



# **Ascorbate Oxidase Microplate Assay Kit User Manual**

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Detection and Quantification of Ascorbate Oxidase (AAO) Activity in  
Tissue extracts, Cell lysate Samples.

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## I. INTRODUCTION

Ascorbate oxidase (AAO) is an apoplastic enzyme involved in metabolism of plant ascorbate (AA). Ascorbate (AA) plays a key role in defense against oxidative stress and is particularly abundant in photosynthetic tissues. Over 90% of the ascorbate is localized in the cytoplasm, but a substantial proportion is exported to the apoplast. The assay is initiated with the enzymatic oxidation of AsA by AAO. AsA can be measured at a colorimetric readout at 265 nm.

## II. KIT COMPONENTS

Component	Volume	Storage
96-Well UV Microplate	1 plate	
Assay Buffer	30 ml x 4	4 °C
Reaction Buffer	20 ml x 1	4 °C
Substrate	Powder x 1	-20 °C
Positive Control	Powder x 1	-20 °C
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**Note:**

**Substrate:** add 1 ml Reaction Buffer to dissolve before use.

**Positive Control:** add 1 ml distilled water to dissolve before use, then add 0.5 ml into 0.5 ml distilled water, mix.

## III. MATERIALS REQUIRED BUT NOT PROVIDED

1. Microplate reader to read absorbance at 265 nm
2. Distilled water
3. Pipettor, multi-channel pipettor
4. Pipette tips
5. Mortar
6. Centrifuge
7. Timer
8. Ice

#### IV. SAMPLE PREPARATION

##### 1. For cell and bacteria samples

Collect cell or bacteria into centrifuge tube, discard the supernatant after centrifugation, add 1 ml Assay buffer for  $5 \times 10^6$  cell or bacteria, sonicate (with power 20%, sonication 3s, interval 10s, repeat 30 times); centrifuged at 16000g 4 °C for 10 minutes, take the supernatant into a new centrifuge tube and keep it on ice for detection.

##### 2. For tissue samples

Weigh out 0.1 g tissue, homogenize with 1 ml Assay buffer on ice, centrifuged at 16000g 4 °C for 10 minutes, take the supernatant into a new centrifuge tube and keep it on ice for detection.

## V. ASSAY PROCEDURE

Warm the Reaction Buffer to room temperature before use.

Add following reagents into the microplate:

Reagent	Sample	Positive Control
Reaction Buffer	180 $\mu$ l	180 $\mu$ l
Substrate	10 $\mu$ l	10 $\mu$ l
Sample	10 $\mu$ l	--
Positive Control	--	10 $\mu$ l
Mix, measured at 265 nm and record the absorbance of 10th second and 130th second.		

## VI. CALCULATION

**Unit Definition:** One unit of AAO is the amount of enzyme that will oxidize 1  $\mu\text{mol}$  AsA per minute.

1. According to the protein concentration of sample

$$\begin{aligned} \text{AAO (U/mg)} &= (\text{OD}_{\text{Sample}(10\text{S})} - \text{OD}_{\text{Sample}(130\text{S})}) / (\epsilon \times d) \times V_{\text{Total}} \times 10^6 / (V_{\text{Sample}} \times C_{\text{Protein}}) / T \\ &= 0.308 \times (\text{OD}_{\text{Sample}(10\text{S})} - \text{OD}_{\text{Sample}(130\text{S})}) / C_{\text{Protein}} \end{aligned}$$

2. According to the weight of sample

$$\begin{aligned} \text{AAO (U/g)} &= (\text{OD}_{\text{Sample}(10\text{S})} - \text{OD}_{\text{Sample}(130\text{S})}) / (\epsilon \times d) \times V_{\text{Total}} \times 10^6 / (W \times V_{\text{Sample}} / V_{\text{Assay}}) / T \\ &= 0.308 \times (\text{OD}_{\text{Sample}(10\text{S})} - \text{OD}_{\text{Sample}(130\text{S})}) / W \end{aligned}$$

3. According to the quantity of cells or bacteria

$$\begin{aligned} \text{AAO (U/10}^4\text{)} &= (\text{OD}_{\text{Sample}(10\text{S})} - \text{OD}_{\text{Sample}(130\text{S})}) / (\epsilon \times d) \times V_{\text{Total}} \times 10^6 / (N \times V_{\text{Sample}} / V_{\text{Assay}}) / T \\ &= 0.308 \times (\text{OD}_{\text{Sample}(10\text{S})} - \text{OD}_{\text{Sample}(130\text{S})}) / N \end{aligned}$$

$\epsilon$ : molar extinction coefficient,  $5.42 \times 10^4 \text{ L/mol/cm}$ ;

$d$ : the optical path of 96-Well microplate, 0.6 cm;

$C_{\text{Protein}}$ : the protein concentration, mg/ml;

$W$ : the weight of sample, g;

$N$ : the quantity of cell or bacteria,  $N \times 10^4$ ;

$V_{\text{Total}}$ : the total volume of the enzymatic reaction, 0.2 ml;

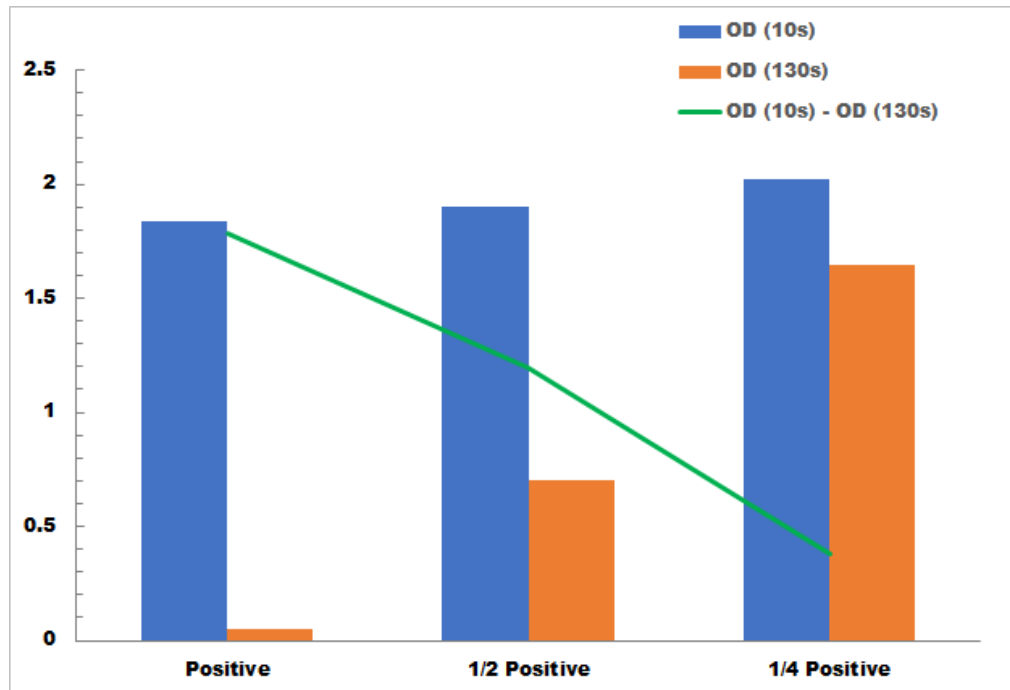
$V_{\text{Sample}}$ : the volume of sample, 0.01 ml;

$V_{\text{Assay}}$ : the volume of Assay buffer, 1 ml;

$T$ : the reaction time, 2 minutes.

## VII. TYPICAL DATA

The standard curve is for demonstration only. A standard curve must be run with each assay.



Positive Control reaction in 96-well plate assay with decreasing the concentration

## VIII. TECHNICAL SUPPORT

For troubleshooting, information or assistance, please go online to [www.cohesionbio.com](http://www.cohesionbio.com) or contact us at [techsupport@cohesionbio.com](mailto:techsupport@cohesionbio.com)

## IX. NOTES