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β-N-Acetylhexosaminidase contents

| Catalog # | Description | Size | M.W. | Purity | рН | Storage |
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| GE1101 | β- <i>N</i> -Acetylhexosaminidase | 500 units, lyophilized | 51,020 | > 95% | 6.0-8.0 optimal | -20°C, up to 12 months |
| BA0801 | 10X Reaction Buffer 4 | 1 mL | | | 7.5 | 4 to 25°C |

This product is for research use only and not for resale or for any use in the manufacture of a therapeutic or for any diagnostic purpose

Product description: This product is recombinant β-*N*-Acetylhexosaminidase (glycosyl hydrolase family GH20; E.C. 3.2.1.52), cloned from *Streptococcus pneumoniae* and expressed in *Escherichia coli* with an *N*-terminal 8xHis tag. The 8xHis tag may be removed by digestion with FasTEVTM (Cat #GE0501), a TEV protease with enhanced stability and catalytic activity.

This product catalyzes the hydrolysis of the non-reducing terminal *N*-Acetylglucosamine (GlcNAc) and *N*-Acetylgalactosamine (GalNAc) from oligosaccharides and glycoprotein substrates.





This product does not contain any detectable activities of proteases or other glycosidases.

Unit definition: One unit is defined as the amount of enzyme required to catalyze the release of 1 nmole p-nitrophenol (pNP) from p-nitrophenyl-N-acetyl- β -D-glucosaminide (pNP-GlcNAc) in 1 min at 37°C in 100 μ L 1X Reaction Buffer 4 (50 mM Tris-HCl, 100 mM NaCl, pH 7.5).

Product reconstitution: Dissolve the lyophilized product in $100~\mu L$ molecular grade water to make a 5,000 units/mL (Cat #GE1101) solution in enzyme storage buffer (50 mM Tris-HCl, 100~mM NaCl, pH 7.5). Once reconstituted, store at 4°C for up to 7 days or -20°C for up to 3 months. Aliquoting is recommended to avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

Activity assay: One unit of enzyme is added to $100~\mu L$ of $500~\mu M$ pNP-GlcNAc in 1X Reaction Buffer 4 at 37° C, followed by real-time measurements of absorption at 405~nm every 10~s for 120~s.

Suggested protocol for removal of GlcNAc or GalNAc from oligosaccharides:

1. Mix the following components in a microfuge tube:

Oligosaccharide (e.g., NatGlycan Cat #NG-CM-012) $10 \mu g$ 10 X Reaction Buffer (Cat #BA0801) $10 \mu L$

β-N-Acetylhexosaminidase (Cat #GE1101) 2.0 μL (10 units) Molecular grade water to 100 μL final volume

- 2. Incubate at 37°C for 1 to 4 h.
- 3. Analyze reaction products by mass spectrometry or other method to monitor the progress of the reaction. If a glycoprotein is used as the substrate, Western Blot may be used to determine the extent of reaction completion. Suggested 1° probes for Western blot analysis: GlcNAc or GalNAc-specific lectin (e.g., biotinylated GSL II).

Reference: Clarke VA, et al. J Biol Chem. 1995 Apr 14;270(15):8805-14. PMID: 7721787