

# DSMZ B-FAST ELISA

# **Detection of plant viruses**

This kit (96 tests) contains a frame with 12 8-well strips, 2 vials with each 1.4 ml capture antibody, 2 vials with each 1.4 ml detection antibody and this protocol.

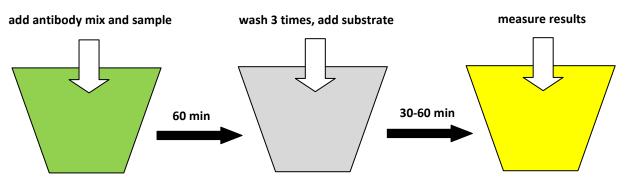
#### **Protocol:**

- 1: Mix equal amounts of capture and detection antibody, add 50 μl of this antibody mix to each well. (e.g. mix 0.2 ml of capture and 0.2 ml of detection antibody for one strip of 8 wells)
- 2: Add 50 μl aliquots of the test sample extracted in sample buffer to the wells (ideally in duplicate). Incubate for 60 minutes at 37°C. (Optional: Shaking at 100 rpm improves sensitivity!)

(Note: If not all strips are required [less than 96 samples], please remove theses strips and keep them in the sealed aluminum bag at 4°C until use! Do not forget to keep the frame for future use!)

- 3: Wash strips three times with PBS-Tween with an ELISA plate washer (or using a wash bottle).
- 4: Add 100 μl of freshly prepared substrate (10 mg p-nitrophenyl phosphate [e.g. Sigma] dissolved in 10 ml of substrate buffer) to each well. Incubate for 30-60 min at 37°C. (Optional: Shaking at 100 rpm improves sensitivity!)
- 5: Assess results by spectrophotometric measurement of absorbance at 405 nm.

# **Schematic protocol:**



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#### Advantages of the DSMZ B-Fast ELISA:

- Convenient protocol with only very few steps and hands-on time!
- No antibody dilution required!
- Compatible with standard ELISA buffers (sample buffer, PBS-Tween wash buffer, substrate)
  and equipment!
- Reliable results after just two hours!

#### **Buffers required for B-Fast ELISA:**

#### PBS (pH 7.4) phosphate buffered saline

8.0 g sodium chloride (NaCl)

0.2 g monobasic potassium phosphate (KH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>)

1.15 g dibasic sodium phosphate (Na<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub>)

0.2 g potassium chloride (KCI)

0.2 g sodium azide (NaN<sub>3</sub>)

Dissolve in 900 ml  $H_2O$ , adjust pH to 7.4 with NaOH or HCl and make up to 1 l.

## PBS-Tween (PBST)

PBS + 0.5 ml Tween 20 per litre

#### Sample buffer (pH 7.4)

PBST + 2% PVP (e.g. Serva PVP-15 polyvinyl pyrrolidone)

### Substrate buffer

97 ml diethanolamine

600 ml H<sub>2</sub>O

0.2 g sodium azide (NaN<sub>3</sub>)

Adjust to pH 9.8 with HCl and make up to 1 liter with H<sub>2</sub>O

#### Important note:

The ELISA strips and antibodies of the DSMZ B-Fast ELISA kit are not compatible with other plates/strips or antibodies!

#### **Questions?**

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