Sucrose Assay Kit

(Sigma, Product code SCA-20)

Sucrose extraction

- add 400 ul 80% (v/v) Ethanol to 100 mg frozen ground tissue
- incubate for 15 min at 78°C on a thermomixer
- centrifuge at 14000 rpm, 5 min, 4°C
- transfer supernatant to a new tube (2 ml)
- re-extract pellet for two times with 500 ul 50% (v/v) Ethanol (same procedure)
- pool all subfractions and evaporate samples
- resuspend in 1 ml water
- dilute until 100-1000 ug sucrose/ml (Assay-Result: $\Delta A_{340} = 0.03-1.6$)

Assay

- Standard curve: prepare 1mg/ml sucrose solution dilute to 100 ug, 200 ug, 500 ug, 800 ug, sucrose
- prepare the following blanks:

Tube	Sucrose Assay reagent (ml)	Sample Volume (ml)	Water (ml)
Sucrose Assay blank	0.1		0.1
Sample blank		0.1	0.1
Glucose Assay blank			0.2
Test	0.1	0.1	

- mix and incubate for 10 min at room temperature
- add 2ml of the Glucose Assay Reagent to each tube
- mix and incubate for 15 min at RT
- Measure absorbance at 340 nm

for 1/10 of volume

Tube	Sucrose Assay	Sample Volume	Water (ml)
	reagent (ml)	(ml)	
Sucrose Assay	0.01		0.01
blank			
Sample blank		0.01	0.01
Glucose Assay			0.02
blank			
Test	0.01	0.01	

- mix and incubate for 10 min at room temperature
 add 0.2ml of the Glucose Assay Reagent to each tube
 mix and incubate for 15 min at RT
- Measure absorbance at 340 nm