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## INSTRUCTIONS

# ProFoldin Penicillin Drug Stability Test Kit

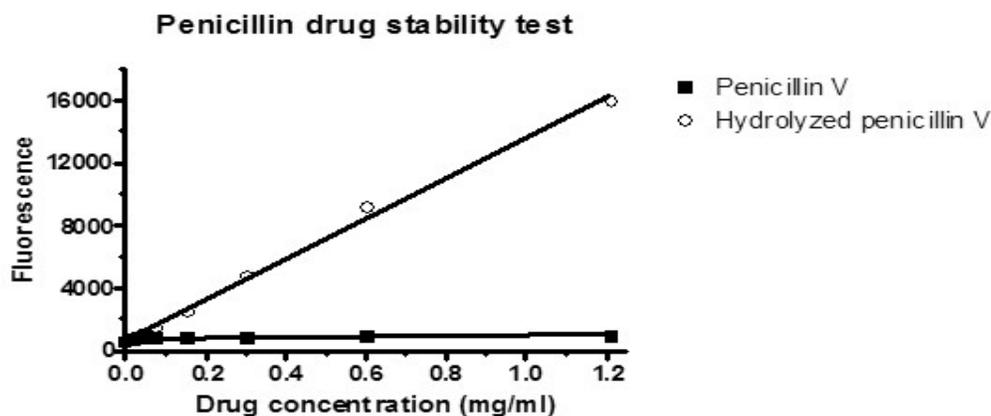
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**Catalog Number**                      **PST100**

## INTRODUCTION

Penicillin drugs such as Penicillin G and Penicillin V can be hydrolyzed to form penicilloic acid during storage or transportation due to various reasons including the following: (1) the temperature is too high; (2) the solution pH is not optimal for stabilization; or (3) the sample contains lactamase. The hydrolyzed penicillin drug molecule is thermodynamically more stable than the non-hydrolyzed one but completely inactive in antimicrobial functions.

The Penicillin Drug Stability Test Kit (Catalog number PST100) provides a reagent that quickly detects the hydrolyzed form of penicillin drugs including the commonly used Penicillin G and Penicillin V. The assay reagent, Dye PST, interacts with alpha-amino acids which are the hydrolysis products of penicillin drugs and generates fluorescence at 535 nm with excitation wavelength at 485 nm. The background signal with the non-hydrolyzed penicillin drugs is very low. The kit can be used to detect hydrolysis of penicillin drugs. It can also be used to detect the lactamase activity using penicillin as a substrate.



Each kit (Catalog number PST100) contains 0.5 ml of the 10 x PST dye. It is for 100 assays using 96-well plates or micro-cuvettes.

## PROTOCOL

The penicillin drug solution and buffer should not contain EDTA, DTT, amino acids or other strong metal chelators or thiols.

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## Standard curve for hydrolyzed and non-hydrolyzed Penicillin V

- (1) Prepare 2-fold serial dilution of Penicillin V and its hydrolysis product, phenoxymethylpenicilloic acid, starting from a 1 mg/ml solution in 10 mM HEPES buffer, pH 8.0. Prepare the 1 x PST dye by dilution of the 10 x PST dye 10-fold with water. Note: Phenoxymethylpenicilloic acid is commercially available.
- (2) Mix 100 µl of the drug sample with 50 µl of the 1 x PST dye for 2 min.
- (3) Read the fluorescence at 535 nm with excitation at 485 nm. Plot the correlation between the drug concentration and fluorescence values.

## Data Analysis

Plot the fluorescence intensity **F<sub>c</sub>** and the hydrolyzed penicillin concentration [**Hydrolyzed penicillin**] to generate the linear standard curve.

$$F_c = a [\text{Hydrolyzed penicillin}] + b$$

Where the **F<sub>c</sub>** values are from experimental data, the **a** and **b** values are from the linear fitting between the **F<sub>c</sub>** values and the Hydrolyzed penicillin concentrations.

## Detection of Penicillin V hydrolysis

Follow the same procedure to measure the fluorescence intensity **F<sub>c</sub>** values from the unknown samples. Calculate the hydrolyzed penicillin concentrations in the unknown samples using the **F<sub>c</sub>** values from the unknown samples and the **a** and **b** values from the standard curve.

$$[\text{Hydrolyzed penicillin}] = (F_c - b) / a$$

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