

Molecular cloning of a gene encoding the sucrose phosphorylase from *L. mesenteroides* B-742 and the expression in *Escherichia coli*

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Abstract

Leuconostoc mesenteroides NRRL B-742 sucrose phosphorylase (SPase) gene, 742sp, was isolated and characterized. It is composed of 1,458 bp nucleotides and encodes a 1149SPase of 485 amino acid residues with a calculated molecular mass of 55.3 kDa. It has unique C-terminal amino acid sequences (⁴³⁹TVETPSEHDIKITRTDHS GDNIAILLANAKTRTFVITAMGKTVL QNK⁴⁸⁵). 742sp was expressed in *Escherichia coli* and the purified 742SPase specific activity was 7.94 U/mg for sucrose. The optimum temperature and pH were 37°C at pH 6.7 and it showed K_m of 3.11 mM for sucrose. It had a broad range of acceptor specificity and transferred the glucosyl moiety of sucrose or glucose-1-phosphate to various acceptors.

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