

Innovative biological measurement system for the detection of progestogenic activity in water

The biological test system **A-YPS** is an effect-directed, yeast cell-based assay for a highly sensitive detection of progestogenic activity in all types of aqueous samples including eluates and extracts. The **A-YPS** measures the cumulative progestagenic activity of a sample in a fast, easy, economic, and reliable manner. It is therefore ideal for food and environmental analysis.

MEASUREMENT PRINCIPLE

The **A-YPS** uses the salt- and temperature-tolerant yeast *Arxula* adeninivorans as test organism, in which the human gene for the progesterone receptor B (hPR-B) and a reporter gene have been integrated. The binding of progestagenic substances to the receptor will subsequently activate the production of the reporter enzyme phytase. The amount of the reporter enzyme produced correlates with the total concentration of progestagnic active substances in the sample After addition of a chromogenic substrate, the reporter enzyme concentrationcan can be measured photometrically. Progesterone (PR) is used as reference standard for the calibration.







▲ Schematic reaction of phytase: Cleavage of *p*-nitrophenylphosphate into *p*-nitrophenolate (yellow)

ADVANTAGES OF THE A-YPS

- Short processing time
- Easy handling
- Minimal effort for sample preparation
- No cell disruption necessary
- No sterile workplace required

Environmental monitoring of progestagenic activity in

APPLICATIONS

- wastewater, ground and surface water
- Pharmaceutical and cosmetic industry
- Quality control of ultrapure, drinking and mineral water



LABORATORY REQUIREMENTS

 BSL1 laboratory (GMOs)
Multichannel pipette (nominal vol. 100 μl)
Temperature-controlled shaker (T = 86 °F, Orbit at least 3 mm)
Microlitre/ Microplate centrifuge
Photometer for microtiter plates (λ = 405 and 630 nm)

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Duration of Assay	approx. 26 h
Number of Samples (PEQ)	max. 40
Validation	in-house
Calibration Range	0 – 150 ng/L Progesterone
Limit of Detection	6.6 ng/L Progesterone

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QuoData CERTIFICATE

The **A-YPS** test kit has been awarded the QuoData certificate of matrix comprehensive validation. This guarantees continuously high quality and reliability of our test kits.





The validation of the **A-YPS** was carried out as an in-house validation study with a set of eight environmental samples.

The used samples set included samples with different sample characteristics and matrix such as well and surface water as well as effluents of a sewage treatment plant. The planning and evaluation of the in-house validation study was realized by QuoData GmbH.

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