

[BCH 322]

*Method of Enzyme Assay*

**1- Discontinuous assay (colorimetric assay)**

**Method**

Type of cuvette used -----

Prepare each tube as follows:

	<b>BLANK</b>	<b>SAMPLE</b>
<b>ALT Reagent</b>	0.5 ml	0.5 ml
Pre-warm at 37 °C for <u>5 minutes</u> and add:		
<b>Distilled Water</b>	0.1 ml	-
<b>Serum Sample</b>	-	0.1 ml
Mix, and incubate at 37 °C for exactly <u>30 minutes</u> , and add:		
<b>Color Reagent (DNPH)</b>	0.5 ml	0.5 ml
Mix, and return at 37 °C for exactly <u>10 minutes</u> , then add:		
<b>Color Developer (NaOH)</b>	5.0 ml	5.0 ml
Mix, and return to 37 °C for exactly <u>5 minutes</u> . Read absorbance of all tubes at 546nm against blank.		

**Result**

Absorbance at 546 nm = .....

ALT (SGPT) activity of serum sample (from graph)= .....U/L

**2- Continuous assay (UV/ kinetics)**

**Method**

Type of cuvette used -----

Prepare the following:

<b>ALT Reagent</b>	3 ml
Pre-warm at 37°C for 3 minutes and add	
<b>Serum Sample</b>	0.2 ml
Mix and incubated at 37 °C for 1 minute, then read absorbance (at 340 nm against distilled water) every minute for 3 minutes) and determine $\Delta A/\text{min}$	

**Choose the following on the spectrophotometer:**

2) Applications → 2) Simple Kinetics → wave length (340 nm) → 1) Seconds → Duration (180 sec = 3 min) → Intervals (60 sec= 1 min) → Print Data Table (off) → Press start (2 times)

**Result**

<i>Time</i>	<i>Absorbance 340nm</i>		<i><math>\Delta A/\text{min} = ((A1-A2)+(A2-A3))/2</math></i>
<i>1 min</i>	<i>A1</i>		
<i>2 min</i>	<i>A2</i>		
<i>3 min</i>	<i>A3</i>		

**Calculation**

ALT Activity ( U/L) =  $\Delta A/\text{min} \times 1768$

ALT Activity = .....U/L