# FT-Raman spectroscopic analysis of enhanced activity of supercritical carbon dioxide treated bacterial alpha-amylase

#### **OBJETIVE**

Employ FT-Raman spectroscopy to study changes in the water associated with the activity enhanced enzyme. This would allow confirmation of enhanced specific activity of the bacterial  $\alpha$ -amylase, post SC-CO<sub>2</sub> treatment.

## SAMPLE PREPARATION

Three sets of 2 mg sample of lyophilized  $\alpha$ -amylase were subjected to SC-CO $_2$  treatment. Four samples of  $\alpha$ -amylase (control and three samples treated under SC-CO $_2$  conditions) were subjected to FT-Raman analysis.

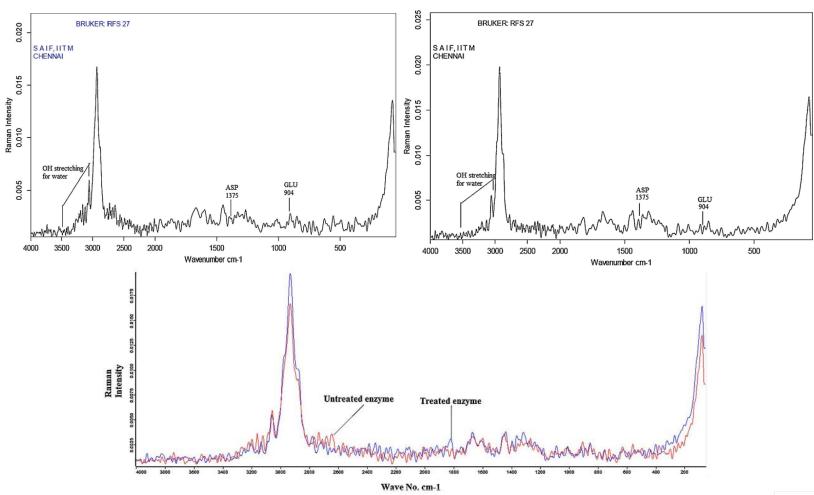
## **DATA ACQUISITION**

The spectra were collected using a Bruker RFS 27 spectrometer emitting at a wavelength of 1064 nm. Laser power was approximately 1000 mW for solid samples. The spectra obtained were averages of 100 scans at 2 cm<sup>-1</sup> resolution over the range of 4000–500 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

### CONCLUSION

FT-Raman spectroscopy therefore confirmed enhancement of activity of the bacterial  $\alpha$ -amylase by supercritical carbon dioxide processing.

## REPRESENTATIVE FIGURE AND RESULT



### **REFERENCE**

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