# Analysis of Kinesin 1 and Kinesin 5

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## Background

ScCIN8 Kinesin 5 - antiparallel sliding of Microtubules

Specifically required for maintenance of bipolar spindle

Commercial Kinesin 1 possesses role in vesicular transport

#### Questions

How does ScCIN8P compare to commercial Kinesin 1 in terms of Specific and Enzymatic activities?

## Cloning and Transformation

(Experiment 1.3 & 1.7)

- -Sc-CIN8 fragment was ligated into Bacterial Vector pET24b-HIS
- -Plasmids were transformed into a bacterial strain E. coli DH5a
- -Plated on AMP<sup>100</sup>
- -BLR transformation

## Results from Gel Analysis



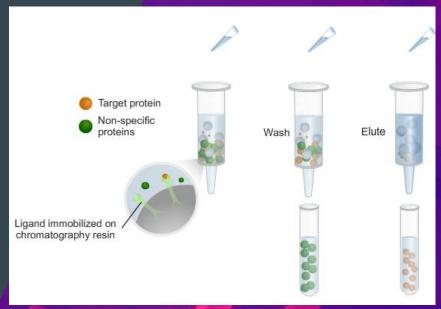
Digestion with BamHI and HindIII

-Lane 5
Why did we choose it?
Why are there three bands?

Did we correctly insert Sc-CIN8 vector into pET24b plasmid?

## Expression & purification (Exp. 3.4-3.5)

- -Protein purification of Cin8 using columns
- -Assay of flow through, washes, and elution fractions

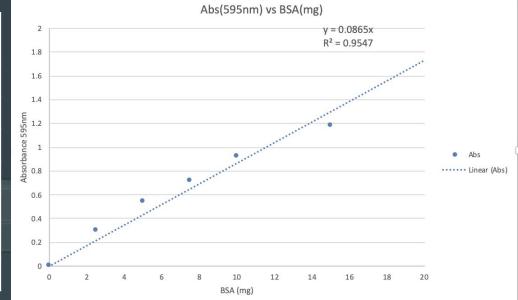


# Bradford Assay (Exp 3.5)

- -Finding protein concentration using standard curve
- -Pooled(E2+E3+E4)

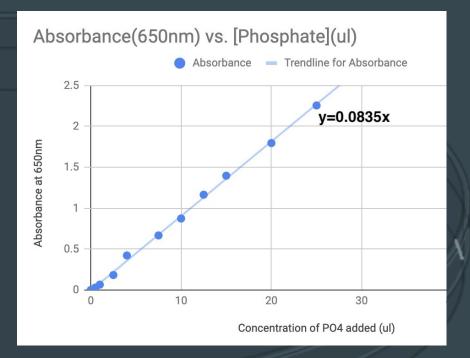
y=0.0865x

Fraction	Absorbance	ug protein	Protein concentration ug/ul
FT	1.27	14.7	14.7
E1	.165	1.9	0.38
E2	.448	5.2	1.04
E3	.246	2.8	0.57
E4	.222	2.6	0.51
E5	.182	2.1	0.42
Pool	.215	2.5	0.50

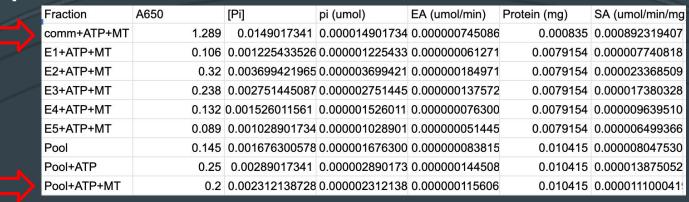


## Malachite Green Assay

- -Establishing ε (Experiment 3.2) Measured ε=83.5mM Class ε=84.2mM
- -Calculating Pi Concentration using A=εCl Enzymatic Activity umol/min Specific Activity umol/min/mg



## Comparisons

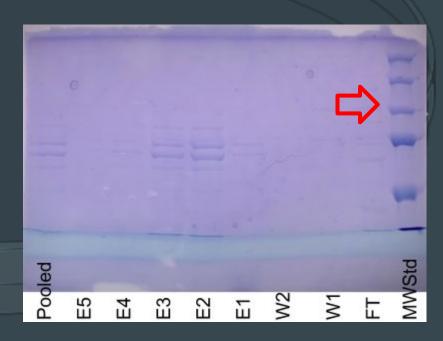


Enzymatic Activity and Specific Activity of Commercial Kinesin 1

Enzymatic Activity and Specific Activity Pooled of Sc-CIN8 Kinesin 5

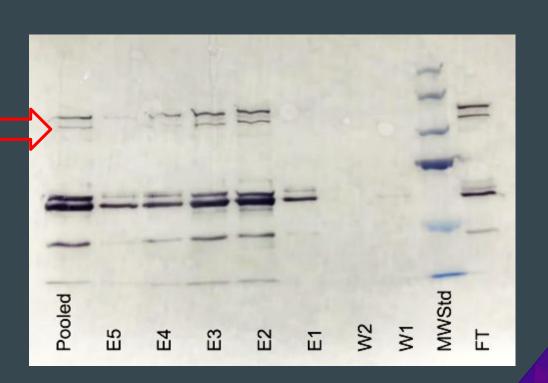
## **COOMASSIE Staining**

- How successful were we with purification?
- -Why are there multiple bands?
- -Size of ScCIN8 is expected to be 119kD
- -Multiple bands denote other proteins



#### Western Blot

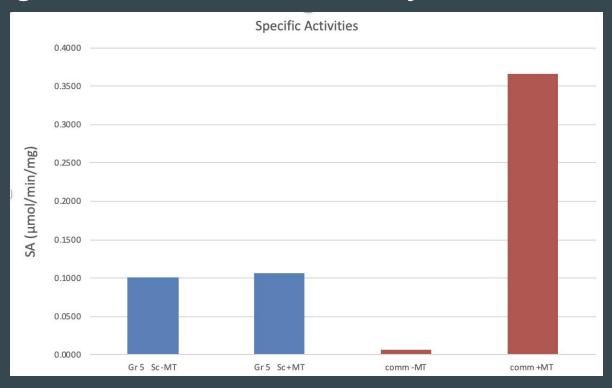
- -Bringing back HIS tag
- -Signal Amplification with Antibodies
- -Western Blot vs. COOMASSIE
- -His Binding of Sheared and Unsheared proteins



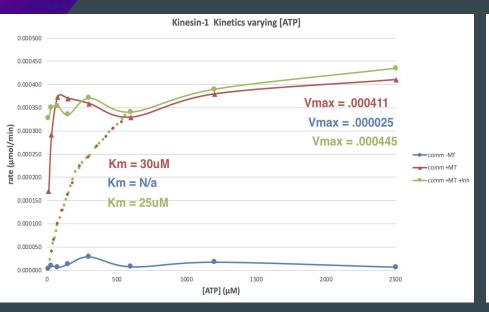
## Comparisons using NADH ATPase Assay

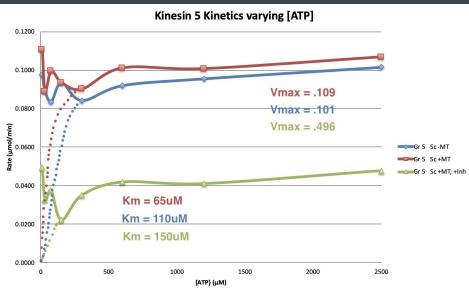
-Kinesin 1 has a much higher specific activity in the presence of Microtubules (.36umol/min/mg) than Kinesin 5 (.11umol/min/mg).

-In the absence of MT, Kinesin 1 has much lower specific activity(.01umol/min/mg) than Kinesin 5(.10umol/min/mg)
-What might this mean?



## Km and Vmax





#### Conclusion

Specific activity and Enzymatic activity

Areas of Improvement

**Future Directions?** 

- -use a different inhibitor and see how Kinesin 5 and Kinesin 1 compares in
- -ADP not an effective inhibitor, we can possibly use "BI8" by Kozielski group which binds a novel pocket of Eg5.
  - -Eg5 inhibitors target Loop 5 of Kinesin 5

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