

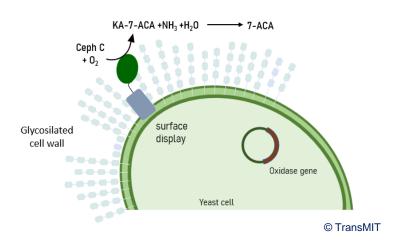
# Yeast Surface Catalysis (YSC) Platform

Cephalosporin, Antibiotic production, 7-ACA, Single-pot conversion, Immobilisation, Surface Display

### DESCRIPTION OF TECHNOLOGY

This technology provides D-Amino Acid Oxidase immobilized via surface display on yeast cells. It can be easily produced and used for the production of the Cephalosporin antibiotics precursor 7-ACA. No undesirable  $H_2O_2$  is produced, and a single-pot conversion is possible saving valuable process time and production costs.

7-aminocephalosporanic acid (7-ACA) is a key precursor in the production of Cephalosporin antibiotics. In the traditional process D-Amino Acid Oxidase (DAAO) deaminates Cephalosporin C (Ceph C) under production of  $H_2O_2$  and  $\alpha$ -ketoadipyl-7-ACA (KA-7-ACA).  $H_2O_2$  causes the degradation of KA-7-ACA into glutaryl 7-ACA (GL-7-ACA). GL-7-ACA Acylase (GA) transforms both compounds into 7-ACA. The main drawbacks of this process are that  $H_2O_2$  causes undesirable byproducts and inactivates the enzymes, and a 2-3 step process is necessary.



The D-Amino Acid Oxidase is immobilized on the surface of a yeast cell via surface display (SD). The modified yeast cells can be easily produced in large amounts and with high oxidase activity. Cells can be used for the conversion of Ceph C to 7-ACA. The yeast surface thereby catches the formed  $H_2O_2$  and hydrolyzes it with its natural catalase. No  $H_2O_2$  production can be detected in the process. The enzymes are stably immobilized on the cells and can easily be separated from the reaction mixture.

### AT A GLANCE ...

#### USP

- Single-pot conversion of cephalosporin C to 7aminocephalosporanic acid
- Instant H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> degradation by native yeast catalase
- Direct expression of enzyme in, and immediate immobilization on the surface during yeast fermentation
- Simple purification of SD cells by filtration of fermentation broth
- Stabilization of SD enzyme through immobilization
- Co-immobilization of Glutaryl 7-ACA Acylase possible

#### **Development Status**

- Proof of Concept
- Developed in cooperation with DirectSens GmbH

#### **Patent Status**

Priority application filed 2020 with the European Patent Office and PCT application 2021.

### ADVANTAGES OVER THE PRIOR ART

- Single-pot conversion of cephalosporin C to 7aminocephalosporanic acid
- Instant H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> degradation by native yeast catalase.
  - No formation of GL-7-ACA
  - No catalase or H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> addition necessary
  - No enzyme activity loss due to oxidation by H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>
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# **COOPERATION OPPORTUNITIES**

On behalf of University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna (BOKU); TransMIT GmbH is looking for collaboration partners and license Agreements (exclusive/non-exclusive) worldwide.

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