

SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL TO

A highly inducible β -galactosidase from *Enterobacter* sp.

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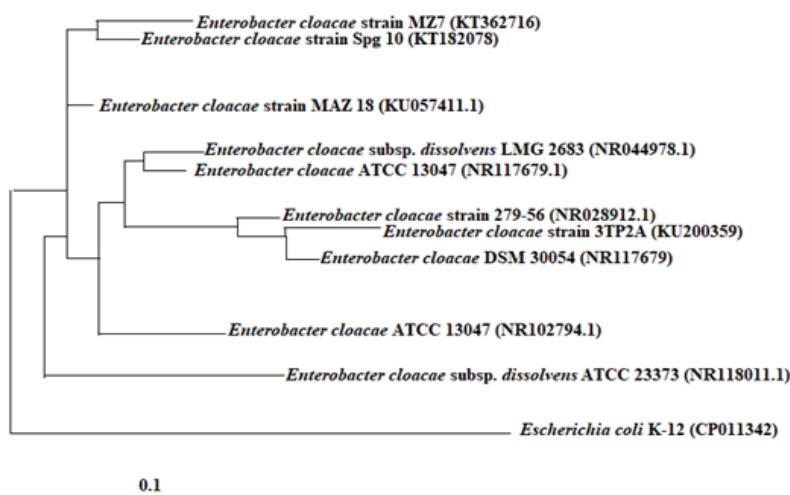


Fig. S-1. Phylogenetic analysis of 16S rRNA gene sequence similarities of *Enterobacter* sp. 3TP2A based on the BLAST result using the neighbor-joining method. Scale bar represents 0.1 substitutions per nucleotide position. The organisms and GeneBank accession numbers of analyzed sequences are given in parenthesis

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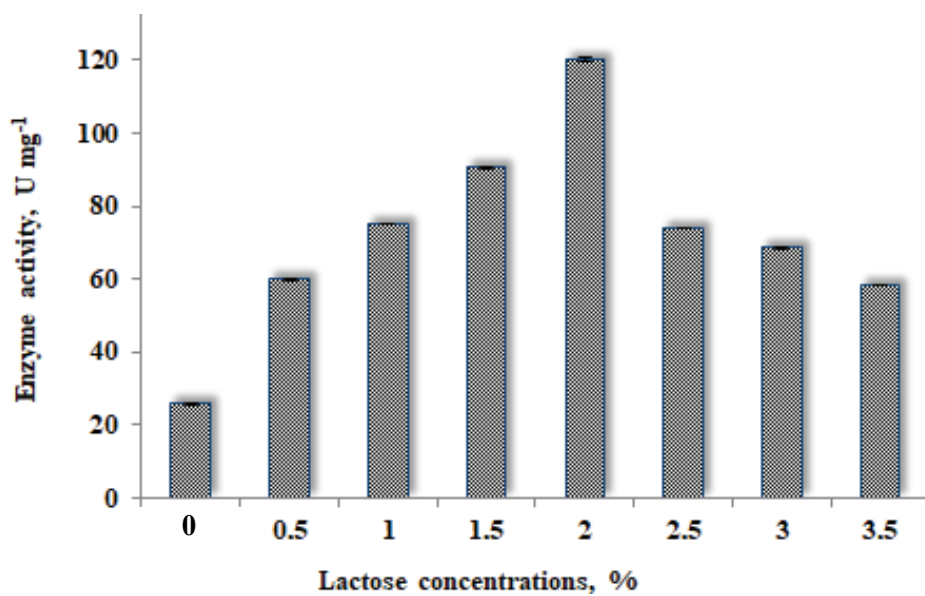


Fig. S-2. Effect of different lactose concentrations on the production of β -galactosidase in *Enterobacter* sp. 3TP2A.

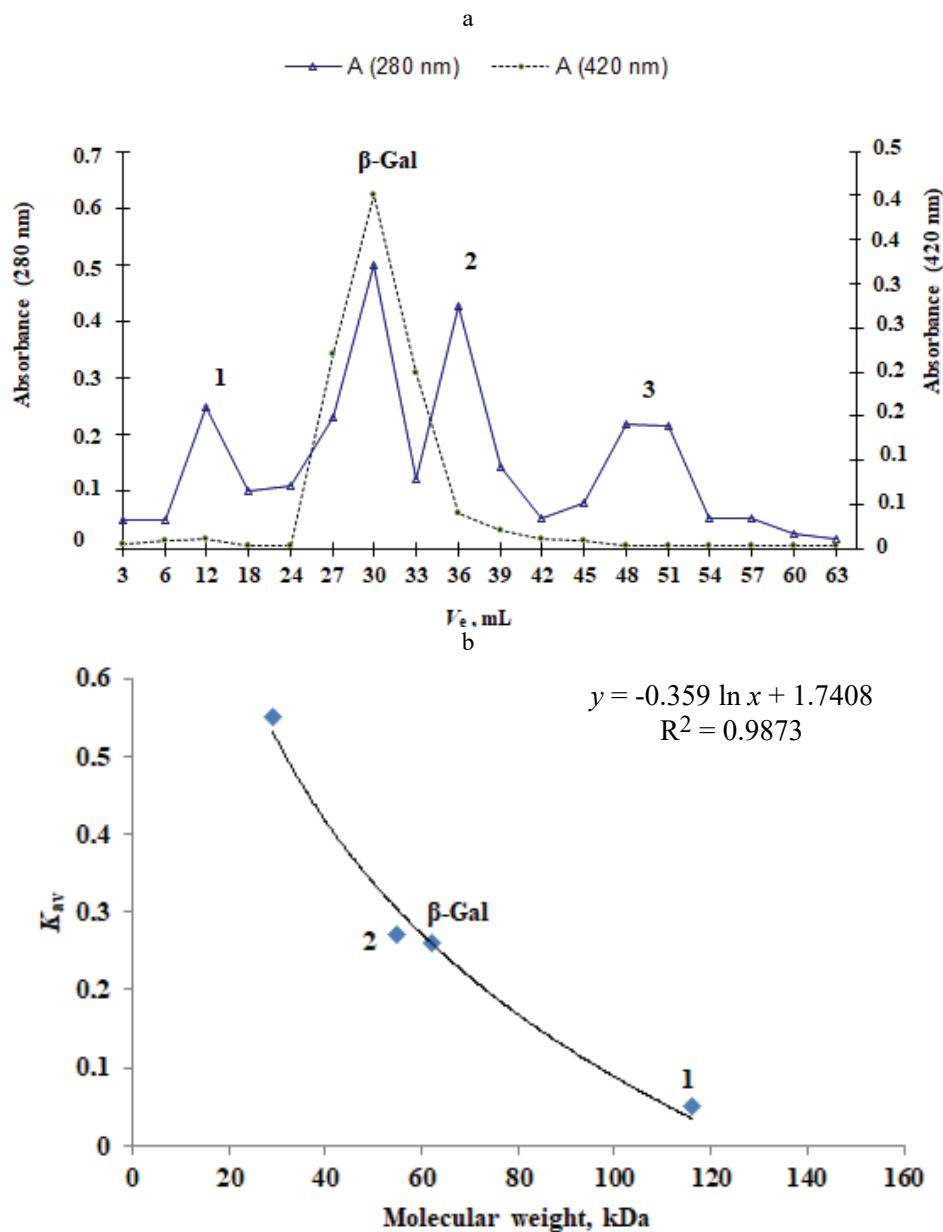


Fig. S-3. Molecular weight estimation by gel filtration chromatography. a) Elution profiles of gel filtration chromatography, b) calibration curve for molecular weight determination using gel filtration chromatography. Standard proteins; (1) β -galactosidase (MW: 116 kDa), (2) α -amylase (MW: 55 kDa), (3) carbonic anhydrase (MW: 29 kDa), (β -Gal) purified β -galactosidase from *Enterobacter* sp. 3TP2A.

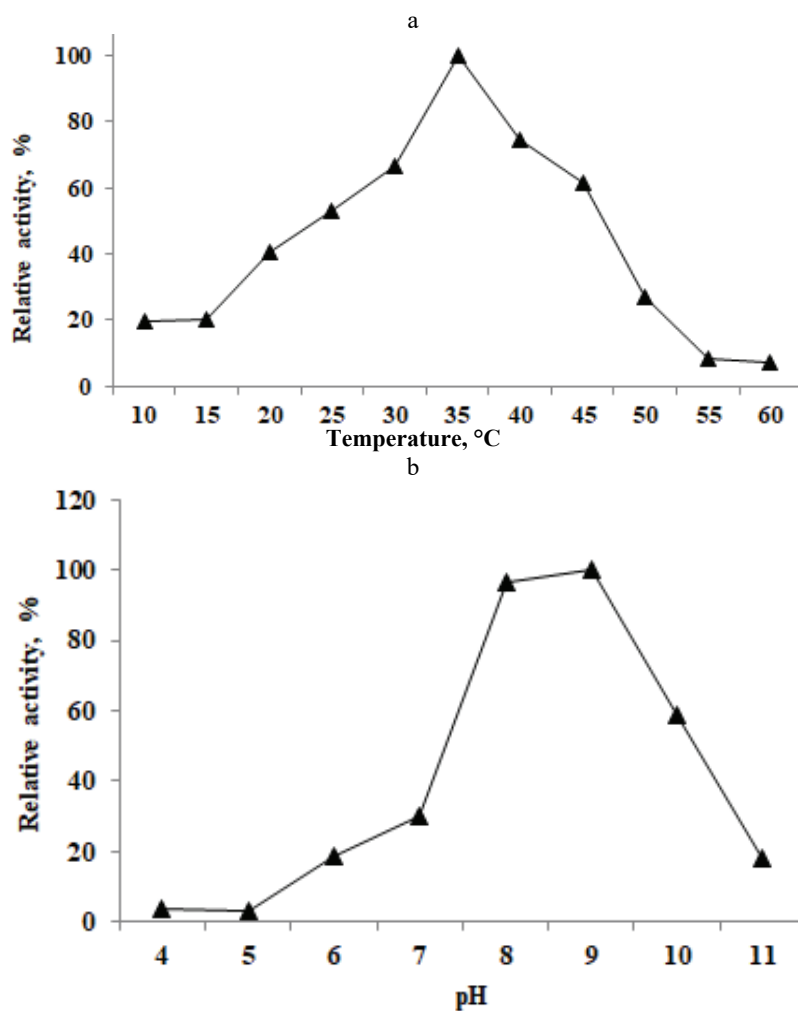


Fig. S-4. Effect of temperature (a) and pH (b) on β -galactosidase activity in *Enterobacter* sp. 3TP2A.

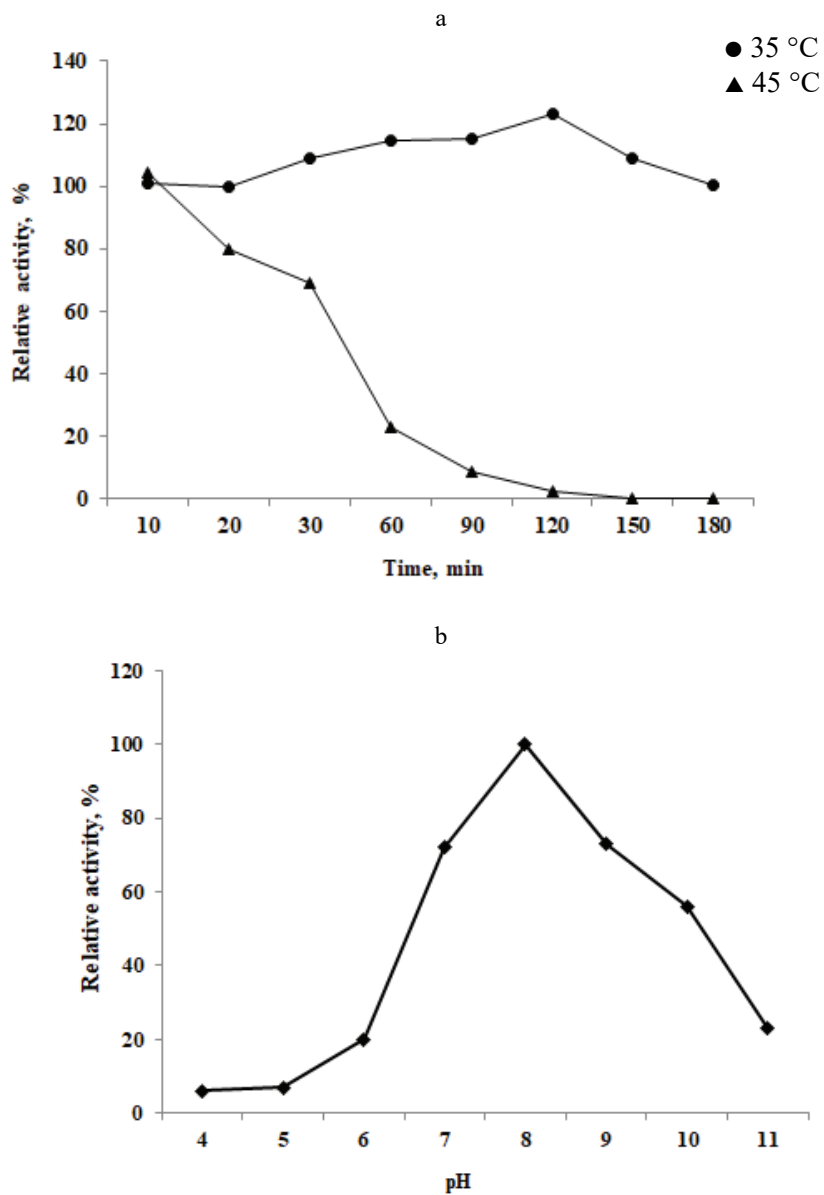


Fig. S-5. Effect of thermal (a) and pH (b) stability on purified β -galactosidase activity from *Enterobacter* sp. 3TP2A.

TABLE S-I. Effect of metal ions on the activity of purified β -galactosidase from *E. cloacae*; ND: not determined

Chemical	Percent activity retained, %				
	Concentration of metal ions, mM				
	1	2	5	10	20
Ca ²⁺	94±2.3	95±1.5	100±1.5	105±1.0	84±2.1
Cu ²⁺	4.1±0.1	0	0	0	0
Mg ²⁺	117±1.5	125±2.3	120±0.3	120±1.5	147±2.3
Zn ²⁺	68±1.8	73±0.1	92±2.9	103±2.7	ND
EDTA	32±0.9	29±0.4	27±2.4	25±0.3	24±0.8

TABLE S-II. Effect of inhibitors on the activity of purified β -galactosidase

Chemical	Percent activity retained, %			
	Concentration of inhibitors, mM			
	1	2	4	8
<i>N</i> -Ethylmaleimide	0	0	0	0
DTT	100±1.5	102±2.1	97±0.3	108±1.9
2-Mercaptoethanol	102±1.2	99±1.4	ND	114±1.5
Iodoacetamide	99±3.02	87±4.3	94±1.4	93±1.7
	Concentration of inhibitors, mM			
	0.2	0.4	1	2
PCMB	13.7±0.4	13.9±0.5	13.08±0.8	13.3±0.2

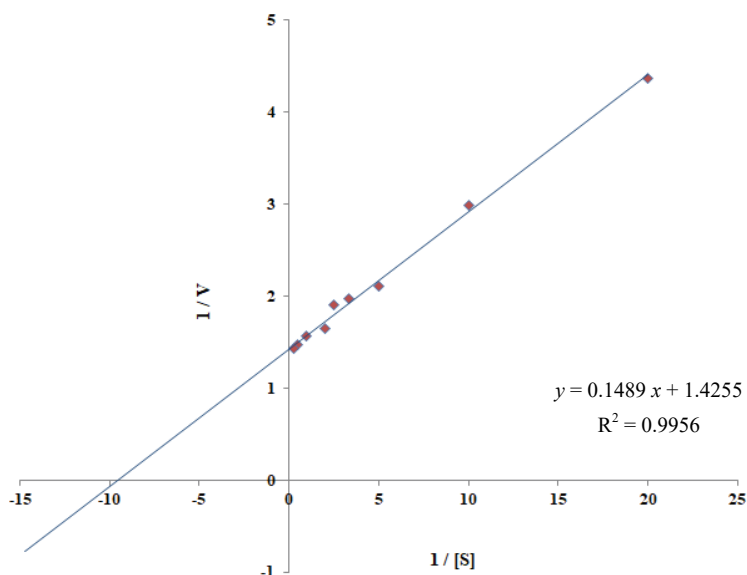


Fig. S-6. Lineweaver–Burk plot of the enzyme using various ONPG concentrations.

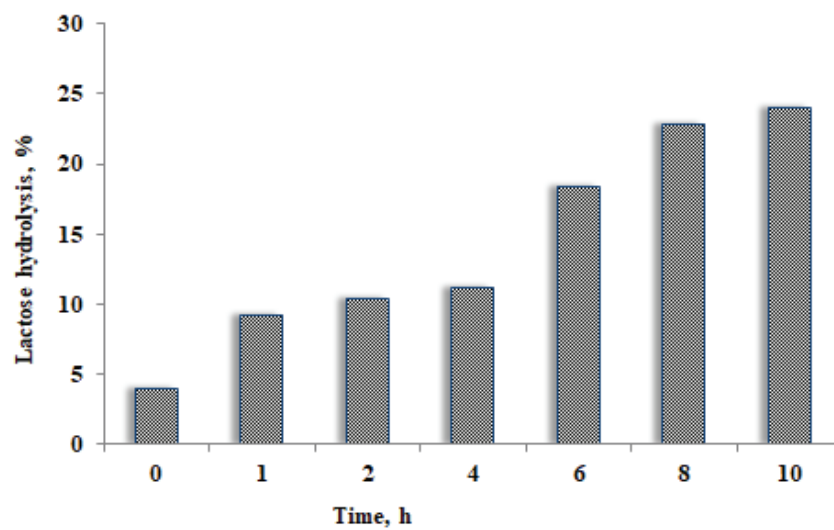


Fig. S-7. Lactose hydrolysis using purified β -galactosidase.