Catalysis by Ribonuclease A is Limited by the Rate of Substrate Association

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| 0.010 M NaCl | | 0.20 M NaCl | | 1.0 M NaCl | |
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| рН | $k_{ m cat}/K_{ m M} \ (10^9 \ { m M}^{-1} { m s}^{-1})$ | pН | $k_{\text{cat}}/K_{\text{M}}$ (10 ⁷ M ⁻¹ s ⁻¹) | pН | $k_{\rm cat}/K_{\rm M} \ (10^5 { m M}^{-1}{ m s}^{-1})$ |
| 3.59 | 1.2 ± 0.2 | 3.54 | 0.25 ± 0.03 | | |
| 3.85 | 1.1 ± 0.1 | 3.77 | 0.77 ± 0.09 | | |
| 4.23 | 2.1 ± 0.1 | 4.13 | 2.6 ± 0.2 | 3.99 | 1.3 ± 0.0 |
| 4.68 | 2.3 ± 0.4 | 4.54 | 3.6 ± 0.2 | 4.37 | 3.6 ± 0.3 |
| 5.09 | 3.2 ± 0.4 | 4.94 | 5.3 ± 0.5 | 4.79 | 6.8 ± 0.2 |
| 5.61 | 2.2 ± 0.3 | 5.44 | 5.0 ± 0.1 | 5.30 | 9.7 ± 0.1 |
| 5.87 | 2.8 ± 0.2 | 5.91 | 4.1 ± 0.1 | 5.99 | 12 ± 1 |
| 6.53 | 3.0 ± 0.3 | 6.59 | 2.1 ± 0.1 | 6.66 | 8.3 ± 0.9 |
| 7.00 | 2.2 ± 0.5 | 6.93 | 1.4 ± 0.1 | 6.97 | 6.1 ± 0.5 |
| 7.43 | 1.2 ± 0.1 | 7.40 | 0.56 ± 0.03 | 7.48 | 2.9 ± 0.0 |
| 7.85 | 0.90 ± 0.05 | 7.89 | 0.26 ± 0.03 | 7.93 | 1.4 ± 0.0 |
| | | 8.33 | 0.088 ± 0.010 | | |
| | | 8.71 | 0.047 ± 0.002 | | |

Table S1: pH Dependence of k_{cat}/K_M Values for the Cleavage of 6-FAM~dArU(dA)₂~ 4-DABCYL by Ribonuclease A at 0.010, 0.20 and 1.0 M NaCl^a

^{*a*} Assays were performed at 23 °C in 1.0 mM buffer containing NaCl. Buffers were sodium formate–HCl (pH 3.54–4.23), sodium acetate–HCl (pH 4.37–5.61), Bistris–NaOH (pH 5.87–6.66), MOPS–NaOH (pH 6.93–7.48), and Tris–HCl (pH 7.85–8.71). Errors are standard deviations of triplicate determinations.