## Production of gamma-aminobutyrate (GABA) in recombinant *Corynebacterium glutamicum* strains

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Gamma-aminobutyrate (GABA) is a non-protein amino acid that can be used in food and pharmaceutical industry. Moreover, recently, application of GABA as a building block chemical is extensively investigated in chemical industry such as use as precursor for the synthesis of 2-pyrrolidone and monomer for the synthesis of nylon 4. Recombinant microorganisms have been constructed for the production of GABA, which include recombinant Escherichia coli and Corynebacterium glutamicum. In this presentation, we report development of recombinant C. glutamicum strains expressing glutamate decarboxylase mutant for the high-level production of GABA from renewable resources. Detailed results will be presented.

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