

[54] **PLASMID HAVING TEMPERATURE  
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[57] **ABSTRACT**

Gene products of plasmid DNA, such as proteins, are  
prepared in high yields by cultivating bacteria carrying  
a plasmid which shows a controlled constant plasmid  
copy number at one temperature and a much higher or  
totally uncontrolled copy number at a different temper-  
ature. The plasmid may be prepared by recombinant  
DNA technique using a cloning vector showing the  
temperature dependent plasmid copy number pattern.

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Fig. 1.

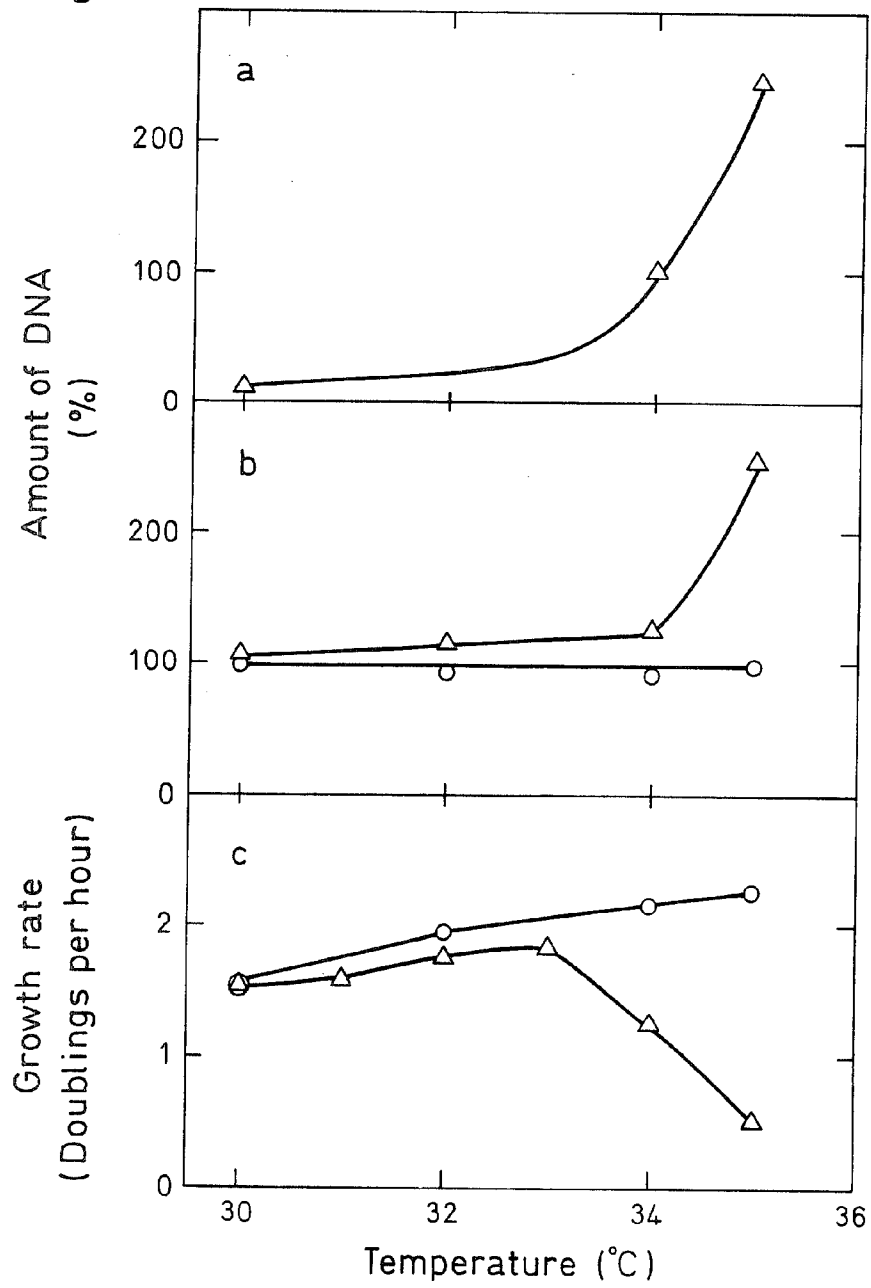


Fig. 2.

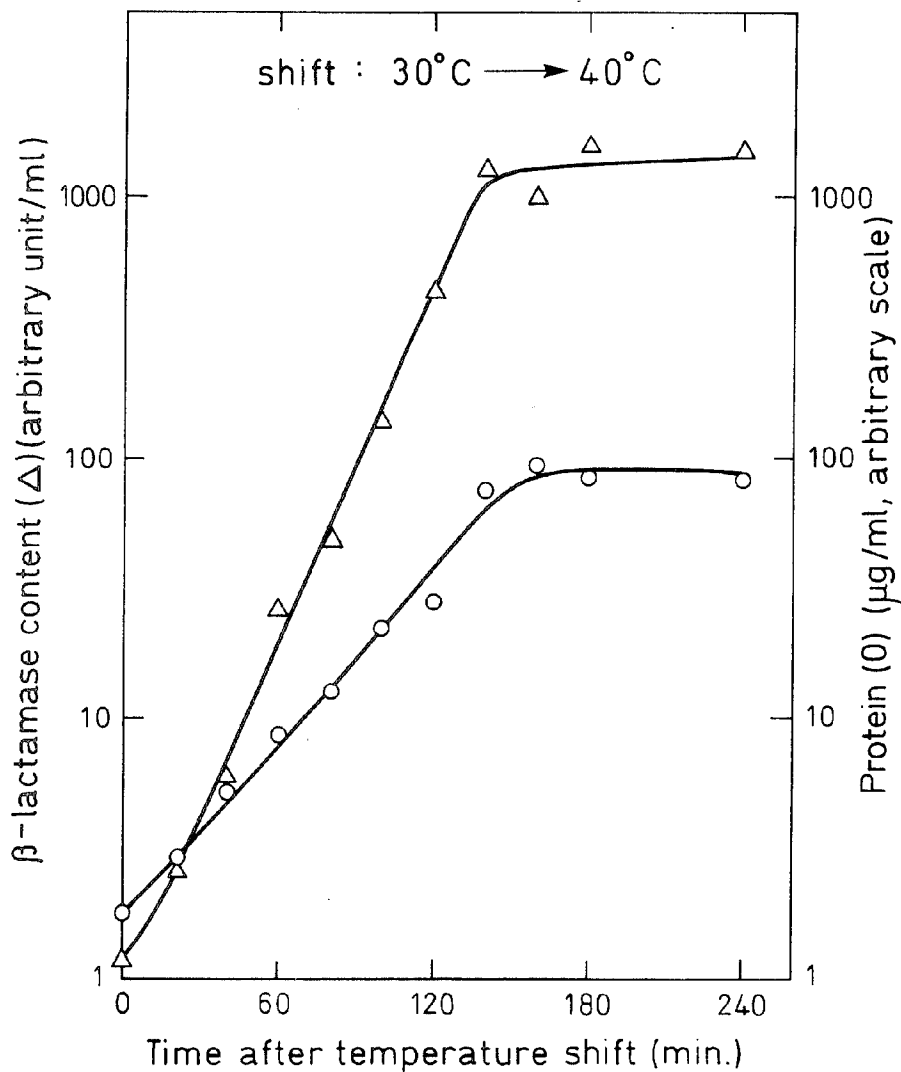
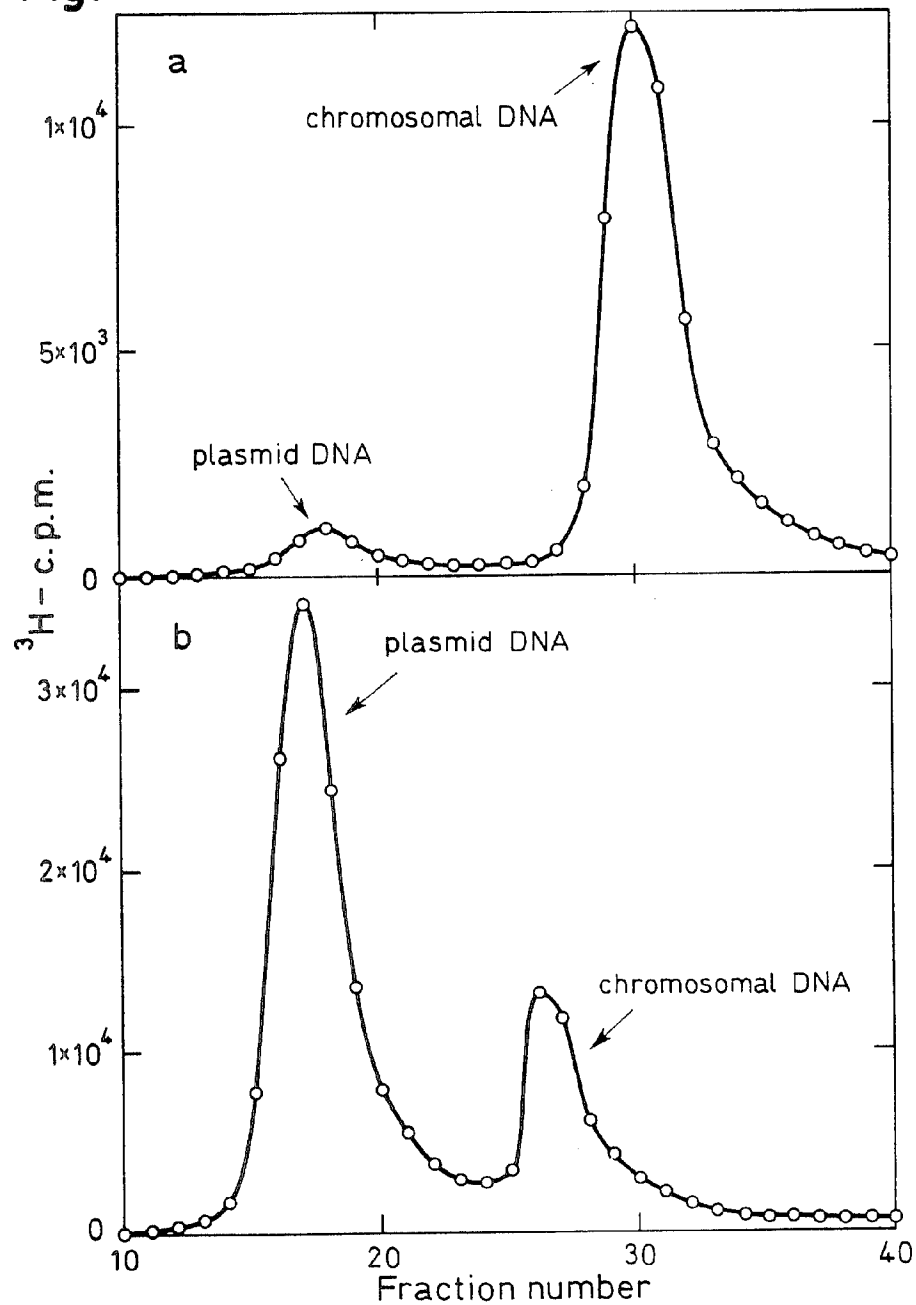


Fig. 3.



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