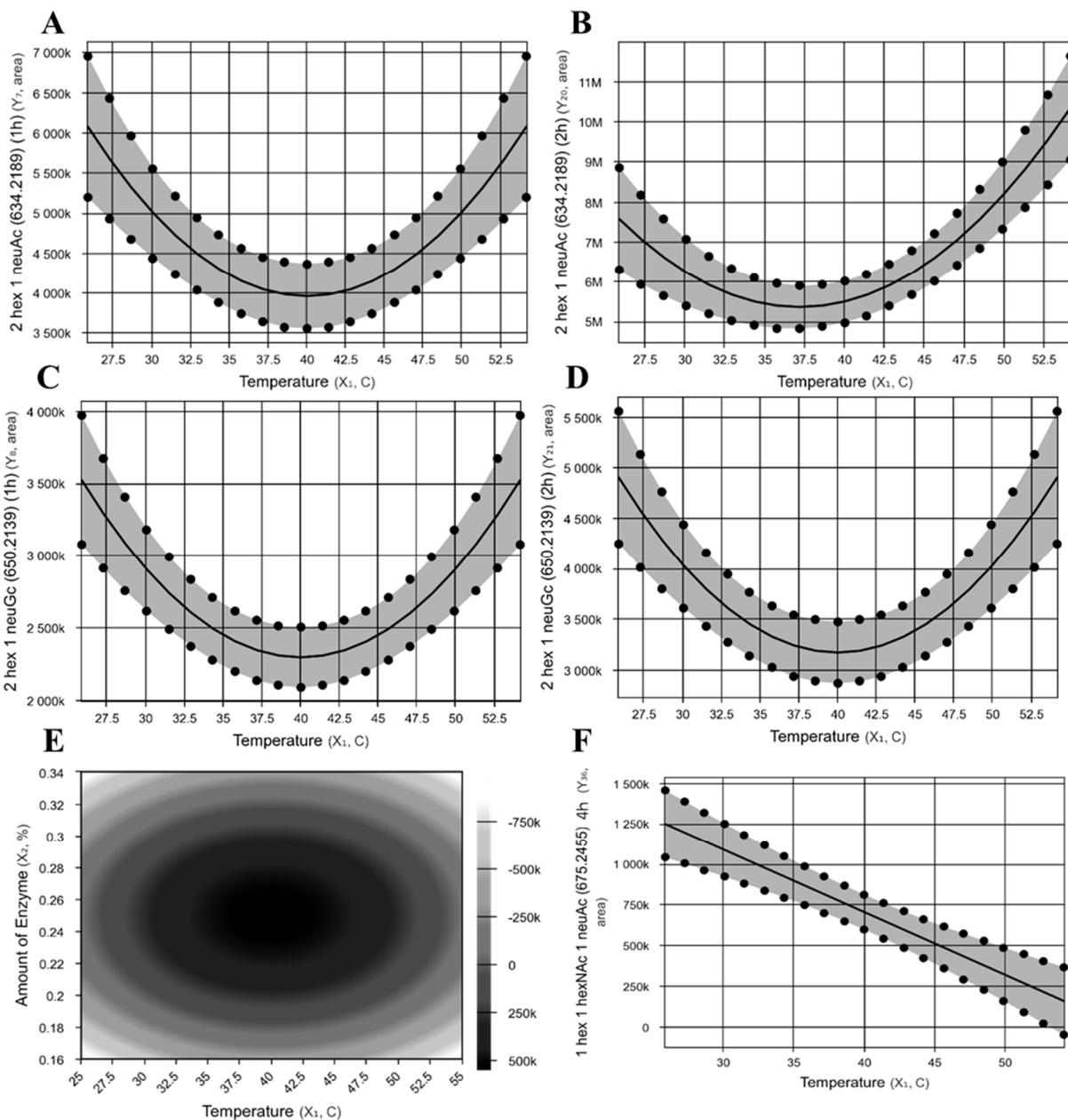


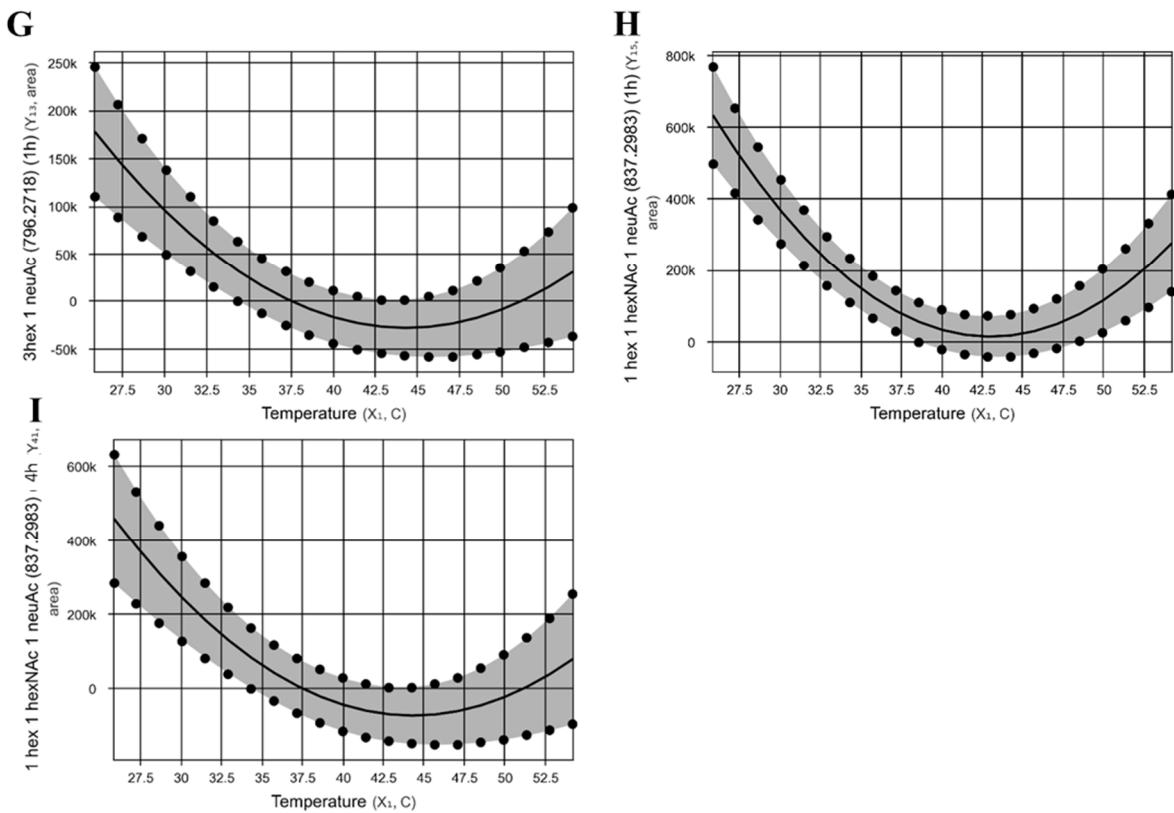
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**Table S1.** Variables and levels evaluated in the experimental design to optimize lactose hydrolysis efficiency by *A. oryzae*  $\beta$ -galactosidase and preservation/formation of oligosaccharides.

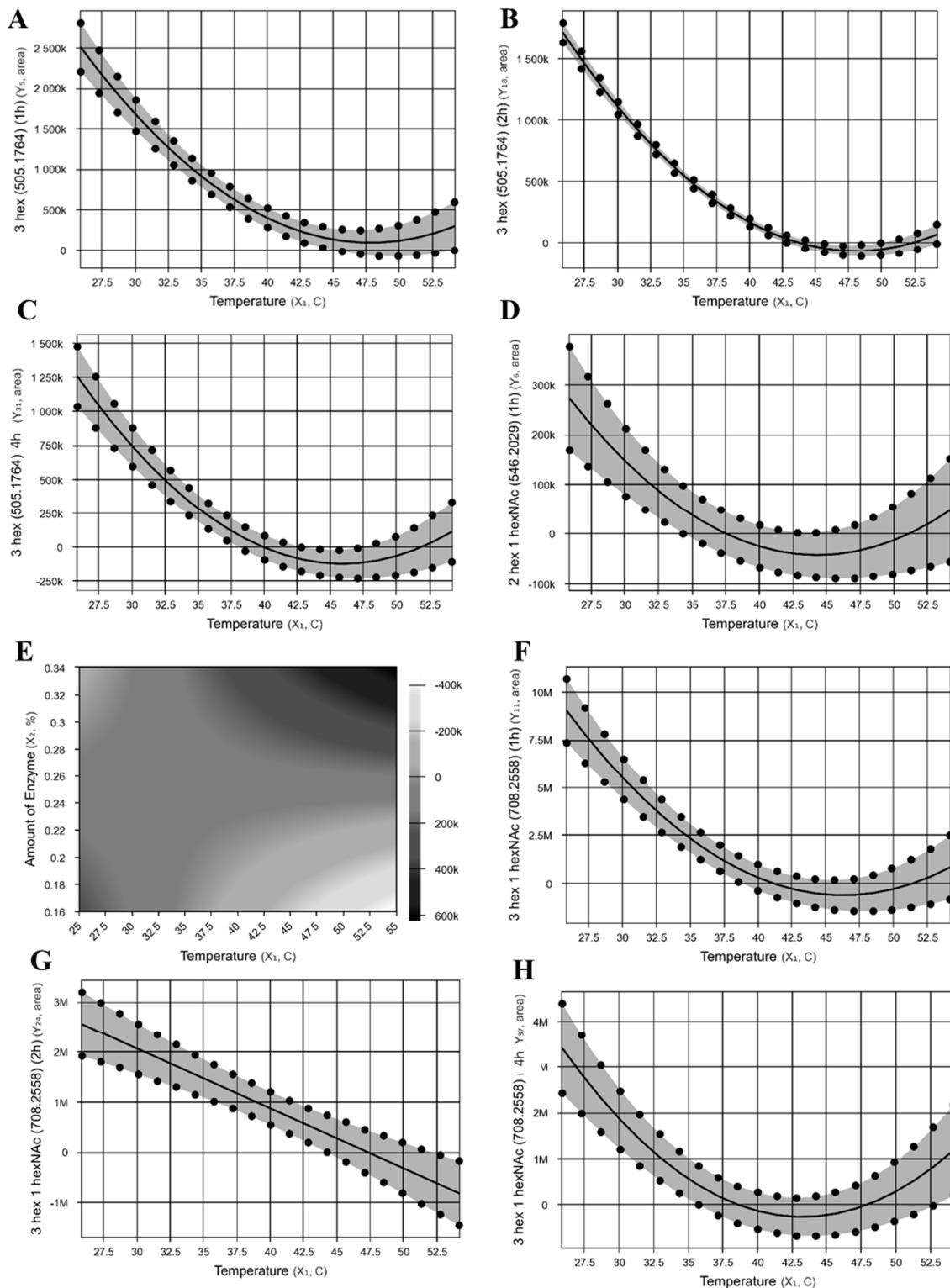
Variable	Level				
	-1.41	-1	0	1	+1.41
Temperature (°C), $x^1$	25.9	30	40	50	54.1
Enzyme (%), $x^2$	0.18	0.20	0.25	0.30	0.32

<sup>1</sup> Complete 2<sup>2</sup> factorial design parameters, with 2 independent variables in 2 levels, 3 repetitions in the central point, and 4 axial points.





**Figure S1.** Contour curve for the abundance of the acidic oligosaccharides (A), 2 Hex 1 NeuAc (634.2189) (1 h); (B), 2 Hex 1 NeuAc (634.2189) (2 h); (C), 2 Hex 1 NeuGc (650.2139) (1 h); (D), 2 Hex 1 NeuGC (650.2139) (2 h); (E), 1 Hex 1 Hex Nac 1 NeuAc (675.2455) (2 h); (F), 1 Hex 1 HexNAc 1 NeuAc (675.2455) (4 h); (G), 3 Hex 1 NeuAc (796.2718) (1 h); (H), 2 Hex 1 HexNAc 1 NeuAc (837.2983) (1 h); (I), 2 Hex 1 HexNAc 1 NeuAc (837.2983) (4 h).



**Figure S2.** Contour curve for the abundance of the neutral oligosaccharides (A), 3 Hex (505.1764) (1 h); (B), 3 Hex (505.1764) (2 h); (C), 3 Hex (505.1764) (4 h); (D), 2 Hex 1 HexNAc (546.2029) (1 h); (E), 2 Hex 1 HexNAc (546.2029) (4 h); (F), 3 Hex 1 HexNAc (708.2558) (1 h); (G), 3 Hex 1 HexNAc (708.2558) (2 h); (H), 3 Hex 1 HexNAc (708.2558) (4 h); (I), 2 Hex 2 HexNAc (749.2823) (1 h); (J), 2 Hex 2 HexNAc (749.2823) (4 h).