# Lactaldehyde dehydrogenase (EC 1.2.1.22), Escherichia coli

Catalogue	number
AE00031	

Presentation 4.0 mg (1 mL)

#### Description

Lactaldehyde dehydrogenase (E.C. 1.2.1.22) from *E. coli* (aldA gene product, P25553) is a homotetrameric protein, localized in the cytoplasm, which unliganded 3D structure has been deposited in the RCSB Protein Data Bank with accession code 2hg2 (Constanzo *et al.*, 2007). Each monomer is composed of a catalytic domain, a cofactor NAD<sup>+</sup> binding domain and an oligomerization domain. This enzyme, with systematic name L-lactaldehyde:NAD<sup>+</sup> oxidoreductase, belongs to the superfamily of NAD<sup>+</sup>- or NADP<sup>+</sup>-dependent enzymes that catalyze the oxidation of aldehydes to the corresponding carboxylic acids. These enzymes are widespread in all living systems, from archea to eukaryotes, where they metabolize endogenous and exogenous aldehydes. This lactaldehyde dehydrogenase from *E. coli* is an NAD<sup>+</sup>-dependent enzyme implicated in the metabolism of L-fucose and L-rhamnose (Baldoma and Aguillar, 1987). The enzyme may function in multiple metabolic pathways due to its ability to catalyse the oxidation of several aldehydes, with a Km in the micromolar range for  $\alpha$ -hydroxyaldehydes (lactaldehyde, glyceraldehydes or glycoaldehyde), and a higher Km, in the millimolar range, for the  $\alpha$ - ketoaldehyde methylglyoxal. The enzyme is provided in 3.2 M ammonium sulphate.

# **Purity**

Lactaldehyde dehydrogenase has been determined to be >95% pure, according to SDS polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis (PAGE) followed by Coomassie Blue staining (Figure 1).



Figure 1. SDS-PAGE analysis of *E. coli* lactaldehyde dehydrogenase. Electrophoresis was performed using a 10% polyacrylamide gel. Lane M, molecular weight marker; Lane 1, purified lactaldehyde dehydrogenase from *E. coli* K12.

#### Storage temperature

Lactaldehyde dehydrogenase should be stored at 2 °C to 8 °C.

# Temperature and pH optimum

The optimum pH and temperature are 9.5 and 25 °C, respectively.

# Activity

The reaction mixture should contain 100 mM sodium glycine buffer, pH 9.5, 0.125 mM NAD+ and 1 mM lactaldehyde. NADH formation is determined by measuring the increase in absorbance at 340 nm.

# References

Constanzo et al. (2007) Journal of Molecular Biology 366, 481-493.

Baldoma and Aguillar (1987) The Journal of Biological Chemistry 262, 13991-13996.

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