

L-LACTIC-ACID

UV METHOD
MANUAL
RX ALTONA

INTENDED USE

For the quantitative *in vitro* determination of L-Lactic-Acid in red and white wine, beer, and fruit juices. This product is suitable for manual use and on the RX **altona** analyser.

Applications for a variety of additional analysers are available from www.randoxfooddiagnostics.com.

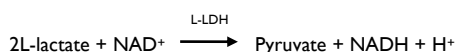
FOR THE ANALYSIS OF FOOD AND WINE. Not for use in diagnostic procedures.

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LC 2653	R1a. Buffer/Substrate	1 x 50 ml
	R1b. Enzyme/Coenzyme	4 x 10 ml
	R2. Starter	1 x 1 ml
	CAL. Standard	1 x 5.5 ml

UV METHOD(1)

L-lactic acid (L-lactate) is determined according to the following reaction.



SAMPLE

Use clear liquid samples for the assay. Turbid samples should be filtered prior to assay.

Free lactate can be determined in red wine, white wine, beer or fruit juices without decolourising or sample dilution. Carbonic acid can be removed from beer by stirring the sample with a glass rod for 1 minute.

REAGENT COMPOSITION

Contents	Initial Concentrations
R1a. Buffer/Substrate	
Tris	200 mmol/l, pH 9.0
Glycylglycine	200 mmol/l
L-glutamic acid	50 mmol/l
R1b. Enzyme/Coenzyme	
NAD	6 mmol/l
Alanine Amino-transferase	≥ 28 KU/l
R2. Starter	
Tris	100 mmol/l, pH 7.6
Lactate dehydrogenase	2.7 KU/ml
CAL. Standard	
L-Lactic Acid	See lot specific insert

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS AND WARNINGS

For *in vitro* use only. Do not pipette by mouth. Exercise the normal precautions required for handling laboratory reagents.

Solutions R1a and R2 contains Sodium Azide. Avoid ingestion or contact with skin or mucous membranes. In case of skin contact, flush affected area with copious amounts of water. In case of contact with eyes or if ingested, seek immediate medical attention.

Sodium Azide reacts with lead and copper plumbing, to form potentially explosive azides. When disposing of such reagents flush with large volumes of water to prevent azide build up. Exposed metal surfaces should be cleaned with 10% sodium hydroxide.

Health and Safety Data Sheets are available on request.

Please dispose of all biological and chemical materials according to local guidelines.

The reagents must be used only for the purpose intended by suitably qualified laboratory personnel, under appropriate laboratory conditions.

STABILITY AND PREPARATION OF REAGENTS

R1a. Buffer/Substrate

Contents stable as supplied up to expiry date when stored at +2 to +8°C

R1b. Enzyme/Coenzyme

Reconstitute the contents of one vial of Enzyme/Coenzyme R1b with 1 ml of double deionised/distilled water. Stable for 3 weeks at +2 to +8°C or 1 week at +15 to +25°C.

R2. Starter

Contents ready for use. Stable up to expiry date when stored at +2 to +8°C.

CAL. Standard

Contents ready for use. Stable up to expiry date when stored at +2 to +8°C.

PREPARATION OF WORKING REAGENT (R1)

Enzyme/Coenzyme R1b	Buffer R1a
1 ml	9 ml
0.5 ml	4.5 ml

Stable for 8 hours at +2 to +8°C.

MATERIALS PROVIDED

Buffer/Substrate
Enzyme/Coenzyme
Starter
Standard

MATERIALS REQUIRED BUT NOT PROVIDED

Double deionised/distilled water

NOTES

The method is specific for L-lactic acid. The D-isomer does not react.

Perspiration of the hands contains L-Lactic Acid therefore gloves should be worn when handling pipette tips and preparing reagent.

Total L-lactate content (the sum of free and esterified L-lactate) is determined by heating 20 ml of wine and 2 ml sodium hydroxide (2 mol/l) for 15 mins under a reflux condenser while stirring. Allow the sample to cool and neutralise with sulphuric acid (1 mol/l). Transfer to a 50 ml volumetric flask and add water to the 50 ml mark. After filtration the clear solution can be used in the assay. Wines with a high sugar content should be heated with water instead of NaOH under a reflux condenser.

PROCEDURE

Select L-Lactic Acid in the Test Screen. Then select Run Calibration or Run Sample and carry out a water blank as instructed.

Pipette into a cuvette:

	Reagent Blank S0	Standard S1	Sample
Redist. Water	10 µl	-	-
Standard	-	10 µl	-
Sample	-	-	10 µl
Working Reagent R1	500 µl	500 µl	500 µl

Mix, incubate for 3 minutes at +20 to +25°C. Insert the cuvette into the RX **altona** flowcell holder when prompted for Sample Blank and press Read. Then add

Starter R2	10 µl	10 µl	10 µl
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Mix, incubate for a further 15 -20 minutes at +20 to +25°C. Insert the cuvette into the RX **altona** flowcell holder when prompted for Sample and press Read.

CALIBRATION FOR RX ALTONA

Calibration is recommended with change in reagent lot or as indicated by quality control procedures. Use CAL Standard provided in the kit.

FOR MANUAL USE

PROCEDURE SEMI MICRO

Wavelength:	340 nm (Hg 334 nm or Hg 365 nm)
Cuvette:	1 cm path length
Temperature:	+20 to +25°C
Measurements:	against water (increasing absorbance)

Prepare Working Reagent and pipette into 1 ml cuvettes

	Blank	Standard	Sample
Working Reagent (R1)	1000 µl	1000 µl	1000 µl
Redist. Water	20 µl	-	-
Sample	-	-	20 µl
Standard	-	20 µl	-

Mix and read absorbance A_1 after approximately 3 minutes.

Starter 3	20 µl	20 µl	20 µl
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Mix and read absorbance A_2 after approximately 15 - 20 minutes.

PROCEDURE MACRO

Wavelength:	340 nm (Hg 334 nm or Hg 365 nm)
Cuvette:	1 cm path length
Temperature:	+20 to +25°C
Measurements:	against water (increasing absorbance)

Prepare Working Reagent and pipette into cuvettes

	Blank	Standard	Sample
Working Reagent (R1)	2000 µl	2000 µl	2000 µl
Redist. Water	40 µl	-	-
Sample	-	-	40 µl
Standard	-	40 µl	-

Mix and read absorbance A_1 after approximately 3 minutes.

Starter 3	40 µl	40 µl	40 µl
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Mix and read absorbance

MANUAL CALCULATION

Determine absorbance differences $A_2 - A_1$ for blank and sample.

$$\Delta A = \Delta A_{\text{sample}} - \Delta A_{\text{blank}}$$

To calculate the L-Lactic Acid concentration use the following formula:

$$\text{g/l L-Lactic acid} = 0.744 \times \Delta A$$

Alternatively,

$$\text{g/l L-Lactic Acid} = \frac{\text{Standard value}}{\Delta A_{\text{standard}}} \times \Delta A_{\text{sample}} \quad (\text{g/l})$$

SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

The following performance data were obtained using a RX **altona** analyser in cuvette mode at +25°C.

LINEARITY

The test is linear to an L-lactic acid concentration of 0.47 g/l. Dilute sample above this concentration 1+9 with water. Multiply the result by 10.

SENSITIVITY

The minimum detectable concentration of L-Lactic Acid with an acceptable level of precision was determined as 0.045 g/l.

PRECISION**Within run precision**

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Mean (g/l)	0.090	0.245	0.402
SD	0.004	0.005	0.008
CV(%)	4.59	2.16	1.88
n	20	20	20

Between run precision

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Mean (g/l)	0.088	0.232	0.403
SD	0.005	0.008	0.017
CV(%)	6.19	3.56	4.27
n	20	20	20

REFERENCES

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