

## Product Information

**CMP-Sialic Acid Synthetase from *Neisseria meningitidis* group B  
recombinant, expressed in *Escherichia coli***

Catalog Number **C1999**  
Storage Temperature  $-20^{\circ}\text{C}$

EC 2.7.7.43

Synonym: CTP: N-Acylneuraminate cytidyltransferase

### Product Description

CMP-Sialic Acid Synthetase is a 26.0 kDa cytoplasmic protein. The sequence is derived from *Neisseria meningitidis* group B and has been expressed in *Escherichia coli* BL21. The enzyme catalyzes the synthesis of CMP-sialic acid from CTP and sialic acid.<sup>1</sup>

CTP + N-acylneuraminate  $\rightarrow$  diphosphate + CMP-N-acylneuraminate

The enzyme has been utilized to synthesize CMP-sialic acid and its derivatives.<sup>2</sup>

Isoelectric Point: 6.27<sup>1</sup>

Optimal pH: 6.27<sup>1</sup>

$K_m$  (N-Acylneuraminate): 0.34 mM<sup>3</sup>

Specific Activity:  $\geq 10$  units per mg protein

Unit definition: One unit will catalyze the formation of 1.0  $\mu\text{mol}$  CMP-Neu-5-Ac from Neu-5-Ac and CTP per minute at  $37^{\circ}\text{C}$  at pH 8.5.

Enzymatic activity assays are performed in Tris-HCl buffer (100 mM, pH 8.5) containing Neu-5-Ac (1 mM) and CTP (1 mM) at  $37^{\circ}\text{C}$  for 30 min and analyzed using capillary electrophoresis with a UV detector (200 nm).

### Reagent

Supplied as a lyophilized powder containing Tris-HCl and NaCl.

### Precautions and Disclaimer

This product is for R&D use only, not for drug, household, or other uses. Please consult the Material Safety Data Sheet for information regarding hazards and safe handling practices.

### Storage/Stability

Store at  $-20^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

### References

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3. Gilbert, M., et al., Purification and characterization of the recombinant CMP-sialic acid synthetase from *Neisseria meningitidis*. *Biotechnol. Lett.* 19, 417-420 (1997)

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