## Native Bovine $\alpha$-Chymotrypsin

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## Introduction

Description Chymotrypsin is a digestive enzyme component of pancreatic juice acting in the duodenum where it performs proteolysis, the breakdown of proteins and polypeptides. Chymotrypsin preferentially cleaves peptide amide bonds where the carboxyl side of the amide bond (the P1 position) is a large hydrophobic amino acid (tyrosine, tryptophan, and phenylalanine). These amino acids contain an aromatic ring in their sidechain that fits into a 'hydrophobic pocket' (the S1 position) of the enzyme. It is activated in the presence of trypsin.

Applications Chymotrypsin (EC 3.4.21.1, chymotrypsins A and B, alpha-chymar ophth, avazyme, chymar, chymotest, enzeon, quimar, quimotrase, alpha-chymar, alpha-chymotrypsin A, alpha-chymotrypsin) is a digestive enzyme component of pancreatic juice acting in the duodenum where it performs proteolysis, the breakdown of proteins and polypeptides. Chymotrypsin preferentially cleaves peptide amide bonds where the carboxyl side of the amide bond (the P1 position) is a large hydrophobic amino acid (tyrosine, tryptophan, and phenylalanine). These amino acids contain an aromatic ring in their sidechain that fits into a 'hydrophobic pocket' (the S1 position) of the enzyme. It is activated in the presence of trypsin. The hydrophobic and shape complementarity between the peptide substrate P1 sidechain and the enzyme S1 binding cavity accounts for the substrate specificity of this enzyme. Chymotrypsin also hydrolyzes other amide bonds in peptides at slower rates, particularly those containing leucine and methionine at the P1 position. Structurally, it is the archetypal structure for its superfamily, the PA clan of proteases.

Synonyms EC 3.4.21.1; $\alpha$-Chymotrypsin; chymotrypsins A and B; alpha-chymar ophth; avazyme; chymar; chymotest; enzeon; quimar; quimotrase; alpha-chymar; alpha-chymotrypsin A; alpha-chymotrypsin; Chymotrypsin

## Product Information

## Species Bovine

| Source | Bovine Pancreas |
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| Form | lyophilized powder |
| EC Number | EC 3.4.21.1 |
| CAS No. | $9004-07-3$ |
| Activity | $>40$ units/mg protein |
| Function | serine-type endopeptidase activity |

## Storage and Shipping Information

Storage $\quad-20^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$

