

## Specification Sheet

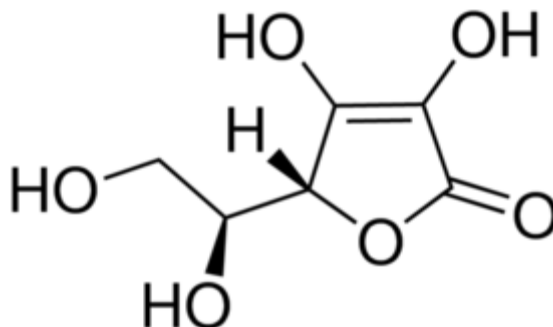
A5960 Sigma-Aldrich

## L-Ascorbic acid

BioXtra, ≥99.0%, crystalline

Synonym: L-Threoascorbic acid, Antiscorbutic factor, Vitamin C

- CAS Number [50-81-7](#)
- Empirical Formula (Hill Notation) C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>8</sub>O<sub>6</sub>
- Molecular Weight 176.12
- Beilstein/REAXYS Number 84272
- EC Number [200-066-2](#)
- MDL number [MFCD00064328](#)
- PubChem Substance ID [24891042](#)
- NACRES NA.26



SKU-Pack Size	Availability	Pack Size	Price (SGD)	Quantity
A5960-10MG	Estimated to ship on 28.04.2021 - FROM	10 mg		<input type="text" value="0"/>
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## Properties

Related Categories

[Biochemicals and Reagents](#), [Cofactors](#), [Core Bioreagents](#), [Enzymes, Inhibitors, and Substrates](#), [Oxidation-Reduction](#),

product line	BioXtra
assay	≥99.0%
form	crystalline
application(s)	cell culture   mammalian: suitable
impurities	≤0.0005% Phosphorus (P)
	≤0.1% Insoluble matter
ign. residue	≤0.1%
color	white to off-white
pH	1.0-2.5 (25 °C, 176 g/L in water)
mp	190-194 °C (dec.)
solubility	H <sub>2</sub> O: 0.5 M, clear, colorless
anion traces	sulfate (SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> ): ≤0.05%
cation traces	Al: ≤0.0005%
	Ca: ≤0.0005%
	Cu: ≤0.0005%
	Fe: ≤0.0005%



	<b>K: ≤0.005%</b>
	<b>Mg: ≤0.0005%</b>
	<b>NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>: ≤0.05%</b>
	<b>Na: ≤0.005%</b>
	<b>Pb: ≤0.001%</b>
	<b>Zn: ≤0.0005%</b>
storage temp.	<b>room temp</b>
SMILES string	<b>OC([C@]([C@@H](O)CO)([H])O1)=C(O)C1=O</b>
InChI	<b>1S/C6H8O6/c7-1-2(8)5-3(9)4(10)6(11)12-5/h2,5,7-10H,1H2/t2-,5+/m0/s1</b>
InChI key	<b>CIWBSHSHKHDKBQ-JLAZNSOCSA-N</b>
Gene Information	<b>human ... <a href="#">SLC23A2(9962)</a></b>
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## Description

### General description

Ascorbic acid is also referred to as Vitamin C.<sup>[5]</sup> It contains a six-carbon lactone produced by plants and some animal species but not by humans and other primates. Vitamin C is a water-soluble vitamin.<sup>[6]</sup> Vitamin C is a part of citrus fruits, such as Indian gooseberry, broccoli, strawberries, brussels sprouts.<sup>[6]</sup> L-ascorbic acid is the biologically active form of ascorbic acid. It is unstable and hydrophilic.<sup>[5]</sup> Ascorbic acid carries a neutral charge, which gets converted to ascorbate by protonation.<sup>[7]</sup>

### Application

- L-Ascorbic acid has been used to induce osteoblast differentiation from primary bone marrow cultures.
- It has been used for the differentiation of hCMPCs (human cardiomyocyte progenitor cells) into cardiomyocytes.<sup>[3]</sup>
- It has been used to measure the mitochondrial electron transport chain (complex IV) activity.<sup>[4]</sup>

### Packaging

10 mg in glass bottle

25, 100, 500 g in poly bottle

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*Biochem/physiol Actions*

L-Ascorbic acid plays a role in production of neurotransmitters, carnitine and collagen synthesis.<sup>[6]</sup> Ascorbic acid functions as an enzymatic cofactor for multiple enzymes, serving as an electron donor for monooxygenases and dioxygenases. Ascorbic acid also functions as a powerful antioxidant, particularly in regards to reactive oxygen species.<sup>[1]</sup> Vitamin C exhibits anti-oxidant properties. Vitamin C is implicated in conferring protection against photoaging and anti-aging.<sup>[5]</sup> Deficiency of vitamin C is associated with scurvy, bleeding gums, poor wound healing, anemia and muscle degeneration.<sup>[6]</sup>

*Caution*

May darken in storage.

