PARTICLE SIZE ANALYSIS OF PROTEIN (Lysozyme: 0.1 mg/mL)

Summary

Lysozyme is an enzyme found in chicken egg-whites, tears, saliva and other secretions. It protects eggs, eyes, and mouths from microbial infections. In the industrial field, lysozyme is extracted from egg-whites and used in food and medical products. Its has a molecular weight of 14.7 kDa, isoelectric point of 11 to 11.5, optimum pH of around 5, and optimum temperature of 50 degrees C.

Lysozyme has a diameter of 3 to 5 nm (see Fig. 1).

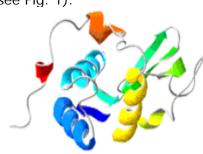


Fig. 1: The three-dimensional structure of lysozyme

Analytical Test Method

Instrument: SZ-100 nano Partica Temperature: SZ-100 nano Partica 25 ± 0.3 degrees C

Sample: Lysozyme (MP Biomedicals Inc.) added to aqueous solution of acetic acid (pH = 4)

Sample refractive index: 1.60 Dispersion medium refractive index: 1.333

Ditribution notation: Volumetric basis Concentration: 0.1 mg/mL

The average diameter of lysozyme as measured with the SZ-100 was 4.57 nm (see Fig. 2). Reproducibility was good, with the coefficient of variation (CV) of 1.27 (see Table 1).

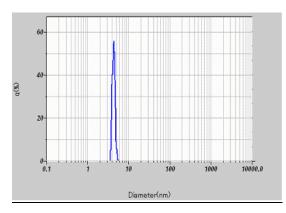


Fig. 2: Lysozyme particle size distribution measurement

Table 1: Lysozyme measurement reproducibility

	Average particle size (nm)
1 2 3	4.6 4.5 4.6
Average Standard deviation CV (%)	4.57 0.058 1.27



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