AccQ-Tag Amino Acid Analysis Using HPLC

The HPLC-based, AccQ•Tag method requires the same pre-column derivatization step as used in the AccQ•Tag Ultra method. The AccQ•Fluor[™] reagent, 6-aminoquinolyl-Nhydroxysuccinimidyl carbamate (AQC), derivatizes primary and secondary amines in a simple, single-step reaction that yields highly stable fluorescent adducts. Waters offers the AccQ•Tag method as a system package consisting of prepackaged reagents and extensive documentation.

The AccQ•Tag Chemistry Package contains the items needed to perform as many as 250 amino acid analyses of protein and peptide hydrolysates.

AccQ-Tag Derivatization Kit

The AccQ•Tag derivatization kit contains five sets of the derivatizing reagents. Each set includes one vial of the following items:

- AccQ+Fluor borate buffer—Added to samples, the borate buffer ensures the optimum pH for derivatization
- AccQ•Fluor reagent powder—6-aminoquinolyl-Nhydroxysuccinimidyl carbamate (AQC), shipped dry, for maximum stability
- AccQ•Fluor reagent diluent—The acetonitrile diluent is used to reconstitute the reagent for derivatization

AccQ-Tag Amino Acid Analysis Column

The AccQ•Tag C_{18} Column is a high-efficiency HPLC column that is tested and certified for use specifically in the AccQ•Tag method. This column separates the amino acid derivatives produced by the AccQ•Fluor derivatization reaction.

AccQ-Tag Analysis of Hydrolysate Amino Acids Using p/n: WAT088122

Ordering Information

AccQ-Tag Amino Acid Analysis Kits and Accessories for HPLC and UHPLC AAA Analysis

Description	Qty.	P/N
AccQ•Tag Chemistry Kit		WAT052875
Kit for up to 250 analyses includes:		
AccQ•Fluor Reagent1	$5 \times 6 \text{ mL}$	
AccQ•Fluor Reagent 2A	$5 \times 3 \text{ mg}$	
AccQ+Fluor Reagent 2B	$5 \times 3 \text{ mL}$	
AccQ•Tag C ₁₈ Column, 3.9 × 150 mm		
AccQ-Tag Eluent A, Concentrate	2×1L	
Sample Tubes	4×72/pk	
Amino Acid Standard, Hydrolysate	$10 \times 1 \text{mL}$	
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Amino Acid Standard, Hydrolysate		
A standard mixture containing 18 amino acids (17 hydrolysate amino acids, each at 2.5 mM concentration and cystine at 1.25 mM concentration).	10 × 1 mL	WAT088122
AccQ-Tag Eluent A Concentrate	1L	WAT052890
AccQ-Tag Eluent B	1L	WAT052895
AccQ-Fluor Reagent Kit		WAT052880
Kit includes:		
AccQ+Fluor Reagent1	$5 \times 6 \text{ mL}$	
AccQ-Fluor Reagent 2A	$5 \times 3 \text{ mg}$	
AccQ+Fluor Reagent 2B	$5 \times 4 \text{ mL}$	
The components of this kit are not available separately		
AccQ-Tag $C_{_{18'}}$ 3.9 × 150 mm Column		WAT052885
AccQ-Tag User Guide		WAT052874



Application of the AccQ-Tag method to the analysis of hydrolysate amino acids is illustrated. The high-purity reagents provided in the AccQ-Tag Chemistry Package minimize background amino acid content (6-aminoquinoline, or AMQ), making high-sensitivity analysis possible.