

## Determination of LACTATE, PYRUVATE and ASCORBATE by HPLC.

An isocratic analysis with UV detection of lactate, pyruvate and ascorbate of particular relevance for studies of hypoxia, ischemia, stroke and free radicals. A perfect companion to the method described in application note 22. Both methods can be handled by *one* CMA/200 automatically injecting into *two* different chromatographs.

### INSTRUMENTS and METHOD

<b>Pump:</b>	CMA/250 LC-pump
<b>Degasser:</b>	CMA/260
<b>Injector:</b>	CMA/200 Refrigerated Microsampler
<b>Detector:</b>	UV-detector
<b>Column:</b>	Polypore H, 10 µm, 220 x 4.6 mm. Brownlee.
<b>Precolumn:</b>	Polypore H, 10 µm, 30 x 4.6 mm. Brownlee.

Integrator or integration software.

<b>Mobile phase:</b>	2 mM sulphuric acid
<b>Flowrate:</b>	0.3 mL/minute
<b>Detection:</b>	214 nm
<b>Temperature</b>	Microsampler: + 6 °C Column: Ambient

### REAGENTS

#### 1. Mobile phase, Sulphuric acid, 2 mmol/L

Sulphuric acid, H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> , conc.	112 µL
Distilled water to	1000 mL

### CALIBRATOR

#### Lactate, 10 mmol/L

Lactic acid, Mw: 96.08, Sigma L-2250	96.08 mg
Mobile phase	100 mL

#### Pyruvate, 1,0 mmol/L

Pyruvic acid, Mw: 110.0, Sigma P-2256	22.0 mg
Mobile phase	200 mL

#### Ascorbate, 500 µmol/L

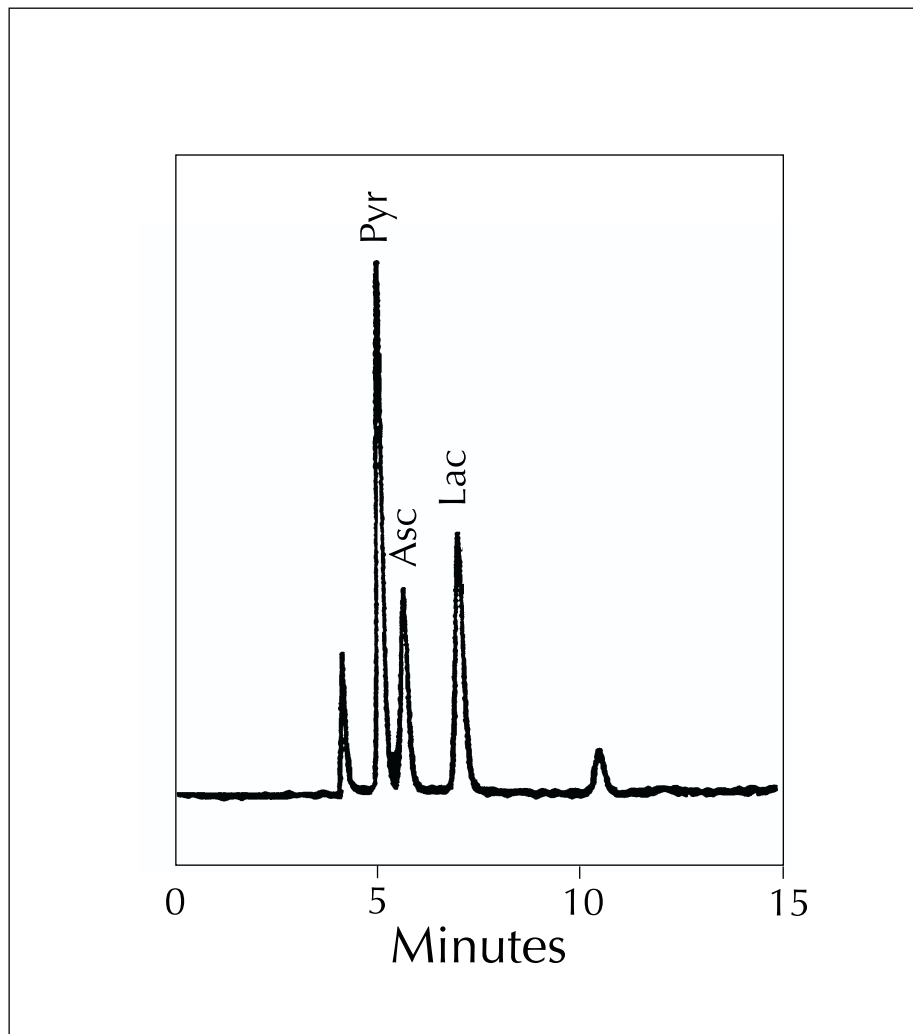
Ascorbic acid, Mw: 176.13, Merck 127	17.6 mg
Metaphosphoric acid, 2.5 %	200 mL

#### Lactate 250 µmol/L, Pyruvate 25 µmol/L, Ascorbate 10 µmol/L

Lactate, 10 mmol/L	25 µL
Pyruvate, 1.0 mmol/L	25 µL
Ascorbate, 500 µmol/L	20 µL
Mobile phase	930 µL

## ANALYSIS

1. Let pump run with eluent for at least 30 minutes to equilibrate the column.
2. Inject 10  $\mu$ L of distilled water to check that there are no extra peaks.
3. Pipette samples to be analyzed (calibrators and unknowns) into sample vials and place in Microsampler.



### References:

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