

1 Nomenclature

EC number

5.3.1.27

Systematic name

D-arabino-hex-3-ulose-6-phosphate isomerase

Recommended name

6-phospho-3-hexuloisomerase

Synonyms

3-hexulose-6-phosphate isomerase

6-phospho-3-hexuloisomerase <1,2,3,4,5,6,7,9,10,11,12,20,21> [10]

PHI <1,2,3,4,5,6,7,9,10,11,12,20,21> [10]

YckF <15> [1]

[acyl-carrier protein]:acetate ligase

phospho-3-hexuloisomerase

2 Source Organism

- <1> *Pyrococcus* sp. [10]
- <2> *Brevibacillus brevis* [10]
- <3> *Bacillus subtilis* [6,10]
- <4> *Methylococcus capsulatus* [4,10]
- <5> *Bacillus methanolicus* [10]
- <6> *Thermococcus* sp. [10]
- <7> *Pyrococcus horikoshii* [10]
- <8> uncultured bacterium [2]
- <9> *Thermococcus kodakarensis* [8,10]
- <10> *Methanosarcina* sp. [10]
- <11> *Methylobacillus flagellatus* KT [10]
- <12> *Methylomonas aminofaciens* [10]
- <13> no activity in *Hansenula polymorpha* [2]
- <14> *Methanocaldococcus jannaschii* (UNIPROT accession number: Q58644) [9]
- <15> *Bacillus subtilis* (UNIPROT accession number: P42404) [1]
- <16> no activity in *Kloeckera* sp. [2]
- <17> *Mycobacterium gastris* (UNIPROT accession number: Q9LBW5) [3]
- <18> *Methylomonas aminofaciens* (UNIPROT accession number: Q950X3) [5]
- <19> *Pyrococcus horikoshii* (UNIPROT accession number: O59601) [7]

- <20> *Mycobacterium gastris* [10]
 <21> *Aminomonas aminovorvus* [10]

3 Reaction and Specificity

Catalyzed reaction

D-arabino-hex-3-ulose 6-phosphate = D-fructose 6-phosphate

Reaction type

isomerization

Natural substrates and products

- S** D-arabino-hex-3-ulose 6-phosphate <1,2,3,4,5,6,7,9,10,11,12,20,21> (Reversibility: ?) [10]
P D-fructose 6-phosphate
S Additional information <9> (<9> bifunctional 3-hexulose-6-phosphate synthase/6-phospho-3-hexuloisomerase is essential for the biosynthesis of ribulose 5-phosphate. The ribulose monophosphate pathway substitutes for the classical pentose phosphate pathway in *Thermococcus kodakarensis* [8]) (Reversibility: ?) [8]
P ?

Substrates and products

- S** D-arabino-3-hexulose 6-phosphate <4,17> (Reversibility: r) [3,4]
P D-fructose 6-phosphate
S D-arabino-hex-3-ulose 6-phosphate <1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,15,20,21> (Reversibility: ?) [1,2,10]
P D-fructose 6-phosphate
S D-fructose 6-phosphate <8> (Reversibility: r) [2]
P D-arabino-hex-3-ulose 6-phosphate
S D-fructose 6-phosphate <4> (Reversibility: r) [4]
P D-arabino-3-hexulose 6-phosphate
S Additional information <4,9> (<9> bifunctional 3-hexulose-6-phosphate synthase/6-phospho-3-hexuloisomerase is essential for the biosynthesis of ribulose 5-phosphate. The ribulose monophosphate pathway substitutes for the classical pentose phosphate pathway in *Thermococcus kodakarensis* [8]; <4> enzyme is specific for substrates D-arabino-3-hexulose 6-phosphate and D-fructose 6-phosphate [4]; <4> no substrate: D-ribulose 5-phosphate, D-xylulose 5-phosphate or D-allulose 6-phosphate [4]) (Reversibility: ?) [4,8]
P ?

Inhibitors

- Co²⁺ <4> (<4> 1 mM, 35% residual activity [4]) [4]
 Cu²⁺ <4> (<4> 1 mM, 8% residual activity [4]) [4]
 Mg²⁺ <4> (<4> 5 mM, 30% loss of activity [4]) [4]
 Ni²⁺ <4> (<4> 1 mM, 14% residual activity [4]) [4]
 Zn²⁺ <4> (<4> 1 mM, 40% residual activity [4]) [4]

Additional information <4> (<4> at 1 mM sugar phosphate concentration, D-allulose 6-phosphate, D-fructose 6-phosphate, 6-phospho-D-gluconate, D-ribose 5-phosphate, D-xylulose 5-phosphate, D-erythrose 4-phosphate and glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate do not affect the isomerase activity [4]) [4]

Activating compounds

formaldehyde <3> (<3> concomitant induction of 3-hexulose 6-phosphate synthase and 6-phospho-3-hexuloisomerase by formaldehyde [6]) [6]

Additional information <3> (<3> no induction by by methanol, formate, or methylamine [6]) [6]

Metals, ions

Additional information <4> (<4> no requirement for divalent cations [4]) [4]

Specific activity (U/mg)

20 <8> (<8> pH 7.0, 30°C [2]) [2]

154 <17> (<17> 3-hexulose-6-phosphate synthase/6-phospho-3-hexuloisomerase fusion enzyme, 30°C [3]) [3]

563 <17> (<17> 6-phospho-3-hexuloisomerase, 30°C [3]) [3]

1560 <4> (<4> 30°C, pH 7.0 [4]) [4]

K_m-Value (mM)

0.029 <8> (D-arabino-hex-3-ulose 6-phosphate, <8> pH 7.0, 30°C [2]) [2]

0.1 <4> (D-arabino-3-hexulose 6-phosphate, <4> 30°C, pH 7.0 [4]) [4]

0.67 <8> (D-fructose 6-phosphate, <8> pH 7.0, 30°C [2]) [2]

1.1 <4> (D-fructose 6-phosphate, <4> 30°C, pH 7.0 [4]) [4]

pH-Optimum

7.5 <8> [2]

8.3 <4> [4]

Temperature optimum (°C)

30 <8,17> (<17> both recombinant 6-phospho-3-hexuloisomerase and 3-hexulose-6-phosphate synthase /6-phospho-3-hexuloisomerase fusion enzyme [3]) [2,3]

60 <19> (<19> separately expressed 6-phospho-3-hexuloisomerase domain [7]) [7]

80-85 <19> (<19> bifunctional enzyme [7]) [7]

4 Enzyme Structure

Molecular weight

67000 <4> (<4> gel filtration [4]) [4]

75000 <19> (<19> separately expressed 6-phospho-3-hexuloisomerase domain [7]) [7]

94000 <17> (<17> gel filtration, recombinant 6-phospho-3-hexuloisomerase [3]) [3]

162000 <19> (<19> gel filtration, bifunctional enzyme [7]) [7]

Subunits

? <17> (<17> x * 42000, recombinant 3-hexulose-6-phosphate synthase /6-phospho-3-hexuloisomerase fusion enzyme [3]) [3]
 tetramer <17,19> (<17> 4 * 21000, SDS-PAGE, recombinant 6-phospho-3-hexuloisomerase [3]; <19> 4 * 47000, SDS-PAGE, bifunctional enzyme, 4 * 21000, SDS-PAGE, and 4 * 21475, calculated, separately expressed 6-phospho-3-hexuloisomerase domain [7]) [3,7]

5 Isolation/Preparation/Mutation/Application**Purification**

<4> [4]

Crystallization

<14> (diffraction to 2.0 Å resolution. MJ1247 is an α/β structure consisting of a five-stranded parallel β -sheet flanked on both sides by α -helices, forming a three-layered α - β - α sandwich. The fold represents the nucleotide binding motif of a flavodoxin type. Protein forms a tetramer in the crystal and in solution and each monomer has a folding similar to the isomerase domain of glucosamine 6-phosphate synthase) [9]

<15> (diffraction to 1.7 Å, space group P6522 or P6122) [1]

Cloning

<9> [8]

<14> (expression in *Escherichia coli*) [9]

<15> (expression in *Escherichia coli*) [1]

<19> (expression in *Escherichia coli*) [7]

Engineering

Additional information <3,9,17,19> (<9> deletion of bifunctional 3-hexulose-6-phosphate synthase /6-phospho-3-hexuloisomerase results in loss of growth in minimal medium, which can be recovered by addition of nucleosides to the medium [8]; <19> expression of the full-length gene encoding the hybrid enzyme 3-hexulose 6-phosphate synthase/6-phospho-3-hexuloisomerase, the sequence corresponding to the 3-hexulose 6-phosphate synthase region, and the sequence corresponding to the 6-phospho-3-hexuloisomerase region produces active enzymes in *Escherichia coli*. The bifunctional enzyme catalyzes the sequential reaction much more efficiently than a mixture of the isolated domains [7]; <17> fusion gene construct of 3-hexulose-6-phosphate synthase and 6-phospho-3-hexuloisomerase. The gene product of 3-hexulose-6-phosphate synthase /6-phospho-3-hexuloisomerase exhibits both activities at room temperature and catalyzes the sequential reactions more efficiently than a simple mixture of the individual enzymes. The gene product of 6-phospho-3-hexuloisomerase /3-hexulose-6-phosphate synthase fails to display any enzyme activity. *Escherichia coli* strains harboring the 3-hexulose-6-phosphate synthase /6-phospho-3-hexuloisomerase gene consume formaldehyde more efficiently and exhibited better growth in

a formaldehyde containing medium than the host strain [3]; <3> gene disruption causes moderate sensitivity to formaldehyde [6]) [3,6,7,8]

Application

synthesis <18> (<18> production of D-[1-¹³C]fructose 6-phosphate from ¹³C-enriched formaldehyde and D-ribose 5-phosphate using 3-hexulose 6-phosphate synthase and 6-phospho-3-hexuloisomerase from *Methylomonas aminofaciens* and spinach ribose 5-phosphate isomerase [5]) [5]

6 Stability

Temperature stability

60 <4> (<4> 10 min, complete loss of activity [4]) [4]

90 <19> (<19> half-life above 90 min, bifunctional enzyme. Half-life below 5 min, separately expressed 6-phospho-3-hexuloisomerase domain [7]) [7]

Storage stability

<4>, -15°C, 10 mM-Tris-HCl, 1 mM-EDTA buffer, pH 7.5, stable for 4 months [4]

<4>, 0-4°C, 10 mM-Tris-HCl, 1 mM-EDTA buffer, pH 7.5, stable for 4 months [4]

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