## CARBOHYDRASE from BACILLUS LICHENIFORMIS

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**SYNONYMS** Diastase, ptyalin, glycogenase; INS No.1100

**SOURCES** Commercial enzyme preparations are produced by the controlled

fermentation of Bacillus licheniformis.

Active principles alpha-Amylase

Systematic names and numbers 1,4-alpha-D-Glucan glucanohydrolase (EC 3.2.1.1)

Reactions catalyzed The enzyme preparations hydrolyze 1,4-alpha-glucosidic linkages in

polysaccharides, yielding dextrins and oligo- and monosaccharides.

Secondary enzyme activities Microbial serine proteinase (EC 3.4.21.14)

**DESCRIPTION** Off-white to tan amorphous powders or as brown liquids; soluble in water,

but practically insoluble in ethanol, chloroform and ether

**FUNCTIONAL USES** Enzyme preparation

Used in the preparation of and/or in cereals and starch, fruits and vegetables, beverages, sugar and honey, confectionery and bakery.

GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

Must conform to the General Specifications for Enzyme Preparations used

in Food Processing (see Volume Introduction)

**CHARACTERISTICS** 

**IDENTIFICATION** 

Alpha-Amylase activity

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The sample shows bacterial alpha-amylase activity