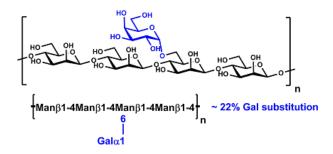


# GALACTOMANNAN (Carob; High Viscosity) (Lot 10502c)

P-GALMH 12/20

CAS: 11078-30-1

## **STRUCTURE**



Schematic representation of Carob galactomannan

## **PROPERTIES**

**Purity:** > 95%

**Viscosity:** 13 dL/g (Ubbelohde suspended-level viscometer, 25°C)

**Sugar Composition:** Galactose 21%, mannose 79%

 Protein:
 3.2%

 Ash:
 0.2%

 Moisture:
 5.0%

**Physical description:** off-white, odourless powder

#### STORAGE CONDITIONS

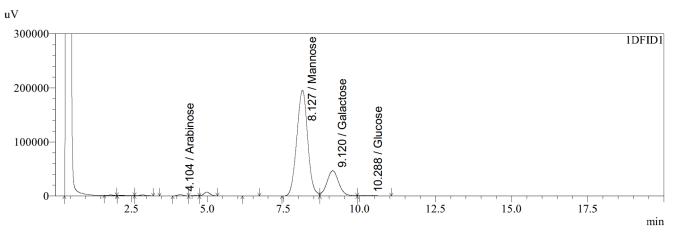
Store dry at room temperature in a well-sealed container. Under these conditions, the product is stable for several years.

## **METHOD OF DISSOLUTION (for 0.2% w/v solution)**

Accurately weigh 0.2 g of carob galactomannan into a 120 ml dry pyrex beaker. Wet the sample with 2 mL of 95% ethanol. Add a magnetic stirrer bar followed by 90 mL of distilled water. Stir the slurry gently on a magnetic stirrer and store at 4°C overnight to allow the polymer to fully hydrate. Place the beaker on a magnetic stirrer-hotplate and heat at a setting of 120°C while vigorously stirring the contents. Loosely cover the beaker with aluminium foil, and when the solution begins to boil, turn the heat off but continue stirring until the galactomannan is completely dissolved (about 20 min). Adjust the volume of the solution to 100 mL.

Solutions of carob galactomannan can be stored at room temperature for several weeks in a well-sealed storage bottle. Microbial contamination is prevented by adding a few drops of toluene to the storage bottle.

Gas liquid chromatography of the alditol acetates derived from hydrolysis and derivatisation of Carob galactomannan (high viscosity) (Lot 10502c).



# **GLC**

A typical polysaccharide sample (~ 10 mg) was hydrolysed using 2 N TFA at 120°C for 60 min. Subsequent sodium borohydride reduction was performed in 1 N NH<sub>4</sub>OH for 90 min at 40°C. The corresponding alditol acetates were prepared using acetic anhydride and 1-methyl imidazole, extracted into DCM and analysed by GC. Chromatography was performed on a Shimadzu GC-2014 with LabSolutions LC/GC 5.42 Software using a Packed glass column (6 ft x 5 mm OD, 3 mm ID) with 3% Silar 10C on W-HP (80-100 mesh). The carrier gas was nitrogen at 225 KPa. Injector temperature; 250°C; Column temperature; 230°C. Detection by FID with 100 KPa  $\rm H_2$  pressure and 50 KPa air pressure.