

PACHYMAN (Lot 10301b) AND CURDLAN (Lot 60201c)

P-PACHY 10/15

CAS NO. 9037-88-1

P-CURDL

CAS NO. 54724-00-4

SOURCE:

Pachyman is a $1,3-\beta$ -D-glucan derived from the sclerotia of *Poria cocos* (a *Basidiomycetes* sp.). It is reported to contain approx. 100% of 1,3-linked D-glucosyl residues.

Curdlan is produced by *Alcaligenes faecalis* var. myxogenes 10C3K. Essentially all of the linkages are $1,3-\beta$ -.

PROPERTIES OF PACHYMAN:

Colour: Off-white powder.

Purity: Contains > 98% D-glucose essentially all of which is $1,3-\beta$ -linked.

Solubility: Insoluble in water at room temperature. Enzyme susceptibility: Hydrolysed by *endo-*1,3-β-glucanase.

PROPERTIES OF CURDLAN:

Colour: White powder.

Purity: Contains > 99% D-glucose essentially all of which is $1,3-\beta$ -linked. Solubility: Insoluble in water. Can be solubilised in 10% sodium hydroxide

Enzyme susceptibility: Resistant to hydrolysis by $endo-1,3-\beta$ -glucanase due to water insolubility of the substrate. Dissolution in sodium hydroxide followed by neutralisation with acetic acid yields an amorphous-type substrate which is more readily attacked by β -glucanase.