

# Boc-Leu-Arg-Arg-AMC (Boc-LRR-AMC)

Cat. # G3100, G3101

**Also Known as:** Boc-LRR-AMC

**NCBI Reference:** N/A

**MW (no tag):** 773.8 Da

**Species:** N/A

**Source:** Synthetic

**Tag:** N/A

**Stock:** Powder

**Solubility:** Soluble in DMSO

**Concentration:** N/A

**Quality Assurance:** >98% by HPLC and NMR

**Description:** Boc-LRR-AMC is a fluorogenic substrate for the trypsin – like activity of the 20S proteasome. Working concentrations of this substrate is 50-200  $\mu$ M. The released AMC can be detected by a fluorimeter or plate reader at excitation/emission wavelengths of 380 nm/460 nm, respectively.

When used to determine proteasome activity in cell lysates, cell lysates that are pre-treated with a proteasome inhibitor such as MG132, PS341 or epoxomicin can be used to determine the fluorescence contributed by other cellular proteases that cleave this substrate. Readings from proteasome inhibitor-treated lysates should be subtracted.

**Storage:** Eligible for room temperature shipping. Store at -20°C upon receiving; avoid multiple freeze-thaw cycles after dissolving in DMSO.

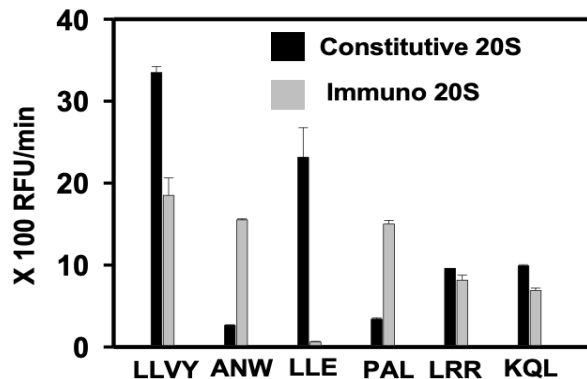
**Protocol:** Users are strongly recommended to optimize conditions based on their needs.

1. Briefly spin the product packing tube using a desktop centrifuge to pellet the powder before removing the cap.
2. Prepare a 50 mM substrate stock in DMSO: add 0.13 mL DMSO to 5 mg Boc-LRR-AMC powder or 0.65 mL DMSO to 25 mg Boc-LRR-AMC powder. Vortex to dissolve. Heat in a water bath at 50 °C to dissolve if necessary.
3. Prepare 1X reaction buffer: 20 mM Tris, pH 7.1 at 37 °C, 50 mM NaCl, and 2 mM beta-macaptomethanol.
4. Prepare 2X substrate (200  $\mu$ M): add 4  $\mu$ l substrate stock prepared in step 2 to 996  $\mu$ l warmed (37 °C) 1X reaction buffer. Vortex to dissolve. Keep at 37 °C.
5. Add 50  $\mu$ l each sample (using less depending on proteasome amounts in your samples) into a 96 well plate. If less than 50  $\mu$ l sample is used, add 1 X reaction buffer to make the sample volume to 50  $\mu$ l. Then add 50  $\mu$ l 2X substrate prepared in step 4. AMC fluorescence should be recorded immediately (see step 6 blow).



6. The plate reader should be set up for recording AMC fluorescence during the preparation of the experiment. We recommend to use a 20-30 min kinetic mode to monitor AMC fluorescence. AMC fluorescence can be monitored using excitation/emission wavelengths at 360 nm/460 nm, respectively.
7. Although proteasomal substrates are preferentially cleaved by proteasomes, other enzymes in cells could cleave them as well. An appropriate control to deduct activities of enzymes other than proteasomes is to include a reaction with 100  $\mu$ M MG132 or another proteasome inhibitor. In this reaction, a sample should be preincubated with MG132 for at least 10 min prior to mix with the fluorogenic substrate.
8. The linear slope value (fluorescence unit per min) can be used to represent proteasome activity of each sample. The slope value of the reaction with MG132 should be subtracted from each sample as the background.

#### Data



#### Figure Legend:

20 nM constitutive (catalog # A1400) or immuno (catalog # A1500) bovine 20S proteasome was incubated with 120 nM PA28beta (catalog # A2200) for 15 min in 20 mM Tris, pH 7.1 at 37  $^{\circ}$ C, 50 mM NaCl, 2 mM bME. Each substrate was prepared in the same buffer at 100  $\mu$ M. Then 50  $\mu$ l constitutive or immune 20S proteasome was mixed with 50  $\mu$ l each of the substrates into a well of a 96-well plate, and AMC fluorescence was recorded immediately in a 20 min kinetic mode using the exciting/emission filter set at 360/460 nm, respectively. Linear slope of each curve was used to represent the 20S proteasome activity. Values from substrate alone were subtracted as background. Error bars represent S.D. of three assays.

#### Note:

Briefly spin the tube before removing the cap.

#### Literature:

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2. Arendt CS, *et al.* (1997) Proc Natl Acad Sci 94(14), 7156 – 7161.
3. Reidlinger J, *et al.* (1997) J Biol Chem 272(40), 24899 – 24905.

