

**Spectrophotometry** <http://aris.gusc.lv/BioThermodynamics/LabSpectr16.pdf>

**TASK:** Determine by spectrophotometer “Jenway” the concentration of riboflavin vitamin B<sub>2</sub> and appreciate sensitivity calculating molar absorption coefficient:

Nr.1, Nr.2, Nr.3, Nr.4, Nr.5, Nr.6.

Calibration graph preparation in Table 1.

1. Standard solution of riboflavin C<sub>riboflavin</sub>=0.04 mg/mL have been prepared in 8 test tubes 10 mL standard solution with distilled water.

2. Calculated concentrations in 8 tubes are fix results in table:  $C_{B_2} = \frac{C_{\text{Riboflavin}} \cdot V_{B_2}}{10\text{mL}}$ .

3. Choose on spectrophotometer “Jenway” wave length  $\lambda = 445 \text{ nm}$  and measure absorption  $A_x = \log(I_0/I)$  of chosen **samples** Nr. \_\_. Use calibration graph from table and read unknown concentration of the **sample** C<sub>x</sub>.

Table of results

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	<b>sample X</b>
V <sub>B2</sub> (mL) C <sub>B2</sub> =0.04	0.5	1.	1.5	2.	2.5	3.	3.5	4.	10	Nr. _____
mL V <sub>water</sub>	9.5	9.	8.5	8.	7.5	7.	6.5	6.	0	
C <sub>B2</sub> ,mg/mL	0,002	0,004	0,006	0,008	0,010	0,012	0,014	0,016	0,036	measure A <sub>x</sub>
Absorption A=log(I <sub>0</sub> /I)	0,091	0,141	0,205	0,285	0,341	0,440	0,510	0,580	1,300	

Concentration of **sample** : C<sub>x</sub> = ..... mg/mL = g/L

Graph for calibration **Beer–Lambert–Bouguer`**s line  $A = a \cdot C \cdot \ell$  crosses zero value  $A = C = 0$  .

On spectrophotometer “Jenway” measure the **sample** for analyze absorption A<sub>x</sub> and calculate its concentration C<sub>x</sub> using the graph (mg/mL).

Give the calculated results for riboflavin content mg%, which shows mg% = mg/100mL • 100% = .....mg%

3. The molar mass of oxidized form riboflavin (B<sub>2</sub> vitamin) is M<sub>B2</sub> = 454.35 g/mol.

<http://aris.gusc.lv/FlavinMonoNucleoB2vitamPO4.Tgf>. Calculate the molarity of B<sub>2</sub> solution C<sub>M</sub>=C<sub>x</sub>/M<sub>B2</sub> and molar absorption factor a M<sup>-1</sup>cm<sup>-1</sup>, if glass cell thickness size is measured. Use the ruler and check the glass cell thickness!  $\ell = 1$  ..... cm or no?

$$C_M = C_x / M_{B_2} = \dots\dots\dots \text{g/L} / 454.35 \dots\dots\dots \text{g/mol} = \dots\dots\dots \text{M}$$

$$a = \frac{A_x}{C_M \cdot \ell}, \text{M}^{-1}\text{cm}^{-1} = \dots\dots\dots = \dots\dots\dots \text{M}^{-1}\text{cm}^{-1}$$

**Fig.** Riboflavin B<sub>2</sub> vitamin

Ox and Red form specter.

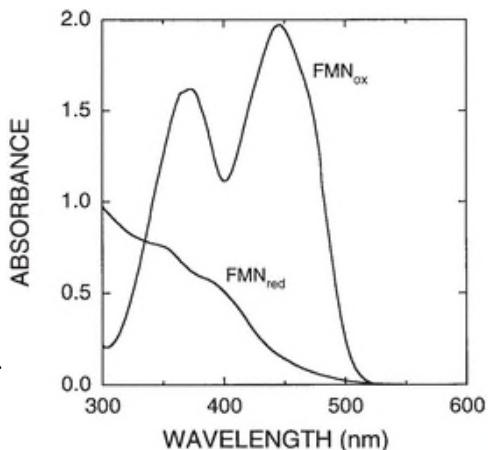
Molar absorption coefficient at  $\lambda = 360 \text{ nm}$

is  $a = 10500 \text{ M}^{-1}\text{cm}^{-1}$  (3) and at  $\lambda = 445 \text{ nm}$

is  $a = 15499 \text{ M}^{-1}\text{cm}^{-1}$  (3).

In some cases the proteins lower the pKa for the N(3)-H (in 10,3 for free flavin) promoting dissociation of proton and lower molar absorption coefficient  $a = 9200 \text{ M}^{-1}\text{cm}^{-1}$  .

Latin *flavus* – yellow.



Biochemical electrons transfer molecules in **oxidation reduction** reactions - vitamins.

Two reducing equivalents transfer **H+H** carriers vitamins **B<sub>2</sub>** and **B<sub>3</sub>** in Biochemistry.

**B<sub>2</sub>** and **B<sub>3</sub>** vitamins are oxidizing - reducing cofactors collaborating with

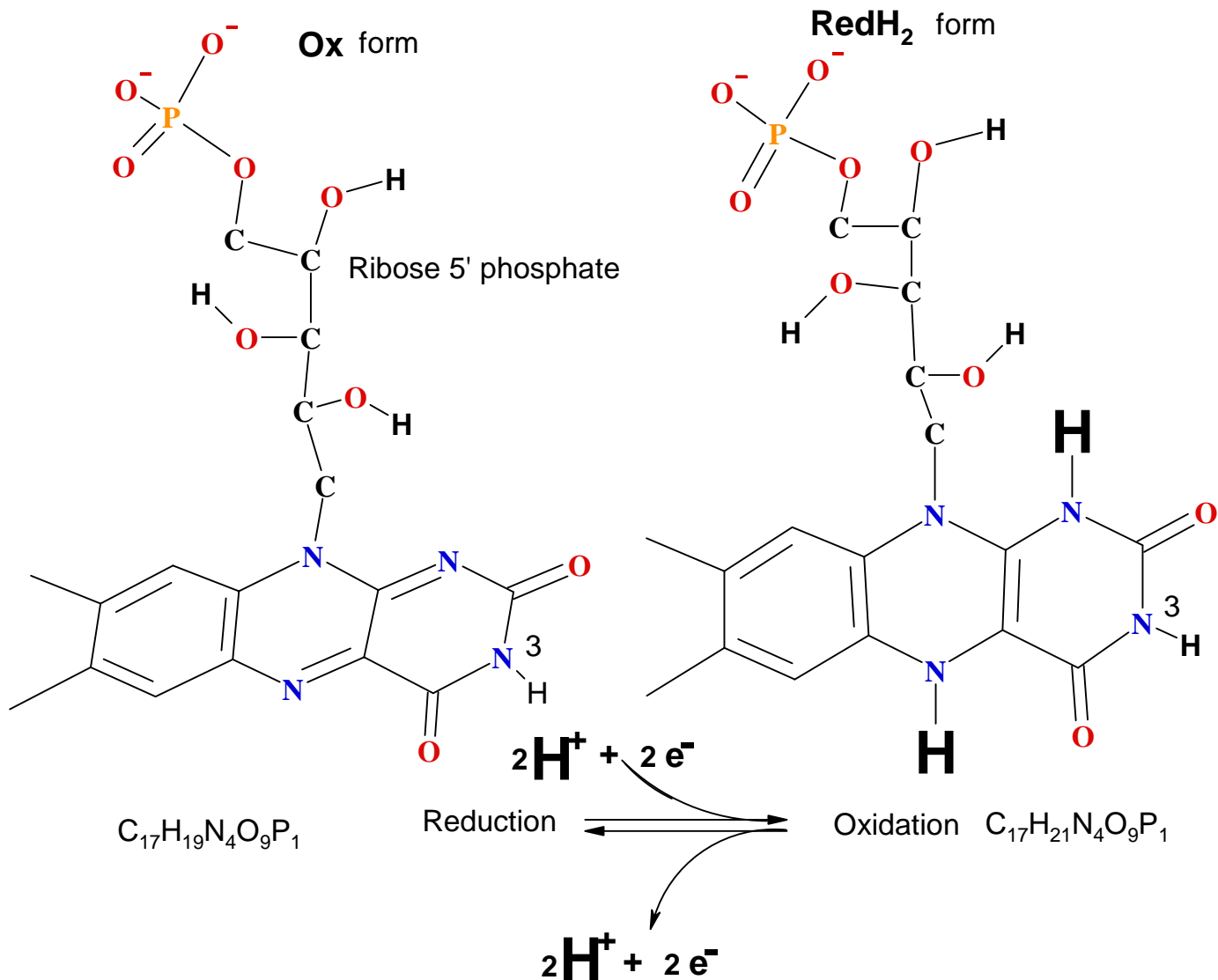
first class E.1 enzymes with **OxidoReductases**.

**B<sub>2</sub>**, **B<sub>3</sub>** are water soluble molecules, which through water medium transfer two electrons  $2e^-$ .

**FMN - Flavin Mono Nucleotide, riboflavin-5'-phosphat, B<sub>2</sub> vitamin**

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Reduction is hydrogen atoms addition:

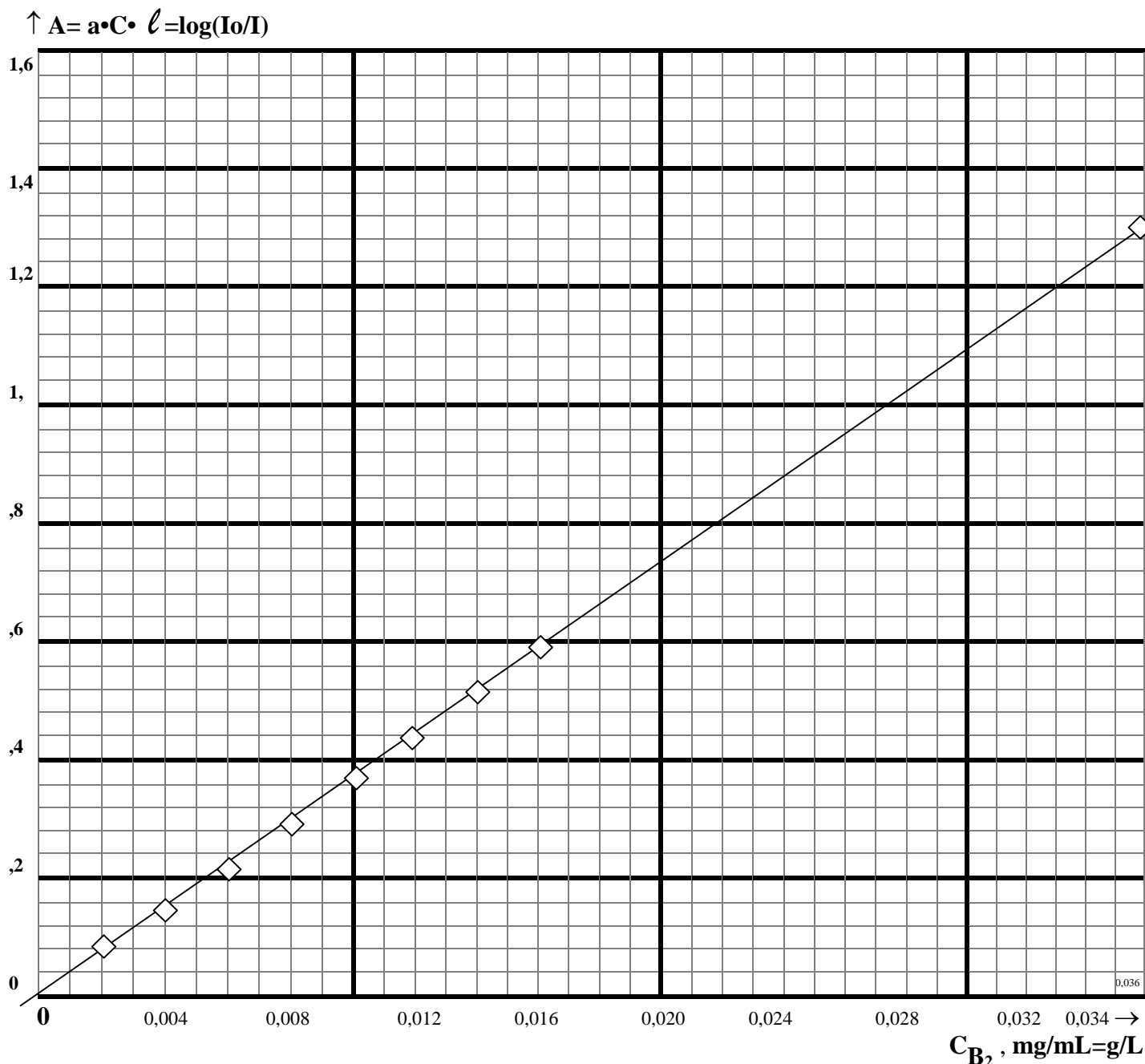
Reduction: **FMN+2 H => FMNH<sub>2</sub>**

Oxidation is hydrogen atoms removing:

Oxidation: **FMNH<sub>2</sub> => FMN + 2 H**

Water soluble two electrons carrier **FMNH<sub>2</sub>** vitamin **B<sub>2</sub>** .

Vitamin **B<sub>2</sub>**, which oxidized form **FMN** we analyze with spectrophotometer “Jenway” is: **driver** of oxidation-reduction reactions as water soluble two electrons carriers, which have been designated about cofactor or vitamin. Vitamins **B<sub>2</sub>** and **B<sub>3</sub>** as cofactors collaborate with first class E.1 enzymes having the common name **OxidoReductases**



## Conclusions

- 1a. Riboflavin  $B_2$  vitamin is 2 H carrier in enzyme class E.1 **OxidoReductases**.....
- 1b. Reduction is: hydrogen addition..... 1c. Oxidation is hydrogen removing.....
2. Light absorption maximums for riboflavin wavelength ..360.....nm and..445.....nm
3. Ratio falling light intensity  $I_0$  over throughout going light  $I$  as logarithm  
absorption measure is  $A_x = \dots\dots$
4. Light absorption calculates as logarithmic expression  $A_x = \log(I_0/I) = \dots\dots\dots$
5. Riboflavin concentration in the sample  $N_r$ ..... exhibits absorption  $A_x = \dots\dots$
6. Beer-Bugeers-Lambert's Law  $A_x = a \cdot C \cdot \ell = \log(I_0/I)$  according light absorption  $A_x$  is  
proportional to vitamin  $B_2$  concentration  $C_x = \dots\dots\dots$ g/L  
Riboflavin Vitamin  $B_2$  molar concentration is  $C_M = \dots\dots\dots$ mol/L.
7. Calculated molar absorbtion coefficient at  $\lambda = 445$  nm is  $a = 15499 \dots\dots\dots M^{-1} cm^{-1}$