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## Thermodynamics of Binding of Divalent Magnesium and Manganese to Uridine Phosphates: Implications for Carbohydrate Biocatalysis

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<b>N</b> ( 12		п	K	ΔG	ΔH	$\Delta S$
Metal	Substrate		$(M^{-1})$	(cal/mol)	(cal/mol)	(cal/mol·T)
$Mg^{+2}$	UTP	$0.991 \pm 0.005$	$14,300 \pm 700$	-5878	$3730 \pm 30$	31.0
$Mg^{+2}$	UDP	$0.990 \pm 0.004$	$3170\pm70$	-4952	$3480 \pm 20$	27.2
$Mg^{+2}$	UMP	$1.07\pm0.07$	$270 \pm 9$	-3430	$570 \pm 10$	12.9
$Mg^{+2}$	UDP-Glc	$0.99\pm0.05$	$250 \pm 20$	-3399	$510 \pm 40$	12.6
$Mg^{+2}$	Glc-1-P	$0.96\pm0.02$	$185 \pm 4$	-3206	$1040 \pm 20$	13.7
$Mg^{+2}$	PPi	$1.030\pm0.006$	$41,000 \pm 2,000$	-6539	$-1770 \pm 10$	15.4
$Mg^{+2}$	UDP-GlcNAc	$0.951 \pm 0.100$	$110 \pm 10$	-2911	$930 \pm 200$	12.4
$Mg^{+2}$	GlcNAc-1-P	$0.775 \pm 0.100$	$180 \pm 20$	-3180	$1000 \pm 100$	13.5
$Mg^{+2}$	GlcNAc	No Binding				
$Mg^{+2}$	Glc		No I	Binding		
$Mg^{+2}$	U	No Binding				
$Mn^{+2}$	UTP	$1.02\pm0.02$	$13,000 \pm 2000$	-5829	$2390 \pm 60$	26.5
$Mn^{+2}$	UDP	$0.998 \pm 0.008$	$2800 \pm 2$	-4885	$2930\pm30$	25.2
$Mn^{+2}$	UMP	$1.01 \pm 0.03$	300 ± 8	-3507	$1640 \pm 30$	16.6
$Mn^{+2}$	UDP-Glc	$1.00\pm0.04$	169 ± 8	-3165	$1550 \pm 80$	15.2
$Mn^{+2}$	Glc-1-P	$1.02\pm0.01$	$340 \pm 7$	-3575	$1760 \pm 20$	17.2
$Mn^{+2}$	PPi	$1.02\pm0.006$	$288,000 \pm 2,200$	-7747	$-5614 \pm 80$	6.9
$Mn^{+2}$	UDP-GlcNAc	$1.21\pm0.03$	$124 \pm 4$	-2979	$1550 \pm 50$	14.6
$Mn^{+2}$	GlcNAc-1-P	$0.98 \pm 0.02$	$179 \pm 4$	-3192	$2510\pm60$	18.4
$Mn^{+2}$	GlcNAc	No Binding				
$Mn^{+2}$	Glc	No Binding				
$Mn^{+2}$	U	No Binding				

**Table S1.** Thermodynamic values for the binding of  $Mg^{+2}$  and  $Mn^{+2}$  to phosphates at 310 K.

<sup>a</sup>Ratio of Metal to Substrate (*n*), binding constant (*K*), free energy ( $\Delta G$ ) as calculated from the free energy relationship  $\Delta G = \Delta H - T\Delta S$ , enthalpy of binding ( $\Delta H$ ), and entropy of binding ( $\Delta S$ ).

**Table S2.** Percentage of phosphates bound to  $Mg^{+2}$  and  $Mn^{+2}$  when the concentration of  $Mg^{+2}$  and  $Mn^{+2}$  is 1.5 mM and 10 nM respectfully at 310 K.

Metal	Substrate	% Bound <sup>a</sup>
Mg <sup>+2</sup>	UTP	96
$Mg^{+2}$	UDP	83
$Mg^{+2}$	UMP	29
$Mg^{+2}$	UDP-Glc	27
$Mg^{+2}$	Glc-1-P	22
$Mg^{+2}$	PPi	98
$Mg^{+2}$	UDP-GlcNAc	14
$Mg^{+2}$	GlcNAc-1-P	21
$Mn^{+2}$	UTP	0
$Mn^{+2}$	UDP	0
$Mn^{+2}$	UMP	0
$Mn^{+2}$	UDP-Glc	0
$Mn^{+2}$	Glc-1-P	0
$Mn^{+2}$	PPi	0
$Mn^{+2}$	UDP-GlcNAc	0
$Mn^{+2}$	GlcNAc-1-P	0

<sup>a</sup>Percentage free uridine phosphate as determined form the binding constant, *K*.



**Figure S1.** Thermogram (top) and binding isotherm (bottom) showing the addition of 75 mM  $MgCl_2$  (syringe, 60 – 2.5 µL injections) into 2.1 mM UTP (cell) in 100 mM HEPES at pH 7.5 and 37 °C.



**Figure S2.** Thermogram (top) and binding isotherm (bottom) showing the addition of 75 mM  $MgCl_2$  (syringe, 120 – 2.5  $\mu$ L injections) into 2.8 mM UDP (cell) in 100 mM HEPES at pH 7.5 and 37 °C.



**Figure S3.** Thermogram (top) and binding isotherm (bottom) showing the addition of 75 mM  $MgCl_2$  (syringe, 120 – 2.5  $\mu$ L injections) into 4.5 mM UMP (cell) in 100 mM HEPES at pH 7.5 and 37 °C.



**Figure S4.** Thermogram (top) and binding isotherm (bottom) showing the addition of 75 mM  $MgCl_2$  (syringe, 40 – 7.5 µL injections) into 5.6 mM UDP-Glc (cell) in 100 mM HEPES at pH 7.5 and 37 °C.



**Figure S5.** Thermogram (top) and binding isotherm (bottom) showing the addition of 75 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub> (syringe,  $120 - 2.5 \mu$ L injections) into 5.1 mM  $\alpha$ -D-glucose-1-phosphate (cell) in 100 mM HEPES at pH 7.5 and 37 °C.



**Figure S6.** Thermogram (top) and binding isotherm (bottom) showing the addition of 4.5 mM  $MgCl_2$  (syringe,  $120 - 2.5 \mu L$  injections) into 0.5 mM pyrophosphate (cell) in 100 mM HEPES at pH 7.5 and 37 °C.



**Figure S7.** Thermogram (top) and binding isotherm (bottom) showing the addition of 75 mM  $MgCl_2$  (syringe, 40 – 7.5 µL injections) into 5 mM UDP-GlcNAc (cell) in 100 mM HEPES at pH 7.5 and 37 °C.



**Figure S8.** Thermogram (top) and binding isotherm (bottom) showing the addition of 75 mM  $MgCl_2$  (syringe, 40 – 7.5 µL injections) into 5 mM GlcNAc-1-P (cell) in 100 mM HEPES at pH 7.5 and 37 °C.



**Figure S9.** Thermogram (top) and binding isotherm (bottom) showing the addition of 75 mM  $MgCl_2$  (syringe 40 \_ 7.5  $\mu$ L injections) into 10 mM GlcNAc (cell) in 100 mM HEPES at pH 7.5 and 37 °C.



**Figure S10.** Thermogram (top) and binding isotherm (bottom) showing the addition of 75 mM  $MgCl_2$  (syringe 40 \_ 7.5  $\mu$ L injections) into 10 mM glucose (cell) in 100 mM HEPES at pH 7.5 and 37 °C.



**Figure S11.** Thermogram (top) and binding isotherm (bottom) showing the addition of 75 mM  $MgCl_2$  (syringe 40 \_ 7.5  $\mu$ L injections) into 10 mM uridine (cell) in 100 mM HEPES at pH 7.5 and 37 °C.



**Figure S12.** Thermogram (top) and binding isotherm (bottom) showing the addition of 75 mM  $MnCl_2$  (syringe, 60 – 2.5 µL injections) into 2.5 mM UTP (cell) in 100 mM HEPES at pH 7.5 and 37 °C.



**Figure S13.** Thermogram (top) and binding isotherm (bottom) showing the addition of 75 mM  $MnCl_2$  (syringe, 120 – 2.5 µL injections) into 7.5 mM UDP (cell) in 100 mM HEPES at pH 7.5 and 37 °C



**Figure S14.** Thermogram (top) and binding isotherm (bottom) showing the addition of 75 mM  $MnCl_2$  (syringe, 120 – 2.5  $\mu$ L injections) into 4.9 mM UMP (cell) in 100 mM HEPES at pH 7.5 and 37 °C.



**Figure S15.** Thermogram (top) and binding isotherm (bottom) showing the addition of 75 mM  $MnCl_2$  (syringe, 40 – 7.5 µL injections) into 4.7 mM UDP-Glc (cell) in 100 mM HEPES at pH 7.5 and 37 °C.



**Figure S16.** Thermogram (top) and binding isotherm (bottom) showing the addition of 75 mM  $MnCl_2$  (syringe,  $120 - 2.5 \mu L$  injections) into 5.5 mM  $\alpha$ -D-glucose-1-phosphate (cell) in 100 mM HEPES at pH 7.5 and 37 °C.



**Figure S17.** Thermogram (top) and binding isotherm (bottom) showing the addition of 4.5 mM  $MnCl_2$  (syringe,  $30 - 10 \,\mu$ L injections) into 0.5 mM pyrophosphate (cell) in 100 mM HEPES at pH 7.5 and 37 °C.



**Figure S18.** Thermogram (top) and binding isotherm (bottom) showing the addition of 75 mM  $MnCl_2$  (syringe, 40 – 7.5 µL injections) into 5 mM UDP-GlcNAc (cell) in 100 mM HEPES at pH 7.5 and 37 °C.



**Figure S19.** Thermogram (top) and binding isotherm (bottom) showing the addition of 75 mM  $MnCl_2$  (syringe, 40 – 7.5 µL injections) into 5 mM GlcNAc-1-P (cell) in 100 mM HEPES at pH 7.5 and 37 °C.



**Figure S20.** Thermogram (top) and binding isotherm (bottom) showing the addition of 75 mM  $MnCl_2$  (syringe 40 \_ 7.5  $\mu$ L injections) into 10 mM GlcNAc (cell) in 100 mM HEPES at pH 7.5 and 37 °C.



**Figure S21.** Thermogram (top) and binding isotherm (bottom) showing the addition of 75 mM  $MnCl_2$  (syringe 40 – 7.5  $\mu$ L injections) into 10 mM glucose (cell) in 100 mM HEPES at pH 7.5 and 37 °C.



**Figure S22.** Thermogram (top) and binding isotherm (bottom) showing the addition of 75 mM  $MnCl_2$  (syringe 40 – 7.5  $\mu$ L injections) into 10 mM uridine (cell) in 100 mM HEPES at pH 7.5 and 37 °C.