

Table 3: Kinetic Constants of Activation and Misactivation by LeuRS and LeuRS-B^a

enzymes	substrate	K_m (mM)	k_{cat} (s ⁻¹)	k_{cat}/K_m (s ⁻¹ mM ⁻¹)	discrimination factor
					$(k_{cat}/K_m)_{Leu}/$ $(k_{cat}/K_m)_{Met\ or\ Ile}$
LeuRS	Leu	0.052	171	3.3×10^3	
	Met	7.5	19	2.5	1.3×10^3
	Ile	3.5	18	5.1	6.5×10^2
LeuRS-B	Leu	0.069	101	1.5×10^3	
	Met	6.2	7.6	1.2	1.3×10^3
	Ile	2.8	6.9	2.5	6.0×10^2

^a ATP-PP_i exchange kinetics of enzymes were determined in the presence of 0.02–0.2 mM leucine and 5–50 mM methionine or isoleucine. All the data in this table were the average values with a variation of <10% from three independent determinations. The discrimination factors were calculated from the equation $D_{Met\ or\ Ile} = (k_{cat}/K_m)_{Leu}/(k_{cat}/K_m)_{Met\ or\ Ile}$.