

## Technical Information about P¹- (5'- [1, N⁵- Ethenoadenosyl])- P⁴- (5'- [1, N⁵- ethenoadenosyl])- tetraphosphate (ε-Ap₄-ε-A / ε-Apppp-ε-A)

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## Abbreviation:

## $\epsilon$ -Ap<sub>4</sub>- $\epsilon$ -A / $\epsilon$ -Apppp- $\epsilon$ -A

Formula	CAS No.	Molecular Weight	UV	BIOLOG Cat.No.
C <sub>24</sub> H <sub>28</sub> N <sub>10</sub> O <sub>19</sub> P <sub>4</sub> (free acid)	[96920-51-3]	884.4 (free acid)	$\lambda_{\text{max}}$ 275 nm / $\epsilon$ 10800 / pH 7	E 030

Name: P1- (5'- [1, N6- Ethenoadenosyl])- P4- (5'- [1, N6- ethenoadenosyl])- tetraphosphate

**Description:** ε-Ap<sub>4</sub>-ε-A is a fluorescent modification of the naturally occurring dinucleoside polyphosphate Ap<sub>4</sub>A, where two adenosine moieties are linked via their 5' positions by four phosphate groups. Both adenine nucleobases are modified by fluorescent etheno groups.

**Properties:** The etheno groups of  $\epsilon$ -Ap<sub>4</sub>- $\epsilon$ -A fluoresce with  $\lambda_{exc}$  307 nm and  $\lambda_{em}$  410 nm.

**Specification:** Lyophilized or crystallized sodium salt. The free acid or other salt forms are available upon request. Equal concentrations of ε-Ap<sub>4</sub>-ε-A can appear very different in volume due to sensitivity of the lyophilized form to humidity. The compound can even contract to small volume droplets. Normally the product is located in the conical bottom of the tube. Micromolar quantities are determined by UV at λmax.

Purity: Typical analysis is better than 95% (HPLC / UV / 275 nm). The product is not sterile and has not been tested for endotoxins.

**Solubility:** ε-Ap<sub>4</sub>-ε-A has good solubility in water and aqueous buffers (≥ 10 mM, limits have not been determined). Please rinse tube walls carefully and preferably use ultrasonic or vortex to achieve total and uniform mixing. When opening the tube please make sure that no substance is lost within the cap.

**Stability and Storage:** ε-Ap<sub>4</sub>-ε-A has sufficient stability at room temperature and does not need special care during handling or shipment. Nevertheless, we recommend that the compound should be protected from light, stored in the freezer, for longer storage periods preferably in freeze-dried form.

**Toxicity and Safety:** Please keep in mind that the *in vivo* properties of this compound are not sufficiently characterized up to now. Avoid skin contact or ingestion and allow only trained personnel to handle the product.

Our products are designed, developed and sold for research purposes only. They are intended for *in vitro* and nonhuman *in vivo* laboratory applications. Any other use requires approval of health authorities.

Not for drug, household or related uses!

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## Selected References for ε-Ap<sub>4</sub>-ε-A:

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