Catalog Number: 100493, 104809

# Coenzyme A

### Structure (lithium salt):

Free acid, trihydrate

C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>36</sub>N<sub>7</sub>O<sub>16</sub>P<sub>2</sub>S·3H<sub>2</sub>O

821.4

85-61-0

Trilithium salt, dihydrate

C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>33</sub>Li<sub>3</sub>N<sub>7</sub>O<sub>16</sub>P<sub>3</sub>S · 2H<sub>2</sub>O 821.4

18439-24-2

Molecular Weight: CAS #:

Molecular Formula:

Physical Description: White crystalline powder

## Solubility:

Free acid: Soluble in water (50 mg/ml - clear, colorless to faint yellow solution)

Trilithium salt: Soluble in water (50 mg/ml - clear, colorless to faint yellow solution)

**Description:** An essential cofactor in enzymatic acetyl transfer reactions.<sup>1</sup>

The principal biologically active forms of pantothenic acid are coenzyme A (CoA) and acyl carrier protein (ACP). In CoA, the business center of the molecule is the pantothenic acid metabolite 4'-phosphopantetheine. Coenzyme A is comprised of 4'-phosphopantetheine linked by an anhydride bond to the nucloetide adenosine 5'-monophosphate. 4'-Phosphopantetheine itself is comprised of pantothenic acid linked at one end, via an amide bond, to beta-mercaptoethylamine, derived from L-cysteine, and at the other end to a phosphate group. The sulfhydryl group of 4'-phosphopantetheine, which is the business end of the coenzyme, forms thioesters with acyl groups producing acyl-CoA derivatives, including acetyl-CoA.<sup>2</sup>

Coenzyme A may facilitate removal of lipid peroxides by increasing mobilization of fatty acids, and promote repair of plasma membranes by activating phospholipid synthesis.<sup>2</sup>

#### **Availability:**

Catalog Number	Description	Size
100493	Coenzyme A, trilithium salt, dihydrate	10 mg
		25 mg
		50 mg
		100 mg
		250 mg
		500 mg
		1 g
104809	Coenzyme A, free acid, trihydrate	10 mg
		50 mg
		100 mg
		500 mg

#### References:

- 1. Merck Index, 12th Ed., No. 2531.
- 2. www.pdrhealth.com