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# **ProductInformation**

GUANOSINE 5'-TRIPHOSPHATE SODIUM SALT HYDRATE Sigma Prod. No. G8877 Storage Temperature –20° C

**CAS NUMBER:** 36051-31-7

SYNONYMS: GTP

# **PHYSICAL PROPERTIES:**

Appearance: White, lyophilized powder

Formula:  $C_{10}H_{13}N_5O_{14}P_3Na_3$ 

Formula weight: 523.2 (free acid)

 $E^{mM}(253nm) = 13.7 (0.1 M Phosphate buffer at pH$ 

7.0)

pK<sub>a</sub> values: 3.3, 6.3, 9.3<sup>1</sup>

## **METHOD OF PREPARATION:**

Guanosine 5'-triphosphate is prepared by enzymatic phosphorylation of guanosine 5'-monophosphate and purified by ion exchange chromatography.

## **DESCRIPTION:**

GTP functions as a carrier of phosphates and pyrophosphates involved in channeling chemical energy into specific biosynthetic pathways. It also serves as an energy-rich precursor of mononucleotide units in the enzymatic biosynthesis of DNA and RNA.<sup>2</sup>

# STABILITY / STORAGE AS SUPPLIED:

This product is routinely shipped on dry ice. Storage at -20°C is recommended.

Guanosine 5'-Triphosphate is a very unstable compound. It decomposes at least 2% within 6 months when stored at -0°C and at least 4% within one year stored at -0°C. 2% decomposition occurred within four days when stored at 37°C.

These data were obtained from samples stored at -0°C. We highly recommend storing this product at S20°C to achieve greater shelf-life.

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## **SOLUBILITY / SOLUTION STABILITY:**

Sigma routinely tests the solubility at 100 mg/mL in water yielding a clear, colorless solution. It is best to prepare GTP solutions immediately before use. If a stock solution is required, we recommended preparing a 10 mg/mL solution in water and storing aliquots at -20°C. The stock solution should be kept 3-6 months at most.

## **REFERENCES:**

- 1. Data for Biochemical Research, 3rd ed., 88-89 (1987).
- 2. Lehninger, A.L, Biochemistry, 2nd ed., 316 (1977).

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