

3'-O-Me-m<sup>7</sup>G(5')ppp(5')G  
RNA Cap  
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3'-O-Me-m<sup>7</sup>G(5')ppp(5')G Sodium Salt

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elimination of the cap structure causes a loss of stability, especially against exonuclease degradation (5), and a decrease in the formation of the initiation complex of mRNAs for protein synthesis (5,6). Certain prokaryotic mRNAs containing a 5' terminal cap structure are translated as efficiently as or more efficiently than eukaryotic mRNAs in a eukaryotic cell-free protein synthesizing system (6). Also a cap requirement has been observed for splicing eukaryotic substrate RNAs (7).

A method using *E. coli* RNA Polymerase primed with m<sup>7</sup>G(5')ppp(5')G or m<sup>7</sup>G(5')ppp(5')A for an efficient *in vitro* synthesis of capped RNAs has been developed by Contreas (8). Larger amounts of capped RNAs are produced by transcription systems using SP6 RNA Polymerase primed with m<sup>7</sup>G(5')ppp(5')G (7).

**Quality Controls**

The purity and identity of 3'-O-Me-m<sup>7</sup>G(5')ppp(5')G (ARCA) is  $\geq$  95% as determined by HPLC analysis and mass spec respectively.

The RNA Cap Structure Analog is functionally tested for recognition by an RNA Polymerase and its incorporation into a run-off transcript.

**Molecular Formula:** C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>32</sub>N<sub>10</sub>O<sub>18</sub>P<sub>3</sub> (Free Acid)

**Molecular Weight:** 817.47 g/mol (Free acid)

**Extinction Coefficient:**  $\lambda_{260} = \sim 19,000$  Lmol<sup>-1</sup> cm<sup>-1</sup>

**Note:** Addition of 100  $\mu$ l water gives approximately a 10 mM solution.

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