

## Product Specifications

Custom Oligo Synthesis, antisense oligos, RNA oligos, chimeric oligos, Fluorescent dyes, Affinity Ligands, Spacers & Linkers, Duplex Stabilizers, Minor bases, labeled oligos, Molecular Beacons, siRNA, phosphonates Locked Nucleic Acids (LNA); 2'-5' linked Oligos

## Oligo Modifications

For research use only. Not for use in diagnostic procedures for clinical purposes.

## ddA-3'

Category **End Blockers** Base ddA-3 Modification Code Reference Catalog Number 26-6337A 5 Prime Ν 3 Prime Υ Internal Ν Molecular Weight(mw) 273.19 dideoxy Adenosine 3' [26-6337A-XX]

Dideoxycytosine (ddA) is a dideoxyribonucleoside, and is a synthetic analog of deoxyadenosine. The difference between the two is that, in ddA, both the 2'- and 3'-positions of the ribose have a hydrogen (-H) group substituted for the -OH group, whereas in dA, only the 2'-position is so substituted.

ddA is generally used in two applications. First, to block the 3'-end of oligonucleotides to prevent their extension by a polymerase in a PCR reaction or PCR-based assay. For example, 3'ddA-blocked oligos can be used in microarray-based DNA re-sequencing (1). ddC is also used to block the 3'-end of 5'-adenylated oligos (5'-App) that are used as adapters in miRNA library generation. Blocking the 3'-end in this manner prevents the oligo from either circularization (by self-ligation) or concatemerization to other 5'-App oligos (2). **References** 

- 1. Sram, J., Sommer, S.S., Liu, Q. Microarray-based DNA re-sequencing using 3' blocked primers. *Anal. Biochem.* (2008), **3744**: 41-47.
- 2. Lau, N.C., Lim, L.P., Weinstein, E.G., Bartel, D.P. An abundant class of tiny RNAs with probable regulatory roles in Caenorhabditis elegans. *Science* (2001), **294**: 858-862.

