## 5-(2-Furyl)-dU CEP Product No. BA 0346

## **Product Information**

 $C_{43}H_{49}N_4O_9P$ Mol. Wt.: 796.86

Small, fluorescent natural base mimic that can signal the presence of abasic sites in hybridized DNA oligonucleotides.

Tor and co-workers have reported on the preparation and photophysical characteristics of a number of small, fluorescent isosteric nucleosides that are capable of normal Watson-Crick base paring in unaltered duplexes. <sup>1-6</sup> These probes are useful tools for studying nucleic acid sequence, structure, dynamics and recognition. BA 0346 is the phosphoramidite of one such nucleoside. <sup>1,2</sup> This probe is an isosteric mimic of thymidine and has been shown to pair with adenine to form a stable duplex.

The fluorescence of the furano-pyrimidine is subject to emission wavelength and/or intensity variations, depending upon its micro-environment. For example, DNA probes constructed to contain BA 0346 at a selected sequence position show a significant emission enhancement when hybridization results in an opposing abasic residue as compared to an opposing adenine residue. This property makes BA 0346 useful for the preparation of probes that are designed to detect sequence-specific depurination and depyrimidination.

**Use:** For oligonucleotide synthesis, employ acetonitrile diluent at the concentration recommended by the synthesizer manufacturer. Use standard coupling protocols; in our hands, extended coupling times were not required and coupling efficiencies of 99% could be obtained. Cleavage from the solid support may be carried out by standard procedures. Standard nucleobase deprotection conditions may be employed.

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