

## **PAPEth (16:0/20:4 PEth)**

Catalog number: L-6024

**Molecular Formula:** C<sub>41</sub>H<sub>76</sub>NO<sub>8</sub>P

**MW:** 742.02

CAS#: 1220714-02-2

**Alternate Name**: 1-Pamitoyl-2-arachidonoyl-sn-glycero-3-phosphoethanol, Phosphatidylethanol

Solubility: chloroform, methanol >1 mg/mL

**Storage and Handling:** Phosphatidylethanol (PEth) is stable for at least one year when stored as a solid, protected from moisture, and light at -20°C. Reconstitute with methanol and dilute with water or neutral pH, buffered salt solutions, i.e. PBS, TBS, etc. Storage in basic (pH > 9) or acidic (pH < 4) buffers will result in slow decomposition of the product. After reconstitution, solutions of PEth should be stored at -20°C between uses. PEth is stable for at least three months when handled in this way. Repeated freeze/thaw cycles do not affect PEth. Do not store reconstituted PEth at 4°C for more than 2-3 days.

**Background:** Phosphatidylethanol (PEth) is formed primarily in the liver by transphosphatidylation of phosphatidylcholine (PC) by phospholipase D. PEth is associated with lipoprotein particles VLDL and HDL, transferred between lipoproteins, and PEth-lipoprotein complexes may have a protective effect against atherogenesis by promoting VEGF secretion by SMC and endothelium. Most PEth (about 75%) is incorporated into erythrocyte membranes and is the longest-lived circulating EtOH metabolite yet identified.

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