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Supplementary Material for

Purple Acid Phosphatase: A Di-iron Enzyme that Catalyzes a Direct Phospho Group Transfer to Water

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Enzymes. Purple acid phosphatase (PAP) was isolated from bovine spleen.¹ The enzyme was stored at 4° C and was stable for weeks. All other enzymes were purchased from Boehringer Mannheim Biochemicals (Indianapolis, IN) and were rid of small molecules by ultrafiltration using Centricon-10 units (Amicon, Danvers, MA). The enzymes were subjected to repeated concentration and dilution into 100 mM triethanolamine·HCl buffer, pH 7.6, containing EDTA (1 mM) and, when glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase was present, dithiothreitol (1 mM).

*Chemicals.*² Triethanolamine, ATP_γS (tetralithium salt), NAD⁺ (sodium salt), NADH, pyruvic acid, 2-mercaptoethanol and EDTA (tetrasodium salt) were purchased from Sigma Chemical Co. (St. Louis, MO). Dithiothreitol, ADP (disodium salt), ATP (trisodium salt), fructose 1,6-bisphosphate (disodium salt), AMP (disodium salt), and glucose 6-phosphate (disodium salt) were purchased from Boehringer Mannheim Biochemicals (Indianapolis, IN). AG 1-X8 and Chelex 100 were purchased from Bio-Rad Laboratories (Richmond, CA). DE-52 was purchased from Whatman BioSystems (Maidstone, UK). 2-(4-Morpholino)-ethane sulfonic acid (MES) was purchased from Eastman Kodak (Rochester, NY). Sodium periodate was

purchased from Mallinckrodt, Inc. (Paris, KY). Potassium hydroxide, Celite, triethylamine, pyridine, methanol, acetonitrile, dichloromethane, 1,4-dioxane, *p*-toluenesulfonic acid, sulfur, and sodium potassium tartrate were purchased from Fisher Chemical Co. (Fairlawn, NJ). The H₂¹⁷O was purchased from Monsanto Research Laboratories (Miamisburg, OH). All other chemicals were purchased from Aldrich Chemical Co. (Milwaukee, WI).

Pyridine, tri-*n*-butylamine, tri-*n*-octylamine, and dichloromethane were distilled from calcium hydride before use. DMF was distilled *in vacuo* from barium oxide directly onto activated 4Å molecular sieves (Union Carbide, South Plainfield, NJ). Dioxane was distilled from sodium. Triethylamine was distilled just prior to preparation of TEAB buffer. Diphenyl chlorophosphate was distilled *in vacuo* immediately prior to use. Phosphorus trichloride was distilled under argon immediately prior to use.

HPLC. A Waters Associates (Milford, MA) system, consisting of one M-6000 pump, one M-45 pump, a model 680 gradient controller, and a U6K injector, was used. Isocratic elution of a C₁₈ Bondpak column (Waters) with 15% acetonitrile/water was used to monitor the conversion of [5'-¹⁸O]2',3'-isopropylideneadenosine into [5'-¹⁸O]adenosine; detection was by A₂₅₄ nm using a model 441 absorbance detector (Waters). Isocratic elution of a column (HR 5/5) of Mono Q (Pharmacia-LKB, Piscataway, NJ) with 0.7 M ammonium phosphate buffer, pH 4, was used to monitor the conversion of S_P-ATPα¹⁷O₂,α¹⁸O,αS into 2',3'-methoxymethylideneadenosine³; detection was by A₂₅₄ nm.

Spectroscopy. ³¹P NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker WM-300 instrument; chemical shifts are referenced to external 85% phosphoric acid (downfield is positive). ¹H NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker AM-300 or AM-400 instruments. Enzymatic reactions were monitored and chromatography fractions were assayed enzymatically (when indicated) by monitoring the change in absorbance at 340 nm due to production or consumption of NADH. Adenosine and adenosine nucleotides were detected in column fractions and quantitated using the A₂₆₀ nm ($\epsilon_{260 \text{ nm}} = 15000 \text{ M}^{-1}\text{cm}^{-1}$). A Perkin-Elmer 554, Hewlett-Packard 8452A, or Cary 3 spectrophotometer was used.

Determination of the Site of Hydrolytic Attack. ATP γ S (8.7 mg, 16 μ mol) was dissolved in 250 mM MES-KOH buffer, pH 6.2, (400 μ L) containing H₂¹⁸O (200 μ L, 95% ¹⁸O) and PAP (30 μ g, 750 pmol). The reaction was monitored by ³¹P NMR. At 75% reaction (3 h), D₂O (1 mL) was added, and the pH was raised to 13 with KOH (one small pellet). An incubation without PAP showed no significant hydrolysis of ATP γ S. The ³¹P NMR spectrum showed the products of the reaction to be AMP, inorganic phosphate, and inorganic thiophosphate. Both the inorganic thiophosphate and the inorganic phosphate displayed isotopic shifting due to the presence of ¹⁸O.⁴ The two inorganic thiophosphate resonances were at 32.22 ppm ([¹⁶O₃]thiophosphate) and 32.19 ppm ([¹⁶O₂¹⁸O]thiophosphate) and were present in the ratio 1.1:1 (quantitation by peak intensities), corresponding to 53% ¹⁶O and 47% ¹⁸O. Based upon the volume of ¹⁸O added, the predicted composition is 52.5% [¹⁶O]thiophosphate and 47.5% [¹⁶O₂,¹⁸O]thiophosphate.

[¹⁸O]Benzoic acid. Freshly distilled benzoyl chloride (580 μ L; 5 mmol) was dissolved in dioxane (1 mL), and [¹⁸O]H₂O (1 g; 95% ¹⁸O) was added. The solution was sealed, placed in a dessicator, and incubated for 40 h in a water bath at 85° C. HCl and water were removed from the resultant white solid by evaporation of three portions of added dioxane under reduced pressure. The isotopic content was determined by mass spectrometry (EI ionization): *m/s* (M⁺) 124 (20.6%), 125 (6.7%), 126 (65.0%), 127 (7.7%); these data correspond to 13% ¹⁶O and 87% ¹⁸O. The yield was quantitative.

*5'-O-Benzoyl-2',3'-isopropylidene[5'-¹⁸O]adenosine.*⁵ 2',3'-Isopropylideneadenosine (1.23 g, 4 mmol) and triphenylphosphine (1.31 g, 5 mmol) were dried by evaporation under reduced pressure of two portions of added dioxane; these dried reagents were suspended in dioxane (10 mL). The [¹⁸O]benzoic acid (5 mmol) was dissolved in dioxane (15 mL) containing diethyl azodicarboxylate (787 μ L; 5 mmol). This solution was added dropwise over 1 h to the suspension of 2',3'-isopropylideneadenosine and triphenylphosphine, and the reaction mixture was stirred under argon. After 20 h, thin layer chromatography over silica gel eluting with

dichloromethane-methanol (9:1 (v/v)) showed complete conversion of 2',3'-isopropylideneadenosine to 5'-*O*-benzoyl-2',3'-isopropylideneadenosine. Methanol (2 mL) was added, and the solvent was removed by evaporation under reduced pressure. The product was purified by flash chromatography over silica gel, eluting with dichloromethane:methanol (19:1 (v/v)). Fractions containing impurities were again subjected to chromatography. Fractions containing pure product were combined, and the solvent was removed by evaporation under reduced pressure. Methanol was removed by repeated evaporation of added dichloromethane under reduced pressure. The yield of 5'-*O*-benzoyl-2',3'-isopropylidene[5'-¹⁸O]adenosine was 1.66g (4 mmol; 100%). Mass spectrometric analysis (fast atom bombardment) was consistent with complete retention of ¹⁸O.⁶

¹H NMR (300 MHz; CDCl₃) δ: 1.42 (3H, s); 1.64 (3H, s); 4.49 (1H, m); 4.63 (2H, m); 5.20 (1H, dd, J = 6 Hz, 3 Hz); 5.60 (1H, dd, J = 6 Hz, 3 Hz); 6.82 (2H, br s); 7.34 (2H, dd, J = 1 Hz, 7 Hz); 7.49 (1H, td, J = 1 Hz, 7 Hz); 7.89 (2H, dd, J = 1 Hz, 7 Hz); 7.94 (1H, s); 8.31 (1H, s).

[5'-¹⁸O]Adenosine. The 5'-*O*-benzoyl-2',3'-isopropylidene[5'-¹⁸O]adenosine was dissolved in methanol (10 mL). Ammonia (15 M, 5 mL) was added, and the solution was stirred for 20 h. A white precipitate readily dissolved upon addition of dichloromethane, and thin layer chromatography over silica gel eluting with dichloromethane-methanol (9:1 (v/v)) showed that all starting material had been cleanly converted into 2',3'-isopropylideneadenosine. The solvent was removed by evaporation under reduced pressure, and traces of ammonia and water were removed by evaporation of added methanol and dichloromethane under reduced pressure. The resultant white solid was suspended in 10% acetic acid/water and brought to reflux under argon; all of the solid dissolved. After 9 h, analysis by reverse-phase HPLC (as described above) revealed that the formation of [5'-¹⁸O]adenosine was essentially complete. The reaction mixture was diluted with water (100 mL) and washed with diethyl ether (2 x 50 mL). The solvent was removed by evaporation under reduced pressure, and the resultant solid was dissolved in water (300 mL). The adenosine was then purified by chromatography over AG 1-X8 (hydroxide form), eluting with a linear gradient (790 mL + 1000 mL)⁷ of methanol in water (0-100%).³ Product-bearing fractions were identified by A_{260 nm}; they were combined, and the solvent was removed by evaporation under reduced pressure. The residue was dissolved in water, and this solution was lyophilized.

Mass spectrometric analysis (fast atom bombardment) was consistent with complete retention of ^{18}O .⁶ The yield of $[5\text{'-}^{18}\text{O}]$ adenosine was 0.97 g (3.6 mmol; 90%).

2',3'-methoxymethylidene[5'- ^{18}O]adenosine. $[5\text{'-}^{18}\text{O}]$ adenosine (0.97 g, 3.6 mmol) and *p*-toluenesulfonic acid was dried by evaporation of added DMF (2 x 10 mL) under reduced pressure. These reagents were then dissolved in DMF (10 mL), and trimethylorthoformate (600 μL , 5.5 mmol) was added; the solution was stirred under argon. After 27 h, thin layer chromatography over silica gel eluting with dichloromethane-methanol (9:1 (v/v)) revealed that the reaction was complete. Sodium methylate (0.34 g; 6.3 mmol) was added, and the solvent was removed by evaporation under reduced pressure. The resultant cloudy syrup was filtered through Celite, and the filter cake was washed exhaustively with dichloromethane-methanol (19:1 (v/v)). The solvent was removed by evaporation under reduced pressure, and the resultant syrup was subjected to flash chromatography over silica gel eluting with dichloromethane-methanol (19:1 (v/v)). The solvent was removed by evaporation under reduced pressure, with DMF added as needed to maintain the product in solution. After all dichloromethane had been removed, traces of methanol were removed by evaporation of added DMF (2 x 5 mL) under reduced pressure. The yield of *2',3'-methoxymethylidene[5'- ^{18}O]adenosine* was 1.03 g (3.3 mmol; 92%).

^1H NMR (400 MHz; DMSO) δ : 3.24 (3H, d, $J = 0.7$ Hz), 3.37 (3H, d, $J = 0.7$ Hz), 3.55 (m, 4H), 4.21 (1H, dd, $J = 6$ Hz, 8 Hz), 4.28 (1H, dd, $J = 6, 8$), 4.99 (1H, dd, $J = 3$ Hz, 7 Hz), 5.08 (1H, dd, $J = 3$ Hz, 6 Hz), 5.18 (1H, dd, $J = 6$ Hz, 6 Hz), 5.24 (1H, $J = 6$ Hz, 6 Hz), 5.44 (1H, dd, $J = 3$ Hz, 6 Hz), 5.49 (1H, dd, $J = 3$ Hz, 6 Hz), 6.09 (1H, s), 6.16 (1H, d, $J = 3$ Hz), 6.19 (1H, s), 6.27 (1H, d, $J = 3$ Hz), 7.40 (2 H, br s), 8.17 (1H, s), 8.18 (1H, s), 8.36 (1H, s), 8.40 (1H, s).

Adenosine 5'-[$^{17}\text{O}_2,^{18}\text{O}$]phosphorothioate. This synthesis is shown in Figure 1. The *2',3'-methoxymethylidene[5'- ^{18}O]adenosine* (1.0 g, 3.3 mmol) was suspended in dichloromethane (20 mL) containing tri-*n*-butylamine (1.0 mL, 4.2 mmol), and the mixture was cooled in a dry ice-acetone bath. Phosphorus trichloride (320 μL , 3.7 mmol) was added, and the reaction was stirred under argon; the dry ice-acetone bath was not replenished. After 4 h, the solution was at room temperature, and all solid had dissolved. The solvent was removed by evaporation under reduced pressure. The resultant yellow oil was suspended in pyridine (10 mL), and $[^{17}\text{O}]\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (300 μL ; 17 mmol; 20.7% ^{16}O , 48.6% ^{17}O , 30.7% ^{18}O) was added. A gummy

precipitate formed then redissolved as the reaction proceeded. After 14 h, the solvent was removed by evaporation under reduced pressure. The resultant yellow oil was dried by evaporation of added pyridine (10 mL) under reduced pressure and then suspended in pyridine (20 mL). Bis(trimethylsilyl)acetamide (2.7 mL, 11 mmol) was added, and all material immediately entered solution. Elemental sulfur (0.18 g; 5.6 mmol atom) was added. After 2.5 h, the reaction was complete as judged by ^{31}P NMR. Water (5 mL) was added, and the solvent was removed by evaporation under reduced pressure. The resultant solution was diluted with 1 M ammonia (20 mL), and the cloudy solution (pH 9.4) was passed through a 0.2 μm filter (Nalge Company, Rochester, NY). The filtrate was reduced in volume by evaporation under reduced pressure, and the pH was adjusted to 2.0 with hydrochloric acid. The solution clouded at pH 3.6, then it slowly cleared. After 1 h, the solution was adjusted to pH 7.8 with ammonia. The solution was then subjected to chromatography over DE-52 (HCO_3^- form), eluting with a linear gradient (1 L + 1 L) of TEAB, pH 8 (50-250 mM; 4° C). Fractions bearing adenosine 5'-[$^{17}\text{O}_2$, ^{18}O]phosphorothioate were identified by the absorbance at 260 nm. Colorimetric assay using 5,5'-dithiobis(2-nitro)benzoic acid (DTNB) was also performed (Richard & Frey, 1982), allowing the exclusion of fractions bearing AMP and the identification of fractions bearing inorganic thiophosphate. Product-bearing fractions were combined, and solvent was removed by evaporation under reduced pressure. Buffer salts were removed by evaporation of two volumes of added water under reduced pressure; the pH was kept basic by addition of ammonia as needed. The yield of adenosine 5'-[$^{17}\text{O}_2$, ^{18}O]phosphorothioate was 1.6 mmol (47%). ^{31}P NMR (121 MHz, H_2O) δ : 44.77, 44.76, 44.74, 44.72 (all broad).

S_P-ADP $\alpha^{17}\text{O}_2, \alpha^{18}\text{O}, \alpha\text{S}$ (adenosine 5'-(1-thio[1- $^{17}\text{O}_2, ^{18}\text{O}$]diphosphate)).⁸ Adenosine 5'-[$^{17}\text{O}_2, ^{18}\text{O}$]phosphorothioate (510 μmol) was added to 20 mM triethanolamine·HCl buffer, pH 8.0, (500 mL) containing KCl (10 mM), MgCl_2 (3 mM), glucose 6-phosphate (3 mM), dithiothreitol (3 mM), phosphoenolpyruvate (6 mM), ATP (0.1 mM), and NADH (0.1 mM). A solution (2 mL) in 100 mM triethanolamine·HCl buffer, pH 8.0, containing adenylate kinase (5000 U), pyruvate kinase (5000 U), lactate dehydrogenase (500 U), and glucose-6-phosphate

dehydrogenase (500 U) was then added. After 4 h, the conversion of adenosine 5'-[$^{17}\text{O}_2,^{18}\text{O}$]phosphorothioate into $S_P\text{-ATP}\alpha^{17}\text{O}_2,\alpha^{18}\text{O},\alpha\text{S}$ (adenosine 5'-(1-thio[1- $^{17}\text{O}_2,^{18}\text{O}$]triphosphate)) was complete as judged by ^{31}P NMR, and the enzymes were removed from the reaction mixture by ultrafiltration through a PM-10 membrane (Amicon). The filtrate was subjected to chromatography over DE-52 (HCO_3^- form), eluting with a linear gradient (1L + 1L) of TEAB, pH 8 (100-500 mM). Fractions bearing $S_P\text{-ATP}\alpha^{17}\text{O}_2,\alpha^{18}\text{O},\alpha\text{S}$ were identified by $A_{260\text{ nm}}$ and worked up as before. The yield combined yield of $S_P\text{-ATP}\alpha^{17}\text{O}_2,\alpha^{18}\text{O},\alpha\text{S}$ and ATP was 490 μmol (92%). ^{31}P NMR (121 MHz, H_2O) δ : 43.1 (br d, $J = 30$ Hz), -5.96 (d, $J = 22$ Hz), -22.83 (dd, $J = 28$ Hz, 21 Hz).

The $S_P\text{-ATP}\alpha^{17}\text{O}_2,\alpha^{18}\text{O},\alpha\text{S}$ (490 μmol) was dissolved in 20 mM triethanolamine-HCl buffer, pH 8.0 (20 mL) containing MgCl_2 (10 mM) and glucose (250 mM). Hexokinase (170 U) in 100 mM triethanolamine-HCl buffer, pH 8.0 (100 μL) was added. After 1 h, the conversion of $S_P\text{-ATP}\alpha^{17}\text{O}_2,\alpha^{18}\text{O},\alpha\text{S}$ into $S_P\text{-ADP}\alpha^{17}\text{O}_2,\alpha^{18}\text{O},\alpha\text{S}$ was complete as judged by ^{31}P NMR. Hexokinase was removed by ultrafiltration using Centriprep-10 units (Amicon). The filtrate was subjected to chromatography over DE-52 (HCO_3^- form), eluting with a linear gradient (1L + 1L) of TEAB, pH 8.0 (100-400 mM). Fractions bearing $S_P\text{-ADP}\alpha^{17}\text{O}_2,\alpha^{18}\text{O},\alpha\text{S}$ were identified by $A_{260\text{ nm}}$ and were worked-up as described for the other nucleotides. The yield of $S_P\text{-ADP}\alpha^{17}\text{O}_2,\alpha^{18}\text{O},\alpha\text{S}$ was 395 μmol (78% from adenosine 5'-[$^{17}\text{O}_2,^{18}\text{O}$]phosphorothioate; contaminated with 2% ADP). ^{31}P NMR (121 MHz, H_2O) δ : 41.18 (br d, $J = 32$ Hz), -6.33 ($J = 33$ Hz).

$S_P\text{-2',3'-methoxymethylidene-ATP}\gamma^{17}\text{O}_2\gamma^{18}\text{O}\gamma\text{S}$ (2',3'-methoxymethylideneadenosine 5'-(3-thio[3- $^{17}\text{O}_2,^{18}\text{O}$]triphosphate)).⁸ 2',3'-Methoxymethylidene-AMP (0.48 mmol) was dissolved in DMF (10 mL) containing tri-*n*-octylamine (420 μL , 960 μmol), and the solvent was removed by evaporation under reduced pressure. The residue was dried by evaporation of added dioxane (2 x 5 mL) under reduced pressure then lyophilization of added dioxane (5 mL). The white solid was dissolved in dioxane (5 mL) containing tri-*n*-butylamine (340 μL , 1.4 mmol), and diphenyl chlorophosphate (100 μL , 0.48 mmol) was added. After 1.5 h, the solvent was

removed by evaporation under reduced pressure. The resultant oil was stirred with petroleum ether-diethyl ether (4:1 (v/v), 30 mL). After 0.5 h, the ether was decanted, and traces of ether were removed from the residue by evaporation of added dioxane (10 mL) under reduced pressure.

S_P -ADP $\alpha^{17}O_2, \alpha^{18}O, \alpha S$ (395 μ mol) was suspended in DMF-pyridine (2:1 (v/v)) containing tri-*n*-octylamine (350 μ L, 790 μ mol), and the solvent was removed by evaporation under reduced pressure. The residue was dried by evaporation under reduced pressure of added pyridine-DMF (2:1 (v/v), 10 mL) then added pyridine (2 x 5 mL). The residue was suspended in pyridine (3 mL) and added to the activated 2',3'-methoxymethylidene-AMP. After 1.5 h, the reaction reaction was complete as judged by ^{31}P NMR. The solvent was removed by evaporation under reduced pressure, and the residue was partitioned (in the reaction flask) between diethyl ether (10 mL) and water (25 mL). The pH of the aqueous phase was adjusted from 5.4 to 8 with KOH (1 M). The resultant cloudy solution was washed with diethyl ether (10 mL), and the solvent was removed from the aqueous phase by evaporation under reduced pressure. The residue was dissolved in water (20 mL), and the pH was adjusted to 11 with KOH (1 M). This solution was washed with diethyl ether, and the solvent was removed from the aqueous phase by evaporation under reduced pressure.

The residue was dissolved in water (20 mL), and sodium periodate (0.1 g, 470 μ mol) was added. After 0.5 h, the pH was adjusted to 10 with KOH (1 M), and the solution was incubated at 50° C. After 2 h, 2-mercaptoethanol (350 μ L, 5 mmol) was added, and the pH was adjusted to 7.6 with HCl (1 M). The solution was subjected to chromatography as with S_P -ATP $\alpha^{17}O_2, \alpha^{18}O, \alpha S$. The yield of S_P -2',3'-methoxymethylidene-ATP $\gamma^{17}O_2\gamma^{18}O\gamma S$ was 174 μ mol (44%). ^{31}P NMR (121 MHz, H₂O) δ : 33.68 (br d, J = 31 Hz), -11.05 (d, J = 20 Hz), -11.06 (d, J = 19 Hz), -23.23 (dd, J = 19 Hz, 31 Hz).

PAP-catalyzed hydrolysis of S_P -2',3'-methoxymethylidene-ATP $\gamma^{17}O_2\gamma^{18}O\gamma S$. The S_P -2',3'-methoxymethylidene-ATP $\gamma^{17}O_2\gamma^{18}O\gamma S$ (174 μ mol) was dissolved in 100 mM MES·KOH buffer, pH 6.0, (90 mL) containing KCl (2 M), EDTA (5 mM), dithiothreitol (5 mM), and sodium potassium tartrate (5 mM). PAP (1.6 mg, 40 nmol) in 100 mM MES·KOH (200 μ L)

was then added. The disappearance of ATP γ S had been monitored by HPLC (under conditions described above) in a trial reaction, but *S*_p-2',3'-methoxymethylidene-ATP γ ¹⁷O₂ γ ¹⁸O γ S elutes as a very broad peak, so the appearance of 2',3'-methoxymethylideneadenosine 5'-phosphate (in the void volume) was monitored. Since this method of monitoring is not rigorously quantifiable, the reaction was continued for 10 times the length of the trial incubation to ensure complete hydrolysis. Therefore, after 1 h, the pH of the reaction mixture was adjusted to pH 9 with KOH (1 M), and one third of solution was diluted with water (to a final volume of 2 L) and subjected to chromatography over AG 1-X8 (HCO₃⁻ form), eluting with a linear gradient (500 mL + 500 mL) of TEAB, pH 8 (100-300mM). Fractions containing inorganic [¹⁶O,¹⁷O,¹⁸O]thiophosphate were identified by colorimetric assay with DTNB. These fractions were combined, and solvent was removed by evaporation under reduced pressure. Buffer salt was removed by evaporation of one portion of added water under reduced pressure then lyophilization of added water. The yield of inorganic [¹⁶O,¹⁷O,¹⁸O]thiophosphate was 20 μ mol (34%). The ³¹P NMR spectrum revealed contamination by 2',3'-methoxymethylideneadenosine 5'-phosphate (24 mol%; 2.85 ppm) and inorganic phosphate (7 mol%; 1.45 ppm). ³¹P NMR (121 MHz, H₂O, pH 11) δ : 37.6 (br s).

*Incorporation of [¹⁶O,¹⁷O,¹⁸O]thiophosphate into S_p-ATP β S (adenosine 5'-(2-thiotriphosphate)).*⁹ One half of the total inorganic [¹⁶O,¹⁷O,¹⁸O]thiophosphate (10 μ mol) was dissolved in 14 mM triethanolamine-HCl buffer, pH 8.2, (7 mL) containing D₂O (30%), fructose 1,6-bisphosphate (38 mM), ADP (30 mM), NAD⁺ (0.7 mM), MgCl₂ (16 mM), pyruvate (100 mM), and dithiothreitol (2 mM). A solution (0.14 mL) in 100 mM triethanolamine-HCl buffer, pH 8.0, containing glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase (400 U), phosphoglycerate kinase (3400 U), aldolase (5 U), triosephosphate isomerase (50 U), and lactate dehydrogenase (55 U) was added. After 2.5 h, EDTA (150 μ L, 1 M) was added, and the conversion of inorganic [¹⁶O,¹⁷O,¹⁸O]thiophosphate into ATP γ S (adenosine 5'-(3-thiotriphosphate)) was complete as judged by ³¹P NMR; the presence of inorganic phosphate in the initial solution resulted in the presence of ATP. Adenylate kinase (3250 U), KCl (22 μ L, 3.7 M), AMP (0.4 g, 800 μ mol) and MgCl₂ (300 μ L, 1 M) were added. After 5 h, EDTA was added,

and the conversion of ATP γ S into ADP β S (adenosine 5'-(2-thiodiphosphate)) was complete as judged by ^{31}P NMR. Enzymes were removed by ultrafiltration using Centricon-10 units. EDTA (120 μL , 1 M) was added to the filtrate, and the solution was subjected to chromatography over DE-52 (HCO_3^- form), eluting with a linear gradient (500 mL + 500 mL) of TEAB, pH 8, (100-500 mM). Fractions were assayed both by $A_{260\text{ nm}}$ and by enzymatic ADP assay.¹⁰ ADP β S eluted as a shoulder following the ADP peak; the late ADP-bearing fractions were combined, and solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure. The ^{31}P NMR spectrum revealed 27% ADP β S and 73% ADP. Since the amount of ADP β S was small (5.6 μmol), the ADP was retained as carrier for the labeled compound. ^{31}P NMR (121 MHz, H_2O) δ : 32.90, 32.87, 32.62, 32.60 (isotopomeric d, $J = 36$ Hz); -11.43 (d, $J = 34$ Hz).

The ADP β S resulting from the incorporation of inorganic [^{16}O , ^{17}O , ^{18}O]thiophosphate was dissolved in 20 mM triethanolamine-HCl, pH 8.0 (5.2 mL), and the following were added: inorganic phosphate (42 μL , 1 M), fructose 1,6-bisphosphate (1.1 mL, 0.19 M), pyruvate (47 mg, 430 μmol), NAD^+ (200 μL , 10 mM), dithiothreitol (21 μL , 1 M), MgCl_2 (42 μL , 1 M), and D_2O (1 mL). A solution (70 μL) in 100 mM triethanolamine-HCl buffer, pH 8.0, containing glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase (100 U), phosphoglycerate kinase (350 U), lactate dehydrogenase (80 U), triosephosphate isomerase (50 U), and aldolase (4 U) was added. After 2.5 h, EDTA (100 μL , 1 M) was added, and the conversion of ADP β S into S_p -ATP β S was complete as judged by ^{31}P NMR. Enzymes were removed by ultrafiltration using Centricon-10 units. The filtrate was subjected to chromatography over DE-52 (HCO_3^- form), eluting with a linear gradient (500 mL + 500 mL) of TEAB, pH 8 (200-500 mM). Fractions containing nucleotides were identified by $A_{260\text{ nm}}$; these fractions were combined, and solvent was removed by evaporation under reduced pressure. Buffer salt was removed by evaporation of two portions of added water under reduced pressure; the pH was kept above 8 at all times by addition of KOH (1 M) as needed. The residue was dissolved in 75 mM EDTA buffer, pH 9.0, containing D_2O (50%) and dithiothreitol (20 mM). This solution was passed over a column (0.25 mL) of Chelex 100 (sodium form) that had been pre-equilibrated with the same buffer. The column was

eluted with the same buffer (2 x 0.25 mL), and the combined eluates were subjected to ^{31}P NMR analysis.

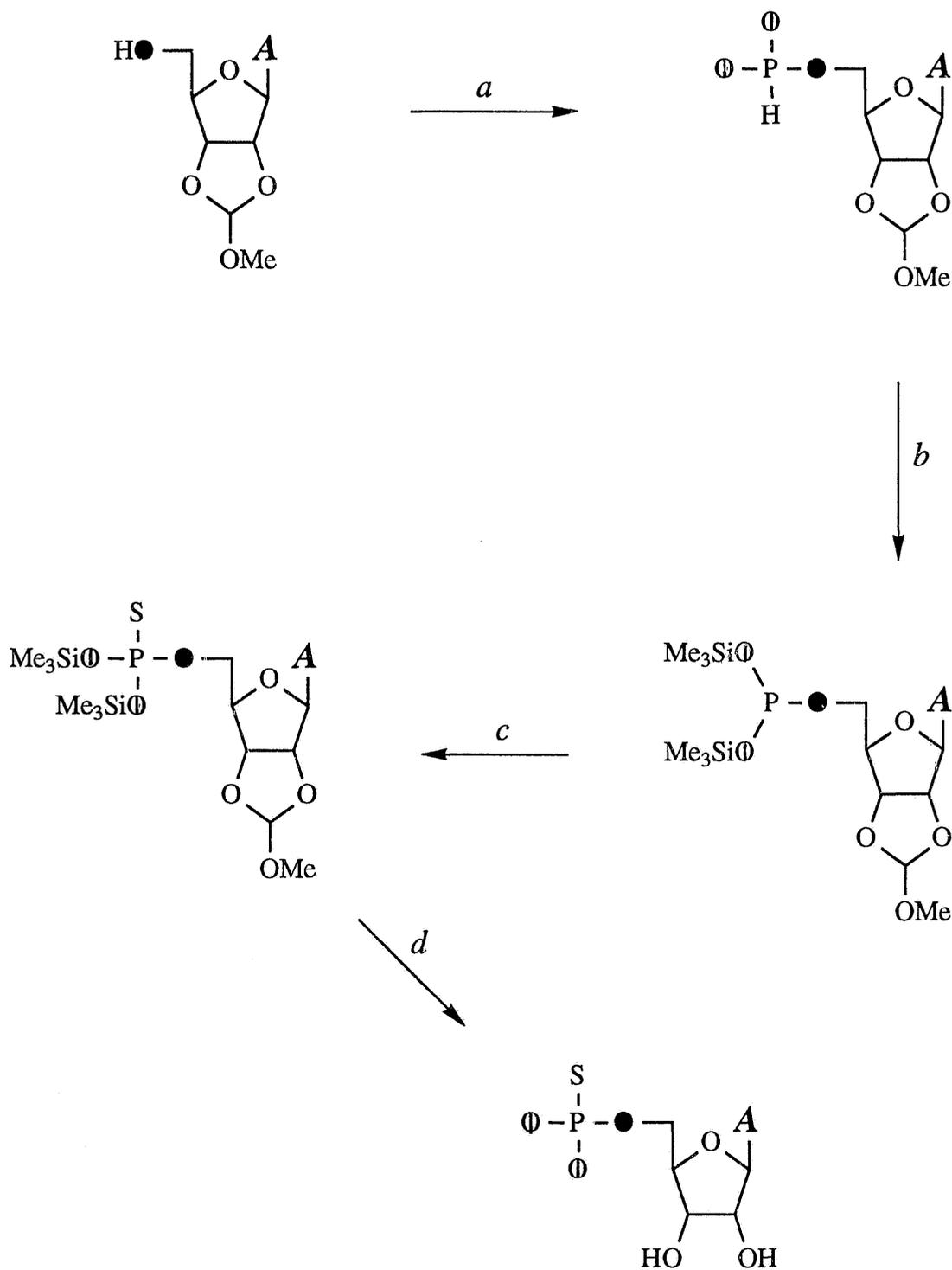
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- ²Abbreviations: AMP, adenosine 5'-monophosphate; ADP, adenosine 5'-diphosphate; ATP, adenosine 5'-triphosphate; ATP γ S, adenosine 5'-(3-thio)triphosphate; NAD⁺, β -nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide (oxidized form); NADH, β -nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide (reduced form); EDTA, ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid; DMF, dimethylformamide; TEAB, triethylammonium bicarbonate buffer; U, unit (the amount of enzyme required to convert one micromole of substrate into product in one minute).
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Figure 1: The synthesis of AMP $\alpha^{17}\text{O}_2,\alpha^{18}\text{O},\alpha\text{S}$. O = ^{16}O , O = ^{17}O , and O = ^{18}O ; A = adenylyl group. *a*: PCl_3 , H_2O ; *b*: bis(trimethylsilyl)acetamide; *c*: sulfur; *d*: H_2O , pH 2. For simplicity, all multiple bonds and charges on the phospho groups are omitted.

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