



Quin-2

Product Information

Product name cat.number	MW (g·mol ⁻¹)	$\lambda_{exc}/\lambda_{em}$ max. Free (nm)	$\lambda_{exc}/\lambda_{em}$ max. High Ca ²⁺ (nm)	mol. abs. (M ⁻¹ cm ⁻¹)	Kd (nM)	Soluble in
Quin2, AM ester FP-405125, 1mg	830		354 / 450 ^(a)	5000		DMSO
Quin2 K salt FP-AY6580, 5mg	542		354 / 450 ^(b)		20nM 115nM ^(c)	Water >pH6

(a) after hydrolysis

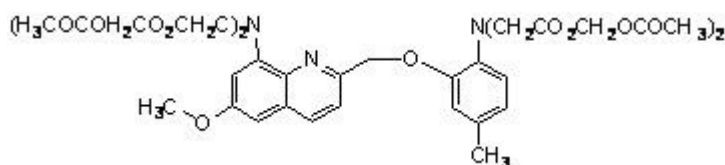
(b) high [Ca²⁺]

(c) EC with 1mM Mg²⁺: 333 / 495nm

Storage:

Indicator salts can be stored desiccated and protected from light at +4°C (K) or -20°C >1 year. (L)

AM esters can be stored desiccated and protected from light at -20°C > 6 months. (M)



Structure of AM ester (FP-40512):

Quin-2 was one of the first high Ca₂₊ indicator developed by Tsien. It can be used in standard applications (review /Tsien and Pozan 1989), but requires higher loading concentrations than fura-2, indo-1, fluo-3 and fluo-8 because of its lower absorption and quantum yield. This may cause undesired effects (buffering intracellular Ca₂₊ transients), but is taken to good account in specific applications: depletion of cytosolic Ca₂₊, elicit unidirectional Ca²⁺ influx,...

Quin2 is available as high-purity salt that are membrane-impermeant, but can be loaded into cells via microinjection or scrape loading, and as AM ester that is membrane-permeant for simpler loading.

Handling and Storage

Stock solutions of the salts may be prepared in distilled water or aqueous buffers (pH>6) and stored frozen (-20°C) and protected from light; these solutions should be stable for at least six months.

FT-405126 (+NT_AMesters)

AM esters should be reconstituted in anhydrous dimethylsulfoxide (DMSO) then used as soon as possible thereafter (within a week) to avoid hydrolysis with subsequent loss of cell loading capacity. DMSO stock solutions of AM esters should be frozen and desiccated and protect from light.

Protocols may found in the literature, and in our technical notice [NT-AM_esters](#) (loading, Ca measurement)

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