



High Calcium Indicators

Product Information

| cat.number | MW (g·mol ⁻¹) CAS | $\lambda_{exc}\lambda_{em}$. max. Free (nm) | $\lambda_{exc}\lambda_{em}$. max. High Ca ²⁺ (nm) | mol. abs. (M ⁻¹ cm ⁻¹) | Kd (μ M) | Soluble in |
|---|-------------------------------------|--|---|--|------------------|---------------|
| Fura-2FF, AM ester FP-AM629A | 1025.84 348079-12-9 | | 360 / 505 ^(a) | 33 000 | | DMSO |
| Fura-2FF, K salt FP-AM627A | 853.97 | | 360 / 505 | 33 000 | 35 | Water >pH6 |
| Fluo-4FF, AM ester FP-F9928A | 1118.9 | 456 / weak $\epsilon=25\ 000$ | 494 / 516 ^(a) | 75 000 | | DMSO |
| Fluo-4FF, K salt FP-R1264A | 931.1 | 491 / weak $\epsilon=72\ 000$ | 494 / 516 | 75 000 | 9.7 | Water >pH6 |
| Fluo-5F, AM ester FP-M2040A | | 456 / weak $\epsilon=24\ 000$ | 494 / 518 ^(a) | 74 000 | | DMSO |
| Fluo-5F, K salt FP-M2039A | 931.1 | 491 / weak $\epsilon=71\ 000$ | 494 / 518 | 74 000 | 2.3 | Water >pH6 |
| Fluo-5N, AM ester FP-M2023A | 1127.9 | 456 / weak $\epsilon=26\ 000$ | 493 / 518 ^(a) | 74 000 | | DMSO |
| Fluo-5N, K salt FP-M2022A | 958.1 | 491 / weak $\epsilon=72\ 000$ | 493 / 518 | 74 000 | 90 | Water >pH6 |
| Indo-1FF, AM ester FP-AM628A | 1031.9 | | 350 / 475 ^(a) | 33 000 | | DMSO |
| Indo-1FF, K salt FP-AM630A | 862.04 | | 350 / 475 | 33 000 | 33 | Water >pH6 |
| Rhod-FF, AM ester FP-BB4130 | 1146 | | 552 / 580 ^(a) | | 19 | DMSO |
| Rhod-FF, K salt FP-BB4140 | 891 | | 552 / 580 | | 19 | Water >pH6 |
| Bapta-FF, AM ester FP-AM934A | 766 | | | 5000 | 60 | DMSO |
| Bapta-FF, free acid FP-AM932A | 477 | | | 5000 | 60 | Water >pH6 |
| DF-Bapta, AM ester ^(b) FP-46742A | 800.68 | | | | | DMSO |
| DF-Bapta, K salt ^(c) FP-46743A | 664.8 156027-00-8 | | | | 0.635 (pH7.0) | Water >pH6 |

(a) after hydrolysis

(b) $\lambda_{exc}\lambda_{em}$ (EtOH) = 290 nm / none

(c) $\lambda_{exc}\lambda_{em}$ (pH7.2) = 289 nm / 263

FT-AM626A (+NT_AMesters)

Storage: **Indicator salts** can be stored desiccated and protected from light at room temperature, +4°C or -20°C >1 year.

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

Introduction

High Ca²⁺ concentrations, present in some organelles (mitochondria, vacuoles) and in excitable cells (fibroblast i.e.), were hardly detected: standard dyes Fluo-3, Fluo-4 and Rhod-2 have too affinity for Ca²⁺, so usually Fura-2 was preferred. However, measurements needed corrections because of its magnesium affinity, especially in mitochondria (Golovina 1997).

Now, new modified forms of the standard dyes are available, eliciting similar fluorescence properties (λ_{exc} , λ_{em} , photostability, and QY), but offering several advantages (London 1996). Benefits are:

- Reduced buffering of intracellular calcium
- Suitable for shorter lived transients (reduced perturbation)
- Higher K_d
- Absence of Mg-effects

High Ca₂₊ indicator are available as Acetoxymethyl ester. They are membrane-permeant and thus can be loaded into cells by simple incubation of the cells or tissue preparation in a buffer containing the AM ester. Pluronic® F-127, a mild non-ionic detergent, can facilitate AM esters loading. The AM esters themselves do not bind to Ca₂₊. However, once they have entered the cells, they are rapidly hydrolyzed by intracellular esterases into the parent Ca₂₊ indicators, thus becoming reactive to Ca₂₊.

High Ca₂₊ indicator are also available as salts which are membrane-impermeant, but can be loaded into cells via microinjection or scrape loading.

Directions for use

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.

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](#).

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|--------------------|---------------------------|----------|---------------------------|----------|
| Fluo-3FF, AM ester | FP-AM626A | 500 µg | FP-AM626B | 10x50 µg |
| Fura-2FF, AM ester | FP-AM629A | 500 µg | FP-AM629B | 10x50 µg |
| Fura-2FF, K salt | FP-AM627A | 500 µg | | |
| Fura-5F, AM ester | FP-M2040A | 10x50 µg | | |
| Fura-5F, K salt | FP-M2039A | 500 µg | | |
| Fluo-5N, AM ester | FP-M2023A | 10x50 µg | | |
| Fluo-5N, K salt | FP-M2022A | 500 µg | | |
| Indo-1FF, AM ester | FP-AM628A | 500 µg | | |
| Indo-1FF, K salt | FP-AM630A | 500 µg | | |
| Rhod-2FF, AM ester | FP-BB4130 | 10x50 µg | | |
| Rhod-2FF, K salt | FP-BB4140 | 500 µg | | |

FT-AM626A (+NT_AMesters)

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|---------------------|---------------------------|-------|
| Bapta-FF, AM ester | FP-AM934A | 10 mg |
| Bapta-FF, free acid | FP-AM932A | 10 mg |
| DF-Bapta, AM ester | FP-46742A | 10 mg |
| DF-Bapta, K salt | FP-46743A | 50 mg |

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