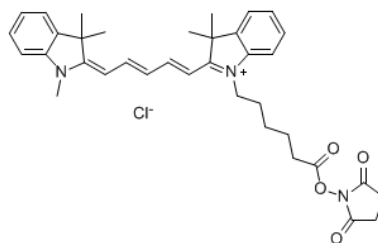
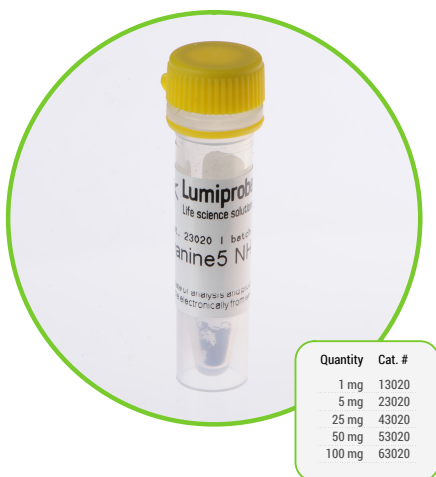


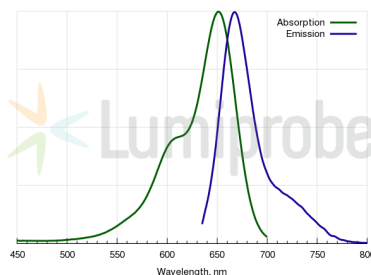
Cyanine5 NHS ester

During the last years, Cyanine5 (an analog of Cy5[®]) has become an incredibly popular label in life science research and diagnostics. The fluorophore has its emission maximum in the red region, where many CCD detectors exhibit maximum sensitivity, and biological objects show low background. The dye color is very intense, therefore quantities as small as 1 nmol can be detected in gel electrophoresis by naked eye.

This Cyanine5 NHS ester (analog to Cy5 NHS ester) is a reactive dye for the labeling of amino-groups in peptides, proteins, and oligonucleotides. This dye requires a small amount of organic co-solvent (such as DMF or DMSO) to be used in labeling reactions (please see our recommended protocol for more details). This reagent is ideal for very cost-efficient labeling of soluble proteins as well as all kinds of peptides and oligonucleotides. This reagent also works well in organic solvents for small molecule labeling. For more sophisticated targets such as easily degradable proteins, when the use of DMF or DMSO is undesirable, consider using water-soluble sulfo-Cyanine 5 NHS ester which does not require any co-solvent, and features very similar fluorescent properties.



Absorption and emission spectra of Cy5 fluorophore



General properties

Appearance:	dark blue powder
Molecular weight:	616.19
CAS number:	1032678-42-4, 350686-88-3
Molecular formula:	$C_{38}H_{22}ClN_3O_4$
Solubility:	good in polar (DMSO, DMF) and chlorinated (DCM, chloroform) organic solvents, low solubility in water
Quality control:	NMR 1H , HPLC-MS (95%)
Storage conditions:	Storage: 12 months after receipt at $-20^{\circ}C$ in the dark. Transportation: at room temperature for up to 3 weeks. Avoid prolonged exposure to light. Desiccate.

Spectral properties

Excitation maximum, nm:	646
ϵ , $L \cdot mol^{-1} \cdot cm^{-1}$:	250000
Emission maximum, nm:	662
Fluorescence quantum yield:	0.2