

**Product number: K8-1352**  
**Product name: Square-660-NHS**

## General Data

- Molecular Mass:** 735.81 (protonated form)  
**Solubility:** alcohol, DMF, DMSO, low solubility in water,  
**Insoluble:** acetone, chloroform, toluene  
**Storage:** Store in absence of light, desiccate and refrigerate

## Description

- Amine-reactive, lifetime-sensitive fluorescent label containing one reactive NHS-ester group

## Applications

- Covalent labeling of proteins, amino-modified DNA and amino-modified oligonucleotides
- Flow Cytometry
- Immunofluorescence
- Gene Expression
- Homogeneous lifetime-based assays
- Assessment of protein structure
- FRET based applications

## Advantages

- Perfectly suited for excitation with the 380, 405, 635, 650, and 670-nm diode lasers and UV light
- Sensitive; high extinction coefficients and high quantum yields after covalent attachment to proteins and amino-modified oligonucleotides.
- Low non-specific binding
- Lifetime sensitive label: fluorescence lifetime will change up to 10-times upon binding to a protein
- pH-insensitive between pH 3 and pH 10
- High photostability; e.g. compared to fluorescein or Cy5<sup>TM</sup>
- Low molecular weight — **Square** dyes do not add substantial mass to the conjugates
- Ideal for non-radioactive labeling of proteins, amino-modified DNA probes and amino-modified oligonucleotides

## Spectral Data

**Solvent System:** phosphate buffer, pH 7.4

Sample	Dye-to-protein Ratio	Absorption max. [nm]	Extinction Coefficient [M <sup>-1</sup> cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	Fluorescence max. [nm]	Quantum Yield <sup>1</sup> [%]	Fluorescence Lifetime at 25 °C [ns]	Polarization at 25 °C [mP]
Free dye	—	657	182,000	676	3	0.27±0.02 <sup>2</sup>	323±4 <sup>2,3</sup>
BSA conjugate	1.2	676		695	13	3.32±0.03 <sup>4</sup>	

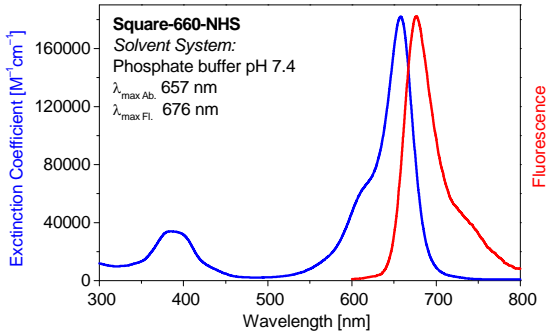
<sup>1</sup> Excitation at 620 nm. **Cy5** in phosphate buffer pH 7.4 (QY = 27% [1]) was taken as a reference.

<sup>2</sup> **Square-660-Carboxy** in phosphate buffer pH 7.4 (OD = 0.13) vs. **Alexa 647** in water (1.04 ns [2]); T = 25°C; ISS Chronos FD; excitation 635 nm (laser); bandpass filter 640 nm; longpass filter 670 nm;  $\tau_{\text{mean}} = 0.27 \text{ ns}$ ;  $\chi^2 = 1.78$ ;  $\tau_1 = 0.12 \text{ ns}$ ;  $\tau_2 = 0.38 \text{ ns}$ ;  $f_1 = 0.37$ ;  $f_2 = 0.62$ .

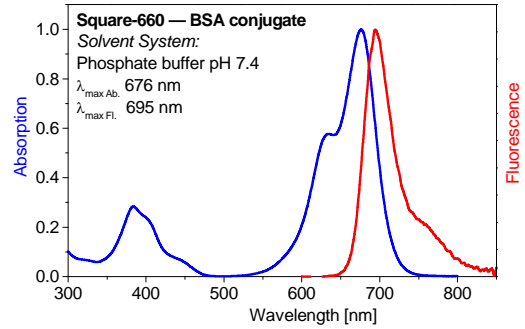
<sup>3</sup> Excitation between 550–670 nm

<sup>4</sup> **Square-660-Carboxy**—BSA conjugate vs. **Alexa 647** in water (1.04 ns [2]); ISS Chronos FD; excitation 635 nm (laser); bandpass filter 640 nm; longpass filter 670 nm;  $\tau_{\text{mean}} = 3.32 \text{ ns}$ ;  $\chi^2 = 1.70$ ;  $\tau_1 = 0.17 \text{ ns}$ ;  $\tau_2 = 3.96 \text{ ns}$ ;  $f_1 = 0.17$ ;  $f_2 = 0.83$ .

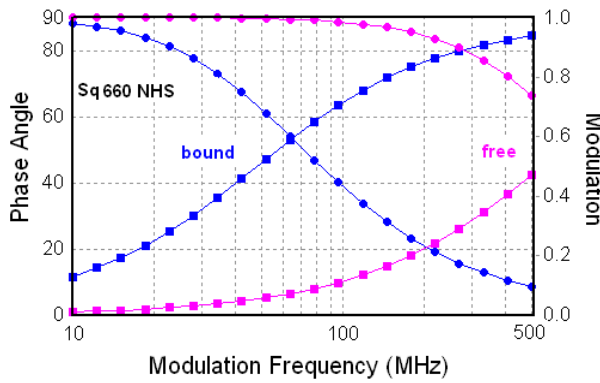
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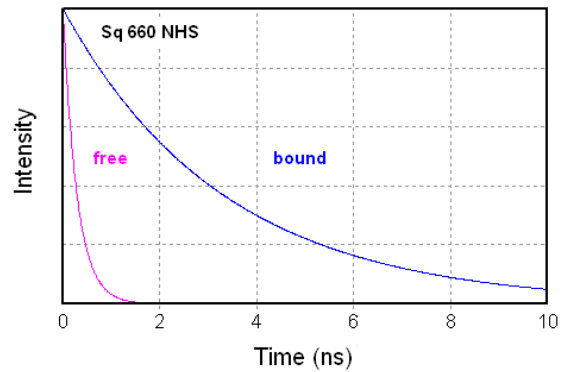
Absorption and emission spectrum of **Square-660-NHS** in phosphate buffer (pH 7.4)



Absorption and emission spectrum of **Square-660 — BSA conjugate** in phosphate buffer (pH 7.4)

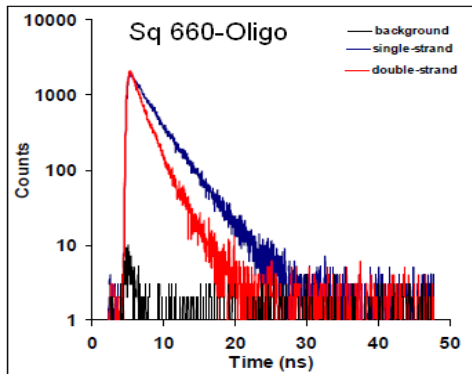


Comparison of the frequency responses of **Square-660** before and after binding to IgG ( $\tau_{\text{free}} = 290$  ps;  $\tau_{\text{bound}} = 2.73$  ns)

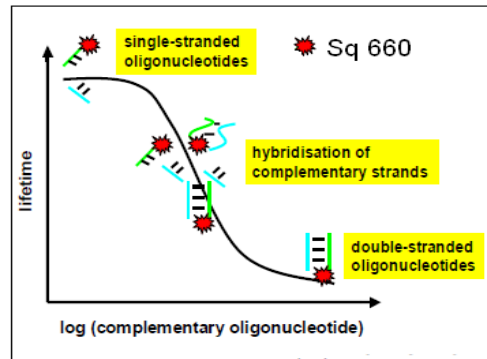


Comparison of the intensity decays of **Square-660** before and after binding to IgG

**Lifetime-based Hybridization Assay** with **Square-660** labeled oligonucleotide:



Intensity decays of **Square-660 — Oligo** before and after binding to complementary oligonucleotide ( $\tau_{\text{single}} = 3$  ns;  $\tau_{\text{double}} = 1.8$  ns)



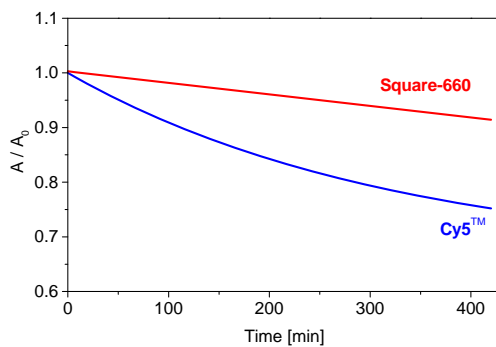
Lifetime-based detection of SNPs. Detection is based on the change of the fluorescence lifetime of the label **Square-660**.

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## Photostability

when exposed to light from a halogen lamp (200 W)

**Solvent System:** Phosphate buffer pH 7.4



Decrease of long-wavelength absorption maximum of **Square-660** as compared to **Cy5<sup>TM</sup>**

<sup>1</sup> R.B.Mujumdar, L.A.Ernst, S.R.Mujumdar, C.J.Lewis, A.S.Waggoner. Cyanine dye labeling reagents: sulfoindocyanine succinimidyl esters. *Bioconjugate Chem.* (1993) 4, 105–111.

<sup>2</sup> V.Buschmann, K.D.Weston, M.Sauer. Spectroscopic study and evaluation of red-absorbing fluorescent dyes. *Bioconjugate Chem.* (2003), 14, 195–204.