# Amersham CyDye fluorescent nucleotides

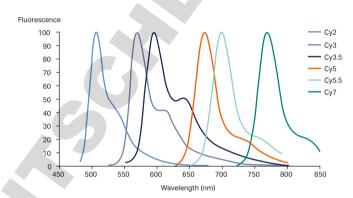
NUCLEIC ACID LABELLING

Amersham™ CyDye™ fluorescent nucleotides from Cytiva comprise a CyDye fluor linked to a ribo or deoxyribo nucleotide via an amide bond (Figure 1). These reagents have been widely used for fluorescence analysis within genomic, proteomic, and cellular research, and have been cited extensively in peer-reviewed publications.

Fig 1. Structure of Cy3 labelled dCTP nucleotide.

#### The CyDye fluorescent dye range

CyDye fluorescent dyes share a core structure consisting of two aromatic rings joined by a linking bridge. This linking bridge varies in length resulting in emission spectra that span the spectrum of visible light (Figure 2). An important modification is aromatic ring sulfonation, which increases the water solubility and decreases fluorescence self-quenching.



**Fig 2.** CyDye-based fluorescent dyes are a chemically related group of dyes. whose emission spectra span the spectrum of visible light.

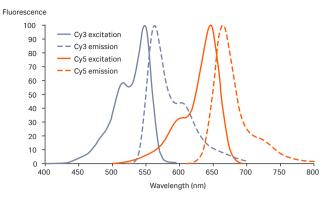
## CyDye labelled nucleotides for your convenience

Amersham CyDye fluorescent nucleotides are optimized for labeling DNA and RNA probes to be used in multicolor detection studies such as microarrays, array CGH, and FISH.

The benefits are:

- High extinction coefficients ensure bright dyes with strong fluorescent signals
- Clear spectral separation allows excitation and detection of multiple dyes in the same sample (Figure 3)
- · Unaffected by choice of buffer or pH
- Photostable when stored appropriately enabling fluorescent assays to be reread over time (Figure 4)
- High purity ensures long term stability at -20°C





**Fig 3.** CyDye fluors have narrow emission bands delivering good spectral separation during multicolor assays.

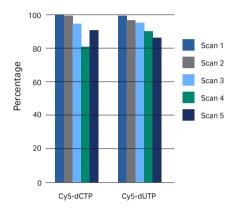
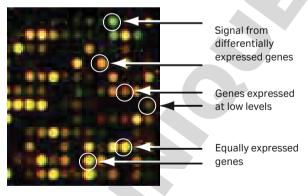


Fig 4. Scans performed once a day, for five days, show < 5% drop per scan in Cy<sup>TM5</sup> fluorescence intensity.

## CyDye labelled nucleotides are suitable for microarray applications

An example of a dual colour microarray application using Cy3 and Cy5 labelled nucleotide is illustrated below:



**Fig 5.** Two-color microarray hybridization signals using red (Cy5) and green (Cy3) dyes. Equal spot signals will appear yellow. Green and red denote differences in relative abundance in favor of one or the other sample.

| Applications   | Nucleic acid labelling: Microarrays, Array CGH , FISH          |              |                |              |              |                |
|--|--|--------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|
| Concentration  | 1 mM Solution  |              |                |              |              |                |
| Buffer   | 10 mM Sodium Phosphate pH 7.0                                  |              |                |              |              |                |
| Dye label  | Cy3-<br>dCTP   | Cy3-<br>dUTP | Cy3.5-<br>dCTP | Cy5-<br>dCTP | Cy5-<br>dUTP | Cy5.5-<br>dCTP |
| Excitation max<br>(nm)   | 550  | 550          | 581            | 649          | 649          | 675            |
| Emission max<br>(nm)   | 570  | 570          | 596            | 670          | 670          | 694            |
| Color  | Red  | Red          | Red            | Blue         | Blue         | Blue           |
| Purity by<br>chromatography<br>(%)                               | >95  |              | >80            | >95          |              | >80            |
| Extinction<br>coefficient<br>(M <sup>-1</sup> cm <sup>-1</sup> ) | 150000   | 150 000      | 150 000        | 250 000      | 250 000      | 250000         |
| Shipping and storage (°C)  | -20  |              |                |              |              |                |
| Handling   | Protect from light • Minimize freeze/thaw cycles • Wear gloves |              |                |              |              |                |

### Ordering information

| Product description | Quantity                                       | Code number |
|---------------------|--|-------------|
| Cy3-dCTP            | 25 nmol  | PA53021     |
|                     | 250 nmol                                       | PA53031     |
| Cy5-dCTP            | 25 nmol  | PA55021     |
|                     | 250 nmol                                       | PA55031     |
| Cy3-dUTP            | 25 nmol  | PA53022     |
|                     | 250 nmol                                       | PA53032     |
| Cy5-dUTP            | 25 nmol  | PA55022     |
|                     | 250 nmol                                       | PA55032     |
| Multipacks dCTP     | 5 × 25 nmol Cy3-dCTP +<br>5 × 25 nmol Cy5-dCTP | PA55321     |
| Multipacks dUTP     | 5 × 25 nmol Cy3-dUTP +<br>5× 25 nmol Cy5-dUTP  | PA55322     |
| Cy3.5-dCTP          | 25 nmol  | PA53521     |
| Cy5.5-dCTP          | 25 nmol  | PA55521     |

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