

## Cal-520ER™ potassium salt

Catalog Number: 21148  
Unit Size: 10x50 ug

### Product Details

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Storage Conditions	Freeze (< -15 °C), Minimize light exposure
Expiration Date	24 months upon receiving

### Chemical Properties

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Appearance	Solid orange
Molecular Weight	1002.06
Soluble In	Water

### Spectral Properties

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Excitation Wavelength	492 nm
Emission Wavelength	515 nm

### Applications

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Cal-520ER™ has been designed to monitor the change of calcium ion (Ca<sup>2+</sup>) in the endoplasmic reticulum (ER). Cal-520ER™ potassium salt is not cell permeable. The importance of calcium signaling in cell health and disease is the major driving force in current research of intracellular calcium homeostasis. Ca<sup>2+</sup> release from ER and other calcium stores seems to be the crucial factor in the activation of many cellular functions. Significant changes in ER Ca<sup>2+</sup> content and dynamics have been implicated in the activation of the ER stress response, abnormal autophagy, and cell death which leads to a variety of pathological conditions. Cal-520ER is a low-affinity Ca<sup>2+</sup> indicator that can be used to record fast Ca<sup>2+</sup> signals and to measure the kinetics of Ca<sup>2+</sup> currents. Compared to Oregon Green BAPTA-5N and to Fluo4FF, Cal-520ER offers a superior signal-to-noise ratio providing the optimal characteristics for this important type of biophysical measurement. This ability is the result of a relatively high fluorescence at zero Ca<sup>2+</sup>, necessary to detect enough photons at short exposure windows, and a high dynamic range leading to large fluorescence transients associated with short Ca<sup>2+</sup> influx periods.