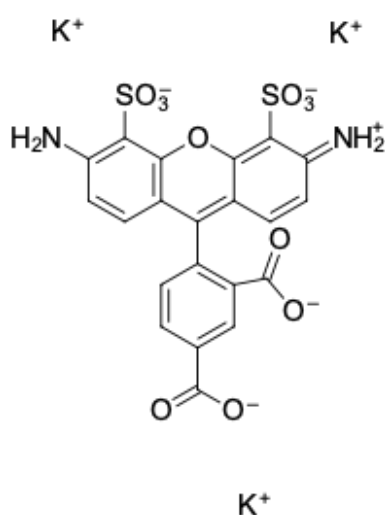


## AF 488 carboxylic acid

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AF 488 is a bright green-fluorescent dye that is commonly used in microscopy and cell assays because of its photostability. AF 488 can be used with [DAPI](#) and is well suited to multiplex assay. AF 488 has high quantum yield and stable fluorescence within the pH range from 4 to 10.

AF 488 carboxylic acid is a non-reactive AF 488 form that can be used as a reference standard in experiments where AF 488 conjugates are used. The carboxylic acid can be also used for the synthesis of activated esters [such as sulfo-NHS, TFP (2,3,5,6-tetrafluorophenol) and STP (4-sulfo-2,3,5,6-tetrafluorophenol)] or modified with hydrazines, hydroxylamines, or amines in aqueous solutions using water-soluble carbodiimides. Thus, this derivative can be conjugated to molecules that contain amino groups, such as proteins, antibodies, and peptides. Therefore, AF 488 carboxylic acid is used during solid-phase peptide synthesis for peptide modification *in situ* in the presence of activating agents such as HATU.



**Structure of AF 488 carboxylic acid**

### General properties

Appearance:	orange crystals
Molecular weight:	648.75
Molecular formula:	C <sub>21</sub> H <sub>11</sub> K <sub>3</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>11</sub> S <sub>2</sub>
IUPAC name:	4-(6-amino-3-iminio-4,5-disulfonato-3H-xanthen-9-yl)isophthalate
Solubility:	good in DMSO, DMF
Quality control:	NMR <sup>1</sup> H, HPLC-MS (95%)
Storage conditions:	Storage: 12 months after receipt at -20°C in the dark. Transportation: at room temperature for up to 3 weeks. Avoid prolonged exposure to light.

### Spectral properties

Excitation/absorption maximum, nm:	495
ε, L·mol <sup>-1</sup> ·cm <sup>-1</sup> :	71800
Emission maximum, nm:	519
Fluorescence quantum yield:	0.91
CF <sub>260</sub> :	0.16
CF <sub>280</sub> :	0.10