

## Technical Information

# NpFlamma<sup>®</sup> MB

### Overview

NpFlamma<sup>®</sup> MB is a colloidal complex (80 ~ 100 nm) based on fluorescent dye methylene blue (MB). Cationic MB dye is electrostatically associated with anionic sodium oleate acid to form neutral hydrophobic complex, which are encapsulated with Pluronic F-68 surfactant to produce amphiphilic nanoparticle with good colloidal stability. MB is a clinically approved near infrared dye being used as a medication, clinical imaging dye. Pluronic F-68 is FDA-approved biocompatible amphiphilic polymer surfactant that is used in a variety of applications in medical field. NpFlamma<sup>®</sup> MB selectively accumulates inside tumor cells, providing opportunities for cancer cell imaging.

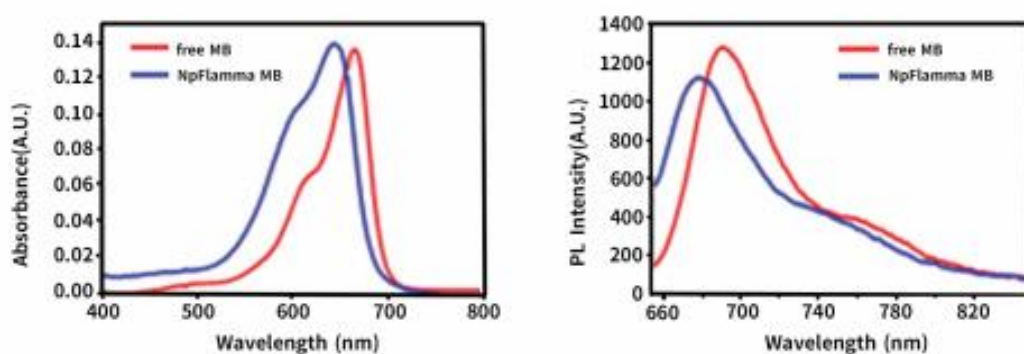


Figure 1. NpFlamma<sup>®</sup> MB (blue) and free MB (red) optical spectra absorption (left), fluorescence (right)

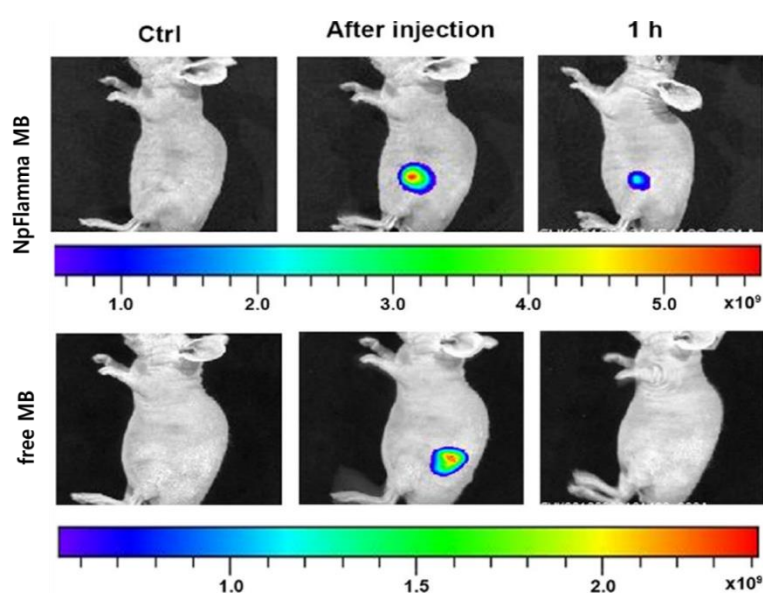


Figure 2. In vivo NIR fluorescence imaging of MDA-MB-231 tumor-bearing mice after peritumoral injection of NpFlamma<sup>®</sup> MB (upper) and free MB (bottom)

## In vivo Imaging Protocol

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### General

- Prepare the fluorescent probe solution by adding NpFlamma<sup>®</sup> MB solution and vortex the mixture
- Fluorescent substances are unstable under light, they should be stored in the dark.
- Mouse fur may cause scattering or absorption of excitation of light during optical imaging process. Use nude mouse or remove the mouse fur in advance.
- Prepare 5 week-old female Balb/c-nude mouse or rabbit.

### Typical procedure for mouse model tumor imaging with NpFlamma<sup>®</sup> MB

- Inject MDA-MB-231 cell line ( $1 \times 10^7$  per 0.06 mL) into subcutaneous of Balb/c-nude mouse.
- When the volume of tumor cell reaches to 60~80 mm<sup>3</sup>, take the zero time image of each subject.
- Inject NpFlamma<sup>®</sup> MB intravenously to mouse.
- The optimal interval for fluorescence imaging is 1 h after injection.

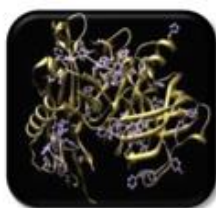
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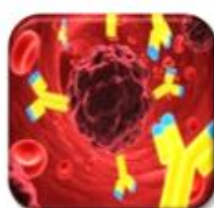
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Nucleic acid



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