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# Vio<sup>®</sup> and Vio<sup>®</sup>Bright Dyes

Bright and stable fluorochromes  
for multicolor flow cytometry



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# Bright and stable fluorochromes for multicolor flow cytometry

Vio® and Vio®Bright Dyes represent a family of fluorochromes for flow cytometry and fluorescence microscopy. They are characterized by high fluorescence intensities and low spillover, making them an ideal choice for multicolor flow applications.

Combined with traditional fluorochromes, such as FITC, PE, PerCP, and APC, Vio and VioBright Dyes expand available dye options, giving you more flexibility in setting up multiparameter cell analyses.

Fluorochrome-conjugated MACS® Antibodies are perfectly suited for identification and enumeration of human, mouse, rat, or non-human primate cells.

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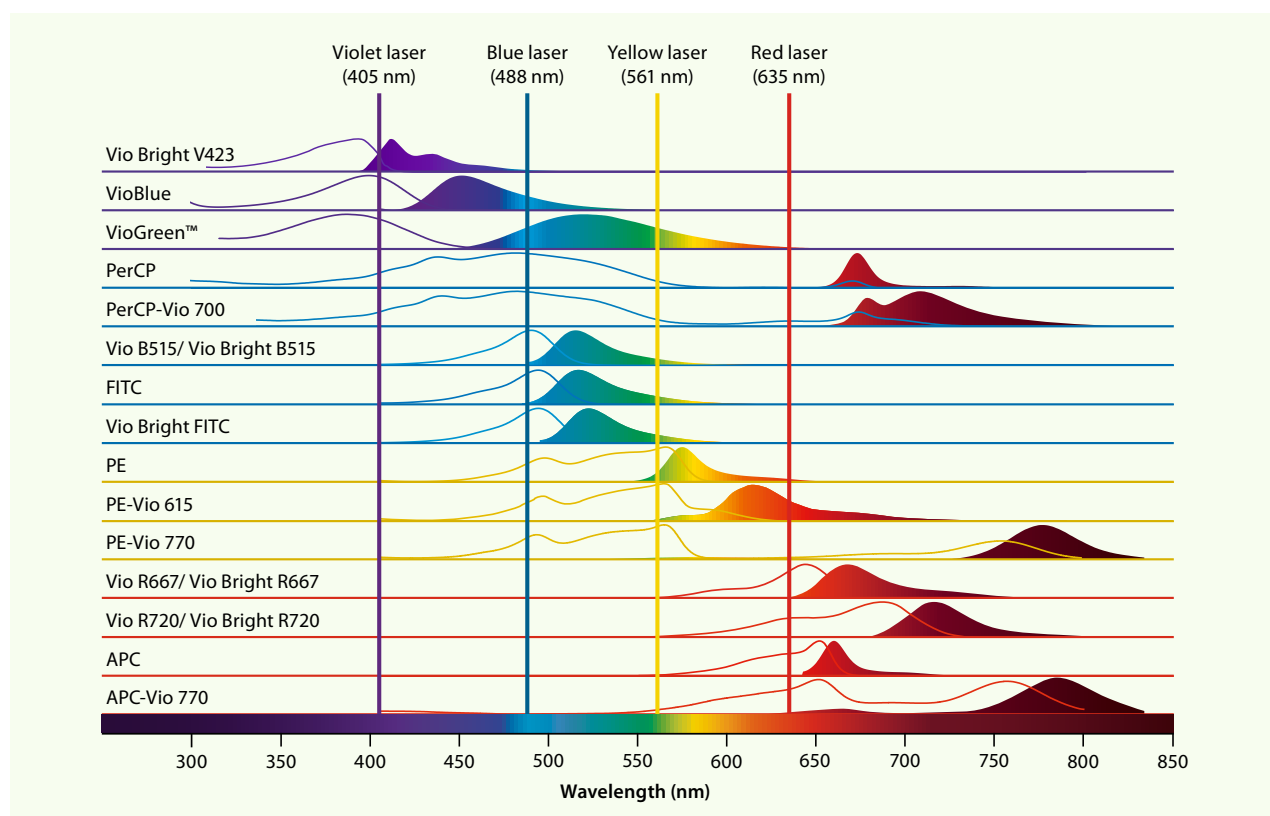


## REafinity™ Recombinant Antibodies – Flow cytometry is in their genes

When used in combination with our proprietary REafinity Recombinant Antibodies, you can take advantage of superior lot-to-lot consistency and purity compared to mouse or rat monoclonal and polyclonal antibodies.

Our recombinant technology also diminishes the need for FcR blocking and allows for analyses with only one single isotype control, generating high quality data with no more background signal while saving efforts when setting up experiments.

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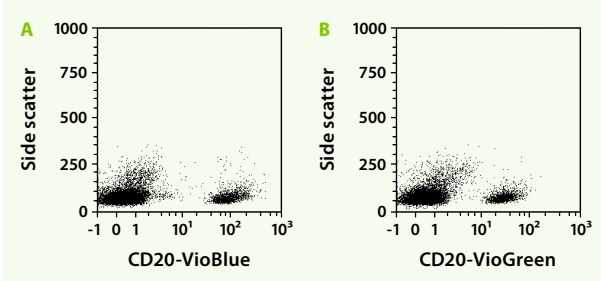


# Fluorochrome guide

	Common filters (nm)	Miltenyi Biotec dyes	Brightness (MFI)	Other dye examples		Viability dyes
 <b>Violet 405 nm</b>	450/50	<b>VioBlue®</b> <b>Vio® Bright V423</b>	3 5	Alexa Fluor® 405 BD Horizon™ V450 BD Horizon Brilliant Violet™ (BV) 421 Calcein Violet 450 AM Cascade Blue®	Vybrant® DyeCycle™ Violet eBFP eFluor® 450 Pacific Blue™ Super Bright 436	Viability™ 405/452 Fixable Dye DAPI Hoechst 33342 Zombie Violet™
	525/50	<b>VioGreen™</b>	1	Alexa Fluor® 430 BD Horizon™ V500 BD Horizon™ BV510	Cascade Yellow™ Krome Orange™	Viability 405/520 Fixable Dye AmCyan Zombie Aqua™
	579/34			BD Horizon™ BV570	Pacific Orange™	
	605/15 or 615/20			BD Horizon™ BV605	Super Bright 600	
	661/11 or 667/30			BD Horizon™ BV650	Super Bright 645	
	711/25			BD Horizon™ BV711	Super Bright 702	
	785/60			BD Horizon™ BV786		
 <b>Blue 488 nm</b>	525/50	<b>FITC</b> <b>Vio® B515</b> <b>Vio® Bright</b> <b>Vio® Bright B515</b>	3 4 4 5	Alexa Fluor® 488 Calcein AM DyLight® 488 BD Horizon Brilliant™ Blue (BB) 515	CFSE GFP, YFP SYTOX® Green Vybrant® DyeCycle™ Green	Viability 488/520 Fixable Dye Zombie Green™
	585/40 or 579/34	<b>PE</b>	5	Cy™ 3	Vybrant® DyeCycle™ Orange	CyTRAK Orange™
	655–730	<b>PerCP</b> <b>PerCP-Vio® 700</b>	1 3	PE-Cy™ 5 PE-Cy™ 5.5 PerCP-Cy™ 5.5	PerCP-eFluor® 710 BD Horizon™ BB700	Propidium iodide (PI) 7-AAD CyTRAK Orange™
	655–730 or 615/20	<b>PE-Vio 615</b>	5	ECD PE/Texas Red® PE-CF594	PE/Dazzle™ 594 PE-eFluor® 610	
	750 LP or 785/62	<b>PE-Vio 770</b>	4	PE-Alexa Fluor® 750	PE-Cy™ 7	
 <b>Yellow-green 561 nm</b>	586/15	<b>PE</b>	5	Cy™ 3	Vybrant® DyeCycle™ Orange	PI CyTRAK Orange™
	615/20	<b>PE-Vio 615</b>	5	ECD PE/Texas Red® PE-CF594	PE/Dazzle™ 594 PE-eFluor® 610	
	750 LP	<b>PE-Vio 770</b>	4	PE-Alexa Fluor® 750	PE-Cy™ 7 RFP	DRAQ7®
 <b>Red 635 nm</b>	655–730	<b>APC</b> <b>Vio® R667</b> <b>Vio® Bright R667</b>	4 5 5	Alexa Fluor® 647 Cy™ 5	eFluor® 660	DRAQ5® DRAQ7®
	720/40	<b>Vio R720</b> <b>Vio Bright R720</b>	3 4	Alexa Fluor® 700 APC-Alexa Fluor® 700	APC-R700	DRAQ5® DRAQ7®
	750 LP or 785/62	<b>APC-Vio 770</b>	3	APC-Alexa Fluor® 750 APC-Fire™ 750 APC-Cy™ 7	APC-eFluor® 780 APC-H7	DRAQ5® DRAQ7® Zombie NIR™

# Violet laser fluorochromes

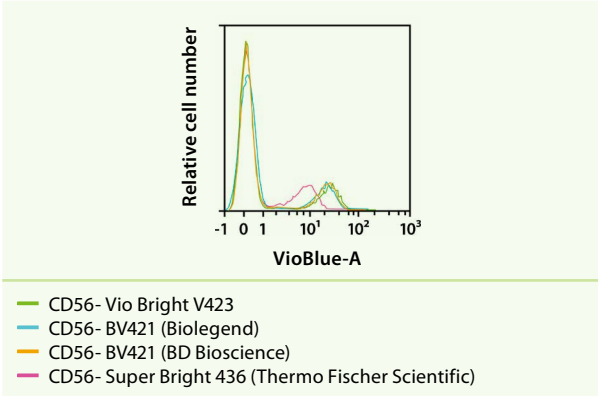
Vio® Bright V423, VioBlue® and VioGreen™ dyes are fluorochromes that can be excited by the violet laser. VioBlue and VioGreen are small molecule dyes that show advances in brightness and signal-to-noise ratios (fig. 1), while reducing intralaser compensation requirements. Both fluorochromes are exceptionally stable during fixation and show high photo stability, making them an ideal choice for fluorescent microscopy.



**Figure 1:** Human PBMCs were stained with CD20-VioBlue (A), CD20-VioGreen (B), or CD8-VioBlue (C). Mouse splenocytes were stained with CD8a-VioGreen (D). Samples were analyzed by flow cytometry using the MACSQuant® Analyzer 10.

## Vio Bright V423: Our brightest option for violet laser

Vio Bright V423 is a synthetic dye which is 5× brighter than VioBlue dye. Compared to polymer-based fluorochromes, Vio Bright V423 exhibits a similar or brighter degree of fluorescence (fig. 2). Additionally, minimal spillover and excellent resolution of rare cells and dim antigens make it a superior choice for multiparameter cell analysis.



**Figure 2:** Fluorescence intensity of human PBMCs stained with CD56 antibody conjugated to Vio Bright V423, Brilliant Violet 421 (Biolegend), Brilliant Violet 421 (BD Bioscience) and Super Bright 436 (Thermo Fischer Scientific).

	Brightness	Fixation stability	Microscopy	Photostability	Excitation max	Emission max
Vio Bright V423	■■■■■	PFA, methanol	Not tested	High	399 nm	420 nm
VioBlue	■■■□□	PFA, ethanol, methanol, and acetone	Not tested	Medium	400 nm	452 nm
VioGreen	■□□□□	PFA, ethanol, methanol, and acetone	Not tested	High	388 nm	520 nm

# Blue laser fluorochromes

Vio® Bright FITC and Vio Bright B515 are revolutionary blue laser dyes, developed exclusively by Miltenyi Biotec. The innovative Vio Bright Technology allows for an increased number of fluorochrome molecules per antibody as compared to conventional conjugation. This results in dyes that emit a signal detected in the standard FITC channel, but with brightness levels similar to PE.

## Brighter alternatives to FITC

Vio Bright FITC and Vio Bright B515 are bright alternatives for the FITC channel. Their excellent brightness makes them a good choice for the detection of low-expressed markers, rare cells, as well as dim or uncharacterized markers.

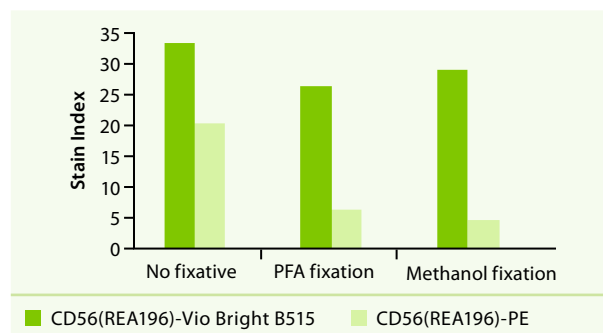
Dye	Features	Application
Vio Bright FITC (1 <sup>st</sup> generation Vio Bright dye)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>High brightness</li> </ul>	Detection of extracellular markers
Vio Bright B515 (2 <sup>nd</sup> generation Vio Bright dye)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Very high brightness</li> <li>Low spillover</li> <li>High fixation &amp; photostability</li> </ul>	Detection of extracellular markers
Vio® B515 (Organic dye)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Moderate brightness,</li> <li>Low spillover</li> <li>High fixation &amp; photostability</li> </ul>	Detection of intracellular markers

**Table 1:** Features and applications for Vio Bright FITC, Vio Bright B515, and Vio B515 in comparison.

## High photostability, no matter the fixation reagent

Bright fluorochrome conjugates, such as PE and APC, are often sensitive to fixation reagents. For a successful flow cytometric analysis, which often involves staining of intracellular markers, stability of fluorochrome conjugates is critical.

Vio Bright B515 shows excellent stability to methanol- and paraformaldehyde-based fixatives with minimal compromises in brightness (fig. 3).



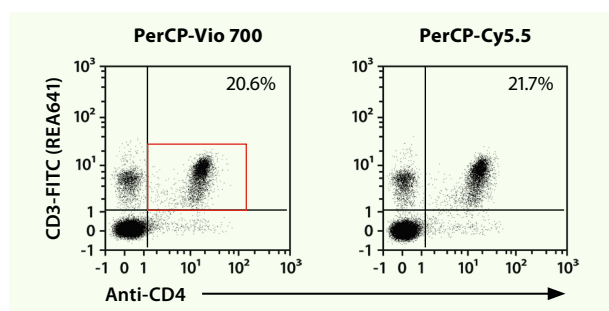
**Figure 3:** Human PBMCs were stained using CD56 antibodies (clone REA 196) conjugated to Vio Bright B515 or PE. In addition, cells were analyzed before and after fixation with 3.7% paraformaldehyde and 90% methanol. Stained cells were analyzed by flow cytometry using the MACSQuant® Analyzer 10.

	Brightness	Fixation stability	Microscopy	Photostability	Excitation max	Emission max
Vio B515	■■■■■□	PFA, ethanol, methanol, and acetone	Recommended	Very high	488 nm	514 nm
Vio Bright FITC	■■■■■□	PFA, ethanol, methanol, and acetone	Suitable	Low	496 nm	522 nm
Vio Bright B515	■■■■■	PFA, ethanol, methanol, and acetone	Suitable	Medium	488 nm	514 nm



# Blue and yellow-green laser tandem conjugates

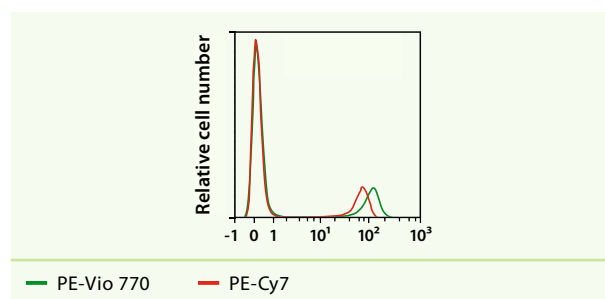
All blue laser tandem conjugates provide excellent brightness for confident detection of dim, rare, and uncharacterized markers. PE-Vio® 615, PE-Vio 770, and PerCP-Vio 700 are tandem conjugates with PE or PerCP as donor dyes, while Vio 615/770/700 act as acceptor dyes. These tandem fluorochromes are optimized for efficient donor-to-acceptor dye energy transfer, high fluorescent intensity, and low spillover into the donor dye detection channel.



**Figure 4:** Mouse splenocytes were stained with CD4 antibodies (clone GK.1) conjugated to either PerCP-Vio 700 or PerCP-Cy5.5. Concurrent staining with CD3-FITC (REA641) was performed to identify CD4<sup>+</sup> T cells.

## PE-Vio 770 – the brightest of them all

PE-Vio 770 provides the greatest fluorescence intensity of the Vio Dye family, with excellent separation of positively and negatively stained cells. When compared to other spectrally similar tandem conjugates, such as PE-Cy7, PE-Vio 770 exhibits significantly higher fluorescence intensities (fig. 5).



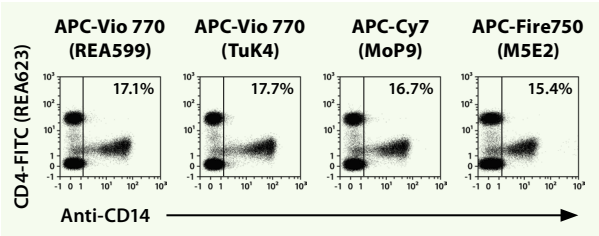
**Figure 5:** Analysis of human PBMCs using CD8 antibodies (clone BW135/80) conjugated to either PE-Vio 770 or PE-Cy7. Concurrent staining with CD14-PerCP and CD56-PE was performed to exclude CD14<sup>+</sup> and CD56<sup>+</sup> cells from the analysis.

	Brightness	Fixation stability	Microscopy	Photostability	Excitation max	Emission max
PerCP-Vio 700	■ ■ ■ ■ □	PFA	Not tested	Not tested	482 nm	704 nm
PE-Vio 615	■ ■ ■ ■ ■	PFA	Not tested	Not tested	565 nm	620 nm
PE-Vio 770	■ ■ ■ ■ □	PFA	Not tested	Not tested	565 nm	775 nm

# Red laser fluorochromes

The APC-Vio® 770 Dye is a tandem conjugate, like APC-Cy7 or APC-H7, consisting of fluorescence donor (APC) and acceptor (Vio 770).

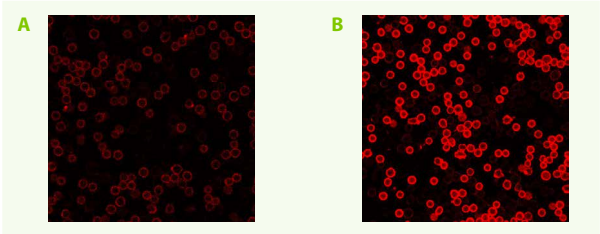
APC-Vio 770 provides strong fluorescent staining for an accurate identification and analysis of specific cellular populations. Compared to other spectrally similar conjugates APC-Vio 770 exhibits equal or stronger staining patterns (fig. 6).



**Figure 6:** Human PBMCs were stained with CD14 antibodies conjugated to either APC-Vio 770, APC-Cy7, or APC-Fire750. Concurrent staining with CD4-FITC (REA623) was performed to identify CD4<sup>+</sup>CD14<sup>+</sup> monocytes.

Vio® Bright R667 is the brightest fluorochrome for the red laser, allowing for improved separation of negative and positive cell populations - great for detection of dim markers.

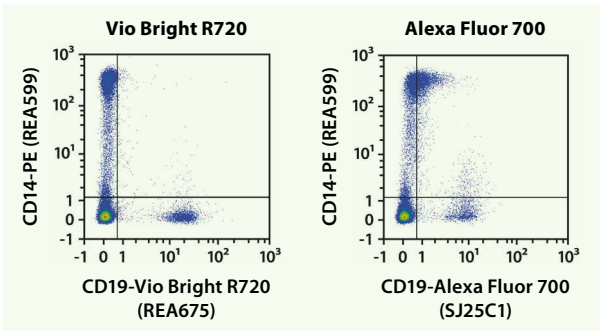
Vio Bright R667 is a superior alternative to the APC conjugate with a 2-fold increase in brightness over APC. Its high fixation and photo stability make it an excellent choice for microscopy applications (fig. 7).



**Figure 7:** Confocal microscopy analysis of PBMCs stained with CD4 antibodies conjugated to either Alexa Fluor 647 (A) or Vio Bright R667 (B).

## Brighter alternative to Alexa-700

VioBright multimerization technology results in 2-fold or higher increase in brightness of Vio Bright R720 compared to conventional fluorophore like Alexa Fluor 700 (fig. 8). This dye also shows significant reduction in background noise.



**Figure 8:** Human PBMCs were stained with CD19 conjugated with Vio Bright R720 or Alexa Fluor 700 and analyzed by the MACSQuant® 16.

	Brightness	Fixation stability	Microscopy	Photostability	Excitation max	Emission max
APC-Vio 770	■ ■ ■ □ □	PFA	Not tested	Not tested	652 nm	775 nm
Vio R667	■ ■ ■ ■ ■	PFA, ethanol, methanol, and acetone	Recommended	Very high	645 nm	668 nm
Vio Bright R667	■ ■ ■ ■ ■ +	PFA, ethanol, methanol, and acetone	Suitable	Medium	645 nm	668 nm
Vio R720	■ ■ ■ □ □	PFA, ethanol, methanol	Not tested	High	695 nm	720 nm
Vio Bright R720	■ ■ ■ ■ □	PFA, ethanol, methanol	Not tested	High	695 nm	720 nm



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