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(57) Abstract

This invention relates to methods of amplifying nucleic acids to minimize contamination by products of earlier amplification reactions. More particularly, it relates to methods of using nucleic acid labels that inhibit further amplification of the amplicon, and compositions that are useful to accomplish this task. In particular, the present invention relates to photoreactive complexes of a binding ligand, a binding enhancer and a label that exhibit.