

## LightCycler® 2.0

**Designed for GeneProof diagnostic kits**  
**Microbiological DNA diagnostics**

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## 1. Purpose

This device manual describes in detail the process of using GeneProof PCR kits for Microbiological DNA diagnostics with the following device: LightCycler® 2.0.

## 2. PCR Reaction Preparation

1. Add **30 µl of MasterMix** and **10 µl of DNA isolate** or **10 µl of Positive Control** into a 100 µl capillary in case of qualitative detection or **10 µl of calibrators** in case of quantitative detection. The final reaction mix volume is **40 µl**.
2. Centrifuge shortly, insert into the device and start the PCR test.

## 3. Device Programming

When using the GeneProof PCR kits for the first time it is necessary to program the amplification profile and save it as a template. During subsequent uses of the GeneProof PCR kits start from chapter **4. PCR Amplification Start**. The software remembers the saved settings.

### 3.1. Software Start

1. Start **LightCycler® Software**.
2. Click **New...** to open the **Create New Object** box.
3. Select **LightCycler Experiment** and click **OK** to confirm.

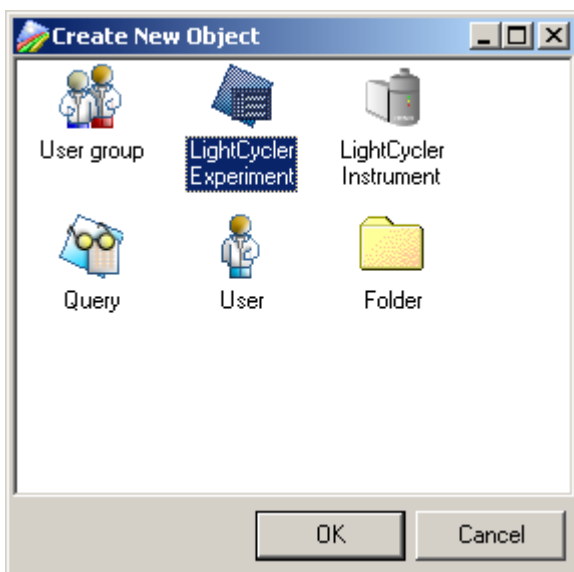


Fig. 3.1 Create New Experiment

## 3.2. Basic Parameter Programming

1. In the **Run** box select **530** in the **Default Channel** field.
2. Enter **37** in the **Seek Temperature** field.
3. Enter **32** in the **Max. Seek Pos.** field.
4. Select **6 Ch.** in the **Instrument Type** field.
5. Select **100** in the **Capillary Size** field.

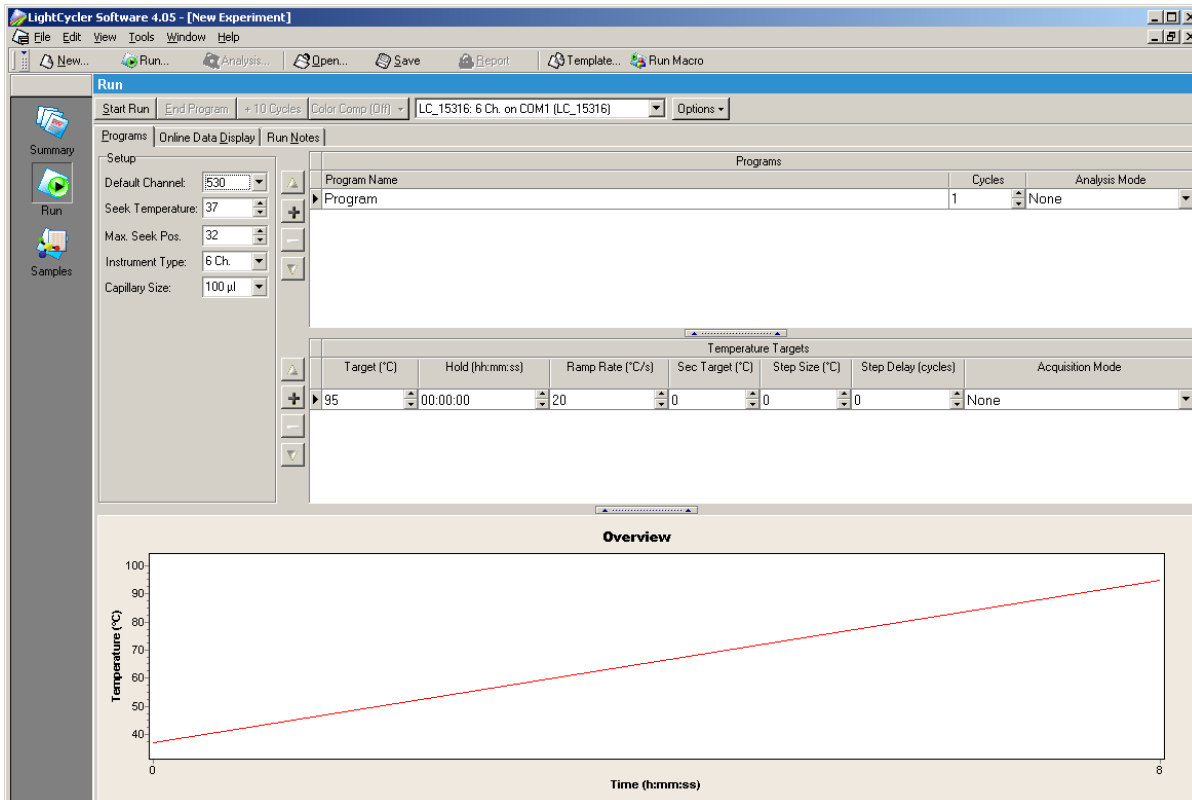


Fig. 3.2 Basic Parameters

### 3.3. Amplification Profile Programming

1. Enter **UDG decontamination** in the **Program Name** field of the **Programs** window, enter **1** in the **Cycles** field and enter **None** in the **Analysis Mode** field. Enter **37** in the **Target (°C)** field in the **Temperature Targets** window, enter **00:02:00** in the **Hold (hh:mm:ss)** field and enter **None** in the **Acquisition Mode** field; leave other items without any changes.

2. Click + to add a new step in the **Programs** window. Enter **Initial denaturation** in the **Program Name** field, enter **1** in the **Cycles** field and enter **None** in the **Analysis Mode** field. Enter **95** in the **Target (°C)** field in the **Temperature Targets** window, enter **00:10:00** in the **Hold (hh:mm:ss)** field and enter **None** in the **Acquisition Mode** field; leave other items without any changes.

3. Click + to add a new step in the **Programs** window. Enter **PCR** in the **Program Name** field, enter **45** in the **Cycles** field and enter **Quantification** in the **Analysis Mode** field.

- Enter **95** in the **Target (°C)** field in the **Temperature Targets** window, enter **00:00:05** in the **Hold (hh:mm:ss)** field and enter **None** in the **Acquisition Mode** field; leave other items without any changes.
- Click + in the **Temperature Targets** window to add an additional program step. Enter **60** in the **Target (°C)** field, enter **00:00:40** in the **Hold (hh:mm:ss)** field and enter **Single** in the **Acquisition Mode** field; leave other items without any changes.
- Click + in the **Temperature Targets** window to add an additional program step. Enter **72** in the **Target (°C)** field, enter **00:00:20** in the **Hold (hh:mm:ss)** field and enter **None** in the **Acquisition Mode** field; leave other items without any changes.

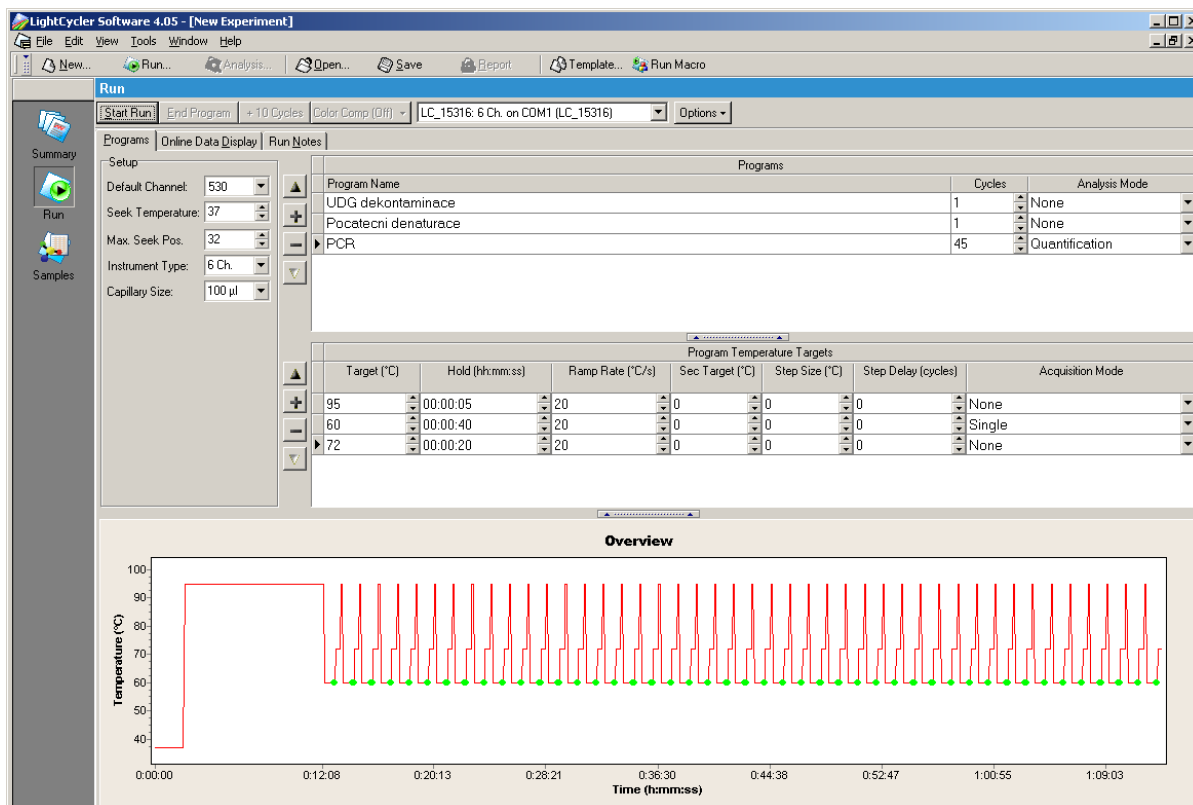


Fig. 3.3 Amplification Programming

## 3.4. Save Template

1. Select **Tools** in the upper menu bar and then select **Create Macro/Kit/Template...**
2. Check **Run Protocol Template** in the **Create Experiment Template** box and click **OK** to confirm.

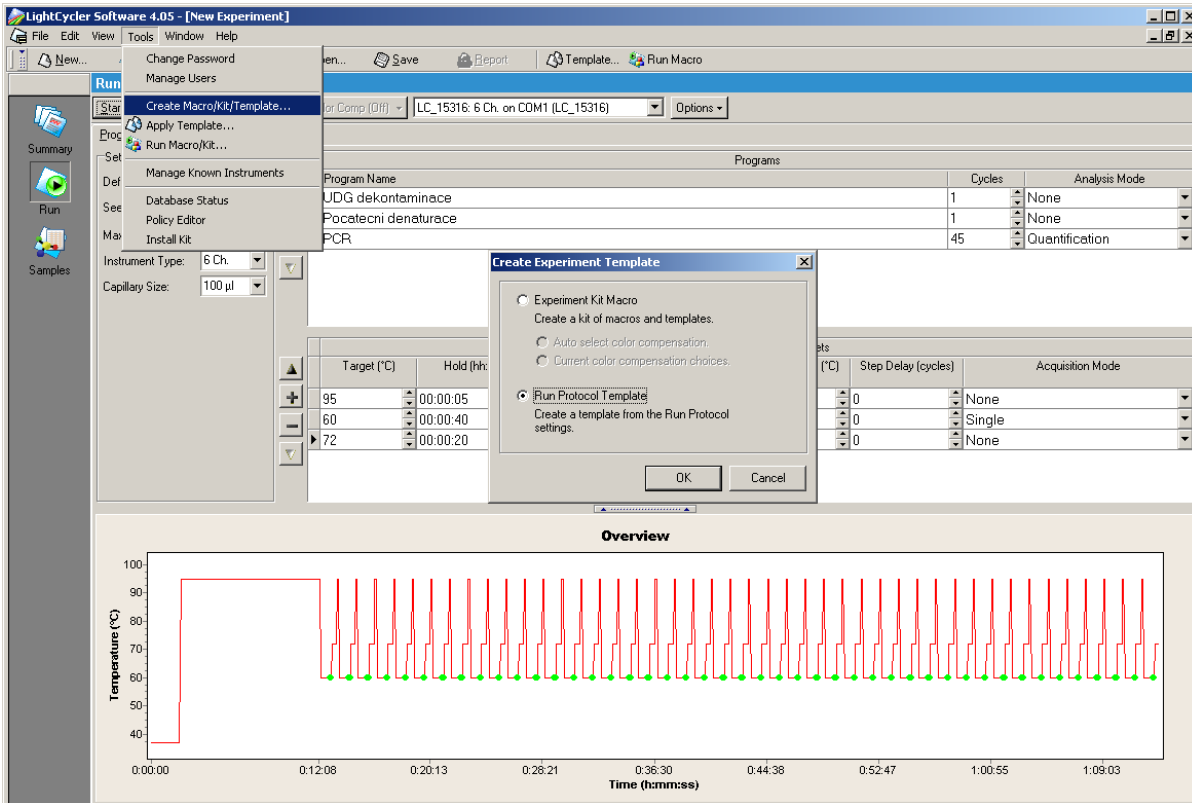


Fig. 3.4 Template Selection

3. Save the template into the **Run Templates** folder with the following name: **GeneProof DNA PCR**.

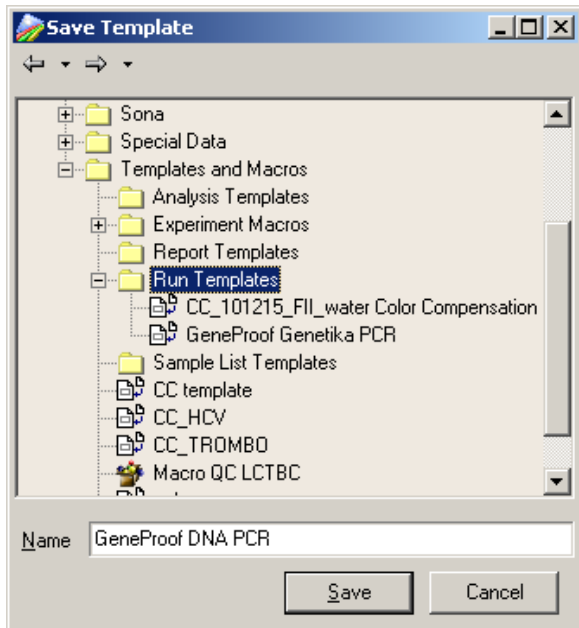


Fig. 3.5 Save Template

## 4. PCR Amplification Start

When using the GeneProof PCR kits for the first time it is necessary to program the amplification profile and save it as a template (see chapter 3. **Device Programming**). It is not necessary to program the amplification profile again for subsequent GeneProof PCR kit uses.

### 4.1. Open Saved Template

1. Start **LightCycler® Software**.
2. Click **New...** to open the **Create New Object** box.
3. Select **LightCycler Experiment** and click **OK** to confirm.

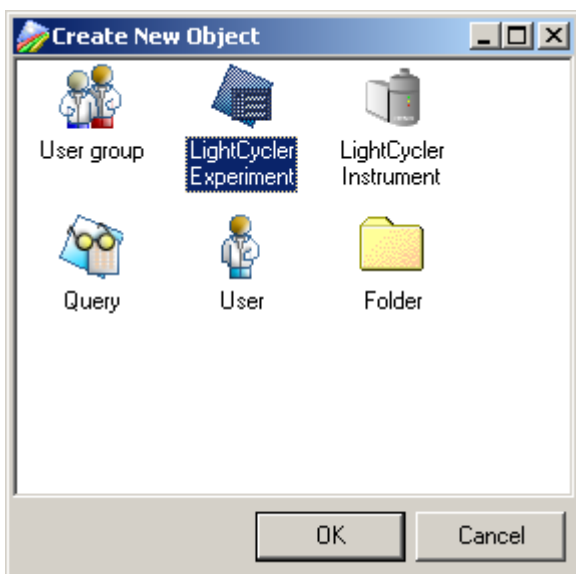



Fig. 4.1 Create New Experiment



4. Click the  Template... button to open the **Apply Template** box.
5. Select **GeneProof DNA PCR** in the **Run Templates** folder and click **Open**.

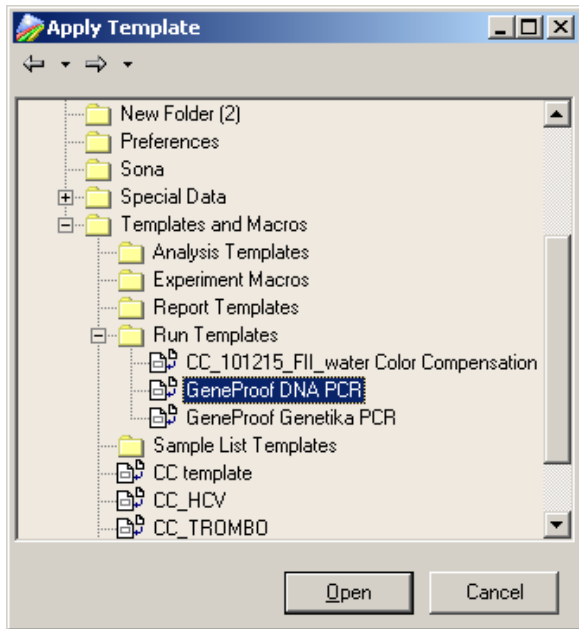


Fig. 4.2 Open Template

## 4.2. Edit Sample

1. Switch to **Samples** in the left side of the main window.
2. In the **Sample data** box enter the **number of samples under examination** in the **Sample Count** field.
3. In the **Sample Name** column you can assign names to the samples and in the **Sample Note** column you can add notes.

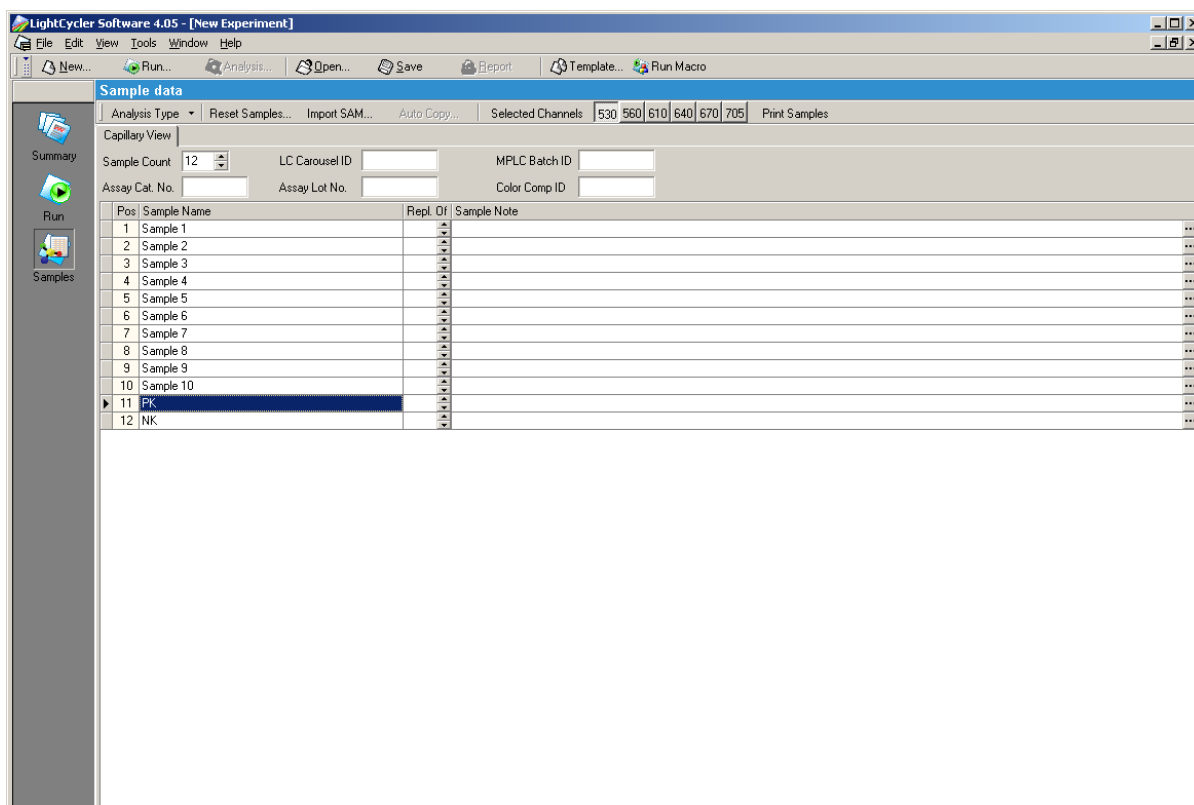


Fig. 4.3 Sample Description

For quantitative analysis only

4. Click **Analysis Type** and select **Absolute Quantification**.

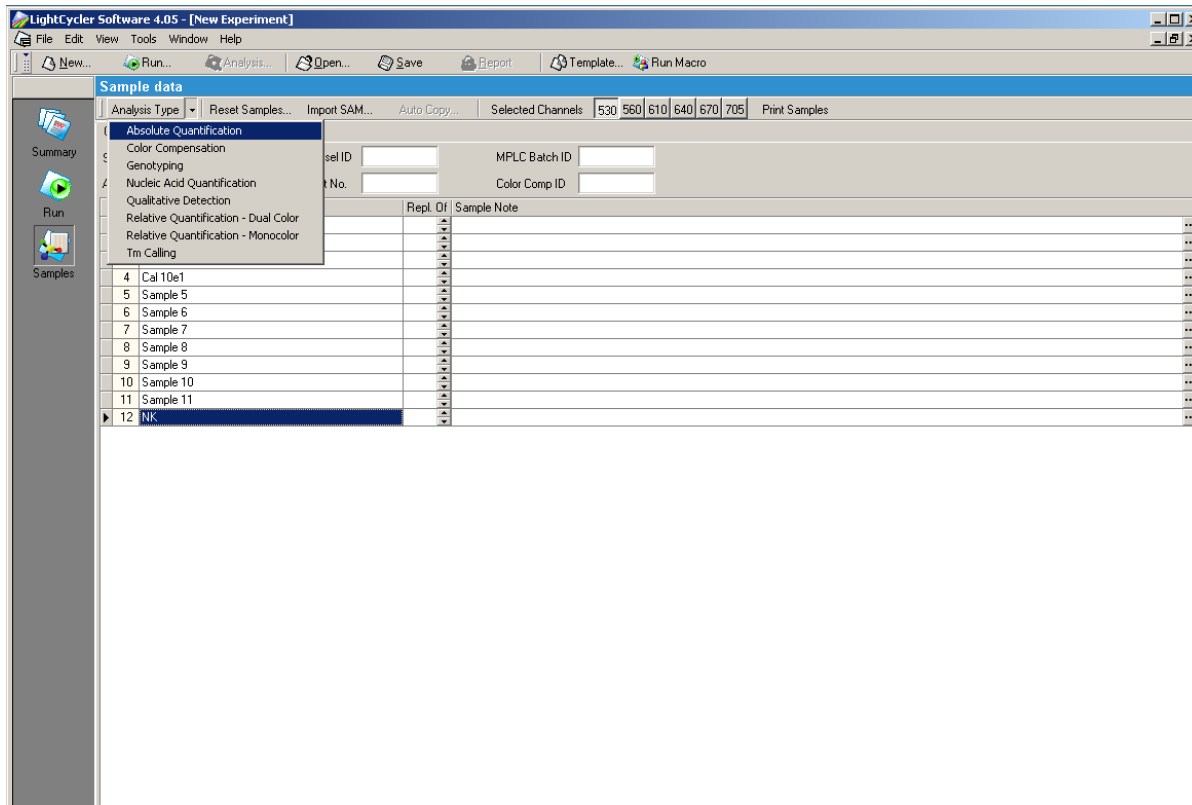


Fig. 4.4 Edit Samples for Quantitative Analysis

5. Select **Standard** in the **Sample type** column of the positions containing calibrators and enter the calibrator concentration into the **Concentration** field.

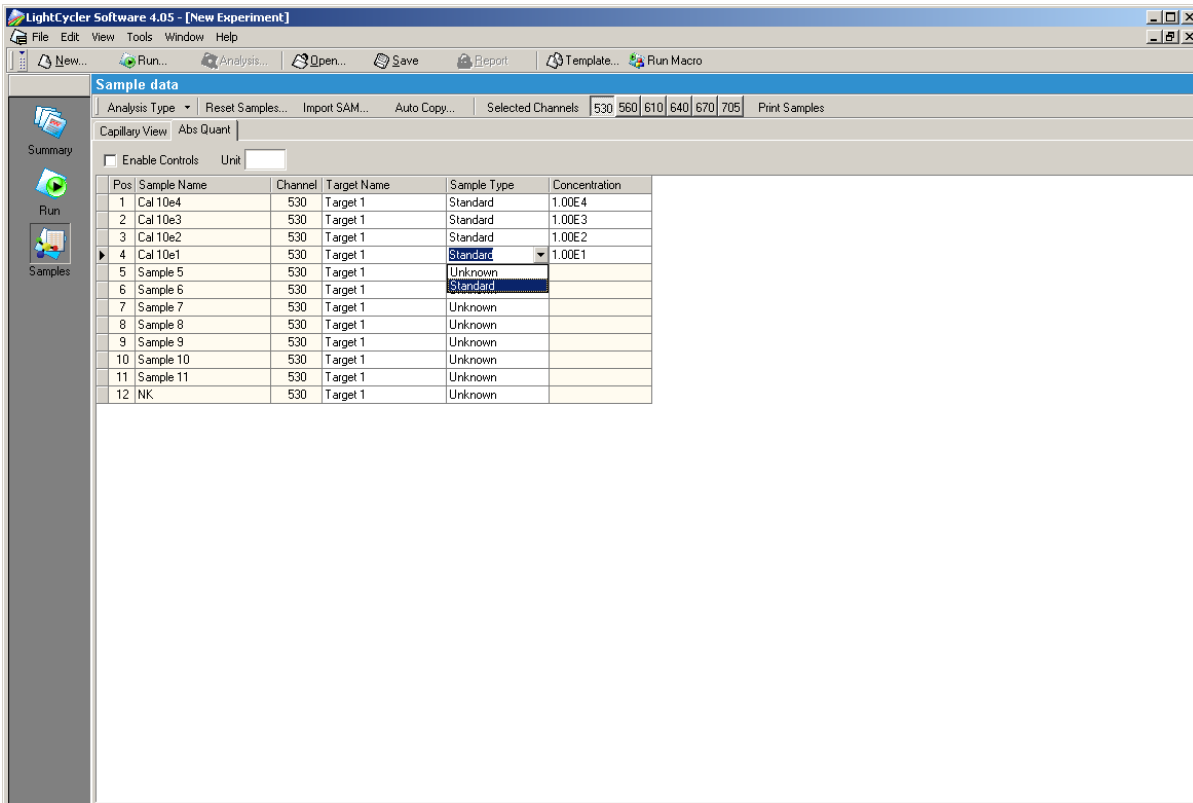


Fig. 4.5 Calibrators Setting

## 4.3. Start Experiment

Save the experiment before starting the device.

1. Click the  **Save** button to open the **Save LightCycler Experiment** box.
2. Assign a name to the experiment and click **Save** to save it into the **Experiments** folder.

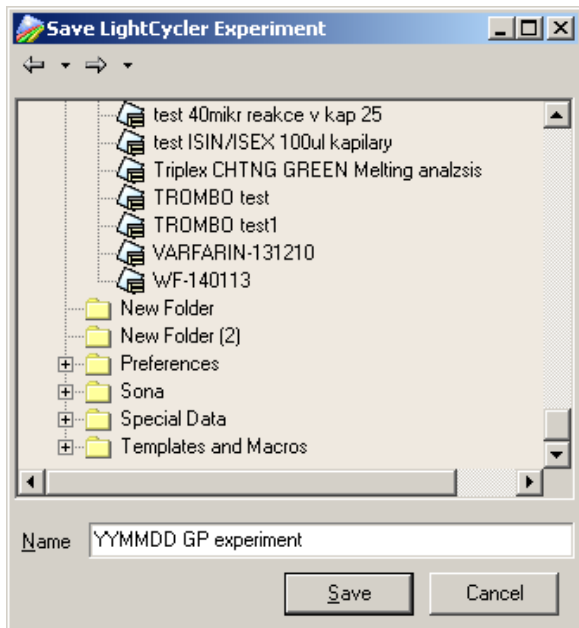


Fig. 4.6 Save Experiment

3. Switch back to **Run** in the left side of the main window.
4. Click **Start Run** in the **Run** box to start the experiment.

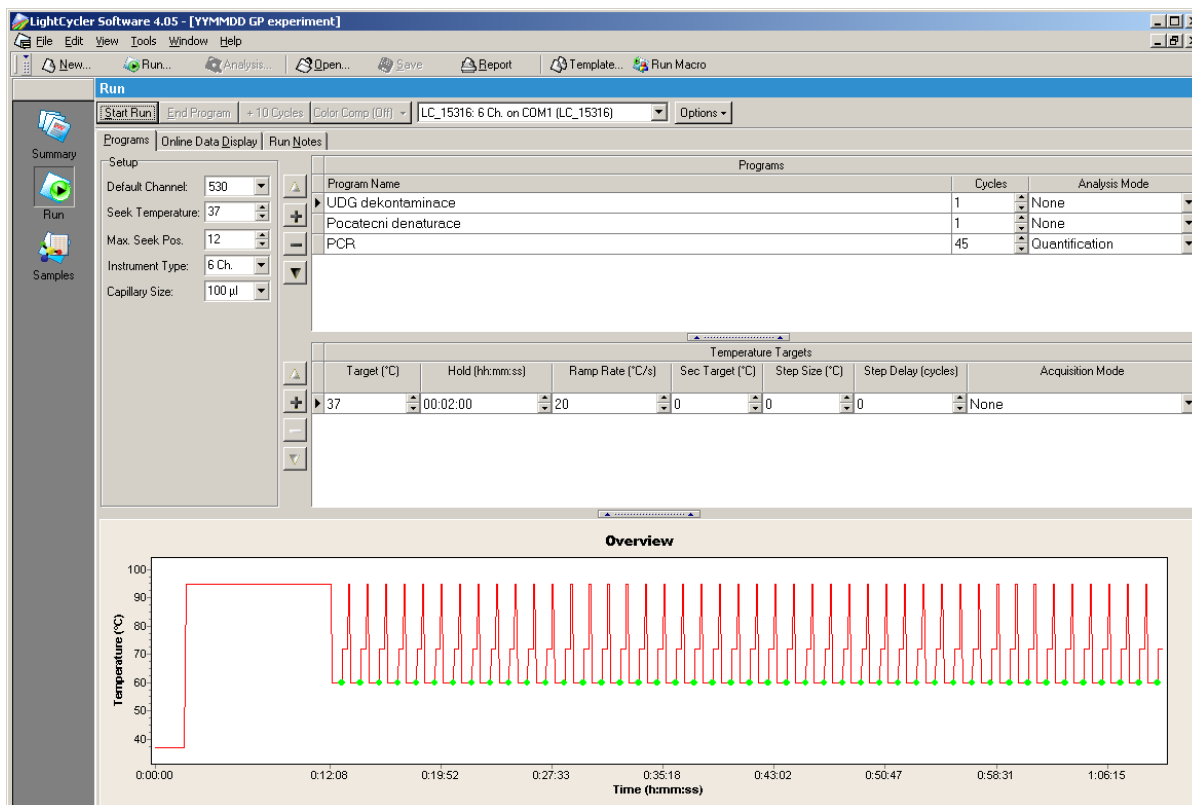


Fig. 4.7 Start Experiment

## 5. Result Analysis and Detection Evaluation

**Run Complete** will display in the upper part of the **Run** box after the experiment has been processed.

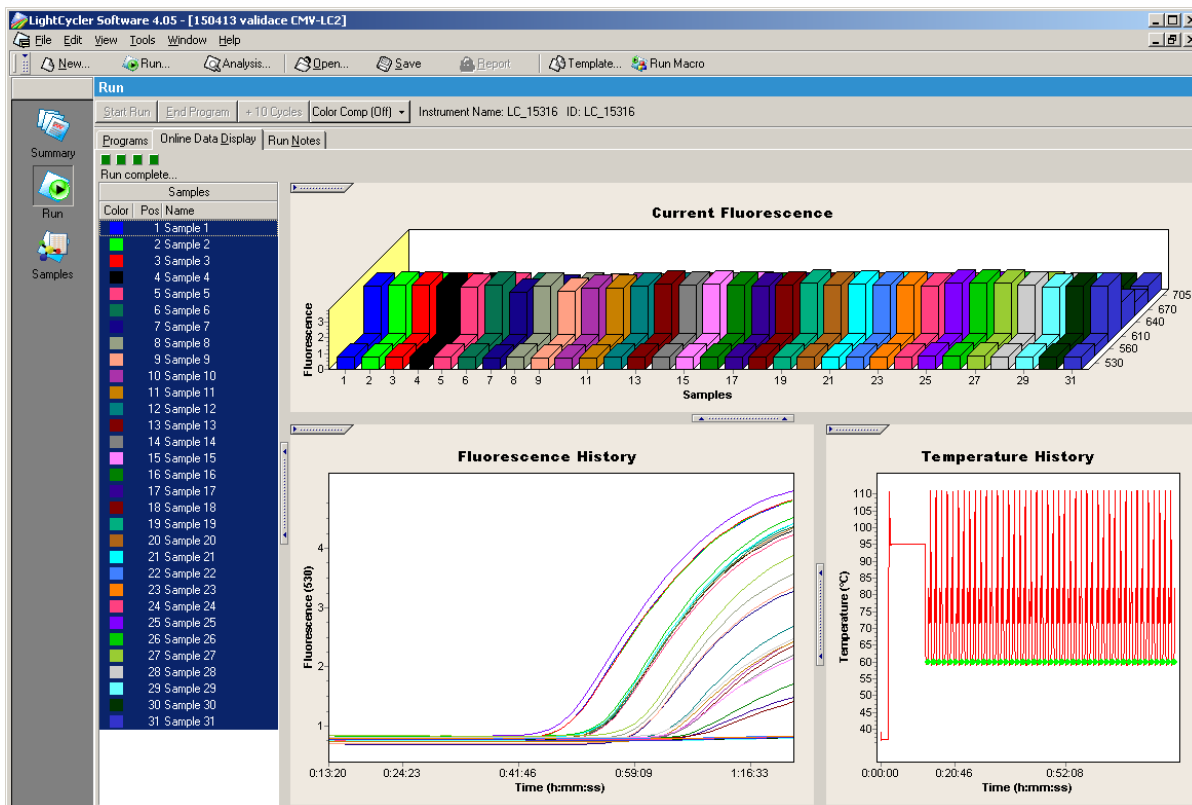


Fig. 5.1 Finished Experiment

## 5.1. Detection Analysis of the Studied Microorganism

1. Click  Analysis... to open the **Create New Analysis** box.
2. Check **Absolute Quantification** and click **OK** to confirm.

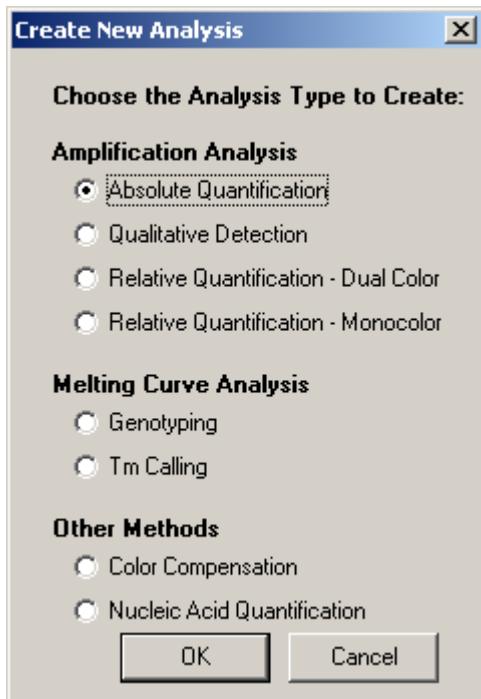


Fig. 5.2 New Analysis



3. Click **Channel** and select **530** in the **Absolute Quantification** box.

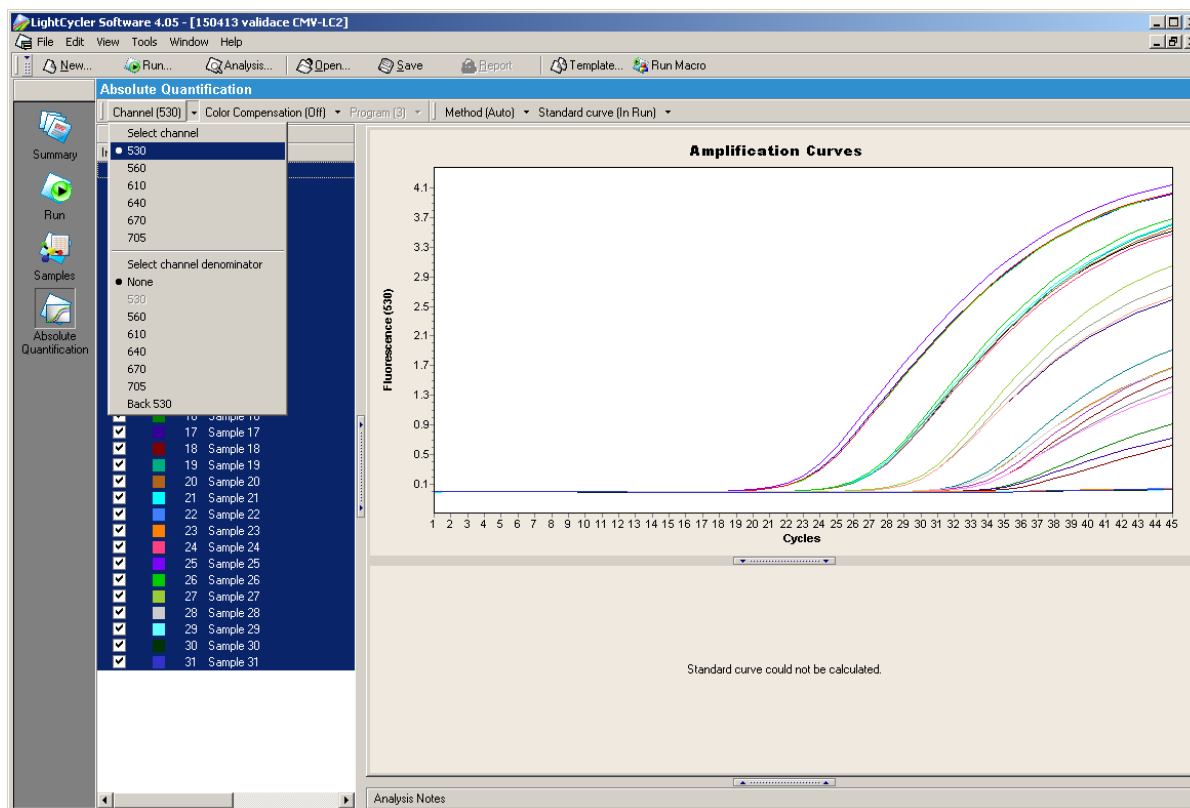


Fig. 5.3 FAM Channel Selection

4. Click **Color Compensation**; in the newly opened **Select Object** box select the appropriate color-compensation file and click **OK** to confirm.

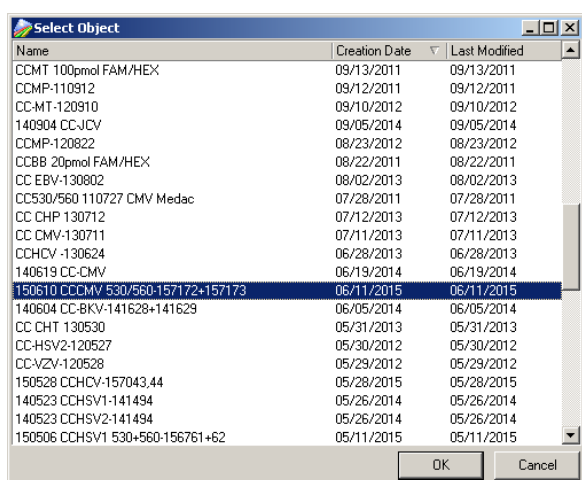


Fig. 5.4 Color-Compensation File Selection

5. Check **530** and **560** in the **Color Compensation Channels** box and click OK to confirm.

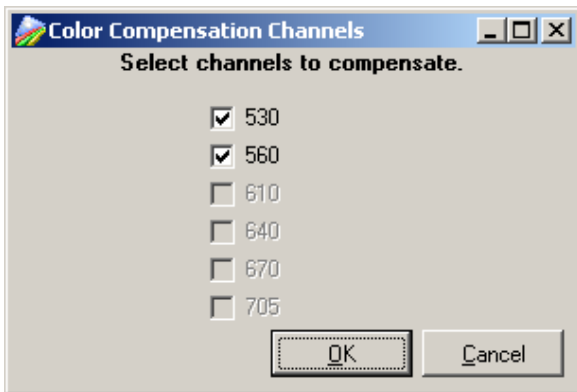


Fig. 5.5 Color-Compensation Channels Selection

The color-compensation will modify the curves.

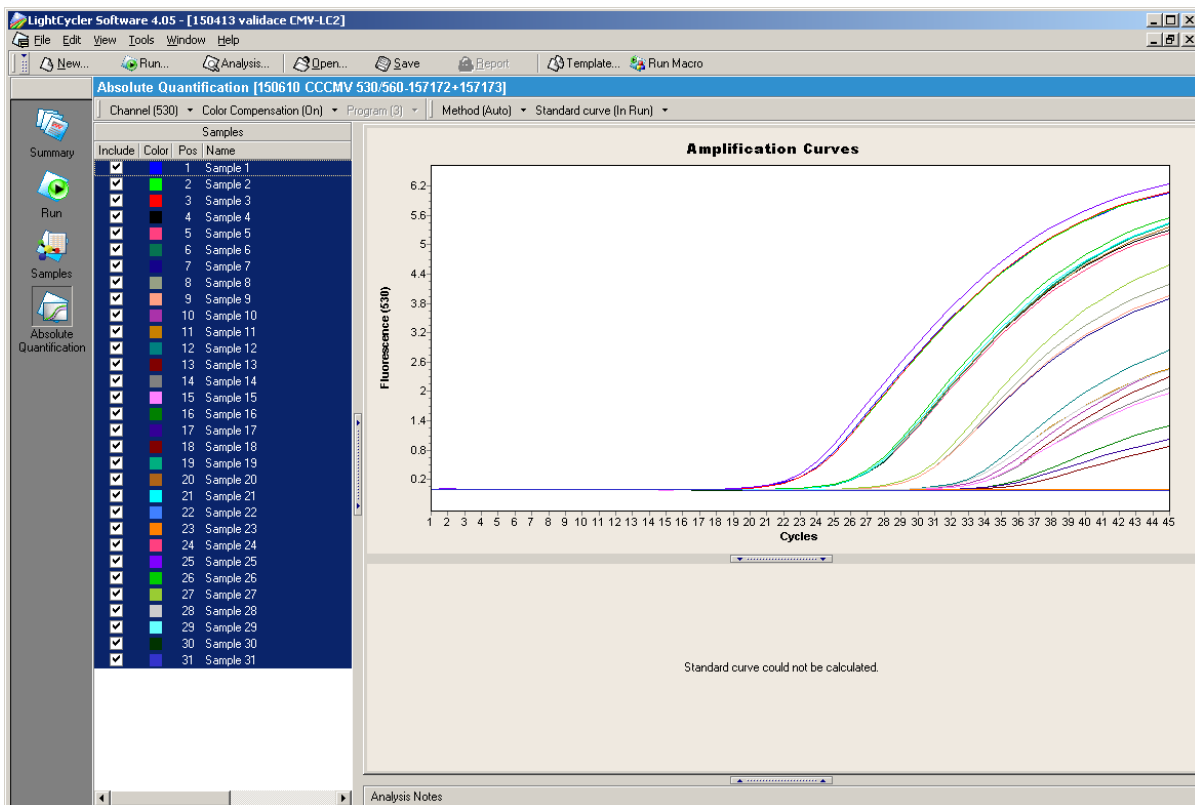


Fig. 5.6 Curves After Color-Compensation

6. Click **Method** and select **Fit Points**.

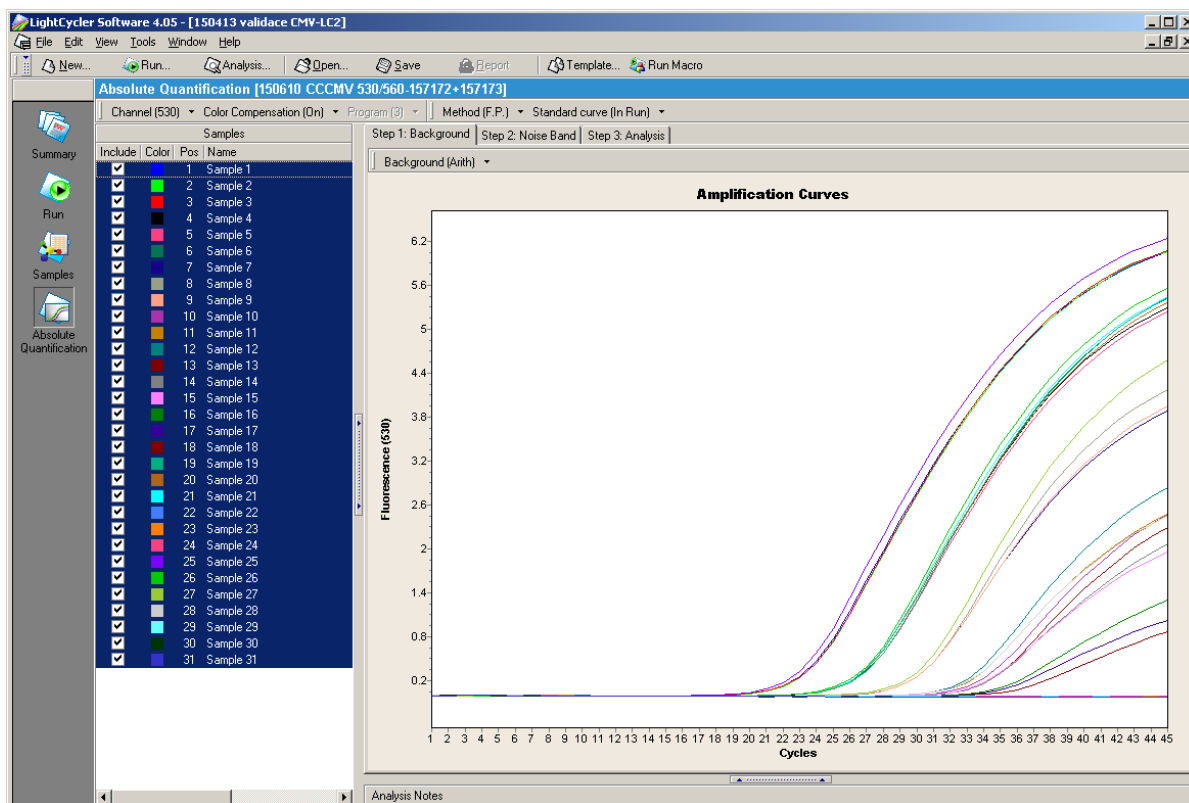


Fig. 5.7 Fit Points Method

7. Switch to the **Step2: Noise Band** tab and move the line above the reaction basal noise

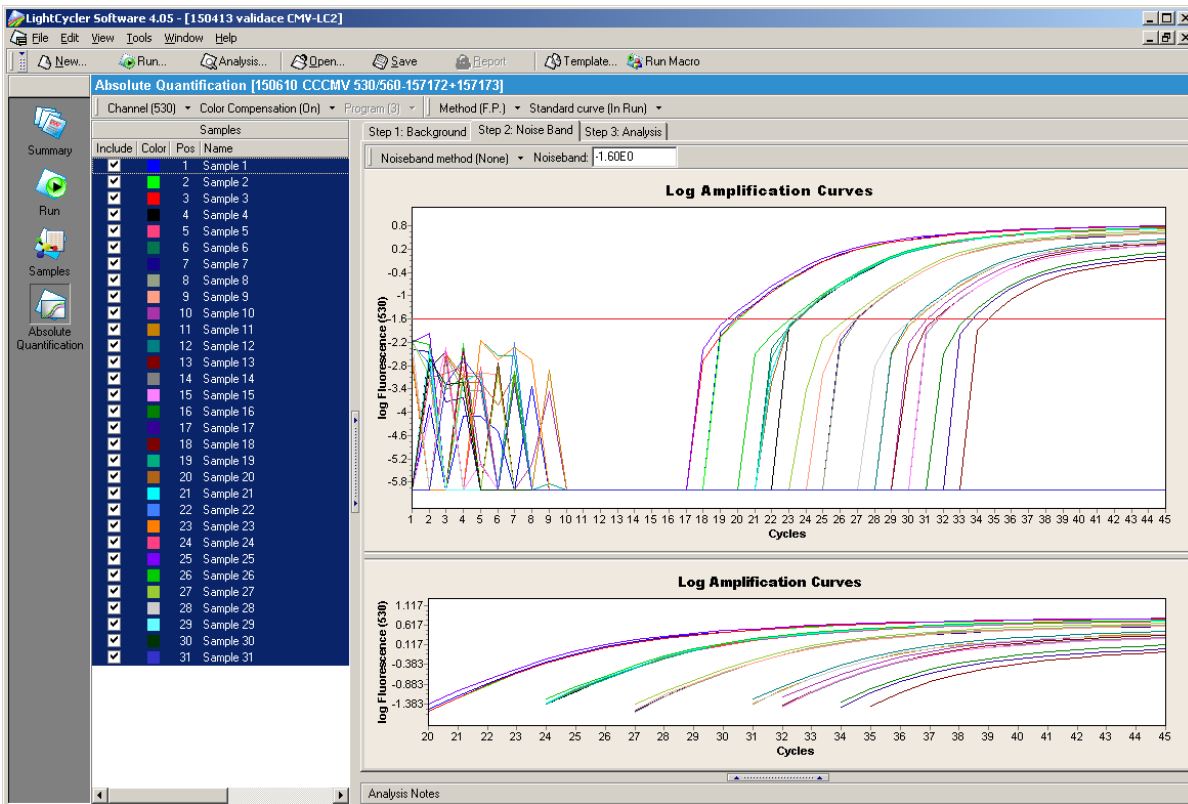


Fig. 5.8 Noise Band Setting

8. Switch to the **Step 3: Analysis** and move the **Threshold** line to intersect all the curves.

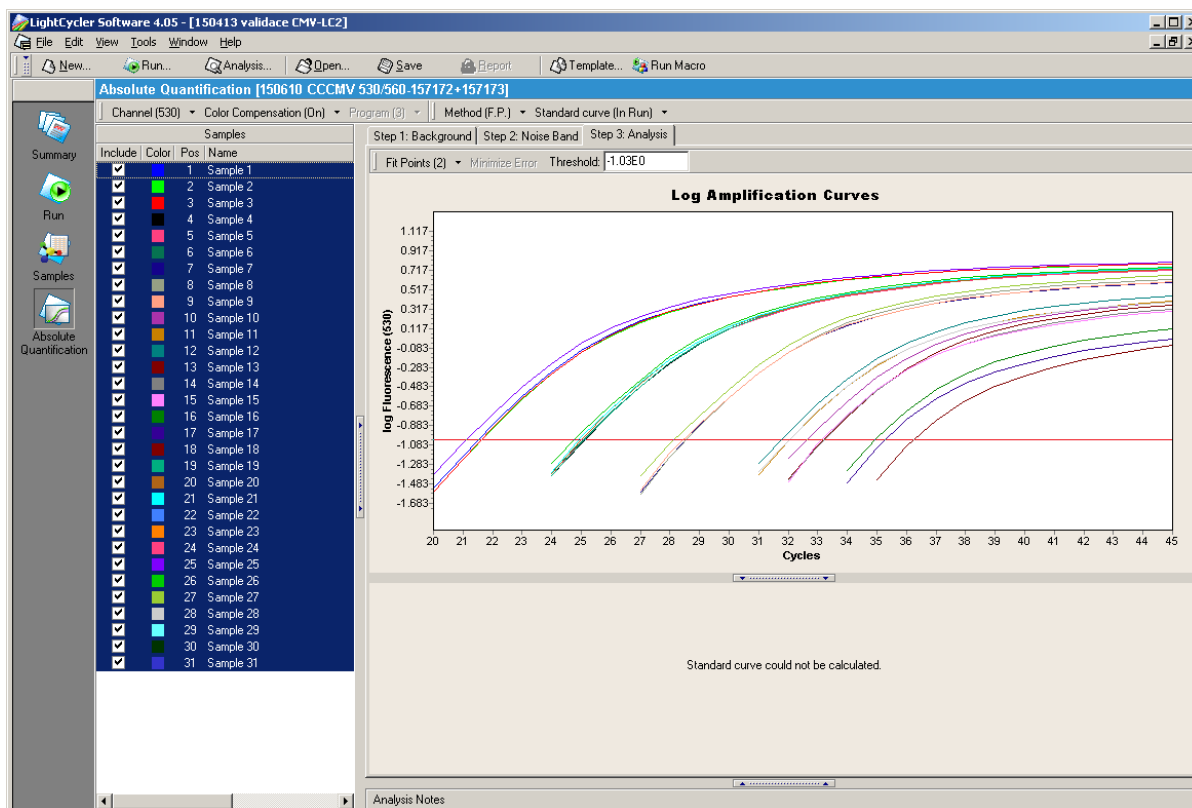



Fig. 5.9 Threshold Setting

9. Click the separator  between the sample table and the chart to display the results. Samples with **CP** values displayed are positive.

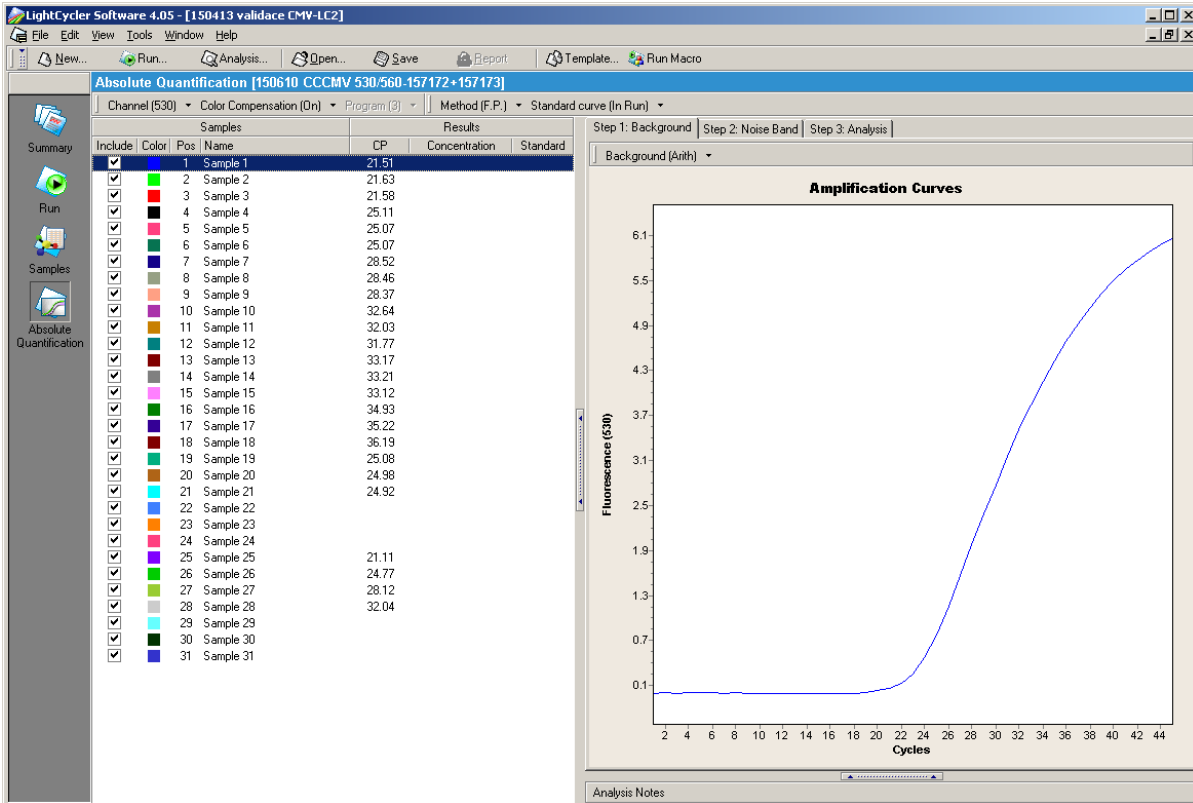


Fig. 5.10 Assessment

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A standard curve is calculated in case of a quantitative examination.

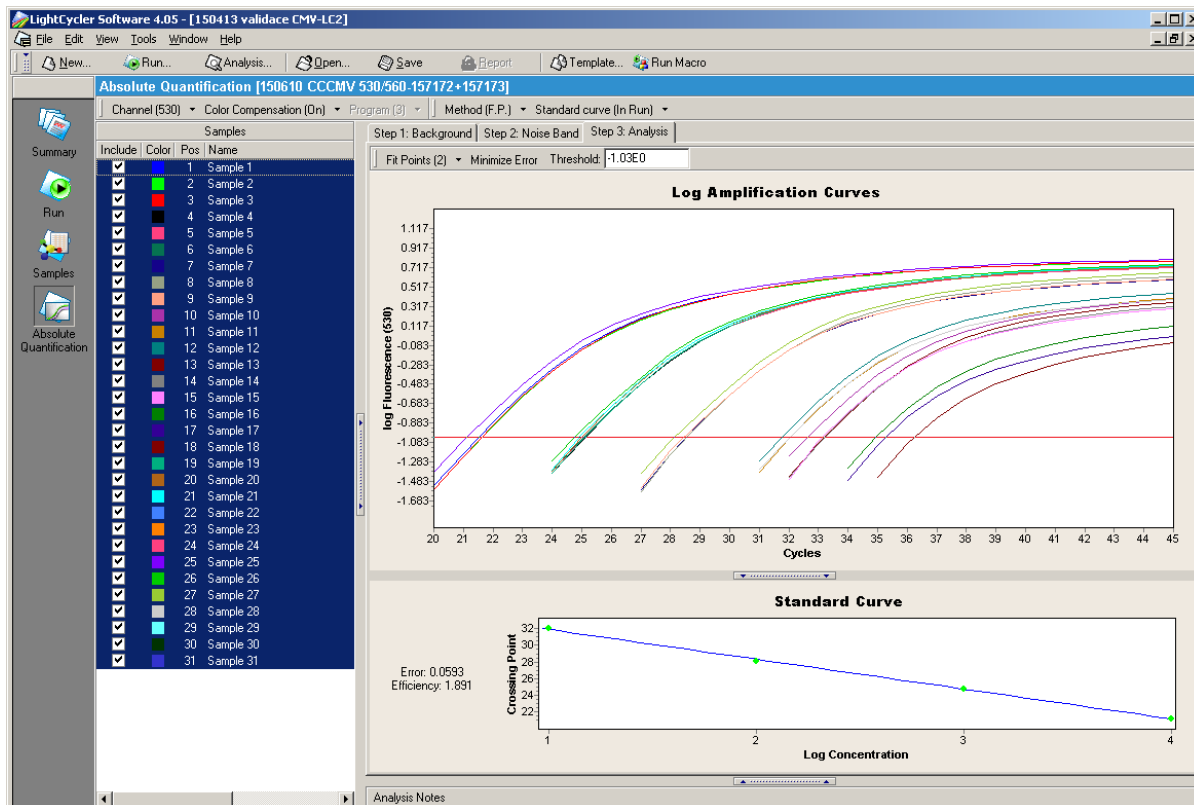



Fig. 5.11 Standard Curve

Click the separator  between the sample table and the chart to display **CP** values and the resulting sample concentrations.

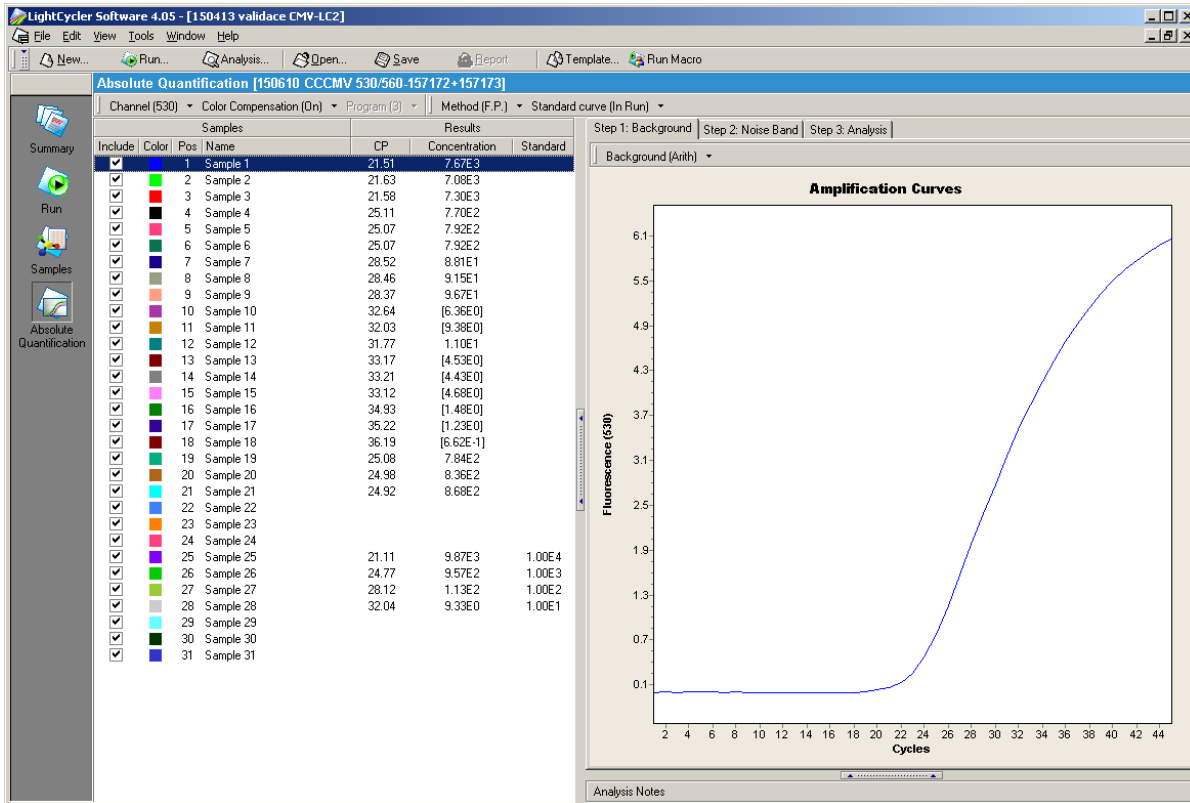


Fig. 5.12 Resulting Concentrations

Perform evaluation, including the pathogen concentration calculation in copies/ml (IU/ml) according to the package insert of the used GeneProof PCR kit



## 5.2. Internal Standard Detection Analysis

1. Click **Channel** and select **560** in the **Absolute Quantification** box.

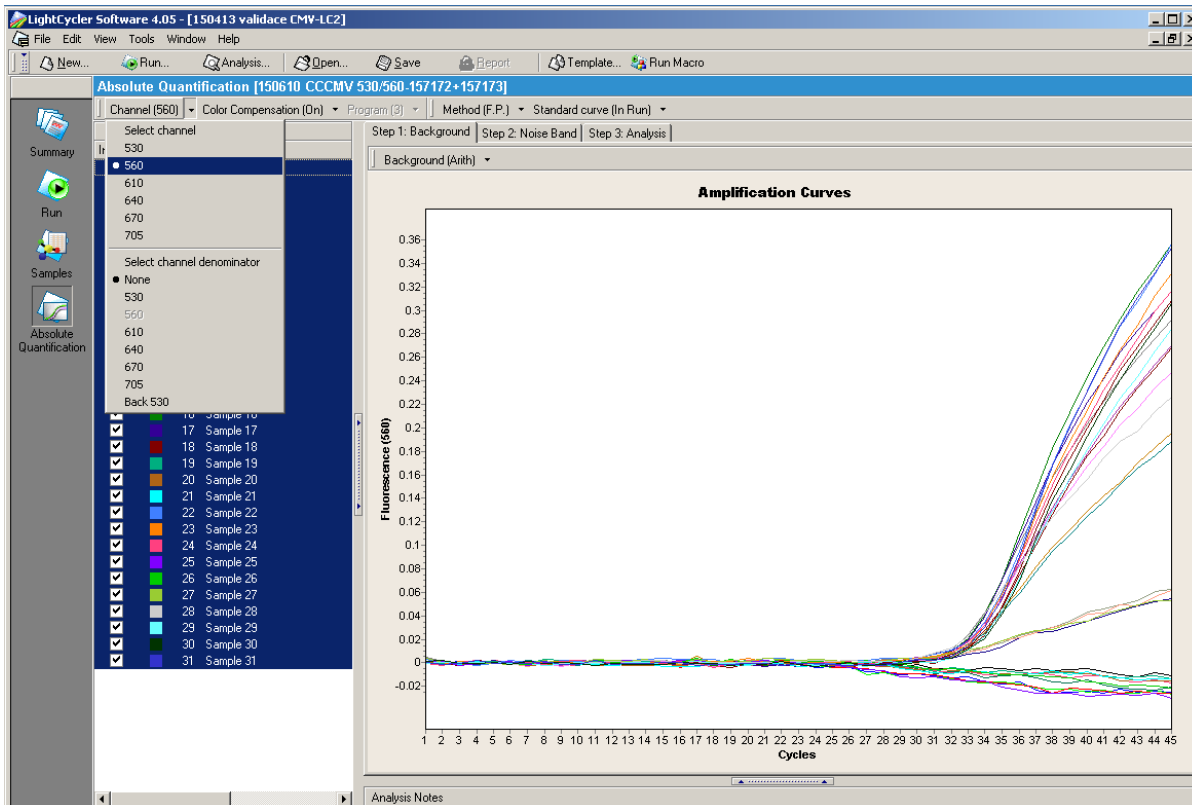


Fig. 5.13 HEX Channel Selection

2. In the **Step2: Noise Band** tab move the line above the reaction basal noise.
3. In the **Step 3: Analysis** tab move the **Threshold** line to intersect all the curves.

Perform evaluation according to the package insert of the used GeneProof PCR kit.

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- Provision of free PCR kit samples, including demonstration in the customer's laboratory and personnel training
- Express deliveries
- Quick solution of problems related to the supplied products – service guaranteed within 24 hours from the time of announcement
- Consultations concerning technological and clinical interpretations

To assure the quickest possible solution of any problem we always require the GeneProof PCR Kit users to provide the following information:

- Kit name
- Problem definition
- Kit lot - specified on the kit package
- Used device
- File with the examination log from the used device

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