

### **PRODUCT DATASHEET**

# Ready-to-Assay<sup>™</sup> GPBA Bile Acid Receptor Frozen Cells

### CATALOG NUMBER: HTS238LRTA

**CONTENTS**: Pack contains 2 vials of mycoplasma-free cells, 1 ml per vial. Fifty (50) mL of Media Component. **STORAGE**: Vials are to be stored in liquid  $N_2$ . Media Component at 4°C (-20°C for prolonged storage).

### BACKGROUND

Ready-to-Assay<sup>™</sup> GPCR frozen cells are designed for simple, rapid calcium assays with no requirement for intensive cell culturing. Eurofins Discovery Services has optimized the freezing conditions to provide cells with high viability and functionality post-thaw. The user simply thaws the cells and resuspends them in media, dispenses cell suspension into assay plates and, following over night recovery, assays for calcium response.

ChemiBrite cells co-express a GPCR along with a novel variant of clytin, a calcium-activated photoprotein, to enable sensitive luminescent detection of ligand-induced calcium flux. The ChemiBrite version of clytin contains a mutation that increases its affinity for calcium to a level that permits detection of cytosolic calcium in many cells with greater sensitivity than other mitochondrially expressed photoproteins. Luminescent calcium assays offer several advantages over fluorescent calcium assays including; lower substrate cost, increased sensitivity, and lack of interference from fluorescent compounds.

The bile acid lithocolic acid acts as an agonist on the GPBA GPCR, also known as GPR131 or TGR5, to increase intracellular cAMP in cells that express the receptor (Maruyama et al., 2002). Bile acids and other GPBA ligands increase glucagon-like peptide-1 (GLP-1) secretion from intestinal cells. Although Type II diabetics have impaired ability to secrete GLP-1, their responsiveness to this compound, which enhances the effects of insulin, is normal. Thus GPBA agonists are of interest in developing therapeutics for diabetes. Interestingly, it has been suggested that the anti-diabetic effect of olive leaves could in part be mediated by agonist activity at GPBA receptors by oleanolic acid (Sato et al. 2007). Cloned GPBA receptor-expressing ChemiBrite cells were made by stable transfection of HEK293 cells with ChemiBrite clytin and the receptor and a promiscuous G protein to couple the receptor to the calcium signaling pathway. The cells have been cryopreserved at an optimal time post-transfection. Upon thaw, recovery, and loading, the cells are ready for luminescent, fluorescent and cAMP accumulation analysis of agonists, antagonists and modulators at the GPBA receptor.

### **USE RESTRICTIONS**

Please see User Agreement (Label License) for further details. One such restriction is that the contents of the supplied vial(s) are limited to a single use and shall not be propagated and/or re-frozen by licensee.

### WARNINGS

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#### GMO

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### **APPLICATIONS**

Calcium Flux Assays: Luminescent Mode and Fluorescent Mode; cAMP accumulation

#### **APPLICATION DATA**

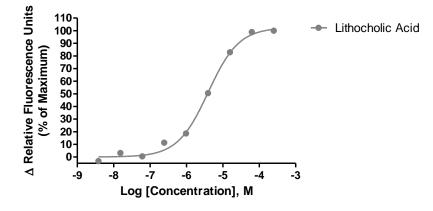


Figure 1. Representative data for activation of GPBA receptor. Calcium flux in GPBA–expressing HEK293 cell line induced by Lithocholic Acid. GPBA–expressing HEK293 cells were loaded with a calcium dye, and calcium flux in response to the indicated ligand(s), 4-fold serial dilution with each concentration performed in triplicate, was determined on a Molecular Devices FLIPR<sup>TETRA</sup>. Maximal fluorescence signal obtained in this experiment was 8,000 RLU (Relative Light Units).

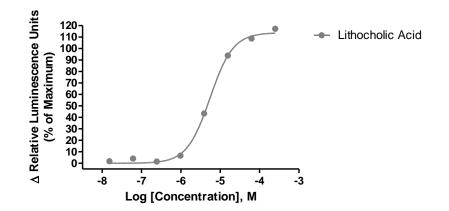


Figure 2. Representative data for activation of GPBA receptor expressed in HEK293 cells induced by Lithocholic Acid using a luminescent calcium flux assay. GPBA–expressing HEK293 cells were loaded with 10µM coelenterazine for 2h at room temperature and calcium flux in response to the indicated ligand was determined on a Molecular Devices FLIPR<sup>TETRA</sup>® with ICCD camera in 96-well format. Luminescence signal obtained in this experiment was 35,000 RLU (Relative Light Units) as measured by area-under-curve for 80s post agonist addition using the provided protocol.



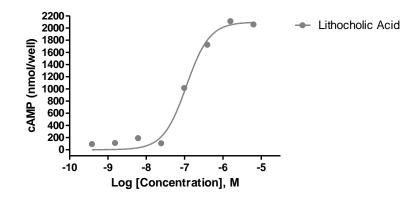


Figure 3. Representative data for activation of GPBA receptor stably expressed in HEK293 cells induced by Lithocholic Acid using a cAMP accumulation assay. GPBA–expressing HEK293 cells were seeded into a 96-well plate, and the following day the cells were treated with Lithocholic Acid for 15 minutes in the presence of 100µM IBMX to determine receptor-mediated cAMP generation using a time-resolved fluorescence resonance energy transfer (TR-FRET) assay measured on the BioTek Synergy.

Table 1. Comparison of EC<sub>50</sub> values of GPBA-expressing HEK293 cells.

LIGAND	ASSAY	POTENCY (µM)	REFERENCE
Lithocholic Acid	Calcium Flux - Fluorescence	3.9	Eurofins Internal Data
Lithocholic Acid	Calcium Flux - Luminescence	9 5.5	Eurofins Internal Data
Lithocholic Acid	cAMP accumulation	0.11	Eurofins Internal Data

# **ASSAY SETUP**

#### Luminescence

Table 2. Settings for FLIPR<sup>TETRA</sup>® with ICCD camera option

Option	Setting
Read Mode	Luminescence
Ex/Em	None/None
Camera Gain	280,000
Gate Open	100 %
Exposure Time	0.9 sec
Read Interval	1 sec.
Dispense Volume	50 μl (25 μl for 384-well)
Dispense Height	95 μl (50 μl for 384-well)
Dispense Speed	50 µl/sec
Expel Volume	Ο μΙ
Analysis	Subtract Bias Sample 1



#### **Fluorescence**

Table 3. Settings for FLIPR<sup>TETRA®</sup> with ICCD camera option

Option	Setting
Read Mode	Fluorescence
Ex/Em	Ex470_495 / Em515_575
Camera Gain	2000
Gate Open	6 %
Exposure Time	0.53
Read Interval	1s
Dispense Volume	50 µl (25 µl for 384-well)
Dispense Height	95 µl (50 µl for 384-well)
Dispense Speed	50 µl/sec
Expel Volume	Ο μΙ
Analysis	Subtract Bias Sample 1

#### Table 4. Assay Materials (Not provided)

Description	Supplier and Product Number
HBSS	Invitrogen: 14025
HEPES 1M Stock	EMD Millipore: TMS-003-C
Probenicid	Sigma: P8761
Quest Fluo-8 <sup>™</sup> , AM	AAT Bioquest: 21080
Lithocholic Acid ligand	Sigma: T7515
Non-Binding 96/384 well Plates (for ligand prep)	Corning: 3605/ 3574
Black (clear Bottom) cell assay plates	Corning: 3904/ 3712
Coelenterazine-h (250µg). Prepare to 10mM	Promega: S2011

### Assay Protocol – Luminescence

- 1. Dissociate Culture as Recommended. Collect in Basal Medium. Document Cell Count and Viability
- 2. Centrifuge the cell suspension at 190 x g for six min
- Remove supernatant. Gently resuspend the cell pellet in Basal Medium. It is suggested that end user optimize cell plating based on individual formats. (Default: Resuspend in volume to achieve 5x10<sup>5</sup>cells/ml (i.e, if collected 5e6 TC, <sup>5e6/</sup><sub>5e5/ml</sub> =10 mL volume)
- 4. Seed cell suspension into black, clear bottom plate (100 µL/well for 96-well plate). When seeding is complete, place the assay plate at room temperature for 30 min.
- 5. Move assay plate to a humidified 37°C 5% CO<sub>2</sub> incubator for 18-24 h.
- 6. Next day, prepare Assay buffer (HBSS, 20mM HEPES, pH 7.4) and Loading buffer (Assay buffer with 10μM coelenterazine). Note: Please prepare coelenterazine stock according to Manufacturer's Recommendations at 10mM to allow for 1:1000 dilution into Loading buffer (10uM final concentration). It is critical that coelenterazine solution is prepared at room temperature and is protected from light.
- 7. Remove medium from assay plate and wash 1X with Assay Buffer.
- Add Loading buffer to assay plate (100 μL/well for 96-well plate). Incubate plate for 1.5 h at room temperature, protected from light.
- 9. Prepare ligands in assay buffer at 3x final concentration in non-binding plates. Use Buffer Only Control Wells for Background Subtraction.
- 10. Create protocol for ligand addition. Please refer to FLIPR<sup>TETRA®</sup> settings provided in Table 2. Set time course for 180 s, with ligand addition at 10 s.
- 11. After the run is complete, apply subtract bias on sample 1. Export data to analyze using the area under the curve statistic.



### **Assay Protocol – Fluorescence**

- 1. Dissociate Culture as Recommended. Collect in Basal Medium. Document Cell Count and Viability
- 2. Centrifuge the cell suspension at 190 x g for six min
- 3. Remove supernatant. Gently resuspend the cell pellet in Basal Medium. *It is suggested that end user optimize cell plating based on individual formats.* (Default: Resuspend in volume to achieve 5x10<sup>5</sup>cells/ml *(i.e., if collected 5e6 TC,* <sup>5e6/</sup><sub>5e5/ml</sub> =10 mL volume)
- 4. Seed cell suspension into black, clear bottom plate (100 µL/well for 96-well plate). When seeding is complete, place the assay plate at room temperature for 30 min.
- 5. Move assay plate to a humidified  $37^{\circ}C$  5% CO<sub>2</sub> incubator for 18-24 h.
- 6. Next day, prepare Assay buffer (HBSS, 20mM HEPES, 2.5 mM Probenicid, pH 7.4) and Loading buffer (Assay buffer with 5 mM Fluo8 Dye). *Note: Please prepare Fluo8 stock according to Manufacturer's Recommendations*
- 7. Remove medium from assay plate and wash 1X with Assay Buffer.
- Add Loading buffer to assay plate (100 μL/well for 96-well plate). Incubate plate for 1.5 h at room temperature, protected from light.
- 9. Prepare ligands in assay buffer at 3x final concentration in non-binding plates. Use Buffer Only Control Wells for Background Subtraction.
- 10. Create protocol for ligand addition. Please refer to FLIPR<sup>TETRA®</sup> settings provided in Table 2. Set time course for 180 s, with ligand addition at 10 s.
- 11. After the run is complete, apply subtract bias on sample 1. We recommend using Negative Control Correction with Buffer Only Wells. Export data to according to research needs. For most Calcium Flux analysis using Export of Max Signal to end of run is sufficient.

### **HOST CELL**

HEK293

# **EXONGENOUS GENE EXPRESSION**

GPBAR1 cDNA (Accession Number: NM\_170699; see CODING SEQUENCE below) and a proprietary mutant clytin photoprotein, and promiscuous G protein each expressed in a bicistronic vector

### **CODING SEQUENCE**

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### **RELATED PRODUCTS**

PRODUCT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION
HTSHEK-6L	ChemiBrite <sup>™</sup> HEK Parental cell line with Gα16 (control cells)

### REFERENCES

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