Figure 11

Assay Block	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
A	Chemical 0ug/mL DMSO 0.2% in B medium 500uL	Chemical 0ug/mL DMSO 0.2% in B medium 500uL	Chemical 2.0ug/mL DMSO 0.2% in B medium 500uL	Chemical 3.9ug/mL DMSO 0.2% in B medium 500uL	Chemical 7.8ug/mL DMSO 0.2% in B medium 500uL	Chemical 15.6ug/mL DMSO 0.2% in B medium 500uL	Chemical 31.3ug/mL DMSO 0.2% in B medium 500uL	Chemical 62.5ug/mL DMSO 0.2% in B medium 500uL	Chemical 125ug/mL DMSO 0.2% in B medium 500uL	Chemical 250ug/mL DMSO 0.2% in B medium 500uL	Chemical 500ug/mL DMSO 0.2% in B medium 500uL	Chemical 1000ug/mL DMSO 0.2% in B medium 500uL
B												
C												
D												
E												
F												
G												
H												

50uL

flat-bottom black	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
A	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL
B	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL
C	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL
D	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL
E	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL
F	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL
G	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL
H	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL

Figure 12 Final constituents of each well of the plate

flat-bottom black	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
A	Chemical 0ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 0ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 1.0ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 2.0ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 3.9ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 7.8ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 16ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 31ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 63ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 125ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 250ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 500ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL
B	Chemical 0ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 0ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 1.0ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 2.0ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 3.9ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 7.8ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 16ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 31ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 63ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 125ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 250ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 500ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL
C	Chemical 0ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 0ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 1.0ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 2.0ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 3.9ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 7.8ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 16ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 31ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 63ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 125ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 250ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 500ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL
D	Chemical 0ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 0ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 1.0ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 2.0ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 3.9ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 7.8ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 16ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 31ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 63ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 125ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 250ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL	Chemical 500ug/mL 0.1% DMSO #2H4 2x10^5 B medium 100uL
E	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL
F	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL
G	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL
H	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL

6. Preparation of the stimulant (PMA/ionomycin) and addition to #2H4

6-1 Material

・1 mM PMA stock
・1 mM Ionomycin stock
・B medium
・Ethanol

6-2 Preparation of 100 μM PMA

Dilute 1mM PMA stock with the B medium as follows (10 times, final concentration is 100 μM).

1 mM PMA	B medium	Total	final concentration
10 μL	90 μL	100 μL	100 μM

6-3 Preparation of control and x10 PMA/ionomycin solution

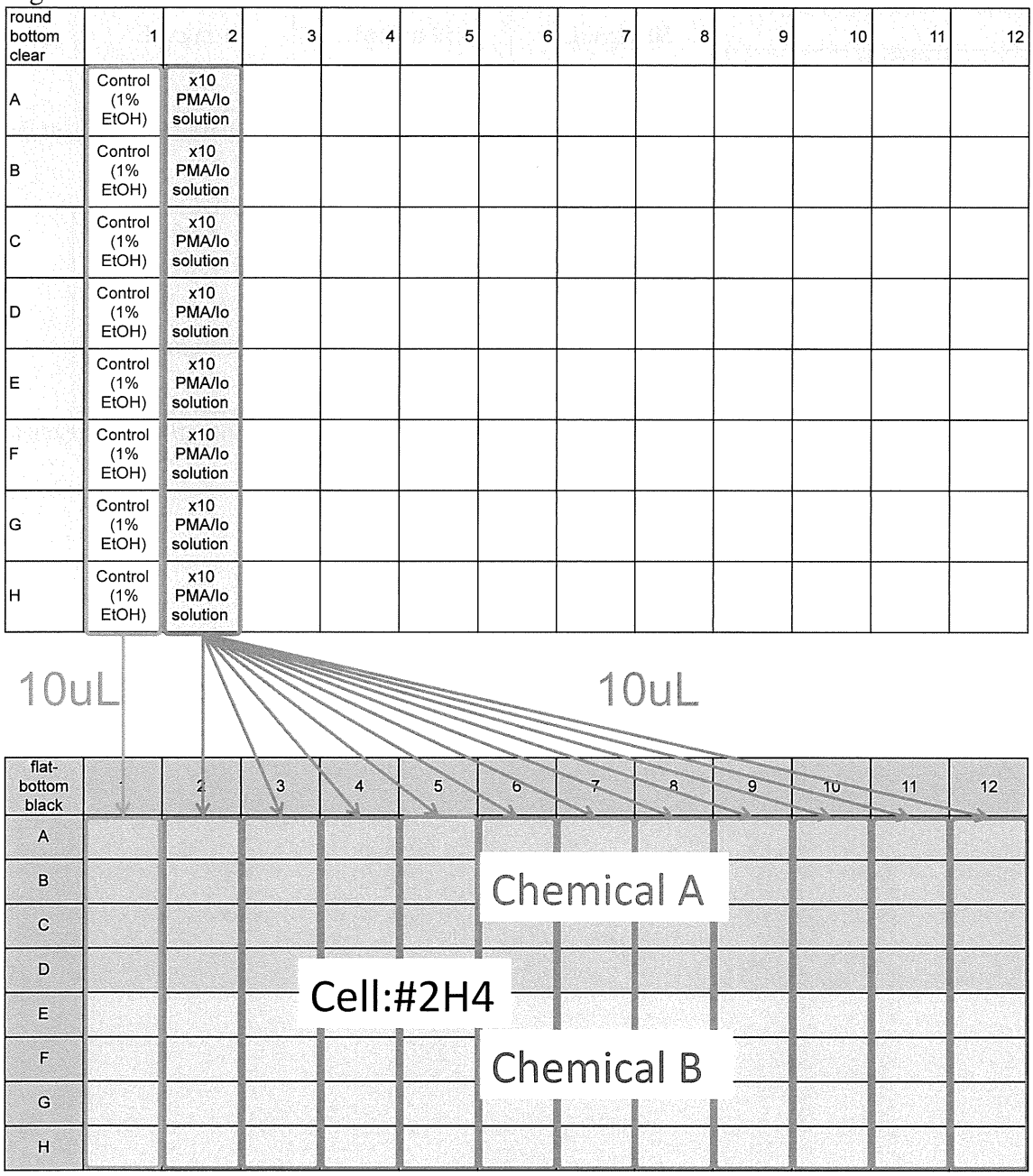
Dilute ethanol, 1mM ionomycin and 100 μM PMA with the B medium to prepare control or x10 PMA/ionomycin solution. Add the control to well #A1-#H1 of the 96 well clear plate (round bottom), and add x10 PMA/ionomycin solution to wells #A2-#H2 of the 96 well clear plate (round bottom).

	B medium	1 mM Ionomycin	100 μM PMA	Ethanol	Total
Control	990 μL	-		10 μL	1000 μL
x10 PMA/ionomycin solution	2370 μL	24 μL	6 μL	-	2400 μL

6-4 Addition of PMA/ionomycin to #2H4

One hour after the addition of chemicals, add 10 μL of control or PMA/ionomycin solution to the cells (#A1-#H1 or #A2-#H12, respectively) using an 8 channel or 12 channel pipetman after pipetting 20 times. Make sure that the apex of the tip is dipped into the medium. Change tips every line you add. Shake the plate with a plateshaker and incubate in a CO_2 incubator for 6 hour (37°C, 5%). (cf. Figure 13)

Figure 13



7. Control

7-1 Preparing control chemical (dexamethasone, cyclosporine A)

7-1-1 Preparing dexamethasone stock

Reagent	Company	Concentration of the stock solution	Preparing concentration	Final concentration
Dexamethasone-water soluble	Sigma #D2915-100MG	50 mg/mL	50 mg/mL	1 mg/mL
Distilled water	GIBCO Cat#10977-015			

Dissolve 100 mg of Dexamethasone-water soluble with distilled water 2000 μL, dispend at 50 μL/tube and store a freezer at -30°C.

7-1-2 Preparing cyclosporine A stock

Reagent	Company	Concentration of the stock solution	Preparing concentration	Final concentration
Cyclosporine A	Sigma #C1832-5MG	12 mg/mL	1 mg/mL	1 μg/mL
DMSO	Sigma #D5789			

Dissolve 5 mg of cyclosporine A with DMSO 416 μL, dispend at 10 μL/tube and store a freezer at -30°C.

7-2 Preparation of cells for assay

A cell passage should be done 2-4 days before the assay.

Use cells between 1 and 6 weeks after thawing.

Pre-warm the B medium in a 37°C water bath. Count the number of cells and collect the number of cells needed (5.0 x 10^6 cells are required, but to have some leeway, 7.5 x 10^6 cells should be prepared), centrifuge the tube at 350 x *g*, 5 min. Resuspend in pre-warmed the B medium at a cell density of 4×10^6/mL. Transfer the cell suspension to a reservoir, and add 50 μL of cell suspension to each well of a 96 well μclear black plate (flat bottom) using an 8 channel or 12 channel pipetman. (cf. Figure 14)

Figure 14

flat-bottom black	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
A	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL							
B	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL							
C	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL							
D	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL							
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7-3　　Arrangement of chemicals and vehicle

Add DMSO 50 μL to #A4、12 mg/mL cyclosporine A stock 10 μl + DMSO 110 μL to #A5, distilled water 50 μl to #B1 and #B2, 50 mg/ml dexamethasone stock 50 μl to #B3 and the B medium 180 μl to #B4 and #B5 of the 96 well clear plate (round bottom). (cf. Figure 15)

7-4　　Dilution with the B medium

Dilute DMSO in #A4 and cyclosporine A DMSO solution in #A5 by adding 20 μL to the B medium in #B4 and #B5, respectively. (cf. Figure 15)

Figure 15

round bottom clear	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
A				DMSO 50uL	CyA 12 mg/mL stock 10uL + DMSO 110uL							
B	Distilled water 50uL	Distilled water 50uL	DEX 50 mg/mL stock 50uL	B medium 180uL	B medium 180uL							
C												
D												
E												
F												
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H												

20uL

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round bottom clear	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
A				DMSO 30uL	CyA 1 mg/mL in DMSO 100uL							
B	Distilled water 50uL	Distilled water 50uL	DEX 50 mg/mL stock 50uL	DMSO 10% in B medium 200uL	CyA 100ug/mL DMSO 10% in B medium 200 uL							
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7-5　　2 step dilution

Add 20 μL of the diluted chemical or vehicle to 480 μL(1-3 lanes) or 980 μL(4-5 lanes) of the B medium prepared in the assay block. And add 50 μL to #2H4 in a 96 well plate using an 8 channel or 12 channel pipetman after pipetting 20 times. Manipulate the procedures from 7-4 to 7-5 as quickly as you can, and do not leave a long time at step after 7-4 or Figure 16. Shake the plate with a plateshaker and incubate in a CO_2 incubator for 1 hour (37°C, 5%). (cf. Figure 16-18)

Figure 16

round bottom clear	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
A				DMSO 30uL	CyA 1 mg/mL in DMSO 100uL							
B	Distilled water 50uL	Distilled water 50uL	DEX 50 mg/mL stock 50uL	DMSO 10% in B medium 200uL	CyA 100ug/mL DMSO 10% in B medium 200 uL							
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20uL

Assay Block	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
A	B medium 480uL	B medium 480uL	B medium 480uL	B medium 980uL	B medium 980uL							
B												
C												
D												
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G												
H												

Figure 17

Assay Block	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
A	B medium 500uL	B medium 500uL	DEX 2mg/mL B medium 500uL	DMSO 0.2% B medium 1000uL	CyA 2ug/mL DMSO 0.2% B medium 1000uL							
B												
C												
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flat-bottom black	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
A	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL							
B	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL							
C	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL							
D	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL	#2H4 2x10^5 B medium 50uL							
E												
F												
G												
H												

Figure 18 Final constituents of each well of the plate

flat-bottom black	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
A	#2H4 2x10^5 cell B medium 100uL	#2H4 2x10^5 cell B medium 100uL	#2H4 2x10^5 cell DEX 1mg/mL B medium 100uL	#2H4 2x10^5 cell DMSO 0.1% B medium 100uL	#2H4 2x10^5 cell CyA 1ug/mL DMSO 0.1% B medium 100uL							
B	#2H4 2x10^5 cell B medium 100uL	#2H4 2x10^5 cell B medium 100uL	#2H4 2x10^5 cell DEX 1mg/mL B medium 100uL	#2H4 2x10^5 cell DMSO 0.1% B medium 100uL	#2H4 2x10^5 cell CyA 1ug/mL DMSO 0.1% B medium 100uL							
C	#2H4 2x10^5 cell B medium 100uL	#2H4 2x10^5 cell B medium 100uL	#2H4 2x10^5 cell DEX 1mg/mL B medium 100uL	#2H4 2x10^5 cell DMSO 0.1% B medium 100uL	#2H4 2x10^5 cell CyA 1ug/mL DMSO 0.1% B medium 100uL							
D	#2H4 2x10^5 cell B medium 100uL	#2H4 2x10^5 cell B medium 100uL	#2H4 2x10^5 cell DEX 1mg/mL B medium 100uL	#2H4 2x10^5 cell DMSO 0.1% B medium 100uL	#2H4 2x10^5 cell CyA 1ug/mL DMSO 0.1% B medium 100uL							
E												
F												
G												
H												

7-6 Addition of PMA/ionomycin to #2H4

One hour after the addition of dexamethasone and cyclosporine A, add 10 μL of control or PMA/ionomycin solution prepared in §6-3 to the cells (#A1-#D1 or #A2-#D5, respectively) using an 8 channel or 12 channel pipetman after pipetting 20 times. Make sure that the apex of the tip is dipped into the medium. Change tips every line you add. Shake the plate with a plateshaker and incubate in a CO_2 incubator for 6 hour (37°C, 5%). (cf. Figure 19)

Figure 19

round bottom clear	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
A	Control (1% EtOH)	x10 PMA/Io solution										
B	Control (1% EtOH)	x10 PMA/Io solution										
C	Control (1% EtOH)	x10 PMA/Io solution										
D	Control (1% EtOH)	x10 PMA/Io solution										
E	Control (1% EtOH)	x10 PMA/Io solution										
F	Control (1% EtOH)	x10 PMA/Io solution										
G	Control (1% EtOH)	x10 PMA/Io solution										
H	Control (1% EtOH)	x10 PMA/Io solution										

10uL 10uL

flat-bottom black	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
A	#2H4 2x10^5 cell B medium 100uL	#2H4 2x10^5 cell B medium 100uL	#2H4 2x10^5 cell DEX 1mg/mL B medium 100uL	#2H4 2x10^5 cell DMSO 0.1% B medium 100uL	#2H4 2x10^5 cell CyA 1ug/mL DMSO 0.1% B medium 100uL							
B	#2H4 2x10^5 cell B medium 100uL	#2H4 2x10^5 cell B medium 100uL	#2H4 2x10^5 cell DEX 1mg/mL B medium 100uL	#2H4 2x10^5 cell DMSO 0.1% B medium 100uL	#2H4 2x10^5 cell CyA 1ug/mL DMSO 0.1% B medium 100uL							
C	#2H4 2x10^5 cell B medium 100uL	#2H4 2x10^5 cell B medium 100uL	#2H4 2x10^5 cell DEX 1mg/mL B medium 100uL	#2H4 2x10^5 cell DMSO 0.1% B medium 100uL	#2H4 2x10^5 cell CyA 1ug/mL DMSO 0.1% B medium 100uL							
D	#2H4 2x10^5 cell B medium 100uL	#2H4 2x10^5 cell B medium 100uL	#2H4 2x10^5 cell DEX 1mg/mL B medium 100uL	#2H4 2x10^5 cell DMSO 0.1% B medium 100uL	#2H4 2x10^5 cell CyA 1ug/mL DMSO 0.1% B medium 100uL							
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8. Calculation of the transmittance factors

Color discrimination in multi-color reporter assays is generally achieved using detectors (luminometer and plate reader) equipped with optical filters, such as sharp-cut (long-pass) filters and band-pass filters. The transmittance factors of these filters for each bio-luminescence signal color must be calibrated prior to all experiments by following the protocols below.

8-1 Reagents

- Single reference samples:

Lyophilized luciferase enzyme reagent for stable luciferase green (SLG)
Lyophilized luciferase enzyme reagent for stable luciferase orange (SLO)
Lyophilized luciferase enzyme reagent for stable luciferase red (SLR)

- Assay reagent:

Tripluc® Luciferase assay reagent (TOYOBO Cat#MRA-301)

- B medium: for luciferase assay (30 mL, stored at 2- 8°C)

Reagent	Company	Conc.	Final conc. in medium	Required amount
RPMI-1640	GIBCO #11875-093	-	-	27 mL
FBS	Biological Industries Cat#04-001-1E Lot: 715004	-	10 %	3 mL

8-2 Preparation of luminescence reaction solution

Thaw Tripluc® Luciferase assay reagent (Tripluc) and keep it at room temperature either in a water bath or at ambient air temperature. Power on the luminometer 30 min before starting the measurement to allow the photomultiplier to stabilize.

Add 200 μL of 100 mM Tris-HCl (pH8.0) contains 10 % glycerol to each tube of lyophilized reference sample to dissolve the enzymes, divide into 10 μL aliquots in 1.5 mL disposable tubes and store in a freezer at -80°C. The stored frozen solution of the reference samples can be used for up to 6 months.

Add 1 mL of the B medium to each tube of frozen reference sample (10 μL sample per tube). Keep the reference samples on ice to prevent deactivation.

8-3 Bioluminescence measurement

Transfer 100 μL of the diluted reference samples to a black 96 well plate (flat bottom) as shown below.

Figure 20

flat-bottom black	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
A												
B	SLG 100 μL	SLG 100 μL	SLG 100 μL									
C												
D	SLO 100 μL	SLO 100 μL	SLO 100 μL									
E												
F	SLR 100 μL	SLR 100 μL	SLR 100 μL									
G												
H												

Transfer 100 μL of pre-warmed Tripluc to each well of the plate containing the reference sample using a pipetman. Shake the plate for 10 min at room temperature (about 25°C) using a plate shaker. Remove bubbles in the solutions in wells if they appear. Place the plate in the luminometer to measure the luciferase activity. Bioluminescence is measured for 3 sec each in the absence (F0) and presence (F1, F2) of the optical filters. An example of the raw output data is shown below.

Figure 22

Measurement without Filter

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
A												
B	3757015	3716611	3810382									
C												
D	1202691	1210208	1122295									
E												
F	2465453	2207572	2077689									
G												
H												

Measurement with Filter 1

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
A												
B	1269950	1257268	1289562									
C												
D	808550	813160	754174									
E												
F	2193723	1968240	1853873									
G												
H												

Measurement with Filter 2

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
A												
B	236478	234079	240876									
C												
D	235121	235878	217432									
E												
F	1585258	1420099	1339265									
G												
H												

Six transmittance factors of the optical filters were calculated as follow:

$$\text{Transmittance factor } (\kappa G_{R56}) = \frac{\#B1 \text{ of } F1 + \#B2 \text{ of } F1 + \#B3 \text{ of } F1}{\#B1 \text{ of } F0 + \#B2 \text{ of } F0 + \#B3 \text{ of } F0}$$

$$\text{Transmittance factor } (\kappa O_{R56}) = \frac{\#D1 \text{ of } F1 + \#D2 \text{ of } F1 + \#D3 \text{ of } F1}{\#D1 \text{ of } F0 + \#D2 \text{ of } F0 + \#D3 \text{ of } F0}$$

$$\text{Transmittance factor } (\kappa R_{R56}) = \frac{\#F1 \text{ of } F1 + \#F2 \text{ of } F1 + \#F3 \text{ of } F1}{\#F1 \text{ of } F0 + \#F2 \text{ of } F0 + \#F3 \text{ of } F0}$$

$$\text{Transmittance factor } (\kappa G_{R60}) = \frac{\#B1 \text{ of } F2 + \#B2 \text{ of } F2 + \#B3 \text{ of } F2}{\#B1 \text{ of } F0 + \#B2 \text{ of } F0 + \#B3 \text{ of } F0}$$

$$\text{Transmittance factor } (\kappa O_{R60}) = \frac{\#D1 \text{ of } F2 + \#D2 \text{ of } F2 + \#D3 \text{ of } F2}{\#D1 \text{ of } F0 + \#D2 \text{ of } F0 + \#D3 \text{ of } F0}$$

$$\text{Transmittance factor } (\kappa R_{R60}) = \frac{\#F1 \text{ of } F2 + \#F2 \text{ of } F2 + \#F3 \text{ of } F2}{\#F1 \text{ of } F0 + \#F2 \text{ of } F0 + \#F3 \text{ of } F0}$$

In the case shown above,

$$\text{Transmittance factors } (\kappa G_{R56}) = \frac{1269550+1257268+1289562}{3757015+3716611+3810382} = 0.338$$

$$\text{Transmittance factors } (\kappa O_{R56}) = \frac{808550+813160+754174}{1202691+1210208+1122295} = 0.672$$

$$\text{Transmittance factors } (\kappa R_{R56}) = \frac{2193723+1968240+1853873}{2465453+2207572+2077689} = 0.891$$

$$\text{Transmittance factors } (\kappa G_{R60}) = \frac{236478+234079+240876}{3757015+3716611+3810382} = 0.06$$

$$\text{Transmittance factors } (\kappa O_{R60}) = \frac{235121+235878+217432}{1202691+1210208+1122295} = 0.195$$

$$\text{Transmittance factors } (\kappa R_{R60}) = \frac{1585258+1420099+1339265}{2465453+2207572+2077689} = 0.644$$

Calculated transmittance factors are used for all the measurements executed using the same 添付

luminometer.
Input the transmittance factors to #C6-#E7 of the “Data Input” sheet of the Data sheet as follow.

Figure 23

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	MultiReporter Assay System -Tripluc®- Calculation Sheet					
2						
3		Transmittance Data				
4			SLG	SLO	SLR	
5		F0	1	1	1	
6		F1	κG_{R56}	κO_{R56}	κR_{R56}	
7		F2	κG_{R60}	κO_{R60}	κR_{R60}	
8						

9. Measurement

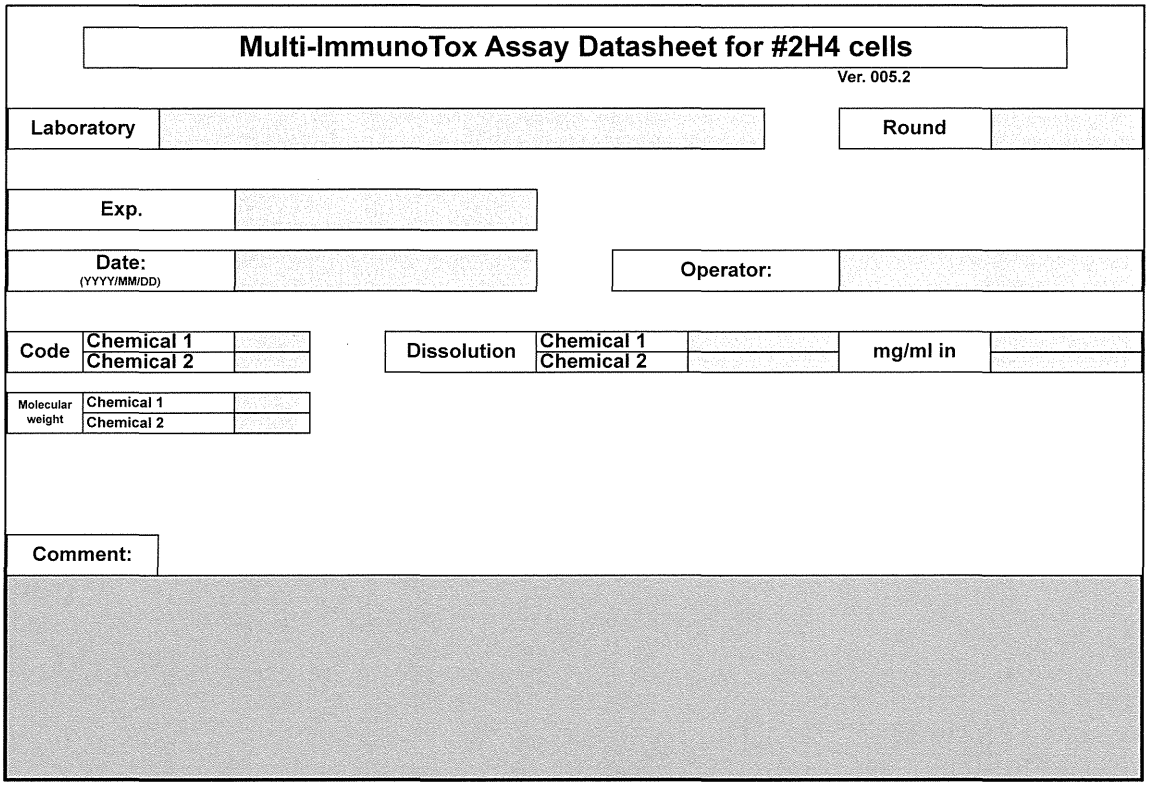
Please reffer Appendix 1 for the principal of measurement of luciferase activity.

Thaw Tripluc® Luciferase assay reagent (Tripluc) and keep it at room temperature either in a water bath or at ambient air temperature. Power on the luminometer 30 min before starting the measurement to allow the photomultiplier to stabilize.

Transfer 100 μL of pre-warmed Tripluc from the reservoir to each well of the plate containing the reference sample using an 8 channel or 12 channel pipetman. Shake the plate for 10 min at room temperature (about 25°C) on a plate shaker. Remove bubbles in the solutions in the wells if they appear. Place the plate in the luminometer to measure the luciferase activity. Bioluminescence is measured for 3 sec each in the absence of (F0) and presence (F1, F2) of the optical filters.

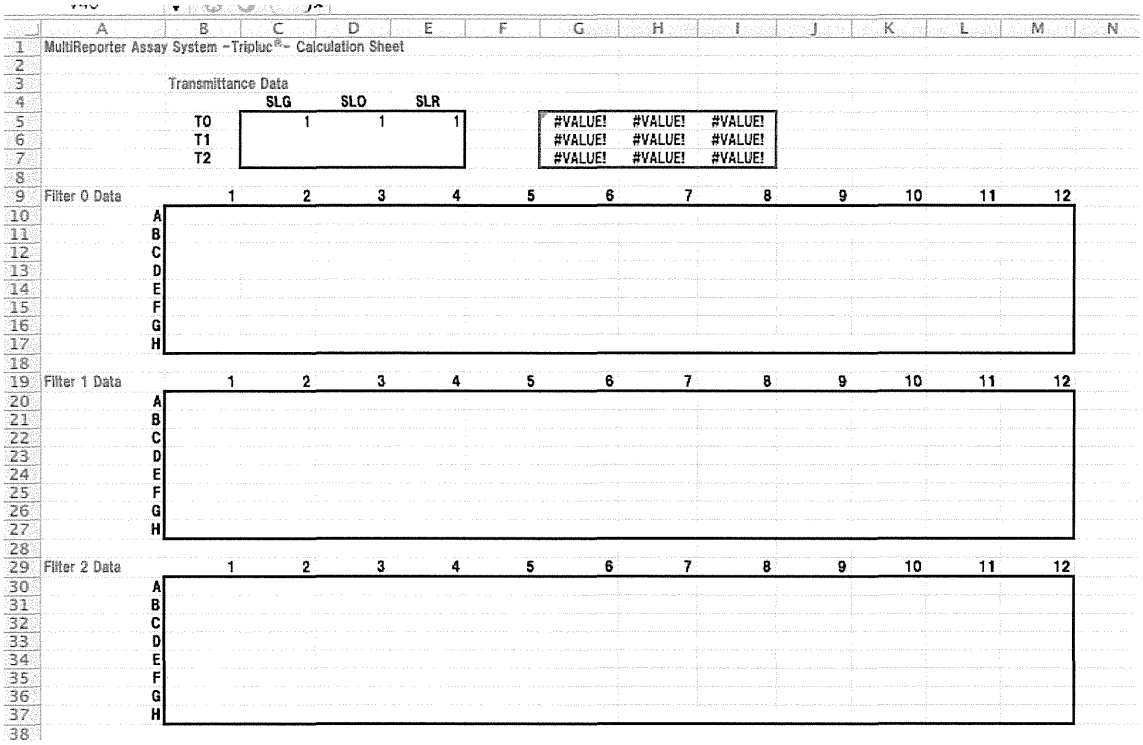
1st. Add the information regarding the name of laboratory, the round of experiments if multiple experimental sets are performed, the experiment number, date, the operator, chemical codes, dissolved in distilled water or DMSO, the prepared concentration, molecular weight of the chemicals and comments if any to Face Sheet of the data sheet.

Figure 24 "Face Sheet" of the data sheet



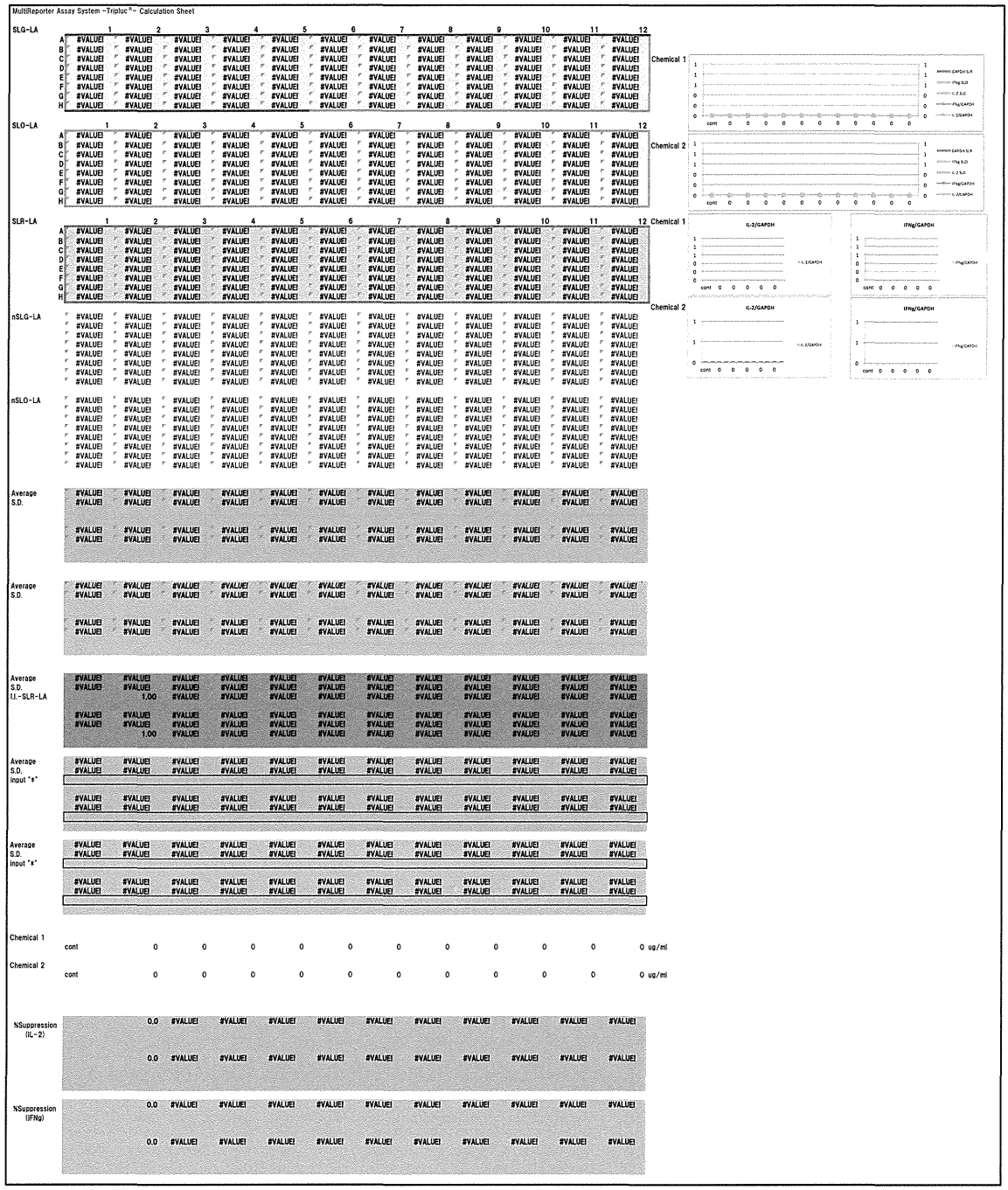
2nd. Copy the results of the F0, F1 and F2 measurements (values are expressed as counts) and paste them into the appropriate area in the "Data Input" sheet of the data sheet shown below. In addition, input the transmittance factors calculated in "§5. Calculation of the transmittance factors" to #C6-#E7 of the "Data Input" sheet.

Figure 25 “Data Input” sheet of the data sheet



Next, the calculated results for the parameters of the Multi-Immuno Tox assay for each concentration, e.g., SLG-LA, SLO-LA, SLR-LA, nSLG-LA, nSLO-LA, the mean ± SD of SLG-LA, the mean ± SD of SLO-LA, the mean ± SD of SLR-LA %suppression and graphs will automatically appear on the “Result Format” sheet of the data sheet.

Figure 26 “Result Format” sheet of the data sheet



10. Data analysis

Definition of the parameters used in the Multi-Immuno Tox assay

- SLG-luciferase activity (SLG-LA): Luciferase activity of stable luciferase green (Under the control of IL-2 promoter)
- SLO-luciferase activity (SLO-LA): Luciferase activity of stable luciferase orange (Under the control of IFN-g promoter)
- SLR-luciferase activity (SLR-LA): Luciferase activity of stable luciferase red (Under the control of G3PDH promoter)
- Normalized SLG-LA (nSLG-LA): =(SLG-LA)/(SLR-LA)
- Normalized SLO-LA (nSLO-LA): =(SLO-LA)/(SLR-LA)
- Inhibition index of SLR-LA (I.I.-SLR-LA): The cytotoxic effect of chemicals
  =(SLR-LA of #2H4 treated with chemicals)/(SLR-LA of untreated #2H4)
- % suppression: The effect of chemicals on IL-2 or IFN-γ promoter
  =(1-(nSLG-LA or nSLO-LA of #2H4 treated with chemicals)
  /(nSLG-LA or nSLO-LA of non-treated #2H4)) x 100

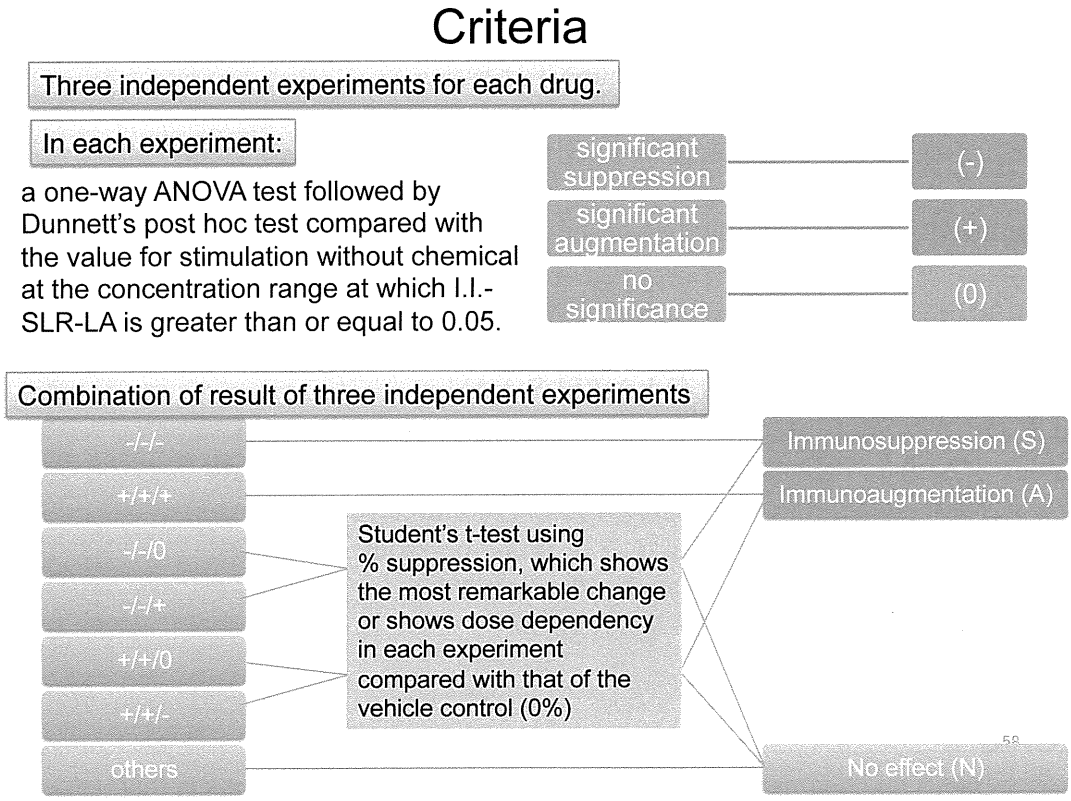
11. Criteria

Conduct three independent experiments for each chemical.

Determined in each experiment whether the chemicals induce statistically significant suppression or augmentation or no significant effects by a one-way ANOVA test followed by Dunnett's post hoc test at the concentration at which I.I.-SLR-LA is greater than or equal to 0.05.

If chemicals showed statistically significant immunosuppression or immunostimulation in three experiments, they were judged as immunosuppressive or immunostimulatory chemicals, respectively. If chemicals showed statistically significant immunosuppression or immunostimulation in only two independent experiments, they were judged as potential immunosuppressive or immunostimulatory drugs, respectively. If not, they were judged as "no effect". Then, for potential immunosuppressive or immunostimulatory chemicals, we selected their percent suppression or percent augmentation (negative percent suppression) in three experiments that showed the most remarkable change and that showed dose dependency and statistically compared suppression or augmentation of chemicals with that of vehicle control in three independent experiments by the Student's t-test. Only when chemicals demonstrated statistical significance, they were judged as immunosuppressive or immunostimulatory, respectively.

Figure 27


Criteria
Three independent experiments for each drug.
In each experiment:
a one-way ANOVA test followed by Dunnett's post hoc test compared with the value for stimulation without chemical at the concentration range at which I.I.-SLR-LA is greater than or equal to 0.05.
significant suppression
(-)
significant augmentation
(+)
no significance
(0)
Combination of result of three independent experiments
-/-/-
+/+/+
-/-/0
-/-/+
+/+/0
+/+/-
others
Student's t-test using % suppression, which shows the most remarkable change or shows dose dependency in each experiment compared with that of the vehicle control (0%)
Immunosuppression (S)
Immunoaugmentation (A)
No effect (N)

11. Update record

Ver. 008.1J 2016.2.2 distribution
Changes after the VMT meeting

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Translation to English
Addition of appendix

Ver. 006.0J 2015.8.17
Change the preparation of chemicals (same method to the IL-8 Luc assay)
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Change to use SLR-LA of THP-G8 at the calculation of nSLG-LA of TGCHAC-A4

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Change the cellar concentration at cell passage
Modify figure 16, 17

Ver. 004.0J 2014.11.17 distribution
For the validation study at AIST, FDSC and Tohoku university (chemicals: Sodium Bromate ($NaBrO_3$), Nickel (II) sulfate ($NiSO_4$), Dibutyl phthalate (DP), 2-Mercaptobenzothiazole (2-MBT))
Change THP-G1b cells to TGCHAC-A4 cells
Change cell number of THP-G8 and TGCHAC-A4 5x10^4/well to 1x10^5/well
Change concentration of chemicals 11 steps to 10 steps
Change final concentration of LPS (THP-G8 : 25 ng/mL, TGCHAC-A4 : 1 ng/mL)
Change the way of addition of LPS (2 mL/well to 10 mL/well)
Change the criteria

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For the validation study at AIST and FDSC (chemicals: $CoCl_2$, $NiSO_4$, Isophorone diisocyanate, 2-Mercaptobenzothiazole)
Change the common ratio 3 to 2
Change the concentration of LPS 100 ng/mL to 25 ng/mL
Add description about the control (dexamethasone)
Delete the appendix about THP-G8 cell

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Add the appendix about THP-G8 cell

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Appendix 1 Principal of measurement of luciferase activity

MultiReporter Assay System -Tripluc- can be used with a microplate-type luminometer with a multi-color detection system, which can equip two optical filters (e.g. Phelios AB-2350 (ATTO), ARVO (PerkinElmer), Tristar LB941 (Berthold)). The optical filters used in measurement are a 560 nm long-pass filter and a 600 nm long-pass filter.

(1) Measurement of three-color luciferase with two optical filters.
This is an example using Phelios AB-2350 (ATTO). This luminometer equips a 560 nm long-pass filter (560 nm LP, Filter 1) and a 600 nm long pass filter (600 nm LP, Filter 2) for optical isolation.

First, using luciferase enzyme reagent of SLG (λmax = 550 nm), SLO (λmax = 580 nm) and SLR (λmax = 630 nm), measure i) the intensity of light without filter (all optical), ii) the intensity of 560 nm LP (Filter 1) transmitted light iii) the intensity of 600 nm LP (Filter 2) transmitted light, and calculate the coefficient factor listed below.

Coefficient factor		Abbreviation	Definition
SLG	Filter 1 transmittance factor	κG_{R56}	The intensity of 560 nm LP (Filter 1) transmitted SLG / the intensity of SLG without filter (all optical)
	Filter 2 transmittance factor	κG_{R60}	The intensity of 600 nm LP (Filter 2) transmitted SLG / the intensity of SLG without filter (all optical)
SLO	Filter 1 transmittance factor	κO_{R56}	The intensity of 560 nm LP (Filter 1) transmitted SLO / the intensity of SLO without filter (all optical)
	Filter 2 transmittance factor	κO_{R60}	The intensity of 600 nm LP (Filter 2) transmitted SLO / the intensity of SLO without filter (all optical)
SLR	Filter 1 transmittance factor	κR_{R56}	The intensity of 560 nm LP (Filter 1) transmitted SLR / the intensity of SLR without filter (all optical)
	Filter 2 transmittance factor	κR_{R60}	The intensity of 600 nm LP (Filter 2) transmitted SLR / the intensity of SLR without filter (all optical)

When the intensity of SLG, SLO and SLR in test sample are defined as G, O and R, respectively, i) the intensity of light without filter (all optical): F0, ii) the intensity of 560 nm LP (Filter 1) transmitted light and iii) the intensity of 600 nm LP (Filter 2) transmitted light are described as below.

$$F0=G+O+R$$
$$F1=\kappa G_{R56} \times G + \kappa O_{R56} \times O + \kappa R_{R56} \times R$$
$$F2=\kappa G_{R60} \times G + \kappa O_{R60} \times O + \kappa R_{R60} \times R$$

These formulas can be rephrased as follows

$$\begin{pmatrix} F0 \\ F1 \\ F2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \kappa G_{R56} & \kappa O_{R56} & \kappa R_{R56} \\ \kappa G_{R60} & \kappa O_{R60} & \kappa R_{R60} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} G \\ O \\ R \end{pmatrix}$$