

## NanoLuc<sup>®</sup>-ULK2 Fusion TE Assay

NanoBRET<sup>™</sup> Tracer: K-5 (1) **Materials Needed** Cat. # 100X [Tracer]: 200µM in DMSO NanoLuc®-ULK2 Fusion • NV2221 Final [Tracer]: Vector 2μM ● NanoBRET<sup>™</sup> TE Intracellular **Assay Category:** Medium Window (2) • N2500, N2501, Z': 0.58 Kinase Assay, K-5 or N2530 (1) BRET Min Nluc Nluc NanoLuc® luciferase Target protein Fluorescent tracer Test compound NanoLuc-ULK2 Tracer Affinity NanoLuc-ULK2 Compound Affinity 100 15 [Tracer] Tracer Only BRET Ratio (mBu) 📥 2μΜ 80 Tracer + excess **BRET Ratio (mBu)** 🖵 1μM unlabeled 60 -₩ 0.5µM 10· 40 ↔ 0.25µM  $EC_{50} > 1 \mu M$ 20 0 5 10-4 10<sup>2</sup> 10<sup>-2</sup> 100 [Test Compound], µM 10<sup>-2</sup> 10-1 10<sup>0</sup> 10<sup>-3</sup> 2<sub>μ</sub>M 1μM 0.5<sub>µ</sub>M 0.25<sub>µ</sub>M [NanoBRET<sup>™</sup> Tracer K-5], µM IC50 0.093 0.091 0.091 0.075

Representative data of NanoBRET<sup>™</sup> Tracer K-5 competition in HEK293 cells transiently expressing NanoLuc®-ULK2 Top Panel: Overview of the NanoBRET<sup>™</sup> TE Assay. Bottom Panels: HEK293 cells were first transfected with NanoLuc®-ULK2 Fusion Vector and then were subsequently resuspended in OptiMEM prior to seeding into 96-well plates: Bottom Left Panel: Tracer affinity was measured by treating the cells with increasing concentrations of tracer in the presence or absence of a molar excess of unlabeled compound. Bottom Right Panel: The affinity of the unlabeled compound was measured at multiple fixed concentrations of the tracer, where the IC<sub>50</sub> at the recommended tracer concentration is depicted in orange (3).





## Notes:

- NanoBRET<sup>™</sup> Tracer K-5 is supplied within the NanoBRET<sup>™</sup> TE Intracellular Kinase Assay, K-5 products (N2500, N2501, or N2530). Additional assay components are supplied within these kits, including the NanoBRET<sup>™</sup> Nano-Glo<sup>®</sup> substrate, Extracellular NanoLuc<sup>®</sup> Inhibitor, tracer dilution buffer, and transfection carrier DNA. Additionally, BTK-NanoLuc<sup>®</sup> control vector is provided in products NV2500 and NV2501. For full details, please see the Promega website or technical manual for these products.
- 2) Assay category is defined by the assay window at the recommended tracer concentration. It is detailed in table 2 within the NanoBRET<sup>™</sup> TE Intracellular Kinase Assay, K-5 technical manual.
- 3) See section 5 of **NanoBRET<sup>™</sup> TE Intracellular Kinase Assay, K-5** technical manual regarding approaches to improve quantitative analysis of test compound affinity.
- 4) NanoBRET<sup>™</sup> TE Intracellular Assays have also been applied to Residence Time analysis. For a kinase example, please refer to Forster, M. *et al.* For an HDAC example please refer to Robers, M.B. *et al.*

## References:

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Forster, M. *et al.* (2016) Selective JAK3 inhibitors with a covalent reversible binding mode targeting a new induced fit binding pocket. *Cell Chem. Biol.* **23**, 1335.

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Further information can be found in Technical Manual #TM520, available at: www.promega.com/protocols