

## In Plate Transfection of hEK293 Cells by Lipofectamine 2000 (384-well format) for 3 replicate plates of arthropod and human receptors

### Supplies:

Lipofectamine 2000 – Invitrogen #11668-019

Opti-MEM – Invitrogen #51985-034

FluoroBrite DMEM Media – Invitrogen #A1896701

Greiner black 384 well plate - #781091

Greiner transparent 384 well plate - #784201

pGP\_CMV\_GCaMP6s\_(Kan) - Addgene #277314.1040753

pME18s\_Gα15\_(Amp)

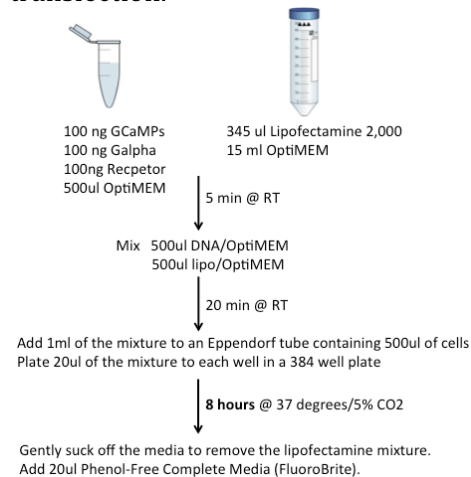
pME18s\_NPYLR7\_(Amp)

### Day 1: Seeding cells

Seed cells for transfection in 75cm<sup>2</sup> flask. Aim for cells to be  $\geq 80\%$  confluent on day 2.

### Day 2: Transfection

The 384 well plate will have single transfection with GCaMP6s, Gα15 in every well and receptors in relevant wells. Ensure that cells are  $\geq 80\%$  confluent in flask before transfection.



You can check on transfection efficiency by looking for GFP+ cells in the dish after several hours.

Keep transfected cells in the TC incubator overnight in phenol-free media so that they adhere well to the bottom of the 384 well plate. Want to end up plating ~5,000 cells/well (1x10<sup>6</sup> cells/ml has worked well although we can go up to 2x10<sup>6</sup> cells/ml comfortably).

### Day 2: Reading

Check the cells in the transmitted light microscope @ HTSRC to ensure that they are healthy and adherent.

Prepare the compound plate (Greiner #784201) we need to fill column 23 with vehicle (Reading Buffer) and column 24 with our positive control (FMRFa3).

Need 15ul/well, 3x concentrated (the Hamamatsu will dispense 10ul of the compound/well which will contain 20ul of media).

### Plate set up

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