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## Measuring mitophagy via FACS with mtKeima reporter

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### ABSTRACT

Preparation of samples for measuring mitophagy levels using mtKeima reporter by FACS

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



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## Day 1

- 1 Seed cells in a 24 well plate, aiming for a confluency of ~80-90% at the time of treatment. Seed additional wells of cells not expressing any fluorescent proteins, cells expressing only mtKeima, and cells expressing only YFP-Parkin (to be used as gating controls).

## Day 2

2h 3m

- 2 Feed all cells with standard growth media for  01:00:00 prior to treatment 1h
- 3 Replace media in each well with media containing the drug you are treating with.  
NOTE: Do not change the media or treat the additional wells of cells to be used for gating control.
- 4  01:00:00 prior to harvesting, feed the untreated wells with  0.5 mL of fresh growth media. 1h
- 5 At the conclusion of the treatment timepoint, harvest the cells using the following procedure:
  - 5.1 Aspirate media from all wells
  - 5.2 Wash all wells once with  500  $\mu$ L of room temperature PBS
  - 5.3 Add  150  $\mu$ L of trypsin to each well, and incubate cells at 37 deg C for  00:01:30 1m 30s

- 5.4** Place plates onto ice, and harvest each sample into a separate microfuge tube on ice by resuspending each sample with  500  $\mu$ L of ice cold standard growth media
- 6** Centrifuge all samples at 1000x rcf for  00:01:30 at 4 deg C 1m 30s
- 7** Carefully aspirate the supernatant from all samples
- 8** Resuspend each sample in  50  $\mu$ L of FACS media and place into FACS analysis tubes. Keep samples on ice until immediately prior to analysis.