

## Measurement of Cytochrome P450 Enzyme Induction and Inhibition in human cells

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**Country** Belgium

**Geographical Area** Brussels Region

## SCOPE OF THE METHOD

<b>The Method relates to</b>	Human health
<b>The Method is situated in</b>	Basic Research
<b>Type of method</b>	In vitro - Ex vivo
<b>Specify the type of cells/tissues/organs</b>	parenchymal liver cells, stem cell-derived hepatocyte-like cells

## DESCRIPTION

### Method keywords

in vitro  
hepatic cell line  
luminescence  
liver enzyme  
viability test

### Scientific area keywords

Toxicology  
Drug metabolism  
drug screening  
in vitro cell culture

### Method description

By the use of monolayer cultures as an *in vitro* system, the effects of drugs on CYP3A activity can be evaluated. It relies on the use of a luminogenic CYP3A substrate, namely luciferin-6?-pentafluorobenzylether (luciferin- PFBE). Upon biotransformation by CYP3A,

luciferin-PFBE is converted into luciferin, which generates light when combined with a luciferin detection reagent. The normalization of the data relies on the cell number and cell viability and is evaluated by another bioluminescence reaction in which the levels of adenosine- 5'-triphosphate (ATP), the basic energy source of living cells, is measured.

### **Lab equipment**

Biosafety cabinet;  
Luminescence plate reader;  
White opaque;  
96-well plates.

### **Method status**

History of use

## **PROS, CONS & FUTURE POTENTIAL**

### **Advantages**

Quick and easy to use.

## **REFERENCES, ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS AND OTHER INFORMATION**

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