# Amplite<sup>TM</sup> Renilla Luciferase Reporter Gene Assay Kit \*Bright Glow\*

Ordering Information	Storage Conditions	Instrument Platform	
Product Numbers: 12535 (1 plate)	Keep in freezer	Luminescence microplate readers	
12536 (10 plates); 12537 (100 plates)	Avoid light		

#### **Introduction**

Common reporter genes include beta-galactosidase, beta-glucuronidase and luciferase. The most versatile reporter gene is the firefly luciferase. Recently there is steadily increasing use of other luciferases, such as Renilla luciferase since these reporters are smaller and do not require the presence of ATP. Our Amplite<sup>™</sup> Renilla Luciferase Reporter Gene Assay Kit is designed to provide a fast and sensitive method to detect the luciferase from sea pansy (Renilla reniformis). It uses a proprietary luminogenic formulation to quantify Renilla luciferase activity in cell-based assays. Our formulation generates a luminescent product that gives strong luminescence upon interaction with Renilla luciferase. The kit provides all the essential components. It has high sensitivity and can be performed in a convenient 96-well and 384-well microtiter-plate format. The "glow-type" signal with a half-life of one hour provides a consistent signal across large number of assay plates. The assay is compatible with standard cell growth media. This kit enables the measurement of primary expression or gene expression with wild type and the synthetic hRluc genes.

# Coelenterazine + $O_2 \rightarrow$ Coelenteramide + $CO_2$ + Light (~ 480 nm)

## Kit Components

Components	12535 (1 plate)	12536 (10 plates)	12537 (100 plates)
Component A: 100X Luciferase Substrate (Light-Sensitive)	1 vial (100 µL)	1 vial (1 mL)	10 x 1 mL/vial
Component B: Assay Buffer	1 bottle (10 mL)	1 bottle (100 mL)	10 x100 mL/bottle

## Assay Protocol for One 96-well Plate

## **Brief Summary**

Prepare cell plates → Treat cells as needed → Remove medium from cell plates → Add 100µL/well/96-well plate or 25 µL/well/384-well plate of Renilla luciferase assay solution → Incubate at room temperature for 5-10 minutes → Monitor luminescence intensity

#### 1. Prepare cells (or samples):

- 1.1 For adherent cells: Plate cells overnight in growth medium at 1,000 -10,000 cells/90 μL/well (96-well plate) or 250-2,000cells/20 μL/well (384-well plate).
- 1.2 For non-adherent cells: Centrifuge the cells from the culture medium and then suspend the cell pellets in culture medium at 20,000-200,000 cells/90 μL/well for a 96-well poly-D lysine plate or 5000-50,000 cells/20 μL/well for a 384-well poly-D lysine plate. Centrifuge the plates at 800 rpm for 2 minutes with brake off prior to the experiment. Note 1: Each cell line should be evaluated on an individual basis to determine the optimal cell density. Cells may be seeded the day before or on the day of the experiment depending upon the cell type and/or the effect of the test compounds. Note 2: For all luminescent experiments, it is recommended to use white plates to get the best results. Note 3: It is highly recommend use phenol red free growth medium especially DMEM and MEM which is known to absorb the light emitted from luciferases and hence quench the signal observed.

**2. Prepare Renilla luciferase assay solution:** Add one volume of 100X Luciferase substrate (Component A) to 100 volumes of Assay Buffer (Component B).

Note: The reconstituted Renilla luciferase assay solution is very sensitive to light, should be kept from light. In addition, it is not stable, should be prepared fresh, kept on ice and used within 2 hours.

#### 3. Run Renilla luciferase assay:

- 3.1 Treat cells (or samples) with test compounds by adding 10 µL of 10X test compounds (96-well plate) or 5 µL of 5X test compounds (384-well plate) in desired compound buffer.
- 3.2 Incubate the cell plates in a 37 °C, 5% CO<sub>2</sub> incubator for desired period of time, typically 4 hours to overnight.
- 3.3 Remove the medium completely.
- 3.4 Add 100 μL (96-well plate) or 25 μL (384-well plate) per well of Renilla luciferase assay solution (from Step 2) and incubate the plate at room temperature for 5-10 minutes. Keep it from light.
- 3.5 Monitor luminescence intensity with a luminometer.

#### Data Analysis

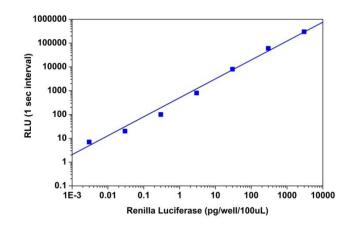


Figure 1. Renilla Luciferase was measured with Amplite<sup>™</sup> Renilla Luciferase Reporter Gene Assay Kit in a white 96-well plate with a NOVOstar plate reader (BMG Labtech).

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