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### Bioluminescent Bioassays: From Reporter Cell Lines to Primary Cells

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### Cell-based Functional Assays Used during Product Life Cycle for Biologic Immunotherapy



- Many reporter bioassays have been developed and used as potency bioassays for lot release and stability study.
- There are still challenges to develop primary cell-based assays due to the variation from donors and poor assay sensitivities.

### Expand Reporter Bioassays to Primary Cells-based Assays





- The lysis of HiBiT target cells releases HiBiT fusion protein into the medium, which binds to cell-impermeable LgBiT in the detection reagent and forms functional NanoBiT<sup>™</sup> luciferase and emits lights.
- Simple, homogenous, no medium transfer required

HiBiT Target Cells can Work with Different Primary Effector Cells in Target Cell Killing Assays



Using HiBiT Target Cells in ADCC and TDCC Assays



Ramos/HiBiT target cells

# NanoBiT Immunoassays for Measuring Cytokine Release

Recombinant NanoBiT<sup>®</sup> luciferase subunits (SmBiT and LgBiT)



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NanoBiT<sup>®</sup>-labeled primary antibodies (mAb1-SmBiT and mAb2-LgBiT)



- Extremely low-affinity interaction
- Negligible association in solution
- Very low assay background

Analyte facilitated colocalization of mAb1-SmBiT and mAb2-LgBiT → NanoBiT<sup>®</sup> luciferase reconstitution



- Luminescent signal proportional to analyte levels
- Homogeneous assay format

## Measure IFN- $\gamma$ and IL-2 Production from CD8+ T Cells Activated by Bispecific Antibody



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### Summary



#### Newly developed primary cell-based assays offer

- High-quality primary effectors cells
  - produced with controlled manufacturing procedures
  - QC tested in functional assays
  - Developed in Thaw-and-Use format without the need of cell culture
- Convenient and sensitive assay read-out
  - HiBiT-based target cell killing assays use HiBiT complementation technology and can measure target cell-specific killing in mixed culture with different effector cells.
  - NanoBiT Immunoassay shows linear correlation between assay signal and cytokine levels and can be used for homogenous detection of cytokine production.