

Table 1. Protocol for the p53RE qHTS Assay

Step parameter	Value	Description
Plate cells ^a	5 μ L	4,000 p53RE-bla HCT-116 cells/well
Incubation time ^b	6 hr at 37°C	Cells adhere and acclimate
Tox21 compound library addition ^c	23 nL	92 μ M to 0.59 nM titration series
Positive/vehicle control compound addition ^d	23 nL	Mitomycin C, 2 columns: 0.7 nM–23 μ M; 11.5 μ M Nutlin-3, 2 columns: 1.4 nM– 46 μ M; 23 μ M Tetraoctylammonium bromide, partial column: 92 μ M (cytotoxicity positive control) DMSO: 1 column
Incubation ^b	16 hr at 37°C	Induce p53 reporter
Reagent ^e	1 μ L	Beta lactamase detection mix
Incubation	2 hr, room temp.	Cells load and cleave substrate
Assay readout ^f	Ex = 405/8 nm	EnVision™ plate reader

a 1536-well plates, single-tip dispensing of 4000 cells per well into all wells.

b Incubated at $37 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$ under humidified atmosphere and 5% CO_2 .

c Pintool transfer of library to columns 5–48.

- d Pintool transfer of controls to columns 1–4; 2 columns with mitomycin C, 1 column with DMSO only, several wells in column 3 with tetraoctyl ammonium bromide (this column divided between MMC and TAB).
- e LiveBLAzer™ B/G FRET substrate (Invitrogen, CA).
- f Emission filters of 460/25 and 530/20 nm and an excitation filter of 405/8 nm.