# Validation data for HEK-Blue<sup>™</sup> hACE2 cells

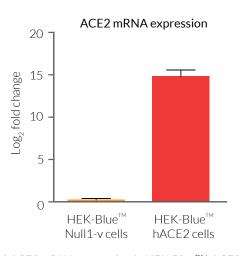
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HEK-Blue<sup>™</sup> hACE2 cells were generated from the HEK-Blue<sup>™</sup> Null1-v cells, which derive from the human embryonic kidney 293 (HEK-293) cell line. ACE2 overexpression in HEK-Blue<sup>™</sup> hACE2 cells has been verified by qRT-PCR (Figure 1), and cell surface staining (Figure 2). Unlike their parental cell line, HEK-Blue<sup>™</sup> hACE2 can be infected with pseudotyped lentiviral particles expressing the SARS-CoV-2 Spike protein (Figure 3).

#### Validation of ACE2 overexpression by qRT-PCR



**Figure 1: hACE2 mRNA expression in HEK-Blue**<sup>TM</sup> **hACE2 cells.** Total mRNA was extracted from ~5x10<sup>5</sup> HEK-Blue<sup>TM</sup> Null1-v and HEK-Blue<sup>TM</sup> hACE2 cells and ACE2 mRNA was amplified using quantitative (q)RT-PCR. Data are represented as the log<sub>2</sub> fold change comparing hACE2 expression to a house keeping gene.

### Validation of ACE2 surface expression by FACS

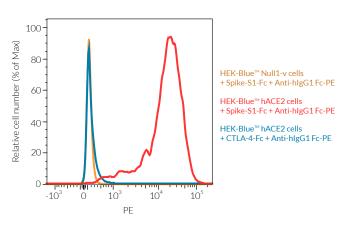


Figure 2: Surface expression of hACE2 by HEK-Blue<sup>™</sup> hACE2 cells. ~ $5\times10^5$  HEK-Blue<sup>™</sup> Null1-v and HEK-Blue<sup>™</sup> hACE2 cells were incubated with 1 µg of Spike-S1-Fc or CTLA-4-Fc fusion proteins for 1h at 4°C. Cells were then washed and incubated with 0.5 µg of a goat anti-hlgG1-Fc antibody coupled to PE for 1h at 4°C. Cell surface staining was analyzed by flow-cytometry.

## Infection of HEK-Blue<sup>™</sup> hACE2 cells by SARS-CoV-2 Spike pseudotyped lentiviral particles

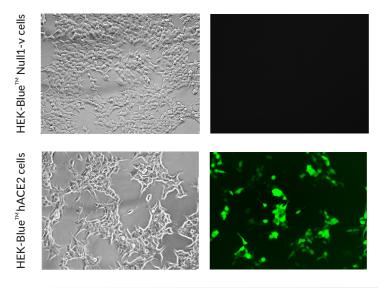


Figure 3: Specific infection of HEK-Blue<sup>™</sup> h ACE2 cells by Spike pseudotyped lentiviral particles. ~2.5x10<sup>5</sup> HEK-Blue<sup>™</sup> Null1-v and HEK-Blue<sup>™</sup> hACE2 cells were cultured in the presence of Spike (SARS-CoV-2) pseudotyped GFP lentiviral particles. After 72h, the transduction efficiency of the Spike pseudotyped GFP particles was evaluated by fluorescence microscopy.

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