

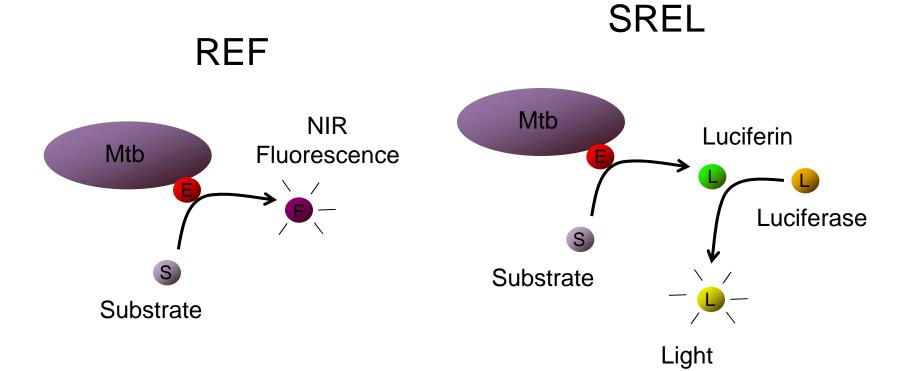
## Reporter Enzyme Fluorescence to Detect TB

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+ Reporter Enzyme Fluorescence (REF)

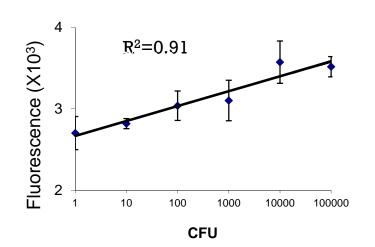




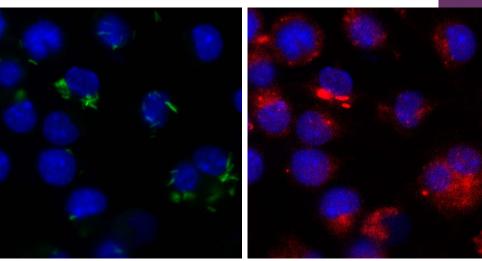
# + Characteristics of BlaC

- Bla are robust enzymes with kinetics approaching rate of <u>substrate</u> <u>diffusion</u>.
- Half-life 3-4 hours allows viability assessment.
- TAT secreted (surface) viability (ATP) dependent.
- First reporter allowing detection gene expression in <u>single</u> cell.
- Threshold thought to be  $\sim 4$  molecules of enzyme.
- Colorimetric, fluorescent, luminescent substrates developed.
- Numerous inhibitors and antibiotics targeting enzyme (chemistry).
- Lactam antibiotics not used for mycobacteria, no selective pressure for mutations.

# **Detection of Infected Cells**

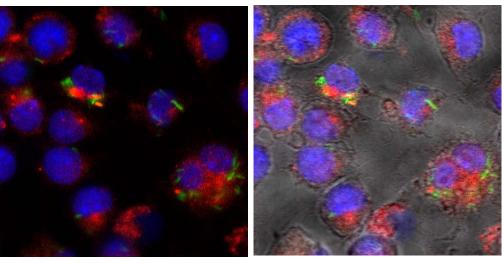


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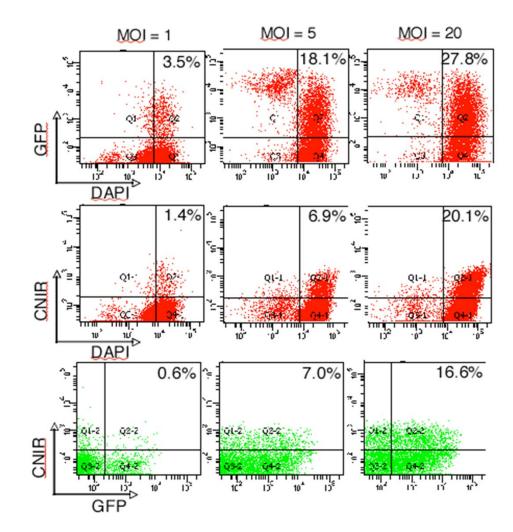
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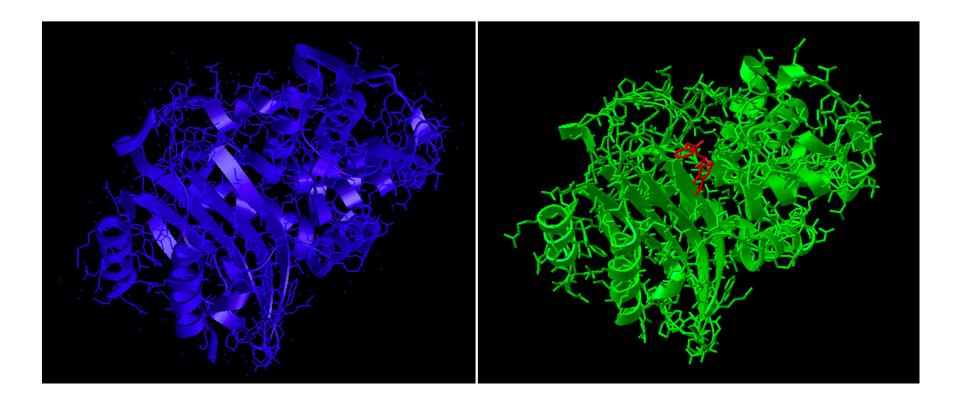
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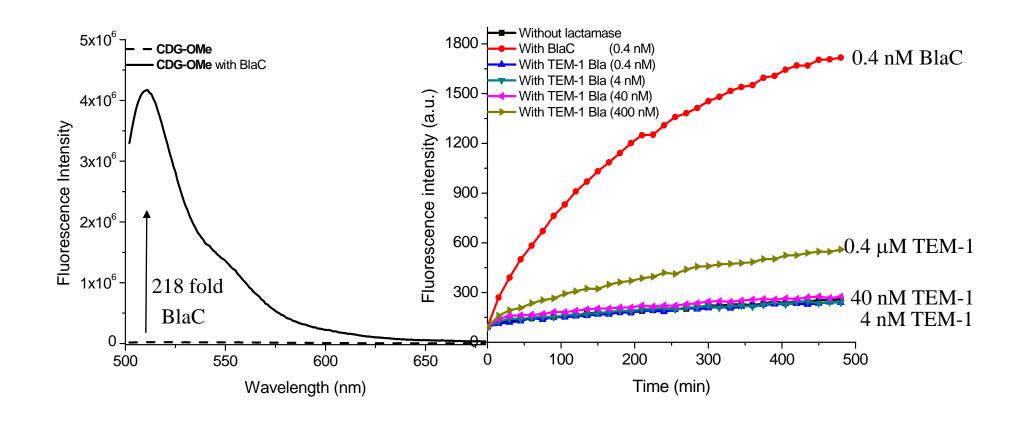
### + Identification of Infected Cells



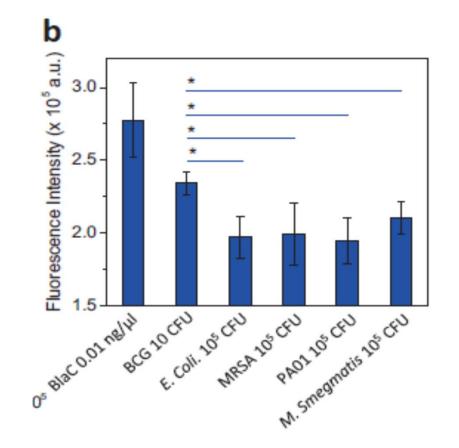
# + Structural Analyses

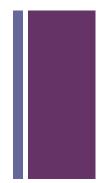


# + CDG-OMe with Enzyme

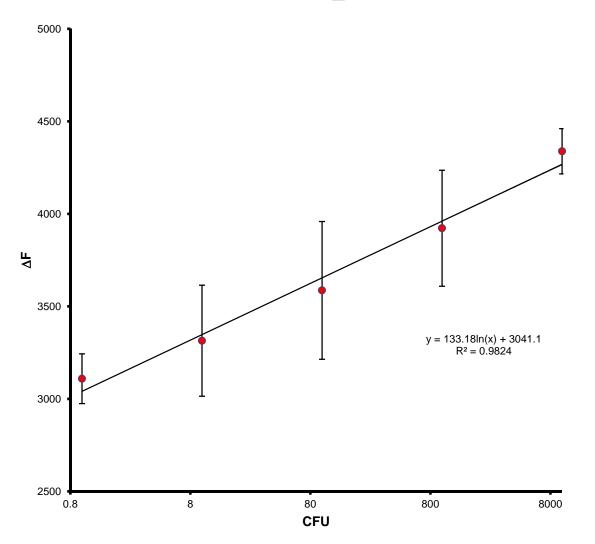








# + REF Detection in Sputum



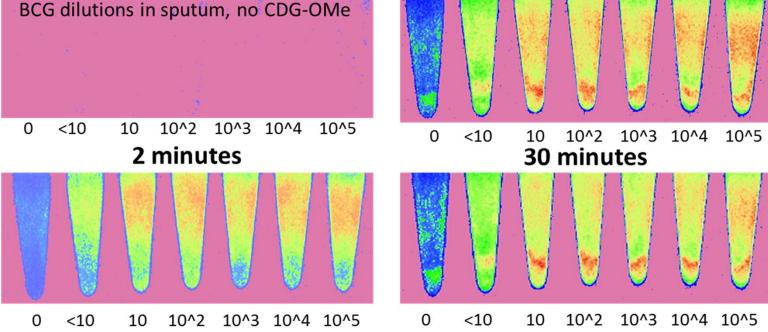


# + Sensitivity in Non-Decontaminated Sputum

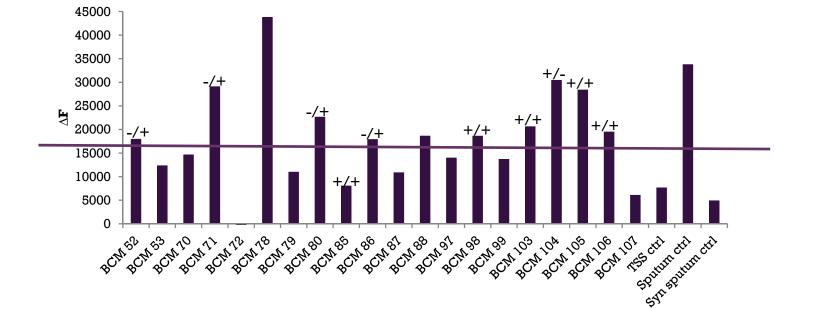
### Limit of Detection $\approx$ 50 CFU/ml

- Non-decontaminated sputum
- Time points = post addition of CDG-OMe
- Sample size 200µl in PCR Tube
- Imaged with iPhone 4S in simple light box (see next slide)
- Analyzed with iPhone app: iPhotolux

**10 minutes 0** <10 10 10^2 10^3 10^4 10^5 **20 minutes** 



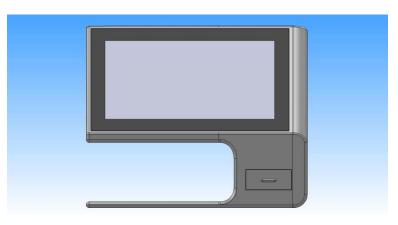




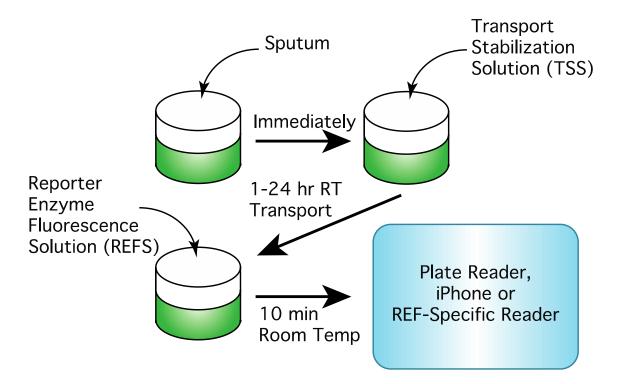
### **TB REaD™ Reader Platform**

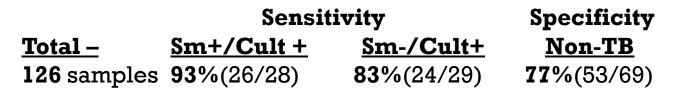


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### DISCLOSURE

Dr. Cirillo has patents filed on these technologies. He is also a founder of and consultant for Global BioDiagnostics Corp. and owns significant stock in the company that has licensed many of the technologies presented.