Degree project at Ridgeview Instruments

Communication between cells and their surroundings is often mediated via ligand-receptor interactions that transfer outside stimuli into intracellular signaling responses. Therefore, cellular receptors represent one of the most popular drug targets. Characterization of both innate ligand-receptor interactions and drug-receptor interactions are important for understanding biological systems and successfully targeting those by drugs.

Ridgeview Instruments develops and markets the LigandTracer instrument family for binding measurements in real-time on living cells. Besides detecting if an interaction occurs, measuring molecular interactions in real-time provides information on how likely an interaction occurs, its stability and strength and potentially the mode of action.

The degree project will include assay development/optimization and the assay will then be applied on a biological system relevant for cancer research. The project will involve cell culturing, protein labeling and real-time binding studies using LigandTracer. This will result in knowledge about molecular interaction analysis, cell biology and assay design. We look for a student that enjoys working at the interface of biology and technology, with team members from both areas.

If this sounds interesting we look forward to your application!

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