



## PPAR $\alpha$ siRNA (m): sc-36308

### BACKGROUND

Peroxisome proliferator-activated receptors (PPARs) are nuclear hormone receptors that can be activated by a variety of compounds including fibrates, thiazolidinediones, prostaglandins and fatty acids. Three PPAR subtypes, designated PPAR $\alpha$ , PPAR $\beta$  (also designated PPAR $\delta$ ) and PPAR $\gamma$ , have been described. PPARs promote transcription by forming heterodimers with members of the retinoid X receptor (RXR) family of steroid receptors and binding to specific DNA motifs termed PPAR-response elements (PPREs). PPAR $\alpha$  is abundant in primary hepatocytes where it regulates the expression of proteins involved in fatty acid metabolism. PPAR $\beta$  is the most widely distributed subtype and is often expressed at high levels. PPAR $\gamma$  is predominantly seen in adipose tissue where it plays a critical role in regulating adipocyte differentiation. Interestingly, both the orphan nuclear hormone receptor LXR $\alpha$  and thyroid receptor (TR) have been shown to act as antagonists of PPAR $\alpha$ /RXR $\alpha$  binding to PPREs.

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### PRODUCT

PPAR $\alpha$  siRNA (m) is a target-specific 20-25 nt siRNA designed to knock down gene expression. Each vial contains 3 nmoles of lyophilized siRNA, sufficient for a 10  $\mu$ M solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections.

### STORAGE AND RESUSPENSION

Store lyophilized siRNA duplex at -20° C with desiccant. Stable for at least one year from the date of shipment. Once resuspended, store at -20° C, avoid contact with RNases and repeated freeze thaw cycles.

Resuspend lyophilized siRNA duplex in 330  $\mu$ l of the RNase-free water provided. Resuspension of the siRNA duplex in 330  $\mu$ l of RNase-free water makes a 10  $\mu$ M solution in a 10  $\mu$ M Tris-HCl, pH 8.0, 20 mM NaCl, 1 mM EDTA buffered solution.

### RESEARCH USE

For research use only, not for use in diagnostic procedures.

### PROTOCOLS

See our web site at [www.scbt.com](http://www.scbt.com) or our catalog for detailed protocols and support products.

### APPLICATIONS

PPAR $\alpha$  siRNA (m) is recommended for the inhibition of PPAR $\alpha$  expression in mouse cells.

PPAR $\alpha$  (H-98): sc-9000 is recommended as a control antibody for Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:100, dilution range 1:100-1:1,000) or immunofluorescence (starting dilution 1:50, dilution range 1:50-1:500) protein detection using the recommended secondary reagents listed below.

### RECOMMENDED SECONDARY REAGENTS

To ensure optimal results, the following support (secondary) reagents are recommended: 1) Western Blotting: use goat anti-rabbit IgG-HRP: sc-2004 (dilution range: 1:2000-1:100,000) or Cruz Marker™ compatible goat anti-rabbit IgG-HRP: sc-2030 (dilution range: 1:2000-1:5000), Cruz Marker™ Molecular Weight Standards: sc-2035, TBS Blotto A Blocking Reagent: sc-2333 and Western Blotting Luminol Reagent: sc-2048. 2) Immunofluorescence: use goat anti-rabbit IgG-FITC: sc-2012 (dilution range: 1:100-1:400) or goat anti-rabbit IgG-TR: sc-2780 (dilution range: 1:100-1:400) with UltraCruz™ Mounting Medium: sc-24941.

### SUPPORT REAGENTS

For optimal siRNA transfection efficiency, Santa Cruz Biotechnology's siRNA Transfection Reagent: sc-29528 (0.3 ml), siRNA Transfection Medium: sc-36868 (20 ml) and siRNA Dilution Buffer: sc-29527 (1.5 ml) are recommended. Control siRNA (Fluorescein Conjugate): sc-36869 (10  $\mu$ M in 60  $\mu$ l) or Control siRNA: sc-37007 (10  $\mu$ M in 60  $\mu$ l) are also available. Semi-quantitative RT-PCR may be performed using RT-PCR Primer: PPAR $\alpha$  (m)-PR: sc-36308-PR (20  $\mu$ l, 513 bp). Annealing temperature for the primers should be 55-60° C and the extension temperature should be 68-72° C.