

Factor B siRNA (m): sc-44916

BACKGROUND

The complement component proteins, C3, C4 and C5, are potent anaphylatoxins that are released during complement activation. Binding of these proteins to their respective G protein-coupled receptors, C3aR, C1R and C5aR, induces proinflammatory events, such as cellular degranulation, smooth muscle contraction, arachidonic acid metabolism, cytokine release, leukocyte activation and cellular chemotaxis. Complement Factor B, also designated Properdin Factor B or PBF2, is part of the alternate pathway of the complement system and is cleaved by Factor D into two fragments: Ba and Bb. Bb combines with complement Factor 3b to produce the C3 or C5 convertase and plays a role in the differentiation and proliferation of preactivated B lymphocytes, lysis of erythrocytes, stimulation of lymphocyte blastogenesis and rapid spreading of peripheral blood monocytes. Ba is important in inhibiting the proliferation of preactivated B lymphocytes. Adipsin, also designated complement Factor D, is a serine protease that cleaves complement Factor B and may be involved in obesity. Factor H controls the function of the alternative complement pathway. FHR-1 (complement Factor H related protein 1) may play a role in lipid metabolism.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: Cfb (mouse) mapping to 17 B1.

RESEARCH USE

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

PROTOCOLS

See our web site at www.scbt.com for detailed protocols and support products.

PRODUCT

Factor B siRNA (m) is a pool of 3 target-specific 19-25 nt siRNAs designed to knock down gene expression. Each vial contains 3.3 nmol of lyophilized siRNA, sufficient for a 10 μ M solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections. Also see Factor B shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-44916-SH and Factor B shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-44916-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of Factor B (m) gene silencing results, we also provide the individual siRNA duplex components. Each is available as 3.3 nmol of lyophilized siRNA. These include: sc-44916A, sc-44916B and sc-44916C.

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

APPLICATIONS

Factor B siRNA (m) is recommended for the inhibition of Factor B expression in mouse cells.

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 siRNAs or Fluorescein Conjugated Control siRNAs are available as 10 μ M in 66 μ l. Each contain a scrambled sequence that will not lead to the specific degradation of any known cellular mRNA. Fluorescein Conjugated Control siRNAs include: sc-36869, sc-44239, sc-44240 and sc-44241. Control siRNAs include: sc-37007, sc-44230, sc-44231, sc-44232, sc-44233, sc-44234, sc-44235, sc-44236, sc-44237 and sc-44238.

RT-PCR REAGENTS

Semi-quantitative RT-PCR may be performed to monitor Factor B gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: Factor B (m)-PR: sc-44916-PR (20 μ l). Annealing temperature for the primers should be 55-60° C and the extension temperature should be 68-72° C.