

UNC5H2 siRNA (m): sc-61847

BACKGROUND

The UNC5H family of proteins act as transmembrane receptors for netrin-1 and play a crucial role in axon guidance and migration of neural cells. In fact, UNC5H receptors express widely in cells that migrate, where they bind the G protein $G_{\alpha i-2}$ to inhibit G protein signaling. Additionally, UNC5H receptors induce apoptosis when cleaved by a caspase, producing an intracellular fragment containing a death domain, but this activity is blocked by the binding of netrin-1. The expression of UNC5H receptors is downregulated in multiple cancers, including colorectal, breast, ovary, uterus, stomach, lung and kidney cancers. Hence, in the absence of netrin-1, UNC5H receptors act as tumor suppressors by inhibiting anchorage-independent growth and invasion, but mutation of these receptors provides a potential mechanism for tumorigenicity. UNC5H2, also designated UNC-5 homolog B or p53-regulated receptor for death and life protein 1 (p53RDL1) is highly expressed in brain with lower levels of expression observed in developing lung, cartilage, kidney and hematopoietic and immune tissues.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: *Unc5b* (mouse) mapping to 10 B4.

PRODUCT

UNC5H2 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 UNC5H2 shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-61847-SH and UNC5H2 shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-61847-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of UNC5H2 (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-61847A, sc-61847B and sc-61847C.

RESEARCH USE

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

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

UNC5H2 siRNA (m) is recommended for the inhibition of UNC5H2 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 UNC5H2 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: UNC5H2 (m)-PR: sc-61847-PR (20 μ l, 562 bp). Annealing temperature for the primers should be 55-60° C and the extension temperature should be 68-72° C.

PROTOCOLS

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