# β-centractin siRNA (h): sc-105198



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## **BACKGROUND**

The dynactin complex is a macromolecular complex that consists of 10-11 distinct subunits. This complex is critical for the function of dynein, a molecular motor protein. Dynactin plays a role in ER to Golgi transport, spindle formation, chromosome movement, axon guidance, nuclear positioning and the centripetal movement of lysosomes and endosomes. Centractin is a subunit of the dynactin complex that exists in multiple isoforms. The  $\alpha$  isoform, also known as Actin-related protein 1 homolog A (Arp1) and previously referred to as centractin, is the most abundant isoform in the dynactin complex. The  $\beta$  isoform, also known as Actin-related protein 1 homolog B, shares 90% identity with the  $\alpha$  isoform. The two isoforms,  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , are expressed at a ratio of 15:1 respectively. The backbone filament structure of the dynactin complex (important for the arrangement of other complex proteins) is composed of 9-11 subunits of  $\alpha/\beta$ -centractin.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: ACTR1B (human) mapping to 2q11.2.

## **PRODUCT**

 $\beta$ -centractin siRNA (h) 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  $\mu$ M solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections. Also see  $\beta$ -centractin shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-105198-SH and  $\beta$ -centractin shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-105198-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of  $\beta$ -centractin (h) gene silencing results, we also provide the individual siRNA duplex components. Each is available as 3.3 nmol of lyophilized siRNA. These include: sc-105198A, sc-105198B and sc-105198C.

#### 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.

## **APPLICATIONS**

 $\beta\text{-centractin}$  siRNA (h) is recommended for the inhibition of  $\beta\text{-centractin}$  expression in human 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 µM in 66 µl. 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.

## **GENE EXPRESSION MONITORING**

 $\alpha/\beta$ -centractin (A-7): sc-376010 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of  $\beta$ -centractin gene expression knockdown by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:200, dilution range 1:100-1:1000) or immunofluorescence (starting dilution 1:50, dilution range 1:50-1:500).

To ensure optimal results, the following support reagents are recommended: 1) Western Blotting: use m-lgG $\kappa$  BP-HRP: sc-516102 or m-lgG $\kappa$  BP-HRP (Cruz Marker): sc-516102-CM (dilution range: 1:1000-1:10000), Cruz Marker<sup>TM</sup> Molecular Weight Standards: sc-2035, UltraCruz<sup>®</sup> Blocking Reagent: sc-516214 and Western Blotting Luminol Reagent: sc-2048. 2) Immunofluorescence: use m-lgG $\kappa$  BP-FITC: sc-516140 or m-lgG $\kappa$  BP-PE: sc-516141 (dilution range: 1:50-1:200) with UltraCruz<sup>®</sup> Mounting Medium: sc-24941 or UltraCruz<sup>®</sup> Hard-set Mounting Medium: sc-359850.

# **RT-PCR REAGENTS**

Semi-quantitative RT-PCR may be performed to monitor  $\beta$ -centractin gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer:  $\beta$ -centractin (h)-PR: sc-105198-PR (20  $\mu$ l). Annealing temperature for the primers should be 55-60° C and the extension temperature should be 68-72° C.

#### **RESEARCH USE**

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

## **PROTOCOLS**

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