

# GABA<sub>C</sub> Rp2 siRNA (h): sc-105385

## BACKGROUND

In the central nervous system inhibitory neurotransmission is primarily achieved through activation of receptors for  $\gamma$ -aminobutyric acid (GABA). The GABA receptor type C (GABA<sub>C</sub>) is a ligand-gated ion channel with pharmacological properties distinct from the GABA<sub>A</sub> receptor. GABA<sub>A</sub> and GABA<sub>C</sub> receptors form ligand-gated chloride channels. Retinal  $\gamma$ -aminobutyric acid type C (GABA<sub>C</sub>) receptors consist of  $\rho$  subunits. Mouse  $\rho$ 2 message does not appear until P9, peaks at P15 and remains at this level through adulthood. Picrotoxin binds to the GABA<sub>C</sub> receptor in both channel open and closed states.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: GABRR2 (human) mapping to 6q15.

## PRODUCT

GABA<sub>C</sub> Rp2 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 GABA<sub>C</sub> Rp2 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-105385-SH and GABA<sub>C</sub> Rp2 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-105385-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of GABA<sub>C</sub> Rp2 (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-105385A, sc-105385B and sc-105385C.

## 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  $\mu$ 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

GABA<sub>C</sub> Rp2 siRNA (h) is recommended for the inhibition of GABA<sub>C</sub> Rp2 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  $\mu$ M in 66  $\mu$ 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 GABA<sub>C</sub> Rp2 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: GABA<sub>C</sub> Rp2 (h)-PR: sc-105385-PR (20  $\mu$ l). 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](http://www.scbt.com) for detailed protocols and support products.