

Pinch-2 siRNA (h): sc-106412

BACKGROUND

Pinch, also designated particularly interesting new Cys-His protein or NYREN-48, is a focal adhesion protein that is a component of the ILK-Pinch complex. This complex is a major part of the growth factor and integrin signaling pathway. Pinch is involved in cell differentiation, proliferation and survival by acting as an effector of integrin and growth factor signaling. It is a cytoplasmic protein expressed in most tissues and consists of five LIM domains, a nuclear localization signal and a nuclear export signal. The Pinch-1/ILK complex is regulated by a Pinch-1 related protein Pinch-2, which also forms a complex with ILK. Pinch-2, also known as LIMS2, is a 341 amino acid nuclear protein that also contains five LIM zinc-binding domains and competes with Pinch-1 for binding to ILK. Pinch-2 is suggested to play a role in modulating cell spreading and migration. Existing as three alternatively spliced isoforms, Pinch-2 is encoded by a gene located on human chromosome 2q14.3.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: LIMS2 (human) mapping to 2q14.3.

PRODUCT

Pinch-2 siRNA (h) is a pool of 2 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 Pinch-2 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-106412-SH and Pinch-2 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-106412-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of Pinch-2 (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-106412A and sc-106412B.

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

Pinch-2 siRNA (h) is recommended for the inhibition of Pinch-2 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 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 Pinch-2 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: Pinch-2 (h)-PR: sc-106412-PR (20 μ 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

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