

SSX4 siRNA (h): sc-106732

BACKGROUND

The transcriptional coactivator SYT (synovial translocation protein) contains a conserved amino terminal SNH domain and a carboxy terminal QPGY domain, which is a functioning transcriptional activating sequence. Synovial sarcoma translocation (SSX) proteins, including SSX1-5, are transcriptional repressors that contain a repressor domain in their carboxy termini. SSX proteins are localized to the nucleus and expressed in testis and several types of cancers and, therefore, they are classified as C/T (cancer/testis) antigens. The t(x;18) translocation results in the fusion of the amino terminus of SYT to the carboxy terminus of either SSX1 or SSX2; both fusions result in the production of transcriptional activators. SYT-SSX chimeras are detected in most synovial sarcomas. Synovial sarcomas are responsible for up to 10% of soft tissue sarcomas and are histologically characterized as either biphasic or monophasic. Genetic analysis indicates that biphasic synovial sarcomas contain SYT-SSX1 fusions, whereas SYT-SSX2 fusions are found in monophasic synovial sarcomas, providing additional distinguishing characterization of these subtypes.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: SSX4 (human) mapping to Xp11.23.

PRODUCT

SSX4 siRNA (h) is a target-specific 19-25 nt siRNA 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 SSX4 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-106732-SH and SSX4 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-106732-V as alternate gene silencing products.

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

SSX4 siRNA (h) is recommended for the inhibition of SSX4 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.

GENE EXPRESSION MONITORING

SSX (C-7): sc-166595 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of SSX4 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-IgG κ BP-HRP: sc-516102 or m-IgG κ BP-HRP (Cruz Marker): sc-516102-CM (dilution range: 1:1000-1:10000), Cruz Marker[™] Molecular Weight Standards: sc-2035, UltraCruz[®] Blocking Reagent: sc-516214 and Western Blotting Luminol Reagent: sc-2048. 2) Immunofluorescence: use m-IgG κ BP-FITC: sc-516140 or m-IgG κ BP-PE: sc-516141 (dilution range: 1:50-1:200) with UltraCruz[®] Mounting Medium: sc-24941 or UltraCruz[®] Hard-set Mounting Medium: sc-359850.

RT-PCR REAGENTS

Semi-quantitative RT-PCR may be performed to monitor SSX4 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: SSX4 (h)-PR: sc-106732-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.