# APEG1 siRNA (m): sc-141148



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## **BACKGROUND**

APEG1 (aortic preferentially expressed protein 1), also known as SPEG (striated muscle preferentially expressed protein kinase) or nuclear protein, marker for differentiated aortic smooth muscle and down-regulated with vascular injury, is a 3,267 amino acid protein that belongs to the protein kinase superfamily and the CAMK serine/threonine protein kinase family. Encoded by a gene that maps to human chromosome 2q35, APEG1 is phosphorylated upon DNA damage, likely by Atm or ATR, and may also be autophosphorylated. APEG1 contains two fibronectin type-III domains, nine Ig-like (immunoglobulin-like) domains, two protein kinase domains and exists as four alternatively spliced isoforms. Isoform 1 is preferentially expressed in striated muscle, while isoform 3, a non-kinase monomer or homodimer, is exclusively expressed in normal vessel walls of highly differentiated aortic smooth muscle cells (ASMC), which are linked to vascular injury response and arteriosclerosis. Isoform 3 is also down-regulated in dedifferentiated ASMC in vivo. APEG1 may assist in growth regulation and differentiation of arterial smooth muscle cells.

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## **CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION**

Genetic locus: Speg (mouse) mapping to 1 C4.

### **RESEARCH USE**

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

### **PRODUCT**

APEG1 siRNA (m) 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  $\mu\text{M}$  solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections. Also see APEG1 shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-141148-SH and APEG1 shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-141148-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  $\mu$ 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**

APEG1 siRNA (m) is recommended for the inhibition of APEG1 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 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.

# **RT-PCR REAGENTS**

Semi-quantitative RT-PCR may be performed to monitor APEG1 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: APEG1 (m)-PR: sc-141148-PR (20  $\mu$ I). 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.

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