

## INMT siRNA (m): sc-146238

### BACKGROUND

Methylation is an important reaction in the metabolism of many drugs, other xenobiotics and endogenous molecules. A methyltransferase is a type of transferase enzyme that transfers a methyl group from a donor to an acceptor. INMT (indolethylamine N-methyltransferase), also known as Temt or aromatic alkylamine N-methyltransferase, is a 264 amino acid protein belonging to the NNMT/PNMT/TEMT family. Localized to the cytoplasm, INMT catalyzes the N-methylation of tryptamine and structurally related compounds. Existing as a monomer, INMT may have a role in the *in vivo* synthesis of psychoactive compounds or neurotoxins. The gene encoding INMT maps to human chromosome 7p14.3 and mouse chromosome 6 B3.

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### CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: *Inmt* (mouse) mapping to 6 B3.

### PRODUCT

INMT 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  $\mu$ M solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections. Also see INMT shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-146238-SH and INMT shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-146238-V as alternate gene silencing products.

### PROTOCOLS

See our web site at [www.scbt.com](http://www.scbt.com) for detailed protocols and support 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

INMT siRNA (m) is recommended for the inhibition of INMT 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  $\mu$ 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 INMT gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: INMT (m)-PR: sc-146238-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.