

MLC1 siRNA (m): sc-149463

BACKGROUND

MLC1 is a 377 amino acid multi-pass membrane protein that may serve as a non-selective neuronal cation channel in brain. Mutant MLC1 proteins that show impaired folding have been corrected *in vitro* with the addition of a Ca²⁺-ATPase inhibitor, curcumin. Mutations in the gene encoding MLC1 is the cause of megalencephalic leukoencephalopathy with subcortical cysts, also known as van der Knaap disease, a rare syndrome characterized early in life by progressive brain destruction causing mental retardation and incontinence. Single nucleotide polymorphisms within the MLC1 gene may be associated with periodic cataplexy, but there seems to be conflicting evidence on whether or not the gene is implicated in general schizophrenia.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: Mlc1 (mouse) mapping to 15 E3.

PROTOCOLS

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

PRODUCT

MLC1 siRNA (m) 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 μ M solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections. Also see MLC1 shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-149463-SH and MLC1 shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-149463-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of MLC1 (m) gene silencing results, we also provide the individual siRNA duplex components. Each is available as 3.3 nmol of lyophilized siRNA. These include: sc-149463A, sc-149463B and sc-149463C.

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

MLC1 siRNA (m) is recommended for the inhibition of MLC1 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 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 MLC1 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: MLC1 (m)-PR: sc-149463-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.