

# Spag11a siRNA (m): sc-153702

## BACKGROUND

Spag11a (sperm-associated antigen 11a), also known as Bin1b or Ep2e, is a 71 amino acid secreted mouse protein that belongs to the  $\beta$ -defensin family and exists as three alternatively spliced isoforms. Acting as an antimicrobial peptide against *E. coli*, Spag11a is also responsible for sperm maturation, storage and protection. The gene that encodes Spag11a maps to mouse chromosome 8 A1.3. With about 132 million base pairs encoding more than 1,500 genes, chromosome 8 makes up approximately 5% of the mouse genome. There are a number of disease-associated genes that map to mouse chromosome 8, including a gene linked to colorectal cancer and a susceptibility gene for kidney disease.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: Spag11a (mouse) mapping to 8 A1.3.

## PRODUCT

Spag11a 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 Spag11a shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-153702-SH and Spag11a shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-153702-V as alternate gene silencing products.

## RESEARCH USE

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

## 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

Spag11a siRNA (m) is recommended for the inhibition of Spag11a 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.