# β-catenin siRNA (r): sc-270011



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## **BACKGROUND**

The catenins,  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$ , are proteins which bind to the highly conserved, intracellular cytoplasmic tail of E-cadherin. Together, the catenin/cadherin complexes play an important role mediating cellular adhesion.  $\alpha$ -catenin was initially described as an E-cadherin associated protein, and since has been shown to associate with other members of the cadherin family, such as N-cadherin and P-cadherin.  $\beta$ -catenin associates with the cytoplasmic portion of E-cadherin, which is necessary for the function of E-cadherin as an adhesion molecule.  $\beta$ -catenin has also been found in complexes with the tumor suppressor protein APC.  $\gamma$ -catenin, also known as plakoglobin, binds with  $\alpha$ -catenin and N-cadherin. It has been shown that the transmembrane phosphatase PTP $\mu$  associates with catenin/cadherin complexes and may regulate complex signaling.

## **CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION**

Genetic locus: Ctnnb1 (rat) mapping to 8q32.

#### **PRODUCT**

β-catenin siRNA (r) 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 μM solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections. Also see β-catenin shRNA Plasmid (r): sc-270011-SH and β-catenin shRNA (r) Lentiviral Particles: sc-270011-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of  $\beta$ -catenin (r) gene silencing results, we also provide the individual siRNA duplex components. Each is available as 3.3 nmol of lyophilized siRNA. These include: sc-270011A, sc-270011B and sc-270011C.

## 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**

 $\beta\text{-catenin siRNA}$  (r) is recommended for the inhibition of  $\beta\text{-catenin}$  expression in rat 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.

## **GENE EXPRESSION MONITORING**

 $\beta$ -catenin (E-5): sc-7963 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of  $\beta$ -catenin 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-lgG $\kappa$  BP-HRP: sc-516102 or m-lgG $\kappa$  BP-HRP (Cruz Marker): sc-516102-CM (dilution range: 1:1000-1:10000), Cruz Marker<sup>TM</sup> Molecular Weight Standards: sc-2035, UltraCruz\* Blocking Reagent: sc-516214 and Western Blotting Luminol Reagent: sc-2048. 2) Immunofluorescence: use m-lgG $\kappa$  BP-FITC: sc-516140 or m-lgG $\kappa$  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  $\beta\text{-catenin}$  gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer:  $\beta\text{-catenin}$  (r)-PR: sc-270011-PR (20  $\mu\text{I}$ , 600 bp). Annealing temperature for the primers should be 55-60° C and the extension temperature should be 68-72° C.

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# **RESEARCH USE**

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