

AMPK α 2 siRNA (ovine): sc-270396

BACKGROUND

AMPK (for 5'-AMP-activated protein kinase) is a heterotrimeric complex comprising a catalytic α subunit, and regulatory β and γ subunits. It protects cells from stresses that cause ATP depletion by switching off ATP-consuming biosynthetic pathways. AMPK is activated by high AMP and low ATP through a mechanism involving allosteric regulation, promotion of phosphorylation by an upstream protein kinase known as AMPK kinase, and inhibition of dephosphorylation. Activated AMPK can phosphorylate and regulate *in vivo* hydroxymethylglutaryl-CoA reductase and acetyl-CoA carboxylase, which are key regulatory enzymes of sterol synthesis and fatty acid synthesis, respectively. AMPK α 2, also known as PRKAA2 (protein kinase, AMP-activated, α 2 catalytic subunit), is a 552 amino acid ovine protein. Human AMPK α 2 is encoded by a gene that maps to chromosome 1p32.2.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: PRKAA2 (ovine) mapping to 1.

PRODUCT

AMPK α 2 siRNA (ovine) 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 AMPK α 2 shRNA Plasmid (ovine): sc-270396-SH and AMPK α 2 shRNA (ovine) Lentiviral Particles: sc-270396-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of AMPK α 2 (ovine) gene silencing results, we also provide the individual siRNA duplex components. Each is available as 3.3 nmol of lyophilized siRNA. These include: sc-270396A, sc-270396B and sc-270396C.

PROTOCOLS

See our web site at 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 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

AMPK α 2 siRNA (ovine) is recommended for the inhibition of AMPK α 2 expression in ovine 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 AMPK α 2 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: AMPK α 2 (ovine)-PR: sc-270396-PR (20 μ l, 415 bp). Annealing temperature for the primers should be 55-60° C and the extension temperature should be 68-72° C.

SELECT PRODUCT CITATIONS

1. Teng, R.J., et al. 2013. AMP kinase activation improves angiogenesis in pulmonary artery endothelial cells with in utero pulmonary hypertension. *Am. J. Physiol. Lung Cell. Mol. Physiol.* 304: L29-L42.

RESEARCH USE

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