

# C/EBP $\beta$ siRNA (r): sc-270405

## BACKGROUND

CCAAT-enhancer binding proteins (C/EBP) are basic region/leucine zipper (bZIP) transcription factors selectively expressed during the differentiation of liver, adipose tissue, blood cells and the endocrine pancreas. C/EBP  $\beta$  is a member of the C/EBP transcription factor family. The C/EBP  $\beta$  gene encodes several isoforms containing truncated transcription activation domains due to the alternative translational initiation at multiple AUG start sites. Initiation of translation at the in-frame AUGs forms four C/EBP  $\beta$  isoforms. C/EBP  $\beta$  is also known as interleukin 6-dependent DNA-binding protein (IL6DBP), liver activator protein (LAP) or liver-enriched transcriptional activator protein transcription factor 5 (TCF5). C/EBP  $\beta$  contributes to the regulation of the acute phase response in hepatocytes. Stat3 has an important function in IL-6-mediated transcription of the C/EBP  $\beta$  gene that has direct implication for acute phase response in liver cells. The C/EBP  $\beta$  form requires phosphorylation for its DNA binding ability, and increase binding of C/EBP  $\beta$  isoforms during acute-phase reaction occurs through its upregulation and structural modification.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: *Cebpb* (rat) mapping to 3q42.

## PRODUCT

C/EBP  $\beta$  siRNA (r) 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 C/EBP  $\beta$  shRNA Plasmid (r): sc-270405-SH and C/EBP  $\beta$  shRNA (r) Lentiviral Particles: sc-270405-V as alternate gene silencing 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

C/EBP  $\beta$  siRNA (r) is recommended for the inhibition of C/EBP  $\beta$  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  $\mu$ 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.

## GENE EXPRESSION MONITORING

C/EBP  $\beta$  (H-7): sc-7962 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of C/EBP  $\beta$  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-IgG $\kappa$  BP-HRP: sc-516102 or m-IgG $\kappa$  BP-HRP (Cruz Marker): sc-516102-CM (dilution range: 1:1000-1:10000), Cruz Marker™ Molecular Weight Standards: sc-2035, UltraCruz® Blocking Reagent: sc-516214 and Western Blotting Luminol Reagent: sc-2048. 2) Immunofluorescence: use m-IgG $\kappa$  BP-FITC: sc-516140 or m-IgG $\kappa$  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 C/EBP  $\beta$  gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: C/EBP  $\beta$  (r)-PR: sc-270405-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.

## PROTOCOLS

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