

# Bcl-x<sub>S/L</sub> siRNA (h): sc-29216

## BACKGROUND

The Bcl-2 gene was isolated at the chromosomal breakpoint of t(14;18) bearing follicular B cell lymphomas. Bcl-2 blocks cell death following a variety of stimuli and confers a death-sparing effect to certain hematopoietic cell lines following growth factor withdrawal. A second protein, designated Bcl-associated X protein (Bax) p21, has extensive amino acid homology with Bcl-2 and both homodimerizes and heterodimerizes with Bcl-2. Over-expression of Bax accelerates apoptotic death induced by cytokine deprivation in an IL-3-dependent cell line, and Bax also counters the death repressor activity of Bcl-2. Bcl-x, one of several additional proteins with sequence homology to Bcl-2, is expressed as Bcl-x<sub>L</sub>, a 233 amino acid protein with 43% sequence identity with Bcl-2 that suppresses cell death, and Bcl-x<sub>S</sub>, a shorter variant that is 178 amino acids in length and lacks a 63 amino acid region (amino acids 126-188) found in Bcl-x<sub>L</sub> and which functions as a dominant inhibitor of Bcl-2. A further apoptosis-inducing protein, Bad, dimerizes both with Bcl-x<sub>L</sub> and to a lesser extent with Bcl-2, thus displacing Bax and inducing apoptosis.

## REFERENCES

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: BCL2L1 (human) mapping to 20q11.21.

## PRODUCT

Bcl-x<sub>S/L</sub> siRNA (h) is a pool of 4 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 Bcl-x<sub>S/L</sub> shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-29216-SH and Bcl-x<sub>S/L</sub> shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-29216-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of Bcl-x<sub>S/L</sub> (h) gene silencing results, we also provide the individual siRNA duplex components. Each is available as 3.3 nmol of lyophilized siRNA. These include: sc-29216A, sc-29216B, sc-29216C and sc-29216D.

## 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 μl of the RNase-free water provided. Resuspension of the siRNA duplex in 330 μl of RNase-free water makes a 10 μM solution in a 10 μM Tris-HCl, pH 8.0, 20 mM NaCl, 1 mM EDTA buffered solution.

## APPLICATIONS

Bcl-x<sub>S/L</sub> siRNA (h) is recommended for the inhibition of Bcl-x<sub>S/L</sub> expression in human 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.

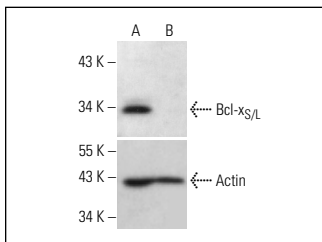
## GENE EXPRESSION MONITORING

Bcl-x<sub>L</sub> (H-5): sc-8392 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of Bcl-x<sub>S/L</sub> 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).

## RT-PCR REAGENTS

Semi-quantitative RT-PCR may be performed to monitor Bcl-x<sub>S/L</sub> gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: Bcl-x<sub>S/L</sub> (h)-PR: sc-29216-PR (20 μl, 400 bp). Annealing temperature for the primers should be 55-60° C and the extension temperature should be 68-72° C.

## DATA



Bcl-x<sub>S/L</sub> siRNA (h): sc-29216. Western blot analysis of Bcl-x<sub>S/L</sub> expression in non-transfected control (A) and Bcl-x<sub>S/L</sub> siRNA transfected (B) HeLa cells. Blot probed with Bcl-x<sub>S/L</sub> (S-18): sc-634. Actin (I-19): sc-1616 used as specificity and loading control.

## SELECT PRODUCT CITATIONS

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## RESEARCH USE

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