

BNPI siRNA (h): sc-29816

BACKGROUND

The BNPI (brain specific Na⁺-dependent inorganic phosphate(Pi) cotransporter) gene, also designated VGLUT1 (vesicular glutamate transporter), is located on chromosome 19q13.33 and encodes a 560 amino acid protein with 6-8 transmembrane-spanning domains. BNPI is expressed predominantly in neurons of the cerebral cortex, hippocampus, and cerebellum, and is more highly expressed in adult brain compared to fetal brain. BNPI localizes almost exclusively to nerve terminals forming asymmetric excitatory-type synapses and associates preferentially with the membranes of small synaptic vesicles. In the plasma membrane, BNPI imports phosphate ions, which are required for glutamatergic neurotransmission. Expression of BNPI results in glutamate uptake by intracellular vesicles, which defines a glutamatergic phenotype in neurons.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: SLC17A7 (human) mapping to 19q13.33.

PRODUCT

BNPI siRNA (h) 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 BNPI shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-29816-SH and BNPI shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-29816-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of BNPI (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-29816A, sc-29816B and sc-29816C.

RESEARCH USE

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

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

BNPI shRNA Plasmid (h) is recommended for the inhibition of BNPI 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 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.

GENE EXPRESSION MONITORING

BNPI (A-8): sc-377425 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of BNPI 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 κ BP-HRP: sc-516102 or m-IgG κ 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 κ BP-FITC: sc-516140 or m-IgG κ 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 BNPI gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: BNPI (h)-PR: sc-29816-PR (20 μ l). Annealing temperature for the primers should be 55-60° C and the extension temperature should be 68-72° C.

PROTOCOLS

See our web site at www.scbt.com for detailed protocols and support products.