



Cot siRNA (h): sc-35095

BACKGROUND

The role of mitogen-activated protein kinases (MAPKs) in cell signaling pathways is well established. The rat gene *Tpl-2*, for tumor progression locus 2, and the human and mouse homologues *c-Cot*, for cancer Osaka thyroid oncogene, encode a proto-oncogene serine/threonine protein kinase that was shown to play a role in the functional activation of the MAP kinase pathway. Overexpression of *Cot* induces MAP kinase activation in COS-1 and NIH/3T3 cells. *Cot*-mediated activation of MAP kinase is inhibited by both Ras N17, a dominant negative mutant of c-H-Ras, and Raf-1s621A, a dominant negative mutant of Raf-1, suggesting that *Cot* functions upstream of Ras and Raf-1. Other studies have shown that a kinase-negative, dominant negative mutant of *Cot* partially blocks Ras or Raf-1-induced MAP kinase activation, arguing that *Cot* functions downstream of Ras and Raf-1. To explain these contrasting findings, it has been suggested that *Cot*, Ras and Raf-1 may form a multimeric complex that phosphorylates MEK-1. *Cot* has also been shown to be implicated in T lymphocyte activation. Two forms of *Cot* are produced by alternative initiation of translation.

REFERENCES

1. Haubruk, H., et al. 1991. Ras p21: effects and regulation. *Biochem. Biophys. Acta* 1072: 215-229.
2. Roberts, T.M. 1992. Cell biology. A signal chain of events. *Nature* 360: 534-535.

CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: MAP3K8 (human) mapping to 10p11.23.

PRODUCT

Cot 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 Cot shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-35095-SH and Cot shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-35095-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of *Cot* (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-35095A, sc-35095B and sc-35095C.

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

Cot siRNA (h) is recommended for the inhibition of *Cot* 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

Cot (H-7): sc-373677 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of *Cot* 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 *Cot* gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: Cot (h)-PR: sc-35095-PR (20 μ l, 425 bp). Annealing temperature for the primers should be 55-60° C and the extension temperature should be 68-72° C.

SELECT PRODUCT CITATIONS

1. Cismasiu, V.B., et al. 2009. BCL11B enhances TCR/CD28-triggered NF κ B activation through up-regulation of *Cot* kinase gene expression in T-lymphocytes. *Biochem. J.* 417: 457-466.
2. Martel, G., et al. 2013. The protein kinase TPL2 is essential for ERK1/ERK2 activation and cytokine gene expression in airway epithelial cells exposed to pathogen-associated molecular patterns (PAMPs). *PLoS ONE* 8: e59116.
3. Schmid, S., et al. 2014. Mitogen-activated protein kinase-mediated licensing of interferon regulatory factor 3/7 reinforces the cell response to virus. *J. Biol. Chem.* 289: 299-311.
4. Sheu, W.H., et al. 2021. Therapeutic potential of *Tpl2* (tumor progression locus 2) inhibition on diabetic vasculopathy through the blockage of the inflammasome complex. *Arterioscler. Thromb. Vasc. Biol.* 41: e46-e62.

RESEARCH USE

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