

IL-6R α siRNA (h): sc-35663

BACKGROUND

IL-6 activates intracellular signaling through binding a receptor consisting of a ligand-binding protein (IL-6R α) and a second protein. IL-6 first binds to IL-6R α (also known as gp80), which subsequently associates with a gp130 dimer. The active signaling complex consists of, at minimum, IL-6, IL-6R α and a dimer of two gp130 proteins that are linked by a disulfide bond. A soluble form of IL-6R α , namely sIL-6R α , is generated by proteolytic cleavage of the membrane-bound precursor and can function as an agonistic molecule that can actively participate in cell-to-cell signaling. The second subunit of the IL-6 complex, gp130, also functions as a component of several additional receptor complexes, including leukemia inhibitory factor (LIF), oncostatin M (OSM), ciliary neurotrophic factor (CNTF) and IL-11. LIF binds to the LIF receptor with low affinity and to a complex of the LIF receptor and gp130 with high affinity, while OSM appears to bind to gp130 with low affinity and to a complex of gp130 and the LIF receptor with high affinity.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: IL6R (human) mapping to 1q21.3.

PRODUCT

IL-6R α 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 IL-6R α shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-35663-SH and IL-6R α shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-35663-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of IL-6R α (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-35663A, sc-35663B and sc-35663C.

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

IL-6R α siRNA (h) is recommended for the inhibition of IL-6R α 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

IL-6R α (H-7): sc-373708 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of IL-6R α 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 MarkerTM 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 IL-6R α gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: IL-6R α (h)-PR: sc-35663-PR (20 μ l, 435 bp). Annealing temperature for the primers should be 55-60° C and the extension temperature should be 68-72° C.

SELECT PRODUCT CITATIONS

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RESEARCH USE

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