

IRS-2 siRNA (m): sc-35714

BACKGROUND

IRS-2, originally described as 4PS, acts as a signaling intermediate downstream of the Insulin, IGF-1, IL-4, IL-9 and IL-13 receptors. In IRS-2-deficient mice, reduction in total PI 3-kinase activity by 30% and abolition of downstream activation of protein kinase C (PKC) ζ leads to the development of type 2 diabetes. Additionally, reconstitution with retroviral IRS-2 restores IRS-2/PI 3-kinase/PKC ζ signalling as well as glucose uptake. IRS-2 translocates to the nuclei of mouse embryo fibroblasts expressing the Insulin-like growth factor 1 receptor. Various mutations in the IGF-IR can result in an abrogation of or decrease in the translocation of IRS proteins to the nucleoli. IRS-2 is responsible for mitogen-activated protein kinase (MAPK) and protein kinase B (PKB) activation by Insulin and is the major adapter molecule linking the Insulin receptor to this step.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: Irs2 (mouse) mapping to 8 A1.1.

PRODUCT

IRS-2 siRNA (m) 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 IRS-2 shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-35714-SH and IRS-2 shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-35714-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of IRS-2 (m) gene silencing results, we also provide the individual siRNA duplex components. Each is available as 3.3 nmol of lyophilized siRNA. These include: sc-35714A, sc-35714B and sc-35714C.

PROTOCOLS

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

IRS-2 siRNA (m) is recommended for the inhibition of IRS-2 expression in mouse 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

IRS-2 (B-5): sc-390761 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of IRS-2 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 IRS-2 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: IRS-2 (m)-PR: sc-35714-PR (20 μ l, 545 bp). 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.