

# p18 INK4C siRNA (h): sc-36145

## BACKGROUND

The normal progression of cells through the cell cycle is under the control of the cyclin dependent protein kinases Cdk4 and Cdk6, which are subject to inhibition by the mitotic inhibitory protein p16 INK4A. Isolated members of the p16 INK4A family have been designated p15 INK4B and p18 INK4C. p15 INK4B expression is upregulated approximately 30-fold in TGF $\beta$ -treated human keratinocytes. The gene encoding p15 INK4B has been mapped to chromosome 9p21.3 at a position adjacent to the p16 INK4A gene, at a site of frequent chromosomal abnormality in human tumors. It has been suggested that p15 may function as an effector of TGF $\beta$ -mediated cell cycle arrest through inhibition of Cdk4 and Cdk6 kinase. The second p16-related protein, p18 INK4C, interacts strongly with Cdk6 and to a lesser extent with Cdk4, but lacks apparent interaction with other Cdk. Recombinant p18 INK4C has been shown to inhibit cyclin D-Cdk6 kinase activity. In contrast to p21 Waf1/Cip1/p27 that form ternary complexes with cyclin-Cdks, only binary complexes of p15 INK4B, p16 INK4A and p18 INK4C have been identified in association with Cdk4 and/or Cdk6.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: CDKN2C (human) mapping to 1p32.3.

## PRODUCT

p18 INK4C 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  $\mu$ M solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections. Also see p18 INK4C shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-36145-SH and p18 INK4C shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-36145-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of p18 INK4C (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-36145A, sc-36145B and sc-36145C.

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

## APPLICATIONS

p18 INK4C siRNA (h) is recommended for the inhibition of p18 INK4C 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  $\mu$ M in 66  $\mu$ 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

p18 INK4C (118.2): sc-9965 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of p18 INK4C 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 $\kappa$  BP-HRP: sc-516102 or m-IgG $\kappa$  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 $\kappa$  BP-FITC: sc-516140 or m-IgG $\kappa$  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 p18 INK4C gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: p18 INK4C (h)-PR: sc-36145-PR (20  $\mu$ l, 518 bp). Annealing temperature for the primers should be 55-60° C and the extension temperature should be 68-72° C.

## SELECT PRODUCT CITATIONS

1. Kang, J.W., et al. 2008. The effects of cyclin-dependent kinase inhibitors on adipogenic differentiation of human mesenchymal stem cells. *Biochem. Biophys. Res. Commun.* 366: 624-630.

## RESEARCH USE

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

## PROTOCOLS

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