

# DJ-1 siRNA (h): sc-37080

## BACKGROUND

The DJ-1 gene encodes a highly-conserved protein which is implicated in a number of cell processes. DJ-1 was first identified as a novel oncogene that transformed mouse NIH/3T3 cells in cooperation with activated Ras. Additionally, DJ-1 was cloned in rat as SP22 or CAP-1, and found to be an infertility-related sperm protein whose expression is reduced in sperm treated with toxicants. DJ-1 also positively regulates the androgen receptor (AR) by forming a complex with PIASx $\alpha$ , a negative regulator of AR. The gene encoding human DJ-1 maps to chromosome 1p36.23, a region identified as a hot spot of chromosome abnormalities in several tumor cells. Subsequently, mutations in the DJ-1 gene have been implicated in Parkinson's disease, and loss of DJ-1 function leads to neurodegeneration. DJ-1 is a ubiquitously expressed protein that is induced in response to growth stimuli and translocates from the cytoplasm to the nucleus during the S phase of the cell cycle.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: PARK7 (human) mapping to 1p36.23.

## PRODUCT

DJ-1 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 DJ-1 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-37080-SH and DJ-1 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-37080-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of DJ-1 (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-37080A, sc-37080B and sc-37080C.

## 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

DJ-1 siRNA (h) is recommended for the inhibition of DJ-1 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

DJ-1 (D-4): sc-55572 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of DJ-1 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).

## RT-PCR REAGENTS

Semi-quantitative RT-PCR may be performed to monitor DJ-1 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: DJ-1 (h)-PR: sc-37080-PR (20  $\mu$ l, 431 bp). Annealing temperature for the primers should be 55-60° C and the extension temperature should be 68-72° C.

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## RESEARCH USE

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