# RGS16 siRNA (m): sc-37162



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## **BACKGROUND**

Regulators of G protein signaling (RGS proteins) are a family of highly diverse, multifunctional signaling proteins that share a conserved 120 amino acid domain (RGS domain). RGS domains bind directly to activated  $G_{\alpha}$  subunits and act as GTPase-activating proteins (GAPs) to attenuate and/or modulate hormone and neurotransmitter receptor-initiated signaling by both  $G_{\alpha}$ -GTP and  $G_{\beta\gamma}$ -RGS proteins shorten the lifetime of the activated G protein. RGS16 is expressed at high levels in retina. Overexpression of RGS16 inhibits G protein-coupled mitogenic signal transduction and activation of the mitogenactivated protein kinase (MAPK) signaling cascade. RGS16 enhances the rate of GTP-hydrolysis by transducin, suggesting that RGS16 may play a role in regulating the kinetics of signaling in the phototransduction cascade. The gene which encodes RGS16 maps to human chromosome 1q25.3.

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# CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: Rgs16 (mouse) mapping to 1 G3.

# **PRODUCT**

RGS16 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  $\mu\text{M}$  solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections. Also see RGS16 shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-37162-SH and RGS16 shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-37162-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of RGS16 (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-37162A, sc-37162B and sc-37162C.

# **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  $\mu$ 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**

RGS16 siRNA (m) is recommended for the inhibition of RGS16 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 µM in 66 µl. 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**

RGS16 (A-9): sc-166083 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of RGS16 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-lgG $\kappa$  BP-HRP: sc-516102 or m-lgG $\kappa$  BP-HRP (Cruz Marker): sc-516102-CM (dilution range: 1:1000-1:10000), Cruz Marker<sup>TM</sup> Molecular Weight Standards: sc-2035, UltraCruz<sup>®</sup> Blocking Reagent: sc-516214 and Western Blotting Luminol Reagent: sc-2048. 2) Immunofluorescence: use m-lgG $\kappa$  BP-FITC: sc-516140 or m-lgG $\kappa$  BP-PE: sc-516141 (dilution range: 1:50-1:200) with UltraCruz<sup>®</sup> Mounting Medium: sc-24941 or UltraCruz<sup>®</sup> Hard-set Mounting Medium: sc-359850.

# **RT-PCR REAGENTS**

Semi-quantitative RT-PCR may be performed to monitor RGS16 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: RGS16 (m)-PR: sc-37162-PR (20  $\mu$ l, 500 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.

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