

# TREK-1 siRNA (h): sc-37180

## BACKGROUND

TREK-1 (also designated TWIK-related K<sup>+</sup> channel) and TREK-2 are members of the tandem-pore K<sup>+</sup> channel family and belong to the class of mechanosensitive and fatty acid-stimulated K<sup>+</sup> channels. TREK-1 has an outwardly rectifying current-voltage relationship, while TREK-2 shows inward rectification. Both TREK-1 and TREK-2 are activated by arachidonic acid and other naturally occurring unsaturated free fatty acids. These family members possess two pore-forming domains and four transmembrane segments. TREK-2 is a 538-amino acid protein and shares 65% amino acid sequence identity with TREK-1. TREK-1 is expressed in many different tissues, particularly lung and brain, while TREK-2 is expressed mainly in the cerebellum, spleen, and testis.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: KCNK2 (human) mapping to 1q41.

## PRODUCT

TREK-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 TREK-1 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-37180-SH and TREK-1 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-37180-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of TREK-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-37180A, sc-37180B and sc-37180C.

## 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

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

TREK-1 (F-6): sc-398449 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of TREK-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).

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 TREK-1 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: TREK-1 (h)-PR: sc-37180-PR (20  $\mu$ l, 577 bp). Annealing temperature for the primers should be 55-60° C and the extension temperature should be 68-72° C.

## SELECT PRODUCT CITATIONS

1. Chai, S., et al. 2017. Contribution of two-pore K<sup>+</sup> channels to cardiac ventricular action potential revealed using human iPSC-derived cardiomyocytes. *Am. J. Physiol. Heart Circ. Physiol.* 312: H1144-H1153.

## RESEARCH USE

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

## PROTOCOLS

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