

Bcl-w siRNA (h): sc-37293

BACKGROUND

The Bcl-2 family of proteins is characterized by its ability to modulate cell death (apoptosis) under a broad range of physiological conditions. Bcl-2, A1 and Bcl-x_L function to inhibit apoptosis while other members of the Bcl-2 family, Bax, Bad, Bak and Bcl-x_S oppose their death-suppressing effects. Using a PCR-based strategy, an additional protein with life-promoting activity, designated Bcl-w, has been identified. The protein is highly conserved between mouse and human and is encoded by a gene located near the TCR α gene on chromosome 14. Bcl-w is expressed in myeloid cell lines but not in T and B lymphocytes, and can be found in a wide range of tissues. An alternative splicing event in exon 4 results in two transcripts. The first, Bcl-w, encodes a protein of 193 amino acids, and the second, Bcl-w/rox, encodes a protein 333 amino acids in length. The "rox" portion of Bcl-w/rox shows a striking 66% amino acid sequence identity with the *Drosophila* rox2 protein; however, the Bcl-w/rox transcript may be expressed at very low levels.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: BCL2L2 (human) mapping to 14q11.2.

PRODUCT

Bcl-w 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 μ M solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections. Also see Bcl-w shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-37293-SH and Bcl-w shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-37293-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of Bcl-w (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-37293A, sc-37293B and sc-37293C.

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

Bcl-w siRNA (h) is recommended for the inhibition of Bcl-w 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 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

Bcl-w (2E4): sc-293236 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of Bcl-w 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 Bcl-w gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: Bcl-w (h)-PR: sc-37293-PR (20 μ l, 422 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.