

BI-1 siRNA (h): sc-37298

BACKGROUND

BI-1 (Bax inhibitor 1), also designated testis enhanced gene transcript (TEGT), is a regulator of cell death pathways controlled by Bcl-2 and Bax. BI-1 is an integral membrane protein containing six membrane-spanning segments and is predominantly localized to intracellular membranes, similar to Bcl-2 family proteins. The human protein contains 237 amino acids. BI-1 can interact with Bcl-2 and Bcl-x_L. When overexpressed in mammalian cells, BI-1 suppresses apoptosis induced by Bax, etoposide, staurosporine and growth factor deprivation. BI-1 antisense induces apoptosis.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: TMBIM6 (human) mapping to 12q13.12.

PRODUCT

BI-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 μ M solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections. Also see BI-1 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-37298-SH and BI-1 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-37298-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of BI-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-37298A, sc-37298B and sc-37298C.

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 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

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

BI-1 (430): sc-52895 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of BI-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 BI-1 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: BI-1 (h)-PR: sc-37298-PR (20 μ l, 437 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.