

CENP-F siRNA (h): sc-37563

BACKGROUND

A replicated chromosome includes two kinetochores that control chromosome segregation during mitosis. Centromere protein F, CENP-F (also designated mitotin) is a nuclear matrix kinetochore protein that plays a role in mitotic events. In HeLa cells, CENP-F gradually accumulates in the cell cycle, and like CENP-E is preferentially expressed during mitosis where it mediates the G₂ to M phase checkpoint. Upon completion of mitosis, CENP-F is rapidly degraded. CENP-F consists of two coil domains that flank a central flexible core and contains a P-loop (ADIPGTGKT) nucleotide binding site in its globular carboxy terminus.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

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

PRODUCT

CENP-F 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 CENP-F shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-37563-SH and CENP-F shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-37563-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of CENP-F (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-37563A, sc-37563B and sc-37563C.

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

CENP-F siRNA (h) is recommended for the inhibition of CENP-F 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.

RT-PCR REAGENTS

Semi-quantitative RT-PCR may be performed to monitor CENP-F gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: CENP-F (h)-PR: sc-37563-PR (20 μ l). 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.

PROTOCOLS

See our web site at www.scbt.com for detailed protocols and support products.