

# NRF-1 siRNA (h): sc-38105

## BACKGROUND

Nuclear respiratory factor-1 (NRF-1) is a transcriptional activator that has been implicated in the nuclear control of respiratory chain expression in mammalian cells. The NRF-1 gene is expressed during oogenesis and during the early stages of embryogenesis. *In vitro* studies have implicated NRF-1 in the transcriptional expression of nuclear genes required for mitochondrial respiratory function, as well as for other fundamental cellular activities. While most isolated wild-type and NRF-1<sup>+/+</sup> blastocysts continue to develop normally *in vitro*, NRF-1<sup>-/-</sup> blastocysts lack this ability, despite their normal morphology. NRF-1 is specifically required in the maintenance of mtDNA and respiratory chain function during early embryogenesis. NRF-1 also plays a key role in cellular adaptation to energy demands by translating physiological signals into an increased capacity for generating energy. Additionally, NRF-1 is a major transcription factor that binds the promoter in brain and testis.

## REFERENCES

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: NRF1 (human) mapping to 7q32.2.

## PRODUCT

NRF-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 NRF-1 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-38105-SH and NRF-1 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-38105-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of NRF-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-38105A, sc-38105B and sc-38105C.

## 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

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

NRF-1 (147.1): sc-101102 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of NRF-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<sup>™</sup> Molecular Weight Standards: sc-2035, UltraCruz<sup>®</sup> 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<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 NRF-1 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: NRF-1 (h)-PR: sc-38105-PR (20  $\mu$ l, 512 bp). Annealing temperature for the primers should be 55-60° C and the extension temperature should be 68-72° C.

## SELECT PRODUCT CITATIONS

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2. Alam, C., et al. 2020. Nuclear respiratory factor 1 (NRF-1) upregulates the expression and function of reduced folate carrier (RFC) at the blood-brain barrier. *FASEB J.* 34: 10516-10530.

## RESEARCH USE

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

## PROTOCOLS

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