

# HoxA10 siRNA (h): sc-38684

## BACKGROUND

The Hox homeobox genes encode proteins that are transcriptional regulators with an established role in embryonic development. The HoxA10 gene is related to the Abdominal B (AbdB) homeobox subfamily of genes and is expressed in both the developing genitourinary tract and in the adult uterus. HoxA10 expression increases during the midsecretory phase of the menstrual cycle, which corresponds with increased levels of circulating progesterone, as evidenced by Northern blot analysis. Furthermore, HoxA10 expression increases in a concentration-dependent manner with progesterone stimulation in cultured endometrial cells and is blocked by the progesterone receptor antagonist RU486. In addition, HoxA10 is differentially expressed in the myometrium throughout the menstrual cycle, both *in vivo* and *in vitro*, with decreased expression coinciding with increased progesterone levels. In contrast with a control group, female patients with documented endometriosis do not exhibit a mid-luteal increase in uterine Hox gene expression, which may contribute to the pathology of the disease.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: HOXA10 (human) mapping to 7p15.2.

## PRODUCT

HoxA10 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 HoxA10 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-38684-SH and HoxA10 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-38684-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of HoxA10 (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-38684A, sc-38684B and sc-38684C.

## 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

HoxA10 siRNA (h) is recommended for the inhibition of HoxA10 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

HoxA10 (E-11): sc-271428 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of HoxA10 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 HoxA10 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: HoxA10 (h)-PR: sc-38684-PR (20  $\mu$ l, 522 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.

## PROTOCOLS

See our web site at [www.scbt.com](http://www.scbt.com) for detailed protocols and support products.