

PDK4 siRNA (m): sc-39031

BACKGROUND

Pyruvate dehydrogenase kinase family members (PDK1, 2, 3, 4) are serine kinases that catalyze phosphorylation of the E1 α subunit of the pyruvate dehydrogenase complex (PDC). PDC activity is controlled through phosphorylation and dephosphorylation of the E1 α subunit, which leads to inactivation and reactivation, respectively. PDK3 binding to a free lipoyl domain (L2) in dihydrolipoyl acetyltransferase (E2), which comprises the core of PDC, leads to a large increase in E1 α phosphorylation. Upregulation of PDK isoenzymes occurs during starvation conditions, where acetyl-CoA is alternatively generated through fatty acid oxidation. PDKs contain five conserved regions and are mechanistically similar to bacterial His-kinases in that both require histidine residues for activity. In mammals, transcripts for PDK3 are most abundant in testis and moderately expressed in heart and skeletal muscle.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: Pdk4 (mouse) mapping to 6 A1.

PRODUCT

PDK4 siRNA (m) 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 PDK4 shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-39031-SH and PDK4 shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-39031-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of PDK4 (m) gene silencing results, we also provide the individual siRNA duplex components. Each is available as 3.3 nmol of lyophilized siRNA. These include: sc-39031A, sc-39031B and sc-39031C.

RESEARCH USE

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

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

PDK4 siRNA (m) is recommended for the inhibition of PDK4 expression in mouse 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 PDK4 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: PDK4 (m)-PR: sc-39031-PR (20 μ l). Annealing temperature for the primers should be 55-60° C and the extension temperature should be 68-72° C.

SELECT PRODUCT CITATIONS

1. Na, Y.R., et al. 2020. Pyruvate dehydrogenase kinase is a negative regulator of interleukin-10 production in macrophages. *J. Mol. Cell Biol.* 12: 543-555.

PROTOCOLS

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