

PI 4-kinase α siRNA (m): sc-39134

BACKGROUND

The members of the phosphatidylinositol kinase (PIK) superfamily can be divided into three groups based on their substrate specificity. PIKs convert phosphatidylinositol (PI) into PI phosphate [PI(3)P], PI phosphate [PI(4)P], PI bisphosphate [PI(4,5)P₂] and PI triphosphate [PI(3,4,5)P₃]. The first group, the PI 3-kinases, is composed of highly related proteins designated p110 α , p110 β , p110 γ and p110 δ which convert PI into PI(3)P and PI(4,5)P₂ into PI(3,4,5)P₃. The second group, the PI 4-kinases, convert PI into PI(4)P. The third group, the PI(4)P5-kinases, convert PI(4)P into PI(4,5)P₂. Phosphatidylinositides represent important regulatory molecules and are involved in a diverse array of signaling pathways. Phosphatidylinositol biphosphate acts as an activator of PKCs and as a substrate for PLC γ , which converts the molecule into the second messengers, inositol-1,4,5 triphosphate and 1,2-diaclyglycerol. PI(3,4,5)P₃ has been shown to activate the PKC ζ isoform. Wortmannin, originally described as a specific inhibitor of PI 3-kinases, may actually be a broad spectrum inhibitor of PI kinase activity.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: Pi4ka (mouse) mapping to 16 A3.

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.

PRODUCT

PI 4-kinase α 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 PI 4-kinase α shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-39134-SH and PI 4-kinase α shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-39134-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of PI 4-kinase α (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-39134A, sc-39134B and sc-39134C.

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

PI 4-kinase α siRNA (m) is recommended for the inhibition of PI 4-kinase α 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 PI 4-kinase α gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: PI 4-kinase α (m)-PR: sc-39134-PR (20 μ l). Annealing temperature for the primers should be 55-60° C and the extension temperature should be 68-72° C.