

MK siRNA (h): sc-39711

BACKGROUND

Midkine, or MK, is a heparin-binding molecule involved in the regulation of growth and differentiation during embryogenesis. MK expression is tightly regulated during embryonic development by steroid receptors of the retinoic acid superfamily. The mature human MK protein is 118 amino acids in length and contains five intrachain disulfide bonds. MK is a non-glycosylated protein that shows greater than 87% identity between human and mouse. The carboxy-terminus of MK contains the principle heparin-binding site and the molecule's neurite-promoting sequences; both the amino- and carboxy-terminal sequences are required for the molecule's neurotrophic properties. An association between overexpression of MK and colon adenocarcinoma has been shown in families suffering from familial polyposis. In addition, MK functions to enhance the activity of plasminogen activator (PA).

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: MDK (human) mapping to 11p11.2.

PRODUCT

MK siRNA (h) is a target-specific 19-25 nt siRNA 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 MK shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-39711-SH and MK shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-39711-V as alternate gene silencing products.

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

MK siRNA (h) is recommended for the inhibition of MK 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.

GENE EXPRESSION MONITORING

MK (A-9): sc-46701 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of MK 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 κ BP-HRP: sc-516102 or m-IgG κ 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 κ BP-FITC: sc-516140 or m-IgG κ 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 MK gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: MK (h)-PR: sc-39711-PR (20 μ l, 404 bp). Annealing temperature for the primers should be 55-60° C and the extension temperature should be 68-72° C.

SELECT PRODUCT CITATIONS

1. Shin, D.H., et al. 2020. Midkine is a potential therapeutic target of tumorigenesis, angiogenesis, and metastasis in non-small cell lung cancer. *Cancers* 12: E2402.

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.