

# Lefty-B siRNA (h): sc-39790

## BACKGROUND

The TGF $\beta$  superfamily is composed of numerous growth and differentiation factors, including transforming growth factor (TGF) 1, 2 and 3; growth/differentiation factor (GDF) 1-9; Mullerian inhibiting substance (MIS); bone morphogenic protein (BMP) 2-8; glial cell line-derived neurotrophic factor (GDNF); inhibins  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ -A,  $\beta$ -B and  $\beta$ -C; Lefty and Nodal. Members of the TGF superfamily are involved in embryonic development and adult tissue homeostasis. Lefty-A and Lefty-B are homologues of murine Lefty-1 and Lefty-2. Lefty-1 is required for left-right axis determination as a regulator of Lefty-2 and Nodal. It is a secreted protein expressed on the left side of developing embryos. The expression of Lefty-1 is mostly in the prospective floor plate (PFP), although weak expression can be seen in the lateral-plate mesoderm (LPM). It is involved in establishing left-right asymmetry of the organ systems of mammals. Lefty-A plays a role in endometrial bleeding. Mutations in this gene have been associated with left-right axis malformations, particularly in the heart and lungs. Some types of infertility have been associated with dysregulated expression of this gene in the endometrium.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: LEFTY1 (human) mapping to 1q42.12.

## PRODUCT

Lefty-B 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 Lefty-B shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-39790-SH and Lefty-B shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-39790-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of Lefty-B (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-39790A, sc-39790B and sc-39790C.

## 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  $\mu$ 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

Lefty-B siRNA (h) is recommended for the inhibition of Lefty-B 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

Lefty (D-6): sc-365845 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of Lefty-B 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 Lefty-B gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: Lefty-B (h)-PR: sc-39790-PR (20  $\mu$ l). Annealing temperature for the primers should be 55-60° C and the extension temperature should be 68-72° C.

## PROTOCOLS

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