# Lefty-2 siRNA (m): sc-39792



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## **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 through 9; Mullerian inhibiting substance (MIS); bone morphogenic protein (BMP) 2 through 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 emryos. 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: Lefty2 (mouse) mapping to 1 H4.

#### **PRODUCT**

Lefty-2 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  $\mu\text{M}$  solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections. Also see Lefty-2 shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-39792-SH and Lefty-2 shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-39792-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of Lefty-2 (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-39792A, sc-39792B and sc-39792C.

## **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-2 siRNA (m) is recommended for the inhibition of Lefty-2 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 µM in 66 µl. 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-2 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-lgG $\kappa$  BP-HRP: sc-516102 or m-lgG $\kappa$  BP-HRP (Cruz Marker): sc-516102-CM (dilution range: 1:1000-1:10000), Cruz Marker<sup>TM</sup> Molecular Weight Standards: sc-2035, UltraCruz<sup>®</sup> Blocking Reagent: sc-516214 and Western Blotting Luminol Reagent: sc-2048. 2) Immunofluorescence: use m-lgG $\kappa$  BP-FITC: sc-516140 or m-lgG $\kappa$  BP-PE: sc-516141 (dilution range: 1:50-1:200) with UltraCruz<sup>®</sup> Mounting Medium: sc-24941 or UltraCruz<sup>®</sup> Hard-set Mounting Medium: sc-359850.

## **RT-PCR REAGENTS**

Semi-quantitative RT-PCR may be performed to monitor Lefty-2 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: Lefty-2 (m)-PR: sc-39792-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 for detailed protocols and support products.

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