

Notch 4 siRNA (m): sc-40138

BACKGROUND

The LIN-12/Notch family of transmembrane receptors is believed to play a central role in development by regulating cell fate decisions. To date, four Notch homologs have been identified in mammals and have been designated Notch 1, Notch 2, Notch 3 and Notch 4. The Notch genes are expressed in a variety of tissues in both the embryonic and adult organism, suggesting that the genes are involved in multiple signaling pathways. The Notch proteins have been found to be overexpressed or rearranged in human tumors. Ligands for Notch include Jagged, Jagged2 and Delta. Jagged can activate Notch and prevent myoblast differentiation by inhibiting the expression of muscle regulatory and structural genes. Jagged2 is thought to be involved in the development of various tissues whose development is dependent upon epithelial-mesenchymal interactions. Normal Delta expression is restricted to the adrenal gland and placenta. Delta expression has also been found in neuroendocrine tumors such as neuroblastomas and pheochromocytomas.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: Notch4 (mouse) mapping to 17 B1.

PRODUCT

Notch 4 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 Notch 4 shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-40138-SH and Notch 4 shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-40138-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of Notch 4 (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-40138A, sc-40138B and sc-40138C.

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

Notch 4 siRNA (m) is recommended for the inhibition of Notch 4 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.

GENE EXPRESSION MONITORING

Notch 4 (A-12): sc-393893 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of Notch 4 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 Notch 4 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: Notch 4 (m)-PR: sc-40138-PR (20 μ l, 598 bp). Annealing temperature for the primers should be 55-60° C and the extension temperature should be 68-72° C.

SELECT PRODUCT CITATIONS

1. Wang, Z., et al. 2011. Activated K-ras and INK4a/Arf deficiency cooperate during the development of pancreatic cancer by activation of Notch and NF κ B signaling pathways. *PLoS ONE* 6: e20537.

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.