



karyopherin α 1 siRNA (m): sc-41278

BACKGROUND

Protein transport across the nucleus is a selective, multi-step process involving several cytoplasmic factors. Proteins must be recognized as import substrates, dock at the nuclear pore complex and translocate across the nuclear envelope in an ATP-dependent fashion. Two cytosolic factors centrally involved in the recognition and docking process are the karyopherin α 1 and karyopherin β 1 subunits. Karyopherin α 1 functions in the recognition and targeting of substrates destined for nuclear import, while karyopherin β 1 serves as an adapter, tethering the karyopherin α 1/substrate complex to docking proteins on the nuclear envelope termed nucleoporins. Karyopherin α 2 has been shown to complex with Epstein-Barr virus nuclear antigen 1 (EBNA1). Certain RNA-binding proteins are imported to the nucleus by karyopherin β 2, and karyopherin β 3 appears to be involved in the import of some ribosomal proteins.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: Kpna1 (mouse) mapping to 16 B3.

PRODUCT

karyopherin α 1 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 karyopherin α 1 shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-41278-SH and karyopherin α 1 shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-41278-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of karyopherin α 1 (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-41278A, sc-41278B and sc-41278C.

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

karyopherin α 1 siRNA (m) is recommended for the inhibition of karyopherin α 1 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

karyopherin α 1/6 (2D9): sc-101540 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of karyopherin α 1 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).

RT-PCR REAGENTS

Semi-quantitative RT-PCR may be performed to monitor karyopherin α 1 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: karyopherin α 1 (m)-PR: sc-41278-PR (20 μ l). Annealing temperature for the primers should be 55-60° C and the extension temperature should be 68-72° C.

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.