

# $\gamma$ -GCSc siRNA (m): sc-41979

## BACKGROUND

The GLCLC gene consists of 16 exons and encodes the 636 amino acid protein  $\gamma$ -GCSc ( $\gamma$ -glutamylcysteine synthetase heavy subunit), also designated  $\gamma$ -L-glutamate-L-cysteine ligase catalytic subunit (GLCLC).  $\gamma$ -GCSc is expressed in hemocytes, brain, liver and kidney.  $\gamma$ -GCSc associates with a regulatory or modifier subunit,  $\gamma$ -GCScm ( $\gamma$ -glutamylcysteine synthetase light subunit), to form a heterodimer,  $\gamma$ -GCS.  $\gamma$ -GCS is the first enzyme involved and the rate determining step in glutathione biosynthesis. Oxidants, cadmium and methylmercury upregulate the transcription of  $\gamma$ -GCS.  $H_2O_2$  regulation depends on the Yap1 protein and the presence of glutamate, glutamine and lysine. Cadmium regulates transcription through proteins Met-4, Met-31 and Met-32. Cbf1, a DNA binding protein, inhibits transcription of  $\gamma$ -GCS. Chemopreventive compounds cause increased levels of  $\gamma$ -GCSc in kidney tissues, which may protect against chemically induced carcinogenesis. A His370Leu amino acid change in  $\gamma$ -GCSc causes deficiencies in activity which are responsible for hemolytic anemia and low red blood cell glutathione levels.

## REFERENCES

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: *Gclc* (mouse) mapping to 9 E1.

## PRODUCT

$\gamma$ -GCSc 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  $\mu$ M solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections. Also see  $\gamma$ -GCSc shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-41979-SH and  $\gamma$ -GCSc shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-41979-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of  $\gamma$ -GCSc (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-41979A, sc-41979B and sc-41979C.

## STORAGE AND RESUSPENSION

Store lyophilized siRNA duplex at  $-20^\circ\text{C}$  with desiccant. Stable for at least one year from the date of shipment. Once resuspended, store at  $-20^\circ\text{C}$ , 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

$\gamma$ -GCSc siRNA (m) is recommended for the inhibition of  $\gamma$ -GCSc 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  $\mu$ 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

$\gamma$ -GCSc (H-5): sc-390811 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of  $\gamma$ -GCSc 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<sup>™</sup> Molecular Weight Standards: sc-2035, UltraCruz<sup>®</sup> 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<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  $\gamma$ -GCSc gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer:  $\gamma$ -GCSc (m)-PR: sc-41979-PR (20  $\mu$ l). Annealing temperature for the primers should be  $55-60^\circ\text{C}$  and the extension temperature should be  $68-72^\circ\text{C}$ .

## SELECT PRODUCT CITATIONS

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## RESEARCH USE

For research use only, not for use in diagnostic procedures.