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# Munc13-1 siRNA (m): sc-42021

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## BACKGROUND

Munc13 proteins (Munc13-1, Munc13-2, and Munc13-3) make up a family of highly homologous synaptic molecules that bind Syntaxin, an essential mediator of neurotransmitter release. Munc13 proteins contain phorbol ester binding C1- and C2-domains, which are regulatory domains for $Ca^{2+}$, phospholipids and diacylglycerol. Munc13 proteins are primarily expressed by neurons, except for a ubiquitously expressed Munc13-2 splice variant. Munc13-1 is expressed by most neurons; it interacts with the N-terminal of Doc2α, which is concentrated on the synaptic vesicle. Munc13-1 also interacts directly with msec7-1 to co-localize the two proteins at the active zone, a presynaptic, subcellular compartment with extremely high membrane turnover. Munc13-1 is essential for synaptic vesicle maturation and plays a role in the central priming function in synaptic vesicle exocytosis from glutamatergic synapses. Munc13-1 is concentrated in presynaptic terminals. Munc13-2 is expressed in rostral regions, whereas Munc13-3 is expressed primarily in the cerebellum.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: Unc13a (mouse) mapping to 8 B3.3.

## PRODUCT

Munc13-1 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 µM solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections. Also see Munc13-1 shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-42021-SH and Munc13-1 shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-42021-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of Munc13-1 (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-42021A, sc-42021B and sc-42021C.

## 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 µl of the RNAse-free water provided. Resuspension of the siRNA duplex in 330 µl of RNAse-free water makes a 10 µM solution in a 10 µM Tris-HCl, pH 8.0, 20 mM NaCl, 1 mM EDTA buffered solution.

## APPLICATIONS

Munc13-1 siRNA (m) is recommended for the inhibition of Munc13-1 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 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

Munc13-1/2/3 (32): sc-136182 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of Munc13-1 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).

To ensure optimal results, the following support reagents are recommended: 1) Western Blotting: use m-IgGκ BP-HRP: sc-516102 or m-IgGκ 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-IgGκ BP-FITC: sc-516140 or m-IgGκ 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 Munc13-1 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: Munc13-1 (m)-PR: sc-42021-PR (20 µl). 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.