

# Rae-1 $\beta$ siRNA (m): sc-42953

## BACKGROUND

Natural killer (NK) cells attack tumor and infected cells, but the receptors and ligands that stimulate them are poorly understood. Two murine ligands for the lectin-like receptor NKG2-D, H60 and retinoic acid early inducible (Rae-1 $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$ ,  $\delta$  and  $\epsilon$ ), are distant relatives of major histocompatibility complex class I molecules. These molecules are encoded by Rae-1 and H60 minor histocompatibility antigen genes on mouse chromosome 10 and show weak homology with MHC class I. Expression of the NKG2-D ligands is low or absent on normal adult tissues; however, they are constitutively expressed on some tumors and upregulated by retinoic acid. Ectopic expression of Rae-1 and H60 confers target susceptibility to NK cell attack. NKG2-D binds to H60 with approximately 25-fold higher affinity than to Rae-1. Rae-1 and H60 compete directly for occupancy of NKG2-D; therefore, NKG2-D can be occupied by only one ligand at a time. Additionally, Rae-1 and H60 ligands of the NKG2-D receptor stimulate tumor immunity.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: Raet1b (mouse) mapping to 10 A3.

## PRODUCT

Rae-1 $\beta$  siRNA (m) is a target-specific 19-25 nt siRNA 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 Rae-1 $\beta$  shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-42953-SH and Rae-1 $\beta$  shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-42953-V as alternate gene silencing products.

## 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

Rae-1 $\beta$  siRNA (m) is recommended for the inhibition of Rae-1 $\beta$  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.

## RT-PCR REAGENTS

Semi-quantitative RT-PCR may be performed to monitor Rae-1 $\beta$  gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: Rae-1 $\beta$  (m)-PR: sc-42953-PR (20  $\mu$ 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

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