



Pre-TCR α siRNA (h): sc-44040

BACKGROUND

Maturation of cytotoxic T lymphocytes is mediated in part by a structure on the T cell surface known as the T cell antigen receptor (TCR) complex. The pre-TCR complex consists of pre-TCR α , pre-TCR β and CD3, which together help coordinate early thymocyte development. Pre-TCR α chain is a type I transmembrane glycoprotein with an extracellular region similar to the constant domain of the immunoglobulin supergene family. Notch3 transgenic mice lacking pre-TCR α inhibits tumor development. In humans, acute lymphoblastic leukemias (ALL) in remission have lower transcript levels of Notch3, HES-1 and pre-TCR α transcripts α and β relative to proliferating ALLs. The human pre-TCR α gene is expressed in immature T cells and maps to chromosome 6p21.3.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: PTCRA (human) mapping to 6p21.1.

PRODUCT

Pre-TCR α siRNA (h) 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 μ M solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections. Also see Pre-TCR α shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-44040-SH and Pre-TCR α shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-44040-V as alternate gene silencing products.

PROTOCOLS

See our web site at www.scbt.com for detailed protocols and support 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 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

Pre-TCR α siRNA (h) is recommended for the inhibition of Pre-TCR α expression in human 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.

RT-PCR REAGENTS

Semi-quantitative RT-PCR may be performed to monitor Pre-TCR α gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: Pre-TCR α (h)-PR: sc-44040-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.