# MRCKβ siRNA (h): sc-60064



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#### **BACKGROUND**

Protein kinases comprise a large group of encoded factors that regulate cellular processes by catalyzing the transfer of a phosphate group to a hydroxyl acceptor in serine, threonine or tyrosine residues. Myotonic dystrophy kinase-related Cdc42-binding (DMPK-like) kinases  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  (MRCK $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ) are approximately 180 kDa in size and contain a cysteine-rich motif and a putative pleckstrin homology domain. MRCKs can phosphorylate nonmuscle Myosin light chain and influence Actin-Myosin contractility. MRCK $\alpha$  can phosphorylate and activate LIM kinases downstream of Cdc42, which leads to inactivation of ADF/cofilin and Actin cytoskeletal reorganization. MRCK $\alpha$  can also influence neurite outgrowth promoted by Cdc42 and Rac.

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### CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: CDC42BPB (human) mapping to 14q32.32.

## **PRODUCT**

MRCK $\beta$  siRNA (h) 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 MRCK $\beta$  shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-60064-SH and MRCK $\beta$  shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-60064-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of MRCK $\beta$  (h) gene silencing results, we also provide the individual siRNA duplex components. Each is available as 3.3 nmol of lyophilized siRNA. These include: sc-60064A, sc-60064B and sc-60064C.

# STORAGE AND RESUSPENSION

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

MRCK $\beta$  siRNA (h) is recommended for the inhibition of MRCK $\beta$  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 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**

MRCK $\beta$  (C-12): sc-374597 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of MRCK $\beta$  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-lgG $\kappa$  BP-HRP: sc-516102 or m-lgG $\kappa$  BP-HRP (Cruz Marker): sc-516102-CM (dilution range: 1:1000-1:10000), Cruz Marker<sup>TM</sup> Molecular Weight Standards: sc-2035, UltraCruz<sup>®</sup> Blocking Reagent: sc-516214 and Western Blotting Luminol Reagent: sc-2048. 2) Immunofluorescence: use m-lgG $\kappa$  BP-FITC: sc-516140 or m-lgG $\kappa$  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 MRCK $\beta$  gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: MRCK $\beta$  (h)-PR: sc-60064-PR (20  $\mu$ l). Annealing temperature for the primers should be 55-60° C and the extension temperature should be 68-72° C.

### **SELECT PRODUCT CITATIONS**

 Dixit, P., et al. 2021. Helicobacter pylori-induced gastric cancer is orchestrated by MRCKβ-mediated Siah2 phosphorylation. J. Biomed. Sci. 28: 12.

### **RESEARCH USE**

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

#### **PROTOCOLS**

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