



AF-4 siRNA (h): sc-60131

BACKGROUND

Proto-oncogene AF-4 (or FEL) is a product of a chromosomal aberration of the human gene AFF1, which is associated with acute leukemias. The fusion of AF-4 on chromosome band 4q21.3 with the mixed lineage leukemia (MLL or HRX) gene on 11q23.3 results in a MLL-AF-4 chimeric transcription factor in which AF-4 contributes transcriptional effector properties and requires cell-specific accessory factors. MLL is involved in several chromosomal translocations associated with acute myeloid and lymphoid leukemia. The MLL-AF-4 fusion protein is expressed in all normal hematopoietic cells. The expression of MLL-AF-4 influences the production of protein cyclin-dependent kinase inhibitor (CDKN1B), suggesting that inhibition of MLL-AF-4 expression may be a powerful and highly specific treatment of chemotherapy-resistant leukemia.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: AFF1 (human) mapping to 4q21.3.

PRODUCT

AF-4 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 μ M solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections. Also see AF-4 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-60131-SH and AF-4 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-60131-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of AF-4 (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-60131A, sc-60131B and sc-60131C.

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

AF-4 siRNA (h) is recommended for the inhibition of AF-4 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 AF-4 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: AF-4 (h)-PR: sc-60131-PR (20 μ l). Annealing temperature for the primers should be 55-60° C and the extension temperature should be 68-72° C.

SELECT PRODUCT CITATIONS

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RESEARCH USE

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

PROTOCOLS

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