



# Bex1 siRNA (h): sc-60269

## BACKGROUND

The brain-expressed X-linked (Bex) family of proteins is expressed in the central nervous system, with highest levels detected in cerebellum, temporal lobe and pituitary tissues. Bex1 plays an important role in neuronal differentiation in response to nerve growth factor (NGF), as well as in cell cycle progression. Bex1 is a highly ubiquitinated protein and acts as a link between the cell cycle and neurotrophic factor signaling. The Bex1 gene is initially transcribed at the two-cell stage and is transiently induced at the eight-cell stage. At the blastocyst stage, it again increases in transcription, finally decreasing in the late blastocyst stage. Bex1 is widely expressed outside of the central nervous system with high expression in the liver. Bex1 and Bex2 shuttle between the cytoplasm and the nucleus. Though the role of Bex1 is largely unknown, it may function by coordinating internal cellular states with the ability of cells to respond to external signals.

## REFERENCES

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: BEX1 (human) mapping to Xq22.1.

## PRODUCT

Bex1 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 Bex1 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-60269-SH and Bex1 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-60269-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of Bex1 (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-60269A, sc-60269B and sc-60269C.

## 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

Bex1 siRNA (h) is recommended for the inhibition of Bex1 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  $\mu$ 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.

## GENE EXPRESSION MONITORING

Bex1/2 (D-6): sc-376342 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of Bex1 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-IgG $\kappa$  BP-HRP: sc-516102 or m-IgG $\kappa$  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-IgG $\kappa$  BP-FITC: sc-516140 or m-IgG $\kappa$  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 Bex1 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: Bex1 (h)-PR: sc-60269-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

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## RESEARCH USE

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

## PROTOCOLS

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