

DISC-1 siRNA (m): sc-60540

BACKGROUND

The "disrupted in schizophrenia" gene locus DISC is associated with patients afflicted with schizophrenia as a result of chromosomal translocations. DISC-1 encodes a large protein predicted to contain a globular N-terminal domain and a helical C-terminal domain, both of which have the potential to form interactions with other proteins. DISC-1 interacts with proteins involved in the centrosome and cytoskeletal system, including MIPT3, MAP1A and nudel; proteins which localize receptors to membranes, including α -actinin-2 and spectrin β IV; and proteins which transduce signals from membrane receptors, including ATF-4 and ATF-5. Therefore, DISC-1 is thought to be involved in intracellular transport, neurite architecture and/or neuronal migration, all of which are thought to be pathogenic in the schizophrenic brain. DISC-1 localizes to the nucleus, whereas mutant DISC-1 localization occurs mainly in the cytoplasm.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: Disc1 (mouse) mapping to 8 E2.

PRODUCT

DISC-1 siRNA (m) 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 DISC-1 shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-60540-SH and DISC-1 shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-60540-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of DISC-1 (m) gene silencing results, we also provide the individual siRNA duplex components. Each is available as 3.3 nmol of lyophilized siRNA. These include: sc-60540A, sc-60540B and sc-60540C.

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

DISC-1 siRNA (m) is recommended for the inhibition of DISC-1 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 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.

GENE EXPRESSION MONITORING

DISC-1 (B-2): sc-365591 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of DISC-1 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 κ BP-HRP: sc-516102 or m-IgG κ BP-HRP (Cruz Marker): sc-516102-CM (dilution range: 1:1000-1:10000), Cruz MarkerTM Molecular Weight Standards: sc-2035, UltraCruz[®] Blocking Reagent: sc-516214 and Western Blotting Luminol Reagent: sc-2048. 2) Immunofluorescence: use m-IgG κ BP-FITC: sc-516140 or m-IgG κ 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 DISC-1 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: DISC-1 (m)-PR: sc-60540-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.

PROTOCOLS

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