



## MC-CPA siRNA (m): sc-60995

### BACKGROUND

Carboxypeptidase A (CPA) is a pancreatic exopeptidase which hydrolyses the peptide bond adjacent to the C-terminal end in polypeptide chains. Mast cell carboxypeptidase A (MC-CPA), a part of the peptidase M14 family, is a highly conserved metalloprotease localized to the secretory granules, along with tryptases and chymases. MC-CPA is stored as an active enzyme in the granule and is released, along with other inflammatory mediators, upon mast cell degranulation. MC-CPA mirrors pancreatic carboxypeptidase A in cleaving COOH-terminal aromatic and aliphatic amino acid residues. The optimum pH of MC-CPA is between neutral and basic, depending upon the substrate. The MC-CPA gene, CPA3, resides on chromosome 3q24 and contains 11 exons.

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### CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: Cpa3 (mouse) mapping to 3 A2.

### PRODUCT

MC-CPA 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  $\mu$ M solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections. Also see MC-CPA shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-60995-SH and MC-CPA shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-60995-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of MC-CPA (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-60995A, sc-60995B and sc-60995C.

### 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

MC-CPA siRNA (m) is recommended for the inhibition of MC-CPA 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  $\mu$ 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.

### RT-PCR REAGENTS

Semi-quantitative RT-PCR may be performed to monitor MC-CPA gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: MC-CPA (m)-PR: sc-60995-PR (20  $\mu$ 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](http://www.scbt.com) for detailed protocols and support products.