

# Napsin A siRNA (m): sc-61153

## BACKGROUND

Napsin A is an aspartic proteinase that belongs to the peptidase A1 family and plays a role in pneumocyte surfactant processing. It is a 420-amino acid polypeptide consisting of a 24-residue signal peptide, a 40-amino acid propeptide, the mature enzyme of 336 amino acids, and a C-terminal extension of 18 residues. The mature Napsin A protein contains 3 predicted disulfide bonds, 3 potential N-linked oligosaccharide attachment sites, an RGD motif, a recognition motif for integrin binding, in the C terminus, immediately before a 4-amino acid insert that is unique to aspartic proteinases. Highest levels of Napsin A have been detected in adult lung (type II pneumocytes), fetal lung, and kidney tissues. Napsin A is also expressed at lower levels in adult spleen and at very low levels in peripheral blood leukocytes. Human napsin A shares 72.6% sequence identity with the mouse homolog.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: Napsa (mouse) mapping to 7 B4.

## PRODUCT

Napsin A 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 Napsin A shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-61153-SH and Napsin A shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-61153-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of Napsin A (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-61153A, sc-61153B and sc-61153C.

## PROTOCOLS

See our web site at [www.scbt.com](http://www.scbt.com) for detailed protocols and support products.

## 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

Napsin A siRNA (m) is recommended for the inhibition of Napsin A 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.

## GENE EXPRESSION MONITORING

Napsin A (10C4B8): sc-517223 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of Napsin A 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).

## RT-PCR REAGENTS

Semi-quantitative RT-PCR may be performed to monitor Napsin A gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: Napsin A (m)-PR: sc-61153-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.