

SR-3B siRNA (m): sc-61613

BACKGROUND

Serotonin is a molecule that functions as a neurotransmitter, a hormone and a mitogen, and it modulates several processes including psychiatric disorders, cardiovascular function and motility of the gastrointestinal tract. Serotonin receptors (also designated 5-hydroxytryptamine or 5-HT receptors) are members of the G protein-coupled receptor family that mediate the effects of serotonin. The serotonin receptors (alternatively designated SR) include SR-1, SR-2, SR-3, SR-4, SR-5, SR-6 and SR-7. The SR-1 receptors are subdivided into SR-1A, B, C, D, E and F receptors, while the SR-2 receptors comprise three subtypes: SR-2A, B and C. SR-3 is divided into SR-3A and SR-3B, a 441 amino acid protein with 41% sequence homology to SR-3A. SR-3B is responsible for fast, depolarizing responses in neurons after activation. The SR-3B protein is expressed in kidney and brain, specifically in hippocampus, thalamus and caudate nucleus, and particularly in amygdala. No expression of SR-3B is detected in heart, placenta, lung, liver, skeletal muscle or pancreas.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: Htr3b (mouse) mapping to 9 A5.3.

PRODUCT

SR-3B 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 SR-3B shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-61613-SH and SR-3B shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-61613-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of SR-3B (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-61613A, sc-61613B and sc-61613C.

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

SR-3B siRNA (m) is recommended for the inhibition of SR-3B 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

SR-3B (H-9): sc-390642 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of SR-3B 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 Marker[™] 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 SR-3B gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: SR-3B (m)-PR: sc-61613-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.