

## VILIP-2 siRNA (h): sc-61790

### BACKGROUND

The Visinin-like proteins, VILIP-1, VILIP-2 and VILIP-3, belong to a family of neuronal  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  sensor (NCS) proteins conserved from yeast to human. The NCS family is divided into 5 subfamilies, consisting of about 40 family members in total. Group III represents the VILIP family and includes hippocalcin and neurocalcin- $\delta$ , along with VILIP-1-3. Visinin-like protein-2 (VILIP-2), also designated hippocalcin like-4 (HPCAL4), is a CaM-related  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ -binding protein expressed in the neocortex and hippocampus. VILIP-2 is highly similar to human hippocalcin protein and hippocalcin like-1 protein as well as rat neural visinin-like  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ -binding protein-type 1 and 2 proteins. VILIP-2 may be involved in the  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ -dependent regulation of rhodopsin phosphorylation and may bind to two or three  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  ions. The VILIP-2 protein contains four EF-hand domains. The gene which encodes for the VILIP-2 protein, HPCAL4, maps to chromosome 1p34.2 and the transcript of this gene has multiple polyadenylation sites.

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### CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: HPCAL4 (human) mapping to 1p34.2.

### PRODUCT

VILIP-2 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  $\mu\text{M}$  solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections. Also see VILIP-2 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-61790-SH and VILIP-2 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-61790-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of VILIP-2 (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-61790A, sc-61790B and sc-61790C.

### 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  $-20^\circ\text{C}$  with desiccant. Stable for at least one year from the date of shipment. Once resuspended, store at  $-20^\circ\text{C}$ , avoid contact with RNases and repeated freeze thaw cycles.

Resuspend lyophilized siRNA duplex in 330  $\mu\text{l}$  of the RNase-free water provided. Resuspension of the siRNA duplex in 330  $\mu\text{l}$  of RNase-free water makes a 10  $\mu\text{M}$  solution in a 10  $\mu\text{M}$  Tris-HCl, pH 8.0, 20 mM NaCl, 1 mM EDTA buffered solution.

### APPLICATIONS

VILIP-2 siRNA (h) is recommended for the inhibition of VILIP-2 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  $\mu\text{M}$  in 66  $\mu\text{l}$ . 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

VILIP-2 (11B10): sc-135603 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of VILIP-2 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<sup>™</sup> Molecular Weight Standards: sc-2035, UltraCruz<sup>®</sup> 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<sup>®</sup> Mounting Medium: sc-24941 or UltraCruz<sup>®</sup> Hard-set Mounting Medium: sc-359850.

### RT-PCR REAGENTS

Semi-quantitative RT-PCR may be performed to monitor VILIP-2 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: VILIP-2 (h)-PR: sc-61790-PR (20  $\mu\text{l}$ ). Annealing temperature for the primers should be  $55-60^\circ\text{C}$  and the extension temperature should be  $68-72^\circ\text{C}$ .

### RESEARCH USE

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