

CAPS-2 siRNA (h): sc-62078

BACKGROUND

Calcium-dependent secretion activators (CAPS-1 and CAPS-2) are calcium-binding proteins that direct neurotransmitter and neuropeptide-filled vesicles to the cell membrane for secretory granule exocytosis. Both CAPS-1 and CAPS-2 are expressed primarily in the brain where they regulate the secretion of various substances. The CAPS proteins contain a PH domain that is essential for regulation of exocytosis, as well as regulation of phospholipid binding. Through their regulation of neurotrophin release from granule cells, CAPS proteins help to regulate cell fate during neuronal development. CAPS-1 is thought to regulate catecholamine release from neuronal cells, while CAPS-2 is thought to regulate release of both brain-derived neurotrophic factor (BDNF) and neurotrophin-3 (NT-3) from granule cells. Defects in the genes encoding CAPS-1 and CAPS-2 are implicated in impaired cerebral development and autism.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: CAPS2 (human) mapping to 7q31.32.

PRODUCT

CAPS-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 μM solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections. Also see CAPS-2 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-62078-SH and CAPS-2 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-62078-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of CAPS-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-62078A, sc-62078B and sc-62078C.

RESEARCH USE

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

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 μl of the RNase-free water provided. Resuspension of the siRNA duplex in 330 μl of RNase-free water makes a 10 μM solution in a 10 μM Tris-HCl, pH 8.0, 20 mM NaCl, 1 mM EDTA buffered solution.

APPLICATIONS

CAPS-2 siRNA (h) is recommended for the inhibition of CAPS-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 μM in 66 μl . 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 CAPS-2 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: CAPS-2 (h)-PR: sc-62078-PR (20 μl). Annealing temperature for the primers should be $55-60^{\circ}\text{C}$ and the extension temperature should be $68-72^{\circ}\text{C}$.

PROTOCOLS

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