

COQ10A siRNA (h): sc-62140

BACKGROUND

COQ10A, Coenzyme Q10, is a 247 amino acid protein encoded by the human gene COQ10A. COQ10A is a mitochondrial protein that belongs to the COQ10 family. COQ10A is an essential biological cofactor which increases brain mitochondrial concentration and exerts neuroprotective effects. Plasma COQ10A levels decrease in patients with advanced chronic heart failure (CHF) while COQ10A levels in hyperthyroid patients are found among the lowest detected in human diseases. Likewise, COQ10A is elevated in hypothyroid subjects, also in subclinical conditions, suggesting the usefulness of this index in assessing metabolic status in thyroid disorders. It is believed that secretion of adrenal hormones is in some way related to COQ10A levels, both in augmented and reduced conditions. However, since thyroid hormones have an important role in modulating COQ10A levels and metabolism, when coexistent, thyroid deficiency seems to play a prevalent role in comparison with adrenal deficiency.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: COQ10A (human) mapping to 12q13.3.

PRODUCT

COQ10A 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 μ M solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections. Also see COQ10A shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-62140-SH and COQ10A shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-62140-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of COQ10A (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-62140A, sc-62140B and sc-62140C.

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

COQ10A siRNA (h) is recommended for the inhibition of COQ10A 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 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.

RT-PCR REAGENTS

Semi-quantitative RT-PCR may be performed to monitor COQ10A gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: COQ10A (h)-PR: sc-62140-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.