



Epilysin siRNA (m): sc-62279

BACKGROUND

Epilysin, also known as matrix metalloproteinase-28 (MMP-28), is a secreted protein that belongs to the peptidase M10A family. Matrix metalloproteinase proteins are responsible for the breakdown of the extracellular matrix which is important for normal physiological processes such as tissue remodeling, reproduction and embryonic development. Epilysin is produced by proliferating keratinocytes and is responsible for mediating the degradation of casein. Its expression is upregulated in response to injury of the skin suggesting that Epilysin may be involved in tissue repair and homeostasis. In addition, Epilysin may function predominantly in the nervous system. Incubation of Epilysin with rat embryonic brain tissue results in the degradation of myelin proteins. In *Xenopus*, Epilysin localizes to nerves and is upregulated during neurulation. This suggests that Epilysin plays an evolutionarily conserved role in neural development and may be involved in modulating the axonal-glial extracellular environment.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: Mmp28 (mouse) mapping to 11 C.

PRODUCT

Epilysin 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 Epilysin shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-62279-SH and Epilysin shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-62279-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of Epilysin (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-62279A, sc-62279B and sc-62279C.

PROTOCOLS

See our web site at 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 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

Epilysin siRNA (m) is recommended for the inhibition of Epilysin 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.

RT-PCR REAGENTS

Semi-quantitative RT-PCR may be performed to monitor Epilysin gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: Epilysin (m)-PR: sc-62279-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.