

Tβ-15a siRNA (h): sc-62664

BACKGROUND

β-thymosins are a family of small, water-soluble peptides. They are molecules with multiple and diverse intracellular and extracellular functions. β-thymosins are known for binding G-Actin and disturbing the assembly of F-Actin. Tβ-15a (TMSB15A), also designated neuroblastoma thymosin β (NB Tβ), or thymosin-like protein 8, is significantly similar to its family members thymosin-β15b (Tβ-15b), thymosin-β4 (Tβ-4) and thymosin-β10 (Tβ-10). Tβ-15a is a 44 amino acid protein expressed in neuroblastomas that localizes to the cytoplasm. It interacts with G-Actin and is involved in tissue invasion, cell growth and cell motility. Interference of Tβ-15a expression has been shown to decrease cell invasion. Tβ-15a may play a role in tumor development and progression. A newly described isoform of thymosin-β15, Tβ-15b is transcribed from a different gene (TMSB15B) and encodes a protein identical to Tβ-15a. The two gene isoforms are subject to different transcriptional regulation and have distinct expression.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: TMSB15A (human) mapping to Xq22.1.

PRODUCT

Tβ-15a 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 Tβ-15a shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-62664-SH and Tβ-15a shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-62664-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of Tβ-15a (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-62664A, sc-62664B and sc-62664C.

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

Tβ-15a siRNA (h) is recommended for the inhibition of Tβ-15a 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.

GENE EXPRESSION MONITORING

Tβ-15a/b (B-4): sc-271649 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of Tβ-15a 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-IgGκ BP-HRP: sc-516102 or m-IgGκ 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-IgGκ BP-FITC: sc-516140 or m-IgGκ 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 Tβ-15a gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: Tβ-15a (h)-PR: sc-62664-PR (20 μl). 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.