

QAPRTase siRNA (m): sc-62915

BACKGROUND

Quinolinate phosphoribosyltransferase (QPRTase) is a major enzyme in the catabolism of quinolinate. Quinolinate is an intermediate in the tryptophan-nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide (NAD) pathway, leading to the production of nicotinic acid, carbon dioxide, and pyrophosphate. Catabolism of quinolinate is vital due to the quinolinate's neurotoxicity. Increased levels of quinolinate have been linked to neurodegenerative symptoms associated with meningitis and AIDS. QAPRTase has a seven-stranded α/β -barrel domain which is similar in structure to the eight-stranded α/β -barrel enzymes. The protein possesses a novel fold in comparison to other members of the PRTase family. This fold comprises a structure combining two domains. The structure is part α/β barrel-like domain, and part α/β N-terminal domain.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: Qprt (mouse) mapping to 7 F3.

PRODUCT

QAPRTase 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 QAPRTase shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-62915-SH and QAPRTase shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-62915-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of QAPRTase (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-62915A, sc-62915B and sc-62915C.

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

QAPRTase siRNA (m) is recommended for the inhibition of QAPRTase 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 QAPRTase gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: QAPRTase (m)-PR: sc-62915-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.