# TRAP- $\alpha$ siRNA (m): sc-63154



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### **BACKGROUND**

The TRAP proteins (translocon-associated proteins), TRAP- $\alpha$ , TRAP- $\beta$ , TRAP- $\gamma$  and TRAP- $\delta$ , are transmembrane proteins that comprise a heterotetramer complex (the signal sequence receptor (SSR) or TRAP complex) that localizes to the endoplasmic reticulum (ER) and functions in regulating the retention of ER resident proteins. The TRAP complex associates with the Sec61 translocon at the ER. Sec61 is the major complex mediating protein translocation across the ER membrane. In addition, the TRAP complex is involved in ER-associated degradation (ERAD); in response to ER stress the TRAP complex subunits are simultaneously induced by the XBP-1/IRE1 $\alpha$  pathway. TRAP- $\alpha$  (also known as SSR1 or SSR- $\alpha$ ), TRAP- $\beta$  (also known as SSR- $\beta$ , SSR2 or TLAP) and TRAP- $\delta$  (also known as SSR4) are all single-pass membrane proteins, while TRAP- $\gamma$  (also known as SSR3 or SSR- $\gamma$ ) contains four transmembrane domains.

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### CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: Ssr1 (mouse) mapping to 13 A3.3.

## **PRODUCT**

TRAP- $\alpha$  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  $\mu$ M solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections. Also see TRAP- $\alpha$  shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-63154-SH and TRAP- $\alpha$  shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-63154-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of TRAP- $\alpha$  (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-63154A, sc-63154B and sc-63154C.

#### 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  $\mu$ l of the RNAse-free water provided. Resuspension of the siRNA duplex in 330  $\mu$ l of RNAse-free water makes a 10  $\mu$ M solution in a 10  $\mu$ M Tris-HCl, pH 8.0, 20 mM NaCl, 1 mM EDTA buffered solution.

### **APPLICATIONS**

TRAP- $\alpha$  siRNA (m) is recommended for the inhibition of TRAP- $\alpha$  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 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**

TRAP- $\alpha$  (C-8): sc-373916 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of TRAP- $\alpha$  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-lgG $\kappa$  BP-HRP: sc-516102 or m-lgG $\kappa$  BP-HRP (Cruz Marker): sc-516102-CM (dilution range: 1:1000-1:10000), Cruz Marker<sup>TM</sup> Molecular Weight Standards: sc-2035, UltraCruz<sup>®</sup> Blocking Reagent: sc-516214 and Western Blotting Luminol Reagent: sc-2048. 2) Immunofluorescence: use m-lgG $\kappa$  BP-FITC: sc-516140 or m-lgG $\kappa$  BP-PE: sc-516141 (dilution range: 1:50-1:200) with UltraCruz<sup>®</sup> Mounting Medium: sc-24941 or UltraCruz<sup>®</sup> Hard-set Mounting Medium: sc-359850.

# **RT-PCR REAGENTS**

Semi-quantitative RT-PCR may be performed to monitor TRAP- $\alpha$  gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: TRAP- $\alpha$  (m)-PR: sc-63154-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.