

ZHX2 siRNA (h): sc-63245

BACKGROUND

Zinc-fingers and homeobox (ZHX) proteins are transcription factors that interact with the activation domain of the A subunit of nuclear factor-Y (NF-YA). ZHX1-3 are ubiquitously expressed proteins expressed in various tissues. They act as transcriptional repressors and localize to the nucleus. The ZHX proteins contain two Cys₂-His₂-type zinc-finger motifs and five homeodomains (HDs). These domains allow the ZHX proteins to form homodimers, but they can also form heterodimers with each other. However, this dimerization is not required for repressor activity. Hypermethylation-mediated silencing of ZHX2 is an epigenetic event involved in hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC).

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: ZHX2 (human) mapping to 8q24.13.

PRODUCT

ZHX2 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 ZHX2 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-63245-SH and ZHX2 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-63245-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of ZHX2 (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-63245A, sc-63245B and sc-63245C.

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

ZHX2 siRNA (h) is recommended for the inhibition of ZHX2 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.

GENE EXPRESSION MONITORING

ZHX2 (D-2): sc-393399 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of ZHX2 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-IgG κ BP-HRP: sc-516102 or m-IgG κ 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-IgG κ BP-FITC: sc-516140 or m-IgG κ 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 ZHX2 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: ZHX2 (h)-PR: sc-63245-PR (20 μ l, 569 bp). 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.