

## LMX1A siRNA (h): sc-72343

### BACKGROUND

LMX1A, also called LMX-1.1 or LIM homeobox transcription factor 1  $\alpha$ , belongs to the LIM-homeodomain family. Members of this family are known to be important for pattern formation during development. LMX1A functions in the nucleus as a transcriptional activator to the Insulin gene promoter. In the developing embryo, LMX1A is expressed along the neuraxis and leads to the development of the roof plate of the vertebrae. Two isoforms of LMX1A exist due to alternative splicing. Isoform 1 represents the full length protein and is expressed in many tissues including fetal brain, but is absent in heart, liver, spleen and testis. The second isoform, designated LMX1A-4AB, lacks amino acids 1-249 and is expressed in testis.

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### CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: LMX1A (human) mapping to 1q23.3.

### PRODUCT

LMX1A 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  $\mu$ M solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections. Also see LMX1A shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-72343-SH and LMX1A shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-72343-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of LMX1A (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-72343A, sc-72343B and sc-72343C.

### PROTOCOLS

See our web site at [www.scbt.com](http://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  $\mu$ 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

LMX1A siRNA (h) is recommended for the inhibition of LMX1A 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  $\mu$ M in 66  $\mu$ 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 LMX1A gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: LMX1A (h)-PR: sc-72343-PR (20  $\mu$ 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.