

Pygopus 2 siRNA (h): sc-76303

BACKGROUND

Pygopus 2, also known as PYGO2, is a 406 amino acid protein that is the human homolog of the *Drosophila* Pygopus protein. Localized to the nucleus, Pygopus 2 contains one PHD finger that interacts with the homology domain of the Wnt signaling protein Bcl-9. This interaction joins Pygopus 2 with the β -catenin/TCF complex (a crucial complex in Wnt signaling), thereby allowing β -catenin to transcriptionally activate Wnt target genes. Association of Pygopus 2 with proteins involved in the Wnt signaling pathway is thought to regulate proper signal transduction, as absence of the Pygopus 2/ β -catenin interaction may play a role in development of B cell malignancies. In addition, Pygopus 2 expression is upregulated in and required for the growth of breast cancer cells, suggesting a crucial role in carcinogenesis.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: PYGO2 (human) mapping to 1q21.3.

PRODUCT

Pygopus 2 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 Pygopus 2 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-76303-SH and Pygopus 2 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-76303-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of Pygopus 2 (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-76303A, sc-76303B and sc-76303C.

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

Pygopus 2 siRNA (h) is recommended for the inhibition of Pygopus 2 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

Pygopus 2 (B-12): sc-390506 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of Pygopus 2 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 Pygopus 2 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: Pygopus 2 (h)-PR: sc-76303-PR (20 μ l). Annealing temperature for the primers should be 55-60° C and the extension temperature should be 68-72° C.

SELECT PRODUCT CITATIONS

1. Chen, J., et al. 2010. PYGO2 associates with MLL2 histone methyltransferase and GCN5 histone acetyltransferase complexes to augment Wnt target gene expression and breast cancer stem-like cell expansion. *Mol. Cell. Biol.* 30: 5621-5635.

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.