



# QP-C siRNA (m): sc-76306

## BACKGROUND

Cytochrome c is a well characterized, mobile electron transport protein that is essential to energy conversion in all aerobic organisms. Cytochrome b associates with cytochrome c subunit 1 and the Rieske protein to form complex III, also designated cytochrome bc1 complex, which is involved in cellular respiration. QP-C, also known as QCR8, QPC, UQCRCQ (ubiquinol-cytochrome c reductase, complex III subunit VII, 9.5kDa) or cytochrome bc1 complex subunit 8, is a 82 amino acid mitochondrion inner membrane protein that belongs to the UQCRCQ/QCR8 family. QP-C is a component of the UQCRC (ubiquinol-cytochrome-c reductase complex core) complex, which is part of the mitochondrial respiratory chain. Mutations in QP-C are due to mitochondrial complex III deficiency and are characterized by severe psychomotor retardation and extrapyramidal signs.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: Uqcrcq (mouse) mapping to 11 B1.3.

## PRODUCT

QP-C 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 QP-C shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-76306-SH and QP-C shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-76306-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of QP-C (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-76306A, sc-76306B and sc-76306C.

## 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

QP-C siRNA (m) is recommended for the inhibition of QP-C 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  $\mu$ 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 QP-C gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: QP-C (m)-PR: sc-76306-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.