

ZNF397 siRNA (h): sc-76984

BACKGROUND

Zinc-finger proteins contain DNA-binding domains and have a wide variety of functions, most of which encompass some form of transcriptional activation or repression. The majority of zinc-finger proteins contain a Krüppel-type DNA binding domain and a KRAB domain, which is thought to interact with KAP1, thereby recruiting histone modifying proteins. ZNF397 (zinc finger protein 397), also known as ZNF47 or ZSCAN15, is a 534 amino acid protein belonging to the Krüppel C₂H₂-type zinc-finger protein family. Existing as three alternatively spliced isoforms, ZNF397 is expressed strongly in testis, moderately in skeletal muscle, pancreas and prostate, and weakly in heart, placenta, liver, kidney, spleen, thymus and small intestine. ZNF397 isoform 3 acts as a DNA-dependent transcriptional repressor. Isoforms 1 and 3 can both homo- and hetero-associate, however, homo-association of isoform 1 is dependent on the presence of the SCAN domain. ZNF397 contains nine C₂H₂-type zinc fingers and one SCAN box domain.

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PROTOCOLS

See our web site at www.scbt.com for detailed protocols and support products.

CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: ZNF397 (human) mapping to 18q12.2.

PRODUCT

ZNF397 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 µM solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections. Also see ZNF397 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-76984-SH and ZNF397 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-76984-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of ZNF397 (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-76984A, sc-76984B and sc-76984C.

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 µl of the RNase-free water provided. Resuspension of the siRNA duplex in 330 µl of RNase-free water makes a 10 µM solution in a 10 µM Tris-HCl, pH 8.0, 20 mM NaCl, 1 mM EDTA buffered solution.

APPLICATIONS

ZNF397 siRNA (h) is recommended for the inhibition of ZNF397 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 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.

RT-PCR REAGENTS

Semi-quantitative RT-PCR may be performed to monitor ZNF397 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: ZNF397 (h)-PR: sc-76984-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.