

eIF2B α siRNA (m): sc-77249

BACKGROUND

The initiation of protein synthesis in eukaryotic cells is regulated by interactions between protein initiation factors and RNA molecules. The eukaryotic initiation complex eIF2B exists as a five subunit complex composed of eIF2B α , eIF2B β , eIF2B γ , eIF2B δ and eIF2B ϵ . The eIF2B complex catalyzes the exchange of GDP for GTP on the eIF2 complex, following the interaction of eIF2/GTP with the 40S ribosomal subunit. Guanine nucleotide exchange factor (GEF) activity is exhibited by the eIF2B ϵ subunit alone, but is greater in the presence of all five eIF2B subunits. Phosphorylation of eIF2 inhibits GEF activity of eIF2B, an inhibition that requires the eIF2B α subunit. Defects in the gene encoding eIF2B α are a cause of leukoencephalopathy with vanishing white matter (VWM), a brain disease that is characterized by head trauma and motor deterioration.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: Eif2b1 (mouse) mapping to 5 F.

PRODUCT

eIF2B α 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 μ M solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections. Also see eIF2B α shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-77249-SH and eIF2B α shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-77249-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of eIF2B α (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-77249A, sc-77249B and sc-77249C.

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

eIF2B α siRNA (m) is recommended for the inhibition of eIF2B α 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 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.

RT-PCR REAGENTS

Semi-quantitative RT-PCR may be performed to monitor eIF2B α gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: eIF2B α (m)-PR: sc-77249-PR (20 μ 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.