

PCDHB5 siRNA (h): sc-91605

BACKGROUND

Protocadherins are a large family of cadherin-like cell adhesion proteins that are involved in the establishment and maintenance of neuronal connections in the brain. Protocadherins are spatiotemporally regulated and are localized at synapses in the CNS. There are three protocadherin (PCDH) gene clusters, designated α , β and γ , all of which contain multiple tandemly arranged genes. Unlike the PCDHA and PCDHG genes, PCDB genes do not use constant region exons to produce mRNAs. Expressed by one of the 16 genes within the β cluster, PCDHB5 (protocadherin β -5) is a 795 amino acid single-pass transmembrane protein that contains six cadherin domains and functions as a potential calcium-dependent cell-adhesion protein, possibly playing a role in the creation and maintenance of neuronal connections.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: PCDHB5 (human) mapping to 5q31.3.

RESEARCH USE

For research use only, not for use in diagnostic procedures.

PRODUCT

PCDHB5 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 PCDHB5 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-91605-SH and PCDHB5 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-91605-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of PCDHB5 (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-91605A, sc-91605B and sc-91605C.

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

PCDHB5 siRNA (h) is recommended for the inhibition of PCDHB5 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.

RT-PCR REAGENTS

Semi-quantitative RT-PCR may be performed to monitor PCDHB5 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: PCDHB5 (h)-PR: sc-91605-PR (20 μ l). Annealing temperature for the primers should be 55-60° C and the extension temperature should be 68-72° C.

PROTOCOLS

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