

# POLA<sub>2</sub> siRNA (h): sc-96906

## BACKGROUND

DNA polymerase  $\alpha$  is an enzyme complex composed of four subunits: DNA primase large subunit, DNA primase small subunit and DNA polymerase subunits A and B. The complex is assembled during the cell cycle and is an essential component of DNA replication. POLA<sub>2</sub>, also known as DNA polymerase subunit  $\alpha$  B, is a 598 amino acid member of the DNA polymerase  $\alpha$  family of proteins. Incorporation of POLA<sub>2</sub> into the 4 subunit enzyme complex is accomplished via the 250 amino acid N-terminal domain of the POLA<sub>2</sub> protein. At the early stage of chromosomal DNA replication, POLA<sub>2</sub> couples the primase/polymerase complex to the replication machinery. POLA<sub>2</sub> is localized to the nucleus and may be phosphorylated at the G<sub>2</sub>/M phase of the cell cycle.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: POLA2 (human) mapping to 11q13.1.

## PRODUCT

POLA<sub>2</sub> 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  $\mu$ M solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections. Also see POLA<sub>2</sub> shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-96906-SH and POLA<sub>2</sub> shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-96906-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of POLA<sub>2</sub> (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-96906A, sc-96906B and sc-96906C.

## RESEARCH USE

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

## 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

POLA<sub>2</sub> siRNA (h) is recommended for the inhibition of POLA<sub>2</sub> 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  $\mu$ 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 POLA<sub>2</sub> gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: POLA<sub>2</sub> (h)-PR: sc-96906-PR (20  $\mu$ l). Annealing temperature for the primers should be 55-60° C and the extension temperature should be 68-72° C.