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# DNase II siRNA (h): sc-41507

## BACKGROUND

Internucleosomal DNA fragmentation following the activation of endonucleases is the common end point of apoptosis. DNase I, a  $\text{Ca}^{2+}/\text{Mg}^{2+}$ -dependent endonuclease ubiquitously expressed in mammalian tissues, has been implicated to mediate internucleosomal DNA degradation in human cells undergoing apoptosis. DNase I is highly polymorphic, and at least six alleles of DNase I are known. DNase II, the ubiquitously expressed acidic deoxyribonuclease, acts downstream of caspase activation and may also induce DNA digestion during apoptosis. DNase I cleaves DNA to 5'-phosphodinucleotide and 5'-phospho-oligonucleotide end-products, whereas DNase II cleaves DNA to 3'-phosphomononucleotide and 3'-phosphooligonucleotide end-products. The mechanism by which DNase II cuts DNA is similar to DNase I, which produces nicks rather than double-strand cuts. DNase II is usually present in cytoplasm of epithelial cells, but it appears concentrated in the nuclei of lens fibers. In contrast, DNase I is always concentrated in nuclei of epithelial and fiber cells. The gene encoding DNase II maps to human chromosome 19p13.2.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: DNASE2 (human) mapping to 19q13.2.

## PRODUCT

DNase II 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  $\mu\text{M}$  solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections. Also see DNase II shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-41507-SH and DNase II shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-41507-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of DNase II (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-41507A, sc-41507B and sc-41507C.

## 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  $-20^{\circ}\text{C}$  with desiccant. Stable for at least one year from the date of shipment. Once resuspended, store at  $-20^{\circ}\text{C}$ , avoid contact with RNAses and repeated freeze thaw cycles.

Resuspend lyophilized siRNA duplex in 330  $\mu\text{l}$  of the RNase-free water provided. Resuspension of the siRNA duplex in 330  $\mu\text{l}$  of RNase-free water makes a 10  $\mu\text{M}$  solution in a 10  $\mu\text{M}$  Tris-HCl, pH 8.0, 20 mM NaCl, 1 mM EDTA buffered solution.

## APPLICATIONS

DNase II siRNA (h) is recommended for the inhibition of DNase II 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  $\mu\text{M}$  in 66  $\mu\text{l}$ . 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 DNase II gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: DNase II (h)-PR: sc-41507-PR (20  $\mu\text{l}$ , 546 bp). Annealing temperature for the primers should be  $55-60^{\circ}\text{C}$  and the extension temperature should be  $68-72^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

## RESEARCH USE

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