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# N-type Ca<sup>++</sup> CP $\alpha$ 1B siRNA (m): sc-42699

## BACKGROUND

N-type calcium channels are localized in high density presynaptic nerve terminals and are crucial elements in neuronal excitation-secretion coupling. Peripherally distributed N-type Ca<sup>2+</sup> channel plays a key role in cardiovascular regulation through autonomic nervous system. The high-voltage activated Ca<sup>2+</sup> channels that have been characterized biochemically are complexes of a pore-forming  $\alpha$ -1 subunit; a transmembrane, disulfide-linked complex of  $\alpha$ -2 and  $\delta$  subunits; an intracellular  $\beta$  subunit; and in some cases, a transmembrane  $\gamma$  subunit. The  $\alpha$ -1 subunit conducts N-type Ca<sup>2+</sup> currents, which initiate rapid synaptic transmission. In addition to mediating Ca<sup>2+</sup> entry to initiate transmitter release, N-type Ca<sup>2+</sup> channels are thought to interact directly with proteins of the synaptic vesicle docking and fusion machinery. The synaptic protein interaction sites in the intracellular loop II-III of subunit  $\alpha$ -1B of N-type Ca<sup>2+</sup> channels bind to syntaxin, SNAP-25 and synaptotagmin.

## REFERENCES

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: Cacna1b (mouse) mapping to 2 A3.

## PRODUCT

N-type Ca<sup>++</sup> CP  $\alpha$ 1B 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  $\mu$ M solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections. Also see N-type Ca<sup>++</sup> CP  $\alpha$ 1B shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-42699-SH and N-type Ca<sup>++</sup> CP  $\alpha$ 1B shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-42699-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of N-type Ca<sup>++</sup> CP  $\alpha$ 1B (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-42699A, sc-42699B and sc-42699C.

## 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

N-type Ca<sup>++</sup> CP  $\alpha$ 1B siRNA (m) is recommended for the inhibition of N-type Ca<sup>++</sup> CP  $\alpha$ 1B 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  $\mu$ 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.

## GENE EXPRESSION MONITORING

N-type Ca<sup>++</sup> CP  $\alpha$ 1B (A-2): sc-377489 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of N-type Ca<sup>++</sup> CP  $\alpha$ 1B gene expression knockdown by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:200, dilution range 1:100-1:1000) or immunofluorescence (starting dilution 1:50, dilution range 1:50-1:500).

To ensure optimal results, the following support reagents are recommended: 1) Western Blotting: use m-IgG $\kappa$  BP-HRP: sc-516102 or m-IgG $\kappa$  BP-HRP (Cruz Marker): sc-516102-CM (dilution range: 1:1000-1:10000), Cruz Marker<sup>™</sup> Molecular Weight Standards: sc-2035, UltraCruz<sup>®</sup> Blocking Reagent: sc-516214 and Western Blotting Luminol Reagent: sc-2048. 2) Immunofluorescence: use m-IgG $\kappa$  BP-FITC: sc-516140 or m-IgG $\kappa$  BP-PE: sc-516141 (dilution range: 1:50-1:200) with UltraCruz<sup>®</sup> Mounting Medium: sc-24941 or UltraCruz<sup>®</sup> Hard-set Mounting Medium: sc-359850.

## RT-PCR REAGENTS

Semi-quantitative RT-PCR may be performed to monitor N-type Ca<sup>++</sup> CP  $\alpha$ 1B gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: N-type Ca<sup>++</sup> CP  $\alpha$ 1B (m)-PR: sc-42699-PR (20  $\mu$ l). Annealing temperature for the primers should be 55-60° C and the extension temperature should be 68-72° C.

## SELECT PRODUCT CITATIONS

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