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# R-type Ca<sup>++</sup> CP α1E siRNA (m): sc-42703

## BACKGROUND

Voltage-dependent Ca<sup>2+</sup> channels mediate Ca<sup>2+</sup> entry into excitable cells in response to membrane depolarization, and they are involved in a variety of Ca<sup>2+</sup>-dependent processes, including muscle contraction, hormone or neurotransmitter release and gene expression. Calcium channels are highly diverse, multimeric complexes composed of an α-1 subunit, an intracellular β subunit, a disulfide linked α-2/δ subunit and a transmembrane γ subunit. Ca<sup>2+</sup> currents are characterized on the basis of their biophysical and pharmacologic properties and include L-, N-, T-, P-, Q- and R- types. R-type Ca<sup>2+</sup> currents initiate a rapid synaptic transmission that is regulated through G proteins, SNARE proteins, and protein phosphorylation. R-type Ca<sup>2+</sup> channels may partially regulate the secretory process in chromaffin cells by mediating rapid secretory responses evoked by short depolarizing pulses.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: *Cacna1e* (mouse) mapping to 1 G3.

## PRODUCT

R-type Ca<sup>++</sup> CP α1E 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 μM solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections. Also see R-type Ca<sup>++</sup> CP α1E shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-42703-SH and R-type Ca<sup>++</sup> CP α1E shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-42703-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of R-type Ca<sup>++</sup> CP α1E (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-42703A, sc-42703B and sc-42703C.

## 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 μl of the RNase-free water provided. Resuspension of the siRNA duplex in 330 μl of RNase-free water makes a 10 μM solution in a 10 μM Tris-HCl, pH 8.0, 20 mM NaCl, 1 mM EDTA buffered solution.

## APPLICATIONS

R-type Ca<sup>++</sup> CP α1E siRNA (m) is recommended for the inhibition of R-type Ca<sup>++</sup> CP α1E 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 μM in 66 μl. 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 R-type Ca<sup>++</sup> CP α1E gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: R-type Ca<sup>++</sup> CP α1E (m)-PR: sc-42703-PR (20 μl, 439 bp). 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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