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# BPAG1 siRNA (h): sc-43269

## BACKGROUND

As basal cells of stratified squamous epithelia begin to migrate in response to wound healing, they lose their cell-substrate adhesion junctions, the hemidesmosomes. The hemidesmosome is an adhesion structure of the epidermal-dermal junction in keratinocytes. When keratinocytes migrate laterally or upward to differentiate they must control the formation and disintegration of the hemidesmosomes. The bullous pemphigoid antigen BPAG1 is a hemidesmosomal protein of the cutaneous basement membrane zone. The primary sequence deduced from full-length human cDNAs predicts that this molecule consists of a central rod region and flanking globular domains. A neuronal isoform, BPAG1n3 is the result of differential splicing of BPAG1. BPAG1n3 is distinguished by its initial 32 amino acid residues and by the absence of the amino-terminal half of the Actin-binding domain.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: BPAG1 (human) mapping to 6p12.1.

## PRODUCT

BPAG1 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 BPAG1 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-43269-SH and BPAG1 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-43269-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of BPAG1 (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-43269A, sc-43269B and sc-43269C.

## 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

BPAG1 siRNA (h) is recommended for the inhibition of BPAG1 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.

## GENE EXPRESSION MONITORING

BPAG1 (1B10): sc-293499 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of BPAG1 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 BPAG1 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: BPAG1 (h)-PR: sc-43269-PR (20  $\mu$ l). Annealing temperature for the primers should be 55-60° C and the extension temperature should be 68-72° C.

## RESEARCH USE

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

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