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# Cytokeratin 17 siRNA (h): sc-43311

## BACKGROUND

Cytokeratin 17 is a member of the cytokeratin subfamily of intermediate filament proteins (IFPs). It is unique in that it is normally expressed in the basal cells of complex epithelia but not in stratified or simple epithelia. Cytokeratin 17 contains 432 amino acids and is expressed in the nail bed, hair follicle, sebaceous glands and other epidermal appendages. Cytokeratin 17 functions to regulate cell growth and size through its interactions with the adaptor protein 14-3-3- $\sigma$  to mediate protein synthesis. Mutations in the gene encoding for Cytokeratin 17 lead to depressed protein translation and smaller sized skin keratinocytes, corresponding to decreased Akt/mTOR signaling activity. Cytokeratin 17 may be a useful marker for cervical stem cell identification, squamous cell carcinoma of the larynx, respiratory syncytial virus and transitional cell carcinomas of the human urinary tract.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: KRT17 (human) mapping to 17q21.2.

## PRODUCT

Cytokeratin 17 siRNA (h) is a pool of 2 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 Cytokeratin 17 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-43311-SH and Cytokeratin 17 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-43311-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of Cytokeratin 17 (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-43311A and sc-43311B.

## 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

Cytokeratin 17 siRNA (h) is recommended for the inhibition of Cytokeratin 17 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

Cytokeratin 17 (E-4): sc-393002 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of Cytokeratin 17 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 Cytokeratin 17 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: Cytokeratin 17 (h)-PR: sc-43311-PR (20  $\mu$ l, 407 bp). 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.

## PROTOCOLS

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