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Tropomyosin α shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-43471-V

BACKGROUND

Tropomyosins are a group of structural proteins. Tropomyosins are present in virtually all eukaryotic cells, both muscle and non-muscle, where they bind Actin filaments and function to modulate Actin-Myosin interaction and stabilize Actin filament structure. Tropomyosin α is encoded by the TPM1 gene, which maps to human chromosome 15q22.1 and undergoes alternative splicing to generate at least four isoforms, including skeletal muscle (isoform 1), smooth muscle (isoform 2), fibroblast/TM3 (isoform 3) and isoform 4. Tropomyosin β is encoded by the TPM2 gene, which maps to human chromosome 9p13.3 and undergoes alternative splicing to generate three isoforms, including skeletal muscle (isoform 1), non-muscle/fibroblast TM36/epithelial TMe1 (isoform 2) and non-muscle (isoform 3). Troponin I binds Tropomyosin at a specific region and the association of Tropomyosin-Troponin with Actin filaments may increase the rigidity of Actin filaments. Tropomyosin also interacts with Caldesmon to regulate smooth muscle contraction.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: Tpm1 (mouse) mapping to 9 C.

PRODUCT

Tropomyosin α shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles is a pool of concentrated, transduction-ready viral particles containing 3 target-specific constructs that encode 19-25 nt (plus hairpin) shRNA designed to knock down gene expression. Each vial contains 200 μ l frozen stock containing 1.0×10^6 infectious units of virus (IFU) in Dulbecco's Modified Eagle's Medium with 25 mM HEPES pH 7.3. Suitable for 10-20 transductions. Also see Tropomyosin α siRNA (m): sc-43471 and Tropomyosin α shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-43471-SH as alternate gene silencing products.

STORAGE

Store lentiviral particles at -80° C. Stable for at least one year from the date of shipment. Once thawed, particles can be stored at 4° C for up to one week. Avoid repeated freeze thaw cycles.

APPLICATIONS

Tropomyosin α shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles is recommended for the inhibition of Tropomyosin α expression in mouse cells.

SUPPORT REAGENTS

Control shRNA Lentiviral Particles: sc-108080. Available as 200 μ l frozen viral stock containing 1.0×10^6 infectious units of virus (IFU); contains an shRNA construct encoding a scrambled sequence that will not lead to the specific degradation of any known cellular mRNA.

GENE EXPRESSION MONITORING

Tropomyosin α (F-6): sc-376541 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of Tropomyosin α 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 (secondary) reagents are recommended: 1) Western Blotting: use goat anti-mouse IgG-HRP: sc-2005 (dilution range: 1:2000-1:32,000) or Cruz Marker™ compatible goat anti-mouse IgG-HRP: sc-2031 (dilution range: 1:2000-1:5000), Cruz Marker™ Molecular Weight Standards: sc-2035, TBS Blotto A Blocking Reagent: sc-2333 and Western Blotting Luminol Reagent: sc-2048. 2) Immunofluorescence: use goat anti-mouse IgG-FITC: sc-2010 (dilution range: 1:100-1:400) or goat anti-mouse IgG-TR: sc-2781 (dilution range: 1:100-1:400) with UltraCruz™ Mounting Medium: sc-24941.

RT-PCR REAGENTS

Semi-quantitative RT-PCR may be performed to monitor Tropomyosin α gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: Tropomyosin α (m)-PR: sc-43471-PR (20 μ l). Annealing temperature for the primers should be $55-60^\circ$ C and the extension temperature should be $68-72^\circ$ C.

BIOSAFETY

Lentiviral particles can be employed in standard Biosafety Level 2 tissue culture facilities (and should be treated with the same level of caution as with any other potentially infectious reagent). Lentiviral particles are replication-incompetent and are designed to self-inactivate after transduction and integration of shRNA constructs into genomic DNA of target cells.

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