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# Bcl-11a shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-43578-V

## BACKGROUND

Bcl-11a (CtlP-1, EVI9, B cell chronic lymphocytic leukemia (CLL)/lymphoma 11A) and Bcl-11b (CtlP-2, RIT1, B cell CLL/lymphoma 11B) genes play crucial roles in lymphopoiesis and influence the progression of hematopoietic malignancies. Disruption of the Bcl-11b locus is linked to T cell acute lymphoblastic leukemia, and the loss of heterozygosity in mice results in T cell lymphoma. Bcl-11 proteins are related C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub> zinc-finger transcription factors that act as transcriptional repressors. Bcl-11b can interact with the metastasis-associated proteins MTA1 and MTA2 through the amino-terminal region. Bcl-11a is essential for postnatal development and normal lymphopoiesis. The Bcl-11a mouse gene is a common site of retroviral integration in myeloid leukemia, and may function as a leukemia disease gene, in part, through its interaction with Bcl-6.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: BCL11A (human) mapping to 2p16.1.

## PRODUCT

Bcl-11a shRNA (h) 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 µl frozen stock containing 1.0 x 10<sup>6</sup> 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 Bcl-11a siRNA (h): sc-43578 and Bcl-11a shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-43578-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.

## PROTOCOLS

See our web site at [www.scbt.com](http://www.scbt.com) or our catalog for detailed protocols and support products.

## APPLICATIONS

Bcl-11a shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles is recommended for the inhibition of Bcl-11a expression in human cells.

## SUPPORT REAGENTS

Control shRNA Lentiviral Particles: sc-108080. Available as 200 µl frozen viral stock containing 1.0 x 10<sup>6</sup> 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

Bcl-11a (H-116): sc-366825 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of Bcl-11a 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-rabbit IgG-HRP: sc-2004 (dilution range: 1:2000-1:100,000) or Cruz Marker™ compatible goat anti-rabbit IgG-HRP: sc-2030 (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-rabbit IgG-FITC: sc-2012 (dilution range: 1:100-1:400) or goat anti-rabbit IgG-TR: sc-2780 (dilution range: 1:100-1:400) with UltraCruz™ Mounting Medium: sc-24941.

## RT-PCR REAGENTS

Semi-quantitative RT-PCR may be performed to monitor Bcl-11a gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: Bcl-11a (h)-PR: sc-43578-PR (20 µl, 461 bp). Annealing temperature for the primers should be 55-60° C and the extension temperature should be 68-72° 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.

## RESEARCH USE

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