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# HVEM shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-43855-V

## BACKGROUND

Herpes virus entry mediator (HVEM), a type I transmembrane protein, is a member of the TNF receptor superfamily. HVEM mediates the entry of herpes simplex virus (HSV)-1 and -2 into T lymphocytes by serving as an attachment site for the HSV envelope glycoprotein D (gD). HVEM also binds two cellular ligands, secreted lymphotoxin- $\alpha$  and LIGHT. LIGHT is a member of the TNF superfamily produced by activated T cells. This type II transmembrane protein competes with HSV glycoprotein D for binding to HVEM. LIGHT is closely related in sequence to lymphotoxin- $\beta$  (LT- $\beta$ ) and can also bind to the LT- $\beta$  receptor. LIGHT is also known to induce apoptosis and suppress tumor formation.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: TNFRSF14 (human) mapping to 1p36.32.

## PRODUCT

HVEM 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  $\mu$ l frozen stock containing  $1.0 \times 10^6$  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 HVEM siRNA (h): sc-43855 and HVEM shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-43855-SH as alternate gene silencing products.

## STORAGE

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

## PROTOCOLS

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## APPLICATIONS

HVEM shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles is recommended for the inhibition of HVEM expression in human cells.

## SUPPORT REAGENTS

Control shRNA Lentiviral Particles: sc-108080. Available as 200  $\mu$ l frozen viral stock containing  $1.0 \times 10^6$  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

HVEM (D-5): sc-365971 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of HVEM 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 HVEM gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: HVEM (h)-PR: sc-43855-PR (20  $\mu$ l, 428 bp). 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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