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SSTR2 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-44119-V

BACKGROUND

SSTRs (for somatostatin receptors) represent a family of G protein-coupled receptors which mediate the diverse biological actions of somatostatin (SST). There are five distinct subtypes of SSTRs that bind two natural ligands, SST-14 and SST-28. SSTR2 gives rise to spliced variants, SSTR2A and 2B. SSTRs share common signaling pathways such as the ability to inhibit adenylyl cyclase via GTP binding proteins. Some of the subtypes are also coupled to tyrosine phosphatase (SSTR1,2), Ca²⁺ channels (SSTR2), Na⁺/H⁺ exchanger (SSTR1), PLA-2 (SSTR4), and MAP kinase (SSTR4). Individual target cells typically express more than one SSTR subtype and often all five isoforms. Subtypes of SSTR can form functional homo- and heterodimers.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: SSTR2 (human) mapping to 17q25.1.

PRODUCT

SSTR2 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 10⁶ 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 SSTR2 siRNA (h): sc-44119 and SSTR2 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-44119-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

SSTR2 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles is recommended for the inhibition of SSTR2 expression in human cells.

SUPPORT REAGENTS

Control shRNA Lentiviral Particles: sc-108080. Available as 200 µl frozen viral stock containing 1.0 x 10⁶ 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

SSTR2 (A-8): sc-365502 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of SSTR2 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 SSTR2 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: SSTR2 (h)-PR: sc-44119-PR (20 µl, 425 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.

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