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# SEC14L2 shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-44739-V

## BACKGROUND

The monomeric, SEC14L2 (SEC14-like protein 2), also known as supernatant protein factor (SPF),  $\alpha$ -tocopherol-associated protein or squalene transfer protein, functions as a carrier protein transferring tocopherols, as a transcriptional activator via its interaction with  $\alpha$ -tocopherol and as a stimulator of conversion of microsomal squalene-2,3-oxide into lanosterol in cholesterol biosynthesis. High levels of SEC14L2 are expressed in liver, brain, intestine and prostate. Subcellular localization of SEC14L2 is cytoplasmic, but in the presence of  $\alpha$ -tocopherol, SEC14L2 localizes in the nucleus. Activity of SEC14L2 depends on posttranslational modifications, specifically phosphorylation by PKA and PKC.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: Sec14l2 (mouse) mapping to 11 A1.

## PRODUCT

SEC14L2 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  $\mu$ 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 SEC14L2 siRNA (m): sc-44739 and SEC14L2 shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-44739-SH as alternate gene silencing products.

## STORAGE

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

## APPLICATIONS

SEC14L2 shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles is recommended for the inhibition of SEC14L2 expression in mouse 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

SEC14L2 (H-4): sc-271905 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of SEC14L2 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 IgM-HRP: sc-2064 (dilution range: 1:500-1:5,000), TBS Blotto A Blocking Reagent: sc-2333 and Western Blotting Luminol Reagent: sc-2048. 2) Immunofluorescence: use goat anti-mouse IgM-FITC: sc-2082 (dilution range: 1:100-1:400) or goat anti-mouse IgM-TR: sc-2983 (dilution range: 1:100-1:400) with UltraCruz™ Mounting Medium: sc-24941.

## RT-PCR REAGENTS

Semi-quantitative RT-PCR may be performed to monitor SEC14L2 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: SEC14L2 (m)-PR: sc-44739-PR (20  $\mu$ l). Annealing temperature for the primers should be  $55-60^\circ\text{C}$  and the extension temperature should be  $68-72^\circ\text{C}$ .

## 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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