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# CYP11B2 siRNA (h): sc-44861

## BACKGROUND

The steroid 11 $\beta$ -hydroxylase gene, also designated CYP11B1, is a marker for the functional differentiation of cells in the zona fasciculata reticularis. The deduced protein CYP11B1 consists of 466 amino acids containing a secretory signal, epidermal growth factor-like repeats and a proteolytically inactive cathepsin B-related sequence. A related protein, human aldosterone synthase (CYP11B2), is involved in substrate recognition and conversion, with a functionally significant residue 112 in the N-terminal region of human CYP11B2. The inherited disorder glucocorticoid-remediable aldosteronism is caused by a chimeric gene duplication between the CYP11B1 and CYP11B2 genes. This disorder is characterized by hyperaldosteronism and high levels of 18-hydroxy-cortisol and 18-oxocortisol, which are under ACTH control.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: CYP11B2 (human) mapping to 8q24.3.

## PRODUCT

CYP11B2 siRNA (h) is a pool of 3 target-specific 19-25 nt siRNAs designed to knock down gene expression. Each vial contains 3.3 nmol of lyophilized siRNA, sufficient for a 10  $\mu$ M solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections. Also see CYP11B2 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-44861-SH and CYP11B2 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-44861-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of CYP11B2 (h) gene silencing results, we also provide the individual siRNA duplex components. Each is available as 3.3 nmol of lyophilized siRNA. These include: sc-44861A, sc-44861B and sc-44861C.

## STORAGE AND RESUSPENSION

Store lyophilized siRNA duplex at -20° C with desiccant. Stable for at least one year from the date of shipment. Once resuspended, store at -20° C, avoid contact with RNAses and repeated freeze thaw cycles.

Resuspend lyophilized siRNA duplex in 330  $\mu$ l of the RNase-free water provided. Resuspension of the siRNA duplex in 330  $\mu$ l of RNase-free water makes a 10  $\mu$ M solution in a 10  $\mu$ M Tris-HCl, pH 8.0, 20 mM NaCl, 1 mM EDTA buffered solution.

## APPLICATIONS

CYP11B2 siRNA (h) is recommended for the inhibition of CYP11B2 expression in human cells.

## SUPPORT REAGENTS

For optimal siRNA transfection efficiency, Santa Cruz Biotechnology's siRNA Transfection Reagent: sc-29528 (0.3 ml), siRNA Transfection Medium: sc-36868 (20 ml) and siRNA Dilution Buffer: sc-29527 (1.5 ml) are recommended. Control siRNAs or Fluorescein Conjugated Control siRNAs are available as 10  $\mu$ M in 66  $\mu$ l. Each contain a scrambled sequence that will not lead to the specific degradation of any known cellular mRNA. Fluorescein Conjugated Control siRNAs include: sc-36869, sc-44239, sc-44240 and sc-44241. Control siRNAs include: sc-37007, sc-44230, sc-44231, sc-44232, sc-44233, sc-44234, sc-44235, sc-44236, sc-44237 and sc-44238.

## RT-PCR REAGENTS

Semi-quantitative RT-PCR may be performed to monitor CYP11B2 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: CYP11B2 (h)-PR: sc-44861-PR (20  $\mu$ l). Annealing temperature for the primers should be 55-60° C and the extension temperature should be 68-72° C.

## RESEARCH USE

For research use only, not for use in diagnostic procedures.

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