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Mx1 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-45260-V

BACKGROUND

The Dynamin family of microtubule-associated proteins function as GTPases that are involved in microtubule bundling and endocytosis. In mice, Mx2 (myxovirus resistance protein 2) and Mx1 (myxovirus resistance protein 1) are members of the Dynamin family that are involved in the immune response to viral infections. Localized to the cytoplasm, Mx2 contains one GED domain and is expressed in response to viral infection or treatment by IFN- α /IFN- β . Once expression is induced, Mx2 accumulates in the cytoplasm and inhibits the replication of vesicular stomatitis virus (VSV), thereby conferring resistance to VSV infection. Unlike Mx2, Mx1 is localized to the nucleus where, upon induction by IFN- α /IFN- β , it provides selective resistance to infection by the highly lethal H5N1 influenza virus. In humans, MxA and MxB function in a similar manner to Mx1 and Mx2, conferring resistance to specific target viruses.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: MX1 (human) mapping to 21q22.3.

RESEARCH USE

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PRODUCT

Mx1 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 μ l frozen stock containing 1.0×10^6 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 Mx1 siRNA (h): sc-45260 and Mx1 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-45260-SH as alternate gene silencing products.

APPLICATIONS

Mx1 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles is recommended for the inhibition of Mx1 expression in human cells.

SUPPORT REAGENTS

Control shRNA Lentiviral Particles: sc-108080. Available as 200 μ l frozen viral stock containing 1.0×10^6 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.

RT-PCR REAGENTS

Semi-quantitative RT-PCR may be performed to monitor Mx1 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: Mx1 (h)-PR: sc-45260-PR (20 μ l, 564 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.

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.

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