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Paraxis siRNA (m): sc-45842

BACKGROUND

The novel basic helix-loop-helix (bHLH) transcription factor, twist, is a putative regulator of mesodermal differentiation and myogenesis. Twist is expressed throughout the epithelial somite but not in the myotome. Twist requires dimerization with E proteins, such as Paraxis, and inhibits myogenic regulatory factors. As an early transcriptional regulator, Paraxis determines the mesoderm pattern and governs the type of mesoderm-derived cells. Paraxis is also involved in the regulation of morphogenetic activities during somitogenesis. A nuclear protein containing one bHLH domain, Paraxis requires dimerization with another protein in order to bind DNA efficiently.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: Tcf15 (mouse) mapping to 2 G3.

PRODUCT

Paraxis siRNA (m) is a pool of 2 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 μ M solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections. Also see Paraxis shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-45842-SH and Paraxis shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-45842-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of Paraxis (m) gene silencing results, we also provide the individual siRNA duplex components. Each is available as 3.3 nmol of lyophilized siRNA. These include: sc-45842A and sc-45842B.

RESEARCH USE

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

PROTOCOLS

See our web site at www.scbt.com for detailed protocols and support products.

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

APPLICATIONS

Paraxis siRNA (m) is recommended for the inhibition of Paraxis expression in mouse 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 μ M in 66 μ 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 Paraxis gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: Paraxis (m)-PR: sc-45842-PR (20 μ l). Annealing temperature for the primers should be 55-60° C and the extension temperature should be 68-72° C.