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# Supt4h1 siRNA (m): sc-153933

## BACKGROUND

SPT4 (also designated suppressor of Ty4, p14 or SUPT4H1) and SPT5 (also designated DSIF p160) are highly conserved proteins from yeast to humans. Nuclear SPT4 and SPT5 are involved in both DRB (5,6-dichloro-1-β-D-ribofuranosylbenzimidazole)-mediated transcriptional inhibition, as well as the activation of transcriptional elongation by the HIV-1 protein Tat. SPT4 binds SPT5 to form the DSIF (DRB-sensitivity-inducing factor) complex, which binds RNA polymerase II and directly regulates elongation. In mitotic HeLa cells, SPT5 migrates more slowly on SDS-PAGE than does SPT5 isolated from interphase cells, as a result of enhanced SPT5 phosphorylation. The C-terminal CTR1 domain of SPT5 is the substrate for P-TEFb phosphorylation, which is critical for SPT5 function as a regulator of transcriptional elongation. Supt4h1, also known as Supt4a or Supt4h1a, is a 117 amino acid murine protein that, like SPT4, is a component of the DSIF complex and plays a role in mRNA processing and transcription elongation.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: Supt4h1 (mouse) mapping to 11 C.

## PRODUCT

Supt4h1 siRNA (m) is a target-specific 19-25 nt siRNA designed to knock down gene expression. Each vial contains 3.3 nmol of lyophilized siRNA, sufficient for a 10 μM solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections. Also see Supt4h1 shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-153933-SH and Supt4h1 shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-153933-V as alternate gene silencing products.

## PROTOCOLS

See our web site at [www.scbt.com](http://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 μl of the RNase-free water provided. Resuspension of the siRNA duplex in 330 μl of RNase-free water makes a 10 μM solution in a 10 μM Tris-HCl, pH 8.0, 20 mM NaCl, 1 mM EDTA buffered solution.

## APPLICATIONS

Supt4h1 siRNA (m) is recommended for the inhibition of Supt4h1 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 μM in 66 μl. 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 Supt4h1 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: Supt4h1 (m)-PR: sc-153933-PR (20 μl). 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.