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3 β -HSD siRNA (r): sc-270008

BACKGROUND

3 β -hydroxysteroid dehydrogenase (3 β -HSD), also known as HSD3B1 or HSD3B3, is a bifunctional enzyme that plays a crucial role in the synthesis of all classes of hormonal steroids. Two human 3 β -HSD proteins, designated type I (3 β -HSD) and type II (3 β -HSD2), are expressed by different genes and function in different areas of the body. Localized to the membrane of the endoplasmic reticulum (ER) and expressed in skin and placenta, 3 β -HSD is the type I protein that catalyzes the oxidative conversion of δ^5 -ene-3- β -hydroxy steroid, as well as the conversion of various ketosteroids. Defects in the gene encoding 3 β -HSD are associated with classic salt wasting, genital ambiguity, hypogonadism, Insulin-resistant polycystic ovary syndrome (PCOS) and an increased susceptibility to prostate cancer. Additionally, congenital deficiency of 3 β -HSD activity results in a severe depletion of steroid formation which can be lethal in young children.

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PRODUCT

3 β -HSD siRNA (r) 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 μ M solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections. Also see 3 β -HSD shRNA Plasmid (r): sc-270008-SH and 3 β -HSD shRNA (r) Lentiviral Particles: sc-270008-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of 3 β -HSD (r) gene silencing results, we also provide the individual siRNA duplex components. Each is available as 3.3 nmol of lyophilized siRNA. These include: sc-270008A, sc-270008B and sc-270008C.

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

3 β -HSD siRNA (r) is recommended for the inhibition of 3 β -HSD expression in rat 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 3 β -HSD gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: 3 β -HSD (r)-PR: sc-270008-PR (20 μ 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.