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IRAP siRNA (r): sc-270038

BACKGROUND

IRAP (Insulin-responsive aminopeptidase), also known as LNPEP (leucyl-cystinyl aminopeptidase), OTase (oxytocinase) or P-LAP (placental leucine aminopeptidase), is a 1,025 amino acid protein that is highly expressed in placenta, heart, kidney and small intestine and at lower levels in neuronal cells in brain, in skeletal muscle, spleen, liver, testes and colon. IRAP belongs to the peptidase M1 family and is thought to play a role in the degradation of hormones such as oxytocin, vasopressin and Angiotensin III. IRAP maintains homeostasis during pregnancy and may be involved in the inactivation of neuronal peptides in the brain. It is suggested that IRAP regulates the trafficking of the Insulin-responsive glucose transporter Glut4, thereby influencing glucose uptake in cells. IRAP interacts with Tankyrase-1 and Tankyrases-2, which are novel signaling targets of extracellular signal-regulated kinase (ERK) in the Golgi. Three isoforms exist due to alternative splicing.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: *Lnpep* (rat) mapping to 1q12.

PRODUCT

IRAP 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 IRAP shRNA Plasmid (r): sc-270038-SH and IRAP shRNA (r) Lentiviral Particles: sc-270038-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of IRAP (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-270038A, sc-270038B and sc-270038C.

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

IRAP siRNA (r) is recommended for the inhibition of IRAP 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.

GENE EXPRESSION MONITORING

IRAP (F-5): sc-365300 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of IRAP gene expression knockdown by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:200, dilution range 1:100-1:1000) or immunofluorescence (starting dilution 1:50, dilution range 1:50-1:500).

To ensure optimal results, the following support reagents are recommended: 1) Western Blotting: use m-IgG κ BP-HRP: sc-516102 or m-IgG κ BP-HRP (Cruz Marker): sc-516102-CM (dilution range: 1:1000-1:10000), Cruz Marker™ Molecular Weight Standards: sc-2035, UltraCruz® Blocking Reagent: sc-516214 and Western Blotting Luminol Reagent: sc-2048. 2) Immunofluorescence: use m-IgG κ BP-FITC: sc-516140 or m-IgG κ BP-PE: sc-516141 (dilution range: 1:50-1:200) with UltraCruz® Mounting Medium: sc-24941 or UltraCruz® Hard-set Mounting Medium: sc-359850.

RT-PCR REAGENTS

Semi-quantitative RT-PCR may be performed to monitor IRAP gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: IRAP (r)-PR: sc-270038-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.

PROTOCOLS

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