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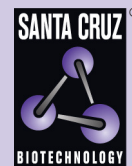
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BGT-1 siRNA (m): sc-141694

BACKGROUND

BGT-1, also known as sodium- and chloride-dependent betaine transporter, SLC6A12 (solute carrier family 6 member 12) or Na⁺/Cl⁻ betaine/GABA transporter, is a 614 amino acid protein. As a multi-pass membrane protein, BGT-1 localizes to liver, heart, skeletal muscle and placenta and is widely distributed in brain. BGT-1 has the typical structure of neurotransmitter transporters, with twelve transmembrane domains and a large extracellular loop between the third and fourth transmembrane domains. BGT-1 transports betaine and GABA, and may have a role in regulation of GABAergic transmission in the brain through the reuptake of GABA into presynaptic terminals, as well as in osmotic regulation. BGT-1 is associated with mucus production in asthma, and could affect reversibility of lung function abnormalities in aspirin-intolerant asthma patients. BGT-1 displays significant functional differences from the other members of the GABA transporter family.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: Slc6a12 (mouse) mapping to 6 F1.

PRODUCT

BGT-1 siRNA (m) 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 μM solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections. Also see BGT-1 shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-141694-SH and BGT-1 shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-141694-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of BGT-1 (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-141694A, sc-141694B and sc-141694C.

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 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

BGT-1 siRNA (m) is recommended for the inhibition of BGT-1 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.

GENE EXPRESSION MONITORING

BGT-1 (D-5): sc-514024 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of BGT-1 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-IgGκ BP-HRP: sc-516102 or m-IgGκ BP-HRP (Cruz Marker): sc-516102-CM (dilution range: 1:1000-1:10000), Cruz MarkerTM Molecular Weight Standards: sc-2035, UltraCruz[®] Blocking Reagent: sc-516214 and Western Blotting Luminol Reagent: sc-2048. 2) Immunofluorescence: use m-IgGκ BP-FITC: sc-516140 or m-IgGκ 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 BGT-1 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: BGT-1 (m)-PR: sc-141694-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.