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# Metaxin 1 siRNA (m): sc-149375

## BACKGROUND

Metaxin 1, also known as Mtx or Gcap6, is a 317 amino acid member of the Metaxin protein family. Localized to the mitochondrion outer membrane, Metaxin 1 is involved in the transport of proteins into the mitochondrion. Metaxin 1 is also believed to be essential for embryonic development. Metaxin 1 has been found to interact with other Metaxin family members, including Metaxin 2. Although ubiquitously expressed, highest levels of Metaxin 1 are present in kidney. The gene that encodes Metaxin 1 maps to human chromosome 1, which is the largest human chromosome, spanning about 260 million base pairs and making up 8% of the human genome.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: Mtx1 (mouse) mapping to 3 F1.

## PRODUCT

Metaxin 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  $\mu$ M solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections. Also see Metaxin 1 shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-149375-SH and Metaxin 1 shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-149375-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of Metaxin 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-149375A, sc-149375B and sc-149375C.

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

## APPLICATIONS

Metaxin 1 siRNA (m) is recommended for the inhibition of Metaxin 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  $\mu$ M in 66  $\mu$ 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

Metaxin 1 (28): sc-135989 is recommended as a control antibody for monitoring of Metaxin 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).

## RT-PCR REAGENTS

Semi-quantitative RT-PCR may be performed to monitor Metaxin 1 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: Metaxin 1 (m)-PR: sc-149375-PR (20  $\mu$ 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.

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