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ZnT-5 siRNA (m): sc-155978

BACKGROUND

Zinc, an essential element required for cell proliferation and differentiation, plays a role in a diverse array of cellular functions (such as neuroregulation) and acts as a cofactor for numerous enzymes and transcription factors. The zinc transporter (ZnT) family regulates the supply of zinc within cells, and its members commonly contain six membrane-spanning domains, a large histidine-rich intracellular loop and a C-terminal tail. ZnT-5 (zinc transporter 5), also known as SLC30A5 (solute carrier family 30 member 5), ZNTL1 or ZTL1, is a 765 amino acid protein that localizes to the membrane of the *trans*-Golgi network. Expressed throughout the body with highest expression in liver, pancreas and kidney, ZnT-5 functions as zinc transporter that regulates zinc homeostasis within vesicular compartments and the Golgi apparatus and may help to form Insulin crystals within pancreatic β cells. ZnT-5 is expressed as two isoforms due to alternative splicing events and its expression is upregulated in response to zinc depletion.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: Slc30a5 (mouse) mapping to 13 D1.

PRODUCT

ZnT-5 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 μ M solution once resuspended using protocol below. Suitable for 50-100 transfections. Also see ZnT-5 shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-155978-SH and ZnT-5 shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-155978-V as alternate gene silencing products.

For independent verification of ZnT-5 (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-155978A, sc-155978B and sc-155978C.

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

ZnT-5 siRNA (m) is recommended for the inhibition of ZnT-5 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 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 ZnT-5 gene expression knockdown using RT-PCR Primer: ZnT-5 (m)-PR: sc-155978-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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