## SignalSilence® CK2 $\alpha$ siRNA I (Rodent Specific)

10μM in 300 μl (3 nmol)



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## For Research Use Only. Not For Use In Diagnostic Procedures.

## Species Cross-Reactivity: M, (R)

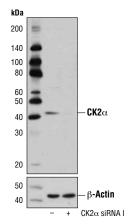
**Description:** SignalSilence® CK2 $\alpha$  siRNA I (Rodent Specific) from Cell Signaling Technology (CST) allows the researcher to specifically inhibit CK2 $\alpha$  expression using RNA interference, a method whereby gene expression can be selectively silenced through the delivery of double stranded RNA molecules into the cell. All SignalSilence® siRNA products from CST are rigorously tested in-house and have been shown to reduce target protein expression by western analysis.

Background: CK2 (formerly called Casein Kinase II) is a highly conserved protein kinase with more than 300 substrates regulating cell growth, cell death, and cell survival. CK2 has been implicated in the response to UV irradiationinduced DNA damage, targeting XRCC1 (1) and BRCA1 (2) as well as regulating p53 tumor suppressor protein functions (3). Furthermore, CK2 plays a key role in NF-κB activation (4). UV irradiation stimulates CK2-mediated phosphorylation of several carboxy-terminal residues within  $I\kappa B\alpha$ , resulting in  $I\kappa B\alpha$  proteasomal degradation and the release and nuclear translocation of active NF-kB. CK2 is also dysregulated in many cancers (5) and neurodegenerative diseases such as Alzheimer's and Parkinson's diseases (6). Structurally, CK2 is a multimeric protein complex consisting of two catalytic subunits ( $\alpha$  or  $\alpha$ ) and two regulatory  $\beta$  subunits (7). CK2 is distributed ubiquitously and is apparently constitutively active (7). While cell cycle-dependent Ser-Pro phosphorylation sites have been identified on CK2 $\alpha$  and CK2 $\beta$ . Tvr255 phosphorylation by the Src-related kinase c-Fgr seems to have the greatest effect on  $CK2\alpha$  activity (8,9).

**Specificity/Sensitivity:** SignalSilence®  $CK2\alpha$  siRNA I (Rodent Specific) inhibits mouse and rat  $CK2\alpha$  expression.

**Directions for Use:** CST recommends transfection with 100 nM SignalSilence® CK2 $\alpha$  siRNA I (Rodent Specific) 48 to 72 hours prior to cell lysis. For transfection procedure, follow protocol provided by the transfection reagent manufacturer. Please feel free to contact CST with any questions on use.

Each vial contains the equivalent of 100 transfections, which corresponds to a final siRNA concentration of 100 nM per transfection in a 24-well plate with a total volume of 300  $\mu l$  ner well



Western blot analysis of extracts from NIH/3T3 cells, transfected with 100 nM SignalSilence® Control siRNA (Unconjugated) #6568 (-) or SignalSilence® CK2 $\alpha$  siRNA I (Rodent Specific) (+), using CK2 $\alpha$  Antibody #2656 (upper) or  $\beta$ -Actin (D6A8) Rabbit mAb #8457 (lower). The CK2 $\alpha$  Antibody confirms silencing of CK2 $\alpha$  expression, while the  $\beta$ -Actin (D6A8) Rabbit mAb is used as a loading control.

**Quality Control:** Oligonucleotide synthesis is monitored base by base through trityl analysis to ensure appropriate coupling efficiency. The oligo is subsequently purified by affinity-solid phase extraction. The annealed RNA duplex is further analyzed by mass spectrometry to verify the exact composition of the duplex. Each lot is compared to the previous lot by mass spectrometry to ensure maximum lot-to-lot consistency.

Entrez-Gene ID #12995 Swiss-Prot Acc. #Q60737

**Storage:**  $CK2\alpha$  siRNA I (Rodent Specific) is supplied in RNAse-free water. *Aliquot and store at -20°C*.

Please visit www.cellsignal.com for a complete listing of recommended companion products.

## **Background References:**

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