# SignalSilence® Cofilin siRNA I

 10μM in 300 μl (100 transfections)

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

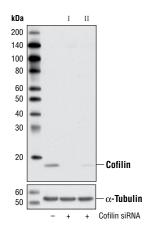
**Description:** SignalSilence<sup>®</sup> Cofilin siRNA I from Cell Signaling Technology (CST) allows the researcher to specifically inhibit cofilin expression using RNA interference, a method whereby gene expression can be selectively silenced through the delivery of double stranded RNA molecules into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

**Background:** Cofilin and ADF (actin-depolymerization factor) are members of a family of essential conserved small actin-binding proteins that play pivotal roles in cytokinesis, endocytosis, embryonic development, stress response and tissue regeneration (1). In response to stimuli, cofilin promotes the regeneration of actin filaments by severing preexisting filaments (2). The severing activity of cofilin is inhibited by LIMK or TESK phosphorylation at Ser3 of cofilin (3-5). Phosphorylation at Ser3 also regulates cofilin translocation from the nucleus to the cytoplasm (6).

**Directions for Use:** CST recommends transfection with 100 nM Cofilin siRNA I 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.

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.

**Specificity/ Sensitivity:** *SignalSilence® Cofilin siRNA I will inhibit human, mouse and rat Cofilin expression.* 



Western blot analysis of extracts from HeLa cells, transfected with 100 nM SignalSilence® Control siRNA (Unconjugated) #6568 (-), SignalSilence® Cofilin siRNA I (+) or SignalSilence® Cofilin siRNA II #6268 (+), using Cofilin (D59) Antibody #3318 (upper) or  $\alpha$ -Tubulin (11H10) Rabbit mAb #2125 (lower). The Cofilin (D59) Antibody confirms silencing of cofilin expression, while the  $\alpha$ -Tubulin (11H10) Rabbit mAb is used as a loading control.

#### Entrez-Gene ID #1072 Swiss-Prot Acc. #P23528

**Storage:** Cofilin siRNA I is supplied in RNAse-free water. Aliquot and store at -20°C.

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## **Background References:**

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 Applications Key:
 W—Western
 IP—Immunoprecipitation
 IHC—Immunohistochemistry
 ChIP—Chromatin Immunoprecipitation
 IF—Immunofluorescence
 F—Flow cytometry
 E-P—ELISA-Peptide

 Species Cross-Reactivity Key:
 H—human
 M—mouse
 R—rat
 Hm—hamster
 Mk—monkey
 Mi—mink
 C—chicken
 Dm—D. melanogaster
 X—xenopus
 Z—zebrafish
 B—bovine

 Dg—dog
 Pg—pig
 Sc—S. cerevisiae
 Ce—C. elegans
 Hr—Horse
 AII—all species expected
 Species enclosed in parentheses are predicted to react based on 100% homology.