## SignalSilence® eIF4E siRNA II (Mouse Specific)

10 μM in 300 μl (100 transfections)



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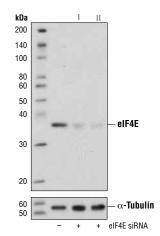
## Species Cross-Reactivity: M

**Description:** SignalSilence® eIF4E siRNA II (Mouse Specific) from Cell Signaling Technology (CST) allows the researcher to specifically inhibit eIF4E 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:** Eukaryotic initiation factor 4E (eIF4E) binds to the mRNA cap structure to mediate the initiation of translation (1,2). eIF4E interacts with eIF4G, a scaffold protein that promotes assembly of eIF4E and eIF4A into the eIF4F complex (2). eIF4B is thought to assist the eIF4F complex in translation initiation. Upon activation by mitogenic and/or stress stimuli mediated by Erk and p38 MAPK, Mnk1 phosphorylates eIF4E at Ser209 *in vivo* (3,4). Two Erk and p38 MAPK phosphorylation sites in mouse Mnk1 (Thr197 and Thr202) are essential for Mnk1 kinase activity (3). The carboxy-terminal region of eIF4G also contains serum-stimulated phosphorylation sites, including Ser1108, Ser1148, and Ser1192 (5). Phosphorylation at these sites is blocked by the PI3 kinase inhibitor LY294002 and by the FRAP/mTOR inhibitor rapamycin.

**Directions for Use:** CST recommends transfection with 100 nM SignalSilence® elF4E siRNA II (Mouse 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

**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.



Western blot analysis of extracts from C2C12 cells, transfected with 100 nM SignalSilence® Control siRNA (Unconjugated) #6568 (-), SignalSilence® elF4E siRNA I (Mouse Specific) #6424 (+), or SignalSilence® elF4E siRNA II (Mouse Specific) (+) using elF4E (C46H6) Rabbit mAb #2067 (upper) or  $\alpha$ -Tubulin (11H10) Rabbit mAb #2125 (lower). The elF4E (C46H6) Rabbit mAb confirms silencing of elF4E expression, while the  $\alpha$ -Tubulin (11H10) Rabbit mAb is used as a loading control

Entrez-Gene ID #1977 Swiss-Prot Acc. #P06730

**Storage:** eIF4E siRNA II (Mouse Specific) is supplied in RNAse-free water. *Aliquot and store at -20°C*.

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## **Background References:**

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