MIARE: Minimum Information About an RNAi Experiment
Reporting Checklist
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Minimum Information About an RNAi Experiment (MIARE) (www.miare.org)

Checklist of Required Information*

The purpose of this check-list is to guide and help experimentalists to ensure that the data supporting their results based on RNA interference experiments can be made publicly available, in a format that enables unambiguous interpretation of the data and potential verification of the conclusions.

The following check-list only contains mandatory information, describing the information that SHALL¹ be reported for an RNAi experiment. OPTIONAL information has been omitted and can be found in the full MIARE Reporting Guideline document at www.miare.org

Checklist

A. Assay description:

- A.1. Assay ID
- A.2. Assay name
- A.3. Assay type (primary/confirmatory/other)
- A.4. Target organism (Taxonomy ID)
- A.5. Number of distinct genes targeted for knock-down
- A.6. Experiment publication (PubMed ID)
- A.7. Primary contact information

B. Protocol:

B.1. Experimental description

- B.1.1. Experiment title
- B.1.2. Biological question description (including sample description and keywords)

B.2. Assay

- B.2.1. Assay protocol and design -(including number and description of replicates (biological/technical)
- B.2.2. Pre- and post-treatment (protocol/type/compound)
- B.2.3. Bio-material manipulations (including growth conditions/cell culture conditions and if applicable cell separation technique)
- B.2.4. Number of cells per well
- B.2.5. Compound(s) name (if applicable)
 - B.2.5.1. Assay reagent name
 - B.2.5.2. Assay reagent manufacturer
- B.2.6. Instrument (repeat this section for each instrument used)
 - B.2.6.1. Instrument name
 - B.2.6.2. Instrument manufacturer
 - B.2.6.3. Type of readout
 - B.2.6.4. Instrument settings

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B.3. Delivery

- B.3.1. Delivery type and protocol
 - B.3.1.1. Percentage of cell confluence (if applicable)
 - B.3.1.2. Complexing protocol
 - B.3.1.3. Complexing Time
- B.3.2. Delivery reagent
 - B.3.2.1. Delivery reagent type
 - B.3.2.2. Delivery reagent manufacturer
 - B.3.2.3. Delivery reagent name
 - B.3.2.4. Delivery reagent final concentration
- B.3.3. Silencing reagent final concentration

B.4. Silencing RNA reagent (Substance)

- B.4.1. Silencing RNA reagent ID
 - B.4.1.1. Probe ID (if applicable)
- B.4.2. Target gene ID or accession number (NCBI/EMBL/DDBJ)
- B.4.3. Target gene name (if available)
- B.4.4. Silencing RNA reagent sequence(s) (if available, cross-reference to GenBank ID)
- B.4.5. Silencing RNA reagent library description (provider/version number)
- B.4.6. Silencing RNA reagent type (if applicable)
- B.4.7. Unique silencing RNA molecules per reagent pool (if applicable)
- B.4.8. Modification(s) to silencing RNA reagent (if applicable)
- B.4.9. Taxonomy ID
- B.4.10. Vector/Plasmid reference (if applicable)
- B.4.11. Comments

B.5. Assay plate description

- B.5.1. Assay plate manufacturer
- B.5.2. Assay plate type

B.6. Assay plate

- B.6.1. Media changes
 - B.6.1.1. Media composition
 - B.6.1.2. Time of media change

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C. Results:

C.1. Data analysis

- C.1.1. Bioactivity outcome threshold
- C.1.2. Bioactivity score assignment method
- C.1.3. Data normalisation method
- C.1.4. Artefacts
- C.1.5. Data filtering description
- C.1.6. Data transformation details
- C.1.7. Analysis program
 - C.1.7.1. Analysis script description
 - C.1.7.2. Analysis Software (name/version)
- C.1.8. Quantitative data
 - C.1.8.1. Description of quantified data
- C.1.9. Qualitative data
 - C.1.9.1. Description of qualitative data

C.2. Result Definitions

- C.2.1. Data column definitions for assay results
 - C.2.1.1. Name
 - C.2.1.2. Data type (float, integer, string or NCBI Entrez database ID)
 - C.2.1.3. Unit
 - C.2.1.4. Description
 - C.2.1.5. Constraint (min, max, range or set of values)

C.3. Data

- C.3.1. Quantitative data
 - C.3.1.1. Unprocessed quantified data (raw data, if applicable)
 - C.3.1.2. Normalised quantified data
 - C.3.1.3. Scored data
 - C.3.1.3.1. Bioactivity outcome (active/inactive/inconclusive)
- C.3.2. Qualitative data
 - C.3.2.1. Qualitative data

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