IDT[™] miRNA Inhibitors

- 1. Centrifuge tubes before opening to ensure IDT miRNA Inhibitor is at the bottom of the tube.
- 2. Resuspend IDT miRNA Inhibitor in the appropriate volume of IDTE buffer or TE buffer toobtain the desired concentration. For example:

Product	Volume for 100 µM*
IDT miRNA Inhibitor, 5 nmol	50 µL
IDT miRNA Inhibitor, 20 nmol	200 µL
IDT miRNA Inhibitor, 250 nmol	2500 µL

* Further dilutions of IDT miRNA Inhibitors can be made using IDTE or TE buffer.

- 3. Store resuspended IDT miRNA Inhibitors at -20°C for up to 24 months.
 - **Note:** See next page for transfection tips.

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Tips for transfection of IDT miRNA Inhibitors into cultured cells

Successful miRNA modulation experiments require high transfection efficiency of the miRNA inhibitors into cells. We recommend the following tips:

- Typically, use methods similar to those designed for siRNA transfection (e.g., cationic lipids or electroporation).
- Perform preliminary experiments to optimize transfection conditions for primary or difficult-to-transfect cells.

Because miRNA function is based on recognition of a seed region rather than complete homology between miRNA and target, a single miRNA can regulate tens to hundreds of genes whose sequences do not share exact complementarity with the miRNA. Therefore, inhibition of a single miRNA could affect the expression of many genes. We recommend the following:

• Use the lowest possible amount of IDT miRNA Inhibitors that results in the desired phenotype.

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