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**Sequence of the cDNA for one acidic ribosomal protein of *Schizosaccharomyces pombe***


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We have sequenced a  $\lambda$ gt11 clone from a *Schizosaccharomyces pombe* cDNA library (provided by Dr. Paul Nurse, ICRF Laboratories, London). The open reading frames were translated into aminoacid sequences and compared to the NBRF protein data bank: one of them proved to be strikingly similar to acidic ribosomal proteins from several organisms. Additional literature searches revealed that the first 40 amino-terminal residues of this open reading frame are identical to the sequence obtained by Edman degradation from one of the purified cytoplasmic ribosomal proteins of *S. pombe*, the one indicated by the authors as SP-L40c (1). Moreover, the deduced aminoacid composition matches exactly that determined by the same authors. These data allowed us to identify the sequence reported below as the *S. pombe* SP-L40c ribosomal protein. It is composed of 110 aminoacids (mw 11 158), has a high alanine content and a net charge of -17. These are hallmarks of the A-type ribosomal protein family, the eukaryotic counterpart of *Escherichia coli* L7/L12 ribosomal protein (2).

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GTCAAAATGAAGTACCTTGACGCTTATTTACTCTTGACCGTTGGTGGAAAGGACTCCCCTTCGCTTCTGATATC  
 MetLysTyrLeuAlaAlaTyrLeuLeuLeuThrValGlyGlyLysAspSerProSerAlaSerAspIle

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GAGTCTGTTTTGTCTACTGTCGGTATTGAAGCTGAATCTGAGCGCATTGAAACTTTGATCAACGAGCTTAACGGT  
 GluSerValLeuSerThrValGlyIleGluAlaGluSerGluArgIleGluThrLeuIleAsnGluLeuAsnGly

151

AAGGATATCGACGAGCTCATCGCTGCTGGTAAACGAGAAGCTTGCTACTGTCCCACTGGTGGTCTGCTTCTGCT  
 LysAspIleAspGluLeuIleAlaAlaGlyAsnGluLysLeuAlaThrValProThrGlyGlyAlaAlaSerAla

226

GCTCTGCCGCCGCTGCTGGCGGTGCTGCCCTGCTGCTGAGGAGGCTGCTAAGGAGGAAGCCAAGGAAGAGGAG  
 AlaProAlaAlaAlaAlaGlyGlyAlaAlaProAlaAlaGluGluAlaAlaLysGluGluAlaLysGluGluGlu

301

GAATCTGATGAAGACATGGGTTTCGGTCTTTTCGACTAAACCAAATGATCCCTTGTTTTTCATTACGCTTTCATAA  
 GluSerAspGluAspMetGlyPheGlyLeuPheAsp\*\*\*

376

AAATAAATCGCCGTGTTGGTTTTATTTTACCA<sub>15</sub>

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