

# Nucleotide sequence of the integrase (IN) gene of an endogenous murine leukemia retroviral DNA

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We report the nucleotide (1) and predicted amino acid sequence of a complete IN gene of an endogenous mink cell focus-forming (MCF)-related murine leukemia virus (MuLV) DNA, B-34, which was cloned from a BALB/c mouse embryo DNA library (2). The B-34 IN gene had 82% nucleotide sequence homology and 86% amino acid sequence homology with the IN gene of a known infectious AKR ecotropic MuLV DNA (3). The majority of differences were due to base substitutions except for a 12 bp insertion (nucleotides 1159–1170 in the figure) resulting in 4 additional amino acids in B-34 DNA. The presence of the latter sequence is unique to endogenous MCF-related MuLV DNAs (4). B-34 IN gene had 96% nucleotide and amino acid sequence

homology to the IN gene of another endogenous MuLV DNA cloned from a RFM/Un mouse; the latter however had a premature termination codon located 19 amino acids from the 3' end of IN (5). We are currently investigating the biological properties of B-34 IN.

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I E A S T P Y T P D F F H Y T E T D I K N L R E L G A T Y D
1 ATAGAGGCCTCAACCCCGTACACTCCAGACTTCTTCATTATACTGAAACAGATATAAGAACCTACGAGAGTTGGAGGCCACATATGAT
R E K K Y W V L Q G K P V M P D Q F T F E L L D F L H Q L T
91 AGAGAGAAAAAAATATGGGTCTGCAAGGTAACCTGTGATGCCGCTGACCAGTTCACCTTGAAATTATTAGACTTCCTTCACCAAGCTCACC
H L S Y Q K M R A L L D R K E S P Y Y M L N K D K I L H E V
181 CACCTTAGCTATCAGAAGATGAGGGCACTTCTAGACAGAAAAGAAAGCCCCATTACATGCTAAATAAGATAAGATCCTCACGAGGTG
A E S C Q A C V Q V N A S K A K V G P G V R V R G H R P G T
217 GCGGAATCATGCCAAGCCTGTGCTCAAGTAAATGCCAGTAAAGCTAAGGTGGTCCGGGGTGCGAGTAAGAGGACATCGACCAAGGCACC
H W E I D F T E V R P G L Y G H K Y L L V F V D T F S G W V
361 CATTGGGAAATTGACTTTACTGAAGTAAGGCCGGACTGTATGGGCATAAGTATCTCTGGTTGGACACGTTCTGGCTGGCTGGGTG
E A F P T K H E T A K V V T K K L L E E I F P R F G M P Q V
451 GAAGCCTTCCCAACCAAGCATGAGACTGCCAAAGTTGTGACCAAAAGCTCTAGAAGAAATATTCCAAGGTTGGAATGCCCAAGTA
L G T D N G P A F V S Q V S Q S V A K L L G I D W K L H C A
541 TTGGGGACTGATAATGGGCCTGCCCTCGTCTCCCAGGTAAAGTCAGTCGGTGGCAAGCTACTGGGATTGATTGGAAACTACATTGTCT
Y R P Q S S G Q V E R M N R T I K E T L T K L T L A T G T R
631 TACAGACCCCAGAGTTCAAGTCAGGTAGAAAAGAATGAATAGGACAATCAAGGAGACTTGTACCAAGGAAATTAAACGTTGCAACTGGCACTAGA
D W V L L L P L A L Y R A R N T P G P H G L T P Y E I L Y G
721 GACTGGGTACTCCTACTTCCCTGGCCCTCTACCGAGCCGCAACACTCCGGGCCCCATGGACTCACTCCGTATGAAATCCTGTATGGG
A P P P L V N F H D P E M S K F T N S P S L Q A H L Q A L Q
811 GCGCCCCCGCCCTTGTAAATTCCATGATCCTGAAATGTCAAAGTTACTAATAGCCCCTCTCCAAGCTCACTTACAGGCCCTCAA
D T V W V R R H Q T K N L E P R W K G P Y T V L L T T P T A
901 GCGGTACAACGAGAGGGTCTGGAAAGCCCTCTGGCCGCTGCCTATCAGGACCAACAAGACCAGCCTGTGATACCAACACCCCTCCTGGTCGGC
A V Q R E V W K P L A A A Y Q D Q Q D Q P V I P H P F L V G
991 GACACCGTGTGGGTACGCCGGCACCAAGACTAAGAACTTGGAAACCTCGCTGGAAAGGCCCTACACCGTCTGCTGACCACCCCCACCGCT
L K V D G I A A W I H A A H V K A A T T P P A G T A S G P T
1081 CTCAAAGTAGACGGCATCGCTCGTGGATCCACGCCGCTCACGTAAGCAGGGACAAACCCCTCCGGCCGGAACAGCATCAGGACCGACA
W K V Q R S Q N P L K I R L T R G P P *
1171 TGGAAGGTCCAGCGTTCTAAACCCCTAAAGATAAGATTAACCGTGGCCCCCTGA

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