

Nucleotide sequence of the *Sesbania rostrata* leghemoglobin (*Srglb3*) gene

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Sesbania rostrata is a tropical leguminous shrub, which can be nodulated on the stem, as well as the root by its nitrogen fixing symbiont *Azorhizobium caulinodans* ORS 571 (1, 2). Using a heterologous *lb* gene probe from soybean (*lbc3*), we isolated a *lb* cDNA and subsequently two genomic *lb* loci from *S. rostrata* (3). The nucleotide and deduced amino acid sequence of one of these *lb* loci (*Srglb3*) is shown in Fig. 1. The first 25 amino acids of GLb3 and GLb2 (3) are identical to those determined for *S. rostrata* LbVI and VII by protein sequencing (4). Inspection of the amino acid differences between GLb3 and 2 and their chromatographic properties (4) suggests that *Srglb2* encodes LbVI and *Srglb3* LbVII.

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E K Q E A L V N A S Y E A F K Q N L P G N S V L F Y S F
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Fig. 1: Nucleotide sequence of the *Srglb3* locus. Start and stop codons are highlighted in black. CAAT- and TATA-boxes are underlined. Major transcriptional start site (3) is indicated by a highlighted T. The single base pair gap at the end of the first exon indicates Phe codon (TT T) disruption by the intron. Base pairs highlighted in grey indicate single base pair differences between the *glb2* and 3 loci in the coding regions.

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