## Genomic sequence of IGLV1S2, a human immunoglobulin variable lambda gene belonging to subgroup I

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Only three genomic sequences of human immunoglobulin variable lambda genes have been published (reviewed in ref. 1). We report the second genomic sequence of a V $\lambda$  gene belonging to subgroup I. A clone (cosmid 8.3) was isolated by screening a cosmid library made from the human tumor cell line COLO 320 HSR DNA (2) with the V $\lambda$ II probe pV $\lambda$ 2EK0.3 (3). The cosmid 8.3 clone contains a V $\lambda$  gene which was identified by cross hybridization to that probe at low stringency. This IGLV gene was shown by sequencing, to belong to subgroup I according to reference 1, and was designated as V $\lambda$ 1.2 or IGLV1S2 since it represents the second genomic sequence of a V $\lambda$ I subgroup gene (4) ('IGLV1S' stands for 'human immunoglobulin lambda variable gene belonging to subgroup I', 'IGLV1S2' stands for V $\lambda$ 1.2 following the Human Gene Mapping recommendations (HGM9)). The translation of the sequence shows a peptide leader of 19 codons with a 109 base pair intron. The heptamer-nonamer recombination signal sequences are underlined. The IGLV1S2 gene encodes a V $\lambda$  region with a 6 amino acid CDR1 region as this is observed in the V $\lambda$ I LOC, MEM, NEWM and HA proteins (see ref. 1). The analysis of the deduced protein sequence of IGLV1S2 shows that the protein NEWM (5) is most probably encoded by the IGLV1S2 gene.

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