## Nucleotide sequence of the cDNA encoding the rat argininosuccinate synthetase

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Argininosuccinate synthetase is a key cytoplasmic enzyme in the mammalian urea cycle. The cDNA and genomic clones encoding the human gene have been isolated and characterized (1, 2). By screening with a human cDNA clone, a 1495 bp clone was isolated from a rat kidney cDNA library. A protein of 412 amino acids is coded with 97% identity to the human enzyme. At a nucleotide level, there is 89% identity over the translated region. In the human, the AUG start codon is in exon 3. There are 14 bp 5' to the start site in the rat clone analysed, with only 5 out of these 14 nucleotides being identical with the human. In the 3' untranslated region, there is an overall 75% identity, with an internal region of 25 nucleotides having 92% identity to the human.

-14: CAME COMMERCIANG MEG TOC MAC AND GOC TOT ONG GET CIG GOC TAC MET GOT GOT GOT GOT GOC MC CIC ONG CIC GOT TOG CITG ANG GAM 79: CMA GOC THE GME GRE ARE GOC THE CRG GOC AME AND GOL GME GAA GRE THE GME GMA GOC AGG AMG AMG GOL CHE AMG CTT GGG GOC 27: O G Y D Y I A Y L A N I G O K E D F R R A R K R A L K L G A 169: ANA ANG GRETTE MIT CHE CHI GRA NGE ANG CHE TIT GRE CHA CHE TRE COT GET GRE CHE TOE NOT CEA CHE TRE GRE GRE COE 259: THE CHC CTA GGC NOW TOT CHC GGC NAG COT TGC NIA GGT CGC ANA CHA GGG GGA NIT GGC CHG CGC GNA GGG GGC ANG TRE GTG TGT CHC 349: GOC GOC NOS GOS ANG GOC ANT GAC CAS GAC COC TTT GAS CAC CAC TOC TAC TOC TTA GOA COC CAS ATT ANG GAC ANT GOC COC TAG AGE 439: ANG COC GAG TTT TAC ANC COG TTC AMG GOC COGA AMT GAT TEG REG GAA TAC GCA AMG CAA CHT GGA ANC COC ANC COT GTC ACC COC AMG 529: MCC COC TOGS MCC MTG GMT GMG AMC CTT MTG CMC MTC MCC TMC GMG GCT GGA MTC CTG GMA AMC COC AMG AMC CMA GCA CCT CCA GGT CTC 619: THE HEA HAN HET CHE GRE CUT GUE HAN GEN COE AME HOE CUN GRE GRE CTT GRE HAN GAN THE HAN HAN GGE GRE CUT GRE AME GRE ACE 709: AND ONE MAN GRE GGG NOT NOC CHO NGC NGA TOC THE GRO CHO THE RIG THE CHE MAN GRE GGG GGC AND CHE GGA GHA GGG GGC ATT 227; N V K D G T T H R T R I. D I. P M V I. N R V A G K H G V G R I 799: GHC MIC GING GING AND COST THE MIT GOA MIG ANG THE GOOD GOT MIC THE GING ACC COA GOA ACC MIC CIT THE CAC GET CMT THA GAC 979: CHC MAC COT GAA TOT GAA TET GET CAC CHC TOC MEC GHC AMG TOC CHG GAA COG GEG GAA GOA AMG GEG CHG GEA TOT GEC TEC AMG GAC 327: H S P E C E F V R H C I D K S Q E R V E G K V Q V S V F K G 1069: CHG GUTC THC NTC CTT GGC CGG GHG TCT CCA CTT TCA CDA THC AMT GAA GHG CTG GUTG AGC NUG AAC GUTA CAG GGT GAC THT GAA CCC NTT 357: Q V Y I L G R E S P L S L Y N E E L V S M N V C G D Y E P I 1159: GRY GCC MCC GGC THC MCC AME MCC TGG CTC MGG CTG AMG GMG TMC CMF CGC CTF CMG MGC AMG GTC MCC GGC AMA TMG A COGMICACAMA
387: D A T G P I H I H S L R L K R Y H R L O S K V T A K \*\*\* GRAZIOSSAC CHOOCOCIC TRCARCICCIC COMBUCTICA GUNTANTIS TRUTININA TITUTANTIS TRUTINITIC TRCTITUTC TRCTICACIC TRACTICAGA RECOGNIZA CONTINUOT COCCOCICC CHCHGGUTTI GITCOLTRAT COCCERNAC CERCANANAS GUNCHICURA GUNHAGONG GUNGGONG

Figure 1. Nucleotide and amino acid sequence of rat argininosuccinate synthetase.

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