## Human ribosomal protein S20 cDNA sequence

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The mammalian ribosome is a complex system which is comprised of four ribosomal RNA molecules and as many as 80 ribosomal proteins. Determining the primary structure of the ribosomal components is important for understanding its role in protein synthesis. A cDNA clone which encodes human ribosomal protein S20 has been isolated from a cDNA library constructed using poly (A<sup>+</sup>) RNA from human dermal vascular endothelial cells. The 505 nucleotide-long cDNA insert of the human ribosomal protein S20 clone consists of 113 nucleotides of 5' noncoding sequence, a 360 nucleotide open reading frame, and 32 nucleotides of the 3' untranslated region, followed by a 40 bp poly A tail. The presumed polyadenylation signal, AATAAA, is located at bases 486-491. Nucleotide sequence comparison over the open reading frame exhibits a 91% sequence homology to that of rat ribosomal protein S20 (1). The amino acid sequence deduced from the open reading frame encodes a protein of 119 amino acid residues which is identical to the rat S20 amino acid sequence. The highly conserved primary structure of ribosomal proteins across species has been observed for many other known ribosomal proteins (2). The size of the mRNA of human ribosomal protein S20 is approximately 650 bp as demonstrated by Northern analysis. Southern blot analysis of human genomic DNA shows multiple hybridization bands (11-13 bands), suggesting that human ribosomal protein S20 may be a member of a multigene family.

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Human Rat	1	AAGACGCGGTCGTAAGGGCTGAGGATTTTTGGTCCGCACGCTCCTGCTCC T.C.TGCT.TGGAGCCTTGT.AAGTCTG.TCTG
Human Rat	51	TGACTCACCGCTGTTCGCCTCTCGCCGAGGAACAAGTCGGTCAGGAAGCCC 
Human Rat	101	M A F K D T G K T P V E P GCGCGCAACAGCCATGGCTTTTAAGGATACCGGAAAAACACCCGTGGAGC CTAAGG
Human Rat	151	E V A I H R I R I T L T S R N V CGGAGGTGGCAATTCACCGAATTCGAATCACCCTAACAAGCCGCAACGTA .CAGG
Human Rat	201	K S L E K V C A D L I R G A K E K ANATCCTTGGANAAGGTGTGTGTGTGTGACTTGATAAGAGGGGGCANAAGAAAA GGC
Human Rat	251	N L K V K G P V R M P T K T L R I GAATCTCAAAGTGAAAGGACCAGTTCGAATGCCTACCAAGACTTTGAGAA G
Human Rat	301	T T R K T P C G E G S K T W D R TCACTACAAGAAAAACTCCTTGTGGTGAAGGTTCTAAGACGTGGGATCGT CCC
Human Rat	351	F Q M R I H K R L I D L H S P S E TTCCAGATGAGAATTCACAAGCGACTCATTGACTTGCACAGTCCTTCTGA
Human Rat	401	I V K Q I T S I S I E P G V E V E GATTGTTAAGCAGATTACTTCCATCAGTATTGAGCCAGGAGTTGAGGTGG 
Human Rat	451	V Т I A D A End Алдтсассаттдсадатдстталдтсалстаттт <u>алтала</u> ттдатдасс 
Human	501	AGTTA <sub>(n)</sub>

Figure 1. Nucleotide and deduced amino acid sequences of the human ribosomal protein S20 cDNA and comparison with the rat S20 nucleotide sequence. The dot represents identity with the human sequence and dashes are introduced to achieve maximum alignment. The presumed polyadenylation signal AATAAA is underlined.

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