

### Nucleotide sequence of an intronless gene for a human arylamine N-acetyltransferase related to polymorphic drug acetylation

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A genetic polymorphism of liver arylamine N-acetyltransferase (NAT; EC 2.3.1.5) activity in man causes interindividual variation in the response to a variety of amine drugs and potential carcinogens (1). We screened a human  $\lambda$ EMBL3 genomic library, constructed using DNA from a heterozygous rapid acetylator, using a cDNA specific for rabbit liver NAT (2). Below is shown the complete nucleotide sequence of a 1891 bp EcoRI fragment from one of the positive clones which contains an open reading frame with the potential to encode a human NAT. The gene contains no introns and shows 82% and 61% homology in the coding region to cDNAs for rabbit (2) and chicken (3) liver NAT, respectively. The fragment was expressed using the SV40-based vector p91023(B) in COS-1 cells to produce a protein with enzyme activity characteristic of a genetically polymorphic human NAT (4).

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