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(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to isolated polypeptides having antimicrobial activity and isolated polynucleotides encoding the polypeptides. The invention also relates to nucleic acid constructs, vectors, and host cells comprising the polynucleotides as well as methods for producing and using the polypeptides.



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Box II Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)

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because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:
Although claim 29 (as far as an in vivo method is concerned) is directed to a method of treatment of the human/animal body, the search has been carried out and based on the alleged effects of the compound/composition.
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1. claims: 1-22, 27-32 all partially

Polypeptide having antimicrobial activity represented by the amino acid sequence ID no.2 and its DNA encoding it represented by the polynucleotide sequence ID no.1. Recombinant expression vector. Host cell. Method for producing it by genetic engineering. Uses in medicine, in animal feed, in transgenic plants.

2. claims: 1-22, 27-32 all partially

Polypeptide having antimicrobial activity represented by the amino acid sequence ID no.4 and its DNA encoding it represented by the polynucleotide sequence ID no.3. Recombinant expression vector. Host cell. Method for producing it by genetic engineering. Uses in medicine, in animal feed, in transgenic plants.

3. claims: 1-22, 27-32 all partially

Polypeptide having antimicrobial activity represented by the amino acid sequence ID no.8 and its DNA encoding it represented by the polynucleotide sequence ID no.7. Recombinant expression vector. Host cell. Method for producing it by genetic engineering. Uses in medicine, in animal feed, in transgenic plants.

4. claims: 1-22, 27-32 all partially

Polypeptide having antimicrobial activity represented by the amino acid sequence ID no.6 and its DNA encoding it represented by the polynucleotide sequence ID no.5. Recombinant expression vector. Host cell. Method for producing it by genetic engineering. Uses in medicine, in animal feed, in transgenic plants.

5. claims: 1-22, 27-32 all partially

Polypeptide having antimicrobial activity represented by the amino acid sequence ID no.10 and its DNA encoding it represented by the polynucleotide sequence ID no.9. Recombinant expression vector. Host cell. Method for producing it by genetic engineering. Uses in medicine, in animal feed, in transgenic plants.

6. claims: 23-26

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A nucleic acid construct comprising a gene encoding a protein linked to one or both of a first nucleotide sequence encoding a signal peptide consisting of nucleotides 1-60 of sequence ID no.1 or nucleotides 1-66 of sequence ID no.5 or nucleotides 1-66 of sequence ID no.7 or nucleotides 1-66 of sequence ID no.9 and a second nucleotide sequence encoding a propeptide consisting of nucleotides 61-150 of the sequence ID no.1, wherein the gene is foreign to the first and to the second nucleotide sequences. A recombinant vector and a host cell comprising this construct.
