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(57) **ABSTRACT**

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The present invention is directed to novel polypeptides and to nucleic acid molecules encoding those polypeptides. Also provided herein are vectors and host cells comprising those nucleic acid sequences, chimeric polypeptide molecules comprising the polypeptides of the present invention fused to heterologous polypeptide sequences, antibodies which bind to the polypeptides of the present invention and to methods for producing the polypeptides of the present invention.

FIGURE 1

CGGACGCGTGGGACCCATACTTGCTGGTCTGATCCATGCACAAGGCGGGGCTGCTAGGCCTC
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FIGURE 2

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><subunit 1 of 1, 278 aa, 1 stop

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 AGIVSFLCSEDASYITGETVVVGGGTPSRL

Important features of the protein:

Signal peptide:

amino acids 1-15

N-glycosylation site.

amino acids 183-186

N-myristoylation sites.

amino acids 43-48, 80-85, 191-196, 213-218, 272-277

Microbodies C-terminal targeting signal.

amino acids 276-278

FIGURE 3

GCGCCCTGAGCTCCGCCTCCGGGCCCCGATAGCGGCATCGAGAGCGCCTCCGTCGAGGACCAGGCGGCG
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FIGURE 4

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APRTREETRD LVHAPLPLTWKRSSLCGEEQGSPEELRQREAAEPLVGRVLPVGEAGLPWNFG
PLSKPRRELRRASPGMIDVRKNPL

Important features:**Leucine zipper pattern.**

amino acids 557-579, 794-815

N-glycosylation sites.

amino acids 133-136, 383-386

Kinesin related protein Kif-4 Coiled-coil domain:

amino acids 231-672

FIGURE 5

ATTCTCCTAGAGCATCTTTGGAAGCATGAGGCCACGATGCTGCATCTTGGCTCTTGTCTGCT
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FIGURE 6

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Important features:

Signal sequence

amino acids 1-21

N-myristoylation sites.

amino acids 33-39, 70-76

FIGURE 7

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FIGURE 8

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Important features of the protein:

Signal peptide:

amino acids 1-27

Transmembrane domain:

amino acids 11-30

Glycosaminoglycan attachment site.

amino acids 80-83

N-myristoylation sites.

amino acids 10-15, 102-107, 103-108

Cell attachment sequence.

amino acids 114-117

EGF-like domain cysteine pattern signature.

amino acids 176-187

FIGURE 9

CAGCCACAGACGGGTCATGAGCGCGGTATTACTGCTGGCCCTCCTGGGGTTCATCCTCCCAC
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FIGURE 10

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Important features of the protein:

Signal peptide:

amino acids 1-15

Transmembrane domain:

amino acids 243-260

N-glycosylation sites.

amino acids 46-49, 189-192, 382-385

Glycosaminoglycan attachment sites.

amino acids 51-54, 359-362

N-myristoylation sites.

amino acids 54-59, 75-80, 141-146, 154-159, 168-173, 169-174,
198-203, 254-259, 261-266, 269-274, 284-289, 333-338, 347-352,
360-365, 361-366, 388-393, 408-413, 419-424

FIGURE 11

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FIGURE 12

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><subunit 1 of 1, 487 aa, 1 stop

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Important features:

Signal sequence

amino acids 1-30

N-glycosylation sites.

amino acids 242-246, 481-485

N-myristoylation sites.

amino acids 107-113, 113-119, 117-123, 118-124, 128-134

Endoplasmic reticulum targeting sequence.

amino acids 484-489

FIGURE 13

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FIGURE 14

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Important features of the protein:

Signal peptide:

amino acids 1-30

Transmembrane domain:

amino acids 243-263

N-glycosylation sites.

amino acids 104-107, 192-195

cAMP- and cGMP-dependent protein kinase phosphorylation site.

amino acids 107-110

Casein kinase II phosphorylation site.

amino acids 106-109, 296-299

Tyrosine kinase phosphorylation site.

amino acids 69-77

N-myristoylation sites.

amino acids 26-31, 215-220, 226-231, 243-248, 244-249, 262-267

FIGURE 15

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FIGURE 16

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Important features:

Signal peptide:

amino acids 1-16

cAMP- and cGMP-dependent protein kinase phosphorylation sites.

amino acids 154-158, 331-335, 616-620, 785-789, 891-895

N-myristoylation sites.

amino acids 91-97, 136-142, 224-230, 435-441, 439-445, 443-449,
665-671, 698-704

Amidation sites.

amino acids 329-333, 634-638

FIGURE 18

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Important features:

Signal sequence

amino acids 1-23

N-glycosylation sites.

amino acids 5-9, 87-91, 103-107, 465-469

N-myristoylation sites.

amino acids 6-12, 136-142, 370-376, 509-515

SECRETED AND TRANSMEMBRANE POLYPEPTIDES AND NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING THE SAME

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

[0001] The present invention relates generally to the identification and isolation of novel DNA and to the recombinant production of novel polypeptides.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

[0002] Extracellular proteins play important roles in, among other things, the formation, differentiation and maintenance of multicellular organisms. The fate of many individual cells, e.g., proliferation, migration, differentiation, or interaction with other cells, is typically governed by information received from other cells and/or the immediate environment. This information is often transmitted by secreted polypeptides (for instance, mitogenic factors, survival factors, cytotoxic factors, differentiation factors, neuropeptides, and hormones) which are, in turn, received and interpreted by diverse cell receptors or membrane-bound proteins. These secreted polypeptides or signaling molecules normally pass through the cellular secretory pathway to reach their site of action in the extracellular environment.

[0003] Secreted proteins have various industrial applications, including as pharmaceuticals, diagnostics, biosensors and bioreactors. Most protein drugs available at present, such as thrombolytic agents, interferons, interleukins, erythropoietins, colony stimulating factors, and various other cytokines, are secretory proteins. Their receptors, which are membrane proteins, also have potential as therapeutic or diagnostic agents. Efforts are being undertaken by both industry and academia to identify new, native secreted proteins. Many efforts are focused on the screening of mammalian recombinant DNA libraries to identify the coding sequences for novel secreted proteins. Examples of screening methods and techniques are described in the literature [see, for example, Klein et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci.* 93:7108-7113 (1996); U.S. Pat. No. 5,536,637].

[0004] Membrane-bound proteins and receptors can play important roles in, among other things, the formation, differentiation and maintenance of multicellular organisms. The fate of many individual cells, e.g., proliferation, migration, differentiation, or interaction with other cells, is typically governed by information received from other cells and/or the immediate environment. This information is often transmitted by secreted polypeptides (for instance, mitogenic factors, survival factors, cytotoxic factors, differentiation factors, neuropeptides, and hormones) which are, in turn, received and interpreted by diverse cell receptors or membrane-bound proteins. Such membrane-bound proteins and cell receptors include, but are not limited to, cytokine receptors, receptor kinases, receptor phosphatases, receptors involved in cell-cell interactions, and cellular adhesion molecules like selectins and integrins. For instance, transduction of signals that regulate cell growth and differentiation is regulated in part by phosphorylation of various cellular proteins. Protein tyrosine kinases, enzymes that catalyze that process, can also act as growth factor receptors. Examples include fibroblast growth factor receptor and nerve growth factor receptor.

[0005] Membrane-bound proteins and receptor molecules have various industrial applications, including as pharma-

ceutical and diagnostic agents. Receptor immunoadhesins, for instance, can be employed as therapeutic agents to block receptor-ligand interactions. The membrane-bound proteins can also be employed for screening of potential peptide or small molecule inhibitors of the relevant receptor/ligand interaction.

[0006] Efforts are being undertaken by both industry and academia to identify new, native receptor or membrane-bound proteins. Many efforts are focused on the screening of mammalian recombinant DNA libraries to identify the coding sequences for novel receptor or membrane-bound proteins.

[0007] 1. PRO1800

[0008] Hep27 protein is synthesized and accumulated in the nucleus of human hepatoblastoma cells (HepG2 cells) following growth arrest induced by butyrate treatment (Gabielli et al., *Eur. J. Biochem.* 232:473-477 (1995)). The synthesis of Hep27 is inhibited in cells that, released from the butyrate block, have resumed DNA synthesis. The Hep27 protein sequence shows significant homology to the known short-chain alcohol dehydrogenase (SCAD) family of proteins and it has been suggested that Hep27 is a new member of the SCAD family of proteins. In agreement with its nuclear localization, Hep27 has a region similar to the bipartite nuclear-targeting sequence and Hep27 mRNA expression and protein synthesis suggests the existence of a regulation at the post-transcriptional level.

[0009] We herein describe the identification and characterization of novel polypeptides having homology to Hep27 protein, designated herein as PRO1800 polypeptides.

[0010] 2. PRO539

[0011] Development of multicellular organisms depends, at least in part, on mechanisms which specify, direct or maintain positional information to pattern cells, tissues, or organs. Various secreted signaling molecules, such as members of the transforming growth factor-beta (TGF- β), Wnt, fibroblast growth factors and hedgehog families have been associated with patterning activity of different cells and structures in *Drosophila* as well as in vertebrates. Perrimon, *Cell* 80:517-520 (1995).

[0012] Costal-2 is a novel kinesin-related protein in the Hedgehog signaling pathway. Hedgehog (Hh) was first identified as a segment-polarity gene by a genetic screen in *Drosophila melanogaster*; Nusslein-Volhard et al., *Roux. Arch. Dev. Biol.* 193: 267-282 (1984), that plays a wide variety of developmental functions. Perrimon, supra. Although only one *Drosophila* Hh gene has been identified, three mammalian Hh homologues have been isolated: Sonic Hh (SHh), Desert Hh (DHH) and Indian Hh (IHH), Echelard et al., *Cell* 75: 1417-30 (1993); Riddle et al., *Cell* 75: 1401-16 (1993). SHh is expressed at high level in the notochord and floor plate of developing vertebrate embryos. In vitro explant assays as well as ectopic expression of SHh in transgenic animals show that SHh plays a key role in neuronal tube patterning, Echelard et al., supra., Krauss et al., *Cell* 75, 1432-44 (1993), Riddle et al., *Cell* 75: 1401-16 (1993), Roelink et al., *Cell* 81: 445-55 (1995). In vitro explant assays as well as ectopic expression of SHh in transgenic animals show that SHh plays a key role in neural tube patterning, Echelard et al. (1993), supra.; Ericson et al., *Cell* 81: 747-56 (1995); Marti et al., *Nature* 375: 322-5

(1995); Roelink et al. (1995), supra; Hynes et al., *Neuron* 19: 15-26 (1997). Hh also plays a role in the development of limbs (Krauss et al., *Cell* 75: 1431-44 (1993); Laufer et al., *Cell* 79, 993-1003 (1994)), somites (Fan and Tessier-Lavigne, *Cell* 79, 1175-86 (1994); Johnson et al., *Cell* 79: 1165-73 (1994)), lungs (Bellusci et al., *Develop.* 124: 53-63 (1997) and skin (Oro et al., *Science* 276: 817-21 (1997). Likewise, IHH and DHH are involved in bone, gut and germinal cell development, Apelqvist et al., *Curr. Biol.* 7: 801-4 (1997); Bellusci et al., *Dev. Suppl.* 124: 53-63 (1997); Bitgood et al., *Curr. Biol.* 6: 298-304 (1996); Roberts et al., *Development* 121: 3163-74 (1995). SHh knockout mice further strengthened the notion that SHh is critical to many aspect of vertebrate development, Chiang et al., *Nature* 383: 407-13 (1996). These mice show defects in midline structures such as the notochord and the floor plate, absence of ventral cell types in neural tube, absence of distal limb structures, cyclopia, and absence of the spinal column and most of the ribs.

[0013] At the cell surface, the Hh signals is thought to be relayed by the 12 transmembrane domain protein Patched (Ptc) [Hooper and Scott, *Cell* 59: 751-65 (1989); Nakano et al., *Nature* 341: 508-13 (1989)] and the G-protein coupled like receptor Smoothened (Smo) [Alcedo et al., *Cell* 86: 221-232 (1996); van den Heuvel and Ingham, *Nature* 382: 547-551 (1996)]. Both genetic and biochemical evidence support a receptor model where Ptc and Smo are part of a multicomponent receptor complex, Chen and Struhl, *Cell* 87: 553-63 (1996); Marigo et al., *Nature* 384: 176-9 (1996); Stone et al., *Nature* 384: 129-34 (1996). Upon binding of Hh to Ptc, the normal inhibitory effect of Ptc on Smo is relieved, allowing Smo to transduce the Hh signal across the plasma membrane. Loss of function mutations in the Ptc gene have been identified in patients with the basal cell nevus syndrome (BCNS), a hereditary disease characterized by multiple basal cell carcinomas (BCCs). Disfunctional Ptc gene mutations have also been associated with a large percentage of sporadic basal cell carcinoma tumors, Chidambaram et al., *Cancer Research* 56: 4599-601 (1996); Gailani et al., *Nature Genet.* 14: 78-81 (1996); Hahn et al., *Cell* 85: 841-51 (1996); Johnson et al., *Science* 272: 1668-71 (1996); Uden et al., *Cancer Res.* 56: 4562-5; Wicking et al., *Am. J. Hum. Genet.* 60: 21-6 (1997). Loss of Ptc function is thought to cause an uncontrolled Smo signaling in basal cell carcinoma. Similarly, activating Smo mutations have been identified in sporadic BCC tumors (Xie et al., *Nature* 391: 90-2 (1998)), emphasizing the role of Smo as the signaling subunit in the receptor complex for SHh. However, the exact mechanism by which Ptc controls Smo activity still has yet to be clarified and the signaling mechanisms by which the Hh signal is transmitted from the receptor to downstream targets also remain to be elucidated. Genetic epistatic analysis in *Drosophila* has identified several segment-polarity genes which appear to function as components of the Hh signal transduction pathway, Ingham, *Curr. Opin. Genet. Dev.* 5: 492-8 (1995); Perrimon, supra. These include a kinesin-like molecule, Costal-2 (Cos-2) [Robbins et al., *Cell* 90: 225-34 (1997); Sisson et al., *Cell* 90: 235-45 (1997)], a protein designated fused [Preat et al., *Genetics* 135: 1047-62 (1990); Therond et al., *Proc. Natl Acad Sci. USA* 93: 4224-8 (1996)], a novel molecule with unknown function designated Suppressor of fused [Pham et al., *Genetics* 140: 587-98 (1995); Preat, *Genetics* 132: 725-36 (1992)] and a zinc finger protein Ci. [Alexandre et al., *Genes Dev.*

10: 2003-13 (1996); Dominguez et al., *Science* 272: 1621-5 (1996); Orenic et al., *Genes Dev.* 4: 1053-67 (1990)]. Additional elements implicated in Hh signaling include the transcription factor CBP [Akimaru et al., *Nature* 386: 735-738 (1997)], the negative regulator *slimb* [Jiang and Struhl, *Nature* 391: 493-496 (1998)] and the SHh response element COUP-TFII [Krishnan et al., *Science* 278: 1947-1950 (1997)].

[0014] Mutants in Cos-2 are embryonically lethal and display a phenotype similar to Hh over expression, including duplications of the central component of each segment and expansion domain of Hh responsive genes. In contrast, mutant embryos for fused and Ci show a phenotype similar to Hh loss of function including deletion of the posterior part of each segment and replacement of a mirror-like image duplication of the anterior part or each segment and replacement of a mirror-like duplication of the anterior part, Busson et al., *i Roux. Arch. Dev. Biol.* 197: 221-230 (1988). Molecular characterizations of Ci suggested that it is a transcription factor which directly activates Hh responsive genes such as *Wingless* and *Dpp*, Alexandre et al., (1996) supra, Dominguez et al., (1996) supra. Likewise, molecular analysis of fused reveals that it is structurally related to serine threonine kinases and that both intact N-terminal kinase domain and a C-terminal regulatory region are required for its proper function, Preat et al., *Nature* 347: 87-9 (1990); Robbins et al., (1997), supra; Therond et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 93: 4224-8 (1996). Consistent with the putative opposing functions of Cos-2 and fused, fused mutations are suppressed by Cos-2 mutants and also by Suppressor of fused mutants, Preat et al., *Genetics* 135: 1047-62 (1993). However, whereas fused null mutations and N-terminal kinase domain mutations can be fully suppressed by Suppressor of fused mutations, C-terminus mutations of fused display a strong Cos-2 phenotype in a Suppressor of fused background. This suggests that the fused kinase domain can act as a constitutive activator of SHh signaling when Suppressor of Fused is not present. Recent studies have shown that the 92 kDa *Drosophila* fused, Cos-2 and Ci are present in a microtubule associated multiprotein complex and that Hh signaling leads to dissociation of this complex from microtubules, Robbins et al., *Cell* 90: 225-34 (1997); Sisson et al., *Cell* 90: 235-45 (1997). Both fused and Cos-2 become phosphorylated in response to Hh treatment, Robbins et al., supra; Therond et al., *Genetics* 142: 1181-98 (1996), but the kinase(s) responsible for this activity(ies) remain to be characterized. To date, the only known vertebrate homologues for these components are members of the Gli protein family (e.g., Gli-1, Gli-2 and Gli-3). These are zinc finger putative transcription factors that are structurally related to Ci. Among these, Gli-1 was shown to be a candidate mediator of the SHh signal [Hynes et al., *Neuron* 15: 35-44 (1995); Lee et al., *Development* 124: 2537-52 (1997); Alexandre et al., *Genes Dev.* 10: 2003-13 (1996)] suggesting that the mechanism of gene activation in response to Hh may be conserved between fly and vertebrates. To determine whether other signaling components in the Hh cascade are evolutionarily conserved and to examine the function of fused in the Hh signaling cascade on the biochemical level, Applicants have isolated and characterized the human fused cDNA. Tissue distribution on the mouse indicates that fused is expressed in SHh responsive tissues. Biochemical studies demonstrate that fused is a functional kinase. Functional studies provide evidence that

fused is an activator of Gli and that a dominant negative form of fused is capable of blocking SHh signaling in *Xenopus* embryos. Together this data demonstrated that both Cos-2 and fused are directly involved in Hh signaling.

[0015] For additional references related to the Costal-2 protein, see Simpson et al., *Dev. Biol.* 122:201-209 (1987), Grau et al., *Dev. Biol.* 122:186-200 (1987), Preat et al., *Genetics* 135:1047-1062 (1993), Sisson et al., *Cell* 90:235-245 (1997) and Robbins et al., *Cell* 90:225-234 (1997).

[0016] Applicants have herein identified and describe a cDNA encoding a human Costal-2 homolog polypeptide, designated herein as PRO539.

[0017] 3. PRO982

[0018] Efforts are being undertaken by both industry and academia to identify new, native secreted proteins. Many efforts are focused on the screening of mammalian recombinant DNA libraries to identify the coding sequences for novel secreted proteins. We herein describe the identification and characterization of novel secreted polypeptides, designated herein as PRO982 polypeptides.

[0019] 4. PRO1434

[0020] The *nel* gene has been described to encode a protein that is expressed in the neural tissues of chicken (Watanabe et al., *Genomics* 38(3):273-276 (1996)). Recently, two novel human cDNAs (designated NELL1 and NELL2) have been isolated and characterized which encode polypeptides having homology to that encoded by the chicken *nel* gene, wherein those human polypeptides contain six EGF-like repeats (Watanabe et al., *supra*). Given the neural-specific expression of these genes, it is suggested that they may play a role in neural development. There is, therefore, significant interest in identifying and characterizing novel polypeptides having homology to *nel*, NELL1 and NELL2.

[0021] We herein describe the identification and characterization of novel polypeptides having homology to the *nel* protein, designated herein as PRO1434 polypeptides.

[0022] 5. PRO1863

[0023] Efforts are being undertaken by both industry and academia to identify new, native transmembrane proteins. Many efforts are focused on the screening of mammalian recombinant DNA libraries to identify the coding sequences for novel transmembrane proteins. We herein describe the identification and characterization of novel transmembrane polypeptides, designated herein as PRO1863 polypeptides.

[0024] 6. PRO1917

[0025] The characterization of inositol phosphatases is of interest because it is fundamental to the understanding of signaling activities that stimulate the release of Ca^{2+} from the endoplasmic reticulum. Molecular cloning allowed the identification of a multiple inositol polyphosphate phosphatase which is highly expressed in kidney and liver (Craxton et al. (1997) *Biochem J.* 328:75-81).

[0026] 7. PRO1868

[0027] The inflammatory response is complex and is mediated by a variety of signaling molecules produced locally by mast cells, nerve endings, platelets, leucocytes and complement activation. Certain of these signaling mol-

ecules cause the endothelial cell lining to become more porous and/or even to express selectins which act as cell surface molecules which recognize and attract leucocytes through specific carbohydrate recognition. Stronger leucocyte binding is mediated by integrins, which mediate leucocyte movement through the endothelium. Additional signaling molecules act as chemoattractants, causing the bound leucocytes to crawl towards the source of the attractant. Other signaling molecules produced in the course of an inflammatory response escape into the blood and stimulate the bone marrow to produce more leucocytes and release them into the blood stream.

[0028] Inflammation is typically initiated by an antigen, which can be virtually any molecule capable of initiating an immune response. Under normal physiological conditions these are foreign molecules, but molecules generated by the organism itself can serve as the catalyst as is known to occur in various disease states.

[0029] T-cell proliferation is a mixed lymphocyte culture or mixed lymphocyte reaction (MLR) is an established indication of the ability of a compound to stimulate the immune system. In an inflammatory response, the responding leucocytes can be neutrophilic, eosinophilic, monocytic or lymphocytic. Histological examination of the affected tissues provides evidence of an immune stimulating or inhibiting response. See *Current Protocols in Immunology*, ed. John E. Coligan, 1994, John Wiley and Sons, Inc.

[0030] Inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) is a term used to collectively describe gut disorders including both ulcerative colitis (UC) and Crohn's disease, both of which are classified as distinct disorders, but share common features and likely share pathology. The commonality of the diagnostic criteria can make it difficult to precisely determine which of the two disorders a patient has; however the type and location of the lesion in each are typically different. UC lesions are characteristically a superficial ulcer of the mucosa and appear in the colon, proximal to the rectum. CD lesions are characteristically extensive linear fissures, and can appear anywhere in the bowel, occasionally involving the stomach, esophagus and duodenum.

[0031] Conventional treatments for IBD usually involve the administration of antiinflammatory or immunosuppressive agents, such as sulfasalazine, corticosteroids, 6-mercaptopurine/azathioprine, or cyclospoin all of which only bring partial relief to the afflicted patient. However, when antiinflammatory/immunosuppressive therapies fail, colectomies are the last line of defense. Surgery is required for about 30% of CD patients within the first year after diagnosis, with the likelihood for operative procedure increasing about 5% annually thereafter. Unfortunately, CD also has a high rate of reoccurrence as about 5% of patients require subsequent surgery after the initial year. UC patients further have a substantially increased risk of developing colorectal cancer. Presumably, this is due to the recurrent cycles of injury to the epithelium, followed by regrowth, which continually increases the risk of neoplastic transformation.

[0032] A recently discovered member of the immunoglobulin superfamily known as Junctional Adhesion Molecule (JAM) has been identified to be selectively concentrated at intercellular junctions of endothelial and epithelial cells of different origins. Martin-Padura, I. et al., *J. Cell Biol.* 142(1): 117-27 (1998). JAM is a type I integral membrane

protein with two extracellular, intrachain disulfide loops of the V-type. JAM bears substantial homology to A33 antigen (**FIG. 1** or **FIG. 18**). A monoclonal antibody directed to JAM was found to inhibit spontaneous and chemokine-induced monocyte transmigration through an endothelial cell monolayer in vitro. Martin-Padura, supra.

[0033] It has been recently discovered that JAM expression is increased in the colon of CRF2-4 $-/-$ mice with colitis. CRF 2-4 $-/-$ (IL-10R subunit knockout mice) develop a spontaneous colitis mediated by lymphocytes, monocytes and neutrophils. Several of the animals also developed colon adenocarcinoma. As a result, it is foreseeable likely that the compounds of the invention are expressed in elevated levels in or otherwise associated with human diseases such as inflammatory bowel disease, other inflammatory diseases of the gut as well as colorectal carcinoma.

[0034] The compounds of the invention also bear significant homology to A33 antigen, a known colorectal cancer-associated marker. The A33 antigen is expressed in more than 90% of primary or metastatic colon cancers as well as normal colon epithelium. In carcinomas originating from the colonic mucosa, the A33 antigen is expressed homogeneously in more than 95% of all cases. The A33 antigen, however, has not been detected in a wide range of other normal issues, i.e., its expression appears to be organ specific. Therefore, the A33 antigen appears to play an important role in the induction of colorectal cancer.

[0035] Since colon cancer is a widespread disease, early diagnosis and treatment is an important medical goal. Diagnosis and treatment of colon cancer can be implemented using monoclonal antibodies (mAbs) specific therefore having fluorescent, nuclear magnetic or radioactive tags. Radioactive gene, toxins and/or drug tagged mAbs can be used for treatment in situ with minimal patient description. mAbs can also be used to diagnose during the diagnosis and treatment of colon cancers. For example, when the serum levels of the A33 antigen are elevated in a patient, a drop of the levels after surgery would indicate the tumor resection was successful. On the other hand, a subsequent rise in serum A33 antigen levels after surgery would indicate that metastases of the original tumor may have formed or that new primary tumors may have appeared.

[0036] Such monoclonal antibodies can be used in lieu of, or in conjunction with surgery and/or other chemotherapies. For example, preclinical analysis and localization studies in patients infected with colorectal carcinoma with a mAb to A33 are described in Welt et al., *J. Clin. Oncol.* 8: 1894-1906 (1990) and Welt et al., *J. Clin. Oncol.* 12: 1561-1571 (1994), while U.S. Pat. No. 4,579,827 and U.S. Ser. No. 424,991 (E.P. 199,141) are directed to the therapeutic administration of monoclonal antibodies, the latter of which relates to the application of anti-A33 mAb.

[0037] We herein describe the identification and characterization of novel polypeptides having homology to A33 antigen protein, designated herein as PRO1868 polypeptides.

[0038] 8. PRO3434

[0039] Efforts are being undertaken by both industry and academia to identify new, native secreted proteins. Many efforts are focused on the screening of mammalian recom-

binant DNA libraries to identify the coding sequences for novel secreted proteins. We herein describe the identification and characterization of novel secreted polypeptides, designated herein as PRO3434 polypeptides.

[0040] 9. PRO1927

[0041] Proteins are glycosylated by a complex set of reactions which are mediated by membrane bound glycosyltransferases. There is a large number of different glycosyltransferases that account for the array of carbohydrate structures synthesized. N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase proteins comprise a family of glycosyltransferases that provide for a variety of important biological functions in the mammalian organism. As an example, UDP-N-acetylglucosamine: alpha-3-D-mannoside beta-1,2-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase I is a glycosyltransferase that catalyzes an essential first step in the conversion of high-mannose N-glycans to hybrid and complex N-glycans (Sarkar et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA.* 88:234-238 (1991)). UDP-N-acetylglucosamine:alpha1,3-D-mannoside betal, 4-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase is an essential enzyme in the production of tri- and tetra-antennary asparagine-linked sugar chains, and has been recently been purified from bovine small intestine using cDNA cloning (Minowa et al., *J. Biol. Chem.* (1998) 273(19): 11556-62). There is interest in the identification and characterization of additional members of the N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase protein family, and more generally, the identification of novel glycosyltransferases.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

[0042] 1. PRO1800

[0043] A cDNA clone (DNA35672-2508) has been identified, having homology to nucleic acid encoding Hep27 protein, that encodes a novel polypeptide, designated in the present application as "PRO1800".

[0044] In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO1800 polypeptide.

[0045] In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to (a) a DNA molecule encoding a PRO1800 polypeptide having the sequence of amino acid residues from about 1 or about 16 to about 278, inclusive of **FIG. 2** (SEQ ID NO:2), or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a).

[0046] In another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule encoding a PRO1800 polypeptide comprising DNA hybridizing to the complement of the nucleic acid between about nucleotides 36 or about 81 and about 869, inclusive, of **FIG. 1** (SEQ ID NO:1). Preferably, hybridization occurs under stringent hybridization and wash conditions.

[0047] In a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to (a) a DNA molecule encoding the same

mature polypeptide encoded by the human protein cDNA in ATCC Deposit No. 203538 (DNA35672-2508) or (b) the complement of the nucleic acid molecule of (a). In a preferred embodiment, the nucleic acid comprises a DNA encoding the same mature polypeptide encoded by the human protein cDNA in ATCC Deposit No. 203538 (DNA35672-2508).

[0048] In still a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising (a) DNA encoding a polypeptide having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to the sequence of amino acid residues 1 or about 16 to about 278, inclusive of **FIG. 2** (SEQ ID NO:2), or (b) the complement of the DNA of (a).

[0049] In a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule having at least 230 nucleotides and produced by hybridizing a test DNA molecule under stringent conditions with (a) a DNA molecule encoding a PRO1800 polypeptide having the sequence of amino acid residues from 1 or about 16 to about 278, inclusive of **FIG. 2** (SEQ ID NO:2), or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a), and, if the DNA molecule has at least about an 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about an 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about a 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about a 95% sequence identity to (a) or (b), isolating the test DNA molecule.

[0050] In a specific aspect, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO1800 polypeptide, with or without the N-terminal signal sequence and/or the initiating methionine, or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid molecule. The signal peptide has been tentatively identified as extending from about amino acid position 1 to about amino acid position 15 in the sequence of **FIG. 2** (SEQ ID NO:2).

[0051] In another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising (a) DNA encoding a polypeptide scoring at least about 80% positives, preferably at least about 85% positives, more preferably at least about 90% positives, most preferably at least about 95% positives when compared with the amino acid sequence of residues 1 or about 16 to about 278, inclusive of **FIG. 2** (SEQ ID NO:2), or (b) the complement of the DNA of (a).

[0052] Another embodiment is directed to fragments of a PRO1800 polypeptide coding sequence that may find use as hybridization probes. Such nucleic acid fragments may be from about 20 to about 80 nucleotides in length, preferably from about 20 to about 60 nucleotides in length, more preferably from about 20 to about 50 nucleotides in length and most preferably from about 20 to about 40 nucleotides in length and may be derived from the nucleotide sequence shown in **FIG. 1** (SEQ ID NO:1).

[0053] In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO1800 polypeptide encoded by any of the isolated nucleic acid sequences hereinabove identified.

[0054] In a specific aspect, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO1800 polypeptide, which in certain embodiments, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 or about 16 to about 278 of **FIG. 2** (SEQ ID NO:2).

[0055] In another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated PRO1800 polypeptide, comprising an amino acid sequence having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to the sequence of amino acid residues 1 or about 16 to about 278, inclusive of **FIG. 2** (SEQ ID NO:2).

[0056] In a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated PRO1800 polypeptide, comprising an amino acid sequence scoring at least about 80% positives, preferably at least about 85% positives, more preferably at least about 90% positives, most preferably at least about 95% positives when compared with the amino acid sequence of residues 1 or about 16 to about 278, inclusive of **FIG. 2** (SEQ ID NO:2).

[0057] In yet another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated PRO1800 polypeptide, comprising the sequence of amino acid residues 1 or about 16 to about 278, inclusive of **FIG. 2** (SEQ ID NO:2), or a fragment thereof sufficient to provide a binding site for an anti-PRO1800 antibody. Preferably, the PRO1800 fragment retains a qualitative biological activity of a native PRO1800 polypeptide.

[0058] In a still further aspect, the invention provides a polypeptide produced by (i) hybridizing a test DNA molecule under stringent conditions with (a) a DNA molecule encoding a PRO1800 polypeptide having the sequence of amino acid residues from about 1 or about 16 to about 278, inclusive of **FIG. 2** (SEQ ID NO:3), or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a), and if the test DNA molecule has at least about an 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about an 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about a 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about a 95% sequence identity to (a) or (b), (ii) culturing a host cell comprising the test DNA molecule under conditions suitable for expression of the polypeptide, and (iii) recovering the polypeptide from the cell culture.

[0059] In yet another embodiment, the invention concerns agonists and antagonists of a native PRO1800 polypeptide. In a particular embodiment, the agonist or antagonist is an anti-PRO1800 antibody.

[0060] In a further embodiment, the invention concerns a method of identifying agonists or antagonists of a native PRO1800 polypeptide by contacting the native PRO1800 polypeptide with a candidate molecule and monitoring a biological activity mediated by said polypeptide.

[0061] In a still further embodiment, the invention concerns a composition comprising a PRO1800 polypeptide, or an agonist or antagonist as hereinabove defined, in combination with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

[0062] 2. PRO539

[0063] A cDNA clone (DNA47465-1561) has been identified, having homology to nucleic acid encoding Costal-2 protein, that encodes a novel polypeptide, designated in the present application as "PRO539".

[0064] In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO539 polypeptide.

[0065] In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA having at least about 80% sequence identity, prefer-

ably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to (a) a DNA molecule encoding a PRO539 polypeptide having the sequence of amino acid residues from about 1 to about 830, inclusive of **FIG. 4** (SEQ ID NO:7), or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a).

[0066] In another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule encoding a PRO539 polypeptide comprising DNA hybridizing to the complement of the nucleic acid between about nucleotides 186 and about 2675, inclusive, of **FIG. 3** (SEQ ID NO:6). Preferably, hybridization occurs under stringent hybridization and wash conditions.

[0067] In a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to (a) a DNA molecule encoding the same mature polypeptide encoded by the human protein cDNA in ATCC Deposit No. 203661 (DNA47465-1561) or (b) the complement of the nucleic acid molecule of (a). In a preferred embodiment, the nucleic acid comprises a DNA encoding the same mature polypeptide encoded by the human protein cDNA in ATCC Deposit No. 203661 (DNA47465-1561).

[0068] In still a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising (a) DNA encoding a polypeptide having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to the sequence of amino acid residues 1 to about 830, inclusive of **FIG. 4** (SEQ ID NO:7), or (b) the complement of the DNA of (a).

[0069] In a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule having at least 100 nucleotides and produced by hybridizing a test DNA molecule under stringent conditions with (a) a DNA molecule encoding a PRO539 polypeptide having the sequence of amino acid residues from 1 to about 830, inclusive of **FIG. 4** (SEQ ID NO:7), or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a), and, if the DNA molecule has at least about an 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about an 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about a 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about a 95% sequence identity to (a) or (b), isolating the test DNA molecule.

[0070] In a specific aspect, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO539 polypeptide, with or without the initiating methionine, or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid molecule.

[0071] In another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising (a) DNA encoding a polypeptide scoring at least about 80% positives, preferably at least about 85% positives, more preferably at least about 90% positives, most preferably at least about 95% positives when compared with the amino acid sequence of residues 1 to about 830, inclusive of **FIG. 4** (SEQ ID NO:7), or (b) the complement of the DNA of (a).

[0072] Another embodiment is directed to fragments of a PRO539 polypeptide coding sequence that may find use as hybridization probes. Such nucleic acid fragments are from about 20 to about 80 nucleotides in length, preferably from about 20 to about 60 nucleotides in length, more preferably from about 20 to about 50 nucleotides in length and most preferably from about 20 to about 40 nucleotides in length and may be derived from the nucleotide sequence shown in **FIG. 3** (SEQ ID NO:6).

[0073] In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO539 polypeptide encoded by any of the isolated nucleic acid sequences hereinabove identified.

[0074] In a specific aspect, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO539 polypeptide, which in certain embodiments, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 to about 830 of **FIG. 4** (SEQ ID NO:7).

[0075] In another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated PRO539 polypeptide, comprising an amino acid sequence having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to the sequence of amino acid residues 1 to about 830, inclusive of **FIG. 4** (SEQ ID NO:7).

[0076] In a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated PRO539 polypeptide, comprising an amino acid sequence scoring at least about 80% positives, preferably at least about 85% positives, more preferably at least about 90% positives, most preferably at least about 95% positives when compared with the amino acid sequence of residues 1 to about 830, inclusive of **FIG. 4** (SEQ ID NO:7).

[0077] In yet another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated PRO539 polypeptide, comprising the sequence of amino acid residues 1 to about 830, inclusive of **FIG. 4** (SEQ ID NO:7), or a fragment thereof sufficient to provide a binding site for an anti-PRO539 antibody. Preferably, the PRO539 fragment retains a qualitative biological activity of a native PRO539 polypeptide.

[0078] In a still further aspect, the invention provides a polypeptide produced by (i) hybridizing a test DNA molecule under stringent conditions with (a) a DNA molecule encoding a PRO539 polypeptide having the sequence of amino acid residues from about 1 to about 830, inclusive of **FIG. 4** (SEQ ID NO:7), or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a), and if the test DNA molecule has at least about an 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about an 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about a 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about a 95% sequence identity to (a) or (b), (ii) culturing a host cell comprising the test DNA molecule under conditions suitable for expression of the polypeptide, and (iii) recovering the polypeptide from the cell culture.

[0079] In yet another embodiment, the invention concerns agonists and antagonists of a native PRO539 polypeptide. In a particular embodiment, the agonist or antagonist is an anti-PRO539 antibody.

[0080] In a further embodiment, the invention concerns a method of identifying agonists or antagonists of a native PRO539 polypeptide by contacting the native PRO539 polypeptide with a candidate molecule and monitoring a

biological activity mediated by said polypeptide. In a preferred embodiment, the biological activity is either binding to microtubules or the ability to complex with fused and cubitus interruptus.

[0081] In a still further embodiment, the invention concerns a composition comprising a PRO539 polypeptide, or an agonist or antagonist as hereinabove defined, in combination with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

[0082] In yet another embodiment, the invention provides for compounds and methods for developing antagonists against and agonist promoting PRO539 modulation of Hedgehog signaling. In particular, an antagonist of vertebrate PRO539 which blocks, prevents, inhibits and/or neutralizes the normal functioning of PRO539 in SH signaling pathway, including both small bioorganic molecules and antisense nucleotides.

[0083] In yet another embodiment, the invention provides for alternatively spliced variants of human PRO539.

[0084] In still yet a further embodiment, the invention provides a method of screening or assaying for identifying molecules that alter the PRO539 modulation of hedgehog signaling. Preferably, the molecules either prevent interaction of PRO539 with its associative complexing proteins (such as fused or cubitus interruptus) or prevent or inhibit dissociation of complexes. The assay comprises the incubation of a mixture comprising PRO539 and a substrate with a candidate molecule and detection of the ability of the candidate molecule to modulate PRO539 hedgehog signaling. The screened molecules preferably are small molecule drug candidates.

[0085] In yet another embodiment, the method relates to a technique of diagnosing to determine whether a particular disorder is modulated by hedgehog signaling, comprising:

[0086] (a) culturing test cells or tissues;

[0087] (b) administering a compound which can inhibit PRO539 modulated hedgehog signaling; and

[0088] (c) determining whether hedgehog signaling is modulated.

[0089] 3. PRO982

[0090] A cDNA clone (DNA57700-1408) has been identified that encodes a novel polypeptide, designated in the present application as "PRO982."

[0091] In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO982 polypeptide.

[0092] In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to (a) a DNA molecule encoding a PRO982 polypeptide having the sequence of amino acid residues from 1 or about 22 to about 125, inclusive of FIG. 6 (SEQ ID NO:9), or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a).

[0093] In another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule encoding a PRO982 polypeptide comprising DNA hybridizing to the complement of the nucleic acid between about residues 89 and about 400,

inclusive, of FIG. 5 (SEQ ID NO:8). Preferably, hybridization occurs under stringent hybridization and wash conditions.

[0094] In a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to (a) a DNA molecule encoding the same mature polypeptide encoded by the human protein cDNA in ATCC Deposit No. 203583 (DNA57700-1408), or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a). In a preferred embodiment, the nucleic acid comprises a DNA encoding the same mature polypeptide encoded by the human protein cDNA in ATCC Deposit No. 203583 (DNA57700-1408).

[0095] In a still further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising (a) DNA encoding a polypeptide having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to the sequence of amino acid residues from 1 or about 22 to about 125, inclusive of FIG. 6 (SEQ ID NO:9), or the complement of the DNA of (a).

[0096] In a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule having at least about 50 nucleotides, and preferably at least about 100 nucleotides and produced by hybridizing a test DNA molecule under stringent conditions with (a) a DNA molecule encoding a PRO982 polypeptide having the sequence of amino acid residues from 1 or about 22 to about 125, inclusive of FIG. 6 (SEQ ID NO:9), or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a), and, if the DNA molecule has at least about an 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about an 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about a 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about a 95% sequence identity to (a) or (b), isolating the test DNA molecule.

[0097] In a specific aspect, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO982 polypeptide, with or without the N-terminal signal sequence and/or the initiating methionine, or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid molecule. The signal peptide has been tentatively identified as extending from amino acid position 1 through about amino acid position 21 in the sequence of FIG. 6 (SEQ ID NO:9).

[0098] In another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising (a) DNA encoding a polypeptide scoring at least about 80% positives, preferably at least about 85% positives, more preferably at least about 90% positives, most preferably at least about 95% positives when compared with the amino acid sequence of residues 1 or about 22 to about 125, inclusive of FIG. 6 (SEQ ID NO:9), or (b) the complement of the DNA of (a).

[0099] Another embodiment is directed to fragments of a PRO982 polypeptide coding sequence that may find use as hybridization probes. Such nucleic acid fragments are from about 20 to about 80 nucleotides in length, preferably from about 20 to about 60 nucleotides in length, more preferably from about 20 to about 50 nucleotides in length, and most preferably from about 20 to about 40 nucleotides in length.

[0100] In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO982 polypeptide encoded by any of the isolated nucleic acid sequences hereinabove defined.

[0101] In a specific aspect, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO982 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 or about 22 to 125 of FIG. 6 (SEQ ID NO:9).

[0102] In another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated PRO982 polypeptide, comprising an amino acid sequence having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to the sequence of amino acid residues 1 or about 22 to about 125, inclusive of FIG. 6 (SEQ ID NO:9).

[0103] In a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated PRO982 polypeptide, comprising an amino acid sequence scoring at least about 80% positives, preferably at least about 85% positives, more preferably at least about 90% positives, most preferably at least about 95% positives when compared with the amino acid sequence of residues 1 or about 22 to 125 of FIG. 6 (SEQ ID NO:9).

[0104] In yet another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated PRO982 polypeptide, comprising the sequence of amino acid residues 1 or about 22 to about 125, inclusive of FIG. 6 (SEQ ID NO:9), or a fragment thereof sufficient to provide a binding site for an anti-PRO982 antibody. Preferably, the PRO982 fragment retains a qualitative biological activity of a native PRO982 polypeptide.

[0105] In a still further aspect, the invention provides a polypeptide produced by (i) hybridizing a test DNA molecule under stringent conditions with (a) a DNA molecule encoding a PRO982 polypeptide having the sequence of amino acid residues from 1 or about 22 to about 125, inclusive of FIG. 6 (SEQ ID NO:9), or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a), and if the test DNA molecule has at least about an 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about an 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about a 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about a 95% sequence identity to (a) or (b), (ii) culturing a host cell comprising the test DNA molecule under conditions suitable for expression of the polypeptide, and (iii) recovering the polypeptide from the cell culture.

[0106] 4. PRO1434

[0107] A cDNA clone (DNA68818-2536) has been identified, having homology to nucleic acid encoding nel protein, that encodes a novel polypeptide, designated in the present application as "PRO1434".

[0108] In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO1434 polypeptide.

[0109] In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to (a) a DNA molecule encoding a PRO1434 polypeptide having the sequence of amino acid residues from about 1 or about 28 to about 325, inclusive of FIG. 8 (SEQ ID NO:11), or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a).

[0110] In another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule encoding a PRO1434 polypeptide comprising DNA hybridizing to the complement of the nucleic acid between about nucleotides 581 or about 662 and about 1555, inclusive, of FIG. 7 (SEQ ID NO:10). Preferably, hybridization occurs under stringent hybridization and wash conditions.

[0111] In a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to (a) a DNA molecule encoding the same mature polypeptide encoded by the human protein cDNA in ATCC Deposit No. 203657 (DNA68818-2536) or (b) the complement of the nucleic acid molecule of (a). In a preferred embodiment, the nucleic acid comprises a DNA encoding the same mature polypeptide encoded by the human protein cDNA in ATCC Deposit No. 203657 (DNA68818-2536).

[0112] In still a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising (a) DNA encoding a polypeptide having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to the sequence of amino acid residues 1 or about 28 to about 325, inclusive of FIG. 8 (SEQ ID NO:11), or (b) the complement of the DNA of (a).

[0113] In a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule having at least 65 nucleotides and produced by hybridizing a test DNA molecule under stringent conditions with (a) a DNA molecule encoding a PRO1434 polypeptide having the sequence of amino acid residues from 1 or about 28 to about 325, inclusive of FIG. 8 (SEQ ID NO:11), or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a), and, if the DNA molecule has at least about an 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about an 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about a 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about a 95% sequence identity to (a) or (b), isolating the test DNA molecule.

[0114] In a specific aspect, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO1434 polypeptide, with or without the N-terminal signal sequence and/or the initiating methionine, and its soluble, i.e., transmembrane domain deleted or inactivated variants, or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid molecule. The signal peptide has been tentatively identified as extending from about amino acid position 1 to about amino acid position 27 in the sequence of FIG. 8 (SEQ ID NO:11). The transmembrane domain has been tentatively identified as extending from about amino acid position 11 to about amino acid position 30 in the PRO1434 amino acid sequence (FIG. 8, SEQ ID NO:11).

[0115] In another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising (a) DNA encoding a polypeptide scoring at least about 80% positives, preferably at least about 85% positives, more preferably at least about 90% positives, most preferably at least about 95% positives when compared with the amino acid sequence of residues 1 or about 28 to about 325, inclusive of FIG. 8 (SEQ ID NO:11), or (b) the complement of the DNA of (a).

[0116] Another embodiment is directed to fragments of a PRO1434 polypeptide coding sequence that may find use as hybridization probes. Such nucleic acid fragments are from about 20 to about 80 nucleotides in length, preferably from about 20 to about 60 nucleotides in length, more preferably from about 20 to about 50 nucleotides in length and most preferably from about 20 to about 40 nucleotides in length and may be derived from the nucleotide sequence shown in **FIG. 7** (SEQ ID NO:10).

[0117] In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO1434 polypeptide encoded by any of the isolated nucleic acid sequences hereinabove identified.

[0118] In a specific aspect, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO1434 polypeptide, which in certain embodiments, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 or about 28 to about 325 of **FIG. 8** (SEQ ID NO:11).

[0119] In another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated PRO1434 polypeptide, comprising an amino acid sequence having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to the sequence of amino acid residues 1 or about 28 to about 325, inclusive of **FIG. 8** (SEQ ID NO:11).

[0120] In a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated PRO1434 polypeptide, comprising an amino acid sequence scoring at least about 80% positives, preferably at least about 85% positives, more preferably at least about 90% positives, most preferably at least about 95% positives when compared with the amino acid sequence of residues 1 or about 28 to about 325, inclusive of **FIG. 8** (SEQ ID NO:11).

[0121] In yet another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated PRO1434 polypeptide, comprising the sequence of amino acid residues 1 or about 28 to about 325, inclusive of **FIG. 8** (SEQ ID NO:11), or a fragment thereof sufficient to provide a binding site for an anti-PRO1434 antibody. Preferably, the PRO1434 fragment retains a qualitative biological activity of a native PRO1434 polypeptide.

[0122] In a still further aspect, the invention provides a polypeptide produced by (i) hybridizing a test DNA molecule under stringent conditions with (a) a DNA molecule encoding a PRO1434 polypeptide having the sequence of amino acid residues from about 1 or about 28 to about 325, inclusive of **FIG. 8** (SEQ ID NO:11), or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a), and if the test DNA molecule has at least about an 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about an 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about a 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about a 95% sequence identity to (a) or (b), (ii) culturing a host cell comprising the test DNA molecule under conditions suitable for expression of the polypeptide, and (iii) recovering the polypeptide from the cell culture.

[0123] In yet another embodiment, the invention concerns agonists and antagonists of a native PRO1434 polypeptide. In a particular embodiment, the agonist or antagonist is an anti-PRO1434 antibody.

[0124] In a further embodiment, the invention concerns a method of identifying agonists or antagonists of a native

PRO1434 polypeptide by contacting the native PRO1434 polypeptide with a candidate molecule and monitoring a biological activity mediated by said polypeptide.

[0125] In a still further embodiment, the invention concerns a composition comprising a PRO1434 polypeptide, or an agonist or antagonist as hereinabove defined, in combination with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

[0126] 5. PRO1863

[0127] A cDNA clone (DNA59847-2510) has been identified that encodes a novel transmembrane polypeptide, designated in the present application as "PRO1863".

[0128] In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO1863 polypeptide.

[0129] In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to (a) a DNA molecule encoding a PRO1863 polypeptide having the sequence of amino acid residues from about 1 or about 16 to about 437, inclusive of **FIG. 10** (SEQ ID NO:16), or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a).

[0130] In another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule encoding a PRO1863 polypeptide comprising DNA hybridizing to the complement of the nucleic acid between about nucleotides 17 or about 62 and about 1327, inclusive, of **FIG. 9** (SEQ ID NO:15). Preferably, hybridization occurs under stringent hybridization and wash conditions.

[0131] In a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to (a) a DNA molecule encoding the same mature polypeptide encoded by the human protein cDNA in ATCC Deposit No. 203576 (DNA59847-2510) or (b) the complement of the nucleic acid molecule of (a). In a preferred embodiment, the nucleic acid comprises a DNA encoding the same mature polypeptide encoded by the human protein cDNA in ATCC Deposit No. 203576 (DNA59847-2510).

[0132] In still a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising (a) DNA encoding a polypeptide having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to the sequence of amino acid residues 1 or about 16 to about 437, inclusive of **FIG. 10** (SEQ ID NO:16), or (b) the complement of the DNA of (a).

[0133] In a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule having at least 345 nucleotides and produced by hybridizing a test DNA molecule under stringent conditions with (a) a DNA molecule encoding a PRO1863 polypeptide having the sequence of amino acid residues from 1 or about 16 to about 437, inclusive of **FIG. 10** (SEQ ID NO:16), or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a), and, if the DNA molecule has at least

about an 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about an 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about a 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about a 95% sequence identity to (a) or (b), isolating the test DNA molecule.

[0134] In a specific aspect, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO1863 polypeptide, with or without the N-terminal signal sequence and/or the initiating methionine, and its soluble, i.e., transmembrane domain deleted or inactivated variants, or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid molecule. The signal peptide has been tentatively identified as extending from about amino acid position 1 to about amino acid position 17 in the sequence of **FIG. 10** (SEQ ID NO:16). The transmembrane domain has been tentatively identified as extending from about amino acid position 243 to about amino acid position 260 in the PRO1863 amino acid sequence (**FIG. 10**, SEQ ID NO:16).

[0135] In another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising (a) DNA encoding a polypeptide scoring at least about 80% positives, preferably at least about 85% positives, more preferably at least about 90% positives, most preferably at least about 95% positives when compared with the amino acid sequence of residues 1 or about 16 to about 437, inclusive of **FIG. 10** (SEQ ID NO:16), or (b) the complement of the DNA of (a).

[0136] Another embodiment is directed to fragments of a PRO1863 polypeptide coding sequence that may find use as hybridization probes. Such nucleic acid fragments are from about 20 to about 80 nucleotides in length, preferably from about 20 to about 60 nucleotides in length, more preferably from about 20 to about 50 nucleotides in length and most preferably from about 20 to about 40 nucleotides in length and may be derived from the nucleotide sequence shown in **FIG. 9** (SEQ ID NO:15).

[0137] In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO1863 polypeptide encoded by any of the isolated nucleic acid sequences hereinabove identified.

[0138] In a specific aspect, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO1863 polypeptide, which in certain embodiments, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 or about 16 to about 437 of **FIG. 10** (SEQ ID NO:16).

[0139] In another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated PRO1863 polypeptide, comprising an amino acid sequence having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to the sequence of amino acid residues 1 or about 16 to about 437, inclusive of **FIG. 10** (SEQ ID NO:16).

[0140] In a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated PRO1863 polypeptide, comprising an amino acid sequence scoring at least about 80% positives, preferably at least about 85% positives, more preferably at least about 90% positives, most preferably at least about 95% positives when compared with the amino acid sequence of residues 1 or about 16 to about 437, inclusive of **FIG. 10** (SEQ ID NO:16).

[0141] In yet another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated PRO1863 polypeptide, comprising the sequence of

amino acid residues 1 or about 16 to about 437, inclusive of **FIG. 10** (SEQ ID NO:16), or a fragment thereof sufficient to provide a binding site for an anti-PRO1863 antibody. Preferably, the PRO1863 fragment retains a qualitative biological activity of a native PRO1863 polypeptide.

[0142] In a still further aspect, the invention provides a polypeptide produced by (i) hybridizing a test DNA molecule under stringent conditions with (a) a DNA molecule encoding a PRO1863 polypeptide having the sequence of amino acid residues from about 1 or about 16 to about 437, inclusive of **FIG. 10** (SEQ ID NO:16), or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a), and if the test DNA molecule has at least about an 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about an 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about a 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about a 95% sequence identity to (a) or (b), (ii) culturing a host cell comprising the test DNA molecule under conditions suitable for expression of the polypeptide, and (iii) recovering the polypeptide from the cell culture.

[0143] In yet another embodiment, the invention concerns agonists and antagonists of a native PRO1863 polypeptide. In a particular embodiment, the agonist or antagonist is an anti-PRO1863 antibody.

[0144] In a further embodiment, the invention concerns a method of identifying agonists or antagonists of a native PRO1863 polypeptide by contacting the native PRO1863 polypeptide with a candidate molecule and monitoring a biological activity mediated by said polypeptide.

[0145] In a still further embodiment, the invention concerns a composition comprising a PRO1863 polypeptide, or an agonist or antagonist as hereinabove defined, in combination with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

[0146] 6. PRO1917

[0147] A cDNA clone (DNA76400-2528) has been identified that encodes a novel polypeptide having homology to inositol phosphatase and designated in the present application as "PRO1917".

[0148] In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO1917 polypeptide.

[0149] In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to (a) a DNA molecule encoding a PRO1917 polypeptide having the sequence of amino acid residues from 1 or about 31 to about 487, inclusive of **FIG. 12** (SEQ ID NO:18), or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a).

[0150] In another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule encoding a PRO1917 polypeptide comprising DNA hybridizing to the complement of the nucleic acid between about residues 96 and about 1466, inclusive, of **FIG. 11** (SEQ ID NO:17). Preferably, hybridization occurs under stringent hybridization and wash conditions.

[0151] In a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA having at

least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to (a) a DNA molecule encoding the same mature polypeptide encoded by the human protein cDNA in ATCC Deposit No. 203573 (DNA76400-2528), or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a). In a preferred embodiment, the nucleic acid comprises a DNA encoding the same mature polypeptide encoded by the human protein cDNA in ATCC Deposit No. 203573 (DNA76400-2528).

[0152] In a still further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising (a) DNA encoding a polypeptide having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to the sequence of amino acid residues from 1 or about 31 to about 487, inclusive of **FIG. 12** (SEQ ID NO:18), or the complement of the DNA of (a).

[0153] In a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule having at least about 50 nucleotides, and preferably at least about 100 nucleotides and produced by hybridizing a test DNA molecule under stringent conditions with (a) a DNA molecule encoding a PRO1917 polypeptide having the sequence of amino acid residues from 1 or about 31 to about 487, inclusive of **FIG. 12** (SEQ ID NO:18), or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a), and, if the DNA molecule has at least about an 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about an 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about a 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about a 95% sequence identity to (a) or (b), isolating the test DNA molecule.

[0154] In a specific aspect, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO1917 polypeptide, with or without the N-terminal signal sequence and/or the initiating methionine, or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid molecule. The signal peptide has been tentatively identified as extending from amino acid position 1 through about amino acid position 30 in the sequence of **FIG. 12** (SEQ ID NO:18).

[0155] In another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising (a) DNA encoding a polypeptide scoring at least about 80% positives, preferably at least about 85% positives, more preferably at least about 90% positives, most preferably at least about 95% positives when compared with the amino acid sequence of residues 1 or about 31 to about 487, inclusive of **FIG. 12** (SEQ ID NO:18), or (b) the complement of the DNA of (a).

[0156] Another embodiment is directed to fragments of a PRO1917 polypeptide coding sequence that may find use as hybridization probes. Such nucleic acid fragments are from about 20 to about 80 nucleotides in length, preferably from about 20 to about 60 nucleotides in length, more preferably from about 20 to about 50 nucleotides in length, and most preferably from about 20 to about 40 nucleotides in length.

[0157] In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO1917 polypeptide encoded by any of the isolated nucleic acid sequences hereinabove defined.

[0158] In a specific aspect, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO1917 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 or about 31 to about 487 of **FIG. 12** (SEQ ID NO:18).

[0159] In another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated PRO1917 polypeptide, comprising an amino acid sequence having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to the sequence of amino acid residues 1 or about 31 to about 487, inclusive of **FIG. 12** (SEQ ID NO:18).

[0160] In a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated PRO1917 polypeptide, comprising an amino acid sequence scoring at least about 80% positives, preferably at least about 85% positives, more preferably at least about 90% positives, most preferably at least about 95% positives when compared with the amino acid sequence of residues 1 or about 31 to about 487 of **FIG. 12** (SEQ ID NO:18).

[0161] In yet another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated PRO1917 polypeptide, comprising the sequence of amino acid residues 1 or about 31 to about 487, inclusive of **FIG. 12** (SEQ ID NO:18), or a fragment thereof sufficient to provide a binding site for an anti-PRO1917 antibody. Preferably, the PRO1917 fragment retains a qualitative biological activity of a native PRO1917 polypeptide.

[0162] In a still further aspect, the invention provides a polypeptide produced by (i) hybridizing a test DNA molecule under stringent conditions with (a) a DNA molecule encoding a PRO1917 polypeptide having the sequence of amino acid residues from 1 or about 31 to about 487, inclusive of **FIG. 12** (SEQ ID NO:18), or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a), and if the test DNA molecule has at least about an 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about an 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about a 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about a 95% sequence identity to (a) or (b), (ii) culturing a host cell comprising the test DNA molecule under conditions suitable for expression of the polypeptide, and (iii) recovering the polypeptide from the cell culture.

[0163] In yet another embodiment, the invention concerns agonists and antagonists of a native PRO1917 polypeptide. In a particular embodiment, the agonist or antagonist is an anti-PRO1917 antibody.

[0164] In a further embodiment, the invention concerns a method of identifying agonists or antagonists of a native PRO1917 polypeptide, by contacting the native PRO1917 polypeptide with a candidate molecule and monitoring a biological activity mediated by said polypeptide.

[0165] In a still further embodiment, the invention concerns a composition comprising a PRO1917 polypeptide, or an agonist or antagonist as hereinabove defined, in combination with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

[0166] 7. PRO1868

[0167] The present invention concerns compositions and methods for the diagnosis and treatment of inflammatory diseases in mammals, including humans. The present invention is based on the identification of proteins (including agonist and antagonist antibodies) which either stimulate or inhibit the immune response in mammals. Inflammatory diseases can be treated by suppressing the inflammatory

response. Molecules that enhance an inflammatory response stimulate or potentiate the immune response to an antigen. Molecules which stimulate an inflammatory response can be inhibited where suppression of the inflammatory response would be beneficial. Molecules which stimulate the inflammatory response can be used therapeutically where enhancement of the inflammatory response would be beneficial. Such stimulatory molecules can also be inhibited where suppression of the inflammatory response would be of value. Neutralizing antibodies are examples of molecules that inhibit molecules having immune stimulatory activity and which would be beneficial in the treatment of inflammatory diseases. Molecules which inhibit the inflammatory response can also be utilized (proteins directly or via the use of antibody agonists) to inhibit the inflammatory response and thus ameliorate inflammatory diseases.

[0168] Accordingly, the proteins of the invention are useful for the diagnosis and/or treatment (including prevention) of immune related diseases. Antibodies which bind to stimulatory proteins are useful to suppress the inflammatory response. Antibodies which bind to inhibitory proteins are useful to stimulate inflammatory response and the immune system. The proteins and antibodies of the invention are also useful to prepare medicines and medicaments for the treatment of inflammatory and immune related diseases.

[0169] In one embodiment, the invention concerns antagonists and agonists of a PRO1868 polypeptide that inhibits one or more of the functions or activities of a PRO1868 polypeptide.

[0170] In another embodiment, the invention concerns a method for determining the presence of a PRO1868 polypeptide comprising exposing a cell suspected of containing the polypeptide to an anti-PRO1868 antibody and determining binding of the antibody to the cell.

[0171] In yet another embodiment, the present invention relates to a method of diagnosing an inflammatory related disease in a mammal, comprising detecting the level of expression of a gene encoding a PRO1868 polypeptide (a) in a test sample of tissue cells obtained from the mammal, and (b) in a control sample of known normal tissue cells of the same cell type, wherein a higher expression level in the test sample indicates the presence of an inflammatory disease in the mammal.

[0172] In another embodiment, the present invention relates to method of diagnosing an inflammatory disease in a mammal, comprising (a) contacting an anti-PRO1868 antibody with a test sample of tissue culture cells obtained from the mammal, and (b) detecting the formation of a complex between the antibody and the PRO1868 polypeptide. The detection may be qualitative or quantitative, and may be performed in comparison with monitoring the complex formation in a control sample of known normal tissue cells of the same cell type. A larger quantity of complexes formed in the test sample indicates the presence of tumor in the mammal from which the test tissue cells were obtained. The antibody preferably carries a detectable label. Complex formation can be monitored, for example, by light microscopy, flow cytometry, fluorimetry, or other techniques known in the art. The test sample is usually obtained from an individual suspected of having a deficiency or abnormality relating to the inflammatory response.

[0173] In another embodiment, the present invention relates to a diagnostic kit, containing an anti-PRO1868

antibody and a carrier (e.g., a buffer) in suitable packaging. The kit preferably contains instructions for using the antibody to detect the PRO1868 polypeptide.

[0174] In a further embodiment, the invention concerns an article of manufacture, comprising:

[0175] a container;

[0176] a label on the container; and

[0177] a composition comprising an active agent contained within the container; wherein the composition is effective for stimulating or inhibiting an inflammatory response in a mammal, the label on the container indicates that the composition can be used to treat an inflammatory disease, and the active agent in the composition is an agent stimulating or inhibiting the expression and/or activity of the PRO1868 polypeptide. In a preferred aspect, the active agent is a PRO1868 polypeptide or an anti-PRO1868 antibody.

[0178] A further embodiment is a method for identifying a compound capable of inhibiting the expression and/or activity of a PRO1868 polypeptide by contacting a candidate compound with a PRO1868 polypeptide under conditions and for time sufficient to allow these two compounds to interact. In a specific aspect, either the candidate compound or the PRO1868 polypeptide is immobilized on a solid support. In another aspect, the non-immobilized component carries a detectable label.

[0179] In yet a further aspect, the invention relates to a method of treating an inflammatory disease, by administration of an effective therapeutic amount of a PRO1868 antagonist to a patient in need thereof for the treatment of a disease selected from: inflammatory bowel disease, systemic lupus erythematosus, rheumatoid arthritis, juvenile chronic arthritis, spondyloarthropathies, systemic sclerosis (scleroderma), idiopathic inflammatory myopathies (dermatomyositis, polymyositis), Sjogren's syndrome, systemic vasculitis, sarcoidosis, autoimmune hemolytic anemia (immune pancytopenia, paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria), autoimmune thrombocytopenia (idiopathic thrombocytopenic purpura, immune-mediated thrombocytopenia), thyroiditis (Grave's disease, Hashimoto's thyroiditis, juvenile lymphocytic thyroiditis, atrophic thyroiditis), diabetes mellitus, immune-mediated renal disease (glomerulonephritis, tubulointerstitial nephritis), demyelinating diseases of the central and peripheral nervous systems such as multiple sclerosis, idiopathic polyneuropathy, hepatobiliary diseases such as infectious hepatitis (hepatitis A, B, C, D, E and other nonhepatotropic viruses), autoimmune chronic active hepatitis, primary biliary cirrhosis, granulomatous hepatitis, and sclerosing cholangitis, inflammatory and fibrotic lung diseases (e.g., cystic fibrosis, eosinophilic pneumonias, idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis and hypersensitivity pneumonitis), gluten-sensitive enteropathy, Whipple's disease, autoimmune or immune-mediated skin diseases including bullous skin diseases, erythema multiforme and contact dermatitis, psoriasis, allergic diseases of the lung such as eosinophilic pneumonias, idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis and hypersensitivity pneumonitis, transplantation associated diseases including graft rejection and graft-versus host disease.

[0180] In a further embodiment, the present invention provides a method of diagnosing tumor in a mammal,

comprising detecting the level of expression of a gene encoding a PRO1868 polypeptide (a) in a test sample of tissue cells obtained from the mammal, and (b) in a control sample of known normal tissue cells of the same cell type, wherein a higher expression level in the test sample indicates the presence of tumor in the mammal from which the test tissue cells were obtained.

[0181] In another embodiment, the present invention provides a method of diagnosing tumor in a mammal, comprising (a) contacting an anti-PRO1868 antibody with a test sample of the tissue cells obtained from the mammal, and (b) detecting the formation of a complex between the anti-PRO1868 and the PRO1868 polypeptide in the test sample. The detection may be qualitative or quantitative, and may be performed in comparison with monitoring the complex formation in a control sample of known normal tissue cells of the same cell type. A larger quantity of complexes formed in the test sample indicates the presence of tumor in the mammal from which the test tissue cells were obtained. The antibody preferably carries a detectable label. Complex formation can be monitored, for example, by light microscopy, flow cytometry, fluorimetry, or other techniques known in the art. Preferably, the test sample is obtained from an individual mammal suspected to have neoplastic cell growth or proliferation (e.g., cancerous cells).

[0182] In another embodiment, the present invention provides a cancer diagnostic kit, comprising an anti-PRO1868 antibody and a carrier (e.g. a buffer) in suitable packaging. The kit preferably contains instructions for using the antibody to detect the PRO1868 polypeptide.

[0183] In yet another embodiment, the invention provides a method for inhibiting the growth of tumor cells comprising exposing a cell which overexpresses a PRO1868 polypeptide to an effective amount of an agent inhibiting the expression and/or activity of the PRO1868 polypeptide. The agent preferably is an anti-PRO1868 polypeptide, a small organic and inorganic peptide, phosphopeptide, antisense or ribozyme molecule, or a triple helix molecule. In a specific aspect, the agent, e.g., anti-PRO1868 antibody induces cell death. In a further aspect, the tumor cells are further exposed to radiation treatment and/or a cytotoxic or chemotherapeutic agent.

[0184] In a further embodiment, the invention concerns an article of manufacture, comprising:

[0185] a container;

[0186] a label on the container, and

[0187] a composition comprising an active agent contained within the container; wherein the composition is effective

[0188] for inhibiting the growth of tumor cells, the label on the container indicates that the composition can be used for treating conditions characterized by overexpression of a PRO1868 polypeptide, and the active agent in the composition is an agent inhibiting the expression and/or activity of the PRO1868 polypeptide. In a preferred aspect, the active agent is an anti-PRO1868 antibody.

[0189] A cDNA clone (DNA77624-2515) has been identified, having homology to nucleic acid encoding A33 antigen, that encodes a novel polypeptide, designated in the present application as "PRO1868".

[0190] In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO1868 polypeptide.

[0191] In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to (a) a DNA molecule encoding a PRO1868 polypeptide having the sequence of amino acid residues from about 1 or about 31 to about 310, inclusive of **FIG. 14** (SEQ ID NO:20), or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a).

[0192] In another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule encoding a PRO1868 polypeptide comprising DNA hybridizing to the complement of the nucleic acid between about nucleotides 51 or about 141 and about 980, inclusive, of **FIG. 13** (SEQ ID NO:19). Preferably, hybridization occurs under stringent hybridization and wash conditions.

[0193] In a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to (a) a DNA molecule encoding the same mature polypeptide encoded by the human protein cDNA in ATCC Deposit No. 203553 (DNA77624-2515) or (b) the complement of the nucleic acid molecule of (a). In a preferred embodiment, the nucleic acid comprises a DNA encoding the same mature polypeptide encoded by the human protein cDNA in ATCC Deposit No. 203553 (DNA77624-2515).

[0194] In still a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising (a) DNA encoding a polypeptide having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to the sequence of amino acid residues 1 or about 31 to about 310 inclusive of **FIG. 14** (SEQ ID NO:20), or (b) the complement of the DNA of (a).

[0195] In a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule having at least 390 nucleotides and produced by hybridizing a test DNA molecule under stringent conditions with (a) a DNA molecule encoding a PRO1868 polypeptide having the sequence of amino acid residues from 1 or about 31 to about 310, inclusive of **FIG. 14** (SEQ ID NO:20), or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a), and, if the DNA molecule has at least about an 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about an 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about a 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about a 95% sequence identity to (a) or (b), isolating the test DNA molecule.

[0196] In a specific aspect, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO1868 polypeptide, with or without the N-terminal signal sequence and/or the initiating methionine, and its soluble, i.e., transmembrane domain deleted or inactivated variants, or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid molecule. The signal peptide has been tentatively identified as

extending from about amino acid position 1 to about amino acid position 30 in the sequence of **FIG. 14** (SEQ ID NO:20). The transmembrane domain has been tentatively identified as extending from about amino acid position 243 to about amino acid position 263 in the PRO1868 amino acid sequence (**FIG. 14**, SEQ ID NO:20).

[0197] In another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising (a) DNA encoding a polypeptide scoring at least about 80% positives, preferably at least about 85% positives, more preferably at least about 90% positives, most preferably at least about 95% positives when compared with the amino acid sequence of residues 1 or about 31 to about 310 inclusive of **FIG. 14** (SEQ ID NO:20), or (b) the complement of the DNA of (a).

[0198] Another embodiment is directed to fragments of a PRO1868 polypeptide coding sequence that may find use as hybridization probes. Such nucleic acid fragments are from about 20 to about 80 nucleotides in length, preferably from about 20 to about 60 nucleotides in length, more preferably from about 20 to about 50 nucleotides in length and most preferably from about 20 to about 40 nucleotides in length and may be derived from the nucleotide sequence shown in **FIG. 13** (SEQ ID NO:19).

[0199] In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO1868 polypeptide encoded by any of the isolated nucleic acid sequences hereinabove identified.

[0200] In a specific aspect, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO1868 polypeptide, which in certain embodiments, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 or about 31 to about 310 of **FIG. 14** (SEQ ID NO:20).

[0201] In another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated PRO1868 polypeptide, comprising an amino acid sequence having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to the sequence of amino acid residues 1 or about 31 to about 310, inclusive of **FIG. 14** (SEQ ID NO:20).

[0202] In a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated PRO1868 polypeptide, comprising an amino acid sequence scoring at least about 80% positives, preferably at least about 85% positives, more preferably at least about 90% positives, most preferably at least about 95% positives when compared with the amino acid sequence of residues 1 or about 31 to about 310, inclusive of **FIG. 14** (SEQ ID NO:20).

[0203] In yet another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated PRO1868 polypeptide, comprising the sequence of amino acid residues 1 or about 31 to about 310, inclusive of **FIG. 14** (SEQ ID NO:20), or a fragment thereof sufficient to provide a binding site for an anti-PRO1868 antibody. Preferably, the PRO1868 fragment retains a qualitative biological activity of a native PRO1868 polypeptide.

[0204] In a still further aspect, the invention provides a polypeptide produced by (i) hybridizing a test DNA molecule under stringent conditions with (a) a DNA molecule encoding a PRO1868 polypeptide having the sequence of amino acid residues from about 1 or about 31 to about 310, inclusive of **FIG. 14** (SEQ ID NO:20), or (b) the comple-

ment of the DNA molecule of (a), and if the test DNA molecule has at least about an 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about an 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about a 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about a 95% sequence identity to (a) or (b), (ii) culturing a host cell comprising the test DNA molecule under conditions suitable for expression of the polypeptide, and (iii) recovering the polypeptide from the cell culture.

[0205] In yet another embodiment, the invention concerns agonists and antagonists of a native PRO1868 polypeptide. In a particular embodiment, the agonist or antagonist is an anti-PRO1868 antibody.

[0206] In a further embodiment, the invention concerns a method of identifying agonists or antagonists of a native PRO1868 polypeptide by contacting the native PRO1868 polypeptide with a candidate molecule and monitoring a biological activity mediated by said polypeptide.

[0207] In a still further embodiment, the invention concerns a composition comprising a PRO1868 polypeptide, or an agonist or antagonist as hereinabove defined, in combination with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

[0208] In another embodiment, the invention provides a composition containing a PRO1868 polypeptide or an agonist or antagonist antibody in admixture with a carrier or excipient. In one aspect, the composition contains a therapeutically affective amount of the peptide or antibody. In another aspect, when the composition contains an inflammation stimulating molecule, the composition is useful for: (a) increasing infiltration of inflammatory cells into a tissue of a mammal in need thereof, (b) stimulating or enhancing an immune response in a mammal in need thereof, or (c) increasing the proliferation of T-lymphocytes in a mammal in need thereof in response to an antigen. In a further aspect, when the composition contains an inflammatory inhibiting molecule, the composition is useful for: (a) decreasing infiltration of inflammatory cells into a tissue of a mammal in need thereof, (b) inhibiting or reducing an inflammatory response in a mammal in need thereof, or (c) decreasing the proliferation of T-lymphocytes in a mammal in need thereof in response to an antigen. In another aspect, the composition contains a further active ingredient, which may, for example, be a further antibody or a cytotoxic or chemotherapeutic agent. Preferably, the composition is sterile.

[0209] In a further embodiment, the invention concerns nucleic acid encoding an anti-PRO1868 antibody, and vectors and recombinant host cells comprising such nucleic acid. In a still further embodiment, the invention concerns a method for producing such an antibody by culturing a host cell transformed with nucleic acid encoding the antibody under conditions such that the antibody is expressed, and recovering the antibody from the cell culture.

[0210] 8. PRO3434

[0211] A cDNA clone (DNA77631-2537) has been identified that encodes a novel polypeptide, designated in the present application as "PRO3434."

[0212] In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO3434 polypeptide.

[0213] In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to (a) a DNA molecule encoding a PRO3434 polypeptide having the sequence of amino acid residues from 1 or about 17 to about 1029, inclusive of **FIG. 16** (SEQ ID NO:22), or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a).

[0214] In another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule encoding a PRO3434 polypeptide comprising DNA hybridizing to the complement of the nucleic acid between about residues 46 or about 94 and about 3132, inclusive, of **FIG. 15** (SEQ ID NO:21). Preferably, hybridization occurs under stringent hybridization and wash conditions.

[0215] In a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to (a) a DNA molecule encoding the same mature polypeptide encoded by the human protein cDNA in ATCC Deposit No. 203651 (DNA77631-2537), or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a). In a preferred embodiment, the nucleic acid comprises a DNA encoding the same mature polypeptide encoded by the human protein cDNA in ATCC Deposit No. 203651 (DNA77631-2537).

[0216] In a still further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising (a) DNA encoding a polypeptide having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to the sequence of amino acid residues from 1 or about 17 to about 1029, inclusive of **FIG. 16** (SEQ ID NO:22), or the complement of the DNA of (a).

[0217] In a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule having at least about 460 nucleotides and produced by hybridizing a test DNA molecule under stringent conditions with (a) a DNA molecule encoding a PRO3434 polypeptide having the sequence of amino acid residues from 1 or about 17 to about 1029, inclusive of **FIG. 16** (SEQ ID NO:22), or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a), and, if the DNA molecule has at least about an 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about an 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about a 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about a 95% sequence identity to (a) or (b), isolating the test DNA molecule.

[0218] In a specific aspect, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO3434 polypeptide, with or without the N-terminal signal sequence and/or the initiating methionine, or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid molecule. The signal peptide has been tentatively identified as extending from amino acid position 1 through about amino acid position 16 in the sequence of **FIG. 16** (SEQ ID NO:22).

[0219] In another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising (a) DNA encoding a polypeptide scoring at least about 80% positives, preferably

at least about 85% positives, more preferably at least about 90% positives, most preferably at least about 95% positives when compared with the amino acid sequence of residues 1 or about 17 to about 1029, inclusive of **FIG. 16** (SEQ ID NO:22), or (b) the complement of the DNA of (a).

[0220] Another embodiment is directed to fragments of a PRO3434 polypeptide coding sequence that may find use as hybridization probes. Such nucleic acid fragments are from about 20 to about 80 nucleotides in length, preferably from about 20 to about 60 nucleotides in length, more preferably from about 20 to about 50 nucleotides in length, and most preferably from about 20 to about 40 nucleotides in length.

[0221] In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO3434 polypeptide encoded by any of the isolated nucleic acid sequences hereinabove defined.

[0222] In a specific aspect, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO3434 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 or about 17 to 1029 of **FIG. 16** (SEQ ID NO:22).

[0223] In another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated PRO3434 polypeptide, comprising an amino acid sequence having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to the sequence of amino acid residues 1 or about 17 to about 1029, inclusive of **FIG. 16** (SEQ ID NO:22).

[0224] In a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated PRO3434 polypeptide, comprising an amino acid sequence scoring at least about 80% positives, preferably at least about 85% positives, more preferably at least about 90% positives, most preferably at least about 95% positives when compared with the amino acid sequence of residues 1 or about 17 to 1029 of **FIG. 16** (SEQ ID NO:22).

[0225] In yet another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated PRO3434 polypeptide, comprising the sequence of amino acid residues 1 or about 17 to about 1029, inclusive of **FIG. 16** (SEQ ID NO:22), or a fragment thereof sufficient to provide a binding site for an anti-PRO3434 antibody. Preferably, the PRO982 fragment retains a qualitative biological activity of a native PRO3434 polypeptide.

[0226] In a still further aspect, the invention provides a polypeptide produced by (i) hybridizing a test DNA molecule under stringent conditions with (a) a DNA molecule encoding a PRO3434 polypeptide having the sequence of amino acid residues from 1 or about 17 to about 1029, inclusive of **FIG. 16** (SEQ ID NO:22), or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a), and if the test DNA molecule has at least about an 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about an 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about a 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about a 95% sequence identity to (a) or (b), (ii) culturing a host cell comprising the test DNA molecule under conditions suitable for expression of the polypeptide, and (iii) recovering the polypeptide from the cell culture.

[0227] In yet another embodiment, the invention concerns agonists and antagonists of a native PRO3434 polypeptide. In a particular embodiment, the agonist or antagonist is an anti-PRO3434 antibody.

[0228] In a further embodiment, the invention concerns a method of identifying agonists or antagonists of a native PRO3434 polypeptide, by contacting the native PRO3434 polypeptide with a candidate molecule and monitoring a biological activity mediated by said polypeptide.

[0229] In a still further embodiment, the invention concerns a composition comprising a PRO3434 polypeptide, or an agonist or antagonist as hereinabove defined, in combination with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

[0230] 9. PRO1927

[0231] A cDNA clone (DNA82307-2531) has been identified that encodes a novel polypeptide having homology to glycosyltransferases, and is designated in the present application as "PRO1927".

[0232] In one embodiment, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO1927 polypeptide.

[0233] In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid comprises DNA having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to (a) a DNA molecule encoding a PRO1927 polypeptide having the sequence of amino acid residues from 1 or about 24 to about 548, inclusive of **FIG. 18** (SEQ ID NO:24), or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a).

[0234] In another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule encoding a PRO1927 polypeptide comprising DNA hybridizing to the complement of the nucleic acid between about residues 120 and about 1694, inclusive, of **FIG. 17** (SEQ ID NO:23). Preferably, hybridization occurs under stringent hybridization and wash conditions.

[0235] In a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to (a) a DNA molecule encoding the same mature polypeptide encoded by the human protein cDNA in ATCC Deposit No. 203537 (DNA82307-2531), or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a). In a preferred embodiment, the nucleic acid comprises a DNA encoding the same mature polypeptide encoded by the human protein cDNA in ATCC Deposit No. 203537 (DNA82307-2531).

[0236] In a still further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising (a) DNA encoding a polypeptide having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to the sequence of amino acid residues from 1 or about 24 to about 548, inclusive of **FIG. 18** (SEQ ID NO:24), or the complement of the DNA of (a).

[0237] In a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule having at least about 50 nucleotides, and preferably at least about 100 nucleotides and produced by hybridizing a test DNA molecule under stringent conditions with (a) a DNA molecule encoding a PRO1927 polypeptide having the sequence of amino acid

residues from 1 or about 24 to about 548, inclusive of **FIG. 18** (SEQ ID NO:24), or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a), and, if the DNA molecule has at least about an 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about an 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about a 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about a 95% sequence identity to (a) or (b), isolating the test DNA molecule.

[0238] In a specific aspect, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising DNA encoding a PRO1927 polypeptide, with or without the N-terminal signal sequence and/or the initiating methionine, and its soluble variants (i.e. transmembrane domain deleted or inactivated), or is complementary to such encoding nucleic acid molecule. The signal peptide has been tentatively identified as extending from amino acid position 1 through about amino acid position 23 in the sequence of **FIG. 18** (SEQ ID NO:24). A type II transmembrane domain has been tentatively identified as extending from about amino acid position 6 to about amino acid position 25 in the PRO1927 amino acid sequence (**FIG. 18**, SEQ ID NO:24).

[0239] In another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising (a) DNA encoding a polypeptide scoring at least about 80% positives, preferably at least about 85% positives, more preferably at least about 90% positives, most preferably at least about 95% positives when compared with the amino acid sequence of residues 1 or about 24 to about 548, inclusive of **FIG. 18** (SEQ ID NO:24), or (b) the complement of the DNA of (a).

[0240] Another embodiment is directed to fragments of a PRO1927 polypeptide coding sequence that may find use as hybridization probes. Such nucleic acid fragments are from about 20 to about 80 nucleotides in length, preferably from about 20 to about 60 nucleotides in length, more preferably from about 20 to about 50 nucleotides in length, and most preferably from about 20 to about 40 nucleotides in length.

[0241] In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO1927 polypeptide encoded by any of the isolated nucleic acid sequences hereinabove defined.

[0242] In a specific aspect, the invention provides isolated native sequence PRO1927 polypeptide, which in one embodiment, includes an amino acid sequence comprising residues 1 or about 24 to 548 of **FIG. 18** (SEQ ID NO:24).

[0243] In another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated PRO1927 polypeptide, comprising an amino acid sequence having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about 95% sequence identity to the sequence of amino acid residues 1 or about 24 to about 548, inclusive of **FIG. 18** (SEQ ID NO:24).

[0244] In a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated PRO1927 polypeptide, comprising an amino acid sequence scoring at least about 80% positives, preferably at least about 85% positives, more preferably at least about 90% positives, most preferably at least about 95% positives when compared with the amino acid sequence of residues 1 or about 24 to 548 of **FIG. 18** (SEQ ID NO:24).

[0245] In yet another aspect, the invention concerns an isolated PRO1927 polypeptide, comprising the sequence of

amino acid residues 1 or about 24 to about 548, inclusive of **FIG. 18** (SEQ ID NO:24), or a fragment thereof sufficient to provide a binding site for an anti-PRO1927 antibody. Preferably, the PRO1927 fragment retains a qualitative biological activity of a native PRO1927 polypeptide.

[0246] In a still further aspect, the invention provides a polypeptide produced by (i) hybridizing a test DNA molecule under stringent conditions with (a) a DNA molecule encoding a PRO1927 polypeptide having the sequence of amino acid residues from 1 or about 24 to about 548, inclusive of **FIG. 18** (SEQ ID NO:24), or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a), and if the test DNA molecule has at least about an 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about an 85% sequence identity, more preferably at least about a 90% sequence identity, most preferably at least about a 95% sequence identity to (a) or (b), (ii) culturing a host cell comprising the test DNA molecule under conditions suitable for expression of the polypeptide, and (iii) recovering the polypeptide from the cell culture.

[0247] In yet another embodiment, the invention concerns agonists and antagonists of a native PRO1927 polypeptide. In a particular embodiment, the agonist or antagonist is an anti-PRO1927 antibody.

[0248] In a further embodiment, the invention concerns a method of identifying agonists or antagonists of a native PRO1927 polypeptide, by contacting the native PRO1927 polypeptide with a candidate molecule and monitoring a biological activity mediated by said polypeptide.

[0249] In a still further embodiment, the invention concerns a composition comprising a PRO1927 polypeptide, or an agonist or antagonist as hereinabove defined, in combination with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier

[0250] 10. Additional Embodiments

[0251] In other embodiments of the present invention, the invention provides vectors comprising DNA encoding any of the herein described polypeptides. Host cell comprising any such vector are also provided. By way of example, the host cells may be CHO cells, *E. coli*, or yeast. A process for producing any of the herein described polypeptides is further provided and comprises culturing host cells under conditions suitable for expression of the desired polypeptide and recovering the desired polypeptide from the cell culture.

[0252] In other embodiments, the invention provides chimeric molecules comprising any of the herein described polypeptides fused to a heterologous polypeptide or amino acid sequence. Example of such chimeric molecules comprise any of the herein described polypeptides fused to an epitope tag sequence or a Fc region of an immunoglobulin.

[0253] In another embodiment, the invention provides an antibody which specifically binds to any of the above or below described polypeptides. Optionally, the antibody is a monoclonal antibody, humanized antibody, antibody fragment or single-chain antibody.

[0254] In yet other embodiments, the invention provides oligonucleotide probes useful for isolating genomic and cDNA nucleotide sequences or as antisense probes, wherein those probes may be derived from any of the above or below described nucleotide sequences.

[0255] In other embodiments, the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence that encodes a PRO polypeptide.

[0256] In one aspect, the isolated nucleic acid molecule comprises a nucleotide sequence having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 81% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 82% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 83% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 84% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 86% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 87% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 88% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 89% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 91% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 92% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 93% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 94% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 95% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 96% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 97% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 98% sequence identity and yet more preferably at least about 99% sequence identity to (a) a DNA molecule encoding a PRO polypeptide having a full-length amino acid sequence as disclosed herein, an amino acid sequence lacking the signal peptide as disclosed herein, an extracellular domain of a transmembrane protein, with or without the signal peptide, as disclosed herein or any other specifically defined fragment of the full-length amino acid sequence as disclosed herein, or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a).

[0257] In other aspects, the isolated nucleic acid molecule comprises a nucleotide sequence having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 81% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 82% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 83% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 84% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 86% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 87% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 88% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 89% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 91% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 92% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 93% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 94% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 95% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 96% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 97% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 98% sequence identity and yet more preferably at least about 99% sequence identity to (a) a DNA molecule comprising the coding sequence of a full-length PRO polypeptide cDNA as disclosed herein, the coding sequence of a PRO polypeptide lacking the signal peptide as disclosed herein, the coding sequence of an extracellular domain of a transmembrane PRO polypeptide, with or without the signal peptide, as disclosed herein or the coding sequence of any other specifically defined fragment of the full-length amino acid sequence as disclosed herein, or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a).

[0258] In a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 81% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 82% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 83% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 84% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 86% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 87% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 88% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 89% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 91% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 92% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 93% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 94% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 95% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 96% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 97% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 98% sequence identity and yet more preferably at least about 99% sequence identity to (a) a DNA molecule that encodes the same mature polypeptide encoded by any of the human protein cDNAs deposited with the ATCC as disclosed herein, or (b) the complement of the DNA molecule of (a).

[0259] Another aspect the invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding a PRO polypeptide which is either transmembrane domain-deleted or transmembrane domain-inactivated, or is complementary to such encoding nucleotide sequence, wherein the transmembrane domain(s) of such polypeptide are disclosed herein. Therefore, soluble extracellular domains of the herein described PRO polypeptides are contemplated.

[0260] Another embodiment is directed to fragments of a PRO polypeptide coding sequence, or the complement thereof, that may find use as, for example, hybridization probes, for encoding fragments of a PRO polypeptide that may optionally encode a polypeptide comprising a binding site for an anti-PRO antibody or as antisense oligonucleotide probes. Such nucleic acid fragments are usually at least about 20 nucleotides in length, preferably at least about 30 nucleotides in length, more preferably at least about 40 nucleotides in length, yet more preferably at least about 50 nucleotides in length, yet more preferably at least about 60 nucleotides in length, yet more preferably at least about 70 nucleotides in length, yet more preferably at least about 80 nucleotides in length, yet more preferably at least about 90 nucleotides in length, yet more preferably at least about 100 nucleotides in length, yet more preferably at least about 110 nucleotides in length, yet more preferably at least about 120 nucleotides in length, yet more preferably at least about 130 nucleotides in length, yet more preferably at least about 140 nucleotides in length, yet more preferably at least about 150 nucleotides in length, yet more preferably at least about 160 nucleotides in length, yet more preferably at least about 170 nucleotides in length, yet more preferably at least about 180 nucleotides in length, yet more preferably at least about 190 nucleotides in length, yet more preferably at least about 200 nucleotides in length, yet more preferably at least about 250 nucleotides in length, yet more preferably at least about 300 nucleotides in length, yet more preferably at least about 350 nucleotides in length, yet more preferably at least about 400

nucleotides in length, yet more preferably at least about 450 nucleotides in length, yet more preferably at least about 500 nucleotides in length, yet more preferably at least about 600 nucleotides in length, yet more preferably at least about 700 nucleotides in length, yet more preferably at least about 800 nucleotides in length, yet more preferably at least about 900 nucleotides in length and yet more preferably at least about 1000 nucleotides in length, wherein in this context the term "about" means the referenced nucleotide sequence length plus or minus 10% of that referenced length. It is noted that novel fragments of a PRO polypeptide-encoding nucleotide sequence may be determined in a routine manner by aligning the PRO polypeptide-encoding nucleotide sequence with other known nucleotide sequences using any of a number of well known sequence alignment programs and determining which PRO polypeptide-encoding nucleotide sequence fragment(s) are novel. All of such PRO polypeptide-encoding nucleotide sequences are contemplated herein. Also contemplated are the PRO polypeptide fragments encoded by these nucleotide molecule fragments, preferably those PRO polypeptide fragments that comprise a binding site for an anti-PRO antibody.

[0261] In another embodiment, the invention provides isolated PRO polypeptide encoded by any of the isolated nucleic acid sequences hereinabove identified.

[0262] In a certain aspect, the invention concerns an isolated PRO polypeptide, comprising an amino acid sequence having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 81% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 82% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 83% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 84% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 86% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 87% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 88% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 89% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 91% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 92% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 93% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 94% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 95% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 96% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 97% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 98% sequence identity and yet more preferably at least about 99% sequence identity to a PRO polypeptide having a full-length amino acid sequence as disclosed herein, an amino acid sequence lacking the signal peptide as disclosed herein, an extracellular domain of a transmembrane protein, with or without the signal peptide, as disclosed herein or any other specifically defined fragment of the full-length amino acid sequence as disclosed herein.

[0263] In a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated PRO polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence having at least about 80% sequence identity, preferably at least about 81% sequence identity, more preferably at least about 82% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 83% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 84% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 85% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 86% sequence identity, yet more

preferably at least about 87% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 88% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 89% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 90% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 91% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 92% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 93% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 94% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 95% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 96% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 97% sequence identity, yet more preferably at least about 98% sequence identity and yet more preferably at least about 99% sequence identity to an amino acid sequence encoded by any of the human protein cDNAs deposited with the ATCC as disclosed herein.

[0264] In a further aspect, the invention concerns an isolated PRO polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence scoring at least about 80% positives, preferably at least about 81% positives, more preferably at least about 82% positives, yet more preferably at least about 83% positives, yet more preferably at least about 84% positives, yet more preferably at least about 85% positives, yet more preferably at least about 86% positives, yet more preferably at least about 87% positives, yet more preferably at least about 88% positives, yet more preferably at least about 89% positives, yet more preferably at least about 90% positives, yet more preferably at least about 91% positives, yet more preferably at least about 92% positives, yet more preferably at least about 93% positives, yet more preferably at least about 94% positives, yet more preferably at least about 95% positives, yet more preferably at least about 96% positives, yet more preferably at least about 97% positives, yet more preferably at least about 98% positives and yet more preferably at least about 99% positives when compared with the amino acid sequence of a PRO polypeptide having a full-length amino acid sequence as disclosed herein, an amino acid sequence lacking the signal peptide as disclosed herein, an extracellular domain of a transmembrane protein, with or without the signal peptide, as disclosed herein or any other specifically defined fragment of the full-length amino acid sequence as disclosed herein.

[0265] In a specific aspect, the invention provides an isolated PRO polypeptide without the N-terminal signal sequence and/or the initiating methionine and is encoded by a nucleotide sequence that encodes such an amino acid sequence as hereinbefore described. Processes for producing the same are also herein described, wherein those processes comprise culturing a host cell comprising a vector which comprises the appropriate encoding nucleic acid molecule under conditions suitable for expression of the PRO polypeptide and recovering the PRO polypeptide from the cell culture.

[0266] Another aspect the invention provides an isolated PRO polypeptide which is either transmembrane domain-deleted or transmembrane domain-inactivated. Processes for producing the same are also herein described, wherein those processes comprise culturing a host cell comprising a vector which comprises the appropriate encoding nucleic acid molecule under conditions suitable for expression of the PRO polypeptide and recovering the PRO polypeptide from the cell culture.

[0267] In yet another embodiment, the invention concerns agonists and antagonists of a native PRO polypeptide as

defined herein. In a particular embodiment, the agonist or antagonist is an anti-PRO antibody or a small molecule.

[0268] In a further embodiment, the invention concerns a method of identifying agonists or antagonists to a PRO polypeptide which comprise contacting the PRO polypeptide with a candidate molecule and monitoring a biological activity mediated by said PRO polypeptide. Preferably, the PRO polypeptide is a native PRO polypeptide.

[0269] In a still further embodiment, the invention concerns a composition of matter comprising a PRO polypeptide, or an agonist or antagonist of a PRO polypeptide as herein described, or an anti-PRO antibody, in combination with a carrier. Optionally, the carrier is a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

[0270] Another embodiment of the present invention is directed to the use of a PRO polypeptide, or an agonist or antagonist thereof as hereinbefore described, or an anti-PRO antibody, for the preparation of a medicament useful in the treatment of a condition which is responsive to the PRO polypeptide, an agonist or antagonist thereof or an anti-PRO antibody.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

[0271] FIG. 1 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:1) of a native sequence PRO1800 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:1 is a clone designated herein as "DNA35672-2508".

[0272] FIG. 2 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:2) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:1 shown in FIG. 1.

[0273] FIG. 3 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:6) of a native sequence PRO539 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:6 is a clone designated herein as "DNA47465-1561".

[0274] FIG. 4 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:7) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:6 shown in FIG. 3.

[0275] FIG. 5 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:8) of a native sequence PRO982 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:8 is a clone designated herein as "DNA57700-1408".

[0276] FIG. 6 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:9) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:8 shown in FIG. 5.

[0277] FIG. 7 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:12) of a native sequence PRO1434 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:12 is a clone designated herein as "DNA68818-2536".

[0278] FIG. 8 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:13) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:12 shown in FIG. 7.

[0279] FIG. 9 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:17) of a native sequence PRO1863 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:17 is a clone designated herein as "DNA59847-2510".

[0280] FIG. 10 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:18) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:17 shown in FIG. 9.

[0281] FIG. 11 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:19) of a native sequence PRO1917 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:19 is a clone designated herein as "DNA76400-2528".

[0282] FIG. 12 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:20) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:19 shown in FIG. 11.

[0283] FIG. 13 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:21) of a native sequence PRO1868 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:21 is a clone designated herein as "DNA77624-2515".

[0284] FIG. 14 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:22) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:21 shown in FIG. 13.

[0285] FIG. 15 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:23) of a native sequence PRO3434 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:23 is a clone designated herein as "DNA77631-2537".

[0286] FIG. 16 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:24) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:23 shown in FIG. 15.

[0287] FIG. 17 shows a nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:25) of a native sequence PRO1927 cDNA, wherein SEQ ID NO:25 is a clone designated herein as "DNA82307-2531".

[0288] FIG. 18 shows the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:26) derived from the coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:25 shown in FIG. 17.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

[0289] I. Definitions

[0290] The terms "PRO polypeptide" and "PRO" as used herein and when immediately followed by a numerical designation refer to various polypeptides, wherein the complete designation (i.e., PRO/number) refers to specific polypeptide sequences as described herein. The terms "PRO/number polypeptide" and "PRO/number" wherein the term "number" is provided as an actual numerical designation as used herein encompass native sequence polypeptides and polypeptide variants (which are further defined herein). The PRO polypeptides described herein may be isolated from a variety of sources, such as from human tissue types or from another source, or prepared by recombinant or synthetic methods.

[0291] A "native sequence PRO polypeptide" comprises a polypeptide having the same amino acid sequence as the corresponding PRO polypeptide derived from nature. Such native sequence PRO polypeptides can be isolated from nature or can be produced by recombinant or synthetic means. The term "native sequence PRO polypeptide" specifically encompasses naturally-occurring truncated or secreted forms of the specific PRO polypeptide (e.g., an extracellular domain sequence), naturally-occurring variant forms (e.g., alternatively spliced forms) and naturally-occurring allelic variants of the polypeptide. In various embodiments of the invention, the native sequence PRO polypeptides disclosed herein are mature or full-length native sequence polypeptides comprising the full-length amino acid sequences shown in the accompanying figures. Start and stop codons are shown in bold font and underlined in the figures. However, while the PRO polypeptide disclosed in the accompanying figures are shown to begin with methionine residues designated herein as amino acid posi-

tion 1 in the figures, it is conceivable and possible that other methionine residues located either upstream or downstream from the amino acid position 1 in the figures may be employed as the starting amino acid residue for the PRO polypeptides.

[0292] The PRO polypeptide "extracellular domain" or "ECD" refers to a form of the PRO polypeptide which is essentially free of the transmembrane and cytoplasmic domains. Ordinarily, a PRO polypeptide ECD will have less than 1% of such transmembrane and/or cytoplasmic domains and preferably, will have less than 0.5% of such domains. It will be understood that any transmembrane domains identified for the PRO polypeptides of the present invention are identified pursuant to criteria routinely employed in the art for identifying that type of hydrophobic domain. The exact boundaries of a transmembrane domain may vary but most likely by no more than about 5 amino acids at either end of the domain as initially identified herein. Optionally, therefore, an extracellular domain of a PRO polypeptide may contain from about 5 or fewer amino acids on either side of the transmembrane domain/extracellular domain boundary as identified in the Examples or specification and such polypeptides, with or without the associated signal peptide, and nucleic acid encoding them, are contemplated by the present invention.

[0293] The approximate location of the "signal peptides" of the various PRO polypeptides disclosed herein are shown in the present specification and/or the accompanying figures. It is noted, however, that the C-terminal boundary of a signal peptide may vary, but most likely by no more than about 5 amino acids on either side of the signal peptide C-terminal boundary as initially identified herein, wherein the C-terminal boundary of the signal peptide may be identified pursuant to criteria routinely employed in the art for identifying that type of amino acid sequence element (e.g., Nielsen et al., *Prot. Eng.* 10: 1-6 (1997) and von Heinje et al., *Nucl. Acids. Res.* 14:4683-4690 (1986)). Moreover, it is also recognized that, in some cases, cleavage of a signal sequence from a secreted polypeptide is not entirely uniform, resulting in more than one secreted species. These polypeptides, where the signal peptide is cleaved within no more than about 5 amino acids on either side of the C-terminal boundary of the signal peptide as identified herein, and the polynucleotides encoding them, are contemplated by the present invention.

[0294] "PRO polypeptide variant" means an active PRO polypeptide as defined above or below having at least about 80% amino acid sequence identity with a full-length native sequence PRO polypeptide sequence as disclosed herein, a PRO polypeptide sequence lacking the signal peptide as disclosed herein, an extracellular domain of a PRO polypeptide, with or without the signal peptide, as disclosed herein or any other fragment of a full-length PRO polypeptide sequence as disclosed herein. Such PRO polypeptide variants include, for instance, PRO polypeptides wherein one or more amino acid residues are added, or deleted, at the N- or C-terminus of the full-length native amino acid sequence. Ordinarily, a PRO polypeptide variant will have at least about 80% amino acid sequence identity, preferably at least about 81% amino acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 82% amino acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 83% amino acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 84% amino acid sequence

identity, more preferably at least about 85% amino acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 86% amino acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 87% amino acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 88% amino acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 89% amino acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% amino acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 91% amino acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 92% amino acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 93% amino acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 94% amino acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 95% amino acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 96% amino acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 97% amino acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 98% amino acid sequence identity and most preferably at least about 99% amino acid sequence identity with a full-length native sequence PRO polypeptide sequence as disclosed herein, a PRO polypeptide sequence lacking the signal peptide as disclosed herein, an extracellular domain of a PRO polypeptide, with or without the signal peptide, as disclosed herein or any other specifically defined fragment of a full-length PRO polypeptide sequence as disclosed herein. Ordinarily, PRO variant polypeptides are at least about 10 amino acids in length, often at least about 20 amino acids in length, more often at least about 30 amino acids in length, more often at least about 40 amino acids in length, more often at least about 50 amino acids in length, more often at least about 60 amino acids in length, more often at least about 70 amino acids in length, more often at least about 80 amino acids in length, more often at least about 90 amino acids in length, more often at least about 100 amino acids in length, more often at least about 150 amino acids in length, more often at least about 200 amino acids in length, more often at least about 300 amino acids in length, or more.

[0295] "Percent (%) amino acid sequence identity" with respect to the PRO polypeptide sequences identified herein is defined as the percentage of amino acid residues in a candidate sequence that are identical with the amino acid residues in the specific PRO polypeptide sequence, after aligning the sequences and introducing gaps, if necessary, to achieve the maximum percent sequence identity, and not considering any conservative substitutions as part of the sequence identity. Alignment for purposes of determining percent amino acid sequence identity can be achieved in various ways that are within the skill in the art, for instance, using publicly available computer software such as BLAST, BLAST-2, ALIGN or Megalign (DNASTAR) software. Those skilled in the art can determine appropriate parameters for measuring alignment, including any algorithms needed to achieve maximal alignment over the full length of the sequences being compared. For purposes herein, however, % amino acid sequence identity values are generated using the sequence comparison computer program ALIGN-2, wherein the complete source code for the ALIGN-2 program is provided in Table 1 below. The ALIGN-2 sequence comparison computer program was authored by Genentech, Inc. and the source code shown in Table 1 below has been filed with user documentation in the U.S. Copyright Office, Washington D.C., 20559, where it is registered under U.S. Copyright Registration No. TXU510087. The ALIGN-2 program is publicly available through Genentech, Inc., South San Francisco, Calif. or may be compiled from

the source code provided in Table 1 below. The ALIGN-2 program should be compiled for use on a UNIX operating system, preferably digital UNIX V4.0D. All sequence comparison parameters are set by the ALIGN-2 program and do not vary.

[0296] In situations where ALIGN-2 is employed for amino acid sequence comparisons, the % amino acid sequence identity of a given amino acid sequence A to, with, or against a given amino acid sequence B (which can alternatively be phrased as a given amino acid sequence A that has or comprises a certain % amino acid sequence identity to, with, or against a given amino acid sequence B) is calculated as follows:

100 times the fraction X/Y

[0297] where X is the number of amino acid residues scored as identical matches by the sequence alignment program ALIGN-2 in that program's alignment of A and B, and where Y is the total number of amino acid residues in B. It will be appreciated that where the length of amino acid sequence A is not equal to the length of amino acid sequence B, the % amino acid sequence identity of A to B will not equal the % amino acid sequence identity of B to A. As examples of % amino acid sequence identity calculations using this method, Tables 2 and 3 demonstrate how to calculate the % amino acid sequence identity of the amino acid sequence designated "Comparison Protein" to the amino acid sequence designated "PRO", wherein "PRO" represents the amino acid sequence of a hypothetical PRO polypeptide of interest, "Comparison Protein" represents the amino acid sequence of a polypeptide against which the "PRO" polypeptide of interest is being compared, and "X," "Y" and "Z" each represent different hypothetical amino acid residues.

[0298] Unless specifically stated otherwise, all % amino acid sequence identity values used herein are obtained as described in the immediately preceding paragraph using the ALIGN-2 computer program. However, % amino acid sequence identity values may also be obtained as described below by using the WU-BLAST-2 computer program (Altschul et al., *Methods in Enzymology* 266:460-480 (1996)). Most of the WU-BLAST-2 search parameters are set to the default values. Those not set to default values, i.e., the adjustable parameters, are set with the following values: overlap span=1, overlap fraction=0.125, word threshold (T)=11, and scoring matrix=BLOSUM62. When WU-BLAST-2 is employed, a % amino acid sequence identity value is determined by dividing (a) the number of matching identical amino acid residues between the amino acid sequence of the PRO polypeptide of interest having a sequence derived from the native PRO polypeptide and the comparison amino acid sequence of interest (i.e., the sequence against which the PRO polypeptide of interest is being compared which may be a PRO variant polypeptide) as determined by WU-BLAST-2 by (b) the total number of amino acid residues of the PRO polypeptide of interest. For example, in the statement "a polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence A which has or having at least 80% amino acid sequence identity to the amino acid sequence B", the amino acid sequence A is the comparison amino acid sequence of interest and the amino acid sequence B is the amino acid sequence of the PRO polypeptide of interest.

[0299] Percent amino acid sequence identity may also be determined using the sequence comparison program NCBI-

BLAST2 (Altschul et al., *Nucleic Acids Res.* 25:3389-3402 (1997)). The NCBI-BLAST2 sequence comparison program may be downloaded from <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov>. NCBI-BLAST2 uses several search parameters, wherein all of those search parameters are set to default values including, for example, unmask=yes, strand=all, expected occurrences=10, minimum low complexity length=15/5, multi-pass e-value=0.01, constant for multi-pass=25, dropoff for final gapped alignment=25 and scoring matrix=BLO-SUM62.

[0300] In situations where NCBI-BLAST2 is employed for amino acid sequence comparisons, the % amino acid sequence identity of a given amino acid sequence A to, with, or against a given amino acid sequence B (which can alternatively be phrased as a given amino acid sequence A that has or comprises a certain % amino acid sequence identity to, with, or against a given amino acid sequence B) is calculated as follows:

100 times the fraction X/Y

[0301] where X is the number of amino acid residues scored as identical matches by the sequence alignment program NCBI-BLAST2 in that program's alignment of A and B, and where Y is the total number of amino acid residues in B. It will be appreciated that where the length of amino acid sequence A is not equal to the length of amino acid sequence B, the % amino acid sequence identity of A to B will not equal the % amino acid sequence identity of B to A.

[0302] "PRO variant polynucleotide" or "PRO variant nucleic acid sequence" means a nucleic acid molecule which encodes an active PRO polypeptide as defined below and which has at least about 80% nucleic acid sequence identity with a nucleotide acid sequence encoding a full-length native sequence PRO polypeptide sequence as disclosed herein, a full-length native sequence PRO polypeptide sequence lacking the signal peptide as disclosed herein, an extracellular domain of a PRO polypeptide, with or without the signal peptide, as disclosed herein or any other fragment of a full-length PRO polypeptide sequence as disclosed herein. Ordinarily, a PRO variant polynucleotide will have at least about 80% nucleic acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 81% nucleic acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 82% nucleic acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 83% nucleic acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 84% nucleic acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 85% nucleic acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 86% nucleic acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 87% nucleic acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 88% nucleic acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 89% nucleic acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 90% nucleic acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 91% nucleic acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 92% nucleic acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 93% nucleic acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 94% nucleic acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 95% nucleic acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 96% nucleic acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 97% nucleic acid sequence identity, more preferably at least about 98% nucleic acid sequence identity and yet more preferably at least about 99% nucleic acid sequence identity with a

nucleic acid sequence encoding a full-length native sequence PRO polypeptide sequence as disclosed herein, a full-length native sequence PRO polypeptide sequence lacking the signal peptide as disclosed herein, an extracellular domain of a PRO polypeptide, with or without the signal sequence, as disclosed herein or any other fragment of a full-length PRO polypeptide sequence as disclosed herein. Variants do not encompass the native nucleotide sequence.

[0303] Ordinarily, PRO variant polynucleotides are at least about 30 nucleotides in length, often at least about 60 nucleotides in length, more often at least about 90 nucleotides in length, more often at least about 120 nucleotides in length, more often at least about 150 nucleotides in length, more often at least about 180 nucleotides in length, more often at least about 210 nucleotides in length, more often at least about 240 nucleotides in length, more often at least about 270 nucleotides in length, more often at least about 300 nucleotides in length, more often at least about 450 nucleotides in length, more often at least about 600 nucleotides in length, more often at least about 900 nucleotides in length, or more.

[0304] "Percent (%) nucleic acid sequence identity" with respect to PRO-encoding nucleic acid sequences identified herein is defined as the percentage of nucleotides in a candidate sequence that are identical with the nucleotides in the PRO nucleic acid sequence of interest, after aligning the sequences and introducing gaps, if necessary, to achieve the maximum percent sequence identity. Alignment for purposes of determining percent nucleic acid sequence identity can be achieved in various ways that are within the skill in the art, for instance, using publicly available computer software such as BLAST, BLAST-2, ALIGN or Megalign (DNASTAR) software. For purposes herein, however, % nucleic acid sequence identity values are generated using the sequence comparison computer program ALIGN-2, wherein the complete source code for the ALIGN-2 program is provided in Table 1 below. The ALIGN-2 sequence comparison computer program was authored by Genentech, Inc. and the source code shown in Table 1 below has been filed with user documentation in the U.S. Copyright Office, Washington D.C., 20559, where it is registered under U.S. Copyright Registration No. TXU510087. The ALIGN-2 program is publicly available through Genentech, Inc., South San Francisco, Calif. or may be compiled from the source code provided in Table 1 below. The ALIGN-2 program should be compiled for use on a UNIX operating system, preferably digital UNIX V4.0D. All sequence comparison parameters are set by the ALIGN-2 program and do not vary.

[0305] In situations where ALIGN-2 is employed for nucleic acid sequence comparisons, the % nucleic acid sequence identity of a given nucleic acid sequence C to, with, or against a given nucleic acid sequence D (which can alternatively be phrased as a given nucleic acid sequence C that has or comprises a certain % nucleic acid sequence identity to, with, or against a given nucleic acid sequence D) is calculated as follows:

100 times the fraction W/Z

[0306] where W is the number of nucleotides scored as identical matches by the sequence alignment program ALIGN-2 in that program's alignment of C and D, and where Z is the total number of nucleotides in D. It will be

appreciated that where the length of nucleic acid sequence C is not equal to the length of nucleic acid sequence D, the % nucleic acid sequence identity of C to D will not equal the % nucleic acid sequence identity of D to C. As examples of % nucleic acid sequence identity calculations, Tables 4 and 5, demonstrate how to calculate the % nucleic acid sequence identity of the nucleic acid sequence designated "Comparison DNA" to the nucleic acid sequence designated "PRO-DNA", wherein "PRO-DNA" represents a hypothetical PRO-encoding nucleic acid sequence of interest, "Comparison DNA" represents the nucleotide sequence of a nucleic acid molecule against which the "PRO-DNA" nucleic acid molecule of interest is being compared, and "N", "L" and "V" each represent different hypothetical nucleotides.

[0307] Unless specifically stated otherwise, all % nucleic acid sequence identity values used herein are obtained as described in the immediately preceding paragraph using the ALIGN-2 computer program. However, % nucleic acid sequence identity values may also be obtained as described below by using the WU-BLAST-2 computer program (Altschul et al., *Methods in Enzymology* 266:460-480 (1996)). Most of the WU-BLAST-2 search parameters are set to the default values. Those not set to default values, i.e., the adjustable parameters, are set with the following values: overlap span=1, overlap fraction=0.125, word threshold (T)=11, and scoring matrix=BLOSUM62. When WU-BLAST-2 is employed, a % nucleic acid sequence identity value is determined by dividing (a) the number of matching identical nucleotides between the nucleic acid sequence of the PRO polypeptide-encoding nucleic acid molecule of interest having a sequence derived from the native sequence PRO polypeptide-encoding nucleic acid and the comparison nucleic acid molecule of interest (i.e., the sequence against which the PRO polypeptide-encoding nucleic acid molecule of interest is being compared which may be a variant PRO polynucleotide) as determined by WU-BLAST-2 by (b) the total number of nucleotides of the PRO polypeptide-encoding nucleic acid molecule of interest. For example, in the statement "an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleic acid sequence A which has or having at least 80% nucleic acid sequence identity to the nucleic acid sequence B", the nucleic acid sequence A is the comparison nucleic acid molecule of interest and the nucleic acid sequence B is the nucleic acid sequence of the PRO polypeptide-encoding nucleic acid molecule of interest.

[0308] Percent nucleic acid sequence identity may also be determined using the sequence comparison program NCBI-BLAST2 (Altschul et al., *Nucleic Acids Res.* 25:3389-3402 (1997)). The NCBI-BLAST2 sequence comparison program may be downloaded from <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov>. NCBI-BLAST2 uses several search parameters, wherein all of those search parameters are set to default values including, for example, unmask=yes, strand=all, expected occurrences=10, minimum low complexity length=15/5, multi-pass e-value=0.01, constant for multi-pass=25, dropoff for final gapped alignment=25 and scoring matrix=BLOSUM62.

[0309] In situations where NCBI-BLAST2 is employed for sequence comparisons, the % nucleic acid sequence identity of a given nucleic acid sequence C to, with, or against a given nucleic acid sequence D (which can alternatively be phrased as a given nucleic acid sequence C that

has or comprises a certain % nucleic acid sequence identity to, with, or against a given nucleic acid sequence D) is calculated as follows:

100 times the fraction W/Z

[0310] where W is the number of nucleotides scored as identical matches by the sequence alignment program NCBI-BLAST2 in that program's alignment of C and D, and where Z is the total number of nucleotides in D. It will be appreciated that where the length of nucleic acid sequence C is not equal to the length of nucleic acid sequence D, the % nucleic acid sequence identity of C to D will not equal the % nucleic acid sequence identity of D to C.

[0311] In other embodiments, PRO variant polynucleotides are nucleic acid molecules that encode an active PRO polypeptide and which are capable of hybridizing, preferably under stringent hybridization and wash conditions, to nucleotide sequences encoding a full-length PRO polypeptide as disclosed herein. PRO variant polypeptides may be those that are encoded by a PRO variant polynucleotide.

[0312] The term "positives", in the context of sequence comparison performed as described above, includes residues in the sequences compared that are not identical but have similar properties (e.g. as a result of conservative substitutions, see Table 6 below). For purposes herein, the % value of positives is determined by dividing (a) the number of amino acid residues scoring a positive value between the PRO polypeptide amino acid sequence of interest having a sequence derived from the native PRO polypeptide sequence and the comparison amino acid sequence of interest (i.e., the amino acid sequence against which the PRO polypeptide sequence is being compared) as determined in the BLOSUM62 matrix of WU-BLAST-2 by (b) the total number of amino acid residues of the PRO polypeptide of interest.

[0313] Unless specifically stated otherwise, the % value of positives is calculated as described in the immediately preceding paragraph. However, in the context of the amino acid sequence identity comparisons performed as described for ALIGN-2 and NCBI-BLAST2 above, includes amino acid residues in the sequences compared that are not only identical, but also those that have similar properties. Amino acid residues that score a positive value to an amino acid residue of interest are those that are either identical to the amino acid residue of interest or are a preferred substitution (as defined in Table 6 below) of the amino acid residue of interest.

[0314] For amino acid sequence comparisons using ALIGN-2 or NCBI-BLAST2, the % value of positives of a given amino acid sequence A to, with, or against a given amino acid sequence B (which can alternatively be phrased as a given amino acid sequence A that has or comprises a certain % positives to, with, or against a given amino acid sequence B) is calculated as follows:

100 times the fraction X/Y

[0315] where X is the number of amino acid residues scoring a positive value as defined above by the sequence alignment program ALIGN-2 or NCBI-BLAST2 in that program's alignment of A and B, and where Y is the total number of amino acid residues in B. It will be appreciated that where the length of amino acid sequence A is not equal to the length of amino acid sequence B, the % positives of A to B will not equal the % positives of B to A.

[0316] "Isolated," when used to describe the various polypeptides disclosed herein, means polypeptide that has been identified and separated and/or recovered from a component of its natural environment. Contaminant components of its natural environment are materials that would typically interfere with diagnostic or therapeutic uses for the polypeptide, and may include enzymes, hormones, and other proteinaceous or non-proteinaceous solutes. In preferred embodiments, the polypeptide will be purified (1) to a degree sufficient to obtain at least 15 residues of N-terminal or internal amino acid sequence by use of a spinning cup sequenator, or (2) to homogeneity by SDS-PAGE under non-reducing or reducing conditions using Coomassie blue or, preferably, silver stain. Isolated polypeptide includes polypeptide in situ within recombinant cells, since at least one component of the PRO polypeptide natural environment will not be present. Ordinarily, however, isolated polypeptide will be prepared by at least one purification step.

[0317] An "isolated" PRO polypeptide-encoding nucleic acid or other polypeptide-encoding nucleic acid is a nucleic acid molecule that is identified and separated from at least one contaminant nucleic acid molecule with which it is ordinarily associated in the natural source of the polypeptide-encoding nucleic acid. An isolated polypeptide-encoding nucleic acid molecule is other than in the form or setting in which it is found in nature. Isolated polypeptide-encoding nucleic acid molecules therefore are distinguished from the specific polypeptide-encoding nucleic acid molecule as it exists in natural cells. However, an isolated polypeptide-encoding nucleic acid molecule includes polypeptide-encoding nucleic acid molecules contained in cells that ordinarily express the polypeptide where, for example, the nucleic acid molecule is in a chromosomal location different from that of natural cells.

[0318] The term "control sequences" refers to DNA sequences necessary for the expression of an operably linked coding sequence in a particular host organism. The control sequences that are suitable for prokaryotes, for example, include a promoter, optionally an operator sequence, and a ribosome binding site. Eukaryotic cells are known to utilize promoters, polyadenylation signals, and enhancers.

[0319] Nucleic acid is "operably linked" when it is placed into a functional relationship with another nucleic acid sequence. For example, DNA for a presequence or secretory leader is operably linked to DNA for a polypeptide if it is expressed as a preprotein that participates in the secretion of the polypeptide; a promoter or enhancer is operably linked to a coding sequence if it affects the transcription of the sequence; or a ribosome binding site is operably linked to a coding sequence if it is positioned so as to facilitate translation. Generally, "operably linked" means that the DNA sequences being linked are contiguous, and, in the case of a secretory leader, contiguous and in reading phase. However, enhancers do not have to be contiguous. Linking is accomplished by ligation at convenient restriction sites. If such sites do not exist, the synthetic oligonucleotide adaptors or linkers are used in accordance with conventional practice.

[0320] The term "antibody" is used in the broadest sense and specifically covers, for example, single anti-PRO monoclonal antibodies (including agonist, antagonist, and neutralizing antibodies), anti-PRO antibody compositions with polypepitopic specificity, single chain anti-PRO antibodies,

and fragments of anti-PRO antibodies (see below). The term "monoclonal antibody" as used herein refers to an antibody obtained from a population of substantially homogeneous antibodies, i.e., the individual antibodies comprising the population are identical except for possible naturally-occurring mutations that may be present in minor amounts.

[0321] "Stringency" of hybridization reactions is readily determinable by one of ordinary skill in the art, and generally is an empirical calculation dependent upon probe length, washing temperature, and salt concentration. In general, longer probes require higher temperatures for proper annealing, while shorter probes need lower temperatures. Hybridization generally depends on the ability of denatured DNA to reanneal when complementary strands are present in an environment below their melting temperature. The higher the degree of desired homology between the probe and hybridizable sequence, the higher the relative temperature which can be used. As a result, it follows that higher relative temperatures would tend to make the reaction conditions more stringent, while lower temperatures less so. For additional details and explanation of stringency of hybridization reactions, see Ausubel et al., *Current Protocols in Molecular Biology*, Wiley Interscience Publishers, (1995).

[0322] "Stringent conditions" or "high stringency conditions", as defined herein, may be identified by those that: (1) employ low ionic strength and high temperature for washing, for example 0.015 M sodium chloride/0.0015 M sodium citrate/0.1% sodium dodecyl sulfate at 50° C.; (2) employ during hybridization a denaturing agent, such as formamide, for example, 50% (v/v) formamide with 0.1% bovine serum albumin/0.1% Ficoll/0.1% polyvinylpyrrolidone/50 mM sodium phosphate buffer at pH 6.5 with 750 mM sodium chloride, 75 mM sodium citrate at 42° C.; or (3) employ 50% formamide, 5×SSC (0.75 M NaCl, 0.075 M sodium citrate), 50 mM sodium phosphate (pH 6.8), 0.1% sodium pyrophosphate, 5× Denhardt's solution, sonicated salmon sperm DNA (50 µg/ml), 0.1% SDS, and 10% dextran sulfate at 42° C., with washes at 42° C. in 0.2×SSC (sodium chloride/sodium citrate) and 50% formamide at 55° C., followed by a high-stringency wash consisting of 0.1×SSC containing EDTA at 55° C.

[0323] "Moderately stringent conditions" may be identified as described by Sambrook et al., *Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual*, New York: Cold Spring Harbor Press, 1989, and include the use of washing solution and hybridization conditions (e.g., temperature, ionic strength and % SDS) less stringent than those described above. An example of moderately stringent conditions is overnight incubation at 37° C. in a solution comprising: 20% formamide, 5×SSC (150 mM NaCl, 15 mM trisodium citrate), 50 mM sodium phosphate (pH 7.6), 5× Denhardt's solution, 10% dextran sulfate, and 20 mg/ml denatured sheared salmon sperm DNA, followed by washing the filters in 1×SSC at about 37-50° C. The skilled artisan will recognize how to adjust the temperature, ionic strength, etc. as necessary to accommodate factors such as probe length and the like.

[0324] The term "epitope tagged" when used herein refers to a chimeric polypeptide comprising a PRO polypeptide fused to a "tag polypeptide". The tag polypeptide has enough residues to provide an epitope against which an antibody can be made, yet is short enough such that it does

not interfere with activity of the polypeptide to which it is fused. The tag polypeptide preferably also is fairly unique so that the antibody does not substantially cross-react with other epitopes. Suitable tag polypeptides generally have at least six amino acid residues and usually between about 8 and 50 amino acid residues (preferably, between about 10 and 20 amino acid residues).

[0325] As used herein, the term “immunoadhesin” designates antibody-like molecules which combine the binding specificity of a heterologous protein (an “adhesin”) with the effector functions of immunoglobulin constant domains. Structurally, the immunoadhesins comprise a fusion of an amino acid sequence with the desired binding specificity which is other than the antigen recognition and binding site of an antibody (i.e., is “heterologous”), and an immunoglobulin constant domain sequence. The adhesin part of an immunoadhesin molecule typically is a contiguous amino acid sequence comprising at least the binding site of a receptor or a ligand. The immunoglobulin constant domain sequence in the immunoadhesin may be obtained from any immunoglobulin, such as IgG-1, IgG-2, IgG-3, or IgG-4 subtypes, IgA (including IgA-1 and IgA-2), IgE, IgD or IgM.

[0326] “Active” or “activity” for the purposes herein refers to form(s) of a PRO polypeptide which retain a biological and/or an immunological activity of native or naturally-occurring PRO, wherein “biological” activity refers to a biological function (either inhibitory or stimulatory) caused by a native or naturally-occurring PRO other than the ability to induce the production of an antibody against an antigenic epitope possessed by a native or naturally-occurring PRO and an “immunological” activity refers to the ability to induce the production of an antibody against an antigenic epitope possessed by a native or naturally-occurring PRO.

[0327] The term “antagonist” is used in the broadest sense, and includes any molecule that partially or fully blocks, inhibits, or neutralizes a biological activity of a native PRO polypeptide disclosed herein. In a similar manner, the term “agonist” is used in the broadest sense and includes any molecule that mimics a biological activity of a native PRO polypeptide disclosed herein. Suitable agonist or antagonist molecules specifically include agonist or antagonist antibodies or antibody fragments, fragments or amino acid sequence variants of native PRO polypeptides, peptides, antisense oligonucleotides, small organic molecules, etc. Methods for identifying agonists or antagonists of a PRO polypeptide may comprise contacting a PRO polypeptide with a candidate agonist or antagonist molecule and measuring a detectable change in one or more biological activities normally associated with the PRO polypeptide.

[0328] “Treatment” refers to both therapeutic treatment and prophylactic or preventative measures, wherein the object is to prevent or slow down (lessen) the targeted pathologic condition or disorder. Those in need of treatment include those already with the disorder as well as those prone to have the disorder or those in whom the disorder is to be prevented.

[0329] “Chronic” administration refers to administration of the agent(s) in a continuous mode as opposed to an acute mode, so as to maintain the initial therapeutic effect (activity) for an extended period of time. “Intermittent” adminis-

tration is treatment that is not consecutively done without interruption, but rather is cyclic in nature.

[0330] “Mammal” for purposes of treatment refers to any animal classified as a mammal, including humans, domestic and farm animals, and zoo, sports, or pet animals, such as dogs, cats, cattle, horses, sheep, pigs, goats, rabbits, etc. Preferably, the mammal is human.

[0331] Administration “in combination with” one or more further therapeutic agents includes simultaneous (concurrent) and consecutive administration in any order.

[0332] “Carriers” as used herein include pharmaceutically acceptable carriers, excipients, or stabilizers which are non-toxic to the cell or mammal being exposed thereto at the dosages and concentrations employed. Often the physiologically acceptable carrier is an aqueous pH buffered solution. Examples of physiologically acceptable carriers include buffers such as phosphate, citrate, and other organic acids; antioxidants including ascorbic acid; low molecular weight (less than about 10 residues) polypeptide; proteins, such as serum albumin, gelatin, or immunoglobulins; hydrophilic polymers such as polyvinylpyrrolidone; amino acids such as glycine, glutamine, asparagine, arginine or lysine; monosaccharides, disaccharides, and other carbohydrates including glucose, mannose, or dextrins; chelating agents such as EDTA; sugar alcohols such as mannitol or sorbitol; salt-forming counterions such as sodium; and/or nonionic surfactants such as TWEEN™, polyethylene glycol (PEG), and PLURONICS™.

[0333] “Antibody fragments” comprise a portion of an intact antibody, preferably the antigen binding or variable region of the intact antibody. Examples of antibody fragments include Fab, Fab', F(ab')₂, and Fv fragments; diabodies; linear antibodies (Zapata et al., *Protein Eng.* 8(10): 1057-1062 [1995]); single-chain antibody molecules; and multispecific antibodies formed from antibody fragments.

[0334] Papain digestion of antibodies produces two identical antigen-binding fragments, called “Fab” fragments, each with a single antigen-binding site, and a residual “Fc” fragment, a designation reflecting the ability to crystallize readily. Pepsin treatment yields an F(ab')₂ fragment that has two antigen-combining sites and is still capable of cross-linking antigen.

[0335] “Fv” is the minimum antibody fragment which contains a complete antigen-recognition and -binding site. This region consists of a dimer of one heavy- and one light-chain variable domain in tight, non-covalent association. It is in this configuration that the three CDRs of each variable domain interact to define an antigen-binding site on the surface of the V_H-V_L dimer. Collectively, the six CDRs confer antigen-binding specificity to the antibody. However, even a single variable domain (or half of an Fv comprising only three CDRs specific for an antigen) has the ability to recognize and bind antigen, although at a lower affinity than the entire binding site.

[0336] The Fab fragment also contains the constant domain of the light chain and the first constant domain (CH1) of the heavy chain. Fab fragments differ from Fab' fragments by the addition of a few residues at the carboxy terminus of the heavy chain CH1 domain including one or more cysteines from the antibody hinge region. Fab'-SH is the designation herein for Fab' in which the cysteine resi-

due(s) of the constant domains bear a free thiol group. F(ab')₂ antibody fragments originally were produced as pairs of Fab' fragments which have hinge cysteines between them. Other chemical couplings of antibody fragments are also known.

[0337] The "light chains" of antibodies (immunoglobulins) from any vertebrate species can be assigned to one of two clearly distinct types, called kappa and lambda, based on the amino acid sequences of their constant domains.

[0338] Depending on the amino acid sequence of the constant domain of their heavy chains, immunoglobulins can be assigned to different classes. There are five major classes of immunoglobulins: IgA, IgD, IgE, IgG, and IgM, and several of these may be further divided into subclasses (isotypes), e.g., IgG1, IgG2, IgG3, IgG4, IgA, and IgA2.

[0339] "Single-chain Fv" or "sFv" antibody fragments comprise the V_H and V_L domains of antibody, wherein these domains are present in a single polypeptide chain. Preferably, the Fv polypeptide further comprises a polypeptide linker between the V_H and V_L domains which enables the sFv to form the desired structure for antigen binding. For a review of sFv, see Pluckthun in *The Pharmacology of Monoclonal Antibodies*, vol. 113, Rosenberg and Moore eds., Springer-Verlag, New York, pp. 269-315 (1994).

[0340] The term "diabodies" refers to small antibody fragments with two antigen-binding sites, which fragments comprise a heavy-chain variable domain (V_H) connected to a light-chain variable domain (V_L) in the same polypeptide chain (V_H-V_L). By using a linker that is too short to allow pairing between the two domains on the same chain, the domains are forced to pair with the complementary domains of another chain and create two antigen-binding sites. Diabodies are described more fully in, for example, EP 404,097; WO 93/11161; and Hollinger et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*, 90:6444-6448 (1993).

[0341] An "isolated" antibody is one which has been identified and separated and/or recovered from a component of its natural environment. Contaminant components of its natural environment are materials which would interfere with diagnostic or therapeutic uses for the antibody, and may include enzymes, hormones, and other proteinaceous or

nonproteinaceous solutes. In preferred embodiments, the antibody will be purified (1) to greater than 95% by weight of antibody as determined by the Lowry method, and most preferably more than 99% by weight, (2) to a degree sufficient to obtain at least 15 residues of N-terminal or internal amino acid sequence by use of a spinning cup sequenator, or (3) to homogeneity by SDS-PAGE under reducing or nonreducing conditions using Coomassie blue or, preferably, silver stain. Isolated antibody includes the antibody in situ within recombinant cells since at least one component of the antibody's natural environment will not be present. Ordinarily, however, isolated antibody will be prepared by at least one purification step.

[0342] The word "label" when used herein refers to a detectable compound or composition which is conjugated directly or indirectly to the antibody so as to generate a "labeled" antibody. The label may be detectable by itself (e.g. radioisotope labels or fluorescent labels) or, in the case of an enzymatic label, may catalyze chemical alteration of a substrate compound or composition which is detectable.

[0343] By "solid phase" is meant a non-aqueous matrix to which the antibody of the present invention can adhere. Examples of solid phases encompassed herein include those formed partially or entirely of glass (e.g., controlled pore glass), polysaccharides (e.g., agarose), polyacrylamides, polystyrene, polyvinyl alcohol and silicones. In certain embodiments, depending on the context, the solid phase can comprise the well of an assay plate; in others it is a purification column (e.g., an affinity chromatography column). This term also includes a discontinuous solid phase of discrete particles, such as those described in U.S. Pat. No. 4,275,149.

[0344] A "liposome" is a small vesicle composed of various types of lipids, phospholipids and/or surfactant which is useful for delivery of a drug (such as a PRO polypeptide or antibody thereto) to a mammal. The components of the liposome are commonly arranged in a bilayer formation, similar to the lipid arrangement of biological membranes.

[0345] A "small molecule" is defined herein to have a molecular weight below about 500 Daltons.

Table 1

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/*
 *
 * C-C increased from 12 to 15
 * Z is average of EQ
 * B is average of ND
 * match with stop is _M; stop-stop = 0; J (joker) match = 0
 */
#define _M      -8      /* value of a match with a stop */

int      _day[26][26] = {
/*      A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z */
/* A */      { 2, 0, -2, 0, 0, -4, 1, -1, -1, 0, -1, -2, -1, 0, _M, 1, 0, -2, 1, 1, 0, 0, -6, 0, -3, 0},
/* B */      { 0, 3, -4, 3, 2, -5, 0, 1, -2, 0, 0, -3, -2, 2, _M, -1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, -2, -5, 0, -3, 1},
/* C */      { -2, -4, 15, -5, -5, -4, -3, -3, -2, 0, -5, -6, -5, -4, _M, -3, -5, -4, 0, -2, 0, -2, -8, 0, 0, -5},
/* D */      { 0, 3, -5, 4, 3, -6, 1, 1, -2, 0, 0, -4, -3, 2, _M, -1, 2, -1, 0, 0, 0, -2, -7, 0, -4, 2},
/* E */      { 0, 2, -5, 3, 4, -5, 0, 1, -2, 0, 0, -3, -2, 1, _M, -1, 2, -1, 0, 0, 0, -2, -7, 0, -4, 3},
/* F */      { -4, -5, -4, -6, -5, 9, -5, -2, 1, 0, -5, 2, 0, -4, _M, -5, -5, -4, -3, -3, 0, -1, 0, 0, 7, -5},
/* G */      { 1, 0, -3, 1, 0, -5, 5, -2, -3, 0, -2, -4, -3, 0, _M, -1, -1, -3, 1, 0, 0, -1, -7, 0, -5, 0},
/* H */      { -1, 1, -3, 1, 1, -2, -2, 6, -2, 0, 0, -2, -2, 2, _M, 0, 3, 2, -1, -1, 0, -2, -3, 0, 0, 2},
/* I */      { -1, -2, -2, -2, 1, -3, -2, 5, 0, -2, 2, 2, -2, _M, -2, -2, -2, -1, 0, 0, 4, -5, 0, -1, -2},
/* J */      { 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, _M, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0},
/* K */      { -1, 0, -5, 0, 0, -5, -2, 0, -2, 0, 5, -3, 0, 1, _M, -1, 1, 3, 0, 0, 0, -2, -3, 0, -4, 0},
/* L */      { -2, -3, -6, -4, -3, 2, -4, -2, 2, 0, -3, 6, 4, -3, _M, -3, -2, -3, -3, -1, 0, 2, -2, 0, -1, -2},
/* M */      { -1, -2, -5, -3, -2, 0, -3, -2, 2, 0, 0, 4, 6, -2, _M, -2, -1, 0, -2, -1, 0, 2, -4, 0, -2, -1},
/* N */      { 0, 2, -4, 2, 1, -4, 0, 2, -2, 0, 1, -3, -2, 2, _M, -1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, -2, -4, 0, -2, 1},
/* O */      { _M, _M, _M, _M, _M, _M, _M, _M, _M, _M, _M, _M, _M, _M, _M, _M, _M, _M, _M, _M, _M, _M, _M, _M, _M},
/* P */      { 1, -1, -3, -1, -1, -5, -1, 0, -2, 0, -1, -3, -2, -1, _M, 6, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, -1, -6, 0, -5, 0},
/* Q */      { 0, 1, -5, 2, 2, -5, -1, 3, -2, 0, 1, -2, -1, 1, _M, 0, 4, 1, -1, -1, 0, -2, -5, 0, -4, 3},
/* R */      { -2, 0, -4, -1, -1, -4, -3, 2, -2, 0, 3, -3, 0, 0, _M, 0, 1, 6, 0, -1, 0, -2, 2, 0, -4, 0},
/* S */      { 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, -3, 1, -1, -1, 0, 0, -3, -2, 1, _M, 1, -1, 0, 2, 1, 0, -1, -2, 0, -3, 0},
/* T */      { 1, 0, -2, 0, 0, -3, 0, -1, 0, 0, 0, -1, -1, 0, _M, 0, -1, -1, 1, 3, 0, 0, -5, 0, -3, 0},
/* U */      { 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, _M, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0},
/* V */      { 0, -2, -2, -2, -2, -1, -1, -2, 4, 0, -2, 2, 2, -2, _M, -1, -2, -2, -1, 0, 0, 4, -6, 0, -2, -2},
/* W */      { -6, -5, -8, -7, -7, 0, -7, -3, -5, 0, -3, -2, -4, -4, _M, -6, -5, 2, -2, -5, 0, -6, 17, 0, 0, -6},
/* X */      { 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, _M, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0},
/* Y */      { -3, -3, 0, -4, -4, 7, -5, 0, -1, 0, -4, -1, -2, -2, _M, -5, -4, -4, -3, -3, 0, -2, 0, 0, 10, -4},
/* Z */      { 0, 1, -5, 2, 3, -5, 0, 2, -2, 0, 0, -2, -1, 1, _M, 0, 3, 0, 0, 0, 0, -2, -6, 0, -4, 4}
};

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Table 1 (cont')

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/*
*/
#include <stdio.h>
#include <ctype.h>

#define MAXJMP      16      /* max jumps in a diag */
#define MAXGAP      24      /* don't continue to penalize gaps larger than this */
#define JMPS        1024    /* max jmps in an path */
#define MX          4       /* save if there's at least MX-1 bases since last jmp */

#define DMAT         3       /* value of matching bases */
#define DMIS         0       /* penalty for mismatched bases */
#define DINS0        8       /* penalty for a gap */
#define DINS1        1       /* penalty per base */
#define PINS0        8       /* penalty for a gap */
#define PINS1        4       /* penalty per residue */

struct jmp {
    short          n[MAXJMP]; /* size of jmp (neg for dely) */
    unsigned short x[MAXJMP]; /* base no. of jmp in seq x */
}; /* limits seq to 2^16 -1 */

struct diag {
    int            score;      /* score at last jmp */
    long           offset;     /* offset of prev block */
    short          ijmp;       /* current jmp index */
    struct jmp     jp;         /* list of jmps */
};

struct path {
    int            spc;        /* number of leading spaces */
    short          n[JMPS]; /* size of jmp (gap) */
    int            x[JMPS]; /* loc of jmp (last elem before gap) */
};

char              *ofile;      /* output file name */
char              *namex[2];   /* seq names: getseqs() */
char              *prog;       /* prog name for err msgs */
char              *seqx[2];    /* seqs: getseqs() */
int               dmax;        /* best diag: nw() */
int               dmax0;       /* final diag */
int               dna;         /* set if dna: main() */
int               endgaps;     /* set if penalizing end gaps */
int               gapx, gapy;   /* total gaps in seqs */
int               len0, len1;   /* seq lens */
int               ngapx, ngapy; /* total size of gaps */
int               smax;        /* max score: nw() */
int               *xbm;        /* bitmap for matching */
long              offset;      /* current offset in jmp file */
struct            diag         /* holds diagonals */
struct            path         /* holds path for seqs */
pp[2];

char              *calloc(), *malloc(), *index(), *strcpy();
char              *getseq(), *g_calloc();

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Table 1 (cont')

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/* Needleman-Wunsch alignment program
*
* usage: progs file1 file2
* where file1 and file2 are two dna or two protein sequences.
* The sequences can be in upper- or lower-case and may contain ambiguity
* Any lines beginning with ';', '>' or '<' are ignored
* Max file length is 65535 (limited by unsigned short x in the jmp struct)
* A sequence with 1/3 or more of its elements ACGTU is assumed to be DNA
* Output is in the file "align.out"
*
* The program may create a tmp file in /tmp to hold info about traceback.
* Original version developed under BSD 4.3 on a vax 8650
*/
#include "nw.h"
#include "day.h"

static _dbval[26] = {
    1,14,2,13,0,0,4,11,0,0,12,0,3,15,0,0,0,5,6,8,8,7,9,0,10,0
};

static _pbval[26] = {
    1, 2|(1<<('D'-'A'))|(1<<('N'-'A')), 4, 8, 16, 32, 64,
    128, 256, 0xFFFFFFFF, 1<<10, 1<<11, 1<<12, 1<<13, 1<<14,
    1<<15, 1<<16, 1<<17, 1<<18, 1<<19, 1<<20, 1<<21, 1<<22,
    1<<23, 1<<24, 1<<25|(1<<('E'-'A'))|(1<<('Q'-'A'))
};

main(ac, av)
int ac;
char *av[];
{
    prog = av[0];
    if (ac != 3) {
        fprintf(stderr, "usage: %s file1 file2\n", prog);
        fprintf(stderr, "where file1 and file2 are two dna or two protein sequences.\n");
        fprintf(stderr, "The sequences can be in upper- or lower-case\n");
        fprintf(stderr, "Any lines beginning with ';' or '<' are ignored\n");
        fprintf(stderr, "Output is in the file \"align.out\"\n");
        exit(1);
    }
    namex[0] = av[1];
    namex[1] = av[2];
    seqx[0] = getseq(namex[0], &len0);
    seqx[1] = getseq(namex[1], &len1);
    xbm = (dna)? _dbval : _pbval;

    endgaps = 0; /* 1 to penalize endgaps */
    ofile = "align.out"; /* output file */

    nw(); /* fill in the matrix, get the possible jmps */
    readjmps(); /* get the actual jmps */
    print(); /* print stats, alignment */

    cleanup(0); /* unlink any tmp files */
}

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main

Table 1 (cont')

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/* do the alignment, return best score: main()
 * dna: values in Fitch and Smith, PNAS, 80, 1382-1386, 1983
 * pro: PAM 250 values
 * When scores are equal, we prefer mismatches to any gap, prefer
 * a new gap to extending an ongoing gap, and prefer a gap in seqx
 * to a gap in seq y.
 */
nw()
{
    char      *px, *py;      /* seqs and ptrs */
    int        *ndely, *dely; /* keep track of dely */
    int        ndelx, delx;   /* keep track of delx */
    int        *tmp;         /* for swapping row0, row1 */
    int        mis;          /* score for each type */
    int        ins0, ins1;    /* insertion penalties */
    register   id;           /* diagonal index */
    register   ij;           /* jmp index */
    register   *col0, *col1;  /* score for curr, last row */
    register   xx, yy;       /* index into seqs */

    dx = (struct diag *)g_calloc("to get diags", len0+len1+1, sizeof(struct diag));

    ndely = (int *)g_calloc("to get ndely", len1+1, sizeof(int));
    dely = (int *)g_calloc("to get dely", len1+1, sizeof(int));
    col0 = (int *)g_calloc("to get col0", len1+1, sizeof(int));
    col1 = (int *)g_calloc("to get col1", len1+1, sizeof(int));
    ins0 = (dna)? DINS0 : PINS0;
    ins1 = (dna)? DINS1 : PINS1;

    smax = -10000;
    if (endgaps) {
        for (col0[0] = dely[0] = -ins0, yy = 1; yy <= len1; yy++) {
            col0[yy] = dely[yy] = col0[yy-1] - ins1;
            ndely[yy] = yy;
        }
        col0[0] = 0;      /* Waterman Bull Math Biol 84 */
    }
    else
        for (yy = 1; yy <= len1; yy++)
            dely[yy] = -ins0;

    /* fill in match matrix
     */
    for (px = seqx[0], xx = 1; xx <= len0; px++, xx++) {
        /* initialize first entry in col
         */
        if (endgaps) {
            if (xx == 1)
                col1[0] = delx = -(ins0+ins1);
            else
                col1[0] = delx = col0[0] - ins1;
            ndelx = xx;
        }
        else {
            col1[0] = 0;
            delx = -ins0;
            ndelx = 0;
        }
    }
}

```

nw

Table 1 (cont')

...nw

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for (py = seqx[1], yy = 1; yy <= len1; py++, yy++) {
    mis = col0[yy-1];
    if (dna)
        mis += (xbm[*px-'A']&xbm[*py-'A'])? DMAT : DMIS;
    else
        mis += _day[*px-'A'][*py-'A'];

    /* update penalty for del in x seq;
     * favor new del over ongoing del
     * ignore MAXGAP if weighting endgaps
     */
    if (endgaps || ndely[yy] < MAXGAP) {
        if (col0[yy] - ins0 >= dely[yy]) {
            dely[yy] = col0[yy] - (ins0+ins1);
            ndely[yy] = 1;
        } else {
            dely[yy] -= ins1;
            ndely[yy]++;
        }
    } else {
        if (col0[yy] - (ins0+ins1) >= dely[yy]) {
            dely[yy] = col0[yy] - (ins0+ins1);
            ndely[yy] = 1;
        } else
            ndely[yy]++;
    }

    /* update penalty for del in y seq;
     * favor new del over ongoing del
     */
    if (endgaps || ndelx < MAXGAP) {
        if (col1[yy-1] - ins0 >= delx) {
            delx = col1[yy-1] - (ins0+ins1);
            ndelx = 1;
        } else {
            delx -= ins1;
            ndelx++;
        }
    } else {
        if (col1[yy-1] - (ins0+ins1) >= delx) {
            delx = col1[yy-1] - (ins0+ins1);
            ndelx = 1;
        } else
            ndelx++;
    }

    /* pick the maximum score; we're favoring
     * mis over any del and delx over dely
     */

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Table 1 (cont')

...nw

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id = xx - yy + len1 - 1;
if (mis >= delx && mis >= dely[yy])
    col1[yy] = mis;
else if (delx >= dely[yy]) {
    col1[yy] = delx;
    ij = dx[id].ijmp;
    if (dx[id].jp.n[0] && (!dna || (ndelx >= MAXJMP
    && xx > dx[id].jp.x[ij]+MX) || mis > dx[id].score+DINS0)) {
        dx[id].ijmp++;
        if (++ij >= MAXJMP) {
            writejumps(id);
            ij = dx[id].ijmp = 0;
            dx[id].offset = offset;
            offset += sizeof(struct jmp) + sizeof(offset);
        }
    }
    dx[id].jp.n[ij] = ndelx;
    dx[id].jp.x[ij] = xx;
    dx[id].score = delx;
}
else {
    col1[yy] = dely[yy];
    ij = dx[id].ijmp;
    if (dx[id].jp.n[0] && (!dna || (ndely[yy] >= MAXJMP
    && xx > dx[id].jp.x[ij]+MX) || mis > dx[id].score+DINS0)) {
        dx[id].ijmp++;
        if (++ij >= MAXJMP) {
            writejumps(id);
            ij = dx[id].ijmp = 0;
            dx[id].offset = offset;
            offset += sizeof(struct jmp) + sizeof(offset);
        }
    }
    dx[id].jp.n[ij] = -ndely[yy];
    dx[id].jp.x[ij] = xx;
    dx[id].score = dely[yy];
}
if (xx == len0 && yy < len1) {
    /* last col
    */
    if (endgaps)
        col1[yy] -= ins0+ins1*(len1-yy);
    if (col1[yy] > smax) {
        smax = col1[yy];
        dmax = id;
    }
}
}
if (endgaps && xx < len0)
    col1[yy-1] -= ins0+ins1*(len0-xx);
if (col1[yy-1] > smax) {
    smax = col1[yy-1];
    dmax = id;
}
tmp = col0; col0 = col1; col1 = tmp;
}
(void) free((char *)ndely);
(void) free((char *)dely);
(void) free((char *)col0);
(void) free((char *)col1);
}

```

Table 1 (cont')

```

/*
 *
 * print() -- only routine visible outside this module
 *
 * static:
 * getmat() -- trace back best path, count matches: print()
 * pr_align() -- print alignment of described in array p[]: print()
 * dumpblock() -- dump a block of lines with numbers, stars: pr_align()
 * nums() -- put out a number line: dumpblock()
 * putline() -- put out a line (name, [num], seq, [num]): dumpblock()
 * stars() -- put a line of stars: dumpblock()
 * stripname() -- strip any path and prefix from a seqname
 */

#include "nw.h"

#define SPC      3
#define P_LINE  256    /* maximum output line */
#define P_SPCL  3      /* space between name or num and seq */

extern _day[26][26];
int olen;             /* set output line length */
FILE *fx;             /* output file */

print()
{
    int lx, ly, firstgap, lastgap;    /* overlap */

    if ((fx = fopen(ofile, "w")) == 0) {
        fprintf(stderr, "%s: can't write %s\n", prog, ofile);
        cleanup(1);
    }
    fprintf(fx, "< first sequence: %s (length = %d)\n", namex[0], len0);
    fprintf(fx, "< second sequence: %s (length = %d)\n", namex[1], len1);
    olen = 60;
    lx = len0;
    ly = len1;
    firstgap = lastgap = 0;
    if (dmax < len1 - 1) { /* leading gap in x */
        pp[0].spc = firstgap = len1 - dmax - 1;
        ly -= pp[0].spc;
    }
    else if (dmax > len1 - 1) { /* leading gap in y */
        pp[1].spc = firstgap = dmax - (len1 - 1);
        lx -= pp[1].spc;
    }
    if (dmax0 < len0 - 1) { /* trailing gap in x */
        lastgap = len0 - dmax0 - 1;
        lx -= lastgap;
    }
    else if (dmax0 > len0 - 1) { /* trailing gap in y */
        lastgap = dmax0 - (len0 - 1);
        ly -= lastgap;
    }
    getmat(lx, ly, firstgap, lastgap);
    pr_align();
}

```

print

Table 1 (cont')

```

/*
 * trace back the best path, count matches
 */
static
getmat(lx, ly, firstgap, lastgap)
    int      lx, ly;          /* "core" (minus endgaps) */
    int      firstgap, lastgap; /* leading trailing overlap */
{
    int      nm, i0, i1, siz0, siz1;
    char     outx[32];
    double   pct;
    register n0, n1;
    register char *p0, *p1;

    /* get total matches, score
     */
    i0 = i1 = siz0 = siz1 = 0;
    p0 = seqx[0] + pp[1].spc;
    p1 = seqx[1] + pp[0].spc;
    n0 = pp[1].spc + 1;
    n1 = pp[0].spc + 1;

    nm = 0;
    while ( *p0 && *p1 ) {
        if (siz0) {
            p1++;
            n1++;
            siz0--;
        }
        else if (siz1) {
            p0++;
            n0++;
            siz1--;
        }
        else {
            if (xbm[*p0-'A']&xbm[*p1-'A'])
                nm++;
            if (n0++ == pp[0].x[i0])
                siz0 = pp[0].n[i0++];
            if (n1++ == pp[1].x[i1])
                siz1 = pp[1].n[i1++];
            p0++;
            p1++;
        }
    }

    /* pct homology:
     * if penalizing endgaps, base is the shorter seq
     * else, knock off overhangs and take shorter core
     */
    if (endgaps)
        lx = (len0 < len1)? len0 : len1;
    else
        lx = (lx < ly)? lx : ly;
    pct = 100.*(double)nm/(double)lx;
    fprintf(fx, "\n");
    fprintf(fx, "< %d match%s in an overlap of %d: %.2f percent similarity\n",
        nm, (nm == 1)? "" : "es", lx, pct);

```

getmat

Table 1 (cont')

```

    fprintf(fx, "< gaps in first sequence: %d", gapx);
    if (gapx) {
        (void) sprintf(outx, " (%d %s%s)",
            ngapx, (dna)? "base": "residue", (ngapx == 1)? "" : "s");
        fprintf(fx, "%s", outx);

        fprintf(fx, ", gaps in second sequence: %d", gapy);
        if (gapy) {
            (void) sprintf(outx, " (%d %s%s)",
                ngapy, (dna)? "base": "residue", (ngapy == 1)? "" : "s");
            fprintf(fx, "%s", outx);
        }
        if (dna)
            fprintf(fx,
                "\n< score: %d (match = %d, mismatch = %d, gap penalty = %d + %d per base)\n",
                smax, DMAT, DMIS, DINS0, DINS1);
        else
            fprintf(fx,
                "\n< score: %d (Dayhoff PAM 250 matrix, gap penalty = %d + %d per residue)\n",
                smax, PINS0, PINS1);
        if (endgaps)
            fprintf(fx,
                "< endgaps penalized. left endgap: %d %s%s, right endgap: %d %s%s\n",
                firstgap, (dna)? "base" : "residue", (firstgap == 1)? "" : "s",
                lastgap, (dna)? "base" : "residue", (lastgap == 1)? "" : "s");
        else
            fprintf(fx, "< endgaps not penalized\n");
    }

static      nm;          /* matches in core -- for checking */
static      lmax;        /* lengths of stripped file names */
static      ij[2];       /* jmp index for a path */
static      nc[2];       /* number at start of current line */
static      ni[2];       /* current elem number -- for gapping */
static      siz[2];
static char *ps[2];      /* ptr to current element */
static char *po[2];      /* ptr to next output char slot */
static char out[2][P_LINE]; /* output line */
static char star[P_LINE]; /* set by stars() */

/*
 * print alignment of described in struct path pp[]
 */
static
pr_align()
{
    int      nn;          /* char count */
    int      more;
    register i;

    for (i = 0, lmax = 0; i < 2; i++) {
        nn = stripname(namex[i]);
        if (nn > lmax)
            lmax = nn;

        nc[i] = 1;
        ni[i] = 1;
        siz[i] = ij[i] = 0;
        ps[i] = seqx[i];
        po[i] = out[i];
    }
}

```

...getmat

pr_align

Table 1 (cont')

```

for (nn = nm = 0, more = 1; more;) {
    for (i = more = 0; i < 2; i++) {
        /*
         * do we have more of this sequence?
         */
        if (!*ps[i])
            continue;

        more++;

        if (pp[i].spc) { /* leading space */
            *po[i]++ = ' ';
            pp[i].spc--;
        }
        else if (siz[i]) { /* in a gap */
            *po[i]++ = '-';
            siz[i]--;
        }
        else { /* we're putting a seq element
            */
            *po[i] = *ps[i];
            if (islower(*ps[i]))
                *ps[i] = toupper(*ps[i]);
            po[i]++;
            ps[i]++;

            /*
             * are we at next gap for this seq?
             */
            if (ni[i] == pp[i].x[ij[i]]) {
                /*
                 * we need to merge all gaps
                 * at this location
                 */
                siz[i] = pp[i].n[ij[i] + +];
                while (ni[i] == pp[i].x[ij[i]])
                    siz[i] += pp[i].n[ij[i] + +];
            }
            ni[i]++;
        }
    }
    if (++nn == olen || !more && nn) {
        dumpblock();
        for (i = 0; i < 2; i++)
            po[i] = out[i];
        nn = 0;
    }
}

/*
 * dump a block of lines, including numbers, stars: pr_align()
 */
static
dumpblock()
{
    register i;

    for (i = 0; i < 2; i++)
        *po[i]-- = '\0';
}

```

...pr_align

dumpblock

Table 1 (cont')

```

(void) putc('\n', fx);
for (i = 0; i < 2; i++) {
    if (*out[i] && (*out[i] != ' ' || *(po[i]) != ' ')) {
        if (i == 0)
            nums(i);
        if (i == 0 && *out[1])
            stars();
        putline(i);
        if (i == 0 && *out[1])
            fprintf(fx, star);
        if (i == 1)
            nums(i);
    }
}

/*
 * put out a number line: dumpblock()
 */
static
nums(ix)
    int    ix;        /* index in out[] holding seq line */
{
    char    nline[P_LINE];
    register i, j;
    register char *pn, *px, *py;

    for (pn = nline, i = 0; i < lmax + P_SPC; i++, pn++)
        *pn = ' ';
    for (i = nc[ix], py = out[ix]; *py; py++, pn++) {
        if (*py == ' ' || *py == '-')
            *pn = ' ';
        else {
            if (i%10 == 0 || (i == 1 && nc[ix] != 1)) {
                j = (i < 0)? -i : i;
                for (px = pn; j /= 10, px--)
                    *px = j%10 + '0';
                if (i < 0)
                    *px = '-';
            }
            else
                *pn = ' ';
            i++;
        }
    }
    *pn = '\0';
    nc[ix] = i;
    for (pn = nline; *pn; pn++)
        (void) putc(*pn, fx);
    (void) putc('\n', fx);
}

/*
 * put out a line (name, [num], seq, [num]): dumpblock()
 */
static
putline(ix)
    int    ix;
{

```

...dumpblock

nums

putline

Table 1 (cont')

```

int          i;
register char *px;

for (px = namex[ix], i = 0; *px && *px != ':'; px++, i++)
    (void) putc(*px, fx);
for (; i < lmax+P_SPC; i++)
    (void) putc(' ', fx);

/* these count from 1:
 * ni[] is current element (from 1)
 * nc[] is number at start of current line
 */
for (px = out[ix]; *px; px++)
    (void) putc(*px&0x7F, fx);
(void) putc('\n', fx);
}

/*
 * put a line of stars (seqs always in out[0], out[1]): dumpblock()
 */
static
stars()
{
    int          i;
    register char *p0, *p1, cx, *px;

    if (!*out[0] || (*out[0] == ' ' && *(po[0]) == ' ') ||
        !*out[1] || (*out[1] == ' ' && *(po[1]) == ' '))
        return;
    px = star;
    for (i = lmax+P_SPC; i; i--)
        *px++ = ' ';

    for (p0 = out[0], p1 = out[1]; *p0 && *p1; p0++, p1++) {
        if (isalpha(*p0) && isalpha(*p1)) {
            if (xbm[*p0-'A']&xbm[*p1-'A']) {
                cx = '*';
                nm++;
            }
            else if (!dna && _day[*p0-'A'][*p1-'A'] > 0)
                cx = ',';
            else
                cx = ' ';
        }
        else
            cx = ' ';
        *px++ = cx;
    }
    *px++ = '\n';
    *px = '\0';
}

```

...putline

stars

Table 1 (cont')

```
/*
 * strip path or prefix from pn, return len: pr_align()
 */
static
stripname(pn)
    char    *pn;    /* file name (may be path) */
{
    register char    *px, *py;

    py = 0;
    for (px = pn; *px; px++)
        if (*px == '/')
            py = px + 1;
    if (py)
        (void) strcpy(pn, py);
    return(strlen(pn));
}
```

stripname

Table 1 (cont')

```

/*
 * cleanup() -- cleanup any tmp file
 * getseq() -- read in seq, set dna, len, maxlen
 * g_alloc() -- calloc() with error checkin
 * readjumps() -- get the good jumps, from tmp file if necessary
 * writejumps() -- write a filled array of jumps to a tmp file: nw()
 */
#include "nw.h"
#include <sys/file.h>

char    *jname = "/tmp/homgXXXXXX";          /* tmp file for jumps */
FILE    *fj;

int      cleanup();                          /* cleanup tmp file */
long     lseek();

/*
 * remove any tmp file if we blow
 */
cleanup(i)
{
    int    i;
    if (fj)
        (void) unlink(jname);
    exit(i);
}

/*
 * read, return ptr to seq, set dna, len, maxlen
 * skip lines starting with ';', '<', or '>'
 * seq in upper or lower case
 */
char    *
getseq(file, len)
{
    char    *file;      /* file name */
    int     *len;       /* seq len */

    char     line[1024], *pseq;
    register char *px, *py;
    int      natgc, tlen;
    FILE     *fp;

    if ((fp = fopen(file, "r")) == 0) {
        fprintf(stderr, "%s: can't read %s\n", prog, file);
        exit(1);
    }
    tlen = natgc = 0;
    while (fgets(line, 1024, fp)) {
        if (*line == ';' || *line == '<' || *line == '>')
            continue;
        for (px = line; *px != '\n'; px++)
            if (isupper(*px) || islower(*px))
                tlen++;
    }
    if ((pseq = malloc((unsigned)(tlen+6))) == 0) {
        fprintf(stderr, "%s: malloc() failed to get %d bytes for %s\n", prog, tlen+6, file);
        exit(1);
    }
    pseq[0] = pseq[1] = pseq[2] = pseq[3] = '\0';

```

cleanup

getseq

Table 1 (cont')

...getseq

```

py = pseq + 4;
*len = tlen;
rewind(fp);

while (fgets(line, 1024, fp)) {
    if (*line == ';' || *line == '<' || *line == '>')
        continue;
    for (px = line; *px != '\n'; px++) {
        if (isupper(*px))
            *py++ = *px;
        else if (islower(*px))
            *py++ = toupper(*px);
        if (index("ATGCU", *(py-1)))
            natgc++;
    }
}
*py++ = '\0';
*py = '\0';
(void) fclose(fp);
dna = natgc > (tlen/3);
return(pseq+4);
}

```

```

char *
g_calloc(msg, nx, sz)
char *msg;          /* program, calling routine */
int nx, sz;         /* number and size of elements */
{
    char *px, *calloc();

    if ((px = calloc((unsigned)nx, (unsigned)sz)) == 0) {
        if (*msg) {
            fprintf(stderr, "%s: g_calloc() failed %s (n=%d, sz=%d)\n", prog, msg, nx, sz);
            exit(1);
        }
    }
    return(px);
}

/*
 * gct final jmps from dx[] or tmp file, set pp[], reset dmax: main()
 */

```

g_calloc

```

readjmps()
{
    int fd = -1;
    int siz, i0, i1;
    register i, j, xx;

    if (fj) {
        (void) fclose(fj);
        if ((fd = open(jname, O_RDONLY, 0)) < 0) {
            fprintf(stderr, "%s: can't open() %s\n", prog, jname);
            cleanup(1);
        }
    }
    for (i = i0 = i1 = 0, dmax0 = dmax, xx = len0; i++) {
        while (1) {
            for (j = dx[dmax].ijmp; j >= 0 && dx[dmax].jp.x[j] >= xx; j--)

```

readjmps

Table 1 (cont')**...readjumps**

```

        if (j < 0 && dx[dmax].offset && fj) {
            (void) lseek(fd, dx[dmax].offset, 0);
            (void) read(fd, (char *)&dx[dmax].jp, sizeof(struct jmp));
            (void) read(fd, (char *)&dx[dmax].offset, sizeof(dx[dmax].offset));
            dx[dmax].ijmp = MAXJMP-1;
        }
        else
            break;
    }
    if (i >= JMPS) {
        fprintf(stderr, "%s: too many gaps in alignment\n", prog);
        cleanup(1);
    }
    if (j >= 0) {
        siz = dx[dmax].jp.n[j];
        xx = dx[dmax].jp.x[j];
        dmax += siz;
        if (siz < 0) { /* gap in second seq */
            pp[1].n[i1] = -siz;
            xx += siz;
            /* id = xx - yy + len1 - 1
             */
            pp[1].x[i1] = xx - dmax + len1 - 1;
            gapy++;
            ngapy -= siz;
        }
        /* ignore MAXGAP when doing endgaps */
        siz = (siz < MAXGAP || endgaps)? -siz : MAXGAP;
        i1++;
    }
    else if (siz > 0) { /* gap in first seq */
        pp[0].n[i0] = siz;
        pp[0].x[i0] = xx;
        gapx++;
        ngapx += siz;
        /* ignore MAXGAP when doing endgaps */
        siz = (siz < MAXGAP || endgaps)? siz : MAXGAP;
        i0++;
    }
    }
    else
        break;
}

/* reverse the order of jumps
 */
for (j = 0, i0--; j < i0; j++, i0--) {
    i = pp[0].n[j]; pp[0].n[j] = pp[0].n[i0]; pp[0].n[i0] = i;
    i = pp[0].x[j]; pp[0].x[j] = pp[0].x[i0]; pp[0].x[i0] = i;
}
for (j = 0, i1--; j < i1; j++, i1--) {
    i = pp[1].n[j]; pp[1].n[j] = pp[1].n[i1]; pp[1].n[i1] = i;
    i = pp[1].x[j]; pp[1].x[j] = pp[1].x[i1]; pp[1].x[i1] = i;
}
if (fd >= 0)
    (void) close(fd);
if (fj) {
    (void) unlink(jname);
    fj = 0;
    offset = 0;
}
}

```

Table 1 (cont')

```
/*  
 * write a filled jmp struct offset of the prev one (if any): nw()  
 */  
writejmps(ix)  
{  
    int    ix;  
    char    *mktemp();  
  
    if (!fj) {  
        if (mktemp(jname) < 0) {  
            fprintf(stderr, "%s: can't mktemp() %s\n", prog, jname);  
            cleanup(1);  
        }  
        if ((fj = fopen(jname, "w")) == 0) {  
            fprintf(stderr, "%s: can't write %s\n", prog, jname);  
            exit(1);  
        }  
    }  
    (void) fwrite((char *)&dx[ix].jp, sizeof(struct jmp), 1, fj);  
    (void) fwrite((char *)&dx[ix].offset, sizeof(dx[ix].offset), 1, fj);  
}
```

writejmps

TABLE 2

PRO	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	(Length = 15 amino acids)
Comparison Protein	XXXXXXXXYYYYYYY	(Length = 12 amino acids)

% amino acid sequence identity = (the number of identically matching amino acid residues between the two polypeptide sequences as determined by ALIGN-2) divided by (the total number of amino acid residues of the PRO polypeptide) = 5 divided by 15 = 33.3%

[0346]

TABLE 3

PRO	XXXXXXXXXX	(Length = 10 amino acids)
Comparison Protein	XXXXXXXXYYYZZYZ	(Length = 15 amino acids)

% amino acid sequence identity = (the number of identically matching amino acid residues between the two polypeptide sequences as determined by ALIGN-2) divided by (the total number of amino acid residues of the PRO polypeptide) = 5 divided by 10 = 50%

[0347]

TABLE 4

PRO-DNA	NNNNNNNNNNNN	(Length = 14 nucleotides)
Comparison DNA	NNNNNNLLLLLLLL	(Length = 16 nucleotides)

% nucleic acid sequence identity = (the number of identically matching nucleotides between the two nucleic acid sequences as determined by ALIGN-2) divided by (the total number of nucleotides of the PRO-DNA nucleic acid sequence) = 6 divided by 14 = 42.9%

[0348]

TABLE 5

PRO-DNA	NNNNNNNNNNNN	(Length = 12 nucleotides)
Comparison DNA	NNNNLLLVV	(Length = 9 nucleotides)

% nucleic acid sequence identity = (the number of identically matching nucleotides between the two nucleic acid sequences as determined by ALIGN-2) divided by (the total number of nucleotides of the PRO-DNA nucleic acid sequence) = 4 divided by 12 = 33.3%

[0349] II. Compositions and Methods of the Invention

[0350] A. Full-Length PRO Polypeptides

[0351] The present invention provides newly identified and isolated nucleotide sequences encoding polypeptides referred to in the present application as PRO polypeptides. In particular, cDNAs encoding various PRO polypeptides have been identified and isolated, as disclosed in further detail in the Examples below. It is noted that proteins produced in separate expression rounds may be given different PRO numbers but the UNQ number is unique for any given DNA and the encoded protein, and will not be changed. However, for sake of simplicity, in the present specification the protein encoded by the full length native nucleic acid molecules disclosed herein as well as all further native homologues and variants included in the foregoing definition of PRO, will be referred to as "PRO/number", regardless of their origin or mode of preparation.

[0352] As disclosed in the Examples below, various cDNA clones have been deposited with the ATCC. The actual

nucleotide sequences of those clones can readily be determined by the skilled artisan by sequencing of the deposited clone using routine methods in the art. The predicted amino acid sequence can be determined from the nucleotide sequence using routine skill. For the PRO polypeptides and encoding nucleic acids described herein, Applicants have identified what is believed to be the reading frame best identifiable with the sequence information available at the time.

[0353] 1. Full-Length PRO1800 Polypeptides

[0354] Using the WU-BLAST2 sequence alignment computer program, it has been found that a portion of the full-length native sequence PRO1800 (shown in FIG. 2 and SEQ ID NO:2) has certain amino acid sequence identity with the human Hep27 protein (HE27_HUMAN). Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO1800 disclosed in the present application is a newly identified Hep27 homolog and possesses activity typical of that protein.

[0355] 2. Full-Length PRO539 Polypeptides

[0356] Using the WU-BLAST2 sequence alignment computer program, it has been found that a portion of the full-length native sequence PRO539 (shown in FIG. 4 and SEQ ID NO:7) has certain amino acid sequence identity with a portion of a kinesin-related protein from Drosophila melanogaster (AF019250_1). Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO539 disclosed in the present application is a newly identified member of the Hedgehog signaling pathway protein family and possesses activity typical of the Drosophila Costal-2 protein.

[0357] 3. Full-Length PRO982 Polypeptides

[0358] As far as is known, the DNA57700-1408 sequence encodes a novel secreted factor designated herein as PRO982. Although, using WU-BLAST2 sequence alignment computer programs, some sequence identities with known proteins were revealed.

[0359] 4. Full-Length PRO1434 Polypeptides

[0360] Using the WU-BLAST2 sequence alignment computer program, it has been found that a portion of the full-length native sequence PRO1434 (shown in FIG. 10 and SEQ ID NO:13) has certain amino acid sequence identity with the mouse nel protein precursor (NEL_MOUSE). Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO1434 disclosed in the present application is a newly identified nel homolog and may possess activity typical of the nel protein family.

[0361] 5. Full-Length PRO1863 Polypeptides

[0362] The DNA59847-2510 clone was isolated from a human prostate tissue library. As far as is known, the DNA59847-2510 sequence encodes a novel factor designated herein as PRO1863; using the WU-BLAST2 sequence alignment computer program, no significant sequence identities to any known proteins were revealed.

[0363] 6. Full-Length PRO1917 Polypeptides

[0364] Using WU-BLAST2 sequence alignment computer programs, it has been found that amino acids 41 to 487 of PRO1917 (shown in FIG. 14 and SEQ ID NO:20) has certain amino acid sequence identity with an inositol phosphatase designated in the Dayhoff database as "AF012714_

1". Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO1917 disclosed in the present application is a newly identified member of inositol phosphatase family and may possess enzymatic activity typical of inositol phosphatases.

[0365] 7. Full-Length PRO1868 Polypeptides

[0366] Using the WU-BLAST2 sequence alignment computer program, it has been found that a portion of the full-length native sequence PRO1868 (shown in FIG. 16 and SEQ ID NO:28) has certain amino acid sequence identity with the human A33 antigen protein (P_W14146). Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO1868 disclosed in the present application is a newly identified A33 antigen homolog which may possess activity and/or expression patterns typical of the A33 antigen protein. The PRO1868 polypeptide may find use in the therapeutic treatment of inflammatory diseases as described above and colorectal cancer.

[0367] 8. Full-Length PRO3434 Polypeptides

[0368] The DNA77631-2537 clone was isolated from a human aortic tissue library using a trapping technique that selects for nucleotide sequences encoding secreted proteins. As far as is known, the DNA77631-2537 sequence encodes a novel factor designated herein as PRO3434; using the WU-BLAST2 sequence alignment computer program, no significant sequence identities to any known proteins were revealed.

[0369] 9. Full-Length PRO1927 Polypeptides

[0370] Using WU-BLAST2 sequence alignment computer programs, it has been found that a full-length native sequence PRO1927 (FIG. 20; SEQ ID NO:26) has certain amino acid sequence identity with the amino acid sequence of the protein designated "AB000628_1" in the Dayhoff database. Accordingly, it is presently believed that PRO1927 disclosed in the present application is a newly identified member of the glycosyltransferase family of proteins and may possess glycosylation activity.

[0371] B. PRO Polypeptide Variants

[0372] In addition to the full-length native sequence PRO polypeptides described herein, it is contemplated that PRO variants can be prepared. PRO variants can be prepared by introducing appropriate nucleotide changes into the PRO DNA, and/or by synthesis of the desired PRO polypeptide. Those skilled in the art will appreciate that amino acid changes may alter post-translational processes of the PRO, such as changing the number or position of glycosylation sites or altering the membrane anchoring characteristics.

[0373] Variations in the native full-length sequence PRO or in various domains of the PRO described herein, can be made, for example, using any of the techniques and guidelines for conservative and non-conservative mutations set forth, for instance, in U.S. Pat. No. 5,364,934. Variations may be a substitution, deletion or insertion of one or more codons encoding the PRO that results in a change in the amino acid sequence of the PRO as compared with the native sequence PRO. Optionally the variation is by substitution of at least one amino acid with any other amino acid in one or more of the domains of the PRO. Guidance in determining which amino acid residue may be inserted, substituted or deleted without adversely affecting the desired activity may be found by comparing the sequence of the

PRO with that of homologous known protein molecules and minimizing the number of amino acid sequence changes made in regions of high homology. Amino acid substitutions can be the result of replacing one amino acid with another amino acid having similar structural and/or chemical properties, such as the replacement of a leucine with a serine, i.e., conservative amino acid replacements. Insertions or deletions may optionally be in the range of about 1 to 5 amino acids. The variation allowed may be determined by systematically making insertions, deletions or substitutions of amino acids in the sequence and testing the resulting variants for activity exhibited by the full-length or mature native sequence.

[0374] PRO polypeptide fragments are provided herein. Such fragments may be truncated at the N-terminus or C-terminus, or may lack internal residues, for example, when compared with a full length native protein. Certain fragments lack amino acid residues that are not essential for a desired biological activity of the PRO polypeptide.

[0375] PRO fragments may be prepared by any of a number of conventional techniques. Desired peptide fragments may be chemically synthesized. An alternative approach involves generating PRO fragments by enzymatic digestion, e.g., by treating the protein with an enzyme known to cleave proteins at sites defined by particular amino acid residues, or by digesting the DNA with suitable restriction enzymes and isolating the desired fragment. Yet another suitable technique involves isolating and amplifying a DNA fragment encoding a desired polypeptide fragment, by polymerase chain reaction (PCR). Oligonucleotides that define the desired termini of the DNA fragment are employed at the 5' and 3' primers in the PCR. Preferably, PRO polypeptide fragments share at least one biological and/or immunological activity with the native PRO polypeptide disclosed herein.

[0376] In particular embodiments, conservative substitutions of interest are shown in Table 1 under the heading of preferred substitutions. If such substitutions result in a change in biological activity, then more substantial changes, denominated exemplary substitutions in Table 6, or as further described below in reference to amino acid classes, are introduced and the products screened.

TABLE 6

Original Residue	Exemplary Substitutions	Preferred Substitutions
Ala (A)	val; leu; ile	val
Arg (R)	lys; gln; asn	lys
Asn (N)	gln; his; lys; arg	gln
Asp (D)	glu	glu
Cys (C)	ser	ser
Gln (Q)	asn	asn
Glu (E)	asp	asp
Gly (G)	pro; ala	ala
His (H)	asn; gln; lys; arg	arg
Ile (I)	leu; val; met; ala; phe; norleucine	leu
Leu (L)	norleucine; ile; val; met; ala; phe	ile
Lys (K)	arg; gln; asn	arg
Met (M)	leu; phe; ile	leu
Phe (F)	leu; val; ile; ala; tyr	leu
Pro (P)	ala	ala
Ser (S)	thr	thr

TABLE 6-continued

Original Residue	Exemplary Substitutions	Preferred Substitutions
Thr (T)	ser	ser
Trp (W)	tyr; phe	tyr
Tyr (Y)	trp; phe; thr; ser	phe
Val (V)	ile; leu; met; phe; ala; norleucine	leu

[0377] Substantial modifications in function or immunological identity of the PRO polypeptide are accomplished by selecting substitutions that differ significantly in their effect on maintaining (a) the structure of the polypeptide backbone in the area of the substitution, for example, as a sheet or helical conformation, (b) the charge or hydrophobicity of the molecule at the target site, or (c) the bulk of the side chain. Naturally occurring residues are divided into groups based on common side-chain properties:

- [0378] (1) hydrophobic: norleucine, met, ala, val, leu, ile;
- [0379] (2) neutral hydrophilic: cys, ser, thr;
- [0380] (3) acidic: asp, glu;
- [0381] (4) basic: asn, gin, his, lys, arg;
- [0382] (5) residues that influence chain orientation: gly, pro; and
- [0383] (6) aromatic: trp, tyr, phe.

[0384] Non-conservative substitutions will entail exchanging a member of one of these classes for another class. Such substituted residues also may be introduced into the conservative substitution sites or, more preferably, into the remaining (non-conserved) sites.

[0385] The variations can be made using methods known in the art such as oligonucleotide-mediated (site-directed) mutagenesis, alanine scanning, and PCR mutagenesis. Site-directed mutagenesis [Carter et al., *Nucl. Acids Res.*, 13:4331 (1986); Zoller et al., *Nucl. Acids Res.*, 10:6487 (1987)], cassette mutagenesis [Wells et al., *Gene*, 34:315 (1985)], restriction selection mutagenesis [Wells et al., *Philos. Trans. R. Soc. London SerA*, 317:415 (1986)] or other known techniques can be performed on the cloned DNA to produce the PRO variant DNA.

[0386] Scanning amino acid analysis can also be employed to identify one or more amino acids along a contiguous sequence. Among the preferred scanning amino acids are relatively small, neutral amino acids. Such amino acids include alanine, glycine, serine, and cysteine. Alanine is typically a preferred scanning amino acid among this group because it eliminates the side-chain beyond the beta-carbon and is less likely to alter the main-chain conformation of the variant [Cunningham and Wells, *Science*, 244: 1081-1085 (1989)]. Alanine is also typically preferred because it is the most common amino acid. Further, it is frequently found in both buried and exposed positions [Creighton, *The Proteins*, (W. H. Freeman & Co., N.Y.); Chothia, *J. Mol. Biol.*, 150:1 (1976)]. If alanine substitution does not yield adequate amounts of variant, an isoteric amino acid can be used.

C. Modifications of PRO

[0388] Covalent modifications of PRO are included within the scope of this invention. One type of covalent modification includes reacting targeted amino acid residues of a PRO polypeptide with an organic derivatizing agent that is capable of reacting with selected side chains or the N- or C-terminal residues of the PRO. Derivatization with bifunctional agents is useful, for instance, for crosslinking PRO to a water-insoluble support matrix or surface for use in the method for purifying anti-PRO antibodies, and vice-versa. Commonly used crosslinking agents include, e.g., 1,1-bis-(diazocetyl)-2-phenylethane, glutaraldehyde, N-hydroxysuccinimide esters, for example, esters with 4-azidosalicylic acid, homobifunctional imidoesters, including disuccinimidyl esters such as 3,3'-dithiobis(succinimidylpropionate), bifunctional maleimides such as bis-N-maleimido-1,8-octane and agents such as methyl-3-[(p-azidophenyl)dithio]propionimide.

[0389] Other modifications include deamidation of glutamyl and asparagyl residues to the corresponding glutamyl and aspartyl residues, respectively, hydroxylation of proline and lysine, phosphorylation of hydroxyl groups of seryl or threonyl residues, methylation of the α -amino groups of lysine, arginine, and histidine side chains [T. E. Creighton, *Proteins: Structure and Molecular Properties*, W. H. Freeman & Co., San Francisco, pp. 79-86 (1983)], acetylation of the N-terminal amine, and amidation of any C-terminal carboxyl group.

[0390] Another type of covalent modification of the PRO polypeptide included within the scope of this invention comprises altering the native glycosylation pattern of the polypeptide. "Altering the native glycosylation pattern" is intended for purposes herein to mean deleting one or more carbohydrate moieties found in native sequence PRO (either by removing the underlying glycosylation site or by deleting the glycosylation by chemical and/or enzymatic means), and/or adding one or more glycosylation sites that are not present in the native sequence PRO. In addition, the phrase includes qualitative changes in the glycosylation of the native proteins, involving a change in the nature and proportions of the various carbohydrate moieties present.

[0391] Addition of glycosylation sites to the PRO polypeptide may be accomplished by altering the amino acid sequence. The alteration may be made, for example, by the addition of, or substitution by, one or more serine or threonine residues to the native sequence PRO (for O-linked glycosylation sites). The PRO amino acid sequence may optionally be altered through changes at the DNA level, particularly by mutating the DNA encoding the PRO polypeptide at preselected bases such that codons are generated that will translate into the desired amino acids.

[0392] Another means of increasing the number of carbohydrate moieties on the PRO polypeptide is by chemical or enzymatic coupling of glycosides to the polypeptide. Such methods are described in the art, e.g., in WO 87/05330 published Sep. 11, 1987, and in Aplin and Wriston, *CRC Crit. Rev. Biochem.*, pp. 259-306 (1981).

[0393] Removal of carbohydrate moieties present on the PRO polypeptide may be accomplished chemically or enzymatically or by mutational substitution of codons encoding for amino acid residues that serve as targets for glycosyla-

tion. Chemical deglycosylation techniques are known in the art and described, for instance, by Hakimuddin, et al., *Arch. Biochem. Biophys.* 259:52 (1987) and by Edge et al., *Anal. Biochem.*, 118:131 (1981). Enzymatic cleavage of carbohydrate moieties on polypeptides can be achieved by the use of a variety of endo- and exo-glycosidases as described by Thotakura et al., *Meth. Enzymol.*, 138:350 (1987).

[0394] Another type of covalent modification of PRO comprises linking the PRO polypeptide to one of a variety of nonproteinaceous polymers, e.g., polyethylene glycol (PEG), polypropylene glycol, or polyoxyalkylenes, in the manner set forth in U.S. Pat. Nos. 4,640,835; 4,496,689; 4,301,144; 4,670,417; 4,791,192 or 4,179,337.

[0395] The PRO of the present invention may also be modified in a way to form a chimeric molecule comprising PRO fused to another, heterologous polypeptide or amino acid sequence.

[0396] In one embodiment, such a chimeric molecule comprises a fusion of the PRO with a tag polypeptide which provides an epitope to which an anti-tag antibody can selectively bind. The epitope tag is generally placed at the amino- or carboxyl-terminus of the PRO. The presence of such epitope-tagged forms of the PRO can be detected using an antibody against the tag polypeptide. Also, provision of the epitope tag enables the PRO to be readily purified by affinity purification using an anti-tag antibody or another type of affinity matrix that binds to the epitope tag. Various tag polypeptides and their respective antibodies are well known in the art. Examples include poly-histidine (poly-his) or poly-histidine-glycine (poly-his-gly) tags; the flu HA tag polypeptide and its antibody 12CA5 [Field et al., *Mol. Cell. Biol.*, 8:2159-2165 (1988)]; the c-myc tag and the 8F9, 3C7, 6E10, G4, B7 and 9E10 antibodies thereto [Evan et al., *Molecular and Cellular Biology*, 5:3610-3616 (1985)]; and the Herpes Simplex virus glycoprotein D (gD) tag and its antibody [Paborsky et al., *Protein Engineering* 3(6):547-553 (1990)]. Other tag polypeptides include the Flag-peptide [Hopp et al., *BioTechnology*, 6:1204-1210 (1988)]; the KT3 epitope peptide [Martin et al., *Science*, 255:192-194 (1992)]; an α -tubulin epitope peptide [Skinner et al., *J. Biol. Chem.*, 266:15163-15166 (1991)]; and the T7 gene 10 protein peptide tag [Lutz-Freyermuth et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*, 87:6393-6397 (1990)].

[0397] In an alternative embodiment, the chimeric molecule may comprise a fusion of the PRO with an immunoglobulin or a particular region of an immunoglobulin. For a bivalent form of the chimeric molecule (also referred to as an "immunoadhesin"), such a fusion could be to the Fc region of an IgG molecule. The Ig fusions preferably include the substitution of a soluble (transmembrane domain deleted or inactivated) form of a PRO polypeptide in place of at least one variable region within an Ig molecule. In a particularly preferred embodiment, the immunoglobulin fusion includes the hinge, CH2 and CH3, or the hinge, CH1, CH2 and CH3 regions of an IgG1 molecule. For the production of immunoglobulin fusions see also U.S. Pat. No. 5,428,130 issued Jun. 27, 1995.

[0398] D. Preparation of PRO

[0399] The description below relates primarily to production of PRO by culturing cells transformed or transfected with a vector containing PRO nucleic acid. It is, of course,

contemplated that alternative methods, which are well known in the art, may be employed to prepare PRO. For instance, the PRO sequence, or portions thereof, may be produced by direct peptide synthesis using solid-phase techniques [see, e.g., Stewart et al., *Solid-Phase Peptide Synthesis*, W. H. Freeman Co., San Francisco, Calif. (1969); Merrifield, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, 85:2149-2154 (1963)]. In vitro protein synthesis may be performed using manual techniques or by automation. Automated synthesis may be accomplished, for instance, using an Applied Biosystems Peptide Synthesizer (Foster City, Calif.) using manufacturer's instructions. Various portions of the PRO may be chemically synthesized separately and combined using chemical or enzymatic methods to produce the full-length PRO.

[0400] 1. Isolation of DNA Encoding PRO

[0401] DNA encoding PRO may be obtained from a cDNA library prepared from tissue believed to possess the PRO mRNA and to express it at a detectable level. Accordingly, human PRO DNA can be conveniently obtained from a cDNA library prepared from human tissue, such as described in the Examples. The PRO-encoding gene may also be obtained from a genomic library or by known synthetic procedures (e.g., automated nucleic acid synthesis).

[0402] Libraries can be screened with probes (such as antibodies to the PRO or oligonucleotides of at least about 20-80 bases) designed to identify the gene of interest or the protein encoded by it. Screening the cDNA or genomic library with the selected probe may be conducted using standard procedures, such as described in Sambrook et al., *Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual* (New York: Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, 1989). An alternative means to isolate the gene encoding PRO is to use PCR methodology [Sambrook et al., supra; Dieffenbach et al., *PCR Primer: A Laboratory Manual* (Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, 1995)].

[0403] The Examples below describe techniques for screening a cDNA library. The oligonucleotide sequences selected as probes should be of sufficient length and sufficiently unambiguous that false positives are minimized. The oligonucleotide is preferably labeled such that it can be detected upon hybridization to DNA in the library being screened. Methods of labeling are well known in the art, and include the use of radiolabels like ^{32}P -labeled ATP, biotinylation or enzyme labeling. Hybridization conditions, including moderate stringency and high stringency, are provided in Sambrook et al., supra.

[0404] Sequences identified in such library screening methods can be compared and aligned to other known sequences deposited and available in public databases such as GenBank or other private sequence databases. Sequence identity (at either the amino acid or nucleotide level) within defined regions of the molecule or across the full-length sequence can be determined using methods known in the art and as described herein.

[0405] Nucleic acid having protein coding sequence may be obtained by screening selected cDNA or genomic libraries using the deduced amino acid sequence disclosed herein for the first time, and, if necessary, using conventional primer extension procedures as described in Sambrook et al.,

supra, to detect precursors and processing intermediates of mRNA that may not have been reverse-transcribed into cDNA.

[0406] 2. Selection and Transformation of Host Cells

[0407] Host cells are transfected or transformed with expression or cloning vectors described herein for PRO production and cultured in conventional nutrient media modified as appropriate for inducing promoters, selecting transformants, or amplifying the genes encoding the desired sequences. The culture conditions, such as media, temperature, pH and the like, can be selected by the skilled artisan without undue experimentation. In general, principles, protocols, and practical techniques for maximizing the productivity of cell cultures can be found in *Mammalian Cell Biotechnology: a Practical Approach*, M. Butler, ed. (IRL Press, 1991) and Sambrook et al., supra.

[0408] Methods of eukaryotic cell transfection and prokaryotic cell transformation are known to the ordinarily skilled artisan, for example, CaCl_2 , CaPO_4 , liposome-mediated and electroporation. Depending on the host cell used, transformation is performed using standard techniques appropriate to such cells. The calcium treatment employing calcium chloride, as described in Sambrook et al., supra, or electroporation is generally used for prokaryotes. Infection with *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* is used for transformation of certain plant cells, as described by Shaw et al., *Gene*, 23:315 (1983) and WO 89/05859 published Jun. 29, 1989. For mammalian cells without such cell walls, the calcium phosphate precipitation method of Graham and van der Eb, *Virology*, 52:456-457 (1978) can be employed. General aspects of mammalian cell host system transfections have been described in U.S. Pat. No. 4,399,216. Transformations into yeast are typically carried out according to the method of Van Solingen et al., *J. Bact.*, 130:946 (1977) and Hsiao et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. (USA)*, 76:3829 (1979). However, other methods for introducing DNA into cells, such as by nuclear microinjection, electroporation, bacterial protoplast fusion with intact cells, or polycations, e.g., polybrene, polyornithine, may also be used. For various techniques for transforming mammalian cells, see Keown et al., *Methods in Enzymology*, 185:527-537 (1990) and Mansour et al., *Nature*, 336:348-352 (1988).

[0409] Suitable host cells for cloning or expressing the DNA in the vectors herein include prokaryote, yeast, or higher eukaryote cells. Suitable prokaryotes include but are not limited to eubacteria, such as Gram-negative or Gram-positive organisms, for example, Enterobacteriaceae such as *E. coli*. Various *E. coli* strains are publicly available, such as *E. coli* K12 strain MM294 (ATCC 31,446); *E. coli* X1776 (ATCC 31,537); *E. coli* strain W3110 (ATCC 27,325) and K5 772 (ATCC 53,635). Other suitable prokaryotic host cells include Enterobacteriaceae such as *Escherichia*, e.g., *E. coli*, Enterobacter, *Erwinia*, *Klebsiella*, *Proteus*, *Salmonella*, e.g., *Salmonella typhimurium*, *Serratia*, e.g., *Serratia marcescans*, and *Shigella*, as well as *Bacilli* such as *B. subtilis* and *B. licheniformis* (e.g. *B. licheniformis* 41P disclosed in DD 266,710 published Apr. 12, 1989), *Pseudomonas* such as *P. aeruginosa*, and *Streptomyces*. These examples are illustrative rather than limiting. Strain W3110 is one particularly preferred host or parent host because it is a common host strain for recombinant DNA product fermentations. Preferably, the host cell secretes

minimal amounts of proteolytic enzymes. For example, strain W3110 may be modified to effect a genetic mutation in the genes encoding proteins endogenous to the host, with examples of such hosts including *E. coli* W3110 strain 1A2, which has the complete genotype *tonA*; *E. coli* W3 110 strain 9E4, which has the complete genotype *tonA ptr3*; *E. coli* W3110 strain 27C7 (ATCC 55,244), which has the complete genotype *tonA ptr3 phoA E15 (argF-lac)169 degP ompT kan^r*; *E. coli* W3110 strain 37D6, which has the complete genotype *tonA ptr3 phoA E15 (argF-lac)169 degP ompT rbs7 ilvG kan^r*; *E. coli* W3110 strain 40B4, which is strain 37D6 with a non-kanamycin resistant *degP* deletion mutation; and an *E. coli* strain having mutant periplasmic protease disclosed in U.S. Pat. No. 4,946,783 issued Aug. 7, 1990. Alternatively, in vitro methods of cloning, e.g., PCR or other nucleic acid polymerase reactions, are suitable.

[0410] In addition to prokaryotes, eukaryotic microbes such as filamentous fungi or yeast are suitable cloning or expression hosts for PRO-encoding vectors. *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* is a commonly used lower eukaryotic host microorganism. Others include *Schizosaccharomyces pombe* (Beach and Nurse, *Nature*, 290: 140 [1981]; EP 139,383 published May 2, 1985); *Kluyveromyces* hosts (U.S. Pat. No. 4,943,529; Fleer et al., *Bio/Technology*, 9:968-975 (1991)) such as, e.g., *K. lactis* (MW98-8C, CBS683, CBS4574; Louvencourt et al., *J. Bacteriol.*, 154(2):737-742 [1983]), *K. fragilis* (ATCC 12,424), *K. bulgaricus* (ATCC 16,045), *K. wickerhamii* (ATCC 24,178), *K. waltii* (ATCC 56,500), *K. drosophilum* (ATCC 36,906; Van den Berg et al., *Bio/Technology* 8:135 (1990)), *K. thermotolerans*, and *K. marxianus*; *yarrowia* (EP 402,226); *Pichia pastoris* (EP 183,070; Sreekrishna et al., *J. Basic Microbiol.*, 28:265-278 [1988]); *Candida*; *Trichoderma reesia* (EP 244,234); *Neurospora crassa* (Case et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*, 76:5259-5263 [1979]); *Schwanniomyces* such as *Schwanniomyces occidentalis* (EP 394,538 published Oct. 31, 1990); and filamentous fungi such as, e.g., *Neurospora*, *Penicillium*, *Tolypocladium* (WO 91/00357 published Jan. 10, 1991), and *Aspergillus* hosts such as *A. nidulans* (Balance et al., *Biochem. Biophys. Res. Commun.*, 112:284-289 [1983]; Tilburn et al., *Gene*, 26:205-221 [1983]; Yelton et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*, 81: 1470-1474 [1984]) and *A. niger* (Kelly and Hynes, *EMBO J.*, 4:475-479 [1985]). Methylotrophic yeasts are suitable herein and include, but are not limited to, yeast capable of growth on methanol selected from the genera consisting of *Hansenula*, *Candida*, *Kloeckera*, *Pichia*, *Saccharomyces*, *Torulopsis*, and *Rhodotorula*. A list of specific species that are exemplary of this class of yeasts may be found in C. Anthony, *The Biochemistry of Methylotrophs*, 269 (1982).

[0411] Suitable host cells for the expression of glycosylated PRO are derived from multicellular organisms. Examples of invertebrate cells include insect cells such as *Drosophila* S2 and *Spodoptera* Sf9, as well as plant cells. Examples of useful mammalian host cell lines include Chinese hamster ovary (CHO) and COS cells. More specific examples include monkey kidney CV1 line transformed by SV40 (COS-7, ATCC CRL 1651); human embryonic kidney line (293 or 293 cells subcloned for growth in suspension culture, Graham et al., *J. Gen Virol.*, 36:59 (1977)); Chinese hamster ovary cells/DHFR (CHO, Urlaub and Chasin, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*, 77:4216 (1980)); mouse sertoli cells (TM4, Mather, *Biol. Reprod.*, 23:243-251 (1980)); human lung cells (W138, ATCC CCL 75); human liver cells

(Hep G2, HB 8065); and mouse mammary tumor (MMT 060562, ATCC CCL51). The selection of the appropriate host cell is deemed to be within the skill in the art.

[0412] 3. Selection and Use of a Replicable Vector

[0413] The nucleic acid (e.g., cDNA or genomic DNA) encoding PRO may be inserted into a replicable vector for cloning (amplification of the DNA) or for expression. Various vectors are publicly available. The vector may, for example, be in the form of a plasmid, cosmid, viral particle, or phage. The appropriate nucleic acid sequence may be inserted into the vector by a variety of procedures. In general, DNA is inserted into an appropriate restriction endonuclease site(s) using techniques known in the art. Vector components generally include, but are not limited to, one or more of a signal sequence, an origin of replication, one or more marker genes, an enhancer element, a promoter, and a transcription termination sequence. Construction of suitable vectors containing one or more of these components employs standard ligation techniques which are known to the skilled artisan.

[0414] The PRO may be produced recombinantly not only directly, but also as a fusion polypeptide with a heterologous polypeptide, which may be a signal sequence or other polypeptide having a specific cleavage site at the N-terminus of the mature protein or polypeptide. In general, the signal sequence may be a component of the vector, or it may be a part of the PRO-encoding DNA that is inserted into the vector. The signal sequence may be a prokaryotic signal sequence selected, for example, from the group of the alkaline phosphatase, penicillinase, lpp, or heat-stable enterotoxin II leaders. For yeast secretion the signal sequence may be, e.g., the yeast invertase leader, alpha factor leader (including *Saccharomyces* and *Kluyveromyces* α -factor leaders, the latter described in U.S. Pat. No. 5,010,182), or acid phosphatase leader, the *C. albicans* glucoamylase leader (EP 362,179 published Apr. 4, 1990), or the signal described in WO 90/13646 published Nov. 15, 1990. In mammalian cell expression, mammalian signal sequences may be used to direct secretion of the protein, such as signal sequences from secreted polypeptides of the same or related species, as well as viral secretory leaders.

[0415] Both expression and cloning vectors contain a nucleic acid sequence that enables the vector to replicate in one or more selected host cells. Such sequences are well known for a variety of bacteria, yeast, and viruses. The origin of replication from the plasmid pBR322 is suitable for most Gram-negative bacteria, the 2μ plasmid origin is suitable for yeast, and various viral origins (SV40, polyoma, adenovirus, VSV or BPV) are useful for cloning vectors in mammalian cells.

[0416] Expression and cloning vectors will typically contain a selection gene, also termed a selectable marker. Typical selection genes encode proteins that (a) confer resistance to antibiotics or other toxins, e.g., ampicillin, neomycin, methotrexate, or tetracycline, (b) complement auxotrophic deficiencies, or (c) supply critical nutrients not available from complex media, e.g., the gene encoding D-alanine racemase for *Bacilli*.

[0417] An example of suitable selectable markers for mammalian cells are those that enable the identification of cells competent to take up the PRO-encoding nucleic acid,

such as DHFR or thymidine kinase. An appropriate host cell when wild-type DHFR is employed is the CHO cell line deficient in DHFR activity, prepared and propagated as described by Urlaub et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*, 77:4216 (1980). A suitable selection gene for use in yeast is the *tip1* gene present in the yeast plasmid YRp7 [Stinchcomb et al., *Nature*, 282:39 (1979); Kingsman et al., *Gene*, 7:141 (1979); Tschemper et al., *Gene*, 10:157 (1980)]. The *trp1* gene provides a selection marker for a mutant strain of yeast lacking the ability to grow in tryptophan, for example, ATCC No. 44076 or PEP4-1 [Jones, *Genetics*, 85:12 (1977)].

[0418] Expression and cloning vectors usually contain a promoter operably linked to the PRO-encoding nucleic acid sequence to direct mRNA synthesis. Promoters recognized by a variety of potential host cells are well known. Promoters suitable for use with prokaryotic hosts include the β -lactamase and lactose promoter systems [Chang et al., *Nature*, 275:615 (1978); Goeddel et al., *Nature*, 281:544 (1979)], alkaline phosphatase, a tryptophan (*trp*) promoter system [Goeddel, *Nucleic Acids Res.*, 8:4057 (1980); EP 36,776], and hybrid promoters such as the *tac* promoter [deBoer et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*, 80:21-25 (1983)]. Promoters for use in bacterial systems also will contain a Shine-Dalgarno (S.D.) sequence operably linked to the DNA encoding PRO.

[0419] Examples of suitable promoting sequences for use with yeast hosts include the promoters for 3-phosphoglycerate kinase [Hitzeman et al., *J. Biol. Chem.*, 255:2073 (1980)] or other glycolytic enzymes [Hess et al., *J. Adv. Enzyme Reg.* 7:149 (1968); Holland, *Biochemistry*, 17:4900 (1978)], such as enolase, glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase, hexokinase, pyruvate decarboxylase, phosphofructokinase, glucose-6-phosphate isomerase, 3-phosphoglycerate mutase, pyruvate kinase, triosephosphate isomerase, phosphoglucose isomerase, and glucokinase.

[0420] Other yeast promoters, which are inducible promoters having the additional advantage of transcription controlled by growth conditions, are the promoter regions for alcohol dehydrogenase 2, isocytochrome C, acid phosphatase, degradative enzymes associated with nitrogen metabolism, metallothionein, glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase, and enzymes responsible for maltose and galactose utilization. Suitable vectors and promoters for use in yeast expression are further described in EP 73,657.

[0421] PRO transcription from vectors in mammalian host cells is controlled, for example, by promoters obtained from the genomes of viruses such as polyoma virus, fowlpox virus (UK 2,211,504 published Jul. 5, 1989), adenovirus (such as Adenovirus 2), bovine papilloma virus, avian sarcoma virus, cytomegalovirus, a retrovirus, hepatitis-B virus and Simian Virus 40 (SV40), from heterologous mammalian promoters, e.g., the actin promoter or an immunoglobulin promoter, and from heat-shock promoters, provided such promoters are compatible with the host cell systems.

[0422] Transcription of a DNA encoding the PRO by higher eukaryotes may be increased by inserting an enhancer sequence into the vector. Enhancers are cis-acting elements of DNA, usually about from 10 to 300 bp, that act on a promoter to increase its transcription. Many enhancer sequences are now known from mammalian genes (globin,

elastase, albumin, α -fetoprotein, and insulin). Typically, however, one will use an enhancer from a eukaryotic cell virus. Examples include the SV40 enhancer on the late side of the replication origin (bp 100-270), the cytomegalovirus early promoter enhancer, the polyoma enhancer on the late side of the replication origin, and adenovirus enhancers. The enhancer may be spliced into the vector at a position 5' or 3' to the PRO coding sequence, but is preferably located at a site 5' from the promoter.

[0423] Expression vectors used in eukaryotic host cells (yeast, fungi, insect, plant, animal, human, or nucleated cells from other multicellular organisms) will also contain sequences necessary for the termination of transcription and for stabilizing the mRNA. Such sequences are commonly available from the 5' and, occasionally 3', untranslated regions of eukaryotic or viral DNAs or cDNAs. These regions contain nucleotide segments transcribed as polyadenylated fragments in the untranslated portion of the mRNA encoding PRO.

[0424] Still other methods, vectors, and host cells suitable for adaptation to the synthesis of PRO in recombinant vertebrate cell culture are described in Gething et al., *Nature*, 293:620-625 (1981); Mantei et al., *Nature*, 281:40-46 (1979); EP 117,060; and EP 117,058.

[0425] 4. Detecting Gene Amplification/Expression

[0426] Gene amplification and/or expression may be measured in a sample directly, for example, by conventional Southern blotting, Northern blotting to quantitate the transcription of mRNA [Thomas, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*, 77:5201-5205 (1980)], dot blotting (DNA analysis), or in situ hybridization, using an appropriately labeled probe, based on the sequences provided herein. Alternatively, antibodies may be employed that can recognize specific duplexes, including DNA duplexes, RNA duplexes, and DNA-RNA hybrid duplexes or DNA-protein duplexes. The antibodies in turn may be labeled and the assay may be carried out where the duplex is bound to a surface, so that upon the formation of duplex on the surface, the presence of antibody bound to the duplex can be detected.

[0427] Gene expression, alternatively, may be measured by immunological methods, such as immunohistochemical staining of cells or tissue sections and assay of cell culture or body fluids, to quantitate directly the expression of gene product. Antibodies useful for immunohistochemical staining and/or assay of sample fluids may be either monoclonal or polyclonal, and may be prepared in any mammal. Conveniently, the antibodies may be prepared against a native sequence PRO polypeptide or against a synthetic peptide based on the DNA sequences provided herein or against exogenous sequence fused to PRO DNA and encoding a specific antibody epitope.

[0428] 5. Purification of Polypeptide

[0429] Forms of PRO may be recovered from culture medium or from host cell lysates. If membrane-bound, it can be released from the membrane using a suitable detergent solution (e.g. Triton-X 100) or by enzymatic cleavage. Cells employed in expression of PRO can be disrupted by various physical or chemical means, such as freeze-thaw cycling, sonication, mechanical disruption, or cell lysing agents.

[0430] It may be desired to purify PRO from recombinant cell proteins or polypeptides. The following procedures are

exemplary of suitable purification procedures: by fractionation on an ion-exchange column; ethanol precipitation; reverse phase HPLC; chromatography on silica or on a cation-exchange resin such as DEAE; chromatofocusing; SDS-PAGE; ammonium sulfate precipitation; gel filtration using, for example, Sephadex G-75; protein A Sepharose columns to remove contaminants such as IgG; and metal chelating columns to bind epitope-tagged forms of the PRO. Various methods of protein purification may be employed and such methods are known in the art and described for example in Deutscher, *Methods in Enzymology* 182 (1990); Scopes, *Protein Purification: Principles and Practice*, Springer-Verlag, New York (1982). The purification step(s) selected will depend, for example, on the nature of the production process used and the particular PRO produced.

[0431] E. Uses for PRO

[0432] Nucleotide sequences (or their complement) encoding PRO have various applications in the art of molecular biology, including uses as hybridization probes, in chromosome and gene mapping and in the generation of anti-sense RNA and DNA. PRO nucleic acid will also be useful for the preparation of PRO polypeptides by the recombinant techniques described herein.

[0433] The full-length native sequence PRO gene, or portions thereof, may be used as hybridization probes for a cDNA library to isolate the full-length PRO cDNA or to isolate still other cDNAs (for instance, those encoding naturally-occurring variants of PRO or PRO from other species) which have a desired sequence identity to the native PRO sequence disclosed herein. Optionally, the length of the probes will be about 20 to about 50 bases. The hybridization probes may be derived from at least partially novel regions of the full length native nucleotide sequence wherein those regions may be determined without undue experimentation or from genomic sequences including promoters, enhancer elements and introns of native sequence PRO. By way of example, a screening method will comprise isolating the coding region of the PRO gene using the known DNA sequence to synthesize a selected probe of about 40 bases. Hybridization probes may be labeled by a variety of labels, including radionucleotides such as ^{32}P or ^{35}S , or enzymatic labels such as alkaline phosphatase coupled to the probe via avidin/biotin coupling systems. Labeled probes having a sequence complementary to that of the PRO gene of the present invention can be used to screen libraries of human cDNA, genomic DNA or mRNA to determine which members of such libraries the probe hybridizes to. Hybridization techniques are described in further detail in the Examples below.

[0434] Any EST sequences disclosed in the present application may similarly be employed as probes, using the methods disclosed herein.

[0435] Other useful fragments of the PRO nucleic acids include antisense or sense oligonucleotides comprising a single-stranded nucleic acid sequence (either RNA or DNA) capable of binding to target PRO mRNA (sense) or PRO DNA (antisense) sequences. Antisense or sense oligonucleotides, according to the present invention, comprise a fragment of the coding region of PRO DNA. Such a fragment generally comprises at least about 14 nucleotides, preferably from about 14 to 30 nucleotides. The ability to derive an antisense or a sense oligonucleotide, based upon a cDNA

sequence encoding a given protein is described in, for example, Stein and Cohen (*Cancer Res.* 48:2659, 1988) and van der Krol et al. (*BioTechniques* 6:958, 1988).

[0436] Binding of antisense or sense oligonucleotides to target nucleic acid sequences results in the formation of duplexes that block transcription or translation of the target sequence by one of several means, including enhanced degradation of the duplexes, premature termination of transcription or translation, or by other means. The antisense oligonucleotides thus may be used to block expression of PRO proteins. Antisense or sense oligonucleotides further comprise oligonucleotides having modified sugar-phosphodiester backbones (or other sugar linkages, such as those described in WO 91/06629) and wherein such sugar linkages are resistant to endogenous nucleases. Such oligonucleotides with resistant sugar linkages are stable in vivo (i.e., capable of resisting enzymatic degradation) but retain sequence specificity to be able to bind to target nucleotide sequences.

[0437] Other examples of sense or antisense oligonucleotides include those oligonucleotides which are covalently linked to organic moieties, such as those described in WO 90/10048, and other moieties that increases affinity of the oligonucleotide for a target nucleic acid sequence, such as poly-(L-lysine). Further still, intercalating agents, such as ellipticine, and alkylating agents or metal complexes may be attached to sense or antisense oligonucleotides to modify binding specificities of the antisense or sense oligonucleotide for the target nucleotide sequence.

[0438] Antisense or sense oligonucleotides may be introduced into a cell containing the target nucleic acid sequence by any gene transfer method, including, for example, CaPO₄-mediated DNA transfection, electroporation, or by using gene transfer vectors such as Epstein-Barr virus. In a preferred procedure, an antisense or sense oligonucleotide is inserted into a suitable retroviral vector. A cell containing the target nucleic acid sequence is contacted with the recombinant retroviral vector, either in vivo or ex vivo. Suitable retroviral vectors include, but are not limited to, those derived from the murine retrovirus M-MuLV, N2 (a retrovirus derived from M-MuLV), or the double copy vectors designated DCT5A, DCT5B and DCT5C (see WO 90/13641).

[0439] Sense or antisense oligonucleotides also may be introduced into a cell containing the target nucleotide sequence by formation of a conjugate with a ligand binding molecule, as described in WO 91/04753. Suitable ligand binding molecules include, but are not limited to, cell surface receptors, growth factors, other cytokines, or other ligands that bind to cell surface receptors. Preferably, conjugation of the ligand binding molecule does not substantially interfere with the ability of the ligand binding molecule to bind to its corresponding molecule or receptor, or block entry of the sense or antisense oligonucleotide or its conjugated version into the cell.

[0440] Alternatively, a sense or an antisense oligonucleotide may be introduced into a cell containing the target nucleic acid sequence by formation of an oligonucleotide-lipid complex, as described in WO 90/10448. The sense or antisense oligonucleotide-lipid complex is preferably dissociated within the cell by an endogenous lipase.

[0441] Antisense or sense RNA or DNA molecules are generally at least about 5 bases in length, about 10 bases in

length, about 15 bases in length, about 20 bases in length, about 25 bases in length, about 30 bases in length, about 35 bases in length, about 40 bases in length, about 45 bases in length, about 50 bases in length, about 55 bases in length, about 60 bases in length, about 65 bases in length, about 70 bases in length, about 75 bases in length, about 80 bases in length, about 85 bases in length, about 90 bases in length, about 95 bases in length, about 100 bases in length, or more.

[0442] The probes may also be employed in PCR techniques to generate a pool of sequences for identification of closely related PRO coding sequences.

[0443] Nucleotide sequences encoding a PRO can also be used to construct hybridization probes for mapping the gene which encodes that PRO and for the genetic analysis of individuals with genetic disorders. The nucleotide sequences provided herein may be mapped to a chromosome and specific regions of a chromosome using known techniques, such as in situ hybridization, linkage analysis against known chromosomal markers, and hybridization screening with libraries.

[0444] When the coding sequences for PRO encode a protein which binds to another protein (example, where the PRO is a receptor), the PRO can be used in assays to identify the other proteins or molecules involved in the binding interaction. By such methods, inhibitors of the receptor/ligand binding interaction can be identified. Proteins involved in such binding interactions can also be used to screen for peptide or small molecule inhibitors or agonists of the binding interaction. Also, the receptor PRO can be used to isolate correlative ligand(s). Screening assays can be designed to find lead compounds that mimic the biological activity of a native PRO or a receptor for PRO. Such screening assays will include assays amenable to high-throughput screening of chemical libraries, making them particularly suitable for identifying small molecule drug candidates. Small molecules contemplated include synthetic organic or inorganic compounds. The assays can be performed in a variety of formats, including protein-protein binding assays, biochemical screening assays, immunoassays and cell based assays, which are well characterized in the art.

[0445] Nucleic acids which encode PRO or its modified forms can also be used to generate either transgenic animals or "knock out" animals which, in turn, are useful in the development and screening of therapeutically useful reagents. A transgenic animal (e.g., a mouse or rat) is an animal having cells that contain a transgene, which transgene was introduced into the animal or an ancestor of the animal at a prenatal, e.g., an embryonic stage. A transgene is a DNA which is integrated into the genome of a cell from which a transgenic animal develops. In one embodiment, cDNA encoding PRO can be used to clone genomic DNA encoding PRO in accordance with established techniques and the genomic sequences used to generate transgenic animals that contain cells which express DNA encoding PRO. Methods for generating transgenic animals, particularly animals such as mice or rats, have become conventional in the art and are described, for example, in U.S. Pat. Nos. 4,736,866 and 4,870,009. Typically, particular cells would be targeted for PRO transgene incorporation with tissue-specific enhancers. Transgenic animals that include a copy of a transgene encoding PRO introduced into the germ

line of the animal at an embryonic stage can be used to examine the effect of increased expression of DNA encoding PRO. Such animals can be used as tester animals for reagents thought to confer protection from, for example, pathological conditions associated with its overexpression. In accordance with this facet of the invention, an animal is treated with the reagent and a reduced incidence of the pathological condition, compared to untreated animals bearing the transgene, would indicate a potential therapeutic intervention for the pathological condition.

[0446] Alternatively, non-human homologues of PRO can be used to construct a PRO “knock out” animal which has a defective or altered gene encoding PRO as a result of homologous recombination between the endogenous gene encoding PRO and altered genomic DNA encoding PRO introduced into an embryonic stem cell of the animal. For example, cDNA encoding PRO can be used to clone genomic DNA encoding PRO in accordance with established techniques. A portion of the genomic DNA encoding PRO can be deleted or replaced with another gene, such as a gene encoding a selectable marker which can be used to monitor integration. Typically, several kilobases of unaltered flanking DNA (both at the 5' and 3' ends) are included in the vector [see e.g., Thomas and Capecchi, *Cell*, 51:503 (1987) for a description of homologous recombination vectors]. The vector is introduced into an embryonic stem cell line (e.g., by electroporation) and cells in which the introduced DNA has homologously recombined with the endogenous DNA are selected [see e.g., Li et al., *Cell*, 69:915 (1992)]. The selected cells are then injected into a blastocyst of an animal (e.g., a mouse or rat) to form aggregation chimeras [see e.g., Bradley, in *Teratocarcinomas and Embryonic Stem Cells: A Practical Approach*, E. J. Robertson, ed. (IRL, Oxford, 1987), pp. 113-152]. A chimeric embryo can then be implanted into a suitable pseudopregnant female foster animal and the embryo brought to term to create a “knock out” animal. Progeny harboring the homologously recombined DNA in their germ cells can be identified by standard techniques and used to breed animals in which all cells of the animal contain the homologously recombined DNA. Knock-out animals can be characterized for instance, for their ability to defend against certain pathological conditions and for their development of pathological conditions due to absence of the PRO polypeptide.

[0447] Nucleic acid encoding the PRO polypeptides may also be used in gene therapy. In gene therapy applications, genes are introduced into cells in order to achieve in vivo synthesis of a therapeutically effective genetic product, for example for replacement of a defective gene. “Gene therapy” includes both conventional gene therapy where a lasting effect is achieved by a single treatment, and the administration of gene therapeutic agents, which involves the one time or repeated administration of a therapeutically effective DNA or mRNA. Antisense RNAs and DNAs can be used as therapeutic agents for blocking the expression of certain genes in vivo. It has already been shown that short antisense oligonucleotides can be imported into cells where they act as inhibitors, despite their low intracellular concentrations caused by their restricted uptake by the cell membrane. (Zamecnik et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 83:4143-4146 [1986]). The oligonucleotides can be modified to enhance their uptake, e.g. by substituting their negatively charged phosphodiester groups by uncharged groups.

[0448] There are a variety of techniques available for introducing nucleic acids into viable cells. The techniques vary depending upon whether the nucleic acid is transferred into cultured cells in vitro, or in vivo in the cells of the intended host. Techniques suitable for the transfer of nucleic acid into mammalian cells in vitro include the use of liposomes, electroporation, microinjection, cell fusion, DEAE-dextran, the calcium phosphate precipitation method, etc. The currently preferred in vivo gene transfer techniques include transfection with viral (typically retroviral) vectors and viral coat protein-liposome mediated transfection (Dzau et al., *Trends in Biotechnology* 11, 205-210 [1993]). In some situations it is desirable to provide the nucleic acid source with an agent that targets the target cells, such as an antibody specific for a cell surface membrane protein or the target cell, a ligand for a receptor on the target cell, etc. Where liposomes are employed, proteins which bind to a cell surface membrane protein associated with endocytosis may be used for targeting and/or to facilitate uptake, e.g. capsid proteins or fragments thereof tropic for a particular cell type, antibodies for proteins which undergo internalization in cycling, proteins that target intracellular localization and enhance intracellular half-life. The technique of receptor-mediated endocytosis is described, for example, by Wu et al., *J. Biol. Chem.* 262, 4429-4432 (1987); and Wagner et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 87, 3410-3414 (1990). For review of gene marking and gene therapy protocols see Anderson et al., *Science* 256, 808-813 (1992).

[0449] The PRO polypeptides described herein may also be employed as molecular weight markers for protein electrophoresis purposes and the isolated nucleic acid sequences may be used for recombinantly expressing those markers.

[0450] The nucleic acid molecules encoding the PRO polypeptides or fragments thereof described herein are useful for chromosome identification. In this regard, there exists an ongoing need to identify new chromosome markers, since relatively few chromosome marking reagents, based upon actual sequence data are presently available. Each PRO nucleic acid molecule of the present invention can be used as a chromosome marker.

[0451] The PRO polypeptides and nucleic acid molecules of the present invention may also be used for tissue typing, wherein the PRO polypeptides of the present invention may be differentially expressed in one tissue as compared to another. PRO nucleic acid molecules will find use for generating probes for PCR, Northern analysis, Southern analysis and Western analysis.

[0452] The PRO polypeptides described herein may also be employed as therapeutic agents. The PRO polypeptides of the present invention can be formulated according to known methods to prepare pharmaceutically useful compositions, whereby the PRO product hereof is combined in admixture with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier vehicle. Therapeutic formulations are prepared for storage by mixing the active ingredient having the desired degree of purity with optional physiologically acceptable carriers, excipients or stabilizers (*Remington's Pharmaceutical Sciences* 16th edition, Osol, A. Ed. (1980)), in the form of lyophilized formulations or aqueous solutions. Acceptable carriers, excipients or stabilizers are nontoxic to recipients at the dosages and concentrations employed, and include buffers such as phosphate, citrate and other organic acids; antioxi-

dants including ascorbic acid; low molecular weight (less than about 10 residues) polypeptides; proteins, such as serum albumin, gelatin or immunoglobulins; hydrophilic polymers such as polyvinylpyrrolidone, amino acids such as glycine, glutamine, asparagine, arginine or lysine; monosaccharides, disaccharides and other carbohydrates including glucose, mannose, or dextrans; chelating agents such as EDTA; sugar alcohols such as mannitol or sorbitol; salt-forming counterions such as sodium; and/or nonionic surfactants such as TWEEN™, PLURONICS™ or PEG.

[0453] The formulations to be used for in vivo administration must be sterile. This is readily accomplished by filtration through sterile filtration membranes, prior to or following lyophilization and reconstitution.

[0454] Therapeutic compositions herein generally are placed into a container having a sterile access port, for example, an intravenous solution bag or vial having a stopper pierceable by a hypodermic injection needle.

[0455] The route of administration is in accord with known methods, e.g. injection or infusion by intravenous, intraperitoneal, intracerebral, intramuscular, intraocular, intraarterial or intralesional routes, topical administration, or by sustained release systems.

[0456] Dosages and desired drug concentrations of pharmaceutical compositions of the present invention may vary depending on the particular use envisioned. The determination of the appropriate dosage or route of administration is well within the skill of an ordinary physician. Animal experiments provide reliable guidance for the determination of effective doses for human therapy. Interspecies scaling of effective doses can be performed following the principles laid down by Mordenti, J. and Chappell, W. "The use of interspecies scaling in toxicokinetics" In *Toxicokinetics and New Drug Development*, Yacobi et al., Eds., Pergamon Press, New York 1989, pp. 42-96.

[0457] When in vivo administration of a PRO polypeptide or agonist or antagonist thereof is employed, normal dosage amounts may vary from about 10 ng/kg to up to 100 mg/kg of mammal body weight or more per day, preferably about 1 µg/kg/day to 10 mg/kg/day, depending upon the route of administration. Guidance as to particular dosages and methods of delivery is provided in the literature; see, for example, U.S. Pat. Nos. 4,657,760; 5,206,344; or 5,225,212. It is anticipated that different formulations will be effective for different treatment compounds and different disorders, that administration targeting one organ or tissue, for example, may necessitate delivery in a manner different from that to another organ or tissue.

[0458] Where sustained-release administration of a PRO polypeptide is desired in a formulation with release characteristics suitable for the treatment of any disease or disorder requiring administration of the PRO polypeptide, microencapsulation of the PRO polypeptide is contemplated. Microencapsulation of recombinant proteins for sustained release has been successfully performed with human growth hormone (rhGH), interferon-(rhIFN-), interleukin-2, and MN rgp120. Johnson et al., *Nat. Med.*, 2:795-799 (1996); Yasuda, *Biomed. Ther.*, 27:1221-1223 (1993); Hora et al., *Bio/Technology*, 8:755-758 (1990); Cleland, "Design and Production of Single Immunization Vaccines Using Polylactide Polyglycolide Microsphere Systems," in *Vaccine*

Design: The Subunit and Adjuvant Approach, Powell and Newman, eds, (Plenum Press: New York, 1995), pp. 439-462; WO 97/03692, WO 96/40072, WO 96/07399; and U.S. Pat. No. 5,654,010.

[0459] The sustained-release formulations of these proteins were developed using poly-lactic-coglycolic acid (PLGA) polymer due to its biocompatibility and wide range of biodegradable properties. The degradation products of PLGA, lactic and glycolic acids, can be cleared quickly within the human body. Moreover, the degradability of this polymer can be adjusted from months to years depending on its molecular weight and composition. Lewis, "Controlled release of bioactive agents from lactide/glycolide polymer," in: M. Chasin and R. Langer (Eds.), *Biodegradable Polymers as Drug Delivery Systems* (Marcel Dekker: New York, 1990), pp. 1-41.

[0460] This invention encompasses methods of screening compounds to identify those that mimic the PRO polypeptide (agonists) or prevent the effect of the PRO polypeptide (antagonists). Screening assays for antagonist drug candidates are designed to identify compounds that bind or complex with the PRO polypeptides encoded by the genes identified herein, or otherwise interfere with the interaction of the encoded polypeptides with other cellular proteins. Such screening assays will include assays amenable to high-throughput screening of chemical libraries, making them particularly suitable for identifying small molecule drug candidates.

[0461] The assays can be performed in a variety of formats, including protein-protein binding assays, biochemical screening assays, immunoassays, and cell-based assays, which are well characterized in the art.

[0462] All assays for antagonists are common in that they call for contacting the drug candidate with a PRO polypeptide encoded by a nucleic acid identified herein under conditions and for a time sufficient to allow these two components to interact.

[0463] In binding assays, the interaction is binding and the complex formed can be isolated or detected in the reaction mixture. In a particular embodiment, the PRO polypeptide encoded by the gene identified herein or the drug candidate is immobilized on a solid phase, e.g., on a microtiter plate, by covalent or non-covalent attachments. Non-covalent attachment generally is accomplished by coating the solid surface with a solution of the PRO polypeptide and drying. Alternatively, an immobilized antibody, e.g., a monoclonal antibody, specific for the PRO polypeptide to be immobilized can be used to anchor it to a solid surface. The assay is performed by adding the non-immobilized component, which may be labeled by a detectable label, to the immobilized component, e.g., the coated surface containing the anchored component. When the reaction is complete, the non-reacted components are removed, e.g., by washing, and complexes anchored on the solid surface are detected. When the originally non-immobilized component carries a detectable label, the detection of label immobilized on the surface indicates that complexing occurred. Where the originally non-immobilized component does not carry a label, complexing can be detected, for example, by using a labeled antibody specifically binding the immobilized complex.

[0464] If the candidate compound interacts with but does not bind to a particular PRO polypeptide encoded by a gene

identified herein, its interaction with that polypeptide can be assayed by methods well known for detecting protein-protein interactions. Such assays include traditional approaches, such as, e.g., cross-linking, co-immunoprecipitation, and co-purification through gradients or chromatographic columns. In addition, protein-protein interactions can be monitored by using a yeast-based genetic system described by Fields and co-workers (Fields and Song, *Nature* (London), 340:245-246 (1989); Chien et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*, 88:9578-9582 (1991)) as disclosed by Chevray and Nathans, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*, 89: 5789-5793 (1991). Many transcriptional activators, such as yeast GAL4, consist of two physically discrete modular domains, one acting as the DNA-binding domain, the other one functioning as the transcription-activation domain. The yeast expression system described in the foregoing publications (generally referred to as the "two-hybrid system") takes advantage of this property, and employs two hybrid proteins, one in which the target protein is fused to the DNA-binding domain of GAL4, and another, in which candidate activating proteins are fused to the activation domain. The expression of a GAL1-lacZ reporter gene under control of a GALA-activated promoter depends on reconstitution of GALA activity via protein-protein interaction. Colonies containing interacting polypeptides are detected with a chromogenic substrate for β -galactosidase. A complete kit (MATCHMAKER™) for identifying protein-protein interactions between two specific proteins using the two-hybrid technique is commercially available from Clontech. This system can also be extended to map protein domains involved in specific protein interactions as well as to pinpoint amino acid residues that are crucial for these interactions.

[0465] Compounds that interfere with the interaction of a gene encoding a PRO polypeptide identified herein and other intra- or extracellular components can be tested as follows: usually a reaction mixture is prepared containing the product of the gene and the intra- or extracellular component under conditions and for a time allowing for the interaction and binding of the two products. To test the ability of a candidate compound to inhibit binding, the reaction is run in the absence and in the presence of the test compound. In addition, a placebo may be added to a third reaction mixture, to serve as positive control. The binding (complex formation) between the test compound and the intra- or extracellular component present in the mixture is monitored as described hereinabove. The formation of a complex in the control reaction(s) but not in the reaction mixture containing the test compound indicates that the test compound interferes with the interaction of the test compound and its reaction partner.

[0466] To assay for antagonists, the PRO polypeptide may be added to a cell along with the compound to be screened for a particular activity and the ability of the compound to inhibit the activity of interest in the presence of the PRO polypeptide indicates that the compound is an antagonist to the PRO polypeptide. Alternatively, antagonists may be detected by combining the PRO polypeptide and a potential antagonist with membrane-bound PRO polypeptide receptors or recombinant receptors under appropriate conditions for a competitive inhibition assay. The PRO polypeptide can be labeled, such as by radioactivity, such that the number of PRO polypeptide molecules bound to the receptor can be used to determine the effectiveness of the potential antago-

nist. The gene encoding the receptor can be identified by numerous methods known to those of skill in the art, for example, ligand panning and FACS sorting. Coligan et al., *Current Protocols in Immun.* 1(2): Chapter 5 (1991). Preferably, expression cloning is employed wherein polyadenylated RNA is prepared from a cell responsive to the PRO polypeptide and a cDNA library created from this RNA is divided into pools and used to transfect COS cells or other cells that are not responsive to the PRO polypeptide. Transfected cells that are grown on glass slides are exposed to labeled PRO polypeptide. The PRO polypeptide can be labeled by a variety of means including iodination or inclusion of a recognition site for a site-specific protein kinase. Following fixation and incubation, the slides are subjected to autoradiographic analysis. Positive pools are identified and sub-pools are prepared and re-transfected using an interactive sub-pooling and re-screening process, eventually yielding a single clone that encodes the putative receptor.

[0467] As an alternative approach for receptor identification, labeled PRO polypeptide can be photoaffinity-linked with cell membrane or extract preparations that express the receptor molecule. Cross-linked material is resolved by PAGE and exposed to X-ray film. The labeled complex containing the receptor can be excised, resolved into peptide fragments, and subjected to protein micro-sequencing. The amino acid sequence obtained from micro-sequencing would be used to design a set of degenerate oligonucleotide probes to screen a cDNA library to identify the gene encoding the putative receptor.

[0468] In another assay for antagonists, mammalian cells or a membrane preparation expressing the receptor would be incubated with labeled PRO polypeptide in the presence of the candidate compound. The ability of the compound to enhance or block this interaction could then be measured.

[0469] More specific examples of potential antagonists include an oligonucleotide that binds to the fusions of immunoglobulin with PRO polypeptide, and, in particular, antibodies including, without limitation, poly- and monoclonal antibodies and antibody fragments, single-chain antibodies, anti-idiotypic antibodies, and chimeric or humanized versions of such antibodies or fragments, as well as human antibodies and antibody fragments. Alternatively, a potential antagonist may be a closely related protein, for example, a mutated form of the PRO polypeptide that recognizes the receptor but imparts no effect, thereby competitively inhibiting the action of the PRO polypeptide.

[0470] Another potential PRO polypeptide antagonist is an antisense RNA or DNA construct prepared using antisense technology, where, e.g., an antisense RNA or DNA molecule acts to block directly the translation of mRNA by hybridizing to targeted mRNA and preventing protein translation. Antisense technology can be used to control gene expression through triple-helix formation or antisense DNA or RNA, both of which methods are based on binding of a polynucleotide to DNA or RNA. For example, the 5' coding portion of the polynucleotide sequence, which encodes the mature PRO polypeptides herein, is used to design an antisense RNA oligonucleotide of from about 10 to 40 base pairs in length. A DNA oligonucleotide is designed to be complementary to a region of the gene involved in transcription (triple helix—see Lee et al., *Nucl. Acids Res.* 6:3073 (1979); Cooney et al., *Science*, 241: 456 (1988);

Dervan et al., *Science*, 251:1360 (1991)), thereby preventing transcription and the production of the PRO polypeptide. The antisense RNA oligonucleotide hybridizes to the mRNA in vivo and blocks translation of the mRNA molecule into the PRO polypeptide (antisense—Okano, *Neurochem.*, 56:560 (1991); *Oligodeoxynucleotides as Antisense Inhibitors of Gene Expression* (CRC Press: Boca Raton, Fla., 1988). The oligonucleotides described above can also be delivered to cells such that the antisense RNA or DNA may be expressed in vivo to inhibit production of the PRO polypeptide. When antisense DNA is used, oligodeoxyribonucleotides derived from the translation-initiation site, e.g., between about -10 and +10 positions of the target gene nucleotide sequence, are preferred.

[0471] Potential antagonists include small molecules that bind to the active site, the receptor binding site, or growth factor or other relevant binding site of the PRO polypeptide, thereby blocking the normal biological activity of the PRO polypeptide. Examples of small molecules include, but are not limited to, small peptides or peptide-like molecules, preferably soluble peptides, and synthetic non-peptidyl organic or inorganic compounds.

[0472] Ribozymes are enzymatic RNA molecules capable of catalyzing the specific cleavage of RNA. Ribozymes act by sequence-specific hybridization to the complementary target RNA, followed by endonucleolytic cleavage. Specific ribozyme cleavage sites within a potential RNA target can be identified by known techniques. For further details see, e.g., Rossi, *Current Biology*, 4:469-471 (1994), and PCT publication No. WO 97/33551 (published Sep. 18, 1997).

[0473] Nucleic acid molecules in triple-helix formation used to inhibit transcription should be single-stranded and composed of deoxynucleotides. The base composition of these oligonucleotides is designed such that it promotes triple-helix formation via Hoogsteen base-pairing rules, which generally require sizeable stretches of purines or pyrimidines on one strand of a duplex. For further details see, e.g., PCT publication No. WO 97/33551, supra.

[0474] These small molecules can be identified by any one or more of the screening assays discussed hereinabove and/or by any other screening techniques well known for those skilled in the art.

[0475] F. Anti-PRO Antibodies

[0476] The present invention further provides anti-PRO antibodies. Exemplary antibodies include polyclonal, monoclonal, humanized, bispecific, and heteroconjugate antibodies.

[0477] 1. Polyclonal Antibodies

[0478] The anti-PRO antibodies may comprise polyclonal antibodies. Methods of preparing polyclonal antibodies are known to the skilled artisan. Polyclonal antibodies can be raised in a mammal, for example, by one or more injections of an immunizing agent and, if desired, an adjuvant. Typically, the immunizing agent and/or adjuvant will be injected in the mammal by multiple subcutaneous or intraperitoneal injections. The immunizing agent may include the PRO polypeptide or a fusion protein thereof. It may be useful to conjugate the immunizing agent to a protein known to be immunogenic in the mammal being immunized. Examples of such immunogenic proteins include but are not limited to

keyhole limpet hemocyanin, serum albumin, bovine thyroglobulin, and soybean trypsin inhibitor. Examples of adjuvants which may be employed include Freund's complete adjuvant and MPL-TDM adjuvant (monophosphoryl Lipid A, synthetic trehalose dicorynomycolate). The immunization protocol may be selected by one skilled in the art without undue experimentation.

[0479] 2. Monoclonal Antibodies

[0480] The anti-PRO antibodies may, alternatively, be monoclonal antibodies. Monoclonal antibodies may be prepared using hybridoma methods, such as those described by Kohler and Milstein, *Nature*, 256:495 (1975). In a hybridoma method, a mouse, hamster, or other appropriate host animal, is typically immunized with an immunizing agent to elicit lymphocytes that produce or are capable of producing antibodies that will specifically bind to the immunizing agent. Alternatively, the lymphocytes may be immunized in vitro.

[0481] The immunizing agent will typically include the PRO polypeptide or a fusion protein thereof. Generally, either peripheral blood lymphocytes ("PBLs") are used if cells of human origin are desired, or spleen cells or lymph node cells are used if non-human mammalian sources are desired. The lymphocytes are then fused with an immortalized cell line using a suitable fusing agent, such as polyethylene glycol, to form a hybridoma cell [Goding, *Monoclonal Antibodies: Principles and Practice*, Academic Press, (1986) pp. 59-103]. Immortalized cell lines are usually transformed mammalian cells, particularly myeloma cells of rodent, bovine and human origin. Usually, rat or mouse myeloma cell lines are employed. The hybridoma cells may be cultured in a suitable culture medium that preferably contains one or more substances that inhibit the growth or survival of the unfused, immortalized cells. For example, if the parental cells lack the enzyme hypoxanthine guanine phosphoribosyl transferase (HGPRT or HPRT), the culture medium for the hybridomas typically will include hypoxanthine, aminopterin, and thymidine ("HAT medium"), which substances prevent the growth of HGPRT-deficient cells.

[0482] Preferred immortalized cell lines are those that fuse efficiently, support stable high level expression of antibody by the selected antibody-producing cells, and are sensitive to a medium such as HAT medium. More preferred immortalized cell lines are murine myeloma lines, which can be obtained, for instance, from the Salk Institute Cell Distribution Center, San Diego, Calif. and the American Type Culture Collection, Manassas, Va. Human myeloma and mouse-human heteromyeloma cell lines also have been described for the production of human monoclonal antibodies [Kozbor, *J. Immunol.*, 133:3001 (1984); Brodeur et al., *Monoclonal Antibody Production Techniques and Applications*, Marcel Dekker, Inc., New York, (1987) pp. 51-63].

[0483] The culture medium in which the hybridoma cells are cultured can then be assayed for the presence of monoclonal antibodies directed against PRO. Preferably, the binding specificity of monoclonal antibodies produced by the hybridoma cells is determined by immunoprecipitation or by an in vitro binding assay, such as radioimmunoassay (RIA) or enzyme-linked immunoabsorbent assay (ELISA). Such techniques and assays are known in the art. The binding affinity of the monoclonal antibody can, for example, be

determined by the Scatchard analysis of Munson and Polard, *Anal. Biochem.*, 107:220 (1980).

[0484] After the desired hybridoma cells are identified, the clones may be subcloned by limiting dilution procedures and grown by standard methods [Goding, *supra*]. Suitable culture media for this purpose include, for example, Dulbecco's Modified Eagle's Medium and RPMI-1640 medium. Alternatively, the hybridoma cells may be grown *in vivo* as ascites in a mammal.

[0485] The monoclonal antibodies secreted by the subclones may be isolated or purified from the culture medium or ascites fluid by conventional immunoglobulin purification procedures such as, for example, protein A-Sepharose, hydroxylapatite chromatography, gel electrophoresis, dialysis, or affinity chromatography.

[0486] The monoclonal antibodies may also be made by recombinant DNA methods, such as those described in U.S. Pat. No. 4,816,567. DNA encoding the monoclonal antibodies of the invention can be readily isolated and sequenced using conventional procedures (e.g., by using oligonucleotide probes that are capable of binding specifically to genes encoding the heavy and light chains of murine antibodies). The hybridoma cells of the invention serve as a preferred source of such DNA. Once isolated, the DNA may be placed into expression vectors, which are then transfected into host cells such as simian COS cells, Chinese hamster ovary (CHO) cells, or myeloma cells that do not otherwise produce immunoglobulin protein, to obtain the synthesis of monoclonal antibodies in the recombinant host cells. The DNA also may be modified, for example, by substituting the coding sequence for human heavy and light chain constant domains in place of the homologous murine sequences [U.S. Pat. No. 4,816,567; Morrison et al., *supra*] or by covalently joining to the immunoglobulin coding sequence all or part of the coding sequence for a non-immunoglobulin polypeptide. Such a non-immunoglobulin polypeptide can be substituted for the constant domains of an antibody of the invention, or can be substituted for the variable domains of one antigen-combining site of an antibody of the invention to create a chimeric bivalent antibody.

[0487] The antibodies may be monovalent antibodies. Methods for preparing monovalent antibodies are well known in the art. For example, one method involves recombinant expression of immunoglobulin light chain and modified heavy chain. The heavy chain is truncated generally at any point in the Fc region so as to prevent heavy chain crosslinking. Alternatively, the relevant cysteine residues are substituted with another amino acid residue or are deleted so as to prevent crosslinking.

[0488] *In vitro* methods are also suitable for preparing monovalent antibodies. Digestion of antibodies to produce fragments thereof, particularly, Fab fragments, can be accomplished using routine techniques known in the art.

[0489] 3. Human and Humanized Antibodies

[0490] The anti-PRO antibodies of the invention may further comprise humanized antibodies or human antibodies. Humanized forms of non-human (e.g., murine) antibodies are chimeric immunoglobulins, immunoglobulin chains or fragments thereof (such as Fv, Fab, Fab', F(ab')₂ or other antigen-binding subsequences of antibodies) which contain minimal sequence derived from non-human immunoglobu-

lin. Humanized antibodies include human immunoglobulins (recipient antibody) in which residues from a complementary determining region (CDR) of the recipient are replaced by residues from a CDR of a non-human species (donor antibody) such as mouse, rat or rabbit having the desired specificity, affinity and capacity. In some instances, Fv framework residues of the human immunoglobulin are replaced by corresponding non-human residues. Humanized antibodies may also comprise residues which are found neither in the recipient antibody nor in the imported CDR or framework sequences. In general, the humanized antibody will comprise substantially all of at least one, and typically two, variable domains, in which all or substantially all of the CDR regions correspond to those of a non-human immunoglobulin and all or substantially all of the FR regions are those of a human immunoglobulin consensus sequence. The humanized antibody optimally also will comprise at least a portion of an immunoglobulin constant region (Fc), typically that of a human immunoglobulin [Jones et al., *Nature*, 321:522-525 (1986); Riechmann et al., *Nature*, 332:323-329 (1988); and Presta, *Curr. Op. Struct. Biol.*, 2:593-596 (1992)].

[0491] Methods for humanizing non-human antibodies are well known in the art. Generally, a humanized antibody has one or more amino acid residues introduced into it from a source which is non-human. These non-human amino acid residues are often referred to as "import" residues, which are typically taken from an "import" variable domain. Humanization can be essentially performed following the method of Winter and co-workers [Jones et al., *Nature*, 321:522-525 (1986); Riechmann et al., *Nature*, 332:323-327 (1988); Verhoeven et al., *Science*, 239:1534-1536 (1988)], by substituting rodent CDRs or CDR sequences for the corresponding sequences of a human antibody. Accordingly, such "humanized" antibodies are chimeric antibodies (U.S. Pat. No. 4,816,567), wherein substantially less than an intact human variable domain has been substituted by the corresponding sequence from a non-human species. In practice, humanized antibodies are typically human antibodies in which some CDR residues and possibly some FR residues are substituted by residues from analogous sites in rodent antibodies.

[0492] Human antibodies can also be produced using various techniques known in the art, including phage display libraries [Hoogenboom and Winter, *J. Mol. Biol.*, 227:381 (1991); Marks et al., *J. Mol. Biol.*, 222:581 (1991)]. The techniques of Cole et al. and Boerner et al. are also available for the preparation of human monoclonal antibodies (Cole et al., *Monoclonal Antibodies and Cancer Therapy*, Alan R. Liss, p. 77 (1985) and Boerner et al., *J. Immunol.*, 147(1):86-95 (1991)]. Similarly, human antibodies can be made by introducing of human immunoglobulin loci into transgenic animals, e.g., mice in which the endogenous immunoglobulin genes have been partially or completely inactivated. Upon challenge, human antibody production is observed, which closely resembles that seen in humans in all respects, including gene rearrangement, assembly, and antibody repertoire. This approach is described, for example, in U.S. Pat. Nos. 5,545,807; 5,545,806; 5,569,825; 5,625,126; 5,633,425; 5,661,016, and in the following scientific publications: Marks et al., *Bio/Technology* 10, 779-783 (1992); Lonberg et al., *Nature* 368 856-859 (1994); Morrison, *Nature* 368, 812-13 (1994); Fishwild et al., *Nature Biotechnology* 14,

845-51 (1996); Neuberger, *Nature Biotechnology* 14, 826 (1996); Lonberg and Huszar, *Intern. Rev. Immunol.* 13 65-93 (1995).

[0493] 4. Bispecific Antibodies

[0494] Bispecific antibodies are monoclonal, preferably human or humanized, antibodies that have binding specificities for at least two different antigens. In the present case, one of the binding specificities is for the PRO, the other one is for any other antigen, and preferably for a cell-surface protein or receptor or receptor subunit.

[0495] Methods for making bispecific antibodies are known in the art. Traditionally, the recombinant production of bispecific antibodies is based on the co-expression of two immunoglobulin heavy-chain/light-chain pairs, where the two heavy chains have different specificities [Milstein and Cuello, *Nature*, 305:537-539 (1983)]. Because of the random assortment of immunoglobulin heavy and light chains, these hybridomas (quadromas) produce a potential mixture of ten different antibody molecules, of which only one has the correct bispecific structure. The purification of the correct molecule is usually accomplished by affinity chromatography steps. Similar procedures are disclosed in WO 93/08829, published May 13, 1993, and in Traunecker et al., *EMBO J.*, 10:3655-3659 (1991).

[0496] Antibody variable domains with the desired binding specificities (antibody-antigen combining sites) can be fused to immunoglobulin constant domain sequences. The fusion preferably is with an immunoglobulin heavy-chain constant domain, comprising at least part of the hinge, CH2, and CH3 regions. It is preferred to have the first heavy-chain constant region (CH1) containing the site necessary for light-chain binding present in at least one of the fusions. DNAs encoding the immunoglobulin heavy-chain fusions and, if desired, the immunoglobulin light chain, are inserted into separate expression vectors, and are co-transfected into a suitable host organism. For further details of generating bispecific antibodies see, for example, Suresh et al., *Methods in Enzymology*, 121:210 (1986).

[0497] According to another approach described in WO 96/27011, the interface between a pair of antibody molecules can be engineered to maximize the percentage of heterodimers which are recovered from recombinant cell culture. The preferred interface comprises at least a part of the CH3 region of an antibody constant domain. In this method, one or more small amino acid side chains from the interface of the first antibody molecule are replaced with larger side chains (e.g. tyrosine or tryptophan). Compensatory "cavities" of identical or similar size to the large side chain(s) are created on the interface of the second antibody molecule by replacing large amino acid side chains with smaller ones (e.g. alanine or threonine). This provides a mechanism for increasing the yield of the heterodimer over other unwanted end-products such as homodimers.

[0498] Bispecific antibodies can be prepared as full length antibodies or antibody fragments (e.g. F(ab')₂ bispecific antibodies). Techniques for generating bispecific antibodies from antibody fragments have been described in the literature. For example, bispecific antibodies can be prepared can be prepared using chemical linkage. Brennan et al., *Science* 229:81 (1985) describe a procedure wherein intact antibodies are proteolytically cleaved to generate F(ab')₂ fragments.

These fragments are reduced in the presence of the dithiol complexing agent sodium arsenite to stabilize vicinal dithiols and prevent intermolecular disulfide formation. The Fab' fragments generated are then converted to thionitrobenzoate (TNB) derivatives. One of the Fab'-TNB derivatives is then reconverted to the Fab'-thiol by reduction with mercaptoethylamine and is mixed with an equimolar amount of the other Fab'-TNB derivative to form the bispecific antibody. The bispecific antibodies produced can be used as agents for the selective immobilization of enzymes.

[0499] Fab' fragments may be directly recovered from *E. coli* and chemically coupled to form bispecific antibodies. Shalaby et al., *J. Exp. Med.* 175:217-225 (1992) describe the production of a fully humanized bispecific antibody F(ab')₂ molecule. Each Fab' fragment was separately secreted from *E. coli* and subjected to directed chemical coupling in vitro to form the bispecific antibody. The bispecific antibody thus formed was able to bind to cells overexpressing the ErbB2 receptor and normal human T cells, as well as trigger the lytic activity of human cytotoxic lymphocytes against human breast tumor targets.

[0500] Various technique for making and isolating bispecific antibody fragments directly from recombinant cell culture have also been described. For example, bispecific antibodies have been produced using leucine zippers. Kostelny et al., *J. Immunol.* 148(5):1547-1553 (1992). The leucine zipper peptides from the Fos and Jun proteins were linked to the Fab' portions of two different antibodies by gene fusion. The antibody homodimers were reduced at the hinge region to form monomers and then re-oxidized to form the antibody heterodimers. This method can also be utilized for the production of antibody homodimers. The "diabody" technology described by Hollinger et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 90:6444-6448 (1993) has provided an alternative mechanism for making bispecific antibody fragments. The fragments comprise a heavy-chain variable domain (V_H) connected to a light-chain variable domain (V_L) by a linker which is too short to allow pairing between the two domains on the same chain. Accordingly, the V_H and V_L domains of one fragment are forced to pair with the complementary V_L and V_H domains of another fragment, thereby forming two antigen-binding sites. Another strategy for making bispecific antibody fragments by the use of single-chain Fv (scFv) dimers has also been reported. See, Gruber et al., *J. Immunol.* 152:5368 (1994). Antibodies with more than two valencies are contemplated. For example, trispecific antibodies can be prepared. Tutt et al., *J. Immunol.* 147:60 (1991).

[0501] Exemplary bispecific antibodies may bind to two different epitopes on a given PRO polypeptide herein. Alternatively, an anti-PRO polypeptide arm may be combined with an arm which binds to a triggering molecule on a leukocyte such as a T-cell receptor molecule (e.g. CD2, CD3, CD28, or B7), or Fc receptors for IgG (FcγR), such as FcγRI (CD64), FcγRII (CD32) and FcγRIII (CD16) so as to focus cellular defense mechanisms to the cell expressing the particular PRO polypeptide. Bispecific antibodies may also be used to localize cytotoxic agents to cells which express a particular PRO polypeptide. These antibodies possess a PRO-binding arm and an arm which binds a cytotoxic agent or a radionuclide chelator, such as EOTUBE, DPTA, DOTA, or TETA. Another bispecific antibody of interest binds the PRO polypeptide and further binds tissue factor (TF).

[0502] 5. Heteroconjugate Antibodies

[0503] Heteroconjugate antibodies are also within the scope of the present invention. Heteroconjugate antibodies are composed of two covalently joined antibodies. Such antibodies have, for example, been proposed to target immune system cells to unwanted cells [U.S. Pat. No. 4,676,980], and for treatment of HIV infection [WO 91/00360; WO 92/200373; EP 03089]. It is contemplated that the antibodies may be prepared in vitro using known methods in synthetic protein chemistry, including those involving crosslinking agents. For example, immunotoxins may be constructed using a disulfide exchange reaction or by forming a thioether bond. Examples of suitable reagents for this purpose include iminothiolate and methyl-4-mercaptobutyrimidate and those disclosed, for example, in U.S. Pat. No. 4,676,980.

[0504] 6. Effector Function Engineering

[0505] It may be desirable to modify the antibody of the invention with respect to effector function, so as to enhance, e.g., the effectiveness of the antibody in treating cancer. For example, cysteine residue(s) may be introduced into the Fc region, thereby allowing interchain disulfide bond formation in this region. The homodimeric antibody thus generated may have improved internalization capability and/or increased complement-mediated cell killing and antibody-dependent cellular cytotoxicity (ADCC). See Caron et al., *J. Exp. Med.*, 176: 1191-1195 (1992) and Shopes, *J. Immunol.*, 148: 2918-2922 (1992). Homodimeric antibodies with enhanced anti-tumor activity may also be prepared using heterobifunctional cross-linkers as described in Wolff et al. *Cancer Research*, 53: 2560-2565 (1993). Alternatively, an antibody can be engineered that has dual Fc regions and may thereby have enhanced complement lysis and ADCC capabilities. See Stevenson et al., *Anti-Cancer Drug Design*, 3: 219-230 (1989).

[0506] 7. Immunoconjugates

[0507] The invention also pertains to immunoconjugates comprising an antibody conjugated to a cytotoxic agent such as a chemotherapeutic agent, toxin (e.g., an enzymatically active toxin of bacterial, fungal, plant, or animal origin, or fragments thereof), or a radioactive isotope (i.e., a radioconjugate).

[0508] Chemotherapeutic agents useful in the generation of such immunoconjugates have been described above. Enzymatically active toxins and fragments thereof that can be used include diphtheria A chain, nonbinding active fragments of diphtheria toxin, exotoxin A chain (from *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*), ricin A chain, abrin A chain, modeccin A chain, alpha-sarcin, *Aleurites fordii* proteins, dianthin proteins, *Phytolaca americana* proteins (PAPI, PAPII, and PAP-S), momordica charantia inhibitor, curcin, crotin, sapaonaria officinalis inhibitor, gelonin, mitogellin, restrictocin, phenomycin, enomycin, and the tricothecenes. A variety of radionuclides are available for the production of radioconjugated antibodies. Examples include ^{212}Bi , ^{131}I , ^{131}In , ^{90}Y , and ^{186}Re .

[0509] Conjugates of the antibody and cytotoxic agent are made using a variety of bifunctional protein-coupling agents such as N-succinimidyl-3-(2-pyridyldithiol) propionate (SPDP), iminothiolane (IT), bifunctional derivatives of imidoesters (such as dimethyl adipimidate HCL), active esters

(such as disuccinimidyl suberate), aldehydes (such as glutaraldehyde), bis-azido compounds (such as bis (p-azido-benzoyl) hexanediamine), bis-diazonium derivatives (such as bis-(p-diazoniumbenzoyl)-ethylenediamine), diisocyanates (such as tolyene 2,6-diisocyanate), and bis-active fluorine compounds (such as 1,5-difluoro-2,4-dinitrobenzene). For example, a ricin immunotoxin can be prepared as described in Vitetta et al., *Science*, 238: 1098 (1987). Carbon-14-labeled 1-isothiocyanatobenzyl-3-methyldiethylene triaminepentaacetic acid (MX-DTPA) is an exemplary chelating agent for conjugation of radionucleotide to the antibody. See WO94/11026.

[0510] In another embodiment, the antibody may be conjugated to a "receptor" (such streptavidin) for utilization in tumor pretargeting wherein the antibody-receptor conjugate is administered to the patient, followed by removal of unbound conjugate from the circulation using a clearing agent and then administration of a "ligand" (e.g., avidin) that is conjugated to a cytotoxic agent (e.g., a radionucleotide).

[0511] 8. Immunoliposomes

[0512] The antibodies disclosed herein may also be formulated as immunoliposomes. Liposomes containing the antibody are prepared by methods known in the art, such as described in Epstein et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*, 82: 3688 (1985); Hwang et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*, 77: 4030 (1980); and U.S. Pat. Nos. 4,485,045 and 4,544,545. Liposomes with enhanced circulation time are disclosed in U.S. Pat. No. 5,013,556.

[0513] Particularly useful liposomes can be generated by the reverse-phase evaporation method with a lipid composition comprising phosphatidylcholine, cholesterol, and PEG-derivatized phosphatidylethanolamine (PEG-PE). Liposomes are extruded through filters of defined pore size to yield liposomes with the desired diameter. Fab' fragments of the antibody of the present invention can be conjugated to the liposomes as described in Martin et al., *J. Biol. Chem.*, 257: 286-288 (1982) via a disulfide-interchange reaction. A chemotherapeutic agent (such as Doxorubicin) is optionally contained within the liposome. See Gabizon et al., *J. National Cancer Inst.* 81(19): 1484 (1989).

[0514] 9. Pharmaceutical Compositions of Antibodies

[0515] Antibodies specifically binding a PRO polypeptide identified herein, as well as other molecules identified by the screening assays disclosed hereinbefore, can be administered for the treatment of various disorders in the form of pharmaceutical compositions.

[0516] If the PRO polypeptide is intracellular and whole antibodies are used as inhibitors, internalizing antibodies are preferred. However, lipofections or liposomes can also be used to deliver the antibody, or an antibody fragment, into cells. Where antibody fragments are used, the smallest inhibitory fragment that specifically binds to the binding domain of the target protein is preferred. For example, based upon the variable-region sequences of an antibody, peptide molecules can be designed that retain the ability to bind the target protein sequence. Such peptides can be synthesized chemically and/or produced by recombinant DNA technology. See, e.g., Marasco et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*, 90: 7889-7893 (1993). The formulation herein may also contain more than one active compound as necessary for the particular indication being treated, preferably those with complementary activities that do not adversely affect each

other. Alternatively, or in addition, the composition may comprise an agent that enhances its function, such as, for example, a cytotoxic agent, cytokine, chemotherapeutic agent, or growth-inhibitory agent. Such molecules are suitably present in combination in amounts that are effective for the purpose intended.

[0517] The active ingredients may also be entrapped in microcapsules prepared, for example, by coacervation techniques or by interfacial polymerization, for example, hydroxymethylcellulose or gelatin-microcapsules and poly-(methylmethacrylate) microcapsules, respectively, in colloidal drug delivery systems (for example, liposomes, albumin microspheres, microemulsions, nano-particles, and nano-capsules) or in macroemulsions. Such techniques are disclosed in Remington's *Pharmaceutical Sciences*, supra.

[0518] The formulations to be used for in vivo administration must be sterile. This is readily accomplished by filtration through sterile filtration membranes.

[0519] Sustained-release preparations may be prepared. Suitable examples of sustained-release preparations include semipermeable matrices of solid hydrophobic polymers containing the antibody, which matrices are in the form of shaped articles, e.g., films, or microcapsules. Examples of sustained-release matrices include polyesters, hydrogels (for example, poly(2-hydroxyethyl-methacrylate), or poly(vinylalcohol)), polylactides (U.S. Pat. No. 3,773,919), copolymers of L-glutamic acid and γ ethyl-L-glutamate, non-degradable ethylene-vinyl acetate, degradable lactic acid-glycolic acid copolymers such as the LUPRON DEPOTTM (injectable microspheres composed of lactic acid-glycolic acid copolymer and leuprolide acetate), and poly-D-(-)-3-hydroxybutyric acid. While polymers such as ethylene-vinyl acetate and lactic acid-glycolic acid enable release of molecules for over 100 days, certain hydrogels release proteins for shorter time periods. When encapsulated antibodies remain in the body for a long time, they may denature or aggregate as a result of exposure to moisture at 37° C., resulting in a loss of biological activity and possible changes in immunogenicity. Rational strategies can be devised for stabilization depending on the mechanism involved. For example, if the aggregation mechanism is discovered to be intermolecular S-S bond formation through thio-disulfide interchange, stabilization may be achieved by modifying sulfhydryl residues, lyophilizing from acidic solutions, controlling moisture content, using appropriate additives, and developing specific polymer matrix compositions.

[0520] G. Uses for Anti-PRO Antibodies

[0521] The anti-PRO antibodies of the invention have various utilities. For example, anti-PRO antibodies may be used in diagnostic assays for PRO, e.g., detecting its expression in specific cells, tissues, or serum. Various diagnostic assay techniques known in the art may be used, such as competitive binding assays, direct or indirect sandwich assays and immunoprecipitation assays conducted in either heterogeneous or homogeneous phases [Zola, *Monoclonal Antibodies: A Manual of Techniques*, CRC Press, Inc. (1987) pp. 147-158]. The antibodies used in the diagnostic assays can be labeled with a detectable moiety. The detectable moiety should be capable of producing, either directly or indirectly, a detectable signal. For example, the detectable moiety may be a radioisotope, such as ³H, ¹⁴C, ³²P, ³⁵S, or ¹²⁵I, a fluorescent or chemiluminescent compound, such as

fluorescein isothiocyanate, rhodamine, or luciferin, or an enzyme, such as alkaline phosphatase, beta-galactosidase or horseradish peroxidase. Any method known in the art for conjugating the antibody to the detectable moiety may be employed, including those methods described by Hunter et al., *Nature*, 144:945 (1962); David et al., *Biochemistry*, 13:1014 (1974); Pain et al., *J. Immunol. Meth.*, 40:219 (1981); and Nygren, *J. Histochem. and Cytochem.*, 30:407 (1982).

[0522] Anti-PRO antibodies also are useful for the affinity purification of PRO from recombinant cell culture or natural sources. In this process, the antibodies against PRO are immobilized on a suitable support, such as a Sephadex resin or filter paper, using methods well known in the art. The immobilized antibody then is contacted with a sample containing the PRO to be purified, and thereafter the support is washed with a suitable solvent that will remove substantially all the material in the sample except the PRO, which is bound to the immobilized antibody. Finally, the support is washed with another suitable solvent that will release the PRO from the antibody.

[0523] The following examples are offered for illustrative purposes only, and are not intended to limit the scope of the present invention in any way.

[0524] All patent and literature references cited in the present specification are hereby incorporated by reference in their entirety.

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[0525] Commercially available reagents referred to in the examples were used according to manufacturer's instructions unless otherwise indicated. The source of those cells identified in the following examples, and throughout the specification, by ATCC accession numbers is the American Type Culture Collection, Manassas, Va.

Example 1

[0526] Extracellular Domain Homology Screening to Identify Novel Polypeptides and cDNA Encoding Therefor

[0527] The extracellular domain (ECD) sequences (including the secretion signal sequence, if any) from about 950 known secreted proteins from the Swiss-Prot public database were used to search EST databases. The EST databases included public databases (e.g., Dayhoff, GenBank), and proprietary databases (e.g. LIFESEQTM, Incyte Pharmaceuticals, Palo Alto, Calif.). The search was performed using the computer program BLAST or BLAST-2 (Altschul et al., *Methods in Enzymology* 266:460-480 (1996)) as a comparison of the ECD protein sequences to a 6 frame translation of the EST sequences. Those comparisons with a BLAST score of 70 (or in some cases 90) or greater that did not encode known proteins were clustered and assembled into consensus DNA sequences with the program "phrap" (Phil Green, University of Washington, Seattle, Wash).

[0528] Using this extracellular domain homology screen, consensus DNA sequences were assembled relative to the other identified EST sequences using phrap. In addition, the consensus DNA sequences obtained were often (but not always) extended using repeated cycles of BLAST or

BLAST-2 and phrap to extend the consensus sequence as far as possible using the sources of EST sequences discussed above.

[0529] Based upon the consensus sequences obtained as described above, oligonucleotides were then synthesized and used to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest and for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence for a PRO polypeptide. Forward and reverse PCR primers generally range from 20 to 30 nucleotides and are often designed to give a PCR product of about 100-1000 bp in length. The probe sequences are typically 40-55 bp in length. In some cases, additional oligonucleotides are synthesized when the consensus sequence is greater than about 1-1.5 kbp. In order to screen several libraries for a full-length clone, DNA from the libraries was screened by PCR amplification, as per Ausubel et al., *Current Protocols in Molecular Biology*, with the PCR primer pair. A positive library was then used to isolate clones encoding the gene of interest using the probe oligonucleotide and one of the primer pairs.

[0530] The cDNA libraries used to isolate the cDNA clones were constructed by standard methods using commercially available reagents such as those from Invitrogen, San Diego, Calif. The cDNA was primed with oligo dT containing a NotI site, linked with blunt to SalI hemikinased adaptors, cleaved with NotI, sized appropriately by gel electrophoresis, and cloned in a defined orientation into a suitable cloning vector (such as pRKB or pRKD; pRK5B is a precursor of pRK5D that does not contain the SfiI site; see, Holmes et al., *Science*, 253:1278-1280 (1991)) in the unique XhoI and NotI sites.

Example 2

[0531] Isolation of cDNA Clones by Amylase Screening

[0532] 1. Preparation of Oligo dT Primed cDNA Library

[0533] mRNA was isolated from a human tissue of interest using reagents and protocols from Invitrogen, San Diego, Calif. (Fast Track 2). This RNA was used to generate an oligo dT primed cDNA library in the vector pRK5D using reagents and protocols from Life Technologies, Gaithersburg, Md. (Super Script Plasmid System). In this procedure, the double stranded cDNA was sized to greater than 1000 bp and the SalI/NotI linked cDNA was cloned into XhoI/NotI cleaved vector. pRK5D is a cloning vector that has an sp6 transcription initiation site followed by an SfiI restriction enzyme site preceding the XhoI/NotI cDNA cloning sites.

[0534] 2. Preparation of Random Primed cDNA Library

[0535] A secondary cDNA library was generated in order to preferentially represent the 5' ends of the primary cDNA clones. Sp6 RNA was generated from the primary library (described above), and this RNA was used to generate a random primed cDNA library in the vector pSST-AMY.0 using reagents and protocols from Life Technologies (Super Script Plasmid System, referenced above). In this procedure the double stranded cDNA was sized to 500-1000 bp, linked with blunt to NotI adaptors, cleaved with SfiI, and cloned into SfiI/NotI cleaved vector. pSST-AMY.0 is a cloning vector that has a yeast alcohol dehydrogenase promoter preceding the cDNA cloning sites and the mouse amylase sequence (the mature sequence without the secretion signal) followed by the yeast alcohol dehydrogenase

terminator, after the cloning sites. Thus, cDNAs cloned into this vector that are fused in frame with amylase sequence will lead to the secretion of amylase from appropriately transfected yeast colonies.

[0536] 3. Transformation and Detection

[0537] DNA from the library described in paragraph 2 above was chilled on ice to which was added electrocompetent DH10B bacteria (Life Technologies, 20 ml). The bacteria and vector mixture was then electroporated as recommended by the manufacturer. Subsequently, SOC media (Life Technologies, 1 ml) was added and the mixture was incubated at 37° C. for 30 minutes. The transformants were then plated onto 20 standard 150 mm LB plates containing ampicillin and incubated for 16 hours (37° C.). Positive colonies were scraped off the plates and the DNA was isolated from the bacterial pellet using standard protocols, e.g. CsCl-gradient. The purified DNA was then carried on to the yeast protocols below.

[0538] The yeast methods were divided into three categories: (1) Transformation of yeast with the plasmid/cDNA combined vector; (2) Detection and isolation of yeast clones secreting amylase; and (3) PCR amplification of the insert directly from the yeast colony and purification of the DNA for sequencing and further analysis.

[0539] The yeast strain used was HD56-5A (ATCC-90785). This strain has the following genotype: MAT alpha, ura3-52, leu2-3, leu2-112, his3-11, his3-15, MAL⁺, SUC⁺, GAL⁺. Preferably, yeast mutants can be employed that have deficient post-translational pathways. Such mutants may have translocation deficient alleles in sec71, sec72, sec62, with truncated sec71 being most preferred. Alternatively, antagonists (including antisense nucleotides and/or ligands) which interfere with the normal operation of these genes, other proteins implicated in this post translation pathway (e.g., SEC61p, SEC72p, SEC62p, SEC63p, TDJ1p or SSA1p-4p) or the complex formation of these proteins may also be preferably employed in combination with the amylase-expressing yeast.

[0540] Transformation was performed based on the protocol outlined by Gietz et al., *Nucl. Acid. Res.*, 20:1425 (1992). Transformed cells were then inoculated from agar into YEPD complex media broth (100 ml) and grown overnight at 30° C. The YEPD broth was prepared as described in Kaiser et al., *Methods in Yeast Genetics*, Cold Spring Harbor Press, Cold Spring Harbor, N.Y., p. 207 (1994). The overnight culture was then diluted to about 2×10⁶ cells/ml (approx. OD₆₀₀=0.1) into fresh YEPD broth (500 ml) and regrown to 1×10⁷ cells/ml (approx. OD₆₀₀=0.4-0.5).

[0541] The cells were then harvested and prepared for transformation by transfer into GS3 rotor bottles in a Sorval GS3 rotor at 5,000 rpm for 5 minutes, the supernatant discarded, and then resuspended into sterile water, and centrifuged again in 50 ml falcon tubes at 3,500 rpm in a Beckman GS-6KR centrifuge. The supernatant was discarded and the cells were subsequently washed with LiAc/TE (10 ml, 10 mM Tris-HCl, 1 mM EDTA pH 7.5, 100 mM Li₂OOCCH₃), and resuspended into LiAc/TE (2.5 ml).

[0542] Transformation took place by mixing the prepared cells (100 μl) with freshly denatured single stranded salmon testes DNA (Lofstrand Labs, Gaithersburg, Md.) and trans-

forming DNA (1 μ g, vol. <10 μ l) in microfuge tubes. The mixture was mixed briefly by vortexing, then 40% PEG/TE (600 μ l, 40% polyethylene glycol-4000, 10 mM Tris-HCl, 1 mM EDTA, 100 mM Li₂OOCCH₃, pH 7.5) was added. This mixture was gently mixed and incubated at 30° C. while agitating for 30 minutes. The cells were then heat shocked at 42° C. for 15 minutes, and the reaction vessel centrifuged in a microfuge at 12,000 rpm for 5-10 seconds, decanted and resuspended into TE (500 μ l, 10 mM Tris-HCl, 1 mM EDTA pH 7.5) followed by recentrifugation. The cells were then diluted into TE (1 ml) and aliquots (200 μ l) were spread onto the selective media previously prepared in 150 mm growth plates (VWR).

[0543] Alternatively, instead of multiple small reactions, the transformation was performed using a single, large scale reaction, wherein reagent amounts were scaled up accordingly.

[0544] The selective media used was a synthetic complete dextrose agar lacking uracil (SCD-Ura) prepared as described in Kaiser et al., *Methods in Yeast Genetics*, Cold Spring Harbor Press, Cold Spring Harbor, N.Y., p. 208-210 (1994). Transformants were grown at 30° C. for 2-3 days.

[0545] The detection of colonies secreting amylase was performed by including red starch in the selective growth media. Starch was coupled to the red dye (Reactive Red-120, Sigma) as per the procedure described by Biely et al., *Anal. Biochem.*, 172:176-179 (1988). The coupled starch was incorporated into the SCD-Ura agar plates at a final concentration of 0.15% (w/v), and was buffered with potassium phosphate to a pH of 7.0 (50-100 mM final concentration).

[0546] The positive colonies were picked and streaked across fresh selective media (onto 150 mm plates) in order to obtain well isolated and identifiable single colonies. Well isolated single colonies positive for amylase secretion were detected by direct incorporation of red starch into buffered SCD-Ura agar. Positive colonies were determined by their ability to break down starch resulting in a clear halo around the positive colony visualized directly.

[0547] 4. Isolation of DNA by PCR Amplification

[0548] When a positive colony was isolated, a portion of it was picked by a toothpick and diluted into sterile water (30 μ l) in a 96 well plate. At this time, the positive colonies were either frozen and stored for subsequent analysis or immediately amplified. An aliquot of cells (5 μ l) was used as a template for the PCR reaction in a 25 μ l volume containing: 0.5 μ l KlenTaq (Clontech, Palo Alto, Calif.); 4.0 μ l 10 mM dNTP's (Perkin Elmer-Cetus); 2.5 μ l Kentaq buffer (Clontech); 0.25 μ l forward oligo 1; 0.25 μ l reverse oligo 2; 12.5 μ l distilled water.

The sequence of the forward oligonucleotide 1 was:
(SEQ ID NO:25)
5'-TGTAACACGACGGCCAGTTAAATAGACCTGCAATTATTAACTCT-3'

The sequence of reverse oligonucleotide 2 was:
(SEQ ID NO:26)
5'-CAGGAACAGCTATGACCACCTGCACACCTGCAAAATCCATT-3'

[0549]

PCR was then performed as follows:				
a.		Denature	92° C.,	5 minutes
b.	3 cycles of:	Denature	92° C.,	30 seconds
		Anneal	59° C.,	30 seconds
		Extend	72° C.,	60 seconds
c.	3 cycles of:	Denature	92° C.,	30 seconds
		Anneal	57° C.,	30 seconds
		Extend	72° C.,	60 seconds
d.	25 cycles of:	Denature	92° C.,	30 seconds
		Anneal	55° C.,	30 seconds
		Extend	72° C.,	60 seconds
e.		Hold	4° C.	

[0550] The underlined regions of the oligonucleotides annealed to the ADH promoter region and the amylase region, respectively, and amplified a 307 bp region from vector pSST-AMY.0 when no insert was present. Typically, the first 18 nucleotides of the 5' end of these oligonucleotides contained annealing sites for the sequencing primers. Thus, the total product of the PCR reaction from an empty vector was 343 bp. However, signal sequence-fused cDNA resulted in considerably longer nucleotide sequences.

[0551] Following the PCR, an aliquot of the reaction (5 μ l) was examined by agarose gel electrophoresis in a 1% agarose gel using a Tris-Borate-EDTA (TBE) buffering system as described by Sambrook et al., supra. Clones resulting in a single strong PCR product larger than 400 bp were further analyzed by DNA sequencing after purification with a 96 Qiaquick PCR clean-up column (Qiagen Inc., Chatsworth, Calif.).

Example 3

[0552] Isolation of cDNA Clones Using Signal Algorithm Analysis

[0553] Various polypeptide-encoding nucleic acid sequences were identified by applying a proprietary signal sequence finding algorithm developed by Genentech, Inc. (South San Francisco, Calif.) upon ESTs as well as clustered and assembled EST fragments from public (e.g., GenBank) and/or private (LIFESEQ®, Incyte Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Palo Alto, Calif.) databases. The signal sequence algorithm computes a secretion signal score based on the character of the DNA nucleotides surrounding the first and optionally the second methionine codon(s) (ATG) at the 5'-end of the sequence or sequence fragment under consideration. The nucleotides following the first ATG must code for at least 35 unambiguous amino acids without any stop codons. If the first ATG has the required amino acids, the second is not examined. If neither meets the requirement, the candidate sequence is not scored. In order to determine whether the EST sequence contains an authentic signal sequence, the DNA and corresponding amino acid sequences surrounding the ATG codon are scored using a set of seven sensors (evaluation parameters) known to be associated with secretion signals. Use of this algorithm resulted in the identification of numerous polypeptide-encoding nucleic acid sequences.

Example 4

[0554] Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO1800

[0555] A consensus DNA sequence was assembled relative to other EST sequences using phrap as described in Example 1 above. This consensus sequence is herein designated DNA30934. Based on the DNA30934 consensus sequence, oligonucleotides were synthesized: 1) to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest, and 2) for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence for PRO1800.

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PCR primers (forward and reverse)
were synthesized:
forward PCR primer (30934.f1)
5'-GCATAATGGATGTCAGTGG-3' (SEQ ID NO:3)

reverse PCR primer (30934.r1)
5'-AGAACATCCTGCTGAAAGCTAG-3' (SEQ ID NO:4)
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[0556] Additionally, a synthetic oligonucleotide hybridization probe was constructed from the consensus DNA30934 sequence which had the following nucleotide sequence

[0557] hybridization probe (30934.p1)

[0558] 5'-GAAACGAGGAGGCGGCTCAGTGGT-GATCGTGTCTTCCATAGCAGCC-3' (SEQ ID NO:5)

[0559] RNA for construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated from human fetal liver tissue. DNA sequencing of the clones isolated as described above gave the full-length DNA sequence for PRO1800 (designated herein as DNA35672-2508 [FIG. 1, SEQ ID NO:1]; and the derived protein sequence for PRO1800.

[0560] The entire nucleotide sequence of DNA35672-2508 is shown in FIG. 1 (SEQ ID NO:1). Clone DNA35672-2508 contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 36-38 and ending at the stop codon at nucleotide positions 870-872 (FIG. 1). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 278 amino acids long (FIG. 2). The full-length PRO1800 protein shown in FIG. 2 has an estimated molecular weight of about 29,537 daltons and a pI of about 8.97. Analysis of the full-length PRO1800 sequence shown in FIG. 2 (SEQ ID NO:2) evidences the presence of the following: a signal peptide from about amino acid 1 to about amino acid 15, a potential N-glycosylation site from about amino acid 183 to about amino acid 186, potential N-myristoylation sites from about amino acid 43 to about amino acid 48, from about amino acid 80 to about amino acid 85, from about amino acid 191 to about amino acid 196, from about amino acid 213 to about amino acid 218 and from about amino acid 272 to about amino acid 277 and a microbodies C-terminal targeting signal from about amino acid 276 to about amino acid 278. Clone DNA35672-2508 has been deposited with ATCC on Dec. 15, 1998 and is assigned ATCC deposit no. 203538.

[0561] An analysis of the Dayhoff database (version 35.45 SwissProt 35), using a WU-BLAST2 sequence alignment analysis of the full-length sequence shown in FIG. 2 (SEQ ID NO:2), evidenced significant homology between the PRO1800 amino acid sequence and the following Dayhoff

sequences: HE27_HUMAN, CELF36H9_1, CEF54F3_3, A69621, AP000007_227, UCPA_ECOLI, F69868, Y4LA_RHISN, DHK2_STRVN and DHG1_BACME.

Example 5

[0562] Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO539

[0563] A consensus DNA sequence was assembled relative to other EST sequences using phrap as described in Example 1. This consensus sequence is herein designated DNA41882. Based on the DNA41882 consensus sequence shown, oligonucleotides were synthesized: 1) to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest, and 2) for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence for PRO539.

[0564] RNA for construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated from human fetal kidney tissue. DNA sequencing of the clones isolated as described above gave the full-length DNA sequence for PRO539 (designated herein as DNA47465-1561 [FIG. 3, SEQ ID NO:6]; and the derived protein sequence for PRO539.

[0565] The entire nucleotide sequence of DNA47465-1561 is shown in FIG. 3 (SEQ ID NO:6). Clone DNA47465-1561 contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 186-188 and ending at the stop codon at nucleotide positions 2676-2678 (FIG. 3). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 830 amino acids long (FIG. 4). The full-length PRO539 protein shown in FIG. 4 has an estimated molecular weight of about 95,029 daltons and a pI of about 8.26. Analysis of the full-length PRO539 sequence shown in FIG. 4 (SEQ ID NO:7) evidences the presence of the following: leucine zipper pattern sequences from about amino acid 557 to about amino acid 578 and from about amino acid 794 to about amino acid 815, potential N-glycosylation sites from about amino acid 133 to about amino acid 136 and from about amino acid 383 to about amino acid 386 and a kinesin-related protein Kif-4 coiled coil domain from about amino acid 231 to about amino acid 672. Clone DNA47465-1561 has been deposited with ATCC on Feb. 9, 1999 and is assigned ATCC deposit no. 203661.

[0566] An analysis of the Dayhoff database (version 35.45 SwissProt 35), using a WU-BLAST2 sequence alignment analysis of the full-length sequence shown in FIG. 4 (SEQ ID NO:7), evidenced homology between the PRO539 amino acid sequence and the following Dayhoff sequences: AF019250_1, KIF4_MOUSE, TRHY_HUMAN, A56514, G02520, MYSP_HUMAN, AF041382_1, A45592, HS125H2_1 and HS6802_2.

Example 6

[0567] Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO982

[0568] Use of the signal sequence algorithm described in Example 3 above allowed identification of a single Incyte EST sequence designated herein as Incyte EST cluster sequence no. 43715. This EST sequence was compared to a variety of EST databases which included public EST databases (e.g., GenBank) and a proprietary EST DNA database (LIFESEQ™, Incyte Pharmaceuticals, Palo Alto, Calif.) to identify existing homologies. The homology search was performed using the computer program BLAST or BLAST2 (Altschul et al., *Methods in Enzymology* 266:460-480 (1996)). Those comparisons resulting in a BLAST score of 70 (or in some cases 90) or greater that did not encode

known proteins were clustered and assembled into a consensus DNA sequence with the program "phrap" (Phil Green, University of Washington, Seattle, Wash.). The consensus sequence obtained therefrom is designated DNA56095.

[0569] In light of an observed sequence homology between DNA56095 and Merck EST no. AA024389, Merck EST clone AA024389 was obtained and sequenced. The sequence, designated DNA57700-1408 (SEQ ID NO:8), is shown in FIG. 5. It is the full-length DNA sequence for PRO982.

[0570] The full length clone shown in FIG. 5 contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 26-28 and ending at the stop codon found at nucleotide positions 401-403 (SEQ ID NO:8). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 125 amino acids long, has a calculated molecular weight of approximately 14,198 daltons and an estimated pI of approximately 9.01. Analysis of the full-length PRO982 sequence shown in FIG. 6 (SEQ ID NO:9) evidences the presence of a signal peptide from about amino acid 1 to about amino acid 21 and potential anaphylatoxin domain from about amino acid 50 to about amino acid 59. An analysis of the Dayhoff database (version 35.45 SwissProt 35) evidenced homology between the PRO982 amino acid sequence and the following Dayhoff sequences: RNTMDCV_1; A48151; WAP_RAT; S24596; A53640; MT4_HUMAN; U93486_1; SYNBLGFG_1; P_R49917; and P_R41880. Clone DNA57700-1408 was deposited with the ATCC on Jan. 12, 1999 and is assigned ATCC deposit no. 203583.

Example 7

[0571] Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO1434

[0572] A consensus DNA sequence was assembled relative to other EST sequences using phrap as described in Example 1 above. This consensus sequence is herein designated DNA54187. Based on the DNA54187 consensus sequence, oligonucleotides were synthesized: 1) to identify by PCR a cDNA library that contained the sequence of interest, and 2) for use as probes to isolate a clone of the full-length coding sequence for PRO1434.

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PCR primers (forward and reverse)
were synthesized:
forward PCR primer
5'-GAGGTGTCGCTGTGAAGCCAACGG-3' (SEQ ID NO:12)

reverse PCR primer
5'-CGCTCGATTCTCCATGTGCCTTCC-3' (SEQ ID NO:13)
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[0573] Additionally, a synthetic oligonucleotide hybridization probe was constructed from the consensus DNA54187 sequence which had the following nucleotide sequence

[0574] hybridization probe

[0575] 5'-GACGGAGTGTGTGGACCCTGTG-TACGAGCCTGATCAGTGCTGTCC-3' (SEQ ID NO:14)

[0576] RNA for construction of the cDNA libraries was isolated from human retina tissue (LIB94). DNA sequencing

of the clones isolated as described above gave the full-length DNA sequence for PRO1434 (designated herein as DNA68818-2536 [FIG. 7, SEQ ID NO:10]; and the derived protein sequence for PRO1434.

[0577] The entire nucleotide sequence of DNA68818-2536 is shown in FIG. 7 (SEQ ID NO:10). Clone DNA68818-2536 contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 581-583 and ending at the stop codon at nucleotide positions 1556-1558 (FIG. 7). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 325 amino acids long (FIG. 8). The full-length PRO1434 protein shown in FIG. 8 has an estimated molecular weight of about 35,296 daltons and a pI of about 5.37. Analysis of the full-length PRO1434 sequence shown in FIG. 8 (SEQ ID NO:11) evidences the presence of a variety of important protein domains as shown in FIG. 8. Clone DNA68818-2536 has been deposited with ATCC on Feb. 9, 1999 and is assigned ATCC deposit no. 203657.

[0578] An analysis of the Dayhoff database (version 35.45 SwissProt 35), using a WU-BLAST2 sequence alignment analysis of the full-length sequence shown in FIG. 8 (SEQ ID NO:11), evidenced significant homology between the PRO1434 amino acid sequence and the following Dayhoff sequences: NEL_MOUSE, APMU_PIG, P_W37501, NEL_RAT, TSP1_CHICK, P_W37500, NEL2_HUMAN, MMU010792_1, D86983_1 and 10 MUCS_BOVIN.

Example 8

[0579] Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO1863

[0580] Use of the signal sequence algorithm described in Example 3 above allowed identification of an EST cluster sequence from the Incyte database, designated Incyte EST cluster sequence no. 82468. This EST cluster sequence was then compared to a variety of expressed sequence tag (EST) databases which included public EST databases (e.g., GenBank) and a proprietary EST DNA database (Lifeseq®, Incyte Pharmaceuticals, Palo Alto, Calif.) to identify existing homologies. The homology search was performed using the computer program BLAST or BLAST2 (Altschul et al., *Methods in Enzymology* 266:460-480 (1996)). Those comparisons resulting in a BLAST score of 70 (or in some cases 90) or greater that did not encode known proteins were clustered and assembled into a consensus DNA sequence with the program "phrap" (Phil Green, University of Washington, Seattle, Wash.). The consensus sequence obtained therefrom is herein designated DNA56029.

[0581] In light of the sequence homology between the DNA56029 sequence and an EST sequence contained within the Incyte EST clone no. 2186536, the Incyte EST clone no. 2186536 was purchased and the cDNA insert was obtained and sequenced. The sequence of this cDNA insert is shown in FIG. 9 and is herein designated as DNA59847-2510.

[0582] Clone DNA59847-2510 contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 17-19 and ending at the stop codon at nucleotide positions 1328-1330 (FIG. 9). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 437 amino acids long (FIG. 10). The full-length PRO1863 protein shown in FIG. 10 has an estimated molecular weight of about 46,363 daltons and a pI of about 6.22. Analysis of the full-length PRO1863 sequence

shown in **FIG. 10** (SEQ ID NO:16) evidences the presence of the following: a signal peptide from about amino acid 1 to about amino acid 15, a transmembrane domain from about amino acid 243 to about amino acid 260, potential N-glycosylation sites from about amino acid 46 to about amino acid 49, from about amino acid 189 to about amino acid 192 and from about amino acid 382 to about amino acid 385, glycosaminoglycan attachment sites from about amino acid 51 to about amino acid 54 and from about amino acid 359 to about amino acid 362 and potential N-myristoylation sites from about amino acid 54 to about amino acid 59, from about amino acid 75 to about amino acid 80, from about amino acid 141 to about amino acid 146, from about amino acid 154 to about amino acid 159, from about amino acid 168 to about amino acid 173, from about amino acid 169 to about amino acid 174, from about amino acid 198 to about amino acid 203, from about amino acid 254 to about amino acid 259, from about amino acid 261 to about amino acid 266, from about amino acid 269 to about amino acid 274, from about amino acid 284 to about amino acid 289, from about amino acid 333 to about amino acid 338, from about amino acid 347 to about amino acid 352, from about amino acid 360 to about amino acid 365, from about amino acid 361 to about amino acid 366, from about amino acid 388 to about amino acid 393, from about amino acid 408 to about amino acid 413 and from about amino acid 419 to about amino acid 424. Clone DNA59847-2510 has been deposited with ATCC on Jan. 12, 1999 and is assigned ATCC deposit no. 203576.

[0583] An analysis of the Dayhoff database (version 35.45 SwissProt 35), using a WU-BLAST2 sequence alignment analysis of the full-length sequence shown in **FIG. 10** (SEQ ID NO:16), evidenced homology between the PRO1863 amino acid sequence and the following Dayhoff sequences: AF041083_1, P_W26579, HSA223603_1, MMU97068, RNMAGPIAN_1, CAHX_FLABR, S61882, AB007899_1, CAH1_FLALI and P_W13386.

Example 9

[0584] Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO1917

[0585] Use of the signal sequence algorithm described in Example 3 above allowed identification of an EST cluster sequence from the LIFESEQ® database, designated EST cluster no. 85496. This EST cluster sequence was then compared to the EST databases listed above to identify existing homologies. The homology search was performed using the computer program BLAST or BLAST2 (Altschul et al., *Methods in Enzymology* 266:460-480 (1996)). Those comparisons resulting in a BLAST score of 70 (or in some cases 90) or greater that did not encode known proteins were clustered and assembled into a consensus DNA sequence with the program "phrap" (Phil Green, University of Washington, Seattle, Wash.). The consensus sequence obtained therefrom is herein designated DNA56415.

[0586] In light of the sequence homology between the DNA56415 sequence and an EST sequence contained within EST no.3255033, the EST clone, which derived from an ovarian tumor library, was purchased and the cDNA insert was obtained and sequenced. The sequence of this cDNA insert is shown in **FIG. 11** and is herein designated as DNA76400-2528.

[0587] The full length clone shown in **FIG. 11** contained a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 6-9 and ending at the stop codon found at nucleotide positions 1467-1469 (**FIG. 11**; SEQ ID NO:17). The predicted polypeptide precursor (**FIG. 12**, SEQ ID NO:18) is 487 amino acids long. PRO1917 has a calculated molecular weight of approximately 55,051 daltons and an estimated pI of approximately 8.14. Additional features include: a signal peptide at about amino acids 1-30; potential N-glycosylation sites at about amino acids 242-245 and 481-484, protein kinase C phosphorylation sites at about amino acids 95-97, 182-184, and 427-429; N-myristoylation sites at about amino acids 107-112, 113-118, 117-122, 118-123, and 128-133; and an endoplasmic reticulum targeting sequence at about amino acids 484-487.

[0588] An analysis of the Dayhoff database (version 35.45 SwissProt 35), using a WU-BLAST2 sequence alignment analysis of the full-length sequence shown in **FIG. 12** (SEQ ID NO:18), revealed significant homology between the PRO1917 amino acid sequence and Dayhoff sequence AF012714_1. Significant homology was also revealed between the PRO1917 amino acid sequence and the sequence of a chondrocyte protein, designated "P_W52286" on the Dayhoff database, which has been reported to be involved in the transition of chondrocytes from proliferate to hypertrophic states (International Patent Application Publication No. WO9801468-A1). Homology was also revealed between the PRO1917 amino acid sequence and the following additional Dayhoff sequences: P_W52286, GGU59420_1, P_R25597, PPA3_YEAST, PPA1_SCHPO, PPA2_SCHPO, A46783_1, DMC165H7_1, and AST8_DROME.

[0589] Clone DNA76400-2528 was deposited with the ATCC on Jan. 12, 1999, and is assigned ATCC deposit no. 203573.

Example 10

[0590] Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO1868

[0591] A consensus DNA sequence was assembled relative to other EST sequences using phrap as described in Example 1 above. This consensus sequence is herein designated DNA49803. Based up an observed homology between the DNA49803 consensus sequence and an EST sequence contained within the Incyte EST clone no. 2994689, Incyte EST clone no. 2994689 was purchased and its insert obtained and sequenced. The sequence of that insert is shown in **FIG. 13** and is herein designated DNA77624-2515.

[0592] The entire nucleotide sequence of DNA77624-2515 is shown in **FIG. 13** (SEQ ID NO:19). Clone DNA77624-2515 contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 51-53 and ending at the stop codon at nucleotide positions 981-983 (**FIG. 13**). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 310 amino acids long (**FIG. 14**). The full-length PRO1868 protein shown in **FIG. 14** has an estimated molecular weight of about 35,020 daltons and a pI of about 7.90. Analysis of the full-length PRO1868 sequence shown in **FIG. 14** (SEQ ID NO:20) evidences the presence of the following: a signal peptide from about amino acid 1 to about

amino acid 30, a transmembrane domain from about amino acid 243 to about amino acid 263, potential N-glycosylation sites from about amino acid 104 to about amino acid 107 and from about amino acid 192 to about amino acid 195, a cAMP- and cGMP-dependent protein kinase phosphorylation site from about amino acid 107 to about amino acid 110, casein kinase II phosphorylation sites from about amino acid 106 to about amino acid 109 and from about amino acid 296 to about amino acid 299, a tyrosine kinase phosphorylation site from about amino acid 69 to about amino acid 77 and potential N-myristoylation sites from about amino acid 26 to about amino acid 31, from about amino acid 215 to about amino acid 220, from about amino acid 226 to about amino acid 231, from about amino acid 243 to about amino acid 248, from about amino acid 244 to about amino acid 249 and from about amino acid 262 to about amino acid 267. Clone DNA77624-2515 has been deposited with ATCC on Dec. 22, 1998 and is assigned ATCC deposit no. 203553.

[0593] An analysis of the Dayhoff database (version 35.45 SwissProt 35), using a WU-BLAST2 sequence alignment analysis of the full-length sequence shown in **FIG. 14** (SEQ ID NO:20), evidenced significant homology between the PRO1868 amino acid sequence and the following Dayhoff sequences: HGS_RC75, P_W61379, A33_HUMAN, P_W14146, P_W14158, AMAL_DROME, P_R77437, I38346, NCM2_HUMAN and PTPD_HUMAN.

Example 11

[0594] Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO3434

[0595] Use of the signal sequence algorithm described in Example 3 above allowed identification of an EST cluster sequence from the Incyte database. This EST cluster sequence was then compared to a variety of expressed sequence tag (EST) databases which included public EST databases (e.g., GenBank) and a proprietary EST DNA database (Lifeseq®, Incyte Pharmaceuticals, Palo Alto, Calif.) to identify existing homologies. The homology search was performed using the computer program BLAST or BLAST2 (Altschul et al., *Methods in Enzymology* 266:460-480 (1996)). Those comparisons resulting in a BLAST score of 70 (or in some cases 90) or greater that did not encode known proteins were clustered and assembled into a consensus DNA sequence with the program "phrap" (Phil Green, University of Washington, Seattle, Wash.). The consensus sequence obtained therefrom is herein designated DNA56009.

[0596] In light of the sequence homology between the DNA56009 sequence and an EST sequence contained within the Incyte EST clone no. 3327089, the Incyte EST clone no. 3327089 was purchased and the cDNA insert was obtained and sequenced. The sequence of this cDNA insert is shown in **FIG. 15** and is herein designated as DNA77631-2537.

[0597] Clone DNA77631-2537 contains a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 4648 and ending at the stop codon at nucleotide positions 3133-3135 (**FIG. 15**). The predicted polypeptide precursor is 1029 amino acids long (**FIG. 16**). The full-length PRO3434 protein shown in **FIG. 16** has an estimated molecular weight of about 114,213 daltons and a pI of about 6.42. Analysis of the full-length PRO3434 sequence shown in **FIG. 16** (SEQ ID NO:22) evidences the

presence of very important polypeptide domains as shown in **FIG. 16**. Clone DNA77631-2537 has been deposited with ATCC on Feb. 9, 1999 and is assigned ATCC deposit no. 203651.

[0598] An analysis of the Dayhoff database (version 35.45 SwissProt 35), using a WU-BLAST2 sequence alignment analysis of the full-length sequence shown in **FIG. 16** (SEQ ID NO:22), evidenced homology between the PRO3434 amino acid sequence and the following Dayhoff sequences: VATX_YEAST, P_R51171, POLS_IBDVP, IBDVORF_2, JC5043, IBDVPIV_1, VE7_HPV11, GEN14220, MUTS_THETH and COAC_CHICK.

Example 12

[0599] Isolation of cDNA Clones Encoding Human PRO1927

[0600] Use of the signal sequence algorithm described in Example 3 above allowed identification of an EST cluster sequence from the LIFESEQ® database, designated EST Cluster No. 1913. This EST cluster sequence was then compared to a variety of expressed sequence tag (EST) databases which included the databases listed above, including an additional proprietary EST DNA database (Genentech, South San Francisco, Calif.) to identify existing homologies. The homology search was performed using the computer program BLAST or BLAST2 (Altschul et al., *Methods in Enzymology* 266:460-480 (1996)). Those comparisons resulting in a BLAST score of 70 (or in some cases 90) or greater that did not encode known proteins were clustered and assembled into a consensus DNA sequence with the program "phrap" (Phil Green, University of Washington, Seattle, Wash.). The consensus sequence obtained therefrom is herein designated DNA73896.

[0601] In light of the sequence homology between the DNA73896 sequence and an EST sequence contained within EST no.3326981H1, EST clone no. 3326981H1, which was obtained from a library constructed from RNA isolated from aortic tissue, was purchased and the cDNA insert was obtained and sequenced. The sequence of this cDNA insert is shown in **FIG. 17** and is herein designated as "DNA82307-2531".

[0602] The full length clone shown in **FIG. 17** contained a single open reading frame with an apparent translational initiation site at nucleotide positions 51-53 and ending at the stop codon found at nucleotide positions 1695-1697 (**FIG. 17**; SEQ ID NO:23). The predicted polypeptide precursor (**FIG. 18**, SEQ ID NO:24) is 548 amino acids long. PRO1927 has a calculated molecular weight of approximately 63,198 daltons and an estimated pI of approximately 8.10. Additional features include: a signal peptide at about amino acids 1-23; a putative transmembrane domain at about amino acids 6-25; potential N-glycosylation sites at about amino acids 5-8, 87-90, 103-106, and 465-469; potential N-myristoylation sites at about amino acids 6-11, 136-141, 370-375, and 509-514.

[0603] An analysis of the Dayhoff database (version 35.45 SwissProt 35), using a WU-BLAST2 sequence alignment analysis of the full-length sequence shown in **FIG. 18** (SEQ ID NO:24), revealed significant homology between the PRO1927 amino acid sequence and Dayhoff sequence AB000628_1. Homology was also revealed between the

PRO1927 amino acid sequence and the following additional Dayhoff sequences: HGS_A251, HGS_A197, CELC50H11_2, CPXM_BACSU, VFO3_VACCC, VFO3_VACCV, DYHA_CHLRE, C69084, and A64315.

[0604] Clone DNA82307-2531 was deposited with the ATCC on Dec. 15, 1998, and is assigned ATCC deposit no. 203537.

Example 13

[0605] Inhibitory Activity in Mixed Lymphocyte Reaction (MLR) Assay (Assay 67)

[0606] This example shows that one or more of the polypeptides of the invention are active as inhibitors of the proliferation of stimulated T-lymphocytes. Compounds which inhibit proliferation of lymphocytes are useful therapeutically where suppression of an immune response is beneficial.

[0607] The basic protocol for this assay is described in Current Protocols in Immunology, unit 3.12; edited by J E Coligan, A M Kruisbeek, D H Marglies, E M Shevach, W Strober, National Institutes of Health, Published by John Wiley & Sons, Inc.

[0608] More specifically, in one assay variant, peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMC) are isolated from mammalian individuals, for example a human volunteer, by leukopheresis (one donor will supply stimulator PBMCs, the other donor will supply responder PBMCs). If desired, the cells are frozen in fetal bovine serum and DMSO after isolation. Frozen cells may be thawed overnight in assay media (37° C., 5% CO₂) and then washed and resuspended to 3×10⁶ cells/ml of assay media (RPMI; 10% fetal bovine serum, 1% penicillin/streptomycin, 1% glutamine, 1% HEPES, 1% non-essential amino acids, 1% pyruvate). The stimulator PBMCs are prepared by irradiating the cells (about 3000 Rads).

[0609] The assay is prepared by plating in triplicate wells a mixture of:

[0610] 100:1 of test sample diluted to 1% or to 0.1%,

[0611] 50:1 of irradiated stimulator cells, and

[0612] 50:1 of responder PBMC cells.

[0613] 100 microliters of cell culture media or 100 microliter of CD4-IgG is used as the control. The wells are then incubated at 37° C., 5% CO₂ for 4 days. On day 5, each well is pulsed with tritiated thymidine (1.0 mCi/well; Amersham). After 6 hours the cells are washed 3 times and then the uptake of the label is evaluated.

[0614] In another variant of this assay, PBMCs are isolated from the spleens of Balb/c mice and C57B6 mice. The cells are teased from freshly harvested spleens in assay media (RPMI; 10% fetal bovine serum, 1% penicillin/streptomycin, 1% glutamine, 1% HEPES, 1% non-essential amino acids, 1% pyruvate) and the PBMCs are isolated by overlaying these cells over Lympholyte M (Organon Teknica), centrifuging at 2000 rpm for 20 minutes, collecting and washing the mononuclear cell layer in assay media and resuspending the cells to 1×10⁷ cells/ml of assay media. The assay is then conducted as described above.

[0615] Any decreases below control is considered to be a positive result for an inhibitory compound, with decreases of less than or equal to 80% being preferred. However, any value less than control indicates an inhibitory effect for the test protein.

[0616] The following polypeptides tested positive in this assay: PRO1917 and PRO1868.

Example 14

[0617] Skin Vascular Permeability Assay (Assay 64)

[0618] This assay shows that certain polypeptides of the invention stimulate an immune response and induce inflammation by inducing mononuclear cell, eosinophil and PMN infiltration at the site of injection of the animal. Compounds which stimulate an immune response are useful therapeutically where stimulation of an immune response is beneficial. This skin vascular permeability assay is conducted as follows. Hairless guinea pigs weighing 350 grams or more are anesthetized with ketamine (75-80 mg/Kg) and 5 mg/Kg xylazine intramuscularly (IM). A sample of purified polypeptide of the invention or a conditioned media test sample is injected intradermally onto the backs of the test animals with 100 μ l per injection site. It is possible to have about 10-30, preferably about 16-24, injection sites per animal. One μ l of Evans blue dye (1% in physiologic buffered saline) is injected intracardially. Blemishes at the injection sites are then measured (mm diameter) at 1 hr and 6 hr post injection. Animals were sacrificed at 6 hrs after injection. Each skin injection site is biopsied and fixed in formalin. The skins are then prepared for histopathologic evaluation. Each site is evaluated for inflammatory cell infiltration into the skin. Sites with visible inflammatory cell inflammation are scored as positive. Inflammatory cells may be neutrophilic, eosinophilic, monocytic or lymphocytic. At least a minimal perivascular infiltrate at the injection site is scored as positive, no infiltrate at the site of injection is scored as negative.

[0619] The following polypeptides tested positive in this assay: PRO1434.

Example 15

[0620] Proliferation of Rat Utricular Supporting Cells (Assay 54)

[0621] This assay shows that certain polypeptides of the invention act as potent mitogens for inner ear supporting cells which are auditory hair cell progenitors and, therefore, are useful for inducing the regeneration of auditory hair cells and treating hearing loss in mammals. The assay is performed as follows. Rat UEC-4 utricular epithelial cells are aliquoted into 96 well plates with a density of 3000 cells/well in 200 μ l of serum-containing medium at 33° C. The cells are cultured overnight and are then switched to serum-free medium at 37° C. Various dilutions of PRO polypeptides (or nothing for a control) are then added to the cultures and the cells are incubated for 24 hours. After the 24 hour incubation, ³H-thymidine (1 μ Ci/well) is added and the cells are then cultured for an additional 24 hours. The cultures are then washed to remove unincorporated radiolabel, the cells harvested and Cpm per well determined. Cpm of at least 30% or greater in the PRO polypeptide treated cultures as compared to the control cultures is considered a positive in the assay.

[0622] The following polypeptides tested positive in this assay: PRO982.

Example 16

[0623] Gene Amplification

[0624] This example shows that the PRO1800-, PRO539-, PRO3434- and PRO1927-encoding genes are amplified in the genome of certain human lung, colon and/or breast cancers and/or cell lines. Amplification is associated with overexpression of the gene product, indicating that the polypeptides are useful targets for therapeutic intervention in certain cancers such as colon, lung, breast and other cancers and diagnostic determination of the presence of those cancers. Therapeutic agents may take the form of antagonists of PRO1800, PRO539, PRO3434 or PRO1927 polypeptide, for example, murine-human chimeric, humanized or human antibodies against a PRO1800, PRO539, PRO3434 or PRO1927 polypeptide.

[0625] The starting material for the screen was genomic DNA isolated from a variety cancers. The DNA is quantitated precisely, e.g., fluorometrically. As a negative control, DNA was isolated from the cells of ten normal healthy individuals which was pooled and used as assay controls for the gene copy in healthy individuals (not shown). The 5' nuclease assay (for example, TaqMan™) and real-time quantitative PCR (for example, ABI Prism 7700 Sequence Detection System™ (Perkin Elmer, Applied Biosystems Division, Foster City, Calif.)), were used to find genes potentially amplified in certain cancers. The results were used to determine whether the DNA encoding PRO1800, PRO539, PRO3434 or PRO1927 is over-represented in any of the primary lung or colon cancers or cancer cell lines or breast cancer cell lines that were screened. The primary lung cancers were obtained from individuals with tumors of the type and stage as indicated in Table 6. An explanation of the abbreviations used for the designation of the primary tumors listed in Table 6 and the primary tumors and cell lines referred to throughout this example are given below.

[0626] The results of the TaqMan™ are reported in delta (Δ) Ct units. One unit corresponds to 1 PCR cycle or approximately a 2-fold amplification relative to normal, two units corresponds to 4-fold, 3 units to 8-fold amplification and so on. Quantitation was obtained using primers and a TaqMan™ fluorescent probe derived from the PRO1800-, PRO539-, PRO3434- or PRO1927-encoding gene. Regions of PRO1800, PRO539, PRO3434 or PRO1927 which are most likely to contain unique nucleic acid sequences and which are least likely to have spliced out introns are preferred for the primer and probe derivation, e.g., 3'-untranslated regions. The sequences for the primers and probes (forward, reverse and probe) used for the PRO1800, PRO539, PRO3434 or PRO1927 gene amplification analysis were as follows:

PRO1800 (DNA35672-2508)	
	(SEQ ID NO:27)
forward	5'-ACTCGGGATTCTGCTGTT-3'
	(SEQ ID NO:28)
probe	5'-AGGCCTTTACCCAAGGCCACAAC-3'

-continued	
	(SEQ ID NO:29)
reverse	5'-GGCCTGTCTGTGTTCTCA-3'
PRO539 (DNA47465-1561)	
	(SEQ ID NO:30)
forward	5'-TCCCACCACCTTACTTCCATGAA-3'
	(SEQ ID NO:31)
probe	5'-CTGTGGTACCCAATTGCCGCTTGT-3'
	(SEQ ID NO:32)
reverse	5'-ATTGTCTGAGATTCGAGCAAGA-3'
PRO3434 (DNA77631-2537)	
	(SEQ ID NO:33)
forward	5'-GTCCAGCAAGCCCTCATT-3'
	(SEQ ID NO:34)
probe	5'-CTTCTGGGCCACAGCCCTGC-3'
	(SEQ ID NO:35)
reverse	5'-CAGTTCAGGTCGTTTCATTCA-3'
PRO1927 (DNA82307-2531)	
	(SEQ ID NO:36)
forward	5'-CCAGTCAGGCCGTTTTAGA-3'
	(SEQ ID NO:37)
probe	5'-CGGGCGCCCAAGTAAAGCTC-3'
	(SEQ ID NO:38)
reverse	5'-CATAAAGTAGTATATGCATTCCAGTGTT-3'

[0627] The 5' nuclease assay reaction is a fluorescent PCR-based technique which makes use of the 5' exonuclease activity of Taq DNA polymerase enzyme to monitor amplification in real time. Two oligonucleotide primers are used to generate an amplicon typical of a PCR reaction. A third oligonucleotide, or probe, is designed to detect nucleotide sequence located between the two PCR primers. The probe is non-extendible by Taq DNA polymerase enzyme, and is labeled with a reporter fluorescent dye and a quencher fluorescent dye. Any laser-induced emission from the reporter dye is quenched by the quenching dye when the two dyes are located close together as they are on the probe. During the amplification reaction, the Taq DNA polymerase enzyme cleaves the probe in a template-dependent manner. The resultant probe fragments dissociate in solution, and signal from the released reporter dye is free from the quenching effect of the second fluorophore. One molecule of reporter dye is liberated for each new molecule synthesized, and detection of the unquenched reporter dye provides the basis for quantitative interpretation of the data.

[0628] The 5' nuclease procedure is run on a real-time quantitative PCR device such as the ABI Prism 7700™ Sequence Detection. The system consists of a thermocycler, laser, charge-coupled device (CCD) camera and computer. The system amplifies samples in a 96-well format on a thermocycler. During amplification, laser-induced fluorescent signal is collected in real-time through fiber optics cables for all 96 wells, and detected at the CCD. The system includes software for running the instrument and for analyzing the data.

[0629] 5' Nuclease assay data are initially expressed as Ct, or the threshold cycle. This is defined as the cycle at which

the reporter signal accumulates above the background level of fluorescence. The ΔCt values are used as quantitative measurement of the relative number of starting copies of a particular target sequence in a nucleic acid sample when comparing cancer DNA results to normal human DNA results.

[0630] Table 6 describes the stage, T stage and N stage of various primary tumors which were used to screen the PRO1800, PRO539, PRO3434 and PRO1927 compounds of the invention.

concentration of 20 mg/ml and equilibrated at 4° C. 10 ml of G2 Buffer was prepare by diluting Qiagen RNase A stock (100 mg/ml) to a final concentration of 200 μg/ml.

[0635] Buffer C1 (10 ml, 4° C.) and ddH2O (40 ml, 4° C.) were then added to the 10 ml of cell by inverting and incubated on ice for 10 minutes. The cell nuclei were pelleted by centrifuging in a Beckman swinging bucket rotor at 2500 rpm at 4° C. for 15 minutes. The supernatant was discarded and the nuclei were suspended with a vortex into 2 ml Buffer C1 (at 4° C.) and 6 ml ddH2O, followed by a

TABLE 6

Primary Lung and Colon Tumor Profiles					
Primary Tumor Stage	Stage	Other Stage	Dukes Stage	T Stage	N Stage
Human lung tumor AdenoCa (SRCC724) [LT1]	IIA			T1	N1
Human lung tumor SqCCa (SRCC725) [LT1a]	IIB			T3	N0
Human lung tumor AdenoCa (SRCC726) [LT2]	IB			T2	N0
Human lung tumor AdenoCa (SRCC727) [LT3]	IIIA			T1	N2
Human lung tumor AdenoCa (SRCC728) [LT4]	IB			T2	N0
Human lung tumor SqCCa (SRCC729) [LT6]	IB			T2	N0
Human lung tumor Aden/SqCCa (SRCC730) [LT7]	IA			T1	N0
Human lung tumor AdenoCa (SRCC731) [LT9]	IB			T2	N0
Human lung tumor SqCCa (SRCC732) [LT10]	IIB			T2	N1
Human lung tumor SqCCa (SRCC733) [LT11]	IIA			T1	N1
Human lung tumor AdenoCa (SRCC734) [LT12]	IV			T2	N0
Human lung tumor AdenoSqCCa (SRCC735)[LT13]	IB			T2	N0
Human lung tumor SqCCa (SRCC736) [LT15]	IB			T2	N0
Human lung tumor SqCCa (SRCC737) [LT16]	IB			T2	N0
Human lung tumor SqCCa (SRCC738) [LT17]	IIB			T2	N1
Human lung tumor SqCCa (SRCC739) [LT18]	IB			T2	N0
Human lung tumor SqCCa (SRCC740) [LT19]	IB			T2	N0
Human lung tumor LCCa (SRCC741) [LT21]	IIB			T3	N1
Human lung AdenoCa (SRCC811) [LT22]	1A			T1	N0
Human colon AdenoCa (SRCC742) [CT2]		M1	D	pT4	N0
Human colon AdenoCa (SRCC743) [CT3]			B	pT3	N0
Human colon AdenoCa (SRCC744) [CT8]			B	T3	N0
Human colon AdenoCa (SRCC745) [CT10]			A	pT2	N0
Human colon AdenoCa (SRCC746) [CT12]		MO, R1	B	T3	N0
Human colon AdenoCa (SRCC747) [CT14]		pMO, RO	B	pT3	pN0
Human colon AdenoCa (SRCC748) [CT15]		M1, R2	D	T4	N2
Human colon AdenoCa (SRCC749) [CT16]		pMO	B	pT3	pN0
Human colon AdenoCa (SRCC750) [CT17]			C1	pT3	pN1
Human colon AdenoCa (SRCC751) [CT1]		MO, R1	B	pT3	N0
Human colon AdenoCa (SRCC752) [CT4]			B	pT3	M0
Human colon AdenoCa (SRCC753) [CT5]		G2	C1	pT3	pN0
Human colon AdenoCa (SRCC754) [CT6]		pMO, RO	B	pT3	pN0
Human colon AdenoCa (SRCC755) [CT7]		G1	A	pT2	pN0
Human colon AdenoCa (SRCC756) [CT9]		G3	D	pT4	pN2
Human colon AdenoCa (SRCC757) [CT11]			B	T3	N0
Human colon AdenoCa (SRCC758) [CT18]		MO, RO	B	pT3	pN0

[0631] DNA Preparation:

[0632] DNA was prepared from cultured cell lines, primary tumors, normal human blood. The isolation was performed using purification kit, buffer set and protease and all from Quiagen, according to the manufacturer's instructions and the description below.

[0633] Cell Culture Lysis:

[0634] Cells were washed and trypsinized at a concentration of 7.5×10⁸ per tip and pelleted by centrifuging at 1000 rpm for 5 minutes at 4° C., followed by washing again with 1/2 volume of PBS recentrifugation. The pellets were washed a third time, the suspended cells collected and washed 2x with PBS. The cells were then suspended into 10 ml PBS. Buffer C1 was equilibrated at 4° C. Qiagen protease #19155 was diluted into 6.25 ml cold ddH₂O to a final

second 4° C. centrifuga tion at 2500 rpm for 15 minutes. The nuclei were then resuspended into the residual buffer using 200 μl per tip. G2 buffer (10 ml) was added to the suspended nuclei while gentle vortexing was applied. Upon completion of buffer addition, vigorous vortexing was applied for 30 seconds. Quiagen protease (200 μl, prepared as indicated above) was added and incubated at 50° C. for 60 minutes. The incubation and centrifugation was repeated until the lysates were clear (e.g., incubating additional 30-60 minutes, pelleting at 3000xg for 10 min., 4° C.).

[0636] Solid Human Tumor Sample Preparation and Lysis:

[0637] Tumor samples were weighed and placed into 50 ml conical tubes and held on ice. Processing was limited to no more than 250 mg tissue per preparation (1 tip/preparation). The protease solution was freshly prepared by diluting

into 6.25 ml cold ddH₂O to a final concentration of 20 mg/ml and stored at 4° C. G2 buffer (20 ml) was prepared by diluting DNase A to a final concentration of 200 mg/ml (from 100 mg/ml stock). The tumor tissue was homogenated in 19 ml G2 buffer for 60 seconds using the large tip of the polytron in a laminar-flow TC hood in order to avoid inhalation of aerosols, and held at room temperature. Between samples, the polytron was cleaned by spinning at 2x30 seconds each in 2 L ddH₂O, followed by G2 buffer (50 ml). If tissue was still present on the generator tip, the apparatus was disassembled and cleaned.

[0638] Quiagen protease (prepared as indicated above, 1.0 ml) was added, followed by vortexing and incubation at 50° C. for 3 hours. The incubation and centrifugation was repeated until the lysates were clear (e.g., incubating additional 30-60 minutes, pelleting at 3000xg for 10 min., 4° C.).

[0639] Human Blood Preparation and Lysis:

[0640] Blood was drawn from healthy volunteers using standard infectious agent protocols and citrated into 10 ml samples per tip. Quiagen protease was freshly prepared by dilution into 6.25 ml cold ddH₂O to a final concentration of 20 mg/ml and stored at 4° C. G2 buffer was prepared by diluting RNase A to a final concentration of 200 µg/ml from 100 mg/ml stock. The blood (10 ml) was placed into a 50 ml conical tube and 10 ml C1 buffer and 30 ml ddH₂O (both previously equilibrated to 4° C.) were added, and the components mixed by inverting and held on ice for 10 minutes. The nuclei were pelleted with a Beckman swinging bucket rotor at 2500 rpm, 4° C. for 15 minutes and the supernatant discarded. With a vortex, the nuclei were suspended into 2 ml C1 buffer (4° C.) and 6 ml ddH₂O (4° C). Vortexing was repeated until the pellet was white. The nuclei were then suspended into the residual buffer using a 200 µl tip. G2 buffer (10 ml) were added to the suspended nuclei while gently vortexing, followed by vigorous vortexing for 30 seconds. Quiagen protease was added (200 µl) and incubated at 50° C. for 60 minutes. The incubation and centrifugation was repeated until the lysates were clear (e.g., incubating additional 30-60 minutes, pelleting at 3000xg for 10 min., 4° C.).

[0641] Purification of Cleared Lysates:

[0642] (1) Isolation of Genomic DNA:

[0643] Genomic DNA was equilibrated (1 sample per maxi tip preparation) with 10 ml QBT buffer. QF elution buffer was equilibrated at 50° C. The samples were vortexed for 30 seconds, then loaded onto equilibrated tips and drained by gravity. The tips were washed with 2x15 ml QC buffer. The DNA was eluted into 30 ml silanized, autoclaved 30 ml Corex tubes with 15 ml QF buffer (50° C.). Isopropanol (10.5 ml) was added to each sample, the tubes covered with parafin and mixed by repeated inversion until the DNA precipitated. Samples were pelleted by centrifugation in the SS-34 rotor at 15,000 rpm for 10 minutes at 4° C. The pellet location was marked, the supernatant discarded, and 10 ml 70% ethanol (4° C.) was added. Samples were pelleted again by centrifugation on the SS-34 rotor at 10,000 rpm for 10 minutes at 4° C. The pellet location was marked and the supernatant discarded. The tubes were then placed on their side in a drying rack and dried 10 minutes at 37° C., taking care not to overdry the samples.

[0644] After drying, the pellets were dissolved into 1.0 ml TE (pH 8.5) and placed at 50° C. for 1-2 hours. Samples

were held overnight at 4° C. as dissolution continued. The DNA solution was then transferred to 1.5 ml tubes with a 26 gauge needle on a tuberculin syringe. The transfer was repeated 5x in order to shear the DNA. Samples were then placed at 50° C. for 1-2 hours.

[0645] (2) Quantitation of Genomic DNA and Preparation for Gene Amplification Assay:

[0646] The DNA levels in each tube were quantified by standard A₂₆₀, A₂₈₀ spectrophotometry on a 1:20 dilution (5 µl DNA+95 µl ddH₂O) using the 0.1 ml quartz cuvetts in the Beckman DU640 spectrophotometer. A₂₆₀/A₂₈₀ ratios were in the range of 1.8-1.9. Each DNA samples was then diluted further to approximately 200 ng/ml in TE (pH 8.5). If the original material was highly concentrated (about 700 ng/µl), the material was placed at 50° C. for several hours until resuspended.

[0647] Fluorometric DNA quantitation was then performed on the diluted material (20-600 ng/ml) using the manufacturer's guidelines as modified below. This was accomplished by allowing a Hoeffer DyNA Quant 200 fluorometer to warm-up for about 15 minutes. The Hoechst dye working solution (#H33258, 10 µl, prepared within 12 hours of use) was diluted into 100 ml 1x TNE buffer. A 2 ml cuvette was filled with the fluorometer solution, placed into the machine, and the machine was zeroed. pGEM 3Zf(+) (2 µl, lot #360851026) was added to 2 ml of fluorometer solution and calibrated at 200 units. An additional 2 µl of pGEM 3Zf(+) DNA was then tested and the reading confirmed at 400+/-10 units. Each sample was then read at least in triplicate. When 3 samples were found to be within 10% of each other, their average was taken and this value was used as the quantification value.

[0648] The fluorometricly determined concentration was then used to dilute each sample to 10 ng/µl in ddH₂O. This was done simultaneously on all template samples for a single TaqMan plate assay, and with enough material to run 500-1000 assays. The samples were tested in triplicate with Taqman™ primers and probe both B-actin and GAPDH on a single plate with normal human DNA and no-template controls. The diluted samples were used provided that the CT value of normal human DNA subtracted from test DNA was +/-1 Ct. The diluted, lot-qualified genomic DNA was stored in 1.0 ml aliquots at -80° C. Aliquots which were subsequently to be used in the gene amplification assay were stored at 4° C. Each 1 ml aliquot is enough for 8-9 plates or 64 tests.

[0649] Gene Amplification Assay:

[0650] The PRO1800, PRO539, PRO3434 and PRO1927 compounds of the invention were screened in the following primary tumors and the resulting ΔCt values greater than or equal to 1.0 are reported in Table 7 below.

TABLE 7

(ΔCt values in lung and colon primary tumor models)				
Primary Tumor	PRO1800	PRO539	PRO3434	PRO1927
LT11	1.65, 1.59,			
	1.03			
LT12	1.34, 2.28, 1.25			
	2.03			

TABLE 7-continued

(ΔCt values in lung and colon primary tumor models)				
Primary Tumor	PRO1800	PRO539	PRO3434	PRO1927
LT13	1.27, 2.18	1.64, 1.08	5.24, 4.47	4.38, 4.80
LT15	1.70, 2.23, 1.93	1.78, 1.10	1.24	1.00
LT16	1.00, 1.05, 1.09		3.65, 3.19	2.73, 2.74
LT17	1.94, 1.63	1.94, 1.01		
LT18	1.12			
LT19	2.51, 2.18	1.16		
LT21	1.30	1.32		
CT2	1.50			
CT3		1.17		
CT10		1.16		
CT12		1.19		
CT14	1.62			
CT15	1.48, 1.08	1.03	1.19, 1.40	1.10, 1.30
CT5	1.10			
CT11	1.20	1.12		
Colo-320 (colon tumor cell line)	1.16		1.78, 1.76, 1.74	1.51
HF-00084 (lung tumor cell line)			2.20	2.41
HCT-116 (colon tumor cell line)			2.15, 2.22	1.41, 1.47
HF-00129 (lung tumor cell line)			1.00, 1.17, 4.64	2.31, 5.14
SW-620 (colon tumor cell line)			1.11	2.40
HT-29 (colon tumor cell line)			1.30	
SW-403 (colon tumor cell line)			1.64	
LS174T (colon tumor cell line)			1.75	
HCC-2998 (colon tumor cell line)			1.42	
A549 (lung tumor cell line)			1.15	
Calu-6 (lung tumor cell line)			1.51, 1.09	
H157 (lung tumor cell line)			1.60, 1.22	
H441 (lung tumor cell line)			1.61	
H460 (lung tumor cell line)			1.07, 1.15	
SKMES1 (lung tumor cell line)			1.01	
H810 (lung tumor cell line)			1.02	
			1.20, 1.54	

Example 17

[0651] Induction of Pancreatic β-Cell Precursor Proliferation (Assay 117)

[0652] This assay shows that certain polypeptides of the invention act to induce an increase in the number of pancreatic β-cell precursor cells and, therefore, are useful for treating various insulin deficient states in mammals, including diabetes mellitus. The assay is performed as follows. The assay uses a primary culture of mouse fetal pancreatic cells and the primary readout is an alteration in the expression of markers that represent either β-cell precursors or mature β-cells. Marker expression is measured by real time quantitative PCR (RTQ-PCR); wherein the marker being evaluated is a transcription factor called Pdx1.

[0653] The pancreata are dissected from E14 embryos (CD1 mice). The pancreata are then digested with collage-

nase/dispase in F12/DMEM at 37° C. for 40 to 60 minutes (collagenase/dispase, 1.37 mg/ml, Boehringer Mannheim, #1097113). The digestion is then neutralized with an equal volume of 5% BSA and the cells are washed once with RPMI1640. At day 1, the cells are seeded into 12-well tissue culture plates (pre-coated with laminin, 20 μg/ml in PBS, Boehringer Mannheim, #124317). Cells from pancreata from 1-2 embryos are distributed per well. The culture medium for this primary culture is 14F/1640. At day 2, the media is removed and the attached cells washed with RPMI/1640. Two mls of minimal media are added in addition to the protein to be tested. At day 4, the media is removed and RNA prepared from the cells and marker expression analyzed by real time quantitative RT-PCR. A protein is considered to be active in the assay if it increases the expression of the relevant β-cell marker as compared to untreated controls.

- [0654] 14F/1640 is RPMI1640 (Gibco) plus the following:
- [0655] group A 1:1000
 - [0656] group B 1:1000
 - [0657] recombinant human insulin 10 μg/ml
 - [0658] Aprotinin (50 μg/ml) 1:2000 (Boehringer manheim #981532)
 - [0659] Bovine pituitary extract (BPE) 60 μg/ml
 - [0660] Gentamycin 100 ng/ml
 - [0661] Group A: (in 10 ml PBS)
 - [0662] Transferrin, 100 mg (Sigma T2252)
 - [0663] Epidermal Growth Factor, 100 μg (BRL 100004)
 - [0664] Triiodothyronine, 10 μl of 5×10⁻⁶ M (Sigma T5516)
 - [0665] Ethanolamine, 100 μl of 10⁻¹ M (Sigma E0135)
 - [0666] Phosphoethalamine, 100 μl of 10⁻¹ M (Sigma P0503)
 - [0667] Selenium, 4 μl of 10⁻¹ M (Aesar #12574)
 - [0668] Group C: (in 10 ml 100% ethanol)
 - [0669] Hydrocortisone, 2 μl of 5×10⁻³ M (Sigma #H0135)
 - [0670] Progesterone, 100 μl of 1×10⁻³ M (Sigma #P6149)
 - [0671] Forskolin, 500 μl of 20 mM (Calbiochem #344270)
 - [0672] Minimal Media:
 - [0673] RPMI 1640 plus transferrin (10 μg/ml), insulin (1 μg/ml), gentamycin (100 ng/ml), aprotinin (50 μg/ml) and BPE (15 μg/ml).
 - [0674] Defined Media:
 - [0675] RPMI 1640 plus transferrin (10 μg/ml), insulin (1 μg/ml), gentamycin (100 ng/ml) and aprotinin (50 μg/ml).

[0676] The following polypeptide was positive in this assay: PRO1868.

Example 18

[0677] Induction of Pancreatic β -Cell Precursor Differentiation (Assay 89)

[0678] This assay shows that certain polypeptides of the invention act to induce differentiation of pancreatic β -cell precursor cells into mature pancreatic β -cells and, therefore, are useful for treating various insulin deficient states in mammals, including diabetes mellitus. The assay is performed as follows. The assay uses a primary culture of mouse fetal pancreatic cells and the primary readout is an alteration in the expression of markers that represent either β -cell precursors or mature β -cells. Marker expression is measured by real time quantitative PCR (RTQ-PCR); wherein the marker being evaluated is insulin.

[0679] The pancreata are dissected from E14 embryos (CD1 mice). The pancreata are then digested with collagenase/dispase in F12/DMEM at 37° C. for 40 to 60 minutes (collagenase/dispase, 1.37 mg/ml, Boehringer Mannheim, #1097113). The digestion is then neutralized with an equal volume of 5% BSA and the cells are washed once with RPMI1640. At day 1, the cells are seeded into 12-well tissue culture plates (pre-coated with laminin, 20 μ g/ml in PBS, Boehringer Mannheim, #124317). Cells from pancreata from 1-2 embryos are distributed per well. The culture medium for this primary culture is 14F/1640. At day 2, the media is removed and the attached cells washed with RPMI/1640. Two mls of minimal media are added in addition to the protein to be tested. At day 4, the media is removed and RNA prepared from the cells and marker expression analyzed by real time quantitative RT-PCR. A protein is considered to be active in the assay if it increases the expression of the relevant β -cell marker as compared to untreated controls.

[0680] 14F/1640 is RPMI1640 (Gibco) plus the following:

[0681] group A 1:1000

[0682] group B 1:1000

[0683] recombinant human insulin 10 μ g/ml

[0684] Aprotinin (50 μ g/ml) 1:2000 (Boehringer manheim #981532)

[0685] Bovine pituitary extract (BPE) 60 μ g/ml

[0686] Gentamycin 100 ng/ml

[0687] Group A: (in 10 ml PBS)

[0688] Transferrin, 100 mg (Sigma T2252)

[0689] Epidermal Growth Factor, 100 μ g (BRL 100004)

[0690] Triiodothyronine, 10 μ l of 5×10^{-6} M (Sigma T5516)

[0691] Ethanolamine, 100 μ l of 10^{-1} M (Sigma E0135)

[0692] Phosphoethalamine, 100 μ l of 10^{-1} M (Sigma P0503)

[0693] Selenium, 4 μ l of 10^{-1} M (Aesar #12574)

[0694] Group C: (in 10 ml 100% ethanol)

[0695] Hydrocortisone, 2 μ l of 5×10^{-3} (Sigma #H0135)

[0696] Progesterone, 100 μ l of 1×10^{-3} M (Sigma #P6149)

[0697] Forskolin, 500 μ l 20 mM (Calbiochem #344270)

[0698] Minimal Media:

[0699] RPMI 1640 plus transferrin (10 μ g/ml), insulin (1 μ g/ml), gentamycin (100 ng/ml), aprotinin (50 μ g/ml) and BPE (15 μ g/ml).

[0700] Defined Media:

[0701] RPMI 1640 plus transferrin (10 μ g/ml), insulin (1 μ g/ml), gentamycin (100 ng/ml) and aprotinin (50 μ g/ml).

[0702] The following polypeptide was positive in this assay: PRO1863.

Example 19

[0703] Mouse Kidney Mesangial Cell Proliferation Assay (Assay 92)

[0704] This assay shows that certain polypeptides of the invention act to induce proliferation of mammalian kidney mesangial cells and, therefore, are useful for treating kidney disorders associated with decreased mesangial cell function such as Berger disease or other nephropathies associated with Schönlein-Henoch purpura, celiac disease, dermatitis herpetiformis or Crohn disease. The assay is performed as follows. On day one, mouse kidney mesangial cells are plated on a 96 well plate in growth media (3:1 mixture of Dulbecco's modified Eagle's medium and Ham's F12 medium, 95% fetal bovine serum, 5% supplemented with 14 mM HEPES) and grown overnight. On day 2, PRO polypeptides are diluted at 2 concentrations (1% and 0.1%) in serum-free medium and added to the cells. Control samples are serum-free medium alone. On day 4, 20 μ l of the Cell Titer 96 Aqueous one solution reagent (Progen) was added to each well and the colorimetric reaction was allowed to proceed for 2 hours. The absorbance (OD) is then measured at 490 nm. A positive in the assay is anything that gives an absorbance reading which is at least 15% above the control reading.

[0705] The following polypeptide tested positive in this assay: PRO1917.

Example 20

[0706] Fibroblast (BHK-21) Proliferation (Assay 98)

[0707] This assay shows that certain polypeptides of the invention act to induce proliferation of mammalian fibroblast cells in culture and, therefore, function as useful growth factors in mammalian systems. The assay is performed as follows. BHK-21 fibroblast cells plated in standard growth medium at 2500 cells/well in a total volume of 100 μ l. The PRO polypeptide, β -FGF (positive control) or nothing (negative control) are then added to the wells in the presence of 1 μ g/ml of heparin for a total final volume of 200 μ l. The cells are then incubated at 37° C. for 6 to 7 days. After incubation, the media is removed, the cells are washed with PBS and then an acid phosphatase substrate reaction mixture (100 μ l/well) is added. The cells are then incubated at 37° C. for 2 hours. 10 μ l per well of 1N NaOH is then added to stop the acid phosphatase reaction. The plates are

then read at OD 405 nm. A positive in the assay is acid phosphatase activity which is at least 50% above the negative control.

[0708] The following polypeptide tested positive in this assay: PRO982.

Example 21

[0709] Chondrocyte Re-Differentiation Assay (Assay 110)

[0710] This assay shows that certain polypeptides of the invention act to induce redifferentiation of chondrocytes, therefore, are expected to be useful for the treatment of various bone and/or cartilage disorders such as, for example, sports injuries and arthritis. The assay is performed as follows. Porcine chondrocytes are isolated by overnight collagenase digestion of articular cartilage of metacarpophalangeal joints of 4-6 month old female pigs. The isolated cells are then seeded at 25,000 cells/cm² in Ham F-12 containing 10% FBS and 4 µg/ml gentamycin. The culture media is changed every third day and the cells are then seeded in 96 well plates at 5,000 cells/well in 100 µl of the same media without serum and 100 µl of the test PRO polypeptide, 5 nM staurosporin (positive control) or medium alone (negative control) is added to give a final volume of 200 µl/well. After 5 days of incubation at 37° C., a picture of each well is taken and the differentiation state of the chondrocytes is determined. A positive result in the assay occurs when the redifferentiation of the chondrocytes is determined to be more similar to the positive control than the negative control.

[0711] The following polypeptide tested positive in this assay: PRO1863.

Example 22

[0712] Use of PRO as a Hybridization Probe

[0713] The following method describes use of a nucleotide sequence encoding PRO as a hybridization probe.

[0714] DNA comprising the coding sequence of full-length or mature PRO as disclosed herein is employed as a probe to screen for homologous DNAs (such as those encoding naturally-occurring variants of PRO) in human tissue cDNA libraries or human tissue genomic libraries.

[0715] Hybridization and washing of filters containing either library DNAs is performed under the following high stringency conditions. Hybridization of radiolabeled PRO-derived probe to the filters is performed in a solution of 50% formamide, 5×SSC, 0.1% SDS, 0.1% sodium pyrophosphate, 50 mM sodium phosphate, pH 6.8, 2× Denhardt's solution, and 10% dextran sulfate at 42° C. for 20 hours. Washing of the filters is performed in an aqueous solution of 0.1×SSC and 0.1% SDS at 42° C.

[0716] DNAs having a desired sequence identity with the DNA encoding full-length native sequence PRO can then be identified using standard techniques known in the art.

Example 23

[0717] Expression of PRO In *E. coli*

[0718] This example illustrates preparation of an unglycosylated form of PRO by recombinant expression in *E. coli*.

[0719] The DNA sequence encoding PRO is initially amplified using selected PCR primers. The primers should contain restriction enzyme sites which correspond to the restriction enzyme sites on the selected expression vector. A variety of expression vectors may be employed. An example of a suitable vector is pBR322 (derived from *E. coli*; see Bolivar et al., *Gene*, 2:95 (1977)) which contains genes for ampicillin and tetracycline resistance. The vector is digested with restriction enzyme and dephosphorylated. The PCR amplified sequences are then ligated into the vector. The vector will preferably include sequences which encode for an antibiotic resistance gene, a trp promoter, a polyhis leader (including the first six STII codons, polyhis sequence, and enterokinase cleavage site), the PRO coding region, lambda transcriptional terminator, and an argU gene.

[0720] The ligation mixture is then used to transform a selected *E. coli* strain using the methods described in Sambrook et al., *supra*. Transformants are identified by their ability to grow on LB plates and antibiotic resistant colonies are then selected. Plasmid DNA can be isolated and confirmed by restriction analysis and DNA sequencing.

[0721] Selected clones can be grown overnight in liquid culture medium such as LB broth supplemented with antibiotics. The overnight culture may subsequently be used to inoculate a larger scale culture. The cells are then grown to a desired optical density, during which the expression promoter is turned on.

[0722] After culturing the cells for several more hours, the cells can be harvested by centrifugation. The cell pellet obtained by the centrifugation can be solubilized using various agents known in the art, and the solubilized PRO protein can then be purified using a metal chelating column under conditions that allow tight binding of the protein.

[0723] PRO may be expressed in *E. coli* in a poly-His tagged form, using the following procedure. The DNA encoding PRO is initially amplified using selected PCR primers. The primers will contain restriction enzyme sites which correspond to the restriction enzyme sites on the selected expression vector, and other useful sequences providing for efficient and reliable translation initiation, rapid purification on a metal chelation column, and proteolytic removal with enterokinase. The PCR-amplified, poly-His tagged sequences are then ligated into an expression vector, which is used to transform an *E. coli* host based on strain 52 (W3110 fuhA(tonA) Ion galE rpoHts(htpRts) clpP(lacIq). Transformants are first grown in LB containing 50 mg/ml carbenicillin at 30° C. with shaking until an O.D.600 of 3-5 is reached. Cultures are then diluted 50-100 fold into CRAP media (prepared by mixing 3.57 g (NH₄)₂SO₄, 0.71 g sodium citrate.2H₂O, 1.07 g KCl, 5.36 g Difco yeast extract, 5.36 g Sheffield hycase SF in 500 mL water, as well as 110 mM MPOS, pH 7.3, 0.55% (w/v) glucose and 7 mM MgSO₄) and grown for approximately 20-30 hours at 30° C. with shaking. Samples are removed to verify expression by SDS-PAGE analysis, and the bulk culture is centrifuged to pellet the cells. Cell pellets are frozen until purification and refolding.

[0724] *E. coli* paste from 0.5 to 1 L fermentations (6-10 g pellets) is resuspended in 10 volumes (w/v) in 7 M guanidine, 20 mM Tris, pH 8 buffer. Solid sodium sulfite and sodium tetrathionate is added to make final concentrations of 0.1M and 0.02 M, respectively, and the solution is stirred

overnight at 4° C. This step results in a denatured protein with all cysteine residues blocked by sulfitolization. The solution is centrifuged at 40,000 rpm in a Beckman Ultracentrifuge for 30 min. The supernatant is diluted with 3-5 volumes of metal chelate column buffer (6 M guanidine, 20 mM Tris, pH 7.4) and filtered through 0.22 micron filters to clarify. The clarified extract is loaded onto a 5 ml Qiagen Ni-NTA metal chelate column equilibrated in the metal chelate column buffer. The column is washed with additional buffer containing 50 mM imidazole (Calbiochem, Utrol grade), pH 7.4. The protein is eluted with buffer containing 250 mM imidazole. Fractions containing the desired protein are pooled and stored at 4° C. Protein concentration is estimated by its absorbance at 280 nm using the calculated extinction coefficient based on its amino acid sequence.

[0725] The proteins are refolded by diluting the sample slowly into freshly prepared refolding buffer consisting of: 20 mM Tris, pH 8.6, 0.3 M NaCl, 2.5 M urea, 5 mM cysteine, 20 mM glycine and 1 mM EDTA. Refolding volumes are chosen so that the final protein concentration is between 50 to 100 micrograms/ml. The refolding solution is stirred gently at 4° C. for 12-36 hours. The refolding reaction is quenched by the addition of TFA to a final concentration of 0.4% (pH of approximately 3). Before further purification of the protein, the solution is filtered through a 0.22 micron filter and acetonitrile is added to 2-10% final concentration. The refolded protein is chromatographed on a Poros R1/H reversed phase column using a mobile buffer of 0.1% TFA with elution with a gradient of acetonitrile from 10 to 80%. Aliquots of fractions with A280 absorbance are analyzed on SDS polyacrylamide gels and fractions containing homogeneous refolded protein are pooled. Generally, the properly refolded species of most proteins are eluted at the lowest concentrations of acetonitrile since those species are the most compact with their hydrophobic interiors shielded from interaction with the reversed phase resin. Aggregated species are usually eluted at higher acetonitrile concentrations. In addition to resolving misfolded forms of proteins from the desired form, the reversed phase step also removes endotoxin from the samples.

[0726] Fractions containing the desired folded PRO polypeptide are pooled and the acetonitrile removed using a gentle stream of nitrogen directed at the solution. Proteins are formulated into 20 mM Hepes, pH 6.8 with 0.14 M sodium chloride and 4% mannitol by dialysis or by gel filtration using G25 Superfine (Pharmacia) resins equilibrated in the formulation buffer and sterile filtered.

[0727] Many of the PRO polypeptides disclosed herein were successfully expressed as described above.

Example 24

[0728] Expression of PRO in Mammalian Cells

[0729] This example illustrates preparation of a potentially glycosylated form of PRO by recombinant expression in mammalian cells.

[0730] The vector, pRK5 (see EP 307,247, published Mar. 15, 1989), is employed as the expression vector. Optionally, the PRO DNA is ligated into pRK5 with selected restriction enzymes to allow insertion of the PRO DNA using ligation methods such as described in Sambrook et al., supra. The resulting vector is called pRK5-PRO.

[0731] In one embodiment, the selected host cells may be 293 cells. Human 293 cells (ATCC CCL 1573) are grown to confluence in tissue culture plates in medium such as DMEM supplemented with fetal calf serum and optionally, nutrient components and/or antibiotics. About 10 μ g pRK5-PRO DNA is mixed with about 1 μ g DNA encoding the VA RNA gene [Thimmappaya et al., *Cell*, 31:543 (1982)] and dissolved in 500 μ l of 1 mM Tris-HCl, 0.1 mM EDTA, 0.227 M CaCl₂. To this mixture is added, dropwise, 500 μ l of 50 mM HEPES (pH 7.35), 280 mM NaCl, 1.5 mM NaPO₄, and a precipitate is allowed to form for 10 minutes at 25° C. The precipitate is suspended and added to the 293 cells and allowed to settle for about four hours at 37° C. The culture medium is aspirated off and 2 ml of 20% glycerol in PBS is added for 30 seconds. The 293 cells are then washed with serum free medium, fresh medium is added and the cells are incubated for about 5 days.

[0732] Approximately 24 hours after the transfections, the culture medium is removed and replaced with culture medium (alone) or culture medium containing 200 μ Ci/ml ³⁵S-cysteine and 200 μ Ci/ml ³⁵S-methionine. After a 12 hour incubation, the conditioned medium is collected, concentrated on a spin filter, and loaded onto a 15% SDS gel. The processed gel may be dried and exposed to film for a selected period of time to reveal the presence of PRO polypeptide. The cultures containing transfected cells may undergo further incubation (in serum free medium) and the medium is tested in selected bioassays.

[0733] In an alternative technique, PRO may be introduced into 293 cells transiently using the dextran sulfate method described by Somparyrac et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci.*, 12:7575 (1981). 293 cells are grown to maximal density in a spinner flask and 700 μ g pRK5-PRO DNA is added. The cells are first concentrated from the spinner flask by centrifugation and washed with PBS. The DNA-dextran precipitate is incubated on the cell pellet for four hours. The cells are treated with 20% glycerol for 90 seconds, washed with tissue culture medium, and re-introduced into the spinner flask containing tissue culture medium, 5 μ g/ml bovine insulin and 0.1 μ g/ml bovine transferrin. After about four days, the conditioned media is centrifuged and filtered to remove cells and debris. The sample containing expressed PRO can then be concentrated and purified by any selected method, such as dialysis and/or column chromatography.

[0734] In another embodiment, PRO can be expressed in CHO cells. The pRK5-PRO can be transfected into CHO cells using known reagents such as CaPO₄ or DEAE-dextran. As described above, the cell cultures can be incubated, and the medium replaced with culture medium (alone) or medium containing a radiolabel such as ³⁵S-methionine. After determining the presence of PRO polypeptide, the culture medium may be replaced with serum free medium. Preferably, the cultures are incubated for about 6 days, and then the conditioned medium is harvested. The medium containing the expressed PRO can then be concentrated and purified by any selected method.

[0735] Epitope-tagged PRO may also be expressed in host CHO cells. The PRO may be subcloned out of the pRK5 vector. The subclone insert can undergo PCR to fuse in frame with a selected epitope tag such as a poly-his tag into a Baculovirus expression vector. The poly-his tagged PRO insert can then be subcloned into a SV40 driven vector

containing a selection marker such as DHFR for selection of stable clones. Finally, the CHO cells can be transfected (as described above) with the SV40 driven vector. Labeling may be performed, as described above, to verify expression. The culture medium containing the expressed poly-His tagged PRO can then be concentrated and purified by any selected method, such as by Ni^{2+} -chelate affinity chromatography.

[0736] PRO may also be expressed in CHO and/or COS cells by a transient expression procedure or in CHO cells by another stable expression procedure.

[0737] Stable expression in CHO cells is performed using the following procedure. The proteins are expressed as an IgG construct (immunoadhesin), in which the coding sequences for the soluble forms (e.g. extracellular domains) of the respective proteins are fused to an IgG1 constant region sequence containing the hinge, CH2 and CH2 domains and/or is a poly-His tagged form.

[0738] Following PCR amplification, the respective DNAs are subcloned in a CHO expression vector using standard techniques as described in Ausubel et al., *Current Protocols of Molecular Biology*, Unit 3.16, John Wiley and Sons (1997). CHO expression vectors are constructed to have compatible restriction sites 5' and 3' of the DNA of interest to allow the convenient shuttling of cDNA's. The vector used expression in CHO cells is as described in Lucas et al., *Nucl. Acids Res.* 24:9 (1774-1779) (1996), and uses the SV40 early promoter/enhancer to drive expression of the cDNA of interest and dihydrofolate reductase (DHFR). DHFR expression permits selection for stable maintenance of the plasmid following transfection.

[0739] Twelve micrograms of the desired plasmid DNA is introduced into approximately 10 million CHO cells using commercially available transfection reagents Superfect® (Quiagen), Dosper® or Eugene® (Boehringer Mannheim). The cells are grown as described in Lucas et al., supra. Approximately 3×10^{-7} cells are frozen in an ampule for further growth and production as described below.

[0740] The ampules containing the plasmid DNA are thawed by placement into water bath and mixed by vortexing. The contents are pipetted into a centrifuge tube containing 10 mLs of media and centrifuged at 1000 rpm for 5 minutes. The supernatant is aspirated and the cells are resuspended in 10 mL of selective media (0.2 μm filtered PS20 with 5% 0.2 μm diafiltered fetal bovine serum). The cells are then aliquoted into a 100 mL spinner containing 90 mL of selective media. After 1-2 days, the cells are transferred into a 250 mL spinner filled with 150 mL selective growth medium and incubated at 37° C. After another 2-3 days, 250 mL, 500 mL and 2000 mL spinners are seeded with 3×10^5 cells/mL. The cell media is exchanged with fresh media by centrifugation and resuspension in production medium. Although any suitable CHO media may be employed, a production medium described in U.S. Pat. No. 5,122,469, issued Jun. 16, 1992 may actually be used. A 3 L production spinner is seeded at 1.2×10^5 cells/mL. On day 0, the cell number pH is determined. On day 1, the spinner is sampled and sparging with filtered air is commenced. On day 2, the spinner is sampled, the temperature shifted to 33° C., and 30 mL of 500 g/L glucose and 0.6 mL of 10% antifoam (e.g., 35% polydimethylsiloxane emulsion, Dow Corning 365 Medical Grade Emulsion) taken. Throughout the production, the pH is adjusted as necessary to keep it at

around 7.2. After 10 days, or until the viability dropped below 70%, the cell culture is harvested by centrifugation and filtering through a 0.22 μm filter. The filtrate was either stored at 4° C. or immediately loaded onto columns for purification.

[0741] For the poly-His tagged constructs, the proteins are purified using a Ni-NTA column (Qiagen). Before purification, imidazole is added to the conditioned media to a concentration of 5 mM. The conditioned media is pumped onto a 6 ml Ni-NTA column equilibrated in 20 mM Hepes, pH 7.4, buffer containing 0.3 M NaCl and 5 mM imidazole at a flow rate of 4-5 ml/min. at 4° C. After loading, the column is washed with additional equilibration buffer and the protein eluted with equilibration buffer containing 0.25 M imidazole. The highly purified protein is subsequently desalted into a storage buffer containing 10 mM Hepes, 0.14 M NaCl and 4% mannitol, pH 6.8, with a 25 ml G25 Superfine (Pharmacia) column and stored at -80° C.

[0742] Immunoadhesin (Fc-containing) constructs are purified from the conditioned media as follows. The conditioned medium is pumped onto a 5 ml Protein A column (Pharmacia) which had been equilibrated in 20 mM Na phosphate buffer, pH 6.8. After loading, the column is washed extensively with equilibration buffer before elution with 100 mM citric acid, pH 3.5. The eluted protein is immediately neutralized by collecting 1 ml fractions into tubes containing 275 μL of 1 M Tris buffer, pH 9. The highly purified protein is subsequently desalted into storage buffer as described above for the poly-His tagged proteins. The homogeneity is assessed by SDS polyacrylamide gels and by N-terminal amino acid sequencing by Edman degradation.

[0743] Many of the PRO polypeptides disclosed herein were successfully expressed as described above.

Example 25

[0744] Expression of PRO in Yeast

[0745] The following method describes recombinant expression of PRO in yeast.

[0746] First, yeast expression vectors are constructed for intracellular production or secretion of PRO from the ADH2/GAPDH promoter. DNA encoding PRO and the promoter is inserted into suitable restriction enzyme sites in the selected plasmid to direct intracellular expression of PRO. For secretion, DNA encoding PRO can be cloned into the selected plasmid, together with DNA encoding the ADH2/GAPDH promoter, a native PRO signal peptide or other mammalian signal peptide, or, for example, a yeast alpha-factor or invertase secretory signal/leader sequence, and linker sequences (if needed) for expression of PRO.

[0747] Yeast cells, such as yeast strain AB110, can then be transformed with the expression plasmids described above and cultured in selected fermentation media. The transformed yeast supernatants can be analyzed by precipitation with 10% trichloroacetic acid and separation by SDS-PAGE, followed by staining of the gels with Coomassie Blue stain.

[0748] Recombinant PRO can subsequently be isolated and purified by removing the yeast cells from the fermentation medium by centrifugation and then concentrating the medium using selected cartridge filters. The concentrate containing PRO may further be purified using selected column chromatography resins.

[0749] Many of the PRO polypeptides disclosed herein were successfully expressed as described above.

Example 26

[0750] Expression of PRO in Baculovirus-Infected Insect Cells

[0751] The following method describes recombinant expression of PRO in Baculovirus-infected insect cells.

[0752] The sequence coding for PRO is fused upstream of an epitope tag contained within a baculovirus expression vector. Such epitope tags include poly-his tags and immunoglobulin tags (like Fc regions of IgG). A variety of plasmids may be employed, including plasmids derived from commercially available plasmids such as pVL1393 (Novagen). Briefly, the sequence encoding PRO or the desired portion of the coding sequence of PRO such as the sequence encoding the extracellular domain of a transmembrane protein or the sequence encoding the mature protein if the protein is extracellular is amplified by PCR with primers complementary to the 5' and 3' regions. The 5' primer may incorporate flanking (selected) restriction enzyme sites. The product is then digested with those selected restriction enzymes and subcloned into the expression vector.

[0753] Recombinant baculovirus is generated by co-transfecting the above plasmid and BaculoGold™ virus DNA (Pharmingen) into *Spodoptera frugiperda* ("Sf9") cells (ATCC CRL 1711) using lipofectin (commercially available from GIBCO-BRL). After 4-5 days of incubation at 28° C., the released viruses are harvested and used for further amplifications. Viral infection and protein expression are performed as described by O'Reilley et al., *Baculovirus expression vectors: A Laboratory Manual*, Oxford: Oxford University Press (1994).

[0754] Expressed poly-his tagged PRO can then be purified, for example, by Ni²⁺-chelate affinity chromatography as follows. Extracts are prepared from recombinant virus-infected Sf9 cells as described by Rupert et al., *Nature*, 362:175-179 (1993). Briefly, Sf9 cells are washed, resuspended in sonication buffer (25 mL Hepes, pH 7.9; 12.5 mM MgCl₂; 0.1 mM EDTA; 10% glycerol; 0.1% NP-40; 0.4 M KCl), and sonicated twice for 20 seconds on ice. The sonicates are cleared by centrifugation, and the supernatant is diluted 50-fold in loading buffer (50 mM phosphate, 300 mM NaCl, 10% glycerol, pH 7.8) and filtered through a 0.45 μ m filter. A Ni²⁺-NTA agarose column (commercially available from Qiagen) is prepared with a bed volume of 5 mL, washed with 25 mL of water and equilibrated with 25 mL of loading buffer. The filtered cell extract is loaded onto the column at 0.5 mL per minute. The column is washed to baseline A₂₈₀ with loading buffer, at which point fraction collection is started. Next, the column is washed with a secondary wash buffer (50 mM phosphate; 300 mM NaCl, 10% glycerol, pH 6.0), which elutes nonspecifically bound protein. After reaching A₂₈₀ baseline again, the column is developed with a 0 to 500 mM Imidazole gradient in the secondary wash buffer. One mL fractions are collected and analyzed by SDS-PAGE and silver staining or Western blot with Ni²⁺-NTA-conjugated to alkaline phosphatase (Qiagen). Fractions containing the eluted His₁₀-tagged PRO are pooled and dialyzed against loading buffer.

[0755] Alternatively, purification of the IgG tagged (or Fc tagged) PRO can be performed using known chromatography techniques, including for instance, Protein A or protein G column chromatography.

[0756] Many of the PRO polypeptides disclosed herein were successfully expressed as described above.

Example 27

[0757] Preparation of Antibodies that Bind PRO

[0758] This example illustrates preparation of monoclonal antibodies which can specifically bind PRO.

[0759] Techniques for producing the monoclonal antibodies are known in the art and are described, for instance, in Goding, supra. Immunogens that may be employed include purified PRO, fusion proteins containing PRO, and cells expressing recombinant PRO on the cell surface. Selection of the immunogen can be made by the skilled artisan without undue experimentation.

[0760] Mice, such as Balb/c, are immunized with the PRO immunogen emulsified in complete Freund's adjuvant and injected subcutaneously or intraperitoneally in an amount from 1-100 micrograms. Alternatively, the immunogen is emulsified in MPL-TDM adjuvant (Ribi Immunochemical Research, Hamilton, Mont.) and injected into the animal's hind foot pads. The immunized mice are then boosted 10 to 12 days later with additional immunogen emulsified in the selected adjuvant. Thereafter, for several weeks, the mice may also be boosted with additional immunization injections. Serum samples may be periodically obtained from the mice by retro-orbital bleeding for testing in ELISA assays to detect anti-PRO antibodies.

[0761] After a suitable antibody titer has been detected, the animals "positive" for antibodies can be injected with a final intravenous injection of PRO. Three to four days later, the mice are sacrificed and the spleen cells are harvested. The spleen cells are then fused (using 35% polyethylene glycol) to a selected murine myeloma cell line such as P3X63AgU.1, available from ATCC, No. CRL 1597. The fusions generate hybridoma cells which can then be plated in 96 well tissue culture plates containing HAT (hypoxanthine, aminopterin, and thymidine) medium to inhibit proliferation of non-fused cells, myeloma hybrids, and spleen cell hybrids.

[0762] The hybridoma cells will be screened in an ELISA for reactivity against PRO. Determination of "positive" hybridoma cells secreting the desired monoclonal antibodies against PRO is within the skill in the art.

[0763] The positive hybridoma cells can be injected intraperitoneally into syngeneic Balb/c mice to produce ascites containing the anti-PRO monoclonal antibodies. Alternatively, the hybridoma cells can be grown in tissue culture flasks or roller bottles. Purification of the monoclonal antibodies produced in the ascites can be accomplished using ammonium sulfate precipitation, followed by gel exclusion chromatography. Alternatively, affinity chromatography based upon binding of antibody to protein A or protein G can be employed.

Example 28

[0764] Purification of PRO Polypeptides Using Specific Antibodies

[0765] Native or recombinant PRO polypeptides may be purified by a variety of standard techniques in the art of protein purification. For example, pro-PRO polypeptide, mature PRO polypeptide, or pre-PRO polypeptide is purified by immunoaffinity chromatography using antibodies specific for the PRO polypeptide of interest. In general, an immunoaffinity column is constructed by covalently coupling the anti-PRO polypeptide antibody to an activated chromatographic resin.

[0766] Polyclonal immunoglobulins are prepared from immune sera either by precipitation with ammonium sulfate or by purification on immobilized Protein A (Pharmacia LKB Biotechnology, Piscataway, N.J.). Likewise, monoclonal antibodies are prepared from mouse ascites fluid by ammonium sulfate precipitation or chromatography on immobilized Protein A. Partially purified immunoglobulin is covalently attached to a chromatographic resin such as CnBr-activated SEPHAROSE™ (Pharmacia LKB Biotechnology). The antibody is coupled to the resin, the resin is blocked, and the derivative resin is washed according to the manufacturer's instructions.

[0767] Such an immunoaffinity column is utilized in the purification of PRO polypeptide by preparing a fraction from cells containing PRO polypeptide in a soluble form. This preparation is derived by solubilization of the whole cell or of a subcellular fraction obtained via differential centrifugation by the addition of detergent or by other methods well known in the art. Alternatively, soluble PRO polypeptide containing a signal sequence may be secreted in useful quantity into the medium in which the cells are grown.

[0768] A soluble PRO polypeptide-containing preparation is passed over the immunoaffinity column, and the column is washed under conditions that allow the preferential absorbance of PRO polypeptide (e.g., high ionic strength buffers in the presence of detergent). Then, the column is eluted under conditions that disrupt antibody/PRO polypeptide binding (e.g., a low pH buffer such as approximately pH 2-3, or a high concentration of a chaotrope such as urea or thiocyanate ion), and PRO polypeptide is collected.

Example 29

[0769] Drug Screening

[0770] This invention is particularly useful for screening compounds by using PRO polypeptides or binding fragment thereof in any of a variety of drug screening techniques. The PRO polypeptide or fragment employed in such a test may either be free in solution, affixed to a solid support, borne on a cell surface, or located intracellularly. One method of drug screening utilizes eukaryotic or prokaryotic host cells which are stably transformed with recombinant nucleic acids expressing the PRO polypeptide or fragment. Drugs are screened against such transformed cells in competitive binding assays. Such cells, either in viable or fixed form, can be used for standard binding assays. One may measure, for example, the formation of complexes between PRO polypeptide or a fragment and the agent being tested. Alternatively, one can examine the diminution in complex formation between the PRO polypeptide and its target cell or target receptors caused by the agent being tested.

[0771] Thus, the present invention provides methods of screening for drugs or any other agents which can affect a PRO polypeptide-associated disease or disorder. These methods comprise contacting such an agent with an PRO polypeptide or fragment thereof and assaying (i) for the presence of a complex between the agent and the PRO polypeptide or fragment, or (ii) for the presence of a complex between the PRO polypeptide or fragment and the cell, by methods well known in the art. In such competitive binding assays, the PRO polypeptide or fragment is typically labeled. After suitable incubation, free PRO polypeptide or fragment is separated from that present in bound form, and the amount of free or uncomplexed label is a measure of the ability of the particular agent to bind to PRO polypeptide or to interfere with the PRO polypeptide/cell complex.

[0772] Another technique for drug screening provides high throughput screening for compounds having suitable binding affinity to a polypeptide and is described in detail in WO 84/03564, published on Sept. 13, 1984. Briefly stated, large numbers of different small peptide test compounds are synthesized on a solid substrate, such as plastic pins or some other surface. As applied to a PRO polypeptide, the peptide test compounds are reacted with PRO polypeptide and washed. Bound PRO polypeptide is detected by methods well known in the art. Purified PRO polypeptide can also be coated directly onto plates for use in the aforementioned drug screening techniques. In addition, non-neutralizing antibodies can be used to capture the peptide and immobilize it on the solid support.

[0773] This invention also contemplates the use of competitive drug screening assays in which neutralizing antibodies capable of binding PRO polypeptide specifically compete with a test compound for binding to PRO polypeptide or fragments thereof. In this manner, the antibodies can be used to detect the presence of any peptide which shares one or more antigenic determinants with PRO polypeptide.

Example 30

[0774] Rational Drug Design

[0775] The goal of rational drug design is to produce structural analogs of biologically active polypeptide of interest (i.e., a PRO polypeptide) or of small molecules with which they interact, e.g., agonists, antagonists, or inhibitors. Any of these examples can be used to design drugs which are more active or stable forms of the PRO polypeptide or which enhance or interfere with the function of the PRO polypeptide in vivo (c.f., Hodgson, *Bio/Technology*, 9: 19-21 (1991)).

[0776] In one approach, the three-dimensional structure of the PRO polypeptide, or of an PRO polypeptide-inhibitor complex, is determined by x-ray crystallography, by computer modeling or, most typically, by a combination of the two approaches. Both the shape and charges of the PRO polypeptide must be ascertained to elucidate the structure and to determine active site(s) of the molecule. Less often, useful information regarding the structure of the PRO polypeptide may be gained by modeling based on the structure of homologous proteins. In both cases, relevant structural information is used to design analogous PRO polypeptide-like molecules or to identify efficient inhibitors. Useful examples of rational drug design may include molecules which have improved activity or stability as shown by Braxton and Wells, *Biochemistry*, 31:7796-7801 (1992) or

which act as inhibitors, agonists, or antagonists of native peptides as shown by Athauda et al., *J. Biochem.*, 113:742-746 (1993).

[0777] It is also possible to isolate a target-specific antibody, selected by functional assay, as described above, and then to solve its crystal structure. This approach, in principle, yields a pharmacore upon which subsequent drug design can be based. It is possible to bypass protein crystallography altogether by generating anti-idiotypic antibodies (anti-ids) to a functional, pharmacologically active antibody. As a mirror image of a mirror image, the binding site of the anti-ids would be expected to be an analog of the original receptor. The anti-id could then be used to identify and isolate peptides from banks of chemically or biologically produced peptides. The isolated peptides would then act as the pharmacore.

[0778] By virtue of the present invention, sufficient amounts of the PRO polypeptide may be made available to perform such analytical studies as X-ray crystallography. In addition, knowledge of the PRO polypeptide amino acid sequence provided herein will provide guidance to those employing computer modeling techniques in place of or in addition to x-ray crystallography.

[0779] Deposit of Material

[0780] The following materials have been deposited with the American Type Culture Collection, 12301 Parklawn Drive, Rockville, Md., USA (ATCC):

Material	ATCC Dep. No.	Deposit Date
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[0781] These deposit were made under the provisions of the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the

Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purpose of Patent Procedure and the Regulations thereunder (Budapest Treaty). This assures maintenance of a viable culture of the deposit for 30 years from the date of deposit. The deposits will be made available by ATCC under the terms of the Budapest Treaty, and subject to an agreement between Genentech, Inc. and ATCC, which assures permanent and unrestricted availability of the progeny of the culture of the deposit to the public upon issuance of the pertinent U.S. patent or upon laying open to the public of any U.S. or foreign patent application, whichever comes first, and assures availability of the progeny to one determined by the U.S. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to be entitled thereto according to 35 USC §122 and the Commissioner's rules pursuant thereto (including 37 CFR §1.14 with particular reference to 886 OG 638).

[0782] The assignee of the present application has agreed that if a culture of the materials on deposit should die or be lost or destroyed when cultivated under suitable conditions, the materials will be promptly replaced on notification with another of the same. Availability of the deposited material is not to be construed as a license to practice the invention in contravention of the rights granted under the authority of any government in accordance with its patent laws.

[0783] The foregoing written specification is considered to be sufficient to enable one skilled in the art to practice the invention. The present invention is not to be limited in scope by the construct deposited, since the deposited embodiment is intended as a single illustration of certain aspects of the invention and any constructs that are functionally equivalent are within the scope of this invention. The deposit of material herein does not constitute an admission that the written description herein contained is inadequate to enable the practice of any aspect of the invention, including the best mode thereof, nor is it to be construed as limiting the scope of the claims to the specific illustrations that it represents. Indeed, various modifications of the invention in addition to those shown and described herein will become apparent to those skilled in the art from the foregoing description and fall within the scope of the appended claims.

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Ala Pro Gln Pro Pro Ala Asp Pro Gly Ser Leu Arg Cys Pro Val	125	130	135
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Gly Gln Val Cys Gln Glu Thr Leu Leu Leu Ile Asp Val Gly Leu	245	250	255
Thr Ser Thr Leu Val Gly Thr Lys Gly Cys Ser Thr Val Gly Ala	260	265	270
Gln Asn Ser Gln Lys Thr Thr Ile His Ser Ala Pro Pro Gly Val	275	280	285
Leu Val Ala Ser Tyr Thr His Phe Cys Ser Ser Asp Leu Cys Asn	290	295	300
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Ala Ala Pro Val Pro Gly Asp Arg Gln Cys Pro Thr Cys Val Gln	320	325	330
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Gly Gly Leu Ser Thr Lys Met Ser Ile Gln Gly Cys Val Ala Gln	365	370	375
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Ser Ala Arg Glu Lys Arg Asp Val Gln Pro Pro Ala Ser Gln His	395	400	405
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Val	Pro	Val	Asn	Asp	Leu	Asn	Ala	Asp	Leu	Ile	Gln	Val	Ala	Phe
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What is claimed is:

1. Isolated nucleic acid having at least 80% nucleic acid sequence identity to a nucleotide sequence that encodes an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of the amino acid sequence shown in **FIG. 2** (SEQ ID NO:2), **FIG. 4** (SEQ ID NO:7), **FIG. 6** (SEQ ID NO:9), **FIG. 8** (SEQ ID NO:11), **FIG. 10** (SEQ ID NO:16), **FIG. 12** (SEQ ID NO:18), **FIG. 14** (SEQ ID NO:20), **FIG. 16** (SEQ ID NO:22), and **FIG. 18** (SEQ ID NO:24).

2. Isolated nucleic acid having at least 80% nucleic acid sequence identity to a nucleotide sequence selected from the group consisting of the nucleotide sequence shown in **FIG. 1** (SEQ ID NO:1), **FIG. 3** (SEQ ID NO:6), **FIG. 5** (SEQ ID NO:8), **FIG. 7** (SEQ ID NO:10), **FIG. 9** (SEQ ID NO:15), **FIG. 11** (SEQ ID NO:17), **FIG. 13** (SEQ ID NO:19), **FIG. 15** (SEQ ID NO:21) and **FIG. 17** (SEQ ID NO:23).

3. Isolated nucleic acid having at least 80% nucleic acid sequence identity to a nucleotide sequence selected from the group consisting of the full-length coding sequence of the nucleotide sequence shown in **FIG. 1** (SEQ ID NO:1), **FIG. 3** (SEQ ID NO:6), **FIG. 5** (SEQ ID NO:8), **FIG. 7** (SEQ ID NO:10), **FIG. 9** (SEQ ID NO:15), **FIG. 11** (SEQ ID NO:17), **FIG. 13** (SEQ ID NO:19), **FIG. 15** (SEQ ID NO:21) and **FIG. 17** (SEQ ID NO:23).

4. Isolated nucleic acid having at least 80% nucleic acid sequence identity to the full-length coding sequence of the DNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203538, 203661, 203583, 203657, 203576, 203573, 203553, 203651 and 203537.

5. A vector comprising the nucleic acid of any one of claims 1 to 4.

6. The vector of claim 5 operably linked to control sequences recognized by a host cell transformed with the vector.

7. A host cell comprising the vector of claim 5.

8. The host cell of claim 7, wherein said cell is a CHO cell.

9. The host cell of claim 7, wherein said cell is an *E. coli*.

10. The host cell of claim 7, wherein said cell is a yeast cell.

11. A process for producing a PRO polypeptides comprising culturing the host cell of claim 7 under conditions suitable for expression of said PRO polypeptide and recovering said PRO polypeptide from the cell culture.

12. An isolated polypeptide having at least 80% amino acid sequence identity to an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of the amino acid sequence shown in **FIG. 2** (SEQ ID NO:2), **FIG. 4** (SEQ ID NO:7), **FIG. 6** (SEQ ID NO:9), **FIG. 8** (SEQ ID NO:11), **FIG. 10** (SEQ ID NO:16), **FIG. 12** (SEQ ID NO:18), **FIG. 14** (SEQ ID NO:20), **FIG. 16** (SEQ ID NO:22), and **FIG. 18** (SEQ ID NO:24).

13. An isolated polypeptide scoring at least 80% positives when compared to an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of the amino acid sequence shown in **FIG. 2** (SEQ ID NO:2), **FIG. 4** (SEQ ID NO:7), **FIG. 6** (SEQ ID NO:9), **FIG. 8** (SEQ ID NO:11), **FIG. 10** (SEQ ID NO:16), **FIG. 12** (SEQ ID NO:18), **FIG. 14** (SEQ ID NO:20), **FIG. 16** (SEQ ID NO:22), and **FIG. 18** (SEQ ID NO:24).

14. An isolated polypeptide having at least 80% amino acid sequence identity to an amino acid sequence encoded by the full-length coding sequence of the DNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203538, 203661, 203583, 203657, 203576, 203573, 203553, 203651 and 203537.

15. A chimeric molecule comprising a polypeptide according to any one of claims 12 to 14 fused to a heterologous amino acid sequence.

16. The chimeric molecule of claim 15, wherein said heterologous amino acid sequence is an epitope tag sequence.

17. The chimeric molecule of claim 15, wherein said heterologous amino acid sequence is a Fc region of an immunoglobulin.

18. An antibody which specifically binds to a polypeptide according to any one of claims 12 to 14.

19. The antibody of claim 18, wherein said antibody is a monoclonal antibody, a humanized antibody or a single-chain antibody.

20. Isolated nucleic acid having at least 80% nucleic acid sequence identity to:

(a) a nucleotide sequence encoding the polypeptide shown in **FIG. 2** (SEQ ID NO:2), **FIG. 4** (SEQ ID NO:7), **FIG. 6** (SEQ ID NO:9), **FIG. 8** (SEQ ID NO:11), **FIG. 10** (SEQ ID NO:16), **FIG. 12** (SEQ ID NO:18), **FIG. 14** (SEQ ID NO:20), **FIG. 16** (SEQ ID NO:22), or **FIG. 18** (SEQ ID NO:24), lacking its associated signal peptide;

(b) a nucleotide sequence encoding an extracellular domain of the polypeptide shown in **FIG. 2** (SEQ ID NO:2), **FIG. 4** (SEQ ID NO:7), **FIG. 6** (SEQ ID NO:9), **FIG. 8** (SEQ ID NO:11), **FIG. 10** (SEQ ID NO:16), **FIG. 12** (SEQ ID NO:18), **FIG. 14** (SEQ ID NO:20), **FIG. 16** (SEQ ID NO:22), or **FIG. 18** (SEQ ID NO:24), with its associated signal peptide; or

(c) a nucleotide sequence encoding an extracellular domain of the polypeptide shown in **FIG. 2** (SEQ ID NO:2), **FIG. 4** (SEQ ID NO:7), **FIG. 6** (SEQ ID NO:9), **FIG. 8** (SEQ ID NO:11), **FIG. 10** (SEQ ID NO:16), **FIG. 12** (SEQ ID NO:18), **FIG. 14** (SEQ ID NO:20), **FIG. 16** (SEQ ID NO:22), or **FIG. 18** (SEQ ID NO:24), lacking its associated signal peptide.

21. An isolated polypeptide having at least 80% amino acid sequence identity to:

(a) the polypeptide shown in **FIG. 2** (SEQ ID NO:2), **FIG. 4** (SEQ ID NO:7), **FIG. 6** (SEQ ID NO:9), **FIG. 8** (SEQ ID NO:11), **FIG. 10** (SEQ ID NO:16), **FIG. 12** (SEQ ID NO:18), **FIG. 14** (SEQ ID NO:20), **FIG. 16** (SEQ ID NO:22), or **FIG. 18** (SEQ ID NO:24), lacking its associated signal peptide;

(b) an extracellular domain of the polypeptide shown in **FIG. 2** (SEQ ID NO:2), **FIG. 4** (SEQ ID NO:7), **FIG. 6** (SEQ ID NO:9), **FIG. 8** (SEQ ID NO:11), **FIG. 10** (SEQ ID NO:16), **FIG. 12** (SEQ ID NO:18), **FIG. 14** (SEQ ID NO:20), **FIG. 16** (SEQ ID NO:22), or **FIG. 18** (SEQ ID NO:24), with its associated signal peptide; or

(c) an extracellular domain of the polypeptide shown in **FIG. 2** (SEQ ID NO:2), **FIG. 4** (SEQ ID NO:7), **FIG. 6** (SEQ ID NO:9), **FIG. 8** (SEQ ID NO:11), **FIG. 10** (SEQ ID NO:16), **FIG. 12** (SEQ ID NO:18), **FIG. 14** (SEQ ID NO:20), **FIG. 16** (SEQ ID NO:22), or **FIG. 18** (SEQ ID NO:24), lacking its associated signal peptide.

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