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STREPTOCOCCUS PYOGENES ANTIGENS5 FIELD OF THE INVENTION

The present invention is related to antigens, more particularly a polypeptide antigen of Streptococcus pyogenes (also called group A Streptococcus (GAS)) bacterial pathogen which may be useful for prophylaxis, diagnostic and/or therapy of streptococcal infection.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Streptococci are gram (+) bacteria which are differentiated by group specific carbohydrate antigens A through O which are found at the cell surface. Streptococcus pyogenes isolates are further distinguished by type-specific M protein antigens. M proteins are important virulence factors which are highly variable both in molecular weights and in sequences. Indeed, more than 80-M protein types have been identified on the basis of antigenic differences.

Streptococcus pyogenes is responsible for many diverse infection types, including pharyngitis, erysipelas and impetigo, scarlet fever, and invasive diseases such as bacteremia and necrotizing fasciitis and also toxic shock. A resurgence of invasive disease in recent years has been documented in many countries, including those in North America and Europe. Although the organism is sensitive to antibiotics, the high attack rate and rapid onset of sepsis results in high morbidity and mortality.

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To develop a vaccine that will protect individuals from Streptococcus pyogenes infection, efforts have concentrated on virulence factors such as the type-specific M proteins. However, the amino-terminal portion of M proteins was found to induce cross-reactive antibodies which reacted with human myocardium, tropomyosin, myosin, and vimentin, which might be implicated in

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autoimmune diseases. Others have used recombinant techniques to produce complex hybrid proteins containing amino-terminal peptides of M proteins from different serotypes. However, a safe vaccine containing all Streptococcus pyogenes serotypes will be highly complex to produce and standardize.

In addition to the serotype-specific antigens, other Streptococcus pyogenes proteins have generated interest as potential vaccine candidates. The C5a peptidase, which is expressed by at least Streptococcus pyogenes 40 serotypes, was shown to be immunogenic in mice, but its capacity to reduce the level of nasopharyngeal colonization was limited. Other investigators have also focused on the streptococcal pyrogenic exotoxins which appear to play an important role in pathogenesis of infection. Immunization with these proteins prevented the deadly symptoms of toxic shock, but did not prevent colonization.

Therefore there remains an unmet need for *Streptococcus pyogenes* antigens that may be used vaccine components for prophylaxis, diagnostic and/or therapy of *Streptococcus* infection.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

According to one aspect, the present invention provides an isolated polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide having at least 70% identity to a second polypeptide comprising a sequence chosen from SEQ ID NOs: 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 20 or fragments, analogues or derivatives thereof.

According to one aspect, the present invention provides an isolated polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide having at least 95% identity to a second polypeptide comprising a sequence chosen from SEQ ID NOs: 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 20 or fragments, analogues or derivatives thereof.

In other aspects, there are provided novel polypeptides encoded

by polynucleotides of the invention, vectors comprising polynucleotides of the invention operably linked to an expression control region, as well as host cells transfected with said vectors, pharmaceutical or vaccine compositions and
5 methods of producing polypeptides comprising culturing said host cells under conditions suitable for expression.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

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Figure 1 is the DNA sequence of BVH-P1 gene from serotype 3 S. pyogenes strain ATCC12384 with a secretion signal at position 1 to 75; **SEQ ID NO:1.**

15 Figure 2 is the amino acid sequence BVH-P1 protein from serotype 3 S. pyogenes strain ATCC12384 with a secretion signal at position 1 to 25; **SEQ ID NO:2.**

Figure 3 is the DNA sequence of BVH-P1 gene from S. pyogenes
20 strain LSPQ2699(ATCC19615) with a secretion signal at position 1 to 75; **SEQ ID NO:3.**

Figure 4 is the amino acid sequence BVH-P1 protein from S. pyogenes strain LSPQ2699(ATCC19615) with a secretion signal at position 1 to
25 **SEQ ID NO:4.**

Figure 5 is the DNA sequence of BVH-P1 gene from S. pyogenes strain SPY57 with a secretion signal at position 1 to 75; **SEQ ID NO:5.**

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Figure 6 is the amino acid sequence BVH-P1 protein from S. pyogenes strain SPY57 with a secretion signal at position 1 to 25; **SEQ ID NO:6.**

Figure 7 is the DNA sequence of BVH-P1 gene from S. pyogenes strain B514 with a secretion signal at position 1 to 75; **SEQ ID NO:7.**

- 5 Figure 8 is the amino acid sequence BVH-P1 protein from S. pyogenes strain B514 with a secretion signal at position 1 to 25; **SEQ ID NO:8.**

- 10 Figure 9 is the DNA sequence BVH-P1 gene without a secretion signal from serotype 3 S.pyogenes strain ATCC12384 ; **SEQ ID NO:9.**

- 15 Figure 10 is the amino acid sequence BVH-P1 protein without a secretion signal from serotype 3 S.pyogenes strain ATCC12384 ; **SEQ ID NO:10.**

- 20 Figure 11 is the DNA sequence BVH-P1 gene without a secretion signal from serotype 3 S.pyogenes strain LSPQ2699 (ATCC19615) ; **SEQ ID NO:11.**

- Figure 12 is the amino acid sequence BVH-P1 protein without a secretion signal from serotype 3 S.pyogenes strain LSPQ2699 (ATCC19615) ; **SEQ ID NO:12.**

- 25 Figure 13 is the DNA sequence BVH-P1 gene without a secretion signal from serotype 3 S.pyogenes strain SPY57 ; **SEQ ID NO:13.**

- 30 Figure 14 is the amino acid sequence BVH-P1 protein without a secretion signal from serotype 3 S.pyogenes strain SPY57 ; **SEQ ID NO:14.**

Figure 15 is the DNA sequence BVH-P1 gene without a secretion signal from serotype 3 S.pyogenes strain B514 ; **SEQ ID NO:15.**

Figure 16 is the amino acid sequence BVH-P1 protein without a secretion signal from serotype 3 S.pyogenes strain B514 ; SEQ ID NO:16.

5 Figure 17 depicts the comparison of the nucleotide sequences of the BVH-P1 genes from ATCC12384, LSPQ2699(ATCC19615), SPY57, B514, ATCC 70029 (Oklahoma) and T28/51/4 (U09352) S. pyogenes strains by using the program Clustal W from MacVector sequence analysis software (version 6.5). Underneath the alignment, there
10 is a consensus line. Shaded nucleotides are identical between every sequences and gaps in the sequence introduced by alignment are indicated by hyphens.

Figure 18 depicts the comparison of the predicted amino acid
15 sequences of the BVH-P1 open reading frames from ATCC12384, LSPQ2699(ATCC19615), SPY57, B514, ATCC 70029 (Oklahoma) and T28/51/4 (U09352) S. pyogenes strains by using the program Clustal W from MacVector sequence analysis software (version 6.5). Underneath the alignment, there is a consensus
20 line. Shaded amino acid residues are identical between every sequences and gaps in the sequence introduced by alignment are indicated by hyphens.

Figure 19 is the DNA sequence of a gene from S. pneumonia; SEQ
25 ID NO:17.

Figure 20 is the amino acid sequence of a protein from S. pneumonia; SEQ ID NO:18.

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

According to one aspect, the present invention provides an isolated polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide having at least 70% identity to a second polypeptide comprising a sequence
35 chosen from SEQ ID NOs: 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 20 or fragments, analogues or derivatives thereof.

According to one aspect, the present invention provides an isolated polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide having at least 95% identity to a second polypeptide comprising a sequence
 5 chosen from SEQ ID NOS: 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 20 or fragments, analogues or derivatives thereof.

According to one aspect, the present invention relates to polypeptides characterized by the amino acid sequence comprising
 10 SEQ ID NOS: 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 20 or fragments, analogues or derivatives thereof.

According to one aspect, the present invention provides an isolated polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide capable of
 15 generating antibodies having binding specificity for a polypeptide comprising a sequence chosen from SEQ ID NOS: 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 20 or fragments, analogues or derivatives thereof.

20 In accordance with the present invention, there is provided a consensus nucleotide sequence depicted in Figure 17. As can be seen by the alignment, the polynucleotide encoding the polypeptide of the invention is well conserved. Without restricting the scope of the invention, the following table 1
 25 shows the possible modifications. SEQ ID NO:19 covers the consensus nucleotide sequence depicted in Figure 17 with the modifications illustrated in Table 1:

Position on alignment in Figure 17	Possible nucleotide
21	C or T
53	C or T
69	G or A
103	G or C
149	C or T

150	A or T
195	G or A
244	T or C
273	A or C
282	T or C
302	C or A
318	A or G
334	G or T
394	C or T
400	G or A
415	C or T
428-448	[CTGATGTCCCAACGACACCAT] or none
450	C or A
473	C or T
501	G or A
527	T or C
572	T or A
573	T or A
595	A or C
596	C or G
597	G or C
630	A or G
632	A or C
633	C or T
634	C or T
665	A or G
666	G or A
683	T or C
708	C or T
733	[CAGATGTAACT] or none
798	T or C
883	G or none
927	T or A

930	T or C
943	T or none
952	T or A
955	G or A
964	T or C
973	G or A
976	T or G
978	A or T
979	A or T
981	A or G
982	T or C
986	G or A
988	T or G
1033	G or C
1034	C or G
1102	C or T
1143	A or T
1144	A or T
1145	A or T
1146	A or T

In accordance with the present invention, there is provided a consensus amino acid sequence depicted in Figure 18. As can be seen by the alignment, the polypeptide of the invention is well conserved. Without restricting the scope of the invention, the following table 2 shows the possible modifications. SEQ ID NO:20 covers the consensus nucleotide sequence depicted in Figure 18 with the modifications illustrated in Table 2:

Position on alignment in Figure 18	Possible amino acid
18	A or V
35	E or Q
50	T or I
101	T or N
112	A or S
132	P or S
134	V or I
139	S or P
143 to 149	SDVPTTP or none
150	F or L
158	S or F
176	L or s
191	V or E
199	T or P or S
211	D or A
212	P or S
222	E or G
228	V or A
242 to 245	ETSQ or none
246	E or M
247	T or L
248	S or T
295	A or L
296	S or L
297	A or P
298	F or L
299	G or V
300	I or L
301	T or R
302	S or H
303	F or L

304	S or V
305	G or V
306	Y or T
307	R or V
308	P or Q
309	G or E
310	D or I
311	P or Q
312	G or E
313	D or I
314	H or I
326	E or V
327	N or S
329	A or T
344	E or D
345	R or G
380	E or V
381	N or F

In accordance with the present invention, all polynucleotides encoding polypeptides are within the scope of the present
5 invention.

In a further embodiment, the polypeptides in accordance with the present invention are antigenic.

10 In a further embodiment, the polypeptides in accordance with the present invention are immunogenic.

In a further embodiment, the polypeptides in accordance with the present invention can elicit an immune response in an
15 individual.

In a further embodiment, the present invention also relates to

polypeptides which are able to raise antibodies having binding specificity to the polypeptides of the present invention as defined above.

- 5 An antibody that "has binding specificity" is an antibody that recognizes and binds the selected polypeptide but which does not substantially recognize and bind other molecules in a sample, e.g., a biological sample. Specific binding can be measured using an ELISA assay in which the selected polypeptide is used
10 as an antigen.

In accordance with the present invention, "protection" in the biological studies is defined by a significant increase in the survival curve, rate or period. Statistical analysis using the
15 Log rank test to compare survival curves, and Fisher exact test to compare survival rates and numbers of days to death, respectively, might be useful to calculate P values and determine whether the difference between the two groups is statistically significant. P values of 0.05 are regarded as not
20 significant.

As used herein, "fragments", "analogues" or "derivatives" of the polypeptides of the invention include those polypeptides in which one or more of the amino acid residues are substituted
25 with a conserved or non-conserved amino acid residue (preferably conserved) and which may be natural or unnatural. In one embodiment, derivatives and analogues of polypeptides of the invention will have about 70% identity with those sequences illustrated in the figures or fragments thereof. That is, 70%
30 of the residues are the same. In a further embodiment, polypeptides will have greater than 75% homology. In a further embodiment, polypeptides will have greater than 80% homology. In a further embodiment, polypeptides will have greater than 85% homology. In a further embodiment, polypeptides will have
35 greater than 90% homology. In a further embodiment, polypeptides will have greater than 95% homology. In a further embodiment,

- polypeptides will have greater than 99% homology. In a further embodiment, derivatives and analogues of polypeptides of the invention will have less than about 20 amino acid residue substitutions, modifications or deletions and more preferably less than 10. Preferred substitutions are those known in the art as conserved i.e. the substituted residues share physical or chemical properties such as hydrophobicity, size, charge or functional groups.
- 10 The skilled person will appreciate that fragments, analogues or derivatives of the proteins or polypeptides of the invention will also find use in the context of the present invention, i.e. as antigenic/immunogenic material. Thus, for instance proteins or polypeptides which include one or more additions, deletions, 15 substitutions or the like are encompassed by the present invention. In addition, it may be possible to replace one amino acid with another of similar "type". For instance replacing one hydrophobic amino acid with another hydrophobic amino acid.
- 20 One can use a program such as the CLUSTAL program to compare amino acid sequences. This program compares amino acid sequences and finds the optimal alignment by inserting spaces in either sequence as appropriate. It is possible to calculate amino acid identity or similarity (identity plus conservation of 25 amino acid type) for an optimal alignment. A program like BLASTx will align the longest stretch of similar sequences and assign a value to the fit. It is thus possible to obtain a comparison where several regions of similarity are found, each having a different score. Both types of identity analysis are 30 contemplated in the present invention.

In an alternative approach, the analogues or derivatives could be fusion proteins, incorporating moieties which render purification easier, for example by effectively tagging the 35 desired protein or polypeptide, it may be necessary to remove

the "tag" or it may be the case that the fusion protein itself retains sufficient antigenicity to be useful.

In an additional aspect of the invention there are provided
5 antigenic/immunogenic fragments of the proteins or polypeptides of the invention, or of analogues or derivatives thereof.

The fragments of the present invention should include one or more epitopic regions or be sufficiently similar to such regions
10 to retain their antigenic/immunogenic properties. Thus, for fragments according to the present invention the degree of identity is perhaps irrelevant, since they may be 100% identical to a particular part of a protein or polypeptide, homologue or derivative as described herein. The key issue, once again, is
15 that the fragment retains the antigenic/immunogenic properties.

Thus, what is important for analogues, derivatives and fragments is that they possess at least a degree of the antigenicity/immunogenic of the protein or polypeptide from
20 which they are derived.

Also included are polypeptides which have fused thereto other compounds which alter the polypeptides biological or pharmacological properties i.e. polyethylene glycol (PEG) to
25 increase half-life; leader or secretory amino acid sequences for ease of purification; prepro- and pro- sequences; and (poly)saccharides.

Furthermore, in those situations where amino acid regions are
30 found to be polymorphic, it may be desirable to vary one or more particular amino acids to more effectively mimic the different epitopes of the different streptococcus strains.

Moreover, the polypeptides of the present invention can be
35 modified by terminal -NH₂ acylation (eg. by acetylation, or

thioglycolic acid amidation, terminal carbosy amidation, e.g. with ammonia or methylamine) to provide stability, increased hydrophobicity for linking or binding to a support or other molecule.

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Also contemplated are hetero and homo polypeptide multimers of the polypeptide fragments, analogues and derivatives. These polymeric forms include, for example, one or more polypeptides that have been cross-linked with cross-linkers such as
10 avidin/biotin, gluteraldehyde or dimethylsuberimidate. Such polymeric forms also include polypeptides containing two or more tandem or inverted contiguous sequences, produced from multicistronic mRNAs generated by recombinant DNA technology.

15 Preferably, a fragment, analog or derivative of a polypeptide of the invention will comprise at least one antigenic region i.e. at least one epitope.

In order to achieve the formation of antigenic polymers (i.e. synthetic multimers), polypeptides may be utilized having
20 bishaloacetyl groups, nitroarylhalides, or the like, where the reagents being specific for thio groups. Therefore, the link between two mercapto groups of the different peptides may be a single bond or may be composed of a linking group of at least
25 two, typically at least four, and not more than 16, but usually not more than about 14 carbon atoms.

In a particular embodiment, polypeptide fragments, analogues and derivatives of the invention do not contain a methionine (Met)
30 starting residue. Preferably, polypeptides will not incorporate a leader or secretory sequence (signal sequence). The signal portion of a polypeptide of the invention may be determined according to established molecular biological techniques. In general, the polypeptide of interest may be isolated from a
35 streptococcal culture and subsequently sequenced to determine the initial residue of the mature protein and therefore the

sequence of the mature polypeptide.

According to another aspect, there are provided vaccine compositions comprising one or more streptococcal polypeptides
5 of the invention in admixture with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier diluent or adjuvant. Suitable adjuvants include oils i.e. Freund's complete or incomplete adjuvant; salts i.e. $\text{AlK}(\text{SO}_4)_2$, $\text{AlNa}(\text{SO}_4)_2$, $\text{AlNH}_4(\text{SO}_4)_2$, silica, kaolin, carbon polynucleotides i.e. poly IC and poly AU. Preferred adjuvants
10 include QuilA and Alhydrogel. Vaccines of the invention may be administered parenterally by injection, rapid infusion, nasopharyngeal absorption, dermoabsorption, or bucal or oral. Pharmaceutically acceptable carriers also include tetanus toxoid.

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The term vaccine is also meant to include antibodies. In accordance with the present invention, there is also provided the use of one or more antibodies having binding specificity for the polypeptides of the present invention for the treatment or
20 prophylaxis of streptococcus infection and/or diseases and symptoms mediated by streptococcus infection.

Vaccine compositions of the invention are used for the treatment or prophylaxis of streptococcal infection and/or diseases and
25 symptoms mediated by streptococcal infection As described in P.R. Murray (Ed, in chief), E.J. Baron, M.A. Pfaller, F.C. Tenover and R.H. Tenover. Manual of Clinical Microbiology, ASM Press, Washington, D.C. sixth edition, 1995, 1482p which are herein incorporated by reference. In one embodiment, vaccine
30 compositions of the present invention are used for the prophylaxis or treatment of pharyngitis, erysipelas and impetigo, scarlet fever, and invasive diseases such as bacteremia and necrotizing fasciitis and also toxic shock. In one embodiment, vaccine compositions of the invention are used
35 for the prophylaxis or treatment of *streptococcus* infection and/or diseases and symptoms mediated by *streptococcus*

infection, in particular group A *streptococcus* (*pyogenes*), group B *streptococcus* (GBS or *agalactiae*), *S.pneumoniae*, *dysgalactiae*, *uberis*, *nocardia* as well as *Staphylococcus aureus*. In a further embodiment, the streptococcus infection is Streptococcus
5 pyogenes.

In a particular embodiment, vaccines are administered to those individuals at risk of streptococcus infection such as infants, elderly and immunocompromised individuals.

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As used in the present application, the term " individuals" include mammals. In a further embodiment, the mammal is human.

Vaccine compositions are preferably in unit dosage form of about
15 0.001 to 100 µg/kg (antigen/body weight) and more preferably 0.01 to 10 µg/kg and most preferably 0.1 to 1 µg/kg 1 to 3 times with an interval of about 1 to 6 week intervals between immunizations.

20 Vaccine compositions are preferably in unit dosage form of about 0.1 µg to 10 mg and more preferably 1µg to 1 mg and most preferably 10 to 100 µg 1 to 3 times with an interval of about 1 to 6 week intervals between immunizations.

25 According to another aspect, there are provided polynucleotides encoding polypeptides characterized by the amino acid sequence chosen from SEQ ID NOs: 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 20 or fragments, analogues or derivatives thereof.

30 In one embodiment, polynucleotides are those illustrated in SEQ ID NOs: 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 19 which may include the open reading frames (ORF), encoding polypeptides of the invention.

It will be appreciated that the polynucleotide sequences
35 illustrated in the figures may be altered with degenerate codons

yet still encode the polypeptides of the invention. Accordingly the present invention further provides polynucleotides which hybridize to the polynucleotide sequences herein above described (or the complement sequences thereof) having 50% identity
5 between sequences. In one embodiment, at least 70% identity between sequences. In one embodiment, at least 75% identity between sequences. In one embodiment, at least 80% identity between sequences. In one embodiment, at least 85% identity between sequences. In one embodiment, at least 90% identity
10 between sequences. In a further embodiment, polynucleotides are hybridizable under stringent conditions i.e. having at least 95% identity. In a further embodiment, more than 97% identity.

Suitable stringent conditions for hybridation can be readily
15 determined by one of skilled in the art (see for example Sambrook et al., (1989) Molecular cloning : A Laboratory Manual, 2nd ed, Cold Spring Harbor, N.Y.; Current Protocols in Molecular Biology, (1999) Edited by Ausubel F.M. et al., John Wiley & Sons, Inc., N.Y.).

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In a further embodiment, the present invention provides polynucleotides that hybridise under stringent conditions to either

- (a) a DNA sequence encoding a polypeptide or
 - 25 (b) the complement of a DNA sequence encoding a polypeptide;
- wherein said polypeptide comprising a sequence chosen from **SEQ ID NOs: 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 20** or fragments or analogues thereof.

30 In a further embodiment, the present invention provides polynucleotides that hybridise under stringent conditions to either

- (a) a DNA sequence encoding a polypeptide or
 - (b) the complement of a DNA sequence encoding a polypeptide;
- 35 wherein said polypeptide comprises at least 10 contiguous amino acid residues from a polypeptide comprising a sequence chosen from

SEQ ID NOS: 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 20 or fragments or analogues thereof.

In a further embodiment, polynucleotides are those encoding
5 polypeptides of the invention illustrated in SEQ ID NOS: 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 20.

In a further embodiment, polynucleotides are those illustrated
in SEQ ID NOS : 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 19 encoding
10 polypeptides of the invention.

As will be readily appreciated by one skilled in the art, polynucleotides include both DNA and RNA.

15 The present invention also includes polynucleotides complementary to the polynucleotides described in the present application.

In a further aspect, polynucleotides encoding polypeptides of
20 the invention, or fragments, analogues or derivatives thereof, may be used in a DNA immunization method. That is, they can be incorporated into a vector which is replicable and expressible upon injection thereby producing the antigenic polypeptide in vivo. For example polynucleotides may be incorporated into a
25 plasmid vector under the control of the CMV promoter which is functional in eukaryotic cells. Preferably the vector is injected intramuscularly.

According to another aspect, there is provided a process for
30 producing polypeptides of the invention by recombinant techniques by expressing a polynucleotide encoding said polypeptide in a host cell and recovering the expressed polypeptide product. Alternatively, the polypeptides can be produced according to established synthetic chemical techniques
35 i.e. solution phase or solid phase synthesis of oligopeptides which are ligated to produce the full polypeptide (block

ligation).

General methods for obtention and evaluation of polynucleotides and polypeptides are described in the following references:

- 5 Sambrook et al, Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual, 2nd ed, Cold Spring Harbor, N.Y., 1989; Current Protocols in Molecular Biology, Edited by Ausubel F.M. et al., John Wiley and Sons, Inc. New York; PCR Cloning Protocols, from Molecular Cloning to Genetic Engineering, Edited by White B.A., Humana Press, Totowa,
- 10 New Jersey, 1997, 490 pages; Protein Purification, Principles and Practices, Scopes R.K., Springer-Verlag, New York, 3rd Edition, 1993, 380 pages; Current Protocols in Immunology, Edited by Coligan J.E. et al., John Wiley & Sons Inc., New York.

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For recombinant production, host cells are transfected with vectors which encode the polypeptide, and then cultured in a nutrient media modified as appropriate for activating promoters, selecting transformants or amplifying the genes. Suitable

- 20 vectors are those that are viable and replicable in the chosen host and include chromosomal, non-chromosomal and synthetic DNA sequences e.g. bacterial plasmids, phage DNA, baculovirus, yeast plasmids, vectors derived from combinations of plasmids and phage DNA. The polypeptide sequence may be incorporated in the

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vector at the appropriate site using restriction enzymes such that it is operably linked to an expression control region comprising a promoter, ribosome binding site (consensus region or Shine-Dalgarno sequence), and optionally an operator (control element). One can select individual components of the

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expression control region that are appropriate for a given host and vector according to established molecular biology principles (Sambrook et al, Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual, 2nd ed, Cold Spring Harbor, N.Y., 1989; Current Protocols in Molecular Biology, Edited by Ausubel F.M. et al., John Wiley and Sons,

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Inc. New York. Suitable promoters include but are not limited to LTR or SV40 promoter,

E.coli lac, tac or trp promoters and the phage lambda P_L promoter. Vectors will preferably incorporate an origin of replication as well as selection markers i.e. ampicillin resistance gene. Suitable bacterial vectors include pET, pQE70, pQE60, pQE-9, pbs, pD10 phagescript, psiX174, pbluescript SK, pbsks, pNH8A, pNH16a, pNH18A, pNH46A, ptrc99a, pKK223-3, pKK233-3, pDR540, pRIT5 and eukaryotic vectors pBlueBacIII, pWLNEO, pSV2CAT, pOG44, pXT1, pSG, pSVK3, pBPV, pMSG and pSVL. Host cells may be bacterial i.e. E.coli, Bacillus subtilis, Streptomyces; fungal i.e. Aspergillus niger, Aspergillus nidulins; yeast i.e. Saccharomyces or eukaryotic i.e. CHO, COS.

Upon expression of the polypeptide in culture, cells are typically harvested by centrifugation then disrupted by physical or chemical means (if the expressed polypeptide is not secreted into the media) and the resulting crude extract retained to isolate the polypeptide of interest. Purification of the polypeptide from culture media or lysate may be achieved by established techniques depending on the properties of the polypeptide i.e. using ammonium sulfate or ethanol precipitation, acid extraction, anion or cation exchange chromatography, phosphocellulose chromatography, hydrophobic interaction chromatography, hydroxylapatite chromatography and lectin chromatography. Final purification may be achieved using HPLC.

The polypeptide may be expressed with or without a leader or secretion sequence. In the former case the leader may be removed using post-translational processing (see US 4,431,739; US 4,425,437; and US 4,338,397) or be chemically removed subsequent to purifying the expressed polypeptide.

According to a further aspect, the streptococcal polypeptides of the invention may be used in a diagnostic test for streptococcus infection, in particular Streptococcus pyogenes infection.

Several diagnostic methods are possible, for example detecting streptococcus organism in a biological sample, the following procedure may be followed:

- a) obtaining a biological sample from an individual;
- 5 b) incubating an antibody or fragment thereof reactive with a streptococcus polypeptide of the invention with the biological sample to form a mixture; and
- c) detecting specifically bound antibody or bound fragment in the mixture which indicates the presence of streptococcus.

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Alternatively, a method for the detection of antibody specific to a streptococcus antigen in a biological sample containing or suspected of containing said antibody may be performed as follows:

- 15 a) obtaining a biological sample from an individual;
- b) incubating one or more streptococcus polypeptides of the invention or fragments thereof with the biological sample to form a mixture; and
- c) detecting specifically bound antigen or bound fragment in
20 the mixture which indicates the presence of antibody specific to streptococcus.

One of skill in the art will recognize that this diagnostic test may take several forms, including an immunological test such as
25 an enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA), a radioimmunoassay or a latex agglutination assay, essentially to determine whether antibodies specific for the protein are present in an individual.

30 The DNA sequences encoding polypeptides of the invention may also be used to design DNA probes for use in detecting the presence of streptococcus in a biological sample suspected of containing such bacteria. The detection method of this invention comprises:

- 35 a) obtaining the biological sample from an individual;
- b) incubating one or more DNA probes having a DNA sequence

encoding a polypeptide of the invention or fragments thereof with the biological sample to form a mixture; and
c) detecting specifically bound DNA probe in the mixture which indicates the presence of streptococcus bacteria.

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The DNA probes of this invention may also be used for detecting circulating streptococcus i.e. Streptococcus pyogenes nucleic acids in a sample, for example using a polymerase chain reaction, as a method of diagnosing streptococcus infections.

10 The probe may be synthesized using conventional techniques and may be immobilized on a solid phase, or may be labelled with a detectable label. A preferred DNA probe for this application is an oligomer having a sequence complementary to at least about 6 contiguous nucleotides of the Streptococcus pyogenes
15 polypeptides of the invention.

Another diagnostic method for the detection of streptococcus in an individual comprises:

a) labelling an antibody reactive with a polypeptide of the
20 invention or fragment thereof with a detectable label;
b) administering the labelled antibody or labelled fragment to the patient; and
c) detecting specifically bound labelled antibody or labelled
25 fragment in the patient which indicates the presence of streptococcus.

A further aspect of the invention is the use of the streptococcus polypeptides of the invention as immunogens for the production of specific antibodies for the diagnosis and in
30 particular the treatment of streptococcus infection. Suitable antibodies may be determined using appropriate screening methods, for example by measuring the ability of a particular antibody to passively protect against streptococcus infection in a test model. One example of an animal model is the mouse model
35 described in the examples herein. The antibody may be a whole antibody or an antigen-binding fragment thereof and may belong

to any immunoglobulin class. The antibody or fragment may be of animal origin, specifically of mammalian origin and more specifically of murine, rat or human origin. It may be a natural antibody or a fragment thereof, or if desired, a recombinant antibody or antibody fragment. The term recombinant antibody or antibody fragment means antibody or antibody fragment which was produced using molecular biology techniques. The antibody or antibody fragments may be polyclonal, or preferably monoclonal. It may be specific for a number of epitopes associated with the Streptococcus pyogenes polypeptides but is preferably specific for one.

A further aspect of the invention is the use of the antibodies directed to the streptococcus polypeptides of the invention for passive immunization. One could use the antibodies described in the present application. Suitable antibodies may be determined using appropriate screening methods, for example by measuring the ability of a particular antibody to passively protect against streptococcus infection in a test model. One example of an animal model is the mouse model described in the examples herein. The antibody may be a whole antibody or an antigen-binding fragment thereof and may belong to any immunoglobulin class. The antibody or fragment may be of animal origin, specifically of mammalian origin and more specifically of murine, rat or human origin. It may be a natural antibody or a fragment thereof, or if desired, a recombinant antibody or antibody fragment. The term recombinant antibody or antibody fragment means antibody or antibody fragment which was produced using molecular biology techniques. The antibody or antibody fragments may be polyclonal, or preferably monoclonal. It may be specific for a number of epitopes associated with the streptococcus pneumoniae polypeptides but is preferably specific for one.

Unless otherwise defined, all technical and scientific terms used herein have the same meaning as commonly understood by one

of ordinary skill in the art to which this invention belongs. All publications, patent applications, patents, and other references mentioned herein are incorporated by reference in their entirety. In case of conflict, the present specification, including definitions, will control. In addition, the materials, methods, and examples are illustrative only and not intended to be limiting.

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EXAMPLE 1

This example illustrates the cloning of S. pyogenes gene.

The coding region of S. pyogenes gene BVH-P1 (SEQ ID NO:1) was amplified by PCR (DNA Thermal Cycler GeneAmp PCR system 2400 Perkin Elmer, San Jose, CA) from genomic DNA of serotype 3 S. pyogenes strain ATCC12384 using the following oligos that contained base extensions for the addition of restriction sites NcoI (CCATGG) and XhoI (CTCGAG): DMAR16 (5'-CAGGCCATGGAGTGGACACCACGATCGGTTAC-3'); DMAR17 (5'-GCCGCTCGAGAGCATTAAAGGAGACATGAACATGATC-3'). PCR products were purified from agarose gel using a QIAquick gel extraction kit from QIAGEN following the manufacturer's instructions (Chatsworth, CA), and digested with NcoI and XhoI (Pharmacia Canada Inc, Baie d'Urfé, Canada). The pET-21d(+) vector (Novagen, Madison, WI) was digested with NcoI and XhoI and purified from agarose gel using a QIAquick gel extraction kit from QIAGEN (Chatsworth, CA). The NcoI-XhoI PCR products were ligated to the NcoI-XhoI pET-21d(+) expression vector. The ligated products were transformed into E. coli strain E. coli strain DH5 α [ϕ 80dlacZ Δ M15 Δ (lacZYA-argF)U169 endA1 recA1 hsdR17(r_K-m_K+) deoR thi-1 supE44 λ ⁻gyrA96 relA1] (Gibco BRL, Gaithersburg, MD) according to the method of Simanis (Hanahan, D. DNA Cloning, 1985, D.M. Glover (ed), pp. 109-135). Recombinant pET-21d(+) plasmid (rpET21d(+)) containing BVH-P1

gene was purified using a QIAGEN plasmid kit (Chatsworth, CA) and DNA insert was sequenced (Taq Dye Deoxy Terminator Cycle Sequencing kit, ABI, Foster City, CA).

5 It was determined that the open reading frame (ORF) which codes for BVH-P1 contains 1170-bp and encodes a 389 amino acid residues polypeptide with a predicted pI of 4.37 and a predicted molecular mass of 41054 Da.

Analysis of the predicted amino acid residues sequence (SEQ ID
10 NO:2) using the Spscan software (Wisconsin Sequence Analysis Package; Genetics Computer Group) suggested the existence of a 25 amino acid residues signal peptide (MIITKKSLFVTSVALSLAPLATAQA), which ends with a cleavage site situated between an alanine and a glutamine residues. Analysis
15 of this ORF did not revealed the presence of repetitive structures, cell wall anchoring motif (LPXTG), or IgA binding motif (MLKKIE).

An ORF which shares 62% with the S. pyogenes BVH-P1 gene was
20 initially presented in the patent application PCT/CA99/00114 which described Group B streptococcus antigens. BVH-P1 gene was also found to share homology (62% identity) with an ORF present in the genome of S. pneumoniae (The Institute for Genomic Research).

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EXAMPLE 2

This example describes the PCR amplification and sequencing of BVH-P1 gene from other S. pyogenes strains and the evaluation of the level of molecular conservation of this gene.

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Lancefield's serogroup A S. pyogenes LSPQ2296 (ATCC 19615) was provided by the laboratoire de la santé publique du Québec, Sainte-Anne-de-Bellevue; serotype 1 S. pyogenes SPY57 clinical isolate was provided by the centre de recherche en infectiologie
35 du centre hospitalier de l'université Laval, Sainte-Foy; and S. pyogenes strain B514 which was initially isolated from a mouse

was provided by Susan Hollingshead, from University of Alabama, Birmingham. The respective coding region of S. pyogenes gene BVH-P1 from strains ATCC 12384 (SEQ ID NO:1), LSPQ2699(ATCC19615) (SEQ ID NO:3), SPY57 (SEQ ID NO:5), and B514 (SEQ ID NO:7) were amplified by PCR (DNA Thermal Cycler GeneAmp PCR system 2400 Perkin Elmer, San Jose, CA) from bacterial cell lysates using the following oligos DMAR69 (5'-CTGGGAAGATTATCTAGCACATTAATAC-3'); DMAR72 (5'-CATAACGTTAAACTGTCTAAAGGG-3'). PCR products were purified from agarose gel using a QIAquick gel extraction kit from QIAgen following the manufacturer's instructions (Chatsworth, CA) and the DNA insert were sequenced (Taq Dye Deoxy Terminator Cycle Sequencing kit, ABI, Foster City, CA). The predicted amino acid sequences from strains ATCC12384 (SEQ ID NO:2), LSPQ2699(ATCC19615) (SEQ ID NO:4), SPY57 (SEQ ID NO:6), and B514 (SEQ ID NO:8) were respectively presented in the following figures 2, 4, 6, and 8.

The figures 17 and 18 respectively depict the consensus nucleotide and predicted amino acid sequences established for S. pyogenes BVH-P1. In addition to the sequences presented herewith, the BVH-P1 gene sequences from the genome sequencing project at the University of Oklahoma (serotype M1 S. pyogenes strain ATCC 70029) and from (Kil et al. 1994. Infect. Immun. 62 :2440-2449 : GenBank accession number U09352) were also included. No function or role in the pathogenesis of the bacteria or protection against infection was described by Kil et al. for the sequence with GenBank accession number U09352. This latter sequence presented by Kil et al. was shown to be located upstream of a S.pyogenes 67kDa myosin-cross-reactive antigen.

Pairwise comparison of the BVH-P1 predicted protein sequences revealed between 95 to 100% identity with the exception of the BVH-P1 sequence obtained from GenBank under the accession number U09352. Pairwise comparison of that particular sequence

with the other five BVH-P1 sequences indicated identity between 87 to 91%. This lower homology can be explained by the presence of two regions (119-124 and 262-281) which are more divergent comparatively to the other BVH-P1 gene sequences. Beside these
5 two regions in the BVH-P1 sequence obtained from GenBank under the accesssion number U09352, the BVH-P1 genes showed great similarity in overall organization.

10 EXAMPLE 3

This example illustrates the cloning of S. pyogenes protein gene in CMV plasmid pCMV-GH.

The DNA coding region of a S. pyogenes protein was inserted in
15 phase downstream of a human growth hormone (hGH) gene which was under the transcriptional control of the cytomegalovirus (CMV) promotor in the plasmid vector pCMV-GH (Tang et al., Nature, 1992, 356 :152). The CMV promotor is a non functional plasmid in E. coli cells but is active upon administration of the
20 plasmid in eukaryotic cells. The vector also incorporated the ampicillin resistance gene.

The coding region of BVH-P1 gene (SEQ ID NO:9) without its leader peptide region was amplified by PCR (DNA Thermal Cyclor
25 GeneAmp PCR system 2400 Perkin Elmer, San Jose, CA) from genomic DNA of serotype 3 S. pyogenes strain ATCC12384 using the following oligos that contained base extensions for the addition of restriction sites *Bam*HI (GGATCC) and *Sal*I (GTCGAC): DMAR24 (5'-TACCCGGATCCCCAAGAGTGGACACCACGATCGG-3'); DMAR25 (5'-
30 GCGCTCGTCGACGCGTATCTCAGCCTCTTATAGGGC-3'). The PCR product was purified from agarose gel using a QIAquick gel extraction kit from QIAGEN (Chatsworth, CA), digested with restriction enzymes (Pharmacia Canada Inc, Baie d'Urfe, Canada). The pCMV-GH vector (Laboratory of Dr. Stephen A. Johnston, Department of
35 Biochemistry, The University of Texas, Dallas, Texas) was digested with *Bam*HI and *Sal*I and purified from agarose gel using

the QIAquick gel extraction kit from QIAgen (Chatsworth, CA). The *Bam*HI-*Sal*I DNA fragments were ligated to the *Bam*HI-*Sal*I pCMV-GH vector to create the hGH-BVH-P1 fusion protein under the control of the CMV promoter. The ligated products were
5 transformed into E. coli strain DH5 α [ϕ 80d*lacZ* Δ M15 Δ (*lacZ*YA-argF)U169 *endA*1 *recA*1 *hsdR*17(*r*_K-*m*_K+) *deoR* *thi*-1 *supE*44 λ ⁻*gyrA*96 *relA*1] (Gibco BRL, Gaithersburg, MD) according to the method of Simanis (Hanahan, D. DNA Cloning, 1985, D.M. Glover (ed), pp. 109-135). The recombinant pCMV plasmid was purified using a
10 QIAgen plasmid kit (Chatsworth, CA) and the nucleotide sequence of the DNA insert was verified by DNA sequencing.

EXAMPLE 4

15 This example illustrates the use of DNA to elicit an immune response to S. pyogenes antigens.

A group of 8 female BALB/c mice (Charles River, St-Constant, Québec, Canada) were immunized by intramuscular injection of 100
20 μ l three times at two- or three-week intervals with 50 μ g of recombinant pCMV-GH encoding BVH-P1 gene in presence of 50 μ g of granulocyte-macrophage colony-stimulating factor (GM-CSF)-expressing plasmid pCMV-GH-GM-CSF (Laboratory of Dr. Stephen A. Johnston, Department of Biochemistry, The University of Texas,
25 Dallas, Texas). As control, a group of mice were injected with 50 μ g of pCMV-GH in presence of 50 μ g of pCMV-GH-GM-CSF. Blood samples were collected from the orbital sinus prior to each immunization and seven days following the third injection and serum antibody responses were determined by ELISA using purified
30 BVH-P1-His•Tag from SEQ ID NO:11 S. pyogenes recombinant protein as coating antigen.

EXAMPLE 5

This example illustrates the production and purification of recombinant S. pyogenes BVH-P1 protein.

- 5 The recombinant pET-21d(+) plasmid with BVH-P1 gene corresponding to the SEQ ID NO:9 was used to transform by electroporation (Gene Pulser II apparatus, BIO-RAD Labs, Mississauga, Canada) E. coli strain BL21(DE3) (F^{+} ompT hsdS_B ($r^{-}_{BM^{-}B}$) gal dcm (DE3)) (Novagen, Madison, WI). In this strain of E. coli, the T7
- 10 promotor controlling expression of the recombinant protein is specifically recognized by the T7 RNA polymerase (present on the λ DE3 prophage) whose gene is under the control of the lac promotor which is inducible by isopropyl- β -d-thio-galactopyranoside (IPTG). The transformant BL21(DE3)/rpET was
- 15 grown at 37°C with agitation at 250 rpm in LB broth (peptone 10g/L, yeast extract 5g/L, NaCl 10g/L) containing 100 μ g of carbenicillin (Sigma-Aldrich Canada Ltd., Oakville, Canada) per ml until the A₆₀₀ reached a value of 0.6. In order to induce the production of S. pyogenes BVH-P1-His•Tag recombinant protein
- 20 (from SEQ ID NO:10), the cells were incubated for 3 additional hours in the presence of IPTG at a final concentration of 1 mM. Induced cells from a 500 ml culture were pelleted by centrifugation and frozen at -70°C.
- 25 The purification of the recombinant proteins from the soluble cytoplasmic fraction of IPTG-induced BL21(DE3)/rpET21b(+) was done by affinity chromatography based on the properties of the His•Tag sequence (6 consecutive histidine residues) to bind to divalent cations (Ni²⁺) immobilized on the His•Bind metal
- 30 chelation resin. Briefly, the pelleted cells obtained from a 500 mL culture induced with IPTG was resuspended in lysis buffer (20 mM Tris, 500 mM NaCl, 10 mM imidazole, pH 7.9) containing 1mM PMSF, sonicated and centrifuged at 12,000 X g for 20 min to remove debris. The supernatant was deposited on a Ni-NTA
- 35 agarose column (Qiagen, Mississauga, Ontario, Canada). The S.

pyogenes BVH-P1-His•Tag recombinant protein (from SEQ ID NO:10) was eluted with 250 mM imidazole-500mM NaCl-20 mM Tris pH 7.9. The removal of the salt and imidazole from the sample was done by dialysis against PBS at 4°C. The quantities of recombinant
5 protein obtained from the soluble fraction of E. coli was estimated by MicroBCA (Pierce, Rockford, Illinois).

EXAMPLE 6

10 This example illustrates the accessibility to antibodies of the BVH-P1 protein at the surface of S. pyogenes strain.

Bacteria were grown in Tood Hewitt (TH) broth (Difco Laboratories, Detroit MI) with 0.5% Yeast extract (Difco
15 Laboratories) and 0.5% peptone extract (Merck, Darmstadt, Germany) at 37°C in a 8% CO₂ atmosphere to give an OD_{490nm} of 0.600 (~10⁸ CFU/ml). Dilutions of anti-BVH-P1 or control sera were then added and allowed to bind to the cells, which were incubated for 2 h at 4°C. Samples were washed 4 times in blocking buffer
20 [phosphate-buffered saline (PBS) containing 2% bovine serum albumin (BSA)], and then 1 ml of goat fluorescein (FITC)-conjugated anti-mouse IgG + IgM diluted in blocking buffer was added. After an additional incubation of 60 min at room temperature, samples were washed 4 times in blocking buffer and
25 fixed with 0.25 % formaldehyde in PBS buffer for 18-24 h at 4°C. Cells were washed 2 times in PBS buffer and resuspended in 500 µl of PBS buffer. Cells were kept in the dark at 4°C until analyzed by flow cytometry (Epics® XL; Beckman Coulter, Inc.). Flow cytometric analysis revealed that BVH-P1-specific
30 antibodies efficiently recognized their corresponding surface exposed epitopes on both the homologous (ATCC12384; serotype3) and the heterologous (SPY57; seotype 1) S. pyogenes strains tested. It was determined that more than 90 % of the 10,000 S. pyogenes cells analyzed were labeled with the antobodies present
35 in the BVH-MC1 specific anti-sera. These observations clearly

demonstrate that the BVH-P1 protein is accessible at the surface where it can be easily recognized by antibodies. Anti- S. pyogenes antibodies were shown to play an important role in the protection against S. pyogenes infection.

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EXAMPLE 7

This example illustrates the protection against fatal S. pyogenes infection induced by passive immunization of mice with rabbit hyper-immune sera.

New Zealand rabbits (Charles River laboratories, Montreal, Canada) were injected subcutaneously at multiple sites with approximately 50 μ g and 100 μ g of BVH-P1-His•Tag protein (from SEQ ID NO:10) that was produced and purified as described in Example 5 and adsorbed to Alhydrogel adjuvant (Superfos Biosector a/s). Rabbits were immunized three times at three-week intervals with the BVH-P1-His•Tag protein (from SEQ ID NO:10). Blood samples were collected three weeks after the third injection. The antibodies present in the serum were purified by precipitation using 40% saturated ammonium sulfate. Groups of 10 female CD-1 mice (Charles River) were injected intravenously with 500 μ l of purified serum collected either from BVH-P1-His•Tag (from SEQ ID NO:10) immunized rabbits or rabbits immunized with an unrelated control recombinant protein. Eighteen hours later the mice were challenged with approximately 2×10^7 CFU of the type 3 S. pyogenes strain ATCC12384. Samples of the S. pyogenes challenge inoculum were plated on blood agar plates to determine the CFU and to verify the challenge dose. Deaths were recorded for a period of 5 days.

EXAMPLE 8

This example illustrates the protection of mice against fatal S. pyogenes infection induced by immunization with BVH-P1 protein.

Groups of 8 female CD-1 mice (Charles River) were immunized subcutaneously three times at three-week intervals with 20 μ g of affinity purified S. pyogenes BVH-P1-His•Tag recombinant protein (from SEQ ID NO:10) in presence of 10 μ g of QuilA adjuvant (Cedarlane Laboratories Ltd, Hornby, Canada). or, as control, with QuilA adjuvant alone in PBS. Blood samples were collected from the orbital sinus on day 1, 22 and 43 prior to each immunization and seven days (day 50) following the third injection. Analysis by ELISA using purified recombinant BVH-P1 protein (from SEQ ID NO:10) clearly indicated that this protein is highly immunogenic in animals. Indeed reciprocal ELISA titers higher than 10^6 were determined for the mice immunized with this recombinant protein. Two weeks later the mice were challenged with approximately 2×10^7 CFU of the type 3 S. pyogenes strain ATCC12384. Samples of the S. pyogenes challenge inoculum were plated on blood agar plates to determine the CFU and to verify the challenge dose. Deaths were recorded for a period of 5 days. Five out of the 8 (62%) mice immunized with three injections of 20 μ g of purified recombinant BVH-P1 (from SEQ ID NO:10) and QuilA adjuvant survived the bacterial challenge to only 2/7 (28%) in the control group.

Table 3. Immunization of CD-1 mice with purified recombinant BVH-P1 protein confers protection against subsequent challenge with S. pyogenes strain ATCC 12384

Groups	Survival of the mice challenged with <u>S. pyogenes</u> strain ATCC 12384 (Day after challenge: number of survivors/total number of mice challenged))				
	1	2	3	4	5
20 μ g of BVH-P1-His•Tag	8/8	8/8	7/8	6/8	5/8
Control	7/7	6/7	3/7	2/7	2/7

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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An isolated polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence at least 95% identical to the amino acid sequence chosen from SEQ ID NO: 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, and 16, wherein the encoded polypeptide is capable of eliciting an immune response against *Streptococcus pyogenes*, and wherein the encoded polypeptide elicits antibodies that specifically bind to a polypeptide consisting of the amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, or 16.
2. The isolated polynucleotide according to claim 1 wherein the polynucleotide encodes a polypeptide that comprises the amino acid sequence chosen from SEQ ID NO: 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, and 16.
3. The polynucleotide according to claim 1, wherein the polynucleotide consists of a nucleotide sequence at least 95% identical to the nucleotide sequence set forth in any one of SEQ ID NOS: 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, and 15.
4. The polynucleotide according to claim 2, wherein the polynucleotide comprises a nucleotide sequence set forth in any one of SEQ ID NOS: 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, and 15.
5. An isolated polynucleotide that is complementary to the polynucleotide as defined in any one of claims 1-4.
6. The isolated polynucleotide according to any one of claims 1-4, wherein the isolated polynucleotide is DNA.
7. The isolated polynucleotide according to any one of claims 1-4, wherein the isolated polynucleotide is RNA.
8. A vector comprising the polynucleotide as defined in any one of claims 1-4, wherein the polynucleotide is operably linked to an expression control region.

9. A host cell transfected with the vector as defined by claim 8.
10. A process for producing a polypeptide encoded by the isolated polynucleotide as defined in any one of claims 1-4, said process comprising culturing the host cell as defined in claim 9 under conditions suitable for expression of said polypeptide.
11. The process according to claim 10 further comprising isolating the polypeptide from the host cell culture.
12. An isolated polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence at least 95% identical to the amino acid sequence chosen from SEQ ID NO: 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, and 16, wherein the polypeptide is capable of eliciting an immune response against *Streptococcus pyogenes*, and wherein the isolated polypeptide elicits antibodies that specifically bind to a polypeptide consisting of the amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, or 16.
13. The isolated polypeptide according to claim 12, wherein the polypeptide comprises the amino acid sequence chosen from SEQ ID NO: 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, and 16.
14. The isolated polypeptide according to claim 12 or claim 13, wherein the N-terminal Met residue of SEQ ID NO: 2, 4, 6, and 8 is deleted.
15. The isolated polypeptide according to claim 12 or claim 13, wherein the secretory amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2, 4, 6, and 8 is deleted.
16. A vaccine composition comprising the isolated polypeptide as defined in any one of claims 12-15 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, diluent or adjuvant.
17. Use of the polypeptide as defined in any one of claims 12-15 for the manufacture of a medicament for prophylactic or therapeutic treatment of a *Streptococcus pyogenes* infection in an individual susceptible to or infected with *S. pyogenes*.

18. Use of the vaccine composition as defined in claim 16 for the manufacture of a medicament for the prophylactic or therapeutic treatment of a *Streptococcus pyogenes* infection in an individual susceptible to or infected with *S. pyogenes*.

19. Use according to either claim 17 or claim 18 wherein the *S. pyogenes* infection is pharyngitis, erysipelas, impetigo, scarlet fever, bacteremia, necrotizing fasciitis, or toxic shock.

20. Use according to any one of claims 17-19 wherein the individual is a human or non-human mammal.

Figure 1

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1 ATGATTATTA CTAAAAAGAG CTTATTTGTG ACAAGTGTCT CTTTGTCTGT AGCACCTTTG
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181 GCTGAAGCAA TGGGAATTGA TGTGCATGTC TTAGGAGATA TTAATCATAT TGCTAATATT
241 GACTTAATTT TTCCAGACAC GATCCTAACA GCCAACTACA ACCAACACGG TCAGGCAACG
301 ACTTTGACGG TTCAAGCGCC TGCTTCTAGT CCAGCTAGCG TTAGTCATGT ACCTAGCAGT
361 GAGCCATTAC CCCAAGCATC TGCCACCTCT CAATCGACTG TTCCTATGGC ACCATCTGCG
421 ACACCATCTG ATGTCCCAAC GACACCATTG GCATCTGCAA AGCCAGATAG TTCTGTGACA
481 GCGTCATCTG AGCTCACATC GTCAACGAAT GATGTTTCGA CTGAGTTGTC TAGCGAATCA
541 CAAAAGCAGC CAGAAGTACC ACAAGAAGCA GTTCCAACCT CTAAAGCAGC TGAAACGACT
601 GAAGTCGAAC CTAAGACAGA CATCTCAGAG GATTCAACTT CAGCTAATAG GCCTGTACCT
661 AACGAGAGTG CTTCAGAAGA AGTTTCTTCT GCGGCCCCAG CACAAGCCCC AGCAGAAAAA
721 GAAGAAACCT CTGCGCCAGC AGCACAAAAA GCTGTAGCTG ACACCACAAG TGTGCAACC
781 TCAAATGGCC TTTCTTACGC TCCAAACCAT GCCTACAATC CAATGAATGC AGGGCTTCAA
841 CCACAAACAG CAGCCTTCAA AGAAGAAGTG GCTTCTGCCT TTGGTATTAC GTCATTTAGT
901 GGTTACCGTC CAGGTGATCC AGGAGATCAT GGTAAGGTT TGGCCATTGA TTTTATGGTG
961 CCTGAAAATT CTGCTCTTGG TGATCAAGTT GCTCAATATG CCATTGACCA TATGGCAGAG
1021 CGTGGTATTT CACACGTTAT TTGGAAACAG CGATTCTATG CGCCATTTGC AAGTATTTAC
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Figure 2

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1 MIITKKSLFV TSVALSLAPL ATAQAQEWTP RSVTEIKSEL VLVDNVFTYT VKYGDTLSTI
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121 EPLPQASATS QSTVPMAPSA TPSDVPTTPT ASAKPDSSVT ASSELTSSSTN DVSTELSSSES
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241 EETSAPAAQK AVADTTSVAT SNGLSYAPNH AYNPMNAGLQ PQTAAFKEEV ASAFGITSFS
301 GYRPGDPGDH GKGLAIDFMV PENSALGDQV AQYAIDHMAE RGISYVIWKQ RFYAPFASIY
361 GPAYTWNPMMP DRGSITENHY DHVHVSFNA* (SEQ ID NO:2)

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Figure 3

1 ATGATTATTA CTAAAAGAG CTTATTTGTG ACAAGTGTG CTTTGTGCTT AGCACCTTTG
 61 GCGACAGCGC AGGCACAAGA GTGGACACCA CGATCGGTTA CAGAAATCAA GTCTGAACTC
 121 GTCCTAGTTG ATAATGTTTT TACTTATATA GTAAAATACG GTGACACTTT AAGCACAATT
 181 GCTGAAGCAA TGGGGATTGA TGTGCATGTC TTAGGAGATA TTAATCATAT TGCTAATATT
 241 GACTTAATTT TTCCAGACAC GATCCTAACA GCAAACCTACA ACCAACACGG TCAGGCAACG
 301 ACTTTGACGG TTCAAGCACC TGCTTCTAGT CCATCTAGCG TTAGTCATGT ACCTAGCAGT
 361 GAGCCATTAC CCCAAGCATC TGCCACCTCT CAACCGACTG TTCCTATGGC ACCATCTGCG
 421 ACACCATCTG ATGTCCCAAC GACACCATTG GCATCTGCAA AGCCAGATAG TTCTGTGACA
 481 GCGTCATCTG AGCTCACATC GTCAACGAAT GATGTTTCGA CTGAGTTGTC TAGCGAATCA
 541 CAAAAGCAGC CAGAAGTACC ACAAGAAGCA GTTCCAACCTC CTAAAGCAGC TGAACCGACT
 601 GAAGTCGAAC CTAAGACAGA CATCTCAGAA GACCCAACTT CAGCTAATAG GCCTGTACCT
 661 AACGAGAGTG CTTCAGAAGA AGCTTCTTCT GCGGCCCCAG CACAAGCTCC AGCAGAAAAA
 721 GAAGAAACCT CTCAGATGTT AACTGCGCCA GCAGCACAAA AAGCTGTAGC TGACACCACA
 781 AGTGTTGCAA CCTCAAACGG CCTTTCTTAC GCTCCAAACC ATGCCTACAA TCCAATGAAT
 841 GCAGGGCTTC AACCACAAAC AGCAGCCTTC AAAGAAGAAG TGGCTTCTGC CTTTGGTATT
 901 ACGTCATTTA GTGGTTACCG TCCAGGAGAT CCAGGAGATC ATGGTAAAGG ATTAGCCATT
 961 GACTTTATGG TACCGGTTAG CTCTACGCTT GGTGATCAAG TTGCTCAATA TGCCATTGAC
 1021 CATATGGCAG AGCGTGGTAT TTCATACGTT ATTTGGAAAC AGCGATTCTA TGCGCCATTT
 1081 GCAAGTATTT ACGGACCAGC CTACACATGG AACCCCATGC CAGATCGCGG CAGTATTACA
 1141 GAAAACCATT ATGATCATGT TCATGTCTCC TTTAATGCTT AA (SEQ ID NO:3)

Figure 4

1 MIITKKSLFV TSVALSLAPL ATAQAQEWTP RSVTEIKSEL VLVDNVFTYI VKYGDTLSTI
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 121 EPLPQASATS QPTVPMAPSA TPSDVPTTPF ASAKPDSSVT ASSELTSSSTN DVSTELSSSES
 181 QKQPEVPQEA VPTPKAAEPT EVEPKTDISE DPTSANRPVP NESASEEASS AAPAQAPAEK
 241 EETSQMLTAP AAQKAVADTT SVATSNGLSY APNHAYNPMN AGLQPQTAAF KEEVASAFGI
 301 TSFSGYRPGD PGDHGKGLAI DFMVPVSSTL GDQVAQYAIH HMAERGISYV IWKQRFYAPF
 361 ASIYGPAYTW NPMPDRGSIT ENHYDHHVHS FNA* (SEQ ID NO:4)

Figure 5

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121 GTCCTAGTTG ATAATGTTTT TACTTATACT GTAAAATACG GTGACACTTT AAGCACAATT
181 GCTGAAGCAA TGGGGATTGA TGTGCATGTC TTAGGAGATA TTAATCATAT TGCTAATATT
241 GACCTAATTT TTCCAGACAC GATCCTAACA GCAAAC TACA ATCAACACGG TCAGGCAACG
301 AATTTGACGG TTCAAGCACC TGCTTCTAGT CCAGCTAGCG TTAGTCATGT ACCTAGCAGT
361 GAGCCATTAC CCCAAGCATC TGCCACCTCT CAACCGACTG TTCCTATGGC ACCACCTGCG
421 ACACCATCTG ATGTCCCAAC GACACCATTG GCATCTGCAA AGCCAGATAG TTCTGTGACA
481 GCGTCATCTG AGCTCACATC GTCAACGAAT GATGTTTCGA CTGAGTTGTC TAGCGAATCA
541 CAAAAGCAGC CAGAAGTACC ACAAGAAGCA GTTCCAAC TC CTAAAGCAGC TGAAACGACT
601 GAAGTCGAAC CTAAGACAGA CATCTCAGAA GCCCCAAC TT CAGCTAATAG GCCTGTACCT
661 AACGAGAGTG CTTCAGAAGA AGTTTCTTCT GCGGCCCCAG CACAAGCCCC AGCAGAAAAA
721 GAAGAAACCT CTGCGCCAGC AGCACAAAAA GCTGTAGCTG ACACCACAAG TGTGCAACC
781 TCAAATGGCC TTTCTTACGC TCCAAACCAT GCCTACAATC CAATGAATGC AGGGCTTCAA
841 CCACAAACAG CAGCCTTCAA AGAAGAAGTG GCTTCTGCCT TTGGTATTAC GTCATTTAGT
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1021 CGTGGTATTT CATACTTAT TTGGAAACAG CGATTCTATG CGCCATTTGC AAGTATTTAC
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Figure 6

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1  MIITKKSFLV TSVALSLVPL ATAQAQEWTP RSVTEIKSEL VLVDNVFTYT VKYGDTLSTI
61  AEAMGIDVHV LGDINHIANI DLIFPDILT ANYNQHGQAT NLTVQAPASS PASVSHVPSS
121 EPLPQASATS QPTVPMAPPA TPSDVPTTFF ASAKPDSSVT ASSELTSSSTN DVSTELSSSES
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301 GYRPGDPGDH GKGLAIDFMV PENSALGDQV AQYAIHMAE RGISYVIWKQ RFYAPFASIY
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Figure 7

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61  GCGACAGCGC AGGCACAAGA GTGGACACCA CGATCGGTTA CAGAAATCAA GTCTGAACTC
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181 GCTGAAGCAA TGGGGATTGA TGTGCATGTC TTAGGAGATA TTAATCATAT TGCTAATATT
241 GACTTAATTT TTCCAGACAC GATCCTAACA GCAAACTACA ATCAACACGG TCAGGCAACG
301 ACTTTGACGG TTCAAGCACC TGCTTCTAGT CCAGCTAGCG TTAGTCATGT ACCTAGCAGT
361 GAGCCATTAC CCCAAGCATC TGCCACCTCT CAACCGACTG TTCCTATGGC ACCATCTGCG
421 ACACCATTAG CATCTGCAAA GCCAGATAGT TCTGTGACAG CGTCATCTGA GCTCACATCG
481 TCAACGAATG ATGTTTCGAC TGAGTCGTCT AGCGAATCAC AAAAGCAGCC AGAAGTACCA
541 CAAGAAGCAG TTCCAACCTC TAAAGCAGCT GAAACGACTG AAGTCGAACC TAAGACAGAC
601 ATCTCAGAAG ACCCAACTTC AGCTAATAGG CCTGTACCTA ACGAGAGTGC TTCAGAAGAA
661 GTTTCTTCTG CGGCCCCAGC ACAAGCCCCA GCAGAAAAAG AAGAAACCTC TGCGCCAGCA
721 GCACAAAAAG CTGTAGCTGA CACCACAAGT GTTGCAACCT CAAACGGCCT TTCTTACGCT
781 CCAAACCATG CCTACAATCC AATGAATGCA GGGCTTCAAC CACAAACAGC AGCCTTCAAA
841 GAAGAAGTGG CTTCTGCCTT TGGTATTACG TCATTTAGTG GTTACCGTCC AGGTGACCCA
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961 GATCAAGTTG CTCAATATGC CATTGACCAT ATGGCAGAGC GTGGTATTTT ATACGTTATT
1021 TGGAAACAGC GATTCTATGC GCCATTTGCA AGTATTTACG GACCAGCTTA CACATGGAAC
1081 CCCATGCCAG ATCGCGGCAG TATTACAGAA AACCATTATG ATCATGTTCA TGTCTCCTTT
1141 AATGCTTAA (SEQ ID NO:7)

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Figure 8

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1  MIITKKSLEF TSVALSLAPL ATAQAQEWTP RSVTEIKSEL VLVDNVFTYT VKYGDTLSTI
61  AEAMGIDVHV LGDINHIANI DLIFPDILT ANYNQHGQAT TLTVQAPASS PASVSHVPSS
121 EPLPQASATS QPTVPMAPSA TPLASAKPDS SVTASSELTS STNDVSTESS SESQKQPEVP
181 QEAVPTPKAA ETTEVEPKTD ISEDPTSANR PVPNESASEE VSSAAPAQAP AEKEETSAPA
241 AQKAVADTTS VATSNGLSYA PNHAYNPMNA GLQPQTAAFK EEVASAFGIT SFSGYRPGDP
301 GDHGKGLAID FMVPENSALG DQVAQYAI DH MAERGISYVI WKQRFYAPFA SIYGPAYTWN
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Figure 9

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1   CAAGAGTGGA CACCACGATC GGTACAGAA ATCAAGTCTG AACTCGTCCT AGTTGATAAT
61  GTTTTTACTT ATACTGTAAA ATACGGTGAC ACTTTAAGCA CAATTGCTGA AGCAATGGGA
121 ATTGATGTGC ATGTCTTAGG AGATATTAAT CATATTGCTA ATATTGACTT AATTTTCCA
181 GACACGATCC TAACAGCCAA CTACAACCAA CACGGTCAGG CAACGACTTT GACGGTTCAA
241 GCGCCTGCTT CTAGTCCAGC TAGCGTTAGT CATGTACCTA GCAGTGAGCC ATTACCCCAA
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361 CCAACGACAC CATTGCGATC TGCAAAGCCA GATAGTTCTG TGACAGCGTC ATCTGAGCTC
421 ACATCGTCAA CGAATGATGT TTCGACTGAG TTGTCTAGCG AATCACAAAA GCAGCCAGAA
481 GTACCACAAG AAGCAGTTCC AACTCCTAAA GCAGCTGAAA CGACTGAAGT CGAACCTAAG
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661 CCAGCAGCAC AAAAAGCTGT AGCTGACACC ACAAGTGTTG CAACCTCAA TGGCCTTTCT
721 TACGCTCCAA ACCATGCCTA CAATCCAATG AATGCAGGGC TTCAACCACA AACAGCAGCC
781 TTCAAAGAAG AAGTGGCTTC TGCCTTTGGT ATTACGTCAT TTAGTGTTA CCGTCCAGGT
841 GATCCAGGAG ATCATGGTAA AGGTTTGGCC ATTGATTTTA TGGTGCCTGA AAATTCTGCT
901 CTTGGTGATC AAGTTGCTCA ATATGCCATT GACCATATGG CAGAGCGTGG TATTTCATAC
961 GTTATTTGGA AACAGCGATT CTATGCGCCA TTTGCAAGTA TTTACGGACC AGCCTACACA
1021 TGGAACCCCA TGCCAGATCG CGGCAGTATT ACAGAAAACC ATTATGATCA TGTTGATGTC
1081 TCCTTTAATG CTAA (SEQ ID NO:9)

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Figure 10

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1   QEWTFRSVTE IKSELVLVDN VFTYTVKYGD TLSTIAEAMG IDVHVLGDIN HIANIDLIFP
61  DTILTANYNQ HGQATTLTVQ APASSPASVS HVPSSSEPLPQ ASATSQSTVP MAPSATPSDV
121 PTTPFASAKP DSSVTASSEL TSSTNDVSTE LSSESQKQPE VPQEAVPTPK AAETTEVEPK
181 TDISEDSTSA NRPVPNESAS EEVSSAAPAQ APAEKEETSA PAAQKAVADT TSVATSNGLS
241 YAPNHAYNPM NAGLQPQTAA FKEEVASAFG ITSFSGYRPG DPGDHGKGLA IDFMVPENSA
301 LGDQVAQYAI DHMAERGISEY VIWKQRFYAP FASIYGPAYT WNPMPDRGSI TENHYDHHVH
361 SFNA* (SEQ ID NO:10)

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Figure 11

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1   CAAGAGTGGA CACCACGATC GGTACAGAA ATCAAGTCTG AACTCGTCCT AGTTGATAAT
61  GTTTTTACTT ATATAGTAAA ATACGGTGAC ACTTTAAGCA CAATTGCTGA AGCAATGGGG
121 ATTGATGTGC ATGTCTTAGG AGATATTAAT CATATTGCTA ATATTGACTT AATTTTTCCA
181 GACACGATCC TAACAGCAAA CTACAACCAA CACGGTCAGG CAACGACTTT GACGGTTCAA
241 GCACCTGCTT CTAGTCCATC TAGCGTTAGT CATGTACCTA GCAGTGAGCC ATTACCCCAA
301 GCATCTGCCA CCTCTCAACC GACTGTTTCT ATGGCACCAT CTGCGACACC ATCTGATGTC
361 CCAACGACAC CATTGCGATC TGCAAAGCCA GATAGTTCTG TGACAGCGTC ATCTGAGCTC
421 ACATCGTCAA CGAATGATGT TTCGACTGAG TTGTCTAGCG AATCACAAAA GCAGCCAGAA
481 GTACCACAAG AAGCAGTTCC AACTCCTAAA GCAGCTGAAC CGACTGAAGT CGAACCTAAG
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601 GAAGAAGCTT CTTCTGCGGC CCCAGCACAA GCTCCAGCAG AAAAAGAAGA AACCTCTCAG
661 ATGTTAACTG CGCCAGCAGC AAAAAAGCT GTAGCTGACA CCACAAGTGT TGCAACCTCA
721 AACGGCCTTT CTTACGCTCC AAACCATGCC TACAATCCAA TGAATGCAGG GCTTCAACCA
781 CAAACAGCAG CCTTCAAAGA AGAAGTGGCT TCTGCCTTTG GTATTACGTC ATTTAGTGGT
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901 GTTAGCTCTA CGCTTGGTGA TCAAGTTGCT CAATATGCCA TTGACCATAT GGCAGAGCGT
961 GGTATTTTCA ACGTTATTTG GAAACAGCGA TTCTATGCGC CATTTGCAAG TATTTACGGA
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1081 CATGTTTATG TCTCCTTTAA TGCTTAA (SEQ ID NO:11)

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Figure 12

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1   QEWTPRSVTE IKSELVLVDN VFTYIVKYGD TLSTIAEAMG IDVHVLGDIN HIANIDLIFP
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121 PTTPFASAKP DSSVTASSEL TSSTNDVSTE LSSESQKQPE VPQEAVPTPK AAEPTEVEPK
181 TDISEDPTSA NRPVPNESAS EEASSAAPAQ APAEKEETSQ MLTAPAAQKA VADTTSVATS
241 NGLSYAPNHA YNPMNAGLQP QTAAFKEEVA SAFGITSFSG YRPGDPGDHG KGLAIDFMVP
301 VSSTLGDQVA QYAIIDHMAER GISYVIWKQR FYAPFASIYG PAYTWNPMMPD RGSITENHYD
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Figure 13

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1    CAAGAGTGGA CACCACGATC GGTTACAGAA ATCAAGTCTG AACTCGTCCT AGTTGATAAT
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121  ATTGATGTGC ATGTCTTAGG AGATATTAAT CATATTGCTA ATATTGACCT AATTTTTCCA
181  GACACGATCC TAACAGCAAA CTACAATCAA CACGGTCAGG CAACGAATTT GACGGTTCAA
241  GCACCTGCTT CTAGTCCAGC TAGCGTTAGT CATGTACCTA GCAGTGAGCC ATTACCCCAA
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901  CTTGGTGATC AAGTTGCTCA ATATGCCATT GACCATATGG CAGAGCGTGG TATTTCATAC
961  GTTATTTGGA AACAGCGATT CTATGCGCCA TTTGCAAGTA TTTACGGACC AGCCTACACA
1021 TGGAACCCCA TGCCAGATCG CGGCAGTATT ACAGAAAACC ATTATGATCA TGTTCATGTC
1081 TCCTTTAATG CTAA (SEQ ID NO:13)

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Figure 14

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1    QEWTPRSUTE IKSELVLVDN VFTYTVKYGD TLSTIAEAMG IDVHVLGDIN HIANIDLIFP
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121  PTPFASAKP DSSVTASSEL TSSTNDVSTE LSSESQKQPE VPQEAVPTPK AAETTEVEPK
181  TDISEAPSTA NRPVPNESAS EEVSSAAPAQ APAEKEETSA PAAQKAVADT TSVATSNGLS
241  YAPNHAYNPM NAGLQPQTAA FKEEVASAFG ITSFSGYRPG DPGDHGKGLA IDFMVPENSA
301  LGDQVAQYAI DHMAERGISEY VIWKQRFYAP FASIYGPAYT WNPMPDRGSI TENHYDHVHV
361  SFNA* (SEQ ID NO:14)

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Figure 15

1 CAAGAGTGGA CACCACGATC GGTACAGAA ATCAAGTCTG AACTCGTCCT AGTTGATAAT
 61 GTTTTTACTT ATACAGTAAA ATACGGTGAC ACTTTAAGCA CAATTGCTGA AGCAATGGGG
 121 ATTGATGTGC ATGTCTTAGG AGATATTAAT CATATTGCTA ATATTGACTT AATTTTCCA
 181 GACACGATCC TAACAGCAAA CTACAATCAA CACGGTCAGG CAACGACTTT GACGGTTCAA
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 361 GCAAAGCCAG ATAGTTCTGT GACAGCGTCA TCTGAGCTCA CATCGTCAAC GAATGATGTT
 421 TCGACTGAGT CGTCTAGCGA ATCACAAAAG CAGCCAGAAG TACCACAAGA AGCAGTTCCA
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 841 GGTTTGGCCA TTGATTTTAT GGTGCCTGAA AATTCTGCTC TTGGTGATCA AGTTGCTCAA
 901 TATGCCATTG ACCATATGGC AGAGCGTGGT ATTCATACG TTATTTGGAA ACAGCGATTC
 961 TATGCGCCAT TTGCAAGTAT TTACGGACCA GCTTACACAT GGAACCCCAT GCCAGATCGC
 1021 GGCAGTATTA CAGAAAACCA TTATGATCAT GTTCATGTCT CCTTTAATGC TTAA (SEQ ID
 NO:15)

Figure 16

1 QEWTPRSUTE IKSELVLVDN VFTYTVKYGD TLSTIAEAMG IDVHVLGDIN HIANIDLIFP
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 181 TSANRPVPNE SASEEVSSAA PAQAPAEKEE TSAPAAQKAV ADTTSVATSN GLSYAPNHAY
 241 NPMNAGLQPQ TAAFKEEVAS AFGITSFSGY RPGDPGDHGK GLAIDFMVPE NSALGDQVAQ
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Figure 17

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U09352	1	ATGATTATTACTAAAAAGAGCTTATTTGTGACAAGTGTGCGCTTTGTCGTT	50
Oklahoma	1	ATGATTATTACTAAAAAGAGCTTATTTGTGACAAGTGTGCGCTTTGTCGTT	50

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B514	101	CAGAAATCAAGTCTGAACTCGTCCTAGTTGATAATGTTTTTACTTATACA	150
Spy57	101	CAGAAATCAAGTCTGAACTCGTCCTAGTTGATAATGTTTTTACTTATACT	150
U09352	101	CACAAATCAAGTCTGAACTCGTCCTAGTTGATAATGTTTTTACTTATACA	150
Oklahoma	101	CAGAAATCAAGTCTGAACTCGTCCTAGTTGATAATGTTTTTACTTATACT	150
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12384	151	GTAAAATACGGTGACACTTTAAGCACAATTGCTGAAGCAATGGGAATTGA	200
2699	151	GTAAAATACGGTGACACTTTAAGCACAATTGCTGAAGCAATGGGGATTGA	200
B514	151	GTAAAATACGGTGACACTTTAAGCACAATTGCTGAAGCAATGGGGATTGA	200
Spy57	151	GTAAAATACGGTGACACTTTAAGCACAATTGCTGAAGCAATGGGGATTGA	200
U09352	151	GTAAAATACGGTGACACTTTAAGCACAATTGCTGAAGCAATGGGGATTGA	200
Oklahoma	151	GTAAAATACGGTGACACTTTAAGCACAATTGCTGAAGCAATGGGGATTGA	200

12384	201	TGTGCATGTCTTAGGAGATATTAATCATATTGCTAATATTGACTTAATTT	250
2699	201	TGTGCATGTCTTAGGAGATATTAATCATATTGCTAATATTGACTTAATTT	250
B514	201	TGTGCATGTCTTAGGAGATATTAATCATATTGCTAATATTGACTTAATTT	250
Spy57	201	TGTGCATGTCTTAGGAGATATTAATCATATTGCTAATATTGACCTAATTT	250
U09352	201	TGTGCATGTCTTAGGAGATATTAATCATATTGCTAATATTGACTTAATTT	250
Oklahoma	201	TGTGCATGTCTTAGGAGATATTAATCATATTGCTAATATTGACCTAATTT	250

12384	251	TTCCAGACACGATCCTAACAGCCAACTACAACCAACACGGTCAGGCAACG	300
2699	251	TTCCAGACACGATCCTAACAGCAAACCTACAACCAACACGGTCAGGCAACG	300
B514	251	TTCCAGACACGATCCTAACAGCAAACCTACAATCAACACGGTCAGGCAACG	300
Spy57	251	TTCCAGACACGATCCTAACAGCAAACCTACAATCAACACGGTCAGGCAACG	300
U09352	251	TTCCAGACACGATCCTAACAGCAAACCTACAACCAACACGGTCAGGCAACG	300
Oklahoma	251	TTCCAGACACGATCCTAACAGCAAACCTACAATCAACACGGTCAGGCAACG	300

12384	301	ACTTTGACGGTTCAAGCGCCTGCTTCTAGTCCAGCTAGCGTTAGTCATGT	350
2699	301	ACTTTGACGGTTCAAGCACCTGCTTCTAGTCCATCTAGCGTTAGTCATGT	350
B514	301	ACTTTGACGGTTCAAGCACCTGCTTCTAGTCCAGCTAGCGTTAGTCATGT	350
Spy57	301	AATTTGACGGTTCAAGCACCTGCTTCTAGTCCAGCTAGCGTTAGTCATGT	350
U09352	301	ACTTTGACGGTTCAAGCGCCTGCTTCTAGTCCAGCTAGCGTTAGTCATGT	350
Oklahoma	301	AATTTGACGGTTCAAGCACCTGCTTCTAGTCCAGCTAGCGTTAGTCATGT	350
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12384	351	ACCTAGCAGTGAGCCATTACCCCAAGCATCTGCCACCTCTCAATCGACTG	400
2699	351	ACCTAGCAGTGAGCCATTACCCCAAGCATCTGCCACCTCTCAACCGACTG	400
B514	351	ACCTAGCAGTGAGCCATTACCCCAAGCATCTGCCACCTCTCAACCGACTG	400
Spy57	351	ACCTAGCAGTGAGCCATTACCCCAAGCATCTGCCACCTCTCAACCGACTG	400
U09352	351	ACCTAGCAGTGAGCCATTACCCCAAGCATCTGCCACCTCTCAATCGACTA	400
Oklahoma	351	ACCTAGCAGTGAGCCATTACCCCAAGCATCTGCCACCTCTCAACCGACTG	400

12384	401	TTCTATGGCACCATCTGCGACACCATCTGATGTCCCAACGACACCATTC	450
2699	401	TTCTATGGCACCATCTGCGACACCATCTGATGTCCCAACGACACCATTC	450
B514	401	TTCTATGGCACCATCTGCGACACCAT-----TA	429
Spy57	401	TTCTATGGCACCACCTGCGACACCATCTGATGTCCCAACGACACCATTC	450
U09352	401	TTCTATGGCACCATCTGCGACACCATCTGATGTCCCAACGACACCATTA	450
Oklahoma	401	TTCTATGGCACCACCTGCGACACCATCTGATGTCCCAACGACACCATTC	450
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12384	451	GCATCTGCAAAGCCAGATAGTTCTGTGACAGCGTCATCTGAGCTCACATC	500
2699	451	GCATCTGCAAAGCCAGATAGTTCTGTGACAGCGTCATCTGAGCTCACATC	500
B514	430	GCATCTGCAAAGCCAGATAGTTCTGTGACAGCGTCATCTGAGCTCACATC	479
Spy57	451	GCATCTGCAAAGCCAGATAGTTCTGTGACAGCGTCATCTGAGCTCACATC	500
U09352	451	GCATCTGCAAAGCCAGATAGTTTGTGACAGCGTCATCTGAGCTCACATC	500
Oklahoma	451	GCATCTGCAAAGCCAGATAGTTCTGTGACAGCGTCATCTGAGCTCACATC	500

12384	501	GTCAACGAATGATGTTTCGACTGAGTTGTCTAGCGAATCACAAAAGCAGC	550
2699	501	GTCAACGAATGATGTTTCGACTGAGTTGTCTAGCGAATCACAAAAGCAGC	550
B514	480	GTCAACGAATGATGTTTCGACTGAGTCGTCTAGCGAATCACAAAAGCAGC	529
Spy57	501	GTCAACGAATGATGTTTCGACTGAGTTGTCTAGCGAATCACAAAAGCAGC	550
U09352	501	ATCAACGAATGATGTTTCGACTGAGTTGTCTAGCGAATCACAAAAGCAGC	550
Oklahoma	501	GTCAACGAATGATGTTTCGACTGAGTTGTCTAGCGAATCACAAAAGCAGC	550

12384	551	CAGAAGTACCACAAGAAGCAGTTCCAACCTCCTAAAGCAGCTGAAACGACT	600
2699	551	CAGAAGTACCACAAGAAGCAGTTCCAACCTCCTAAAGCAGCTGAACCGACT	600
B514	530	CAGAAGTACCACAAGAAGCAGTTCCAACCTCCTAAAGCAGCTGAAACGACT	579
Spy57	551	CAGAAGTACCACAAGAAGCAGTTCCAACCTCCTAAAGCAGCTGAAACGACT	600
U09352	551	CAGAAGTACCACAAGAAGCAGAACCAACTCCTAAAGCAGCTGAAACGACT	600
Oklahoma	551	CAGAAGTACCACAAGAAGCAGTTCCAACCTCCTAAAGCAGCTGAAACGACT	600

12384	601	GAAGTCGAACCTAAGACAGACATCTCAGAGGATTCAACTTCAGCTAATAG	650
2699	601	GAAGTCGAACCTAAGACAGACATCTCAGAAGACCCAACTTCAGCTAATAG	650
B514	580	GAAGTCGAACCTAAGACAGACATCTCAGAAGACCCAACTTCAGCTAATAG	629
Spy57	601	GAAGTCGAACCTAAGACAGACATCTCAGAAGCCCCAACTTCAGCTAATAG	650
U09352	601	GAAGTCGAACCTAAGACAGACATCTCAGAAGATTCAACTTCAGCTAATAG	650
Oklahoma	601	GAAGTCGAACCTAAGACAGACATCTCAGAAGCCCCAACTTCAGCTAATAG	650
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12384	651	GCCTGTACCTAACGAGAGTGCTTCAGAAGAAGTTTCTTCTGCGGCCCCAG	700
2699	651	GCCTGTACCTAACGAGAGTGCTTCAGAAGAAGCTTCTTCTGCGGCCCCAG	700
B514	630	GCCTGTACCTAACGAGAGTGCTTCAGAAGAAGTTTCTTCTGCGGCCCCAG	679
Spy57	651	GCCTGTACCTAACGAGAGTGCTTCAGAAGAAGTTTCTTCTGCGGCCCCAG	700
U09352	651	GCCTGTACCTAACGGAAGTGCTTCAGAAGAAGCTTCTTCTGCGGCCCCAG	700
Oklahoma	651	GCCTGTACCTAACGAGAGTGCTTCAGAAGAAGTTTCTTCTGCGGCCCCAG	700

12384	701	CACAAGCCCCAGCAGAAAAAGAAGAAACCTCT-----GCGCCA	738
2699	701	CACAAGCTCCAGCAGAAAAAGAAGAAACCTCTCAGATGTTAACTGCGCCA	750
B514	680	CACAAGCCCCAGCAGAAAAAGAAGAAACCTCT-----GCGCCA	717
Spy57	701	CACAAGCCCCAGCAGAAAAAGAAGAAACCTCT-----GCGCCA	738
U09352	701	CACAAGCTCCAGCAGAAAAAGAAGAAACCTCTCAGATGTTAACTGCGCCA	750
Oklahoma	701	CACAAGCCCCAGCAGAAAAAGAAGAAACCTCT-----GCGCCA	738

12384	739	GCAGCACAAAAAGCTGTAGCTGACACCACAAGTGTTGCAACCTCAAATGG	788
2699	751	GCAGCACAAAAAGCTGTAGCTGACACCACAAGTGTTGCAACCTCAAACGG	800
B514	718	GCAGCACAAAAAGCTGTAGCTGACACCACAAGTGTTGCAACCTCAAACGG	767
Spy57	739	GCAGCACAAAAAGCTGTAGCTGACACCACAAGTGTTGCAACCTCAAATGG	788
U09352	751	GCAGCACAAAAAGCTGTAGCTGACACCACAAGTGTTGCAACCTCAAACGG	800
Oklahoma	739	GCAGCACAAAAAGCTGTAGCTGACACCACAAGTGTTGCAACCTCAAATGG	788
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12384	789	CCTTTCTTACGCTCCAAACCATGCCTACAATCCAATGAATGCAGGGCTTC	838
2699	801	CCTTTCTTACGCTCCAAACCATGCCTACAATCCAATGAATGCAGGGCTTC	850
B514	768	CCTTTCTTACGCTCCAAACCATGCCTACAATCCAATGAATGCAGGGCTTC	817
Spy57	789	CCTTTCTTACGCTCCAAACCATGCCTACAATCCAATGAATGCAGGGCTTC	838
U09352	801	CCTTTCTTACGCTCCAAACCATGCCTACAATCCAATGAATGCAGGGCTTC	850
Oklahoma	789	CCTTTCTTACGCTCCAAACCATGCCTACAATCCAATGAATGCAGGGCTTC	838

12384	839	AACCACAAACAGCAGCCTTCAAAGAAGAAGTGGCTTCTGCCTTTGGTATT	888
2699	851	AACCACAAACAGCAGCCTTCAAAGAAGAAGTGGCTTCTGCCTTTGGTATT	900
B514	818	AACCACAAACAGCAGCCTTCAAAGAAGAAGTGGCTTCTGCCTTTGGTATT	867
Spy57	839	AACCACAAACAGCAGCCTTCAAAGAAGAAGTGGCTTCTGCCTTTGGTATT	888
U09352	851	AACCACAAACAGCAGCCTTCAAAGAAGAAGTG-CCTTCTGCCTTTGGTATT	899
Oklahoma	839	AACCACAAACAGCAGCCTTCAAAGAAGAAGTGGCTTCTGCCTTTGGTATT	888

12384	889	ACGTCATTTAGTGGTTACCGTCCAGGTGATCCAGGAGATCAT-GGTAAAG	937
2699	901	ACGTCATTTAGTGGTTACCGTCCAGGAGATCCAGGAGATCAT-GGTAAAG	949
B514	868	ACGTCATTTAGTGGTTACCGTCCAGGTGACCCAGGAGATCAT-GGTAAAG	916
Spy57	889	ACGTCATTTAGTGGTTACCGTCCAGGTGATCCAGGAGATCAT-GGTAAAG	937
U09352	900	ACGTCATTTAGTGGTTACCGTCCAGGAGATCCAGGAGATCATTTGGTAAAG	949
Oklahoma	889	ACGTCATTTAGTGGTTACCGTCCAGGTGATCCAGGAGATCAT-GGTAAAG	937

12384	938	GTTTGGCCATTGATTTTATGGTGCCTGAAAATTCTGCTCTTGGTGATCAA	987
2699	950	GATTAGCCATTGACTTTATGGTACCGGTTAGCTCTACGCTTGGTGATCAA	999
B514	917	GTTTGGCCATTGATTTTATGGTGCCTGAAAATTCTGCTCTTGGTGATCAA	966
Spy57	938	GTTTGGCCATTGATTTTATGGTGCCTGAAAATTCTGCTCTTGGTGATCAA	987
U09352	950	GATTAGCCATTGACTTTATGGTACCGGTTAGCTCTACGCTTGGTGATCAA	999
Oklahoma	938	GTTTGGCCATTGATTTTATGGTGCCTGAAAATTCTGCTCTTGGTGATCAA	987
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12384	988	GTTGCTCAATATGCCATTGACCATATGGCAGAGCGTGGTATTTTCATACGT	1037
2699	1000	GTTGCTCAATATGCCATTGACCATATGGCAGAGCGTGGTATTTTCATACGT	1049
B514	967	GTTGCTCAATATGCCATTGACCATATGGCAGAGCGTGGTATTTTCATACGT	1016
Spy57	988	GTTGCTCAATATGCCATTGACCATATGGCAGAGCGTGGTATTTTCATACGT	1037
U09352	1000	GTTGCTCAATATGCCATTGACCATATGGCAGAGCGTGGTATTTTCATACGT	1049
Oklahoma	988	GTTGCTCAATATGCCATTGACCATATGGCAGAGCGTGGTATTTTCATACGT	1037

12384	1038	TATTTGGAACAGCGATTCTATGCGCCATTTGCAAGTATTTACGGACCAG	1087
2699	1050	TATTTGGAACAGCGATTCTATGCGCCATTTGCAAGTATTTACGGACCAG	1099
B514	1017	TATTTGGAACAGCGATTCTATGCGCCATTTGCAAGTATTTACGGACCAG	1066
Spy57	1038	TATTTGGAACAGCGATTCTATGCGCCATTTGCAAGTATTTACGGACCAG	1087
U09352	1050	TATTTGGAACAGCGATTCTATGCGCCATTTGCAAGTATTTACGGACCAG	1099
Oklahoma	1038	TATTTGGAACAGCGATTCTATGCGCCATTTGCAAGTATTTACGGACCAG	1087

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12384	1088	CCTACACATGGAACCCCATGCCAGATCGCGGCAGTATTACAGAAAACCAT	1137
2699	1100	CCTACACATGGAACCCCATGCCAGATCGCGGCAGTATTACAGAAAACCAT	1149
B514	1067	CTTACACATGGAACCCCATGCCAGATCGCGGCAGTATTACAGAAAACCAT	1116
Spy57	1088	CCTACACATGGAACCCCATGCCAGATCGCGGCAGTATTACAGAAAACCAT	1137
U09352	1100	CCTACACATGGAACCCCATGCCAGATCGCGGCAGTATTACAGTTTTCAT	1149
Oklahoma	1088	CCTACACATGGAACCCCATGCCAGATCGCGGCAGTATTACAGAAAACCAT	1137
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12384	1138	TATGATCATGTTTCATGTCTCCTTTAATGCTTAA	1170
2699	1150	TATGATCATGTTTCATGTCTCCTTTAATGCTTAA	1182
B514	1117	TATGATCATGTTTCATGTCTCCTTTAATGCTTAA	1149
Spy57	1138	TATGATCATGTTTCATGTCTCCTTTAATGCTTAA	1170
U09352	1150	TATGATCATGTTTCATGTCTCCTTTAATGCTTAA	1182
Oklahoma	1138	TATGATCATGTTTCATGTCTCCTTTAATGCTTAA	1170

Figure 18

12384	1	MIITKKSLFVTSVALSLAPLATAQAQEWTPRSVTEIKSELVLVDNVFTYT	50
2699	1	MIITKKSLFVTSVALSLAPLATAQAQEWTPRSVTEIKSELVLVDNVFTYI	50
B514	1	MIITKKSLFVTSVALSLAPLATAQAQEWTPRSVTEIKSELVLVDNVFTYT	50
Spy57	1	MIITKKSLFVTSVALSLVPLATAQAQEWTPRSVTEIKSELVLVDNVFTYT	50
U09352	1	MIITKKSLFVTSVALSLAPLATAQAQEWTPRSVTQIKSELVLVDNVFTYT	50
Oklahoma	1	MIITKKSLFVTSVALSLVPLATAQAQEWTPRSVTEIKSELVLVDNVFTYT	50

12384	51	VKYGDTLSTIAEAMGIDVHVLGDINHIANIDLIFPDTILTANYNQHGQAT	100
2699	51	VKYGDTLSTIAEAMGIDVHVLGDINHIANIDLIFPDTILTANYNQHGQAT	100
B514	51	VKYGDTLSTIAEAMGIDVHVLGDINHIANIDLIFPDTILTANYNQHGQAT	100
Spy57	51	VKYGDTLSTIAEAMGIDVHVLGDINHIANIDLIFPDTILTANYNQHGQAT	100
U09352	51	VKYGDTLSTIAEAMGIDVHVLGDINHIANIDLIFPDTILTANYNQHGQAT	100
Oklahoma	51	VKYGDTLSTIAEAMGIDVHVLGDINHIANIDLIFPDTILTANYNQHGQAT	100

12384	101	TLTVQAPASSPASVSHVPSSEPLPQASATSQSTVPMAPSATPSDVPTTPF	150
2699	101	TLTVQAPASSPSSVSHVPSSEPLPQASATSQPTVPMAPSATPSDVPTTPF	150
B514	101	TLTVQAPASSPASVSHVPSSEPLPQASATSQPTVPMAPSATP-----L	143
Spy57	101	NLTVQAPASSPASVSHVPSSEPLPQASATSQPTVPMAPPATPSDVPTTPF	150
U09352	101	TLTVQAPASSPASVSHVPSSEPLPQASATSQSTIPMAPSATPSDVPTTPL	150
Oklahoma	101	NLTVQAPASSPASVSHVPSSEPLPQASATSQPTVPMAPPATPSDVPTTPF	150

12384	151	ASAKPDSSVTASSELTSSTNDVSTELSSSESQKQPEVPQEAVPTPKAAETT	200
2699	151	ASAKPDSSVTASSELTSSTNDVSTELSSSESQKQPEVPQEAVPTPKAAEPT	200
B514	144	ASAKPDSSVTASSELTSSTNDVSTELSSSESQKQPEVPQEAVPTPKAAETT	193
Spy57	151	ASAKPDSSVTASSELTSSTNDVSTELSSSESQKQPEVPQEAVPTPKAAETT	200
U09352	151	ASAKPDSFVTASSELTSSTNDVSTELSSSESQKQPEVPQEAEPTPKAAEST	200
Oklahoma	151	ASAKPDSSVTASSELTSSTNDVSTELSSSESQKQPEVPQEAVPTPKAAETT	200

12384	201	EVEPKTDISEDSTSANRPVPNESASEEVSSAAPAQAPAEKE---ETSAP	246
2699	201	EVEPKTDISEDPTSANRPVPNESASEEASSAAPAQAPAEKEETSQMLTAP	250
B514	194	EVEPKTDISEDPTSANRPVPNESASEEVSSAAPAQAPAEKE---ETSAP	239
Spy57	201	EVEPKTDISEAPTSANRPVPNESASEEVSSAAPAQAPAEKE---ETSAP	246
U09352	201	EVEPKTDISEDSTSANRPVPNGSASEEASSAAPAQAPAEKEETSQMLTAP	250
Oklahoma	201	EVEPKTDISEAPTSANRPVPNESASEEVSSAAPAQAPAEKE---ETSAP	246

12384	247	AAQKAVADTTTSVATSNGLSYAPNHAYNPMNAGLQPQTAAFKEEVASAFGI	296
2699	251	AAQKAVADTTTSVATSNGLSYAPNHAYNPMNAGLQPQTAAFKEEVASAFGI	300
B514	240	AAQKAVADTTTSVATSNGLSYAPNHAYNPMNAGLQPQTAAFKEEVASAFGI	289
Spy57	247	AAQKAVADTTTSVATSNGLSYAPNHAYNPMNAGLQPQTAAFKEEVASAFGI	296
U09352	251	AAQKAVADTTTSVATSNGLSYAPNHAYNPMNAGLQPQTAAFKEEVLLPLVL	300
Oklahoma	247	AAQKAVADTTTSVATSNGLSYAPNHAYNPMNAGLQPQTAAFKEEVASAFGI	296

12384	297	TSFSGYRPGDPGDHGKGLAIDFMPENSALGDQVAQY AIDHMAERGISYV	346
2699	301	TSFSGYRPGDPGDHGKGLAIDFMPVVSSTLGDQVAQY AIDHMAERGISYV	350
B514	290	TSFSGYRPGDPGDHGKGLAIDFMPENSALGDQVAQY AIDHMAERGISYV	339
Spy57	297	TSFSGYRPGDPGDHGKGLAIDFMPENSALGDQVAQY AIDHMAERGISYV	346
U09352	301	RHLVVTVQEIQEIIGKGLAIDFMPVVSSTLGDQVAQY AIDHMADGGISYV	350
Oklahoma	297	TSFSGYRPGDPGDHGKGLAIDFMPENSALGDQVAQY AIDHMAERGISYV	346

12384	347	IWKQRFYAPFASIYGPAYTWNPMMPDRGSITENHYDHSVHVSFNA	389
2699	351	IWKQRFYAPFASIYGPAYTWNPMMPDRGSITENHYDHSVHVSFNA	393
B514	340	IWKQRFYAPFASIYGPAYTWNPMMPDRGSITENHYDHSVHVSFNA	382
Spy57	347	IWKQRFYAPFASIYGPAYTWNPMMPDRGSITENHYDHSVHVSFNA	389
U09352	351	IWKQRFYAPFASIYGPAYTWNPMMPDRGSITVFHYDHSVHVSFNA	393
Oklahoma	347	IWKQRFYAPFASIYGPAYTWNPMMPDRGSITENHYDHSVHVSFNA	389
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Figure 19

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101 AGCAAATCCA AAACGATTTG ACTAAAACGG ACAACAAAAC AAGTTATAACC
151 GTACAGTATG GTGATACTTT GAGCACCATT GCAGAAGCCT TGGGTGTAGA
201 TGTCACAGTG CTTGCGAATC TGAACAAAAT CACTAATATG GACTTGATTT
251 TCCCAGAAAC TGTTTTGACA ACGACTGTCA ATGAAGCAGA AGAAGTAACA
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351 TGCGACAGCA GATTTGACCA CTAATCAAGT GACCGTTGAT GATCAAACCTG
401 TTCAGGTTGC AGACCTTTCT CAACCAATTG CAGAAGTTAC AAAGACAGTG
451 ATTGCTTCTG AAGAAGTGGC ACCATCTACG GGCACCTCTG TCCCAGAGGA
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551 CGACTCCAGC TGAGAAGCAG GAAACACAAG CAAGCCCTCA AGCTGCATCA
601 GCAGTGGAAG TAACTACAAC AAGTTCAGAA GCAAAAGAAG TAGCATCATC
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701 TAATTTCAAC AACTTACGAG GCTCCAGCTG CGCCCGATTA TGCTGGACTT
751 GCAGTAGCAA AATCTGAAAA TGCAGGTCTT CAACCACAAA CAGCTGCCTT
801 TAAAGAAGAA ATTGCTAACT TGTTTGGCAT TACATCCTTT AGTGTTATC
851 GTCCAGGAGA CAGTGGAGAT CACGGAAAAG GTTTGGCTAT CGACTTTATG
901 GTACCAGAAC GTTCAGAATT AGGGGATAAG ATTGCGGAAT ATGCTATTCA
951 AAATATGGCC AGCCGTGGCA TTAGTTACAT CATCTGGAAG CAACGTTTCT
1001 ATGCTCCATT CGATAGCAAA TATGGGCCAG CTAACACTTG GAACCCAATG
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101 EVEIQTPQAD SSEEVTATA DLTTNQVTVD DQTVQVADLS QPIAEVTKTV
151 IASEEVAPST GTSVP EEQT ETTRPVEEAT PQETTPAEKQ ETQASPQAAS
201 AVEVTTTSSE AKEVASSNGA TAAVSTYQPE ETKIISTTYE APAAPDYAGL
251 AVAKSENAGL QPQTAAFKEE IANLFGITSF SGYRPGDSGD HGKGLAIDFM
301 VPERSELGDK IAEYAIQNMA SRGISYIIWK QRFYAPFDSK YGPANTWNPM
351 PDRGSVTENH YDHVHVS MNG * (SEQ ID NO:18)

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