## The primary structure of rat ribosomal protein L32

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The amino acid sequence of rat ribosomal protein L32 was deduced from the sequence of nucleotides in a recombinant cDNA and confirmed from the sequence of amino acids at the NH<sub>2</sub>-terminus of the protein. A single synthetic DNA oligonucleotide (30-mer) encoding 10 of the amino acids in human ribosomal protein L32 (1) was used to screen a rat cDNA library. A number of clones were identified and the sequence of nucleotides in one, pL32-17, was determined. The open reading frame in pL32-17 is 405 nucleotides in length and encodes a protein containing 135 residues. The sequence of amino acids at the NH<sub>2</sub>-terminus of rat L32 determined from the protein is AALRPLVK. This corresponds precisely to the sequence encoded in pL32-17 except that the NH<sub>2</sub>-terminal methionine is removed after translation of the mRNA. Thus, the molecular weight of mature rat L32 is 15,730. Protein L32 has 39 basic residues and only 9 acid ones; 37 of the 134 amino acids are hydrophobic; and there are 6 prolys. Thus, L32 is very basic and quite hydrophobic.

Rat L32 is homologous with ribosomal proteins from other eukaryotic species: with L32 from humans (1); L32 from mouse (2); and rp49 from <u>Drosophila melanogaster</u> (3). The amino acid sequences of rat, mouse, and human L32 are identical. In the comparison of <u>D</u>. <u>melanogaster</u> rp49 and rat L32 there are 84 identities out of 123 possible matches (68%).

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