

Biosafety Clearing-House (BCH)

GENETIC ELEMENT (GENE)

BCH-GENE-SCBD-113298-1

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General information

Name of genetic element

delta 5-desaturase gene

EN

Abbreviation

CS-delta5D-REBSA

EN

Category

Protein coding sequence

Is this genetic element a synthetic molecule?

No

Donor organism

Donor organism(s)

[BCH-ORGA-SCBD-113295-1](#) ORGANISM | REBECCA SALINA (MICROALGA, REBSA) |

Algae

Characteristics of the protein coding sequence

Name of the protein expressed by the coding sequence

delta 5-desaturase

EN

Biological function of the protein

Fatty acid desaturase that introduces a cis double bond at the 5-position in 20-carbon polyunsaturated fatty acids incorporated in a glycerolipid that contain a Delta8 double bond.

EN

Related trait(s) or use(s) in biotechnology

Changes in quality and/or metabolite content
Lipid and fatty acids

Additional Information

Other relevant website addresses and/or attached documents

? [Isolation and characterization of genes from the marine microalga Pavlova salina encoding three front-end desaturases involved in docosahexaenoic acid biosynthesis \(English \)](#)

? [Acyl-lipid \(8-3\)-desaturase - UniProt \(English \)](#)

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Further Information

Questions about the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety or the operation of the Biosafety Clearing-House may be directed to the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity.

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