





## **Biosafety Clearing-House (BCH)**

GENETIC ELEMENT (GENE)

BCH-GENE-SCBD-115761-1

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#### **General information**

Name of genetic element

Cry14Ab1

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Abbreviation

Cry14Ab1

ΕN

Category

Protein coding sequence

Is this genetic element a synthetic molecule?

No

## **Donor organism**

Donor organism(s)

BCH-ORGA-SCBD-45614-11 ORGANISM | BACILLUS THURINGIENSIS (BT, BACILLUS, BACTU) | Bacteria

# Characteristics of the protein coding sequence

Biological function of the protein

CRY14Ab1 is a crystal protein from *Bacillus thuringiensis* related to the other crystal proteins CRY1A, CRY3A and CRY4A. Structurally, the protein contains three domains. The protein has been demonstrated to have nematicidal activity against *Caenorhabditis elegans*, *Panagrellus redivivus*, *Nippostrongylus brasiliensis*, *Distolabrellus veechi*, *Meloidogyne spp.* (root knot nematodes), *Rotylenchulus reniformis* (reniform nematode), *Hopiolaimus spp.* (Lance nematode), *Pratylenchus spp.* and *Heterodera glycines* (soybean cyst nematode). The protein is thought to act in the intestine of nematodes. During feeding assays with *C. elegans*, the symptoms included constriction and thinning of intestinal cells, shrinkage of the gut, vacuolization and a degenerative appearance. Due to its relation to other crystal proteins, it is thought that CRY14A may also have insecticidal properties as well.

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

Resistance to diseases and pests

Nematodes

#### **Additional Information**

Other relevant website addresses and/or attached documents

- ? NCBI GenBank AGU13817.1 ( English )
- ? Bacillus thuringiensis crystal proteins that taregt nematodes.pdf ( English )
- $\ref{MO2018119336A1}$  Use of CRY14 for the control of nematode pests.pdf ( <code>English</code> )

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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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