

Molecular Biology

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SGC Construct ID: GLRX5A-c006

Protein Region: G35-E150

Vector: pNIC28-Bsa4

Tag: N-6HIS;N-TEV

Host: BL21(DE3)-R3-pRARE2

Sequence (with tag(s)):

MHHHHHHSSGVDLG TENLYFQSMGAGGGGSAEQLDALVKKDKVVVFLKGTPEQPQCG
FSNAV VQILRLHGV RDYAAYNV LDDPELRQG IKDYSNWPTIPQVYLNGEFVGGCDILLQ
MHQNGDLVEELKKLGIHSALLDE

Sequence after tag cleavage:

SMGAGGGGSAEQLDALVKKDKVVVFLKGTPEQPQCGFSNAV VQILRLHGV RDYAAYNV
LDDPELRQG IKDYSNWPTIPQVYLNGEFVGGCDILLQMHQNGDLVEELKKLGIHSALLDE

DNA Sequence:

CATATGCACCATCATCATCATCATTCTTCTGGTGTAGATCTGGGTACCGAGAACCTGTA
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TCTGCAGATGCACCAGAATGGGGACTTGGTGGAAGAACTGAAAAAGCTGGGGATCCA
CTCCGCCCTTTTAGATGAATGACAGTAAAGGTGGATACGGATCCGAA

Protein Expression

Medium: TB

Antibiotics: Kanamycin

Procedure: The plasmid was transformed into a phage-resistant derivative of *Escherichia coli* strain BL21(DE3) carrying the pRARE2 plasmid for rare codon expression. The cells were grown at 37 °C in Terrific Broth supplemented with 50 µg/ml kanamycin and 34 µg/ml chloramphenicol, until the culture reached a D_{600} of 1.5. The temperature was decreased to 18 °C and protein expression was induced with 0.1 mM IPTG (isopropyl β-D-thiogalactopyranoside) overnight. The cells were collected by centrifugation (5000 *g* for 15 min) and frozen at −80 °C.

Protein Purification

Procedure: Cell pellets were resuspended in 50 mM Hepes (pH 7.5), 500 mM NaCl, 20 mM imidazole, 5% glycerol and protease inhibitors (Complete, Sigma) and lysed by sonication (20 kHz with 2 s on and 3 s off for 10min). Cell debris and nucleic acids were removed by addition of 0.15% polyethyleneimine followed by centrifugation for 45 min at 40000 *g*. The proteins were purified by nickel-affinity chromatography (5 ml Ni-Sepharose FF, GE Healthcare) using a stepwise gradient of imidazole, and fractions were analysed by SDS/PAGE. The protein was concentrated and the buffer was exchanged to 50 mM Hepes (pH 7.5), 500 mM NaCl, 5% (v/v) glycerol, 10 mM GSH, 3 mM DTT (dithiothreitol) and 0.5 mM TCEP [tris-(2-carboxyethyl)phosphine] using an Amicon centrifugal filtration unit [Millipore, 3kDa MWCO (molecular mass cut-off)]. The histidine tag was removed by incubating GLRX5 with TEV protease (150 µg of TEV/10 mg of GLRX5) for 16 h at 4 °C. The protein was re-purified by

applying to a nickel-affinity column (500 µl of Ni-Sepharose FF, GE Healthcare) and the flow-through was collected. The TEV-cleaved protein was concentrated using an Amicon 3K-centrifugal filtration unit and used for crystallization and further characterization.

Concentration: 93.0 mg/ml

Mass-spec Verification: Yes

Structure Determination

Crystallization: SeMet-substituted crystals were grown by vapour diffusion employing the sitting drop method, using 75 nl of protein (37 mg/ml) and 75 nl of well solution containing 70% (v/v) MPD (2-methyl-2,4-pentanediol) and 0.1 M Hepes (pH 7.5). Native crystals were grown using the same technique in a drop of 150 nl of protein (93 mg/ml) and 150 nl of well solution containing 50% (v/v) PEG [poly(ethylene glycol)] 300, 0.2 M MgCl₂, 0.1 M cacodylate (pH 6.5) and 0.01 M spermine tetrahydrochloride.

Data Collection: *Beamline:* SLS-X10; *Resolution:* 2.4 Å

Data Processing: Data were processed in Mosflm, solved by anomalous scattering with SHELXD and SHELXE. The phases were improved in SHARP and Buccaneer was used to build fragments of secondary structural elements into the solvent-flattened maps. After rigid body refinement in REFMAC5 and phase improvement using Parrot, the maps enabled a first rough rebuild in Coot. The resulting model was used for molecular replacement into the higher-resolution native data with Phaser.