

Supplementary information

The synthesized *NheI*-intron-opvhb-*SmaI* sequence

GCTAGC**ATGCCCGTGAGTCCTGCATCCCCATCGTGCACCGTATTCACCTCAT**
CGTTGGCCCCCTCTCACAGGTCAAGGTCATGCTGACCAGCAGACCATC
AACATCATCAAGGCCACCGTCCCCGTCCCTCAAGGAGCACGGCGTACCATC
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CCGCCCAACTACCCCCATCGTCGGCCAGGAGCTCCTCGCGCCATCAAGGAG
GTCCTCGCGACGCCGCCACCGACGACATCCTCGACGCCTGGGCAAGGC
CTACGGCGTCATCGCCGACGTCTTATCCAGGTCGAGGCCGACCTCTACGC
CCAGGCCGTGAGTGA**CCCGGG**

The *gpd* intron sequence was highlighted in red-color font

Sequence alignment of the original and optimized VHb gene.

Sequence alignment	
5' Flanking	
Protein	M L D Q Q T I N I I K A T V P V L K E H G V T I T T T F Y K
Original 1	ATGTTAGACCAGCAAACATTAAACATCATCAAAGCCACTGTTCTGTATTGAAGGAGCATGGCGTACCATTAACGACTTTTATAAAA
Optimized	ATGCTCGACCAGCAGACCATC AACATCATCAAGGCCACCGTCCCCGTCTCAAGGAGCACGGCGTACCATCACCACCTCTACAAAG
Protein	N L F A K H P E V R P L F D M G R Q E S L E Q P K A L A M T
Original 91	AACTGTGTTGCCAACACCCCTGAAGTACGTCTTTGTTGATATGGGTCGCCAAGAATCTTGGAGCAGCCTAAGGCTTGGCGATGACG
Optimized	AACCTCTCGCAAGCACCCCGAGGTCGCCCTCTCGAC ATGGGCCGCAGGAGTCCTCGAGCAGCCCAGGCCATGACG
Protein	V L A A A Q N I E N L P A I L P A V K K I A V K H C Q A G V
Original 181	GTATTGGCGGCAGCCAAACATTGAAAATTGCCAGCTTTGCTGCGTAAAAAAATTGAGTCAAACATTGTCAGCAGGCCGTG
Optimized	GTCCTCGGGGCCAGAACATCGAGAACCTCCCGCCATCCTCCCGCCGTC AAAGAGATCGCGTCAAGCACTGCCAGGCCGGCGTC
Protein	A A A H Y P I V G Q E L L G A I K E V L G D A A T D D I L D
Original 271	GCAGCAGCGCATTATCGATTGCGGTCAAGAATTGTTGGGTGCGATTAAAGAAGTATTGGGCGATGCCGCAACCGATGACATTGGAC
Optimized	GCCGCCGCCACTACCCCATCGTCGGCAGGAGCTCTCGCGCCATCAAGGAGGTCTCGGCAGCAGGCCACCGACGACATCCTCGAC
Protein	A W G K A Y G V I A D V F I Q V E A D L Y A Q A V E *
Original 361	GCGTGGGCAAGGCTTATGGCGTGATTGCGAGATGTGTTATTCAAGTGGAGCAGATTGTCAGCTCAAGGGTTGAATAA
Optimized	GCCCTGGGCAAGGCCTACGGCGTACGCCGACGTC TTTATCCAGGTCGAGGCCGACCTCTACGCCAGGCCGTCAGTGA
3' Flanking	