

DHFR-C11-Pk

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DHFR-C12-Myc

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DHFR-C13-HA

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INPUT	DHFR-C11-Pk	DHFR-C12-Myc	DHFR-C13-HA
No addition	11 C's 198 aa 22.39 kDa MISLIAALAVDRVIGMENAM PWNLPADLAWFKRNTLNKP VIMGRHTWESIGRPLPGRKN IILSSQPGTDDRTWVKSVD AIAACGDVPEIMVIGGGRVYE QFLPKAQKLYLTHIDAEVEGD THFPDYEPDDWESVFSEFHD ADAQNSHSYCFEILERREPSA PPP IVQNI IPNPLLGLD VPIRC RLRWNKNSSQKRI	12 C's 199 aa 22.43 kDa MISLIAALAVDRVIGMENAM PWNLPADLAWFKRNTLNKP VIMGRHTWESIGRPLPGRKN IILSSQPGTDDRTWVKSVD AIAACGDVPEIMVIGGGRVYE QFLPKAQKLYLTHIDAEVEGD THFPDYEPDDWESVFSEFHD ADAQNSHSYCFEILERREPSA PPP HRAEHPPQPPAGPGRTH MFQITLE EQKLISEEDL	13 C's 199 aa 22.43 kDa MISLIAALAVDRVIGMENAM PWNLPADLAWFKRNTLNKP VIMGRHTWESIGRPLPGRKN IILSSQPGTDDRTWVKSVD AIAACGDVPEIMVIGGGRVYE QFLPKAQKLYLTHIDAEVEGD THFPDYEPDDWESVFSEFHD ADAQNSHSYCFEILERREPSA PPP PSCRTSPTPCWAWT YPY DVPDYA GTKTHLRRGSVMRI
One C added	12 C's 207 aa 23.34 kDa MISLIAALAVDRVIGMENAM PWNLPADLAWFKRNTLNKP VIMGRHTWESIGRPLPGRKN IILSSQPGTDDRTWVKSVD AIAACGDVPEIMVIGGGRVYE QFLPKAQKLYLTHIDAEVEGD THFPDYEPDDWESVFSEFHD ADAQNSHSYCFEILERREPSA PPP HRAEHPPQPPAGPGRTH MFQITLE EQKLISEEDL MRIPGI LE	13 C's 208 aa 23.44 kDa MISLIAALAVDRVIGMENAM PWNLPADLAWFKRNTLNKP VIMGRHTWESIGRPLPGRKN IILSSQPGTDDRTWVKSVD AIAACGDVPEIMVIGGGRVYE QFLPKAQKLYLTHIDAEVEGD THFPDYEPDDWESVFSEFHD ADAQNSHSYCFEILERREPSA PPP PSCRTSPTPCWAWT YPY DVPDYA GTKTHLRRGSVMRI PGILE	14 C's 208 aa 23.51 kDa MISLIAALAVDRVIGMENAM PWNLPADLAWFKRNTLNKP VIMGRHTWESIGRPLPGRKN IILSSQPGTDDRTWVKSVD AIAACGDVPEIMVIGGGRVYE QFLPKAQKLYLTHIDAEVEGD THFPDYEPDDWESVFSEFHD ADAQNSHSYCFEILERREPSA PPP PIVQNI IPNPLLGLD VPIRC SRLRWNKNSSQKRILM RIPGI LE
Two C's added	13 C's 223 aa 25.24 kDa MISLIAALAVDRVIGMENAM PWNLPADLAWFKRNTLNKP VIMGRHTWESIGRPLPGRKN IILSSQPGTDDRTWVKSVD AIAACGDVPEIMVIGGGRVYE QFLPKAQKLYLTHIDAEVEGD THFPDYEPDDWESVFSEFHD ADAQNSHSYCFEILERREPSA PPP PSCRTSPTPCWAWT YPY DVPDYA GTKTHLRRGSNEDP GNSVRVLTCCRPLIKVVRPR	14 C's 224 aa 25.40 kDa MISLIAALAVDRVIGMENAM PWNLPADLAWFKRNTLNKP VIMGRHTWESIGRPLPGRKN IILSSQPGTDDRTWVKSVD AIAACGDVPEIMVIGGGRVYE QFLPKAQKLYLTHIDAEVEGD THFPDYEPDDWESVFSEFHD ADAQNSHSYCFEILERREPSA PPP PIVQNI IPNPLLGLD VPIRC SRLRWNKNSSQKRICNEDPG NSVRVLTCCRPLIKVVRPR	15 C's 224 aa 25.34 kDa MISLIAALAVDRVIGMENAM PWNLPADLAWFKRNTLNKP VIMGRHTWESIGRPLPGRKN IILSSQPGTDDRTWVKSVD AIAACGDVPEIMVIGGGRVYE QFLPKAQKLYLTHIDAEVEGD THFPDYEPDDWESVFSEFHD ADAQNSHSYCFEILERREPSA PPP HRAEHPPQPPAGPGRTH TMFQITLE EQKLISEEDL NEDP GNSVRVLTCCRPLIKVVRPR

(b)

Supplementary Figure S1. Open reading frames and their predicted protein products used in the *in vitro* transcription/translation assay. Homocytidine runs are shown in bold. (a) Open reading frames of the input plasmids containing 11-, 12- and 13-*c*-cytidine runs. (b) The predicted translated products of the three input plasmids and their derivatives with one or two additional cytidines in the homocytidine run. DHFR - dihydrofolate reductase. Amino acids of the Pk (also known as SV5 – IPNPLLGLD), Myc (EQKLISEEDL) and HA (YDVPDYA) tags are colour coded. The homocytidine stretch is highlighted (yellow box).