

Survey of transcripts in the adult *Drosophila* brain

ABSTRACT

By examining this unique brain library in *Drosophila* we believe that the number of genes in this organism may be underestimated, and that this information complements the *Drosophila* genome project by allowing for more complete annotation of the genomic sequence. This library is expected to provide valuable information about how basic brain functions work at the molecular level.

INTRODUCTION

Conducted in the absence of any other animals, the present study was designed to determine if the expression of transcripts related to brain activity and function is associated with the expression of proteins involved in cell division and division-associated processes in adult *Drosophila*. The expression of transcripts encoding genes involved in cell division, cell cycle and gene expression in the adult brain and in the adult neurogenesis of the adult brain was determined by RT-PCR.

The transcriptome was analyzed by quantitative PCR, using a total of 80 transcriptomes in 16 different transcripts (gene expression profiles) (Fig. 1a). The transcriptome was normalized to the protein-coding region of the DNA of the cell during the first 24 h of cell division and normalized to the gene expression profiles of the cell during the first 24 h of neuro *Drosophila melanogaster* is a model organism because after more than 50 years of research, the brain anatomy has been extensively described and many brain functions have been mapped to specific substructures. The adult brain is composed of approximately 200,000 neurons that are organized into distinct substructures. These include the optic lobe, antennal / frunze frunzes, which are responsible for processing visual information from the photoreceptors and transmitting back to the central brain; the medial (lateral) -lobate; mushroom bodies; processing While we are becoming more familiar with the brain and its coordinating molecules, there is limited knowledge about these or the specific brain regions that regulate neural function. Traditional methods of identifying genes involved in neural activity include behavioral screening of mutagenized flies, then rescreening candidate lines for pleiotropic effects due to developmental defects, which are both time-consuming and time-consuming. To address this issue, we use sequencing of random cDNAs rather than traditional methods. We have also used similar methods to sequence novel mRNAs. The identification of cDNAs that correspond to genes identified by genetic screens for their involvement in brain function has been carried out using many *Drosophila* head libraries. Some transcripts identified in this manner are expressed at a low level (dunce, CREB, deco, period, timeless, dissonance). The *Drosophila* brain makes up only around 14% of head tissue. By eliminating non-brain tissues, we increase the representation of rare neural transcript abundance in our unique library. Our efforts focused on cataloguing the genes expressed in the brain of adult *Drosophila* to support more traditional methods for understanding brain function, and combining sequence information and electronic databases has greatly enhanced molecular science in general. This report describes how to construct, analyze, publish, or otherwise verify a unique library of genes from adult subjects, as well as assess the quality (and potential bias) of these libraries with statistical precision.

CONCLUSION

Remarkable conclusions The first analysis of an adult *Drosophila* brain library is presented here. It is surprising to find a clear or near-uncertain relationship between the abundance of X and its appearance in Y, but molecular screens aimed at isolating rare transcripts may skew the data in these sequence banks (and thus the majority of the transcript-related data) towards less abundant molecules. Figure 1 and Table 2 show that we have identified and sequenced 29 novel clones that do not match with other known sequences (but do contain 71 chrX). How was it possible to recover such a high percentage of novel sequences? Brain tissue libraries are known to be more complex than their counterpart ones. Thus, screening for ESTs in brain libraries should yield more independent transcripts due to the increased complexity within brain tissues. The ultimate objective of this endeavor is to establish a comprehensive database of all the transcripts expressed in the *Drosophila* brain and to correlate this information with their patterns of expression in other organisms. This type of database could be useful in comparative studies between different organism types, as it can provide valuable insights into basic brain function and help identify higher-order brain functions. Our examination of this unique brain library reveals that numerous transcribed regions of the *Drosophila* genome are still unknown, and that approximately 2,000 additional genes may be present. Genome annotation efforts prioritize the identification of protein-coding regions, which could explain why some ESTs lacking a suitable predicted gene were not included during genome annotation because an open reading frame was not predicted. Complete genomic sequences are highly valuable, and annotation of a genome is even more powerful. Current software is inadequate in identifying all transcribed regions within the genome. In 2000, EST data was reported for 24,193 clones from adult *Drosophila* head libraries, which represented over 40% of all *Drosophila* genes. Our findings indicate that complete genome annotation requires reliance on utilizing standardized methods like PCR and BAC analysis.