

Mapping of the Mouse Actin Capping Protein Beta Subunit Gene

ABSTRACT

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INTRODUCTION

Background Capping protein (CP) is a ubiquitous actin binding protein that regulates actin assembly and cell motility. CP is a heterodimer composed of α and β subunits, each approximately 30 kD. Lower organisms, including *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*, *Caenorhabditis elegans* and *Drosophila melanogaster*, have one gene and one isoform for each of the CP α and β subunits. Vertebrates contain three α subunit isoforms encoded by three different genes and three β subunit isoforms (β 1, β 2, β 3) produced from one gene by alternative splicing.

CONCLUSION

Conclusions The CP β gene (Cappb1) mapped to Chromosome 4 between Cdc42 and D4Mit312. Three mouse mutations, snubnose, curly tail, and cribriform degeneration, map in the vicinity of the β gene.