

# BIMM143 Find-a-Gene Project

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## [Q1]

Tell me the name of a protein you are interested in. Include the species and the accession number. This can be a human protein or a protein from any other species as long as it's function is known. If you do not have a favorite protein, select human RBP4 or KIF11. Do not use beta globin as this is in the worked example report that I provide you with online.

**Name:** NRN1 (neuritin 1)

**Accession:** AAI58491

**Species:** *Xenopus tropicalis*

**Function:** Neuritin is a neurotrophic factor expressed by the developing nervous system. It promotes neuronal arborization and is associated with neurogenesis as well as adult neuronal plasticity.

## [Q2]

Perform a BLAST search against a DNA database, such as a database consisting of genomic DNA or ESTs. The BLAST server can be at NCBI or elsewhere. Include details of the BLAST method used, database searched and any limits applied (e.g. Organism).

See *Fig 1*.

**Method:** NCBI tblastn 2.8.1

**Database:** Expressed sequence tags (est)

**Organism:** Include fish (taxid:7898), exclude *Danio rerio* (taxid:7955)

- As a neurotrophic factor, neuritin is known to be found in vertebrates, and has been annotated in many mammalian species. *Danio rerio* was excluded due to its usage as a model organism in neurobiology, and thus its likely already pre-existing annotation.

**Chosen Match:** DT227993.1, a 724 bp clone from *Pimephales promelas* adults (first result; *Fig 2*)

- **E-Value:** 4e-58
- **Query Score:** 81%
- **Score:** 185
- **Identities:** 71.79%

Alignments								
	Description	Max score	Total score	Query cover	E value	Ident	Accession	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">JGI_CAAT3511.fwd CAAT Pimephales promelas brain 7-8 month adults, males and females pooled (M) Pimephales promelas cDNA clone CAAT3511 5', mRNA</a>	185	185	81%	4e-58	71.79%	<a href="#">DT227993.1</a>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">JGI_CAAU3507.fwd CAAU Pimephales promelas brain 7-8 month adults, males and females pooled (L) Pimephales promelas cDNA clone CAAU3507 5', mRNA</a>	185	185	81%	5e-58	71.79%	<a href="#">DT249077.1</a>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">JGI_CAAT7544.fwd CAAT Pimephales promelas brain 7-8 month adults, males and females pooled (M) Pimephales promelas cDNA clone CAAT7544 5', mRNA</a>	185	185	81%	7e-58	71.79%	<a href="#">DT233298.1</a>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">JGI_CAAU5333.fwd CAAU Pimephales promelas brain 7-8 month adults, males and females pooled (L) Pimephales promelas cDNA clone CAAU5333 5', mRNA</a>	185	185	81%	7e-58	71.79%	<a href="#">DT252382.1</a>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">JGI_CAAT4482.fwd CAAT Pimephales promelas brain 7-8 month adults, males and females pooled (M) Pimephales promelas cDNA clone CAAT4482 5', mRNA</a>	185	185	81%	1e-57	71.79%	<a href="#">DT229781.1</a>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">JGI_CAAU6839.fwd CAAU Pimephales promelas brain 7-8 month adults, males and females pooled (L) Pimephales promelas cDNA clone CAAU6839 5', mRNA</a>	185	185	81%	1e-57	71.79%	<a href="#">DT255094.1</a>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">JGI_CAAU8249.fwd CAAU Pimephales promelas brain 7-8 month adults, males and females pooled (L) Pimephales promelas cDNA clone CAAU8249 5', mRNA</a>	185	185	81%	1e-57	71.79%	<a href="#">DT257663.1</a>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">omkbra004057 Oncorhynchus mykiss head Oncorhynchus mykiss cDNA, mRNA sequence</a>	181	181	81%	5e-57	70.94%	<a href="#">CB492194.1</a>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">643815 NCCCWA 1RT Oncorhynchus mykiss cDNA clone 1RT145B24_D_A12 5', mRNA sequence</a>	181	181	81%	7e-57	70.94%	<a href="#">CA367815.1</a>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">1310093 NCCCWA 02RT Oncorhynchus mykiss cDNA clone 02RT119B24_5', mRNA sequence</a>	181	181	81%	7e-57	70.94%	<a href="#">CX257079.1</a>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">FO328086 Astyanax mexicanus whole embryos and larvae neurula to swimming larvae Astyanax mexicanus cDNA clone ARA0AEA15YD02, mRNA sequence</a>	180	180	84%	9e-57	70.25%	<a href="#">FO328086.1</a>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Ccl_X06a22e08f1 Carp mixed tissue library 3 Cyprinus carpio cDNA clone 22e08_5' similar to human.pt refNP_057672.1), mRNA sequence</a>	179	179	81%	1e-56	69.49%	<a href="#">CA969310.2</a>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">EST_otsh_etc_5_otshevc mixed tissue Oncorhynchus tshawytscha cDNA Oncorhynchus tshawytscha cDNA clone otsh_etc_001_004_fwd_3', mRNA sequence</a>	177	177	81%	2e-56	70.09%	<a href="#">EL551836.1</a>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">EST_omor_rgc_15185 omorrgc mixed tissue Osmerus mordax cDNA Osmerus mordax cDNA clone omor_rgc_520_060_rev_5', mRNA sequence</a>	182	182	81%	3e-56	70.09%	<a href="#">EL551816.1</a>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">EST_omor_rgc_8974 omorrgc mixed tissue Osmerus mordax cDNA Osmerus mordax cDNA clone omor_rgc_511_073_rev_5', mRNA sequence</a>	181	181	81%	5e-56	70.09%	<a href="#">EL545021.1</a>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">EST_omor_rgc_2682 omorrgc mixed tissue Osmerus mordax cDNA Osmerus mordax cDNA clone omor_rgc_502_204_rev_5', mRNA sequence</a>	181	181	81%	8e-56	70.09%	<a href="#">EL538729.1</a>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">FO371109 Astyanax mexicanus whole embryos and larvae neurula to swimming larvae Astyanax mexicanus cDNA clone ARA0AGA47YJ20, mRNA sequence</a>	177	177	84%	1e-55	70.25%	<a href="#">FO371109.1</a>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">FO233837 Astyanax mexicanus whole embryos and larvae neurula to swimming larvae Astyanax mexicanus cDNA clone ARA0AAA60YG12, mRNA sequence</a>	178	178	83%	2e-55	70.83%	<a href="#">FO233837.1</a>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">EST_ssai_rqb2_11707 rqb2 Salmo salar cDNA clone ssai_rqb2_519_303_rev_5', mRNA sequence</a>	177	177	81%	2e-55	67.80%	<a href="#">DW547288.1</a>	

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JGI\_CAAT3511.fwd CAAT Pimephales promelas brain 7-8 month adults, males and females pooled (M) Pimephales promelas cDNA clone CAAT3511 5', mRNA sequence

Sequence ID: [DT227993.1](#) Length: 724 Number of Matches: 1

Range 1: 162 to 512

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Score	Expect	Method	Identities	Positives	Gaps	Frame
185 bits(469)	4e-58	Compositional matrix adjust.	84/117(72%)	99/117(84%)	0/117(0%)	+3

Query 1

MGLKLSGRYIFLVLAHLAVLLQAVRAAGKCDVFKGLSDCMLTGDRVANYPQDLEKK

60

Sbjct 162

MGL LSGRYI L LAV +AYLLQAVRAAGKC+ VFKG SDC+L LGD +ANYPQ+L+E++

341

Query 61

NLDTICSYWDDFHVCTVTALADCQEGAADIWEKLKROSKNLNIQSLFELCPGSTGA

117

Sbjct 342

NLKTICTYWDFFHSCATTALADCQEGATDLWEKLKESRSLEFRGLFELCAGNGA

512

Related Information

[UniGene](#) - clustered expressed sequence tags

Figure 2:

[Q3]

**Chosen Sequence (Fig 2):**

- >*P. promelas* protein (from BLAST result)
- MGLTLSGRYISLFLAVQIAYLLQAVRAAGKCETVFKGFSDCLLHLGDNMANYPQELDEQENLKTICTYWD  
DFHSCATTALADCQEGATDLWEKLLKKESRSLEFRGSLFELCAGGNGA

**Name:** *Pimephales* neuritin

**Species:** *Pimephales promelas* ('Fathead minnow')

- *Eukaryota; Metazoa; Chordata; Craniata; Vertebrata; Euteleostomi; Actinopterygii; Neopterygii; Teleostei; Ostariophysi; Cypriniformes; Cyprinidae; Pimephales.*

[Q4]

See *Fig 3*.

There are no 100% matches; the closest matches, however, are all to species in the carp family (*Cyprinidae*), which *P. promelas* also belongs to. The results of this blastp search were not filtered specifically to include or exclude any species and were run against the *nr* database.

Top alignment is a predicted neuritin-like homolog for *Cyprinus carpio* (*Fig 4*).

- **E-Value:** 1e-77
- **Query Score:** 100%
- **Score:** 234
- **Identity:** 94.87%

	Description	Max score	Total score	Query cover	E value	Ident	Accession
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">PREDICTED: neuritin-like [Cyprinus carpio]</a>	234	234	100%	1e-77	94.87%	<a href="#">XP_018922093.1</a>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">neuritin-like [Carassius auratus]</a>	231	231	100%	2e-76	94.02%	<a href="#">XP_026093433.1</a>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">neuritin [Carassius auratus]</a>	231	231	100%	2e-76	94.02%	<a href="#">XP_026056648.1</a>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">PREDICTED: neuritin [Cyprinus carpio]</a>	231	231	100%	2e-76	94.02%	<a href="#">XP_018922095.1</a>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">neuritin precursor [Danio rerio]</a>	231	231	100%	4e-76	94.02%	<a href="#">NP_001002507.1</a>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">PREDICTED: neuritin [Sinocyclocheilus rhinoceros]</a>	230	230	100%	5e-76	93.16%	<a href="#">XP_016374848.1</a>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">PREDICTED: neuritin [Sinocyclocheilus grahami]</a>	228	228	100%	3e-75	92.31%	<a href="#">XP_016138196.1</a>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">PREDICTED: neuritin-like [Sinocyclocheilus rhinoceros]</a>	227	227	100%	7e-75	92.31%	<a href="#">XP_016401820.1</a>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">neuritin [Electrophorus electricus]</a>	227	227	100%	9e-75	91.45%	<a href="#">XP_026869098.1</a>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">neuritin [Oncorhynchus mykiss]</a>	222	222	100%	7e-73	89.74%	<a href="#">XP_021418750.1</a>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">PREDICTED: neuritin [Esox lucius]</a>	222	222	100%	1e-72	88.89%	<a href="#">XP_010899235.1</a>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">neuritin [Salvelinus alpinus]</a>	221	221	100%	2e-72	88.89%	<a href="#">XP_023829168.1</a>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">PREDICTED: neuritin [Salmo salar]</a>	221	221	100%	2e-72	88.89%	<a href="#">XP_014036114.1</a>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">unnamed protein product [Oncorhynchus mykiss]</a>	221	221	100%	3e-72	88.89%	<a href="#">CDQ56010.1</a>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">PREDICTED: neuritin [Pygocentrus nattereri]</a>	220	220	100%	6e-72	89.74%	<a href="#">XP_017559428.1</a>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">neuritin [Salvelinus alpinus]</a>	219	219	100%	1e-71	87.18%	<a href="#">XP_023856162.1</a>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">PREDICTED: neuritin-like [Salmo salar]</a>	219	219	100%	2e-71	87.18%	<a href="#">XP_014013044.1</a>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">neuritin [Oncorhynchus kisutch]</a>	219	219	100%	2e-71	88.03%	<a href="#">XP_020350443.1</a>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">unnamed protein product [Oncorhynchus mykiss]</a>	218	218	100%	5e-71	86.32%	<a href="#">CDQ56600.1</a>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">neuritin [Astyanax mexicanus]</a>	217	217	100%	6e-71	88.03%	<a href="#">XP_007238696.2</a>

Figure 3:

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PREDICTED: neuritin-like [Cyprinus carpio]

Sequence ID: [XP\\_018922093.1](#) Length: 142 Number of Matches: 1

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Range 1: 1 to 117

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Score	Expect	Method	Identities	Positives	Gaps
234 bits(598)	1e-77	Compositional matrix adjust.	111/117(95%)	116/117(99%)	0/117(0%)
Query 1	MGLTLSGRYISLFLAVQIAYLLQAVRAAGKCETVFKGFSDCLLHLGDNMANYPQELDSQE	60			
	MGLTLSGRYISLFLAVQIAYLLQAVRAAGKCETVFKGFSDCLLHLGDNMANYPQELDE+E				
Sbjct 1	MGLTLSGRYISLFLAVQIAYLLQAVRAAGKCETVFKGFSDCLLHLGDNMANYPQELDSQE	60			
Query 61	NLKTICTYWDFFHSCATTALADCQEGATDLWEKLKESRSLFRGSLFELCAGNGA	117			
	NLKTICTYWDFFHSCATTALADCQEGATDLWEKLKESRSLFRGSLFELCAGNGA				
Sbjct 61	NLKTICTYWDFFHSCATTALADCQEGATDLWEKLKESRSLFRGSLFELCAGNGA	117			

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- Identical proteins to XP\_018922093.1

Figure 4: