

GEPHE SUMMARY

Gephebase Gene
Na/K-ATPase alpha-subunit

Entry Status
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GepheID
GP00000709

Main curator
Courtier

PHENOTYPIC CHANGE

Trait Category
Physiology

Trait
Xenobiotic resistance (cardiac glycosides)

Trait State in Taxon A
Other insects

Trait State in Taxon B
Oncopeltus fasciatus and Lygaeus kalmii

Ancestral State
Taxon A

Taxonomic Status
Intergeneric or Higher

Taxon A

Latin Name
Insecta

Common Name
true insects

Synonyms
true insects

Rank
class

Lineage
cellular organisms; Eukaryota; Opisthokonta; Metazoa; Eumetazoa; Bilateria; Protostomia; Ecdysozoa; Panarthropoda; Arthropoda; Mandibulata; Pancrustacea; Hexapoda

Parent
Hexapoda (insects) - (Rank: subphylum)

NCBI Taxonomy ID
50557

is Taxon A an Intraspecies?
No

Taxon B #1

Latin Name
Oncopeltus fasciatus

Common Name
milkweed bug

Synonyms
milkweed bug; Oncopeltus fasciatus (Dallas, 1852)

Rank
species

Lineage
cellular organisms; Eukaryota; Opisthokonta; Metazoa; Eumetazoa; Bilateria; Protostomia; Ecdysozoa; Panarthropoda; Arthropoda; Mandibulata; Pancrustacea; Hexapoda; Insecta; Dicondylia; Pterygota; Neoptera; Paraneoptera; Hemiptera; Prosorrhyncha; Heteroptera; Euheteroptera; Neoheteroptera; Panheteroptera; Pentatomomorpha; Lygaeoidea; Lygaeidae; Lygaeinae; Oncopeltus

Parent
Oncopeltus () - (Rank: genus)

NCBI Taxonomy ID
7536

is Taxon B an Intraspecies?
No

Taxon B #2

Latin Name
Lygaeus kalmii

Common Name
-

Synonyms
Lygaeus kalmii Stal, 1874

Rank
species

Lineage
cellular organisms; Eukaryota; Opisthokonta; Metazoa; Eumetazoa; Bilateria; Protostomia; Ecdysozoa; Panarthropoda; Arthropoda; Mandibulata; Pancrustacea; Hexapoda; Insecta; Dicondylia; Pterygota; Neoptera; Paraneoptera; Hemiptera; Prosorrhyncha; Heteroptera; Euheteroptera; Neoheteroptera; Panheteroptera; Pentatomomorpha; Lygaeoidea; Lygaeidae; Lygaeinae; Lygaeus

Parent
Lygaeus () - (Rank: genus)

NCBI Taxonomy ID
683892

is Taxon B an Intraspecies?
No

GENOTYPIC CHANGE

Generic Gene Name

Atp1a1

UniProtKB Mus musculus

Q8VDN2

Synonyms

Atpa-1; BC010319

GenebankID or UniProtKB

String

10090.ENSMUSP00000039657

Sequence Similarities

Belongs to the cation transport ATPase (P-type) (TC 3.A.3) family. Type IIC subfamily.

GO - Molecular Function

GO:0005524 : ATP binding
GO:0043531 : ADP binding
GO:0019901 : protein kinase binding
GO:0043548 : phosphatidylinositol 3-kinase binding
GO:0005391 : sodium:potassium-exchanging ATPase activity
GO:0051087 : chaperone binding
GO:0019904 : protein domain specific binding
GO:0030506 : ankyrin binding
GO:0016791 : phosphatase activity
GO:0030955 : potassium ion binding
GO:0031402 : sodium ion binding
GO:1990239 : steroid hormone binding

GO - Biological Process

GO:0071383 : cellular response to steroid hormone stimulus
GO:0006813 : potassium ion transport
GO:0006814 : sodium ion transport
GO:0071260 : cellular response to mechanical stimulus
GO:0042493 : response to drug
GO:0008217 : regulation of blood pressure
GO:0015991 : ATP hydrolysis coupled proton transport
GO:0030007 : cellular potassium ion homeostasis
GO:0006883 : cellular sodium ion homeostasis
GO:1990573 : potassium ion import across plasma membrane
GO:0036376 : sodium ion export across plasma membrane
GO:0090662 : ATP hydrolysis coupled transmembrane transport
GO:0060081 : membrane hyperpolarization
GO:0086009 : membrane repolarization
GO:0031947 : negative regulation of glucocorticoid biosynthetic process
GO:0045822 : negative regulation of heart contraction
GO:0045823 : positive regulation of heart contraction
GO:0045989 : positive regulation of striated muscle contraction
GO:0086004 : regulation of cardiac muscle cell contraction
GO:0002028 : regulation of sodium ion transport
GO:0002026 : regulation of the force of heart contraction

GO - Cellular Component

GO:0016021 : integral component of membrane
GO:0005886 : plasma membrane
GO:0016324 : apical plasma membrane
GO:0016020 : membrane
GO:0045121 : membrane raft
GO:0005794 : Golgi apparatus
GO:0032991 : protein-containing complex
GO:0005783 : endoplasmic reticulum
GO:0005768 : endosome
GO:0016323 : basolateral plasma membrane
GO:0005901 : caveola
GO:0030315 : T-tubule
GO:0014069 : postsynaptic density
GO:0014704 : intercalated disc
GO:0043209 : myelin sheath
GO:0042383 : sarcolemma
GO:0005890 : sodium:potassium-exchanging ATPase complex

Mutation #1

Presumptive Null

No

Molecular Type

Coding

Aberration Type

SNP

SNP Coding Change

Nonsynonymous

Molecular Details of the Mutation

Q111T + D121N + N122H + F786N + T797A on one gene copy

D121N, F786N and T797A have been shown to increase resistance to cardiac glucosides

Experimental Evidence

Candidate Gene

	Taxon A	Taxon B	Position
Codon	-	-	-
Amino-acid	Asp	Asn	121

Main Reference

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Additional References

[Parallel molecular evolution in an herbivore community. \(2012\)](#)

Mutation #2

Presumptive Null

No

Molecular Type

Coding

Aberration Type

SNP

SNP Coding Change

Nonsynonymous

Molecular Details of the Mutation

Q111T + D121N + N122H + F786N + T797A on one gene copy

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Experimental Evidence

Candidate Gene

	Taxon A	Taxon B	Position
Codon	-	-	-
Amino-acid	Phe	Asn	786

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Mutation #3

Presumptive Null

No

Molecular Type

Coding

Aberration Type

SNP

SNP Coding Change

Nonsynonymous

Molecular Details of the Mutation

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Experimental Evidence

Candidate Gene

	Taxon A	Taxon B	Position
Codon	-	-	-
Amino-acid	Thr	Ala	797

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Mutation #4

Presumptive Null

No

Molecular Type

Coding

Aberration Type

SNP

SNP Coding Change

Nonsynonymous

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Experimental Evidence

Candidate Gene

	Taxon A	Taxon B	Position
Codon	-	-	-
Amino-acid	Asn	His	122

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[Widespread convergence in toxin resistance by predictable molecular evolution. \(2015\)](#)

RELATED GEPHE

Related Genes

39 (ABCA2, BTR1- Cadherin-like protein, Ha_BtR, ABCC2, cadherin, para (kdr), Chitin synthase 1 (CHS1), MAP4K4, Acetylcholinesterase (Ace-1), resistance to dieldrin, esterase B1, Acetylcholinesterase (Ace-2), alcohol dehydrogenase (Adh), Aldehyde dehydrogenase (Aldh), CG11699, Cyp12d1, Cyp28d1, cyp6d2, cyp6g1, GSTE1-E10 cluster, kin of irre (kire), PHGPx, RnrS, SOD1, Ugt86Dd, Acetylcholinesterase (Ace), esterase isozyme E7 = E3, esterase E4, CYP6AB3, CYP6P9 cluster (CYP6P9a and CYP6P9b), CYP6P9; CYP6P4 cluster, esterase B1 + esterase A, esterase B1 = esterase beta1, esterase isozyme E3, CHKov1, CYP6B1, CYP6B4, FMO1, CYP6CY3)

Related Haplotypes

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COMMENTS

@SeveralMutationsWithEffect - The mutation Q111T occurred in the branch leading to *Oncopeltus* and not to *Lygaeus* (see Figure S6 of Ujvari et al 2015) see other Gephebase entry for this mutation