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Sequence Similarities

Belongs to the G-protein coupled receptor 1 family. Opsin subfamily GO - Molecular Function

GO:0038023: signaling receptor activity

(https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0038023)GO:0008020: G protein-coupled photoreceptor activity

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GO - Biological Process

GO:0007165 : signal transduction (https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0007165)

GO:0007186 : G protein-coupled receptor signaling pathway

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GO:0001523 : retinoid metabolic process

(https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0001523)

GO:0018298 : protein-chromophore linkage

(https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0018298)

GO:0007601: visual perception (https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0007601)

GO:0071482 : cellular response to light stimulus (https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0071482)

GO:0007602 : phototransduction (https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0007602)

GO - Cellular Component

GO:0005887 : integral component of plasma membrane (https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0005887)

GO:0001750 : photoreceptor outer segment

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GO:0097381: photoreceptor disc membrane

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Mutation #1

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Nonsynonymous

C86I and S90C - C90S has an effect (tested in Carvalho et al 2007) and S86F have an effect (tested in Carvalho et al 2007)

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Molecular Type

Aberration Type

SNP Coding Change

 ${\sf Molecular\ Details\ of\ the\ Mutation}$ 

Experimental Evidence

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Codon	-	-	-
Amino-acid	Cys	lle	86

Main Reference

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Additional References

The molecular evolution of avian ultraviolet- and violet-sensitive visual pigments. (2007) (https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/17556758)

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SNP Coding Change

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Molecular Type

Aberration Type

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Molecular Details of the Mutation

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Related Haplotypes

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