



Expressible cDNA Encoding Human Calcium-Activated Potassium Channels

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The Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation is seeking commercial partners interested in cDNAs that encode the human and mouse homologs of the *Drosophila* calcium-activated potassium channel (BK) gene.

Overview

Calcium-activated potassium channels are a type of ion channel that is important in many physiological processes.

The Invention

UW-Madison researchers have isolated cDNAs encoding the human and mouse homologs of the *Drosophila* calcium-activated potassium channel (BK) gene, called slowpoke. These cDNAs can be incorporated into different vectors for expression in cell lines or in *Xenopus* oocytes.

Applications

- Screening for modulators of calcium-activated potassium channels

Key Benefits

- May be useful in the development of high throughput screening assays for compounds that interact with calcium-activated potassium channels

Additional Information

For More Information About the Inventors

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Tech Fields

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