

**EXPRESSION, ISOLATION, PURIFICATION, AND CHARACTERIZATION OF  
RECOMBINANT HUMAN SF1p<sub>1-2</sub>**

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## ABSTRACT

*Homo sapiens* Sfi1 (*Hs* Sfi1) is a 1242 amino acid protein containing 23 tandem binding sites for a calcium binding protein known as centrin. *Hs* Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub> is an 8,592 Da peptide that corresponds to the first two centrin binding sites (CBS) within *Hs* Sfi1. Both proteins are constituents of contractile fibers in the centrosome and play essential roles in centriole duplication and separation. The objectives of this work were to: express, isolate, purify, and biochemically characterize recombinant *Hs* Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>. A bacterial stock culture of *Escherichia coli* BL21-(DE3) RIL was transformed with pET 100 expression vector containing His tagged-*Hs* Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>. His tagged-*Hs* Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub> recombinant peptide has a molecular weight of 12,119 Da. The bacterial stock was grown in a five liter bench scale fermentor up to log phase and induced with isopropyl-β-thiogalactoside (IPTG). Following the successful expression of recombinant His-*Hs* Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>, the supernatant was subjected to His-tag affinity and anion exchange chromatography and a band was observed near the expected molecular weight of ~12 kDa by 4-20% (Bis-Tris) gradient SDS-PAGE. However, based on the elution pattern and UV/Vis analysis it was suspected that the recombinant peptide stayed in the pellet. An alternative isolation process was performed by an extraction method with organic solvents using CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH (2:1, v/v) extraction followed by a CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH (1:1, v/v) volume ratios. A 4-20% (Bis-Tris) gradient SDS-PAGE revealed the presence of a protein with similar molecular weight in both the aqueous and the organic phases. Partial amino acid sequencing confirmed the

presence of *Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>* to be in the aqueous phase of the extraction. Alternate purification step involved subjecting the protein sample to size exclusion chromatography.

## RESUMEN

*Homo sapiens Sfi1 (Hs Sfi1)* es una proteína de 1242 amino ácidos que contiene 23 lugares de enlace para la proteína enlazante de calcio centrin. *Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>* es un péptido con un peso molecular de 8,592 Da que corresponde a los primeros dos lugares de enlace de centrin, dentro de *Hs Sfi1*. Ambas proteínas forman parte de las fibras contráctiles en el centrosoma y poseen un rol esencial en la separación y duplicación del centriolo. Los objetivos de este trabajo lo fueron: expresar, aislar, purificar y caracterizar el péptido recombinante *Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>*. Un cultivo bacteriano de *Escherichia coli* BL21-(DE3) RIL fué transformado con el vector de expresión pET 100 que contenía la secuencia de His-*Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>*. El péptido recombinante His-*Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>* posee un peso molecular de 12,119 Da. Las células transformadas fueron crecidas en un fermentador de cinco litros hasta alcanzar la fase log e inducidas mediante la adición de isopropil-β-tiogalactosidasa (IPTG). Luego de la exitosa expresión de His-*Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>*, el sobrenadante fue sometido a cromatografía de afinidad por el contenido en su secuencia de histidinas y cromatografía de intercambio aniónico, en donde una banda pura con el peso molecular esperado fue observada por la técnica de SDS-PAGE (por sus siglas en inglés). Luego de analizar los patrones de elución y la absorción en la regiónpectral ultravioleta, se comenzó a sospechar que *Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>* estaba permaneciendo en el precipitado de la centrifugación. Un procedimiento alternativo de aislación se realizó mediante extracción por solventes orgánicos utilizando CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH (2:1, v/v) seguido de otra extracción CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH (1:1, v/v) razones por volumen. La técnica de gradiente 4-20% (Bis-Tris) SDS-PAGE reveló la presencia de

una proteína con peso molecular similar (~12 kDa) para ambas fases: la acuosa y orgánica y la técnica de secuenciación parcial de amino ácido reveló la presencia de *Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>* en la fase acuosa de la extracción. La estrategia de purificación alterna consistió en utilizar cromatografía por exclusión de tamaño.

## *DEDICATION*

*To my family, for their support and motivation throughout my scientific career.*

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## 1 INTRODUCTION

To date, the scientific challenge is the understanding of vital biological processes and events related to diseases. Most of these diseases are specifically related to defects in protein-protein interactions (PPI's). Protein-protein interactions involve hydrophobic, ionic and hydrogen bonding interactions, among others, between specific side chains or backbone. These interactions are important for several reasons including: signal transduction, protein complex formation and protein conformational changes associated with the interaction. Thus, while the analysis of the structure and function of individual proteins is crucial for the understanding of their role in biological processes, it has a limited capability to explain the processes themselves. Information about these interactions improves our understanding of diseases and can provide the basis for new therapeutic approaches.

For the purpose of this study, our goal was to express, isolate, purify, and characterize *Homo sapiens (Hs) Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>* peptide. *Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>* peptide corresponds to the first two centrin binding sites (CBS) of *Hs Sfi1*. *Hs Sfi1* is comprised of 1242 amino acids which include 23 tandem CBS [19]. These 23 CBS are not well conserved and are expected to have variability in the affinity for *Hs* centrin. These binding sites are composed of 33 amino acids, and upon closer examination of the sequences, a pattern of hydrophobic residues within these sites can be established as AX<sub>7</sub>LLX<sub>3</sub>F/LX<sub>2</sub>WK/R (15). The analysis includes the use of the recombinant Histidine tagged (His tag) *Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>*. The His tag will potentially allow for the purification of His-*Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>*

through affinity chromatography. Figure 1, shows the sequence of His-*Hs Sfi1p*<sub>1-2</sub> recombinant peptide. It has an additional sequence of 96 amino acids at the N-terminal end of the peptide fragment resulting in a molecular weight of 12,119 Da.

Kilmartin and co-workers have determined that *Hs cen2* binds to *Hs Sfi1* in yeast and HeLa cells, in events governing microtubule organization within these eukaryotic cells [19-20]. Eukaryotic cells have a very important organelle known in general as the microtubule organizing center (MTOC) which is important in cell cycle regulation and division [3]. Our long term goal will include further experiments to study the particular interaction with *Hs Sfi1p*<sub>1-2</sub> (centrin binding sites 1 and 2) and wild type *Hs* variant *Hs cen2* (E105K), using different biophysical techniques in order to elucidate the thermodynamics governing binding, complex stability, and the conformational changes involved in complex formation. This will aid in the future design of new treatments for diseases like cancer, which involves aberrant chromosome segregation and uncontrolled cell division, as a consequence of protein defects and aberrant protein interactions [21].

### HIS-Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub> fragment

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MRGSHHHHHH GMASMTGGQQ MGRNLYDDDD KDHPFTVFPS KARFYYEQRL

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LRKVFEWKE EWWVFQHEWK LCVRADCHYR YYLYNLMFQT WKTYVR

**Figure 1.** Histidine tagged *Homo sapiens* Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub> amino acid sequence. The blue letters represents the sequence of amino acids, which includes the His tag (red letters). Black letters represent the sequence of interest, corresponding to the first two domains of *Hs* Sfi1.

## **2 OBJECTIVES**

Our primary goal is to express, isolate, purify, and characterize *Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>* which will aid in future studies of *Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>-Hs centrin* complex studies and the design of novel inhibitors for this protein-protein interaction.

- 1.** To over express *Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>*, using bacterial cells (*E. coli* BL21 (DE3) RIL) in a 5L bench scale fermentor.
- 2.** To isolate and purify recombinant peptide *Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>*.
- 3.** To perform the biochemical characterization of *Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>*.

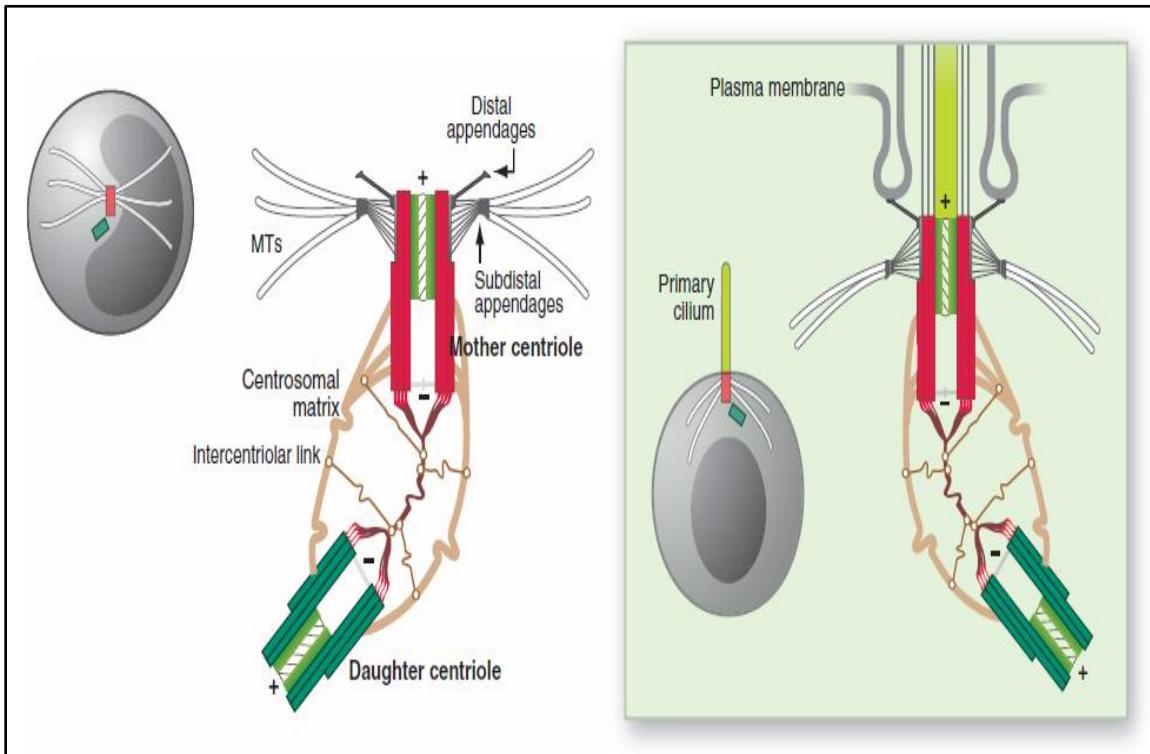
### **3 LITERATURE REVIEW**

#### **3.1 The Centrosome: Structural Features and Duplication**

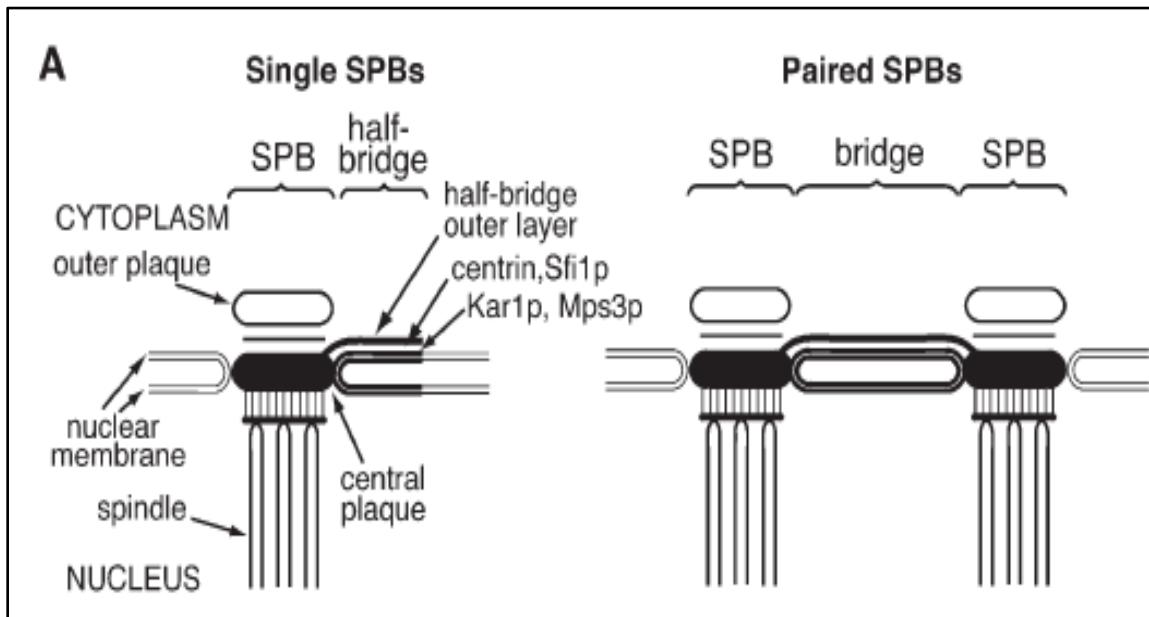
The centrosome is an organelle in animal cells that nucleate microtubules and plays a critical role in mitotic spindle orientation and in genome stability [1]. This cell organelle is mainly characterized by being a microtubule organizing center (MTOC) in higher eukaryotes which usually establishes the number, direction and polarity of the microtubules [2]. It lacks a membrane that separates it from the rest of the cytoplasm and it has a specific status in cell organization and evolution. The centrosome was discovered by Edward Van Beneden in 1876, during the study of the anatomy and development of a group of marine parasites called the Dicyemidae [3]. Theodore Boveri described it in 1888, which was in agreement with Van Beneden past works, suggested that the centrosome is a permanent cell organelle endowed with the property of self-replication [3]. This organelle has remained enigmatic and the subject of extensive study ever since. In yeasts, the equivalent organelle is the half bridge of the spindle pole body (SPB). The SPB is a multilayered structure embedded in the nuclear envelope and is responsible for the organization of the spindle and cytoplasmic microtubules (Figure 3) [4]. The half bridge is a specialized area of the nuclear envelope and it has a critical role during SPB duplication [4].

Centrosomes are composed of two perpendicular arranged centrioles surrounded by an amorphous mass of protein termed the pericentriolar material (PCM) comprised of an estimated 150 proteins. These two microtubule based-cylinders are of defined length and diameter with a 9+0 microtubule symmetry arrangement. They are linked

together by a matrix consisting of coiled-coil proteins of the pericentrin family which anchor other matrix components. The centriole pair displays structural and functional asymmetry due to the generational difference between each member of the pair: The old, fully mature, mother centriole is distinguished by two sets of nine appendages at its distal end while the young, immature, daughter centriole, assembled during the previous cell cycle, is about 80% the length of the mother centriole as shown in Figure 2 [1]. In resting cells, the mother centriole can turn into a basal body, by docking to the plasma membrane through the distal appendages, where it templates a non-motile primary cilium that serves as a sensory organelle [1,5]. In general, each centriole structure is based on a nine triplet microtubule assembled in a cartwheel, and contains several proteins including: centrin, Sfi1, cenexin,  $\alpha$ -,  $\beta$ -,  $\gamma$ -tubulin, dynein, ninein, centriolin, cep170, Sas6, HPOC5, galetin3, and tektin [3, 6-10]. Recently, the structural basis of the highly conserved ninefold radial symmetry of the centriole/basal body has been elucidated [6, 7]. It rests on the oligomerization of a single coiled-coil protein, SAS-6/Bld12p, which forms a cartwheel structure acting as a scaffold for centriole/basal body assembly [7].



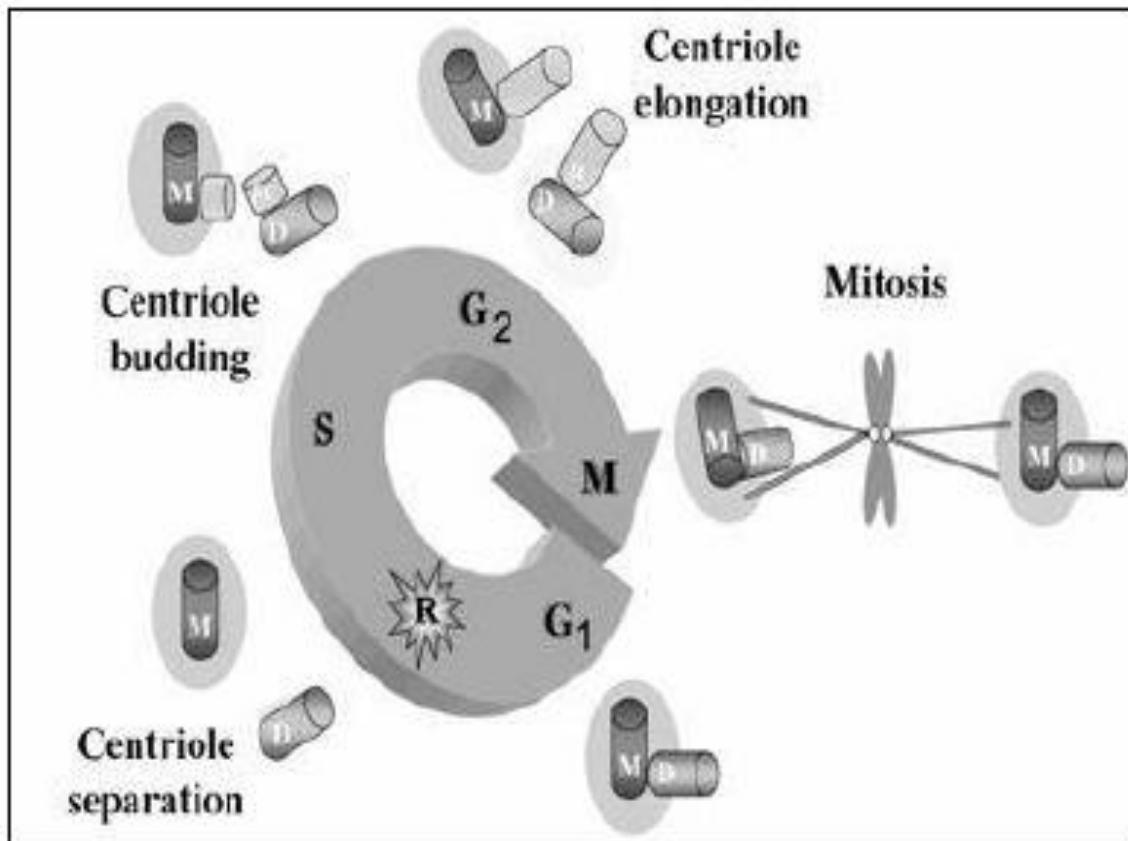
**Figure 2.** The centrosome of human cells. It contains a structurally and functionally asymmetric pair of centrioles, the mother centriole (red) and a daughter centriole (green). The mother centriole is distinguished by two sets of nine appendages at its distal end, which are required for anchoring microtubules (MTs) and for docking the mother centriole at the plasma membrane during ciliogenesis in quiescent cells. The daughter centriole is about 80% the length of the mother centriole (*Adapted from Bornens et al. 2012 [1]*).



**Figure 3.**The spindle pole body (SPB) in yeasts. A single and paired SPB multilayered structure showing the localization of the half bridge (*Adapted from Kilmartin, 2003 [4]*).

In each cell cycle, the centrosome is duplicated and the resultant two centrosomes, organize the microtubule array of the mitotic spindle, allowing equal segregation of sister chromatids into each of the two daughter cells.

In higher eukaryote cells, centrosome reproduction consists of four morphological events: 1) centriole splitting, 2) centriole duplication, 3) centrosome disjunction, and 4) daughter centrosome separation [11]. The direct relation of the cell cycle and the centrosome duplication has been described by Salisbury as seen in Figure 4 [11]. During G<sub>1</sub> phase the two centrioles are oriented with the proximal end of the daughter centriole positioned along the lateral proximal wall of the mature centriole such that the two centrioles are in orthogonal arrangement. After passing the G<sub>1</sub> restriction point and commit to the S phase DNA replication, the two centrioles separates a short distance from one another and procentrioles begin to form along the lateral wall of the proximal end of each existing centriole. In G<sub>2</sub> phase the newly forming centrioles elongate and the pre-existing daughter centriole acquire molecular and structural features characteristic of a mature centriole including acquisition of a halo of pericentriolar and its associated microtubule nucleation capacity. Thus, during G<sub>2</sub>/M, three generations of centrioles are present in the same somatic cell: the mature centriole, the daughter centriole and the two new nascent centrioles. At the G<sub>2</sub>/M cell cycle transition the two pairs of centrioles migrate to opposite sides of the prophase nucleus and serve as the mitotic spindle [11]. At the end of mitosis, each daughter cell inherits a single centrosome.



**Figure 4.** Duplication of the centrosome and the cell cycle. Once during each cell cycle the centrosome doubles from one-to-two in a process that is initiated by centriole duplication. In G<sub>1</sub> the mother centriole (M) and the daughter centriole (D) appeared in their typical orthogonal arrangement. In phase S they separate for the duplication, followed by the procentriole appearance. The procentrioles elongate in phase G<sub>2</sub>. At mitosis, the two pair of centrioles moves to opposite sides of the nucleus. (*Adapted from* Salisbury et al. 2001[11]).

### 3.2 Functions of the Centrosome

The centrosome is considered to be responsible for nucleation of microtubule polymerization and anchoring the microtubules to create arrays that separate the chromatids during cell division [7]. Organization of the microtubule array of the mitotic spindle, allows equal segregation of sister chromatids into each of the two daughter cells. Moreover, it provides an important structural context for coordinating cell cycle regulation. During interphase, the centrosome organizes an astral array of microtubules (MTs) that participate in fundamental cellular functions such as intracellular trafficking, cell motility, cell adhesion and cell polarity [13]. In proliferating cells, the centrosome starts duplicating just before, or at, the onset of S phase and the two newly formed centrosomes participate in the assembly and the organization of the mitotic spindle, its orientation with respect to cortical cues, and the events of cytokinesis. The centrosome plays a role in determining the position, orientation and completion of the cytokinesis process [12]. Loss of a functional centrosome has been shown to lead to cell cycle arrest [14].

### 3.3 Centrosome Role in Disease

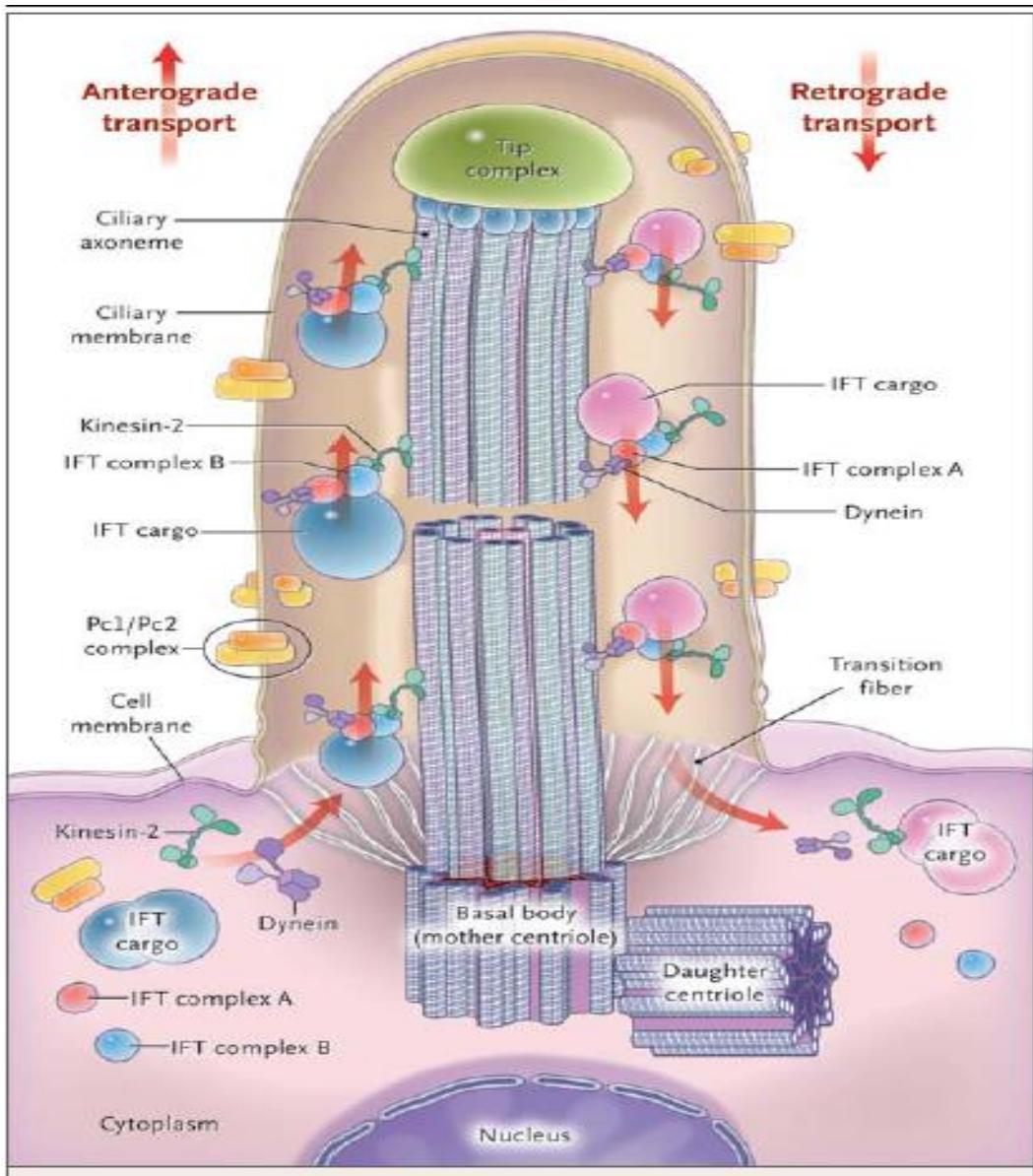
Centrosome defects have been implicated in disease processes, particularly in the origin of mitotic abnormalities and the development of aneuploidy in cancer [12]. In fact, the cells of many lethal human tumors are genetically unstable and have abnormally high number of centrosomes [10]. They are frequently amplified in cancer cells where an increase number of them can give rise to multipolar spindles in mitosis leading to the formation of aneuploid cells [14]. In aneuploid cells, failure to separate chromosomes represents a hallmark of most human carcinomas. An elevated number of centrosomes can induce the formation of additional SPB's and segregate chromosomes to an extra pole [14]. When cytokinesis occurs, daughter cells are produced that are missing the full complement of their corresponding chromosomes. These cells could not be viable, if they have lost essential genetic information. In the case that only one single chromosome is lost, a homologous chromosome could compensate. However, loss in heterozygosity can be critical in cases where the remaining chromosome carries mutations in tumor suppressor genes [14].

Recent discoveries have revealed that a modified centrosome and the primary cilium, have crucial roles in an increasing number of cellular and developmental processes, establishing a link between dysfunctional cilia and several genetic diseases [15]. Genetic diseases known as ciliopathies consist of mutations affecting the primary cilium. The primary cilium, a hair like cellular organelle, consists of a microtubule based structure found in almost all vertebrate cells and it originates from the modified mother centriole or basal body (Figure 5). The primary cilium senses a wide variety of extracellular signals and transmits the signal to the interior of the cell.

Thus, the initiation of signal transduction occurs within the primary cilium. They regard to proliferation, polarity, nerve growth, differentiation or tissue maintenance [16]. Primary cilia are structurally similar to motile cilia, the best known for lining the trachea, clearing mucus from the lungs, and generating flow. Until now, primary cilia were viewed only as vestigial organelles.

The list of disorders known as ciliopathies is constantly expanding and their phenotypes are well characterized resulting in several organs being most severely affected. Frequent cilia-related diseases are polycystic kidney disease, nephronophthisis, retinal degeneration, mental retardation, Bardet-Biedl syndrome, the Joubert syndrome and the Meckel syndrome [15-17]. The role that the cilium-centrosome complex plays in the normal function of most tissues appears to account for the involvement of multiple organ systems in ciliopathies. They were previously considered distinct disorders, but now evidence suggests they have one thing in common: defects of the primary cilium. Most of the emphasis has been placed on the function of ciliopathy proteins as potential key modulators of specific signaling cascades. Cilia may even play a role in cancer biology given their fundamental function in several developmental signaling pathways that are often misregulated in cancer [16]. Indeed, HEF1 and Aurora A, two proteins involved in cancer cell proliferation and metastasis, have been found to regulate cilia stability [16, 18]. The primary cilium is increasingly being identified as a novel regulator of a variety of cell biological processes, from development to homeostasis to cancer progression [18]. The primary cilia play a role in cell cycle regulation responsible for the coordination of cancer-related signaling molecules. Since most proteins that are altered in

ciliopathies function at the level of the cilium-centrosome complex, biomedical research is directing more efforts towards the study of the modulation of subcellular cascades at various stages of development and adult homeostasis.

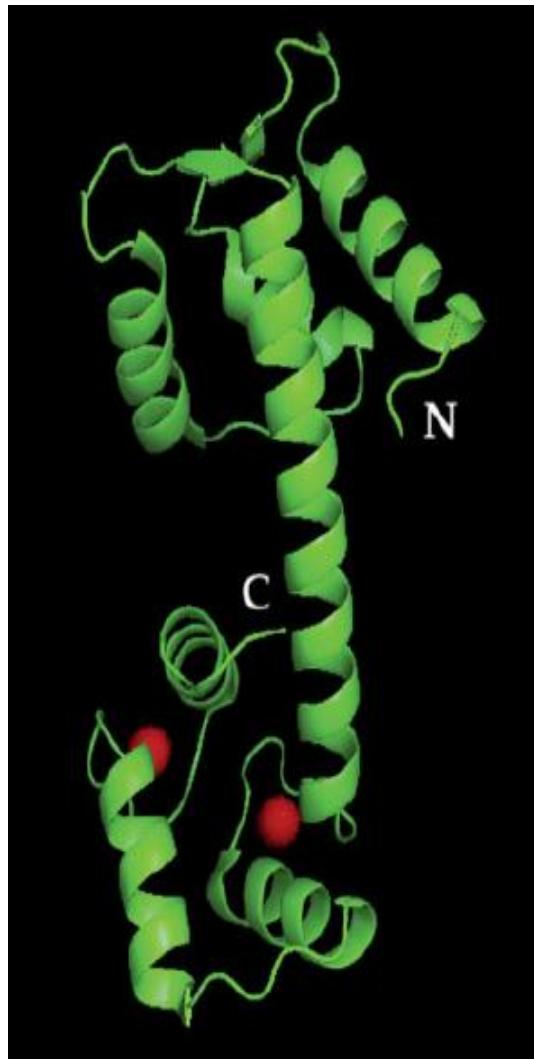


**Figure 5.** The structure of the primary cilium and intraflagellar transport. (Adapted from Hildebrandt, 2011[15]).

### 3.6 Centrin Protein: Localization and Structural Features

Centrin is an acidic protein with a molecular weight of approximately 20 kDa. It was discovered in 1984 by Dr. Salisbury, in the organism *Tetraselmis striata* [22]. This protein belongs to the EF-hand superfamily of small calcium binding proteins and it is a ubiquitous component to the centrosomes, centrioles and mitotic spindle poles [23]. In the yeast *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*, a centrin homolog (Cdc31), is crucial in the cell cycle via its regulation of the duplication of the spindle pole body (SPB) [24, 25]. X-ray crystallographic data for yeast, *chlamydomonas* and human centrins, has revealed a molecular structure comprised of four EF hands, which is the prototypical metal ion binding helix-loop-helix motif [20, 26-27]. Figure 6 shows the coordination of the calcium ions in the helix-loop-helix motif of centrin. The N-terminal domain, especially the first 20 amino acids, shows the most variable region, and the C-terminal half presents the most conserved region of the centrin sequence [23, 28]. This protein is found in eukaryotic cells but have no significant homology to proteins in archaea and bacteria. It is considered critical for the structure and function of the eukaryotic cell [23]. In particular, centrins are components of microtubule organizing centers (MTOCs), and are often located within different parts of the MTOC suggesting multiple roles [29, 30]. Centrins are components of both centrioles, of an assortment of fibers that link the two centrioles to each other, to the surrounding pericentriolar material and, in some organisms, to the cell and nuclear membranes. Centrin-containing fibers play a role in the dynamic behavior of centrosomes, through control of the position and orientation of centrosomal structures, and also in the control of centriole duplication [31-33]. There are four centrin isoforms: *Hscen1* has been

detected only in the basal body of the human sperm flagella and ciliated cells, while *Hscen2* and *Hscen3* are both constitutively expressed and localized to the centrosome and *Hscen4*, a pseudogene, is found in the neuronal cells of the brain [23, 34-36]. Amino acid analysis reveals that centrin is a highly conserved protein, showing an 80-90% sequence identity among vertebrates. Like troponin C, centrin is thought to be involved in a fiber-based calcium-induced contractile behavior [37]. Two clear roles have been established for centrin: the duplication of the MTOC and as constituents of contractile fibers within and to the MTOC, which can contract in response to changes in  $\text{Ca}^{+2}$  concentration [33, 38]. Centrin can form a complex with human Sfi1, a protein co-localized to the centriole. This centrin-Sfi1 complex takes place in a 23:1 molar ratio, so one molecule of human Sfi1 can bind multiple molecules of centrin. In yeast studies, Cdc31 binds directly to individual *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* Sfi1(*Sc* Sfi1) binding sites in a 14:1 molar ratio, that is, a single *Sc* Sfi1 molecule binds multiple Cdc31 proteins [20].

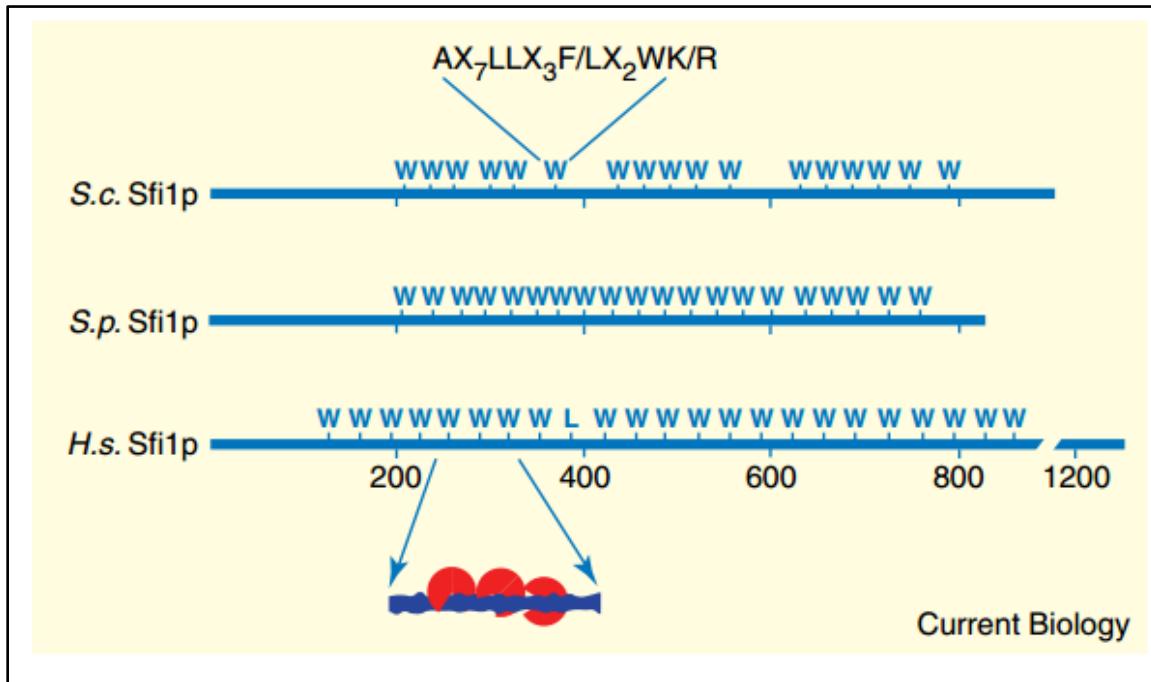


**Figure 6.** Full length centrin (*Hscen2*) comprised of four EF-hands. Two calcium ions coordinated at the helix-loop-helix motif in the C-terminal region. (*Adapted from* Thompson et al. 2006 [27]).

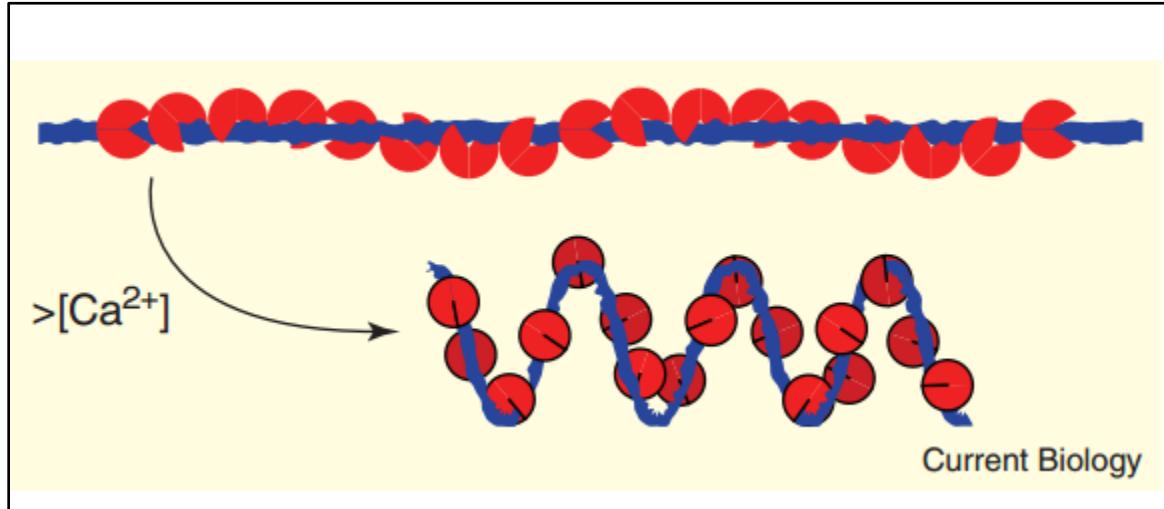
### 3.5 Sfi1 Protein: Localization and Structural Features

*Saccharomyces cerevisiae* Sfi1 (*ScSfi1*) was first identified in 1999 by Ma et. al. within the half-bridge structure of the SPB [39]. The human homolog, *Homo sapiens* Sfi1 (*HsSfi1*) is localized to the centriole in HeLa cells. *ScSfi1* has been found to be a very divergent protein with only 24.5% sequence identity compared to other yeast species. Early studies showed that there is a lack of homology in the N-terminal and C-terminal domains of Sfi1 in different species [40]. *HsSfi1* and *ScSfi1* are comprised of 23 and 17 tandem centrin binding sites (CBS) respectively. Recently, a family of thirteen proteins (Sfr1-13) in the organism *Tetrahymena thermophila*, has been identified containing centrin binding repeats localized at the basal body contributing to its organization and stabilization [41]. Further analysis of these CBS sequence revealed the presence of a consensus sequence of AX7LLX3F/LX2WK/R in different species (Figure 7) [19-20, 23]. Two isoforms (NCBI accession numbers: NP\_001007468.1 and NP\_055590) of human Sfi1 have been identified with almost identical sequences containing twenty three internal consensus repeats, but with stop codons after either 968 or 1242 amino acids [40,42]. Centrin binding sites are separated by gaps of 10 amino acids long for *HsSfi1* and 23-35 amino acids long for *ScSfi1* [19,40]. In *HsSfi1*, the short distance gap between centrin binding sites allows centrins to interact with one another [20, 40]. Sfi1 has a random coil structure and adopts a helical conformation upon binding to centrin when free  $[Ca^{+2}]$  increases (Figure 8) [19-20]. Sfi1 includes low proline content in its sequences within the repeat regions and a lack of homology in the amino- and carboxy-terminal domains from different species [19].

It is an essential protein whose depletion can cause a G<sub>2</sub>/M arrest in the cell cycle progression, with failure to form a mitotic spindle [19].



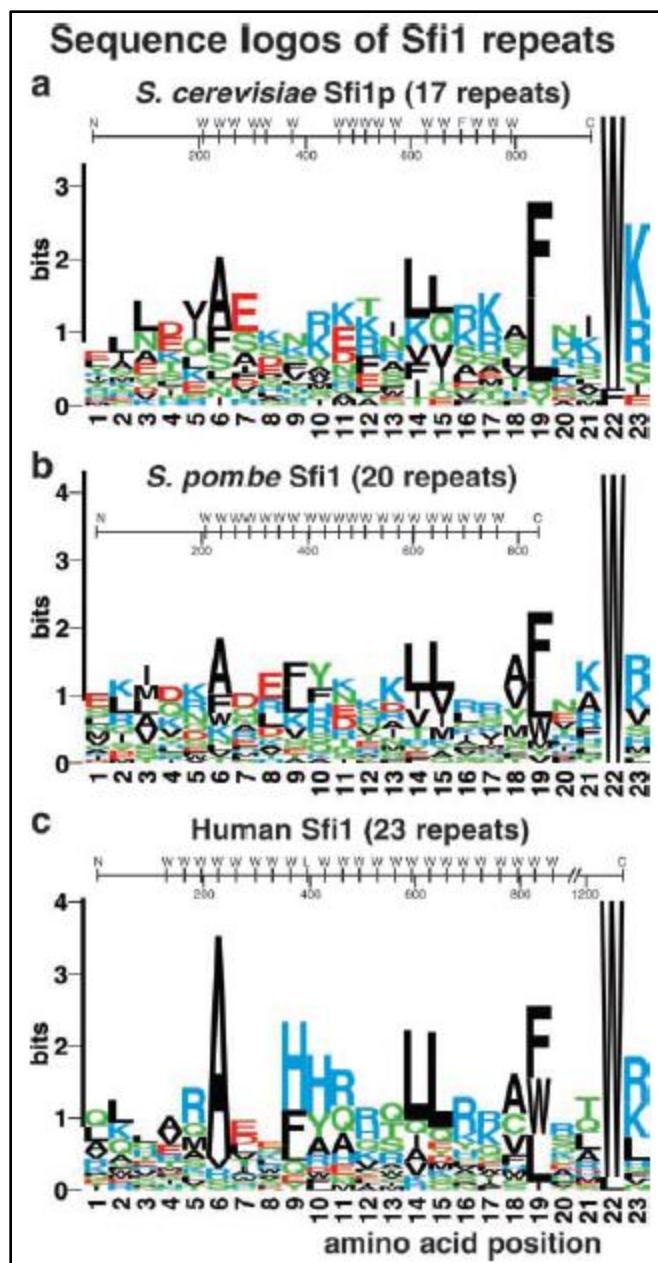
**Figure 7.** The consensus sequence of Sfi1 in different species. Sfi1 orthologs of the yeasts *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* (*S.c.* Sfi1p) and *Schizosaccharomyces pombe* (*S.p.* Sfi1p) and of *Homo sapiens* (*H.s.* Sfi1p). The consensus sequences includes an X indicating any other amino acid in that position of the sequence. The W indicates the position of consensus repeat and a model representation of Sfi1p with three centrin molecules bound to each repeat. (Adapted from Salisbury, 2004 [40]).



**Figure 8.** A model for Sfi1-centrin contraction. Conformational change upon increase of  $[\text{Ca}^{2+}]$  (Adapted from Salisbury, 2004 [40]).

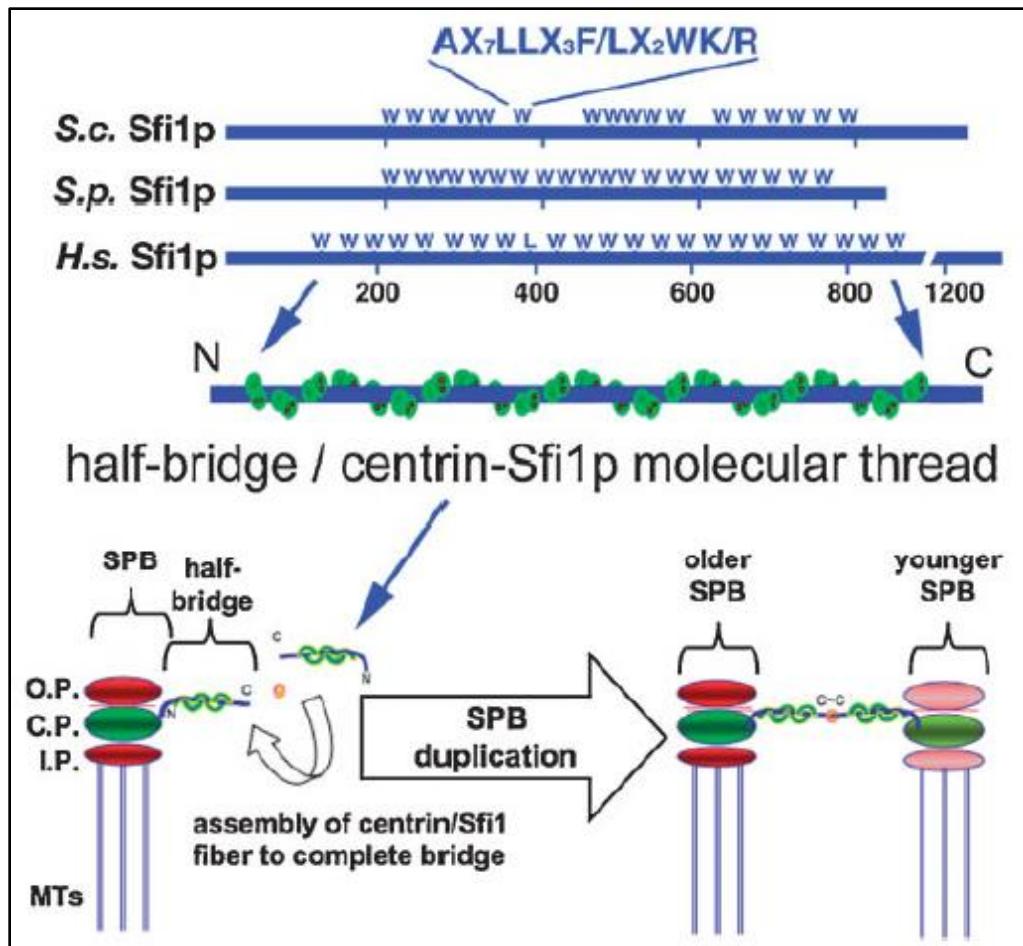
### 3.6 Studies of Sfi1-Centrin and Sfi1-Cdc31 Complexes

Kilmartin [19], performed studies in budding yeasts to prove that the internal repeats in Sfi1 were centrin binding sites. GST-fusions with the amino- or carboxy-terminal regions of Sfi1, lacking the consensus repeats were used and they failed to bind Cdc31. In the other hand, Sfi1 GST-fusions that contained even only a single repeat sequence bound to Cdc31 with a molar ratio close to 1. These findings clearly demonstrated that Sfi1 binds multiple molecules of Cdc31 through its conserved repeat sequences. Moreover, a comparison of Sfi1 in different species and with similar gaps between repeats were accessed by Blast searching (Figure 9). The results showed those amino acids conserved between different organisms and the low proline content within the repeat regions for the three proteins. Kilmartin [19] also showed that the Sfi1-centrin complex is concentrated at the centrosome and the SPB. Light microscopy of yeast cells expressing recombinant Sfi1 fused to the green fluorescent protein (GFP) and parallel immuno-labeling studies at electron micro-scope resolution confirmed that Sfi1 occurs at the SPB half bridge where Cdc31 is also found [19,43]. Likewise, recombinant GFP-hSfi1 showed centrosome localization in HeLa cells, and co-localization with centrin, as a marker for centrioles. These experiments established that Sfi1-Centrin and Sfi1-Cdc31 complexes occur at the centrosome and the spindle pole body of both cell types respectively, suggesting interactions between the two proteins (Figure 10). Also, the studies suggested that Cdc31p and Sfi1p interact functionally and play an important role in SPB duplication.



**Figure 9.** Sequence comparison of Sfi1 repeats in three organisms.

(*Adapted from Kilmartin, 2003 [19]*).



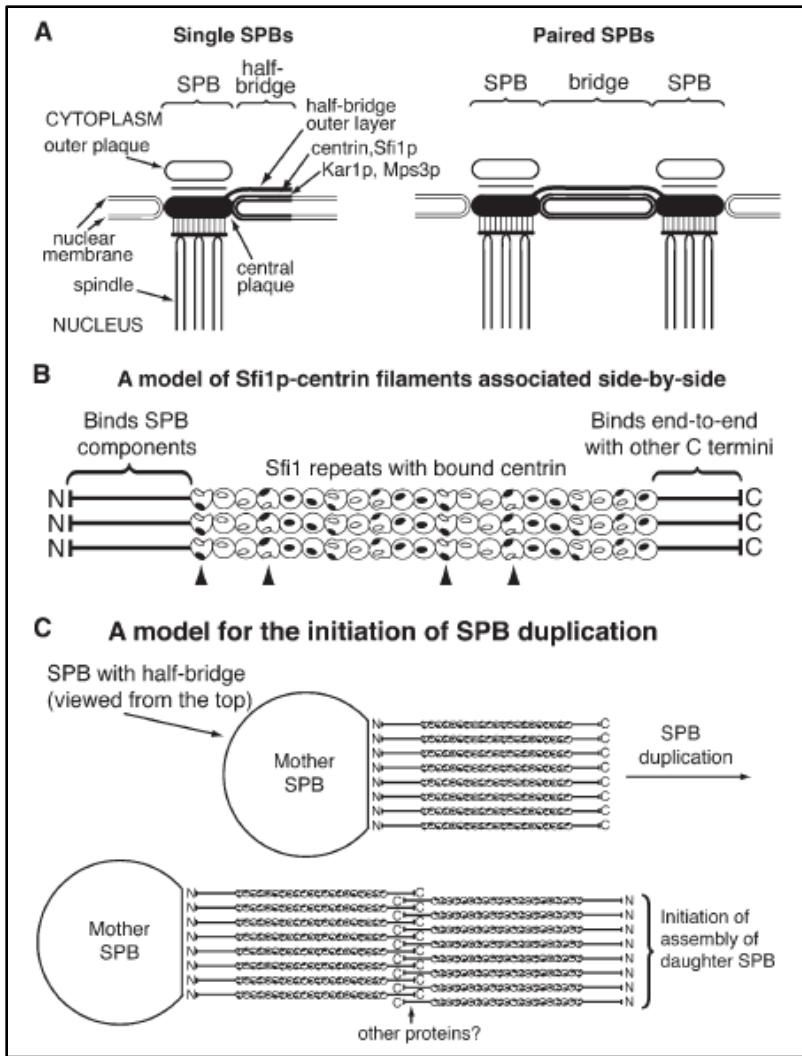
**Figure 10.** Duplication of the yeast SPB regulated by Sfi1-centrin complex. Consensus sequence for the centrin binding sites (W) of *S.cerevisiae*, *S.pombe* and *H.sapiens* in Sfi1. The fundamental unit of duplication for the SPB is the half-bridge (*Adapted from* Salisbury 2007 [23]).

The crystal structure of Cdc31-ScSfi1 complex was published by Li et al. in 2006 (Figure 11) [20]. This structure shows the ScSfi1 fragment as a  $\alpha$ -helix with Cdc31 in an extended conformation bound to each repeat. On binding calcium ions, the Cdc31 opens up, exposing hydrophobic surfaces of amino acids that are able to bind Scfi1. The Cdc31 N-terminal domains bind to the N-terminal half of the ScSfi1 repeat, whereas the Cdc31 C-terminal domains bind to the more conserved C-terminal half of the ScSfi 1 repeat [20].

Based on evidence from Electron Microscopy (EM) the N terminus of Sfi1p is placed at the SPB, whereas the C terminus is at the center of the bridge proposing that an ScSfi1/Cdc31 filament could span the length of the half bridge[44]. Kilmartin and coworkers [20] suggested that during SPB duplication, the half bridge could double in length through association of two, end-to-end ScSfi1 C termini, providing a new ScSfi1 N terminus as an assembly site for the new SPB (Figure 12) [44]. This suggests a model for SPB duplication where the half-bridge doubles in length by association of the ScSfi1 C to the half bridge, thereby providing a new ScSfi1 N terminus to initiate SPB assembly.



**Figure 11.** Crystal structure of Sfi1p-Cdc31 complex (PDB ID 2DOQ). Sfi1 (orange) appears as a helix with three centrins (blue-green) wrapped around it and coordinated with calcium ions (black) (*Adapted from Li et al. 2006 [20]*).



**Figure 12.** Model for the initiation of SPB duplication. Single and paired SPBs showing the location of half-bridge and bridge components (A), Model of ScSfi-Cdc31 filaments associated side-by-side. Arrowheads show Cdc31s interacting between filaments (B), and the ScSfi N terminus binds SPB components, whereas the C termini can associate end-to-end in an antiparallel way with or without other proteins. This provides a ScSfi 1 N terminus capable of binding SPB components and thereby initiating SPB assembly (C). (Adapted from Li et al. 2006 [20]).

## 4. EXPERIMENTAL METHODS

### 4.1 Bacterial Protein Expression of *Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>*

A bacterial stock culture of *E. coli* BL21-(DE3) RIL (~150-250 µL) competent cells was transformed with pET 100-*Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>*. The newly transformed bacterial cells were used to inoculate 250 mL of sterile Terrific broth (MP Biomedicals, Solon, Ohio). Then 50 µg/mL of ampicillin were added and overnight incubation in an orbital shaker at 37°C and 250 rpm was performed. After 12 hours, this culture was inoculated in a previously sterilized 5L BIOFLO 3000 fermentor from (New Brunswick Scientific, Edison, NJ) containing 3L of sterile Terrific broth and 50 µg/mL of ampicillin. The running conditions for the fermentor were the following: a temperature of 37°C, 350 rpm of agitation and acid-base adjustments to obtain a pH value of 7.0. Cell biomass was monitored hourly, taking 1.0 mL aliquots from the fermentor run in a VoluPac tube from (Stedim Sartorius Biotech, Aubagne, France) and centrifuging for 1 minute at 7 rcf (relative centrifuge force). The expression of His-*Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>* was induced, by adding 0.5 mM isopropylthio-β-galactoside (IPTG), when the bacterial cell growth achieved the mid logarithmic phase of the bacterial growth curve. When the cell culture reached the stationary phase, the bacterial culture was harvested, by centrifugation for 30 minutes at 2,465 xg (3,500 rpm) and a temperature of 4°C using a J-10 rotor and a Beckman J2-MC centrifuge. The pellets obtained from this step, were stored at -80°C for further purification. The expression process is summarized in Figure 13.

## 4.2 Isolation of *Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>*

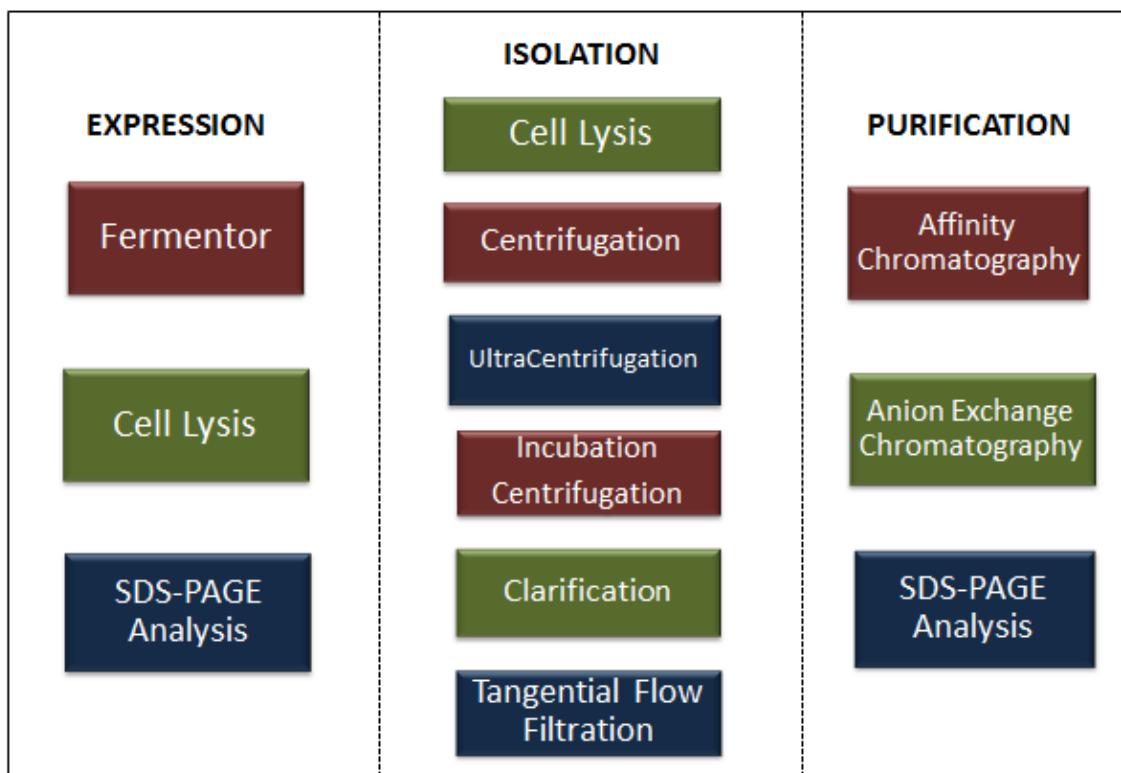
The pelleted cells were thawed and weighed. They were suspended in four times the amount (w/v) of cold lysis buffer comprised of 50 mM Tris, 500 mM NaCl, 0.04% NaN<sub>3</sub> and 0.1% IGEPAL, pH 7.4 and one tablet of a cocktail of protease inhibitors (2.0 mg/mL aprotinin, 0.5 mg/mL leupeptin, and 1.0 mg/mL pepstatin A) was added, to inhibit protease degradation of the His-*Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>* protein. Then, the resulting cell solution was sonicated with a Branson sonifier model 450 (Branson Ultrasonics Co., Danbury, CT) approximately 3-6 times for 30 seconds, with cooling periods of 1 minute in an ice bath and until the solution was free flowing. The resulting cell lysate was centrifuged at 9,615 xg (10,000 rpm) for 15 minutes at 4°C using a JA-14 rotor and a Beckman J2-MC centrifuge. After that the supernatant (S<sub>1</sub>) was collected and the resulting pellet (P<sub>1</sub>) was stored at -20°C. Then, the supernatant (S<sub>1</sub>) was subjected to a second ultracentrifuge step at 70,588 xg (30,000 rpm) for 30 minutes at 4°C using a TI-70 rotor and a Beckman L-80 ultracentrifuge. The resulting pellet (P<sub>2</sub>) was labeled and stored at -20°C and the supernatant (S<sub>2</sub>) was then incubated at 50°C for 30 min. in a water bath and centrifuged at 9,615 xg (10,000 rpm) for 15 minutes at 4°C using a JA-14 rotor and a Beckman J2-MC centrifuge. The resulting pellet (P<sub>3</sub>) was labeled and stored at -20°C. The supernatant (S<sub>3</sub>) however, was subjected to several tangential flow filtrations (TFF) as follows: first using a hollow fiber cartridge membrane (GE Healthcare, New Jersey) of 0.1 µm pore size to clarify the sample. The clarified sample was subjected to tangential flow filtration (Pall Corporation, New York) using a 50 kDa cut off membrane to remove high molecular host cell proteins.

The filtered sample was subjected to a third TFF process using a membrane with a 3 kDa cut off, in order to perform a buffer exchange and concentrate the sample containing the desired recombinant peptide. The isolation process is summarized in Figure 13.

### 4.3 Purification by Affinity and Ion Exchange Chromatography

His-tag affinity chromatography (Figure 13) was performed using ÄKTA automated protein purification system (GE Healthcare, New Jersey). The chromatography column used was a 5.0 mL HiTrap Chelating HP column (GE Healthcare, Sweden) which was packed with cobalt ions, in order to form coordination bonds with His-tagged *Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>*. The three essential buffers for this chromatographic step included: (Wash Buffer 1) 50 mM NaH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>, 300 mM NaCl, and 10 mM imidazole adjusted at pH 7.4; (Wash Buffer 2) 50 mM NaH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>, 300 mM NaCl, and 20 mM imidazole adjusted at pH 7.4; and finally (Elution Buffer) 50 mM NaH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>, 300 mM NaCl, and 250 mM imidazole at pH 7.4. The equipment was run at a standard flow rate of 2.5 mL/min. The collected fractions were concentrated using a Millipore centrifugal device with a 5,000 MW cut off, that has a cellulose low protein binding membrane for concentration of protein samples. After use the column was washed with eight column volumes of a buffer containing 50 mM NaH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>, 300 mM NaCl, at pH 7.4 in order to remove any imidazole from the column. A 4-20% (Bis-Tris) gradient SDS-PAGE was run with rehydrated aliquots of the collected fractions to identify the fractions containing the His-tagged *Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>*. The fractions identified as containing the recombinant protein of interest were pooled and further purified using two different anion exchange chromatography using the ÄKTA automated system for low volume purification and BioRad manual system with a peristaltic pump for large volume purification (Figure 13). The chromatography columns used were: a 1.0 mL Acrosep High Q Strong Anion-Exchange (Pall Life Sciences, Michigan) equilibrated and run at a flow rate of 0.5 mL/min and a 40 mL BioRad High Q Strong Anion-Exchange column.

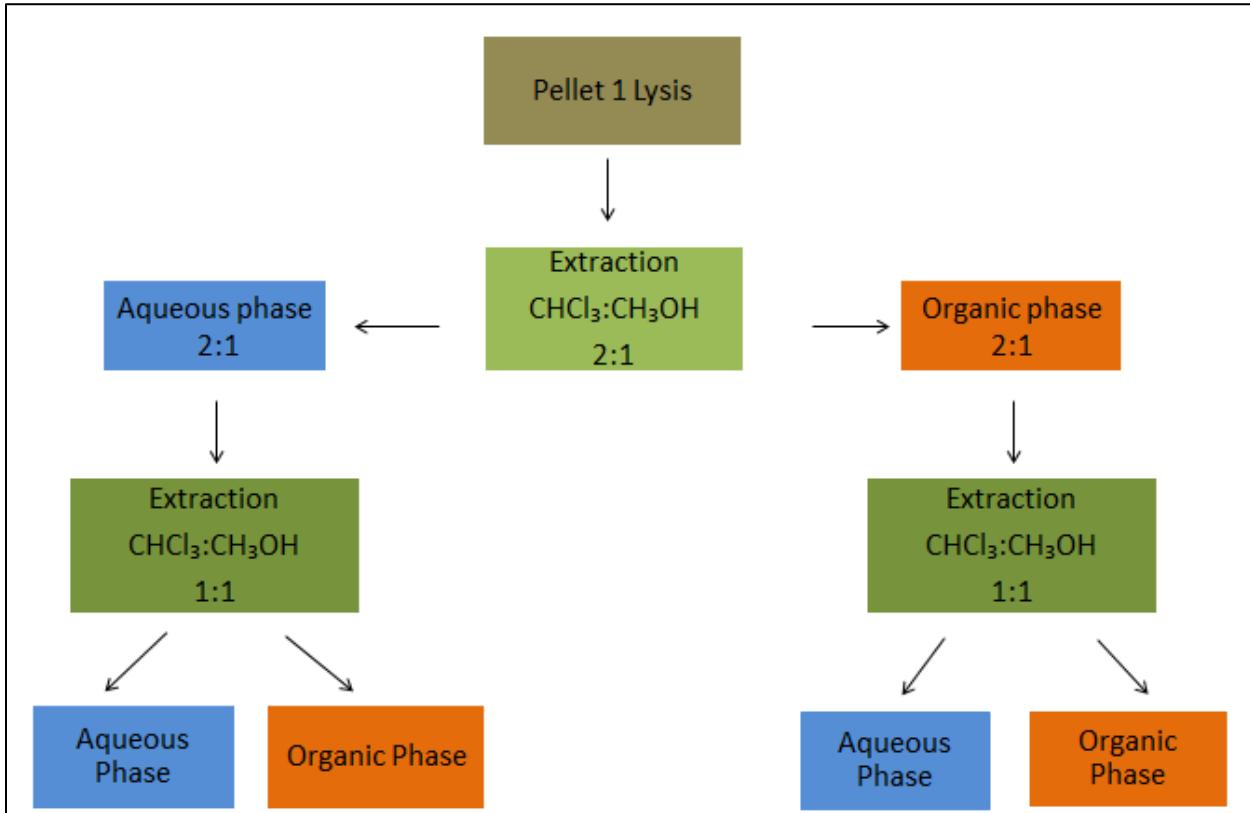
(Bio Rad Laboratories, California) equilibrated and run at a flow rate of 2.00 mL/min with an AUFS of 0.5 at a wavelength of 280 nm. The elution was obtained using buffers containing 20 mM Tris, 1 mM CaCl<sub>2</sub>, 0.04% NaN<sub>3</sub>, and 0-0.70 M NaCl or 0-1.0 M step gradients at pH 7.4. At the end of the process, the columns were washed for next use by eluting any tightly bound protein to the matrix with four column volumes of the buffer containing 1.0 M NaCl and then it was regenerated with the same buffer without NaCl. UV/Vis analysis was performed using a JASCO spectrophotometer in order to verify protein purity and determination of the concentration of the desired recombinant protein. The collected fractions were pooled, further concentrated and subjected to a 4-20% (Bis-Tris) gradient SDS-PAGE in order to identify the fractions containing His-*Hs* Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>.



**Figure 13.** Bacterial expression, isolation and purification of His-Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>.

#### **4.4 Alternate Isolation by Extraction Method**

Upon closer examination the His tag was being proteolitically cleaved during its expression within the bacterial cell, and as a result the sequence of the peptide had a hydrophobic character which would then allow for the recombinant peptide to be within the pellet. In order to improve the isolation of *Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>* an established protocol by Dr. Pastrana-Rios was used [47-48]. A newly harvested pellet was subjected to lysis as described in section 4.2 and subjected to a standard extraction method as summarized in Figure 14. Typically, 10 mL of cell lysate were added to a separatory funnel and multiple extractions with CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH (2:1, v/v) and CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH (1:1, v/v) were carried out. In addition, a 0.1M potassium chloride (KCl) solution was added to improve the separation of the phases. The organic phase and the aqueous phase were concentrated by rotary evaporation until obtaining a dry sample. Then, each phase sample was re-suspended in a buffer solution of 8 mM HEPES, 50 mM NaCl, 2 mM CaCl<sub>2</sub> and 2 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub> at pH 7.4 and a 4-20% (Bis-Tris) gradient SDS-PAGE was run to verify the purity and relative mobility of the proteins comprised within each phase. After completing the electrophoresis, the resolved protein bands were then transferred by electro-blotting to a PVDF membrane (BioRad, California) with running conditions of 90 volts for 1 hour. The PVDF membrane was then coomasie blue stained and the corresponding low molecular weight bands of interest were sent for partial amino acid sequencing at the proteomics facility at Tufts University (Medford, Massachusetts).



**Figure 14.** Alternate extraction method for the isolation of hydrophobic recombinant proteins. The solvent extraction ratios referred to above are (v/v ratios).

#### **4.5 Alternate Purification by Size Exclusion Chromatography**

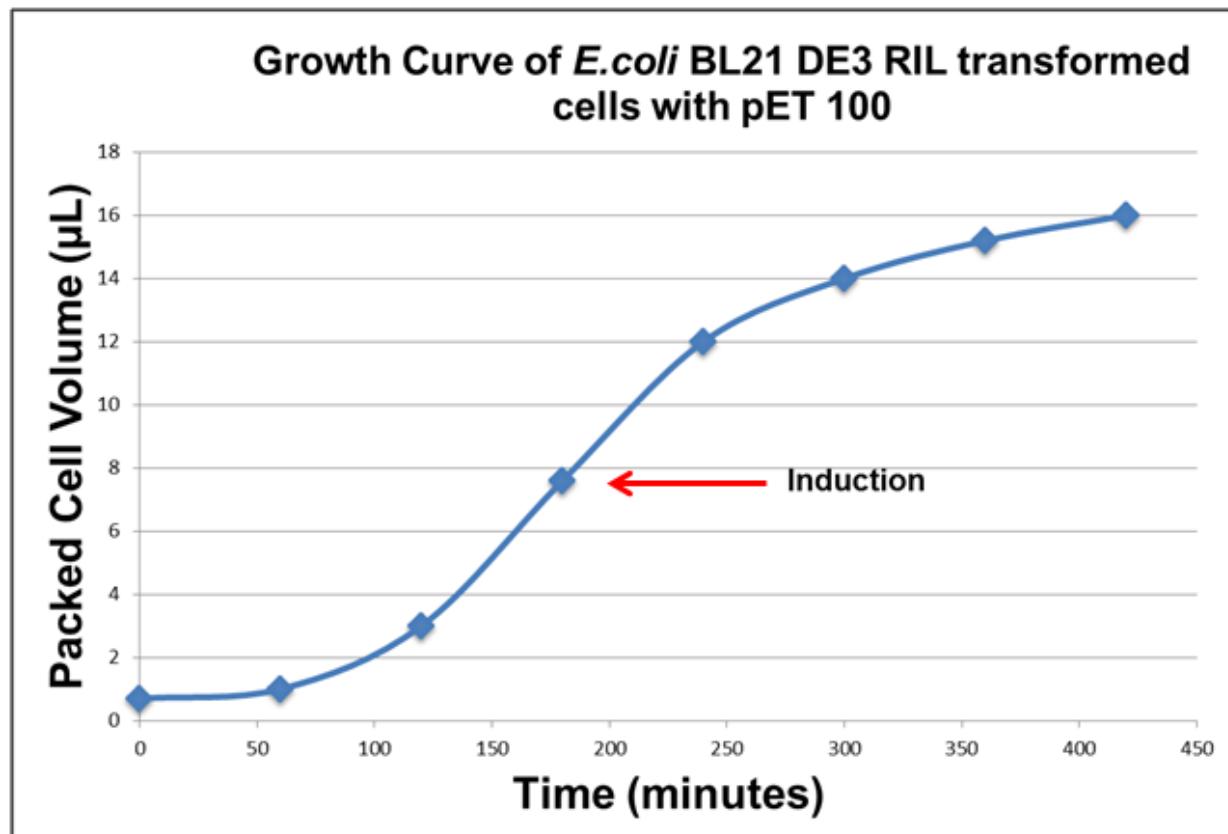
The identified sample containing *Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>* by partial amino acid sequencing was dialyzed against a buffer solution of 8 mM HEPES, 50 mM NaCl, 2 mM CaCl<sub>2</sub>, and 2 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub> at pH 7.4. Then, it was subjected to size exclusion chromatography using ÄKTA system. The chromatography column used was a Superdex 75 (GE Healthcare, Sweden) equilibrated and run at a flow rate of 0.5 mL/min and an AUFS of 0.5 at 280 nm wavelength. The collected fractions were subjected to a 4-20% (Bis-Tris) gradient SDS-PAGE, in order to identify the fractions containing *Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>*. The fractions identified to contain highly pure *Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>* were lyophilized and stored in a desiccator at room temperature.

## 5 RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

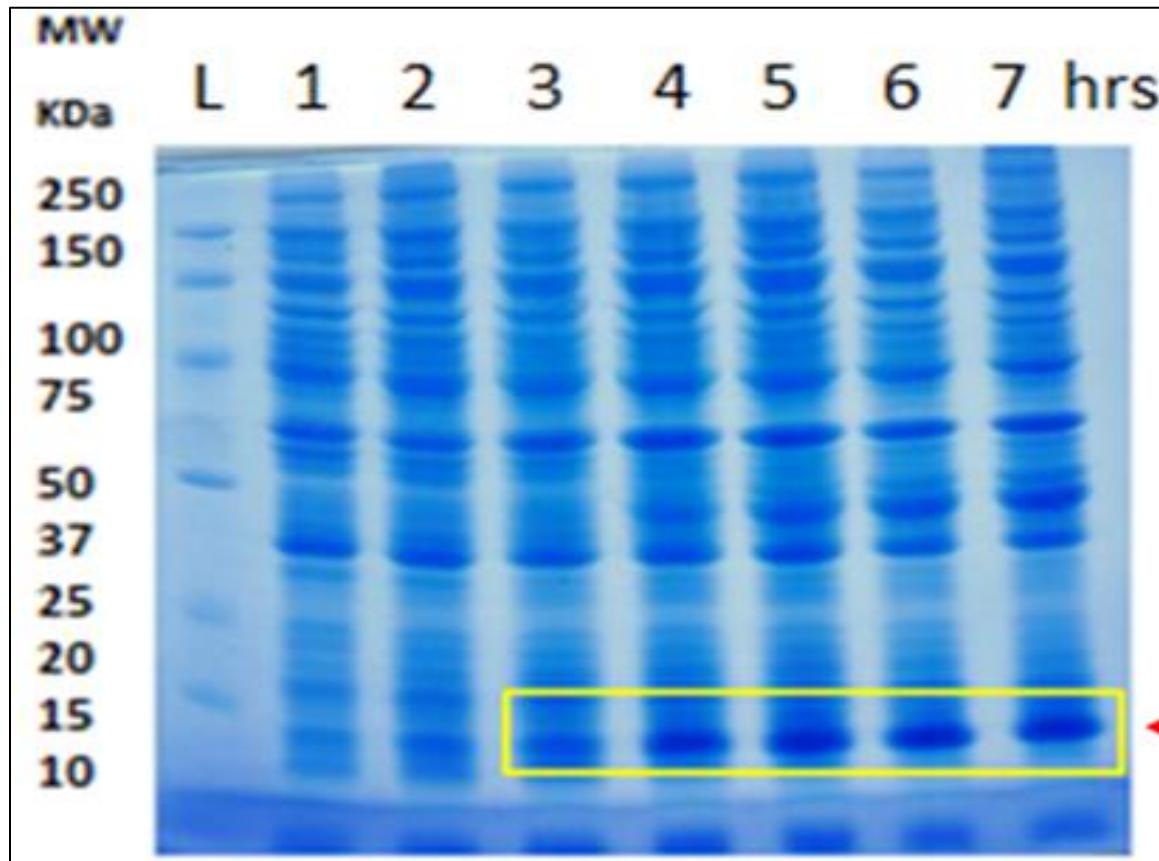
### 5.1 Bacterial Protein Expression of *Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>*

The over expression of *His-Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>* using the fermentor BioFlo 3000 resulted in a high yield cell culture, obtaining a pellet of 55.42 g. This was accomplished after variations of the current protein expression protocol [45], by using Terrific broth media and adding a fresh inoculum to the fermentor. As expected, no deviations in fermentation parameters were observed: agitation (350 rpm), temperature (37.0 °C), pH (7.0) and dissolved oxygen (100%). As shown in Figure 15, the fermentation last approximately 7 hours from inoculation to harvest, where the cells reached the stationary phase. An increase in cell growth was observed at the beginning of the log phase, after addition of a 0.5 mM isopropylthio-β-galactoside (IPTG) solution. Aliquots were taken every 60 minutes during the course of the fermentation process for monitoring the cell growth. Typically, the maximum value of packed cell volume (PCV) was 16 µL.

The aliquots were later lysed and subjected to a 5% stacking, 12% separating SDS-PAGE and stained with coomasie blue to determine the extent of over-expression of the recombinant protein. As shown in Figure 16, there is a prominent band around 12 kDa initially suspected to be *His-Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>* which increased in intensity after IPTG induction. The increasing amount of this band indicates that IPTG was able to activate the transcription of T7 RNA polymerase, which in turn transcribes the *His-Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>* DNA in the plasmid under the control of the T7 promoter. This protein band shows very low basal level of expression 3 hours before induction and was over expressed after 4 hours.



**Figure 15.**Growth curve of *E. coli* transformed cells with pET 100. The arrow shows the induction point 3 hours after inoculation of the fermentor.

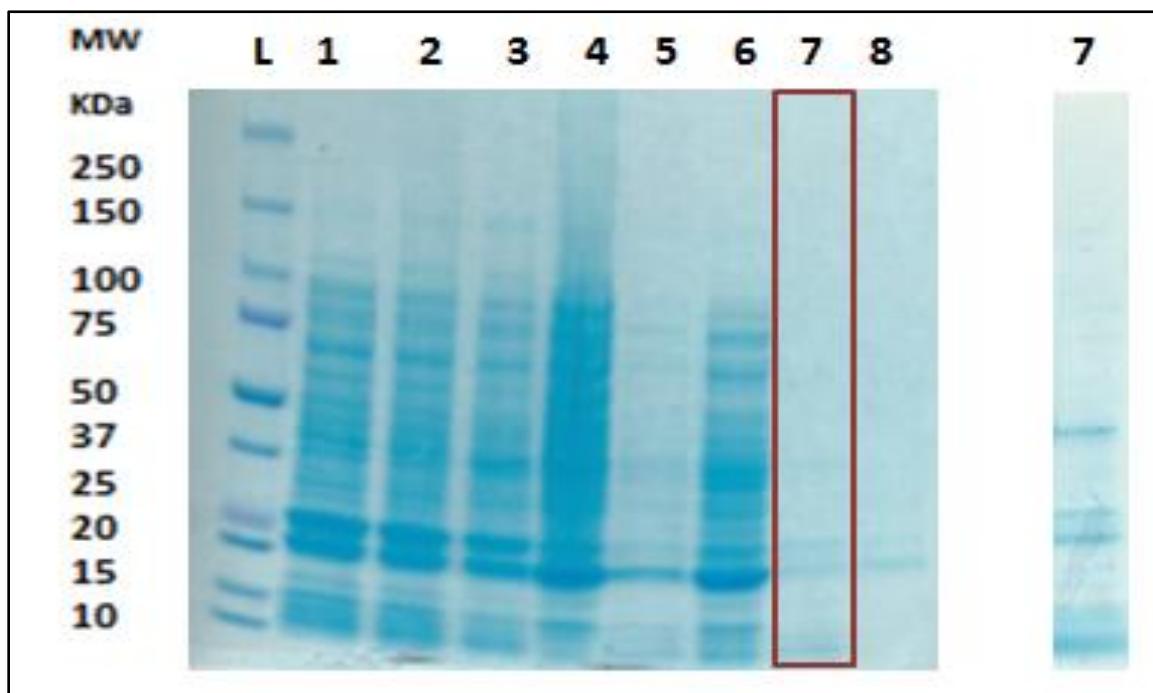


**Figure 16.** 5% stacking, 12% separating SDS-PAGE for the bacterial pellet lysate after high level expression. Molecular weight standards (L), cell lysates of progressive expression prior to induction (lanes 1-3), and cell lysates of progressive expression after induction (lanes 4-7).

## 5.2 Isolation of *Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>*

The protocol used to isolate the recombinant peptide was similar to that established by Pastrana et al. 2002 [45]. The pellet was lysed in batches of 10-20 grams, undergoes two centrifugation steps that removes a considerable amount of cell debris and the supernatant resulting from the second centrifugation ( $S_2$ ) was heated up to 50°C. Since, His-*Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>* has a random coil structure the risk of thermally denaturing the desired protein sample is minimal, yet the advantage of actually removing unwanted host proteins and its associated proteases; thus avoiding the unnecessary exposure of the recombinant peptide to proteolytic cleavage. After that, a third centrifugation was executed and the presence of a cream color paste, presumable denatured host proteins and proteases was observed as a pellet in the centrifuge tube. This third supernatant ( $S_3$ ) was then subjected to a 0.1 µm hollow fiber membrane in order to clarify the sample. The clarification process, allowed for a clearer supernatant sample and succeeding in removing more of the cellular debris and viscosity. Then, a second modification was performed by using two different membranes of 50 kDa and 3 kDa in a TFF system. The 50 kDa membrane was used in order to remove higher molecular weight host cell proteins, since His-*Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>* molecular weight is 12 kDa and can be recovered in the filtrate. The 3 kDa membrane was used to concentrate the peptide of interest and to perform a buffer exchange that will bring the sample to the buffer conditions used for the subsequent purification process. This saved experiment time, since it only consumed about 2 hours instead of using a centrifugal filter device of 3 kDa cut off that regularly would take approximately 8 hours. After the isolation process, a 4-20% (Bis-Tris) SDS-PAGE

was run confirming the efficiency of the process in removing the unwanted host cell proteins and showing the presence of a protein band near 12 kDa (Figure 17).

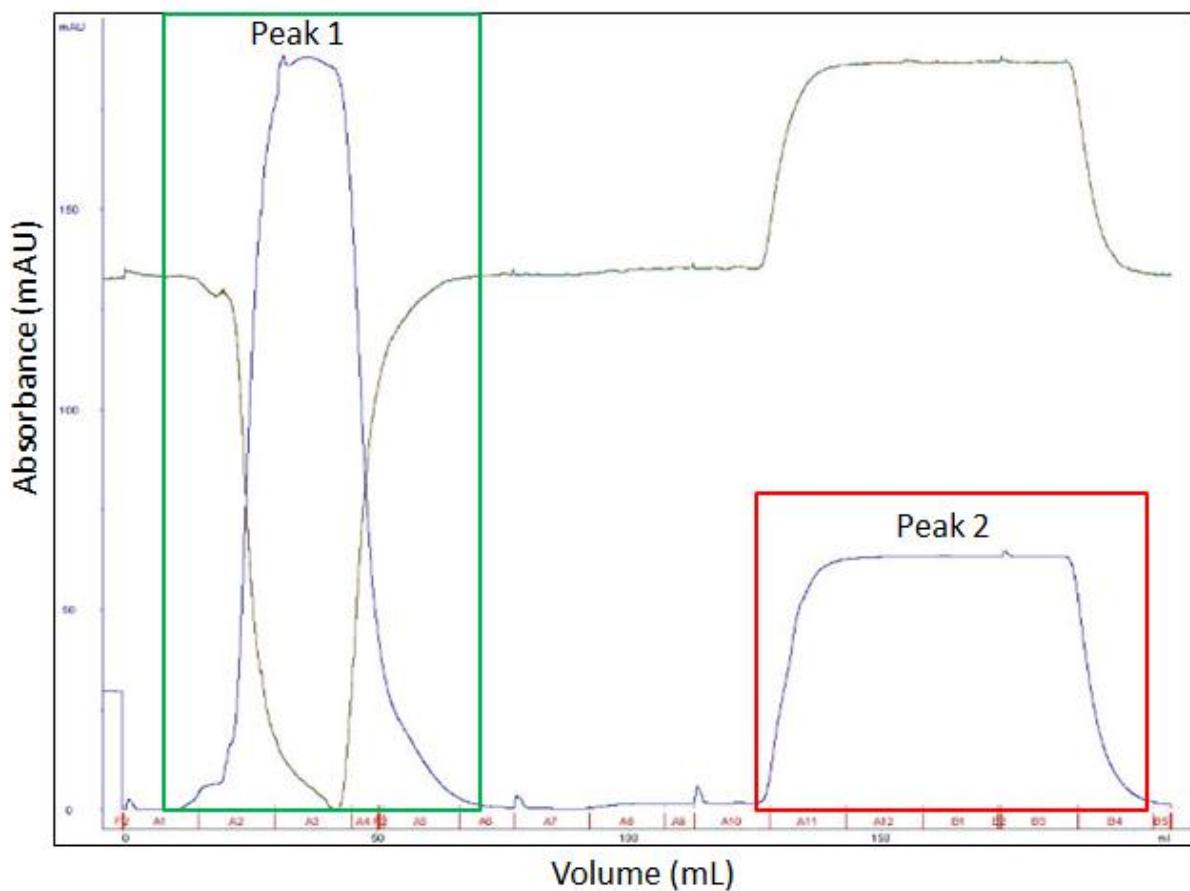


**Figure 17.** 4-20% (Bis-Tris) gradient SDS-PAGE for the isolation process. Molecular Weight Ladder (L), centrifugation step Supernatants (1-3), 0.1 µm membrane retentate (4), 0.1 µm membrane filtrate (5), 50 kDa TFF membrane filtrate (6), 3 kDa TFF membrane retentate (7-8). At the right of the image, lane 7 was further concentrated and stained to improve the visualization of the protein bands.

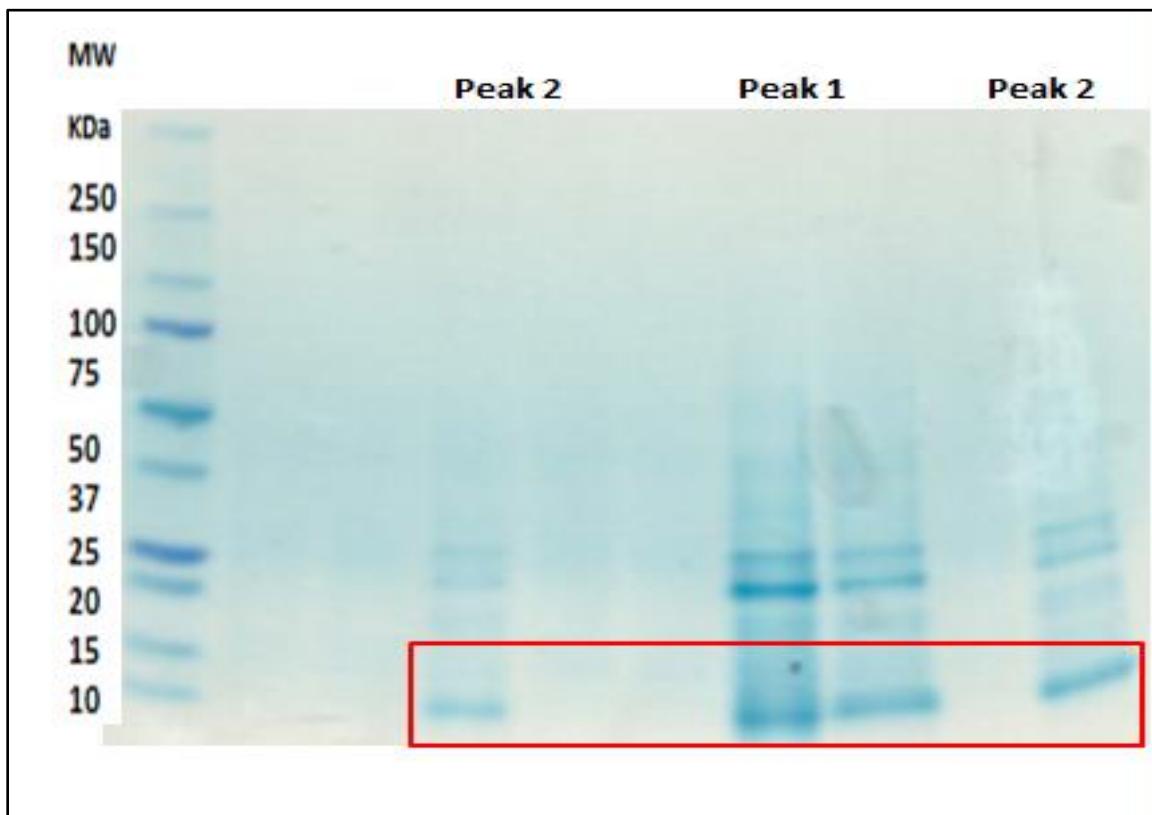
### **5.3 Purification by Affinity and Anion Exchange Chromatography**

The retentate resulting from the 3 kDa membrane was loaded into a cobalt affinity column. Two main peaks highly symmetric were obtained as observed from the chromatogram (Figure 18). The first peak (A) corresponds to a void volume of proteins that did not interact with the column matrix and the second peak (B) corresponds to the eluted proteins that did interact with the column matrix. It is in peak (B) where His-*Hs* Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub> would be present since the recombinant peptide was designed to contain a sequence of histidines residues that has affinity for the cobalt matrix. However, it is not exclusive only for His-*Hs* Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>, because there is the probability of other histidine rich proteins binding, and in that way this served as a preparatory chromatography that reduced the presence of contaminating host proteins. These results were confirmed by performing a 4-20% (Bis-Tris) gradient SDS-PAGE for both peak fractions (Figure 19). Although several sample batches were purified, the void volume and the elution peak always contained other proteins, in addition to the expected recombinant peptide near 12 kDa. Moreover, the recombinant peptide appears to be also present in the void volume, suggesting that performing additional purification of the void volume sample would be required in case of a protein overload of the column. Additional purification exercises were executed purifying the void volume and using low sample volumes to prevent column overloading obtaining the same results. As mentioned earlier, an explanation for the matrix affinity of these other contaminating proteins in the elution peak was that they could be rich in histidine residues as was the case for our desired recombinant, His-*Hs* Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub> allowing them to bind at the surface of the cobalt matrix. These results indicated that further

purification steps must be executed to obtain a pure sample of His-*Hs* Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub> since it was partially purified.



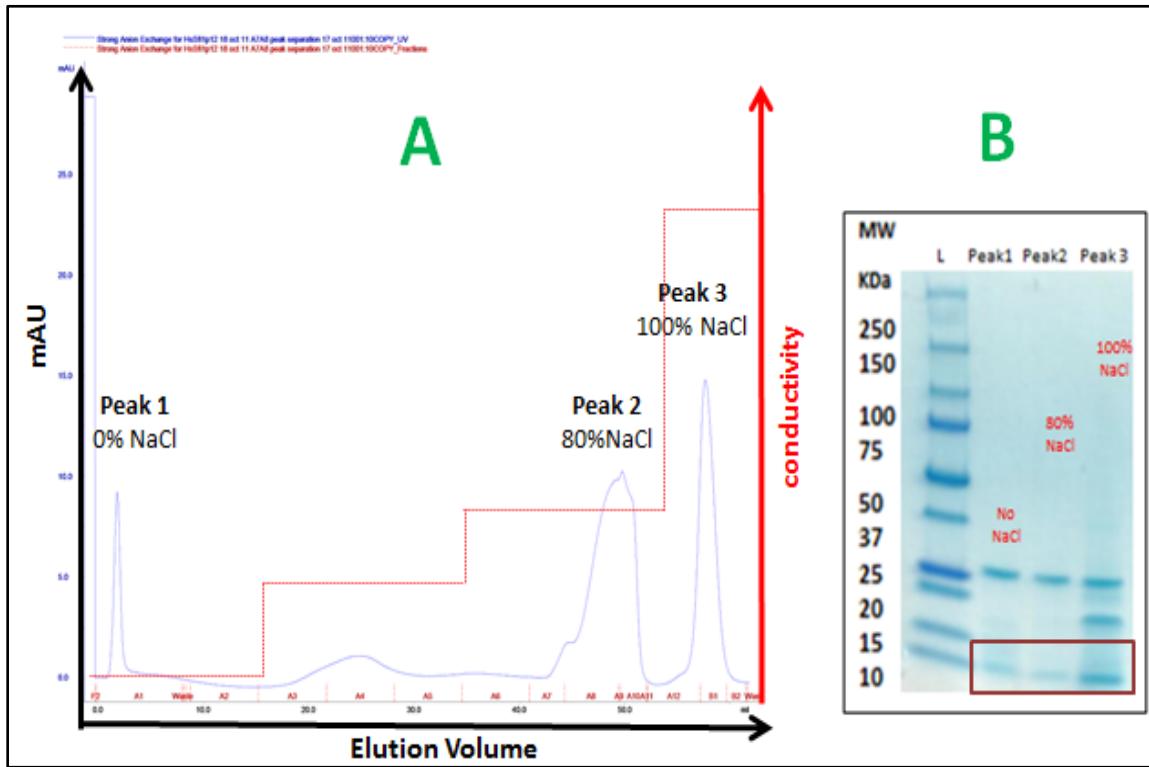
**Figure 18.** Cobalt affinity chromatogram. The blue line corresponds to the UV-Vis Spectrum, whereas the brown line corresponds to the conductivity of the protein sample. Host cell proteins that did not interact with the cobalt matrix (Peak 1). Eluted proteins that did interact with the cobalt matrix (Peak 2).



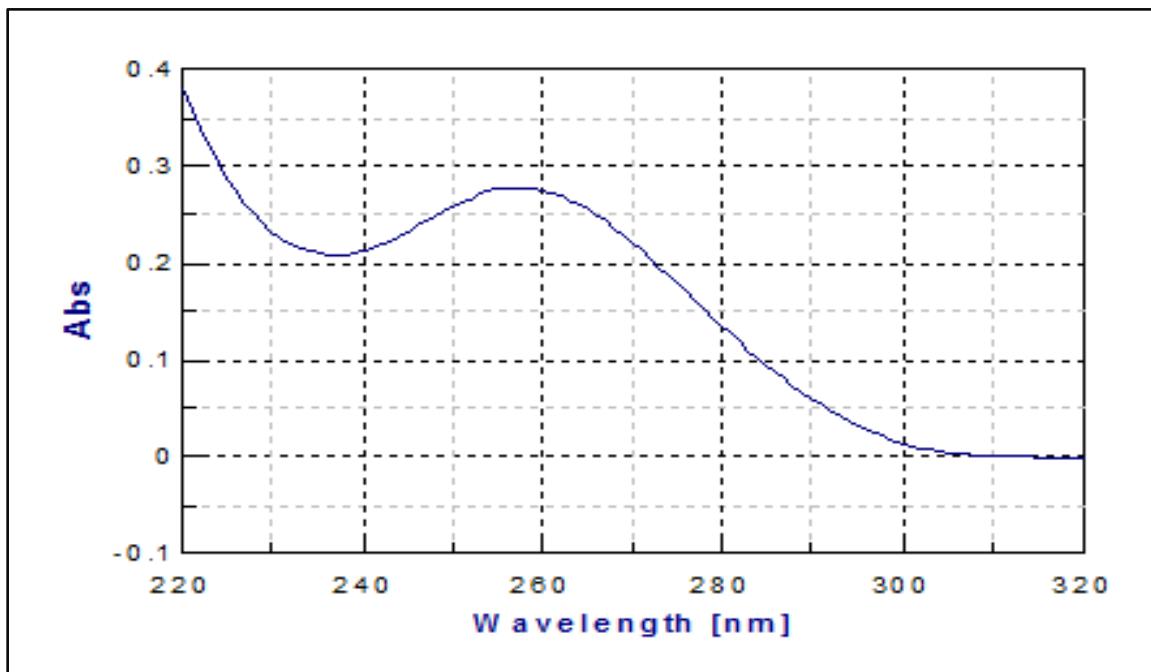
**Figure 19.** 4-20% (Bis-Tris) gradient SDS-PAGE for affinity chromatography fractions. The polyacrylamide gel shows a protein near 12 kDa suspected to be His-*Hs* Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub> for both peaks.

The principle of ion exchange chromatography explains that a charged molecule will bind to an oppositely charged matrix. If the pH of the buffer is below the pI of the target molecule, the net charge on the target molecule will be positive and will therefore bind to a cation exchanger. Otherwise, if the pH of the buffer is above the pI of the target molecule, the net charge on the target molecule will be negative and will therefore bind to an anion exchanger. After doing a sequence analysis on ExPasy ProtParam software [46] a pI = 8.57 was obtained for His-*Hs* Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>, and the pH of the protein's buffer was 7.4, making it a candidate for a cation exchanger. However, an anion exchange chromatography step was selected in order to remove contaminating host proteins with lower isoelectric points. The pooled fractions obtained after the affinity chromatography step were loaded onto a 1.0 mL High Q Strong Anion exchange column in ÄKTA system for a low sample volume purification. The step gradient used was between 0-1.0 M NaCl (Figure 20). Three peaks were observed at 0%, 80% and 100% NaCl and after performing a 4-20% (Bis-Tris) gradient SDS-PAGE analysis a band near 12 kDa was observed for these three peaks. A UV/Vis spectroscopic analysis of the three fractions was performed and all the spectra showed the highest absorbance near 260 nm (Figure 21). Examining closely the sequence of His-*Hs* Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>, it has five tryptophan (W) residues in its sequence, therefore a strong absorption signal at 280 nm, should have been observed. This was not the case, thus providing evidence suggesting that it was not the desired recombinant peptide.

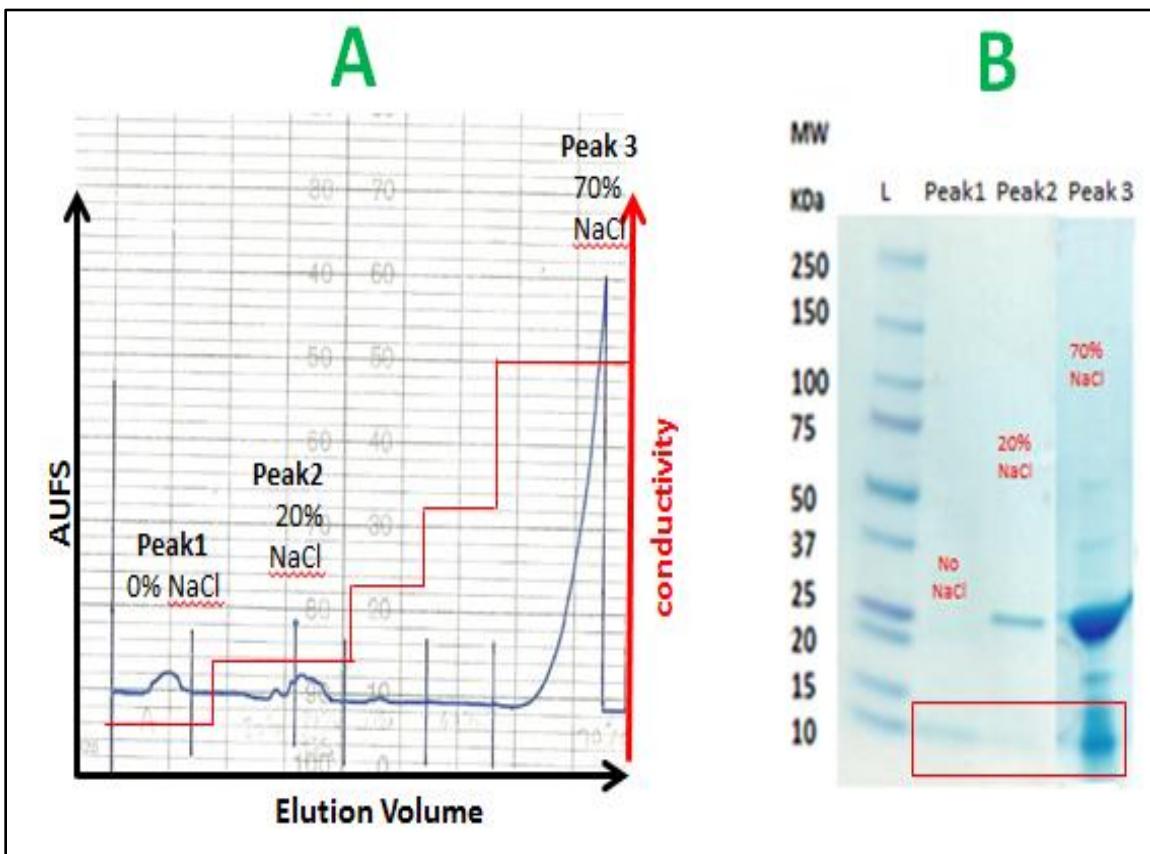
A second anion exchange chromatography was performed, loading a large volume sample onto a 40 mL BioRad High Q Strong Anion-Exchange column (manual system). A linear ionic gradient was used between 0-0.70 M NaCl. The elution profile showed two small peaks and one major peak (Figure 22). The first peak (Peak 1) appeared before the gradient was started and corresponds to those proteins positively charged that did not interact with the positively charged column. The second peak (Peak 2) represented less positive proteins binding to the column using an elution buffer of 20% NaCl. A third peak (Peak 3) showing a sharp band or peak which had the highest absorbance of all, suggesting the presence of proteins with the lowest isoelectric points interacting with the positively charged matrix. It was observed that although the isoelectric point of His -*Hs Sfi1p*<sub>1-2</sub> is 8.57, and was supposed to elute only in the Void Volume, it would not interact with the positively charge column, suggesting that the protein eluted was in fact a host protein and not the desired recombinant protein as shown in the 4-20% (Bis-Tris) gradient SDS-PAGE (Figure 23).



**Figure 20.** Anion exchange chromatogram and a 4-20% (Bis-Tris) gradient SDS-PAGE for a step gradient of 0-1.0 M NaCl. Purification of a low volume sample using the ÄKTA system. Elution of proteins that did not interact with the matrix column (Peak 1), Elution of proteins that did interact with the matrix column (Peaks 2-3).



**Figure 21.** Characteristic UV/Vis spectrum of *Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>* after anion exchange chromatography.



**Figure 22.** Anion exchange chromatogram and 4-20% (Bis-Tris) gradient SDS-PAGE for a step gradient from 0-0.70 M NaCl. Purification of a large volume sample. Elution of proteins that did not interact with the column (Peaks 1-2), Elution of proteins that did interact with the column matrix (Peak 3).

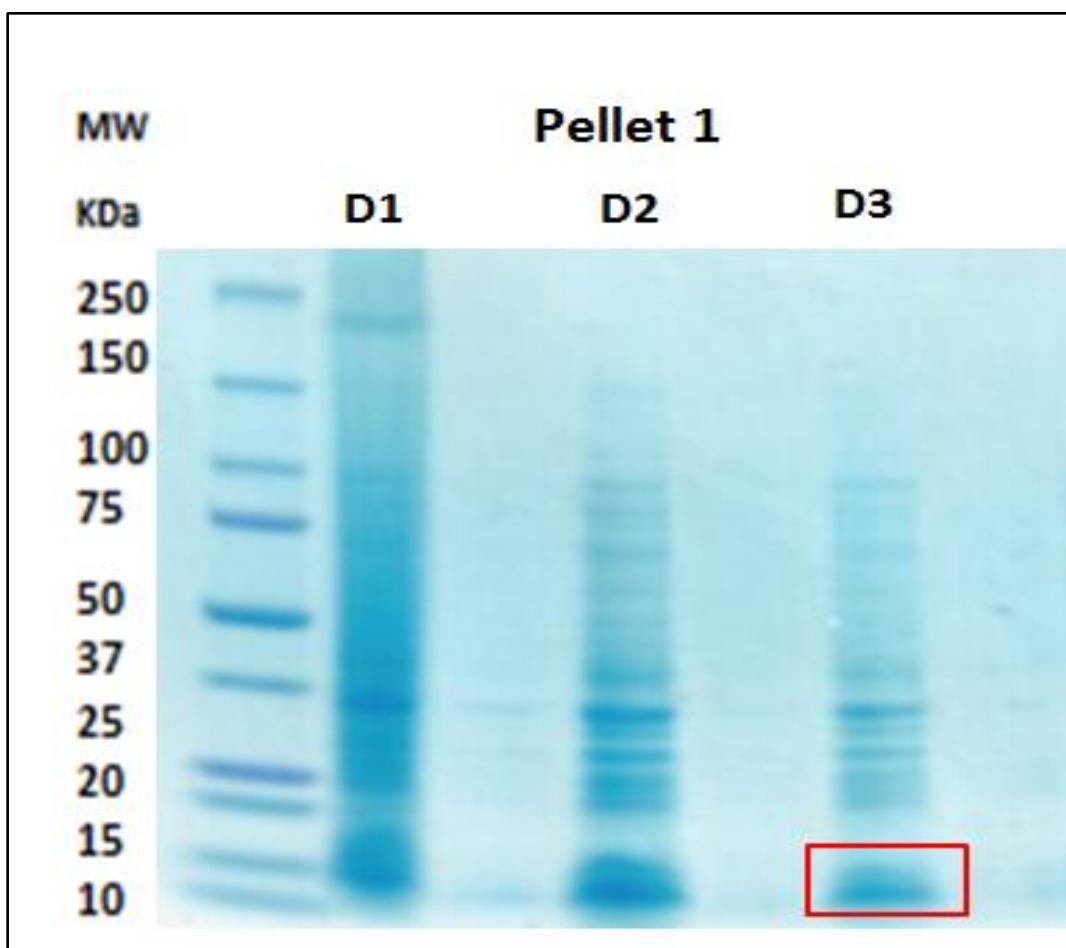
## 5.4 Isolation by Pellet Extraction Method

Suspecting that the protein band observed near 12 kDa was not His-Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>, the following hypothesis was stated: “*Proteolytic cleavage of the Histidine tag will result in less solubility of Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub> and as a consequence the peptide will stay in the pellet*”. In fact, a comparison of the peptide’s amino acid sequence with the histidine tag and without it using Expasy ProtParam [46] showed different characteristics (Figure 23). As observed in Figure 16, the sequence of the peptide with the histidine tag showed a considerable percent of charged amino acids that can increase the solubility of the peptide. The sequence of the peptide without the histidine tag demonstrated a higher percent of hydrophobic amino acids governing the sequence and as a consequence solubility of the peptide can be reduced. A second hypothesis is that: “*the hydrophobic residues in the protein dominate the biochemical behavior.*” This would result in the protein interacting with other hydrophobic proteins during the isolation process and as a result remaining in the pellet, but during the solvent extraction the desired recombinant protein would be observed in the aqueous phase. Then, the following step performed was to run a 4-20% (Bis-Tris) gradient SDS-PAGE of diluted pellets including the three centrifugal steps, looking for the presence of a protein band near 12 kDa. In fact, Pellet 1 that corresponded to the first centrifugal step, showed a much defined band near 12 kDa (Figure 24). The small aliquots of Pellet 2 and Pellet 3 were also analyzed, which were shown to have little or no amount of the recombinant peptide. This means that these pellets were comprised mainly of contaminating proteins and degraded components of cellular membranes, assumed by its viscous nature. After finding this

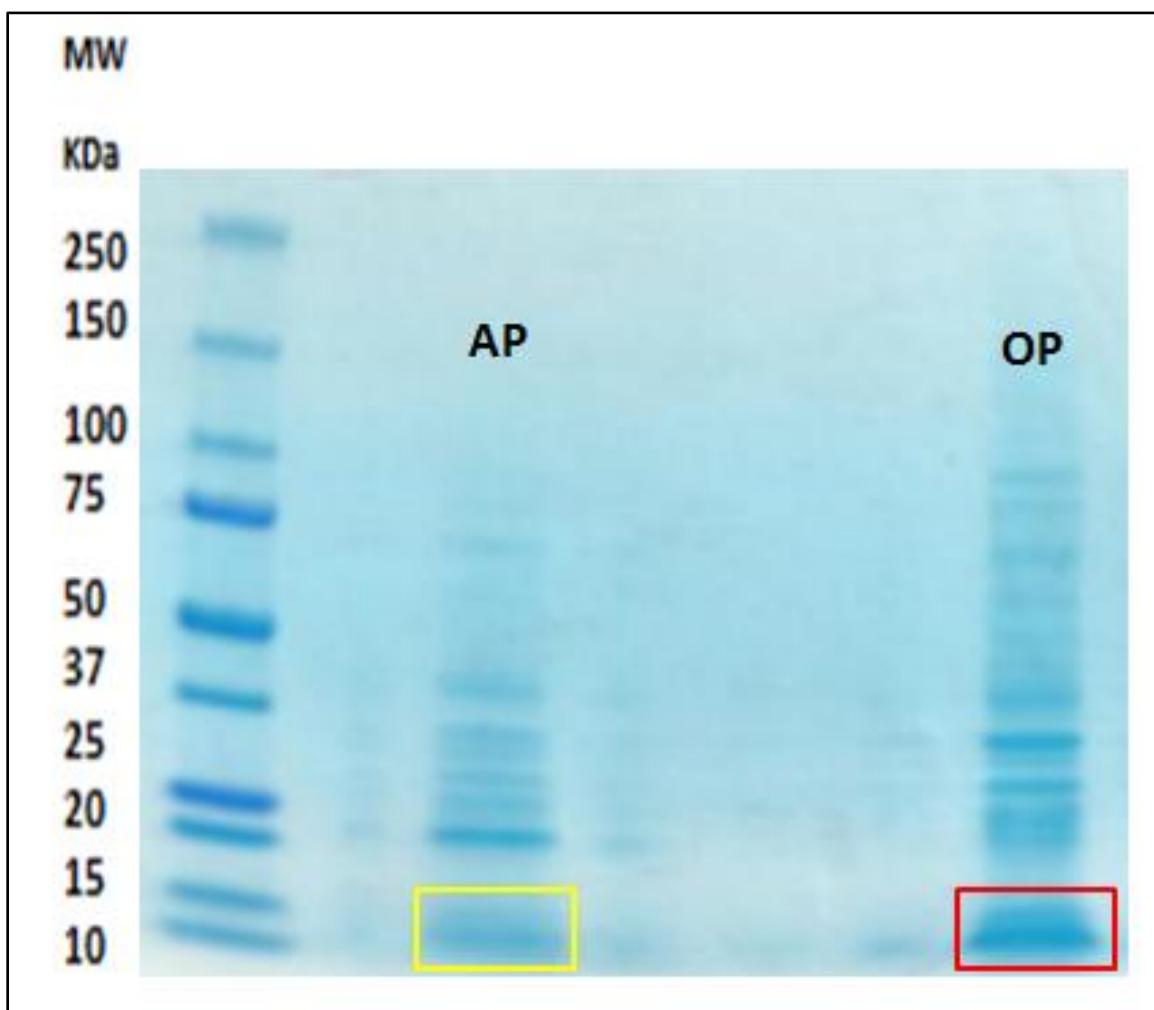
evidence, an extraction method with organic solvents was used in order to isolate His-*Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>* from the pellet. The solvent system used consists of a sequence of extractions with CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH (2:1, v/v) and a CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH (1:1, v/v) ratio and then evaporating the solvent system from the extracted samples. The sample fractions containing the organic and the aqueous phase CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH (2:1, v/v) were subjected to a 4-20% (Bis-Tris) gradient SDS-PAGE (Figure 25). The presence of a protein band near 12 kDa was observed for each phase.

<i>Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub></i> with His-tag			<i>Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub></i> without His-tag		
Amino acid composition			Amino acid composition		
Ala (A) 3 3.1%			Ala (A) 2 3.1%		
Arg (R) 8 8.3%			Arg (R) 6 9.2%		
Asn (N) 2 2.1%			Asn (N) 1 1.5%		
Asp (D) 6 6.2%			Asp (D) 2 3.1%		
Cys (C) 2 2.1%			Cys (C) 2 3.1%		
Gln (Q) 5 5.2%			Gln (Q) 3 4.6%		
Glu (E) 6 6.2%			Glu (E) 6 9.2%		
Gly (G) 5 5.2%			Gly (G) 0 0.0%		
His (H) 9 9.4%			His (H) 3 4.6%		
Ile (I) 0 0.0%			Ile (I) 0 0.0%		
Leu (L) 6 6.2%			Leu (L) 5 7.7%		
Lys (K) 6 6.2%			Lys (K) 5 7.7%		
Met (M) 5 5.2%			Met (M) 1 1.5%		
Phe (F) 6 6.2%			Phe (F) 6 9.2%		
Pro (P) 2 2.1%			Pro (P) 2 3.1%		
Ser (S) 3 3.1%			Ser (S) 1 1.5%		
Thr (T) 4 4.2%			Thr (T) 3 4.6%		
Trp (W) 5 5.2%			Trp (W) 5 7.7%		
Tyr (Y) 8 8.3%			Tyr (Y) 7 10.8%		
Val (V) 5 5.2%			Val (V) 5 7.7%		
96 amino acids			65 amino acids		
pl= 8.57			pl= 8.98		
MW=12,119 Da			MW=8,592 Da		

**Figure 23.** Expasy ProtParam comparison of parameters for His-*Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>* and *Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>*. The recombinant peptide with the histidine tag (left) and without it (right).

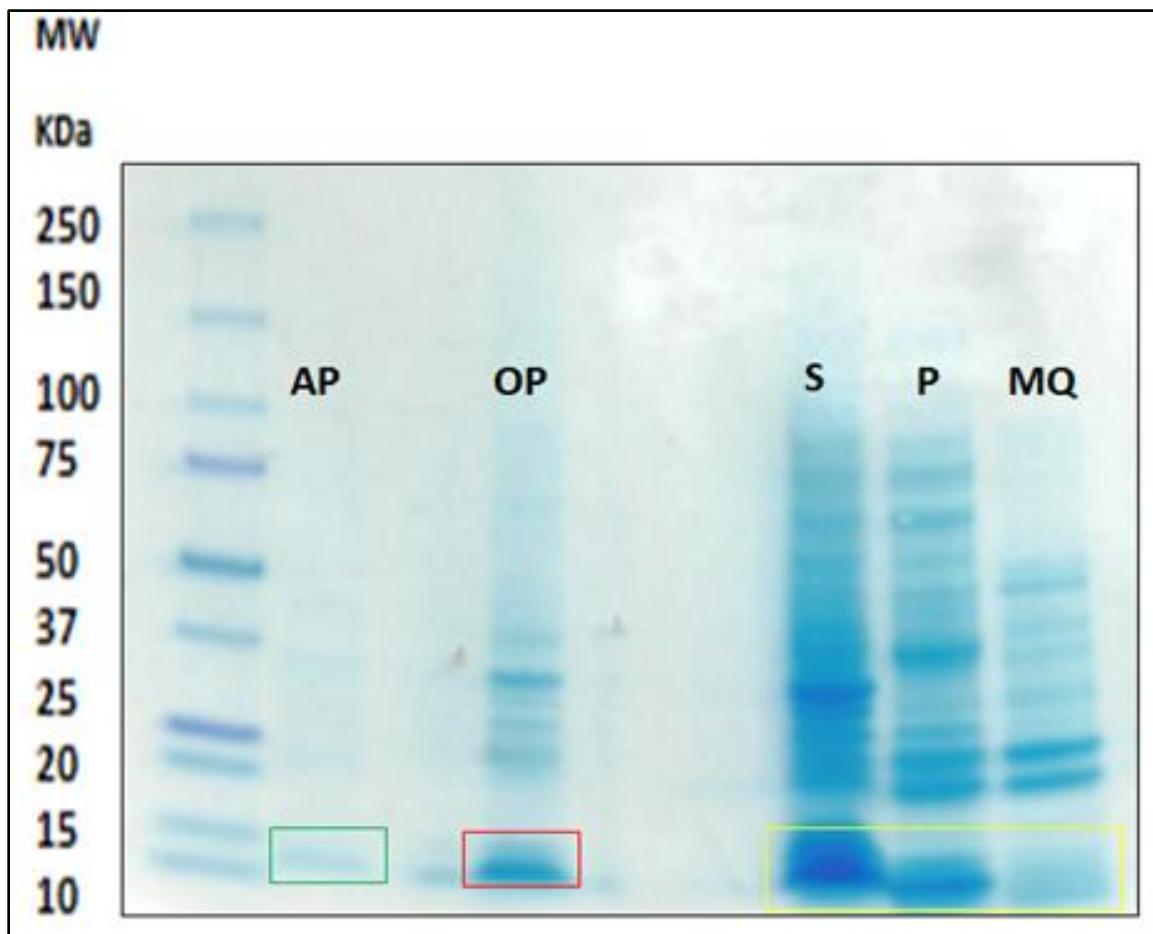


**Figure 24.** Pellet 1 dilutions (D1-D3) to identify a protein band at 12 kDa.

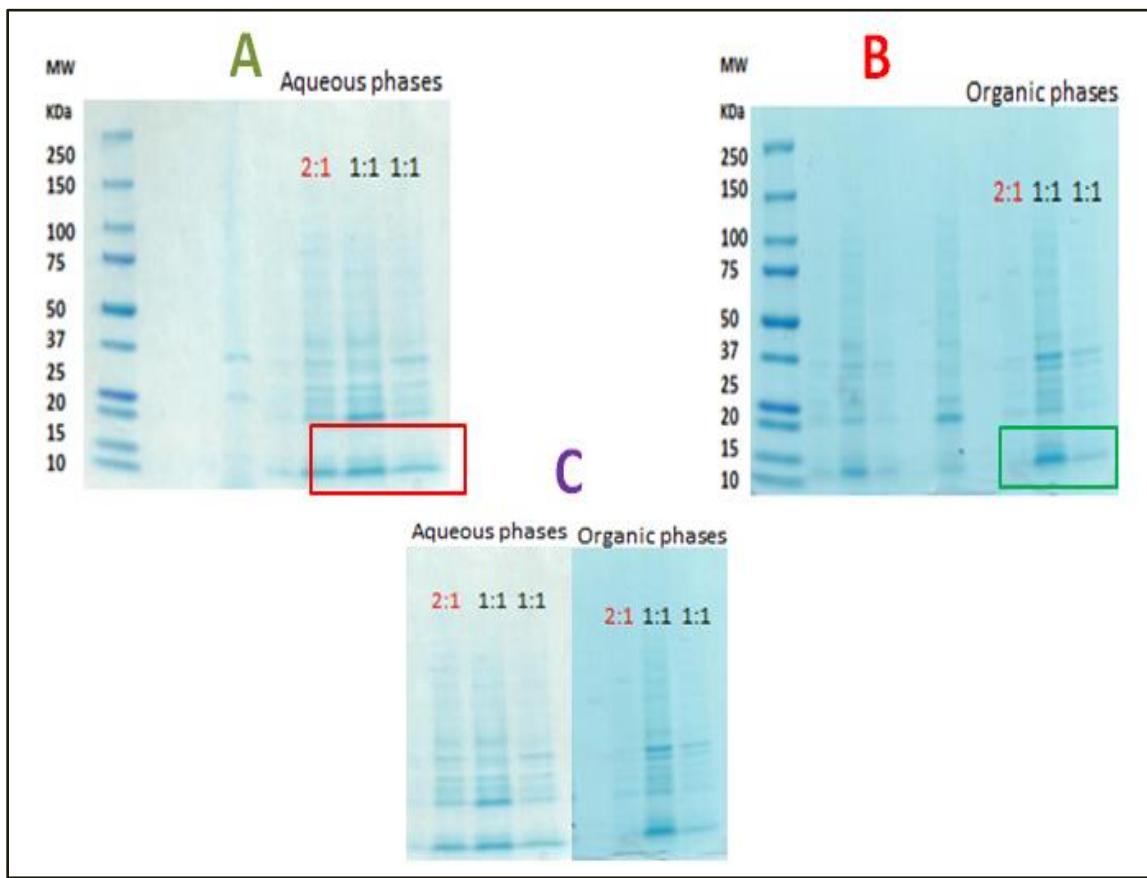


**Figure 25.** SDS-PAGE of the Aqueous Phase (AP) and the Organic Phase (OP) for  $\text{CHCl}_3:\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$  (2:1, v/v).

In addition, another 4-20% (Bis-Tris) gradient SDS-PAGE analysis was performed for both phases obtained from the CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH (1:1, v/v) ratio extraction and the presence of the protein band near 12 kDa was observed again (Figure 26). In the same analysis, the supernatant and the pellet of a lysed sample of Pellet 1 was run to make a comparison with the supernatant processed through a Mustang Q membrane that works in an analogous way to a High Q Strong Anion Exchange column. As seen in Figure 19, after passing the supernatant through the membrane there is no visible band near 12 kDa. This represents additional evidence indicating that the protein isolated from the supernatant after centrifugation did not correspond to the recombinant peptide His-*Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>*. After consecutive extractions, the samples obtained for the aqueous and organic phases were compared in various 4-20% (Bis-Tris) gradient SDS-PAGE (Figure 27). At the bottom of Figure 27, one can notice a difference in relative mobility, suggesting that they could be possibly two different proteins. Therefore, further analysis based on the protein characteristics will confirm the identity of those protein samples. In fact, results from partial amino acid sequencing at the N-terminal confirmed the presence of partially His tagged *Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>* at the aqueous phase of the extraction (Figure 28). However, no hits were found for the organic phase, indicating that it is a different protein (Figure 28).



**Figure 26.** SDS-PAGE of the Aqueous phase (AP) and the Organic phase (OP) for the extraction  $\text{CHCl}_3:\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$  (1:1, v/v). At the left, comparison of the supernatant (S) and the pellet (P) with a sample treated with a Mustang Q Membrane (MQ).



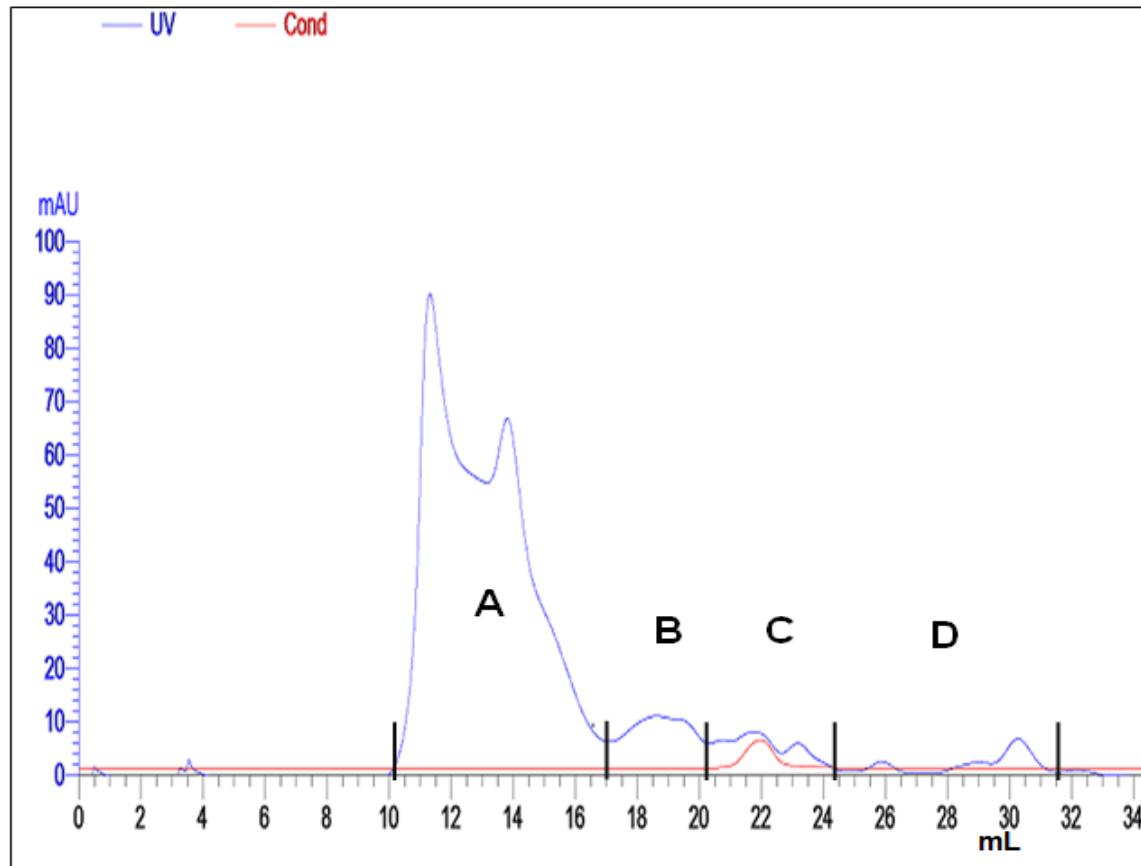
**Figure 27.** SDS-PAGE of consecutive extractions for the Aqueous phases (A), the Organic phases (B) and a comparison of relative mobility for both phases (C). The solvent extraction ratios referred to above are CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH (v/v ratios).

<b>His-Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub></b>	1	7
	M R G S H H H	
SEQ RESULTS	M R G S H H H	V/I
12,119 Da		
<b>not His-Hs Sfi1p1-2</b>	1	7
	M R G S H H H	
SEQ RESULTS	S L S T E A T	

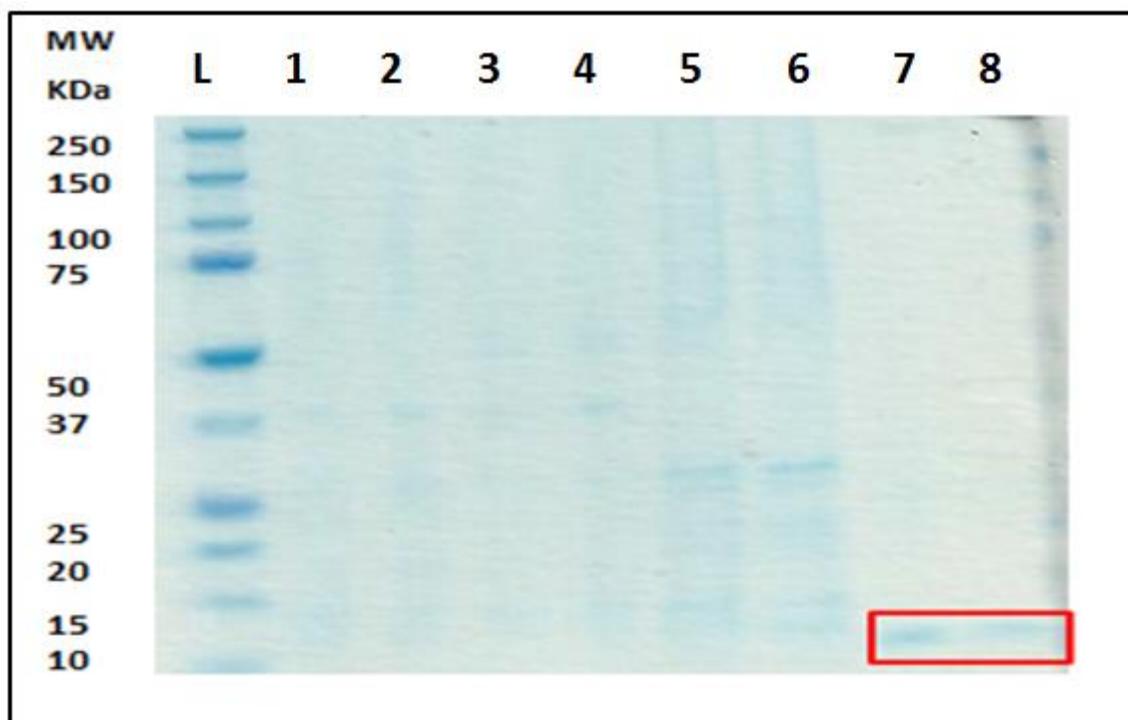
**Figure 28.** Partial amino acid sequencing results from the proteomics facility at Tufts University. Amino acid sequence for the aqueous phase sample (Top) and the organic phase sample (bottom).

## 5.5 Purification by Size Exclusion Chromatography

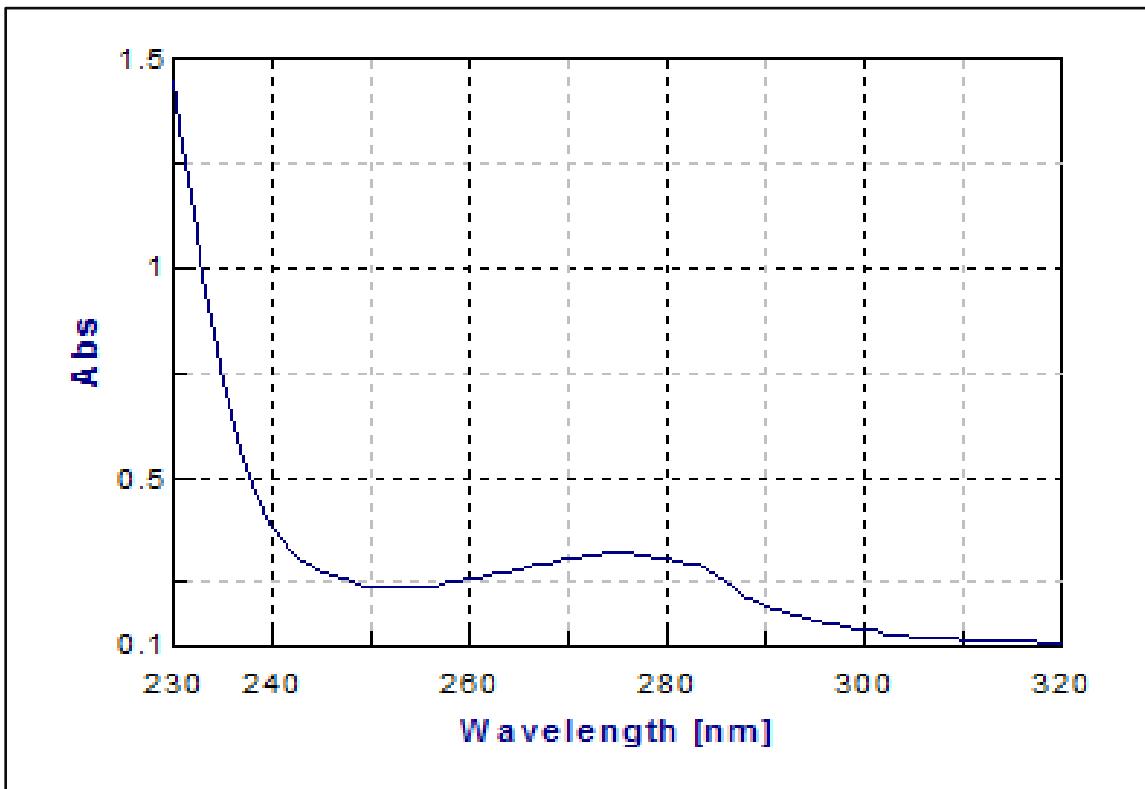
Following the successful identification of *Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>* at the aqueous phase, a size exclusion chromatography was performed in order to remove contaminant proteins previously observed. Several aqueous sample batches were purified in order to obtain sufficient protein for the biochemical characterization and a similar chromatogram for each run was obtained as the one observed in (Figure 29). Size exclusion column's specifications established that the recombinant peptide can be eluted near 20 mL in the chromatogram. After performing a 4-20% (Bis-Tris) gradient SDS-PAGE of the different fractions pooled, a band was observed corresponding to the volume interval of 18-20 mL (Figure 30). However, the band was not completely pure and almost two less visible impurities were present. Finally, a UV-Vis spectroscopy confirmed a spectrum with absorbance maxima near 280 nm, as expected for *Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>* (Figure 31).



**Figure 29.** Size exclusion chromatogram of the aqueous phase sample.



**Figure 30.** SDS-PAGE of size exclusion pooled fractions indicating the presence of *Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>*.



**Figure 31.** Characteristic UV/Vis spectrum of *Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>* fractions after size exclusion chromatography.

## 6 CONCLUSIONS AND FUTURE WORK

The expression, isolation, purification, and biochemical characterization of recombinant *Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>* have been described in this work. The over expression of *Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>* was achieved using the BioFlo 3000 bench scale fermentor, obtaining a high yield of bacterial pellet and protein expression for the subsequent purification process. The isolation and purification strategies described here were performed based on the biochemical characteristics of the recombinant peptide and after a successful modification of the protocol previously established by Pastrana et al. [45]. A preliminary analysis by 4-20% (Bis-Tris) gradient SDS-PAGE of the isolation and purification process showed a prominent band at 12 kDa, however further analysis was required in order to confirm its identity. Another 4-20% (Bis-Tris) gradient SDS-PAGE analysis of lysed pellet 1 confirmed the presence of a 12 kDa protein, suspected to be His-*Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>*, although it was supposed to be at the supernatant. The extraction method with organic solvents allowed further isolation of *Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>* from pellet 1 sample. Moreover, the partial amino acid sequencing analysis confirmed the presence of the recombinant peptide with a Histidine tag at the aqueous phase. These findings suggests that although the His-tagged will aid in allowing the peptide to be more soluble there could be other two possible scenarios: 1) The Histidine tag could be degraded by proteolytic cleavage and the protein will remain at the pellet, 2) The hydrophobic nature of the protein could predominate and therefore the tag can represent only an alternative for proteins with little or no hydrophobic character. Results from partial amino acid sequencing for the aqueous phase protein sample supports the hypothesis that the hydrophobic residues in the protein domains the

biochemical behavior, and this could result in the protein interacting with other hydrophobic proteins during the isolation process and as a result remaining in the pellet.

It is highly recommended to optimize the process describe in this work for large scale isolation and purification, in order to obtain a higher *Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>* peptide yield for subsequent analysis. Further investigation will involve the study of the interaction of *Hs Sfi1p<sub>1-2</sub>*- *Hs* centrin, using different biophysical techniques in order to elucidate the thermodynamics governing binding, complex stability, and the conformational changes involved in complex formation.

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## **APPENDIX A**

### **QUIM 8995: BIOINFORMATICS, PROTEINS & PROTEIN-PROTEIN INTERACTIONS (PPI'S) SEQUENCE ANALYSIS CLUSTALW**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

The study of proteins is not limited to the acquisition of data directly from laboratory experiments. It is highly desirable to perform first a computational analysis to gain some previous knowledge about the protein. Bioinformatics can provide us the necessary tools, because it is the application of computer science and information technology to fields like biology, chemistry and related areas. Therefore the use of Bioinformatics for the study of proteins in Biology and Chemistry is crucial. Particularly for protein analysis, sequence alignment of amino acids helps to identify regions of similarity that may be a consequence of functional, structural or evolutionary relationships between different organisms. ClustalW is a widely used multiple sequence alignment computer program, that can perform a pairwise analysis and create a phylogenetic tree. It uses an algorithm for comparing primary biological sequence information, such as the amino-acid sequences of different proteins or the nucleotides of DNA sequences. The program enables the researcher to compare a query sequence with a library or database of sequences, and identify library sequences that resemble the query sequence above a certain threshold. Alignments can reflect a degree of evolutionary change between sequences descended from a common ancestor or convergent evolution can occur to produce apparent similarity between proteins that are evolutionarily unrelated but perform similar functions and have similar structures. For the purpose of this project, Sfi1 protein 23 binding sites and Sfi1 entire sequence from diverse organisms was analyzed by using ClustalW.

## ORGANISMS FOR SFI1 SEQUENCE ANALYSIS

Organism	Protein name	Protein Database	Accession Number	Length
<i>Homo sapiens</i> (human)				
Isoform 1	<i>HsSFI1_1</i>	UniProt	A8K8P3-1	1242 aa
Isoform 2	<i>HsSFI1_2</i>	UniProt	A8K8P3-2	1211 aa
Isoform 3	<i>HsSFI1_3</i>	UniProt	A8K8P3-3	1160 aa
Isoform 4	<i>HsSFI1_4</i>	UniProt	A8K8P3-4	1031 aa
Isoform 5	<i>HsSFI1_5</i>	UniProt	A8K8P3-5	991 aa
Isoform 9	<i>HsSFI1_9</i>	UniProt	A8K8P3-9	1187 aa
Isoform 10	<i>HsSFI1_10</i>	UniProt	A8K8P3-10	1148 aa
<i>Mus musculus</i> ( mouse)				
Isoform 1	<i>MmSFI1_1</i>	UniProt	Q3UZY0-1	1216 aa
Isoform 2	<i>MmSFI1_2</i>	UniProt	Q3UZY0-2	1184 aa
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**SEQUENCE ALIGNMENT RESULTS FOR HOMO SAPIENS, MUS MUSCULUS AND PAN TROGLODYTES**

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HsSFI1_5 59	MKNLLTEKCIS-SHNFHQKVIKQRM <b>EKKVDSRYFKDGAVKKPYSAKTLSNKSSASFGIR</b>
HsSFI1_9 59	MKNLLTEKCIS-SHNFHQKVIKQRM <b>EKKVDSRYFKDGAVKKPYSAKTLSNKSSASFGIR</b>
HsSFI1_3 27	MKNLLTEKCIS-SHNFHQKVIKQRM <b>EKK-----</b>
HsSFI1_4 27	MKNLLTEKCIS-SHNFHQKVIKQRM <b>EKK-----</b>
HsSFI1_10 27	MKNLLTEKCIS-SHNFHQKVIKQRM <b>EKK-----</b>
PtsFI1_1 26	MKNLLTEKCIS-SHNFHQKVIKQRM <b>EK-----</b>
PtsFI1_3 26	MKNLLTEKCIS-SHNFHQKVIKQRM <b>EK-----</b>
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PtsFI1 58	MKNLLTEKCIS-SHNFHQKVIKQRM <b>EKKVDSR-YFKDGAVKKPYSAKTLSNKSSASFGIR</b>
HsSFI1_2 59	MKNLLTEKCIS-SHNFHQKVIKQRM <b>EKKVDSRYFKDGAVKKPYSAKTLSNKSSASFGIR</b>
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MmsFI1_3 22	MEKKIG-----SRSFRDG <b>VVKKPCSPK-----</b>
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HsSFI1_5 89	RELPSTSHLVQYRG-----THTCTRQGRL <b>RELRI</b> -----
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HsSFI1_4 31	-----VDSR-----

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1158	
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1187	

HsSFI1_3	WLELNREEPGPEDQEVQQVQKELEQVEMQIQLLAELQAQRQPIGACVARIQALRQALC
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PtSFI110	WLELNREEPGPEDQEVQQVQKELEQVEMQIQLLAELQAQRQPIGACVARIQALRQALC
1210	
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MmSFI1_5	-----
MmSFI1_2	AKELEAQRQPVGTCIARVRALRRALC-----
1184	
MmSFI1_1	ELSQEELPKSEDLHLEEQVKTELEEVELQVQQLAKELEAQRQPVGTCIARVRALRRALC--
1216	
MmSFI1_3	-----

## SCORE RESULTS FOR HOMO SAPIENS, MUS MUSCULUS AND PAN TROGLODYTES

<b>SeqA ♦</b>	<b>Name ♦</b>	<b>Length ♦</b>	<b>SeqB ♦</b>	<b>Name ♦</b>	<b>Length ♦</b>	<b>Score ♦</b>
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1	HsSFI1_1	1242	4	HsSFI1_4	1031	96.0
1	HsSFI1_1	1242	5	HsSFI1_5	991	100.0
1	HsSFI1_1	1242	6	HsSFI1_9	1187	100.0
1	HsSFI1_1	1242	7	HsSFI1_10	1148	100.0
1	HsSFI1_1	1242	8	MmSFI1_1	1216	64.0
1	HsSFI1_1	1242	9	MmSFI1_2	1184	64.0
1	HsSFI1_1	1242	10	MmSFI1_3	717	66.0
1	HsSFI1_1	1242	11	MmSFI1_4	120	56.0
1	HsSFI1_1	1242	12	MmSFI1_5	485	63.0
1	HsSFI1_1	1242	13	PtSFI1	1186	98.0
1	HsSFI1_1	1242	14	PtSFI1_1	1147	98.0
1	HsSFI1_1	1242	15	PtSFI1_3	1159	98.0
1	HsSFI1_1	1242	16	PtSFI1_8	1241	98.0
1	HsSFI1_1	1242	17	PtSFI110	1210	98.0
2	HsSFI1_2	1211	3	HsSFI1_3	1160	97.0
2	HsSFI1_2	1211	4	HsSFI1_4	1031	93.0
2	HsSFI1_2	1211	5	HsSFI1_5	991	96.0
2	HsSFI1_2	1211	6	HsSFI1_9	1187	100.0
2	HsSFI1_2	1211	7	HsSFI1_10	1148	97.0
2	HsSFI1_2	1211	8	MmSFI1_1	1216	62.0
2	HsSFI1_2	1211	9	MmSFI1_2	1184	62.0
2	HsSFI1_2	1211	10	MmSFI1_3	717	66.0
2	HsSFI1_2	1211	11	MmSFI1_4	120	56.0

2	HsSFI1_2	1211	12	MmSFI1_5	485	64.0
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2	HsSFI1_2	1211	14	PtSFI1_1	1147	95.0
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2	HsSFI1_2	1211	16	PtSFI1_8	1241	98.0
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3	HsSFI1_3	1160	4	HsSFI1_4	1031	96.0
3	HsSFI1_3	1160	5	HsSFI1_5	991	94.0
3	HsSFI1_3	1160	6	HsSFI1_9	1187	97.0
3	HsSFI1_3	1160	7	HsSFI1_10	1148	100.0
3	HsSFI1_3	1160	8	MmSFI1_1	1216	63.0
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3	HsSFI1_3	1160	10	MmSFI1_3	717	59.0
3	HsSFI1_3	1160	11	MmSFI1_4	120	13.0
3	HsSFI1_3	1160	12	MmSFI1_5	485	53.0
3	HsSFI1_3	1160	13	PtSFI1	1186	95.0
3	HsSFI1_3	1160	14	PtSFI1_1	1147	98.0
3	HsSFI1_3	1160	15	PtSFI1_3	1159	98.0
3	HsSFI1_3	1160	16	PtSFI1_8	1241	98.0
3	HsSFI1_3	1160	17	PtSFI110	1210	95.0
4	HsSFI1_4	1031	5	HsSFI1_5	991	77.0
4	HsSFI1_4	1031	6	HsSFI1_9	1187	93.0
4	HsSFI1_4	1031	7	HsSFI1_10	1148	94.0
4	HsSFI1_4	1031	8	MmSFI1_1	1216	59.0
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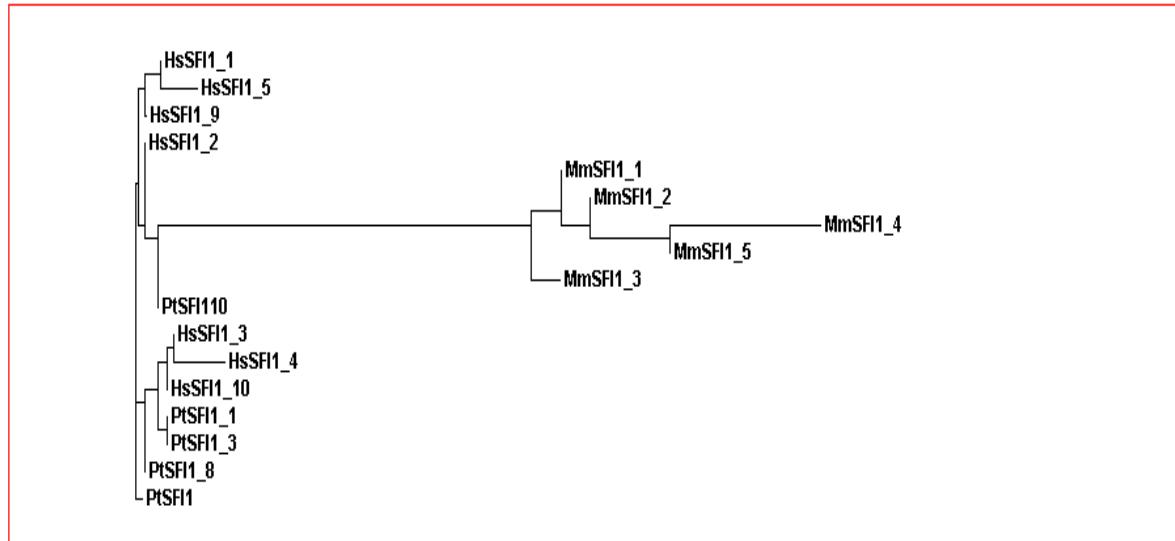
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4	HsSFI1_4	1031	13	PtSFI1	1186	90.0
4	HsSFI1_4	1031	14	PtSFI1_1	1147	93.0
4	HsSFI1_4	1031	15	PtSFI1_3	1159	94.0
4	HsSFI1_4	1031	16	PtSFI1_8	1241	93.0
4	HsSFI1_4	1031	17	PtSFI110	1210	90.0
5	HsSFI1_5	991	6	HsSFI1_9	1187	96.0
5	HsSFI1_5	991	7	HsSFI1_10	1148	94.0
5	HsSFI1_5	991	8	MmSFI1_1	1216	60.0
5	HsSFI1_5	991	9	MmSFI1_2	1184	58.0
5	HsSFI1_5	991	10	MmSFI1_3	717	40.0
5	HsSFI1_5	991	11	MmSFI1_4	120	36.0
5	HsSFI1_5	991	12	MmSFI1_5	485	58.0
5	HsSFI1_5	991	13	PtSFI1	1186	95.0
5	HsSFI1_5	991	14	PtSFI1_1	1147	92.0
5	HsSFI1_5	991	15	PtSFI1_3	1159	92.0
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5	HsSFI1_5	991	17	PtSFI110	1210	95.0
6	HsSFI1_9	1187	7	HsSFI1_10	1148	97.0
6	HsSFI1_9	1187	8	MmSFI1_1	1216	62.0
6	HsSFI1_9	1187	9	MmSFI1_2	1184	60.0
6	HsSFI1_9	1187	10	MmSFI1_3	717	63.0
6	HsSFI1_9	1187	11	MmSFI1_4	120	36.0
6	HsSFI1_9	1187	12	MmSFI1_5	485	59.0
6	HsSFI1_9	1187	13	PtSFI1	1186	98.0

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7	HsSFI1_10	1148	8	MmSFI1_1	1216	63.0
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7	HsSFI1_10	1148	13	PtSFI1	1186	95.0
7	HsSFI1_10	1148	14	PtSFI1_1	1147	98.0
7	HsSFI1_10	1148	15	PtSFI1_3	1159	98.0
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8	MmSFI1_1	1216	12	MmSFI1_5	485	93.0
8	MmSFI1_1	1216	13	PtSFI1	1186	62.0
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9	MmSFI1_2	1184	17	PtSFI110	1210	62.0
10	MmSFI1_3	717	11	MmSFI1_4	120	89.0
10	MmSFI1_3	717	12	MmSFI1_5	485	51.0
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11	MmSFI1_4	120	14	PtSFI1_1	1147	15.0
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15	PtSFI1_3	1159	17	PtSFI110	1210	97.0
16	PtSFI1_8	1241	17	PtSFI110	1210	100.0

**DENDOGRAM FOR HOMO SAPIENS, MUS MUSCULUS AND PAN TROGLODYTES**



**SEQUENCE ALIGNMENT RESULTS FOR SUS SCROFA, CANIS FAMILIARIS, RATTUS NOVERGICUS, CHLAMYDOMONAS REINHARDTII, SACCHAROMYCES CEREVISIAE AND DANIO RERIO**

CfsFI1 -----  
SsFI1 -----  
RnsFI1 -----  
DrSF11 -----  
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60  
ScsFI1 -----

CfsFI1 -----  
SsFI1 -----  
RnsFI1 -----  
DrSF11 -----  
CrsFI1 AAEVTVDKAHKGLGSGIVTLQSVLQAYEHVLPRHGVKADEDTYYRLLLKLSLDPALDW  
120  
ScsFI1 -----

CfsFI1 -----  
SsFI1 -----  
RnsFI1 -----  
DrSF11 -----  
CrsFI1 WIKLNRETGTTGGRAAFFSNAGSDVTSMGRSHSFYRGDTSPTRVQPRSGAGASDYSASH  
180  
ScsFI1 -----

CfsFI1 -----  
SsFI1 -----  
RnsFI1 -----  
DrSF11 -----  
CrsFI1 SAAPTFRSSIPGNGAADGGSRVPGRNSPYRSTASLSSMPGYQQQETAAQAAAREAAARA  
240  
ScsFI1 -----

CfsFI1 -----  
SsFI1 -----  
RnsFI1 -----  
DrSF11 -----  
CrsFI1 NAAAQAARDIAIEARQAAATAHLPSSRFMFNTPPMTPAMGPVPPPSARTEGGASGWGDGS  
300  
ScsFI1 -----

CfsFI1 -----  
SsFI1 -----  
RnsFI1 -----  
DrSF11 -----

CrSF11 MGGAGSIVPYSVSEGGATGPGGASQYGPGRYGPSPHGTAPSSVRGTYGISEHDPLSP  
360  
ScSF11 -----

CfSF11 -----  
SsFI1 -----  
RnSF11 -----  
DrSF11 -----  
CrSF11 DASAYGAGSRGTRSGGADGGSMGGAVGPGATRASSGGGGPGRVSAAQLAELDEPVLE  
420  
ScSF11 -----

CfSF11 -----  
SsFI1 -----  
RnSF11 -----  
DrSF11 -----  
CrSF11 EAEAYLDYNRLARAFRMWRKNTFARKASRFERDHALKNAVATSFWAVHLLRRCFARWRA  
480  
ScSF11 -----

CfSF11 -----  
SsFI1 -----  
RnSF11 -----  
DrSF11 -----  
CrSF11 EGPSKTALALQLWAGHSLSACFWRWLSLTRYLRKGTECDGHWRVRTLRRCLRMWRLYTR  
540  
ScSF11 -----

CfSF11 -----  
SsFI1 -----  
RnSF11 -----  
DrSF11 -----  
CrSF11 SQQLKADNVEKALGFVVGRLHICFRVWRQFAANQLRKNEAVQKAVGHWAGKSLRACFEV  
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ScSF11 -----

CfSF11 -----  
SsFI1 -----  
RnSF11 -----  
DrSF11 -----  
CrSF11 WREFTMLQQHKSVATARALRHWTGTLRSCFALWRLLVEDAHSNWDQATQHLMRRMLLK  
660  
ScSF11 -----

CfSF11 -----  
SsFI1 -----  
RnSF11 -----  
DrSF11 -----  
CrSF11 RIAAKQLTRMSAAYHAIADATARRVMSQAMRTLLSAHAFRHETANRLRAAVARMRNSLLS  
720  
ScSF11 -----

CfSFI1	-----
SsFII1	-----
RnSFI1	-----
DrsFI1	-----
CrsFI1	AAFNKWSEARQAGQMKRERMALALKWWSSRGLARSWNTWREAVAASQRATKAARANAQRI
780	
ScSFI1	-----
 CfSFI1	-----
SsFII1	-----
RnSFI1	-----
DrsFI1	-----
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840	
ScSFI1	-----
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59	
SsFII1	-----SNSRSFRDGAVKKPYSPKILSNKKCSAFPG
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RnSFI1	-----MEKKIGFRSFRGVVKPCSPKALPLKKSSAFSG
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DrsFI1	-----
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900	
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89	
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92	
DrsFI1	-----
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960	
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128	
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CrsFI1	VAKRMKLLAGLLYWEQQVKGRAWLAWRQRQHGWRRIKAAGGELAGRHWTRRLALCAVFL
1020	
ScSFI1	-----



RnSFI1 346	-----VLQIHFCDWQWAWEWRQSLSAHQALVAKLARKMVL-RRAFAHWKHYMLLQEEEA
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CrsFI1 1319	LRGRTGAAARALRAWRDEAEYRRRLDRYAMLASGSRHAAL-RRGLDMWRDYIANRASKK
ScsFI1 148	-----DLPKNGLRYDLNDISVEVIEDLYRQIEAFLVHFKLSRSFLQIFKNYVNILIQEG
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SsFI1 370	IWRKGAEHHRRCLLHFCFR-----ALKDNVT
RnSFI1 373	AQREAAAEEHHQHCLLHSCFR-----AFKDNVT
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ScsFI1 183	INPLRDEYFTILEDELKGFFTFN-----SVIEEILEIFLI
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DrsFI1 222	VAQNHHKFVLRFNLHHWKKRLAEHKKCQ-----EELRADACFAQ
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ScsFI1 261	RFANQAKLRVQEAVFYIWSDKTLKYSQMAN-----DEAESFRNT
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SsFI1 509	RALPAAFQAWRRLWQWRQQEQVLSA-----RAMCFHREMLEKQVFAWWCQKMSQRDY

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 512  
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 275  
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 1559  
 SCSFI1 WLLFRSFQQWITLTQTLKEQSRLAD-----QAFLNKMFRKILKAQEHWKHLETVNT  
 312

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 372

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 1679  
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 649  
 RnSFI1 GLALRMEEQQKLKRAALHSQRTLLHRALQKWLVYQDRMRSVLQEVAARE-----  
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 678

RnSFI1 681	-----RQHNRQLLWWVLHRWREN-----TMARLDGAKKT
DrsFI1 444	-----QEHEQHLVRRMFCLWRIN-----VLQLVEEREKE
CrsFI1 1799	REAVFEAGVSRGADVHEARLLARSWRGWRWATSEGRKAAALTAALNQAAALTAMGVWRRQ
ScsFI1 473	-----EANLVKRIFHSWKKL-----LYID
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SsFI1 738	SQAAHHYRRTLCFKVLMEMWREAASVQVYYRQQEDDAVREAQVVLSRGHLRTWFWRWDHS
RnSFI1 741	SQARVHYNRTLCSKVLVQWREVTSVKIYYRQKEAAALREARKALDRGRLRTWLQRWQCR
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RnSFI1 795	QREAQQTFRLQQAAQHHRQLLAGAMARWKAYHLCCVRKKFLQ-----RQAAQLLAQRL
DrsFI1 493	-----IYQVMK-----KRSFELHKLRT
CrsFI1 1919	IKRAVWVRKQRALAEALRRGGELVAARNAELMEIAFRGWRMQTGLREVTRRLRSIQGRT
ScsFI1 535	-----IQASAYRTWRKRIQYG-----KISSEHVKTAF
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580	
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694	
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RnSFI1 1010	VAAGEP-----FIPPELNEARPSRKQPRRPSFLLERVQSQRSPERCTLGEQQLQKTPEK
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ScsFI1 747	LKKFRER-----LLEIVKSEELADEVREEFVLVKTFYIWKTHLDEIFYMSTLLEQSEA
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DrsFI1 763	FPSVPSTFPSPLPSVPLTHNPLNSPAMVLQPKTLLKPDSPGCIATTSQDILLPPSTFTL
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DrsFI1 819	STAHSKQKYLRDGGPLLHSSHFTSRFFPTQALGLHERI---PEDEEEEDVDVEQTEENLTK
CrsFI1 2399	IDFTASRPGSGAGAGPATGGAYGYGGPAGRGP GTPRSQQFAQPAEPAYPDDSDGASTTSS
ScsFI1 860	FNLKHELKTPIRSDSQNASTIPGSERIKQHRMEAMKSH-----YSRARRAIPSPVKSS
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DrsFI1 853	ELLDIRLEMQRYQQDRKQLQTWRKLQK-----VLGNWLE
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RnSFI1	LS-----
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 CfsFI1	-----
SsFI1	-----
RnSFI1	-----
DrsFI1	-----
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SsFI1 -----  
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CfSFI1 -----  
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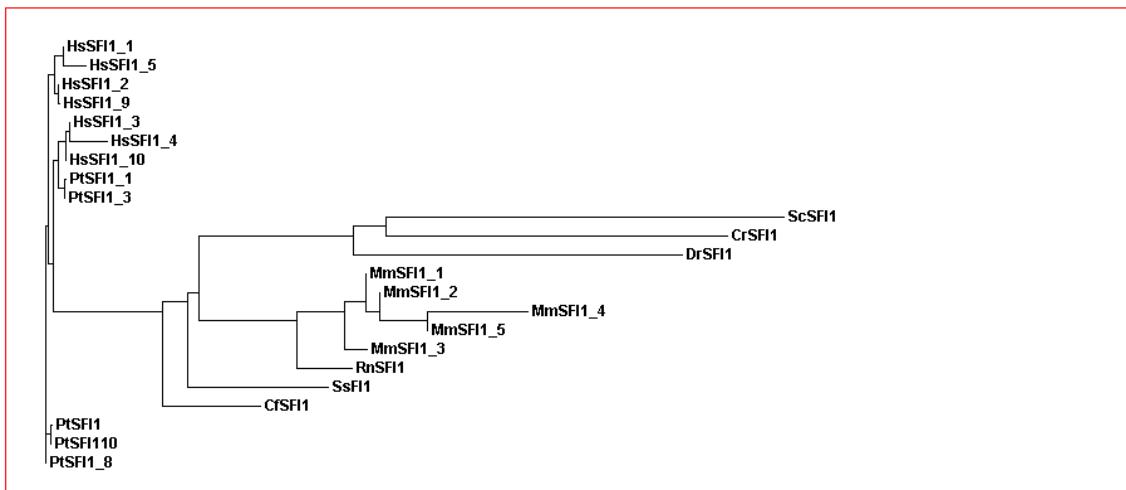
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CfSFI1 -----  
SsFI1 -----  
RnSFI1 -----  
DrSFI1 -----  
CrSFI1 GGLAPGLQACLRLGWRIRRNCNLDSGGTVTDSAYNRQAAPASVIQHPCL 2988  
ScSFI1 -----

**SCORE RESULTS FOR SUS SCROFA, CANIS FAMILIARIS, RATTUS NOVERGICUS,  
CHLAMYDOMONAS REINHARDTII, SACCHAROMYCES CEREVISIAE AND DANIO RERIO**

SeqA ↓	Name ↓	Length ↓	SeqB ↓	Name ↓	Length ↓	Score ↓
1	ScSFI1	946	2	CrSFI1	2988	11.0
1	ScSFI1	946	3	CfSFI1	1246	9.0
1	ScSFI1	946	4	SsF11	1213	9.0
1	ScSFI1	946	5	DrSFI1	921	10.0
1	ScSFI1	946	6	RnSFI1	1209	9.0
2	CrSFI1	2988	3	CfSFI1	1246	15.0
2	CrSFI1	2988	4	SsF11	1213	17.0
2	CrSFI1	2988	5	DrSFI1	921	14.0
2	CrSFI1	2988	6	RnSFI1	1209	18.0
3	CfSFI1	1246	4	SsF11	1213	69.0
3	CfSFI1	1246	5	DrSFI1	921	26.0
3	CfSFI1	1246	6	RnSFI1	1209	63.0
4	SsF11	1213	5	DrSFI1	921	26.0
4	SsF11	1213	6	RnSFI1	1209	61.0
5	DrSFI1	921	6	RnSFI1	1209	24.0

## DENDOGRAM RESULTS FOR ALL ORGANISMS



## HOMO SAPIENS SFI1'S CENTRIN BINDING SITES BELOW SEQUENCE ANALYSIS

Sfi1's Centrin binding site sequence name	Amino acids chain length
Bd_Site 1	27
Bd_Site 2	32
Bd_Site 3	33
Bd_Site 4	33
Bd_Site 5	27
Bd_Site 6	38
Bd_Site 7	34
Bd_Site 8	33
Bd_Site 9	48
Bd_Site 10	53
Bd_Site 11	35
Bd_Site 12	33
Bd_Site 13	33
Bd_Site 14	33
Bd_Site 15	33
Bd_Site 16	33
Bd_Site 17	33
Bd_Site 18	33
Bd_Site 19	33
Bd_Site 20	33
Bd_Site 21	25
Bd_Site 22	54
Bd_Site 23	82

## **AMINO ACID SEQUENCE FOR HSSFI1 CENTRIN BINDING SITES**

>Bd\_Site1

VFPS KARFYYEQRL LRKVFEWKE EWW

>Bd\_Site2

EWWVFQHEWK LCVRADCHYR YYLYNLMFQT WK

>Bd\_Site3

TYVRQQQE MRNKYIRAEV HDKQKMRQA WKSWL

>Bd\_Site4

IYVVV RRTKLQMQTTE ALEFRQRIIL RVWWSTWR

>Bd\_Site5

QR LGQVRVSRAL HASALKHRAL SLQVQ

>Bd\_Site6

AWSQW REQLLYVQKE KQKVSAVKH HQHWQKRRFL KAW

>Bd\_Site7

LEYLQVR RVKRQQNEMA ERFHHVTVLQ IYFCDWQ

>Bd\_Site8

QAW ERRESLYAHH AQVEKLARKM ALRRAFTHWK

>Bd\_Site9

HYMLLCHEEA AQFEMAEHH RHSQLYFCFR ALKDNVTHAH LQQIRRNL

>Bd\_Site10

AH QQHGVTLHR FWNLWRSQIE QKKERELLPL LHAWDHYRI ALLCKCIELW L

>Bd\_Site11

SQIE QKKERELLPL LHAWDHYRI ALLCKCIELW L

>Bd\_Site12

QYTQKRRYK QLLQARADGH FQQRALPAAF HTWN

>Bd\_Site13

RLWRWR HQENVLSARA TRFHRETLEK QVFSLWR

>Bd\_Site14

QKM FQHRENRLAE RMAILHAERQ LLYRSWFMWH

>Bd\_Site15

QQAAARHQEQ EWQTVACAHH RHGRLKKAF C LWR

>Bd\_Site16

ESAQGLR TERTGRVRAA EFHMAQLRW AWSQWR

>Bd\_Site17

ECLA LRGAERQKLM RADLHHQHSV LHRALQAWV

>Bd\_Site18

T YQGRVRSILR EVAARESQHN RQLLRGALRR WK

>Bd\_Site19

ENTMARVD EAKKTFQAST HYRRTICSKV LVQWR

>Bd\_Site20

EAVSV QMYYRQQEDC AIWEAQKVLD RGCLRTWF

>Bd\_Site21

QRLQLERAVQ HHHRQLLLEG LARWK

>Bd\_Site22

THHLQ CVRKRLLHRQ STQLLAQRLS RTCFRQWRQQ LAARRQEQR A TVRALWFWA

>Bd\_Site23

F SLQAKVWATW LAFVLERRRK KARLQWALQA YQGQLLQEGA TRLLRFAASM KASRQQLQAO  
QQVQAAHSLH RAVRRCATLW K

**SEQUENCE ALIGNMENT RESULTS FOR HOMO SAPIENS SFI1'S CENTRIN BINDING**  
**SITES BELOW SEQUENCE ANALYSIS**

Bd\_Site14 -----QKMFQHRENRL  
11  
Bd\_Site21 -----QRLQLER----  
7  
Bd\_Site6 -----AWSQWREQLLYVQKEKQ  
17  
Bd\_Site17 -----ECLALRGAERQ  
11  
Bd\_Site4 -----IYVVVRRTKLQ  
11  
Bd\_Site16 -----ESAQGLRTERT  
11  
Bd\_Site7 -----LEYLQVRRVKRQ  
12  
Bd\_Site9 -----HYMLLCAEAA  
11  
Bd\_Site10 -----AHQQHGVTLHRFWNLWRSQIEKKEREL  
29  
Bd\_Site11 -----SQIEKKEREL  
11  
Bd\_Site13 -----RLWRWRHQENV  
11  
Bd\_Site15 -----QQAAARHQEQE  
11  
Bd\_Site3 -----TYVRQQQEMRN  
11  
Bd\_Site12 -----QYTQKRRYKQL  
11  
Bd\_Site18 -----TYQGRVRSILR  
11  
Bd\_Site19 -----ENTMARVDEAK  
11  
Bd\_Site23 FSLQAKVWATWLAFVLERRKKARLQWALQAYQGQLLQEGATLLRFAASMKASRQQLQA  
60  
Bd\_Site8 -----QAWERRESLYA  
11  
Bd\_Site1 -----V  
1  
Bd\_Site2 -----EWWVFQH-EWK  
10  
Bd\_Site5 -----QRLGQVRVSRA  
11  
Bd\_Site22 -----THHLQCVRKRL  
11  
Bd\_Site20 -----EAVSVQMYYRQ  
11

Bd_Site14	AERMAILH--AERQLLYRSWFMWH-----	33
Bd_Site21	----AVQH--HHRQLLLEGALARWK-----	25
Bd_Site6	KVVS AVKH--HQHWQKRRFLKAW-----	38
Bd_Site17	KLMRADLH--HQHSV LHLRALQAWV-----	33
Bd_Site4	MOTT ALEF--RQRILRVWWSTWR-----	33
Bd_Site16	GRVRAAEF--HMAQLLRWAWSQWR-----	33
Bd_Site7	QNEMAERF--HHVTVLQIYFCDWQ-----	34
Bd_Site9	QFEMAEHH--HRHSQLYFCFRALKDNVTHAHLQQIRRN-----	48
Bd_Site10	LPLLHA AWDHYRIALLCKCIELWL-----	53
Bd_Site11	LPLLHA AWDHYRIALLCKCIELWL-----	35
Bd_Site13	LSARATRF--HRETLEKQVFSLWR-----	33
Bd_Site15	WQTVACAH--HRHGRLKKAFCLWR-----	33
Bd_Site3	KYIRAEVH--DAKQKMRQAWKSWL-----	33
Bd_Site12	LQARADGH--FQQRALPAAFHTWN-----	33
Bd_Site18	EVAARESQ--HNRQLLRGALRRWK-----	33
Bd_Site19	KTFQASTH--YRRTICSKVLVQWR-----	33
Bd_Site23	QQQVQAAH--SLHRAVRCATLWK-----	82
Bd_Site8	HHAQVEKL--ARKMALRRAFTHWK-----	33
Bd_Site1	FPSKARFY--YEQRLLRKVFEEWKEEWW-----	27
Bd_Site2	LCVRADCH--YRYYLYNLMFQTWK-----	32
Bd_Site5	LHASALKH----RALS LQVQ-----	27
Bd_Site22	LHRQSTQL--LAQRLSRTCFRQWRQQLAARRQEQRATVRALWFWA	54
Bd_Site20	QEDCAIWE--AQKVLDRGCLRTWF-----	33

**SCORE RESULTS FOR HOMO SAPIENS SFI1'S CENTRIN BINDING SITES BELOW**  
**SEQUENCE ANALYSIS**

SeqA ♦	Name ♦	Length ♦	SeqB ♦	Name ♦	Length ♦	Score ♦
1	Bd_Site1	27	2	Bd_Site2	32	22.0
1	Bd_Site1	27	3	Bd_Site3	33	11.0
1	Bd_Site1	27	4	Bd_Site4	33	11.0
1	Bd_Site1	27	5	Bd_Site5	27	7.0
1	Bd_Site1	27	6	Bd_Site6	38	7.0
1	Bd_Site1	27	7	Bd_Site7	34	11.0
1	Bd_Site1	27	8	Bd_Site8	33	18.0
1	Bd_Site1	27	9	Bd_Site9	48	11.0
1	Bd_Site1	27	10	Bd_Site10	53	22.0
1	Bd_Site1	27	11	Bd_Site11	35	22.0
1	Bd_Site1	27	12	Bd_Site12	33	22.0
1	Bd_Site1	27	13	Bd_Site13	33	22.0
1	Bd_Site1	27	14	Bd_Site14	33	14.0
1	Bd_Site1	27	15	Bd_Site15	33	18.0
1	Bd_Site1	27	16	Bd_Site16	33	18.0
1	Bd_Site1	27	17	Bd_Site17	33	11.0
1	Bd_Site1	27	18	Bd_Site18	33	18.0
1	Bd_Site1	27	19	Bd_Site19	33	18.0
1	Bd_Site1	27	20	Bd_Site20	33	18.0
1	Bd_Site1	27	21	Bd_Site21	25	20.0
1	Bd_Site1	27	22	Bd_Site22	54	22.0
1	Bd_Site1	27	23	Bd_Site23	82	14.0
2	Bd_Site2	32	3	Bd_Site3	33	12.0
2	Bd_Site2	32	4	Bd_Site4	33	6.0
2	Bd_Site2	32	5	Bd_Site5	27	3.0

2	Bd_Site2	32	6	Bd_Site6	38	18.0
2	Bd_Site2	32	7	Bd_Site7	34	9.0
2	Bd_Site2	32	8	Bd_Site8	33	9.0
2	Bd_Site2	32	9	Bd_Site9	48	15.0
2	Bd_Site2	32	10	Bd_Site10	53	15.0
2	Bd_Site2	32	11	Bd_Site11	35	15.0
2	Bd_Site2	32	12	Bd_Site12	33	25.0
2	Bd_Site2	32	13	Bd_Site13	33	28.0
2	Bd_Site2	32	14	Bd_Site14	33	6.0
2	Bd_Site2	32	15	Bd_Site15	33	12.0
2	Bd_Site2	32	16	Bd_Site16	33	15.0
2	Bd_Site2	32	17	Bd_Site17	33	18.0
2	Bd_Site2	32	18	Bd_Site18	33	9.0
2	Bd_Site2	32	19	Bd_Site19	33	21.0
2	Bd_Site2	32	20	Bd_Site20	33	9.0
2	Bd_Site2	32	21	Bd_Site21	25	24.0
2	Bd_Site2	32	22	Bd_Site22	54	9.0
2	Bd_Site2	32	23	Bd_Site23	82	9.0
3	Bd_Site3	33	4	Bd_Site4	33	9.0
3	Bd_Site3	33	5	Bd_Site5	27	14.0
3	Bd_Site3	33	6	Bd_Site6	38	18.0
3	Bd_Site3	33	7	Bd_Site7	34	18.0
3	Bd_Site3	33	8	Bd_Site8	33	15.0
3	Bd_Site3	33	9	Bd_Site9	48	15.0
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3	Bd_Site3	33	11	Bd_Site11	35	6.0

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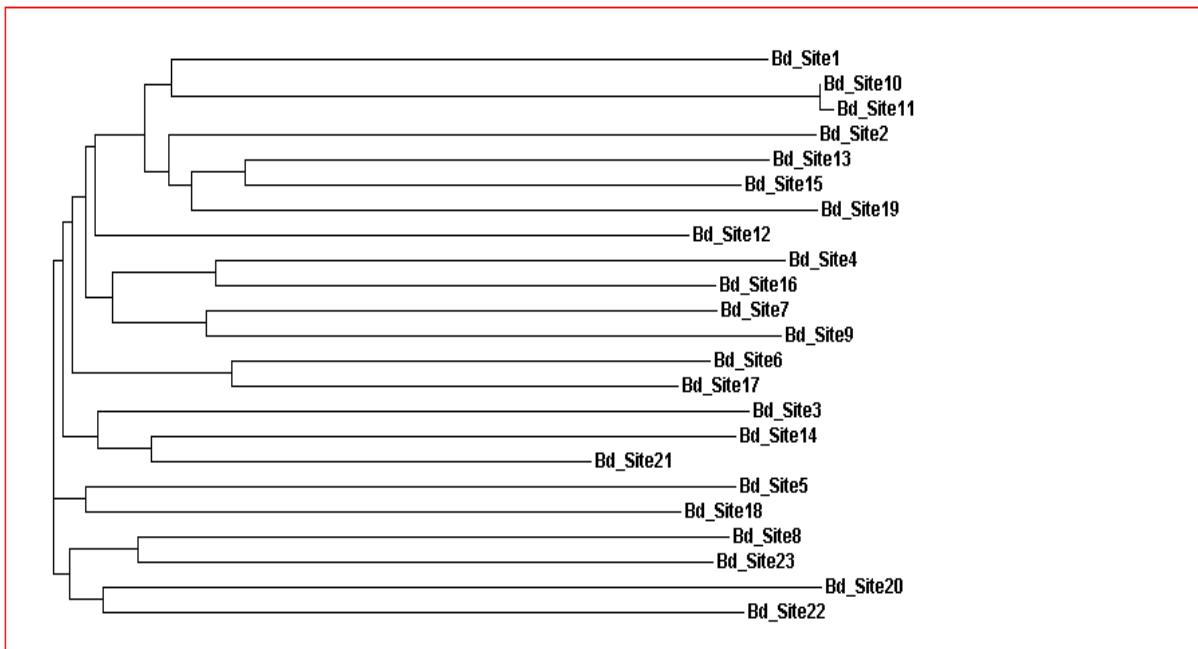
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## **DENDOGRAM RESULTS FOR HSSFI1 CENTRIN BINDING SITES**



## SUMMARY OF RESULTS

Sequence alignment results for centrin binding sites suggested sequence identity for most of their sequences, but there were low score results (3-36). Dendogram analysis suggested strong evolutionary relations between all the binding sites, but especially marked between binding sites 10 and 11. Sequence alignment results cannot be analyzed by all organisms in ClustalW, so they were divided into two groups. The first group included *Homo sapiens* (human), *Mus musculus* (mouse) and *Pan troglodytes* (chimpanzee). In general, the alignment suggested the presence of sequence identity, with a few conserved substitutions at 21 sites, involving positive charge and non-polar amino acids. Non conservative substitutions were found at 15 sites mostly of polar and non-polar amino acids. *Homo sapiens* and *Pan troglodytes* sequences were more similar between them, when compared with *Mus musculus* which presented amino acid substitutions. The score reports where higher between isoforms of the same organism: *Homo sapiens* (93-100), *Pan troglodytes* (97-100) and *Mus musculus* (89-100). In fact, scores reflected the similarity obtained before by sequence alignment, were *Homo sapiens* and *Pan troglodytes* have scores between 95 and 100. *Mus musculus* compared with the two organisms presented the lowest scores (13-66) being more related to *Pan troglodytes*. The dendrogram for these organisms showed that the most evolutionary related are *Homo sapiens* and *Pan troglodytes*, were *Mus musculus* is more distant from them. These results makes sense, because it is of popular knowledge that humans are more related to simians than to rodents, but in this project it was confirmed at the molecular level, not exclusively by phenotypes.

The second group of organisms analyzed included *Sus scrofa* (pig), *Canis familiaris* (dog), *Rattus norvegicus* (rat), *Chlamydomonas reinhardtii* (algae), *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* (yeast) and *Danio rerio* (fish). In this particular analysis the presence of a lot of gaps at the beginning and at the end of the alignment suggested more divergence between these organisms. In spite of that, there were several conserved substitutions at 54 sites in positive and aromatic amino acids and non-conserved sequences at 54 sites too, but between several types of amino acids. Score results

showed only a limited analysis were most similarity were presented by *Canis familiaris* with *Sus scrofa* (69), *Canis familiaris* with *Rattus norvegicus* (63) and *Sus scrofa* with *Rattus norvegicus* (61). For the rest of organisms scores were lower (9-26) and less similar. ClustalW cannot establish an dendogram for this second group of organisms, so a dendogram containing all the organisms were performed and like the analysis of the first group of organisms, it showed *Homo sapiens* and *Pan troglodytes* as the more evolutionary related then *Canis familiaris* with *Sus scrofa*. *Rattus norvegicus* was more related to *Mus musculus* and *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* with *Chlamydomonas reinhardtii*. Interestingly, *Danio rerio*, was related to *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* and *Chlamydomonas reinhardtii*, that were more evolutionary distant from the rest of the organisms.

### CONCLUSIONS

ClustalW permitted the analysis of Sfi1 protein between diverse organisms. The alignment suggested sequence homology for most part of each sequence, and it is true for those with similar length and for very close organisms. In fact sequence homology is particularly related to similar protein functions. Scores showed how similar or different organisms are by giving a number, that indicates sequence identity. These results were confirmed by dendograms where organisms can be classified in distant or more evolutionary related.

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