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# Microarray data analyses of yeast RNA Pol I subunit RPA12 deletion strain

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## ABSTRACT

The ribosomal RNA (rRNA) biosynthesis is the most energy consuming process in all living cells and the majority of total transcription activity is dedicated for synthesizing rRNA. The cells may adjust the synthesis of rRNA with the availability of resources. rRNA is mainly synthesized by RNA polymerase I that is composed of 14 subunits. Deletion of RPA12, 14, 39 and 49 are viable. RPA12 is a very small protein (13.6 kDa), and the amount of protein in the cells is very high (12,000 molecules per cell), but the role of this protein is unknown in other cellular metabolic processes (Kulak et al., 2014 [1]). RPA12 consists of two zinc-binding domains and it is required for the termination of rRNA synthesis (Mullem et al., 2002 [2]). Deletions of *RPA12* in *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* and *Schizosaccharomyces pombe* cause a conditional growth defect (Nogi et al., 1993 [3]). In *S. pombe*, *C*-terminal deletion behaves like wild-type (Imazawa et al., 2001 [4]). This prompted us to investigate in detail the physiological role of RPA12 in *S. cerevisiae*, we performed the microarray of *rpa12*  $\Delta$  strain and deposited into Gene Expression Omnibus under GSE68731. The analysis of microarray data revealed that the expression of major cellular metabolism genes is high. The amino acid biosynthesis, nonpolar lipid biosynthesis and glucose metabolic genes are highly expressed. The analyses also revealed that the *rpa12*  $\Delta$  cells have an uncontrolled synthesis of cell metabolites, so RPA12 could be a master regulator for whole cellular metabolism.

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#### Specifications Organism/cell Saccharomyces cerevisiae Wild-type (BY4741) and rpa12∆ line/tissue strain Sequencer or array Affymetrix Yeast Genome 2.0 Array type Data format Raw data (CEL file) Experimental Wild-type Vs $rpa12\Delta$ cells factors Experimental Identification of genes that are regulated through RPA12 features Consent Publicly available from NCBI GEO

 
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 Sample source
 Yeast deletion strains are maintained in CSIR-CFTRI, location

 Mysore-570020, Karnataka

#### 1. Direct link to deposited data

The data are available at the GEO database under: http://www.ncbi. nlm.nih.gov/geo/query/acc.cgi?acc=GSE68731.

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#### 2. Experimental design, materials and methods

### 2.1. Experimental design

Wild-type and  $rpa12\Delta$  cells were grown to stationary phase in a synthetic complete medium. Stationary phase cells were used for RNA extraction and hybridization on Affymetric microarrays. We used microarrays to study the effect of RPA12 deletion on the cellular metabolism of yeast and identified that distinct class of genes were upregulated in  $rpa12\Delta$  strain.

#### 2.2. Materials

- Yeast wild-type and deletion strains: Euroscarf
- TRIzol: Invitrogen, Cat. No. 10-296-028
- Synthetic complete media
- Yeast nitrogenous base: Difco
- Yeast drop-out: Sigma-Aldrich

#### 2.3. Sample preparation

Wild-type and  $rpa12\Delta$  cells were first inoculated in yeast extract, peptone and 2% dextrose (YPD) medium. Stationary phase cells were subcultured in a synthetic complete (SC) medium containing 2% dextrose as a carbon source along with kanamycin (50 µg/ml) at 30 °C [5].

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After 24 h, the cells were pelleted and washed with phosphate-buffered saline to remove the remaining medium. Total RNA was isolated from both the samples using TRIzol. These samples were hybridized to the Affymetrix Yeast Genome 2.0 Array according to the manufacturer's instructions.

#### 2.4. Statistical analysis of the microarray data

All the original microarray data or raw data (CEL file) were first normalized using the Robust Multiarray Average (RMA) method [6] that consisted of three steps: a background adjustment, quantile normalization and finally summarization. All above procedures were done by RMA algorithm in Gene springGx11.5 software from Agilent technologies. The genes of low intensity information content in each data set were filtered as follows: first, the probes of intensities <20.0 percentile in the raw data were excluded and then the probes whose intensities' coefficient of variation (CV) < 50.0% at least 1 out of 4 types remained. In differential gene expression (DGE) analyses, we identified many genes involved in cellular metabolism are differentially expressed in  $rpa12\Delta$  strain. Normalized data were filtered for probe sets between 20 and 100 percentile. Fold change (FC) analysis was performed in Gene Spring 11.0 using the threshold FC  $\geq$  1.0 and FC  $\geq$  2.0. Fold change  $\geq$  2.0 was selected because the number of gene lists were large in FC  $\geq$  1.0.

#### 3. Results

To identify the RPA12-regulated genes, the expression profiles of  $rpa12\Delta$  strain with wild-type (BY4741) were compared. On the basis

of microarray data analyses, we observed that there are significant changes in the gene expression profile in  $rpa12\Delta$  as compared to wild-type. Expression of amino acid, lipid and carbohydrate metabolism genes is also high. The upregulation of all metabolic genes in  $rpa12\Delta$  strain suggested that RPA12 could be a master regulator of whole cellular metabolism.

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