

Table 3. Mating type-specific genes from fission yeast

Common name	Systematic name	Mutant phenotype	Known mating-type specific	Description
M specific				
<i>mfm1</i>	<i>SPAPB8E5.05</i>	M specific sterility Redundant with <i>mfm2</i> and <i>mfm3</i>	Yes	M factor pheromone precursor
<i>mfm2</i>	<i>SPAC513.03</i>	M specific sterility Redundant with <i>mfm1</i> and <i>mfm3</i>	Yes	M factor pheromone precursor
<i>mfm3</i>	<i>SPBPJ4664.03</i>	M specific sterility Redundant with <i>mfm1</i> and <i>mfm2</i>	Yes	M factor pheromone precursor
<i>mam1</i>	<i>SPBC25B2.02c</i>	M specific sterility	Yes	ABC transporter, probably transports M factor
<i>mam2</i>	<i>SPAC11H11.04</i>	M specific sterility	Yes	P factor pheromone receptor
<i>sxa2</i>	<i>SPAC1296.03c</i>	M specific sterility	Yes	Secreted protease, down-regulates P factor
<i>mam4</i>	<i>SPAC10F6.12c</i>	M specific sterility	Reported not M specific	Farnesyl cysteine carboxyl methyltransferase, required for the M factor pheromone processing
<i>cwp1</i>	<i>SPAPB1A10.04c</i>	Essential (this work)	No	Geranylgeranyltransferase (alpha subunit)
	<i>SPAPB1A10.02</i>	Essential (this work)	No	Sequence orphan
<i>mam3</i>	<i>SPAP11E10.02c</i>	M specific sterility (this work)	No	Predicted glycoprotein, similar to <i>SPBC21D10.06c</i> (P specific)
	<i>SPAC11H11.03c</i>	Normal mating	No	Contains SMR (Small MutS-Related) domain
	<i>SPAC11H11.05c</i>	Normal mating	No	Sequence orphan
P specific				
<i>map2</i>	<i>SPCC1795.06</i>	P specific sterility	Yes	P factor pheromone precursor
<i>map3</i>	<i>SPAC3F10.10c</i>	P specific sterility	Yes	M factor pheromone receptor
<i>map4</i>	<i>SPBC21D10.06c</i>	P specific sterility (this work)	No	Predicted glycoprotein, similar to <i>SPAP11E10.02c</i> (M specific)
	<i>SPAC1565.03</i>	Normal mating	No	Sequence orphan

Mating type-specific genes were identified as described in the text. Genes shown in orange were not previously known to be specifically induced in a mating type-specific fashion. Mutant phenotypes and descriptions were compiled by using information from GeneDB (www.genedb.org), PombePD (www.proteome.com), and our own literature searches. Column four indicates whether mating type-specific expression previously had been studied. *SPAP11E10.02c* and *SPBC21D10.06c* have been independently identified and named *mam3* and *map4*, respectively (M. Yamamoto, personal communication).