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(54) **COMPOUNDS AND METHOD OF USE AS ANTI-INFECTION COMPOUNDS AND THERAPEUTIC AGENTS TO REGULATE CHOLESTEROL METABOLISM**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A compound is provided which comprises at least a portion of an amino acid linker-domain from squalene synthase. In alternative forms, the compound can include the amino-acid linker-domain from various fungus, including *S. cerevisiae* or the compound can be the functional equivalent and/or mimics an amino acid linker-domain from squalene synthase. A pharmaceutical composition includes the compound and may further include a pharmaceutical carrier. A method is provided for treating or controlling cholesterol metabolism and ergosterol metabolism in non-fungal organisms. One method includes a therapeutic treatment in humans by administering a therapeutically effective amount of the compound or pharmaceutical composition, to a patient in need of treatment, therefrom.

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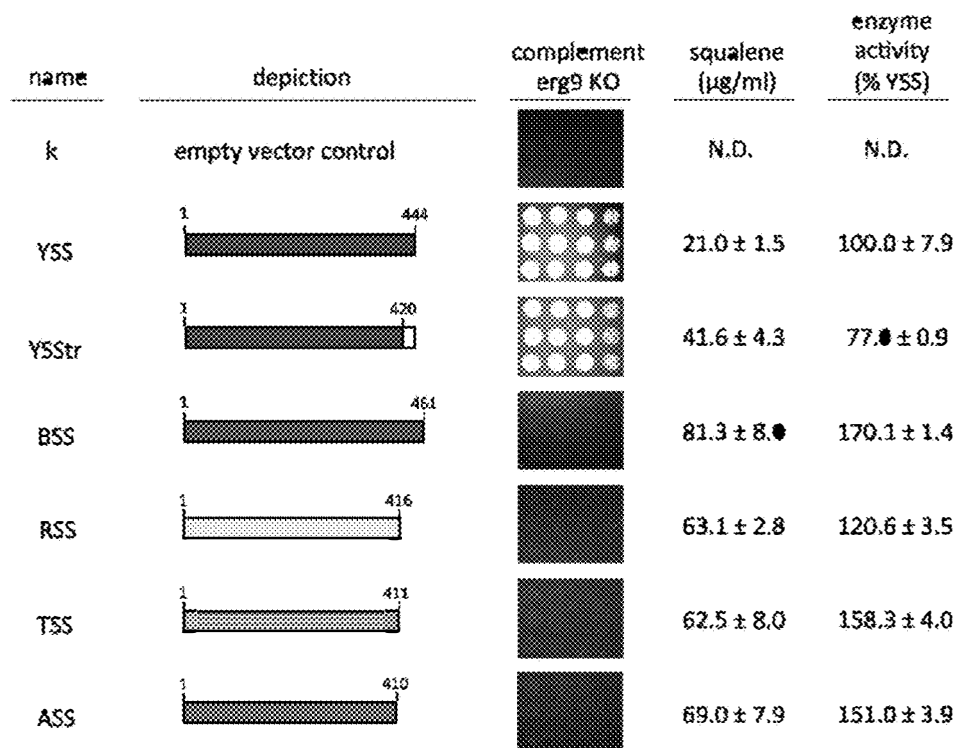


FIGURE 1

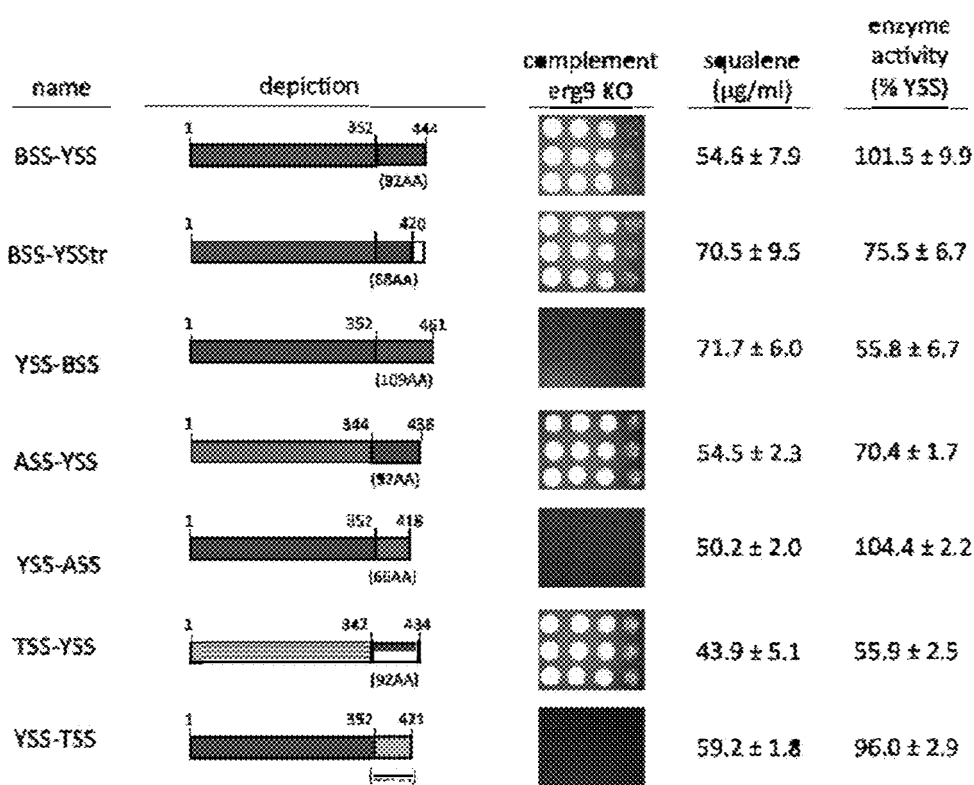


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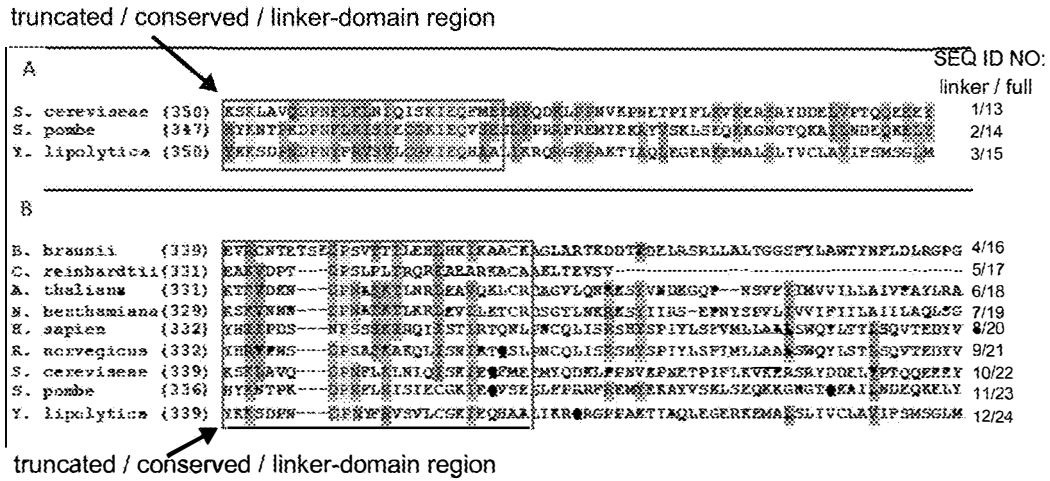


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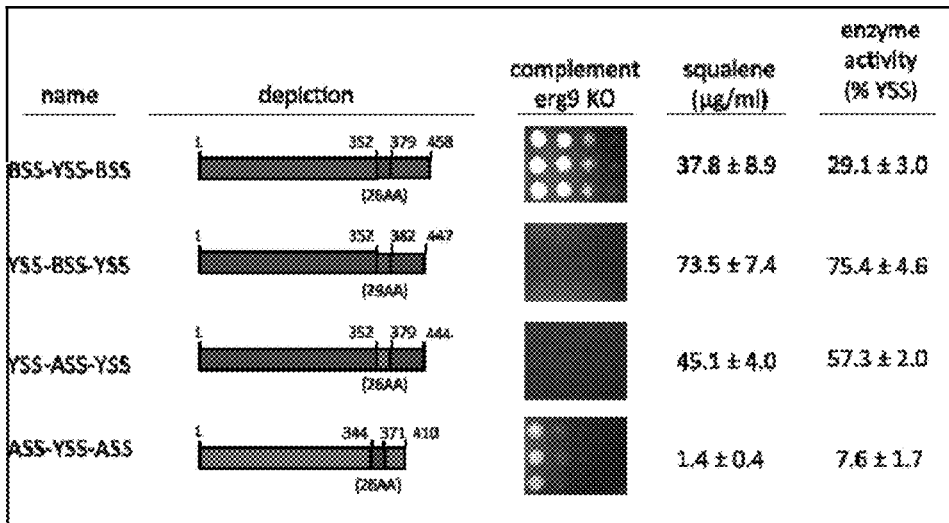


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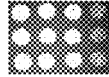








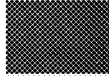


name	depiction	complement erg9 KO	squalene ( $\mu\text{g/ml}$ )	enzyme activity (% YSS)
Native YSS			21.8 $\pm$ 1.5	108.0 $\pm$ 7.5
M(a)	KTKVDKNDPNASKLNIQISKIEQFME (SEQ ID NO: 25)		65.4 $\pm$ 3.1	160.5 $\pm$ 3.8
M(b)	KSKLAVQDPNFKLTILNRLEAVQKLCR (SEQ ID NO: 26)		46.6 $\pm$ 9.7	152.7 $\pm$ 1.6
M(c)	KSKLAVQDPNFKLNIQISAVQKFME (SEQ ID NO: 27)		28.0 $\pm$ 1.3	156.1 $\pm$ 5.8
M(d)	KSKLAVQDPNASKTILNRISKIEQFME (SEQ ID NO: 28)		50.7 $\pm$ 13.5	161.8 $\pm$ 5.3
M(e)	KSKLAVQDPNASKTILNRLEAVQKFME (SEQ ID NO: 29)		69.1 $\pm$ 7.1	123.1 $\pm$ 6.0
Native ASS			69.0 $\pm$ 7.9	151.0 $\pm$ 3.9
M(f)	KSKLAVQDPNFKLTILNRLEAVQKLCR (SEQ ID NO: 30)		82.8 $\pm$ 10.3	137.4 $\pm$ 8.6
M(g)	KTKVDKNDPNASKLNIQISKIEQFME (SEQ ID NO: 31)		47.9 $\pm$ 6.0	151.4 $\pm$ 4.0
M(h)	KTKVDKNDPNASKTILNRLEKIEQLCR (SEQ ID NO: 32)		64.9 $\pm$ 8.9	166.1 $\pm$ 1.3
M(i)	KTKVDKNDPNFKLNIQLEAVQKLCR (SEQ ID NO: 33)		85.2 $\pm$ 5.6	170.8 $\pm$ 1.2
M(j)	KTKVDKNDPNFKLNIQISKIEQLCR (SEQ ID NO: 34)		41.7 $\pm$ 1.6	159.7 $\pm$ 5.8

FIGURE 5

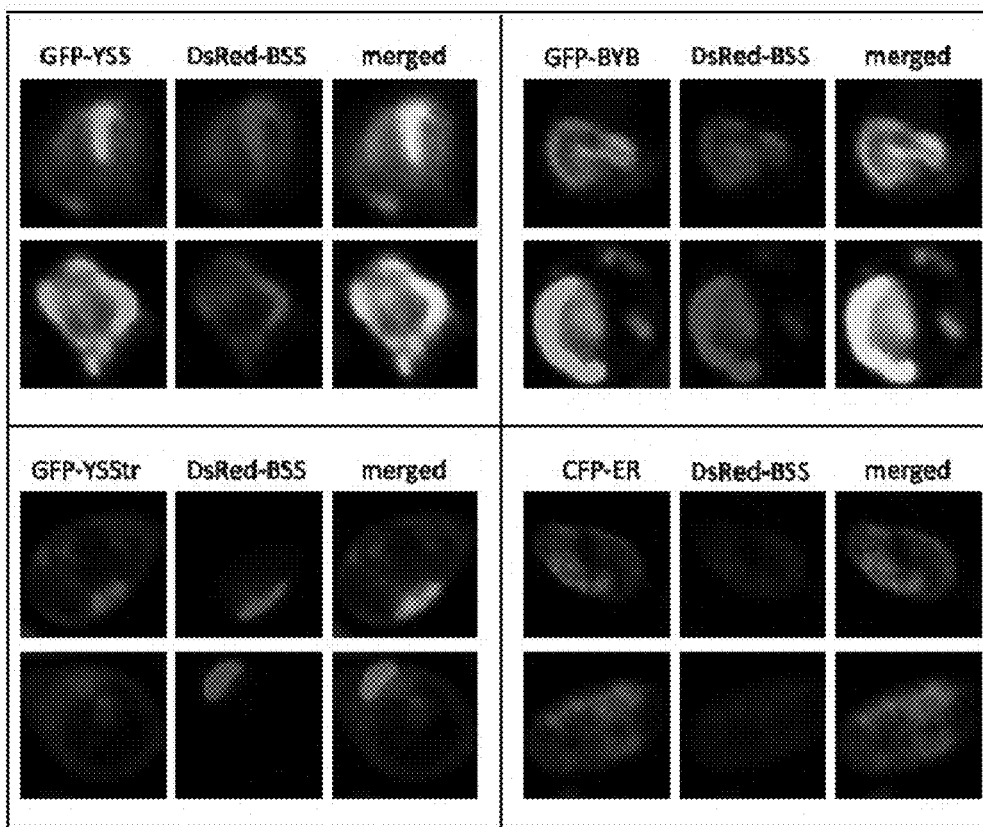


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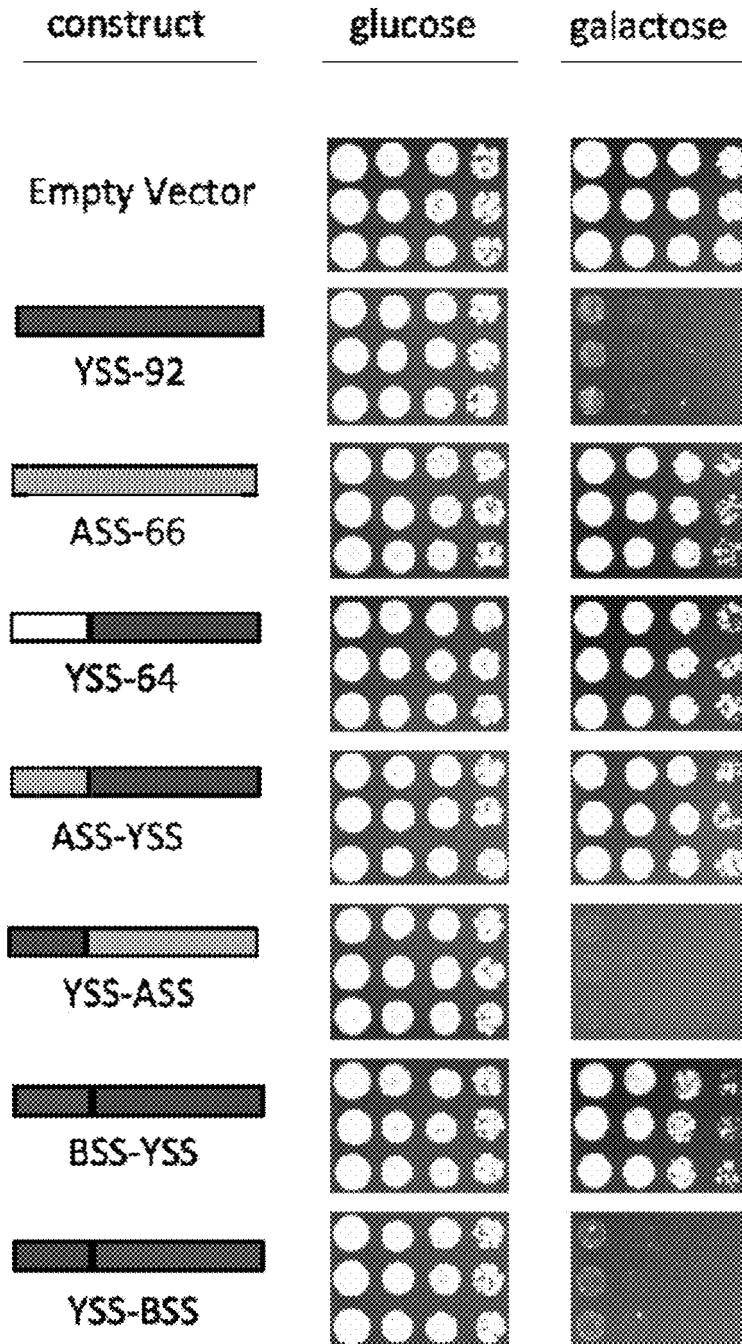


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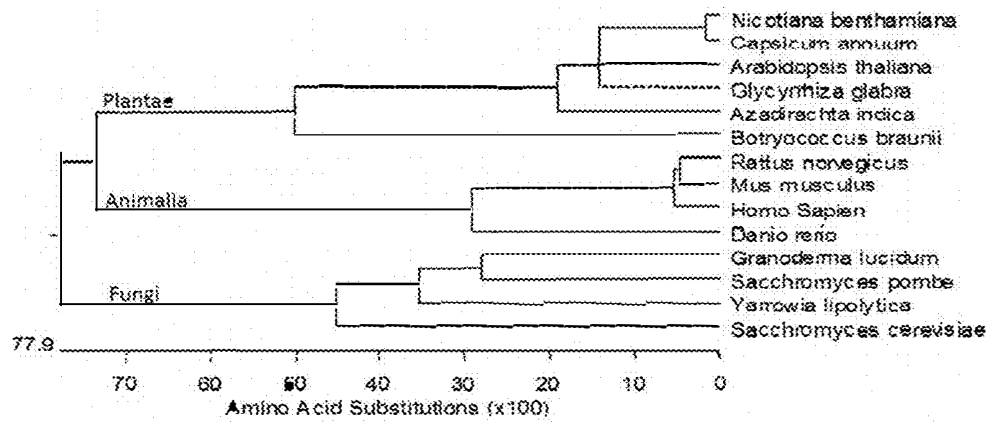


FIGURE 8

**COMPOUNDS AND METHOD OF USE AS  
ANTI-INFECTION COMPOUNDS AND  
THERAPEUTIC AGENTS TO REGULATE  
CHOLESTEROL METABOLISM**

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED  
APPLICATION

This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 61/814,067, filed Apr. 19, 2013, herein incorporated by reference.

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

The presently disclosed subject matter relates to novel compounds and methods and systems for unique infection control reagents and new therapeutics. In one example, the presently disclosed subject matter related to novel compounds and methods and systems for unique ergosterol control reagents, new therapeutics to regulate sterol metabolism in humans and plants, and herbicide compositions. The novel compounds include a functional domain from squalene synthases, e.g. from *S. cerevisiae*, such as a 26 amino acid linker-domain. Alternatively, the compounds can include a portion that mimic the 26 amino acid linker-domain. These compounds can be formulated into anti-fungal compounds. The present invention also relates to therapeutic agents for controlling cholesterol metabolism and ergosterol metabolism in non-fungal organisms based on the aforementioned and other novel compounds which include a peptide sequence from a linker domain of squalene synthase (e.g. the 26 amino acid) linker-domain from *S. cerevisiae* or sequences which mimics the domain. Some of the therapeutic agents may be herbicides.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

The first squalene synthase (SS) gene to be functionally characterized was isolated from *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* and cloned concurrently by the Karst and Robinson groups (1,2). Both groups utilized the strategy of screening *S. cerevisiae* genomic library clones for their ability to functionally complement a squalene synthase (erg9)-deficient yeast line. Interestingly, Jennings, et al. (2) found that a genomic clone containing only a partial SS gene fragment was able to restore ergosterol prototrophy even though it only restored 5% of the normal level of SS enzyme activity. This finding suggested that low levels of SS enzyme activity were sufficient to complement the erg9 deficiency in yeast. Soon afterwards, Robinson, et al. (3) attempted to clone the SS gene from *Homo sapiens* and *S. pombe* using the same strategy, but isolated only the *S. pombe* gene by screening for complementation of the erg9-deficient line (3). Having two SS genes from two species of fungi, these investigators were able to identify conserved regions within the deduced protein sequences to which they designed degenerate primers and cloned the human SS homolog using PCR (3). Robinson, et al. (3) confirmed that the human squalene synthase gene was unable to restore ergosterol prototrophy to the erg9-deficient yeast line, but a chimera SS gene constructed by combining a 5' region of the human gene containing the putative catalytic domain with a 3' region of the *S. cerevisiae* gene containing a membrane-anchoring domain was able to complement the erg9 deficiency. Robinson, et al. (3) suggested that the inability of human SS to functionally complement the erg9-deficient yeast line was due to problems with expression or stability of the human

protein in *S. cerevisiae*. A few years later, Soltis, et al. (4) isolated a similar allele of the human squalene synthase gene by screening a human cDNA library with a rat squalene synthase gene probe. These investigators also determined that the human squalene synthase gene was not able to complement an erg9 deficiency in yeast. They were, however, able to document expression of the human squalene synthase gene in yeast by recording the corresponding protein by immuno-blotting methodology, as well as measuring inducible enhancement of SS enzyme activity. This result conflicted with the notion that a heterologously expressed SS was not able to complement the erg9 deficiency in yeast because of problems with transgene expression or protein stability in yeast, and Soltis, et al. (4) hypothesized that structural differences in the carboxy-termini of the yeast and human SS may affect localization or folding of the proteins in association with intracellular membranes.

The first plant SS was cloned from *Arabidopsis* (5) and soon after from *Nicotiana benthamiana* (6). Nakashima, et al. (5) failed to isolate an *Arabidopsis* SS gene by screening for complementation of an erg9 deficient yeast line, and instead screened plaques of an *Arabidopsis* cDNA library with a mouse squalene synthase cDNA probe. Hanley, et al. (6) used a degenerate primer/PCR approach to isolate a *N. benthamiana* SS, and likewise noted that the tobacco SS gene was unable to restore growth when expressed in an erg9 deficient yeast strain. Later, Kribii et al. (7) reported that the *Arabidopsis* genome contained two highly homologous SS genes organized in a tandem array. This group confirmed that the *Arabidopsis* SS could not complement the erg9 (SS gene) disruption in yeast, but they measured significant SS enzyme activity in the microsomal fraction of these yeast. These investigators went on to show that a chimeric *Arabidopsis* SS gene containing a substitution corresponding to the 66 carboxy-terminal amino acids of *Arabidopsis* SS with 111 carboxy-terminal amino acids of the *S. pombe* SS were sufficient to restore prototrophic growth of the erg9 knockout in yeast without exogenous sterol. Radiolabeling studies were also performed with [<sup>3</sup>H]-FPP fed to microsomes isolated from yeast expressing either the full length *Arabidopsis* SS or the *Arabidopsis*-*S. pombe* chimera SS genes, or from wild type yeast. Radiolabel was incorporated by either the wild type yeast microsomes or microsomes from the erg9-deficient yeast over-expressing the *Arabidopsis*-*S. pombe* chimera SS into squalene, squalene-2,3-epoxide, and lanosterol. However, when [<sup>3</sup>H]-FPP was incubated with microsomes from erg9 deficient yeast expressing the full length *Arabidopsis* SS, only radiolabeled squalene was detected. No SS enzyme activity was detectable in the cytosolic (soluble) fractions of these yeast lines. These results strongly suggested that active SS was being expressed and targeted to membrane in all the constructs tested; however, the carboxy-terminal 111 amino acids of *S. pombe* were necessary for channeling of squalene into the ergosterol biosynthetic pathway (7).

In 2000, another fungal squalene synthase was isolated from *Yarrowia lipolytica* using a degenerate primer approach (8). The *Y. lipolytica* SS was found to complement an erg9 deficient yeast line, albeit the complemented yeast grew slower than the yeast complemented with the *S. cerevisiae* SS gene. Altogether, this result and those of the other investigators demonstrated that at least three different fungal SS could complement the erg9 knockout in *S. cerevisiae*, but no other SS isolated from animal or plant could accomplish this task.

In 2008, Busquets, et al. (9) reported that of the two annotated SS genomic sequences in *Arabidopsis*, only one coded for a functional SS enzyme. Busquets, et al. also performed some fluorescence microscopy experiments to determine the intracellular location of *Arabidopsis* SS (9). GFP was tagged to the N-terminus of a full length SS, a SS lacking the equivalent of the carboxy-terminal 67 amino acids, or the GFP was fused directly to a gene fragment corresponding to that encoding for the carboxy-terminal 67 amino acids of the SS. All three constructs were transiently co-expressed in onion epidermal cells with an ER-targeted version of DsRed. Both the GFP linked to the full length SS and the carboxy-terminal 67 amino acids of SS co-localized with DsRed, which indicated that these two SS enzymes were localized to the ER membrane. The GFP-SS fusion lacking the carboxy-terminal 67 amino acids appeared localized to only the cytosol. These authors concluded that the membrane-spanning region at the carboxy-terminus of SS was critical for correct targeting of SS to the ER membrane (9).

These results and the present inventors' observations that the algal *Botryococcus braunii* SS also could not complement the *erg9* mutant in yeast suggested that it was not simply targeting of squalene synthase enzyme activity to the ER membrane of yeast that was important. Some additional protein domain within the carboxy-terminal region of the yeast squalene synthase was necessary to facilitate the complementation phenotype.

#### BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

FIG. 1 illustrates various full length and carboxy-terminally truncated squalene synthase genes expressed in yeast line CALI7-1 to test for their ability to complement an *erg9* deletion. Terminal truncations are indicated by a lack of gray shading in the linear boxed enzyme model with the specific amino acid coordinates labeled above each. The squalene synthases tested are those of *S. cerevisiae* (YSS), *B. braunii* (BSS), *R. norvegicus* (RSS), *N. benthamiana* (TSS), and *A. thaliana* (ASS). For the *erg9* complementation tests, three independent CALI7-1 transformants of each construct were randomly selected and grown in 2 mL Yeast Synthetic Drop-out media (Sigma) containing 5 mg/L ergosterol at 28° C. for three days, after which the culture was serially diluted with water to optical densities (600 nm) equal to 1, 0.2, 0.04, and 0.008, and 5  $\mu$ L of each dilution spotted onto Yeast Synthetic Drop-out media plates without any exogenous ergosterol. Plates were incubated at 28° C. for 72 hours. Liquid cultures of each construct were also transformed into TN-7 (CALI7-1 containing an additional mutation to knock-out the squalene epoxidase gene, hence the genotype of TN-7 is *erg9, erg1*) were grown in 10 mL of Yeast Synthetic Drop-out media containing 5 mg/L ergosterol at room temperature for seven days. Organic extracts were prepared and analyzed by GC-MS for their squalene content. To validate each gene construct, the squalene synthase enzyme activity encoded by each gene was assessed when the gene was expressed in Cali7-1 yeast. Briefly, 2,000 $\times$ g supernatants were prepared and used in enzyme assays containing 3H-FPP and radiolabeled products separated by TLC and analyzed. Enzyme activity (pmoles/h/ $\mu$ g total protein) is recorded as a percent of squalene synthase activity measured when the YSS gene was expressed in the yeast line. (n=3).

FIG. 2 shows the carboxy-terminal amino acids of YSS are necessary and sufficient when appended to heterologous squalene synthase genes to confer ergosterol prototrophic growth to an *erg9* knockout yeast line. Constructs were

created by reciprocal swapping of the DNA sequences coding for the 91 carboxy-terminal amino acids of YSS with the corresponding DNA segments of the algal (BSS, *Botryococcus* squalene synthase) and plant (ASS and TSS, *Arabidopsis* and tobacco squalene synthase) genes. An additional 24 amino acid truncation of the YSS carboxy domain is indicated by a lack of color in the linear enzyme model. Each construct is annotated with the specific amino acids labeled above each depiction. Constructs were independently transformed into a yeast *erg9* knockout line, and three independent transformants for each construct were randomly selected for growth in Yeast Synthetic Drop-out media containing 5 mg/l ergosterol. After three days, each culture was serially diluted with water to OD<sub>600</sub>=1, 0.2, 0.04, and 0.008, and 5  $\mu$ L of each dilution spotted on Yeast Synthetic Drop-out media plates lacking ergosterol. Plates were incubated at 28° C. for 72 h. Liquid cultures of each transformant in TN-7 line were grown in 10 mL of Yeast Synthetic Drop-out media containing 5 mg/L ergosterol at room temperature for seven days. Organic extracts were prepared and analyzed by GC-MS for their squalene content. To validate each gene construct, the squalene synthase enzyme activity encoded by each gene was assessed when the gene was expressed in Cali-7 yeast. Briefly, 2000 $\times$ g supernatants were prepared and used in enzyme assays containing 3H-FPP and radiolabeled products separated by TLC and analyzed. Enzyme activity (pmoles/h/ $\mu$ g total protein) is recorded as a percent of squalene synthase activity measured when the YSS gene was expressed in the yeast line. (n=3).

FIG. 3 shows the amino acid alignment of the *B. braunii* (AF205791), *C. reinhardtii* (XM\_001703395), *A. thaliana* (NM\_119630), *N. benthamiana* (U46000.1), *H. sapien* (NM\_004462), and *R. norvegicus* (NM\_019238) squalene synthases relative to those for *S. cerevisiae* (X59959), *S. pombe* (NM\_001021271), and *Y. lipolytica* (AF092497) (Bottom Portion, B) as SEQ ID NOS: 13-24. The alignment is limited to the sequences corresponding to the 67 amino acid domain of the *S. cerevisiae* squalene synthase that are necessary and sufficient to restore ergosterol prototrophy to *erg9* deficient yeast. The region boxed and identified as the truncated/conserved/linker-domain region corresponds to a stretch of 26 amino acids (SEQ ID NOS.: 1-12, respectively) that appear more conserved than other regions, and particularly well conserved amongst the fungal squalene synthase's (Top portion, A) of SEQ ID NOS: 13-24, respectively.

FIG. 4 shows functional assessment of the role a 26 amino acid peptide sequence within fungal squalene synthases plays in facilitating the complementation of the *erg9* mutant. Reciprocal constructs were created by swapping the indicated 26 amino acids of the yeast squalene synthase (YSS) for the corresponding amino acids of an algal squalene synthase (BSS) and a higher plant squalene synthase (ASS). Three independent Cali-7 transformants for each construct were randomly selected, grown in Yeast Synthetic Drop-out media (Sigma) containing 5 mg/l ergosterol for three days, after which serial dilutions were prepared corresponding to optical densities at 600 nm equivalent to 1, 0.2, 0.04, and 0.008, and 5  $\mu$ L of each dilution spotted onto Yeast Synthetic Drop-out media plates lacking ergosterol. Plates were incubated at 28° C. for 72 h. Liquid cultures of each transformant in TN-7 line were grown in 10 mL of Yeast Synthetic Drop-out media containing 5 mg/L ergosterol at room temperature for seven days. Organic extracts were prepared and analyzed by GC-MS for their squalene content. To validate each gene construct, the squalene synthase enzyme activity encoded by each gene was assessed when the gene was expressed Cali-7 yeast. Briefly, 2000 $\times$ g supernatants were

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prepared and used in enzyme assays containing 3H-FPP and radiolabeled products separated by TLC and analyzed. Enzyme activity (pmoles/h/ $\mu$ g total protein) is recorded as a percent of squalene synthase activity measured when the YSS gene was expressed in the yeast line. n=3

FIG. 5 shows evaluating the contribution of a carboxy-terminal sequence of 26 amino acids conserved amongst fungi to the complementation and restoration of ergosterol prototrophy to an *erg9* knockout yeast line. Full-length *S. cerevisiae* and *Arabidopsis* squalene synthase genes were constructed in which the indicated amino acids corresponding to residues 353 to 378 of YSS and residues 345 to 370 of ASS were exchanged with one another in either the YSS gene (mutants a-e) or the ASS gene (mutants f-j) (in lighter gray, ASS amino acids substituted into the YSS gene; in darker gray, YSS residues substituted into the ASS gene). Each construct was independently transformed into the Cali7-1 *erg9* mutant line, 3 independent transformants were randomly selected and grown in Yeast Synthetic Drop-out media (Sigma) containing 5 mg/l ergosterol for 3 days. Aliquots of each culture were then diluted with water to optical densities (600 nm) corresponding to 1, 0.2, 0.04, and 0.008, and 5  $\mu$ l of each dilution spotted on Yeast Synthetic Drop-out media plates lacking ergosterol. Plates were incubated at 28° C. for 72 h. Liquid cultures of each transformant in TN-7 line were grown in 10 mL of Yeast Synthetic Drop-out media containing 5 mg/L ergosterol at room temperature for seven days. Organic extracts were prepared and analyzed by GC-MS for their squalene content. To validate each gene construct, the squalene synthase enzyme activity encoded by each gene was assessed when the gene was expressed Cali-7 yeast. Briefly, 2000 $\times$ g supernatants were prepared and used in enzyme assays containing 3H-FPP and radiolabeled products separated by TLC and analyzed. Enzyme activity (pmoles/h/ $\mu$ g total protein) is recorded as a percent of squalene synthase activity measured when the YSS gene was expressed in the yeast line. n=3.

FIG. 6 shows confocal microscopy images of Cali-7 yeast expressing various fluorescently tagged squalene synthase enzymes. Constructs were created by fusing efGFP or DsRed1 in frame and connected by a (GSGG)<sub>2</sub> linker to the amino terminus of YSS, BSS-YSS-BSS (BYB), and YSStr, or BSS, respectively. These constructs were cloned into standard yeast expression vectors, Yep352-Ura or pESC-Leu. Various combinations of fluorescently-tagged squalene synthases or a CFP-tagged ER marker (12) were transformed into Cali-7 yeast and positive transformants were grown in Yeast-synthetic Drop-out media containing 5 mg/L ergosterol for three days. Confocal laser scanning micrographs were acquired on an Olympus FV1000 microscope (Olympus America Inc., Melville, N.Y.).

FIG. 7 shows the 26 amino acid stretch of YSS can inhibit the growth of yeast. Constructs were created in which the C-terminal 92 AA of YSS, the C-terminal 64 AA of YSS, the C-terminal 66 AA of ASS, the C-terminal 92 AA of YSS in which the 26 AA domain is replaced by the corresponding of ASS or BSS, and the C-terminus of either ASS or BSS in which the 26 AA domain is replaced by the corresponding of YSS were cloned into the pESC-Ura (Gall and Gal10 promoters) vector. Constructs were transformed into BY4741 yeast and positive transformants were grown in 2 mL of Yeast-Synthetic Drop-out medium for 4 days. Serial dilutions (Corresponding to O.D.<sub>600</sub>=0.5, 0.1, 0.02, and 0.004) were plated on selection media containing either glucose or galactose as the carbon source. Pictures were taken after 4 days growth at 28° C.

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FIG. 8 shows a phylogenetic tree for the amino acid sequence alignment of the 26 amino acid linker domain of squalene synthases from diverse organisms. The clustering of the sequences for plants (Plantae), animals (Animalia) and fungi (Fungi) are indicative of the uniqueness of these domains to the respective organisms in each kingdom and the distinct functional significance of this domain for each kingdom as illustrated in FIGS. 4 and 7 above.

## SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates to a compound consisting essentially of at least a portion of an amino acid linker-domain for squalene synthase, e.g. squalene synthase from *S. cerevisiae*. In one specific form, the compound includes a 26 amino acid linker-domain, e.g. an amino acid domain having a sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1. Alternatively, the linker domain can have a different sequence from other species having similar, conserved regions, including sequences of SEQ ID NOS: 2-12.

The present invention, in another form, relates to the use of novel compounds which include or mimic the functional amino acid linker-domain from squalene synthase (SEQ ID NO: 1) including but not limited to an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NOS: 1-12 as a new class of compounds, such as anti-infection agents, herbicides, etc., as provided by this disclosure.

In addition, in one form or embodiment, the present invention relates to new therapeutic agents and methods for controlling cholesterol metabolism in humans using the aforementioned compounds.

In yet an additional embodiment the present invention, a method is provided for treating or controlling sterol biosynthesis by administering or applying a compound comprising at least a portion of an amino acid linker-domain from squalene synthase or a compound which mimics the physical and chemical properties of this compound, to a subject, in need of treatment, therefrom.

The present invention is based on prior studies in which squalene synthase (*erg9*) deficient *S. cerevisiae* can be complemented by the squalene synthase genes of various fungi, but not those of plants or animals. However, the specific mechanism behind this phenomenon has remained enigmatic. The present invention is further based on identifying a stretch of 26 amino acids which is highly conserved among fungal squalene synthases that does not affect catalytic activity of the enzyme yet is necessary and sufficient to allow squalene synthase genes from any kingdom to complement *erg9* mutants of *S. cerevisiae*. Within this 26 amino acid domain, a stretch of four residues is almost completely conserved among fungi, and when changed, the yeast enzyme loses its ability to complement. These results provide evidence that this domain is required for squalene synthase to channel squalene into the sterol synthesis pathway. Overexpression of the non-catalytic C-terminal residues of squalene synthase in *S. cerevisiae* prevents yeast growth, but only when the fungal 26 amino acid linker-domain is included. This confirms the importance of this domain in substrate channeling and provides evidence that molecules that mimic this domain as a new class of anti-fungal compounds, as well can be used new therapeutic agents for the control of cholesterol metabolism in humans. Further, due to the conservation of the amino acid linker-domain in squalene synthase fungal species, the linker-domain in the other fungal species can be used as a substitute

for that of the 26 amino acid linker-domain, in various embodiments of the present invention.

#### DESCRIPTION OF EXEMPLARY EMBODIMENTS

Various embodiments of the present invention are based on the inventor's discovery that specific portions of a full length polypeptide/amino acid sequence for squalene synthase can complement a *erg9* mutation in yeast. In particular, it was discovered that an amino acid linker-domain from squalene synthase can complement the *erg9* mutation, to restore squalene synthase activity. Based on this, compounds were created which comprise the amino acid linker-domain from squalene synthase. These compounds include peptides which have the sequences of the linker-domain from naturally occurring organisms and can include those which mimic the function and structure of the linker-domain.

In other embodiments, a method for treating or controlling cholesterol metabolism in humans includes administering a therapeutically effective amount of a compound comprising at least a portion of an amino acid linker-domain from squalene synthase, to a patient in need of treatment, therefrom.

In other embodiments, a method is provided for treating or controlling sterol biosynthesis by administering or applying a compound comprising at least a portion of an amino acid linker-domain from squalene synthase, to a subject, in need of treatment, therefrom.

The present invention is based on specific examples and experiments conducted as will be described below. Based on those experiments and examples described below, the present inventors discovered novel compounds that either include an amino acid linker-domain of squalene synthase from *S. cerevisiae* or have domains or characteristics that mimic the amino acid linker-domain including but not limited to the 26 amino acid linker sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1 as well as SEQ ID NOS: 2-12. For example, one of ordinary skill in the art based on the present disclosure will be able to identify other amino acid sequences which have the desired physical and chemical properties to that of compounds which include SEQ ID NO: 1. Further, the work reported here describes the inventors' efforts to use the *erg9* complementation test in yeast to map a specific peptide domain within the carboxy-terminal region of the yeast squalene synthase protein necessary for the complementation phenotype.

Based on the experiments and results described below the aforementioned compounds can be used or formulated into anti-infection compounds such as antifungal compounds, anti-parasitic compounds and herbicides. Further, the aforementioned compounds can be formulated as therapeutic agents to control cholesterol metabolism in humans. In addition, in accordance with the present disclosure, the aforementioned compounds can be used in various methods as antifungal compounds, anti-parasitic compounds and in therapeutic treatments to control cholesterol metabolism, ergosterol biosynthesis in fungi and other organisms dependent on ergosterol for viability.

While the terms used herein are believed to be well understood by one of ordinary skill in the art, definitions are set forth herein to facilitate explanation of the presently-disclosed subject matter.

Unless defined otherwise, all technical and scientific terms used herein have the same meaning as commonly understood by one of ordinary skill in the art to which the presently-disclosed subject matter belongs. Although any

methods, devices, and materials similar or equivalent to those described herein can be used in the practice or testing of the presently-disclosed subject matter, representative methods, devices, and materials are now described.

Following long-standing patent law convention, the terms "a", "an", and "the" refer to "one or more" when used in this application, including the claims. Thus, for example, reference to "a cell" includes a plurality of such cells, and so forth.

Unless otherwise indicated, all numbers expressing quantities of ingredients, properties such as reaction conditions, and so forth used in the specification and claims are to be understood as being modified in all instances by the term "about". Accordingly, unless indicated to the contrary, the numerical parameters set forth in this specification and claims are approximations that can vary depending upon the desired properties sought to be obtained by the presently-disclosed subject matter.

As used herein, the term "about," when referring to a value or to an amount of mass, weight, time, volume, concentration or percentage is meant to encompass variations of in some embodiments  $\pm 20\%$ , in some embodiments  $\pm 10\%$ , in some embodiments  $\pm 5\%$ , in some embodiments  $\pm 1\%$ , in some embodiments  $\pm 0.5\%$ , and in some embodiments  $\pm 0.1\%$  from the specified amount, as such variations are appropriate to perform the disclosed method.

As used herein, ranges can be expressed as from "about" one particular value, and/or to "about" another particular value. It is also understood that there are a number of values disclosed herein, and that each value is also herein disclosed as "about" that particular value in addition to the value itself. For example, if the value "10" is disclosed, then "about 10" is also disclosed. It is also understood that each unit between two particular units are also disclosed. For example, if 10 and 15 are disclosed, then 11, 12, 13, and 14 are also disclosed.

In some embodiments of the presently-disclosed subject matter, pharmaceutical compositions comprise a portion of an amino acid linker domain from squalene synthase. The pharmaceutical composition may be included with a pharmaceutically-acceptable vehicle, carrier, or excipient. In some embodiments, the pharmaceutical composition is pharmaceutically-acceptable in humans. Also, as described further below, in some embodiments, the pharmaceutical composition can be formulated as a therapeutic composition for delivery to a subject.

A pharmaceutical composition as described herein preferably comprises a composition that includes a pharmaceutical carrier such as aqueous and non-aqueous sterile injection solutions that can contain antioxidants, buffers, bacteriostats, bactericidal antibiotics and solutes that render the formulation isotonic with the bodily fluids of the intended recipient; and aqueous and non-aqueous sterile suspensions, which can include suspending agents and thickening agents. The pharmaceutical compositions used can take such forms as suspensions, solutions or emulsions in oily or aqueous vehicles, and can contain formulatory agents such as suspending, stabilizing and/or dispersing agents. Additionally, the formulations can be presented in unit-dose or multi-dose containers, for example sealed ampoules and vials, and can be stored in a frozen or freeze-dried or room temperature (lyophilized) condition requiring only the addition of sterile liquid carrier immediately prior to use.

In some embodiments, solid formulations of the compositions for oral administration can contain suitable carriers or excipients, such as corn starch, gelatin, lactose, acacia,

sucrose, microcrystalline cellulose, kaolin, mannitol, dicalcium phosphate, calcium carbonate, sodium chloride, or alginic acid. Disintegrators that can be used include, but are not limited to, microcrystalline cellulose, corn starch, sodium starch glycolate, and alginic acid. Tablet binders that can be used include acacia, methylcellulose, sodium carboxymethylcellulose, polyvinylpyrrolidone, hydroxypropyl methylcellulose, sucrose, starch, and ethylcellulose. Lubricants that can be used include magnesium stearates, stearic acid, silicone fluid, talc, waxes, oils, and colloidal silica. Further, the solid formulations can be uncoated or they can be coated by known techniques to delay disintegration and absorption in the gastrointestinal tract and thereby provide a sustained/extended action over a longer period of time. For example, glyceryl monostearate or glyceryl distearate can be employed to provide a sustained-/extended-release formulation. Numerous techniques for formulating sustained release preparations are known to those of ordinary skill in the art and can be used in accordance with the present invention, including the techniques described in the following references: U.S. Pat. Nos. 4,891,223; 6,004,582; 5,397,574; 5,419,917; 5,458,005; 5,458,887; 5,458,888; 5,472,708; 6,106,862; 6,103,263; 6,099,862; 6,099,859; 6,096,340; 6,077,541; 5,916,595; 5,837,379; 5,834,023; 5,885,616; 5,456,921; 5,603,956; 5,512,297; 5,399,362; 5,399,359; 5,399,358; 5,725,883; 5,773,025; 6,110,498; 5,952,004; 5,912,013; 5,897,876; 5,824,638; 5,464,633; 5,422,123; and 4,839,177; and WO 98/47491, each of which is incorporated herein by this reference.

Liquid preparations for oral administration can take the form of, for example, solutions, syrups or suspensions, or they can be presented as a dry product for constitution with water or other suitable vehicle before use. Such liquid preparations can be prepared by conventional techniques with pharmaceutically-acceptable additives such as suspending agents (e.g., sorbitol syrup, cellulose derivatives or hydrogenated edible fats); emulsifying agents (e.g. lecithin or acacia); non-aqueous vehicles (e.g., almond oil, oily esters, ethyl alcohol or fractionated vegetable oils); and preservatives (e.g., methyl or propyl-p-hydroxybenzoates or sorbic acid). The preparations can also contain buffer salts, flavoring, coloring and sweetening agents as appropriate. Preparations for oral administration can be suitably formulated to give controlled release of the active compound. For buccal administration, the compositions can take the form of capsules, tablets or lozenges formulated in conventional manner.

Various liquid and powder formulations can also be prepared by conventional methods for inhalation into the lungs of the subject to be treated or for intranasal administration into the nose and sinus cavities of a subject to be treated. For example, the compositions can be conveniently delivered in the form of an aerosol spray presentation from pressurized packs or a nebulizer, with the use of a suitable propellant, e.g., dichlorodifluoromethane, trichlorofluoromethane, dichlorotetrafluoroethane, carbon dioxide, or other suitable gas. Capsules and cartridges of, for example, gelatin for use in an inhaler or insufflator may be formulated containing a powder mix of the desired compound and a suitable powder base such as lactose or starch.

The compositions can also be formulated as a preparation for implantation or injection. Thus, for example, the compositions can be formulated with suitable polymeric or hydrophobic materials (e.g., as an emulsion in an acceptable oil) or ion exchange resins, or as sparingly soluble derivatives (e.g., as a sparingly soluble salt).

The compositions can further be formulated as topical semi-solid ointment or cream formulations can contain a concentration of the presently-described compositions in a carrier such as a pharmaceutical cream base. Various formulations for topical use include drops, tinctures, lotions, creams, solutions, and ointments containing the active ingredient and various supports and vehicles. The optimal percentage of the therapeutic agent in each pharmaceutical formulation varies according to the formulation itself and the therapeutic effect desired in the specific pathologies and correlated therapeutic. In some embodiments, such ointment or cream formulations can be used for trans-dermal delivery of the pharmaceutical compositions described herein or for delivery to certain organs.

Injectable formulations of the compositions can contain various carriers such as vegetable oils, dimethylacetamide, dimethylformamide, ethyl lactate, ethyl carbonate, isopropyl myristate, ethanol, polyols (glycerol, propylene glycol, liquid polyethylene glycol), and the like. For intravenous injections, water soluble versions of the compositions can be administered by the drip method, whereby a formulation including a pharmaceutical composition of the presently-disclosed subject matter and a physiologically-acceptable excipient is infused. Physiologically-acceptable excipients can include, for example, 5% dextrose, 0.9% saline, Ringer's solution or other suitable excipients. Intramuscular preparations, e.g., a sterile formulation of a suitable soluble salt form of the compounds, can be dissolved and administered in a pharmaceutical excipient such as Water-for-Injection, 0.9% saline, or 5% glucose solution. A suitable insoluble form of the composition can be prepared and administered as a suspension in an aqueous base or a pharmaceutically-acceptable oil base, such as an ester of a long chain fatty acid, (e.g., ethyl oleate).

In addition to the formulations described above, compositions comprising the amino acid linker domain of squalene synthase or compounds which mimic this domain of the presently-disclosed subject matter can also be formulated as rectal compositions, such as suppositories or retention enemas, e.g., containing conventional suppository bases such as cocoa butter or other glycerides. Further, the present compositions can also be formulated as a depot preparation by combining the compositions with suitable polymeric or hydrophobic materials (for example as an emulsion in an acceptable oil) or ion exchange resins, or as sparingly soluble derivatives, for example, as a sparingly soluble salt.

For administration of a therapeutic composition as disclosed herein (e.g., a composition comprising an amino acid linker-domain from squalene synthase), conventional methods of extrapolating human dosage based on doses administered to a murine animal model can be carried out using the conversion factor for converting the mouse dosage to human dosage:  $\text{Dose Human per kg} = \text{Dose Mouse per kg} \times 12$  (Freireich, et al., (1966) Cancer Chemother Rep. 50: 219-244). Doses can also be given in milligrams per square meter of body surface area because this method rather than body weight achieves a good correlation to certain metabolic and excretory functions. Moreover, body surface area can be used as a common denominator for drug dosage in adults and children as well as in different animal species as described by Freireich, et al. (Freireich et al., (1966) Cancer Chemother Rep. 50:219-244). Briefly, to express a mg/kg dose in any given species as the equivalent mg/sq m dose, multiply the dose by the appropriate kg factor. In an adult human, 100 mg/kg is equivalent to  $100 \text{ mg/kg} \times 37 \text{ kg/sq m} = 3700 \text{ mg/m}^2$ .

Suitable methods for administering a therapeutic composition in accordance with the methods of the presently-disclosed subject matter include, but are not limited to, systemic administration, parenteral administration (including intravascular, intramuscular, and/or intraarterial administration), oral delivery, buccal delivery, rectal delivery, subcutaneous administration, intraperitoneal administration, inhalation, dermally (e.g., topical application), intratracheal installation, surgical implantation, transdermal delivery, local injection, intranasal delivery, and hyper-velocity injection/bombardment. Where applicable, continuous infusion can enhance drug accumulation at a target site (see, e.g., U.S. Pat. No. 6,180,082). In some embodiments of the therapeutic methods described herein, the therapeutic compositions are administered orally, intravenously, or intraperitoneally to thereby treat a disease or disorder, as described herein below.

Regardless of the route of administration, the compositions of the presently-disclosed subject matter typically not only include an effective amount of a therapeutic agent, but are typically administered in amount effective to achieve the desired response. As such, the term "effective amount" is used herein to refer to an amount of the therapeutic composition sufficient to produce a measurable biological response. Actual dosage levels of active ingredients in a therapeutic composition of the presently-disclosed subject matter can be varied so as to administer an amount of the active compound(s) that is effective to achieve the desired therapeutic response for a particular subject and/or application. Of course, the effective amount in any particular case will depend upon a variety of factors including the activity of the therapeutic composition, formulation, the route of administration, combination with other drugs or treatments, severity of the condition being treated, and the physical condition and prior medical history of the subject being treated. Preferably, a minimal dose is administered, and the dose is escalated in the absence of dose-limiting toxicity to a minimally effective amount. Determination and adjustment of a therapeutically effective dose, as well as evaluation of when and how to make such adjustments, are known to those of ordinary skill in the art.

For additional guidance regarding formulation and dose, see U.S. Pat. Nos. 5,326,902; 5,234,933; PCT International Publication No. WO 93/25521; Berkow et al., (1997) *The Merck Manual of Medical Information*, Home ed. Merck Research Laboratories, Whitehouse Station, New Jersey; Goodman et al., (1996) *Goodman & Gilman's the Pharmacological Basis of Therapeutics*, 9th ed. McGraw-Hill Health Professions Division, New York; Ebadi, (1998) *CRC Desk Reference of Clinical Pharmacology*. CRC Press, Boca Raton, Fla.; Katzung, (2001) *Basic & Clinical Pharmacology*, 8th ed. Lange Medical Books/McGraw-Hill Medical Pub. Division, New York; Remington et al., (1975) *Remington's Pharmaceutical Sciences*, 15th ed. Mack Pub. Co., Easton, Pa.; and Speight et al., (1997) *Avery's Drug Treatment: A Guide to the Properties, Choice, Therapeutic Use and Economic Value of Drugs in Disease Management*, 4th ed. Adis International, Auckland/Philadelphia; Duch et al., (1998) *Toxicol. Lett.* 100-101:255-263.

Yet further provided, in some embodiments, are methods for treating infections including fungal and non-fungal infections, e.g. parasitic infections. Examples of parasitic infections treated include trypanosomatid infections such as those caused by *trypanosoma cruzi* (Tc) and *Leishmania donovani* (Ld). Tc and Ld have similar squalene synthase linker-domains (TcSS and LdSS, respectively) to that for *S. cerevisiae* (ScSS) as shown in the table below:

	Linker-Domain Sequence	SEQ ID NO:
ScSS	KSKLAVQDPNFKLNIQISKIEQFME	1
TcSS	AARMNAQDACYDRIEHLVNDAIRAME	160
LdSS	QKKLDVQDASSTSIANSLSAAAIERID	161

Since Tc and Ld have similar squalene synthase linker-domain sequences to the squalene synthase linker-domain sequence in *S. cerevisiae* (as well as other organisms identified in this disclosure, including FIG. 3, below), anti-infection agents can be formulated from compounds having at least a portion of an amino acid linker-domain from squalene synthase. These formulated compounds can administered or applied to treat infections, which include fungal and parasitic infections. The squalene synthase can have an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NOS: 1-12 and/or can have a different sequence that mimics the physical and chemical properties of SEQ ID NOS: 1-12. The treatment can comprise administering a therapeutically effective amount of a compound comprising at least a portion of an amino acid linker-domain from squalene synthase or one that mimics its physical and chemical properties, to a subject or patient in need of treatment, therefrom.

Still further provided, in some embodiments, are methods for treating or controlling cholesterol metabolism in humans by administering a therapeutically effective amount of a compound comprising at least a portion of an amino acid linker-domain from squalene synthase, to a patient in need of treatment, therefrom. In some embodiments, a method for treating or controlling cholesterol metabolism in humans comprises administering to a subject in need thereof an effective amount of a compound comprising a polypeptide having a sequence of SEQ ID NOS: 1-12 or a polypeptide which mimics its physical and chemical properties and function.

It will be appreciated that the function of the linker-domain includes being able to complement an erg9 mutation in yeast. Further function includes restoring, in part, squalene synthases activity in erg9 mutant yeast. Accordingly, a compound consisting essentially of a least a portion of an amino acid linker-domain from squalene, in accordance with some embodiments of the presently-disclosed subject matter will be the compound having the aforementioned linker-domain and any other portion or modification that does not materially affect the function of the compound.

As used herein, the terms "treatment" or "treating" relate to any treatment of a condition of interest (e.g. controlling cholesterol metabolism), including but not limited to prophylactic treatment and therapeutic treatment. As such, the terms "treatment" or "treating" include, but are not limited to: preventing a condition of interest or the development of a condition of interest; inhibiting the progression of a condition of interest; arresting or preventing the further development of a condition of interest; reducing the severity of a condition of interest; ameliorating or relieving symptoms associated with a condition of interest; and causing a regression of a condition of interest or one or more of the symptoms associated with a condition of interest.

As used herein, the term "subject" includes human, animal and plant subjects. Thus, veterinary therapeutic uses are provided in accordance with the presently-disclosed subject matter. As such, the presently-disclosed subject matter provides for the treatment of mammals such as humans, as well as those mammals of importance due to being endangered, such as Siberian tigers; of economic importance, such as animals raised on farms for consumption by humans; and/or

animals of social importance to humans, such as animals kept as pets or in zoos. Examples of such animals include but are not limited to: carnivores such as cats and dogs; swine, including pigs, hogs, and wild boars; ruminants and/or ungulates such as cattle, oxen, sheep, giraffes, deer, goats, bison, and camels; and horses. Also provided is the treatment of birds, including the treatment of those kinds of birds that are endangered and/or kept in zoos, as well as fowl, and more particularly domesticated fowl, i.e., poultry, such as turkeys, chickens, ducks, geese, guinea fowl, and the like, as they are also of economic importance to humans. Thus, also provided is the treatment of livestock, including, but not limited to, domesticated swine, ruminants, ungulates, horses (including race horses), poultry, and the like.

The practice of the presently-disclosed subject matter can employ, unless otherwise indicated, conventional techniques of cell biology, cell culture, molecular biology, transgenic biology, microbiology, recombinant DNA, and immunology, which are within the skill of the art. Such techniques are explained fully in the literature. See e.g., *Molecular Cloning A Laboratory Manual* (1989), 2nd Ed., ed. by Sambrook, Fritsch and Maniatis, eds., Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, Chapters 16 and 17; U.S. Pat. No. 4,683,195; *DNA Cloning*, Volumes I and II, Glover, ed., 1985; *Oligonucleotide Synthesis*, M. J. Gait, ed., 1984; *Nucleic Acid Hybridization*, D. Hames & S. J. Higgins, eds., 1984; *Transcription and Translation*, B. D. Hames & S. J. Higgins, eds., 1984; *Culture Of Animal Cells*, R. I. Freshney, Alan R. Liss, Inc., 1987; *Immobilized Cells And Enzymes*, IRL Press, 1986; Perbal (1984), *A Practical Guide To Molecular Cloning*; See *Methods In Enzymology* (Academic Press, Inc., N.Y.); *Gene Transfer Vectors For Mammalian Cells*, J. H. Miller and M. P. Calos, eds., Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, 1987; *Methods In Enzymology*, Vols. 154 and 155, Wu et al., eds., Academic Press Inc., N.Y.; *Immunochemical Methods In Cell And Molecular Biology* (Mayer and Walker, eds., Academic Press, London, 1987; *Handbook Of Experimental Immunology*, Volumes I-IV, D. M. Weir and C. C. Blackwell, eds., 1986.

#### EXPERIMENTS AND EXAMPLES

The details of one or more embodiments of the presently-disclosed subject matter are set forth in this document. Modifications to embodiments described in this document, and other embodiments, will be evident to those of ordinary skill in the art after a study of the information provided in this document. The information provided in this document, and particularly the specific details of the described exemplary embodiments, is provided primarily for clearness of understanding and no unnecessary limitations are to be understood therefrom. In case of conflict, the specification of this document, including definitions, will control.

The following results of experiments and examples provide evidence of efficacy and generation of the aforementioned compounds and therapeutic treatments. These experiments and examples are intended to be non-limiting, and illustrate only certain embodiments of the present invention. Furthermore, the examples and experiments may include compilations of data that are representative of data gathered at various times during the course of development and experimentation related to the presently-disclosed subject matter.

Complementing the *erg9* knockout mutation in yeast requires more than active squalene synthase enzyme activity and squalene accumulation. The following discussion describes the process used to develop a complementing

compound to restore squalene synthase actively in *erg9* knockout mutation yeast and thereby lead to novel compounds, e.g. proteins/peptides.

Various squalene synthases were cloned into the yeast expression vector, Yep352-ADH1, including those from *S. cerevisiae* (YSS), *B. braunii* (BSS), *N. benthamiana* (TSS), *A. thaliana* (ASS), and *R. norvegicus* (RSS), as well as a C-terminal truncated form of YSS in which 24 amino acids comprising the ER membrane-spanning region were eliminated (YSStr). These constructs were transformed into the yeast line CALI7-1, which has been selected for high level FPP biosynthesis (10) and has an *erg9* knockout mutation. It is unable to synthesize sterols de novo and is dependent on exogenous ergosterol for growth. To test if introducing the various squalene synthases could restore ergosterol prototrophy to CALI7-1 yeast line, colonies testing positive for the respective SS transgene by PCR screens were grown in selection media containing ergosterol and serial dilutions were spotted on plates not containing exogenous ergosterol (FIG. 1). To evaluate the encoded enzymes for catalytic activity, extracts prepared from the CALI7-1 yeast lines were assayed for squalene synthase enzyme activity. Constructs were also expressed in TN-7 yeast line and cultures were grown in liquid media with ergosterol and subsequently analyzed for squalene accumulation. Squalene levels were determined in TN-7 because in this yeast line, there is no possibility of squalene feeding into the ergosterol biosynthetic pathway. This allows for accurate comparisons of squalene production by the various SS enzymes.

Interestingly, only the full-length YSS gene and a carboxy-terminal truncated form (deletion of the terminal 24 amino acids) could restore ergosterol prototrophy to the Cali7-1 yeast line. Further, significant squalene accumulation and SS enzyme activity was observed in all squalene synthase constructs tested, providing evidence that the enzyme was properly expressed in an active form in all cases (FIG. 1). This provides evidence that all SS enzymes tested properly expressed in vivo, but only YSS could complement the *erg9* deficient CALI7-1 yeast line.

The terminal membrane-spanning domain of squalene synthase is not necessary for functional enzyme nor complementation of the *erg9* mutant.

To corroborate and extend the earlier observations of Kirbii et al (7) that a non-catalytic, carboxy-terminal domain was important for complementation, reciprocal molecular swaps of the terminal 100 or so amino acids of various plant and algae SS enzymes were created with that corresponding to the 91 carboxy-terminal amino acids from *S. cerevisiae* SS and tested each for its ability to complement the *erg9* mutation in yeast line CALI7-1 (FIG. 2). As expected, all the constructs that contained the carboxy-terminus of *S. cerevisiae* SS were able to complement the *erg9* knockout mutation in Cali7-1, while none of the *S. cerevisiae* SS enzymes that had their carboxy-terminus replaced with that of a plant or algae SS displayed ergosterol prototrophy.

Of equal interest is the observation that constructs containing a deletion of the terminal 24 amino acids of the yeast SS (YSStr, FIG. 1) or appending this modified terminal domain to the algal SS (BSS-YSStr, FIG. 2) did not alter the ability of these gene constructs to complement the *erg9* deletion. On the basis of hydropathy plots of this region of the SS enzymes (3), this terminal region has been referred to as a membrane-spanning domain and by inference the domain mediating tethering of the SS enzyme activity to the ER membrane system in eukaryotic cells (3). Regardless of these inferences, the YSStr and BSS-YSStr constructs shown in FIGS. 1 and 2 encode for functionally soluble SS



enzyme activity (enzyme activity found in 20,000 g supernatants of *E. coli* expressing this genes) and these constructs complemented the *erg9* mutation in yeast equally well as the full-length gene constructs. Hence, the carboxy-terminal 24 amino acids of the yeast SS are not necessary for the complementation phenotype, but some other element(s) within the proximal 67 amino acids of the carboxy-terminus appears to be both necessary and sufficient for complementation.

Computational screens for possible carboxy terminal domains responsible for the complementation phenotype.

Because squalene synthase genes from *S. cerevisiae* (this disclosure), *S. pombe* (3), and *Y. lipolytica* (8) have been demonstrated to complement the *erg9* knockout in yeast, but squalene synthases from plant, algae and animals cannot, and because the results in FIGS. 1 and 2 pointed to a proximal carboxy terminal region of 67 amino acids being responsible for the specificity of this complementation, amino acid sequence comparisons of this region between relevant squalene synthases were performed. No over-arching sequence similarities were observed when comparing the sequences across this region from algae, plants, animals and fungi, although there were greater similarities within the first 26 amino acids of this region (FIG. 3, bottom portion "B"). This degree of similarity became much more apparent when the alignments of only the fungal squalene synthase were compared (FIG. 3, top portion "A"). Within this short segment of amino acids, 8 residues are absolutely conserved and the degree of amino acid similarity across the entire 26 amino acids reaches upwards of 45%.

To functionally evaluate the contribution of this domain to the complementation phenotype, reciprocal constructs where these 26 amino acids of YSS were exchanged with the corresponding amino acids regions within the BSS and ASS were generated. These constructs were transformed into the *erg9* knockout yeast line, and 3 independent colonies from each transformation were screened for their ability to grow in the absence of ergosterol (FIG. 4). When the carboxy-terminal 26 amino acid sequence from *S. cerevisiae* was substituted into the algal (BSS-YSS-BSS), complementation was readily apparent. When the carboxy-terminal 26 amino acid sequence from *S. cerevisiae* was substituted into the *Arabidopsis* backbone (ASS-YSS-ASS), complementation was restored but the growth rate was noticeably affected. Further analysis revealed that squalene accumulation in this yeast line was only about 5% that of the wild type YSS. Further, squalene synthase enzyme activity in this yeast line was only 7.6% the level as the YSS-expressing yeast line. This provides evidence that the ASS-YSS-ASS was compromised in its squalene synthase enzyme activity, but was still able to complement the *erg9* knockout. The reciprocal substitutions of inserting the algal or plant amino acid sequences into the corresponding site of the *S. cerevisiae* SS resulted in a loss of its ability to complement the *erg9* knockout mutations. The loss of this complementation capability was not due to a loss in the catalytic activity of the yeast SS. When these lines were grown in the presence of ergosterol, greater levels of squalene accumulated in these cultures relative to those lines transformed with the wild type YSS construct or other *erg9* complementing constructs and SS enzyme activity could be readily measured in yeast lysates.

Mapping the specific amino acids contributing to the complementation phenotype.

To further assess the contribution of individual amino acids within this key stretch of 26 amino acids, fine mapping substitution series constructs were generated (FIG. 5). First,

mutants were created in which either the first half (13 residues) or the second half of the 26 amino acid domain was swapped from the *A. thaliana* SS into the *S. cerevisiae* backbone (FIG. 5, mutants a and b). Swapping out the first 13 amino acids of the *S. cerevisiae* SS (FIG. 5, mutant a) had no effect on the ability of the subsequent construct to complement the *erg9* mutation, but swapping the second half resulted in a complete loss of the complementation phenotype (FIG. 5, mutant b). Swapping out the first 13 amino acids of *A. thaliana* SS with those in *S. cerevisiae* also had no effect on the ability of this construct to complement the *erg9* mutant (FIG. 5, mutant f). However, exchanging the second half of these residues with those of the yeast squalene synthase enabled the construct to restore partial growth to the *erg9* mutant (FIG. 5, mutant g). Thus, it appeared that the residues in the second half of the 26-amino acid domain were largely responsible for complementation phenotype and this stretch of amino acids was evaluated further.

Because the KIEQ (SEQ ID NO: 35) and FLKLNQ (SEQ ID NO: 36) stretches of amino acids seem particularly conserved amongst the fungal squalene synthases, various combinations of these peptide domains were exchanged between the ASS and YSS constructs (FIG. 5, mutants c-e and h-j). When the "FLKLNQ" (SEQ ID NO: 36) stretch of YSS was replaced with the corresponding domain of ASS (FIG. 5, mutant d), complementation growth was not affected, and likewise the reciprocal swap in ASS (FIG. 5, mutant i) did not restore complementation. However, when the "KIEQ" (SEQ ID NO: 35) stretch of YSS was replaced with the corresponding domain of ASS (FIG. 5, mutant c), growth of the yeast was significantly impaired, suggesting that complementation had been affected. The reciprocal swap in ASS (FIG. 5, mutant h) did not restore growth of the *erg9* mutant. Two additional mutants in which the entire domains spanning from "FLKLNQ" (SEQ ID NO: 36) to "KIEQ" (SEQ ID NO: 35) were exchanged (FIG. 5, mutant e and j) were also evaluated for their ability to complement the *erg9* mutation. Consistent with our expectations from the other mutants, substituting the yeast amino acids of this domain with those from the *Arabidopsis* squalene synthase resulted in a complete loss in the ability of this construct to complement the *erg9* mutation. However, unexpectedly, substitution of this domain in the *Arabidopsis* squalene synthase gene with that of the yeast squalene synthase only restored a very modest level of growth to mutant yeast in the complementation tests. All constructs tested in FIG. 5, when expressed in yeast, accumulated higher levels of squalene and had SS enzyme activity in excess of yeast expressing YSS.

The membrane spanning, carboxy-terminal sequence is responsible for localizing squalene synthase to a common membrane system.

One possible explanation for the uniqueness of the carboxy-terminal domains would be that the plant carboxy termini would target the squalene synthase enzyme to a different intracellular compartment than the yeast carboxy terminus. To evaluate this possibility, DNA coding for different fluorescent tags were appended to the 5' end of the yeast, plant or chimera squalene synthase gene and these were co-expressed in yeast. The subsequent transformants were then subjected to confocal microscopy to visualize the intracellular distribution of each protein. If the yeast squalene synthase carboxy terminus were to direct proteins to a local different from the plant carboxy terminus, then superimposition of the fluorescent images would not be expected to overlap and distinct red and green colors would be visible. Instead, co-localization should result in over-

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lapping images and color blending (green over-lapping with red) would yield a yellow image. FIG. 6 represents, in gray scale, rather than color (red/green), that the latter indeed occurs, providing strong evidence that the significance of the 26 amino acid linker domain is not to provide a distinct cellular localization signal.

Over-expression of the 26 amino acid linker domain serves to inhibit fungal growth.

If the fungal 26 amino acid sequence was providing for specific and unique interactions between squalene synthase and some other factor(s), thus providing for prototrophic production of endogenous sterols, then over-expression of this peptide fragment might be expected to disrupt normal sterol metabolism and hence disrupt fungal growth. To test this possibility, a gene coding for the 92 carboxy terminal residues of the yeast squalene synthase was inserted into a galactose inducible expression vector and the recombinant vector introduced into a wild type yeast (BY4741) (FIG. 7). When grown on glucose, expression of the 92 carboxy-terminal squalene synthase gene was suppressed and the transformed yeast grew normally. However, when the same transformants were grown on galactose, growth was severely arrested. If a plant complementary carboxy-terminal gene was substituted for the yeast, no adverse effects were noted. When the 26 amino acid linker domain was deleted from the yeast gene construct, growth also was not impaired. When the deleted region was replaced with the correspond domain from a plant (ASS-YSS) or algae (BSS-YSS), growth also was unaffected. However, if the yeast 26 amino acid linker domain was substitute for the corresponding region of the plant (YSS-ASS) or algal (YSS-BSS) gene, then growth was abolished under conditions of induction of gene expression (plus galactose).

The 26 amino acid linker domain is unique to each kingdom, and hence represents a target for kingdom specific control of sterol metabolism.

Attention to the 26 amino acid linker domain came about because of its unique conservation within fungal squalene

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distinctly different between kingdoms. FIG. 8 provides a phylogenetic assessment of this domain between the kingdoms of plants, animals and fungi and shows distinct clustering of these domains within squalene synthase genes to clades representing only organisms reflecting each of the kingdoms. Hence, one would expect that disruption of the 26 amino acid linker domain within mammalian cells to also disrupt cholesterol metabolism, much like we have observed for fungi.

## Materials and Methods

The following disclosure provides background to the parameters and the experimental conditions used to generate the results discussed above.

### Cloning the Various Squalene Synthases

Squalene synthases from *S. cerevisiae* (YSS), *B. braunii* (BSS), *R. norvegicus* (RSS), *N. benthamiana* (TSS), and *A. thaliana* (ASS) were cloned from original cell or tissue sources. First, total RNA was isolated from the respective species using the RNeasy Plant mini kit (Qiagen) or Trizol (Invitrogen, for *R. norvegicus* and *S. cerevisiae*) according to the manufacturer's recommendations, and first strand cDNA was synthesized using the SMARTer PCR cDNA synthesis kit (Clontech). The first strand cDNA was used as a template to amplify the various squalene synthase genes using the primer sets listed in Table 1 (restriction site in bold). YSS was cloned into the Yep352 vector with the AscI and XbaI sites, and a 3'-truncated form cloned into Yep352 and pET28a using the AscI and XbaI or BamHI and XhoI sites, respectively. BSS was cloned into Yep352 with the EcoRI and HindIII sites. RSS was cloned into YEp352 using the EcoRI and NotI sites and a 5'- and 3'-truncated RSS was cloned into pET28a using the BamHI and XhoI sites. TSS was cloned into Yep352 with the EcoRI and NotI sites. ASS was cloned into Yep352 with the EcoRI and NotI sites. All constructs were verified by automated DNA sequencing.

TABLE 1

Squalene Synthase Primer Sequences.			
gene	primer	Sequence	SEQ ID NO.
YSS	AscI For	<b>AGGCGCGCCAAAACAATGGGAAAGCTATTACAATGGC</b>	37
	BamHI For	<b>CGCGGATCCAAAACAATGGGAAAGCTATTACAATGGC</b>	38
	XbaI Rev	<b>GCTCTAGATCAGCTCTGTGTAAGTGTATAT</b>	39
	NotI Rev	<b>ATAAGAATGCGGCCGCTCACGCTCTGTGTAAGTG</b>	40
	XbaI Rev trunc	<b>GCTCTAGATCACTTGTACTTCTTCTTC</b>	41
	XhoI Rev trunc	<b>GGGCTCGAGTCACTTGTACTTCTTCTTC</b>	42
	NotI Rev trunc	<b>ATAAGAATGCGGCCGCTCACTTGTACTTCTTCTTCTTC</b>	43
BSS	EcoRI For	<b>CCGGAATCAAAACAATGGGATGCTTCGCTGGGGAGTGG</b>	44
	HindIII Rev	<b>ATCCCAAGCTTTTAGGCGCTGAGTGTGGGTCTAGG</b>	45
	NotI Rev	<b>ATAAGAATGCGGCCGCTTAGGCGCTGAGTGTGGGTCTAGG</b>	46
RSS	EcoRI For	<b>GGAATTCAAAACAATGGAGTTCGTGAAGTGTCTAGGCC</b>	47
	BamHI For trunc	<b>CGCGGATCCATGGACCGGAACCTCGCTCAGC</b>	48
	NotI Rev	<b>ATAAGAATGCGGCCGCTCAGTGTCTCTCTGGACATAGTC</b>	49
TSS	XhoI Rev trunc	<b>CCGCTCGAGTCACTTGTGCTCCTGATGTTGGAG</b>	50
	EcoRI For	<b>GGAATTCATGGGAGTTGAGGGCTATTC</b>	51
	XbaI Rev	<b>GCTCTAGACTAAGATCGGTTTCCGGATAGC</b>	52
ASS	NotI Rev	<b>ATAAGAATGCGGCCGCTAAGATCGGTTTCCGGATAGC</b>	53
	EcoRI For	<b>CCGGAATCAAAACAATGGGAGCTTGGGGACGATGCTG</b>	54
	XbaI Rev	<b>GCTCTAGATCAGTTTGTCTGAGATATGC</b>	55
	NotI Rev	<b>ATAAGAATGCGGCCGCTCAGTTTGTCTGAGATATGCAAAG</b>	56

synthases (FIG. 3). If this were to be a universal feature of squalene synthases, then one would expect this corresponding domain in plant and animal squalene synthases to be highly conserved within that kingdom of organisms, and

### Creating the BSS-YSS fusion

A reverse primer was designed to pair with the BSS EcoRI For (see Table 1), to amplify the first 352 codons of BSS except that a single nucleotide mutation was introduced into

the 352<sup>nd</sup> codon to introduce a HindIII restriction site without changing the encoded amino acid (ATCCC AAGCTTCTCTGCTAATTTGAGG (SEQ ID NO: 57), HindIII site in bold, mutation underlined). This was cloned into the pET28a vector with the corresponding restriction sites, giving BSS<sub>352</sub>-pET28a. Another primer was designed to pair with either primer, YSS NotI Rev or YSS NotI Rev trunc, to amplify YSS starting from codon 353 (ATCCAAGCT-TAAATCTAAATTGGCTGTGC (SEQ ID NO: 58), HindIII site in bold), and these fragments cloned into BSS352-pET28a cut with HindIII and NotI to give the BSS-YSS and BSS-YSSstr constructs. These were cut from the pET28a vector using EcoRI and NotI and ligated into the corresponding sites of Yep352. The construct was verified by automated DNA sequencing.

Creating the BSS-YSS-BSS Expression Cassette

A primer was designed to pair with primer, BSS EcoRI For, to amplify a fragment of the BSS-YSS construct with NgoMIV and NotI restriction sites (ATAAAGAATGCGGC-CGCGAATGCCGGCTTCCATAAACTGTTTCGATCTTGG (SEQ ID NO: 59), NgoMIV and NotI sites in bold). This was cloned into the EcoRI and NotI sites of Yep352, which was later cut with NgoMIV and NotI. Meanwhile a primer was designed to pair with primer, BSS NotI Rev, to amplify a 3' region of BSS except that two nucleotide mutations were introduced to add an NgoMIV restriction site without changing the encoded amino acids (GCAAAGAATGCCGG CCTGGCACGCACAAAAGATGACACC (SEQ ID NO: 60), NgoMIV site in bold, mutations underlined). This

fragment was cloned into the NgoMIV and NotI sites of the cut Yep352 vector to give BSS-YSS-BSS. The construct was verified by automated DNA sequencing.

Creating Other Fusion Constructs

All other fusion constructs were created by employing an assembly PCR strategy as described by Niehaus et al. (11), using the primers listed in Tables 1 and 2. For example, YSS-BSS was created by using YSS as a template with the primer set, YSS-BSS 1R and YSS Ascl For, to amplify a fragment of YSS with a 3' overhang, and using BSS as the template with the primer set, YSS-BSS 1F and BSS HindIII Rev, to amplify a fragment of BSS with a 5' overhang. These two fragments were both used as templates in a PCR reaction with the primer set, YSS Ascl For and BSS HindIII Rev, to give the YSS-BSS construct, which was cloned into the Yep352 vector with the corresponding restriction sites. YSS-BSS-YSS was created by using YSS-BSS and YSS as templates in the initial PCR reaction, and cloning the finished construct into Yep352 with the Ascl and XbaI sites. All other constructs were created in a similar manner. TSS-YSS and YSS-TSS were cloned into Yep352 with the EcoRI and NotI, or Ascl and XbaI restriction sites, respectively. YSS-ASS and ASS-YSS were cloned into Yep352 with Ascl and XbaI, or EcoRI and XbaI restriction sites, respectively. All YSS M(a)-M(e) constructs were cloned into Yep352 with the Ascl and XbaI restriction sites, and all ASS M(f)-M(j) constructs were cloned into Yep352 with EcoRI and XbaI restriction sites. All constructs were verified by automated DNA sequencing.

TABLE 2

Chimeric Squalene Synthase Primer Sequences.			SEQ ID NO.
construct	direction	sequence	
YSS-BSS	1F	CTTACGTGATATCGAAGTCAGATGCAACACCGAGACCAGCGAGGATCCC	61
	1R	GCATCTGACTTCGATATCACGTAAGTAAATAGTCAAAAATCTCGACACAGCC	62
YSS-ASS	1F	CTTACGTGATATCAAGACAAAAGGTTGACAAGAACGATCCAAATGCCAG	63
	1R	CAAGCTTTGTCTTGATATCACGTAAGTAATAGTCAAAAATCTCGACAC	64
ASS-YSS	1F	CCTGCATGCTGAAATCTAAATGGCTGTGCAAGATCCAAATTTCTTA	65
	1R	GCCAAATTTAGATTTACAGCATGCAGGAAAAATCATAGAAAAGCACCATAG	66
YSS-TSS	1F	CTTACGTGATATCAAATCCAAAGGTTAATAAATAATGATCCAAATGCAAC	67
	1R	TTAACCTTGGATTGATATCACGTAAGTAAATAGTCAAAAATCTCGACAC	68
TSS-YSS	1F	GACTTTCTGTATGCTGAAATCTAAATGGCTGTGCAAGATCCAAATTTCTT	69
	1R	GCCAAATTTAGATTTACAGCATGCAGGAAAAAGCACCATATACATC	70
YSS-BSS-YSS	1F	CAAAGCTGCTGCAAGGAAATGTACCAGGATAAATACCTCCTAACGTGAAGCC	71
	1R	CCTGGTACATTTCTTGCAGGCAGCTTTGATCTTATGCAGGTGTTCCAGAG	72
YSS-ASS-YSS	1F	AAGACAAAGGTTGACAAGAACGATCCAAATGCCAGTAAGACACTAAACCGACTTGAAGCC	73
	1R	TCTGCAGAGTTTCTGAACGGCTTCAAGTCGGTTAGTGTCTTACTGGCATTGGATCGTT	74
ASS-YSS-ASS	1F	AAATCTAAATTTGGCTGTGCAAGATCCAAATTTCTTAAAAATTGAACATTCAAATCTCCAAG	75
	1R	TTCCATAAACTGTCGATCTIGGAGATTTGAATGTCATTTTAAAGAAATTTGGATCTTG	76
YSS M(c)	1F	CTCCGCCGTTCAAAGTTTATGGAAGAAATGTACCAGGATAAATTACC	77
	1R	CCATAAACTTTTGAACGGCGGAGATTGGAATGTTCAATTTTAAG	78
YSS M(d)	1F	AATGCCAGTAAGACACTAAACCGTATCTCCAAGATCGAACAGTTTATGG	79
	1R	GATACGGTTTAGTGTCTTACTGGCATTGGATCTTGCACAGCCAATTTAG	80
YSS M(e)	1F	GCCAGTAAGACACTAAACCGTCTTGAAGCCGTTTCAAGAGTTTATGGAAGAAATGTACCAG	81
	1R	CTTCTGAACGGCTTCAAGACGGTTTACTGGCATTGGATCTTGCACAGCC	82
YSS M(a)	1F	AAGACAAAGGTTGACAAGAACGATCCAAATGCCAGTAAGTGAACATTCAAATCTCCAAG	83
	1R	CTTACTGGCATTGGATCGTTCTTGTGCAACCTTTGTCTTGATATCACGTAAGTAATAGTC	84
YSS M(b)	1F	ACACTAAACCGACTTGAAGCCGTTTCAAGAACTCTGCAGAGAAATGTACCAGGATAAATTA	85
	1R	TCTGCAGAGTTTCTGAACGGCTTCAAGTCGGTTAGTGTTTTTAAGAAATTTGGATCTTG	86
ASS M(h)	1F	CTTGAAGAGATCGAACAGCTCTGCAGAGACGCTGGAGTTCTTC	87
	1R	CAGAGCTGTTTCGATCTTTCAAGTCGGTTTACTGGC	88
ASS M(i)	1F	AATTTCTTAAATTTGAACATTCAAATTTGAAGCCGTTTCAAGAACTCTGCAG	89
	1R	AAGTTGAATGTTCAATTTTAAAGAAATTTGGATCGTTCTTGTCAACCTTTG	90
ASS M(j)	1F	TICTTAAAATTTGAACATTCAAATTTCCAAGATCGAACAGCTCTGCAGAGACGCTGGAG	91
	1R	CTGTTTCGATCTGGAGATTTGAATGTTTCAATTTTAAAGAAATTTGGATCGTTCTTGTCAAC	92
ASS M(f)	1F	AAATCTAAATTTGGCTGTGCAAGATCCAAATTTCTTAAAAACTAAACCGACTTGAAGCC	93
	1R	TTTTAAGAAATTTGGATCTTGCACAGCAATTTAGATTTCAGCATGCAGGAAAAATCATA	94
ASS M(g)	1F	TGAACATTCAAATCTCCAAGATCGAACAGITTTGGAAGACGCTGGAGTTCTTCAAAAAC	95
	1R	TTCCATAAACTGTCGATCTIGGAGATTTGAATGTTCAACTTACTGGCATTGGATCGTT	96

## The Erg9 Complementation Assay

The Cali7-1 yeast line, which has an *erg9* deletion so that it cannot synthesize sterols de novo and requires exogenous ergosterol for growth, was used for these purposes (10). The various squalene synthase constructs were transformed into Cali7-1 yeast using the lithium acetate method and plated on Yeast Synthetic Drop-out medium (selection media) lacking uracil and containing 5 mg/l ergosterol. Three independent CALI7-1 transformants of each construct were randomly selected and grown in 2 mL Yeast Synthetic Drop-out media (Sigma) containing 5 mg/L ergosterol at 28° C. for three days (OD<sub>600</sub>=6.0±0.3 after three days of growth), after which the culture was serially diluted with water to optical densities (600 nm) equal to 1, 0.2, 0.04, and 0.008, and 5 µL of each dilution spotted onto Yeast Synthetic Drop-out media plates without any exogenous ergosterol. Plates were incubated at 28° C. for 72 hours.

Liquid cultures of each transformant in TN-7 line were grown in 10 mL of Yeast Synthetic Drop-out media containing 5 mg/L ergosterol at room temperature for seven days. Organic extracts were prepared and analyzed by GC-MS for their squalene content. In brief, 1 mL aliquots of the culture were combined with 1 mL of acetone, vigorously mixed, and incubated at room temperature for 10 min. One mL of hexane was added and mixed vigorously for 60 sec. The mixture was then centrifuged briefly at 500×g to separate the phases, and an aliquot of the organic phase removed and 1-2 µL aliquots analyzed by GC-MS with a Varian CP-3800 GC coupled to a Varian Saturn 2200 MS/MS (Varian Medical Systems) using a Supelco SLB-5 ms fused silica capillary column (30 m×0.25 mm×0.25 µm film thickness, Supelco). Initial oven temperature was set at 220° C. for 1 min., ramped to 280° C. at 20° C./min., then ramped to 300° C. at 3° C./min.

The various SS constructs were expressed in Cali-7 yeast and grown for 3 days before 1.5 ml of culture was collected by centrifugation and stored at -80 C until further analysis. Yeast pellets were resuspended in 0.5 ml buffer (50 mM NaH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>, pH 7.8, 300 mM NaCl, 1 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>, 1 mM PMSF, 1% glycerol (v/v)) then sonicated 3× for 5 sec with a microprobe sonicator at 60% maximum power. The samples were cooled on ice for 2 min between sonication treatments. The sonicate was centrifuged at 2,000 g for 10 min at 4° C. and the supernatant used in enzyme assays. Assays contained 50 mM Mops, pH 7.3, 20 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>, 2.5 mM 2-mercaptoethanol, 10 µM [1-<sup>3</sup>H]-FPP (~1×10<sup>5</sup> dpm total), 2 mM NADPH, and 5 µL cell lysate in total reaction volume of 50 µL. Reactions were incubated at 37° C. for 1 h and then extracted with 100 µl n-hexane and an aliquot spotted on silica-TLC plates with a squalene standard. TLC was developed with n-hexane and the squalene zone was visualized with iodine vapor, scraped and analyzed by

scintillation spectroscopy. The amount of total protein in the yeast supernatants was determined by Bradford Dye assays. Enzyme activity (pmole/h/µg total protein) is expressed as a percent of *S. cerevisiae* squalene synthase (YSS) enzyme activity. n=3.

## Creation and Expression of Fluorescent Protein Tagged Constructs

An assembly PCR strategy (described above) was used to create constructs in which either efGFP or DsRed1 was fused to the amino terminus of various squalene synthase enzymes connected by a (GSGG)<sub>2</sub> peptide linker sequence. Primers used to create these constructs are listed in Table 3 (restriction sites, if any, in bold). For example, efGFP-YSS was created by using efGFP as a template with the primer set, efGFP AscI For and efGFP 1r, to amplify the efGFP coding sequence with a 3' overhanging linker sequence, and using YSS as the template with the primer set, efGFP-YSS if and YSS XbaI Rev, to amplify YSS with a 5' overhanging linker sequence. These two fragments were both used as templates in a PCR reaction with the primer set, efGFP AscI For and YSS XbaI Rev, to give the efGFP-YSS construct, which was cloned into YEp352 with the corresponding restriction sites. Similarly, efGFP-BYB was created by using efGFP as the template with the primer set, efGFP AscI For and efGFP 1r, and using BSS-YSS-BSS as the template with the primer set, efGFP-BSS if and BSS XbaI Rev, in the initial PCR reaction and cloning the assembled product into YEp352 with the AscI and XbaI sites. DsRed1-BSS was created using DsRed1 as the template with the primer set, DsRed1 XhoI For and DsRed1 1r, and using BSS as the template with the primer set, DsRed1-BSS if and BSS NotI Rev, in the initial PCR reaction and cloning the assembled product into pESC-leu with the XhoI and NotI sites. DsRed1-BSS was also cloned into the YEp352 vector by amplifying the sequence with the primer set, DsRed1 AscI For and BSS XbaI Rev, and cloning into the corresponding restriction sites. efGFP-YSStr was created by using efGFP-YSS as the template with the primer set, efGFP AscI For and YSStr XbaI Rev, and cloning the amplified product into the corresponding sites of YEp352. All constructs were verified by automated DNA sequencing. A CFP-tagged ER-marker (Pho86p) was kindly provided by Dr. Peter Nagy (12).

Various combinations of fluorescent-tagged squalene synthases or a CFP-tagged ER marker were transformed into Cali-7 yeast. Positive transformants were identified by PCR screening and grown in Yeast-synthetic Drop-out media containing 5 mg/L ergosterol for three days. Cells were collected by brief centrifugation at 500×g and applied to glass adhesion microscope slides. Confocal laser scanning micrographs were acquired on an Olympus FV1000 microscope (Olympus America Inc., Melville, N.Y.).

TABLE 3

Fluorescence protein tagged squalene synthase construct primers			
gene/construct	primer	sequence	SEQ ID NO
efGFP	AscI For	<b>AGGCGCGCCAAAACAATGTCTAAAGGTGAAGAATTATTC</b>	97
DsRed1	XhoI For	<b>CCGCTCGAGAAAACAATGGTGCCTCTCCAAGAACGTC</b>	98
DsRed1	AscI For	<b>AGGCGCGCCAAAACAATGGTGCCTCTCCAAGAACGTC</b>	99
efGFP	1R	CATACCAGAACCACCACCAGAACCACCTTTGTACAATTCATCCATACCATGG	100
DsRed1	1R	CATACCAGAACCACCACCAGAACCACCCAGGAACAGGTGGTGGCGGCC	101
efGFP-YSS	1F	CAAAGGTGGTCTGGTGGTGGTCTGGTATGGGAAAGCTATTACAATTGGC	102
efGFP-BSS	1F	CAAAGGTGGTCTGGTGGTGGTCTGGTATGGGGATGCTTCGCTGGGGAGTGG	103
DsRed1-BSS	1F	CCTGGGTGGTCTGGTGGTGGTCTGGTATGGGGATGCTTCGCTGGGGAGTGG	104

TABLE 3-continued

Fluorescence protein tagged squalene synthase construct primers			
gene/construct	primer	sequence	SEQ ID NO
YSS	XbaI Rev	GCTCTAGATCACGCTCTGTGTAAGTGTATATA	105
YSStr	XbaI Rev	GCTCTAGATCACTTGTACTCTTCTTGTGGTTGG	106
BSS	NotI Rev	ATAAGAATGCGGCCGCTAGGCGCTGAGTGTGGGTCTAGG	107
BSS	XbaI Rev	GCTCTAGATTAGGCGCTGAGTGTGGGTCTAGG	108

Creating C-Terminus Squalene Synthase Constructs

Constructs to be tested in *S. cerevisiae* were created using the pESC-Leu vector (Agilent) which harbors the Gal1/Gal10 divergent promoter to allow for galactose induction of gene expression. Primers used to create these constructs are listed in Table 4 (restriction sites, if any, in bold). YSS-92 was created by PCR amplifying a portion of the YSS gene corresponding to the 92 C-terminal amino acids using the primer sets, YSS-92 EcoRI For and YSS NotI Rev, and YSS-92 BamHI For and YSS HindIII Rev, and cloning into pESC-Leu with the corresponding restriction enzyme sites. ASS-66 and YSS-64 were created in the same manner. ASS-YSS and YSS-ASS were created in a similar manner using YSS-ASS-YSS or ASS-YSS-ASS as the templates for PCR, respectively. BSS-YSS and YSS-BSS were created by using YSS-BSS-YSS or BSS-YSS-BSS as the template for PCR, respectively. BSS-YSS was only cloned into pESC-Leu with the EcoRI and NotI restriction sites (Gal10 promoter) due to a native BamHI restriction site in the BSS-YSS coding sequence. All constructs were verified by automated DNA sequencing.

TABLE 4

Primers for creating C-terminus squalene synthase constructs		
primer	sequence	SEQ ID NOS
YSS-92 EcoRI For	<b>GGAATT</b> CAAAACAATGAAATCTAAATTGGCTGTGCAAGATCC	109
YSS-92 BamHI For	CG <b>GGATCC</b> AAAACAATGAAATCTAAATTGGCTGTGCAAGATCC	110
YSS-64 EcoRI For	<b>GGAATT</b> CAAAACAATGTACCAGGATAAATTACCTCC	111
YSS-64 BamHI For	CG <b>GGATCC</b> AAAACAATGTACCAGGATAAATTACCTCC	112
YSS NotI Rev	ATAAGAAT <b>GCGGCCG</b> CTCACGCTCTGTGTAAGTGTATATAT	113
YSS HindIII Rev	AACCC <b>AAAGCTT</b> TTCACGCTCTGTGTAAGTGTATATAT	114
ASS-66 EcoRI For	<b>GGAATT</b> CAAAACAATGAAGACAAAGTTGACAAGAACGATCC	115
ASS-66 BamHI For	CG <b>GGATCC</b> AAAACAATGAAGACAAAGTTGACAAGAACGATCC	116
ASS NotI Rev	ATAAGAAT <b>GCGGCCG</b> CTCAGTTTGTCTTGAGATATGCAAAGAC	117
ASS HindIII Rev	AACCC <b>AAAGCTT</b> TTCAGTTTGTCTTGAGATATGCAAAGAC	118
BSS-109 EcoRI For	<b>GGAATT</b> CAAAACAATGGAAGTCAGATGCAACACCGAGACC	119
BSS NotI Rev	ATAAGAAT <b>GCGGCCG</b> CTTAGGCGCTGAGTGTGGGTCTAGG	120
BSS HindIII Rev	AACCC <b>AAAGCTT</b> TTAGGCGCTGAGTGTGGGTCTAGG	121

*Saccharomyces cerevisiae* Growth Inhibition Assays

Constructs were transformed into BY4741 yeast via the lithium acetate method and plated on Yeast-Synthetic Drop-out medium plates lacking uracil. Positive transformants were verified by PCR screening and grown in 2 mL of Yeast-Synthetic Drop-out medium for 4 days (OD<sub>600</sub> = 9.0 ± 0.1 after 4 days growth). Cultures were serially diluted with water to optical densities (600 nm) equal to 0.5, 0.1, 0.02, and 0.004, and 5 µL of each dilution was spotted on selection media containing either 2% glucose or 2% galactose as the carbon source. Pictures were taken after 4 days growth at 28° C.

The following Table 5 provides a cross reference for this disclosure.

TABLE 5

New Name	Name on tube
YSS-ASS-YSS	YSS-M(f)
ASS-YSS-ASS	ASS-M(f)
YSS-Ma	YSS-Md
YSS-Mb	YSS-Me
YSS-Mc	YSS-Ma
YSS-Md	YSS-Mb
YSS-Me	YSS-Mc
ASS-Mf	ASS-Md
ASS-Mg	ASS-Me
ASS-Mh	ASS-Ma
ASS-Mi	ASS-Mb
ASS-Mj	ASS-Mc

It will be understood that various details of the presently disclosed subject matter can be departed from the scope of the subject matter disclosed herein. Furthermore, the foregoing description is for purposes of illustration only, and not for the purpose of limitation.

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 20 25 30  
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Asn Arg Lys Ser Tyr Val Asn Asp Lys Gly Gln Pro Asn Ser Val Phe  
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 Ser Arg Ser His Tyr Ser Pro Ile Tyr Leu Ser Phe Ile Met Leu Leu  
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Glu Leu Tyr
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352 amino acids, followed by 330 bp coding for the carboxy
terminal 110 amino acids of the Botryococcus braunii squalene
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&lt;210&gt; SEQ ID NO 131

&lt;211&gt; LENGTH: 1257

&lt;212&gt; TYPE: DNA

&lt;213&gt; ORGANISM: Artificial Sequence

&lt;220&gt; FEATURE:

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<223> OTHER INFORMATION: Chimeric squalene synthase consisting of first
1,056 bp of the yeast squalene synthase gene coding for the first
352 amino acids, followed by 201 bp coding for the carboxy
terminal 67 amino acids of the Arabidopsis thaliana squalene
synthase

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&lt;210&gt; SEQ ID NO 132

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&lt;212&gt; TYPE: DNA

&lt;213&gt; ORGANISM: Artificial Sequence

&lt;220&gt; FEATURE:

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<223> OTHER INFORMATION: Chimeric squalene synthase consisting of first
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first 344 amino acids, followed by 276 bp coding for the carboxy
terminal 92 amino acids of the yeast squalene synthase

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&lt;220&gt; FEATURE:

&lt;221&gt; NAME/KEY: misc\_binding

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<210> SEQ ID NO 133  
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 <223> OTHER INFORMATION: Chimeric squalene synthase consisting of 1,062  
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 amino acids, followed by 201 bp coding for the carboxy terminal 67  
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 amino acids, followed by 273 bp coding for the carboxy terminal 91  
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&lt;210&gt; SEQ ID NO 135

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&lt;212&gt; TYPE: DNA

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&lt;220&gt; FEATURE:

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<223> OTHER INFORMATION: Chimeric squalene synthase consisting of 1,056
bp of the B. braunii squalene synthase gene coding for the first
352 amino acids, followed by 84 bp encoding for 28 amino acids of
a linker domain of the yeast squalene synthase, then 234 bp of
the B.

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&lt;220&gt; FEATURE:

&lt;221&gt; NAME/KEY: misc\_binding

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&lt;211&gt; LENGTH: 1344

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&lt;213&gt; ORGANISM: Artificial Sequence

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<223> OTHER INFORMATION: Chimeric squalene synthase consisting of 1,056
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amino acids, followed by 87 bp encoding for 29 amino acids of a
linker domain of the B. braunii squalene synthase, then 201 bp of
the yeast

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&lt;220&gt; FEATURE:

&lt;221&gt; NAME/KEY: misc\_binding

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<223> OTHER INFORMATION: Chimeric squalene synthase consisting of 1,056
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amino acids, followed by 78 bp encoding for 26 amino acids of a
linker domain of the Arabidopsis squalene synthase, then 201 bp of
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<221> NAME/KEY: misc_binding
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&lt;223&gt; OTHER INFORMATION: A. thaliana squalene synthase constructs cloned into YEp357

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&lt;221&gt; NAME/KEY: misc\_binding

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&lt;210&gt; SEQ ID NO 160

&lt;211&gt; LENGTH: 26

&lt;212&gt; TYPE: PRT

&lt;213&gt; ORGANISM: Trypanosoma cruzi

&lt;400&gt; SEQUENCE: 160

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&lt;213&gt; ORGANISM: Leishmania donovani

&lt;400&gt; SEQUENCE: 161

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Ser Leu Ala Ala Ala Ile Glu Arg Ile Asp
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The invention claimed is:

**1.** A compound consisting of an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOs: 1-12 and 161, wherein the compound inhibits fungal growth.

**2.** The compound of claim **1**, wherein the amino acid sequence is SEQ ID NO: 1.

**3.** The compound of claim **1**, wherein the amino acid sequence is selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOs: 2-12.

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