

## **Rnaspl**

Program for predicting exon-exon junction positions in cDNA sequences.

Recognition of exon-exon junctions in cDNA may be very useful for gene sequencing when starting with a sequence of cDNA clone. In a given cDNA sequence we need to select sites for PCR primers that (hopefully) lie in adjacent exons. Prediction is performed by linear discriminant function combining characteristics describing typical sequences around exon-exon junctions.

### **Accuracy:**

We can not predict exon-exon junction position with very high accuracy, because some important information is being lost during splicing. We predict positions marked by '\*', where 75% of potential exon-exon junctions are localized. Additionally, we mark '-' positions where exon-exon junctions are absent with probability about 90%. We recommend to select primer sequences in continuous '-' regions that do not cross '\*' or '-' positions.

### **Reference:**

Solovyev V.V., Salamov A.A., Lawrence C.B. Predicting internal exons by oligonucleotide composition and discriminant analysis of spliceable open reading frames. (Nucl. Acids Res., 1994, 22, 24, 5156-5163).

### **RNASPL output:**

First line - name of your sequence

Second line - your sequence

3rd line - '\*' shows potential exon-exon junction position (Pr > 0.75) '-' shows position where exon-exon junction is absent (Pr > 0.90) 'n' is nonanalyzed flanking position

For example:

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HSACHG7          690 bp      DNA          PRI          18-DEC-1990
   10           20           30           40           50           60
ATGGCGGCGACGGCGAGTGCCGGGGCCGGCGGGATGGACGGGAAGCCCCGTACCTCCCCT
nnnnnnnnnnnnnnnnnnnnnn-----*-----*-----
   70           80           90           100          110          120
AAGTCCGTCAAGTTCTTGGGGGGCCTGGCCGGGATGGGAGCTACAGTTTTTGTCCAG
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   130          140          150          160          170          180
CCCCTGGACCTGGTGAAGAACCGGATGCAGTTGAGCGGGGAAGGGGCCAAGACTCGAGAG
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   190          200          210          220          230          240
TACAAAACCAGCTTCCATGCCCTCACCAGTATCCTGAAGGCAGAAGGCCTGAGGGGCATT
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   250          260          270          280          290          300
TACACTGGGCTGTCGGCTGGCCTGCTGCGTCAGGCCACCTACACCACTACCCGCCTTGGC
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