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Domain Interactions and Close Vicinity of *trans* Reentrant Loops in the Na⁺-Citrate Transporter CitS of *Klebsiella pneumoniae* [(2010) *Biochemistry* *49*, 4509. DOI: 10.1021/bi100336s]. Adam Dobrowolski, Fabrizia Fusetti, and Juke S. Lolkema*

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Page 4511. *Mass Spectrometry Analysis*. Partially purified split CitS variants treated with sodium tetrathionate (NaTT) were separated by SDS–PAGE, using a 12% gel, and stained with Coomassie Brilliant Blue. Selected bands were cut from the gel. The pieces of gel were fragmented and destained in 50 mM ammonium bicarbonate with 50% acetonitrile. Reduction and alkylation of cysteine residues were achieved via incubation with 100 mM dithiothreitol, followed by iodoacetamide treatment. Acetonitrile-dehydrated pieces of the gel were reswollen via addition of 10 μ L of a 10 ng/ μ L trypsin solution and incubated overnight at 37 °C. Tryptic peptides were extracted twice with 30 μ L of 60% acetonitrile in 1% trifluoroacetic acid (TFA) in water and vacuum-dried.

Dried peptides were resuspended in 0.1% TFA and separated on a C18 capillary column (C18 PepMap 300, 75 μ m $\times$ 150 mm, 3 μ m particle size, LC-Packing, Amsterdam, The Netherlands) mounted on an UltiMate 3000 nanoflow liquid chromatography system (LC-Packing). Aqueous solutions of 0.05% TFA (A) and 80% acetonitrile with 0.05% TFA (B) were used for elution. A gradient from 4 to 40% B over 50 min was used at a flow rate of 300 nL/min. Column effluent was mixed in a 1:4 (v/v) ratio with a solution of 2.3 mg/mL α -cyano-4-hydroxycinnamic acid (LaserBio Laboratories, Sophia-Antipolis, France) in a 60% ACN/0.07% TFA mixture. Fractions of 12 s were spotted on a blank MALDI target with a Probot MALDI spotter system (Dionex). Mass spectrometric analysis was conducted with a MALDI-TOF/TOF 4800 Proteomics Analyzer (Applied Biosystems) in the range of m/z 600–4000, in positive ion mode. Peptides with signal-to-noise levels of > 50 were selected for MS/MS fragmentation. Matching of the MSMS spectra to the CitS sequences was performed with Mascot, version 2.1 (Matrix Science, London, U.K.).

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