

Characterization of three new manganese peroxidase genes from the ligninolytic basidiomycete *Ceriporiopsis subvermispora*

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Three new genes (*Cs-mnp2A*, *Cs-mnp2B* and *Cs-mnp3*) coding for manganese- dependent peroxidase (MnP) have been identified in the white-rot basidiomycete *Ceriporiopsis subvermispora*. The mature proteins contain 366 (MnP2A and MnP2B) and 364 (MnP3) amino acids, which are preceded by leader sequences of 21 and 24 amino acids, respectively. *Cs-mnp2A* and *Cs-mnp2B* appear to be alleles, since the corresponding protein sequences differ in only five residues. The upstream region of *Cs-mnp2B* contains a TATA box, AP-1 and AP-2 sites, as well as sites for transcription regulation by metals (two), cAMP (two) and xenobiotics (one). Some of these elements are also found in the regulatory region of *Cs-MnP3*. Transcription of *Cs-mnp2A* and *Cs-mnp2B*, but not that of *Cs-mnp3*, is activated by manganese. (C) 2000 Elsevier Science B.V.