

# The *S. cerevisiae* *CDC25* Gene Product Regulates the *RAS*/Adenylate Cyclase Pathway

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## Summary

The gene corresponding to the *S. cerevisiae* cell division cycle mutant *cdc25* has been cloned and sequenced, revealing an open reading frame encoding a protein of 1589 amino acids that contains no significant homologies with other known proteins. Cells lacking *CDC25* have low levels of cyclic AMP and decreased levels of  $Mg^{2+}$ -dependent adenylate cyclase activity. The lethality resulting from disruption of the *CDC25* gene can be suppressed by the presence of the activated *RAS2<sup>val19</sup>* gene, but not by high copy plasmids expressing a normal *RAS2* or *RAS1* gene. These results suggest that normal *RAS* is dependent on *CDC25* function. Furthermore, mutationally activated alleles of *CDC25* are capable of inducing a set of phenotypes similar to those observed in strains containing a genetically activated *RAS*/adenylate cyclase pathway, suggesting that *CDC25* encodes a regulatory protein. We propose that *CDC25* regulates adenylate cyclase by regulating the guanine nucleotide bound to *RAS* proteins.

## Introduction

It is generally assumed that *RAS* proteins have a fundamental role in a wide variety of eukaryotic organisms, since they are so well conserved in evolution (Muller et al., 1982; Shilo and Weinberg, 1981; Defeo-Jones et al., 1983; Powers et al., 1984; Neuman-Silberberg et al., 1984). Many tumor cells contain mutationally activated *RAS* genes capable of tumorigenic transformation of established cell lines (for review see Bishop, 1985). In mammalian cells, neither the target of *RAS* proteins nor the regulation of *RAS* proteins is understood. The yeast *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* provides a good experimental system for understanding *RAS* function. First, the yeast *RAS* proteins are structurally related to their mammalian counterparts (Defeo-Jones et al., 1983; Powers et al., 1984), and like the mammalian *RAS* proteins they are capable of binding and hydrolyzing guanine nucleotides (Gibbs et al., 1984; Sweet et al., 1984; McGrath et al., 1984; Tamanoi et al., 1985). Second, yeast cells carrying the *RAS2<sup>val19</sup>* mutation, a mutation analogous to the oncogenic human *H-ras<sup>val12</sup>*, show a dominant phenotype including failure to arrest properly in G1 (Kataoka et al., 1984). Third, yeast cells lacking *RAS* function arrest in G1 (Kataoka et al., 1985a), a phenotype similar to that observed for mammalian cells after injection of a *ras*-specific monoclonal antibody (Mulcahy et al., 1985). Fourth, the lethality that

normally results from loss of yeast *RAS* function can be suppressed by the human *H-ras* gene (Kataoka et al., 1985a). Finally, the yeast *RAS* proteins are positive regulators of yeast adenylate cyclase (Toda et al., 1985; Broek et al., 1985), and although this function may not be conserved in evolution (Birchmeier et al., 1985), the human *H-ras* protein is also a potent activator of the yeast adenylate cyclase (Broek et al., 1985). Because of the structural, biochemical, and functional homology between the yeast and human *RAS* proteins, we are interested in identifying gene products in yeast that influence *RAS* function. Among these gene products will be proteins that are able to interact directly with the mammalian *RAS* proteins and that may have domains and functions which are conserved in evolution. In our attempt to identify such interacting proteins, we have investigated the temperature-sensitive cell division cycle (*cdc*) mutant *cdc25*, which causes G1 arrest at the nonpermissive temperature (Hartwell et al., 1973; Hartwell, 1974). In experiments presented here, we describe the cloning of the *CDC25* gene, present its DNA sequence, and demonstrate the involvement of *CDC25* in the control of the *RAS*/adenylate cyclase pathway.

## Results

### Cloning and Sequencing of *CDC25*

To isolate the *CDC25* gene, we screened libraries of yeast DNA for genes capable of restoring growth at the nonpermissive temperature to a *cdc25-1* strain. We used strain 25-1 and TT25-6 for our screening (see Table 1 for descriptions of these and all other strains referred to below). Two libraries were used for this purpose. One library carried a *URA3* gene on a centromere-linked plasmid, and the other carried a *LEU2* gene on a high copy plasmid (see Experimental Procedures). After transformation, *Ura<sup>+</sup>* or *Leu<sup>+</sup>* transformants were selected at the permissive temperature and replica-plated at 35°C. Several transformants were able to grow at the higher temperature. Analysis of the plasmids from these transformants showed that two different yeast chromosomal loci were represented. The sequence of one of these genes, *TPK1*, indicated that it encodes a protein highly homologous to the catalytic subunit of the mammalian cAMP-dependent protein kinase (T. Toda unpublished data, and see below). The other gene was shown to be allelic to the *cdc25* locus by integrative mapping and complementation analysis (see Experimental Procedures). Restriction endonuclease cleavage maps of the yeast genomic inserts from the *CDC25* locus are shown in Figure 1.

A 2.0 kb *Bgl*III-*Sph*I fragment of the *CDC25* clones that retained complementing activity was sequenced (Figure 1). Sequencing was continued until we had sequenced the entire open reading frame from this locus. The *CDC25* gene contains an open reading frame of 4767 nucleotides with the capacity to encode a protein of 1589 amino acids (Figure 2). An in-frame stop codon was found 13 codons upstream of the first methionine codon of the open read-

Table 1. Genotypes of Yeast Strains Used for These Studies

Strain	Genotype <sup>a</sup>
TT1A-1 <sup>b</sup>	<i>MATα his3 leu2 ura3 trp1 ade8 cdc25::URA3 pCDC25(TRP1)-1.</i>
TT1A-2	<i>MATα his3 leu2 ura3 trp1 ade8 cdc25::URA3 pCDC25(LEU2)-3.</i>
TT1A-3	<i>MATα his3 leu2 ura3 trp1 ade8 cdc25::URA3 pTPK1.</i>
TT1A-4	<i>MATα his3 leu2 ura3 trp1 ade8 cdc25::URA3 pCDC25(LEU2)-2.</i>
TT1A-5	<i>MATα his3 leu2 ura3 trp1 ade8 cdc25::URA3 pRAS2<sup>val19</sup>.</i>
TMHS-20	<i>MATα his3 leu2 ura3 trp1 ade8 cdc25::URA3 pCDC25<sup>HS</sup>(LEU2)-20.</i>
SP1	<i>MATα his3 leu2 ura3 trp1 ade8 can1.</i>
SP12	<i>MATα his3 leu2 ura3 trp1 ade8 can1 pTPK1.</i>
TTSD1	A diploid strain formed by mating SP1 and DC124.
DC124	<i>MATα leu2 trp1 ura3 ade8 his4.</i>
TT25-1	<i>MATα his3 leu2 trp1 can1 cdc25-1.</i>
TK161-R2V	<i>MATα his3 leu2 ura3 trp1 ade8 can1 RAS2<sup>val19</sup>.</i>
TMRV-25	<i>MATα his3 leu2 ura3 trp1 ade8 can1 RAS2<sup>val19</sup> cdc25::URA3.</i>
TT25-6 <sup>c</sup>	<i>MATα leu2 ura3 trp1 can1 cdc25-1.</i>
TTS3801	<i>MATα/MATα his3/HIS3 his4/HIS4 leu2/leu2 ura3/ura3 trp1/trp1 ade8/ade8 can1/CAN1 cdc25::URA3/CDC25.</i>
25-1	<i>MATα leu2 ura1 ade2 cdc25-1.</i>
JR26-19B	<i>MATα leu2 his3 ura3 ade2 can1 lys1.</i>
TR56	A diploid strain formed by mating TT25-1 and JR26-19B.
TTS1201 <sup>d</sup>	A <i>His3<sup>+</sup></i> strain formed by transforming TR56 with the <i>NcoI</i> linearized <i>pCDC25(HIS3)-1</i> .
TTS1203 <sup>d</sup>	An independent transformant similar to TTS1201.
TTS1204 <sup>d</sup>	An independent transformant similar to TTS1201.
TTS1202 <sup>d</sup>	An independent transformant similar to TTS1201.

<sup>a</sup> See Experimental Procedures for nomenclature used here and throughout the text. pXXX indicates that the given strain contain a particular extrachromosomal plasmid.

<sup>b</sup> TT1A-1 is a segregant of the strain TTS3801 after transformation with *pCDC25(TRP1)-1*.

<sup>c</sup> TT25-6 is a segregant of a diploid that was formed by mating 25-1 (Hartwell et al., 1973) with SP1.

<sup>d</sup> See integrative mapping under Experimental Procedures.

ing frame. Northern blot analysis indicates that the transcript from this locus is 5.3 kb in length, suggesting that the entire open reading frame is used (data not shown). However, the *BglIII-SphI* fragment of the *CDC25* gene (see *pCDC25(TRP1)-1* in Figure 1), encoding amino acid positions 876 to 1552, retained complementing activity, indicating that only a portion of the *CDC25* gene is required for its essential function.

### Suppression of *cdc25<sup>-</sup>* Growth Defects by Genes of the *RAS/Adenylate Cyclase Pathway*

We first tested whether, as expected, disruption of the *CDC25* gene caused growth arrest in haploid cells. For this purpose, we constructed a diploid strain, TTS3801, in which one *CDC25* allele was disrupted by the *URA3* auxotrophic marker (see Experimental Procedures). Tetrad analysis indicated that haploid spores lacking the *CDC25* gene were generally incapable of germination. In a few instances, such spores germinated and underwent a limited number of doublings. The diploid strain TTS3801, which is *trp1/trp1*, was then transformed with the plasmid *pCDC25-(TRP1)-1*, which contains the complementing *BglIII-SphI* fragment of the *CDC25* gene, *ARS1*, and *TRP1* on a multicopy extrachromosomal replicating yeast plasmid (see Figure 1). One of the resulting *Trp<sup>+</sup>* transformants was sporulated and gave rise to haploid progeny strain TT1A-1, which lacks a chromosomal *CDC25* gene but carries an active *BglIII-SphI* fragment of *CDC25* gene on the extrachromosomal plasmid. *ARS1*-containing plasmids of this type are normally unstable in the absence of selective pressure. However, *pCDC25(TRP1)-1* was not lost from TT1A-1 even when this strain was grown for many genera-

tions in rich medium containing tryptophan. Experiments described below show the plasmid had not integrated into the yeast genome. These results confirm that a functional *CDC25* gene is required for vegetative growth.

To explore the relationship between the *CDC25* product and the genes encoding members of the *RAS*/adenylate cyclase pathway, we assayed the stability of the plasmid *pCDC25(TRP1)-1* in strain TT1A-1 after transformation with high copy plasmids containing various genes. For this purpose we used the YEp213 plasmid, which contains only the *LEU2* marker, as well as *pRAS1-2*, *pRAS2-1*, *pRAS2<sup>val19</sup>*, *pTPK1*, *pCYR1-11*, and *pCDC25(LEU2)-2* (see Table 2 and Experimental Procedures for a description of these plasmids). After transformation of these plasmids into TT1A-1, *Leu<sup>+</sup>* transformants were selected. If cells contained a suppressor of *cdc25<sup>-</sup>*, the *Trp<sup>+</sup>* phenotype would become unstable. To test this, the *Leu<sup>+</sup>* transformants were grown without selection in YPD (rich) medium for 48 hr and plated onto YPD. The resulting colonies were replica plated onto YPD and onto tryptophan prototrophic medium (see Table 2). The *pCDC25(TRP1)-1* plasmid was not lost from any of the *Leu<sup>+</sup>* transformants carrying YEp213, *pRAS1-2*, or *pRAS2-1*. Thus, high copy plasmids carrying the *RAS1* or *RAS2* genes do not suppress *cdc25<sup>-</sup>*. In contrast *pCDC25(TRP1)-1* was readily lost from the transformants carrying *pCDC25(LEU2)-2*, *pRAS2<sup>val19</sup>*, or *pTPK1*. The *pCDC25(TRP1)-1* plasmid could also be lost, although at a lower frequency, from transformants carrying *pCYR1-11*. These demonstrate that the growth defect of cells lacking *CDC25* can be suppressed by high copy plasmids encoding *RAS2<sup>val19</sup>* protein, the catalytic subunit of cAMP-dependent protein kinase

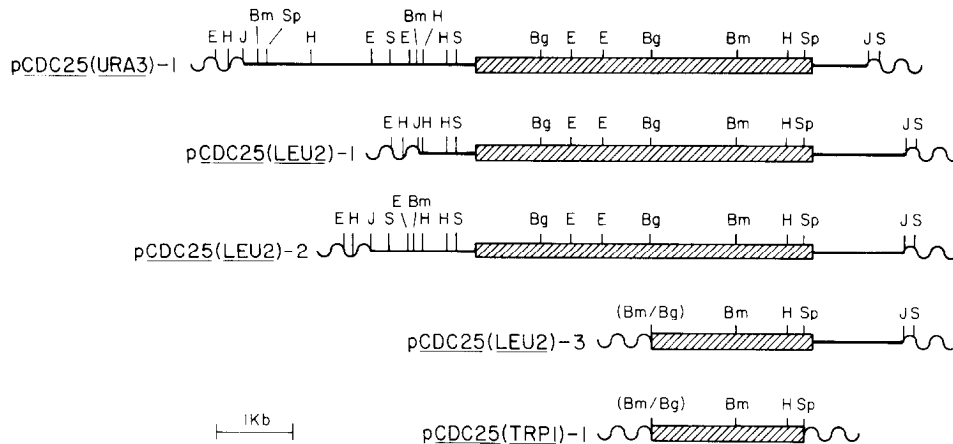


Figure 1. Structure of the *CDC25* Gene and Plasmids Used for These Studies

Restriction maps of the inserts and flanking regions of vectors are shown for the *CDC25* containing plasmids used for these studies. Coding sequences for the *CDC25* gene are indicated by hatched bars. J represents a junction between an insert DNA and the vector. Wavy lines represent flanking vector sequences. *pCDC25(URA3)-1* was isolated from a YCp50 genomic library as a suppressor of the temperature-sensitive phenotype of yeast strain TT25-6. *pCDC25(LEU2)-1* and *pCDC25(LEU2)-2* were isolated from a YEp13 genomic library as a suppressor of the temperature-sensitive phenotype of strain 25-1. The construction of *pCDC25(TRP1)-1* and *pCDC25(LEU2)-3* is described in Experimental Procedures. Abbreviations used are as follows: Bm, BamHI; Bg, BglII; E, EcoRI; H, HindIII; S, Sall; Sp, SphI.

(*TPK1*), or adenylate cyclase (*CYR1*). These results suggest that *CDC25* may participate in the *RAS*/adenylate cyclase pathway.

#### Altered Adenylate Cyclase Activity in Cells Lacking *CDC25*

We investigated the possible interaction of *CDC25* with the adenylate cyclase pathway at the biochemical level. For this purpose, we first measured cAMP levels in yeast strains lacking chromosomal *CDC25* but carrying high copy suppressor plasmids. Strain TT1A-3 carried *pTPK1*, which expresses the catalytic subunit of the cAMP-dependent protein kinase (cAPK), and strain TT1A-4 carried *pCDC25(LEU2)-2*, which contains the full-length *CDC25* gene. As shown in Table 3, strain TT1A-3, which lacks *CDC25*, has only 15%–30% of the cAMP level of strain TT1A-4, which contains a functional *CDC25* gene. To rule out the possibility that the high copy *TPK1* plasmid resulted in reduction of cAMP levels by negative feedback, we compared the levels of cAMP present in a wild-type strain, SP1, to the levels in the same strain harboring the high copy *TPK1* plasmid. No differences in cAMP levels were observed (Table 3). Thus, we conclude that cells lacking *CDC25* function cannot maintain normal levels of cAMP.

We next tested whether the disruption of the *CDC25* gene affected adenylate cyclase as assayed *in vitro*. Membranes were prepared from various yeast strains, and adenylate cyclase activity was measured in the presence of  $Mn^{2+}$ , which measures the amount of adenylate cyclase catalytic subunit independent of *RAS* and guanine nucleotides (Casperson et al., 1983; Toda et al., 1985; Broek et al., 1985). Strains lacking *CDC25* and strains containing *CDC25* did not show dramatic differences in the levels of adenylate cyclase activity when assayed in

the presence of  $Mn^{2+}$  (see Table 4). Thus, *CDC25* does not appear to directly affect the amount of adenylate cyclase. However, strains lacking *CDC25* showed less than 10% of the  $Mg^{2+}$ -dependent adenylate cyclase activity observed in strains containing *CDC25*.

We have previously shown that in the presence of  $Mg^{2+}$ , yeast adenylate cyclase activity is *RAS*-dependent. *RAS* proteins must bind guanine triphosphates (GTP or Gpp(NH)p, a nonhydrolyzable analogue of GTP) to effectively stimulate adenylate cyclase (Toda et al., 1985; Broek et al., 1985; J. Field, unpublished data). This probably accounts for the stimulation of adenylate cyclase activity by Gpp(NH)p in wild-type strain backgrounds (Casperson et al., 1983; Toda et al., 1985). The addition of Gpp(NH)p to membranes from the strain lacking *CDC25* stimulated the  $Mg^{2+}$ -dependent adenylate cyclase activity to a level similar to that seen in strains with wild-type backgrounds (see Table 4 and Figure 3). Indeed, the guanine nucleotide concentration required to stimulate adenylate cyclase in strains without *CDC25* function is very similar to the concentration required in wild-type strains (Figure 3). Thus, the *RAS* proteins in membranes lacking *CDC25* are capable of function. However, the lower levels of  $Mg^{2+}$ -dependent adenylate cyclase activity (in the absence of Gpp(NH)p) seen in membranes from the strain lacking *CDC25*, TT1A-3, could indicate that basal levels of *RAS* function may be impaired.

#### Effects of *CDC25* Disruption in Strains Containing Single Copy *RAS2<sup>val19</sup>*

We previously showed that high copy plasmids expressing *RAS2<sup>val19</sup>*, but not wild-type *RAS2*, can suppress the lethality that otherwise results from disruption of *CDC25* (Table 2). This is true even for cells containing a single copy of *RAS2<sup>val19</sup>*. The strain TK161-R2V (see Table 1) was

-312  
-281 AATTTCGGTAAAACAGCACTTTAAACATCGGGGAGACGGTACTTTGACAGAGACCTGGAGGAAAAATAAAATAGAAAAATAAGCTCAAAAGTTACAGAGAAAACCTGCATCCACCAACCG  
-162 CGGGAGACAGTTATAGTACTTGATCACCCTGAAAGCAATTCCTTTAGTTAGATAGACTGTTCTTTTCGGAAAGAAATGAATAAAAAGAGCCACATTTTCTTCGAATAAACTACTAA

1  
-43 AAAATAA AAC GAA AAA GCA AGG TGG ATA TTG GAT AGT TGT ATC ATG TCC GAT ACT AAC ACG TCT ATT CCC AAT ACA AGT TCT GCA AGG GAG

17 MET SER ASP THR ASN THR SER ILE PRO ASN THR SER SER ALA ARG GLU  
49 ALA GLY ASN ALA SER GLN THR PRO SER ILE SER SER SER ASN THR SER THR THR THR ASN THR GLU SER SER SER ALA SER LEU SER  
GCA GGC AAT GCT TCA CAA ACT CCA TCG ATC AGC TCT TCA TCT ASN THR SER ACC ACT ACC ACT AAC ACA GAA TCA TCC TCA GTG TCT GTT TCT

47 SER SER PRO SER THR SER GLU LEU THR SER ILE ARG PRO ILE GLY ILE VAL VAL ALA ALA TYR ASP PHE ASN TYR PRO ILE LYS LYS ASP  
139 TCT TCC CCC TCG ACA AGT GAG TTG ACC AGC ATT CGT CCA ATT GGA ATA GTA GTC GCT GCT TAT GAC TTT AAT TAT CCC ATT AAA AAA GAC

77 SER SER SER GLN LEU LEU SER VAL GLN GLN GLY GLU THR ILE TYR ILE LEU ASN LYS ASN SER SER GLY TRP TRP ASP GLY LEU VAL ILE  
229 AGT TCT TCG CAA CTT TTG TCT GTA CAA CAA GGG GAA ACC ATT TAT ATA CTT AAC AAA AAC TCA TCT GGG TGG TGG GAT GGA TTA GTT ATT

187 ASP ASP SER ASN GLY LYS VAL ASN ARG GLY TRP PHE PRO GLN ASN PHE GLY ARG PRO LEU ARG ASP SER HIS LEU ARG LYS HIS SER HIS  
319 GAC GAC AGT AAT GGG AAA GTT AAC AGA GGC TGG TTT CCT CAA AAC TTC GGT AGA CCT TTA AGA GAC AGT CAT CTC AGA AAG CAC AGT CAT

137 PRO MET LYS LYS TYR SER SER SER LYS SER SER ARG ARG SER SER LEU ASN SER LEU GLY ASN SER ALA TYR LEU HIS VAL PRO ARG ASN  
489 CCG ATG AAA AAA TAT AGT TCC AGT TCC AGT TCA AGG CGC AGC AGC LEU ASN SER TTA AAT AAC AAA AAC TCA TCT GGC AAT AGT GCA TTA GTT ATT

167 PRO SER LYS SER ARG ARG GLY SER SER THR LEU SER ALA SER LEU SER ASN ALA HIS ASN ALA GLU THR SER SER GLY HIS ASN ASN THR  
499 CCG AGC AAG AGC AGG AGG GGG AGT TCT ACT TTA TCA GCG TCT TTA TCA AAT GCC CAC AAT GCA GAA ACA AGT TCC GGC CAC AAT AAC ACC

197 VAL SER MET ASN ASN SER PRO PHE SER ALA PRO ASN ASP ALA SER HIS ILE THR PRO GLN SER SER ASN PHE ASN SER ASN ALA SER LEU  
589 GTA TCG AAT AAT TCT CCC TTT TCA CCG CCA AAT ACT TCC TCC TCA AAT TTA TCA GCG TCT TTA TCA AAT GCC CAC AAT GCA GAA ACA AGT TCC GGC CAC AAT AAC ACC

227 SER GLN ASP MET THR LYS SER ALA ASP GLY SER SER GLU MET ASN THR ASN ALA ILE MET ASN ASN ASN GLU THR ASN LEU GLN THR SER  
679 TCC CAG GAT ATG ACA AAG AGT GCA GAT GGC TCA TCT GAG ATG AAT ACA AAC GCA ATT ATG AAT AAC AAT GAA ACA AAT TTA CAA ACT TCT

257 GLY GLU LYS ALA GLY PRO PRO LEU VAL ALA GLU GLU THR ILE LYS ILE LEU PRO LEU GLU GLU ILE GLU MET ILE ILE ASN GLY ILE ARG  
769 GGT GAG AAA GAA GGT CCC CCA CTA GTA GCA GAA GAA ACA ATT AAG ATA TTA CCG TTG GAA GAG ATA GAA ATG ATT ATT AAT GGT ATA CGT

287 SER ASN ILE ALA SER THR TRP SER PRO ILE PRO LEU ILE THR LYS THR SER ASP TYR LYS LEU VAL TYR TYR ASN LYS ASP LEU ASP ILE  
859 TCG AAC ATT GCT TCG ACT TGG TCC CCC ATA CCA CTG ATA ACG AAA ACA TCC GAT TAC AAG TTG GTA TAC TAT AAC AAA GAC CTT GAT ATA

317 TYR CYS SER GLU LEU PRO LEU ILE SER ASN SER ILE MET GLU SER ASP ASP ILE CYS ASP SER GLU PRO LYS PHE PRO PRO ASN ASP HIS  
949 TAC TGT TCA GAA TTA CCC TTG ATT TCT AAC TCA ATT ATG GAA TCC GAT GAC ATT TGT GAC AGC GAA CCA AAA TTC CCG CCC AAT GAT CAT

347 LEU VAL ASN LEU TYR THR ARG ASP LEU ARG LYS ASN ALA ASN ILE GLU ASP SER SER THR ARG SER LYS GLN SER SER GLU SER GLU GLN ASN  
1039 CTT GTT AAC CTA TAT ACT AGA GAT CTG AGG AAA AAT GCG AAT ATT GAG GAC AGT TCT ACG AGA TCG AAG CAA TCG GAA AGT GAA CAA AAT

377 ARG SER SER LEU LEU MET GLU LYS GLN ASP SER LYS GLU THR ASP GLY ASN ASN ASN SER ILE ASN ASP ASP ASP ASN ASN ASN GLU ASN  
1129 AGA TCA AGC CTT CTA ATG GAA AAA CAG GAT TCA AAA GAA ACT GAT GGA AAT AAT AAC AGT ATT AAT GAT GAT GAT AAT AAT AAC GAA AAT

407 ASN LYS ASN GLU PHE ASN GLU ALA GLY PRO SER SER LEU ASN SER LEU SER ALA PRO ASP LEU THR GLN ASN ILE GLN SER ARG VAL VAL  
1219 AAC AAA AAC GAA TTC AAT GAG GCT GGT CCT TCA TCA TTA AAT TCT TTA TCT GCT AAT TTA ACG GAG AAT ATT CAA TCA AGG GTA GAT GAT

437 ALA PRO SER ARG SER SER ILE LEU ALA LYS SER ASP ILE PHE TYR HIS TYR SER ARG ASP ILE LYS LEU TRP THR GLU LEU GLN ASP LEU  
1309 GCC CCA AGT GGC TCT TCT ATA CTG GCC AAG AGT GAC ATC TTT TAT CAC TAT TCA AGA GAT ATA AAA TTG TGG ACA GAA TTA CAA GAC CTA

467 THR VAL TYR TYR THR LYS THR ALA HIS LYS MET PHE LEU LYS GLU ASN ARG LEU ASN PHE THR LYS TYR PHE ASP LEU ILE SER ASP SER  
1399 ACA GTT TAT TAT ACT AAA ACG GCT CAC AAG ATG TTC CTT AAA GAG AAT CGT CTC AAT TTC ACG AAA TAC TTT GAT TTG ATA TCA GAT TCA

497 ILE VAL PHE THR GLN LEU GLY CYS ARG LEU MET GLN HIS GLU ILE LYS ALA LYS SER CYS SER LYS GLU ILE LYS LYS ILE PHE LYS GLY  
1489 ATA GTC TTC ACA CAG TTA GGC TGC AGG CTA ATG CAA CAT GAA ATT AAA GCC AAA AGT TGC AGC AAG GAG ATT AAG AAG ATT TTC AAA GGT

527 LEU ILE SER SER LEU SER ARG ILE SER ILE ASN SER HIS LEU TYR PHE ASP SER ALA PHE HIS ARG LYS LYS MET ASP THR MET ASN ASP  
1579 CTA ATC TCT TCA AGG ATA AGT AAT TCA TCA GCT TTT CAC AGA AAA AAA AAT GAT GAT ACT ATG AAT GAC

557 LYS ASP ASN ASP ASN GLN GLU ASN ASN CYS SER ARG THR GLU GLY ASP ASP GLY LYS ILE GLU VAL ASP SER VAL HIS ASP LEU VAL SER  
1669 AAG GAT AAC GAT AAT CAG GAA AAT AAT TGT TCT AGG ACG GAA GGG GAT GAT GGT AAA ATT GAA GTA GAT AGT GTA CAT GAT CTA GTT TCA

587 VAL PRO LEU SER GLY LYS ARG ASN VAL SER THR SER THR THR ASP THR LEU THR PRO MET ARG SER SER PHE SER THR VAL ASN GLU ASN  
1759 GTT CCA TTG TCC GGT AAA CGT AAT GTA GAT ACC AGT ACA ACG GAT ACA TTG ACT CCA ATG AGA TCA TCA TCT AGT ACA GTC AAT GAG AAC

617 ASP MET GLU ASN PHE SER VAL LEU GLN SER VAL LEU GLY PRO ARG ASN SER VAL ASN SER VAL VAL THR PRO ARG THR SER ILE GLN ASN SER THR LEU GLU  
1849 GAT ATG GAA AAT TTC TCA GTC TTA GGT CCA AGA AAT AGT GTT AAT TCT GTC GTA ACA CCA AGG ACT TCA ATA CAA AAT TCT ACT TTG GAA

647 ASP PHE SER PRO SER ASN LYS ASN PHE LYS SER ALA LYS SER ILE TYR GLU MET VAL ASP VAL GLU PHE SER LYS PHE LEU ARG HIS VAL  
1939 GAT TTT TCA CCG TCC AAC AAA AAT TTT AAG TCA GCT AAA TCG ATT TAC GAA ATG GTT GAT GTG GAA TTC TCG AAA TTT TTA AGG CAT GTT

677 GLN LEU LEU TYR PHE VAL LEU GLN SER SER VAL PHE SER ASP ASP ASN THR LEU PRO GLN LEU LEU PRO ARG PHE PHE LYS GLY SER PHE  
2029 CAG TTA CTT TAT TTT GTG TTA CAG AGC TCA GTC TCT TCA GAT GAT AAT ACT TTA CCA CAG TTG CTC CCA AGA TTT PHE AAA GGT TCA TTT

707 SER GLY GLY SER TRP THR ASN PRO PHE SER THR PHE ILE THR ASP GLU PHE GLY ASN ALA THR LYS ASN LYS ALA VAL THR SER ASN GLU  
2119 AGC GGT GGT TCT TGG ACA AAT CCA TTT TCG ACT TTT ATT ACG GAT GAA TTT GGT AAT GCG ACA AAG AAC AAA GCT GTC ACA TCT AAT GAA

737 VAL THR ALA SER SER SER LYS ASN SER SER ILE SER ARG ILE PRO PRO LYS MET ALA ASP ALA ILE ALA SER ALA SER GLY TYR SER ALA  
2209 GTG ACC GCT TCG TCG TCC AAA AAT TCC TCA ATA TCA AGG ATT CCA CCA AAG ATG GCA GAT GCT ATT GCC TCT GCG TCA GGA TAT AGC GCT

767 ASN SER GLU THR ASN SER GLN ILE ASP LEU LYS ALA SER SER ALA ALA SER GLY SER VAL PHE THR PRO PHE ASN ARG PRO SER HIS ASN  
2299 AAT TCA GAA ACA AAT TCC CAA ATT GAT TTA AAA GCA AGC AGT GCC GCG TCT GGT TCA GTT TTT ACA CCT TTC AAC CGT CCT TCT CAT AAC

797 ARG THR PHE SER ARG ALA ARG VAL SER LYS ARG LYS LYS LYS TYR PRO LEU THR VAL ASP THR LEU ASN THR MET LYS LYS LYS SER SER  
2389 AGA ACC TTT TCA AGA GCA AGA GTT TCA AAA AGG AAG AAA AAA TAT CCA TTA ACT GAC ACT TTG AAT ACA ATG AAG AAA AAG AAA TCC TCG

827 GLN ILE PHE GLU LYS LEU ASN ASN ALA THR GLY GLU HIS LEU LYS ILE ILE SER LYS PRO LYS SER ARG ILE ARG ASN LEU GLU ILE ASN  
2479 CAA ATT TTT GAA AAA TTA AAT AAT GCT ACA GGT GAA CAC TTA AAA ATT ATA AGT AAA CCC AAA AGC AGA ATT AGG AAT TTG GAA ATA AAT

857 SER SER THR TYR GLU GLN ILE ASN GLN ASN VAL LEU LEU LEU LEU ILE LEU GLU ASN LEU ASP LEU SER ILE PHE ILE ASN LEU LYS ASN  
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Figure 2. Nucleotide Sequence and Deduced Amino Acid Sequence of the *CDC25* Gene

The nucleotide sequence and the deduced amino acid sequence of the one long open reading frame of *CDC25* are presented. In-frame stop codons, upstream and downstream from the putative first methionine, are indicated by the asterisks. Coordinates in the left margin indicate nucleotide and amino acid positions and are used throughout this paper. The boxed region around nucleotide position 2635 represents the BglIII site used for the construction of *pCDC25(LEU2)-3* and *pCDC25(TRP1)-1*. The oval indicates the position of the first methionine following the BglIII site and thus is the putative first methionine of the *CDC25* protein expressed by *pCDC25(LEU2)-3* and *pCDC25(TRP1)-1*. The boxed region around nucleotide position 4652 indicates the SphI site used for the construction of *pCDC25(LEU2)-3*.

readily transformed with the 3.2 kb *SalI* fragment of *pCDC25::URA3* (see Experimental Procedures) with a resulting disruption of the *CDC25* locus (Southern blotting data not shown). These transformants display the *RAS2<sup>val19</sup>* phenotypes of heat-shock and starvation sensitivity (see Figures 4 and 5). There is a minor attenuation of the *RAS2<sup>val19</sup>* phenotype in *cdc25<sup>-</sup>* strains (see Figure 4B). These results prove that the effects of *RAS2<sup>val19</sup>* do not require *CDC25*, although the *RAS2<sup>val19</sup>* gene product may show a minor dependence on the *CDC25* product. It was therefore of interest to examine the biochemical properties of adenylate cyclase in strains lacking *CDC25* but containing *RAS2<sup>val19</sup>*.

We have previously shown that membranes prepared for yeast strains carrying the activated *RAS2<sup>val19</sup>* mutation have elevated levels of  $Mg^{2+}$ -dependent adenylate cy-

clase activity relative to wild-type strains and that the  $Mg^{2+}$ -dependent activity of *RAS2<sup>val19</sup>* strains cannot be stimulated by addition of Gpp(NH)p (Toda et al., 1985). This is illustrated in Table 4, Experiment IV, for the *RAS2<sup>val19</sup>* strain, TK161-R2V. In the strain TT1A-5, which contains *RAS2<sup>val19</sup>* but lacks a functional *CDC25* gene, the profile of adenylate cyclase activity is slightly changed. Basal levels are high, although they are modestly stimulated by Gpp(NH)p. This result suggests that while adenylate cyclase is under the control of the *CDC25* product in wild-type *RAS2* strains, it largely escapes this control in *RAS2<sup>val19</sup>* strains. This is consistent with the notion that the *RAS2<sup>val19</sup>* product does not have a strong dependency on *CDC25* while the *RAS2* product does. We do note that we repeatedly see a 2-fold stimulation of adenylate cyclase by GTP in the *RAS2<sup>val19</sup> cdc25<sup>-</sup>* strain, although we

Table 2. Suppressors of *cdc25*<sup>-</sup> Growth Defects

LEU2 <sup>a</sup> Transforming Plasmid	Protein Encoded	Experiment Number	Number of Trp <sup>+</sup> Colonies		Suppressor Activity <sup>c</sup>
			Total Number of Colonies		
			Trp <sup>+</sup> /YPD <sup>b</sup>		
YEp213	None	1	127/127		None
		2	155/155		None
p <i>CDC25</i> ( <i>LEU2</i> )-2	<i>CDC25</i>	1	30/399		Strong
		2	5/313		Strong
p <i>RAS1</i> -2	<i>RAS1</i>	1	124/124		None
p <i>RAS2</i> -1	<i>RAS2</i>	1	81/81		None
		2	42/42		None
p <i>RAS2</i> <sup>val19</sup>	<i>RAS2</i> <sup>val19</sup>	1	1/166		Strong
		2	0/190		Strong
p <i>TPK1</i>	cAMP-dependent protein kinase catalytic subunit	1	4/376		Strong
		2	10/299		Strong
p <i>CYR1</i> -11	Adenylate cyclase	1	205/232		Weak
		2	239/257		Weak

<sup>a</sup> Strain TT1A-1, which contains a disrupted chromosomal *CDC25* but carries the *TRP1* plasmid, p*CDC25*(*TRP1*)-1, was transformed with *LEU2* plasmids expressing the indicated gene product. After growing the Leu<sup>+</sup> Trp<sup>+</sup> transformants without selection, cells were plated onto YPD medium, which served as a master plate. The presence of the Trp<sup>+</sup> marker in the colonies grown up on YPD was determined by replica-plating onto synthetic medium lacking tryptophan as described in Experimental Procedures.

<sup>b</sup> The stabilities of the Trp<sup>+</sup> marker expressed as the ratio of the number of Trp<sup>+</sup> colonies to the number of colonies on the YPD master plate are indicated.

<sup>c</sup> The ability of the indicated plasmid to destabilize p*CDC25*(*TRP1*)-1, and hence suppress loss of *CDC25*, is indicated.

Table 3. Intracellular cAMP Levels of *CDC25* Mutants

Strain	Genotype <sup>a</sup>	Cyclic AMP Level <sup>b</sup> (pmol cAMP per mg Protein)		
		Exp. 1	Exp. 2	Exp. 3
TT1A-4	<i>cdc25</i> <sup>-</sup> p <i>CDC25</i> ( <i>LEU2</i> )-2	3.2	4.0	7.9
TT1A-3	<i>cdc25</i> <sup>-</sup> p <i>TPK1</i>	0.5	1.5	2.6
SP12	<i>CDC25</i> p <i>TPK1</i>	3.7	4.3	ND
SP1	<i>CDC25</i>	3.9	4.8	8.2

<sup>a</sup> Full descriptions of the genotypes of the indicated strains are given in Table 1.

<sup>b</sup> Intracellular cAMP levels of the indicated strains were determined as described in Experimental Procedures. For experiment 1 and 2, yeast strain SP1 was grown in synthetic media containing leucine and the other strains were grown in synthetic medium lacking leucine. For experiment 3, the yeast strains were grown in (rich) YPD medium.

do not see this stimulation in *RAS2*<sup>val19</sup> *CDC25* strains. Thus the *RAS2*<sup>val19</sup> product may have a minor dependency on the *CDC25* product. This would explain the weak attenuation of the *RAS2*<sup>val19</sup> phenotype seen in *cdc25*<sup>-</sup> strains (see Figure 4).

#### Induction of a Dominant Phenotype by a Mutationally Activated *CDC25* Gene

Activating mutations in genes encoding regulatory components of the *RAS*/adenylate cyclase pathway give rise to a cluster of phenotypes. *RAS2*<sup>val19</sup> (Kataoka et al., 1984), *CYR1::HIS3*, a gene that overexpresses the catalytic domain of adenylate cyclase (Kataoka et al., 1985b), and

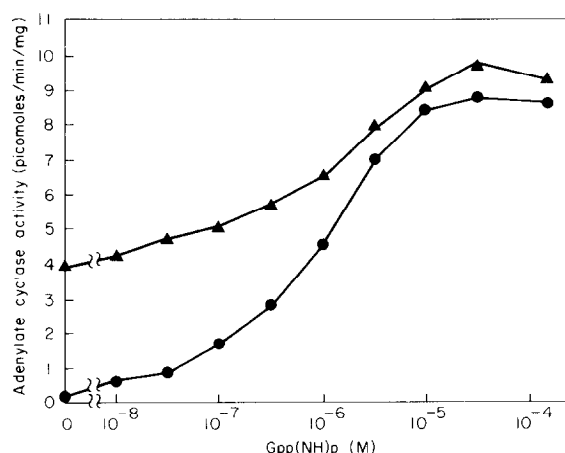


Figure 3. Gpp(NH)p Dependence of Adenylate Cyclase Activity in a *cdc25*<sup>-</sup> Strain

Adenylate cyclase activities of the wild-type strain, SP1 (triangles), and the strain lacking *CDC25*, TT1A-3 (circles), are plotted as a function of the Gpp(NH)p concentration. MgCl<sub>2</sub> (2.5 mM) was used as the divalent cation. Adenylate cyclase activity was determined as described in Experimental Procedures except that ATP, [ $\alpha$ -<sup>32</sup>P]ATP, creatine phosphokinase, and creatine phosphate were added after a 10 min preincubation at room temperature. See Table 1 for a description of these strains.

*bcy1*, a gene that encodes a nonfunctional regulatory subunit of the cAMP-dependent protein kinase (Uno et al., 1982; Sass et al., 1986; Toda et al., 1987), all activate the *RAS*/adenylate cyclase pathway. Yeast carrying these ac-

Table 4. Adenylate Cyclase Activity in Yeast Membranes with Disrupted *CDC25*

Strain	Genotype <sup>a</sup>	Adenylate Cyclase Activity <sup>b</sup> (pmol cAMP per min per mg)		
		Mn <sup>2+</sup>	Mg <sup>2+</sup>	Mg <sup>2+</sup> plus Gpp(NH)p
<b>Experiment I</b>				
SP1	Wild type	49	2.4	10.0
TT1A-4	<i>cdc25</i> <sup>-</sup> <i>pCDC25(LEU2)-2</i>	56	4.1	10.4
TT1A-3	<i>cdc25</i> <sup>-</sup> <i>pTPK1</i>	29	0.1	5.6
<b>Experiment II</b>				
SP1	Wild type	51	3.1	11.3
TT1A-4	<i>cdc25</i> <sup>-</sup> <i>pCDC25(LEU2)-2</i>	40	3.3	9.6
TT1A-3	<i>cdc25</i> <sup>-</sup> <i>pTPK1</i>	37	0.3	9.5
<b>Experiment III</b>				
SP1	Wild type	58	4.0	10.5
TT1A-4	<i>cdc25</i> <sup>-</sup> <i>pCDC25(LEU2)-2</i>	42	4.4	9.7
TT1A-3	<i>cdc25</i> <sup>-</sup> <i>pTPK1</i>	39	0.2	9.4
<b>Experiment IV</b>				
SP1	Wild type	68	2.1	8.0
TK161-R2V	<i>RAS2</i> <sup>val19</sup>	79	11.7	12.6
TT1A-5	<i>cdc25</i> <sup>-</sup> <i>pRAS2</i> <sup>val19</sup>	71	4.0	8.4

<sup>a</sup> Membranes were prepared from the indicated strains as described in Experimental Procedures. Membranes were assayed in the presence of either 2.5 mM MnCl<sub>2</sub>, 2.5 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>, or 2.5 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub> and 10 μM Gpp(NH)p. Experiments I, II, III, and IV represent four independent experiments carried out using different membrane preparations. Adenylate cyclase activity is expressed in units, where 1 unit is the generation of 1 pmol of cAMP per min per mg of membrane protein. Data shown are the average of duplicate data points, which did not differ from each other by more than 10%.

<sup>b</sup> The full genotypes of the indicated strains are given in Table 1.

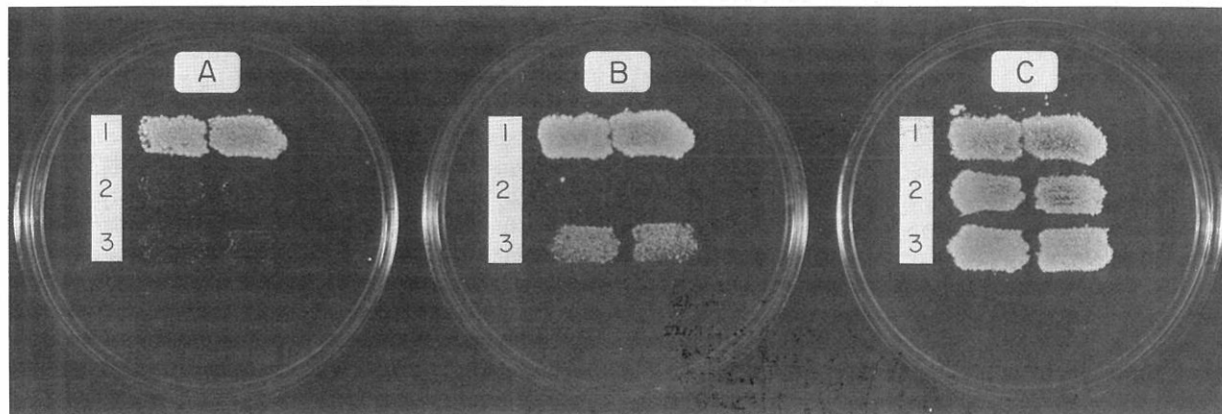


Figure 4. Heat-Shock Sensitivity of Strains Lacking *CDC25* and Containing *RAS2*<sup>val19</sup>

Yeast strains were patched in duplicate onto YPD plates, incubated at 30°C for 3 days, replica-plated onto YPD plates, and heat-shocked (at 55°C) for (A) 30 min, (B) 15 min, or (C) 0 min. After heat-shock treatment the plates were incubated at 30°C for 1 day. The strains used for this experiment are (1) the wild-type strain, SP1, (2) the *RAS2*<sup>val19</sup>-containing strain, TK161-R2V, and (3) the *RAS2*<sup>val19</sup>-containing strain lacking *CDC25*, TMRV-25. See Table 1 for a description of these strains.

tivating mutations are heat-shock-sensitive and lose viability rapidly upon starvation. We tested whether similar activating mutations could be found in the *CDC25* gene. For this purpose, we passaged the plasmid *pCDC25(LEU2)-2* in a mutator strain of *E. coli*, LE30 (Silhavy et al., 1984). Pools of mutagenized plasmids were then transformed into a wild-type yeast strain, and the transformants were screened for heat-shock sensitivity. Several *Leu*<sup>+</sup> transformants were found to be heat-shock-sensitive. When isolated, plasmids from these strains could reproducibly induce heat-shock sensitivity when introduced into wild-type strains (Figure 6). Thus, activating mutants of *CDC25*

can cause at least some of the phenotypic abnormalities seen in activating mutants of other genes of the *RAS*/adenylate cyclase pathway. This result suggests that *CDC25* encodes a regulatory component of the pathway.

#### Discussion

We have cloned and sequenced *CDC25*, the wild-type allele of a temperature-sensitive mutant causing a G1 cell cycle arrest at the nonpermissive temperature. The sequence of *S. cerevisiae CDC25* gene has also recently been reported by others (Camonis et al., 1986). Our se-

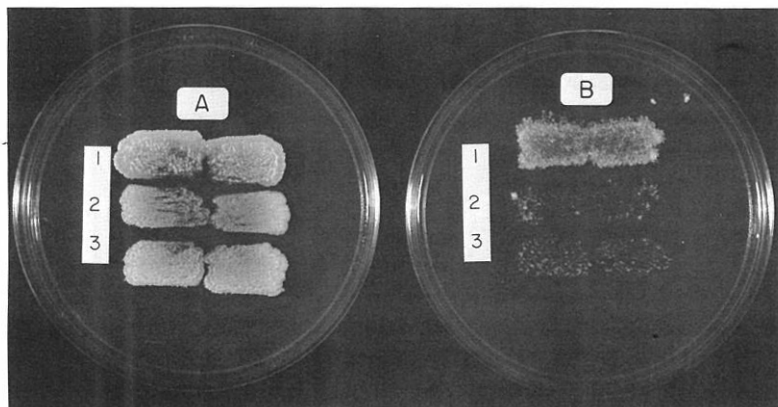


Figure 5. Starvation Sensitivity of Strains Lacking *CDC25* and Containing *RAS2<sup>val19</sup>*

Yeast strains were patched in duplicate onto a YPD (rich medium) plate. After 2 days at 30°C, the patches were replica-plated onto a YNB-N plate that lacked a source of nitrogen and onto a YPD plate (A) (0 time of nitrogen starvation) that was incubated at 30°C for 2 days. After 9 days at 30°C, the YNB-N plate was replica-plated onto a YPD plate (B), which was incubated at 30°C for 2 days. The strains used for this experiment are (1) the wild-type strain, SP1, (2) the *RAS2<sup>val19</sup>* strain, TK161-R2V, and (3) the *RAS2<sup>val19</sup>* strain lacking *CDC25*, TMRV-25. See Table 1 for a description of these strains.

quence agrees substantially with that sequence, but differs in that it is 3 bp longer within the *CDC25* coding region. The cytosine at position 2861 and cytosine–thymine at positions 2894–2895 of our sequence are not found in the sequence reported previously. Consequently, we predict an amino acid sequence at positions 952 to 966, NFPVGHHEPFKNISN, whereas Camonis and co workers (Camonis et al., 1986) predict NFLSVIMNLSRISN at position 952–965. These differences lie outside the minimum subgenic fragment required for *CDC25* function (see Figure 1 and Camonis et al., 1986) and may thus reflect genetic variation between our strains. Computer analysis of the predicted *CDC25* amino acid sequence (Figure 2) revealed that the *CDC25* protein is not closely related to any of the proteins contained in two protein sequence data banks (see Experimental Procedures). The *CDC25* sequence does not contain the consensus sequence for a protein kinase, nor is it homologous to adenylate cyclase, *RAS* proteins or other known proteins; in addition, there are no consensus nucleotide binding sequences (Robinson et al., 1986; Knopf et al., 1986). We were unable to find any hydrophobic domain of sufficient length to span the plasma membrane.

Others have reported (Camonis et al., 1986) that *cdc25<sup>ts</sup>* strains have decreased levels of cAMP at the nonpermissive temperature, suggesting that the normal function of *CDC25* might be to directly or indirectly influence cAMP levels. Our own data confirm this (see Table 3). Moreover, disruptions of *CDC25* are lethal, but lethality is suppressed in cells carrying extra copies of the genes encoding adenylate cyclase or cAMP-dependent protein kinase catalytic subunits. Thus, if *CDC25* has other essential functions besides regulating cAMP levels, these functions are redundant with functions of the cAMP effector pathway. Most importantly, we have shown that the adenylate cyclase activity in membranes prepared from strains lacking *CDC25* is abnormally low when assayed in the presence of magnesium (see Table 4 and Figure 3). Thus the function of the *CDC25* gene product is required for the normal function of adenylate cyclase.

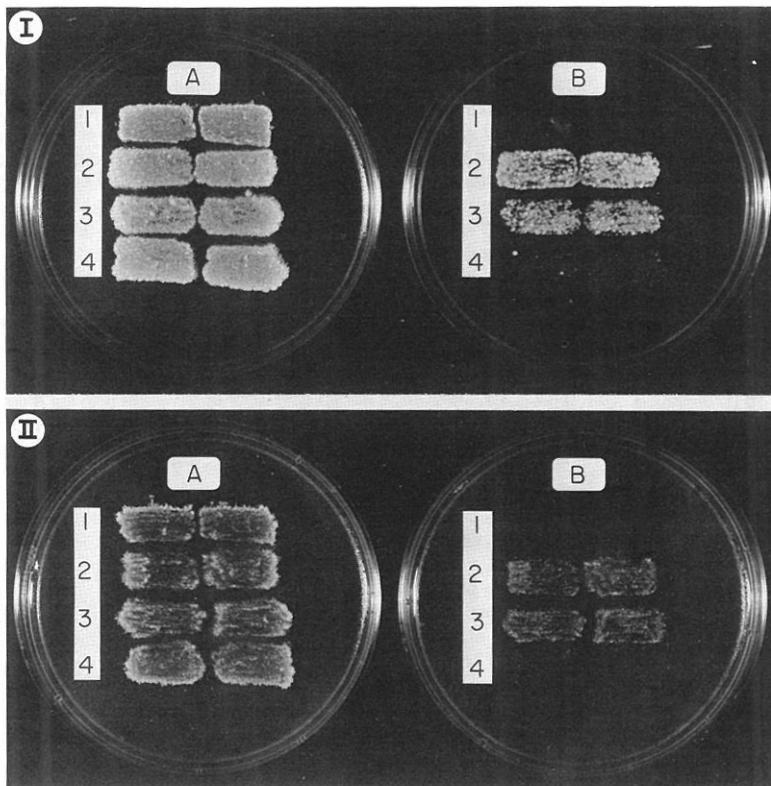
*CDC25* appears to have a regulatory function. Not all mutations capable of causing G1 arrest are mutations in

regulatory genes. For example *cdc19* encodes a temperature-sensitive pyruvate kinase (Frankel, 1982). Temperature-sensitive mutations in *RAM* cause G1 arrest, but *RAM* encodes a protein needed for the maturation of *RAS* and other proteins (Powers et al., 1986). If *CDC25* does encode a regulatory component of the adenylate cyclase pathway, we reasoned that it should be possible to isolate mutations in *CDC25* that give the characteristic phenotypes of mutations which activate adenylate cyclase. Mutations such as in *RAS2<sup>val19</sup>* and *CYR1::HIS3* (Toda et al., 1985; Kataoka et al., 1985b) lead to defects in resistance to starvation and heat shock (Sass et al., 1986). Indeed we have found dominantly acting mutant alleles of *CDC25* that cause sensitivity to heat shock (see Figure 6). This result suggests that *CDC25* encodes a regulatory component of the signal transduction pathway controlling adenylate cyclase.

The relationship between *CDC25* and *RAS* genes is not completely resolved by our experiments. Both *CDC25* and *RAS* appear to regulate adenylate cyclase catalytic activity. Three possibilities can be envisioned: first, *RAS* acts through *CDC25*; second, *CDC25* acts through *RAS*; and third, both *RAS* and *CDC25* act coordinately to control adenylate cyclase. We can clearly dismiss the first possibility, since the activated *RAS2<sup>val19</sup>* gene suppresses the lethality resulting from loss of *CDC25*. The distinctive phenotype of *RAS2<sup>val19</sup>* penetrates even in the absence of *CDC25* function. Moreover, biochemical analysis shows that the adenylate cyclase in *RAS2<sup>val19</sup> cdc25<sup>-</sup>* strains behaves much like the adenylate cyclase of *RAS2 CDC25* strains. Thus, *CDC25* cannot mediate the effector function of *RAS2*.

The two remaining possibilities are hard to resolve without additional biochemical data, although we lean strongly toward the hypothesis that *CDC25* controls *RAS* function. It seems simplest to us that, in the absence of *CDC25* function, *RAS* proteins are in a “ground,” or inactive, state, perhaps bound to GDP or without bound guanine nucleotides. Thus the addition of a nonhydrolyzable GTP analogue to broken membrane preparations fully restores adenylate cyclase activity (see Table 3 and Figure 3). In this model, *RAS2<sup>val19</sup>* protein is less dependent on





**Figure 6. Heat-Shock-Sensitive Phenotype Induced by Mutationally Activated *CDC25* Alleles**  
Yeast strains were patched in duplicate onto (I) YPD or (II) SC-leu plates, incubated at 30°C for 4 days, replica-plated onto (I) YPD or (II) SC-leu plates, and heat-shocked (at 55°C) for (A) 0 min, or (B) 30 min. Following heat-shock treatment, the plates were incubated at 30°C for 1 day. The strains used in (I) are (1) a heat-shock-sensitive *RAS2<sup>val19</sup>* strain, TK161-R2V, (2) a wild-type strain, SP1, (3) strain TT1A-4, containing a disrupted chromosomal *CDC25* and carrying the *pCDC25(LEU2)-2* plasmid, and (4) strain TMHS-20, containing a disrupted chromosomal *CDC25* and carrying the mutational-ly activated *pCDC25<sup>HS</sup>(LEU2)-20*. The strains used in (II) are (1) a heat-shock-sensitive *RAS2<sup>val19</sup>* strain, TK161-R2V, carrying an extrachromosomal *LEU2* plasmid (YEpl3), (2) a wild-type strain SP1 carrying a *LEU2* plasmid (YEpl3), (3) strain SP1 carrying the unmutated *pCDC25(LEU2)-2* plasmid, and (4) strain SP1 carrying the mutational-ly activated *pCDC25<sup>HS</sup>(LEU2)-20* plasmid. See Table 1 for a description of these strains.

*CDC25* function because, due to its decreased GTPase activity, it remains longer in its GTP bound or "activated" state. It is possible that the *CDC25* protein may function analogously to receptor proteins of animal cells that regulate G proteins by promoting GDP/GTP exchange (Gilman, 1984).

Recently, we have obtained evidence for a direct interaction between *CDC25* and *RAS* gene products. One of us (S. P.) has isolated a mutant *RAS2* gene that has a temperature-sensitive (ts) lethal phenotype even in the presence of wild-type *RAS* genes. Like *cdc25<sup>-</sup>* strains, this phenotype can be suppressed by high copy plasmids expressing *RAS2<sup>val19</sup>*, but not by high copy plasmids expressing *RAS2*. The ts phenotype can also be suppressed by high copy plasmids expressing *CDC25*, but only in the presence of a wild-type *RAS1* or *RAS2* gene. The likely explanation for these observations is that the mutant *RAS2* protein forms an ineffective and irreversible complex with *CDC25* protein, consuming the supply available from a single copy of the gene. This defect can be overcome by supplying additional *CDC25* product, but only in the presence of a wild-type *RAS* product.

#### Experimental Procedures

**Strains, Media, Yeast Genetics, and Yeast Genetic Nomenclature**  
*S. cerevisiae* strains used are listed in Table 1. *E. coli* HB101 was used for plasmid propagation and isolation. Media used were as follows: 1% Bacto-yeast extract, 2% Bacto peptone, and 2% Dextrose (YPD); 0.67% yeast nitrogen base without amino acids (Difco) and 2% Dextrose and all auxotrophic requirements (80 µg/ml) (SC) (Sherman et al., 1979); and 0.17% yeast nitrogen base without amino acids and without ammonium sulfate (Difco) and 2% dextrose (YNB-N). Plates contained

2% agar. Standard yeast genetic methods were followed as described previously (Sherman et al., 1979). Standard yeast genetics nomenclature is used throughout. Wild-type and dominant mutations are denoted by capital italicized letters, recessive mutations by lowercase italicized letters, and gene disruptions by lowercase letters representing the disrupted gene followed by two colons and the wild-type gene marker. For example *ras1::HIS3* indicates the *RAS1* gene disrupted by the *HIS3* gene marker. In the text of this paper, gene disruptions are abbreviated by lowercase italicized letters representing the gene followed by a superscript minus sign, such as *ras1<sup>-</sup>*.

#### DNA

Plasmid DNA was isolated from *E. coli* by the alkali lysis method (Maniatis et al., 1982). Yeast DNA was prepared essentially as described (Nasmyth and Tatchell, 1980). Digests with restriction endonucleases and ligations with T4 DNA ligase were performed under conditions recommended by suppliers (New England Biolabs or Bethesda Research Labs).

#### Plasmids

Several of the plasmids used for these studies have been described elsewhere: *pRAS1-2* and *pRAS2-1*, by Powers et al. (1984); *pCYR1-11*, by Kataoka et al. (1985b). *pRAS2<sup>val19</sup>* was constructed by inserting a 2.3 kb HindIII-EcoRV DNA fragment containing the entire *RAS2<sup>val19</sup>* coding region into the *LEU2*-containing YEpl3 (Sherman et al., 1982) vector that had been cut by HindIII and PvuII. *PTPK1* is a YEpl3 vector (Sherman et al., 1982) containing the *TPK1* gene (T. Toda, unpublished data). Other plasmids used for this study are described in Figure 1. The vector used for the construction of *pCDC25(TRP)-1* is TTp7. TTp7 was constructed by inserting the 1.4 kb EcoRI *TRP1-ARS1* fragment into the EcoRI site of PUC8 (Messing and Vieira, 1982). *pCDC25(LEU2)-3* was constructed by deleting the 3.1 kb BamHI-BglII fragment from *pCDC25(LEU2)-2* (see Figure 1). *pcdc25::URA3* was constructed by deleting the 3.9 kb ClaI-HindIII fragment from the *CDC25* coding region of *pCDC25(LEU2)-2*, treating the resulting vector with Klenow, and inserting a 1.1 kb, blunt-ended HindIII-HindIII fragment containing the complete *URA3* gene.

### Cloning of *CDC25*

The *CDC25* gene was isolated from two different yeast genomic libraries. Yeast strain TT25-6 (see Table 1 for its genotype) was transformed with a yeast genomic YCp50 (Rose and Fink, unpublished data) library by the lithium acetate method (Ito et al., 1983). Transformants were incubated at 35°C directly on synthetic plates containing all auxotrophs except uracil (SC-ura). Two independent transformants were obtained and two different plasmids were isolated from each two transformants. One of these, p*CDC25(URA3)*-1, is shown in Figure 1.

Yeast strain 25-1 (generously supplied by Dr. Johnston) was transformed with the yeast genomic library constructed in the YEp13 (Nasmyth and Tatchell, 1980) library by the spheroplast method (Hinnen et al., 1978). *Leu*<sup>+</sup> transformants grown at 23°C were pooled, plated on YPD, and incubated at 37°C. Colonies grown at 37°C were replica-plated onto SC-*leu* plates. Eight transformants that could grow at 37°C were isolated. Seven out of eight transformants contained the same plasmid, p*CDC25(LEU2)*-1, and the other one contained overlapping plasmid, p*CDC25(LEU2)*-2 (see Figure 1).

### DNA Sequencing

The complete nucleotide sequence of the coding region of *CDC25* was determined by dideoxy sequencing of both strands of DNA (Sanger et al., 1977). Restriction fragments of about 500 nucleotides were subcloned into the M13 vectors mp18 and mp19 (Yannisch-Perron et al., 1985). Each subclone was sequenced in its entirety using a combination of the universal M13 sequencing primer and synthetic oligonucleotide primers complementary to the M13 subclone. Unidirectional deletions were constructed at the 5' end of the gene in order to complete the sequencing of the second strand without the aid of additional synthetic primers (Henikoff, 1984).

### Protein Sequence Homology Searches

Homologies to the *CDC25* sequence were searched for among the protein sequences listed in GENE BANK and PIR database using the homology search program previously described (Goad and Kanehisa et al., 1982).

### Disruption of *CDC25*

A 3.2 kb *Sall* fragment of *pcdc25::URA3* was transformed into diploid yeast cells TTSD1, and transformants were selected by uracil prototrophy (see, for example, TTS3801, Table 1). Tetrad analyses of TTS3801 showed a 2:2 (viable:nonviable) pattern and the two viable haploids were always uracil-requiring phenotypes.

### Integration Mapping

The 2.1 kb Klenow-treated *Bgl*II-*Sph*I fragment of *CDC25* was inserted into pUC8 that had been cut by *Sall* and treated with Klenow. The 1.7 kb *Bam*HI fragment of *HIS3* was inserted into the *Bam*HI site of the resulting plasmid to generate p*CDC25(HIS1)*-1. p*CDC25(HIS1)*-1 was linearized by cutting at the *Nco*I site located in the *CDC25* coding region and transformed to diploid cells, TR56. Tetrad analyses showed two types of segregation pattern. In type I, all 4 spores in tetrads segregated 4:0 for temperature sensitivity and 2:2 for histidine auxotrophy (in TTS1201, TTS1203, and TTS1204). In type II, both temperature sensitivity and histidine auxotrophy cosegregated 2:2 (in TTS1202). These results suggest that the sequence we had cloned integrated into the *CDC25* locus. In type I, the plasmid sequence integrated at the *cdc25-1<sup>ts</sup>* locus, and in type II, integration occurred in the wild-type *CDC25* locus.

### *CDC25* Suppression Experiment

TTS3801 was transformed with p*CDC25(TRP1)*-1 (Figure 1), a tryptophan prototroph was selected, and tetrad analysis was performed. *Ura*<sup>+</sup> (and therefore *cdc25*<sup>-</sup>) haploids were always stably *Trp*<sup>+</sup>, showing that cells with disrupted *cdc25* were viable only because they carried p*CDC25(TRP1)*-1. One of the *Ura*<sup>+</sup> *Trp*<sup>+</sup> segregants (TT1A-1) was used for suppression experiments. TT1A-1 was transformed with various *LEU2* gene-containing multicopy plasmids and plated onto SC-*leu* plates. Individual *Leu*<sup>+</sup> transformants were grown in 2 ml of YPD at room temperature for 2 days. Cells were plated on YPD after appropriate dilution and incubated at 30°C for 2 days. Colonies were then replica-plated onto SC-*leu*, SC-*trp*, and YPD. Maintenance or loss of plasmids was checked by leucine and tryptophan auxotrophy.

### Heat-Shock Experiments

p*CDC25(LEU2)*-2 was transformed into a mutator strain of *E. coli*, LE30, and grown for 36 hr in rich medium as described (Fowler et al., 1974). The mutagenized plasmid was rescued from the *E. coli* and transformed into the wild-type SP1 strain. Transformants were selected on SC-*leu*, grown at 30°C for 4 days, replica-plated again onto SC-*leu*, and placed at 55°C for 0, 15, 30, or 45 min. Colonies that exhibited heat-shock sensitivity (compared with SP1 carrying a unmutated p*CDC25(LEU2)*-2) were retested for heat-shock sensitivity after loss of the mutated p*CDC25(LEU2)*-2. The plasmid p*CDC25<sup>HS</sup>(LEU2)*-20 was isolated from one of the heat-shock-sensitive transformants.

### cAMP Assays

The yeast strains were grown in synthetic media to a cell density of  $0.5 \times 10^7$  cells per ml, or in rich media to a cell density of  $1 \times 10^7$  cell per ml. After pelleting and washing, the cells were extracted with 1 M HClO<sub>3</sub> and the extracts were prepared for cAMP assay with the Amersham cAMP determination kit. For experiment 2 in Table 3 the following modification of the published procedures was introduced. The crude HClO<sub>3</sub> extracts were applied to a 1 ml DOWEX AG 50W-X4 column, eluted with H<sub>2</sub>O, and lyophilized. Samples were resuspended in 100 mM Tris-HCl and neutralized with 1 M NaOH before cAMP determination using the Amersham cAMP assay kit.

### Adenylate Cyclase Assays

Yeast membrane fractions were prepared as previously described (Broek et al., 1985). Protein determinations were performed by the method of Lowry (Lowry et al., 1951). Adenylate cyclase activity was assayed as previously described (Casperson et al., 1983; Broek et al., 1985), and [<sup>32</sup>P]cAMP produced was determined as described (Solomon et al., 1973).

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