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Description of plasmids provided

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Plasmids

pART**7** is a synthetic cloning vector from the Andrew Gleave lab (Gleave 1992) harbouring a CaMV 35S promoter and a multi cloning site for inserting genes intended to be transiently expressed in plants. Two Notl restriction sites allow to excise the cloned gene for subcloning into a binary vector. pART7 is a derivative of pGEM-9zf (GenBank X65312).

pART27 is the binary vector corresponding to pART7. It harbours a transfer DNA gene cassette (tDNA) between the left and right borders to be integrated into the genome of higher plants by agrobacterium-mediated gene transfer. A single NotI restriction site allows to integrate a NotI-restricted gene cassette from pART7 into the tDNA of pART27.

pART27 is a derivative of pMON530 (Rogers et al. 1987 DOI: 10.1016/0076-6879(87)53058-0)

pART7::CLOMELEON is a pART7 vector with the CLOMELEON gene (see below) integrated between EcoRI and HindIII restriction sites.

pART27::CLOMELEON is a binary pART27 vector harbouring the Notl-fragment with gene cassette subcloned from pART7::CLOMELEON.

pQE30::CLOMELEON:Strep is a vector for bacterial expression of the CLOMELEON protein with N-terminal 6xHis-tag and C-terminal Strep-tag (WSHPQFEK). The gene coding for CLOMELEON with Strep-tag was introduced into the commercial expression vector pQE30 (Qiagen) between KpnI and HindIII sites.

Historical Context: CLOMELEON - A FRET-based fluorescent anion indicator

CLOMELEON is a chloride indicator to quantify chloride ion concentrations in living cells (details in Kuner & Augustine 2000). It is a fusion of the cyano-green fluorescent protein variant (CFP: K26R, F64L, S65T, Y66W, N146I, M153T, V163A, N164H, H231L) and a variant of yellow-green fluorescent protein (YFP: S65G, S72A, K79R, T203Y, H231L). The linker between both is short (24 AAs) and carries a TEV-protease recognition site (ENLYFQG). YFP fluorescence is quenched in presence of chloride ions while CFP fluorescence is not. Thus, efficient Förster-resonance between both occurs only in absence of chloride. This effect makes CLOMELEON a ratiometric indicator. Monitoring fluorescence emission at two emission wavelengths (480 nm and 530 nm) allows the calculation of fluorescence intensity ratios which correlate with anion concentrations. The EC₅₀ for chloride is at around [Cl] = 150 mM.

For expression of CLOMELEON in plants the pART7/pART27 vector system from the Andrew Gleave lab was used (Lorenzen et al. 2004). The gene coding for CLOMELEON, kindly provided by the George Augustine lab, was subcloned into pART7 to bring it under the control of a cauliflower mosaic virus promoter (35S-CaMV). With Notl restriction, the whole gene cassette was then subcloned into the binary vector pART27 to allow for agrobacterium-mediated transfer of the cassette into the plant genome by floral dip method (Clough & Bent 1998).

<u>Note #1</u>: For selection, the binary vector (<u>pART27</u>) confers <u>spectinomycin resistance in bacteria</u> and <u>kanamycin resistance in plants</u>. The latter is important to note because a successful transfer of T-DNA into plants needs to be selected on kanamycin and cannot be selected on spectinomycin.

<u>Note #2</u>: Arabidopsis thaliana expressing CLOMELEON in the cytoplasm have been produced (Lorenzen et al. 2004; Saleh & Plieth 2013). Seeds from transgenic *Arabidopsis* expressing CLOMELEON in the cytoplasm are available with Nottingham Arabidopsis stock centre (https://arabidopsis.info/BasicForm; NASC-IDs N9404 to N9415)

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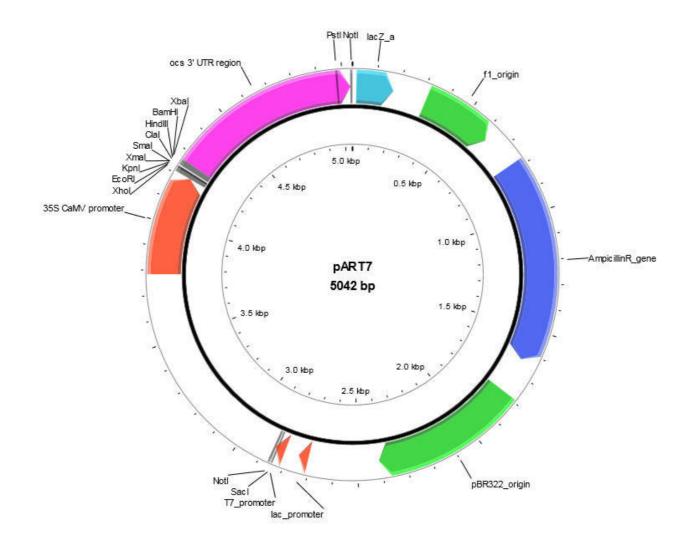
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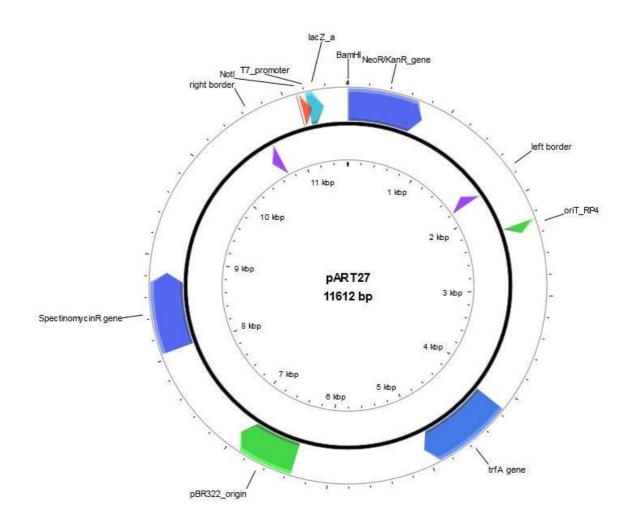
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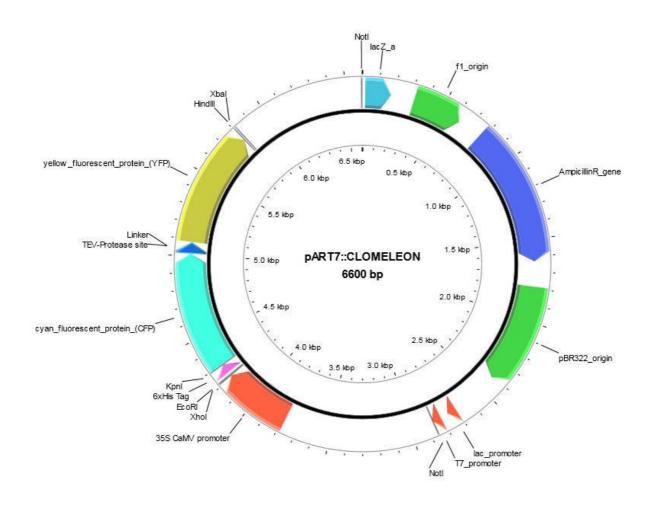
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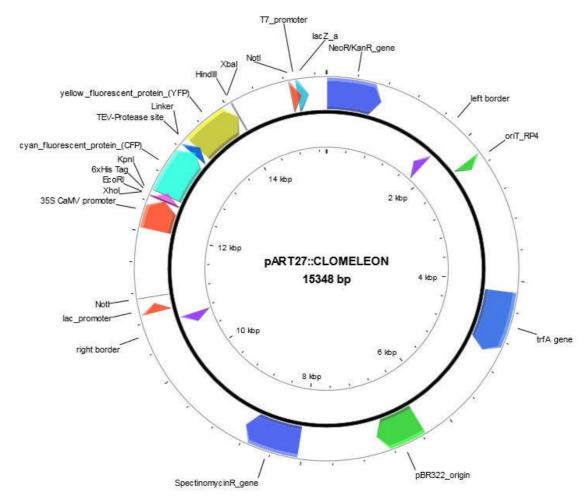
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35S CaMV promoter	3784	4210	Promoter
ocs 3' UTR region	4264	5034	Regulatory Sequence
Selected Restriction Sites cuts once / cuts twice	Location		Sequence
BamHI	4253		glgatcc
Clal	4242		atlcgat
EcoRI	4218		glaattc
HindIII	4247		alagctt
Kpnl	4228		ggtaclc
Notl	2859; 5037		ctgcalg
PstI	4982		ctgcalg
Sacl /Sstl	2851		gagctlc
Xbal	4259		tlctaga
XhoI	4212		cltcgag
Xmal / Smal	4229 / 4231		clccggg / ccclggg



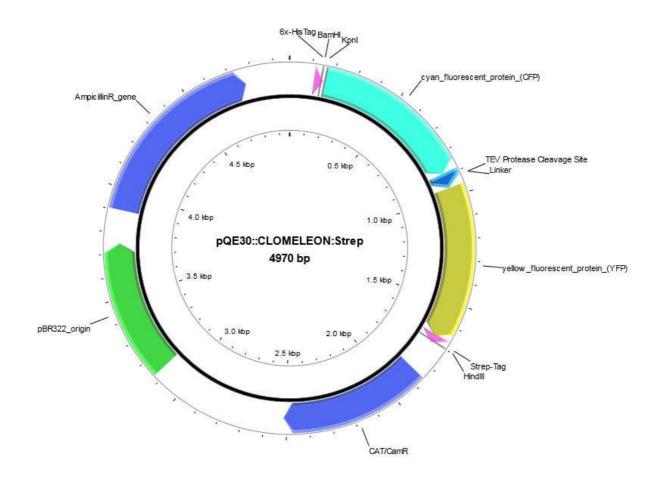
pART27::CLOMELEON				
Fragments	Start	End	Category	
KanamycinR gene	9	776	Selectable Marker	
Left border	1719	1743	miscellaneous	
Right border	10638	10662	miscellaneous	
trfA gene	4150	5007	Gene	
SpectinomycinR gene	8052	8840	Selectable Marker	
Selected Restriction Sites cuts once / cuts twice	Location		Sequence	
BamHI	2		glgatcc	
Notl	11123		ctgcalg	
Sacl /Sstl	11102		gagctlc	



pART7::CLOMELEON				
Fragments	Start	End	Category	
35S CaMV promoter	3784	4210	Promoter	
6xHis-Tag	4256	4273	Affinity Tag	
CFP	4298	5014	Reporter Gene	
Linker	5015	5086	Miscellaneous	
TEV-Protease Site	5039	5059	Gene	
YFP	5087	5803	Reporter Gene	
Selected Restriction Sites cuts once / cuts twice	Location		Sequence	
BamHI	4275, 5811		glgatcc	
EcoRI	4218		glaattc	
HindIII	5805		alagctt	
Kpnl	4297		ggtaclc	
Notl	2859; 6595		ctgcalg	
PstI	6540		ctgcalg	
Sacl /Sstl	2851; 4291		gagctlc	
Xbal	5817		tlctaga	
XhoI	4212		cltcgag	



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Right border	10638	10662	miscellaneous	
trfA gene	4150	5007	Gene	
SpectinomycinR_gene	8052	8840	Selectable Marker	
35S CaMV promoter	12049	12475	Promoter	
6xHis-Tag	12520	12537	Affinity Tag	
CFP	12562	13278	Reporter Gene	
Linker	13279	13350	Miscellaneous	
TEV-Protease Site	13303	13323	Gene	
YFP	13351	14067	Reporter Gene	
Selected Restriction Sites cuts once / cuts twice	Location		Sequence	
EcoRI	12482		glaattc	
HindIII	14069		alagctt	
Kpnl	12561		ggtaclc	
Notl	11123; 14859		ctgcalg	
Sacl /Sstl	11102; 12555		gagctlc	
3401/3361	•			
Xbal	14081	_	tlctaga	



pQE30::CLOMELEON:Strep				
Fragments	Start	End	Category	
6xHis-Tag	127	144	Affinity Tag	
CFP	172	885	Reporter Gene	
Linker	886	957	Miscellaneous	
TEV-Protease Site	910	930	Gene	
YFP	958	1674	User defines	
Strep-Tag	1675	1698	Affinity Tag	
AmpicillinR gene	3905	4765	Selectable Marker	
Selected Restriction Sites	Location		Sequence	
(cuts once)				
BamHI	146		glgatcc	
HindIII	1697		alagctt	
Kpnl	168		ggtaclc	
EcoRI	89		glaattc	
Sacl /Sstl	162		gagctlc	
Xbal	2673		tlctaga	
XhoI	2		cltcgag	