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(54) **CELL DEATH RELATED DRUG TARGETS IN YEAST AND FUNGI**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

The invention describes the use of the nucleic acid SEQ ID No 1 and polypeptide SEQ ID No 2 which are involved in a pathway eventually leading to programmed cell death of yeast or fungi for the preparation of a medicament for treating diseases associated with yeast or fungi or for the treatment of proliferative disorders or for preventing apoptosis in certain diseases. Methods are provided to identify compounds which selectively modulate the expression or functionality of said polypeptides in the same or a parallel pathway. Also provided are compounds as well as pharmaceutical compositions, medicaments and vaccines. The invention also comprises a new nucleic acid sequence, probes and primers derived thereof, expression vectors and host cells transformed with said vectors, polypeptides and antibodies raised against said polypeptides.