

Gel picture showing a fragment of *NFXL1* cDNA amplified by regular PCR (primer sequences available upon request). Samples from left to right: 1 kb Plus DNA ladder (Invitrogen), whole brain, temporal lobe, frontal lobe, parietal lobe, cerebral cortex, cerebellum, colon, water control. A 2% agarose gel was used.

PCR protocol:

- 1. 95°C for 10 minutes
- 2. 95°C for 30 seconds
- 3. 55°C for 30 seconds
- 4. 72°C for 30 seconds
- 5. Steps $2-4\times29$
- 6. 72°C for 5 minutes

The PCR mix consisted of: $5~\mu l$ cDNA (diluted from RT-PCR reaction as detailed in the main text); $1~\mu l$ of the forward primer ($10~\mu m$); $1~\mu l$ of the reverse primer ($10~\mu m$); $5~\mu l$ of buffer ($160~mM~(NH_4)_2SO_4$, 670~mM~Tris-HCL, 0.1% stabiliser); $2.5~\mu l$ of MgCl₂ (50~mM); $1.25~\mu l$ of deoxyribonucleotides (dNTPs) (10~mM); $0.2~\mu l$ of 9:1~BIOTAQ (Bioline):Pfu (Thermo Scientific) ($5~u/\mu l$); $34.05~\mu l$ of MilliQ H₂O to a final volume of $50~\mu l$.