## *Candida albicans* zincophore and zinc transporter interactions with Zn(II) and Ni(II)

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1	MKFTHLFFIGLLTKVYTETVTVLSTRSYRLATTESTPTDGTVYLTLTRQQSS -MARALLLLSLLGGLGLAHAQYVTYTGCHNHGSTEYCFGPDGKETPFPTP-TESA 	52 53	Q5A0Y4 D3W9Z8	Q5A0Y4_CANAL D3W928_ASPFM
53	STSINASTITTPPSNSSASVQTTAVTDCHFHNSVQYCVDGYGNEGSILPVPTNTNNLPTS	112	Q5A0Y4	Q5A0Y4_CANAL
54	SRTVPVTVAAAAAATTTSSADASAVTGCHSHGSDVFCIDGDGNEVQVILPSTPTGELPAQ * :: .: :: :: :::::::::::::::::::::::::	113	D3W928	D3W928_ASPFM
113	YDGCHSHDGDTFCMDGDKEV-QFVKLEDEDDEESSSSSKKCHFHAGVEH	161	Q5A0Y4	Q5A0Y4 CANAL
114	YTGCHSHGSETFCMDPEGNDVQIVGEEGSTEGSSSGSSGESQSGSKEGMNCHFHAGVEH	173	D3W928	D3W9Z8_ASPFM
162	CVDDNNHDAVTCERVKRDYDIPLRIGLLFVILVTSGIGSFGPIVLKQFVNLSQENY	217	Q5A0Y4	Q5A0Y4 CANAL
174	CIGAGESESGSSQKSCGLRTRDYDVPLRIGTLFVVLVTSSIGVFLPMLLVKLPSAKINGV	233	D3W928	D3W9Z8_ASPFM
218	IIVIIKQFGTGIIISTAFVHLMTHAQLMWSNSCLK-IKYEGTGASITMAGIFIAFIIEYI	276	Q5A0Y4	Q5A0Y4 CANAL
234	VSTVIKOFGTGVILSTAFVHLYTHANIMFTNECLGELEYEATTSAVVMAGIFLSFLFEYI	293	D3W928	D3W9Z8_ASPFM
277	ALRIVNARDTEKVDKKETSSNE	301	Q5A0Y4	Q5A0Y4 CANAL
294	GHRIILARATRCASPCPEQTGDMSPSSTSKELPASQPPPPPPQQQQQQPPTLAALGHHHG . **: ** *.	353	D3W928	D3W928_ASPFM
302	QSLHGISVNDKISVMILEAGIIFHSILIGITLVVTDDVYFITLFIVIVFHQFFEGLALSS	361	Q5A0Y4	Q5A0Y4 CANAL
354	PPLDPTNPNTKLSVLVMEAGVVFHSILIGLTLVVAGDSFYKTLLVVIVFHQFFEGLALGA	413	D3W9Z8	D3W9Z8_ASPFM
362	RIISITNASLSTKLVMALMFALITPIGMAIGIGVLNKFNGNDPSTLIALGTLDSFSAGVL	421	Q5A0Y4	Q5A0Y4 CANAL
414	RIAMLPGPLLGSKALMAGTFAVITPIGMAIGLGVLHSFNGNDQSTLVALGTLDALSAGIL	473	D3W928	D3W928_ASPFM
422	LWTGLIEMWSHDWLHGHLRNSSFVKTTVALVSLILGMLLMSLLGNWA 468 Q5A0Y	4 0	SAOY4 CAL	NAL
474	VWVGLVDMWARDWVMDGGEMMNARLSIVAVGGFSLIAGMVLMGVLGKWA 522 D3W92	8 I	3W928_AS	PFM

Figure S1. The alignment of Zrt1 and ZrfC sequences (from *C. albicans* and *A. fumigatus,* respectively; Uniprot accession numbers Q5A0Y4 and D3W9Z8). The two zinc transporters share 48% of identity.







Figure S2. ESI-MS spectra of: A) Zn(II)-Ac-TDCHFHNS-NH2, B) Ni(II)-Ac-TDCHFHNS-NH2; C) Zn(II)-Ac-KCHFHAGVEHCVDDNNHDA-NH2;D) Ni(II)-Ac-KKCHFHAGVEHCVDDNNHDA-NH2; E) Ni(II)-Ac-SHQHTDSNPSATTDANSHCHTHADGEVHC-COOH. M(II)/L molar ratio = 1:1, pH 6.







Figure S3. Isotopic distribution of: A) Zn(II)-Ac-TDCHFHNS-NH<sub>2</sub>; B) Ni(II)-Ac-TDCHFHNS-NH<sub>2</sub>; C) Zn(II)-Ac-KKCHFHAGVEHCVDDNNHDA-NH<sub>2</sub>; D) Ni(II)-Ac-KKCHFHAGVEHCVDDNNHDA-NH<sub>2</sub>; E) Ni<sub>2</sub>(II)-Ac-KKCHFHAGVEHCVDDNNHDA-NH<sub>2</sub>; F) Ni(II)-Ac-SHQHTDSNPSATTDANSHCHTHADGEVHC-COOH. M(II)/L molar ratio = 1:1, pH 6.





Figure S4. Distribution diagrams for the formation of: A) Zn(II) complex with the Ac-TDCHFHNS-NH<sub>2</sub> Zrt1 fragment:; B) Ni(II) complex with the Ac-TDCHFHNS-NH<sub>2</sub> Zrt1 fragment; C) Zn(II) complex with the Ac-KKCHFHAGVEHCVDDNNHDA-NH<sub>2</sub> Zrt1 fragment; D) Ni(II) complex with the Ac-KKCHFHAGVEHCVDDNNHDA-NH<sub>2</sub> Zrt1 fragment; E) Ni(II) complex with the Ac-SHQHTDSNPSATTDANSHCHTHADGEVHC-COOH Pra1 fragment; 298 K, I = 0.1 M, [M(II)]=1•10<sup>-3</sup>M; M(II)/L molar ratio = 1:1.



Figure S5. TOCSY spectra of 3 mM: A) Ac-TDCHFHNS-NH<sub>2</sub>, in the absence (light green contours) and in presence (red contours) of 1 Zn(II) equivalent, pH 7.2; B) Ac-TDCHFHNS-NH<sub>2</sub>, in the absence (light green contours) and in presence (blue contours) of 0.3 Ni(II) equivalent, pH 7.2; C) Ac-KKCHFHAGVEHCVDDNNHDA-NH<sub>2</sub>, in the absence (black contours) and in presence (green contours) of 1 Zn(II) equivalent, pH 6.2; D) Ac-KKCHFHAGVEHCVDDNNHDA-NH<sub>2</sub>, in the absence (black contours) and in presence (black contours) and in presence (green contours) of 1 Zn(II) equivalent, pH 6.2 E)Ac-SHQHTDSNPSATTDANSHCHTHADGEVHC-COOH, in the absence (black contours) and in the presence(red contours) of 0.3 Ni(II) equivalent, pH 9. T = 298 K.



Figure S6. CD spectra of nickel(II) complexes with: A) Ac-TDCHFHNS-NH<sub>2</sub>; B) Ac-KKCHFHAGVEHCVDDNNHDA-NH<sub>2</sub>; C) Ac-SHQHTDSNPSATTDANSHCHTHADGEVHC-COOH; in pH range 3-11.

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Figure S7. A) UV-Vis spectra of Ni(II) complexes with Ac-TDCHFHNS-NH<sub>2</sub> in the range 300-600 nm; B) Difference UV-Vis spectra of Ac-KKCHFHAGVEHCVDDNNHDA-NH<sub>2</sub> and Ni(II) in the range 200-500 nm C) Difference UV-Vis spectra of Ac-SHQHTDSNPSATTDANSHCHTHADGEVHC-COOH and Ni(II) in the range 200-400 nm.



Figure S8. Competition plot between Zrt1 fragments: Ac-KKCHFHAGVEHCVDDNNHDA-NH<sub>2</sub>, Ac-TDCHFHNS-NH<sub>2</sub> and Ni(II), describes complex formation at different pH values in a hypothetical situation, in which equimolar amounts of the three reagents are mixed. Calculations are based on binding constants from Table 1. Conditions: 298 K, I=0.1M, [Ni(II)] = [Ac-KKCHFHAGVEHCVDDNNHDA-NH<sub>2</sub>] = [Ac-TDCHFHNS-NH<sub>2</sub>] = 0.001 M.



Figure S9. Competition plot between Pra1 and Zrt1 fragments: Ac-SHQHTDSNPSATTDANSHCHTHADGEVHC-COOH and Ac-KKCHFHAGVEHCVDDNNHDA-NH<sub>2</sub> and Ni(II), describes complex formation at different pH values in a hypothetical situation in which equimolar amounts of the three reagents are mixed. Calculations are based on binding constants from Table 1. Conditions: 298 К, I=0.1M, [Ni(II)] = [Ac-SHQHTDSNPSATTDANSHCHTHADGEVHC-COOH] = [Ac-KKCHFHAGVEHCVDDNNHDA – NH<sub>2</sub>] = 0.001 M.