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ABSTRACT

An oligonucleotide, capable of specific cleavage and amplification of a pab gene which codes for pab, an antigenic protein of *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*, or an RNA derived therefrom, as well as being useful in high sensitive detection and identification thereof, is provided. Further, a combination of oligonucleotides, useful in specific amplification, high sensitive detection and identification of an RNA derived from *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* pab gene as well as a process for detecting *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* by using said combination, are provided.

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