**TABLE 1. Taxonomic relationships and GenBank/EMBL references of cytochrome b sequences of selected acipenseriform species used for primer design**

| Family | Subfamily | Tribe | Genus | Species | Accession | Ref. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Polyodontidae | Polyodontinae | Polyodontini | *Polyodon* | *spathula* | M64910 (GB) | 1 |
| Acipenseridae | Husinae | | *Huso* | *dauricus* | X95056 (EMBL) | 2 |
| | Acipenserinae | Acipenserini (North America) | *Acipenser* | *brevirostrum* | Z22822 (GB) | 3 |
| | | | | *oxyrinchus* | L35111 (GB) | 3 |
| | | | | *medirostris* | X95053 (EMBL) | 2 |
| | | | | *transmontanus* | X14944 (GB) | 4 |
| | | Acipenserini (Eurasia) | *Acipenser* | *baerii* | X95054 (EMBL) | 2 |
| | | | | *ruthenus* | X95055 (EMBL) | 2 |
| | | Scaphirhynchini (North America) | *Scaphirhynchus* | *albus* | L35110 (GB) | 3 |
| | | Scaphirhynchini (Eurasia) | *Pseudoscaphirhynchus* | *kaufmanni* | X95058 (EMBL) | 2 |

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REFERENCE : **1** Normark et al 1991, **2** Birstein et al 1997, **3** Schill & Walker 1994, **4** Brown et al 1989