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# **Chapter 1: Introduction**

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# **Chapter 2: Thesis Statements**

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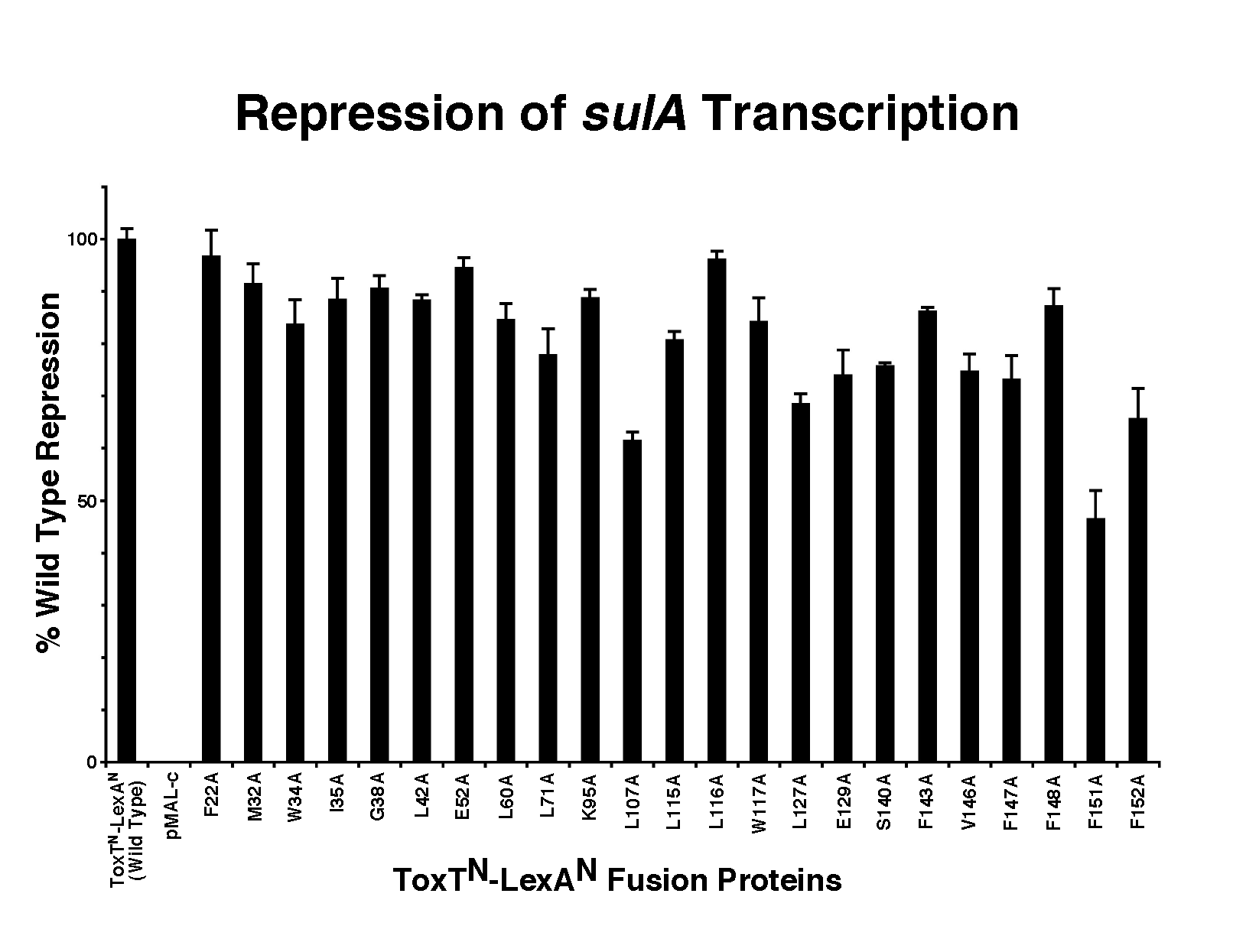
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*β-galactosidase Assay*

**Figure 2.** **β-galactosidase Assay**. Twenty-three N-terminal mutations assayed for β-galactosidase activity. Of the twenty-three, only two are statistically critical for dimerization: F151A (p < 0.001) and L107A (p < 0.001).



β-galactosidase assays indicated that amino acids located in the predicted beta jelly roll (aa 1-87) were found to exhibit wild type repression by 75% or more (Figure 2). Amino acids in the two alpha helical regions (alpha helix 1: aa 88-98, alpha helix 2: aa 99-165) displayed variable wild type repression ranging from less than 50% to nearly 100%. Student t-test indicates that F151A (p < 0.001) and L107A (p < 0.001) significantly affect ToxT dimerization (Figure 2). Interestingly, these amino acids lie within the predicted dimerization interface (alpha helix two) of ToxT, as illustrated by the structural model of AraC (Figure 1).

## **CHAPTER 5: DISCUSSION**

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# **cHAPTER 6: iMPLICATIONS AND fUTURE dIRECTIONS**

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