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Abstract: The invention provides methods and compositions useful in pearl oyster cultivation. Polynucleotide and polypeptides relating to the *nacre* gene of *Pinctada margaritifera* are provided. Antibodies related to these polypeptides, and compositions comprising polynucleotides, polypeptides and/or antibodies of the invention are also provided. The invention provides methods of using these polynucleotides, polypeptides and antibodies, including methods related to pearl oyster cultivation. Arrays comprising polynucleotides, polypeptides and/or antibodies of the invention are also provided.

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