We report here the complete sequence of the methicillin resistance-associated insertion sequence-like element IS\textsuperscript{437}mec (1) and its adjacent sequences, isolated from \textit{Staphylococcus aureus} strain BB270. The inverted repeats (IR-I and IR-r) bounding the IS element are boxed. Direct repeats flanking IS\textsuperscript{437}mec are overlined with arrows. Possible -35 and -10 sequences of the promoter and the potential ribosome binding site of the putative transposase encoded by the open reading frame of IS\textsuperscript{437}mec are shown by asterisks.

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