

## **Supplementary information**

### **Cloning, sequencing and characterization of the biosynthetic gene cluster of sanglifehrin A, a potent cyclophilin inhibitor**

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## **Materials and Procedures**

### **Verification genotypes of mutant strains**

All of the mutant strains' genotypes except *TL3001* were confirmed by PCR analysis. Genomic DNA of mutants was isolated following standard protocol <sup>1</sup>. With the wild type DNA as control, mutants were verified by PCR using primers listed in Table S2. For *TL3001*, five individual isolates of mutants genomic DNA together with wild type strains' were digested by *XhoI-HindIII*, and further analyzed by southern blotting with using 1.8 kb *KpnI* fragment of *ermE* from pAGe-1 as the probe. Genotype analysis results were showed in Figure S7.

**Table S1. Bacterial strains and plasmids used in this study**

| Strain/Plasmid             | Characteristic(s)                                                          | Source/Reference |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| <b><i>E. coli</i></b>      |                                                                            |                  |
| <i>DH5α</i>                | Host for general cloning                                                   | Invitrogen       |
| <i>XL1-Blue MRF</i>        | Host for genomic library construction                                      | Stratagene       |
| <i>S17-1</i>               | Donor strain for conjugation between <i>E.coli</i> and <i>Streptomyces</i> | <sup>1</sup>     |
| <b><i>S. flaveolus</i></b> |                                                                            |                  |
| <i>DSM 9954</i>            | Wild type strain, SFA producing                                            | DSMZ             |
| <b><i>Streptomyces</i></b> |                                                                            |                  |
| <i>DSM 9954</i>            | Wild type strain, SFA producing                                            | DSM              |
| <i>TL3001</i>              | $\Delta(sfaK\sim sfaH)$ gene replacement mutant, SFA non-producing         | This study       |
| <i>TL3002</i>              | $\Delta orf3$ in frame deletion mutant, SFA producing                      | This study       |
| <i>TL3003</i>              | $\Delta orf4$ in frame deletion mutant, SFA producing                      | This study       |
| <i>TL3005</i>              | $\Delta sfaR$ gene replacement mutant, SFA producing with a reduced yield  | This study       |
| <i>TL3006</i>              | $\Delta sfaA$ gene replacement mutant, SFA non-producing                   | This study       |
| <i>TL3007</i>              | $\Delta sfaK$ in frame deletion mutant, SFA non-producing                  | This study       |
| <b>Plasmids</b>            |                                                                            |                  |
| pGEM-T easy                | <i>E. coli</i> subcloning vector                                           | Promega          |
| pGEM 5zf                   | <i>E. coli</i> subcloning vector                                           | Promega          |
| pANT841                    | <i>E. coli</i> subcloning vector                                           | AF438749         |
| pSP72                      | <i>E. coli</i> subcloning vector                                           | Promega          |
| SuperCos 1                 | Cosmid vector for genomic library construction                             | Stratagene       |

|         |                                                                                                                                                     |                 |
|---------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| pAGe-1  | Containing erythromycin resistant gene <i>ermE</i>                                                                                                  | From J.A. Salas |
| pKC1139 | <i>E.coli-Streptomyces</i> shuttle vector for gene inactivation, temperature sensitive replication in <i>Streptomyces</i> with apramycin resistance | <sup>2</sup>    |
| pKC5201 | Derivative of pKC1139 with apramycin gene replaced by neomycin resistance gene from SuperCos1                                                       | This study      |
| pTL3101 | SuperCos1-based, <i>S. flaveolus</i> genomic library cosmid                                                                                         | This study      |
| pTL3102 | SuperCos1-based, <i>S. flaveolus</i> genomic library cosmid                                                                                         | This study      |
| pTL3103 | SuperCos1-based, <i>S. flaveolus</i> genomic library cosmid                                                                                         | This study      |
| pTL3104 | SuperCos1-based, <i>S. flaveolus</i> genomic library cosmid                                                                                         | This study      |
| pTL3105 | SuperCos1-based, <i>S. flaveolus</i> genomic library cosmid                                                                                         | This study      |
| pTL3106 | SuperCos1-based, <i>S. flaveolus</i> genomic library cosmid                                                                                         | This study      |
| pTL3107 | SuperCos1-based, <i>S. flaveolus</i> genomic library cosmid                                                                                         | This study      |
| pTL3111 | pKC1139 derivative for gene replacement of <i>pks</i>                                                                                               | This study      |
| pTL3113 | pKC5201 derivative for gene replacement of <i>sfaA</i>                                                                                              | This study      |
| pTL3114 | pKC1139 derivative for gene replacement of <i>orf3</i>                                                                                              | This study      |
| pTL3115 | pKC1139 derivative for gene replacement of <i>sfaK</i>                                                                                              | This study      |
| pTL3116 | pKC1139 derivative for gene replacement of <i>sfaR</i>                                                                                              | This study      |
| pTL3117 | pKC1139 derivative for gene replacement of <i>orf4</i>                                                                                              | This study      |
| pTL3201 | pSP72 derivative containing <i>ermE</i> resistant gene                                                                                              | This study      |

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|---------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
|         | from pAGe-1                                                                                        |            |
| pTL3202 | pTL3104 derivative for gene replacement                                                            | This study |
| pTL3203 | pTL3202 derivative contains <i>ermE</i> resistant gene<br>from pTL3201                             | This study |
| pTL3205 | pTL3102 derivative with the <i>sfaA</i> gene replaced by<br><i>acc(3)IV-oriT</i>                   | This study |
| pTL3206 | pANT841 derivative containing left arm for <i>orf3</i> in<br>frame deletion                        | This study |
| pTL3207 | pGEM 5zf derivative containing right arm for <i>orf3</i> in<br>frame deletion                      | This study |
| pTL3208 | pGEM 5zf derivative containing left arm for <i>sfaK</i> in<br>frame deletion                       | This study |
| pTL3209 | pGEM 5zf derivative containing right arm for <i>sfaK</i> in<br>frame deletion                      | This study |
| pTL3210 | pSP72 derivative containing 4.7 kb <i>BglII-KpnI</i><br>fragment of TL3102                         | This study |
| pTL3211 | pSP72 derivative containing left and right arm for<br><i>sfaR</i> in gene replacement              | This study |
| pTL3212 | pTL3211 derivative containing left and right arm for<br><i>orf4</i> gene replacement               | This study |
| pTL3213 | pET28a derivative containing <i>NdeI-HindIII</i> fragment<br>of <i>sfaR</i> for protein expression | This study |

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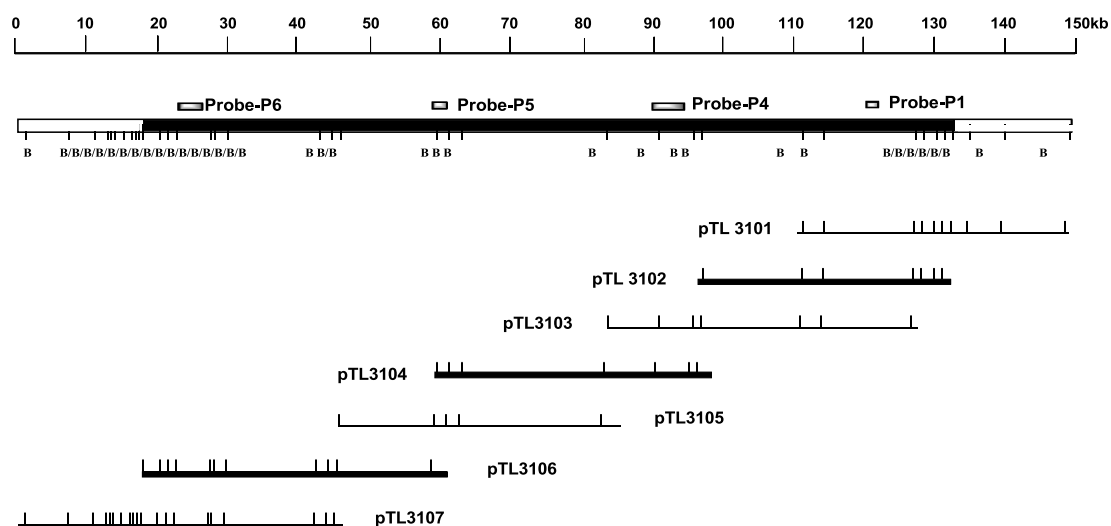
**Table S2. Primers used in this study for verification of the genotype**

|             |                                              |
|-------------|----------------------------------------------|
| <i>orf3</i> | orf3-gt-for: 5'-GCGCTGGATCTGCTGAAGGTCC-3'    |
|             | orf3-gt-rev: 5'- GATGTAGTCGCGCGAGATGCCG-3'   |
| <i>sfaK</i> | sfaK-gt-for: 5'-ACTGATCAAGGCCGTACTCG-3'      |
|             | SfaK-gt-rev: 5'-GACCTTCGTGTCGTACACCTC-3'     |
| <i>sfaR</i> | sfaR-gt-for: 5'-GTGAACGAGATACTCAGCGCC-3'     |
|             | sfaR-gt-rev: 5'-TCAGACCGGCTCTGTCTGCGG-3'     |
| <i>orf4</i> | orf4-gt-for: 5'-GCAACGTGCACCACGGCAAGG-3'     |
|             | orf4-gt-rev: 5'-CCAAGGCCGAACGCGATCTCC-3'     |
| <i>sfaA</i> | sfaA-gt-for: 5'-TTTCCATGGAAATCGGCTCGGGCGC    |
|             | sfaA-gt-rev: 5'-TTTAAGCTTGTATATCAACCGCCATTAG |
|             | TTTTTCAATGGATG                               |

**Fig. S1 Alignment of the partial amino acid sequences of crotonyl-CoA reductases.** Conserved residues shaded in yellow are used for degenerate primer design. S.avermt: CCR from *S. avermitilis* MA-4680 (Accession no. NP\_823087); S.cinnam: CCR from *S. cinamonensis* (Accession no. AAD53915); S.coelic: CCR from *S. coelicolor* A3(2) (Accession no. NP\_630556); S.collin: CCR from *S. collinus* (Accession no. AAA92890); S.diasta: CCR from *S. diastaticus* (Accession no. AAR16523); S. fradia: CCR from *S. fradiae* (Accession no. CAA57474); S.hygnos: CCR from *S. hygrosopicus* (Accession no. AAR32675); S.kanamy: CCR from *S. kanamyceticus* (Accession no. CAI96521); S.spHK80: CCR from *S. sp. HK803* (Accession no. AAQ84149).

|           |              |                        |
|-----------|--------------|------------------------|
|           | 70           | 352                    |
| S.avermt  | LVAVMASSVNYN | SVW.....RYLWMSLKRIIGSH |
| S.cinnam  | LVAVMASSVNYN | SVW.....RYLWMSLKRIIGSH |
| S.coelic  | LVAVMASSVNYN | SVW.....RYLWMSLKRIIGSH |
| S.collin  | LVAVMASSVNYN | SVW.....RYLWMSLKRIIGSH |
| S.diasta  | LVAVMASSVNYN | SVW.....RYLWMSLKRIIGSH |
| S.fradia  | LVAVMASSVNYN | TVW.....RYLWMSLKRIIGSH |
| S.hygnos  | LVAVMASSINYN | TVW.....RYLWMSLKRIIGSH |
| S.kanamy  | LVAVMASSVNYN | SVW.....RYLWMSLKRIIGSH |
| S.spHK80  | LIAVMASSINYN | TVW.....RYLWMSLKRIIGSH |
| Consensus | MASSvNYN     | WMSLKRIi               |

**Fig. S2 Restriction map of the 150 kb DNA region from *Streptomyces flaveolus* DSM9954.** Three overlapping cosmids pTL3102, pTL3014 and pTL3106 were selected for further DNA sequencing. Solid rectangles indicate the probe loci. B, *Bam*HI.



**Fig. S3 Alignment of the partial amino acid sequences of the AT domains from SFA cluster.** Sequence in blocks A, B, C correlate with malonyl-CoA, (2S)-2-methylmalonyl-CoA, and putative (2S)-2-(2-oxobutyl)malonyl-CoA specificity. Residues shaded in bright yellow are essential for catalytic activity. The residue G marked in red is assumed to enlarge the binding cavity of SfaI-M13-AT to accept the more bulky substrate. Position of residues are corresponding to the prototypical AT, *E. coli* FabD<sup>3</sup>.

|                                       | A           | B           | C          |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|------------|
| <b>Malonyl-CoA</b>                    | 63          | 94          | 121        |
| SfaF-M4-AT                            | RTVYAQ..... | GHSVGE..... | R.....HAFH |
| SfaG-M6-AT                            | RTAYAQ..... | GHSVGE..... | R.....HAFH |
| SfaH-M7-AT                            | RTLYAQ..... | GHSVGE..... | R.....HAFH |
| SfaH-M9-AT                            | RTVYAQ..... | GHSVGE..... | R.....HAFH |
| SfaH-M10-AT                           | RTVYAQ..... | GHSVGE..... | R.....HAFH |
| SfaH-M11-AT                           | DTGYGQ..... | GHSVGE..... | R.....HAFH |
| SfaK-AT                               | DTRLAQ..... | GHSVGE..... | R.....AAFH |
| <b>(2S)-2-methylmalonyl-CoA</b>       |             |             |            |
| SfaE-M1-AT                            | RVDVVQ..... | GHSQGE..... | R.....YASH |
| SfaF-M2-AT                            | RVDVVQ..... | GHSQGE..... | R.....YASH |
| SfaF-M3-AT                            | RVDVVQ..... | GHSQGE..... | R.....YASH |
| SfaG-M5-AT                            | RVDVVQ..... | GHSQGE..... | R.....YASH |
| SfaH-M8-AT                            | RVDVVQ..... | GHSQGE..... | R.....YASH |
| SfaI-M12-AT                           | RVDVVQ..... | GHSQGE..... | R.....YASH |
| <b>(2S)-2-(2-oxobutyl)malonyl-CoA</b> |             |             |            |
| SfaI-M13-AT                           | RVDVVQ..... | GHSQGE..... | R.....GASH |

**Fig. S4 Alignment of the partial amino acid sequences of the KR domains from the SFA cluster.** Boxed residues are important for NADPH binding and characteristic residues for each KR-type are marked in blue or red. The yellow shading is used to highlight catalytic residues for ketoreductase activity. Based on the model <sup>4</sup>, the KR of M5 (with residue W141 and without H146) belongs to the A1 type to form “*syn*” L-products; M12 (with residues W141 and H146) belongs to the A2 type to form “*anti*” L-products; and the remaining are B1 type KRs (with the characteristic LDD motif and without P151) which form “*anti*” D-products. The SfaK-DH/KR didomain shows typical characteristic residues of B1-type KR (the NADPH binding site locates at -151 compare to others). Positions of residues are corresponding to SfaF-M4-AT.

|                   |                                               |                   |     |     |     |     |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| <b>A1-type</b>    | 10                                            | 92                | 113 | 136 | 141 | 151 |
| SfaG-M5-KR        | GTGGIGGHVA.....ERY.....K.....S                | GAGVWGSSGQAAYAAAN |     |     |     |     |
| <b>A2-type</b>    |                                               |                   |     |     |     |     |
| SfaI-M12-KR       | GTGALGPHLV.....LEL.....K.....S                | VAGVWGSGLHAPYAAAN |     |     |     |     |
| <b>B1-type</b>    |                                               |                   |     |     |     |     |
| SfaE-M1-KR        | A.GVIGGMLA.....LDD.....K.....S                | AAATLGTPAQANYAAAN |     |     |     |     |
| SfaF-M3-KR        | GTGTIGALCA.....LDD.....K.....S                | TSGLFGAPGQGNAAAGN |     |     |     |     |
| SfaF-M4-KR        | GTGALGGHTA.....LDD.....K.....A                | LGGVVGAGQANYAAAN  |     |     |     |     |
| SfaG-M6-KR        | GTGALGGLVA.....LDD.....K.....S                | AAGTFGAPGQGNAAAN  |     |     |     |     |
| SfaH-M7-KR        | GTGALGRLVA.....LDD.....K.....S                | LAGVVGSAQGQGYAAAN |     |     |     |     |
| SfaH-M8-KR        | GTGVLGALVA.....LDD.....K.....S                | LAGVVGSAQGQGYAAAN |     |     |     |     |
| SfaH-M9-KR        | GTGALGARVA.....LAD.....K.....S                | LAGTLGNPGQAAYAAAN |     |     |     |     |
| SfaH-M10-KR       | GTGALGRVVA.....LDD.....K.....S                | LAGVVGSAQGQGYAAAN |     |     |     |     |
| SfaH-M11-KR       | ATGSLGTLVV.....LDD.....K.....S                | AAGLLGAPGQANYAAAN |     |     |     |     |
| SfaI-M13-KR       | ASGDLGALVA.....LDD.....K.....S                | VAGTFGGLGQGNAAAGN |     |     |     |     |
| SfaK-DH/KR domain |                                               |                   |     |     |     |     |
|                   | -151                                          | 10                | 92  | 113 | 136 | 151 |
|                   | GGCAVGDVIA....GARGITARVAR.....VRD.....K.....S | IAGVTGNRGQTDYAAAN |     |     |     |     |

**Fig. S5 Alignment of the partial amino acid sequences of the DH, ER and ACP domains from SFA cluster.** Bright yellow is used to highlight catalytic residues for dehydration **a)**, enoyl reduction **b)** and acyl carrier activity **c)**. SfaH-M13-DH and SfaF-M3-DH are anticipated to be inactive due to the lack of histidine 68. Position of residues are referenced relative to SfaE-M1-DH, SfaE-M1-ER and SfaE-LM-ACP, respectively.

**a**

|             | 36         | 68     | 72    | 77 |
|-------------|------------|--------|-------|----|
| SfaE-M1-DH  | HPLLA..... | HTVLG  | TALLP |    |
| SfaG-M6-DH  | HPLLS..... | HTVRG  | SALLP |    |
| SfaH-M7-DH  | HPLLR..... | HSVLG  | TPVLP |    |
| SfaH-M8-DH  | HPLLG..... | HVVLG  | TTLLP |    |
| SfaH-M10-DH | HPLLG..... | HAILG  | PALLP |    |
| SfaH-M11-DH | HPLLG..... | HTVLD  | TVLLP |    |
| SfaH-M13-DH | HPLLG..... | E..... | AP    |    |
| SfaF-M3-DH  | HPLLG..... |        | LP    |    |

**b**

|            | 114                  | 130 |
|------------|----------------------|-----|
| SfaE-M1-ER | RVLVHAAAGGVGMAAVRVAR |     |
| SfaG-M6-ER | RVLVHAAAGGVGMAAVRVAR |     |

**c**

|              | 34                |
|--------------|-------------------|
| SfaE-LM-ACP  | GLRSL             |
| SfaE-M1-ACP  | GFDSL             |
| SfaF-M2-ACP  | GFDSL             |
| SfaF-M3-ACP  | GFDSL             |
| SfaF-M4-ACP  | GFDSL             |
| SfaG-M5-ACP  | GFDSL             |
| SfaG-M6-ACP  | GFDSL             |
| SfaH-M7-ACP  | GFDSL             |
| SfaH-M8-ACP  | GFDSL             |
| SfaH-M9-ACP  | GFD <del>SM</del> |
| SfaH-M10-ACP | GFDSL             |
| SfaH-M11-ACP | GFDSL             |
| SfaI-M12-ACP | GFD <del>SI</del> |
| SfaI-M13-ACP | GFDSL             |
| SfaK-ACP     | GVD <del>SL</del> |

**Fig. S6 a)** Alignment of substrate specificity-conferring residues for the SFA NRPS SfaD. Bright yellow is used to highlight key residues of adenylation domains for substrate selectivity. GrsA from *Brevibacillus brevis* (Accession no. P0C061); SfaD-M14-A, SfaD-M15-A, SfaD-M16-A are from this study. **b)** Adenylation domains with most identical substrate specificity-conferring motifs are shown. Conserved residues are highlighted in red. Positions of residues are referenced relative to GrsA.

**a**

|            | 235   | 239 | 278 | 299 | 322 | 330 | 517 |
|------------|-------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| GrsA       | DASVW |     | T   | ITA | A   | TC  | K   |
| SfaD-M14-A | DASTY |     | W   | VVG | G   | TF  | K   |
| SfaD-M15-A | DISTY |     | C   | LTG | A   | AF  | K   |
| SfaD-M16-A | DVHVQ |     | F   | SQA | H   | VV  | K   |

**b**

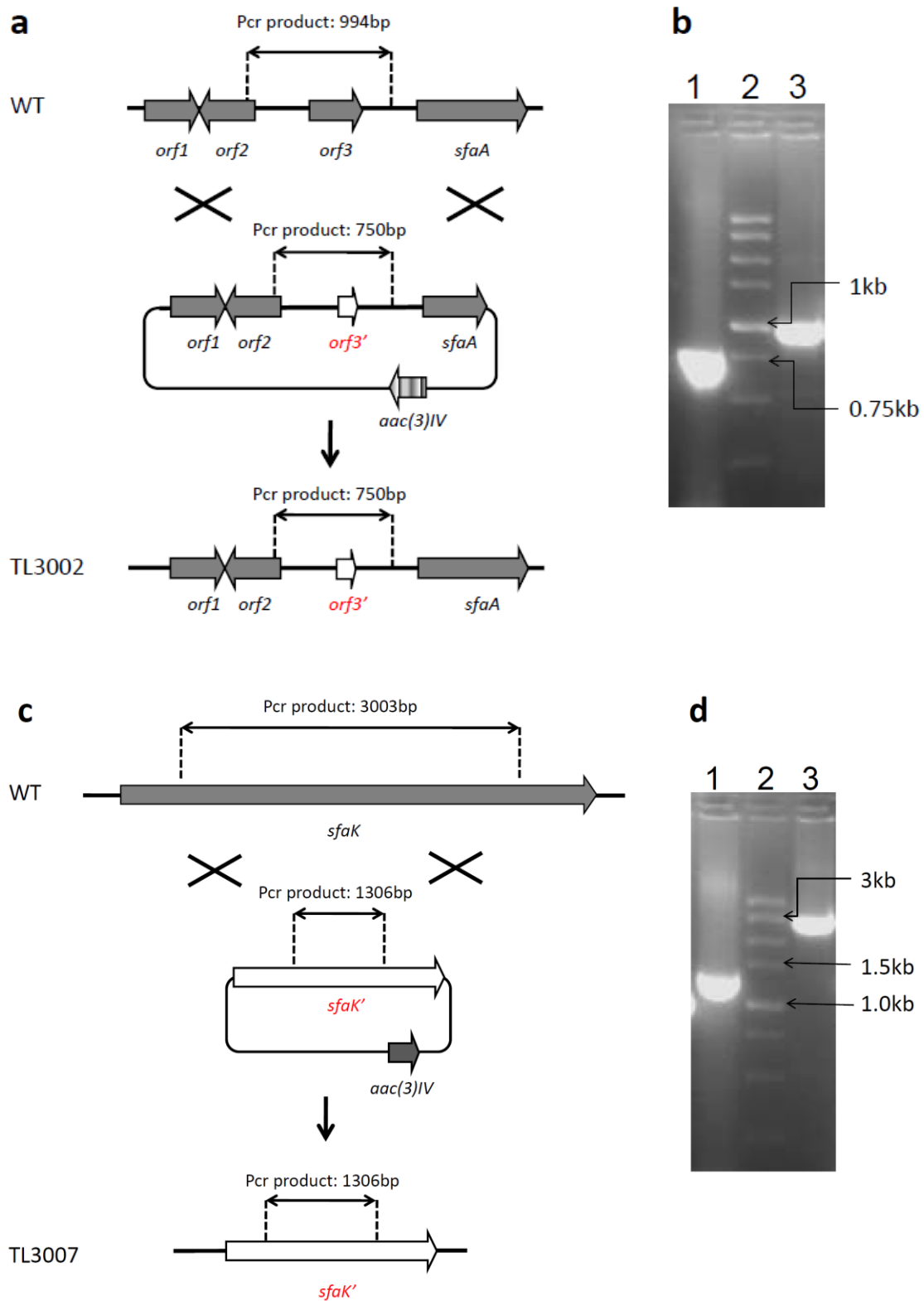
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Val DAFWI<sup>red</sup>GGTFK

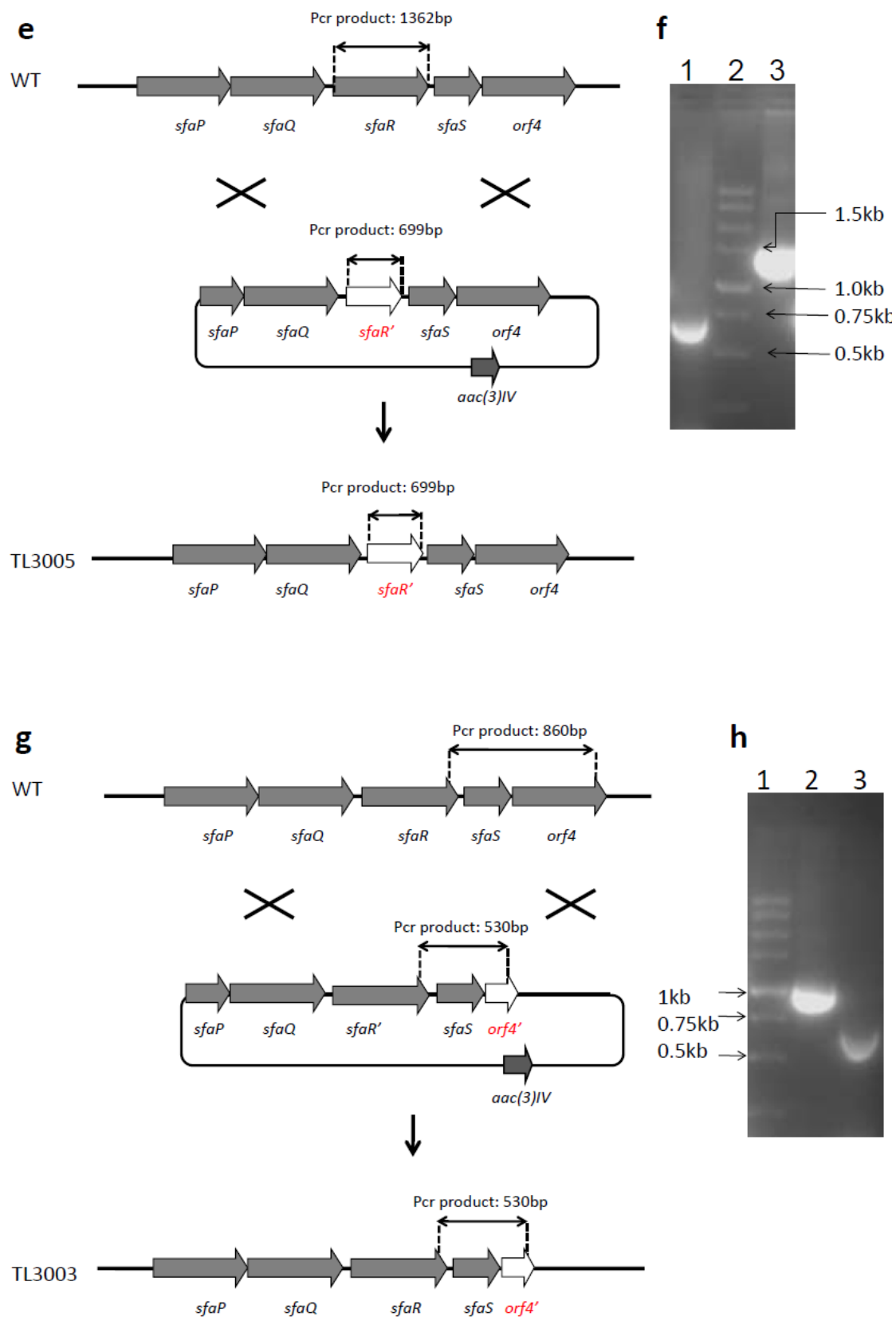
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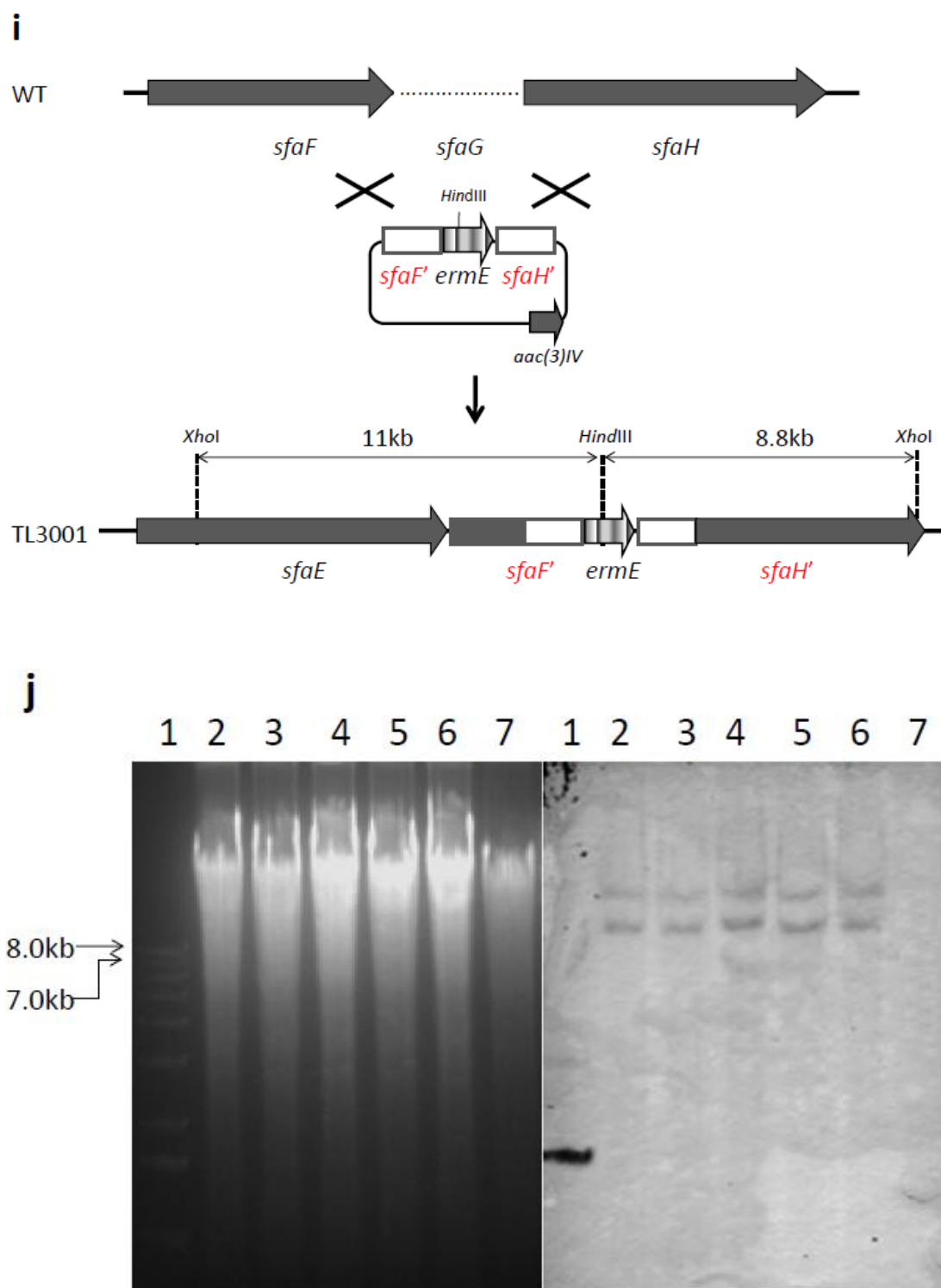
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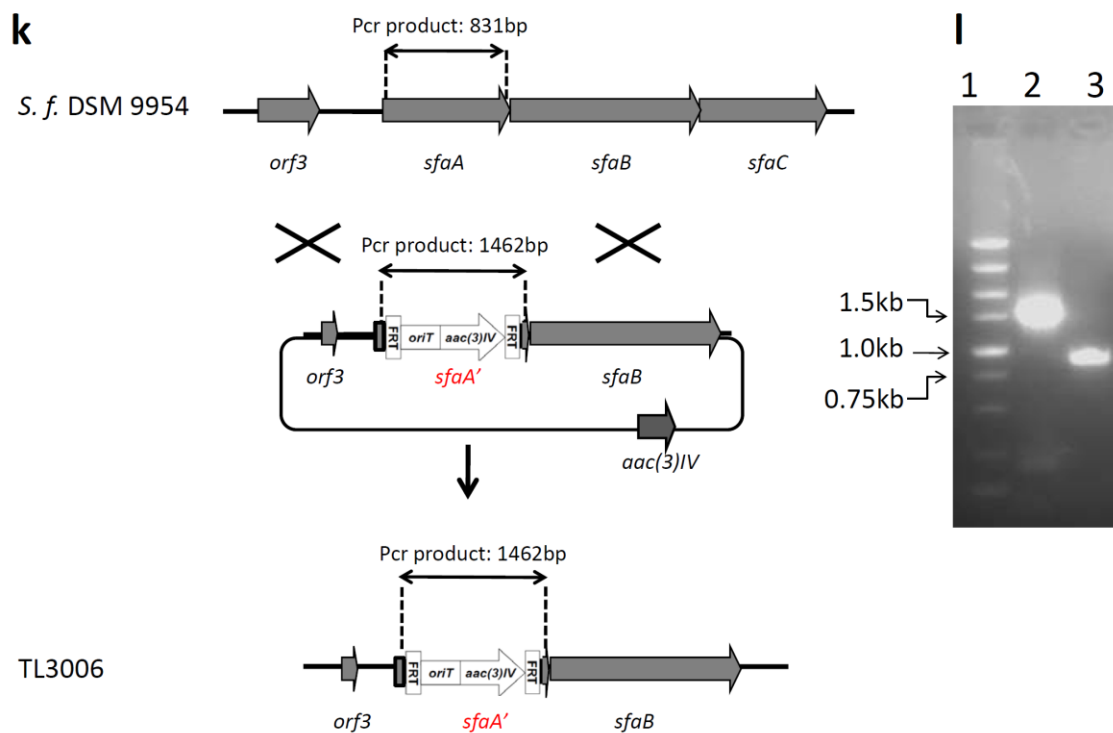
**Fig. S7 Verification of *S. flaveolus* mutant genotypes**

- a) Construction of the *orf3* inframe deletion mutant and the size of the PCR fragments from wild-type strain and TL3002.
- b) PCR analysis of TL3002 (lane 1) and wild-type strain (lane 3). Lane 2, molecular weight marker.
- c) Construction of the *sfaK* inframe deletion mutant and the size of the PCR fragments from wild-type strain and TL3007.
- d) PCR analysis of TL3007 (lane 1) and wild-type strain (lane 3). Lane 2, molecular weight marker.
- e) Construction of the *sfaR* gene deletion mutant and the size of the PCR fragments from wild-type strain and TL3005.
- f) PCR analysis of TL3005 (lane 1) and wild-type strain (lane 3). Lane 2, molecular weight marker.
- g) Construction of the *orf4* gene deletion mutant and the size of the PCR fragments from wild-type strain and TL3003.
- h) PCR analysis of TL3003 (lane 3) and wild-type strain (lane 2). Lane 1, molecular weight marker.
- i) Construction of the *pks* deletion mutant (partial *sfaF*, *sfaH* and intact *sfaG*) and the restriction map of TL3001 showing the fragment sizes upon *XhoI-HindIII* digestion.
- j) Gel (left) and Southern (right) analysis of TL3001 genomic DNA (Lanes 2~6 are five individual isolates). A 1.8 kb *KpnI* fragment from pAGe-1 containing *ermE* was used as the probe. *XhoI-HindIII* digested TL3001 and wild-type strain genomic DNA (Lane 7) were tested by Southern analysis. Lane 1, molecular weight marker.
- k) Construction of the *sfaA* gene replacement mutant and the size of the PCR fragments from wild-type strain and TL3006.
- l) PCR analysis of TL3006 (lane 2) and wild-type strain (lane 3). Lane 1, molecular weight marker.



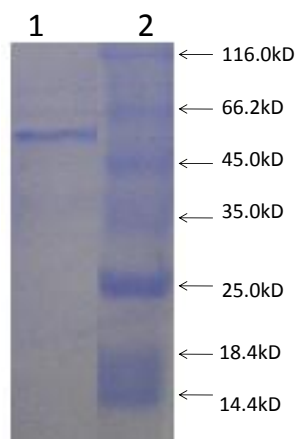






**Fig. S8 10% SDS-PAGE of purified SfaR.**

Lane1: SfaR; Lane2: protein ladder (Fermentas, SM0431)

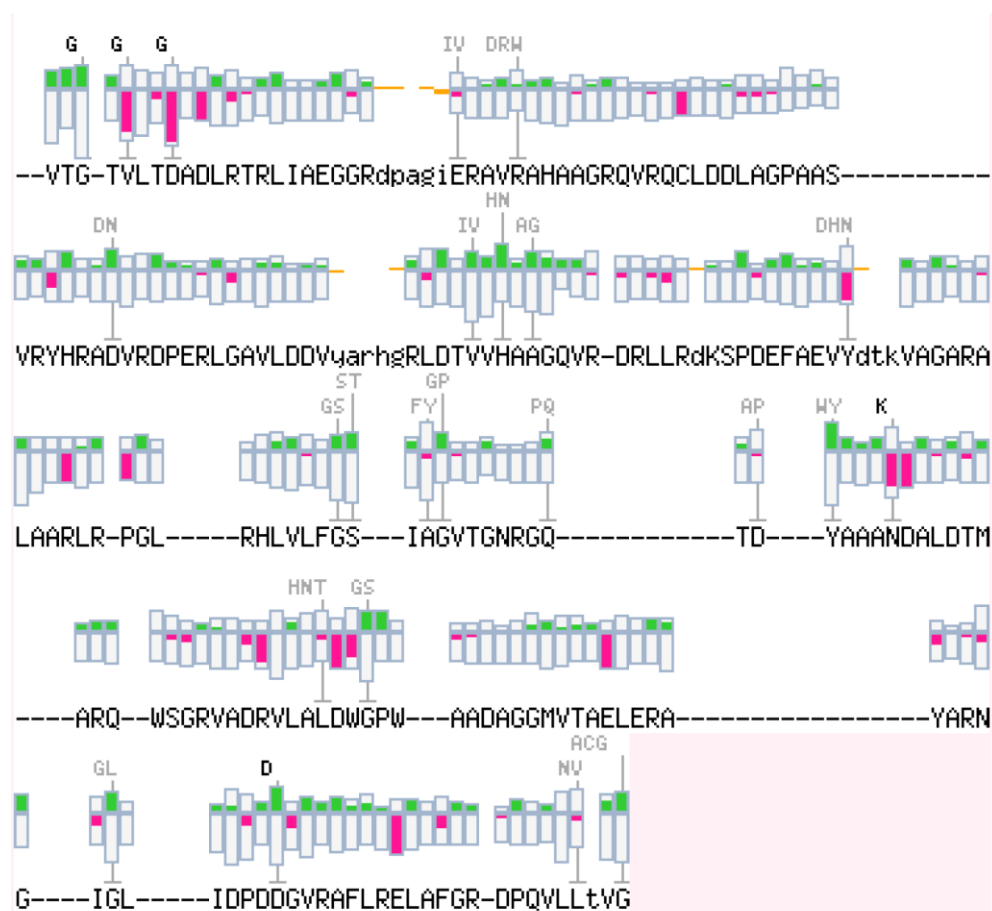


# Fig. S9 Sequence analysis of SfaK-DH/KR didomain.

a) The DH/KR didomain sequence; Characteristic residues for NADPH binding are marked in blue; and active site residues for KR are marked in red (also see Figure S4).

ATRTGPDGPGPDGPGRQTAVPEPETMPAGASD TVRHVVPEVPPEPPAGPL  
PTLTRA AVS **GGG**AV**GD**VLATLLKERGTEVVS DPAGCDALLLLDALDGGDYTL  
PGRFTDIRAAVLGGLRTL LLLATCHDAGPAGSGVHGLARALSREHPGLAVTAV  
DLPAGQPAEEAARTLLAELGGS RPSVTHTDGRRAVWRTRPAPLPAADV TAG  
DLGLDRDSVLLTG GARGITARVARALATLTGCHLELVGRSEPVTGTVLT DAD  
LRTRLIAEGGRDPAGIERAVRAHAAGRQVRQCLDDL AGPAASVRYHRADV R  
DPERLGAVLDDVYARHGRLDTVVHAAGQVRDRLLRD **K**SPDEFAEVYDTKVA  
GARALAARLRPGLRHLVLFG **S**IAGVTGNRGQTD **Y**AAAN **D**ALDTMARQWSG  
RVADRVLALDWGPWAADAGGMVTAELERAYARNGIGLIDPDDGVRAFLREL  
AFGRDPQVLLTVGDPAGFGSALD

b) The achieved data from Motif Scan. Characteristic residues for NADPH dependent dehydratase family are shown in the top of each line; below is the sequence of DH/KR didomain (position: 249-474, raw-score = -61.1, N-score = 10.821 and E-value = 3.2 e-4)



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