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Amino acid sequences alignment of Oxidored\_FMN domain in OPR genes from eleven species representing six major lineages within the green plants: the green algae (*Chlamydomonas reinhardtii* and *Volvox carteri*), the mosses (*Physcomitrella patens*), the lycophytes (*Selaginella moellendorffii*), the gymnosperms (*Picea sitchensis*), the monocotyledoneous angiosperms (*Oryza sativa*, *Sorghum bicolor* and *Zea mays*) and the dicotyledoneous angiosperms (*Arabidopsis thaliana*, *Populus trichocarpa* and *Medicago truncatula*). Only 3 of 74 OPR genes (AtOPR01-2/3 and SbOPR06-4) without complete Oxidored\_FMN domain are excluded, while the outgroup ScOYE1 from yeast (Saito et al., 1991) is included in the alignment. The blue blocks below the alignment represent the fragments selected by the Gblocks program (Castresana, 2000; Talavera and Castresana, 2007) with default parameters underlined. Positions of the alignments where more than 50% of the sequences are identical are shown with black boxes. The secondary structure elements are represented at the bottom of the alignment as tubes or arrows shown in gray based on structural information from OPR proteins AtOPR1 (Fox et al., 2005), AtOPR3 (Malone et al., 2005) and LeOPR3 (Breithaupt et al., 2006). The intron positions of putative ancestral OPR are represented at the top of the alignment as red vertical arrows, and I<sub>1</sub>~I<sub>12</sub> represent intron 1~12. The seven conserved OPR subfamilies are represented as I, II, III, IV, V, VI and VII at the left side of the alignment.

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