

***PlodAB***

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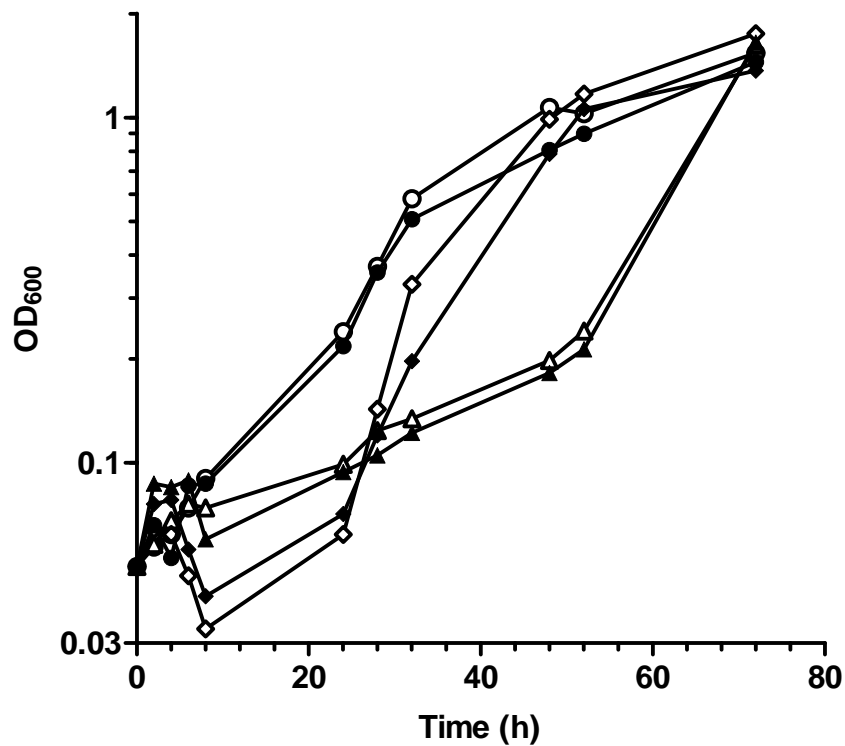
***PppoA***

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**aagg**actcatcaatg

***PppoB***

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**Fig. S1.** Comparison of promoters of different *M. mediterranea* genes encoding oxidases: *PlodAB* (this study), *PppoA* (1), *PppoB* (2). All sequences are shown up to the initial ATG codon. Putative rbs in bold. Transcriptional start site determined by 5'-RACE in bold upper case. Predicted -10 and -35 hexamers are underlined. Brackets in *PlodA* sequence indicate the two fragments cloned for generating *lacZ* fusions, *PlodAB* (252 bp) and *PlodAB* (115 bp). Double underlined italics indicate palindromic sequences of unknown function.



**Fig. S2.** Use of L-Lys, L-Arg and DAP by *M. mediterranea* MMB1-R (closed symbols) and LD (open symbols). Both strains were inoculated in MNL (glucose 30 mM and L-Lys 3 mM as nitrogen source) (diamonds) and media in which L-Lys is substituted by L-Arg (triangles) or DAP (circles).

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