

The *P. putida* Cra protein has 74% similarity and 48% identity with the *E. coli* counterpart. Identity increases to 70% in the predicted DNA binding domain of the proteins. The DNA binding module is located in the N-terminal side and it is formed by the first 57 amino acids of the proteins (indicated with a black line). Amino acids that form the effector-binding pocket are marked with black boxes. Note that 85%

of the amino acids that form the pocket of the *P. putida* protein are identical (100% similar) to those of *E.* 

2 coli and S. typhimurium. The only changes are Phe220 (Tyr in E. coli) and Tyr 248 (Phe in E. coli). The

alignment and the conservation score were carried out with the PRALINE software. The scoring ranks

(consistency values) from 0 for the least conserved alignment position, up to 10 for the most conserved

5 alignment position.

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