



Supplemental Figure 1. Analysis of PorB mutants. Coomassie staining of purified recombinant PorB loop mutants. **A)** conventional SDS-PAGE and **B)** modified PAGE (SDS-free). Prior to electrophoresis, PorB aliquots were heated in sample loading buffer in the presence or absence of 2% SDS as indicated. Bands of mol. weight corresponding to monomers (M), dimers (D), trimers (T) and oligomeric forms (O) were observed. Lanes 1 and 2, PorB^{GEG}; lanes 3 and 4, PorB^{DDE255-262AKR}; lanes 4 and 5, PorB^{L143P}.