

Foundations of Bioinformatics - Find a Gene Project Part I

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Question 1:

Name of protein: bacteriorhodopsin

Species: *Halobacterium salinarum*

Accession number: WP_136361479

Function: photon powered proton pump

Bacteriorhodopsin is not unique to *H. salinarum*, being found in many species of the Archaea. However, the crystal structure of bacteriorhodopsin has been solved for *H. salinarum* (PDB 1FBB), thus it seemed a good choice to focus on the bacteriorhodopsin of this particular species.

Question 2:

I chose to search for sequences homologous to WP_136361479 in the nucleotide collection (nr/nt) using tblastn. With the exception of increasing the maximum number of hits to 250 and excluding results from the taxa *Halobacteria* (*taxid:183963*) (as this is the taxa in which my example protein is found) I left the search parameters at their default values.

Search Parameters	
Program	tblastn
Word size	6
Expect value	0.05
Hitlist size	250
Gapcosts	11,1
Matrix	BLOSUM62
Low Complexity Filter	Yes
Filter string	L;
Genetic Code	1
Window Size	40
Threshold	21
Composition-based stats	2

Database	
Posted date	Jan 11, 2022 7:15 PM
Number of letters	632,502,643,815
Number of sequences	77,938,138
Entrez query	Excludes: Halobacteria (taxid:183963)

Karlin-Altschul statistics		
Lambda	0.323382	0.267
K	0.138507	0.041
H	0.430778	0.14
Alpha	0.7916	1.9
Alpha_v	4.96466	42.6028
Sigma		43.6362

Screenshot 1: Parameters for tblastn search used to find Gene X

Of the many hits that were found, one was to a region of *Aureobasidium melanogenum* strain P16's chromosome 6. This chromosome is unannotated and so the alignment may signify a novel protein. The hit can be seen highlighted in blue in the screenshot below (which has a break because I elected to omit some intervening sequences which were annotated and so not of interest).

i Your search is limited to records that exclude: Halobacteria (taxid:183963)

Job Title	WP_136361479.1 bacteriorhodopsin [Halobacterium...
RID	YPAV4J0B01R Search expires on 01-23 04:53 am Download All ▼
Program	TBLASTN Citation ▼
Database	nt See details ▼
Query ID	lcl Query_26419
Description	WP_136361479.1 bacteriorhodopsin [Halobacterium salin...
Molecule type	amino acid
Query Length	263
Other reports	?

Filter Results

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	Description	Scientific Name	Max Score	Total Score	Query Cover	E value	Per. Ident	Acc. Len	Accession
<input type="checkbox"/>	Synthetic Halobacterium halobium bacteriorhodopsin gene, complete cds	synthetic constr...	432	432	94%	4e-151	89.52%	761	J02755.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	Synthetic Halobacterium halobium bacterioopsin (bO) gene, complete cds	synthetic constr...	432	432	94%	1e-150	89.52%	810	M17215.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	Artificial gene for bacterioopsin	synthetic constr...	431	431	94%	2e-150	89.16%	795	X70259.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	Synthetic construct ChR2-EYFP-betaB gene, complete cds	synthetic constr...	437	437	94%	3e-144	89.56%	2721	JN836740.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	Synthetic construct hChR2(H134R)-mKate-hbetaB gene, complete cds	synthetic constr...	437	437	94%	3e-144	89.56%	2715	JN836742.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	Synthetic construct hChR2(D156A)-mKate-hbetaB gene, complete cds	synthetic constr...	437	437	94%	4e-144	89.56%	2715	JN836744.1
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Aureobasidium melanogenum CBS 110374 family A G protein-coupled receptor-like protein (M437DRAFT...	Aureobasidium...	91.7	91.7	75%	2e-17	30.29%	933	XM_041024157.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	Guillardia theta CCMP2712 hypothetical protein (GUTHDRAFT_86360) mRNA, complete cds	Guillardia theta...	91.3	91.3	78%	3e-17	30.58%	915	XM_005834275.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mytilinidion resinicola family A G protein-coupled receptor-like protein (BDZ99DRAFT_421473) mRNA	Mytilinidion resi...	92.8	92.8	73%	3e-17	31.03%	1237	XM_033716951.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	Guillardia theta CCMP2712 hypothetical protein (GUTHDRAFT_150796) mRNA, complete cds	Guillardia theta...	90.9	90.9	76%	3e-17	29.35%	876	XM_005838672.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	Methylobacterium populi strain YC-XJ1 chromosome, complete genome	Methylobacterium...	93.6	93.6	67%	4e-17	35.11%	5395646	CP039546.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cryptomonas sp. S2 opsin mRNA, complete cds	Cryptomonas s...	90.5	90.5	77%	4e-17	29.47%	827	DQ133531.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	Coniosporium apollinis CBS 100218 hypothetical protein, partial mRNA	Coniosporium a...	90.9	90.9	92%	4e-17	31.27%	939	XM_007779669.1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Aureobasidium melanogenum strain P16 chromosome 6	Aureobasidium...	93.2	93.2	75%	4e-17	29.81%	1993776	CP061922.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	Methylobacterium mesophilicum SR1.6/6 chromosome, complete genome	Methylobacteriu...	93.2	93.2	76%	5e-17	31.60%	6555179	CP043538.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ascochyta rabiei uncharacterized protein (EKO05_003711) partial mRNA	Ascochyta rabiei	90.5	90.5	70%	5e-17	33.67%	915	XM_038939093.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	Kwoniella mangroviensis CBS 8507 hypothetical protein, partial mRNA	Kwoniella mang...	90.9	90.9	70%	6e-17	35.00%	987	XM_019143364.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	Diplodia corticola family a g protein-coupled receptor-like protein (BKCO1_7000114) partial mRNA	Diplodia corticola	90.9	90.9	75%	6e-17	32.21%	963	XM_020278557.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	Uncultured archaeon clone 18BRB4 bacteriorhodopsin (bop) gene, partial cds	uncultured arch...	86.3	86.3	44%	6e-17	42.74%	380	KM226199.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pseudomicrostroma glucosiphilum family A G protein-coupled receptor-like protein (BCV69DRAFT_2799...	Pseudomicrostr...	91.7	91.7	67%	6e-17	37.57%	1240	XM_025491421.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	Aureobasidium melanogenum strain TN3-1 chromosome 6	Aureobasidium...	92.8	92.8	75%	7e-17	30.77%	1894975	CP061985.1

Screenshot 2: Search results for tblastn with parameters as specified in Screenshot 1.

The alignment is as follows:

Aureobasidium melanogenum strain P16 chromosome 6

Sequence ID: [CP061922.1](#) Length: 1993776 Number of Matches: 1

Range 1: 635806 to 636423 [GenBank](#) [Graphics](#)

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Score	Expect	Method	Identities	Positives	Gaps	Frame
93.2 bits(230)	4e-17	Compositional matrix adjust.	68/208(33%)	111/208(53%)	12/208(5%)	+1
Query 41		FLVKGMGVSDPDACK-FYAITTLVPAIAFTMYLSMLLGYGLTMVPFGGEQN-----				90
		F+ G+G++ P + F+ IT + +A Y SM G T + +N				
Sbjct 635806		FVFLGLGITKPRQHRVFHYITAAITMVAIAIYFSMGSNLGWTPIDVEFRRNDPVVRGINR				635985
Query 91		PIYWARYADWLFTTPllllldlallvdadQGTILALVGADGIMIGTGLVGALTKVYSYRFV				150
		I++ RY DW TTPLLL+DL L T+L +V D +MI TGLVGAL + SY++				
Sbjct 635986		EIFYVRYVDWFITTPLLLMDDLLTAAMPWPTVLFVVLVDEVMIVTGLVGALVRS-SYKWG				636162
Query 151		WWAISTAAMLYILYVLFFGFTSKAESMRPEVASTFKVLRNVTVVLWSAYPVVWLIGSEGA				210
		++A AA+ Y+++VL + A ++ +V F + ++T LW YP+ W + EG				
Sbjct 636163		YFAFGCAALFYVVFVLVWEARRHANALGSDVGKAFTICGSLTTFWLWILYPIAWGL-CEGG				636339
Query 211		GIVPLNIETLLFMVLDVSAKVGFGLLIL 238				
		++ + E + + +LD+ AK FG +L+				
Sbjct 636340		NLISPDSEAIIFYGILDLLAKPVFGALLI 636423				

Screenshot 3: Alignment of hit of interest with Bacteriorhodopsin from the NCBI tblastn search results

Query	41	FLVKGMGVSDPDACK-FYAITTLVPAIAFTMYLSMLLGYGLTMVPFGGEQN-----	90
		F+ G+G++ P + F+ IT + +A Y SM G T + +N	
Sbjct	635806	FVFLGLGITKPRQHRVFHYITAAITMVAIAIYFSMGSNLGWTPIDVEFRRNDPVVRGINR	635985
Query	91	PIYWARYADWLFTTPllllldlallvdadQGTILALVGADGIMIGTGLVGALTKVYSYRFV	150
		I++ RY DW TTPLLL+DL L T+L +V D +MI TGLVGAL + SY++	
Sbjct	635986	EIFYVRYVDWFITTPLLLMDDLLTAAMPWPTVLFVVLVDEVMIVTGLVGALVRS-SYKWG	636162
Query	151	WWAISTAAMLYILYVLFFGFTSKAESMRPEVASTFKVLRNVTVVLWSAYPVVWLIGSEGA	210
		++A AA+ Y+++VL + A ++ +V F + ++T LW YP+ W + EG	
Sbjct	636163	YFAFGCAALFYVVFVLVWEARRHANALGSDVGKAFTICGSLTTFWLWILYPIAWGL-CEGG	636339
Query	211	GIVPLNIETLLFMVLDVSAKVGFGLLIL 238	
		++ + E + + +LD+ AK FG +L+	
Sbjct	636340	NLISPDSEAIIFYGILDLLAKPVFGALLI 636423	

The statistics for this alignment are as follows:

Score: 93.2 bits

Expect (e value): 4e-17

Method: Compositional matrix adjust.

Identities: 68/208 (33%)

Positives: 111/208 (53%)

Gaps: 12/208 (5%)

Frame: +1

While the percentage identity is poor, it is above 25% and the statistics seem sufficient for further investigation. From this point onwards this hit will be referred to as *Gene X* for convenience.

Question 3

Below is the full information on my chosen hit, "*Gene X*":

LOCUS CP061922 618 bp DNA linear PLN 15-APR-2021
 DEFINITION Aureobasidium melanogenum strain P16 chromosome 6.
 ACCESSION [CP061922](#) REGION: 635806..636423
 VERSION CP061922.1
 DBLINK BioProject: [PRJNA661658](#)
 BioSample: [SAMN16066980](#)
 KEYWORDS .
 SOURCE Aureobasidium melanogenum
 ORGANISM [Aureobasidium melanogenum](#)
 Eukaryota; Fungi; Dikarya; Ascomycota; Pezizomycotina;
 Dothideomycetes; Dothideomycetidae; Dothideaales; Saccoteciaceae;
 Aureobasidium.
 REFERENCE 1 (bases 1 to 618)
 AUTHORS Jia,S.
 TITLE Novel chromosomes and genomes provide new insights into evolution
 and adaptation of the whole genome duplicated yeast-like fungus
 TN3-1 isolated from natural honey
 JOURNAL Unpublished
 REFERENCE 2 (bases 1 to 618)
 AUTHORS Jia,S.
 TITLE Direct Submission
 JOURNAL Submitted (05-SEP-2020) College of Marine Life, Ocean University of
 China, No. 5 Yushan Road, Qingdao, Shandong 266003, China
 COMMENT ##Genome-Assembly-Data-START##
 Assembly Date :: 20-JAN-2020
 Assembly Method :: SOAPdenovo v. v.2.04.4; SMRT Link v.
 5.0.1
 Genome Representation :: Full
 Expected Final Version :: Yes
 Genome Coverage :: 100.0x
 Sequencing Technology :: Illumina HiSeq; PacBio
 ##Genome-Assembly-Data-END##
 FEATURES Location/Qualifiers
 source 1..618
 /organism="Aureobasidium melanogenum"
 /mol_type="genomic DNA"
 /strain="P16"
 /isolation_source="mangrove ecosystem"
 /db_xref="taxon:[46634](#)"
 /chromosome="6"
 /country="China:Hainan"
 /collection_date="2013-12-19"

Screenshot 4: Information about the hit, Gene X

The nucleotide sequence of the section of the genome which aligned in the search is provided below:

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> Aureobasidium melanogenum strain P16's chromosome 6 hit (Gene X)
TTTGTCTTCCTCGGTCTGGGTATCACCAAGCCTCGCCAGCACCGCGTCTTCCACTACATCACCGCTGCCATTACCAT
GGTCGCTGCTATTGCCTATTTCTCCATGGGTCTAACCTCGGCTGGACTCCCATCGATGTTGAGTTCCGCCGCAACG
ATCCTGTTGTTTCGCGGTATCAACCGTGAAATCTTCTACGTCCGCTACGTCGACTGGTTCATCACTACTCCTCTCCTC
CTCATGGATCTGTTGTTGACTGCCGCCATGCCCTGGCCCACTGTGCTCTTCGTCGTCTTGGTTGATGAAGTTATGAT
TGTCAGTGGTCTCGTTGGTGCTCTCGTCCGTTCTTCTTACAAGTGGGGTTACTTCGCCTTCGGCTGCGCTGCTCTCT
TCTACGTTGTCTTTGTTCTCGTCTGGGAGGCTCGCCGTCACGCCAACGCTCTCGGCAGCGATGTTGGCAAGGCCTTC
ACTATCTGTGGCTCGCTCACCACCTTCCTCTGGATTCTTTACCCTATCGCCTGGGGTCTCTGTGAGGGTGGCAACCT
  
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CATCTCTCCTGACTCCGAGGCTATCTTCTACGGTATCCTCGACCTGCTCGCTAAGCCTGTCTTTGGTGCTCTCCTCA
TC

Translation of just this section in all three frames using the ExPASy translation tool gives the following output:

5'3' Frame 1

FVFLGLGITKPRQHRVFHYITAAIT**M**VAAIAYFSMGSNLGWTPIDVEFRNDPVVRGINREIFYVRYVDWFITTPLL**LMDLLTAAMPWPTVLFVVLVDEVMIVTGLVGALVRSSYKWGYFAFGCAALFYVVFVLVWEARRHANALGSDVGKAF**TICGSLTTFLWILYPIAWGLCEGGNLISPDSEAIIFYGILDLLAKPVFGALLI

5'3' Frame 2

LSSSVVWVSPSLASTASSTSPLEPWSLLLPIFPWVLTSAGLPS**MLSSAATILLFAVSTVKSSTSATSTGSSLLSSSWICC-LPPCLGPLCSSSSWLMKL-LSLVSLVLSSVLLTSGVTSPSAALLSSTLSLFFSSGRLAVTPTLSAAMLARPSLSVARSPSSGFFTLSPGVSVRVATSSLLTPRLSSTVSSTCSLSLSVLSS**

5'3' Frame 3

CLPRSGYHQASPAPRLPLHHRCHYHGRCYCLFLHGF-**PRLD**SHRC-**VPPQR**SCCSRYQP-**NLLR**PLRRLVHHYSSPPHGSVVDCRHALAHCALRRLG--**SYD**CHWSRWCSRPFLLQVGLLRLRLRCSLLRCLCSRLGGSPSRQSRQRCWQGLHYLWLAHHLPLDSLPLRGLSL-**GWQ**PHLS-**LRGY**LLRYPRPAR-**ACL**WCSPH

3'5' Frame 1

DEESTKDRLSEQVEDTVEDSLGVRDEVATLTETPGDRVKNPEEGGERATDSEGLANIAAESVGVTASLPDENKDNVEESSAAEGEVTPLVRRTDESTNETSDNHNFINQDDEEHSGPRHGGSQQQIHEEERSDEFPVDVADVEDFTVDTANNRIVAAELNIDGSPAETHGEIGNSSDHGNSGDDVEDAVLARLGDQTTEEDK

3'5' Frame 2

MRRAPKTGLASRSRIP-KIASESGE**MRLPPSQRPQAIG-RIQR**KVVSEPIVKALPTSLPRALA-**RRASQ**TRTKTT-**KRAAQ**PKAK-**PHL-E**ERTRAPTRPVTIITSTKTTKSTVGQGM**AAVNNRSMRRRGVVMNQST-RT-KIS**RLIPTTGSRLRNST**MGVQPRLEPMEK-AIAATMVA**AVM-WKTRCWRGLVIPRPRKT

3'5' Frame 3

-**GEHQRQA-RAGR**GYRRR-**PRSQER-G**CHPHRDPRR-**GKESR**GRW-**ASHR--R**PCQHRCREWRDGEPPREQRQRREQRSRRRSNPTCKKNGREHQRDQ-**QS-LH**QPRRRRAQWAKAWRQSTTDP-**GGE**---**TSRRS**GRRRFHG-**YREQQ**DRCGGTQHRWESSRG-**NPWRN**RQ-**QRPW-WQR-CS**GRRGAGEAW-**Y**PDRGRQ

Screenshot 5: ExPASy translation tool output showing predicted protein sequence for each frame with potential ORFs highlighted in pink

Encouragingly, the frame with the longest ORF is also the frame which was aligned in the Blast search. The sequence in this frame (frame 1) is below, with the first methionine in bold.

> Aureobasidium melanogenum strain P16's chromosome 6 (frame 1)
FVFLGLGITKPRQHRVFHYITAAIT**M**VAAIAYFSMGSNLGWTPIDVEFRNDPVVRGINREIFYVRYVDWFITTPLL
LMDLLTAAMPWPTVLFVVLVDEVMIVTGLVGALVRSSYKWGYFAFGCAALFYVVFVLVWEARRHANALGSDVGKAF
TICGSLTTFLWILYPIAWGLCEGGNLISPDSEAIIFYGILDLLAKPVFGALLI

Considering that the match to the query sequence starts from it's 41st codon, it is possible that the potential novel protein is encoded from a position earlier in the chromosome sequence than the start of the alignment. Lack of alignment in this region may be due to a lower conservation in that area. To test for this the sequence was expanded by 201 nucleotides in both directions (to keep the frame). The expanded sequence is shown below.

> Aureobasidium melanogenum strain P16's chromosome 6 hit expanded
TCAAGATGGACTACCTCTCCAAGAGAAACGATGCCCTCAACGTCAATGGTAAGTGCATCTCTAACCACCATCGTGAT
CATGGGCAGCGCGCTGACCAGACTTGCAGGCAACACTGTCAACGGCAAGACCGTCGACATTGCCATCACCGTTCGCG
GTTCTGACTGGTACTGGACCGTCTGCGCTGTCATGACTACCTGCACCTTTGTCTTCCTCGGTCTGGGTATCACCAAG
CCTCGCCAGCACCGCGTCTTCCACTACATCACCGCTGCCATTACCATGGTCGCTGCTATTGCCTATTTCTCCATGGG
TTCTAACCTCGGCTGGACTCCCATCGATGTTGAGTTCCGCCGCAACGATCCTGTTGTTTCGCGGTATCAACCGTGAAA
TCTTCTACGTCCGCTACGTCGACTGGTTCATCACTACTCCTCTCCTCCTCATGGATCTGTTGTTGACTGCCGCCATG
CCTTGGCCCACTGTGCTCTTCGTCGTCTTGTTGATGAAGTTATGATTGTCACTGGTCTCGTTGGTGCTCTCGTCCG
TTCTTCTTACAAGTGGGGTTACTTCGCCTTCGGCTGCGCTGCTCTTCTACGTTGTCTTTGTTCTCGTCTGGGAGG
CTCGCCGTCACGCCAACGCTCTCGGCAGCGATGTTGGCAAGGCCTTCACTATCTGTGGCTCGCTCACCACCTTCCTC
TGGATTCTTTACCCTATCGCCTGGGGTCTCTGTGAGGGTGGCAACCTCATCTCTCCTGACTCCGAGGCTATCTTCTA
CGGTATCCTCGACCTGCTCGCTAAGCCTGTCTTTGGTGCTCTCCTCATCTGGGGTCACCGTGGCATTGACCCTGCTC
GTCTCGGCCTTTACATCCACGACTACAACGAGAAGGATCCCGCTGTTAAGGACAAGGTCGGCGCTCCTGGCCCCAAC
GTCCACCCTAACACCAACAACGCCAACAACGCCGCTGCCACCAACGATTCGACTCCCGAGACTGTCTAAATCTGCAG
TGCATGATATTCAGCACTT

Translation of this expanded sequence (performed as before), to observe whether the ORF could begin earlier is encouraging, as the same frame (1) has the longest complete ORF.

5'3' Frame 1

SRWTTSPRET**MPSTSM**VSASLTTIV**IM**GSALTRLAGNTVNGKTVDIAITVRGSDWYWTVC**AVMTTCTFVFLGLGITKPRQHRVFHYITAAITM**VAAIAYFS**MG**SNLGTWTPIDVEFRNDP
VVRGINREIFYVRYVDWFITTP**LLMD**LLLTAA**MPWPTVLFVVLVDEV****MI**VTGLVGLVRSSYKWGYFAFGCAALFYVVFVLVWEARRHANALGSDVGKAFITCGSLTTFLWILYPIAWG
LCEGNNLISPDS**E**AIIFYGILDLLAKPVFGALLIWGHRGIDPARLGLYIHDYNEKDPVKDKVGAPGNVHPNTNNANNAATNDSTPETV**-ICSA-Y**SAL

5'3' Frame 2

QDGLPLQEKRC**PQRQW-VHL-PFS-SWAAR-PDLQATLSTARPSTLPSPFAVL**GTG**PSALS-L**PAPLSSSVVWSPSLASTASSTSP**LPLPWSLLLPISPWVLT**SAGLPS**MLSSA**ATIL
LFAVSTVKSS**T**SATSTGSSLLSSSWIC**C-L**PPCLG**P**LCSSSSW**LMKL-L**SLVSLVLSSVLLTSGVTS**PSAALLS**STLSLFSSGRLAVTPTLSA**MLAR**PSLSVARSPSSGFFTLSPGV
SVRVATSSLLTPRLSSVSTCSLSLSVLSSSGVTALTLLVSAFTSTTTTRRIP**LLRTR**SALLAPTSTLTPTTPTT**PLPPTIRLPRLSKSAV**HDIQH

5'3' Frame 3

KMDYLSKRNDALNVNGKCISNNHHRDHG**Q**RAD**QTCRQHCQRQDRRHCHHRSR**F-LVLDRLCHDYHLCLPRSGYHQASAPAPRLPLHHRCHYHGRCYCLFLHGF-PRLDSHRC-VPPQRSC
CSRYQP-NLLRPLRLVHHYSSPPHGSVVD**CRHALAH**ALRRLG--SYDCHWSRWCSRPFFLQVGLLRRLRCLCSLLRCLCSRLGGSPSRQSRQRCWQGLHYLWLAHHLPLDSL**PYRLGS**
L-GWQPHLS-LRGYLLRYPRPAR-AC**LCWCS**PHLGSPWH-PCSSRPLHPRLQREGSRC-GQGRRSWPQRPP-HQQRQRRCHQRFDSRDCLNLQ**CMIFST**

3'5' Frame 1

K**C-I**STADLDSLGSRIVGGSGVGVGVVRVDVGARSADLVNLNGILLVVVDVKAETS**R**VNATVTPDEESTKDRLSEQVEDTVEDSLGVRRDEVATLTETPGDRVKNPEEGGERATDSE
GLANIAAESVGVGTASLPDENKDNVESSAAEGEVTPLVRRTDESTNETSDNHNFINQDDEEHSGPRHGSQQQIHEEERSDEPVDVADVEDFTVDTANNRIVAAELNIDGSPAEV**RTHG**
EIGNSSDHNGSGDVVEDAVLARLGD**TQTEED**KGAGSHDSADGPVPVRTANGDGNVDGLAVDSVACKSGQRAAHHDGG-RCTYH-R-GHRFSWRGSPS-

3'5' Frame 2

SAEYHALQI-TVSGVESLVAAALLALLVLGWTLGPGAP**TLSL**TAGSFSL-S**WM-R**PRRAGS**MFR-PQ**MRRAPKTGLASRSRIP-KIAS**ESGE**MR**LPPSQRPQAIG-RI**QRKVSE**PQIVK**
ALPTSLPRALA-RRASQTRTKTT-KRAAQPKAK-PHL-EERTRAPTRPV**TIITSSTKTTKSTVGQ**MAAVNNRSMRRRGVVMNQST-RT-KISRLIPRTTGS**LRRNSTS**MGVQPRLE**PME**
K-AIAT**VMMAAVM-W**KTRCWRGLVIPRPRKTKVQVV**MTAQTVQYQSEPR**TV**MAM**STVLPLTVLPASLV**SALFMITM**VVRDALTIDVEGIVSLGEVVHL

3'5' Frame 3

VLNI**MHC**RFQ**SRES**NRW**QRR**CRWC**C-G**GRWGQERRPCP-QRDPSCSRGCKGRDEQGGQCHGDPR-GEHQ**RQA-R**AGRGYRRR-PR**SQER-G**CHPHRDPRR-GKESRGW-ASHR--R
PCQHR**CRERWRDGEPPRR**EQRRREQR**RRRS**NP**TCKKNGREH**QDQ-QS-LHQPRRRRAQWAKAWRQSTTDP-GEE---TSRRSGRRRFHG-YREQQDRCGGTQHRWESSRG-NPWR
NRQ-QRPW-WQR-CSGRRGAGEAW-YPDRGRQRCR-S-QRRRSSTSQNRER-WQRRSCR-QCCLQVWSARCP-SRWWM**EMH**LPLTLRAS**FLLER-SIL**

Screenshot 6: ExPASy translation tool output showing predicted protein sequence for each frame with potential ORFs highlighted in pink

The sequence for this longer (frame 1) ORF is shown below.

> Aureobasidium melanogenum strain P16's chromosome 6 hit expanded (longer predicted ORF)

MPSTSMVSASLTTIV**IM**GSALTRLAGNTVNGKTVDIAITVRGSDWYWTVC**AVMTTCTFVFLGLGITKPRQHRVFHYITAAITM**VAAIAYFS**MG**SNLGTWTPIDVEFRNDP**VVRGINREIFYVRYVDWFITTP**LL**MD**LLLTAA**MPWPTVLFVVLVDEV****MI**VTGLVGLVRSSYKWGYFAFGCAALFYVVFVLVWEARRHANALGSDVGKAFITCGSLTTFLWILYPIAWGLCEGNNLISPDS**E**AIIFYGILDLLAKPVFGALLIWGHRGIDPARLGLYIHDYNEKDPVKDKVGAPGNVHPNTNNANNAATNDSTPETV

This may represent the entire protein, with the ends simply not aligning with query search. However, this remains speculative without mRNA-seq data. Nevertheless, I will consider both possible ORFs, from now on referred to as the longer and shorter predicted ORFs.

Question 4

Searching with the full sequence of the hit found in the initial tblastn search reveals no 100% percent identity hits in the blastp database (see image below).

Job Title	Protein Sequence
RID	YPCUN0D101R Search expires on 01-23 05:27 am Download All ▼
Program	BLASTP ? Citation ▼
Database	nr See details ▼
Query ID	lcl Query_365795
Description	None
Molecule type	amino acid
Query Length	206
Other reports	Distance tree of results Multiple alignment MSA viewer ?

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Query Coverage to

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Descriptions	Graphic Summary	Alignments	Taxonomy
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Sequences producing significant alignments									
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<input type="checkbox"/> select all 0 sequences selected									
GenPept Graphics Distance tree of results Multiple alignment New MSA Viewer									
	Description	Scientific Name	Max Score	Total Score	Query Cover	E value	Per. Ident	Acc. Len	Accession
<input type="checkbox"/>	family A G protein-coupled receptor-like protein [Aureobasidium melanogenum]	Aureobasidium melanogenum	402	402	100%	3e-140	96.12%	252	KAH0020263.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	family A G protein-coupled receptor-like protein [Aureobasidium melanogenum]	Aureobasidium melanogenum	400	400	100%	2e-139	96.12%	278	KAG9889598.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	family A G protein-coupled receptor-like protein [Aureobasidium melanogenum]	Aureobasidium melanogenum	400	400	100%	3e-139	96.12%	275	KAH0128214.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	family A G protein-coupled receptor-like protein [Aureobasidium melanogenum]	Aureobasidium melanogenum	401	401	100%	4e-139	96.12%	306	KAG9835745.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	family A G protein-coupled receptor-like protein [Aureobasidium melanogenum]	Aureobasidium melanogenum	399	399	100%	6e-139	96.12%	267	KAH0067165.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	family A G protein-coupled receptor-like protein [Aureobasidium melanogenum]	Aureobasidium melanogenum	395	395	99%	8e-138	96.08%	242	KAG9972128.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	family A G protein-coupled receptor-like protein [Aureobasidium melanogenum]	Aureobasidium melanogenum	385	385	100%	1e-132	95.63%	311	KAG9953657.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	family A G protein-coupled receptor-like protein [Aureobasidium melanogenum]	Aureobasidium melanogenum	384	384	100%	2e-132	95.63%	309	KAH0373174.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	unnamed protein product [Aureobasidium mustum]	Aureobasidium mustum	384	384	100%	6e-132	95.63%	329	CAD0099296.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	family A G protein-coupled receptor-like protein [Aureobasidium melanogenum]	Aureobasidium melanogenum	384	384	100%	1e-132	95.15%	280	KAG9540327.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	family A G protein-coupled receptor-like protein [Aureobasidium melanogenum]	Aureobasidium melanogenum	384	384	100%	1e-132	95.15%	306	KAG9965553.1

Screenshot 7: Search results for blastp of the Gene X sequence

The top hit by E-value is a family A G protein-coupled receptor-like protein, also from *Aureobasidium melanogenum*, with 96% identity and an e value of 3e-140.

family A G protein-coupled receptor-like protein, partial [Aureobasidium melanogenum]

Sequence ID: [KAH0020263.1](#) Length: 252 Number of Matches: 1

Range 1: 47 to 252 [GenPept](#) [Graphics](#)

▼ [Next Match](#) ▲ [Previous Match](#)

Score	Expect	Method	Identities	Positives	Gaps
402 bits(1032)	3e-140	Compositional matrix adjust.	198/206(96%)	203/206(98%)	0/206(0%)
Query 1	FVFLGLGITKPRQHRVFHYITAAITMVAAIAYFSMGSNLGWTPIDVEFRRNDPVVRGINR				60
Sbjct 47	FVFLGLGITKPRQHRVFHYITAAITMVAAIAYFSM SNLGWTPIDVEF RNDPVVRGINR				106
Query 61	EIFYVRYVDWFITTPLLMDLLLTAAMPWPTVLFFVVLVDEVMIVTGLVGALVRSSYKMGY				120
Sbjct 107	EIFYVRY+DWFITTPLLMDLLLTAAMPWPT+LFVVLVDEVMIVTGLVGALVRSSYKMGY				166
Query 121	FAFGCAALFYVVFVLVWEARRHANALGSDVGKAFITCGSLTTFWLWILYPIAWGLCEGGNL				180
Sbjct 167	FAFGCAALFYVV+VLVWEARRHANALGSDVGKAFITCGSLTTFWLWILYP+AWGLCEGGN+				226
Query 181	ISPDSEAIIFYGILDLLAKPVFGALLI		206		
Sbjct 227	ISPDSEAIIFYGILD LFAKPVFGALLI		252		

Screenshot 8: Alignment of the top hit to Gene X

Note that both the top hits and bacteriorhodopsin are Class A G protein-coupled receptors (see below information from PDB on the original protein I began this search with), which is encouraging.

Chains	Domain Info	Class	Fold	Superfamily	Family	Domain	Species	Provenance Source (Version)
A	d1fbba_	Membrane and cell surface proteins and peptides	Class A G protein-coupled receptor (GPCR)-like	Class A G protein-coupled receptor (GPCR)-like	Bacteriorhodopsin-like	Bacteriorhodopsin	(Halobacterium salinarum) [TaxId: 2242]	SCOPe (2.08)

Screenshot 9: Information about the *Halobacterium salinarum* bacteriorhodopsin from PDB

A Blast search for the longer potential Gene X ORF did not reveal any 100% percentage identity hits.

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Query ID lcl|Query_217787

Description None

Molecule type amino acid

Query Length 320

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	Description	Scientific Name	Max Score	Total Score	Query Cover	E value	Per. Ident	Acc. Len	Accession
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	family A G protein-coupled receptor-like protein [Aureobasidium melanogenum]	Aureobasidium melanogenum	552	552	92%	0.0	94.24%	306	KAG9835745.1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	family A G protein-coupled receptor-like protein [Aureobasidium melanogenum]	Aureobasidium melanogenum	550	550	92%	0.0	93.22%	306	KAG9965553.1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	family A G protein-coupled receptor-like protein [Aureobasidium melanogenum]	Aureobasidium melanogenum	548	548	92%	0.0	93.56%	306	KAG9840826.1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	family A G protein-coupled receptor-like protein [Aureobasidium melanogenum]	Aureobasidium melanogenum	547	547	92%	0.0	93.56%	292	KAG9660499.1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	unnamed protein product [Aureobasidium mustum]	Aureobasidium mustum	545	545	92%	0.0	95.93%	329	CAD0099296.1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	family A G protein-coupled receptor-like protein [Aureobasidium melanogenum]	Aureobasidium melanogenum	543	543	92%	0.0	92.20%	306	KAG9633810.1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	family A G protein-coupled receptor-like protein [Aureobasidium melanogenum]	Aureobasidium melanogenum	541	541	92%	0.0	90.85%	306	KAG9531516.1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	family A G protein-coupled receptor-like protein [Aureobasidium melanogenum]	Aureobasidium melanogenum	538	538	92%	0.0	93.90%	309	KAH0373174.1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	family A G protein-coupled receptor-like protein [Aureobasidium melanogenum]	Aureobasidium melanogenum	536	536	86%	0.0	96.38%	311	KAG9953657.1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	family A G protein-coupled receptor-like protein [Aureobasidium melanogenum]	Aureobasidium melanogenum	534	534	83%	0.0	96.63%	267	KAH0067165.1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	family A G protein-coupled receptor-like protein [Aureobasidium melanogenum]	Aureobasidium melanogenum	532	532	91%	0.0	93.90%	295	KAG9660533.1

Screenshot 10: blastp results using the longer predicted ORF

Percentage identity is decreased in this test, with no 100% alignments. However, query coverage drops as well, suggesting that this expanded ORF may be erroneous. In either case, the sequence I have found appears to be that of a novel protein with homology to bacteriorhodopsin and family A G protein-coupled receptor-like proteins.

Question 5:

Without further information, it seems appropriate to continue investigating both the shorter and longer predicted potential ORFs for *gene X*, below are the sequences I will align these too. The sequences have been renamed for convenience in the following format *genus.species - accession-number protein-name*.

>Halobacterium.salinarum - WP_136361479.1 bacteriorhodopsin
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STAAMLYILYVLFFGFSTKAESMRPEVASTFKVLRNVTTVLWSAYPVVWLIGSEGAGIVPLNIETLLFMVLDVSAKV
GFGILLRSRAIFGEAEAPEPSAGDGAAATSD

>Aureobasidium.melanogenum CBS 110374 - XP_040878626.1 bacteriorhodopsin
MSWLEKRNDAIQVNPNTQNNKHVDIAITVRGSDFYFAICAVMGFVALGTIAASAMKPRTDRIFFYITAAINLTACIA
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EAVFYGVLDLFLAKPCFSIALIAGHWNINPGRMGLKLRDYDEEPAYFGPKNGAEAAKERGRTDNAVDGVA

>Aureobasidium.pullulans EXF-150 - KEQ89910.1 bacteriorhodopsin
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>Thermus.thermophilus - WP_165739012.1 bacteriorhodopsin
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AKPVYGLLI FAIARAKSLEEGFGGEGVCAA

>Cyclobacterium.plantarum - WP_166144155.1 bacteriorhodopsin
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VYEVFAGDVAKLSQSSDSPALKKAMFLLKIFITLGWSIYPIGYMVLPGNLLSGLFEVSSIDL FYNLADAINKIGFGL
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>Ningiiella.ruwaisensis - WP_168710959.1 bacteriorhodopsin
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GNEYTVREGADLFTNGYRYLNWLIDVPMLLIQILWVAQITGSQRTSYMFKFSFSGCLMILTGYIGQFYEPGRINEDV
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>Halorubrum.sodomense - WP_211553476.1 bacteriorhodopsin
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>Ktedonobacter.robiniae - WP_201374874.1 bacteriorhodopsin
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TAPINSVAAQW

>Bacillus.coahuilensis - WP_059282687.1 bacteriorhodopsin
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>Alkalihalobacillus.hwajinpoensis - WP_169525176.1 bacteriorhodopsin
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>Alteribacter.aurantiacus - WP_169720904.1 bacteriorhodopsin
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>Halogramum.amylolyticum - WP_089823426.1 bacteriorhodopsin
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>Salinigranum.salinum - WP_152039473.1 bacteriorhodopsin
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LGSLSEQASRQAGEVGALFSRLRNLIIVLWSAYPVVWILGTEGGFAIIPLGVETAAFMVLDLSAKVGFGFILLQSRD
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>Haloplanus.rallus - WP_157687740.1 bacteriorhodopsin
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>Natronomonas.gomsonensis - WP_178916035.1 bacteriorhodopsin
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>Halorubrum.trapanicum - WP_209546814.1 bacteriorhodopsin
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>Halomicroarcula.salinisoli - WP_220588862.1 bacteriorhodopsin
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HSVLDGAAQSQTTGASPADD

>Haloarcula.mannanilytica - WP_137682956.1 bacteriorhodopsin
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FLFSSLSGRVADLPSDTRSTFKTLRNLVTVVWLVPVWWLVGTEGLGLVGIGIETAGFMVIDLTAKVGF GFIILLRSH
GVLDGAAETTSTGATPADD

A multiple alignment for the shorter predicted ORF is below. The alignment was created using MUSCLE from EMBL-EBI with default parameters.

Results for job muscle-I20220204-171706-0870-8182256-p2m

Alignments	Result Summary	Phylogenetic Tree	Results Viewers	Submission Details
Program	Number of Sequences		Launched Date	Input Sequences
MUSCLE	21		Fri, Feb 04, 2022 at 17:17:07	muscle-I20220204-171706-0870-8182256-p2m.input
Version			End Date	Output Result
3.8.425			Fri, Feb 04, 2022 at 17:17:08	muscle-I20220204-171706-0870-8182256-p2m.output

Command

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$APPBIN/muscle:3.8.425 /muscle -in muscle-I20220204-171706-0870-8182256-p2m.upfile -verbose -log muscle-I20220204-171706-0870-8182256-p2m.output -quiet -clw -out muscle-I20220204-171706-0870-8182256-p2m.clw
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Input Parameters

Alignment format
clw

Output Tree
none

Screenshot 11: MUSCLE parameters for the shorter predicted Gene X ORF

Percent Identity Matrix - created by Clustal2.1

1: Ningiella.ruwaisensis	100.00	19.23	25.70	19.65	15.49	18.18	21.23	13.89	12.79	19.21	20.16	21.49	23.14	23.14	20.68	22.18	20.68	21.01	21.63	22.31	20.75
2: Cyclobacterium.plantarum	19.23	100.00	25.33	19.20	17.81	17.59	26.09	19.75	18.91	20.98	21.78	24.44	24.44	23.56	23.56	23.25	23.89	24.67	26.36	24.47	22.78
3: Thermus.thermophilus	25.70	25.33	100.00	22.71	21.88	22.94	25.99	18.62	19.03	22.71	23.21	24.15	23.73	22.88	27.23	27.43	25.11	25.96	25.94	25.32	24.58
4: Alteribacter.aurantiacus	19.65	19.20	22.71	100.00	51.53	52.21	27.98	25.86	23.71	30.08	30.00	30.00	32.61	31.30	33.19	32.76	33.62	32.89	30.47	33.91	32.19
5: Bacillus.coahuilensis	15.49	17.81	21.88	51.53	100.00	58.30	30.95	24.55	24.55	30.70	31.11	31.11	33.78	31.56	31.25	32.44	33.33	32.89	30.22	32.44	32.44
6: Alkalihalobacillus.hwajinpoensis	18.18	17.59	22.94	52.21	58.30	100.00	28.14	21.72	19.46	27.88	27.85	29.68	31.05	30.59	30.28	29.41	34.25	32.42	26.58	31.53	29.28
7: GeneX	21.23	26.09	25.99	27.98	30.95	28.14	100.00	64.09	64.09	36.90	30.64	31.98	31.98	31.98	34.88	36.42	33.72	33.72	33.72	36.42	36.63
8: Aureobasidium.melanogenum	13.89	19.75	18.62	25.86	24.55	21.72	64.09	100.00	89.67	28.39	24.69	26.03	27.46	27.27	29.17	28.51	28.57	28.15	26.05	28.79	29.30
9: Aureobasidium.pullulans	12.70	18.91	19.03	23.71	24.55	19.46	64.09	89.67	100.00	25.85	23.87	25.21	26.64	26.45	27.50	28.10	27.31	27.31	25.29	27.63	28.91
10: Ktedonobacter.robiniae	19.21	20.98	22.71	30.08	30.70	27.88	36.90	28.39	25.85	100.00	33.05	32.19	36.32	36.05	41.13	38.36	39.74	39.47	33.76	35.44	35.02
11: Halomicroarcula.salinisoli	20.16	21.78	23.21	30.00	31.11	27.85	30.64	24.69	23.87	33.05	100.00	87.60	67.20	69.20	60.00	55.14	55.83	54.81	48.77	47.35	49.59
12: Haloarcula.mannanilytica	21.49	24.44	24.15	30.00	31.11	29.68	31.98	26.03	25.21	32.19	87.60	100.00	69.20	70.40	59.26	54.55	56.25	55.65	50.82	47.95	50.00
13: Haloplanus.rallus	23.14	24.44	23.73	32.61	33.78	31.05	31.98	27.46	26.64	36.32	67.20	69.20	100.00	86.00	59.26	60.74	61.67	59.41	47.97	49.59	51.63
14: Natronomonas.gomsonensis	23.14	23.56	22.88	31.30	31.56	30.59	31.98	27.27	26.45	36.05	69.20	70.40	86.00	100.00	60.49	59.92	60.00	60.67	47.95	49.18	53.69
15: Salinigranum.halophilum	20.68	23.56	27.23	33.19	31.25	30.28	34.88	29.17	27.50	41.13	60.08	59.26	59.26	60.49	100.00	67.77	67.50	66.95	52.48	55.37	54.96
16: Salinigranum.salinum	22.18	23.25	27.43	32.76	32.44	29.41	36.42	28.51	28.10	38.36	55.14	54.55	60.74	59.92	67.77	100.00	68.88	70.42	53.09	54.10	55.56
17: Halogranum.amylolyticum	20.68	23.89	25.11	33.62	33.33	34.25	33.72	28.57	27.31	39.74	55.83	56.25	61.67	60.00	67.50	68.88	100.00	77.50	52.50	56.67	56.25
18: Natrinema.pallidum	21.01	24.67	25.96	32.89	32.89	32.42	33.72	28.15	27.31	39.47	54.81	55.65	59.41	60.67	66.95	70.42	77.50	100.00	52.08	51.88	51.46
19: Halobacterium.salarum	21.63	26.36	25.94	30.47	30.22	26.58	33.72	26.05	25.29	33.76	48.77	50.82	47.97	47.95	52.48	53.09	52.50	52.08	100.00	56.59	56.98
20: Halorubrum.sodomense	22.31	24.47	25.32	33.91	32.44	31.53	36.42	28.79	27.63	35.44	47.35	47.95	49.59	49.18	55.37	54.10	56.67	51.88	56.59	100.00	89.15
21: Halorubrum.trapanicum	20.75	22.78	24.58	32.19	32.44	29.28	36.63	29.30	28.91	35.02	49.59	50.00	51.63	53.69	54.96	55.56	56.25	51.46	56.98	89.15	100.00

Screenshot 12: Percent Identity Matrix provided with MUSCLE output

CLUSTAL multiple sequence alignment by MUSCLE (3.8)

Ningiella.ruwaisensis	-----MENAMSSISVEGFE-----IVNHILTLGYATMAAALL-----FFILTRKDS
Cyclobacterium.plantarum	-----MYFVLLAEIIGLDRIINSDPVAITFFIGYMAMFASAV-----FFFAERASV
Thermus.thermophilus	-----MRMLPELS-----FGEYWLVFNMLSLTIAGMFAAFVFFLLARSYV
Alteribacter.aurantiacus	-----MYEIEQQLLWIYVAFMGGGAVY----FAYLAFHRK
Bacillus.coahuilensis	-----MISILHYGYSFIMLLGALY----FYLLSKDPK
Alkalihalobacillus.hwajinpoensis	-----MNSFEIFLYYFYFVVMISAAIY----FFILSRKPK
GeneX	-----
Aureobasidium.melanogenum	MSWLEKRNDAIQVNPNTQNNKHVDIAITVRGSDFYFAICAVMGFVAL----GTIAASAMK
Aureobasidium.pullulans	MSWLEKRNDAIQVNPNTQNNKHVDIAITVRGSDFYFAICAVMGFVAL----GVMAASAMK
Ktedonobacter.robiniiae	-----MDSATVTVLWVTSLIMILCTLV----FTYRSFRAR
Halomicroarcula.salinisoli	-----MPQPG-----SEIWLWLGTAGMFLGMLY----FIGRGWGET
Haloarcula.mannanilytica	-----MPEPG-----SEAIWLWLGTAGMFLGMLY----FIGRGWGET
Haloplanus.rallus	-----MTQPG-----SESLWLWLGTAGMLIGMLY----FIARGWGEK
Natronomonas.gomsonensis	-----MADPG-----SEALWLWIGTAGMFLGMLY----FIARGWGEE
Salinigranum.halophilum	-----MATPG-----AESIWLWLGTAGMTLGTIFY----FIARGWGEV
Salinigranum.salinum	-----MATPG-----AGLESISLWIGTIGMTLGTLY----FVAQGWSVR
Halogranum.amylolyticum	-----MVTVG-----AESLWLWIGTLGMTIGTLY----FVGRGRGVT
Natrinema.pallidum	-----MAATVG-----PESIWLWIGTIGMTLGTLY----FVGRGRGVR
Halobacterium.salinorum	-----MTPSLLPTAVEGVSQAQITGRPEWIWLALGTALMGLGTLY----FLVKMGVS
Halorubrum.sodomense	-----MDPIALQAGYDLLGDGRPETLWLIGITLMLLIGTFY----FIVKGWGV
Halorubrum.trapanicum	-----MDPIALTAGYDLLGDGRPETLWLIGITLMLLIGTFY----FIARGWGV
Ningiella.ruwaisensis	LPKYQMSSILSVVMVSALLLLYTQKI----SWTEAYAFDNEYTVREGADLFTNGYRY
Cyclobacterium.plantarum	DGKWKTSLLVSGLITGIAAIHYMYRDFYLQTGSSPTAF-----RY
Thermus.thermophilus	APRYHIALYLSALIVFIAGYHYLRIFE----SWVGAYQLQGGVYVPTGKPFNDFY--RY
Alteribacter.aurantiacus	GVPRAE-YLVAFIIPWWSGVAYASIALGQ--GLVEWG-----DRVIYFARY
Bacillus.coahuilensis	GVPASE-YLIAMVIPLWSGAAYLSIALGQ--GLFQYD-----DTTIYARY
Alkalihalobacillus.hwajinpoensis	GVPLYE-YVVMAMITAWSGVAYLSIALGQ--GFIERP-----EKTIFYARY
GeneX	-----MVAAIAYFSMGSNL---GWTPIDVEFRNDPVRGINREIFYVRY
Aureobasidium.melanogenum	PRTDRIFFYITAAINLTACIAYFTMGSNL---GWTPIDVEFPRTWSKVAGVNREIFYARY
Aureobasidium.pullulans	PRTDRIFFYITAAINTTACIAYFAMGSNL---GWTPIDVEWQRTWSQVAGVNREIFYVRY
Ktedonobacter.robiniiae	-IEIKHFYYLTALITLIAATLYMTMASGY--GGIGLN-----GKVILFGRY
Halomicroarcula.salinisoli	DDRRQKFYIATILITAIASFVNYLAMALGF--GLTIEEL-----PNDPEAPIYARY
Haloarcula.mannanilytica	DSRRQKFYIATILITAIASFVNYLAMALGF--GLTIEEF-----GGSEHPIYARY
Haloplanus.rallus	NRRRQEFYIVTIFITAIASFVNYLSMALGF--GLTTIEI-----GGEELPIYARY
Natronomonas.gomsonensis	NRRRQEFYIVTIFITAIASFVNYLMALGF--GLTTVTV-----AGEELPIYARY
Salinigranum.halophilum	DEEQQRFYIITIFITAIASAYFAMATGF--GLTQVTV-----NGQVLDIYWGRY
Salinigranum.salinum	DPDQQEYIITIFIPAIASAYFAMASGF--GLVEVPV-----EGLGLTDIYARY
Halogranum.amylolyticum	DKKMQEFYIITIFITIAAAMYLLMATGF--GLTQVQV-----GNRTLDIYARY
Natrinema.pallidum	DRKMQEFYIITIFITIAAAMYFAMATGF--GVTEVMV-----GDEALTIYARY
Halobacterium.salinorum	DPDAKKFYAITTLVPAIAFTMYLSMLLGY--GLTMVPF-----GGEQNPIYARY
Halorubrum.sodomense	DKEAREYYAITILVPGIASAAYLSMFFGI--GLTEVEL-----VGGEVLDIYARY
Halorubrum.trapanicum	DKEAREYYAITILVPGIASAAYLSMFFGI--GLTEVQV-----GGEMLDIYARY
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 Natrinema.pallidum
 Halobacterium.salinarum
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 -KYIWYSLGVIALFIILLITWIPLKRIAD--RHEQLSKHYKRVALYLTIFWLLYPTAWI
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 -RFVWWAISTAAMLYILYVLF FGFTSKAE--SMRPEVASTFKVLRNVTVWL SAYPVVWL
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Ningiella.ruwaisensis	APYFMT--MGYS-YETTIVSQVIYTIADISSKVYGVML-----TVTATML
Cyclobacterium.plantarum	---VLP--GNLLSGLFEVSSIDLFFYNLADAINKIGFGLV-----IYSVAIK
Thermus.thermophilus	---LGTWLPG---GAAQEVVQLGYSLADLIAPVYGLLI-----FAIARAK
Alteribacter.aurantiacus	---LGP--SG-L-GVISQITDQALFVSLPIFSKVGFSILD-----LSCLRWL
Bacillus.coahuilensis	---LGP--SG-L-GLAQELTEVLVFIILPIFSKVGFSIVD-----LHGLRKL
Alkalihalobacillus.hwajinpoensis	---LGA--SG-I-GMTQGIIDTLAFVILPIFSKIGFGLLD-----LHGLRKL
GeneX	---LCE--GG---NLISPDSEAFYGIIDLLAKPVFGALL-----I-----
Aureobasidium.melanogenum	---VSE--GG---NVIPPDSEAFYGVLDLAKPCFSIALIAGHWNINPGRMGLKLRDYG
Aureobasidium.pullulans	---VSE--GA---NVIPPDSEAFYGVLDLAKPVFSIALIIGHWNINPGRMGLKLRDYG
Ktedonobacter.robiniae	---LGT--EG-F-GIISLLPEVILYAILDVLAKGAFGFVL-----LSKPGVL
Halomicroarcula.salinisoli	---IGT--EG-L-ALVGIFTETAGFMVIDLVAKVGFGLIL-----LRSHSVL
Haloarcula.mannanilytica	---VGT--EG-L-GLVGIGIETAGFMVIDLTAKVGFGLIL-----LRSHGVL
Haloplanus.rallus	---LGT--EG-L-GVISLYSETAGFMVLDLVAKVGFGLIL-----LSSRDVL
Natronomonas.gomsonensis	---LGT--EG-L-GTIGLYSETAGFMVLDLVAKVGFGLIL-----LSSREVL
Salinigranum.halophilum	---LGT--EGTI-GIIPLYWETAAFMVLDTAKVGFGFVL-----LRSHSVL
Salinigranum.salinum	---LGT--EGGF-AIIPLVETAAFMVLDSLAKVGFGLIL-----LQSRDVL
Halogranum.amylolyticum	---LGT--EGTI-GILPLYWETAAFMVLDSLAKVGFGLIL-----LRSRAVL
Natrinema.pallidum	---LGT--EGTF-GILPLYWETAAFMVLDSLAKVGFGLIL-----LQSRSVL
Halobacterium.salinarum	---IGS--EG-A-GIVPLNIETLLFMVLDVSAKVGFGLIL-----LRSRAIF
Halorubrum.sodomense	---VGT--EG-A-GVVGLGIETLAFMILDVTAKEVGFGLIL-----LRSRAIL
Halorubrum.trapanicum	---IGT--EG-A-GVVGLGIETLLFMVLDVTAKEVGFGLIL-----LRSRAIL
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Ningiella.ruwaisensis	SKQEGMAESQA-----
Cyclobacterium.plantarum	ESKKTTAQVA-----
Thermus.thermophilus	SLEEGFGGEGVCAA-----
Alteribacter.aurantiacus	HVKHQQEVTPQAT-----
Bacillus.coahuilensis	HQSSYVHN-----
Alkalihalobacillus.hwajinpoensis	KTN-----
GeneX	-----
Aureobasidium.melanogenum	EETPAYFGPKNGAEAAKERGR-TDNAVVGVA
Aureobasidium.pullulans	EDPDYFGPKNGAEAAKERSNGSSSGVDGGA
Ktedonobacter.robiniae	LEAERETAPINSVAAQW-----
Halomicroarcula.salinisoli	DGAAQSQTGTGASPADD-----
Haloarcula.mannanilytica	DGAAETTSTGATPADD-----
Haloplanus.rallus	DAAGDTTGAALGDADPTD-----
Natronomonas.gomsonensis	DAAGDLAGSTAQPADD-----
Salinigranum.halophilum	-EAATQSTTAGATAD-----
Salinigranum.salinum	SAAKSTGASATAD-----
Halogranum.amylolyticum	EKASTPTAAATA-----
Natrinema.pallidum	ERVATPTAAPT-----
Halobacterium.salinarum	GEAEAPEPSAGDGAAATSD-----
Halorubrum.sodomense	GDTEAPEPSAGADAQAAD-----
Halorubrum.trapanicum	GDTGAPEPSAGAEASAAD-----

Screenshot 13: Multiple Sequence Alignment for shorter Gene X ORF provided by MUSCLE

The same process was repeated with exactly the same parameters for the longer predicted ORF.

Results for job muscle-I20220204-172321-0724-70550187-p1m

Alignments	Result Summary	Phylogenetic Tree	Results Viewers	Submission Details
Program	Number of Sequences	Launched Date	Input Sequences	
MUSCLE	21	Fri, Feb 04, 2022 at 17:25:31	muscle-I20220204-172321-0724-70550187-p1m.input	
Version		End Date	Output Result	
3.8.425		Fri, Feb 04, 2022 at 17:25:33	muscle-I20220204-172321-0724-70550187-p1m.output	

Command

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$APPBIN/muscle:3.8.425 /muscle -in muscle-I20220204-172321-0724-70550187-p1m.upfile -verbose -log muscle-I20220204-172321-0724-70550187-p1m.output -quiet -clw -out muscle-I20220204-172321-0724-70550187-p1m.clw
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Input Parameters

Alignment format

clw

Output Tree

none

Screenshot 14: MUSCLE parameters for the longer predicted Gene X ORF

Percent Identity Matrix - created by Clustal2.1

1: Ningiella.ruwaisensis	100.00	20.35	25.94	17.13	16.33	15.54	20.09	15.93	20.00	20.35	22.13	23.08	23.93	22.65	22.17	22.41	21.30	22.41	22.31	21.16
2: Cyclobacterium.plantarum	20.35	100.00	28.76	21.67	22.69	21.01	18.75	17.89	17.67	22.81	22.91	25.55	25.11	25.55	24.12	23.45	23.11	24.55	24.58	23.43
3: Thermus.thermophilus	25.94	28.76	100.00	24.39	19.92	19.92	22.57	23.32	22.58	23.58	23.18	24.57	24.57	24.57	28.02	25.97	24.45	25.44	26.29	25.86
4: GeneX	17.13	21.67	24.39	100.00	55.00	53.82	25.11	27.00	25.91	32.77	28.10	29.05	27.57	27.39	31.00	31.12	30.38	30.80	28.46	30.08
5: Aureobasidium.melanogenum	16.33	22.69	19.92	55.00	100.00	88.33	25.97	25.56	23.18	29.36	26.56	28.33	28.51	28.75	30.54	29.05	27.85	28.27	26.64	27.84
6: Aureobasidium.pullulans	15.54	21.01	19.92	53.82	88.33	100.00	23.81	25.56	21.36	28.09	26.03	27.39	27.57	27.80	28.87	28.22	26.16	27.43	26.15	25.39
7: Alteribacter.aurantiacus	20.09	18.75	22.57	25.11	25.97	23.81	100.00	51.97	52.21	30.47	30.00	30.43	33.48	31.74	31.74	33.33	34.20	32.47	31.17	33.77
8: Bacillus.coahuilensis	15.93	17.89	23.32	27.00	25.56	25.56	51.97	100.00	58.30	30.84	31.25	31.25	33.93	31.70	30.80	32.44	32.89	32.89	30.22	32.44
9: Alkalihalobacillus.hwajinpoensis	20.00	17.67	22.58	25.91	23.18	21.36	52.21	58.30	100.00	27.11	28.05	29.41	30.77	30.32	29.86	28.38	33.78	31.53	26.13	31.08
10: Ktedonobacter.robiniae	20.35	22.81	23.58	32.77	29.36	28.09	30.47	30.84	27.11	100.00	31.91	32.34	36.44	36.60	40.17	39.06	39.22	39.39	34.18	37.02
11: Halomicroarcula.salinisoli	22.13	22.91	23.18	28.10	26.56	26.03	30.00	31.25	28.05	31.91	100.00	87.60	67.60	69.20	60.08	54.96	56.07	55.04	49.59	51.24
12: Haloarcula.mannanilytica	23.08	25.55	24.57	29.05	28.33	27.39	30.43	31.25	29.41	32.34	87.60	100.00	69.60	70.40	59.26	54.36	56.49	55.88	52.05	50.00
13: Haloplanus.rallus	23.93	25.11	24.57	27.57	28.51	27.57	33.48	33.93	30.77	36.44	67.60	69.60	100.00	86.40	59.26	58.92	61.51	59.66	48.37	49.38
14: Natronomonas.gomsonensis	22.65	25.55	24.57	27.39	28.75	27.80	31.74	31.70	30.32	36.60	69.20	70.40	86.40	100.00	60.49	59.34	61.51	62.18	47.95	50.00
15: Salinigranum.halophilum	22.17	24.12	28.02	31.80	30.54	28.87	31.74	30.80	29.86	40.17	60.08	59.26	59.26	60.49	100.00	66.12	67.50	66.95	52.89	55.42
16: Salinigranum.salinum	22.41	23.45	25.97	31.12	29.05	28.22	33.33	32.44	28.38	39.06	54.36	54.36	58.92	59.34	66.12	100.00	68.05	69.29	53.50	54.81
17: Halogranum.amylolyticum	21.30	23.11	24.45	30.38	27.85	26.16	34.20	32.89	33.78	39.22	56.07	56.49	61.51	61.51	67.50	68.05	100.00	77.50	52.92	56.72
18: Natrinema.pallidum	22.61	24.55	25.44	30.80	28.27	27.43	32.47	32.89	31.53	39.39	55.04	55.88	59.66	62.18	66.95	69.29	77.50	100.00	52.50	52.32
19: Halobacterium.salinarum	22.41	24.58	26.29	28.46	26.64	26.15	31.17	30.22	26.13	34.18	49.59	52.05	48.37	47.95	52.89	53.50	52.92	52.50	100.00	57.36
20: Halorubrum.sodomense	22.31	23.43	25.86	30.08	27.84	25.39	33.77	32.44	31.08	37.02	49.17	50.00	49.38	50.00	55.42	54.81	56.72	52.32	57.36	100.00
21: Halorubrum.trapanicum	21.16	21.76	25.86	30.20	28.74	27.06	32.03	32.44	28.83	36.60	51.24	52.07	51.44	54.13	55.00	56.07	56.30	51.90	57.75	89.15

Screenshot 15: Percent Identity Matrix provided with MUSCLE output

CLUSTAL multiple sequence alignment by MUSCLE (3.8)

Ningiella.ruwaisensis	-----MENAMSSISVEG-----FEIV-----NHILTLGYATMA----A
Cyclobacterium.plantarum	-----MYFVLLAEIIGLDRI----INS DPVAI-----TFFIGYMAM----FA
Thermus.thermophilus	-----MRMLPELSFGEYWL VFNMLS LTIAGMFA
GeneX	MPSTSMVSASLTTIVIMGSALTRLAGNTVNGKTV D IAITVRGSDWYWTVCAMVT----TC
Aureobasidium.melanogenum	-----MSWLEKRNDIAIQVNPNTQNNKHVDIAITVRGSDFYFAICAVMG----FV
Aureobasidium.pullulans	-----MSWLEKRNDIAIQVNPNTQNNKHVDIAITVRGSDFYFAICAVMG----FV
Alteribacter.aurantiacus	-----MYEIEQQ-----LLWIYVAFMG-----GG
Bacillus.coahuilensis	-----MISI-----LHYGYSFIML----LG
Alkalihalobacillus.hwajinpoensis	-----MNSFEIF-----LYYFYFVVM I----SA
Ktedonobacter.robiniae	-----MDSATVTV-----LWVTS LIMI----LC
Halomicroarcula.salinisoli	-----MPQPGSEQI-----WLWLG TAGMF----LG
Haloarcula.mannanilytica	-----MPEPGSEAI-----WLWLG TAGMF----LG
Haloplanus.rallus	-----MTQPGSESL-----WLWLG TAGML----IG
Natronomonas.gomsonensis	-----MADPGSEAL-----WLWIG TAGMF----LG
Salinigranum.halophilum	-----MATPGAESI-----WLWLG TAGMT----LG
Salinigranum.salinum	-----MATPGAGLESI-----SLWIGTIGMT----LG
Halogranum.amylolyticum	-----MVTVG AESL-----WLWIGTLGMT----IG
Natrinema.pallidum	-----MAATVGPE SI-----WLWIGTIGMT----LG
Halobacterium.salinarum	-----MTPSLLPTAVEGV SQAQITGRPEWI-----WLALGTALMG----LG
Halorubrum.sodomense	-----MDPIALQAGYDLLG----DGRPETL-----WLGIGTLLML----IG
Halorubrum.trapanicum	-----MDPIALTAGYDLLG----DGRPETL-----WLGIGTLLML----LG

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 Alkalihalobacillus.hwajinpoensis
 Ktedonobacter.robiniae
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 Haloarcula.mannanilytica
 Haloplanus.rallus
 Natronomonas.gomsonensis
 Salinigranum.halophilum
 Salinigranum.salinum
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ALLFFILTRKDSLPHYQMSILSVVMVSALLLYTQK--ISWTEAYAFDNEYTVREGA
 SAVFFFAERASVDGKWKTSLLVSGLITGIAAIHYHYMR-DFYLQ-----TGS
 AFVFFLLARSYVAPRYHIALYLSALIVFIAGYHYLRIF--ESWVGAYQLQGGVYVP-TGK
 TFVFLGLG-ITKPRQHRVPHYITAAITMVAIAYFSMGSNLGWTPIDVEFRNDPVVRGI
 ALGTIAAS-AMKPRTRDRIFFYITAAINTTACIAYFAMGSNLGWTPIDVEFRNTWSKVAGV
 ALGVMAAS-AMKPRTRDRIFFYITAAINTTACIAYFAMGSNLGWTPIDVEFRNTWSKVAGV
 AVYFAYLAFHRKGVPRAE-YLVAFIIPWWSGVAYASIALGQGLV-----EWG
 ALYFYLLSKDPKGVPAE-YLIAMVIPLWSGAAYLSIALGQGLF-----QYD
 AIYFFILSRKPKGVPLYE-YVAMMITAWSGVAYLSIALGQGLF-----ERP
 TLVFTYRSFRAR-IEIKHFYLLTALITLIAATLYMTMASGYGGI-----GLN
 MLYFIGRGWGETDTRRQKFYIATILITAIAFVNYLAMALGFLTIIELP-----NDP
 MLYFIGRGWGETDSRRQKFYIATILITAIAFVNYLAMALGFLTIIIEF-----GGS
 MLYFIARGWGEKNRRRQEFYIVTIFITAIAFVNYLSMALGFLTIIIEI-----GGE
 MLYFIARGWGEENRRRQEFYIVTIFITAIAFVNYLMALGFLTIVTV-----AGE
 TFYFIARGWGEVEEQRFYIITIFITAIASAAFYAMATGFLTQVTV-----NGQ
 TLYFVAQGSVRDPDQGEYIITIFIPAIAAASYFAMASGFLVEVPVE-----GLG
 TLYFVGRGRGVDRKMQEFYIITIFITIAAAMYLLMATGFLTQVQV-----GMR
 TLYFVGRGRGVDRKMQEFYIITIFITIAAAMYFAMATGFGVTEVMV-----GDE
 TLYFLVKMGVSDPAKKFYAITLVPAIAFTMYLSMLLGYGLTMVPF-----GGE
 TFYFIVKGWGVTDKEAREYYAITLVPGIASAAYLSMFFGIGLTEVEL-----VGGE
 TFYFIARGWGVTDKEAREYYAITLVPGIASAAYLSMFFGIGLTEVQV-----GGE

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DLFTNGYRYLNWLDIVPMLLIQILWVAQITG-SQRTSYMFKFSFSGCLMILTGYIGQFYE
 SPTAF--RYVDWTLTVPLMCVEFYLLTKPF--GAKGATLTKLIIASLVMLVTGYIGETSG
 PFNDFY-RYADWLLTVPLLLLELILVLGLSP-ARTWNLGVKLWVASVLMGLGYVGEANT
 NREIFYVRYVDWFITPPLLLMDLLLTAAAA--AMPWPTVLFVVLVDEVMIVTGLVGLVLR
 NREIFYVRYVDWFITPPLLLMDLLLTAAAA--GLPWPTILYITIFLDEVMIVTGLIGALVK
 NREIFYVRYVDWFITPPLLLMDLLLTAAAA--GLPWPTILYITIFLDEVMIVTGLVGLVLR
 DRVIFYVRYVDWFITPPLLLMDLLLTAAAA--SKDRVIIGGLIVADVFMVLTGLIAEFSP
 DTTIYYARYIDWVISTPPLLLAALALTAMFGG-KKNLTLLFSLVALDVFMITGFVADLSI
 EKTIFYVRYVDWFITPPLLLMDLLLTAAAA--GADRNTISTLVSLDVLMIPTGVVATLSA
 GKVILFGRYIDWVITPPLLLMDLLLTAAAA--GADRNTIASLVSLDVLMIPTGVVATLSA
 EPIYVARYTDWLFITPPLLLLDLALLA----GADRNTIASLVSLDVLMIPTGVVATLSA
 EPIYVARYTDWLFITPPLLLLDLALLA----GANRNQLSTLVGLDVLMIPTGAVATLST
 EPIYVARYTDWLFITPPLLLLDLALLA----GANRNQIATLVGLDALMIPTGAVATLST
 VLDIYWARYADWLFITPPLLLLDLALLA----RASKNTIYTLVGLDVLMIPTGVIGALAA
 TLDIYWARYADWLFITPPLLLLDLALLA----GADRNTIYTLVGLDVFMIPTGLVGLAR
 TLDIYWARYADWLFITPPLLLLDLALLA----GANRNTIATLVGLDVFMIPTGLIAALEP
 ALTIYWARYADWLFITPPLLLLDLALLA----GANRNTIATLVGLDVFMIPTGLIAALEP
 QNPIYWARYADWLFITPPLLLLDLALLA----DADQGTILALVGADGIMIGTGLVGLATK
 VLDIYYARYADWLFITPPLLLLDLALLA----KVDRVTIGTLVGLDALMIPTGLIGALSK
 MLDIYYARYADWLFITPPLLLLDLALLA----KVDRVTIGTLVGLDALMIPTGLVGLASH

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PGRINEDVTLWAVWGLISTAFFLHVLVLITRVIKEGSS--KMSGGAKSVFSAILPLFLIS
 LDN-----NIFWGIIVSTLGYLYIVYEVFAGDVAKLSQSSDSPALKKAMFLKIFITLG
 EPGP-----RTLWLGALSSVPFFYILYVLWVELGQAIREFGPRVLELLTAIRYVLLMS
 SSY-----KWGYFAFGCAALFYVVFVLWEARRHAN--ALGSDVGKAFITICGSLTTF
 SRY-----KWGFWTFTGTVAMFAIFWNLAVEGRKHAK--HLGSDVYRCYLMCGVLTFFV
 SRY-----KWGFWTFTGTVAMFAIFWNLAVEGRKHAK--HLGSDIARTYTICGCLTLFI
 SPI-----KYVWYILGVVAFLLIILWIIWPLRAKAK--SQNHVYRVFLIVAGYLSIL
 GTT-----KYIWYSLGVIALIILVITFGPLRRIAL--SNGTRLARHYTRVAIYLSAL
 DSL-----KYIWYSLGVIALFIILLITWIPLKRIAD--RHEQLSKHYKRVALYLTIF
 SNF-----RWAFFAVSCAGFLAVLYFIIVKLTPEAN--VRSGPVQRHYSTLAIMLIAL
 GSGVLAAGAERLIWVGISTAFLLVLLYFLFSSLSRV--DLPSDTQGTFRTRLNLVAVV
 GSGVL SAGAERLWVGISTAFLLVLLYFLFSSLSGRVA--DLPSDTRSTFKTRLNLVTWV
 AGVLLSPVGDRIIWVGSTGFLVLLYFLFGLTKEAS--QLSGAARSTFSTLRNLIVV
 TGVLLSPVGDRIIWVGSTGFLVLLYFLFGLTTEEAN--RLSDDAQSTFRTRLNLIVV
 SSAFI-----RIVWVAISTVFLFLLYFLIRTLEAAT--RQSPEVRKLTTLRLNMLIVL
 EGQVF-----RIIWWAISTGALLVLLYFLLGSLSEQAS--RQAGEVGALFSRLRNLILVL
 NATY-----RIMWWGISTGALLALLYILVGTLSKQVE--TRDAEVQSLFSTLRNLTMLV
 TPGT-----RIAWVAISTGALLALLYVLVGTLSENAR--NRAPEVASLFGRRLNLVIAL
 VYSY-----RFVWVAISTAAMLYILYVLFPGFTSKAE--SMRPEVASTFKVLNRNVTVL
 TPLA-----RYTWLWFSTIAFLFVLYLLTSLRSAK--QRSAEVQSTFNTLTALVAVL
 TAVA-----RYSWWLFTSTICMIWVLYFLATSLRSAK--QRSADVQSTFNTLTALVLVL

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WWLYPIAYLAPYFMT--MGYS-YETTIVSQQVIYTIADISSKVYGVMLTATMLSK--
 WSIYPIGYM---VLP--GNLLSGLFEVSSIDL FYNLADAINKIGFGLVIYS-----
 WGFYPIAYA---LGTWLP--GAAQEVVIQLGYSLADLIAPVYGLLIFAIARA-----
 WILYPIAWG---LCE--GG--NLISPDSEAFYIGILDLLAKPVFGALLIWHGRGIDPAR
 WLCYPICWG---VSE--GG--NVIPPDSEAVFYGVLDLAKPCFSIALIAGHWNINPGR
 WLCYPICWG---VSE--GA--NVIPPDSEAVFYGVLDLAKPVFSIALIIGHWNINPGR
 WVGYPVWV---LGP--SG-L-GVISQITDQALFVSLPIFSKVGFSLDLSCRLWLHV--
 WWCYPTAWL---LGP--SG-L-GLAQELTEVLVFIILPIFSKVGFSLDLHGLRKLH---
 WLLYPTAWI---LGA--SG-I-GMTQGIIDTLAFVILPIFSKIGFGLDLHGLRKLK---
 WWCYPIWVI---LGT--EG-F-GIISLLPEVILYAILDLVAKGAFGVLLSKPGVLL---
 WLVPVWV---IGT--EG-L-ALVGIFTETAGFMVIDLVAKVGFGLLRSHSVL----
 WLVPVWV---VGT--EG-L-GLVGIGIETAGFMVIDLTAKVGFGLLRSHGV---
 WLVPVWVI---LGT--EG-L-GVISLYSETAGFMVLDLVAKVGFGLLRSRDVL----
 WLVPVWVI---LGT--EG-L-GTIGLYSETAGFMVLDLVAKVGFGLLRSSREVL----
 WLVPVWVI---LGT--EGTI-GIIPLYWETAAFMVLDTAKVGFGLLRSHSVL----
 WSAYPVWVI---LGT--EGGF-AIIPLGIVETAAFMVLDSAKVGFGLLRQSRDVL---
 WLLYPVWVI---LGT--EGTI-GILPLYWETAAFMVLDSAKVGFGLLRRAVLE---
 WFLYPVWVI---LGT--EGTF-GILPLYWETAAFMVLDSAKVGFGLLRQSRVLE---
 WSAYPVWV---IGS--EG-A-GIVPLNIETLLFMVLDVSAKVGFGLLRRAIFG---
 WTAYPILWI---VGT--EG-A-GVVGGLGIETLAFMILDVTA KVGFGLLRRAILG---
 WTAYPILWI---IGT--EG-A-GVVGGLGIETLLFMVLDVTA KVGFGLLRRAILG---

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Ningiella.ruwaisensis	-----QEGMAESQA-----
Cyclobacterium.plantarum	-----VAIKESKTTAQVA-----
Thermus.thermophilus	-----KSLEEGFGEGVKAA-----
GeneX	LGLYIHDYNEKDPVKKVKGAPGPNVHPNTNNANNAATNDSTPETV
Aureobasidium.melanogenum	MGLKLRDYDEEPAYFGPKNGAEAAKERGRDNAVVGVA-----
Aureobasidium.pullulans	MGLKLRDYDEDPDYFGPKNGAEAAKERSNGSSSGVDGGA-----
Alteribacter.aurantiacus	-----KHGQEVTPQAT-----
Bacillus.coahuilensis	-----QSSYVHN-----
Alkalihalobacillus.hwajinpoensis	-----TN-----
Ktedonobacter.robiniae	-----EAERETAPINSVAAQW-----
Halomicroarcula.salinisoli	-----DGAAQSQTGASPAD--D-----
Haloarcula.mannanilytica	-----DGAAETTSTGATPAD--D-----
Haloplanus.rallus	-----DAAGDTTGAALGDADPTD-----
Natronomonas.gomsonensis	-----DAAGDLAGSTAQPAD--D-----
Salinigranum.halophilum	-----EAATQSTTAGATAD-----
Salinigranum.salinum	-----AAKSTGASATAD-----
Halogranum.amylolyticum	-----KASTPTAAATA-----
Natrinema.pallidum	-----RVATPTAAPT-----
Halobacterium.salinarum	-----EAEAPEPSAGDGAAATSD-----
Halorubrum.sodomense	-----DTEAPEPSAGADAQA-AD-----
Halorubrum.trapanicum	-----DTGAPEPSAGAEASA-AD-----

Screenshot 16: Multiple Sequence Alignment for longer Gene X ORF provided by MUSCLE

Question 6:

Note that within the multiple alignment there are organisms hailing from all three main domains of life. The phylogenies shown below do not follow the expected branching pattern for the relationships between the various species. However, it is not unprecedented for gene trees to differ from species trees, especially when prokaryotes are involved, given the extensive horizontal gene transfer that occurs within this domain.

To create the gene phylogenies the MEGA11 program was used with the maximum parsimony method. Note however that the phylogeny produced was robust to the statistical method utilised, as maximum likelihood gave the same results.

M11: Analysis Preferences

Phylogeny Reconstruction

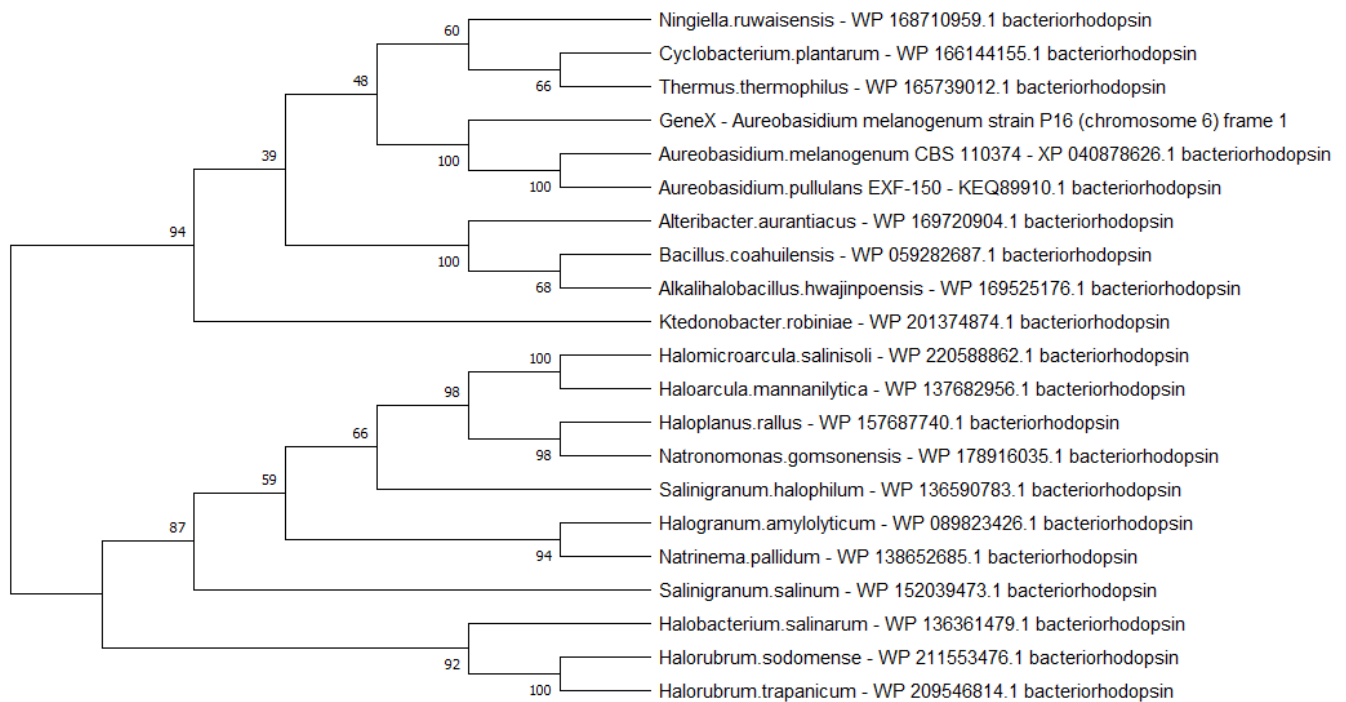
Option	Setting
ANALYSIS	
Statistical Method →	Maximum Parsimony
PHYLOGENY TEST	
Test of Phylogeny →	Bootstrap method
No. of Bootstrap Replications →	500
SUBSTITUTION MODEL	
Substitutions Type →	Amino acid
DATA SUBSET TO USE	
Gaps/Missing Data Treatment →	Use all sites
Site Coverage Cutoff (%) →	Not Applicable
TREE INFERENCE OPTIONS	
MP Search Method →	Subtree-Pruning-Regrafting (SPR)
No. of Initial Trees (random addition) →	10
MP Search level →	1
Max No. of Trees to Retain →	100
SYSTEM RESOURCE USAGE	
Number of Threads →	4

ⓘ Help

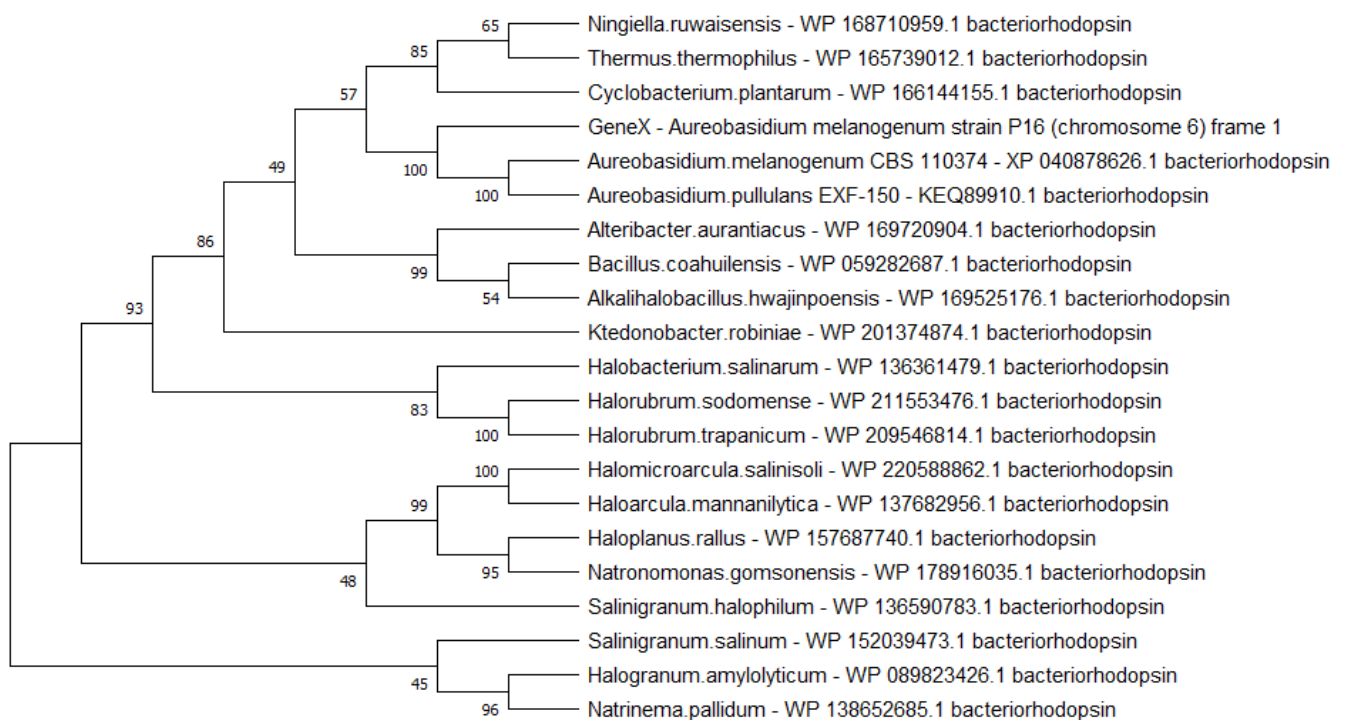
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✓ OK

Screenshot 17: MEGA parameters for cladogram estimation for both predicted ORFs



Screenshot 18: Bootstrap consensus cladogram for the longer predicted Gene X ORF and the other sequences introduced earlier

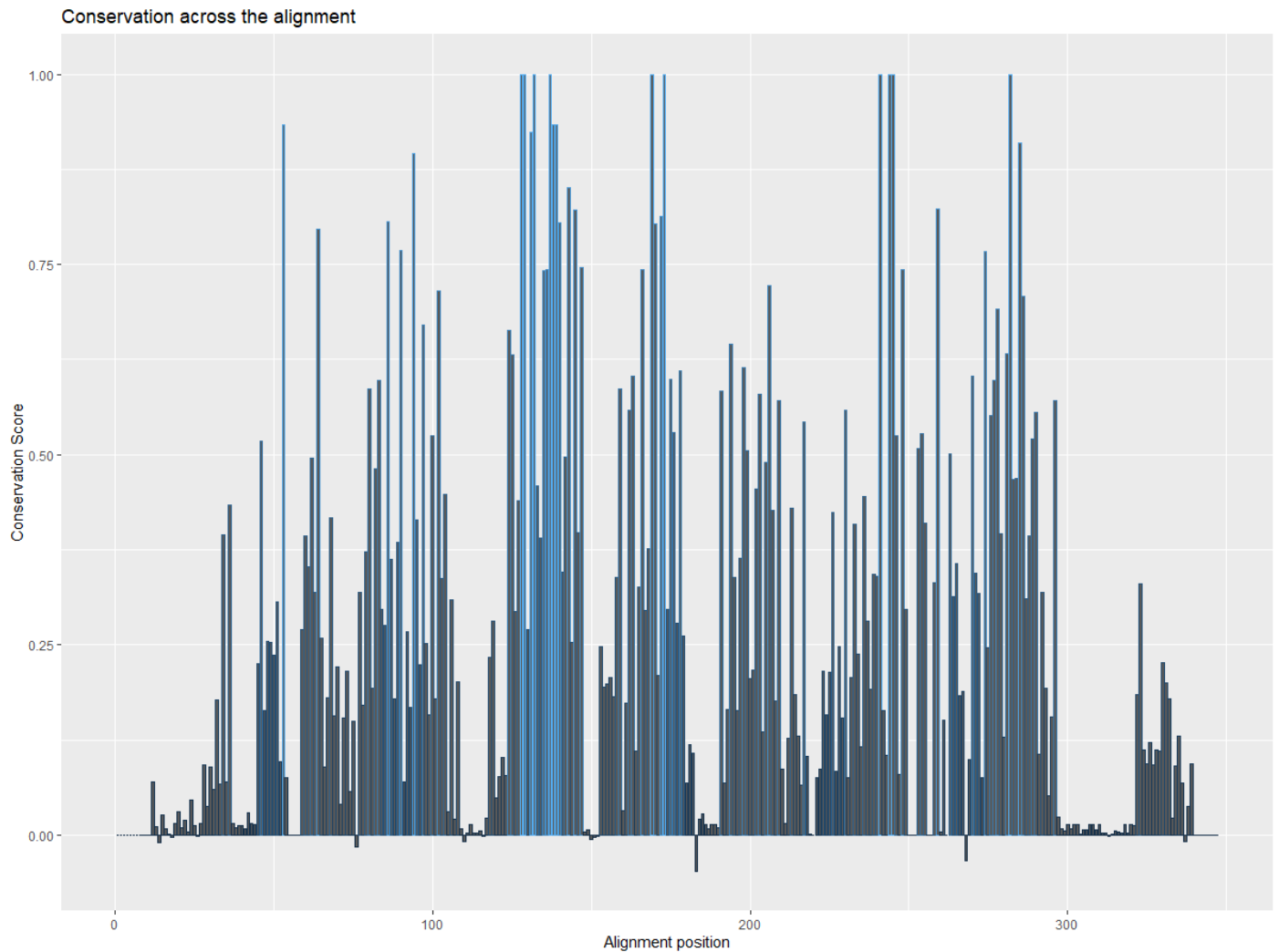


Screenshot 18: Bootstrap consensus cladogram for the shorter predicted Gene X ORF and the other sequences introduced earlier

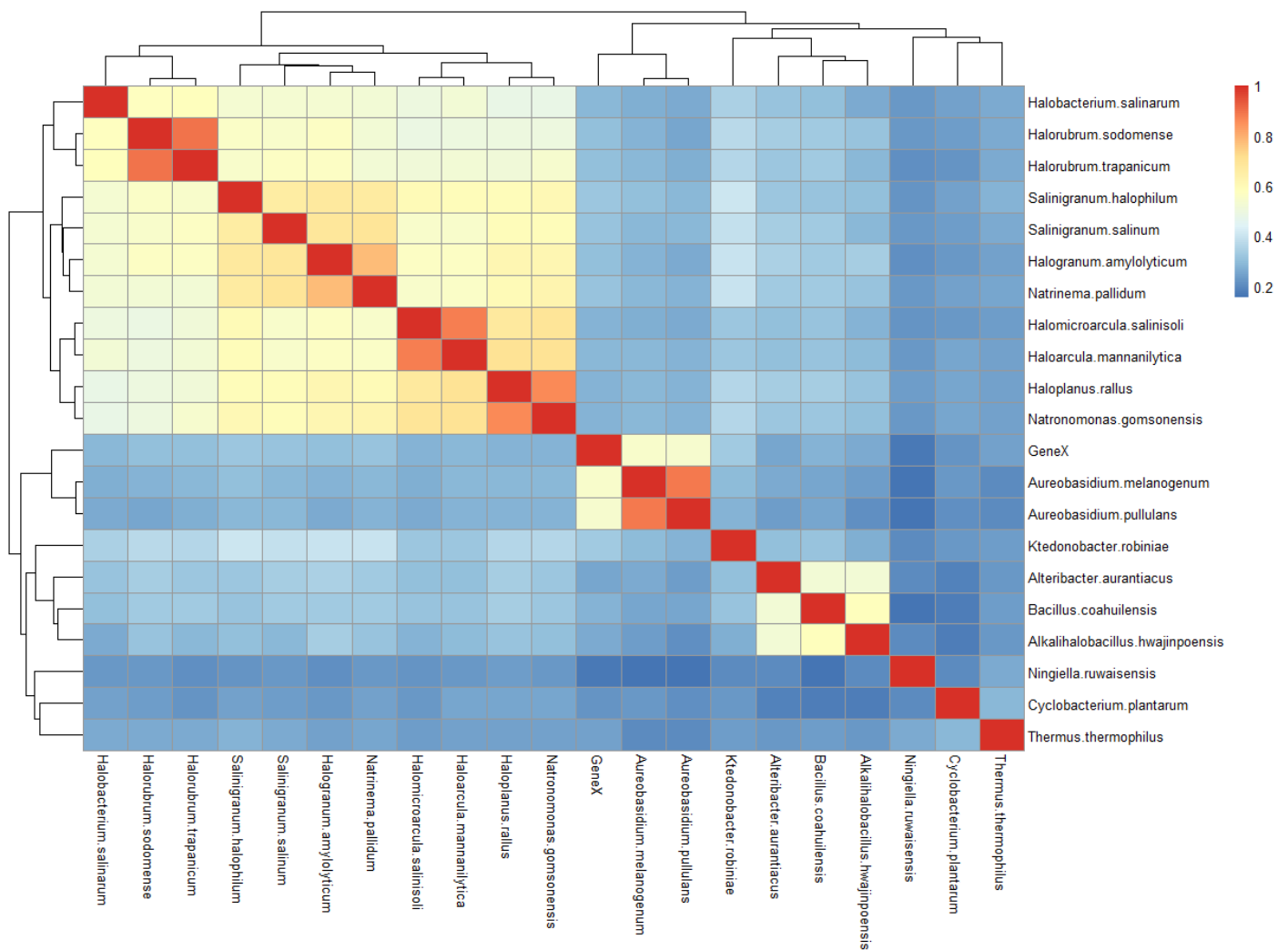
While there are a few differences between the two cladograms, they are largely identical, and both place the *Gene X* from *Aureobasidium melanogenum* as an outgroup to the bacteriorhodopsin genes of *Aureobasidium melanogenum* and *Aureobasidium pullulans*. This is important because *Gene X* shared a large amount of similarity with the *Aureobasidium melanogenum* bacteriorhodopsin, and its outgroup nature is therefore an important factor in considering it a novel gene, alongside its lack of annotation and the percentage identity < 100%.

Question 7:

Next it is interesting to consider conservation across the alignment. This can be achieved in R with some functions from the bio3D package and ggplot2 for plotting.

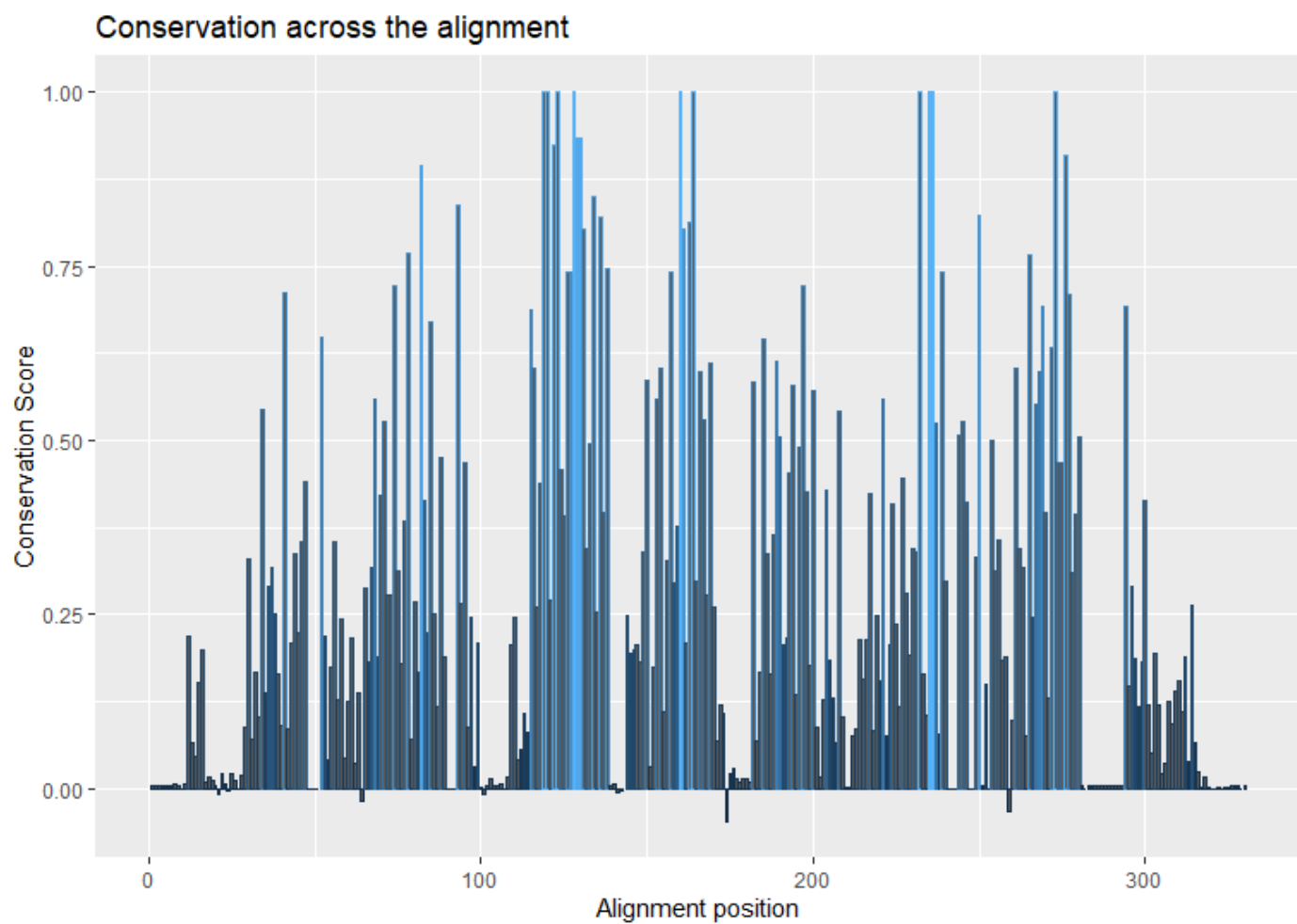


Plot 1: Plot of conservation scores across the multiple alignment (Long ORF)

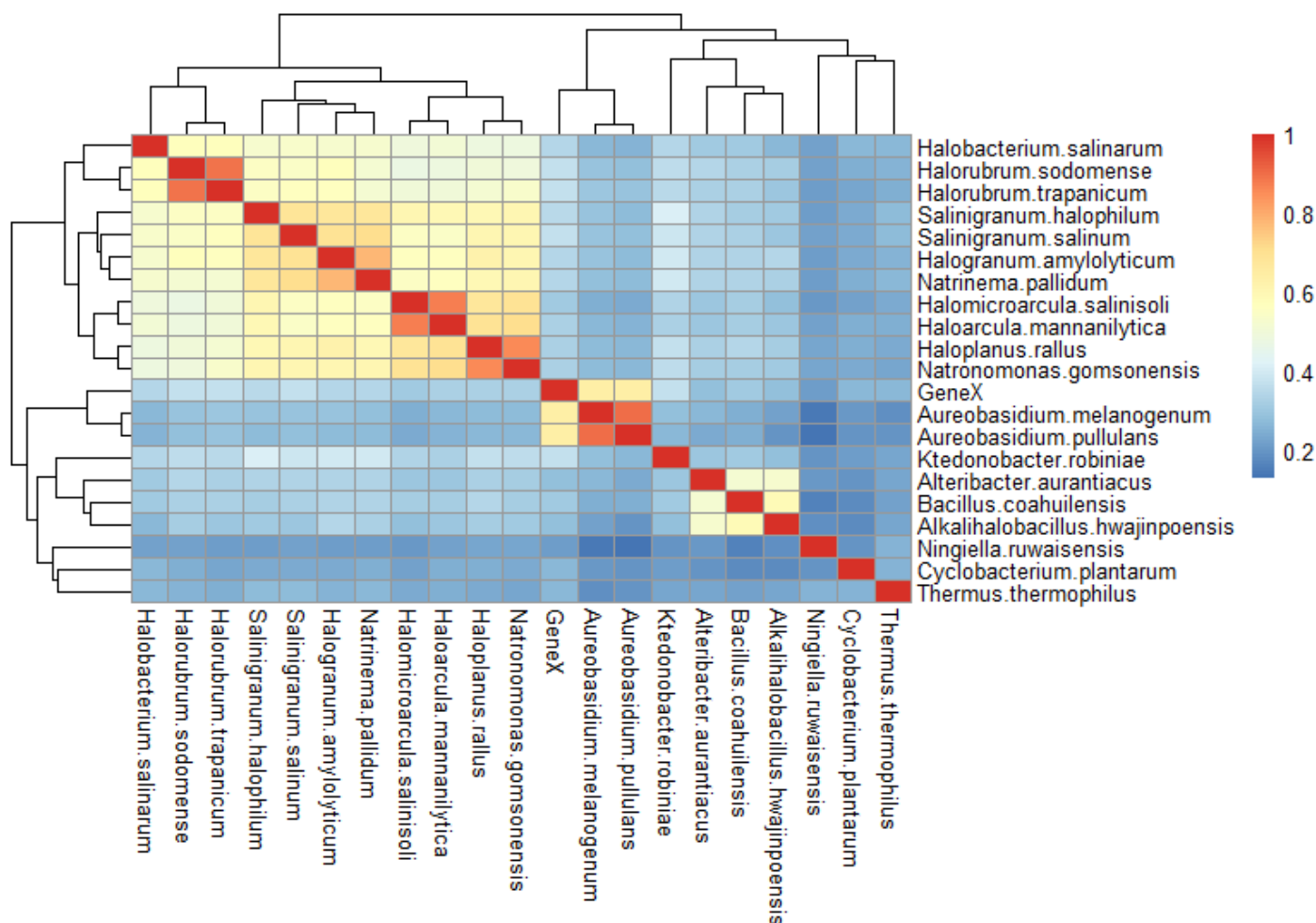


Plot 2: Heatmap of sequence similarity, where 1 = 100% identity (Long ORF)

It is interesting to note that this heatmap shows a strong clustering of Prokaryotes and Archaea, with the Eukaryotes inbetween, closer to the Prokaryotes. Also note that, again, Gene X is the outgroup to the two *Aureobasidium* bacteriorhodopsin sequences. The same patterns are observed for the shorter predicted ORF (see below).



Plot 3: Plot of conservation scores across the multiple alignment (Short ORF)



Plot 4: Heatmap of sequence similarity, where 1 = 100% identity (Short ORF)

Question 8:

Longer predicted ORF

Using the online server EMBL-EBI to get a results gives an uncharacterized protein as the top hit, followed by bacteriorhodopsin and a protein from an unplaced genomic scaffold.

[Results for job fasta-I20220216-234158-0204-25994608-p1m](#)

Summary Table Tool Output Visual Output Functional Predictions Submission Details

Selection:

Select All Invert Clear

Apply to selection:

Annotations:

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Alignments:

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Align.	DB:ID	Source	Length	Score (Bits)	Identities %	Positives %	E()
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1	AFDB:AF-A0A1C1CZG1-F1	Uncharacterized protein	304	288.8	53.5	80.9	1.8E-76
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2	AFDB:AF-A0A1C1CTS3-F1	Bacteriorhodopsin	301	266.1	52.0	81.7	1.2E-69
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3	AFDB:AF-A0A0D2H0H7-F1	Unplaced genomic scaffold supercont1.5, whole genome shotgun sequence	298	259.3	50.3	79.0	1.4E-67
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4	AFDB:AF-O74631-F1	Protein FDD123	283	189.6	38.3	72.5	1.2E-46
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5	AFDB:AF-A0A1C1CDV2-F1	Opsin-1	302	158.5	38.7	68.4	3.0E-37
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 6	AFDB:AF-A0A0D2H7D9-F1	Unplaced genomic scaffold supercont1.4, whole genome shotgun sequence	300	148.6	36.2	70.1	2.7E-34
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 7	AFDB:AF-U7PWK4-F1	Uncharacterized protein	305	145.9	33.1	66.9	1.9E-33
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 8	AFDB:AF-P38079-F1	Protein YRO2	344	145.5	34.3	63.3	2.7E-33
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 9	AFDB:AF-Q12117-F1	Protein MRH1	320	145.3	34.2	61.1	2.9E-33

Using R and Bio3D provides three hits above the threshold. Namely:

PDB Code	E value	Sequence Identity	Chain Length	Alignment Length	Experimental Technique	Resolution	Pfam Classification	Source
7BMH_A	2.13e-28	36.898	324	241	X-ray	2.20	Bacteriorhodopsin-like protein (Bac_rhodopsin)	Leptospira maculans
5AWZ_A	4.29e-26	38.710	344	231	X-ray	1.57	Bacteriorhodopsin-like protein (Bac_rhodopsin)	Acetabularia acetabulum
6GYH_A	7.74e-30	47.222	236	222	X-ray	2.00	Bacteriorhodopsin-like protein (Bac_rhodopsin)	Coccomyxa subellipsoidea C-169

The use of bio3D and R allows more than simply blast searching, as shown below, in the inserted R markdown document.

Longer ORF PDB search and results

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02/03/2022

The code in this document is made to be useful with either the long or the short ORF, but in the set-up below the sequence to use is set to the long ORF.

```
# Set-up
library("bio3d")
library("ggplot2")
library("ggrepel")
library("msa")
library("bio3d.view")

# Load sequence of POI
seqL <- read.fasta("long.ORF.fa")
seqS <- read.fasta("short.ORF.fa")

#Choose which sequence to use
seq <- seqL
```

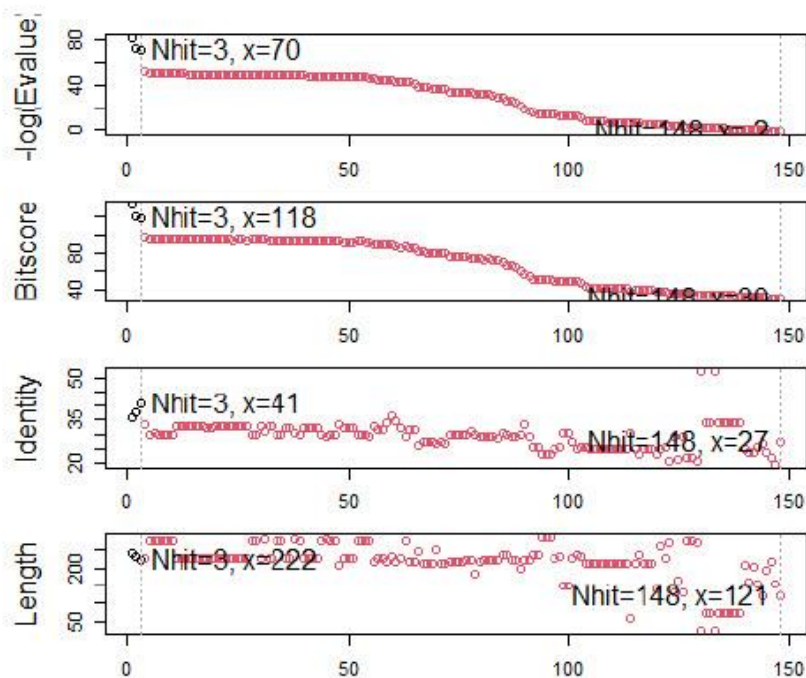
After set up the blast search can be completed and the summary statistics of this search can be plotted.

```
# Blast search
blast <- blast.pdb(seq, database = "pdb")

## Searching ... please wait (updates every 5 seconds) RID = 1ZJ94FWD01R
##
.....
.....
.....
.....
## Reporting 148 hits

# Plot summary statistics of results
hits <- plot(blast)

## * Possible cutoff values: 70 -2
##      Yielding Nhits: 3 148
##
## * Chosen cutoff value of: 70
##      Yielding Nhits: 3
```

```
# Print the IDs of the hits above the threshold
```

```
hit.IDs <- hits$pdb.id
```

```
hit.IDs
```

```
## [1] "7BMH_A" "5AWZ_A" "6GYH_A"
```

There are 3 hits that pass the statistical threshold, namely: 7BMH_A, 5AWZ_A, 6GYH_A. More information can be found on these by interrogating the blast results.

```
# Show the hit table for the top hits which pass the threshold
```

```
head(blast$hit.tbl, n = length(hit.IDs))
```

```
##      queryid subjectids identity alignmentlength mismatches gapopens
q.start
## 1 Query_540941      7BMH_A   35.685              241         149         3
42
## 2 Query_540941      5AWZ_A   37.662              231         115         5
39
## 3 Query_540941      6GYH_A   40.541              222         122         4
46
##      q.end s.start s.end  evalue bitscore positives mlog.evalue pdb.id
acc
## 1   276      51   291 6.05e-36      133      51.45      81.09301 7BMH_A
7BMH_A
## 2   258      16   228 6.87e-32      120      49.78      71.75556 5AWZ_A
5AWZ_A
```

```
## 3    266      14    226 2.73e-31      118      55.86      70.37584 6GYH_A
6GYH_A
```

We can also download these PDB files, annotate them for more information and align them with our sequence to get an overview of sequence alignment.

```
# Download related PDB files
```

```
files <- get.pdb(hits$pdb.id, path="pdbs", split=TRUE, gzip=TRUE)
```

```
## |
|                                     | 0%
|=====| 33%
|=====| 67%
|=====| 100%
```

```
# Align related PDBs
```

```
pdbs <- pdbaln(files, fit = TRUE, exefile="msa")
```

```
## Reading PDB files:
```

```
## pdbs/split_chain/7BMH_A.pdb
```

```
## pdbs/split_chain/5AWZ_A.pdb
```

```
## pdbs/split_chain/6GYH_A.pdb
```

```
## PDB has ALT records, taking A only, rm.alt=TRUE
```

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```
## .
```

```
##
```

```
## Extracting sequences
```

```
##
```

```
## pdb/seq: 1 name: pdbs/split_chain/7BMH_A.pdb
```

```
## PDB has ALT records, taking A only, rm.alt=TRUE
```

```
## pdb/seq: 2 name: pdbs/split_chain/5AWZ_A.pdb
```

```
## PDB has ALT records, taking A only, rm.alt=TRUE
```

```
## pdb/seq: 3 name: pdbs/split_chain/6GYH_A.pdb
```

```
## PDB has ALT records, taking A only, rm.alt=TRUE
```

```
# Vector containing PDB codes for figure axis
```

```
ids <- basename.pdb(pdb$id)
```

```
# Annotate hits for more information on the hits
```

```
anno <- pdb.annotate(ids)
```

```
# Find the organisms these PDB hits come from
```

```
unique(anno$source)
```

```
## [1] "Leptosphaeria maculans" "Acetabularia acetabulum"
```

```
## [3] "Coccomyxa subellipsoidea C-169"
```

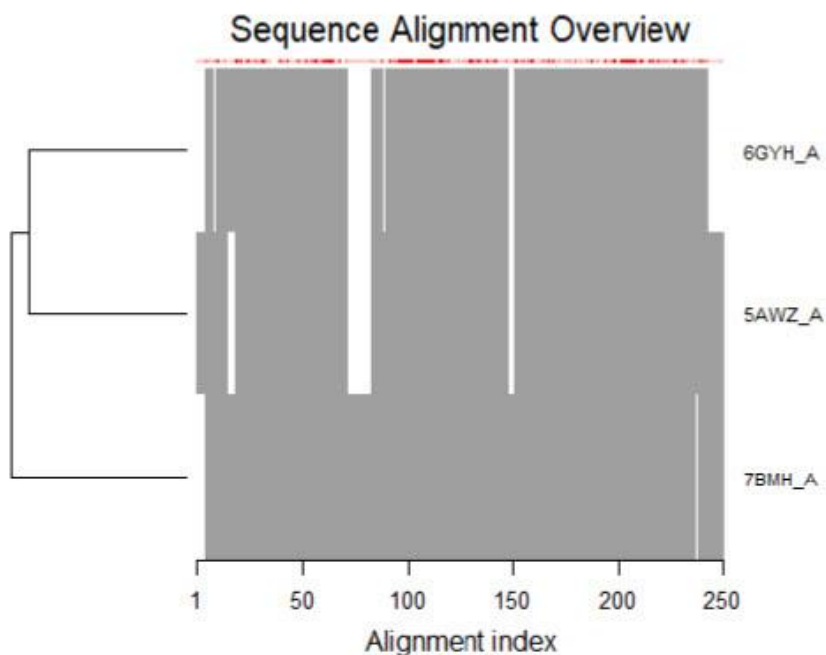
View more information on the hits

anno

```
##          structureId chainId macromoleculeType chainLength
experimentalTechnique
## 7BMH_A      7BMH      A      Protein      324
X-ray
## 5AWZ_A      5AWZ      A      Protein      244
X-ray
## 6GYH_A      6GYH      A      Protein      236
X-ray
##          resolution scopDomain
pfam
## 7BMH_A      2.20      <NA> Bacteriorhodopsin-like protein
(Bac_rhodopsin)
## 5AWZ_A      1.57      <NA> Bacteriorhodopsin-like protein
(Bac_rhodopsin)
## 6GYH_A      2.00      <NA> Bacteriorhodopsin-like protein
(Bac_rhodopsin)
##          ligandId
## 7BMH_A      LFA (22),OLA (3)
## 5AWZ_A RET,OLB,D12 (2),D10 (3),OCT (2),C14
## 6GYH_A      RET,CLR,OLB (4)
##
ligandName
## 7BMH_A
EICOSANE (22),OLEIC ACID (3)
## 5AWZ_A RETINAL,(2S)-2,3-dihydroxypropyl (9Z)-octadec-9-enoate,DODECANE
(2),DECANE (3),N-OCTANE (2),TETRADECANE
## 6GYH_A      RETINAL,CHOLESTEROL,(2S)-2,3-
dihydroxypropyl (9Z)-octadec-9-enoate (4)
##          source
## 7BMH_A      Leptosphaeria maculans
## 5AWZ_A      Acetabularia acetabulum
## 6GYH_A Coccoomyxa subellipsoidea C-169
##
structureTitle
## 7BMH_A      Crystal structure of a light-driven proton
pump LR (Mac) from Leptosphaeria maculans
## 5AWZ_A Crystal Structure of the Cell-Free Synthesized Membrane Protein,
Acetabularia Rhodopsin I, at 1.57 angstrom
## 6GYH_A      Crystal structure of the light-driven proton
pump Coccoomyxa subellipsoidea Rhodopsin CsR
##          citation
rObserved
## 7BMH_A      Zabelskii, D., et al. Commun Biol (2021)
0.23840
## 5AWZ_A Furuse, M., et al. Acta Crystallogr D Biol Crystallogr (2015)
0.17760
## 6GYH_A      Fudim, R., et al. Sci Signal (2019)
```

```
0.19398
##          rFree   rWork spaceGroup
## 7BMH_A 0.28470 0.23610 P 21 21 21
## 5AWZ_A 0.19410 0.17690 C 1 2 1
## 6GYH_A 0.22493 0.19231 H 3
```

```
# Draw schematic alignment
plot(pdb, labels=ids)
```

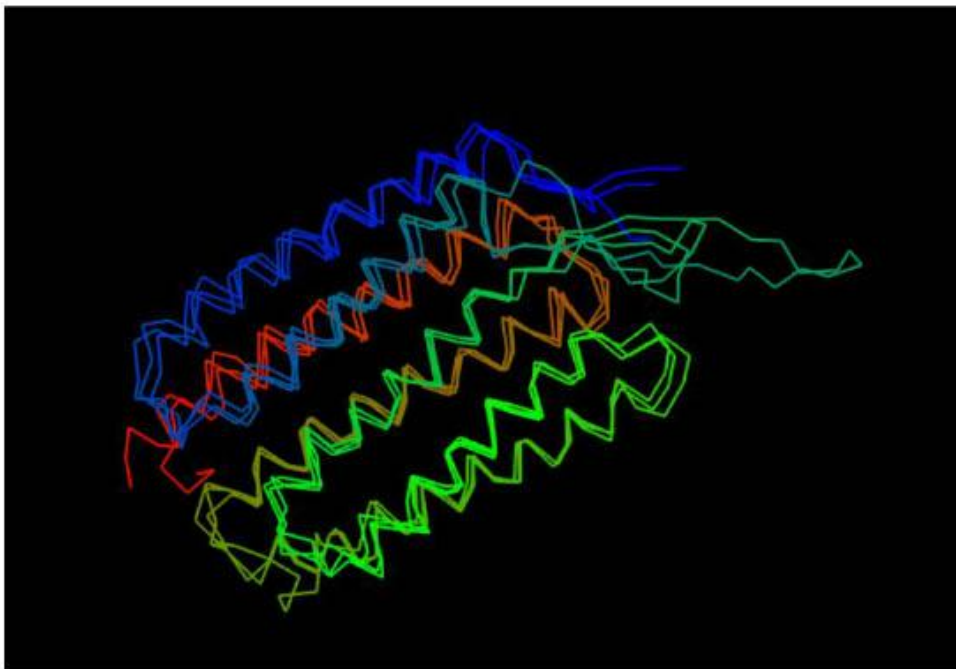
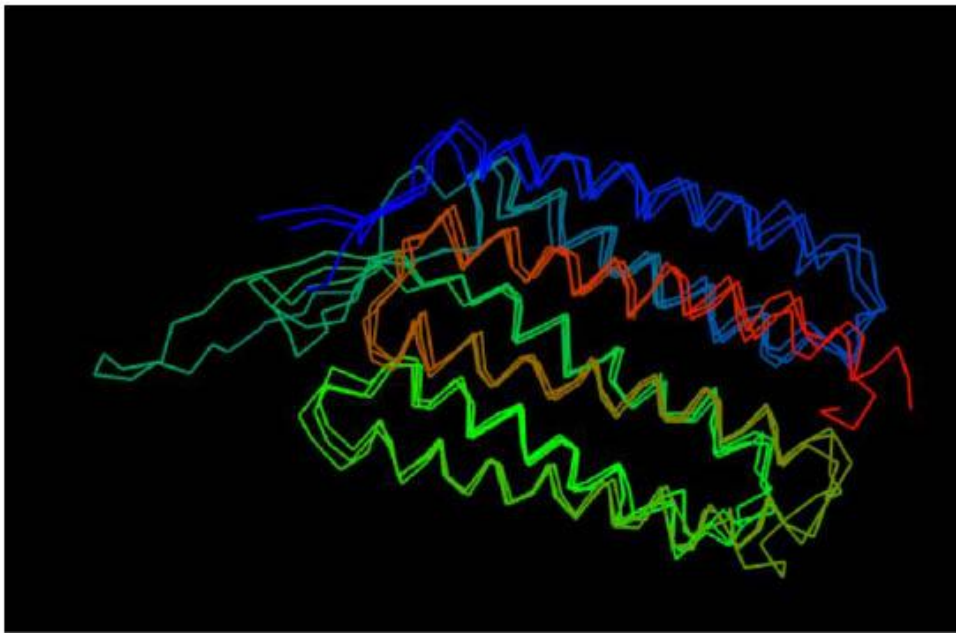


We can also plot the three structures we have found as follows:

```
# Set up
library(bio3d.view)
library(rgl)

# Plot
#view.pdb(pdb)
```

The `View.pdb()` function brings up an interactive viewer, which cannot be directly viewed in the markdown document, so instead two screen-shots of this have been inserted.



With more proteins it could be interesting to plot variability, or even do PCA using the amino acid position data, but with only three proteins this is not useful.

Session Information

```
sessionInfo()

## R version 4.1.2 (2021-11-01)
## Platform: x86_64-w64-mingw32/x64 (64-bit)
## Running under: Windows 10 x64 (build 22000)
##
## Matrix products: default
##
## locale:
## [1] LC_COLLATE=English_United Kingdom.1252
## [2] LC_CTYPE=English_United Kingdom.1252
## [3] LC_MONETARY=English_United Kingdom.1252
## [4] LC_NUMERIC=C
## [5] LC_TIME=English_United Kingdom.1252
##
## attached base packages:
## [1] stats4      stats      graphics  grDevices  utils      datasets  methods
## [8] base
##
## other attached packages:
## [1] rgl_0.108.3      bio3d.view_0.1.0.9000 msa_1.26.0
## [4] Biostrings_2.62.0 GenomeInfoDb_1.30.1   XVector_0.34.0
## [7] IRanges_2.28.0   S4Vectors_0.32.3     BiocGenerics_0.40.0
## [10] ggrepel_0.9.1    ggplot2_3.3.5        bio3d_2.4-3.9000
##
## loaded via a namespace (and not attached):
## [1] tidyselect_1.1.2      xfun_0.29             purrr_0.3.4
## [4] colorspace_2.0-2     vctrs_0.3.8           generics_0.1.2
## [7] htmltools_0.5.2      yaml_2.2.2            utf8_1.2.2
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## [13] withr_2.4.3           GenomeInfoDbData_1.2.7 lifecycle_1.0.1
## [16] stringr_1.4.0         zlibbioc_1.40.0       munsell_0.5.0
## [19] gtable_0.3.0          htmlwidgets_1.5.4     evaluate_0.15
## [22] knitr_1.37            extrafont_0.17         fastmap_1.1.0
## [25] curl_4.3.2            parallel_4.1.2        fansi_1.0.2
## [28] Rttf2pt1_1.3.10      highr_0.9             Rcpp_1.0.8
## [31] scales_1.1.1          jsonlite_1.8.0        digest_0.6.29
## [34] stringi_1.7.6         dplyr_1.0.8           grid_4.1.2
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## [43] extrafontdb_1.0       crayon_1.5.0          pkgconfig_2.0.3
## [46] ellipsis_0.3.2        http_1.4.2            rmarkdown_2.11
## [49] rstudioapi_0.13      R6_2.5.1              compiler_4.1.2
```


Shorter predicted ORF

The same method can be used for the shorter predicted ORF.

PDB Code	E value	Sequence Identity	Chain Length	Alignment Length	Experimental Technique	Resolution	Pfam Classification	Source
7BMH_A		36.9	324	144	X-ray	2.20	Bacteriorhodopsin-like protein (Bac_rhodopsin)	Leptospira maculans
5AWZ_A		38.7	344	187	X-ray	1.57	Bacteriorhodopsin-like protein (Bac_rhodopsin)	Acetabularia acetabulum
6GYH_A		47.2	236	186	X-ray	2.00	Bacteriorhodopsin-like protein (Bac_rhodopsin)	Coccomyxa subellipsoidea C-169

Longer ORF PDB search and results

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The code in this document is made to be useful with either the long or the short ORF, but in the set-up below the sequence to use is set to the long ORF.

```
# Set-up
library("bio3d")
library("ggplot2")
library("ggrepel")
library("msa")
library("bio3d.view")

# Load sequence of POI
seqL <- read.fasta("long.ORF.fa")
seqS <- read.fasta("short.ORF.fa")

# Choose which sequence to use
seq <- seqS
```

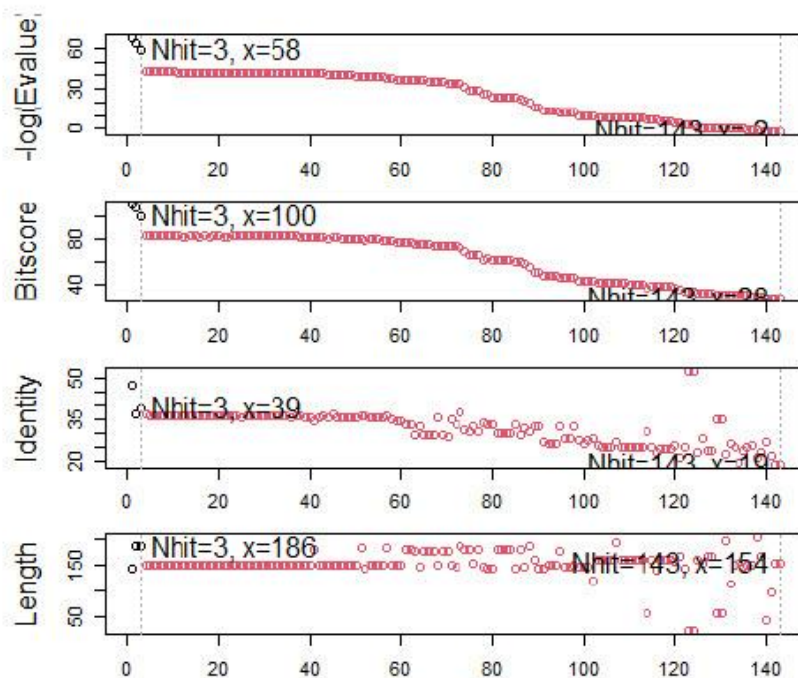
After set up the blast search can be completed and the summary statistics of this search can be plotted.

```
# Blast search
blast <- blast.pdb(seq, database = "pdb")

## Searching ... please wait (updates every 5 seconds) RID = 1ZR0NWEN013
## .
## Reporting 143 hits

# Plot summary statistics of results
hits <- plot(blast)

## * Possible cutoff values:    58 -3
##           Yielding Nhits:    3 143
##
## * Chosen cutoff value of:    58
##           Yielding Nhits:    3
```



```
# Print the IDs of the hits above the threshold
```

```
hit.IDs <- hits$pdb.id
```

```
hit.IDs
```

```
## [1] "6GYH_A" "7BMH_A" "5AWZ_A"
```

There are 3 hits that pass the statistical threshold, namely: 6GYH_A, 7BMH_A, 5AWZ_A. More information can be found on these by interrogating the blast results.

```
# Show the hit table for the top hits which pass the threshold
```

```
head(blast$hit.tbl, n = length(hit.IDs))
```

```
##      queryid subjectids identity alignmentlength mismatches gapopens
q.start
## 1 Query_40791      6GYH_A   47.222           144          74         2
35
## 2 Query_40791      7BMH_A   36.898           187         112         2
1
## 3 Query_40791      5AWZ_A   38.710           186          85         5
2
##      q.end s.start s.end  evalue bitscore positives mlog.evalue pdb.id
acc
## 1   177      77    219 7.74e-30      110      61.81    67.03115 6GYH_A
6GYH_A
## 2   181      92    278 2.13e-28      108      52.94    63.71626 7BMH_A
7BMH_A
```

```
## 3   176      61   228 4.29e-26      100      51.08      58.41093 5AWZ_A
5AWZ_A
```

We can also download these PDB files, annotate them for more information and align them with our sequence to get an overview of sequence alignment.

```
# Download related PDB files
```

```
files <- get.pdb(hits$pdb.id, path="pdbs", split=TRUE, gzip=TRUE)
```

```
## |
|                                     | 0%
|=====| 33%
|=====| 67%
|=====| 100%
```

```
# Align related PDBs
```

```
pdbs <- pdbaln(files, fit = TRUE, exefile="msa")
```

```
## Reading PDB files:
```

```
## pdbs/split_chain/6GYH_A.pdb
```

```
## pdbs/split_chain/7BMH_A.pdb
```

```
## pdbs/split_chain/5AWZ_A.pdb
```

```
## PDB has ALT records, taking A only, rm.alt=TRUE
```

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```
## . PDB has ALT records, taking A only, rm.alt=TRUE
```

```
## .
```

```
##
```

```
## Extracting sequences
```

```
##
```

```
## pdb/seq: 1 name: pdbs/split_chain/6GYH_A.pdb
```

```
## PDB has ALT records, taking A only, rm.alt=TRUE
```

```
## pdb/seq: 2 name: pdbs/split_chain/7BMH_A.pdb
```

```
## PDB has ALT records, taking A only, rm.alt=TRUE
```

```
## pdb/seq: 3 name: pdbs/split_chain/5AWZ_A.pdb
```

```
## PDB has ALT records, taking A only, rm.alt=TRUE
```

```
# Vector containing PDB codes for figure axis
```

```
ids <- basename.pdb(pdb$id)
```

```
# Annotate hits for more information on the hits
```

```
anno <- pdb.annotate(ids)
```

```
# Find the organisms these PDB hits come from
```

```
unique(anno$source)
```

```
## [1] "Coccomyxa subellipsoidea C-169" "Leptosphaeria maculans"
```

```
## [3] "Acetabularia acetabulum"
```

View more information on the hits

anno

structureId	chainId	macromoleculeType	chainLength
6GYH_A	6GYH	Protein	236
7BMH_A	7BMH	Protein	324
5AWZ_A	5AWZ	Protein	244

resolution	scopDomain
2.00	<NA> Bacteriorhodopsin-like protein (Bac_rhodopsin)
2.20	<NA> Bacteriorhodopsin-like protein (Bac_rhodopsin)
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ligandId
RET,CLR,OLB (4)
LFA (22),OLA (3)
OCT (2),C14,RET,OLB,D12 (2),D10 (3)

ligandName
RETINAL,CHOLESTEROL,(2S)-2,3-dihydroxypropyl (9Z)-octadec-9-enoate (4)
EICOSANE (22),OLEIC ACID (3)
N-OCTANE (2),TETRADECANE,RETINAL,(2S)-2,3-dihydroxypropyl (9Z)-octadec-9-enoate,DODECANE (2),DECANE (3)

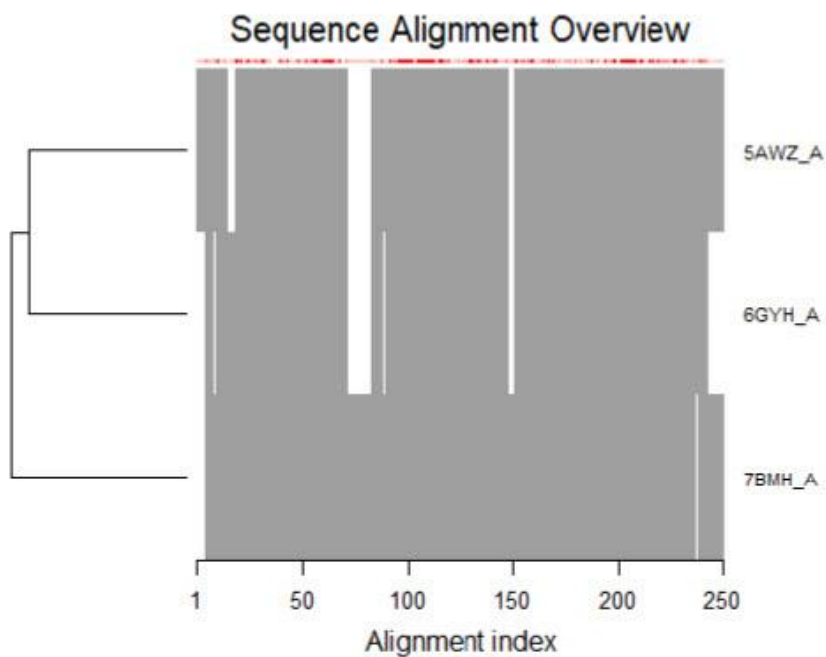
source
Coccomyxa subellipsoidea C-169
Leptosphaeria maculans
Acetabularia acetabulum

structureTitle
Crystal structure of the light-driven proton pump Coccomyxa subellipsoidea Rhodopsin CsR
Crystal structure of a light-driven proton pump LR (Mac) from Leptosphaeria maculans
Crystal Structure of the Cell-Free Synthesized Membrane Protein, Acetabularia Rhodopsin I, at 1.57 angstrom

citation
Fudim, R., et al. Sci Signal (2019) 0.19398
Zabelskii, D., et al. Commun Biol (2021) 0.23840
Furuse, M., et al. Acta Crystallogr D Biol Crystallogr (2015)

```
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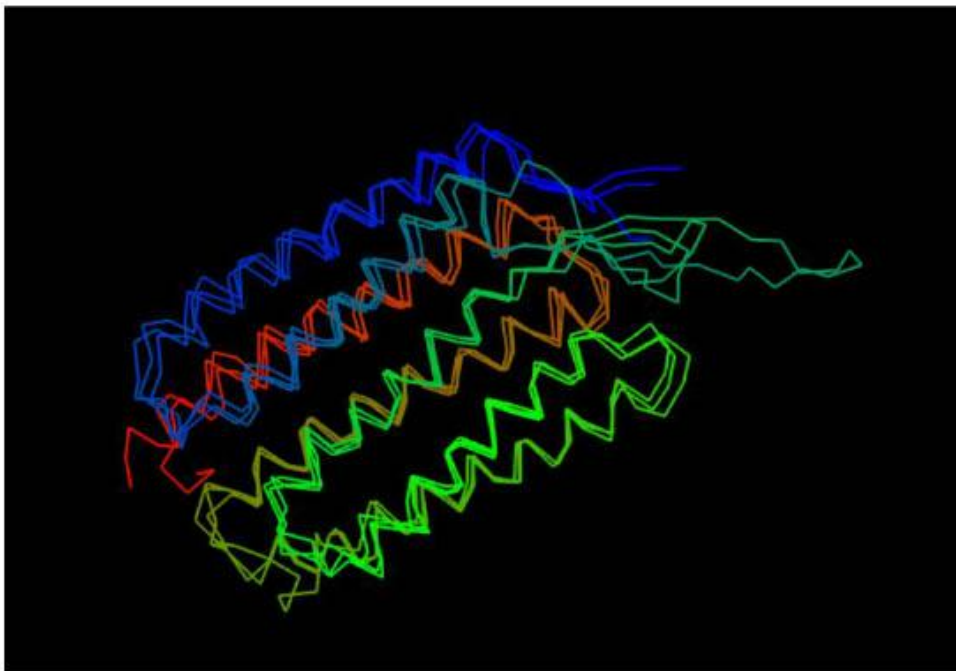
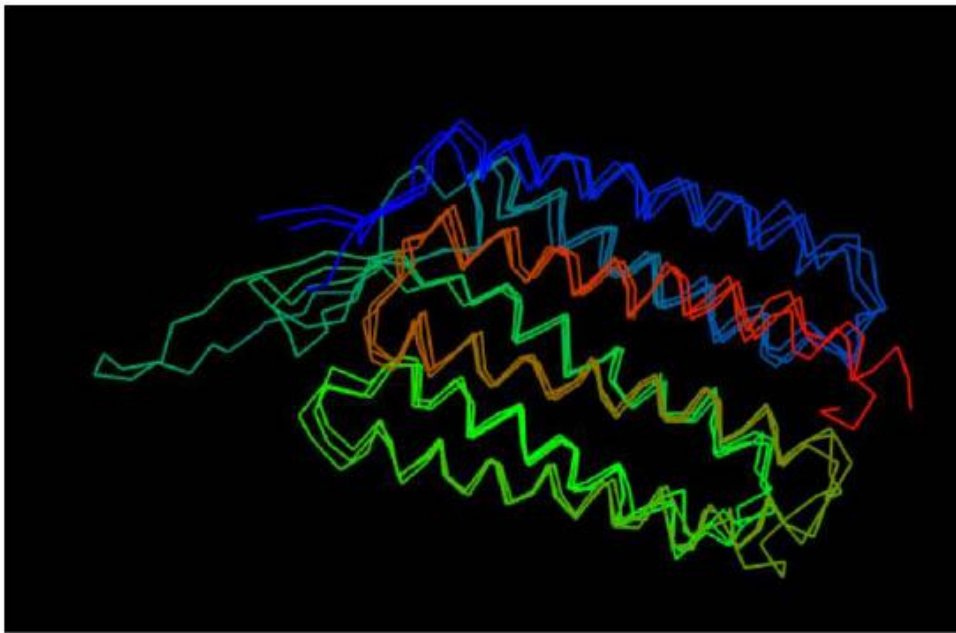


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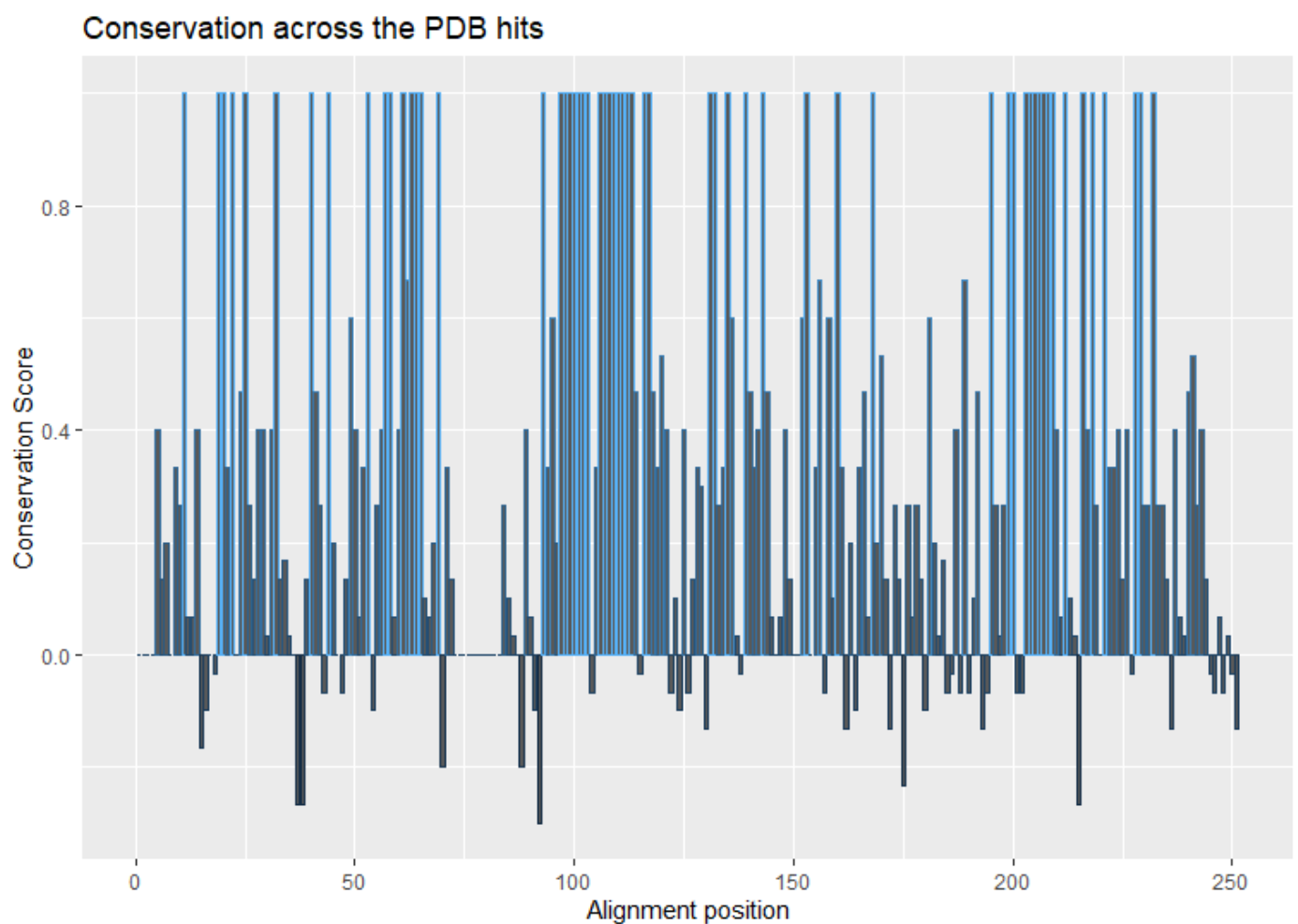
```
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## Platform: x86_64-w64-mingw32/x64 (64-bit)
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##
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##
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## [10] ggrepel_0.9.1    ggplot2_3.3.5        bio3d_2.4-3.9000
##
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## [40] magrittr_2.0.2        RCurl_1.98-1.6        tibble_3.1.6
## [43] extrafontdb_1.0       crayon_1.5.0          pkgconfig_2.0.3
## [46] ellipsis_0.3.2       http_1.4.2            rmarkdown_2.11
## [49] rstudioapi_0.13      R6_2.5.1              compiler_4.1.2
```

Question 9:

As **6GYH_A** has the smallest e-value for the longer ORF (and thus represents the best hit) this is the PDB structure I will generate a molecular figure for.

To get an idea of the most conserved residues the code used previously finding these values for the conservation plots of multiple sequence alignments can be used.



Plot 5: Conservation across the PDB hits

In VMD we can load the PDB files downloaded for all three proteins, and then use the MultiSeq extension to consider conservation. Unfortunately, I was not able to get this extension to work. Therefore, I simply listed all the 100% conserved residues and created a visualization state for them, namely, in the image below, all the residues with a color other than the main teal are 100% conserved.

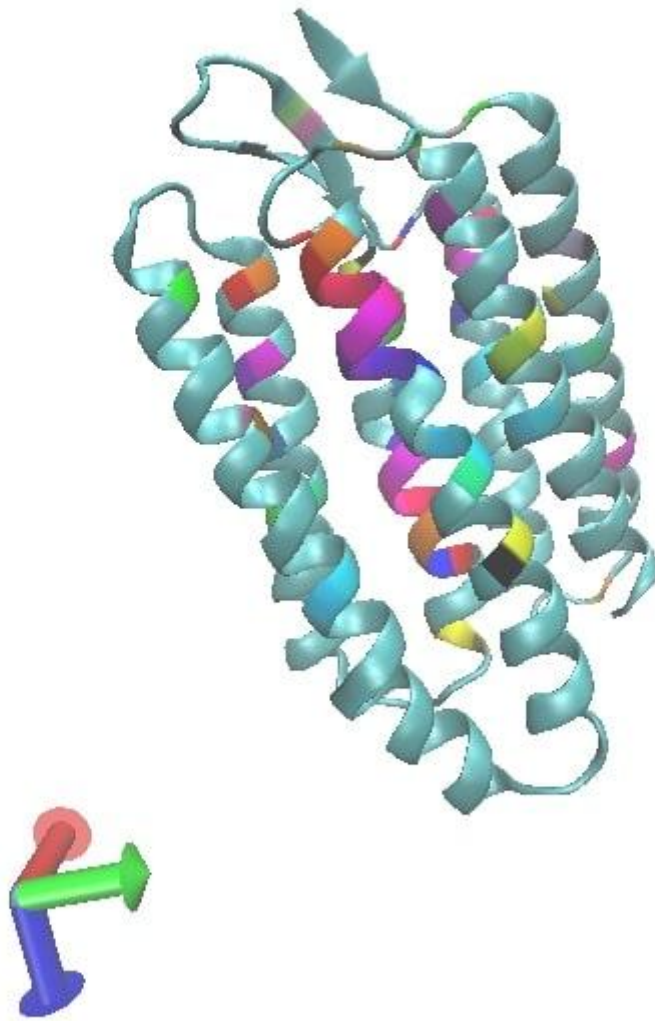


Image 1: VMD rendering of 6GHY, with 100% conserved residues (between the three hits) coloured by residue ID and represented in the licorice style, the rest of the protein is coloured teal and represented in the newCartoon style

Surprisingly, these residues are quite spread out, with no clear pattern, and some even existing in the loop region (a usually less conserved region). However, when the placing of the side chains of these residues is considered, most of them (though not all) are on the inside of the protein, where packing is tighter and the cofactor for bacteriorhodopsin and rhodopsin is found (at the center between the alpha helices). Both of these are expected to constrain change and so the conservation makes more sense in this light.

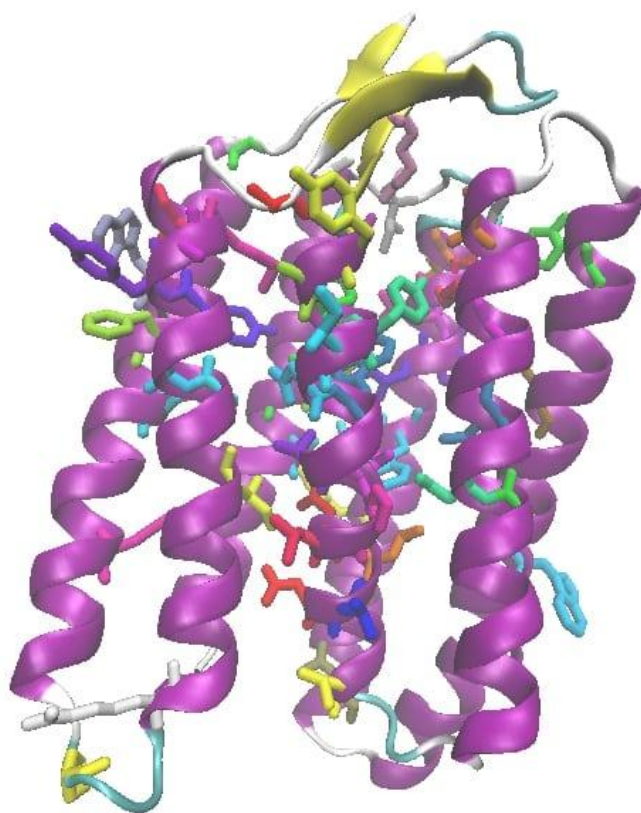
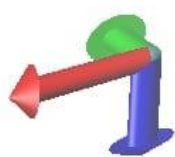


Image 2: VMD rendering of 6GHY, with 100% conserved residues (between the three hits) coloured by residue ID and represented in the licorice style, the rest of the protein is coloured by secondary structure and represented in the newCartoon style

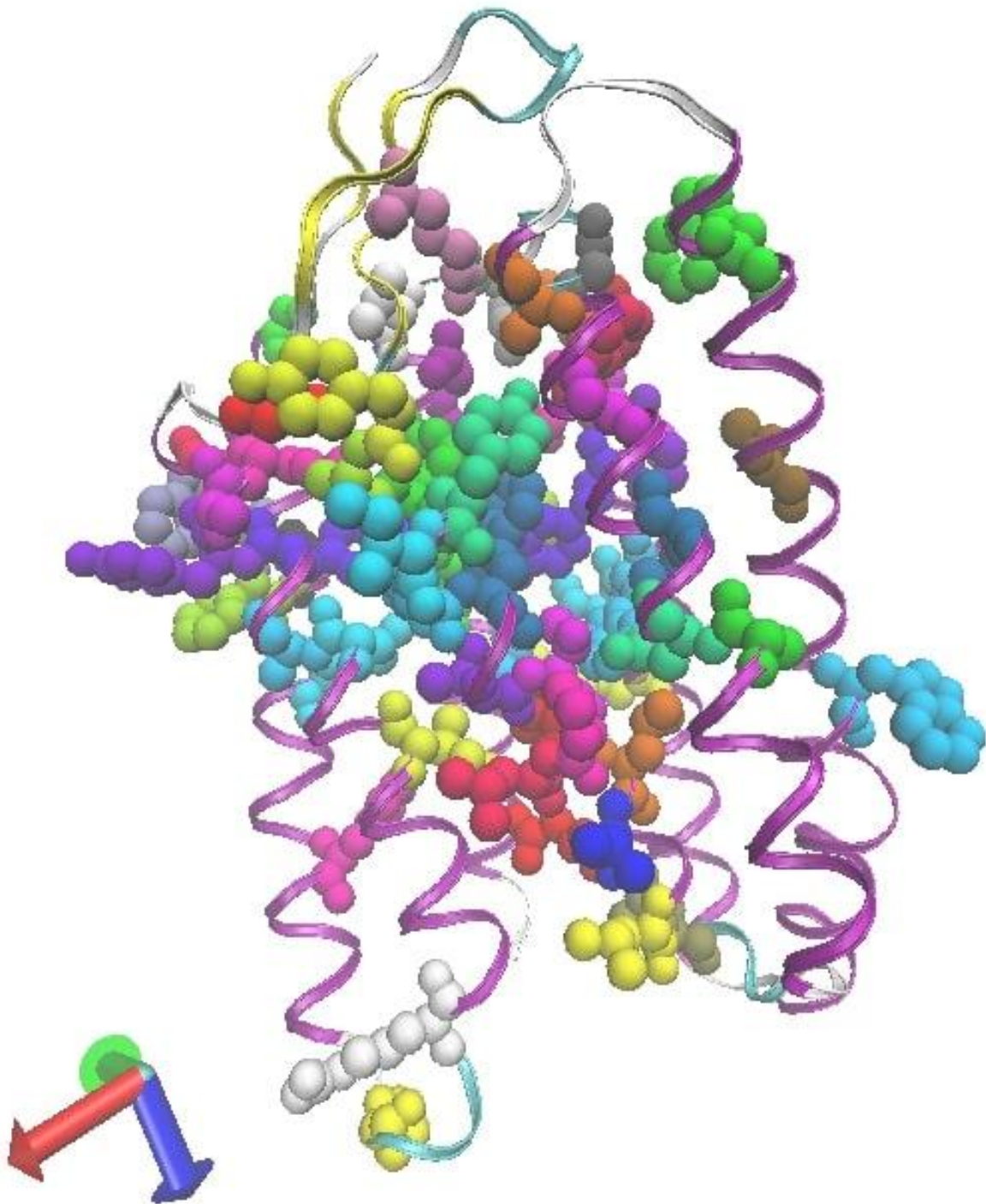
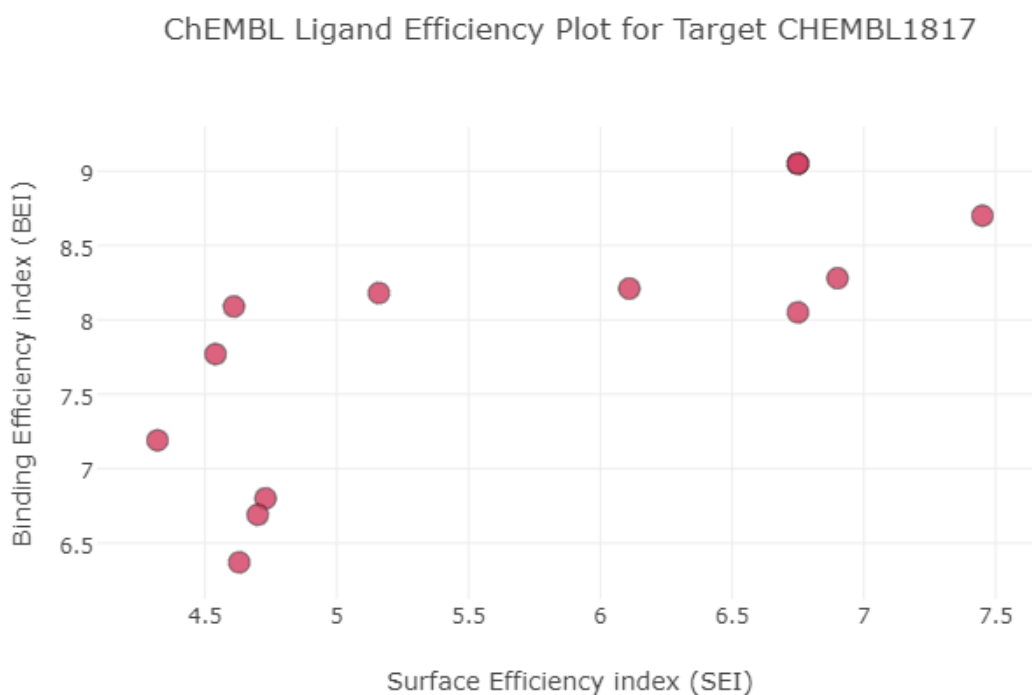


Image 3: VMD rendering of 6GHY, with 100% conserved residues (between the three hits) coloured by residue ID and represented in the VDW style, the rest of the protein is coloured by secondary structure and represented in the ribbon style. The size of the VDW spheres is enlarged for clarity.

Question 10:

The longer predicted ORF came up with 8 hits, however, the top one has an e value of 0.24, and the rest all have e values greater than 1. They are therefore, not very reliable hits. The top hit with the e value of 0.24 is an Erythropoietin receptor with ID ChEMBL1817. It has 9 drug and clinical candidates associated with it,

and bioactivity assays data is present in the profile (binding, inhibition, IC50 etc). Furthermore, there are 36 compounds tested for ligand efficiency (see figure below) and 61 compounds are associated with it. However, while these may provide a useful starting point for investigation of the novel protein, it is unlikely given that the e value for this hit does not make the significance threshold.



Plot 6: Ligand Efficiency Plot from ChEMBL