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Discovery of novel enzymes for the valorization of algal biomass:
from genomes of marine bacteria to blue biotechnology

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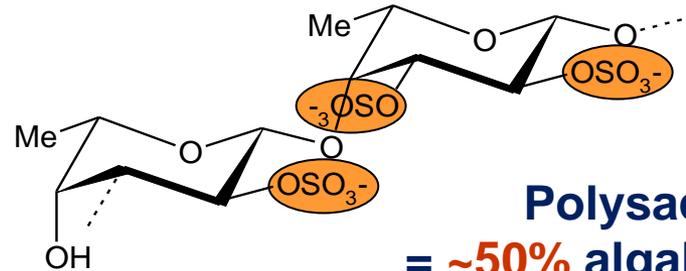


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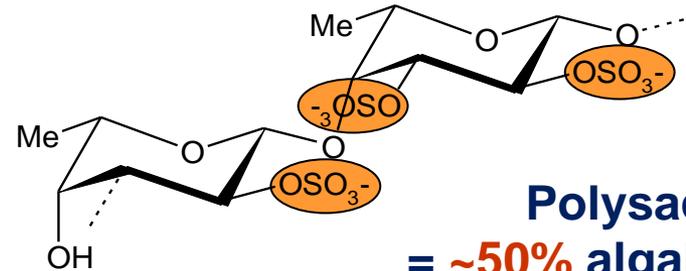
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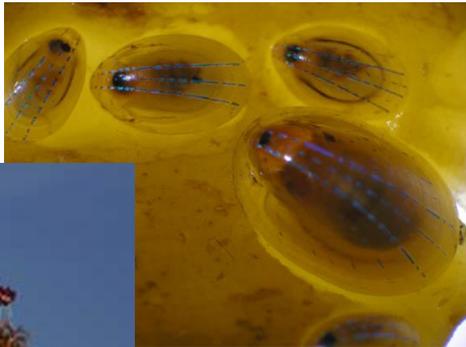
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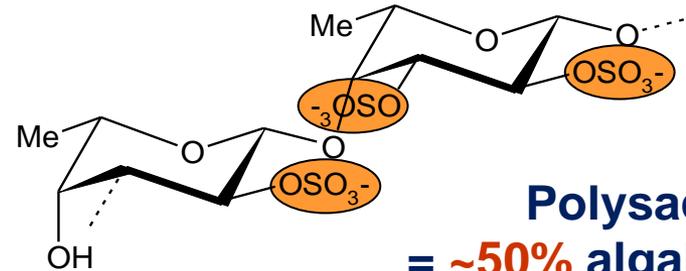


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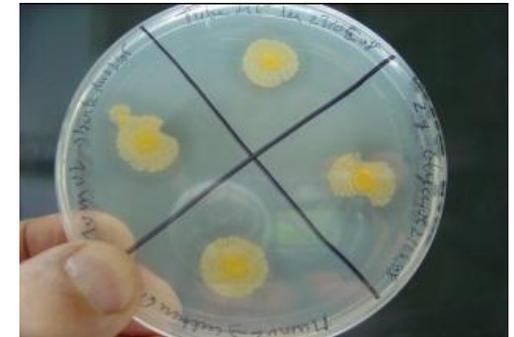
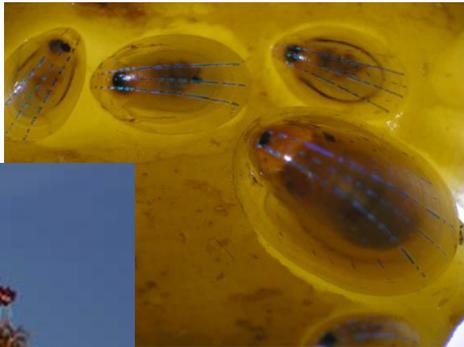


Support the coastal food webs:
from marine herbivorous animals
to human activities
(sea vegetables, hydrocolloids)

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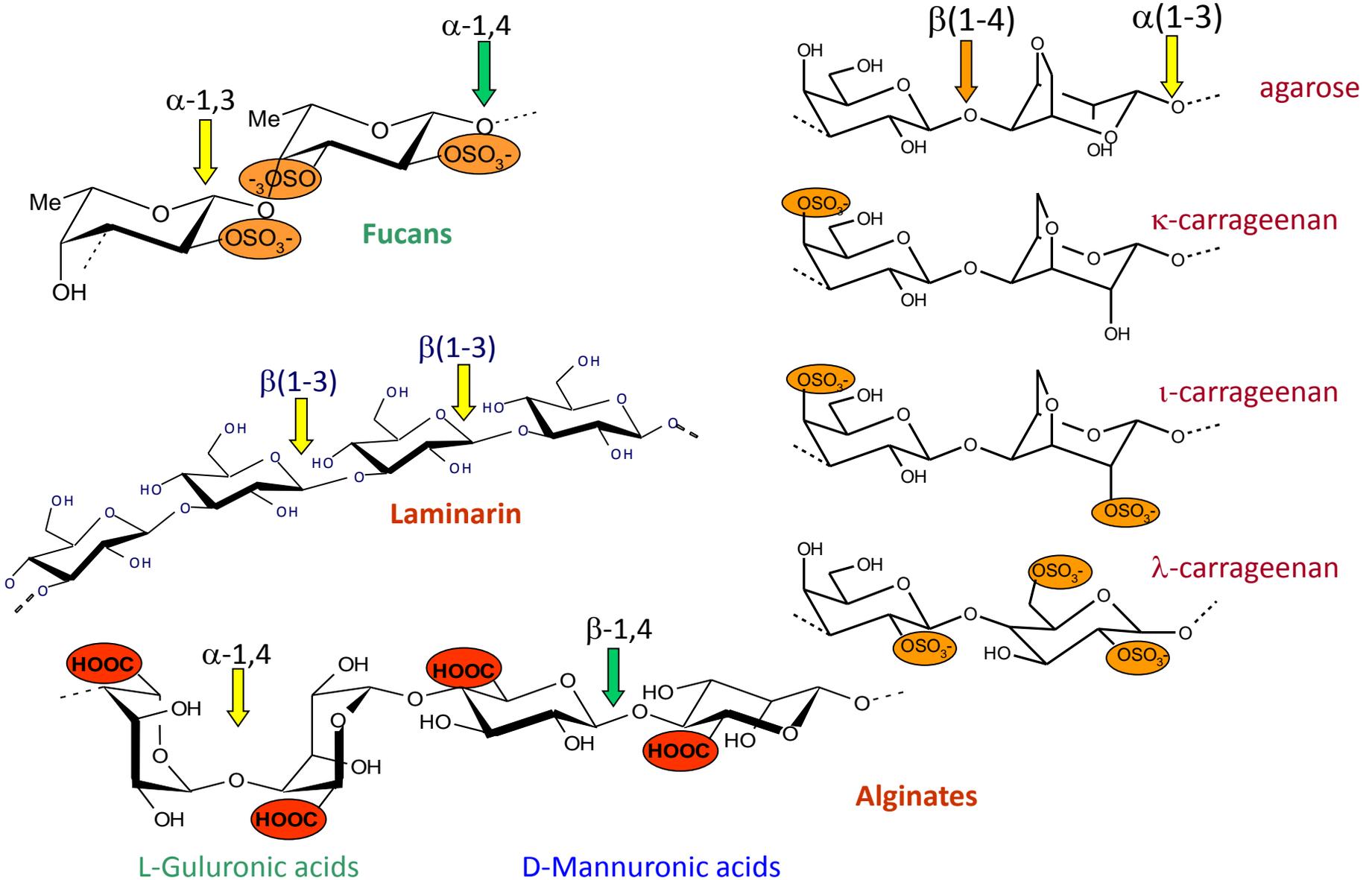


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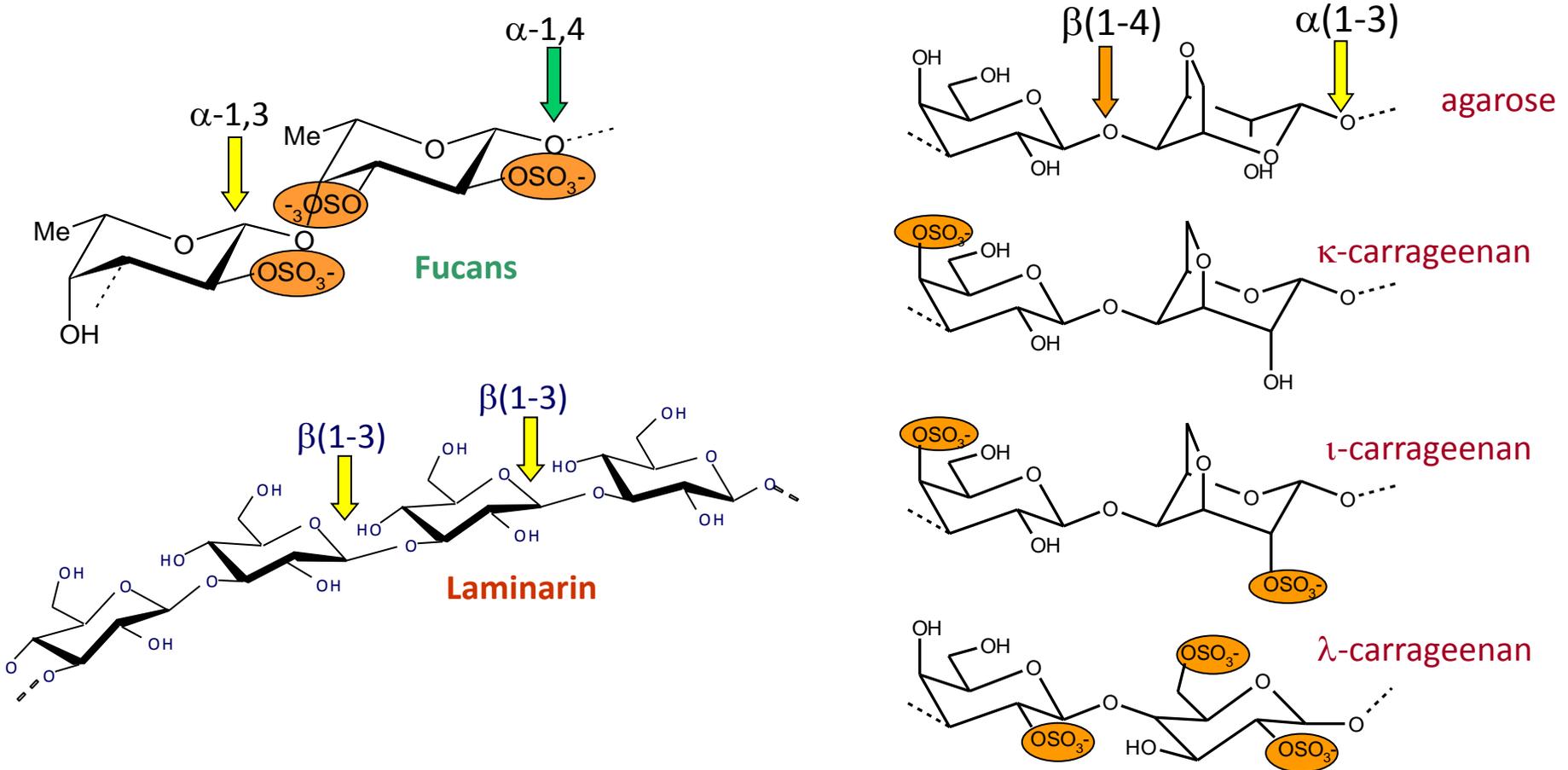


Marine heterotrophic bacteria:
key players in the recycling of algal biomass

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Huge chemical diversity

→ Algal **sulfated** polysaccharides have no equivalent in land plants

→ Diversity of the enzymes involved in their **biosynthesis** and their **biodegradation**

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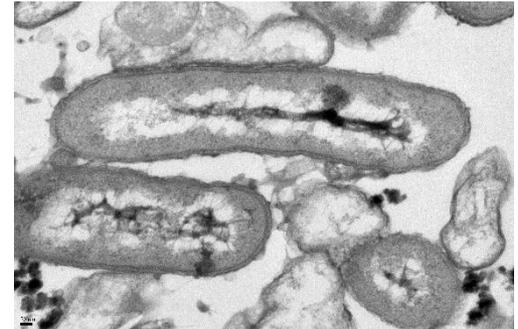


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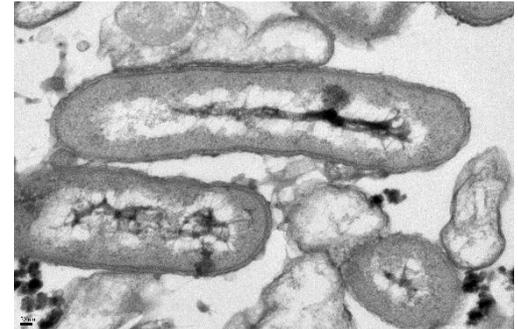
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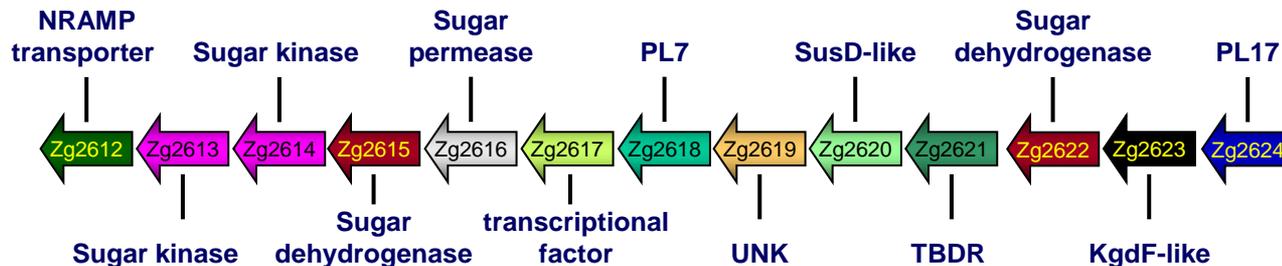
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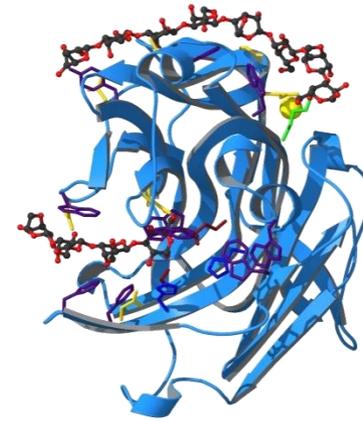
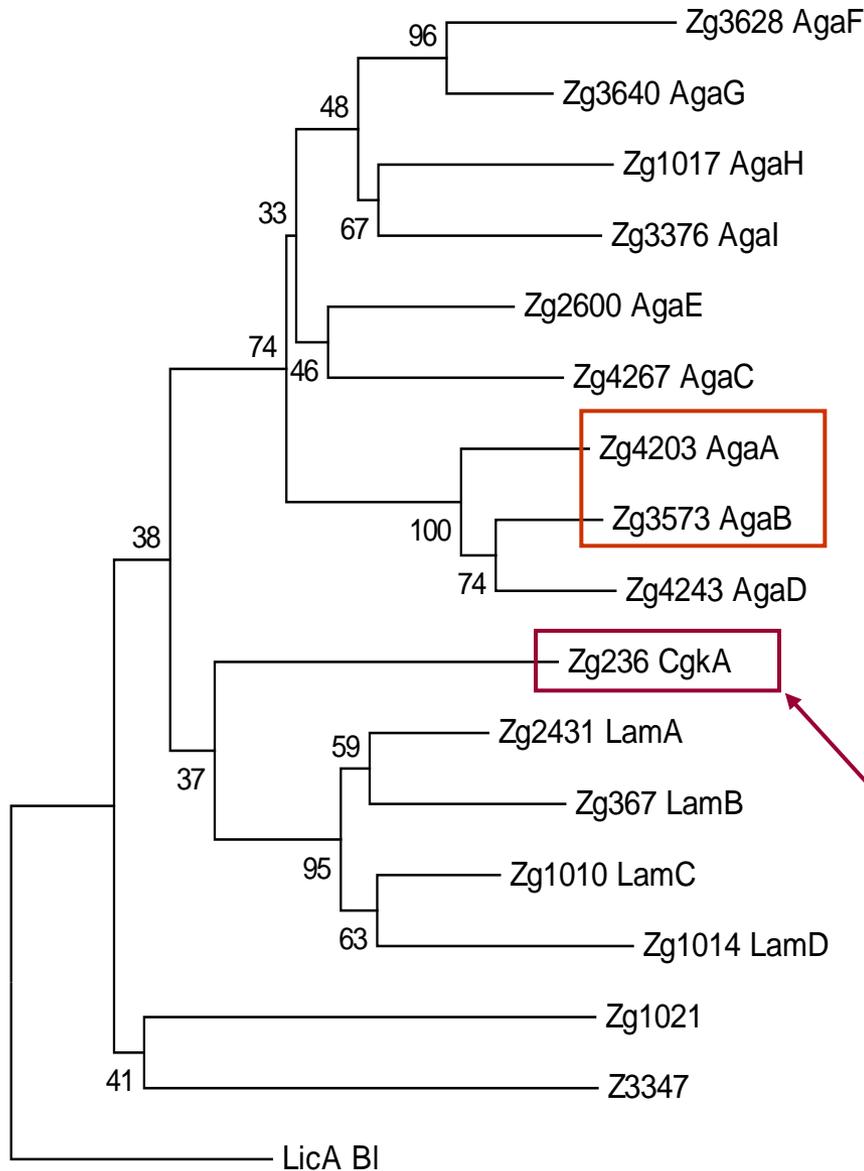
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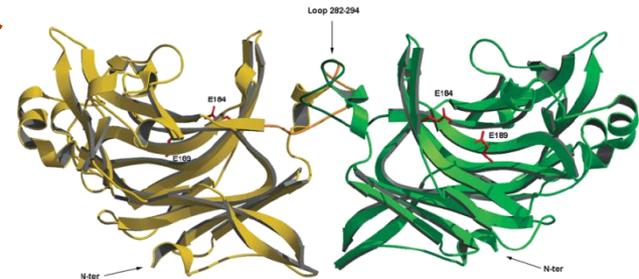


Phylogenetic tree of the GH16 family from *Zobellia*



AgaA

Allouch et al, (2003) *JBC* & (2004) *Structure*

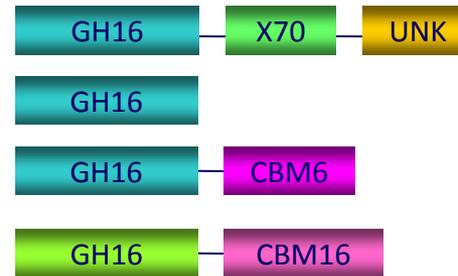
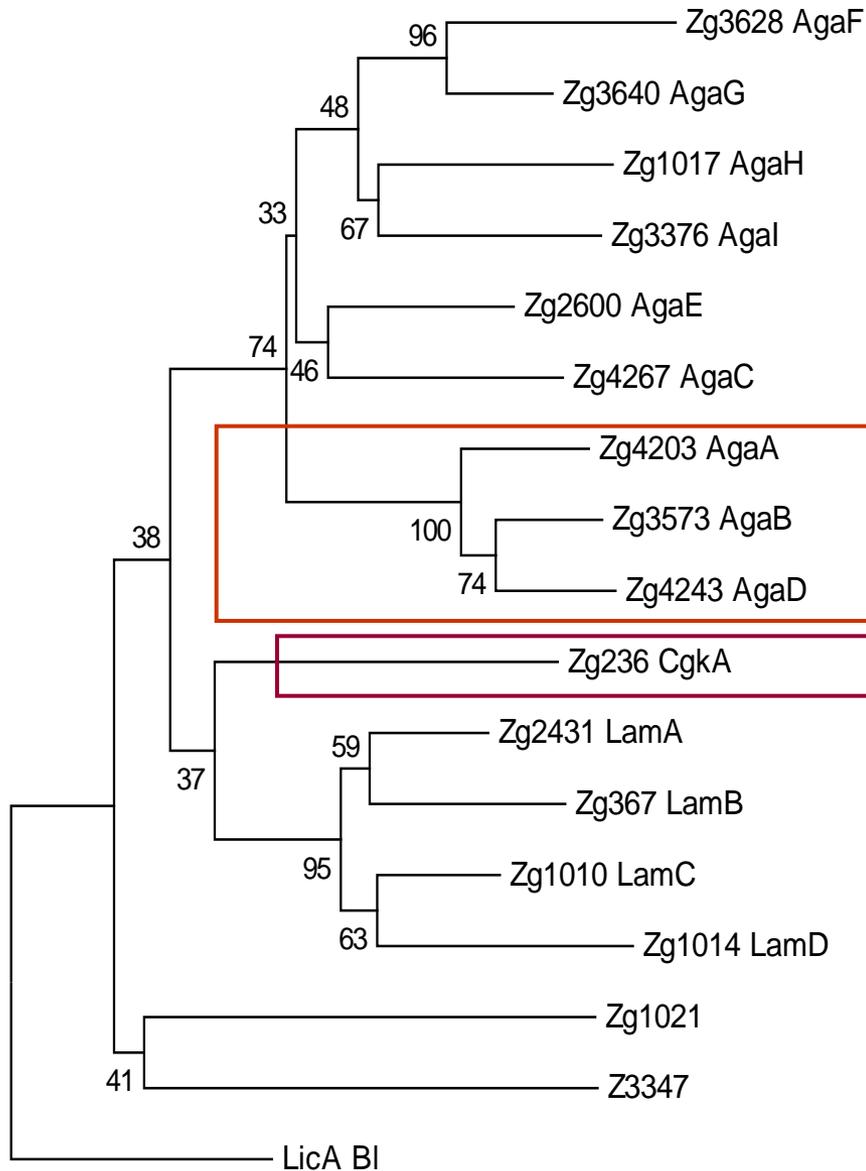


AgaB

Jam et al (2005) *Biochem J*

Barbeyron et al (1998)
Mol Biol Evol

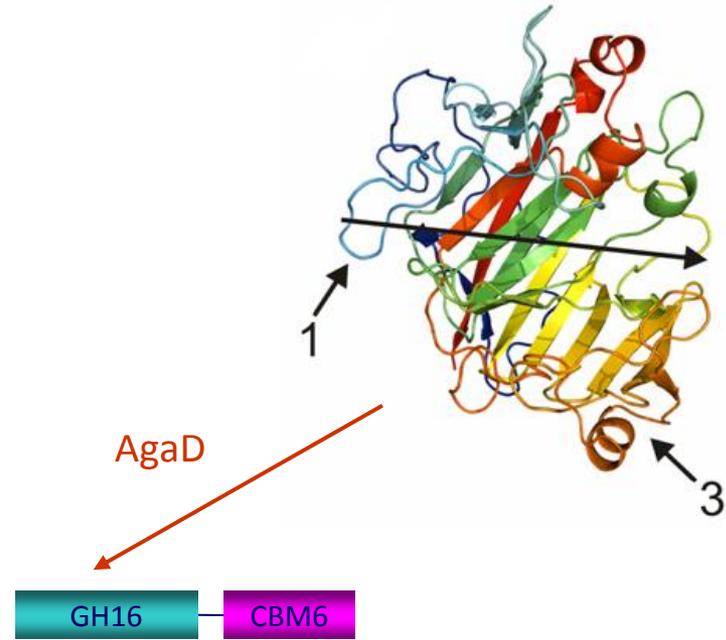
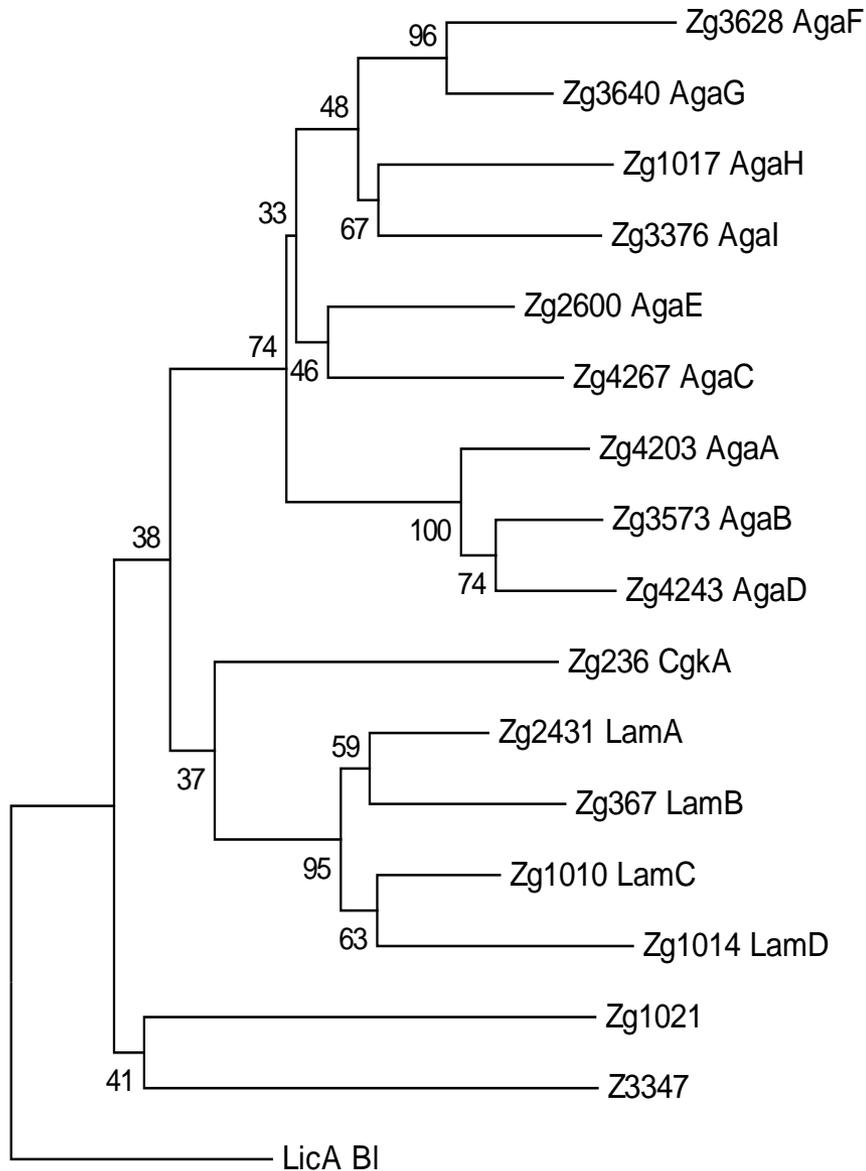
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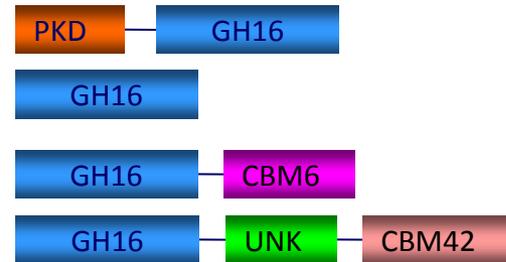
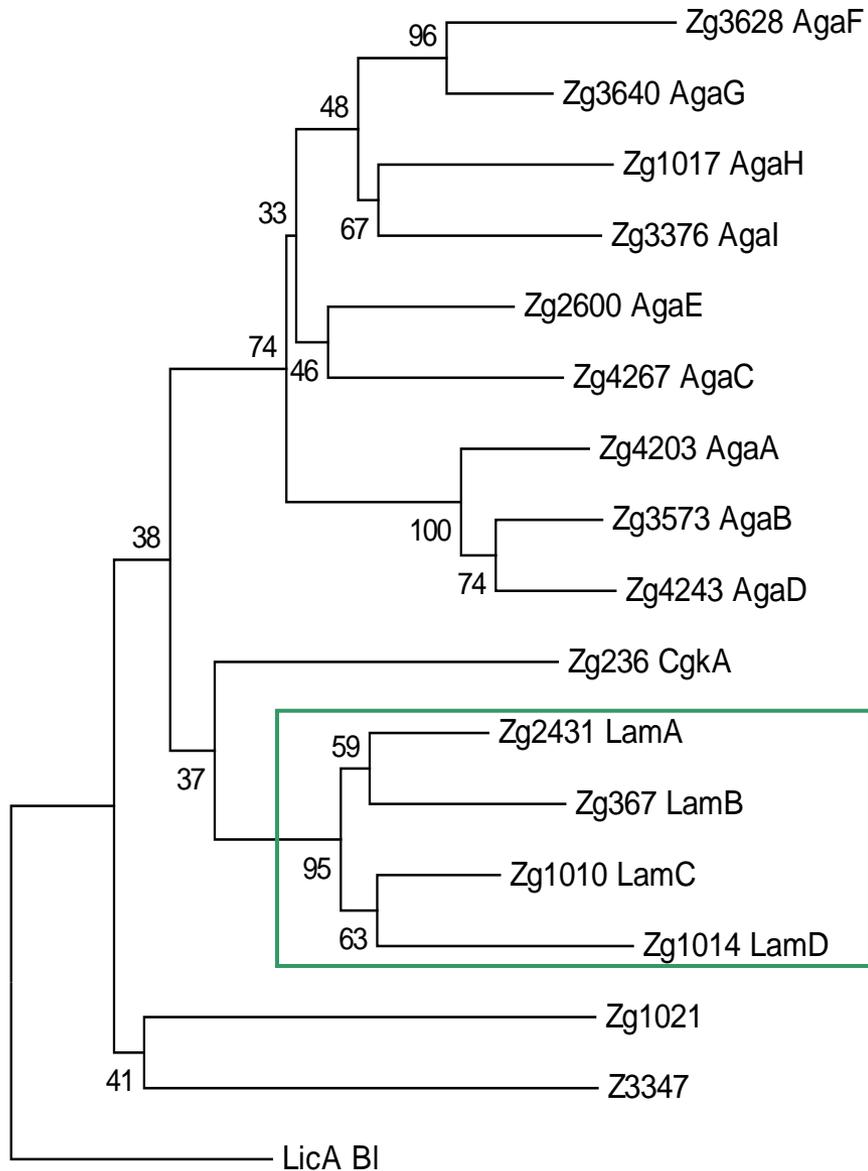
κ -carrageenases

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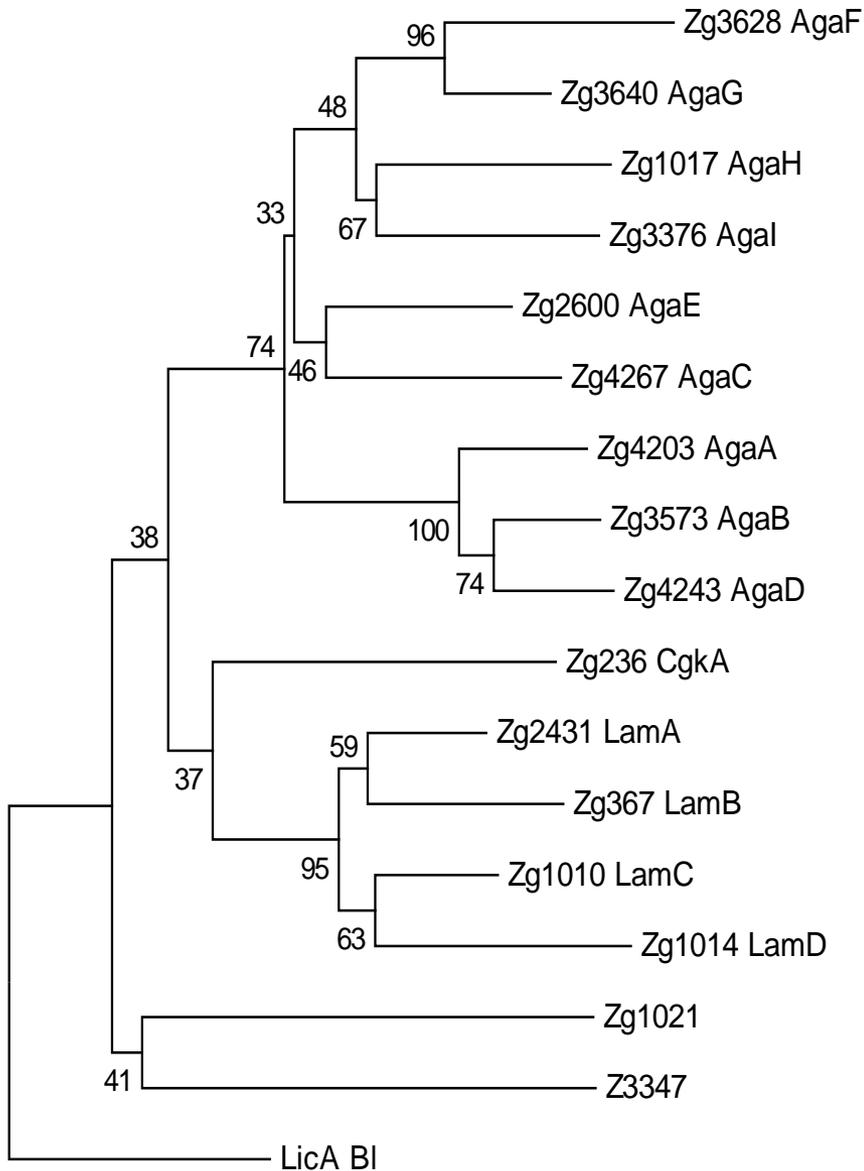
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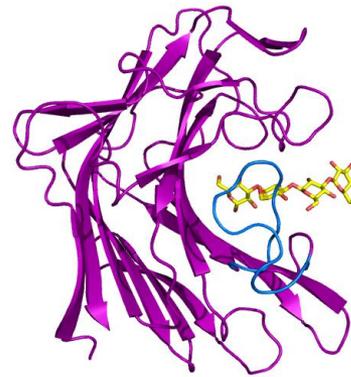
Laminarinases

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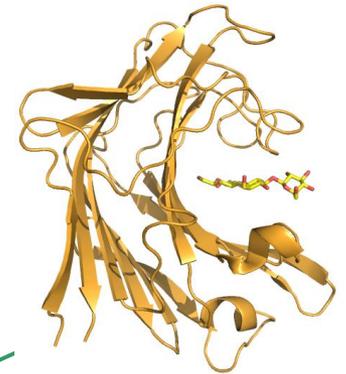
LamA_GH16



Labourel et al (2015)

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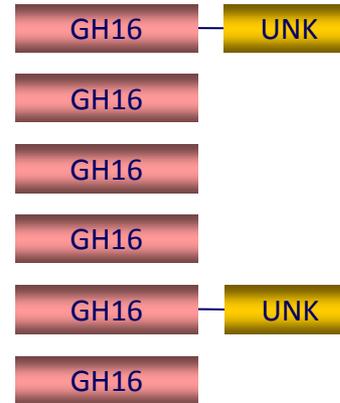
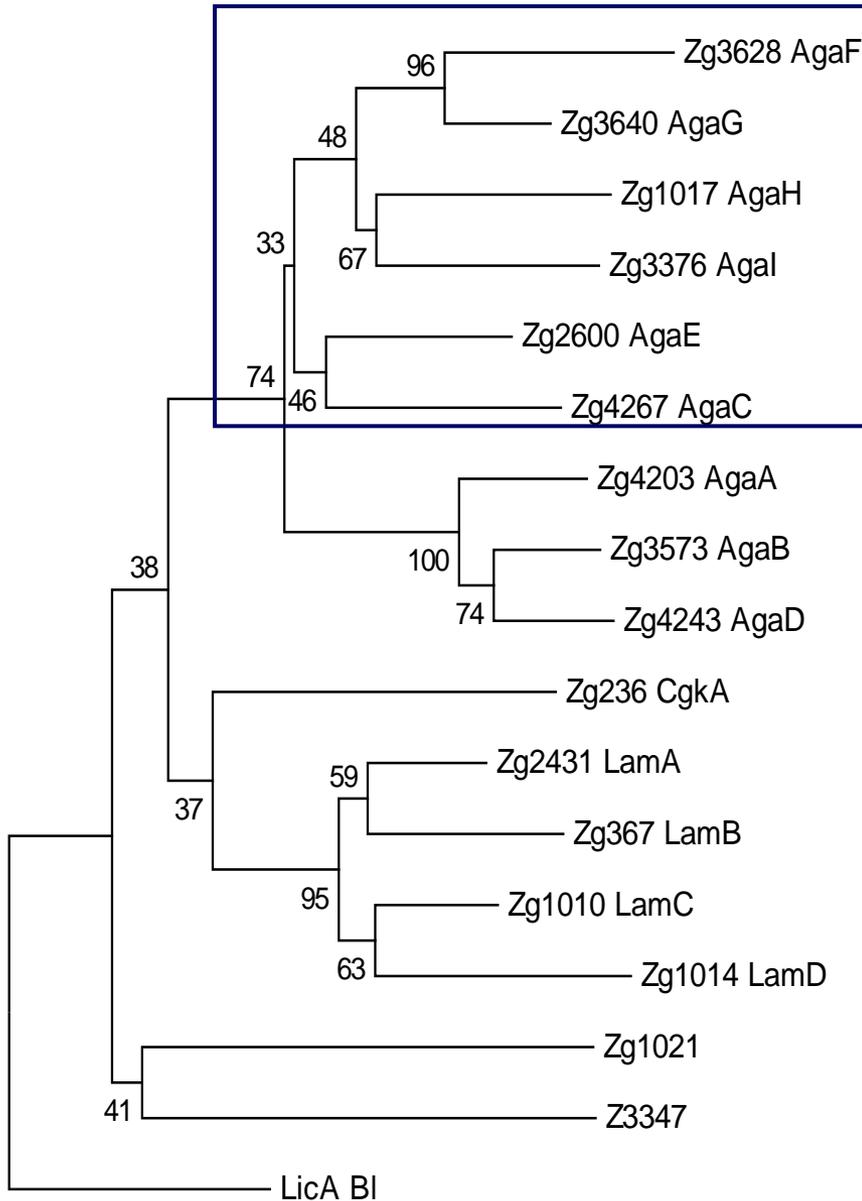
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LamC_CBM6

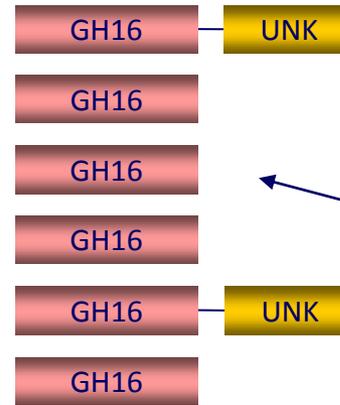
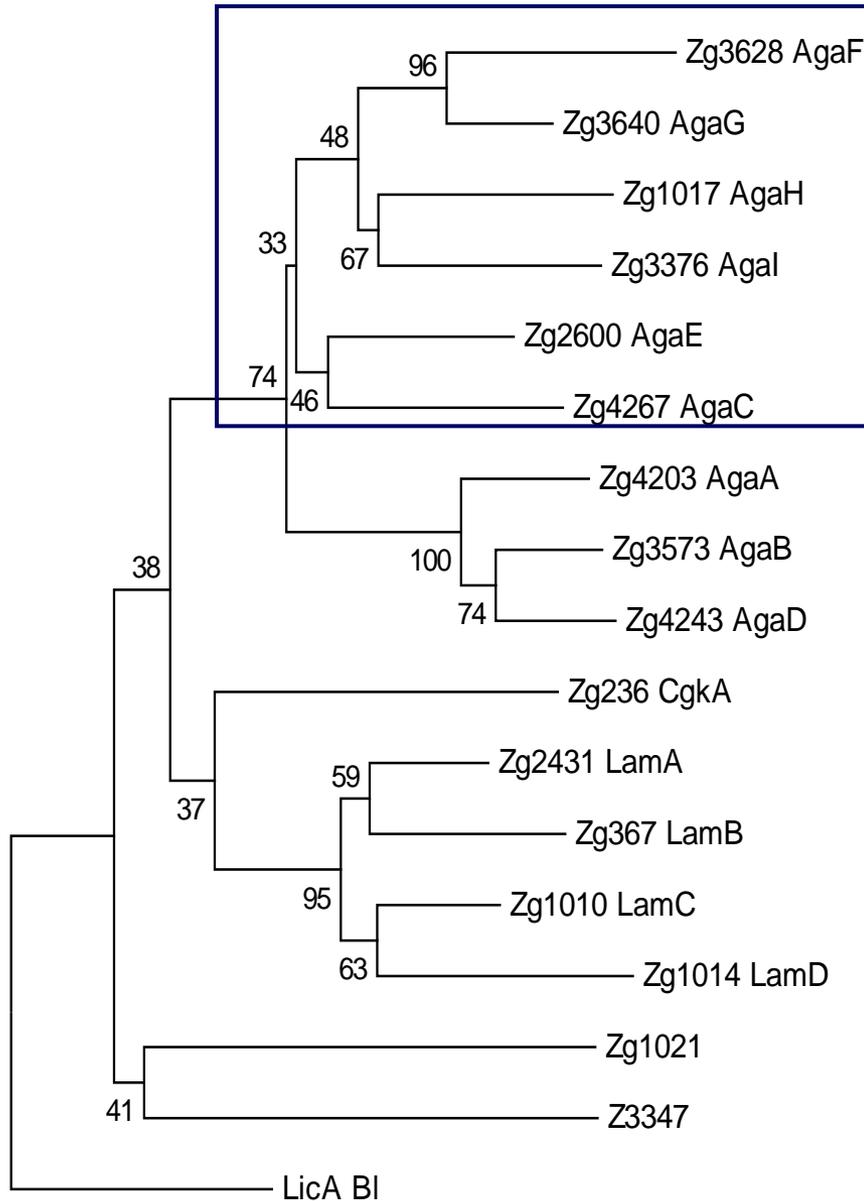
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A new sub-family
of GH16 ?

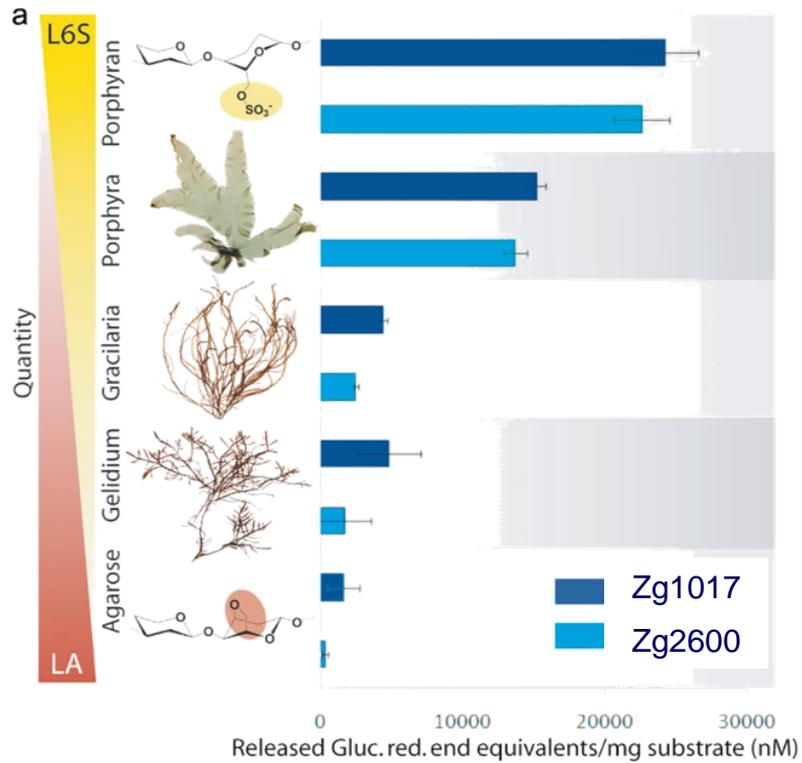
~25% identity with
AgaA and CgkA

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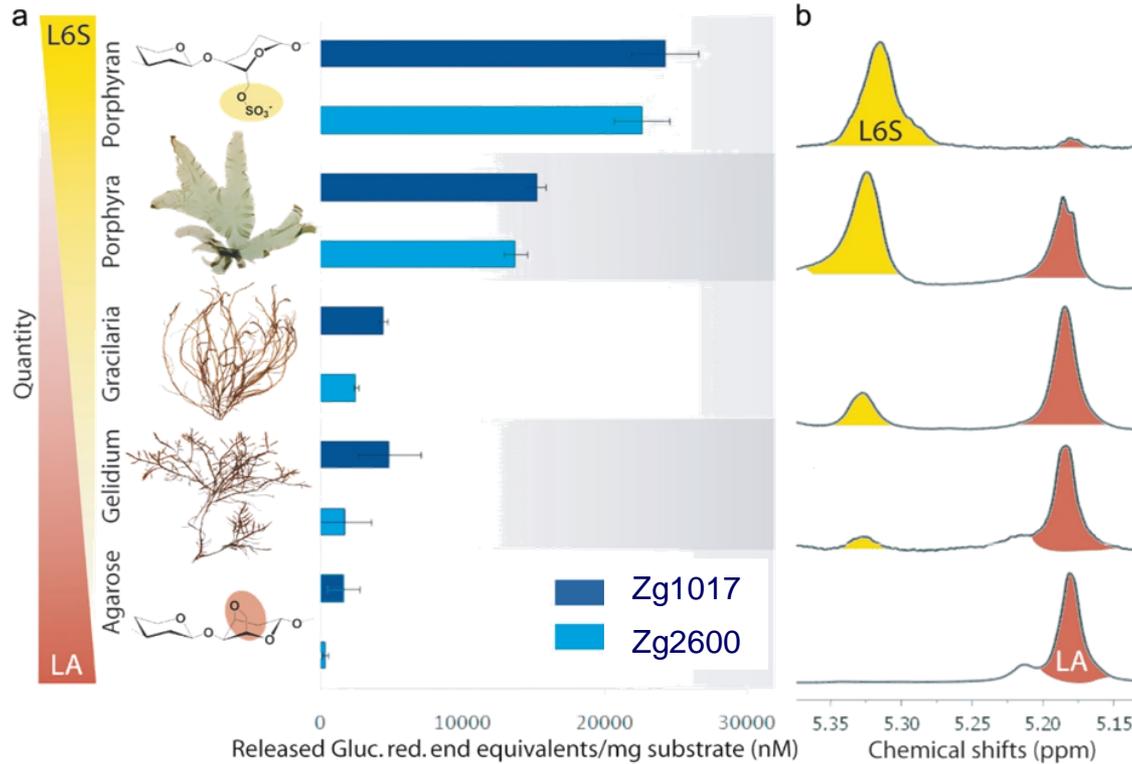
Overexpression of
Zg1017 & Zg2600

Activity screening on cell wall extracts from seaweeds

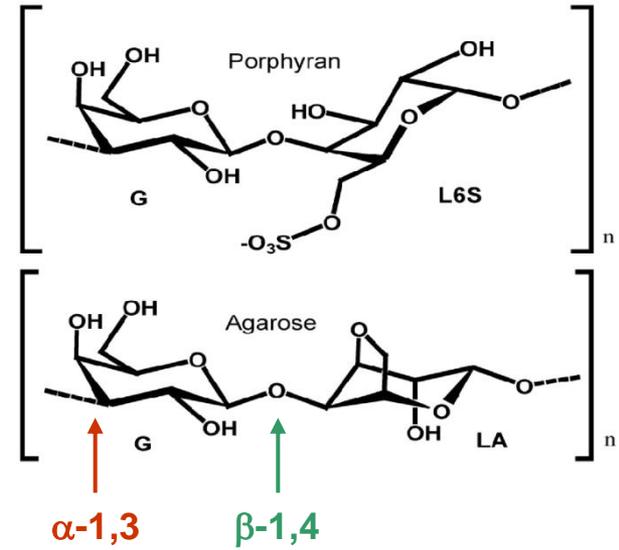


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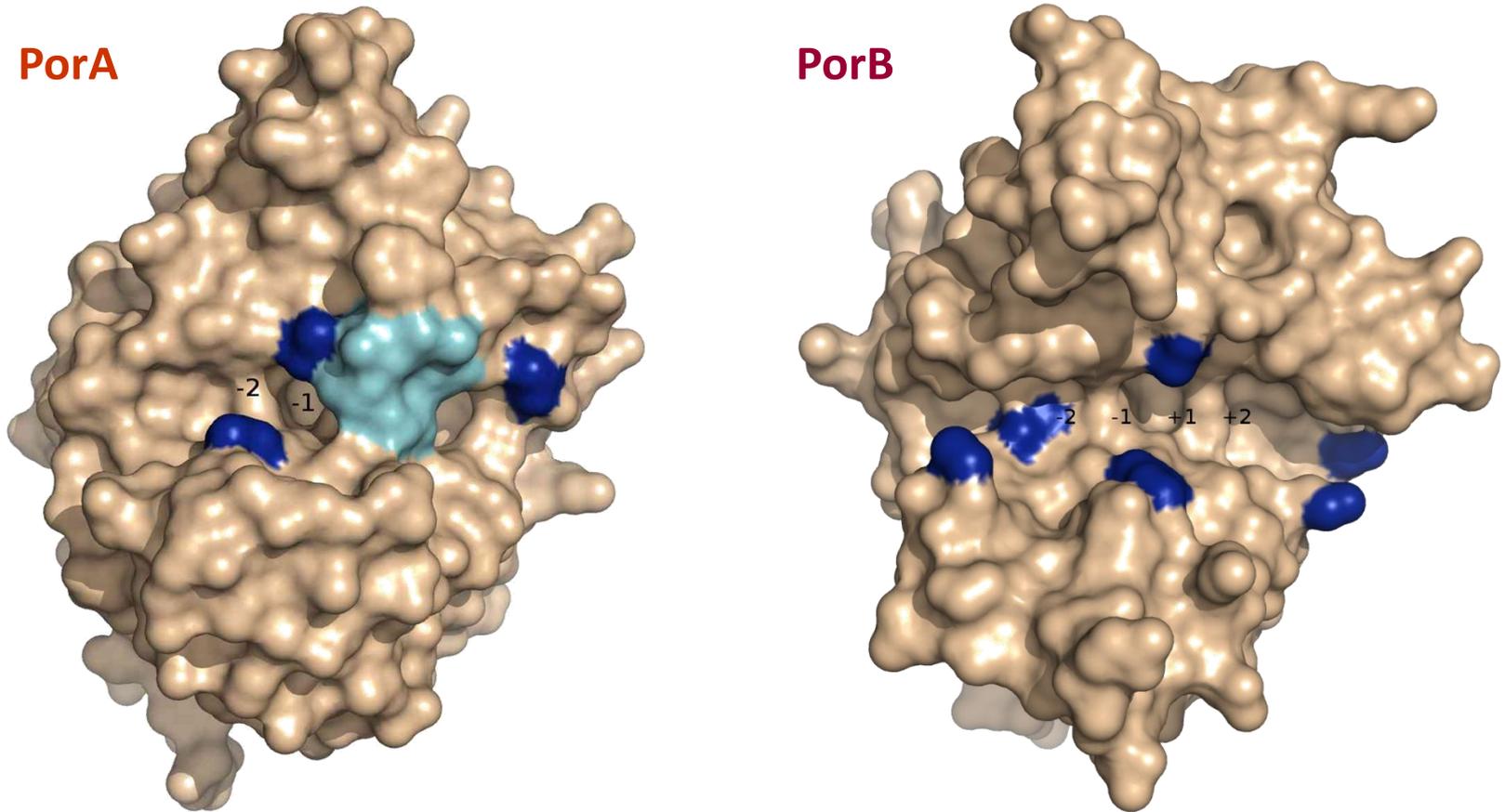
L6S = L-galactose-6-sulfate
LA = 3,6-anhydro-L-galactose



- Inactive on agarose and carrageenans
- Main end product: **Porphyran disaccharide (L6S-G)**
- Hydrolysis of **beta-1,4** glycosidic linkage

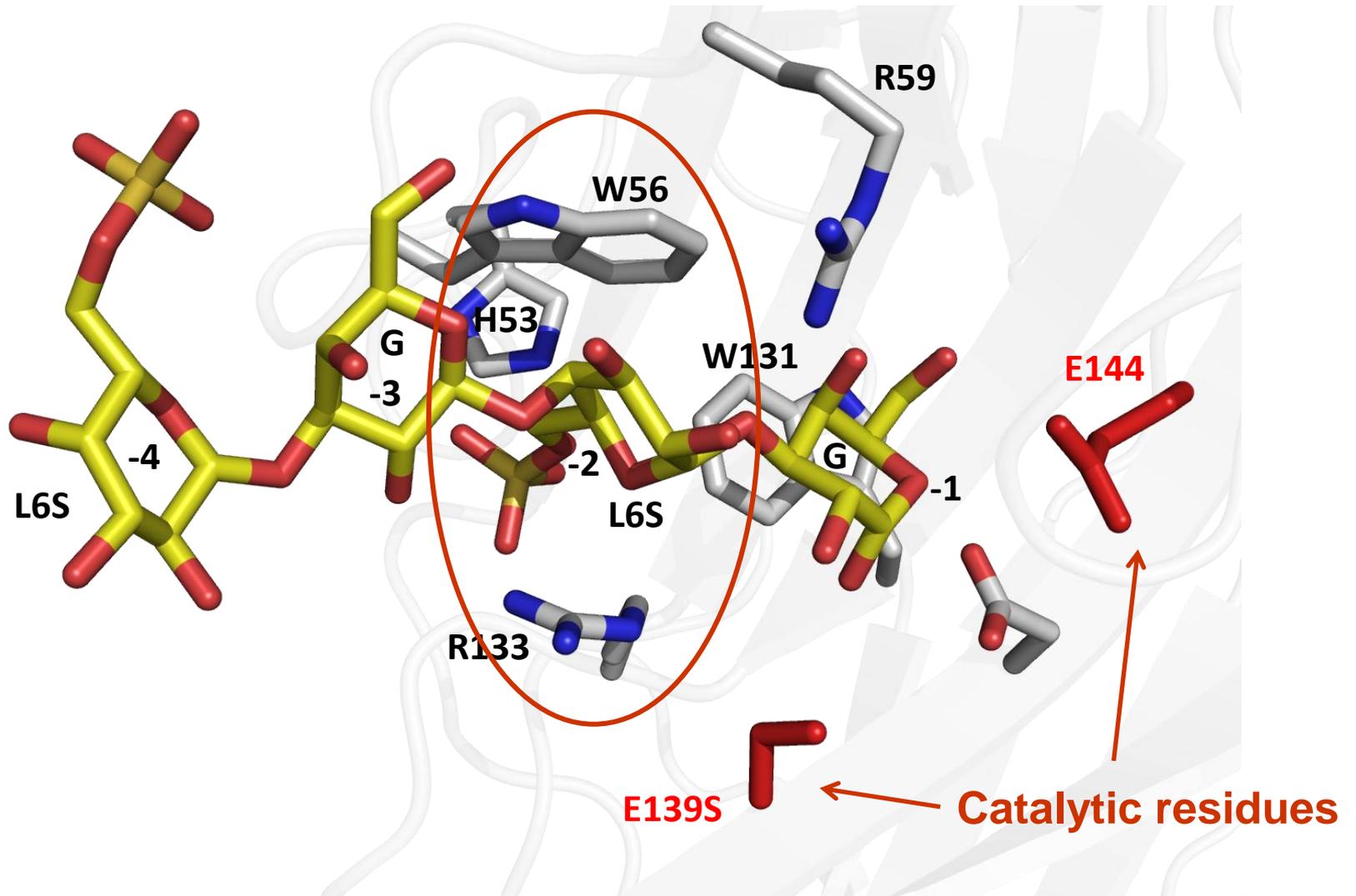
Zg2600 (PorA) et Zg1017 (PorB) are the first beta-porphyranases

Crystal structure of the β -porphyranases PorA and PorB



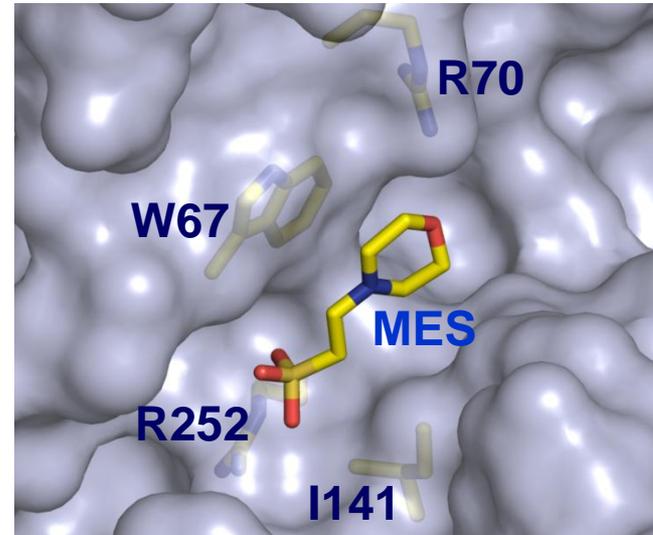
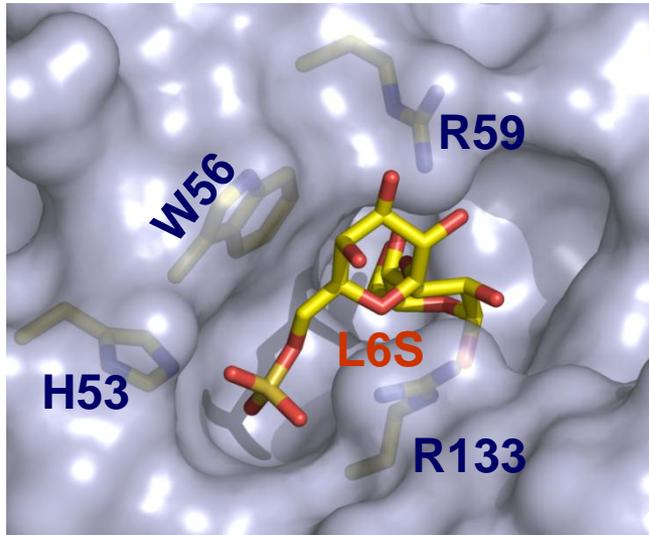
Molecular surface (Basic residues are colored in dark blue)

Structure of PorA in complex with porphyran tetrasaccharide



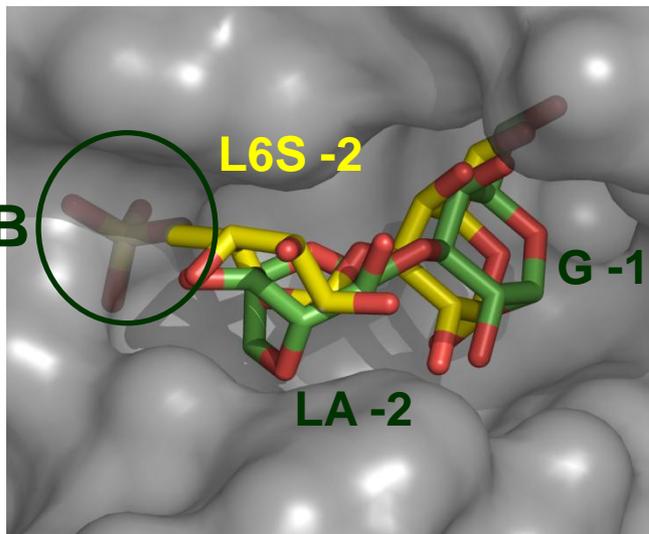
Conserved basic residues at subsite -2 are critical for porphyrin recognition

PorA



PorB

AgaB



No pocket in β -agarases:
Steric clash with **L6S** at subsite -2
→ agarases **cannot degrade**
porphyrin

Hehemann et al (2010) **Nature**

Discovery of a new GH family in *Zobellia*

- 5 paralogous proteins **distantly related to GH43** (~15% sequence identity)
- Always localized in gene clusters with **CAZymes** and **sulfatases**

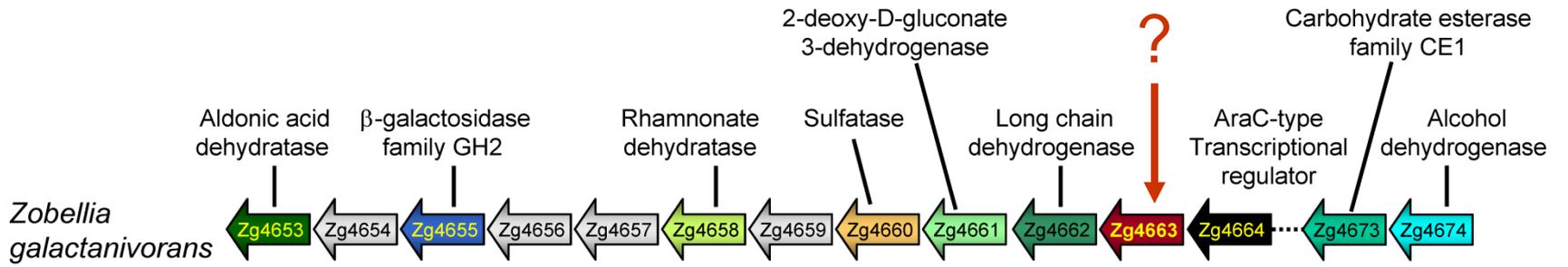
Hypothesis: new GH specific for algal sulfated polysaccharides?

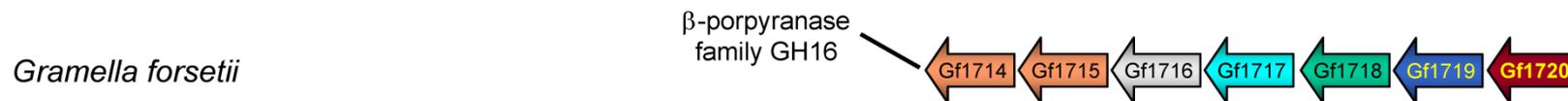
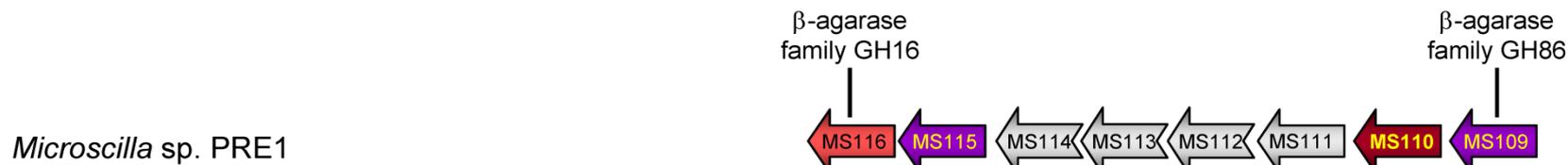
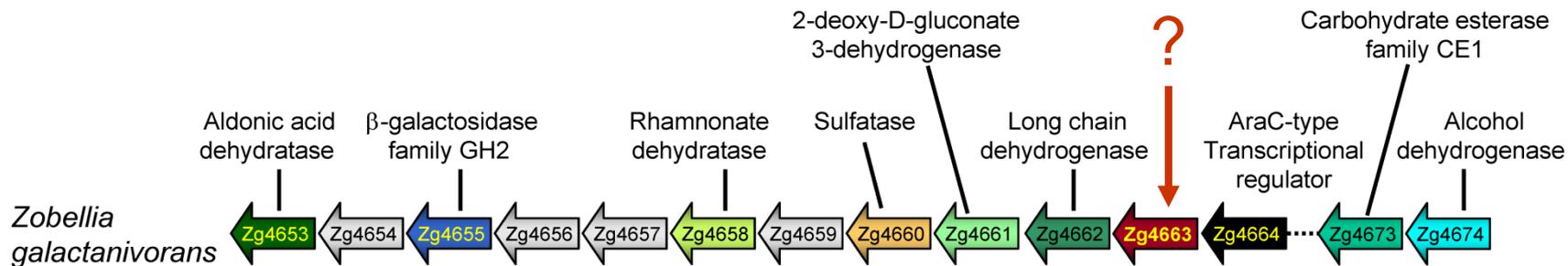
- **Zg3597** and **Zg4663**: soluble expressed in the MARINE-EXPRESS project
(Groisillier et al, 2010, Molecular Cell Factories)
- Purification and crystallization of **Zg3597** and **Zg4663**
- **Reducing sugar activity screening** on our collection of algal polysaccharides and cell wall extracts

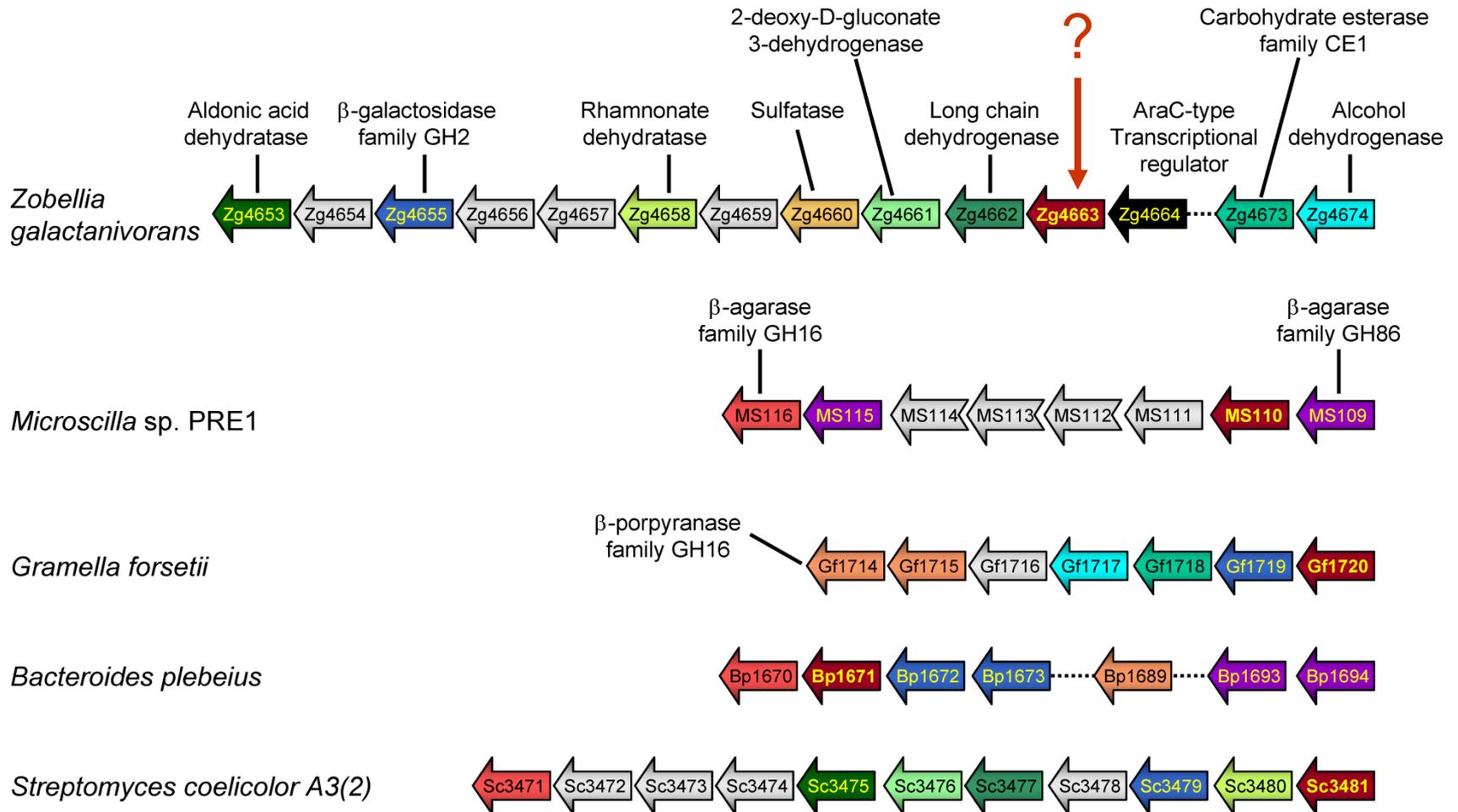
Unsuccessful...





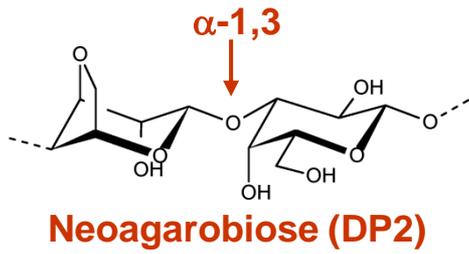




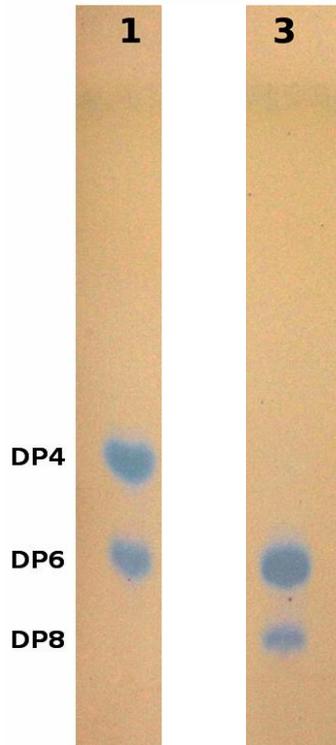


Surrounded by β -agarases, β -porphyranases and β -galactosidases

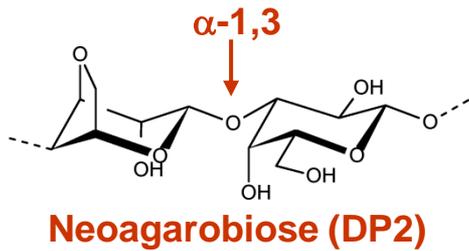
→ Zg4663: a α -1,3-galactosidase specific for agarocolloids?



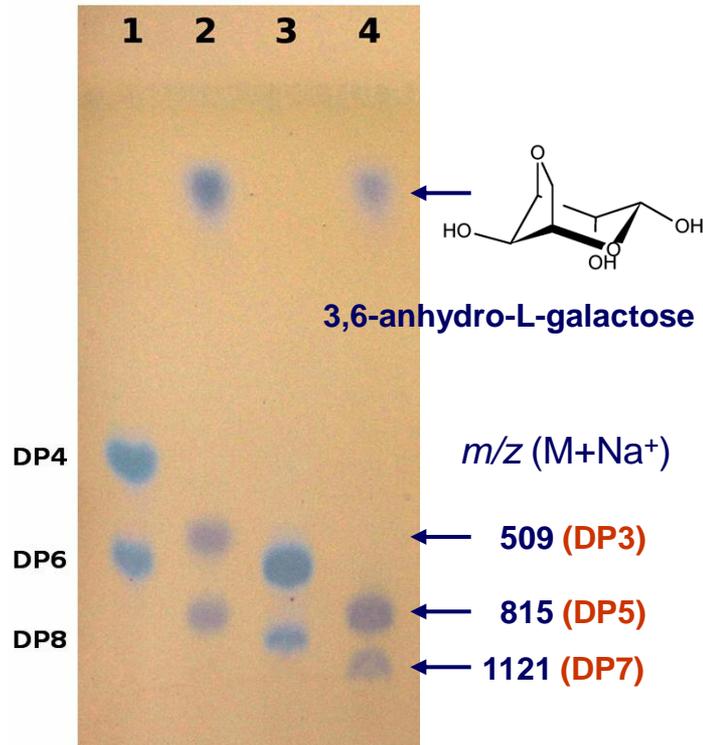
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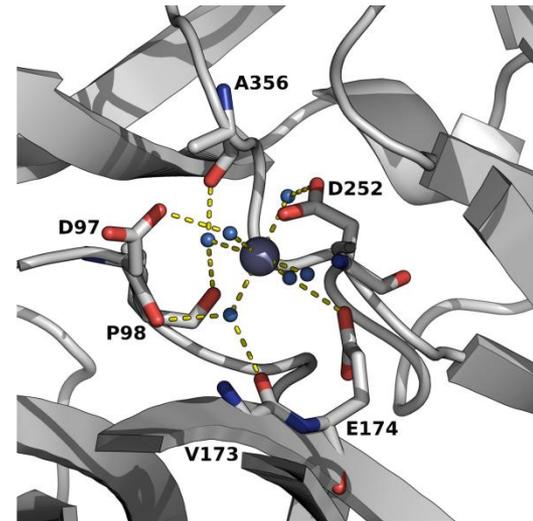
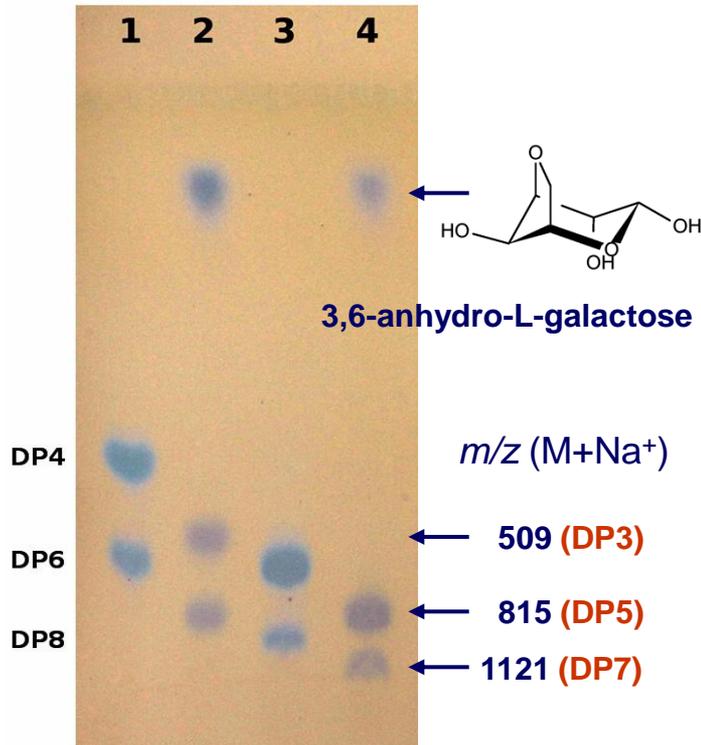
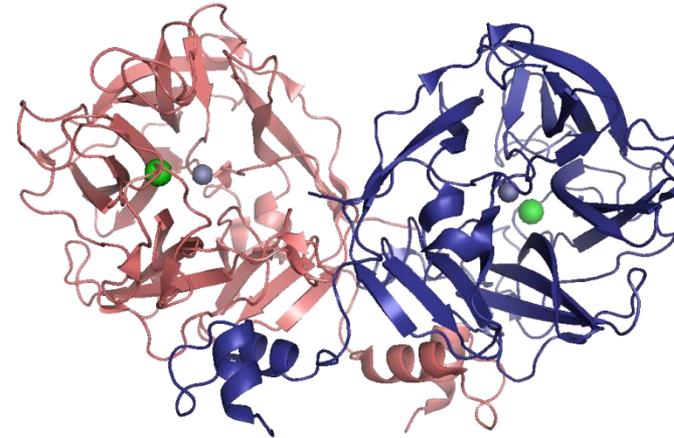
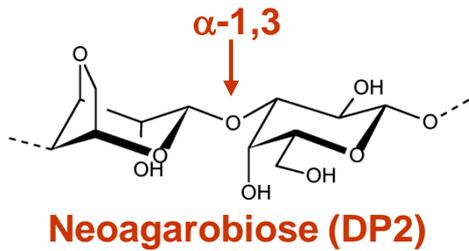


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Lane 2 and 4: addition of **Zg4663**

Size of the products determined by mass spectrometry (MALDI-TOF)

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- Adopts a **five-bladed β -propeller** fold and forms a **dimer** by **domain swapping**
- Displays a **zinc-dependent** catalytic machinery

Rebuffet et al (2011) **Environmental Microbiology**

Zobellia genome contains 7 putative alginate lyases



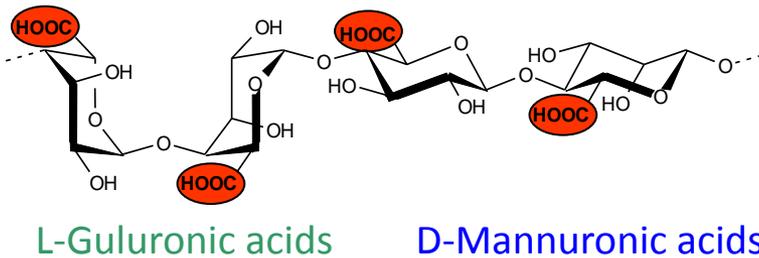
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CAZy family	PL5	PL6	PL7	PL14	PL15	PL17	PL18
<i>Z. galactanivorans</i> enzymes	-	AlyA4 AlyA6	AlyA1 AlyA2 AlyA5	AlyA7	Zg4327	AlyA3	-



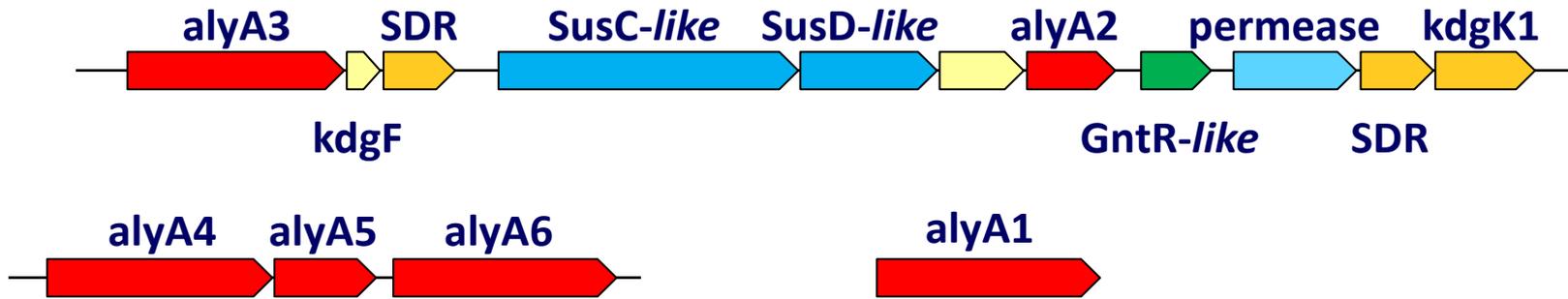
Different specificities?

Different modes of action?

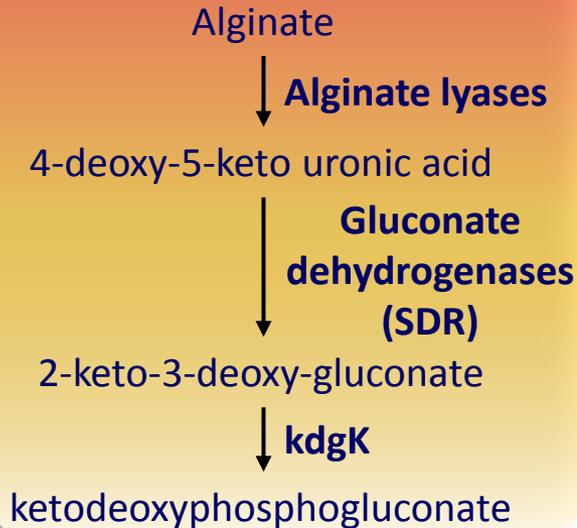
Different biological functions?



Alginate-related gene clusters?



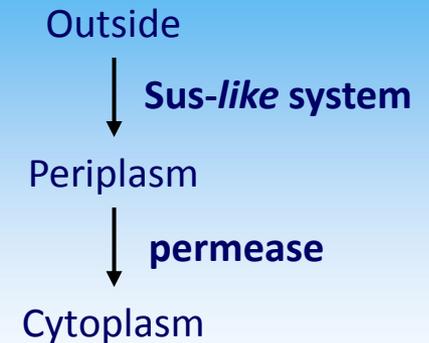
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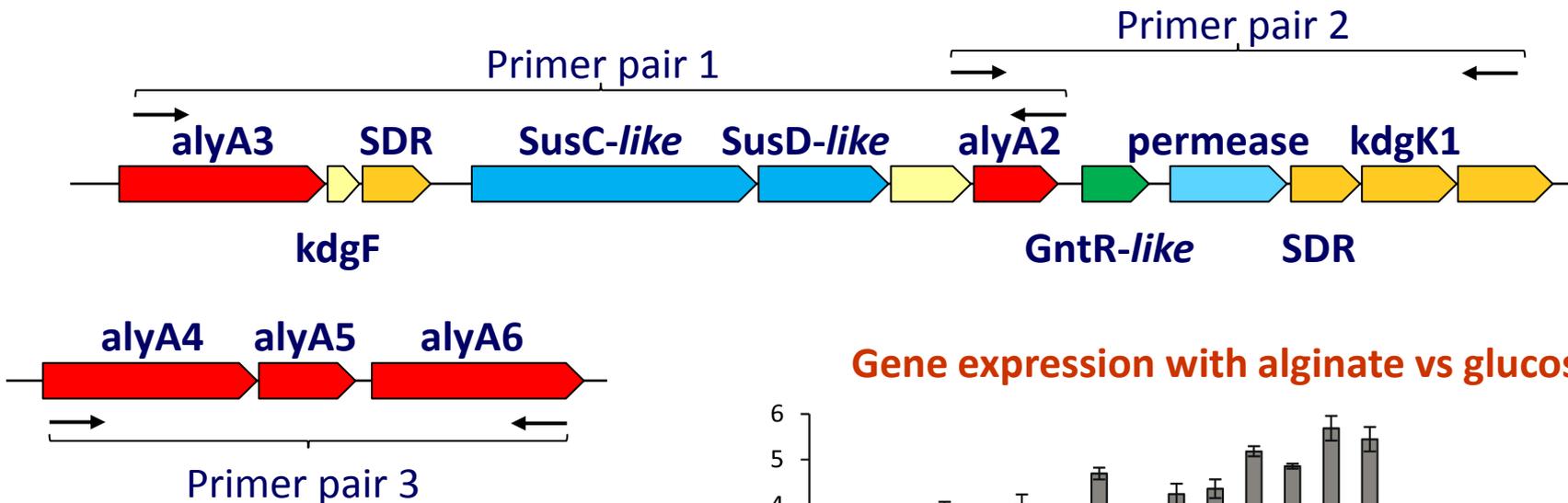
Regulation

GntR-like
transcription regulator

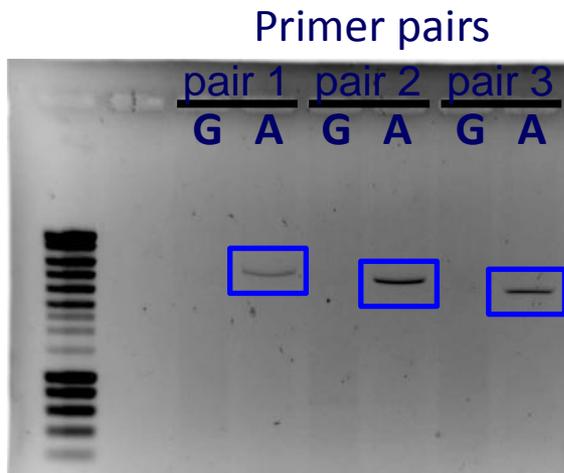
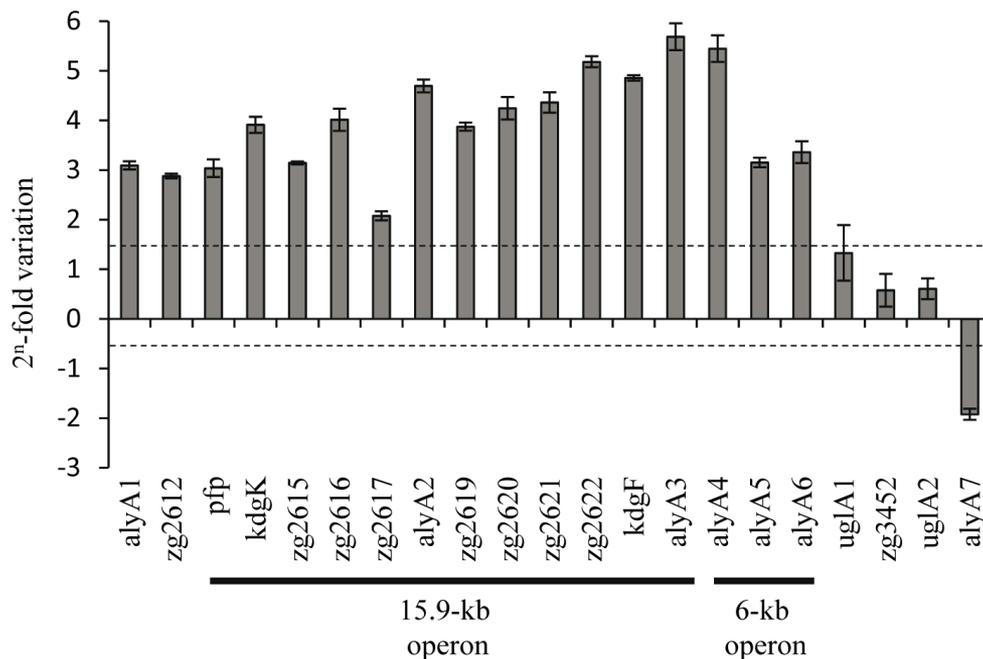
Transport



Identification of two alginolytic operons!



Gene expression with alginate vs glucose



G : glucose

A : alginate

Characterization of alginate-responsive genes



Medium-throughput cloning strategy



Recombinant, soluble proteins

Confirmation of the **enzymatic activity**
for **6 new proteins** from *Z. galactanivorans*

- *Alginate lyases: AlyA1, AlyA4, AlyA5 and AlyA7*
- *2-dehydro-3-deoxygluconokinase: Zg2614*
- *2-dehydro-3-deoxy-D-gluconate
6-dehydrogenase: Zg2622*

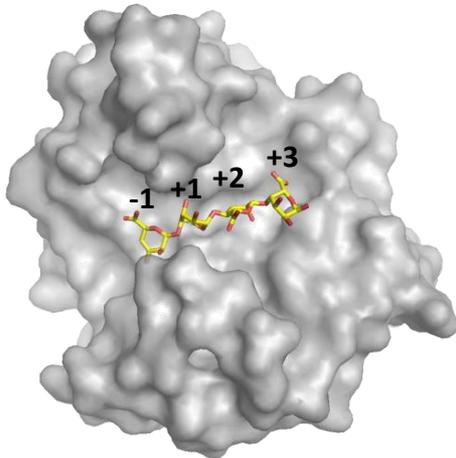
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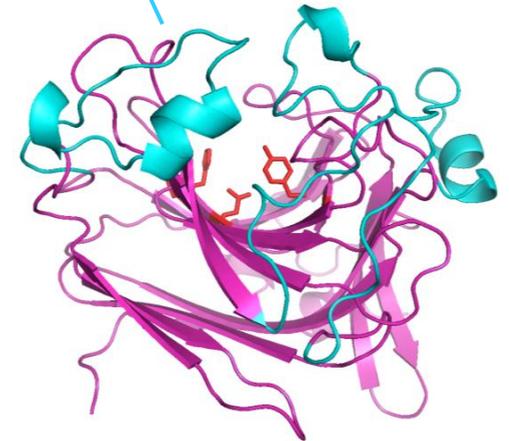
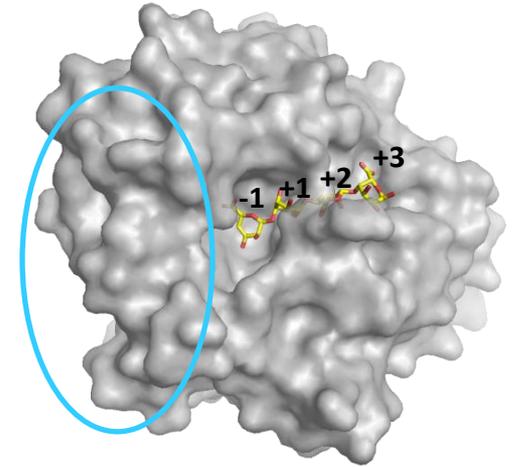
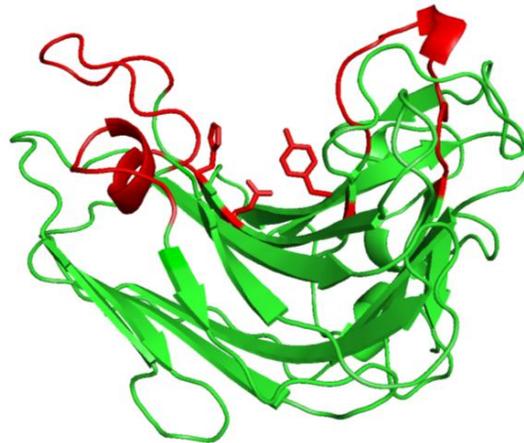
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AlyA1 and **AlyA5**

Two new lyases from the PL7 family



AlyA1: endo-lyase



AlyA5: exo-lyase

Thomas *et al*, (2013) **JBC**

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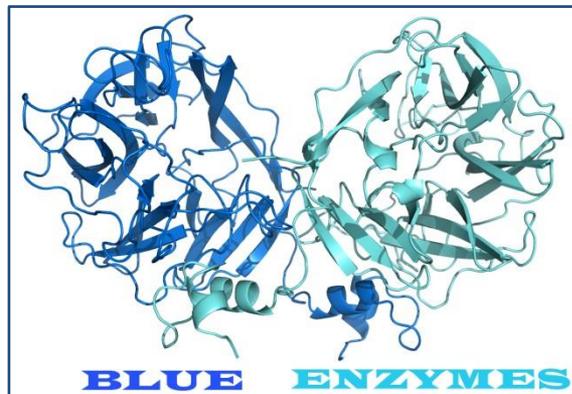
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Perspectives: start of two new projects in 2015

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ALGOLIFE:

processing macroalgae for high value-added human and animal health/nutrition products

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Projet R&D collaboratif « ALGOLIFE »



Enrichissement et transformation de macro-algues pour l'extraction de molécules bioactives



Fiche d'identité du projet



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Des innovations sur l'ensemble de la chaîne de valeur



Les marchés ciblés

ALGUES FRAÎCHES

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Les acteurs du projet et les chiffres clés



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Le pôle de compétitivité



BRETAGNE ATLANTIQUE

LES CHIFFRES CLÉS

- 10 PARTENAIRES
- 5 ANS DE PROJET
- UN PROJET DE 22,5 M€
- UN FINANCEMENT BPIFRANCE DE 10,6 M€

Thank you!



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