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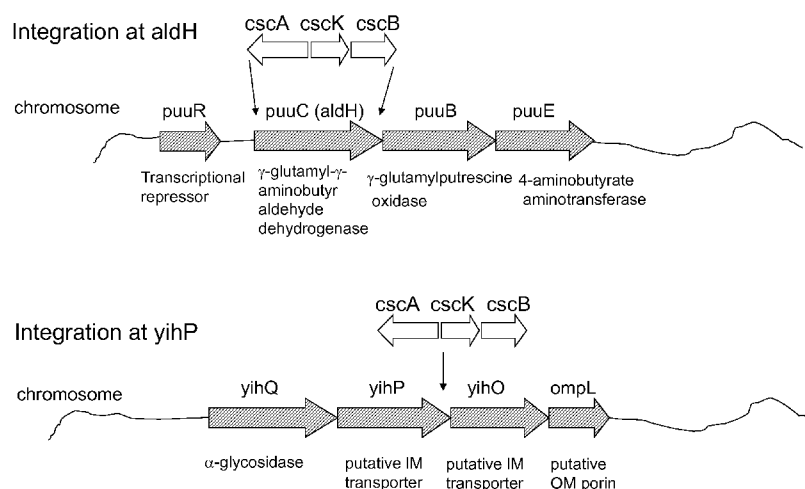
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Figure 1



(57) Abstract: Recombinant bacteria having an improved ability to utilize sucrose are provided. These recombinant bacteria have nucleotide sequences encoding sucrose utilization polypeptides integrated into their genome between the *yihP* gene or its homolog and the *yihO* gene or its homolog. Additionally, methods of utilizing the recombinant bacteria to produce products such as glycerol and glycerol-derived products are provided.