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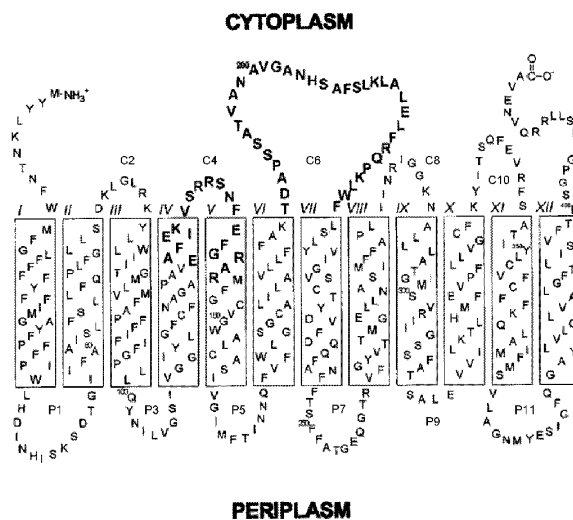


Fig. 2

- (57) **Abstract:** Disclosed are genetically engineered microbial cells for the production of an oligosaccharide of interest, wherein said microbial cells possess a variant of the *E. coli* lactose permease LacY which exhibits a reduced transport activity for lactose, and methods for producing an oligosaccharide by using said genetically engineered microbial cells.

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