

Supplementary Figures

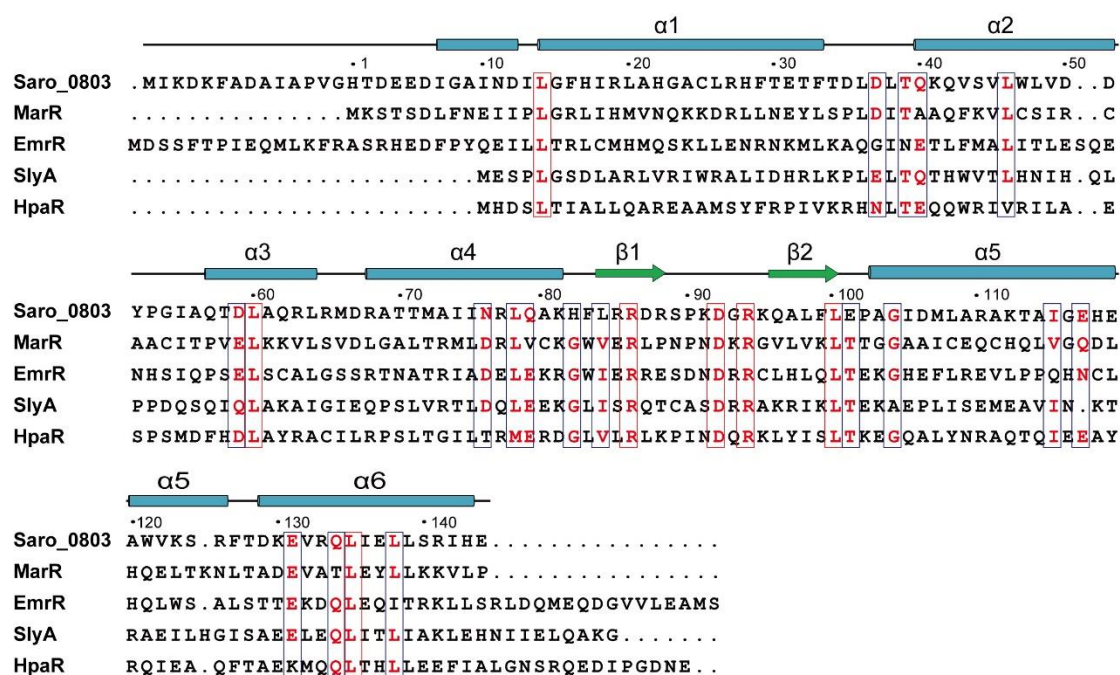


Figure. S1 Structural-based multisequence alignment of MarR family proteins featuring Saro_0803 from *Novosphingobium aromaticivorans* DSM 12444, MarR [1], EmrR [2], SlyA [3], HpaR (ID: WP_000543916.1). The conserved residues (indicated in red boxes) and the relatively conserved residues (indicated in blue boxes) [4].

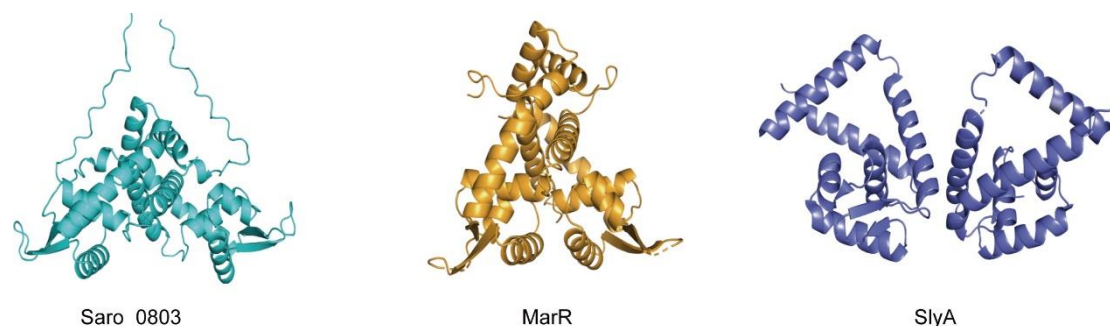


Figure. S2 Comparison of the structural model of Saro_0803 with the crystal structure of MarR [1] (PDB ID: 4JBA) and SlyA (PDB ID: 3DEU) [3], colored in cyan, orange and purple, respectively.

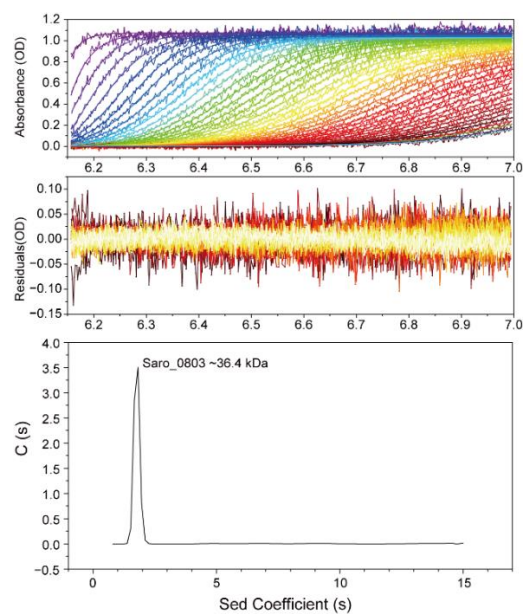


Figure. S3 The sedimentation absorbance curve (upper panel), residuals curve (OD, middle panel) and the Sed coefficient (s) curve (lower panel) detection by analytical ultracentrifugation (AUC) experiments.

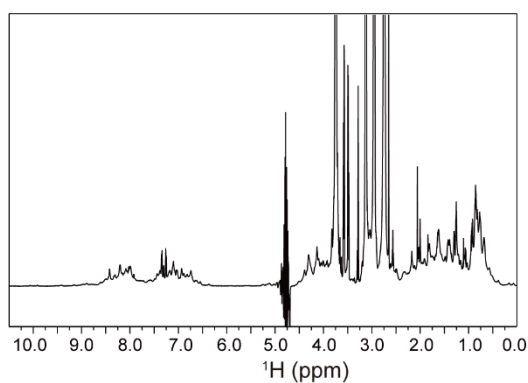


Figure. S4 One-dimensional [^1H] spectrum of Saro_0803.

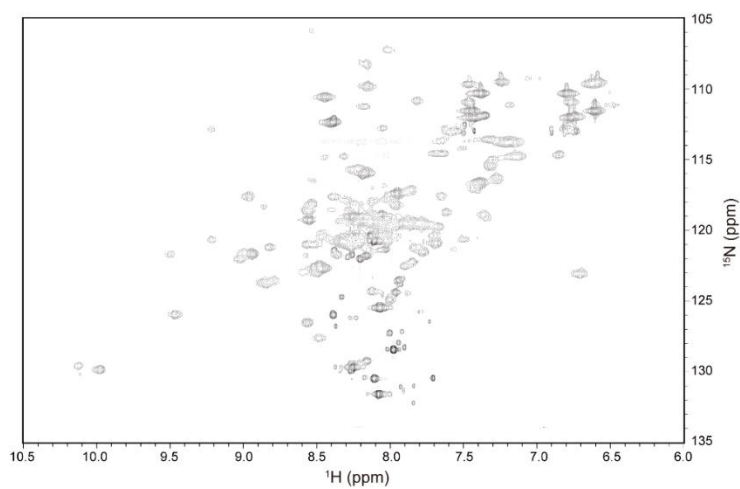


Figure. S5 Two-dimensional [^1H - ^{15}N]-HSQC spectrum of Saro_0803.

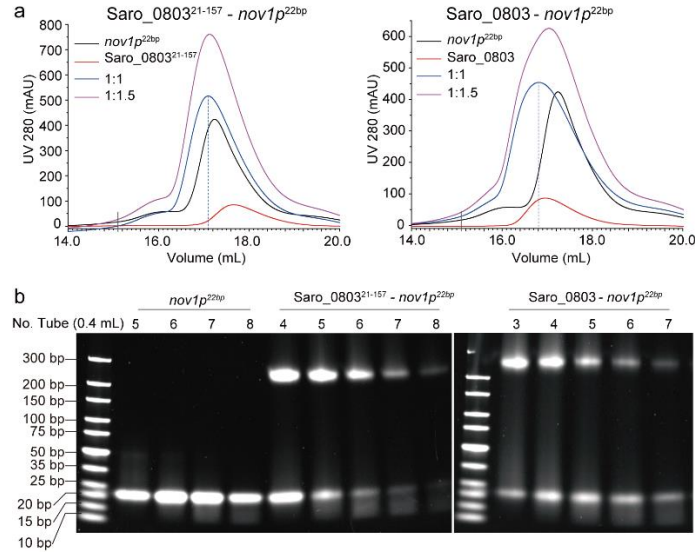


Figure. S8 Analytic size exclusion chromatography experiments to detect the protein–DNA interactions of Saro_0803 and its truncation Saro_0803²¹⁻¹⁵⁷ to its operator DNA sequence *nov1p*^{22bp} utilizing Superdex 200 increase 10/300 GL column (GE Healthcare, Chicago, IL, USA). The upper section (a) indicates the absorbance curve of DNA sequence *nov1p*^{22bp} with increased ratio to the absence and presence of Saro_0803 and its truncation Saro_0803²¹⁻¹⁵⁷. The lower section (b) indicates the EMSA analysis to confirm the migration of the binding curve at the ratio of 1:1, where the collection of elution begins at 15.1 mL with 0.4 mL per tube.

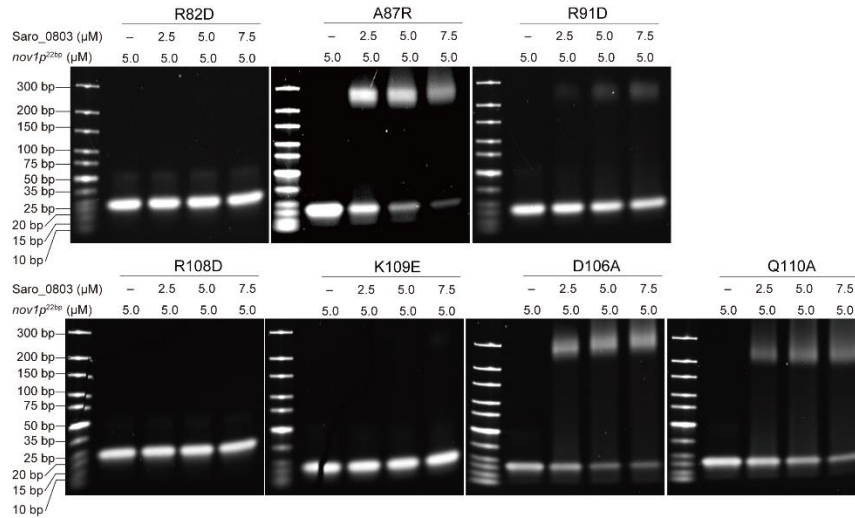


Figure. S9 EMSA analysis of the binding site of mutants of Saro_0803. The proteins with increased concentrations of 0, 2.5, 5.0, and 7.5 μM were incubated with 5.0 μM DNA sequence *nov1p*^{22bp}.

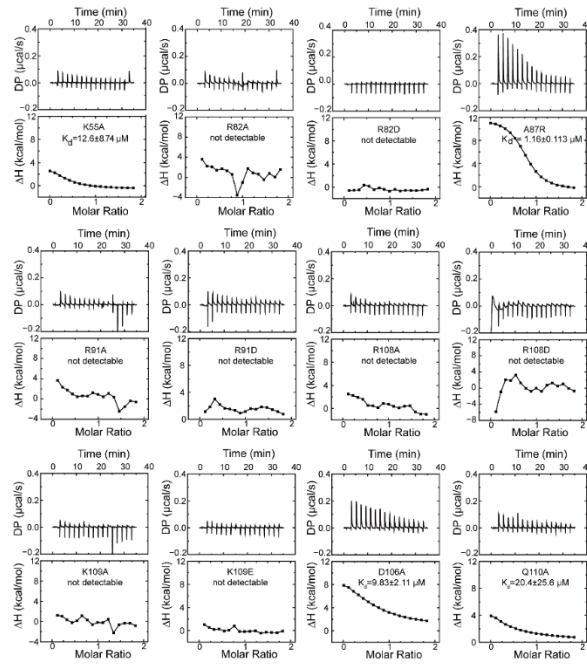


Figure. S10 The diagram of binding affinity (K_d) and enthalpy values (ΔH) of mutants of Saro_0803, related to residues bound to the core DNA sequence *novIp*^{22bp}, detected by the performance of ITC experiments.

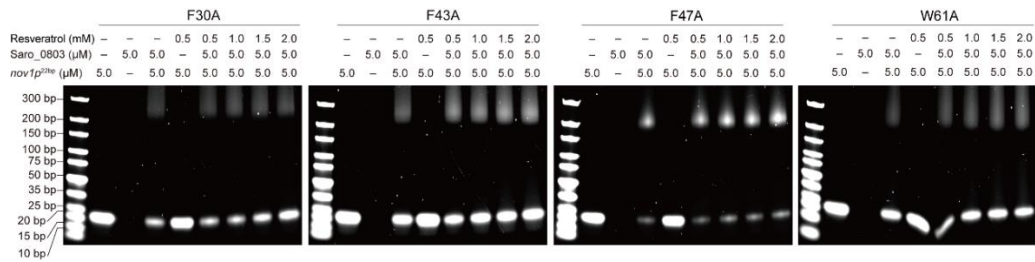


Figure. S11 EMSA analysis to investigate the ligand resveratrol perturbing the mutants of F30A, F43A, F47A and W61A of Saro_0803 binding to the core sequence *novIp*^{22bp}. Incrementally increased concentrations of resveratrol (0, 0.5, 1.0, 1.5, 2.0 mM) were incubated with 5.0 μM mutated protein-*novIp*^{22bp} complex.

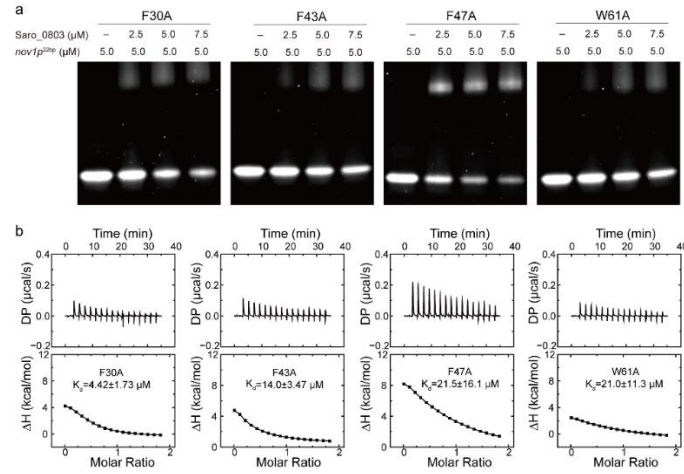


Figure. S12 Characterization of the binding capability of Saro_0803 mutants with *novIp*^{22bp}. **(a)** EMSA analysis of the mutants related to the hydrophobic cavity of Saro_0803 to *novIp*^{22bp}. **(b)** ITC assay with continuous titration of *novIp*^{22bp} into Saro_0803 mutants. The proteins with increased concentrations of 0, 2.5, 5.0, and 7.5 μM were incubated with 5.0 μM DNA sequence *novIp*^{22bp} and the diagram of binding affinity (K_d) and enthalpy values (ΔH) of mutants of Saro_0803, related to residues bound to the core DNA sequence *novIp*^{22bp}, detected by the performance of ITC experiments.

Supplementary Tables

Table. S1 The PCR primers commercially synthesized for the plasmid constructs.

| Name (vector pET 30a+) | Sequence(5'-3') |
|-------------------------------|---|
| Saro_0803-F | GGAATTCATATGATCAAGATAAATTTGCGGACGC |
| Saro_0803-R | CCGCTCGAG TTCGTGAATGCGAGACAGC |
| Saro_0803 ^{30A} -F | GATCAACGATATTCTGGTGCCCATATTCTGTGGCCCA |
| Saro_0803 ^{30A} -R | TGGGCCAGACGAATATGGCACCCAGAATATCGTTGATC |
| Saro_0803 ^{43A} -F | GCATGCTGGGTACGCTACCGAAACGTTCAACCGA |
| Saro_0803 ^{43A} -R | TCGGTGAACGTTTCGGTAGCGTGACGCAGGCATGC |
| Saro_0803 ^{47A} -F | CGTCACCTTTACCGAAACGGCCACCGATCTGGACCTGAC |
| Saro_0803 ^{47A} -R | GTCAGGTCAGATCGGTGGCCGTTTCGGTAAAGTGACG |
| Saro_0803 ^{105A} -F | TCTGACCTGACGCAGGCACAAGTAGTGTTCTGTGG |
| Saro_0803 ^{105A} -R | CCACAGAACACTCACTTGTGCTGCGTCAGGTCACGA |
| Saro_0803 ^{161A} -F | AGAAACAAGTGAGTCTTCTGGCGCTGGTCGATGACTATCC |
| Saro_0803 ^{161A} -R | GGATAGTCATCGACCGCCAGAACACTCACTGTGTTCT |
| Saro_0803 ^{182A} -F | GTCTGCGCATGGACGCTGCTACACGATGG |
| Saro_0803 ^{182A} -R | CCATCGGTGAGCAGCGTCCATGCGCAGAC |
| Saro_0803 ^{182C} -F | AACGCTCGCGCATGGACGATGCTACACGATGGCGA |
| Saro_0803 ^{182C} -R | TCGCCATCGTGTAGCATGCTCCATGCGCAGACGTT |
| Saro_0803 ^{187R} -F | CCGTGCTACCAGCATGCGGATTATCAATCGCCTGCAAG |
| Saro_0803 ^{187R} -R | CTTGACGGCGATTGATAATCCG CATCGTGTAGCACGG |
| Saro_0803 ^{189A} -F | CGATGGCGATTATCAATGCCCTGCAAGCCAAAC |
| Saro_0803 ^{189A} -R | GTTTGGCTTGCAGGCGATTGATAATCGCCATCG |
| Saro_0803 ^{189C} -F | CACGATGGCGATTATCAATGACCTGCAAGCCAAACATTTCT |
| Saro_0803 ^{189C} -R | AGAAAAATGTTGGCTTGCAGGCTATTGATAATCGCCATCGT |
| Saro_0803 ^{2105A} -F | CGATCGTAGCCGAAAGCCGGCCGCAACAAGCTC |
| Saro_0803 ^{2105A} -R | GAGCTTGTTCGCGCCGCTTCGGGCTACGATCG |
| Saro_0803 ^{2105A} -F | AGCCCGAAAGACGGCGCCAAACAAGCTCTGTTCTGG |
| Saro_0803 ^{2105A} -R | CCAGGAACAGAGCTTGTGTTGGCGCGTCTTCGGGCT |
| Saro_0803 ^{2105C} -F | TAGCCCGAAAGACGGCGCAACAAGCTCTGTTCTCTGG |
| Saro_0803 ^{2105C} -R | CCAGGAACAGAGCTTGTGTTGGCGCTCTTCGGGCTA |
| Saro_0803 ^{2105A} -F | CGAAAGACGGCGCGCACAAGCTCTGTTCTCTGG |
| Saro_0803 ^{2105A} -R | CCAGGAACAGAGCTTGTGCGCGCGCTCTTTCG |
| Saro_0803 ^{2105C} -F | GAAAGACGGCGCGCAACAAGCTCTGTTCT |
| Saro_0803 ^{2105C} -R | GAAAGACGGCGCGCAACAAGCTCTGTTCTGGAAC |
| Saro_0803 ^{2110A} -F | GTTCCAGGAACAGAGCTGCTTTCGGCGCGTCTTC |

Table. S2 The Oligonucleotides sequence commercially synthesized for double-strand DNA synthesis by annealing, with truncations presented per 3 bp from the upstream of *nov1p*^{58bp}.

| Name | DNA sequence(5'-3') |
|--|--|
| <i>nov1p</i> ^{58bp} | CCAACGAATGCGCTTGTCTAATTGTTAGCAATACATACAATATTGCAAGGAGGATGCC GGCATCCTCCTTGCAATATTGTATGTATTGCTAACAAATTAGACAAGCGCATTCGTGG |
| Truncation per 3bp from the upstream of <i>nov1p</i> ^{58bp} | |
| 5'-Forward: -3bp | ACGAATGCGCTTGTCTAATTGTTAGCAATACATACAATATTGCAAGGAGGATGCC GGCATCCTCCTTGCAATATTGTATGTATTGCTAACAAATTAGACAAGCGCATTCGT |
| 5'-Forward: -6bp | AATGCGCTTGTCTAATTGTTAGCAATACATACAATATTGCAAGGAGGATGCC GGCATCCTCCTTGCAATATTGTATGTATTGCTAACAAATTAGACAAGCGCATTC |
| 5'-Forward: -9bp | GCGCTTGTCTAATTGTTAGCAATACATACAATATTGCAAGGAGGATGCC GGCATCCTCCTTGCAATATTGTATGTATTGCTAACAAATTAGACAAGCGC |
| 5'-Forward: -12bp | CTTGTCTAATTGTTAGCAATACATACAATATTGCAAGGAGGATGCC GGCATCCTCCTTGCAATATTGTATGTATTGCTAACAAATTAGACAAG |
| 5'-Forward: -15bp | GTCTAATTGTTAGCAATACATACAATATTGCAAGGAGGATGCC GGCATCCTCCTTGCAATATTGTATGTATTGCTAACAAATTAGAC |
| 5'-Forward: -18bp | TAATTGTTAGCAATACATACAATATTGCAAGGAGGATGCC GGCATCCTCCTTGCAATATTGTATGTATTGCTAACAAATT |
| 5'-Forward: -21bp | TTGTTAGCAATACATACAATATTGCAAGGAGGATGCC GGCATCCTCCTTGCAATATTGTATGTATTGCTAACAA |
| 5'-Forward: -24bp | TTAGCAATACATACAATATTGCAAGGAGGATGCC GGCATCCTCCTTGCAATATTGTATGTATTGCTAA |
| 5'-Forward: -27bp | GCAATACATACAATATTGCAAGGAGGATGCC GGCATCCTCCTTGCAATATTGTATGTATTGC |
| 5'-Forward: -30bp | ATACATACAATATTGCAAGGAGGATGCC GGCATCCTCCTTGCAATATTGTATGTAT |
| 5'-Forward: -33bp | CATACAATATTGCAAGGAGGATGCC GGCATCCTCCTTGCAATATTGTATG |
| 5'-Forward: -36bp | ACAATATTGCAAGGAGGATGCC GGCATCCTCCTTGCAATATTGT |

Table. S3 The Oligonucleotides sequence commercially synthesized for double-strand DNA synthesis by annealing, with truncations presented per 3 bp from the downstream of *nov1p*^{58bp}.

| Name | DNA sequence(5'-3') |
|--|--|
| <i>nov1p</i> ^{58bp} | CCAACGAATGCGCTTGTCTAATTGTTAGCAATACATACAATATTGCAAGGAGGATGCC GGCATCCTCCTTGCAATATTGTATGTATTGCTACAATTAGACAAGCGCATTCTGTTGG |
| Truncation per 3bp from the downstream of <i>nov1p</i> ^{58bp} | |
| 3'-Reverse: -3bp | CCAACGAATGCGCTTGTCTAATTGTTAGCAATACATACAATATTGCAAGGAGGAT ATCCTCCTTGCAATATTGTATGTATTGCTACAATTAGACAAGCGCATTCTGTTGG |
| 3'-Reverse: -6bp | CCAACGAATGCGCTTGTCTAATTGTTAGCAATACATACAATATTGCAAGGAG CTCCTTGCAATATTGTATGTATTGCTACAATTAGACAAGCGCATTCTGTTGG |
| 3'-Reverse: -9bp | CCAACGAATGCGCTTGTCTAATTGTTAGCAATACATACAATATTGCAAG CTTGCAATATTGTATGTATTGCTACAATTAGACAAGCGCATTCTGTTGG |
| 3'-Reverse: -12bp | CCAACGAATGCGCTTGTCTAATTGTTAGCAATACATACAATATTGCAAG GCAATATTGTATGTATTGCTACAATTAGACAAGCGCATTCTGTTGG |
| 3'-Reverse: -15bp | CCAACGAATGCGCTTGTCTAATTGTTAGCAATACATACAATATTGCAAG ATATTGTATGTATTGCTACAATTAGACAAGCGCATTCTGTTGG |

Table. S4 The Oligonucleotides sequence commercially synthesized for double-strand DNA synthesis by annealing, with truncations presented per 1 bp from the downstream of *nov1p*^{25bp}.

| Name | DNA sequence(5'-3') |
|--|---|
| <i>nov1p</i> ^{25bp} | TAATTGTTAGCAATACATACAATAT ATATTGTATGTATTGCTACAATTA |
| Truncation per 1bp from the downstream of <i>nov1p</i> ^{25bp} | |
| 3'-Reverse: -1bp | TAATTGTTAGCAATACATACAATA TATTGTATGTATTGCTACAATTA |
| 3'-Reverse: -2bp | TAATTGTTAGCAATACATACAAT ATTGTATGTATTGCTACAATTA |
| 3'-Reverse: -3bp | TAATTGTTAGCAATACATACAA TTGTATGTATTGCTACAATTA |
| 3'-Reverse: -4bp | TAATTGTTAGCAATACATACA TGTATGTATTGCTACAATTA |

Table. S5 The ITC determination statistics of enthalpy term (ΔH), entropy term ($-T\Delta S$), Gibbs free energy (ΔG) and the stoichiometry N (sites).

| the ITC determination | | | | | |
|---|-----------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| | Kd(M) | ΔH (kcal/mol) | $-T\Delta S$ (kcal/mol) | ΔG (kcal/mol) | N (sites) |
| Ctrl | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| Saro_0803 | 3.57e-6±703e-9 | 6.70±0.463 | -14.1 | -7.43 | 0.923±3.3e-2 |
| F30A | 4.42e-6±1.73e-6 | 6.98±1.48 | -14.3 | -7.31 | 0.439±4.2e-2 |
| F43A | 14.0e-6±3.47e-6 | 37.2±44.3 | -43.9 | -6.62 | 0.101±9.4e-2 |
| F47A | 21.5e-6±16.1e-6 | 22.7±15.1 | -29 | -6.37 | 0.720±0.138 |
| K55A | 12.2e-6±8.97e-6 | 12.2±15.7 | -18.9 | -6.7 | 0.339±4.8e-2 |
| W61A | 21.0e-6±11.3e-6 | 12.5±11.7 | -18.9 | -6.38 | 0.144±2.24 |
| R82A | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| R82D | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| A87R | 1.16e-6±113e-9 | 12.5±0.275 | -20.6 | -8.1 | 0.771±8.8e-3 |
| R91A | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| R91D | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| R108A | 45.6e-6±166e-6 | 11.7±47.0 | -17.6 | -5.92 | 0.947±1.18 |
| R108D | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| K109A | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| K109E | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| D106A | 9.83e-6±2.11e-6 | 12.8±1.75 | -19.6 | -6.83 | 0.640±2.5e-2 |
| Q110A | 20.4e-6±25.6e-6 | 15.1±33.3 | -21.5 | -6.4 | 0.134±1.94 |
| notes: the binding determination of Saro_0803 and related mutants to the <i>nov1p</i> ^{22bp} | | | | | |
| the ITC determination | | | | | |
| | Kd(M) | ΔH (kcal/mol) | $-T\Delta S$ (kcal/mol) | ΔG (kcal/mol) | N (sites) |
| Ctrl | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| F30A | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| F43A | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| F47A | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| W61A | 278e-6±256e-6 | -0.247±0.179 | -4.6 | -4.85 | 10.0±1.09 |
| Saro_0803 | 35.7e-6±7.71e-6 | -0.235±1.9e-2 | -5.83 | -6.07 | 7.15±0.235 |
| notes: the binding determination of Saro_0803 and related mutants to the resveratrol | | | | | |

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