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# Predicted structural elements of Bcr-Abl oncoprotein isoforms in Chronic Myelogenous leukemia

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The structural elements of Bcr-Abl oncoprotein ($p210^{BCR-ABL}$) isoforms, b2a2 and b3a2, expressed in Chronic Myelogenous Leukemia (CML), were predicted by Psipred and ExPASy servers. These proteins are tyrosine kinases with masses of 210-kDa. Structural differences were found in five α-helices (α25, α', α26, α27 and α29) and nine β-strands (β12, β13, β15, β', β17, β30, β", β34 and β35). These differences are present in the $SH_3$, $SH_2$, $SH_1$ and DNA-binding domains. The structural differences might be able to explain the different roles played by the two isoforms in mediating signal transduction during the development of CML.

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