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Diagram illustrating the genomic organization of the *cps* locus in *OXC141* and *RM200* strains. The *OXC141* strain (top) shows a large red block covering the entire *cps* locus, indicating a deletion. The *RM200* strain (bottom) shows a red bar below the *cps* locus, indicating the extent of homologous recombination. The map includes genes *luxS*, *dexB*, *cps* locus, *aliA*, and *pbp1a*. A 5 kb scale bar is shown.

