1 **Phylogeny and distinct properties of major intrinsic proteins in the genomes of six**

2 ***Phytophthora* species suggest their novel functions in *Phytophthora***

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*Highlights:*

- Major intrinsic proteins (MIPs) family in *Phytophthora* species are divergent.

- *Phytophthora* MIPs (PMIPs) were phylogenetically and structurally distinct from their counterparts in other taxonomic domains.

- PMIPs might have novel functions.

- The MIPs are suggested to be involved in host-pathogen interactions and could be considered attractive anti-*Phytophthora* targets.

*ABSTRACT*

Major intrinsic proteins (MIPs), commonly known as aquaporins, transport water and other non-polar solutes across membranes. MIPs are believed to be involved in host-pathogen interactions. Herein, we identified 17, 24, 27, 19, 19, and 22 full-length MIPs, respectively, in the genomes of six *Phytophthora* species, *P. infestans*, *P. parasitica*, *P. sojae, P. ramorum, P. capsici*, and *P. cinnamomi*, which are devastating plant pathogens and members of oomycetes, a distinct lineage of fungus-like eukaryotic microbes. Phylogenetic analysis showed that the *Phytophthora* MIPs (PMIPs) formed a completely distinct clade from their counterparts in other taxa and were clustered into nine subgroups. Sequence and structural analysis of homology models indicated that the primary selectivity-related constrictions, including aromatic arginine (ar/R) selectivity filter and Froger's positions in PMIPs were distinct from those in other taxa. The substitutions in the conserved Asn-Pro-Ala motifs in loops B and E of many PMIPs were also divergent from those in plants. We further deciphered group-specific consensus sequences/motifs in different loops and transmembrane helices of PMIPs, which were distinct from those in plants, animals, and microbes. The data collectively supported the notion that PMIPs might have novel functions and could be considered attractive anti-*Phytophthora* targets.

**Keywords:** Major intrinsic proteins, *Phytophthora*, Phylogeny, Oomycetes and Substrate specificity

## 1. Introduction

The super family of major intrinsic proteins (MIPs) possesses channel-forming integral membrane proteins that transport water and other non-polar small solutes, such as ammonia, urea, boron, silicon, carbon dioxide, glycerol, hydrogen peroxide, antimony, and arsenite (Gomes et al., 2009; Ishibashi et al., 2009; Azad et al., 2012; Verkman, 2012; Maurel et al., 2015; Pommerrenig et al., 2015; Azad et al., 2016; Azad et al. 2018). They are found in all living organisms from bacteria to mammals and are abundant in plants (Gomes et al., 2009; Azad et al., 2011; Maurel et al., 2015). Orthodox aquaporins (AQPs), which transport only water and aquaglyceroporins (AQGPs), that can transport other uncharged small solutes in addition to water or without water, are prototype members of MIPs (Mukhopadhyay et al., 2014; Maurel et al., 2015; Pommerrenig et al., 2015).

 All AQPs share some structural features, although their amino acid sequences differ substantially. Each monomer of MIP is composed of six transmembrane (TM) α-helices (H1-H6) with five connecting loops (loops LA–LE) and cytoplasmic N- and C-termini. The pore of the channel is characterized by two constrictions that theoretically specify the profile of transport selectivity. The first constriction is formed at the center of the pore by two highly conserved Asn-Pro-Ala (NPA) motifs on loops B and E because of the close opposition of their asparagine residues (Wallace and Roberts, 2004). This constriction is involved in proton exclusion (Tajkhorshid et al., 2002). The second constriction, called the aromatic/arginine (ar/R) constriction or the selectivity filter, is formed toward the luminal side of the membrane by four residues from helix 2 (H2), helix 5 (H5), and loop E (LE1 and LE2) (Fu et al., 2000; Sui et al., 2001). Mutation at this ar/R selectivity filter is thought to determine the broad spectrum of substrate conductance in plant AQPs (Wallace and Roberts, 2004; Gupta and

Sankararamakrishnan, 2009; Azad et al., 2012; Azad et al., 2016). Five relatively conserved

amino acid residues known as Froger's positions (FPs) and designed P1–P5 play roles in MIP

sub-grouping and substrate selectivity (Froger et al., 1998; Heymann and Engel, 2000; Azad et

al., 2016).

Although 13 different MIPs identified in mammals are divided into three major subfamilies,

the genomes of plants encode 2–5-fold or more MIPs, which are grouped into 4–7 subfamilies

(Maurel et al., 2015; Azad et al., 2016; Potokar et al., 2016). However, fungi genomes have up

to five MIPs with diversified subgroups (Pettersson et al., 2005; Verma et al., 2014). Algae have

1–6 MIPs, but are highly divergent and share only limited similarities with land plant MIPs

(Anderberg et al., 2011). In humans, MIPs play significant roles in brain-water balance, kidney

nephrons, cell migration, cell proliferation, neural activity, pain, epithelial fluid secretion, skin

hydration, adipocyte metabolism, and ocular function (Ishibashi et al., 2009; Verkman, 2012).

They are associated with many human diseases, such as glaucoma, cancer, epilepsy,

nephrogenic diabetes insipidus, and obesity (Ishibashi et al., 2009; Verkman, 2012), and

therefore, they have been potential drug targets (Soveral and Casini, 2017). In plants, MIPs are

involved in many physiological processes, such as motor cell movement, root and leaf hydraulic

conductance, diurnal regulation of leaf movements, rapid internode elongation, responses to

numerous biotic and abiotic stresses, temperature-dependent petal movement, and petal

development (Azad et al., 2004; Peng et al., 2007; Azad et al., 2008; Uehlein and Kaldenhoff,

2008; Gomes et al., 2009; Gao et al., 2010; Muto et al., 2011; Azad et al., 2013; Maurel et al.,

2015; Afzal et al., 2016; Sonah et al., 2017). MIPs also play important roles in host-parasite

interactions and numerous MIPs have been reported in several protozoan parasites, such as

*Plasmodium*, *Trypanosoma*, and *Leishmania* species (Hansen et al., 2002; Montalvetti et al.,

2004; Beitz, 2005; Fadiel et al., 2009; Kun and de Carvalho, 2009; Baker et al., 2012). These

MIPs are considered potential drug targets (Beitz, 2005; Fadiel et al., 2009; Kun and de

Carvalho, 2009). In mycorrhized plants, both plant and fungal MIPs play significant roles in

water and nutrient transport and in the drought resistance of plants (Giovannetti et al., 2012; Li

et al., 2013; Maurel et al., 2015). MIPs in pathogenic fungi may act as attractive targets for

antifungal drugs (Verma et al., 2014). However, no study has been conducted on the MIPs of

oomycetes, a distinct lineage of fungus-like eukaryotes with diverse microorganisms that are

related to organisms such as brown algae and diatoms (Beakes et al., 2012; Thines, 2014; Fawke

et al., 2015; Wang et al., 2016). Oomycetes are globally distributed and ubiquitous in marine,

freshwater, and terrestrial environments (Thines, 2014), and cause devastating diseases to both

plants and animals (Derevnina et al., 2016).

Among oomycetes, the *Phytophthora* genus comprises more than 117 species, which are highly

devastating to a wide range of agriculturally and ornamentally important plants, causing severe

economic losses (Martin et al., 2012; Kroon et al., 2004; Tyler et al., 2006; Beakes et al., 2012;

Thines, 2014; Fawke et al., 2015; Wang et al., 2016). *P. infestans*, the cause of late blight of

potato and tomato, resulted the Irish Potato Famine in the mid-19th century (Haas et al., 2009;

Yoshida et al., 2013; Thines, 2014; Wang et al., 2016), and *P. sojae* costs the soybean industry

millions of dollars each year (Tyler et al., 2006; Sahoo et al., 2017). *P. ramorum*, the cause of

death of oak trees in North America, has severe impact on natural ecosystem, and *P. cinnamomi*

is a substantial threat to natural eucalyptus forests in Australia (Tyler et al., 2006; Lamour et al.,

2012; Thines, 2014). *P. capsici* causes foot rot disease in black pepper and *Phytophthora* blight

in vegetable crops, which causes serious effects on the production of cucurbits, peppers,

eggplants, and numerous other important vegetables worldwide (Jackson et al., 2012; Hao et al.,

2016; Johnson et al., 2016; Liu et al., 2016). *P. parasitica* infects a broad range of plants, being

capable of infecting over 72 plant genera worldwide (Blackman et al., 2015; Meng et al., 2015).

The genome sequences of these six plant pathogenic *Phytophthora* species have been completed

(Tyler et al., 2006; Haas et al., 2009; Lamour et al., 2012; Fawke et al., 2015) and are available

in 'FungiDB' (http://fungidb.org/fungidb/). In the study reported herein, we identified and

characterized *MIP* genes in the genomes of these six *Phytophthora* species (*PinMIP, PpaMIP,*

*PsoMIP, PraMIP, PcaMIP*, and *PciMIP* genes of *P. infestans*, *P. parasitica*, *P. sojae, P.*

*ramorum, P. capsici*, and *P. cinnamomi*, respectively) by using bioinformatics tools. To the best

of our knowledge, this is the first report on MIPs of any organism of oomycetes. This report

showed that the genomes of *Phytophthora* species have several-fold greater number of MIP

homologues than those of algae, fungi, other parasites, and even more than in mammals. The

numbers of their MIP homologues are comparable to that of plants. Comprehensive analysis

with different bioinformatics tools revealed that the MIPs in *Phytophthora* species are

phylogenetically and structurally distinct from their counterparts in other taxa.

**2. Materials and methods**

*2.1. Identification of PinMIP, PpaMIP, PsoMIP, PrMIP, PcaMIP, and PciMIP genes*

The genomes of *P. infestans* T30-4, *P. parasitica* INRA-310, *P. sojae* strain P6497, *P. ramorum*

strain Pr102*, P. capsici* LT1534, and *P. cinnamomi* CBS 144.22 are available at FungiDB

(http://fungidb.org/fungidb/). In FungiDB, a search with the keyword 'aquaporin' revealed that

21, 26, 35, 32, 25, and 32 aquaporin hits were available for each strain of *P. infestans*, *P.*

*parasitica*, *P. sojae, P. ramorum, P. capsici,* and *P. cinnamomi*, respectively. We retrieved the

protein sequences of these available AQPs for every organism and checked the typical features

of AQPs in their primary protein structures. All of the AQP protein sequences available in every

*Phytophthora* species were used as queries for MIPs in the genome of a particular *Phytophthora*

species using TBLASTN and BLASTp tools. Furthermore, the genomes of the *Phytophthora*

species were searched for MIPs using TBLASTN and BLASTp tools with the protein sequences

of the complete set of 55 MIPs from *Populus trichocarpa* (PtMIP), 22 MIPs from

*Physcomitrella patens* (PpMIP), and 13 MIPs from humans (MAQPs) as queries so that XIPs

(uncharacterized X intrinsic proteins), GIPs (GlpF-like intrinsic proteins), HIPs (Hybrid intrinsic

proteins) or superaquaporins could be detected if they were encoded in the genomes of the six

*Phytophthora* species. MIPs in *P. infestans* (PinMIPs), *P. parasitica* (PpaMIPs), *P. sojae*

(PsoMIPs), *P. ramorum* (PraMIPs), *P. capsici* (PcaMIPs), and *P. cinnamomi* (PciMIPs) were

included until no more MIPs could be found from the corresponding species. Every sequence

from each *Phytophthora* species was individually compared to identify the maximum number of

MIPs for further analyses. Some of the MIP sequences might have been partial or might not

have had all the features associated with its MIP channel. To investigate this, we used the

multiple alignment program Clustal Omega (http://www.ebi.ac.uk/Tools/msa/clustalo/) to align

all the sequences in an individual species. The multiple sequence alignment was used to

determine the following features specific to the MIP family: (i) presence of two NPA or NPA-

like motifs, (ii) presence of six TM α-helices, and (iii) two functionally important loops

possessing the features characteristically present in MIP channels. The TM α-helices were

predicted        by        SOSUI        (http://bp.nuap.nagoya-u.ac.jp/sosui/),        TMpred

(http://www.ch.embnet.org/software/TMPRED_form.html),        and        the        tools        of        ExPASy

(http://kr.expasy.org/tools/). The genomic regions containing *MIP* genes were further used to

determine the gene structure using the program GeneMark.hmm ES-3.0 (Lomsadze et al., 2005)

(http://exon.gatech.edu/GeneMark), a self-training based algorithm for prediction of genes from

novel eukaryotic genomes. When short genes were found, their sequences with 1000 base

flanking regions were subjected to Genetyx_SV_RC_version 7 to investigate their protein

sequences.

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*2.2. Phylogenetic and domain analysis of PinMIPs, PpaMIPs, PsoMIPs, PrMIPs, PcaMIPs, and*

*PciMIPs*

To understand the diversity and evolution of PMIPs and to compare them with those in plants,

animals, fungi, and algae, we performed phylogenetic analysis of all MIPs in six *Phytophthora*

species using Molecular Evolution Genetic Analysis (MEGA) version 5.0 (Tamura et al. 2011).

PinMIPs, PpaMIPs, PsoMIPs, PrMIPs, PcaMIPs, and PciMIPs were aligned with all PtMIPs,

PpMIPs, and MAQPs, and five representative members from each of 10 subfamilies of MIPs in

fungi (Verma et al., 2014) and all MIPs in the genomes of nine algae (Anderberg et al., 2011)

using the Clustal Omega program (http://www.ebi.ac.uk/Tools/msa/clustalo/) and a

phylogenetic tree was constructed with MEGA. The evolutionary history was inferred using two

different clustering algorithms, namely neighbor-joining and maximum parsimony methods

which are generally used for phylogentic analysis of MIPs (Abascal et al. 2014; Verma et al.

2014; Danielson and Johanson 2010), and the genetic distance was estimated by the p-distance

method. Reliability of individual branches of the tree was estimated by performing

bootstrapping with 1000 replicates. To construct the phylogenetic tree with the MIPs in the six

*Phytophthora* species, all of their MIPs were aligned as above. The identified PinMIPs,

PpaMIPs, PsoMIPs, PrMIPs, PcaMIPs, and PciMIPs were classified into different subfamilies

and groups based on the phylogenetic tree constructed from them.

*2.3. Prediction of subcellular localization and computation of Ka/Ks value*

The subcellular localizations of PMIPs were predicted *in silico* by using tools of WoLF PSORT

(http://www.genscript.com/wolf-psort.html)        and        Cello        prediction        system

(http://cello.life.nctu.edu.tw/) as described previously (Azad et al., 2016). The Ka/Ks values of

the *PMIPs* were calculated using an online Ka/Ks calculation tool at

http://services.cbu.uib.no/tools/kaks. A Ka/Ks value greater than one implied gene evolution

under positive or Darwinian selection; less than one indicated purifying (stabilizing) selection,

and a Ka/Ks value of one suggested a lack of selection or possibly a combination of positive and

purifying selections at different points that canceled each other out (Zhang et al., 2013).

*2.4. Homology modeling*

Homology models were constructed using the Molecular Operating Environment software

(MOE 2009.10; Chemical Computing Group, Quebec, Canada), based on a segment-matching

procedure (Levitt, 1992) and a best-intermediate algorithm with the option to refine each

individual structure enabled. The sequence of each MIP homolog was aligned with the open

conformation of spinach PIP, SoPIP2;1 (PDB, Protein Data Bank ID: 2B5F) (Törnroth-

Horsefield et al., 2006), or other AQP templates as indicated, using the MOE software as

previously described (Azad et al., 2012). The alignment of each MIP homolog was based on

both sequence and structural homology with the structure of SoPIP2;1. The 3D structure models

were formed using the MOE homology program and the stereochemical quality of the templates

and models were assessed as previously described (Azad et al., 2011).

*2.5. Determination of pore diameter and pore lining residues*

To analyze the MIP channels, the poreWalker server (http://www.ebi.ac.uk/thornton-

srv/software/PoreWalker/ (Pellegrini-Calace et al., 2009) was used, which is a fully automated

method designed to detect and characterize transmembrane protein channels from their 3D

structures. The 3D structure of each MIP was uploaded to the server, which generated its

specific pore characteristics; in particular, the conformation and the regularity of the channel

cavity, the corresponding pore lining residues and atoms, and the location of pore centers along

the channel. The pore diameter at the ar/R selectivity filter was determined from the PoreWalker

outputs as previously described (Azad et al., 2016). The pore lining residues, which are essential

for channel formation, were identified using the PoreWalker server.

**3. Results**

*3.1. Genome-wide identification of PinMIP, PpaMIP, PsoMIP, PraMIP, PcaMIP, and PciMIP*

*genes*

The whole genome shotgun sequence (WGS) of *P. infestans*, *P. parasitica*, *P. sojae, P.*

*ramorum, P. capsici*, and *P. cinnamomi* available at FungiDB was searched for *PinMIP,*

*PpaMIP, PsoMIP, PraMIP, PcaMIP*, and *PciMIP* genes using TBLASTN. The query PinMIP,

PpaMIP, PsoMIP, PtMIPs, PpMIPs and MAQPs sequences resulted in 21, 27, and 33 hits for

*PinMIP, PpaMIP*, and PsoMIP, respectively. We further analyzed the PinMIP, PpaMIP, and

PsoMIP sequences for manual inspection of their amino acid sequences, TM domains, and

homology models. After all these analysis, we found that out of 21, 27, and 33 hits for *PinMIP,*

*PpaMIP*, and *PsoMIP*, respectively, 4, 3, and 6 were deemed to be pseudo *MIP* genes in *P.*

*infestans*, *P. parasitica*, *P. sojae,* respectively, and were discarded. Characteristics, such as short

sequences, N- or C-termini less, addition or deletion of sequences, and combinations thereof

were observed in the discarded *MIPs*. However, the query PraMIP, PcaMIP, and PciMIP

returned no hits in the TBLASTN and BLASTp searches. Therefore, we retrieved the MIP

sequences of *P. ramorum, P. capsici*, and *P. cinnamomi* from the FungiDB and analyzed them

as mentioned above. Out of 32 MIP sequences in each of *P. ramorum, P. capsici*, and *P.*

*cinnamomi*, 13 MIPs in the former two and 10 MIPs in the latter were deemed pseudo *MIPs* for

the reasons noted above and were discarded. We ultimately obtained 17, 24, 27, 19, 19, and 22

full-length PinMIP, PpaMIP, PsoMIP, PraMIP, PcaMIP, and PciMIP protein sequences from the

WGS of *P. infestans*, *P. parasitica*, *P. sojae, P. ramorum, P. capsici*, and *P. cinnamomi*,

respectively (Tables 1-6). The amino acid lengths of PinMIP, PpaMIP, PsoMIP, PrMIP,

PcaMIP, and PciMIP homologues with their maximum sequence identity with MIPs in other

*Phytophthora*, humans (taxid 9606), *Arabidopsis thaliana* (taxid 3702), fungi (taxid 4751), and

algae (taxid 3027) are tabulated in Tables 1–6. Although the MIPs of one *Phytophthora* species

exhibited a maximum 80–95% identity with those of other *Phytophthora* species (Tables 1-6),

the TBLASTN search revealed that their highest identity with MIPs of *Arabidopsis thaliana*

(taxid: 3702), *Homo sapiens* (taxid: 9606), fungi (taxid: 4751), and algae (taxid: 3027) was

within 33, 45, 52, and 32%, respectively (Tables 1-6). This result indicated that PMIPs have

higher identity with MIPs of fungi compared to those of animals, plants, and algae. This result

further supported the notion that PMIPs might have extensive divergence in their sequence and

structural properties compared to those in other taxonomic groups.

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The Ka/Ks value was >1 only for *PinMIPC1;2* and *PsoMIPG1;*9, indicating that the evolution

of these genes in *P. infestans* and *P. sojae*, respectively, was likely under positive or Darwinian

selection (Tables 1-6). The Ka/Ks value 0 for *PpaMIPC1;3*, *PsoMIPG1;8*, *PraMIPG1;2*, and

*PraMIPG1;3* indicated neutral selection. The remaining *PMIP*s showed Ka/Ks values <1,

demonstrating purifying selection. The score of the Cello prediction system showed that all

PMIPs might have been localized in the plasma membrane (Supplementary Table S1). However,

WoLF PSORT scores suggested that some PMIPs have possibility to localize in other

intragranular membranes, such as the cytoskeleton, endoplasmic reticulum, vacuole, golgi, and

mitochondria.

*3.2. Phylogenetic distribution and nomenclature of PMIPs*

The sequence of PMIPs was routinely compared with the subfamilies of those in other

kingdoms by constructing multiple and/or pair-wise alignments using Clustal Omega and

EMBOSS Needle, respectively. To investigate the structural conservation of PMIPs with other

MIPs in plants, animals, and microbes, a 3D structural alignment was constructed with the

templates of human AQP1 (PDB ID, 1J4N), spinach plasma membrane intrinsic protein,

SoPIP2;1 (PDB ID, 2B5F), and *E. coli* glycerol facilitator, GlpF (PDB ID, 1FX8). All 3D

models constructed with these three templates showed the typical hourglass shaped AQPs with

six TM helices and five connecting loops (Figure 1). Superposition of the three models of each

PMIP showed that the helices superposed very closely. Deviation was observed only in the

loops. This structural alignment was used as a guide for sequence alignment. To classify the

PMIPs, their protein sequences were analyzed phylogenetically with representatives of

subfamilies of MIPs in two plant genomes, and a human, fungi, and algae genome, as described

in Materials and Methods. Although PtMIPs and PpMIPs were divided into five and seven

subfamilies, respectively (Danielson and Johanson, 2008; Gupta and Sankararamakrishnan,

2009), and those in fungi and algae were separated into 10 and seven subfamilies, respectively

(Anderberg et al., 2011; Verma et al., 2014), PMIPs formed a completely distinct clade (Figure

2). Despite one MIP in *P. parasitica*, which was associated with Delta AQGPs of fungi (Verma

et al., 2014), no other PMIP was associated with any subfamilies of MIPs in other organisms in

the three domains of life. We therefore constructed a phylogenetic tree with all 126 MIP

homologues in the six *Phytophthora* species (Figure 3 and supplementary figure S1). The 126

MIPs were clustered into nine subgroups. Because the PMIPs were not phylogenetically

clustered with any subfamily or group of MIPs reported in plants, animals, fungi, algae, or

bacteria, these groups were arbitrarily named MIPA-MIPI. Each MIP homologue in every

*Phytophthora* species was named by taking the first letter (Upper case) from the genus and the

first two letters (lower case) of the species names with the MIP group (A to I), and the number

of the homologues in each group was stated consecutively, i.e., PsoMIPA1;1 for MIPA in *P.*

*sojae* and so on. MIPAs and MIPCs-MIPGs included one to several MIPs from each of the six

*Phytophthora* species. MIPBs contained five homologues of five species, except *P. capsici*, and

MIPHs consisted of four MIPs from three *Phytophthora* species. The MIPI group had only one

homologue, which was Delta AQGP, as previously mentioned. However, although these groups

included a small number of MIP homologues, they had a distinct ar/R constriction. The

characteristics of each of the nine PMIPs groups are detailed in the next sections.

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*3.3. Sequence analysis of PMIPs*

We calculated the pair-wise sequence identity and similarity among the intragroup and

intergroup PMIPs by using EMBOSS Needle (http://www.ebi.ac.uk/Tools/psa/emboss_needle/).

The average identity and similarity among the intragroup PMIPs was 76% and 83%,

respectively, whereas those in the intergroup PMIPs were 40 and 52%, respectively

(Supplementary Table S2). However, the sequence identity and similarity of MIPHs to MIPA-

MIPGs was only 34 and 48%, respectively. Nevertheless, the intergroup average sequence

identity among MIPAs-MIPDs and MIPEs-MIPGs was 46 and 50% and similarity was 64 and

62%, respectively. In contrast, the intergroup average sequence identity and similarity of PMIPs

from MIPAs-MIPDs to MIPEs-MIPGs was 48 and 63%, respectively. These results indicated

that PMIPs of MIPAs-MIPDs were closer compared to those of MIPEs-MIPGs and vice versa.

The intergroup sequence identity varied from 2 to 30% and similarity varied from 1 to 56%,

indicating that each group was divergent from the others.

*3.4. Gene structure of MIPs in Phytophthora species*

All the full-length *MIP* sequences found in *P. infestans*, *P. parasitica*, *P. sojae, P. ramorum, P.*

*capsici*, and *P. cinnamomi* were analyzed for introns and exons (Figure 4). Interestingly, among

the 126 PMIPs, 107 homologues had no introns. This characteristic might be common to

prokaryotic genes. Thirteen PMIPs had one introns. Two introns were observed in four *PMIP*

genes, namely *PciMIPH1;1, PinMIPE1;1, PinMIPG1;2,* and *PsoMIPH1;1*. Three and five

introns were found only in PciMIPA1;4 and PinMIPC1;3, respectively. Despite a few

disparities, conserved intron positions were not found in *PMIPs* (Figure 4).

*3.5. Analysis of ar/R selectivity filter and FPs of PMIPs*

The amino acid residues in the ar/R selectivity filter and FPs are crucial for functional grouping

and substrate selectivity of MIPs (Froger et al., 1998; Heymann and Engel, 2000; Hove and

Bhave, 2011; Pommerrenig et al., 2015; Azad et al., 2016; Azad et al. 2018). To determine the

residues in the ar/R selectivity filter and FPs, we constructed 3D models of all PMIPs. The

structure-based alignments and multiple sequence alignments of PMIPs helped us to identify the

four amino acid residues at the ar/R selectivity filter, and the five residues in the FPs. The

residues at the ar/R selectivity filter and FPs in nine groups are shown in Figure 3. Although

MIPs in plants and fungi conserve group-specific ar/R selectivity filters and FPs (Wallace and

Roberts, 2004; Gupta and Sankararamakrishnan, 2009; Verma et al., 2014; Pommerrenig et al.,

2015; Azad et al., 2016), the ar/R filter and FPs were identical in several groups of PMIPs

(Figure 3). Despite a few disparities (PciMIPA1;4, PsoMIPA1;4, PpaMIPA1;3, and

345 PinMIPE1;2), the tetrad in the ar/R selectivity filter in MIPAs and MIPDs-MIPGs was WGYR,

346 which was found in β-AQPGs in fungi (Verma et al., 2014). However, MIPBs, MIPCs, MIPHs,

347 and MIPI contained group-specific ar/R selectivity filters, having the tetrad WGCR, WALR,

348 WSLR, and WTAR, respectively, which are not usually observed in MIPs of other taxonomic

349 groups. Nevertheless, the residue in the H5 position of the ar/R filter in PciMIPH1;1 and

350 PsoMIPH1;1 was deleted. The ar/R selectivity filter, as the name suggests, usually consists of an

351 aromatic residue and R, was found in the H2 and LE2 position, respectively. This was true for

352 all PMIPs, although exceptions have been reported in plants, fungi, and algae (Gupta and

353 Sankararamakrishnan, 2009; Anderberg et al., 2011; Verma et al., 2014; Azad et al., 2016). The

354 H5 position in PMIPs is occupied by small residues (G/A/S), which is generally the case in

355 many MIPs in plants (TIPs, NIPs, and SIPs), fungi, and algae (Anderberg et al., 2011; Verma et

356 al., 2014; Azad et al., 2016). However, all PIPs in plants, most of the AQPs in mammals, and

357 some groups of MIPs in algae conserved H, and some fungal, algal, and plant MIPs conserved

358 L/I/V in the corresponding position ((Anderberg et al., 2011; Azad et al., 2012; Verma et al.,

359 2014; Azad et al., 2016), Supplementary Figure S2). A/C/G/S/T residues are usually found in

360 the LE1 position in MIPs of plants, animals, fungi, and algae (Anderberg et al., 2011; Verma et

361 al., 2014; Azad et al., 2016). Except for some fungal MIPs, an aromatic residue is not usually

362 available at the LE1 position in eukaryotes. Interestingly, most of the PMIPs (MIPAs, MIPDs-

363 MIPGs) conserved the bulky hydrophobic aromatic Y in the LE1 position (Figure 3). The bulky

364 aromatic W and Y in the H2 and LE1 positions in many PMIPs in the five groups collectively

365 might have influenced the channel properties and their transport profile. Hydrophobic L, which

366 is not generally found in MIPs of plants, animals, and algae, but available in some fungal MIPs,

367 is conserved in homologues of MIPC and MIPH. This hydrophobic larger amino acid would

368 have changed the channel property and transport profile compared to MIPs that have A/C/G/S/T

in the same position. Superposition of the 3D models of PMIPs with crystal structures of

bacterial glycerol facilitator (Glps), bovine aquaporin 1 (AQP1), and spinach PIP, SoPIP2;1,

or that of intergroup homologues revealed that the architecture of the ar/R selectivity filter in

PMIPs would be influenced by the residue at the H5 and LE1 positions (Figure 5). However,

this might be one of the reasons for transport selectivity. The conserved residue WGYR in the

ar/R selectivity filter of PMIPAs and MIPDs-MIPGs indicated that their transport selectivity

might be caused by another mechanism or they have the same transport profile.

The FPs, P1 from H3, P2 and P3 from LE, and P4 and P5 from H6 as described by Froger

et al. (Froger et al., 1998) were YDRFW in MIPAs-MIPDs, excluding two homologues,

PsoMIPA1;4 and PsoMIPA1;5, in which the F was substituted by G and W, respectively (Figure

3). Although these FPs are diverse from MIPs in plants, animals, and algae, most of the groups of

fungal MIPs conserve them (Supplementary Figure S2). In MIPEs-MIPHs, the P2-P5 positions

were conserved with DRFW, except PsoMIPF1;2, PpaMIPF1;3, PsoMIPF1;3, PcaMIPF1;2, and

PciMIPF1;3, in which the W in the P5 position was substituted by L. The P1 position in these

groups was diverse, Q/D in MIPEs; D/N in MIPFs; Q in MIPGs; and H/N in MIPHs. The FPs in

the MIPI (PpaMIPI1;1) was FDRCW.

*3.6. PMIPs with substituted NPA motifs*

The conserved NPA motifs in LB and LE were found in MIPAs, MIPBs, MIPDs, MIPI, and a

subgroup of MIPCs, except PciMIPA1;4, in which the P of the NPA in LE was substituted by S

(Figure 3). As reported for the small basic intrinsic proteins (SIPs) in all plants (Gomes et al.,

2009; Azad et al., 2016), the homologues of MIPEs-MIPGs conserved a usual NPA motif in the

LE, but an unusual NPA motif in the LB, apart from PpaMIPG1;1 that contained the usual NPA

in both loops and PinMIPG1;1, in which the N of the NPA in LE was substituted by K. However,

unlike SIPs, MIPEs-MIPGs have high molecular weight with longer amino acid sequences.

Moreover, although substitution of A by T or L in the NPA motif of LB is observed in SIPs

(Verma et al., 2014; Azad et al., 2016), P was substituted by T in all MIPEs and MIPGs. In seven

homologues of MIPFs, P was substituted by C or S, and in six homologues of the same group, A

was substituted by S. Interestingly, two MIP homologues from each of the six *Phytophthora*

species had unusual NPA motifs both in LB and LE, and they were clustered as a subgroup in

MIPCs. More intriguingly, the NPA motifs of LB and LE in MIPHs were substituted with ISV

and S(P/V/I)N, respectively. The NIPs with unusual NPA motifs, where A was in LB and that in

LE were substituted by S and V, respectively, had characteristic R-rich C-termini (Azad et al.,

2016; Azad et al. 2018). However, MIPCs with both unusual NPA motifs had a RSxGPYE(Y/F)

C-terminus followed by the group-conserved GYHH motif. Although MIPHs' C- termini have no

such conserved sequences before the ExQH motif, they contain comparatively more charged

residues (Supplementary Figure S3).

*3.7. Group-specific consensus sequences/motif of PMIPs*

We further compared the PMIPs sequences for group-specific consensus sequences. In the TM

regions, the intergroup similarities among the PMIPs were very high. The group-specific

deviation was particularly observed in the loops and N- and C-termini (Table 7). Most of the

homologues in MIPEs-MIPGs had longer N- termini compared to MIPAs-MIPCs

(Supplementary Figure S3). Interestingly, MIPDs had short N- and C-termini. It is more

intriguing that excluding only three PMIPs in group E (PinMIPE1;1, PcaMIPE1;1, and

PpaMIPE1;1), all PMIPs conserved a positively charged histidine residue in the C-terminus.

With this conserved H residue, all PMIPs conserved a group-specific motif (Table 7). Except

MIPEs and MIPHs, the C-termini in all PMIPs were H-enriched, to a greater extent in MIPAs

and MIPBs. The C-termini of MIPEs were enriched with D and E and had di- or tri-acidic

residues. Despite the NPA motifs in LB and LE, every loop (LA-LE) had group-conserved

sequences (Table 7). However, the sequence shown in LB shared both TM2 and LB. In all

PMIPs, the LE was longer, where two group-conserved sequences were observed. The first one

composed of eight residues included the P2 position. The second consisted of six residues and

was located downstream of the P3 position. We further identified group-specific consensus

sequences, with one in each of TM3 and TM5, and two in TM4. In the upstream region of TM3,

there was a YxxxQ motif in all PMIPs, in which xxx contained group-specific residues. In the

consensus sequence composed of eleven residues (Pxxxxxxxxx(M/S) in TM5, the interior

positions were blocked with group-wise preserved residues. Nevertheless, the first group-wise

conserved sequence located at the start of TM4 was composed of eight residues; and the second

one located before the end of the TM4 was composed of seven residues.

**4. Discussion**

MIPs have a main role in water and solute transport and aid in homeostasis during plant stress

responses (Afzal et al., 2016). Recently, transcriptome data provided important clues about the

involvement of MIPs in host-pathogen interactions (Galindo-González and Deyholos, 2016;

Reeksting et al., 2016; Guo et al., 2017). Although there has been no study on PMIPs, in the

present study, we identified and characterized a total of 126 MIP homologues from the genomes

of six *Phytophthora* species, which cause severe economic losses because of devastating effects

on numerous agriculturally and ornamentally important plants (Tyler et al., 2006; Haas et al.,

2009; Lamour et al., 2012; Thines, 2014; Fawke et al., 2015; Derevnina et al., 2016; Wang et

al., 2016). This study provided comparative information in context of genome-wide number,

subclasses or groups, structural insight, and evolution of PMIPs relative to those in taxonomic

groups.

*4.1. PMIPs are a new paradigm in microbial aquaporins*

Although the number of MIP homologues varies from organism to organism, plants

comparatively have more homologues than animals and microbes. Although bacterial genomes

have 1–2 and fugal and/or algal genomes have only 1–6 *MIP* genes (Wang et al., 2005;

Anderberg et al., 2011; Azad et al., 2011; Verma et al., 2014), this study showed that the

genomes of fungi-like *Phytophthora* species of oomycetes had 17–27 *MIP* genes (Tables 1-6).

The number of *MIP* genes in the genomes of *Phytophthora* species was higher than that even in

the human genome and almost similar to that in many plants (Maurel et al., 2015; Azad et al.,

2016; Potokar et al., 2016). The increase in the number of PMIPs might be have been caused by

gene duplication or horizontal gene transfer in addition to the polyploidy nature of *Phytophthora*

spp. (Bancroft, 2001; Moore and Purugganan, 2003; Bertier et al., 2013). More interestingly,

systematic searching and phylogenetic and structural analysis revealed that PMIPs were distinct

and did not cluster to those in taxonomic groups (Figures 2, 3). Data collectively indicated that

despite some fungal MIPs (Verma et al., 2014), PMIPs had distinct ar/R filter and FPs, and

substitution in the conserved NPA motifs in comparison with those in plants, animals, and algae

were divergent. The large numbers, phylogenetical and structural novelty of PMIPs reflected

their wide diversity in function and physiological relevance.

*4.2. Group-specific characteristic C-termini and consensus motifs likely to be associated with*

*novel functions*

The uneven length of N- and C-termini of PMIPs groups (Table 7, Supplementary Figure 3)

might have affected their interaction with other molecules or physical interaction for

heteromerization of PMIPs (Fetter et al., 2004; Yaneff et al., 2014) because the protein termini

were generally exposed on the surface of protein structures making them available for

interaction (Jacob and Unger, 2007; Tanco et al., 2015). The physical interaction through

heteromerization is one of the mechanisms for regulation of intrinsic permeability of MIPs

(Yaneff et al., 2014). The C-termini of proteins have been associated with diverse biological

functions and processes, such as membrane integration of proteins, protein activity, protein

sorting, post-translational modification, protein-protein interaction, or formation of protein

complexes (Chung et al., 2002; Azad et al., 2008; Tanco et al., 2015). The conserved positively

charged H residue in all PMIPs, which was included in the group-specific C-terminal motif

(Table 7), is a novel character not observed in other MIPs. Furthermore, despite MIPEs that are

enriched with negatively charged D and E residues, the C-termini in most PMIPs were enriched

with positively charged H, although its extent is group-specific (Supplementary Figure 3).

Therefore, the distinctive C-termini in PMIPs might be associated with protein sorting, protein-

protein interaction, post-translation modification, or other novel functions. KDEL, HDEL, or

KKXX motifs in the C-termini of proteins are involved in the retention of protein in the

endoplasmic reticulum and prevent them entering into the secretory pathway (Chung et al.,

2002; Capitani and Sallese, 2009; Tanco et al., 2015). The NIPs with unusual NPA motifs in LB

and LE, have a characteristic R-rich C-termini, which are not seen in NIPs with only one

unusual NPA motif, and the R-rich C-termini are thought to be involved in structural

stabilization of MIPs (Ishibashi, 2006; Worth and Blundell, 2010; Azad et al., 2016). Although a

subgroup of MIPCs with both unusual NPA motifs have no such R-rich C-termini, their

conserved RSxGPYE(Y/F) sequence would have been involved in the same function in addition

to the other aforementioned functions of C-termini because of having charged and

phosphorylatable residues. Similarly, MIPHs having both unusual NPA motifs would have

different functions because of the presence of comparatively more charged (20–40%) residues in

the last 10 amino acids of the C-termini (Supplementary Figure 3). In contrast, SIPs with only

one unusual NPA motif have K-rich C termini (Azad et al., 2016), which is a potential

endoplasmic retention signal (Ishibashi, 2006; Gomes et al., 2009). However, MIPEs-MIPGs

have no such K-rich C-termini. It is usually supposed that MIPs with unusual NPA motifs are

involved in non-aqua transport rather than water transport (Pommerrenig et al., 2015; Azad et

al., 2016). However, water transport activity has been demonstrated in two AtSIP1s, but not in

AtSIP2;1, and the latter is supposed to have non-aqua transport activity (Fetter et al., 2004).

497             Comparison of PMIPs with MIPs in other taxonomic groups revealed that the group-

specific motifs or consensus sequences in PMIPs shown in Table 7 are distinct from the

corresponding positions in MIPs of other domains of life (Supplementary Figure S2). However,

some of these motifs or consensus sequences are partly similar to some of the fungal MIPs.

Interestingly, the YxxxQ motif in TM3 is largely conserved in most MIPs of other taxonomic

groups. This might have important structural roles in MIPs as is reported for NPA motifs.

Some of the residues in the group-specific motif or consensus sequences are pore-lining

(Supplementary Figure 3), which in turn, may influence the transport profiles of PMIPs.

Experimentally proven non-aqua transporter MIPs in plants have substrate-specific signature

sequences (SSSS) or specificity-determining positions (SDPs) in the NPA regions, ar/R filters,

and FPs (Hove and Bhave, 2011; Azad et al., 2016). These SSSS and SDPs have been shown

to be used as tools to predict non-aqua transport profiles of plant MIPs (Hove and Bhave, 2011;

Azad et al., 2016; Azad et al. 2018). Based on the SSSS or SDPs in individual constrictions,

several PMIPs were predicted to be non-aqua transporters (Supplementary Table S3).

However, considering only the PMIPs commonly predicted by the SSSS or SDPs for all three

constrictions, no PMIP was predicted to be non-aqua transporter. This result indicated that the

SSSS and SDPs of PMIPs in the three constrictions might be structurally distinct, which in

turn, would have imparted novel functions to PMIPs. It will be interesting to conduct wet-lab

experiments to determine the transport activities and elucidate the structure-function

relationship of PMIPs.

*4.3. PMIPs could be attractive targets for anti-Phytophthora disease*

As previously mentioned, *Phytophthora* spp. have been identified to cause devastating diseases

in wide range of plants, including agriculturally and economically important crops, such as rice,

potato, tomato, wheat, rye, barley, and fruits (Fawke et al., 2015; Reeksting et al., 2016; Wang

et al., 2016). These plant pathogens display resistance to existing fungicides, indicating the

necessity of new drugs to eradicate *Phytophthora* from crops. To develop new drugs and

treatments, the physiology of these pathogenic *Phytophthora* need to be studied in detail,

specifically the significance of membrane transporters such as MIPs in plant-*Phytophthora*

interactions. Understanding the plant-*Phytophthora* interactions and the infection mechanism is

tremendously important and will aid in developing anti-*Phytophthora* drugs. MIPs are known to

transport water, glycerol, and other physiologically important small-uncharged solutes

(Chaumont and Tyerman, 2014; Afzal et al., 2016; Azad et al., 2016). Our present study

revealed that PMIPs are phylogenetically and structurally distinct from their counterpart in other

taxonomic domains (Figures 2, 3). The ar/R selectivity filter of PMIPs is unique and

hydrophobic in nature and is likely to transport novel hydrophobic solutes. The distinctive FPs

and group-specific consensus motifs (Figure 3, Table 7) further support the same notion that

PMIPs might have novel transport profiles, which might include essential interactors for plant-

*Phytophthora* interactions. The nature of molecules that are transported through PMIPs and the

role of group-specific consensus motifs that might have regulated the channel function must first

be experimentally investigated. Hence, PMIP channels in disease causing *Phytophthora* can be

considered as attractive drug target like some AQP modulators that are promising agents for the

treatment of human disorders (Huber et al., 2012). However, the revelation of 3D structures and

crystallographic information of PMIPs will broaden the understanding of drug design against

*Phytophthora*-mediated plant diseases.

**5. Conclusions**

After its discovery in the last decade of the twentieth century, the MIP has fascinated scientists

with its potential to aid in understanding the molecular physiology of organisms and

development of new innovative pharmacological agents for the treatment of human and plant

diseases, owing to their potential structure and functions. The host-pathogen interactions at

*Phytophthora*-induced infection require understanding at the molecular level. In this context,

understanding the evolution, structure, function, and diversity of PMIP channels might be very

significant. In the present study, a genome-wide identification of MIPs has been performed in

six *Phytophthora* species, which are devastating plant pathogens and members of oomycetes, a

distinct lineage of fungus-like eukaryotic microbes. Every *Phytophthora* genome encodes

several-fold MIP homologues compared to other eukaryotic microbes, such as fungi and algae,

even more than in the human genome, and a similar number of homologues as found in many

plants. The PMIPs were phylogenetically and structurally distinct from their counterparts in

other taxonomic domains. Sequence analysis and homology modeling studies indicated that the

ar/R selectivity filter, Froger's positions, and group-specific consensus sequences/motifs in

different loops and TM helices of PMIPs are distinct from those in other taxonomic domains.

The substitutions in the conserved NPA motifs of many PMIPs were also unique. The data

collectively support the notion that PMIPs might have novel functions and could be considered

attractive anti-*Phytophthora* targets. Currently, no functional studies are available on PMIPs.

The present study has provided a picture of PMIPs with distinct evolutionary relationships and

structural properties. However, wet-lab experiments are needed to find out the possible solutes

that are transported through the PMIP channels and the importance of these channels in the

*Phytophthora* life cycles.

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 **Figure legends**

**Figure 1.** Superposition of representative 3D models of PcaMIPC1;1 constructed with the

template AQP1 (red), GlpF (violet), and SoPIP2;1 (green). A and B are side and top views of

the superposed models, respectively. The 3D models of all PMIPs were first constructed

separately with AQP1, GlpF, and SoPIP2;1, and then the model of PcaMIPC1;1 as

representative of PMIPs was superposed. The TM α-helices (H1-H6) and loops (LA-LE) are

indicated. The NPA motifs in LB and LE are shown as sticks. The residues that form the

aromatic/arginine (ar/R) tetrad in the superposed structures are shown as sticks (B). The TM α-

helices and the loops to which these residues belong are indicated.

**Figure 2.** Evolutionary relationship of MIPs in the six *Phytophthora* species. Phylogenetic

analysis of all PMIPs from the six *Phytophthora* species is shown along with MIPs from *Populus*

*trichocarpa* (PtMPs; PtPIPs, PtTIPs, PtNIPs, PtSIPs, and PtXIPs), *Physcomitrella patens*

(PpMIPs), and human (MAQP), and five representative members from each of 10 subfamilies of

MIPs in fungi (Verma et al. 2014; AQPs, Alpha AQGPs, Beta AQGPs, Gamma 1 AQGPs,

Gamma 2 AQGPs, Delta AQGPs, Fps like AQGPs, XIPs, SIP-like Fungus MIP, and Yfl054-like

AQGPs) and all MIPs in the genomes of nine algae (Anderberg et al. 2011; all homologues start

with 'A'). The deduced amino acid sequences of MIPs were aligned using the Clustal Omega

computer program and a phylogenetic tree was constructed using MEGA. The evolutionary

history was inferred using the Bootstrap Neighbor-Joining (1000 replicates) method and the

genetic distance was estimated by the p-distance method. PMIPs are shown with cyan

background. All PMIPs, except PpaMIPI1;1, formed a distinct clade and did not cluster with any

subfamily or group of MIPs in plants, humans, fungi, or algae. Only PPaMIPI1;1 clustered with

fungal MIP Delta AQGPs.

**Figure 3.** Grouping of MIPs from *Phytophthora* species based on phylogeny showing ar/R selectivity filter, NPA motifs, FPs, and diameter in the ar/R selectivity filter region. The phylogenetic tree was generated as described in Figure 2. The residues in the ar/R selectivity filter, NPA motifs, and the FPs were selected from the 3D models, as well as from the alignment shown in Supplementary Figures S3. The pore diameter at the ar/R region, which is considered one of the reasons for transport selectivity, was determined as described in the methods and tabulated on the right side.

**Figure 4.** Gene structure of MIPs from *Phytophthora* species. Exon-intron organizations of *MIP* genes from *Phytophthora* species were depicted as described in the methods. The *PMIPs* having introns are mentioned in the second column. The six TM regions are shown as black bars and the loops B and E are shown in diamond shapes. The intron positions are indicated by inverted triangles. The number within the parenthesis in the first column indicates the total number of PMIP homologues.

**Figure 5.** Superposition of 3D models of representative PMIP homologues of group A, B, C, and H. The 3D models of all PMIPs were first constructed separately with SoPIP2;1, and then the models of PciMIPA1;1 (red), PciMIPB1;1 (green), PciMIPC1;1 (yellow), and PciMIPH1;2 (cyan) were superposed (A). The 3D models of PciMIPA1;1 (B), PciMIPB1;1 (C), PciMIPC1;1(D), and PciMIPH1;2 (E) were separately superposed with the template SoPIP2;1. The SoPIP2;1 is shown in green and the PMIP models are in red (B-E). The residues that form the aromatic/arginine (ar/R) tetrad in the superposed structures are shown as sticks. The TM α-helices and the loops to which these residues belong are indicated.

869 **Supplementary Figure S1: Grouping of MIPs from *Phytophthora* species based on**

870 **phylogeny.** The phylogenetic tree was generated as described in Figure 2. Each MIP group is

871 shown with a specific background color to distinguish them from others.

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873 **Supplementary Figure S2: Multiple alignment of MIPs shown in Figure 2.** The amino acid

874 sequences were aligned using the Clustal Omega program. The TM helices and the dual NPA

875 motifs are shown as gray and yellow, respectively. The residues in the ar/R selectivity filter and

876 FP are green and cyan boxed, respectively.

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**Supplementary Figure S3: Multiple sequence alignment of MIPs in the six *Phytophthora***

**species.** The amino acid sequences were aligned using the Clustal Omega program. Each MIP

group is shown with a specific background color to distinguish them from others. The TM

helices are shown within boxes with black lines and the dual NPA motifs are shown as gray.

The residues in the ar/R selectivity filter and FP are red and blue boxed, respectively. The region

of the TM helices and loops from which consensus sequences or motifs were depicted in Table 7

are green boxed. The pore-lining residues are indicated by arrows above the alignment and the

conserved residues are indicated by stars (*) at the bottom of the alignment.

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887 **Supplementary Table S1:** Predicted sub-cellular localization of PMIPs

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889 **Supplementary Table S2:** Average pairwise sequence identity and similarity between different

890 PMIP groups.

891 **Table 1:** *MIP* genes in *P infestans* identfed from the whole genome shortgun (WGS).

| Gene Name | Accession No. | | Genomic location | PPL (aa) | Maximum identity with MIP (%) in | | | | | Ka/Ks Value |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | **Fungi DB** | **NCBI** | | | Phytophthora | Human taxid 9606 | *A. thaliana* taxid 3702 | Fungi taxid 4751 | Algae taxid 3027 | |
| *PinMIPA1;1* | PITG_09354 | XP_002903624 | DS028131:2,512,989..2,513,854(+) | 263 | KUF83438 (83)[c] | BAA24864 (38) | OAO95087 (33) | XP_016613015 (47) | XP_005824571 (26) | 0.2387 |
| *PinMIPA1;2* | PITG_09355 | XP_002903625 | DS028131:2,546,498..2,547,370(+) | 290 | ETI40982 (96)[a] | BAA24864 (43) | NP_198598 (31) | XP_016613015 (51) | XP_005824571 (30) | 0.2434 |
| *PinMIPA1;3* | PITG_09356 | XP_002903626 | DS028131:2,548,127..2,549,032(+) | 301 | ETP38902 (93)[a] | EAW53211(43) | AAF30303 (31) | XP_016613015 (51) | XP_005824571 (29) | 0.4144 |
| *PinMIPB1;1* | PITG_09350 | XP_002903621 | DS028131:2,486,995..2,487,897(+) | 300 | XP_008894610 (95)[a] | XP_016870189(40) | NP_198597 (28) | XP_016613015 (47) | XP_005826812 (29) | 0.5579 |
| *PinMIPC1;1* | PITG_08296 | XP_002903694 | DS028130:793,924..794,826(+) | 300 | XP_002903695 (99)[b] | EAW53211 (39) | NP_174472 (29) | XP_016613015 (40) | XP_005824571 (28) | 0.1783 |
| *PinMIPC1;2* | PITG_08297 | XP_002903695 | DS028130:798,418..799,320(-) | 300 | XP_002903694 (99)[b] | EAW53211 (39) | NP_174472 (30) | XP_016613015 (41) | XP_005824571 (27) | 3.4424 |
| *PinMIPC1;3* | PITG_01100 | XP_002909619 | DS028118:6,345,258..6,347,464(-) | 364 | XP_002909620(81)[a] | XP_011508406 (37) | NP_198597 (29) | KIK26743 (40) | XP_005824571 (26) | 0.8084 |
| *PinMIPC1;4* | PITG_01101 | XP_002909620 | DS028118:6,347,827..6,348,720(+) | 297 | ETP27623 (98)[a] | EAW53211 (38) | NP_178191 (32) | KNE66934 (42) | XP_005824571 (26) | 0.4934 |
| *PinMIPD1;1* | PITG_09383 | XP_002903644 | DS028131:2,824,064..2,824,888(-) | 274 | XP_008894631(96)[a] | NP_066190 (42) | AAF30303 (33) | XP_016613015 (50) | XP_005824571 (30) | 0.1845 |
| *PinMIPD1;2* | PITG_09384 | XP_002903645 | DS028131:2,825,233..2,826,057(-) | 274 | ETO69638 (98)[a] | NP_066190 (42) | OAO95087 (32) | KNE66934 (47) | XP_005824571 (27) | 0.1479 |
| *PinMIPD1;3* | PITG_09386 | XP_002903646 | DS028131:2,830,938..2,831,762(+) | 274 | ETK81038 (98)[a] | NP_066190 (43) | NP_198598 (28) | KNE66934 (46) | XP_005824571 (27) | 0.118 |
| *PinMIPE1;1* | PITG_09203 | XP_002903501 | DS028131:1,363,292..1,364,282(-) | 295 | KUF89515 (93)[c] | NP_004916 (36) | OAO95087 (30) | XP_016613015 (40) | XP_005824571 (26) | 0.2632 |
| *PinMIPE1;2* | PITG_09204 | XP_002903502 | DS028131:1,364,676..1,365,540(-) | 270 | XP_008894432(89)[a] | BAA24864 (40) | NP_174472 (31) | XP_016613015 (44) | XP_005824571 (30) | 0.2192 |
| *PinMIPF1;1* | PITG_09091 | XP_002903420 | DS028131:283,842..284,768(+) | 308 | ETP11188 (96)[a] | BAA24864 (40) | OAP08944 (33) | XP_016613015 (43) | XP_005824571 (28) | 0.4186 |
| *PinMIPG1;1* | PITG_09197 | XP_002903496 | DS028131:1,281,315..1,282,223(-) | 302 | ETO69869 (87)[a] | NP_066190 (39) | AAM61294 (30) | XP_016613015 (49) | XP_005824571 (27) | 0.2059 |
| *PinMIPG1;2* | PITG_09196 | XP_002903495 | DS028131:1,266,835..1,267,745(-) | 272 | KUF89527 (85)[c] | CAG46822 (39) | CAA68906 (30) | CDO57616 (46) | XP_005824571 (25) | 0.2134 |
| *PinMIPG1;3* | PITG_09193 | XP_002903492 | DS028131:1,254,794..1,255,735(-) | 313 | ETP10991(95)[a] | EAW53211 (39) | AAM61294 (31) | XP_016613015 (50) | XP_005826794 (28) | 0.1653 |

893 PPL: polypeptide length, aa: amino acid.

894 [a]*P. parasitica,* [b]*P. infestans,* [c]*P. nicotianae*

895 Parenthesis indicates the percentage of identity at the amino acid level

**Table 2: *MIP* genes in *P. parasitica* identfed from the whole genome shortgun (WGS).**

| Gene Name | Accession No. | | Genomic location | PPL (aa) | Maximum identity with MIP (%) in | | | | | Ka/Ks Value |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Fungi DB | NCBI | | | Phytophthora | Human taxid 9606 | *A. thaliana* taxid 3702 | Fungi taxid 4751 | Algae taxid 3027 | |
| *PpaMIPA1;1* | PPTG_21368 | XP_008894870 | KI669564:2,505,888..2,508,408(-) | 294 | ETM40999 (99)[b] | BAA24864 (43) | OAO95087 (33) | XP_016613015 (51) | XP_005824571 (31) | 0.242 |
| *PpaMIPA1;2* | PPTG_03679 | XP_008894612 | KI669564:2,503,959..2,504,957(-) | 290 | ETI40982 (99)[b] | BAA24864 (43) | NP_198598 (31) | XP_016613015 (51) | XP_005824571 (29) | 0.3506 |
| *PpaMIPA1;3* | PPTG_03683 | XP_008894614 | KI669564:2,516,194..2,517,439(+) | 311 | KUF81753 (99)[a] | BAA24864 (43) | NP_174472 (33) | XP_016613015 (51) | XP_005824571 (30) | 0.28 |
| *PpaMIPA1;4* | PPTG_03678 | XP_008894611 | KI669564:2,502,439..2,503,474(-) | 301 | ETP38902 (99)[b] | BAA24864 (42) | OAO95087 (31) | XP_016613015 (50) | XP_005824571 (29) | 0.2414 |
| *PpaMIPB1;1* | PPTG_03677 | XP_008894610 | KI669564:2,500,793..2,501,695(+) | 300 | XP_002903621(99)[c] | NP_066190 (38) | NP_198597 (29) | XP_016613015 (47) | XP_005826812 (29) | 0.4847 |
| *PpaMIPC1;1* | PPTG_12775 | XP_008908228 | KI669595:679,441..680,883(-) | 300 | ETI42987 (99)[b] | EAW53211 (42) | NP_174472 (31) | XP_016613015 (42) | XP_005824571 (28) | 0.3463 |
| *PpaMIPC1;2* | PPTG_10261 | XP_008903172 | KI669579:270,346..271,914(-) | 296 | XP_008903173 (99)[b] | EAW53211 (39) | NP_178191 (31) | KNE66934 (42) | XP_005824571 (26) | 0.6476 |
| *PpaMIPC1;3* | PPTG_10262 | XP_008903173 | KI669579:273,175..274,136(+) | 296 | ETP27623 (99)[b] | EAW53211 (39) | NP_178191 (31) | KNE66934 (42) | XP_005824571 (26) | 0 |
| *PpaMIPD1;1* | PPTG_03700 | XP_008894631 | KI669564:2,594,866..2,595,834(-) | 274 | ETK81036 (99)[b] | BAA24864 (43) | NP_174472 (33) | XP_015224218 (46) | XP_005824571 (30) | 0.226 |
| *PpaMIPD1;2* | PPTG_03701 | XP_008894632 | KI669564:2,595,983..2,596,984(-) | 274 | ETP38884 (99)[b] | BAA24864 (41) | AAM65333 (31) | KNE66934 (48) | XP_005824571 (26) | 0.1461 |
| *PpaMIPD1;3* | PPTG_03702 | XP_008894633 | KI669564:2,598,571..2,599,395(+) | 274 | KUF96448 (99)[a] | BAA24864 (43) | NP_198598 (29) | KNE66934 (46) | 005824571 (27) | 0.1638 |
| *PpaMIPE1;1* | PPTG_03509 | XP_008894431 | KI669564:1,787,887..1,789,461(-) | 328 | ETL87939 (99)[b] | CAG46822 (40) | NP_198597 (30) | XP_016613015 (44) | XP_005824571 (26) | 0.2602 |
| *PpaMIPE1;2* | PPTG_03510 | XP_008894432 | KI669564:1,789,897..1,790,946(-) | 349 | XP_002903502 (89)[c] | NP_066190 (42) | NP_174472 (29) | XP_016613015 (45) | XP_005824571 (29) | 0.2728 |
| *PpaMIPF1;1* | PPTG_03354 | XP_008894280 | KI669564:1,303,524..1,305,303(+) | 309 | KUF92657 (99)[a] | NP_536354 (41) | AAM61294 (30) | XP_016613015 (42) | XP_005824571 (29) | 0.3905 |
| *PpaMIPF1;2* | PPTG_03358 | XP_008894285 | KI669564:1,314,285..1,315,223(+) | 312 | ETP39322 (99)[b] | NP_536354 (40) | OAP08944.1 (32) | XP_018224918 (43) | XP_005824571 (28) | 0.2058 |
| *PpaMIPF1;3* | PPTG_03512 | XP_008894434 | KI669564:1,792,870..1,793,826(-) | 318 | ETL87944 (99)[b] | NP_066190 (41) | AAM61294 (31) | XP_016613015 (41) | XP_005824571 (28) | 0.3234 |
| *PpaMIPG1;1* | PPTG_03508 | XP_008894430 | KI669564:1,785,403..1,786,911(-) | 311 | ETO69869 (99)[b] | EAW53211 (41) | AAM61294 (31) | XP_016613015 (50) | XP_005824571 (27) | 0.2455 |
| *PpaMIPG1;2* | PPTG_03502 | XP_008894424 | KI669564:1,774,974..1,776,155(-) | 298 | ETO69896 (99)[b] | EAW53211 (43) | NP_174472 (32) | XP_016613015 (49) | XP_005836263 (32) | 0.286 |
| *PpaMIPG1;3* | PPTG_03507 | XP_008894429 | KI669564:1,784,034..1,785,409(-) | 346 | ETI41209 (99)[b] | NP_004916 (43) | NP_198597 (27) | XP_016613015 (45) | XP_005824571 (25) | 0.425 |
| *PpaMIPG1;4* | PPTG_03504 | XP_008894426 | KI669564:1,780,246..1,781,526(+) | 317 | ETP10991 (99)[b] | EAW53211 (38) | AAM61294 (30) | XP_016613015 (46) | XP_005826794 (28) | 0.2374 |
| *PpaMIPH1;1* | PPTG_03511 | XP_008894433 | KI669564:1,791,348..1,792,473(-) | 322 | KUF89513 (95)[a] | BAA24864 (35) | NP_198597 (26) | XP_016613015 (36) | XP_005840893 (25) | 0.6009 |
| *PpaMIPI1;1* | PPTG_14248 | XP_008909057 | KI669599:124,031..125,191(-) | 386 | ETL88792 (99)[b] | NP_536354 (26) | CAA16760 (27) | OAJ43010 (34) | XP_005826812 (26) | 0.6177 |

PPL: polypeptide length, aa: amino acid; [a]*P. nicotianae,* [b]*P. parasitica,* [c]*P. infestans;* parenthesis indicates the percentage of identity at the amino acid level

**Table 3: *MIP* genes in *P. sojae* identfed from the whole genome shortgun (WGS).**

| Gene Name | Accession No. | | Genomic location | PPL (aa) | Maximum identity with MIP (%) in | | | | | Ka/Ks Value |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Fungi DB | NCBI | | | Phytophthora | Human taxid 9606 | *A. thaliana* taxid 3702 | Fungi taxid 4751 | Algae taxid 3027 | |
| *PsoMIPA1;1* | PHYSODRAFT_339641 | XP_009535925 | JH159160:2,208,709..2,209,590(-) | 293 | XP_009535926 (92)[b] | CAG46822 (48) | OAO95087 (30) | XP_016613015 (52) | XP_005824571 (31) | 0.1184 |
| *PsoMIPA1;2* | PHYSODRAFT_288735 | XP_009535926 | JH159160:2,210,235..2,211,326(-) | 294 | KUF83438 (92)[d] | NP_004916(45) | OAO95087 (32) | XP_016613015 (52) | XP_005824571 (30) | 0.247 |
| *PsoMIPA1;3* | PHYSODRAFT_525185 | XP_009535924 | JH159160:2,206,900..2,207,772(-) | 290 | ETI40982 (96)[a] | CAG46822 (48) | XP_016613015 (52) | XP_016613015 (52) | XP_005824571 (31) | 0.373 |
| *PsoMIPA1;4* | PHYSODRAFT_525056 | XP_009535927 | JH159160:2,214,127..2,215,062(+) | 311 | ETP38886 (86)[a] | EAW53211(42) | NP_198597 (31) | XP_016613015 (46) | XP_005824571 (30) | 0.2643 |
| *PsoMIPA1;5* | PHYSODRAFT_525520 | XP_009535923 | JH159160:2,205,229..2,206,137(-) | 302 | XP_002903626(80)[c] | NP_004916(45) | OAO95087(31) | XP_016613015(49) | XP_005824571(30) | 0.2899 |
| *PsoMIPB1;1* | PHYSODRAFT_355956 | XP_009535922 | JH159160:2,203,313..2,204,352(+) | 300 | XP_008894610(88)[a] | NP_001161 (38) | NP_198597 (28) | XP_016613015 (44) | XP_005826812 (29) | 0.6376 |
| *PsoMIPC1;1* | PHYSODRAFT_330305 | XP_009525250 | JH159153:10,045,045..10,045,959(+) | 304 | XP_009529571 (75)[b] | EAW53211(40) | NP_174472 (33) | XP_016613015 (39) | XP_005824571(30) | 0.2843 |
| *PsoMIPC1;2* | PHYSODRAFT_334026 | XP_009529571 | JH159155:4,679,293..4,680,189(+) | 298 | XP_008908228 (95)[a] | NP_536354(40) | CAA68906 (31) | XP_016613015 (40) | XP_005824571 (28) | 0.2371 |
| *PsoMIPC1;3* | PHYSODRAFT_468333 | XP_009514460 | JH159151:2,362,247..2,363,155(-) | 302 | XP_009514453 (75)[b] | CAG46822 (42) | NP_198597 (27) | XP_016613015 (40) | XP_005824571 (26) | 0.3452 |
| *PsoMIPC1;4* | PHYSODRAFT_477070 | XP_009514453 | JH159151:2,342,386..2,343,285(-) | 299 | XP_002909620 (83)[a] | EAW53211(38) | NP_198597 (27) | KNE66934 (41) | XP_005824571 (25) | 0.461 |
| *PsoMIPD1;1* | PHYSODRAFT_525349 | XP_009535952 | JH159160:2,282,738..2,283,562(-) | 274 | XP_008894631 (97)[a] | BAA24864 (43) | AAF30303 (32) | XP_016613015 (50) | XP_005824571 (30) | 0.4964 |
| *PsoMIPD1;2* | PHYSODRAFT_524483 | XP_009535953 | JH159160:2,283,997..2,284,821(-) | 274 | XP_002903645 (96)[c] | BAA24864 (42) | OAO95087 (32) | KNE66934 (49) | XP_005824571 (25) | 0.2716 |
| *PsoMIPD1;3* | PHYSODRAFT_339665 | XP_009535954 | JH159160:2,286,447..2,287,271(+) | 274 | ETK81038 (95)[a] | BAA24864 (41) | NP_198598 (29) | KNE66934 (47) | XP_005824571 (26) | 0.158 |
| *PsoMIPE1;1* | PHYSODRAFT_339490 | XP_009535744 | JH159160:1,691,393..1,692,387(-) | 319 | ETL87939 (82)[a] | NP_536354(36) | NP_198597 (29) | XP_016613015 (47) | XP_005826794 (25) | 0.361 |
| *PsoMIPF1;1* | PHYSODRAFT_252268 | XP_009535532 | JH159160:1,090,627..1,091,388(+) | 253 | ETP11188 (88)[a] | CAG46822 (41) | AAM61294 (32) | XP_016613015 (47) | XP_005826812 (31) | 0.1857 |
| *PsoMIPF1;2* | PHYSODRAFT_259896 | XP_009535755 | JH159160:1,719,459..1,720,510(+) | 340 | XP_009535748 (71)[b] | BAA24864 (39) | OAP08944 (32) | XP_016613015 (39) | XP_005826812 (31) | 0.2486 |
| *PsoMIPF1;3* | PHYSODRAFT_549775 | XP_009535748 | JH159160:1,700,410..1,703,096(-) | 323 | XP_008894434 (88)[a] | EAW53211(41) | NP_198597 (30) | XP_016613015 (49) | XP_005826794 (25) | 0.3053 |
| *PsoMIPG1;1* | PHYSODRAFT_355937 | XP_009535743 | JH159160:1,687,843..1,688,930(-) | 304 | ETO69869 (89)[a] | NP_066190(40) | NP_174472 (30) | XP_016613015 (52) | XP_005824571 (27) | 0.6348 |
| *PsoMIPG1;2* | PHYSODRAFT_524694 | XP_009535734 | JH159160:1,659,268..1,660,167(-) | 299 | KUF84847 (91)[d] | EAW53211(41) | NP_180986 (29) | XP_016613015 (48) | XP_005824571 (25) | 0.3263 |
| *PsoMIPG1;3* | PHYSODRAFT_549767 | XP_009535742 | JH159160:1,685,479..1,686,495(-) | 265 | ETI41209 (93)[a] | CAG46822 (44) | NP_198597 (28) | XP_016613015 (46) | XP_005824571 (24) | 0.1758 |
| *PsoMIPG1;4* | PHYSODRAFT_355919 | XP_009535727 | JH159160:1,644,341..1,647,821(-) | 312 | KUF89525 (89)[d] | EAW53211(40) | AAM61294 (30) | XP_016613015 (46) | XP_005826794 (28) | 0.4995 |
| *PsoMIPG1;5* | PHYSODRAFT_339474 | XP_009535728 | JH159160:1,647,826..1,648,716(-) | 296 | KUG01632 (89)[d] | EAW53211 (39) | AAM61294 (30) | XP_016613015 (48) | XP_005826794 (28) | 0.5854 |
| *PsoMIPG1;6* | PHYSODRAFT_549764 | XP_009535739 | JH159160:1,671,210..1,672,275(-) | 322 | XP_009535740 (97)[b] | EAW53211 (39) | NP_192776 (30) | XP_016613015 (51) | XP_005826794 (28) | 0.3187 |
| *PsoMIPG1;7* | PHYSODRAFT_524365 | XP_009535740 | JH159160:1,682,070..1,683,032(+) | 320 | XP_009535739 (97)[b] | EAW53211(40) | NP_198597 (29) | XP_016613015 (50) | XP_005826794 (27) | 0.1838 |
| *PsoMIPG1;8* | PHYSODRAFT_451744 | XP_009535736 | JH159160:1,664,850..1,665,770(-) | 307 | XP_009535737 (99)[b] | CAG46822 (40) | NP_198597 (29) | XP_016613015 (49) | XP_005824571 (25) | 0 |
| *PsoMIPG1;9* | PHYSODRAFT_452243 | XP_009535737 | JH159160:1,666,625..1,667,545(+) | 307 | XP_009535736 (99)[b] | CAG46822 (40) | NP_198597 (29) | XP_016613015 (49) | XP_005824571 (25) | 1.6327 |
| *PsoMIPH1;1* | PHYSODRAFT_259868 | XP_009535754 | JH159160:1,717,811..1,718,779(+) | 247 | XP_008894433 (54)[c] | BAA24864 (33) | AAM61294 (28) | XP_016613015 (33) | XP_005824571 (26) | 0.4791 |

906     PPL: polypeptide length, aa: amino acid; [a]*P. parasitica*, [b]*P. sojae*, [c]*P. infestans*, [d]*P. nicotianae,* parenthesis indicates the percentage of identity at the amino acid level

**907** **Table 4: *MIP* genes in *P. ramorum* identfed from the whole genome shortgun (WGS).**

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| Gene Name | Accession No. | | Genomic location | PPL (aa) | Maximum identity with MIP (%) in | | | | | Ka/Ks Value |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Fungi DB | NCBI | | | Phytophthora | Human taxid 9606 | *A. thaliana* taxid 3702 | Fungi taxid 4751 | Algae taxid 3027 | |
| *PraMIPA1;1* | PSURA_84475 | - | PramPr-102_SC0114:47,366..48,247(-) | 293 | KUF83438 (92)[d] | BAA24864 (41) | NP_198598 (31) | XP_016613015 (31) | XP_005824571 (29) | 0.1842 |
| *PraMIPA1;2* | PSURA_84474 | - | PramPr-102_SC0114:45,578..46,447(-) | 289 | ETI40982 (96)[a] | BAA24864 (35) | NP_198598 (31) | XP_016613015 (49) | XP_005824571 (27) | 0.171 |
| *PraMIPA1;3* | PSURA_84476 | - | PramPr-102_SC0114:50,260..51,177(-) | 305 | ETP38886.1 (88)[a] | EAW53211 (41) | NP_198597 (30) | XP_016613015 (45) | XP_005826794 (27) | 0.2641 |
| *PraMIPB1;1* | PSURA_72233 | - | PramPr-102_SC0114:42,371..43,273(+) | 300 | XP_008894610 (94)[a] | NP_066190 (38) | NP_198597 (29) | XP_016613015 (46) | XP_005826812 (30) | 0.5878 |
| *PraMIPC1;1* | PSURA_71169 | - | PramPr-102_SC0006:392,090..392,875(+) | 261 | XP_008908228 (94)[a] | EAW53211 (40) | AAM61294 (31) | XP_016613015 (41) | XP_005824571 (27) | 0.439 |
| *PraMIPC1;2* | PSURA_72183 | - | PramPr-102_SC0102:39,914..40,669(-) | 251 | XP_009514460 (94)[b] | CAG46822 (41) | AAM61294 (31) | XP_016613015 (39) | XP_005824571 (25) | 0.1716 |
| *PraMIPC1;3* | PSURA_72182 | - | PramPr-102_SC0102:33,841..34,596(+) | 251 | XP_009514453 (84)[b] | CAG46822 (41) | AAM61294 (30) | KNE66934 (42) | XP_005824571 (28) | 0.212 |
| *PraMIPD1;1* | PSURA_72235 | - | PramPr-102_SC0114:104,901..105,626(-) | 241 | XP_009535952 (96)[b] | BAA24864 (44) | NP_174472 (33) | XP_016613015 (50) | XP_005824571 (30) | 0.1736 |
| *PraMIPD1;2* | PSURA_72236 | - | PramPr-102_SC0114:106,106..106,930(-) | 274 | XP_002903645 (96)[c] | NP_066190 (40) | OAO95087 (31) | XP_016613015 (49) | XP_005824571 (26) | 0.1811 |
| *PraMIPD1;3* | PSURA_72237 | - | PramPr-102_SC0114:108,512..109,339(+) | 275 | XP_009535954 (95)[b] | NP_066190 (41) | NP_198598 (29) | KNE66934 (47) | XP_005824571 (26) | 0.2497 |
| *PraMIPE1;1* | PSURA_80174 | - | PramPr-102_SC0046:362,803..363,804(+) | 333 | XP_008894431 (87)[a] | BAA24864 (40) | NP_198597 (32) | XP_016613015 (50) | XP_005824571 (26) | 0.4705 |
| *PraMIPF1;1* | PSURA_95006 | - | PramPr-102_SC0029:82,759..83,706(+) | 315 | ETP11188 (80)[a] | BAA24864 (39) | AAM61294 (31) | XP_016613015 (47) | XP_005824571 (27) | 0.1983 |
| *PraMIPF1;2* | PSURA_80164 | - | PramPr-102_SC0046:326,376..327,332(+) | 318 | ETP11188 (83)[a] | BAA24864 (38) | AAM61294 (31) | XP_016613015 (44) | XP_005824571 (28) | 0.2214 |
| *PraMIPG1;1* | PSURA_71778 | - | PramPr-102_SC0046:367,948..368,772(-) | 274 | ETO69869 (93)[a] | NP_536354 (42) | AAM61294 (30) | XP_016613015 (51) | XP_005824571 (27) | 0.2148 |
| *PraMIPG1;2* | PSURA_87677 | - | PramPr-102_SC2368:1,241..2,140(-) | 299 | XP_009535734 (93)[b] | EAW53211 (41) | NP_180986 (31) | XP_016613015 (49) | XP_005826794 (25) | 0 |
| *PraMIPG1;3* | PSURA_72426 | - | PramPr-102_SC0716:5,808..6,707(-) | 299 | XP_009535734 (93)[b] | EAW53211(41) | NP_180986 (31) | XP_016613015 (49) | XP_005824571 (25) | 0 |
| *PraMIPG1;4* | PSURA_71777 | - | PramPr-102_SC0046:365,813..366,649(-) | 278 | ETI41209 (91)[a] | CAG46822 (42) | NP_198597 (31) | XP_016613015 (46) | XP_005841067 (30) | 0.29 |
| *PraMIPG1;5* | PSURA_72419 | - | PramPr-102_SC0660:6,538..7,374(+) | 278 | KUF89525.1 (91)[d] | EAW53211(41) | AAM61294(29) | XP_016613015 (48) | XP_005826794 (28) | 0.252 |
| *PraMIPG1;6* | PSURA_72425 | - | PramPr-102_SC0716:955..1,704(-) | 249 | XP_009535728 (92)[b] | NP_004916 (43) | NP_192776 (31) | XP_016613015 (49) | XP_005826794 (28) | 0.4837 |

**909** PPL: polypeptide length, aa: amino acid; [a]*P. parasitica*, [b]*P. sojae*, [c]*P. infestans* , [d]*P. nicotianae;* Parenthesis indicates the percentage of identity at the amino acid level

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**Table 5: *MIP* genes in *P. capsici* identfed from the whole genome shortgun (WGS).**

| Gene Name | Accession No. | | Genomic location | PPL (aa) | Maximum identity with MIP (%) in | | | | | Ka/Ks Value |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Fungi DB | NCBI | | | Phytophthora | Human taxid 9606 | *A. thaliana* taxid 3702 | Fungi taxid 4751 | Algae taxid 3027 | |
| *PcaMIPA1;1* | PHYCA_530062 | - | PcapLT1534_SC054:141,263..142,555(-) | 293 | KUF83438 (95)[d] | CAG46822 (45) | OAO95087 (32) | XP_016613015 (51) | XP_005824571 (32) | 0.288 |
| *PcaMIPA1;2* | PHYCA_510138 | - | PcapLT1534_SC054:139,634..140,630(-) | 288 | XP_009535925 (94)[b] | CAG46822 (44) | OAO95087 (33) | XP_016613015 (51) | XP_005824571 (31) | 0.2203 |
| *PcaMIPA1;3* | PHYCA_553594 | - | PcapLT1534_SC054:138,017..138,944(-) | 291 | XP_009535924 (96)[b] | NP_066190 (43) | OAO95087 (32) | XP_016613015 (51) | XP_005824571 (31) | 0.1602 |
| *PcaMIPA1;4* | PHYCA_553588 | - | PcapLT1534_SC054:136,640..137,545(-) | 301 | ETP38902 (90)[a] | EAW53211 (43) | NP_178191 (32) | XP_016613015 (48) | XP_005824571 (30) | 0.4023 |
| *PcaMIPC1;1* | PHYCA_6911 | - | PcapLT1534_SC015:427,750..438,233(-) | 280 | XP_008908228 (87)[a] | EAW53211 (35) | NP_567572 (30) | XP_016613015 (39) | XP_005824571 (29) | 0.425 |
| *PcaMIPC1;2* | PHYCA_123018 | - | PcapLT1534_SC049:168,741..169,683(+) | 297 | XP_009514460 (90)[b] | EAW53211 (38) | NP_198597 (26) | XP_016613015 (40) | XP_005824571 (26) | 0.2412 |
| *PcaMIPC1;3* | PHYCA_509760 | - | PcapLT1534_SC049:192,973..193,950(+) | 299 | XP_002909620 (91)[c] | EAW53211 (39) | NP_198597 (27) | KNE66934 (40) | XP_005824571 (26) | 0.3848 |
| *PcaMIPD1;1* | PHYCA_553631 | - | PcapLT1534_SC054:213,802..214,626(-) | 274 | XP_009535952 (97)[b] | BAA24864 (42) | AAF30303 (32) | XP_016613015 (50) | XP_005824571 (30) | 0.2115 |
| *PcaMIPD1;2* | PHYCA_510151 | - | PcapLT1534_SC054:214,814..215,848(-) | 274 | XP_002903645 (97)[c] | NP_066190 (42) | NP_198597 (33) | KNE66934 (48) | XP_005824571 (27) | 0.1879 |
| *PcaMIPD1;3* | PHYCA_124758 | - | PcapLT1534_SC054:222,559..223,383(+) | 274 | ETK81038 (96)[a] | BAA24864 (42) | NP_001330234 (29) | KNE66934 (47) | XP_005824571 (27) | 0.2442 |
| *PcaMIPE1;1* | PHYCA_130684 | - | PcapLT1534_SC096:30,774..31,649(-) | 291 | XP_008894431 (95)[a] | CAG46822 (41) | OAO95087(31) | XP_016613015 (46) | XP_005824571 (27) | 0.2135 |
| *PcaMIPE1;2* | PHYCA_130620 | - | PcapLT1534_SC096:32,191..33,045(-) | 284 | XP_008894432 (92)[a] | BAA24864 (39) | NP_174472 (29) | XP_016613015 (46) | XP_005824571 (28) | 0.2094 |
| *PcaMIPF1;1* | PHYCA_125677 | - | PcapLT1534_SC059:215,629..216,567(+) | 312 | ETP11193 (88)[a] | NP_001161 (38) | OAP08944 (33) | XP_016613015 (41) | XP_005824571 (30) | 0.2323 |
| *PcaMIPF1;2* | PHYCA_130673 | - | PcapLT1534_SC096:35,031..35,984(-) | 317 | XP_008894434 (86)[a] | BAA24864 (42) | AAM61294 (29) | XP_016613015 (42) | XP_005826812 (31) | 0.2055 |
| *PcaMIPG1;1* | PHYCA_511729 | - | PcapLT1534_SC096:27,663..28,733(-) | 274 | ETO69869 (93)[a] | EAW53211 (41) | AAM61294 (32) | XP_016613015 (52) | XP_005824571 (28) | 0.188 |
| *PcaMIPG1;2* | PHYCA_511737 | - | PcapLT1534_SC096:84,419..89,905(-) | 300 | XP_009535734 (92)[b] | EAW53211 (41) | AAM61294 (31) | XP_016613015 (51) | XP_005824571 (25) | 0.2582 |
| *PcaMIPG1;3* | PHYCA_511725 | - | PcapLT1534_SC096:15,964..17,034(-) | 304 | ETI41209 (87)[a] | NP_004916 (39) | CAA68906 (29) | XP_016613015 (44) | XP_005841067 (32) | 0.1959 |
| *PcaMIPG1;4* | PHYCA_512201 | - | PcapLT1534_SC669:271..1,219(+) | 297 | XP_009535 27 (80)[b] | EAW53211 (38) | AAM61294 (29) | CDO57616 (46) | XP_005826794 (28) | 0.2401 |
| *PcaMIPG1;5* | PHYCA_130634 | - | PcapLT1534_SC096:96,478..97,393(+) | 268 | XP_009535727 (85)[b] | EAW53211 (38) | NP_192776 (27) | XP_016613015 (42) | XP_005826794 (27) | 0.6911 |

915 PPL: polypeptide length, aa: amino acid; [a]*P. parasitica,* [b]*P. sojae,* [c]*P. infestans,* [d]*P. nicotianae;* parenthesis indicates the percentage of identity at the amino acid level

**Table 6: *MIP* genes in *P. cinnamomi* identfed from the whole genome shortgun (WGS).**

| Gene Name | Accession No. | | Genomic location | PPL (aa) | Maximum identity with MIP (%) in | | | | | Ka/Ks Value |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Fungi DB | NCBI | | | Phytophthora | Human taxid 9606 | *A. thaliana* taxid 3702 | Fungi taxid 4751 | Algae taxid 3027 | |
| *PciMIPA1;1* | PHYCI_94066 | - | PcinCBS144-22_SC0062:223,255..224,286(+) | 294 | XP_009535926 (94)[a] | CAG46822 (45) | NP_198598(30) | XP_016613015 (52) | XP_005824571 (29) | 0.3049 |
| *PciMIPA1;2* | PHYCI_94067 | - | PcinCBS144-22_SC0062:224,851..225,867(+) | 293 | XP_009535925 (91)[a] | BAA24864 (44) | OAO95087 (32) | XP_016613015 (51) | XP_005824571 (30) | 0.1199 |
| *PciMIPA1;3* | PHYCI_229810 | - | PcinCBS144-22_SC0062:226,809..227,681(+) | 290 | ETI40982 (97)[c] | CAG46822 (47) | NP_198598 (31) | XP_016613015 (52) | XP_005824571 (30) | 0.1787 |
| *PciMIPA1;4* | PHYCI_9455 | - | PcinCBS144-22_SC0062:220,189..222,911(+) | 381 | XP_009535927 (76)[a] | NP_004916 (39) | OAO95087 (28) | XP_016613015 (44) | XP_005824571 (28) | 0.3056 |
| *PciMIPA1;5* | PHYCI_313549 | - | PcinCBS144-22_SC0062:228,193..229,286(+) | 301 | XP_009535923 (89)[a] | BAA2486 (45) | OAO95087 (31) | XP_016613015 (49) | XP_005824571 (30) | 0.3364 |
| *PciMIPB1;1* | PHYCI_229797 | - | PcinCBS144-22_SC0062:231,204..232,106(-) | 300 | XP_009535922 (91)[a] | NP_066190 (37) | NP_198597 (29) | XP_016613015 (46) | XP_005826812 (29) | 0.8309 |
| *PciMIPC1;1* | PHYCI_93687 | - | PcinCBS144-22_SC0055:271,156..272,257(-) | 298 | XP_009529571 (96)[a] | EAW53211 (39) | NP_567572 (29) | XP_016613015 (39) | XP_005824571 (26) | 0.331 |
| *PciMIPC1;2* | PHYCI_91871 | - | PcinCBS144-22_SC0024:340,304..341,393(-) | 302 | XP_009514460 (95)[a] | NP_004916 (41) | NP_198597 (25) | ESA22038(40) | XP_005824571 (26) | 0.1932 |
| *PciMIPC1;3* | PHYCI_91869 | - | PcinCBS144-22_SC0024:333,891..335,020(+) | 299 | XP_009514453 (97)[a] | EAW53211 (38) | NP_198597 (26) | KNE66934 (39) | XP_005824571 (24) | 0.486 |
| *PciMIPD1;1* | PHYCI_313498 | - | PcinCBS144-22_SC0062:137,089..138,034(+) | 274 | XP_009535952 (99)[a] | BAA24864 (43) | AAF30303 (32) | XP_016613015 (50) | XP_005824571 (30) | 0.2961 |
| *PciMIPD1;2* | PHYCI_94042 | - | PcinCBS144-22_SC0062:135,806..136,774(+) | 275 | XP_002903645 (97)[b] | NP_066190 (41) | OAO95087 (33) | KNE66934 (48) | XP_005824571 (26) | 0.2372 |
| *PciMIPD1;3* | PHYCI_9427 | - | PcinCBS144-22_SC0062:133,313..134,252(-) | 289 | XP_009535954 (97)[a] | NP_066190 (41) | NP_198598 (30) | KNE66934 (47) | XP_005824571 (26) | 0.1816 |
| *PciMIPE1;1* | PHYCI_254750 | - | PcinCBS144-22_SC0271:71,261..72,250(+) | 329 | XP_009535744 (88)[a] | EAW53211 (40) | NP_198597 (32) | XP_016613015 (44) | XP_005824571(27) | 0.2887 |
| *PciMIPE1;2* | PHYCI_254766 | - | PcinCBS144-22_SC0271:69,814..70,674(+) | 265 | XP_002903502 (88)[b] | BAA24864 (38) | NP_174472 (31) | XP_016613015 (43) | XP_005824571 (29) | 0.194 |
| *PciMIPF1;1* | PHYCI_92025 | - | PcinCBS144-22_SC0027:233,171..234,286(-) | 314 | ETP11188.1 (83)[c] | BAA24864 (38) | OAP08944(32) | XP_016613015 (46) | XP_005824571 (27) | 0.243 |
| *PciMIPF1;2* | PHYCI_437341 | - | PcinCBS144-22_SC0271:58,255..59,614(-) | 311 | ETP11188 (79)[c] | NP_066190 (39) | AAM61294 (32) | XP_016613015 (46) | XP_005824571 (25) | 0.2497 |
| *PciMIPF1;3* | PHYCI_328142 | - | PcinCBS144-22_SC0271:66,502..67,452(+) | 316 | XP_009535748 (88)[a] | BAA24864 (40) | AAM61294 (30) | XP_016613015 (41) | XP_005824571 (26) | 0.3537 |
| *PciMIPG1;1* | PHYCI_98973 | - | PcinCBS144-22_SC0271:77,191..78,471(+) | 360 | ETI41209 (84)[c] | NP_004916 (39) | NP_198597 (29) | XP_016613015 (43) | XP_005841067 (30) | 0.2493 |
| *PciMIPG1;2* | PHYCI_319932 | - | PcinCBS144-22_SC0114:181,147..182,144(+) | 302 | XP_009535727 (88)[a] | NP_004916 (43) | AAM61294 (30) | XP_016613015 (45) | XP_005824571 (25) | 0.211 |
| *PciMIPG1;3* | PHYCI_319929 | - | PcinCBS144-22_SC0114:178,016..179,052(-) | 314 | XP_008894426 (86)[c] | EAW53211 (39) | NP_192776 (29) | XP_016613015 (44) | XP_005826794 (28) | 0.1665 |
| *PciMIPH1;1* | PHYCI_254774 | - | PcinCBS144-22_SC0271:47,972..49,023(-) | 281 | XP_009535754 (81)[a] | BAA24864 (32) | AAM61294 (29) | KJX95442 (33) | XP_005824571 (28) | 0.2739 |
| *PciMIPH1;2* | PHYCI_34767 | - | PcinCBS144-22_SC0271:68,054..69,058(+) | 321 | XP_008894433 (82)[b] | BAA24864 (38) | NP_566271 (28) | XP_013271045(38) | XP_005825107 (33) | 0.4769 |

PPL: polypeptide length, aa: amino acid; [a]*P. sojae,* [b]*P. infestans,* [c]*P. parasitica*; parenthesis indicates the percentage of identity at the amino acid level

 **Table 7:** PMIP group-specific consensus sequences/motif in the corresponding regions in different TM helices and loops.

| PMIPs Group | N-termini | LA | LB* | LC | LD | LE | TM3 | TM4 | TM5 | C-termini |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **MIPAs** | - | QV(V/T)LS | GIH(V/A)(S/C)GGVS | P(M/L)(F/I)x(H/V/T)(I/T/V)D | GDE(L/M)NKP | GMN(*T/S*)G(*Y/F*)AI AGWGS(R/E) | Y(I/V)(I/V)(A/S)Q | (V/I/T)GTCF(L/M)TE LL(L/M/V)(G/C)(G/C)(I/L)FA | P(G/S)AVALLVVAIGM | E(H/Q)HH |
| **MIPBs** | - | QSILS | GIHI(A/G)GGVS | PLLNV(A/V)D | LDQHNRP | *S V*NTG*C*AI AGWGSH | YVAAQ | NF(I/V)AFLTE LVGGIFA | PSAVALLVVGIGM | GHHH |
| **MIPCs** | - | QV(T/V)LS | GI(T/S)(V/I)(G/V)GGVS | P(M/L)(E/L)N(E/I)VD | (L/Q)DQHNRP | (G/A)MNTG*L*AI(*A/V*)GWGS(*R/H*) | Y(I/L)L(V/N)Q | NFTCFLTE L(V/I)(V/L)G((I/F)LA | P(P/A)A(I/V)G(V/A)LVS(A/T)IAM | GYHH |
| **MIPDs**[a] | Short | QFVLS | G(V/I)HF(S/A)GGVS | PW(F/L)D(I/L/V)(V/H/Q)D | (G/C)DQ(L/I)NKP | G*L*(D/N)TGYAL(A/G)GWGWK | Y(F/I)(V/I)AQ | NWx(A/G)(L/F)ANE LV(S/G)GIFA | P(G/A)AV(A/G)L(M/L)LT(C/G)(I/V)GM | Ex(H/F)H |
| **MIPEs**[b] | Long | QVNLS | GVYVAEGIS | Q(R/N)(L/I)M(D/E)ED | TDERNRG | GMNTGYA*L* AG(*F/Y*)GPK | YAxAQ | NLTAFYSE LL(M/I/L)AIYA | PFAF(A/S)(L/M)LFMGLGM | Q(L/I)QH |
| **MIPFs** | - | QVxLS | GVYCSEGVS | Q(K/R)(I/L)xKxD | TDQ(N/R)NRS | GMNTGYA*M* AG*Y*GSK(*W/F*) | Y(W/C/V)(L/V/A)(S/A)Q | NxTAFYTE LLLC(I/V)YA | PFAFALMIMALGM | QxQH |
| **MIPGs** | Long | QVTNS | GVYCSEGIS | QNLNV(I/V)D | TD(K/Q/T)RNR(P/S/A) | GMNTGYA(*V/I*) AG*W*GSK | YMxSQ | NYTAFYTE L(V/L)L(G/S/A)(I/V)YA | (P/A)FAF(C/A)L(M/L)I(M/W)ALGM | E(I/M)HH |
| **MIPHs** | | QVA(L/I)(S/W) | G(T/V)x(V/T)x(V/T)A(D/E)VS | (Q/E)((K/N)I(R/S)(R/A) (E/G)D | KD(K/R)RNRW | SLNTGLGx(A/I)GY(H/K)-(M/E) | YMxAQ | NYTAFYTE(I/L)MLASYA | PFALALLVTAIS | ExQH |
| **MIPI** | - | | ATFIASPGS | | R-QPVQP | TPFTQACL | YMLFQ | AGGAFVLE FVLVHRV | PLYIGSALAALTM | |

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[a]PMIP group containing MIPs of short C-termini.
[b]PMIP group containing MIPs of D and E-enrich C-termini
*Sequence shares TM2 and LB
LE, the first sequence is from the upstream of NPA motif and the second sequence is from five residues downstream of the P3.
LC motif starts one residue downstream of P1
TM4, the first sequence starts the TM4 and the second sequence is just before the last residue the TM4.
C-termini, adjacent to the TM6
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**Figure 1**

Figure 2

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**Figure 3**

| Intron Number | Gene name | General schematic structure of *Phyotpthora MIP* genes with introns' position |
|---|---|---|
| No intron (107) | *PMIPs* | |
| Single Intron (13) | *PcaMIPC1;1* | |
| | *PcaMIPC1;2 , PcaMIPG1;5* | |
| | *PcaMIPG1;2, PciMIPD1;3* | |
| | *PcaMIPG1;4* | |
| | *PciMIPE1;2* | |
| | *PinMIPE1;2* | |
| | *PinMIPA1;1* | |
| | *PpaMIPA1;1* | |
| | *PsoMIPE1;1* | |
| | *PsoMIPF1;3* | |
| | *PsoMIPF1;2* | |
| Two Introns (4) | *PciMIPH1;1* | |
| | *PinMIPG1;2* | |
| | *PinMIPE1;1* | |
| | *PsoMIPH1;1* | |
| Three Introns (1) | *PciMIPA1;4* | |
| Five Introns (1) | *PinMIPC1;3* | |

Figure 4

**Figure 5**