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Abstract (250 words). Polydnaviruses (PDVs) are mutualistic endogenous viruses associated with some lineages of parasitoid wasps that allow successful development of the wasps within their hosts. PDVs include two taxa resulting from independent virus acquisitions in braconid (bracoviruses) and ichneumonid wasps (ichnoviruses). PDV genomes are fully incorporated into the wasp genomes and comprise (1) virulence genes located on proviral segments that are packaged into the viral particle, and (2) genes involved in the production of the viral particles, which are not encapsidated. Whereas the genomic organization of bracoviruses within the wasp genome is relatively well known, the architecture of endogenous ichnoviruses remains poorly understood. We sequenced the genome of two ichnovirus-carrying wasp species, Hyposoter didymator and Campoletis sonorensis. Complete assemblies with long scaffold sizes allowed identification of the integrated ichnovirus, highlighting an extreme dispersion within the wasp genomes of the viral loci, i.e. isolated proviral segments and clusters of replication genes. Comparing the two wasp species, proviral segments harbor distinct gene content and variable genomic environment, whereas viral machinery clusters show conserved gene content and order, and can be inserted in collinear wasp genomic regions. This distinct architecture is consistent with the biological properties of the two viral elements: proviral segments producing virulence proteins allowing parasitism success are fine-tuned to the host physiology, while an ancestral viral architecture was likely maintained for the genes involved in virus particle production. Finding a distinct genomic architecture of ichnoviruses and bracoviruses highlights different evolutionary trajectories leading to virus domestication in the two wasp lineages.

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# **Background**

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Host-parasite interactions are one of the most fundamental ecological relationships, and yet one of the most complex from a mechanistic and evolutionary perspective. Hosts and parasites are involved in a continual coevolutionary arms race, with hosts evolving various defense mechanisms and parasites developing strategies to overcome them [1, 2]. Identifying the genomic basis of such adaptations is crucial to understand the dynamics of host-parasite interactions [3]. In fact, the cycle of adaptations and counter-adaptations involved in parasitism scenarios can result in complex biological strategies with far-reaching consequences at the genomic level. The use of endogenous viruses by parasitoid wasps represents a notable example of how complex host-parasite interactions can result in novel genomic adaptations. Parasitoid wasps are among the most successful groups of parasitic organisms, potentially comprising several hundred thousand species and playing major ecological roles in terrestrial ecosystems [4]. While the adult wasps are free-living, at their immature stages they develop as parasites of other arthropods, eventually killing their host. Many groups of parasitoids are "koinobiont" parasitoids, which means that they develop inside a host that continues to develop after being parasitized, so that the wasp larva needs to deal with the immune system and physiology of the developing host. In order to cope with this biological constraint, some lineages of parasitic wasps have developed an astonishing strategy to manipulate their host by employing mutualistic viruses from the Polydnaviridae (PDVs) family. PDVs are unusual viruses with a packaged genome composed of several circular molecules, or "segments", of double-stranded DNA (hence the name "poly-dna virus"). They have been reported in the hyperdiverse wasp families Braconidae and Ichneumonidae. Ichnoviruses (IV) are associated with ichneumonid wasps from the subfamilies Campopleginae and Banchinae, whereas the bracoviruses (BVs) are associated with braconid wasps from the "microgastroid complex" [5, 6]. IVs and BVs differ in their morphology and gene content, but share a common life cycle [7]. The viral particles are produced exclusively within specialized cells located in the calvx region of the ovary during wasp female pupation. Mature virions are secreted into the oviduct lumen and transferred into the host during oviposition. Once the parasitoid's host, usually a caterpillar, is infected, PDVs do not replicate but expressed genes induce profound physiological alterations in the parasitized host, such as impairment of the immune response or developmental alterations, which are required for successful development of the wasp larva [8-12].

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The DNA segments enclosed in PDV particles have been sequenced from purified particles for several PDVs (see review in [9]). The segments consist in circular DNA molecules generated from template sequences integrated in the wasp genome [13, 14]. Currently, knowledge on how PDVs are organized into the wasp genome mainly concerns the bracoviruses [15]. It is known that most of the BV proviral segments are distributed in clusters or "macro-loci", in which viral segments are organized in tandem arrays, separated by regions of intersegmental DNA that are not encapsidated [16-18]. In contrast, there is still very little information on the distribution and organization of ichnoviruses within the wasp genome. PDV proviral sequences are amplified and circularized giving rise to the segments packaged in the particles by mechanisms still poorly understood. In bracoviruses, segment production involves direct repeated sequences present at the ends of each proviral segment [19, 20]. These "direct repeat junctions" (DRJs), also named "wasp integration motifs" (WIM), are conserved between BV segments [21]. Presence of direct repeats has also been reported at the extremities of IV segments [22, 23], but this finding was restricted to a few segments and so far there is no evidence of a conserved motif in IV DRJs, suggesting that segment excision may rely on different mechanisms in the two groups of PDV. PDV insertions in the wasp genome do not consist only of proviral segments, but also include genes not packaged in the virion involved in the production of the virus particles [24-26]. These "viral machineries" derive from ancestral viruses endogenized by parasitic wasps, and they differ between BVs and IVs. BV-associated braconid wasps rely on a set of endogenous nudiviral genes to produce the BV particles [24]. The similarity of BV replication genes to nudivirus genes and their well-known baculovirus homologues made it possible to predict and test their function. It was thus shown that the nudivirus genes maintained in the wasps were mainly those encoding structural proteins; those involved in DNA replication have apparently been lost [24, 27]. These nudivirus-like insertions have also been shown to be more dispersed in the wasp genome compared to the proviral segments [27]. In contrast, the viral ancestor of IVs is not closely related to known pathogenic viruses: a series of conserved genes involved in IVs particle formation has been clearly identified but they show no similarity with known viral genes [26]. These genes are organized within the wasp genome in large clusters named "Ichnovirus Structural Proteins Encoding Regions" (IVSPER; [26]). So far, three IVSPERs enclosing approximately 40 genes have been identified in the campopleginae Hyposoter didymator [26] and in the banchinae Glypta fumiferanae [28], based on sequencing of corresponding regions from the wasp genomes (using a BAC approach). However, how

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IVSPERs are distributed within the wasp genome in not known and other IVSPERs might remain undisclosed. Elucidating how viral insertions are distributed and organized in the wasp genomes is important to fully characterize the machinery that produces PDVs, a necessary step toward understanding the mechanisms that have driven the "domestication" of viruses in parasitic wasps. Yet, there is a dearth of information regarding the distribution of IV sequences in IV-carrying wasp genomes. For example, are IV proviral segments also clustered in replication units like the ones found in BVs? Are there conserved recombination motifs analogous to those seen in BVs? Is the position and gene composition of IVSPERs conserved across wasp species within the same lineage? Since IVs and BVs derive from the integration of unrelated viral ancestors, comparing their genomic characteristics can provide insights on whether similar selection forces have operated on the domestication of the two types of ancestral viruses. To answer these questions, we sequenced the genome of two ichneumonid wasps from the subfamily Campopleginae, Hyposoter didymator and Campoletis sonorensis. Both species are parasitoids of larvae of owlet moths (Lepidoptera, Noctuidae) and are associated with endogenous ichnoviruses (respectively, HdIV and CsIV) putatively descending from a common viral ancestral integration. Both HdIV and CsIV genomes packaged in virus particles have been formerly Sanger sequenced ([29] for CsIV; [30] for HdIV) showing they share homologous genes. For both wasp species, we assembled high quality genomes that allowed us to decipher the genome architecture of the endogenous IVs, and to point out differences with that of BVs. In addition, comparison of the IV genome organization and gene content in the two campoplegine wasps indicated strong conservation of the virus-derived replicative machinery whereas the sequences packaged in the IV particles are far more divergent and species specific. These first data relative to genomic architecture of endogenous IVs represent a first crucial step in our understanding of IV evolution. **Results** Hyposoter didymator and Campoletis sonorensis genomes share common features Whole genome sequencing was performed from haploid male wasp DNA using Illumina Hiseq technology. Assembly of the sequenced reads was conducted using either Supernova v.2.1.1 [31] or Platanus assembler v1.2.1 [32], depending on the species (see Methods section). The

draft assembled genome of *H. didymator* consists of 199 Mb in 2,591 scaffolds ranging in size

from 1 Kbp to 15.7 Mbp, with a scaffold N50 of 3.999 Mbp and a contig N50 of 151,312 bp 182 183 (Table 1). The C. sonorensis assembled genome consists of 259 Mb in 11,756 scaffolds with sizes ranging from 400 bp to 6.1 Mbp, with an N50 of 725,399 bp and a contig N50 of 315,222 184 185 bp (Table 1). For both ichneumonid species, G+C content was similar to most other parasitoid 186 species (between 33.6% and 39.5%) (Table 1). 187 Transposable elements (TE) represent 15.09 % of H. didymator and 17.38% of C. sonorensis 188 genomes. The major TE groups (LTR, LINE, SINE retrotransposons, and DNA transposons) 189 contribute to 54 % of the total TE coverage in H. didymator and up to 79% in C. sonorensis 190 (Table 2). The two wasp species differ by the number of class 1 elements (retrotransposons), 191 which was higher in C. sonorensis (46% of the TEs) compared to H. didymator genome (24% 192 of the TEs). 193 Automatic gene annotation for H. didymator (for which RNAseq datasets were available) and 194 for C. sonorensis (for which no RNAseq dataset was available) yielded 18,119 and 21,915 195 transcripts, respectively (Table 3). Although different software packages were used for gene 196 prediction, the two species have similar gene annotation statistics, except for the transcript size, 197 which is longer in *H. didymator*, which also shows a higher predicted intron size (Table 3). 198 BUSCO analyses indicate a high level of completeness of the two genome assemblies and 199 annotations, with 99% of the BUSCO Insecta protein set (1,658 proteins) identified as complete 200 sequences (Figure 1A). 201 Orthologous protein sequence families were calculated with Orthofinder by computing each 202 pairs' similarity among the genomes of different parasitoid wasps from the ichneumonid and 203 braconid families, harboring polydnaviruses or not. For *H. didymator* and *C. sonorensis*, a total 204 number of ~10,000 orthogroups was identified (Figure 1B, Additional file 1A). The 205 orthogroups included a large majority of the *H. didymator* (87.1%) and *C. sonorensis* (71.4%) 206 genes. Amongst those, only a small portion corresponded to species-specific orthogroups: 11 207 orthogroups for H. didymator (69 genes) and 36 for C. sonorensis (288 genes). The number of 208 shared orthogroups declines with the increasing evolutionary distance among the other species 209 (from Venturia canescens to Drosophila, Additional file 1B). Amongst the orthogroups shared 210 by H. didymator and C. sonorensis genes, 313 were specific to these two IV-carrying species 211 (Figure 1B, Additional file 1C), representing 875 proteins for *C. sonorensis* and 509 proteins 212 for *H. didymator*.

Global synteny analysis demonstrated the existence of a number of syntenic blocks between the two genomes, enabling the evaluation of the magnitude of the genomic reorganization between the two species even when using fragmented assemblies. When comparing the *C. sonorensis* and *H. didymator* genomes, the mean number of genes per synteny block obtained is 11.2, one of the highest pairwise values for the evaluated species, just below *F. arisanus* and *D. alloeum* (Figure 1B, right panel; Additional file 2). The percentage of regions in syntenic blocks shared between *C. sonorensis* and *H. didymator* compared to the complete genome size is respectively 67% for *H. didymator* and 50% for *C. sonorensis* (Figure 1B, right panel). Finally, the percentage of genes within syntenic blocks is respectively 71% for *H. didymator* and 54% for *C. sonorensis* (Figure 1B, right panel). These observed high pairwise values suggest that global collinearity of *H. didymator* and *C. sonorensis* genomes is well conserved.

## The two campoplegine genomes include numerous and dispersed ichnovirus loci

In the assembled *C. sonorensis* genome, a total of 35 scaffolds, ranging in size from 2.3 Kbp to more than 6 Mbp, contained CsIV sequences (Figure 2A, Additional file 3). Within these scaffolds, 40 viral loci were identified, corresponding either to CsIV segments or, for the first time in this species, to IVSPERs or IVSPER genes. A total of 31 proviral segments were recognized, with sizes varying from 6.4 to 23.2 Kbp (Additional file 3). Compared to the CsIV segments described in Webb et al., 2006, two segments were not found, and eight novel segments were identified (Table 4). Noteworthy, two short scaffolds each contained a repeat element gene (i.e. a member of a gene family encoded by IV segments), corresponding probably to additional viral segments (Table 4). Altogether, *C. sonorensis* genome contained 33 loci corresponding to CsIV proviral segments. In addition, we identified seven gene clusters corresponding to IVSPERs comprising 48 genes located in six different scaffolds; these IVSPERs varied in size from 8.6 Kbp to 33.3 Kbp (Additional files 3 and 4).

In the *H. didymator* assembled genome, a total of 60 viral loci were identified (Figure 2B); they were located in 32 scaffolds ranging in size from 1.5 Kbp to over 15 Mbp (Additional file 3).

A total of six IVSPERs were identified, which size varies from 1.6 Kbp to 26.6 Kbp; these H.

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same locus (in most cases, the segments shared part of their sequence, Figure 3A). Four segments were present in two copies (Figure 3B), three had copies in two different scaffolds, one was tandemly duplicated (Hd9). Finally, six totally new segments were identified in H. didymator genome. Altogether, 55 HdIV proviral segments were found, ranging in size from 2.0 to 17.9 Kbp (Additional file 3). Whole wasp genomes sequencing thus reveals a very large number of viral loci widely dispersed in these genomes. DNA fragments of viral origin are separated by large portions of wasp sequences, with a median size of 115.1 Kb between segments for those located on the same scaffold (Figure 4A). To confirm by an independent approach that IV proviral segment sequences were dispersed across the wasp genome, a FISH experiment was conducted for H. didymator, using genomic clones enclosing viral sequences as probes. Four probes were used, containing respectively segments Hd11, Hd6, Hd30 and Hd29, all in different genomic scaffolds. Results show that each of the probes hybridized with a different chromosome (Figure 4B), indicating that HdIV segments are indeed widely dispersed across the genome of H. didymator. To assess whether dispersion of the viral loci could have been mediated during genome evolution by transposable elements, distribution of TEs was investigated in the regions surrounding the proviral segments. The analysis of the families of transposable elements in the regions surrounding the proviral segments (Additional file 5) did not reveal any particular enrichment that could suggest a role of TEs in the dispersion of the IV sequences in the wasp genomes.

## Ichnovirus DRJs show variable architecture and multiple excision sites

Repeated sequences flanking the proviral segment (or DRJ, for direct repeat junction) were found for all HdIV segment loci, except for Hd45.1 and Hd45.2. HdIV DRJs varied largely in size, ranging from 69 bp to 949 bp (Additional file 6). Similarly, most CsIV segments (25 of 32) were flanked by DRJs, which ranged in size from 99 bp to as much as 1,132 bp (Additional file 6). The number of direct repeats for a given proviral sequence was also variable (Figure 5A, Additional file 6). The majority of the HdIV (28) and CsIV (19) segments contained a single direct repeated sequence, one copy located on their right and left ends (named DRJ1R and DRJ1L, respectively; Figure 5A, a). A few HdIV and CsIV segments also contained internal repeats of the same sequence (hence named DRJ1int), potentially allowing the generation of

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more than one related circular molecules by recombination between the different DRJ1 copies (nested segments). Other IV proviral segments (21 HdIV segments, but only one CsIV segment) contained two different repeated sequences, named DRJ1 and DRJ2 (Figure 5A, b), combined or not with internal DRJs (Figure 5A, c; Additional file 6). Presence of several repeats differing in sequence and in position suggests the possibility that a mixture of overlapping and/or nested segments may be generated by homologous recombination in this context. We used the DMINDA webserver [33] to search for conserved excision site motifs embedded in IV DRJ sequences, using the all set of DRJs (99 DRJs) available for the two wasp species. Some motifs were found, in particular one that occurred at least once in almost all the analyzed DRJs (Additional file 7A). However, this motif may occur several times within a single DRJ; furthermore, a search across the whole H. didymator genome revealed that there was not a significantly higher chance for this motif to occur in the DRJ rather than in the rest of the wasp genome (Additional file 7B). Hence, circularization of IV segments does not seem to rely on the presence of a conserved nucleotide motif. The two copies of the DRJ present at each end of the segment in the linear integrated form exhibit some punctual differences, so the excision site or breakpoint can be identified in a given recombined DRJ sequence with more or less resolution depending on the divergence between the parental DRJ copies. To identify potential excision sites in IV circular molecules, we analyzed two sets of H. didymator segment sequences using the DrjBreakpointFinder method developed for this purpose (see Methods section). The automatic analysis of a large set of recombined DRJ sequences revealed that excision could occur in different sites within a same DRJ (Figure 5B, 5C). This finding was confirmed by manual analysis of a subset of 8 segments sequenced using Sanger technology (Additional file 7C). Interestingly some positions of excision sites appeared more frequent than others for a given DRJ (Figure 5B, 5C). Proviral sequences serving as template for IV packaged genome show species-specific *features* The number of proviral loci identified in *H. didymator* genome is higher (n=54) than in *C*. sonorensis genome (n=33). Altogether, IV segment loci represent a total size of 307.1 Kbp for HdIV and 314.1 Kbp for CsIV. The total sizes of the endogenous viruses are slightly underestimated since two HdIV segments (Hd1 and Hd45.1) and five CsIV segments (CsV, CsX3, CsX4, CsX5 and CsX7) were only partially identified because of the fragmentation of

the genomes (see Additional file 3 for details). CsIV segments are globally longer compared to HdIV segments (Figure 6 A, B); they enclose 111 predicted genes whereas a total of 152 genes were predicted in the HdIV segments (Table 5, Additional file 4). Both encapsidated genomes contain a similar number of genes considering the IV-conserved multimembers families (repeat-element genes, vankyrins, vinnexins, cys-motif and N-genes (Table 5). HdIV contain more viral innexins, whereas CsIV more viral ankyrins and repeat-element genes (Table 5). The high collinearity in gene order observed between the genomes of H. didymator and C. sonorensis made it possible to assess if the viral insertions were located in the same genomic environment for the two species. In order to accomplish this, the genomic regions containing viral insertions in H. didymator were compared to their syntenic genomic regions in C. sonorensis (Figure 6C). For the large majority of syntenic blocks containing an HdIV segment, there was no viral insertion in the corresponding C. sonorensis block (Figure 6C, a). Two exceptions were found. The first is the insertion site of *H. didymator* segment Hd18 which is located in the same genomic environment as the one where IVSPER-5 was inserted in C. sonorensis genome (Figure 6C, b). The second concerns H. didymator segment Hd17, inserted in a wasp genomic region that corresponded to the region, but not the insertion site, where C. sonorensis segment CsZ was inserted (Figure 6C, c).

# The ichnovirus machinery retained in wasp genomes (IVSPERs) is well conserved

A total of 45 different predicted IVSPER gene families were identified in the genomes of *H. didymator* and *C. sonorensis* (Figure 7A, Additional file 4). The majority (35, or 78%) are shared by both wasp species (Figure 7A) and 64% (29/45) are also shared with the banchine *Glypta fumiferanae* (Figure 7A). Amongst the 36 different genes/gene families (corresponding to a total of 48 genes) identified in the *C. sonorensis* genome, only one had no homolog in *H. didymator* genome. This gene, named Gf\_U27L, has similarities (BlastP e-value 1E-31) with an IVSPER gene described in the banchine wasp *G. fumiferanae* [28]. On the other hand, amongst the 44 distinct genes/gene families identified in *H. didymator* genome (corresponding to 54 genes), nine were not detected in the *C. sonorensis* genome. Amongst them, three genes, U29, U32 and U33, are newly described for *H. didymator*. They were classified as IVSPER genes because of their localization in IVSPER-4 and, based on the transcriptome data generated for genome annotation, they are transcribed in *H. didymator* ovarian tissue. Note that among

340 the homologous genes shared by H. didymator and C. sonorensis, the number of gene copies 341 within some multigene families differs between the two wasp species (Figure 7A). 342 The IVSPERs of the two species show high synteny (Figure 7B). Synteny blocks with 343 conserved gene order are shared for instance between Hd IVSPER-2 and Cs IVSPER-2 but 344 also Cs\_IVSPER-3 with part of Hd\_IVSPER-1 and part of Cs\_IVSPER-1 with Hd\_IVSPER-345 3. Despite syntenic portions, there are some rearrangements, inversions and deletions between 346 the two species. The highest number of rearrangements concerns the Cs IVSPER-1 and 347 Cs\_IVSPER-4. The homologs of Cs\_IVSPER-1 genes are dispersed in several different H. didymator IVSPERs (U15, IVSP1, U37, U31, U35). Similarly, H. didymator U3 and U25 have 348 349 orthologs in Cs\_IVSPER-2. 350 The genomic regions containing H. didymator IVSPER loci (Figure 7C) corresponds in most 351 cases to synteny blocks where the gene order is well conserved compared with C. sonorensis; 352 notably, this gene order is also quite well conserved in the IV-free campoplegine wasp V. 353 canescens, and to some extent in the braconid wasps M. demolitor and F. arisanus (Figure 7C). 354 For two of the three *H. didymator* genomic regions containing IVSPERs, some viral insertion 355 sites were conserved between H. didymator and C. sonorensis. Regarding the insertion site of 356 Hd IVSPER-1 and -2 (Figure 6C, a), no corresponding C. sonorensis scaffold was found, 357 making the comparison inconclusive. However, the comparison of the two other H. didymator 358 genomic regions with their corresponding C. sonorensis syntenic blocks (Figure 7C b and c), 359 revealed conservation of the insertion site for IVSPER-4 and IVSPER-5, whereas H. didymator 360 and C. sonorensis IVSPER-3 are located in different wasp genomic regions. 361 362 **Discussion** 363 The genome assemblies described here are of high quality with contig N50 over 150,000 bp 364 and scaffold N50 from 1 to 4 Mbp. The annotated gene sets are similar in terms of numbers of 365 genes and estimated completeness compared to genomes of other parasitic wasps. The 366 assembled genomes allowed us to perform a comprehensive mapping of the viral inserts into 367 the wasp genome. 368 The first major finding is the dispersion of the ichnovirus loci. This was particularly true for the 369 IV proviral segments. All the 32 CsIV segments loci are located in different scaffolds, except 370 CsG and CsG2, present in the same scaffold. For HdIV, half of the 54 viral segments are located 371 in different scaffolds and for those located in the same scaffold, they are most frequently

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separated by relatively long portions of wasp genome. This dispersion was confirmed by FISH experiments, showing that viral loci are distributed across various chromosomes. We therefore did not find in the ichneumonid genomes any viral macro-locus as reported for bracoviruses [16]. Indeed, in braconid genomes, the BV segments are for the most part clustered in a unique locus gathering tens of segments, organized in replication units. For instance, the braconids Glyptapanteles indiensis and G. flavicoxis genomes contain 29 proviral segments, with 70% of them residing in a single large macrolocus [34]. Similarly, the M. demolitor genome contains 26 proviral segments; they are organized in 8 replication units located at 8 loci, loci 1 containing 14 segments [27]. In stark contrast, IV genomes consist of a series of single viral segments scattered within the wasp genome. In addition, as no enrichment of transposable elements in the surrounding of the IV segments have been observed, their dispersal in the wasp genome may result either from a diffuse integration of the virus ancestors or multiple genomic rearrangements events. As previously described, the proviral segments are sequences that are packaged and transferred to the parasitized host whereas the IVSPER genes correspond to the "replication" genes, involved in the production of the virus particle. Until now, replication genes were known solely for one campoplegine wasp, H. didymator [26], and one banchine, G. fumiferanae [28]. Our study discovered replication genes in the C. sonorensis genome and showed a conserved IVSPER architecture for the two campoplegine wasps. In both *H. didymator* and *C. sonorensis* genomes, the majority of the replication genes are clustered. Indeed, only two isolated genes were identified in the C. sonorensis genome and only one in the H. didymator genome. In addition, H. didymator and C. sonorensis contain common genes arranged in a quite well conserved order. Noteworthy, most campoplegine IVSPER genes are also present in the banchine G. fumiferanae; however, the gene order is less conserved when comparing the two wasp subfamilies [9]. The high proportion of shared IVSPER genes between campoplegine and banchine wasps, including the D5 primase-like and DEDXhelicase-like first described in G. fumiferanae (corresponding to U37 and U34 respectively in H. didymator), tend to favor the hypothesis of a common virus ancestor for campoplegine and banchine IVs. This is quite notable, considering that the two subfamilies do not form a monophyletic group [35, 36] and IVs are not reported for other subfamilies in the same lineage. The divergences in IVSPER gene order between campoplegine and banchine reflects the phylogenetic distance between the species, with the viral loci evolving by genomic rearrangements specific to each of the ichneumonid subfamilies. Better understanding of the evolutionary trajectories of IVSPERs

across ichneumonid lineages requires additional sequencing of banchine wasp genomes, as well

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as a thorough screening of species from other subfamilies for the presence of endogenous viruses. Our study now provides the ability to make direct comparisons of viral composition between ichneumonid and braconid genomes. The genomes of campoplegine wasps associated with IVs contain numerous dispersed viral loci consisting of single viral segments and clusters of replication genes. By contrast, genomes of braconid wasps associated with BVs have clustered viral segments and more dispersed replication genes. For example, 76 nudiviral genes were identified in M. demolitor; half of these are located in a "nudiviral cluster" while the remainder are single genes located on different genome scaffolds [17]. This alternative genomic architecture probably reflects different regulatory mechanisms governing viral replication and particle production of the two PDV taxa. In braconids, the organization of the viral segments in replication units allow simultaneous co-amplification of several segments [21, 37] whereas in ichneumonids, each segment is individually amplified by a mechanism yet to be identified. IVSPERs DNA is also specifically amplified in the replicative ovarian tissue [26], what participates to increase gene copy number and thus to increase transcription levels. However, gene copy number is not the only mechanism involved in transcriptional control; IVSPER genes differ in their expression level in H. didymator calyx [38], suggesting that gene specific mechanisms are also involved in IVSPER gene expression regulation. In the case of bracoviruses, transcriptional control by nudiviral RNA polymerase allows expression of viral genes whatever their location, whereas amplification of the genes at the nudiviral locus allows achieving high levels of expression among nudiviral genes [25]. Although transcriptional control may not necessary require that genes are clustered in given regions, the clustering of replication genes in ichneumonids may facilitate coordinated regulation of their expression. In H. didymator and C. sonorensis genomes, terminal and internal DRJs have been identified for most of the proviral segments. DRJs present at the extremities of the integrated form of the viral segment have been first described for CsIV [22] and the BVs associated with Chelonus inanitus [39] and Cotesia congregata [20]. The presence of internal repeats, which allows the generation of multiple circular molecules from the same proviral template in a process termed "segment nesting", has also been reported, mainly for IV [22] and rarely for BVs [16]. In the case of bracoviruses, where segments are organized in a macro-locus, DRJs are thought to be involved downstream during replication. A first excision probably occurs thanks to sequences that limit the replication units in which there are also conserved sites [37]. Then the

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DRJs would serve to separate the different BV segments and generate the circular molecules. For ichnoviruses, where the proviral segments are individually amplified, there is no data presently on the limits of the replication units, making difficult to assess if DRJs are directly involved in the excision of the segment, or if there is also a two-step process involving other sequences. Interestingly, some segments lack terminal repeats, mostly for CsIV (five segments of the 32 identified). This is particularly true for four CsIV segments newly identified; they are viral in nature since they all contain the IV characteristic repeat-element genes. The lack of one of their terminal repeats suggest they had lost their ability to be excised; this hypothesis would be consistent with the fact that they have not been revealed when the CsIV packaged genome was sequenced [29]. A similar finding was found in the braconid *Cotesia congregata* which harbors a pseudo-segment (CcBV pseudo-segment 34) mutated in the DRJ core which do not produce a packaged circle, whereas its homologous segment in Cotesia sesamiae produces a molecule packaged in the CsBV particle [16]. The fifth CsIV segment lacking DRJs is ShC, a segment that conversely to the four others, has been reported as part of the CsIV packaged genome [29]. In the present work, we found that ShC is embedded into IVSPER-2, i.e. corresponds to a region encoding replication genes which is, in addition, also conserved in H. didymator IVSPER-2 [26]. When we compared the ~2 Kbp regions encompassing the pseudo ShC segment and flanking wasp sequences, no similarity was found (the only nucleotide motif repeated in IVSPER-2 was a 170 nt long motif located between U6L and U7L in one side, and within U25L on the other side). The absence of repeated sequence suggests that this sequence is not excised but part of an IVSPER. Another important finding highlighted by our work is the documentation of inter-segment variability of DRJs in terms of sequence length, number and organization. Hence some HdIV segments harbored two different repeated sequences, and/or one or several internal repeats. This complexity suggests numerous possibilities to produce by intrachromosomal homologous recombination a series of related circular molecules that will be packaged in the particles. IV DRJs vary in size, ranging from less than 100 bp to more than 1 Kbp and in similarity rate, with identity between pairs of related DRJs varying from 70 to 98% (Additional file 6). The rate of homologous recombination between DNA fragments is affected by sequence length and divergence (reviewed in [40]); thus variability of IV segment DRJs length and homology rate suggests that homologous recombination efficacy may vary from one segment to the other. While for bracoviruses the DRJs contain a conserved tetramer AGCT embedded within a larger

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motif, which corresponds to the site of excision [17, 41], we did not identify a conserved motif specific to IV DRJs. On the other hand, an automatic search of the excision sites using the algorithm developed in the present study allowed us to posit various possible sites of excision and recombination within a given DRJ. Interestingly, some sites seemed to occur more frequently than others. However, for now, the mechanism and the proteins involved in DNA double-strand breaks and repair in IV sequences remains to be identified. In the case of bracoviruses, there are conserved DRJ sequences, and conserved members of the tyrosine recombinase family of nudiviral origin (vlf-1, int-1 and int-2) which seem involved in regulating excision [25]. In the case of ichnoviruses, there are neither conserved sites nor known virus-derived recombinases. For now, it is not possible to infer a function to many of the IVSPER genes, so it is not possible to determine if IV excision relies on the same mechanisms as bracoviruses; possibly, homologous recombination and generation of IV circular molecules rely on the wasp cellular machinery. Two main conclusions arise from the comparison of the two genomes, giving insights on the evolutionary forces driving IV domestication in campoplegine wasps. At first, the genes potentially involved in producing the IV particles are very well conserved in terms of gene content and gene order (Figure 7). Hence, only nine of the 54 predicted replication genes in H. didymator are specific to this species; they correspond in majority to short sequences and may for some not be truly functional IVSPER genes, however they are all transcribed in calyx cells based on our transcriptome analyses. In both H. didymator and C. sonorensis, there is only a few clusters, and one or two isolated genes. Noteworthy, the isolated gene in H. didymator is U37, a homolog of the D5 primase gene described in the banchine G. fumiferanae where this gene is embedded within an IVSPER (Gf-IVSPER-1; [28]). One of the two U37 homologs in C. sonorensis is also isolated, but in a genomic context distinct from that in H. didymator, whereas the other is localized in Cs-IVSPER-1 (Figure 7). Gene order within the clusters is well conserved between H. didymator and C. sonorensis, even though these regions underwent rearrangements over evolution. Compared to the IVSPERs, the viral segments carrying virulence genes appear more divergent and species-specific, despite the existence of common gene families. The two components of the ichnoviral genome also differ in terms of conservation of their genomic localization. First, we did not find any viral segment inserted in a given block of synteny when comparing H. didymator and C. sonorensis. The situation of viral segments in ichneumonids therefore seems different from that described in braconids, where the viral segments remain in homologous positions, flanked by conserved wasp genes

[16]. In ichneumonids, viral segment diversification and dispersion may result from transposition of each viral sequence in the wasp genome while for bracoviruses, segment multiplication occurs by duplication of large areas [16]). By contrast, two of the five IVSPERs were localized in the same genomic context in *H. didymator* and *C. sonorensis* (Figure 7C). These two IVSPER harbor related genes, what suggests a common ancestral origin. These loci may represent ancestral viral insertion sites that are still conserved in both wasp genomes. For the others, the lack of co-localization indicates that IVSPERs are able to move quite easily in the wasp recipient genomes. Note that we were not able to highlight transposable element (TE) enrichment close to viral insertions, suggesting that transposition of viral sequences may rely on another still unknown mechanism which might have been inherited from the ancestor virus. The conservation of IVSPER genes is consistent with what would be expected from a functional point of view: they constitute the machinery allowing the wasp to produce the particles, i.e. the delivery systems on which the parasitoid relies for its survival. As such, mechanisms for viral replication and packaging are not expected to be subject to rapid change. Meanwhile, proviral segments carry virulence genes, which need to quickly respond to counter-adaptations arising in the immune system of the parasitoid host. Since campoplegines are koiniobiont endoparasitoids that often have a restricted host range [42, 43], proviral sequences are expected to evolve rapidly and in a species-specific manner. Finally, we did find that a same syntenic block contained a proviral segment in H. didymator and an IVSPER in C. sonorensis. In a scenario of a common origin between IVSPER and viral segments (i.e. the ancestral virus), this locus may represent an ancestral viral insertion site, which may have contained sequences corresponding to the complete ancestral virus genome before its separation in two components, the proviral segments and the replication gene clusters.

#### **Conclusions**

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Whole genome sequencing of two parasitoid wasps, *H. didymator* and *C. sonorensis*, which both harbor integrated ichnoviruses, is reported here for the first time. These are the first annotated full genomes available for the family Ichneumonidae. Most importantly, they allowed us to piece together a comprehensive picture of the architecture of ichnoviruses in the wasp genomes. Our results reveal an interesting duality between specific genomic features shown by the proviral elements of the polydnavirus genome and the conserved nature of the viral machinery within the wasp DNA. While this may be linked to the biological functions of these

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two types of genomic elements, this genomic organization is directly opposed to that observed in bracoviruses, highlighting how similar solutions to adaptive demands can convergently arise via very different evolutionary pathways. Tracing the steps that have led to the architecture of modern ichnoviruses from the domestication of an ancestral virus will require the sequencing of other ichneumonid wasps from multiple lineages. Methods Target species and insect rearing Two species from the putatively monophyletic subfamily Campopleginae [35, 36] were chosen as target taxa for whole genome sequencing: Hyposoter didymator occurs in all Western Europe and mainly parasitizes *Helicoverpa armigera* [44] whereas *C. sonorensis* occurs from North to South America and parasitizes several noctuid species [45]. Specimens of Hyposoter didymator were reared on Spodoptera frugiperda larvae as previously described [30]. Male specimens of Campoletis sonorensis wasps were furnished from a colony maintained at the University of Kentucky and reared as described in Krell et al. [46]. C. sonorensis whole genome sequencing, assembly and automatic annotation Genomic DNA was extracted from one single adult male using the Oiagen<sup>TM</sup> MagAttract HMW DNA kit, following the manufacturer's guidelines. The resulting extraction was quantified using a Qubit<sup>TM</sup> dsDNA High Sensitivity assay, and DNA fragment size was assessed using an Agilent<sup>TM</sup> Genomic DNA ScreenTape. Sample libraries were prepared using 10X Genomics Chromium technology (10X Genomics, Pleasanton, CA), followed by paired-end (150 base pairs) sequencing using one lane on an Illumina HiSeqX sequencer at the New York Genome Center (Additional file 9A). Assembly of the sequenced reads was conducted using Supernova v.2.1.1 [31]. Reads were mapped back to the assembled genome using Long Ranger (https://support.10xgenomics.com/genome-exome/software/pipelines/latest/what-is-longranger) and error correction was performed by running Pilon [47]. Note that Supernova recommends 56X total coverage and sequencing deeper than 56X reduces the assembly quality. A full lane of HiSeqX produced several times the sequencing data we needed to reconstruct the

566 genome. Hence, raw reads were divided in four subsets and four separate assemblies were 567 conducted in parallel, with the best one chosen for downstream analyses. 568 We used RepeatMasker [48], to identify repeat regions using Drosophila as the model species. 569 H. didymator transcripts were aligned to the C. sonorensis genome using BLAT [49]. We 570 created hints files for Augustus from the repeat-masked genome and the BLAT alignments. We 571 also ran BUSCO v3 [50] with the -long option both to assess genome completeness and to 572 generate a training set for Augustus. We then ran Augustus v3.3 [51] for gene prediction using 573 the three lines of evidence, the RepeatMasker-generated hints, the BLAT-generated hints, and 574 the BUSCO-generated training set. 575 576 H. didymator whole genome sequencing, assembly and automatic annotation 577 Genomic DNA was extracted from a batch of adult males (n=30). DNA extractions that passed 578 sample quality tests were then used to construct 3 paired-end (inserts lengths = 250, 500 and 579 800 bp) and 2 mate pairs (insert length = 2,000 and 5,000 bp) libraries, and qualified libraries 580 were used for sequencing using Illumina Hiseq 2500 technology (Additional file 9B) at the BGI. For genome assembly, the raw data was filtered to obtain high quality reads. 581 582 The reads were assembled with Platanus assembler v1.2.1 [32], in 2 steps (contigs assembly 583 and scaffolding), then the scaffolds gaps were filled with SOAPdenovo GapCloser 1.12 [52]. 584 Finally, only scaffolds longer than 1,000 bp were kept for further analyzes. Assemblathon2 [53] 585 was used to calculate metrics of genome assemblies. 586 For annotation, EST reads from venom and ovaries, as well as reads obtained using GS FLX 587 (Roche/454), Titanium chemistry from total insects [54] were mapped to the genome with 588 GMAP [55], and Illumina reads published previously [38], or from the 1KITE consortium 589 (http://lkite.org/subprojects.html) using STAR [56], and new calyx RNA-Seq (SRA accession: 590 PRJNA590863) with TopHat2 v2.1.0 [57]. BRAKER1 v1.10 [58] was used to predict genes in 591 the genome of *H. didymator* using default settings. Gene annotation was evaluated using 592 Benchmarking Universal Single-Copy Orthologue (BUSCO) version 3.0.2 [50] with a 593 reference set of 1,658 proteins (conserved in Insecta).

The other parasitoid genomes used in this work for comparison purposes were similarly

analyzed (genomes available at NCBI for Microplitis demolitor [27] (PRJNA251518), Fopius

arisanus [59] (PRJNA258104), Diachasma alloeum [60] (PRJNA306876) and Nasonia

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vitripennis [61] (PRJNA13660); Venturia canescens genome [62] available at

https://bipaa.genouest.org/sp/venturia\_canescens/).

Manual annotation of the viral loci

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- Manual annotation of viral regions was done using the genome annotation editor Apollo browser [63] available on the BIPAA platform (https://bipaa.genouest.org). The encapsidated forms of the HdIV and CsIV genomes were previously Sanger-sequenced by isolating DNA from virions [29, 30]. *H. didymator* IVSPER were also previously sequenced [26]. To identify the viral loci, sequences available at NCBI for campoplegine IV segments and IVSPER sequences from campoplegine and banchine species were used to search the *H. didymator* and *C. sonorensis* genome scaffolds using the Blastn tool implemented in the Apollo interface. To determine the limits of the proviral segments, we searched for direct repeats at the ends of the viral loci by aligning the two sequences located at each end using the Blastn suite at NCBI. The start or stop codons of the genes located at the ends of the IVSPER loci were considered as the borders of the IVSPER.
- Transposable Element Detection
- Transposable Elements (TEs) were identified in *H. didymator* and *C. sonorensis* genomes using
- 615 the REPET pipeline [64, 65]. The enrichment analysis was performed using LOLA [66]
- comparing the observed number of each TE family member in a region encompassing IV
- segments and 10 kbp around, and 1,000 random segments of the same length extracted with
- bedtools shuffle [67].
- 620 Orthologous genes and syntenic regions
- To identify homology relationships between sequences of H. didymator, C. sonorensis and
- other parasitoids with available genomes (Venturia canescens, Microplitis demolitor, Fopius
- 623 arisanus, Diachasma alloeum and Nasonia vitripennis), as well as taxonomically restricted
- 624 sequences (Apis mellifera and Drosophila melanogaster), a clustering was performed using the
- orthogroup inference algorithm OrthoFinder version 2.2.7 [68]. Sequences predicted by
- automatic annotation (Braker or Augustus) but also some resulting from manual annotations
- were used. Thus a total of 18,154 protein coding genes for *H. didymator* and 21,987 for *C.*

sonorensis were included in the analysis (Table 4A). The syntenic blocks were reconstructed with Synchro [69] using the genomes and proteomes of the same species.

H. didymator genomic BAC library construction and sequencing

Genomic BAC clones were obtained as described in [26]. Briefly, high molecular weight DNA was extracted from *H. didymator* larval nuclei embedded in agarose plugs. The nuclei were lysed and the proteins degraded by proteinase K treatment. DNA was partially digested with *Hin*dIII. The size of the fragments obtained averaged 40 kbp as controlled by Pulse Field Gel Electrophoresis. Fragments were ligated into the pBeloBAC11 vector. High-density filters were spotted (18,432 clones spotted twice on nylon membranes) and screened using specific 35-mer oligonucleotides. Positive clones were analyzed by fingerprint and, for each probe, one genomic clone was selected and sequenced using Sanger technology (shotgun method) by the Génoscope, Evry, France. The sequences obtained were then submitted to a Blastn similarity search against NCBI nr database in order to confirm presence of HdIV sequences. Four BAC clones containing HdIV sequences were used as probes in FISH experiments (see below).

Fluorescent in situ hybridization (FISH) on H. didymator chromosomes

The *H. didymator* genome is composed of 12 chromosomes [70]. Karyotypes were prepared from male reproductive tracts from pupae and young adults. The testes were dissected in saline solution and placed in colchicine/colcemid solution (50ug / ml) during 10 minutes. After elimination of the liquid, a hypotonic solution (Na citrate 0.5%) was added during 10 minutes. The solution was then replaced by fixative (1 vol. acetic acid / 3 vol. methanol) and let to incubate during 40 minutes. The genitalia were then placed on a glass slide, a drop of acetic acid 60% was added to further shred the tissue and the slide was placed on a hot plate at 42°C until complete evaporation of the liquid. The samples were stained with DAPI and observed under a fluorescent microscope in order to select slides with sufficient and suitable caryotypes. Two genomic clones containing a viral sequence (CE-15P20 and CF-16G11) were used as probes. They were alternatively labeled using the Dig RNA labeling mix (Roche) or the biotin RNA labeling mix (Roche). For hybridization, the samples were rehydrated and denatured during 6 minutes by a 0,07 N NaOH treatment. The anti-digoxigenin antibody was labeled with rhodamine (Roche) (dilution 1/50) and the anti-biotin antibody with FITC (Vector laboratories)

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(dilution 1/200) overnight at 37°C. Images were captured on a Zeiss AxioImager Apotome microscope. Re-sequencing of HdIV packaged genome The viral DNA was extracted following the procedure described in Volkoff et al. [71]. Briefly, ovaries from about 100 female wasps were dissected in PBS and placed in a 1.5-ml microfuge tube. The final volume was adjusted to 500 µl using Tris-EDTA buffer and the ovaries were homogenized by several passages through a 23-gauge needle. The resulting suspension was passed through a 0.45-um pore-size cellulose acetate filter to recover the HdIV viral particles. For viral DNA extraction, the filtrate was submitted to proteinase K and Sarcosyl treatment overnight at 37°C, then to RNase A treatment 2 h at 37°C. DNA was further extracted with phenol/chloroform/isoamyl alcohol and precipitated with ethanol. The DNA pellet was resuspended in ultra-pure water and was sequenced using GS FLX (Roche/454), Titanium chemistry (Eurofins Genomics). The obtained reads were used for DRJ excision site analyses (see below). DRJs and breakpoint analysis in H. didymator The proviral integrated segments are circularized and excised by homologous recombination between its extreme DRJs (at left and right extremities of the given segment). When the two copies of the DRJ exhibit some punctual differences, the excision site or breakpoint can be identified in a given recombined DRJ sequence with more or less resolution depending on the level of divergence between the DRJ copies. In order to identify and analyze DRJ excision sites of a set of circularized IV sequences in an automatic fashion, we developed the following method, called DrjBreakpointFinder and freely distributed at http://github.com/stephanierobin/DrjBreakpointFinder/. The method takes as input a set of circularized sequences (usually obtained by sequencing) and a reference genome. It is composed of two main steps. The first step consists in identifying triplets of sequences (read-DRJL-DRJR) representing the recombined DRJ and its two parental DRJs, by mapping the sequencing reads to the reference genome. In the second step, a precise multiple alignment is computed for each sequence triplet and a segmentation algorithm, inspired from the breakpoint refinement method Cassis [72, 73], is applied along the recombined DRJ sequence

to identify in the best case scenario the excision site or more generally the breakpoint region.

To do so, the segmentation algorithm estimates the best partition of the recombined DRJ

sequence into three distinct segments, corresponding to homology with DRJR, the breakpoint

region and homology with DRJL respectively, given the repartition of punctual differences with

the two parental DRJs. The segmentation algorithm is classically based on fitting a piecewise

constant function with two changepoints to the punctual difference signal (see [73]).

DrjBreakpointFinder further gathers breakpoint results by proviral segments or DRJ pairs, in

order to obtain for each the distribution of potential excision sites observed in a given circular

virus sequencing dataset. The output of DrjBreakpointFinder consists of breakpoint region

699 coordinate files along with visual representations for each proviral segment or DRJ pair.

- 700 In this paper, DrjBreakpointFinder was applied to two circular viral DNA sequencing datasets.
- 701 Circular DNA was extracted from HdIV particles and sequenced by 454 and Sanger
- technologies, resulting in 40,343 and 15,575 reads, respectively.
- 703 In addition, the DRJ copy was manually analyzed for a subset of 8 segments (Hd12, Hd16,
- Hd19, Hd22, Hd24, Hd28, Hd29 and Hd30) that presented only one right and left DRJs in their
- integrated form. Junctions were amplified by PCR using primers located within the viral
- sequence, downstream and upstream the DRJs. PCR products were cloned in pGEM and 3 to 5
- 707 plasmid clones were then sequenced using Sanger technology for each segment. The obtained
- recombined junction sequences were then aligned with the 2 parental DRJs in an attempt to
- localize the excision site, based on the nucleotides differing between the 2 DRJs (see Additional
- 710 file 5, C).

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- 713 **Ethics approval and consent to participate:** Not applicable
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- 717 didymator and PRJNA590982 for Campoletis sonorensis. The DrjBreakpointFinder method
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### 942 **Table legends**

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- Table 1. Summary statistics for *H. didymator* and *C. sonorensis* assembled genomes compared
- other selected parasitoid genomes. Assemblathon2 [53] was used to calculate metrics of
- genome assemblies.

- **Table 2.** Transposable elements (TE) in ichneumonid genomes. Total amount and relative
- proportion of LINE, LTR, SINE retrotransposons and DNA transposons in the genomes of
- 948 *Hyposoter didymator* and *Campoletis sonorensis*.
- **Table 3.** Gene annotation statistics for *H. didymator* and *C. sonorensis* assembled genomes.
- 950 **Table 4.** Summary of the number of viral loci identified in the genomes of *Campoletis*
- 951 sonorensis (Cs) and Hyposoter didymator (Hd), in comparison with data available in NCBI
- database. For *H. didymator*, "merge segments" correspond to viral loci that included 2 segments
- 953 former deposited in NCBI as distincts, "duplicated segments" those found in two copies in the
- wasp genome (see Figure 3 for more details). Number of IV segment loci are presented in the
- upper part of the table; number of IVSPERs are given in the lower part of the table. Number of
- 956 segments and IVSPER in NCBI corresponds to the sequences deposited in NCBI that were
- 957 available before this study.
- 958 **Table 5**. Comparative gene content of the IV segments in the ichnovirus carried by the
- 959 campoplegine wasps *Hyposoter didymator* (HdIV) and *Campoletis sonorensis* (CsIV).

# Figure legends

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- 962 Figure 1. Genomic features of Campoletis sonorensis and Hyposoter didymator genomes.
- A. BUSCO analysis of parasitoid wasp genomes. BUSCO 3.0.2 analysis with BUSCO Insecta
- protein set (1,658 proteins). On the left, BUSCO analysis results using the genomes assemblies;
- on the right, BUSCO analysis results using the predicted protein set. X axis starts at 50% for
- better visualization. **B. Left panel:** Barplots above each branch of the phylogenic tree indicate
- 967 the number of orthogroups specific to each species or group of species; the color of the bar
- 968 indicates the size range of the corresponding orthogroups. Mid panel: For each of the
- hymenoptera species, are indicated the number of genes (i) specific to the species and present
- either as singletons or duplicates; (ii) present in ichneumonids; (iii) present in braconids; (iv)
- present in both ichneumonids and braconids; (v) present in all parasitoids and (vi) present in all
- 972 hymenoptera. **Right panel:** Matrices (represented as heatmaps) indicating, for each couple of
- species, the mean number (#) of genes in synteny blocs (SB), the percentage (%) of genes in
- 974 SBs, and the size of the genome (% nucleotides) in SBs. HDID, Hyposoter didymator
- 975 (ichneumonid); CSON, Campoletis sonorensis (ichneumonid); VCAN, Venturia canescens
- 976 (ichneumonid); MDEM, Microplitis demolitor (braconid); FARI, Fopius arisanus (braconid);
- 977 DALL, Diachasma alloeum (braconid).

978 Figure 2. Distribution of ichnovirus sequences within Campoletis sonorensis and 979 Hyposoter didymator genomes. A. Schematic representation of ichnovirus sequences within C. 980 sonorensis scaffolds. Segments CsP and CsL, located in short scaffolds, are not shown. B. 981 Schematic representation of ichnovirus sequences within H. didymator scaffolds. Segments 982 Hd45.1 and Hd51, located in short scaffolds, are not shown. See Additional file 3 for more 983 details. 984 Figure 3. Hyposoter didymator nested and duplicated viral segments. A. Genomic 985 architecture of the *H. didymator* ichnovirus (HdIV) segments described as distinct in Dorémus 986 et al., 2014 but found located in a single wasp genomic locus in the present work. In Dorémus 987 et al., 2014, segments with overlapping sequence were named Hd(n)a and Hd(n)b; they actually 988 consist in a single locus here named Hd(n). **B.** Segments duplicated in *H. didymator* genome. 989 Nucleotide percentage identity between the segment sequences is given on the right part of the 990 figure. Hd23, Hd44 and Hd45 have two copies (named Hd(n).1 and Hd(n).2) that are either in 991 the same scaffold but in different insertion sites or in two different scaffold; by contrast, Hd9 992 corresponds to a single viral loci containing an internal duplication (named "copy 1" and "copy 993 2" in the diagram). 994 Figure 4. Dispersion of the viral segments in the wasp genome. A. Distance (in Kbp) 995 between viral loci in *H. didymator* and *C. sonorensis* genomes. Data are given between 2 996 segments, between a segment and an IVSPER, and/or between 2 IVSPERs. B. FISH on H. 997 didymator chromosomes using BAC genomic clones containing HdIV segments as probes (see 998 material and methods part). Upper panels show hybridization using the probes containing viral 999 segments Hd11 (labeled with FITC) and Hd6 (labeled with rhodamine); lower panel the probes 1000 containing viral segments Hd30 (labeled with FITC) and Hd29 (labeled with rhodamine). Each 1001 of the probes hybridized with a different *H. didymator* chromosome: Hd11 hybridized with the 1002 shortest chromosome (#12) whereas Hd6 mapped to a medium-sized chromosome (potentially 1003 #5); Hd30 hybridized with a large chromosome (#2) and Hd29 with a shorter chromosome 1004 (#11).1005 Figure 5. Segment DRJ variability in terms of number per segment, size and excision sites 1006 in Hyposoter didymator. A. Examples of the different types of DRJ position. a. Segment with 1007 two copies of a single direct repeat (DRJ1L and DRJ1R), each at one end of the segment. b. 1008 Segment with two distinct repeated sequences (DRJ1, in yellow and DRJ2, in green), each 1009 present in two copies (DRJ1L and DRJ1R, DRJ2L and DRJ2R). c. Segment with two repeated 1010 sequences, each present in two or more copies. DRJ1s in yellow, DRJ2s in green, HdIV genes

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represented by arrows. **B.** Schematic representation of the homologous recombination between the two DRJs flanking the proviral sequence (DRJL and DRJR) to produce the circular molecules (segment) containing one recombined DRJ sequence. The excision sites being located at different positions in the DRJ, segments differing in their recombined DRJ sequence are generated (isoform 1, 2 or 3 in the diagram). Excision occurs more frequently at some positions, resulting in different relative amounts of each isoform (isoform 2 more frequent than isoforms 1 and 3 in the diagram). The inset describes the rationale of the algorithm developed to identify the "breaking points". Mapping of the segment sequence (DRJsegment) with the two parental DRJs - that differ in their sequences (nucleotide (nt) mismatches) - allows to identify the regions where occurred the switch from one parental DRJ to the other (in the diagram, the switch occurred between the first and second mismatch). C. Prediction of putative recombination breaking points in *H. didymator* DRJs. Each graph corresponds to the left copy of the DRJ for a given segment. The X axis is the position in the scaffold. The Y axis indicates the number of reads (obtained from sequencing of the packaged circular DNA molecules) confirming that the circle has been recombined at this position, based on the observed mismatches at both end of the segment for each reads.

Figure 6. Comparative analysis of Campoletis sonorensis and Hyposoter didymator viral segments. A. C. sonorensis ichnovirus (CsIV) segment size and gene content, i.e. the number of genes of each multigenic family found per segment. **B.** H. didymator ichnovirus (HdIV) segment size and gene content. For A and B: rep, repeat element genes; repM, repeat element genes with multiple repeated elements; vinx, viral innexin; vank, viral ankyrin; cys, cys-motif rich protein; PRRP, polar residue rich protein; N, N gene; Gly-Pro, glycine-proline rich protein. C. Synteny of *H. didymator* genomic regions where viral segments are inserted compared with C. sonorensis and other parasitoid genomes. a. Example of a syntenic region where only H. didymator genome presents a viral segment insertion. H. didymator genes from HD005010 to HD005030. **b.** The unique case found of a syntenic region where a viral segment in H. didymator and an IVSPER in C. sonorensis are inserted in the same position. H. didymator genes from HD010552 to HD010574. c. The unique case found of a syntenic region where a viral segment is inserted in both H. didymator and C. sonorensis genomes, but in two different positions. H. didymator genes from HD010503 to HD010526. Hd: Hyposoter didymator; Cs: Campoletis sonorensis; Vc: Venturia canescens (ichneumonid that has lost the ichnovirus ([62]); Md: Microplitis demolitor (braconid with a bracovirus); Fa: Fopius arisanus (braconid with virus-like particles). Numbers following the species name correspond to scaffold number

1044 for Hd, Cs and Vc, NCBI project codes for Md and Fa). Triangles within genomic regions

correspond to predicted genes; triangles of the same color correspond to orthologs; white

triangles are singletons or orphan genes. For better visualization, the name of the gene is

indicated only for some viral (in red for segments, in blue for IVSPERs) genes. See additional

file 8 for *H. didymator* genes list.

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- 1049 Figure 7. Comparative analysis of Campoletis sonorensis and Hyposoter didymator
- 1050 **IVSPERs.** A. List of IVSPER genes identified in four ichneumonid species. Hd, *Hyposoter*
- 1051 didymator; Cs, Campoletis sonorensis; Gf, Glypta fumiferanae (Banchinae) (from Béliveau et
- al., 2015); Ba, Bathyplectes anurus (Campopleginae) [74]. For the later, the number of gene
- copies in the genome is not known (presence of a gene copy indicated by an asterisk). **B**.
- 1054 Synteny between the IVSPERs identified in H. didymator (Hd) and C. sonorensis (Cs)
- genomes. H. didymator (Hd), where IVSPERs were first described is used as a reference. C.
- 1056 Synteny of *H. didymator* genomic regions containing IVSPERs compared with *C. sonorensis*
- and other parasitoid genomes. **a.** Synteny for *H. didymator* genomic region containing IVSPER-
- 1058 1 and -2 (genes from HD016092 to HD016153); no C. sonorensis scaffold corresponded to the
- 1059 *H. didymator* IVSPER insertion sites. **b.** Synteny for *H. didymator* genomic region containing
- 1060 IVSPER-4 (genes from HD001703 to HD001771); H. didymator IVSPER-4 and C. sonorensis
- 1061 IVSPER-4 are inserted in the same genomic environment. **c.** Synteny for *H. didymator* genomic
- region containing IVSPER-3 and -5 (genes from HD002066 to HD002111); in the region where
- 1063 H. didymator IVSPER-3 is inserted there is conservation in gene order compared to C.
- sonorensis but no viral insertion; conversely, H. didymator IVSPER-5 and C. sonorensis
- 1065 IVSPER-5 are inserted in the same genomic environment. Legend as in Figure 6. See additional
- file 8 for *H. didymator* genes list.

#### **Table of content for Additional files:**

- 1. Additional File 1 (word file). Orthogroups analyses.
- 1070 2. **Additional File 2 (word file).** Synteny blocks between pairwise comparisons of multiple parasitoid genomes.
- 3. **Additional File 3 (excell file).** List of scaffolds in *Hyposoter didymator* and *Campoletis sonorensis* genomes containing at least one ichnovirus sequence.

- 4. **Additional File 4 (excell file).** List of ichnoviral genes identified in *Hyposoter* didymator and *Campoletis sonorensis* genome scaffolds containing at least one
- ichnovirus sequence.
- 5. **Additional File 5 (excell file).** Transposable elements (TE) found in *Hyposter didymator* segments, IVSPERs and neighboring regions.
- 6. Additional File 6 (excell file). List of direct repeat junctions (DRJ) found in *Hyposoter* didymator and *Campoletis sonorensis* genome scaffolds.
- 7. **Additional File 7 (word file).** DRJs analysis.
- 8. **Additional File 8 (excell file).** List of the *Hyposoter didymator* genes present in the syntenic blocks represented in figures 6 and 7.
- 9. Additional File 9 (word file). Characteristics of the libraries used for genome assembly.

### **Additional files legends:**

- 1087 Additional File 1. Orthogroups analyses. A. Orthofinder clustering metrics. G50: cluster size
- at which 50% of genes are in an orthogroup (OG) of that size or greater. O50: fewest number
- of orthogroups required to reach G50; G50 (assigned genes) = 16; G50 (all genes) = 14; O50
- (assigned genes) = 3063; O50 (all genes) = 4112. **B.** Number of orthogroups shared by each
- species-pair (i.e. the number of orthogroups which contain at least one gene from each of the
- species-pairs). C. Number of species-specific orthogroups.
- 1093 Additional File 2. Synteny blocks between pairwise comparisons of multiple parasitoid
- genomes. Synteny blocks were computed using SynChro (Drillon et al., 2014), a tool based on
- a simple algorithm that computes Reciprocal Best-Hits (RBH) to reconstruct the backbones of
- the synteny blocks.
- 1097 Additional File 3. List of scaffolds in Hyposoter didymator and Campoletis sonorensis
- 1098 genomes containing at least on ichnovirus sequence. Are indicated the scaffold name and
- length, the name of the proviral segment or of the Ichnovirus structural protein encoding region
- (IVSPER) found in the scaffold, its length and position in the scaffold, the name of the direct
- repeats flanking the segment or within the segment, and the name of the genes predicted in each
- viral locus. DRJ, direct repeat junction; R, right; L, left; int, internal.
- 1103 Additional File 4. List of ichnoviral genes identified in *Hyposoter didymator* and *Campoletis*
- sonorensis genome scaffolds containing at least on ichnovirus sequence. Are indicated the
- scaffold name, the name of the proviral segment or of the Ichnovirus structural protein encoding
- region (IVSPER) found in the scaffold, its length and position in the scaffold, the name of the

1107 gene, its position in the scaffold, if it contains or not an intron, the size of the predicted protein, 1108 then the NCBI blast P search results (NCBI accession number and ID of the best match, the 1109 blstP e-value and the percentage of identities). 1110 **Additional File 5.** Transposable elements (TE) found in *Hyposter didymator* segments, 1111 IVSPERs and neighboring regions. The LOLA package (Sheffield and Bock, 2016) was used 1112 to assess if some particular TE were enriched close to viral circles or IVSPER. Genomics 1113 positions were enlarged to 10 kbp at each segments ends and sampled against 1,000 other 1114 similar regions from the genome, then used it a random reference. LOLA identifies overlaps 1115 and calculates enrichment for each TE. For each pairwise comparison, a series of columns 1116 describe the results of the statistical test (pvalueLog: -log10(pvalue) from the fisher's exact 1117 result; oddsRatio: result from the fisher's exact test; q-value transformation to provide false 1118 discovery rate (FDR) scores automatically). Some TE are enriched around viral locations, but 1119 after FDR correction, nothing was significant. 1120 **Additional File 6.** List of direct repeat junctions (DRJ) found at the ends or within proviral 1121 segments genes identified in Hyposoter didymator and Campoletis sonorensis genome 1122 scaffolds. Are indicated the scaffold name, the name of the proviral segment, its length and 1123 position in the scaffold, the name of the DRJ, its length and position in the scaffold and the DRJ 1124 sequence. Nucleotide identities are indicated for each pair of DRJ. Additional File 7. DRJs analysis. A. DNA motifs found in the direct repeated sequences 1125 1126 flanking the IV segments inserted in wasp genomes. Analysis was performed using the 1127 DNAMINDA2 webserver (http://bmbl.sdstate.edu/DMINDA2/annotate.php); the input dataset 1128 was composed of 99 DRJ sequences (right junctions of HdIV and CsIV segments). A total of 1129 89 motifs were obtained; only those whose occurrence exceed 70% of the DRJs are reported. 1130 **B.** Occurrence rate of motifs predicted with DMINDA 2.0 webserver in DRJs and whole 1131 genome sequences. Each of the two motifs was search among the 6 bp kmers present in the 1132 whole genome (201,969,604) and in the DRJs (33,930). The significance was evaluated using 1133 a Chi2 (taking into account the ratio of these motifs / all the other motifs in the DRJS and in the 1134 genome). C. Alignments of Sanger-sequenced DRJ regions from integrated and circular forms 1135 of seven *H. didymator* IV segments containing a putative excision site. 1136 **Additional File 8.** List of the *Hyposoter didymator* genes present in the syntenic blocks represented in figures 6 and 7. Are indicated the *H. didymator* gene ID, its position in the 1137 1138 scaffold, the number of the orthogroup to which it belongs and the result of the best match

obtained following Blast similarity search. For each H. didymator gene, the corresponding

- 1140 Campoletis sonorensis gene ID, orthogroup number and position in C. sonorensis scaffold are
- 1141 indicated.
- 1142 Additional File 9. Characteristics of the libraries used for genome assembly. A. Campoletis
- sonorensis. **B.** Hyposoter didymator.

**Table 1.** Summary statistics for *H. didymator* and *C. sonorensis* assembled genomes and for other selected parasitoid genomes.

	Hyposoter didymator	Campoletis sonorensis	Venturia canescens	Microplitis demolitor	Fopius arisanus	Diachasma alloeum	Nasonia vitripennis
Number of scaffolds	2,591	11,756	62,001	1,794	1,042	3,968	6,098
Total length (Mbp)	198.7	258.9	237.8	241.2	153.6	388.8	295.8
Longest scaffold (Mbp)	15.7	6.1	0.85	7.15	5.5	6.61	33.57
Scaffold N50 (Mbp)	4.00	0.73	0.114	1.14	0.98	0.65	0.90
Median scaffold size (nt)	1,941	3,200	233	2,621	12,305	4,372	2,037
Contig N50 (bp)	151,312	315,222	15,077	14,499	59,408	50,453	18,840
%N	1.35%	0.40%	1.70%	14.65%	8.24%	6.16%	19.33%
GC (%)	39.5%	37.2%	39.33%	25.99%	35.42%	36.09%	33.65%
Reference	/	/	Pichon <i>et</i> <i>al.</i> , 2015 [62]	Burke <i>et</i> <i>al.</i> , 2018 [27]	Geib <i>et al.</i> , 2017 [59]	Tvedte <i>et al.</i> , 2019 [60]	Werren <i>et</i> <i>al.</i> , 2010 [61]

**Table 2.** Transposable elements (TE) in the genomes of *Hyposoter didymator* and *Campoletis sonorensis*.

	Hyposoter didymator		Campoletis sonorensis	
TE classes	Number	Percentage of TE classes	Number	Percentage of TE classes
LINE	98	10%	189	20%
LTR	106	11%	193	20%
SINE	33	3%	56	6%
DNA	299	30%	314	33%
Others	464	46%	199	21%
Total	1000	/	951	/

**Table 3.** Gene annotation statistics for *Hyposoter didymator* and *Campoletis sonorensis* assembled genomes.

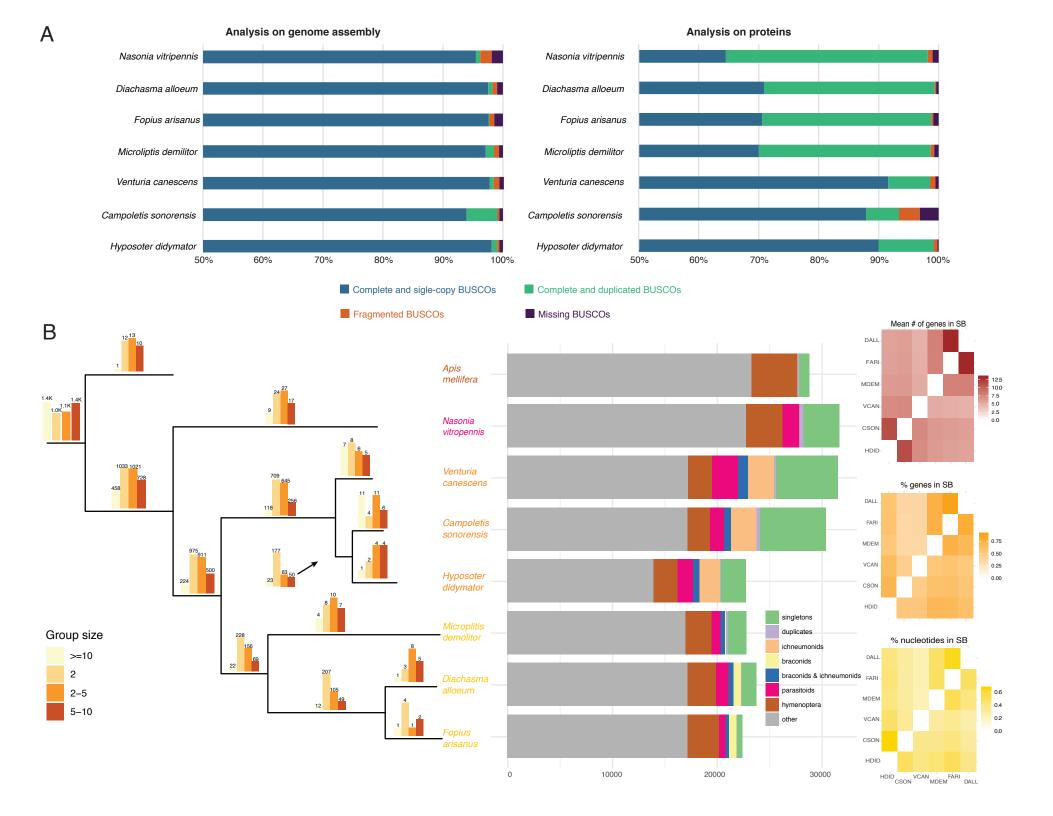
	Hyposoter didymator	Campoletis sonorensis
Transcript number	18,119	21,915
Total transcript size (nt)	95,868,518	68,669,265
Mean transcript size (nt)	5,291	3,133
Median transcript size	2,428	1,934
(nt)		
Total exon number	98,639	93,590
Mean exon number	5.4	4.3
Median exon number	4	3
Total exon size (nt)	28,900,964	27,144,418
Mean exon size (nt)	292	290
Median exon size (nt)	186	192
Total intron size (nt)	66,540,946	41,453,172
Mean intronssize (nt)	826	578
Median intron size (nt)	245	296
Total CDS size (nt)	28,900,964	27,144,418
Mean CDS size (nt)	1,595	1,239
Median CDS size (nt)	1,090	806

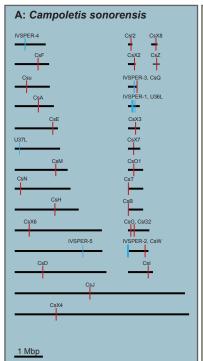
**Table 4.** Summary of the number of viral loci identified in the genomes of *Campoletis sonorensis* (Cs) and *Hyposoter didymator* (Hd), in comparison with data available in NCBI database.

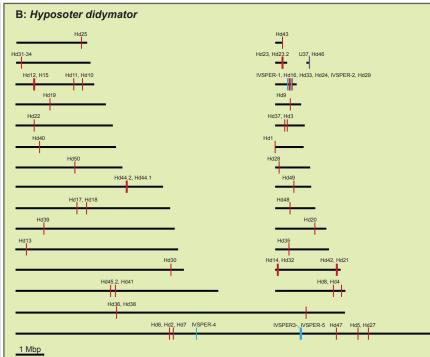
	Cs	Hd
Number of segments in NCBI	25	50
Number of segments in genome	31	54
NCBI segments not found in genome	2 (CsA2, CsK)	0
Merged segments (compared to	0	6 (Hd2, Hd11, Hd17,
NCBI)		Hd20, Hd26, Hd31-
		34)
<b>Duplicated segments (compared to</b>	0	3 (Hd23, Hd44,
NCBI)		Hd45)
Newly identified segments	8 (CsX1 to CsX8)	6 (Hd46 to Hd51)
"Isolated" segment genes (short	2	1
scaffolds)		
Total number of segment loci in	33	55
genome		
Number of IVSPERs in NCBI	0	3
Number of IVSPERs in genome	5	5
NCBI IVSPERs not found in genome	na	0
Newly identified IVSPERs	5	2
"Isolated" IVSPER genes	2	1
Total number of IVSPER loci in	7	6
genome		

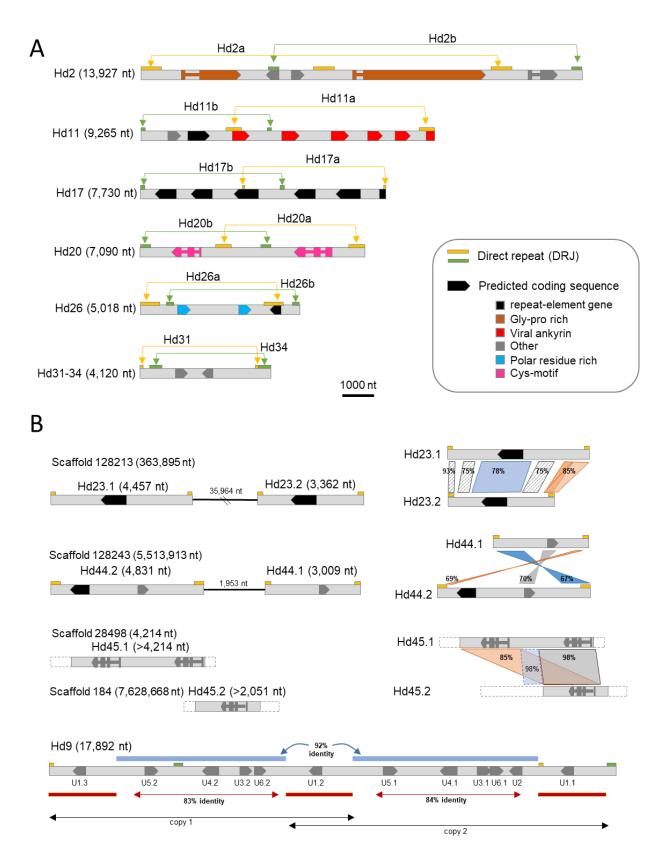
**Table 5**. Comparative gene content of the IV segments from the campoplegine wasps *Hyposoter didymator* (HdIV) and *Campoletis sonorensis* (CsIV).

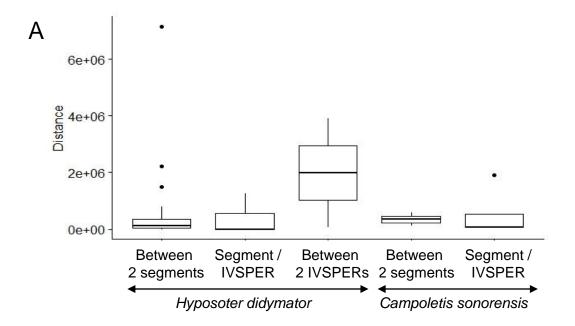
IV Gene family	HdIV	CsIV
repeat element genes	38	51
viral innexins	17	6
viral ankyrins	10	16
cys-motif proteins	9	13
polar-residue-rich proteins	5	nd
N-genes	3	3
Total	82	88
HdIV gene family		
glycine-proline rich proteins	3	/
Hypothetical Protein (HP)	19	/
Total	22	/
HdIV single gene		
K19 (GenBank: AF241775.1)	1	/
<i>P30</i> (GenBank: KJ586328.1)	1	/
Serine-threonine rich protein	1	/
Undetermined (U)	45	/
CsIV single gene		
Hypothetical Protein (HP)	/	22
TOTAL	152	111

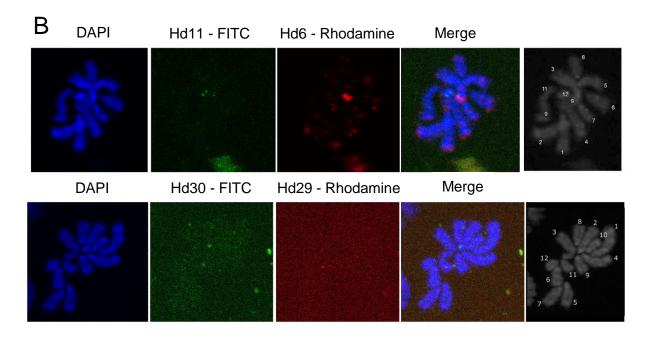


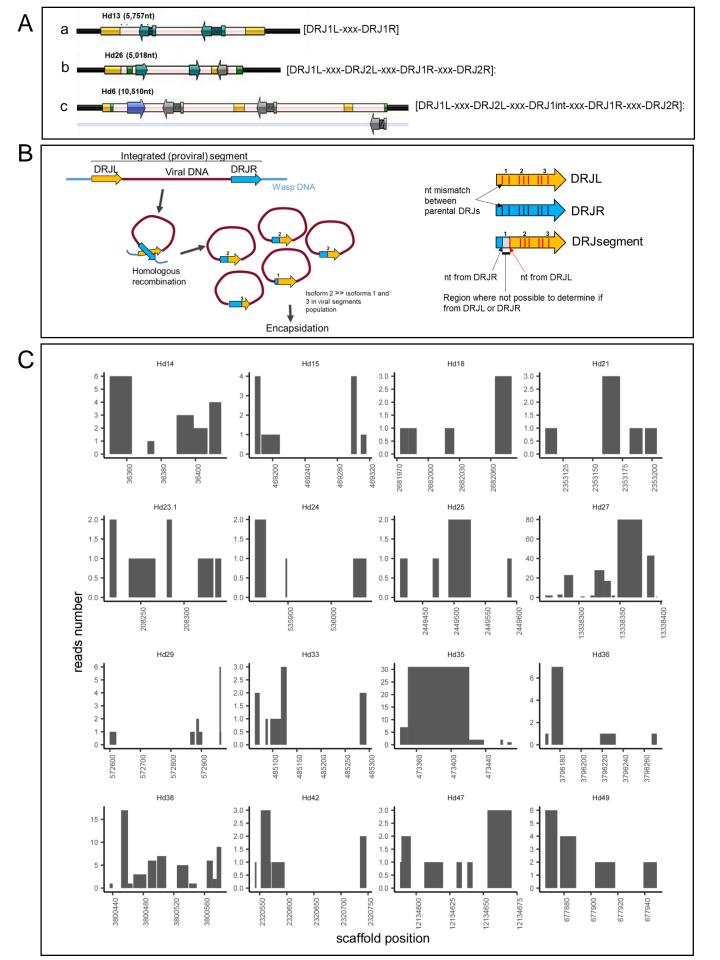


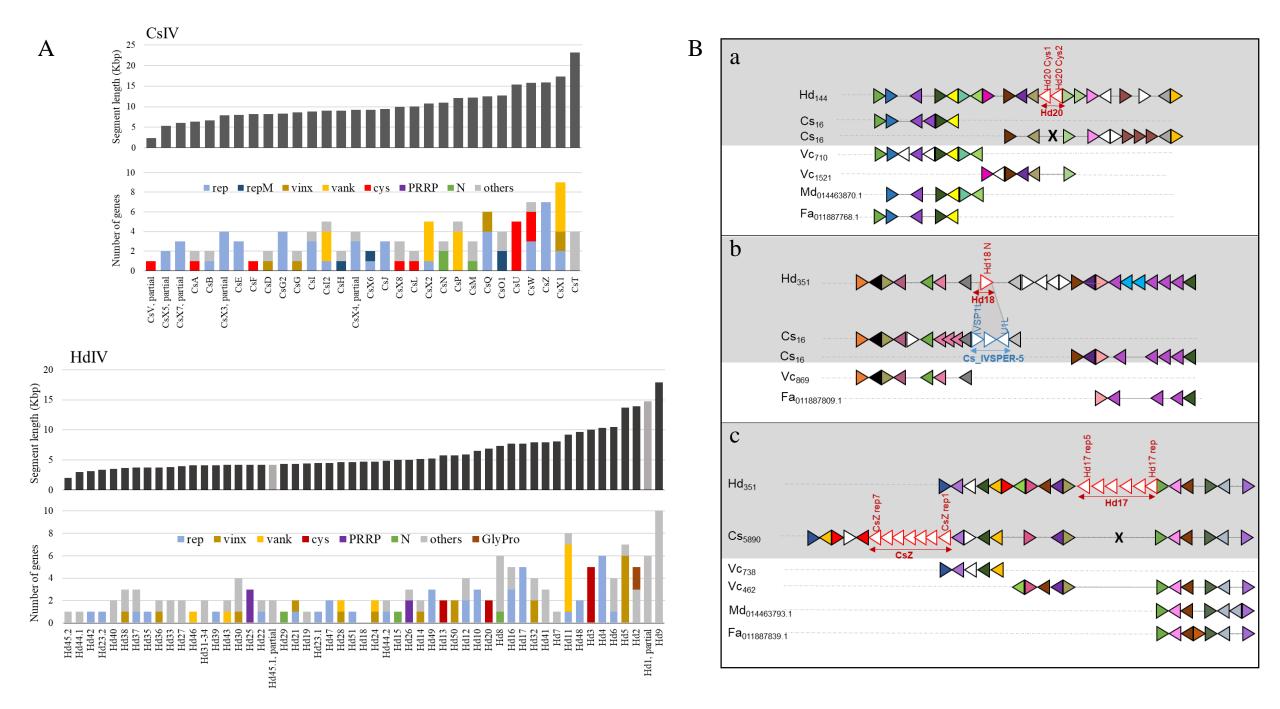


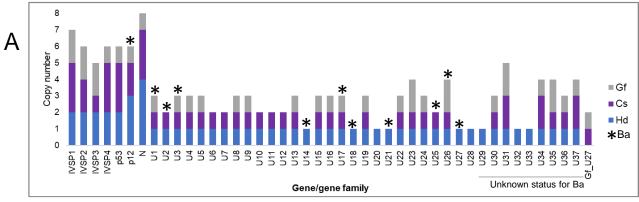












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