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Bicolor angelfish (*Centropyge bicolor*) provides the first chromosome-level genome of the Pomacanthidae family

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22 Abstract

23	The Bicolor Angelfish, Centropyge bicolor, is a tropical coral reef fish. It is named for
24	its striking two-color body. However, a lack of high-quality genomic data means little is
25	known about the genome of this species. Here, we present a chromosome-level C .
26	bicolor genome constructed using Hi-C data. The assembled genome is 650 Mbp in
27	size, with a scaffold N50 value of 4.4 Mbp, and a contig N50 value of 114 Kbp.
28	Protein-coding genes numbering 21,774 were annotated. Our analysis will help others
29	to choose the most appropriate de novo genome sequencing strategy based on resources
30	and target applications. To the best of our knowledge, this is the first chromosome-level
31	genome for the Pomacanthidae family, which might contribute to further studies
32	exploring coral reef fish evolution, diversity and conservation.

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34 Data Description

35 Background

Centropyge bicolor (NCBI:txid109723; FishbaseID: 5454;
urn:lsid:marinespecies.org:taxname:211780) (Figure 1), also known as the Bicolor,
Two-Colored, or Pacific Rock Beauty Angelfish, is a showy coral reef fish commonly

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39	distributed in the Indo-Pacific ocean (from East Africa to the Samoan and Phoenix
40	Islands, north to southern Japan, south to New Caledonia; throughout Micronesia). As
41	a member of the Pomacanthidae family, it is similar to those of the Chaetodontidae
42	(Butterflyfishes) but is distinguished by the presence of strong preopercle spines. C.
43	bicolor has clear boundaries between its body colors, so might be a good model in
44	which to study body color development in coral fish ^[1] .

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46 **Context**

Although the availability of genetic, and especially genomic resources, remains limited
for the Pomacanthidae family, we assembled the first *C. bicolor* reference genome. This
will provide valuable information for genetic studies of this coral reef fish, and will
contribute to studies in body color diversity. With the whole genome sequence of *C. bicolor*, it might be possible to explore the genetic mechanisms of body color
development in coral reef fish by comparative genomic methods.

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54 Methods and Results

A protocols collection for BGISEQ-500, stLFR and Hi-C library construction is
available in protocols.io (Figure 2) ^[2].

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Figure 2. Protocols for BGISEQ-500, stLRF and Hi-C library preparation and construction, and genome assembly, for the Bicolor Angelfish, *Centropyge bicolor*^[2].

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61 Sample collection and genome sequencing

A *C. bicolor* individual was collected from the market in Xiamen, Fujian Province,
China. DNA was extracted from fresh muscle tissue according to a standard protocol.
Single-tube long fragment read (stLFR)^[2] and Hi-C libraries were constructed
following the manufacturers' instructions^[2,3] to sequence and assemble the genome.
We obtained 130.47 Gbp (gigabase pairs; ~197×) raw stLFR data and 134.57 Gbp
(~203.20×) raw Hi-C data (Table 1) using the BGISEQ-500 platform in 100-bp
(basepair) paired-end mode.

Low-quality reads (sequences with more than 40% of bases with a quality score lower than 8), polymerase chain reaction (PCR) duplications, adaptor sequences and reads with a high (greater than 10%) proportion of ambiguous bases (Ns) occurring in stLFR data were filtered using SOAPnuke (v1.6.5; RRID:SCR_015025)^[4]. We obtained

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73	62.6 Gbp	(~91.67×)	clean	data	(Table	1)	to	assemble	the	draft	genome.	Meanwhile,
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HiC-Pro (v. 2.8.0)^[5] was used for the quality control of raw Hi-C data, and 42.51 Gbp

75 (~ $64.19\times$) valid data were used to assemble the genome to the chromosome-level

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Table 1. Statistics of DNA sequencing data.

		Raw data		Valid data		
Libraries	Read length	Total bases		Total bases		
		(Gbp)	depth (×)	(Gbp)	(x)	
stLFR	100:100	130.47	197.00	60.71	91.67	
Hi-C	100:100	134.57	203.20	42.51	64.19	

79 Sequencing depth = Total bases / Genome size, where the genome size is the result of *k*-mer estimation, as shown

80 in Table 2.

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82 Genome assembly

Using GenomeScope software with stLFR clean data, *k*-mer distribution was used to
understand the genome complexity before genome assembly^[6]. The genome size of *C*. *bicolor* was estimated as 662.27 Mbp (megabase pairs), with 37.6% repeat sequences

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and 1.16% heterozygous sites (Table 2, Figure 3).

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Table 2. Statistical information of 17-mer analysis.

<i>k</i> -mer	<i>k</i> -mer number	<i>k-</i> mer Depth	Heterozygosity (%)	Genome size (Mbp)
17	50,994,645,240	77	1.16	662.27

89 The genome size, G, was defined as $G = K_{num}/K_{depth}$, where K_num is the total number of k-mers, and

90 K_depth is the most frequently occurring *k*-mer.

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We reformatted the clean stLFR data into 10× Genomics format using an in-house
script(https://github.com/BGI-Qingdao/stlfr2supernova_pipeline) and assembled the
draft genome using Supernova (v.2.0.1, RRID:SCR_016756)^[7] with default
parameters. The draft genome was 681 Mbp, with a contig N50 of 115.5 Kbp (kilobase
pairs) and scaffold N50 of 4.4 Mbp (Table 3), which is similar to the estimated genome
size.

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Table 3. Statistics of the draft assembly with stLFR data.

Statistics	Contig	Scaffold

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Total number (#)	40,442	29,065
Total length (bp)	655,705,062	681,285,455
Gap (N) (bp)	0	25,580,393
Average length (bp)	16,213.47	23,440.06
N50 length (bp)	115,524	4,424,004
N90 length (bp)	6,029	7,618
Maximum length (bp)	1,148,507	21,943,074
Minimum length (bp)	48	940
GC content (%)	41.74	41.74

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To obtain the chromosome-level genome, we used Juicer (v3, RRID:SCR_017226)^[8] 101 to build a contact matrix and 3dDNA(v. 170123)^[9]to sort and anchor scaffolds with 102 the parameters: "-m haploid -s 4 -c 24". There are 24 distinct contact blocks, which 103 correspond to 24 chromosomes, representing 96% of the whole genome (Figure 4A, 104 105 Figure 5, Table 4). On evaluating the completeness of the genome and gene set using 106 Benchmarking Universal Single-Copy Orthologs (BUSCO,(v.3.0.2 , RRID:SCR_015008)) ^[10] and a vertebrata database, our assembly maintained a score 107 of 96.2% (Table 5). We also identified putative homologous chromosomal regions 108

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109 between *C. bicolor* and *Oryzias latipes* by MCscanx^[11](Figure 6).

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111 **Table 4.** Statistics of the chromosome-level genome.

Statistics	Contig	Scaffold
Total number (#)	40,778	28,555
Total length (bp)	655,705,062	680,873,932
Gap (N) (bp)	0	25,168,870
Average length (bp)	16,079.87	23,844.30
N50 length (bp)	113,563	21,943,074
N90 length (bp)	5,988	7,542
Maximum length (bp)	1,148,507	28,105,280
Minimum length (bp)	43	43
GC content (%)	41.74	41.74

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113 **Table 5.** Statistics of the BUSCO assessment.

Types of BUSCOs	Gene set	Assembly

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	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage	
		(%)		(%)	
Complete BUSCOs	2,408	93.1	2,486	96.2	
Complete single-cop	y 2,348	90.8	2,438	94.3	
BUSCOs					
Fragmented BUSCOs	81	3.1	64	2.5	
Missing BUSCOs	97	3.8	36	1.3	
Total BUSCO groups searched	2,586	100	2,586	100	

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In addition, we cut off partial stLFR reads (25 M) for assembly by MitoZ with default parameters^[12], and obtained a 16,961-bp circular mitochondrial genome of *C*. *bicolor*. Thirteen protein-coding genes, 24 tRNA genes and three rRNA genes were annotated by GeSeq^[13] (Figure 4B).

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120 Genomic annotation

For the annotation of repeats, we carried out homolog annotation and *ab initio*prediction independently. RepeatMasker (v.4.0.6 , RRID:SCR_012954)^[14],
RepeatProteinMask (a module from RepeatMasker) and trf (Tandem Repeats Finder,

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124	v.4.07b) ^[15] were used to identify known repetitive sequences by comparing the whole
125	genome with RepBase ^[16] . LTR_FINDER (v.1.06, RRID:SCR_015247) ^[17] [15] and
126	RepeatModeler (v.1.0.8, RRID:SCR_015027) ^[18] were used in <i>de novo</i> prediction. We
127	also classified transposable elements (TEs) from the integration of all repeats. In total,
128	we identified 124 Mbp (18.32% of the entire genome) of repetitive sequences (Figure
129	4A, Table 6), including 110 Mbp of TEs (Figure 4A, Table 7).

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131	Table 6. Statistics of repetitive sequences.
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Туре	Repeat size (bp)	Percentage of genome (%)
TRF	14,165,095	2.08
RepeatMasker	43,423,877	6.38
RepeatProteinMask	12,503,750	1.84
De novo	110,871,693	16.28
Total	124,708,977	18.32

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Table 7. Statistics of transposable elements.

Repbase TEs, n Protein TEs, n De novo TEs, n Combined TEs, n

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	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	
DNA	27,163,851	1,068,990 (0.157)	61,731,447	70.025.062 (10.417)	
DNA	(3.990)	1,068,990 (0.157)	(9.067)	70,925,963 (10.417)	
LINE	10,228,332	6,956,340 (1.022)	20,006,579	26,714,285 (3.924)	
LINE	(1.502)	0,750,540 (1.022)	(2.938)	20,714,203 (3.924)	
SINE	856,125 (0.126)	0 (0.000)	497,024 (0.073)	1,187,676 (0.174)	
LTR	10,971,817	4,485,808 (0.659)	16,270,071	22 101 520 (2 202)	
	(1.611)	+,+65,606 (0.039)	(2.390)	23,101,529 (3.393)	
Other	10,041 (0.001)	0	0	10,041 (0.001)	
Unknown	0	0	14,054,230	14,054,230 (2.064)	
Unknown	U	0	(2.064)	17,007,200 (2.004)	
Total	43,423,877	12,503,750	99,265,690	109,868,166	
10141	(6.378)	(1.836)	(14.579)	(16.136)	

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Homolog-based and *ab initio* prediction were used to identify the protein-coding
genes. Augustus (v.3.3, RRID:SCR_008417)^[19] was used in *ab initio* prediction basing
on a repeat-masked genome^[20]. Protein sequences of *Astatotilapia calliptera*, *Danio rerio*, *Larimichthys crocea*, and *Oreochromis niloticus* were downloaded from the
National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI) GenBank database and aligned

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140	to the C. bicolor genome for homolog gene annotation with Genewise (v2.4.1,
141	RRID:SCR_015054) ^[21] . Finally, we used GLEAN ^[22] to integrate all the above
142	evidence and obtained a total of 21,774 genes, which contained 11 exons on average
143	and had an average coding sequence (CDS) length of 1,575 bp (Table 8).

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145 **Table 8.** Statistics of the predicted genes in the bicolor angelfish genome.

	<u> </u>	Gene	Average transcript	Average CDS	Average intron	Average exon	Average
	Gene set	number	length	length	length	length	exons per gene
			(bp)	(bp)	(bp)	(bp)	gene
Homolog	Astatotilapia calliptera	51,174	21,762.29	2,259.23	1,691.33	180.29	12.53
	Danio rerio	22,005	27,982.75	1,570.36	3,438.82	180.90	8.68
	Larimichthys crocea	47,419	19,884.78	2,139.39	1,575.94	174.50	12.26
	Oreochromis niloticus	47,067	17,771.04	1,906.97	1,608.29	175.53	10.86
De novo	Augustus	34,470	9,675.42	1,335.20	1,344.81	185.40	7.20

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GLEAN	21,774	14,024.40	1,906.28	1,206.07	172.55	11.05

146 The GLEAN gene set is the integrated result of *de novo* gene predictions and homolog gene predictions.

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- 148 To predict gene functions, 21,774 genes were aligned against several public
- 149 databases, including TrEMBL^[23], SwissProt^[23], KEGGViewer^[24] and InterProScan^[25].
- 150 As a result, 99.67% of all genes were predicted functionally (Table 9, Figure 7).

Table 9. Statistics of the functional annotation.

Database	Number	Percentage (%)
Total	21,774	100.00
SwissProt	20,784	95.45
KEGG	19,168	88.03
TrEMBL	21,688	99.61
Interpro	20,153	92.56
Overall	21,702	99.67

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153 **Phylogenetic analysis**

154 We downloaded the gene data of seven representative teleost fishes from NCBI to

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155	study the phylogenetic relationships between C. bicolor. These seven fishes were:
156	Danio rerio, Gasterosteus aculeatus, Gadus morhua, Larimichthys crocea, Oryzias
157	latipes, Oreochromis niloticus and Tetraodon nigroviridis. For each dataset, the
158	longest transcripts were selected and aligned to each other by BLASTP (v2.9.0,
159	RRID:SCR_001010) ^[26] (E-value \leq 1e-5). TreeFam (v.2.0.9, RRID:SCR_013401) ^[27]
160	was used to cluster gene families, with default parameters. Among all 20,706 clustered
161	gene families, there were 4,450 common single-copy families and 57 families specific
162	to C. bicolor (Table 10). With single-copy sequences, we used PhyML
163	$(v.3.3, RRID: SCR_014629)^{[28]}$ to construct the phylogenetic tree of <i>C. bicolor</i> and the
164	seven other fishes mentioned above, setting D. rerio as an outgroup.

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Species	Total	Unclustered	Families	Unique	Average number of
	genes	genes		families	genes per family
Centropyge	21,774	694	16,219	57	1.3
bicolor					
Danio rerio	30,067	2,188	18,575	726	1.5
Gasterosteus	20,756	784	15,921	16	1.25
aculeatus					
Gadus morhua	19,987	535	15,630	9	1.24
Larimichthys	24,403	610	17,273	55	1.38
crocea					

166 **Table 10. Statistics of gene family clustering.**

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Oryzias latipes	19,535	1,048	14,805	87	1.25	
Oreochromis	21,431	180	15,780	14	1.35	
niloticus						
Tetraodon	19,544	901	14,803	57	1.26	
nigroviridis						

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Based on the phylogenetic tree and single-copy sequences, the divergence time between different species was estimated by MCMCTREE with parameters of "--model 0 --rootage 500 -clock 3". The results showed that *C. bicolor* was formed ~34.95 million years ago, when differentiated from the common ancestor with *L.crocea* (Figure 8).

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174 Analysis of bicolor formation in teleosts

175 Current studies suggest that different pigment cells produce different pigments. Some 176 types of pigment cells already have been identified in teleost^[29]. *C. bicolor* has an 177 attractive body color with clear color boundaries, but the molecular mechanism 178 underlying this remains unknown. Compared with other teleost, there are 1,081 179 expanded gene families and 57 specific gene families in *C. bicolor* (Figure 9). 180 Functional enrichment analysis showed that notable expansion occurred in those gene 181 families related to visual development and enzyme metabolism (Figure 9).

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183 Re-use Potential

184	Coral reef fishes, with distinctive color patterns and color morphs, are important for
185	understanding the adaptive evolution of fishes. In this study, we firstly assembled a
186	high-quality, chromosome-level genome of C. bicolor, with a length of 681 Mbp, and
187	annotated 21,774 genes. This is the first genome of a fish from the Pomacanthidae
188	family. These genomic data will be useful for genome-scale comparisons and further
189	studies on the mechanisms underlying colorful body development and adaptation.

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191 Data Availability

The data sets supporting the results of this article are available in the GigaScience Database, doi: 10.5524/100802. Raw reads from genome sequencing and assembly are deposited at the China National Gene Bank under reference number CNP0001160, which contains sample information (CNS0315939), Hi-C raw data (CNX0286336) and stLFR raw data (CNX0286337). The project also has been deposited at NCBI under accession ID PRJNA702283.

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Declarations

200 List of Abbreviations

201 bp: base pair; BUSCO: Benchmarking Universal Single-Copy Orthologs; Gbp:

- 202 gigabase pair; Kbp: kilobase pair; KEGG: Kyoto Enyclopedia of Genes and Genomes;
- 203 Mbp: megabase pair; NCBI: National Center for Biotechnology Information; stLFR:
- single-tube long fragment reads; TE: transposable element.

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206 Ethical Approval

- 207 All resources used in this study were approved by the Institutional Review Board of
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319 Figure Legends

- **Figure 1.** Photograph of *Centropyge bicolor*.
- 321 Figure 2. Protocols for BGISEQ-500, stLRF and Hi-C library preparation and
- 322 construction, and genome assembly, for the Bicolor Angelfish, *Centropyge bicolor*^[2].
- **Figure 3.** The 17-mer depth distribution of *Centropyge bicolor*.
- The estimated genome size is 662.27 Mbp and the heterozygosity is 1.16%.
- 325 Figure 4. Annotation of the *Centropyge bicolor* genome. (A) Basic genomic elements
- 326 of the Centropyge bicolor genome. LTR, long terminal repeat; LINE, long
- interspersed nuclear elements; SINE, short interspersed elements. (**B**) Physical map of

328	mitochondrial assemb	oly.
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Figure 5. Heat map of interactive intensity between chromosome sequences.

- Figure 6. Homologous chromosomal regions between *Centropyge bicolor* and
 Oryzias latipes.
- **Figure 7.** Venn diagram of orthologous gene families.
- 333 Four teleost species (*Centropyge. bicolor, Larimichthys crocea, Oreochromis niloticus,*
- and Danio rerio) were used to generate the Venn diagram based on gene family
- 335 cluster analysis.

	336	Figure 8.	Comp	oarative	analysis	of the	Centropyge	bicolor	genome.
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337	(A) The protein-coding genes of the eight species were clustered into 17,849 gene
338	families. Among these gene families, 4,450 were single-copy gene families. (B)
339	Phylogenetic analysis of Centropyge bicolor (Cbi.), Danio rerio (Dre.), Gasterosteus
340	aculeatus (Gac.), Gadus morhua (Gmo.), Larimichthys crocea (Lcr.), Oryzias latipes
341	(Ola.), Oreochromis niloticus (Oni.), and Tetraodon nigroviridis (Tni.) using
342	single-copy gene families. The species differentiation time between Centropyge
343	bicolor and Larimichthys crocea was ~34.95 million years.
344	Figure 9. Statistics of gene function enrichment (Gene Ontology) for expanded genes

- 345 of *Centropyge. bicolor*.
- Nodes are colored by *q*-value (adjusted *p*-value). Node size is shown according to its
- 347 enriched gene number.

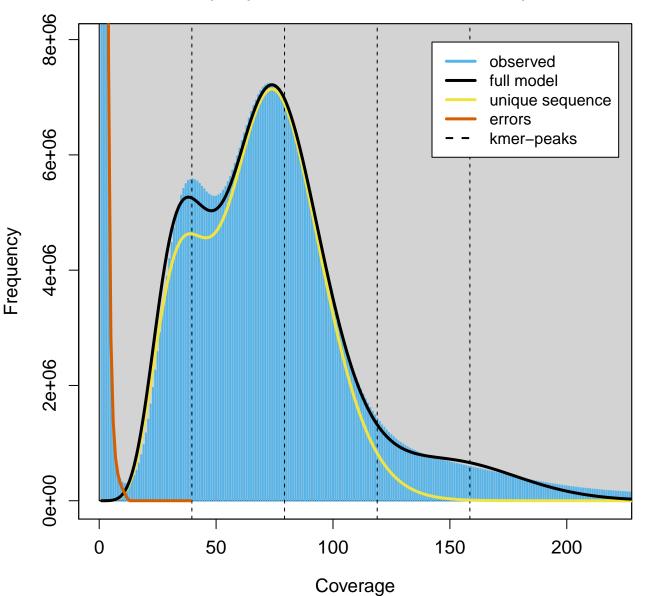


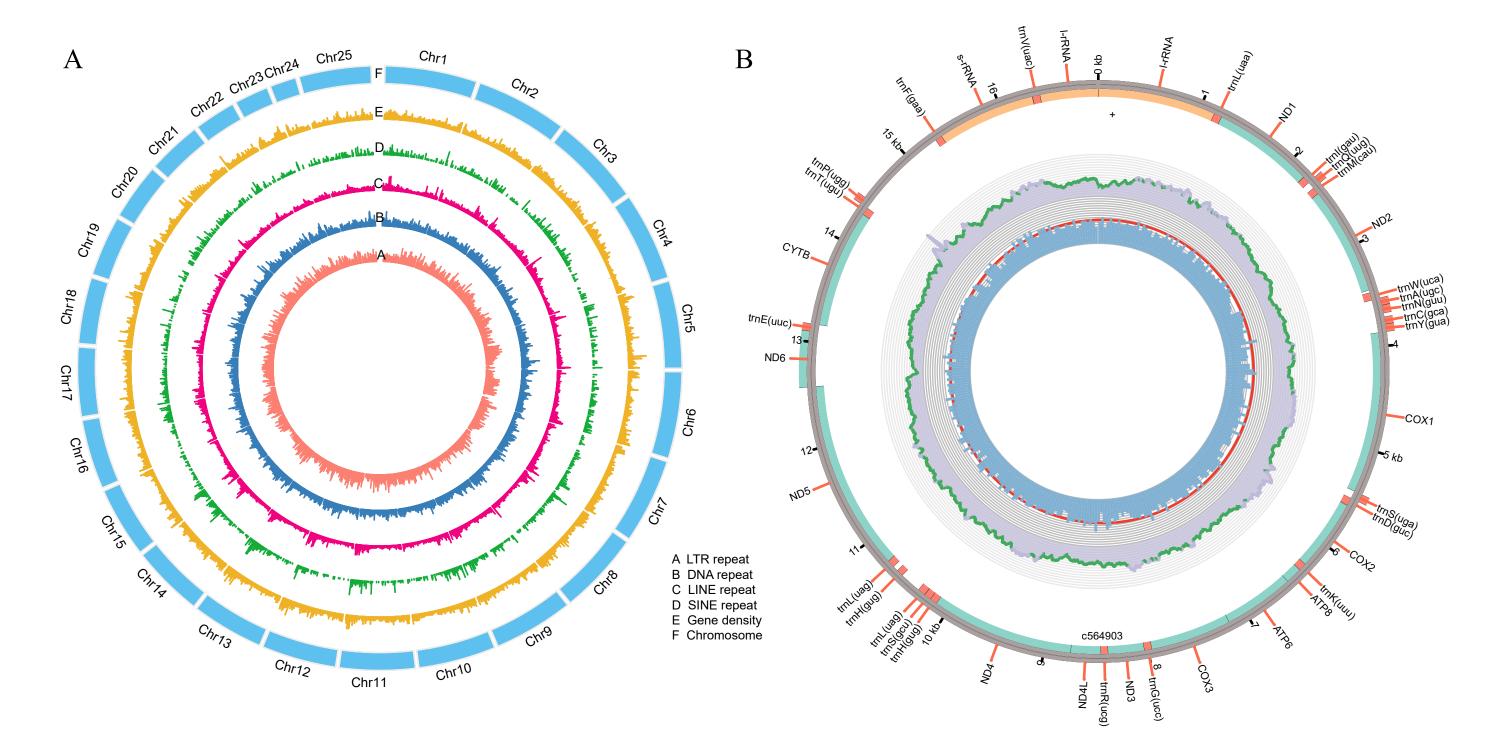


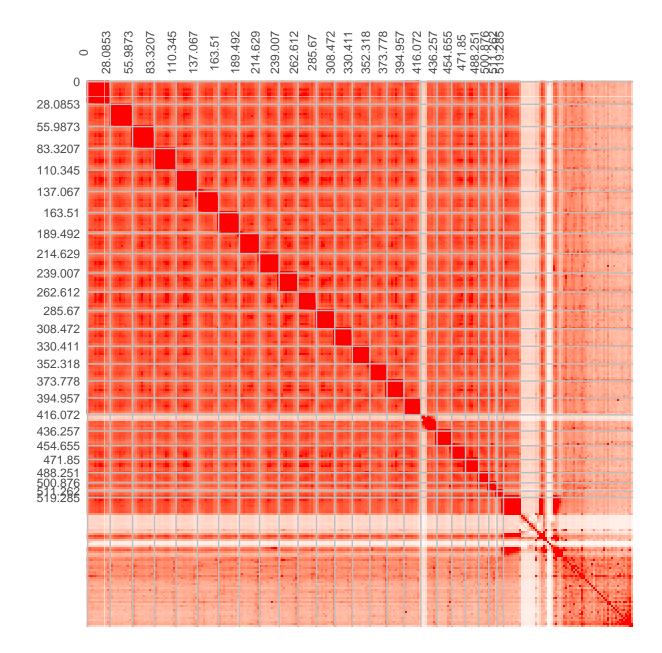


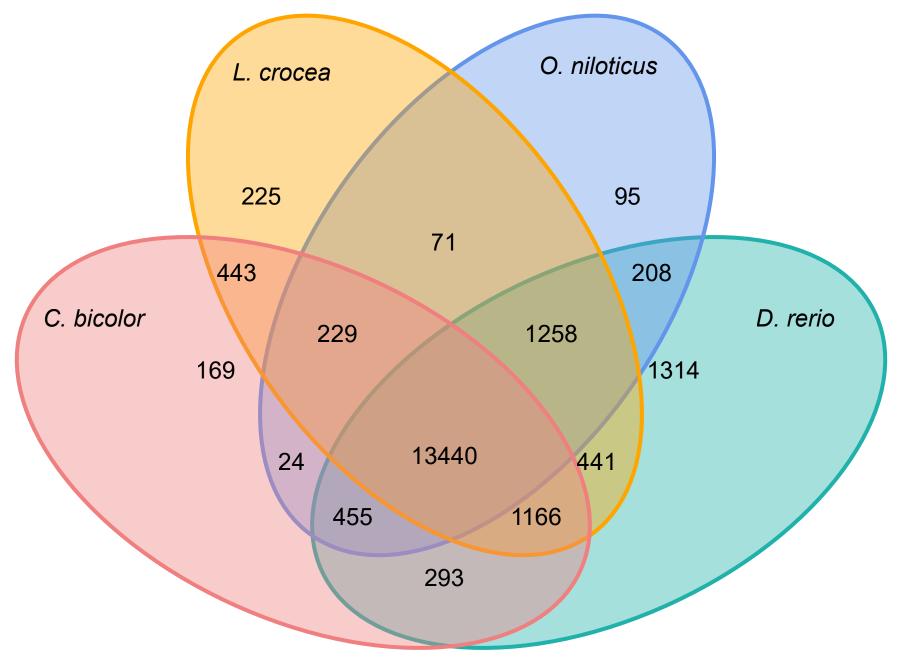
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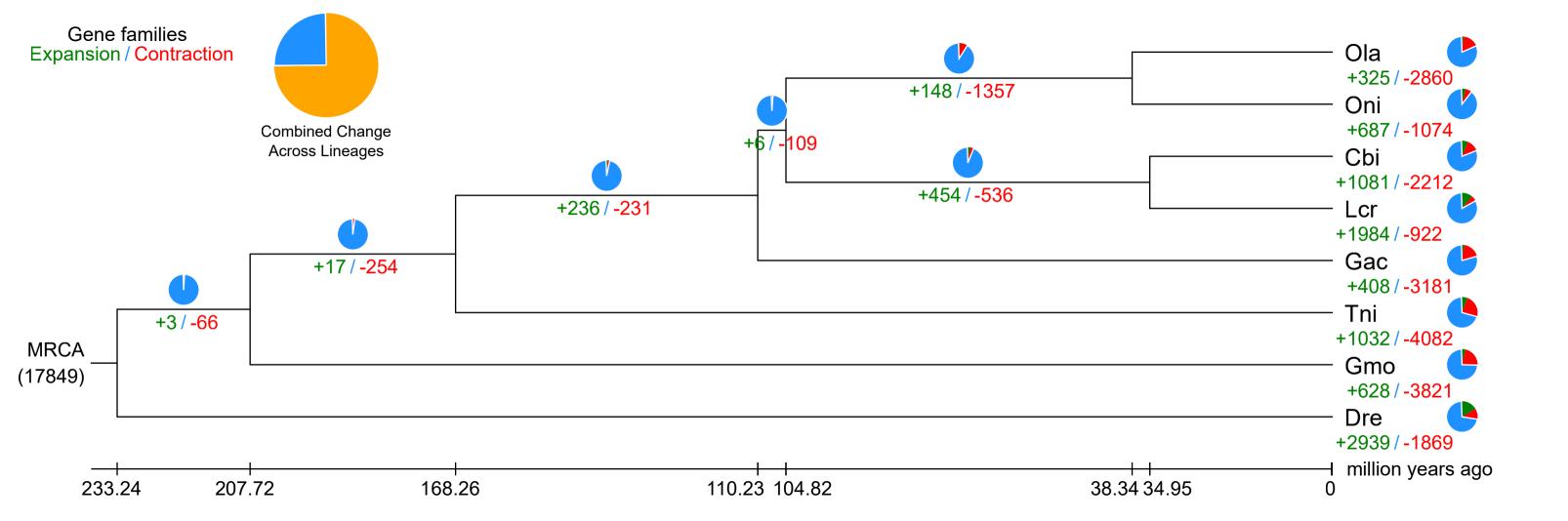








Number of gene families



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Statistics of Enrichment