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The genome sequence of the Buff Arches, *Habrosyne pyritoides* (Hufnagel, 1766) [version 1; peer review: awaiting peer review]

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Abstract

We present a genome assembly from an individual male *Habrosyne pyritoides* (the Buff Arches; Arthropoda; Insecta; Lepidoptera; Drepanidae). The genome sequence is 400.6 megabases in span. The whole assembly is scaffolded into 31 chromosomal pseudomolecules, including the Z sex chromosome. The mitochondrial genome has also been assembled and is 15.59 kilobases in length. Gene annotation of this assembly on Ensembl identified 17,018 protein coding genes.

Keywords

Habrosyne pyritoides, Buff Arches, genome sequence, chromosomal, Lepidoptera



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Species taxonomy

Eukaryota; Metazoa; Eumetazoa; Bilateria; Protostomia; Ecdysozoa; Panarthropoda; Arthropoda; Mandibulata; Pancrustacea; Hexapoda; Insecta; Dicondylia; Pterygota; Neoptera; Endopterygota; Amphimesenoptera; Lepidoptera; Glossata; Neolepidoptera; Heteroneura; Ditrysia; Obtectomera; Drepanoidea; Drepanidae; Thyatirinae; *Habrosyne*; *Habrosyne pyritoides* (Hufnagel, 1766) (NCBI:txid721137).

Background

Habrosyne pyritoides (Buff Arches) is a macro-moth in the family Drepanidae. The species is common throughout England and Wales but is scarce in southern Scotland. The species has declined in abundance by 62% since the 1970s but has increased its range in the UK (Randle *et al.*, 2019). It is found in central Europe and there is also a cluster of records from Japan (GBIF Secretariat, 2023).

H. pyritoides is a moth of open woodland, particularly favouring coppiced areas where its foodplants are common. The larvae feed mainly on bramble, but also use dewberry, and have been found to use raspberry in captivity. The adult moth flies at dusk and in the UK is on the wing from June to August with a partial second brood in autumn in some years. As well as being attracted to light, the moth can be found at nectar or by sugaring (Waring *et al.*, 2017).

The moth shows very little variation, and its appearance is unmistakable. It has as a forewing size of 17–20mm. The wings are slaty grey, with a delicate pattern of orange, brown and white lines. The moth's specific name of *pyritoides* means 'like pyrites' (fool's gold), referring to the distinctive orange markings on the wings (Marren, 2019).

A genome sequence from *H. pyritoides* will be useful for comparative studies across the Lepidoptera. The genome of *H. pyritoides* was sequenced as part of the Darwin Tree of Life Project, a collaborative effort to sequence all named eukaryotic species in the Atlantic Archipelago of Britain and Ireland. Here we present a chromosomally complete genome sequence for *H. pyritoides* based on a male specimen from Wytham Woods, Oxfordshire, UK.

Genome sequence report

The genome was sequenced from one male *Habrosyne pyritoides* (Figure 1) collected from Wytham Woods, Oxfordshire, UK (51.77, -1.33). A total of 52-fold coverage in Pacific Biosciences single-molecule HiFi long reads and 101-fold coverage in 10X Genomics read clouds were generated. Primary assembly contigs were scaffolded with chromosome conformation Hi-C data. Manual assembly curation corrected 3 missing joins or mis-joins and removed 4 haplotypic duplications, reducing the scaffold number by 18.42%.

The final assembly has a total length of 400.6 Mb in 31 sequence scaffolds with a scaffold N50 of 14.1 Mb (Table 1). A summary of the assembly statistics is shown in Figure 2, while the distribution of assembly scaffolds on GC proportion



Figure 1. Photograph of the *Habrosyne pyritoides* (ilHabPyri1) specimen used for genome sequencing.

and coverage is shown in Figure 3. The cumulative assembly plot in Figure 4 shows curves for subsets of scaffolds assigned to different phyla. The whole assembly sequence was assigned to 31 chromosomal-level scaffolds, representing 30 autosomes and the Z sex chromosome. Chromosome-scale scaffolds confirmed by the Hi-C data are named in order of size (Figure 5; Table 2). While not fully phased, the assembly deposited is of one haplotype. Contigs corresponding to the second haplotype have also been deposited. The mitochondrial genome was also assembled and can be found as a contig within the multifasta file of the genome submission.

The estimated Quality Value (QV) of the final assembly is 61.1 with *k*-mer completeness of 100%, and the assembly has a BUSCO v5.3.2 completeness of 98.9% (single = 98.7%, duplicated = 0.3%), using the lepidoptera_odb10 reference set (*n* = 5,286).

Metadata for specimens, spectral estimates, sequencing runs, contaminants and pre-curation assembly statistics can be found at <https://links.tol.sanger.ac.uk/species/721137>.

Genome annotation report

The *Habrosyne pyritoides* genome assembly (GCA_907165245.1) was annotated using the Ensembl rapid annotation pipeline (Table 1; https://rapid.ensembl.org/Habrosyne_pyritoides_GCA_907165245.1/Info/Index). The resulting annotation includes 17,239 transcribed mRNAs from 17,018 protein-coding non-coding genes.

Methods

Sample acquisition and nucleic acid extraction

A male *Habrosyne pyritoides* (specimen ID Ox000531, ToLID ilHabPyri1) was collected from Wytham Woods, Oxfordshire, UK (latitude 51.77, longitude -1.33) on 2020-06-25 using a light trap. The specimen was collected and identified by Douglas Boyes (University of Oxford) and preserved on dry ice.

DNA was extracted at the Tree of Life laboratory, Wellcome Sanger Institute (WSI). The ilHabPyri1 sample was weighed and

Table 1. Genome data for *Habrosyne pyritoides*, ilHabPyri1.1.

Project accession data		
Assembly identifier	ilHabPyri1.1	
Assembly release date	2021-05-17	
Species	<i>Habrosyne pyritoides</i>	
Specimen	ilHabPyri1	
NCBI taxonomy ID	721137	
BioProject	PRJEB44836	
BioSample ID	SAMEA7701298	
Isolate information	ilHabPyri1, male: abdomen (DNA sequencing), head and thorax (Hi-C scaffolding and RNA sequencing)	
Assembly metrics*		Benchmark
Consensus quality (QV)	61.1	≥ 50
<i>k</i> -mer completeness	100%	$\geq 95\%$
BUSCO**	C:98.9%[S:98.7%,D:0.3%], F:0.3%,M:0.8%,n:5,286	$C \geq 95\%$
Percentage of assembly mapped to chromosomes	100%	$\geq 95\%$
Sex chromosomes	Z chromosome	<i>localised homologous pairs</i>
Organelles	Mitochondrial genome assembled	<i>complete single alleles</i>
Raw data accessions		
PacificBiosciences SEQUEL II	ERR6454728	
10X Genomics Illumina	ERR6054722, ERR6054723, ERR6054725, ERR6054724	
Hi-C Illumina	ERR6054726	
PolyA RNA-Seq Illumina	ERR9434975	
Genome assembly		
Assembly accession	GCA_907165245.1	
<i>Accession of alternate haplotype</i>	GCA_907165225.1	
Span (Mb)	400.6	
Number of contigs	38	
Contig N50 length (Mb)	14.1	
Number of scaffolds	31	
Scaffold N50 length (Mb)	14.1	
Longest scaffold (Mb)	23.7	
Genome annotation		
Number of protein-coding genes	17,018	
Number of gene transcripts	17,239	

* Assembly metric benchmarks are adapted from column VGP-2020 of "Table 1: Proposed standards and metrics for defining genome assembly quality" from (Rhie *et al.*, 2021).

** BUSCO scores based on the lepidoptera_odb10 BUSCO set using v5.3.2. C = complete [S = single copy, D = duplicated], F = fragmented, M = missing, n = number of orthologues in comparison. A full set of BUSCO scores is available at https://blobtoolkit.genomehubs.org/view/Habrosyne%20pyritoides/dataset/ilHabPyri1_1.1/busco.

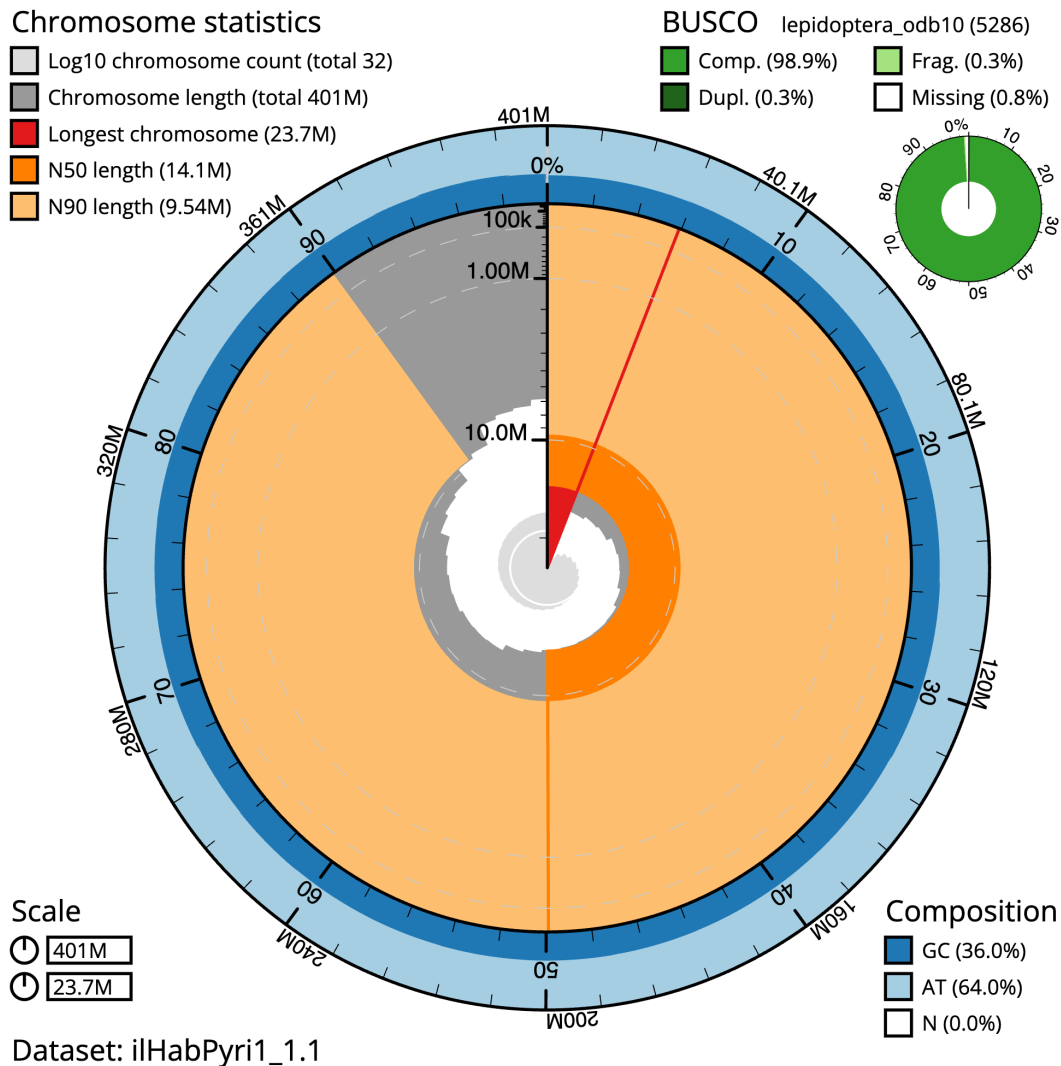


Figure 2. Genome assembly of *Habrosyne pyritoides*, ilHabPyri1.1: metrics. The BlobToolKit Snailplot shows N50 metrics and BUSCO gene completeness. The main plot is divided into 1,000 size-ordered bins around the circumference with each bin representing 0.1% of the 400,568,986 bp assembly. The distribution of scaffold lengths is shown in dark grey with the plot radius scaled to the longest scaffold present in the assembly (23,742,291 bp, shown in red). Orange and pale-orange arcs show the N50 and N90 scaffold lengths (14,121,114 and 9,540,854 bp), respectively. The pale grey spiral shows the cumulative scaffold count on a log scale with white scale lines showing successive orders of magnitude. The blue and pale-blue area around the outside of the plot shows the distribution of GC, AT and N percentages in the same bins as the inner plot. A summary of complete, fragmented, duplicated and missing BUSCO genes in the lepidoptera_odb10 set is shown in the top right. An interactive version of this figure is available at https://blobtoolkit.genomehubs.org/view/Habrosyne%20pyritoides/dataset/ilHabPyri1_1.1/snail.

dissected on dry ice with tissue set aside for Hi-C sequencing. Abdomen tissue was cryogenically disrupted to a fine powder using a Covaris cryoPREP Automated Dry Pulveriser, receiving multiple impacts. High molecular weight (HMW) DNA was extracted using the Qiagen MagAttract HMW DNA extraction kit. Low molecular weight DNA was removed from a 20 ng aliquot of extracted DNA using the 0.8X AMPure XP purification kit prior to 10X Chromium sequencing; a minimum of 50 ng DNA was submitted for 10X sequencing. HMW DNA was sheared into an average fragment size of 12–20 kb in a Megaruptor 3 system with speed setting

30. Sheared DNA was purified by solid-phase reversible immobilisation using AMPure PB beads with a 1.8X ratio of beads to sample to remove the shorter fragments and concentrate the DNA sample. The concentration of the sheared and purified DNA was assessed using a Nanodrop spectrophotometer and Qubit Fluorometer and Qubit dsDNA High Sensitivity Assay kit. Fragment size distribution was evaluated by running the sample on the FemtoPulse system.

RNA was extracted from head and thorax tissue of ilHabPyri1 in the Tree of Life Laboratory at the WSI using

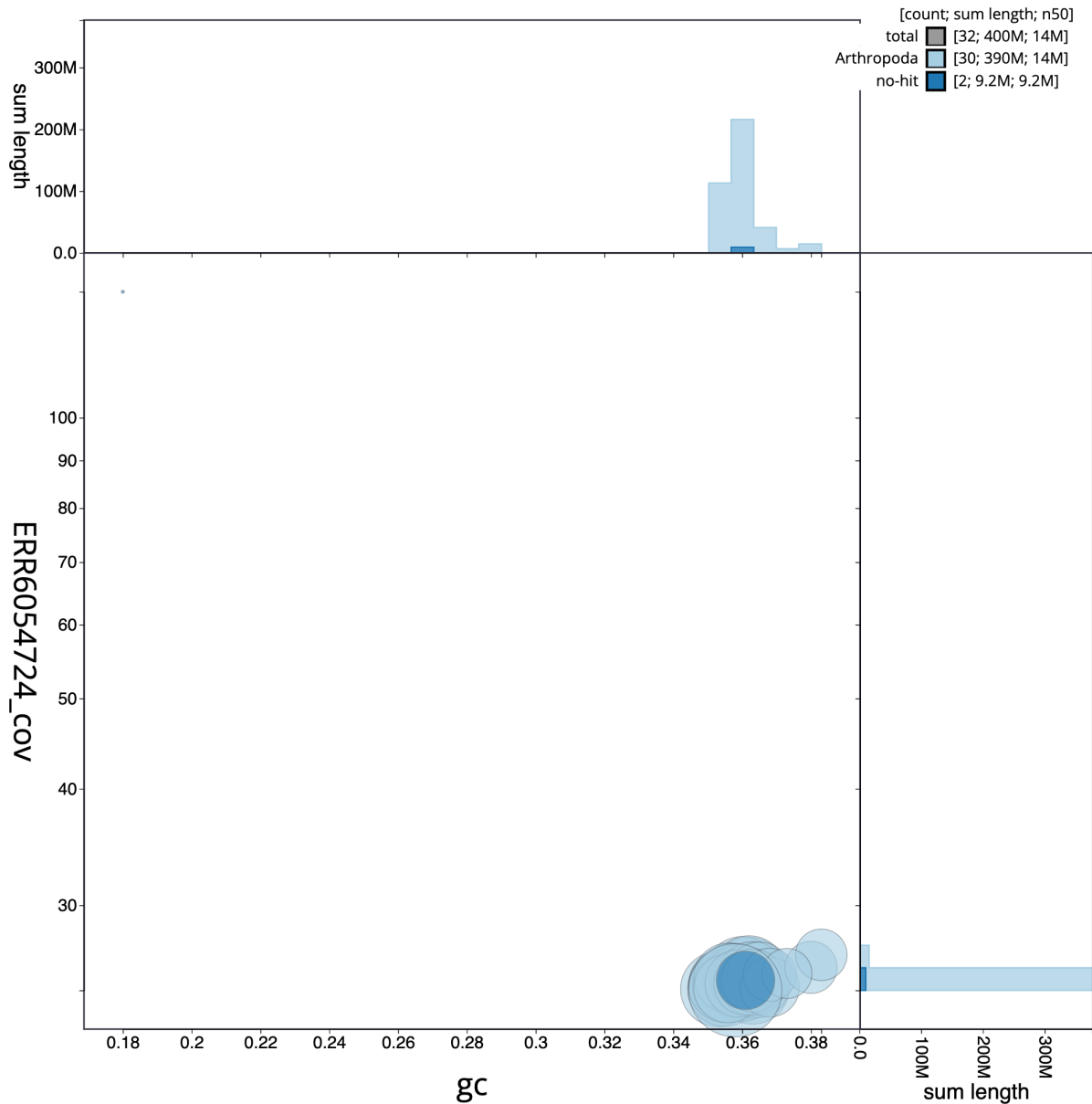


Figure 3. Genome assembly of *Habrosyne pyritoides*, ilHabPyri1.1: BlobToolKit GC-coverage plot. Scaffolds are coloured by phylum. Circles are sized in proportion to scaffold length. Histograms show the distribution of scaffold length sum along each axis. An interactive version of this figure is available at https://blobtoolkit.genomehubs.org/view/Habrosyne%20pyritoides/dataset/ilHabPyri1_1.1/blob.

TRIzol, according to the manufacturer's instructions. RNA was then eluted in 50 μ l RNase-free water and its concentration assessed using a Nanodrop spectrophotometer and Qubit Fluorometer using the Qubit RNA Broad-Range (BR) Assay kit. Analysis of the integrity of the RNA was done using Agilent RNA 6000 Pico Kit and Eukaryotic Total RNA assay.

Sequencing

Pacific Biosciences HiFi circular consensus and 10X Genomics read cloud DNA sequencing libraries were constructed according to the manufacturers' instructions. Poly(A) RNA-Seq libraries were constructed using the NEB Ultra II RNA

Library Prep kit. DNA and RNA sequencing was performed by the Scientific Operations core at the WSI on Pacific Biosciences SEQUEL II (HiFi), Illumina HiSeq 4000 (RNA-Seq) and Illumina NovaSeq 6000 (10X) instruments. Hi-C data were also generated from head and thorax tissue of ilHabPyri1 using the Arima2 kit and sequenced on the Illumina NovaSeq 6000 instrument.

Genome assembly, curation and evaluation

Assembly was carried out with Hifiasm (Cheng *et al.*, 2021) and haplotypic duplication was identified and removed with purge_dups (Guan *et al.*, 2020). One round of polishing was

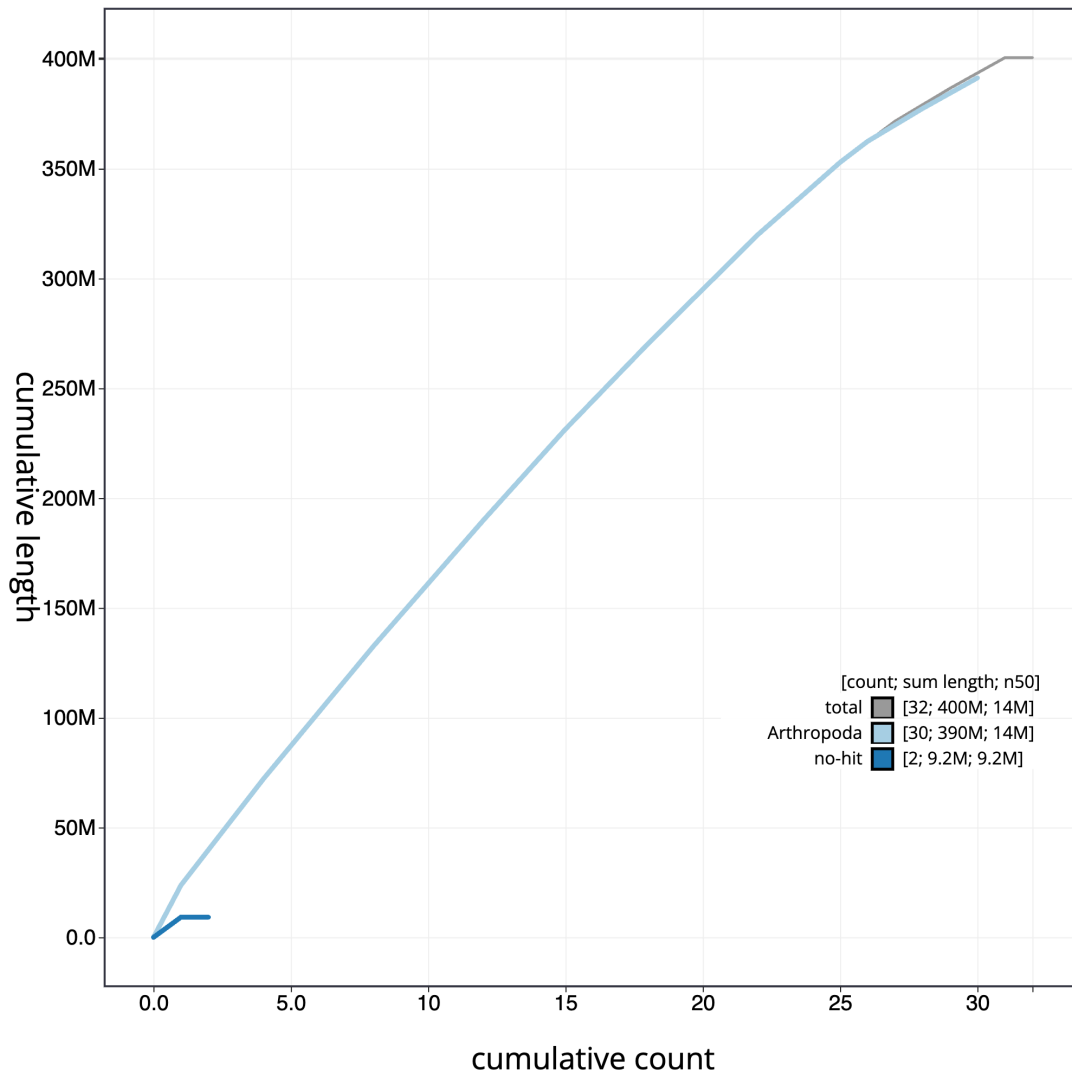


Figure 4. Genome assembly of *Habrosyne pyritoides*, ilHabPyri1.1: BlobToolKit cumulative sequence plot. The grey line shows cumulative length for all scaffolds. Coloured lines show cumulative lengths of scaffolds assigned to each phylum using the buscogenes taxrule. An interactive version of this figure is available at https://blobtoolkit.genomehubs.org/view/Habrosyne%20pyritoides/dataset/ilHabPyri1_1.1/cumulative.

performed by aligning 10X Genomics read data to the assembly with Long Ranger ALIGN, calling variants with FreeBayes (Garrison & Marth, 2012). The assembly was then scaffolded with Hi-C data (Rao *et al.*, 2014) using SALSA2 (Ghurye *et al.*, 2019). The assembly was checked for contamination and corrected using the gEVAL system (Chow *et al.*, 2016) as described previously (Howe *et al.*, 2021). Manual curation was performed using gEVAL, HiGlass (Kerpedjiev *et al.*, 2018) and Pretext (Harry, 2022). The mitochondrial genome was assembled using MitoHiFi (Uliano-Silva *et al.*, 2023), which runs MitoFinder (Allio *et al.*, 2020) or MITOS (Bernt *et al.*, 2013) and uses these annotations to select the final mitochondrial contig and to ensure the general quality of the sequence.

A Hi-C map for the final assembly was produced using bwa-mem2 (Vasimuddin *et al.*, 2019) in the Cooler file format (Abdennur & Mirny, 2020). To assess the assembly metrics, the k -mer completeness and QV consensus quality values were calculated in Merqury (Rhie *et al.*, 2020). This work was done using Nextflow (Di Tommaso *et al.*, 2017) DSL2 pipelines “sanger-tol/readmapping” (Surana *et al.*, 2023a) and “sanger-tol/genomenote” (Surana *et al.*, 2023b). The genome was analysed within the BlobToolKit environment (Challis *et al.*, 2020) and BUSCO scores (Manni *et al.*, 2021; Simão *et al.*, 2015) were calculated.

Table 3 contains a list of relevant software tool versions and sources.

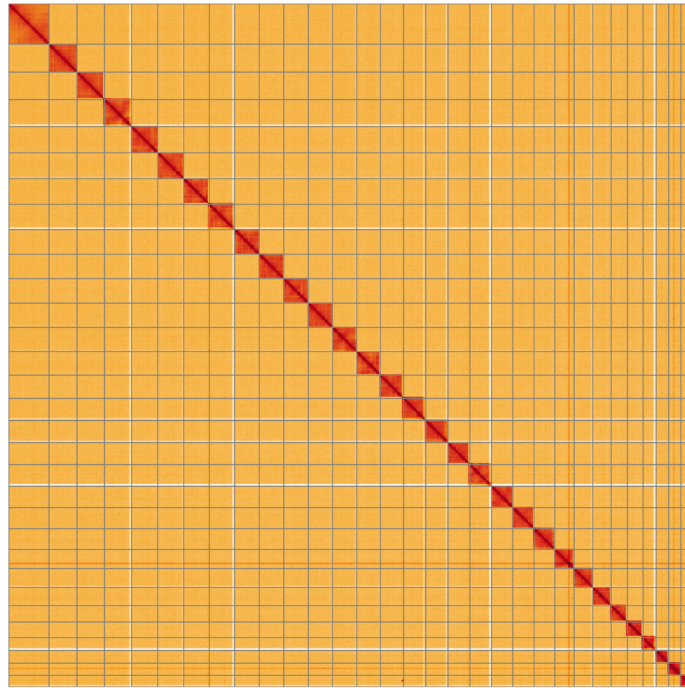


Figure 5. Genome assembly of *Habrosyne pyritoides*, ilHabPyri1.1: Hi-C contact map of the ilHabPyri1.1 assembly, visualised using HiGlass. Chromosomes are shown in order of size from left to right and top to bottom. An interactive version of this figure may be viewed at <https://genome-note-higlass.tol.sanger.ac.uk/l/?d=B3zYGzGyRUqjnevo640eHg>.

Table 2. Chromosomal pseudomolecules in the genome assembly of *Habrosyne pyritoides*, ilHabPyri1.

INSDC accession	Chromosome	Length (Mb)	GC%
OU015586.1	1	16.4	36.2
OU015587.1	2	16.07	35.9
OU015588.1	3	15.88	36
OU015589.1	4	15.32	35.3
OU015590.1	5	15.17	35.5
OU015591.1	6	15.11	36.2
OU015592.1	7	14.76	36.3
OU015593.1	8	14.43	35.5
OU015594.1	9	14.36	35.6
OU015595.1	10	14.31	35.5
OU015596.1	11	14.24	35.7
OU015597.1	12	14.12	36
OU015598.1	13	13.89	35.9
OU015599.1	14	13.62	35.6
OU015600.1	15	12.99	35.6

INSDC accession	Chromosome	Length (Mb)	GC%
OU015601.1	16	12.93	36.1
OU015602.1	17	12.88	35.6
OU015603.1	18	12.62	36.4
OU015604.1	19	12.53	36.3
OU015605.1	20	12.37	35.9
OU015606.1	21	12.18	36.3
OU015607.1	22	11.29	36.5
OU015608.1	23	10.98	36.1
OU015609.1	24	10.74	36.3
OU015610.1	25	9.54	36.8
OU015611.1	26	9.2	36.1
OU015612.1	27	7.6	36.8
OU015613.1	28	7.35	38
OU015614.1	29	7.19	38.3
OU015615.1	30	6.77	37.3
OU015585.1	Z	23.74	35.8
OU015616.1	MT	0.02	18.2

Table 3. Software tools: versions and sources.

Software tool	Version	Source
BlobToolKit	4.1.7	https://github.com/blobtoolkit/blobtoolkit
BUSCO	5.3.2	https://gitlab.com/ezlab/busco
FreeBayes	1.3.1-17-gaa2ace8	https://github.com/freebayes/freebayes
gEVAL	N/A	https://geval.org.uk/
Hifiasm	0.14-r312	https://github.com/chhylp123/hifiasm
HiGlass	1.11.6	https://github.com/higlass/higlass
Long Ranger ALIGN	2.2.2	https://support.10xgenomics.com/genome-exome/software/pipelines/latest/advanced/other-pipelines
Merqury	MerquryFK	https://github.com/thegenemyers/MERQURY.FK
MitoHiFi	v2.11.3	https://github.com/marcelauliano/MitoHiFi
PretextView	0.2	https://github.com/wtsi-hpag/PretextView
purge_dups	1.2.3	https://github.com/dfguan/purge_dups
SALSA	2.2	https://github.com/salsa-rs/salsa
sanger-tol/genomenote	v1.0	https://github.com/sanger-tol/genomenote
sanger-tol/readmapping	1.1.0	https://github.com/sanger-tol/readmapping/tree/1.1.0

Genome annotation

The BRAKER2 pipeline (Brůna *et al.*, 2021) was used in the default protein mode to generate annotation for the *Habrosyne pyritoides* assembly (GCA_907165245.1) in Ensembl Rapid Release.

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Data availability

European Nucleotide Archive: *Habrosyne pyritoides* (buff arches). Accession number PRJEB44836; <https://identifiers.org/ena.embl/PRJEB44836>. (Wellcome Sanger Institute, 2021) The genome sequence is released openly for reuse. The

Habrosyne pyritoides genome sequencing initiative is part of the Darwin Tree of Life (DTOL) project. All raw sequence data and the assembly have been deposited in INSDC databases. Raw data and assembly accession identifiers are reported in [Table 1](#).

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