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The genome sequence of the Yellow Shell moth, *Camptogramma bilineatum* (Linnaeus, 1758) [version 1; peer review: awaiting peer review]

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Abstract

We present a genome assembly from an individual male *Camptogramma bilineatum* (the Yellow Shell; Arthropoda; Insecta; Lepidoptera; Geometridae). The genome sequence is 442.7 megabases in span. Most of the assembly is scaffolded into 30 chromosomal pseudomolecules, including the Z sex chromosome. The mitochondrial genome has also been assembled and is 17.04 kilobases in length.

Keywords

Camptogramma bilineatum, Yellow Shell moth, genome sequence, chromosomal, Lepidoptera



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Species taxonomy

Eukaryota; Opisthokonta; Metazoa; Eumetazoa; Bilateria; Protostomia; Ecdysozoa; Panarthropoda; Arthropoda; Mandibulata; Pancrustacea; Hexapoda; Insecta; Dicondylia; Pterygota; Neoptera; Endopterygota; Amphiesmenoptera; Lepidoptera; Glossata; Neolepidoptera; Heteroneura; Ditrysia; Obtectomera; Geometroidea; Geometridae; Larentiinae; *Camptogramma*; *Camptogramma bilineatum* (Linnaeus, 1758) (NCBI:txid934908).

Background

The Yellow Shell *Camptogramma bilineata* is a moth in the family Geometridae. It is distinctive, having yellow or yellowish-orange forewings and hindwings with a large number of wavy brown crosslines. It is found in a variety of colour morphotypes. The darker forms, often with brownish bands, are commoner in the British Isles away from the south-east of England (Skinner & Wilson, 2009; Waring *et al.*, 2017). The forms may also vary in size, for example, the one found on the Shetland Isles, *C. bilineata atlantica*, is smaller and darker, than those found further south (Skinner & Wilson, 2009).

Camptogramma bilineata has one brood a year with adults on the wing from June to August in the United Kingdom and Ireland. It can be found in a large range of habitats (Waring *et al.*, 2017), but unlike many of the other moth species in a study in Finland, *C. bilineata* prefers older continuously grazed pastures to those that have been abandoned (Pöyry *et al.*, 2005). This species overwinters as a larva, with larvae found from July until May. They feed on a range of plants including cleavers *Galium aparine* and other bedstraws *Galium* spp., wormwoods *Artemisia* spp., docks and sorrels *Rumex* spp., dandelions *Taraxacum* spp. and common chickweed *Stellaria media* (Skinner & Wilson, 2009; Waring *et al.*, 2017).

We present a chromosomal-level complete genome sequence for a male *Camptogramma bilineata*, based on one specimen collected in Wytham Woods, Oxfordshire, as part of the Darwin Tree of Life Project.

Genome sequence report

The genome was sequenced from a male *Camptogramma bilineatum* (Figure 1) collected from Wytham Woods, Oxfordshire, UK (51.77, -1.34). A total of 33-fold coverage in Pacific Biosciences single-molecule HiFi long reads was generated. Primary assembly contigs were scaffolded with chromosome conformation Hi-C data. Manual assembly curation removed one haplotypic duplication.

The final assembly has a total length of 442.7 Mb in 37 sequence scaffolds with a scaffold N50 of 16.8 Mb (Table 1). The snail plot in Figure 2 provides a summary of the assembly statistics, while the distribution of assembly scaffolds on GC proportion and coverage is shown in Figure 3. The cumulative assembly plot in Figure 4 shows curves for subsets of scaffolds assigned to different phyla. Most (99.91%) of the assembly sequence was assigned to 30 chromosomal-level scaffolds, representing 29 autosomes and the Z sex chromosome.



Figure 1. Photograph of the *Camptogramma bilineatum* (iCamBiln1) specimen used for genome sequencing.

Chromosome-scale scaffolds confirmed by the Hi-C data are named in order of size (Figure 5; Table 2). Chromosome Z was assigned by synteny to *Horisme vitalbata* (GCA_951804965.1). 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 66.4 with k -mer completeness of 100.0%, and the assembly has a BUSCO v5.3.2 completeness of 98.4% (single = 98.2%, duplicated = 0.3%), using the lepidoptera_odb10 reference set ($n = 5,286$).

Metadata for specimens, barcode results, spectra estimates, sequencing runs, contaminants and pre-curation assembly statistics are given at <https://links.tol.sanger.ac.uk/species/934908>.

Methods

Sample acquisition and nucleic acid extraction

A male *Camptogramma bilineatum* (specimen ID Ox000667, ToLID iCamBiln1) was collected from Wytham Woods, Oxfordshire (biological vice-county Berkshire), UK (latitude 51.77, longitude -1.34) on 2020-07-20 using a light trap. The specimen was collected and identified by Douglas Boyes (University of Oxford) and preserved on dry ice.

The specimen used for Hi-C sequencing (specimen ID Ox003075, ToLID iCamBiln2) was collected from the same location on 2022-07-22, also using a light trap. The specimen was collected by Liam Crowley (University of Oxford) and Finley Hutchinson (University of Exeter) and identified by Finley Hutchinson and preserved on dry ice.

The workflow for high molecular weight (HMW) DNA extraction at the Wellcome Sanger Institute (WSI) Tree of Life Core

Table 1. Genome data for *Camptogramma bilineatum*, ilCamBiln1.1.

Project accession data		
Assembly identifier	ilCamBiln1.1	
Species	<i>Camptogramma bilineatum</i>	
Specimen	ilCamBiln1	
NCBI taxonomy ID	934908	
BioProject	PRJEB55948	
BioSample ID	SAMEA7701528	
Isolate information	ilCamBiln1, male: whole organism (DNA sequencing) ilCamBiln2: abdomen (Hi-C sequencing)	
Assembly metrics*		Benchmark
Consensus quality (QV)	66.4	≥ 50
<i>k</i> -mer completeness	100.0%	≥ 95%
BUSCO**	C:98.4%[S:98.2%,D:0.3%], F:0.3%,M:1.3%,n:5,286	C ≥ 95%
Percentage of assembly mapped to chromosomes	99.91%	≥ 95%
Sex chromosomes	Z	localised homologous pairs
Organelles	Mitochondrial genome: 17.04 kb	complete single alleles
Raw data accessions		
PacificBiosciences Sequel Iie	ERR10224899	
Hi-C Illumina	ERR11679368	
Genome assembly		
Assembly accession	GCA_958496255.1	
Accession of alternate haplotype	GCA_958496295.1	
Span (Mb)	442.7	
Number of contigs	47	
Contig N50 length (Mb)	16.3	
Number of scaffolds	37	
Scaffold N50 length (Mb)	16.8	
Longest scaffold (Mb)	22.43	

* 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 version 5.3.2. 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/ilCamBiln1_1/dataset/ilCamBiln1_1/busco.

Laboratory includes a sequence of core procedures: sample preparation; sample homogenisation, DNA extraction, fragmentation, and clean-up. In sample preparation, the ilCamBiln1 sample was weighed and dissected on dry ice ([Jay et al., 2023](#)). Tissue from the whole organism was homogenised using a PowerMasher II tissue disruptor ([Denton et al., 2023a](#)).

HMW DNA was extracted using the Automated MagAttract v1 protocol ([Sheerin et al., 2023](#)). DNA was sheared into an average fragment size of 12–20 kb in a Megaruptor 3 system with speed setting 30 ([Todorovic et al., 2023](#)). Sheared DNA was purified by solid-phase reversible immobilisation ([Strickland et al., 2023](#)): in brief, the method employs a 1.8X

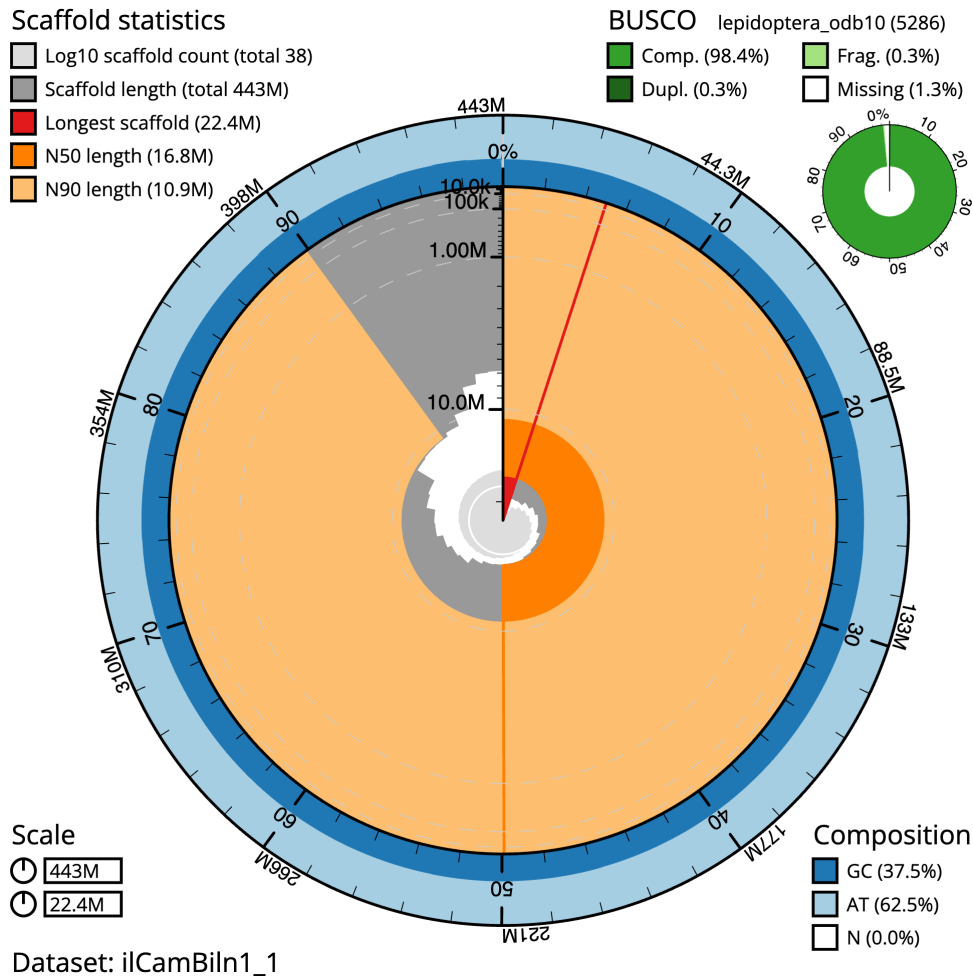


Figure 2. Genome assembly of *Camptogramma bilineatum*, ilCamBiln1.1: metrics. The BlobToolKit snail plot shows N50 metrics and BUSCO gene completeness. The main plot is divided into 1,000 size-ordered bins around the circumference with each bin representing 0.1% of the 442,695,304 bp assembly. The distribution of scaffold lengths is shown in dark grey with the plot radius scaled to the longest scaffold present in the assembly (22,426,387 bp, shown in red). Orange and pale-orange arcs show the N50 and N90 scaffold lengths (16,753,518 and 10,868,945 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/ilCamBiln1_1/dataset/ilCamBiln1_1/snail.

ratio of AMPure PB beads to sample to eliminate shorter fragments and concentrate the DNA. 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.

Protocols developed by the WSI Tree of Life laboratory are publicly available on protocols.io (Denton *et al.*, 2023b).

Sequencing

Pacific Biosciences HiFi circular consensus 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 a Pacific Biosciences Sequel IIe instrument. Hi-C data were also generated from abdomen tissue of ilCamBiln2 using the Arima2 kit and sequenced on the Illumina NovaSeq 6000 instrument.

Genome assembly and curation

Assembly was carried out with Hifiasm (Cheng *et al.*, 2021) and haplotypic duplication was identified and removed with purge_dups (Guan *et al.*, 2020). The assembly was then scaffolded with Hi-C data (Rao *et al.*, 2014) using YaHS

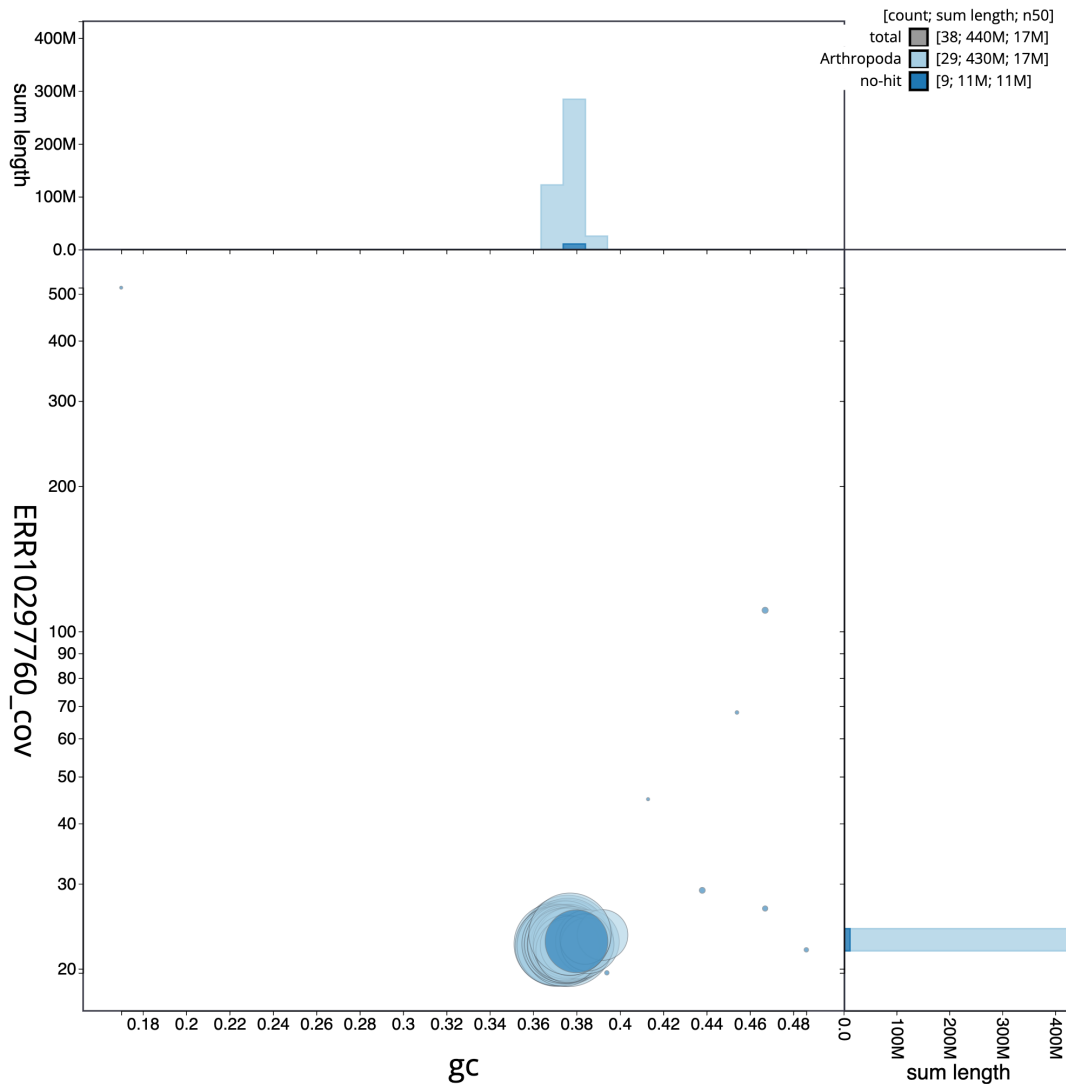


Figure 3. Genome assembly of *Camptogramma bilineatum*, iLCamBiln1.1: BlobToolKit GC-coverage plot. Sequences are coloured by phylum. Circles are sized in proportion to sequence length. Histograms show the distribution of sequence length sum along each axis. An interactive version of this figure is available at https://blobtoolkit.genomehubs.org/view/iLCamBiln1_1/dataset/iLCamBiln1_1/blob.

(Zhou *et al.*, 2023). The assembly was checked for contamination and corrected as described previously (Howe *et al.*, 2021). Manual curation was performed using HiGlass (Kerpedjiev *et al.*, 2018) and PretextView (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.

Evaluation of the final assembly

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.

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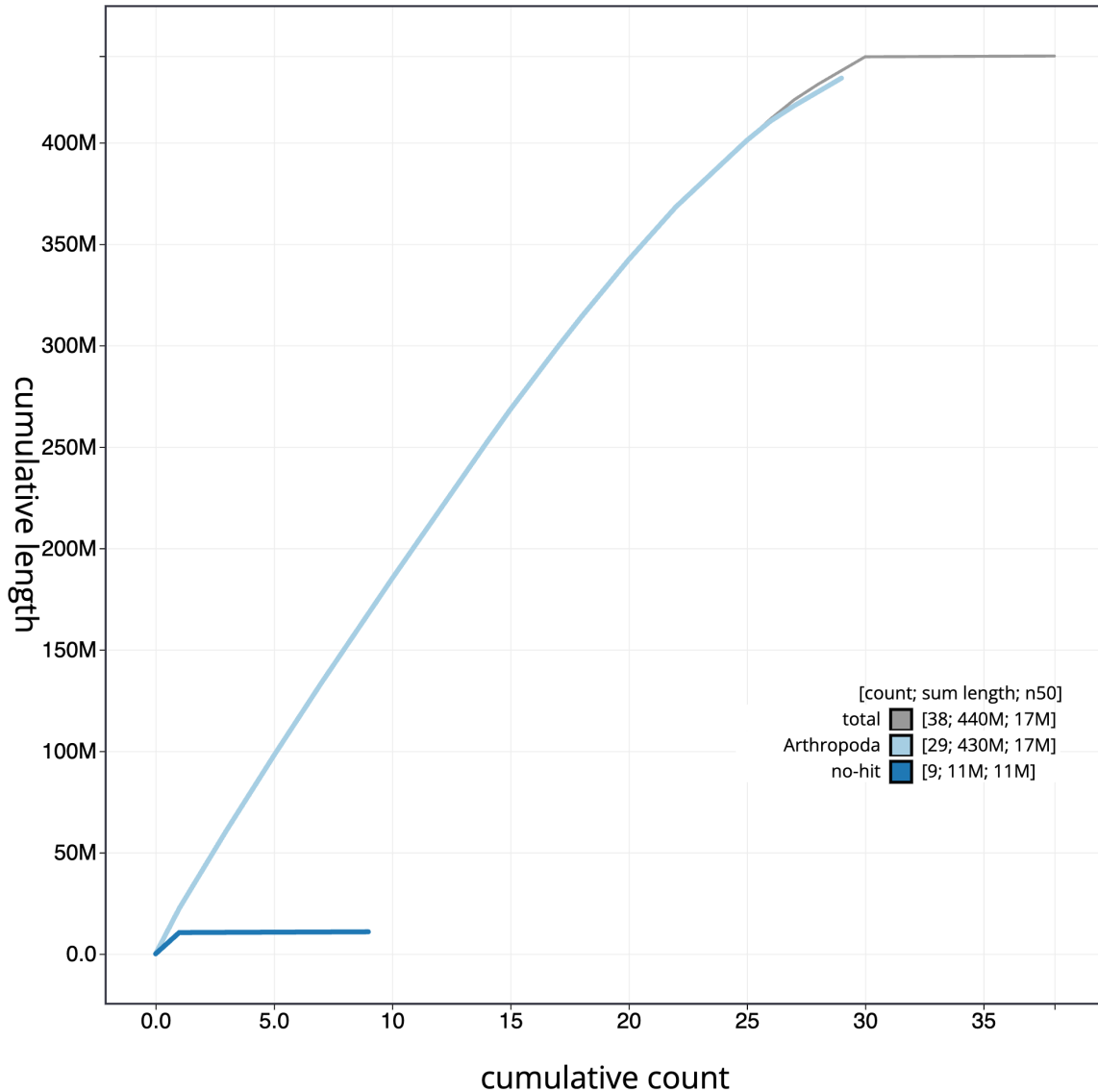


Figure 4. Genome assembly of *Camptogramma bilineatum*, ilCamBiln1.1: BlobToolKit cumulative sequence plot. The grey line shows cumulative length for all sequences. Coloured lines show cumulative lengths of sequences assigned to each phylum using the buscodegenes taxrule. An interactive version of this figure is available at https://blobtoolkit.genomehubs.org/view/ilCamBiln1_1/dataset/ilCamBiln1_1/cumulative.

‘Darwin Tree of Life Project Sampling Code of Practice’, which can be found in full on the Darwin Tree of Life website [here](#). By agreeing with and signing up to the Sampling Code of Practice, the Darwin Tree of Life Partner agrees they will meet the legal and ethical requirements and standards set out within this document in respect of all samples acquired for, and supplied to, the Darwin Tree of Life Project.

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legal and/or ethical implications of receipt and use of the materials as part of the research project, and to ensure that in doing so we align with best practice wherever possible. The overarching areas of consideration are:

- Ethical review of provenance and sourcing of the material
- Legality of collection, transfer and use (national and international)

Each transfer of samples is further undertaken according to a Research Collaboration Agreement or Material Transfer Agreement entered into by the Darwin Tree of Life Partner, Genome Research Limited (operating as the Wellcome Sanger Institute),

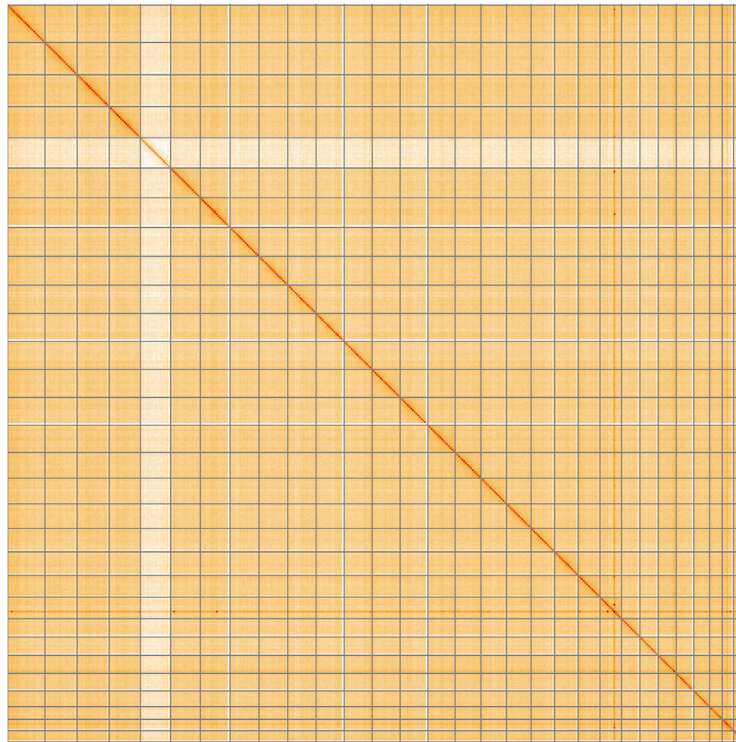


Figure 5. Genome assembly of *Camptogramma bilineatum*, ilCamBiln1.1: Hi-C contact map of the ilCamBiln1.1 assembly, visualised using HiGlass. Chromosomes are shown in order of size from left to right and top to bottom. An interactive version of this figure may be viewed at <https://genome-note-higlass.tol.sanger.ac.uk/l/?d=Sulp9mTWS2SK0paaX5ODgw>.

Table 2. Chromosomal pseudomolecules in the genome assembly of *Camptogramma bilineatum*, ilCamBiln1.

INSDC accession	Chromosome	Length (Mb)	GC%
OY292450.1	1	22.43	37.5
OY292451.1	2	19.3	37.5
OY292452.1	3	19.2	37.5
OY292453.1	4	18.66	37.5
OY292455.1	5	17.86	37.0
OY292456.1	6	17.82	37.5
OY292457.1	7	17.37	37.0
OY292458.1	8	17.22	37.0
OY292459.1	9	17.03	37.0
OY292460.1	10	16.85	37.0
OY292461.1	11	16.84	37.5
OY292462.1	12	16.75	37.5
OY292463.1	13	16.66	37.5
OY292464.1	14	16.3	37.5
OY292465.1	15	15.52	37.5

INSDC accession	Chromosome	Length (Mb)	GC%
OY292466.1	16	15.28	37.5
OY292467.1	17	14.8	37.5
OY292468.1	18	14.14	37.5
OY292469.1	19	14.06	38.0
OY292470.1	20	13.14	38.0
OY292471.1	21	12.96	37.5
OY292472.1	22	11.01	37.5
OY292473.1	23	10.91	37.5
OY292474.1	24	10.87	38.5
OY292475.1	25	10.52	38.0
OY292476.1	26	9.48	37.5
OY292477.1	27	7.58	38.5
OY292478.1	28	6.84	39.0
OY292479.1	29	6.78	38.5
OY292454.1	Z	18.17	37.5
OY292480.1	MT	0.02	17.5

Table 3. Software tools: versions and sources.

Software tool	Version	Source
BlobToolKit	4.2.1	https://github.com/blobtoolkit/blobtoolkit
BUSCO	5.3.2	https://gitlab.com/ezlab/busco
Hifiasm	0.19.5-r587	https://github.com/chhylp123/hifiasm
HiGlass	1.11.6	https://github.com/higlass/higlass
Mercury	MercuryFK	https://github.com/thegenemyers/MERQURY.FK
MitoHiFi	3	https://github.com/marcelauliano/MitoHiFi
PretextView	0.2	https://github.com/wtsi-hpag/PretextView
purge_dups	1.2.5	https://github.com/dfguan/purge_dups
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
YaHS	1.2a.2	https://github.com/c-zhou/yahs

and in some circumstances other Darwin Tree of Life collaborators.

Data availability

European Nucleotide Archive: *Camptogramma bilineatum* (yellow shell). Accession number PRJEB55948; <https://identifiers.org/ena.embl/PRJEB55948> (Wellcome Sanger Institute, 2023). The genome sequence is released openly for reuse. The *Camptogramma bilineatum* 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. The genome will be annotated using available RNA-Seq data and presented through the Ensembl pipeline at the European Bioinformatics Institute. Raw data and assembly accession identifiers are reported in Table 1.

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