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The genome sequence of the bramble shoot moth, *Notocelia uddmanniana* (Linnaeus, 1758) [version 1; peer review: 2 approved, 1 approved with reservations]

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Abstract

We present a genome assembly from an individual male *Notocelia uddmanniana* (the bramble shoot moth; Arthropoda; Insecta; Lepidoptera; Tortricidae). The genome sequence is 794 megabases in span. The majority of the assembly, 99.96%, is scaffolded into 28 chromosomal pseudomolecules, with the Z sex chromosome assembled.

Keywords




Notocelia uddmanniana, bramble shoot moth, genome sequence, chromosomal, Lepidoptera






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Species taxonomy

Eukaryota; Metazoa; Ecdysozoa; Arthropoda; Hexapoda; Insecta; Pterygota; Neoptera; Endopterygota; Lepidoptera; Glossata; Ditrysia; Tortricoidea; Tortricidae; Olethreutinae; Eucosmini; Notocelia; *Notocelia uddmanniana* (Linnaeus, 1758) (NCBI:txid1594315).

Background

Notocelia uddmanniana (bramble shoot moth) is widely distributed across Western Europe and North Africa, with records further east from Kazakhstan to China. The larvae feed on brambles (*Rubus* sp.), occurring commonly where these species exist, and occasionally cause damage to cultivated varieties (Gordon *et al.*, 1997). Eggs are laid singly on the foodplant, where larvae feed within a folded leaf and later within the tips of growing shoots; larvae overwinter in a silken web on the foodplant stem before recommencing feeding in spring (Dicker, 1939). *Notocelia uddmanniana* also occupies woodland, and is distributed widely throughout the UK, occurring more commonly in the south. The genome of *N. uddmanniana* was sequenced as part of the Darwin Tree of Life Project, a collaborative effort to sequence all of the named eukaryotic species in the Atlantic Archipelago of Britain and Ireland. Here we present a chromosomally complete genome sequence for *N. uddmanniana*, based on one male specimen from Wytham Woods, Oxfordshire, UK.

Genome sequence report

The genome was sequenced from a single male *N. uddmanniana* (Figure 1) collected from Wytham Woods, Oxfordshire, UK (latitude 51.772, longitude -1.338). A total of 18-fold coverage in Pacific Biosciences single-molecule long reads (N50 16 kb) and 49-fold coverage in 10X Genomics read clouds were generated. Primary assembly contigs were scaffolded with chromosome conformation Hi-C data. Manual assembly curation corrected 165 missing/misjoins and removed 72 haplotypic duplications, reducing the assembly length by 2.16% and the scaffold number by 64.71%, and increasing the scaffold N50 by 9.53%.



Figure 1. Image of the ilNotUddm1 specimen taken during preservation and processing.

The final assembly has a total length of 794 Mb in 49 sequence scaffolds with a scaffold N50 of 29 Mb (Table 1). Of the assembly sequence, 99.96% was assigned to 28 chromosomal-level scaffolds, representing 27 autosomes (numbered by sequence length), and the Z sex chromosome (Figure 2–Figure 5; Table 2). The assembly has a BUSCO (Simão *et al.*, 2015) completeness of 98.9% using the lepidoptera_odb10 reference set. While not fully phased, the assembly deposited is of one haplotype. Contigs corresponding to the second haplotype have also been deposited.

Methods

Sample acquisition, DNA extraction and sequencing

A single male *M. uddmanniana* (ilNotUddm1) was collected from Wytham Woods, Oxfordshire, UK (latitude 51.772, longitude -1.338) by Douglas Boyes, UKCEH, using a light

Table 1. Genome data for *Notocelia uddmanniana*, ilNotUddm1.1.

Project accession data	
Assembly identifier	ilNotUddm1
Species	<i>Notocelia uddmanniana</i>
Specimen	ilNotUddm1
NCBI taxonomy ID	NCBI:txid1594315
BioProject	PRJEB42137
BioSample ID	SAMEA7519916
Isolate information	Male, whole organism
Raw data accessions	
PacificBiosciences SEQUEL II	ERR6590584
10X Genomics Illumina	ERR6002710-ERR6002713
Hi-C Illumina	ERR6002707-ERR6002709
Genome assembly	
Assembly accession	GCA_905163555.1
Accession of alternate haplotype	GCA_905163575.1
Span (Mb)	794
Number of contigs	238
Contig N50 length (Mb)	7
Number of scaffolds	49
Scaffold N50 length (Mb)	29
Longest scaffold (Mb)	51
BUSCO* genome score	C:98.3%[S:97.6%,D:0.7%], F:0.5%,M:1.2%,n:5286

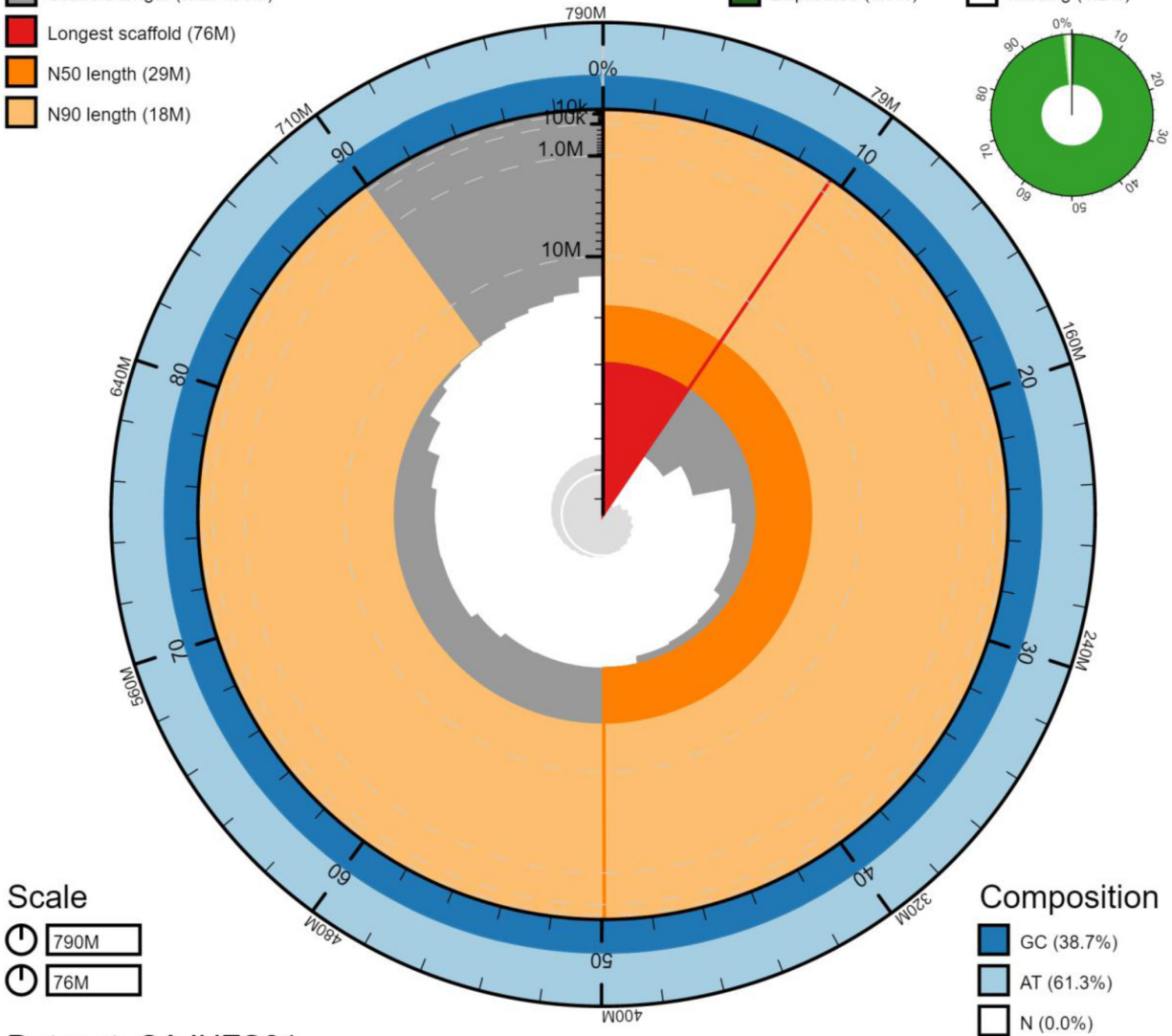
*BUSCO scores based on the lepidoptera_odb10 BUSCO set using v5.1.2. C= complete [S= single copy, D=duplicated], F=fragmented, M=missing, n=number of orthologues in comparison. A full set of BUSCO scores is available at <https://blobtoolkit.genomehubs.org/view/ilNotUddm1.1/dataset/CAJHZS01/busco>.

Scaffold statistics

- Log10 scaffold count (total 49)
- Scaffold length (total 790M)
- Longest scaffold (76M)
- N50 length (29M)
- N90 length (18M)

BUSCO lepidoptera_odb10 (5286)

- Complete (98.3%)
- Fragmented (0.5%)
- Duplicated (0.7%)
- Missing (1.2%)



Dataset: CAJHZS01

Figure 2. Genome assembly of *Notocelia uddmanniana*, ilNotUddm1.1: 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 794,123,667 bp assembly. The distribution of chromosome lengths is shown in dark grey with the plot radius scaled to the longest chromosome present in the assembly (75,621,453 bp, shown in red). Orange and pale-orange arcs show the N50 and N90 chromosome lengths (28,990,537 and 17,668,102 bp), respectively. The pale grey spiral shows the cumulative chromosome 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/ilNotUddm1.1/dataset/CAJHZS01/snail>.

trap. The specimen was identified by the same individual and preserved on dry ice.

DNA was extracted from whole organism tissue at the Wellcome Sanger Institute (WSI) Scientific Operations core from

the whole organism using the Qiagen MagAttract HMW DNA kit, according to the manufacturer's instructions. Pacific Biosciences HiFi circular consensus and 10X Genomics read cloud sequencing libraries were constructed according to the manufacturers' instructions. Sequencing was performed by the

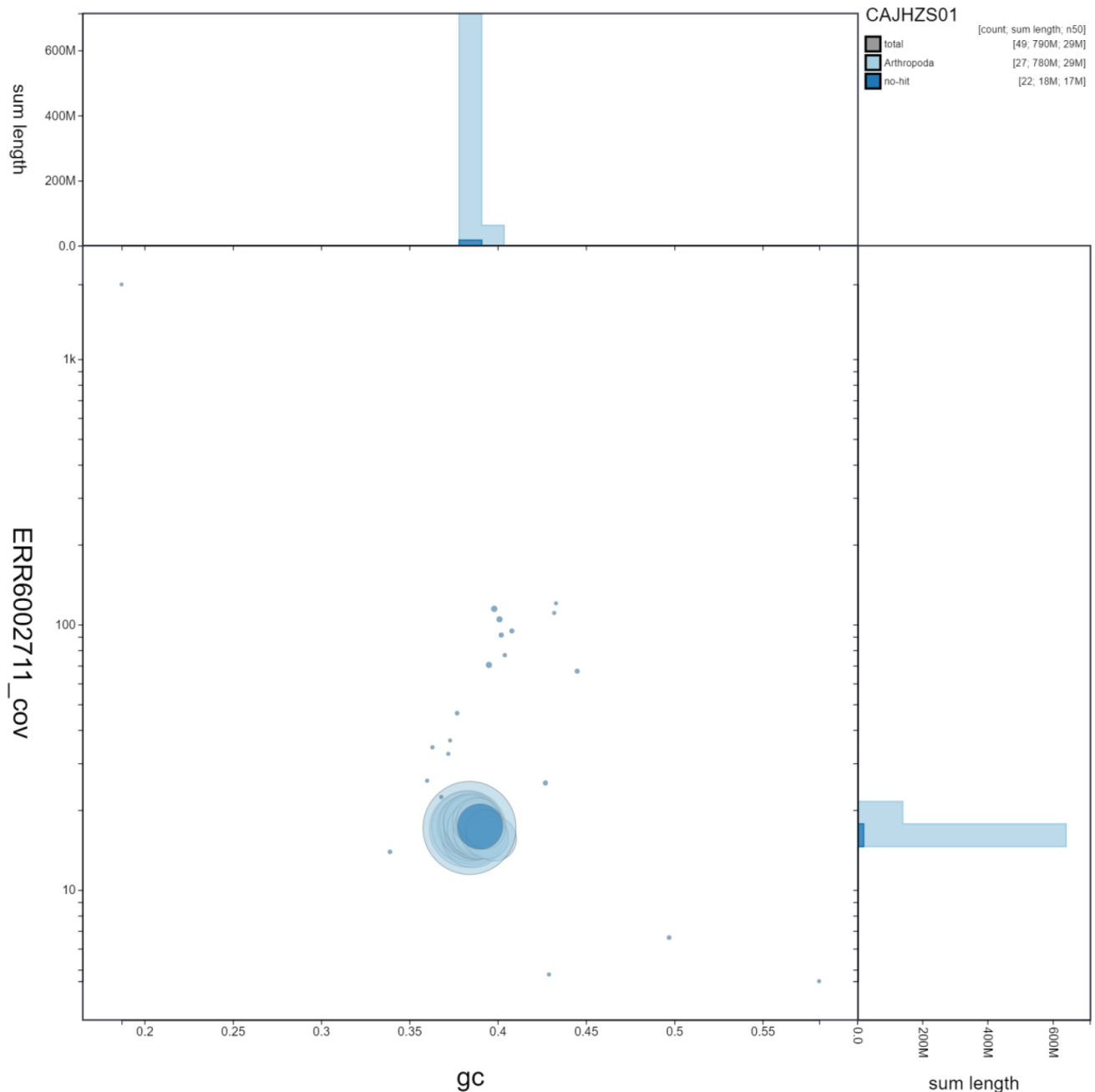


Figure 3. Genome assembly of *Notocelia uddmanniana*, ilNotUddm1.1: GC coverage. BlobToolKit GC-coverage plot. Scaffolds are coloured by phylum. Circles are sized in proportion to scaffold length. Histograms show the distribution of scaffold length sum along each axis. An interactive version of this figure is available at <https://blobtoolkit.genomehubs.org/view/ilNotUddm1.1/dataset/CAJHZS01/blob>.

Scientific Operations core at the Wellcome Sanger Institute on Pacific Biosciences SEQUEL II and Illumina HiSeq X instruments. Hi-C data were generated from remaining whole organism tissue using the Arima v1.0 kit and sequenced on HiSeq X.

Genome assembly

Assembly was carried out with Hifiasm (Cheng *et al.*, 2021); haplotypic duplication was identified and removed with

purge_dups (Guan *et al.*, 2020), without the -e flag. One round of polishing was performed by aligning 10X Genomics read data to the assembly with longranger 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

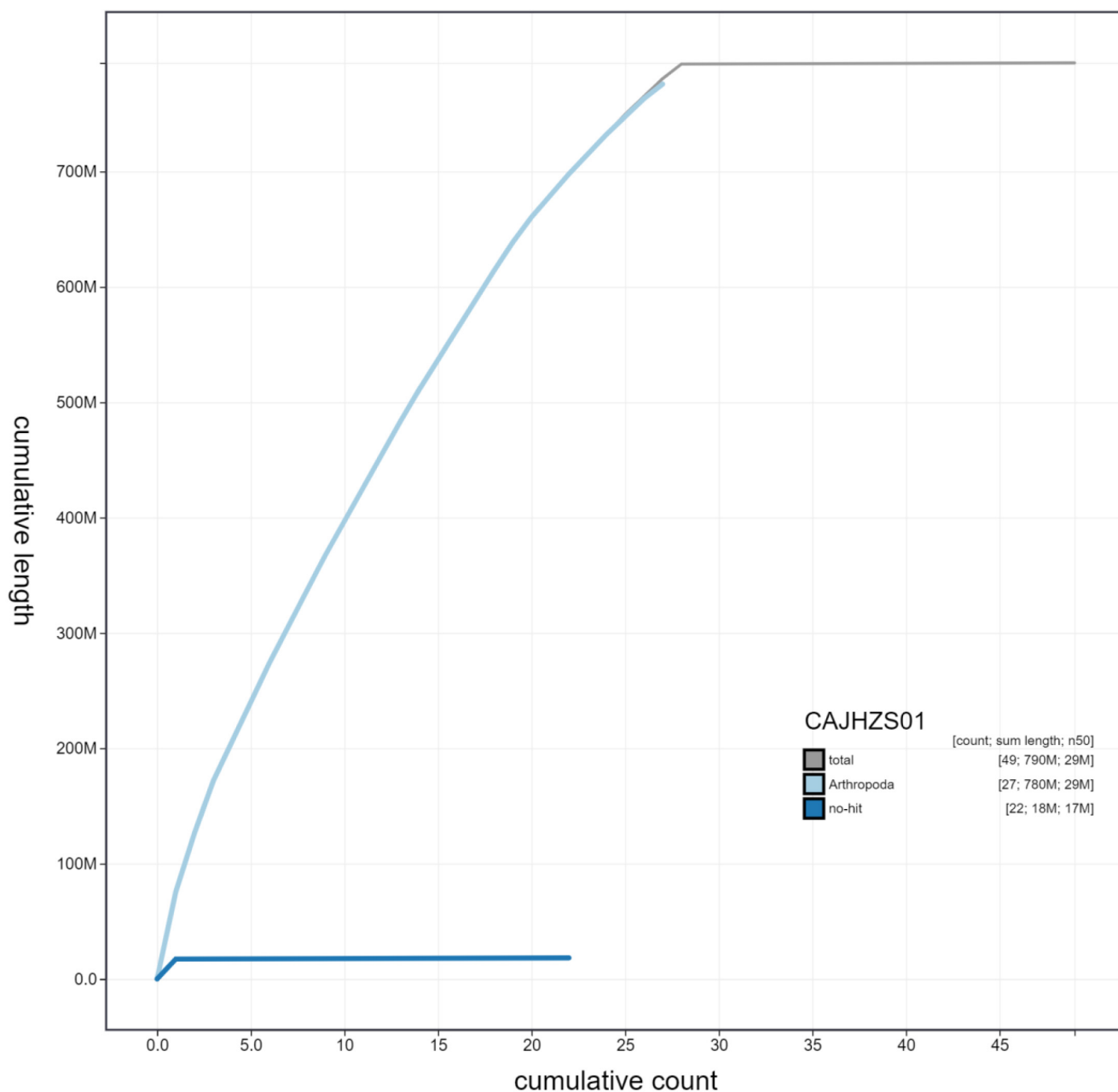


Figure 4. Genome assembly of *Notocelia uddmanniana*, ilNotUddm1.1: cumulative sequence. BlobToolKit cumulative sequence plot. The grey line shows cumulative length for all scaffolds. Coloured lines show cumulative lengths of scaffolds assigned to each phylum using the buscogenes taxrule. An interactive version of this figure is available at <https://blobtoolkit.genomehubs.org/view/ilNotUddm1.1/dataset/CAJHZS01/cumulative>.

(Howe *et al.*, 2021) was performed using gEVAL, HiGlass (Kerpedjiev *et al.*, 2018) and Pretext. The mitochondrial genome was assembled using MitoHiFi (Uliano-Silva *et al.*, 2021) and annotated using MitoFinder (Allio *et al.*, 2020). The genome was analysed and BUSCO scores generated within the BlobToolKit environment (Challis *et al.*, 2020). Table 3 contains a list of all software tool versions used, where appropriate.

Ethics/compliance issues

The materials that have contributed to this genome note have been supplied by a Darwin Tree of Life Partner. The submission of materials by a Darwin Tree of Life Partner is subject to the Darwin Tree of Life Project Sampling Code of Practice. By agreeing with and signing up to the Sampling Code of Practice, the Darwin Tree of Life Partner agrees they will meet the

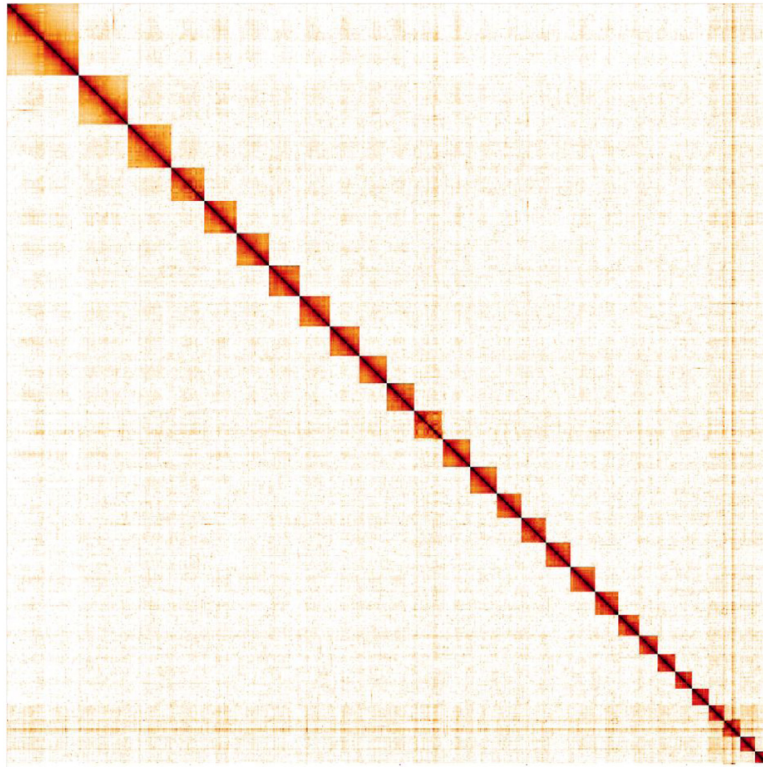


Figure 5. Genome assembly of *Notocelia uddmanniana*, ilNotUddm1.1: Hi-C contact map. Hi-C contact map of the ilNotUddm1.1 assembly, visualised in HiGlass. Chromosomes are given in order of size from left to right and top to bottom.

Table 2. Chromosomal pseudomolecules in the genome assembly of *Notocelia uddmanniana*, ilNotUddm1.1.

INSDC accession	Chromosome	Size (Mb)	GC%
LR991053.1	1	51.12	38.3
LR991054.1	2	44.98	38.3
LR991055.1	3	34.90	38.6
LR991056.1	4	33.91	38.6
LR991057.1	5	33.55	38.5
LR991058.1	6	31.63	38.3
LR991059.1	7	31.24	38.4
LR991060.1	8	30.81	38.7
LR991061.1	9	29.12	38.8
LR991062.1	10	28.99	38.6
LR991063.1	11	28.96	38.8
LR991064.1	12	28.81	38.6
LR991065.1	13	27.46	38.5
LR991066.1	14	25.91	38.7

INSDC accession	Chromosome	Size (Mb)	GC%
LR991067.1	15	25.88	38.7
LR991068.1	16	25.71	38.5
LR991069.1	17	25.63	38.7
LR991070.1	18	24.47	39
LR991071.1	19	21.77	38.9
LR991072.1	20	19.36	38.8
LR991073.1	21	18.18	39.2
LR991074.1	22	17.67	38.9
LR991075.1	23	17.30	39
LR991077.1	24	15.87	38.9
LR991076.1	25	16.51	39.8
LR991078.1	26	15.07	39.4
LR991079.1	27	12.65	39.3
LR991052.1	Z	75.62	38.4
LR991080.1	MT	0.02	18.8
-	Unplaced	1.01	40.8

Table 3. Software tools used.

Software tool	Version	Source
Hifiasm	0.12	Cheng <i>et al.</i> , 2021
purge_dups	1.2.3	Guan <i>et al.</i> , 2020
SALSA2	2.2	Ghurye <i>et al.</i> , 2019
longranger align	2.2.2	https://support.10xgenomics.com/genome-exome/software/pipelines/latest/advanced/other-pipelines
freebayes	1.3.1-17-gaa2ace8	Garrison & Marth, 2012
MitoHiFi	1	https://github.com/marcelauliano/MitoHiFi
gEVAL	N/A	Chow <i>et al.</i> , 2016
HiGlass	1.11.6	Kerpedjiev <i>et al.</i> , 2018
PretextView	0.1.x	https://github.com/wtsi-hpag/PretextView
BlobToolKit	2.6.2	Challis <i>et al.</i> , 2020

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. 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), and in some circumstances other Darwin Tree of Life collaborators.

Data availability

European Nucleotide Archive: *Notocelia uddmanniana* (bramble shoot). Accession number [PRJEB42137](https://www.ebi.ac.uk/ena/browser/view/PRJEB42137): <https://www.ebi.ac.uk/ena/browser/view/PRJEB42037>.

The genome sequence is released openly for reuse. The *N. uddmanniana* 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 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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Hidemasa Bono 

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Authors described genome sequencing of the bramble shoot moth, *Notocelia uddmanniana*. There are no other assemblies in the INSDC records besides the one submitted by the author. There are no problem in sample acquisition and DNA extraction. Furthermore, the data analysis method described in the manuscript is modern and appropriate for the genome assembly of insect species.

There is a typo in the Data availability section; PRJEB42137 should be PRJEB42037. It should be fixed before the final indexing because this information is very critical for 'Data Note' manuscript.

Is the rationale for creating the dataset(s) clearly described?

Yes

Are the protocols appropriate and is the work technically sound?

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Are sufficient details of methods and materials provided to allow replication by others?

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Are the datasets clearly presented in a useable and accessible format?

Yes

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I confirm that I have read this submission and believe that I have an appropriate level of expertise to confirm that it is of an acceptable scientific standard.

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Violaine Llaurens 

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The article accurately describes the chromosome-level assembly of the genome of a male *Notocelia uddmanniana* sampled in Oxfordshire. These new data open new research avenue in different scientific fields from ecology to evolution in Lepidoptera. A single male was sequenced, and the assembly show that the genome size is 794 mb long, and is arranged in 28 different chromosomes. At the moment, this genome remains to be annotated.

I have only a minor comment on this genome release : It is unclear to me whether the chromosome 1, which is the largest chromosome, corresponds to the Z-chromosome ?

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Are sufficient details of methods and materials provided to allow replication by others?

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In this manuscript, the authors describe the sequencing and assembly of the *Notocelia uddmanniana* genome using DNA from a single male specimen collected in the UK. The primary genome sequence assembly includes proposed chromosomal pseudomolecule sequences for 27 autosomes, the Z sex chromosome, and a complete mitochondrial genome. No females were collected, so the W sex chromosome was not sequenced. Overall, this is a solid contribution to the scientific literature.

Some suggestions to the authors:

1. **Methods:** The date of collection for the sequenced *Notocelia uddmanniana* specimen is not included in the manuscript. It is best practice to include collection dates for all wild-caught insect specimens used for genome sequencing because it is not unusual for cryptic species pairs to be distinguishable by differences in phenology of adult emergence. If it should come to pass that genus *Notocelia* includes cryptic species, knowing the specimen collection date can help future researchers determine to which taxon this sequenced genome should be assigned, especially since it appears that the entire specimen was used for DNA extraction and is no longer available for morphological examination.
2. For future work, I suggest that the researchers preferentially sequence the heterogametic sex when assembling genomes for previously unstudied species (in the case of Lepidoptera, the heterogametic sex is female), so that draft assemblies can be prepared for both sex chromosomes.

Is the rationale for creating the dataset(s) clearly described?

Yes

Are the protocols appropriate and is the work technically sound?

Yes

Are sufficient details of methods and materials provided to allow replication by others?

No

Are the datasets clearly presented in a useable and accessible format?

Yes

Competing Interests: No competing interests were disclosed.

Reviewer Expertise: Evolutionary biology of insects, phylogenomics

I confirm that I have read this submission and believe that I have an appropriate level of expertise to confirm that it is of an acceptable scientific standard, however I have significant reservations, as outlined above.
