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The genome sequence of the Knot Grass moth, *Acronicta rumicis* Linnaeus, 1758 (Lepidoptera: Noctuidae)

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Abstract

We present a genome assembly from an individual female *Acronicta rumicis* (Knot Grass moth; Arthropoda; Insecta; Lepidoptera; Noctuidae). The assembly contains two haplotypes with total lengths of 582.86 megabases and 528.05 megabases. Most of haplotype 1 (99.6%) is scaffolded into 32 chromosomal pseudomolecules, including the W and Z sex chromosomes. Haplotype 2 was assembled to scaffold level. The mitochondrial genome has also been assembled, with a length of 15.39 kilobases. This assembly was generated as part of the Darwin Tree of Life project, which produces reference genomes for eukaryotic species found in Britain and Ireland.

Keywords

Acronicta rumicis; Knot Grass 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; Noctuoidea; Noctuidae; Acronictinae; *Acronicta*; *Acronicta rumicis* Linnaeus, 1758 (NCBI:txid753146)

Background

The Knot Grass moth *Acronicta rumicis* (Linnaeus, 1758) is a widespread noctuid moth occurring throughout the UK in a range of open habitats, including grasslands, heathlands, wetlands, and gardens (The Wildlife Trusts, 2025; Waring *et al.*, 2017). Adults are typically on the wing from May to July, with a second brood flying in August and September in the southern parts of England (Kimber, 2025; The Wildlife Trusts, 2025; Waring *et al.*, 2017). Adults are nocturnal, frequently visiting flowers and are attracted to light.

The forewings are usually mottled grey with a small curved white mark near the rear edge, a helpful feature for distinguishing this species even in melanic forms (Kimber, 2025; The Wildlife Trusts, 2025). The caterpillars are black with red markings, long brown hairs, and a distinctive resting posture, hunched just behind the head. Larvae feed on a wide variety of woody and herbaceous plants, including knotgrass, dock, plantains, bramble, hawthorn, sorrel, heather, and purple loosestrife. They are present from June to September, with later broods extending into October in the south. The species overwinters as a pupa in a cocoon amongst ground litter (The Wildlife Trusts, 2025).

Despite its widespread distribution, *A. rumicis* has undergone a major decline. It is now considered **Vulnerable** under IUCN criteria following an estimated 68% decline over 25 years, based on long-term population monitoring (Butterfly Conservation & Rothamsted Research, 2006; Fox *et al.*, 2006). It is included on the UK Biodiversity Action Plan priority list and has also been designated as a Northern Ireland Priority Species (Joint Nature Conservation Committee (JNCC), 2007; National Museums Northern Ireland, 2025).

We present the first genome sequence for *A. rumicis*. The assembly was produced using the Tree of Life pipeline from a specimen collected in Hartslock Nature Reserve, England, United Kingdom (Figure 1), as part of the Darwin Tree of Life project.

Methods

Sample acquisition and DNA barcoding

The specimen used for genome sequencing was an adult female *Acronicta rumicis* (specimen ID NHMUK013805967, ToLID ilAcrRumi2; Figure 1), collected from Hartslock Nature Reserve, England, United Kingdom (latitude 51.51, longitude -1.11) on 2021-07-29. The specimen was collected by Ian Sims and formally identified by Ian Sims and David Lees. A second specimen was used for Hi-C sequencing (specimen



Figure 1. Photograph of the *Acronicta rumicis* (ilAcrRumi2) specimen used for genome sequencing.

ID Ox000692, ToLID ilAcrRumi1). It was collected from Wytham Woods, Oxfordshire, United Kingdom (latitude 51.772, longitude -1.338) on 2020-07-20. This specimen was collected and identified by Douglas Boyes. All sample metadata were collected in line with the Darwin Tree of Life project standards described by Lawniczak *et al.* (2022).

The initial identification was verified by an additional DNA barcoding process according to the framework developed by Twyford *et al.* (2024). A small sample was dissected from the specimen and stored in ethanol, while the remaining parts were shipped on dry ice to the Wellcome Sanger Institute (WSI) (see the protocol). The tissue was lysed, the COI marker region was amplified by PCR, and amplicons were sequenced and compared to the BOLD database, confirming the species identification (Crowley *et al.*, 2023). Following whole genome sequence generation, the relevant DNA barcode region was also used alongside the initial barcoding data for sample tracking at the WSI (Twyford *et al.*, 2024). The standard operating procedures for Darwin Tree of Life barcoding are available on protocols.io.

Nucleic acid extraction

Protocols for high molecular weight (HMW) DNA extraction developed at the Wellcome Sanger Institute (WSI) Tree of Life Core Laboratory are available on protocols.io (Howard *et al.*, 2025). The ilAcrRumi2 sample was weighed and triaged to determine the appropriate extraction protocol. Tissue from the thorax was homogenised by powermashing using a PowerMasher II tissue disruptor. HMW DNA was extracted using the MagAttract v3 protocol. DNA was sheared into an average fragment size of 12–20 kb following the Megaruptor®3 for LI PacBio protocol. Sheared DNA was purified by automated SPRI (solid-phase reversible immobilisation). The concentration of the sheared and purified DNA was assessed

using a Nanodrop spectrophotometer and Qubit Fluorometer using the Qubit dsDNA High Sensitivity Assay kit. Fragment size distribution was evaluated by running the sample on the FemtoPulse system. For this sample, the final post-shearing DNA had a Qubit concentration of 6.8 ng/μL and a yield of 2 720.00 ng.

PacBio HiFi library preparation and sequencing

Library preparation and sequencing were performed at the WSI Scientific Operations core. Libraries were prepared using the SMRTbell Prep Kit 3.0 (Pacific Biosciences, California, USA), following the manufacturer's instructions. The kit includes reagents for end repair/A-tailing, adapter ligation, post-ligation SMRTbell bead clean-up, and nuclease treatment. Size selection and clean-up were performed using diluted AMPure PB beads (Pacific Biosciences). DNA concentration was quantified using a Qubit Fluorometer v4.0 (ThermoFisher Scientific) and the Qubit 1X dsDNA HS assay kit. Final library fragment size was assessed with the Agilent Femto Pulse Automated Pulsed Field CE Instrument (Agilent Technologies) using the gDNA 55 kb BAC analysis kit.

The sample was sequenced on a Revio instrument (Pacific Biosciences). The prepared library was normalised to 2 nM, and 15 μL was used for making complexes. Primers were annealed and polymerases bound to generate circularised complexes, following the manufacturer's instructions. Complexes were purified using 1.2X SMRTbell beads, then diluted to the Revio loading concentration (200–300 pM) and spiked with a Revio sequencing internal control. The sample was sequenced on a Revio 25M SMRT cell. The SMRT Link software (Pacific Biosciences), a web-based workflow manager, was used to configure and monitor the run and to carry out primary and secondary data analysis.

Hi-C

Sample preparation and crosslinking

The Hi-C sample was prepared from 20–50 mg of frozen head and thorax tissue of the ilAcrRumil sample using the Arima-HiC v2 kit (Arima Genomics). Following the manufacturer's instructions, tissue was fixed and DNA crosslinked using TC buffer to a final formaldehyde concentration of 2%. The tissue was homogenised using the Diagnocine Power Masher-II. Crosslinked DNA was digested with a restriction enzyme master mix, biotinylated, and ligated. Clean-up was performed with SPRISelect beads before library preparation. DNA concentration was measured with the Qubit Fluorometer (Thermo Fisher Scientific) and Qubit HS Assay Kit. The biotinylation percentage was estimated using the Arima-HiC v2 QC beads.

Hi-C library preparation and sequencing

Biotinylated DNA constructs were fragmented using a Covaris E220 sonicator and size selected to 400–600 bp using SPRISelect beads. DNA was enriched with Arima-HiC v2 kit Enrichment beads. End repair, A-tailing, and adapter ligation were carried out with the NEBNext Ultra II DNA Library Prep Kit (New England Biolabs), following a modified protocol where library preparation occurs while DNA remains bound

to the Enrichment beads. Library amplification was performed using KAPA HiFi HotStart mix and a custom Unique Dual Index (UDI) barcode set (Integrated DNA Technologies). Depending on sample concentration and biotinylation percentage determined at the crosslinking stage, libraries were amplified with 10 to 16 PCR cycles. Post-PCR clean-up was performed with SPRISelect beads. Libraries were quantified using the AccuClear Ultra High Sensitivity dsDNA Standards Assay Kit (Biotium) and a FLUOstar Omega plate reader (BMG Labtech).

Prior to sequencing, libraries were normalised to 10 ng/μL. Normalised libraries were quantified again and equimolar and/or weighted 2.8 nM pools. Pool concentrations were checked using the Agilent 4200 TapeStation (Agilent) with High Sensitivity D500 reagents before sequencing. Sequencing was performed using paired-end 150 bp reads on the Illumina NovaSeq 6000.

Genome assembly

Prior to assembly of the PacBio HiFi reads, a database of *k*-mer counts (*k* = 31) was generated from the filtered reads using FastK. GenomeScope2 (Ranallo-Benavidez *et al.*, 2020) was used to analyse the *k*-mer frequency distributions, providing estimates of genome size, heterozygosity, and repeat content.

The HiFi reads were assembled using Hifiasm in Hi-C phasing mode (Cheng *et al.*, 2021; Cheng *et al.*, 2022), producing two haplotypes. Hi-C reads (Rao *et al.*, 2014) were mapped to the primary contigs using bwa-mem2 (Vasimuddin *et al.*, 2019). Contigs were further scaffolded with Hi-C data in YaHS (Zhou *et al.*, 2023), using the --break option for handling potential misassemblies. The scaffolded assemblies were evaluated using Gfastats (Formenti *et al.*, 2022), BUSCO (Manni *et al.*, 2021) and MERQURY.FK (Rhie *et al.*, 2020).

The mitochondrial genome was assembled using MitoHiFi (Uliano-Silva *et al.*, 2023), which runs MitoFinder (Allio *et al.*, 2020) and uses these annotations to select the final mitochondrial contig and to ensure the general quality of the sequence.

Assembly curation

The assembly was decontaminated using the Assembly Screen for Cobionts and Contaminants (ASCC) pipeline. TreeVal was used to generate the flat files and maps for use in curation.

Manual curation was conducted primarily in PretextView and HiGlass (Kerpedjiev *et al.*, 2018). Scaffolds were visually inspected and corrected as described by Howe *et al.* (2021). Manual corrections included 10 breaks and 24 joins. The curation process is documented at <https://gitlab.com/wtsi-grit/rapid-curation>. PretextViewSnapshot was used to generate a Hi-C contact map of the final assembly.

Assembly quality assessment

The Merqury.FK tool (Rhie *et al.*, 2020) was run in a Singularity container (Kurtzer *et al.*, 2017) to evaluate *k*-mer completeness and assembly quality for both haplotypes using the *k*-mer databases (*k* = 31) computed prior to genome assembly. The

analysis outputs included assembly QV scores and completeness statistics.

The genome was analysed using the [BlobToolKit pipeline](#), a Nextflow implementation of the earlier Snakemake version ([Challis et al., 2020](#)). The pipeline aligns PacBio reads using minimap2 ([Li, 2018](#)) and SAMtools ([Danecek et al., 2021](#)) to generate coverage tracks. It runs BUSCO ([Manni et al., 2021](#)) using lineages identified from the NCBI Taxonomy ([Schoch et al., 2020](#)). For the three domain-level lineages, BUSCO genes are aligned to the UniProt Reference Proteomes database ([Bateman et al., 2023](#)) using DIAMOND blastp ([Buchfink et al., 2021](#)). The genome is divided into chunks based on the density of BUSCO genes from the closest taxonomic lineage, and each chunk is aligned to the UniProt Reference Proteomes database with DIAMOND blastx. Sequences without hits are chunked using seqtk and aligned to the NT database with blastn ([Altschul et al., 1990](#)). The BlobToolKit suite consolidates all outputs into a blobdir for visualisation. The BlobToolKit pipeline was developed using nf-core tooling ([Ewels et al., 2020](#)) and MultiQC ([Ewels et al., 2016](#)), with containerisation through Docker ([Merkel, 2014](#)) and Singularity ([Kurtzer et al., 2017](#)).

Genome sequence report

Sequence data

PacBio sequencing of the *Acronicta rumicis* specimen generated 49.66 Gb (gigabases) from 5.23 million reads, which

were used to assemble the genome. GenomeScope2.0 analysis estimated the haploid genome size at 574.01 Mb, with a heterozygosity of 2.56% and repeat content of 37.25% ([Figure 2](#)). These estimates guided expectations for the assembly. Based on the estimated genome size, the sequencing data provided approximately 84× coverage. Hi-C sequencing produced 109.54 Gb from 725.44 million reads, which were used to scaffold the assembly. [Table 1](#) summarises the specimen and sequencing details.

Assembly statistics

The genome was assembled into two haplotypes using Hi-C phasing. Haplotype 1 was curated to chromosome level, while haplotype 2 was assembled to scaffold level. The final assembly has a total length of 582.86 Mb in 53 scaffolds, with 20 gaps, and a scaffold N50 of 19.31 Mb ([Table 2](#)).

Most of the assembly sequence (99.6%) was assigned to 32 chromosomal-level scaffolds, representing 31 autosomes and the W and Z sex chromosomes. These chromosome-level scaffolds, confirmed by Hi-C data, are named according to size ([Figure 3](#); [Table 3](#)). The Z and W chromosomes were identified by copy number in the diploid assembly. During curation, we noted that the exact order and orientation of the contigs on chromosome 23 (10.8–11.63Mbp) are uncertain. The mitochondrial genome was also assembled. This sequence is included as a contig in the multifasta file of the genome submission and as a standalone record.

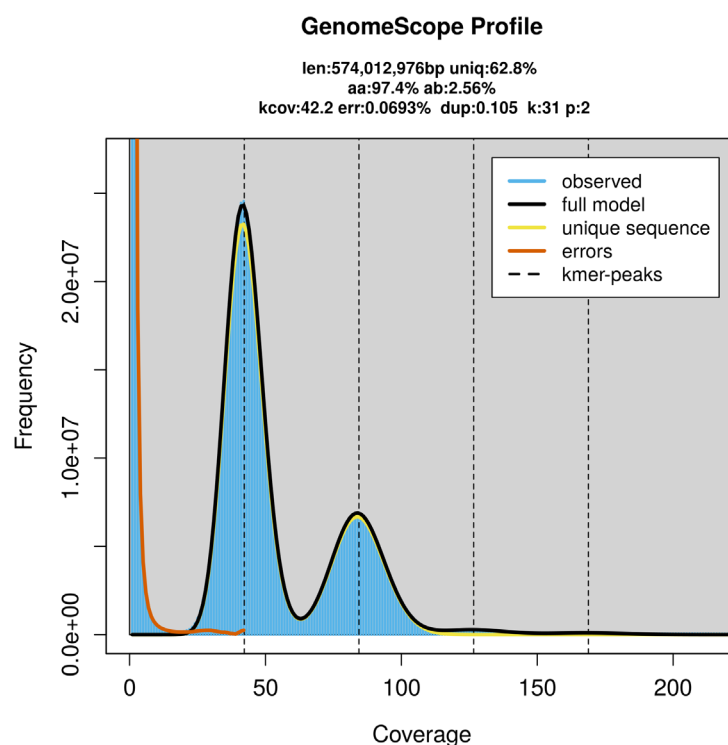


Figure 2. Frequency distribution of *k*-mers generated using GenomeScope2. The plot shows observed and modelled *k*-mer spectra, providing estimates of genome size, heterozygosity, and repeat content based on unassembled sequencing reads.

Table 1. Specimen and sequencing data for BioProject PRJEB86626.

Platform	PacBio HiFi	Hi-C
ToLID	ilAcrRumi2	ilAcrRumi1
Specimen ID	NHMUK013805967	Ox000692
BioSample (source individual)	SAMEA111458015	SAMEA7701553
BioSample (tissue)	SAMEA111458106	SAMEA7701743
Tissue	thorax	head thorax
Instrument	Revio	Illumina NovaSeq 6000
Run accessions	ERR14777920	ERR14782848
Read count total	5.23 million	725.44 million
Base count total	49.66 Gb	109.54 Gb

Table 2. Genome assembly statistics.

Assembly name	ilAcrRumi2.hap1.1	ilAcrRumi2.hap2.1
Assembly accession	GCA_965234005.1	GCA_965233995.1
Assembly level	chromosome	scaffold
Span (Mb)	582.86	528.05
Number of chromosomes	32	N/A
Number of contigs	73	512
Contig N50	18.93 Mb	8.12 Mb
Number of scaffolds	53	393
Scaffold N50	19.31 Mb	18.34 Mb
Longest scaffold length (Mb)	30.06	N/A
Sex chromosomes	W and Z	N/A
Organelles	Mitochondrion: 15.39 kb	N/A

For haplotype 1, the estimated QV is 67.5, and for haplotype 2, 66.1. When the two haplotypes are combined, the assembly achieves an estimated QV of 66.8. The *k*-mer completeness is 67.04% for haplotype 1, 62.36% for haplotype 2, and 99.58% for the combined haplotypes (Figure 4).

BUSCO analysis using the lepidoptera_odb10 reference set (*n* = 5 286) identified 98.8% of the expected gene set (single = 98.4%, duplicated = 0.4%) for haplotype 1. The snail plot in Figure 5 summarises the scaffold length distribution and other assembly statistics for haplotype 1. The blob plot in Figure 6 shows the distribution of scaffolds by GC proportion and coverage for haplotype 1.

Table 4 lists the assembly metric benchmarks adapted from Rhie *et al.* (2021) the Earth BioGenome Project Report on Assembly Standards September 2024. The EBP metric, calculated for the

haplotype 1, is **7.C.Q67**, meeting the recommended reference standard.

Wellcome Sanger Institute – Legal and Governance
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**’, which can be found in full on the [Darwin Tree of Life website](#). 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. Further, the Wellcome Sanger Institute employs a process whereby due diligence is carried out proportionate to the nature of the materials themselves, and the circumstances under which they

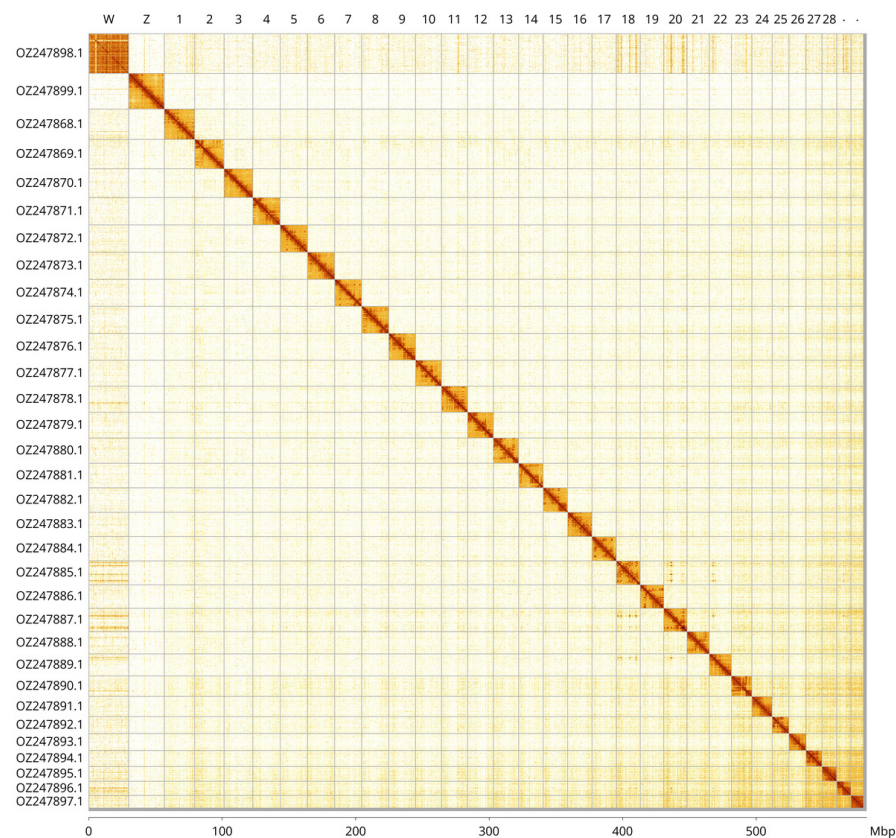


Figure 3. Hi-C contact map of the *Aconicta rumicis* genome assembly. Assembled chromosomes are shown in order of size and labelled along the axes, with a megabase scale shown below. The plot was generated using PretextSnapshot.

Table 3. Chromosomal pseudomolecules in the haplotype 1 genome assembly of *Aconicta rumicis* ilAcrRumi2.

INSDC accession	Molecule	Length (Mb)	GC%
OZ247868.1	1	22.77	37
OZ247869.1	2	22	37
OZ247870.1	3	21.44	37
OZ247871.1	4	20.51	36.50
OZ247872.1	5	20.48	36.50
OZ247873.1	6	20.33	37
OZ247874.1	7	20.31	37
OZ247875.1	8	20.26	37
OZ247876.1	9	20.02	37
OZ247877.1	10	19.54	37
OZ247878.1	11	19.44	37
OZ247879.1	12	19.31	36.50
OZ247880.1	13	18.93	37
OZ247881.1	14	18.45	37
OZ247882.1	15	18.31	37

INSDC accession	Molecule	Length (Mb)	GC%
OZ247883.1	16	18.23	37
OZ247884.1	17	18.20	37
OZ247885.1	18	17.92	37.50
OZ247886.1	19	17.60	37.50
OZ247887.1	20	17.50	37.50
OZ247888.1	21	16.72	37.50
OZ247889.1	22	16.47	37
OZ247890.1	23	15.43	38
OZ247891.1	24	15.06	37.50
OZ247892.1	25	12.73	37.50
OZ247893.1	26	12.63	37.50
OZ247894.1	27	12.09	38
OZ247895.1	28	11.08	38
OZ247896.1	29	10.59	38.50
OZ247897.1	30	9.43	38.50
OZ247898.1	W	30.06	39.50
OZ247899.1	Z	26.71	36.50

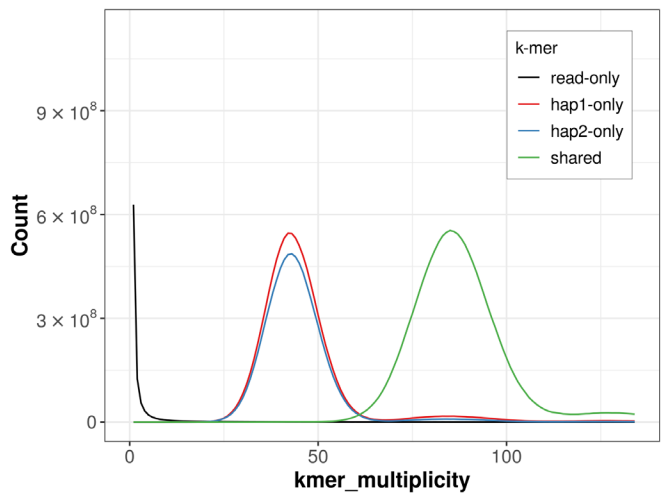


Figure 4. Evaluation of *k*-mer completeness using MerquyFK. This plot illustrates the recovery of *k*-mers from the original read data in the final assemblies. The horizontal axis represents *k*-mer multiplicity, and the vertical axis shows the number of *k*-mers. The black curve represents *k*-mers that appear in the reads but are not assembled. The green curve corresponds to *k*-mers shared by both haplotypes, and the red and blue curves show *k*-mers found only in one of the haplotypes.

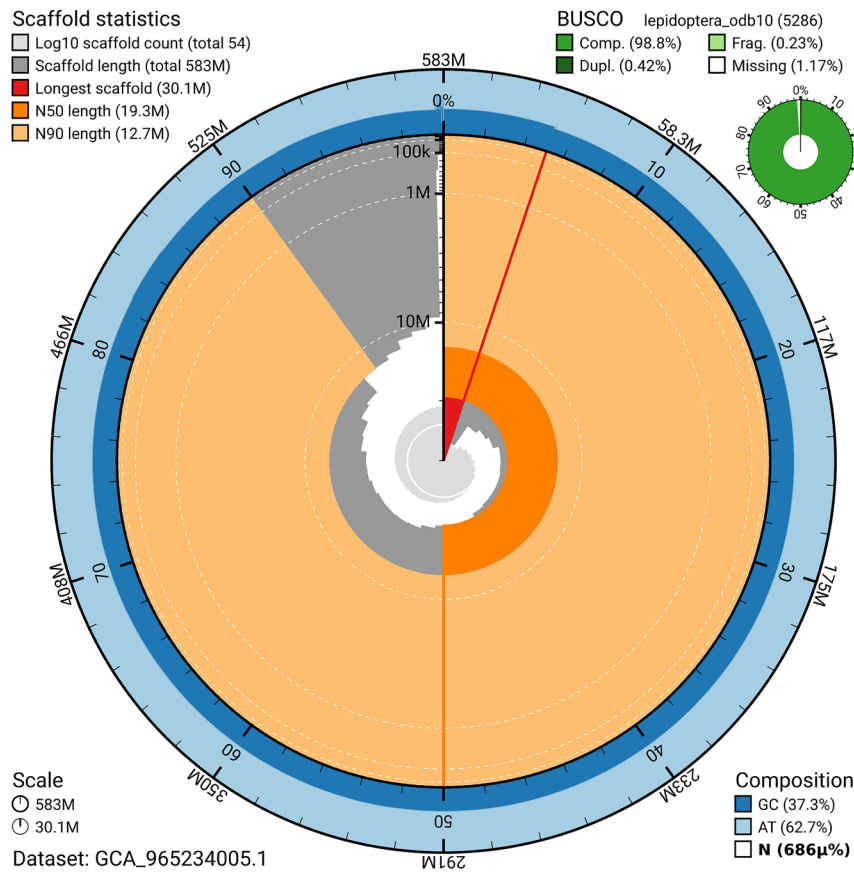


Figure 5. Assembly metrics for *ilAcrRumi2.hap1.1*. The BlobToolKit snail plot provides an overview of assembly metrics and BUSCO gene completeness. The circumference represents the length of the whole genome sequence, and the main plot is divided into 1 000 bins around the circumference. The outermost blue tracks display the distribution of GC, AT, and N percentages across the bins. Scaffolds are arranged clockwise from longest to shortest and are depicted in dark grey. The longest scaffold is indicated by the red arc, and the deeper orange and pale orange arcs represent the N50 and N90 lengths. A light grey spiral at the centre shows the cumulative scaffold count on a logarithmic scale. A summary of complete, fragmented, duplicated, and missing BUSCO genes in the set is presented at the top right. An interactive version of this figure can be accessed on the [BlobToolKit viewer](#).

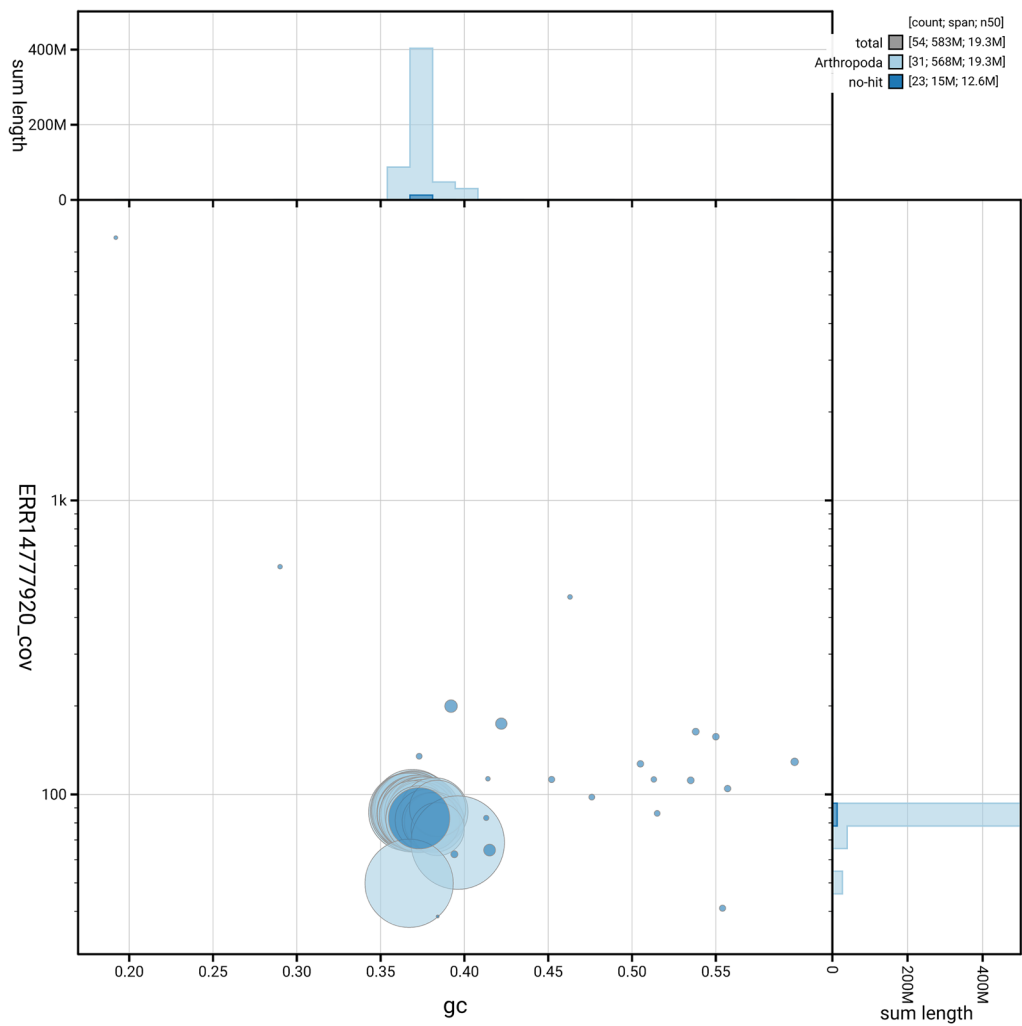


Figure 6. BlobToolKit GC-coverage plot for iLAcrRumi2.hap1.1. Blob plot showing sequence coverage (vertical axis) and GC content (horizontal axis). The circles represent scaffolds, with the size proportional to scaffold length and the colour representing phylum membership. The histograms along the axes display the total length of sequences distributed across different levels of coverage and GC content. An interactive version of this figure is available on the [BlobToolKit viewer](#).

Table 4. Earth Biogenome Project summary metrics for the *Acronicta rumicis* assembly.

Measure	Value	Benchmark
EBP summary (haplotype 1)	7.C.Q67	6.C.Q40
Contig N50 length	18.93 Mb	≥1 Mb
Scaffold N50 length	19.31 Mb	= chromosome N50
Consensus quality (QV)	Haplotype 1: 67.5; haplotype 2: 66.1; combined: 66.8	≥40
k-mer completeness	Haplotype 1: 67.04%; Haplotype 2: 62.36%; combined: 99.58%	≥95%
BUSCO	C:98.8% [S:98.4%; D:0.4%]; F:0.2%; M:0.9%; n:5 286	S > 90%; D < 5%
Percentage of assembly assigned to chromosomes	99.60%	≥90%

have been/are to be collected and provided for use. The purpose of this is to address and mitigate any potential 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), and in some circumstances, other Darwin Tree of Life collaborators.

Data availability

European Nucleotide Archive: *Acronicta rumicis* (knot grass). Accession number [PRJEB86626](#). The genome sequence is released openly for reuse. The *Acronicta rumicis* genome sequencing initiative is part of the Darwin Tree of Life Project (PRJEB40665), the Sanger Institute Tree of Life Programme (PRJEB43745) and Project Psyche (PRJEB71705). 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](#) and [Table 2](#).

Production code used in genome assembly at the WSI Tree of Life is available at <https://github.com/sanger-tol>. [Table 5](#) lists software versions used in this study.

Table 5. Software versions and sources.

Software	Version	Source
BEDTools	2.30.0	https://github.com/arq5x/bedtools2
BLAST	2.14.0	ftp://ftp.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/blast/executables/blast+/
BlobToolKit	4.4.5	https://github.com/blobtoolkit/blobtoolkit
BUSCO	5.7.1	https://gitlab.com/ezlab/busco
bwa-mem2	2.2.1	https://github.com/bwa-mem2/bwa-mem2
Cooler	0.8.11	https://github.com/open2c/cooler
DIAMOND	2.1.8	https://github.com/bbuchfink/diamond
fasta_windows	0.2.4	https://github.com/tolkit/fasta_windows
FastK	1.1	https://github.com/thegenemyers/FASTK
GenomeScope2.0	2.0.1	https://github.com/tbenavi1/genomescope2.0
Gfastats	1.3.6	https://github.com/vgl-hub/gfastats
GoaT CLI	0.2.5	https://github.com/genomehubs/goat-cli
Hifiasm	0.19.8-r603	https://github.com/chhy123/hifiasm
HiGlass	1.13.4	https://github.com/higlass/higlass
MerquryFK	1.1.2	https://github.com/thegenemyers/MERQURY.FK
Minimap2	2.28-r1209	https://github.com/lh3/minimap2
MitoHiFi	3	https://github.com/marcelauliano/MitoHiFi
MultiQC	1.14; 1.17 and 1.18	https://github.com/MultiQC/MultiQC
Nextflow	24.10.4	https://github.com/nextflow-io/nextflow
PretextSnapshot	N/A	https://github.com/sanger-tol/PretextSnapshot
PretextView	0.2.5	https://github.com/sanger-tol/PretextView
samtools	1.21	https://github.com/samtools/samtools
sanger-tol/ascc	0.1.0	https://github.com/sanger-tol/ascc

Software	Version	Source
sanger-tol/blobtoolkit	v0.7.1	https://github.com/sanger-tol/blobtoolkit
Seqtk	1.3	https://github.com/lh3/seqtk
Singularity	3.9.0	https://github.com/sylabs/singularity
TreeVal	1.2.0	https://github.com/sanger-tol/treeval
YaHS	1.2.2	https://github.com/c-zhou/yahs

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