
















# A high-quality chromosome-level genome assembly of rohu carp, *Labeo rohita*, and discovery of SNP markers

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## Abstract

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## Introduction

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## Methods & Materials

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### Genome Sequencing & Flowcytometry

ALAM – Rohu blood collection

### Flow cytometry

The genome size of *Labeo rohita* was estimated for five samples via flow cytometry using trout erythrocyte nuclei (TENS; <https://www.biosure.com/tens.html>) as a standard (genome size=6.5pg). For each sample, nuclei were stabilized in 200 ul of LB01-propidium iodide (PI) buffer as per [1], and two drops of TENS standard were used per 50ul of fish blood. Each sample was measured twice, totaling 10 runs overall. Only measurements with greater than 5,000 nuclei and a coefficient of variation (CV) of less than 3% were retained [1].

### Illumina short-read sequencing

A total of 2 µg of extracted genomic DNA was used for DNA-Seq library preparation using Illumina TruSeq DNA PCR-free Library Prep Kit (Illumina, San Diego, CA, USA). The final DNA-Seq library with the insert size range of 350 bp to 450 bp was submitted to Novogene company ([www.en.novogene.com](http://www.en.novogene.com)) for total of 2 lanes of PE150 Illumina HiSeq X-Ten (Illumina, San Diego, CA, USA) sequencing.

### Oxford Nanopore sequencing

For each Nanopore sequencing run, 2 to 2.5 µg of genomic DNA was used in the library preparation with Nanopore Genomic DNA Ligation Sequencing Kit SQK-LSK 109 (Oxford Nanopore Technologies, Oxford, UK). The final library (about 700 to 750 ng) was loaded on a Nanopore Flow Cell R9.4.1 (Oxford Nanopore Technologies, Oxford, UK) and sequenced on GridION sequencer (Oxford Nanopore

Technologies, Oxford, UK) for 48 hours. A total of 10 flow cell runs were conducted for the genome assembly.

## Hi-C sequencing

One hundred µl of fish blood was subjected to the Hi-C library preparation using the Proximo Hi-C Animal Kit (Phase Genomics, Seattle, WA, USA). The final DNA-Seq library was submitted to Novogene (www.en.novogene.com) for 1 lane of PE150 Illumina HiSeq X-Ten (Illumina, San Diego, CA, USA) sequencing.

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## Assembly & Annotation

Jellyfish (v2.2.10) [2] and GenomeScope (v1.0) [3] estimated the genome size using the Illumina paired reads digested into 50-mers.

Nanopore data was filtered to remove the control lambda-phage and sequences shorter than 1000 bases using the nanopack tool suite (v1.0.1) [4]. Trimmomatic (v0.32) [5] removed adapters, trimmed low quality bases, and filtered reads shorter than 85bp. The filtered nanopore data was assembled into contigs using wtdbg2 (v2.4) [6]. The contigs were polished using the two iterations of racon (v1.4.0) [7] with minimap2 (v2.17) ([8]) mapping the nanopore reads. The contigs were further polished using pilon (v1.23) [9] with bwa (v0.7.10) [10] mapping the Illumina paired reads. The contigs were scaffolded using Bionano Solve (Solve3.4.1\_09262019) ([11]) and SALSA (v2.3) [12]. That scaffolds larger than 10Mb were linked and oriented based on the *Onychostoma macrolepis* genome [13], the most similar chromosome assembly available on NCBI, using ragtag (v1.1.1) [14].

RepeatModeler (v2.0.1) [15] and RepeatMasker (v4.1.1) [repeatmasker?] were used to create a species-specific repeat database, and mask those repeats in the genome. All available RNA-seq libraries for *L. rohita* [1] were downloaded from NCBI and mapped to the masked genome using hisat2 (v2.1.0) [16]. These alignments were used in the mikado (v2.0rc2) [17] and braker2 (v2.1.5) [18] pipelines. Mikado uses the putative transcripts assembled from the RNA-seq alignments generated via stringtie (v2.1.2) [19], cufflinks (v2.2.1) [20], and trinity (v2.11.0) [21]; along with the junction site prediction from portcullis (v1.2.2) [22], the alignments of the putative transcripts with UniprotKB Swiss-Prot (v2021.03) [uniprot?], and the ORFs from prodigal (v2.6.3) [23] to select the best representative for each locus. Braker2 uses the RNA-seq alignments and the gene prediction from GeneMark-ES (v4.61) [24] to train a species-specific Augustus (v3.3.3) [25] model. Maker2 (v2.31.10) [26] predicts genes based on the new Augustus, GeneMark, and SNAP models; modifying the predictions based on the available RNA and protein evidence from the *Cyprinidae* family in the NCBI RefSeq database. Any predicted genes with an AED above 0.47 were removed from further analysis. The surviving genes were functionally annotated using InterProScan (v5.47-82.0) [27] and BLAST+ (v2.9.0) [28] alignments against the UniprotKB Swiss-Prot database. Busco (v5.2.2) [29] was used to verify the completeness of both the genome and annotations against the actinopterygii\_odb10 database. Lastly, genes spanning large gaps or completely contained within another gene on the opposite strand were removed using a custom perl script (https://github.com/IGBB/rohu-genome/).

**Table 1:** List of SRA accessions used in annotation pipeline. A table of all metadata available for these accessions can be found [here](#).

BioProject	BioSample	Run	Instrument	sex	Tissue
PRJNA401304	SAMN07602342	SRR6003546	Illumina HiSeq 2000	female	Brain
PRJNA401304	SAMN07602341	SRR6003547	Illumina HiSeq 2000	female	Brain

BioProject	BioSample	Run	Instrument	sex	Tissue
PRJNA401304	SAMN07602344	SRR6003548	Illumina HiSeq 2000	female	Pituitary
PRJNA401304	SAMN07602343	SRR6003549	Illumina HiSeq 2000	female	Pituitary
PRJNA401304	SAMN07602346	SRR6003550	Illumina HiSeq 2000	female	Gonad
PRJNA401304	SAMN07602345	SRR6003551	Illumina HiSeq 2000	female	Gonad
PRJNA401304	SAMN07602348	SRR6003552	Illumina HiSeq 2000	female	Liver
PRJNA401304	SAMN07602347	SRR6003553	Illumina HiSeq 2000	female	Liver
PRJNA449818	SAMN08918388	SRR6987066	NextSeq 500	female	Pooled tissue
PRJNA449818	SAMN08918389	SRR6987067	NextSeq 500	male	Pooled tissue
PRJNA449818	SAMN08918390	SRR6987068	NextSeq 500	female	whole body
PRJNA528865	SAMN11246839	SRR8816555	Illumina HiSeq 2500	not applicable	Liver
PRJNA528865	SAMN11246841	SRR8816556	Illumina HiSeq 2500	not applicable	Liver
PRJNA528865	SAMN11246840	SRR8816557	Illumina HiSeq 2500	not applicable	Liver
PRJNA450719	SAMN08944450	SRR7027730	NextSeq 500	female	Pooled tissue
PRJNA450719	SAMN08944449	SRR7027731	NextSeq 500	male	Pooled tissue
PRJNA450719	SAMN08944451	SRR7027732	NextSeq 500	male	Whole body

## Comparitive Genomics

The assenbly statistics, length distributions, BUSCO completeness scorse, and sequence similarity via dot-plots were compared between the IGBB /Labeo rohita/ genome (reported here) and the two other rohu genomes available on NCBI (CIFA: GCA\_004120215.1, HRRL: GCA\_017311145.1), as well as all annotated Cypriniformes genomes from NCBI [2]. Assembly statistics were calculated using `abyss-fac` from the ABySS (v2.3.4) [30]. Lengths distributions were calculated and graphed using `samtools` (v1.9) [31] and the R tidyverse package [32]. BUSCO (v5.2.2) [29] with the `actinopterygii_odb10` database was used to find the BUSCO scores for each genome. `Minimap2` (v2.17-r941) [8] and the `pafCoordsDotPlotly` R script (<https://github.com/tpoorten/dotPlotly>) were used to create dot-plots. For the Cypriniformes data-set, only chromosome level assemblies were included in the dot-plots. The /Danio rerio/ and /Triplophysa tibetana/ genomes were also excluded from the dot-plots since few of the alignments passed the default quality filter in `pafCoordsDotPlotly`. The annotated genes were also compared to all annotated Cypriniformes using `OrthoFinder` (v2.5.4) [33].

**Table 2:** List of Cypriniformes genomes used in comparative analyses

Organism Scientific Name	Assembly Name	Assembly Accession	Level	Contig N50	Size	Submission Date	Gene Count
Anabarilius grahami	BGI_Agra_1.0	GCA_003731715.1	Scaffold	36058	991887266	2018-11-15	23906
Carassius auratus	ASM336829v1	GCF_003368295.1	Chromosome	821153	1820618472	2018-08-09	83650
Cyprinus carpio	ASM1834038v1	GCF_018340385.1	Chromosome	1558716	1680118328	2021-05-12	59559
Danionella translucida	ASM722483v1	GCA_007224835.1	Scaffold	133131	735303417	2019-07-22	35803

Organism Scientific Name	Assembly Name	Assembly Accession	Level	Contig N50	Size	Submission Date	Gene Count
Danio rerio	GRCz11	GCF_000002035.6	Chromosome	1422317	1373454788	2017-05-09	40031
Onychostoma macrolepis	ASM1243209v1	GCA_012432095.1	Chromosome	10809623	886569841	2020-04-17	24754
Pimephales promelas	EPA_FHM_2.0	GCA_016745375.1	Scaffold	295770	1066412313	2021-01-24	26150
Puntigrus tetrazona	ASM1883169v1	GCF_018831695.1	Chromosome	1423374	730801986	2021-06-10	40303
Sinocyclocheilus anshuiensis	SAMN03320099.WGS_v1.1	GCF_001515605.1	Scaffold	17271	1632701648	2015-12-14	52005
Sinocyclocheilus grahami	SAMN03320097.WGS_v1.1	GCF_001515645.1	Scaffold	29354	1750271176	2015-12-16	55200
Sinocyclocheilus rhinoceros	SAMN03320098_v1.1	GCF_001515625.1	Scaffold	18758	1655769822	2015-12-14	53875
Triplophysa tibetana	ASM836982v1	GCA_008369825.1	Chromosome	2833080	652930317	2019-09-12	24398

## ddRAD-Seq & SNP Discovery

### WORLD FISH – Fin clipping collection

### ZENAIDA – ddRAD-Seq method

### CORRINNE – SNP Discovery, population analyses, interested in using the gender, which contigs associated with sex

## Data Availability

The data used for the *L. rohita* genome and annotation are available at NCBI under the BioProject PRJNA650519. The assembled genome sequence and annotations are available at GenBank under accessions JACTAM000000000. The raw data is available at the SRA (Sequence Read Archive) under accessions SRR12580210 – SRR12580221.

## Results & Discussion

### Sequencing & Assembly

The C-value of *L. rohita* was previously reported as 1.99 pg (~1.95Gb) using Feulgen densitometry [34] or 1.5Gb using k-mer estimation [35]. However, the flow cytometry results (Table [3]) show a C-value of 0.99 pg (~0.97Gb) with a standard deviation of 0.02 across all measurements. The smaller C-value is also closer to the genome estimate produced by GenomeScope (0.97Gb) and the final genome assembly size of 0.95 Gb.

**Table 3:** Flow cytometry results for 5 *L. rohita* blood samples, measured twice. 1) Trout erythrocyte nuclei: Genome size = 5.19pg. 2) Genome estimate calculated as (average sample fluorescence/ average standard fluorescence \* standard genome size) in picograms DIPLOID (i.e., 2C).

Specimen Name	Number of Sample nuclei	Average sample fluorescence	Number of standard nuclei	Average standard fluorescence	Estimated Genome size <sup>2</sup>	HAPLOID
Fish 1 Sample 1	16020	27350	2065	69247	2.049857756	1.024928878
Fish 2 Sample 1	13082	25929	6570	66671	2.018441451	1.0092207255
Fish 2 Sample 2	15402	25665	4354	67489	1.973674969	0.9868374845
Fish 3 Sample 1	15124	25798	4442	68195	1.963364176	0.981682088
Fish 3 Sample 2	14923	25763	4823	68837	1.942414254	0.971207127
Fish 4 Sample 1	13320	26346	5913	69665	1.962760927	0.9813804635
Fish 4 Sample 2	5624	26612	4097	68876	2.005288925	1.0026444625
Fish 5 Sample 1	6771	25761	3080	68825	1.942602107	0.9713010535
Fish 5 Sample 2	15926	26369	3352	68832	1.988248344	0.994124172
Standard only <sup>1</sup>	3	25258	3311	64331	NA	
				Average	1.982961434	0.9914807172
				Standard Deviation	0.03607582	0.01803790999

A total of 130.5 Gb of Nanopore long reads from 44.7 million read, and 261 Gb of Illumina short reads from 870 million pairs were produced, along with 382 million pairs (114 Gb) for the Hi-C library. The initial *de novo* assembly consisted of 4999 contigs with an N50 of 1.28 Mb. After the Bionano and HiC data was incorporated, the total number of sequences dropped to 2899 and the N50 increased to 29.9 Mb. The final assembly consisted of 25 chromosome length scaffolds and 2844 unplaced scaffolds, ranging in size from 1,479bp to 7.18 Mb. The chromosome scaffold consist of one to eight sequences with all but three made from three or fewer sequences. Table [4] contains a common assembly statistics for each step. The final genome size is 97.9% of the estimated genome size. The annotation pipeline produced 51,079 primary transcripts, 31,274 surviving the AED, gap, and overlapping filters. BUSCO analysis show the genome completely contains 98.1% of the 3640 orthologs in the actinopterygii\_odb10 database with 37 (1%) duplicated; while, the filtered transcriptome contains 84.5% of the total orthologs complete with 74 duplicated. A complete comparison of the BUSCO analyses can be found in Table [5].

**Table 4:** Assembly statistics for each stage of the assembly

n	n:500	L50	min	N75	N50	N25	E-size	max	sum	name
4999	4999	202	1348	514919	1281850	2395030	1727184	7832582	9.43E+08	wtdbg2
3709	3706	15	1479	1.13E+07	2.65E+07	3.08E+07	2.20E+07	3.79E+07	9.46E+08	bionano
2899	2896	14	1479	2.64E+07	2.99E+07	3.43E+07	2.69E+07	4.45E+07	9.46E+08	hic
2872	2869	13	1479	2.88E+07	3.25E+07	3.61E+07	3.00E+07	4.53E+07	9.46E+08	ragtag

**Table 5:** BUSCO analysis for the genome and transcriptome, before and after AED filtering.

Type	Genome	Unfiltered Transcriptome	Filtered Transcriptome
Complete BUSCOs (C)	3571	3139	3078
Complete and single-copy BUSCOs (S)	3534	3064	3001
Complete and duplicated BUSCOs (D)	37	75	74
Fragmented BUSCOs (F)	23	192	170
Missing BUSCOs (M)	46	309	392
Total BUSCO groups searched	3640	3640	3640

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file name: Rohu.genome.fa
sequences:          2872
total length: 1128029156 bp (945637473 bp excl N/X-runs)
GC level:          36.05 %
bases masked:  465289941 bp (41.25 %)
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	number of elements*	length occupied	percentage of sequence
Retroelements	123482	53424977 bp	4.74 %
SINEs:	0	0 bp	0.00 %
Penelope	0	0 bp	0.00 %
LINEs:	29838	13842585 bp	1.23 %
CRE/SLACS	0	0 bp	0.00 %
L2/CR1/Rex	15537	8265099 bp	0.73 %
R1/LOA/Jockey	981	643697 bp	0.06 %
R2/R4/NeSL	936	732043 bp	0.06 %
RTE/Bov-B	271	181676 bp	0.02 %
L1/CIN4	7978	1801119 bp	0.16 %
LTR elements:	93644	39582392 bp	3.51 %
BEL/Pao	1287	1138420 bp	0.10 %
Ty1/Copia	221	110739 bp	0.01 %
Gypsy/DIRS1	32714	19073624 bp	1.69 %
Retroviral	2443	1815904 bp	0.16 %
DNA transposons	79815	22485920 bp	1.99 %
hobo-Activator	2242	639067 bp	0.06 %
Tc1-IS630-Pogo	49209	16661924 bp	1.48 %
En-Spm	0	0 bp	0.00 %
MuDR-IS905	0	0 bp	0.00 %
PiggyBac	0	0 bp	0.00 %
Tourist/Harbinger	1794	259934 bp	0.02 %
Other (Mirage, P-element, Transib)	900	209002 bp	0.02 %
Rolling-circles	196	71055 bp	0.01 %
Unclassified:	1774260	361869982 bp	32.08 %
Total interspersed repeats:		437780879 bp	38.81 %
Small RNA:	0	0 bp	0.00 %
Satellites:	1	267 bp	0.00 %
Simple repeats:	504151	23839806 bp	2.11 %
Low complexity:	58354	3597934 bp	0.32 %

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\* most repeats fragmented by insertions or deletions  
have been counted as one element

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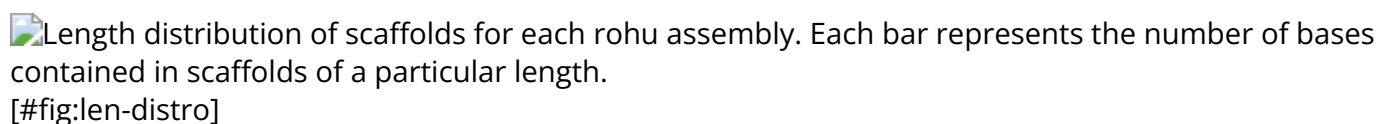
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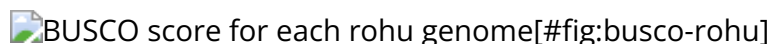
## Comparative genomics

### Labeo Rohita

**Table 6:** Assembly stats for rohu genomes

Name	n	n:500	L50	min	N75	N50	N25	E-size	max	sum
CIFA	13623	13617	182	500	774698	2006958	4279019	2905260	15.15e6	1.427e9
HRRL	13660	13650	182	500	774698	2006958	4279019	2905216	15.15e6	1.427e9
IGBB	2869	2869	13	1479	28.79e6	32.5e6	36.06e6	30.03e6	45.29e6	945.5e6

Length distribution of scaffolds for each rohu assembly. Each bar represents the number of bases contained in scaffolds of a particular length.  
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BUSCO score for each rohu genome[#fig:busco-rohu]

Dot-plots comparing sequence similarity between rohu genomes[#fig:dotplot-rohu]

### Cypriniformes

BUSCO score for each rohu genome[#fig:busco-carps]

Dot-plots comparing sequence similarity between rohu genomes[#fig:dotplot-carps]

**Table 7:** Summary statistics per species from OrthoFinder.

	Number of Genes	Genes in Orthogroups	Unassigned Genes	Orthogroups Containing Species	Species-specific Orthogroups	Genes in Species-specific Orthogroups
Anabarrilius grahami	23906	21942 (91.8%)	1964 (8.2%)	15217 (51.5%)	180	888 (3.7%)
Carassius auratus	96703	93988 (97.2%)	2715 (2.8%)	21896 (74.2%)	472	1775 (1.8%)
Cyprinus carpio	80686	78684 (97.5%)	2002 (2.5%)	21584 (73.1%)	287	964 (1.2%)
Danio rerio	52829	51951 (98.3%)	878 (1.7%)	20671 (70.0%)	392	2184 (4.1%)



	Number of Genes	Genes in Orthogroups	Unassigned Genes	Orthogroups Containing Species	Species-specific Orthogroups	Genes in Species-specific Orthogroups
Danionella translucida	35381	32943 (93.1%)	2438 (6.9%)	19073 (64.6%)	540	1941 (5.5%)
Labeo rohita	31274	29904 (95.6%)	1370 (4.4%)	18740 (63.5%)	161	1581 (5.1%)
Onychostoma macrolepis	24754	24483 (98.9%)	271 (1.1%)	19276 (65.3%)	137	603 (2.4%)
Pimephales promelas	47578	45412 (95.4%)	2166 (4.6%)	19884 (67.4%)	506	1826 (3.8%)
Puntigrus tetrazona	48681	48094 (98.8%)	587 (1.2%)	20582 (69.7%)	129	517 (1.1%)
Sinocyclocheilus anshuiensis	68474	66456 (97.1%)	2018 (2.9%)	21485 (72.8%)	114	344 (0.5%)
Sinocyclocheilus grahami	67410	63316 (93.9%)	4094 (6.1%)	22326 (75.6%)	338	793 (1.2%)
Sinocyclocheilus rhinoceros	68562	65831 (96.0%)	2731 (4.0%)	21884 (74.1%)	172	414 (0.6%)
Triplophysa tibetana	24310	23279 (95.8%)	1031 (4.2%)	18734 (63.5%)	125	480 (2.0%)

### *SNP discovery and population similarities among rohu fisheries*

*Labeo rohita* is an important aquaculture fish in many areas of south Asia [I don't know how to put in this reference FAO (2019) Food and Agricultural Organization. Yearbook of Fishery and Aquaculture Statistics 2017].

The high fecundity and relative ease of cultivation has made rohu successful in breeding programs, leading to the generation of a fast-growing strain called Jayanti Historically, rohu breeding and research has relied on low-throughput information, such as cloning individual genes of interest (reviewed in [36]) or microsatellite-based selective breeding [37]; however, recent years have seen increased interest in applying high-throughput methods to rohu breeding, such as SNP panels [38] [39], genotyping-by-sequencing [40], transcriptomics [38] [41], and degradomics [42]. Recently, a draft genome was published for *L. rohita* along with pooled resequencing from three individuals in 10 populations [43]; however, genetic diversity and divergence among the populations was not reported.

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