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**Title**      **Novel regulators of growth identified in the evolution of fin proportion in flying fish**

**S1 [001]      Abstract**

**S1 [002]**      Identifying the genetic foundations of trait variation and evolution is challenging as it is often difficult to parse meaningful signals from confounding signatures such as drift and epistasis.

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... of trait variation ...  
... and evolution is challenging ...  
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... such as drift ...  
... and epistasis.

**S1 [003]**      However, identification of the genetic loci underlying morphological and physiological traits can be honed through the use of comparative and complementary genetic approaches, whereby shared sets of genes that are repeatedly implicated across large evolutionary time periods as under selection can illuminate important pathways and epistatic relationships that function as novel regulators of trait development.

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... through the use ...  
... of comparative ...  
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... whereby shared sets ...  
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**S1 [005]** Through a phylogenomic analysis of genome-wide variation in 35 species of flying fishes and relatives, we identify genetic signatures in both coding and regulatory regions underlying the convergent evolution of increased paired fin size and aerial gliding behaviors, key innovations for flying fishes and flying halfbeaks.

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**S1 [006]** To refine our analysis, we intersected convergent phylogenomic signatures with mutants identified in distantly related zebrafish with altered fin size.

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**S1 [007]** Through these paired approaches, we identify a surprising role for an L-type amino acid transporter, lat4a, and the potassium channel, kcnh2a, in the regulation of fin proportion.

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**S1 [008]** We show that specific epistatic interaction between these genetic loci in zebrafish closely phenocopies the observed fin proportions of flying fishes.

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**S1 [009]** The congruence of experimental and phylogenomic findings point to a conserved, non-canonical signaling interaction that integrates bioelectric cues and amino acid transport in the establishment of relative size in development and evolution.

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... and evolution.

## **S2 [010] Introduction**

**S2 [011]** Changes to allometry, or the relative proportions of organs and tissues within organisms, is a common means for adaptive character change in evolution.

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... to allometry, ...  
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... and tissues ...  
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**S2 [012]** However, little is understood about how relative size is specified during development and shaped during evolution.

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**S2 [013]** Actinopterygian (ray-finned) fishes provide rich opportunities to study variation in proportion, as they are the most species-rich and diverse class of vertebrates with over 30,000 species [1].

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... [1].

**S2 [014]** The actinopterygian fin exhibits dramatic changes in size and shape that not only impacts movement and balance, but has been modified into more elaborate innovations, including lures, defensive spines and sucking disks.

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... and shape ...  
... that not ...  
... only impacts movement ...  
... and balance, ...  
... but has been modified ...  
... into more elaborate innovations, ...  
... including lures, ...  
... defensive spines ...  
... and sucking disks.

**S2 [015]** Not surprisingly, in many actinopterygian species, modification of the size and shape of the fin is a defining and ecologically important trait.

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... in many actinopterygian species, ...  
... modification ...  
... of the size ...  
... and shape ...  
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... and ecologically important trait.

**S2 [016]** Several actinopterygian lineages have independently evolved elongated, wing-like fins that enable gliding through the air [2].

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... that enable gliding ...  
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... [2].

**S2 [017]** Among the most accomplished aerial gliders are members of the family Exocoetidae (Beloniformes), or the “flying fishes”.

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