Phylogeny of the dragonfly genus *Erythemis* Hagen, 1861 (Anisoptera: Odonata)

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Who are *Erythemis*?

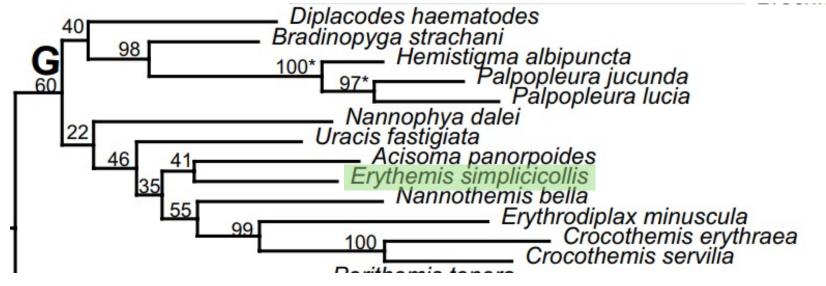
Ten species

- Erythemis attala (Selys in Sagra, 1857)
- Erythemis carmelita Williamson, 1923
- Erythemis collocata (Hagen, 1861)
- Erythemis credula (Hagen, 1861)
- Erythemis haematogastra (Burmeister, 1839)
- Erythemis mithroides (Brauer, 1900)
- Erythemis peruviana (Rambur, 1842)
- Erythemis plebeja (Burmeister, 1839)
- Erythemis simplicicollis (Say, 1840)
- Erythemis vesiculosa (Fabricius, 1775)



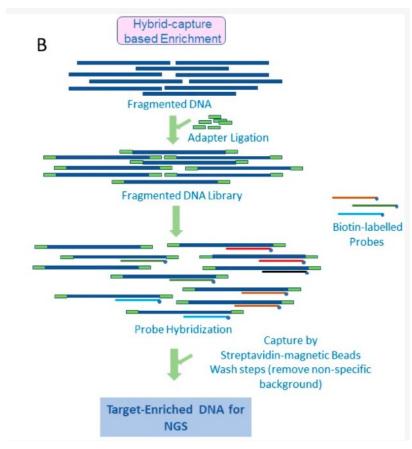
Phylogenetic state of *Erythemis*

- Many studies of Libellulidae only use 1-2 species of *Erythemis*
- Sanger loci
- Yet to have a solid genus-level phylogeny



Ware et al. (2007)

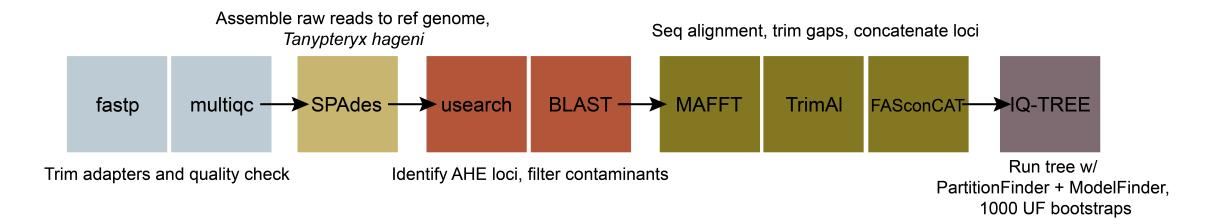
Anchored Hybrid Enrichment (AHE)



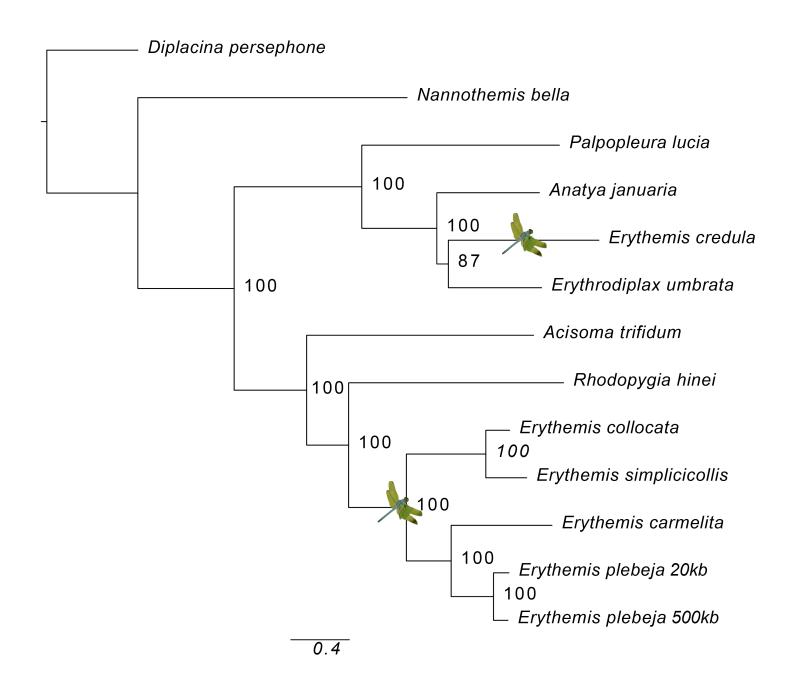
Singh et al. (2022)

- Genomic scale loci
- Contains whole genes with fast, medium, and slowly evolving portions – useful for alignment and phylo signal
- Odonate probe set developed by Bybee et al. (2021)
- I used mix of 500 kb (1000 loci) and 20kb (92 loci) probe sets

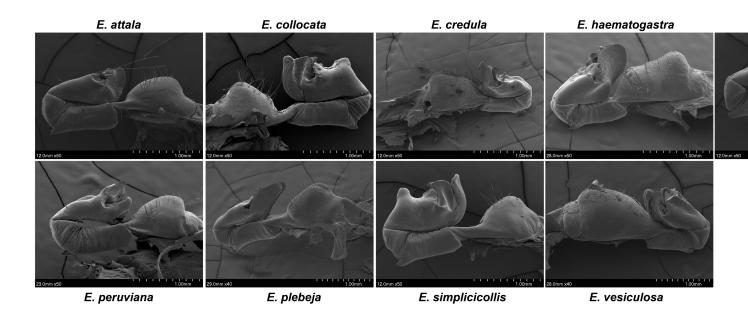
The pipeline



Adapted from Newton et al. (in progress) and Breinholt et al. (2018)



Future directions



Penes morphology

E. mithroides

- Abdomen thickness/flight style
- Fossil calibration