

Figure 2: Overview of the presence and length equality of IR annotations among all complete plastid genomes on GenBank. The plots of the upper row visualize the cumulative number of complete plastid genomes over the past 20 years that contain (light grey) or lack (dark grey) annotations for the IRs, separated by **(a)** angiosperms and **(b)** non-angiosperms. The plots in the center row visualize the cumulative number of complete plastid genomes over the past