

# Evolution of sex chromosomes in the order Aulopiformes

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# Abstract

In general, sex of fish is not so strongly controlled by the genetic sex determination system, because highly differentiated sex chromosomes are not observed in most fish species. The order Aulopiformes consists of both synchronous hermaphroditic and gonochoristic species. The synchronous hermaphroditic species tend to inhabit the deep-sea areas whereas the gonochoristic species inhabit shallow waters. There are a few cytogenetic reports that gonochoristic species have a heteromorphic sex chromosome (probably a part of ZW chromosomes) that is distinguishable from the autosomes under the microscope. On the other hand, hermaphroditic species do not appear to have heteromorphic chromosomes and they are known to have a special reproductive organ, ovotestis, which consists of both testis and ovary. Thus, the order Aulopiformes contains both sexualities.

This raises the immediate questions as follows: (1) Is the order Aulopiformes monophyletic or polyphyletic? If the former is true, is the ancestor of this order hermaphroditic or gonochoristic species? (2) Did the heteromorphic sex chromosome exist in the common ancestor? (3) Does a gonochoristic species really have an established ZW chromosome system? (4) Does a gonochoristic species have any sex chromosome-specific DNA sequence? To answer these questions, I conducted the following studies using fish in the order Aulopiformes.

First, I participated in a deep-sea trawling ship to collect a sufficient number of specimens, because hermaphroditic aulopiform species tend to

inhabit in the deep-sea areas. To elucidate the evolutionary process of the order Aulopiformes, I performed phylogenetic and cytogenetic analyses for the collected specimens. I found that hermaphroditic species were evolutionarily derived from gonochoristic species and that the common ancestor of aulopiform species must have had a female heteromorphic sex chromosome (W chromosome). I also suggest the possibility that heteromorphic sex chromosomes disappeared from the genome of hermaphroditic species during evolution.

Second, clarifying the number of diploid chromosomes, I found that large-scale chromosome rearrangements have occurred in evolution. To investigate the large-scale chromosome rearrangement in more detail, I estimated the genome sizes of gonochoristic and hermaphroditic species. The results indicated that the large-scale chromosome rearrangement in the aulopiform species have indeed occurred without any major changes in genome size.

Third, since the W chromosome is identified from all the gonochoristic aulopiform species investigated, the ZW chromosome system might have been conserved among the gonochoristic species. But, I could not identify the Z chromosome in gonochoristic aulopiform species studied under the microscope, because morphological differences were not clear between Z chromosome and the autosomes. Thus, I employed Fluorescence *in-situ* hybridization (FISH) to identify Z chromosome in *Aulopus japonicus*. Using 5S rDNA as a probe, I was able to identify Z chromosome clearly in this species. My FISH analysis indicates that this species has highly

differentiated Z and W sex chromosomes both in size and the number of repetitive sequences.

Finally, I made an attempt to isolate any female-specific sequences in *Aulopus japonicus* by use of 5S rDNA. In general, 5S rDNA and its adjacent non-transcribed intergenic spacer (NTS) form a 5S rDNA cluster. I conducted PCR amplification and sequencing of the 5S rDNA cluster in this species. I then found that the 5S rDNA sequences existed in both female and male individuals. However, I found that there were two different NTS types, “type A” and “type B”, which were highly divergent from each other. To confirm the existence of both “type A” and “type B” of NTS in this species, I performed PCR amplification of the NTS regions using “type A” and “type B”-specific primers, indicating that male and female individuals, indeed, possess both of “type A” and “type B” sequences. Although the precise locations of the “type A” and “type B” clusters on Z and W chromosomes are unknown, I pointed out a possibility that there is an intervening sequence between the “type A” and “type B” clusters. If it is the case, the intervening sequence can be amplified by PCR. Hence, I performed PCR amplification using NTS sequences primer in the hope that the intervening sequence may contain female-specific DNA segments. As a result, I could successfully amplify a 6kb-long fragment of female specificity at last. Sequencing the fragment, I found that it contained a “mapk-like” sequence.

In conclusion, although the previous studies have implied that fish do not have the highly differentiated sex chromosomes in general, the present study clearly indicated that gonochoristic aulopiform species have the highly

differentiated sex chromosomes, leading me to the proposal that this order of fish may be comparable to birds and mammals in the view point of the evolutionary process of the sex chromosomes.

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# Chapter 1

## Introduction

### 1.1 Evolutionary study of the sex chromosomes in fish species and other vertebrates

The XX female / XY male system is one of several sex determining systems in vertebrates. The other systems include the female heterogamety, in which a male has two copies of Z chromosome and a female has a single Z and a small heteromorphic W chromosome. Reptiles, amphibians and fishes do not have cytologically distinguishable sex chromosomes, and sex may be determined either by genes located somewhere in the genome or even by an environmental stimulation (Graves and Reed 1992).

For the fish species in particular, there is no simple model of the chromosomal sex determination system. Both of the XY and ZW chromosome systems have been reported in some species, and the XYY and ZWW sex chromosome systems have been demonstrated in others (Uyeno and Miller 1971; Filho et al. 1980). Moreover, the occurrences of their sex chromosome systems do not correspond to their phylogenetic relationships in most cases. For instance, both of the XY and ZW chromosome systems are

observed in each lineage of Cypriniformes, Cyprinodontiformes and Syngnathiformes (Ojima 1987). Thus, it has been considered that the sex chromosome systems of fish are less conservative than those of mammals and birds at least at the cytogenetic level.

It has been already known that the sex-determining genes are located on the sex chromosomes in mammals and birds (Graves and Shetty 2001). Therefore, to study the process and mechanism of sex chromosome evolution in vertebrates, we can compare the sex chromosomes of mammals with those of birds at the cytogenetic and molecular levels (Nanda et al. 1999). There are reports that several genes are located on the sex chromosomes in fish species (Nakayama et al. 1994; Reed et al. 1995; Delvin et al. 1998; Forbes et al. 1994). However, we cannot compare these fish with other vertebrates (mammals and birds), because, there is no guarantee that the sequence has been conserved in the same lineage owing to the instability of sex chromosomes of fish. The question, then, is whether or not we can find a fish species that has conservative sex chromosomes and sex specific genes.

There are two reports that describe cytogenetic features in the order Aulopiformes (Chen and Ebeling, 1974; Nishikawa and Sakamoto 1978). Chen and Ebeling (1974) investigated a cytogenetic feature in one aulopiform species (*Synodus lucioceps*). They observed a heteromorphic chromosome in one specimen of this species. But, they did not check whether the specimen was male or female. Nishikawa and Sakamoto (1978) have observed that two aulopus species (*Saurida elongata* and *Saurida*

*undosquamis*) have female heteromorphic sex chromosomes. The three heteromorphic chromosomes have the same morphological feature at the cytogenetic level. Therefore, it is possible that the heteromorphic chromosome is conserved among gonochoristic aulopiform species. Thus, aulopiform species provide me with useful information to study sex chromosome evolution of vertebrates.

## 1.2 Sexuality and sex chromosomes in the order Aulopiformes

Various species of fish inhabit in a large variety of ecological habitats. Each species has acquired its own reproductive strategy to adapt to its habitats. Sexuality in particular represents an important aspect of the reproductive strategies. In the fish species, it is known that various types of sexuality exist such as synchronous hermaphroditism, protandrous and protogynous hermaphroditism and gonochorism (Baroiller et al. 1999). Such a large variety of sexuality was not observed in other vertebrates.

The order Aulopiformes consists of synchronous hermaphroditic and gonochoristic species. The synchronous hermaphroditic species tends to inhabit the deep-sea, whereas the gonochoristic species inhabits shallow waters.

There are a few cytogenetic reports that gonochoristic species have a heteromorphic sex chromosome (probably part of ZW chromosomes) that is

distinguishable from the autosomes under the microscope (Chen and Ebeling, 1974; Nishikawa and Sakamoto 1978). It is known that hermaphroditic species have a special reproductive organ, ovotestis, which consists of both testis and ovary (Nakazono and Kuwamura 1987). Since the order Aulopiformes contains of both sexualities as mentioned above, we should consider whether the heteromorphic sex chromosomes of the three species mentioned above (1.1) are derived from a common ancestor or not. If the occurrence of heteromorphic sex chromosomes does not correspond to the phylogenetic relationships, the sex chromosome of aulopiform species also have not been conserved as other sex chromosomes of fish species. If the heteromorphic sex chromosomes are derived from a common ancestor, this order probably gives us very interesting opportunity in studying evolution of sex chromosomes, because we can compare this order with other vertebrate species.

### 1.3 Aims of this study

The order Aulopiformes has interesting points in both sexuality and sex chromosomes. In this study, especially I focused on sex chromosome evolution in the order Aulopiformes, because it seems that we can compare this order with other vertebrates in an evolutionary process and a mechanism of sex chromosomes. Thus, in this study, I have two aims.

The first aim of this study is to elucidate the evolution of the sex chromosome in the order Aulopiformes. To reveal sex chromosome

evolution in this order, I conducted phylogenetic and cytogenetic analyses. I also used several molecular techniques to reveal structure of the sex chromosome and tried to identify sex specific sequences in aulopiform species.

The last aim is to compare these species with other vertebrate species in sex chromosomes at the molecular level and to consider sex chromosome evolution in vertebrates.

# Chapter 2

## Sample Collection and preparation of chromosome slides

### 2.1 Introduction

It is important to prepare good slides of metaphase chromosomes in order to observe sex chromosomes under the microscope. It is also necessary to obtain a sufficient number of specimens to conduct reliable experiments. In the case of dealing with mammals and birds, it is easier to obtain a sufficient number of specimens, because the tools and techniques have been well developed.

But, in the case of deep-sea fish, the basic technique is not well established for sample collection and preparation of chromosome slides. Indeed, although several deep-sea fishes were investigated at the cytogenetic levels (Chen 1969), there has been no report on the study of sex chromosomes at the molecular level. For hermaphroditic aulopiform species that inhabit in the deep-sea, I have established the basic technique and conditions in sample collection and preparation of chromosome slides. In this chapter I will explain the technique.

## 2.2 Location of sampling and equipment of the trawl ship

Aulopiform species inhabit in the Suruga Bay, Japan. In order to collect samples of these species, I participated in trawling on ship in two areas (depth 50-200m) in the Suruga Bay several times (Fig 2.1). The trawl ship was equipped with large winches (Fig 2.2) and trawl nets (Fig 2.3). Using these equipments, a large amount of fishes were collected (Fig 2.4), from which I could select appropriate species for my study. To collect shallow water species, I worked with local fishermen in Izu and Wakayama Peninsular, Japan. Some of these samples are kept in an aquarium system with sterilization lamps and a cooling machine in the lab. Figs 2.5 and 2.6 show pictures of the aulopiform species used in this study.

## 2.3 Chromosome preparation by using cell culture technique

In the case of deep-sea fish, it is difficult to keep living specimens for a long time. Thus, to prepare chromosome slides, I performed cell culture for *Chlorophthalmus albatrossis* as follows. I first removed the pectoral and pelvic fins from the right side of the fish body on the trawling ship. These tissues were kept in physiological saline (NaCl: 8g, KCl: 0.45g, CaCl<sub>2</sub>: 0.2g NaHCO<sub>3</sub>: 0.02g per 1 liter distilled water) at 4°C. Coming back to the laboratory, I performed aseptic manipulation for the tissues.

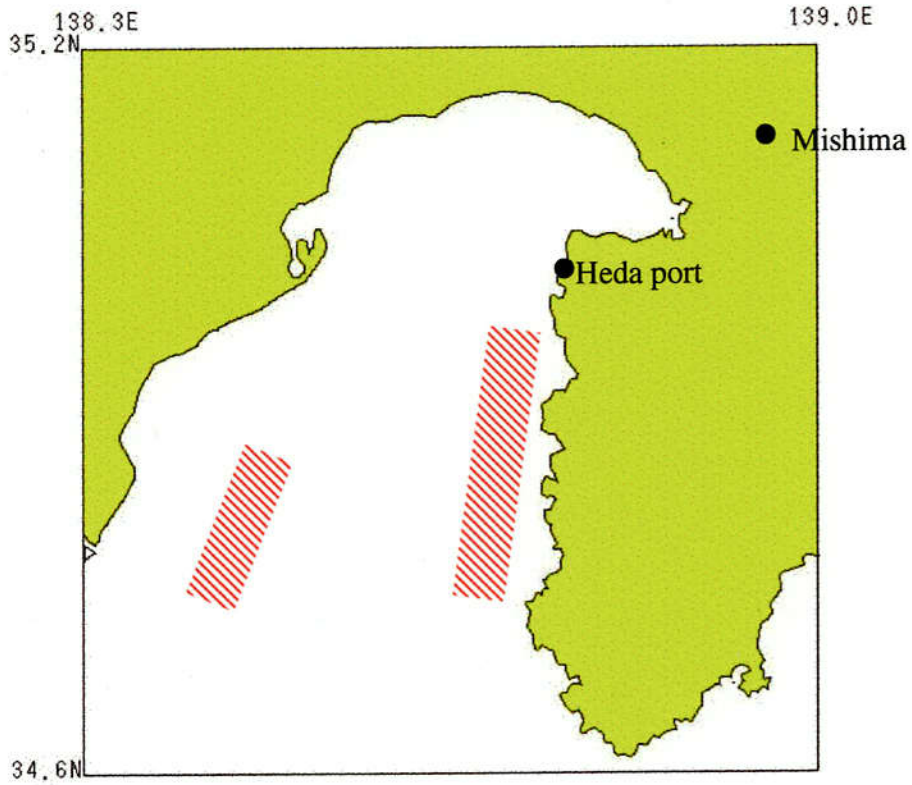



Fig. 2.1 Map of sampling area within the Suruga bay.

 indicated sampling areas.



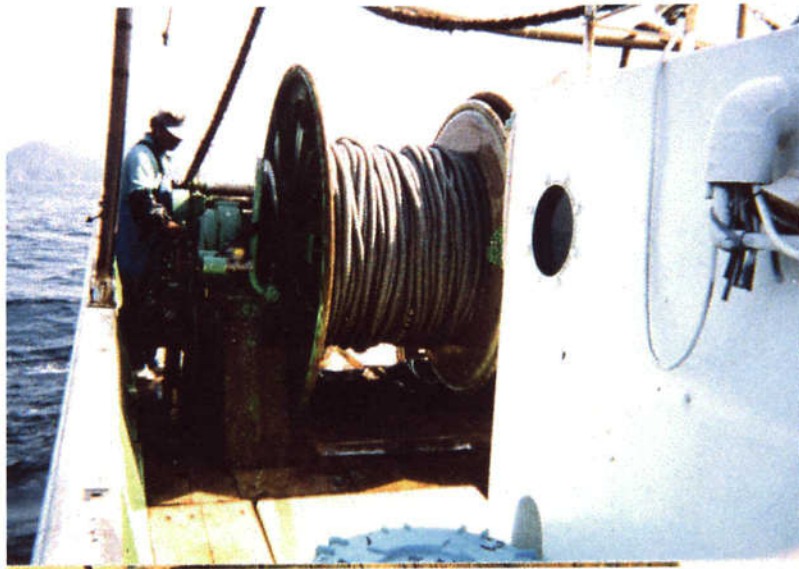


Fig. 2.2. The winch for deep-sea trawling.



Fig. 2.3 The trawl net for deep-sea trawling.



Fig. 2.4 Captured fish species by deep-sea trawling.



*Chlorophtalmus nigromarginatus*



*Chlorophtalmus albatrossis*



*Chlorophtalmus* sp.

Fig. 2.5 The collected samples of hermaphroditic aulopiform species.





Fig. 2.6 The collected samples of gonochoristic aulopiform species.

These tissues were then washed by sodium hypochlorite solution and rinsed by phosphate buffered saline solution (NaCl: 8g, KCl: 0.2g, NaHPO<sub>4</sub>: 1.15g, KH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> per 1 liter distilled water) three times. The tissues were next cultured on 3cm culture dishes with the Alpha Modification of Eagle's medium (Alpha-MEM) at 22 - 24 °C. The Alpha-MEM contained streptomycin sulfate (0.1g), penicillin (hundred thousand unit) and fetal bovine serum (10 %) in 1 liter of the medium.

However, these cells could not survive more than two weeks and could not grow up to a sufficient number of cells for this study (Fig. 2.7).

## 2.4 *In vivo* chromosome preparation

### on board of the trawl ship

Since I could not obtain a sufficient number of cells in the cell culture, I conducted chromosome preparations *in vivo* on a trawl ship.

To increase the number of metaphase cells, I performed an intraperitoneal injection of colchicine solution in collected specimens on boat. To maintain the specimens intact, I kept them in ice during transfer from the sampling area to the laboratory. At the laboratory, I performed the following experimental procedures at a low temperature. First, the kidney was removed and minced. Then, kidney cell suspension was treated by hypotonic solution (75 mM KCl) for 30 minute, and fixed with methanol and acetic acid (3 :1 volume). Chromosome slides were finally prepared.

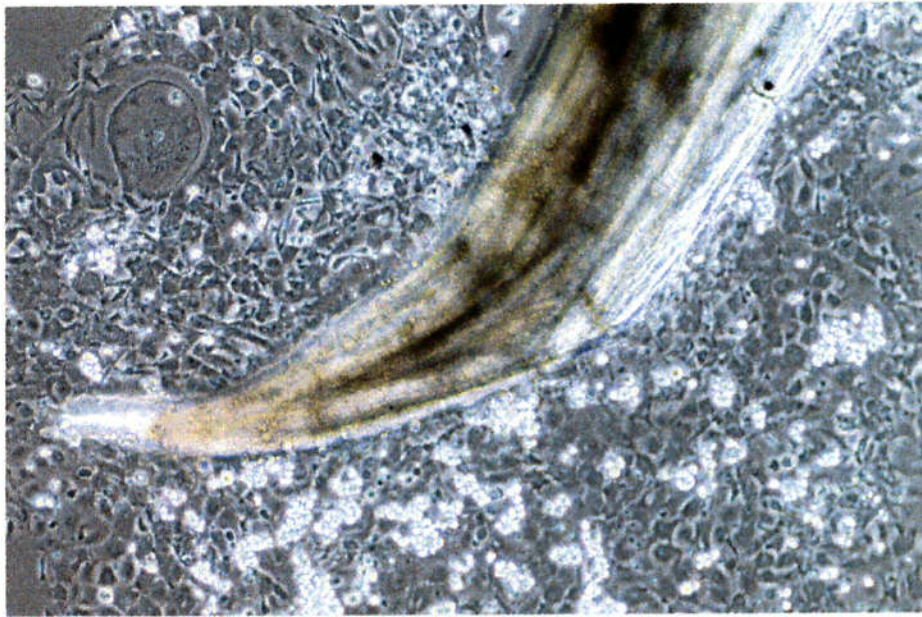


Fig. 2.7 Cultured epithelial cells and fibroblasts of *Chlorophthalmus albatrossis*.

To increase the number of chromosome slides on boat, I also devised a tool. It consists of a small centrifugal machine, a 20 V battery, an electrical transformer, pipettes and some reagents (Fig 2.8). Using the tool, I could conduct the experimental procedures, as described above, on boat. The *in vivo* technique provided me with suitable materials for the experiments.



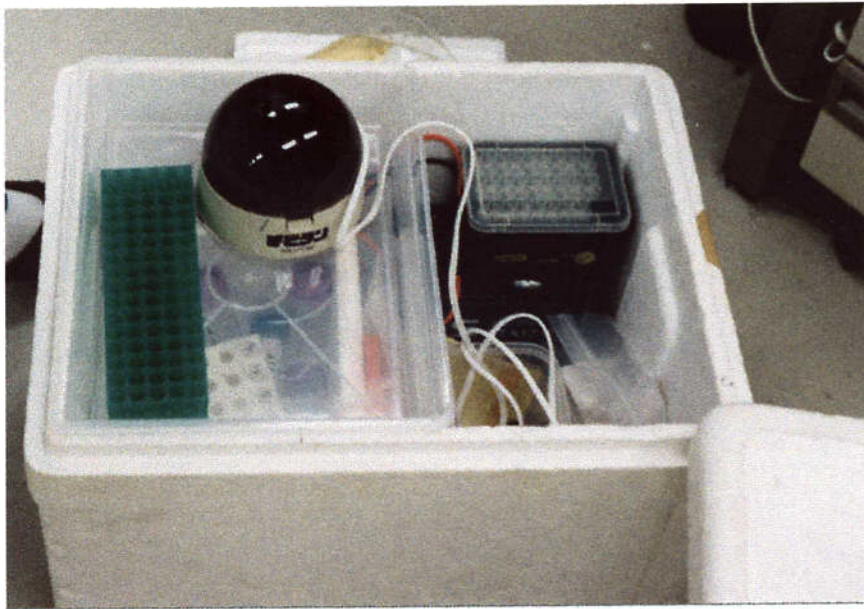


Fig. 2.8 The implement to prepare chromosome slides. The implement consists of a small centrifugal machine, a 20 V battery, an electrical transformer, pipettes and some reagents.

# Chapter 3

## Phylogenetic and cytogenetic analyses in the order Aulopiformes

### 3.1 Introduction

According to Ohno's hypothesis (1967), heteromorphic sex chromosomes such as XY and ZW chromosomes might have emerged from autosomes. This hypothesis is thought to be applicable to vertebrates in general. Although these kinds of heteromorphic sex chromosomes are widely observed in vertebrates, some species lack such chromosomes. There are two mutually exclusive explanations. One is that in such species, heteromorphic sex chromosomes have not appeared yet in evolution. The alternative explanation is that heteromorphic sex chromosomes have secondarily disappeared. There is little literature in which the disappearance process of heteromorphic sex chromosomes is discussed, because it is usually difficult to investigate the disappearance process particularly in higher vertebrates. Thus, it is of particular interest to know which explanation is more reasonable in order to understand the evolutionary process of sex chromosomes. Fish is one of the most

interesting groups to study such an evolutionary issue, because fish lack a firmly established system of sex chromosomes (Ohno, 1974). Hence, I decided to investigate the evolution of sex chromosomes in fish.

The order Aulopiformes consists of 13 families, in which 42 genera are composed of 219 species (Nelson, 1994). This order has a characteristic feature of synchronous hermaphroditic and gonochoristic species: The former tends to inhabit the deep-sea and the latter inhabits shallow waters. There are a few cytogenetic reports that gonochoristic species have heteromorphic sex chromosomes that are distinguishable from autosomes under the microscope (Chen and Ebeling 1974; Nishikawa and Sakamoto 1978). In morphological and ecological studies, Smith (1975) proposed that the gonochoristic group of Aulopiformes was evolutionarily derived from hermaphroditic species. Smith's proposal appears to be supported by the fact that hermaphroditic species are dominant in number while gonochoristic species are found in fewer numbers. According to Smith's proposal, it is assumed that heteromorphic sex chromosomes are derived from the genome of hermaphroditic species. However, Smith's proposal should be evaluated more carefully in which there is novaryid evidence that a minor group was derived from a dominant group.

Therefore, it is important to examine a phylogenetic relationship between gonochoristic and hermaphroditic groups of Aulopiformes by both molecular and cytogenetic methods, because it gives us a unique opportunity to elucidate the evolution of sex chromosomes. Thus, I conducted molecular phylogenetic and cytogenetic analyses of six species in the order

Aulopiformes.

## 3.2. Materials and methods

### 3.2.1 Sample collection and gonadal sexing

I collected 50 individual samples in six species of the order Aulopiformes. Two species, *Chlorophthalmus albatrossis* and *Chlorophthalmus* sp. were trawled in deep basins of Suruga gulf in Shizuoka prefecture, Japan. Four species, *Saurida elongata*, *Synodus ulae*, *Synodus hoshinonis* and *Trachinocephalus myops*, were captured off Wakayama prefecture, Japan. All of the samples were sexed by macroscopic examination of the gonads.

### 3.2.2 Phylogenetic analysis

I determined the nucleotide sequences of the complete mitochondrial cytochrome b gene for three synchronous hermaphroditic species (*Chlorophthalmus albatrossis* and *Chlorophthalmus* sp. *Chlorophthalmus nigromarginatu*) and five gonochoristic species (*Saurida* sp. *Saurida elongata*, *Synodus ulae*, *Synodus hoshinonis*, and *Trachinocephalus myops*). Total blood was diluted in TNES-urea buffer (Asahida et al. 1996). After several days to weeks at room temperature, 20 – 60  $\mu$ l proteinase K was added and the solution was incubated for one to four hours at 60°C. This

was followed by two phenol-chloroform and two chloroform extraction. After precipitation with two volumes of ethanol, the pellet was rinsed in 70% ethanol, moderately dried and dissolved in TE buffer (10mM Tris-HCl [pH 8.0], 1mM EDTA).

Cytochrome b gene regions were amplified by polymerase chain reaction(PCR). The primers used were AJG (CAAAAACCATCGTTGTAA-TTCAACT), H5 (GAATTYTRGCTTTGGGAG), *eso-f-472* (YTDTCYGCMTGCCMTACGT), *eso-R-768* (RTTVGCBGGSGARAAGTT), *eso-r-286* (CCBCGDGCRATGTGHATATA) and *eso-r-960* (ARCGDGGMYTWAYWTTCCG). The thermal cycle profile was as follows; denaturation for 10 sec at 94°C, annealing for 10 sec at 48-52°C, and extension for 12 sec at 72°C. PCR products were purified by filtration kit (Mo Bio Laboratories) and were used for direct cycle sequencing with dye-labeled terminators (Applied Biosystems). The primers used were the same as those for PCR. Labeled fragments were analyzed on a Model 310 DNA sequencer (Applied Biosystems).

Sequence alignment was performed by ClustalX (Thompson et al. 1997), and this alignment was improved by visual inspection (Fig 3.1). The total number of nucleotide sites for the alignment was 1137, which contains a gap of three nucleotides in the two hermaphroditic species. A phylogenetic tree was reconstructed by the neighbor-joining (NJ) method (Saitou and Nei, 1987). In the tree, I used a published sequence data of aulopiform species (NC\_002674 *Aulopus japonicus*). I also used 10 teleost fishes as outgroups. DDBJ/EMBL/Genbank accession numbers for the representative sequences

Salvelinus alpinus	ATGGCCAACCTCCGAAAAACCCACCCACTCCTAAAAATTGCTAATGACGC
Brachymystax lenok	ATGGCTAACCTCCGAAAAACCCACCCCTCCTAAAAATTGCTAATGACGC
Salmo salar	ATGGCCAACCTCCGAAAAACTCACCCTCCTAAAAATTGCTAATGACGC
Oncorhynchus keta	ATGGCCAACCTCCGAAAAACCCACCCCTCCTAAAAATCGCTAATGACGC
Gadus morhua	ATGGCCAGCCTTCGAAAAACCCATCCAATCCTAAAAATTGCTAATGACGC
Amphilophus alfari	ATGGCCAGCCTCCGAAAAACTCACCCTCCTAAAAATCGAAATGACGC
Paraneetroplus siebold	ATGGCCAACCTCCGAAAAACCCACCCCTCCTAAAAATCGAAATGACGC
Tomocichla tuba	ATGGCCAGCCTCCGAAAAACCCACCCCTCCTAAAAATCGAAATGACGC
Poeciliopsis monacha	ATGGCTAGCCTACGAAAAATCCACCCCTACTAAAAATTGCAAAACACGC
Saurida elongata	ATGGCCATCCTCCGAAAGACACACCCCTCATGAAAAATTGCAAAACACGC
Chlorophthalmus albatrossis	ATGGCC—CTCCGAAAAACCCACCTTTATTGAAAAATGCAAAACACGC
Chlorophthalmus sp	ATGGCC—CTCCGAAAAACTCATCCCTACTGAAAAATGCAAAACACGC
Trachinocephalus myops	ATGGCAAGCCTGCGAAAAACCCACCCCTACTAAAGATTGCAAAACGCGC
Synodus ulae	ATGGCAAGCCTACGTA AAAACCCACCCCTCCTAAAAATGCAAAACGCGC
Synodus hoshinonis	ATGGCAAGCCTACGTA AAAACCCACCCCTCCTAAAAATGCAAAACGCGC
Sebastes umbrosus	ATGGCAAGTCTACGAAAGACACACCCCTCCTAAAAATGCAAAACAATGC
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Brachymystax lenok	ACTAGTTGACCTCCAGCACCTCTAATATCTCAGTCTGATGAAACTTTG
Salmo salar	ACTAGTCGATCTCCAGCACCATTAACATCTCAGTTTGATGAAACTTTG
Oncorhynchus keta	ACTAGTCGACCTCCAGCACCATTAACATCTCAGTCTGATGAAACTTTG
Gadus morhua	ATTAGTTGATCTCCCGCCCCCTCAATATCTCAGTATGATGAAATTTTG
Amphilophus alfari	ACTAGTCGACCTCCCGCCCCCTCAACATCTCTGTTTGATGAAACTTTG
Paraneetroplus siebold	ACTAGTTGATCTCCACGCCCCCTCAACATCTCAATCTGATGAAATTTG
Tomocichla tuba	ACTAGTTGACCTTCTACACCTCAACATCTCCGTTTGATGAAACTTTG
Poeciliopsis monacha	ATTAGTAGATCTCCCGCCCCGTTAATATCTCCGCTGATGAAACTTTG
Saurida elongata	ACTAGTAGATCTCCCGCCCCCTCAATATTTTCAGCCCTATGAAACTTTG
Chlorophthalmus albatrossis	CCTAGTTGACCTCCCGCCCCCTGAAATTTTCAGCTTGATGAAACTTTG
Chlorophthalmus sp	TTTGTTGACCTTCTGCTCCCTTAACATCTCAGCATGGTAAACTTTG
Trachinocephalus myops	ACTTGTTGACCTCCCGCACCCCTCAACATCTCTGATGGTGAACTTTG
Synodus ulae	CCTAGTTGATCTCCAGCCCCCTCAATATCTCGGCTTGATGAAATTTTG
Synodus hoshinonis	ACTGGTTGACCTACCAGCACCATCAACATTTCCGCTGATGAAATTTTG
Sebastes umbrosus	CCTAGTTGACCTACCAGCCCCCTCAATATTTTCAGTGTGATGAAACTTTG
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Brachymystax lenok	GATCACTCCTAGGCCTATGTTTAGCCACCCAAATCTCACCAGACTCTTC
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Saurida elongata	GATCTCTCCTAGGCCTTTGCCTAATCACCAGATCGTTACAGGACTCTTC
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Chlorophthalmus sp	GTTCCCTGCTTGGGCTATGCTGGCCACACAAATCTTACCGGCTATTT
Trachinocephalus myops	GCTCTTTATTGGGCTTTGCTTAGCGACTCAGATTCTGACTGGCTCTTT
Synodus ulae	GGTCCTTACTAGGCTTATGCCTGGCCACCCAAATCTTACAGGCTTGTTC
Synodus hoshinonis	GGTCCTCCTAGGCCTATGCTTAGCGACCCAAATCTTACAGGCTTATTC
Sebastes umbrosus	GCTCTCTTACTAGGACTCTGCTTAATTAATCACCCTCCTCACAGGACTATTT
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Fig 3.1 Aligned DNA sequences from 1137 bp of the cytochrome *b* .

Salvelinus alpinus	CTAGCCATACACTACACCTCCGATATTTCAACAGCTTTTTCTCTGTGTG
Brachymystax lenok	CTAGCCATGCACTATACCTCTGACATTTCAACAGCTTTTTCTCCGTCTG
Salmo salar	CTAGCCATACACTACACCTCCGATATCTCAACAGCTTTTTCTCTGTGTTG
Oncorhynchus keta	CTAGCCATGCACTACACCTCCGACATTTCAACAGCTTTTTCTCTGTCTG
Gadus morhua	CTAGCCATACACTATACCTCAGACATCGAGACAGCCTTCTCATCCGTAGT
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Paraneetroplus siebold	CTTGCAATACACTATACCTCCGACATCGCAACAGCCTTTTCATCTGTTGC
Tomocichla tuba	CTTGCAATACACTACACTTCCGACATCGCAACAGCCTTTTCATCCGTAC
Poeciliopsis monacha	TTAGCAATACACTACACCTCCGATATCTCTATAGCATTTTCATCCGTGGC
Saurida elongata	CTAGCTATACACTATACCTCCGATGTTGCTACTGCTTTCTCCTCCGTCCG
Chlorophthalmus albatrossis	TTGGCTATACATTACACTTCCGACATCGCGACTGCCTTCTCTCCGTAAC
Chlorophthalmus sp	CTCGCTATGCACTACACCTCTGACATCGCAACAGCCTTCTCTCAGTCAC
Trachinocephalus myops	CTTGCTATGCACTATACCTCTGACGTTGCCACCGCTTTTTCTCCGTAC
Synodus ulae	TTAGCCATGCATTATACCTCTGACATTGCAACAGCCTTCTCATCAGTAAC
Synodus hoshinonis	CTAGCTATACATTACACTTCTGATATCGCCACAGCCTTTTCATCCGTTAC
Sebastes umbrosus	TTAGCCATACACTACACCTCTGATATTGCTACAGCTTTTTCTCCGTTGC
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Salvelinus alpinus	CCATATCTGCCGAGATGTAAGTTACGGCTGACTCATCCGGAATATCCACG
Brachymystax lenok	CCATATCTGTGCGAGCGTTAGTTACGGCTGACTTATCCGAAATATCCACG
Salmo salar	CCACATTTGCCGAGATGTTAGCTATGGCTGACTCATCCGTAACATTCCAG
Oncorhynchus keta	CCACATCTGCCGAGATGTTAGCTACGGCTGACTAATTCGAAACATCCACG
Gadus morhua	CCACATCTGTCGTGATGTAACACTACGGCTGACTAATTCGGAATATACATG
Amphilophus alfari	CCACATCTGTGCGAGCGTAAATTTAGGCTGACTTATCCGCAACATGCACG
Paraneetroplus siebold	CCACATCTGTGCGAGATGTAACACTACGGCTGATTAATCCGCAACATACACG
Tomocichla tuba	CCACATCTGCCGAGATGTTAACTATGGCTGACTAATCCGCAACATGCACG
Poeciliopsis monacha	ACACATTTGCCGAGACGTCAACTACGGATGACTAATCCGCAATATACATG
Saurida elongata	CCACATCTGCCGTGACGTAACACTACGGCTGAATGATCCGGAATCTACACG
Chlorophthalmus albatrossis	TCATATCTGCCGGACGTAACTACGGCTGGCTAATCCGAAATATGCACG
Chlorophthalmus sp	CCATATTTGCCGGGACGTAAATTTAGGTTGACTGATCCGAAACATGCATG
Trachinocephalus myops	TCATATTTGCCGAGACGTCAACTACGGCTGGTTGATTCGGAATATGCATG
Synodus ulae	ACACATCTGCCGTGACGTAACACTATGGCTGGCTCATCCGAAATATACATG
Synodus hoshinonis	TCACATTTGCCGGGACGTAAACTATGGCTGACTAATCCGAAACATACACG
Sebastes umbrosus	CCACATTTGCCGGGACGTAAATTTACGGGTGATTATCCGAAATCTTCACG
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Salvelinus alpinus	CTAACGGAGCATCTTTCTTTTATCTGTATTTATACATATCGCCCGA
Brachymystax lenok	CTAACGGAGCATCCTTCTTTTATCTGTATTTATATGCACATCGCCCGA
Salmo salar	CTAACGGAGCATCTTTCTTTTATCTGTATTTATATACACATCGCCCGA
Oncorhynchus keta	CTAACGGAGCATCTTTCTTTTATTTGATTTATATACATATCGCCCGG
Gadus morhua	CTAATGGTGCCTCTTTCTTTTATTTGCTTTATATGCACATTGCCCGA
Amphilophus alfari	CCAACGGCGCATCCTTCTTTTATCTGCATCTACCTTACATTGGCCGA
Paraneetroplus siebold	CCAACGGCGCATCCTTTTCTTTTATCTGCATTTACCTCCACATGGCCGA
Tomocichla tuba	CCAACGGCGCATCCTTTTCTTTTATCTGCATTTACCTCCACATCGCCCGA
Poeciliopsis monacha	CCAACGGAGCCTCCTTCTTTTATCTGCATTTACCTTACATCGGACGG
Saurida elongata	CTAACGGAGCTTCTTCTTTTATTTGATTTATATTACATTGCACGC
Chlorophthalmus albatrossis	CTAACGGAGCATCCTTCTTTTATTTGATCTATATGCACATCGCACGA
Chlorophthalmus sp	CCAATGGAGCATCCTTTTCTTTATTTGATTTATATGCACATCGCACGA
Trachinocephalus myops	CCAACGGGGCCTCCTTCTTTTATCTGCATTTATATGCACATCGCCCGC
Synodus ulae	CCAACGGTGCATCCTTTTCTTTTATTTGATTTATATACACATTGCTCGG
Synodus hoshinonis	CCAATGGGGCTTCTTTTCTTTTATTTGATTTACATGCATGTCGCCCGA
Sebastes umbrosus	CCAACGGTGCATCCTTCTTTTGTATGCATCTATGCCACATTGGCCCG
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Fig 3.1 (continued)

*Salvelinus alpinus* GGACTCTACTACGGGTCCTACCTATATAAAGAAACCTGAAATATTGGAGT  
*Brachymystax lenok* GGACTCTACTACGGATCCTATTTATATAAAGAAACCTGAAATATTGGAGT  
*Salmo salar* GGACTTTATTATGGTTCCTATCTATATAAAGAAACCTGAAATATCGGAGT  
*Oncorhynchus keta* GGACTTTATTACGGATCCTACCTGTACAAAGAAACCTGGAATATCGGAGT  
*Gadus morhua* GGTCTCTATTATGGTTCCTATCTTTTTGTAGAGACATGAAACATCGGGGT  
*Amphilophus alfari* GGGTTATACTACGGCTCCTACCTTTACAAAGAAACATGAAACGTTGGAGT  
*Paraneetroplus siebold* GGACTATACTATGGCTCCTACCTCTATAAAGAAACATGAAATGTAGGAGT  
*Tomocichla tuba* GGGTTATACTACGGCTCTTACCTCTATAAAGAAACATGAAACGTCGGAGT  
*Poeciliopsis monacha* GGCTTATACTACGGCTCTTACCTCTACAAAGAAACATGAAACATGGAGT  
*Saurida elongata* GGCTTATACTACGGGTCCTTATCTTTACATGGAGACCTGAAACATCGGAGT  
*Chlorophthalmus albatrossis* GGGCTTTATTATGGCTCATATTTGTACAAGAAACATGAAACGTAGGTGT  
*Chlorophthalmus sp* GGACTTTACTACGGCTCATACCTCTATAAAGAAACCTGAAACGTTGGCGT  
*Trachinocephalus myops* GGCTTTACTATGGTTCATACCTTTATAAGGAGACCTGGAACGTAGGTGT  
*Synodus ulae* GGACTGTACTATGGGTCATACCTCTACATAGAGACCTGAAATATCGGGGT  
*Synodus hoshinonis* GGCTTATACTACGGCTCATACCTCTACATAGAAACCTGAAATATTGGTGT  
*Sebastes umbrosus* GGACTTTACTACGGCTCATACCTCTATAAAGAAACATGAAACATCGGGGT  
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*Salvelinus alpinus* AGTATTACTACTTCTAACTATAATGACTGCCTTTGTAGGCTACGTTCTTC  
*Brachymystax lenok* AGTACTACTACTTCTCACCATGATAAAGTGCCTTTGTGGCTATGTCCTTC  
*Salmo salar* TGACTTCTACTTCTCACTATAATAAAGTGCCTTTGTGGCTACGTTCTTC  
*Oncorhynchus keta* TGACTTTTACTTCTCACTATAATAAAGTGCCTTTGTGGCTACGTTCTTC  
*Gadus morhua* TGCTTTTTCTTTTTAGTAATAATAAAGTGCCTTTGTGGCTATGTCCTTC  
*Amphilophus alfari* TATCCTTCTCCTCCTAACCAATAAAGTGCCTTTGTGGCTATGTCCTTC  
*Paraneetroplus siebold* TGCTCCTCCTTTTTAACCAATAAAGTGCCTTTGTGGCTATGTCCTTC  
*Tomocichla tuba* GATCCTTCTCCTCTTAAACAATAAAGTGCCTTTGTGGCTACGTTCTTC  
*Poeciliopsis monacha* AGTACTTCTTCTACTTGTATAATAAAGTGCCTTTGTGGCTACGTTCTTC  
*Saurida elongata* AATTCTGCTTCTTCTAGTAATAAAGTGCCTTTGTGGTATGTTCTTC  
*Chlorophthalmus albatrossis* CATCTTATTACTTCTCGTTATGATGACTGCCTTGTGGCTACGTTCTTC  
*Chlorophthalmus sp* TATCCTATTACTTCTCGTATGATAAAGTGCCTTTGTGGCTACGTTCTTC  
*Trachinocephalus myops* GATCCTCCTCCTTCTTGTATGATGACGCTTTGTGGCTACGTTCTTC  
*Synodus ulae* TATCTTCTTCTCCTTGTAAATGATGACGCTTTGTGGTACGTTCTTC  
*Synodus hoshinonis* CGTTCTTCTTCTACTCGTAATAAAGTGCCTTTGTGGCTACGTTCTTC  
*Sebastes umbrosus* AGTCTATTACTTCTAGTTATAAAGTGCCTTTGTGGCTATGTCGTAC  
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*Salvelinus alpinus* CATGAGGCAAATATCCTTCTGAGGAGCCACTGTAATCACAACCTCCTC  
*Brachymystax lenok* CATGAGGACAAATATCCTTCTGAGGAGCCACTGTAATCACAACCTCCTA  
*Salmo salar* CATGAGGACAAATATCCTTCTGAGGAGCCACTGTAATCACAACCTCCTC  
*Oncorhynchus keta* CGTGAGGACAAATATCCTTCTGAGGAGCCACTGTAATCACAACCTCCTC  
*Gadus morhua* CCTGAGGACAAATATCATTCTGAGGAGCTACCGTAATTACGAATTAATA  
*Amphilophus alfari* CATGAGGACAAATATCCTTCTGAGGAGCCACTGTAATCACAACCTCCTC  
*Paraneetroplus siebold* CATGAGGACAAATGTCCTTCTGAGGAGCCACTGTAATCACAACCTCCTC  
*Tomocichla tuba* CATGAGGACAAATATCCTTTTGTGGTGTACCGTATCACAACCTCCTC  
*Poeciliopsis monacha* CATGAGGACAAATATCCTTCTGAGGAGCTACCGTAATTACCAACCTCCTC  
*Saurida elongata* CTTGAGGACAAATATCCTTTTGGGGGCCACAGTTATTACTAACCTATTA  
*Chlorophthalmus albatrossis* CCTGAGGACAAATGTCCTTCTGAGGAGCCACTGTAATCACAACCTCCTG  
*Chlorophthalmus sp* CCTGAGGACAAATGTCCTTCTGAGGAGCAACCGTAATTACCAATCTTCTG  
*Trachinocephalus myops* CTTGAGGTCAGATGTCCTTCTGAGGAGCCACTGTAATCACAACCTCCTT  
*Synodus ulae* CTTGAGGTCAAATGTCCTTCTGAGGAGCCACTGTAATCACAACCTTTTA  
*Synodus hoshinonis* CCTGAGGACAAATGTCCTTTTGTGGTGTACCGTATCACAACCTCATA  
*Sebastes umbrosus* CCTGAGGACAAATATCCTTTTGTGGTGTACCGTATCACAACCTACTC  
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Fig 3.1 (continued)



Salvelinus alpinus	TCCGCTGTCCCTACGTAGGAGGTGCCCTTGACAATGAATTTGAGGCGG
Brachymystax lenok	TCCGCCGTCCCATAATGTTGGAGGCGCCCTAGTACAATGAATTTGAGGAGG
Salmo salar	TCCGCTGTCCCTACGTAGGAGGCGCCCTTGACAATGAATTTGAGGAGG
Oncorhynchus keta	TCCGCTGTCCCTACGTAGGAGGCGCCCTAGTACAATGAATTTGAGGCGG
Gadus morhua	TCTACTGTTCCTTATGTAGGTGATGCCCTAGTTCATGGATCTGAGGAGG
Amphilophus alfari	TCCGCTATCCGTACATCGGCAATTCCTTGTCCAATGACTCTGAGGTGG
Paraneetroplus siebold	TCCGCAATTCCTTACATTGGCAACTCTCTAGTTCATGGCTTTGAGGTGG
Tomocichla tuba	TCCGCAGTCCCCTTACATTGGCAACTCCCTGGTCCAATGACTTTGAGGTGG
Poeciliopsis monacha	TCCGCTGTCCCTTATAGGAAACACCCTTGTCCAATGAATCTGAGGTGG
Saurida elongata	TCCGCCGTCCCCTACGTAGGACCACCCTCGTGAATGAATTTGGGGAGG
Chlorophthalmus albatrossis	TCCGCAGTCCCATAACGTAGGAAATGCCCTAGTTCATGGATCTGAGGGGG
Chlorophthalmus sp	TCCGCAGTCCCATAACGTGGGAACGCCCTAGTCCAATGAATTTGAGGGGG
Trachinocephalus myops	TCTGCCGTCCCCTACGTGGCAACACCCTTGACAGTGAATTTGGGGTGG
Synodus ulae	TCTGCCGTCCCATAACGTGGTAATACCCTTGTCCAATGAATTTGAGGCGG
Synodus hoshinonis	TCCGCCGTCCCATAATGTTGGTAACACCCTGGTCCAATGGATTTGAGGTGG
Sebastes umbrosus	TCTGAAGTACCCTACGTAGGTAACGCCCTTGTCCAATGAATTTGAGGTGG
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Salvelinus alpinus	ATTTTCTGTAGACAACGCCACCCTAACCCGATTTTTGCGCTTTCACCTTCC
Brachymystax lenok	ATTTCTCCGTAGACAACGCTACCCGTACACGATTTTTGCGCTTCCACTTCC
Salmo salar	ATTTTCTGTAGACAACGCCACCCTAACACGATTTTTGCGCTTCCACTTCC
Oncorhynchus keta	GTTCTCCGTTGACAACGCCACCCTAACACGATTTTTGCGCTTTCACCTTCC
Gadus morhua	TTTCTCAGTAGATAATGCTACCCTAACCCGTTTTTTGCATTCATTTCT
Amphilophus alfari	CTTCTCAGTAGACAATGCCACTCTCACCCGATTTTGCCTTCCACTTTC
Paraneetroplus siebold	CTTTTCAGTAGACAATGCCACCCTCACCCGATTTTGCCTTCCACTTCC
Tomocichla tuba	CTTTTCAGTAGATAACGCCACCCTCACCCGATTTTGCCTTCCACTTCC
Poeciliopsis monacha	ATTTTCAGTAGACAACGCCACCCTAACCCGCTTCTTGCCTTCCACTTCC
Saurida elongata	ATTTTCTGTAGACAAGGCCACCCTAACCCGATTTTGCCTTCCACTTCC
Chlorophthalmus albatrossis	CTTCTCTGTGACAATGCCAGCTCACCCGATTTTGCCTTTCACCTTCC
Chlorophthalmus sp	CTTCTCAGTTGATAACGCCCACTCACCCGATTTTGCCTTCCACTTCC
Trachinocephalus myops	GTTCTCCGTTGATAACGCCAGCTTACTCGCTTCTTGCCTTCCACTTTC
Synodus ulae	GTTTTCGGTCGATAATGCCACCCTCACCCGTTCTTGCATTTCAATTTCT
Synodus hoshinonis	GTTCTCAGTAGACAACGCCACCCTAACCCGATTTTTGCAATTTCACTTTT
Sebastes umbrosus	GTTCTCAGTAGACAATGCAACCCCTAACCCGATTTTGCCTTCCACTTTC
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Salvelinus alpinus	TATTCCTTTCGTTATTGCAGCCGCCACAGTACTTCACCTTCTATTTCTG
Brachymystax lenok	TATTCCTTTCATCATCGCAGCTGCCACAGTCTTCACCTCCTATTCCTA
Salmo salar	TATTCCTTTCGTTATTGCAGCTGCCACAGTACTTCATCTTCTATTTTFA
Oncorhynchus keta	TATTCCTTTCGTCATCGCAGCTGTACAGTCTTTCACCTCCTATTTCTT
Gadus morhua	TATTCCTTTCGTTGTTGCTGCTTTTACAATACTCCACCTACTTTTTCTC
Amphilophus alfari	TCTTCCCATTTATCATCGCAGCCATAACAATAATCCACCTAATCTTCTTA
Paraneetroplus siebold	TCTTCCCTTTCATCATTTGCAGCCATAACAATAATCCACCTAATTTTTCTC
Tomocichla tuba	TCTTCCCGTTGATCATTGCAGCCATAACAATAATCCACCTAATCTTCTTC
Poeciliopsis monacha	TCTTCCCTTTCATCGTTGCGAGCAACCTTAGTCCACCTCATTTTTTTTA
Saurida elongata	TATTTCCCTTGTAAATCGTCCCGCTCACAGTATTACCTTCTTTTTCTTA
Chlorophthalmus albatrossis	TCTTCCCATTCGTCATCGCCGCTGTAACAGTATCCACCTGTTGTTCTTC
Chlorophthalmus sp	TCTTCCCATTTGTCATTCGGCCGTAACAGTATCCACCTACTGTTTCTC
Trachinocephalus myops	TCTTCCCTTTCGTCATCGCTGCGGTTACCGTTATCCACCTCCTATTTCTT
Synodus ulae	TATTTCCCTTTCGTTATCGCAGCGGTTACCGTAATTCACCTCTATTTCTC
Synodus hoshinonis	TATTTCCATTGTTATCGCAGCCGTAACGTAAATCCACCTCTTGTCTTA
Sebastes umbrosus	TGTTCCCTTTCGTAATTCAGCCCAACCATAGTCCACCTCCTTTTTCTTC
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Fig 3.1 (continued)

*Salvelinus alpinus* CATGAAACCGGGTCCAATAAACCAGCAGGGATTAACCTCGACGCCGACAA  
*Brachymystax lenok* CACGAAACCGGATCCAACAACCAGCAGGCATTAACCTCGACGCCGATAA  
*Salmo salar* CATGAAACCGGGTCTAATAAACCAGCAGGCATCAACTCCGATGCCGATAA  
*Oncorhynchus keta* CACGAGACAGGATCTAATAAACCAGCAGGAATTAACCTCGATGCCGATAA  
*Gadus morhua* CATGAAACAGGCTCAAATAATCCACAGGAATCAATTCAAATGCAGACAA  
*Amphilophus alfari* CACGAAACCGGCTCAACAACCAGCAGGCCTAAACTCCGACACAGACAA  
*Paraneetroplus siebold* CACGAAACCGGTTCCACAACCAGCAGGCTTAAACTCCGACACAGACAA  
*Tomocichla tuba* CACGAAACCGGATCCAACAACCAGCAGGCCTAAACTCCGACACAGACAA  
*Poeciliopsis monacha* CACGAAACAGGCTCCAACAACCAGCAGGCCTAAACTCCGACACAGACAA  
*Saurida elongata* CATGAAACCGGCTCCAACAACCAGCAGGATTAACCTGACGTAGACAA  
*Chlorophthalmus albatrossis* CACGAGACCGGCTCCAACAACCAGCAGGATTAACCTCGACGCCGACAA  
*Chlorophthalmus sp* CACGAAACCGGATCCAATAAACCAGCAGGATTAATTCGGACGCAGATAA  
*Trachinocephalus myops* CATGAGACCGGCTCCAACAACCAGCAGGATTAACCTCGACGCAGATAA  
*Synodus ulae* CACGAGACCGGCTCAAATAAACCAGCAGGATTAACCTCGATGCCGACAA  
*Synodus hoshinonis* CACGAAACCGGATCTAACAACCAGCAGGATCAACTCAGATGCCGATAA  
*Sebastes umbrosus* CACCAACAGGATCAACAACCAGCAGGATTAATTCAGACGCAGATAA  
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*Salvelinus alpinus* AATCTCATTCCACCCCTACTTCTCGTACAAGACCTCCTCGGTTTCGTAG  
*Brachymystax lenok* AATCTCGTTTCACCCCTACTTCTCATACAAGACCTCCTCGGTTTCGTAG  
*Salmo salar* AATCTCATTCCACCCCTACTTCTCATATAAAGACCTCCTCGGATTTGTAG  
*Oncorhynchus keta* AATCTCGTTTCACCCCTACTTCTCGTACAAGACCTCCTAGGTTTCGTAG  
*Gadus morhua* AATTCATTCACCCATATTTCACTACAAGACCTGCTTGGCTTTCGTG  
*Amphilophus alfari* AATTTCTTTCCACCCCTACTTCTCCTACAAGACCTCCTAGGCTTTCGAA  
*Paraneetroplus siebold* AATCTCATTCCACCCCTACTTTCTCCTACAAGACCTATTAGGCTTTCGAA  
*Tomocichla tuba* AATCTCATTCCACCCCTACTTCTCCTACAAGACCTCCTAGGCTTTCGAA  
*Poeciliopsis monacha* AATCTCTTTCCACCCCTACTTCTCCTACAAGACCTCCTAGGCTTTCGCT  
*Saurida elongata* AATCGCGTTCCATCCGTACTTCTCATATAAAGACCTCCTAGGTTTTCGAA  
*Chlorophthalmus albatrossis* AATTTCTTTCCACCCATACTTCTCCTACAAGACCTCCTCGGCTTTCATTA  
*Chlorophthalmus sp* AATTTCTTTCCACCCATATTTTCTACAAGGATCTCCTTGGCTTTCATTA  
*Trachinocephalus myops* GATCTCTTTTCATCCCTATTTCTCGTACAAGGATCTTTTGGGCTTTCATTA  
*Synodus ulae* AATTTCTTTTCATCCCTACTTTTCGTATAAAGATCTGCTTGGCTTTCGTTA  
*Synodus hoshinonis* GATCTCGTTCCACCCCTATTTTCTCATAAAGACTTGTAGGATTTGTAA  
*Sebastes umbrosus* AATAAGCTTCCACCCCTACTTCTCATATAAAGACTTATTAGGATTTGCAG  
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*Salvelinus alpinus* CTATATTGCTTGGCTAACAACCCTAGCTCTTTTCGCACCTAACCTCCTA  
*Brachymystax lenok* CTATACTACTAGGCTTAACATCCCTAGCTCTTTTCGCACCTAATCTTCTA  
*Salmo salar* CCATACTACTTGGCTAACAATCCCTAGCTCTATTTCGCACCAACCTCCTC  
*Oncorhynchus keta* CCATACTTCTTGGTCTAACAATCCCTAGCCCTCTTTTCGCACCAACCTCCTG  
*Gadus morhua* TGATGCTTCTGGCTTAACCGCCCTCGCCCTCTTCGCACCTAATTTACTC  
*Amphilophus alfari* TCCTTCTCATTGCCCTAATCGCCCTAGCCCTCTTCTCCCCAACCTTCTA  
*Paraneetroplus siebold* TCCTACTAGTTGCCCTAATGGCTTAGCCCTCTTTTCCCCAACCTCCTA  
*Tomocichla tuba* TCCTACTCATCGCCCTAATCGCCCTAGCTCTCTTTTCCCCAACCTCCTA  
*Poeciliopsis monacha* TCCTGCTTACCACACTAATGGCCCTCGCCCTCTTCTCCCCAACCTATTA  
*Saurida elongata* TTATACTTGTGGCTTACCGCTCTAGCCCTCTTTTACCCCAACCTCCTC  
*Chlorophthalmus albatrossis* TCATGATGGTGGCCCTTACCTCCCTCGCCCTGTTTTTACCACCAACCTTCTG  
*Chlorophthalmus sp* TTATGATAGTAGCCCTCACCTCCCTGCTCTATTCTCCCCAAATCTTCTA  
*Trachinocephalus myops* TTCTGATGATAGCCCTCACCTCCCTAGCTTTATTTTCCCTAACCTGCTC  
*Synodus ulae* TCCTAATAATAGCCCTTACTTCCCTGCCCTTTTTTACCACCAATCTTCTA  
*Synodus hoshinonis* TCCTTATGATAGCTTACCTCTTAGCCCTGTTCTACCCCAACCTGCTA  
*Sebastes umbrosus* TACTTGTCAATTGCCCTTACATGTCTAGCTTTATTTCTACCCCAACCTACTG  
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Fig 3.1 (continued)

*Salvelinus alpinus* GGAGACCCGGACAATTTACACCAGCCAACCCCTAGTTACCCGGCCACA  
*Brachymystax lenok* GGAGACCCAGACAATTTTACACCCGCCAACCCCTAGTCACCCACCTCA  
*Salmo salar* GGGGACCCAGACAATTTTACACCTGCCAACCCCTAGTTACTCCACCTCA  
*Oncorhynchus keta* GGGGACCCGGACAATTTTACGCCGCCAACCCACTAGTCACCCGGCTCA  
*Gadus morhua* GGAGATCCAGATAATTTACCCCTGCTAACCCCATGTTACCCACCTCA  
*Amphilophus alfari* GGAGACCCAGACAATTTACCCCGCAAACCCCTTGGTCACTCCCCACA  
*Paraneetroplus siebold* GGAGACCCAGACAATTTACCCCGCAAACCCCTAGTCACTCCCCGCA  
*Tomocichla tuba* GGAGACCCAGACAATTTCACTCCCGCAAACCCCTAGTTACTCCCCCA  
*Poeciliopsis monacha* GGAGACCCAGAAAATTTCACTCCTGCTAACCCACTTGTAAACACTCCTCA  
*Saurida elongata* GGAGATCCTGACAATTTACCCCGCAAATCCCTTAGTTACTCCCCCA  
*Chlorophthalmus albatrossis* GGGGACCCAGACAATTTACCCCGCAAACCCCTTGTACTCCCCCA  
*Chlorophthalmus sp* GGAGACCCAGACAATTTACCCCGCGAACCCCTGTCACCCACCTCA  
*Trachinocephalus myops* GGCGACCCAGACAATTTACGCCGCTAACCCCTTGTACCCCTCCTCA  
*Synodus ulae* GGCGACCCAGATAATTTACCCCGCAAACCCCTGGTCACTCCGCCCA  
*Synodus hoshinonis* GGCGACCCGATAATTTTACCCCGCTAATCCCTAGTTAATCCTCCCA  
*Sebastes umbrosus* GGAGACCCAGACAATTTACCCCGCAAACCCACTAGTTACTCCTCCCA  
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*Salvelinus alpinus* CATCAAGCCCGAATGGTACTTCTTATTGCGCTATGCAATTTCTCCGATCTA  
*Brachymystax lenok* CATCAAACCCGAATGATACTTCTTGTGCTTATGCAATTTCTACGGTCTA  
*Salmo salar* TATCAAGCCTGAATGATACTTCTTATTGCGCTACGCAATCCTACGCTCA  
*Oncorhynchus keta* TATCAAACCCGAATGATAATTTCTTATTGCTTACGCAATCCTACGCTCA  
*Gadus morhua* TGTTAAGCCCGAATGATAATTTCTTGTGCTTATGCCATCTTACGCTCTA  
*Amphilophus alfari* CATCAAACCCGAGATGATACTTCTTATTGCTTACGCAATTTCTCCGATCTA  
*Paraneetroplus siebold* CATTAAACCCGAGATGATACTTCTTGTGCTTACGCCATCCTCCGATCAA  
*Tomocichla tuba* CATTAAACCCGAGATGATAATTTCTTATTGCTTACGCCATCCTCCGATCAA  
*Poeciliopsis monacha* CATTAAACCCGAGTATATTTCTTCTGCGCATACGCCATTTCTCGTTCA  
*Saurida elongata* CATCAAACCCGAATGGTACTTCTTCTGCGCTACGCCATCCTCCGCTCA  
*Chlorophthalmus albatrossis* CATTAAAGCCGAGTATATTTCTTCTGCGCTATGCCATCCTCCGTTCCA  
*Chlorophthalmus sp* TATCAAACCCGAGATGATAATTTCTTCTGCGCTTATGCCATTTCTCGTTCCA  
*Trachinocephalus myops* CATCAAGCCTGAGTGGTACTTCTTATTGCGCTACGCCATTTCTCGGTCTA  
*Synodus ulae* TATTAAGCCGAGATGGTATTTCTTGTGCTTACGCCATCCTACGATCCA  
*Synodus hoshinonis* TATTAACCCGAGTACTTCTTCTGCGCATACGCCATTTCTCGTTCCA  
*Sebastes umbrosus* CATTAAAGCCGAGATGATAATTTCTTCTGCGCATATGCAATTTCTACGCTCA  
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*Salvelinus alpinus* TCCCAATAAAGCTAGGAGGGTACTCGCCCTTTTATTCTCAATCCTCGTC  
*Brachymystax lenok* TCCCAATAAAGCTAGGCGGAGTACTCGCCCTTGTCTCCATCCTCGTC  
*Salmo salar* TTCTTAACAAACTAGGCGGAGTACTCGCCCTTATTCTCGATCCTGGTC  
*Oncorhynchus keta* TCCCAACAAACTTGGAGGGTACTCGCCCTTTTATTCTCAATCCTTGT  
*Gadus morhua* TTCCAAATAAAGCTAGGTGGGCTACTTGCACTCCTATTCTCGATTCTAGTC  
*Amphilophus alfari* TTCCCAACAAACTAGGCGGAGTCTAGCACTCCTTTTCTCCATCCTAATC  
*Paraneetroplus siebold* TCCCGAACAAAGCTGGGAGGGTCTTGCATCTCTTTTTCCATTCTAATC  
*Tomocichla tuba* TCCCAACAAACTAGGAGGAGTCTCGCACTTCTTTTCTCGATTCTAATC  
*Poeciliopsis monacha* TTCCCAACAAAGCTGGGAGGGTCTTGTCTTCTAGCCTCTATTCTAGTT  
*Saurida elongata* TCCCTAACAAACTAGGAGGAGTCTTGCATCTTGCATCTATTCTTGT  
*Chlorophthalmus albatrossis* TCCCAATAAAGCTGGGGGTGCTTGCCTTCTAGCCTCCATCCTAGTC  
*Chlorophthalmus sp* TCCCAACAAACTAGGCGGGTCTAGCTCTGCTAGCGTCCATTTTAGTT  
*Trachinocephalus myops* TTCCCAATAAAGCTCGGCGGCTACTCGCCCTCTTGCCTCCATCCTCGTC  
*Synodus ulae* TCCCAACAAACTTGGCGGGTCTTGCCTTTTGGCCTCGATCTTAGTA  
*Synodus hoshinonis* TTCCCAACAAACTTGGAGGAGTCTGCGCCCTTCTGCTCTATTTTAGTA  
*Sebastes umbrosus* TCCCAATAAAGCTGGGGGAGTTTTAGCCCTCTAGCTTCAATCCTTATC  
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Fig 3.1 (continued)

Salvelinus alpinus	CTCATAGTTGTCGGATCCTCCACACCTCTAAACAGCGGGACTAACCTT
Brachymystax lenok	CTTATGGTTGTCCCATCCTTCACACCTCTAAACAACGAGGGCTAACCTT
Salmo salar	CTTATAGTCGTCCCATCCTCCATACCTCTAAACAACGAGGACTGACCTT
Oncorhynchus keta	CTTATAGTTGTCCCATCCTGCATACATCTAAACAACGAGGACTGACCTT
Gadus morhua	CTCATGGTTGTACCTTTCTCCATACGTCAAACAACGAGGTTTAAACATT
Amphilophus alfari	CTCATGCTCGTGCCAATCCTCCACACCTCAAACCTCCGAGCCCTTACCTT
Paraneetroplus siebold	CTTATACTAGTGCCAATCCTCCACACCTCAAACCTCCGAGCCCTTACCTT
Tomocichla tuba	CTCATACTCGTGCCAATCCTCCACACCTCAAACCTTCAGACTCTTACCTT
Poeciliopsis monacha	CTGATAGCTGTTCCCTTCTTACACTTCTAAACAACGAGGCTCACCTT
Saurida elongata	CTTATACTAGTCCCGTTCTCCACACGTCTAAACAACGGGGCTTAAATT
Chlorophthalmus albatrossis	CTAATGCTGGTCCCTTTCTCCATACCTCTAAACAGCGAGGACTAACATT
Chlorophthalmus sp	TTGATACTGGTCCCTTTCTCCATACCTCAAACAACGCGTGGACTAACATT
Trachinocephalus myops	CTCATGCTCGTCCCATCCTCCATACCTTCCAAGCAGCGGGACTAACCTT
Synodus ulae	CTTATGCTCGTCCAATTCCTCCACACCTCAAAGCAGCGAGGACTTACCTT
Synodus hoshinonis	CTAATGCTGTCCCAATACTACACACCTCTAAGCAGCGAGGACTTACCTT
Sebastes umbrosus	CTAATGCTCGTACCATTCTACACACGTCTAAACAACGAGGCTCACCTT

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Salvelinus alpinus	TGACCCTAACTCAATTCTTATTCTGAACCCTGGTAGCAGACATACTAA
Brachymystax lenok	TGACCCTAAACCAATTCTTATTCTGAACCCTAGTAGCAGACATACTAA
Salmo salar	TGCCCCACTCACCAATTCTTATTCTGGACCCTGGTAGCGGACATACTAA
Oncorhynchus keta	TGACCCTAAACCAATTCTTATTTTGAAGCCTTAGTAGCAGATATACTCA
Gadus morhua	CCGCCCTTACCCTAAATACTATTCTGAGTCTCGTTGCAGATATACTAG
Amphilophus alfari	CCGACCAATTACTCAATTTTTATTCTGACTCCTAGTTGCAGACGTCATTA
Paraneetroplus siebold	CCGACCCCTTACTCAATTCTTATTCTGACTCCTAATTGCAGACGTCATAA
Tomocichla tuba	CCGACCCTCACTCAATTTTTATTCTGGCTCCTAGTTGCAGACGTCGTTA
Poeciliopsis monacha	CCGTCTCTCACCAAACTCTTTTTGACTTTTTAATCGCAGACGTAGCAA
Saurida elongata	CCGCCCTTACCCTAACTCCTCTTCTGAACATTCTGAGCAGACGTTGGA
Chlorophthalmus albatrossis	CCGGCCCTTAAACAAAATTTTTCTGAACATTTGTAGCTAACGTCATCA
Chlorophthalmus sp	CCGTCCATTGACACAAATTCCTTTTTGAACCTTTGTGCGCAATGTTATTA
Trachinocephalus myops	CCGCCCTCTGACCAAGTACTCTTCTGGGCCCTTTGTAGCCGACGTCATCA
Synodus ulae	CCGACCCTAACACAGTTTCTATTCTGAACCTTCTGAGCAGATGTCATTA
Synodus hoshinonis	TCGACCCCTAACACAATTTCTTTTTCTGGACTTTTGTGGCAGATGTCATTA
Sebastes umbrosus	CCGACCCTCACACAATTTCTTTTTGAACCTAATCGCAGACGTTATTA

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Salvelinus alpinus	TCCTCACCTGAATTGGGGCATGCCTGTAGAACCACCCATTTATCATTATC
Brachymystax lenok	TCCTCACCTGAATTGGTGGCATACCCGTAGAACCACCCATTTATCATTATC
Salmo salar	TCCTTACCTGAATTGGAGGCATACCCGTGAACACCCATTCATTATCATT
Oncorhynchus keta	TCCTCACCTGAATCGGGGCATACCCGTAGAACCACCCGTTTATTATCATT
Gadus morhua	TTCTACATGAATTGGAGGCGTACCTGTAGAACCACCCCTTATTATCATC
Amphilophus alfari	TTCTAACCTGAATTGGAGGAATGCCGTGGAACATCCCTTTGTTATCATT
Paraneetroplus siebold	TTTTAACCTGAATTGGAGGAATACCCGTGGAACACCCATTTATCATTATC
Tomocichla tuba	TTTTGACTTGAATTGGAGGCATACCCGTTGAACACCCATTTATCATTATC
Poeciliopsis monacha	TCCTTACATGAATCGGAGGTATACCTGTTGAACACCCATTTATTATTATC
Saurida elongata	TCCTCACATGAATTGGAGGCATGCCGTTGAACACCCCTTTATTATTATC
Chlorophthalmus albatrossis	TCCTGACGTGAATCGGAGGTATGCCAGTGAACACCCCTTTATTATTATC
Chlorophthalmus sp	TTCTAACCTGAATCGGAGGTATGCCGTTGAACACCCCTTATTATTATC
Trachinocephalus myops	TTCTCACCTGGATCGGAGGCATACCAAGTGAACACCCCTTTATTATTATC
Synodus ulae	TCCTCACATGAATTGGGGGTATACCAAGTGGAGCACCCTTTATTATTATC
Synodus hoshinonis	TCCTCACCTGAATTGGAGGCATGCCAGTGAACATCCATTTATTATTATC
Sebastes umbrosus	TTCTCACTTGAATCGGAGGCATACCTGTATCACACCCATTCGTCATTATC

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Fig 3.1 (continued)

Salvelinus alpinus	GGCCAAGTTGCCTCTGTGATTTACTTCACCATCTTCTAGTCCTCGCCCC
Brachymystax lenok	GGCCAAGTCGCCCTCTGTAATTTACTTCACCATCTTCTAATCCTCGCCCC
Salmo salar	GGTCAAATTGCCTCTGTAATTTACTTTACTATCTTCTAGTCCTTGCCCC
Oncorhynchus keta	GGCCAATTGCCTCTGTAATCTACTTCACCATCTTCTAGTTCTTTCCCC
Gadus morhua	GGACAAGTGGCATCAGTACTATAATTTCTCCCTCTTCTAGTTTTATCCC
Amphilophus alfari-sj	GGCCAATTGCATCCTTCTCTATTTCTCTATTTTCTTATCTTACTGCC
Paraneetroplus siebold	GGCCAATCGCATCTTTCTCTATTTCTTCTCTTCTTATTTTACTGCC
Tomocichla tuba	GGCCAATCGCTTCTTCTCTACTTCTTCTATTTCTTATTTTACTGCC
Poeciliopsis monacha	GGTCAAGTAGCCTCCCTCCTACTTCTCCCTATTCTAGTCCTCTCCCC
Saurida elongata	GGCCAGGTCGCTTCTTCTCTATTTCTTTCTGCTCTTGGTCTTAGTCCC
Chlorophthalmus albatrossis	GGTCAAGTAGCATCGTTCTCTACTTTCTTCTCTTCTAGTACTCTCACC
Chlorophthalmus sp	GGGCAAGTAGCATCGTTTCTCTATTTCTTCTCTTCTTCTAGTCTATGCC
Trachinocephalus myops	GGACAGGTCGCTTCTTCTCTACTTTCTTCTTCTTCTGCTACTAGCCCC
Synodus ulae	GGGCAAGTTGCCTCTTCTTCTTACTTCTTCTACTGTTGCTATTGCCCC
Synodus hoshinonis	GGACAAGTGGCCTCTTTCTTCTTACTTCTTCTACTTCTTCTTCTGCTATCTCC
Sebastes umbrosus	GGACAAGTTGCGTCTTTTTATACTTTTTCTTTTCTTCTAGTCCTTACACC

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Salvelinus alpinus	CTTAGCCGGTTGGGCCGAAAAATAAGCCCTTGAATGA
Brachymystax lenok	CTTAGCCGGATGGGCCGAGAAATAAGCCCTCGAATGA
Salmo salar	CCTGGCTGGCTGAGCTGAAAAATAAGCTTTGAATGA
Oncorhynchus keta	CTTAGCCGGCTGGGCCGAAAAATAAGCCCTCCAATGA
Gadus morhua	CCTTGCAGGAATAACTGAAAAATAAGCCCTTGAATGA
Amphilophus alfari-sj	CATCTCTGGACTAGCAGAAAAATAAATATTTGCATAA
Paraneetroplus siebold	CATTGCCGGACTAGCAGAAAAATAAATATTTGCATAA
Tomocichla tuba	CACCGCCGGACTAGCAGAAAAATAAATATTTGCATAA
Poeciliopsis monacha	CACTGCAGCATGAGTAGAAAAATAAATCTCGGATGA
Saurida elongata	CGCTGCAGGGTGACTAGAAAAATAAGCACTTGAATGA
Chlorophthalmus albatrossis	CTTAGCCGGCTGAGTGGAGAAATAAGCCCTTGAATGA
Chlorophthalmus sp	CCTTGCAGGATGGGTAGAGAACAAGCCCTTAAATGA
Trachinocephalus myops	CCTCGCCGGCTGGGTTGAGAAATAAGCCCTTGAATGA
Synodus ulae	AATTGCAGGGTGATTAGAAAAATAAGCCCTTGAATGA
Synodus hoshinonis	TATGGCAGGCTGACTGGAAAAATAAGCCCTCGAATGA
Sebastes umbrosus	ACTAGCAGGCTACGCAGAGGACAAGCACTTGAATGA

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Fig 3.1 (continued)

Salvelinus alpinus	ATGGCCAACCTCCGAAAAACCCACCCACTCCTAAAAATTGCTAATGACGC
Brachymystax lenok	ATGGCTAACCTCCGAAAAACCCACCCCTCCTAAAAATTGCTAATGACGC
Salmo salar	ATGGCCAACCTCCGAAAAACTCACCCGCTCCTAAAAATTGCTAATGACGC
Oncorhynchus keta	ATGGCCAACCTCCGAAAAACCCACCCCTCCTAAAAATCGCTAATGACGC
Gadus morhua	ATGGCCAGCCTTCGGAAAAACCCATCCAATCCTAAAAATTGCTAATGACGC
Amphilophus alfari	ATGGCCAGCCTCCGAAAAACTCACCCCTCCTAAAAATCGCAATGACGC
Paraneetroplus siebold	ATGGCCAACCTCCGAAAAACCCACCCCTCCTAAAAATCGCAATGACGC
Tomocichla tuba	ATGGCCAGCCTCCGAAAAACCCACCCCTCCTAAAAATCGCAATGACGC
Poeciliopsis monacha	ATGGCTAGCCTACGAAAAATCCACCCCTACTAAAAATTGCAAAACACGC
Saurida elongata	ATGGCCATCCTCCGAAAGACACCCCTCATGAAAAATGCAAAACGACGC
Chlorophthalmus albatrossis	ATGGCC—CTCCGAAAAACCCACCCCTTATTGAAAAATCGCAAAACGACGC
Chlorophthalmus sp	ATGGCC—CTCCGAAAAACTCATCCCTTACTGAAAAATCGCAAAACGACGC
Trachinocephalus myops	ATGGCAAGCCTGCGAAAAACCCACCCCTACTAAAGATTGCAAAACGGCGC
Synodus ulae	ATGGCAAGCCTACGTA AAAACCCACCCCTCCTAAAAATCGCAAAACGGTGC
Synodus hoshinonis	ATGGCAAGCCTACGTA AAAACCCACCCCTCCTAAAAATCGCAAAACGGCGC
Sebastes umbrosus	ATGGCAAGTCTACGAAAGACACCCCTCCTAAAAATCGCAAAACAATGC
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Salvelinus alpinus	ACTAGTCGACCTCCCTGCCCTCTAATATCTCAGTCTGATGAAACTTTG
Brachymystax lenok	ACTAGTTGACCTCCAGCACCTCTAATATCTCAGTCTGATGAAACTTTG
Salmo salar	ACTAGTCGATCCTCCAGCACCATCTAACATCTCAGTTTGATGAAACTTTG
Oncorhynchus keta	ACTAGTCGACCTCCAGCACCATCTAACATCTCAGTCTGATGAAACTTTG
Gadus morhua	ATTAGTTGATCTCCCGCCCCCTCCAATATCTCAGTATGATGAAACTTTG
Amphilophus alfari	ACTAGTCGACCTCCCGCCCCCTCAACATCTCTGTTTGATGAAACTTTG
Paraneetroplus siebold	ACTAGTTGATCTCCCGCCCCCTCAACATCTCCATCTGATGAAACTTTG
Tomocichla tuba	ACTAGTTGACCTTCCTACACCTCAACATCTCCGTTTGATGAAACTTTG
Poeciliopsis monacha	ATTAGTAGATCTCCCGCCCCGTTAATATCTCCGCTGATGAAACTTCG
Saurida elongata	ACTAGTAGATCTCCCGCCCCCTCAATATTTTCAGCCCTATGAAACTTCG
Chlorophthalmus albatrossis	CCTAGTTGACCTCCCGCCCCCTCGAACATTTTCAGCTTATGAAACTTCG
Chlorophthalmus sp	TTTGGTTGACCTTCCTGCTCCCTCTAACATCTCAGCATGGTAAACTTCG
Trachinocephalus myops	ACTTGTGACCTCCCGCACCCCTCAACATCTCTGCATGGTAAACTTTG
Synodus ulae	CCTAGTTGATCTCCAGCCCTCAAAATATCTCGCTTATGAAACTTTG
Synodus hoshinonis	ACTGTTGACCTACCGCACCATCAACATTTTCGCTGATGAAACTTCG
Sebastes umbrosus	CCTAGTTGACCTACCGCCCCCTCAATATTTTCAGTGTGATGAAACTTCG
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Salvelinus alpinus	GTTCACTCTTAGGCCTATGTTTGGCCACCCAAATCTTACCGACTCTTC
Brachymystax lenok	GATCACTCCTAGGCTTATGTCTAGCCACCCAAATCTCACCGACTCTTC
Salmo salar	GCTCACTCTTAGGCCTATGTCTAGCCACCCAAATCCTTACCGGCTCTTC
Oncorhynchus keta	GTTCACTCCTAGGCTTATGCCTAGCCACCCAAATCTTACCGGCTCTTC
Gadus morhua	GCTCTCTTCTAGGCCTTTGCTTAATTACTCAACTCTAACAGGACTATTT
Amphilophus alfari	GCTCCCTACTAGGACTCTGCCTTGGCCCAAAATCCTAACAGGCTTATTT
Paraneetroplus siebold	GCTCCCTACTAGGACTTTGTCTCGTACCCAAATTTTAAACGGGCTATTT
Tomocichla tuba	GCTCCTTATTAGGACTATGCCTCGTCCGCTCAAAATTTAACAGGCTATTC
Poeciliopsis monacha	GCTCCCTCCTAGGCCTCTGCCTTATTGCCAAATTAATACTGGCCTATTT
Saurida elongata	GATCTCTCCTAGGCCTTTGCCTAATCACCCAGATCGTTACAGGACTCTTC
Chlorophthalmus albatrossis	GCTCCCTACTCGGCTTTGTCTCGCTACACAAATCTCACAGGATATTC
Chlorophthalmus sp	GTTCCCTTGGCTTGGGCTATGTCTGGCCACACAAATCTTACCGGCTTATTT
Trachinocephalus myops	GCTCTTTATTGGGCTTTGCTTAGCGACTCAGATTCTGACTGGCCTCTTT
Synodus ulae	GGTCCCTACTAGGCTTATGCCTGGCCACCCAAATCTAACAGGCTTGTTC
Synodus hoshinonis	GGTCCCTCCTAGGCCTATGTCTAGCCACCCAAATCTAACAGGCTTATTC
Sebastes umbrosus	GCTCTCTTACTAGGACTCTGCTTAATATCCAAATCCTCACAGGACTATTT
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Fig 3.1 Aligned DNA sequences from 1137 bp of the cytochrome *b*.

*Salvelinus alpinus* CTAGCCATACACTACACCTCCGATATTTCAACAGCTTTTTCTCTGTGTG  
*Brachymystax lenok* CTAGCCATGCACTATACCTCTGACATTTCAACAGCTTTTTCTCCGTCTG  
*Salmo salar* CTAGCCATACACTACACCTCCGATATCTCAACAGCTTTTTCTCTGTGTG  
*Oncorhynchus keta* CTAGCCATGCACTACACCTCCGACATTTCAACAGCTTTTTCTCTGTGTG  
*Gadus morhua* CTAGCCATACACTATACCTCAGACATCGAGACAGCCTTCTCATCCGTAGT  
*Amphilophus alfari* CTTGCAATACACTACACTTCCGACATCGCAACAGCCTTTTCATCCGTTGC  
*Paraneetroplus siebold* CTTGCAATACACTATACCTCCGACATCGCAACAGCCTTTTCATCTGTGTG  
*Tomocichla tuba* CTTGCAATACACTACACTTCCGACATCGCAACAGCCTTTTCATCCGTAC  
*Poeciliopsis monacha* TTAGCAATACACTACACCTCCGATATCTCTATAGCATTTTCATCCGTGGC  
*Saurida elongata* CTAGCTATACACTATACCTCCGATGTTGCTACTGCTTTCTCCTCCGTCCG  
*Chlorophthalmus albatrossis* TTGGCTATACATTACACTTCCGACATCGCGACTGCCTTCTCTCCGTAAC  
*Chlorophthalmus sp* CTCGCTATGCACTACACCTCTGACATCGCAACAGCCTTCTTTCAGTAC  
*Trachinocephalus myops* CTTGCTATGCACTATACCTTCTGACGTTGCCACCGCTTTTTCTCCGTAC  
*Synodus ulae* TTAGCCATGCATTATACCTCTGACATTTCAACAGCCTTCTCATCAGTAA  
*Synodus hoshinonis* CTAGCTATACATTACACTTCTGATATCGCCACAGCCTTTTCATCCGTTAC  
*Sebastes umbrosus* TTAGCCATACACTACACCTCTGATATTGCTACAGCTTTTTCTCCGTTGC  
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*Salvelinus alpinus* CCATATCTGCCGAGATGTAAGTTACGGCTGACTCATCCGGAATATCCACG  
*Brachymystax lenok* CCATATCTGTGCGAGACGTTAGTTACGGCTGACTTATCCGAAATATCCACG  
*Salmo salar* CCACATTTGCCGAGATGTTAGCTATGGCTGACTCATCCGTAACATTACG  
*Oncorhynchus keta* CCACATCTGCCGAGATGTTAGCTACGGCTGACTAATTCGAAACATCCACG  
*Gadus morhua* CCACATCTGTGCGATGTAAGTACGGCTGACTAATTCGGAATATACATG  
*Amphilophus alfari* CCACATCTGTGCGAGACGTAATTTATGGCTGACTTATCCGCAACATGCACG  
*Paraneetroplus siebold* CCACATCTGTGCGAGATGTAAGTACGGCTGACTAATTCGCAACATACACG  
*Tomocichla tuba* CCACATCTGCCGAGATGTTAACTATGGCTGACTAATCCGCAACATGCACG  
*Poeciliopsis monacha* ACACATTTGCCGAGACGTAAGTACGGATGACTAATCCGCAATATACATG  
*Saurida elongata* CCACATCTGCCGAGATGTAAGTACGGCTGACTAATTCGGAATATACACG  
*Chlorophthalmus albatrossis* TCATATCTGCCGGACGTAAGTACGGCTGGCTAATCCGAAATATGCACG  
*Chlorophthalmus sp* CCATATTTGCCGGACGTAAGTATGGTTGACTGATCCGAAACATGCATG  
*Trachinocephalus myops* TCATATTTGCCGAGACGTAAGTACGGCTGGTTGATTCCGAAATATGCATG  
*Synodus ulae* ACACATCTGCCGAGACGTAAGTATGGCTGGCTCATCCGAAATATACATG  
*Synodus hoshinonis* TCACATTTGCCGAGACGTAAGTATGGCTGACTAATCCGAAACATACACG  
*Sebastes umbrosus* CCACATTTGCCGGACGTAAGTACGGGTATTATCCGAAATCTTACG  
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*Salvelinus alpinus* CTAACGGAGCATCTTTCTTTTATCTGTATTTATACATATCGCCCGA  
*Brachymystax lenok* CTAACGGAGCATCCTTCTTTTATCTGTATTTATATGCACATCGCCCGA  
*Salmo salar* CTAACGGAGCATCTTTCTTTTATCTGTATTTATACACATCGCCCGA  
*Oncorhynchus keta* CTAACGGAGCATCTTTCTTTTATTTGTATTTATACATATCGCCCGG  
*Gadus morhua* CTAATGGTGCTCTTTCTTTTATTTGCTTTATATGCACATTGCCCGA  
*Amphilophus alfari* CCAACGGCGCATCCTTCTTTCATCTGCATCTACCTTACATTGGTCGA  
*Paraneetroplus siebold* CCAACGGCGCATCCTTTTTCTTTATCTGCATTTACCTTACATTGGCCGA  
*Tomocichla tuba* CCAACGGCGCATCCTTTTTCTTTATCTGCATTTACCTCCACATCGGCCGA  
*Poeciliopsis monacha* CCAACGGAGCCTCCTTCTTTCATCTGCATTTACCTTACATCGGACGG  
*Saurida elongata* CTAACGGAGCTTCTTCTTTTATTTGCATTTATTTACATTGCACG  
*Chlorophthalmus albatrossis* CTAACGGAGCATCCTTCTTTCATTTGCATCTATATGCACATCGCACGA  
*Chlorophthalmus sp* CCAATGGAGCATCCTTTTTCTTTATTTGCATTTATATGCACATCGCACGA  
*Trachinocephalus myops* CCAACGGGGCCTCCTTCTTTCATCTGCATTTATATGCACATCGCCCGC  
*Synodus ulae* CCAACGGTGATCCTTTTTCTTTATTTGCATTTATATACACATTGCTCGG  
*Synodus hoshinonis* CCAATGGGGCTTCTTTTTCTTTATTTGCATTTACATGCATGTCGCCCGA  
*Sebastes umbrosus* CCAACGGTGATCCTTCTTCTTTGATGCATCTATGCCACATTGGCCCG  
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Fig 3.1 (continued)

Salvelinus alpinus GGACTCTACTACGGGCTACCTATATAAAGAAACCTGAAATATTGGAGT  
 Brachymystax lenok GGACTCTACTACGGATCCTATTTATATAAAGAAACCTGAAATATTGGAGT  
 Salmo salar GGACTTTATTATGGTTCTATCTATATAAAGAAACCTGAAATATCGGAGT  
 Oncorhynchus keta GGACTTTATTACGGATCCTACCTGTACAAGAAACCTGAAATATCGGAGT  
 Gadus morhua GGTCTCTATTATGGTTCTATCTTTTGTAGAGACATGAAACATCGGGGT  
 Amphilophus alfari GGGTTACTACGGCTCCTACCTTTACAAGAAACATGAAACGTTGGAGT  
 Paraneetroplus siebold GGACTATACTATGGCTCCTACCTCTATAAAGAAACATGAAATGTAGGAGT  
 Tomocichla tuba GGGTTACTACGGCTCCTACCTCTATAAAGAAACATGAAACGTCGGAGT  
 Poeciliopsis monacha GGCCTATACTACGGCTCCTACCTCTACAAGAAACATGAAACATTTGGAGT  
 Saurida elongata GGCTTATACTACGGGCTTATCTTTACATGGAGACCTGAAACATCGGAGT  
 Chlorophthalmus albatrossis GGGCTTTATTATGGCTCATATTTGTACAAGAAACATGAAACGTAGGTGT  
 Chlorophthalmus sp GGACTTTACTACGGCTCATACCTCTATAAAGAAACCTGAAACGTTGGCGT  
 Trachinocephalus myops GGCCTTACTATGGTTCATACCTTTATAAGGAGACCTGAAACGTAGGTGT  
 Synodus ulae GGACTGTACTATGGGTCATACCTCTACATAGAGACCTGAAATATCGGGGT  
 Synodus hoshinonis GGCCTCTACTACGGCTCATACCTCTACATAGAAACCTGAAATATTGGTGT  
 Sebastes umbrosus GGACTTTACTACGGCTCATACCTCTATAAAGAAACATGAAACATCGGGGT  
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Salvelinus alpinus AGTATTACTACTTCTAACTATAATGACTGCCTTTGTAGGCTACGTTCTTC  
 Brachymystax lenok AGTACTACTACTTCTCACCATGATAACTGCCTTTGTCCGCTATGTCCTTC  
 Salmo salar TGTACTTCTACTTCTCACTATAAATACTGCCTTCGTAGGCTACGTTCTTC  
 Oncorhynchus keta TGTACTTTTACTTCTCACTATAAATACTGCATTTCGTGGGCTACGTCCTCC  
 Gadus morhua TGTCTTTTCTTTTGTAGTAATAAATAACCTCTTTCGTAGGTTATGTCCTCC  
 Amphilophus alfari TATCCTTCTCCTCCTAACCATATAAATACTGCCTTCGTAGGCTATGTCCTCC  
 Paraneetroplus siebold TGTCTCTCCTCTTTAACCATATAAACCCTTCGTAGGCTATGTCCTTC  
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 Poeciliopsis monacha AGTACTTCTTCTACTTGTATAAATAACCCTTCGTGGGATACGTCCTCC  
 Saurida elongata AATTCTGCTTCTTCTAGTAATAAATACTGCCTTCGTTGGTTATGTTCTCC  
 Chlorophthalmus albatrossis CATCTTATTACTTCTCGTTATGATGACTGCCTTCGTGGGCTACGTTCTGC  
 Chlorophthalmus sp TATCCTATTACTTCTCGTCATGATAACCCTTCGTAGGCTACGTCCTCC  
 Trachinocephalus myops GATCCTCCTCCTTTCGTATGATGACCGCTTCGTGGGCTACGTCCTAC  
 Synodus ulae TATTCTTCTTCTCCTTGTATGATGACCGCTTCGTAGGTTACGTACTCC  
 Synodus hoshinonis CGTTCCTTCTTCTACTCGTAATAAATAACCCTTCGTGGGATACGTTCTTC  
 Sebastes umbrosus AGTTCATTACTTCTAGTTATAAATACTGCCTTCGTGGGTTATGTCCTAC  
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Salvelinus alpinus CATGAGGGCAAATATCCTTCTGAGGAGCCACTGTAATCACAAACCTCCTC  
 Brachymystax lenok CATGAGGACAAATATCCTTCTGAGGAGCCACTGTAATCACCAACCTCCTA  
 Salmo salar CATGAGGACAAATATCCTTCTGAGGAGCCACTGTAATTACAAACCTCCTC  
 Oncorhynchus keta CGTGAGGACAAATATCCTTCTGAGGAGCCACTGTAATTACAAACCTTCTT  
 Gadus morhua CCTGAGGACAAATATCATTCTGAGGAGCTACCGTAATTACGAATTTAATA  
 Amphilophus alfari CATGAGGACAAATATCCTTCTGAGGAGCCACTGTAATCACCAACCTCCTC  
 Paraneetroplus siebold CATGAGGACAAATGTCCTTCTGAGGGGCTACCGTTATTACCAACCTCCTC  
 Tomocichla tuba CATGAGGACAAATATCCTTTTGTAGGAGCTACCGTCATCACCAACCTCCTC  
 Poeciliopsis monacha CATGAGGACAAATATCCTTCTGAGGAGCTACCGTAATTACCAACCTCCTC  
 Saurida elongata CTTGAGGACAAATATCCTTTTGGGGGGCCACAGTTATTACTAACCTATTA  
 Chlorophthalmus albatrossis CCTGAGGACAAATGTCCTTCTGAGGGGCAACTGTAATTACCAACCTCTTG  
 Chlorophthalmus sp CCTGAGGACAAATGTCCTTCTGAGGAGCAACCGTAATTACCAATCTTCTG  
 Trachinocephalus myops CTTGAGGTCAGATGTCCTTCTGAGGGCCACTGTAATCACCAACCTTCTT  
 Synodus ulae CTTGAGGTCAAATGTCCTTCTGAGGGGCAACTGTAATTACCAACCTTTTA  
 Synodus hoshinonis CCTGAGGACAAATGTCCTTCTGAGGTCACCGTCATCACCAACCTCATA  
 Sebastes umbrosus CCTGAGGCAAATATCCTTTTGTAGGTCACCGTTATCACCAACCTACTC  
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Salvelinus alpinus TCCGCTGTCCTTACGTAGGAGGTGCCCTGTACAATGAATTTGAGGCGG  
 Brachymystax lenok TCCGCCGTCCCATAATGTTGGAGGCGCCCTAGTACAATGAATTTGAGGAGG  
 Salmo salar TCCGCTGTCCCCTACGTAGGAGGCGCCCTGTACAATGAATTTGAGGAGG  
 Oncorhynchus keta TCCGCTGTCCCCTACGTAGGAGGCGCCCTAGTACAATGAATTTGAGGCGG  
 Gadus morhua TCTACTGTTCCCTATGTAGGTGATGCCCTAGTTCAATGGATCTGAGGAGG  
 Amphilophus alfari TCCGCTATCCCGTACATCGGCAATTCCCTTGTCCAATGACTCTGAGGTGG  
 Paraneetroplus siebold TCCGCAATTCCTTACATTGGCAACTCTCTAGTTCAATGGCTTTGAGGTGG  
 Tomocichla tuba TCCGCAGTCCCTTACATTGGCAACTCCCTGGTCCAATGACTTTGAGGTGG  
 Poeciliopsis monacha TCCGCTGTCCCCTATATAGGAAACACCCCTGTCCAATGAATCTGAGGTGG  
 Saurida elongata TCCGCCGTCCCCTACGTAGGACACCCTCGTGAATGAATTTGGGGAGG  
 Chlorophthalmus albatrossis TCCGCAGTCCCATACTAGGAAATGCCCTAGTTCAATGGATCTGAGGGGG  
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 Trachinocephalus myops TCTGCCGTCCCCTACGTGCGGAACACCCCTGTACAGTGAATTTGGGGTGG  
 Synodus ulae TCTGCCGTCCCATACTGTTGTAATACCCCTGTCCAATGAATTTGAGGCGG  
 Synodus hoshinonis TCCGCCGTCCCATAATGTTGTAACACCCCTGGTCCAATGATTTGAGGTGG  
 Sebastes umbrosus TCTGAAGTACCCTACGTAGGTAACGCCCTTGTCAATGAATTTGAGGTGG  
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 Brachymystax lenok ATTCTCGTAGACAACGCTACCCTGACACGATTTTTCGCCCTTCCACTTCC  
 Salmo salar ATTTTCTGTAGACAACGCCACCCTAACACGATTTTTCGCCCTTCCACTTCC  
 Oncorhynchus keta GTTCTCGTTGACAACGCCACCCTAACACGATTTTTCGCCCTTTCACCTCC  
 Gadus morhua TTTCTCAGTAGATAATGCTACCCTAACCTCGGTTTTTTCGATTCACCTTCT  
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 Tomocichla tuba CTTTTAGTAGATAACGCCACCCTCACCCGATTCCTTTCGCCCTTCCACTTCC  
 Poeciliopsis monacha ATTTTCTGTAGACAACGCCACCCTAACCCGATTCCTTTCGCCCTTCCACTTCC  
 Saurida elongata ATTTTCTGTAGACAACGCCACCCTAACCCGATTCCTTTCGCCCTTCCACTTCC  
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 Chlorophthalmus sp CTCTCAGTTGATAACGCCACACTCACCCGATTCCTTTCGCCCTTCCACTTCC  
 Trachinocephalus myops GTTCTCGTAGATAACGCCACGCTTACTCGCTTCTTTCGCCCTTCCACTTTC  
 Synodus ulae GTTTTCGGTCGATAATGCCACCCTCACCCGATTCCTTTCGCCCTTTCACCTTTC  
 Synodus hoshinonis ATTTCTCAGTAGACAACGCCACCCTAACCCGATTTTTCGCCCTTTCACCTTTC  
 Sebastes umbrosus GTTCTCAGTAGACAATGCCACCCTAACCCGATTCCTTTCGCCCTTTCACCTTTC  
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 Salmo salar TATTCCTTCGTTATTGCAGCTGCCACAGTACTTCACCTTCTATTTCG  
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 Tomocichla tuba TCCTCCCATTTATCATCGCAGCCATAACAATAATCCACCTAATCTTCCTA  
 Poeciliopsis monacha TCCTCCCATTTATCATCGCAGCCATAACAATAATCCACCTAATCTTCCTA  
 Saurida elongata TATTCCTTCGTTATTGCAGCTGCCACAGTACTTCACCTTCTATTTCG  
 Chlorophthalmus albatrossis TCTTCCCATTCGTCATCGCCGCTAACAGTACTTCACCTGTTGTTCTT  
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Brachymystax lenok	GGCCAAGTCGCCTCTGTAATTTACTTCACCATCTTCTAATCCTCGCCCC
Salmo salar	GGTCAAATTCCTCTGTAATTTACTTTACTATCTTCTAGTCTTGCCTCGCCCC
Oncorhynchus keta	GGCCAAATTCCTCTGTAATCTACTTCACCATCTTCTAGTCTTTCCCTCGCCCC
Gadus morhua	GGACAAGTGGCATCAGTACTATAATTTCTCCCTCTTCTAGTTTTATTCCC
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Paraneetroplus siebold	GGCCAAATTCGCATCTTCTCTATTTCTTCTCTTCTTATTTTACTGCC
Tomocichla tuba	GGCCAAATTCGCTTCTTCTCTACTTCTTCTATTTCTTATTTTACTGCC
Poeciliopsis monacha	GGTCAAGTAGCCTCCCTCCTACTTCTCCCTATTCTAGTCTCTCCCTCGCCCC
Saurida elongata	GGCCAGGTGCTTCTTCTCTATTTCTTCTGCTCTTGGTCTTAGTCCC
Chlorophthalmus albatrossis	GGTCAAGTAGCATCGTTCCTATACTTTCTTCTCTCTAGTACTCTCACC
Chlorophthalmus sp	GGCCAGGTAGCATCGTTCCTATACTTTCTTCTCTCTTCTTAGTCTATCGCC
Trachinocephalus myops	GGACAGGTAGCTTCTTCTATACTTTCTTCTTCTTCTGCTACTAGCCCC
Synodus ulae	GGCCAAGTTGCCTCTTCTTACTTCTTCTACTGTTGCTATTGTCCTCGCCCC
Synodus hoshinonis	GGACAAGTGGCTCTTTCTTACTTCTTCTACTTCTTTTGTCTATCTCC
Sebastes umbrosus	GGACAAGTTGCTCTTTTTATACTTTTTCTTTTTCTAGTCTTACACC
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Salmo salar	CCTGGCTGGCTGAGCTGAAAAATAAGCTCTTGAATGA
Oncorhynchus keta	CTTAGCCGGCTGGCCGAAAAATAAGCCCTCCAATGA
Gadus morhua	CCTTGCCAGGAATAACTGAAAAATAAGCCCTTGAATGA
Amphilophus alfari-sj	CATCTCTGGACTAGCAGAAAAATAAATATTTGCATAA
Paraneetroplus siebold	CATTGCCGGACTAGCAGAAAAATAAATATTTGCATAA
Tomocichla tuba	CACCCGCCGACTAGCAGAAAAATAAATATTTGCATAA
Poeciliopsis monacha	CACTGCAGCATGAGTAGAAAAATAAATCCTCGGATGA
Saurida elongata	CGCTGCAGGGTGACTAGAAAAATAAGCACCTTGAATGA
Chlorophthalmus albatrossis	CTTAGCCGGCTGAGTGGAGAATAAAGCCCTTGAATGA
Chlorophthalmus sp	CCTTGCCGGATGGGTAGAGAACAAGCCCTTAAATGA
Trachinocephalus myops	CCTCGCCGGCTGGGTTGAGAATAAAGCCCTTGAATGA
Synodus ulae	AATTGCAGGGTGATTAGAAAAATAAGCCCTTGAATGA
Synodus hoshinonis	TATGGCAGGCTGACTGAAAAATAAGCCCTCGAATGA
Sebastes umbrosus	ACTAGCAGGCTACGCAGAGGACAAAGCACCTTGAATGA
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Fig 3.1 (continued)

used in the phylogenetic analysis were as follows: NC000861 *Salvelinus alpinus*, AF125213 *Brachymystax lenok*, U12143 *Salmo salar*, AF125212 *Oncorhynchus keta*, NC002081 *Gadus morhua*, AF009950 *Amphilophus alfari*, AF009937 *Paraneetroplus siebold*, AF009941 *Tomocichla tuba*, AF047346 *Poeciliopsis monacha*, and AF031516 *Sebastes umbrosus*. For the NJ analyses, Kimura's two-parameter distance correction (Kimura, 1980) was made by using all positions of a codon and excluding gap sites. Statistical confidence of the phylogenetic tree was assessed using bootstrapping (1000 iterations).

### 3.2.3 Cytogenetic analysis

In order to investigate cytogenetic features of these species of Aulopiformes, I made preparation of chromosomes in *Synodus ulae*, *Synodus hoshinonis*, and *Trachinocephalus myops* and *Chlorophthalmus albatrossis*. To increase the number of metaphase cells, animals were colchicized by an intraperitoneal injection of colchicine solution three hours before preparation. Kidneys were then removed and minced. Kidney cell suspension was treated by hypotonic solution (75 mM KCl) for 30 min at room temperature and was fixed with methanol and acetic acid (3 :1). The fixed materials were dropped onto precleaned slides and were air-dried. Slides were stained by Giemsa solution. In metaphase cells, the nuclear organizer regions (NORs) were observed by the silver staining method (Howell and Black 1980), and the constitutive heterochromatin was demonstrated by the

C-banding method (Sumner 1972). I observed 20 to 30 cells of metaphase for each species.

### 3.3 Results

#### 3.3.1 Phylogenetic analysis

The topology of the phylogenetic tree suggested that the six Aulopiform species examined formed a monophyletic group, although the bootstrap value at the branching point between a cluster which consist of the genus of *Saurida* and the other five species was a bit low (Fig. 3.2). I also found that the two synchronous hermaphroditic species of the order Aulopiformes were grouped as a single cluster with a high bootstrap value (99%). On the other hand, six gonochoristic species were separated into four clusters. One cluster (called "cluster 1") contained *Trachinocephalus myops* and the three hermaphroditic species. The second cluster (called "cluster 2") was composed of the two gonochoristic species, *Synodus ulae* and *Synodus hoshinonis*. The third cluster (called "cluster 3") contains one gonochoristic species, *Aulopus japonicus*. The last cluster (called "cluster 4") contains two gonochoristic species, *Saurida* sp. and *Saurida elongata*.

#### 3.3.2 Cytogenetic analysis of sex chromosomes

It is generally believed that heteromorphic sex chromosomes of fish are

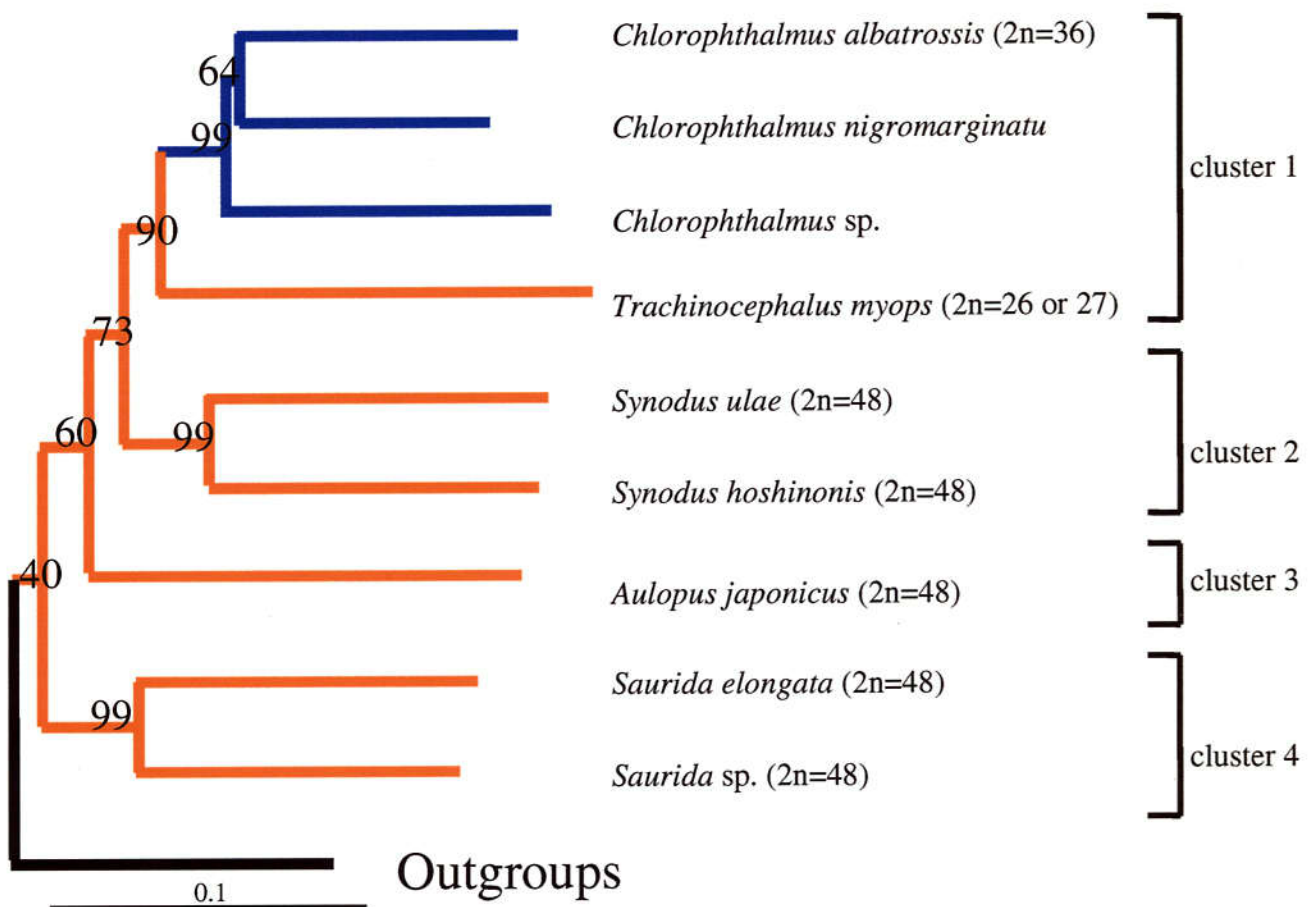


Fig. 3.2 Phylogenetic tree cytochrome *b* in the order Aulopiformes reconstructed by the neighbor-joining method.

A gray box indicated hermaphroditic species.

A white box indicated gonochoristic species.

The numbers in parentheses indicate the number of diploid chromosomes.



indistinguishable under the microscope, whereas *Saurida elongata* was suggested to have one microchromosome as a possible sex chromosome in the female (Nishikawa and Sakamoto 1978). At first, I inspected cytogenetic features in three gonochoristic species (*Synodus ulae*, *Synodus hoshinonis* and *Trachinocephalus myops* in Fig. 3.2). Surprisingly, I found that heteromorphic sex chromosomes are present in all three species. Herein, I investigated these heteromorphic sex chromosomes in detail by the C-band and the silver staining methods, and I obtained clearly stained metaphases in several preparations. In fact, the microchromosome in the female of *Synodus ulae* was stained in the whole region by the C-band staining method (Fig. 3.3). Likewise, by the silver staining method, the microchromosome in the female of *Synodus hoshinonis* was clearly detected in the entire region except centromeric region (Fig. 3.4). Because these microchromosomes stained by the C-band or silver staining methods were not detected in the males of *Synodus ulae* and *Synodus hoshinonis*, I propose that these microchromosomes are heteromorphic sex chromosomes. I also found that only female individuals had heteromorphic sex chromosomes in *Trachinocephalu myops* because single acrocentric and subtelocentric chromosomes in only females were stained by the C-band staining method (Fig. 3.5). As a result, gonochoristic species were found to have generally heteromorphic sex chromosomes. On the other hand, heteromorphic chromosomes were not found in any of the hermaphroditic species (Fig. 3.6), implying that the sex chromosomes do not exist in the hermaphroditic species.

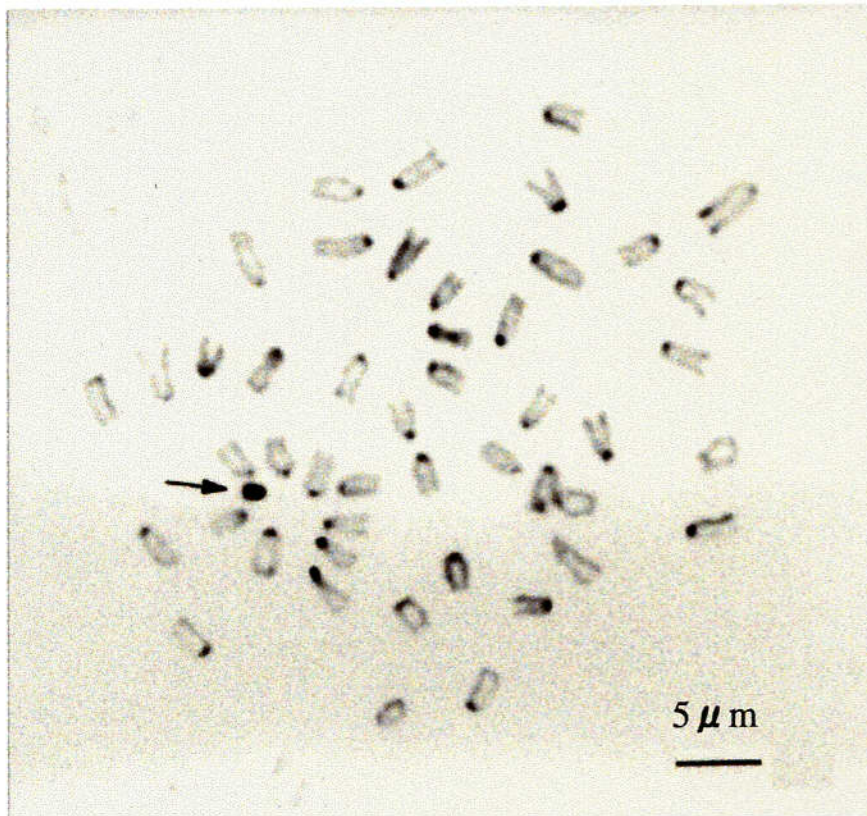


Fig. 3.3 C-band staining of metaphase chromosomes of a female in *Synodus ulae*. The arrow indicates a heterochromatin region.

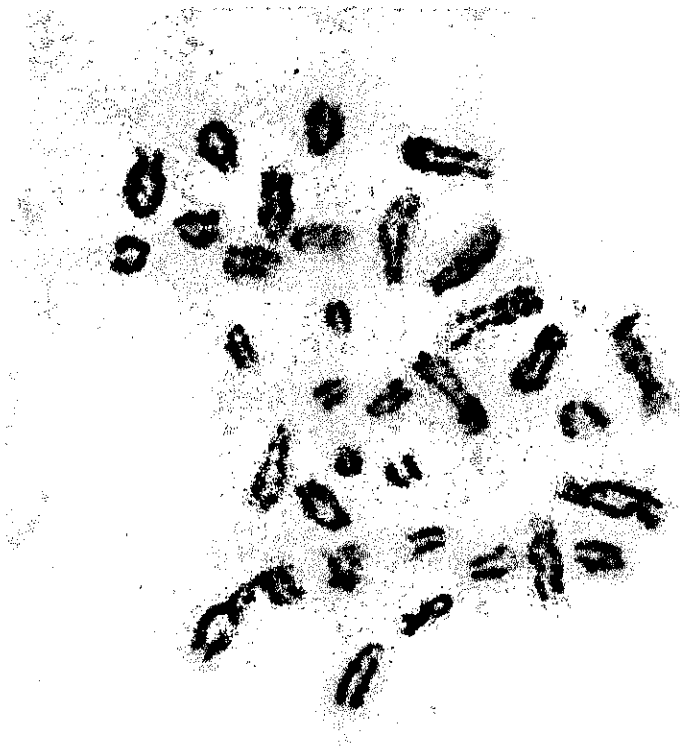


Fig. 3.4 Silver staining of metaphase chromosomes of a female in *Synodus hoshinonis*. The arrow indicates the NORs region.





Fig. 3.5 C-band staining of metaphase chromosomes of a female in *Trachinocephalus myops*. Arrows indicate the heterochromatin region.



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Fig. 3.6 Silver staining a metaphase chromosome in *Chlorophthalmus albatrossis*.

### 3.3.3 The number of diploid chromosomes

I counted the number of diploid chromosomes in three gonochoristic species and one hermaphroditic species. In both males and females, *Synodus ulae* and *Synodus hoshinonis* had 48 chromosomes (Figs. 3.3-4). For *Trachinocephalus myops*, I found a difference in the number of chromosomes between males and females: Males had 26 chromosomes whereas females had 27 chromosomes (Fig 3.5). For the hermaphroditic species (*Chlorophthalmus albatrossis*), I found 36 chromosomes (Fig. 3.6).

Because a female of *Saurida elongata* has been reported to have 48 chromosomes (Nishikawa and Sakamoto 1978), all the three species, *Synodus ulae*, *Synodus hoshinonis* and *Saurida elongata*, have the same number of chromosomes. Thus, the common ancestor of the two genera of *Saurida* and *Synodus* was considered to have 48 chromosomes. Since the numbers of chromosomes for *Trachinocephalus myops* and *Chlorophthalmus albatrossis* differ from those of the *Saurida* and *Synodus* species significantly, it is highly probable that the lineage leading to cluster 1 has been subjected to extensive chromosomal rearrangements, so that the chromosome numbers may have been reduced.

### 3.4 Discussion

According to Smith's proposal (1975), gonochoristic species were expected to have been derived from hermaphroditic species. However, our molecular phylogenetic analysis clearly indicated that hermaphroditic species were evolutionarily derived from gonochoristic species. Although it is difficult to estimate the time of emergence of hermaphroditic species in Aulopiformes, the phylogenetic tree obtained (Fig. 3.2) suggests they emerged immediately after other Aulopiform species had diverged from the common ancestor.

Our cytogenetic data indicates that gonochoristic species had heteromorphic sex chromosomes. According to a previous paper (Nishikawa and Sakamoto 1978), *Saurida elongata* was reported to have one microchromosome as a possible sex chromosome in a female. Those facts indicated that the microchromosomes were retained in the genus of *Saurida* and *Synodus*. Thus, it can be inferred that the common ancestor of the genus of *Saurida* and *Synodus* possessed the microchromosomes. In other words, heteromorphic sex chromosomes had been established once in the evolutionary course of the order of Aulopiformes. However, our cytogenetic analysis as well as molecular phylogenetic analysis indicated that the hermaphroditic species might have lost the heteromorphic sex chromosomes during evolution. Thus, I suggest a possibility that heteromorphic sex chromosomes can disappear from the genome even if they have appeared once in evolution.

Here, I focused on the number of chromosomes to examine the disappearance process of sex chromosomes. I pointed out that chromosome numbers of the species in cluster 1 ( $2n = 26$  to  $36$ ) differ from clusters 2, 3 and 4 ( $2n = 48$ ), indicating that large scale rearrangement of chromosomes has occurred in the lineage of cluster 1. Thus, it is quite possible that disappearance of sex chromosomes was accomplished along with the large-scale rearrangement of chromosomes.

Taking into account Ohno's hypothesis (1967) that heteromorphic sex chromosomes might have emerged from autosomes, I propose the hypothesis that heteromorphic sex chromosomes have undergone repeated events of appearance and disappearance in the evolutionary course of fish.



# Chapter 4

## Estimation of genome size in the order Aulopiformes

### 4.1 Introduction

According to Ohno (1970), genome duplication hardly occurs in mammals, bird and reptiles, which have highly differentiated sex chromosomes, because genome duplication disrupt the sex determination systems of them. On the other hand, in amphibian and fish species, which have not highly differentiated sex chromosomes, genome duplication is allowed.

Many researchers have observed various genome sizes in fish species (Ohno 1970; Hingegardner and Rosen 1972; Tiersch et al. 1989; Vadim et al. 1993; Ronchetti et al. 1995; Suzuki et al. 1995; Alexander 1998; Lamatsch et al. 2000). The large variation of genome size is due to duplication, deletion and large-scale rearrangement in chromosomes.

In Chapter 3, I mentioned that gonochoristic aulopiform species have female heteromorphic sex chromosomes. I also described that hermaphroditic species are different from gonochoristic species in the

number of diploid chromosomes. The data of the number of diploid chromosomes suggest that large-scale chromosome rearrangements have occurred in evolution. To investigate the large-scale chromosome rearrangement in detail, I estimated the genome sizes of gonochristic and hermaphroditic species, and compared one with the other and compared gonochristic species with hermaphroditic species.

## 4.2 Materials and methods

I have chosen two aulopiform species, *Synodus hoshinonis* (gonochristic species) and *Chlorophthalmus albatrossis* (hermaphroditic species), for the comparative analysis. First, whole blood was taken from by a heparinized syringe and fixed by 99% ethanol. The fixed blood was then stained by propidium iodide. Fixed and stained whole blood of *Oncorhynchus mkissis* was used as control. Since the fluorescent intensity corresponds to the amount of DNA, I measured the fluorescent intensity of propidium iodide by using EPICS ALTRA flow cytometer (Beckman Coulter). To estimate the genome size, I compared the samples from *S. hoshinonis* and *C. albatrossis* with control (*O. mkissis*) in the fluorescent intensity of propidium iodide.

### 4.3 Results

Both gonochoristic and hermaphroditic species showed a half of the fluorescent intensity of the control (Fig. 4.1 and 4.2). The result indicates that there is no obvious difference between the gonochoristic and hermaphroditic species in the genome size. The genome size of gonochoristic and hermaphroditic species are a half of the *O. mkissis* of genome size.

### 4.4 Discussion

There are many reports about the genome size in fish species (Ohno 1970; Hingegardner and Rosen 1972; Tiersch et al. 1989; Vadim et al. 1993; Ronchetti et al. 1995; Suzuki et al. 1995; Alexander 1998; Lamatsch et al. 2000). Since the reported data of DNA contents were indicated in weight per cell (picogram/cell), I converted my data to DNA contents (pg/cell) to compare them with the reported data. It is known that *O. mkissis*, has 5.5 pg/cell in DNA contents (Pierrez and Ronot 1991). Taking into account this value (5.5 pg/cell), I could calculate the weight of DNA per cell for the two. My estimation indicates that both the gonochoristic and hermaphroditic specie have 2.75 pg/cell in DNA contents.

According to Hingerdner and Rosen (1972), two gonochoristic aulopiform species (*Synodus lucioceps* and *Synodus foetens*) have 2.4 pg/cell.

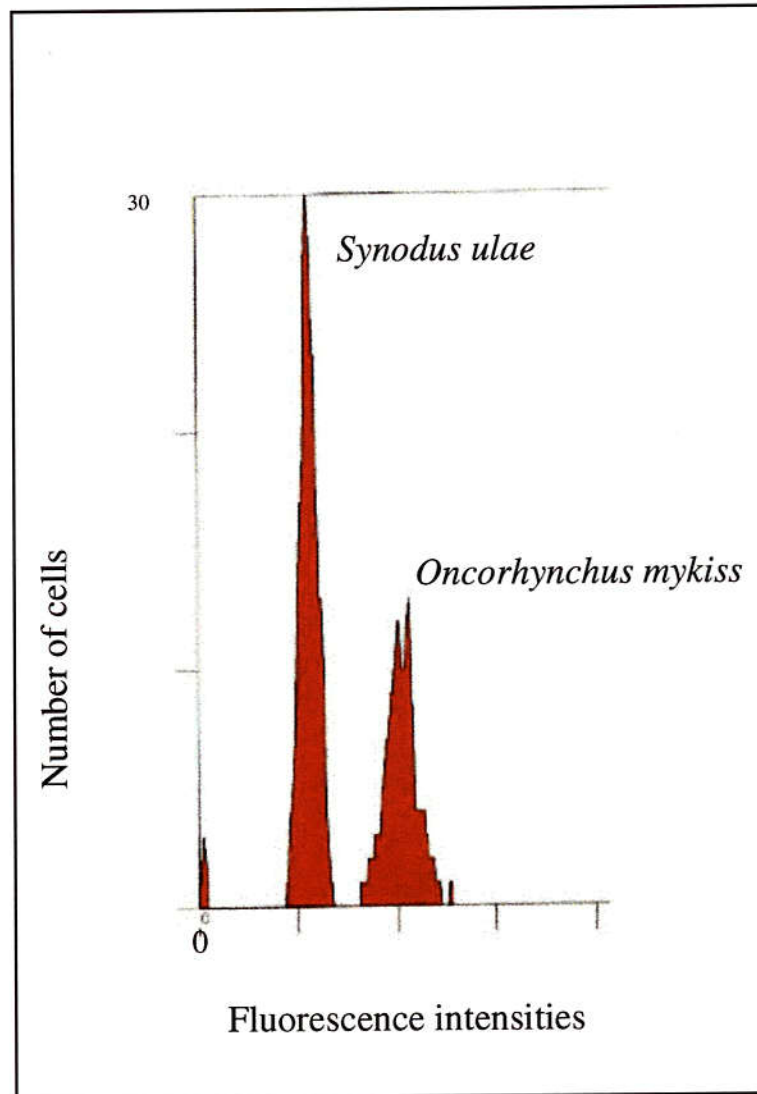


Fig. 4.1 Histogram of genome size measurement by flowcytometer in *Synodus ulae* and *Oncorhynchus mikiss* (control).

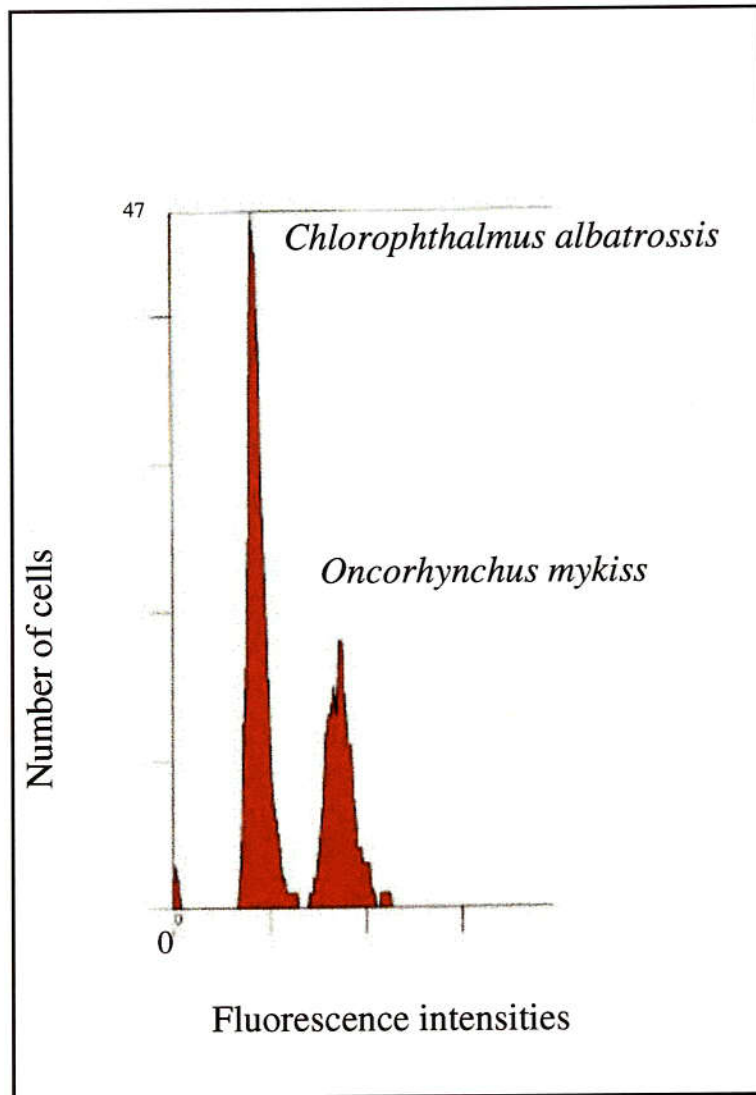


Fig. 4.2 Histogram of genome size measurement by flowcytometer in *Chlorophthalmus albatrossis* and *Oncorhynchus mikiss* (control).

This value (2.4 pg/cell) is close to my data (2.75 pg/cell). Therefore, the genome size might have been stable in aulopiform species in evolution. This indicates that the large-scale chromosomes rearrangement in the aulopiform species have occurred without large-scale changes in genome size.

# Chapter 5

## Identification of Z chromosomes in *Aulopus japonicus*

### 5.1 Introduction

Sex of mammals and birds is strongly controlled by the genetic sex determination system. Namely, the highly differentiated sex chromosomes such as XY chromosome or ZW chromosome systems are commonly observed in mammals and birds. On the other hand, sex of fish is generally not so strongly controlled by the genetic sex determination system. Thus, highly differentiated sex chromosomes are not observed in most fish species. Therefore, it is difficult to find a common rule in the occurrences of differentiated sex chromosomes in fish species. Indeed, the occurrence of sex chromosomes does not correspond to phylogenetic relationships among fish species (Ojima 1983). There is report of fish that the XY and ZW sex determination systems exist in the same lineage (Galetti Jr et al. 1981). Taking into account these reports, I have concluded that highly differentiated sex chromosomes are not conserved in the same lineage for long time of fish species.

In chapter 2, I mentioned the finding of female heteromorphic sex chromosome systems in the order Aulopiformes. Since all the species studied have a female heteromorphic sex chromosome, the ZW chromosome system might be conserved among the gonochoristic species. I could clearly identify a very small chromosome as W chromosome in the gonochoristic aulopiform species. However, I could not identify the Z chromosome in gonochoristic aulopiform species studied in chapter 3, because morphological difference is not clear between Z chromosomes and autosomes.

There are reports on the presence of repetitive sequences in sex chromosome in several fish species (Galetti and Foresti 1986; Nanda et al. 1993; Moran et al. 1996; Born and Bertollo 2000). In my study, repetitive sequences have been identified on W chromosome in two aulopiforme species (*Synodus ulae* and *Synodus hoshinonis*) by using C-banding and silver staining methods. If Z chromosome also contains a characteristic repetitive sequence in the aulopiform species, we would identify Z chromosome by using it as probe for Fluorescence *in-situ* hybridization (FISH).

*Aulopus japonicus* also tends to inhabit shallow waters and belongs to the gonochoritic aulopiform. It has two advantageous points. Firstly, we can easily obtain many specimens in this species. Secondly, we can keep this species in an aquarium tank for a long time. Thus, to investigate a sex chromosome at the molecular level, this species would be a suitable material.

In this chapter, I will describe how I identify Z chromosome by using 5S rDNA and telomeric repetitive sequence as probe for FISH. I sequenced 5S rDNA and its adjacent non-transcribed intergenic spacers (NTS).



## 5.2 Materials and methods

### 5.2.1 Samples

Fourteen specimens of *Aulopus japonicus* (seven male and seven female individuals) were collected in the Suruga bay. All of the samples were sexed by macroscopic examination of the gonad. Six specimens (three male and three female individuals) of *Aulopus japonicus* were used for FISH analyses, and all the fourteen specimens were used for sequencing 5S rDNA and NTS.

### 5.2.2 DNA extraction and PCR amplification

The blood of *Aulopus japonicus* was diluted in TNES-urea buffer (Asahida et al. 1996). After keeping it for several days to weeks at room temperature, 20 ul protenase K was added and the solution was incubated about 2 hours at 60°C. This was followed by two phenol-chloroform and two chloroform extractions. After precipitation with two volumes of ethanol, the pellet was rinsed in 70% ethanol, moderately dried and dissolved in Tris-EDTA buffer. 5S rDNA sequences were amplified by using PCR for all the specimen. The primers used were 5SF and 5SR (Pendas et al. 1994). The thermal cycle profile was carried out under 10 s at 94°C, annealing for 10 s at 55°C and extension for 20 s at 72°C.

### 5.2.3 Preparation of probes

The PCR products of 5S rDNA sequence were labeled by fluorescein isothiocyanate (FITC). A telomeric sequence (TTAGGG) was labeled by fluorescent cyanine dye (Cy3). To label the 5S rDNA and telomeric sequences, I conducted PCR reaction as the following cycle profile: denaturation for 10 sec at 94°C, annealing for 10 sec at 55°C and extension for 60 sec at 72°C.

### 5.2.4 Chromosome slides and Fluorescence

#### *in-situ* hybridization (FISH)

In order to perform FISH, I prepared chromosome slides. To increase the number of metaphase cells, the specimens were colchicized by intraperitoneal injection of colchicines solution 3 hours before preparation. Kidneys were then removed and minced, and its cell suspension was treated by hypotonic solution (75 mM KCl) for 30 min at room temperature. The suspension was then fixed with methanol and acetic acid (3:1). The fixed materials were dropped onto precleaned slides and air-dried. The slides were stained by Giemsa solution.

To conduct Fluorescence *in-situ* hybridization, chromosomal DNA and the probes were denatured by 70% formamide solution at 70-85 °C. The probes is placed on the slide and the slide were incubated at 37°C during overnight. After washing the slides, they were counterstained by 4',

6-diamidino-2-phenylindole (DAPI). The slides were observed under the fluorescence microscope.

### 5.2.5 Cloning and nucleotide sequencing

The PCR products were cloned into pT7Blue vector (Novagen) and sequenced by using dye-labeled terminations (Applied Biosystems). I sequenced partial 5S rDNA and NTS regions in 85 clones; 33 clones derived from a male individual and 52 clones derived from a female individual. These sequence were aligned by ClustalX (Thompson et al. 1997)

## 5.3 Results

### 5.3.1 Cytogenetic features and FISH analyses

In order to study cytogenetic features of this species, I performed Giemsa staining. Then, I compared the male with the female in cytogenetic feature under the microscope. All the female individuals have a heteromorphic chromosome that is clearly distinguished from the other chromosomes. Therefore, it can be said that *Aulopus japonicus* has a female heteromorphic sex chromosome as shown in Fig 5.1.

In both the male and female individuals, 48 chromosomes were observed. The number of diploid chromosomes is similar to those of most gonochoristic aulopiform species. There is no difference between the male

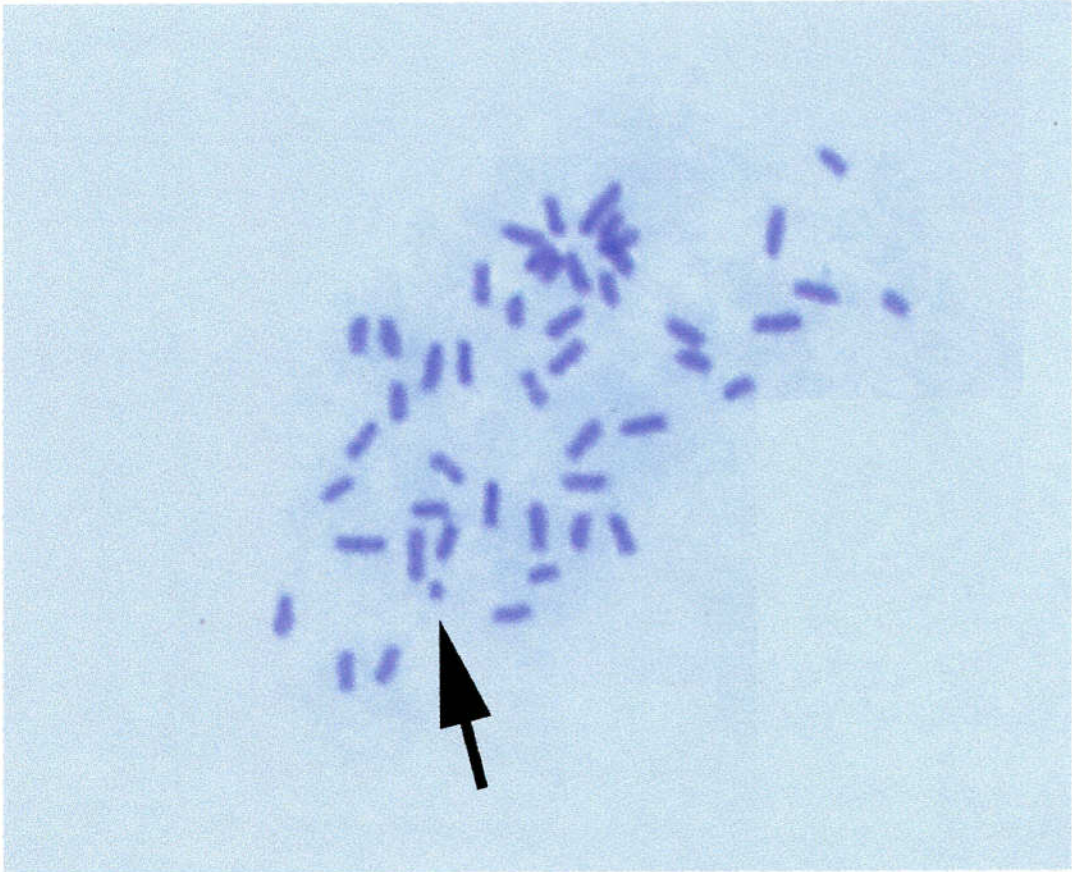


Fig. 5.1 Giemsa staining of metaphase chromosome of a female in *Aulopus japonicus*. The arrow indicates a heteromorphic sex chromosome.

and female individuals in the number of diploid chromosomes. Taking into account the female heteromorphic chromosome and the number of diploid chromosomes, I argue that *Aulopus japonicus* has the ZW chromosome system. While I could identify W chromosome, I could not identify Z chromosome in this species by using Giemsa staining method in this species.

To identify Z chromosome of this species, I used 5S rDNA sequence and a telomeric sequence as probes for FISH analyses. I could detect both 5S rDNA (green) and telomeric sequence (pink) signals as shown in Fig 5.2. Although the signals of the telomeric sequence were detected in most chromosomes, I could not identify Z chromosome by using the telomeric probe.

However, I found a strong signal of 5S rDNA on W chromosome in the female metaphase cells. I also detected double signals of 5S rDNA on a large chromosome (Fig. 5.2). This result indicates that W chromosome has highly repetitive 5S rDNA sequences, and that the large chromosome is Z chromosome. To confirm the existence of Z chromosome, I performed FISH analyses in metaphase cells of the male individuals. In the male metaphase cells, 5S rDNA signals appeared on two large chromosomes (Fig. 5.3). This indicates that the male individual has two copies of Z chromosomes in the diploid cell.

To reveal differences between Z and W chromosomes, I compared the two chromosomes in size and structure. Even though W chromosome is much smaller than Z chromosome, W chromosome has more copies of 5S rDNA than Z chromosome (Fig 5.4). Thus, this species has highly

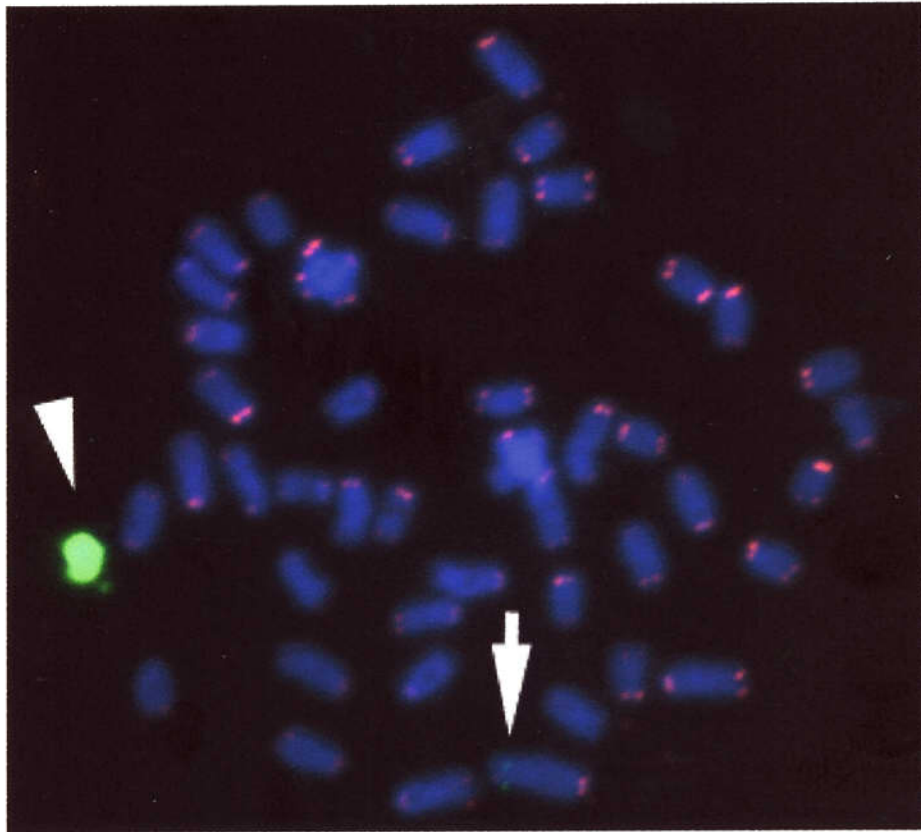


Fig. 5.2 Metaphase chromosomes of a female with 5S rDNA (green) and telomeric sequence (pink) probes in *Aulopus japonicus*. The white arrow indicated Z chromosome. The white arrowhead indicated the W chromosome.

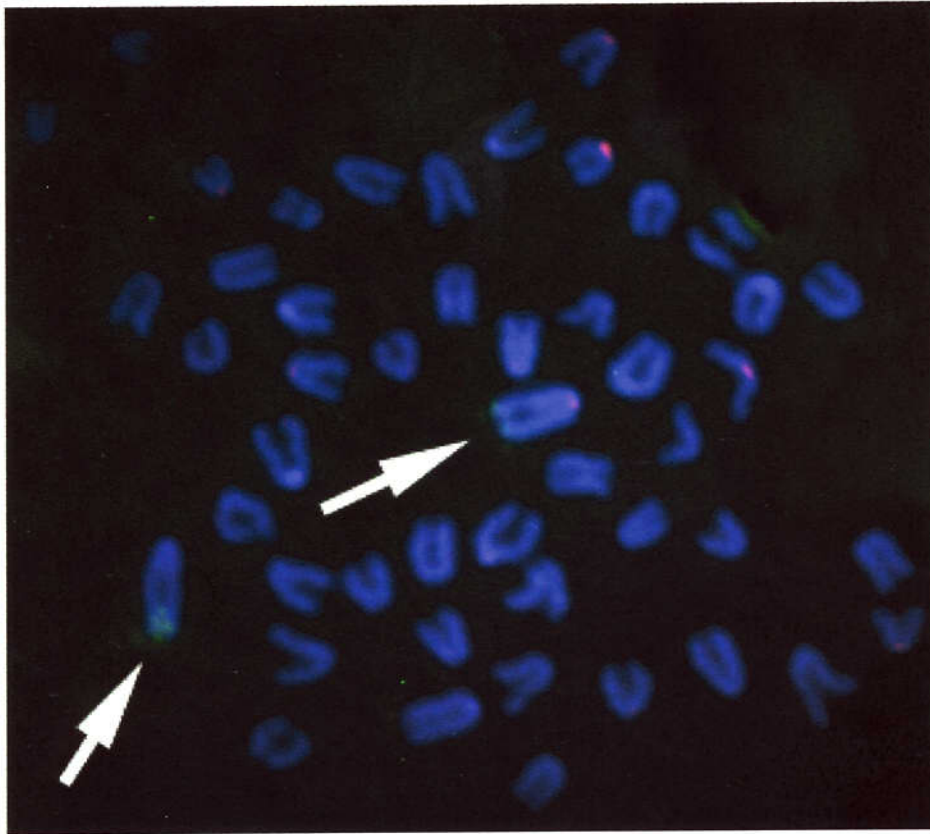


Fig. 5.3 Metaphase chromosomes of male with 5S rDNA (green) and telomeric sequence (pink) probes in *Aulopus japonicus*. White arrows indicated Z chromosomes.

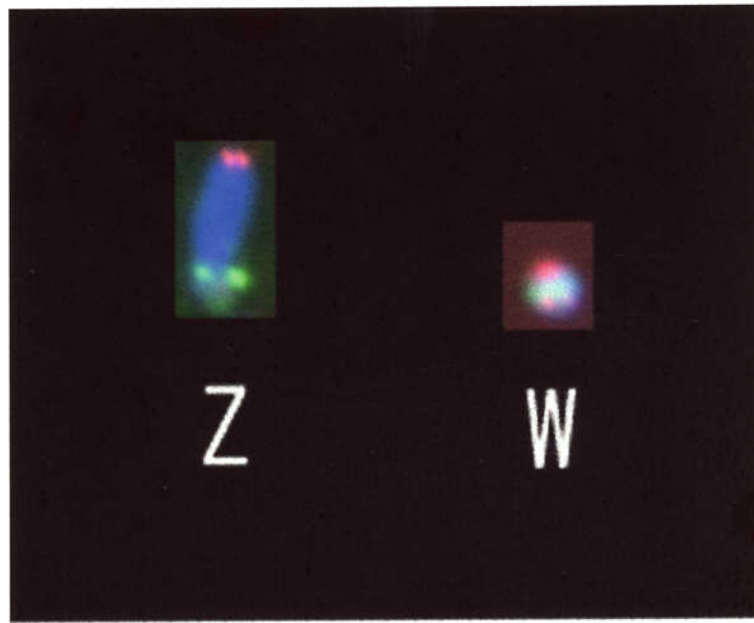


Fig. 5.4 The Z and W chromosomes of *Aulopus japonicus* with 5S rDNA (green) and telomeric sequence (pink) probes.



differentiated the Z and W sex chromosomes both in size and the number of repetitive sequences.

### 5.3.2 Characterization of 5S rDNA and NTS sequence

It has been demonstrated that 5S rDNA sequences are located on Z and W chromosomes in *Aulopus japonicus*. Generally, 5S rDNA and its adjacent non-transcribed intergenic spacer (NTS) form a 5S rDNA cluster. In a trout species (*Onchorhynchus tshawytscha*), different types of NTS are observed in the same individual (Pendas et al. 1994). To elucidate whether *Aulopus japonicus* also has various NTS types or not, I conducted sequencing and PCR amplification in this species.

To investigate the variation of 5S rDNA and NTS of the species, I performed PCR amplification and sequencing. I amplified 5S rDNA sequence and NTS in the seven male and seven female individuals under the same condition. The products of PCR amplification were divided into two DNA fragments of discrete size on the agarose gel. The first band was 900 bp and the second band was approximately 1000 bp in length (Fig. 5.5). Although the male individuals differed from the female ones in efficiency of amplification of the second band, we could detect both bands in all of lanes on the gel. To categorize these fragments, I performed cloning and sequencing of 5S rDNA and NTS. I cloned 85 fragments totally. Thirty-three fragments were derived from a male individual and fifty-five fragments were derived from a female individual. All fragments consist of

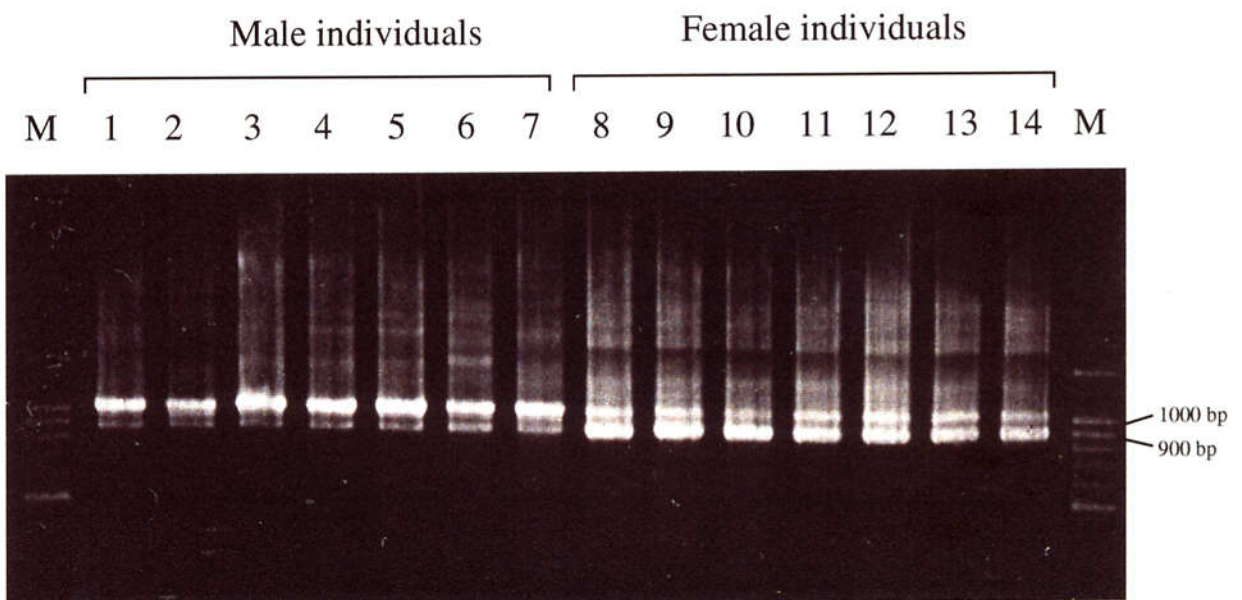


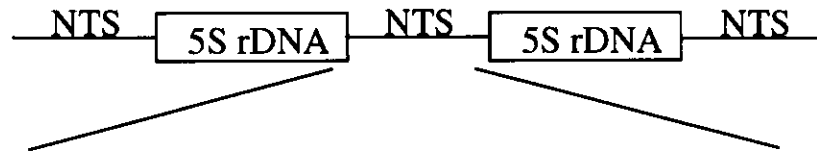
Fig. 5.5 PCR products of 5S rDNA and NTS were size-fractionated by electrophoresis through a 1.5 % agarose gel and stained with ethidium bromide.

5S rDNA and NTS regions. These fragments were clearly categorized into two NTS types. It was difficult to make alignment between first fragment (called “type A”) and second fragments (called “type B”) in NTS regions (Fig 5.6), because the NTS region highly diverged from each other.

To confirm the existence of both “type A” and “type B” in this species, I prepared four primers A5’ (5’-GATTCCGCAGTGAGACACCA-3’), A3’1 (5’-GGATACA- CACACCATACGGTCCAG-3’), B5’ (5’-GATCCACCAAATGGA GGCTACG-5’) and B3’1 (5’-CACAGTGTCCCGTCCGATCGATTGG-3’) from “type A” and “type B” sequences and conducted PCR amplification in seven male and seven female individuals. Using those primers, I amplified PCR products, which are approximately 700bp each (Fig 5.7 and Fig 5.8). The result of PCR amplification indicates that the male and female individuals possess “type A” and “type B” sequences.

## 5.4 Discussion

In chapter 3, I proposed that gonochoristic aulopiform species have the female heteromorphic sex chromosomes. I have also mentioned that *Aulopus japonicus* has a female heteromorphic sex chromosome in this chapter. Moreover, I have shown that W chromosome is smaller than Z chromosome in *Aulopus japonicus*. This result strongly suggests that the species has a highly differentiated ZW chromosome system. Because the heteromorphic sex chromosome is also found in a different family of aulopiform species, it is suggested that the ZW chromosome system has been



### Type A

**TGGGAATACCAGGTGCTGTAAGCC**TTTTTACAGAAATTTTTCACGCCAGTAGAAACAATCTATTAGA  
 TTCCGCAGTGAGACACCAATTTATGAATTATCTTTTCATTTATTTCTCTTTTAAAGAGTTTTGTCTG  
 AGCATTGACACAAAGACTGATAGTAACTGCTGAAAATGACTTTTATCCTACTGTAATACTCTTAA  
 GGATGTAAGTTAAACGTTTTGTTTACATTACATTTGTAATAATGTTATCTTGACCCTCCCGATGG  
 TTTTCTTGAACCTCCCTGAGTGACTGGGGAAAACGTCATGACCCTGCCTCCACTATAAATAACC  
 ATATGCTTTTATTTACACCAAATGTAGGTAGTATTGGAGCCAATGCAACAAGCTAATACCACGG  
 AGGGAGTGAGAGCTATCACCAAAACAACATAATTTCTTCCGCAAAATGCAAATCCTCCTTACAAA  
 CCACATGATCACACAAGCTGTGTGTGCACTTCAGCAGAATATGGGTGCAGCAGCAACCAACCC  
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 TTTAAAAAATGTATTCATAGTTACATCAACCACTTGTTTCAGTAAATAAGTTAGTGGTCAATAAGGA  
 ACAAATCTTGAATAATTCAAACCTGGACCGTATGGTGTGTGTATCCTNAAAAGGCCAATGTNGCC  
 CCACAAGANTCCTN

### Type B

**TGGGAATACCAGGTGCTGAAAGCG**TTTTTATCCACTTTTTTTCACGACAGTCGAAACAATCTATTTAT  
 ACAGCAATGAACCACAAAAACACATACTATGATGCCAAATGGAGGCTACGAACTGAACAGCT  
 GTATTGGGAAGTGAAGGTAGATGTTAAGAATCAAGATGGTTTTTATAGGGGAAGAATAAAAAGATA  
 CACGGTACATTTTATACATACACCTGTAGTCTAGAGCAGTGGTTCCTACCTTTTTTTGTCTTATGT  
 ACCCCTTGAGCTGTTGCCATGCCAACAGTACCCCTCACTCATGCGTGTGATGATTCACTTAAG  
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 ATACGTTCTTAAATACAAAGACATTTACACTTATTGTGAGTGAAAAATAATATTCAGACTTACT  
 CTGAAGCAGTTTTCAACTCCTTTTTGTCAAGTCCCTTGAGCTTTAATGAGACACTTGAGCTTGTGTTGT  
 CTTTCATAAGCTTTGATAGTCTTTTACTAGGTTGTTCTCCACATTTAGCTTTTCTCTACTTCGT  
 TTTGATGTGAGTCAAAGCTGAGGAGGTCACCTCACACATACATCTAACATACATCCCACTAACAT  
 CTGTCATTTTCTGCCAACTGCAAAGTGAAGTGAAGTGAAGTGAAGTGAAGTGAAGTGAAGTGAAGTGAAGT  
 CAATAGTAATCGACATACCATCGATCCGACGGGACACTGTGTTGTTGATAATGGGACTGTCTCG  
 AGTGCTTTGGCTGCTTTCTTGTCAATCGTATTTTCAGCTAAAACATATGGAATGAGAATGAGATCTT  
 CGACGATAGAATGTGCTTTATTGATTTAGCCACAAGTAGTGACACAGCCTGTCTCCAAAAAANC  
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Fig. 5.6 Organization of a 5S rDNA repeated region and the deduced nucleotide sequence of 5S rDNA and NTS sequence. Boldface type indicated 5S rDNA region.

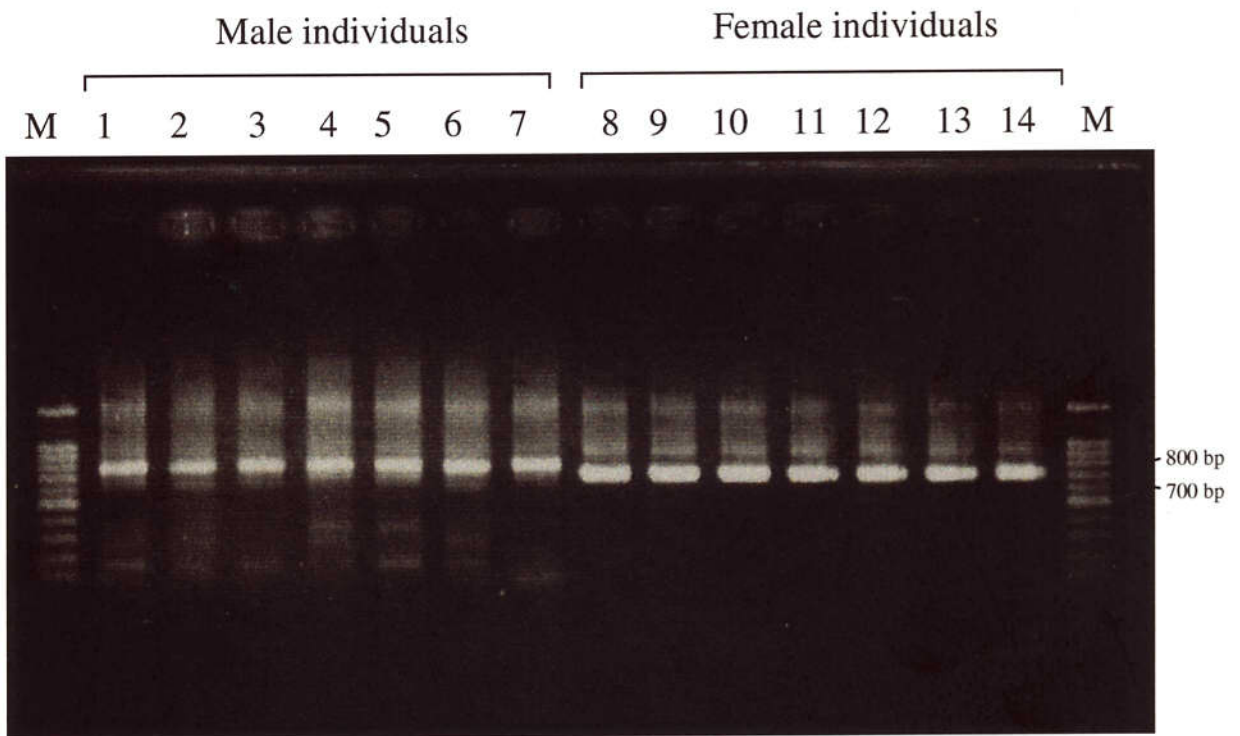


Fig. 5.7 PCR products with A5' and A3' primers were size-fractionated by electrophoresis through a 1.5 % agarose gel and stained with ethidium bromide.

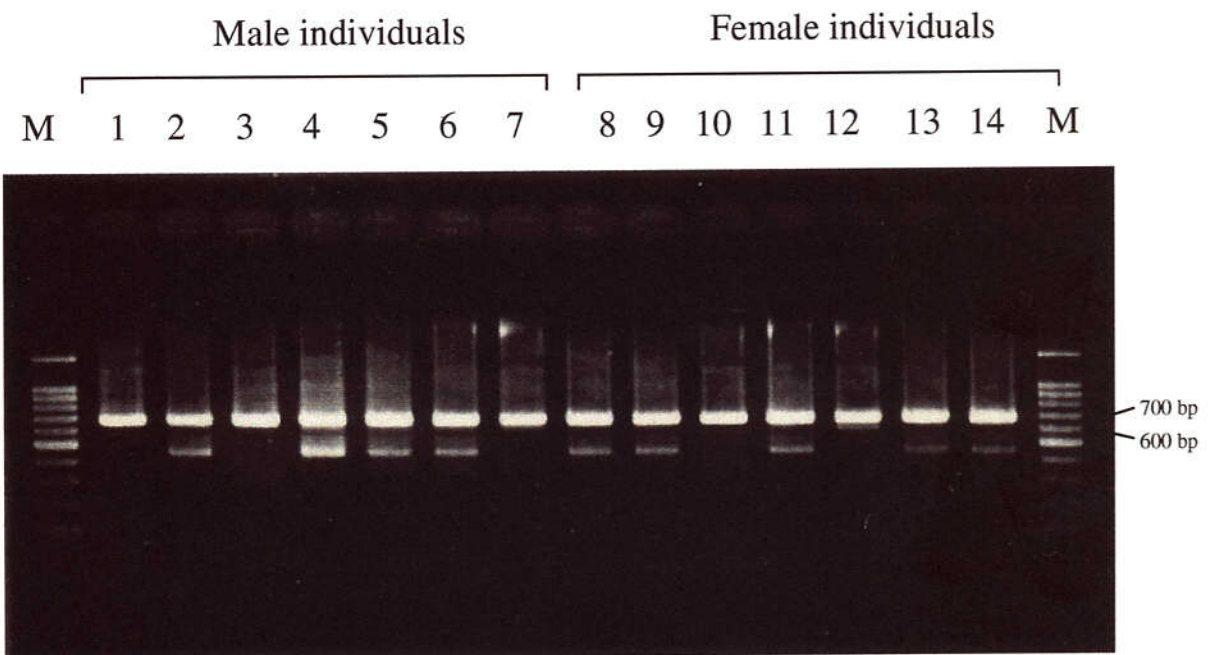


Fig. 5.8 PCR products with B5' and B3' primers were size-fractionated by electrophoresis through a 1.5 % agarose gel and stained with ethidium bromide.

widely conserved among gonochoristic aulopiform species.

To investigate the possibility of recombination between the Z and W chromosomes, I carried out FISH for Z and W chromosomes of this species. This resulted in finding of a homologous region between Z and W chromosomes. Since 5S rDNA sequences are located on the tip of the long arm of Z chromosome, this region should correspond to some region in W chromosome. Thus, the region of the W chromosome may attach to the tip of the long arm of Z chromosome during meiosis.

From an evolutionary point of view, I compared this species with other species with respect to the ZW chromosome systems. Although the ZW chromosome system was observed in other fish species, most of Z and W chromosome are not differentiated each other and not conserved in the same lineage. Exceptionally, the genus *Leporinus* is known as a fish group which has differentiated Z and W chromosomes. In the comparison of sex chromosomes between the genus *Leporinus* and the order *Aulopiformes*, we can find an interesting point in the size of these sex chromosomes. In the genus *Leporinus*, Z chromosome is smaller than W chromosome in most of studied species (Koehler et al. 1997). On the contrary, in the order *Aulopiformes*, the W chromosome is smaller than Z chromosome. This contrasting result indicates that the two ZW sex chromosome systems have been developed independently in each lineage. I also compared the size of sex chromosome between the order *Aulopifomes* and bird species. The result shows that Z chromosome is lager than W chromosome in both animals. Thus, it is indicated that the same mechanism might have acted

on the ZW chromosomes of aulopifome species and birds, even if their ZW chromosome systems have been independently developed.

Fossil data suggested that a common ancestor of the order Aulopiformes existed in Cretaceous (<http://www.fishbase.org>). Thus, I would suggest that the ZW chromosome system of the order Aulopiformes was developed more than 70 million years ago. According to a comparative study of sex chromosomes in bird species (Shetty et al. 1997), the ZW chromosome system was developed more than 80 million years ago. Thus, I proposed the hypothesis that the ZW chromosome systems of fish and birds have a common history in time scale and development.



# Chapter 6

## Amplification and characterization of female specific fragment in *Aulopus japonicus*

### 6.1 Introduction

To consider the process and mechanism of sex chromosome evolution in vertebrates, we usually compare those of mammals and birds which have well known XY and ZW chromosomes, respectively (Graves and Shetty 2001). Since the sex chromosomes might have been developed and conserved independently in mammals and birds, these sex chromosomes could be materials suitable for the investigation of sex chromosome evolution. Some comparative studies at the molecular level have been progressed in mammals (Nanda et al. 1999).

Sex-specific sequences were identified in several fish species (Nakayama et al. 1994; Reed et al. 1995; Delvin et al. 1998; Forbes et al. 1994). Detailed linkage analyses have also been performed in medaka, zebra fish and trout from which sex specific sequences can be isolated (Postlethwait et al. 2000; Naruse et al. 2000; Sakamoto et al. 2000).

However, we cannot compare sex-specific sequence of these fish with those of other vertebrates (mammals and birds), because there is no guarantee that the sequences have been conserved owing to evolutionary instability of sex chromosomes of fish. Then, the question is whether or not we can find a fish species that have conserved sex chromosomes and sex specific genes.

In chapter 3, I showed the existence of a female heteromorphic sex chromosome in the order Aulopiformes. I also demonstrated that *Aulopus japonicus* has the highly differentiated ZW chromosomes as mammals and birds have in chapter 5. Thus, the order Aulopiformes is suitable for investigating the process and mechanism of sex chromosome evolution in vertebrates. In particular, if we can identify a female-specific sequence in this order, the sequence will give us insight into the evolution of sex chromosomes.

I have successfully shown that 5S rDNA and nontranscribed spacer (NTS) sequences are located on Z and W chromosomes in *Aulopus japonicus*. These NTS sequence are classified into two types, types A and B. The two types form two separate clusters (Fig 6.1). This is in agreement with the report which 5S rDNA and NTS alternately locate on a chromosome (Pendas et al. 1994). Although the precise locations of type A and type B clusters on Z and W chromosomes are unknown, there is the possibility that a sequence exists between type A and type B clusters. If it is the case, the intervening sequence can be amplified by PCR. Thus, I performed amplification of a female-specific sequence by using NTS sequences primer and cloned it.

Type A cluster



Type B cluster



Fig. 6.1 Diagrammatic representation of two types of 5S rDNA clusters (type A cluster and type B cluster)

## 6.2 Materials and methods

### 6.2.1 Samples

14 specimens of *Aulopus japonicus* (seven males and seven females) were collected in the Suruga bay. All the samples were sexed by macroscopic examination of the gonad.

### 6.2.2 DNA extraction

Total blood was diluted in TNES-urea buffer (Asahida et al. 1996). After several days to weeks at room temperature, 20  $\mu$ l proteinase K was added and the solution was incubated about 2 h at 60°C. This was followed by two phenol-chloroform and two chloroform extractions. After precipitation with two volumes of ethanol, the pellet was rinsed in 70% ethanol, moderately dried and dissolved in Tris-EDTA buffer. These all template DNA were diluted with Tris-EDTA buffer to adjust the same concentration (100ng/ $\mu$ l).

### 6.2.3 PCR amplification, cloning and sequencing

To amplify female-specific sequence, I prepared four primers A5' (5'-GATTCCGCAGTGAGACACCA-3'), A3'1 (5'-GGATACACACACCATA-CGGTCCAG-3'), B5' (5'-GATCCACCAAATGGAGGCTACG-5') and B3'1

(5'-CACAGTGTCCCGTCGGATCGATTGG-3'). The thermal cycle profile was as follows: denaturation for 10 second at 94 °C, annealing for 10 second at 55°C and extension for 4 minute at 72°C. The same PCR amplification was conducted to different concatenation of templates (10ng/ $\mu$ l and 100ng/ $\mu$ l). PCR product was cloned into pUC19 and pT7Blue vectors (Novagen). These clones were sequenced by using dye-labeled terminations (Applied Biosystems).

### 6.3 Results

I performed PCR amplification for the seven male and seven female individuals. By using A5' and B3'1 primers, I could amplify some fragments in several male and several female individuals (Fig. 6.2). But, I could not find a sex-specific fragment by these primers. By using B5' and A3'-1 primers, however, I could then amplify a large fragment that is more than 6 kb long in all the seven of female individuals (Fig. 6.3). We could detect the same band in none of the male individuals. These results indicate that a female-specific sequence was successfully amplified by using B5' and A3'-1 primers. When I changed the concentration of template DNA to check the accuracy of PCR amplification, the large fragment band appeared in all female individuals. Thus, it was confirmed that a female-specific fragment was amplified by PCR.

I then conducted cloning and sequencing to characterize the female-specific fragment. The female specific fragment was digested by

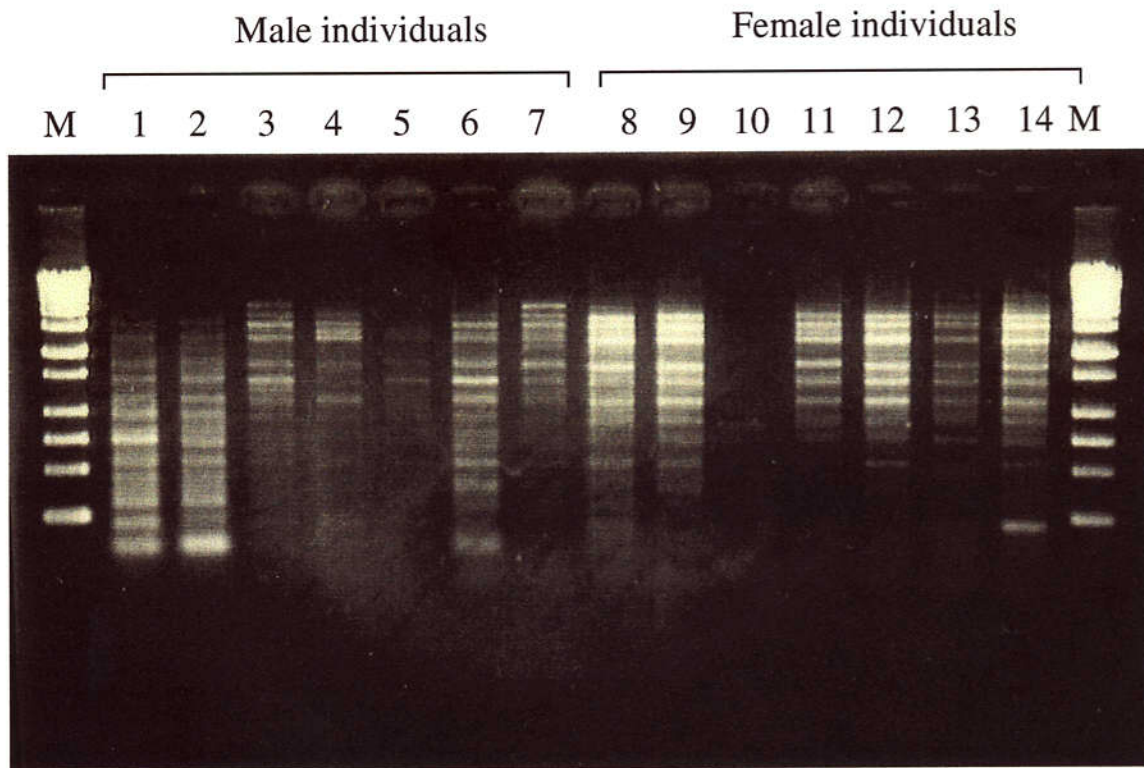


Fig. 6.2 PCR products with A5' and B3' primers were size-fractionated by electrophoresis through a 1% agarose gel and stained with ethidium bromide.

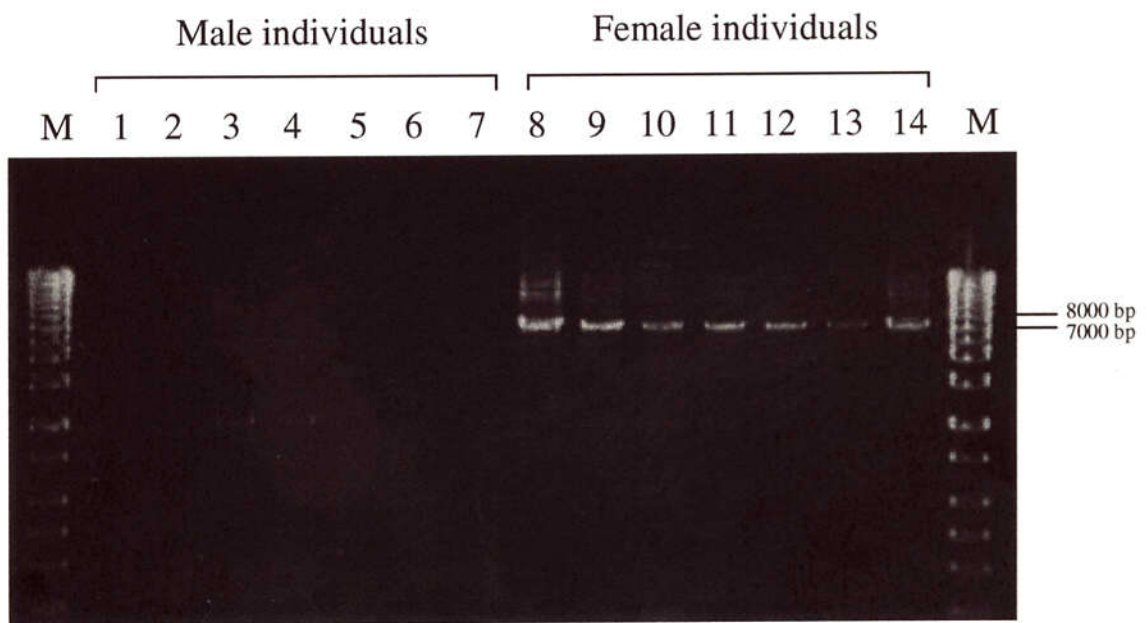


Fig. 6.3 PCR products with A3' and B5' primers were size-fractionated by electrophoresis through a 1% agarose gel and stained with ethidium bromide.

Sau HA I and cloned into the pUC19 vector. I performed sequencing of fifteen inserts from both 5' and 3' ends by using M13 and M13 reverse primers. For these sequences (30 sequences), I carried out homology search against protein sequence database (SWISS-PLOT release 40.5) by using BLASTX (Altschul et al. 1997). The result of the BLAST search shows that 12 sequences are similar to several amino acid sequences. Most sequences are related to transposable elements, and two sequences (01\_1118\_4G and 01\_1118\_4GR) are closely related to mitogen activating protein kinase (mapk) in high identity (Table 6.1). The result implies that a "mapk-like" sequence is located on W chromosome in *Aulopus japonicus*. To determine whether the "mapk-like" sequence has the complete gene structure of a mapk gene, I conducted sequencing of the clone that contains the "mapk-like" sequence (Fig. 6.4).

The resulted sequence indicates that three parts of the "mapk-like" sequence are highly similar to mapk 6 (Fig 6.5). Therefore, the "mapk-like" sequence could be functional.

## 6.4 Discussion

I could successfully amplify a W chromosome-specific fragment. The result of PCR amplification indicates that the fragment exists in the region which recombination has been suppressed. Thus, the fragment might have been evolved independently from Z chromosome after the establishment of the regions. I also found a "mapk-like" sequence in the fragment. It is



Table 6.1 Summaries of BLASTX results

Query sequences	Protein names of hit sequences	Accession number	Expectation value
01_1124_1br	Transposon TX1 hypothetical 149 kDa protein.	P14381	3.00E-18
01_1124_1cr	Transposon TX1 hypothetical 149 kDa protein (ORF 2).	P14381	1.00E-27
01_1124_2br	Transposon TX1 hypothetical 149 kDa protein.	P14381	5.00E-37
01_1124_2fr	Retrovirus-related POL polyprotein.	P11369	1.00E-23
01_1124_3gr	Kelch-like ECH-associated protein 1.	Q14145	9.00E-12
01_1118_4G	Mitogen-activated protein kinase 6.	Q16659	4.00E-14
01_1118_4GR	Mitogen-activated protein kinase 6.	Q16659	3.00E-27
01_1124_4ar	LINE-1 reverse transcriptase homolog.	P08547	6.00E-13
01_1124_4br	LINE-1 reverse transcriptase homolog.	P08547	2.00E-12
01_1124_4dr	LINE-1 reverse transcriptase homolog.	P08547	8.00E-08
01_1124_4hr	Mitogen-activated protein kinase 6.	Q16659	4.00E-27
01_1124_5cr	Minor tail protein M.	P03737	1.00E-15
01_1124_5dr	Host specificity protein J.	P03749	2.00E-21

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GGAGGACCACCAGAGAACAAGTACTGTGACCTGGAGTGCAGCCACACCTGCAACTACAAGGCC  
GTGTGCCCTCGTACCTCGACAACCTCATCTGGAGGGACAGCGAGGTCAACCACTACTACGAAC  
CCAAGCTCATCATCGATCTCTCAAAGTGAAGGAGCAGCAGCAAGGACAAGGCCGACCGCAA  
GGCCAAGAGCAAAGTGTGAGAAGAACGGGCTGGTGAAGGCCAGATAGCCCTGCAGGAGGCCGAG  
AAGACCAGGGGCCCGTGGAGAAGGACAGGGAGCAGGAGAAGCACCAGACACTGCCCCAGAGCC  
AACAGAGCCCAAGCTTGAACCTTCTGACTCCTTCATTGCCGACACCATAAACTGAGCCTGCAGCC  
AGAGCCCTGCCAGAGGTGGCCGTGCTGAGCGAGGTGGGCTCCTCAACGAGCTCAACTCCTCC  
GTTTCTCAGCTGGAGGCCCTCGGTGGGCTCCATGTCTAAATCCATCAGCCAGGAGAAGGAGG  
AGAAGTGCCTGGTCAATCTGGCCAGTTGGGGGAGGAGGAGGTGCTGGGAGGAGTTGGTGG  
GGATGTTGTGACAGCTGCACACCCTTGGGAGAGCTTTGGTGGCGGAGAGAGTAGGGGAGAAT  
GGCTGTTTGTAGACGAGGCATGCTGGGACATTGGTAAAGAGGACCAGCTCCAGAAGGAGAGCA  
CTTACACCAGTACCTGGCCCGTATGGTGTGTATCCAGGAGGGCCTTCCAAGGTAATCCC  
CTCCT

Fig. 6.4 The “mapk-like” sequence  
in *Aulopus japonicus*.

## A

MK06_RAT_(P27704)	356	RYHDCQFSEHDWP IHNHFD IDEVQLDPRALSDVTDEEEVQV	396
MK06_MOUSE_(Q61532)	356	RYHDCQFSEHDWP IHNHFD IDEVQLDPRALSDVTDEEEVQV	396
MK06_HUMAN_(Q16659)	356	RYHDCQFSEHDWPVHNHFD IDEVQLDPRALSDVTDEEEVQV	396
The "mapk-like"	1197	RYHDSQLSEADWHLXSNHDSDEVQVDPRALSVVTDEEEVQV	1319

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## B

MK06_RAT_(P27704)	395	QVDPKRYLDGDREKYLEDPAFDTS--YSAEPCWQYDPDHENKYCDLECSHTCNYKTRSPS
MK06_MOUSE_(Q61532)	395	QVDPKRYLDGDREKYLEDPAFDTS--YSAEPCWQYDPDHENKYCDLECSHTCNYKTRSSP
MK06_HUMAN_(Q16659)	395	QVDPKRYLDGDREKYLEDPAFDTN--YSTEPWQYSDHHEKHYCDLECSHTCNYKTRSSS
The "mapk-like"	1497	QVDPKRYADGEREKFLDEPSFDYSSLFPPERSWEEEDHHEKHYCDLECSHTCNYKAVSPS

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MK06_RAT_(P27704)		YLDNLVWRESEVNHYEPKLI IDLSNWKE	486
MK06_MOUSE_(Q61532)		YLDNLVWRESEVNHYEPKLI IDLSNWKE	486
MK06_HUMAN_(Q16659)		YLDNLVWRESEVNHYEPKLI IDLSNWKE	486
The "mapk-like"		YLDNL IWRDSEVNHYEPKLI IDLSNCKE	1710

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## C

MK06_RAT_(P27704)	289	ALDFLEQILTFSPMDRLTAEALSHPYMSIYSFPTDEPISHPFHIEDEVDDILLMDETH
MK06_MOUSE_(Q61532)	289	ALDFLEQILTFSPMDRLTAEALSHPYMSIYSFPTDEPISHPFHIEDEVDDILLMDETH
MK06_HUMAN_(Q16659)	289	ALDFLEQILTFSPMDRLTAEALSHPYMSIYSFPMDEPISHPFHIEDEVDDILLMDETH
The "mapk-like"	359	ALDFLEKILTFNPMMDRLTAEALAHPYMADYSFPLDEPISLHPFHIEDEVDDILLMDQSH

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MK06_RAT_(P27704)	SHIYNWERY	357
MK06_MOUSE_(Q61532)	SHIYNWERY	357
MK06_HUMAN_(Q16659)	SHIYNWERY	357
The "mapk-like"	SH--TWDRY	559

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Fig. 6.5 Sequence comparisons of rat, mouse, human Mapk 6 and the "mapk-like" sequence. Three parts of the "mapk-like" sequence (A: 1197bp to 1319bp), (B: 1497bp to 1710bp) and (C: 359bp to 559bp) correspond to Mapk 6 partial regions in amino acid sequence.

known that a mapk gene responds to chemical and physical stresses, thereby controlling cell survival and adaptation (Chang and Karin 2001). However, we have not found any evidence that mapk works as the sex-determining gene in vertebrates. Therefore, it is interesting to show for the first time that the “mapk-like” sequence I found is a candidate of the sex-determining gene.

As the origin of the “mapk-like” sequence, I can consider two cases. The first case is that the “mapk-like” sequence moved into the W chromosome by a transposable element. The female-specific fragment is known to contain transposable elements. The second case is that a common ancestor of aulopiform species had an ancestral sequence of the “mapk-like” sequence.

If the second case is correct, it is highly possible that the “mapk-like” sequence has been conserved in most gonochoristic aulopiform species. In mammals, it is known that Sry is located on the Y chromosome, and that Sry was derived from Sox 3 located on X chromosome in evolution (Katoh and Miyata 1999). Take into accounts of the evolutionally relationship between Sry and Sox3 in mammals, I propose that the “mapk-like” sequence was derived from a mapk like sequence located on Z chromosomes.

# Chapter 7

## Conclusion

It has been generally known that fish has not highly differentiated sex chromosomes that are distinguished from the other autosomes under the microscope. Differentiated sex chromosomes exceptionally observed have not been conserved in evolution. My cytogenetic and phylogenetic data indicate for the first time that highly differentiated sex chromosomes have been conserved in the same lineage of the order Aulopiformes.

According to Ohno (1970), the whole genome duplication hardly took place in mammals, birds and reptiles, because of the well-established chromosomal sex determining mechanism. The whole genome duplication in those vertebrates would confuse their sex determining mechanisms. In amphibians and fish, on the other hand, genome duplication is allowed because most fish and amphibians do not have well-established chromosomal sex determining mechanism. In chapter 3, I proposed that the genome size has been stable in the order Aulopiformes in evolution. Therefore, it can be stated that the existence of highly differentiated sex chromosomes prevents the whole genome duplication in vertebrates. However, there are tetraploid mammals reported (Gallardo et al. 1999), suggesting that at least existence of sex chromosome may have affected evolution of genome size.

In this study, I demonstrated that W chromosome of *Aulopus japonicus* contains a lot of repetitive 5S rDNA clusters. This indicates that the W chromosome has few genes. On the other hand, the Z chromosome is larger than the W chromosome and has only a small number of repetitive 5S rDNA cluster, indicating that the Z chromosomes has more genes than the W chromosome. I thus conclude that the sex chromosomes of *Aulopus japonicus* are similar to those of mammals and birds in organization, the number of genes and that of repetitive elements. Even if sex chromosomes have evolved independently in each lineage, the common mechanism might have acted in sex chromosome differentiation among the fish species, mammals and birds.

I could successfully amplify the W chromosome-specific fragment of *Aulopus japonicus*. The fragment contains a “mapk-like” sequence. In chapter 3, I suggested that the W chromosome might have disappeared in evolution. The “mapk-like” sequence will give us a clue to investigate whether the W chromosome actually disappeared or was incorporated into another chromosome in evolution.

As an extension of this study, male-driven evolution is an interesting issue. Male-driven evolution of mammals and birds having XY and ZW sex chromosomes, respectively, has been studied (Shimmin et al. 1993; Chang et al. 1995; Agunik et al. 1997; Kahn and Quinn 1999). If we can identify a mapk-like sequence on the Z chromosome, we would compare the Z chromosome with the W chromosome of aulopiform species in view of molecular evolution. The comparison will give us implication as to whether

male-driven evolution is a common rule or not in vertebrates. Moreover, if we could compare mapk-like sequence between gonochoristic and hermaphroditic species, we would also be able to understand sexuality from the viewpoint of molecular evolution.

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