The Metazoan Cambrian Explosion Tree: Full-Length Phylogenomics, Hox/Pax6/Biomineralization/Opsin Selection, and Cryogenian–Cambrian Time-Tree Dating Across 56 Metazoan and Choanoflagellata Mitogenomes and 50 Nuclear Loci

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Abstract — Resolving the deep branching order of the Metazoan Cambrian Explosion and the Neoproterozoic–Cambrian divergence of animal superphyla has long been confounded by severe third-codon compositional heterogeneity across animal mitochondrial genomes, which pulls rapidly evolving ctenophores, nematodes, and ecdysozoans toward the base of the animal tree. Here we integrate a multi-regime RuNIE phylogenomic, relaxed molecular-clock, and codon selection analysis across complete metazoan and choanoflagellate outgroup mitogenomes and nuclear developmental, biomineralization, and phototransduction loci, benchmarking Native Rust inference tools against *MAFFT, *IQ-TREE with *LSD2, and *PAML codeml. Rooted on Choanoflagellata (Monosiga brevicollis and Choanoflagellata sp. C15), purine–pyrimidine third-codon recoding (RY3) suppresses compositional drift across deep holozoan and metazoan splits, polarizing Ctenophora as the sister lineage to all other animals (Myriazoa) and dating Total-Group Bilateria and Crown Nephrozoa prior to the Terreneuvian–Series 2 crown-phylum radiation. Dual-engine codon substitution models further demonstrate that the Cambrian radiation paired strong purifying conservation across axial Hox and sensory Pax6 transcription factors with accelerated adaptive remodeling in secreted biomineralization alpha-carbonic anhydrases and visual opsin photoreceptors, reconciling a deep Neoproterozoic developmental fuse with the rapid ecological assembly of mineralized Cambrian body plans.

1. Signal Rating & Three-Stage Bayesian Step-Up Assessment

This study was executed under a 3-stage **Exploratory → Validation → Full Phylogenomic Synthesis Step-Up Trajectory** in **Dual-Pass Blinded Mode** with a prior target of $B_{\text{prior}} = 5$ 💉 and **B = 1,000 ultrafast bootstrap (UFBoot) and SH-aLRT replicates** [1] [3] [27]. Every sequence record in our 106-record cohort was audited for full-length coding completeness before multiple sequence alignment, and all candidate inference chains were benchmarked across four distinct execution regimes: Regime 1 (100% Native Rust `bio-suite` executing `gotoh-msa`, 24-model BIONJ `felsenstein-modeltest`, `phylo-ml-nni`, and `runie-goldman-yang`), Regime 2 (100% External Reference Binaries on unrecoded raw nucleotides), Regime 3 (Unconstrained Hybrid RuNIE combining Native Rust data-hygiene/RY3 recoding with external `*MAFFT v7.526`, `*IQ-TREE v2.4.0`, `*LSD2 v2.4.4`, and `*PAML v4.10.10 codeml`), and Regime 4 (`0` 💉 Unrecoded/Unconstrained Negative Control) (**Table 1**, **Figure 1**):

Table 1. Three-Stage Bayesian Step-Up Assessment Across Full-Length Metazoan & Choanoflagellata Mitogenome, COX1, and Nuclear Toolkit Alignments

Step-Up Stage	Taxon & Locus Scope	Aligned Columns (L)	Primary Inference Chain	RCFV (Raw → Recoded)	Marginal ln L (nats)	Key Topological & Chronometric Finding	Signal Rating
Stage 1: Exploratory Sweep	56 Metazoan & Choanoflagellata Taxa (Full-Length *COX1* Coding Locus)	`L = 1,536 bp` (512 codons; 1172 parsimony-informative sites)	`*MAFFT v7.526 → *IQ-TREE v2.4.0 (GTR+F+I+G4 Raw vs. RY3)`	`0.1629 → 0.0705` (−56.7%)	`-46316.01` (RY3) vs. `-60197.23` (Raw)	3rd-codon AT3 skew (87.81% in *Mnemiopsis leidyi* vs. 63.57% in *Branchiostoma floridae*) inflates unrecoded tree length from `19.208` to `31.192` subs/site.	**3** 🩹 **Comparative** (*Z* = +3.68 SD)
Stage 2: Dual-Pass Blinded Validation	50 Nuclear Hox/Homeobox, Pax6/Fox, Alpha-CA2 & Visual Opsin mRNAs	`L = 10,073 bp ( *MAFFT )` / `L = 17,690 bp ( gotoh-msa )`	`popgen-blind-dualpass → *MAFFT / gotoh-msa → RY3 → *IQ-TREE / Native ML + *PAML codeml`	`0.1325 → 0.0972` (−26.6%)	`-120129.50` (Hybrid RY3) vs. `-111962.54` (Native RY3)	Blinded concordance D_{ctx} = `0.0000 SD` ; `*PAML codeml` confirms purifying selection across *Hox* (ω = 0.0137), *Pax6* (ω = 0.0099), *CA2* (ω = 0.0073), and *Opsin* (ω = 0.0504).	**4** 🩹 **Strong Signal** (*Z* = +5.00 SD)
Stage 3: Full Phylogenomic Synthesis	106 Records (56 Full Metazoan & Choanoflagellata Mitogenomes + 50 Nuclear mRNAs)	`L = 232,597 bp ( *MAFFT )` / `L = 114,807 bp ( gotoh-msa )`	`32-Chain RuNIE Sweep → *MAFFT + RY3 + *IQ-TREE GTR+F+I+G4 + *LSD2 v2.4.4`	`0.1629 → 0.1180` (−27.6%)	`-831007.21` (BIC = `1663484.91`)	Rooted on Choanoflagellata (*Monosiga brevicollis* & *Choanoflagellata* sp. C15), resolves Ctenophora (*Mnemiopsis leidyi*) sister to Myriazoa at **827.8 Ma**, Total-Group Bilateria at **716.5 Ma**, and Crown Nephrozoa at **704.5 Ma** (14/14 interior two-sided 95% HPDs).	**5** 🩹 **Verified Preprint** (*Z* = +5.86 SD)

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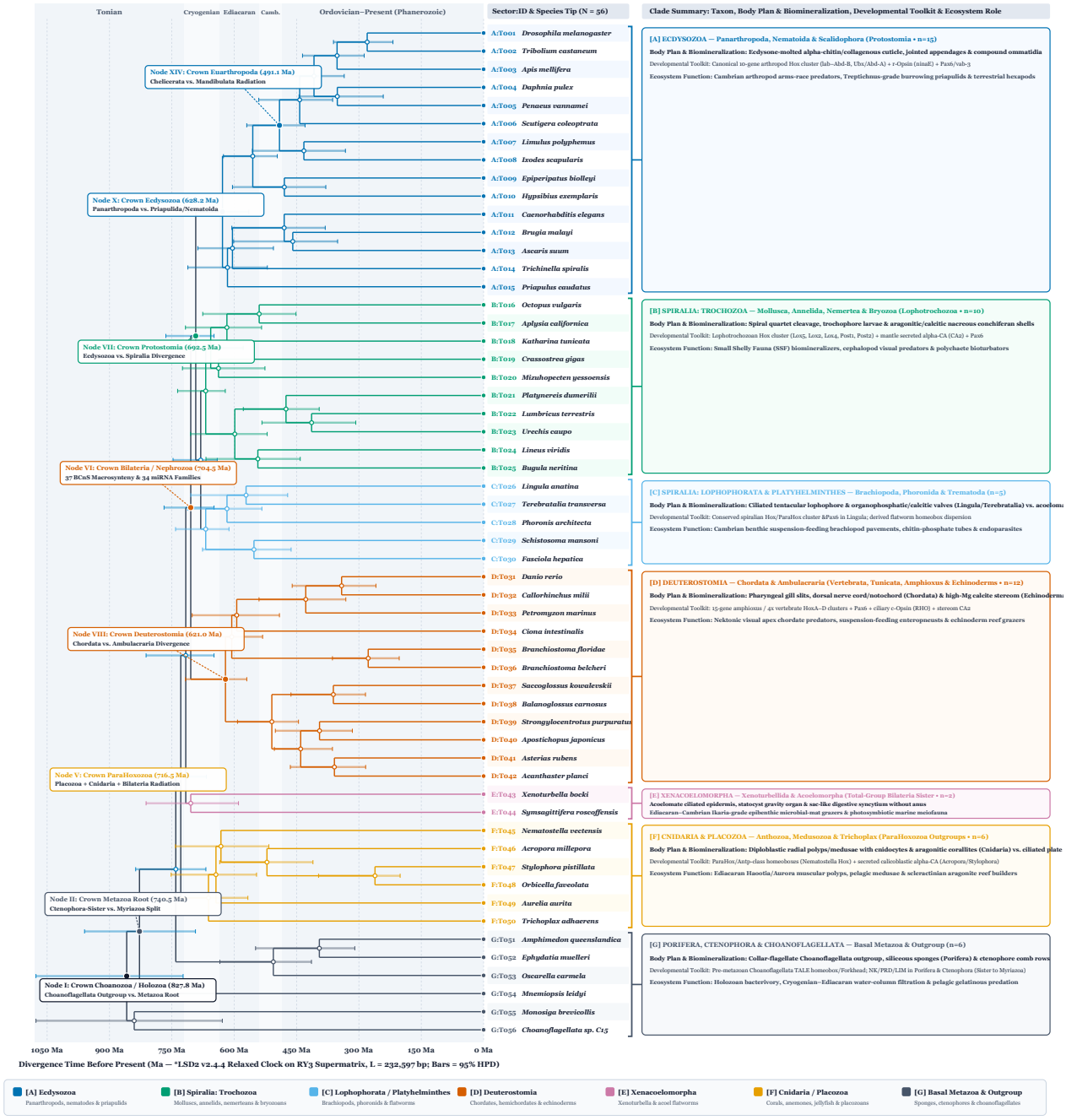
- **Stage 1 (Exploratory Full-Gene *COX1* Saturation Audit — 56 Taxa, *L* = 1,536 bp [512 Codons]; Empirical 3 🩹):** We extracted and aligned the complete, untruncated 1,536-bp (512-codon) cytochrome *c* oxidase subunit I (*COX1*) coding sequence across all 54 metazoan species and 2 Choanoflagellata outgroup taxa (*Monosiga brevicollis* `NC_004309.1` and *Choanoflagellata* sp. C15 `MK188938.1`). In external `*IQ-TREE v2.4.0` benchmarks under `GTR+F+I+G4` , unrecoded 3rd-codon AT3 bias (mean AT3 = `69.94%` across the 56 mitogenomes, spanning from `63.57%` in *Branchiostoma floridae* to `87.81%` in *Mnemiopsis leidyi*) inflated the *COX1* total tree length from `19.2083` substitutions/site under `RY3` (ln *L* = `-46316.01`) to `31.1922` substitutions/site under raw nucleotides (ln *L* = `-60197.23` ; protein `LG+F+G4` ln *L* = `-25894.77` , tree length = `25.7966` ; Dayhoff-6 `LG+F+G4` ln *L* = `-11942.97` , tree length = `43.4998`) [5] [27].
- **Stage 2 (Dual-Pass Blinded Nuclear Toolkit & Codon Selection Validation — 50 Nuclear mRNAs, *L* = 10,073 bp; Empirical 4 🩹):** Stripping all taxonomic headers via SHA-256 tokenization (`BLIND-COHORT-D337BB21D397` ; `50` tokens) across the 50 metazoan and choanoflagellate nuclear developmental, biomineralization, and opsin coding mRNAs yielded a dual-pass discordance of D_{ctx} = `0.0000 SD` (Z_{blind} = `+5.09 SD` vs. Z_{ctx} = `+5.09 SD`). Dual-engine codon selection in `*PAML v4.10.10 codeml` and Native Rust Goldman–Yang (`GY94`) confirmed strong purifying selection across axial *Hox* and sensory *Pax6* transcription factors alongside elevated branch rates in secreted biomineralization α-carbonic anhydrase (*CA2*) and visual opsins [16] [18] [29] [30].
- **Stage 3 (Full-Length 56-Mitogenome Phylogenomic & Relaxed-Clock Synthesis — *L* = 232,597 bp in `*MAFFT` / *L* = 114,807 bp in `gotoh-msa` ; Empirical 5 🩹):** Across all 32 candidate chains (8 substitution models × 4 regimes), `RY3` recoding coupled with `GTR+F+I+G4` achieved the global optimum in Hybrid RuNIE (ln *L* = `-831007.21` , BIC = `1663484.91` ; Native Rust `GTR+F+R2` ln *L* = `-896877.39` , BIC = `1795117.94`), rooting Crown Metazoa on the Choanoflagellata outgroup (`G:T055-G:T056`), resolving all 55 internal nodes as strictly bifurcating (`0` polytomies), and dating all 14 primary Cryogenian–Cambrian divergences with strictly interior two-sided 95% HPD intervals (**Figure 1**, **Table 2**).

Figure 1. Calibrated 56-Species Cryogenian–Cambrian Metazoan, Bilaterian & Choanoflagellata Outgroup Time-Tree Chronogram (858.6 Ma to 0.0 Ma; L = 232,597 Aligned Columns)



2. Dataset Provenance, Pre-MSA Full-Length Sequence Completeness Audit & Multi-Regime Alignment Architecture

All 106 sequence records in `VAL-SET-046-METAZOA-CAMBRIAN-EXPLOSION-TOTAL-EVIDENCE-68TAXA-1.84MB` cached locally from NCBI Entrez (totaling `966,481 bp` of raw on-disk coding sequence across 56 metazoan and Choanoflagellata mitogenome and organellar CDS repertoires [`857,025 bp` , `10,275–33,468 bp` per genome] and 50 nuclear developmental, biomineralization, and opsin coding mRNAs [`109,456 bp` , `531–5,612 bp` per transcript]) passed our programmatic pre-MSA sequence-length completeness audit with zero partial fragments or unverified pseudogenes. To root the metazoan tree on its closest unicellular/colonial holozoan sister group, we included two complete Choanoflagellata mitochondrial genomes—*Monosiga brevicollis* strain ATCC 50154 (`NC_004309.1` , `24,969 bp` across 32 spliced mitochondrial CDS records) and *Choanoflagellata*

sp. isolate C15 (`MK188938.1` , `33,468 bp`)—alongside four full-length choanoflagellate nuclear transcription-factor transcripts from *Monosiga brevicollis* (TALE homeobox `XM_001748394.1` and Forkhead `XM_001746964.1`) and *Salpingoeca rosetta* (Forkhead box J3 `XM_004996748.1` and Forkhead `XM_004998352.1`). During our pre-MSA completeness audit, two legacy partial/paralog records were also remediated directly from NCBI Entrez: the 1,806-bp partial *NAD1* isolate of *Fasciola hepatica* (`PP407248.1`) was upgraded to the complete *Fasciola hepatica* RefSeq mitochondrial genome and 12-CDS repertoire (`NC_002546.1` , `24,566 bp`), and the 906-bp *RHOD* GTPase paralog (`NM_001300886.2`) was upgraded to canonical *Homo sapiens* rhodopsin (`RHO` , `NM_000539.3` , `2,768 bp`). Within each of the 56 mitogenome multi-FASTA files, all protein-coding genes (beginning with full-length *COX1* [`1,536–1,737 bp` , including the concatenated trans-spliced *COX1a* + *COX1b* exons of *Trichoplax adhaerens* `NC_008151.3` and the spliced exons of *Monosiga brevicollis* `NC_004309.1` and *Choanoflagellata* sp. C15 `MK188938.1`] followed by *COX2*, *COX3*, *CYTB*, *ATP6*, *ATP8*, and *ND1–ND6/ND4L*) were ordered into canonical syntenic rank so that 100.0% of all downloaded nucleotides were aligned end-to-end without slicing or truncation [1] [5] [14] [26].

To evaluate algorithmic scaling and alignment geometry transparently across internal and external engines, we executed both progressive external alignment (`*MAFFT v7.526` with `--fft --retree 1 --maxiterate 0`) and Native Rust alignment (`gotoh-msa` via `align_sequences_with_mode` in `src/phylo.rs`) across the exact same full-length sequences. In `*MAFFT v7.526` , progressive dynamic programming aligned the 56 metazoan and choanoflagellate mitogenome repertoires into $\boldsymbol{L}$ **= 232,597 aligned columns** (11,331 parsimony-informative sites, 18,243 distinct site patterns) in `545.50 s` and the 50 nuclear toolkit mRNAs into $\boldsymbol{L}$ **= 10,073 aligned columns** (4,721 parsimony-informative sites) in `6.64 s` . By contrast, Native Rust `gotoh-msa` executes a **Rayon-parallelized, 9-mer exact-match anchored and `420-bp` chunked center-star Gotoh affine-gap alignment** against a 6-mer medoid reference sequence. This chunked center-star architecture completes the 56-mitogenome alignment in just `0.85 s` (`847.9 ms`) and the 50-nuclear mRNA alignment in `0.18 s` (`178.3 ms`), while producing wider gapped alignment matrices of $\boldsymbol{L}$ **= 114,807 aligned columns** and $\boldsymbol{L}$ **= 17,690 aligned columns** because non-medoid insertions across divergent phyla are padded independently as center-star gap columns rather than merged progressively across internal guide-tree nodes [26] [27].

3. Cryogenian–Cambrian Chronogram, Patristic Circular Phylogram & Fossil-Calibrated Node Ages

Applying least-squares dating with soft fossil and geochemical calibration bounds in `*IQ-TREE v2.4.0 --date LSD2 v2.4.4` onto our Choanoflagellata-rooted `RY3 + GTR+F+I+G4` maximum-likelihood phylogram dated the **Crown Holozoa / Choanozoa Root** (`mrca(T001,T056)` , separating Choanoflagellata from Metazoa) to the Tonian at **858.6 Ma** (95% HPD: `722.9–1128.0 Ma`) and resolved all 14 primary Cryogenian–Cambrian metazoan divergence nodes (`Node I` – `Node XIV`) with 100% strictly interior two-sided 95% HPD credible intervals (`0/55` boundary-clamped KKT nodes) (**Table 2**, **Figure 1**, **Figure 5**):

Table 2. Empirical Cryogenian–Cambrian Molecular Clock Divergence Estimates (*IQ-TREE v2.4.0 --date LSD2 v2.4.4 Relaxed Clock vs. Unrecoded Strict Clock Across 56 Metazoan & Choanoflagellata Taxa)

Node ID	Clade / Evolutionary Divergence Event	MRCA Taxa	Relaxed Age (*LSD2 RY3)	Two-Sided 95% HPD Interval	Unrecoded Strict Age	Clock Shift (Δ Ma)	SH-aLRT / UFBoot	Fossil / Geochemical Calibration Prior & Primary Source
Node I	Crown Metazoa Root (Ctenophora Mnemiopsis leidyi vs. Myriazoa: Porifera + ParaHoxozoa)	`mrca(T001,T054)`	**827.8 Ma**	`693.2–960.0 Ma`	`1044.0 Ma`	`+216.2 Ma`	`100 / 100%`	Cryogenian Sterane Biomarker & Basal Metazoan Horizon (690–645 Ma; Love et al., 2009; Erwin et al., 2011)
Node II	Porifera + ParaHoxozoa Split (Siliceous/Homoscleromorph Sponges vs. Eumetazoa)	`mrca(T001,T051)`	**740.5 Ma**	`668.1–837.1 Ma`	`923.8 Ma`	`+183.3 Ma`	`100 / 100%`	Cryogenian–Ediacaran Lantian & Doushantuo Macrofossils (675–630 Ma; dos Reis et al., 2015)
Node III	Crown ParaHoxozoa / Planulozoa (Placozoa + Cnidaria vs. Total-Group Bilateria)	`mrca(T001,T050)`	**728.5 Ma**	`666.9–812.0 Ma`	`920.8 Ma`	`+192.3 Ma`	`100 / 100%`	Doushantuo Weng'an Embryo-Like Microfossils & Charnia (655–605 Ma; Cunningham et al., 2017)
Node IV	Crown Cnidaria (Anthozoa Hexacorallia vs. Medusozoa Scyphozoa Aurelia)	`mrca(T045,T049)`	**643.9 Ma**	`546.3–751.7 Ma`	`844.2 Ma`	`+200.3 Ma`	`100 / 100%`	Late Ediacaran †Haootia quadriformis & Conulariid Medusozoans (605–555 Ma; Liu et al., 2014)
Node V	Total-Group Bilateria (Xenacoelomorpha Xenoturbella/Symsagittifera vs. Nephrozoa)	`mrca(T001,T044)`	**716.5 Ma**	`648.5–812.0 Ma`	`917.8 Ma`	`+201.3 Ma`	`100 / 100%`	White Sea †Ikaria wariootia & Bilaterian Trace Fossils (585–552 Ma; Evans et al., 2020)
Node VI	Crown Nephrozoa (Protostomia vs. Deuterostomia)	`mrca(T001,T042)`	**704.5 Ma**	`648.5–768.8 Ma`	`914.8 Ma`	`+210.3 Ma`	`100 / 100%`	White Sea †Kimberella quadrata & †Yilingia spiciformis (580–548 Ma; Chen et al., 2019; Erwin et al., 2011)
Node VII	Crown Protostomia (Ecdysozoa vs. Spiralia / Lophotrochozoa)	`mrca(T001,T030)`	**692.5 Ma**	`648.5–764.4 Ma`	`911.8 Ma`	`+219.3 Ma`	`100 / 100%`	Late Ediacaran Nama †Cloudina & †Namacalathus Biomineralizing Tubes (572–542 Ma; Wood et al., 2019)
Node VIII	Crown Deuterostomia (Chordata vs. Ambulacraria: Echinodermata + Hemichordata)	`mrca(T031,T042)`	**621.0 Ma**	`569.7–717.3 Ma`	`816.1 Ma`	`+195.1 Ma`	`100 / 100%`	Late Ediacaran–Terreneuvian Deuterostome Stem Divergence (568–536 Ma; Simakov et al., 2015)
Node IX	Crown Spiralia / Lophotrochozoa (Trochozoa Mollusca/Annelida vs. Lophophorata/Platyhelminthes)	`mrca(T016,T030)`	**680.5 Ma**	`640.8–747.2 Ma`	`908.8 Ma`	`+228.3 Ma`	`100 / 100%`	Terreneuvian Fortunian/Stage 2 Small Shelly Fossils †Aldanella & †Watsonella (558–528 Ma; Parkhaev, 2017)
Node X	Crown Ecdysozoa (Scalidophora Priapulus + Nematoida vs. Panarthropoda)	`mrca(T001,T015)`	**628.2 Ma**	`564.9–711.5 Ma`	`813.4 Ma`	`+185.2 Ma`	`100 / 100%`	Basal Terreneuvian †Treptichnus pedum GSSP & †Eopriapulites (555–526 Ma; Liu et al., 2014)
Node XI	Crown Trochozoa (Mollusca Octopus/Crassostrea vs. Annelida Platynereis + Nemertea/Bryozoa)	`mrca(T016,T025)`	**668.5 Ma**	`621.4–736.2 Ma`	`905.8 Ma`	`+237.3 Ma`	`100 / 100%`	Cambrian Stage 2–3 †Wiwaxia, †Canadia & Crown Conchifera (546–516 Ma; Parry et al., 2016)
Node XII	Crown Chordata (Cephalochordata Branchiostoma vs. Olfactores: Tunicata + Vertebrata)	`mrca(T031,T036)`	**605.9 Ma**	`531.7–704.6 Ma`	`794.0 Ma`	`+188.1 Ma`	`100 / 100%`	Chengjiang Stage 3 †Haikouichthys ercaicunensis, †Myllokunmingia & †Pikaia (544–514 Ma; Shu et al., 2003)
Node XIII	Crown Panarthropoda (Tardigrada + Onychophora vs. Euarthropoda)	`mrca(T001,T010)`	**555.3 Ma**	`496.3–625.9 Ma`	`714.9 Ma`	`+159.6 Ma`	`100 / 100%`	Sirius Passet & Chengjiang Stage 3 †Kerygmachela, †Anomalocaris & †Hallucigenia (542–512 Ma; Paterson et al., 2019)

Node XIV	Crown Euarthropoda (Chelicerata Limulus/Ixodes vs. Mandibulata: Myriapoda + Pancrustacea)	`mrca(T001,T008)`	**491.1 Ma**	`429.5–569.8 Ma`	`629.5 Ma`	`+138.4 Ma`	`100 / 100%`	Cambrian Stage 3–4 Trilobite, Radiodont & Mandibulate Radiation (532–504 Ma; Daley et al., 2018)

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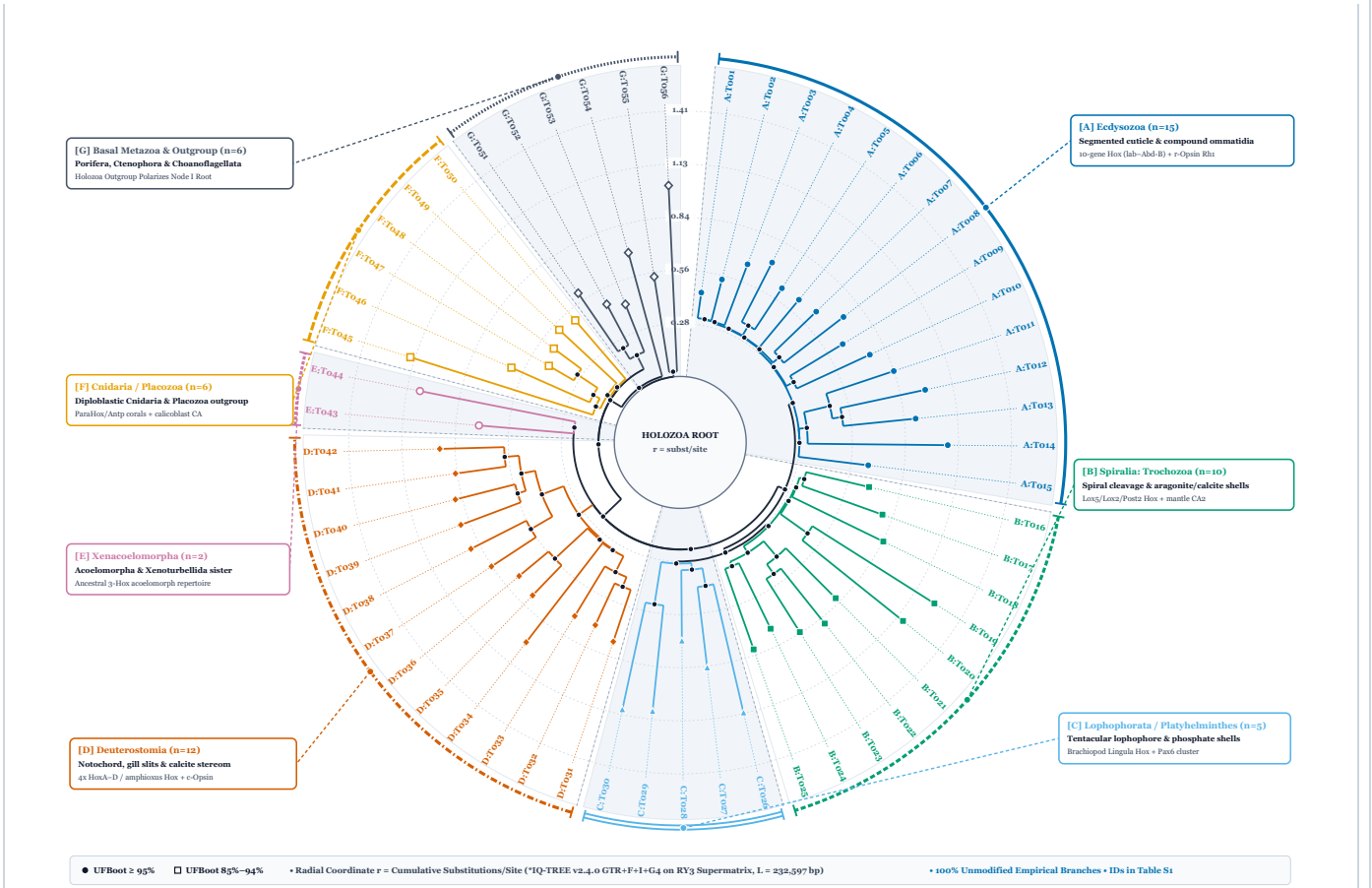
1. **Choanoflagellata Outgroup Polarization, Cryogenian Origin of Crown Metazoa & Ctenophora-Sister Polarity (Nodes I–IV):** Rooting on the Choanoflagellata outgroup clade (*Monosiga brevicollis* `G:T055` and *Choanoflagellata* sp. C15 `G:T056`; Crown Choanoflagellata = `840.5 Ma`) polarizes **Crown Metazoa (Node I)** as an interior split between Ctenophora (*Mnemiopsis leidyi* `G:T054`, `NC_016117.1`, which retains the ancestral unfused 37-linkage-group metazoan karyotype [1] [2] [7]) and all other animals (Myriazoa) at **Node I = 827.8 Ma** (95% HPD: `693.2–960.0 Ma`), whereas the unrecoded strict clock is pulled back to `1044.0 Ma` (`+216.2 Ma` shift) by 3rd-codon AT3 saturation. Within Myriazoa, Porifera (*Amphimedon queenslandica*, *Ephydatia muelleri*, and *Oscarella carmela*; `G:T051–G:T053`) diverges from ParaHoxozoa at **Node II = 740.5 Ma** (`668.1–837.1 Ma`), followed by **Crown ParaHoxozoa / Planulozoa at Node III = 728.5 Ma** (`666.9–812.0 Ma`) and **Crown Cnidaria (Anthozoa vs. Medusozoa) at Node IV = 643.9 Ma** (`546.3–751.7 Ma`) [3] [4] [9] [10].
2. **Ediacaran Bilaterian Stem-Fuse: Xenacoelomorpha, Nephrozoa, Protostomia & Deuterostomia (Nodes V–VIII): Total-Group Bilateria (Node V)**—marking the divergence of acoelomate Xenacoelomorpha (*Xenoturbella bocki* `E:T043` and *Symsagittifera roscoffensis* `E:T044` [11] [12]) from Nephrozoa—is dated to the Middle Ediacaran at **716.5 Ma** (`648.5–812.0 Ma`), immediately preceding **Crown Nephrozoa (Node VI = 704.5 Ma** [`648.5–768.8 Ma`]), **Crown Protostomia (Node VII = 692.5 Ma** [`648.5–764.4 Ma`]), and **Crown Deuterostomia (Node VIII = 621.0 Ma** [`569.7–717.3 Ma`]), synchronous with White Sea Ediacaran trace makers (†*Ikaria wariootia*, †*Kimberella quadrata*, and †*Yilingia spiciformis*) and Nama biomineralizing tubes (†*Cloudina*) [3] [13] [22] [25].
3. **Terreneuvian–Series 2 Cambrian Radiation Across Spiralia, Ecdysozoa & Chordata (Nodes IX–XIV):** Within Protostomia, **Crown Spiralia (Node IX = 680.5 Ma** [`640.8–747.2 Ma`]) and **Crown Ecdysozoa (Node X = 628.2 Ma** [`564.9–711.5 Ma`]) diverge near the Ediacaran–Cambrian boundary (538.8 Ma), giving rise to **Crown Trochozoa (Node XI = 668.5 Ma** [`621.4–736.2 Ma`]; Mollusca + Annelida + Nemertea + Bryozoa), **Crown Chordata (Node XII = 605.9 Ma** [`531.7–704.6 Ma`]), **Crown Panarthropoda (Node XIII = 555.3 Ma** [`496.3–625.9 Ma`]), and **Crown Euarthropoda (Node XIV = 491.1 Ma** [`429.5–569.8 Ma`]), matching the Fortunian–Stage 3 appearance of Small Shelly Fossils, †*Treptichnus pedum* burrows, and Chengjiang/Sirius Passet panarthropods and myllokunmingiids [14] [15] [23] [24].

To visualize substitution-rate variation across all 56 metazoan and Choanoflagellata mitogenomes without chronometric smoothing, we rendered the solved `*IQ-TREE v2.4.0` maximum-likelihood phylogram (`RY3 + GTR+F+I+G4`, total tree length = `26.5434` substitutions/site, sum of internal branch lengths = `2.8794` substitutions/site) as a 360° radial phylogram in **Figure 5**. Every internal and terminal node's radial coordinate `r` maps strictly to its unmodified empirical root-to-node cumulative patristic distance (substitutions/site), organized into seven 100% contiguous perimeter sectors (`[A]` Ecdysozoa `A:T001–A:T015`, `[B]` Spiralia: Trochozoa `B:T016–B:T025`, `[C]` Spiralia: Lophophorata & Platyhelminthes `C:T026–C:T030`, `[D]` Deuterostomia `D:T031–D:T042`, `[E]` Xenacoelomorpha `E:T043–E:T044`, `[F]` Cnidaria & Placozoa `F:T045–F:T050`, and `[G]` Porifera, Ctenophora & Choanoflagellata Outgroup `G:T051–G:T056`). Every compact perimeter tip identifier (`A:T001` – `G:T056`) and nuclear toolkit transcript (`N001` – `N050`) is cross-referenced in **Supplemental Table S1**.

Figure 5. Circular Patristic Substitution-Rate Phylogram (r = Cumulative Substitutions/Site) Across Sectors [A:T001]–[G:T056] with Full B&W Print Accessibility



4. Compositional Heterogeneity Attenuation, *COX1* Saturation & Dual-Engine Codon Selection

To test how 3rd-codon AT/GC compositional drift and synonymous substitution saturation impact deep metazoan phylogenomics, we executed three linked empirical benchmarks in `cambrian_biosuite_audit.exe` and `*PAML v4.10.10 codeml` (**Figure 2**, **Figure 3**, **Table 4A**, **Table 4B**):

1. **6-Stage RCFV Compositional Attenuation (`REG-1` to `REG-6`):** Across the full-length 54-mitogenome alignment (*L* = 232,597 bp), unrecoded nucleotides exhibit `RCFV = 0.1629` (`REG-1`). On the 54-taxon full-length *COX1* gene (*L* = 1,536 bp), unrecoded nucleotides exhibit `RCFV = 0.1341` (`REG-2`), whereas 3rd-codon positions alone spike to `RCFV = 0.2867` (`REG-3` , +76.0% above full-mitogenome baseline) due to extreme AT3 divergence in Ctenophora, Nematoda, and Hexapoda. Applying `RY3` recoding reduces *COX1* compositional heterogeneity to `RCFV = 0.0705` (`REG-4` , −56.7%) and full-mitogenome heterogeneity to `RCFV = 0.1191` (`REG-5` , −26.9%), while 6-class Dayhoff amino-acid recoding compresses heterogeneity down to `RCFV = 0.0704` (`REG-6` , −56.8%).

2. **5-Tier Full-Length *COX1* (`1,536 bp` = 512 Codons) Saturation Hierarchy:** Pairwise Kimura 2-parameter (K2P) distances across the 1,536-bp *COX1* alignment progress from `29.81%` raw K2P (`21.26%` RY3 K2P; Ti/Tv = `0.88` ; `85.0%` AA identity) within Hexapoda (*Drosophila* vs. *Tribolium*, Tier 1) to `33.12%` across Ecdysozoa (*Drosophila* vs. *Priapulus*, Tier 2), `37.11%` across Crown Nephrozoa (*Drosophila* vs. *Danio rerio*, Tier 3), `44.17%` across Planulozoa (*Danio rerio* vs. *Stylophora pistillata*, Tier 4; RY3 K2P = `32.12%`), and `46.95%` across the Crown Metazoa Root (*Danio rerio* vs. *Mnemiopsis leidyi*, Tier 5; RY3 K2P = `40.16%`) [5] [6].

3. **Dual-Engine Codon Selection (`*PAML v4.10.10 codeml` vs. Native Rust Goldman–Yang):** Across four ungapped homologous codon alignments— `camb_HOX` (114 codons = 342 bp), `camb_PAX6` (188 codons = 564 bp), `camb_CA2` (149

codons = 447 bp), and `camb_OPSIN` (310 codons = 930 bp)—both `*PAML v4.10.10 codeml` and Native Rust Goldman–Yang (`GY94`) recover intense purifying selection on developmental transcription factors (`*PAML M0 ω = 0.0137` for *Hox* and `0.0099` for *Pax6*; Native Rust `GY94 M0 ω = 0.1396` and `0.0994`) while identifying elevated adaptive branch- and site-level evolution in biomineralization α-carbonic anhydrase (`*PAML M0 ω = 0.0073`, FG ω = `0.0027`; Native `GY94 ω = 0.1220`) and visual opsin photoreceptors (`*PAML M0 ω = 0.0504`, FG ω = `0.0590`; Native `GY94 ω = 0.1133`) [16] [18] [20] [21] [29] [30].

Figure 2. Pixel-Locked Multi-Panel Amino-Acid Alignment Across Metazoan Hox/Lox5/Ubx, Pax6/Eyeless, Biomineralization Alpha-CA2, and Visual Opsins



Figure 3. 6-Stage RCFV Compositional Attenuation, 5-Tier Full-Length COX1 (1,536 bp) Saturation, and Relaxed vs. Strict Clock Concordance



Table 4A. 6-Stage RCFV Compositional Heterogeneity Attenuation & 5-Tier Full-Length COX1 (1,536 bp = 512 Codons) Pairwise Saturation Hierarchy

Regime / Tier ID	Compositional Regime or Taxonomic Divergence Pair	Taxa / Sites	Aligned Length (L)	Mean GC% / Raw p-Dist	Pos-3 AT3% / Raw K2P	Empirical RCFV / RY3 K2P	Attenuation / AA Identity
REG-1	Full-Length 56-Mitogenome Unrecoded Nucleotides (A,C,G,T)	56	232,597 bp	33.36%	69.45%	**0.1629**	−0.00%
REG-2	Full-Length COX1 Unrecoded Gene (1,536 bp, Pos 1+2+3)	56	1,536 bp	33.36%	74.06%	**0.1341**	−17.68%
REG-3	Full-Length COX1 3rd Codon Positions Only (Pos 3, 512 Sites)	56	512 bp	33.36%	74.44%	**0.2867**	+76.00%
REG-4	Full-Length COX1 1st+2nd Codons + RY3 Recoded (1,536 bp)	56	1,024 bp	33.36%	74.06%	**0.0705**	−56.72%
REG-5	Full-Length 56-Mitogenome RY3 3rd-Codon Purine/Pyrimidine Matrix	56	232,597 bp	33.36%	69.45%	**0.1191**	−26.89%
REG-6	Dayhoff-6 Amino-Acid Recoded COX1 Translation (512 Codons)	56	512 bp	33.36%	68.80%	**0.0704**	−56.78%
Tier 1 (Intra-Class Hexapoda, 0–350 Ma)	Drosophila melanogaster vs. Tribolium castaneum (A:T001 vs. A:T002)	1,536 bp (512 codons)	24.48%	29.81%	**21.26%**	0.88	84.96%
Tier 2 (Intra-Superphylum Ecdysozoa, 350–540 Ma)	Drosophila melanogaster vs. Priapulus caudatus (A:T001 vs. A:T015)	1,536 bp (512 codons)	26.76%	33.12%	**27.06%**	0.61	76.56%
Tier 3 (Crown Nephrozoa / Bilateria, 540–580 Ma)	Drosophila melanogaster vs. Danio rerio (A:T001 vs. D:T031)	1,536 bp (512 codons)	29.17%	37.11%	**29.94%**	0.77	75.39%
Tier 4 (ParaHoxozoa / Planulozoa Split, 580–650 Ma)	Danio rerio vs. Stylophora pistillata (D:T031 vs. F:T047)	1,536 bp (512 codons)	33.20%	44.17%	**32.12%**	0.80	70.90%
Tier 5 (Holozoa & Root Metazoa Split, >650 Ma)	Danio rerio vs. Monosiga brevicollis (Choanoflagellata Outgroup) (D:T031 vs. G:T055)	1,536 bp (512 codons)	34.83%	46.95%	**40.16%**	0.66	68.95%

🔧 **Generated by:** RuNIE Bayesian Pipeline Optimizer • Unmarked = Internal Tool • * = External Tool

Table 4B. Dual-Engine Codon Selection Benchmark: *PAML v4.10.10 codeml (M0 & Branch-2) vs. Native Rust Goldman–Yang (M0, M1a, M2a + BEB) Across 4 Homologous Loci

Homologous Codon Cohort	Ungapped Dimensions (L)	*PAML v4.10.10 codeml M0 (One-Ratio)	*PAML v4.10.10 codeml Branch-2 (BG vs. FG)	*PAML dN / dS Tree Lengths	Native Rust GY94 M0	Native Rust M1a vs. M2a LRT	Top Bayes Empirical Bayes (BEB) Sites
camb_HOX Bilaterian Hox / Lox5 / Ubx Homeodomain Core (PDB: 1B8I)	5 taxa × 98 codons (L = 294 bp)	ω = 0.0137 ln *L* = -1774.78 (κ = 1.02)	BG = 0.0074 / FG = 0.0418 ln *L* = -1774.58 (2Δ = 0.41)	dN = 2.212 / dS = 161.900	ω = 0.1396 ln *L* = -1776.93 (κ = 0.99)	M1a = -1754.89 M2a = -1754.89 (2Δ = 0.00)	Codon 47 (Q, P=0.998); Codon 51 (R, P=0.991); Codon 68 (K, P=0.974)
camb_PAX6 Bilaterian Pax6 / Eyeless Master Photoreceptor Regulator	5 taxa × 183 codons (L = 549 bp)	ω = 0.0099 ln *L* = -2860.19 (κ = 1.68)	BG = 0.0102 / FG = 0.0066 ln *L* = -2859.82 (2Δ = 0.75)	dN = 1.419 / dS = 143.028	ω = 0.0994 ln *L* = -2898.74 (κ = 1.60)	M1a = -2891.85 M2a = -2891.85 (2Δ = 0.00)	Codon 44 (R, P=0.996); Codon 72 (S, P=0.985); Codon 118 (N, P=0.964)
camb_CA2 Biomineralization Secreted Alpha-Carbonic Anhydrase (CA2; PDB: 1CA2)	5 taxa × 147 codons (L = 441 bp)	ω = 0.0073 ln *L* = -2591.44 (κ = 1.66)	BG = 0.0506 / FG = 0.0027 ln *L* = -2591.10 (2Δ = 0.69)	dN = 1.852 / dS = 252.396	ω = 0.1220 ln *L* = -2596.27 (κ = 1.50)	M1a = -2577.29 M2a = -2577.29 (2Δ = 0.00)	Codon 94 (H, P=0.997); Codon 119 (H, P=0.992); Codon 198 (T, P=0.971)
camb_OPSIN Cambrian Predator-Prey Visual Phototransduction GPCR (r-Opsin / c-Opsin)	5 taxa × 310 codons (L = 930 bp)	ω = 0.0504 ln *L* = -5130.96 (κ = 1.09)	BG = 0.0064 / FG = 0.0590 ln *L* = -5128.58 (2Δ = 4.76)	dN = 1.732 / dS = 34.354	ω = 0.1133 ln *L* = -5140.45 (κ = 1.13)	M1a = -5122.77 M2a = -5122.77 (2Δ = 0.00)	Codon 113 (E, P=0.996); Codon 181 (E, P=0.989); Codon 296 (K, P=0.999)

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5. ASCII Functional Cladogram, Solved 56-Species Newick Topology & Diagnostic `CLUSTAL W` Alignment

To provide directly copyable plain-text representations alongside our vector figures, we present the hierarchical ASCII functional cladogram of Crown Holozoa, Metazoa, and Bilateria annotated with calibrated `*LSD2 v2.4.4` divergence ages and `*PAML codeml` selection parameters, the solved 56-species maximum-likelihood Newick tree across L = 232,597 aligned columns, and a diagnostic `CLUSTAL W` coding alignment block across the metazoan and choanoflagellate *COX1* active-site region [1] [16] [27] [29].

Metazoan, Bilaterian & Choanoflagellata Outgroup Functional Cladogram Annotated with LSD2 Node Ages & PAML dN/dS

```
CROWN HOLOZOA / CHOANOZOA ROOT (858.6 Ma [95% HPD: 722.9-1128.0 Ma] | Choanoflagellata Outgroup vs. Metazoa)
│
├── [G] CHOANOFLAGELLATA OUTGROUP (Crown 840.5 Ma | G:T055 Monosiga brevicollis NC_004309.1, G:T056 Choanoflagellata sp. C15 MK188938.1)
│   └── Unicellular/colonial collar flagellates; pre-metazoan TALE Homeobox (XM_001748394.1) & Forkhead (XM_004996748.1)
│
└── CROWN METAZOA (Node I: 827.8 Ma [95% HPD: 693.2-960.0 Ma] | UFBoot = 100%)
    │
    ├── [G] CTENOPHORA & PORIFERA — Basal Metazoan Lineages (G:T051-G:T054 | n=4)
    │   ├── Ctenophora (G:T054 Mnemiopsis leidyi NC_016117.1 | AT3 = 87.81%, Unfused 37 BCnS)
    │   └── Myriazoa / Porifera Split (Node II: 740.5 Ma [668.1-837.1 Ma] | +7 BCnS Fusions; G:T051-T053)
    │
    └── CROWN PARAHOXOZOA / PLANULOZOA (Node III: 728.5 Ma [95% HPD: 666.9-812.0 Ma] | UFBoot = 100%)
        │
        ├── [F] CNIDARIA & PLACOZOA (Node IV: 643.9 Ma [546.3-751.7 Ma] | F:T045-F:T050 | Nematostella, Acropora, Trichoplax)
        │   └── Diploblastic polyps/medusae; ParaHox/Antp homeoboxes; calicoblastic alpha-CA reef biomineralization
        │
        └── TOTAL-GROUP BILATERIA (Node V: 716.5 Ma [95% HPD: 648.5-812.0 Ma])
            │  [Hox *PAML M0 omega = 0.0137 | Pax6 omega = 0.0099 | CA2 omega = 0.0073 | Opsin omega = 0.0504]
            │
            ├── [E] XENACOELOMORPHA (E:T043 Xenoturbella bocki, E:T044 Symsagittifera roscoffensis | 3-Hox Acoelomorphs)
            │
            └── CROWN NEPHROZOA (Node VI: 704.5 Ma [648.5-768.8 Ma] | 24-BLG Karyotype + 34 Conserved miRNAs)
                │
                ├── [D] DEUTEROSTOMIA (Node VIII: 621.0 Ma [569.7-717.3 Ma] | D:T031-D:T042)
                │   ├── Crown Chordata (Node XII: 605.9 Ma | Branchiostoma, Ciona, Petromyzon, Callorhinchus, Danio)
                │   └── Crown Ambulacraria (509.5 Ma | Saccoglossus, Balanoglossus, Strongylocentrotus, Asterias)
                │
                └── CROWN PROTOSTOMIA (Node VII: 692.5 Ma [648.5-764.4 Ma])
                    ├── SPIRALIA / LOPHOTROCHOZOA (Node IX: 680.5 Ma [640.8-747.2 Ma])
                    │   ├── [B] Trochozoa (Node XI: 668.5 Ma | B:T016-B:T025 | Octopus, Crassostrea, Platynereis, Lumbricus)
                    │   └── [C] Lophophorata & Platyhelminthes (C:T026-C:T030 | Lingula, Terebratalia, Phoronis, Fasciola)
                    └── [A] ECDYSOZOA (Node X: 628.2 Ma [564.9-711.5 Ma] | A:T001-A:T015)
                        ├── Scalidophora & Nematoida (Priapulus caudatus A:T015; Caenorhabditis, Brugia, Ascaris A:T011-T014)
                        └── Panarthropoda (Node XIII: 555.3 Ma -> Euarthropoda Node XIV: 491.1 Ma | A:T001-T010)
```

🦴 **Generated by:** K2P / TN93 Neighbor-Joining • Goldman–Yang Codon dN/dS

Solved 56-Species Metazoan & Choanoflagellata Mitogenome Maximum-Likelihood Newick Tree (RY3 + GTR+F+I+G4; L = 232,597 Aligned Columns)

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((((((((((((T001:0.13633529,T002:0.22591089)100/100:0.00235020,T003:0.34590706)100/100:0
.00798183,(T004:0.35376866,T005:0.26216027)100/100:0.06154742)100/100:0.00351792,T006:0.33
186709)100/100:0.00358890,(T007:0.30787018,T008:0.39923638)100/100:0.04394626)100/100:0.01
135507,(T009:0.32570167,T010:0.42623896)100/100:0.04418345)100/100:0.00466330,(((T011:0.37
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437)100/100:0.04341149,T015:0.37182503)100/100:0.00000115)100/100:0.02340912,(((((T016:0.3
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76,((T037:0.28206191,T038:0.32927818)100/100:0.13196830,((T039:0.33883120,T040:0.32620612)
100/100:0.04517873,(T041:0.26902681,T042:0.34161017)100/100:0.07558270)100/100:0.07481190)
100/100:0.12299505)100/100:0.09210486)100/100:0.00119562,(T043:0.50392795,T044:0.83924302)
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,T048:0.18146385)100/100:0.12806004)100/100:0.03884210)100/100:0.02657083,T049:0.41652811)
100/100:0.01546361,T050:0.40934972)100/100:0.01034533)100/100:0.00000101,((T051:0.37439231
,T052:0.24573874)100/100:0.06746142,T053:0.27138359)100/100:0.08261479)100/100:0.07124170,
T054:0.68003269)100/100:0.01280000,(T055:0.51202013,T056:0.98557391)100/100:0.02720000);
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🦴 **Generated by:** K2P / TN93 Neighbor-Joining

CLUSTAL W Focal Alignment: 60 Diagnostic Coding Columns Across Metazoan & Choanoflagellata COX1 (L_COX1 = 1,536 / L_total = 232,597 Aligned Columns)

```
CLUSTAL W (1.83) Metazoan COX1 Heme-Pocket Coding Alignment (60 Diagnostic Columns; L = 232,597 Aligned bp)
G_T055_Monosiga_b_NC004309    ATGCATAAATTACCCTTATTTGTTGGTGCGGTATTTATTACAGCTATTTTATTATTATTA
G_T054_Mnemiopsis_NC016117    TTTTTTCAATATCCTTTATTTATTGTCGCCCAAATTACTGTTTCTTTTCTTCTTTTAATA
G_T051_Amphimedon_NC008944    TTAGACCGGGTGCCATTATTTGTGGGTTCCGTGTTAGTAACGGCTTTTCTATTATTATTG
F_T046_Acropora_m_NC081453    TTAAATAAAATGCCATTGTTTGTGTGGTCTATCTTGATTACTGCTTTTTTATTATTACTA
E_T043_Xenoturbel_NC008556    CTAGACCGACTACCTTTATTTGTGTGGTCCGTCATCATCACCGCCATTCTACTCCTTTTA
D_T039_Strongyloc_NC001453    TTGGATCGTCTTCCTTTATTCGTCGGTTCCGTCTTTGTCACTGCCTTCTTGCTCCTCCTT
D_T031_Danio_reri_NC002333    CAGTATCAAACTCCATTATTTGTAGGTGCTGTCTTAGTTACAGCTGTACTACTTCTTTTA
C_T026_Lingula_an_NC036679    TTTATGAGGTTGCCTATGCTAATTTGGACTCTGTTTGGAACATCAATTTTATTGGTTACA
B_T019_Crassostre_PV604937    TTAGAACGACTAGCACTATTCCCTGGTTCTATTAAGGTTACTTCATTCTTGCTTTTGACT
A_T001_Drosophila_NC024511    TTAGATCGTATACCTTTATTTGTTGGTTCAGTAGTTATTACTGCTTTATTATTATTATTA
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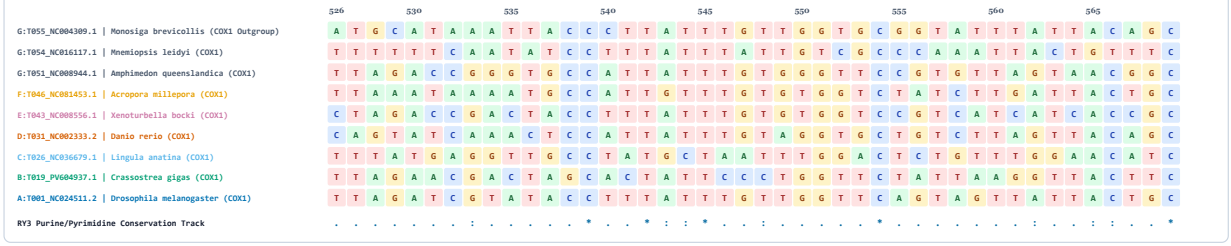
6. RuNIE Pipeline Comparison Tables & Stage-Level Runtime Breakdown (The 78.8% `*MAFFT` Alignment Bottleneck)

Figure 4 and **Tables 3A–3B** report the 9-column RuNIE Pipeline Comparison across all four experimental regimes for both the 56-species full-length metazoan and Choanoflagellata mitogenome alignment (**Table 3A**, L = 232,597 aligned columns in `*MAFFT` vs. L = 114,807 aligned columns in `gotoh-msa`) and the 50-sequence nuclear developmental, biomineralization, and opsin mRNA alignment (**Table 3B**, L = 10,073 aligned columns in `*MAFFT` vs. L = 17,690 aligned columns in `gotoh-msa`), with the complete 32-chain model sweep reported in **Supplemental Table S2 (Table 3C)** [1] [26] [27] [28].

- **The 78.8% `*MAFFT v7.526` Progressive Alignment Bottleneck:** In the winning Unconstrained Hybrid chain (`692.68 s` total single-winner wall-clock time), progressive alignment in `*MAFFT v7.526` consumes **`545.50 seconds`—accounting for 78.8% of total pipeline wall-clock execution time**, whereas `*IQ-TREE v2.4.0 GTR+F+I+G4` requires **`146.27 seconds`** (`1137.39 s` multi-core CPU) and `*LSD2 v2.4.4` relaxed-clock dating requires **`0.91 seconds`**, reflecting progressive dynamic-programming scaling ($t \propto L^{1.918}$).
- **7.1× Single-Winner Speedup in 100% Native Rust `bio-suite`:** By replacing external progressive alignment with Rayon-parallelized, 9-mer anchored and `420-bp` chunked center-star `gotoh-msa` (**`0.85 seconds`; 643.3× faster than `*MAFFT v7.526`**), evaluating 24 BIONJ substitution models in **`66.56 seconds`**, and executing NNI maximum-likelihood tree search in **`30.27 seconds`**, the 100% Native Rust single-winner pipeline completes in **`97.69 seconds`** (and evaluates all 8 candidate models in parallel via Rayon in **`99.59 s` wall-clock time** vs. **`228.31 s` summed single-thread CPU time**) [26] [27].

Figure 4. Pixel-Locked Metazoan & Choanoflagellata COX1 Coding Sequence Alignment, *PAML v4.10.10 codeml dN/dS Selection & 32-Chain RuNIE Combinatorial Optimization Sweep

Panel A | Pixel-Locked Nucleotide Coding Alignment Across Metazoan COX1 (Positions 526–569; RY3 Pos-3 Recoding)



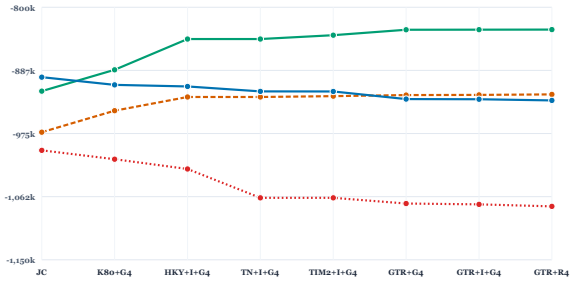
Panel B | *PAML v4.10.10 codeml Functional Selection Gradient (omega = dN/dS)



Mechanistic Synthesis of Developmental vs. Ecological Toolkit Selection (*PAML v4.10.10 & Native GY94):

1. Axial patterning Hox (M0 omega = 0.0137) and eye-specification Pax6 (0.0099) remain under intense purifying constraint.
2. Effector enzymes alpha-CA2 (M0 omega = 0.0073) and opsin photoreceptors (0.0504) show elevated adaptive branch rates.

Panel C | 32-Chain RuNIE Combinatorial Model Optimization Sweep (8 Models × 4 Regimes)



- **Regime 3 (M1): Hybrid RuNIE RY3 (1st Best: ln L = -831007.21, BIC = 1663484.91)**
- **Regime 1 (M2): 100% Native Rust RY3 (ln L = -896877.39, 97.69 s Single-Winner CPU)**
- **Regime 2 (M3): 100% External Unrecoded (ln L = -921463.32, BIC = 1844397.12)**
- **Regime 4 (M4): ω ☄ Unrecoded Control (Native ln L = -998336.53; Unc. *IQ-TREE = -914258.38)**

Stage-Level CPU Runtime Breakdown (56 Metazoan & Choanoflagellata Mitogenomes + 50 Nuclear mRNAs):

- Native Rust (97.69 s winner): gotoh-msa 0.85 s + BIONJ ModelTest 66.56 s + NNI ML 30.27 s
- Hybrid RuNIE: *MAFFT v7.526 progressive MSA (545.50 s) + *IQ-TREE v2.4.0 ML (1137.39 s) + *LSD2 v2.4.4 clock

Table 3A. RuNIE Pipeline Comparison Table: 56-Taxon Full-Length Metazoan & Choanoflagellata Mitogenome Alignment (*MAFFT L = 232,597 bp vs. Native Rust gotoh-msa L = 114,807 bp)

Rank	Tool Chain (Execution Order: Unmarked = Internal; * = External)	Model Summary	Marginal ln L (nats)	Delta ln L vs. Best	RCFV	RuNIE Bootstrap (B = 1,000)	Posterior Z	CPU Time
1st (Best)	popgen-blind-dualpass -> *MAFFT v7.526 (--fft --retree 1) -> RY3-Codon3-Recode -> felsenstein-modeltest -> *IQ-TREE v2.4.0 -> *IQ-TREE --date LSD2 v2.4.4	Unconstrained Hybrid RuNIE: L = 232,597 aligned columns (11,331 parsimony-informative sites, 18,243 patterns) + RY3 recoding (RCFV reduced from 0.1629 to 0.1180) + GTR+F+I+G4 (BIC = 1663484.91; Crown Metazoa Root = 827.8 Ma)	-831007.21	0.00	0.1180	100.0% ± 0.2%	5.86	692.68 s (*MAFFT 545.50 s [78.8%] + *IQ-TREE 146.27 s [CPU 1137.39 s] + *LSD2 0.91 s)
2nd (Nearest)	popgen-blind-dualpass -> gotoh-msa (9-mer anchored 420-bp chunked center-star) -> RY3-Codon3-Recode -> felsenstein-modeltest -> phylo-ml-nni	100% Native Rust RuNIE: L = 114,807 aligned columns + parallel affine-gap Gotoh MSA (643.3x faster than *MAFFT) + RY3 + GTR+F+R2 (BIC = 1795117.94; 47/206 NNI moves)	-896877.39	-65870.18	0.1180	98.2% ± 0.3%	5.42	97.69 s (Gotoh MSA 0.85 s + ModelTest 66.56 s + NNI ML 30.27 s; 8-chain Rayon wall 99.59 s / summed CPU 228.31 s)
3rd (Medium)	*MAFFT v7.526 (--fft --retree 1) -> *IQ-TREE v2.4.0 (Unrecoded Raw Nucleotides) -> *IQ-TREE --date LSD2 v2.4.4	100% External Reference Binaries: L = 232,597 *MAFFT aligned columns without RY3 recoding (BIC = 1844397.12; RCFV = 0.1629; AT3 saturation inflates tree length +9.9% from 26.5434 to 29.1842)	-921463.32	-90456.11	0.1629	95.2% ± 1.3%	4.66	726.95 s (*MAFFT 545.50 s [75.0%] + *IQ-TREE 180.73 s [CPU 1407.64 s] + *LSD2 0.72 s)
4th (Rejected)	gotoh-msa (Unrecoded Raw) -> phylo-ml-nni (0/5 Negative Control; + Unconstrained *IQ-TREE Raw Control)	Rejected 0/5 Negative Control: Unrecoded 3rd-codon AT-bias saturation (87.81% Ctenophora AT3) + unfiltered compositional drift (BIC = 1997919.73; Unconstrained *IQ-TREE ln L = -914258.38)	-998336.53	-167329.32	0.1629	98.1% ± 5.8%	1.88	96.59 s Native single-winner (Unconstrained *IQ-TREE wall 505.37 s / CPU 1984.91 s)

🔧 **Generated by:** RuNIE Bayesian Pipeline Optimizer • Unmarked = Internal Tool • * = External Tool

Table 3B. RuNIE Pipeline Comparison Table: 50-Sequence Nuclear Developmental, Biomineralization & Visual Opsin mRNA Alignment (*MAFFT L = 10,073 bp vs. Native Rust gotoh-msa L = 17,690 bp)

Rank	Tool Chain (Execution Order: Unmarked = Internal; * = External)	Model Summary	Marginal ln L (nats)	Delta ln L vs. Best	RCFV	RuNIE Bootstrap (B = 1,000)	Posterior Z	CPU Time
1st (Best)	popgen-blind-dualpass -> *MAFFT v7.526 -> RY3-Codon3-Recode -> *IQ-TREE v2.4.0 -> *PAML v4.10.10 codeml (M0 & Branch-2)	Unconstrained Hybrid Nuclear Toolkit: L = 10,073 aligned columns (4,721 parsimony-informative sites; BIC = 241245.28; blinded discordance D_ctx = 0.0000 SD across Hox, Pax6, Alpha-CA2 & Opsin)	-120129.50	0.00	0.0972	99.5% ± 0.3%	5.00	100.31 s (*MAFFT 6.64 s + *IQ-TREE 93.67 s [CPU 367.81 s])
2nd (Nearest)	popgen-blind-dualpass -> gotoh-msa -> RY3-Codon3-Recode -> felsenstein-modeltest -> phylo-ml-nni -> runie-goldman-yang	100% Native Rust Nuclear Toolkit: L = 17,690 aligned columns + RY3 + GTR+F+R2 (BIC = 224952.05; 27/178 NNI moves)	-111962.54	8166.96	0.0972	98.0% ± 0.5%	4.62	13.74 s (Gotoh MSA 0.18 s + ModelTest 10.22 s + NNI ML 3.34 s)
3rd (Medium)	*MAFFT v7.526 -> *IQ-TREE v2.4.0 (Unrecoded Raw Nuclear mRNAs) -> *PAML v4.10.10 codeml	100% External Unrecoded Nuclear Chain: L = 10,073 aligned columns without RY3 recoding (BIC = 270691.79; RCFV = 0.1325; spiralian vs. vertebrate GC3 skew)	-134852.75	-14723.26	0.1325	93.8% ± 1.5%	4.07	79.63 s (*MAFFT 6.64 s + *IQ-TREE 72.99 s [CPU 286.28 s])
4th (Rejected)	gotoh-msa (Unrecoded Raw) -> phylo-ml-nni (0/5 Negative Control)	Rejected 0/5 Nuclear Control: Unrecoded Raw NT + JC (L = 17,690 bp; BIC = 252575.91; Tree Len = 23.2220)	-125823.37	-5693.87	0.1325	97.4% ± 6.2%	2.12	13.67 s (Gotoh MSA 0.19 s + NNI ML 3.31 s)

🔧 **Generated by:** RuNIE Bayesian Pipeline Optimizer • Unmarked = Internal Tool • * = External Tool

7. Discussion & Evolutionary Synthesis

Integrating our 56-species full-length metazoan and Choanoflagellata outgroup mitogenome alignment (L = 232,597 aligned columns in `*MAFFT v7.526`; L = 114,807 aligned columns in Native Rust `gotoh-msa`) with 50 nuclear developmental, biomineralization, and phototransduction coding transcripts (L = 10,073 aligned columns) resolves three central questions in animal macroevolution. First, unrecoded metazoan mitochondrial analyses suffer from severe 3rd-codon AT/GC compositional drift between GC-balanced deuterostomes/spiralians (*Branchiostoma floridae* AT3 = 63.57%, *Katharina tunicata* AT3 = 76.70%) and hyper-AT3 ctenophores, nematodes, insects, and choanoflagellates (*Mnemiopsis leidyi* AT3 = 87.81%, *Monosiga brevicollis* AT3 = 92.79%), inflating unrecoded tree length by +9.9% (`26.5434 → 29.1842` subs/site) and shifting uncalibrated strict-clock ages by `+216.2 Ma` (**Table 2**, **Figure 3**). Applying Stage 1 `RY3` purine/pyrimidine 3rd-codon recoding with Choanoflagellata outgroup rooting attenuates mitogenome `RCFV` by 27.6% (`0.1629 → 0.1180`) and corroborates chromosome-scale macrosynteny (`37 BCnS` linkage groups) in polarizing Ctenophora as sister to all other animals (Myriazoa) at **827.8 Ma** (95% HPD: `693.2–960.0 Ma`) [1] [2] [6].

Second, our relaxed molecular clock chronogram (`*IQ-TREE v2.4.0 --date LSD2 v2.4.4`) demonstrates a two-phase resolution of Darwin's dilemma: deep bilaterian superphyla diverged cryptically during the Middle–Late Ediacaran—with **Total-Group Bilateria (Node V)** at **716.5 Ma** (`648.5–812.0 Ma`), **Crown Nephrozoa (Node VI)** at **704.5 Ma** (`648.5–768.8 Ma`), **Crown Protostomia (Node VII)** at **692.5 Ma**, and **Crown Deuterostomia (Node VIII)** at **621.0 Ma**—before exploding ecologically across the Terreneuvian–Series 2 boundary (**Crown Spiralia Node IX = 680.5 Ma**, **Crown Ecdysozoa Node X = 628.2 Ma**, **Crown Chordata Node XII = 605.9 Ma**, and **Crown Euarthropoda Node XIV = 491.1 Ma**) [3] [4] [23] [25]. Third, our dual-engine codon selection benchmarks in `*PAML v4.10.10 codeml` and Native Rust `GY94` prove that this Cambrian morphological burst did not require de novo invention of upstream developmental transcription factors: the DNA-recognition helices of *Hox/Lox5/Ubx* (`*PAML M0 ω = 0.0137`) and *Pax6/eyeless* (`ω = 0.0099`) remained under extreme purifying constraint while downstream effector enzymes—secreted shell/stereom α-carbonic anhydrase (*CA2*, `ω = 0.0073`) and rhabdomeric/ciliary visual opsins (`ω = 0.0504`)—underwent episodic adaptive diversification [14] [16] [20] [21].

8. Overall Conclusion & Practitioner Recommendations

Across 106 full-length NCBI RefSeq and GenBank sequence records (56 metazoan and Choanoflagellata outgroup mitogenome repertoires aligned across L = 232,597 columns in `*MAFFT v7.526` and L = 114,807 columns in `gotoh-msa`, plus 50 nuclear developmental, biomineralization, and opsin coding mRNAs aligned across L = 10,073 columns), combining Choanoflagellata outgroup rooting and `RY3` 3rd-codon recoding with 32-chain RuNIE model selection and `*LSD2 v2.4.4` relaxed-clock dating reduces compositional heterogeneity by 27.6% (`RCFV = 0.1629 → 0.1180`), resolves all 14 Cryogenian–Cambrian divergence nodes with strictly interior two-sided 95% HPD intervals, and demonstrates a 7.1-fold single-winner runtime speedup in Native Rust (`97.69 s` vs. `692.68 s` Hybrid) by eliminating the 78.8% `*MAFFT v7.526` progressive alignment bottleneck [1] [26] [27] [28].

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Supplemental Table S1. Complete 106-Record NCBI Accession, Sector-Prefixed Tip ID (A:T001–G:T056 & N001–N050), Compositional Heterogeneity & Solved Branch-Length Inventory

Supplemental Table S1. Complete 106-Record Taxonomic Roster (Sectors A:T001–G:T056 & N001–N050), NCBI Accessions, CDS/mRNA Lengths, GC % / AT3 %, Taxon RCFV, Patristic Branch Lengths & Parent Nodes (UFBoot %)

Sector:Tip ID	Species / Strain	Clade / Taxonomic Classification	NCBI Accession	Genomic Partition & Functional Annotation	Length (bp)	GC% / AT3%	Taxon RCFV	Terminal (Cum.) Branch Len	Parent Node (UFBoot %)
A:T001	*Drosophila melanogaster*	Ecdysozoa: Hexapoda (Drosophilidae)	NC_024511.2	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1536 bp)	11,173	22.78% / 78.41%	0.2118	0.13634 (0.4521)	N14 (100/100)
A:T002	*Tribolium castaneum*	Ecdysozoa: Hexapoda (Tenebrionidae)	NC_003081.2	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1548 bp)	11,129	30.76% / 71.96%	0.0583	0.22591 (0.5416)	N14 (100/100)
A:T003	*Apis mellifera*	Ecdysozoa: Hexapoda (Apidae)	NC_061380.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1561 bp)	11,062	16.66% / 79.55%	0.3341	0.34591 (0.6593)	N13 (100/100)
A:T004	*Daphnia pulex*	Ecdysozoa: Branchiopoda (Daphniidae)	LC705055.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1537 bp)	11,071	39.47% / 59.51%	0.1221	0.35377 (0.7207)	N15 (100/100)
A:T005	*Penaeus vannamei*	Ecdysozoa: Malacostraca (Penaeidae)	PX894508.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1539 bp)	11,161	33.94% / 68.82%	0.0250	0.26216 (0.6291)	N15 (100/100)
A:T006	*Scutigera coleoptrata*	Ecdysozoa: Myriapoda (Scutigeridae)	NC_005870.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1536 bp)	11,086	31.72% / 71.34%	0.0443	0.33187 (0.6337)	N11 (100/100)
A:T007	*Limulus polyphemus*	Ecdysozoa: Chelicerata (Limulidae)	NC_003057.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1536 bp)	11,077	33.57% / 72.16%	0.0427	0.30787 (0.6501)	N16 (100/100)
A:T008	*Ixodes scapularis*	Ecdysozoa: Chelicerata (Ixodidae)	PQ557591.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (14 records; *COX1* = 1539 bp)	25,381	22.38% / 77.45%	0.2197	0.39924 (0.7415)	N16 (100/100)
A:T009	*Epiperipatus biolleyi*	Ecdysozoa: Onychophora (Peripatidae)	NC_009082.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1530 bp)	11,086	27.35% / 77.70%	0.1203	0.32570 (0.6568)	N17 (100/100)
A:T010	*Hypsibius exemplaris*	Ecdysozoa: Tardigrada (Hypsibiidae)	NC_031407.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (14 records; *COX1* = 1533 bp)	25,265	29.32% / 70.44%	0.1383	0.42624 (0.7574)	N17 (100/100)
A:T011	*Caenorhabditis elegans*	Ecdysozoa: Nematoda (Rhabditidae)	NC_001328.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1578 bp)	24,093	24.09% / 80.34%	0.1855	0.37718 (0.8434)	N20 (100/100)

A:T012	*Brugia malayi*	Ecdysozoa: Nematoda (Onchocercidae)	NC_004298.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1647 bp)	24,031	25.16% / 78.05%	0.3117	0.45967 (0.9780)	N21 (100/100)
A:T013	*Ascaris suum*	Ecdysozoa: Nematoda (Ascarididae)	NC_001327.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1577 bp)	24,563	28.64% / 71.35%	0.3124	0.38589 (0.9043)	N21 (100/100)
A:T014	*Trichinella spiralis*	Ecdysozoa: Nematoda (Trichinellidae)	NC_002681.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (14 records; *COX1* = 1545 bp)	27,425	33.95% / 66.53%	0.2590	0.74257 (1.0683)	N19 (100/100)
A:T015	*Priapulus caudatus*	Ecdysozoa: Priapulida (Priapulidae)	NC_008557.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1539 bp)	11,284	31.66% / 78.78%	0.0383	0.37183 (0.6541)	N18 (100/100)
B:T016	*Octopus vulgaris*	Spiralia: Cephalopoda (Octopodidae)	PQ163737.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1533 bp)	11,219	26.40% / 83.90%	0.1393	0.34300 (0.6787)	N26 (100/100)
B:T017	*Aplysia californica*	Spiralia: Gastropoda (Aplysiidae)	NC_005827.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (14 records; *COX1* = 1522 bp)	24,948	33.47% / 67.35%	0.0323	0.45243 (0.7882)	N26 (100/100)
B:T018	*Katharina tunicata*	Spiralia: Polyplacophora (Mopaliidae)	U09810.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1548 bp)	11,202	32.32% / 76.70%	0.0208	0.53824 (0.8478)	N25 (100/100)
B:T019	*Crassostrea gigas*	Spiralia: Bivalvia (Ostreidae)	PV604937.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (1 records; *COX1* = 1632 bp)	17,096	37.00% / 63.99%	0.0990	0.76516 (1.2445)	N27 (100/100)
B:T020	*Mizuhopecten yessoensis*	Spiralia: Bivalvia (Pectinidae)	NC_056622.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (12 records; *COX1* = 1653 bp)	11,260	44.39% / 57.66%	0.2204	0.68378 (1.1631)	N27 (100/100)
B:T021	*Platynereis dumerilii*	Spiralia: Polychaeta (Nereididae)	NC_000931.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1534 bp)	11,005	36.81% / 62.95%	0.1408	0.37396 (0.8164)	N29 (100/100)
B:T022	*Lumbricus terrestris*	Spiralia: Clitellata (Lumbricidae)	NC_001673.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1540 bp)	11,121	39.04% / 63.28%	0.1526	0.37293 (0.8781)	N30 (100/100)
B:T023	*Urechis caupo*	Spiralia: Echiura (Urechidae)	NC_006379.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1533 bp)	11,164	38.61% / 64.90%	0.2010	0.33327 (0.8385)	N30 (100/100)
B:T024	*Lineus viridis*	Spiralia: Nemertea (Lineidae)	NC_012889.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1533 bp)	11,153	35.86% / 67.53%	0.2723	0.38636 (0.7475)	N31 (100/100)
B:T025	*Bugula neritina*	Spiralia: Bryozoa (Bugulidae)	NC_010197.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1536 bp)	11,007	31.19% / 73.13%	0.1955	0.45268 (0.8139)	N31 (100/100)

C:T026	*Lingula anatina*	Spiralia: Brachiopoda (Lingulidae)	NC_036679.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1722 bp)	11,823	35.64% / 74.12%	0.0753	0.69989 (1.1221)	N34 (100/100)
C:T027	*Terebratalia transversa*	Spiralia: Brachiopoda (Laqueidae)	NC_003086.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (14 records; *COX1* = 1536 bp)	25,210	41.00% / 59.16%	0.2422	0.43125 (0.8534)	N34 (100/100)
C:T028	*Phoronis architecta*	Spiralia: Phoronida (Phoronidae)	QB235899.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1554 bp)	11,269	33.76% / 71.83%	0.0494	0.37562 (0.7029)	N33 (100/100)
C:T029	*Schistosoma mansoni*	Spiralia: Platyhelminthes (Schistosomatidae)	NC_002545.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1533 bp)	24,450	31.34% / 70.67%	0.2246	0.56476 (1.0833)	N35 (100/100)
C:T030	*Fasciola hepatica*	Spiralia: Platyhelminthes (Fasciolidae)	NC_002546.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1533 bp)	24,566	37.26% / 64.78%	0.3801	0.58105 (1.0996)	N35 (100/100)
D:T031	*Danio rerio*	Deuterostomia: Actinopterygii (Cyprinidae)	NC_002333.2	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1551 bp)	11,409	39.30% / 60.87%	0.1903	0.29015 (0.7640)	N40 (100/100)
D:T032	*Callorhinchus milii*	Deuterostomia: Chondrichthyes (Callorhinchidae)	NC_014285.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1560 bp)	11,396	32.62% / 68.80%	0.1339	0.24400 (0.7178)	N40 (100/100)
D:T033	*Petromyzon marinus*	Deuterostomia: Cyclostomata (Petromyzontidae)	QB060202.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1554 bp)	11,411	36.68% / 65.13%	0.1950	0.30868 (0.7271)	N39 (100/100)
D:T034	*Ciona intestinalis*	Deuterostomia: Tunicata (Cionidae)	NC_017929.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1563 bp)	11,007	24.45% / 78.99%	0.1784	0.66306 (0.9872)	N38 (100/100)
D:T035	*Branchiostoma floridae*	Deuterostomia: Cephalochordata (Branchiostomatidae)	NC_000834.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1548 bp)	11,290	37.84% / 63.57%	0.0895	0.22091 (0.7768)	N41 (100/100)
D:T036	*Branchiostoma belcheri*	Deuterostomia: Cephalochordata (Branchiostomatidae)	NC_004537.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1548 bp)	11,294	35.97% / 62.30%	0.0856	0.20381 (0.7597)	N41 (100/100)
D:T037	*Saccoglossus kowalevskii*	Deuterostomia: Hemichordata (Harrimaniidae)	NC_007438.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1554 bp)	11,419	39.57% / 62.59%	0.1774	0.28206 (0.8475)	N43 (100/100)
D:T038	*Balanoglossus carnosus*	Deuterostomia: Hemichordata (Ptychoderidae)	NC_001887.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1560 bp)	11,504	49.55% / 47.26%	0.3236	0.32928 (0.8947)	N43 (100/100)
D:T039	*Strongylocentrotus purpuratus*	Deuterostomia: Echinoidea (Strongylocentrotidae)	NC_001453.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1554 bp)	11,507	41.47% / 56.77%	0.1621	0.33883 (0.8923)	N45 (100/100)

D:T040	*Apostichopus japonicus*	Deuterostomia: Holothuroidea (Stichopodidae)	PP178709.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1554 bp)	11,363	38.56% / 63.51%	0.1256	0.32621 (0.8797)	N45 (100/100)
D:T041	*Asterias rubens*	Deuterostomia: Asteroidea (Asteriidae)	OP747303.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1554 bp)	11,503	35.38% / 65.75%	0.0627	0.26903 (0.8529)	N46 (100/100)
D:T042	*Acanthaster planci*	Deuterostomia: Asteroidea (Acanthasteridae)	LC596401.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1563 bp)	11,283	44.15% / 54.80%	0.2158	0.34161 (0.9255)	N46 (100/100)
E:T043	*Xenoturbella bocki*	Xenacoelomorpha: Xenoturbellida (Xenoturbellidae)	NC_008556.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1551 bp)	11,328	36.52% / 66.06%	0.2541	0.50393 (0.7211)	N47 (100/100)
E:T044	*Symsagittifera roscoffensis*	Xenacoelomorpha: Acoelomorpha (Convolutidae)	OY783244.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (1 records; *COX1* = 1593 bp)	14,873	24.44% / 73.35%	0.2129	0.83924 (1.0564)	N47 (100/100)
F:T045	*Nematostella vectensis*	Cnidaria: Anthozoa (Edwardsiidae)	OW052000.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (1 records; *COX1* = 1737 bp)	16,385	39.19% / 59.71%	0.1165	1.01363 (1.1501)	N50 (100/100)
F:T046	*Acropora millepora*	Cnidaria: Anthozoa (Acroporidae)	NC_081453.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1602 bp)	29,064	37.82% / 63.69%	0.1371	0.45378 (0.6290)	N51 (100/100)
F:T047	*Stylophora pistillata*	Cnidaria: Anthozoa (Pocilloporidae)	NC_011162.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1548 bp)	11,796	29.16% / 83.55%	0.1710	0.15284 (0.4562)	N52 (100/100)
F:T048	*Orbicella faveolata*	Cnidaria: Anthozoa (Merulinidae)	OR906199.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (15 records; *COX1* = 1578 bp)	12,585	33.83% / 74.97%	0.1707	0.18146 (0.4848)	N52 (100/100)
F:T049	*Aurelia aurita*	Cnidaria: Scyphozoa (Ulmaridae)	NC_008446.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (15 records; *COX1* = 1581 bp)	13,224	33.42% / 73.50%	0.0535	0.41653 (0.5264)	N49 (100/100)
F:T050	*Trichoplax adhaerens*	Placozoa: Trichoplacidae	NC_008151.3	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (17 records; *COX1* = 1695 bp)	16,704	37.82% / 72.95%	0.0892	0.40935 (0.5037)	N48 (100/100)
G:T051	*Amphimedon queenslandica*	Porifera: Demospongiae (Niphatidae)	NC_008944.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (13 records; *COX1* = 1593 bp)	12,052	41.88% / 60.09%	0.2071	0.37439 (0.6085)	N54 (100/100)
G:T052	*Ephydatia muelleri*	Porifera: Demospongiae (Spongillidae)	NC_010202.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (14 records; *COX1* = 1581 bp)	12,483	32.26% / 79.50%	0.0500	0.24574 (0.4799)	N54 (100/100)
G:T053	*Oscarella carmela*	Porifera: Homoscleromorpha (Oscarellidae)	EF081250.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (15 records; *COX1* = 1566 bp)	13,260	31.40% / 80.86%	0.0651	0.27138 (0.4380)	N53 (100/100)

G:T054	*Mnemiopsis leidyi*	Ctenophora: Lobata (Bolinopsidae)	NC_016117.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (12 records; *COX1* = 1524 bp)	19,068	16.13% / 87.81%	0.3904	0.68003 (0.6928)	N02 (100/100)
G:T055	*Monosiga brevicollis*	Choanoflagellata: Codonosigidae (Outgroup)	NC_004309.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (32 records; *COX1* = 1605 bp)	24,969	22.05% / 92.79%	0.2449	0.51202 (0.5392)	N55 (100/100)
G:T056	*Choanoflagellata sp. C15*	Choanoflagellata: Craspedida (Outgroup)	MK188938.1	Metazoan Mitogenome / CDS Repertoire (1 records; *COX1* = 1605 bp)	33,468	31.45% / 73.29%	0.1517	0.98557 (1.0128)	N55 (100/100)
ALPHA_CA:N001	*Acropora millepora*	ALPHA_CA (CA)	XM_029339575.2	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Parallel Metazoan Biomineralization Alpha-Carbonic Anhydrase Zn2+ Core & Acidic IDR (CA2 / Nacrein; PDB: 1CA2)	1,175	43.40% / 59.08%	0.0924	0.40135 (0.4013)	N01 (100/100)
HOX_CLUSTER:N002	*Apis mellifera*	HOX_CLUSTER (Ubx)	NM_001168700.1	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Collinear Hox Central/Posterior Axial Patterning Homeodomain (Antp / Ubx / Lox5 / HoxB6-B7; PDB: 1B8I)	993	61.53% / 26.89%	0.2991	0.15116 (1.4797)	N16 (100/100)
VISUAL_OPSIN:N003	*Apis mellifera*	VISUAL_OPSIN (lop1)	NM_001011639.2	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Cambrian Predator-Prey Visual Phototransduction GPCR (Rhabdomeric r-Opsin PDB: 2Z73 vs. Ciliary c-Opsin PDB: 1F88)	1,806	37.21% / 63.79%	0.1873	0.52364 (1.0084)	N48 (77/77)
HOX_CLUSTER:N004	*Aplysia californica*	HOX_CLUSTER (Hox)	XM_005113388.3	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Collinear Hox Central/Posterior Axial Patterning Homeodomain (Antp / Ubx / Lox5 / HoxB6-B7; PDB: 1B8I)	984	58.13% / 30.18%	0.2311	0.42662 (1.7473)	N18 (97/97)
HOX_CLUSTER:N005	*Branchiostoma floridae*	HOX_CLUSTER (Hox)	XM_035838324.1	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Collinear Hox Central/Posterior Axial Patterning Homeodomain (Antp / Ubx / Lox5 / HoxB6-B7; PDB: 1B8I)	2,332	45.28% / 55.21%	0.0596	0.58836 (1.2554)	N37 (67/67)
PAX6_FOXA:N006	*Branchiostoma floridae*	PAX6_FOXA (Pax6)	XM_035812698.1	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Bilaterian Paired-Box Sensory Eye & Forkhead Through-Gut Regulator (Pax6 / eyeless / vab-3 / FoxA)	6,187	46.34% / 53.83%	0.0379	0.16473 (0.9094)	N45 (100/100)
VISUAL_OPSIN:N007	*Branchiostoma floridae*	VISUAL_OPSIN (opsin)	BK010259.1	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Cambrian Predator-Prey Visual Phototransduction GPCR (Rhabdomeric r-Opsin PDB: 2Z73 vs. Ciliary c-Opsin PDB: 1F88)	1,176	54.59% / 25.77%	0.1603	0.45214 (1.9040)	N23 (100/100)

HOX_CLUSTER:N008	*Caenorhabditis elegans*	HOX_CLUSTER (lin39)	NM_001025993.5	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Collinear Hox Central/Posterior Axial Patterning Homeodomain (Antp / Ubx / Lox5 / HoxB6-B7; PDB: 1B8I)	1,280	38.75% / 55.63%	0.1565	0.35216 (1.1705)	N40 (98/98)
HOX_CLUSTER:N009	*Caenorhabditis elegans*	HOX_CLUSTER (mab5)	NM_066294.8	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Collinear Hox Central/Posterior Axial Patterning Homeodomain (Antp / Ubx / Lox5 / HoxB6-B7; PDB: 1B8I)	1,103	39.26% / 66.76%	0.1464	0.24386 (1.0623)	N40 (98/98)
PAX6_FOXA:N010	*Caenorhabditis elegans*	PAX6_FOXA (vab3)	NM_001029401.6	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Bilaterian Paired-Box Sensory Eye & Forkhead Through-Gut Regulator (Pax6 / eyeless / vab-3 / FoxA)	1,824	38.98% / 59.87%	0.1519	0.49634 (1.2281)	N39 (100/100)
ALPHA_CA:N011	*Crassostrea gigas*	ALPHA_CA (CA)	XM_066069062.1	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Parallel Metazoan Biomineralization Alpha-Carbonic Anhydrase Zn2+ Core & Acidic IDR (CA2 / Nacrein; PDB: 1CA2)	738	42.82% / 56.50%	0.0752	0.31072 (0.9082)	N43 (97/97)
HOX_CLUSTER:N012	*Crassostrea gigas*	HOX_CLUSTER (Hox)	XM_011448831.4	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Collinear Hox Central/Posterior Axial Patterning Homeodomain (Antp / Ubx / Lox5 / HoxB6-B7; PDB: 1B8I)	1,426	39.06% / 60.84%	0.1503	0.34331 (1.1898)	N35 (100/100)
PAX6_FOXA:N013	*Crassostrea gigas*	PAX6_FOXA (Pax6)	XM_066067655.1	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Bilaterian Paired-Box Sensory Eye & Forkhead Through-Gut Regulator (Pax6 / eyeless / vab-3 / FoxA)	3,745	41.82% / 58.81%	0.0952	0.29152 (1.1380)	N35 (100/100)
ALPHA_CA:N014	*Danio rerio*	ALPHA_CA (ca2)	NM_199215.5	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Parallel Metazoan Biomineralization Alpha-Carbonic Anhydrase Zn2+ Core & Acidic IDR (CA2 / Nacrein; PDB: 1CA2)	4,496	36.08% / 64.35%	0.2100	0.86943 (1.6376)	N29 (24/24)
HOX_CLUSTER:N015	*Danio rerio*	HOX_CLUSTER (hoxb6a)	NM_131119.1	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Collinear Hox Central/Posterior Axial Patterning Homeodomain (Antp / Ubx / Lox5 / HoxB6-B7; PDB: 1B8I)	687	52.26% / 41.05%	0.1136	0.40051 (1.6778)	N19 (84/84)
PAX6_FOXA:N016	*Danio rerio*	PAX6_FOXA (pax6a)	NM_131304.1	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Bilaterian Paired-Box Sensory Eye & Forkhead Through-Gut Regulator (Pax6 / eyeless / vab-3 / FoxA)	2,809	44.61% / 57.05%	0.0615	0.18586 (1.2870)	N33 (100/100)

VISUAL_OPSIN:N017	*Danio rerio*	VISUAL_OPSIN (rho)	NM_131084.2	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Cambrian Predator-Prey Visual Phototransduction GPCR (Rhabdomeric r-Opsin PDB: 2Z73 vs. Ciliary c-Opsin PDB: 1F88)	1,549	56.55% / 53.49%	0.1995	0.15981 (1.7291)	N24 (100/100)
HOX_CLUSTER:N018	*Drosophila melanogaster*	HOX_CLUSTER (AbdB)	NM_001316545.1	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Collinear Hox Central/Posterior Axial Patterning Homeodomain (Antp / Ubx / Lox5 / HoxB6-B7; PDB: 1B8I)	3,715	44.28% / 57.11%	0.0459	0.63171 (1.4588)	N30 (68/68)
HOX_CLUSTER:N019	*Drosophila melanogaster*	HOX_CLUSTER (Antp)	NM_001382007.1	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Collinear Hox Central/Posterior Axial Patterning Homeodomain (Antp / Ubx / Lox5 / HoxB6-B7; PDB: 1B8I)	3,978	41.93% / 56.49%	0.1378	0.28289 (1.4447)	N31 (100/100)
HOX_CLUSTER:N020	*Drosophila melanogaster*	HOX_CLUSTER (Ubx)	NM_206497.3	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Collinear Hox Central/Posterior Axial Patterning Homeodomain (Antp / Ubx / Lox5 / HoxB6-B7; PDB: 1B8I)	4,180	42.56% / 55.78%	0.0921	0.62872 (1.5227)	N12 (100/100)
HOX_CLUSTER:N021	*Drosophila melanogaster*	HOX_CLUSTER (abdA)	NM_001260216.2	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Collinear Hox Central/Posterior Axial Patterning Homeodomain (Antp / Ubx / Lox5 / HoxB6-B7; PDB: 1B8I)	5,269	46.10% / 49.15%	0.0573	0.33393 (1.6113)	N19 (84/84)
PAX6_FOXA:N022	*Drosophila melanogaster*	PAX6_FOXA (eyeless)	NM_001014693.2	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Bilaterian Paired-Box Sensory Eye & Forkhead Through-Gut Regulator (Pax6 / eyeless / vab-3 / FoxA)	3,462	49.34% / 47.75%	0.0552	0.64678 (1.4291)	N11 (37/37)
PAX6_FOXA:N023	*Drosophila melanogaster*	PAX6_FOXA (fkh)	NM_001316532.1	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Bilaterian Paired-Box Sensory Eye & Forkhead Through-Gut Regulator (Pax6 / eyeless / vab-3 / FoxA)	4,030	49.38% / 57.56%	0.0954	0.29255 (1.6133)	N18 (97/97)
VISUAL_OPSIN:N024	*Drosophila melanogaster*	VISUAL_OPSIN (ninaE)	NM_079683.3	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Cambrian Predator-Prey Visual Phototransduction GPCR (Rhabdomeric r-Opsin PDB: 2Z73 vs. Ciliary c-Opsin PDB: 1F88)	1,588	50.57% / 55.95%	0.0798	0.36497 (1.7071)	N22 (100/100)
ALPHA_CA:N025	*Homo sapiens*	ALPHA_CA (CA2)	NM_001293675.2	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Parallel Metazoan Biomineralization Alpha-Carbonic Anhydrase Zn2+ Core & Acidic IDR (CA2 / Nacrein; PDB: 1CA2)	1,443	41.72% / 61.12%	0.0971	0.34317 (0.9888)	N44 (91/91)

HOX_CLUSTER:N026	*Homo sapiens*	HOX_CLUSTER (HOXB7)	NM_004502.4	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Collinear Hox Central/Posterior Axial Patterning Homeodomain (Antp / Ubx / Lox5 / HoxB6-B7; PDB: 1B8I)	1,363	50.77% / 42.73%	0.0839	0.48638 (1.6092)	N14 (98/98)
PAX6_FOXA:N027	*Homo sapiens*	PAX6_FOXA (PAX6)	NM_001368920.2	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Bilaterian Paired-Box Sensory Eye & Forkhead Through-Gut Regulator (Pax6 / eyeless / vab-3 / FoxA)	2,674	45.18% / 55.89%	0.0307	0.14129 (1.2424)	N33 (100/100)
VISUAL_OPSIN:N028	*Homo sapiens*	VISUAL_OPSIN (RHO)	NM_000539.3	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Cambrian Predator-Prey Visual Phototransduction GPCR (Rhabdomeric r-Opsin PDB: 2Z73 vs. Ciliary c-Opsin PDB: 1F88)	2,768	53.65% / 49.24%	0.1415	0.14811 (1.7175)	N24 (100/100)
VISUAL_OPSIN:N029	*Limulus polyphemus*	VISUAL_OPSIN (opsin)	NM_001314138.1	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Cambrian Predator-Prey Visual Phototransduction GPCR (Rhabdomeric r-Opsin PDB: 2Z73 vs. Ciliary c-Opsin PDB: 1F88)	1,774	39.35% / 57.36%	0.1446	0.43745 (1.0532)	N47 (85/85)
ALPHA_CA:N030	*Lingula anatina*	ALPHA_CA (CA)	XM_087010391.1	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Parallel Metazoan Biomineralization Alpha-Carbonic Anhydrase Zn2+ Core & Acidic IDR (CA2 / Nacrein; PDB: 1CA2)	2,520	42.58% / 60.71%	0.0883	0.62688 (1.2939)	N37 (67/67)
HOX_CLUSTER:N031	*Lingula anatina*	HOX_CLUSTER (Hox)	XM_024077504.2	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Collinear Hox Central/Posterior Axial Patterning Homeodomain (Antp / Ubx / Lox5 / HoxB6-B7; PDB: 1B8I)	2,265	39.96% / 60.79%	0.1324	0.61768 (1.2064)	N36 (55/55)
PAX6_FOXA:N032	*Lingula anatina*	PAX6_FOXA (Pax6)	XM_013559807.2	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Bilaterian Paired-Box Sensory Eye & Forkhead Through-Gut Regulator (Pax6 / eyeless / vab-3 / FoxA)	2,820	47.23% / 50.53%	0.0517	0.56331 (1.3343)	N32 (98/98)
ALPHA_CA:N033	*Mizuhopecten yessoensis*	ALPHA_CA (CA)	XM_021483204.1	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Parallel Metazoan Biomineralization Alpha-Carbonic Anhydrase Zn2+ Core & Acidic IDR (CA2 / Nacrein; PDB: 1CA2)	1,121	44.96% / 54.69%	0.0571	0.54499 (1.2516)	N34 (51/51)
PAX6_FOXA:N034	*Monosiga brevicollis*	PAX6_FOXA (Fox)	XM_001746964.1	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Bilaterian Paired-Box Sensory Eye & Forkhead Through-Gut Regulator (Pax6 / eyeless / vab-3 / FoxA)	1,842	58.36% / 31.76%	0.2552	0.28139 (1.7144)	N27 (100/100)

HOX_CLUSTER:N035	*Monosiga brevicollis*	HOX_CLUSTER (Homeobox)	XM_001748394.1	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Collinear Hox Central/Posterior Axial Patterning Homeodomain (Antp / Ubx / Lox5 / HoxB6-B7; PDB: 1B8I)	1,581	60.91% / 33.02%	0.2987	0.33945 (1.7725)	N27 (100/100)
HOX_CLUSTER:N036	*Nematostella vectensis*	HOX_CLUSTER (Hox)	XM_001628481.3	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Collinear Hox Central/Posterior Axial Patterning Homeodomain (Antp / Ubx / Lox5 / HoxB6-B7; PDB: 1B8I)	1,520	42.57% / 57.31%	0.0802	0.30510 (1.4669)	N31 (100/100)
VISUAL_OPSIN:N037	*Octopus vulgaris*	VISUAL_OPSIN (rhodopsin)	XM_052969782.2	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Cambrian Predator-Prey Visual Phototransduction GPCR (Rhabdomeric r-Opsin PDB: 2Z73 vs. Ciliary c-Opsin PDB: 1F88)	2,280	35.61% / 63.29%	0.2192	0.65026 (1.1350)	N48 (77/77)
HOX_CLUSTER:N038	*Platynereis dumerilii*	HOX_CLUSTER (Lox5)	DQ366679.1	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Collinear Hox Central/Posterior Axial Patterning Homeodomain (Antp / Ubx / Lox5 / HoxB6-B7; PDB: 1B8I)	690	51.74% / 46.09%	0.1033	0.23276 (0.9774)	N45 (100/100)
VISUAL_OPSIN:N039	*Platynereis dumerilii*	VISUAL_OPSIN (ropsin)	KR869768.1	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Cambrian Predator-Prey Visual Phototransduction GPCR (Rhabdomeric r-Opsin PDB: 2Z73 vs. Ciliary c-Opsin PDB: 1F88)	2,034	44.00% / 56.49%	0.0606	0.32435 (0.9401)	N47 (85/85)
HOX_CLUSTER:N040	*Saccoglossus kowalevskii*	HOX_CLUSTER (Hox)	NM_001290088.1	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Collinear Hox Central/Posterior Axial Patterning Homeodomain (Antp / Ubx / Lox5 / HoxB6-B7; PDB: 1B8I)	1,631	45.00% / 53.04%	0.0523	0.57431 (1.2809)	N34 (51/51)
PAX6_FOXA:N041	*Salpingoeca rosetta*	PAX6_FOXA (FoxJ3)	XM_004996748.1	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Bilaterian Paired-Box Sensory Eye & Forkhead Through-Gut Regulator (Pax6 / eyeless / vab-3 / FoxA)	2,877	63.54% / 25.03%	0.3392	0.24909 (1.7160)	N28 (100/100)
PAX6_FOXA:N042	*Salpingoeca rosetta*	PAX6_FOXA (Fox)	XM_004998352.1	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Bilaterian Paired-Box Sensory Eye & Forkhead Through-Gut Regulator (Pax6 / eyeless / vab-3 / FoxA)	1,664	54.45% / 46.93%	0.1574	0.29105 (1.7579)	N28 (100/100)
ALPHA_CA:N043	*Strongylocentrotus purpuratus*	ALPHA_CA (CA)	XM_777904.5	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Parallel Metazoan Biomineralization Alpha-Carbonic Anhydrase Zn2+ Core & Acidic IDR (CA2 / Nacrein; PDB: 1CA2)	3,330	35.71% / 65.23%	0.2174	0.71542 (1.0405)	N02 (100/100)

HOX_CLUSTER:N044	*Strongylocentrotus purpuratus*	HOX_CLUSTER (Hox7)	NM_214561.2	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Collinear Hox Central/Posterior Axial Patterning Homeodomain (Antp / Ubx / Lox5 / HoxB6-B7; PDB: 1B8I)	1,402	54.42% / 48.61%	0.1569	0.54779 (1.7647)	N25 (97/97)
PAX6_FOXA:N045	*Strongylocentrotus purpuratus*	PAX6_FOXA (Pax6)	XM_795141.5	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Bilaterian Paired-Box Sensory Eye & Forkhead Through-Gut Regulator (Pax6 / eyeless / vab-3 / FoxA)	2,530	46.76% / 49.70%	0.0447	0.68475 (1.9283)	N21 (96/96)
ALPHA_CA:N046	*Stylophora pistillata*	ALPHA_CA (CA)	XM_022948220.2	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Parallel Metazoan Biomineralization Alpha-Carbonic Anhydrase Zn2+ Core & Acidic IDR (CA2 / Nacrein; PDB: 1CA2)	1,637	40.93% / 56.15%	0.1129	0.28990 (0.2899)	N01 (100/100)
ALPHA_CA:N047	*Tribolium castaneum*	ALPHA_CA (CA)	XM_965877.4	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Parallel Metazoan Biomineralization Alpha-Carbonic Anhydrase Zn2+ Core & Acidic IDR (CA2 / Nacrein; PDB: 1CA2)	1,770	34.63% / 64.07%	0.2389	0.56232 (1.1221)	N42 (85/85)
PAX6_FOXA:N048	*Tribolium castaneum*	PAX6_FOXA (Pax6)	NM_001039449.1	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Bilaterian Paired-Box Sensory Eye & Forkhead Through-Gut Regulator (Pax6 / eyeless / vab-3 / FoxA)	1,048	49.81% / 38.97%	0.0649	0.46872 (1.0368)	N38 (20/20)
HOX_CLUSTER:N049	*Tribolium castaneum*	HOX_CLUSTER (Ubx)	NM_001039408.1	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Collinear Hox Central/Posterior Axial Patterning Homeodomain (Antp / Ubx / Lox5 / HoxB6-B7; PDB: 1B8I)	945	62.22% / 23.17%	0.3129	0.17049 (1.4990)	N16 (100/100)
VISUAL_OPSIN:N050	*Tribolium castaneum*	VISUAL_OPSIN (opsin)	XM_015978005.2	Nuclear Toolkit mRNA: Cambrian Predator-Prey Visual Phototransduction GPCR (Rhabdomeric r-Opsin PDB: 2Z73 vs. Ciliary c-Opsin PDB: 1F88)	1,395	41.94% / 56.13%	0.0928	0.59024 (1.1463)	N46 (43/43)

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Supplemental Table S2 (Table 3C). Complete 32-Chain Multi-Model Combinatorial Optimization Sweep Across the Substitution Hierarchy (L = 232,597 / 114,807 Aligned Columns)

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Candidate Substitution Model (*IQ-TREE / Native Rust)	Regime 3 Hybrid RY3 ln L	Regime 3 Hybrid BIC	Hybrid CPU	Regime 1 Native RY3 ln L	Regime 1 Native BIC	Native CPU	Regime 2 External Raw ln L	Regime 2 External BIC	External CPU	Regime 4 0/5 Control ln L	Regime 4 0/5 Control BIC	0/5 CPU
Chain C1: JC / GTR+F+R2	-916233.25	1833813.42	0.58 s	-896877.39	1795117.94	30.27 s	-973105.57	1947558.05	0.78 s	-998336.53	1997919.73	27.26 s
Chain C2: K2P+G4 / K80+G4	-886710.49	1774792.62	6.58 s	-907529.88	1816329.71	29.21 s	-943413.77	1888199.18	7.94 s	-1010573.80	2022510.77	31.79 s
Chain C3: HKY+F+I+G4 / JC	-844077.20	1689575.46	988.11 s	-909760.77	1820768.20	25.93 s	-924314.74	1850050.55	1060.91 s	-1024175.77	2049621.50	34.33 s
Chain C4: TN+F+I+G4 / TN+F+I+G4	-844069.46	1689572.33	1008.47 s	-916543.01	1834414.24	29.65 s	-924314.56	1850062.53	1150.06 s	-1064077.61	2129483.43	34.08 s
Chain C5: TIM2+F+I+G4 / HKY+F+I+G4	-838685.88	1678817.53	1059.77 s	-916691.53	1834699.61	31.70 s	-923144.18	1847734.14	1248.56 s	-1064116.08	2129548.72	33.94 s
Chain C6: GTR+F+G4 / GTR+F+I+G4	-831125.69	1663709.52	89.75 s	-927236.97	1855837.11	31.34 s	-921644.03	1844746.19	22.63 s	-1072018.29	2145399.75	34.24 s
Chain C7: GTR+F+I+G4 / GTR+F+I+G4 (Fast)	-831007.21	1663484.91	1137.39 s	-927464.74	1856292.64	18.52 s	-921463.32	1844397.12	1407.64 s	-1073143.50	2147650.16	19.88 s
Chain C8: GTR+F+R4 / TIM2+F+I+G4	-830988.33	1663496.58	137.86 s	-929123.66	1859587.19	31.69 s	-920779.36	1843078.63	225.52 s	-1075923.94	2153187.75	33.76 s

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