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**Create one new genus (*Grusopivirus*) with 3 species (*Grusopivirus A*, *Grusopivirus B* and *Grusopivirus C*)**

Six novel picornaviruses have been detected in faecal samples of red-crowned cranes (*Grus japonensis*) collected in China, 2014, four of which--grusopivirus A1, A2, B1 and C1--show similarity to members of picornavirus supergroup 4 (Yang S, Wang Y, Zhang W, unpublished).

**Relation of grusopiviruses to other picornaviruses:**

- Genome layout of grusopiviruses A1 and A2:

5'-UTR[1AB-1C-1D-2A1npgp/2A2npgp/2A3npgp/2A4H-box/NC-2B-2Chel/3A-3BVPg-3Cpro-3Dpol]3'-UTR

Genome layout of grusopiviruses B1 and C1:

5'-UTR[1AB-1C-1D/2A-2B-2Chel/3A-3BVPg-3Cpro-3Dpol]3'-UTR

(compare Fig. 1 of supporting material)

- Grusopiviruses have typical hallmarks of picornaviruses:

- **capsid proteins** 1AB, 1C, 1D have **rhv** domains with drug-binding site,

- grusopivirus A1 and A2: **2A1, 2A2 and 2A3** have a **NPGP**-motif, **2A4** has a **H-box/NC**

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grusopivirus B1 and C1: **2A** with unknown function

- **2Chel** with **GxxGxGKS** motif of helicases,

- **3BVPg** peptide with **Y-3** residue,

- **3Cpro** with **GxCGx14GxH** motif,

- **3Dpol** with **KDE**, **PSG**, **YGDD** and **FLKR** motifs,

- ***Grusopivirus*** comprises a distinct clade in P1 and 3CD trees of picornavirus supergroup 4 (compare Figs. 2, 3 of supporting material).

**Distinguishing features of grusopiviruses compared to picornavirus supergroup 4:**

- Grusopiviruses A1 and A2 have three **2Anpgp** proteins plus **2A4H-box/NC**, whereas grusopiviruses B1 and C1 have a 2A protein with unknown function.

- **Sequence divergence** (uncorrected p-distance) of complete genomes suggests three grusopivirus species, ***Grusopivirus A***, ***B*** and ***C***: genetic distances of *between-species* comparisons range from 44.1 to 48.0% (compare Table 1):

**Table 1. Estimates of evolutionary divergence between grusopivirus sequences**

[1] KY312544, grusopivirus A1 (crane picornavirus 5) isolate yc-5

[2] KY312542, grusopivirus A2 (crane picornavirus 3) isolate yc-3

[3] KY312545, grusopivirus B1 (crane picornavirus 6) isolate yc-6

[4] KY312543, grusopivirus C1 (crane picornavirus 4) isolate yc-4

[ 1 2 3 4 ]

[1]

[2] 28.5%

[3] 48.0% 45.2%

[4] 47.7% 45.1% 44.1%

- **Sequence divergence** (uncorrected p-distances) of orthologous proteins in pairwise comparisons of grusopiviruses with representatives of all acknowledged and proposed species of picornavirus supergroup 4 viruses (*Aalivirus/Aquamavirus/Avihepatovirus/ Avisivirus/Crohivirus/Kunsagivirus/Limnipivirus/Orivirus/Parechovirus/Pasivirus/ Potamipivirus/Shanbavirus*) justifies creation of a **new genus with 3 species** (compare Table 2).

**Table 2: Amino acid divergence\***

grusopivirus A1 vs. member of ... P1 2Chel 3Cpro 3Dpol

*Within-genus* comparisons:

*Grusopivirus*† *Grusopivirus A*† *(grusopivirus A2)* 64.7% 2.1% 2.2% 5.1%

*Grusopivirus B*† 66.1% 43.5% 43.6% 47.5%

*Grusopivirus C*† 67.6% 41.0% 42.0% 41.4%

*Between-genus* comparisons:

*Aalivirus Aalivirus* A 67.0% 48.2% 50.8% 49.6%

*Aquamavirus Aquamavirus A* 76.3% 73.3% 80.3% 71.6%

*Avihepatovirus Avihepatovirus A*  67.8% 45.6% 48.9% 50.6%

*Avisivirus Avisivirus A*  69.2% 56.1% 64.4% 59.7%

*Avisivirus B* 68.3% 60.4% 61.4% 56.0%

*Avisivirus C* 67.3% 58.3% 61.4% 59.1%

*Crohivirus Crohivirus A*  78.6% 66.0% 76.2% 64.5%

*Crohivirus B*  75.3% 67.9% 77.8% 63.9%

*Kunsagivirus Kunsagivirus A*  81.5% 73.2% 84.1% 69.3%

*Kunsagivirus B*  82.6% 70.1% 81.3% 69.1%

*Kunsagivirus C*  80.9% 68.2% 81.2% 69.3%

*Limnipivirus Limnipivirus A*  81.0% 76.9% 81.8% 66.1%

*Limnipivirus B*  79.9% 75.7% 82.1% 66.9%

*Limnipivirus C*  80.2% 76.2% 81.4% 66.5%

*Orivirus Orivirus A*  73.4% 59.4% 72.6% 55.6%

*Parechovirus Parechovirus A*  74.6% 67.3% 76.0% 67.9%

*Parechovirus B*  76.9% 67.0% 73.5% 62.2%

*Parechovirus C*  76.3% 63.2% 75.0% 61.9%

*Parechovirus D*  75.6% 67.6% 76.1% 62.4%

*Parechovirus E*† 75.8% 67.7% 77.2% 65.2%

*Parechovirus F*† 76.2% 69.6% 79.4% 63.6%

*Pasivirus Pasivirus A*  77.7% 69.2% 77.0% 68.7%

*Potamipivirus Potamipivirus A* 78.0% 68.0% 81.4% 63.1%

*Potamipivirus B*† 75.4% 67.1% 82.0% 65.4%

*Shanbavirus Shanbavirus A*  80.4% 57.6% 70.5% 65.1%

\* number of amino acid differences per site

† proposed taxa

- There is evidence of **interspecies recombination**. The presumed recombinant, **crane picornavirus 3**, exhibits an overall polyprotein divergence of 28.5% to its closest relative, grusopivirus A1 (Table 1). The P1 polyprotein, however, shows divergences >54% with all known grusopiviruses, whereas 2Chel, 3Cpro and 3Dpol display great similarity to grusopivirus A1 (diversity only 2-5%) but great divergence to grusopivirus B1 and C1 (>40%) (compare Table 3). Thus, crane picornavirus 3 could be a recombinant of a member of *Grusopivirus A* with a member of a yet unrecognized grusopivirus species; it is tentatively named **grusopivirus A2**.

Table 3. Estimates of Evolutionary Divergence between Sequences

[1] KY312542, grusopivirus A2 (crane picornavirus 3) isolate yc-3

[2] KY312544, grusopivirus A1 (crane picornavirus 5) isolate yc-5

[3] KY312545, grusopivirus B1 (crane picornavirus 6) isolate yc-6

[4] KY312543, grusopivirus C1 (crane picornavirus 4) isolate yc-4

**A. P1**

[ 1 2 3 4 ]

[ 1]

[ 2] 0.647

[ 3] 0.566 0.661

[ 4] 0.544 0.676 0.493

**B. 2Chel**

[ 1]

[ 2] 0.021

[ 3] 0.435 0.435

[ 4] 0.407 0.410 0.460

**C. 3Cpro**

[ 1]

[ 2] 0.022

[ 3] 0.436 0.436

[ 4] 0.420 0.420 0.387

**D. 3Dpol**

[ 1]

[ 2] 0.051

[ 3] 0.462 0.475

[ 4] 0.416 0.414 0.392

**Type species of genus:**

*Grusopivirus A*, grusopivirus A1 (crane picornavirus 5) strain yc-5, KY312544

**Exemplar:**

*Grusopivirus A*, grusopivirus A1 (crane picornavirus 5) strain yc-5, KY312544

*Grusopivirus B*, grusopivirus B1 (crane picornavirus 6) strain yc-6, KY312545

*Grusopivirus C*, grusopivirus C1 (crane picornavirus 4) strain yc-4, KY312543

**Species demarcation criteria:**

Members of a species of the genus *Grusopivirus*:

- are less than 30% divergent in polyprotein aa sequence,

-are less than 30% divergent in P1 aa sequence,

-are less than 20% divergent in 2C+3CD aa sequence,

- share a common genome organization,

| **References:** |
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| Wang Y, Yang S, Liu D, Zhou C, Li W, Lin Y, Wang X, Shen Q, Wang H, Li C, Zong M, Ding Y, Song Q, Deng X, Qi D, Zhang W, Delwart E. The fecal virome of red-crowned cranes. Arch Virol. 2018 Sep 17. doi: 10.1007/s00705-018-4037-x. |

**Supporting Material**



**Figure 1:** Genome organization of grusopiviruses A1, B1 and C1 (schematic depiction). The open reading frame is indicated by a box. Positions of putative 3Cpro cleavage sites are indicated by a ▼ and the site of termination/reinitiation of RNA translation at the NPGP sequence motif is indicated by a hash (#). The names and lengths of the deduced proteins are presented. The UTRs may be incomplete. The 3'-end of grusopivirus C1 is missing (c. 170 nt of 3D gene region plus 3'-UTR).



**Legend to Figure 2:**  Phylogenetic analysis of picornavirus **P1** using Bayesian tree inference (MrBayes 3.2). Forty-five picornavirus sequences of the *Aalivirus/Aquamavirus/Avihepatovirus/Avisivirus/Crohivirus/ Kunsagivirus/Limnipivirus/Orivirus/Parechovirus/Pasivirus/Potamipivirus/Shanbavirus* supergroup were retrieved from GenBank; the cardiovirus sequence served as outgroup. [Note: the supergroup does not imply a taxonomic entity but reflects phylogenetic clustering of the respective genera observed in different tree inference methods (NJ, ML, Bayesian MCMC).] Presented are GenBank accession numbers, ***genus*** ***names***, *species names*, type and—if available—common names in round brackets. Designations of isolates are given in square brackets. Yet unassigned viruses are printed in blue. The proposed name is printed in red and indicated by a dot (●). Numbers at nodes indicate posterior probabilities obtained after 2,000,000 generations. The optimal substitution model (GTR+G+I) was determined with MEGA 5. The scale indicates substitutions/site.



**Legend to Figure 3:**  Phylogenetic analysis of picornavirus **3CD** using Bayesian tree inference (MrBayes 3.2). Forty-six picornavirus sequences of the *Aalivirus/Aquamavirus/Avihepatovirus/Avisivirus/ Crohivirus/Kunsagivirus/Limnipivirus/Orivirus/Parechovirus/Pasivirus/Potamipivirus/Shanbavirus* supergroup were retrieved from GenBank; the cardiovirus sequence served as outgroup. [Note: the supergroup does not imply a taxonomic entity but reflects phylogenetic clustering of the respective genera observed in different tree inference methods (NJ, ML, Bayesian MCMC).] Presented are GenBank accession numbers, ***genus*** ***names***, *species names*, type and—if available—common names in round brackets. Designations of isolates are given in square brackets. Yet unassigned viruses are printed in blue. The proposed name is printed in red and indicated by a dot (●). Numbers at nodes indicate posterior probabilities obtained after 2,000,000 generations. The optimal substitution model (GTR+G+I) was determined with MEGA 5. The scale indicates substitutions/site.