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**Create five new genera (*Hemipivirus***, ***Myrropivirus***, ***Pemapivirus***, ***Symapivirus***, ***Tropivirus*), each with one species (*Hemipivirus A***, ***Myrropivirus A***, ***Pemapivirus A***, ***Symapivirus A***, ***Tropivirus A*)**

Novel picornaviruses of reptiles and fish have been described by Shi et al. (2018).

These viruses with similarity to picornaviruses of supergroup 2 were detected in pooled tissue samples of the following hosts:

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| **Virus name** | **Host species** | **Specimens** | **Proposed genus/species** |
| Hǎinán oriental leaf-toed gekko picornavirus | *Hemidactylus bowringii* | gut, liver, lungs | ***Hemipivirus****/Hemipivirus A* |
| Chinese water snake picornavirus | *Myrrophis chinensis* | gut, liver, lungs | ***Myrropivirus****/Myrropivirus A* |
| Chinese softshell turtle picornavirusChinese broad-headed pond turtle picornavirus | *Pelodiscus sinensis**Mauremys (Chinemys) megalocephala* | gut, liver, lungs | ***Pemapivirus****/Pemapivirus A* |
| Wēnlǐng triplecross lizardfish picornavirus | *Synodus macrops* | gut, liver, gill | ***Symapivirus****/Symapivirus A* |
| Guǎngdōng Chinese water skink picornavirus | *Tropidophorus sinicus* | gut, liver, lungs | ***Tropivirus****/Tropivirus A* |

However, the new viruses differ significantly from the known picornaviruses of supergroup 2. No virus was isolated yet.

**A. Genus *Hemipivirus***

**Relation to other picornaviruses:**

- Hemipiviruses have a typical picornavirus genome layout:

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

- Hemipiviruses possess typical hallmarks of picornaviruses:

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

 2A: H-box/NC sequence motif,

 2Chel: **G**xx**G**x**GKS** motif of helicases,

 3BVPg: **Y-3** residue,

 3Cpro: **C**x**CG**x14**G**x**H** motif,

 3Dpol: **KDE**, **PSG**, **YGDD**, **FLKR** motifs.

- Phylogenetic analyses indicate distinct branches that cluster with sequences of picornavirus supergroup 2 (*Dicipivirus/Gallivirus/Kobuvirus/Livupivirus/Megrivirus/Oscivirus/Passerivirus/ Poecivirus/Sakobuvirus/Salivirus/Sicinivirus/Rafivirus/Rosavirus*) in the P1 and 3CD trees (compare Figs. 1 & 2 of supporting material).

**Distinguishing features of hemipiviruses compared to other viruses of picornavirus**

**supergroup 2:**

- **Sequence divergence** (uncorrected p-distances) of orthologous proteins is high in pairwise comparisons with 33 acknowledged and proposed species of picornavirus supergroup 2. The amino acid divergences range from 77.9 to 85.7% for P1, 63.7-71.9% for 2Chel, 66.7-85.1% for 3Cpro and 52.8-65.5% for 3Dpol (compare Table 1). Divergence to sequences of other picornavirus supergroups is even greater.

**Table 1: Amino acid divergence\***

**hemipivirus A1 vs. member of ... P1 2Chel 3Cpro 3Dpol**

*Dicipivirus Cadicivirus A* 0.828 0.708 0.743 0.655

 *Cadicivirus B* 0.844 0.676 0.738 0.652

*Gallivirus Gallivirus A* 0.853 0.680 0.806 0.627

*Kobuvirus Aichivirus A* 0.803 0.706 0.810 0.615

 *Aichivirus B* 0.790 0.706 0.828 0.597

 *Aichivirus C* 0.789 0.699 0.790 0.607

 *Aichivirus D* 0.818 0.719 0.794 0.613

 *Aichivirus E* 0.792 0.645 0.851 0.600

 *Aichivirus F* 0.779 0.664 0.800 0.578

*Livupivirus Livupivirus A* 0.805 0.678 0.828 0.620

*Ludopivirus*† *Ludopivirus A*† 0.804 0.707 0.818 0.615

*Megrivirus Megrivirus A* 0.855 0.678 0.672 0.615

 *Megrivirus B* 0.853 0.688 0.667 0.585

 *Megrivirus C* 0.845 0.696 0.718 0.598

 *Megrivirus D* 0.843 0.701 0.709 0.587

 *Megrivirus E* 0.843 0.684 0.665 0.608

*Myrropivirus*† *Myrropivirus A*† 0.841 0.655 0.723 0.528

*Oscivirus Oscivirus A* 0.830 0.662 0.833 0.557

*Passerivirus Passerivirus A* 0.796 0.685 0.799 0.608

 *Passerivirus B* 0.817 0.680 0.777 0.592

*Poecivirus Poecivirus A* 0.852 0.712 0.734 0.604

*Rafivirus Rafivirus A* 0.808 0.681 0.844 0.619

 *Rafivirus B* 0.803 0.652 0.790 0.626

 *Rafivirus C*† 0.799 0.710 0.780 0.631

*Rosavirus Rosavirus A* 0.841 0.670 0.712 0.597

 *Rosavirus B* 0.846 0.666 0.743 0.607

 *Rosavirus C* 0.830 0.670 0.738 0.593

*Sakobuvirus Sakobuvirus A* 0.799 0.694 0.801 0.586

*Salivirus Salivirus A* 0.789 0.690 0.840 0.648

*Sicinivirus Sicinivirus A* 0.812 0.693 0.816 0.583

*Pemapivirus*† *Pemapivirus A*† 0.864 0.708 0.768 0.572

*Tropivirus*† *Tropivirus A*† 0.825 0.637 0.745 0.595

*Symapivirus*† *Symapivirus A*† 0.857 0.711 0.827 0.641

\* number of amino acid differences per site

† proposed taxa

**Type species of genus:**

**Hemipivirus A**, hemipivirus A1 (Hǎinán oriental leaf-toed gecko picornavirus) strain LPXYC213122, GenBank acc. no. MG600089

**Species demarcation criteria:**

not applicable

**Origin of name:**

**hemipivirus:** derived from ***Hemi****dactylus bowringii* (host) and **pi**corna**virus**

**A. Genus *Myrropivirus***

**Relation to other picornaviruses:**

- Myrropiviruses have a typical picornavirus genome layout:

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

 (compare Figure 1 in Supporting Material)

- Myrropiviruses possess typical hallmarks of picornaviruses:

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

 2A2: H-box/NC sequence motif,

 2Chel: **G**xx**G**x**GKT** motif of helicases,

 3BVPg: **Y-3** residue,

 3Cpro: **C**x**CG**x11**G**x**H** motif,

 3Dpol: **KDE**, **PSG**, **YGDD**, **FLKR** motifs.

- Phylogenetic analyses indicate a distinct branch that clusters with sequences of picornavirus supergroup 2 (*Dicipivirus/Gallivirus/Kobuvirus/Livupivirus/Megrivirus/Oscivirus/Passerivirus/ Poecivirus/Sakobuvirus/Salivirus/Sicinivirus/Rafivirus/Rosavirus*) in the P1 and 3CD trees (compare Figs. 1 & 2 of supporting material).

**Distinguishing features of myrropivirus A1 compared to other viruses of picornavirus**

**supergroup 2:**

- **Sequence divergence** (uncorrected p-distances) of orthologous proteins is high in pairwise comparisons with 33 acknowledged and proposed species of picornavirus supergroup 2. The amino acid divergences range from 71.1 to 82.4% for P1, 60.0-73.5% for 2Chel, 68.9-82.4% for 3Cpro and 52.8-63.1% for 3Dpol (compare Table 4). Divergence to sequences of other picornavirus supergroups is even greater.

**Table 4: Amino acid divergence\***

**myrropivirus A1 vs. member of ... P1 2Chel 3Cpro 3Dpol**

*Dicipivirus Cadicivirus A* 0.711 0.704 0.741 0.576

 *Cadicivirus B* 0.725 0.702 0.725 0.595

*Gallivirus Gallivirus A* 0.786 0.674 0.813 0.575

*Kobuvirus Aichivirus A* 0.792 0.709 0.801 0.580

 *Aichivirus B* 0.794 0.679 0.791 0.588

 *Aichivirus C* 0.788 0.700 0.814 0.579

 *Aichivirus D* 0.796 0.717 0.797 0.610

 *Aichivirus E* 0.792 0.681 0.824 0.574

 *Aichivirus F* 0.788 0.678 0.801 0.590

*Livupivirus Livupivirus A* 0.753 0.639 0.824 0.546

*Ludopivirus*† *Ludopivirus A*† 0.796 0.673 0.809 0.588

*Megrivirus Megrivirus A* 0.823 0.638 0.717 0.619

 *Megrivirus B* 0.775 0.633 0.670 0.576

 *Megrivirus C* 0.824 0.643 0.712 0.609

 *Megrivirus D* 0.805 0.667 0.714 0.578

 *Megrivirus E* 0.802 0.673 0.728 0.580

*Oscivirus Oscivirus A* 0.778 0.647 0.813 0.532

*Passerivirus Passerivirus A* 0.809 0.685 0.790 0.571

 *Passerivirus B* 0.803 0.705 0.757 0.570

*Poecivirus Poecivirus A* 0.810 0.726 0.690 0.601

*Rafivirus Rafivirus A* 0.771 0.665 0.809 0.581

 *Rafivirus B* 0.793 0.660 0.789 0.572

 *Rafivirus C*† 0.786 0.681 0.759 0.583

*Rosavirus Rosavirus A* 0.728 0.626 0.705 0.557

 *Rosavirus B* 0.720 0.600 0.689 0.544

 *Rosavirus C* 0.733 0.622 0.710 0.562

*Sakobuvirus Sakobuvirus A* 0.790 0.717 0.807 0.560

*Salivirus Salivirus A* 0.779 0.688 0.814 0.631

*Sicinivirus Sicinivirus A* 0.814 0.696 0.821 0.560

*Hemipivirus*†  *Hemipivirus A*† 0.738 0.655 0.723 0.529

*Pemapivirus*† *Pemapivirus A*† 0.759 0.655 0.726 0.528

*Tropivirus*† *Tropivirus A*† 0.781 0.622 0.732 0.565

*Symapivirus*† *Symapivirus A*† 0.807 0.735 0.773 0.603

\* number of amino acid differences per site

† proposed taxa

**Type species of genus:**

***Myrropivirus A***, myrropivirus A1 (Guǎngdōng Chinese water snake picornavirus) strain LPSF20501, GenBank acc. no. MG600081

**Species demarcation criteria:**

not applicable

**Origin of name:**

**myrropivirus**: derived from ***Myrro****phis chinensis* (host) and **pi**corna**virus**

**C. Genus *Pemapivirus***

**Relation to other picornaviruses:**

- Pemapiviruses have a typical picornavirus genome layout:

 5'-UTR[L-1AB-1C-1D/2A1-2A2H-box/NC-2B-2Chel/3A-3BVPg-3Cpro-3Dpol]3'UTR

 (compare Figure 1 in Supporting Material)

- Pemapiviruses possess typical hallmarks of picornaviruses:

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

 2A2: H-box/NC sequence motif,

 2Chel: **G**xx**G**x**GKS** motif of helicases,

 3BVPg: **Y-3** residue,

 3Cpro: pemapivirus A1 with **C**x**CG**x14**G**x**H** motif,

 pemapivirus A2 with **C**x**CG**x15**G**x**H** motif,

 3Dpol: **KDE**, **PSG**, **YGDD**, **FLKR** motifs.

- Phylogenetic analyses indicate distinct branches that cluster with sequences of picornavirus supergroup 2 (*Dicipivirus/Gallivirus/Kobuvirus/Livupivirus/Megrivirus/Oscivirus/Passerivirus/ Poecivirus/Sakobuvirus/Salivirus/Sicinivirus/Rafivirus/Rosavirus*) in the P1 and 3CD trees (compare Figs. 1 & 2 of supporting material).

- By convention, picornavirus types and species are distinguished on the basis of genus-specific amino acid divergences. p-Distances greater 30% indicate different species. Chinese softshell turtle picornavirus and Chinese broad-headed pond turtle picornavirus exhibit divergences of 30.4% for the polyprotein, 31.3% for P1 and 39.8% for VP1 sequences which may be borderline. Thus, the study group decided to await additional sequences before proposing a second pemapivirus species.

**Distinguishing features of pemapiviruses compared to other viruses of picornavirus**

**supergroup 2:**

- Pemapiviruses have two 2A proteins, the 2A1 protein is unique and has unknown function;

 2A2 has a H-box/NC sequence motif.

- **Sequence divergence** (uncorrected p-distances) of orthologous proteins is high in pairwise comparisons with 33 acknowledged and proposed species of picornavirus supergroup 2. The amino acid divergences range from 72.8 to 86.0% for P1, 64.0-76.1% for 2Chel, 72.4-87.3% for 3Cpro and 49.4-60.5% for 3Dpol (compare Table 2). Divergence to sequences of other picornavirus supergroups is even greater.

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

**pemapivirus A1 vs. member of ... P1 2Chel 3Cpro 3Dpol**

*Dicipivirus Cadicivirus A* 0.763 0.751 0.750 0.600

 *Cadicivirus B* 0.768 0.725 0.740 0.575

*Gallivirus Gallivirus A* 0.860 0.725 0.836 0.527

*Kobuvirus Aichivirus A* 0.776 0.728 0.868 0.543

 *Aichivirus B* 0.796 0.746 0.842 0.521

 *Aichivirus C* 0.784 0.752 0.853 0.529

 *Aichivirus D* 0.783 0.761 0.842 0.554

 *Aichivirus E* 0.799 0.713 0.820 0.546

 *Aichivirus F* 0.795 0.733 0.813 0.530

*Livupivirus Livupivirus A* 0.762 0.726 0.803 0.516

*Ludopivirus*† *Ludopivirus A*† 0.797 0.710 0.840 0.576

*Megrivirus Megrivirus A* 0.818 0.677 0.721 0.605

 *Megrivirus B* 0.804 0.640 0.701 0.565

 *Megrivirus C* 0.831 0.683 0.767 0.603

 *Megrivirus D* 0.830 0.674 0.755 0.563

 *Megrivirus E* 0.821 0.674 0.725 0.582

*Myrropivirus*† *Myrropivirus A*† 0.752 0.655 0.739 0.530

*Oscivirus Oscivirus A* 0.821 0.720 0.829 0.494

*Passerivirus Passerivirus A* 0.803 0.738 0.818 0.546

 *Passerivirus B* 0.827 0.733 0.840 0.560

*Poecivirus Poecivirus A* 0.807 0.729 0.763 0.597

*Rafivirus Rafivirus A* 0.771 0.699 0.801 0.533

 *Rafivirus B* 0.771 0.692 0.827 0.524

 *Rafivirus C*† 0.779 0.696 0.814 0.535

*Rosavirus Rosavirus A* 0.754 0.661 0.724 0.525

 *Rosavirus B* 0.772 0.666 0.729 0.525

 *Rosavirus C* 0.761 0.658 0.734 0.538

*Sakobuvirus Sakobuvirus A* 0.792 0.728 0.852 0.537

*Salivirus Salivirus A* 0.786 0.749 0.810 0.584

*Sicinivirus Sicinivirus A* 0.831 0.736 0.873 0.549

*Hemipivirus*† *Hemipivirus A*† 0.728 0.708 0.768 0.573

*Tropivirus*† *Tropivirus A*† 0.785 0.699 0.724 0.530

*Symapivirus*† *Symapivirus A*† 0.812 0.744 0.785 0.587

\* number of amino acid differences per site

† proposed taxa

**Type species of genus:**

***Pemapivirus A***, pemapivirus A1 (Chinese softshell turtle picornavirus) strain WHJYGF74978, GenBank acc. no. MG600106

A second genome sequence, representing another type is available: pemapivirus A2 (Chinese broad-headed pond turtle picornavirus) strain WHWGC151314, GenBank acc. no. MG600108

**Species demarcation criteria:**

not applicable

**Origin of name:**

**pemapivirus**: derived from ***Pe****lodiscus sinensis* and ***Ma****uremys megalocephaas* (known hosts)

 and **pi**corna**virus**

**D. Genus *Symapivirus***

**Relation to other picornaviruses:**

- Symapiviruses have a typical picornavirus genome layout:

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

 (compare Figure 1 in Supporting Material)

- Symapiviruses possess typical hallmarks of picornaviruses:

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

 2A2: H-box/NC sequence motif,

 2Chel: **G**xx**G**x**GKS** motif of helicases,

 3BVPg: **Y-3** residue,

 3Cpro: **C**x**CG**x14**G**x**H** motif,

 3Dpol: **KDE**, **ASG**, **YGDD**, **FLKR** motifs.

- Phylogenetic analyses indicate a distinct branch that clusters with sequences of picornavirus supergroup 2 (*Dicipivirus/Gallivirus/Kobuvirus/Livupivirus/Megrivirus/Oscivirus/Passerivirus/ Poecivirus/Sakobuvirus/Salivirus/Sicinivirus/Rafivirus/Rosavirus*) in the P1 and 3CD trees (compare Figs. 1 & 2 of supporting material).

**Distinguishing features of symapivirus A1 compared to other viruses of picornavirus**

**supergroup 2:**

- **Sequence divergence** (uncorrected p-distances) of orthologous proteins is high in pairwise comparisons with 33 acknowledged and proposed species of picornavirus supergroup 2. The amino acid divergences range from 76.7 to 85.7% for P1, 67.9-76.0% for 2Chel, 72.9-84.0% for 3Cpro and 52.1-65.2% for 3Dpol (compare Table 5). Divergence to sequences of other picornavirus supergroups is even greater.

**Table 5: Amino acid divergence\***

**symapivirus A1 vs. member of ... P1 2Chel 3Cpro 3Dpol**

*Dicipivirus Cadicivirus A* 0.801 0.722 0.807 0.652

 *Cadicivirus B* 0.798 0.723 0.768 0.614

*Gallivirus Gallivirus A* 0.851 0.713 0.790 0.569

*Kobuvirus Aichivirus A* 0.767 0.685 0.845 0.528

 *Aichivirus B* 0.788 0.682 0.823 0.521

 *Aichivirus C* 0.779 0.703 0.801 0.523

 *Aichivirus D* 0.812 0.718 0.796 0.539

 *Aichivirus E* 0.800 0.687 0.812 0.546

 *Aichivirus F* 0.802 0.691 0.800 0.538

*Livupivirus Livupivirus A* 0.821 0.708 0.762 0.555

*Ludopivirus*† *Ludopivirus A*† 0.801 0.717 0.820 0.549

*Megrivirus Megrivirus A* 0.830 0.739 0.800 0.621

 *Megrivirus B* 0.826 0.736 0.775 0.613

 *Megrivirus C* 0.841 0.748 0.778 0.593

 *Megrivirus D* 0.857 0.748 0.771 0.597

 *Megrivirus E* 0.840 0.736 0.800 0.596

*Myrropivirus*† *Myrropivirus A*† 0.807 0.735 0.758 0.608

*Oscivirus Oscivirus A* 0.821 0.725 0.751 0.554

*Passerivirus Passerivirus A* 0.813 0.679 0.794 0.531

 *Passerivirus B* 0.839 0.693 0.811 0.541

*Poecivirus Poecivirus A* 0.857 0.760 0.756 0.623

*Rafivirus Rafivirus A* 0.793 0.702 0.840 0.561

 *Rafivirus B* 0.793 0.701 0.802 0.559

 *Rafivirus C*† 0.805 0.729 0.801 0.592

*Rosavirus Rosavirus A* 0.789 0.711 0.762 0.580

 *Rosavirus B* 0.799 0.714 0.729 0.621

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*Sakobuvirus Sakobuvirus A* 0.784 0.691 0.839 0.541

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*Hemipivirus*† *Hemipivirus A*† 0.815 0.712 0.804 0.640

*Pemapivirus*† *Pemapivirus A*† 0.810 0.744 0.765 0.586

*Tropivirus*† *Tropivirus A*† 0.829 0.733 0.772 0.608

\* number of amino acid differences per site

† proposed taxa

**Type species of genus:**

***Symapivirus A***, symapivirus A1 (Wēnlǐng triplecross lizardfish picornavirus) strain XYHYC185246, GenBank acc. no. MG600076

**Species demarcation criteria:**

not applicable

**Origin of name:**

**symapivirus**: derived from ***Sy****nodus* ***ma****crops* (host) and **pi**corna**virus**

**E. Genus *Tropivirus***

**Relation to other picornaviruses:**

- Tropiviruses have a typical picornavirus genome layout:

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

 (compare Figure 1 in Supporting Material)

- Tropiviruses possess typical hallmarks of picornaviruses:

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

 2A2: H-box/NC sequence motif,

 2Chel: **G**xx**G**x**GKS** motif of helicases,

 3BVPg: **Y-3** residue,

 3Cpro: **C**x**CG**x13**G**x**H** motif,

 3Dpol: **KDE**, **PSG**, **YGDD**, **FLKR** motifs.

- Phylogenetic analyses indicate a distinct branch that clusters with sequences of picornavirus supergroup 2 (*Dicipivirus/Gallivirus/Kobuvirus/Livupivirus/Megrivirus/Oscivirus/Passerivirus/ Poecivirus/Sakobuvirus/Salivirus/Sicinivirus/Rafivirus/Rosavirus*) in the P1 and 3CD trees (compare Figs. 1 & 2 of supporting material).

**Distinguishing features of tropivirus A1 compared to other viruses of picornavirus**

**supergroup 2:**

- **Sequence divergence** (uncorrected p-distances) of orthologous proteins is high in pairwise comparisons with 33 acknowledged and proposed species of picornavirus supergroup 2. The amino acid divergences range from 75.3 to 84.6% for P1, 60.9-73.0% for 2Chel, 64.9-86.2% for 3Cpro and 49.8-64.7% for 3Dpol (compare Table 3). Divergence to sequences of other picornavirus supergroups is even greater.

**Table 3: Amino acid divergence\***

**tropivirus A1 vs. member of ... P1 2Chel 3Cpro 3Dpol**

*Dicipivirus Cadicivirus A* 0.763 0.657 0.730 0.571

 *Cadicivirus B* 0.785 0.660 0.692 0.581

*Gallivirus Gallivirus A* 0.846 0.693 0.862 0.585

*Kobuvirus Aichivirus A* 0.758 0.701 0.837 0.611

 *Aichivirus B* 0.779 0.705 0.809 0.617

 *Aichivirus C* 0.786 0.686 0.810 0.610

 *Aichivirus D* 0.787 0.710 0.844 0.645

 *Aichivirus E* 0.770 0.660 0.850 0.575

 *Aichivirus F* 0.769 0.681 0.849 0.590

*Livupivirus Livupivirus A* 0.792 0.642 0.775 0.571

*Ludopivirus*† *Ludopivirus A*† 0.775 0.685 0.843 0.596

*Megrivirus Megrivirus A* 0.794 0.639 0.770 0.647

 *Megrivirus B* 0.788 0.640 0.744 0.628

 *Megrivirus C* 0.805 0.637 0.769 0.646

 *Megrivirus D* 0.764 0.648 0.773 0.637

 *Megrivirus E* 0.797 0.650 0.754 0.634

*Myrropivirus*† *Myrropivirus A*† 0.782 0.622 0.743 0.566

*Oscivirus Oscivirus A* 0.820 0.667 0.842 0.586

*Passerivirus Passerivirus A* 0.814 0.694 0.757 0.592

 *Passerivirus B* 0.831 0.700 0.740 0.602

*Poecivirus Poecivirus A* 0.824 0.697 0.743 0.623

*Rafivirus Rafivirus A* 0.783 0.644 0.844 0.598

 *Rafivirus B* 0.786 0.682 0.811 0.609

 *Rafivirus C\*\** 0.782 0.672 0.784 0.638

*Rosavirus Rosavirus A* 0.775 0.620 0.649 0.498

 *Rosavirus B* 0.776 0.609 0.692 0.519

 *Rosavirus C* 0.753 0.620 0.659 0.510

*Sakobuvirus Sakobuvirus A* 0.786 0.695 0.838 0.613

*Salivirus Salivirus A* 0.770 0.701 0.862 0.634

*Sicinivirus Sicinivirus A* 0.845 0.694 0.842 0.594

*Hemipivirus*† *Hemipivirus A*† 0.760 0.637 0.745 0.594

*Pemapivirus*† *Pemapivirus A*† 0.786 0.669 0.724 0.530

*Symapivirus*† *Symapivirus A*† 0.830 0.730 0.778 0.606

\* number of amino acid differences per site

\*\* to be proposed

**Type species of genus:**

***Tropivirus A***, tropivirus A1 (Guangdong Chinese water skink picornavirus) strain ZGLXR119682, GenBank acc. no. MG600091

**Species demarcation criteria:**

not applicable

**Origin of name:**

**tropivirus**: derived from ***Tro****pidophorus sinicus* (host) and **pi**corna**virus**

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**Supporting material:**



**Legend to Figure 1:**  Phylogenetic analysis of picornavirus **P1** using Bayesian tree inference (MrBayes 3.2). Eighty picornavirus sequences of the *Dicipivirus/Gallivirus/Kobuvirus/Livupivirus/Megrivirus/Oscivirus/Passerivirus/ Poecivirus/Sakobuvirus/Salivirus/Sicinivirus/Rafivirus/Rosavirus* supergroup were retrieved from GenBank; the entero- and cardiovirus sequences 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 names are 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 2:**  Phylogenetic analysis of picornavirus **3CD** using Bayesian tree inference (MrBayes 3.2). Seventy-nine picornavirus sequences of the *Dicipivirus/Gallivirus/Kobuvirus/Livupivirus/Megrivirus/Oscivirus/Passerivirus/ Poecivirus/Sakobuvirus/Salivirus/Sicinivirus/Rafivirus/Rosavirus* supergroup were retrieved from GenBank; the entero- and cardiovirus sequences 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.