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MODULE 1: **TITLE, AUTHORS, etc**

Code assigned:	***2015.034a-dB***	(to be completed by ICTV officers)

Short title: Create one (1) new genus, *Bastillevirus*, including two (2) new species within the family *Myoviridae*
(e.g. 6 new species in the genus *Zetavirus*)

Modules attached (modules 1 and 10 are required)	**1** ☒	**2** ☒	**3** ☒	**4** ☐	**5** ☐
	6 ☐	**7** ☐	**8** ☐	**9** ☐	**10** ☒

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ICTV Study Group comments (if any) and response of the proposer:

Please note that we have chosen to refer to this new genus as *Bastillevirus* rather than *Bastillelikevirus* since the Bacterial and Archaeal Virus Subcommittee of ICTV has voted overwhelmingly in favour of eliminating "like" from phage genus names.

Date first submitted to ICTV: June 2015
Date of this revision (if different to above):

ICTV-EC comments and response of the proposer:

MODULE 2: **NEW SPECIES**

creating and naming one or more new species.

If more than one, they should be a group of related species belonging to the same genus. All new species must be placed in a higher taxon. This is usually a genus although it is also permissible for species to be "unassigned" within a subfamily or family. Wherever possible, provide sequence accession number(s) for **one** isolate of each new species proposed.

Code	***2015.034aB***	(assigned by ICTV officers)

To create 2 new species within:

Genus:	***Bastillevirus* (new)**
Subfamily:	
Family:	***Myoviridae***
Order:	***Caudovirales***

Fill in all that apply.

- If the higher taxon has yet to be created (in a later module, below) write "**(new)**" after its proposed name.
- If no genus is specified, enter "**unassigned**" in the genus box.

Name of new species:	**Representative isolate: (only 1 per species please)**	**GenBank sequence accession number(s)**
Bacillus virus Bastille *Bacillus virus CAM003*	*Bacillus* phage Bastille *Bacillus* phage CAM003	JF966203 KJ489397

Reasons to justify the creation and assignment of the new species:

- Explain how the proposed species differ(s) from all existing species.
  - If species demarcation criteria (see module 3) have previously been defined for the genus, **explain how the new species meet these criteria**.
  - If criteria for demarcating species need to be defined (because there will now be more than one species in the genus), please state the proposed criteria.
- Further material in support of this proposal may be presented in the Appendix, Module 9

We have chosen 95% DNA sequence identity as the criterion for demarcation of species in this new genus. Each of the proposed species differs from the others with more than 5% at the DNA level as confirmed with the BLASTN algorithm.

MODULE 3: **NEW GENUS**

creating a new genus

Ideally, a genus should be placed within a higher taxon.

Code	***2015.034bB***	(assigned by ICTV officers)

To create a new genus within:

Subfamily:	
Family:	***Myoviridae***
Order:	***Caudovirales***

Fill in all that apply.

- If the higher taxon has yet to be created (in a later module, below) write "**(new)**" after its proposed name.
- If no family is specified, enter "**unassigned**" in the family box

naming a new genus

Code	***2015.034cB***	(assigned by ICTV officers)

To name the new genus: *Bastillevirus*

Assigning the type species and other species to a new genus

Code	***2015.034dB***	(assigned by ICTV officers)

To designate the following as the type species of the new genus

Bacillus virus Bastille

Every genus must have a type species. This should be a well characterized species although not necessarily the first to be discovered

The new genus will also contain any other new species created and assigned to it (Module 2) and any that are being moved from elsewhere (Module 7b). **Please enter here the TOTAL number of species (including the type species) that the genus will contain:**

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Reasons to justify the creation of a new genus:

Additional material in support of this proposal may be presented in the Appendix, Module 9

"Phage Bastille was originally isolated by Allan Bastille from Riviére-du-Loup,Province de Quebec, Canada in 1984 and subsequently characterized by Ackermann et al. (2). It was classified as a member of the SP50 species, featuring an A1 morphotype with a head diameter of 90 nm and a tail length of 150 nm. This phage exhibits clearly visible capsomers and a 'double' collar baseplate as revealed by transmission electron microscopy (1)" (Figure 1). With the increase in phages deposited with GenBank its relationship is now more clearly shown to be with phages Evoli, CAM003 and Hoody T than with phage W.Ph. or CP-51 (1). It infects *Bacillus cereus and B. thuringiensis* strains (2). The 157 kb genomes (38 mol%G+C) encode 280 proteins and 7-8 tRNAs. The two members show over 90% DNA identity (Table 1, Figure 2).

A phylogenetic analysis (5) of the major capsid proteins (Fig. 3), large subunit terminase (Fig. 4) and metallophosphatases (Fig. 5) of all the current large *Bacillus* myoviruses reveals clustering which can be confirmed by total genome (BLASTN; progressiveMauve, 3) and proteomic (CoreGenes, 4) analyses. Though higher level relationships could be proposed we have chosen, at this time, to concentrate on defining genera so that the SEA-PHAGES community (http://seaphages.org/) can classify its isolates in an ICTV-approved manner.

Origin of the new genus name:

Bacillus phage Bastille

Reasons to justify the choice of type species:

The first fully sequenced member of this genus (1)

Species demarcation criteria in the new genus:

If there will be more than one species in the new genus, list the criteria being used for species demarcation and explain how the proposed members meet these criteria.

We have chosen 95% DNA sequence identity as the criterion for demarcation of species in this new genus. Each of the proposed species differs from the others with more than 5% at the DNA level as confirmed with the BLASTN algorithm.

MODULE 10: **APPENDIX**: supporting material

additional material in support of this proposal

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Annex:

Include as much information as necessary to support the proposal, including diagrams comparing the old and new taxonomic orders. The use of Figures and Tables is strongly recommended but direct pasting of content from publications will require permission from the copyright holder together with appropriate acknowledgement as this proposal will be placed on a public web site. For phylogenetic analysis, try to provide a tree where branch length is related to genetic distance.

Fig. 1. Electron micrograph of negatively stained phage Bastille (reproduced with permission of the publisher).

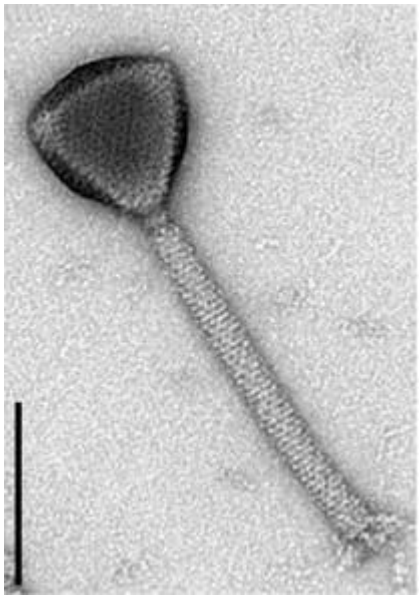


Table 1. Properties of the two phages belonging to the genus *Bastillevirus*

Phage	GenBank Accession No.	Genome size (bp)	Genome (mol%G+C)	No. CDS	No. tRNAs	DNA (% sequence identity)*	% Homologous proteins **
Bastille	JF966203	153,962	38.1	273	7	100	100
CAM003***	KJ489397	160,541	38.0	287	8	92	91.6

* Determined using BLASTN; ** Determined using CoreGenes (4); *** DNA homology indicates that isolates Evoli (KJ489398) and Hoody T (KJ489400) are strains of CAM003

Fig. 2. progressiveMauve alignment (3) of the annotated genomes of members of the *Bastillevirus* genus – top (Bastille); bottom (CAM003). Colored blocks indicate the regions of 1 to 1 best alignment with rearrangement breakpoints in a different random color. The degree of sequence similarity between regions is given by a similarity plot within the colored blocks with the height of the plot proportional to the average nucleotide identity (Aaron Darling, personal communication).

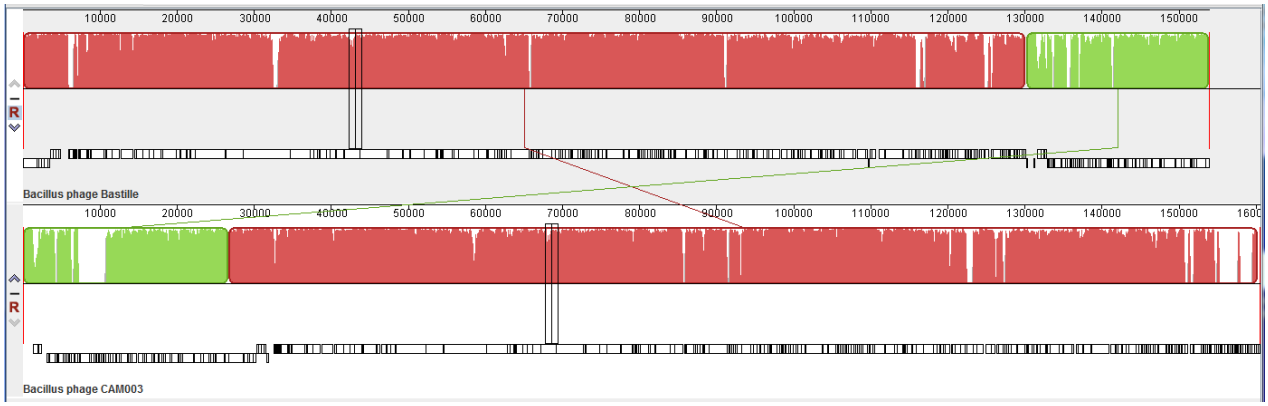


Fig. 3. Phylogenetic analysis of major capsid proteins of bastilleviruses and variety of other *Bacillus* phage proteins constructed using “one click” at phylogeny.fr (5). N.B. The capsid gene of Hoody T contained a frameshift which was corrected prior to this analysis. "The "One Click mode" targets users that do not wish to deal with program and parameter selection. By default, the pipeline is already set up to run and connect programs recognized for their accuracy and speed (MUSCLE for multiple alignment and PhyML for phylogeny) to reconstruct a robust phylogenetic tree from a set of sequences." It also includes the use of Gblocks to eliminate poorly aligned positions and divergent regions. "The usual bootstrapping procedure is replaced by a new confidence index that is much faster to compute. See: Anisimova M., Gascuel O. Approximate likelihood ratio test for branches: A fast, accurate and powerful alternative (Syst Biol. 2006;55(4):539-52.) for details."

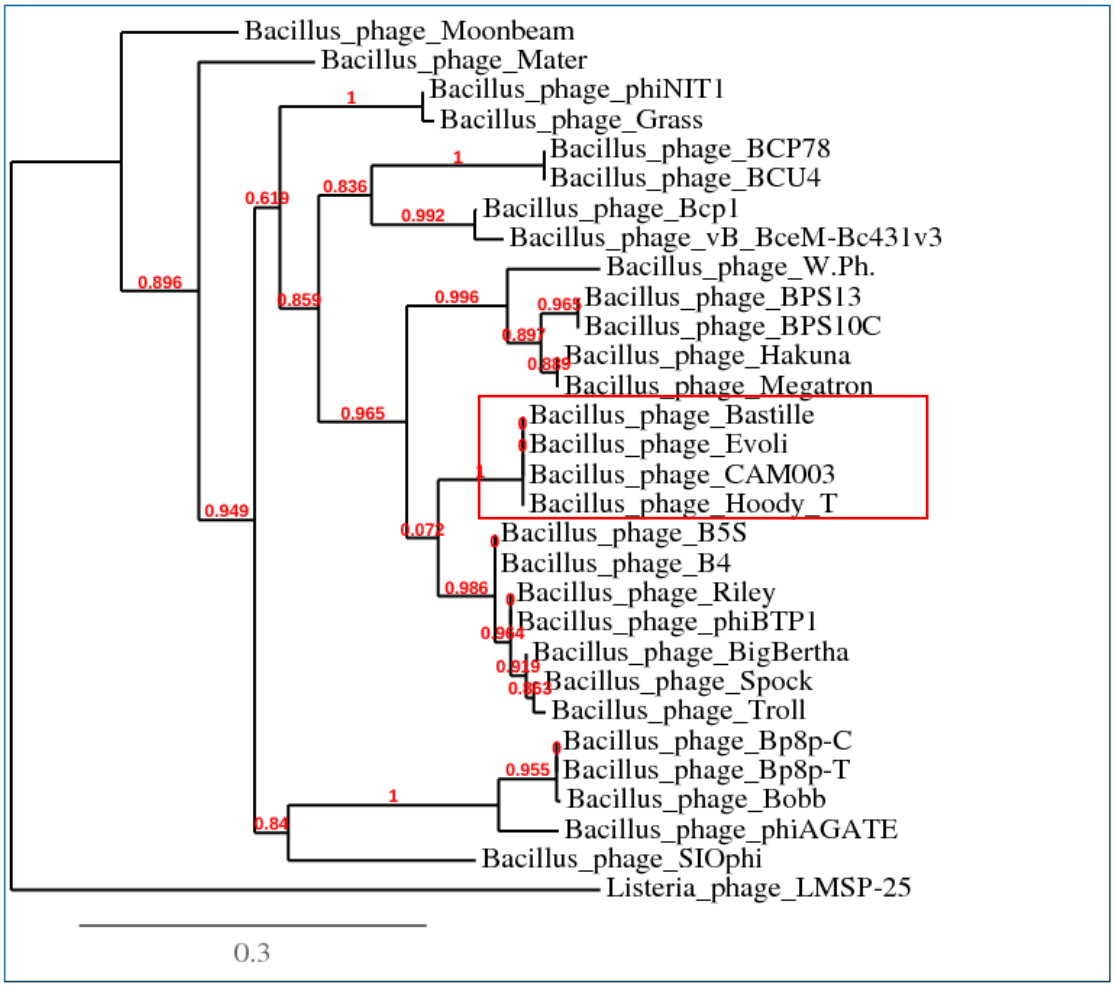


Figure 1: *Phylogenetic tree (the branch length is proportional to the number of substitutions per site).*

Fig. 4. Phylogenetic analysis of large subunit terminase proteins of bastilleviruses and variety of other *Bacillus* phage proteins constructed using "one click" at phylogeny.fr (5).

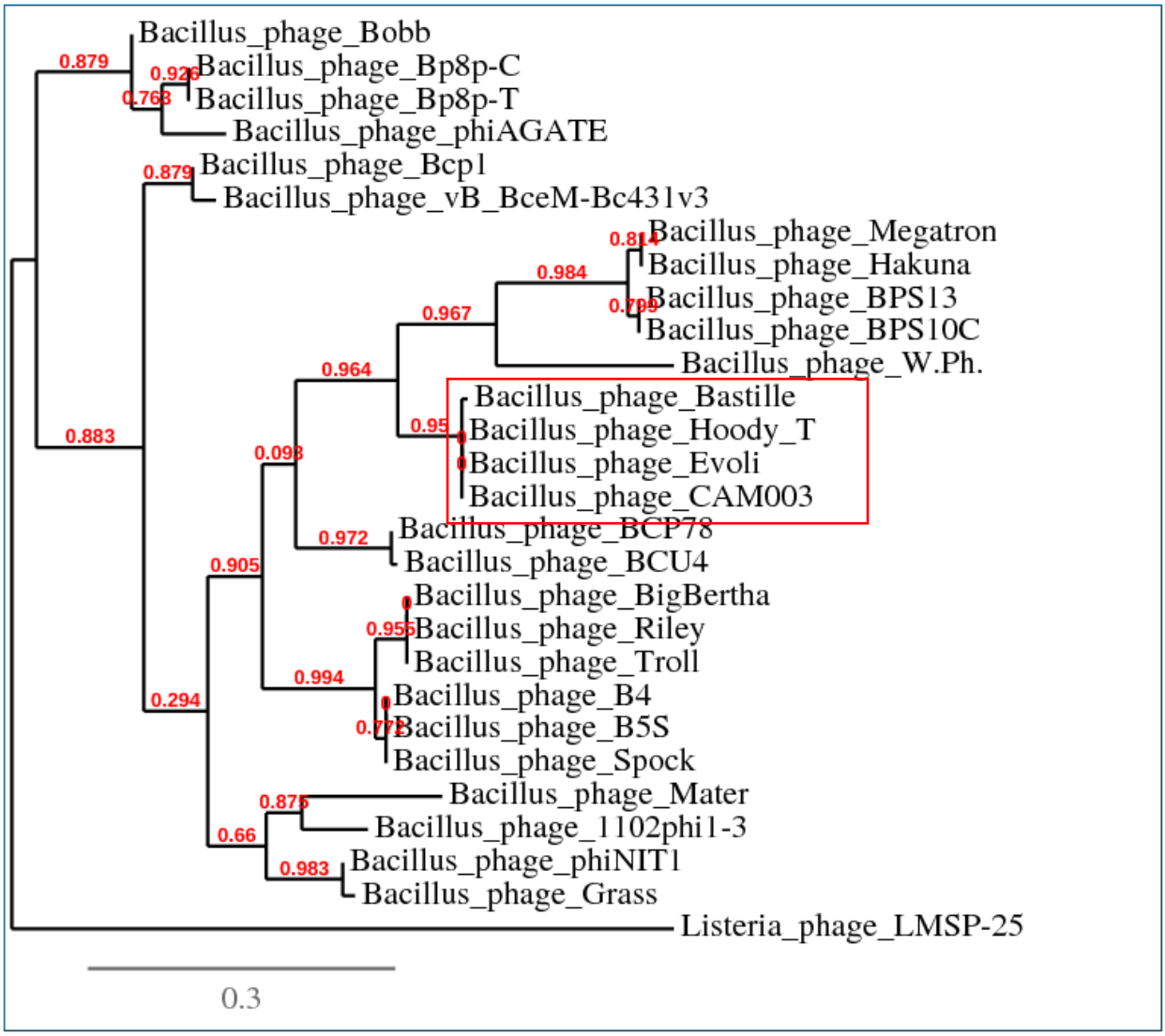
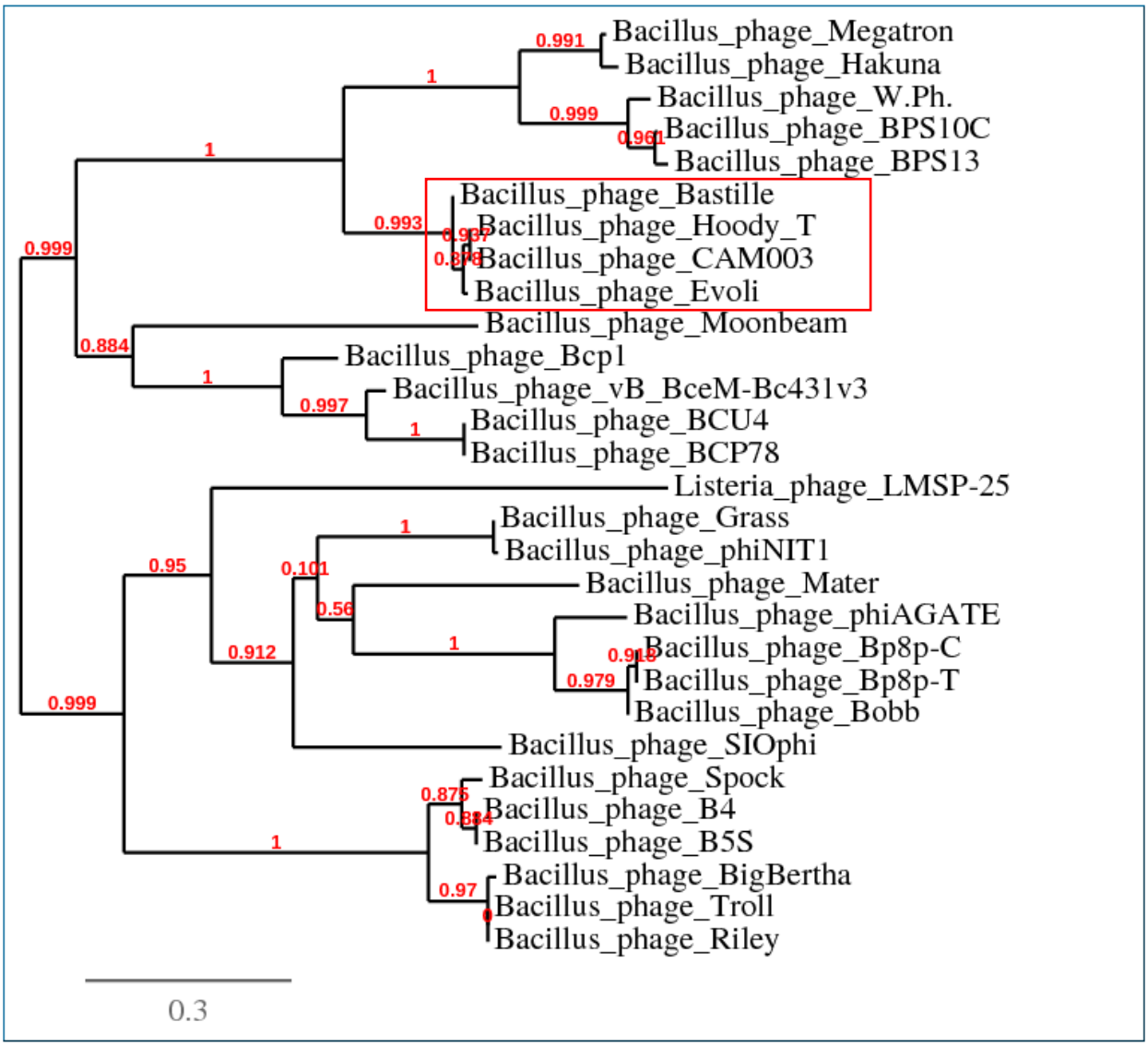


Figure 1: *Phylogenetic tree (the branch length is proportional to the number of substitutions per site).*

Fig. 5. Phylogenetic analysis of the metallophosphatase of bastilleviruses and variety of other *Bacillus* phage proteins constructed using "one click" at phylogeny.fr (5).



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