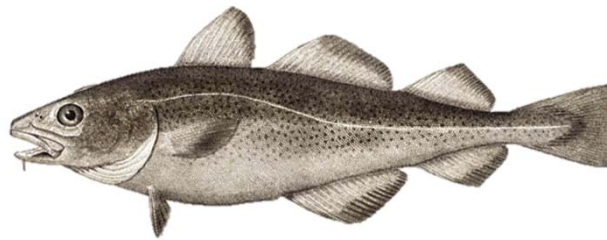


De novo assembly of teleost fishes using PacBio sequencing data



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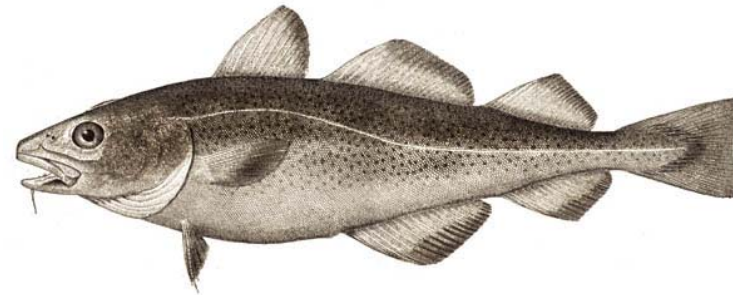
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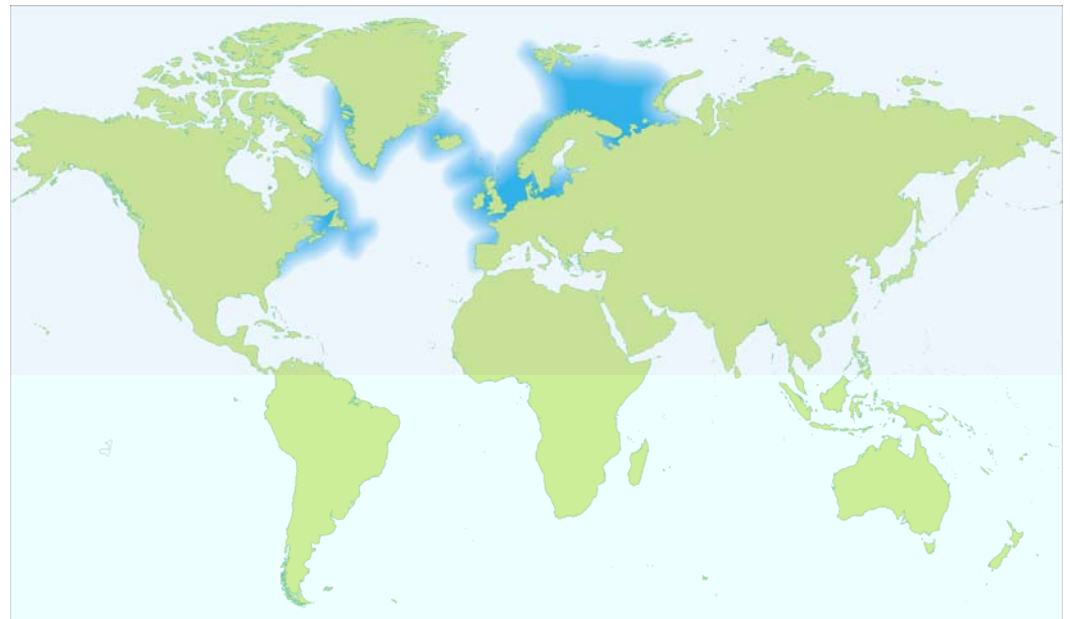


Atlantic cod

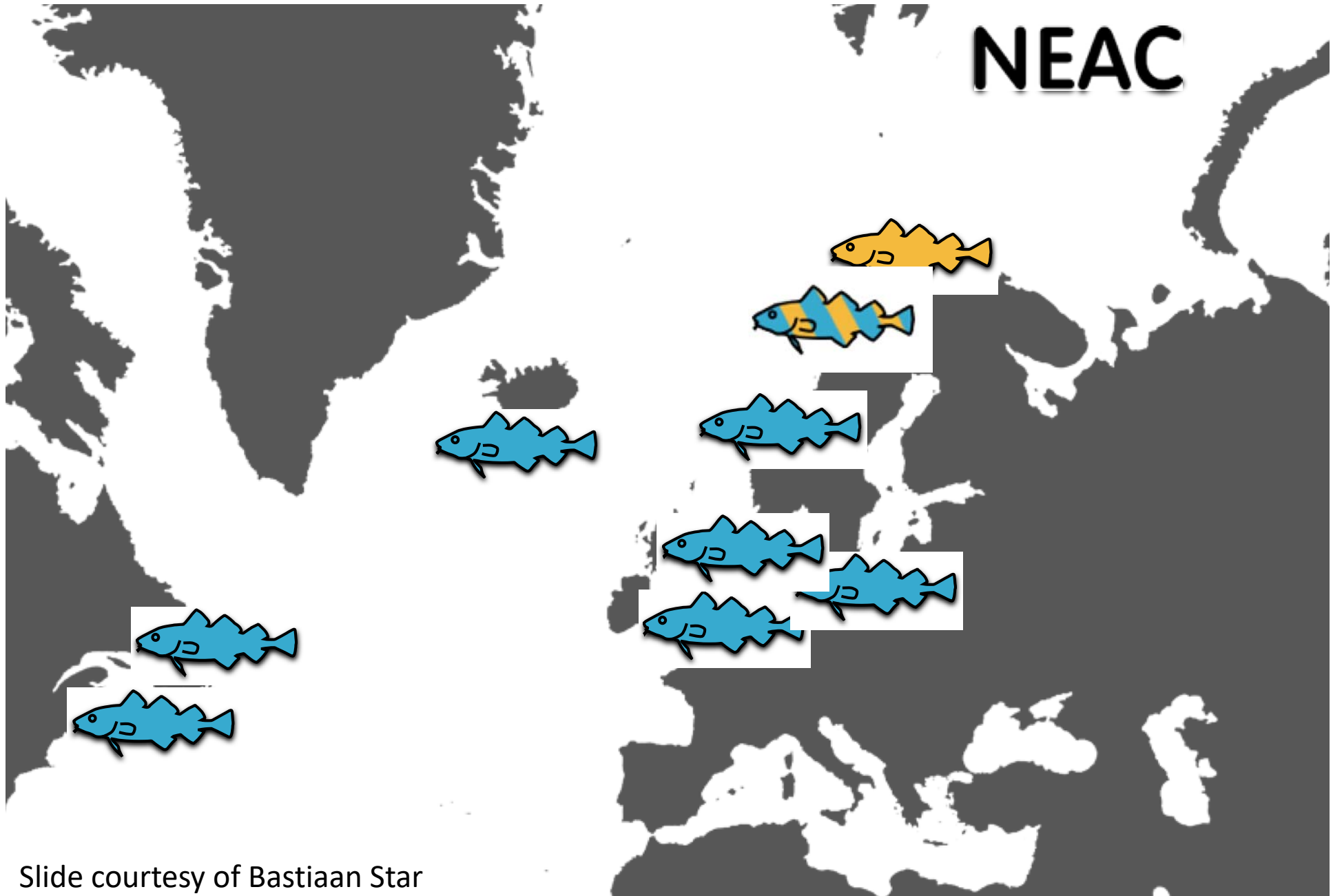
- 0.6-1.2 m long
- 40 kg
- Live up to 25 years
- 180 000 tons exported for €800 million so far this year



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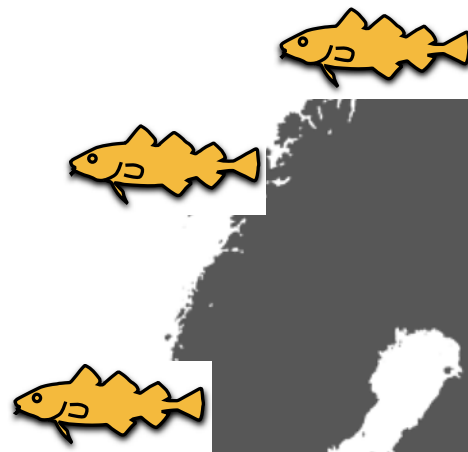


NEAC



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NEAC: temperature variation
+ typical migratory behavior



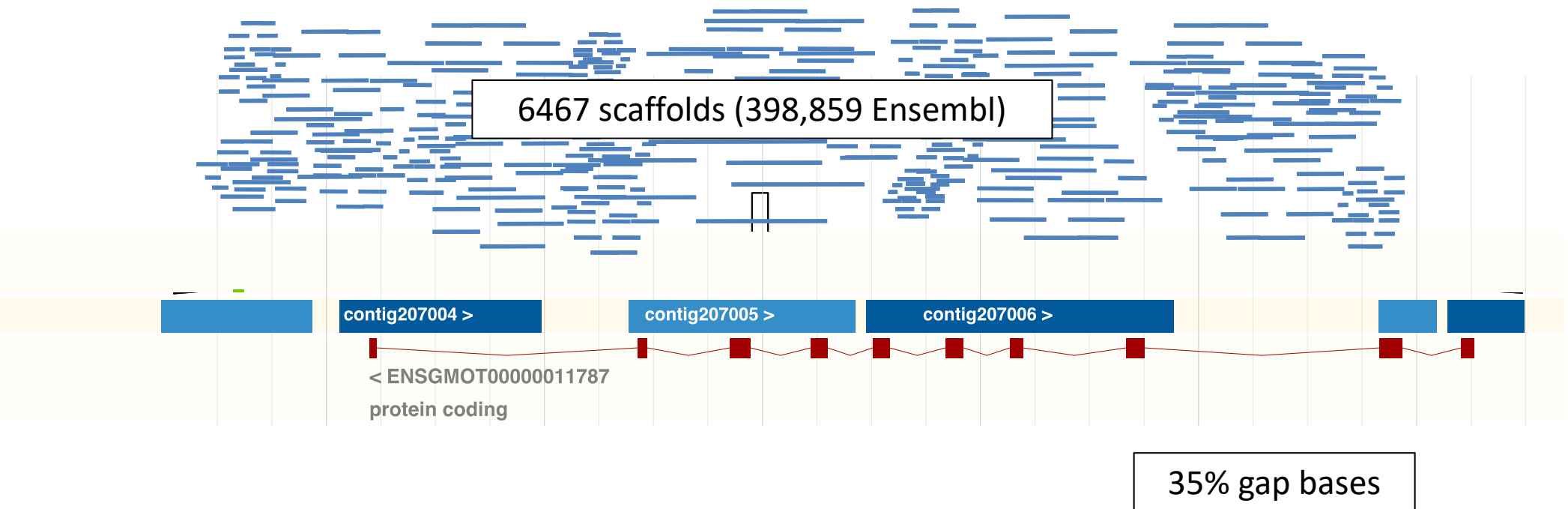
Large potential for
admixture during spawning

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Fishing in Lofoten



Cod genome assembly phase 1



Phase 1 results (Ensembl version)

Scaffold N50 0.69 Mbp (0.14)

Contig N50 3.9/2.8 kbp (2.3)

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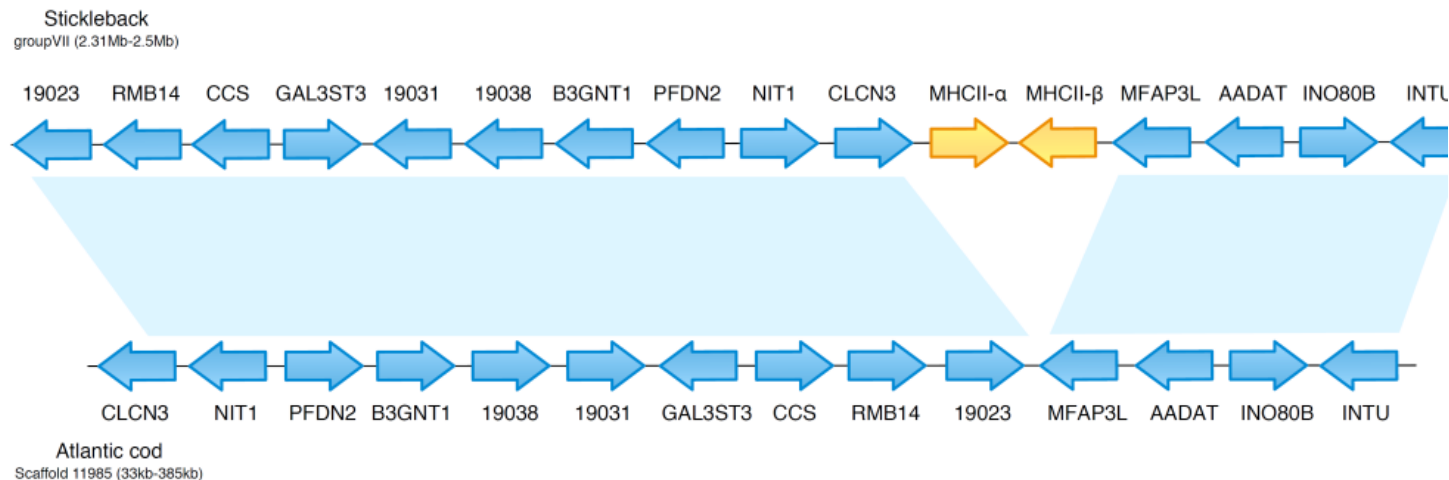
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The findings

Adaptive immunity

Missing

- major histocompatibility complex (MHC) class II
- CD4
- invariant chain

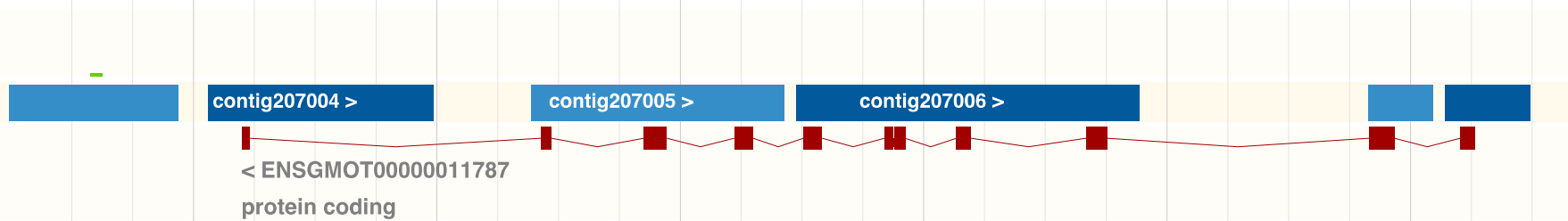


Putative MHCII region in Atlantic cod vs. Stickleback

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Consequences

Gaps in genic regions -> lost exons?



Cod genome assembly phase 2: Improvement

Existing data



454 sequencing

40x

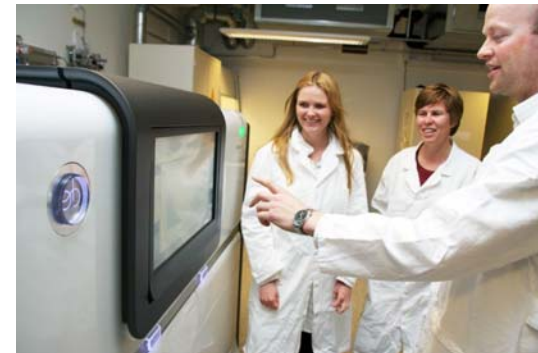
New data



Illumina sequencing

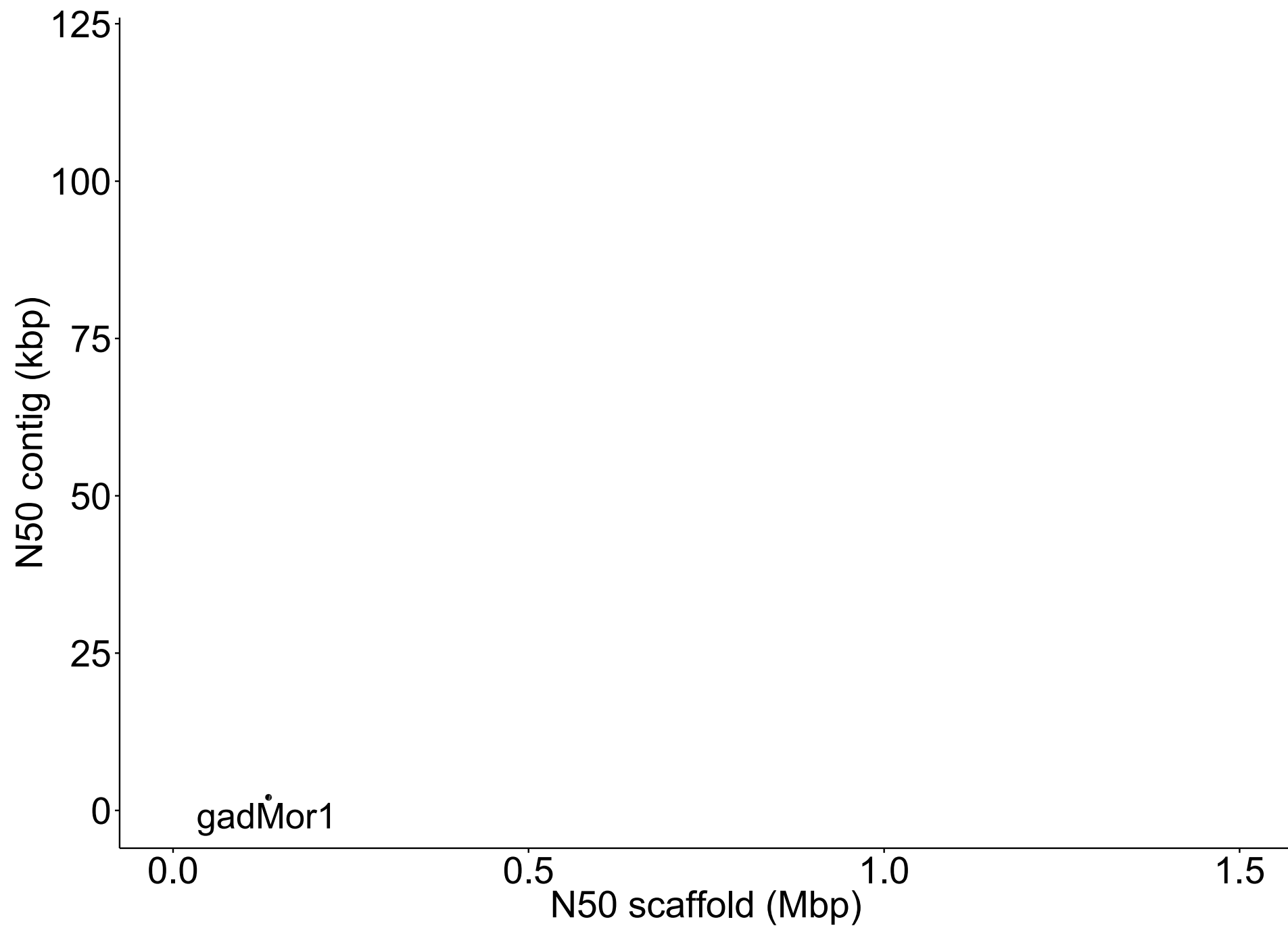
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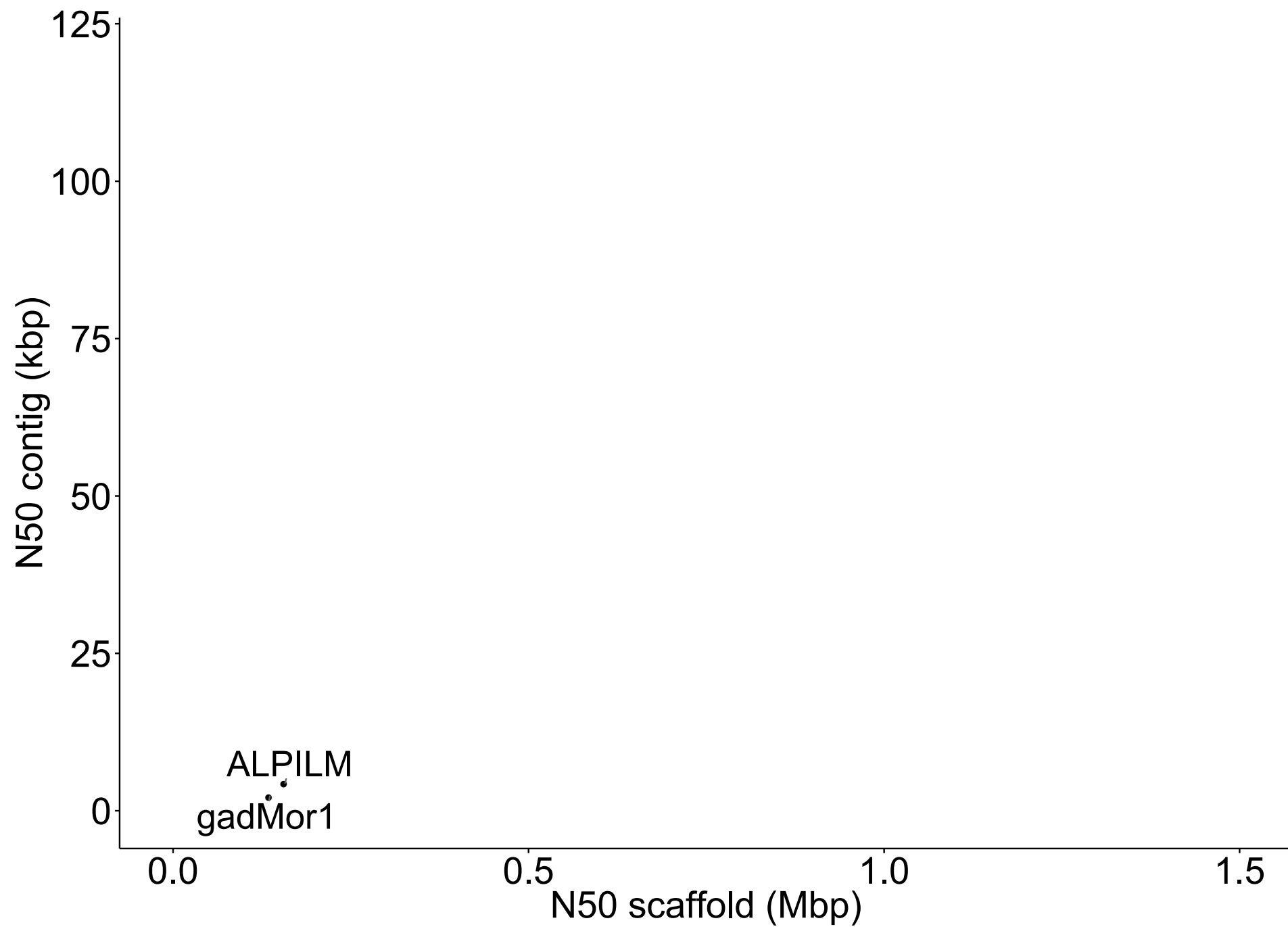
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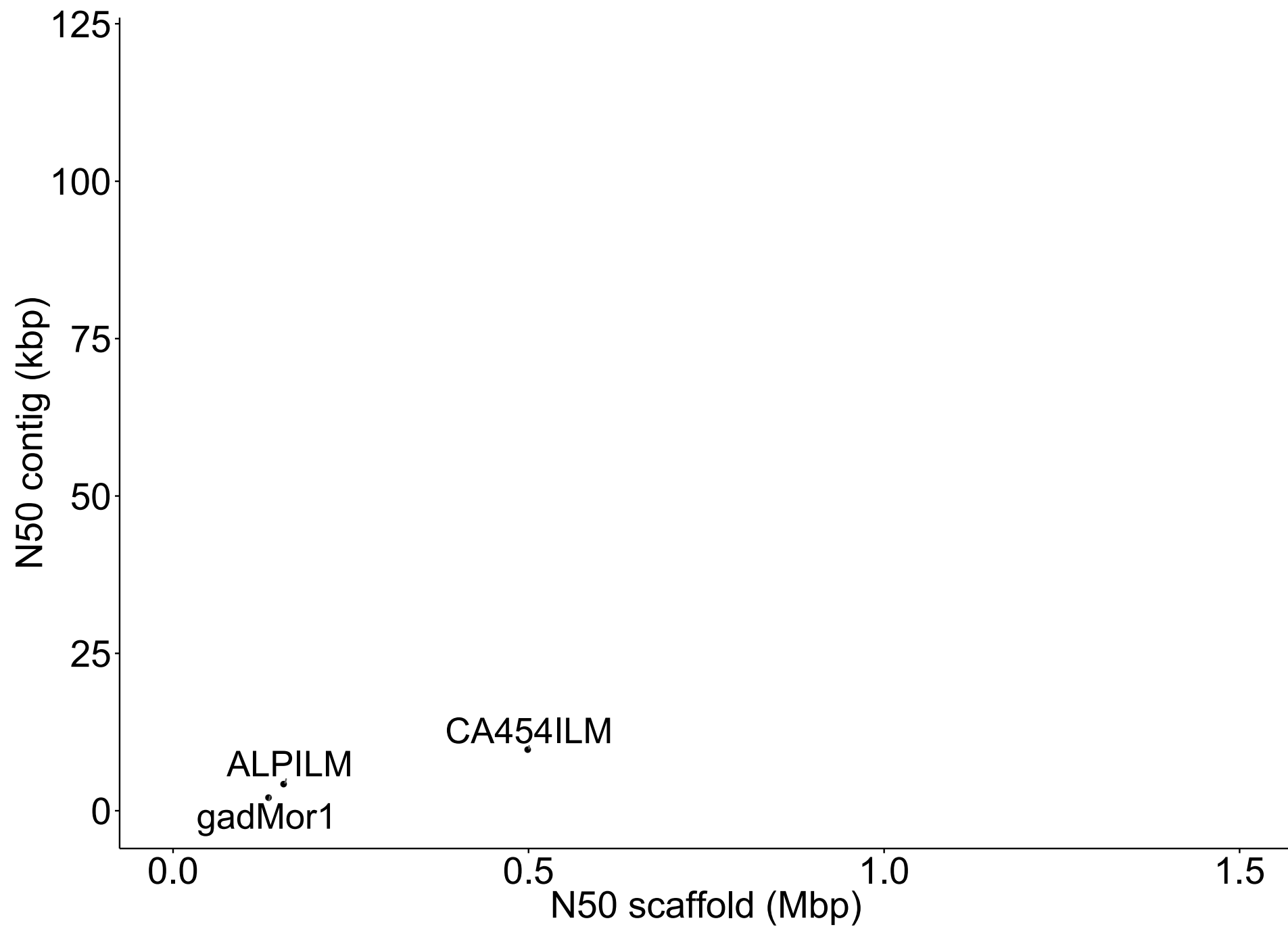


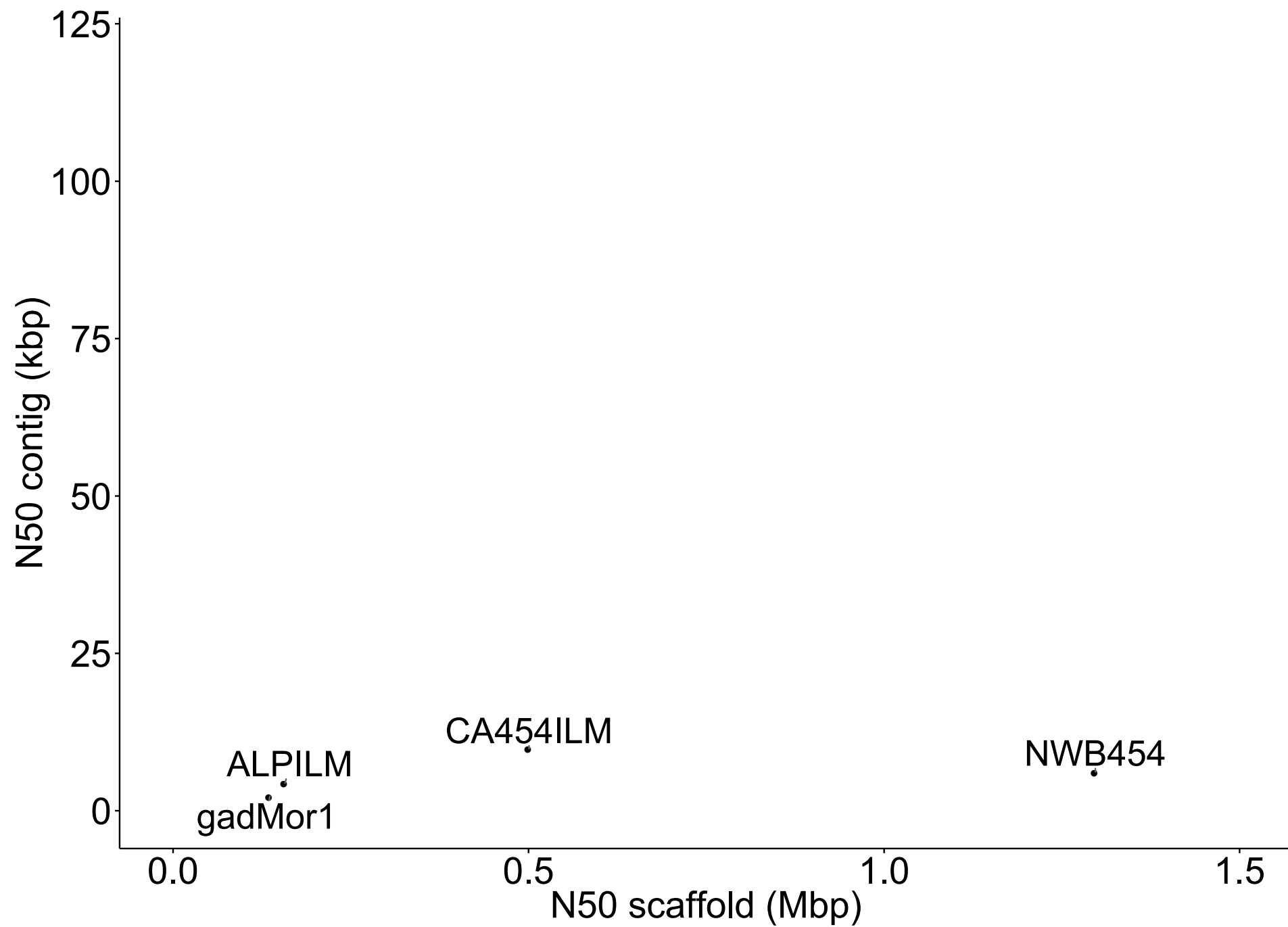
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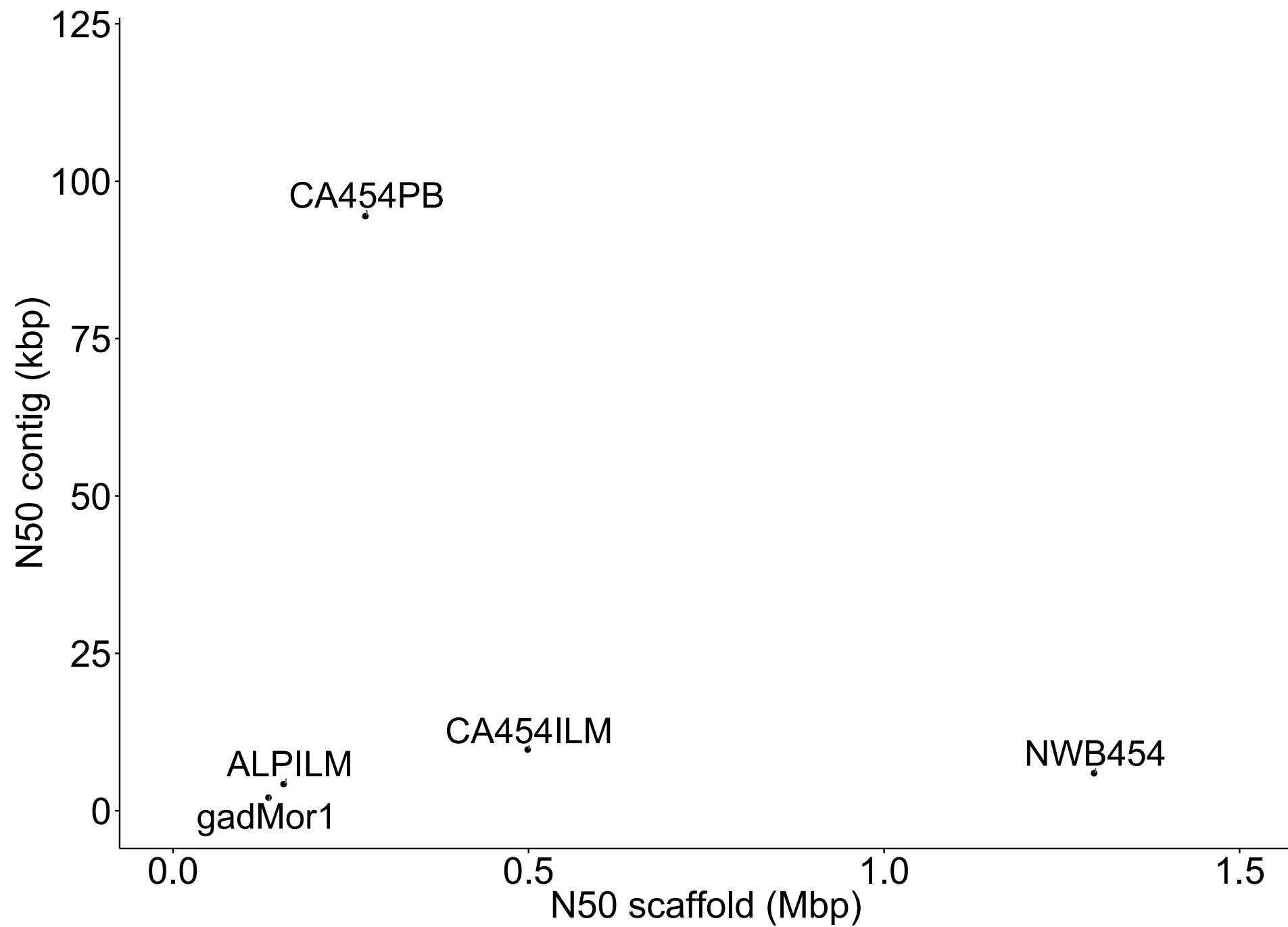
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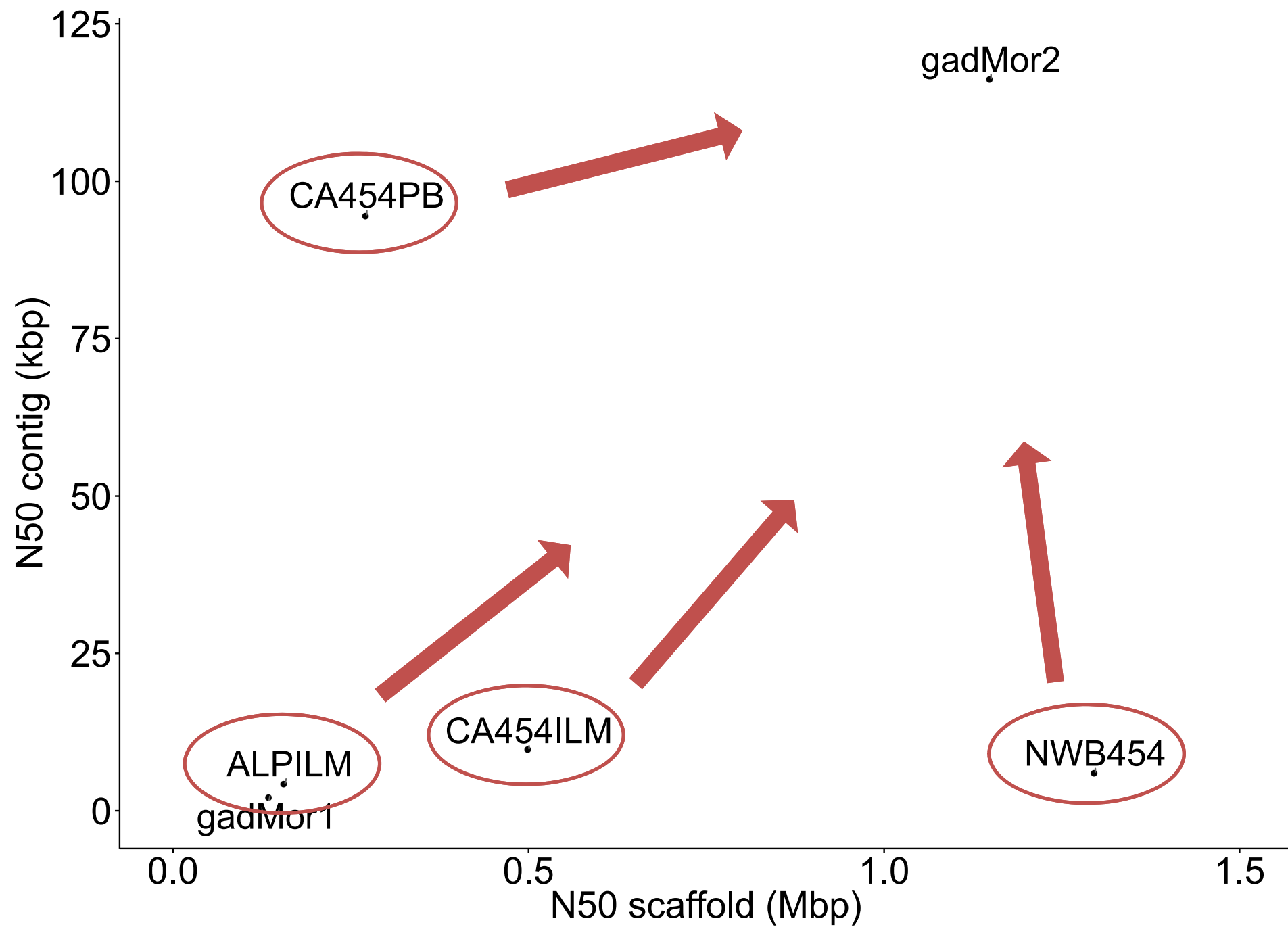








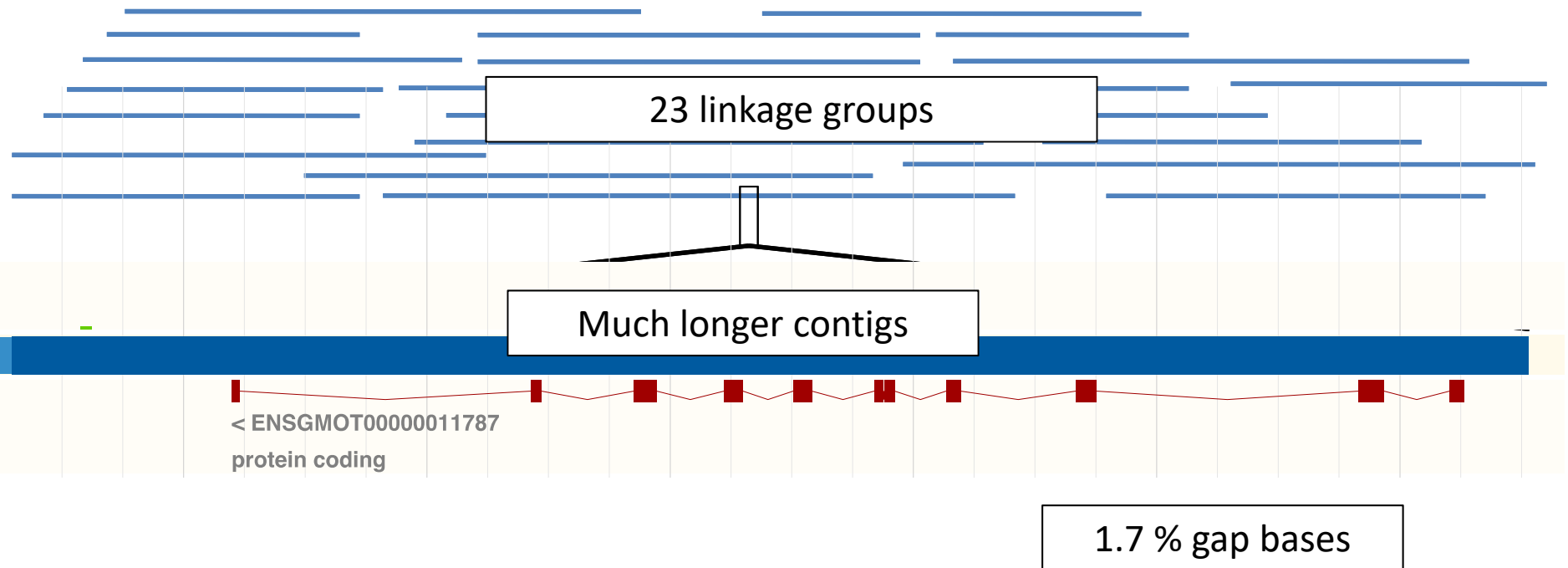




Combining long and short reads

- Attempts at correction fragmented PacBio reads
- Uncorrected PacBio assembled together with 454/Illumina reads
- First published genome assembly using uncorrected PacBio reads

What we got



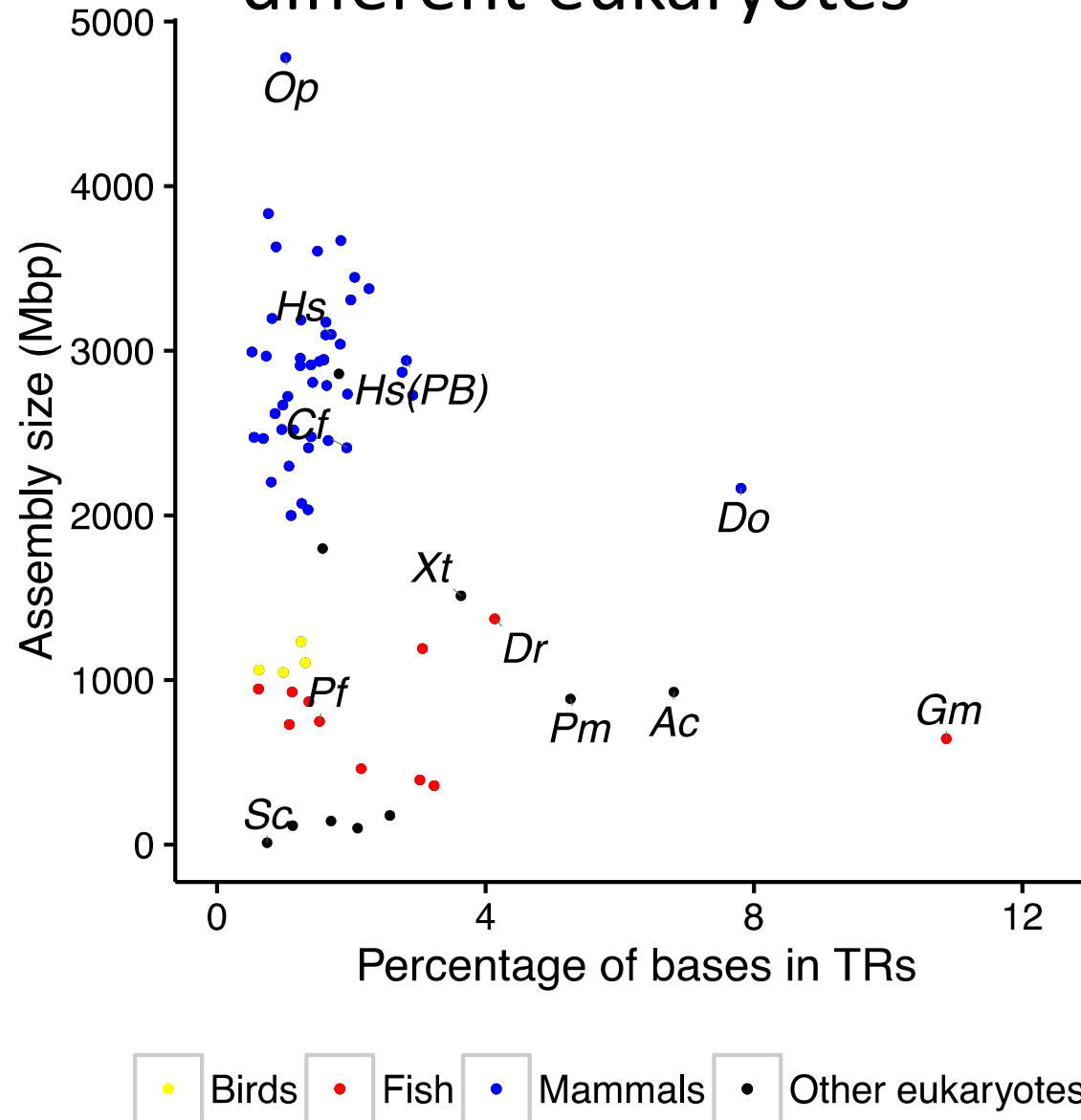
Phase 2 results

Scaffold N50 1.15 Mbp

Contig N50 116 kbp

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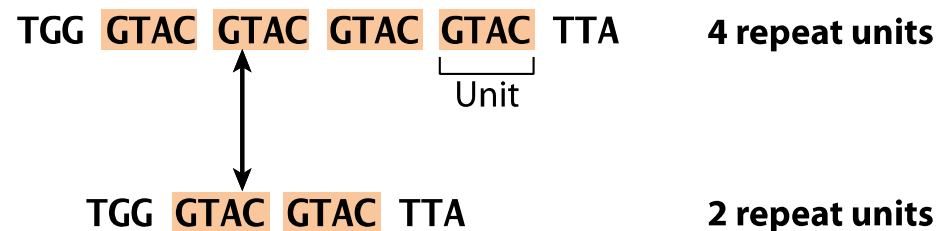
Amount of (short) tandem repeats in different eukaryotes



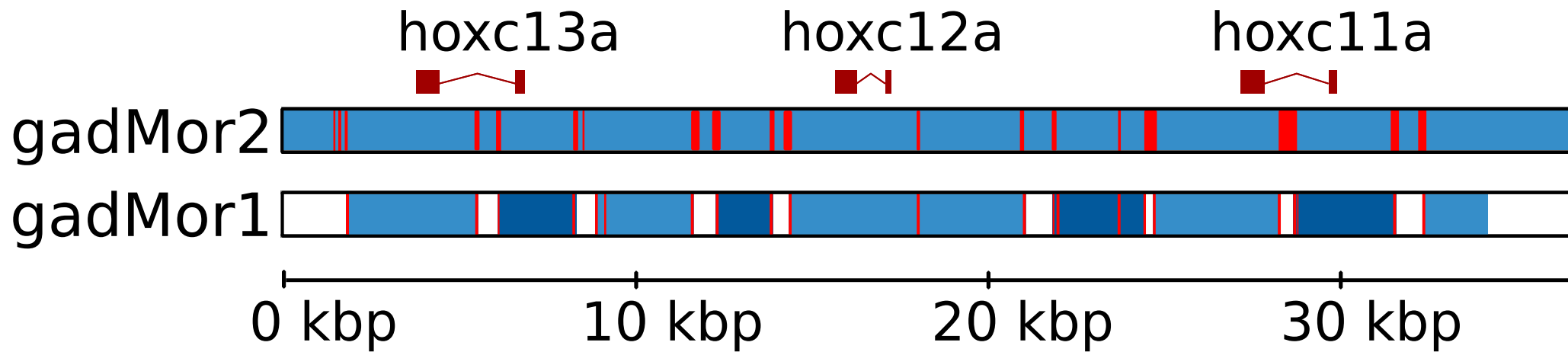
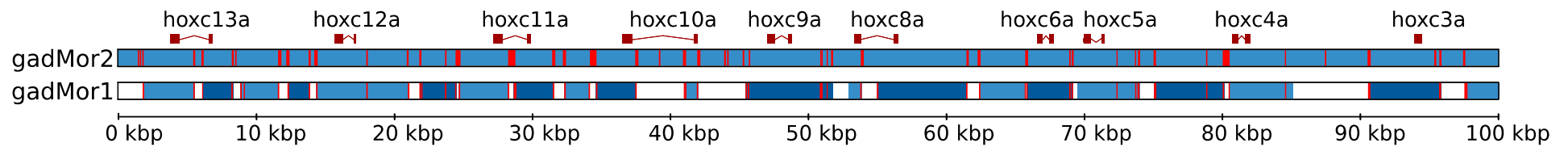
Short tandem repeats - microsatellites

- Tandem repeated short patterns
- ACTACTACTACTACT (ACT*6)
- Highly mutable

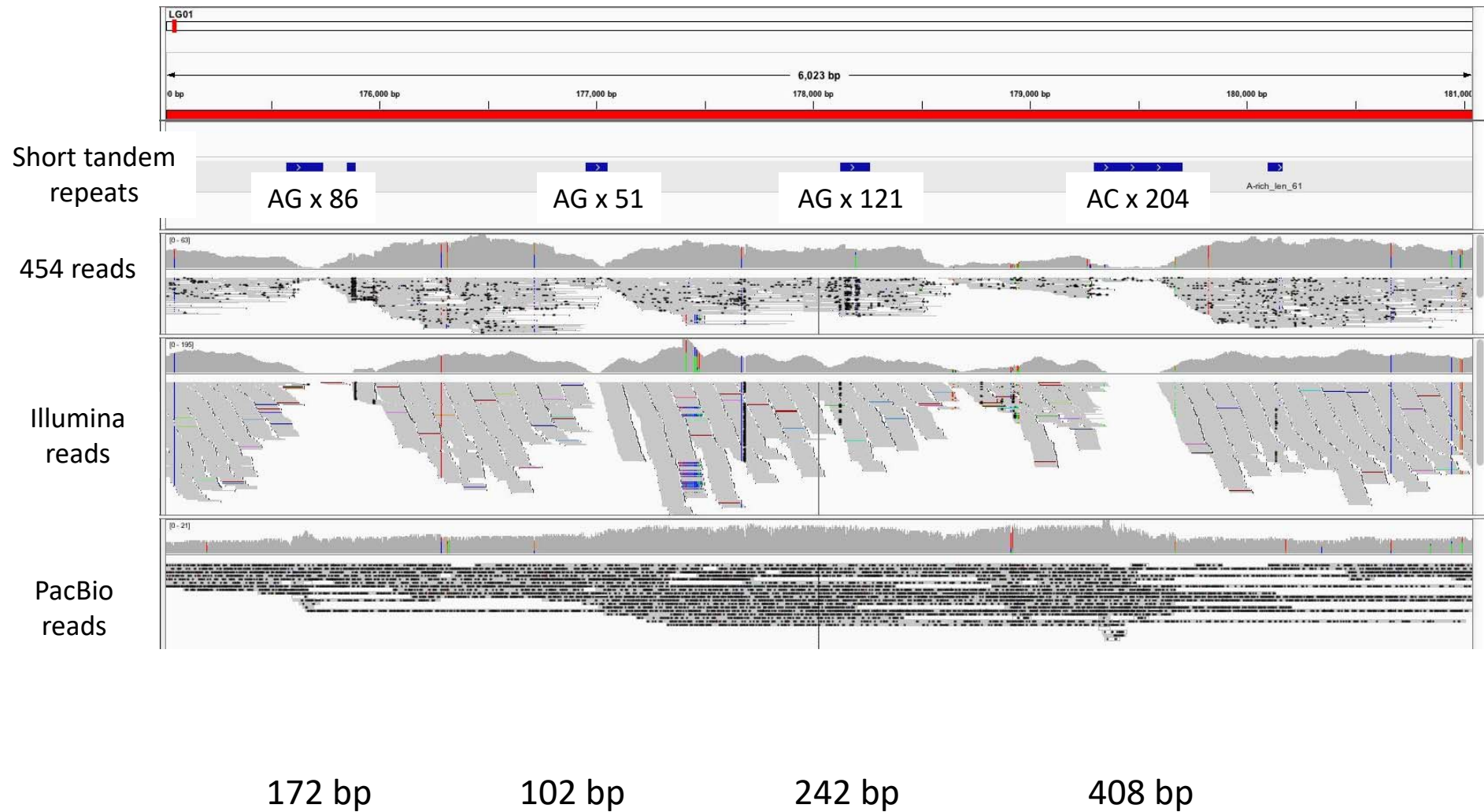
Example: 1 unit = GTAC (tetranucleotide)



Comparison of gadMor1 and gadMor2 in the hoxc cluster



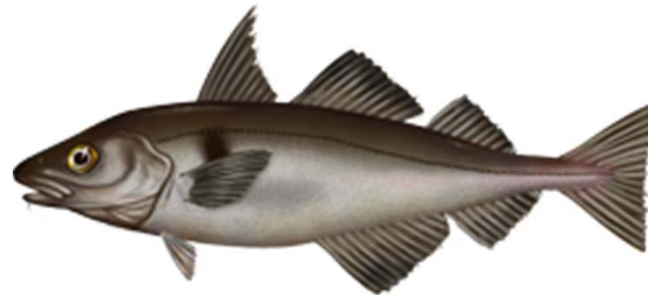
Exploring the assembly



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The haddock

- 14 million years since last common ancestor with Atlantic cod
- Also a commercially important species
- Does it also contain substantial amount of STRs?



Sequencing and assembly strategy

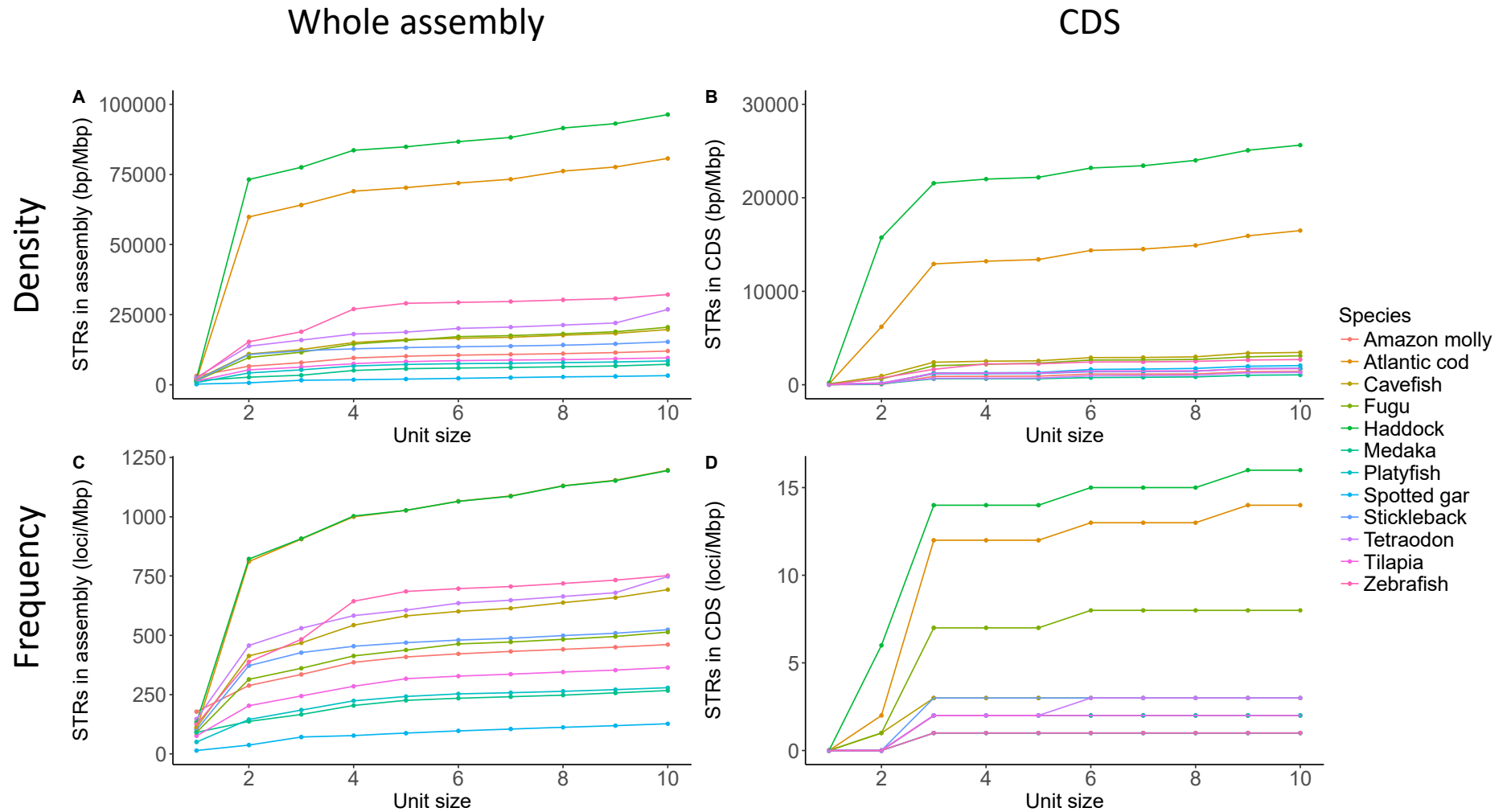
- 25X coverage PacBio P6C4
- 150X Illumina 150 bp paired reads
- Assembled together using Celera Assembler, uncorrected, but trimmed PacBio reads

Assembly statistics of haddock

	melAeg	GM_CA454PB	gadMor2
Length assembly (Mbp)	653	681	644
N50 scaffold (kbp)	209	272	1,150
N50 contig (kbp)	78	95	116
CEGMA complete (% of 458 genes)	439 (96 %)	431 (94 %)	435 (95 %)
BUSCO single	4,041 (88 %) ¹	3,819 (83 %) ¹	4,160 (91 %) ¹
BUSCO duplicated	128 (2.8 %) ¹	117 (2.6 %) ¹	127 (2.8 %) ¹
BUSCO fragmented	203 (4.4 %) ¹	359 (7.8 %) ¹	139 (3.0 %) ¹
BUSCO missing	212 (4.6 %) ¹	289 (6.3 %) ¹	158 (3.4 %) ¹

¹% of 4584 genes

Cumulative density and frequency of STRs



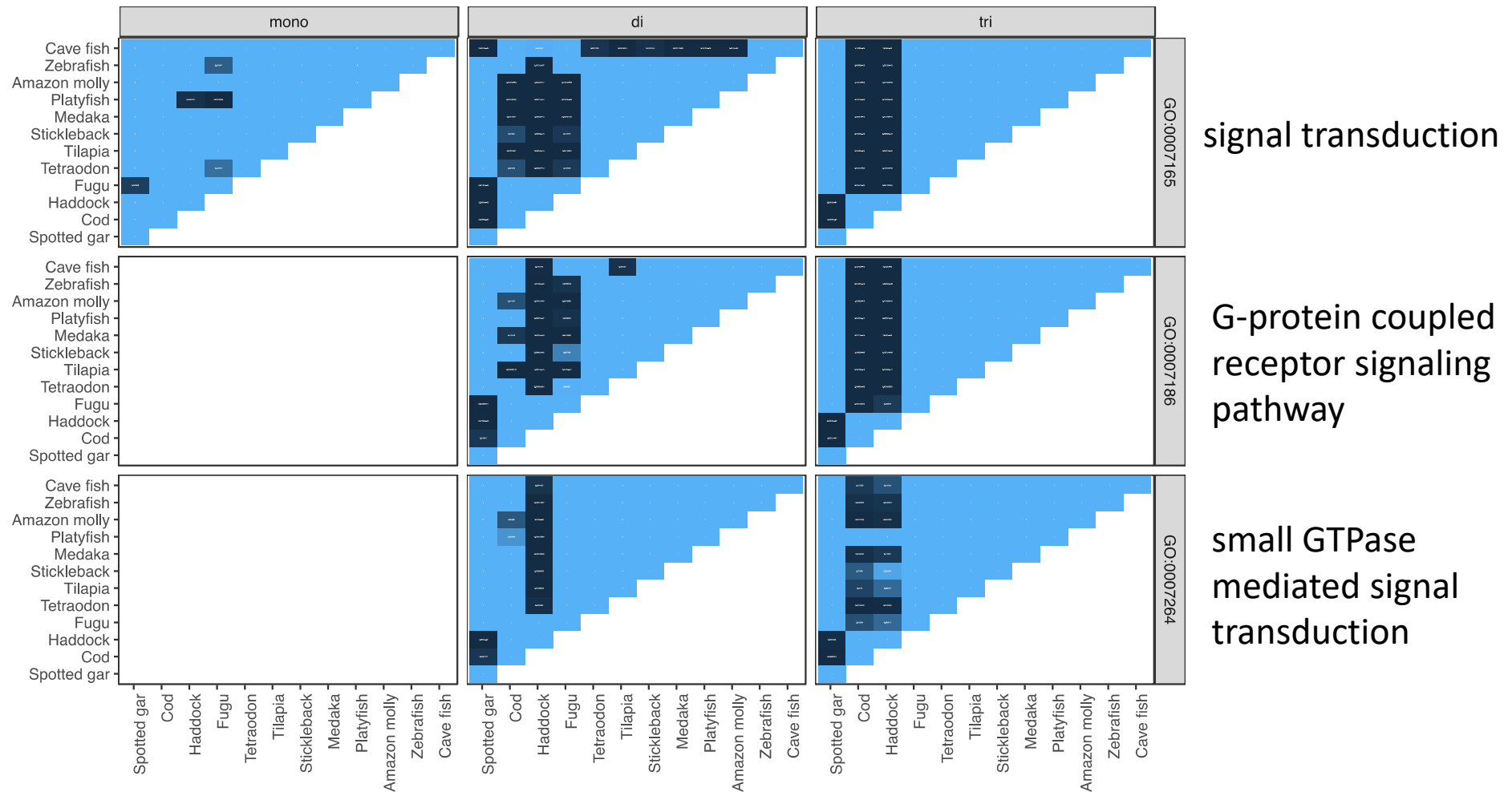
Which genes contain STRs?

- Grouped genes into functional groups (Gene Ontology)
- For each species pair and functional group (e.g. involved in signal transduction), Fisher's exact test:

	Species A	Species B	<i>Sum rows</i>
Genes with STRs	100	40	140
Total genes	150	160	310
<i>Sum columns</i>	250	200	450

- Corrected for multiple testing

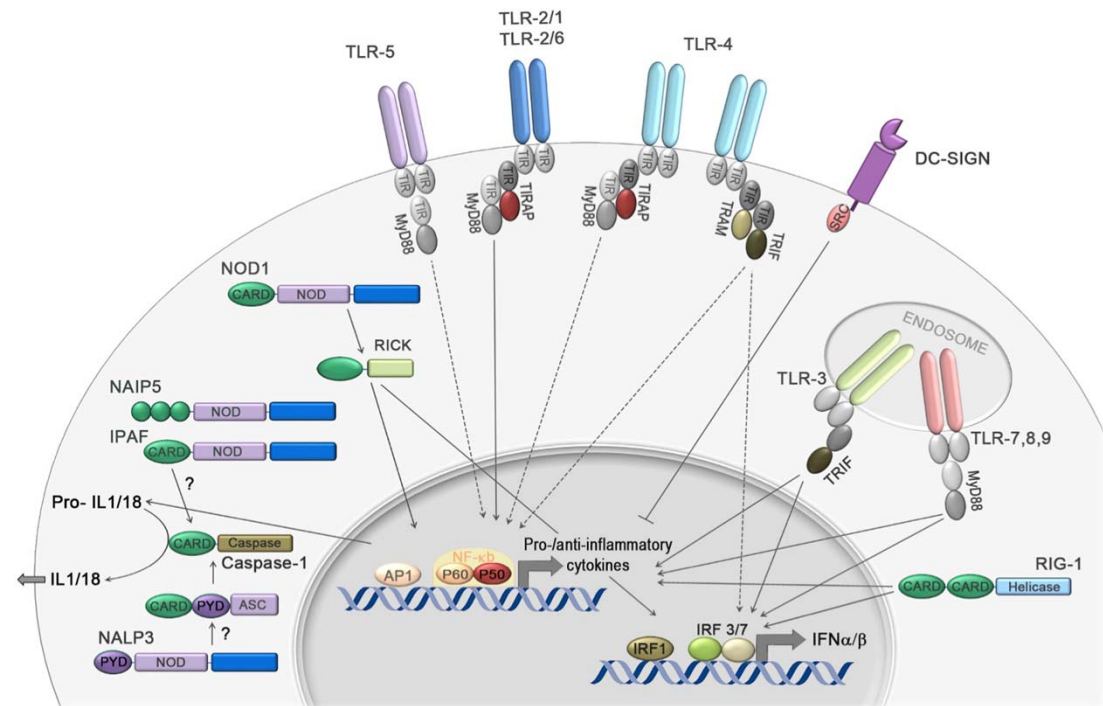
Comparisons between species



Haddock and cod have significant more STRs in genes involved in signal transduction

Innate immune-related genes

- TLRs, NLRs, RLRs and CLRs
- Sense molecules associated with damage or microbes (pathogens)
- Activates inflammatory and immune response



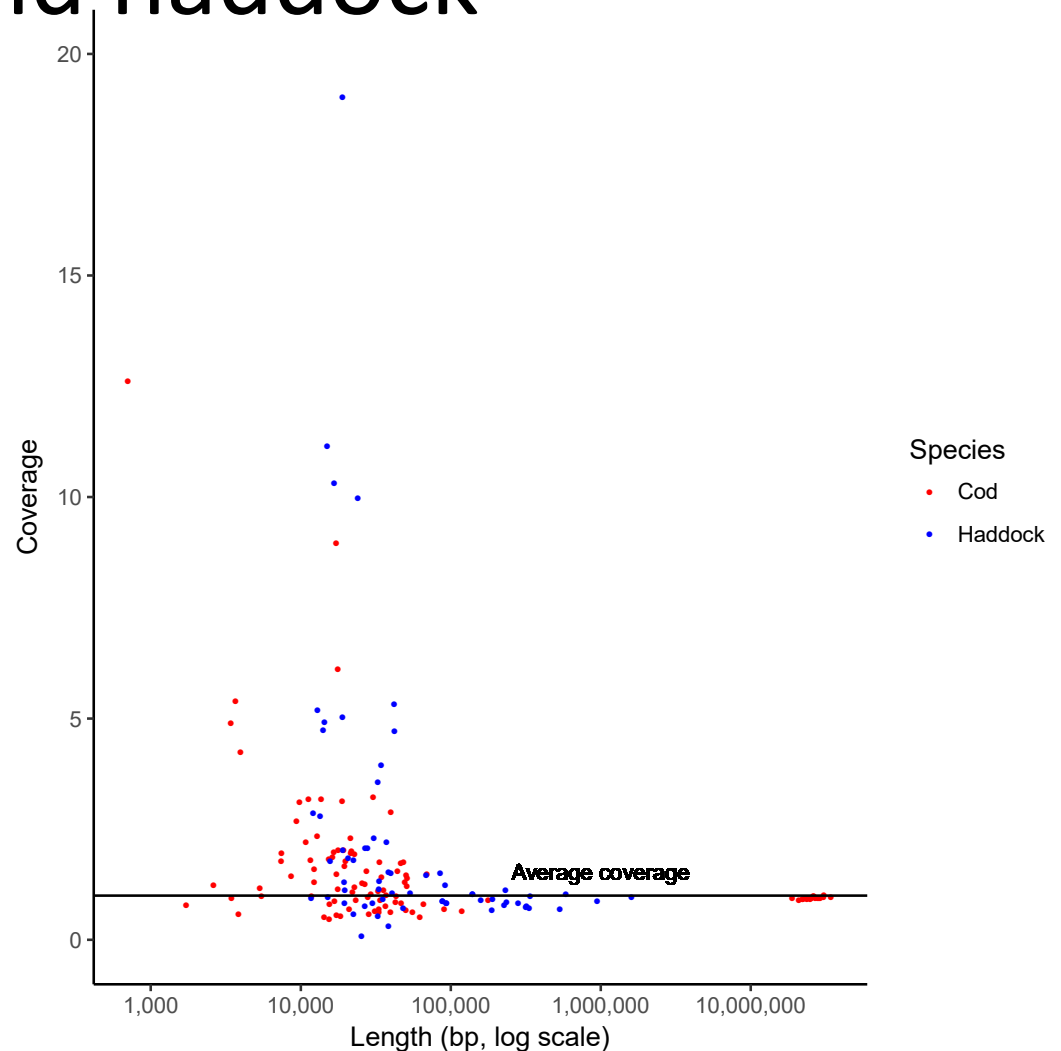
NLR proteins are expanded in teleosts

	Predicted proteins		Genome assembly	
	# NACHT	# FISNA	# NACHT (placed)	# FISNA (placed)
Spotted gar	34	15	32 (19)	16 (2)
Cavefish	97	90	107 (NA)	115 (NA)
Zebrafish	348	335	420 (380)	401 (361)
Stickleback	87	234	320 (52)	326 (46)
Fugu	42	38	76 (NA)	106 (NA)
Tetraodon	19	7	36 (10)	46 (10)
Tilapia	112	107	208 (NA)	266 (NA)
Medaka	26	18	58 (39)	93 (53)
Amazon molly	94	82	120 (NA)	111 (NA)
Platyfish	29	14	120 (NA)	111 (NA)
Atlantic cod	133	137	178 (93)	191 (90)
Haddock	36	41	59 (NA)	71 (NA)

- Genome annotation likely underrepresent the actual numbers

Sequences with *NLRs* are collapsed in cod and haddock

- Multiple copies of a gene are like repeats
- The genome assembly likely underrepresents the number of *NLRs*



Summary

- Atlantic cod and haddock have a high density and frequency of STRs in both coding and non-coding regions, likely of evolutionary consequences
- Likely large expansions in the NLRs
- PacBio sequencing data crucial for investigating this

More research is needed

- Present genome assemblies cannot properly represent expanded immune genes nor STRs
- What is the mechanism behind expansion of genes?
- What is the variation in populations of both STRs and immune genes?

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Plant genome assemblies starting to come in on the Sequel System, all with contig N50 >1Mb [#ABRF2017](#) [@PacBio](#) [#1MbCtgClub](#)

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	<i>A. thaliana</i>	Soybean	Rice	<i>Sedum alfredii</i>	
				HZ	NHZ
# Sequel SMRT Cells	2	7	10	10	10
Assembly size	123 Mb	902 Mb	409 Mb	236 Mb	397 Mb
Contig N50	10.4 Mb	1.2 Mb	1.8 Mb	1.08 Mb	1.26 Mb



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The future

- Generated 70X coverage of PacBio reads (P6C4 and Sequel) for Atlantic cod
- Preliminary assembly contig N50 66 kbp ☹️
- Looking into both 10X Genomics' Chromium and Dovetail's Chicago and Hi-C for scaffolding
- Tissue without degraded DNA is an issue
- PacBio or Nanopore reads together with 10X linked-reads is a powerful combination