

## GEPHE SUMMARY

**Gephebase Gene**  
CYP6CY3

**Entry Status**  
Published

**GepheID**  
GP00001474

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## PHENOTYPIC CHANGE

**Trait Category**  
Physiology

**Trait**  
Xenobiotic resistance (nicotine and nicotinoid insecticides) and host plant

**Trait State in Taxon A**  
Peach-potato aphid 4106A does not survive for 144h on a diet containing 30ppm nicotine ; tobacco aphid JR with 100% mortality at 144h on a diet containing 320ppm nicotine

**Trait State in Taxon B**  
tobacco aphid 5410R with 7% mortality at 144h on a diet containing 320ppm nicotine ; tobacco aphid 5191A survive for 144h on a diet containing 30ppm nicotine

**Ancestral State**  
Taxon A

**Taxonomic Status**  
Intraspecific

### Taxon A

**Latin Name**  
*Myzus persicae*

**Common Name**  
green peach aphid

**Synonyms**  
Myzus (Nectarosiphon) persicae; green peach aphid; peach-potato aphid; Myzus persicae (Sulzer, 1776); Myzus persiceae

**Rank**  
species

**Lineage**  
cellular organisms; Eukaryota; Opisthokonta; Metazoa; Eumetazoa; Bilateria; Protostomia; Ecdysozoa; Panarthropoda; Arthropoda; Mandibulata; Pancrustacea; Hexapoda; Insecta; Dicondylia; Pterygota; Neoptera; Paraneoptera; Hemiptera; Sternorrhyncha; Aphidomorpha; Aphidoidea; Aphididae; Aphidinae; Macrosiphini; Myzus

**Parent**  
Myzus () - (Rank: genus)

**NCBI Taxonomy ID**  
13164

**is Taxon A an Intraspecies?**  
Yes

**Taxon A Description**  
Peach-potato aphid 4106A does not survive for 144h on a diet containing 30ppm nicotine ; tobacco aphid JR with 100% mortality at 144h on a diet containing 320ppm nicotine

### Taxon B

**Latin Name**  
*Myzus persicae*

**Common Name**  
green peach aphid

**Synonyms**  
Myzus (Nectarosiphon) persicae; green peach aphid; peach-potato aphid; Myzus persicae (Sulzer, 1776); Myzus persiceae

**Rank**  
species

**Lineage**  
cellular organisms; Eukaryota; Opisthokonta; Metazoa; Eumetazoa; Bilateria; Protostomia; Ecdysozoa; Panarthropoda; Arthropoda; Mandibulata; Pancrustacea; Hexapoda; Insecta; Dicondylia; Pterygota; Neoptera; Paraneoptera; Hemiptera; Sternorrhyncha; Aphidomorpha; Aphidoidea; Aphididae; Aphidinae; Macrosiphini; Myzus

**Parent**  
Myzus () - (Rank: genus)

**NCBI Taxonomy ID**  
13164

**is Taxon B an Intraspecies?**  
Yes

**Taxon B Description**  
tobacco aphid 5410R with 7% mortality at 144h on a diet containing 320ppm nicotine ; tobacco aphid 5191A survive for 144h on a diet containing 30ppm nicotine

## GENOTYPIC CHANGE

**Generic Gene Name**  
CYP6CY3

**Synonyms**  
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**String**  
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**Sequence Similarities**  
Belongs to the cytochrome P450 family.

**GO - Molecular Function**  
GO:0020037 : heme binding  
GO:0005506 : iron ion binding

**UniProtKB Myzus persicae**  
V5SQ25

**GenebankID or UniProtKB**

GO:0004497 : monooxygenase activity

GO:0016705 : oxidoreductase activity, acting on paired donors, with incorporation or reduction of molecular oxygen

GO - Biological Process

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GO - Cellular Component

GO:0016021 : integral component of membrane

Presumptive Null

No

Molecular Type

Cis-regulatory

Aberration Type

Insertion

Insertion Size

10-99 bp

Molecular Details of the Mutation

Expansion of a AC dinucleotide microsatellite (from 15 to 48 repeat units) in the promoter 198 bp upstream of the start codon that enhances gene expression

Experimental Evidence

Candidate Gene

Main Reference

Gene amplification and microsatellite polymorphism underlie a recent insect host shift. (2013)

Authors

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Abstract

Host plant shifts of herbivorous insects may be a first step toward sympatric speciation and can create new pests of agriculturally important crops; however, the molecular mechanisms that mediate this process are poorly understood. Certain races of the polyphagous aphid *Myzus persicae* have recently adapted to feed on tobacco (*Myzus persicae nicotianae*) and show a reduced sensitivity to the plant alkaloid nicotine and cross-resistance to neonicotinoids a class of synthetic insecticides widely used for control. Here we show constitutive overexpression of a cytochrome P450 (CYP6CY3) allows tobacco-adapted races of *M. persicae* to efficiently detoxify nicotine and has preadapted them to resist neonicotinoid insecticides. CYP6CY3, is highly overexpressed in *M. persicae nicotianae* clones from three continents compared with *M. persicae* s.s. and expression level is significantly correlated with tolerance to nicotine. CYP6CY3 is highly efficient (compared with the primary human nicotine-metabolizing P450) at metabolizing nicotine and neonicotinoids to less toxic metabolites in vitro and generation of transgenic *Drosophila* expressing CYP6CY3 demonstrate that it confers resistance to both compounds in vivo. Overexpression of CYP6CY3 results from the expansion of a dinucleotide microsatellite in the promoter region and a recent gene amplification, with some aphid clones carrying up to 100 copies. We conclude that the mutations leading to overexpression of CYP6CY3 were a prerequisite for the host shift of *M. persicae* to tobacco and that gene amplification and microsatellite polymorphism are evolutionary drivers in insect host adaptation.

Additional References

## RELATED GEPHE

Related Genes

No matches found.

Related Haplotypes

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## COMMENTS

For four of the *M. persicae nicotianae* clones all amplified copies of CYP6CY3 appear to share the microsatellite expansion suggests that this mutation predates the gene amplification event ; an other A>G SNP 138 bp upstream of the start codon is also observed but it is experimentally shown to not be involved