

GEPHE SUMMARY

ebony (<a +ebony+"#gephebase-summary-title"="" href="https://www.gephebase.org/search-criteria?/and+Gene+Gephebase=">https://www.gephebase.org/search-criteria?/and+Gene+Gephebase="+ebony+"#gephebase-summary-title)	Gephebase Gene	GP00001546	GepheID
Published	Entry Status	Prigent	Main curator

PHENOTYPIC CHANGE

Morphology (<a +morphology+"#gephebase-summary-title"="" href="https://www.gephebase.org/search-criteria?/and+Trait+Category=">https://www.gephebase.org/search-criteria?/and+Trait+Category="+Morphology+"#gephebase-summary-title)	Trait Category		
Coloration (male-specific) (<a +coloration+(male-specific)+"#gephebase-summary-title"="" href="https://www.gephebase.org/search-criteria?/and+Trait=">https://www.gephebase.org/search-criteria?/and+Trait="+Coloration+(male-specific)+"#gephebase-summary-title)	Trait		
D. ercepeae with darker male abdominal pigmentation	Trait State in Taxon A		
D. merina with light colored male abdominal pigmentation	Trait State in Taxon B		
Unknown	Ancestral State		
Interspecific (<a +interspecific+"#gephebase-summary-title"="" href="https://www.gephebase.org/search-criteria?/and+Taxonomic+Status=">https://www.gephebase.org/search-criteria?/and+Taxonomic+Status="+Interspecific+"#gephebase-summary-title)	Taxonomic Status		

Taxon A		Taxon B	
	Latin Name		Latin Name
Drosophila ercepeae (<a +drosophila+ercepeae+"#gephebase-summary-title"="" href="https://www.gephebase.org/search-criteria?/and+Taxon+and+Synonyms=">https://www.gephebase.org/search-criteria?/and+Taxon+and+Synonyms="+Drosophila+ercepeae+"#gephebase-summary-title)	Drosophila merina (<a +drosophila+merina+"#gephebase-summary-title"="" href="https://www.gephebase.org/search-criteria?/and+Taxon+and+Synonyms=">https://www.gephebase.org/search-criteria?/and+Taxon+and+Synonyms="+Drosophila+merina+"#gephebase-summary-title)		
-	Common Name	-	Common Name
-	Synonyms	-	Synonyms
species	Rank	species	Rank
cellular organisms; Eukaryota; Opisthokonta; Metazoa; Eumetazoa; Bilateria; Protostomia; Ecdysozoa; Panarthropoda; Arthropoda; Mandibulata; Pancrustacea; Hexapoda; Insecta; Dicondylia; Pterygota; Neoptera; Holometabola; Diptera; Brachycera; Muscomorpha; Eremoneura; Cyclorrhapha; Schizophora; Acalyptera; Ephydroidea; Drosophilidae; Drosophilinae; Drosophilini; Drosophila; Sophophora; melanogaster group; ananassae subgroup; ercepeae species complex	Lineage	cellular organisms; Eukaryota; Opisthokonta; Metazoa; Eumetazoa; Bilateria; Protostomia; Ecdysozoa; Panarthropoda; Arthropoda; Mandibulata; Pancrustacea; Hexapoda; Insecta; Dicondylia; Pterygota; Neoptera; Holometabola; Diptera; Brachycera; Muscomorpha; Eremoneura; Cyclorrhapha; Schizophora; Acalyptera; Ephydroidea; Drosophilidae; Drosophilinae; Drosophilini; Drosophila; Sophophora; melanogaster group; ananassae subgroup; ercepeae species complex	Lineage
ercepeae species complex () - (Rank: no rank) (https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Taxonomy/Browser/wwwtax.cgi?id=300358)	Parent	ercepeae species complex () - (Rank: no rank) (https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Taxonomy/Browser/wwwtax.cgi?id=300358)	Parent
42063 (https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Taxonomy/Browser/wwwtax.cgi?id=42063)	NCBI Taxonomy ID	300357 (https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Taxonomy/Browser/wwwtax.cgi?id=300357)	NCBI Taxonomy ID
No	is Taxon A an Intraspecies?	No	is Taxon B an Intraspecies?

GENOTYPIC CHANGE

e	Generic Gene Name	UniProtKB Drosophila melanogaster
ebony; CG3331	Synonyms	O76858 (http://www.uniprot.org/uniprot/O76858)
-	String	0
-	Sequence Similarities	
GO:0000036 : acyl carrier activity (https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0000036)	GO - Molecular Function	
GO:0003833 : beta-alanyl-dopamine synthase activity (https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0003833)		
GO:0031177 : phosphopantetheine binding (https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0031177)		
GO:0048085 : adult chitin-containing cuticle pigmentation	GO - Biological Process	

(<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0048085>)
 GO:0042417 : dopamine metabolic process
 (<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0042417>)
 GO:0007623 : circadian rhythm (<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0007623>)
 GO:0048082 : regulation of adult chitin-containing cuticle pigmentation
 (<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0048082>)
 GO:0048066 : developmental pigmentation
 (<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0048066>)
 GO:0043042 : amino acid adenylation by nonribosomal peptide synthase
 (<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0043042>)
 GO:0007593 : chitin-based cuticle sclerotization
 (<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0007593>)
 GO:0048067 : cuticle pigmentation (<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0048067>)
 GO:0001692 : histamine metabolic process
 (<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0001692>)
 GO:0045475 : locomotor rhythm (<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0045475>)
 GO:0006583 : melanin biosynthetic process from tyrosine
 (<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0006583>)
 GO:0048022 : negative regulation of melanin biosynthetic process
 (<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0048022>)
 GO:0042440 : pigment metabolic process
 (<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0042440>)

GO - Cellular Component

GO:0005737 : cytoplasm (<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/QuickGO/term/GO:0005737>)

Presumptive Null

No (<https://www.gephebase.org/search-criteria?/and+Presumptive Null=^No^#gephebase-summary-title>)

Molecular Type

Unknown (<https://www.gephebase.org/search-criteria?/and+Molecular Type=^Unknown^#gephebase-summary-title>)

Aberration Type

Unknown (<https://www.gephebase.org/search-criteria?/and+Aberration Type=^Unknown^#gephebase-summary-title>)

Molecular Details of the Mutation

unknown

Experimental Evidence

Linkage Mapping (<https://www.gephebase.org/search-criteria?/and+Experimental Evidence=^Linkage Mapping^#gephebase-summary-title>)

Main Reference

Genetic Convergence in the Evolution of Male-Specific Color Patterns in *Drosophila*. (2016) (<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/27546578>)

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Abstract

Convergent evolution provides a type of natural replication that can be exploited to understand the roles of contingency and constraint in the evolution of phenotypes and the gene networks that control their development. For sex-specific traits, convergence offers the additional opportunity for testing whether the same gene networks follow different evolutionary trends in males versus females. Here, we use an unbiased, systematic mapping approach to compare the genetic basis of evolutionary changes in male-limited pigmentation in several pairs of *Drosophila* species that represent independent evolutionary transitions. We find strong evidence for repeated recruitment of the same genes to specify similar pigmentation in different species. At one of these genes, *ebony*, we observe convergent evolution of sexually dimorphic and monomorphic expression through cis-regulatory changes. However, this functional convergence has a different molecular basis in different species, reflecting both parallel fixation of ancestral alleles and independent origin of distinct mutations with similar functional consequences. Our results show that a strong evolutionary constraint at the gene level is compatible with a dominant role of chance at the molecular level.

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Additional References

RELATED GEPHE

Related Genes

2 (Abdominal-B, yellow) (<https://www.gephebase.org/search-criteria?/or+Taxon ID=^42063^/and+Trait=Coloration/or+Taxon ID=^300357^/and+Trait=Coloration/and+groupHaplotypes=true#gephebase-summary-title>)

Related Haplotypes

No matches found.

EXTERNAL LINKS

COMMENTS

@SexualTrait - A large QTL on 3R (3R1) including *ebony*; *ebony* is not expressed in segments that are completely black in darker species while it is expressed in a wider pattern in light colored taxa. Involvement of *ebony* demonstrated by RNAi experiments but no sufficient number of hybrids for evidence of cis-regulatory differences.

