

# Complete chloroplast genome sequence of pineapple (*Ananas comosus*)

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**Abstract** Since chloroplasts are maternally inherited and have unique features in evolution, their genome sequences have been broadly used in phylogenetic studies of plants. Here, we assembled the chloroplast genome sequence of cultivated pineapple (*Ananas comosus* (L.) Merr.) that is the most economically significant plant in the Bromeliaceae using next-generation sequencers. The genome length was 159,636 bp and included a pair of inverted repeats of 26,774 bp separated by a small single-copy region of 18,622 bp and a large single-copy region of 87,466 bp. The genome contained 113 unique genes (79 protein-coding, 4 rRNA, and 30 tRNA genes), 19 of which were duplicated in the inverted repeats, giving a total of 132 genes. We identified a total of 65 simple sequence repeats of >10 bp in length. Phylogenetic tree identified *Ananas* as a basal member of the Poales, closer to *Musa* (Musaceae, Zingiberales) than to species of the Poaceae. The genes, indels, and simple sequence repeats identified in this study will provide tools for use in evolutionary studies at both intra- and interspecific levels.

**Keywords** *Ananas comosus* · Chloroplast DNA · Complete sequences · Phylogeny

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## Introduction

The monocot order Poales comprises 16 families and approximately 18,000 species. Relationships among families are generally well resolved and supported (Guisinger et al. 2010). The largest family within the Poales, the Poaceae, has provided the basis for many studies, including complete chloroplast genome sequencing, owing to its ecological, economic, and evolutionary importance (Guisinger et al. 2010).

Cultivated pineapple (*Ananas comosus* (L.) Merr.) belongs to the family Bromeliaceae in the Poales. Pineapple is the third most important tropical fruit in world production after banana and citrus (Rohrbach et al. 2002). It has been cultivated for more than 500 years in the Americas. Domesticated pineapple was already widely distributed in the Americas and the Caribbean prior to the arrival of Columbus on 1493 (Rohrbach et al. 2002). Pineapple has the crassulacean acid metabolism (CAM) photosynthetic pathway (Malézieux et al. 2002). CAM plants conserve water by conducting most of their gas exchange in the relatively cool atmosphere at night, and CAM plants can grow in strongly water-limited semidesert habitats (West-Eberhard et al. 2011). Such strong drought tolerance also enables months-long storage of vegetative propagules of pineapple (Hepton 2002). Strong drought tolerance itself and ease of transport due to long-life vegetative propagules facilitated its wide diffusion throughout the tropics. *Ananas* includes two major species, *A. macrodontes* and *A. comosus*. The latter has five botanical varieties: *A. comosus* var. *bracteatus*, var. *parguazensis*, var. *comosus*, var. *ananassoides*, and var. *erectifolius* (Coppens d'Eeckenbrugge et al. 2002). Only var. *comosus* has edible cultivars. To clarify the phylogeny of *Ananas*, analyses of morphological characters and DNA markers have been performed (Coppens d'Eeckenbrugge et al. 1997; Duval et al. 2001,

2003; Paz et al. 2005, 2012; Hamdan et al. 2013). Mexican and Cuban pineapples were characterized by using an amplified-fragment-length polymorphism method (Paz et al. 2005, 2012). Phylogenetic analysis of Malaysian cultivars was performed using the chloroplast-encoded *rbcL* sequence (Hamdan et al. 2013). Both restriction-fragment-length polymorphism markers and chloroplast genotypes were used to study genetic diversity in *Ananas* (Duval et al. 2001, 2003). So far, however, few chloroplast-derived markers have been used to study evolutionary relationships of *Ananas* (Hamdan et al. 2013).

In this study, we determined the complete nucleotide sequence of the chloroplast genome of *A. comosus* var. *comosus*, using next-generation sequencers. We compared it with other sequenced chloroplast genomes and discuss structural differences in the form of indels and microsatellites.

## Materials and methods

### Plant materials and DNA extraction

The pineapple cultivar ‘N67-10’ grown at Nago Branch of Okinawa Prefectural Agricultural Research Center (Nago, Okinawa, Japan) was used. Unexpanded young leaves in the crown were collected and applied for DNA extraction. Total DNA was extracted with a DNeasy Plant Mini Kit (Qiagen, Hilden, Germany) according to the manufacturer’s instructions.

### DNA sequencing

For the 454 GS FLX+ genome sequencer (Roche Diagnostics, Basel, Switzerland), the total genomic DNA of ‘N67-10’ was sheared by nebulization (600–900 bp in length). A rapid library was prepared with a GS FLX Titanium Rapid Library Preparation Kit (Roche) using the sheared DNA fragments. Then, a library was clonally amplified with emulsion PCR with GS FLX Titanium LV emPCR kit (Roche). Purified beads with an amplified library were applied to DNA sequencing by the 454 GS FLX+ genome sequencer. Two runs of single-read pyrosequencing were performed. For the HiSeq 2500 sequencer (Illumina, San Diego, CA, USA), the total genomic DNA of ‘N67-10’ was fragmented to 350 bp using a Covaris M220 (Covaris, Woburn, MA) and a paired-end library was prepared with a TruSeq DNA LT Sample Prep Kit (Illumina). A library was sequenced by the HiSeq2500. The paired-end read length was 100 bp. All experiments were performed according to the manufacturer’s instructions.

### De novo assembly of 454 GS FLX+ data

The 454 GS FLX+ sequence reads were assembled in the CLC Genomics Workbench 7.0 de novo assembly program (Qiagen). We sorted the assembled contiguous sequences (contigs) by depth of coverage to distinguish the chloroplast genome (>50×) from the mitochondrial and nuclear genomes (<50×). We confirmed the high-coverage (>50×) contigs as chloroplast genome by BLAST search against the nucleotide collection database (nr/nt) of the National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI, <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/>). In addition, we confirmed that the *Typha latifolia* chloroplast genome (GI: 289065068) showed the highest similarity to that of pineapple among the registered chloroplast genomes. We mapped the >50× contig sequences against the *T. latifolia* sequence by BLASTN. Fourteen contigs were mapped on the *T. latifolia* chloroplast genome, and gaps were filled in with sequence reads with at least 50 bp of continuous perfect match from both ends.

### Read-mapping and correction of draft genome sequences

After the circular draft genome was assembled, we mapped the Illumina reads to it in CLC Genomic Workbench software to find and correct ambiguous nucleotides. The HiSeq 2500 reads used the mapping parameters length fraction=1.00 and similarity fraction=1.00. Low-coverage sites were assumed to be errors, and these misassembled sites were manually corrected against HiSeq 2500 sequence reads. After all of the ambiguous nucleotides were corrected, encoded genes were annotated by using DOGMA (Dual Organellar GenoMe Annotator, <http://dogma.cccb.utexas.edu>; Wyman et al. 2004). The circular map of the chloroplast genome was drawn by the GenomeVx program (Conant and Wolfe 2008).

### Comparative analysis of organelle genomes

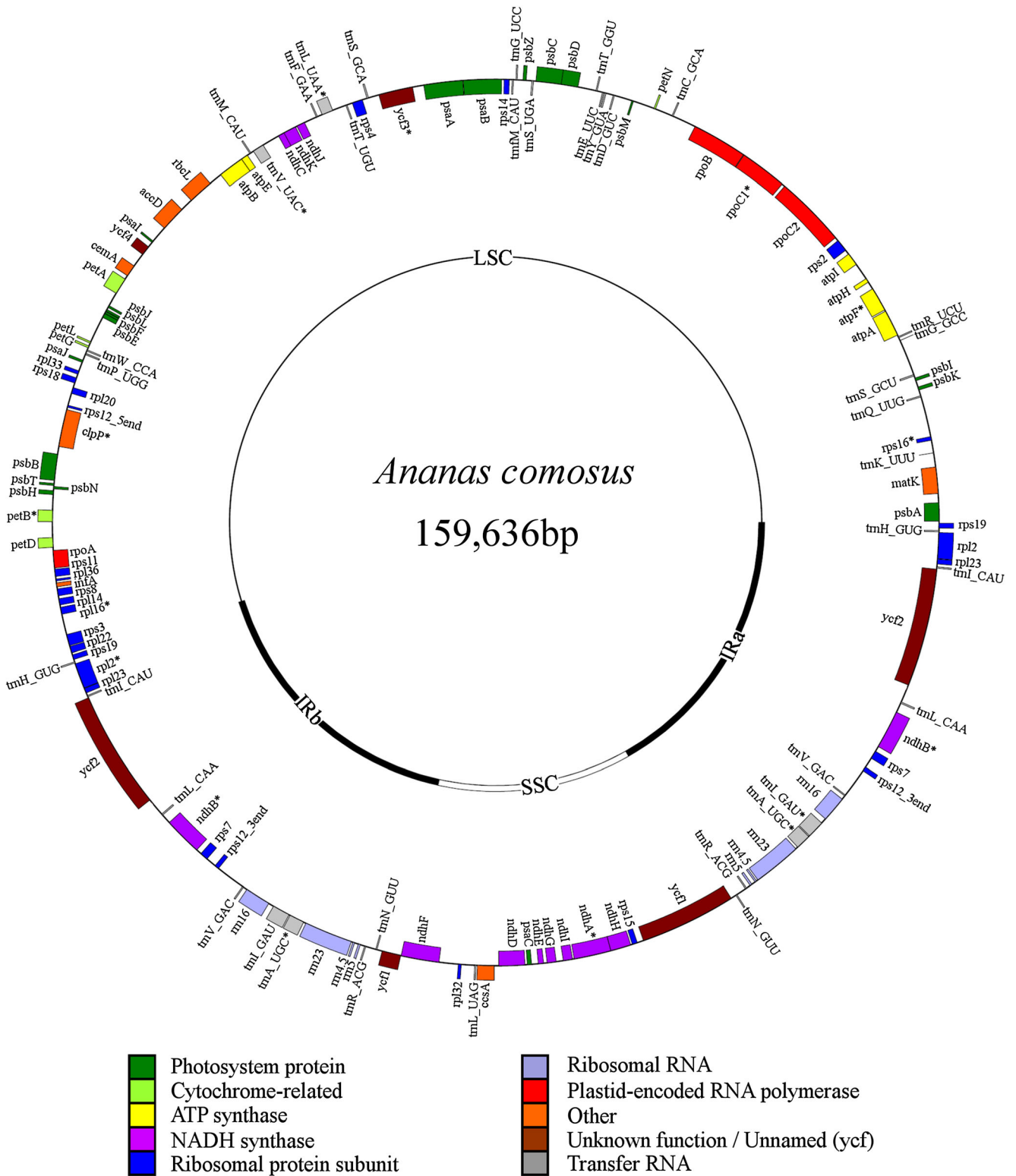
The chloroplast genome sequences of *T. latifolia* and *Musa acuminata* (GI: 525312436) were compared with that of *A. comosus*. Dot-plot analysis in PipMaker software (Schwartz et al. 2000) used default settings. The lengths of indels were assessed by creating alignments of complete chloroplast genome sequences in CLC Genomics Workbench.

### Phylogenetic analyses

Phylogenetic analyses were performed on an aligned data matrix of 62 angiosperm taxa and 76 protein-coding genes (*atpA*, *atpB*, *atpE*, *atpF*, *atpH*, *atpI*, *ccsA*, *cemA*, *clpP*, *infA*, *matK*, *ndhA*, *ndhB*, *ndhC*, *ndhD*, *ndhE*, *ndhF*, *ndhG*, *ndhH*, *ndhI*, *ndhJ*, *ndhK*, *petA*, *petB*, *petD*, *petG*, *petL*, *petN*, *psaA*, *psaB*, *psaC*, *psal*, *psaJ*, *psbA*, *psbB*, *psbC*, *psbD*, *psbE*, *psbF*, *psbH*, *psbI*, *psbJ*, *psbK*, *psbL*, *psbM*, *psbN*, *psbT*, *psbZ*, *rbcL*, *rpl14*,

*rpl16, rpl2, rpl20, rpl22, rpl23, rpl32, rpl33, rpl36, rpoA, rpoB, rpoC1, rpoC2, rps11, rps12, rps14, rps15, rps16, rps18, rps19, rps2, rps3, rps4, rps7, rps8, ycf3, ycf4.*

Amino acid sequences were aligned by using the Multiple Sequence Web Viewer and Alignment Tool (<http://mswat.cccb.utexas.edu>), manually adjusted, and then manually



**Fig. 1** Gene map of the *Ananas comosus* chloroplast genome. The *thick line* indicates the inverted repeats (IRa and IRb), which separate the genome into small single-copy (SSC) and large single-copy (LSC)

regions. Genes on the outside of the map are transcribed in the *clockwise direction* and genes on the inside in the *counterclockwise direction*. Genes containing introns are marked with an *asterisk*

concatenated. The best-scoring maximum likelihood tree was constructed from the sequences in RAxML ver. 8.0.19 software with the PROTCATWAG model (Stamatakis 2014). The

likelihood bootstrap probability of each branch was calculated in the “rapid bootstrap” algorithm of RAxML using 1000 replicates.

**Table 1** Genes in the chloroplast DNA of *Ananas comosus*

Ribosomal RNAs					
<i>rrn16</i>	<i>rrn23</i>	<i>rrn4.5</i>	<i>rrn5</i>		
Transfer RNAs					
<i>trnA_UGC</i>	<i>trnC_GCA</i>	<i>trnD_GUC</i>	<i>trnE_UUC</i>	<i>trnF_GAA</i>	<i>trnG_GCC</i>
<i>trnG_UCC</i>	<i>trnH_GUG</i>	<i>trnI_CAU</i>	<i>trnI_GAU</i>	<i>trnK_UUU</i>	<i>trnL_CAA</i>
<i>trnL_UAA</i>	<i>trnL_UAG</i>	<i>trnM_CAU</i>	<i>trnM_CAU</i>	<i>trnN_GUU</i>	<i>trnP_UGG</i>
<i>trnQ_UUG</i>	<i>trnR_ACG</i>	<i>trnR_UCU</i>	<i>trnS_GCU</i>	<i>trnS_GGA</i>	<i>trnS_UGA</i>
<i>trnT_GGU</i>	<i>trnT_UGU</i>	<i>trnV_GAC</i>	<i>trnV_UAC</i>	<i>trnW_CCA</i>	<i>trnY_GUA</i>
Proteins of small ribosomal subunit					
<i>rps2</i>	<i>rps3</i>	<i>rps4</i>	<i>rps7</i>	<i>rps8</i>	<i>rps11</i>
<i>rps12</i>	<i>rps14</i>	<i>rps15</i>	<i>rps16</i>	<i>rps18</i>	<i>rps19</i>
Proteins of large ribosomal subunit					
<i>rpl2</i>	<i>rpl14</i>	<i>rpl16</i>	<i>rpl20</i>	<i>rpl22</i>	<i>rpl23</i>
<i>rpl32</i>	<i>rpl33</i>	<i>rpl36</i>			
Subunits of RNA polymerase					
<i>rpoA</i>	<i>rpoB</i>	<i>rpoC1</i>	<i>rpoC2</i>		
Subunits of NADH dehydrogenase					
<i>ndhA</i>	<i>ndhB</i>	<i>ndhC</i>	<i>ndhD</i>	<i>ndhE</i>	<i>ndhF</i>
<i>ndhG</i>	<i>ndhH</i>	<i>ndhI</i>	<i>ndhJ</i>	<i>ndhK</i>	
Subunits of photosystem I					
<i>psaA</i>	<i>psaB</i>	<i>psaC</i>	<i>psaI</i>	<i>psaJ</i>	
Subunits of photosystem II					
<i>psbA</i>	<i>psbB</i>	<i>psbC</i>	<i>psbD</i>	<i>psbE</i>	<i>psbF</i>
<i>psbH</i>	<i>psbI</i>	<i>psbJ</i>	<i>psbK</i>	<i>psbL</i>	<i>psbM</i>
<i>psbN</i>	<i>psbT</i>	<i>psbZ</i>			
Large subunit of rubisco					
<i>rbcL</i>					
Subunits of cytochrome b/f complex					
<i>petA</i>	<i>petB</i>	<i>petD</i>	<i>petG</i>	<i>petL</i>	<i>petN</i>
Subunits of ATP synthase					
<i>atpA</i>	<i>atpB</i>	<i>atpE</i>	<i>atpF</i>	<i>atpH</i>	<i>atpI</i>
Acetyl-CoA carboxylase					
<i>accD</i>					
Cytochrome c biogenesis					
<i>ccsA</i>					
Maturase					
<i>matK</i>					
Protease					
<i>clpP</i>					
Envelope membrane protein					
<i>cemA</i>					
Conserved hypothetical chloroplast reading frames					
<i>ycf1</i>	<i>ycf2</i>	<i>ycf3</i>	<i>ycf4</i>		
Pseudogenes					
<i>infA</i>					

## Simple sequence repeats

Simple sequence repeats (SSRs) were searched for by using the microsatellite search tool MISA (<http://pgrc.ipk-gatersleben.de/misa/misa.html>).

## Results

### Genome assembly and validation

Sequencing on the 454 GS FLX+ system generated a total of 1,340,605 reads with an average length of 568 bases that covered 761 Mb. After cleaning and trimming, the remaining reads (1,163,292 reads with an average length of 466 bases) were assembled. Fourteen generated contigs were mapped on the *Typha* chloroplast genome, and gaps were filled with sequence reads. Mapping the HiSeq 2500 reads onto the resultant supercontig and treating low-coverage sites as sequence errors detected 85 errors, which were corrected.

### Size and gene content of the *Ananas* chloroplast genome

The total length of the constructed *Ananas* chloroplast genome was 159,636 bp and included a large single-copy (LSC) region of 87,466 bp, a small single-copy

(SSC) region of 18,622 bp, and a pair of inverted repeats (IRa and IRb) of 26,774 bp each (Fig. 1). The genome contained 113 unique genes, 19 of which were duplicated in the IRs, giving a total of 132 genes (Table 1). Among 4 rRNA and 30 tRNA genes identified, all 4 rRNA and 8 tRNA genes were duplicated in the IR. The tRNA genes were identical to those of well characterized vascular plants. The genome consisted of 59.80 % coding regions and 40.20 % noncoding regions, including both intergenic spacers and introns. It had a GC content of 37.37 % and an AT content of 62.63 %.

### Simple sequence repeats

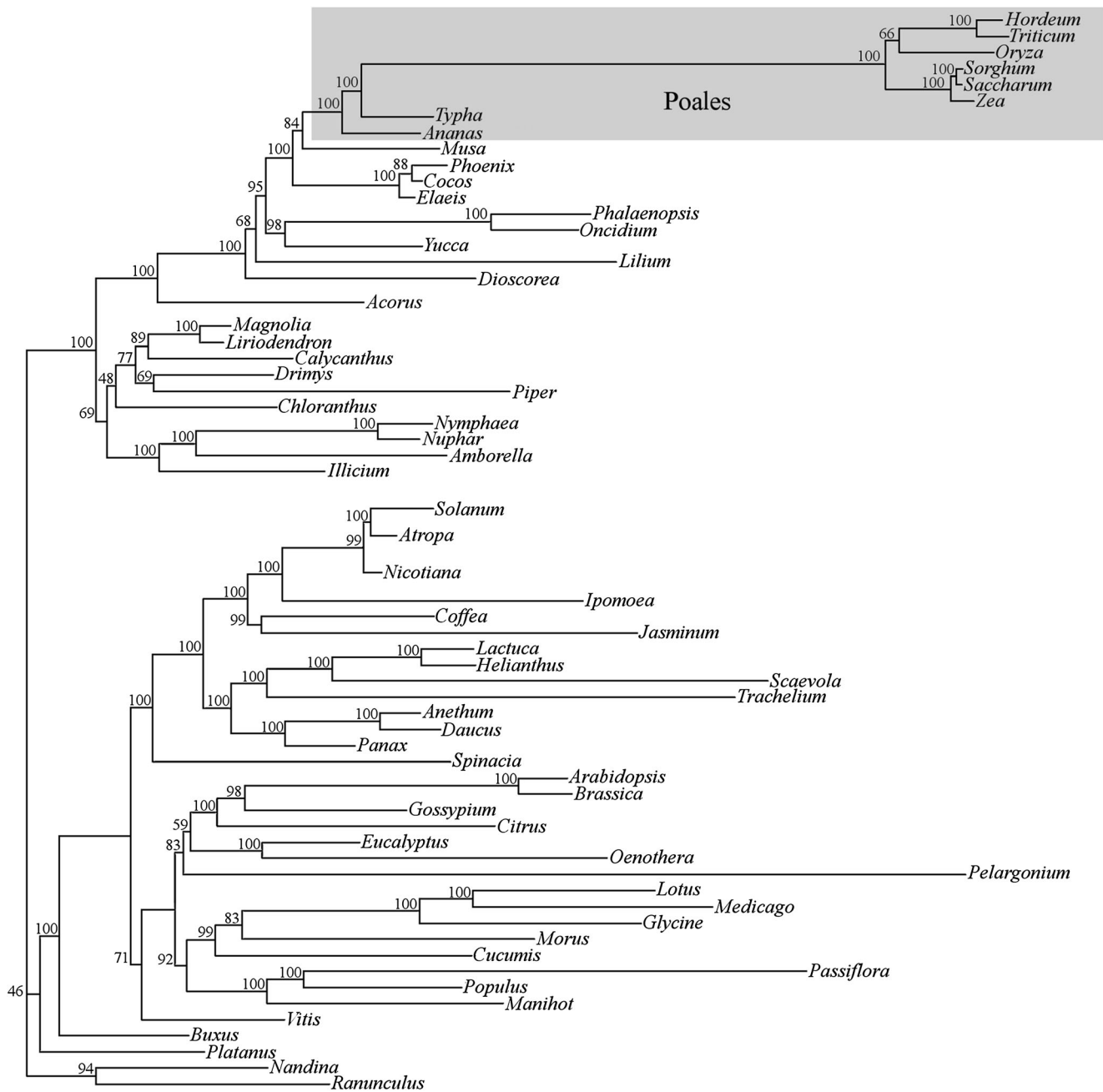
We identified 65 SSR regions with  $\geq 10$  repeated nucleotides (Table 2): 9 with dinucleotide repeat motifs of AT or TA, 23 A stretches (10–17 bases), and 33 T stretches (10–16 bases), but no C or G stretches. Of the 65 SSR regions, 46 were in intergenic spacers, 12 within introns, and 7 in gene-coding regions.

### Phylogenetic analysis

Phylogenetic analyses were performed on an aligned data matrix of 62 angiosperm taxa and 76 protein-coding genes with a total length of 20,038 amino acids aligned. Bootstrap analysis indicated that 41 out of the 57 nodes were significantly

**Table 2** Distribution of simple sequence repeat (SSR) loci in the *Ananas comosus* chloroplast genome

Type	Repeat	Start position							
2-SSR	(AT)11	68,203							
	(AT)8	8994							
	(AT)6	15,297							
	(AT)5	9499	21,126	117,350					
	(TA)6	15,331	48,419	86,977					
	1-SSR	(A)17	125,746						
(A)14		28,548	47,533	69,110	116,972				
(A)13		35,026	49,156	84,611	116,583				
(A)12		8288	59,671						
(A)11		31,338	33,416	48,824	68,099	74,581	128,014		
(A)10		29,083	34,013	78,816	124,983	125,256	131,686		
(T)16		69,740							
(T)14		86,100							
(T)13		83,234	86,227	86,989					
(T)12		15,623	53,762	57,107	85,910	123,306	125,179		
(T)11			33,858	52,523	62,015	66,358	73,890	74,912	
			84,091	84,103	117,910				
(T)10			10,099	13,257	16,680	19,647	19,754	23,867	
			44,665	45,427	48,284	74,160	74,622	77,440	
			131,180						



**Fig. 2** Phylogenetic tree inferred by RAxML using nucleotide sequences of 76 protein-coding genes shared between 62 angiosperm chloroplast genomes. Numbers above nodes indicate bootstrap values

supported ( $\geq 95\%$ ; Fig. 2). The results were in good accordance with previously reported relationships among the major groups of vascular plants (Jansen et al. 2007). The analysis suggests that *Ananas* (Poales) shows a close phylogenetic relationship to *Typha* (Poales) and *Musa* (Zingiberales).

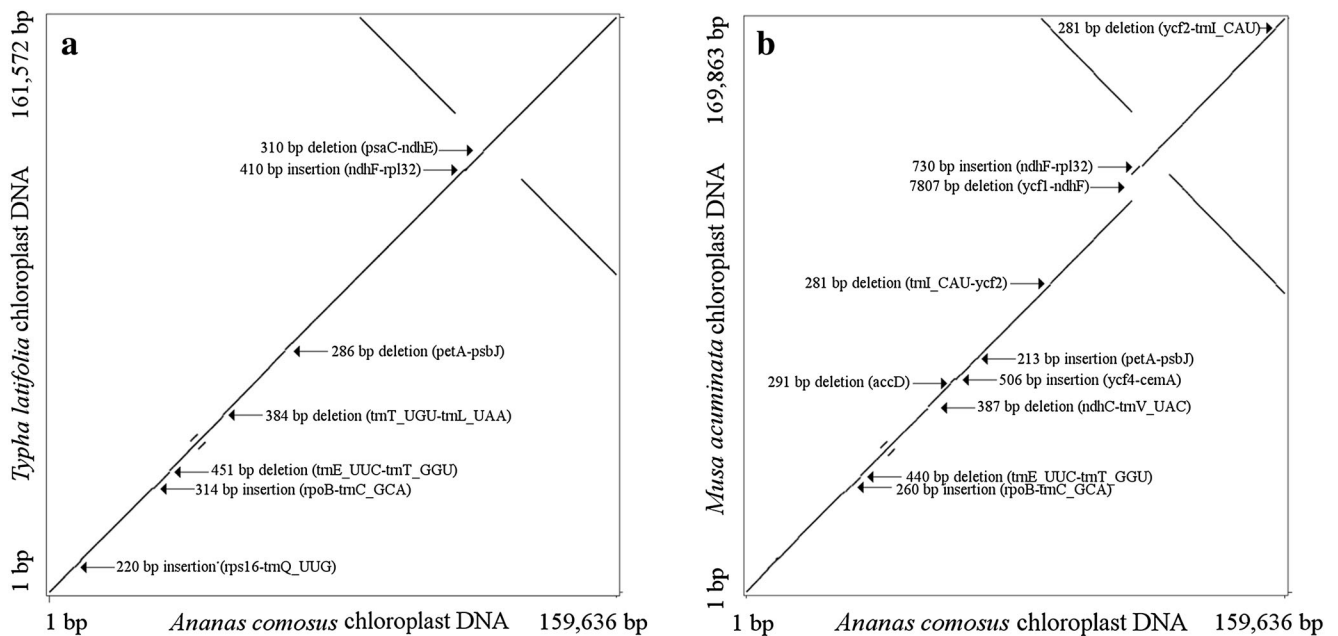
#### Comparison of the *Ananas* chloroplast genome with those of *Typha* and *Musa*

Dot-plot analysis showed similar gene order and organization in *Ananas* and *Typha* (Fig. 3a). It revealed three insertions and

four deletions of  $>200$  bp in *Ananas* (shown as breakpoints in Fig. 3a), all in intergenic spacer regions. Coding regions had only two deletions of  $>10$  bp: 15 bp in *accD* and 24 bp in *ycf2* (Table 3). No missense indels between *Typha* and *Ananas* were found.

Compared with *Musa*, however, there were four insertions and six deletions of  $>200$  bp in *Ananas* (Fig. 3b). Three common indels in *Ananas* differed from those in *Typha* and *Musa*: insertions in *rpoB-trnC\_GCA* and *ndhF-rpl32* and a deletion in *trnE\_UUC-trnT\_GGU*. A large deletion of 7807 bp in the *Ananas-Musa* dot-plot





**Fig. 3** a, b Dot-plots. **a** *Ananas comosus* versus *Typha latifolia*. **b** *A. comosus* versus *Musa acuminata*. Dot-plots show indels of >200 bp in *Ananas* compared with *Typha* or *Musa*

shows as a large disconnection (Fig. 3b). Coding regions had 30 indels of >10 bp (Table 3). Two 5-bp missense indels were found in *rpl16* and *rps19* (Table 3). The 5-bp insertion in *rpl16* at positions 6–10 from the 3' end of the coding sequence in *Ananas* created a termination signal (TAG) 8 bp earlier than in *Musa* (Fig. 4). The 5-bp deletion in *rps19* of *Ananas* corresponding to positions 2–6 in *Musa* changed the initiation codon (ATG) to GTG in *Ananas* (Fig. 5).

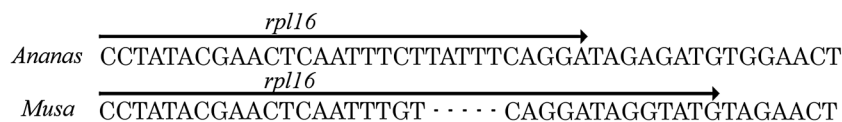
Figure 6 shows details of IR–SC border positions with respect to adjacent genes in *Ananas*, *Typha*, and *Musa*. Lengths of LSC, IR, and SSC were similar in *Ananas*

and *Typha*. On the other hand, whereas lengths of LSC were similar in *Ananas* and *Musa*, IR of *Ananas* was 8659 bp shorter and SSC of *Ananas* was 7854 bp longer than those of *Musa* (Fig. 6). In *Ananas*, the IRa/SSC border occurred in the 3' region of *ycf1* and created a *ycf1* pseudogene of 1089 bp. *Typha* showed a similar structure. In *Musa*, the IRa/SSC border occurred in the 3' region of *ndhA* and created an *ndhA* pseudogene. In *Ananas*, *Typha*, and *Musa*, the IRa/LSC border occurred downstream of the noncoding region of *psbA*, and the IRb/LSC border occurred upstream of the noncoding region of *rpl22*.

**Table 3** Indels within coding regions

Missense mutation		
From <i>Typha</i>	<i>accD</i>	(–15)
	<i>ycf2</i>	(–24)
From <i>Musa</i>	<i>atpA</i>	–21
	<i>rpoC2</i>	(+20)
	<i>accD</i>	(–21, –21, –291)
	<i>ycf2</i>	(–15, +24, –12, –24, –12, –21, –21, –18, –21, –30, –30, –18)
	<i>ycf15</i>	(–5)
	<i>ycf1</i>	(–69, –129, +57, –18, –87, –48, +33, –48, –21, –24, –27)
	<i>ccsA</i>	(–24)
Missense mutation		
From <i>Musa</i>	<i>rpl16</i>	(+5)
	<i>rps19</i>	(–5)

–, deletion; +, insertion in *Ananas comosus*



**Fig. 4** Missense insertion in *Ananas* compared with *Musa* in the 3' end region of *rpl16*. Arrows indicate *rpl16* coding region. Insertion of 5 bp in *Ananas* caused a 8-bp shortening of the 3' end of the coding sequence

## Discussion

We determined the complete nucleotide sequence of the *Ananas* chloroplast genome using only next-generation sequencers instead of Sanger sequencing method. Since no perfect assembler program has been created so far, de novo assembly always generates misassembled contigs, and thus assembled contigs must be checked by read-mapping and be scanned for any gaps of lower coverage (Naito et al. 2013). Most of the errors corrected by the HiSeq 2500 sequencing were homopolymer stretches (data not shown), which are likely when the 454 GS FLX system is used (Gilles et al. 2011).

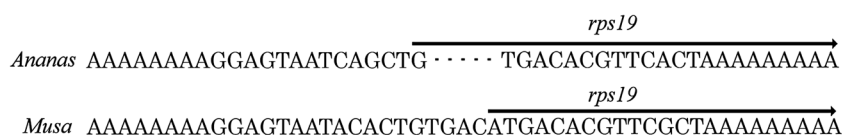
We identified 65 SSRs in the *Ananas* chloroplast genome. To date, chloroplast SSRs have been detected in *Pinus radiata* (Cato and Richardson 1996; Powell et al. 1995), *Oryza sativa* (Ishii et al. 2001), *Panax ginseng* (Kim and Lee 2004), *Cucumis sativus* (Kim et al. 2006), *Vigna radiata* (Tangphatsornruang et al. 2010), and *Pyrus pyrifolia* (Terakami et al. 2012). These SSRs can be useful in evolutionary studies because of their variability at the inter- and intrapopulation levels. We could not indicate phylogenetic data of *Ananas* for validation of SSRs here. Future research will need to focus on the validity of SSRs to phylogenetic and ecological studies of *Ananas*.

There has been a rapid increase in the number of studies using DNA sequences from completely sequenced chloroplast genomes for estimating phylogenetic relationships among angiosperms (Goremykin et al. 2005; Leebens-Mack et al. 2005; Bausher et al. 2006; Jansen et al. 2006, 2007; Ravi et al. 2006; Ruhlman et al. 2006). Our phylogenetic tree indicates a close relationship between *Ananas* and *Typha* with high bootstrap support (100 %). The phylogenetic tree identified *Ananas* as a basal member of the Poales, closer to *Musa* than to species of the Poaceae. These results are in

good accordance with data revealed by phylogenetic methods based on the *rbcL* sequence (Bremer 2000).

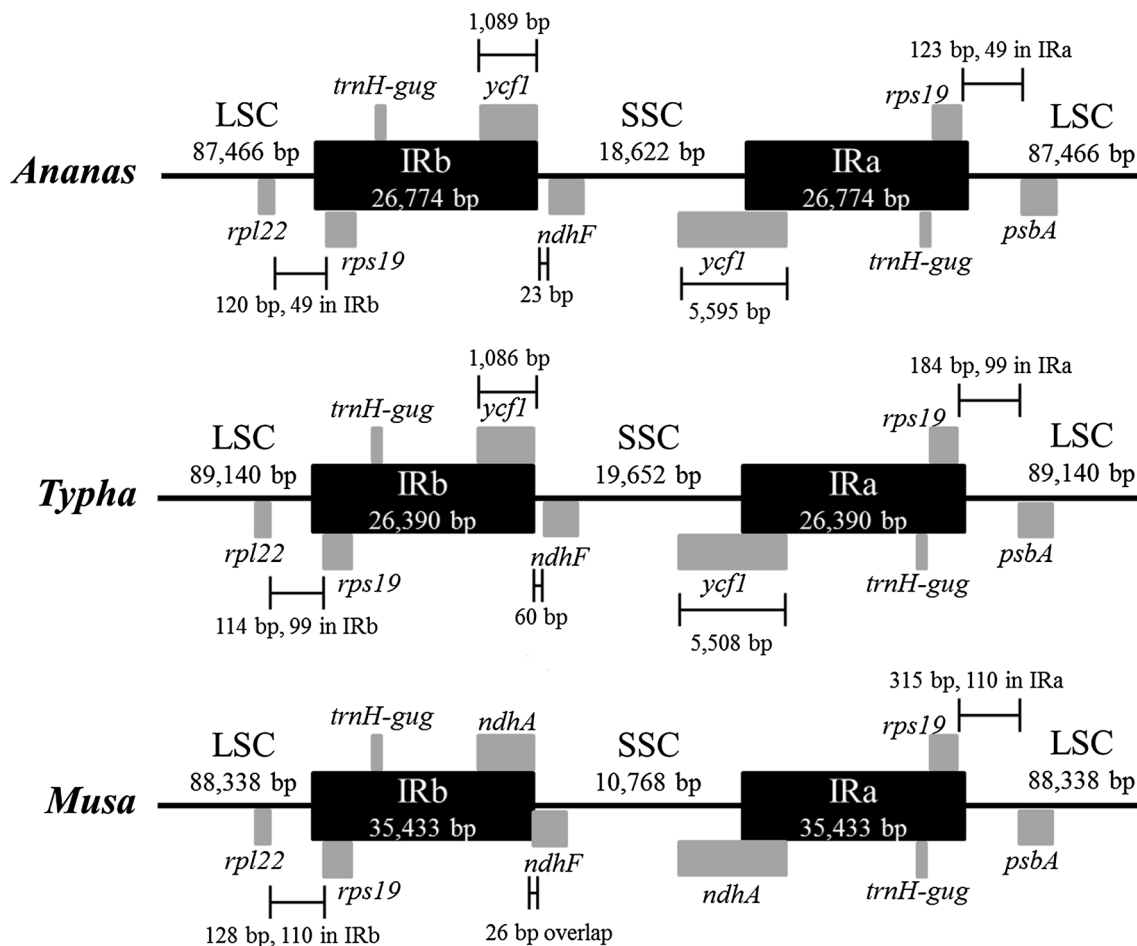
The *Ananas* chloroplast genome structure is similar to that of *Typha*. Within the Poales, members of the Poaceae have a smaller chloroplast genome size, with several alterations such as large inversions in the LSC and indels, than that of *Typha* (Katayama and Ogiwara 1996; Guisinger et al. 2010). The similar LSC, SSC, and IR sizes of *Ananas* to those of *Typha* and the absence of an inversion in the LSC of *Ananas* strongly indicate that *Ananas* and *Typha* are closely related among the Poales and are phylogenetically far from the Poaceae. On the other hand, the chloroplast genomes of *Ananas* and *Musa* show many structural differences. That of *Ananas* has an 8659-bp shorter IR and a 7854-bp longer SSC than that of *Musa* and is 10 kb smaller overall than that of *Musa*. Martin et al. (2013) suggested that the expansion of IRa to the SSC junction resulted in the incorporation of *ycf1*, *rps15*, *ndhH*, and *ndhA* in IRa of *Musa*. An idea that occurrence of deletion of IRb and the change of IRa to SSC in *Ananas* and *Typha* was not supported because such extreme IR expansion was not observed in other species and might have occurred independently only in the Musaceae (Martin et al. 2013).

Most indels of >200 bp between *Ananas* and *Typha* or *Musa* were located in intergenic spacer regions. Insertions in *rpoB-trnC\_GCA* and *ndhF-rpl32* and a deletion in *trnE\_UUC-trnT\_GGU* in *Ananas* appeared in both comparisons. Therefore, these large indels seem to be specific to *Ananas*. A large (291-bp) deletion from *Musa* occurred in the coding region of *accD*. The *accD* protein in most monocots is around 500 amino acids, for example, 491 in *Phoenix* (GenBank ID: ADF28155.1) and *Cocos* (AGS43475.1), 482 in *Oncidium* (ACT83118.1), and 489 in *Lilium* (AGQ55767.1). The *Ananas accD* comprised 488 amino acids, whereas the *Musa accD*



**Fig. 5** Missense deletion in *Ananas* compared with *Musa* in the 5' end region of *rps19*. Arrows indicate *rps19* coding region. Initiation codon is GTG in *Ananas* but ATG in *Musa*





**Fig. 6** Detailed view of the inverted repeat—single-copy (IR/SC) border regions among three chloroplast genomes. Annotated genes or portions of genes are indicated by gray boxes above or below the genome

comprised 599 (CCW72384.1). Thus, the length of the *Ananas* accD is consistent with that in other monocots, but the *Musa* accD is much longer, suggesting a *Musa*-specific DNA insertion. Indels in coding regions between *Ananas* and *Musa* occurred especially frequently in *ycf1* and *ycf2* (Table 3). *ycf1* and *ycf2* show a wide range of length variation among species and are absent in the Poaceae (Asano et al. 2004; Chang et al. 2006; Hiratsuka et al. 1989; Leebens-Mack et al. 2005; Maier et al. 1995; Ogihara et al. 2000). These results suggest that alterations to *ycf1* and *ycf2* are nonfatal, and that indels occur comparatively easily in *ycf1* and *ycf2*. Missense indels in *rpl16* and *rps19* were found in *Ananas*. The insertion in the 3' end of the *rpl16* coding sequence seemed not to influence the protein function because the region is not conserved region among species. The deletion in *rps19* changed the initiation codon, ATG, to GTG in *Ananas*. GTG occurs in *rps19* in various seed plant species (Raubeson et al. 2007), and among the monocot species used in the phylogenetic tree, only *Musa* has an ATG in *rps19* (Asano et al. 2004; Chang et al. 2006; Hiratsuka et al. 1989; Leebens-Mack et al. 2005;

Maier et al. 1995; Martin et al. 2013; Ogihara et al. 2000). Therefore, this alteration was not critical to protein function either.

The complete chloroplast nucleotide sequence of *Ananas* and the structural and sequence differences between *Ananas* and other species that we present here will contribute to ecological and evolutionary studies.

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### Data Archiving Statement

*Ananas comosus* chloroplast DNA complete sequence is submitted to DDBJ; the accession number of the sequence is AP014632. All the sequence data (.fastq files) were deposited in the DDBJ Sequence Read Archive (accession: DRA002476).