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# New complete mitogenome datasets and their characterization of the European catfish (*Silurus glanis*)



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## ABSTRACT

We present new complete mitogenome sequences of *Silurus glanis* (*S. glanis*) from 4 samples such as male and female individuals from two countries (Hungary, Czech Republic). The complete mitochondria were determined from genome sequencing by using Illumina MiSeq platform resulting in long, 300 bp. paired-end reads. De novo assembly was performed resulting in one nod (scaffold) covering the total mitochondria in each sample. The mitochondrial genomes were circular, double-stranded molecules of 16,524 bp in length and consisted of 13 protein-coding genes (PCGs), 2 ribosomal RNA genes, 22 transfer RNA genes, and 1 control region. These sequences were deposited in the NCBI GeneBank under the accession numbers (MW796040, MW796041, MW796042, MW796043) and compared with the only available *S. glanis* mitochondrial genome (NC\_014261.1) sequenced by unidentified technology and showed 99% similarity. We found in

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seq1 82, in seq2 82, seq3 83, seq4 82 nucleotide alterations involving 10 protein-coding genes and meaning 29 amino acid substitutions as well.

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**Specifications Table**

Subject	Genomics
Specific subject area	Mitogenomics
Type of data	Mitogenome sequence data in FASTA file format, tables, mitogenome map in figure format (.PNG)
How data were acquired	Illumina MiSeq platform
Data format	Raw and analyzed
Parameters for data collection	Genomic DNAs were extracted with Thermo Scientific™ GeneJET Genomic DNA Purification Kit from caudal fin. The DNA concentration and purity were checked by agarose gel electrophoresis and spectrophotometric quantification. Libraries were prepared using the Nextera XT DNA Sample Preparation Kit according to the manufacturer's protocol (Wagle, Berger et al. 2012). The samples were sequenced using MiSeq v2 (2 × 301 bp) chemistries (Illumina).
Description of data collection	Four <i>Silurus glanis</i> total gDNA samples were de novo sequenced and analyzed. Mitogenomes were reconstructed in silico in each sample. The circular mitochondrial genome map was drawn using Microsoft® Excel®. For sequence comparison, we used NCBI BLAST and Geneious 9.0.5.
Data source location	<i>Silurus glanis</i> samples were collected from Southern Hungary and Northern Czech Republic rivers.
Data accessibility	The mitogenome data is available in Genbank with the accession numbers: MW796040 ( <a href="https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/nucleotide/MW796040.1/">https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/nucleotide/MW796040.1/</a> ), MW796041 ( <a href="https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/nucleotide/MW796041.1/">https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/nucleotide/MW796041.1/</a> ), MW796042 ( <a href="https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/nucleotide/MW796042.1/">https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/nucleotide/MW796042.1/</a> ), MW796043 ( <a href="https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/nucleotide/MW796043.1/">https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/nucleotide/MW796043.1/</a> ). The raw reads are available in NCBI Sequence Read Archive with the accession numbers: SRR15503605 ( <a href="https://trace.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Traces/sra/?run=SRR15503605">https://trace.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Traces/sra/?run=SRR15503605</a> ), SRR15503606 ( <a href="https://trace.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Traces/sra/?run=SRR15503606">https://trace.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Traces/sra/?run=SRR15503606</a> ), SRR15503607 ( <a href="https://trace.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Traces/sra/?run=SRR15503607">https://trace.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Traces/sra/?run=SRR15503607</a> ), SRR15503608 ( <a href="https://trace.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Traces/sra/?run=SRR15503608">https://trace.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Traces/sra/?run=SRR15503608</a> ).

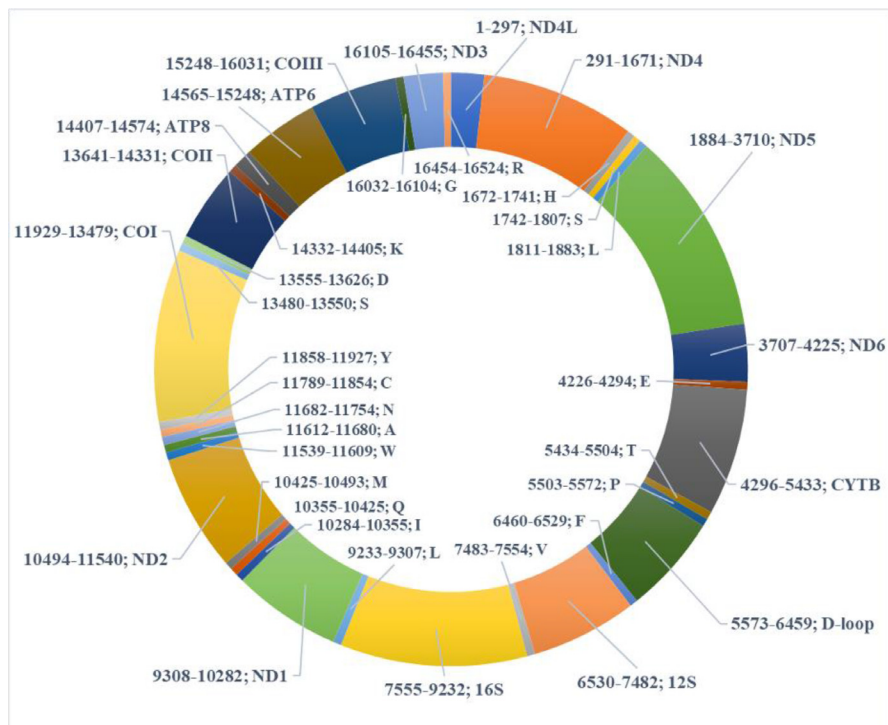
**Value of the Data**

- We provided 4 new whole mitochondrial genomes of the European catfish (*Silurus glanis*, *S. glanis*). Continued expansion of mitochondrial genome databases to include both a greater number of species and increased representation of populations from throughout their range will provide an improved basis for analysis.
- Our data will be useful for *S. glanis* species monitoring, phylogenetic, population, and evolutionary studies.
- Illumina long read has been chosen and applied for the NGS sequencing methodology. The sequencing using paired-end reads of 300bp were uniquely used for whole mitochondrial genome sequencing in the case of the species of the Teleostei group. Higher coverage of the nucleotide positions and proper quality values of the assemblies (see N50 values) resulted in a more accurate whole mitochondrial genome of our samples. These mitogenomes were suggested and provided as new reference sequences for further studies.

## 1. Data Description

*S. glanis* is the largest-bodied European freshwater fish, Inhabitant of Native in Eastern Europe and western Asia. This species is now extensively dispersed and introduced in several countries to the west and south of its endemic range. The *S. glanis* belongs to the family Siluridae, a group of freshwater fish indigenous to Europe, Asia, and Africa. There are 107 species from 12 genera in this family. Among the 18 *Silurus* species, two are native to Europe: wels catfish and Aristotle's catfish (*S. aristotelis*). European catfish is the largest-bodied fish of the order Siluriformes and can attain a maximum length of 500 cm, although it more commonly reaches 300 cm [1].

The circular mitogenomes of *S. glanis* (GeneBank accession numbers MW796040, MW796041, MW796042, MW796043) were 16,524 bp in length, in all 4 samples, which contained 37 genes (13 protein-coding, 22 tRNAs, 2 rRNAs) and one control region displacement loop (D-loop) (Fig. 1, Table 2, Supplementary 1.). The genes encoded by the mitogenome are characteristic to the vertebrate mitochondrial genome. The organization of the genes also tends to be conserved among vertebrates for 37 genes and the D-loop, which are arranged in the same order from hagfish to eutherian mammals [2–6]. Information for each individual is presented in Table 1. The representative complete mitogenome map in Fig. 1. The 4 mitochondria showed 99% similarity, twelve of 13 PCGs contained the typical ATG as a start codon, however, the gene COI started with GTG. Similar data were found by Vittas; Wu et al.; Zeng et al. [7–9]. 6 genes (nad5, nad4L, atp6, atp8, COI, nad1) of 13 PCGs ended in TAA for the stop codon. 3 genes ended in TAG (nad2, nad3, nad6). 4 genes (cytb, nad4, COII, COIII) ended in only a T residue. Such immature stop codon is completed via post-transcriptional polyadenylation [10].



**Fig. 1.** *S. glanis* mitochondrial genome. Genes for proteins and rRNAs are shown with standard abbreviations, outside of the circle. Genes for tRNAs are designated by a single letter for the corresponding amino acid, inside of the circle. Before the genes, it shows their position in seq4.

**Table 1**  
Reported mitogenome samples.

Sample ID	GeneBank accession number	Origin	Gender	GC%	AT%
seq1	MW796040	Czech Republic	female	44,86	5514
seq2	MW796041	Czech Republic	male	44,86	5514
seq3	MW796042	Czech Republic	female	44,86	5514
seq4	MW796043	Hungary	male	44,87	5513

**Table 2**  
Reference genome gene organization.

Gene/Element	Abbreviation	Position	Size(bp)	Startcodon	Stopcodon
NADH dehydrogenase subunit 4L	ND4L	1–297	297	ATG	TAA
NADH dehydrogenase subunit 4	ND4	291–1671	1381	ATG	T*
tRNA <sup>His</sup>	H	1672–1741	70		
tRNA <sup>Ser</sup>	S	1742–1807	66		
tRNA <sup>Leu</sup>	L	1811–1883	73		
NADH dehydrogenase subunit 5	ND5	1884–3710	1827	ATG	TAA
NADH dehydrogenase subunit 6	ND6	3707–4225	519	ATG	TAG
tRNA <sup>Glu</sup>	E	4226–4294	69		
cytochrome b	CYTB	4296–5433	1138	ATG	T*
tRNA <sup>Thr</sup>	T	5434–5504	71		
tRNA <sup>Pro</sup>	P	5503–5572	70		
control region	D-loop	5573–6459	887		
tRNA <sup>Phe</sup>	F	6460–6529	70		
12S ribosomal RNA	12S	6530–7482	953		
tRNA <sup>Val</sup>	V	7483–7554	72		
16S ribosomal RNA	16S	7555–9232	1678		
tRNA <sup>Leu</sup>	L	9233–9307	75		
NADH dehydrogenase subunit 1	ND1	9308–10282	975	ATG	TAA
tRNA <sup>Ile</sup>	I	10284–10355	72		
tRNA <sup>Gln</sup>	Q	10355–10425	71		
tRNA <sup>Met</sup>	M	10425–10493	69		
NADH dehydrogenase subunit 2	ND2	10494–11540	1047	ATG	TAG
tRNA <sup>Trp</sup>	W	11539–11609	71		
tRNA <sup>Ala</sup>	A	11612–11680	69		
tRNA <sup>Asn</sup>	N	11682–11754	73		
tRNA <sup>Cys</sup>	C	11789–11854	66		
tRNA <sup>Tyr</sup>	Y	11858–11927	70		
cytochrome c oxidase subunit I	COI	11929–13479	1551	GTG	TAA
tRNA <sup>Ser</sup>	S	13480–13550	71		
tRNA <sup>Asp</sup>	D	13555–13626	72		
cytochrome c oxidase subunit II	COII	13641–14331	691	ATG	T*
tRNA <sup>Lys</sup>	K	14332–14405	74		
ATP synthase F0 subunit 8	ATP8	14407–14574	168	ATG	TAA
ATP synthase F0 subunit 6	ATP6	14565–15248	684	ATG	TAA
cytochrome c oxidase subunit III	COIII	15248–16031	784	ATG	T*
tRNA <sup>Gly</sup>	G	16032–16104	73		
NADH dehydrogenase subunit 3	ND3	16105–16455	351	ATG	TAG
tRNA <sup>Arg</sup>	R	16454–16524	71		

In seq1 and seq3, which are female samples, control region, trnP, trnT, CYTB, ND5, trnL, trnS, trnH, ND4, ND4L, trnR, ND3, trnG, COX3, ATP6, ATP8, trnK, COX2, trnD, COX1, trnW, ND2, trnM, trnI, ND1, trnL, trnV, trnS, trnF were encoded by the H-strand, trnQ, trnA, trnN, trnC, trnY, trnS, ND6, trnE, were encoded by the L-strand. On the other hand, in seq2 and seq4, which are males, trnQ, trnA, trnN, trnC, trnY, trnS, ND6, trnE, were encoded by the H-strand, control region, trnP, trnT, CYTB, ND5, trnL, trnS, trnH, ND4, ND4L, trnR, ND3, trnG, COX3, ATP6, ATP8, trnK, COX2, trnD, COX1, trnW, ND2, trnM, trnI, ND1, trnL, trnV, trnS, trnF were encoded by the L-strand.

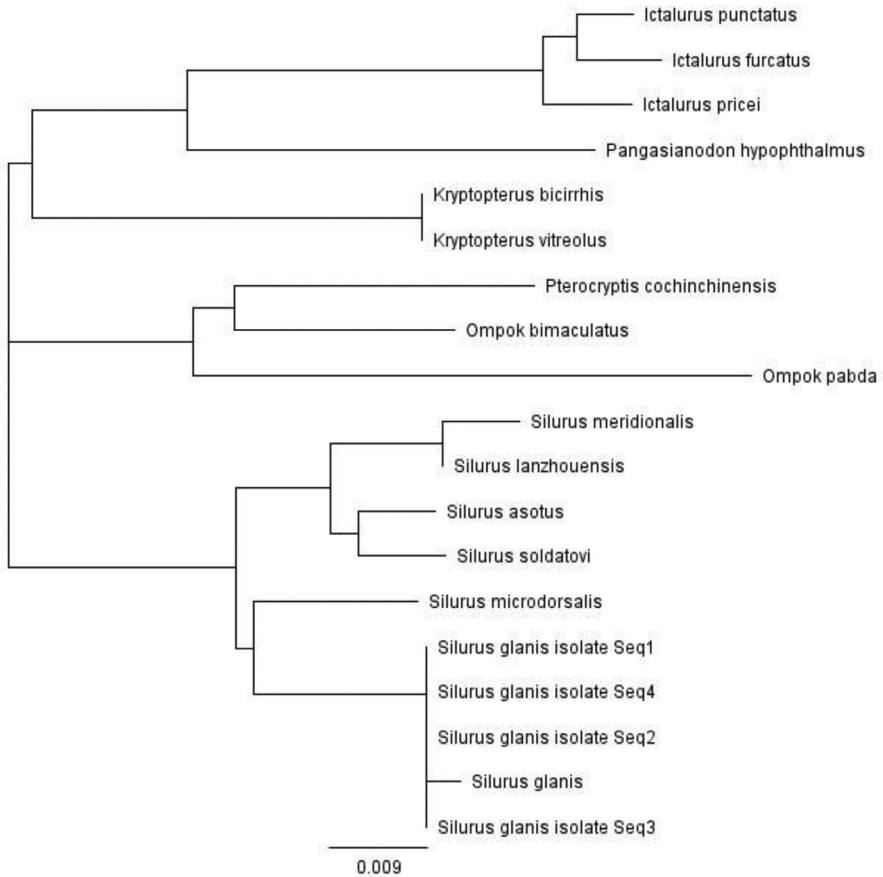
**Table 3**

The observed amino acid changes in the 13 protein-coding genes in the examined *S. glanis* samples. Black and red colors indicate the changes of NC\_014261.1 to examined amino acids at the position of the gene sequence. Each indicated amino acid changes were detected uniformly in the four newly identified mitogenomes. \*The Val154Ile substitution in the *cox2* gene was observed only in seq3.

Protein coding genes	Amino acid changes
<b>nad1</b>	-
<b>cytb</b>	Val145Ile
<b>nad6</b>	Val42Ile
<b>nad5</b>	Asn76Ser Val211Ile Ile538Met Thr599Ala
<b>nad4</b>	Ser71Cys Phe73Leu Val76Leu Ala338Thr Pro339His
<b>nad4L</b>	Phe53Ser Cys56Phe Met61Ile Arg62Leu
<b>nad3</b>	Pro36Ser Asp39Glu Ser44Pro His55Arg Ser56Phe
<b>cox3</b>	Pro140Ser Gly142Val
<b>atp6</b>	-
<b>atp8</b>	-
<b>cox1</b>	Met1Val Gln111Leu His260Tyr
<b>cox2</b>	Ile76Val Val154Ile*
<b>nad2</b>	Ser179Leu Pro326Leu

Amino acid sequences were compared to the only available *S. glanis* mitogenome (NC\_014261.1). From the 13 PCGs, we found differences in 10, which are *nad2*, *nad3*, *nad4*, *nad4L*, *nad5*, *nad6*, *cytb*, *COI*, *COII*, *COIII*. *Atp6*, *atp8*, and *nad1* were the same in the 4 examined samples and in the *S. glanis* mitochondrial genome (NC\_014261.1) sequence as well. In *cytb* and *nad6* was 1, in *nad2* and *COIII* were 2, in *COI* were 3, in *nad4L* and *nad5* were 4, in *nad4* and *nad3* were 5 amino acid changes comparing to the only available *S. glanis* sequence (NC\_014261.1). *COII* showed differences in seq3 there were 2 amino acid changes, in seq1, seq2, and seq4 was only 1. The amino acid changes are shown in Table 3 (Supplementary 2.). Sequencing multiple mitochondrial genomes from the same species, *S. glanis* revealed varying levels of intraspecific genetic variation.

The phylogenetic relationship of *S. glanis* was compared with previously analyzed mitogenomes of other Siluriformes, *Silurus*, *Kryptopterus*, *Ompok*, and *Pterocryptis* genus in Siluridae family and on two other genera, *Ictalurus* in Ictaluridae, *Pangasianodon* in Pangasiidae



**Fig. 2.** Phylogenetic tree of *Silurus glanis* with other catfishes. Based on the mitochondrial 12S rRNA.

family. The phylogenetic tree is shown in Fig. 2. The phylogenetic location of *S. glanis* was the closest to *S. microdorsalis*. Similar results were found by Park et al.; Yang et al. [11,12].

## 2. Experimental Design, Materials and Methods

*S. glanis* samples were collected from Hungary and Czech Republic rivers. The genomic DNAs were extracted with Thermo Scientific™ GeneJET Genomic DNA Purification Kit from caudal fin and stored at  $-70$  °C. After the extraction, we checked the DNA concentration and purity by agarose gel electrophoresis and spectrophotometric quantification. Four *S. glanis* total gDNA samples were de novo sequenced and analyzed. Mitogenomes were reconstructed in silico in each sample. Libraries were prepared using the Nextera XT DNA Sample Preparation Kit according to the manufacturer's protocol [13], unless otherwise stated. Sequencing reactions were carried out using the MiSeq v2 ( $2 \times 301$  bp) chemistries (Illumina). Similar sequencing technique was used by Austin et al.; Tabassum et al.; Alam et al. [14–16]. The raw reads were cleaned by the trimming of adaptor sequences, empty reads, and ambiguous nucleotides ('N' at the end of the reads). The reads obtained were then assembled using the SPAdes (St Petersburg genome assembler) assembly toolkit containing various assembly pipelines based on the Bruijn Graph [17,18]. Total genome sizes of four individuals were approximately between 800–810 Mb, with

4383–4388 scaffolds and N50 varied between 3.1–3.4 Mb. The predicted genome size was corresponding to the most closely related *Silurus asotus* (831–1411 Mb) [19] and other Siluriformes, whose genome sizes vary from 599 Mb in *Bagarius yarrelli* [20] to 1200 Mb in *Clarias batrachus* [21]. The longest individual scaffolds were 9–9.5 Mb. Mitochondrial genomes were separated into individual scaffolds: NODE\_3 (seq1), NODE\_4 (seq3), NODE\_6 (seq4), NODE\_8 (seq2) with the same length 16,524 and k-mer coverage for the last (largest) k values used were 46.985597, 56.102578, 65.455701 and 50.835330. The sequencing coverage varied between 140–150x of the four mitochondrial genomes. The base composition was GC 44, 86% and AT 55, 14% in the samples from Czech Republic and GC 44, 87% and AT 55, 13% in the sample from Hungary. The mitogenome contigs were identified by BLAST+ [22] alignments to the previously published *S. glanis* mitochondrial genome (NC\_014261.1). For sequence comparison, we used NCBI BLAST [23] and Geneious 9.0.5 [24]. The phylogenetic analysis was performed using Geneious 9.0.5 with the Geneious Tree Builder, the Alignment type was Global alignment with free end gaps, the Genetic Distance Model was Tamura-Nei, and the Tree built Method was Neighbor-Joining. The analysis is based on the mitochondrial 12S rRNA, because this gene sequence is frequently used in molecular taxonomy and phylogeny [25–28]. For phylogenetic analysis, nucleotide sequences were downloaded from the NCBI database.

## Ethics Statement

This study is based on non-living animal experiments, only tissue samples. Do not require an ethics statement.

## Declaration of Competing Interest

The authors report no conflict of interest. The authors alone are responsible for the content and writing of the paper. The first and second authors participated in equal proportions of the work.

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