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## Abstract

Although the functional importance of shell matrix proteins (SMPs) in shell formation, and their importance in understanding shell evolution have been generally recognized, potential importance of larval shells in those studies has been overlooked, and the SMPs of molluscan larval shells have been poorly characterized. Here, in chapter 2, I report comparisons of larval and adult shell matrix proteins within single species and between different species. By proteomic analysis combined with genomic and transcriptomic analyses, a total of 111 and 31 larval SMPs have been identified from the two bivalve species *Crassostrea gigas*, and *Pinctada fucata*, respectively, and they have been compared with their published adult counterparts. Comparisons between larval and adult SMPs in those species revealed that the larval SMPs are surprisingly different from the adult SMPs, exhibiting only four common SMPs shared between larval and adult SMPs in each species. Expression patterns of the genes encoding SMPs containing one or more functional domains, and forming a multigene family, such as Nacrein and Pif, clearly showed that, within those gene families, some members are highly and exclusively expressed at early developmental stages while others are adult stage specific, despite the fact that they contain the same domain(s), and expected to play similar or the same roles in shell formation. Pfam domain searches showed that VWA (von Willebrand factor type A), carbonic anhydrase, carbohydrate-binding module CBM\_14, and EF-hand domains exist in both larval and adult SMPs in both species, indicating their indispensable roles in shell formation. The differences in the components between larval and adult SMPs suggest that the larval and adult shells originated and evolved independently. I could not determine whether the larval shells are more ancient in origin than the adult shells, or vice versa, because both are equally dissimilar between the two species.

In chapter 3, phylogenetic analyses have been performed on the three shell matrix

protein (SMP) families VWA and chitin-binding domain-containing protein (VWA-CB dcp), carbonic anhydrase (CA), and chitobiase, which exist in both the larval and adult shell proteomes in the bivalves *Crassostrea gigas* and *Pinctada fucata*. The results demonstrated different timing of deployment of larval and adult SMPs among those SMPs. Phylogenetic analysis performed on VWA, CB and Laminin G domains separately revealed that BMSPs, a VWA-CB dcp characterized by possession of multiple VWA domains, of bivalves and gastropods derived from a protein with a single VWA and two CB domains just like other VWA-CB dcps found in living bivalves and gastropods. In VWA-CB dcp and chitobiase, the gene duplications that gave rise to the larval and adult SMPs are inferred to have occurred before the divergence of the two bivalve species *C. gigas* and *P. fucata*. On the other hand, phylogenetic analyses of the SMPs containing a CA domain (CA-SMP), proteins which are remarkably expanded in molluscs and thought to play important roles in biomineralization, indicated that the duplications of the larval and adult CA-SMPs occurred after the divergence of the two bivalve species (possibly in Triassic), and in each lineage independently. Thus, the deployment of those CA-SMPs for larval or adult shell formation is considerably more recent than hitherto thought.

In chapter 4, in order to generate the first transgenic lineage of the pearl oyster *Pinctada fucata*, an endogenous  $\beta$ -tubulin promoter candidate has been cloned into a *green fluorescent protein (GFP)* expression plasmid. Electroporation and chemical mediated introduction of DNA were tested as a mean of delivering the DNA constructs into fertilized eggs. Successful deliveries of the foreign DNA via both methods have been confirmed by PCR amplification. However, fluorescent individuals could not be detected under microscope, which indicates some failures in the promoter sequence or in the *GFP*-coding sequence. On the other hand, the sequence of a SPARC gene of the limpet, *Nipponacmea fuscoviridis*, has been characterized. DNA and RNA constructs for CRISPR/Cas9 knock out of the SPARC gene have also been generated to perform *in vivo* functional analyses on this class of shell matrix proteins (SMP).

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## Chapter 1 General introduction

In living organisms, biomineralized tissues provide multiple functions: tissue support, storage of mineral ions, protecting the soft body from predators and from other environmental factors such as UV light (Lowenstam and Weiner 1989; Simkiss and Wilbur 1989). The overwhelming appearance of mineralized skeletons, including calcium phosphate, calcium carbonate and silica, opens the grand history of the metazoan taxa at the dawn of the Cambrian (Knoll and Carroll 1999; Morris 1998; Shubin and Marshall 2000). In the metazoan world, one of the phyla appeared abruptly in the Ediacaran. In contrast to many other groups or organisms, molluscs have an excellent fossil record extending some 550 million years with a substantial standing diversity of fossils so far discovered. As all but one of the eight main classes of molluscs had representatives in the Cambrian, including polyplacophorans, monoplacophorans, cephalopods, gastropods, bivalves (Lecointre and Le Guyader 2001; Runnegar 1996), and with the complex shell microstructures of early Cambrian molluscs (Feng and Sun 2003; Kouchinsky 2000), the history of molluscs is the key to understand the explosive Cambrian radiation of diverse animals accompanied with physiologically controlled mineralization.

Mollusc shells are generally composed of an outer organic layer-periostracum and inner calcified layers, over 95 weight % of which is calcium carbonate in the form of aragonite and/or calcite. The layers underneath the periostracum exhibit a diversity of microstructures, including “prismatic”, “nacreous”, “foliated”, “cross-lamellar”, “granular”, “composite-prismatic” and “homogeneous” (Boggild 1930; Carter and Clark 1985; Chateigner, et al. 2000). It is generally accepted that each shell structure develops in a specific part of shells. Also, combinations of several shell structures characteristically occur at certain taxonomic levels (Uozumi 1981), potentially reflecting phylogeny. In addition to the formation of those complex microstructures, various other aspects of shell biomineralization, including synthesis of transient

amorphous minerals, choice of calcium polymorphs, organization of crystals into complex shell textures are believed to be controlled by the organic molecules, collectively known as the shell matrix, which is a quantitatively minor constituent of the shell (0.1%~5% w/w according to different species and microstructures) (Mann 1988), and is secreted, at least for the formation of the adult shells, by an evolutionarily homologous organ known as the mantle (Lowenstam and Weiner 1989; Simkiss and Wilbur 1989).

### **Biom mineralization in juvenile and adult molluscs**

In molluscs, an indirect mode of development characterized by a transition from a ciliated trochophore to a veliger larva, followed by metamorphosis from the veliger to a juvenile, is shared by the majority of molluscan classes, in particular bivalves and gastropods (Martoja 1995). When the swimming veliger larva settles down onto a benthic existence, the disappearance of the velum is accompanied by the development of the foot, digestive gland and the reproductive organs (Bonar 1976). The resulting juvenile mollusc calcifies rapidly, and the growth of the shell approximately follows the von Bertalanffy law (Seed 1980). Classically, the physiology of molluscan shell calcification can be described as a succession of compartments (WILBUR and Saleuddin 1983), the central of which is the mantle, a thin organ, which coats the inner surface of the shell. The mantle is a polarized tissue comprised of three components: (1) the inner epithelium, in contact with the ambient medium, for example, seawater, (2) the mantle interior, which is comprised of pallial muscles, nerves, connective tissues, and (3) the outer epithelium, which mineralizes the shell (Fig. 1.1). Secreted by the mantle outer epithelium, the periostracum, composed of organic matters including polysaccharides and proteins, functions in providing a support or foundation for the mineralization and in setting the boundary and sealing the space where the mineralization occurs (Marin, et al. 2007).

Transported in the connective tissues via the hemolymph, precursor ions, i. e.,

calcium and bicarbonate ions, that are taken up from the ambient waters or from the metabolism (food and fluids) can finally reach the second compartment, the extrapallial space (Saleuddin and PETIT 1983) (Fig. 1.1). The extrapallial space is the place where “mysterious” transition from the liquid precursors to the solid crystals occurs. Recently, the concept of self-assemblage is put forward to depict how the amorphous ions and shell matrix interact in a controlled manner to produce organo-mineral material with fine structures (Marin, et al. 2007).

The matrix is a mixture of proteins, glycoproteins, acidic polysaccharides, chitin, and presumably lipids secreted by the mantle. It is consumed when interacting with the mineral ions and controlling the shape of the produced crystals (Marin *et al.*, 2007). Previous studies have demonstrated that, at both transcriptional and protein levels, the secretory regime show differences according to the position of the cells involved in the process on the outer epithelium, in particular for the species which exhibit a bi-textured shell (e.g., an outer prismatic layer and an inner nacreous layer) (Fig. 1.1). The formation of the prisms is controlled by the matrix secreted from the outer epithelial cells in a more distal position than the epithelial cells involved in the nacre formation (Jolly, et al. 2004; Sudo, et al. 1997; Takeuchi and Endo 2006). Three types of SMPs, i.e., specific to the prism, specific to the nacre, and contained in both, have been discriminated in the pearl oyster *Pinctada fucata*, and their transcripts indicated congruent expression patterns in the outer epithelium (outer, middle, and inner pallial regions) of the mantle (Zhao, et al. 2018).

Molluscan shell formation is often cited as resulting in large measure from extracellular events mediated by the organic matrix secreted from the mantle epithelium (Lowenstam and Weiner 1989; Simkiss and Wilbur 1989). But, an hypothesis alternative to this matrix-mediated hypothesis was proposed on the oyster *Crassostrea virginica* (Mount, et al. 2004), positing that the crystal nucleation takes place in the crystallogenic cell (hemocyte), which supply nascent crystals to the mineralization front. So far, it is still under debate if this is a phenomenon particular

to this species and closely related oysters or a more general mechanism by which the molluscan shells are produced.

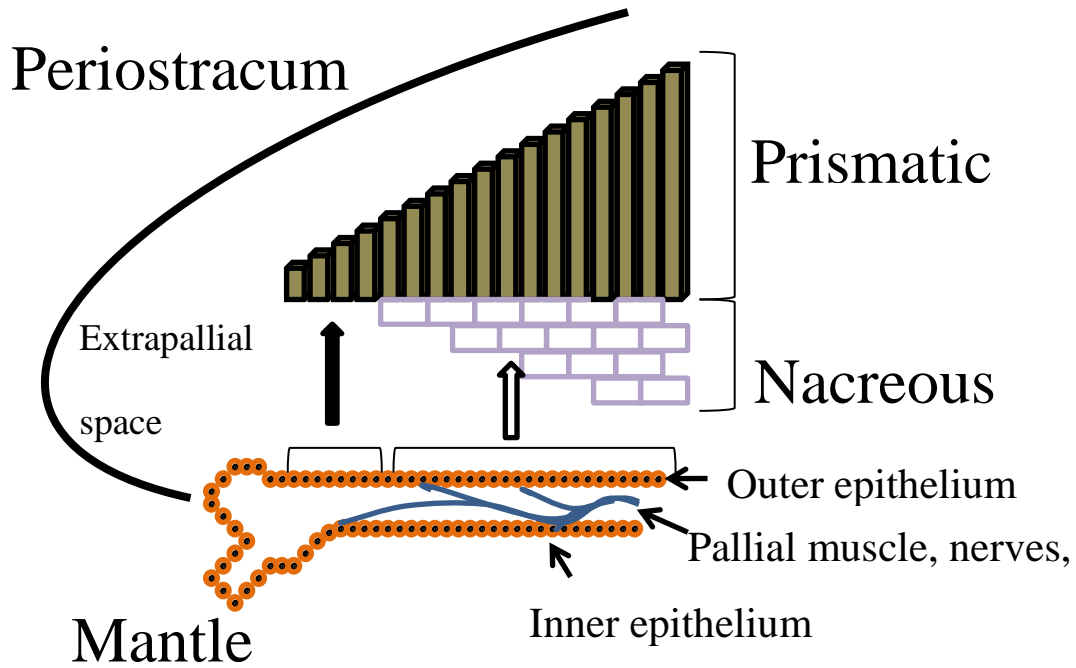


Fig. 1.1 Schematic of physiology of the shell formation in nacro-prismatic bivalves, redrawn from (Saleuddin and PETIT 1983).

## **Molluscan larval shell formation**

In molluscs, the first step in shell biomineralization occurs during the trochophore larval stage. Most of the shell-secreting cells are descendants of the 2d blastomere, which develop into an ectodermal region of the embryo known as the “shell field” (Cather 1967; Cather, et al. 1976). The invagination of the cells in the center of the shell field produces the transitory structure called shell gland (KNIPRATH 1981). The invagination allows the cells at the periphery of the shell gland to produce the early organic membrane, which will be the first template for the deposition of calcium carbonate minerals. This organic lamella is the future periostracum. Between the periostracum and the cells of the shell field, the early mineralization of the embryo occurs (Kniprath 1980, 1977). In bivalves, secreted during the trochophore stage, the first shell is called prodissoconch I, which is characterized by granular microstructure (Lydie, et al. 2001). During the transition from the trochophore stage to the veliger stage, the prodissoconch II is secreted, which is characterized by the appearance of the growth lines (Lydie, et al. 2001). Then, following the metamorphosis of the veliger larva, the dissoconch shell or the teleoconch shell is formed. In gastropods, the terminology is different: the first shell formed during trochophore stage is protoconch I, the second shell formed during the veliger stage is protoconch II, and the postmetamorphic shell is called teleoconch (Jablonski 1980).

In spite of the active roles inferred for the shell gland or shell field invagination (Eyster and Morse 1984; Kniprath 1980, 1981, 1977) and the processes of the early shell formation have been depicted (Lydie, et al. 2001), in comparison to the other phyla, especially echinoderms and arthropods, the connection between the physiology of the larval shell development and the underlying genetic mechanisms, is poorly understood. Direct or indirect roles of homeobox gene *engrailed*, in marking the skeletal boundaries during molluscan embryo development were claimed by (Jacobs, et al. 2000; Moshel, et al. 1998; Nederbragt, et al. 2002; Wanninger and Haszprunar 2001). The role of *Hox* genes in patterning shell were suggested by the expression of

*Hox1* in a ring of cells corresponding to the outer mantle edge in the trochophore larva and the expression of *Hox4* at the mantle in the later stage after larval shell is fully formed (Hinman, et al. 2003). Furthermore, an important but has long been underestimated aspect of larval shell formation corresponds to the intense enzymatic activities during the whole embryonic process. In the freshwater snail, *Lymanea*, alkaline phosphatase is highly expressed during the evagination, while the expression of DOPA-oxidase (tyrosinase) and peroxidase reached the highest level at the boundaries of shell gland and the surrounding cells (Timmermans 1968). In the larval stage of the mussel, *Mytilus*, high levels of expression of carbonic anhydrase (CA) were detected before the formation of the shell field in the gastrula embryo, the formation of shell gland and periostracum in the trochophore stage, and the deposition of mineral in the prodissoconch I and prodissoconch II stages (Medaković 2000). The importance of chitin synthase, a transmembrane glycosyltransferase that catalyzes the synthesis of chitin, was inferred by the presence of the chitin synthase transcript in the cells contact with larval shell in early and late veliger stages of the mussel, *Mytilus galloprovincialis* (Weiss, et al. 2006).

Compared with those of their adult counterparts, molluscan larval shells are simpler in structure and mineralogies: the shell microstructures of larval shells are generally comprised of three mineralized layers, an outer prismatic layer (OP) below the periostracum, an inner prismatic layer next to the mantle epithelium (IP), and a granular homogeneous layer (G) between the two prismatic layers (Waller 1981; Weiss, et al. 2002), and are much simpler than those the adult shells, and the mineral component of larval shells is almost exclusively aragonite (Table 1.1) regardless of the mineralogies in the postlarval and adult forms (Carriker 1979; Cather 1967; Eyster 1982; Ivester 1972; Iwata and Akamatsu 1975; LaBarbera 1974; Stenzel 1964). By using focused ion beam (FIB) sample preparation technique and transmission electron microscopy (TEM), detailed processes of acquisition and the microstructure of the larval shell were depicted (Kudo et al. 2019; Yokoo et al. 2011). In *Crassostrea nippona* at 14 h after fertilization (in the trochophore stage), an outer layer of

aragonite started to form. At 72 h after fertilization (in the veliger stage), an additional granular layer was produced between the preexisting layer and the embryo to form a distinctive two-layered structure (Kudo, et al. 2010). In *Pinctada fucata*, at 18 h after fertilization, the larva was covered by the first shell made of aragonite. At 48 h after fertilization, a new homogenous aragonite layer with globular contrast formed under the initial layer. At this stage, inner layer consisting of calcite was found in a few specimens. One to three weeks after fertilization, a new aragonite layer with a prismatic contrast formed under the homogeneous layer (Yokoo, et al. 2011). However, no evidence of ACC was found in both studies. Despite it was suggested that amorphous calcium carbonate (ACC) is the precursor phase in the larval shell which transforms to aragonite during shell growth in *Mercenaria mercenaria* and *Crassostrea gigas* (Weiss, et al. 2002), in the two studies performed using FIB and TEM, no evidence of ACC was found. Taken together, these pieces of evidence agreed with the opinion pointed out by Taylor (1973), that larval shells are evolutionarily conserved.

It was assumed that the ancestor of extant invertebrates, with the exceptions of insects and cephalopod molluscs, use a similar embryogenesis mechanism for their development, based on which undifferentiated cells that are set aside from the embryogenesis *per se* and the subsequent utilization of genetic regulatory mechanisms that allowed the evolution of adult plans (Davidson 1990; Davidson, et al. 1995; Peterson, et al. 1997). Thus, larvae of living animals are supposed to show more ancestral common features than adults in this theory. Another hypothesis given by (Peterson, et al. 1997) suggested the larva forms are homologous and the genome of ancestors must have already included regulatory programs for embryo/larva development that are still utilized by their indirect developing modern descendants. If these hypotheses are correct, gene repertoires involved in the larval shell formation molluscs may show more similarities to that of their common ancestor than their adult counterparts.



**Table 1.1 Crystal form of pre-metamorphic molluscan shells.**

Species	Stage	Crystal phase	Reference
<i>Aeolidia palillosa</i>	Larva	Aragonite	Eyster, 1982
<i>Ilyanassa obsoleta</i>	Larva	Entirely aragonite	Cather, 1967
<i>Ilyanassa obsoleta</i>	Trochophore	Arag., trace calcite	Ivester, 1972
<i>Ilyanassa obsoleta</i>	Veliger	Aragonite	Ivester, 1972
<i>Crassostrea virginica</i>	PI, PII	Aragonite	Carriker, 1979
<i>Crassostrea virginica</i>	Veliger	Aragonite	Stenzel, 1964
<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	Veliger	ACC, aragonite	Weiss, et al. 2002
<i>Merenaria merecenaria</i>	Veliger	ACC, aragonite	Weiss, et al. 2002
<i>Crassostrea nippona</i>	PI, PII	Aragonite	Kudo, et al. 2010
<i>Pinctada fucata</i>	PI, PII	Aragonite, trace calcite	Yokoo, et al. 2011
<i>Tndacna squamosa</i>	PI, PII, juv (mix)	Aragonite	LaBarbera, 1974
<i>Mytilaceans, 12 species</i>	Larva	Aragonite	Carter, 1980
<i>Patinopecten yessoensis</i>	Larva	Aragonite	Iwata and Akamatsu, 1975

## Shell matrix protein (SMP) and functional analyses of SMP

Since 1990s, accompanied by the discovery of various shell matrix proteins (SMPs), which cover a broad spectrum of  $pI$ , from the extremely acidic to the very basic, new concepts, including modularity, were utilized to interpret the observations as more complex realities. The different modules comprise the primary structure of these SMPs indicate their different roles in the calcification processes. For example, the existence of highly acidic modules in shell proteins has been predicted since the pioneering work of Weiner and Hood (1975). Today, this group includes MSI31 (Sudo, et al. 1997), MSP-1 (Sarashina and Endo 2001), Aspein (Tsukamoto, et al. 2004), Prismaticin-14 (Suzuki, et al. 2004), MSP-2/SP-S (Hasegawa and Uchiyama 2005), Asp-rich protein families (Gotliv, et al. 2005) in Bivalvia, as well as LUSP-9, LUSP-10 and LUSP-23 in gastropoda (Marie, et al. 2013) (Table 1.2). One striking feature of these calcite-specific proteins is that they are singularly enriched in Asp residues, though the reason is unclear. Because of the enrichment of Asp residues which will be negatively charged under physiological conditions, these proteins have been considered to show low-affinity and high-capacity  $Ca^{2+}$  binding ability, which is compatible with a reversible binding of  $Ca^{2+}$  (Maurer, et al. 1996). The roles that Prismaticin-14 and Aspein play in the regulation of the calcification were studied via *in vitro* carbonate precipitation experiments by Suzuki *et al.*, (2004) and Takeuchi *et al.* (2008), respectively. Later, *RNAi* gene knockdown experiments confirmed the key roles of another acidic matrix protein *Pif* in the formation of aragonitic nacreous structure in *Pinctada fucata* (Suzuki, et al. 2009). Today, as the genomic and transcriptomic analyses using the next-generation DNA sequencing techniques are widely applied to shell proteomic projects, the number of shell proteins added to our knowledge is increasing fast, and the traditional theory that the shell matrix is where mineralization occurs is being challenged by a modified cellular model based on the identification of shell proteins in multiple organs in oyster, though the mantle is still the most important organ for the formation of adult shells (Wang, et al. 2013b).

**Table 1.2 Unusually acidic molluscan shell proteins (with a theoretical isoelectric point below 4.5).**

Protein Name	Species	MW(kDa)	pI (Asp%, Glu%)	Swiss -	References
				Prot/TrEMBL /Genome Accession Number	
BIVALVIA	Aspein	<i>Pinctada fucata</i>	39.3/41.2	1.67 (57.6, 15.5)	Q76K52 Tsukamoto <i>et al.</i> , 2004
	MSI31	<i>Pinctada fucata</i>	32.85/31	3.8 (5.1, 23.6)	O02401 Sudo <i>et al.</i> , 1997
	Prismalin - 14	<i>Pinctada fucata</i>	11.9/13.5	4.24 (9.1, 24)	Q6F4C6 Suzuki <i>et al.</i> , 2004
	MSP - 1	<i>Patinopecten yessoensis</i>	74.6/76.4	3.34 (19.6, 24.5)	Q95YF6 Sarashina and Endo, 1998, 2001
	MSP - 2/SP - S	<i>Patinopecten yessoensis</i>	27.9/29.8	3.48 (20, 21.4)	Q6BC34 Hasegawa and Uchiyama, 2005
	Asp - rich protein 1	<i>Atrina rigida</i>	6.6/8.5	3.34 (32.5, 5)	Q5Y821 Gotliv <i>et al.</i> , 2005
	Asp - rich protein 2	<i>Atrina rigida</i>	15/17	2.89 (41, 7.5)	Q5Y822 Gotliv <i>et al.</i> , 2005
	Asp - rich protein 3	<i>Atrina rigida</i>	16.5/18.4	2.75 (42, 6.9)	Q5Y823 Gotliv <i>et al.</i> , 2005
	Asp - rich protein 4	<i>Atrina rigida</i>	18/19.9	2.73 (40.3, 6.8)	Q5Y824 Gotliv <i>et al.</i> , 2005
	Asp - rich protein 5	<i>Atrina rigida</i>	17.4/19.3	2.76 (38.7, 7)	Q5Y825 Gotliv <i>et al.</i> , 2005
	Asp - rich protein 6	<i>Atrina rigida</i>	18.2/20	2.72 (40.9, 6.7)	Q5Y826 Gotliv <i>et al.</i> , 2005
	Asp - rich protein 7	<i>Atrina rigida</i>	25.8/23.9	2.54 (50.8, 5.7)	Q5Y827 Gotliv <i>et al.</i> , 2005
	Asp - rich protein 8	<i>Atrina rigida</i>	25.3/27.2	2.53 (48.6, 5.4)	Q5Y828 Gotliv <i>et al.</i> , 2005
	Asp - rich protein 9	<i>Atrina rigida</i>	18.2/20	2.72 (40.9, 6.7)	Q5Y829 Gotliv <i>et al.</i> , 2005
	Asp - rich protein 10	<i>Atrina rigida</i>	20/21.8	2.68 (41.6, 5.7)	Q5Y830 Gotliv <i>et al.</i> , 2005
GASTROPODA	LUSP-9	<i>Lottia gigantea</i>	29	3.7 (11.6, 10.9)	B3A0Q7 Marie <i>et al.</i> , 2013
	LUSP-10	<i>Lottia gigantea</i>	68	3.8 (16.9, 3.7)	Lgi_163637 Marie <i>et al.</i> , 2013
	LUSP-23	<i>Lottia gigantea</i>	22	3.6 (24.3, 6.5)	B3A0S2 Marie <i>et al.</i> , 2013

## **Problems with the current research on SMPs and prospects for transgenic molluscs**

In the last decade, despite literally thousands of SMPs have been identified from many molluscan species and the functions of some of those SMPs in shell formation processes have been investigated, the functions have been mainly inferred from their chemical characteristics, and it is not very clear how well *in vitro* crystallization experiments mimicked the real physiological condition or how reliable the result of *RNAi* experiments are when the extent of gene knock down is incomplete and the temporal effects on phenotypes are lost in several days. This situation can be mainly attributed to the lack of a transgenic molluscan lineage to perform *in vivo* functional analyses via gene knock-out experiments, like those carried out on vertebrates and arthropods. Transmission of foreign DNA into embryos has been reported in a limited number of molluscs including abalones (Powers, et al. 1995; Tsai, et al. 1997), oysters (Buchanan, et al. 2001; Cadoret, et al. 1997a; Cadoret, et al. 1997b), limpets (Hashimoto, et al. 2012), and the slipper shell *Crepidula fornicata* (Perry and Henry 2015). However, none of these studies aimed at analyzing the functions of SMPs, and the methods for introduction of DNA reported for those animals are difficult to be repeated or to be applied to other molluscs, mainly because of the tiny size of molluscan eggs and the intrinsic differences among species, such as the structure and nature of the egg chorion.

Another problem of the current studies on SMPs, especially the shell proteome projects, which hinders our understanding of the shell formation processes, is that they mainly focus on the SMPs of adult animals, which can probably be explained by the tiny size of mollusc larvae, making the collection of the larval shells and extraction of SMPs from them difficult.

## Novel gene editing technology CRISPR/Cas9

Despite the difficulties and the limited number of previous studies, the innovation of CRISPR/Cas9, a novel gene editing technology shed light on performing functional analyses of SMPs via transgenic molluscan lineages.

The CRISPR/Cas9 system is derived from *Streptococcus pyogenes* SF370 and is comprised of a riboprotein complex with a “guide” RNA (gRNA) and the endonuclease Cas9 (Fig. 1.2). The target DNA sequence can be any 20 nt sequence associated with a protospacer adjacent motif (PAM) whose recognition is specific to individual CRISPR systems (Garneau, et al. 2010; Gasiunas, et al. 2012; Jinek, et al. 2012). The binding between gRNA and the targeted DNA directs *Cas9* to mediate the cleavage of the target DNA upstream of PAM to create a double-strand break (DSB) within the protospacer. Then, The Non-Homologous End Joining (NHEJ) mechanism after cleavage will generate loss-of-function mutations within the targeted sequence (Fig. 1.2).

Until now, CRISPR/Cas9 has been successfully introduced into various metazoan animals, including mouse (Wang, et al. 2013a), human (Cong, et al. 2013), zebrafish (Hwang, et al. 2013), *Xenopus* (Blitz, et al. 2013), nematodes (Friedland, et al. 2013), *Drosophila* (Gratz, et al. 2013) and the mollusc *Crepidula fornicata* (Perry and Henry 2015). This technology has liberated researchers from the hard and tedious work of traditional gene-targeting methods. Compared with the previous designer nucleases, ZEN and TALEN, which have also been applied to various systems for generating double-strand breaks in the target region of the coding sequences (Beumer, et al. 2013; Sakuma, et al. 2013; Watanabe, et al. 2014), targeting of different target sites via CRISPR/Cas9 can be realized by simply modifying the gRNA sequences instead of revising the cutting nucleases, a property which is especially apposite when a number of target sites are to be tested.

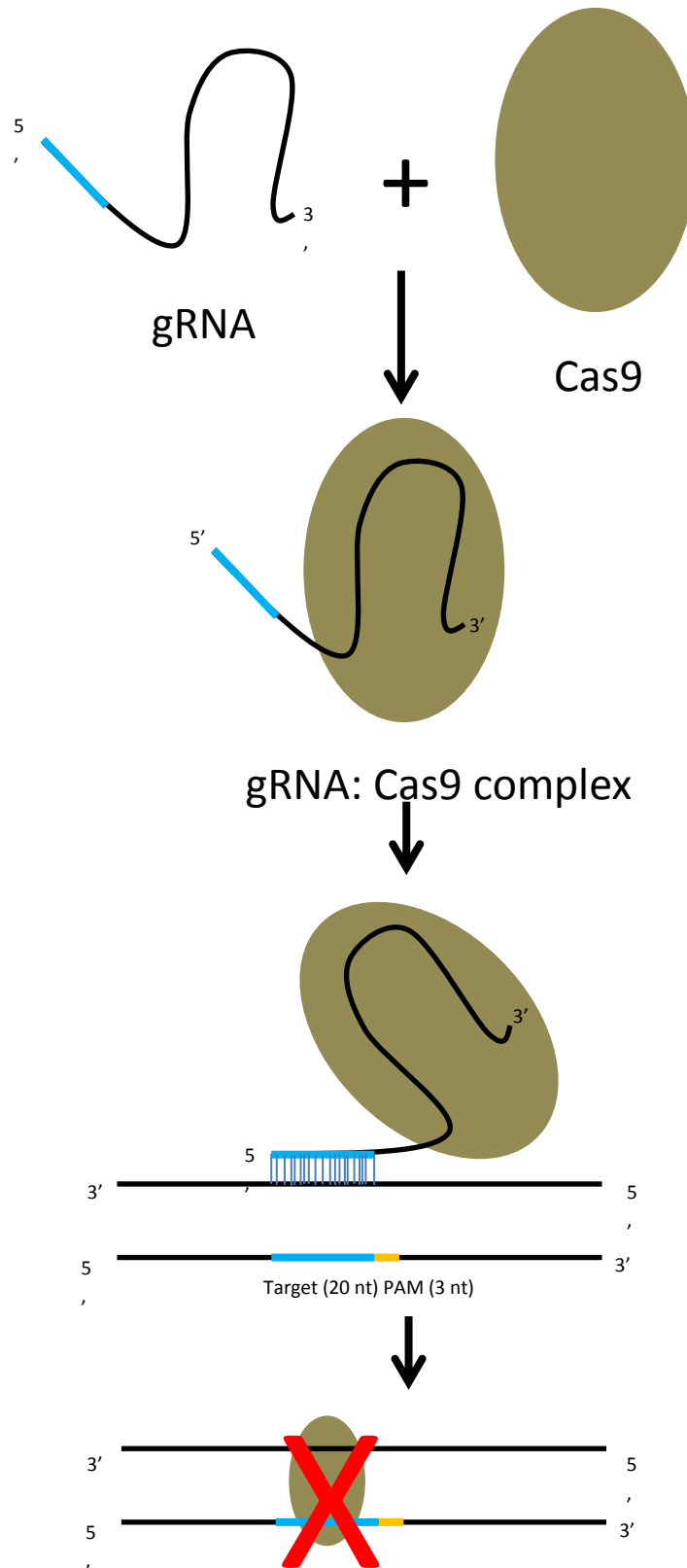


Fig. 1.2 Schematic of the type II CRISPR-mediated DNA double-strand break.

## **The aims of the present study**

In the past, transcriptomics combined with shell proteomics revealed distinct repertoires of the SMPs of the adult shells among molluscan species (Marie, et al. 2013; Marie, et al. 2012; Marie, et al. 2011a; Zhang, et al. 2012). However, as for the larval shells, which could be evolutionarily more conserved than the adult shells, our knowledge is limited, and the components of the SMPs and whether the repertoires of larval SMPs are more similar to each other than those of their adult counterparts when compared between different species await detailed investigations. Thus, in chapter 2 of this thesis, as a first trial, the SMPs of the larval shells of the two pteriomorph bivalve species, *Crassostrea gigas* and *Pinctada fucata* have been characterized and compared, and further compared with the sequences of the adult counterparts already published for those species (Liu, et al. 2015; Takeuchi, et al. 2016; Zhang, et al. 2012).

Two hypotheses have been given in the past to explain the calcification in metazoans. On one hand, calcification was the result of recruitment and orchestration of ancestral Precambrian functions which is not related to the mineralization (Marin, et al. 2003; Marin, et al. 2007). On the other hand, calcification was acquired independently by different metazoan lineages, and the similarities are the result of adaptive convergence (Marin, et al. 2007). In order to answer those puzzling questions about the origin of shell proteins which are deeply involved in the calcification process of molluscs, for example, where they came from, and how they were recruited by the shell, in chapter 3, phylogenetic analyses are performed on the three SMP gene families which are contained in both the larval and adult SMP repertoires of the two bivalve species *C. gigas* and *P. fucata* studied in chapter 2. The evolutionary relationships among each of those SMPs, possible evolutionary scenarios of domain structures, and the origin of their recruitment by the shells, particularly the timing of deployment for larval and adult shell formation relative to the divergence of the two bivalve species, are discussed.

In chapter 4, in order to generate a model organism in molluscs, which provides a platform for *in vivo* functional analyses of SMPs, including those from the nacro-prismatic molluscs in the future, introduction of foreign DNA by electroporation and chemical transfection methods have been tested on the fertilized eggs of *P. fucata*, and the DNA constructs based on the novel gene editing technology CRISPR/Cas9 have been generated based on the gene sequences of the limpet, *Nipponacmea fuscoviridis*. The results are summarized, and possible sources of problems are discussed.

Finally in chapter 5, based on the outcomes collectively obtained from the above studies in this thesis, general discussion and possible directions of further studies are given.



## **Chapter 2 Dual gene repertoires for larval and adult shells reveal molecules essential for molluscan shell formation**

**Key words:** biomineralization, mollusca, metamorphosis, proteome, shell matrix protein (SMP)

### **2.1 Introduction**

In living organisms, biomineralized tissues provide multiple functions: tissue support, storage of mineral ions, protecting the soft body from predators and from other environmental factors such as UV light (Lowenstam and Weiner 1989; Simkiss and Wilbur 1989). Like in other metazoan lineages, acquisition of diverse mineralized exoskeletons is one of the reasons to explain the rapid establishment of shell-bearing molluscs at the dawn of the Cambrian times (Kawasaki, et al. 2004; Killian and Wilt 2008).

Despite being a minor fraction in the shells, the organic matrices, composed mainly of proteins, glycoproteins, chitin, and acidic polysaccharides, have pivotal roles in numerous aspects of shell formation, such as calcium carbonate nucleation, crystal growth, and choice of calcium carbonate polymorphs (Addadi, et al. 2006; Marin, et al. 2007). In recent years, with the help of high-throughput sequencing techniques, comparisons of molluscan shell matrix proteins through proteomic and transcriptomic studies revealed species-specific repertoires of shell matrix proteins among molluscs, including shell polymorph (i. e. calcite and aragonite) specific molecular toolkits within the same species (Liu, et al. 2015; Mann 1988; Marie, et al. 2013; Marie, et al. 2012; Marie, et al. 2011b; Zhang, et al. 2012).

The adult molluscan shells are mainly comprised of calcite or aragonite, or both, which are assembled in highly variable microstructures (Carter 1990; Kobayashi 1969; Taylor 1973). Molluscan larval shells, in contrast, are always composed only of

aragonite, showing similar microstructures to each other (Carriker 1979; Eyster 1982; Eyster 1986; LaBarbera 1974; Waller 1981; Weiss, et al. 2002), a fact which implies that the larval shells are evolutionarily highly conserved (Taylor 1973). With this simplicity in mineralogy and microstructures, and with the shorter period of time required to see the effects of potential *in vivo* manipulation experiments on the shell formation genes, the larval shells would arguably be a suitable model for understanding shell formation processes to answer such a simple but still unanswered question as how many proteins are required to build a shell. Studies of larval shell proteins would also be important in inferring the evolutionary antiquity of the larva, to test, for instance, the hypothesis that “set-aside cells” in the molluscan larvae provide the evolutionary and developmental ground on which adult structures are built (Peterson, et al. 1997). However, due perhaps to some technical difficulties, for example, in isolation of a certain amount of the tiny larval shells, a proteomic analysis on larval molluscan shells has not been performed.

The first shell of bivalves, prodissoconch I, is secreted during the trochophore stage, usually about 20 hours after fertilization (LaBarbera 1974). Prodissoconch I is then enlarged to form prodissoconch II during the transition stage to become the veliger (D-shape) larva. After the settlement of the veliger larva and metamorphosis to become juvenile, the shell is called the dissoconch (Lydie, et al. 2001). In this study, as the first trial, we applied acetic acid to extract the shell matrices from 24 h D-shape larval shells of the two pteriomorph bivalve species, *Crassostrea gigas* (*C. gigas*) and *Pinctada fucata* (*P. fucata*), whose adult shell protein repertoires have been characterized and proven to be rather different to each other (Liu, et al. 2015; Zhang, et al. 2012). Extracted shell matrix proteins were digested by trypsin, and then applied to LC-/MS/MS analysis. Shell-derived amino acid datasets were interrogated against the genome databases of *C. gigas* (Zhang, et al. 2012) and *P. fucata* (Takeuchi, et al. 2016).

## 2.2 Materials and methods

### 2.2.1 Protein extraction

24 h D-shape larvae of *Crassostrea gigas* and *Pinctada fucata* are gifts from Nagasaki Prefectural Institute of Fisheries and Mikomoto Pearl Research Institute, respectively (Fig. 2.1). The following shell cleaning and protein extraction method are same for the two species. Three mL of larvae were collected in 50 mL tube and incubated with 1 M sodium NaOH for overnight. The shells were washed with MilliQ water five times and were observed with stereomicroscope. The cleaning process was repeated until the soft tissue and the contaminant were completely removed. Then, cleaned shells were decalcified in 1M acetic acid. The solution was centrifuged at 4000g for 30 min to separate the supernatant and the pellet. The insoluble pellet was rinsed with MilliQ water three times and was lyophilized as acid-insoluble matrix (AIM). The acid soluble matrix (ASM) dissolved in the supernatant was recovered by methanol/chloroform precipitation method as previously described (Takeuchi, et al. 2016).

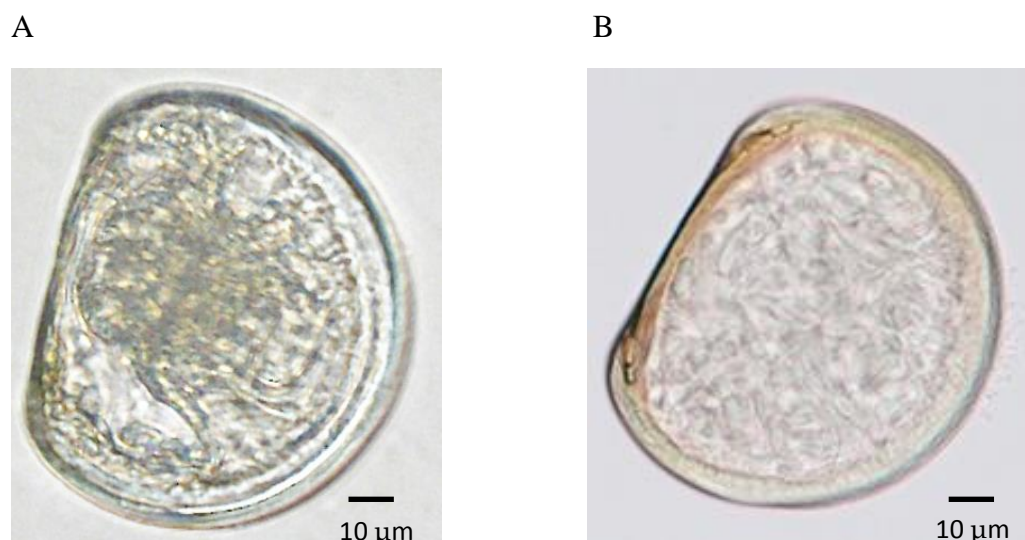


Fig. 2.1 Larval shells of *C. gigas* (A) and *P. fucata* (B) used in this study before NaOH treatment (Zhao, et al. 2018).

Adult shells of *Pinctada fucata* were provided by Mikimoto Pearl Research Institute. Shells were incubated in 1% NaOCl for 24 hours and mechanically washed

to remove superficial epibionts and periostracum. Two layers (outer prismatic and inner nacreous layers) were separated and crushed into tiny pieces. Ten grams of each shell layer was decalcified in 1M acetic acid overnight. Afterwards, acid soluble and insoluble matrices were obtained as mentioned above.

### 2.2.2 LC-MS/MS

AIM and ASM were suspended in solubilization buffer (1% SDS, 10mM DTT, 50mM Tris-HCl (pH 8.0)) and used for SDS-PAGE in 10%-20% gradient gel. Whole gel the proteins went through were excised and used for further analysis.

For the *Crassostrea gigas* shells, the excised gel bands were subjected to reduction/alkylation with dithiothreitol and iodoacetamide respectively followed by trypsin digestion overnight at 37 °C. Peptides were extracted from gel using 5% formic Acid and 50% acetonitrile in water. After extraction, peptides were concentrated in Genevac EZ-2 Elite speed vacuum concentrator, and then resuspended in 0.1% formic acid in water for LC/MS analysis. An injection volume of 5 µL for each sample was injected into a Dionex Ultimate 3000 nano-UPLC system in tandem with a Thermo Q-Exactive Plus Mass Spectrometer, acquiring MS1 and MS2 of top 10 most intense peaks. Settings for the mass spectrometer are listed as follows: all ions with charge  $\leq +2$ , and ions with charge  $>+8$  were selected for MS/MS; Mass range = 350 to 1500 m/z; Mass tolerance for exclusion list, precursor high/low 10 ppm, using a time window of 20 sec. Peptides were separated in a Zorbax 300SB-C18 (0.3x150 mm; Agilent) column at 40 °C, with 3 µL/min flow rate 90 min gradient. Acquired MS / MS spectra were subjected to database search against protein sequences of *C. gigas* gene models (Zhang, et al. 2012) and transcriptome assembly of *C. gigas* D-shaped larva, which is described below, complemented with the common Repository of Adventitious Proteins (cRAP; <http://www.thegpm.org/crap/>) database, using Proteome Discoverer software v1.4 (Thermo Fisher Scientific) - SEQUEST HT algorithm. Parameters set for the identification software are listed as follows: Select all MS/MS spectrum, if precursor ion charge is unknown, then +2 is assigned. No limit on mass

range; Mass tolerance for identification: precursor ion 20 ppm, fragment ion 0.1 Da. The results were filtered with a cut off 0.1 % false discovery rate at protein level. Not assigned spectra by SEQUEST HT were analyzed using PEAKs Studio 7 using de-novo sequencing first and then refined with database assisted search for alignment. Protein sequences identified by at least two unique peptides were accepted.

The *P. fucata* shell proteome data was provided by courtesy of Dr. Takeuchi, Dr. Yamada, and Prof. Sawada and retrieved from PRIDE DATABASE (<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/pride/archive/>).

### **2.2.3 Sequence analysis of SMPs**

Blastp search against the UniProtKB/Swiss-Prot database (<https://blast.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Blast.cgi>) was performed using the default settings. SMART online service (<http://smart.embl-heidelberg.de>) and Pfam domain search (<http://pfam.xfam.org/search>) domain with default settings were applied to predict the functional domains, signal peptide, transmembrane domains and RLCDs. Molecular masses and isoelectric points (pI) of sequences were predicted using the ExPASy ProtParam tool ([www.expasy.org/tools/protparam.html](http://www.expasy.org/tools/protparam.html)). Sequence alignments performed on ClustalX programme embedded in Genetyx version 6 (Genetyx, Tokyo, Japan). Venn diagrams were drawn with VENNY 2.1 (<http://bioinfogp.cnb.csic.es/tools/venny/>).

### **2.2.4 Transcriptome analysis**

Total RNA of *Pinctada fucata* was extracted from the adult mantle tissues and 12 developmental stages including egg, 2 cells, 4 cells, early morula, blastula, 11 hour after fertilization trochophore, 13 h trochophore, 21 h D-shaped larva, 24 h D-shaped larva, 55 h D-shaped larva, 69 h D-shaped larva, and 96 h D-shaped larva with TRizol reagent (Chomczynski and Sacchi 1987). RNA-Seq libraries were prepared using a TruSeq RNA sample Prep Kit v2 (Illumina) and sequenced with Illumina GAIIx platform. Raw sequences were quality filtered and trimmed with Trimmomatic 0.32

(Bolger, et al. 2014), then mapped to the *P. fucata* gene model (Takeuchi, et al. 2016) using Bowtie2 (Langmead and Salzberg 2012) with default parameters. For gene expression analysis, TPM (transcripts per kilobase million) was calculated using eXpress 1.5.1 (Roberts and Pachter 2013). In the same way, RNA-Seq library of 24 h D-shaped larva of *Crassostrea gigas* was also prepared and sequenced with Illumina MiSeq. Transcriptome was assembled with Trinity 2.2.1 (Grabherr, et al. 2011).

## 2.3 Results and discussion

### 2.3.1 Shell matrix proteins (SMPs) of larval and adult shells

In order to acquire authentic shell matrix proteomes, only the proteins buttressed by at least two unambiguously identified peptide fragments were recorded in this study. The same standard was also adopted to reappraise the previously published adult shell matrix protein databases (Takeuchi, et al. 2016; Zhang, et al. 2012). With an overlap of 4 proteins, a shell proteome of *Crassostrea gigas* containing a total of 178 proteins, consisting of 111 larval shell proteins and 71 adult ones, was obtained (Fig. 2.2A, Table 2.1 and 2.3). In *Pinctada fucata*, a total of 31, 89, and 111 proteins were identified in the matrices of larval shell, adult nacre and adult prism, respectively. Taken together, a shell proteome of a total of 185 proteins, with 4 overlaps between larval and adult SMPs was established for *P. fucata* (Fig. 2.2b, Table 2.2 and 2.5).

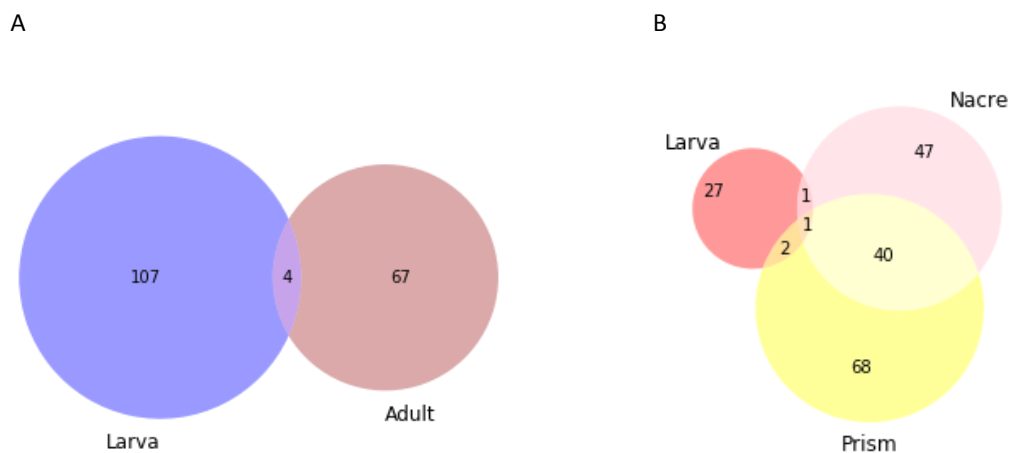
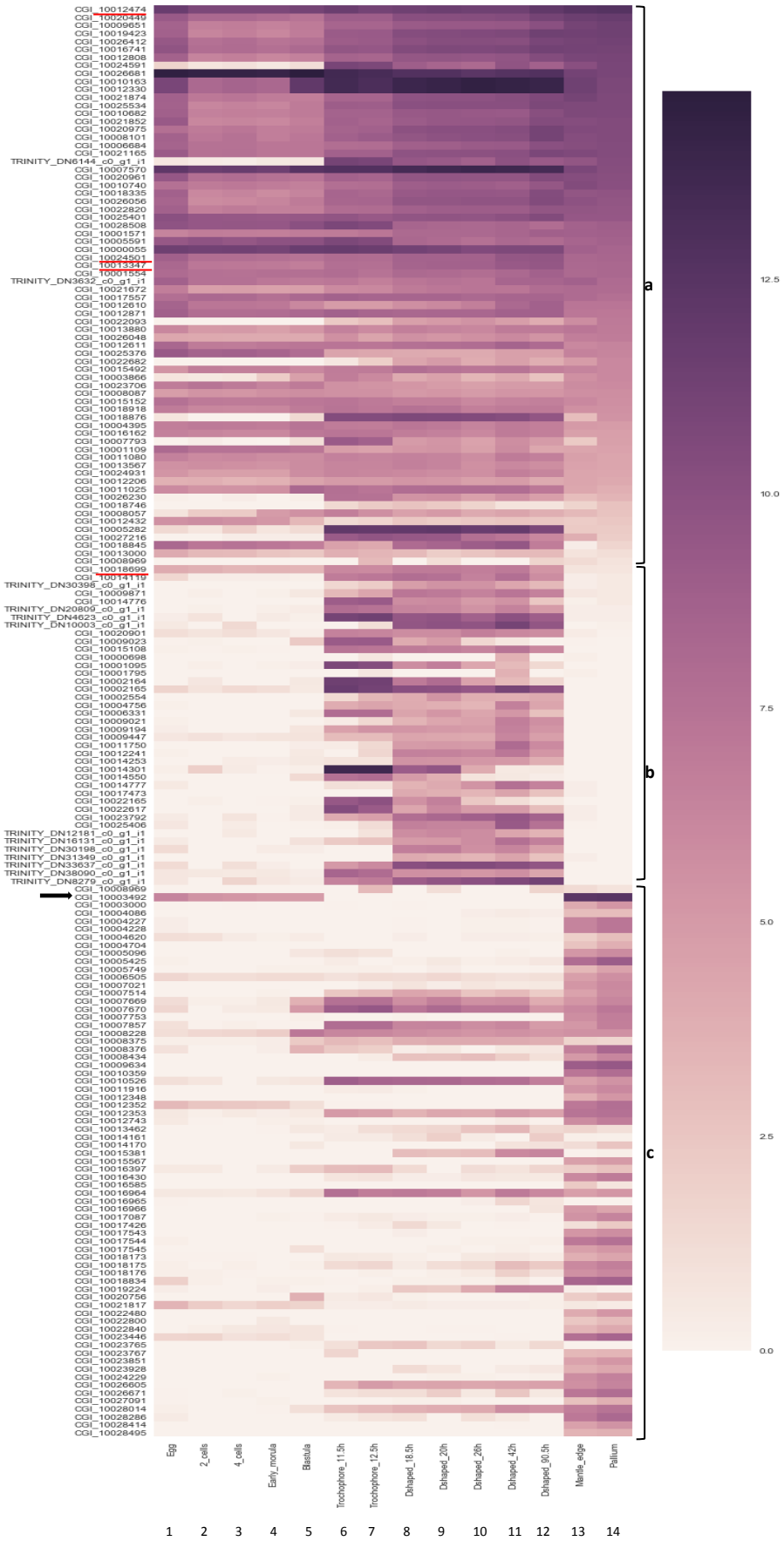


Fig. 2.2 Venn diagrams showing the number of shared and unshared shell matrix proteins between the larval and adult shells in *C. gigas* (A), and among larval, adult nacreous, and adult prismatic shells in *P. fucata* (B) (Zhao, et al. 2018).

### 2.3.2 Expression patterns of shell matrix protein genes in different developmental stages

Searched against the transcriptome database of *C. gigas* (Zhang, et al. 2012) and *P. fucata* (Takeuchi, et al. 2016), heatmaps showing the expression levels of the identified SMPs at each developmental stage in two species were drawn (Fig. 2.3). In Fig. 2.3A, SMPs of *C. gigas* which are highly expressed during both larval stages and adult stages comprise zone a, mainly by house-keeping genes and enzymatic proteins encoded genes, while other SMPs expressed at only larval stages and at only adult stages are located in zones b and c, respectively (Table 2.1). It is clear that expression patterns of larval SMPs are distinct from those of adult ones by gathering in zone a and zone b, with only one exception CGI\_10003492 (Black arrowhead), an actin gene which peculiarly steadily expressed in the pre-adult stages until trochophore stage and proved to be the strongest expressed gene among all identified 178 SMPs of *C. gigas*. On the other hand, except the CGI\_10008969, CGI\_10012474, CGI\_10013347 and CGI\_10024501, 4 SMPs identified in both larval and adult shells of *C. gigas*, all the other 67 adult SMPs are located in zone c (A). Similarly, in Fig. 2.3B, except the 4 common proteins for both larval and adult shells of *P. fucata* which intensely expressed at pre-adult stages and adult stages in zone a, expression patterns of larval SMPs of (Table 2.2) in zone b explicitly discriminate to those of adult ones in zone c.

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Fig2.3 Heatmaps showing the expression levels of the gene models for the identified SMPs in different developmental stages of *C. gigas* (A) and *P. fucata* (B). Gene models identified in both larval and adult shell proteomes, only in larval proteome, and only in adult proteome are classified into categories a, b, and c, respectively. (A) 1: egg; 2: 2 cells; 3: 4 cells; 4: early morula; 5: blastula; 6: trochophore 11.5 h; 7: trochophore 12.5 h; 8: D-shaped 18.5 h; 9: D-shaped 20 h; 10: D-shaped 26 h; 11: D-shaped 42 h; 12: D-shaped 90.5 h; 13: mantle edge; 14: pallium. (B) 1: egg; 2: 2 cells; 3: 4 cells; 4: early morula; 5: blastula; 6: trochophore 11 h; 7: trochophore 13 h; 8: D-shaped 21 h; 9: D-shaped 24 h; 10: D-shaped 55 h; 11: D-shaped 69 h; 12: D-shaped 96 h; 13: mantle edge; 14: outer pallium; 15: middle pallium; 16: inner pallium. Note that in *C. gigas*, a number of SMPs are highly expressed in both larval and adult stages. Common SMPs for larval and adult are underlined. Black arrow points an actin gene identified in larval shell of *C. gigas* (Zhao, et al. 2018).

### 2.3.3 Comparisons between larval and adult SMPs in each of the two species

To identify the contents of larval shell proteins and their possible roles in biomineralization, BLAST searches on the protein sequences obtained were performed. BLAST results show that, for *C. gigas* and *P. fucata*, 76 of 111 and 16 of 31 of identified larval SMPs are homologous to previously characterized proteins, respectively, including some well-known SMPs, such as Nacrein and PIF. In contrast to those of *P. fucata*, the larval SMPs of *C. gigas* are characterized by including a number of enzymes involved in diverse metabolic pathways, house-keeping gene products such as elongation factor 1 alpha and ribosomal proteins, as well as some possible structural proteins such as myosin, actin and tubulin, though this condition is consistent with the fact that the adult counterparts are also represented by those house-keeping proteins (Zhang, et al. 2012). This observation suggests that not only adult shells (Wang, et al. 2013b) but also larval shells may be formed under the cell-mediated processes in *C. gigas*. Comparisons between the larval and adult SMPs indicate that they are strikingly different in both species (Fig. 2.4 and Table 2.3). Within species, 4 entries retrieved from both larval and adult shells (Fig. 2.1) are ATP synthase subunit alpha, ATP synthase subunit beta, Elongation factor 1 alpha, L-ascorbate oxidase and Collagen alpha-5(VI) chain, Valine-rich protein, Mantle protein, pfu\_aug2.0\_2162.1\_08762.t1 (unknown) for *C.gigas* and *P. fucata*, respectively (Fig. 2.4, Table 2.3). Although in the blast search results, common genes between larval and adult shells also include Nacrein, PIF, Peptidyl-prolyl cis-trans isomerase B and Nacrein, PIF, Beta-hexosaminidase in *C. gigas* and *P. fucata*,

respectively (Fig. 2.4), gene IDs and sequences of these proteins are distinct between the larva and the adult (Table 2.3, Figs. 2.8, 2.9), which indicates different homologs of these gene families are recruited by larval and adult shells. On the other hand, across species, larval shells are amazingly as dissimilar as their adult counterparts. Common SMPs take up 4.2% (6/142) between larval shells and 4.8% (11/230) between adult shells, despite the number is bargained by the fact that more than five times of SMPs have been identified in the adult shell of *P. fucata* compared with in its larval shell.

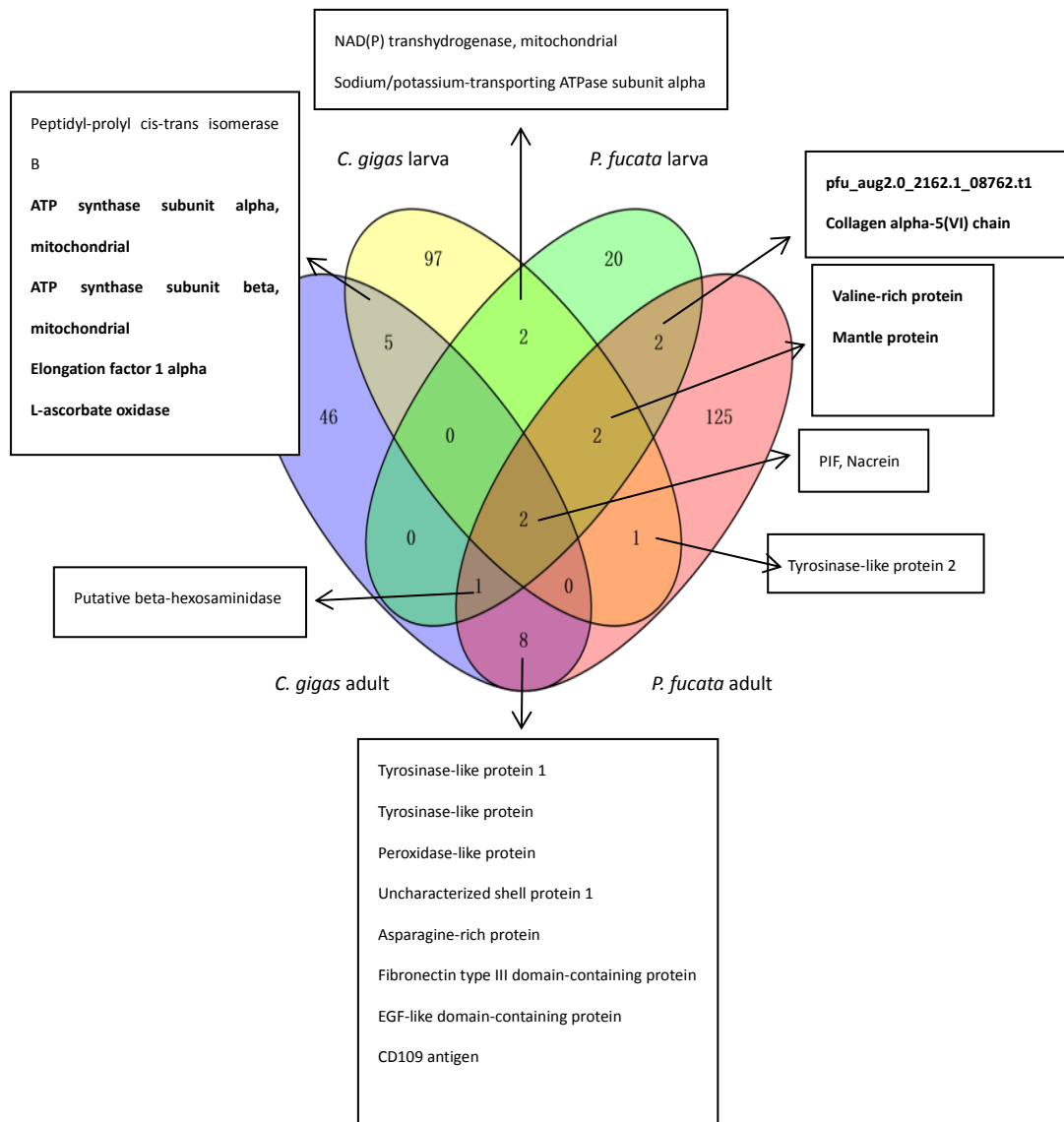


Figure 2.4 Comparisons of larval and adult SMPs of *C. gigas* and *P. fucata*. Proteins shown in bold characters represent SMPs identified in both larval and adult shells. Nacrein, PIF, Peptidyl-prolyl cis-trans isomerase B and Nacrein, PIF, Beta-hexosaminidase were identified in both larval and adult shell of *C. gigas* and *P. fucata*, respectively (Fig. 3), while gene IDs and sequences encode these proteins are different between larval and adult shells (Table 3). Venn diagram was drawn using *VENNY 2.1* (<http://bioinfogp.cnb.csic.es/tools/venny/>).

### 2.3.4 Common domains between larval and adult SMPs

In order to infer possible functions of identified SMPs, domain searches were performed. Similar to the results of BLAST searches, the predicted domains of larval and adult shell matrix proteins are rather diverse by showing only 9 and 5 common domains between larval and adult SMPs for each species, respectively (Figs. 2.5a, b). Essential roles in the shell formation processes are suggested for three domains, carbohydrate-binding domain 14 (CBM\_14), von Willebrand factor type A (VWA), carbonic anhydrase (CA), by their presence in the larval and adult shells of both species. Chitin provides the framework for CaCO<sub>3</sub> crystallization. CBM\_14 is known as the Chitin binding Peritrophin-A domain. VWA-containing proteins are extracellular and characterized to be involved in forming multiprotein complexes. CA is a metalloenzyme that is critical for the hydration of carbon dioxide, CO<sub>2</sub> + H<sub>2</sub>O → HCO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> + H<sup>+</sup> (equation 1), which provides bicarbonate ions that directly react with Ca<sup>2+</sup> to form CaCO<sub>3</sub>. These three domains and the proteins containing them should be indispensable in the formation of both larval and adult shells (Figs. 2.4, 2.5d). In addition, although not shared by both larval and adult shells in both species, there are some other domains which might play important roles in the formation of biominerals, including Glycoside hydrolase family 20 (glycol\_hydro\_20), EF-hand, Lytic polysaccharide mono-oxygenase (LPMO\_10), and Tyrosinase (Fig. 2.5). Glycoside hydrolases assist in the hydrolysis of glycosidic bonds in complex sugars. Glycol\_hydro\_20 might thus be in charge of the degradation of chitin, one of the most essential polysaccharides in shell formation. EF-hand is another domain common to larval and adult SMPs, although EF-hand\_5 is employed for the larval shells of *C. gigas* and EF-hand\_1 for others. With a Ca<sup>2+</sup> binding short loop region, EF-hand domains are found in a large family of calcium-binding proteins, including extracellular signaling proteins, such as calmodulin, troponin C and S100B. LPMO\_10 degrades cellulose, which resemble chitin in structure. Tyrosinase is thought to function in the periostracum formation in *P. fucata* (Zhang and Zhang 2006).

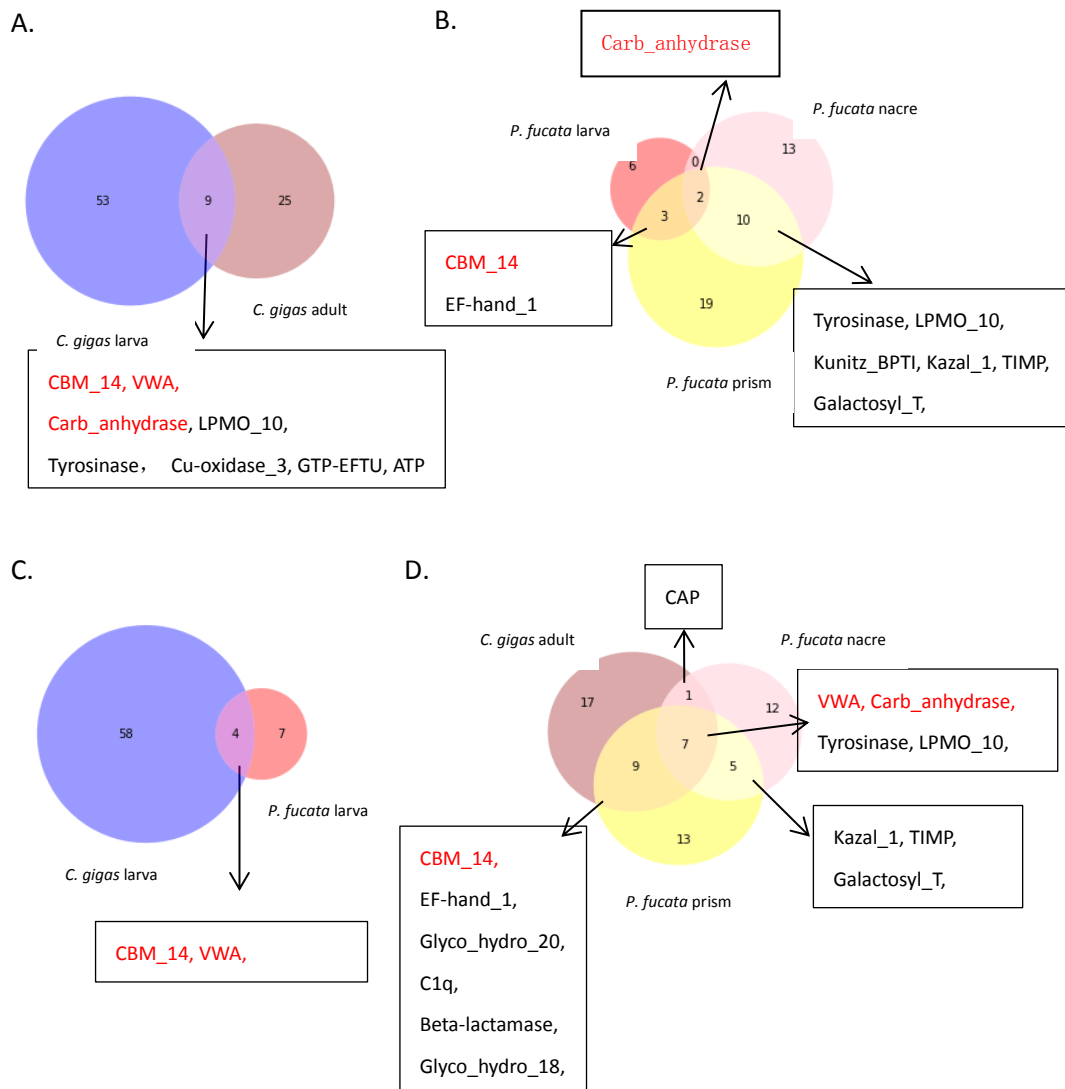


Fig. 2.5 Comparisons of domains included in the larval and adult SMPs of *C. gigas* and *P. fucata*. A, Nine domains are shared between larval and adult shells of *C. gigas*. B, Five domains are shared between larval and adult shells of *P. fucata*. C, Four domains are shared between the larval shells of *C. gigas* and *P. fucata*. D, Seventeen domains are shared between the adult shells of *C. gigas* and *P. fucata*. Common domains shared by both larva and adult of two species are colored in red.

The domains common to larval shells of both species include NAD(P) transhydrogenase beta subunit (PNTB), which is supposed to play important roles for larval shell formation in addition to CBM\_14, VWA and CA (Fig. 2.5c). Considering the transition of H<sup>+</sup> in the reaction it catalyzes, despite its original role in anabolic pathways, NAD(P) transhydrogenase might help remove the H<sup>+</sup> produced by hydration of CO<sub>2</sub> and precipitation of CaCO<sub>3</sub> ( $\text{Ca}^{2+} + \text{HCO}_3^- \rightarrow \text{CaCO}_3 + \text{H}^+$ ; equation 2), and therefore would assist both the equations 1 and 2 to proceed toward right. A shell protein with NAD(P) binding domain has also been identified in the brachiopod *Laqueus rubellus* (Isowa, et al. 2015), whose shell is also comprised of calcium carbonate.

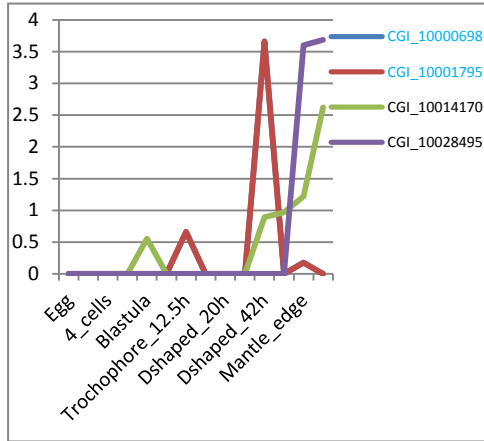
Besides those domains shared between larval shells, adult SMPs show some domains common to both species, domains which are already suggested to have diverse possible functions among shell proteins, such as Glyco\_hydro\_18, Fibronectin type III domain (fn3), CAP, Trypsin and Trypsin inhibitor Kunitz\_BPTI (Fig. 2.5d). Also, some domains, which were not identified in the previous published proteome of the adult shell of *P. fucata* (Liu, et al. 2015) were identified in our database, such as glycol\_hydro\_20, EF-hand and Kunitz. Above all, although domains identified from larval SMPs are different from those of the adult counterparts, comparable members exist, and appear to have been recruited to fulfill primary biomineralization processes such as framework organization, ion concentration control, and crystal growth.

### 2.3.5 Larval and adult SMPs show different expression patterns during development

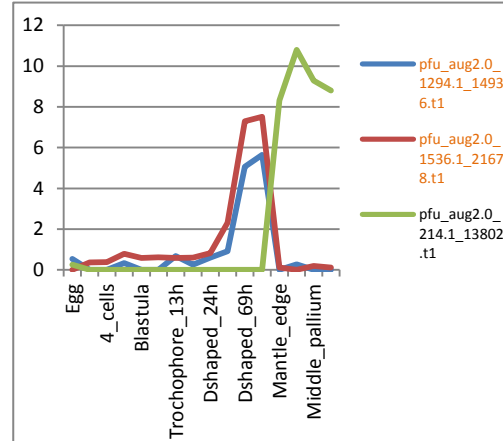
Considering the very limited concurrence of common SMPs between larval and adult shells in both species, it seems that each species possesses two “versions” of SMP repertoires, and this discrepancy appears to be extended to the realm of gene families whose members encode similar domains. For instance, we noticed that in the carbonic anhydrase gene families, multiple homologs occur in larval and adult shells, including the larval SMPs, CGI\_10000698 and CGI\_10001795, which are annotated to be Nacrein-like proteins, as well as the adult SMPs, CGI\_10014170 and CGI\_10028495. Their amino acid sequences are rather different as the alignment illustrates (Fig. 2.8). In the region of CA domain, sequences of the larval Nacrein are highly similar to each other and are distinguishable from those of adult ones, indicating that gene duplications may have occurred in each of the larval and adult CA-containing SMP genes. A similar condition is also observed in other genes, including those encoding PIF, Tyrosinase and Beta-hexosaminidase (Table 2.3), which contain the supposedly essential shell formation related domains, i. e., Chitin-binding, VWA, and Tyrosinase, respectively. SMPs identified in larval shells and in adult shells show clearly distinguishable expression patterns (Figs 2.6 A-I). The expression levels of larval SMPs show the peak at the D-shape larval stage or before that, and are apparently reduced or disappeared in the adult stage at the mantle edge and the mantle pallium, which are the main tissues in charge of the adult shell formation. In contrast, the gene expressions of most adult SMPs are barely detected in the larval stages, but are steeply increased in the adult shell forming tissues. As a few exceptions, the gene models encoding PIF, namely, CGI\_10012352 and CGI\_10028014, are relatively strongly expressed from the trochophore stage to D-shape stage, and their expression levels are indeed further increased in the mantle edge and pallium (Fig. 2.6C). An exception was also observed from CGI\_10007857, a Beta-hexosaminidase/Chitobiase identified from the adult shell of *C. gigas*, which exhibits even higher level of expression in the larval stages than that of the adult stage (Fig. 2.6 E). Taken together, larval and adult SMPs repertoires are unambiguously

distinguishable, and within the same gene families, larval and adult homologs follow different and stage-specific expression patterns.

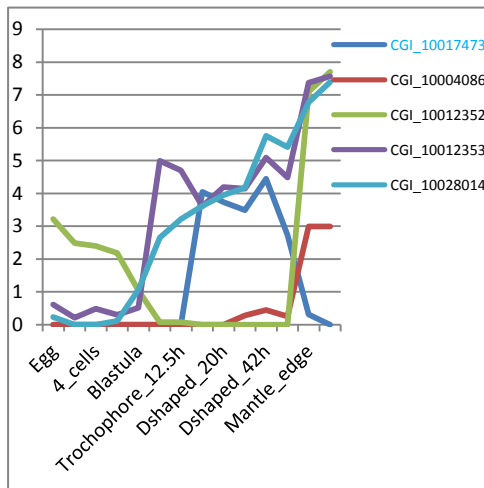
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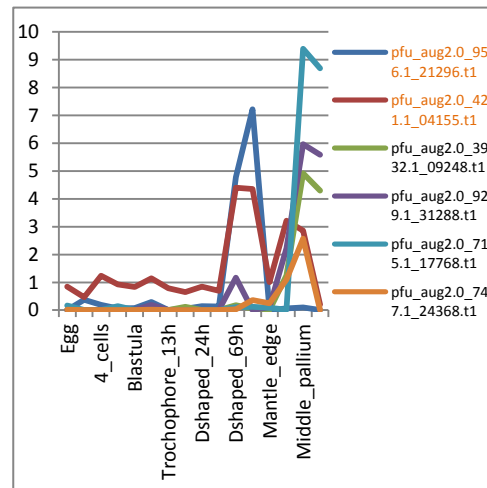
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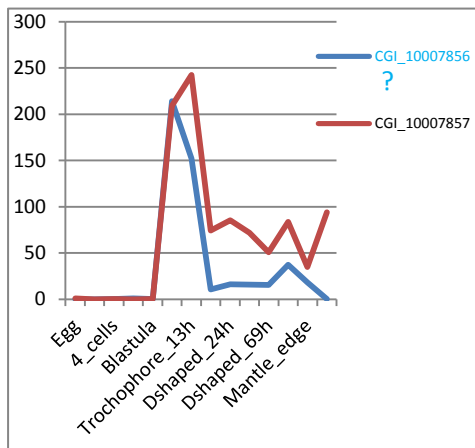
C. PIF (*C. gigas*)



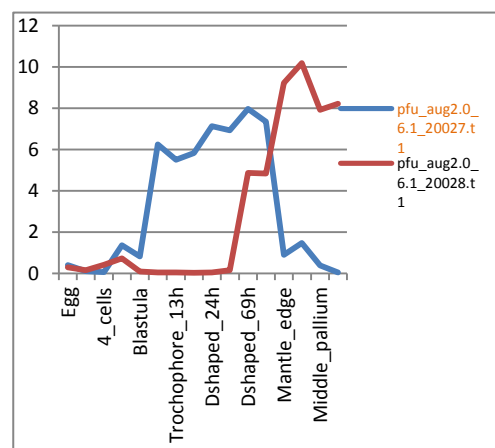
D. PIF (*P. fucata*)



E. Beta-hexosaminidase (*C. gigas*)

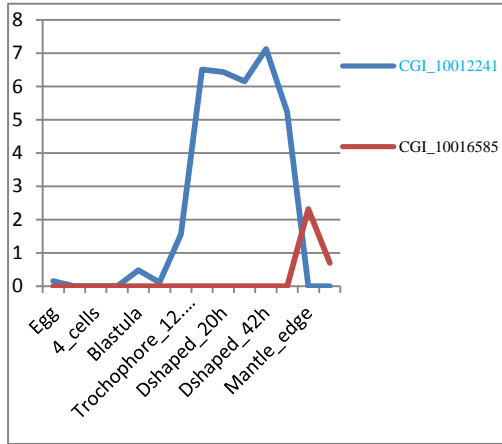


F. Beta-hexosaminidase (*P. fucata*)

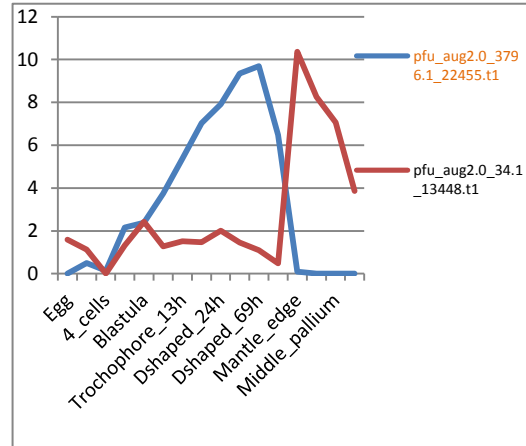




G. EF-hand domain-containing proteins (*C. gigas*)



H. EF-hand domain-containing proteins (*C. gigas*)



I. Tyrosinase (*C. gigas*)

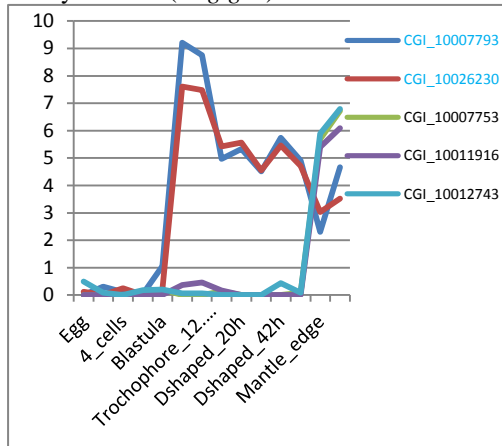


Fig. 2.6 Comparisons of the expression patterns of larval and adult SMPs within gene families. A and B, expression levels of gene models encoding Nacrein-like or Nacrein in *C. gigas* and *P. fucata*, respectively. C and C, expression levels of gene models encoding PIF in *C. gigas* and *P. fucata*, respectively. E, expression of Beta-hexosaminidases in *C. gigas*. Question mark indicates the gene was picked out by BLAST search against the genome of *C. gigas*, and if the gene is a SMP is questionable. F, expression levels of gene models encoding Beta-hexosaminidase in *P. fucata*. G, EF-hand domain-containing proteins in *C. gigas*. H, expression of EF-hand domain-containing proteins in *P. fucata*. I, expression levels of gene models encoding Tyrosinase in *C. gigas*. Gene models shown in blue characters and in orange characters represent larval SMPs of *C. gigas* and of *P. fucata*, respectively (Takeuchi, et al. 2012; Takeuchi, et al. 2016; Zhang, et al. 2012; Zhao, et al. 2018).

### 2.3.6 Larval shell matrix proteins and their putative functions

Based on the supposed functions inferred from the known homologous proteins and from the domains they contain, the identified larval SMPs can be roughly sorted into several groups: extracellular matrix (ECM) related, enzymes, acidic (low *pI* and/or D-rich) calcium binding, house-keeping, and others, which are not homologous to any previously characterized proteins or do not contain any identifiable domains (Tables 2.1, 2.2). In this section, SMPs from the two species will be discussed separately and previously discussed SMPs will only be mentioned briefly.

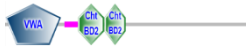
#### 2.3.6.1 Larval SMPs of *Crassostrea gigas*

**Extracellular shell matrix (ECM) related proteins:** chitin-binding proteins, proteins involved in Wnt signaling and other proteins with extracellular domains. Four proteins contain chitin-binding domain, including PIF, Collagen, and two unknown proteins. Pif, the precursor of Pif97 and Pif80, contains VWA and chitin-binding domains, whose importance in the nacre formation has been confirmed (Suzuki, et al. 2009). CGI\_10017473 is 26% identical to *Pinctada margaritifera* Pif97 and contains a VWA domain and two chitin-binding domains. Its chitin-binding domains are preceded by a T-rich motif (aa148-181; 65% T), which is not found in any of the four adult Pif homologs. However, similar arrangement of chitin-binding domain and T-rich motif has been reported in three Pif-like proteins of *Lottia gigantea* (Mann, et al. 2012). CGI\_10009194 shows similarity to Collagen alpha-4(VI) with 22% identity, whose four VWA domains are followed by a chitin-binding domain (Fig. 2.7A). The triple helical structure of collagen prevents it from being broken down by enzymes, it enables adhesiveness of cells and it is important for the proper assembly of the extracellular matrix (Cunniffe and O'Brien 2011). Similar functions can be expected in molluscan shells. CGI\_10014550 and CGI\_10004756 are not homologous to any characterized protein. The presence of the signal peptide indicates that they are secreted into the extracellular shell matrix to take part in the formation of chitin framework. Besides chitin-binding domain, the former also contains a Laminin G (LamG) domain. As the important active part of lamina,

laminin glycoproteins are secreted and incorporated into cell-associated extracellular matrices, influencing cell differentiation, migration and adhesion by providing a network foundation for cells and organs (Timpl, et al. 1979). This protein might play an essential role in the shell matrix in a similar way. Embryonic processes controlled by Wnt signaling are necessary for proper formation of important tissues including bones, heart and muscles. CGI\_10011025 shows high overall sequence similarity (88%) to Sperm-associated antigen 6 with an Armadillo domain. Armadillo/beta-catenin-like repeat mediates interaction of beta-catenin with its ligands, involved in transducing the Wnt signal during embryonic development (Peifer, et al. 1994; Peifer, et al. 1991). Another putative Wnt signaling related protein is CGI\_10012432 that contains a signal peptide and two transmembrane domains, which display a 50% identity to a human Smoothed homolog, a Frizzled protein that serves as cell-surface receptor for Wnts (Malbon 2004). CGI\_10018845 is 34% identical to human Periostin, which contains two Fasciclin (FAS1) domains. This gene is on average 29 folds and 5 folds highly expressed during early developmental stages (from Trochophore 11.5 h to D-shape 90.5 h) compared with mantle edge and pallium, respectively. FAS1 is an extracellular domain present in many secreted and membrane-anchored proteins (Huber and Sumper 1994). Similar to the fibronectin-like proteins with type III domain that are highly expressed in the mantle, FAS1 domain containing proteins mediate cell adhesion through an interaction with integrin (Kim, et al. 2000).

A.

Protein PIF



Collagen alpha-4(VI) chain



CGI\_10014550 (Unknown)



CGI\_10004756 (Unknown)

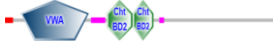


B.

Protein PIF



Protein PIF



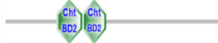
PINFU\_Pif97



Collagen alpha-5(VI) chain



Histone-lysine N-methyltransferase SETMAR



— 100 aa  
— Signal peptide  
— Low complexity domain

Fig. 2.7 Schematic representations of SMPs containing chitin-binding domains identified by SMART searches. A, SMPs with chitin-binding domain in *C. gigas*. B, SMPs with chitin-binding domain in *P. fucata*. PINFU\_Pif97 is a PIF homolog found in adult *P. fucata*. VWA: von Willebrand factor type A domain; ChtBD2: carbohydrate-binding domain 2 domain; LamG: Laminin G domain.

**Enzymatic proteins:** SMPs grouped in this category include CA, NADP, NAD(P) transhydrogenase, redox enzymes, tyrosinases, isomerases, and others. Carbonic anhydrase is considered to be one of the most important enzymes in  $\text{CaCO}_3$  biomineralization for its ability to catalyze hydration of carbon dioxide in the water to form hydrogen carbonate. In molluscs, Nacrein is the first isolated and characterized SMP containing carbonic anhydrase domains, a protein which has been identified in both nacreous and prismatic layers of pearl oysters (Miyamoto, et al. 1996; Miyashita 2000) and in various other molluscs (Mann, et al. 2012; Marie, et al. 2011a; Miyamoto, et al. 1996; Miyamoto, et al. 2003; Norizuki and Samata 2008). The gene models CGI\_10000698 and CGI\_10001795 containing a CA domain are homologous to *Mytilus californianus* Nacrein-like protein gene (Fig. 2.8). NAD(P) transhydrogenase and Sodium/potassium-transporting ATPase subunit alpha are the only two SMPs found in the larval shell of both species while not in their adult counterparts (Fig. 2.4, Table 2.3). In previous section, we have discussed the potential role of NAD(P) transhydrogenase in regulating hydrogen ion concentration in the formation of  $\text{CaCO}_3$ , although further experiments are required to corroborate it. In addition to the classical function in ion transporting, Sodium/potassium-transporting ATPase has also been shown to mediate the extracellular signal transduction through protein-protein interaction (Tian, et al. 2006) and to control neuron activity states (Zylbental, et al. 2017); consequently, it may not simply be a “house-keeping” protein for ion gradient. Some other redox enzymes are also found in larval shell, including Ferric-chelate reductase 1 and L-ascorbate oxidase, one of the 4 common SMPs identified in both larval and adult shells, as well as two tyrosinases. Ferric-chelate reductase 1 contains a reeler domain, which is found in association with fibronectin type III domain and the Kunitz trypsin protease inhibitor domain. L-ascorbate oxidase acid, also known as Vitamin C, performs numerous physiological functions, such as synthesis of collagen, catabolism of tyrosine, and a prominent role in immune system (Gropper and Smith 2012; Wintergerst, et al. 2006). As the oxidase that controls the production of melanin, tyrosinases have been reported in several molluscan shells (Mann, et al. 2012; Marie, et al. 2012; Nagai, et al. 2007) and non-pigmented pallial

mantle (Zhang, et al. 2012), indicating that its function should not be restricted to the oxidation of tyrosine, and it might be necessary for biomineralization too. Indeed, tyrosinase was suggested to take part in the formation of periostracum (Zhang and Zhang 2006) which seals the extrapallial space from the environment, consequently allowing the accumulation of ions in sufficient concentration for crystallization to occur. In summary, despite further pieces of evidence are required, plenty of redox enzymes are supposed to join in the process of shell generation besides whose original parts in the embryonic generation of nervous system or immune system. Several isomerases and chaperonins have been found as well. Isomerases convert a molecule from one isomer to another, which facilitate the intracellular rearrangement in which bonds are broken or formed. Chaperonins are believed to display a sort of enzymatic function to add protein folding correctly, thus prevent aggregation. Although functions of these proteins here are unknown, by recalling that cyclophilin-type peptidyl-prolyl isomerases were detected in different shells (Jackson, et al. 2009; Marie, et al. 2013), as well as the severe osteogenesis imperfecta induced by cyclophilin deficiency in mice (Choi, et al. 2009), similar functions of these proteins in the proper shell calcification activity can be deduced. Other enzymatic proteins are also included in the larval shell, such as ATPase, ATP synthase and glycosyltransferase etc. The presence of signal peptide and the D-rich domain of CGI\_10003866, a homolog of Zinc transporter ZIP12, a membrane transport protein that regulates zinc intracellular and cytoplasmic concentrations, indicates its extracellular destination and potential roles related to metalloenzymes, such as carbonic anhydrase, the active site of which contains a zinc ion.

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CGI_10000698.prj      0 ----- 0
CGI_10001795.prj     1 MARQSMQEVLDLNINIVSFLILINIFVRYEKQIHSTRGQYIEGQKANKRQPGQGSIHILPFI 60
CGI_10014170.prj     0 ----- 0
CGI_10028495.prj     0 ----- 0
M. californianus Nacrein-like.prj 0 ----- 0

CGI_10000698.prj      0 ----- 0
CGI_10001795.prj    61 KRAHAWWGLNCDRAMVGAHGLIAFGIL-VAVLDPARGTSLYNDPRPINDCCSGC-LTSE 118
CGI_10014170.prj     1 -----MA--QCLSSVLLMIS-LGTVLGAGFLGVRFQSNDR-CR-YDDINE 41
CGI_10028495.prj     0 ----- 0
M. californianus Nacrein-like.prj 0 ----- 0

CGI_10000698.prj      0 ----- 0
CGI_10001795.prj   119 AYPGYTDAICHSEHHEEITSDNHYCGSSIQS-PINILKSVSTYREDLEEYEDLFEELCL 177
CGI_10014170.prj    42 AHFSYDQNHCESEHHEEITSDNHYCGSSNIQSPINILKSVSTYREDLEEYEDLFEELHL 98
CGI_10028495.prj     0 ----- 0
M. californianus Nacrein-like.prj 1 -----RSEKNDCKVHPCHHEITCGSQMRQSPINILKSVSTYREDLEEYEDLFEELHL 47

CGI_10000698.prj      0 ----- 0
CGI_10001795.prj   178 IIFHINNNGHSEHHEEITSE--EA-----VGLVDFLPQCK-EIIEFVHLIHSSES- 226
CGI_10014170.prj    99 IYVHINNNGHSEHHEEITSE--EA-----VGLVDFLPQCK-EIIEFVHLIHSSES- 157
CGI_10028495.prj     0 ----- 0
M. californianus Nacrein-like.prj 48 IYVHINNNGHSEHHEEITSE--EA-----VGLVDFLPQCK-EIIEFVHLIHSSES- 100

CGI_10000698.prj      0 ----- 0
CGI_10001795.prj   227 ---H---ESEHHEEITSE--EA-----VGLVDFLPQCK-EIIEFVHLIHSSES- 276
CGI_10014170.prj   158 TSDSNINDEESEHHEEITSE--EA-----VGLVDFLPQCK-EIIEFVHLIHSSES- 216
CGI_10028495.prj     0 ----- 0
M. californianus Nacrein-like.prj 101 -----ESEHHEEITSE--EA-----VGLVDFLPQCK-EIIEFVHLIHSSES- 147

CGI_10000698.prj      1 -----MR---NYRSVVTIYFDLFEHHEEITSE--EA-----VGLVDFLPQCK-EIIEFVHLIHSSES- 48
CGI_10001795.prj   277 DDDDESG--DVEEERNDK---D---EHEHHEEITSE--EA-----VGLVDFLPQCK-EIIEFVHLIHSSES- 327
CGI_10014170.prj   217 CSLIEGKMNEKFKYRKHCKYRKRTRKCGSEAKRLSDNMEHYFEEIRNHDPE---VKPDLSESS 273
CGI_10028495.prj     0 ----- 0
M. californianus Nacrein-like.prj 148 Y----GRSKE---HDDCACDGEITVIVVFKIIEKLMKYYEKVRRY-PLVSNPHFLTFI 199

CGI_10000698.prj      49 IINDCPGSSKCFEN---V---EPRVY---EPRKRCRVY-APKLSYLM---EKVY---KIR 96
CGI_10001795.prj   328 IINDCPGSSKCFEN---V---EPRVY---EPRKRCRVY-APKLSYLM---EKVY---KIR 375
CGI_10014170.prj   274 IINDCPGSSKCFEN---V---EPRVY---EPRKRCRVY-APKLSYLM---EKVY---KIR 324
CGI_10028495.prj     1 ---MAALYWLAFLESLCHLTV-EGAG-ILGQ-MPHHGSSC-VYDIIENAH 43
M. californianus Nacrein-like.prj 200 KLPKRCWYNKCFEN---V---EPRVY---EPRKRCRVY-APKLSYLM---EKVY---KIR 250

CGI_10000698.prj      97 Y--VNNVADGLDLP---E---V---EPRVY---EPRKRCRVY-APKLSYLM---EKVY---KIR 126
CGI_10001795.prj   376 Y--VNNVADGLDLP---E---V---EPRVY---EPRKRCRVY-APKLSYLM---EKVY---KIR 405
CGI_10014170.prj   325 F--VYIA-GSFTPPYETVQIVVFKC---EITVSKRAYANLQLVQDSNEDL---KLLGV 376
CGI_10028495.prj    44 FSHDEETCRPEKRWCCLHKHAKICGSTRRQSPINLDTSEARTINANKLYNIEKRAHVF 103
M. californianus Nacrein-like.prj 251 RYVYIA-GSFTPPYETVQIVVFKC---EITVSKRAYANLQLVQDSNEDL---KLLGV 303

CGI_10000698.prj     127 -WYEFYCGSLTTPPC---EETVTE--NI-NM--CPKRV-SKRAKHSLSVVRD-VNEAKIK 176
CGI_10001795.prj   406 -WYEFYCGSLTTPPC---EETVTE--NI-NM--CPKRV-SKRAKHSLSVVRD-VNEAKIK 455
CGI_10014170.prj   377 KRRIMVCGEPPSLSE-DQLLEKRSN-SI-KVNNIGVLFMNLQTHPEVDFVDFLP 433
CGI_10028495.prj   104 YNRYEDISEAKPKDGLAVIGVHI-QAKSCCSNYWNYEYEHDEESKSRKCYESENH 162
M. californianus Nacrein-like.prj 304 RRPLCGEPPSLSE-DQLLEKRSN-SI-KVNNIGVLFMNLQTHPEVDFVDFLP 315

CGI_10000698.prj     177 KFG-----E---E---E---E---E---E---E---E---E---E---E---E---E---E 188
CGI_10001795.prj   456 KFG-----E---E---E---E---E---E---E---E---E---E---E---E---E---E 467
CGI_10014170.prj   434 FQQLAEDDEHSAILL---SMAFVVMGTVVHCLTRIP---TEWLIQSLMHELGEHVVNY 486
CGI_10028495.prj   163 SNTVIECGGITPADVLPYDQEFYIYPGSLITPPCYESVQWIVYKCPKRVSKRAKALQVVE 222
M. californianus Nacrein-like.prj 316 Y-----E---E---E---E---E---E---E---E---E---E---E---E---E---E 318

CGI_10000698.prj     189 ---D---D---EPPVIE-R-NFC---PDS-VSEET---EFCSDRRL---E---E---E---E---E 217
CGI_10001795.prj   468 ---D---D---EPPVIE-R-NFR---PDS-VSEET---EFCSDRRL---E---E---E---E---E 496
CGI_10014170.prj   487 SAMPDFIDMVSEGVHAIKPHLQDSSEELSEANV-CLFVLCYVYKKG--MRDNNANAD 543
CGI_10028495.prj   223 LIDNNPLKEHSEPPVIGTYIGTVSIAYGRAIVWGAVIPACIGGGCGGALMRVVKTI--- 279
M. californianus Nacrein-like.prj 319 -----H-----LK----- 321

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Fig. 2.8 Alignment of Nacrein-like proteins in *C. gigas*. CGI\_10000698 and CGI\_10001795 are larval SMPs. CGI\_10014170 and CGI\_10028495 are adult SMPs.

**Acidic proteins:** the existence of unusually acidic proteins has been known and confirmed by the pioneering work on the soluble proteins of the organic matrix of molluscan shells (Maurer, et al. 1996; Weiner 1979, 1983; Weiner and Hood 1975). However, because of the technical difficulties to isolate these proteins, until now only a few of them have been reported (Gotliv, et al. 2005; Marie, et al. 2013; Sarashina and Endo 1998; Suzuki, et al. 2009; Tsukamoto, et al. 2004) Although the function of which are poorly understood with only limited reports (Suzuki *et al.*, 2009; Takeuchi *et al.*, 2008), because their side chains are negatively charged under physiological environment, extreme acidic proteins ( $pI < 4.5$ ), usually with D-rich domains, are supposed to bind calcium ions easily (Jackson, et al. 2009). Here, we report several proteins with  $pI$ s between 4.3 and 5.0, among which CGI\_10012241 is the most acidic in the larval SMPs of *C. gigas*, with a predicted  $pI$  of 4.3, containing the typical canonical calcium-binding EF-hand domain (Kretsinger 1976).

**House-keeping proteins:** in this group, a total of 32 out of the 43 gene models grouped in this category lack a signal peptide, transmembrane domains or RLCDs, thus are not typical secreted or extracellular proteins that theoretically function in biomineralization. Although the extent of their contribution to the shell formation is argued, some of them including Actin, Tubulin, Elongation Factor 1a, and ribosomal proteins etc. have been observed in diverse metazoan calcified skeletons (Drake, et al. 2013; Isowa, et al. 2015; Jackson, et al. 2015; Mass, et al. 2014; Rahman, et al. 2013; Zhang, et al. 2012). Also, a speculation about a genuine function of actin that help cells move along their secretory tracks during the growth of brachiopod shell has been pointed out (Jackson, et al. 2015). Interestingly, except CGI\_10003492, all members of this group belong to zone a in Fig. 2.3 A, in other words, they show the typical expression pattern of house-keeping genes. As an actin, the expression pattern of CGI\_10003492 is rather curious. It is strongly expressed since the first cleavage till blastula stage, while the expression is paused when the first shell is formed at the trochophore stage, then the expression is restarted and even strengthened at the adult stage. However, this actin was identified in the larval shell, but not in the adult shell.



One explanation to this conflict is that after being translated in the very early stage, it is transported into the larval shell, while its destination at the adult stage is not the shell any more, but some other tissues.

**Other proteins:** this last group is comprised of 33 proteins, including homologs to Mantle protein, Valine-rich protein, Salivary glue protein Sgs-4, ER membrane protein complex subunit 4. A total of 29 proteins do not show a sequence similarity to any characterized proteins. In contrast to the identified house-keeping proteins, most of these proteins contain a signal peptide, transmembrane domains, or RLCDs, which vindicates their connection to the shell formation. However, none of them is predicted to hold a function known domain, thus their roles in the biomineralization processes still remain obscure.

### 2.3.6.2 Larval SMPs of *Pinctada fucata*

Detailed information of SMPs identified in larval shell of *P. fucata* is listed in Table 2.2. Proteins that have been discussed previously will only be mentioned briefly in this section.

**Extracellular shell matrix (ECM) related proteins:** Three proteins have been predicted to contain the VWA and chitin-binding domains, including PIF and Collagen alpha-5(VI) chain protein, which was found in both larval and adult shells of *P. fucata*. As the larval version of PIF, pfu\_aug2.0\_421.1\_04155.t1 and pfu\_aug2.0\_956.1\_21296.t1 are highly similar to each other, and show lower sequence similarities, 27% and 25%, to the adult Pif97, respectively (Fig. 2.9). pfu\_aug2.0\_303.1\_10585.t1 is another protein containing two consecutive chitin-binding domains, a sequence which is 31% identical (aa26-aa115) to human Histone-lysine N-methyltransferase SETMAR (Fig. 2.7 B). The SETMAR gene knockout line of mice exhibited abnormal retinal pigmentation or atypical peripheral blood lymphocyte parameters (Gardin and White 2011), however, the full length of human SETMAR gene does not contain a chitin-binding domain but SET domain and a transposase domain, which indicates the function of pfu\_aug2.0\_303.1\_10585.t1 may have no relationship to SETMAR anymore, and the sequence similarity might have come from a gene recombination event. pfu\_aug2.0\_921.1\_04697.t1 contains tandem Kazal domain repeats and a Membrane attack complex component/perforin (MACPF) domain. The former is known as the serine protease inhibitor and the latter is common to the membrane attack complex (MAC) proteins of the complement system (C6, C7, C8 $\alpha$ , C8 $\beta$  and C9) and perforin (PF), which play roles in immunity system, such as lysing virally infected and transformed cells and delivering of cytotoxic proteases that cause cell death (Rosado, et al. 2008; Voskoboinik, et al. 2006). In the wild, the shell protect the animal against the bacterial degradation and infection, these functions are supposed to be essential to survive in the complex seawater containing various infectious microbes. Pfu\_aug2.0\_853.1\_11237.t1 shows a 51% sequence similarity to *Acropora millepora* Mucin-like protein, and contains a

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pfu_aug2.0_421.1_04155.t1.prj      0 ----- 0
pfu_aug2.0_956.1_21296.t1.prj      0 ----- 0
PINFU_Pif97.prj                     1 MQVPSIRVVVLLTAVFCVGVKSECKTADVVVVVLDASDDVSDQDFDKLRKRAMMMVVRGLS 60

pfu_aug2.0_421.1_04155.t1.prj      1 -----MMHMFILVAVVGGVLSQEEGGSGEMGY 31
pfu_aug2.0_956.1_21296.t1.prj      0 ----- 0
PINFU_Pif97.prj                     61 IDDNQIRLGMVTVGSEVCCSIPLQGDRLDLAIFRYMKKPTGPKPFKGM---EARRMF 117

pfu_aug2.0_421.1_04155.t1.prj      32 ERGS---EMDFVAEGDGENFIPQNFESSSPSNVYIEVQPLGSVETAVTE-EGPQ-MA 85
pfu_aug2.0_956.1_21296.t1.prj      0 ----- 0
PINFU_Pif97.prj                     118 ESRGRYNVHITMNLGGITVDETVKDLMDDETDRKARDED-IKVMAIGLQKVRDRDEIESI- 175

pfu_aug2.0_421.1_04155.t1.prj      86 AYTDNSGDGMSLGISSSPEKSSSERDDDDYIF--PPYFK-RLNRLQ--KLENIEIKN 140
pfu_aug2.0_956.1_21296.t1.prj      0 ----- 0
PINFU_Pif97.prj                     176 EYDRDQ--AYFMDLDDLLIKVYELP---EYCKIKRA-ERPKVSGGKKSEPAKKVANG 228

pfu_aug2.0_421.1_04155.t1.prj      141 TNDNR-YNNIFWRRFR-NRNQNRDNGEFP--GP-YQEK--VPEFQNTKQDPPVIN 193
pfu_aug2.0_956.1_21296.t1.prj      0 ----- 0
PINFU_Pif97.prj                     229 PAGKSPGFDA--LRQSDRSD-KAKVYVFLDCLDAEWVGVGKESVETRCDFV-MCQ 283

pfu_aug2.0_421.1_04155.t1.prj      194 EKINKTEPPSLH--IQHFWVNLNDIPPTGPTPSVIPP-DM-DEITTEPT-TWE 248
pfu_aug2.0_956.1_21296.t1.prj      1 -----MYKMLILVILI--CLLDKIFTSMPGGIK 28
PINFU_Pif97.prj                     284 -NVSGSLRKTISKDFEYV-ISKQTSQVLTEDDCSDDLCKTMLLP-SREYDVSRAW 340

pfu_aug2.0_421.1_04155.t1.prj      249 IQTNVNPENTVNNENRRVIVAMVDKSNEA--FEELRDSLELLYSMRISERSVVF 306
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PINFU_Pif97.prj                     341 KCEKGSVARCCPSHAYEPGKCCFLDCLDRCPPKNDGDDDDSSDEDDDD-SIEYNP 399

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pfu_aug2.0_956.1_21296.t1.prj      199 SEFDCLRVESSLVQVQPTTTTTTTTTTTTTTTPAPTITTTTTTTTTTTP-PTTPKPN 257
PINFU_Pif97.prj                     519 SVEIKKPKKEDEDDCKNNDKDKLRMDEERPKVYLKAILRKRPRKDKIDDKRRHI 578

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pfu_aug2.0_956.1_21296.t1.prj      258 -----PCDCRMSNGAF-TRHPDCCKVFQCYFENNG-IKR-MVFGCCWGNF 303
PINFU_Pif97.prj                     579 DRNDIIDRRGRKDRRT-ERDDGKDRRLRKNDR-LDDIKRNDDEPMILIS-N-- 633

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pfu_aug2.0_956.1_21296.t1.prj      304 EESSLICPAHRVQCPTL--DPPEVL--FDLPSCRSFPAIQGDSISMCPEPT 358
PINFU_Pif97.prj                     634 -----E-DFELNDCFKS-IAITIGKRSAGFSVTSERDEVLEIDDKKIS-YLWK 685

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pfu_aug2.0_956.1_21296.t1.prj      359 MREPI-ECLEPEN-DKCPPEPSGQSPRIKRLSLKSKKRAKRLSLGAPVSPSK 416
PINFU_Pif97.prj                     686 EDGPRNPKKDFN--CRSDDRGYKPKKIDNDRKDRKRGDKRSDDK--GYWRK 741

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pfu_aug2.0_956.1_21296.t1.prj      477 KAKVRLNTESEFERKRPVYVYVNNITFGCVRM-EDGTSRLRVLELSNVDCRAVVL 535
PINFU_Pif97.prj                     802 GHIRGRDDREDKFLDGLKTTFSGFQIGGASNTEVFMDEVYIYEDPGKEADYDD 861

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PINFU_Pif97.prj                     862 EDDDDDDSDSCENDKDKKDGKTDKDKKDKKGRDCKRDLRDRKDRRDKKDKK 921

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PINFU_Pif97.prj                     982 NEHLYKRAMKICVYNN--VAKN-CKR- 1007

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Fig. 2.9 Alignment of PIFs in *P. fucata*. pfu\_aug2.0\_421.1\_04155.t1 and pfu\_aug2.0\_956.1\_21296.t1 are homologous to the adult Pif97 of *P. fucata*.

thrombospondin type-1 (TSP1) repeat. TSP1 is a matricellular glycoprotein that inhibits the proliferation and migration of endothelial cells by triggering a series of gene expression that leads to the activation of caspases and apoptosis of the cell (Haviv, et al. 2005; Morris and Kyriakides 2014). This antiangiogenic function strongly suggests that the protein may directly take part in controlling the shell synthesis by deciding the fate of cells elaborated. Pfu\_aug2.0\_976.1\_21307.t1 is 51% identical to *Sus scrofa* negative elongation factor D, containing a typical extracellular zona pellucida domain, which suggests its destination is the shell matrix. Homologs of *Bos taurus* Thyroglobulin are also identified. Thyroglobulin is the precursor of the thyroid hormones, which act on nearly every cell in the body, to increase the basal metabolic rate, to regulate the protein synthesis and the bone growth etc. Thyroid hormones have also been reported to induce the larval abalone metamorphosis (Fukazawa, et al. 2001).

**Enzymatic proteins:** Two homologs of Nacrein-like protein are identified. Alignment demonstrates that pfu\_aug2.0\_1536.1\_21678.t1 shows higher sequence similarity to the adult Nacrein and the *Pinctada maxima* Nacrein-like protein M than to its larval companion pfu\_aug2.0\_1294.1\_14936.t, indicating different ancestries for these proteins (Fig. 2.10). The gene model pfu\_aug2.0\_6.1\_20027.t1 is identical to beta-hexosaminidases of *Pinctada margaritifera* and contains the N-terminal domain of chitobias/beta-hexosaminidases (Fig. 2.11 and Table 2.2). Chitobias degrade chitin (Tews, et al. 1996), thus this protein might be recruited for remodeling chitin framework.

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PINMA_Nacrein-like protein M.prj    396 DGETLRYFTTRRPTQENKVIYKRFK- 421

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Fig. 2.10 Alignment of Nacreins in *P. fucata*. pfu\_aug2.0\_1294.1\_14936.t1 and pfu\_aug2.0\_1536.1\_21678.t1 are larval SMPs, while pfu\_aug2.0\_214.1\_13802.t1 is adult SMP. Either of which is homologous to the Nacrein-like protein of *Pinca data maxima*.

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HEX_PINMG.prj 785 SVNN--IVSGLIINTVTEVNN--LNSSKVLGCISRFKELIMHED--LKR-- 833

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HEX_PINMG.prj 1102 MQR-ALQPR--SK--IPCTGGAAGCG--SRTPCA-- 1135

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Fig. 2.11 Alignment of beta-hexosaminidase in *P. fucata*. Larval SMP pfu\_aug2.0\_6.1\_20027.t1 and adult SMP pfu\_aug2.0\_6.1\_20028.t1 both show sequence similarities to the putative beta-hexosaminidase of *Pinctada margaritifera*.

**Acidic proteins:** Three extremely acidic proteins have been found in the larval shell of *P. fucata*. pfu\_aug2.0\_3272.1\_09093.t1 and pfu\_aug2.0\_2162.1\_08762.t1 are secreted D-rich proteins with pIs of 4.2 and 3.8, respectively. Instead of the acidic D- or E-rich domains, pfu\_aug2.0\_3796.1\_22455.t1, encoding a protein with a pI of 4.4, contains an S-rich domain (aa 95-119, 32%) and two calcium-binding EF-hand domains.

**Other proteins:** This group is comprised of 13 members including 3 entries, which are identical to melanoma-associated antigen (MAGE)-like protein 2, Valine-rich protein, and Mantle protein respectively, and the 10 remaining entries are not homologous to any known proteins. pfu\_aug2.0\_3412.1\_09131.t1 shows a rather high similarity (52%) to mouse melanoma-associated antigen (MAGE)-like protein 2. However, the sequence similarity mainly comes from the matching of three repetitive amino acids, P, V and Q. Moreover, in mammals, members of MAGE gene family are described as completely silent in normal tissues, with exception of male germ cells, and, for some of them, placenta. By contrast, these genes are expressed in various kinds of tumors (Chomez, et al. 2001). Therefore, it is insufficient to claim that this protein is a molluscan MAGE-like protein. However, such a protein reminds us a hypothesis that functional motifs are rescued as “building blocks” by different “mosaic” proteins (Marin, et al. 2007).

## 2.4 Conclusions

Unlike adult shells containing diverse polymorphs of  $\text{CaCO}_3$ , molluscan larval shells all contain aragonite and similar microstructures (Carriker 1979; Eyster 1982; Eyster 1986; LaBarbera 1974; Waller 1981; Weiss, et al. 2002). By comparing the larval and adult SMP repertoires of two revolutionarily closely related species, we found some common genes that might play important roles in the larval shell formation, including Nacrein-like proteins, PIF, and NAD(P) transhydrogenase etc. (Fig. 2.4). Nevertheless, we cannot simply conclude larval shells share more intrinsic similarities than their adult counterparts, because the majority of larval SMPs are still diverse between two species and most of those larval common genes have also been found in their adult shells (Fig. 2.4 and adult shells of other molluscan species (LaBarbera 1974; Marie, et al. 2013). Therefore, aragonite precipitation in molluscan larva could be unrelated to the contents of SMPs. On the other hand, for the same species, SMPs repertoires of larval and adult shell are amazingly different to each other (Figs. 2.4, 2.5), even within gene families containing the same domains, different members with definitely distinct expression patterns are recruited by larval and adult shells (Fig. 2.5, Table 2.3), which indicates the larval and the adult shell have evolved independently from each other.

This first attempt for extracting molluscan larval SMPs seems effective through identifying a considerable sum of proteins possibly involved in the biomineralization process directly or indirectly, nevertheless, we do not consider the ones recorded here represent all proteins contained in the shells. Some of them, including such proteins as highly acidic proteins, may not be detected due to a lack of the trypsin cleavage sites, while proteins which have been identified might be occluded from the datasets because of the relatively high criteria applied in this study compared with those in some of previous researches (Liu, et al. 2015; Zhang, et al. 2012). By demonstrating the different SMPs repertoires between larval and adult shells, and identifying genes expressed in larval shells uniquely, we hope to provide some new clues to the establishment of molluscan shell formation models and the functional analyses of



various SMPs, e.g. *in vivo* gene manipulation experiments, in the future.

Several shell formation models have been proposed until now: the classical model of molluscan shell formation postulates that the mineralization occurs in a mantle-secreted matrix, where the acidic proteins-controlled nucleation and CaCO<sub>3</sub> crystallization occur in the framework of chitin and silk proteins (Furuhashi, et al. 2009; Weiner and Traub 1984). The cell-mediated models suggest calcium carbonate crystals and shell proteins produced by other organs are transported to the biomineralization front via the assistance of haemocytes, though the shell matrix is still the most important place for shell formation (Mount, et al. 2004; Wang, et al. 2013b). The involvement of cells is supported by the presence of many house-keeping genes, which are distributed to diverse metabolic pathways in the shell proteins datasets (Liu, et al. 2015; Wang, et al. 2013b; Zhang, et al. 2012).

Many identified larval SMPs of *C. gigas* are classified as house-keeping proteins (Table 2.1), a condition which is similar to the one previously reported for the proteome of the adult shell (Zhang, et al. 2012). Deposition of numerous house-keeping proteins distributed to diverse metabolic pathways in the shell has been taken as one of the critical evidence supporting the involvement of cells in biomineralization (Wang, et al. 2013b; Zhang, et al. 2012). However, we cannot completely exclude the possibility that the sample of larval shells was contaminated by the soft tissues left over after the treatment with NaOH before decalcification, although the eradication of the soft tissues was confirmed under microscope.

**Table 2.1** Shell matrix proteins identified in the larva of *C. gigas*.

ID	E-value	Organism	UniProt best hit	SP	RLCDs	Pfam domain	Molecular mass (kDa)	pI	Location in heatmap
CGL_1000 0698	2E-23	Mytilus californianus	Nacrein-lik e protein (Fragment)	NO	NO	PF00194:Alpha carbonic anhydrase	2.5	9.1	b
CGL_1000 1795	4E-52	Mytilus californianus	Nacrein-lik e protein (Fragment)	NO	NO	PF00194:Alpha carbonic anhydrase	5.8	7.5	b
CGL_1001 2610	0	Sus scrofa	Isocitrate dehydrogen ase [NADP], mitochondr ial (Fragment)	NO	NO	PF00180:Isopropylmalate dehydrogenase-like domain	50	7.6	a
CGL_1001 2611	0	Bos taurus	NAD(P) transhydrog enase, mitochondr ial	NO	YES	PF12769:NAD(P) transhydrogenase, alpha subunit, C-terminal PF01262:Alanine dehydrogenase/pyridine nucleotide transhydrogenase, NAD(H)-binding domain PF05222:Alanine dehydrogenase/pyridine nucleotide transhydrogenase, N-terminal PF02233:NADP transhydrogenase, beta subunit	134	8.4	a
CGL_1000 5591	0	Taenia solum	Sodium/pot assium-tran sporting ATPase subunit alpha	NO	NO	PF00702:HAD-like domain PF00689:Cation-transporting P-type ATPase, C-terminal PF00122:P-type ATPase, A domain PF00690:Cation-transporting P-type ATPase, N-terminal	116	5.5	a
CGL_1002 8508	2E-69	Caenorhabdit is elegans	Probable sodium/pot assium-tran sporting ATPase subunit beta-3	NO	NO	PF00287:Sodium/potassium-tr ansporting ATPase subunit beta	35	5.4	a
CGL_1001	3E-18	Mus	Ferric-chela	YE	YES	PF02014:Reeler domain	30	9.5	b

4119		musculus	te reductase	S					
			1						
<b>CGL_1000</b>	1E-29	Cucumis	L-ascorbate	NO	YES	PF07732:Multicopper oxidase,	139	8.5	b
<b>8969</b>		sativus	oxidase			type 3			
						PF00394:Multicopper oxidase,			
						type 1			
						PF07731:Multicopper oxidase,			
						type 2			
CGL_1002	1E-44	Caenorhabdit	Putative	NO	YES	PF00271:Helicase, C-terminal	64	9.4	a
6230		is elegans	tyrosinase-1			PF00264:Tyrosinase			
			ike protein			copper-binding domain			
			tyr-1						
CGL_1000	4E-40	Pinctada	Tyrosinase-	YE	NO	PF00264:Tyrosinase	74	9.3	a
7793		margaritifera	like protein	S		copper-binding domain			
			2						
CGL_1001	3E-15	Ptilota	Polyenoic	YE	NO	PF01593:Amine oxidase	61	8.5	a
8746		filicina	fatty acid	S					
			isomerase						
TRINITY_	2E-13	Ptilota	Polyenoic	YE	NO	PF01593:Amine oxidase	59	7.3	b
DN20809_		filicina	fatty acid	S					
c0_g1_i1			isomerase						
CGL_1001	7E-89	Gallus gallus	Peptidyl-pr	NO	NO	PF00160:Cyclophilin-type	22	8.8	a
3880			olyl			peptidyl-prolyl cis-trans			
			cis-trans			isomerase domain			
			isomerase						
			B						
CGL_1002	0	Rattus	Protein	YE	YES	PF00085:Thioredoxin domain	55	4.6	a
6048		norvegicus	disulfide-is	S		PF13848			
			omerase						
CGL_1000	0	Oryctolagus	T-complex	NO	NO	PF00118:Chaperonin	58	6.2	a
4395		cuniculus	protein 1			Cpn60/TCP-1 family			
			subunit zeta						
CGL_1001	2E-43	Oryzias	10 kDa heat	NO	NO	PF00166:Chaperonin Cpn10	18	5.6	a
1080		latipes	shock						
			protein,						
			mitochondr						
			ial						
CGL_1001	0	Gallus gallus	T-complex	NO	NO	PF00118:Chaperonin	47	6.7	a
3567			protein 1			Cpn60/TCP-1 family			
			subunit eta						
CGL_1001	0	Drosophila	T-complex	NO	NO	PF00118:Chaperonin	75	6.8	a
8918		melanogaster	protein 1			Cpn60/TCP-1 family			
			subunit						
			alpha						

CGL_1001 5152	0	Xenopus laevis	Transitional endoplasmic reticulum ATPase	NO	YES	PF02933: CDC48, domain 2 PF02359: CDC48, N-terminal subdomain PF00004: ATPase, AAA-type, core	87	5.2	a
<b>CGL_1001</b> <b>3347</b>	0	Drosophila melanogaster	ATP synthase subunit beta, mitochondrial	NO	NO	PF00306: ATPase, F1/V1/A1 complex, alpha/beta subunit, C-terminal PF00006: ATPase, F1/V1/A1 complex, alpha/beta subunit, nucleotide-binding domain	45	5	a
<b>CGL_1002</b> <b>4501</b>	0	Pongo abelii	ATP synthase subunit alpha, mitochondrial	NO	NO	PF02874: ATPase, F1 complex alpha/beta subunit, N-terminal domain PF00006: ATPase, F1/V1/A1 complex, alpha/beta subunit, nucleotide-binding domain PF00306: ATPase, F1/V1/A1 complex, alpha/beta subunit, C-terminal	60	8.5	a
CGL_1000 3866	2E-78	Bos taurus	Zinc transporter ZIP12	YE	YES	PF02535: Zinc/iron permease	71	5.2	a
CGL_1001 2206	0	Homo sapiens	Dolichyl-di phosphooli gosaccharid e--protein glycosyltra nsferase subunit STT3B	NO	YES	PF02516: Oligosaccharyl transferase, STT3 subunit	88	9.2	a
CGL_1001 3000	8E-60	Mus musculus	Deoxyribon uclease gamma	YE	NO	PF03372: Endonuclease/exonu lease/phosphatase	50	4.9	b
CGL_1001 7473	3E-48	Pinctada margaritifera	Protein PIF	NO	YES	PF00092: von Willebrand factor, type A PF01607: Chitin binding domain	66	8.7	b
CGL_1000 9194	3E-39	Mus musculus	Collagen alpha-4(VI) chain	NO	YES	PF00092: von Willebrand factor, type A PF01607: Chitin binding domain	94	11	b
CGL_1000 4756	-	-	-	YE	YES	PF03067: Chitin-binding, domain 3	248	5.6	b

CGL_1001	-	-	-	YE	YES	PF01607:Chitin binding	46	8.4	b
4550				S		domain			
CGL_1001	0	Mus	Sperm-asso	NO	NO	PF00514:Armadillo	55	6.3	a
1025		musculus	ciated						
			antigen 6						
CGL_1001	0	Homo	Smoothene	YE	YES	PF01392:Frizzled domain	115	9.4	a
2432		sapiens	d homolog	S		PF01534:Frizzled protein			
CGL_1001	3E-38	Homo	Periostin	YE	NO	PF02469:FAS1 domain	30	6.9	b
8845		sapiens		S					
CGL_1001	-	-	-	YE	YES	PF13202:EF-hand domain	54	4.3	b
2241				S					
CGL_1000	-	-	-	YE	YES	-	19	4.4	b
5282				S					
CGL_1002	-	-	-	NO	YES	-	43	4.5	b
2165									
CGL_1001	0	Aplysia	78 kDa	YE	YES	PF00012:Heat shock protein	73	5	a
5492		californica	glucose-reg	S		70 family			
			ulated						
			protein						
CGL_1002	8E-23	Pinctada	Mantle	YE	YES	-	28	10	a
4591		maxima	protein	S					
TRINITY_	3E-38	Pinctada	Valine-rich	YE	YES	-	30	10	a
DN6144_c		maxima	protein	S					
0_g1_i1									
TRINITY_	0.0000	Drosophila	Salivary	YE	NO	-	11	11	b
DN31349_	03	melanogaster	glue protein	S					
c0_g1_i1			Sgs-4						
CGL_1001	5E-19	Danio rerio	ER	NO	YES	PF06417:Protein of unknown	38	9.3	b
1750			membrane			function DUF1077, TMEM85			
			protein						
			complex						
			subunit 4						
CGL_1000	-	-	-	NO	YES	-	2.3	12	b
1095									
CGL_1000	-	-	-	NO	YES	-	1.6	8.6	b
2164									
CGL_1000	-	-	-	YE	NO	-	1.5	9.4	b
2165				S					
CGL_1000	-	-	-	YE	NO	-	0.9	9.8	b
2554				S					
CGL_1000	-	-	-	NO	YES	-	38	5.4	b
6331									
CGL_1000	-	-	-	YE	YES	-	53	11	b
9021				S					

CGL1000	-	-	-	NO	YES	-	94	11	b
9023									
CGL1000	-	-	-	NO	YES	-	181	10	b
9447									
CGL1000	-	-	-	NO	YES	-	93	6.2	b
9871									
CGL1001	-	-	-	NO	YES	-	23	5	b
4253									
CGL1001	-	-	-	NO	YES	-	46	8.8	b
4301									
CGL1001	-	-	-	YE	YES	-	28	6.7	b
4776				S					
CGL1001	-	-	-	NO	YES	-	21	4.9	b
4777									
CGL1001	-	-	-	NO	YES	-	85	8.6	b
5108									
CGL1002	-	-	-	YE	NO	-	34	6.4	b
0901				S					
CGL1002	-	-	-	YE	YES	-	12	9.4	b
2617				S					
CGL1002	-	-	-	NO	YES	-	25	9.4	a
2682									
CGL1002	-	-	-	YE	YES	-	31	7.8	b
3792				S					
CGL1002	-	-	-	NO	YES	-	137	8.9	b
5406									
CGL1002	-	-	-	YE	YES	-	47	6.5	b
7216				S					
TRINITY_	-	-	-	YE	YES	-	18	9.4	b
DN10003_				S					
c0_g1_i1									
TRINITY_	-	-	-	NO	YES	-	10	11	b
DN12181_									
c0_g1_i1									
TRINITY_	-	-	-	NO	YES	-	33	13	b
DN16131_									
c0_g1_i1									
TRINITY_	-	-	-	NO	NO	-	18	5.8	b
DN30198_									
c0_g1_i1									
TRINITY_	-	-	-	YE	NO	-	10	8.9	b
DN30398_				S					
c0_g1_i1									
TRINITY_	-	-	-	NO	YES	-	10	10	b

DN33637_									
c0_g1_i1									
TRINITY_	-	-	-	NO	YES	-	13	6.6	b
DN4623_c									
0_g1_i1									
TRINITY_	-	-	-	NO	NO	-	40	5.2	b
DN8279_c									
0_g1_i1									
TRINITY_	-	-	-	NO	YES	-	13	12	b
DN38090_									
c0_g1_i1									
CGL_1002	1E-76	Asterias	Histone	NO	NO	PF16211	14	11	a
5376		rubens	H2A			PF00125:Histone H2A/H2B/H3			
CGL_1000	1E-93	Xenopus	Histone	NO	NO	PF00125:Histone	1.5	11	a
0055		tropicalis	H3.3			H2A/H2B/H3			
CGL_1000	4E-68	Tigriopus	Histone	NO	YES	PF00125:Histone	13	11	a
8057		californicus	H2B.3			H2A/H2B/H3			
CGL_1000	8E-66	Xenopus	Histone H4	NO	NO	PF15511	11	11	a
8087		tropicalis							
CGL_1000	0	Rattus	Eukaryotic	NO	NO	PF00271:Helicase, C-terminal	3.9	5.8	a
1554		norvegicus	initiation factor 4A-II			PF00270:DEAD/DEAH box helicase domain			
CGL_1000	2E-102	Artemia	Elongation	NO	NO	PF02798:Glutathione	2.7	9.3	a
1571		salina	factor 1-gamma			S-transferase, N-terminal PF00043:Glutathione S-transferase, C-terminal			
<b>CGL_1001</b>	0	Danio rerio	Elongation	NO	NO	PF03143:Translation	50	9.1	a
<b>2474</b>			factor 1-alpha			elongation factor EFTu/EF1A, C-terminal PF03144:Translation elongation factor EFTu/EF1A, domain 2 PF00009			
CGL_1001	0	Placopecten	Actin,	NO	NO	PF00022:Actin family	42	5.3	a
8876		magellanicus	adductor muscle						
CGL_1000	0	Crassostrea	Actin	NO	NO	PF00022:Actin family	42	5.3	c
3492		gigas							
CGL_1000	0	Rattus	Tubulin	NO	NO	PF03953:Tubulin/FtsZ, 2-layer	53	5	a
7570		norvegicus	alpha-1A chain			sandwich domain PF00091:Tubulin/FtsZ, GTPase domain			
CGL_1001	0	Paracentrotus	Tubulin	NO	NO	PF00091:Tubulin/FtsZ,	50	4.8	a

0163		lividus	beta chain			GTPase domain				
						PF03953:Tubulin/FtsZ, 2-layer sandwich domain				
CGL_1001	0	Paracentrotus	Tubulin	NO	NO	PF00091:Tubulin/FtsZ,	50	4.8	a	
2330		lividus	beta chain			GTPase domain				
						PF03953:Tubulin/FtsZ, 2-layer sandwich domain				
CGL_1000	1E-101	Argopecten	40S	NO	NO	PF00416:Ribosomal protein	18	11	a	
8101		irradians	ribosomal protein S18			S13				
CGL_1000	2E-86	Homo	40S	NO	NO	PF00177:Ribosomal protein	14	11	a	
9651		sapiens	ribosomal protein S5			S7 domain				
CGL_1001	7E-97	Rattus	40S	NO	NO	PF08069:Ribosomal protein	17	11	a	
0740		norvegicus	ribosomal protein S13			S13/S15, N-terminal				
						PF00312:Ribosomal protein S15				
CGL_1001	7E-143	Danio rerio	40S	NO	NO	PF16121	28	10	a	
6741			ribosomal protein S4, X isoform			PF00900:Ribosomal protein S4e, central region				
						PF00467:KOW				
						PF08071:Ribosomal protein S4e, N-terminal				
CGL_1001	3E-142	Aplysia	40S	NO	YES	PF01092:Ribosomal protein	32	10	a	
9423		californica	ribosomal protein S6			S6e				
CGL_1002	6E-114	Xenopus	40S	NO	NO	PF01251:Ribosomal protein	22	10	a	
0449		laevis	ribosomal protein S7			S7e				
CGL_1002	6E-91	Heteropneust	40S	NO	NO	PF00380:Ribosomal protein	17	10	a	
0961		es fossilis	ribosomal protein S16			S9				
CGL_1002	3E-150	Ictalurus	40S	NO	YES	PF00333:Ribosomal protein	30	10	a	
1672		punctatus	ribosomal protein S2			S5, N-terminal				
						PF03719:Ribosomal protein S5, C-terminal				
CGL_1002	6E-165	Pinctada	40S	NO	NO	PF00318:Ribosomal protein	33	4.8	a	
1852		fucata	ribosomal protein SA			S2				
						PF16122				
CGL_1002	3E-141	Rattus	40S	NO	NO	PF07650:K Homology	26	9.4	a	
5534		norvegicus	ribosomal protein S3			domain, type 2				
						PF00189				
CGL_1002	1E-105	Drosophila	40S	NO	NO	PF01479:RNA-binding	S4 64	9.9	a	
6056		melanogaster	ribosomal			domain				



			protein S9			PF00163:Ribosomal protein				
						S4/S9, N-terminal				
CGL_1001	7E-146	Rana	60S acidic	NO	NO	PF00428	34	8.7	a	
0682		sylvatica	ribosomal			PF00466:Ribosomal protein				
			protein P0			L10P				
CGL_1002	3E-92	Rattus	60S	NO	YES	-	21	12	a	
1165		norvegicus	ribosomal							
			protein L18							
CGL_1001	9E-59	Lumbricus	60S	NO	NO	PF01929:Ribosomal protein	18	11	a	
2808		rubellus	ribosomal			L14				
			protein L14							
CGL_1000	0	Urechis	60S	NO	YES	PF00573:Ribosomal protein	43	11	a	
6684		caupo	ribosomal			L4/L1e				
			protein L4			PF14374:60S ribosomal				
						protein L4, C-terminal domain				
CGL_1002	2E-110	Pongo abelii	60S	NO	NO	PF00327:Ribosomal protein	29	11	a	
0975			ribosomal			L30, ferredoxin-like fold				
			protein L7			domain				
						PF08079:Ribosomal protein				
						L30, N-terminal				
CGL_1002	2E-89	Bos taurus	60S	NO	YES	PF00572:Ribosomal protein	35	10	a	
1874			ribosomal			L13				
			protein							
			L13a							
CGL_1002	5E-130	Drosophila	60S	NO	NO	PF00252:Ribosomal protein	25	10	a	
2820		melanogaster	ribosomal			L10e/L16				
			protein L10							
CGL_1001	8E-42	Xenopus	60S	NO	NO	PF03947:Ribosomal protein	18	11	a	
8335		tropicalis	ribosomal			L2, C-terminal				
			protein L8			PF00181:Ribosomal Proteins				
						L2, RNA binding domain				
CGL_1002	3E-90	Homo	60S	NO	NO	PF01775:Ribosomal protein	21	11	a	
6412		sapiens	ribosomal			L18a/LX				
			protein							
			L18a							
CGL_1001	1E-172	Mus	Phosphate	YE	YES	PF00153:Mitochondrial	56	5.8	a	
2871		musculus	carrier	S		substrate/solute carrier				
			protein,			PF07686:Immunoglobulin				
			mitochondr			V-set domain				
			ial							
CGL_1001	0	Bos taurus	Stress-70	NO	YES	PF00012:Heat shock protein	76	5.7	a	
6162			protein,			70 family				
			mitochondr							
			ial							

CGL_1001 7557	9E-123	Rattus norvegicus	ADP-ribosy lation factor 2	NO	NO	PF00025:Small GTPase superfamily, ARF/SAR type	21	6.2	a
CGL_1002 5401	4E-139	Chlamydomo nas reinhardtii	ADP,ATP carrier protein	NO	NO	PF00153:Mitochondrial substrate/solute carrier	33	9.6	a
CGL_1001 8699	5E-42	Homo sapiens	Cytochrom e P450 2J2	NO	NO	PF00067:Cytochrome P450	27	6.4	a
CGL_1002 3706	4E-99	Gallus gallus	Cytochrom e P450 1A5	NO	YES	PF07678:Alpha-macroglobulin complement component PF07703:Alpha-2-macroglobu lin, N-terminal 2 PF01835:Alpha-2-macroglobu lin, N-terminal PF00207:Alpha-2-macroglobu lin PF00067:Cytochrome P450 PF07677:Alpha-macroglobulin , receptor-binding	229	6	a
CGL_1002 6681	1E-155	Pongo pygmaeus	Polyubiquit in-B	NO	NO	PF00240:Ubiquitin domain	25	6.4	a
CGL_1000 1109	2E-32	Homo sapiens	Heme-bind ing protein 2	NO	NO	PF04832:SOUL haem-binding protein	2.4	9.4	a
CGL_1002 2093	0	Argopecten irradians	Myosin heavy chain, striated muscle	NO	NO	PF00063:Myosin head, motor domain PF01576:Myosin tail PF02736:Myosin, N-terminal, SH3-like	230	5.5	a
TRINITY_ DN3632_c 0_g1_i1	-	-	-	NO	NO	PF02937: COX6C domain	12	9.4	a
CGL_1002 4931	1E-106	Drosophila melanogaster	Protein I(2)37Cc	NO	NO	PF01145:Band 7 protein	23	7.9	a

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**Table 2.2** Shell matrix proteins identified in the larva of *P. fucata*.

ID	E-value	Organism	UniProt best hit	SP	RLCD	Pfam domain	Molecular mass (kDa)	pI	Location in heatmap
pfu_aug2.0_1 294.1_14936.t 1	3E-18	Pinctada maxima	Nacrein-like protein M	YES	NO	PF00194:Alpha carbonic anhydrase	21	8.5	a
pfu_aug2.0_1 536.1_21678.t 1	2E-46	Pinctada maxima	Nacrein-like protein M	NO	NO	PF00194:Alpha carbonic anhydrase	36	5.5	a
pfu_aug2.0_6. 1_20027.t1	4E-72	Pinctada margaritifera	Putative beta-hexosaminidase	NO	NO	PF03173:Chitobias e/beta-hexosaminidases, N-terminal domain PF02838:Beta-hexosaminidase, bacterial type, N-terminal PF00728:Glycoside hydrolase family 20, catalytic domain	96	9.2	a
pfu_aug2.0_3 41.1_04020.t1	0	Bos taurus	NAD(P) transhydrogenase, mitochondrial	NO	YES	PF05222:Alanine dehydrogenase/pyridine nucleotide transhydrogenase, N-terminal PF02233:NADP transhydrogenase, beta subunit PF12769:NAD(P) transhydrogenase, alpha subunit, C-terminal PF01262:Alanine dehydrogenase/pyridine nucleotide transhydrogenase, NAD(H)-binding domain	122	6.7	a
pfu_aug2.0_4 18.1_27370.t1	1E-56	Taenia solium	Sodium/potassium-transporting ATPase subunit alpha	NO	NO	-	16	4.9	a
pfu_aug2.0_4 21.1_04155.t1	3E-55	Pinctada fucata	Protein PIF	YES	YES	PF00092:von Willebrand factor, type A	99	6.9	a

						PF01607:Chitin binding domain			
pfu_aug2.0_9 56.1_21296.t1	4E-55	Pinctada fucata	Protein PIF	YES	YES	PF00092: von Willebrand factor, type A	75	8.3	a
						PF01607:Chitin binding domain			
<b>pfu_cdna2.0_089203</b>	8E-44	Mus musculus	Collagen alpha-5(VI) chain	YES	YES	PF01607:Chitin binding domain	262	7.4	b
						PF00092: von Willebrand factor, type A			
pfu_aug2.0_3 03.1_10585.t1	6E-07	Homo sapiens	Histone-lysine N-methyltransferase SETMAR	NO	NO	PF01607:Chitin binding domain	55	8.8	a
pfu_aug2.0_9 21.1_04697.t1	-	-	-	NO	YES	PF07648: Kazal domain	136	9.5	a
						PF01823: Membrane attack complex component/perforin (MACPF) domain			
pfu_aug2.0_8 53.1_11237.t1	2E-45	Acropora millepora	Mucin-like protein (Fragment)	NO	YES	PF00090: Thrombospondin type-1 (TSP1) repeat	69	9.2	a
pfu_aug2.0_9 76.1_21307.t1	1E-28	Sus scrofa	Negative elongation factor D	NO	YES	PF00100: Zona pellucida domain	105	8.3	a
						PF04858: TH1 protein			
pfu_aug2.0_3 17.1_23850.t1	-	-	-	NO	NO	PF00086: Thyroglobulin type-1	8	7.6	a
pfu_aug2.0_3 17.1_23851.t1	1E-08	Bos taurus	Thyroglobulin	YES	NO	PF00086: Thyroglobulin type-1	16	6.3	a
pfu_aug2.0_3 17.1_23852.t1	1E-08	Bos taurus	Thyroglobulin	NO	NO	PF00086: Thyroglobulin type-1	19	8	a
pfu_aug2.0_3 272.1_09093.t1	-	-	-	YES	YES	-	51	4.2	a
<b>pfu_aug2.0_2162.1_08762.t1</b>	-	-	-	YES	YES	-	43	3.8	b
pfu_aug2.0_3 796.1_22455.t1	-	-	-	NO	YES	-	39	4.4	a
pfu_aug2.0_3	7E-07	Mus	MAGE-like protein 2	NO	YES	-	17	5	a

412.1_09131.t		musculus							
1									
<b>pfu_aug2.0_6</b>	3E-87	Pinctada	Valine-rich protein	NO	YES	-	61	9.9	b
<b>18.1_27594.t1</b>		maxima							
<b>pfu_aug2.0_6</b>	5E-65	Pinctada	Mantle protein	YES	YES	-	30	10	b
<b>18.1_27595.t1</b>		maxima							
pfu_aug2.0_3	-	-	-	NO	YES	-	17	5	a
34.1_14014.t1									
pfu_aug2.0_1	-	-	-	YES	YES	-	91	10	a
248.1_28159.t									
1									
pfu_aug2.0_1	-	-	-	YES	YES	-	50	11	a
25.1_16979.t1									
pfu_aug2.0_2	-	-	-	NO	YES	-	22	12	a
020.1_01951.t									
1									
pfu_aug2.0_4	-	-	-	YES	YES	-	27	9.4	a
39.1_30763.t1									
pfu_aug2.0_6	-	-	-	YES	YES	-	54	6.5	a
18.1_27593.t1									
pfu_aug2.0_7	-	-	-	NO	YES	-	86	11	a
6.1_20169.t2									
pfu_aug2.0_8	-	-	-	YES	NO	-	26	12	a
53.1_11242.t1									
pfu_aug2.0_8	-	-	-	NO	YES	-	101	11	a
53.1_11243.t1									
pfu_cdna2.0_0	-	-	-	YES	YES	-	181	11	a
66411									

Bold text: common SMPs for larva and adult; '-' means not applicable; SP: signal peptide; RLCD: repeats of low complexity domains.

**Table 2.3** List of the common proteins (shown by gene model IDs) between larval and adult shells of *C. gigas* and *P. fucata* revealed by Blastp search.

	<i>C. gigas</i> larval SMPs	<i>C. gigas</i> adult SMPs	<i>P. fucata</i> larval SMPs	<i>P. fucata</i> adult SMPs
Nacrein	CGI_10000698 CGI_10001795	CGI_10014170 CGI_10028495	pfu_aug2.0_1294.1_14936.tl pfu_aug2.0_1536.1_21678.tl	pfu_aug2.0_214.1_13802.tl
Pif	CGI_10017473	CGI_10004086 CGI_10012352 CGI_10012353 CGI_10028014	pfu_aug2.0_956.1_21296.tl pfu_aug2.0_421.1_04155.tl	pfu_aug2.0_3932.1_09248.tl pfu_aug2.0_929.1_31288.tl pfu_aug2.0_715.1_17768.tl pfu_aug2.0_747.1_24368.tl
Tyrosinase	CGI_10007793 (2) CGI_10026230 (tyr-1)	CGI_10007753 (1) CGI_10011916 (tyr-3) CGI_10012743		pfu_aug2.0_2553.1_12203.tl pfu_aug2.0_6481.1_06225.tl (1) pfu_aug2.0_9036.1_22899.tl (2) pfu_aug2.0_914.1_14653.tl (1) pfu_aug2.0_914.1_14654.tl (1) pfu_aug2.0_242.1_07222.tl (1) pfu_aug2.0_242.1_07224.tl (1)
Peptidyl-prolyl cis-trans isomerase B	CGI_10013880	CGI_10023851		
<b>L-ascorbate oxidase</b>	CGI_10008969			
<b>Elongation factor 1-alpha</b>	CGI_10001571 (gamma)			
	CGI_10012474 (alpha)			
<b>ATP synthase subunit beta, mitochondrial</b>	CGI_10013347			
<b>ATP synthase subunit alpha, mitochondrial</b>	CGI_10024501			
<b>Valine-rich protein</b>	TRINITY_DN6144_c0_ g1_i1		pfu_aug2.0_618.1_27594.tl	
<b>Mantle protein</b>	CGI_10024591		pfu_aug2.0_618.1_27595.tl	
<b>Collagen</b>	CGI_10009194 Collagen alpha-4(VI) chain		pfu_cdna2.0_08920 3 Collagen alpha-5(VI) chain	pfu_cdna2.0_089203 Collagen alpha-5(VI) chain pfu_aug2.0_2218.1_28718.tl Collagen alpha-1(I) chain
Putative beta-hexosaminidase		CGI_10007857	pfu_aug2.0_6.1_200 27.tl	pfu_aug2.0_6.1_20028.tl
Peroxidase-like protein		CGI_10017426		pfu_aug2.0_2147.1_25317.tl
Uncharacterized shell protein 1		CGI_10016430		pfu_aug2.0_275.1_17228.tl pfu_aug2.0_2607.1_25472.tl
Asparagine-rich protein		CGI_10010359		pfu_aug2.0_1358.1_28227.tl
CD109 antigen		CGI_10023765		pfu_aug2.0_144.1_13676.tl

Fibronectin		CGI_10016964 (2) CGI_10016965 (2) CGI_10016966 (2)		pfu_aug2.0_429.1_30751.t1 (1) pfu_aug2.0_429.1_30752.t1 (1) pfu_aug2.0_429.1_30750.t1 (2)
EGF-like domain-containing protein		CGI_10017544 (2) CGI_10017545 (2)		pfu_aug2.0_3578.1_29138.t1 (1) pfu_aug2.0_2116.1_21941.t1 (1) pfu_aug2.0_2116.1_21942.t1 (2) pfu_aug2.0_2116.1_21943.t1 (2) pfu_aug2.0_838.1_27830.t1 (2)
NAD(P) transhydrogenase, mitochondrial		CGI_10012611		pfu_aug2.0_341.1_04020.t1
Sodium/potassium-transporting ATPase subunit alpha		CGI_10005591		pfu_aug2.0_418.1_27370.t1
<b>pfu_aug2.0_2162.1_08762.t1</b>				<b>pfu_aug2.0_2162.1_08762.t1</b>

Characters in bold are proteins identified in both larval and adult shells of *C. gigas* or *P. fucata*.

**Table 2.4** Shell matrix proteins identified in the adult of *C. gigas*.

ID	E-value	Organism	UniProt best hit	SP	RLCD	Pfam domain	Molecular mass (kDa)	pI	Location in heatmap
CGL_1001417 0	9E-77	Mytilus californianus	Nacrein-like protein (Fragment)	YES	NO	PF00194:Alpha carbonic anhydrase PF00042:Globin	62	5.7	c
CGL_1002849 5	5E-27	Mytilus californianus	Nacrein-like protein (Fragment)	YES	NO	PF00194:Alpha carbonic anhydrase	31	8.5	c
CGL_1002392 8	2E-97	Gluconobacter oxydans	L-sorbose 1-dehydrogenase	NO	NO	PF05199:Glucose-methanol-choline oxidoreductase, C-terminal PF00732:Glucose-methanol-choline oxidoreductase, N-terminal	65	9.1	c
<b>CGL_1000896</b> 9	1E-29	Cucumis sativus	L-ascorbate oxidase	NO	YES	PF07732:Multicopper oxidase, type 3 PF00394:Multicopper oxidase, type 1 PF07731:Multicopper oxidase, type 2	139	8.5	b
CGL_1000462 0	2E-09	Bacillus subtilis	Spore cortex-lytic enzyme	NO	NO	PF07486:Cell wall hydrolase, SleB	17	5	c
CGL_1000785 7	9E-11 3	Pinctada margaritifera	Putative beta-hexosaminidase	NO	YES	PF02838:Beta-hexosaminidase, bacterial type, N-terminal PF03173:Chitinase/beta-hexosaminidases, N-terminal domain PF00728:Glycoside hydrolase family 20, catalytic domain	112	6.6	c
CGL_1001416 1	2E-54	Haliotis rufescens	Chymotrypsin-like serine proteinase	NO	NO	PF00089:Serine proteases, trypsin domain	30	5.9	c
CGL_1001538 1	5E-53	Gadus morhua	Chymotrypsin B	YES	NO	PF00089:Serine proteases, trypsin domain	30	6.4	c
CGL_1001742 6	5E-12 4	Pinctada margaritifera	Peroxidase-like protein	NO	YES	PF03098:Haem peroxidase, animal	87	8.4	c



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CGL_1002667	1E-15	Drosophila melanogaster	Probable sulfite oxidase, mitochondrial	NO	YES	PF00173:Cytochrome b5-like heme/steroid binding domain	196	5.6	c
1	8					PF02931:Neurotransmitter-gated ion-channel ligand-binding domain			
						PF02932:Neurotransmitter-gated ion-channel transmembrane domain			
						PF00092:von Willebrand factor, type A			
						PF03404:Molybdenum cofactor oxidoreductase, dimerisation			
						PF00174:Oxidoreductase, molybdopterin-binding domain			
CGL_1001883	8E-09	Rattus norvegicus	Extracellular superoxide dismutase [Cu-Zn]	YES	NO	PF00080:Superoxide dismutase, copper/zinc binding domain	48	5.6	c
4									
CGL_1000775	2E-31	Pinctada margaritifera	Tyrosinase-like protein 1	NO	YES	PF00264:Tyrosinase copper-binding domain	80	9.1	c
3									
CGL_1001191	2E-37	Caenorhabditis elegans	Putative tyrosinase-like protein tyr-3	NO	YES	PF00264:Tyrosinase copper-binding domain	67	8.7	c
6									
CGL_1001274	6E-44	Pinctada maxima	Tyrosinase-like protein	NO	YES	PF00264:Tyrosinase copper-binding domain	116	8.1	c
3									
CGL_1002385	5E-62	Gallus gallus	Peptidyl-prolyl cis-trans isomerase B	NO	YES	PF00160:Cyclophilin-type peptidyl-Sheet3!A113+Sheet3!A113+Sheet1!prolyl cis-trans isomerase	28	7.7	c
1									

						domain			
CGI_1001639	7E-12	Mus	Histone-lysine	NO	YES	PF13771	549	6.4	c
7	5	musculus	N-methyltransferase 2C			PF00759:Glycoside hydrolase, family 9			
						PF00628:Zinc finger, PHD-finger			
						PF00264:Tyrosinase copper-binding domain			
CGI_1000542	0	Crassostrea	Gigasin-6	YES	YES	PF00144:Beta-lactamase-related	62	6.4	c
5		gigas							
CGI_1001235	2E-09	Pinctada	Protein PIF	NO	YES	PF07679:Immunoglobulin I-set	123	4.9	c
2		margaritifera							
CGI_1001235	7E-07	Pinctada	Protein PIF	NO	YES	PF01607:Chitin binding domain	61	4.9	c
3		margaritifera							
CGI_1002801	3E-42	Pinctada	Protein PIF	YES	YES	PF00092:von Willebrand factor, type A	129	5.1	c
4		fucata							
CGI_1000408	1E-35	Pinctada	Protein PIF	NO	NO	PF00092:von Willebrand factor, type A	165	5.6	c
6		fucata							
CGI_1002841	6E-30	Xenopus	Kielin/chordin-like protein	NO	NO	PF00093:VWFC domain	80	7.8	c
4		laevis							
CGI_1001346	-	-	-	YES	YES	PF03067:Chitin-binding, domain 3	61	9.6	c
2									
CGI_1001708	-	-	-	NO	YES	PF01607:Chitin binding domain	44	9.1	c
7									
CGI_1001817	-	-	-	YES	YES	PF03067:Chitin-binding, domain 3	89	9.7	c
6									
CGI_1002660	1E-14	Homo	Chitotriosidase-1	NO	YES	PF01607:Chitin binding domain	79	8.5	c
5	2	sapiens				PF00704:Glycoside hydrolase family 18, catalytic domain			
CGI_1001696	2E-16	Pinctada	Fibronectin type III domain-containing protein 2	YES	YES	PF00041:Fibronectin type III	89	6.4	c
4	2	margaritifera							
		a							
CGI_1001696	2E-13	Pinctada	Fibronectin type III domain-containing protein 2	NO	YES	PF00041:Fibronectin type III	70	6	c
5	6	margaritifera							
		a							
CGI_1001696	2E-50	Pinctada	Fibronectin type III domain-containing	NO	NO	PF00041:Fibronectin type III	29	8.9	c
6		margaritifera							

		a	protein 2						
CGI_1000300	3E-14	Homo sapiens	Complement C1q-like protein 2	YES	NO	PF00386:C1q domain	82	5	c
0									
CGI_1002828	-	-	-	NO	NO	PF14625:Lustrin, cysteine-rich repeated domain	25	8.7	c
6						PF05375:Pacifastin domain			
CGI_1001754	0	Crassostrea gigas	Gigas-2	YES	NO	-	41	7.4	c
3									
CGI_1001754	4E-83	Pinctada maxima	EGF-like domain-containing protein 2	YES	NO	-	40	5.2	c
4									
CGI_1001754	8E-74	Pinctada maxima	EGF-like domain-containing protein 2	YES	NO	-	40	6	c
5									
CGI_1002075	4E-12	Caretta caretta	Chelonianin	NO	YES	PF00014:Pancreatic trypsin inhibitor Kunitz domain	83	10	c
6									
CGI_1001556	9E-19	Anemonia sulcata	KappaPI-actitoxin-Avd3a	NO	NO	PF00014:Pancreatic trypsin inhibitor Kunitz domain	11	6.1	c
7									
CGI_1000470	2E-17	Clostridium cellulolyticum	Translation initiation factor IF-2	NO	YES	PF00095:WAP-type 'four-disulfide core' domain	184	9	c
4									
CGI_1000509	-	-	-	NO	YES	PF00095:WAP-type 'four-disulfide core' domain	126	9.7	c
6									
CGI_1002248	5E-25	Mus musculus	Glioma pathogenesis-related protein 1	NO	NO	PF00188:CAP domain	14	8.7	c
0									
CGI_1001052	5E-15	Aplysia californica	Temptin	YES	NO	-	16	7.6	c
6									
CGI_1002181	8E-53	Caenorhabditis elegans	Vitellogenin-6	YES	YES	PF09172:Vitellinogen, open beta-sheet	273	9.1	c
7						PF00094:Willebrand factor, type D domain			
						PF01347:Lipid transport protein, N-terminal			
CGI_1000751	6E-06	Oncorhynchus mykiss	Retinol-binding protein 4-B	YES	NO	PF00061:Lipocalin/cytosolic fatty-acid binding domain	29	6.5	c
4									

CGL_1001658	1E-15	Arabidopsis thaliana	Calmodulin-like protein 11	NO	YES	PF13499:EF-hand domain pair	66	4.6	c
5									
CGL_1000650	-	-	-	YES	YES	-	115	4.5	c
5									
CGL_1001035	1E-29	Pinctada margaritifera	Asparagine-rich protein	NO	YES	-	61	4.8	c
9		a							
CGL_1000574	8E-14	Crassostrea gigas	Gigasins-3a (Fragment)	YES	YES	-	72	8.5	c
9	8								
CGI_1000837	2E-36	Crassostrea gigas	Gigasins-4 (Fragment)	YES	YES	-	23	9.3	c
6									
CGI_1000837	4E-10	Crassostrea gigas	Gigasins-4 (Fragment)	NO	YES	-	92	8.3	c
5									
CGI_1001643	1E-20	Pinctada maxima	Uncharacterized shell protein 1	NO	YES	-	16	6.5	c
0									
CGI_1002709	9E-06	Arabidopsis thaliana	Proline-rich protein 2	NO	YES	-	180	10	c
1									
CGI_1002280	2E-38	Ruditapes philippinarum	Insoluble matrix shell protein 1 (Fragment)	NO	NO	-	29	5.6	c
0									
CGI_1000822	3E-13	Mus musculus	Transmembrane protein 145	NO	YES	-	58	8.8	c
8									
CGI_1000422	-	-	-	NO	YES	-	85	11	c
7									
CGI_1000422	-	-	-	YES	NO	-	49	9.9	c
8									
CGI_1000766	-	-	-	NO	YES	-	36	9.3	c
9									
CGI_1000767	-	-	-	YES	NO	-	32	8.6	c
0									
CGI_1000843	-	-	-	NO	YES	-	70	9.9	c
4									
CGI_1000963	-	-	-	NO	YES	-	73	9.2	c
4									
CGI_1001817	-	-	-	NO	YES	-	105	9.6	c
3									
CGI_1001817	-	-	-	NO	YES	-	88	9	c
5									
CGI_1001922	-	-	-	YES	YES	-	26	7.2	c
4									
CGI_1002284	-	-	-	NO	YES	-	137	9.2	c
0									
CGI_1002344	-	-	-	NO	YES	-	35	10	c
6									

CGI_1002422	-	-	-		NO	YES	-	39	9.6	c
9										
CGI_1001247	0	Danio rerio	Elongation factor 1-alpha		NO	NO	PF03143:Translation elongation factor EFTu/EF1A, C-terminal	50	9.1	a
4							PF03144:Translation elongation factor EFTu/EF1A, domain 2			
CGI_1001334	0	Drosophila melanogaster	ATP synthase subunit beta, mitochondrial		NO	NO	PF00306:ATPase, F1/V1/A1 complex, alpha/beta subunit, C-terminal	45	5	a
7							PF00006:ATPase, F1/V1/A1 complex, alpha/beta subunit, nucleotide-binding domain			
CGI_1002450	0	Pongo abelii	ATP synthase subunit alpha, mitochondrial		NO	NO	PF02874:ATPase, F1 complex alpha/beta subunit, N-terminal domain	60	8.5	a
1							PF00006:ATPase, F1/V1/A1 complex, alpha/beta subunit, nucleotide-binding domain			
CGI_1000702	6E-77	Rattus norvegicus	Sodium-dependent multivitamin transporter		NO	NO	PF00474:Sodium/solute symporter	86	6.8	c
1										
CGI_1001234	1E-83	Homo sapiens	Hemicentin-1		NO	YES	PF13927	643	5.3	c
8							PF13895			
							PF07679:Immunoglobulin I-set			
CGI_1002376	1E-16	Homo sapiens	CD109 antigen		NO	YES	PF00207:Alpha-2-macroglobulin	94	5.3	c
5	4						PF07678:Alpha-macroglobulin			

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						complement			
						component			
						PF10569:Alpha-2-			
						macroglobulin,			
						thiol-ester			
						bond-forming			
						PF07677:Alpha-ma			
						croglobulin,			
						receptor-binding			
CGI_1002376	6E-64	Homo	CD109 antigen	NO	YES	PF07703:Alpha-2-	95	5.6	c
7		sapiens				macroglobulin,			
						N-terminal 2			
						PF01835:Alpha-2-			
						macroglobulin,			
						N-terminal			

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Bold text: common SMPs for larva and adult; '-' means not applicable; SP: signal peptide; RLCD: repeats of low complexity domains.

**Table 2.5** Shell matrix proteins identified in the adult of *P. fucata*.

ID	E-value	Organism	UniProt best hit	SP	RLC Ds	Pfam domain	Molecular mass	pI	Location in heatmap
pfu_aug2.0_2 14.1_13802.t 1	0	Pinctada fucata	Nacrein	NO	NO	PF01391:Collagen triple helix repeat PF00194:Alpha carbonic anhydrase	38	6.2	c
pfu_aug2.0_6 .1_20028.t1	0	Pinctada margaritifera	Putative beta-hexosaminidase	NO	YES	PF03173:Chitobiase/beta-hexosaminidases, N-terminal domain PF02838:Beta-hexosaminidase, bacterial type, N-terminal PF00728:Glycoside hydrolase family 20, catalytic domain	127	9.1	c
pfu_aug2.0_1 94.1_13762.t 1	0	Pinctada margaritifera	Putative chitinase 1	NO	NO	PF00704:Glycoside hydrolase family 18, catalytic domain	54	5.3	c
pfu_aug2.0_1 94.1_13763.t 1	0	Pinctada maxima	Putative chitinase	YES	NO	PF00704:Glycoside hydrolase family 18, catalytic domain PF01607:Chitin binding domain	64	8.6	c
pfu_aug2.0_2 244.1_15458. t1	6E-12	Arthrobaacter globiformis	Dextranase	NO	YES	PF03718:Glycoside hydrolase, family 49	55	9.7	c
pfu_aug2.0_1 64.1_13717.t 1	7E-23	Bos taurus	Tissue-type plasminogen activator	NO	NO	PF00089:Serine proteases, trypsin domain	38	9.2	c
pfu_aug2.0_1 4144.1_1651 6.t1	1E-12	Arabidopsis thaliana	Proline-rich protein 1	NO	NO	PF03098:Haem peroxidase, animal	25	7.8	c
pfu_aug2.0_2 147.1_25317. t1	0	Pinctada margaritifera	Peroxidase-like protein	YES	YES	PF03098:Haem peroxidase, animal	84	8.8	c
pfu_aug2.0_2 613.1_12224. t1	1E-53	Pinctada margaritifera	Peroxidase-like protein	NO	YES	PF03098:Haem peroxidase, animal	38	9.2	c
pfu_aug2.0_4 65.1_17456.t 1	0	Pinctada margaritifera	Peroxidase-like protein	NO	NO	PF03098:Haem peroxidase, animal	76	9.3	c
pfu_aug2.0_4 65.1_17459.t 1	0	Pinctada margaritifera	Peroxidase-like protein	NO	YES	PF03098:Haem peroxidase, animal	76	8.9	c

pfu_aug2.0_1 225.1_18190. t1	-	-	-	YE	NO	-	20	8.5	c
pfu_aug2.0_6 08.1_27591.t 1	2E-60	Aplysia kurodai	Aplysianin-A	NO	YES	PF01593:Amine oxidase	98	9.5	c
pfu_aug2.0_1 361.1_04988. t1	5E-24	Gallus gallus	DBH-like monoxygenase protein 1	NO	NO	PF01082:Copper type II, ascorbate-dependent monoxygenase, N-terminal PF03712:Copper type II ascorbate-dependent monoxygenase, C-terminal	62	8.6	c
pfu_aug2.0_9 4.1_13574.t1	0	Bos taurus	Electron transfer flavoprotein-ubiquinone oxidoreductase, mitochondrial	NO	YES	PF05187:Electron transfer flavoprotein-ubiquinone oxidoreductase PF13450	265	5.1	c
pfu_aug2.0_2 553.1_12203. t1	0	Pinctada maxima	Tyrosinase-like protein	NO	NO	PF00264:Tyrosinase copper-binding domain	50	6	c
pfu_aug2.0_6 481.1_06225. t1	3E-50	Pinctada margarit ifera	Tyrosinase-like protein 1	YE	YES	PF00264:Tyrosinase copper-binding domain	44	9.3	c
pfu_aug2.0_9 036.1_22899. t1	2E-62	Pinctada margarit ifera	Tyrosinase-like protein 2	YE	YES	-	16	9.5	c
pfu_aug2.0_9 14.1_14653.t 1	0	Pinctada margarit ifera	Tyrosinase-like protein 1	NO	YES	PF00264:Tyrosinase copper-binding domain	53	8.9	c
pfu_aug2.0_9 14.1_14654.t 1	9E-40	Pinctada margarit ifera	Tyrosinase-like protein 1	NO	NO	PF00264:Tyrosinase copper-binding domain	15	6.3	c
pfu_aug2.0_2 42.1_07222.t 1	0	Pinctada margarit ifera	Tyrosinase-like protein 1	YE	YES	PF00264:Tyrosinase copper-binding domain	60	6.4	c
pfu_aug2.0_2 42.1_07224.t 1	0	Pinctada margarit ifera	Tyrosinase-like protein 1	YE	YES	PF00264:Tyrosinase copper-binding domain	58	6.7	c
pfu_aug2.0_1 358.1_28227. t1	0	Pinctada margarit ifera	Asparagine-rich protein	NO	YES	PF01762:Glycosyl transferase, family 31	114	9.4	c
pfu_aug2.0_4 44.1_14157.t 1	3E-24	Homo sapiens	Sulfotransferase 1C2	YE	NO	PF00685:Sulfotransferase domain	85	7.3	c
pfu_aug2.0_8	-	-	-	NO	NO	PF00144:Beta-lactamase-relat	40	5.9	c



781.1_06362.							ed					
t1												
pfu_aug2.0_2	3E-06	Homo	E3 ubiquitin-protein ligase	NO	YES	PF00643:B-box-type	zinc	149	6.9	c		
05.1_17119.t		sapiens	TRIM33			finger						
1												
pfu_aug2.0_2	3E-44	Pinctada	Uncharacterized	shell	NO	YES	PF01359:Transposase, type 1	31	9.2	c		
75.1_17228.t		maxima	protein 1									
1												
pfu_aug2.0_2	3E-67	Paralich	Poly(U)-specific	YE	YES	PF01033:Somatomedin	B	37	5.1	c		
443.1_12165.		thys	endoribonuclease	S		domain						
t1		olivaceu				PF09412:Endoribonuclease						
		s				XendoU						
pfu_aug2.0_3	4E-15	Pinctada	Protein PIF	YE	YES	PF00092:von	Willebrand	68	8.2	c		
932.1_09248.		margarit		S		factor, type A						
t1		ifera										
pfu_aug2.0_9	1E-21	Pinctada	Protein PIF	NO	NO	-		35	8	c		
29.1_31288.t		margarit										
1		ifera										
pfu_aug2.0_7	0	Pinctada	Protein PIF	YE	YES	PF00092:von	Willebrand	108	4.9	c		
15.1_17768.t		fucata		S		factor, type A						
1												
pfu_aug2.0_7	4E-10	Pinctada	Protein PIF	NO	YES	-		366	5.2	c		
47.1_24368.t		fucata										
1												
pfu_aug2.0_2	2E-91	Locusta	Apolipoporphins	NO	YES	PF00094:von	Willebrand	441	8.8	c		
69.1_30539.t		migrator				factor, type D domain						
1		ia				PF09172:Vitellinogen, open						
						beta-sheet						
						PF01347:Lipid transport						
						protein, N-terminal						
<b>pfu_cdna2.0_089203</b>	8E-44	Mus	Collagen alpha-5(VI) chain	YE	YES	PF01607:Chitin	binding	262	7.4	b		
		musculu		S		domain						
		s				PF00092:von	Willebrand					
						factor, type A						
pfu_aug2.0_2	2E-13	Gallus	Collagen alpha-1(I) chain	NO	YES	PF01391:Collagen triple helix		236	9.9	c		
218.1_28718.		gallus				repeat						
t1												
pfu_aug2.0_2	3E-148	Rattus	Sushi, von Willebrand	YE	NO	PF00084:Sushi/SCR/CCP		462	4.9	c		
19.1_30448.t		norvegic	factor type A, EGF and	S		domain						
1		us	pentraxin			PF00092:von	Willebrand					
			domain-containing protein			factor, type A						
			1			PF01607:Chitin	binding					
						domain						
pfu_aug2.0_2	-	-	-	YE	YES	PF01607:Chitin	binding	202	6.5	c		

97.1_23818.t						S		domain			
1											
pfu_aug2.0_3	-	-	-			NO	YES	PF03067:Chitin-binding,	43	7.1	c
9.1_30047.t1								domain 3			
pfu_aug2.0_7	-	-	-			NO	YES	-	94	6	c
47.1_24365.t											
1											
pfu_aug2.0_2	-	-	-			NO	YES	PF03567:Sulfotransferase	147	9.9	c
10.1_00425.t								PF01607:Chitin binding			
1								domain			
pfu_aug2.0_7	1E-39	Mytilus	Shell matrix protein			NO	YES	PF13385	74	6.3	c
063.1_12916.t1		californi	(Fragment)								
		anus									
pfu_aug2.0_5	3E-47	Mytilus	Shell matrix protein			NO	YES	PF13385	92	5	c
3.1_10184.t1		californi	(Fragment)								
		anus									
pfu_aug2.0_1	2E-09	Danio	Caprin-2			YE	NO	PF00386:C1q domain	18	9.2	c
919.1_31963.t1		rerio				S					
pfu_aug2.0_4	4E-08	Danio	Caprin-2			YE	NO	PF00386:C1q domain	18	9.2	c
70.1_00785.t		rerio				S					
1											
pfu_aug2.0_2	1E-93	Pinctada	EGF-like			YE	YES	-	30	6.1	c
116.1_21941.t1		maxima	domain-containing protein			S					
			1 (Fragment)								
pfu_aug2.0_2	5E-176	Pinctada	EGF-like domain			YE	YES	-	41	8.4	c
116.1_21942.t1		margarit	containing protein 2			S					
		ifera									
pfu_aug2.0_2	1E-108	Pinctada	EGF-like			NO	YES	-	31	5.8	c
116.1_21943.t1		maxima	domain-containing protein								
			2								
pfu_aug2.0_1	4E-09	Dipetalo	Serine protease inhibitor			NO	NO	PF07648:Kazal domain	19	8	c
222.1_08259.t1		gaster	dipetalogastin (Fragment)								
		maximu									
		s									
pfu_aug2.0_2	4E-18	Dipetalo	Serine protease inhibitor			YE	YES	PF07648:Kazal domain	28	8.9	c
83.1_10556.t		gaster	dipetalogastin (Fragment)			S		PF00050:Kazal domain			
1		maximu									
		s									
pfu_aug2.0_2	7E-16	Dipetalo	Serine protease inhibitor			YE	YES	PF00050:Kazal domain	26	8.7	c
83.1_10558.t		gaster	dipetalogastin (Fragment)			S					
1		maximu									
		s									
pfu_aug2.0_2	1E-18	Dipetalo	Serine protease inhibitor			YE	NO	PF00050:Kazal domain	22	8.5	c

83.1_10562.t		gaster	dipetalogastin (Fragment)	S								
1		maximu										
		s										
pfu_aug2.0_2	2E-24	Dipetalo	Serine protease inhibitor	YE	NO	PF07648:Kazal domain	27	8.5	c			
83.1_10563.t		gaster	dipetalogastin (Fragment)	S		PF00050:Kazal domain						
1		maximu										
		s										
pfu_aug2.0_2	3E-11	Dipetalo	Serine protease inhibitor	YE	NO	PF00050:Kazal domain	19	8.5	c			
83.1_10555.t		gaster	dipetalogastin (Fragment)	S								
1		maximu										
		s										
pfu_aug2.0_2	2E-12	Melitha	Four-domain proteases	YE	NO	PF07648:Kazal domain	18	8.3	c			
83.1_10559.t		ea	inhibitor	S		PF00050:Kazal domain						
1		caledoni										
		ca										
pfu_aug2.0_2	2E-13	Dipetalo	Serine protease inhibitor	YE	YES	PF07648:Kazal domain	18	8.2	c			
83.1_10560.t		gaster	dipetalogastin (Fragment)	S		PF00050:Kazal domain						
1		maximu										
		s										
pfu_aug2.0_3	2E-176	Pinctada	EGF-like	NO	YES	-	36	5.8	c			
578.1_29138.tl		maxima	domain-containing protein									
			1 (Fragment)									
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29.1_30750.t		margarit	domain-containing protein									
1		ifera	2									
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38.1_27830.t		margarit	containing protein 2	S								
1		ifera										
pfu_aug2.0_1	2E-49	Drosoph	Papilin	NO	NO	PF00014:Pancreatic trypsin inhibitor Kunitz domain	36	9.4	c			
638.1_28429.tl		ila										
		melanog										
		aster										
pfu_aug2.0_1	2E-35	Pinctada	BPTI/Kunitz	NO	NO	PF00014:Pancreatic trypsin inhibitor Kunitz domain	15	8	c			
638.1_28435.tl		margarit	domain-containing protein									
		ifera	2									
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814.1_16145.tl		margarit	domain-containing protein	S								
		ifera	1									

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pfu_aug2.0_2 907.1_25578.tl	4E-46	Pinctada margaritifera	BPTI/Kunitz domain-containing protein 4	NO	YES	PF02822:Antistatin-like domain PF00014:Pancreatic trypsin inhibitor Kunitz domain	15	9.2	c
pfu_aug2.0_1 101.1_04821.tl	1E-26	Sabellastartea magnifica	Carboxypeptidase inhibitor SmCI	NO	YES	PF00014:Pancreatic trypsin inhibitor Kunitz domain	50	9.6	c
pfu_aug2.0_1 101.1_04822.tl	1E-35	Pinctada maxima	BPTI/Kunitz domain-containing protein 2	YE	YES	PF00125:Histone H2A/H2B/H3 PF00014:Pancreatic trypsin inhibitor Kunitz domain	57	9.9	c
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pfu_aug2.0_3 228.1_29058.tl	3E-40	Pinctada margaritifera	NTR domain-containing protein	YE	NO	PF00965:Protease inhibitor I35 (TIMP)	17	9	c
pfu_aug2.0_9 44.1_14673.tl 1	5E-23	Pinctada margaritifera	NTR domain-containing protein	NO	YES	PF13855:Leucine-rich repeat PF00057:Low-density lipoprotein (LDL) receptor class A repeat	145	5.4	c
pfu_aug2.0_5 86.1_20950.tl 1	-	-	-	NO	YES	PF00965:Protease inhibitor I35 (TIMP)	33	8.1	c
pfu_aug2.0_1 661.1_05172.tl	-	-	-	NO	YES	PF00965:Protease inhibitor I35 (TIMP)	76	9.1	c

pfu_aug2.0_2 607.1_25472. t2	4E-34	Pinctada margarit ifera	Uncharacterized protein 1	shell	YE S	YES	PF00965:Protease inhibitor I35 (TIMP)	35	9.2	c
pfu_aug2.0_5 014.1_16058. t1	-	-	-		YE S	YES	PF00965:Protease inhibitor I35 (TIMP)	74	8.8	c
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pfu_aug2.0_1 940.1_01913. t1	8E-114	Homo sapiens	Zinc finger domain-containing protein 15	CCCH	NO	YES	PF16543 PF00642:Zinc finger, CCCH-type	41	8.6	c
pfu_aug2.0_3 57.1_23926.t 1	1E-07	Rhodob acter blasticus	ATP synthase subunits region ORF 7		YE S	NO	PF09458:H-type lectin domain	25	7	c
pfu_aug2.0_4 95.1_17489.t 1	2E-126	Homo sapiens	Adhesion protein-coupled receptor L3	G	YE S	YES	PF01825:GPS motif PF00059:C-type lectin PF16489 PF00002:GPCR, family 2, secretin-like	104	8.5	c
pfu_aug2.0_8 13.1_11208.t 1	1E-14	Danio erio	Natterin-like protein		NO	YES	PF01419:Jacalin-like lectin domain PF03318:Clostridium epsilon toxin ETX/Bacillus mosquitocidal toxin MTX2	45	8.4	c
pfu_aug2.0_5 024.1_16059. t1	2E-18	Danio erio	Natterin-like protein		NO	YES	-	39	5.7	c
pfu_aug2.0_6 63.1_11059.t 1	4E-13	Pinctada maxima	Shematrin-like protein 3		NO	YES	-	45	9.7	c
pfu_cdna2.0_ 003257	2E-91	Pinctada fucata	N16.3 matrix protein		YE S	YES	-	16	5.7	c
pfu_aug2.0_1 259.1_31566. t1	-	-	-		NO	YES	PF00024:PAN/Apple domain	26	5.3	c
pfu_aug2.0_1 910.1_01900. t1	8E-52	Mus musculu s	Bromodomain-containing protein 8		NO	YES	PF00439:Bromodomain	189	5.1	c
pfu_aug2.0_2 899.1_32337. t1	1E-62	Mus musculu s	Leucine-rich repeat and calponin homology domain-containing protein 1		NO	YES	PF13855:Leucine-rich repeat PF00307:Calponin homology domain	196	9.8	c
<b>pfu_aug2.0_</b>	-	-	-		YE	YES	-	43	3.8	b

<b>2162.1_0876</b>								S			
<b>2.t1</b>											
pfu_aug2.0_1	1E-06	Dictyost	Midasin	NO	YES	-		192	3.9	c	
26.1_20287.t		elium									
1		discoide									
		um									
pfu_aug2.0_4	-	-	-	NO	YES	-		109	3.7	c	
44.1_14163.t											
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<b>pfu_aug2.0_</b>	<b>3E-87</b>	<b>Pinctada</b>	<b>Valine-rich protein</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>-</b>		<b>61</b>	<b>9.9</b>	<b>b</b>	
<b>618.1_27594.</b>											
<b>t1</b>											
<b>pfu_aug2.0_</b>	<b>5E-65</b>	<b>Pinctada</b>	<b>Mantle protein</b>	<b>YE</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>-</b>		<b>30</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>b</b>	
<b>618.1_27595.</b>											
<b>t1</b>											
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90.1_00814.t		norvegic	member 11	S			PF01556:Chaperone DnaJ,				
1		us					C-terminal				
pfu_aug2.0_3	-	-	-	YE	YES	-		170	9.8	c	
.1_10035.t1				S							
pfu_aug2.0_3	-	-	-	YE	YES	-		20	8.2	c	
4.1_13448.t1				S							
pfu_aug2.0_8	8E-133	Pinctada	Uncharacterized shell	NO	YES	-		23	9.7	c	
74.1_14622.t		margarit	protein 2								
1		ifera									
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60.1_00336.t		gigantea	protein 26 (Fragment)	S							
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46.1_21112.t				S							
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582.1_09723.											
<b>t1</b>											
pfu_aug2.0_2	5E-09	Aplysia	Buccalin	NO	NO	-		33	11	c	
40.1_00477.t		californica									
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116.1_21407.		maxima	nacre protein	S							
<b>t1</b>											
pfu_aug2.0_1	3E-47	Pinctada	Uncharacterized	YE	YES	-		10	11	c	
163.1_11481.		maxima	protein 3	S							
<b>t1</b>											
pfu_aug2.0_1	1E-44	Pinctada	Serine, glycine and	YE	YES	-		33	9.5	c	

88.1_27003.t		maxima	glutamine-rich	S						
1			protein							
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096.1_22282.t		californianus								
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423.1_11654.t										
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46.1_20326.t										
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800.1_01846.t										
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942.1_08662.t				S						
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744.1_15850.t				S						
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76.1_20812.t				S						
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28.1_27714.t				S						
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53.1_11239.t				S						
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62.1_07957.t										
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62.1_07958.t				S						
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13.1_10298.t				S						
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504.1_15072.									
t1									
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549.1_31754.				S					
t1									
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549.1_31755.									
t1									
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t1									
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125.1_18698.				S					
t1									
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205.1_18728.									
t1									
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212.1_08780.				S					
t1									
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356.1_22037.				S					
t1									
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991.1_05713.				S					
t1									
pfu_aug2.0_3	-	-	-	YE	YES	-	87	9.7	c
371.1_05817.				S					
t1									
pfu_aug2.0_5	-	-	-	YE	YES	-	57	9.3	c
2.1_06823.t1				S					
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3.1_10183.t1				S					
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5.1_16813.t1				S					
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83.1_10957.t									
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pfu_aug2.0_8	-	-	-	YE	YES	-	10	5.2	c
7.1_23420.t1				S					
pfu_aug2.0_8	-	-	-	YE	YES	-	14	9.2	c
74.1_14621.t				S					
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pfu_aug2.0_9	-	-	-	NO	YES	-	27	9.1	c
918.1_29684.									
t1									
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931.1_06417.									
t1									
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163.1_11480.				S					
t1									
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369.1_31644.				S					
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pfu_aug2.0_1	-	-	-	YE	NO	-	49	8.4	c
55.1_17024.t				S					
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pfu_aug2.0_2	-	-	-	NO	NO	-	52	9.3	c
27.1_23707.t									
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307.1_25376.									
t1									
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823.1_12525.				S					
t1									
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173.1_12602.									
t1									
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079.1_32931.				S					
t1									
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47.1_24369.t				S					
l									
pfu_aug2.0_8	-	-	-	NO	YES	-	110	9.8	c
84.1_14629.t									
l									
pfu_aug2.0_9	-	-	-	NO	NO	-	28	6.9	c
32.1_08017.t									
l									
pfu_aug2.0_9	-	-	-	YE	NO	-	23	8.7	c
32.1_08018.t				S					
l									
pfu_aug2.0_9	-	-	-	NO	NO	-	43	9.3	c
32.1_08019.t									

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623.1_11769.											
t1											
pfu_aug2.0_2	4E-158	Strongylocentr	33 kDa inner dynein		NO	NO	PF10211:Axonemal dynein		29	9.2	c
22.1_07177.t		otus purpuratus	arm light chain,				light chain				
1			axonemal								
pfu_aug2.0_3	9E-125	Chlamydomon	Dynein beta chain,		YE	YES	PF03028:Dynein heavy chain		626	5.6	c
22.1_07359.t		as reinhardtii	flagellar outer arm		S		domain				
1							PF12774				
							PF12781				
							PF12775				
							PF08385:Dynein heavy chain,				
							domain-1				
							PF12777:Dynein heavy chain,				
							coiled coil stalk				
							PF08393:Dynein heavy chain,				
							domain-2				
							PF13306:Leucine rich repeat				
							5				
pfu_aug2.0_2	0	Mus musculus	Dynein heavy chain		NO	NO	PF08385:Dynein heavy chain,		205	5.8	c
470.1_02142.			8, axonemal				domain-1				
t1							PF08393:Dynein heavy chain,				
							domain-2				
pfu_aug2.0_3	0	Homo sapiens	Dynein heavy chain		NO	YES	PF12781		294	5.7	c
00.1_00563.t			10, axonemal				PF08393:Dynein heavy chain,				
1							domain-2				
							PF07728:ATPase,				
							dynein-related, AAA domain				
							PF12775				
							PF12774				
							PF12780:Dynein heavy chain,				
							P-loop containing D4 domain				
							PF03028:Dynein heavy chain				
							domain				
							PF12777:Dynein heavy chain,				
							coiled coil stalk				
pfu_aug2.0_1	4E-08	Rhodobacter	ATP synthase		NO	NO	PF09458:H-type lectin		23	5.8	c
891.1_05300.		blasticus	subunits region ORF				domain				
t1			7								
pfu_aug2.0_1	1E-100	Homo sapiens	CD109 antigen		YE	YES	PF07678:Alpha-macroglobulin		295	9.1	c
44.1_13676.t					S		n complement component				
1							PF10569:Alpha-2-macroglobulin,				
							thiol-ester bond-forming				

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							PF01835:Alpha-2-macroglobulin, N-terminal			
							PF00207:Alpha-2-macroglobulin			
							PF07677:Alpha-macroglobulin, receptor-binding			
pfu_aug2.0_1	3E-15	Homo sapiens	Ribosome-binding protein 1	NO	YES	-		477	9.6	c
495.1_18365.tl										
pfu_aug2.0_2	-	-	-	NO	NO		PF00241:Actin-depolymerising factor homology domain	14	4.8	c
922.1_09016.tl										

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Bold text: common SMPs for larva and adult; '-' means not applicable; SP: signal peptide; RLCD: repeats of low complexity domains.

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## **Chapter 3 Phylogenetic comparisons revealed mosaic histories of deployment among larval and adult shell matrix proteins in pteriomorph bivalves**

**Key words:** carbonic anhydrase, chitinase, molecular evolution, molluscs, shell matrix protein (SMP), VWA and chitin-binding domain-containing protein

### **3.1 Introduction**

The overwhelming appearance of mineralized skeletons, including calcium phosphate, calcium carbonate and silica, opens the grand history of the metazoan taxa at the dawn of the Cambrian (Knoll and Carroll 1999; Morris 1998; Shubin and Marshall 2000). Among the metazoan biominerals, calcium carbonate skeletons of the Mollusca provide exceptional resources for studying the processes of biomineralization by exhibiting tremendously abundant morphologies (Lowenstam and Weiner 1989), as well as a huge diversity of special microstructures identifiable and characteristic for each species, publications on the classification of which are available (Boggild 1930; Carter and Clark 1985; Chateigner, et al. 2000). Despite this complexity, the adult molluscan shells are secreted by an evolutionarily homologous organ known as the mantle (Jolly, et al. 2004; Sudo, et al. 1997), and different aspects of the shell formation processes are controlled by the organic molecules, collectively known as the shell matrix, which is a quantitatively minor constituent of the shell (0.1%~5% w/w according to different species and microstructures) (Mann 1988). To date, a large number of shell matrix proteins (SMPs) have been found in molluscs, from the acidic ones, MSI31 (Sudo, et al. 1997), MSP-1 (Sarashina and Endo 2001), Aspein (Tsukamoto, et al. 2004), Prismaticin-14 (Suzuki, et al. 2004) and Asp-rich protein families (Gotliv, et al. 2005), to the more basic ones such as N66 (Kono, et al. 2000), Shematrins (Yano, et al. 2006) and KRMPs (Zhang, et al. 2006). As the number of identified SMPs increases from different molluscan species, lineage-specific repertoires of SMPs (Marie, et al. 2013; Marie, et al. 2011a),

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respective molecular toolkits that control the formation of prism and nacre within one species (Marie, et al. 2012; Takeuchi and Endo 2006), as well as the dual gene repertoires in charge of larval and the adult shell formation (Zhao, et al. 2018) have been noticed. Meanwhile, only a few homologous SMPs have been reported to be shared between different species, and the rare examples that are shared at the level between gastropods and bivalves include Carbonic anhydrase, Pif/BMSP-like protein, Perlucin and Perlwapin (Marie, et al. 2013; Marie, et al. 2011a; Zhao, et al. 2018).

In order to explain the evolutionary relationships among the various SMP repertoires and how the components of them were recruited by the shell, two extreme scenarios have been given (Marin, et al. 2007). On one hand, the “ancient heritage” scenario was generally favored by the fossil record of skeletal elements suddenly shown up in Tommotian rocks, and the fossil record suggests that the main classes of molluscs had representatives in the Cambrian, including polyplacophores, monoplacophores, cephalopods, gastropods, bivalves (Lecointre and Le Guyader 2001; Runnegar 1996), as well as the complex shell microstructures of early Cambrian molluscs (Feng and Sun 2003; Kouchinsky 2000). A single and ancient origin of common SMPs is suggested by the fast exploitation of all textural combinations and most of the design possibilities for building their skeleton (Thomas, et al. 2000) resulted from recruitment of Precambrian functions, which were not related to mineralization (Marin, et al. 2003). In addition, the primary structure of SMPs may also support the speculation of the antiquity of some SMPs. For instance, the high similarities between the functional domains of the molluscan carbonic anhydrases (CAs), including the SMPs of Nacrein and N66, and CAs of other metazoans have been noticed. Because the conversion of carbon dioxide into bicarbonate is an ancient function, and this function could be primordial in calcium carbonate biomineralization, and because carbonic anhydrase domains have been found in both bivalves and gastropods, it is hard to think of such a key function results from a recent recruitment (Marin, et al. 2007).

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On the other hand, the “recent heritage and fast evolution” scenario was supported by the unique origins of different shell matrices indicated by the “independent inventions” based on the phylogenetic comparisons of homologous genes (Marin, et al. 2007). The transcriptomic data indicated that 85% of the secreted proteins of the abalone *Haliotis asinina* are unknown and only 19% of the secreted proteins of *H. asinina* are homologous to those of the patellogastropod *Lottia scutum* (Jackson, et al. 2006), suggesting that the shell is constructed from a rapidly evolving secretome (Marin, et al. 2007). This scenario was also supported by the phylogenetic tree of dermatopontins of eight gastropod species (Sarashina, et al. 2006). Dermatopontin is an ancient protein, because it is found in various metazoans including sponges and human (Fujii, et al. 1992; Neame, et al. 1989; Schütze, et al. 2001) with general functions in cell-matrix interactions and matrix assembly (Marxen and Becker 1997; Marxen, et al. 2003). However, in the two gastropod lineages, Basommatophora (pond snails) and Stylommatophora (land snails), the recruitment of dermatopontin to the shell occurred twice independently (Sarashina, et al. 2006).

Although the mollucan adult shells show complex micro-textures and different mineralogies, molluscan larval shells have microstructures similar to each other, and are composed only of aragonite (Eyster 1986; Eyster 1983; Iwata 1980; LaBarbera 1974; Weiss, et al. 2002), implying that larval shells are evolutionarily highly conserved (Taylor 1973). If we take the commonality in mineralogy and microstructures as a hallmark of “primitive” states of shells, studies of the larval SMPs could shed light on the reconstruction of the ancestral features of larval shells as well as the origin of SMPs among different lineages.

With the help of advanced next-generation sequencing and proteomic techniques, the first larval shell proteomes of two pteriomorph bivalve species, the pacific oyster, *Crassostrea gigas* and the pearl oyster, *Pinctada fucata* were published (Zhao, et al. 2018). In this study, we performed phylogenetic analyses on the SMPs which were shown to be shared by the larval and adult shells in both species, and discuss the time

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points when they were recruited as SMPs.

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## 3.2 Materials and methods

### 3.2.1 Data resources

The details of the shell matrix proteins (SMPs) of *Crassostrea gigas* and *Pinctada fucata*, including amino acid sequences, results of annotation, and gene expression patterns indicated by RNA-Seq can be found in our previously published report (Zhao, et al. 2018). The amino acid sequences and other details of the shell and other proteins of the other species (*Lottia gigantea*, *Mitulus galloprovincialis*, *Octopus bimaculoides*, *Homo sapiens* and *Arabidopsis thaliana*) were obtained from the public databases including InterPro protein analysis and classification (<http://www.ebi.ac.uk/interpro/>), Genebank (<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/genbank/>), *Pinctada fucata* genome project web site ([http://marinegenomics.oist.jp/pearl/viewer/info?project\\_id=36](http://marinegenomics.oist.jp/pearl/viewer/info?project_id=36)) (Tables 3.1, 3.2, 3.3 and 3.4).

### 3.2.2 Sequence analysis

Blastp searches against the UniProtKB/Swiss-Prot database (<https://blast.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Blast.cgi>) were performed on the SuperComputer facilities of International Institute of Genetics using the default settings. SMART online service (<http://smart.embl-heidelberg.de>) and BLAST were applied to predict the presence of functional domains and the signal peptide. Sequence alignments were performed on ClustalX program embedded in Genetyx version 6 (Genetyx, Tokyo, Japan).

### 3.2.3 Alignments and setting for phylogenetic trees

Multiple sequences were aligned using ClustalW embedded in the phylogenetic analysis tool MEGA 7.0 (Kumar, et al. 2016) with default settings. Alignment results were submitted to the online Gblocks server ([http://molevol.cmima.csic.es/castresana/Gblocks\\_server.html](http://molevol.cmima.csic.es/castresana/Gblocks_server.html)) to remove poorly aligned regions and divergent regions of protein alignment with default settings (stringent). Phylogenetic analysis was performed using maximum-likelihood (ML) method on MEGA 7.0. Both LG or Poisson models were applied. Reliability was



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examined by bootstrap analysis based on 1000 replicates. Polychotomies were generated by collapsing the nodes with a bootstrap value lower than 50.

### **3.2.4 Phylogenetic analyses of CB, VWA and Laminin G domains in molluscan shell matrix proteins**

According to a genome-wide survey based on the InterProScan online database as well as our proteomic work, an overwhelming expansion of VWA (IPR002035) and chitin-binding domain (IPR002557)-containing protein (VWA-CB dcp) in molluscs has been reported compared with other taxa (Zhao, et al. 2018). Pif is a representative of this class of proteins, and its functions in the formation of nacre in *Pinctada fucata* have been documented (Suzuki, et al. 2009). As molluscan SMPs, VWA-CB dcps or Pif/BMSP-like proteins were reported in *Mytilus galloprovincialis* (Suzuki, et al. 2011), *Lottia gigantea* (Mann, et al. 2012; Marie, et al. 2013) and in both the larval and adult shells of *Crassostrea gigas* and *P. fucata* (Suzuki, et al. 2009; Zhang, et al. 2012; Zhao, et al. 2018). BMSPs (blue mussel shell proteins) contains more than one VWA domains, while other VWA-CB dcps of molluscan SMPs possess only one VWA domain. In order to reconstruct the evolutionary relationships among these shell-specific VWA-CB dcps, phylogenetic analyses were performed on 37 (Fig. 3.16) and 127 (Fig. 3.17) alignable amino acid residues of CB and VWA domains, respectively, through maximum likelihood method with LG (Figs. 3.1 A and B; 3.2 A and B) and Poisson (Figs. 3.7 A and B; 3.8 A and B) models. Domains of the VWA-CB dcp of the tunicate *Ciona intestinalis* were used as the outgroup. Predicted domain structures of the proteins and the place where the SMP were identified are illustrated in Fig. 3.1 C and Fig. 3.2 C. Phylogenetic analyses were also performed on the Laminin G domain, which was identified by SMART and BLAST domain searches, for 57 amino acid residues (Fig. 3.19 A) and on the concatenated CB and Laminin G domains for 86 amino acid residues (Fig. 3.19 B), respectively, with LG (Figs. 3.3 A, B, C and D) and Poisson (Figs. 3.10 A, B, C and D) models.

### **3.2.5 Phylogenetic analyses of carbonic anhydrase (CA) in molluscs**

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The CA domain is another common domain identified in both larval and adult shell proteomes of *C. gigas* and *P. fucata* in our previous study (Zhao, et al. 2018). CA genes are highly expanded in molluscs compared with other protostomian animals (Zhao, et al. 2018), though reports of shell-specific CAs are still poor and none has been reported from cephalopods. In order to estimate the origin of shell-specific CAs in molluscs, phylogenetic analyses were performed on the CA domains of the four molluscan species, *Crassostrea gigas*, *Pinctada fucata*, *Lottia gigantea* and *Octopus bimaculoides*, the genomic and/or proteomic data of which are deposited in the public databases. Trees were generated based on 82 amino acid residues (ClustalW alignment result was modified by GBlocks) (Fig. 3.20), respectively, via LG and Poisson models. A CA domain of the plant *Arabidopsis thaliana* was used as the outgroup. Phylogenetic trees were generated through LG (Figs. 3.4 A and B) and Poisson (Figs. 3.11 A and B) models, respectively. Phylogenetic analyses were also performed on the 55 unambiguously aligned amino acid residues of CAs of molluscan shells and those of human (Fig. 3.21) via LG (Figs. 3.12 A and B) and Poisson (Figs. 3.12 C and D) models in order to infer the relationships among them.

### 3.2.6 Phylogenetic analyses on chitobiasis

A combined domain search with SMART and BLAST (E-value:  $10^{-5}$ ) was performed on CGI\_10007856, Pfu\_aug2.0\_6.1\_20027.t1 and two adult shell-chitobiasis CGI\_10007857 and Pfu aug2.0\_6.1\_20028.t1 (Zhang, et al. 2012; Zhao, et al. 2018), revealing that they all possess conserved sequences of the four domains, CHB\_HEX domain (IPR004866), Glyco\_hydro\_20b domain (IPR015882), Glyco\_hydro\_20 domain (IPR015883) and CHB\_HEX\_C domain (IPR004867) (Fig. 3.5 A). Phylogenetic analyses on the shell-chitobiasis (Figs. 3.6 A and B, 3.15 A and B) were performed using the genes possessing the all four domains via the combined domain searches in the four molluscan species, *C. gigas*, *P. fucata*, *L. gigantea* and *O. bimaculoides* (Table 3.3). A sequence of the brachiopod *Lingula anatina*, Lan\_1530 (Luo, et al. 2015), containing the same four domains was taken as the outgroup. Trees were generated based on 523 aa (ClustalW alignment of the concatenated sequences

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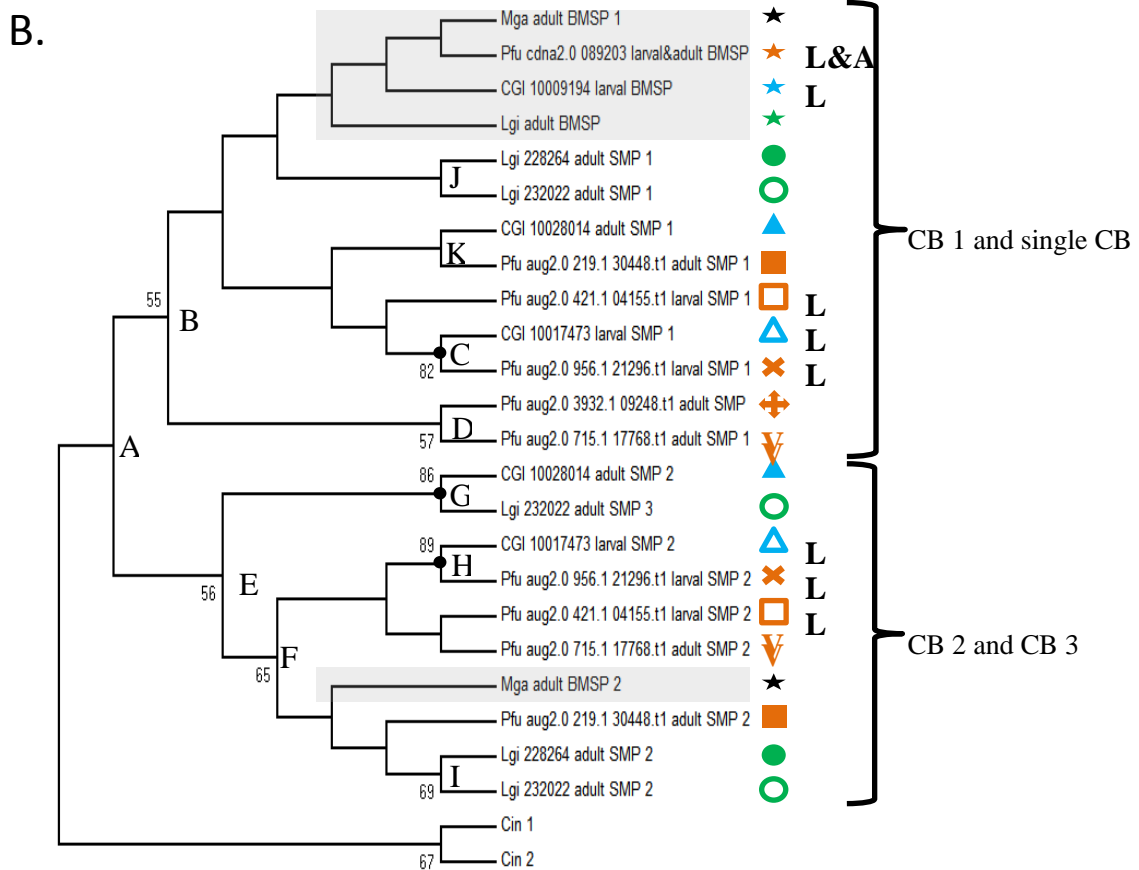
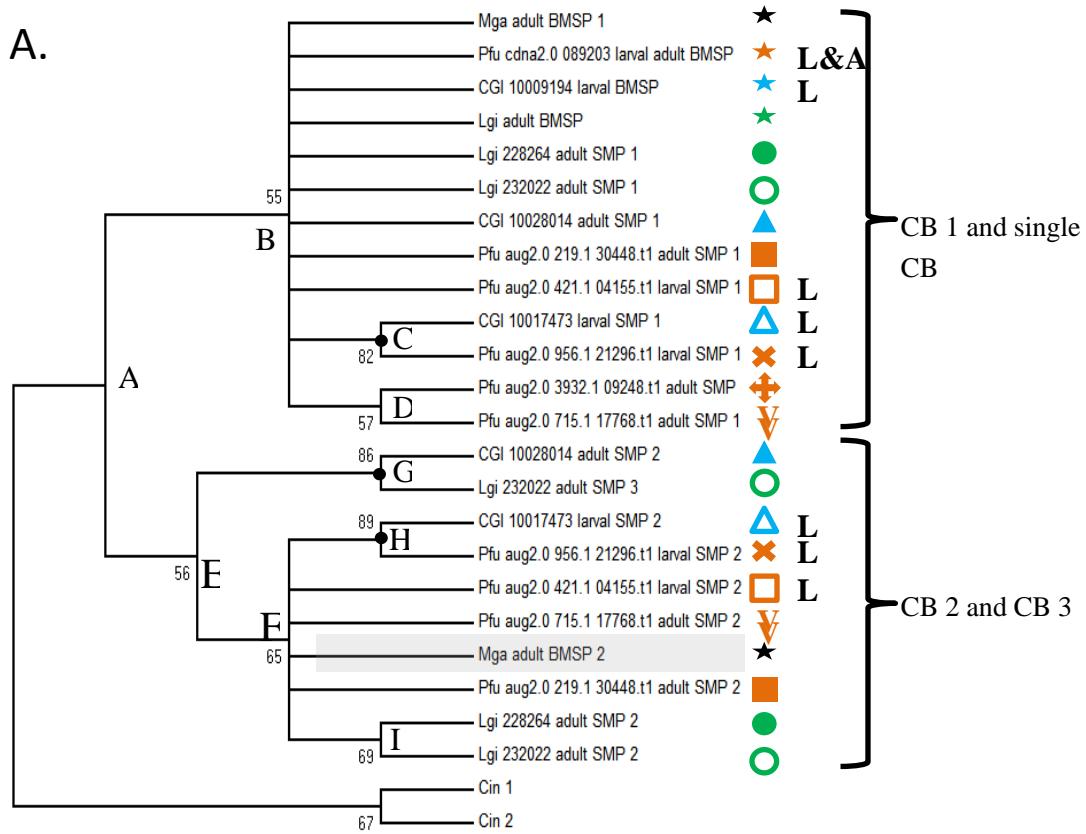
of the four domains modified by GBlocks) (Fig. 3.22) as well as on 106 aa (gaps were included in the former alignment) (Fig. 3.23), respectively, via LG (Figs. 3.6 A and B; Figs. 3.15 A and B) and Poisson (Figs. 3.14 A and B; 3.15 C and D) models. Also, the BLAST searches (E-value cut-off:  $10^{-5}$ ) indicated that the family 18 chitinases and the family 20 chitobiasins (Table 3.4) are not homologous in *C. gigas* and *P. fucata*, therefore, phylogenetic analyses were performed only on the family 20 chitobiasins-like proteins of both species.

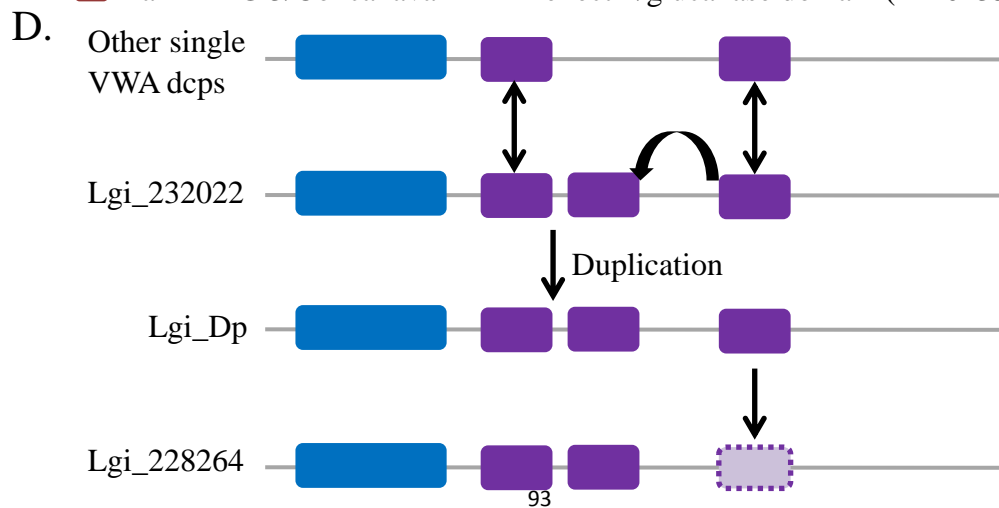
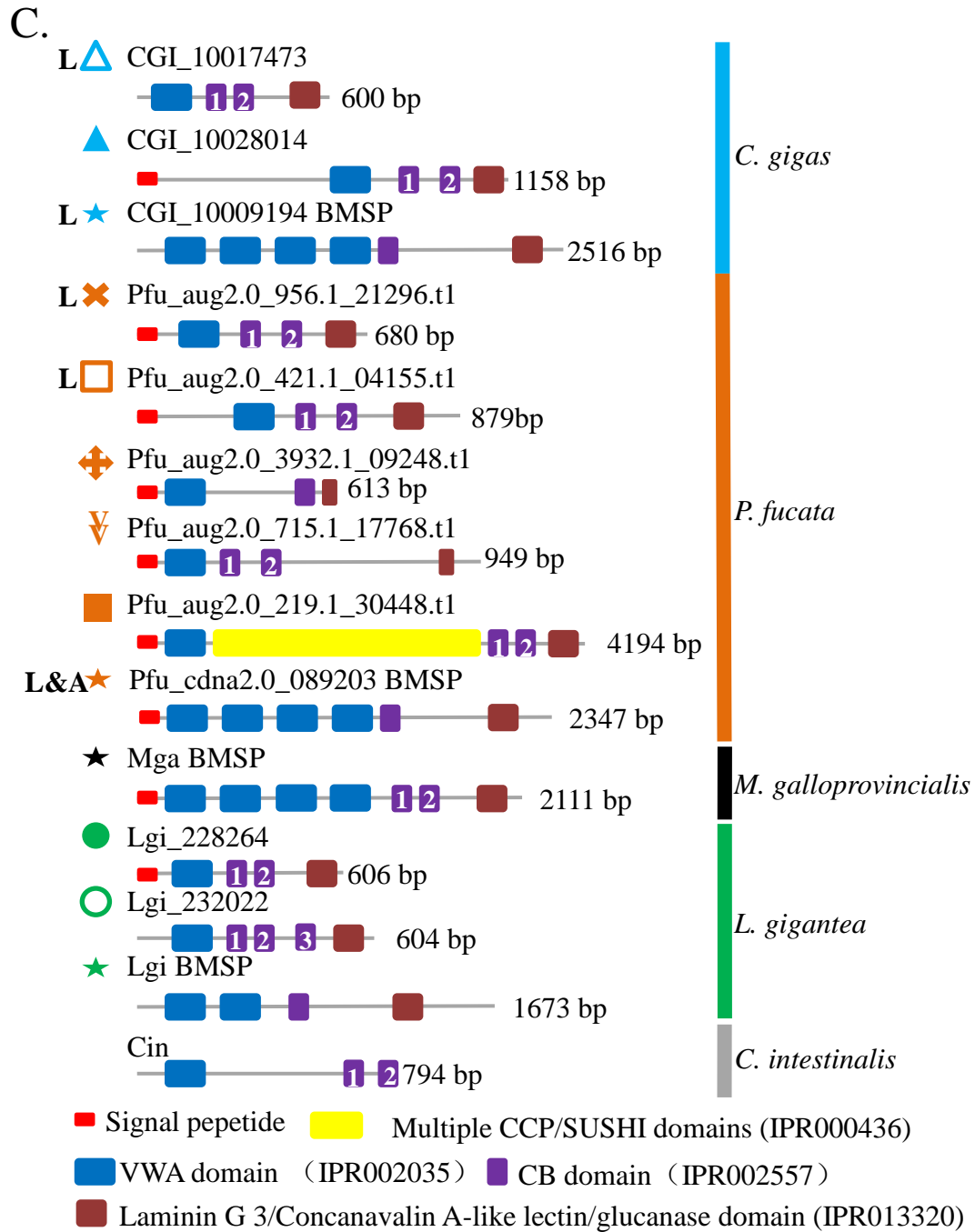
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### 3.3 Results and Discussion

#### 3.3.1 Evolutionary history of molluscan VWA-CB dcps

In the phylogenetic trees of CB domains (Figs. 3.1 A and B; 3.7 A and B), CB 1 and the single CB domains form a monophyletic group separated from that of CB 2 and CB 3, indicating that all extant shell-specific VWA-CB dcps are originated from an ancestor with two CB domains at node A (Figs. 3.1 A and B; 3.7 A and B). The clustering of a single group comprised of all BMSPs of both larval and adult shells of the bivalve and the gastropod (Figs. 3.1 B and 3.8 B) suggests that a possible duplication event of the single VWA domain-containing VWA-CB dcp in the common ancestor of the bivalves and the gastropods gave rise to the first BMSP. BMSPs are nested within in the group comprised of the CB 1 or single CB domains of the other VWA-dcps (Figs. 3.1 A and B; 3.7 A and B), indicating that CB 1 or single CB domain of the first BMSP and those of other VWA-dcps are orthologues inherited from the CB 1 domain of their common ancestor at node A. The BMSP of *M. galloprovincialis* possesses two CB domains, and the second CB domain was clustered with the monophyletic group of CB 2 domains of the other VWA-CB dcps. This result indicates that BMSP originally also had two CB domains like other VWA-CB dcps in the ancestral protein at node A. It is inferred that the CB 2 domain has been lost in the BMSPs of *C. gigas*, *P. fucata* and *L. gigantea*, rather than gained only in *M. galloprovincialis*.





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Fig. 3.1. Phylogenetic analyses of CB domains of VWA-CB dcps of molluscan shells through LG model on 37 amino acid residues. A, Polychotomes are generated if the bootstrap value of a node is lower than 50. Nodes A-I were indicated. B, All dichotomes are preserved. Bootstrap values are shown if over 50, and marked with black dots if over 80. Nodes A-J were indicated. C, Schematics of domain structure of VWA-CB dcps. D, History of CB domain duplication in VWA-CB dcps of *Lottia gigantea*. In the tree region, same proteins were marked by same marks. BMSPs were marked by stars and grey squares. A SMP was marked by 'L' if it is a larval SMP. Pfu\_cdna2.0\_089203 was identified from both larval and adult shells of *P. fucata*. CGI, *Crassostrea gigas*; Pfu, *Pinctada fucata*; Mga, *Mytilus galloprovincialis*; Lgi, *Lottia gigantea*; Cin, *Ciona intestinalis*.

The group of the larval VWA-CB dcps of *C. gigas* and *P. fucata* at node C (Figs. 3.1 A and B) and at node D (Figs. 3.7 A and B) indicate a recruitment of the VWA-CB dcp to the larval shell of the common ancestor of *C. gigas* and *P. fucata* before the divergence of the two species. A similar situation was suggested to have occurred to the adult shell of the ancestor of the two species at the node K (Fig. 3.1 B) and the node J (Fig. 3.7 B), though both were not supported by a high bootstrap value.

Interestingly, the CB 3 of Lgi\_232022 is orthologous to the CB 2 of CGI\_10028014, forming a clade at node G (Figs. 3.1 A and B) and at node E (Figs. 3.7 A and B), while the CB 2 of Lgi\_232022 is orthologous to the CB 2 of Lgi\_228264, forming a clade at node I (Figs. 3.1 A and B) and at G (Figs. 3.7 A and B), both of which are supported by relatively high bootstrap values. The evolutionary history of these two VWA-CB dcps of *L. gigantea* can be deduced from these relationships as follows (Fig. 3.1 D): in *L. gigantea*, first, a VWA-CB dcp containing two CB domains was inherited from the common ancestor of the bivalve and the gastropod as those of other species. Then, a duplication of the second CB domain (in the notation of other single VWA dcps) produced another CB domain between the original two, which generated Lgi\_232022. Next, duplication of Lgi\_232022 produced another copy of this protein Lgi\_Dp. Last, the third CB domain (in the notation of the Lgi\_232022 of *L. gigantea*) occurred in the Lgi\_Dp, finally generating Lgi\_228264 (Fig. 3.1 D).

Although the low bootstrap values of some nodes suggest the possibility of other

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phylogenetic relationships, topologies of the trees constructed via LG model (Figs. 3.1 A and B) and Poisson model (Figs. 3.7 A and B) generally exhibited high identities.

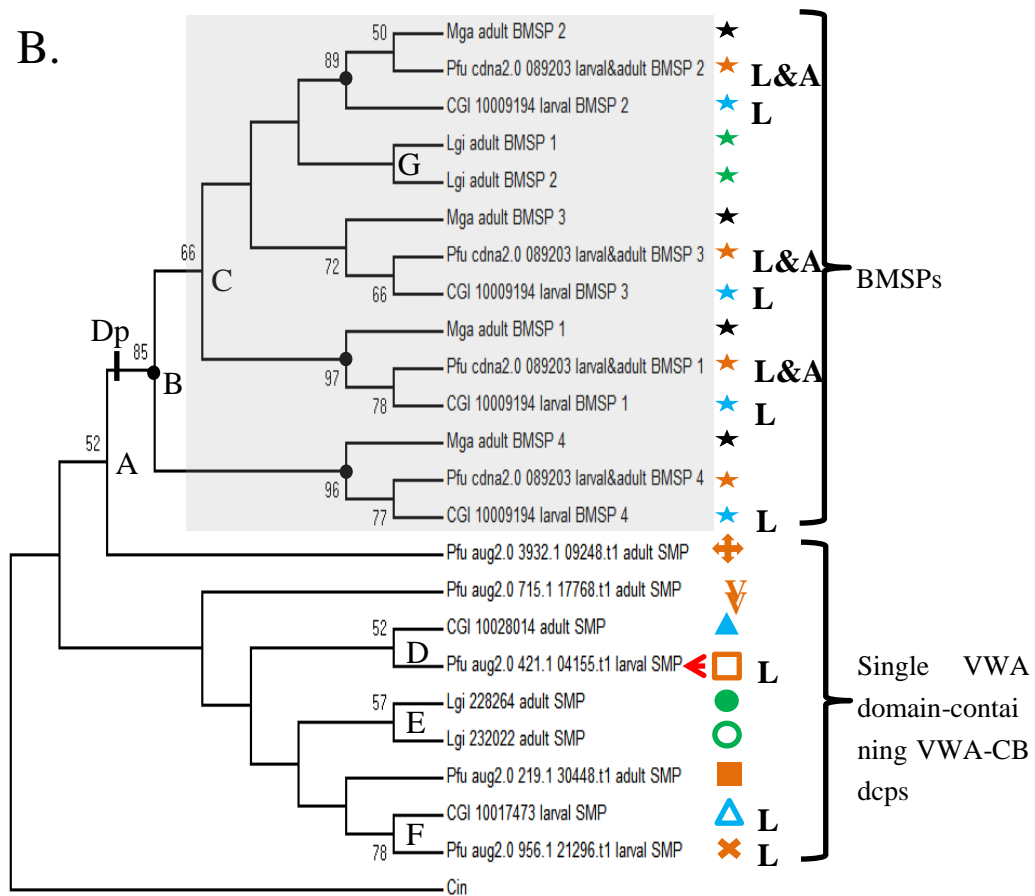
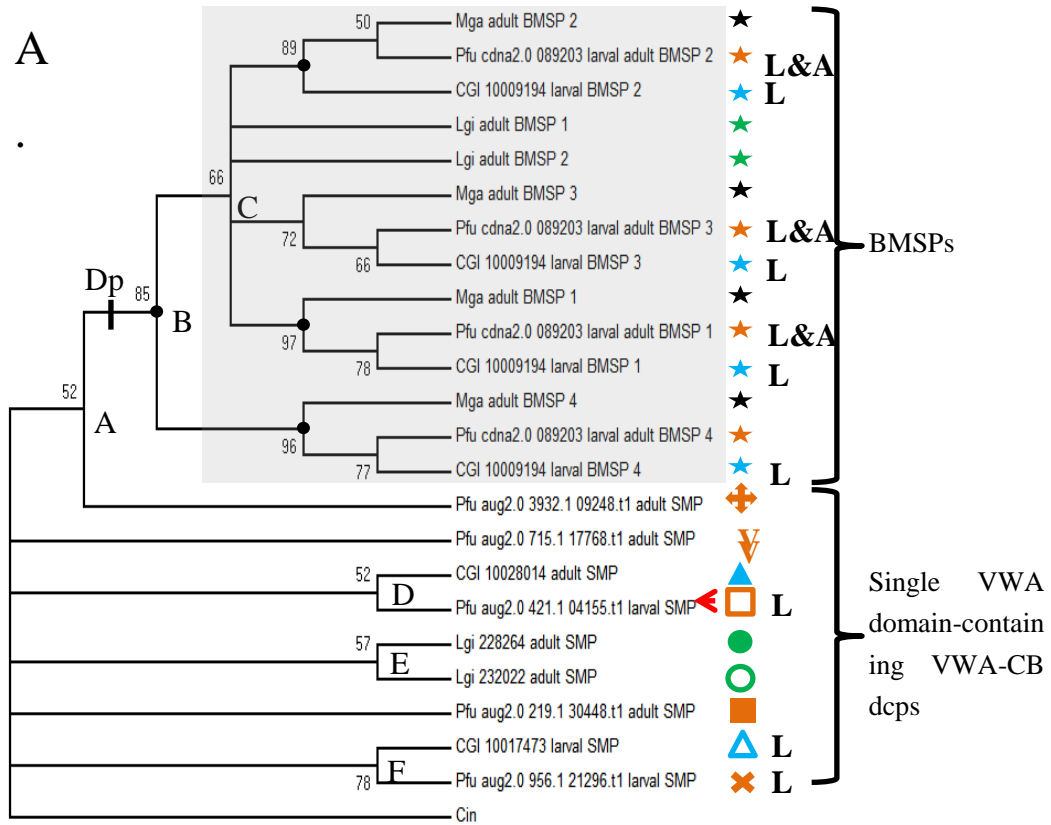
The occurrence of multiple VWA domains distinguishes the BMSPs from other VWA-CB dcps (Figs. 3.1 C and 3.2 C). In the reconstructed phylogenetic tree (LG model) of VWA domains (Figs. 3.2 A and B; 3.8 A and B), except for those of the BMSP of *L. gigantea*, multiple VWA domains of BMSPs are separated into four monophyletic groups according to the cognate number of the VWA domains. Meanwhile, multiple VWA domains of BMSPs are clustered together with the VWA domain of a single VWA domain-containing VWA-CB dcp of *P. fucata*, Pfu aug2.0 3932.1 09248.t1 (Figs. 3.2 A and B; 3.8 A and B). Taken together, possession of a single VWA domain in the common ancestor of BMSPs and single VWA domain-containing VWA-CB dcps can be inferred. Duplication (Dp) events of the VWA domain generated multiple VWA domains of BMSPs in the common ancestor of the bivalves and the gastropods before their divergence (in the internal branch between nodes A and B; Figs. 3.2 A and B; 3.8 A and B). This scenario is different from that indicated by a previous study (Suzuki, et al. 2013), in which multiple VWA domains of BMSPs were suggested to have been produced by independent duplications in each species. The previous study was based on an alignment between the BMSP of *M. galloprovincialis*, an SMP identified using calcium carbonate-binding assay (Suzuki, et al. 2013; Suzuki, et al. 2011), and LG236719, a multiple VWA domain-containing protein deduced from the genome data of *Lottia gigantea* (v1.0, <http://genome.jgi-psf.org/Lotgi1/Lotgi1.home.html>). Indeed, phylogenetic analyses of the VWA domains of the VWA-CB dcps identified from the shells as well as those of this theoretical BMSP LG236719 (Fig. 3.18) based on 138 amino acid residues (Figs. 3.9 A, B, C and D) show that the VWA domains of LG236719 remained out of the cluster formed by the other BMSPs (including the Lgi BMSP which was identified from the shell proteome of *L. gigantea*), forming a single cluster with one or two single VWA domain-containing VWA-CB dcps of *L. gigantea* (Figs. 3.9 B and D). This observation indicates species-specific duplications of the



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VWA domains for those VWA-CB dcps that is distinct from those of other BMSPs. However, it is dubious that LG236719 of *L. gigantea* is a shell protein, since its presence in the shell has not been confirmed by shell proteome analysis, and it is not found in the published shell proteome data of *L. gigantea* (Marie, et al. 2013). Therefore, it appears possible that the hypothesis proposed in a previous study (Suzuki, et al. 2013) was built on a comparison between SMPs and a non-SMP, which may have other physiological functions.

A recruitment of the VWA-CB dcps to the larval shell of the common ancestor of *C. gigas* and *P. fucata* before the speciation was also suggested by node F (Figs. 3.2 A and B) and node C (Figs. 3.8 A and B), where the larval SMPs of the two species form a single group.



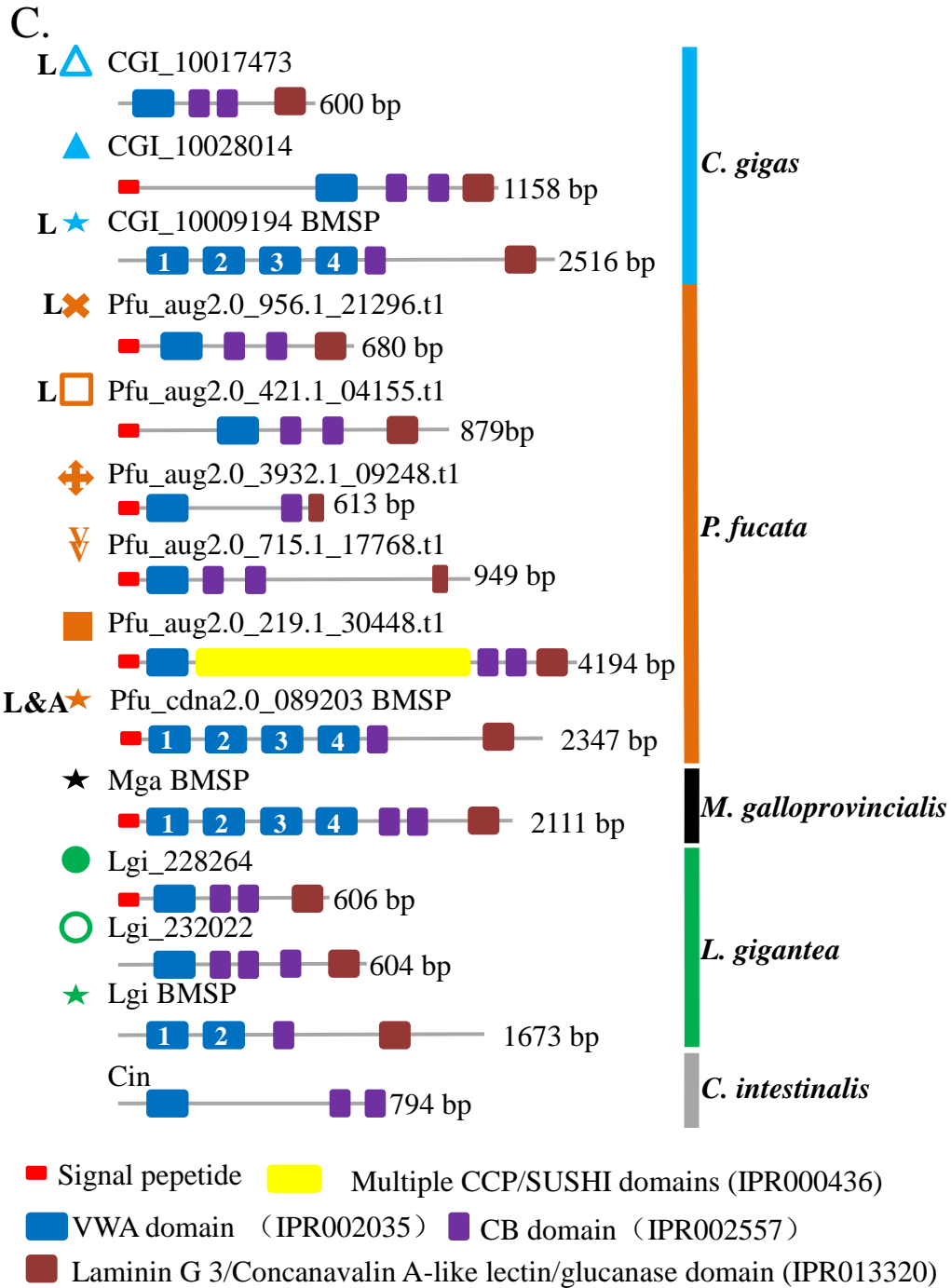


Fig. 3.2. Phylogenetic analyses of VWA domains of VWA-CB dcps of molluscan shells through LG model on 127 amino acid residues. A, Polychotomes are generated if the bootstrap value of a node is lower than 50. Nodes A-F were indicated. B, All dichotomes are preserved. Bootstrap values are shown if over 50, and marked with black dots if over 80. Nodes A-G were indicated. C, Schematics of domain structure of VWA-CB dcps. In the tree region, same proteins were marked by same marks. BMSPs were marked by stars and grep squares. A SMP was marked by 'L' if it is a larval SMP. Pfu\_cdna2.0\_089203 was identified from both larval and adult shells of *P. fucata*. CGI, *Crassostrea gigas*; Pfu, *Pinctada fucata*; Mga, *Mytilus galloprovincialis*; Lgi, *Lottia gigantea*; Cin, *Ciona intestinalis*.

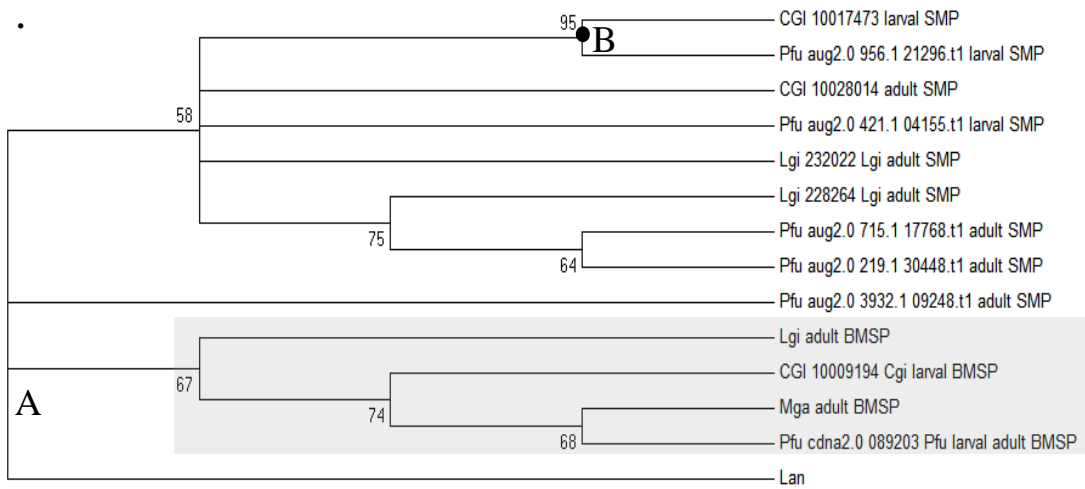
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Notably, unlike the other larval VWA-CB containing SMP of *P. fucata*, Pfu\_aug2.0\_956.1\_21296.t1, which forms a clade with the larval SMP of *C. gigas* CGI\_10017473 (Figs. 3.1 A and B, node H; Figs. 3.7 A and B, node F; Figs. 3.2 A and B, node F; Figs. 3.8 A and B, node C), the larval SMP, Pfu\_aug2.0\_421.1\_04155.t1 forms a clade with an adult SMP of *C. gigas*, CGI\_10028014 (Figs. 3.2 A and B, node D; Figs. 3.8 A and B, node D), suggesting that it derived from an ancestrally adult SMP or the ancestrally larval common ancestor gave rise to an adult SMP. An interesting observation concerning this is that, in contrast to other VWA-CB domain containing SMPs of *P. fucata*, it exhibits an expression pattern with double peaks, being highly expressed in both the larval and adult stages in the pearl oyster (Fig 3.8 C), suggesting that it retains a transitional phase in its history that an original adult shell protein was recruited by the larval SMP repertoire later for the formation of the larval shell, or vice versa. The genetic mechanism behind this hypothesis might be explained in terms of heterochronic gene expression.

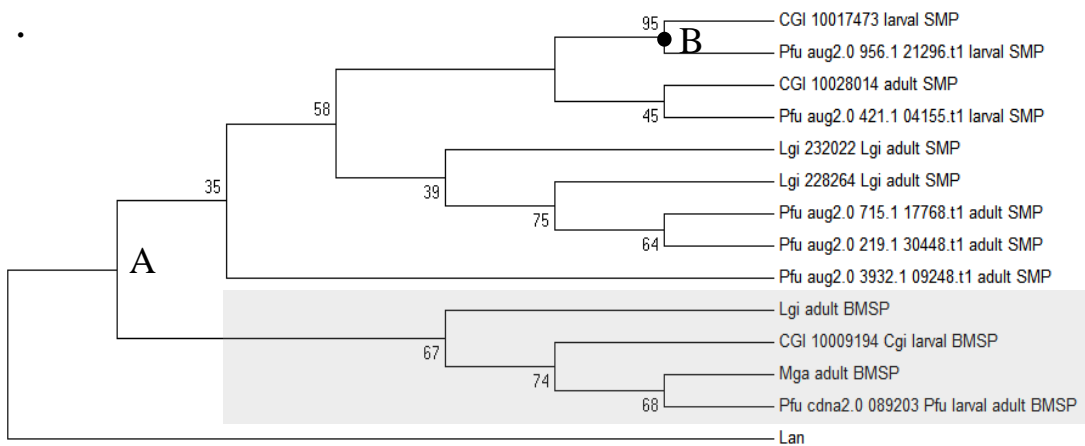
Laminin G domains have been reported from the downstream region of the chitin-binding domain in Pif/BMSP-like proteins (Suzuki, et al. 2013). In this study, a combined domain search using SMART and BLAST revealed conserved Laminin G-like region from the VWA-CB dcps (Figs. 3.1 C and 3.2 C), though only the N-terminal or the C-terminal sequence of the domain were identified from the complete sequences of the two adult SMPs of *P. fucata*, Pfu\_aug2.0\_715.1\_17768.t1 and Pfu\_aug2.0\_3932.1\_09248.t1 (Fig. 3.19 A). Phylogenetic analyses performed on the Laminin G domain (Figs. 3.3 A and B and 3.10 A and B) and concatenated sequences of the CB domain and Laminin G domain regions (Figs. 3.3 C and D and 3.10 C and D), because the CB1 and single CB domain of VWA-CB dcps are inferred to be orthologues (Figs. 3.1 A and B, 3.7 A and B). Again, the topology suggested the recruitment of the VWA-CB dcp to the larval shell of the common ancestor of *C. gigas* and *P. fucata* before the divergence of the two species (Figs. 3.3 A, B, C and D, node B; 3.10 A, B, C, D, E and F, node B), and the duplication of the VWA domain occurred in the common ancestor of the bivalves and the gastropods gave rise to

BMSPs in the shell, which can be revealed by the monophyletic group of BMSPs (Figs. 3.3 A, B, C and D; 3.10 A, B, C, D, E and F). The phylogram of Laminin G domain suggested that more amino acid substitutions occurred to this region of Pfu\_aug2.0\_3932.1\_09248.t1 compared with other VWA-CB dcps analyzed in this study (Figs. 3.10 E and F), a fact which can also be seen from the alignment (Fig. 3.19 A).

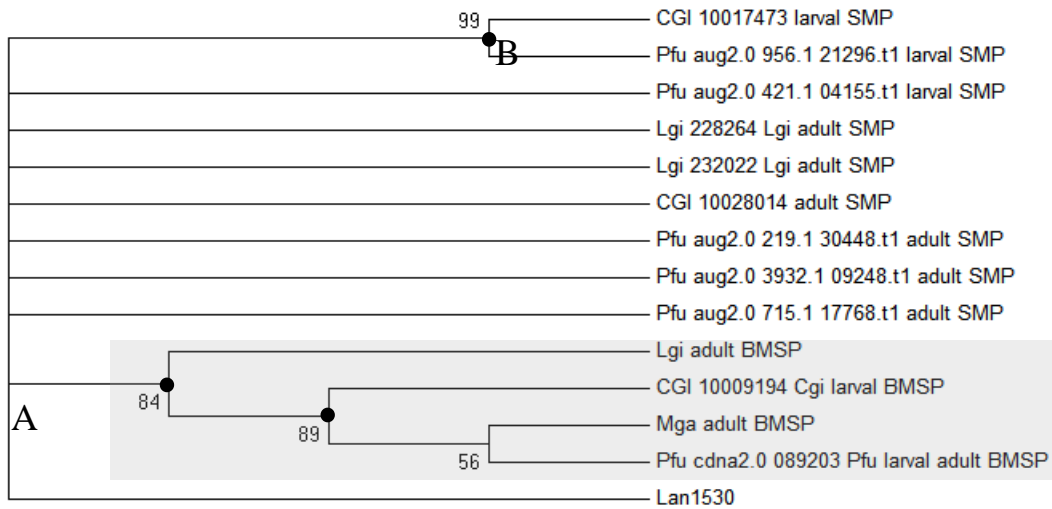
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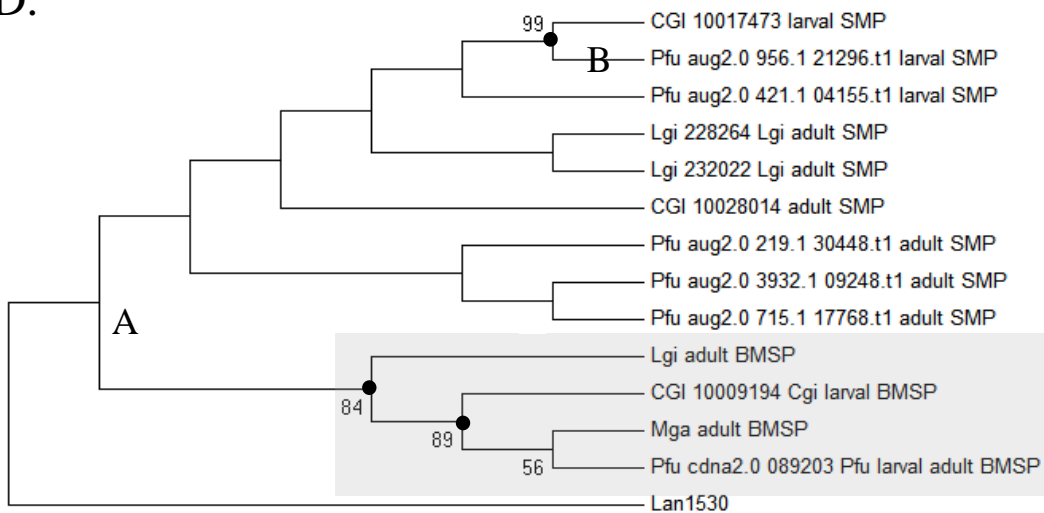


Fig. 3.3. Phylogenetic analyses of Laminin G domains on 57 aa and the concatenated sequence of a CB domain and the Laminin G domain on 86 aa of VWA-CB dcps of molluscan shells through LG model, respectively. A, Phylogenetic tree performed on Laminin G domains. Polychotomes are generated if the bootstrap value of a node is lower than 50. B, Phylogenetic tree performed on Laminin G domains. All dichotomes are preserved. C, Phylogenetic tree performed on the concatenated sequence of a CB domain and the Laminin G domain. Polychotomes are generated if the bootstrap value of a node is lower than 50. D, Phylogenetic tree performed on the concatenated sequence of a CB domain and the Laminin G domain. All dichotomes are preserved. Bootstrap values are shown if over 50, and marked with black dots if over 80. CGI, *Crassostrea gigas*; Pfu, *Pinctada fucata*; Mga, *Mytilus galloprovincialis*; Lgi, *Lottia gigantea*; Lan, *Lingula anatina*. The group formed by BMSPs are

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Taken together, the phylogenetic analyses of the chitin-binding domain, VWA domain and Laminin G domain performed on the VWA-CB dcps identified in the shell of the bivalves and the gastropods all suggested that VWA-CB dcps were possessed by the common ancestor of *C. gigas* and *P. fucata* and that the BMSPs originated from a single-VWA-domain containing VWA-CB domain containing SMP by the duplications of the VWA domains and existed in the shell of the common ancestor of the bivalves and the gastropods.

### **3.3.2 Relatively recent recruitment of CAs to the shells of bivalves**

The conversion of carbon dioxide into bicarbonate was thought to be an ancestral function in carbonate biomineralization (Marin, et al. 2007). CAs were reported from a number of the adult shells of bivalves and gastropods (Mann, et al. 2012; Marie, et al. 2013; Marie, et al. 2011a; Zhang, et al. 2012; Zhao, et al. 2018), as well as the larval shells of bivalves (Zhao, et al. 2018). CA domains are highly expanded in molluscs including bivalves, gastropods and cephalopods compared to most other metazoan phyla (Zhao, et al. 2018). Taken together, it is tempting to conclude that CAs contained in the shells of extant molluscan species are inherited from the molluscan common ancestor in early Cambrian before the divergence of main classes (Lecointre and Le Guyader 2001; Sun, et al. 2017). However, surprisingly, CAs extracted from the shells of *C. gigas*, *P. fucata* and *L. gigantea* formed three separated clusters, each of which comprises of proteins of one species only (Figs. 3.4 A and B; 3.11 A and B; 3.12 A, B, C and D), which indicated the recruitment of CAs as SMPs occurred independently to each molluscan species. In bivalves, the recruitment is inferred to have occurred even after the divergence of *C. gigas* and *P. fucata* (Figs. 3.4 A and B; 3.11 A and B; 3.12 A, B, C and D), a divergence which is estimated to have occurred most probably in Triassic, or in Silurian at the earliest, depending on the phylogenetic interpretations of fossil taxa, based on the fossil record (Tracey, et al. 1993), or in the period from Carboniferous to Triassic, based on the molecular clock (Sun, et al. 2017). In either scenario, the functional diversifications of CA-SMPs in the larval and adult shells in those two bivalve species were rather recent events than

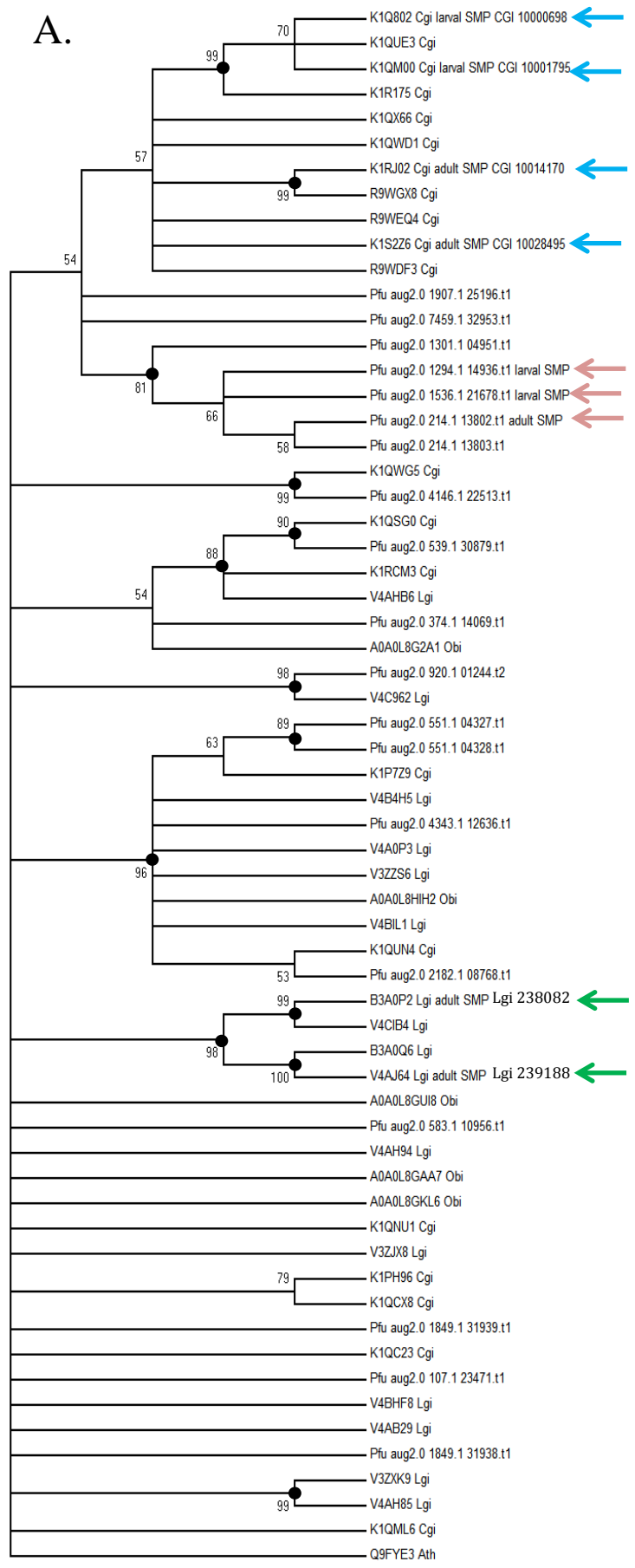
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expected. Although the CA SMPs and the secreted CA of human form a cluster (Figs. 3.12 A and B), this relationship is not supported by a high bootstrap value and the topology was not repeated in the tree generated by the Poisson model (Figs. 3.12 C and D). Therefore, it is not certain to say if the CA of molluscan shells exhibit more similarities to any sort of the human CAs than to the other. Meanwhile, phylogenetic analyses performed on molluscan CAs indicate the larval or the adult shell CA can be derived from the duplication of each other.

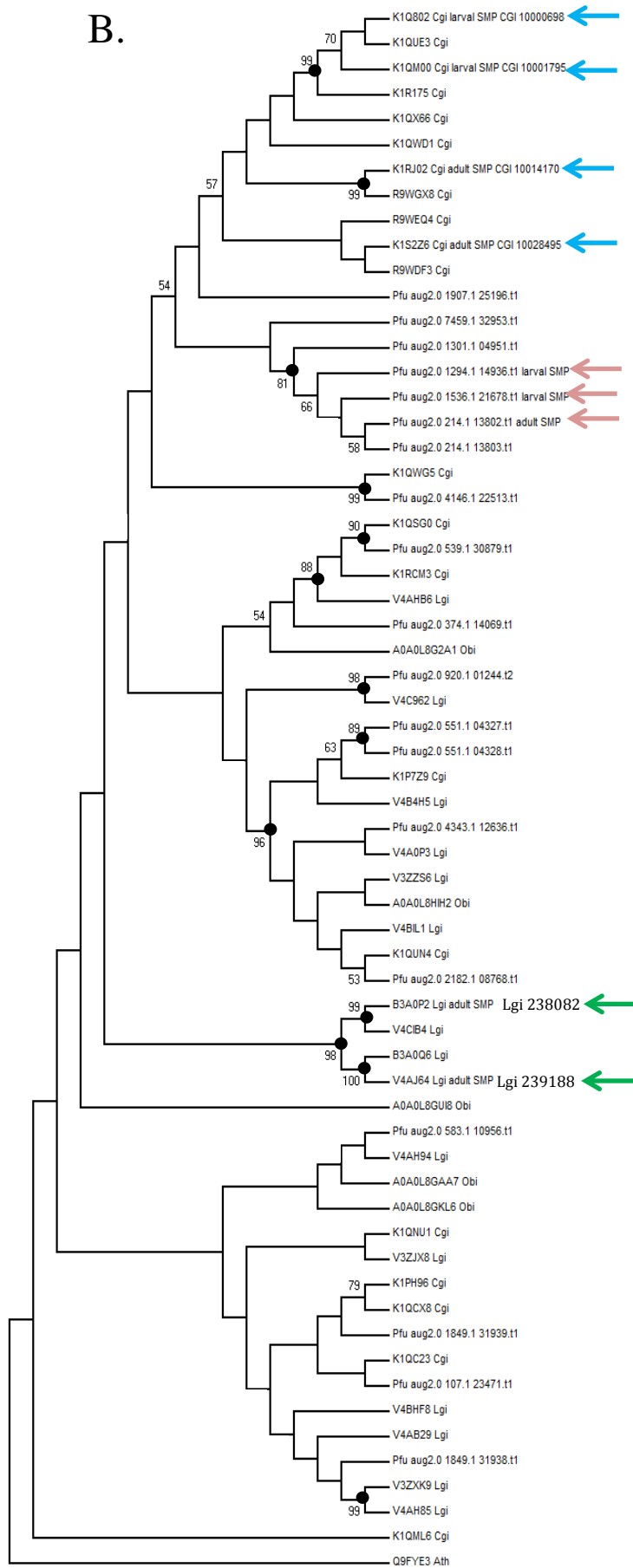
In this study, independent recruitments of CAs to the shell of *C. gigas* and *P. fucata* after speciation were discovered. In the meantime, the topology of phylogenetic analyses agreed with two previous opinions (Zhao, et al. 2018): 1, the lineage-specific expansion of the CAs between bivalves and gastropods is supported by the clusters consisting entirely of CAs of bivalves or those of gastropods. 2 multiple homologs of CAs in the larval or adult molluscan shells were produced by independent duplications of CAs within each species (Figs. 3.4 A and B; 3.11 A and B; 3.12 A, B, C and D).

As a characteristics of Nacrein and N66 proteins of *Pinctada* species (Smith - Keune and Jerry 2009), the NG-repeat region was demonstrated to have an inhibitory function *in vitro* in the rate of CaCO<sub>3</sub> precipitation (Miyamoto, et al. 2005). An important role of the NG-repeat domain for the inter-molecular interactions in the biomineralization processes (Kono, et al. 2000; Miyamoto, et al. 1996; Miyamoto, et al. 2005; Norizuki and Samata 2008; Smith - Keune and Jerry 2009) and its calcium-binding ability have also been suggested, although the latter role is still under debate (Miyamoto, et al. 1996; Norizuki and Samata 2008). However, no NG-repeat domain was identified from the larval Nacrein protein of *P. fucata* nor from both the larval and adult Nacreins of *C. gigas* (Fig. 3.13). The absence of this domain suggests a possibility of functional divergence of Nacrein proteins between larval and adult SMPs in *P. fucata* and between *C. gigas* and *P. fucata*.





B.



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Fig. 3.4. Phylogenetic trees of CA domains in molluscs via LG model. A, Polychotomes are generated if the bootstrap value of a node is lower than 50. B, All dichotomes are preserved. Trees were generated on 82 amino acid residues. SMPs were indicated by blue (*C. gigas*), Pink (*P. fucata*) and green (*L. gigantea*) arrowheads. Bootstrap values are shown if over 50, and marked with black dots if over 80. CGI, *Crassostrea gigas*; Pfu, *Pinctada fucata*; Lgi, *Lottia gigantea*; Obi, *Octopus bimaculoides*. Ath, *Arabidopsis thaliana*.

### 3.3.3 Chitobiasis were possessed by larval and adult shells of the last common ancestor of *C. gigas* and *P. fucata*

Chitin and fibroin-like proteins are considered to be integral to the shell matrix to provide the framework for the nucleation and growth of crystals (Furuhashi, et al. 2009; Weiner and Traub 1984). The family 18 chitinase and the family 20 chitobiase are chitinolytic enzymes. The former are essential enzymes for chitin degradation and the latter hydrolyzes *N,N'*-diacetylchitobiose [(GlcNAc)<sub>2</sub>] produced by the former to GlcNAc (Suzuki, et al. 2007). Chitinases and chitobiasis have been reported from organic matrices of adult molluscan shells (Gotliv, et al. 2005; Kintsu, et al. 2017; Mann, et al. 2012; Zhang, et al. 2012; Zhao, et al. 2018). On the other hand, a family 20 chitobiase, Pfu\_aug2.0\_6.1\_20027.t1, was identified as the only chitinolytic enzyme in the larval shell for the first time (Fig. 3.5 A, Table 3.4) (Zhao, et al. 2018). A BLASTP search of the *P. fucata* larval chitobiase against the gene models of the whole genome of *C. gigas* revealed that the protein predicted from CGI\_10007856 is highly similar (Identity: 70%; E-value: 0) to the larval shell-chitobiase of *P. fucata* (Zhao, et al. 2018) (Fig. 3.5 A), a fact which suggested that this gene is a potential SMP escaped from the detection by the proteomic analysis. Transcriptomic data showed that the expression of CGI\_10007856 reaches the peak at the trochophore stage, when the larval shell starts to form, while compared with that of the larval shell-chitobiase of *P. fucata*, a suddenly reduction with the appearance of D-shape larva was observed (Fig. 3.5 B), a fact which might explain why it was undetectable in the larval shell proteome. These evidences suggested that the chitobiase SMP exists in the larval shells of the oyster, and that it might be another common SMP shared by both larval and adult shells of *C. gigas* and *P. fucata*.

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CGI\_10007856 potential larval SMP



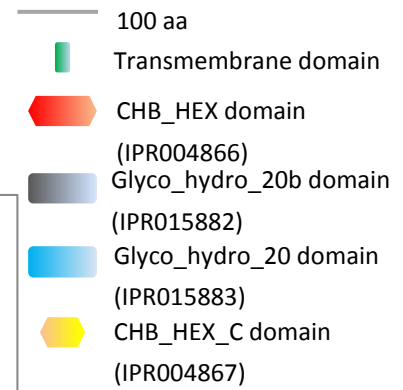
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B.

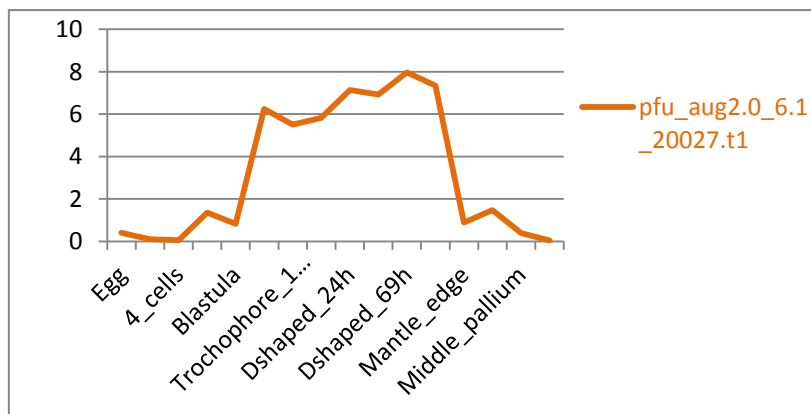
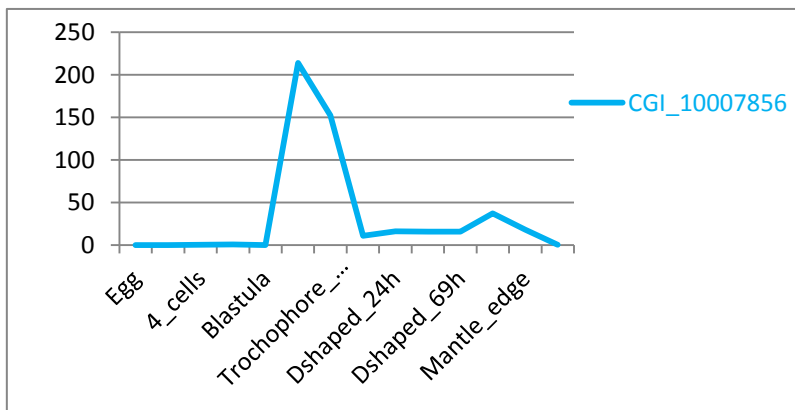


Fig. 3.5. Chitobiases identified in the shell of *C. gigas* and *P. fucata*. A, domain structures of chitobiases. B, Transcript expression patterns during development of the larval chitobiase of *C. gigas* (blue) and *P. fucata* (orange).

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Molecular phylogenetic analyses indicated that the hypothetical larval SMP, CGI\_10007856 indeed clustered within the group comprised of the other three shell-chitobiases, suggesting that it is likely an SMP of the oyster larva (Figs. 3.6 A and B; Figs. 3.14 A and B; Figs. 3.15 A, B, C and D). The group comprised of larval chitobiases of *C. gigas* and *P. fucata* as well as the group comprised of adult chitobiases of *C. gigas* and *P. fucata*, agreed by the topologies of all four trees, explicitly suggests a duplication (Dp) event occurred to the chitobiase in the larval or in the adult shell of the last common ancestor of two species before the speciation (Figs. 3.6 A and B; Figs. 3.14 A and B; Figs. 3.15 A, B, C and D). Thus, recruitments of chitobiases to the larval and adult shells of the last common ancestor of *C. gigas* and *P. fucata* were suggested.

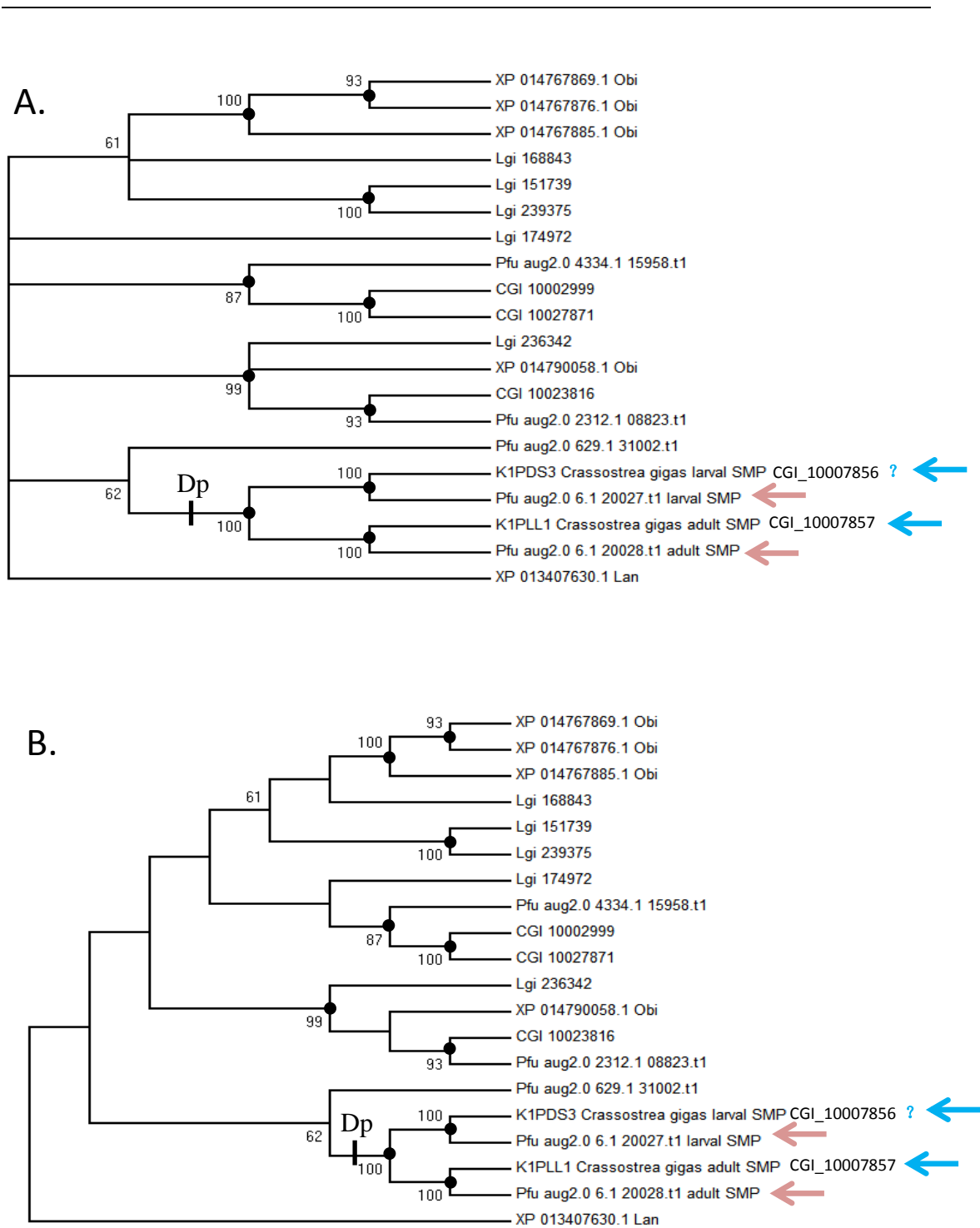


Fig. 3.6. Phylogenetic trees of chitinases in molluscs via LG model on concatenated sequence of CHB\_HEX domain (IPR004866), Glyco\_hydro\_20b domain (IPR015882), Glyco\_hydro\_20 domain (IPR015883) and CHB\_HEX\_C domain (IPR004867). A, Polychotomies are generated if the bootstrap value of a node is lower than 50. B, All dichotomies are preserved. Trees were generated on 523 amino acid residues. SMPs were indicated by blue (*C. gigas*) and Pink (*P. fucata*) arrowheads. Question mark indicates if the gene is a SMP is questionable. Bootstrap values are shown if over 50, and marked with black dots if over 80. CGI, *Crassostrea gigas*; Pfu, *Pinctada fucata*; Lgi, *Lottia gigantea*; Obi, *Octopus bimaculoides*. Lan, *Lingular anatina*.

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### 3.4 Conclusions

Despite the complexity of the domain structures of VWA-CB dcps in molluscan shells exhibited by different species or even within single species, phylogenetic analyses performed separately on VWA, CB and Laminin G domains revealed that, regardless of the diversity in the number of VWA or CB domains, all VWA-CB dcps, including the multiple VWA domain-containing BMSPs, are inferred to have originated from a protein containing one VWA and two CB domains in the common ancestor of bivalves and gastropods. Possession of both the VWA-CB dcp with one VWA domain and the BMSP with multiple VWA domains by the common ancestor of bivalves and gastropods has been suggested. Phylogenetic analyses in this study also suggested that those VWA-CB dcps and BMSP as well as chitinase were already contained in the larval and the adult shells of the common ancestor of bivalves before the speciation between *C. gigas* and *P. fucata*. On the other hand, in one of the most common SMPs which expanded widely among molluscs, the carbonic anhydrase SMPs, the gene duplications which gave rise to a separate deployment of larval and adult SMPs are inferred to have taken place after the divergence of those two bivalve species, which is a rather recent event than has hitherto been expected.

We discovered the dual proteomes of larval and the adult shells in *C. gigas* and in *P. fucata*, both exhibiting rather limited components common to both larval and adult SMPs (Zhao, et al. 2018). The fast evolution of the larval shell proteins makes the larval shell more than just a primitive state of molluscan common ancestor, yet it is evenhanded if we consider the larval stages also face the rigors of life (Garstang 1922) and new traits are allowed to appear at any developmental stage. Here we deeply scrutinized the evolutionary histories of several SMPs which might be important for the formation of both larval and adult shells, and inferred the time point when they were recruited by the molluscan shells using the proteomic and genomic data. However, origins and evolutionary scenarios might be more complicated than have been shown in this study. The potential “transitional phase” of heterochronic evolution manifested by the gene expression patterns of the transcript for the larval

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SMP Pfu\_aug2.0\_421.1\_04155.t1 points to a possibility that characterizations of the developmental gene networks controlling the formation of larval and adult shells may help to solve this question of antiquity of the larval shells in future. Systematic sampling of both larval and adult SMPs from more molluscan species and even across taxa should be considered in the future.



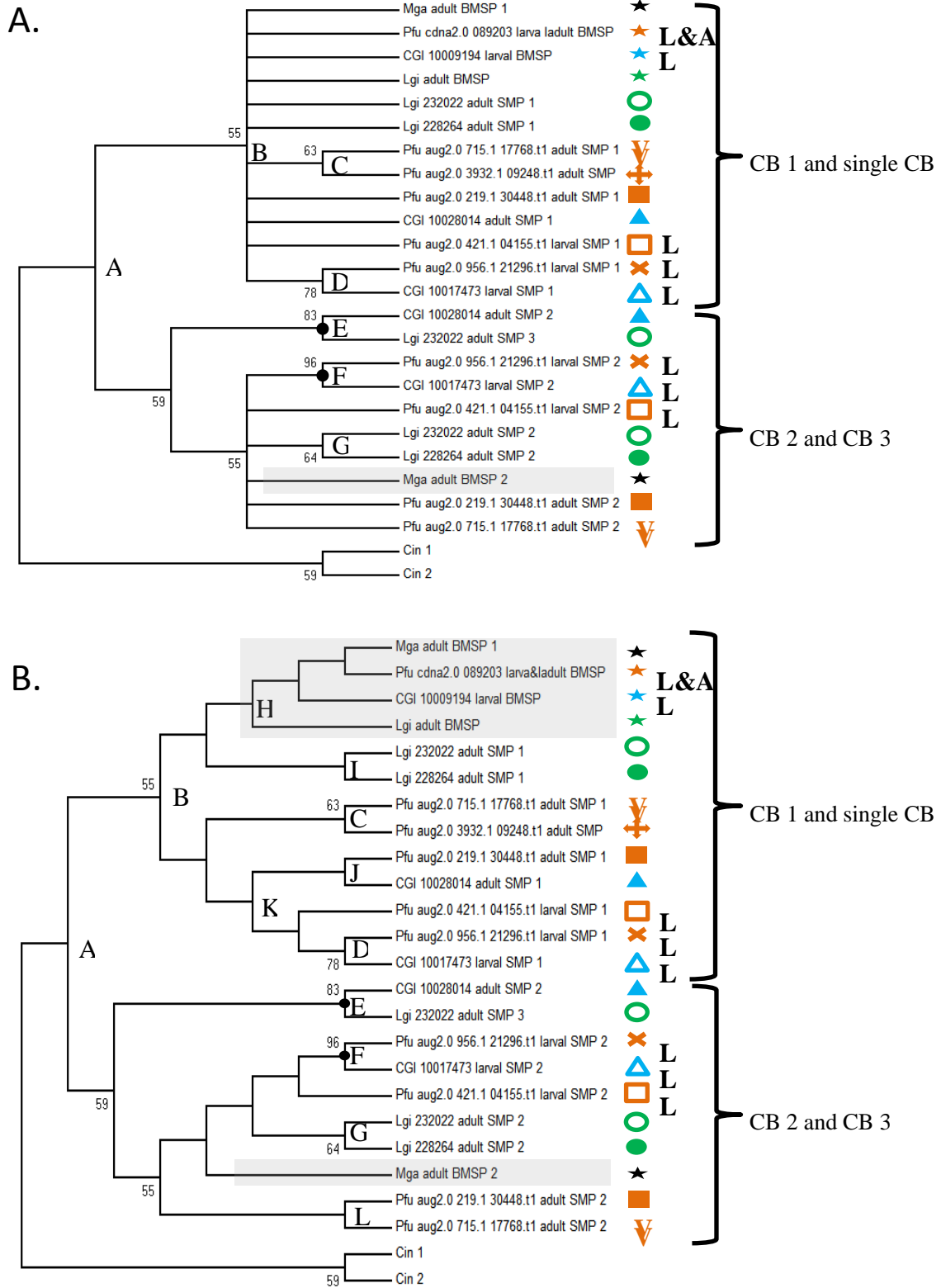
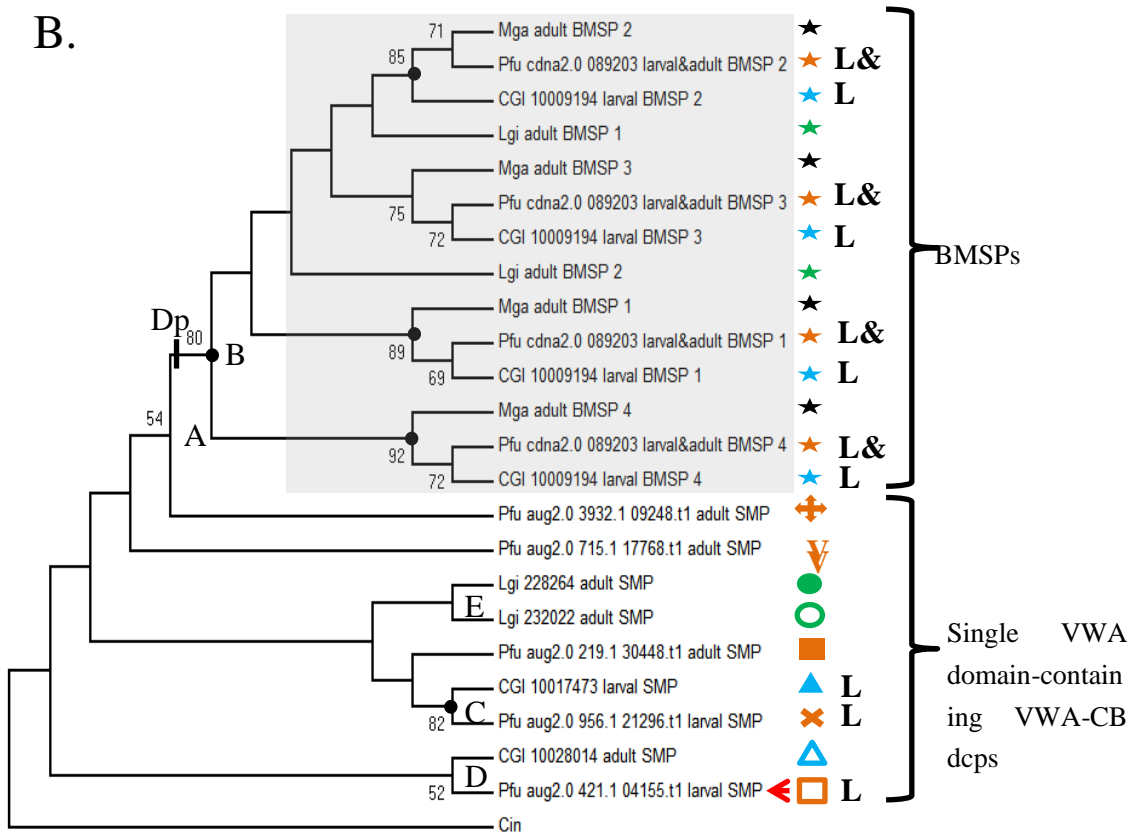
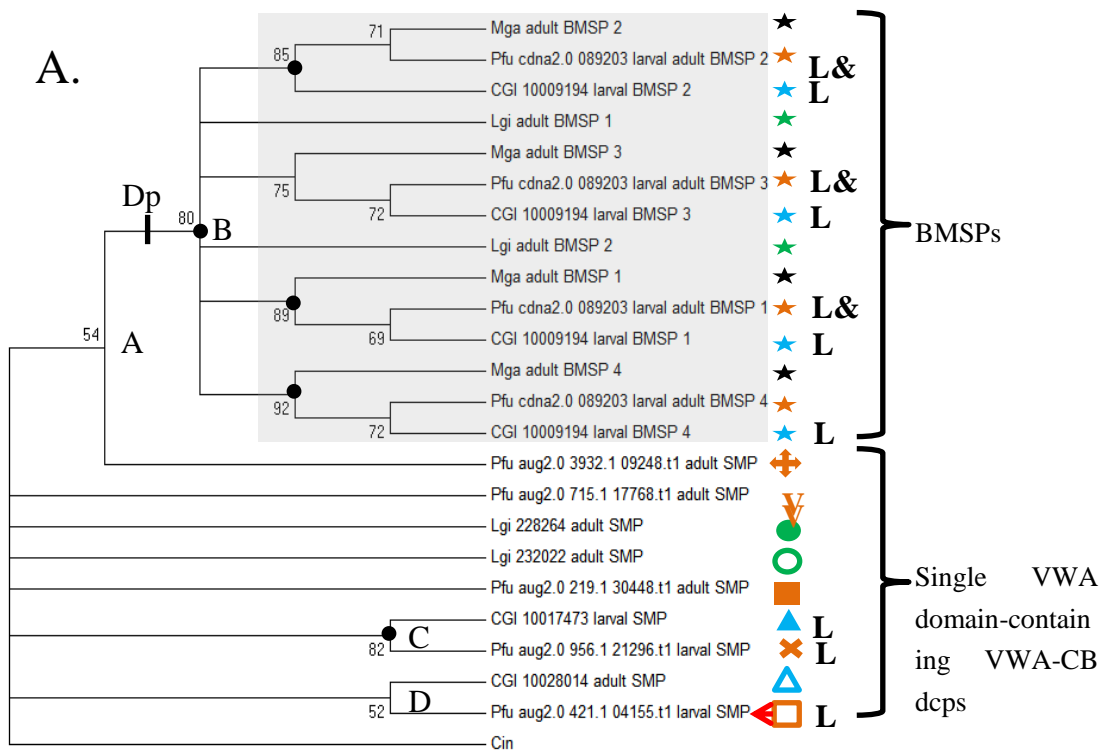


Fig. 3.7. Phylogenetic analyses of CB domains of VWA-CB depts of molluscan shells through Poisson model on 37 amino acid residues. A, Polychotomes are generated if the bootstrap value of a node is lower than 50. Nodes A-G were indicated. B, All dichotomes are preserved. Bootstrap values are shown if over 50, and marked with black dots if over 80. Nodes A-L were indicated. In the tree region, same proteins were marked by same marks. BMSPs were marked by stars and grey squares. A SMP was marked by 'L' if it is a larval SMP. Pfu\_cdna2.0\_089203 was identified from both larval and adult shells of *P. fucata*. CGI, *Crassostrea gigas*; Pfu, *Pinctada fucata*; Mga, *Mytilus galloprovincialis*; Lgi, *Lottia gigantea*; Cin, *Ciona intestinalis*.



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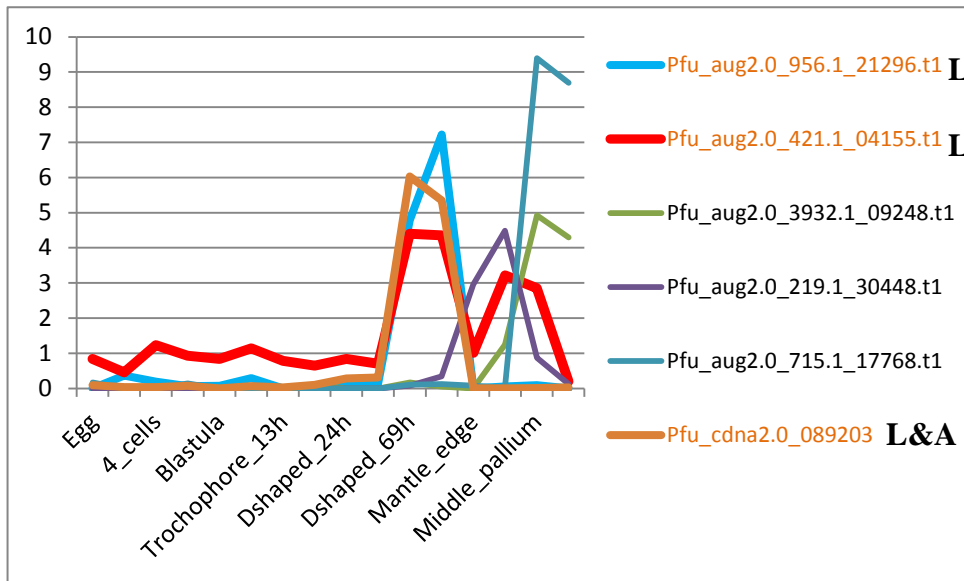
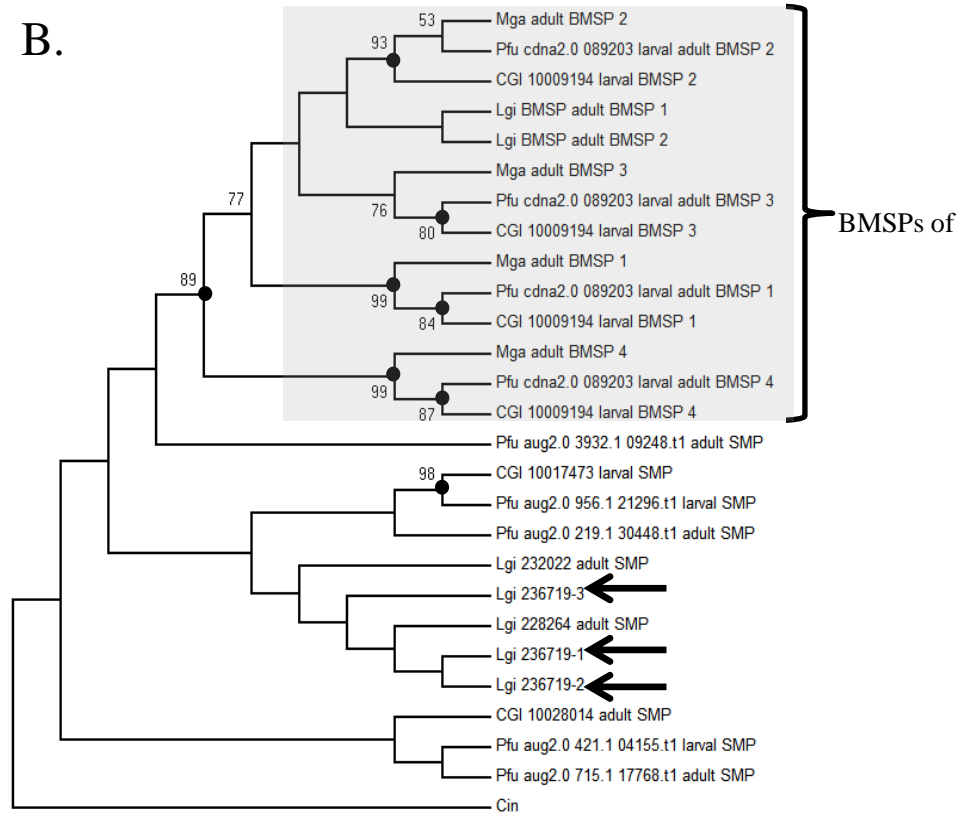
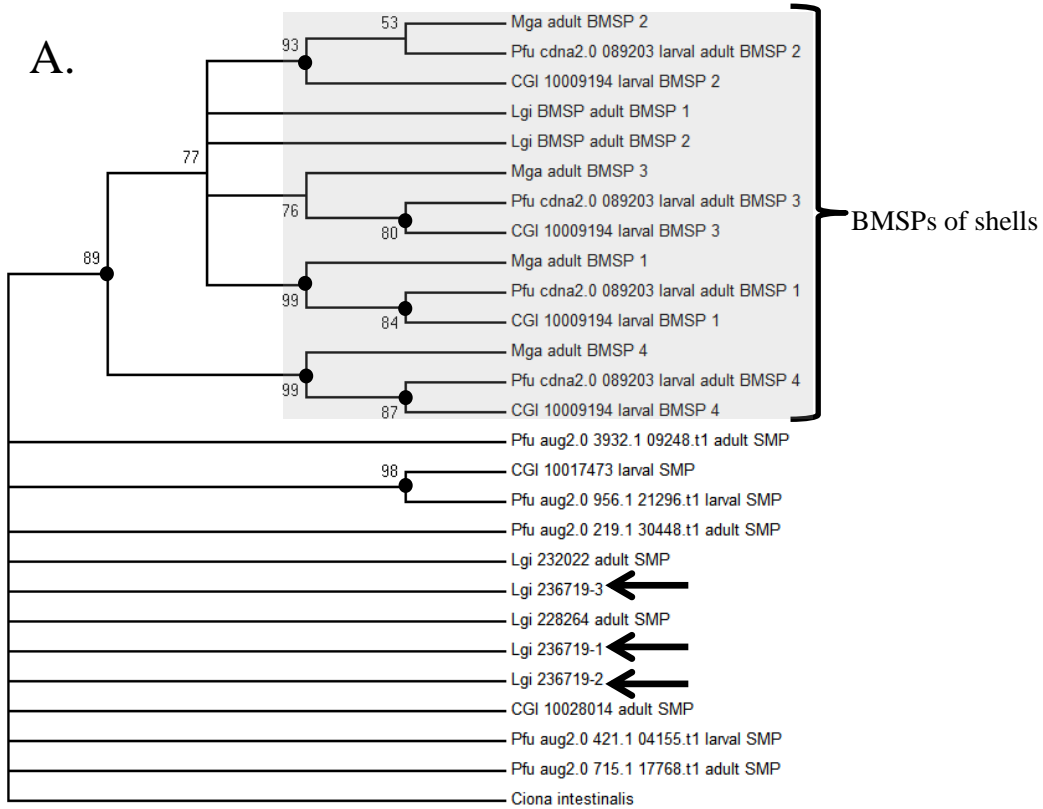


Fig. 3.8. Phylogenetic analyses of VWA domains of VWA-CB dcps of molluscan shells through Poisson model on 127 amino acid residues. A, Polychotomes are generated if the bootstrap value of a node is lower than 50. Nodes A-D were indicated. B, All dichotomes are preserved. Bootstrap values are shown if over 50, and marked with black dots if over 80. Nodes A-E were indicated. B, expression patterns of transcripts of VWA-CB dcps of *P. fucata*. Larval SMPs were indicated by bold line and orange characters. In the tree region, same proteins were marked by same marks. BMSPs were marked by stars and grey squares. A SMP was marked by 'L' if it is a larval SMP. Pfu\_cdna2.0\_089203 was identified from both larval and adult shells of *P. fucata*. CGI, *Crassostrea gigas*; Pfu, *Pinctada fucata*; Mga, *Mytilus galloprovincialis*; Lgi, *Lottia gigantea*; Cin, *Ciona intestinalis*.



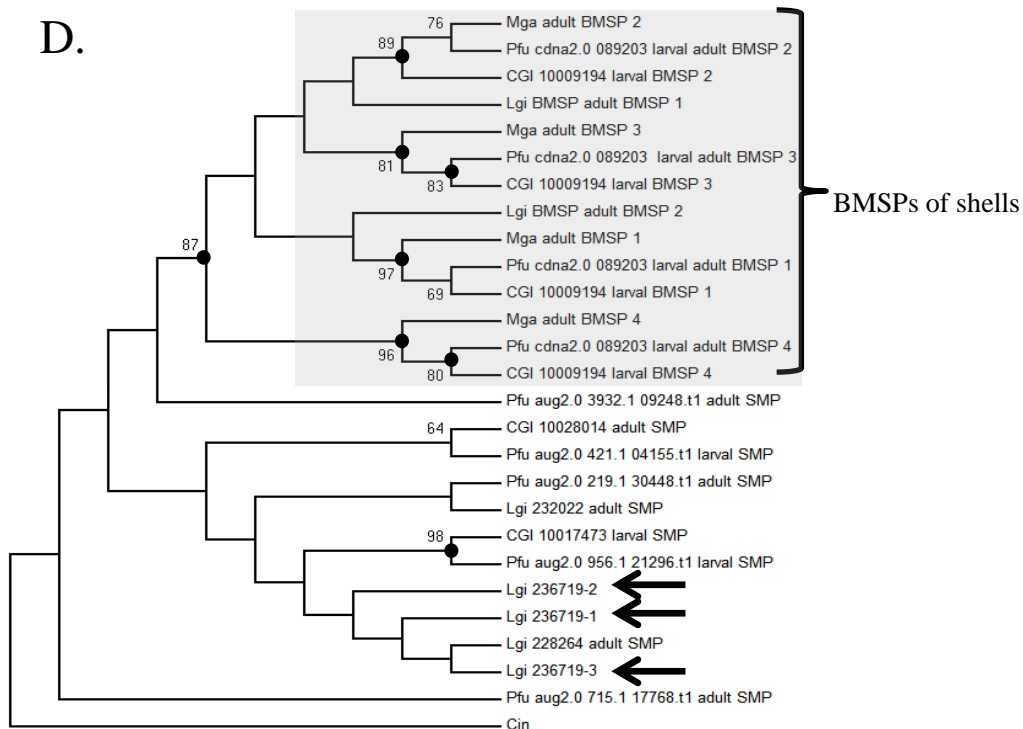
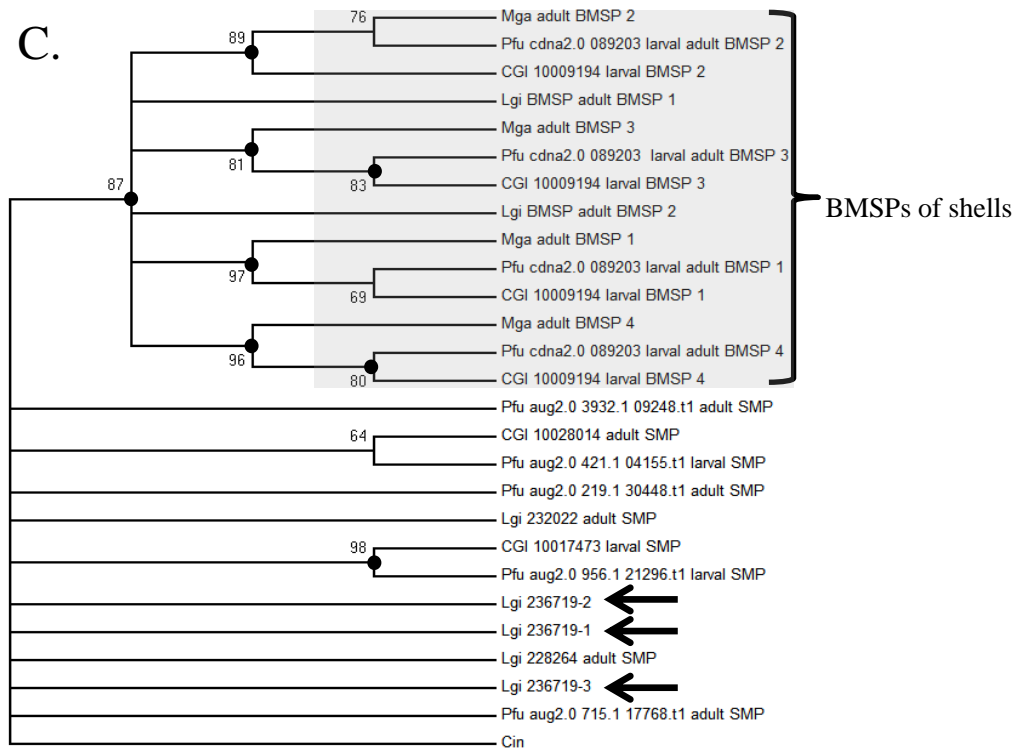
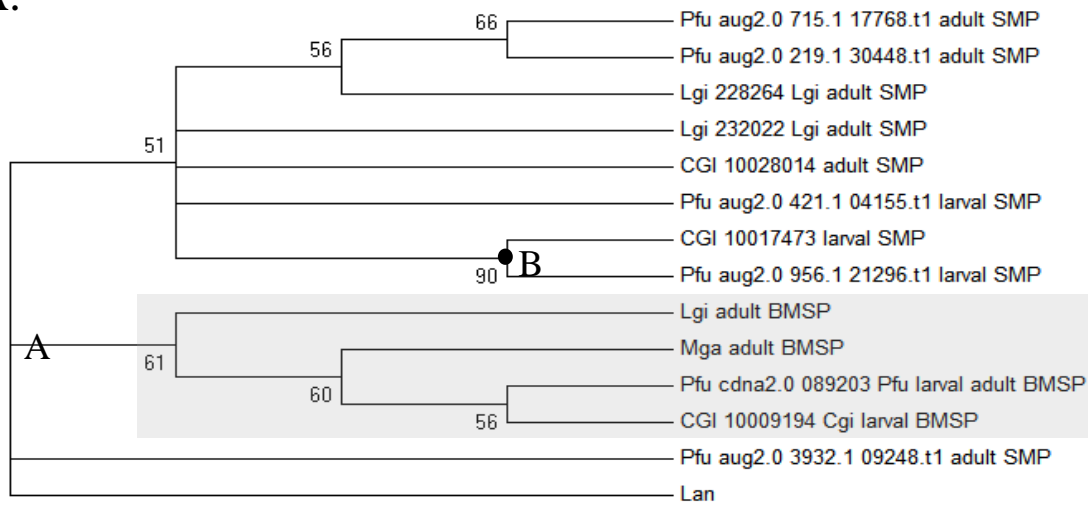
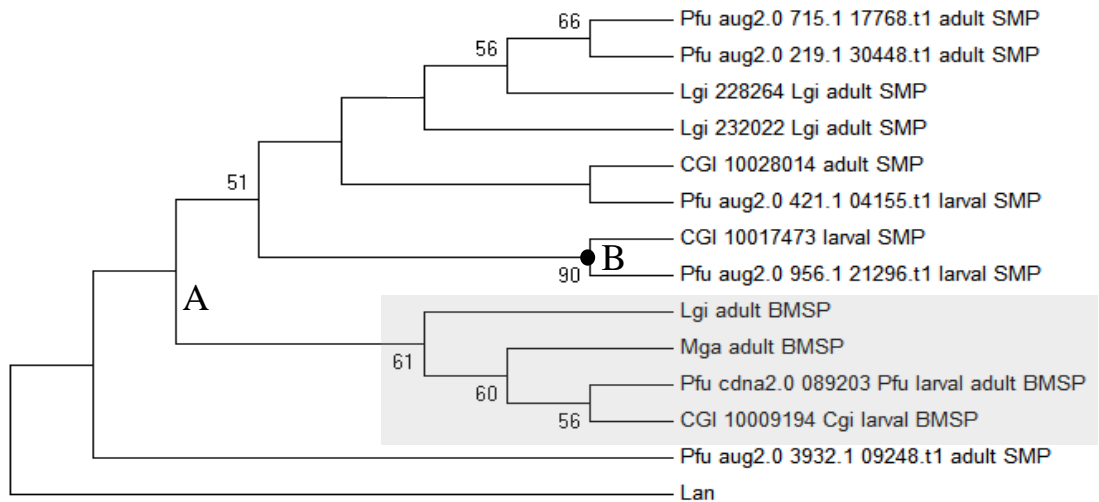


Fig. 3.9. Phylogenetic analyses of VWA domains of VWA-CB deps of molluscan shells and LG236719 on 138 amino acid residues via LG (A, B) and Poisson (C, D). A, Polychotomes are generated if the bootstrap value of a node is lower than 50. All dichotomes are preserved. C, Polychotomes are generated if the bootstrap value of a node is lower than 50. D, All dichotomes are preserved. Bootstrap values are shown if over 50, and marked with black dots if over 80. VWA domains of LG236719 were indicated by arrowheads. The group formed by BMSPs are indicated by grey squares. CGI, *Crassostrea gigas*; Pfu, *Pinctada fucata*; Mga, *Mytilus galloprovincialis*; Lgi, *Lottia gigantea*; Cin, *Ciona intestinalis*.

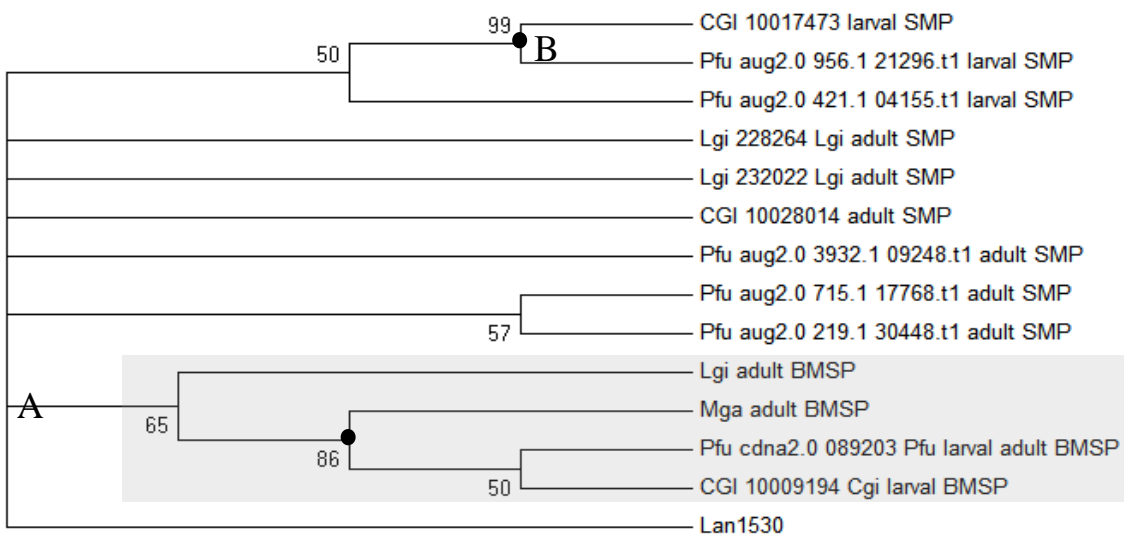
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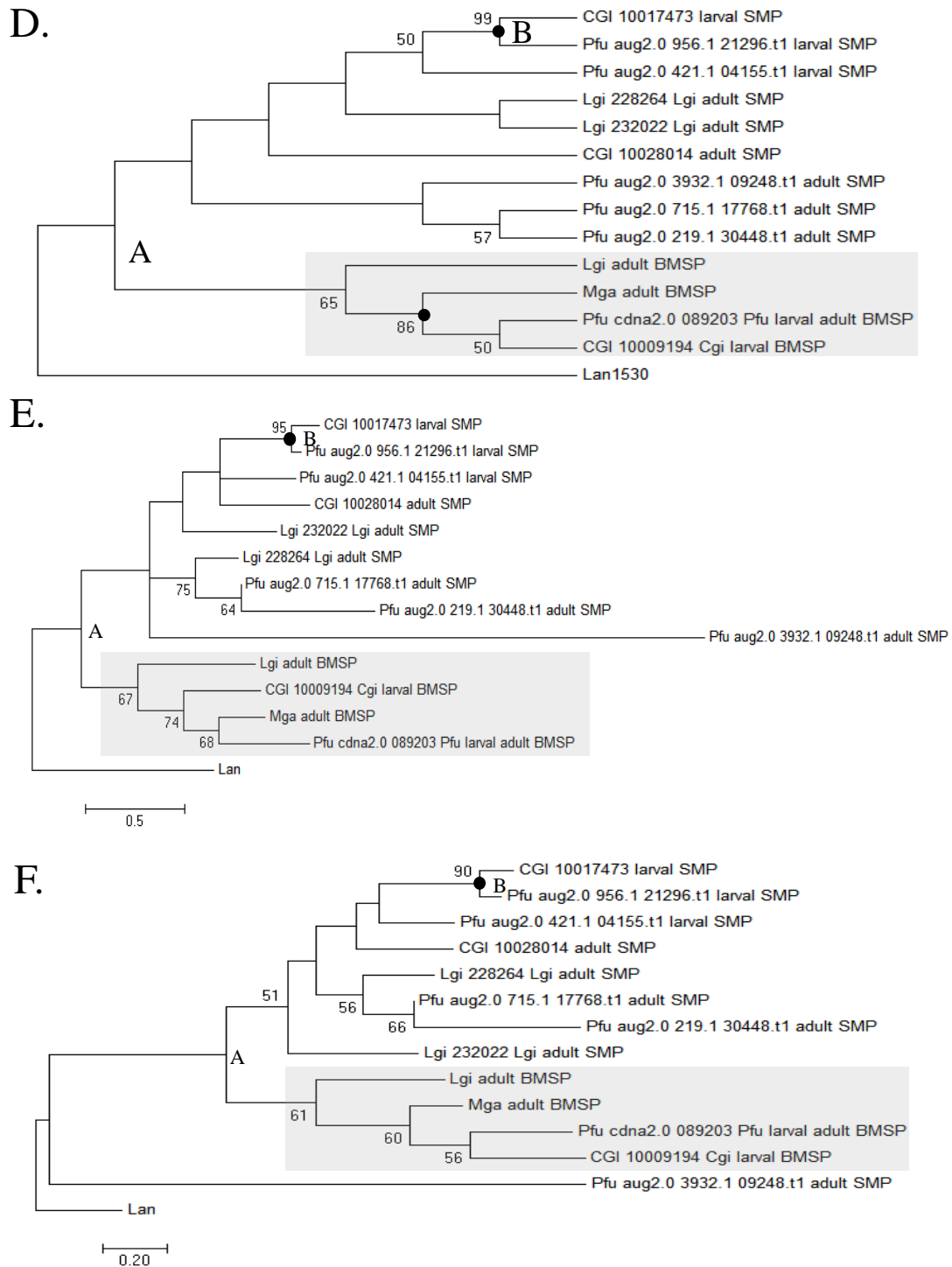
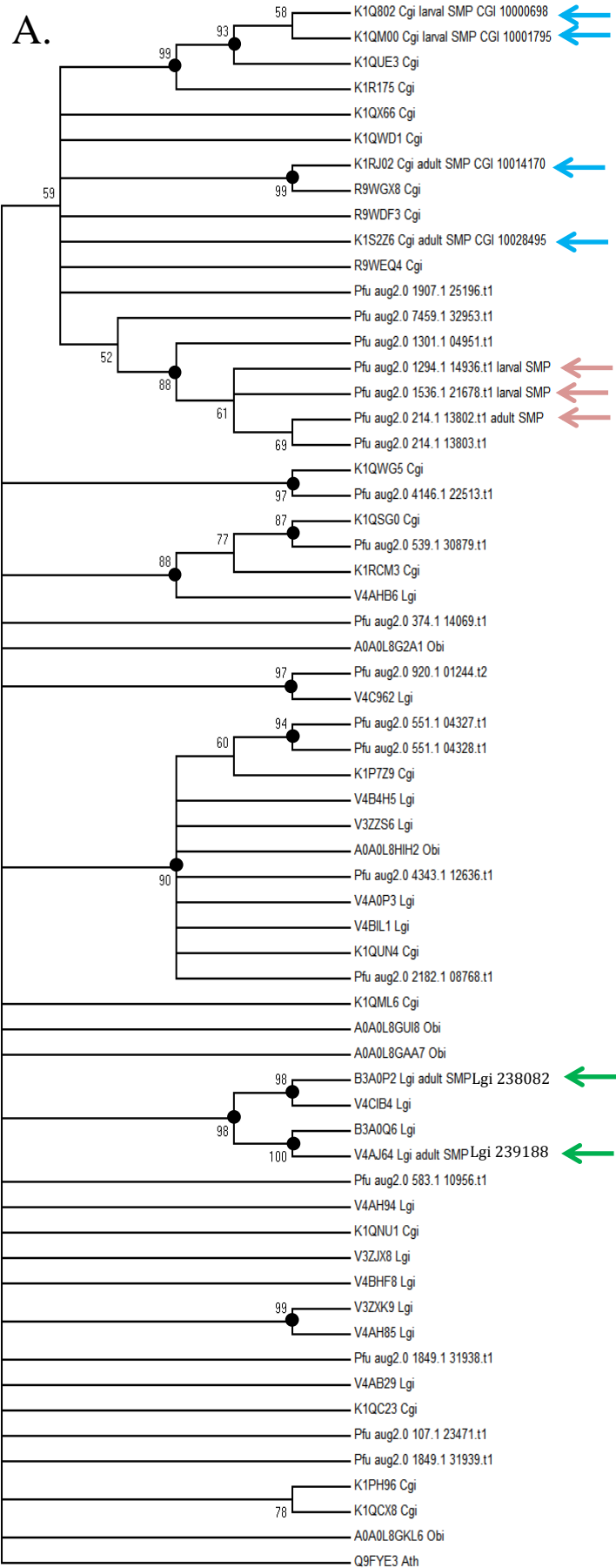


Fig. 3.10. Phylogenetic analyses of Laminin G domains on 57 aa and the concatenated sequence of a CB domain and the Laminin G domain on 86 aa of VWA-CB dcps of molluscan shells through Poisson model, respectively. A, Phylogenetic tree performed on Laminin G domains. Polychotomes are generated if the bootstrap value of a node is lower than 50. B, Phylogenetic tree performed on Laminin G domains. All dichotomes are preserved. C, Phylogenetic tree performed on the concatenated sequence of a CB domain and the Laminin G domain. Polychotomes are generated if the bootstrap value of a node is lower than 50. D, Phylogenetic tree performed on the concatenated sequence of a CB domain and the Laminin G domain. E Phylogram of Laminin G domain based on 57 amino acid residues via LG model. F Phylogram of Laminin G domain based on 57 amino acid residues via Poisson model. All dichotomes are preserved. Bootstrap values are shown if over 50, and marked with black dots if over 80. CGI, *Crassostrea gigas*; Pfu, *Pinctada fucata*; Mga, *Mytilus galloprovincialis*; Lgi, *Lottia gigantea*; Lan, *Lingula anatina*. The group formed by BMSPs are indicated by grey squares. Nodes A-B were indicated.





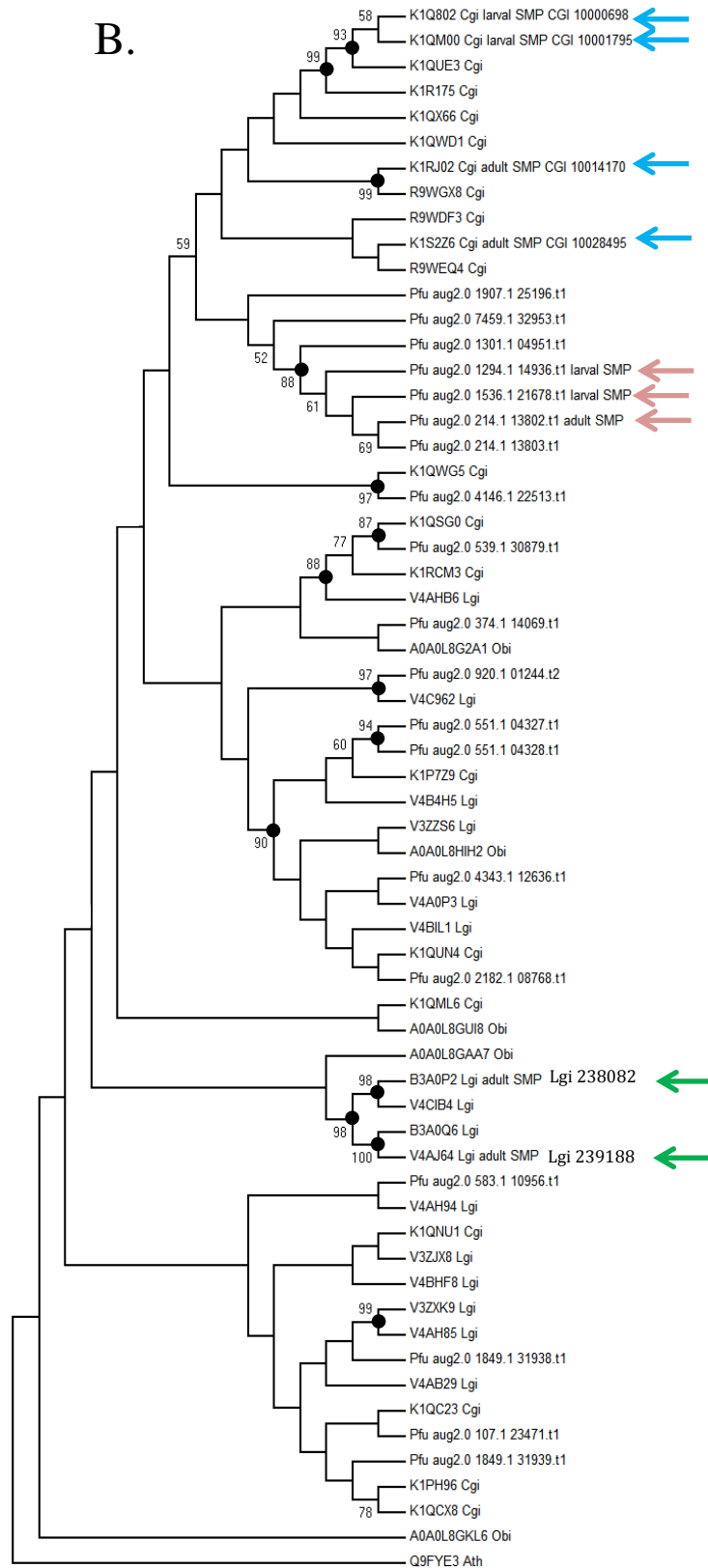
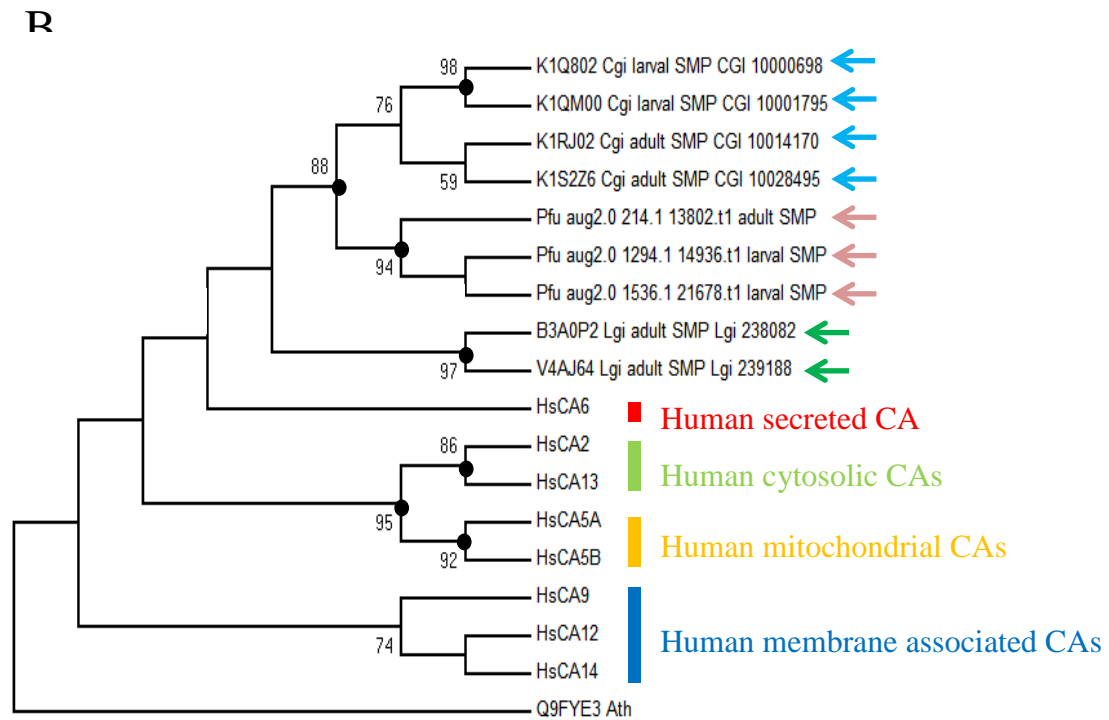
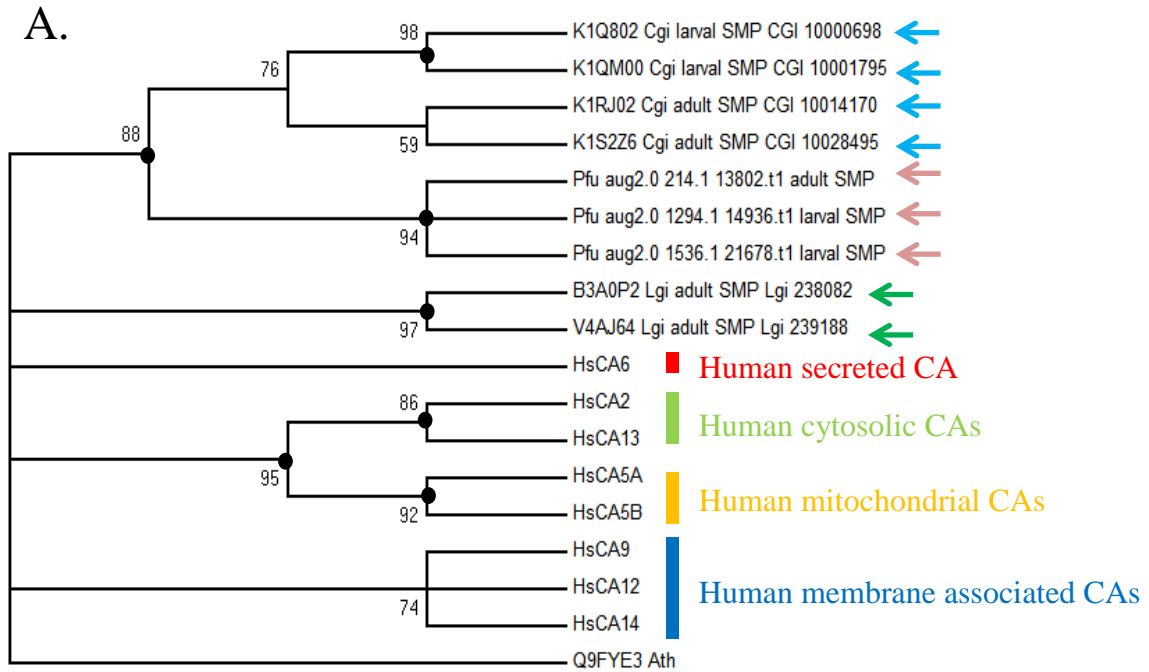


Fig. 3.11. Phylogenetic trees of CA domains in molluscs via Poisson model. A, Polychotomes are generated if the bootstrap value of a node is lower than 50. B, All dichotomes are preserved. Trees were generated on 82 amino acid residues. SMPs were indicated by blue (*C. gigas*), Pink (*P. fucata*) and green (*L. gigantea*) arrowheads. Bootstrap values are shown if over 50, and marked with black dots if over 80. CGI, *Crassostrea gigas*; Pfu, *Pinctada fucata*; Lgi, *Lottia gigantea*; Obi, *Octopus bimaculoides*. Ath, *Arabidopsis thaliana*.



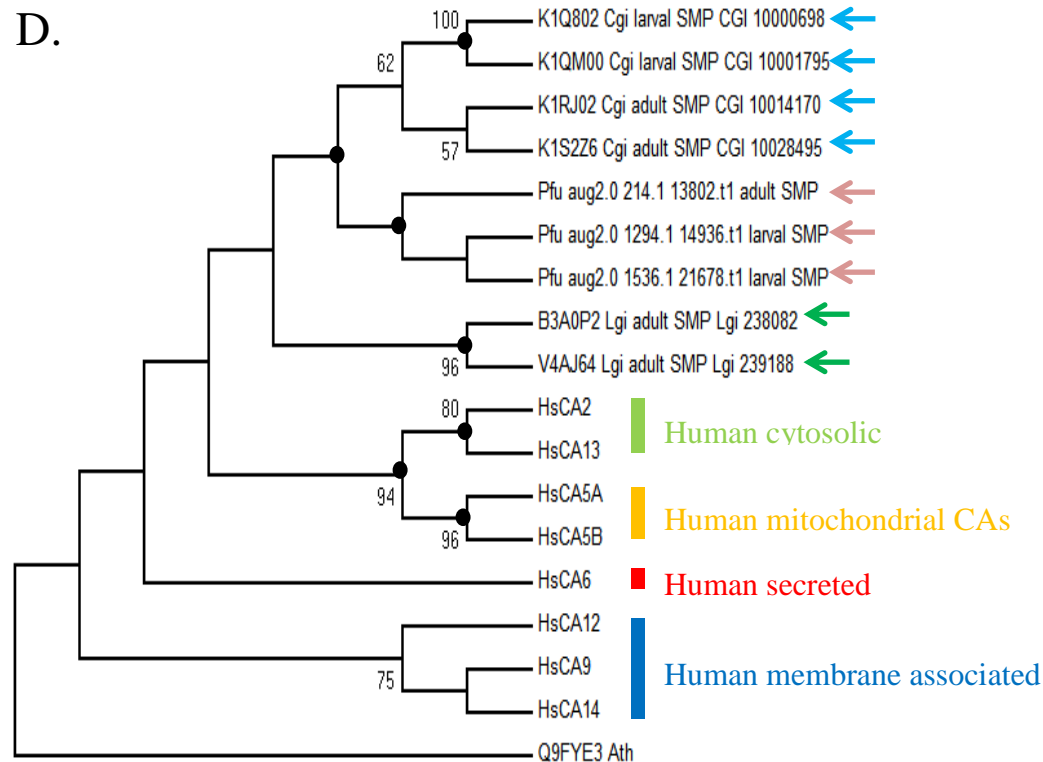
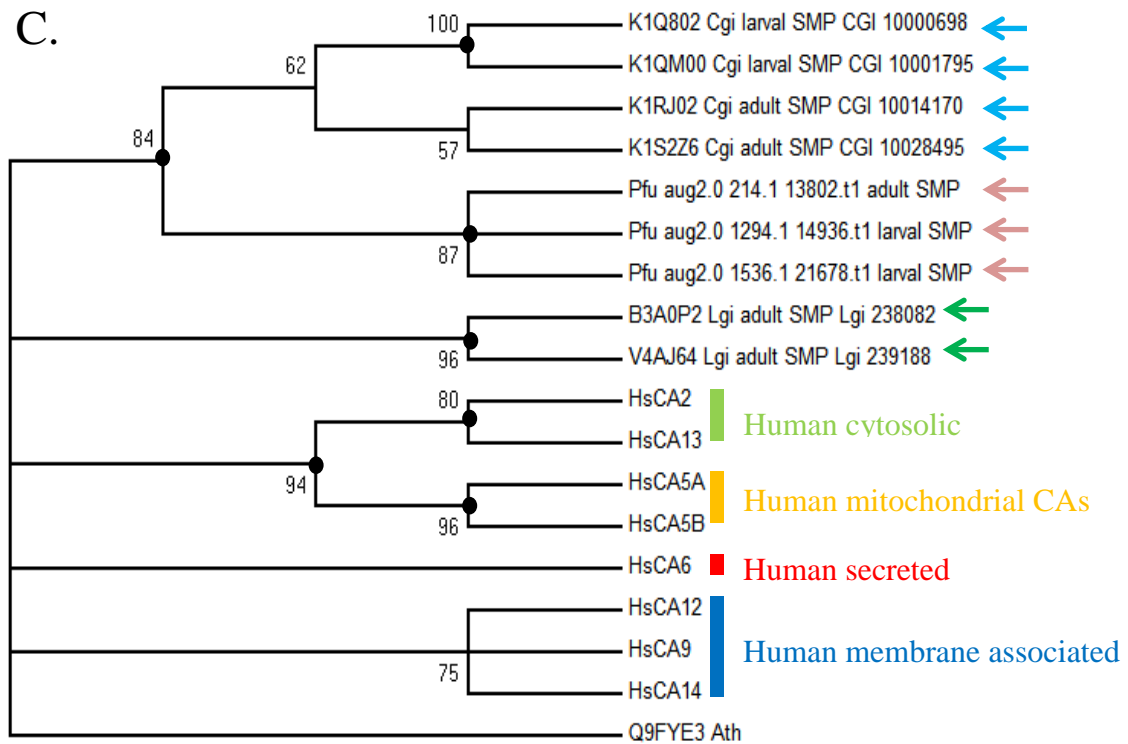


Fig. 3.12. Phylogenetic analyses of CAs in molluscan shells with CAs of human. Trees were generated on 55 amino acid residues based on LG (A, B) and Poisson (C, D) models, respectively. A, Polychotomes are generated if the bootstrap value of a node is lower than 50. B, All dichotomes are preserved. C, Polychotomes are generated if the bootstrap value of a node is lower than 50. D, All dichotomes are preserved. SMPs were indicated by blue (*C. gigas*), Pink (*P. fucata*) and green (*L. gigantea*) arrowheads. Bootstrap values are shown if over 50, and marked with black dots if over 80. CGI, *Crassostrea gigas*; Pfu, *Pinctada fucata*; Lgi, *Lottia gigantea*; Ath, *Arabidopsis thaliana*.

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Fig. 3.13. Alignment of molluscan CAs identified in the shells. The NG-repeat domains are indicated by the box. CGI, *Crassostrea gigas*; Pfu, *Pinctada fucata*; Lgi, *Lottia gigantea*.

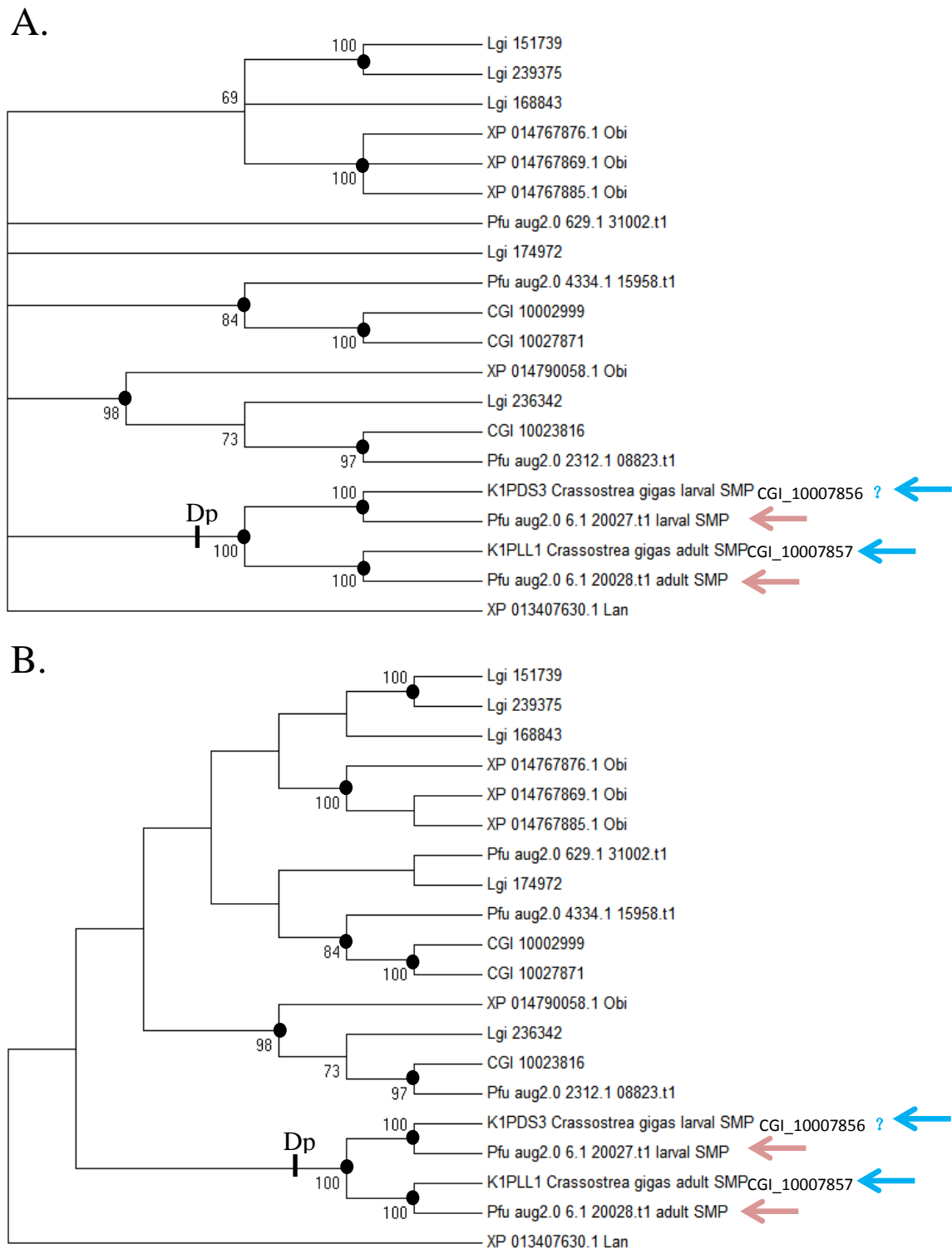
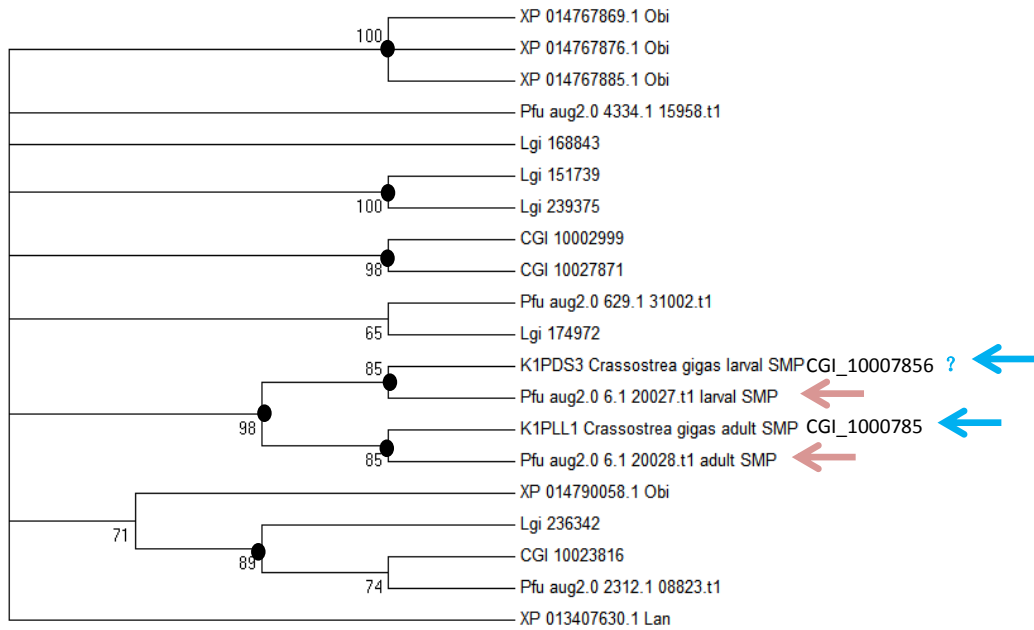
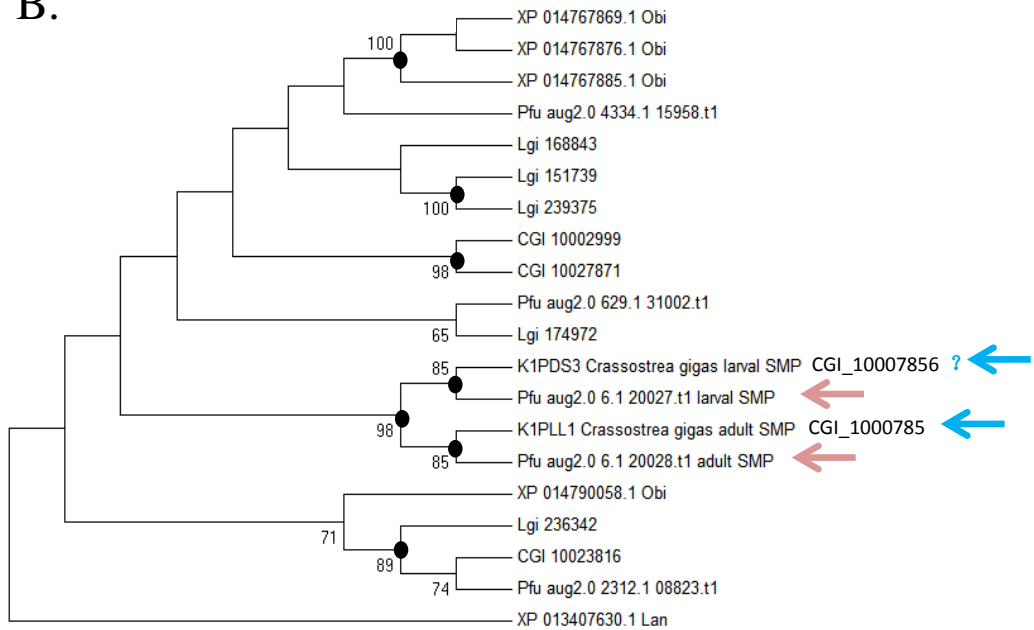


Fig. 3.14. Phylogenetic trees of chitobiasis in molluscs via Poisson model on concatenated sequence of CHB\_HEX domain (IPR004866), Glyco\_hydro\_20b domain (IPR015882), Glyco\_hydro\_20 domain (IPR015883) and CHB\_HEX\_C domain (IPR004867). A, Polychotomes are generated if the bootstrap value of a node is lower than 50. B, All dichotomes are preserved. Trees were generated on 523 amino acid residues. SMPs were indicated by blue (*C. gigas*) and Pink (*P. fucata*) arrowheads. Question mark indicates if the gene is a SMP is questionable. Bootstrap values are shown if over 50, and marked with black dots if over 80. CGI, *Crassostrea gigas*; Pfu, *Pinctada fucata*; Lgi, *Lottia gigantea*; Obi, *Octopus bimaculoides*. Lan, *Lingular anatina*.

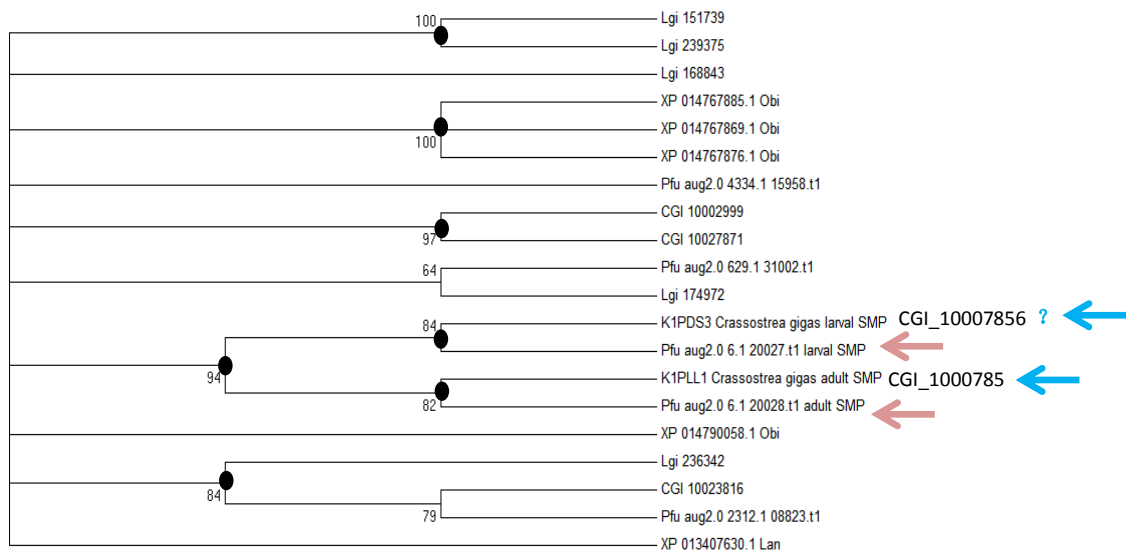
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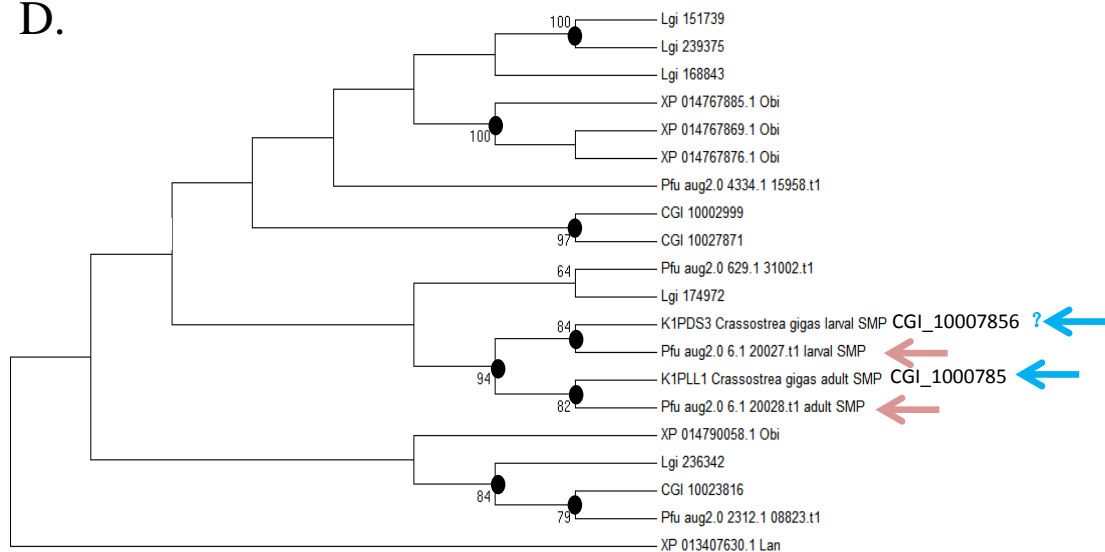


Fig. 3.15. Phylogenetic trees of chitobiases in molluscs via LG (A, B) and Poisson (C, D) models on concatenated sequence of CHB\_HEX domain (IPR004866), Glyco\_hydro\_20b domain (IPR015882), Glyco\_hydro\_20 domain (IPR015883) and CHB\_HEX\_C domain (IPR004867). A, Polychotomes are generated if the bootstrap value of a node is lower than 50. B, All dichotomes are preserved. C, Polychotomes are generated if the bootstrap value of a node is lower than 50. D, All dichotomes are preserved. Trees were generated on 106 amino acid residues. SMPs were indicated by blue (*C. gigas*) and Pink (*P. fucata*) arrowheads. Question mark indicates if the gene is a SMP is questionable. Bootstrap values are shown if over 50, and marked with black dots if over 80. CGI, *Crassostrea gigas*; Pfu, *Pinctada fucata*; Lgi, *Lottia gigantea*; Obi, *Octopus bimaculoides*. Lan, *Lingular anatina*.



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Fig. 3.16. Alignment of molluscan CB domains with that of *C. intestinalis* on 37 amino acid residues. CGI, *Crassostrea gigas*; Pfu, *Pinctada fucata*; Mga, *Mytilus galloprovincialis*; Lgi, *Lottia gigantea*; Cin,

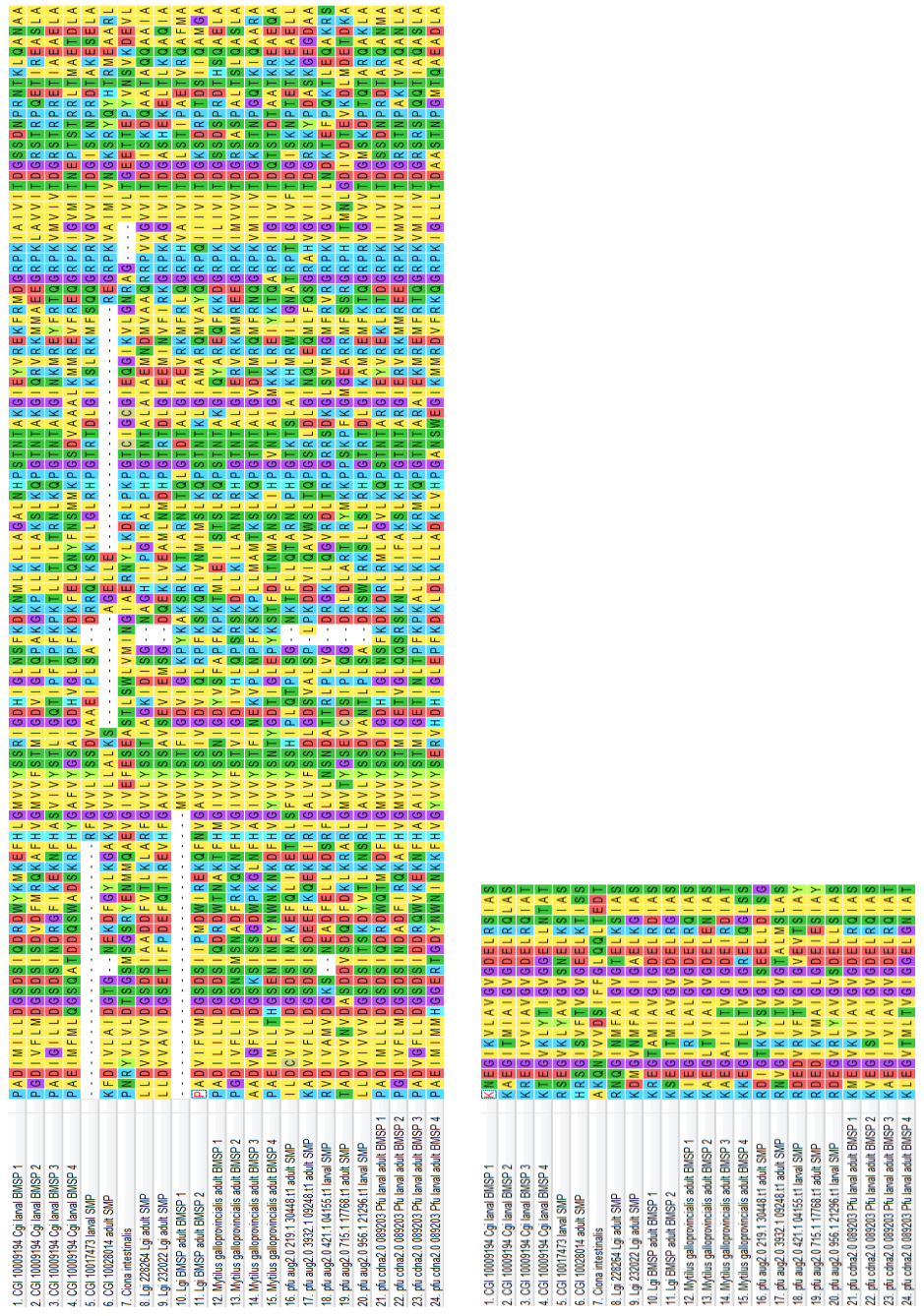


Fig. 3.17. Alignment of molluscan VWA domains with that of *C. intestinalis* on 127 amino acid residues. CGI, *Crassostrea gigas*; Pfu, *Pinctada fucata*; Mea, *Mytilus gallorprovincialis*; Lgi, *Lottia gigantea*.

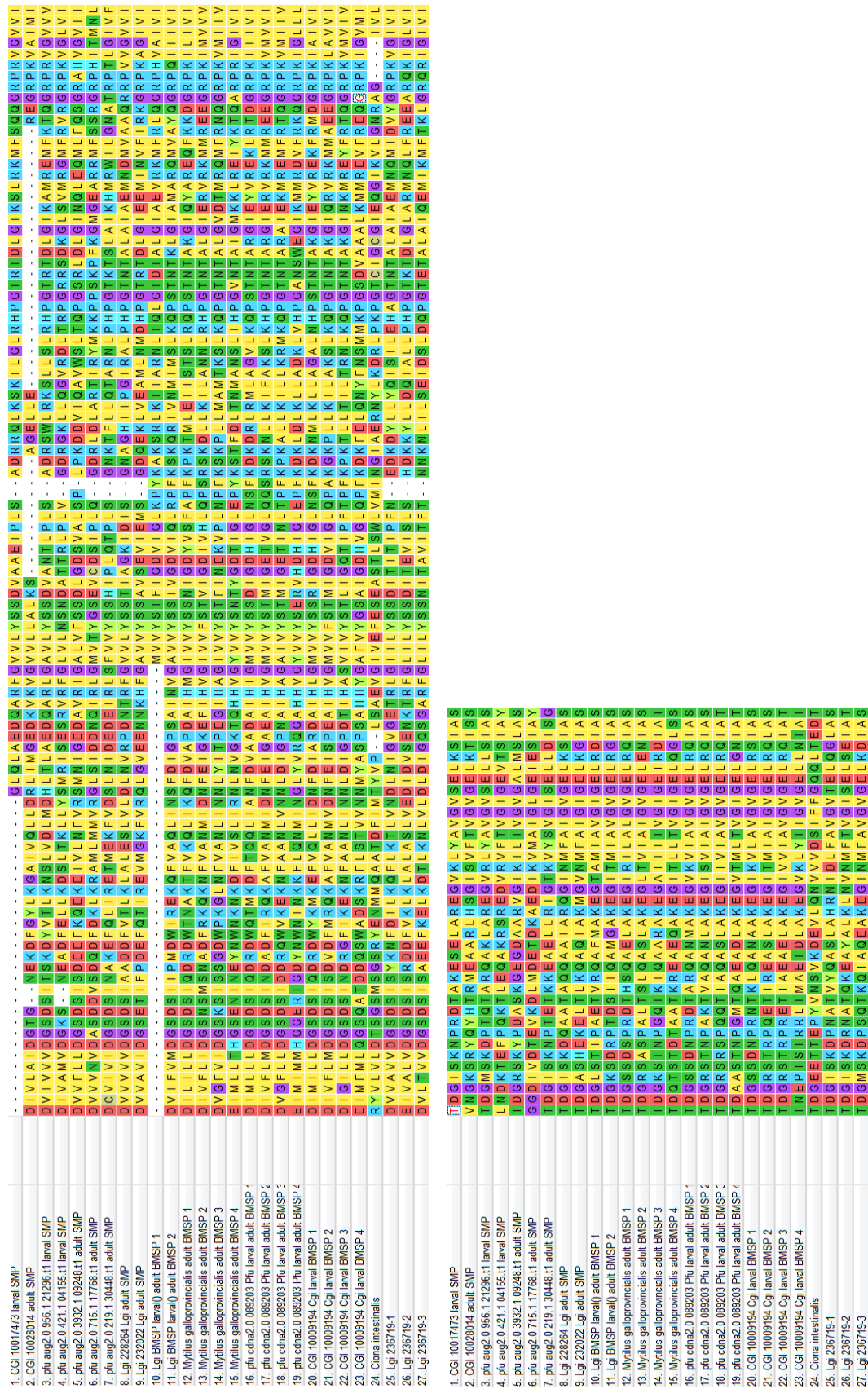


Fig. 3.18. Alignment of VWA domains of VWA-CB depts of molluscan shells and LG236719 on 138 amino acid residues. CGI,

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Fig. 3.19. Alignments of Laminin G domains on 57 amino acid residues (A) and the concatenated sequence of CB domain and Laminin G domain on 86 amino acid residues (B). CGI, *Crassostrea gigas*; Pfu, *Pinctada fucata*; Mga, *Mytilus galloprovincialis*; Lgi, *Lottia gigantea*; Lan, *Lingula anatina*.

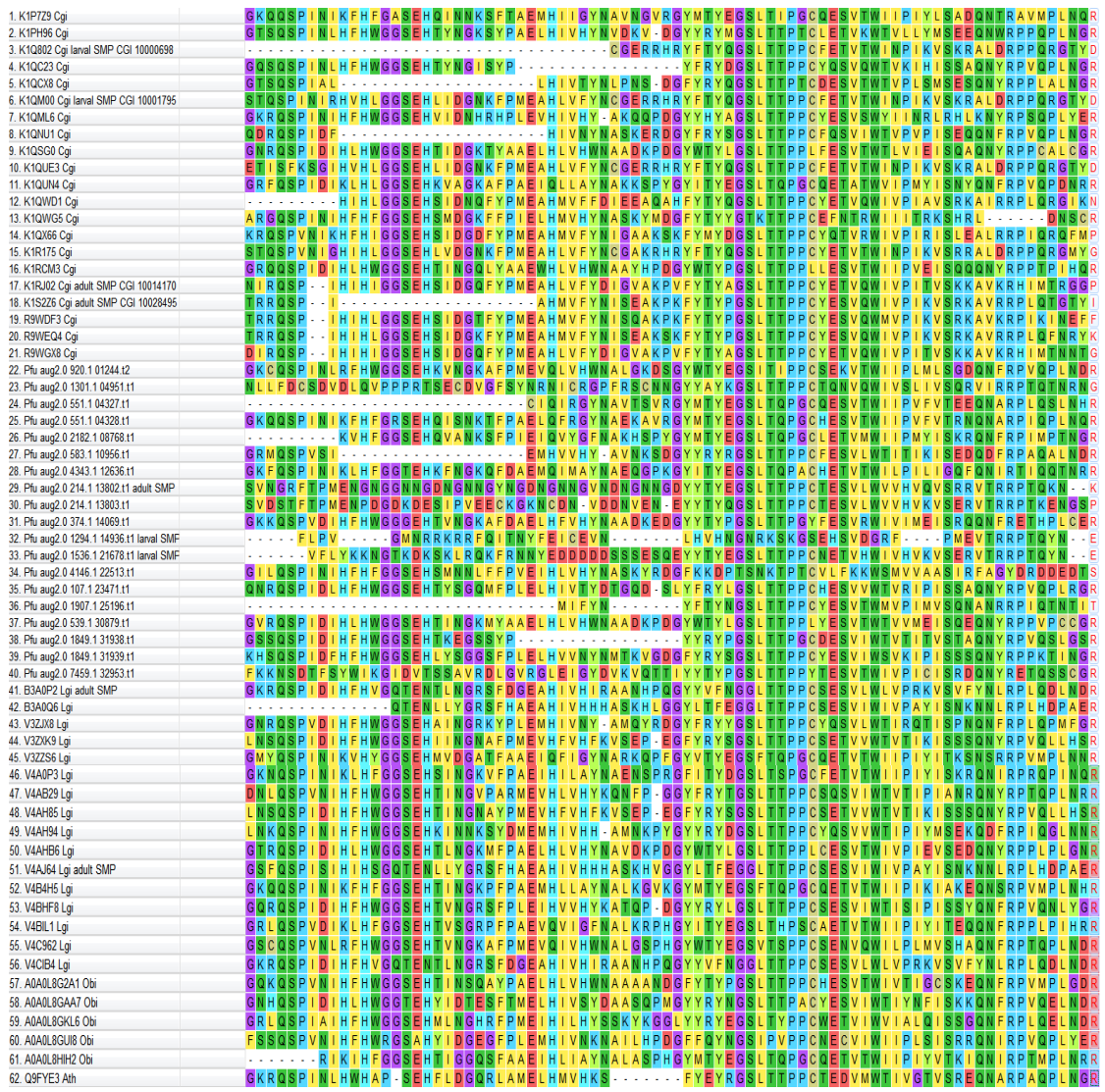


Fig. 3.20. Alignment of molluscan CA domains with that of *Arabidopsis thaliana* on 82 amino acid residues. CGI, *Crassostrea gigas*; Pfu, *Pinctada fucata*; Lgi, *Lottia gigantea*; Obi, *Octopus bimaculoides*. Ath, *Arabidopsis thaliana*.



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12. HsCA5B	FHWGELHLVHSCCLMPYWTYSGSLTTPPLSESVTWIIKDHDQLEQFNFRPLQPMNR
13. HsCA6	FHWGEIHIVHQDMLPHYTYHGSLLTTPPCCTENVHVFVLSRTQVWKLDRRRTQPNHR
14. HsCA9	LHWGEIHVVHSAALLPHYFYEGSLTTPPCAQGVITVFSQKQLHTLNFRAATQPNGR
15. HsCA12	LHWGELHIVHEELLPYRYRSGSLTTPPCNPTVLTWTVFSQEQLLALNFRQVQKDER
16. HsCA13	LHWGELHVHLSLLPYWTYPGSLTVPLLESVTWIVLSSQQLAKFNHRPPQPKGR
17. HsCA14	LHWGELHIVHRELLPHYFRYNGSLTTPPCYQSVLWTVFSMEQLEKLNRYRALQPNQR
18. Q9FYE3 Ath	WHAPELHMVHREFGWFYERYGSLTTPPCTEDVMWTIISREQIDVLEARNARPAQPNGR

Fig. 3.21. Alignment of CA domains of molluscs and human with that of *Arabidopsis thaliana* on 55 amino acid residues. CGI, *Crassostrea gigas*; Pfu, *Pinctada fucata*; Lgi, *Lottia gigantea*; Obi, *Octopus bimaculoides*. Ath, *Arabidopsis thaliana*.

1. KIPDS3 <i>Crossostrea gigas</i> larval SMP	...GDLRVSLFASNNWASRYDVFPNMYLG-GTHHEIIEIKSPQVTFVSPHKTFVEFM
2. KIPLL1 <i>Crossostrea gigas</i> adult SMP	LNEYSVRNLNTRGSIFFFCHEFLFPYYFHLGCMYEMR-SEKNNILYFSPFIVSKDFVRNHYVDDGGLKVIQDR-DRGVDDDFKTPNGL
3. Pfu aug2.0 6.1 20027.t1 larval SMP	LKLVYDVRLELVGSIYFCHHLIPMMLSHVKGCMFKLPGEERNISFLASNWASRYDVFPNMYLG-GSRYVINDNADVFNFAVPHSTFVGM
4. Pfu aug2.0 6.1 20028.t1 adult SMP	LKIRFTLSNLTVGACVYFCHDQLLFPQLFWFLKGMRYISPKSRKILLPEQFVSRYDSFPNYFCAGTKQVVIDNR-LDYVDFNSVYVWF
5. CGI 1002999	FVIFFTVIDNYAGWAIYFYDNGKVGHELLIFHEAGLYRLSPGGSECEIEASDNQSRFEEMPNHYVAAGLIPKQIVSTGEALFVFPDFTPKYL
6. CGI 1002916	LDIYSLVLDLITKSWKYFCHIRMVPEQIRSHVNGOLFLEPDESITKFKCQYICVARDILLPNHYIVAKLPRRIKCTSDEGLFVFPDFKPKMK
7. CGI 10027871	.....MPNHYVVAAGLTSRDIESTGGDLTFVGFPERPQVQ
8. Pfu aug2.0 2312.1 08023.t1	LQKYGVLDLITLGKLYFCHIRMVPEQVCFSHVNGHLLFALPGESELDISFLAQHYVAVTDAMPNHYMEAGLKRLLVKSITGEELSYIEPDPQMK
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11. Lgi 151739	.....MPNHYVVAAGLTSRDIESTGGDLTFVGFPERPQVQ
12. Lgi 168843	IKYEVLDN-FFIIRGVELIWCQLLAEKVKLSHLGCMFKLEPGEKRRIRYVSENVYVAKSDIYPNHYLASELEERVVEGTGSELSYIEPDPQMK
13. Lgi 174972	LQILKLYVSNLKTGELYFDPMMEVPEVRIHSGKHGTHYISPGTERKLQLHSFMTSRDTSFPNHYLWFQFPRIIVNNAVESLDYVSLHTPKQK
14. Lgi 236342	LIVKYVLDLITSAWEYLCHIRLIEPQVCFHIVGOLFLEPHEVLSIIILAKGSAVKSDDIPLNHYVAAGLTSRDIESTGGDLTFVGFPERPQVQ
15. Lgi 239375	.....MPNHYVVAAGLTSRDIESTGGDLTFVGFPERPQVQ
16. XP 014767869.1 Ohi	LDIYVLSHSLITLGGKLYFCHIRMSGVMFHEHTGGLYELSLGQSFIRYVSENVYVAKTDVMPNHYVVAAGLTSRDIESTGGDLTFVGFPERPQVQ
17. XP 014767876.1 Ohi	LDIYVLSHSLITLGGKLYFCHIRMSGVMFHEHTGGLYELSLGQSFIRYVSENVYVAKTDVMPNHYVVAAGLTSRDIESTGGDLTFVGFPERPQVQ
18. XP 014767885.1 Ohi	.....SGVMFHEHTGGLYELSLGQSFIRYVSENVYVAKTDVMPNHYVVAAGLTSRDIESTGGDLTFVGFPERPQVQ
19. XP 014790058.1 Ohi	LDHYEVLDLITLCHWAIYCHIRLIEPQVCFSHVNGHLLFALPGESELDISFLAQHYVAVTDAMPNHYMEAGLKRLLVKSITGEELSYIEPDPQMK
20. XP 013407630.1 Lan	LDVYEVVDLITLGGKLYFVMFMFLGKFLYHVGHLFCLTPEGKVVIKLDCQASVAKTDVMPNHYVAAGLTSRDIESTGGDLTFVGFPERPQVQ

1. KIPDS3 <i>Crossostrea gigas</i> larval SMP	RDVM-----KSSILPVPVAKYLKSEGYMNTANPRVEIIGNSVGGVFGIQLSFLPTMTIDEFSRHRGELLDLARFFPKSTVIKLEVMLAF
2. KIPLL1 <i>Crossostrea gigas</i> adult SMP	RDVSKPQD-LYDVPKPRNAAEYLAEEAYELVITP--SQIEGAAAPKGIIGIHILISQPAVIKQFAERALDLDIANSFYKPAEKKILIMLMAYY
3. Pfu aug2.0 6.1 20027.t1 larval SMP	RDVMSIPTPFKYSILPPLAGLYLKKNAAYKLRVSKPARVEISAYTGGVFIQIQLSFLMPAVSIFQK?-----
4. Pfu aug2.0 6.1 20028.t1 adult SMP	RRVLPAPQLKYPITPDKIAKISTDEAYSIDVKG--LIVSEAPAPAGLMYGVDTKSPFGGKDFPFFRIFLDIASNFPDYKLLKLVMAAY
5. CGI 1002999	RDKFAPFPEV-KQIIPPEISLNSHAYREISK--FSIDGVRTTGAFYAYDTLSRDPVYIKDFYRGLMDVARFFPKEEYVYKLDAMNY
6. CGI 1002916	RMRVQKYPYTPESLVLPTAEFLKSKSYKLSVNEPISIVSEASDQGAFYIGISSLALPAEIEEDYFPYRGMHLDVSRMFKGHKIMKLLDIMAKY
7. CGI 10027871	RDGSPFPPE-----KVVIPTPVAKLIAEHAYLQISS--QYITVBARAKAMFYAYDTLKSIPLCVKIDQFAFYRGMHLDVSRMFFSKLEEILKILIMAMY
8. Pfu aug2.0 2312.1 08023.t1	RHRKQYNYPFAE-----ESKLSVLP.PKVEIGNTSVGVFYIGISSLALPAEIVAVVDAYTYRGMHLDVSRMFKGHKIMKLLDIMAMY
9. Pfu aug2.0 4334.1 19358.t1	RDKFRYTPEDN-RPLVLPPEAKFLSDKAYVLEIGEEKVIKSRTRAGAFYIMLKQVIVYVIGKIDAFYRGLMDVSRMFFSKLEEILKILIMAMY
10. Pfu aug2.0 629.1 31002.t1	RDIYPPPE--EKIIPPEPAKFLAAKGYSLKVSRSQVSIIGKGTGVFYIGISSLALP-----
11. Lgi 151739	RDRFD-----ETIIPPEAFLAEEKAYSLEIPEGSQIIRSLGAGMFIYVQSLLGKYIKVDAFEYRGMHLDVSRMFFSKLEEILKILIMAMY
12. Lgi 168843	RDRYDFTP--RAKLIIPPEAYLAKVEYLEDIPFKGSIIRARAEPGAFYAVQSLLLPRAKIFDGVPYRGMHLDVSRMFFSKLEEILKILIMAMY
13. Lgi 174972	RDKLPPFAEK-ISTIPKPEAYLAKVEYLEDIPFKGSIIRARAEPGAFYAVQSLLLPRAKIFDGVPYRGMHLDVSRMFFSKLEEILKILIMAMY
14. Lgi 236342	RKRFDLYDFPPEVLIIPPEAYLAKVEYLEDIPFKGSIIRARAEPGAFYAVQSLLLPRAKIFDGVPYRGMHLDVSRMFFSKLEEILKILIMAMY
15. Lgi 239375	RDRFD-----ETIIPPEAFLAEEKAYSLEIPEGSQIIRSLGAGMFIYVQSLLGKYIKVDAFEYRGMHLDVSRMFFSKLEEILKILIMAMY
16. XP 014767869.1 Ohi	RDKFRYSPERAERIIPKPEAYLAKVEYLEDIPFKGSIIRARAEPGAFYAVQSLLLPRAKIFDGVPYRGMHLDVSRMFFSKLEEILKILIMAMY
17. XP 014767876.1 Ohi	RDKFRYSPERAERIIPKPEAYLAKVEYLEDIPFKGSIIRARAEPGAFYAVQSLLLPRAKIFDGVPYRGMHLDVSRMFFSKLEEILKILIMAMY
18. XP 014767885.1 Ohi	RDKFRYSPERAERIIPKPEAYLAKVEYLEDIPFKGSIIRARAEPGAFYAVQSLLLPRAKIFDGVPYRGMHLDVSRMFFSKLEEILKILIMAMY
19. XP 014790058.1 Ohi	RDRFDLYDFPPEVLIIPKPYITDAEYLSGKAYLIVDCLGEVIEIATASTSGFLGIGISSLALPEVIVDAYEYRGMHLDVSRMFFSKLEEILKILIMAMY
20. XP 013407630.1 Lan	RDFNFPTPE--GLLVIPTPVFVGLNEEYSLTVGRLRIIVAPASPGAFYAMQSLFALPIVMDKAFIYRGMHLDVSRMFFSKLEEILKILIMAMY

1. KIPDS3 <i>Crossostrea gigas</i> larval SMP	KLKLLADDEGRWLDIETLPELAKVGGRRCHDEKTLFSQLGSHPNQSGVYFKTQDQILKAAKDRNIETIPSNIAGRARAIAIAMYDVKH
2. KIPLL1 <i>Crossostrea gigas</i> adult SMP	KLRLYLQIINNHLRDLGL-AVEVAKGRCHDEEICLMTLQSGDPRGGRKGHLKEFVLLVYADKRGVMIVPSNIGDNRAMVVGMDDRAEV
3. Pfu aug2.0 6.1 20027.t1 larval SMP	.....EVIPSNIAGRARAIAIAMYDVKH
4. Pfu aug2.0 6.1 20028.t1 adult SMP	KLKLVLPYIYNQDFRQLLDAPNLEIGSRRCHDETKCMFSSIGSDPNSIILGYLTKAMIELEDAOLLIEIPSNIAGSARAIAIPLKRGDI
5. CGI 1002999	KLKLVFVYLETDEGRWLDIETLPELAKVGGRRCHDEEICLMTLQSGDPRGGRKGHLKEFVLLVYADKRGVMIVPSNIGDNRAMVVGMDDRAEV
6. CGI 1002916	KLKLVFVYLETDEGRWLDIETLPELAKVGGRRCHDEEICLMTLQSGDPRGGRKGHLKEFVLLVYADKRGVMIVPSNIGDNRAMVVGMDDRAEV
7. CGI 10027871	KLKLVFVYLETDEGRWLDIETLPELAKVGGRRCHDEEICLMTLQSGDPRGGRKGHLKEFVLLVYADKRGVMIVPSNIGDNRAMVVGMDDRAEV
8. Pfu aug2.0 2312.1 08023.t1	KLKLVFVYLETDEGRWLDIETLPELAKVGGRRCHDEEICLMTLQSGDPRGGRKGHLKEFVLLVYADKRGVMIVPSNIGDNRAMVVGMDDRAEV
9. Pfu aug2.0 4334.1 19358.t1	KLKLVFVYLETDEGRWLDIETLPELAKVGGRRCHDEEICLMTLQSGDPRGGRKGHLKEFVLLVYADKRGVMIVPSNIGDNRAMVVGMDDRAEV
10. Pfu aug2.0 629.1 31002.t1	.....PNGNVEVYIDQS-TLGAIAKMSR-PG
11. Lgi 151739	KLKLVFVYLETDEGRWLDIETLPELAKVGGRRCHDEEICLMTLQSGDPRGGRKGHLKEFVLLVYADKRGVMIVPSNIGDNRAMVVGMDDRAEV
12. Lgi 168843	KLKLVFVYLETDEGRWLDIETLPELAKVGGRRCHDEEICLMTLQSGDPRGGRKGHLKEFVLLVYADKRGVMIVPSNIGDNRAMVVGMDDRAEV
13. Lgi 174972	KLKLVFVYLETDEGRWLDIETLPELAKVGGRRCHDEEICLMTLQSGDPRGGRKGHLKEFVLLVYADKRGVMIVPSNIGDNRAMVVGMDDRAEV
14. Lgi 236342	KLKLVFVYLETDEGRWLDIETLPELAKVGGRRCHDEEICLMTLQSGDPRGGRKGHLKEFVLLVYADKRGVMIVPSNIGDNRAMVVGMDDRAEV
15. Lgi 239375	KLKLVFVYLETDEGRWLDIETLPELAKVGGRRCHDEEICLMTLQSGDPRGGRKGHLKEFVLLVYADKRGVMIVPSNIGDNRAMVVGMDDRAEV
16. XP 014767869.1 Ohi	KMKLVFVYLETDEGRWLDIETLPELAKVGGRRCHDEEICLMTLQSGDPRGGRKGHLKEFVLLVYADKRGVMIVPSNIGDNRAMVVGMDDRAEV
17. XP 014767876.1 Ohi	KMKLVFVYLETDEGRWLDIETLPELAKVGGRRCHDEEICLMTLQSGDPRGGRKGHLKEFVLLVYADKRGVMIVPSNIGDNRAMVVGMDDRAEV
18. XP 014767885.1 Ohi	KMKLVFVYLETDEGRWLDIETLPELAKVGGRRCHDEEICLMTLQSGDPRGGRKGHLKEFVLLVYADKRGVMIVPSNIGDNRAMVVGMDDRAEV
19. XP 014790058.1 Ohi	KMKLVFVYLETDEGRWLDIETLPELAKVGGRRCHDEEICLMTLQSGDPRGGRKGHLKEFVLLVYADKRGVMIVPSNIGDNRAMVVGMDDRAEV
20. XP 013407630.1 Lan	KMKLVFVYLETDEGRWLDIETLPELAKVGGRRCHDEEICLMTLQSGDPRGGRKGHLKEFVLLVYADKRGVMIVPSNIGDNRAMVVGMDDRAEV

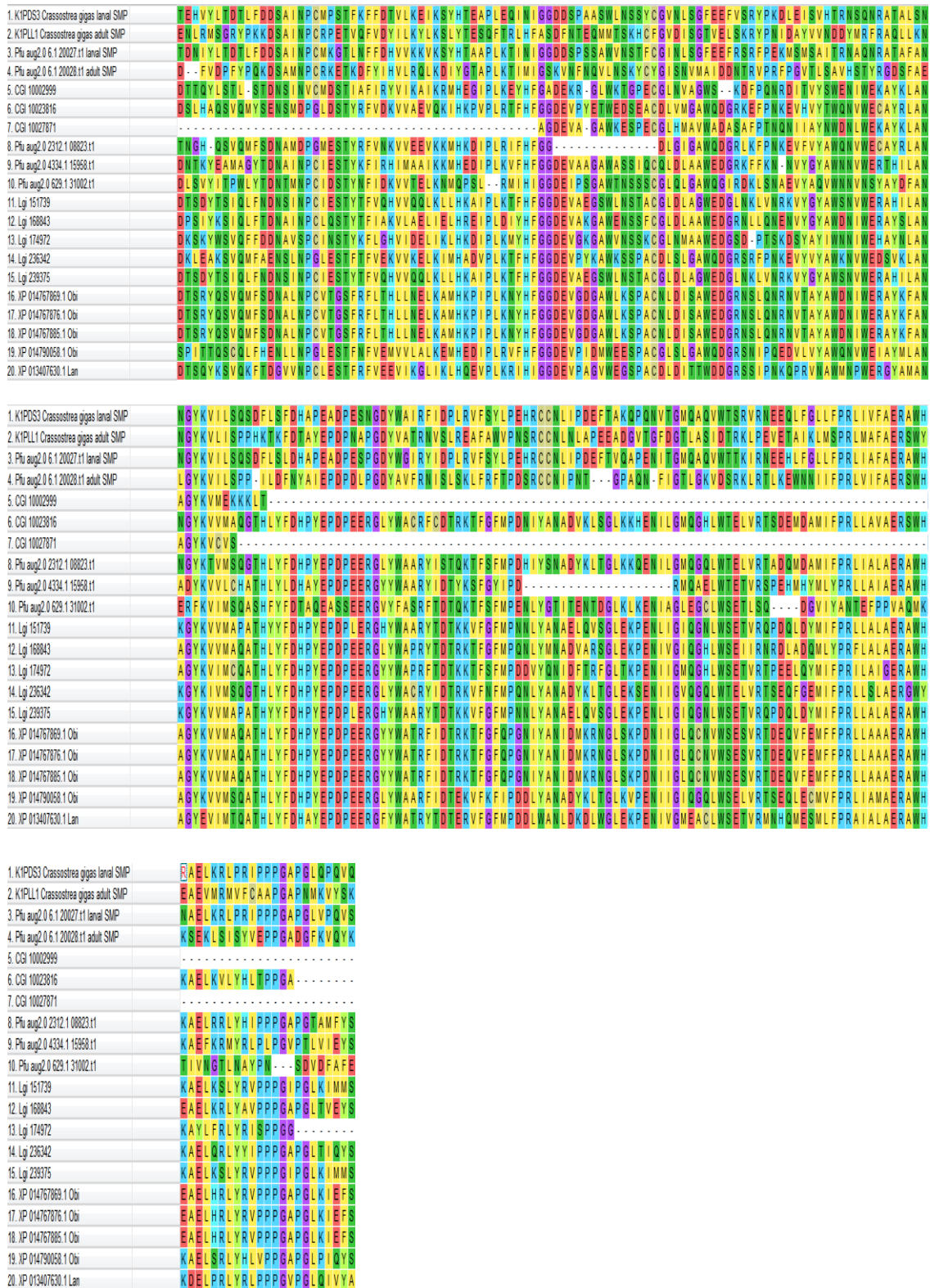


Fig. 3.22. Alignment of concatenated sequence of CHB\_HEX domain (IPR004866), Glyco\_hydro\_20b domain (IPR015882), Glyco\_hydro\_20 domain (IPR015883) and CHB\_HEX\_C domain (IPR004867) on 523 amino acid residues. CGI, *Crassostrea gigas*; Pfu, *Pinctada fucata*; Lgi, *Lottia gigantea*; Obi, *Octopus bimaculoides*. Lan, *Lingula anatina*.



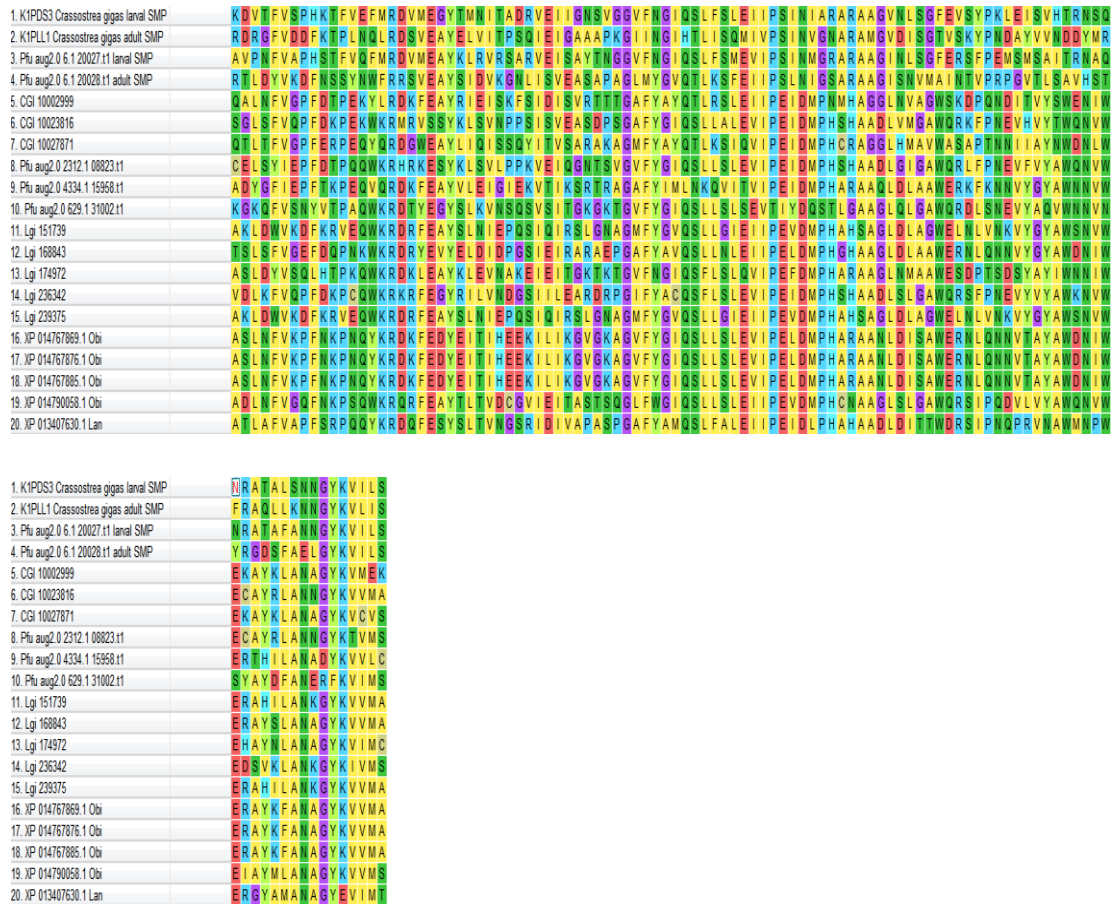


Fig. 3.23. Alignment of concatenated sequence of CHB\_HEX domain (IPR004866), Glyco\_hydro\_20b domain (IPR015882), Glyco\_hydro\_20 domain (IPR015883) and CHB\_HEX\_C domain (IPR004867) on 106 amino acid residues by removing all gaps. CGI, *Crassostrea gigas*; Pfu, *Pinctada fucata*; Lgi, *Lottia gigantea*; Obi, *Octopus bimaculoides*. Lan, *Lingula anatina*.

Table 3.1 List of VWA-CB dcps in this study.

Protein	Larval SMP	Adult SMP	Species	Accession code	Reference/Resource
PIF	Yes		<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	CGI_10017473	Zhao, et al. 2018
PIF		Yes	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	CGI_10028014	Zhang, et al. 2012
BMSP	Yes		<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	CGI_10009194	Zhao, et al. 2018
PIF	Yes		<i>Pinctada fucata</i>	Pfu_aug2.0_956.1_21296.t1	Zhao, et al. 2018
PIF	Yes		<i>Pinctada fucata</i>	Pfu_aug2.0_421.1_04155.t1	Zhao, et al. 2018
PIF		Yes	<i>Pinctada fucata</i>	Pfu_aug2.0_3932.1_09248.t1	Zhao, et al. 2018
PIF		Yes	<i>Pinctada fucata</i>	Pfu_aug2.0_715.1_17768.t1	Zhao, et al. 2018
Sushi, von Willebrand factor type A, EGF and pentraxin domain-containing protein 1		Yes	<i>Pinctada fucata</i>	Pfu_aug2.0_219.1_30448.t1	Zhao, et al. 2018
Collagen alpha-5(VI) chain	Yes	Yes	<i>Pinctada fucata</i>	Pfu_cdna2.0_089203	Zhao, et al. 2018
BMSP		Yes	<i>Mitulus galloprovincialis</i>	BAK86420.1	Suzuki, et al. 2011
Pif/BMSP-like protein		Yes	<i>Lottia gigantea</i>	Lgi_228264	Mann, et al. 2012
Pif/BMSP-like protein		Yes	<i>Lottia gigantea</i>	Lgi_232022	Mann, et al. 2012
BMSP		Yes	<i>Lottia gigantea</i>	Lgi_173137, 173138, 173139	Marie, et al. 2013
Calcium-activated chloride channel regulator 4-like			<i>Ciona intestinalis</i>	A0A1W3JQS8	InterProScan database

Table 3.2 List of proteins containing carbonic anhydrase domain in this study.

Protein	Larval SMP	Adult SMP	Species	Accession code	Reference/Resource
Carbonic anhydrase	Yes		<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	K1Q802/CGI_10000698	Zhang, et al. 2012
Carbonic anhydrase	Yes		<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	K1QM00/CGI_10001795	Zhang, et al. 2012
Carbonic anhydrase		Yes	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	K1RJ02/CGI_10014170	Zhang, et al. 2012
Carbonic anhydrase		Yes	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	K1S2Z6/CGI_10028495	Zhang, et al. 2012
Uncharacterized protein			<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	K1P7Z9	Zhang, et al. 2012
Carbonic anhydrase			<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	K1PH96	Zhang, et al. 2012
Carbonic anhydrase 1			<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	K1QC23	Zhang, et al. 2012
Carbonic anhydrase 12			<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	K1QCX8	Zhang, et al. 2012
Carbonic anhydrase 2			<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	K1QNU1	Zhang, et al. 2012
Carbonic anhydrase 2			<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	K1QSG0	Zhang, et al. 2012
Nacrein-like protein P2			<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	K1QUE3	Zhang, et al. 2012
DnaJ-like protein subfamily C member 7			<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	K1QUN4	Zhang, et al. 2012
Carbonic anhydrase 2			<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	K1QWD1	Zhang, et al. 2012
Carbonic anhydrase 2			<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	K1QX66	Zhang, et al. 2012
Carbonic anhydrase 7			<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	K1R175	Zhang, et al. 2012
Carbonic anhydrase 2			<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	K1RCM3	Zhang, et al. 2012
Carbonic anhydrase 13			<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	K1RKE6	Zhang, et al. 2012
Nacrein-like protein F2			<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	R9WDF3	Song, et al. 2014
Nacrein-like protein			<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	R9WEQ4	Song and Wang, 2013
Nacrein-like protein F1			<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	R9WGX8	Song, et al. 2014
Uncharacterized protein			<i>Pinctada fucata</i>	Pfu_aug2.0_920.1_01244.t2	Takeuchi, et al. 2016
Uncharacterized protein			<i>Pinctada fucata</i>	Pfu_aug2.0_1301.1_04951.t1	Takeuchi, et al. 2016
Uncharacterized protein			<i>Pinctada fucata</i>	Pfu_aug2.0_551.1_04327.t1	Takeuchi, et al. 2016
Uncharacterized protein			<i>Pinctada fucata</i>	Pfu_aug2.0_551.1_04328.t1	Takeuchi, et al. 2016
Uncharacterized protein			<i>Pinctada fucata</i>	Pfu_aug2.0_2182.1_08768.t1	Takeuchi, et al. 2016
Uncharacterized protein			<i>Pinctada fucata</i>	Pfu_aug2.0_583.1_10956.t1	Takeuchi, et al. 2016
Uncharacterized protein			<i>Pinctada fucata</i>	Pfu_aug2.0_4343.1_12636.t1	Takeuchi, et al. 2016
Uncharacterized protein		Yes	<i>Pinctada fucata</i>	Pfu_aug2.0_214.1_13802.t1	Zhao, et al. 2018
Uncharacterized protein			<i>Pinctada fucata</i>	Pfu_aug2.0_214.1_13803.t1	Takeuchi, et al. 2016
Uncharacterized protein			<i>Pinctada fucata</i>	Pfu_aug2.0_374.1_14069.t1	Takeuchi, et al. 2016
Carbonic anhydrase	YES		<i>Pinctada fucata</i>	Pfu_aug2.0_1294.1_14936.t1	Zhao, et al. 2018
Carbonic anhydrase	YES		<i>Pinctada fucata</i>	Pfu_aug2.0_1536.1_21678.t1	Zhao, et al. 2018
Uncharacterized protein			<i>Pinctada fucata</i>	Pfu_aug2.0_4146.1_22513.t1	Takeuchi, et al. 2016
Uncharacterized protein			<i>Pinctada fucata</i>	Pfu_aug2.0_107.1_23471.t1	Takeuchi, et al. 2016
Uncharacterized protein			<i>Pinctada fucata</i>	Pfu_aug2.0_1907.1_25196.t1	Takeuchi, et al. 2016
Uncharacterized protein			<i>Pinctada fucata</i>	Pfu_aug2.0_539.1_30879.t1	Takeuchi, et al. 2016
Uncharacterized protein			<i>Pinctada fucata</i>	Pfu_aug2.0_1849.1_31938.t1	Takeuchi, et al. 2016
Uncharacterized protein			<i>Pinctada fucata</i>	Pfu_aug2.0_1849.1_31939.t1	Takeuchi, et al. 2016
Uncharacterized protein			<i>Pinctada fucata</i>	Pfu_aug2.0_7459.1_32953.t1	Takeuchi, et al. 2016
Putative carbonic		Yes	<i>Lottia gigantea</i>	B3A0P2	Marie, et al. 2013

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Putative carbonic anhydrase 2		<i>Lottia gigantea</i>	B3A0Q6 Marie, et al. 2013
Uncharacterized protein		<i>Lottia gigantea</i>	V3ZJX8 Simakov, et al. 2013
Uncharacterized protein		<i>Lottia gigantea</i>	V3ZXK9 Simakov, et al. 2013
Uncharacterized protein		<i>Lottia gigantea</i>	V3ZS6 Simakov, et al. 2013
Uncharacterized protein		<i>Lottia gigantea</i>	V4A0P3 Simakov, et al. 2013
Uncharacterized protein		<i>Lottia gigantea</i>	V4AB29 Simakov, et al. 2013
Uncharacterized protein		<i>Lottia gigantea</i>	V4AH85 Simakov, et al. 2013
Uncharacterized protein		<i>Lottia gigantea</i>	V4AH94 Simakov, et al. 2013
Uncharacterized protein		<i>Lottia gigantea</i>	V4AHB6 Simakov, et al. 2013
Uncharacterized protein	Yes	<i>Lottia gigantea</i>	V4AJ64 Simakov, et al. 2013
Uncharacterized protein		<i>Lottia gigantea</i>	V4B4H5 Simakov, et al. 2013
Uncharacterized protein		<i>Lottia gigantea</i>	V4BHF8 Simakov, et al. 2013
Uncharacterized protein		<i>Lottia gigantea</i>	V4BIL1 Simakov, et al. 2013
Uncharacterized protein		<i>Lottia gigantea</i>	V4C962 Simakov, et al. 2013
Uncharacterized protein		<i>Lottia gigantea</i>	V4CIB4 Simakov, et al. 2013
Uncharacterized protein		<i>Octopus bimaculoides</i>	A0A0L8G2A1 Albertin, et al. 2015
Uncharacterized protein		<i>Octopus bimaculoides</i>	A0A0L8GAA7 Albertin, et al. 2015
Uncharacterized protein		<i>Octopus bimaculoides</i>	A0A0L8GKL6 Albertin, et al. 2015
Uncharacterized protein		<i>Octopus bimaculoides</i>	A0A0L8GUI8 Albertin, et al. 2015
Uncharacterized protein		<i>Octopus bimaculoides</i>	A0A0L8HIH2 Albertin, et al. 2015
Alpha carbonate dehydratase 3		<i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i>	Q9FYE3 Institute, Kazusa DNA Research, et al. 2000
CA2		<i>Homo sapiens</i>	P00918 Murakami, et al. 1987
CA5A		<i>Homo sapiens</i>	P35218 Nagao, et al. 1993
CA5B		<i>Homo sapiens</i>	Q9Y2D0 Fujikawa-Adachi, et al. 1999
CA6		<i>Homo sapiens</i>	P23280 Aldred, et al. 1991
CA9		<i>Homo sapiens</i>	Q16790 Pastorek, et al. 1994
CA12		<i>Homo sapiens</i>	O43570 Ota, et al. 2004
CA13		<i>Homo sapiens</i>	Q8N1Q1 Ota, et al. 2004
CA14		<i>Homo sapiens</i>	Q9ULX7 Ota, et al. 2004

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Table 3.3 Chitobiase-like proteins applied to phylogenetic analyses in this study.

Protein	Larval SMP	Adult SMP	Species	Accession code	Reference
<i>N,N'</i> -diacetylchitobiase	Yes		<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	CGI_10007856	Zhao, et al. 2018
Chitobiase		Yes	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	CGI_10007857	Zhang, et al. 2012
<i>N,N'</i> -diacetylchitobiase			<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	CGI_10002999	Zhang, et al. 2012
Chitobiase			<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	CGI_10023816	Zhang, et al. 2012
<i>N,N'</i> -diacetylchitobiase			<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	CGI_10027871	Zhang, et al. 2012
<i>N,N'</i> -diacetylchitobiase	Yes		<i>Pinctada fucata</i>	pfu_aug2.0_6.1_20027.t1	Zhao, et al. 2018
Beta-hexosaminidase		Yes	<i>Pinctada fucata</i>	pfu_aug2.0_6.1_20028.t1	Zhao, et al. 2018
Uncharacterized protein			<i>Pinctada fucata</i>	pfu_aug2.0_2312.1_08823.t1	Takeuchi, et al. 2016
Uncharacterized protein			<i>Pinctada fucata</i>	pfu_aug2.0_4334.1_15958.t1	Takeuchi, et al. 2016
Uncharacterized protein			<i>Pinctada fucata</i>	pfu_aug2.0_629.1_31002.t1	Takeuchi, et al. 2016
Uncharacterized protein			<i>Lottia gigantea</i>	Lgi_151739	Simakov, et al. 2013
Uncharacterized protein			<i>Lottia gigantea</i>	Lgi_168843	Simakov, et al. 2013
Uncharacterized protein			<i>Lottia gigantea</i>	Lgi_174972	Simakov, et al. 2013
Uncharacterized protein			<i>Lottia gigantea</i>	Lgi_236342	Simakov, et al. 2013
Uncharacterized protein			<i>Lottia gigantea</i>	Lgi_239375	Simakov, et al. 2013
Beta-hexosaminidase-like isoform X1			<i>Octopus bimaculoides</i>	XP_014767869.1	Albertin, et al. 2015
Beta-hexosaminidase-like isoform X2			<i>Octopus bimaculoides</i>	XP_014767876.1	Albertin, et al. 2015
Beta-hexosaminidase-like isoform X3			<i>Octopus bimaculoides</i>	XP_014767885.1	Albertin, et al. 2015
<i>N,N'</i> -diacetylchitobiase-like			<i>Octopus bimaculoides</i>	XP_014790058.1	Albertin, et al. 2015
Uncharacterized protein			<i>Lingula anatina</i>	XP_013407630.1	Luo, et al. 2015

Table 3.4 Proteins containing Glyco\_18 domain (IPR011583) or Glyco\_hydro\_20 domain (IPR015883) identified in the shell proteome data and genome data of *C. gigas* and *P. fucata*.

	Glyco_18 domain (IPR011583)	Glyco_hydro_20 domain (IPR015883)	Reference
Larval SMP of <i>C. gigas</i>		CGI_10007856 ?	Zhao, et al. 2018
Adult SMP of <i>C. gigas</i>	CGI_10026605	CGI_10007857	Zhang, et al. 2012
Larval SMP of <i>P. fucata</i>		pfu_aug2.0_6.1_20027.t1	Zhao, et al. 2018
Adult SMP of <i>P. fucata</i>	pfu_aug2.0_194.1_13762.t1	pfu_aug2.0_6.1_20028.t1	Zhao, et al. 2018
	pfu_aug2.0_194.1_13763.t1		Zhao, et al. 2018
Genome of <i>C. gigas</i>	CGI_10002421	CGI_10001718	Zhang, et al. 2012
	CGI_10006211	CGI_10002246	Zhang, et al. 2012
	CGI_10022102	CGI_10002999	Zhang, et al. 2012
	CGI_10022487	CGI_10004764	Zhang, et al. 2012
	CGI_10024867	CGI_10007196	Zhang, et al. 2012
	CGI_10024868	CGI_10007856	Zhang, et al. 2012
	CGI_10024869	CGI_10007857	Zhang, et al. 2012
	CGI_10024870	CGI_10008618	Zhang, et al. 2012
	CGI_10026598	CGI_10017246	Zhang, et al. 2012
	CGI_10026599	CGI_10022781	Zhang, et al. 2012
	CGI_10026600	CGI_10023604	Zhang, et al. 2012
	CGI_10026601	CGI_10023605	Zhang, et al. 2012
	CGI_10026602	CGI_10023816	Zhang, et al. 2012
	CGI_10026603	CGI_10024502	Zhang, et al. 2012
	CGI_10026604	CGI_10027871	Zhang, et al. 2012
	CGI_10026605	CGI_10028163	Zhang, et al. 2012
	CGI_10026762		Zhang, et al. 2012
Genome of <i>P. fucata</i>	pfu_aug2.0_11054.1_16443.t1	pfu_aug2.0_2312.1_08823.t1	Takeuchi, et al. 2016
	pfu_aug2.0_1382.1_08349.t1	pfu_aug2.0_25.1_16729.t1	Takeuchi, et al. 2016
	pfu_aug2.0_14217.1_26475.t1	pfu_aug2.0_2583.1_12215.t1	Takeuchi, et al. 2016
	pfu_aug2.0_1660.1_01750.t1	pfu_aug2.0_32.1_06783.t1	Takeuchi, et al. 2016
	pfu_aug2.0_1664.1_15180.t1	pfu_aug2.0_4334.1_15958.t1	Takeuchi, et al. 2016
	pfu_aug2.0_1921.1_05318.t1	pfu_aug2.0_6.1_20027.t1	Takeuchi, et al. 2016
	pfu_aug2.0_194.1_13761.t1	pfu_aug2.0_6.1_20028.t1	Takeuchi, et al. 2016
	pfu_aug2.0_194.1_13762.t1	pfu_aug2.0_629.1_31002.t1	Takeuchi, et al. 2016
	pfu_aug2.0_194.1_13763.t1	pfu_aug2.0_63.1_10205.t2	Takeuchi, et al. 2016
	pfu_aug2.0_194.1_13766.t1		Takeuchi, et al. 2016
	pfu_aug2.0_21.1_03434.t1		Takeuchi, et al. 2016
	pfu_aug2.0_21.1_03435.t1		Takeuchi, et al. 2016
	pfu_aug2.0_2404.1_15511.t1		Takeuchi, et al. 2016
	pfu_aug2.0_2934.1_15667.t1		Takeuchi, et al. 2016
	pfu_aug2.0_3570.1_02442.t1		Takeuchi, et al. 2016
	pfu_aug2.0_620.1_00959.t1		Takeuchi, et al. 2016
	pfu_aug2.0_70.1_00174.t1		Takeuchi, et al. 2016
	pfu_aug2.0_84.1_13566.t1		Takeuchi, et al. 2016
	pfu_aug2.0_84.1_13567.t1		Takeuchi, et al. 2016

Question mark indicates if the gene is a SMP is questionable.

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## Chapter 4 Exploration of performing functional analysis of shell

### matrix proteins via transgenic molluscs

**Key words:** transgenic, shell matrix protein (SMP), electroporation, CRISPR/Cas9, *SPARC*.

#### 4.1 Introduction

With the benefits of new techniques such as high-resolution transmission electron microscopy and next-generation DNA sequencing, current researchers on molluscan biomineralization appear to be enthusiastic with the characterization of the nanostructures of the shells and identification of an increasing number of shell matrix proteins. It is generally conceded an opinion that the shell matrix is where biomineralization occurs, and the main components of which, proteins, glycoproteins, acidic polysaccharides control this dynamic process. However, questions such as exactly which gene product or gene products control the transforming of the calcium carbonate polymorphs between calcite and aragonite (Suzuki, et al. 2009; Takeuchi, et al. 2008), or one of the most intriguing phenomenon in nature, and how the fine aragonitic microstructure of prodissoconch change abruptly to relatively coarse prismatic and foliated calcitic microstructures in the dissoconch (juvenile-adult shell) (Carriker 1979; Waller 1981) are still not explicitly answered.

Genetic transformations aiming at knock-out and knock-in of certain shell protein genes could be a powerful strategy to address these problems. Nevertheless, although integration of new traits has been widely investigated in mammals and fish, only a few similar studies have been undertaken on invertebrates, and even less on molluscs. Gene transformation has been reported in abalones via electroporation into the embryos of the red abalone *Haliotis rufescens* (Powers, et al. 1995) and using sperm as carrier via electroporation in the Japanese abalone *Haliotis diversicolor* (Tsai, et al. 1997). Gene transfer has been reported in the Pacific oyster *Crassostrea gigas*, by



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particle bombardment into the embryos (Cadoret, et al. 1997a) and microinjection into fertilized eggs (Cadoret, et al. 1997b). Transgenic antibiotic resistant embryos of the Eastern oyster *Crassostrea virginica* were produced by electroporation and chemical transfection (Buchanan, et al. 2001).

Considering the small sizes of the eggs of the pearl oysters, typical macro-prismatic mollusc, used in this study, two foreign DNA delivery methods, i.e., electroporation and chemical transfection were tested on the fertilized eggs of the pearl oyster *Pinctada fucata*. As foreign DNAs, *green fluorescent protein (GFP)* expression plasmids integrated with an endogenous *beta-tubulin* promoter or an exogenous *heat-shock* protein promoter of the fruit fly *Drosophila melanogaster* were tested. Foreign DNAs were detected within the total DNA extraction of embryos after transfection with either method, which indicated the effectiveness of the delivery of DNAs. However, fluorescent individuals could not be observed under microscope, which suggested some failures in the promoter sequences or the incompatibility of the codon usage of *GFP* that is not optimized for molluscs.

Instead of spending time on the hard work of traditional gene-targeting method, designer nucleases (ZFN and TALEN) have been applied to various organisms to direct site-specific DNA double-strand breaks (DSBs) in the coding region of a target gene (Beumer, et al. 2013; Sakuma, et al. 2013). Nonhomologous end joining (NHEJ) repair after the DSBs at the cut site lead to shift-frame mutations of the target gene. For both ZFN and TALEN, generation of the modules that recognize the target chromosomal site can be a significant investment. Recently, clustered, regularly interspaced short, palindromic repeats (CRISPR) technology combined with RNA-guided Cas9 nuclease changed this situation. This tool originated from bacterial defense mechanisms has been successfully introduced into various model and non-model systems, including mouse (Wang, et al. 2013a), human (Cong, et al. 2013), zebrafish (Hwang, et al. 2013), *Xenopus* (Blitz, et al. 2013), nematode (Friedland, et al. 2013), *Drosophila* (Gratz, et al. 2013) and the mollusc *Crepidula fornicata* (Perry

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and Henry 2015). ZEN and TALEN utilize a nuclease designed for each target site, while in CRISPR/Cas9, the nuclease domain of Cas9 is guided to the target site by a small RNA construct (gRNA). Therefore, different sites can be targeted by simply modifying the gRNA without modifying the nuclease.

SPARC (Osteonectin), was identified to be a major protein in the acid-soluble shell matrix proteome and a minor component in the acid-insoluble fraction in the limpet *Lottia gigantea* (Mann, et al. 2012). Homologous proteins were identified in *Haliotis discus* and *Pinctada fucata* (H. Miyamoto and F. Asada, unpublished, UniprotKB/TrEMBL accessions F2Z9K1\_PINFU and F2Z9K2\_HALDI). Regulatory roles of SPARC in some biomineralization processes of mammals have been reported (Wallin, et al. 2001), while whether or not it possesses similar functions in molluscs is unknown.

As a hopeful way for generating transgenic molluscs, and also as a trial for a direct in vivo functional analysis of shell proteins, CRISPR/Cas9 gene editing technique was applied to an SMP gene of limpets, for which delivery of foreign DNA to embryos is known to be possible through microinjections. In this study, first, the SPARC gene of the limpet *Nipponacmea fuscoviridis* was characterized, and its expression in the larval stage was confirmed. Next, Cas9-coding RNA and gRNA targeted on the SPARC (Osteonectin) gene of *N. fuscoviridis* produced by *in vitro* transcription were microinjected into the fertilized eggs of *N. fuscoviridis*. Several merits of this study can be expected compared with the former way of generating transgenic lineage of *P. fucata*: 1, the bigger size of the eggs of *N. fuscoviridis* make the microinjection feasible, thus the delivery of DNA can be visually confirmed. 2, directly applying the Cas9-coding RNA and gRNA avoids the problems caused by the promoters. 3, fertilized eggs are more accessible compared with *P. fucata*, whose mating season is restricted to April-July. *N. fuscoviridis* has a longer breeding season (April-June and September to November). Also, the adult animals are easier to be reared in the laboratory.

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## 4.2 Materials and methods

### 4.2.1 Artificial fertilization

The pearl oyster, *Pinctada fucata*, was a gift from Mikimoto Pearl Research Institute. The oyster, *Crassostrea gigas*, was purchased at local fish market, Yoshiike. The artificial fertilization of both species followed the same protocol. The female and the male were separately cultured in aquarium with artificial sea water at 22 °C and 18 °C, respectively. On the day of artificial fertilization, the gonad of the female is firstly removed to a piece of clean gauze (15 cm \* 15 cm). After being cut into several pieces, the gonad wrapped in gauze was immerced into 500 mL ammonia filtered artificial sea water (FASW; 25 °C) containing in a ratio of 0.75 ml 1M ammonia in 1 L FASW, with shaking to release eggs, then, left for 40 min till the germinal vesicles were destroyed. The sperm was obtained from the male gonads, and then was added into ammonia FASW as above for 5 min to be activated. Next, 500 mL FASW containing the egg without germinal vesicle was mixed with 100 mL FASW containing the active sperm for 5 min. Being collected in 20 N nylon net, the fertilized egg were washed to remove the sperm and were incubated in 20 L FASW at 24 °C for 7 h. Trochophore stage larvae that were floating on the surface of the water were collected and were incubated in 20 L FASW at 24~26 °C overnight. About 24 h after fertilization, the successfully fertilized eggs that turned into D-shape larva were collected and incubated in FASW at a density of 10 individual/mL at 24~26 °C for further study.

The marine gastropod *Nipponacmea fuscoviridis* was captured from a rocky shore intertidal locality in Hiraiso kaigan, Oarai, Ibaraki Prefecture, Japan, during mating periods from April to July and from September to November. Artificial fertilization was performed following the previous method (Deguchi 2007). Embryos were cultured in FASW at 25 °C.

### 4.2.2 Cloning of $\beta$ -tubulin and heat-shock protein promoters into the GFP

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## expression plasmid

A 3.2 kb nucleotide sequence before the start codon of beta-tubulin gene located on the scaffold7719.1|size90101 (Pearl oyster genome, v 1.0) was cloned into the plasmid pSP-nEGFP (a gift from Prof. Sasakura, Shimoda Marine Research Center, University of Tsukuba) to generate the GFP expression plasmid containing the pearl oyster promoter, pBTGFP. The promoter sequence was tailed with NotI restriction enzyme site at either side by PCR amplification. The genomic DNA extracted by CTAB method (Fisher and Skibinski 1990) from the muscle of *P. fucata* was used as the template. PCR amplification catalyzed by PrimeSTAR<sup>®</sup> GXL DNA Polymerase (Takara Inc.), consisted of 40 cycles of 98 °C for 10 s, 63 °C for 15 s and 68 °C for 4.5 min. Primers NotIBTNotI S (ATTTGCGGCCCGCCCTTGTC AATCAATAGGGTTCATCC) and NotIBTNotI A (ATTTGCGGCCCGCTTGTC GTCGGCGTTTCTCTTTGCTGT) were designed based on the complementary sequences flanking the promoter region in the scaffold7719.1|size90101. Both the PCR product and the plasmid pSP-nEGFP were digested by restriction enzyme NotI. The linearized plasmid was treated with phosphatase in order to prevent self-ligation. Next, the promoter and the plasmid were ligated in Ligation Mix (Takara, Inc.) at 4 °C overnight, and then were transfected into the *E. coli* DH5 competent cell. Colonies were picked as the template for PCR amplification to confirm the insertion with the primer BT to psp-eGFP S (TCGAGCAGCTGAAGCTTGCATGCCT) and BT to psp-eGFP A (GTCATTTTTTCTGAGCGCCGTACCC), which were designed based on the sequence of the plasmid psp-nEGFP. PCR catalyzed by PrimeSTAR<sup>®</sup> GXL DNA Polymerase (Takara Inc.), consisted of 40 cycles of 98 °C for 10 s, 62 °C for 15 s and 68 °C for 5 min. The PCR product was sequenced to confirm successful insertion of the promoter sequence.

A heat-shock protein promoter was also cloned into the GFP expression plasmid, which generated the plasmid, pHsp70eGFP. BamHI restriction enzyme sites tailed specific PCR primers, BamHIhsp70pro S (1-21,

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GCAATCGGATCCATCCCCCTAGAATCCCAAAC) and BamHIhsp70pro A (572-592, GCAATCGGATCCCTGCTGGGACTCCGTGGATAC). The template was the plasmid pBS-Hsp70-Cas9. PCR was catalyzed by Extaq DNA polymerase (Takara, Inc.), consisted of 25 cycles of 94 °C for 40 s, 65 °C for 45 s and 72 °C for 1 min. The PCR product, or the heat-shock protein promoter sequence tailed by BamHI sites, was purified by ethanol precipitation. Both this promoter sequence and the plasmid pSP-nEGFP were digested by the restriction enzyme BamHI and ligated in Ligation Mix (Takara, Inc.) overnight, and then transfected into *E. coli*. To identify the colony carrying the plasmid pHsp70eGFP, colonies were picked as the template for PCR amplification. PCR performed with Extaq DNA polymerase (Takara, Inc.) consisted of 25 cycles of 94 °C for 40 s, 60 °C for 45 s and 72 °C for 2 min. Primers, Insert-to-eGFP S (3397-3416, AAATAGGCGTATCACGAGGC) and Insert-to-eGFP A (550-569, CGTTGTGGCTGTTGTAGTTG), were designed based on the sequence of the plasmid pSP-nEGFP. The PCR product was purified and sequenced to verify successful ligation of the insert. The *E. coli* carrying the pHsp70eGFP was cultured before the plasmid was purified by GenElute™ Plasmid Miniprep Kit (SIGMA-ALDRICH, Inc.).

#### **4.2.3 Introduction of foreign DNA into the embryo**

Electroporation was performed following the previous method (Buchanan, et al. 2001). Three hours after fertilization, about 10,000 embryos were collected in 0.8 mL FASW with 60 µg DNA in 0.4-cm electroporation cuvettes (Bio-Rad Laboratories, Inc.). The cuvette containing embryos was set in a Gene Pulser Xcell™ Electroporation System (Bio-Rad Laboratories, Inc.), which generates an exponential decay-type electrical field. In accordance with the instruction manual, a time constant protocol was applied, in which the electrical field strength was reported as a time constant,  $\tau$ , which means the length of time for the electrical field to decay about 37% (1/e). Since  $\tau$  equals resistance multiplied by capacitance, for a sample whose resistance is settled, raising the capacitance raises the electrical field duration. To evaluate the breakage ratios of embryos under the electrical field duration, different

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capacitance values of 10, 25, 50, 75 and 100  $\mu\text{F}$ , each at 200, 260, 300 V, were tested. Embryos mixed with DNA without pulse were taken as control. After the pulse, embryos were cultured with DNA in 24-well plate for 1 h, and then were transferred into 10 cm shell plates for incubation at room temperature. All treatments were performed in triplicate.

To measure the embryo breakage ratios after electroporation, 0.4 mL embryos after pulse were pipetted into 12-well plate with 1 mL FASW. Three figures of random areas of each sample were taken by VHX-900 digital microscope (Keyence, Inc.). Numbers of the broken and the normal embryo were counted. Two hours later, embryos were transferred to 40 mL FASW in 50 mL tube at 25 °C for further incubation.

#### **4.2.4 Chemically mediated transfection on embryos**

Chemical transfection was performed following the previous method (Buchanan, et al. 2001). At thirty minutes and at three hours after fertilization, about 2,500 embryos of *P. fucata* were collected in 24-well tissue culture plate, respectively. Plasmid pHsp70eGFP was diluted in oyster saline solution (0.48 g/L  $\text{CaCl}_2$ , 1.45 g/L  $\text{MgSO}_4$ , 2.18 g/L  $\text{MgCl}_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , 0.31 g/L KCl, 11.61 g/L NaCl, 0.35 g/L  $\text{NaHCO}_3$ ). To test the transfection effect, 100 $\mu\text{l}$  of DNA and SuperFect (Qiagen, Inc.) with DNA-to-SuperFect ratios of 1:3, 1:6, 1:9 ( $\mu\text{g}/\mu\text{l}$ ) with 2.5 or 5 $\mu\text{g}$  DNA were prepared and incubated for 10 min at 25 °C according to the manual. Then, embryos were transferred to a well with fresh FASW for further incubation. Control groups are embryos mixed with 2.5 $\mu\text{g}$  and 5 $\mu\text{g}$  DNA alone per well.

#### **4.2.5 Examination of transfection effect**

To extract the total DNA of the embryos after transfection treatments, 20 embryos of each group were collected in 20 N nylon net and washed with fresh FASW for 10 times to remove the free DNA in the environment. Then, total DNA was extracted following the forensic DNA extraction method (Edwards and HoY 1993). The

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extracted DNA was applied as the template for PCR catalyzed by Extaq DNA polymerase (Takara, Inc.), consisting of 30 cycles of 94 °C for 40 s, 60 °C for 1 min and 72 °C for 2 min. Specific primers GFP confirm S: 187-206, AAACGGCCACAAGTTCAGCG and GFP confirm A: 756-775, CATGTGATCGCGCTTCTCGT are designed based on the sequence of psp-nEGFP. For the positive control group of PCR, plasmid pHsp70eGFP construct was used as the template. For the negative control, eggs accepting no pulse were cultured with the DNA for 1h, being washed to remove the free DNA. Then the total DNA was extracted to be used as the template for PCR.

#### **4.2.6 Characterization of the SPARC gene of *Nipponacmea fuscoviridis***

To identify potential target sequences within the SPARC gene for CRISPR/Cas9, touchdown PCR amplification was performed. cDNAs synthesized from the mRNA extracted from the veliger stage embryos and the mantle edge of the adult *N. fuscoviridis* were applied as the template for PCR. Mix primers, Sparc F1 (ATGMGNAARTGGATHGTNGC), Sparc F2 (ATGMGNAARACNATHGTNGC), Sparc R1 (ARRCARTGYTCCMWNGCYTT), and Sparc R2 (AGGAAGGGMACRAGRCAGTG) were designed based on the alignment of the amino acid sequences of SPARC gene among the three marine gastropod species, *Haliotis discus*, *Patella vulgate* and *Lottia gigantea* (Fig. 4.1). Touchdown PCR, catalyzed by Extaq DNA polymerase (Takara Inc.), consisted of 2 cycles of 94 °C for 1 min, 60 °C (ramped to 46 °C) for 1 min and 72 °C for 1 min and 28 cycles of 94 °C for 1 min, 45 °C for 1 min and 72 °C for 2 min. PCR products were sequenced (Fig. 4.2A).

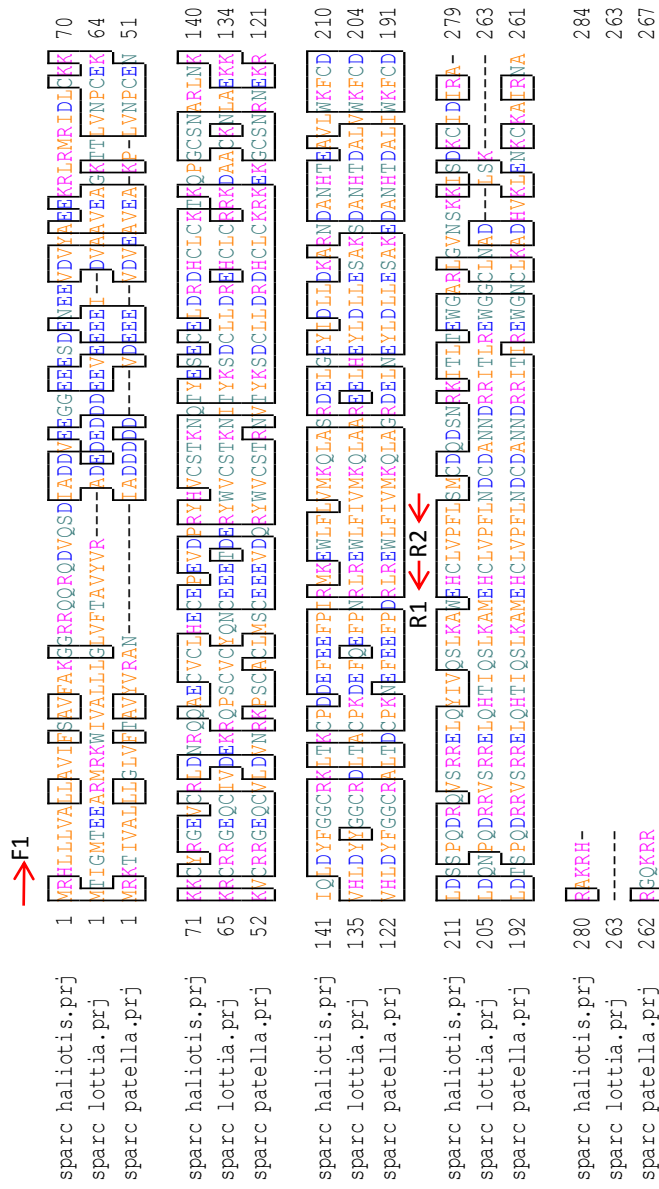


Fig. 4.1 Alignment of the amino acid sequence of SPARC gene of marine gastropod. Arches indicate the position for mix primers.



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PCR by mix primers



A B

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A 1 -----CCTTGAATGGTTCTACGCASTCTA
B 1 GTTTTTCITTATGGGGGAAAAAGTATAGTGGCTTTGTTATTAGGAC--TGSTTTTACAGC--SICTA

A 25 TGTCCGGGCTGCCAAGATGACGAAGACGAAGAAGAAATAGAAGAAGAGATTGATGTTACTGCTGTT
B 67 TGTCCGGGCTGCCAAGATGACGAAGACGAAGAAGAAATAGAAGAAGAGATTGATGTTACTGCTGTT

A 95 GAAGCTAGTAAAAACACACTCGTCAATCCATGCGAGAAAGAAAAGATGTCGTCGTTGGTGGCAGTGTATAG
B 137 GAAGCTAGTAAAAACACACTCGTCAATCCATGCGAGAAAGAAAAGATGTCGTCGTTGGTGGCAGTGTATAG

A 165 TGGATGAGAAACGTCAGCCITCTTGTGCTGCTACCAAACTGTGAACAGGAACTGACGAAAGATACTG
B 207 TGGATGAGAAACGTCAGCCITCTTGTGCTGCTACCAAACTGTGAACAGGAACTGACGAAAGATACTG

A 235 GGTITGTAGCACTAAGAACGTTACTTATAAAAGCGACTGTCTGTTAGATAGAGAACATTGCTCTGTAGA
B 277 GGTITGTAGCACTAAGAACGTTACTTATAAAAGCGACTGTCTGTTAGATAGAGAACATTGCTCTGTAGA
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44F2 365 AITTTAATTCGCCCTATGAGA-TAACTTTCITTTTATTTTCAGATCCATGCGAGAAGAAAAGATGTCGTCG 433
44F3 490 GITTCITTTCCCTCAATGAGATATCTTTCITCTTATTTTCAGATCCATGCGAGAAGAAAAGATGTCGTCG 559
44F4 364 AITTCITTTTCCCCCAATGAGATAAATTTCTTCTTGTTCAGATCCATGCGAGAAGAAAAGATGTCGTCG 433

44F2 434 TGGGAGCAGTGTATAGTGGATGAGAAACGTCAGCCATCTTGTGCTGCTACCAAACTGTGAACAGGAA 503
44F3 560 TGGTGGCAGTGTATAGTGGATGAGAAACGTCAGCCATCTTGTGCTGCTACCAAACTGTGAACAGGAA 629
44F4 434 TGGTGGCAGTGTATAGTGGATGAGAAACGTCAGCCATCTTGTGCTGCTACCAAACTGTGAACAGGAA 503

44F2 504 ACTGACGAAAGATAAGS--- 520
44F3 630 ACTGACGAAAGATAAGCGAA- 648
44F4 504 ACTGACGAAAGATAAGSAACT 523
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Fig. 4.2 Characterization of SPARC gene of *N. fuscoviridis*. A. Coding sequence of SPARC gene. B. Genomic DNA sequence of N-terminal region of SPARC gene. Purple and yellow line indicate the target sequence and 'PAM' sequence, respectively.

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PCR amplification was performed to characterize the sequence of SPARC gene of the genomic DNA. The template was the genomic DNA extracted via CTAB method (ref.) from the muscle of three adult individuals of *N. fuscoviridis*. Primers Fdc 4 (CTAGTAAAAACACACTCGTC) and Rdc 4 (ATCTTTCGTCAGTTTCCTGT) were designed based on the coding sequence of SPARC gene of *N. fuscoviridis*. PCR catalyzed with PrimeSTAR<sup>®</sup> GXL DNA Polymerase (Takara Inc.) consisted of 28 cycles of 98 °C for 10 s, 48 °C for 15 s and 68 °C for 5 min. The PCR products were sequenced (Fig. 4.2B).

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#### 4.2.7 Generation of gRNA containing plasmid pU6-BbsI-chiRNA-SPARC

Plasmids pBS-Hsp70-Cas9, Peft-3::cas9-SV40-NLS::tbb-2 3'UTR and pU6-BbsI-chiRNA were purchased from Addgene (<https://www.addgene.org/>). gRNA coding plasmid targets on the SPARC gene was generated according to the protocol for generating gRNA in the Addgene site (<https://www.addgene.org/>) (Fig. 4.3). The insertion of the targeted gene into the pU6-BbsI-chiRNA was confirmed by PCR amplification using primers M13/pUC-forward (588-610, CCCAGTCACGACGTTGTAAAACG) and M13/pUC-reverse (1325-1347, AGCGGATAACAATTCACACAGG). PCR catalyzed by Extaq DNA polymerase (Takara Inc.) consisted of 28 cycles of 94 °C for 40 s, 60 °C for 1 min and 72 °C for 2 min. The PCR product was purified by ethanol precipitation and sequenced (Fig. 4.3).

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Protocol for generating plasmid pU6-BbsI-chiRNA targeted on SPARC gene

1. Oligos were designed as follows:  
sense oligo: 5' – **CTTCG** (19 nt) – 3'  
antisense oligo: 3' – C (19 nt) **CAAA** – 5'
2. Anneal oligos:  
Oligo were diluted to 100  $\mu$ M in TE buffer. 5  $\mu$ L of both oligos were mixed. Then, the following thermocycler was performed:  
95  $^{\circ}$ C for 5 min, then ramp to 25  $^{\circ}$ C at a rate of -5  $^{\circ}$ C /min.
3. Plasmid pU6-BbsI-chiRNA was cut with restriction enzyme BbsI (Biolabs Inc.) and de-phospharylated.
4. Annealed oligos and plasmid were mixed at ratios of 1 : 1 and 2 : 1 and ligated in Ligation Mix (Takara Inc.) overnight, and then transfected into *E. coli*.
5. Confirmation of successful generation of the plasmid containing targeted gene by PCR amplification and sequencing.



Fig. 4.3 Protocol for cloning the target sequence into the gRNA containing plasmid and verification by PCR amplification. The result of PCR products indicated that all the band were correctly ligated sequence.

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#### 4.2.8 Generation of plasmid Peft-3::cas9 SP6

In order to obtain *Cas9* RNA via *in vitro* transcription, a SP6 promoter was integrated into the *Cas9* coding plasmid, Peft-3::cas9-SV40\_NLS::tbb-2 3'UTR. First, BsrGI restriction enzyme site and SP6 promoter containing oligos, BsrGIsp6 F (GTACAATTTAGGTGACACTATAGAAT) and BsrGIsp6 R (GTACATTCTATAGTGTCACCTAAATT), were annealed through the thermocycler that was applied for generating chiRNA. Next, the annealed oligos were ligated with the plasmid Peft-3::cas9-SV40\_NLS::tbb-2 3'UTR that was cut by the restriction enzyme BsrGI to form plasmid Peft-3::cas9 SP6 (Fig. 4.4B).

#### 4.2.9 *In vitro* transcription

After being digested at the unique restriction enzyme HindIII site, the linearized Peft-3::cas9-SV40\_NLS::tbb-2 3'UTR SP6 was used as the template to synthesize *Cas9* RNA using mMessage mMachine SP6 RNA transcription kit (Life Technologies Inc.). In order to obtain a linearized template for synthesize chiRNA, the target sequence (19 nt) containing pU6-BbsI-chiRNA was applied as the template for PCR amplification. SP6 promoter containing specialized primers, Sp6sparcchiRNA F (GCAATCATTTAGGTGACACTATAGAAGCGGAGAAGAAAAGATGTCGT) and Sp6sparcchiRNA R (TCGATAAAAAGCACCGACTCGGTGCCACTTTTTCAAGTTGATAACG) were applied to the PCR amplification, which consisted of 27 cycles of 94 °C for 40 s, 63 °C for 45 s and 72 °C for 1 min. The PCR product contains a SP6 promoter, the target sequence and a U6 terminator, which was purified and used as the template for *in vitro* transcription via the method mentioned above. Yielded *Cas9* RNA and chiRNA were treated with Turbo DNaseI at 37 °C for 15 min, purified by RNeasy MinElute cleanup kit (Qiagen Inc.), eluted in nuclease-free water. The sequence length of synthesized *Cas9* RNA and chiRNA were confirmed through gel electrophoresis (Figs. 4.4 A and B).

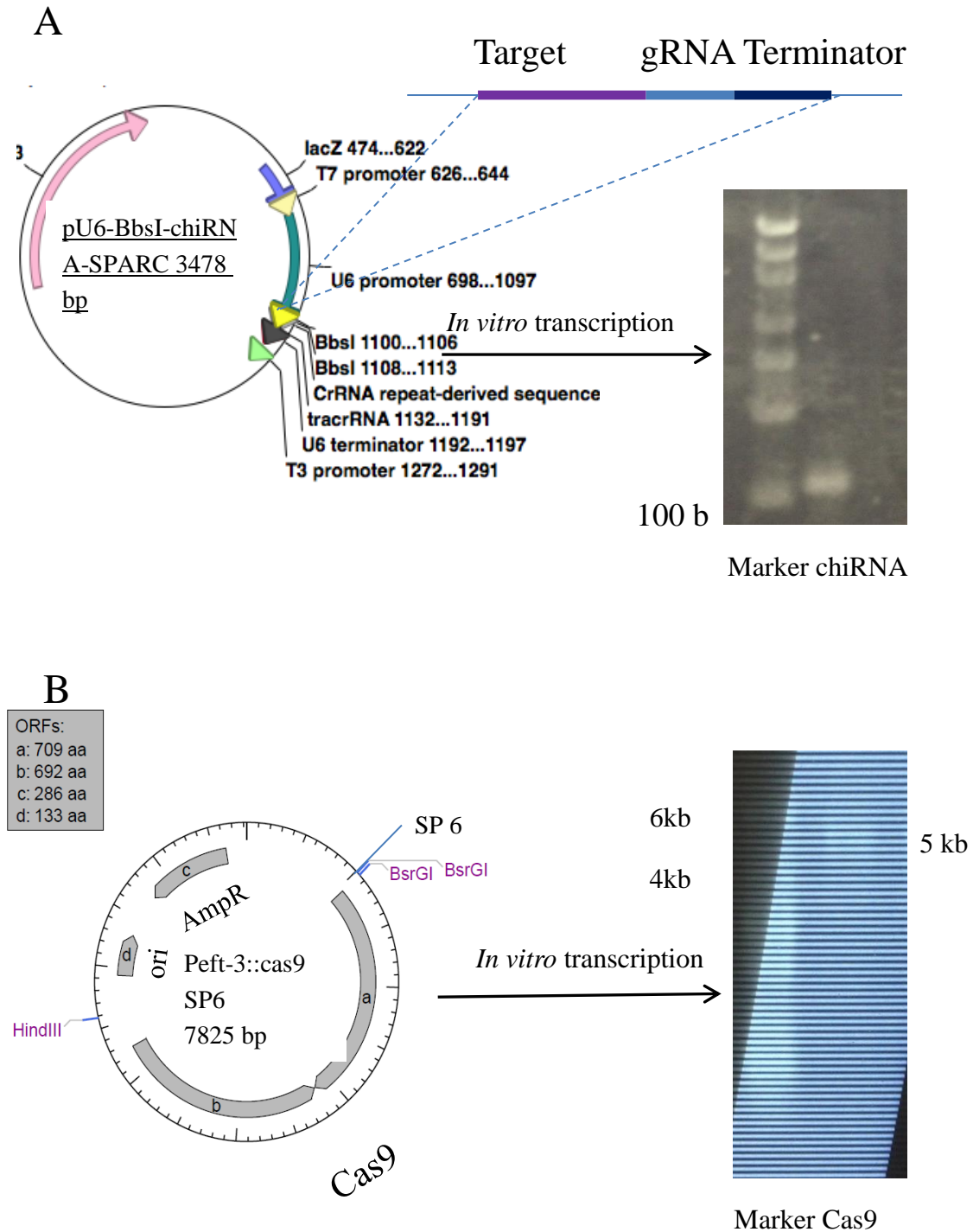


Fig. 4.4 Schematics of CRISPR/Cas9 constructs and electrophoresis images of mRNA of gRNA and *Cas9*. A. The 20 nt targeted sequence was cloned into the gRNA containing plasmid via BbsI restriction enzyme sites. The messenger RNA containing the sequence of the gRNA, the target sequence, and a terminator was obtained. B. A SP6 promoter was inserted before the *Cas9* coding sequence. The messenger RNA of *Cas9* of about 5 kb was

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#### **4.2.10 Microinjection**

Before the first cleavage, fertilized eggs of *N. fuscoviridis* were microinjected with micromanipulators (Narishige, Inc.) and FemtoJet microinjector (Eppendorf, Inc.). To visualize the introduction of the solution into the cell, sterilized filtered 0.5% phenol red solution (Sigma, Life Science) was mixed with RNA solution (1 part phenol red solution to 3 part RNA solution). Final concentrations of *Cas9* RNA and chiRNA in the mixture were 400 ng/μl and 200 ng/μl, respectively. Phenol red solution with either *Cas9* or chiRNA alone was used as control mixture. After microinjection, cells were incubated in FASW at room temperature. Twenty hours after fertilization, larvae were observed under BX51 upright microscope (Olympus).

#### **4.2.11 Examination of the expression of foreign DNA in molluscan larvae**

24 and 48 hour after fertilization, larvae introduced with pBTGFP were examined by Leica MZ10F fluorescent microscope (Leica, microsystems) to check the expression of green fluorescent protein. 24 h after fertilization, larvae introduced with pHsp70eGFP were given with a heat shock at 35-37 °C for 1 h, and then were incubated at room temperature. 48 h and 72 h after fertilization, these larvae were observed under the fluorescent microscope.

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## 4.3 Results

### 4.3.1 Artificial fertilization and larva sustaining in *Pinctada fucata*

Artificial fertilization of *P. fucata* was performed with the previous method (Fujimura, et al. 1995). Early development of fertilization was observed under microscope. Treated by ammonia filtered artificial sea water (FASW), the germinal vesicle of the egg of irregular shape was removed, which accelerated the maturation of eggs for fertilization (Figs. 4.5 A and B). Ammonia FASW also stimulated the activity of the sperm, which was confirmed by the acute motions of the sperms. The first and the second cleavage occurred at 20-30 min and about 1 h after fertilization, respectively (Figs. 4.5 C and D). Six hours after fertilization, the cavity of blastocoel could be observed (Fig. 4.5 E); and the blastula stage embryos began to swim into the surface of the water. Swimming-ciliated trochophore stage larvae were formed 12 h after fertilization (Fig. 4.5 F). Twenty hours after fertilization, early D-shape larva whose soft tissues were covered by the larval shells could be newly observed (Fig. 4.5 G). Forty-eight hours later after fertilization, the cilia of D-shape larva could be observed and the shape of inside organs became clear (Fig. 4.5 H). From 24 h after fertilization, the planktonic diatome *Pavlova lutheri* (Pearl Research Institute, Mikimoto, Japan), was given to the larva at a dose of 500 cell/individual /day as food. The water was changed at the day 6, day 9, day 12, day 15, and day 20 after fertilization. Artificial fertilization and larva sustaining thereafter were repeated more than 3 times. Larvae survived more than three weeks after fertilization without metamorphosis.



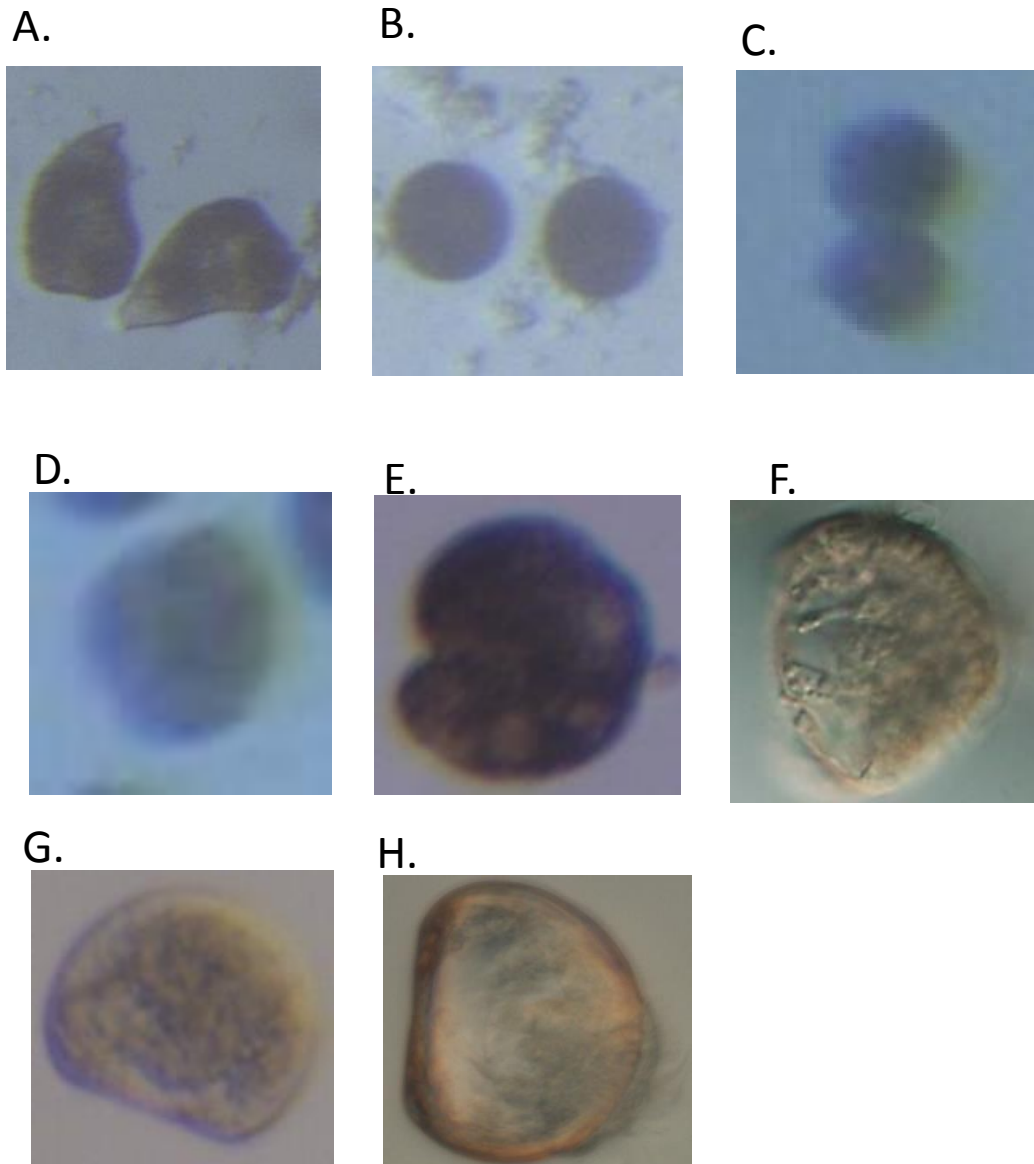


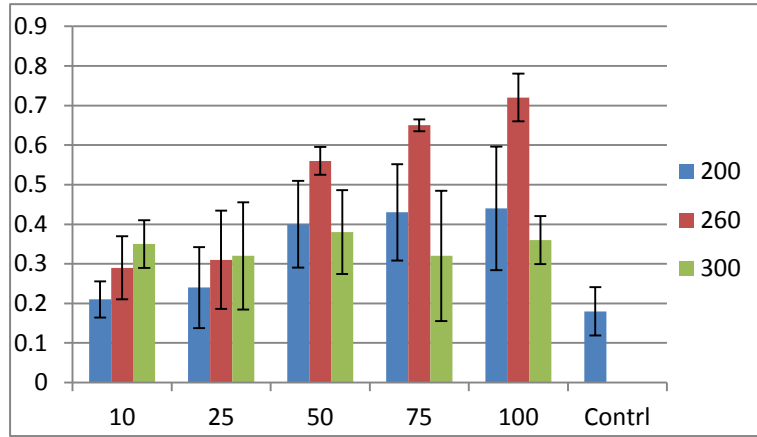
Fig. 4.5 Early embryo development of *P. fucata*. A. Eggs separated from the gonad. B. Germinal vesicle of the egg was removed by incubating with ammonia FASW for 40 min. C. The first cleavage of the egg. D. The second cleavage of the egg. E. Blastula stage of the embryo. F. Trochophore stage of the embryo. G. Early D-shape larva at 20 h after fertilization. H. D-shape larva at 48 h after fertilization.

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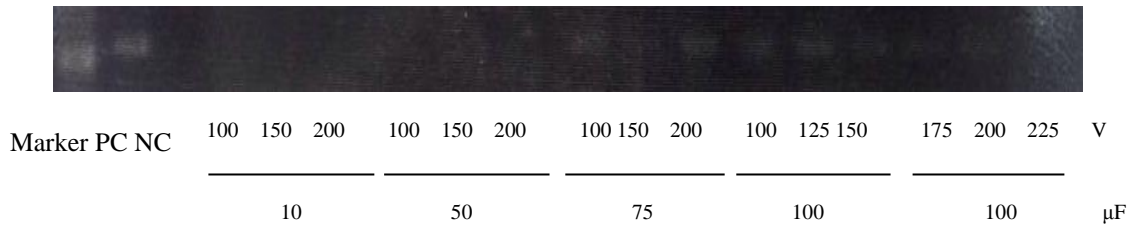
### **4.3.2 Introduction and detection of the foreign DNA in the fertilized eggs of *Pinctada fucata***

Because of the small diameter (about 50  $\mu\text{m}$ ) of the eggs of *P. fucata*, electroporation, rather than microinjection, was performed to introduce foreign DNA. Plasmids pHsp70eGFP and pBTGFP were tested as foreign DNA. The conditions of electroporation followed the previously described method (Buchanan, et al. 2001). The breakage ratios of the eggs were measured to evaluate the effect of electric field imposed to the eggs (Fig. 4.6 A). We noticed that when the breakage ratio exceeded 40%, a large amount of embryos abnormally developed in the following incubation. Meanwhile, in the control group without pulse, about 20% breakage ratio was observed, which possibly resulted from the operation after removing the germinal vesicle. Therefore, we focused on those combinations of capacitance and voltage which generated about 30-40% breakage ratio in the following tests. The foreign DNA was clearly detected via PCR amplification in the D-shape larva 24 h after giving the pulse at 100  $\mu\text{F}$  and 100-200 V, which was confirmed by repeated experiments (Figs. 4.6 B and C). However, fluorescent individuals could not be detected under microscope.

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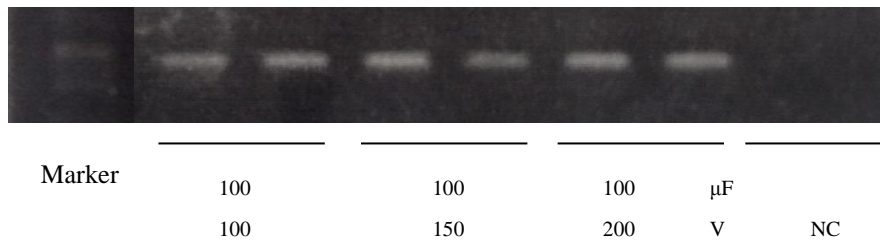


Fig. 4.6 Introduction of the foreign DNA into the egg of *P. fucata* through electroporation. A. The effect of electroporation to the breakage ratio of the fertilized egg. B. The foreign DNA was detected after giving the electric pulse at 75  $\mu$ F and 100  $\mu$ F with the voltage of 100-200 v. PC, positive control. NC, negative control. C. The introduction of foreign DNA was confirmed after the pulse at 100  $\mu$ F and 100-200 v.

### 4.3.3 Chemical mediated transfection

Embryos of *P. fucata* thirty minutes and three hours after fertilization were transfected with SuperFect. Our results indicated that regardless of the ratios between DNA and SuperFect and the stage of embryos, higher levels of transfection effect were detected in the 5 $\mu$ g DNA group than that in the 2.5 $\mu$ g DNA group (Fig. 4.4). Meanwhile, the DNA cannot be detected in the control group in which embryos were cultured with DNA alone. Nevertheless, fluorescent light of the larva could not be detected under microscope.

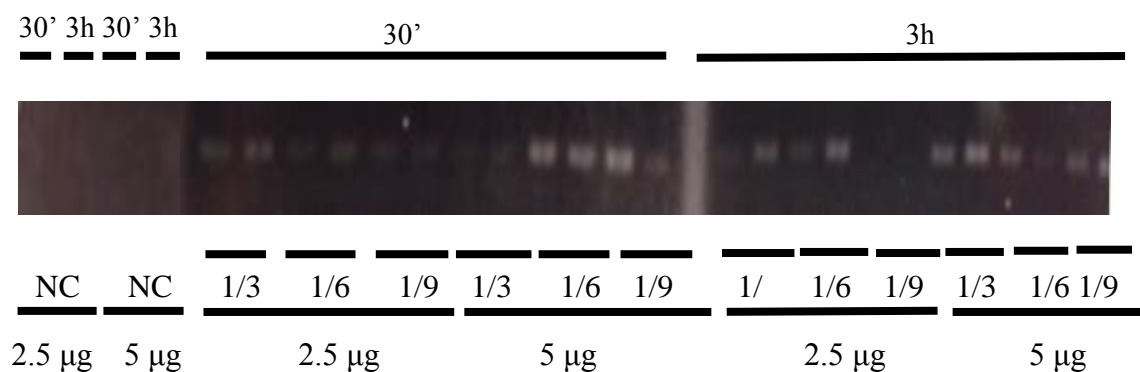


Fig. 4.7 Detection of the foreign DNA after transfection via SuperFect. Thirty minutes and three hours after fertilization, embryos were incubated with different ratios of DNA-SuperFect mixture. 2.5 and 5  $\mu$ g of DNA were tested. NC, negative control groups in which embryos were incubated with DNA alone.

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#### 4.3.4 Identification of the targeted nucleotide sequence for gRNA

One of the shell matrix proteins, SPARC, was selected as the target gene to test the CRISPR/Cas9 effect on the marine gastropod *Nipponacmea fuscoviridis*. The SPARC gene of *N. fuscoviridis* was characterized for the first time in order to search the targeted sequence sites. By PCR amplification with mixed primers designed based on the alignment of the amino acid sequences of the same gene from three marine gastropods *Haliotis discus discus*, *Lottia gigantea*, and *Patella vulgata* (Fig. 4.1), the N-terminal coding sequence of the SPARC gene in *N. fuscoviridis* was identified (Fig. 4.1A). Also, sequence determinations of these PCR products confirmed the coherency of this region being not disturbed by any intron (Fig. 4.1B). Next, a 20 nt sequence followed by a ‘NGG’ was chosen as the target sequence for gRNA. In the end, the messenger RNA of the endonuclease *Cas9* and the gRNA targeting on the SPARC gene were obtained via *in vitro* transcription method (Krieg and Melton 1984) (Fig. 4.4).

#### 4.3.5 Introduction of the CRISPR/Cas9 into the fertilized egg of *N. fuscoviridis*

A mixture of messenger RNA constructs of the endonuclease *Cas9*, the gRNA targeting on the SPARC gene and the phenol red solution was microinjected into the fertilized eggs of *N. fuscoviridis* before the first cell cleavage. As the first trials of microinjection, the introduction of the RNA mixture was confirmed by the color change and the volume inflation of the egg (Fig. 4.8). However, pulling the needle out of the egg was accompanied with an ejection of cytoplasm. Also, a low survival rate after microinjection was observed.

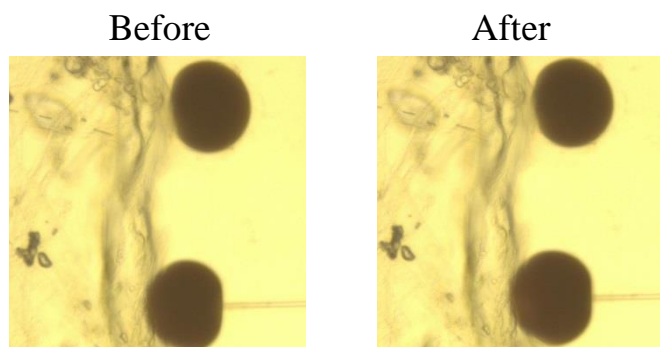


Fig. 4.8 Introduction of CRISPR/Cas9 constructs into the fertilized egg of *N. fuscoviridis*. The delivery of DNA was confirmed by the color and volume change of the cell.

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#### 4.4 Discussion

In order to generate a transgenic molluscan platform to perform the functional analysis of SMPs, artificial fertilization and larva sustaining of *P. fucata* systems were firstly established in the laboratory. The D-shape larva was sustained more than three weeks in our experiment, although the umbonal stage larva observed in previous reports did not form, and infection by microbes occurred to the larva. Thus, the larva generated in these systems can be applied at least to the studies of larval shell formation. Considering the differences between the small scale culturing conditions and the large scale ones applied by previous researches, the frequency of changing water and the quality as well as the dose of the plankton food given to the larva should be further modified to improve the sustaining condition.

Although electroporation has been widely utilized in mammalian cells as well as in bacteria, its effects on the eggs of marine molluscs are still poorly understood. Moreover, the delivery of foreign DNA through electroporation cannot be visually confirmed and the transfection efficiency cannot be determined unlike in the microinjection method. Based on a time constant protocol, combinations of a variety of capacitances and voltages were tested, and relatively effective conditions for introducing the foreign DNA into the egg were identified, which was confirmed by repeated experiments and the following PCR amplifications. Meanwhile, chemical mediated transfection towards the embryos of *P. fucata* seems also effective. However, hitherto the expression of the foreign DNA could not be verified via fluorescent microscope, which might be attributed to several reasons: 1, promoters. There is no previous report of any confirmed effective promoter for expressing foreign DNA in *P. fucata*. Also, because the intrinsic deficiency of the genomic data of *P. fucata*, it is impossible to identify endogenous promoters region from the most commonly used house-keeping genes, such as Elongation factor 1 alpha (EF-1 $\alpha$ ) and Glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate dehydrogenase (GAPDH). Meanwhile, transgenic studies on non-model organisms, such as molluscs, are limited. 2, *GFP*-coding sequence. I applied a *GFP* gene that was proved to be effective in *Ciona intestinalis*. However, it is not

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guaranteed to be expressed correctly in molluscan species. 3, DNA delivery efficiency. Although the delivery of DNA into the embryos by electroporation was confirmed by PCR amplification, it is not certain if the introduced DNA reached the enough amounts to be effective. Therefore, in the future, the experiment can be improved mainly in three ways: 1, other promoters of other house-keeping genes or different regions of the beta-tubulin gene of *P. fucata* should be tested; 2, different nucleotide sequences encoding the GFP gene should be tested; 3, other electroporation conditions should be tested for higher efficiency of DNA delivery.

We characterized the coding sequence of SPARC gene of *N. fuscoviridus* for the first time and successfully generated relevant plasmids and RNA constructs of CRISRP/Cas9. However, before further discussion about the effect of this novel gene knock-out technique on marine molluscs, there are still some works needed to be done concerning microinjections to guarantee that those constructs are delivered to the embryos frequently without causing any side-effects.

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## Chapter 5 General discussion and future perspectives

### 5.1 The first larval shell proteomes

In a first attempt to extract shell matrices from molluscan larval shells, in chapter 2, a total of 111 and 71 SMPs were identified from the larval shells of *C. gigas* and *P. fucata*, respectively. Surprisingly, only four SMPs were shared by the larval and adult shells in each species. Though the BLAST results indicated that Nacrein-like and Pif/BMSP-like proteins are contained in both the larval and adult SMP repertoires in the two species, gene IDs of these protein genes are different between the larval and the adult SMPs, in other words, different homologs of these gene families are used by the larval and the adult shells in each species. Carbohydrate-binding domain 14 (CBM\_14), von Willebrand factor type A (VWA), carbonic anhydrase (CA) and EF-hand domains were identified in both the larval and adult shells of the two species. These observations indicated their probable important roles in the generation of both larval and adult shells in those molluscs. With only a few exceptions, the expression patterns of the transcripts for most of the larval and adult SMPs, including the ones containing those common domains for larval and adult shells, exhibited a larval or adult stage-specific feature. Taken together, these intrinsic differences between the repertoires of SMPs of larval and adult molluscs suggest that the larval SMPs and adult SMPs have evolved independently with each other, and that the larval and adult shells are subjected to different milieux of adaptation.

Despite some domains are shared by larval shells of two species, the larval SMP of the two species are as different as those of their adult counterparts, thus, it proved difficult to test the hypothesis given that the larva may preserve more ancestral features than the adult (Davidson 1990; Davidson, et al. 1995; Peterson, et al. 1997) by comparing the components of the SMP repertoires of larval shells. However, the potential “transitional phase” of heterochronic evolution manifested by the gene



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expression patterns of the transcript for the larval SMP Pfu\_aug2.0\_421.1\_04155.t1 (Chapter 3) points to a possibility that characterizations of the developmental gene networks controlling the formation of larval and adult shells may help to solve this question of antiquity of the larval shells in future.

Compared with those of *P. fucata* (Zhao, et al. 2018), more house-keeping proteins were found in the adult shell of *C. gigas* (Zhang, et al. 2012), a similar condition was observed in the larval shell proteomes, which suggested a higher extent of involvement of cells for the larval shell formation in *C. gigas* than in *P. fucata*, and therefore the cell-mediated shell formation model (Mount, et al. 2004; Wang, et al. 2013b) could be more adequate to explain the shell formation mechanisms than the shell matrix mediated model for both larval and adult shells of *C. gigas*. However, as it was mentioned in Chapter 2, the possibility of contamination of the sample by unremoved soft tissues cannot be totally excluded, despite the fact that soft tissues could not be observed after the NaOH treatment under the microscope. Also, considering the mode of development of the larval shells involving shell gland, it appears difficult to apply the cell-mediated model to the processes of larval shell formation.

## **5.2 Phylogenetic analyses performed on SMPs containing common domains shared by larval and adult shells of two pteriomorph bivalves, *C. gigas* and *P. fucata***

In order to test the previous hypotheses of whether the calcification in molluscs was originated from the ancestral functions or was independently obtained by different metazoan lineages (Marin, et al. 2007), in Chapter 3, phylogenetic analyses were performed to the common proteins shared by both the larval and adult shells in the two pteriomorph species, *C. gigas* and *P. fucata* (Zhao, et al. 2018). The results indicated that at least the carbonic anhydrase (CA) proteins were recruited to the shell much more recently than expected. As the hydrolytic enzyme of carbon dioxide in the equation,  $\text{CO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{HCO}_3^- + \text{H}^+$ , CA is important for providing  $\text{HCO}_3^-$  that reacts

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with  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  to form  $\text{CaCO}_3$ . It is well expanded in molluscan species as well as in other metazoan taxa, which bear calcium carbonate skeletons (Zhao, et al. 2018). Therefore, it is surprising to see that after the speciation of the ancestors of *C. gigas* and *P. fucata*, a single CA gene, which may have or may not have encoded an SMP, gave rise to multiple copies of CA genes in each lineage, and some of them were deployed as adult SMPs, while others were deployed as larval SMPs in each lineage independently. Therefore, although CA was once taken as an evidence to support the “ancient heritage” scenario of the origin of calcification of molluscs (Marin, et al. 2007), it turned out to support the “recent heritage and fast evolution” scenario (Marin, et al. 2007) based on the results obtained in this study.

In Chapter 3, phylogenetic analyses performed on the VWA, CB and Laminin G domains of VWA-CB dcps indicated that BMSPs and other VWA-CB dcps were recruited to the shell of the common ancestor of bivalves and gastropods before the divergence, which is a different conclusion to the history of domain duplications in BMSPs previously published by Suzuki, et al. 2013.

EF-hand domain-containing proteins, CGI\_10012241 and pfu\_aug2.0\_3796.1\_22455.t1, are also shared by the larval shells of the two bivalve species, both of which are not identical to any previously reported protein (Zhao, et al. 2018) and both exhibited explicitly larval stage-specific expression patterns (Fig. 2.6). Although data are not shown, a signal peptide was found in CGI\_10012241, but not in pfu\_aug2.0\_3796.1\_22455.t1, a fact which indicates that at least the former is a secreted protein. EF-hand proteins were reported to be expressed specially by the cells of mineralization-related tissues and to concentrate calcium ions, therefore are thought to play important roles in the regulation of shell formation (Huang, et al. 2007; Liu, et al. 2007). Similar functions of these proteins in the larval shell can be expected.

Family 20 chitobiase, Pfu\_aug2.0\_6.1\_20027.t1 was found in the larval shell of *P.*

*fucata* (Zhao, et al. 2018), and later, CGI\_10007856 was suggested to be a chitobiase candidate in the larval shell of *C. gigas* (Chapter 3). It is curious that no Family 18 chitinase was identified from the larval shells of either species, because chitobiasis cannot work without chitinases (Suzuki, et al. 2007). The expression patterns of transcripts show a strong expression at the stages later than the blastula stage of Family 18 chitinase, or CGI\_10026605, which is the adult SMP with Glyco\_18 domain (IPR011583) in *C. gigas*, and a detectable expression of pfu\_aug2.0\_194.1\_13763.t1, one of the adult SMPs with a Glyco\_18 domain (IPR011583) in *P. fucata* at the trochophore stage (as well as at the stage between the 4 cells and blastula stages and at the adult stage), respectively (Figs. 5.1 A and B). Those observations suggest that SMPs of Family 18 chitinases possibly exist in larval shells, but have not been detected.

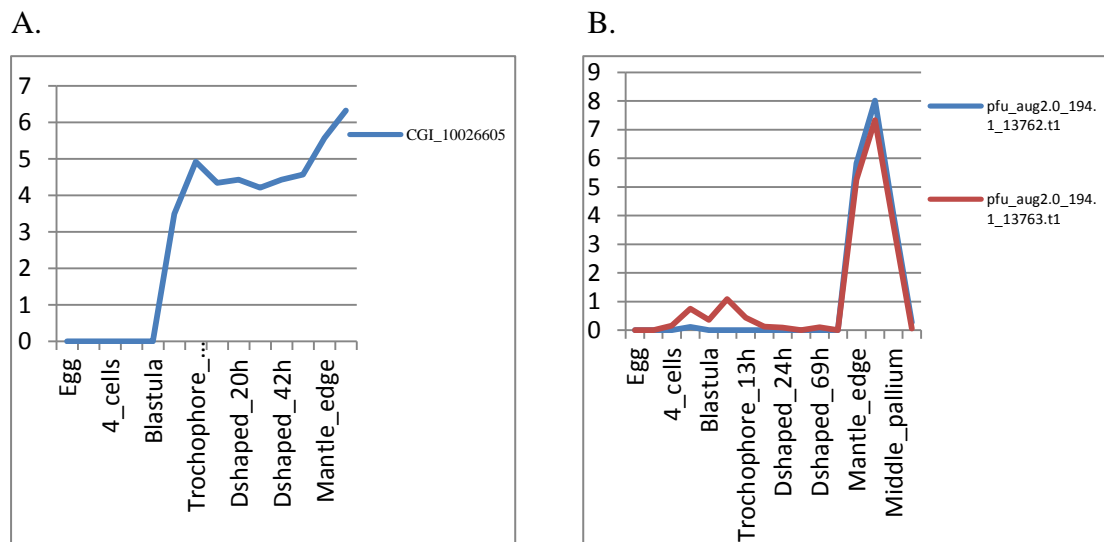


Fig. 5.1. Expression pattern of adult SMPs containing Glyco\_18 domain (IPR011583) in *C. gigas* and *P. fucata*, respectively. CGI\_10026605 (A). pfu\_aug2.0\_194.1\_13762.t1 and pfu\_aug2.0\_194.1\_13763.t1 (B) based on transcriptomic and proteomic data (Takeuchi, et al. 2012; Takeuchi, et al. 2016; Zhang, et al. 2012; Zhao, et al. 2018).

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### 5.3 Trials on generating transgenic molluscan lineages

In chapter 4, electroporation and chemical mediated transfection were tested on the fertilized egg of *P. fucata* in an attempt to introduce *GFP*-coding plasmids, and the successful introduction was demonstrated by PCR amplification. However, fluorescent embryos were not detected after the transfection treatments. On the other hand, constructs of CRISPR/Cas9 that target on the SPARC gene of *Nipponacmea fuscoviridus* were generated and introduced into the fertilized eggs. But until now, no positive results of successful introduction of the constructs have been obtained. Next, in order to obtain the expression of *GFP*, different plasmids containing other promoters and different *GFP*-coding sequences based on the codon usage of *P. fucata* will be tested. Also, the delivery of CRISPR/Cas9 constructs into fertilized eggs of *N. fuscoviridus* will be continued.

### 5. 4 Future perspectives

With the help of the combination of proteomic, genomic, and transcriptomic techniques, my study revealed that the larval and adult molluscan shells are controlled by distinct gene repertoires and have different recruitment histories of SMPs. Some parts of these conclusions are far beyond the general expectations. However, just like many other researches of molluscan SMPs, this study is restricted to the commercial species of only two pteriomorph bivalves, the oyster *C. gigas* and the pearl oyster *P. fucata*. Our knowledge about the larval SMPs of other molluscan species is still poor. In the future, different groups of molluscs, such as the gastropods, should be included in the larval shell proteome project, though the study might be impeded by the size of molluscan larval shells. More comprehensive information on the larval SMPs from the systematic sampling will definitely add to our understanding of the whole processes of shell formation and help us date back to the origin of this physiologically controlled mineralization with fine and diverse structures.

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In the project of functional analyses of SMPs via transgenic molluscs, no conclusive results have been gained at this moment. However, I still have obtained some promising data. In the next step, different *GFP*-coding sequences and promoters need to be tested. Also, the distinct gene repertoires of the larval SMPs, one of the most important knowledge obtained from chapter 2 of this study, should be taken into consideration, for example, as a reference for selecting the target to perform CRISPR/Cas9 gene knockout.

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Appendix I. Detailed information of peptides used for the identification of larval shell matrix proteins in *C. gigas*.

SMPs of <i>C. gigas</i>			Soluble					Insoluble						
Accession	ΣCoverage	Z# Proteins	Z# Unique Peptides	Z# Peptides	Z# PSMs	Coverage A2	# Peptides A2	# PSM A2	Coverage B2	# Peptides B2	# PSM B2	# AAs	MW [kDa]	calc. pI
TRINITY_DN11263_c0_g1_i1	69.16	1	23	23	408	30.84	4	5	69.16	23	403	107	11.9	11.34
TRINITY_DN27156_c0_g1_i1	41.61	3	13	16	101	8.03	3	4	41.61	16	97	137	15.5	11.37
TRINITY_DN9130_c0_g2_i1	41.67	1	12	16	89	5.45	3	3	41.67	16	86	312	36.0	8.27
TRINITY_DN10003_c0_g1_i1	35.29	1	13	14	81	29.41	12	39	35.29	14	42	136	14.8	9.25
TRINITY_DN7741_c0_g1_i1	17.11	4	7	9	73	2.19	1	1	17.11	9	72	456	51.2	4.93
TRINITY_DN30273_c0_g1_i1	63.37	1	7	10	66				63.37	10	66	101	12.5	9.98
TRINITY_DN25821_c0_g1_i1	59.56	1	8	14	61	6.62	1	1	59.56	14	60	136	15.0	10.49
TRINITY_DN6144_c0_g1_i1	49.62	1	17	22	58	6.44	2	3	49.62	22	55	264	30.3	10.39
TRINITY_DN7858_c0_g1_i1	28.61	1	9	11	56				28.61	11	56	416	48.0	4.94
TRINITY_DN5856_c0_g1_i1	47.01	4	6	8	53	6.72	1	1	47.01	8	52	134	14.3	10.73
TRINITY_DN9353_c0_g1_i1	30.99	2	18	25	48				30.99	25	48	797	89.8	7.91
TRINITY_DN20596_c0_g1_i1	38.62	1	11	15	42				38.62	15	42	290	31.9	10.32
TRINITY_DN8071_c0_g1_i1	15.13	1	11	11	40				15.13	11	40	522	59.5	9.70
TRINITY_DN33014_c0_g1_i1	63.03	1	3	6	39				63.03	6	39	119	12.9	9.31
TRINITY_DN36948_c0_g1_i1	16.89	1	9	9	37				16.89	9	37	533	57.5	5.43
TRINITY_DN9441_c0_g5_i1	50.00	1	8	9	36				50.00	9	36	186	20.9	5.19
TRINITY_DN9248_c0_g1_i1	17.89	1	7	7	31	2.45	1	1	17.89	7	30	408	44.0	4.81
TRINITY_DN7058_c0_g1_i1	36.71	1	5	7	30	7.59	1	1	36.71	7	29	158	16.7	12.34
TRINITY_DN3983_c0_g1_i1	37.68	1	3	4	30				37.68	4	30	138	16.0	5.95
TRINITY_DN11315_c0_g1_i1	33.98	1	11	12	28				33.98	12	28	259	27.8	10.18
TRINITY_DN9441_c0_g3_i1	12.01	1	5	6	25				12.01	6	25	283	32.0	8.09
TRINITY_DN32132_c0_g1_i1	24.37	1	1	3	24				24.37	3	24	119	13.5	9.51
TRINITY_DN17428_c0_g1_i1	37.09	1	5	6	21				37.09	6	21	151	16.5	5.25
TRINITY_DN4535_c0_g1_i1	33.50	1	5	6	21				33.50	6	21	200	20.2	9.31
TRINITY_DN5666_c0_g1_i1	24.75	1	8	8	20				24.75	8	20	198	23.2	10.78
TRINITY_DN9062_c0_g1_i1	29.43	1	5	9	19	7.36	2	2	29.43	9	17	299	33.2	9.07
TRINITY_DN6468_c0_g1_i1	25.33	1	8	11	19				25.33	11	19	458	50.9	5.07
TRINITY_DN7441_c0_g1_i1	18.18	1	4	4	18				18.18	4	18	154	16.9	9.55
TRINITY_DN7441_c1_g1_i1	64.44	1	6	7	18				64.44	7	18	90	9.8	5.11
TRINITY_DN4623_c0_g1_i1	25.98	1	5	5	16				25.98	5	16	127	13.5	7.06
TRINITY_DN31972_c0_g1_i1	25.00	1	3	7	15				25.00	7	15	248	29.4	10.51
TRINITY_DN25349_c0_g1_i1	20.13	1	4	6	14	2.60	1	1	20.13	6	13	308	33.6	9.52
TRINITY_DN14712_c0_g2_i1	23.70	1	3	5	14				23.70	5	14	211	22.8	7.88
TRINITY_DN9353_c0_g2_i1	49.06	1	6	7	14				49.06	7	14	106	11.7	9.09
TRINITY_DN10332_c0_g1_i1	16.46	1	5	5	13	3.70	1	1	16.46	5	12	243	26.2	8.16
TRINITY_DN25899_c0_g1_i1	23.24	1	7	8	13				23.24	8	13	241	26.5	9.58
TRINITY_DN8042_c0_g1_i1	16.24	1	6	7	13				16.24	7	13	271	30.8	10.35
TRINITY_DN7367_c0_g2_i1	8.27	2	2	2	12	8.27	2	3	8.27	2	9	254	26.6	10.67
TRINITY_DN1225_c0_g1_i1	34.96	1	5	6	12				34.96	6	12	226	24.5	9.42
TRINITY_DN14296_c0_g1_i1	26.62	1	4	6	11				26.62	6	11	154	17.7	10.51
TRINITY_DN37303_c0_g1_i1	35.81	1	3	7	11				35.81	7	11	148	16.8	10.67
TRINITY_DN4797_c0_g1_i1	29.67	1	4	6	9				29.67	6	9	209	23.8	9.96
TRINITY_DN7147_c0_g1_i1	68.87	2	5	5	9				68.87	5	9	151	17.0	6.58
TRINITY_DN9130_c0_g1_i1	88.57	1	1	4	9				88.57	4	9	35	4.2	8.22
TRINITY_DN15802_c0_g1_i1	14.78	1	2	2	9				14.78	2	9	115	12.7	12.73
TRINITY_DN317_c0_g2_i1	20.15	1	2	2	9				20.15	2	9	134	14.1	8.48
TRINITY_DN37813_c0_g1_i1	13.50	1	2	2	9				13.50	2	9	274	28.7	7.42
TRINITY_DN2055_c0_g1_i1	20.28	1	3	4	8				20.28	4	8	217	25.2	10.26
TRINITY_DN7940_c0_g1_i1	6.94	1	4	6	8				6.94	6	8	1052	116.4	5.50
TRINITY_DN8163_c0_g4_i1	32.88	1	4	5	8				32.88	5	8	146	17.8	8.28
TRINITY_DN4963_c0_g1_i1	29.70	1	3	3	8				29.70	3	8	101	10.7	11.21
TRINITY_DN8587_c0_g1_i1	14.91	1	4	4	8				14.91	4	8	389	45.2	9.54
TRINITY_DN38090_c0_g1_i1	20.87	1	3	3	7	6.96	1	1	20.87	3	6	115	12.5	12.16
TRINITY_DN3662_c0_g1_i1	12.26	1	3	3	7				12.26	3	7	155	18.1	10.65
TRINITY_DN8163_c0_g2_i1	25.00	1	3	3	7				25.00	3	7	168	19.9	5.73
TRINITY_DN8163_c0_g3_i1	13.26	1	4	4	7				13.26	4	7	347	38.2	5.74
TRINITY_DN9269_c0_g1_i1	8.29	1	2	4	7				8.29	4	7	543	59.7	6.80
TRINITY_DN4256_c0_g1_i1	16.11	1	3	4	7				16.11	4	7	329	36.0	5.12
TRINITY_DN1462_c0_g1_i1	12.36	1	1	4	7				12.36	4	7	259	28.4	10.83
TRINITY_DN5792_c0_g2_i1	8.42	1	4	5	7				8.42	5	7	404	45.9	4.83
TRINITY_DN35361_c0_g1_i1	13.98	1	3	4	7				13.98	4	7	322	35.0	8.94
TRINITY_DN7927_c0_g1_i1	12.39	1	2	4	6				12.39	4	6	355	39.0	9.07
TRINITY_DN8911_c0_g3_i1	18.53	1	1	5	6				18.53	5	6	259	28.4	8.98
TRINITY_DN2725_c0_g1_i1	3.01	1	1	1	6				3.01	1	6	365	39.0	8.28

TRINITY_DN5521_c0_g2_i1	35.51	1	4	4	6					35.51	4	6	107	12.6	9.41
TRINITY_DN8727_c0_g1_i1	25.77	2	2	3	6					25.77	3	6	97	10.6	8.76
TRINITY_DN20542_c0_g1_i1	24.49	1	3	5	6					24.49	5	6	196	22.4	11.80
TRINITY_DN416_c0_g1_i1	26.62	1	3	4	6					26.62	4	6	154	17.5	9.99
TRINITY_DN30798_c0_g1_i1	10.43	1	2	2	6					10.43	2	6	115	12.1	9.29
TRINITY_DN31349_c0_g1_i1	36.63	1	2	5	6					36.63	5	6	101	11.4	10.52
TRINITY_DN3632_c0_g1_i1	8.57	1	2	2	5					8.57	2	5	105	12.2	9.36
TRINITY_DN8853_c0_g1_i1	6.91	1	1	2	5					6.91	2	5	246	28.2	10.96
TRINITY_DN9854_c0_g1_i1	17.75	1	2	4	5					17.75	4	5	169	19.0	9.88
TRINITY_DN27158_c0_g1_i1	7.09	1	1	1	5					7.09	1	5	141	15.5	10.21
TRINITY_DN36507_c0_g1_i1	14.23	1	1	3	5					14.23	3	5	239	26.3	10.05
TRINITY_DN8776_c0_g1_i1	7.40	1	1	3	5					7.40	3	5	622	64.6	8.68
TRINITY_DN20458_c0_g1_i1	12.43	1	2	2	5					12.43	2	5	169	19.6	4.75
TRINITY_DN7464_c0_g1_i1	17.51	1	1	4	5					17.51	4	5	257	28.4	9.32
TRINITY_DN9366_c0_g1_i1	5.93	1	2	2	5					5.93	2	5	405	43.6	5.07
TRINITY_DN8315_c0_g1_i1	5.47	1	3	3	5					5.47	3	5	402	45.5	11.43
TRINITY_DN4557_c0_g1_i1	4.84	1	1	3	5					4.84	3	5	516	55.9	6.76
TRINITY_DN30198_c0_g1_i1	16.36	1	2	2	5					16.36	2	5	165	18.0	6.10
TRINITY_DN7785_c0_g1_i1	4.75	1	1	2	4					4.75	2	4	400	44.3	9.99
TRINITY_DN9190_c0_g1_i1	10.26	1	1	2	4					10.26	2	4	273	29.8	10.35
TRINITY_DN11013_c0_g1_i1	20.20	2	1	3	4					20.20	3	4	99	11.0	6.04
TRINITY_DN12181_c0_g1_i1	15.85	1	1	2	4					15.85	2	4	82	9.9	10.65
TRINITY_DN20809_c0_g1_i1	7.44	1	2	4	4					7.44	4	4	511	58.6	7.56
TRINITY_DN15724_c0_g1_i1	12.87	1	1	2	4					12.87	2	4	202	23.5	9.22
TRINITY_DN4224_c0_g1_i1	7.08	1	1	2	4					7.08	2	4	325	37.0	8.22
TRINITY_DN2302_c0_g1_i1	10.78	1	2	2	4					10.78	2	4	167	17.9	8.18
TRINITY_DN3283_c0_g1_i1	10.14	1	2	2	4					10.14	2	4	217	23.5	9.77
TRINITY_DN7433_c0_g2_i1	9.66	1	2	4	4					9.66	4	4	476	51.3	4.53
TRINITY_DN16131_c0_g1_i1	3.82	1	1	2	4					3.82	2	4	314	33.4	12.54
TRINITY_DN26411_c0_g1_i1	16.67	1	2	2	4					16.67	2	4	102	11.3	7.39
TRINITY_DN28596_c0_g1_i1	10.34	1	1	1	4					10.34	1	4	116	13.4	11.19
TRINITY_DN32170_c1_g1_i1	4.57	1	1	1	4					4.57	1	4	219	25.3	6.05
TRINITY_DN39563_c0_g1_i1	14.63	1	1	2	4					14.63	2	4	82	9.0	9.86
TRINITY_DN15129_c0_g1_i1	4.32	1	1	2	3	4.32	2	2	2.07		1	1	532	53.4	9.58
TRINITY_DN1319_c0_g1_i1	7.94	1	1	1	3					7.94	1	3	126	14.9	11.65
TRINITY_DN3026_c0_g1_i1	10.14	1	1	2	3					10.14	2	3	276	30.0	10.11
TRINITY_DN7946_c0_g1_i1	1.75	1	2	3	3					1.75	3	3	1944	223.2	5.68
TRINITY_DN8279_c0_g1_i1	5.66	1	1	2	3					5.66	2	3	371	39.7	5.36
TRINITY_DN21460_c0_g1_i1	7.17	1	2	3	3					7.17	3	3	446	47.8	9.14
TRINITY_DN23896_c0_g1_i1	14.52	1	1	3	3					14.52	3	3	186	21.1	6.58
TRINITY_DN25573_c0_g1_i1	4.07	1	2	2	3					4.07	2	3	467	50.9	9.04
TRINITY_DN20813_c0_g1_i1	4.29	1	2	2	3					4.29	2	3	303	32.0	7.90
TRINITY_DN11341_c0_g1_i1	9.68	1	1	3	3					9.68	3	3	217	25.1	11.00
TRINITY_DN209_c0_g2_i1	5.47	1	1	1	3					5.47	1	3	201	22.4	6.54
TRINITY_DN15328_c0_g1_i1	9.92	1	1	2	3					9.92	2	3	242	27.5	5.26
TRINITY_DN25335_c0_g1_i1	7.27	1	3	3	3					7.27	3	3	275	31.2	9.23
TRINITY_DN359_c0_g1_i1	12.33	1	2	3	3					12.33	3	3	219	24.9	9.25
TRINITY_DN1791_c0_g1_i1	4.90	1	1	1	3					4.90	1	3	408	46.2	4.72
TRINITY_DN16477_c0_g1_i1	5.25	1	1	2	3					5.25	2	3	400	45.4	5.41
TRINITY_DN3407_c0_g1_i1	5.99	1	1	1	3					5.99	1	3	167	19.4	10.62
TRINITY_DN35716_c0_g1_i1	10.69	1	1	2	3					10.69	2	3	131	14.6	7.27
TRINITY_DN595_c0_g1_i1	11.48	1	1	1	2					11.48	1	2	183	21.0	5.39
TRINITY_DN1116_c0_g1_i1	25.66	1	1	1	2					25.66	1	2	113	12.2	9.45
TRINITY_DN2223_c0_g2_i1	3.16	1	1	1	2					3.16	1	2	253	27.3	7.47
TRINITY_DN3351_c0_g1_i1	4.76	1	1	2	2					4.76	2	2	210	23.6	9.66
TRINITY_DN3875_c0_g2_i1	1.90	1	1	1	2					1.90	1	2	633	69.9	6.57
TRINITY_DN8949_c0_g1_i1	12.68	1	2	2	2					12.68	2	2	276	30.7	6.96
TRINITY_DN8901_c0_g1_i1	7.78	1	1	1	2					7.78	1	2	167	18.4	8.56
TRINITY_DN9423_c0_g3_i1	10.14	1	1	1	2					10.14	1	2	69	7.9	4.72
TRINITY_DN9885_c0_g1_i1	67.86	1	1	1	2					67.86	1	2	28	3.1	10.74
TRINITY_DN27372_c0_g1_i1	42.86	1	1	2	2					42.86	2	2	28	2.9	11.84
TRINITY_DN29591_c0_g1_i1	16.00	1	1	1	2					16.00	1	2	50	5.6	9.29
TRINITY_DN33637_c0_g1_i1	13.13	1	2	2	2					13.13	2	2	99	10.2	10.15
TRINITY_DN35640_c0_g1_i1	7.09	1	2	2	2					7.09	2	2	127	13.8	4.41
TRINITY_DN2791_c0_g1_i1	7.69	1	1	1	2					7.69	1	2	208	23.1	8.73
TRINITY_DN4187_c0_g1_i1	6.90	1	1	2	2					6.90	2	2	319	36.0	5.87
TRINITY_DN8766_c0_g1_i1	4.18	2	1	2	2					4.18	2	2	670	74.1	5.14
TRINITY_DN7863_c0_g1_i1	6.11	1	2	2	2					6.11	2	2	311	34.0	6.80



TRINITY_DN2935_c0_g1_i1	16.83	1	1	2	2				16.83	2	2	101	11.8	5.48
TRINITY_DN1085_c0_g1_i1	9.71	1	1	1	2				9.71	1	2	103	9.4	6.34
TRINITY_DN6669_c0_g1_i1	2.58	1	1	1	2				2.58	1	2	387	43.8	8.21
TRINITY_DN15380_c0_g1_i1	18.52	1	1	1	2				18.52	1	2	108	11.8	11.91
TRINITY_DN384_c0_g1_i1	9.70	1	1	2	2				9.70	2	2	165	17.0	10.10
TRINITY_DN6441_c0_g2_i1	7.43	1	2	2	2				7.43	2	2	296	31.6	9.94
TRINITY_DN9324_c0_g2_i1	1.74	1	1	2	2				1.74	2	2	518	56.9	6.06
TRINITY_DN8350_c0_g1_i2	3.16	2	1	1	2				3.16	1	2	507	57.3	8.57
TRINITY_DN8351_cl_g1_i1	11.57	1	2	2	2				11.57	2	2	216	23.9	5.41
TRINITY_DN8396_cl_g1_i1	5.83	1	1	2	2				5.83	2	2	309	35.2	6.54
TRINITY_DN8311_c0_g1_i1	5.10	1	1	2	2				5.10	2	2	510	57.2	4.68
TRINITY_DN6545_c0_g2_i1	3.75	1	1	1	2				3.75	1	2	267	31.2	8.48
TRINITY_DN6590_c0_g1_i1	1.55	1	1	1	2				1.55	1	2	710	79.7	7.85
TRINITY_DN21232_c0_g1_i1	4.49	1	1	2	2				4.49	2	2	423	48.3	8.06
TRINITY_DN8029_c0_g1_i1	3.30	1	1	1	2				3.30	1	2	212	23.3	9.67
TRINITY_DN25901_c0_g1_i1	2.24	1	1	1	2				2.24	1	2	490	53.9	8.85
TRINITY_DN30398_c0_g1_i1	22.62	1	1	2	2				22.62	2	2	84	9.5	8.50
TRINITY_DN30510_c0_g1_i1	14.59	1	2	2	2				14.59	2	2	185	21.9	10.81
TRINITY_DN31110_c0_g1_i1	6.40	1	1	1	2				6.40	1	2	250	28.0	5.53
TRINITY_DN27445_c0_g1_i1	52.38	1	1	1	1	52.38	1	1				21	2.3	12.00
TRINITY_DN7801_c0_g1_i1	2.77	1	1	1	1	2.77	1	1				289	30.1	4.39
TRINITY_DN15309_c0_g1_i1	43.33	1	1	1	1	43.33	1	1				30	3.6	10.29
TRINITY_DN7506_c0_g1_i1	4.85	1	1	1	1	4.85	1	1				227	24.2	5.31
TRINITY_DN14035_c0_g1_i1	25.00	1	1	1	1	25.00	1	1				36	3.8	9.14
TRINITY_DN2605_c0_g2_i1	13.64	1	1	1	1	13.64	1	1				88	10.3	11.72
TRINITY_DN1589_c0_g1_i1	5.59	1	1	1	1				5.59	1	1	143	16.7	10.81
TRINITY_DN3305_c0_g1_i1	7.43	1	1	1	1				7.43	1	1	148	16.5	10.32
TRINITY_DN3807_cl_g1_i1	6.54	2	1	1	1				6.54	1	1	214	24.7	7.90
TRINITY_DN4754_c0_g1_i1	9.85	1	1	1	1				9.85	1	1	132	14.9	10.96
TRINITY_DN6950_c0_g4_i1	14.06	1	1	1	1				14.06	1	1	64	6.8	10.21
TRINITY_DN6973_c0_g2_i1	11.49	1	1	1	1				11.49	1	1	87	10.0	9.31
TRINITY_DN6990_c0_g1_i1	66.67	1	1	1	1				66.67	1	1	36	3.8	8.73
TRINITY_DN7925_c0_g1_i1	8.40	1	1	1	1				8.40	1	1	131	15.0	4.93
TRINITY_DN8690_c0_g1_i1	6.37	1	1	1	1				6.37	1	1	157	18.0	10.78
TRINITY_DN8808_c0_g1_i1	1.95	1	1	1	1				1.95	1	1	512	60.7	5.44
TRINITY_DN8840_c0_g1_i1	4.95	1	1	1	1				4.95	1	1	222	25.2	9.16
TRINITY_DN8812_c0_g1_i1	3.63	1	1	1	1				3.63	1	1	413	49.0	8.79
TRINITY_DN8950_c0_g1_i1	1.11	1	1	1	1				1.11	1	1	719	82.6	5.16
TRINITY_DN9524_cl_g1_i1	8.61	1	1	1	1				8.61	1	1	151	17.1	11.68
TRINITY_DN9518_c0_g1_i1	1.68	1	1	1	1				1.68	1	1	536	62.0	9.14
TRINITY_DN9562_c0_g1_i1	1.95	1	1	1	1				1.95	1	1	564	61.9	6.32
TRINITY_DN11530_c0_g1_i1	6.71	1	1	1	1				6.71	1	1	164	19.2	5.19
TRINITY_DN11605_c0_g1_i1	16.39	1	1	1	1				16.39	1	1	122	13.9	5.22
TRINITY_DN11641_c0_g1_i1	34.38	1	1	1	1				34.38	1	1	32	3.6	9.58
TRINITY_DN14718_c0_g1_i1	12.22	1	1	1	1				12.22	1	1	90	10.1	6.60
TRINITY_DN17104_c0_g1_i1	7.38	1	1	1	1				7.38	1	1	271	29.2	9.96
TRINITY_DN17296_c0_g1_i1	17.36	1	1	1	1				17.36	1	1	121	14.4	5.48
TRINITY_DN21129_c0_g1_i1	24.19	1	1	1	1				24.19	1	1	62	6.9	11.08
TRINITY_DN22716_c0_g1_i1	28.21	1	1	1	1				28.21	1	1	39	3.9	11.46
TRINITY_DN22884_c0_g2_i1	7.75	1	1	1	1				7.75	1	1	142	16.4	10.78
TRINITY_DN25478_c0_g1_i1	8.39	1	1	1	1				8.39	1	1	155	17.8	10.07
TRINITY_DN25411_c0_g1_i1	6.03	1	1	1	1				6.03	1	1	232	26.1	7.14
TRINITY_DN31993_c0_g1_i1	3.38	1	1	1	1				3.38	1	1	296	33.0	7.65
TRINITY_DN32421_c0_g1_i1	18.09	1	1	1	1				18.09	1	1	94	9.5	7.34
TRINITY_DN35561_c0_g2_i1	59.38	1	1	1	1				59.38	1	1	32	3.7	7.17
TRINITY_DN8118_c0_g1_i1	1.81	1	1	1	1				1.81	1	1	719	76.1	6.58
TRINITY_DN8131_c0_g2_i1	4.29	2	1	1	1				4.29	1	1	280	31.4	7.12
TRINITY_DN8151_c0_g1_i1	4.40	1	1	1	1				4.40	1	1	250	28.6	6.05
TRINITY_DN11457_c0_g1_i1	35.56	1	1	1	1				35.56	1	1	45	5.0	6.51
TRINITY_DN9201_c0_g1_i1	4.37	1	1	1	1				4.37	1	1	229	25.1	8.25
TRINITY_DN3163_c0_g1_i1	48.39	1	1	1	1				48.39	1	1	31	3.6	10.56
TRINITY_DN8727_c0_g2_i1	3.37	1	1	1	1				3.37	1	1	504	55.8	5.12
TRINITY_DN20090_c0_g1_i1	31.58	1	1	1	1				31.58	1	1	38	4.5	12.31
TRINITY_DN20404_c0_g1_i1	6.57	1	1	1	1				6.57	1	1	137	16.0	9.86
TRINITY_DN6101_c0_g1_i1	3.01	1	1	1	1				3.01	1	1	399	44.5	5.35
TRINITY_DN6104_c0_g1_i1	5.92	1	1	1	1				5.92	1	1	169	18.8	10.20
TRINITY_DN19931_c0_g2_i1	4.61	1	1	1	1				4.61	1	1	282	32.1	6.14
TRINITY_DN7505_c0_g2_i1	6.39	1	1	1	1				6.39	1	1	219	24.0	7.46

TRINITY_DN25363_c0_g1_i1	7.33	1	1	1	1				7.33	1	1	191	21.5	5.01
TRINITY_DN6452_c0_g3_i1	2.54	1	1	1	1				2.54	1	1	433	49.3	6.11
TRINITY_DN15629_c0_g1_i1	4.73	1	1	1	1				4.73	1	1	169	19.7	10.87
TRINITY_DN7606_c0_g1_i1	3.72	1	1	1	1				3.72	1	1	215	24.4	5.33
TRINITY_DN7494_c0_g3_i1	11.22	1	1	1	1				11.22	1	1	98	10.9	6.06
TRINITY_DN9348_c0_g4_i1	2.22	1	1	1	1				2.22	1	1	495	57.0	6.35
TRINITY_DN9356_c0_g1_i1	5.42	1	1	1	1				5.42	1	1	166	18.7	7.81
TRINITY_DN6289_c0_g1_i1	9.62	1	1	1	1				9.62	1	1	104	11.6	9.89
TRINITY_DN475_c0_g1_i1	7.25	1	1	1	1				7.25	1	1	138	15.6	10.08
TRINITY_DN21887_c0_g1_i1	6.76	1	1	1	1				6.76	1	1	148	17.0	9.99
TRINITY_DN6731_c0_g1_i1	2.29	1	1	1	1				2.29	1	1	480	54.0	8.00
TRINITY_DN6738_c0_g1_i1	1.42	1	1	1	1				1.42	1	1	563	61.8	5.27
TRINITY_DN8558_c0_g1_i1	18.18	1	1	1	1				18.18	1	1	55	5.9	9.99
TRINITY_DN22005_c0_g1_i1	4.02	1	1	1	1				4.02	1	1	199	22.3	6.81
TRINITY_DN5838_c0_g1_i1	1.98	1	1	1	1				1.98	1	1	405	42.9	7.87
TRINITY_DN23380_c0_g1_i1	3.52	1	1	1	1				3.52	1	1	256	28.3	8.15
TRINITY_DN26305_c0_g1_i1	6.19	1	1	1	1				6.19	1	1	226	26.0	8.13
TRINITY_DN26554_c0_g1_i1	7.04	1	1	1	1				7.04	1	1	142	15.8	7.81
TRINITY_DN26903_c0_g1_i1	3.98	1	1	1	1				3.98	1	1	251	28.5	5.34
TRINITY_DN27081_c0_g1_i1	14.12	1	1	1	1				14.12	1	1	85	9.2	9.35
TRINITY_DN27093_c0_g1_i1	19.15	1	1	1	1				19.15	1	1	94	10.1	11.46
TRINITY_DN27610_c0_g1_i1	10.84	1	1	1	1				10.84	1	1	83	9.3	10.51
TRINITY_DN28195_c0_g1_i1	12.34	1	1	1	1				12.34	1	1	154	17.3	9.83
TRINITY_DN30509_c0_g1_i1	4.76	1	1	1	1				4.76	1	1	189	22.4	11.50
TRINITY_DN31727_c0_g1_i1	47.22	1	1	1	1				47.22	1	1	36	3.6	11.09
TRINITY_DN33526_c0_g1_i1	9.47	1	1	1	1				9.47	1	1	190	21.6	6.38
TRINITY_DN35087_c0_g1_i1	7.31	1	1	1	1				7.31	1	1	219	24.7	5.06
TRINITY_DN35187_c0_g1_i1	13.68	1	1	1	1				13.68	1	1	117	12.5	5.39
TRINITY_DN36079_c0_g1_i1	4.02	1	1	1	1				4.02	1	1	199	22.3	4.75