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Genomes of three bacteriophages from the deep subsurface aquifer

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Viral particles have been detected in the underground biosphere where they could be one of the main factors impacting microbial diversity, biogeochemistry and evolution. To characterize the viral component in the deep subsurface biosphere, we sequenced the metagenome of subsurface aquifer located in the Tomsk region of Russia, sampled via 2.8-km-deep borehole 5P. The \textit{de novo} assembly of metagenomics sequences yielded three circular genomes assigned to bacteriophages of the order \textit{Caudovirales}. The annotated genome sequences of these bacteriophages have been deposited in the GenBank database under the accession numbers MK113949, MK113950 and MK113951.

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Specifications table

| Parameter                        | Phage 5P_1 | Phage 5P_2 | Phage 5P_3 |
|----------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Genome size (bp)                 | 41,683     | 74,215     | 39,501     |
| G + C content (%)                | 45.1       | 53.4       | 61.6       |
| Predicted genes                  | 56         | 105        | 57         |
| Genes with assigned functions    | 8          | 21         | 16         |
| GenBank accession number         | MK113949   | MK113950   | MK113951   |

Value of the data

- This data provides information about genetic potential of three viruses from the deep subsurface aquifer.
- Data is applicable for comparative genomic studies of viruses of prokaryotes.
- Data will help to explore the diversity and ecological role of viruses in the deep subsurface ecosystems.

1. Data

Viral particles have been increasingly detected in extreme habitats including the underground biosphere. In such habitats, viruses are one of the main factors of microbial diversity, biogeochemistry and evolution [1,2]. To determine the viral component in the underground biosphere of Western Siberia, we sequenced the metagenome of a deep subsurface aquifer located in the Tomsk region of Russia, sampled via an oil exploration borehole 5P, drilled to a depth of 2.8 km [3]. The aquifer presumably was formed in the sedimentary rocks of the Mesozoic Era. The de novo assembly of metagenomics sequences yielded three circular-mapping genomes assigned to the tailed bacteriophages of the order Caudovirales. The data in Table 1 represents genome annotation summary, including genome size, G + C content and the number of predicted genes of each bacteriophage genome.

Table 1
General characteristics of genome sequences of viruses.
2. Experimental design, materials, and methods

2.1. Sample collection and preparation

Water samples were taken from a sampling line at the borehole 5P in April, 2016 [4]. Cells from 20 L of borehole water were collected on 0.22 μm cellulose nitrate membranes (Sartorius, Germany) using a Sartorius filtration unit.

2.2. DNA extraction

The filters were frozen in liquid nitrogen and then ground and melted with TE buffer in a water bath at 37 °C. The total DNA was extracted using Power Soil DNA Isolation Kit (MO BIO Laboratories Inc, Carlsbad, USA). About 1 μg of total DNA was isolated.

2.3. Sequencing and assembly

Metagenomic DNA was sequenced using the Illumina HiSeq2500 platform according to the manufacturer’s instructions (Illumina Inc., USA). The sequencing of a paired-end (2 × 250 bp) TruSeq DNA library generated 57,579,354 read pairs. Primer and quality trimming were performed with Cutadapt v. 1.17 [5] and Sickle v. 1.33 (https://github.com/najoshi/sickle), respectively. Cutadapt was used with default settings, and Q33 score was used for Sickle. Trimmed reads were merged with FLASH v1.2.11 [6]. The same metagenomics DNA was sequenced on MinION (Oxford Nanopore), using 1D Genomic DNA by ligation protocol. 1,418,419 raw MinION reads (about 1.5 Gb in total) were de novo assembled into contigs using Miniasm v0.3 [7], and the assembly was polished using Racon 1.3.1 [8]. Illumina reads were mapped back to the assembled sequence using Bowtie 2 [9] and the mapping was used to obtain improved consensus sequence by Pilon 1.22 software [10].

2.4. Identification and annotation of viral genomes

For each of the circular contigs reported by Miniasm gene search and annotation were performed using the RAST server 2.0 [11], followed by manual correction by searching the National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI) databases. Circular contigs containing genes encoding phage capsid proteins were assigned to bacteriophages. All three obtained bacteriophages were classified as members of the order Caudovirales on the basis of sequence similarity with known phage genomes.

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