Class 21: Phylogenetics (2)

Held: Thursday, 12 November 2009

Summary: We continue to consider techniques for building phylogenetic trees, grounding our exploration by using tools to build such trees.

Related Pages:
- EBoard.
- Reading: Paper on Neanderthals and Mitochondrial DNA.
- Due: Project proposals; Chou-Fasman Programming Project.

Notes:
- We’ve made some updates to the schedule. Please read Chapter 9 for Tuesday’s class.
- Don’t forget the visit from Prof. Tuggle next Thursday. We’ll read one of his papers (to be distributed electronically by Friday) in preparation for that visit.
- Please send a copy of your project proposal to your colleagues in the class.
- Sam will have to leave class early today (approx. 1:50). Apologies.
- We hope you found the discussion of campus climate useful, if not necessarily directly relevant to class.
- At least one of the suggested sequences the authors give for today’s Web exploration has been replaced. What might that replacement suggest?

Overview:
- Web Exploration
- Discussion of Krings et al.

Web Exploration
- For those who don’t have the patience to come up with ten homologs, here are some sequences our authors suggest as interesting. (Note that you can get to each at http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/protein/IDENTIFIER)
  - YP_026263
  - ZP_04962408
    - Was YP_002174466
  - ZP_02621494
  - NP_000048
  - XP_510594
  - NP_075529
  - NP_445977
I’ve put those together into a file.

I had trouble using the Hong Kong server for Phylip. The Pasteur version seems to be working. [http://bioweb.pasteur.fr/phylogeny/intro-en.html](http://bioweb.pasteur.fr/phylogeny/intro-en.html)

**Discussion of Krings et al.**

- Forthcoming.