

A Male-Specific Genetic Map of the Microcrustacean *Daphnia pulex* Based on Single-Sperm Whole-Genome Sequencing

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ABSTRACT Genetic linkage maps are critical for assembling draft genomes to a meaningful chromosome level and for deciphering the genomic underpinnings of biological traits. The estimates of recombination rates derived from genetic maps also play an important role in understanding multiple aspects of genomic evolution such as nucleotide substitution patterns and accumulation of deleterious mutations. In this study, we developed a high-throughput experimental approach that combines fluorescence-activated cell sorting, whole-genome amplification, and short-read sequencing to construct a genetic map using single-sperm cells. Furthermore, a computational algorithm was developed to analyze single-sperm whole-genome sequencing data for map construction. These methods allowed us to rapidly build a male-specific genetic map for the freshwater microcrustacean *Daphnia pulex*, which shows significant improvements compared to a previous map. With a total of mapped 1672 haplotype blocks and an average intermarker distance of 0.87 cM, this map spans a total genetic distance of 1451 Kosambi cM and comprises 90% of the resolved regions in the current *Daphnia* reference assembly. The map also reveals the mistaken mapping of seven scaffolds in the reference assembly onto chromosome II by a previous microsatellite map based on F₂ crosses. Our approach can be easily applied to many other organisms and holds great promise for unveiling the intragenomic and intraspecific variation in the recombination rates.

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CONSTRUCTING a genetic linkage map that encompasses as much genomic sequence as possible is critical for current endeavors of *de novo* genomic assembly (e.g., Kawakami *et al.* 2014; International Cassava Genetic Map Consortium (ICGMC) 2015) and for deciphering the genomic underpinnings of the biological traits in the species of interest (Lynch and Walsh 1998). Genetic maps can be utilized in several ways to help achieve these goals. At the very least, a linkage map with an adequate number of genetic markers can serve as the backbone for orienting and assembling segments of DNA (i.e., scaffolds) into chromosomes. The developed genetic markers can also be used in QTL association mapping and

genomic-scanning efforts to investigate genetic loci underlying ecological tolerance, adaptation, and disease. Furthermore, a linkage map provides genome-wide estimates of the meiotic recombination rate, which plays a significant role in the distribution of genetic diversity (Nachman 2001), rate of adaptation (Bachtrog and Charlesworth 2002), accumulation of deleterious mutations (Hussin *et al.* 2015), and nucleotide substitution (Duret and Arndt 2008).

Currently, the most common approach for constructing a genetic linkage map is based on genotyping a large number of molecular markers (e.g., SNPs, microsatellites) from a large number of offspring (usually on the order of hundreds) derived from various kinds of crossing schemes (e.g., backcrosses, F₂s, recombinant inbred lines) or from family trios to estimate the frequencies of recombination between markers across the genome. Although most estimates of recombination rates in a diverse range of taxa come from studies based on this idea, crossing experiments are laborious, often inefficient (e.g., low hatching/survival rate of progeny), and unattainable in cases

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where manipulative crossing is impossible. Furthermore, this approach may introduce biases in estimating offspring genotype frequencies if certain classes of recombinant genotypes cause lethality and/or low viability.

With whole-genome sequencing becoming increasingly economical, interpretation of population-genomic data in a coalescence framework can generate estimates of historical recombination (*i.e.*, crossover) rates needed for creating genetic maps (Stumpf and McVean 2003; McVean *et al.* 2004). This approach is gaining popularity and has been successfully applied to many organisms, including human (McVean *et al.* 2004; Myers *et al.* 2005), chimpanzee (Auton *et al.* 2012), dogs (Auton *et al.* 2013), and *Arabidopsis* (Choi *et al.* 2013), uncovering genetic factors that regulate crossover events such as *PRDM9* in humans (Myers *et al.* 2010) and H2A.Z nucleosomes at promoters in *Arabidopsis* (Choi *et al.* 2013). Nonetheless, one prerequisite for applying this method is the availability of a genome assembly with reasonable quality for the species of interest or for a closely related species. This is because crossover events are inferred on the basis of patterns of linkage disequilibrium in the population of interest, which can be severely distorted if the mapping of short-sequence reads is performed on an assembly where physical ordering of genomic sites is erroneous. It should also be noted that the linkage-disequilibrium method can yield only estimates for historical population-level and sex-averaged crossover rates. Thus, this method is not suitable for examining the variation of recombination rate between individuals and sexes (*e.g.*, Coop and Przeworski 2007; Kong *et al.* 2010; Brandvain and Coop 2012; Comeron *et al.* 2012; Bauer *et al.* 2013). Furthermore, it is well known that crossover, the reciprocal exchange of DNA between homologous chromosomes, only represents a small proportion (often <20%) of the total recombination events, with the rest generating nonreciprocal, gene-conversion events (Langley *et al.* 2000; Malkova *et al.* 2004; Morrell *et al.* 2006; Mancera *et al.* 2008; Yang *et al.* 2012; Lynch *et al.* 2014).

The most recent development in linkage map construction methodologies is the deployment of single-cell whole-genome sequencing on gametes such as sperm (Lu *et al.* 2012; Wang *et al.* 2012). Gametes are products of meiosis, bearing the genetic signature of meiotic recombination. Directly examining the haplotypes of gametes can offer an unbiased view of the recombination process and potentially yields insight into genetic factors regulating meiotic recombination events. The idea of utilizing single sperm to examine the recombination rate between a few markers on a small genomic scale coincided with the time when PCR (polymerase chain reaction) technology started revolutionizing the field of molecular biology in the 1980s (Li *et al.* 1988; Cui *et al.* 1989). However, this approach has not gained popularity until recently, mainly because of two technical hurdles, *i.e.*, the rapid isolation of a large number of single gametes and the low amount of DNA present in each gamete. Problems inherent in sorting a large number of in-

dividual gametes made it implausible to gain enough power to estimate recombinant frequencies and disentangle individual gamete recombination patterns. Additionally, the extremely low amount of DNA present in each gamete (*e.g.*, ~3 pg of DNA in a single human sperm) prevented genotyping a sufficient number of genetic markers. Nonetheless, technological advances in microfluidics and flow cytometry have made it feasible to rapidly isolate single cells (Wang *et al.* 2012), and whole-genome amplification techniques now can propagate a single-copy genome to an amount of DNA that allows subsequent whole-genome sequencing/genotyping (Pan *et al.* 2008; Zong *et al.* 2012). Given the abundance of sperm cells, the combination of these techniques with whole-genome sequencing has led to the successful construction of a marker-dense male-specific genetic map for humans (Lu *et al.* 2012; Wang *et al.* 2012). Nonetheless, to our knowledge this single-sperm whole-genome sequencing approach has not been applied to other organisms.

In this study, we developed a high-throughput experimental workflow that isolates, whole-genome amplifies, and sequences single sperm from the North American microcrustacean *Daphnia pulex* (Crustacea, Anomopoda) to build a genetic map. *Daphnia* are keystone zooplankton species in global freshwater ecosystems (*e.g.*, lakes and woodland ponds) and are model organisms for toxicological, evolutionary, and biomedical research (Colbourne *et al.* 2011). *Daphnia* typically reproduce by cyclical parthenogenesis. Under good environmental conditions, females produce directly developing and genetically identical daughters. However, with unfavorable conditions (*e.g.*, food shortage), males are produced by environmental sex determination and engage in sexual reproduction to produce diapausing embryos. A major motivation for us to develop single-sperm sequencing for building a genetic map in *D. pulex* is the difficulty in efficiently hatching the diapausing embryos needed to form an offspring panel from crossing experiments (*e.g.*, Cristescu *et al.* 2006).

Although there exists a microsatellite-based genetic map for the current *Daphnia* genome assembly, this map anchors only 73 scaffolds, which accounts for only 73.9 of the 200 Mbp *Daphnia* genome (Cristescu *et al.* 2006; Colbourne *et al.* 2011). Furthermore, there is a need for a genetic map specifically for *D. pulex* because the current *Daphnia* assembly and genetic map are both derived from *Daphnia arenata*, an endemic species to Oregon rather than *D. pulex* that occurs in most of the temperate regions in North America. Although *D. arenata* and *D. pulex* are nearly indistinguishable with respect to morphology, *D. arenata* shows significantly reduced heterozygosity relative to *D. pulex*, with a pairwise nucleotide diversity of 0.0013 vs. 0.0119 in *D. pulex* based on six protein-coding loci (Omilian and Lynch 2009). Although *D. arenata* is still paraphyletic with respect to *D. pulex* for the mitochondrial genome (Colbourne *et al.* 1998; Lynch *et al.* 2008), these two species display a nuclear genomic divergence of ~2% (Tucker *et al.* 2013). Nonetheless,

it remains largely an open question whether the nuclear genetic divergence between these two species involve any genetic map changes, *i.e.*, chromosomal rearrangements such as inversions. Comparative analysis of the genetic maps of these two species will offer insight into the process of their genetic divergence and speciation.

The experimental procedure presented here employs fluorescence-activated cell sorting (FACS), the whole-genome amplification technique multiple annealing and looping-based amplification cycles (MALBAC) (Zong *et al.* 2012), and the Illumina Hi-Seq 2500 sequencing platform. Because this procedure relies on equipment such as flow cytometers and standard PCR thermal cyclers that are readily available to the research community, it can be easily applied and/or adapted to many other organisms with or without existing reference genomic assemblies to rapidly generate genetic maps. Moreover, we provide a computer program for extraction of haplotype blocks that are free of recombination events (*i.e.*, crossover and gene conversion) to build a male-specific genetic map in combination with the genetic map software MSTMap (Wu *et al.* 2008). This method constitutes a valuable approach for future studies that examine sex-specific genetic maps, fine-scale recombination patterns, and individual recombination variation.

Materials and Methods

Daphnia culture

The *Daphnia* isolate (PA42) used in this study was sampled from Portland Arch (latitude: 40°13', longitude: -87°20'), Indiana, in May 2013. This isolate, which reproduces by cyclical parthenogenesis, was maintained under benign laboratory conditions at 20° and fed *ad libitum* with a suspension of *Scenedesmus obliquus* to enable essentially indefinite parthenogenetic reproduction.

Single-sperm isolation

We collected 15 mature, parthenogenetically produced males from the mass culture of the PA42 isolate. These males are genetically identical except for *de novo* mutations, which can be safely ignored given their low frequency (on the order of 10^{-9} events/base/generation). Sperm was collected from each male by squeezing the abdominal part of the individual in a drop of ultrapure distilled H₂O under a cover slip. The presence of sperm was confirmed by examination under microscope. The pooled collection of sperm was transferred to 50 μ l PBS buffer and stained using Hoechst 33528 (100 μ g/ μ l, Sigma-Aldrich), a dye that binds to double-strand DNA. Then, we used a FACS Aria II SORP Flow Cytometer (BD Biosciences) to isolate single sperm. Lasers used were a 488 nm 100 mW for light scatter detection and a 355 nm 20 mW for Hoechst detection. A FSC-PMT was used for optimal small particle discrimination. A 70- μ m nozzle was used at 45 psi. Sperm cells were dispensed into regular 96-well PCR plates. Each sperm was deposited into 5 μ l cell lysis buffer (30 mM Tris, 2 mM EDTA, 20 mM KCl, 0.2% Triton-X100, 50 mM DTT, and

500 μ m/ml protease) and lysed for 3 hr at 50°, 20 min at 75°, and 5 min at 80°.

Whole-genome amplification and sequencing

We whole-genome amplified 104 single-sperm cells following the MALBAC protocol (Zong *et al.* 2012). In brief, MALBAC consists of a preamplification stage and a second-stage PCR amplification. In the preamplification cycles, a pair of quasi-degenerate primers is used to initiate overlapped amplicons throughout the whole genome. The quasi-degenerate primers consist of a 27-bp fragment of 5'-GTGAGTGATGGTTGAGG TAGTGTGGAG-3' and eight variable nucleotides attached to the 3' end. For each reaction, 3 μ l ThermoPol buffer (New England Biolabs), 1 μ l dNTP (10 mM), 21 μ l H₂O, and 0.15 μ l primers (50 μ M) were added. Each sample is then denatured at 94° for 3 min and quenched on ice immediately. With samples staying on ice, 0.6 μ l *Bst* large fragment (New England Biolabs) is added to each reaction. The following thermal regime is used to generate random amplicons across the genome: 10° for 45 sec, 15° for 45 sec, 20° for 45 sec, 30° for 45 sec, 40° for 45 sec, 50° for 45 sec, 65° for 2 min, 95° for 20 sec, followed by quenching on ice and adding 0.6 μ l *Bst* large fragment to each sample. Subsequently, the samples are subject to five rounds of amplification, each of which consists of 10° for 45 sec, 15° for 45 sec, 20° for 45 sec, 30° for 45 sec, 40° for 45 sec, 50° for 45 sec, 65° for 2 min, 95° for 20 sec, 58° for at least 20 sec, followed by quenching on ice and adding 0.6 μ l *Bst* large fragment to each sample. After the preamplification stage, a standard PCR amplification is performed with each sample to generate 1–2 μ g DNA to be used for downstream applications. Each reaction consists of 3 μ l ThermoPol Buffer (New England Biolabs), 1 μ l dNTP (10 mM), 26 μ l H₂O, 0.15 μ l primer 5'-GTGAGTGATGGTTGAGGTAGTGTGGAG-3' (100 mM), and 1 μ l DeepVentR exo- (New England Biolabs). The PCR thermal regime consists of 22 rounds of 94° for 20 sec, 59° for 20 sec, 65° for 1 min, 72° for 2 min, followed by 72° for 5 min.

To eliminate the possibility of samples containing multiple sperm cells, 12 microsatellite markers, each from 1 of the 12 chromosomes in the *Daphnia* genome, were genotyped using an ABI 3730 genetic analyzer (Life Technologies). The allele sizes of the genotyped microsatellite loci were analyzed using Genemapper software 4.0 (Life Technologies). None of the samples presented evidence of multiple cells, *i.e.*, more than one allele for the whole suite of loci.

Subsequently, the whole-genome-amplified DNA of each sperm was sheared to an average fragment size of 350 bp on a Covaris S2 shearing machine. Short-read sequencing library preparation followed the standard protocol of Illumina and was done by the Center for Genomics and Bioinformatics at Indiana University, Bloomington. Short-read sequencing was performed on an Illumina HiSeq2500 platform with 150-bp paired end reads.

Construction of genetic maps

Our approach can be applied to organisms with or without an existing reference assembly. This is because the

whole-genome sequences of all sperm samples can be used for creating a *de novo* assembly, although the completeness of the assembly depends on the whole-genome amplification coverage across the entire genome. To demonstrate this, we built a *de novo* sperm reference assembly using the assembler Platanus (Kajitani *et al.* 2014) based on the pooled whole-genome sequences of all sperm. The pooled sequences for *de novo* assembly were normalized using the software BBNorm (<http://sourceforge.net/projects/bbmap/>) to reduce the redundancy and remove errors of raw reads. We used the default settings in Platanus for building contigs and scaffolds. All scaffolds that were possibly from contaminant DNA (*e.g.*, bacteria, algae, and human) or shorter than 1000 bp were removed from the final sperm reference assembly.

The 27-bp primer sequences for the whole-genome amplification reactions were computationally removed from the ends of raw reads when present using the software CLC Genomics Workbench (v. 7, CLC Bio). The processed raw reads for each sample were mapped to the *Daphnia* reference assembly (Colbourne *et al.* 2011) and the sperm reference assembly using the short-read mapping function implemented in CLC Genomics Workbench with default settings. However, reads mapped to multiple locations were removed from further analysis. The haplotype for each position of a single sperm was determined using a consensus approach, where a base call is made with the support of >80% of the reads. To avoid sequencing errors, PCR artifacts, and potential mapping errors, we also require at least two forward and two reverse reads to validate the consensus call. Because only heterozygous loci are informative for analyzing recombination events, only sites where two nucleotides were found across the entire set of sperm samples were kept.

We developed an algorithm implemented in Python (Supporting Information, File S5, phasingHaplotype.py) to detect haplotype blocks that are free of recombination events to be used as markers for genetic map construction. Because this set of sperm is derived from the recombination of two parental haplotypes, we randomly assign either 0 or 1 (designating the two parental haplotypes) to the same two-locus haplotype for the first pair of sites on each scaffold (Figure 1B). Every pair of sites across the samples has a maximum of four haplotypes when a crossover or gene conversion event happens, three haplotypes for biased gene conversion events, and two haplotypes for no recombination. We then consecutively examine each pair of sites and extend the haplotype assignment. A switching of phase occurs only when three or four haplotypes evidently exists.

Once the haplotype-phase assignment was done, we selected haplotype blocks (a minimum of two SNP sites) free of evident recombination events in the set of sequenced sperm samples as genetic markers for genetic map construction. The selected haplotype blocks were coded as either 0 or 1. We used the software MSTMap (Wu *et al.* 2008) to construct the linkage map with its default settings. MSTMap implements an efficient algorithm to determine the correct

order of a large number of genetic markers (10,000–100,000) by computing the minimum spanning tree. MSTMap is significantly better at recovering the correct order of markers from noisy data compared to most other software, which is helpful for dealing with the missing data in our data set.

MareyMap database for estimating recombination rate

Integrating the genetic map data into a physical map allows the estimation of recombination rate for genomic regions along a chromosome using different curve fitting methods (Rezvoy *et al.* 2007). This is the so-called Marey map method (Chakravarti 1991). We combined the sperm genetic map data with the current *Daphnia* reference assembly (Colbourne *et al.* 2011) and created a database (File S3) using the R package MareyMap (Rezvoy *et al.* 2007), which allows users to estimate recombination rates for most of the regions on major scaffolds in the current assembly.

Data availability

The binary alignment files for sperm samples were deposited at NCBI Sequence Read Archive under study no. SRP058678.

Results

Single-cell genome sequencing, mapping, and SNP density

We sequenced the whole genomes of 104 single sperm (Figure 1A) from the *D. pulex* isolate PA42 from Portland Arch, Indiana, with 150-bp paired end reads. After trimming the PCR and Illumina adapter sequences from the raw reads and removing reads that mapped to multiple locations in the *Daphnia* reference assembly (Colbourne *et al.* 2011), we found that the aligned reads covered on average $77.3 \text{ Mbp} \pm 14.7$ (SD) of the 200-Mbp *Daphnia* genome, which is equivalent to 52.8% of the resolved regions in the reference assembly. The average coverage per site per sperm sample is 12.5 ± 4.5 (SD).

We identified a total of 1,537,288 heterozygous sites from the parental diploid genotype PA42 following a set of stringent criteria (see *Materials and Methods*). With a 2% estimated heterozygosity based on whole-genome sequencing of the PA42 genotype, these recovered sites account for 38.4% of the total heterozygous sites expected in the genome.

Furthermore, we built a *de novo* assembly using the pooled sperm genomic sequences. The sperm assembly spans 109 Mbp with 1.7% gap regions and consists of 32,549 scaffolds. The largest scaffold size is 90,435 bp, whereas the smallest scaffold is 1001 bp. After mapping the processed raw reads for each sperm to the sperm assembly, the aligned reads covered on average $49.4 \text{ Mbp} \pm 11.9$ of the assembly. The observation that the average coverage is lower than the total assembly length is mainly because the sperm assembly is based on the pooled sequence of all samples and each whole-genome amplified sperm sample does not contain all sequences in the assembly.

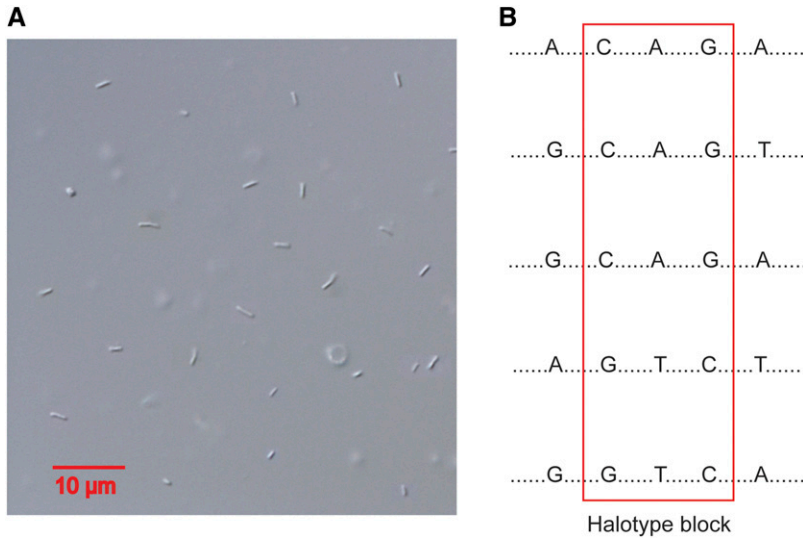


Figure 1 (A) Image of sperm extracted from males of the *D. pulex* PA42 isolate from Portland Arch, Indiana. The sperm is rod shaped, with a length $\sim 2 \mu\text{m}$. (B) A hypothetical example of haplotype block indicated by the red box. Each haplotype is represented by five nucleotide sites. A haplotype block is identified where only two haplotypes occur across the whole set of samples.

Genetic linkage map

For the analyses based on the *Daphnia* reference genomic assembly (Colbourne *et al.* 2011), we selected a total of 1672 marker regions where at least two consecutive SNP loci show the same haplotype in >90 sperm samples; as they contained zero recombination events, such spans serve as single markers in the map construction. The lengths of the marker regions range from 50 to 269,519 bp, with a mean of $22,771 \pm 21,710$ (SD). The total length of the marker regions is ~ 38.1 Mbp, comprising 19.1% of the ~ 200 -Mbp *Daphnia* genome. Based on these markers, we constructed a male-specific *Daphnia* linkage map using the software MSTmap (Wu *et al.* 2008). This genetic map consists of 12 linkage groups, corresponding to the 12 chromosomes in *Daphnia* genome (Zaffagnini and Sabelli 1972), and spans a total genetic distance of 1451 Kosambi cM (Figure S1), with an average intermarker distance of 0.87 cM. The number of haplotype blocks on each linkage group ranges between 67 and 202, with a mean of 139. The map distance for each linkage group varies between 81 and 149 Kosambi cM, with a mean of 121 ± 22 (SD) cM. This map anchors to chromosomes a total of 187 of 5191 scaffolds from the *Daphnia* genome reference assembly (Colbourne *et al.* 2011). These scaffolds encompass 131.9 Mbp of DNA sequence, which is equivalent to 90.0% of the resolved portion of current assembly.

To demonstrate that our approach can be used for organisms without preexisting reference assembly, we built a genetic map based on sperm *de novo* assembly. We recovered 12 linkage groups using 350 haplotype blocks (File S4). The total length of the 350 haplotype blocks is 2.36 Mbp, corresponding to 2.2% of the sperm assembly. The lengths of the haplotype blocks range from 50 to 47,702 bp, with a mean of 6742 bp. The total genetic map distance is 823 Kosambi cM. The map distance for each lineage group ranges between 23 and 137 cM, with a mean of 67 ± 34 (SD) cM. The average intermarker distance is 2.35 cM. Furthermore,

this map anchors in total 343 scaffolds into the 12 linkage groups.

Differences of scaffold assignment between maps of *D. pulex* and *D. arenata*

We compared the male-specific genetic map of *D. pulex* with the prior microsatellite map of *D. arenata* to detect possible chromosomal rearrangements. Because all of the microsatellite markers in *D. arenata* have known physical locations in the reference assembly, we were able to compare the differences in anchored locations of scaffolds. Most notably, a large chunk of chromosome II spanning from 0 to 29.9 cM in *D. arenata* maps to chromosome XII in *D. pulex*; this map difference involves seven scaffolds (5, 27, 58, 63, 70, 84, and 86). Furthermore, we detected numerous cases in which segments of one scaffold in the current reference assembly do not form a continuous tract on the genetic map but are split by segments from other scaffolds (Figure S1), which indicates problematic genomic assembly or possible rearrangements. An example of this category of observations is that one portion of scaffold 260,935–1,006,942 bp maps to chromosome XI, while the rest of scaffold 8 is anchored to chromosome IV (File S1). In addition to these cases of split scaffolds, in many of the largest scaffolds (*e.g.*, scaffolds 1, 2, 3) in the current *Daphnia* assembly, physical orders of haplotype blocks do not agree with the genetic map (File S1). For example, scaffold 1: 260,935–1,006,942 bp is mapped on chromosome II with a map distance from 42.68 to 44.35 cM, whereas the physically downstream segment scaffold 1 3806402–3934086 is mapped from 34.34 to 42.11 cM on the same chromosome.

Discussion

Combining single-cell isolation based on flow cytometry, whole-genome amplification, and short-read sequencing, we established a rapid experimental workflow for constructing a genetic map in the microcrustacean *D. pulex* using single

sperm. Compared to the extensive time (e.g., weeks or months) required by conventional crossing experiments, this procedure can gather the data needed for a map in a time frame of a few days. Unlike the population-genomic sequencing approach that requires a reference genomic assembly (e.g., Auton *et al.* 2012), the sperm-based method does not necessarily rely on a preexisting reference assembly. Although we did use a *Daphnia* reference assembly to guide the identification of SNP sites in this study, we were also able to use spermwhole-genome sequences to create a *de novo* assembly as an alternative basis for downstream genetic linkage map construction. Our results show that although this map is less marker dense than the one generated with the existing *Daphnia* reference assembly, the correct number of linkage groups is recovered. More importantly, it should be noted that this represents an extreme situation in which there are no previous genomic resources at all. As a result, the quality of the genetic map can be significantly improved by incorporating a few more paired-end and mate-pair sequencing libraries into the *de novo* assembly process. The discussion below focuses only on the genetic map generated using the existing *Daphnia* genomic reference assembly.

Our experimental workflow heavily relies on FACS for isolating single sperm. There are a few other alternative approaches for isolating single cells such as manual micro-manipulation and laser dissection (Macaulay and Voet 2014). However, to achieve accurate isolation of single cells in a high-throughput manner, FACS provides a highly reliable platform with advantages that alternative approaches cannot offer. Considering that the small size of *Daphnia* sperm (a length of ~2–3 μm , Figure 1) makes them indistinguishable from dust particles if they were sorted only by size on the flow cytometer, we stained sperm cells with a Hoechst dye, which binds to double-stranded DNA. Combining sorting by size and wavelength of fluorescence emission on the flow cytometer ensures highly accurate and rapid isolation of single sperm. For example, it takes only ~1 hr to sort ~1000 single sperm and the accuracy for single-cell isolation is 100% in our data set (see *Materials and Methods*).

A major concern with whole-genome amplifying an extremely small amount of DNA in a single cell is the uneven amplification on different regions of the genome, which can lead to biased genome-wide coverage (for a recent review see Macaulay and Voet 2014). A major reason that we chose MALBAC in our workflow is that this procedure limits the further amplification of the genomic regions that are amplified early on in the reaction, resulting in much improved coverage across the genome (Zong *et al.* 2012). Although the average breadth of coverage across the sperm samples is only 52.8% of the resolved region in the reference assembly, the mapped scaffolds cover 90.0% of the resolved regions. Therefore, with this efficient amplification procedure, our genetic map achieves the goal of encompassing as much actual genome sequence as possible.

Table 1 Comparison between the sperm-based genetic map for *D. pulex* and the microsatellite genetic map for *D. arenata* (Cristescu *et al.* 2006)

	<i>D. pulex</i> map	<i>D. arenata</i> map
Total map distance (Kosambi cM)	1451	1206
No. of markers	1672	185
No. of scaffolds mapped	187	73
Basepairs of genome mapped (Mbp)	131.9	73.9
Average intermarker distance (cM)	0.87	7

The statistics for the *D. arenata* map were compiled from Cristescu *et al.* (2006) and Colbourne *et al.* (2011).

These state-of-the-art technologies greatly aided our generation of an ultradense male-specific genetic map for *D. pulex* based on short-read sequencing, yielding a substantial improvement over the previous microsatellite-based *Daphnia* genetic map (Table 1), which actually required substantially more work. The total genetic map distance of the new map is 1451 Kosambi cM, slightly greater than that of the *D. arenata* map (1206 cM) and similar to *D. magna* (1483 cM; Routtu *et al.* 2014). This map anchors to chromosomes 187 scaffolds (131.9 Mbp), in comparison to 73 anchored scaffolds (73.9 Mb) from the *D. arenata* map. Furthermore, the new map provides much refined estimates of the recombination rate between markers (0.87 vs. 7 cM), allowing the mapping of 90% of the *D. pulex* genome to on average <1 cM to the nearest genetic marker. This intermarker distance is also smaller than that in the SNP-based *D. magna* genetic map (1.13 cM; Routtu *et al.* 2014). Therefore, this map provides a framework to examine the role of recombination rate in shaping the various aspects of the genomic architecture of *Daphnia* genome such as patterns of nucleotide substitution and codon usage, which to date have not been explored in detail.

Another goal of this study was to examine whether chromosomal rearrangement is involved in the divergence of *D. pulex* and *D. arenata*. It should be noted that genomic assemblies are not perfect and could contain misassembled regions (e.g., physically distant regions assembled adjacent to each other). Misassembled regions can disrupt the map orders of nearby markers, leading to false conclusions about true genomic rearrangements. In the current map, we observed many cases of split scaffolds and discrepant intrascaffold orderings of markers between genetic and physical maps. Unfortunately, we are not able to distinguish between these assembly errors and true rearrangements for these problematic genomic areas (Figure S1). Nonetheless, given the numerous occurrences of these observations in many different parts of the reference assembly, which was built with only 8.7 \times coverage of Sanger sequencing reads and with little data from long insert mate-pair libraries (Colbourne *et al.* 2011), our observations of aberrant mappings are more likely to reflect assembly errors than true rearrangements.

The most notable difference between the *D. arenata* and *D. pulex* map involves changes between chromosome II and

chromosome XII. The scaffolds mapped to between 0 and 29.9 cM on chromosome II in *D. arenata* are mapped onto chromosome XII in *D. pulex*. Although this may potentially represent an interesting case of chromosomal translocation, a few observations collectively suggest that this is an error from the previous mapping study. First, this map interval in *D. arenata* was affected by segregation distortion (Cristescu *et al.* 2006), showing severe homozygote deficiency for the markers in this region. The map distance between this region and the closest genetic marker in the *D. arenata* map is 40.6 cM, which indicates its weak genetic linkage with the rest of the chromosome (because 50 cM map distance means free recombination). In fact, while the entire scaffold 5 in the reference assembly is unambiguously mapped to chromosome XII in the current map, the *D. arenata* genetic map shows that this scaffold is split between chromosome II and XII, indicating potential problems in assigning genetic markers to chromosomes.

Because of the high heterozygosity in the *Daphnia* genome and the great number of heterozygous sites recovered from single-sperm whole-genome sequencing, our data set offers a great opportunity to locate genomic intervals containing the breakpoints for crossover events and gene-conversion tracts. However, accomplishing such a task requires a reference assembly that embodies the correct physical order of all nucleotide sites in the genome. Because of the great number of potentially problematic assembled regions in the current *Daphnia* assembly, we are working on a *de novo* assembly for the PA42 *D. pulex* isolate using the sperm sequencing strategy in combination with a range of sequencing libraries with different insert sizes. In fact, there is a growing interest in using genome sequences of mapping panels to facilitate *de novo* genome assembly and alleviate problems of falsely assembling the two divergent alleles of the same locus into paralogous loci (Hahn *et al.* 2014). With the new genome assembly, we will hopefully gain sufficient power to reveal the genomic location of crossover and gene-conversion events and characterize the possible genetic elements that control the occurrence of recombination events.

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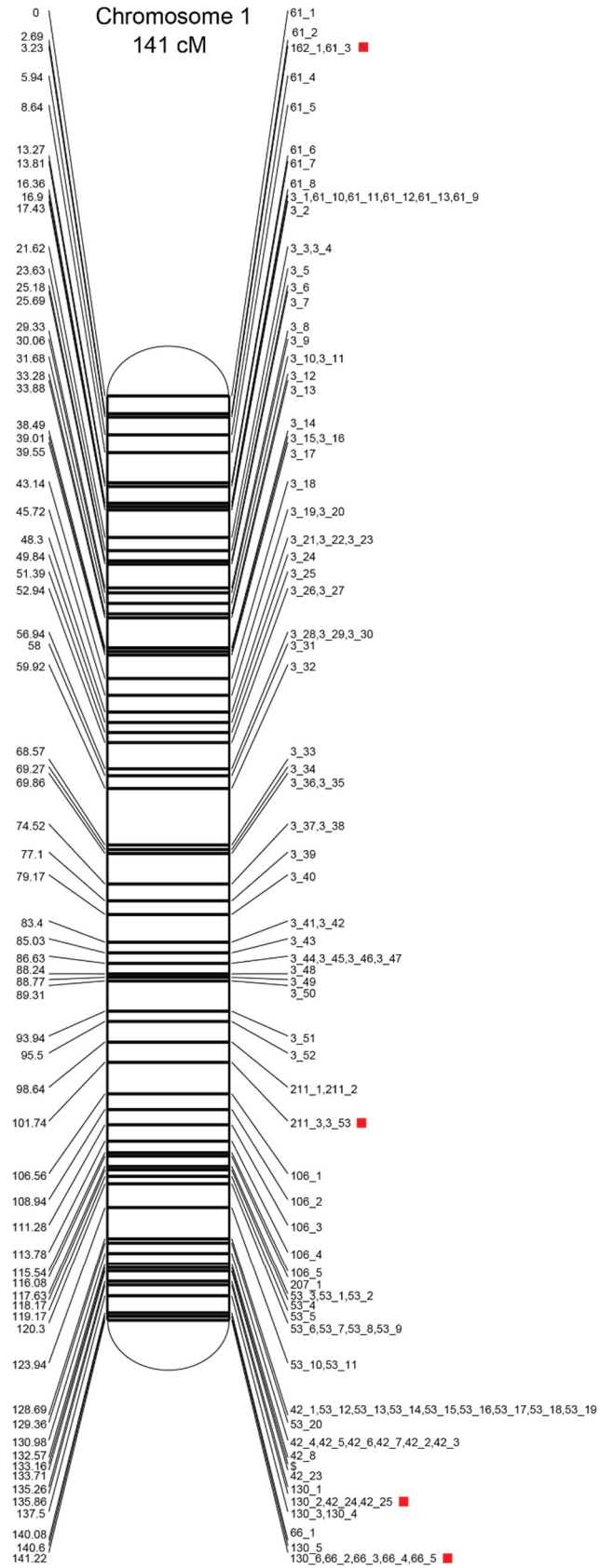
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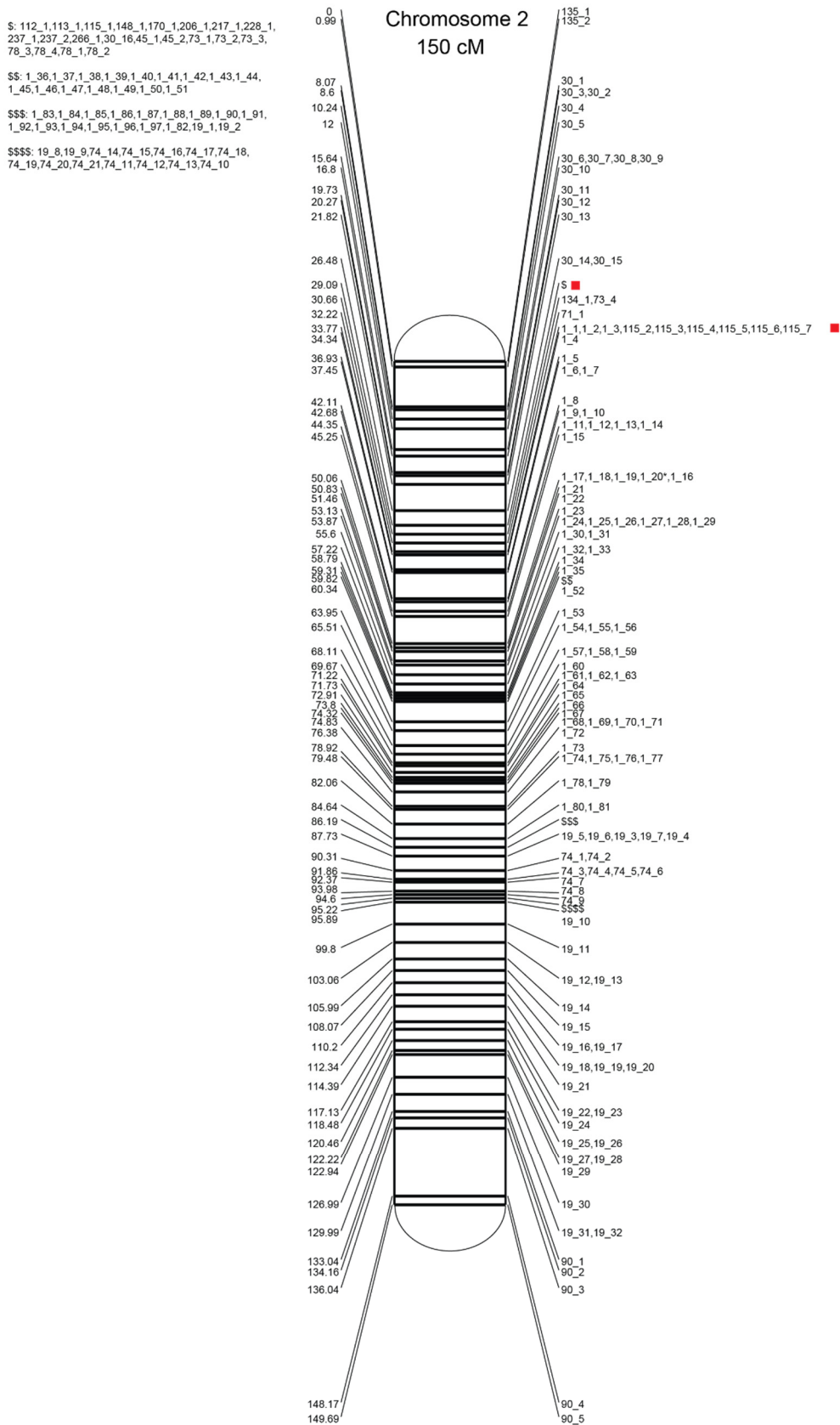
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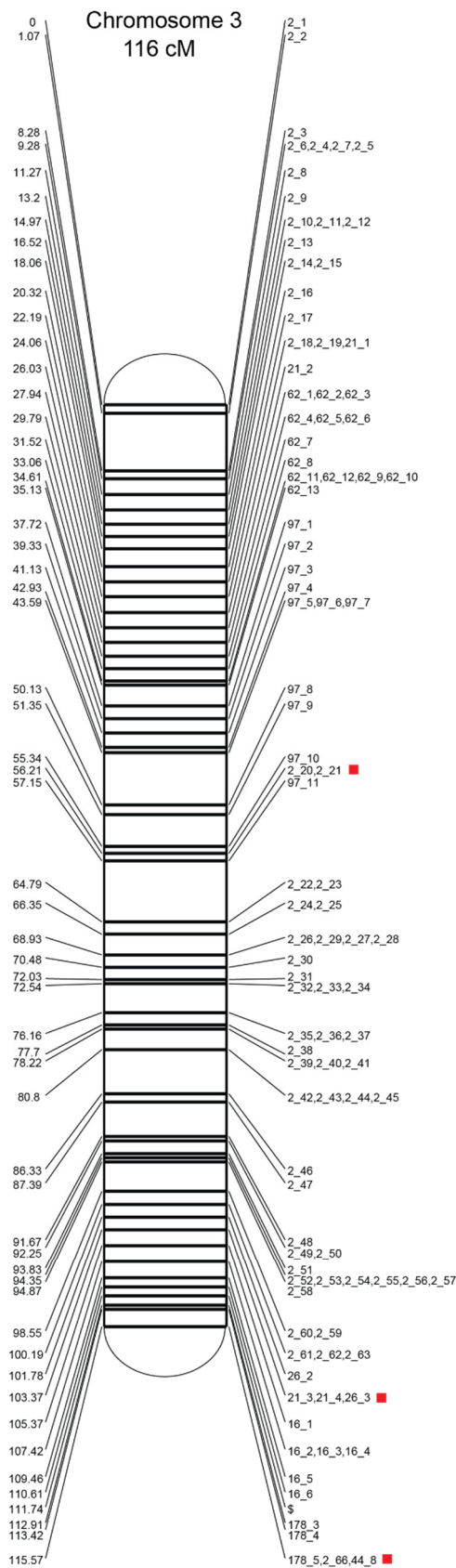
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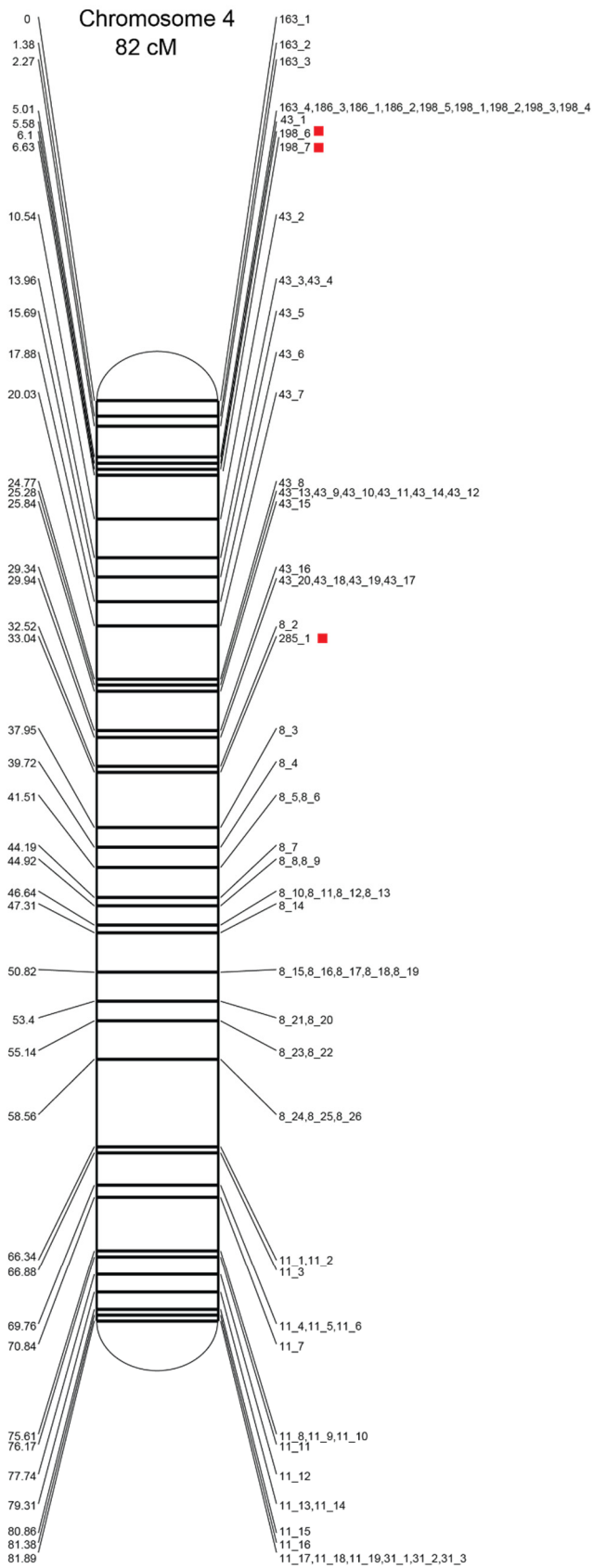
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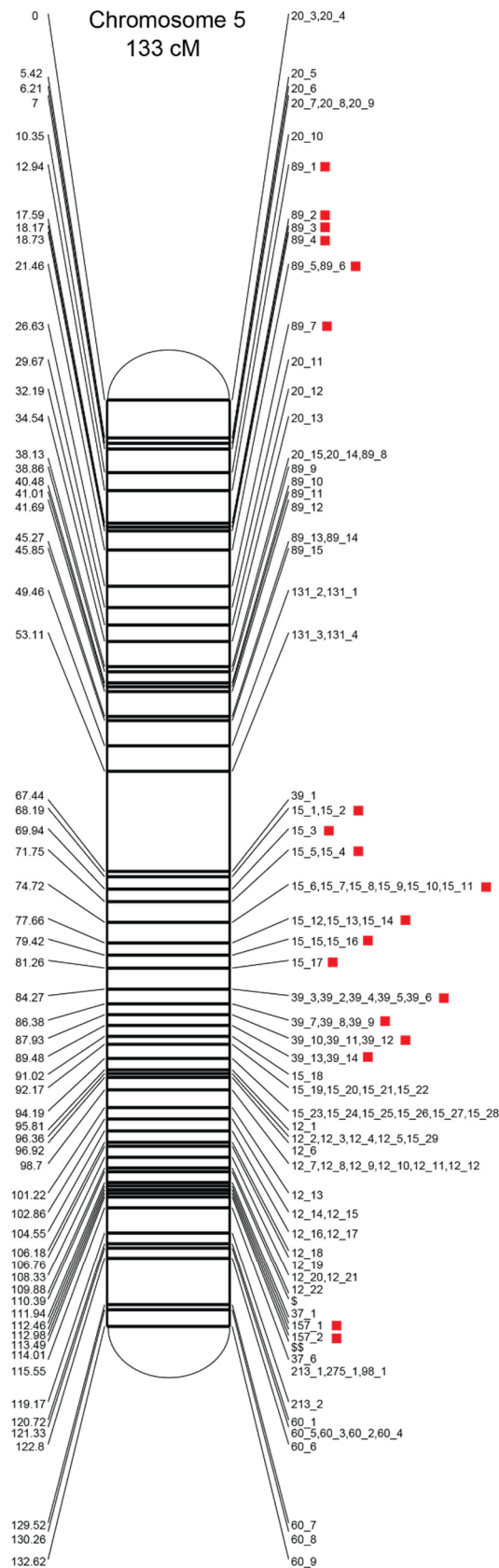
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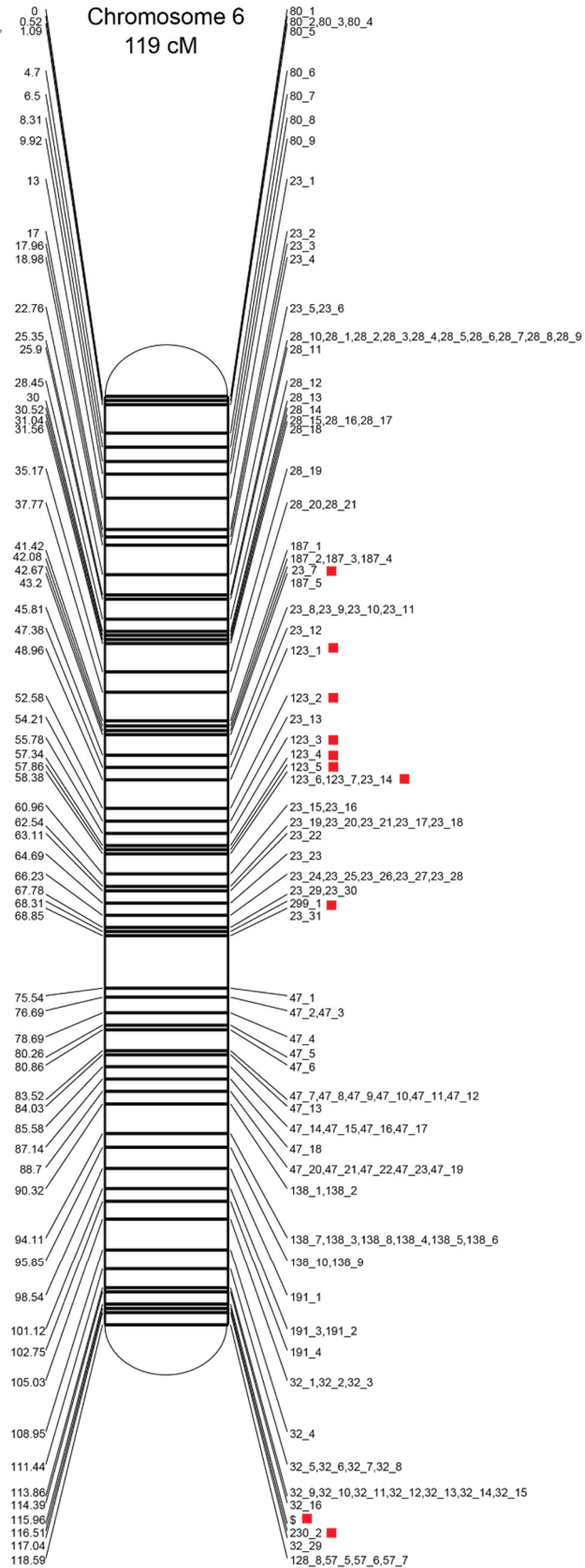


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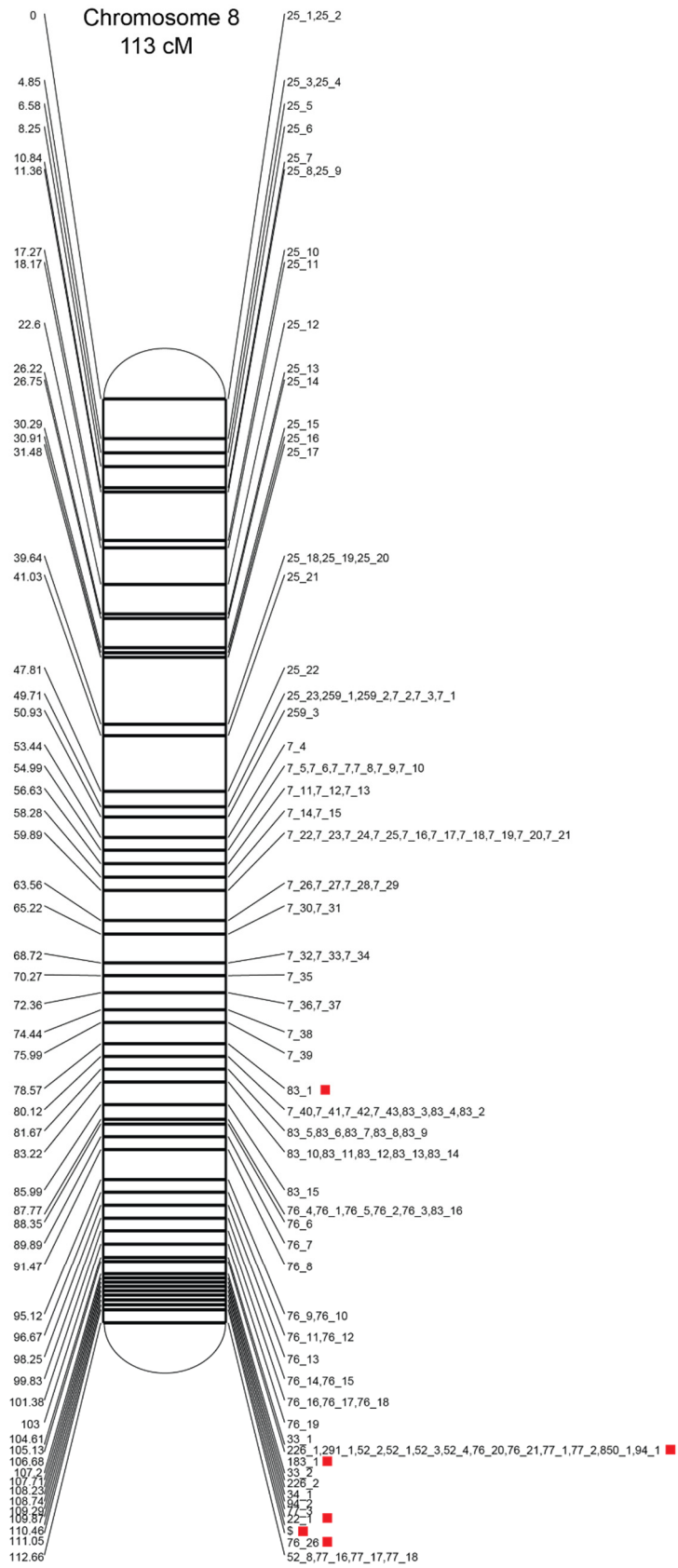


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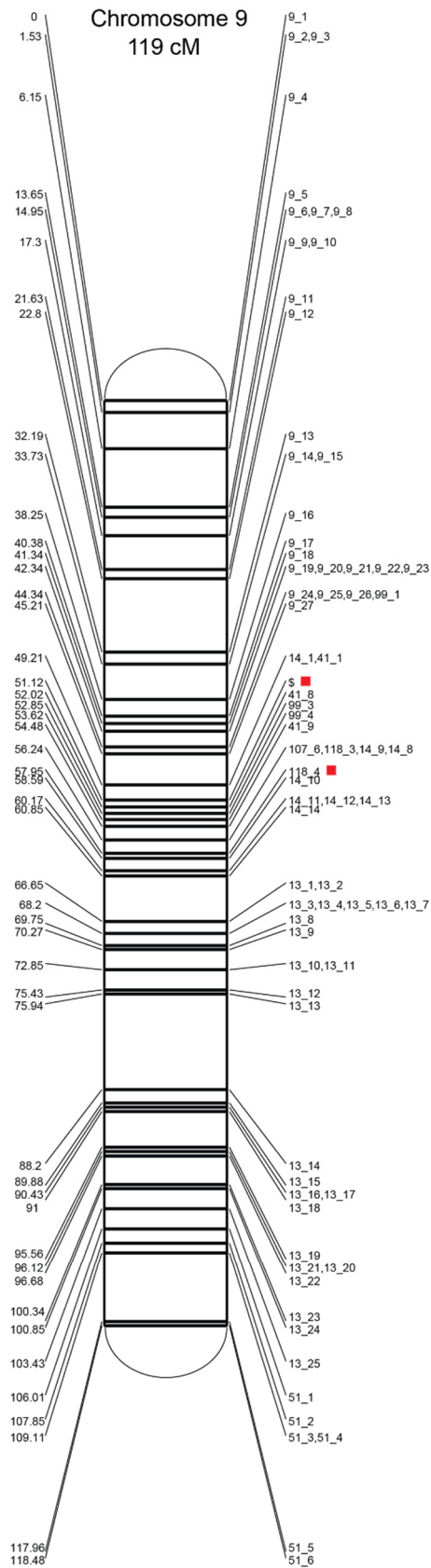


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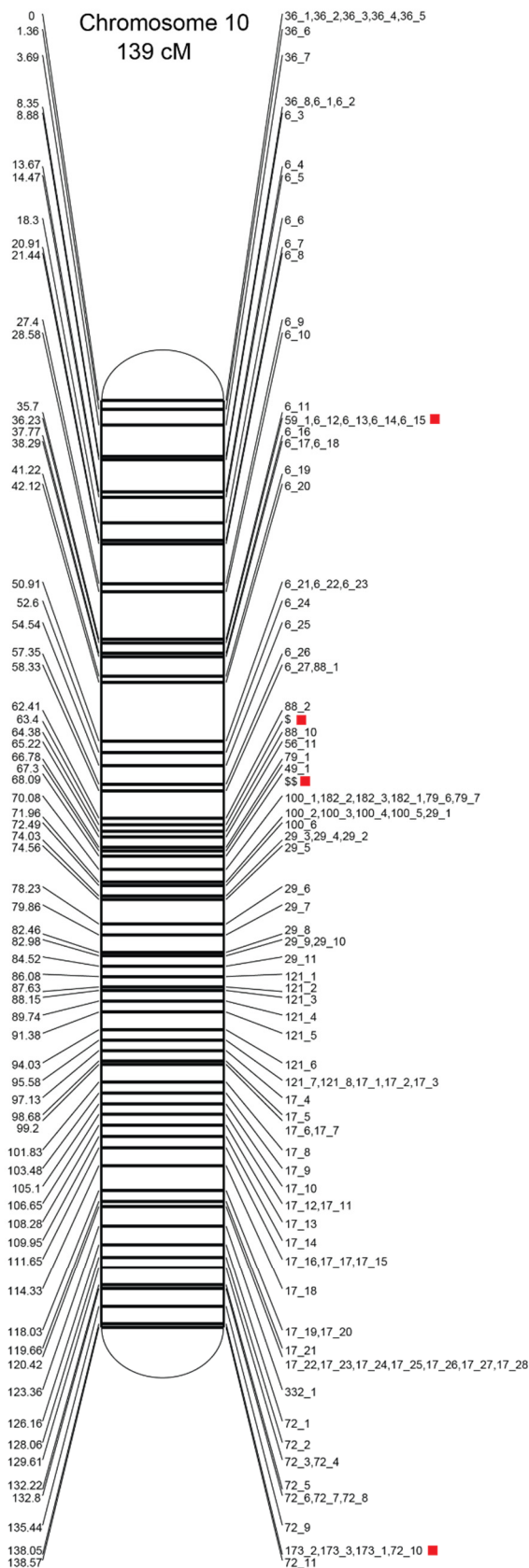


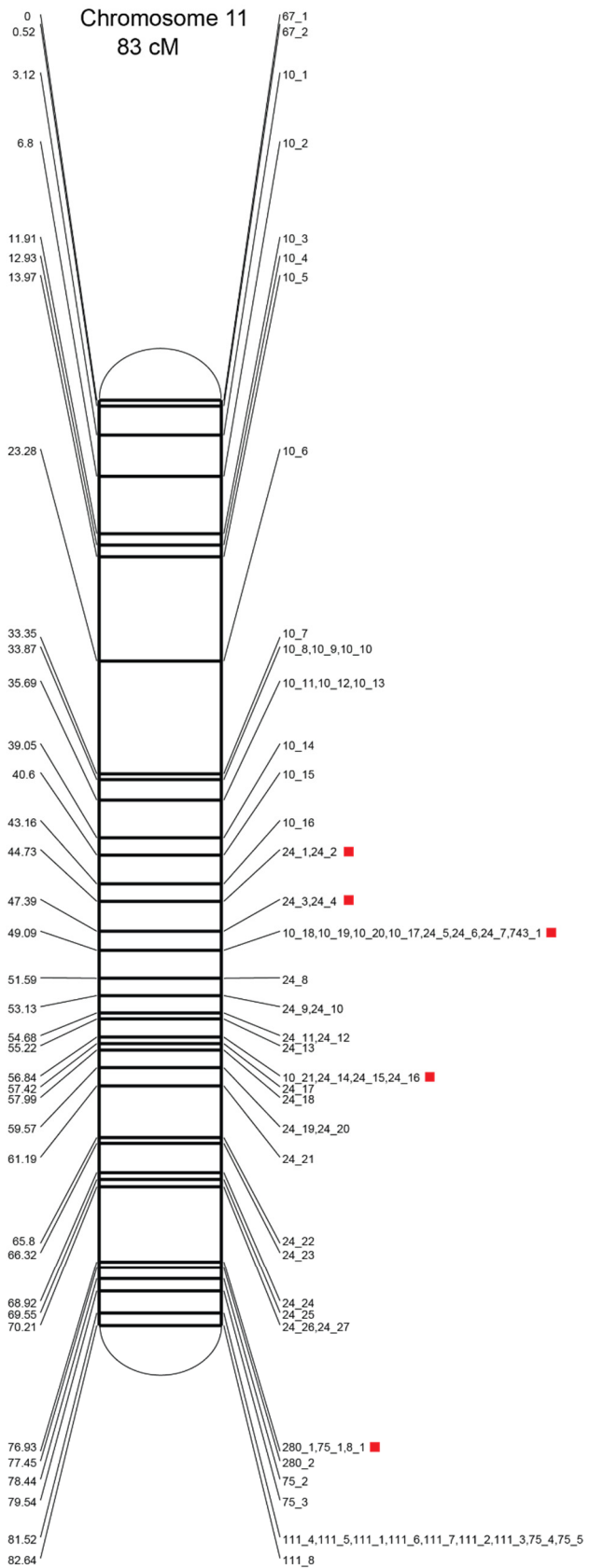
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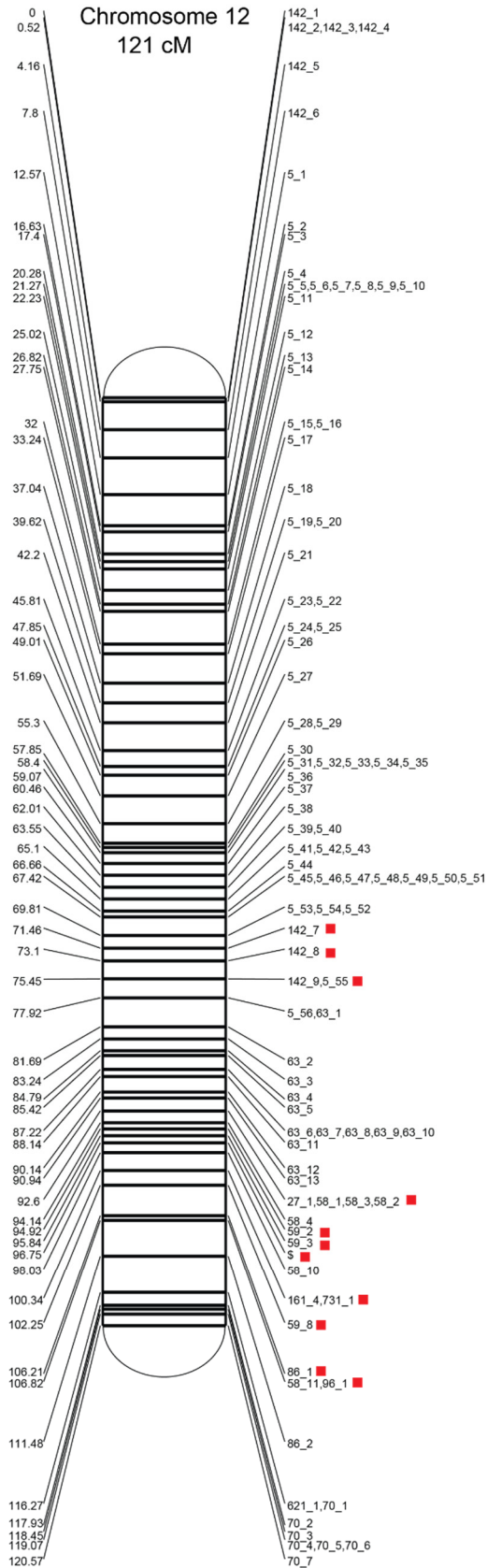
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Files S1-S4

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File S1. The raw text output file for the genetic map of *D. pulex*.

File S2. Python script phasingHaplotype.py to generate haplotype blocks and input file for MSTmap software. For usage and input data format, please see beginning of the file.

File S3. MareyMap database created by combining the genetic map data and the current *Daphnia* reference assembly.

File S4. The raw text output file for the genetic map based on sperm *de novo* assembly.

File S5

Supplementary material

Method for haplotype block reconstruction

The first step in the construction of our genetic map is to remove sites where very few of the sperm have SNP calls. When very few sperm samples were sequenced at a site, it becomes difficult to detect recombination events between a pair of sites since they may be no sperm sequenced at both sites. Once these sites are removed, the remaining polymorphic sites that are adjacent to each other in the reference assembly are clustered into blocks that show no evidence of recombination, and then these blocks are phased in order to minimize the number of recombination events. Whether a recombination event occurs between two sites can be easily checked by counting the number of haplotypes that occur at each site. If only two haplotypes occur, then there is no evidence that a recombination event occurred between these sites. Then they are joined together into a longer haplotype block. Each haplotype block is extended to include all adjacent sites for which there is evidence of only two haplotypes. When a third haplotype is detected, a new block is created and the procedure is repeated. Once all the haplotype blocks are established, they are phased to minimize the number of recombination events occurring between adjacent haplotype blocks. This can be easily accomplished since each haplotype block has only two potential phases, and we assume that each haplotype block is in the phases that gives a lower number of recombination events with the upstream block. Since haplotype blocks are constructed under the assumption that sites adjacent to each other in the reference assembly are separated by very little genetic distance, it is not expected a large number of recombination events occurring between adjacent blocks. When this does occur, we can mask the downstream haplotype block which has an excessive number of recombination events and

ignore this haplotype block for phasing purposes. Finally, the adjacent haplotype blocks that are not affected by recombination events need to be placed into the same parental or maternal phases so that the MST software, which assumes that the parental and maternal identity of markers are known, can be used to construct a genetic map.