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Software and code

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Data collection

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trimmomatic v 0.36
fastp v0.20
trinity v2.4
SPADES 3.0.0
GATB-Minia Pipeline v. release 4/1/2020 (https://github.com/GATB/minia)
AUGUSTUS v.3.4 (github.com/Gaius-Augustus/Augustus
Orthograph v.0.7.1 https://github.com/mptrsen/Orthograph)
OMA v 2.4.1 https://omabrowser.org/oma/home/
Google Scholar
    
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Data analysis

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Culicitree github page (https://github.com/jsoghigian/culicitree)
BLAST https://blast.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/
DAMBE7 http://dambe.bio.uottawa.ca/DAMBE/dambe.
R v4.1
ggplot2 3.4.1
IQTree 1.4.2
ape 5.4.1
FigTree v 1.4.4
ASTRAL -II
MCMCTree (http://abacus.gene.ucl.ac.uk/software/paml.html)
mcmc3r (https://github.com/dosreislab/mcmc3r)
    
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ggtree v3.2 (<https://guangchuangyu.github.io/software/ggtree/>)
 deeptime v0.2.3(<https://github.com/deeptime-ml/deeptime>)
 TACT v0.4.1 -Taxonomy Aided Complete Trees (<https://pypi.org/project/tact/>)
 phangorn v2.11 (<https://github.com/KlausVigo/phangorn>)
 geomorph ver. 4.0.1
 phyloSignal ver 1.3
 phytools package ver 1.0-1

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The nucleotide sequence data reported herein are archived in the NCBI, NIH SRA (Sequence Read Archive) under SRA Bioproject Number PRJNA907815. The phylogenetic trees generated in this study are available on our GitHub (<https://github.com/jsoghigian/culicitree>), DOI:10.5281/zenodo.8212811. Nucleotide and amino acid alignments we analyzed, along with input files we used for analyses conducted in R, are available on Figshare, DOI: 10.6084/m9.figshare.23826144. We used publicly available genomes and transcriptomes for ortholog catalog creation, summarized here: Anopheles (Cellia) gambiae (AgamP4.11, [https://vectorbase.org/vectorbase/app/record/dataset/TMPTX_agamPimperena]), An. (Anopheles) atroparvus (AatrE3.1, [https://vectorbase.org/vectorbase/app/record/dataset/TMPTX_aatrEBRO]), An. (Nyssorynchus) albimanus (AalbS2.6, [https://vectorbase.org/vectorbase/app/record/dataset/TMPTX_aalbSTECLA]), An. (Lophophodomys) squamifemur (Asqu1.1, which we assembled early in the project), Aedes aegypti (AaegL5.1, [https://vectorbase.org/vectorbase/app/record/dataset/TMPTX_aaegLVP_AGWG]) and Aedes albopictus (AaloF1.2, [https://vectorbase.org/vectorbase/app/record/dataset/TMPTX_aalbFoshan]), Culex quinquefasciatus (CqipJ2_4, [https://vectorbase.org/vectorbase/app/record/dataset/TMPTX_cquiJohannesburg]), and two transcriptomes from Toxorhynchites amboinensis ([https://figshare.com/articles/dataset/Sequence_and_functional_annotation_of_T_amboinensis_genes/1092617]) and Tripteroides aranoides (GGBM00000000.1, [<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/nucleotide/GGBM00000000.1>]). The mosquito bloodmeal data we analyzed is provided as Supplementary Data 4. Specimen data, including collection locale or relevant publication, is available in Supplementary Data 2.

Human research participants

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Population characteristics	<input type="text" value="NA"/>
Recruitment	<input type="text" value="NA"/>
Ethics oversight	<input type="text" value="NA"/>

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Ecological, evolutionary & environmental sciences study design

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Study description	Phylogenomic analysis of orthologous nuclear gene loci obtained by anchored hybrid enrichment (AHE, exon capture) are used to reconstruct phylogenetic relationships among diverse species of mosquitoes (Diptera:Culicidae). The phylogenetic data, tree estimates, and biogeographic, fossil and bloodhost records are used to test hypotheses about the timing, distribution and historical pattern of host use specialization in the family.
Research sample	Mosquito specimens from collaborating laboratories and natural history collections were used to extract genomic DNA from individual specimens for anchored hybridization and high throughput sequencing. Nuclear gene orthologs were identified bioinformatically through comparison using published gene models and public databases. All blood-host information was taken from the published scientific literature.

Sampling strategy	Multiple species were selected to represent each established mosquito tribe in the classification. In large genera containing multiple human disease vectoring species.
Data collection	Data were collected by DNA extraction, library preparation, anchored enrichment and DNA sequencing using HiSeq4000 or NovaSeq6000 at the NC State University Genomic Sciences Laboratory. These procedures were carried by Brian K. Cassel, Charles Sither and the NCSU Genome Sciences laboratory.
Timing and spatial scale	Data were collected from individual mosquito specimens routinely and without time dependency in specific laboratory and sequencing experiments in 2019, 2020 and 2021.
Data exclusions	Only data that were considered to be low - yield DNA quality from DNA capture experiments were excluded from analysis.
Reproducibility	Multiple species were included in which gene capture efficacy and reproducibility can be verified in comparison against public genomic and transcriptomic data (e.g., <i>Aedes aegypti</i> , <i>Anopheles gambiae</i>)
Randomization	Phylogenetic analysis using maximum likelihood or Bayesian analysis uses random selection of taxon addition and initial tree-building to avoid bias in tree search pathways.
Blinding	Blinding is not relevant in analysis of existing genetic variation for phylogenetic purposes.

Did the study involve field work? Yes No

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