

FIGURES S1-S5

To the article:

Sexual selection drives weak positive selection in protamine genes and high promoter divergence, enhancing sperm competitiveness.

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Figure S1. Multiple alignment of protamine 1 sequences. (A) DNA and (B) protein sequences of 10 rodent species. Note that most of the coding variation in protamine 1 sequence corresponds with synonymous substitutions in the protein. Only 3 residues (at position 32, 36 and 51) differentiates *Apodemus sylvaticus* (outgroup) with the species of the ingroup

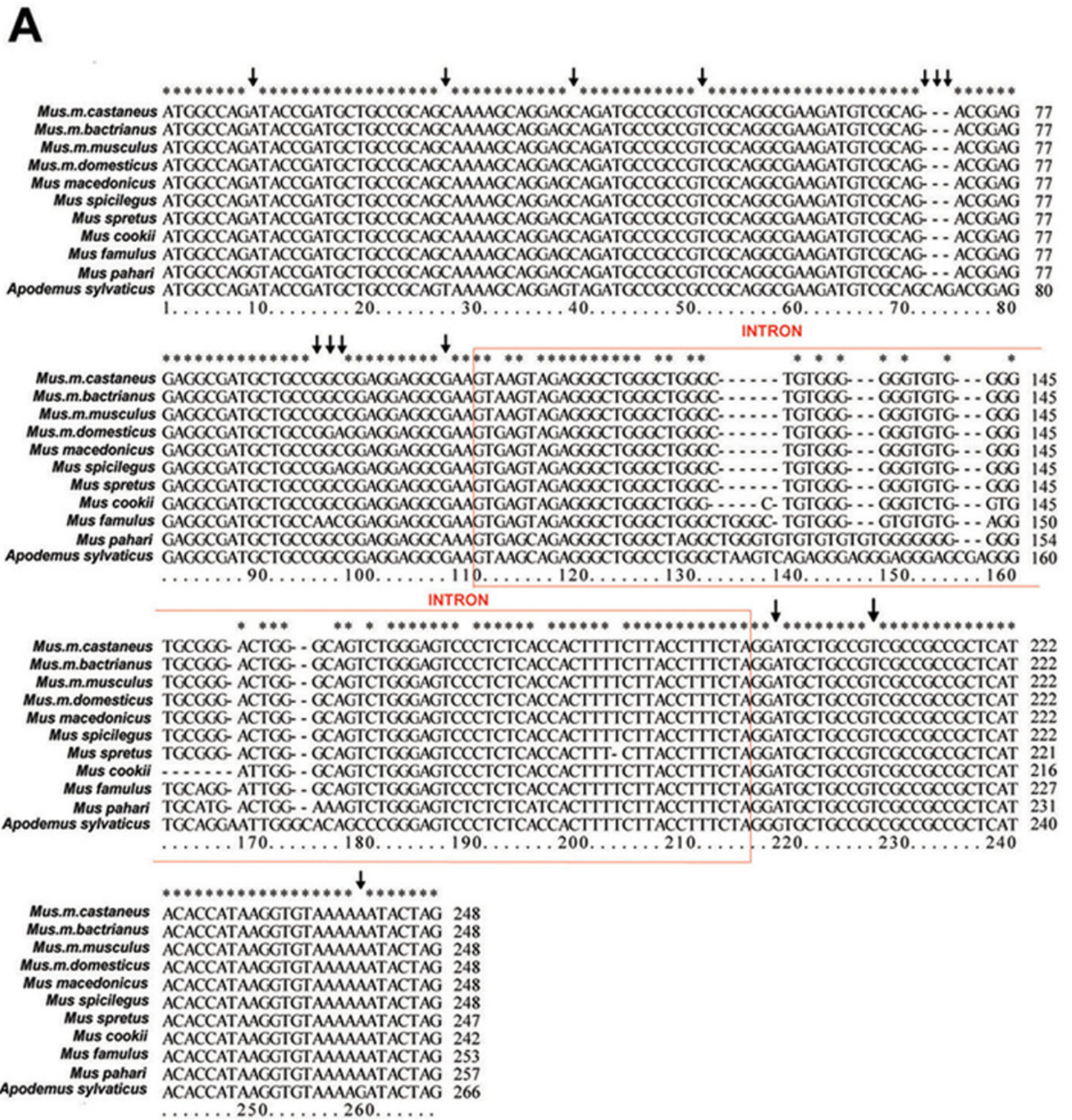
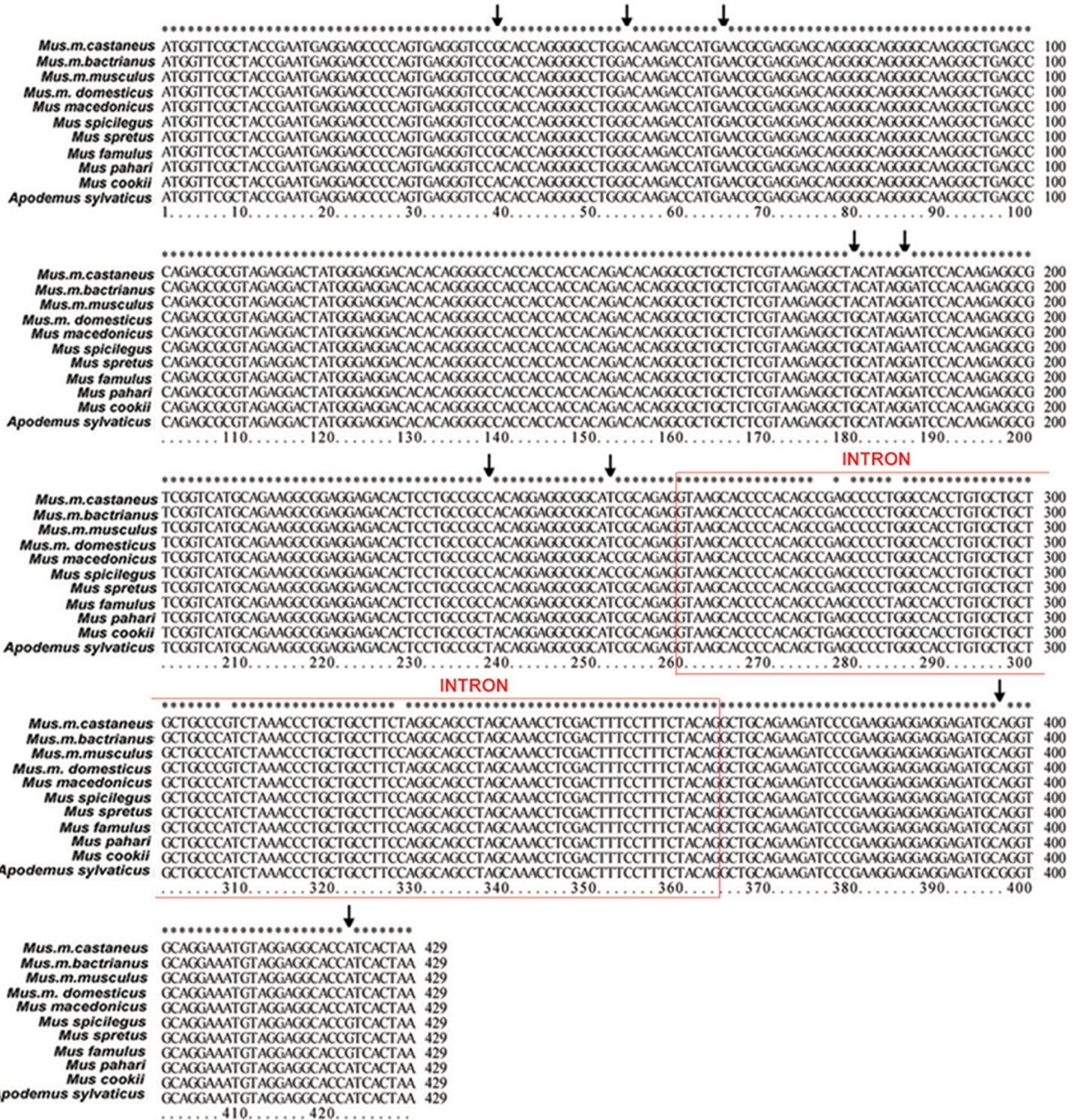


Figure S2. Multiple alignment of protamine 2 sequences. (A) DNA and (B) protein sequences of the 10 rodent species. Sequence alignments show non-synonymous variation at residues 22, 80 and 106. Non-synonymous variation at codon 98 differentiates *Apodemus sylvaticus* (outgroup) from all the (ingroup) species of *Mus*.

A



B



Figure S3. Multiple alignment of protamine I promoter sequences from 10 species of *Mus*.

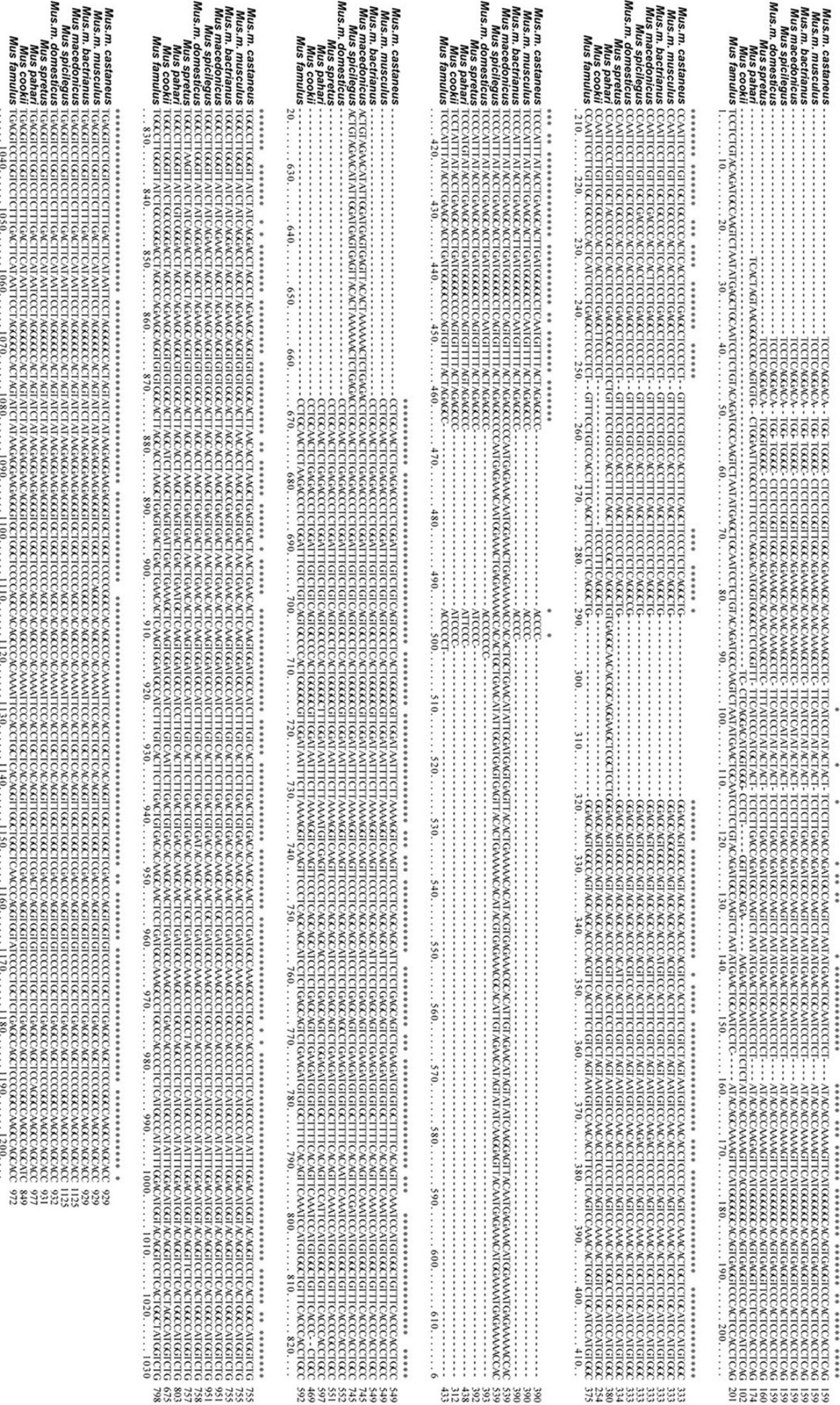


Figure S5. Divergence of promoter sequences. The probability density distribution of branch lengths from 10,000 replicates of protamine 1 promoter (pP1) and protamine 2 promoter (pP2) is shown together with that obtained from the intron sequences. The intron sequence was used as proxy of neutral divergence. *M. spicilegus*, *M. spretus* and *M. macedonicus*, which are the species with highest levels of sperm competition, show the highest lengths in pP2. *M. cookii* and *M. pahari* were excluded from the analysis since their branch lengths remain undefined in the unrooted intron tree built without the information of *Apodemus sylvaticus*.

