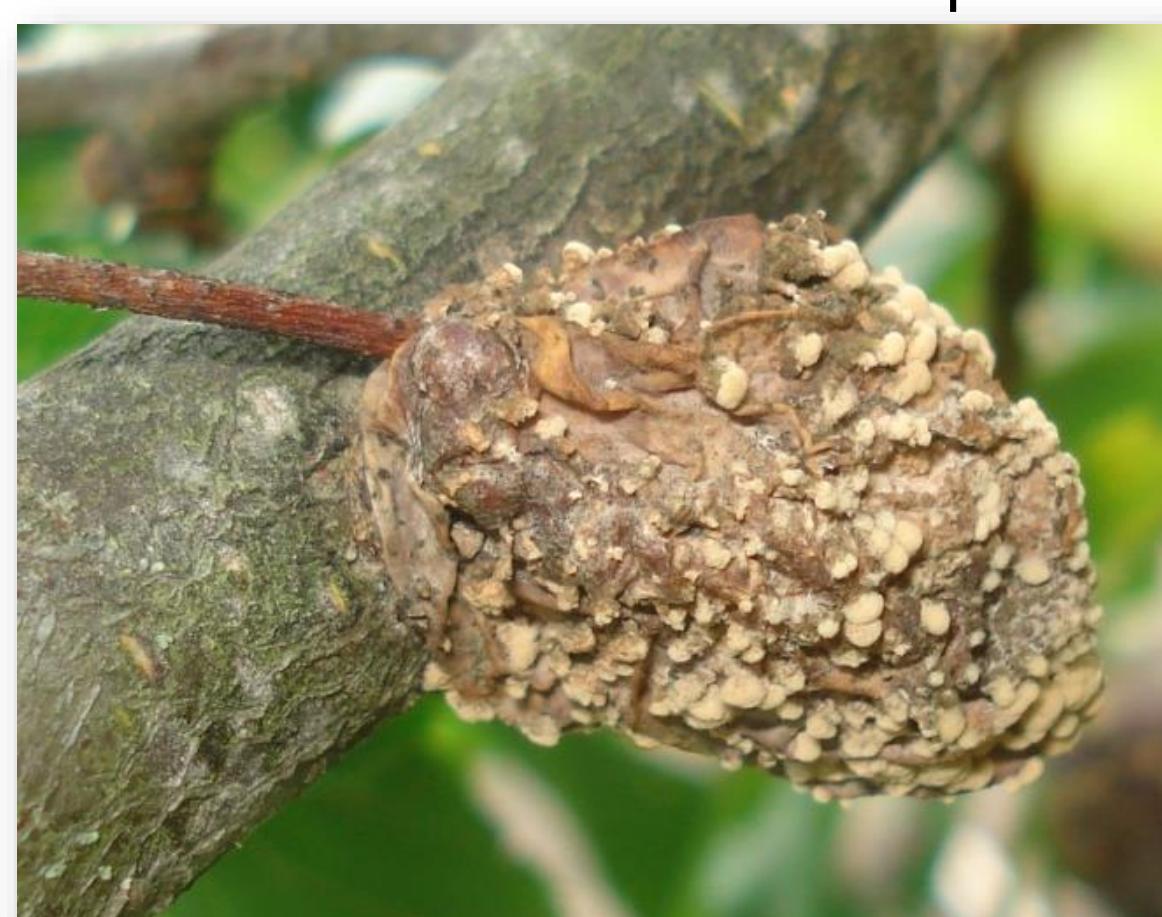


# Tracking of diversity and evolution in the brown rot fungi *Monilinia fructicola*, *Monilinia fructigena*, and *Monilinia laxa*

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*Monilinia fructigena*



*Monilinia fructicola*



*Monilinia laxa*

The most important fungi causing brown rot and blossom blight on fruit trees are *Monilinia laxa*, *Monilinia fructigena* and *Monilinia fructicola*. They are Ascomycetes included in the Sclerotiniaceae family, causing worldwide severe losses on stone and pome fruits production in pre and postharvest.

We generated annotated high-quality draft genomes that can represent useful sources for investigations into the evolutionary history of the *Monilinia* genus within the Sclerotiniaceae family.

***M. fructigena***  
(Landi et al., 2018)

Isolate  
Host  
Total lenght (Mb)  
N° scaffolds  
N° genes  
CDS  
Scaffolds N50 (pb)  
Scaffolds L50  
CG%

**Mfrg269**  
*Prunus domestica*  
43,125,165  
131  
10,502  
10,811  
767,732  
20  
42.10

***M. laxa***  
(Landi et al., 2020)

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Total lenght (Mb)  
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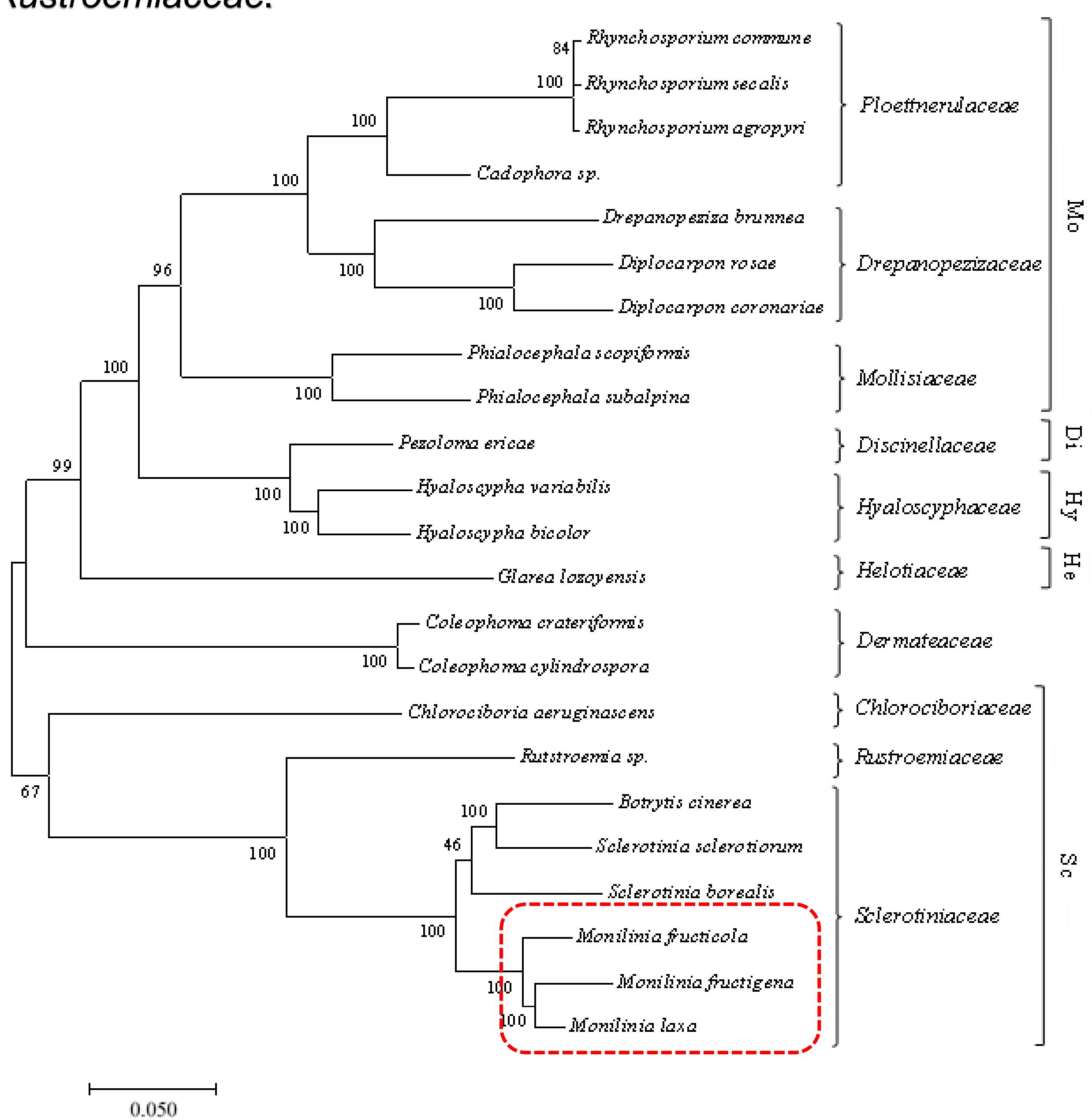
**Mlax316**  
*Prunus avium*  
42,814,844  
49  
11,163  
12,427  
2,449,422  
8  
41.26

***M. fructicola***  
(De Miccolis Angelini et al., 2019)

Isolate  
Host  
Total lenght (Mb)  
N° scaffolds  
N° genes  
CDS  
Scaffolds N50 (pb)  
Scaffolds L50  
CG%

**Mfrc123**  
*Prunus avium*  
44,047,900  
20  
12,118  
13,784  
2,592,823  
7  
40.79

**Phylogenomic analyses** suggest *M. fructicola* genetically distant from *M. laxa* and *M. fructigena*, although the three species likely share a common ancestor. *Botrytis cinerea* and *Sclerotinia sclerotiorum* were the closest related taxa to the *Monilinia* genus in the Junctoriae section, and all were in a monophyletic lineage strictly related to *Rustroemiaceae*.

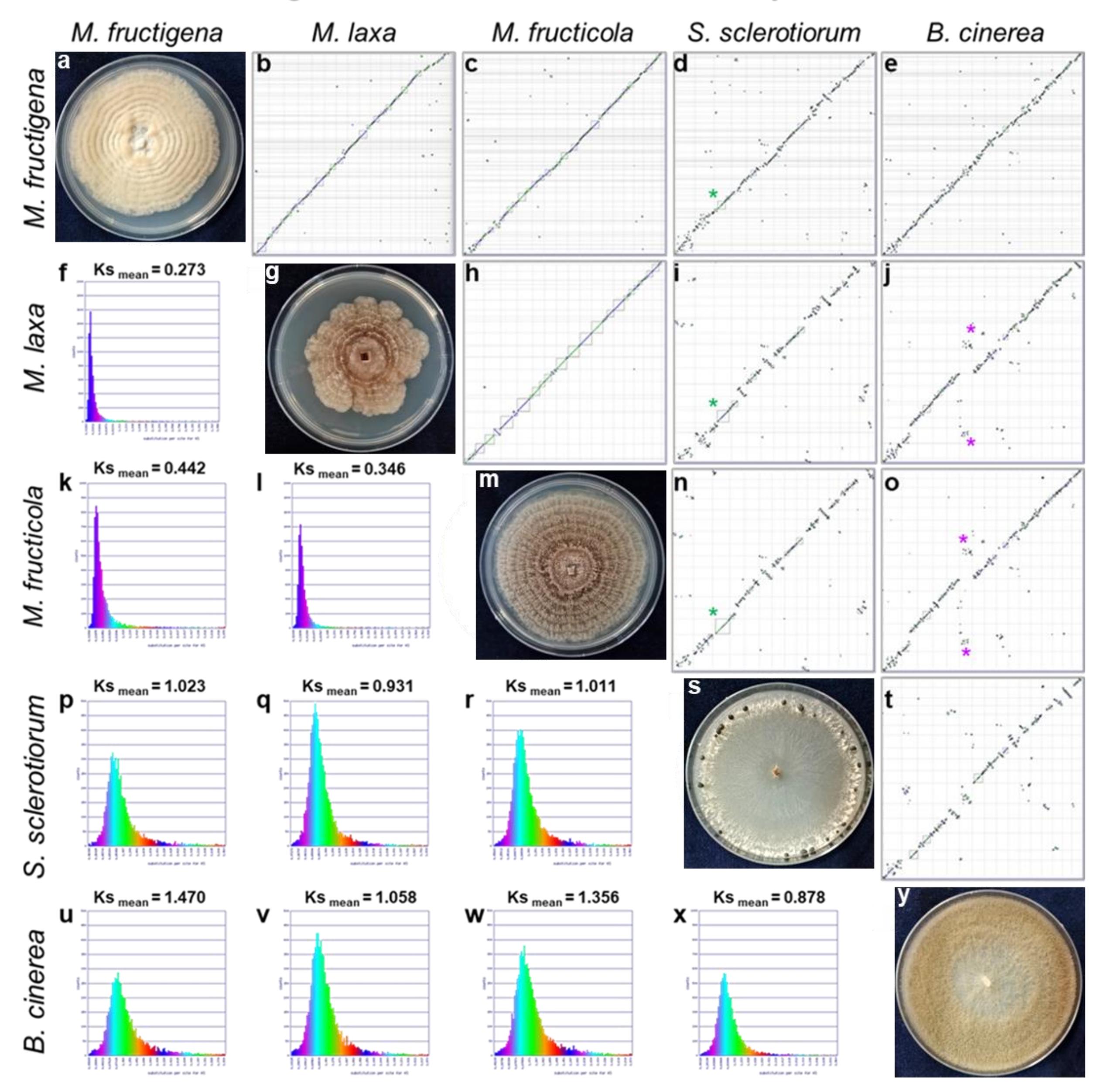


List of species within the order Helotiales submitted to phylogenetic analysis.

Species (Code/strain)	Family <sup>a</sup>	Genbank accession number	Number of annotated proteins
<i>Monilinia fructicola</i> (Mfrc123)	Sclerotiniaceae	GCA_008692225.1	13,749
<i>Monilinia fructigena</i> (Mfrg269)	Sclerotiniaceae	GCA_003260565.1	10,800
<i>Monilinia laxa</i> (Mlax316)	Sclerotiniaceae	GCA_009299455.1	12,424
<i>Botrytis cinerea</i> (B05.10)	Sclerotiniaceae	GCF_000143535.2	13,703
<i>Cadophora</i> sp. (DSE0149)	Ploettnerulaceae	GCA_003073865.1	22,762
<i>Chlorociboria aeruginascens</i> (IHI439)	Chlorociboriaceae	GCA_002276475.2	8,648
<i>Coleophoma cylindrospora</i> (BP6252)	Dermateaceae	GCA_003369665.1	14,177
<i>Coleophoma crateriformis</i> (BP5796)	Dermateaceae	GCA_003369635.1	13,257
<i>Diplocarpon rosae</i> (DortE4)	Drepanopezizaceae	GCA_002317995.1	13,761
<i>Glarea lozoyensis</i> (ATCC 20868)	Helotiaceae	GCA_000409485.1	13,083
<i>Hyaloscypha variabilis</i> (F)	Hyaloscyphaceae	GCA_002865655.1	20,386
<i>Marssonina brunnea</i> (=Drepapoziza brunnea) (MB_m1)	Drepanopezizaceae	GCA_000298775.1	10,027
<i>Marssonina coronariae</i> (=Diplocarpon coronariae) (NL1)	Drepanopezizaceae	GCA_002204255.1	9,355
<i>Melintomyces bicolor</i> (=Hyaloscypha bicolor) (E)	Hyaloscyphaceae	GCA_002865645.1	18,604
<i>Pezoloma ericae</i> (UAMH 7357)	Discinellaceae	GCA_002865625.1	16,783
<i>Phialocephala scopiformis</i> (CBS 120377)	Mollisiaceae	GCA_001500285.1	18,567
<i>Phialocephala subalpina</i> (UAMH 11012)	Mollisiaceae	GCA_900073065.1	20,173
<i>Rhynchosporium agropyri</i> (04CH-RAC-A.6.1)	Ploettnerulaceae	GCA_900074905.1	13,673
<i>Rhynchosporium communis</i> (UK7)	Ploettnerulaceae	GCA_900074885.1	12,211
<i>Rhynchosporium secalis</i> (O2CH-6a.1)	Ploettnerulaceae	GCA_900074895.1	13,145
<i>Rutstroemia</i> sp. (NIJR-2017a BBW)	Rutstroemiaceae	GCA_002946425.1	10,975
<i>Sclerotinia sclerotiorum</i> (1980 UF-70)	Sclerotiniaceae	GCA_001857865.1	11,130
<i>Sclerotinia borealis</i> (F4128)	Sclerotiniaceae	GCA_000503235.1	10,166

<sup>a</sup>According to the CABI database (<http://www.speciesfungorum.org/Names/fundic.asp>)

The syntenic studies confirm the close relationship among the three *Monilinia* genomes. The coding sequence divergence (measured by Ks values) confirmed that *M. laxa* and *M. fructigena* are closely related each other, while *M. fructicola* is somewhat divergent. *Monilinia* genomes were closer to those of *S. sclerotiorum* than *B. cinerea*, and *M. laxa* was the closest to the other tested fungi of the Sclerotiniaceae family.



Syntenic dot plot (b, c, d, e, h, i, j, n, o, t) and synonymous (Ks) analysis (f, k, l, p, q, r, u, v, w, x) of *M. fructigena*, *M. laxa*, *M. fructicola*, *S. sclerotiorum*, and *B. cinerea* genomes. Seven-day-old cultures on PDA are shown on the diagonal (a, g, m, s, y). In dot-plot graphs, horizontal or vertical grey lines delineate scaffolds ordered and oriented according to synteny, using 'Syntenic Path Assembly' (SPA) option (SynMap - COGE GENOME). Each dot represents an orthologous gene pair. Syntenic gene pairs are plotted with colour based on the same forward order (green) or inverted matching (blue). Gray squares underline syntenic blocks. In Ks graphs, younger syntelogs (lower number of synonymous changes) are purple blue coloured (on the leaf), while older syntelogs (higher number of synonymous changes) are cyan-yellow-green coloured (on the right). Fuchsia \* = disjointed alignments was indicated; green \* = largest syntenic block among outgroup genomes and *Monilinia* spp.

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