Complete mitochondrial genome of Indian tent turtle, *Pangshura tentoria* and comparative mitochondriomics

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16 ABSTRACT

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46 INTRODUCTION

The geoemydid turtles are the most ornamental and highly threatened living fauna in the world 47 (Fritz & Havaš, 2007). The genus Pangshura Gray, 1856 belongs to the family Geoemydidae is 48 one of the endangered South and Southeast Asian turtle species (IUCN, 2018). The group is 49 known as a sister group of land tortoises (Family Testudinidae) and comprises about 71 species 50 excepting the new world genera (TTWG, 2017). Most of the geoemydid species are adapted in 51 freshwater eco-system, however, some prefer estuarine or terrestrial habitats (Ernst et al., 2000). 52 In India, 16 geoemydid turtles were distributed in the northern, eastern and northeastern region, 53 and Vijayachelys silvatica is endemic to Western Ghats in Southern part (Buhlmann et al., 2009; 54 Kundu et al., 2018a). The Indian tent turtle, Pangshura tentoria (Gray, 1834) with three living 55 congeners, previously placed with the three large-sized *Kachuga* species for more than a century 56 (Ernst & Barbour, 1989; Das, 1991, 1995) and further resurrected based on morphology and 57 molecular studies (Das, 2001; Praschag et al., 2007). Further, in the recent past the fossils record 58 suggested a new Pangshura species, P. tatrotia from the Pliocene Siwaliks of Pakistan (Walter 59 & Tyler, 2010). Fossil records of Pangshura in deposition of the Siwalik Hills and Narmada 60 61 Valley, demonstrated their existence in India from Pleistocene periods (Baruah et al., 2016). P. tentoria is abundantly distributed in the riverine systems in Bangladesh and northeast India and 62 63 categorized as 'Lower Risk/least concern' in the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) red data list and 'Appendix II' in the Convention on International Trade in Endangered 64 Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES). However, due to the anthropogenic threats, the 65 population of *P. tentoria* has dramatically declined in the northeastern region and other parts in 66 India and thus the species is recommended to be listed in Indian Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 67 (van Dijk et al., 2000). 68

69 The mitochondriomics is evidenced effective in systematics and molecular phylogenetics 70 studies by comparing the unique features of genes inside the mitochondrial genome (Mindell et al., 1999; Parham et al., 2006). The genetic motifs in complete mitogenomes demonstrated the 71 phylogenetic position of turtles compare to other amniotes and suggested the sister relationship 72 of archosaurs (Zardoya & Meyer, 1998; Kumazawa & Nishida, 1999). Till date the complete 73 mitogenomes of 31 geoemydid turtles under seven genera (Family: Geoemydidae) has been 74 assembled throughout the world and are available in GenBank database. However, the complete 75 mitochondrial genome of genus *Pangshura* has not been assembled so far and unknown to the 76

world. Further, the structural features of genes and their arrangements and strand asymmetry, and
inversion of the CR in mitogenomes are worthwhile to demonstrate the genomic characteristics
and adjudicated the phylogenetic relationship (*San Mauro et al., 2006; Wei et al., 2010; Shi et al., 2013; Fonseca et al., 2014*). Thus, the present study was aimed to elucidate the detailing of *P. tentoria* mitogenomes and performed the comparative analysis with other geoemydid turtles
for in-depth insights in phylogeny and evolutionary relationship.

83 MATERIALS AND METHODS

84 Sample collection and mitochondrial DNA extraction

The survey was conducted in northeast India, and P. tentoria sample was collected from 85 Arunachal Pradesh state (Longitude 27°30' N and latitude 95°59' E) (Fig. S1). Prior permission 86 was acquired from the wildlife authority, Arunachal Pradesh Biodiversity Board (Letter No. 87 88 SFRI/APBB/09-2011-1221-1228 dated 22.07.2016) and Zoological Survey of India, Kolkata (Letter No. ZSI/MSD/CDT/2016-17 dated 29.07.2016) for handling the threatened animal. The 89 90 blood sample was collected aseptically from the hind limbs by using micro-syringe and subsequently stored in EDTA containing vial at 4°C. The specimen was released in the same 91 92 eco-system with adequate attention after collecting the biological sample. A drop of blood sample was centrifuged at 700X g for 5 min at 4°C in 1 ml buffer (0.32 M Sucrose, 1 mM 93 94 EDTA, 10 mM TrisHCl) to remove nuclei and cell debris. The supernatant was collected in 1.5 ml eppendorf tubes and centrifuged at 12000X g for 10 min at 4°C to precipitate the 95 96 mitochondria. The mitochondrial pellet was resuspended in 200 µl of buffer (50mM TrisHCl, 25mM of EDTA, 150mM NaCl), with the addition of 20 µl of proteinase K (20 mg/ml) followed 97 by incubation at 56 °C for 1 hour. Lastly, the mitochondrial DNA was extracted by 98 Qiagen DNeasy Blood & Tissue Kit (QIAGEN Inc., Germantown MD). The DNA quality was 99 100 checked in a 1% agarose gel electrophoresis and the concentration of mitochondrial DNA was quantified by NANODROP 2000 spectrophotometer (Thermo Scientific, USA). 101

102 Genome sequencing, assembly and annotation

Complete mitochondrial genome sequencing, *denovo* assembly and annotation were carried out
at Genotypic Technology Pvt. Ltd. Bangalore, India (<u>http://www.genotypic.co.in/</u>). 200ng of
DNA was used in Illumina TruSeq Nano DNA HT library preparation kit for library assembly.
The purified A-tailed fragments were ligated with the sequencing indexed adapters after the
fragmentation of mitochondrial DNA by ultra-sonication (Covaris M220, Covaris Inc., Woburn,

MA, USA). 450bp of fragments were selected using sample purification beads and amplified by 108 polymerase chain reaction (PCR) to enrich it. The amplified PCR library was analyzed by 109 Bioanalyzer 2100 (Agilent Technologies, Inc., Waldbronn, Germany) using High Sensitivity 110 DNA chips. After obtaining the required concentration and mean peak size, total >4 million raw 111 reads were generated through Illumina NextSeq500 (150 X 2 chemistry) (Illumina, Inc, USA). 112 The raw reads were processed using cutadapt tool (http://code.google.com/p/cutadapt/) for 113 adapters and low quality bases trimming with cutoff of phread quality score of Q20 and 114 sequencing depth was > -71000X. The high quality reads were down sampled to 2 million reads 115 using seqtk program (https://github.com/lh3/seqtk) and down sampled high quality reads 116 were denovo assembled using SPAdes-3.7.1. using default parameters (Bankevich et al., 2012). 117 The fasta-formatted mitochondrial genome assembly was performed by aligning the contigs 118 119 against the non-redundant nucleotide database of GenBank using the BLASTn search algorithm (http://blast.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Blast). The assembled contigs were homology searched against the 120 Refseq database (https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/refseq/). The generated sequence annotation was 121 also checked in MITOS online server (http://mitos.bioinf.uni-leipzig.de). The DNA sequences of 122 123 PCGs were initially translated into the putative amino acid sequences on the basis of the genetic code of vertebrate mitochondrial genome (Fig. S2). The generated mitogenome was submitted in 124 125 the GenBank of National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI) through the Sequin submission tool. 126

127 Genome characterization and comparative analysis

The circular representation of the generated complete mitochondrial genome of *P. tentoria* was 128 mapped by CGView Server (http://stothard.afns.ualberta.ca/cgview server/) with default 129 parameters (Grant & Stothard, 2008). The representative of 31 geoemydid turtle's mitogenomes 130 131 were downloaded on 9th June 2018 from GenBank and incorporated in the dataset for 132 comparative analysis (Table S1). The six mitogenome sequences from different taxonomic hierarchy of Testudines were also acquired from GenBank for in-depth phylogenetic analysis. 133 The genome size and comparative analysis of nucleotide composition were calculated using 134 MEGA6.0 (Tamura et al., 2013). The direction and arrangements of each gene were also 135 checked through MITOS online server (http://mitos.bioinf.uni-leipzig.de). The overlapping 136 regions and intergenic spacers between genes were counted manually in Microsoft Excel. The 137 start and stop codons of PCGs were checked through Open Reading Frame Finder 138

(https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/orffinder/) web tool. The comparative analysis of relative 139 synonymous codon usage (RSCU), relative abundance of amino acids, and codons distribution 140 were calculated using MEGA6.0. The synonymous (Ks) and non-synonymous (Ka) substitutions 141 were calculated by DnaSPv5.0 (Librado & Rozas, 2009). The tRNA genes were verified in 142 MITOS online server (http://mitos.bioinf.uni-leipzig.de), tRNAscan-SE Search Server 2.0 143 (http://lowelab.ucsc.edu/tRNAscan-SE/) and ARWEN 1.2 with the default settings (Laslett & 144 Canbäck, 2008; Lowe & Chan, 2016). The large and small subunits of RNA (rrnL and rrnS) 145 were annotated by the MITOS online server (http://mitos.bioinf.uni-leipzig.de). The tandem 146 repeats in the control regions (CR) were predicted by the online Tandem Repeats Finder web 147 tool (https://tandem.bu.edu/trf/trf.html) (Benson, 1999). The base composition skewness were 148 calculated as described earlier: AT skew = [A-T]/[A+T], GC skew = [G-C]/[G+C] (Perna & 149 Kocher, 1995). To assess the phylogenetic relationship, the PCGs were aligned individually by 150 codons using MAFFT algorithm and concatenated in TranslatorX with L-INS-i strategy with 151 default settings (Abascal et al., 2010). The best model for Maximum Likelihood (ML) analysis 152 was calculated through MEGA6.0 program and 'GTR+G+I' model was selected with the lowest 153 154 Bayesian information criterion (BIC) scores in MEGA6.0. The database sequence of Chelus fimbriata, family Chelidae (suborder: Pleurodira) was incorporated as an out-group in the 155 156 phylogenetic analysis (Fig. S2).

157 RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

158 General genome features and organization

In this study, the complete mitogenomes, (16657 bp) of Indian tent turtle, *P. tentoria* was 159 determined. The mitogenome encode by 37 genes, among them 13 were PCGs, 22 were tRNAs, 160 two were rRNAs, and a major non-coding CR. Among these, 28 genes (12 PCGs, 14 tRNAs and 161 162 two rRNAs) were located on the heavy strand and the remaining genes (nad6 and eight tRNAs) 163 were located on the light strand (Table 1, Fig. 1). The study depicted the gene rearrangements of P. tentoria were same as in the typical vertebrate gene arrangement described earlier (Anderson 164 et al., 1982). The total length of PCGs was 11295 bp, however 1551 bp for tRNAs and 2562 bp 165 for rRNA genes. The nucleotide composition of complete P. tentoria mitogenome was biased 166 toward A+T (59.44%). The A+T composition of PCGs, tRNAs, rRNAs and CR were 58.52%, 167 60.28%, 58.86% and 66.06% respectively. In other geoemydid species, the A+T composition 168 was also similar to P. tentoria and biased towards A+T with a variable frequency ranging from 169

58.12% (*B. trivittata*) to 62.52% (*H. depressa*). The AT skewness was 0.120 and GC skewness
was -0.331 in the complete mitogenome of *P. tentoria*. The comparative analysis revealed that,
the AT skewness was varied from 0.100 (*C. aurocapitata* and *N. platynota*) to 0.156 (*B. trivittata*) and GC skewness varied from -0.366 (*B. trivittata*) to -0.320 (*C. dentata*) in other
geoemydid species (Table 2).

175 Overlapping and intergenic spacer regions

176 Six overlapping sequences with a total length of 12 bp were identified in *P. tentoria* complete mitogenome. These sequences varied in length from 1 bp to 4 bp with the longest overlapping 177 region present between NADH dehydrogenase subunit 4L (nad4l) and NADH dehydrogenase 178 subunit 4 (nad4) as well as in between ATP synthase F0 subunit 8 (atp8) and ATP synthase F0 179 180 subunit 6 (atp6). The intergenic spacers within this mitogenomes, spread over 19 regions and ranged in size from 1 bp to 27 bp with a total length of 115 bp. The longest spacer (27 bp) was 181 observed between transfer RNA-Asparagine (*trnN*) and transfer RNA-Cysteine (*trnC*) (Table 1). 182 In other geoemydid species, the number of overlapping sequences varied from four to six with a 183 184 length variation 18 bp (C. dentata) to 94 bp (M. leprosa) with longest overlapping region present between transfer RNA Proline (trnP) and CR of M. leprosa (67 bp). The longest intergenic 185 spacer of 29 bp was present between transfer RNA-Asparagine (trnN) and transfer RNA-186 Cysteine (*trnC*) of *N. platvnota* (Table S2). 187

188 **Protein coding genes**

The total length of PCGs was 11295 bp in *P. tentoria*, which shared 67.8% of complete 189 mitogenome. Furthermore, a contrast of nucleotide composition, AT skew and GC skew of PCGs 190 in geoemydid species was exhibited in Table 2. The A+T composition was 58.52% in PCGs of 191 P. tentoria. In other species, The A+T composition varied from 57.44% (B. trivittata) to 61.96% 192 (H. grandis). The AT skew value of PCGs was 0.052 and GC skew value was -0.348 in P. 193 tentoria. The AT skew value in other geoemydid species varied from 0.038 (C. flavomarginata) 194 to 0.092 (B. trivittata) and GC skew value varied from -0.386 (B. trivittata) to -0.327 (C. 195 tcheponensis). All PCGs of P. tentoria were starting with an ATG initiation codon, except for 196 Cytochrome oxidase subunit 1 (cox1) gene with 'GTG' and NADH dehydrogenase subunit 5 197 (nad5) with 'ATA'. Out of 13 PCGs, typical termination codons, 'TAA' and 'AGA' has been 198 observed in nad4l and nad6 respectively; and rests of the PCGs were used incomplete 199 termination codons (Table S2). In other geoemydid turtles, almost all of the PCGs have an 200

initiation codon 'ATG', except 'ATA' (nad2 in B. trivittata and C. amboinensis; cvtb in C. 201 aurocapitata and M. reevesii), 'ATT' (nad6 in M. annamensis) and 'GTG' (cox1 in all the 202 species except C. dentata). In the context of termination codon, almost all PCGs were used 203 typical 'TAA', six PCGs have shown 'TAG' termination codons among these geoemydid species 204 (cox2, nad1, nad2, nad3, nad4, and nad6), two PCGs have shown 'AGA' termination codon 205 (nad3 in B. trivittata, C. amboinensis and C. aurocapitata; nad6 in B. trivittata and M. sinensis), 206 'AGG' termination codon (cox1 of all the species and nad6 in most of the species except, B. 207 trivittata, M. reevesii, M. sinensis and S. quadriocellata), incomplete TA(G) termination codon 208 was seen in nad1 of B. trivittata, C. amboinensis, C. bourreti, C. picturata, C. trifasciata, H. 209 depressa, H. grandis, M. caspica, M. japonica, M. nigricans, M. megalocephala, M. rivulata, M. 210 sinensis and S. bealei; cox3 of M. mutica; nad5 of S. quadriocellata and cvtb of C. picturata. 211 Single, incomplete termination codon 'T' was seen in nad2 and cox3 of almost all studied 212 geoemydid species; nad6 in S. quadriocellata and cvtb in almost all the species except B. 213 trivittata, C. amboinensis, C. aurocapitata, C. flavomarginata, C. dentata, C. oldhamii and M. 214 reevesii (Table S3). 215

216 Relative synonymous codon usage

The Relative Synonymous Codon Usage (RSCU) analysis revealed the maximum abundance of 217 218 Alanine, Isoleucine, Leucine, Threonine in P. tentoria, whereas, Arginine, Aspartic Acids, Cysteine, Lysine were less abundant (Fig. 2). In other geoemydid species, the maximum 219 220 abundance of Alanine, Asparagine, Isoleucine, Leucine, Serine, Threonine was observed and Arginine, Aspartic Acids, Cysteine, Lysine were less abundant (Table S4). The RSCU analyses 221 of *P. tentoria* PCGs also indicated the major proportion of codons bearing Cytosine (C) or 222 Guanine (G) in the third position rather than Adenine (A) and Thymine (T). The relative usage of 223 224 the AAC and GAC were more, compared to the AAT and GAT in case of Asparagine and Aspartic Acids respectively. This same usage was more or less observed in other geoemydid 225 species (Fig. 3). Codon distribution per thousand codon (CDsPT) values for all the amino acids 226 showed the same result and the maximum values were present for Leucine in all the geoemydid 227 species (Table S5). The maximum CDsPT value for Leucine was observed in P. tentoria (165.5) 228 and minimum value was observed in S. quadriocellata (117.7) (Fig. S3). 229

230 Synonymous and nonsynonymous substitutions

The ratios of synonymous and nonsynonymous substitutions are generally known as an indicator 231 of selective pressure and evolutionary relationship among different species (*Zhu et al., 2017*). It 232 was stated that, the Ka/Ks>1 evidenced for positive selection, Ka/Ks=1 for neutral mutation, and 233 Ka/Ks<1 for negative selection (Nei & Kumar, 2000; Yang & Bielawski, 2000). To investigate 234 the evolutionary rates and comparative analysis with the complete mitogenome of P. tentoria, 32 235 geoemydid species representing eight genera (Pangshura, Batagur, Cuora, Cyclemys, Heosemys, 236 Mauremys, Notochelys, Sacalia), sequence divergences by counting Ka/Ks substitutions were 237 calculated. The Ka/Ks values of 13 PCGs varied from 0.006 (between P. tentoria and B. 238 trivittata in cox1) to 0.549 (between P. tentoria and H. annandalii in nad6). All PCGs showed 239 Ka/Ks values <1 which indicated a strong negative selection among all geoemvdid species which 240 reflects natural selection works against profitless mutations with negative selective coefficients. 241 242 The percentages of synonymous and non-synonymous substitution variation was highest in *nad6* with an average value of 0.279, which indicated the least selective pressure in *nad6* gene. As 243 244 Ka/Ks ratio is least in *cox1* with an average value of 0.012, this PCG is under most selective pressure. Among all the species pair, P. tentoria and B. trivittata showed least Ka/Ks value 245 246 (0.006 in cox1) as compared to other pairs, implying a closer phylogenetic relationship between species. The Ka/Ks ratio of all the PCGs follows the order: 247 these two 248 cox1<cox3<cox2<cytb<atp6<nad3<nad5<atp8<nad4<nad41<nad2<nad1<nad6 (Fig. 4).

249 Transfer RNAs and ribosomal RNAs

250 The representative secondary structures of 22 tRNAs were identified for P. tentoria complete mitogenome, total 1551 bp ranging from 67 bp to 76 bp with A+T content is 60.28%. In other 251 geoemydid species, tRNA genes varied from 1496 bp (M. annamensis) to 1796 bp (C. 252 aurocapitata). The A+T content of other geoemydid species varied from 60.02% (B. trivittata) to 253 254 63.94% (C. tcheponensis). The AT skewness and GC skewness of tRNA genes for P. tentoria 255 were 0.026 and 0.055, respectively. The AT skewness of other species varied from 0.024 (B. trivittata) to 0.051 (M. leprosa) and GC skewness varied from 0.008 (C. aurocapitata) to 0.052 256 (S. bealei and S. quadriocellata). Among all 22 tRNA genes, 14 were in major strand and 257 remaining eight (trnQ, trnA, trnN, trnC, trnY, trnS2, trnE, and trnP) were in minor strand and the 258 259 anticodons of all tRNAs genes were resulted in Table S6. All of the tRNAs are meant to be folded into classic clover-leaf secondary structures in P. tentoria, except for trnS (GCT), which 260 lacked the conventional DHU arm or stem; instead, a larger loop was observed there. The G-C 261

and A-T bonding were normally observed in the secondary structures of tRNA genes, however 262 the secondary structures of 10 tRNA genes; tRNA^{Ala}(TGC), tRNA^{Asn}(GTT), tRNA^{Cys}(GCA), 263 tRNA^{Gln}(TTG), tRNA^{Glu}(TTC), tRNA^{Gly}(TCC), tRNA^{Leu}(TAA), tRNA^{Pro}(TGG), tRNA^{Ser}(TGA), 264 tRNA^{Tyr}(GTA) in *P. tentoria* shows G-T mismatches and forming weak bonds. The acceptor 265 stem of tRNA^{Asp}(GTC), tRNA^{Gln}(TTG), tRNA^{His}(GTG), tRNA^{Ile}(GAT), tRNA^{Met}(CAT), 266 tRNA^{Phe}(GAA), tRNA^{Ser}(GCT), tRNA^{Val}(TAC) had a small unconventional loop. An 267 exceptional loop on T_VC arm were present in tRNA^{Asp}(GTC) and tRNA^{Met}(CAT) and also an 268 unconventional small loop on DHU arm was observed in tRNA^{Trp}(TCA) (Fig. S4). The length of 269 rRNA genes in P. tentoria is 2562 bp. In other geoemydid species, the length of rRNA varied 270 from 2553 bp (C. picturata) to 2859 bp (S. quadriocellata). The A+T composition of rRNA 271 genes in *P. tentoria* is 58.86% and varied from 57.78% (*B. trivittata*) to 61.60% (*H. annandalii*) 272 in other geoemydid species. The AT skewness and GC skewness of P. tentoria rRNA genes were 273 0.265 and -0.155, respectively. In other geoemydid species, The AT skewness varied from 0.257 274 (H. depressa) to 0.289 (B. trivittata) and GC skewness varied from -0.186 (M. nigricans) to -275 0.156 (*H. depressa*). 276

277 Control region

The control region (CR) known for the initiation of replication in vertebrates (Bing et al., 2006), 278 279 is located between trnP and trnF in all the studied geoemydid species with a varying size. The length of the CR of P. tentoria was 949 bp and A+T composition was 66.06% (Table 2). A 280 281 single tandem repeat of eight base pairs (TTCTCTTT) with two copy numbers was observed in the CR of P. tentoria (Fig. 5). The AT and GC skew values were negative, -0.030 and -0.236 282 respectively in *P. tentoria*. In the other geoemydid species the length of CR varied from 914 bp 283 (*M. japonica*) to 1722 bp (*C. galbinifrons*). The AT and GC skew of other geoemydid species 284 285 ranges from -0.142 (C. pani) to 0.044 (C. oldhamii) and -0.432 (M. leprosa) to -0.188 (C. dentata) respectively. It is resulted that Adenine (A) composition is equal to Thymine (T) 286 composition in C. atripons, C. pulchristriata and M. reevesii. Adenine (A) composition is more 287 as compared to Thymine (T) in C. oldhamii, C. tcheponensis, H. depressa and M. rivulata. The 288 other geoemydid species have less Adenine (A) composition as compared to Thymine (T). The 289 numbers of tandem repeats are higher at the 3' end of the CR in most of the studied geoemydid 290 species (Fig. 5). The AT composition ranges from 64.94% (B. trivittata) to 77.31% (C. pani). 291 Among all, in 15 geoemydid species, a single tandem repeat was observed in the CR with repeat 292

length varied from 5 bp (*M. megalocephala*) to 10 bp (*C. trifasciata*, *M. annamensis*, *M. nigricans*). Overall, the CR in geoemydid mitogenomes showed a specific sequence and
structural characteristic, which were species-specific and can be potentially used as a genetic
marker for evolutionary and population genetics study.

297 Phylogeny of geoemydid mitogenomes

Mitochondrial and nuclear genes has been largely used for effective species identification and 298 delimitation. However, to understand the robust evolutionary relationship, reconcile of 299 phylogeny by in-depth molecular data is necessitated. Comparative mitochondriomics has 300 demonstrated its utility in elucidating the phylogenetic relationships of many taxa, including 301 turtles (Amer & Kumazawa, 2009; Chen et al., 2013; Jiang et al., 2016; Li et al., 2017; Kundu et 302 al., 2018b). Originally, the genus Pangshura was erected by Grav, 1856 within Batagur, a genus 303 304 contained Pangshura, Batagur, Kachuga and Morenia species. Later on Pangshura was elevated as a distinct genus through morphological characteristics by *Günther*, 1864 and Moll, 1986. 305 306 Nevertheless, Das, 2001 and Schleich & Kästle, 2002 also supported Pangshura as a discrete monophyletic genus with four species. The first phylogenetic hypothesis based on molecular data 307 308 was established by Spinks et al., 2004 and evidenced Batagur, Callagur, Hardella, Pangshura as monophyletic genera. Further, Praschag et al., 2007 with extensive taxon sampling of all 309 310 species/subspecies and using of mitochondrial DNA, corroborated the well-supported monophyly of *Pangshura*. The present study constructed the phylogenetic relationship through 311 312 concatenated PCGs derived from 32 geoemydid species mitogenomes (Fig. 6). The constructed ML phylogeny revealed all geoemydid species, clustered together with high bootstrap support 313 and congruent with the previous evolutionary hypothesis (Shaffer et al., 1997; Spinks et al., 314 2004, Praschag et al., 2007; Le et al., 2007; Guillon et al., 2012). P. tentoria under genus 315 316 Pangshura shows sister clade with the Batagur trivittata as described earlier. The congeners of Mauremys, Cuora, Cyclemys, Heosemys, Sacalia, and Notochelys are also clustered separately 317 with significant bootstrap supports in ML tree. Further, the representative mitogenome sequences 318 of other family/suborder, Testudinidae, Emydidae, Platysternidae, Cheloniidae, Trionychidae 319 under suborder Cryptodira (hidden-necked turtles) and Chelidae under suborder Pleurodira (side-320 321 necked turtles) were clustered distinctly in ML phylogeny (Fig. 6). Thus, using complete mitochondrial genome, the present study was able to generate a robust phylogeny with high 322 statistical values for each node and elucidate the uncertainty in the relationship between 323

Pangshura and other geoemydid species. Furthermore, based on the jawed morphology, the 324 family Geoemydidae was divided into two subfamilies Geoemydinae and Batagurinae (Gaffney 325 & Meylan, 1988). The studied genus Pangshura was transferred to Batagurinae subfamily with 326 other living genera (Batagur, Geoclemys, Hardella, Malayemys, Morenia, Ocadia, and Orlitia). 327 However, complete mitochondrial genomes of Batagurinae taxa is limited in global database. 328 Thus, additional taxon sampling of geoemydid species under Batagurinae subfamily from 329 different geographical locations and their mitogenome data would be useful to reconcile the 330 phylogenetic and evolutionary relationship hereafter. 331

332 CONCLUSIONS

The sequencing, annotation of the mitochondrial genome of a member of genus *Pangshura* was 333 accomplished in this study. The mitogenome of *P. tentoria* was found to be 16,657 bp in length 334 335 and showed similar gene order in other geoemydid turtle species. The PCGs of P. tentoria showed the ratio of non-synonymous and synonymous substitution were <1 in compare to other 336 geoemydid species that indicates a strong negative selection. Further, the comparative 337 mitochondriomics study revealed the numbers and structural characteristic of tandem repeats 338 339 were species-specific in geoemydid turtles. The maximum likelihood phylogeny showed distinct clustered of 32 geoemydid turtles and the relationships were congruent with the previous 340 341 phylogeny and taxonomic classification. The complete mitogenome reported in the present study is expected to allow for further genomics studies of the extant Pangshura species and would be 342 343 useful for estimating genetic differences within and between populations and conservation genetics. 344

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Figure 1 The mitochondrial genome of *P. tentoria*. Direction of gene transcription is indicated by arrows.

Protein-coding genes are shown as blue arrows, rRNA genes as orchid arrows, tRNA genes as coral arrows and non-coding region as grey rectangle. The GC content is plotted using a black sliding window, GC-skew is plotted using green and orange color sliding window as the deviation from the average in the complete mitogenome .

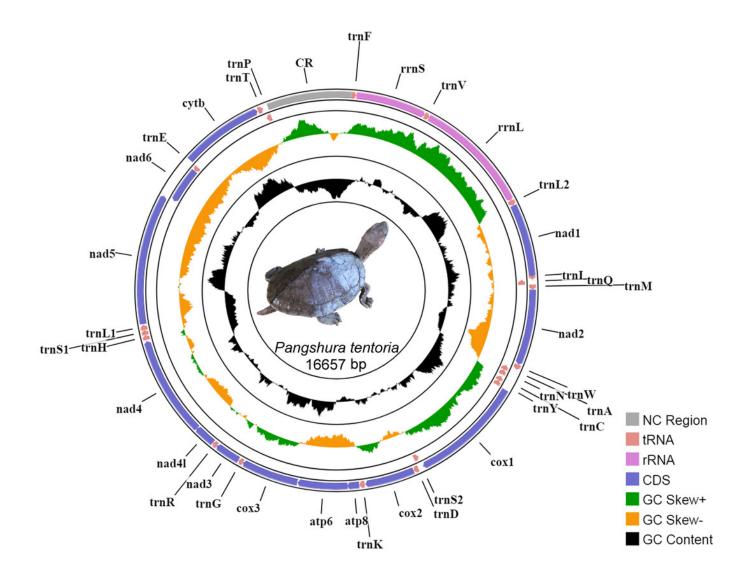


Figure 2 Comparative Relative synonymous codon usage (RSCU) in 32 geoemydid species including *P. tentoria* .

The cumulative RSCU values are represented on the y-axis while the codon families for each amino acid are represented on the x-axis.

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Figure 3 Comparison of codon usage within the 32 geoemydid species mitochondrial genome including *P. tentoria*.

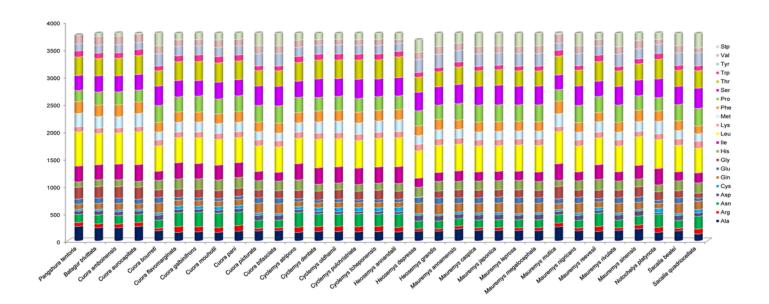


Figure 4 Ka/Ks ratios for the 13 mitochondrial protein-coding genes among *P. tentoria* and other geoemydid species representing seven genera.

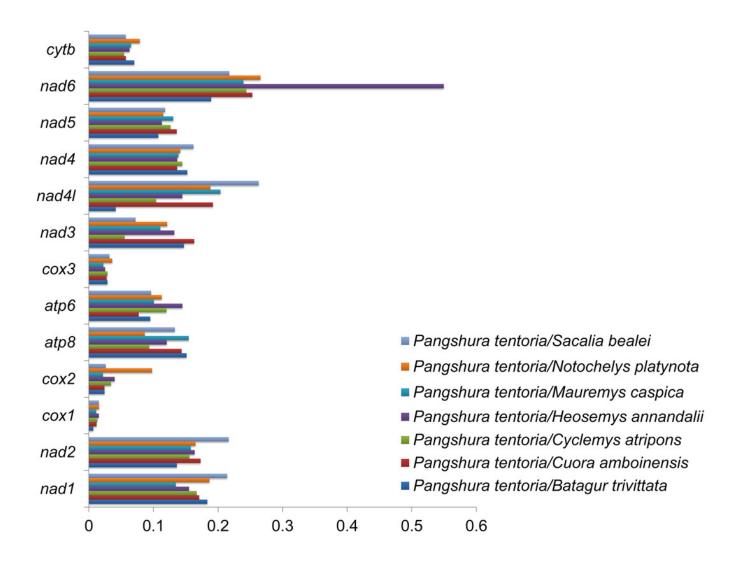
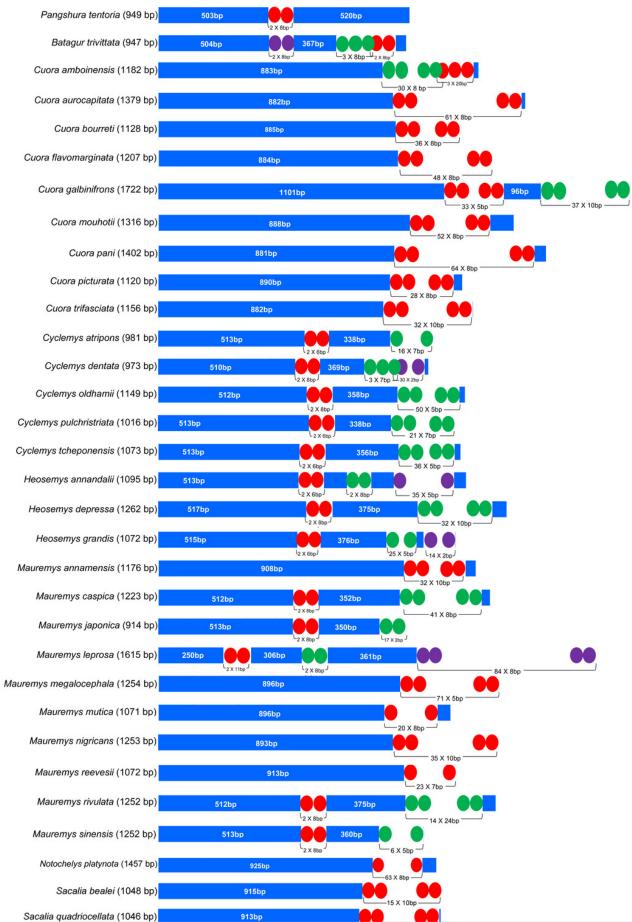


Figure 5 The structural organization of the control region of 32 geoemydid turtles mitogenomes.

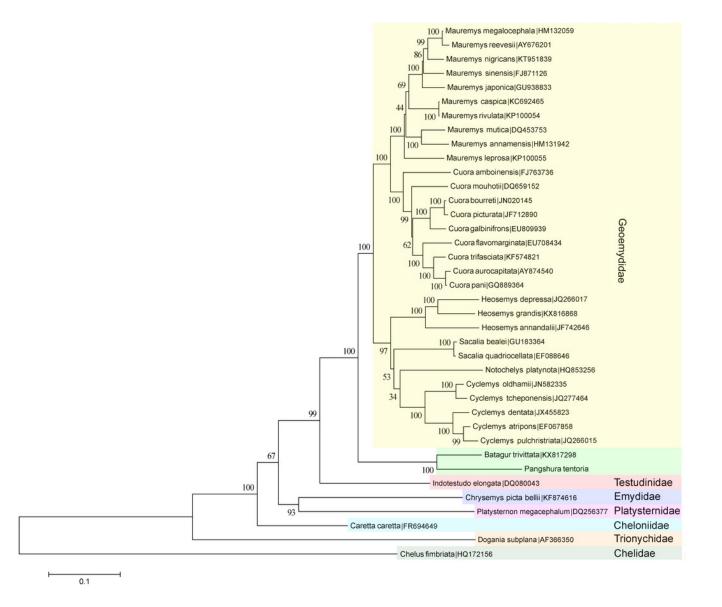
The location and copy number of tandem repeats are shown by colored circles (Red, Green, and Violet). Non-repeat regions are indicated by blue colored box with sequence size inside.



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Figure 6 Maximum Likelihood phylogenetic tree based on the concatenated nucleotide sequences of 13 PCGs of the 32 geoemydid turtles showing the evolutionary relationship of *P. tentoria*.

Species names, and GenBank accession numbers are indicated within parentheses with each node. Color boxes indicates the species clustering under respective families and clade of the studied *P. tentoria* and closely related *B. trivittata* was marked by green color box. The ML tree is drawn to scale with bootstrap support values were indicated along with the branches.



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Table 1: List of annotated mitochondrial genes of *Pangshura tentoria*.

Gene	Direction	Location	Size (bp)	Anti codon	Start codon	Stop codon	Intergenic Nucleotide
trnF	+	203-271	69	GAA			0
rrnS	+	272-1235	964				0
trnV	+	1236-1304	69	TAC			-1
rrnL	+	1304-2901	1598				1
trnL2	+	2903-2978	76	TAA			0
nad1	+	2979-3938	960		ATG	(A)	8
trnI	+	3947-4017	71	GAT			-1
trnQ	-	4017-4087	71	TTG			-1
trnM	+	4087-4155	69	CAT			0
nad2	+	4156-5190	1035		ATG	(A)	4
trnW	+	5195-5267	73	TCA			1
trnA	-	5269-5337	69	TGC			1
trnN	-	5339-5412	74	GTT			27
trnC	-	5440-5505	66	GCA			0
trnY	-	5506-5577	72	GTA			1
cox1	+	5579-7114	1536		GTG	(A)	3
trnS2	-	7118-7188	71	GCT			0
trnD	+	7189-7258	70	GTC			0
cox2	+	7259-7936	678		ATG	(T)	10
trnK	+	7947-8020	74	TTT			1
atp8	+	8022-8183	162		ATG	(A)	-4
atp6	+	8180-8857	678		ATG	(A)	5
cox3	+	8863-9645	783		ATG	(TA)	1
trnG	+	9647-9714	68	TCC			1
nad3	+	9716-10064	354		ATG	(T)	1
trnR	+	10066-10134	69	TCG			0
nad4l	+	10135-10428	294		ATG	(TAA)	-4
nad4	+	10425-11795	1371		ATG	(A)	20
trnH	+	11816-11884	69	GTG			0
trnS1	+	11885-11951	67	TGA			-1
trnL1	+	11951-12023	73	TAG			12
nad5	+	12036-13823	1788		ATA	(A)	4
nad6	-	13828-14349	522		ATG	(AGA)	0
trnE	-	14350-14417	68	TTC			4
cytb	+	14422-15555	1134		ATG	(A)	10
trnT	+	15566-15637	72	TGT			0
trnP	-	15638-15708	71	TGG			0
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1 **Table 1:** List of annotated mitochondrial genes of *Pangshura tentoria*.

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Table 2(on next page)

Table 2. Nucleotide composition of the mitochondrial genome in different Geoemydid turtle's mtDNA .

The A+T biases of whole mitogenome, protein coding genes, tRNA, rRNA, and control regions were calculated by AT-skew = (A-T)/(A+T) and GC-skew= (G-C)/(G+C), respectively.

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Species	Size	A%	Т%	G%	C%	A+T%	AT-	GC-		
Complete mitogenome		A /0	1 /0	G /0	C /0	A+1 /0	AI-	GC-		
Pangshura tentoria 16657 33.30 26.13 13.54 27.00 59.44 0.120 -0.331										
U	16463	33.60	20.13	13.25	27.00	58.12	0.120	-0.366		
Batagur trivittata										
Cuora amboinensis	16708	33.82	26.74	13.05	26.36	60.57	0.116	-0.337		
C. aurocapitata	16890	33.56	27.41	13.04	25.97	60.98	0.100	-0.331		
C. bourreti	16649	33.90	26.84	13.05	26.19	60.75	0.116	-0.334		
C. flavomarginata	16721	33.99	27.67	12.80	25.52	61.67	0.102	-0.331		
C. galbinifrons	17244	34.12	27.58	12.47	25.81	61.70	0.106	-0.348		
C. mouhotii	16837	34.03	27.33	12.81	25.81	61.37	0.109	-0.336		
C. pani	16922	33.67	27.43	13.00	25.89	61.10	0.102	-0.331		
C. picturata	16623	33.95	26.89	13.00	26.14	60.85	0.116	-0.335		
C. trifasciata	16675	33.84	26.83	13.12	26.18	60.68	0.115	-0.332		
Cyclemys atripons	16500	34.40	27.20	13.01	25.36	61.62	0.117	-0.321		
C. dentata	16484	34.28	27.22	13.08	25.41	61.50	0.114	-0.320		
C. oldhami	16656	34.35	26.83	13.10	25.71	61.18	0.122	-0.324		
C. pulchristriata	16527	34.38	27.19	12.98	25.43	61.57	0.116	-0.324		
C. tcheponensis	16593	34.20	26.77	13.19	25.83	60.97	0.121	-0.323		
Heosemys annandalii	16604	35.14	26.71	12.27	25.87	61.85	0.136	-0.356		
H. depressa	16773	35.00	27.52	12.53	24.93	62.52	0.119	-0.330		
H. grandis	16581	34.70	27.67	12.52	25.09	62.38	0.112	-0.334		
Mauremys	16844	33.70	26.85	13.04	26.38	60.56	0.113	-0.338		
M. caspica	16741	34.04	27.17	12.91	25.87	61.21	0.112	-0.334		
M. japonica	16443	34.02	26.45	13.01	26.50	60.48	0.125	-0.341		
M. leprosa	17066	34.41	27.48	12.43	25.66	61.90	0.111	-0.347		
M. megalocephala	16783	34.05	27.20	12.81	25.92	61.25	0.111	-0.338		
M. mutica	16609	33.81	26.50	13.17	26.49	60.32	0.121	-0.335		
M. nigricans	16779	34.07	26.85	12.96	26.09	60.93	0.118	-0.336		
M. reevesii	16576	33.99	26.62	12.94	26.44	60.61	0.121	-0.342		
M. rivulata	16766	34.31	26.91	12.94	25.83	61.22	0.120	-0.332		
M. sinensis	16461	33.81	26.20		26.79	60.02	0.126	-0.340		
Notochelys platynota	16981	34.39	28.10	12.24	25.25	62.49	0.100	-0.347		
Sacalia bealei	16561	34.18	26.86	13.06	25.88	61.04	0.119	-0.329		
S. quadriocellata	16816	34.13	26.75	13.16	25.94	60.88	0.121	-0.326		
Protein Coding genes		55	_0.70	10.10		00.00	0.121	0.020		
Pangshura tentoria	11295	30.78	27.73	13.51	27.96	58.52	0.052	-0.348		
Batagur trivittata	11379	31.37	26.07	13.05	29.49	57.44	0.092	-0.386		
Cuora amboinensis	11397	31.44	28.05	13.07	27.42	59.49	0.052	-0.354		
<i>C. aurocapitata</i>	11377	31.18	28.11	13.35	27.33	59.30	0.051	-0.343		
C. bourreti	11373	31.44	28.41	13.23	26.90	59.86	0.050	-0.340		
C. 00011eu	11374	51.44	20.41	15.45	20.90	57.00	0.050	-0.340		

C. flavomarginata	11377	31.41	29.10	13.03	26.44	60.51	0.038	-0.339
C. galbinifrons	11399	31.51	28.52	13.13	26.83	60.03	0.030	-0.342
C. mouhotii	11397	31.57	28.74	13.13	26.53	60.32	0.047	-0.342
C. mounotti C. pani	11307	31.10	28.28	13.29	27.30	59.39	0.047	-0.345
C. picturata	11395	31.51	28.52	13.17	26.79	60.03	0.047	-0.340
C. trifasciata	11373	31.28	28.32	13.31	27.08	59.60	0.049	-0.340
C. Infusciala Cyclemys atripons	11387	31.88	29.16	13.05	25.88	61.05	0.049	-0.329
C. dentata	11376	31.82	29.10	13.09	25.88	60.98	0.044	-0.329
C. oldhami	11370	31.34	28.78	13.35	26.50	60.13	0.043	-0.329
C. pulchristriata	11370	31.76	29.04	13.06	26.12	60.80	0.042	-0.333
C. tcheponensis	11380	31.33	28.80	13.41	26.44	60.13	0.044	-0.333
Heosemys annandalii	11377	32.65	28.31	12.12	26.90	60.96	0.042	-0.378
H. depressa	11380	32.05	29.24	12.12	25.71	61.50	0.071	-0.378
H. grandis	11382	32.56	29.24	12.77	25.65	61.96	0.048	-0.348
Mauremys	11379	31.34	29.39	12.38	27.44	59.39	0.051	-0.348
	11391	31.70	28.03	13.00	26.88	60.11	0.053	-0.331
M. caspica			28.18		20.88	60.06	0.034	
M. japonica	11385 11382	31.87	28.18	12.84	26.43		0.061	-0.356
M. leprosa		31.92		12.89		60.66		-0.344
M. megalocephala	11385	31.62	28.49	13.02	26.85	60.11	0.052	-0.346
M. mutica	11392	31.43	27.94	13.29	27.33	59.37	0.058	-0.345
M. nigricans	11382	31.50	28.14	13.18	27.15	59.65	0.056	-0.346
M. reevesii	11377	31.81	28.02	13.04	27.11	59.84	0.063	-0.350
M. rivulata	11382	31.68	28.41	13.03	26.86	60.09	0.054	-0.346
M. sinensis	11395	31.68	27.86	13.04	27.40	59.54	0.064	-0.354
Notochelys platynota	11398	32.12	29.47	12.50	25.89	61.60	0.043	-0.348
Sacalia bealei	11373	31.82	28.57	12.92	26.67	60.39	0.053	-0.347
S. quadriocellata	11366	31.76	28.56	12.96	26.70	60.32	0.052	-0.346
tRNA genes	1.5.5.1	20.04	00.00	20.05	10 50	(0.00	0.00	0.055
Pangshura tentoria	1551	30.94	29.33	20.95	18.76	60.28	0.026	0.055
Batagur trivittata	1551	30.75	29.27	20.88	19.08	60.02	0.024	0.045
Cuora amboinensis	1608	32.46	30.09	19.21	18.22	62.56	0.037	0.026
C. aurocapitata	1796	32.01	30.23	19.04	18.70	62.24	0.028	0.008
C. bourreti	1553	32.13	29.62	19.63	18.60	61.75	0.040	0.026
C. flavomarginata	1553	32.38	30.00	19.51	18.09	62.39	0.038	0.037
C. galbinifrons	1552	32.02	29.25	19.78	18.94	61.27	0.045	0.021
C. mouhotii	1552	32.02	29.83	19.65	18.49	61.85	0.035	0.030
C. pani	1554	32.23	29.60	19.49	18.66	61.84	0.042	0.021
C. picturata	1553	32.19	29.55	19.63	18.60	61.75	0.042	0.026
C. trifasciata	1553	31.74	29.74	19.76	18.73	61.49	0.032	0.026
Cyclemys atripons	1551	32.10	30.10	19.66	18.11	62.21	0.032	0.040
C. dentata	1548	32.55	30.03	19.25	18.15	62.59	0.040	0.029
C. oldhami	1551	32.62	30.04	19.21	18.11	62.66	0.041	0.029
C. pulchristriata	1551	32.10	30.36	19.66	17.85	62.47	0.027	0.048
C. tcheponensis	1606	33.37	30.57	18.67	17.37	63.94	0.043	0.036

Heosemys annandalii	1550	32.25	29.87	19.35	18.51	62.12	0.038	0.022
H. depressa	1549	31.76	29.69	20.07	18.46	61.45	0.033	0.041
H. grandis	1549	32.27	29.82	19.49	18.39	62.10	0.039	0.028
Mauremys	1496	32.41	30.08	19.18	18.31	62.50	0.037	0.023
M. caspica	1554	32.17	29.66	19.62	18.53	61.84	0.040	0.028
M. japonica	1557	32.24	29.60	19.52	18.62	61.84	0.042	0.023
M. leprosa	1552	32.73	29.51	19.13	18.62	62.24	0.051	0.013
M. megalocephala	1554	32.36	29.72	19.49	18.40	62.09	0.042	0.028
M. mutica	1553	32.58	30.13	19.18	18.09	62.71	0.039	0.029
M. nigricans	1555	32.60	29.58	19.35	18.45	62.18	0.048	0.023
M. reevesii	1547	32.25	29.99	19.52	18.22	62.24	0.036	0.034
M. rivulata	1551	32.17	29.91	19.47	18.43	62.08	0.036	0.027
M. sinensis	1555	32.15	29.71	19.67	18.45	61.86	0.039	0.032
Notochelys platynota	1551	32.49	29.98	19.27	18.24	62.47	0.040	0.027
Sacalia bealei	1549	32.08	29.89	20.01	18.01	61.97	0.035	0.052
S. quadriocellata	1548	31.97	29.84	20.09	18.08	61.82	0.034	0.052
rRNA genes								
Pangshura tentoria	2562	37.23	21.62	17.36	23.77	58.86	0.265	-0.155
Batagur trivittata	2568	37.26	20.52	17.44	24.76	57.78	0.289	-0.173
Cuora amboinensis	2572	37.67	21.38	16.95	23.98	59.05	0.275	-0.171
C. aurocapitata	2577	37.91	21.57	16.99	23.51	59.48	0.274	-0.160
C. bourreti	2571	38.11	21.31	16.60	23.95	59.43	0.282	-0.181
C. flavomarginata	2562	38.09	22.24	16.66	22.98	60.34	0.262	-0.159
C. galbinifrons	2571	38.23	21.89	16.25	23.60	60.13	0.271	-0.184
C. mouhotii	2570	38.13	21.67	16.65	23.54	59.80	0.275	-0.171
C. pani	2568	37.96	21.53	16.97	23.52	59.50	0.276	-0.161
C. picturata	2553	38.22	21.38	16.56	23.81	59.61	0.282	-0.179
C. trifasciata	2568	38.04	21.30	16.78	23.87	59.34	0.282	-0.174
Cyclemys atripons	2561	38.73	21.98	16.39	22.88	60.71	0.275	-0.165
C. dentata	2565	38.55	21.94	16.56	22.92	60.50	0.274	-0.160
C. oldhami	2569	38.45	21.44	16.77	23.31	59.90	0.283	-0.163
C. pulchristriata	2564	38.72	21.95	16.41	22.89	60.68	0.276	-0.164
C. tcheponensis	2576	38.31	21.35	16.73	23.60	59.66	0.284	-0.170
Heosemys annandalii	2563	39.32	22.27	16.07	22.31	61.60	0.276	-0.162
H. depressa	2565	38.71	22.84	16.21	22.22	61.55	0.257	-0.156
H. grandis	2566	38.73	22.36	16.32	22.56	61.10	0.267	-0.160
Mauremys	2715	37.56	21.76	16.64	24.01	59.33	0.266	-0.181
M. caspica	2568	37.88	21.65	16.78	23.67	59.54	0.272	-0.170
M. japonica	2570	37.93	21.78	16.69	23.57	59.72	0.270	-0.171
M. leprosa	2567	38.05	21.97	16.67	23.29	60.03	0.268	-0.165
M. megalocephala	2574	37.91	21.91	16.55	23.62	59.82	0.267	-0.176
M. mutica	2568	37.65	21.80	16.93	23.59	59.46	0.266	-0.164
M. nigricans	2570	38.21	21.59	16.34	23.85	59.80	0.277	-0.186
M. reevesii	2573	37.89	21.99	16.51	23.59	59.89	0.265	-0.176

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M. rivulata	2567	37.78	21.58	16.86	23.76	59.36	0.272	-0.169
M. sinensis	2570	37.50	21.43	16.88	24.16	58.94	0.272	-0.177
Notochelys platynota	2573	38.55	22.46	16.28	22.69	61.01	0.263	-0.164
Sacalia bealei	2574	38.11	21.87	16.70	23.31	59.98	0.270	-0.165
S. quadriocellata	2859	37.46	21.93	16.96	23.64	59.39	0.261	-0.164
Control regions								
Pangshura tentoria	949	32.03	34.03	12.96	20.96	66.06	-0.030	-0.236
Batagur trivittata	947	31.67	33.26	12.98	22.06	64.94	-0.024	-0.259
Cuora amboinensis	1182	33.16	40.27	10.74	15.82	73.43	-0.096	-0.191
C. aurocapitata	1379	33.06	43.65	9.35	13.92	76.72	-0.138	-0.196
C. bourreti	1128	32.53	39.53	10.72	17.19	72.07	-0.097	-0.231
C. flavomarginata	1207	33.88	40.84	9.61	15.65	74.73	-0.093	-0.239
C. galbinifrons	1722	34.90	41.28	6.79	17.01	76.19	-0.083	-0.429
C. mouhotii	1316	33.66	39.81	8.81	17.70	73.48	-0.083	-0.335
C. pani	1402	33.16	44.15	8.98	13.69	77.31	-0.142	-0.207
C. picturata	1120	32.50	39.10	10.71	17.67	71.60	-0.092	-0.245
C. trifasciata	1156	33.91	39.79	10.03	16.26	73.70	-0.079	-0.236
Cyclemys atripons	981	34.76	34.76	12.13	18.34	69.52	0	-0.204
C. dentata	973	33.09	35.25	12.84	18.80	68.34	-0.031	-0.188
C. oldhami	1149	37.94	34.72	10.79	16.53	72.67	0.044	-0.210
C. pulchristriata	1016	35.62	35.62	11.61	17.12	71.25	0	-0.191
C. tcheponensis	1073	36.25	34.20	11.64	17.89	70.45	0.029	-0.211
Heosemys annandalii	1095	34.79	36.43	10.59	18.17	71.23	-0.023	-0.263
H. depressa	1262	37.71	37.55	9.35	15.37	75.27	0.002	-0.243
H. grandis	1072	31.34	39.08	11.38	18.19	70.42	-0.109	-0.230
Mauremys	1176	32.48	40.39	10.54	16.58	72.87	-0.108	-0.222
M. caspica	1223	33.44	41.29	9.89	15.37	74.73	-0.105	-0.216
M. japonica	914	32.38	33.80	13.01	20.78	66.19	-0.021	-0.229
M. leprosa	1615	34.61	38.76	7.55	19.07	73.37	-0.056	-0.432
M. megalocephala	1254	33.97	40.19	9.56	16.26	74.16	-0.083	-0.259
M. mutica	1071	32.49	37.44	11.20	18.86	69.93	-0.070	-0.254
M. nigricans	1253	35.27	38.54	10.05	16.12	73.82	-0.044	-0.231
M. reevesii	1072	34.32	34.32	11.28	20.05	68.65	0	-0.279
M. rivulata	1252	37.53	37.22	10.06	15.17	74.76	0.004	-0.202
M. sinensis	935	31.65	34.75	12.40	21.17	66.41	-0.046	-0.261
Notochelys platynota	1457	32.18	40.28	8.30	19.21	72.47	-0.111	-0.396
Sacalia bealei	1048	32.72	36.54	11.92	18.79	69.27	-0.055	-0.223
S. quadriocellata	1046	33.26	36.23	11.56	18.92	69.50	-0.042	-0.241
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