

Hantavirus Cardiopulmonary Syndrome in Canada

Appendix

Methods

Serology

Detection of IgG antibodies was done using an ELISA assay using Black Creek Canal orthohantavirus (BCCV)–infected VERO E6 lysate as a positive antigen and mock infected Vero E6 lysate as the negative antigen. The IgM detection assay is a mu-capture ELISA using BCCV-infected and mock-infected VERO E6 cell slurries and a mouse monoclonal antibody directed against aa 66-78 of the nucleoprotein of Sin Nombre orthohantavirus (SNV; United States Biologicals, <https://www.usbio.net>).

Molecular Detection

Patient samples positive for SNV were tested in a RT-qPCR using the primers: SNS140F 5'-AAKTGGACCCCGATGAYGTAA and SNS140R 5'-TTGGTYTCCAATGCAGACACA and the probe SNS140P 6FAM-AAAAGCACATTACAGAGCAGACGGGCAG; we used the TaqPath 1-Step Multiplex Master Mix (Life Technologies, <https://www.thermofisher.com>) according to the manufacturer's instructions.

To obtain sequence data for the small (S) and medium (M) genomic segments, we used 2 sets of primers. The original assay used was as described by Ksaizek et al. (*1*). Later the primers were optimized for SNV and the following sets were used. SNS2016F 5'-AGAAAGAGCRGTGGATGAYGTAAACA, SNS2016R 5'-GGACAACGATCSGATGCRAANACCCA, and SNM2016F 5'-CAAAAACAATGGTGTGTGAYATTTG, SNM2016R 5'-TTTATRTTGAATGCATCCATCCAATG. Amplicons were sequenced and used for phylogenetic analyses. Sequences of sufficient length and quality were aligned along with full-length

reference sequences obtained from GenBank. Some sequences which aligned to a different region than most samples were removed from the alignment and analysis.

Phylogenetic Analysis

We ran 2 separate analyses, one for the S segment and one for the M segment. The sequences were aligned using MAFFT (<https://mafft.cbrc.jp/alignment/software>) with the --localpair option, a gap open penalty of 3, and a gap extension penalty of 1. The alignment was converted from FASTA to NEXUS format using seqmagick (<https://fhcrc.github.io/seqmagick>) (Appendix Table 1). We defined the BEAST model using the corresponding version of BEAUTi. The model used was Coalescent Constant model, the nucleotide model was the General Time-Reversible model (GTR), using a relaxed log-normal clock and empirical nucleotide frequencies. Each model (S & L) was run in 3 parallel chains for 20 million iterations each (logging every 1,000 iterations) using BEAST 2.5.2 (2). Convergence and effective sample sizes were confirmed using Tracer. The trees from the last 10 million iterations of each chain were combined using LogCombiner. Downsampled tree files were produced using LogCombiner to provide the uncertainty visualization (100 trees). The main posterior tree was derived using TreeAnnotator set to maximum clade credibility and common ancestor heights (with posterior probability limit of 0.95 and burn-in of 0 [burn-in was removed with Log Combiner]). Graphs were produced using R 3.6.1, with the following packages: checkpoint version 0.4.7 (snapshot date of 2019-11-11) (3), dplyr version 0.8.3 (4), tidyr version 1.0.0 (5), ggplot2 version 3.2.1 (6), ape version 5.3 (7), ggtree version 2.0.0 (8), cowplot version 1.0.0 (9), mapproj version 1.2.6 (10), ggmap version 3.0.0 (11), rnatuarearth version 0.1.0 (12), rnatuarearthhires version 0.2.0 (13), rgeos version 0.5-2 (14), and sf version 0.8-0 (15).

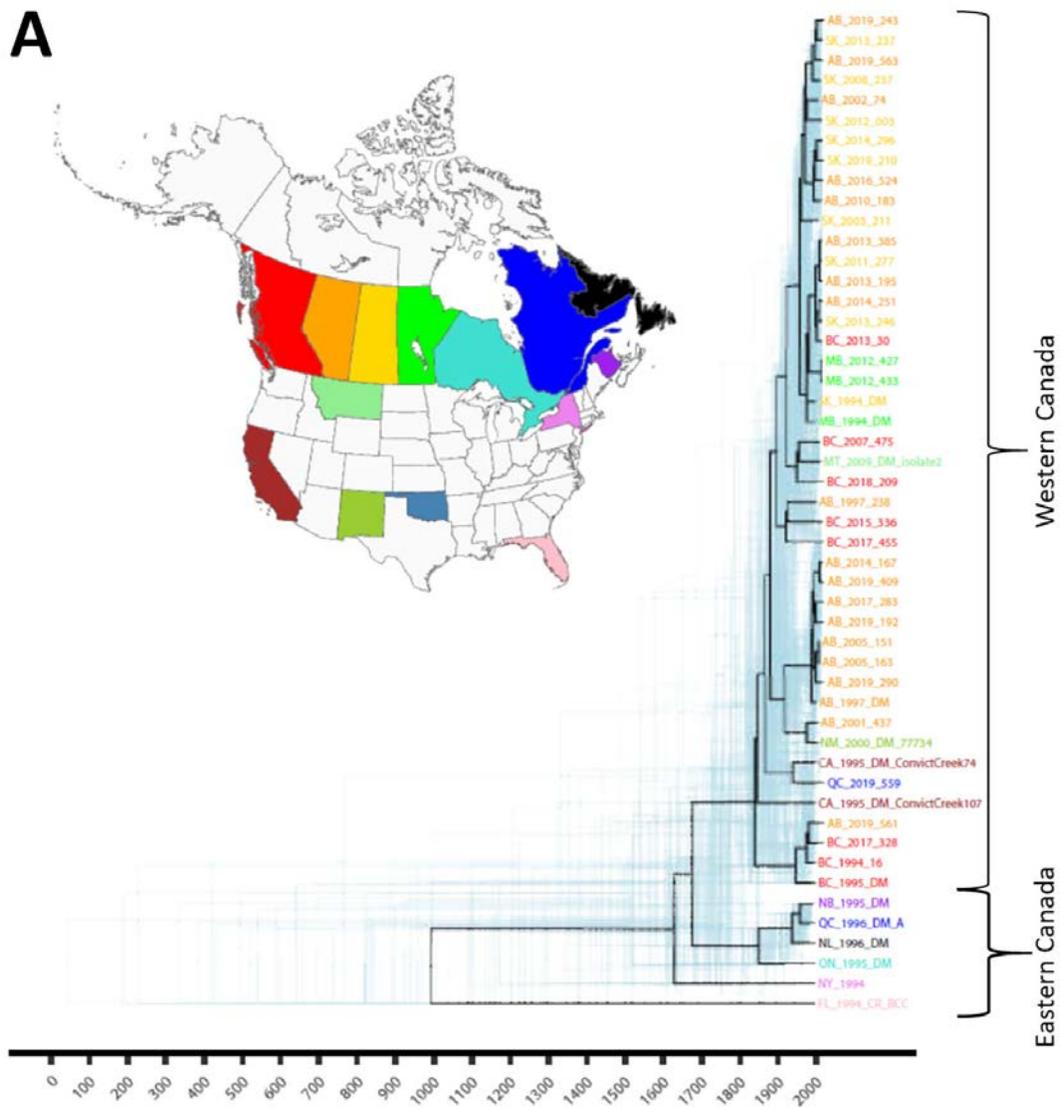
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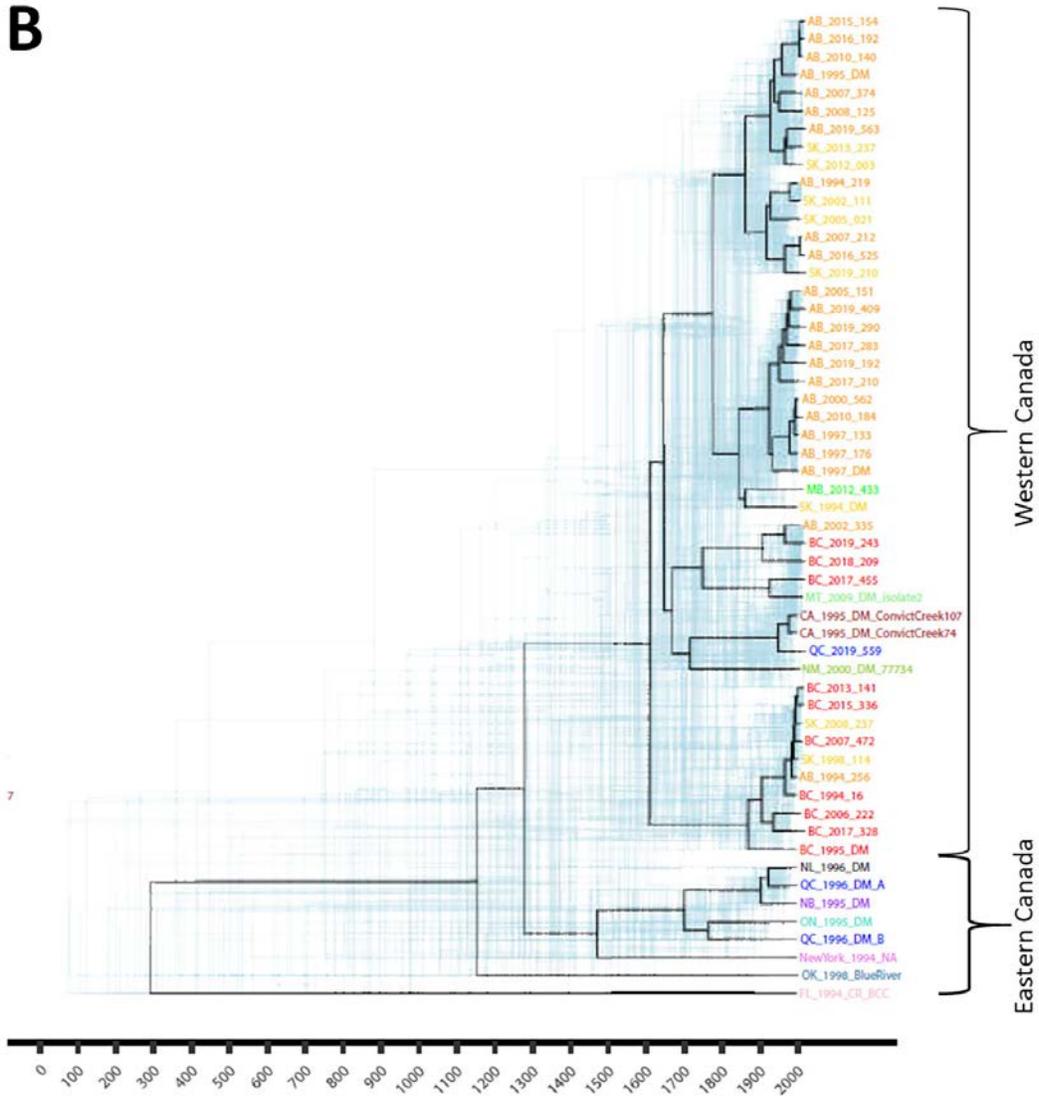
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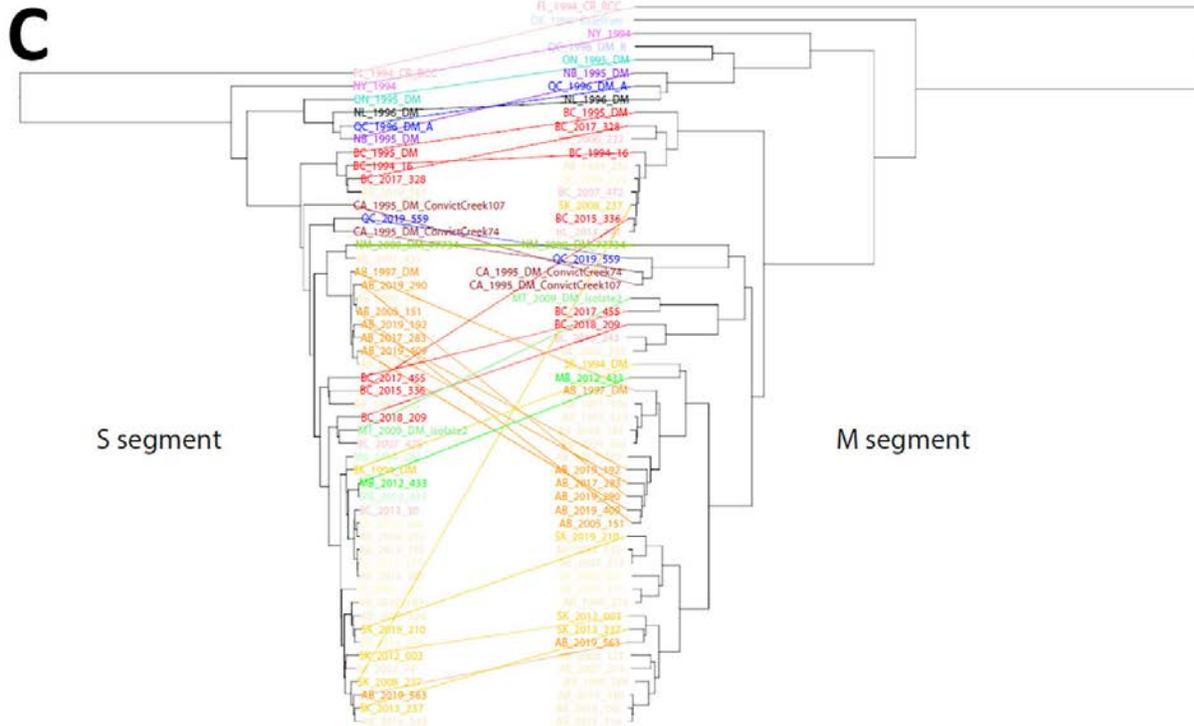
Appendix Table. GenBank accession numbers of reference sequences used in study of hantavirus cardiopulmonary syndrome, Canada

Virus name in trees	S segment accession no.	M segment accession no.
ConvictCreek_107	L33683.1	L33474.1
ConvictCreek_74	(Sequenced at NML)	L33684.1
NewYork	(Sequenced at NML)	U36801.1
77734	AF281851.1	AF281852.1
Isolate 2	JQ690282.1	—
BCC (Black Creek Canal)	L39949.1	L39950.1
BlueRiver	—	AF030552.1



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Appendix Figure. Molecular epidemiology and phylogenetic analysis of Sin Nombre virus (SNV) sequences from HCPS patients in Canada. A) Phylogenetic tree based on sequences of SNV small (S) segments from Canada and the United States. B) Phylogenetic tree based on sequences of SNV medium (M) segments from Canada and the United States. C) Corresponding S and M segments from Canadian HCPS patients. Lines connect S and M segments sequenced from the same SNV isolate.