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3 **Full genomic analysis of a simian SA11-like G3P[2] rotavirus strain**  
4 **isolated from an asymptomatic infant: identification of novel VP1, VP6**  
5 **and NSP4 genotypes**  
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51 **Abbreviation:** GAR, *group A rotavirus*.  
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## ABSTRACT

We report here the full genomic analysis of a simian SA11-like G3P[2] group A rotavirus (GAR) strain, B10, isolated from an asymptomatic infant in Kenya in 1987. By nucleotide sequence identities and phylogenetic analyses, the VP7-VP4-VP2-VP3-NSP1-NSP2-NSP3-NSP5 genes of strain B10 exhibited maximum genetic relatedness to those of the different isolates of simian strain SA11, and were assigned to the G3-P[2]-C5-M5-A5-N5-T5-H5 genotypes, respectively. On the other hand, the VP1, VP6 and NSP4 genes of strain B10 did not belong to any of the established GAR genotypes, and therefore, were assigned to new genotype numbers R8, I16 and E13, respectively, by the Rotavirus Classification Working Group. These observations suggested that strain B10 might have originated from reassortment event/s involving simian SA11-like strains and GAR strains from unknown animal host species (possibly other wild animals) preceding transmission to humans. Alternatively, considering the lack of data on simian GARs, it might be also possible that the VP1, VP6 and NSP4 genes of strain B10 are those of unknown simian strains, and that strain B10 might be a typical simian strain that was directly transmitted to humans. Therefore, either hypothesis pointed towards a rare instance of possible direct transmission of GARs from an animal host (possibly a monkey or some other wild animal) to humans. This was corroborated by the presence of different species of wild animals including non human primates, and unhygienic conditions at the sampling site. To our knowledge, the present study is the first report on the detection of a simian SA11-like G3P[2] GAR strain in humans.

**Key words:** Group A rotavirus; Novel genotypes; Zoonosis; Simian; Human.

## 1. Introduction

Group A rotavirus is a major cause of severe diarrhea in the young of humans and animals (Estes and Kapikian, 2007). The GAR genome is composed of 11 segments of double-stranded RNA encoding six structural and six nonstructural proteins (Estes and Kapikian, 2007). Among them, the outer capsid VP7 and VP4 proteins elicit neutralizing antibodies, and formed the basis of classification of GARs into G and P serotypes, respectively (Estes and Kapikian, 2007). Thereafter, on the basis of differences in the VP7 and VP4 gene sequences, GARs were classified into G and P genotypes, respectively (Estes and Kapikian, 2007; Santos and Hoshino, 2005). Although information on the G and P genotypes are essential for development of effective vaccines against GARs (Santos and Hoshino, 2005), analyses of the VP7 and VP4 genes were not sufficient to obtain conclusive data on the origin of a GAR strain, necessitating the need for a universal and standardized full genome-based classification scheme. Recently, the Rotavirus Classification Working Group (RCWG) proposed a classification system based on nucleotide sequence identity cut-off percentages for each of the 11 GAR genome segments, resulting in assignment of appropriate genotypes to each of the 11 genes of a GAR strain (Matthijssens et al., 2008a, b). Applying this unique scheme, the full genomes of several GAR strains from humans, animals and

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24 because of the close proximity of humans to livestock and companion animals (Martella  
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40 Malherbe et al., 1963; McNeal et al., 2005; Stuker et al., 1980; Westerman et al., 2006).  
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46 most likely representative of a typical simian genogroup, while the other derivatives of  
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49 strain SA11 were found to originate from reassortment events involving the introduction  
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52 of a bovine VP4 (strains SA11-30/19 and SA11-5S) or NSP2 (strain SA11-Both) gene  
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3 other simian strains, PTRV, RRV and TUCH, suggested that these strains originated  
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6 largely by combinations of interspecies transmission and reassortment with GARs  
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9 naturally occurring in other animal host species (Matthijssens et al., 2010b). To date,  
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12 there are no reports on direct transmission of simian GARs to humans under natural  
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21 tribal children in western India (Awachat et al., 2005). However, this report was based  
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24 on serological studies and sequencing of the partial-length VP7 (582 bp) and VP4 (345  
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36 analysis of an unusual simian SA11-like GAR strain, B10, detected from an  
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45 new genotypes by the RCWG. To our knowledge, the present study is the first report on  
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48 the detection of a simian SA11-like G3P[2] GAR strain in humans.  
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## 52 53 54 **2. Materials and methods**

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12 Cooperation Agency. The stool sample was screened for the presence of rotaviruses by  
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15 RNA electrophoresis in polyacrylamide gels as described previously (Herring et al.,  
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21 purified by plaque isolation in CV-1 cells, and stored at -80°C till further analysis.  
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## 25 ***2.2. Subgrouping***

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## 35 ***2.3. G and P serotyping***

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41 important human G serotypes (G1-4) as described previously (Taniguchi et al., 1987).  
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44 Reactivity against VP4 monoclonal antibodies was evaluated using previously described  
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## 51 ***2.4. RT-PCR and nucleotide sequencing***

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9 obtaining the full-length nucleotide sequences of the VP2, VP7, NSP2-3 and NSP5  
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12 genes, nearly full-length nucleotide sequences of the VP6 and NSP4 genes and  
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15 partial-length nucleotide sequences of the VP1, VP3-4 and NSP1 genes of strain B10  
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30 the VP1, VP6 and NSP4 genes of strain B10 did not belong to any of the established  
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45 amplify the full-length NSP1 gene. Nucleotide sequences were determined using the  
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## 56 57 ***2.5. Sequence analyses*** 58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65

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### 9 10 **2.6. Nucleotide sequence accession numbers**

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14 VP6-7 and NSP1-5 genes of group A rotavirus strain B10 are HM627553-HM627563,  
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### 22 **3. Results and discussion**

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14 full genomic sequence of strain B10 was analyzed. By nucleotide sequence identities  
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20 -T5-E13-H5 genotypes, respectively (Tables 1 and 2; Fig. 1A-K). With the exception of  
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28 classified into any of the established GAR genotypes, and therefore, were assigned to  
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27 NSP3 and NSP5 genes of strain B10 exhibited maximum nucleotide sequence identities  
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36 clustered with the SA11 isolates within the A5, N5, T5 and H5 genotypes, respectively  
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45 of other GARs, respectively (Table 2). These sequence identity values were less than the  
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14 appeared to be of simian origin, whilst the origin of the VP1, VP6 and NSP4 genes  
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28 other wild animals) preceding transmission to humans. Alternatively, considering the  
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36 humans. However, detection of similar gene sequences from simian strains are required  
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18 strain B10 to humans, it is unlikely that the 4-month-old infant came in close contact  
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22 sampling site lived under extreme unhygienic conditions, with a river and a bore well as  
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24 the main sources of drinking water. Different species of wild animals including  
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26 nonhuman primates are found in the Nakuru district of Kenya. Therefore, it might be  
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30 park or forests to the river or the bore well for water, and the infant was infected  
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12 when GARs cross the host species barrier, they fail to efficiently infect the new host  
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15 (Matthijnssens et al., 2006). Therefore, strain B10, being of animal origin, might have  
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18 failed to cause diarrhea in humans.  
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22 In conclusion, full genomic analysis of strain B10 revealed a rare instance of  
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25 possible direct transmission of GARs from an animal host (possibly a monkey or some  
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28 other wild animal) to humans. Strain B10 also exhibited novel VP1, VP6 and NSP4  
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31 genotypes, pointing towards the diverse nature of the GAR gene pool. To date, most  
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37 companion animals) living in close proximity to humans. On the other hand, in  
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40 countries like Kenya, part of the rural population lives near forests and under extreme  
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43 unhygienic conditions, often relying on natural sources of drinking water or food (raw  
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46 fruits or vegetables) accessed by a variety of wildlife. These settings offer an ideal  
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49 environment for transmission of GAR strains from different wild animals to humans, as  
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3 studies on rare human-animal reassortment events and/or zoonotic strains derived from  
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5 **Fig. 1A-K.** Phylogenetic trees constructed from nucleotide sequences of VP7, VP4,  
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**Table 1.** Genotype nature of the eleven gene segments of group A rotavirus (GAR) strain B10 sequenced in this study with those of selected human, animal and avian GAR strains with known genomic constellations.

Strain/Host	Genotype										
	VP7	VP4	VP6	VP1	VP2	VP3	NSP1	NSP2	NSP3	NSP4	NSP5
B10/Hu	G3	P[2]	I16	R8	C5	M5	A5	N5	T5	E13	H5
SA11-Both/Si	G3	P[2]	12	R2	C5	M5	A5	N2	T5	E2	H5
SA11-H96/Si	G3	P[2]	12	R2	C5	M5	A5	N5	T5	E2	H5
SA11-30/19/Si	G3	P[1]	12	R2	C5	M5	A5	N5	T5	E2	H5
SA11-5S/Si	G3	P[1]	12	R2	C5	M5	A5	N5	T5	E2	H5
RRV/Si	G3	P[3]	12	R2	C3	M3	A9	N2	T3	E3	H6
TUCH/Si	G3	P[24]	19	R3	C3	M3	A9	N1	T3	E3	H6
PTRV/Si	G8	P[1]	12	R2	C2	M2	A3	N2	T6	E2	H3
Wa/Hu	G1	P[8]	11	R1	C1	M1	A1	N1	T1	E1	H1
KU/Hu	G1	P[8]	11	R1	C1	M1	A1	N1	T1	E1	H1
Matlab36-02/Hu	G11	P[8]	11	R1	C1	M1	A1	N1	T1	E1	H1
DS-1/Hu	G2	P[4]	12	R2	C2	M2	A2	N2	T2	E2	H2
TB-Chen/Hu	G2	P[4]	12	R2	C2	M2	A2	N2	T2	E2	H2
BP1062/04/Hu	G8	P[14]	12	R2	C2	M2	A11	N2	T6	E2	H3
AU-1/Hu	G3	P[9]	13	R3	C3	M3	A3	N3	T3	E3	H3
CMH079/05/Hu	G3	P[10]	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	E3	H6
T152/Hu	G12	P[9]	13	R3	C3	M3	A12	N3	T3	E3	H6
CU-1/Ca	G3	P[3]	13	R3	C2	M3	A9	N2	T3	E3	H6
K9/Ca	G3	P[3]	13	R3	C2	M3	A9	N2	T3	E3	H6
Cat97/Fe	G3	P[3]	13	R3	C2	M3	A9	N2	T3	E3	H6
UK/Bo	G6	P[5]	12	R2	C2	M2	A3	N2	T7	E2	H3
Arg/Rio Negro/98/Gu	G8	P[1]	12	R5	C2	M2	A11	N2	T6	E12	H3
OSU/Po	G5	P[7]	15	R1	C1	M1	A1	N1	T1	E1	H1
30/96/La	G3	P[14]	12	R2	C2	M3	A9	N2	T6	E5	H3
ETD-822/Mu	G16	P[16]	17	R7	C7	M8	A7	N7	T10	E7	H9
PO-13/Av	G18	P[17]	14	R4	C4	M4	A4	N4	T4	E4	H4

Dark grey indicates the gene segments with a genotype identical to that of strain B10, while lighter shade of grey indicates the genome segments with a different genotype.

“—” indicates that no sequence data were available in the Genbank database.

Abbreviations: *Av* avian, *Bo* bovine, *Ca* canine, *Fe* feline, *Gu* guanaco, *Hu* human, *La* lapine, *Mu* murine, *Po* porcine and *Si* simian.

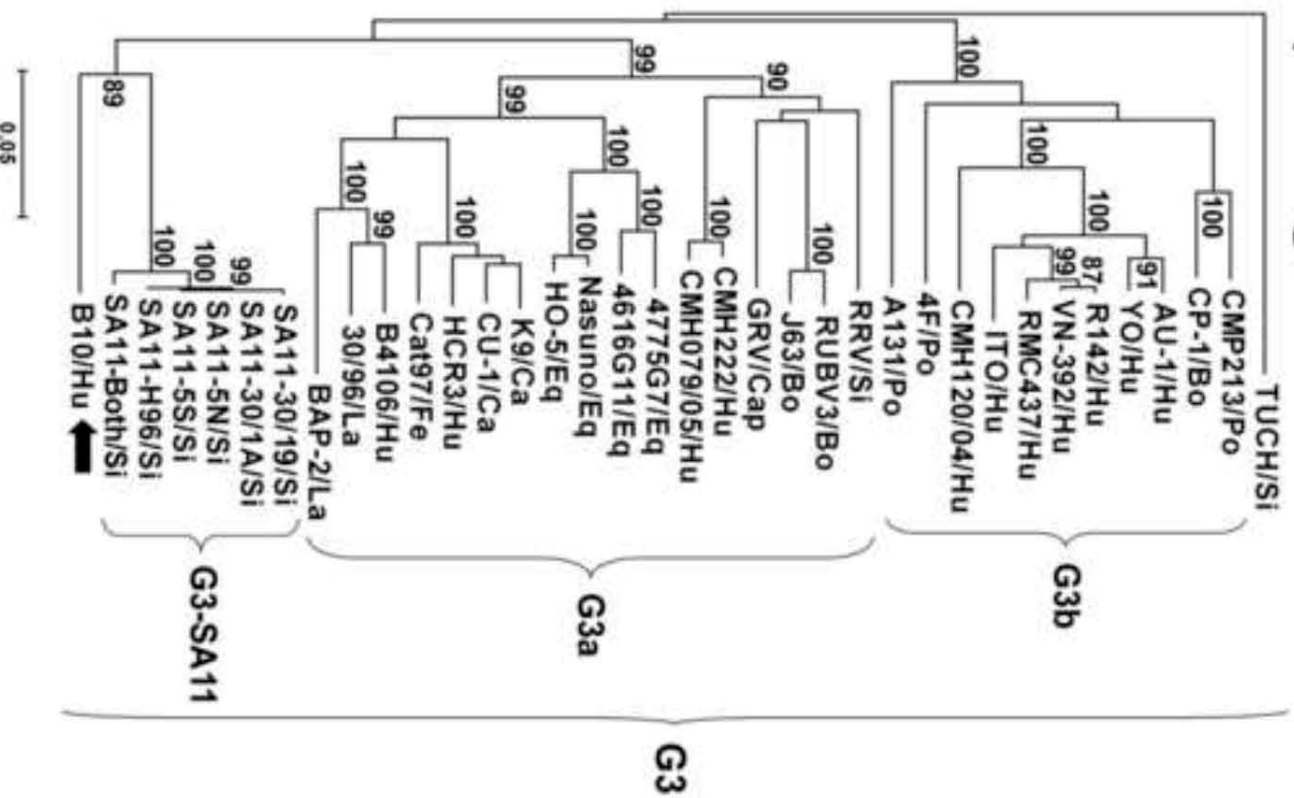
**Table 2.** Nucleotide sequence identities (%) of the eleven gene segments of group A rotavirus (GAR) strain B10 to those of selected human, animal and avian GAR strains.

Strain/Host/G-P combination	Nucleotide sequence identities (%)										
	VP7	VP4	VP6	VP1	VP2	VP3	NSP1	NSP2	NSP3	NSP4	NSP5
SA11-Both/Si/G3P[2]	85.8	82.8	78.9	80.3	91.8	92.6	90.5	79.3	94.1	78.8	94.9
SA11-H96/Si/G3P[2]	85.2	82.5	79.4	80.4	92.0	91.9	90.5	93.4	94.7	75.9	95.1
SA11-30/19/Si/G3P[1]	85.0	76.5	79.4	80.3	92.0	91.9	90.7	93.4	94.6	75.9	95.1
SA11-5S/Si/G3P[1]	85.1	76.6	79.3	80.4	92.0	91.9	90.7	93.4	94.6	75.9	95.1
RRV/Si/G3P[3]	83.0	78.0	81.5	80.4	82.3	79.8	65.3	79.1	77.3	82.8	90.1
TUCH/Si/G3P[24]	78.4	77.1	82.4	81.4	82.5	78.9	63.3	78.8	76.6	78.6	88.8
PTRV/Si/G8P[1]	76.7	76.2	81.3	80.8	80.9	77.6	56.9	79.5	76.5	79.6	89.5
Wa/Hu/G1P[8]	77.3	71.3	80.6	80.9	81.3	77.7	58.7	81.4	74.6	78.0	86.1
KU/Hu/G1P[8]	77.8	71.8	81.0	80.1	80.4	77.4	57.6	81.5	74.9	77.9	86.2
Matlab36-02/Hu/G11P[8]	78.4	72.2	80.6	81.5	80.6	76.9	57.1	82.3	74.8	77.2	88.6
DS-1/Hu/G2P[4]	75.8	71.9	81.2	80.6	81.3	78.2	57.8	79.3	75.3	75.2	84.7
TB-Chen/Hu/G2P[4]	75.5	72.5	81.2	80.2	81.4	77.9	57.6	79.8	75.7	79.0	69.9
BP1062/04/Hu/G8P[14]	77.6	68.3	81.0	80.6	81.5	77.9	57.6	81.2	75.7	79.9	90.0
AU-1/Hu/G3P[9]	81.2	68.9	81.0	81.9	83.0	80.0	56.1	82.7	76.9	82.5	88.3
CMH079/05/Hu/G3P[10]	84.3	71.8	83.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	82.5	89.4
T152/Hu/G12P[9]	77.0	69.1	83.0	81.7	82.8	81.0	59.5	82.2	76.6	81.7	88.9
CU-1/Ca/G3P[3]	81.9	78.8	81.3	80.6	81.3	80.8	65.0	78.5	75.6	81.5	88.0
K9/Ca/G3P[3]	81.7	78.4	81.1	80.4	81.2	80.8	64.3	79.0	76.6	82.1	87.5
Cat97/Fe/G3P[3]	81.8	78.5	80.9	80.7	81.3	80.9	64.3	78.7	75.5	82.0	87.8
UK/Bo/G6P[5]	78.9	70.6	82.2	80.2	80.3	77.2	57.4	80.2	73.0	78.7	88.0
Arg/Rio Negro/98/Gu/G8P[1]	76.5	76.0	81.1	79.9	81.0	77.7	58.3	79.7	76.2	81.0	89.7
OSU/Po/G5P[7]	77.8	76.1	77.8	80.1	81.3	77.7	57.3	82.6	74.3	76.4	87.6
30/96/La/G3P[14]	81.8	67.9	80.5	79.6	81.1	78.3	64.3	79.1	74.6	77.1	88.0
ETD-822/Mu/G16P[16]	78.5	70.1	77.4	74.1	76.2	69.7	57.8	75.0	68.2	70.3	80.6
PO-13/Av/G18P[17]	67.3	66.6	67.2	71.8	69.3	63.3	50.4	64.2	53.9	55.8	62.0

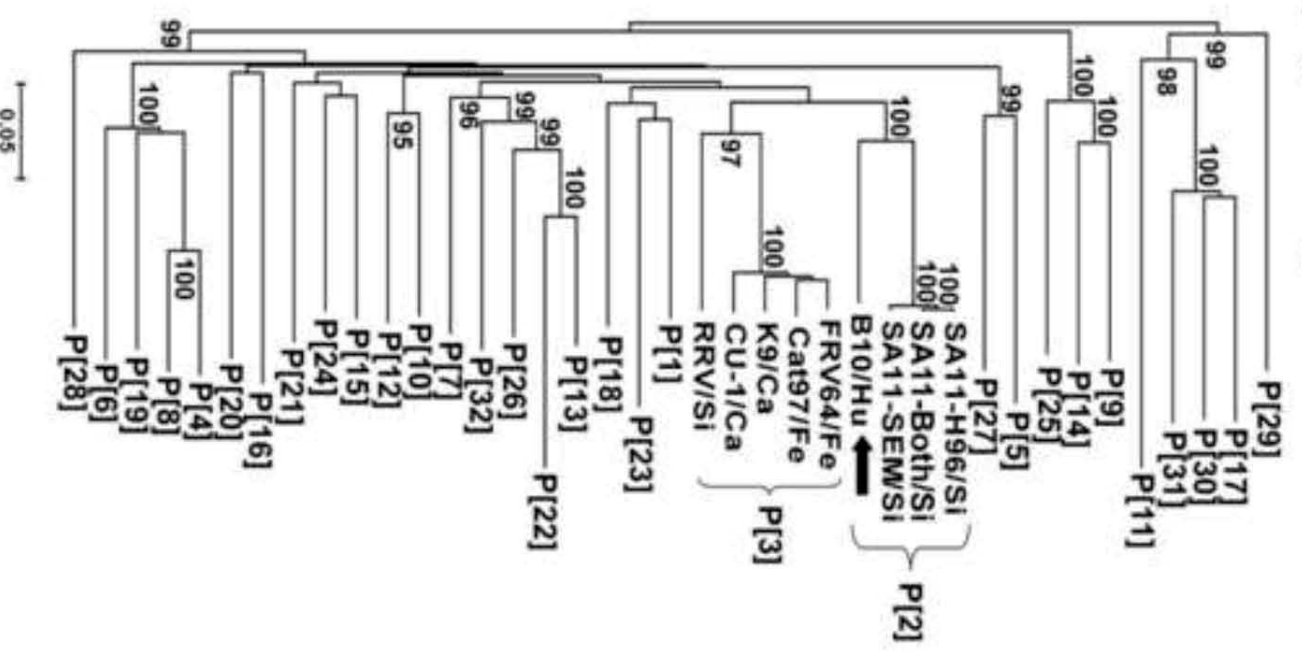
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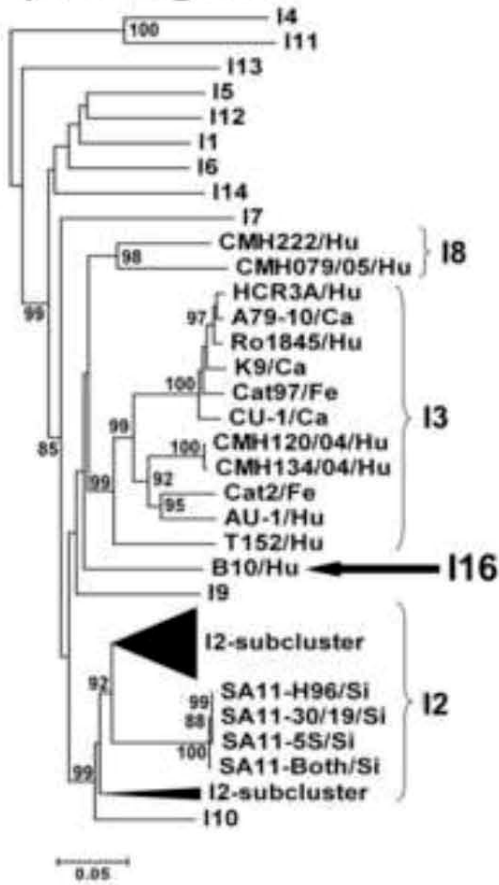
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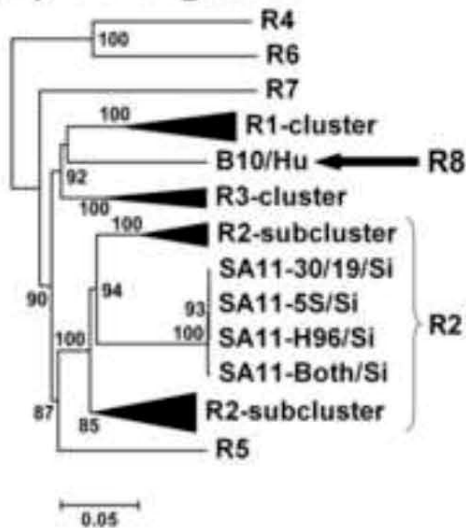
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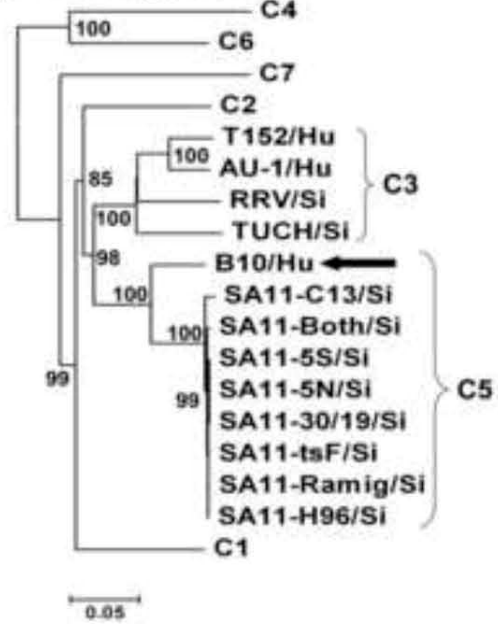
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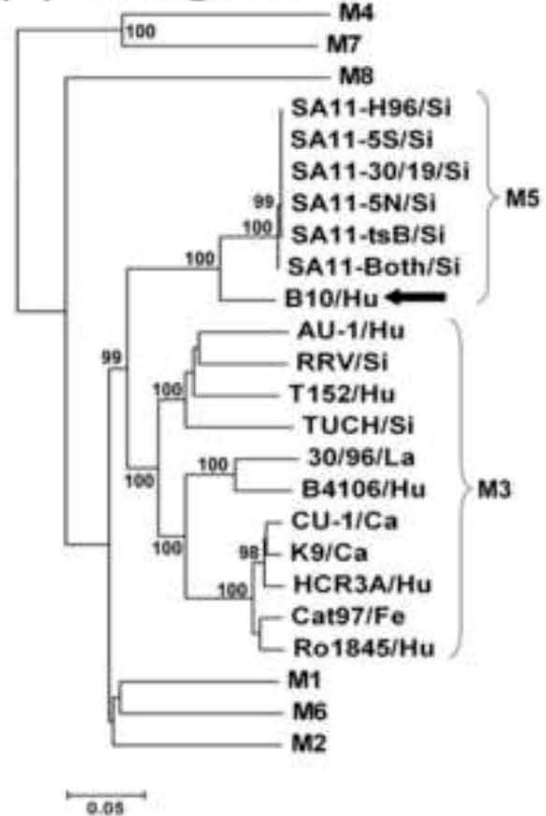
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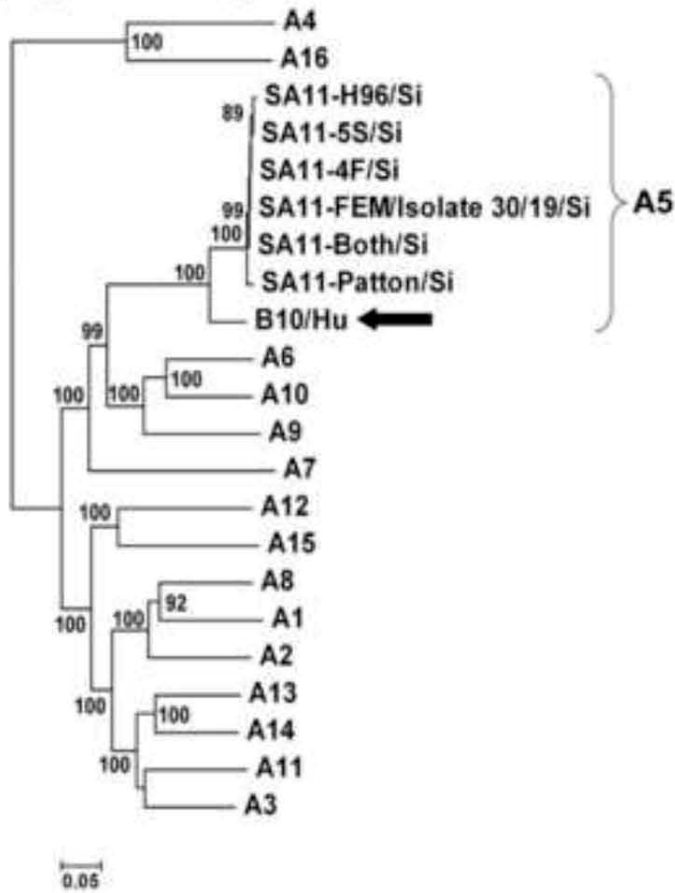


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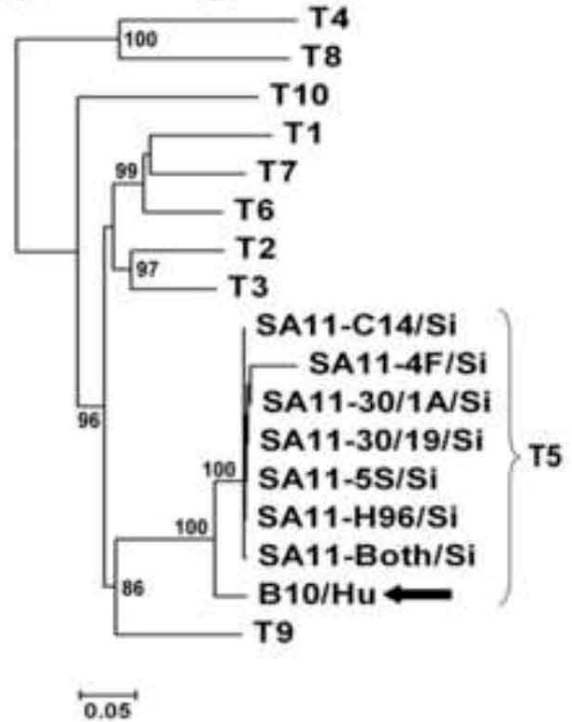




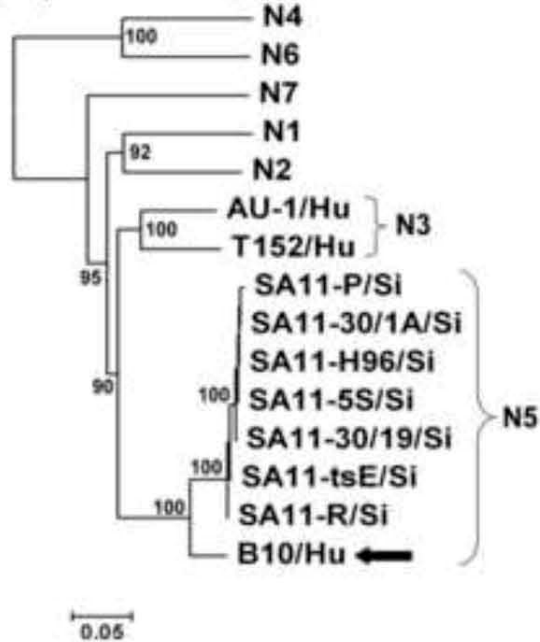
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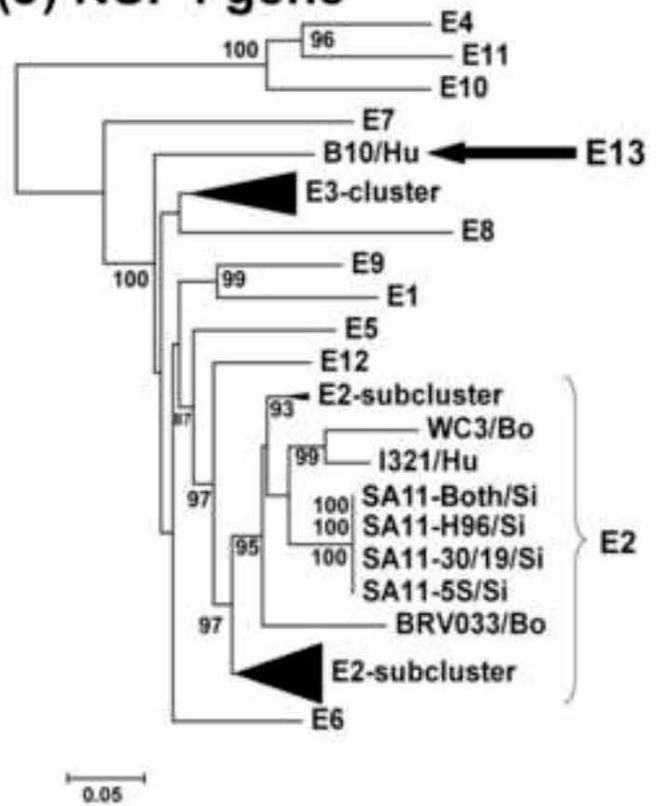
### (I) NSP3 gene



### (H) NSP2 gene



### (J) NSP4 gene



# (K) NSP5 gene

