- 1 Mating Season, Egg Laying Season, and Internal Gametic Association in
- 2 Sympatrically Occurring the Fluffy Sculpin (Oligocottus snyderi) and
- 3 Rosy Sculpin (O. rubellio)
- 4 Running head: Reproductive Strategies in two marine sculpin species
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# Abstract

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Some marine sculpins (Psychrolutidae) exhibit an unusual reproductive mode called internal gametic association (IGA), in which sperm transfer between the sexes occurs during copulation, but fertilization is delayed until the eggs are released in seawater. IGA is suggested in many internally inseminating marine sculpins, but experimental evidence of IGA is limited to a few species. The Fluffy Sculpin (Oligocottus snyderi) and sister species Rosy Sculpin (O. rubellio), occur in sympatry in intertidal zones along the central California coast. Although these species likely exhibit internal insemination, their reproductive strategy is not well understood. Here, we investigate reproductive mode, mating season, egg-laying season, and sperm morphology and activity in Fluffy and Rosy Sculpin near Pillar Point, CA. Embryonic development was observed for the eggs of the Rosy Sculpin exposed to seawater, indicating IGA in this species. We were unable to demonstrate IGA by initiation of development in the Fluffy Sculpin because we were unable to collect females with ovulated oocytes. Nevertheless, we found that sperm morphology with elongated head and high motility in isotonic solution while immotile in seawater in both species represent characteristics associated with IGA. Seasonal changes in gonadosomatic index (GSI) of both sexes revealed asynchronous gonadal maturation between the sexes in the Fluffy Sculpin, and suggests the similar pattern in the Rosy Sculpin, however small sample size in the latter was not definitive. These patterns indicate that males copulate with females before egg maturation, and females store sperm for several months. Our study supports the generality of IGA across marine sculpins and shows their association with the annual pattern in GSI. Further, while Fluffy and Rosy Sculpins are similar in body morphology, habitat, and reproductive mode, the slight difference in mating season (pre-mating isolation) and sperm head and flagella length

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# INTRODUCTION

41	While most oviparous fishes are broadcast spawners, in which eggs and sperm are released into
42	the water column followed by external fertilization, some exhibit internal insemination with
43	copulatory behavior. Fishes with internal insemination either exhibit true internal fertilization or
44	an unusual reproductive mode called internal gametic association (IGA, Munehara et al., 1989).
45	In species with IGA, sperm transfer occurs during copulation, where a spermatozoon associates
46	with the oocyte micropyle in the ovary (Koya et al., 2002). However, fertilization is delayed until
47	the eggs are released in seawater (Munehara et al., 1989, 1991; Petersen et al., 2005; Koya et al.,
48	2015). Therefore, while IGA species exhibit copulation, they do not exhibit internal fertilization.
49	IGA was first confirmed in the elkhorn sculpin (Alcichthys alcicornis, superfamily Cottoidea:
50	Munehara et al., 1989), and this reproductive mode was later found in several species of
51	Cottoidea (e.g., Abe and Munehara, 2009 for review; Koya et al., 2015). Further, circumstantial
52	evidence suggests that several species in other families may also exhibit IGA-like reproductive
53	mode. Histological studies indicate that ovaries contain spermatozoa, but neither developmental
54	oocytes nor early cleavage stages are found in the ovary (e.g., family Auchenipteridae: Burns et
55	al., 2002; Parreira et al., 2009, family Characidae: Burns et al., 1997). Akagawa et al., (2008)
56	also suggest that the Japanese tubesnout, Aulichthys japonicus (Aulorhynchidae,
57	Gasterosteiformes), is likely to exhibit IGA from behavioral observations and a previous report
58	(Okiyama et al., 1993, but this statement was cited from a symposium and the content could not
59	be confirmed). Although the actual timing of fertilization has not been studied in these species,
60	they probably exhibit a reproductive pattern similar to that of IGA. Such IGA and IGA-like
61	reproductive mode evolved convergently in multiple lineages and therefore represent a good
62	model for the evolutionary strategy of copulation (Abe and Munehara, 2009).

The superfamily Cottoidea previously contained seven families (Nelson 2006; Nelson et al., 2016). However, according to Smith and Busby (2014), based on phylogenetic analysis using both morphological and molecular data, the revised taxonomy of Cottoidea recognizes six families, one of which (Psychrolutidae) includes the former Bathylutichthyidae. In this revised taxonomy, nearly all former marine cottid genera (marine sculpins) and the former Psychrolutidae is included in Psychrolutidae, and the Cottidae is assigned to the majority of freshwater cottid genera (i.e. freshwater sculpins). Although the grouping of the revised taxonomy is appropriate, considering that 190 species of the traditional marine Cottidae phylogenetically include 35 Psychrolutidae, it would be more appropriate to group them together as Cottidae, or to give them a new family name, or to make marine Cottidae and freshwater Cottidae as a subfamily of Cottidae. We suggest renaming Cottidae and Psychrolutidae to other family name but followed revised taxonomy of Smith and Busby (2014), and marine sculpins are treated as Psychrolutidae. Of the six families in superfamily Cottoidea, three families (Agonidae, Cottidae, and Psychrolutidae) include both internal insemination and/or true external fertilization (Abe and Munehara, 2009). In Cottidae (freshwater sculpin), most species exhibit true external fertilization but two species of the genus Comephorus have acquired internal fertilization and viviparity (e.g., Jakubowski et al, 2003, Ito et al. 2021). Psychrolutidae (marine sculpin), which refer to traditional marine Cottidae and Psychrolutidae, exhibit both true external fertilization and internal insemination with copulation. At least to date, no true external fertilization species have been found in Agonidae, all being internally inseminating species. In Psychrolutidae and Agonidae, previous studies have shown that all of the internally inseminating species examined experimentally exhibit IGA (Koya et al., 1993, 2015; Abe and Munehara, 2005, 2009). Species

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with IGA share several characteristics with true internal fertilizers. For example, most IGA species have a well-developed genital papilla for mating (Evans and Meisner, 2009) and have sperm with elongated head, in comparison with external fertilizing species that lack copulatory anatomy and exhibit round sperm head morphology (Koya et al., 2011; Buser et al., 2017; Ito and Awata, 2019; Ito et al., 2022). While IGA is interesting in the evolution of reproductive strategy, it is currently unknown how widespread this strategy is within Agonidae and Psychrolutidae. At present, 24 genera of Agonidae and Psychrolutidae are known to perform internal insemination spanning multiple independent clades (Agonidae: Agonomalus, Blepsias, Brachyopsis, Hemitripterus, Ocella, Pallasina, Podothecus; Psychrolutidae: Alcichthys, Artedius, Astrocottus, Bero, Chitonotus, Clinocottus, Enophrys, Furcina, Icelus, Oligocottus, Orthonopias, Pseudoblennius, Psychrolutes, Radulinopsis, Synchirus, Vellitor. See [Abe and Munehara, 2009; Munehara, 2011; Koya et al., 2015; Momota and Munehara, 2017; Awata et al, 2019, 2022]). However, only seven species have been experimentally demonstrated to exhibit IGA by observation of initiation of development via exposing the eggs to seawater (Al. alcicornis, Munehara et al., 1989; Ar. harringtoni, Petersen et al., 2005; Bl. cirrhosus, Munehara et al., 1991; H. villosus, Munehara et al., 1997; Pa. barbata, Momota and Munehara, 2017; Po. Sachi, Munehara 1997; V. centropomus, Koya et al., 2015). Marine sculpins in the subfamily Oligocottinae (Psychrolutidae) are represented by 16 species including both external fertilizers and internal inseminators (Buser et al., 2017). They are all found in shallow waters of the west coast of North America and possess a suite of traits that enable them to exploit intertidal habitats (Ramon and Knope, 2008; Buser and López, 2015). Within the Oligocottinae, species of *Oligocottus* are dominant in shallow tidepools (Green, 1971; Miller and Lea, 1972; Nakamura, 1976). Historically, the Fluffy Sculpin (*Oligocottus snyder*i)

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was reported to exhibit internal fertilization in 1956 (Morris, 1956), and several studies have focused on the reproduction of the Fluffy Sculpin (Morris, 1956; Nakamura, 1976; Grossman and DeVlaming, 1984; Freeman et al., 1985). However, to our knowledge, neither IGA nor variation in gonadsomatic index (GSI), which is important to understand reproductive strategies, has been investigated. There are also no studies on reproduction/reproductive mode in the Rosy Sculpin (*O. rubellio*), which is a sister species to the Fluffy Sculpin and occurs in sympatry with the Fluffy Sculpin (Miller and Lea, 1972). In this study, we focused on reproductive strategies of these two species, such as IGA and seasonal variation in gonad maturation (i.e. GSI) for both sexes. Evaluating reproductive strategies in a comparative context between these two sister species informs both the evolution of complex reproductive modes as well as mechanisms of reproductive isolation and speciation.

Seasonal variation in gonadosomatic index (GSI) can be used to infer mating season (i.e., when male gonads are ripe as indicated by max GSI) and egg-laying season (i.e., max GSI in females indicating the presence of mature oocytes) to reveal aspects of reproductive mode and strategy. In external fertilizers such as seasonal iteroparity, peak GSI is synchronized between males and females (e.g., Valdés et al., 2004; Martyniuk et al., 2009; Awata et al., 2010; Ochi et al., 2017; Kunishima et al., 2021; Samejima et al., 2021). Conversely, internally fertilizing viviparous fishes show offset peak GSI between the sexes, as females develop offspring after copulation (Yokogawa and Iguchi, 1992a; Izumiyama et al., 2020a, 2020b). Reproduction of female Fluffy Sculpins is characterized at one site (Dillon Beach, CA, USA) based on seasonal growth and oocyte maturation (Grossman and DeVlaming, 1984), indicating that egg laying occurs in winter and spring and is correlated with day length. However, seasonality of reproduction in male Fluffy and, male and female Rosy Sculpins, have not been characterized.

Therefore, it is currently unknown whether mating season and egg-laying season are synchronized between the sexes, nor if there is disparity in mating season between these sympatric sister species.

Here, we investigate the seasonal variation in male and female GSIs in Fluffy and Rosy Sculpins at Pillar Point, Half Moon Bay, CA to estimate their mating and egg-laying seasons. Second, we verified species identity of Rosy and Fluffy Sculpins based on morphological characteristics and *CO1* and *Cytb* gene trees. Third, we experimentally investigated IGA in the two species to inform whether IGA is a common strategy across copulatory sculpins. Finally, we characterized sperm morphology and motility of both species to evaluate whether sperm morphology and kinematics are associated with the IGA strategy.

# MATERIALS AND METHODS

143 Sampling

Fluffy and Rosy Sculpins reach sexual maturity at approximately 40 mm standard length (SL, Grossman and DeVlaming, 1984; Freeman et al., 1985). Based on this, we collected 338 sexually mature sculpins of mixed species larger than about 40 mm SL during tractable tidal heights (-0.3 ft to +0.5 ft) in March 2018 and almost every month from October 2019 to May 2022 in the intertidal zone of rocky shores near Mavericks Beach at Pillar Point, Half Moon Bay, San Mateo County, CA, USA (37°29'42.30"N, 122°29'53.03"W). One Smoothhead Sculpin (*Artedius lateralis*) and ten Wooly Sculpin (*Clinocottus analis*) were also collected at the same site for genetic analyses.

Species identification

The external morphology of Fluffy and Rosy Sculpins is very similar, especially in females (Nakamura, 1976), making species field identification challenging. Therefore, it was necessary to confirm species identity by DNA sequencing for the specimens with less certainty. Genomic DNA was extracted from fin clips taken from each individual using Qiagen DNEasy blood and tissue kit (Qiagen Inc., Valencia, CA), and the *Cytb* and *CO1* loci were sequenced to confirm species identity in a phylogenetic context. Gene trees were constructed using 561 bp of *CO1* (n = 209 fish of mixed species, including one Smoothhead and ten Wooly Sculpins) and 1051 bp of *Cytb* (n = 38 fish). Primer sequences (Table1) were adopted from Ward et al. (2005) or Schmidt and Gold (1993). *CO1* amplifications were accomplished following Buser and López (2015). PCR products were purified using Qiagen PCR purification kit and sequencing reactions were performed by ElimBio Pharmaceuticals (Hayward, CA). PCR amplification and sequencing of the *Cytb* locus were accomplished following Awata et al. (2019, 2022).

Gene tree topologies were constructed using MEGA version X (Stecher et al., 2020), with the maximum likelihood method with GTR+G+I model and 1,000 bootstrap replicates. For species identification, 11 *CO1* sequences from ten species and 19 *Cytb* sequences from ten species were obtained from NCBI (Tables S1 and S2; Hastings and Burton, 2008; Buser and López 2015; Turanov and Kartavtsev, 2021; Awata et al., 2022). For both trees, *Scorpaenichthys marmoratus* was set as the outgroup.

Embryonic development and evaluation of IGA

We used the onset of development to indicate IGA in Rosy Sculpin and characterized the first 21 days of embryonic development, following the methods of Munehara et al. (1989, 1991),

Petersen et al. (2005), and Koya et al. (2015). After euthanization of a gravid female of Rosy Sculpin (*n* = 1) with overdose of MS-222 (200 mg/L) followed by cervical transection, eggs were stripped from the female by pushing on the abdomen with no contamination from seawater, blood, or urine. The egg clutch was split into two portions, and each was placed into experimental and control petri dishes with covers. Seawater was added to the experimental dish but not to the control dish. Control dish contained eggs with ovarian fluid and moistened Kimwipes. The dishes were floated on the top of seawater to regulate the temperature (13–15 °C) and humidity. Early developmental progress was checked daily before egg-hatching. We also attempted to assess IGA and egg development of five females of Fluffy Sculpin but did not find any females with ovulated oocytes in the ovaries (see Results).

### Characterization of sperm motility and morphology

To evaluate the association between sperm characteristics and IGA, sperm motility and morphology were evaluated using males of Fluffy (n = 8) and Rosy (n = 3) sculpins. Testes were dissected from the euthanized male, and semen was collected by cutting the posterior region of the testis and was diluted in seawater or isotonic solution (150 mM NaCl, 10 mM HEPES, pH 8.0, following Ito and Awata [2019] and Koya et al. [1993] in a 1:30 ratio to mimic ovarian fluid) on glass slides coated with 1% bovine serum albumin. Sperm motility was recorded using phase-contrast microscopy (DSM-III-104, Daiko Science, Japan), equipped with a digital CCD camera (HD 212, AmScope, USA). Sperm swimming speed (measured as curvilinear velocity) was calculated using cell motility analysis software (BohBoh version 4.51J, BohBohSoft, Japan). A small amount of semen was preserved in a fixative of 2.5% glutaraldehyde, 0.45 M glucose, and 60 mM HEPES, following Ito and Awata (2019) for characterization of sperm morphology.

We photographed sperm using a differential interference microscope (BX53, Olympus, Japan), equipped with a digital color CCD camera (DP73, Olympus, Japan) and CellSens Standard software ver. 1.9 (Olympus, Japan). We measured the morphology of the sperm components in the images using ImageJ ver. 1.50i. Fine structure of sperm of Fluffy Sculpin (n = 1) was also photographed using a scanning transmission electron microscope (Zeiss Ultra 55, GEMINI technology, England).

### Calculation of gonadosomatic index (GSI)

Total body mass, gut mass, and gonad mass (to, 0.001 g) were recorded for each euthanized individual to examine seasonal variation in gonadosomatic index (GSI, Mass<sub>gonad</sub> / [Mass<sub>body</sub>-Mass<sub>gut</sub>] × 100) of Fluffy and Rosy Sculpins. GSI was calculated as gonad mass divided by total body mass minus gut mass to remove variation associated with feeding. Male and female GSI were plotted for each month to infer mating- and egg-laying seasonality, regardless of sampling year. The monthly average water temperature at the study site was obtained from the website (https://seatemperature.net/current/united-states/half-moon-bay-seatemperature) to evaluate effects of temperature on mating or egg laying seasons.

#### Statistical analyses

As the sperm morphological characteristics, we measured total sperm length ( $\mu$ m), flagellum length ( $\mu$ m), head length and width ( $\mu$ m), and midpiece length and width ( $\mu$ m) and also calculated head length / head width, head length / total sperm length, head length / flagellum length, and midpiece length / midpiece width. We compared these 11 variables and sperm swimming speed between Fluffy and Rosy Sculpins. In these comparisons, linear mixed models

(LMMs) were fitted considering species as fixed effects and individual ID as a random effect, given the measurement of each characteristic per male from multiple sperms. Likelihood ratio tests were performed to determine the statistical significance (P < 0.05) of the fixed effects. Statistical analyses were conducted by R software (R Core Team, 2016).

# **RESULTS**

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Species identification As has been described in Morris (1956), male Fluffy and Rosy Sculpins exhibit an anal fin modification, where the first two anal soft rays are distinct and elongated for optimization of copulation, with slight morphological variation between species (Fig. S1). Buser et al. (2017) identified morphological variation between the species, such as body depth, eye size, and shape, but these morphological characteristics are difficult to discern in the field, especially in females. Therefore, we verified species identification by using the reconstructed phylogeny of the specimens. Gene trees of CO1 and Cytb were diagnostic for the two species (Fig. S2 and Fig. S3). In the CO1 phylogenetic trees (Fig. S2), 138 samples were assigned to the Fluffy Sculpin, including two samples (1.5 %) being misidentified as the Rosy Sculpin during field morphological identification. Such a misidentification rate was higher for the Rosy Sculpin (Fig. S2); of 60 genetically assigned to the Rosy Sculpin, 21 (35.0 %) were morphologically assigned as the Fluffy Sculpin in the field. In the Cytb phylogenetic trees (Fig. S3), 21 and 17 samples were assigned as the Fluffy and Rosy Sculpin, respectively. We also found that the CO1 sequence of the Fluffy Sculpin registered in GenBank (KP827314: Buser and López 2015) was misidentified as the Woolly Sculpin. The Cytb sequences of Rosy Sculpins were deposited in

GenBank (n = 5 fish; Table S2). In total, 90 males and 150 females of Fluffy Sculpin, 36 males and 62 females of Rosy Sculpin were verified from the morphological and genetic analyses.

#### *IGA* and embryonic development

Mean ± SD of ovulated oocyte diameter was 1.33 ±1.01 mm for Rosy Sculpin (*n* = 11 eggs from one female). After exposing a portion of an egg mass to seawater (experimental dish), the 2-cell stage of the embryo was observed within 10 h (Fig. 1A). The blastula stage and early gastrula stage were observed after 24 and 48 h, respectively (Fig. 1B, 1C). Optic vesicles were developed by 6 days post fertilization (dpf), and eye pigmentation and otoliths were observed at 11 dpf (Fig. 1D, 1E). Well-developed embryos with lateral line pigmentation hatched at approximately 22 dpf (Fig. 1F). Development within the clutch was uniform, suggesting a single fertilization event for the entire clutch (with no inference on number of sperm donors). No developmental eggs were observed in the control dish even after 24h. We were unable to observe embryonic development in the Fluffy Sculpin in five different experimental trials with five females due to the lack of ovulated oocytes in the females at the time of collection for the IGA experiment. The ovaries of these five individuals contained eggs of several size classes, but none were free from the ovarian matrix. Attempts were made to expose these eggs to seawater, but no development was observed in any of the five individuals.

#### Sperm characteristics

Sperm morphology in both Fluffy and Rosy Sculpins was similar in appearance (Fig. 2A, 2B).

The morphology of the head was elongated, not spherical, and had a 'butter knife' shape. In the

Fluffy Sculpin, fine structure imaging revealed that the flagellum was covered by midpiece and

recessed into the head (Fig. 2C). Although there was a high degree of similarity in sperm morphology between species, there were significant differences in five morphometric components (Table 2). Total sperm length and flagella length of Rosy Sculpin were significantly longer than those of Fluffy Sculpin. Sperm head length and head width in Rosy Sculpins were also significantly longer than those in Fluffy Sculpins, but the head shape (head length / head width) did not differ between the species. Midpiece length, width, and their ratio were not significantly different between the species. The ratio of head length to total sperm and to flagella length also differed slightly between the species. In both Fluffy and Rosy Sculpins, sperm was motile in isotonic solution but completely immotile in seawater. Sperm swimming speed was not significantly different between the two species (Table 2).

### Seasonal changes in GSI

The monthly average sample size used for the GSI analyses was 8 males and 13 females in Fluffy Sculpins. There was seasonal variation in male and female GSIs of Fluffy sculpins (Fig. 3). We define mating season by elevated GSI that was > c.a. 1.5% of reproductively active males (> 40 mm SL). According to this criterion, we estimated that the mating season for Fluffy Sculpin is protracted spanning a 6-month period from September to February (Fig. 3A). GSI values for males shows that peak mating occurs from October to December.

As expected from the reproductive mode in the Fluffy Sculpins, asynchronous gonadal maturation between the sexes was observed. GSI values for female Fluffy Sculpin were elevated from November to May with peak egg laying occurring season occurring from December to March (with average GSI ranging from 8.4 to 9.1%, Fig. 3B). Unfortunately, the five female Fluffy Sculpins we examined for IGA development trials did not include any individuals with

ovulated oocytes. Females exhibited lower GSI values from June to October. Note that females were much less abundant in the intertidal site during this time, suggesting that they may have died after laying eggs, or migrated away from the intertidal, suggesting the intertidal is used as a nursery habitat for these species.

Although the sample size of Rosy Sculpins was too small (3 males and 5 females on monthly average) to make strong inferences due to their low abundance at our study site, seasonal variation in GSI values were also observed for both male and female Rosy sculpins. The GSI values of males increased from November to May (i.e. mating season, Fig. 3C). Egg-laying season of Rosy Sculpins, indicated by the increase in female GSI occurred from January to June (Fig. 3D). The water temperature ranged from 11 to 16 °C in 2019–2022, and female GSI of both species had an inverse relationship with water temperature (Fig. 3B and D).

# **DISCUSSION**

Embryonic development was observed in eggs of the Rosy Sculpin exposed to seawater but not for those in the only ovarian fluid, indicating that the Rosy Sculpins exhibit the IGA reproductive strategy. We also described, for the first time, aspects of embryonic development in Rosy Sculpin, which hatched at approximately 23 days after contact with seawater. Unfortunately, we failed to obtain mature female Fluffy Sculpins with ovulated oocytes for the IGA experiments. However, we also did not find any fertilized eggs and eggs of early cleavage stages in the ovaries of the Fluffy Sculpin, while the ovaries contained spermatozoa, indicating that copulation has taken place but fertilization has not occurred. Further, the sperm morphology of Fluffy sculpin is characterized as having an elongated head and motility in isotonic solution but immotile in

seawater, similar to the sperm characteristics of the Rosy Sculpins and represented characteristics associated with IGA species (Abe and Muneahra, 2009; Koya et al., 2011; Ito and Awata, 2019; Ito et al., 2022). Therefore, although Morris (1956) has noted that the Fluffy Sculpins are internal fertilizers, we infer that their reproductive mode is IGA, as we observed in Rosy Sculpins. Previous studies have shown that seven internally inseminating Cottoidea species have an IGA reproductive mode (Munehara 1997; Munehara et al., 1989, 1991, 1997; Petersen et al., 2005; Koya et al., 2015; Momota and Munehara, 2017) and have suggested that other copulatory species are also likely to exhibit IGA (Abe and Munehara, 2009; Koya et al., 2015; Awata et al, 2019, 2022). The present results support this assumption and indicates that IGA evolved multiple times independently in multiple clades of the Cottoidea (Cottidae, Agonidae, and Psychrolutidae). In addition, although the majority are external fertilization, IGA or IGA-like fertilization modes are recognized in a few species in Perciformes (Cottoidea) as well as in Characiformes (at least 27 species in Glandulocaudinae and Stevardiinae of Characidae: Burns et al., 1995; 1997), Gasterosteiformes (one species in Aulorhynchidae: Akagawa et al., 2008; Okiyama et al., 1993), and Siluriformes (at least five species in Auchenipteridae: Meisner et al., 2000; Burns et al., 2002; Parreira et al., 2009). The presence of IGA in a wide range of taxa suggests that IGA may have evolved independently across fishes of different families of multiple orders. In terms of life history strategy, species with IGA share several characteristics with both oviparous and viviparous fish. First, oviparous fish invest more in egg number than egg size (Sargent et al., 1987), resulting in higher larval mortality compared to viviparous fish (Roff 1992; Smith and Fretwell, 1974). This theory is also predicted to apply species with IGA because the females spawn egg mass into seawater and eggs are exposed to various extraneous factors.

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Second, females of IGA species do not need to care for fertilized eggs and larvae in the ovary. This characteristic is also similar to oviparous fish with spawning eggs in seawater, and reproductive costs in the ovary are predicted to be lower than those in viviparous fishes (Abe and Munehara, 2009), although the total reproductive cost, including parental care, is unknown. Third, females can lay eggs at the appropriate timing of spawning and do not need to synchronize their spawning timing with males, especially for females that produce multiple clutches in a reproductive season (Abe and Munehara 2009). In terms of asynchrony between copulation and spawning, this character is similar to asynchrony between copulation and birth in viviparous fish. Evolution of IGA may allow females to have decoupled nest site selection from mating, giving for deciding timing and spatial site selection for egg laying, without the cost of rearing larvae and juveniles in the ovary. Although it is unclear what factors separate the evolutionary pathways from external fertilization to IGA or true internal fertilization in fish, accumulating evidence of IGA in different clades of fish could contribute to our understanding of the underlying mechanisms and potential implications of this reproductive strategy.

Aspects of sperm morphology, including head length, ratio, and motility, were similar between Rosy and Fluffy Sculpins; both species had sperm with an elongated head and were motile in the isotonic solution but not in seawater. These characteristics contrast with those in external fertilizing species, which have round-head sperm and sperm that are motile in their fertilization environment such as seawater (Koya et al., 1993, 2011; Petersen et al., 2005; Abe and Munehara, 2007; Ito and Awata, 2019; Ito et al., 2022) and freshwater (Ito et al., 2021). Sperm with an elongated and slender head characterized in IGA species is thought to be advantageous for swimming in a viscous environment such as ovarian fluid (Javonillo et al., 2009). Interestingly, Humphries et al (2008) proposed that sperm with a longer head (ellipsoidal

shape) exhibit increased the drag force, resulting in decreased sperm velocity. Revealing the detailed structure, not just the simple head-to-flagellum ratio, is important for clarifying the physical function of sperm; the thickness might also be associated with sperm swimming speed and adaptation to a viscous environment.

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Mating and spawning periods in Fluffy Sculpins were not synchronized, as shown by divergence in peak GSI between males (September to December) and females (December to March). These results suggest that females store sperm for over three months before laying their first clutch of the season. In the absence of verified monogamy, it is reasonable to assume that females mate with multiple males resulting in clutch polyandry as the null model. Morris (1956) noted that, in captivity, copulation of the Fluffy Sculpin is frequently observed. Although polyandry in Fluffy Sculpin is remains untested, females store sperm (from one or more males), and it is currently unknown when exactly fertilization takes place. Every female examined had oocytes at multiple stages of development at any one time (Grossman and DeVlaming, 1984), indicating that they lay multiple egg clutches per season. Therefore, it is not surprising that the mating season is protracted in both species. Asynchrony in peak GSI is observed in several sculpin species with IGA (Shinomiya, 1985; Abe and Munehara, 2005, 2007). Fluffy and Rosy Sculpins are sister taxa (Ramon and Knope, 2008; Buser and López, 2015; Buser et al., 2017) and overlap in geographic range and habitat, occupying the same pools in the intertidal (this study). Although our sample size for Rosy Sculpin was too small to reliably infer mating season, the possibility of divergence in mating season suggests a mechanism for reproductive isolation and divergence in sympatry.

In marine sculpins (Psychrolutidae), copulatory IGA species are classified into three egg care patterns; paternal care, maternal care, and no care with egg masses deposited in

invertebrates (Abe and Munehara, 2009; Awater et al., 2019; 2022). Such egg care patterns may
be related to synchronization of mating season and egg-laying season (Munehara 2011). For
example, the timing of copulation and spawning are close together in IGA species with paternal
care (Alcichthys alcicornis, Munehara, 1988; Artedius harringtoni, Ragland and Fischer, 1987).
Indeed, Al. alcicornis are likely to exhibit synchrony in peak GSI between the sexes (Koya et al.,
1994; Munehara and Murahana, 2010). Alternatively, IGA species with maternal care
(Radulinopsis taranetzi: Abe and Munehara, 2005) and those with no care (five species of
Pseudoblennius, two species of Furcina, and one species of Vellitor: Koya et al., 2015; Awata et
al., 2019; Orthonopias triacis: Awata et al., 2022) exhibit delayed timing of spawning from
timing of mating. Males of R. taranetzi copulate with females that do not yet have mature
oocytes about three months before the egg-laying season (Abe and Munehara, 2005, 2007).
Vellitor centropomus females also copulate while still immature (Koya et al., 2015), suggesting
that sperm can be stored for several months. Viable sperm is retained for two weeks in O. triacis,
demonstrating sperm storage capacity (Bolin, 1941). Although egg care patterns in the Fluffy
and Rosy Sculpins are unknown in the field (Awata et al., 2022), the asynchrony in peak GSI
between the sexes implies that these species do not exhibit paternal care behaviors. In fact, none
of the male collected in this study had protected eggs. Female egg-care is known only in species
that inhabit sandy and gravel areas (Abe and Munehara, 2005, 2007). Many parts of the intertidal
area have pebble and are not unlike gravel. Therefore, we cannot rule out the possibility of
maternal care, but as with the males, none of the females we collected were protecting their eggs.
Asynchrony in mating season and egg-laying season in marine sculpin is also suggested
to be related to sperm competition (Munehara 2011), which is the competitive process for
fertilization between sperm from different males (Parker, 1970). Males can have a capacity of

copulating earlier than when eggs are mature, thereby reducing the chance of fertilization by other males. Indeed, females of *R. taranetzi* mate with multiple partners, resulting in intense sperm competition in the ovary (Abe and Munehara, 2005, 2007). Although little information is available on parental egg care and variation in GSI for both males and females in marine sculpins, the asynchrony of the GSI may be the result of male-male competition because males that mate earlier may be able to fertilize more eggs or the first mature oocyte of multiple clutch (Abe and Munehara 2009; Munehara et al., 1994; Munehara 2011).

Asynchrony in peak GSI is also observed in internally inseminating catfishes (Freitas et al., 2011) and characid fishes (Azevedo et al., 2000), internally fertilizing surfperches (Izumiyama et al., 2020b) and rockfishes (Yokogawa and Iguchi, 1992a, 1992b). While GSI is protracted and there is some overlap between the sexes in IGA species including Fluffy and Rosy Sculpins, GSI between the sexes are less overlapped in true internal fertilizers (i. e., viviparous fish). The protracted seasonality and disparity in GSI peaks between the sexes may be driven by the number of clutches laid per season. Viviparous fish with seasonal iteroparity exhibit single brood per year. Surfperch females copulate with multiple males, but fertilization and early embryo development are initiated after mating season ends (Izumiyama et al., 2020a, 2020b), thus, asynchrony is obvious. Different from the surfperches, female Fluffy and Rosy Sculpins exhibit multiple size classes of oocytes within the ovary between October and May (Grossman and DeVlaming, 1984), indicating multiple clutches are laid per season. Therefore, since males of the Fluffy and Rosy Sculpins have multiple chances to fertilize eggs due to the multiple spawning by an individual female, the GSI peaks of both sexes would be prolonged and have slight overlap each other.

In summary, we demonstrate seasonal variation in GSI between males and females of Fluffy and Rosy Sculpins. We also demonstrated IGA in Rosy Sculpin directly and inferred IGA in Fluffy Sculpin indirectly based on sperm morphology, asynchrony of GSI between the sexes, and lack of embryonic development in the ovary. This reproductive strategy of IGA together with protracted and asynchronous mating season could be associated with male-male competition, sperm storage, multiple spawning, and optimal nest site selection by females. Furthermore, we propose that the slight difference in mating season (pre-mating isolation) and sperm characteristics (post-mating isolation) may prevent hybridization between the two species, while they are sympatric and share the similarities in morphology and reproductive mode. Our study supports the generality of IGA across marine sculpins and demonstrates diagnostic aspects patterns for diagnosing the IGA reproductive strategy.

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- Fig. captions
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- 657 immersed in seawater (Fertilization). (B) Blastula stage (24 hours post fertilization, hpf). (C)
- Early gastrula stage (48 hpf). (D) Phylotypic stage (6 days post fertilization, dpf). Optic and otic
- vesicles were visible. (E) Embryonic stage (11 dpf). Eye pigmentation and otoliths were clearly
- visible. (F) Embryonic stage just before hatching (21 dpf). Lateral line pigmentation was visible.
- Water temperature was maintained at 13–15 °C.
- Fig. 2. Sperm of (A) the Fluffy Sculpin (Oligocottus snyderi) and (B) the Rosy Sculpin (O.
- 663 rubellio) observed under a differential interference microscope. (C) The fine structure of sperm
- head in the Fluffy Sculpin observed under a scanning transmission electron microscope. mi:
- midpiece, fl: flagellum. The left and right white arrows indicate the boundary between head and
- anterior end of the midpiece and between anterior and posterior ends of the midpiece,
- respectively.
- 668 Fig. 3. Seasonal changes of gonadosomatic index (GSI) in males and females of the Fluffy
- 669 Sculpin (Oligocottus snyderi) and the Rosy Sculpin (O. rubellio) and monthly average water
- temperature at study site in Half Moon Bay, San Mateo County, CA, USA. (A) Male (n=90) and
- 671 (B) female (n=150) Fluffy Sculpin. (C) Male (n=36) and (D) female (n=62) Rosy Sculpin.
- Each dot represents an individual. In boxplot, box show median, interquartile range, and
- whiskers show the lowest/highest value within 1.5 times the interquartile range, with black dots
- of outlier. Boxplots were illustrated only if the number of individuals collected per month was

- 675 four or more. Solid lines indicate the loess regressions, and shadings indicate 95% confidence
- intervals. The number below the month denotes the number of individuals.

#### Sup. Fig. captions

Fig. S1. Comparison of anal fin modification between Fluffy Sculpin (*Oligocottus snyderi*) and Rosy Sculpin (*O. rubellio*). (A) Male Fluffy Sculpin, with fin membrane thickening concentrated in first anal ray to the tip. (B) Male Rosy Sculpin, with fin membrane thickening concentrated in first and second (partial) anal ray to the tip. (C) Female Fluffy Sculpin, with no elongated anal fin. (D) Female Rosy Sculpin, with no elongated anal fin.

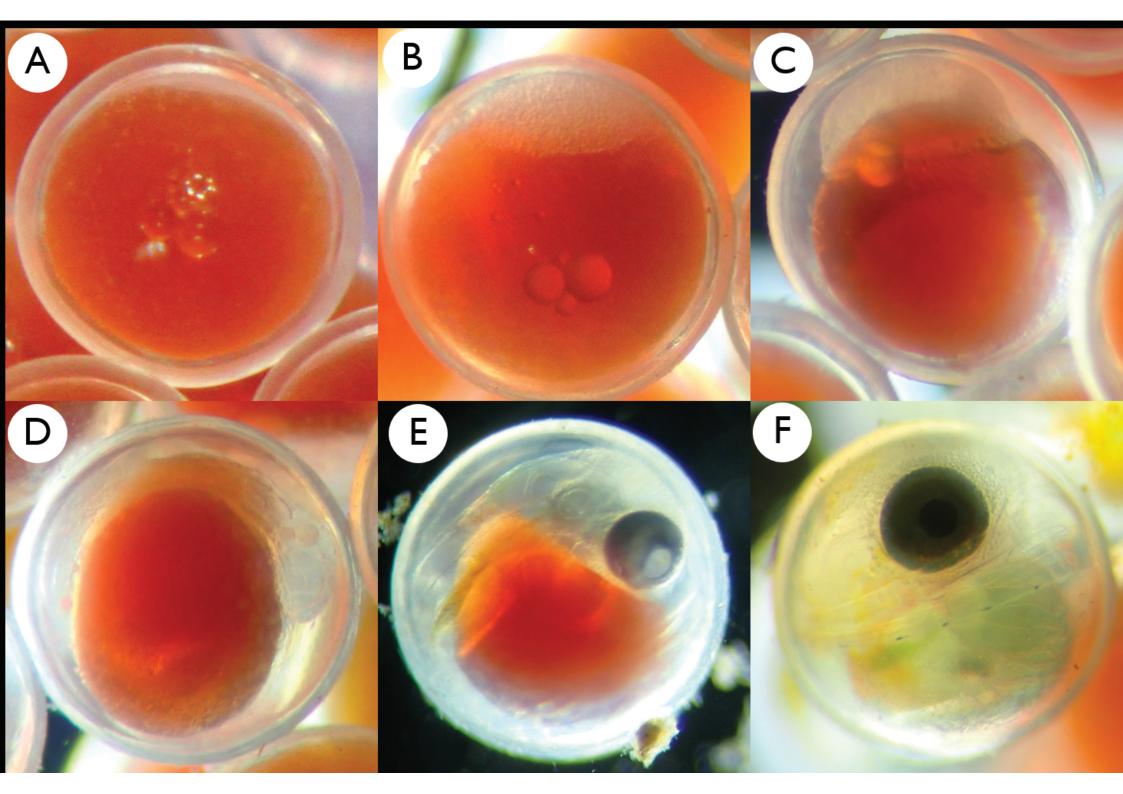
Fig. S2. Confirmation of species identity using a gene tree constructed from 561 bp *CO1* sequences of ten species including marine sculpins (Psychrolutidae). Gene tree topologies were constructed using MEGA version X, with the maximum likelihood method with GTR+G+I model and 1,000 bootstrap replicates. The branch labels indicate bootstrap values. The samples collected in the present study are shown using the code Ala, Can, Oru, and Osn for fish identified as Smoothhead Sculpin (*Artedius lateralis*), Wooly Sculpin (*Clinocottus analis*), Fluffy Sculpin (*Oligocottus snyderi*), and Rosy Sculpin (*O. rubellio*), respectively. Scientific names with accession numbers were downloaded from NCBI, and *Scorpaenichthys marmoratus* (EU403072) was used as the outgroup in this tree. The \* denotes the species that were misidentified in the field, while the \*\* represents the samples that had been misidentified and registered in GenBank.

Fig. S3. Confirmation of species identity using a gene tree constructed from 1051 bp *Cytb* sequences of ten species including marine sculpins (Psychrolutidae). Gene tree topologies were constructed using MEGA version X, with the maximum likelihood method with GTR+G+I model and 1,000 bootstrap replicates. The branch labels indicate bootstrap values. The samples

collected in the present study are shown using the code Osn and Oru for fish identified as Fluffy Sculpin (*Oligocottus snyderi*) and Rosy Sculpin (*O. rubellio*), respectively. Scientific names with accession numbers were downloaded from NCBI, and *Scorpaenichthys marmoratus* was used as the outgroup in this tree.

Table 1. Primers used in the analysis of the Cottidae mitochondrial genome.

Primer	mtDNA Region	Sequence 5' -> 3'	Ref.
H15915/L14724	Cytb	H15915- 5'-CAACGATCTCCGGTTT-3'	Schmidt and
		L14724- 5'-GTGACTTGAAAAACCA-3'	Gold (1993)
FISH_F1/FISH_R1	CO1	FISH_F1 TCAACCAACCACAAAGACATTGGCAC	Ward et al.
		FISH_R1 TAGACTTCTGGGTGGCCAAAGAATCA	(2005)



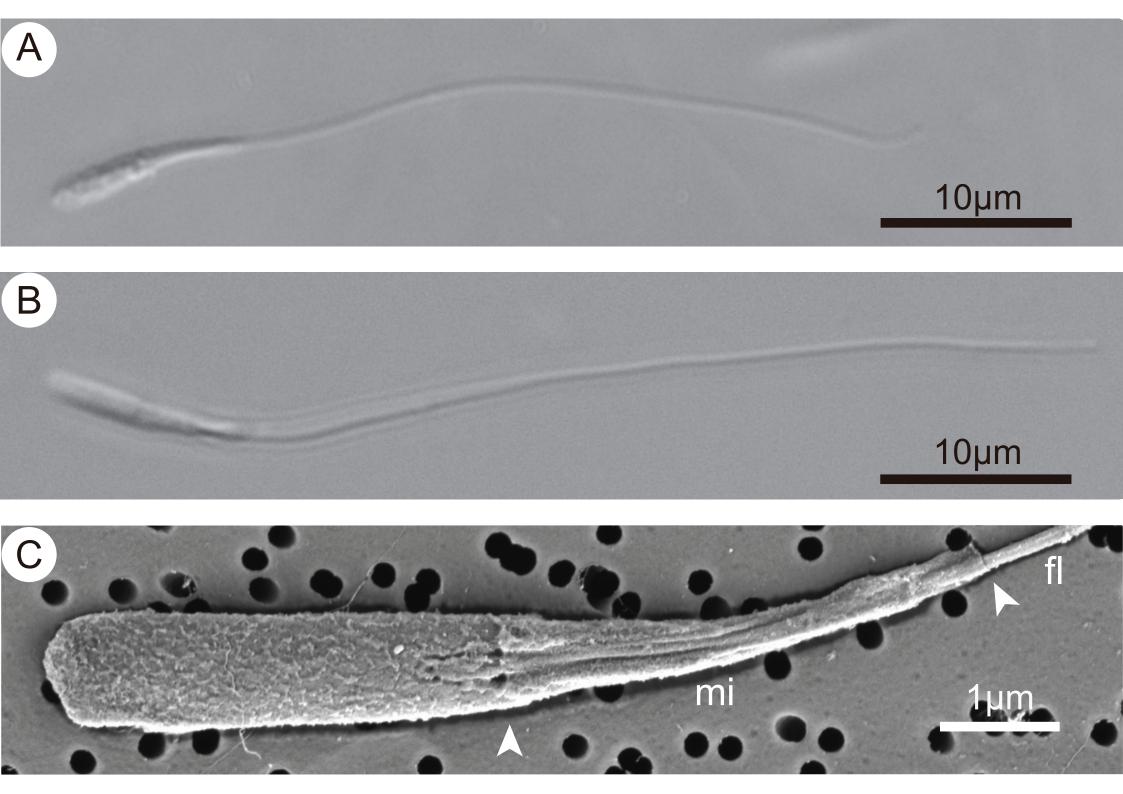
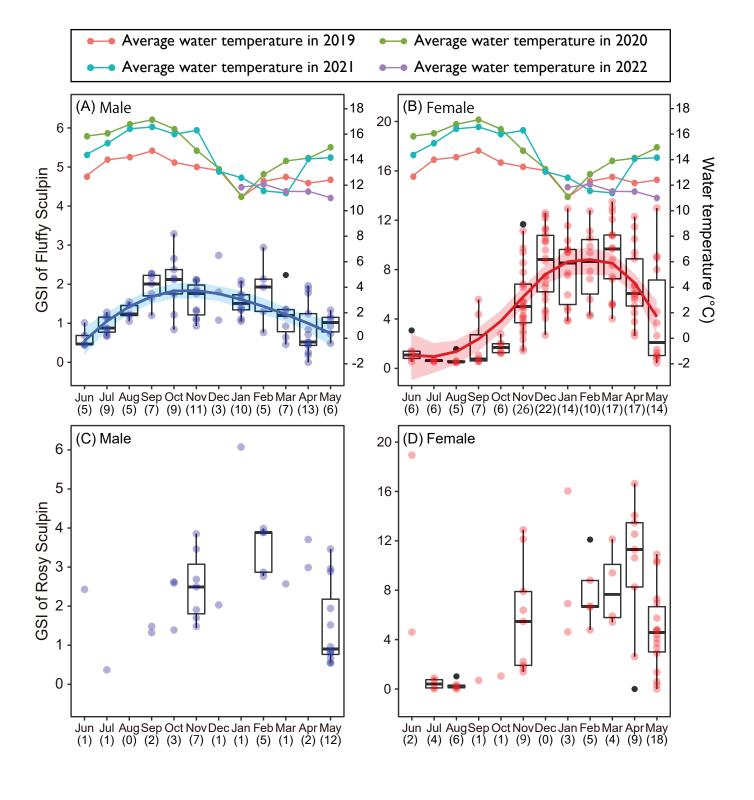
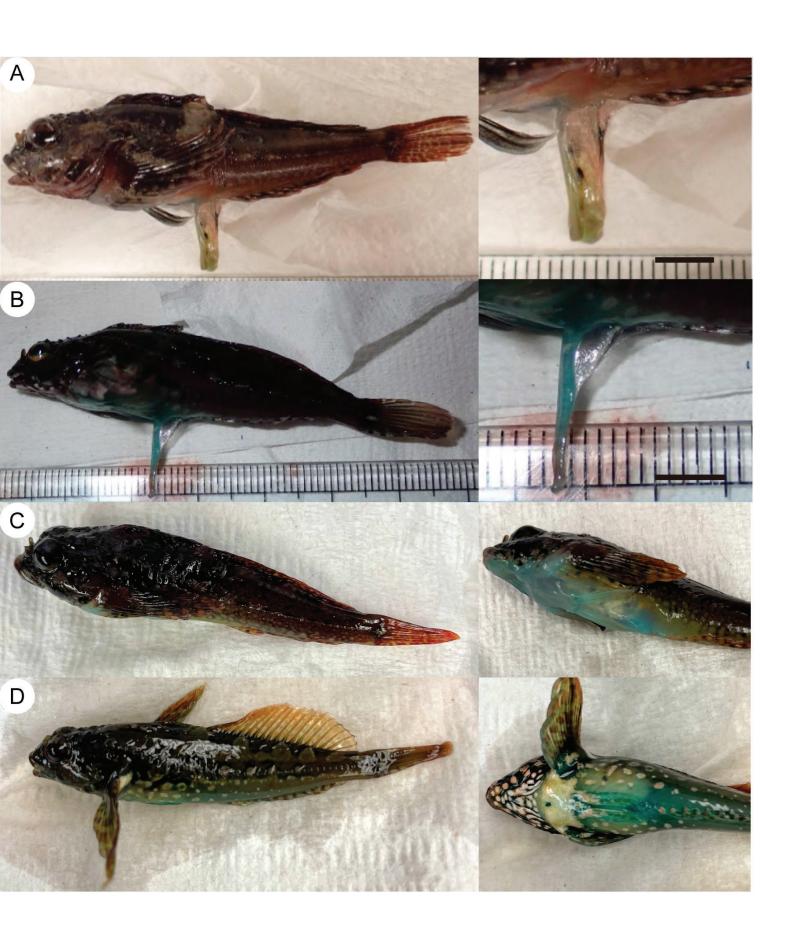


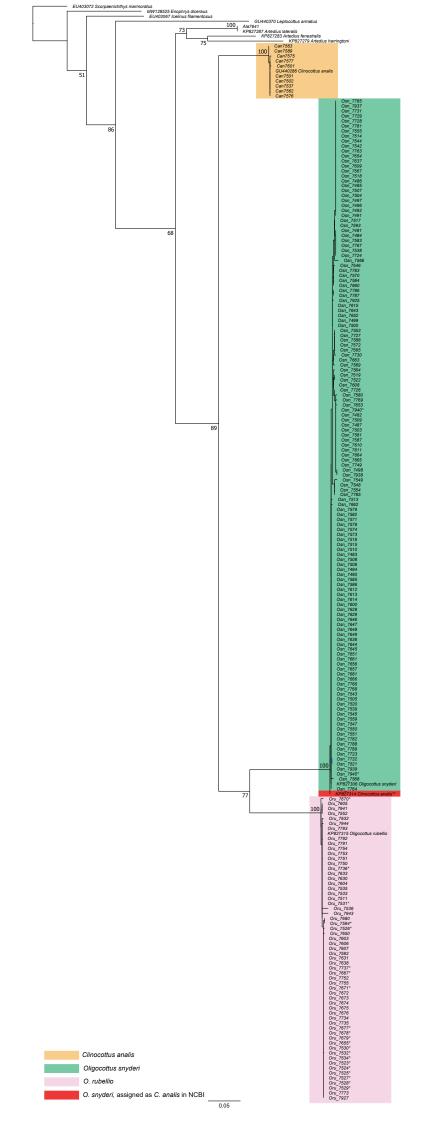
Table 2. Sperm morphological characteristics and swimming speed in Fluffy Sculpin (*Oligocottus snyderi*) and Rosy Sculpin (*O. rubellio*).

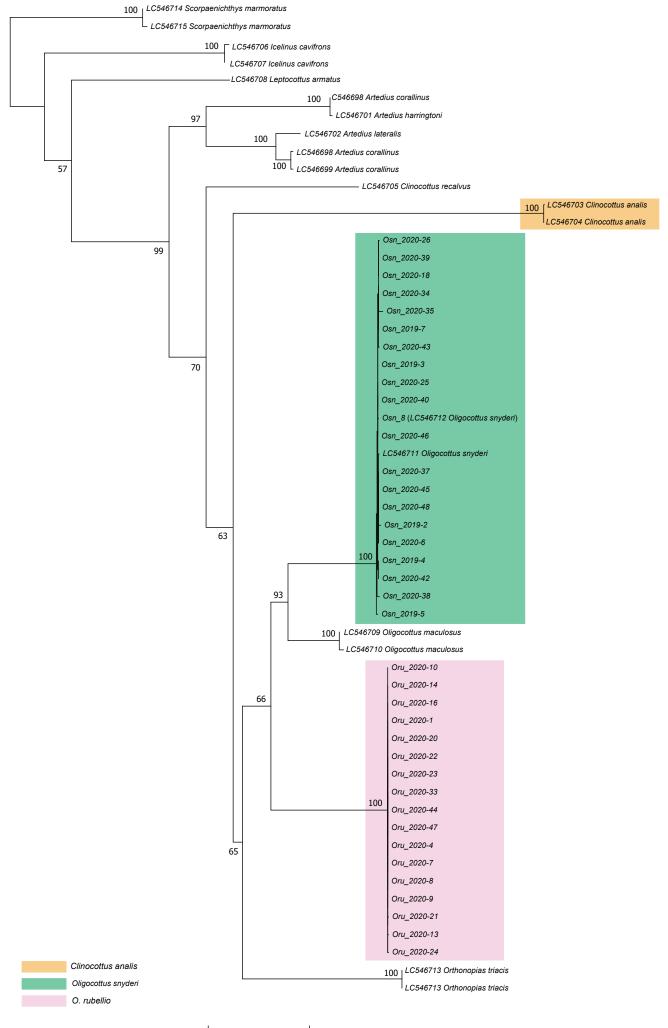
Sperm characteristics	O. snydri	O. rubellio	Statistics	
			$\chi^2$	P
Total sperm length (μm)	44.36 ± 1.29 (9, 70)	52.99 ± 1.19 (3, 23)	30.00	< 0.0001
Head length (µm)	$5.2 \pm 0.32 \ (8, 53)$	$5.6 \pm 0.3 \ (3, 23)$	4.63	0.031
Head width (µm)	$1.36 \pm 0.17 (7, 51)$	$1.81 \pm 0.36  (3, 23)$	6.71	0.009
Midpiece length (μm)	$4.42 \pm 0.49 \ (8, 52)$	$4.55 \pm 0.77  (3, 23)$	0.49	0.49
Midpiece width (μm)	$0.99 \pm 0.14  (7,  50)$	$1.08 \pm 0.06  (3, 23)$	2.55	0.11
Flagella length (µm)	$39.57 \pm 1.67  (8, 52)$	$47.39 \pm 1.47  (3,23)$	21.34	< 0.0001
Head length / head width	$3.91 \pm 0.67 (7, 51)$	$3.35 \pm 0.37  (3,23)$	1.93	0.17
Midpiece length / midpiece width	$4.76 \pm 0.54  (7,  50)$	$4.25 \pm 0.96  (3,23)$	0.79	0.38
Head length / total sperm length	$0.12 \pm 0.01 \ (8, 52)$	$0.11 \pm 0.01 (3, 23)$	4.06	0.044
Head length / flagella length	$0.13 \pm 0.01 \ (8, 52)$	$0.12 \pm 0.01  (3, 23)$	3.79	0.052
Sperm swimming speed (µm/s)	$75.61 \pm 19.41 \ (6, 118)$	$91.81 \pm 2.23 \ (2, 25)$	1.48	0.22

All values represent mean  $\pm$  SD. Brackets show the number of individuals (left) and sperm cells (right) used for the analyses. Linear mixed models were performed, setting individual ID as a random effect.









No	MeasurementDate	Month	Month_Order	Species	SpeciesIndID	Sex	TL :	SL I	вм о	GutMass	GM I	BM-GutMass	GSI Sequence	GenBankAccessNo
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3	2018.03.02	Mar		10 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_8	F	59.88	49.86	2.600	0.200	0.200	2.400	8.333 Cytb	LC546712
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5	2019.10.27	Oct		5 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_T4	M	NA	42.00	2.330	0.184	0.018	2.150	0.839 NA	
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9	2019.11.25	Nov		6 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_2019-4	F	79.50	64.50	7.913	0.990	0.771	6.923	11.137 Cytb	
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104 2021.01.12	Jan	8 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7570	F	60.00	48.00	3.860	0.280	0.370	3.580	10.335 COI
105 2021.01.12	Jan	8 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7571	F	65.00	52.00	4.790	0.310	0.210	4.480	4.688 COI
106 2021.01.12	Jan	8 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7572	F	57.00	46.00	3.040	0.250	0.210	2.790	7.527 COI
107 2021.01.12	Jan	8 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7573	F	59.00	50.00	3.570	0.280	0.380	3.290	11.550 COI
108 2021.01.12	Jan	8 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7574	F	68.00	55.00	5.960	0.400	0.720	5.560	12.950 COI
109 2021.01.29	Jan	8 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7578	F	59.00	47.00	3.020	0.170	0.140	2.850	4.912 COI
110 2021.01.29	Jan	8 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7579	F	68.00	54.00	5.430	0.340	0.490	5.090	9.627 COI
111 2021.01.29	Jan	8 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7580	F	61.00	49.00	3.620	0.210	0.320	3.410	9.384 COI
112 2021.01.29	Jan	8 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7581	F	61.00	50.00	3.260	0.250	0.290	3.010	9.635 COI
113 2021.01.29	Jan	8 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7582	F	71.00	58.00	5.650	0.550	0.480	5.100	9.412 COI
114 2021.01.29	Jan	8 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7583	F	63.00	52.00	3.490	0.300	0.190	3.190	5.956 COI
115 2021.01.29	Jan	8 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7584	M	58.00	48.00	3.050	0.170	0.050	2.880	1.736 COI
116 2021.01.29	Jan	8 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7585	M	62.00	50.00	3.820	0.170	0.050	3.650	1.370 COI
117 2021.01.29	Jan	8 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7586	M	65.00	52.00	4.030	0.220	0.040	3.810	1.050 COI
118 2021.01.29	Jan	8 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7587	M	68.00	54.00	4.800	0.450	0.070	4.350	1.609 COI
119 2021.01.29	Jan	8 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7588	M	58.00	47.00	3.020	0.150	0.060	2.870	2.091 COI
120 2021.02.06	Feb	9 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7593	F	53.00	42.00	2.110	0.130	0.220	1.980	11.111 COI
121 2021.02.06	Feb	9 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7595	F	55.00	45.00	2.440	0.230	0.160	2.210	7.240 NA
122 2021.02.06	Feb	9 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7596	F	57.00	47.00	2.880	0.210	0.250	2.670	9.363 NA
123 2021.02.06	Feb	9 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7597	F	78.00	63.00	7.560	0.810	0.860	6.750	12.741 NA
124 2021.02.06	Feb	9 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7598	M	59.00	49.00	2.460	0.150	0.030	2.310	1.299 NA
125 2021.02.06	Feb	9 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7599	M	63.00	52.00	3.440	0.300	0.060	3.140	1.911 NA
126 2021.02.06	Feb	9 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7600	M	58.00	47.00	2.510	0.140	0.050	2.370	2.110 COI
127 2021.03.07	Mar	10 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7608	F	54.00	43.00	2.880	0.350	0.330	2.530	13.043 COI
128 2021.03.07	Mar	10 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7609	F	61.00	48.00	3.190	0.200	0.380	2.990	12.709 COI
129 2021.03.07	Mar	10 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7610	F	59.00	47.00	3.510	0.270	0.350	3.240	10.802 COI
130 2021.03.07	Mar	10 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7611	F	67.00	56.00	4.200	0.360	0.200	3.840	5.208 COI
131 2021.03.07	Mar	10 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7612	F	66.00	55.00	4.680	0.410	0.310	4.270	7.260 COI
132 2021.03.07	Mar	10 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7613	F	60.00	47.00	2.980	0.190	0.270	2.790	9.677 COI
133 2021.03.07	Mar	10 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7614	F	54.00	43.00	2.540	0.130	0.260	2.410	10.788 COI
134 2021.03.07	Mar	10 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7615	F	62.00	51.00	2.980	0.240	0.140	2.740	5.109 COI
135 2021.03.07	Mar	10 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7616	F	54.00	44.00	2.300	0.160	0.230	2.140	10.748 NA
136 2021.03.07	Mar	10 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7617	M	46.00	36.00	1.180	0.100	0.010	1.080	0.926 NA
137 2021.03.07	Mar	10 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7618	M	54.00	44.00	1.900	0.110	0.040	1.790	2.235 NA

138 2021.03.07	Mar	10 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7619	M	50.00	40.00	1.660	0.100	0.010	1.560	0.641 NA
139 2021.03.07	Mar	10 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7620	M	73.00	59.00	5.560	0.400	0.070	5.160	1.357 NA
140 2021.03.07	Mar	10 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7621	M	72.00	58.00	4.730	0.350	0.020	4.380	0.457 NA
141 2021.03.26	Mar	10 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7625	F	65.00	51.00	3.810	0.250	0.430	3.560	12.079 NA
142 2021.03.26	Mar	10 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7626	F	52.00	47.00	2.540	0.250	0.120	2.290	5.240 NA
143 2021.03.26	Mar	10 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7627	F	54.00	45.00	2.290	0.130	0.160	2.160	7.407 NA
144 2021.03.26	Mar	10 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7628	F	53.00	43.00	1.910	0.160	0.070	1.750	4.000 COI
145 2021.03.26	Mar	10 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7629	F	61.00	50.00	3.270	0.320	0.260	2.950	8.814 COI
146 2021.03.26	Mar	10 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7636	M	54.00	43.00	1.790	0.120	0.020	1.670	1.198 COI
147 2021.03.26	Mar	10 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7637	M	57.00	46.00	2.420	0.190	0.030	2.230	1.345 COI
148 2021.04.05	Apr	11 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7643	F	63.00	51.00	3.060	0.270	0.320	2.790	11.470 COI
149 2021.04.05	Apr	11 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7644	F	66.00	53.00	3.270	0.300	0.150	2.970	5.051 COI
150 2021.04.05	Apr	11 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7645	F	61.00	50.00	3.280	0.290	0.280	2.990	9.365 COI
151 2021.04.05	Apr	11 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7646	F	59.00	51.00	2.680	0.200	0.260	2.480	10.484 COI
152 2021.04.05	Apr	11 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7647	F	66.00	54.00	3.370	0.290	0.190	3.080	6.169 COI
153 2021.04.05	Apr	11 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7648	F	72.00	60.00	4.330	0.290	0.240	4.040	5.941 COI
154 2021.04.05	Apr	11 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7649	M	51.00	42.00	1.490	0.120	0.000	1.370	0.000 COI
155 2021.04.23	Apr	11 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7651	F	62.00	53.00	3.520	0.420	0.090	3.100	2.903 COI
156 2021.04.23	Apr	11 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7652	F	70.00	56.00	4.310	0.270	0.270	4.040	6.683 COI
157 2021.04.23	Apr	11 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7653	F	67.00	55.00	3.980	0.290	0.140	3.690	3.794 COI
158 2021.04.23	Apr	11 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7654	F	60.00	47.00	3.640	0.330	0.190	3.310	5.740 COI
159 2021.04.23	Apr	11 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7656	F	65.00	53.00	3.330	0.290	0.080	3.040	2.632 COI
160 2021.04.23	Apr	11 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7657	M	69.00	58.00	4.220	0.330	0.020	3.890	0.514 COI
161 2021.04.23	Apr	11 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7658	M	69.00	55.00	4.190	0.370	0.007	3.820	0.183 NA
162 2021.04.23	Apr	11 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7659	M	70.00	56.00	4.040	0.330	0.019	3.710	0.512 NA
163 2021.04.23	Apr	11 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7660	M	60.00	48.00	3.170	0.220	0.008	2.950	0.254 COI
164 2021.04.23	Apr	11 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7661	M	63.00	51.00	3.180	0.180	0.013	3.000	0.433 COI
165 2021.05.03	May	12 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7662	F	72.00	59.00	4.850	0.540	0.560	4.310	12.993 COI
166 2021.05.03	May	12 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7663	F	73.00	61.00	5.640	0.400	0.420	5.240	8.015 COI
167 2021.05.03	May	12 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7664	F	68.00	57.00	3.710	0.250	0.310	3.460	8.960 COI
168 2021.05.03	May	12 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7665	M	68.00	58.00	4.020	0.320	0.018	3.700	0.486 COI
169 2021.05.03	May	12 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7666	F	60.00	59.00	2.640	0.270	0.025	2.370	1.055 COI
170 2021.05.21	May	12 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7681	F	53.00	42.00	2.010	0.180	0.019	1.830	1.038 COI
171 2021.05.21	May	12 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7682	F	56.00	44.00	2.460	0.190	0.010	2.270	0.441 NA
172 2021.05.21	May	12 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7683	F	54.00	44.00	2.100	0.170	0.015	1.930	0.777 NA
173 2021.07.15	Jul	2 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7723	F	80.00	62.00	5.130	0.410	0.032	4.720	0.678 COI
174 2021.07.15	Jul	2 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7724	F	70.00	58.00	4.650	0.480	0.022	4.170	0.528 COI
175 2021.07.15	Jul	2 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7726	F	79.00	65.00	6.860	0.590	0.046	6.270	0.734 COI
176 2021.07.15	Jul	2 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7727	F	74.00	63.00	4.740	0.390	0.028	4.350	0.644 COI
177 2021.07.15	Jul	2 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7728	M	84.00	71.00	7.830	0.650	0.083	7.180	1.156 COI
178 2021.07.15	Jul	2 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7729	М	71.00	65.00	6.930	0.390	0.045	6.540	0.688 COI
179 2021.07.15	Jul	2 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7730	М	82.00	67.00	7.680	0.510	0.092	7.170	1.283 COI
180 2021.07.15	Jul	2 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7731	М	67.00	55.00	3.910	0.290	0.041	3.620	1.133 COI
181 2021.07.15	Jul	2 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7732	М	71.00	64.00	6.900	0.820	0.047	6.080	0.773 COI
182 2021.08.12	Aug	3 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7739	F	78.00	63.00	7.170	0.740	0.033	6.430	0.513 NA
183 2021.08.12	Aug	3 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7740	F	76.00	62.00	6.720	0.500	0.097	6.220	1.559 NA

184 2021.08.12	Aug	3 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7741	F	78.00	64.00	7.520	0.570	0.042	6.950	0.604 NA
185 2021.08.12	Aug	3 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7742	F	71.00	60.00	4.900	0.390	0.021	4.510	0.466 NA
186 2021.08.12	Aug	3 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7743	F	66.00	54.00	3.920	0.360	0.018	3.560	0.506 NA
187 2021.08.12	Aug	3 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7745	M	80.00	66.00	8.230	0.550	0.092	7.680	1.198 NA
188 2021.08.12	Aug	3 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7746	M	81.00	66.00	8.880	0.350	0.132	8.530	1.547 NA
189 2021.08.12	Aug	3 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7747	M	69.00	56.00	5.150	0.300	0.051	4.850	1.052 NA
190 2021.08.12	Aug	3 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7748	M	71.00	58.00	5.300	0.280	0.073	5.020	1.454 NA
191 2021.08.12	Aug	3 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7749	M	82.00	69.00	8.130	0.440	0.095	7.690	1.235 COI
192 2021.09.22	Sep	4 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7763	F	64.00	51.00	3.590	0.350	0.025	3.240	0.772 COI
193 2021.09.22	Sep	4 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7764	F	58.00	48.00	2.730	0.360	0.013	2.370	0.549 COI
194 2021.09.22	Sep	4 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7765	F	58.00	48.00	2.900	0.270	0.015	2.630	0.570 COI
195 2021.09.22	Sep	4 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7766	F	64.00	52.00	3.660	0.340	0.021	3.320	0.633 COI
196 2021.09.22	Sep	4 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7767	F	73.00	59.00	5.820	0.580	0.056	5.240	1.069 COI
197 2021.09.22	Sep	4 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7768	M	57.00	46.00	2.780	0.190	0.031	2.590	1.197 COI
198 2021.09.22	Sep	4 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7769	M	72.00	57.00	5.830	0.500	0.107	5.330	2.008 COI
199 2021.09.22	Sep	4 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7770	M	78.00	64.00	7.640	0.710	0.114	6.930	1.645 NA
200 2021.09.22	Sep	4 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7771	M	75.00	61.00	5.840	0.510	0.121	5.330	2.270 NA
201 2021.09.22	Sep	4 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7772	M	84.00	69.00	8.560	0.540	0.182	8.020	2.269 NA
202 2021.10.21	Oct	5 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7781	F	79.00	65.00	6.490	0.410	0.074	6.080	1.217 COI
203 2021.10.21	Oct	5 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7782	F	74.00	61.00	5.970	0.580	0.074	5.390	1.373 COI
204 2021.10.21	Oct	5 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7783	F	64.00	52.00	4.070	0.440	0.072	3.630	1.983 COI
205 2021.10.21	Oct	5 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7784	F	58.00	47.00	2.570	0.320	0.045	2.250	2.000 NA
206 2021.10.21	Oct	5 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7785	F	61.00	51.00	2.900	0.240	0.033	2.660	1.241 COI
207 2021.10.21	Oct	5 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7786	M	78.00	63.00	7.740	0.580	0.170	7.160	2.374 COI
208 2021.10.21	Oct	5 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7787	M	63.00	51.00	3.290	0.320	0.052	2.970	1.751 COI
209 2021.10.21	Oct	5 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7788	M	60.00	49.00	3.090	0.260	0.061	2.830	2.155 COI
210 2021.10.21	Oct	5 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7789	M	59.00	48.00	2.780	0.230	0.054	2.550	2.118 COI
211 2022.01.28	Jan	8 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7925	F	62.00	54.00	3.595	0.277	0.130	3.318	3.918 COI
212 2022.01.28	Jan	8 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7926	F	64.00	52.00	3.238	0.321	0.112	2.917	3.840 NA
213 2022.02.25	Feb	9 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7936	F	60.00	52.00	3.110	0.300	0.120	2.810	4.270 NA
214 2022.02.25	Feb	9 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7937	F	64.00	52.00	3.190	0.270	0.230	2.920	7.877 COI
215 2022.02.25	Feb	9 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7938	F	69.00	57.00	4.240	0.260	0.420	3.980	10.553 COI
216 2022.02.25	Feb	9 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7939	F	55.00	44.00	1.890	0.170	0.170	1.720	9.884 COI
217 2022.02.25	Feb	9 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7940	F	71.00	58.00	5.170	0.500	0.260	4.670	5.567 COI
218 2022.02.25	Feb	9 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7945	M	66.00	55.00	4.810	0.340	0.130	4.470	2.908 COI
219 2022.02.25	Feb	9 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7946	F	59.00	48.00	2.460	0.150	0.100	2.310	4.329 NA
220 2022.04.07	Apr	11 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7951	F	70.00	56.00	3.900	0.350	0.160	3.550	4.507 NA
221 2022.04.07	Apr	11 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7952	F	64.00	53.00	3.280	0.300	0.200	2.980	6.711 NA
222 2022.04.07	Apr	11 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7953	F	59.00	48.00	2.640	0.280	0.290	2.360	12.288 NA
223 2022.04.07	Apr	11 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7954	F	61.00	51.00	2.220	0.250	0.110	1.970	5.584 NA
224 2022.04.07	Apr	11 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7955	F	61.00	50.00	2.700	0.220	0.220	2.480	8.871 NA
225 2022.04.07	Apr	11 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7956	M	72.00	58.00	4.300	0.360	0.028	3.940	0.711 NA
226 2022.04.07	Apr	11 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7957	M	66.00	55.00	3.200	0.240	0.058	2.960	1.959 NA
227 2022.04.07	Apr	11 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7958	M	68.00	56.00	3.260	0.290	0.037	2.970	1.246 NA
228 2022.04.07	Apr	11 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7959	M	66.00	55.00	2.970	0.230	0.023	2.740	0.839 NA
229 2022.04.07	Apr	11 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7960	M	56.00	46.00	1.830	0.180	0.031	1.650	1.879 NA

230 2022.05.23	May	12 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7983	M	84.00	71.00	7.477	0.355	0.083	7.122	1.165 NA	
231 2022.05.23	May	12 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7984	M	74.00	61.00	5.127	0.520	0.051	4.607	1.107 NA	
232 2022.05.23	May	12 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7985	M	85.00	69.00	6.433	0.375	0.081	6.058	1.337 NA	
233 2022.05.23	May	12 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7986	M	67.00	54.00	3.491	0.343	0.023	3.148	0.731 NA	
234 2022.05.23	May	12 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7987	M	70.00	59.00	4.071	0.401	0.034	3.670	0.926 NA	
235 2022.05.23	May	12 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7988	F	66.00	56.00	3.640	0.338	0.087	3.302	2.635 NA	
236 2022.05.23	May	12 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7989	F	62.00	51.00	2.714	0.261	0.031	2.453	1.264 NA	
237 2022.05.23	May	12 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7990	F	65.00	53.00	3.409	0.274	0.048	3.135	1.531 NA	
238 2022.05.23	May	12 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7991	F	64.00	54.00	3.060	0.283	0.023	2.777	0.828 NA	
239 2022.05.23	May	12 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7992	F	66.00	55.00	4.059	0.335	0.137	3.724	3.679 NA	
240 2022.05.23	May	12 Oligocottus snyderi	Osn_7993	F	65.00	55.00	3.287	0.298	0.137	2.989	4.583 NA	
241 2019.10.27	Oct	5 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_T1	M	NA	48.00	5.820	0.380	0.106	5.440	1.949 NA	
242 2020.01.10	Jan	8 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_2020-1	F	72.00	59.50	6.573	0.503	0.420	6.070	6.919 Cytb	
243 2020.01.10	Jan	8 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_2020-2	M	73.00	60.50	6.139	0.418	0.348	5.721	6.083 NA	
244 2020.04.04	Apr	11 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_2020-4	F	71.00	58.50	5.601	0.530	0.636	5.071	12.542 Cytb	
245 2020.04.06	Apr	11 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_2020-10	F	66.00	54.50	4.567	0.358	0.592	4.209	14.065 Cytb	
246 2020.04.06	Apr	11 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_2020-7	F	76.00	62.50	6.409	0.469	0.671	5.940	11.296 Cytb	LC760541
247 2020.04.06	Apr	11 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_2020-8	F	61.50	52.00	3.284	0.264	0.321	3.020	10.629 Cytb	LC760542
248 2020.04.06	Apr	11 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_2020-9	F	56.50	47.00	2.622	0.142	0.334	2.480	13.468 Cytb	
249 2020.04.12	Apr	11 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_2020-11	M	75.00	62.00	6.443	0.318	0.183	6.125	2.988 NA	
250 2020.04.12	Apr	11 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_2020-12	M	66.00	54.50	4.284	0.237	0.150	4.047	3.706 NA	
251 2020.04.12	Apr	11 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_2020-13	F	70.00	57.50	5.996	0.532	0.909	5.464	16.636 Cytb	LC763453
252 2020.04.12	Apr	11 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_2020-14	F	64.50	53.50	4.157	0.356	0.314	3.801	8.261 Cytb	
253 2020.05.09	May	12 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_2020-16	F	73.50	61.50	6.317	0.727	0.321	5.590	5.742 Cytb	
254 2020.05.09	May	12 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_2020-17	M	73.00	59.50	5.804	0.330	0.158	5.474	2.886 NA	
255 2020.05.24	May	12 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_2020-19	M	76.00	63.50	6.058	0.568	0.190	5.490	3.461 NA	
256 2020.05.24	May	12 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_2020-20	F	62.50	52.50	3.667	0.496	0.346	3.171	10.911 Cytb	
257 2020.05.24	May	12 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_2020-21	F	58.50	48.50	2.792	0.336	0.015	2.456	0.611 Cytb	LC763454
258 2020.05.24	May	12 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_2020-22	F	74.00	62.00	5.891	0.598	0.176	5.293	3.325 Cytb	
259 2020.05.24	May	12 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_2020-23	F	67.00	56.50	4.449	0.543	0.113	3.906	2.893 Cytb	
260 2020.06.10	Jun	1 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_2020-24	F	73.00	60.50	5.154	0.944	0.194	4.210	4.608 Cytb	LC763455
261 2020.06.10	Jun	1 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_2020-29	M	73.50	61.50	5.023	0.375	0.113	4.648	2.431 NA	
262 2020.06.11	Jun	1 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_2020-33	F	67.50	56.00	5.066	0.373	0.889	4.693	18.943 Cytb	
263 2020.09.17	Sep	4 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_2020-44	M	60.20	50.00	4.095	0.320	0.056	3.775	1.483 Cytb	
264 2020.09.17	Sep	4 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_2020-47	M	57.50	49.00	3.837	0.204	0.048	3.633	1.321 Cytb	
265 2020.11.13	Nov	6 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7511	M	71.00	58.00	7.520	0.550	0.270	6.970	3.874 COI	
266 2020.11.13	Nov	6 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7512	M	70.00	56.00	6.730	0.460	0.170	6.270	2.711 NA	
267 2020.11.30	Nov	6 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7523	F	55.00	44.00	3.230	0.280	0.190	2.950	6.441 COI	
268 2020.11.30	Nov	6 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7524	M	57.00	46.00	3.550	0.160	0.050	3.390	1.475 COI	
269 2020.11.30	Nov	6 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7525	M	65.00	51.00	4.950	0.190	0.120	4.760	2.521 COI	
270 2020.11.30	Nov	6 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7526	F	81.00	64.00	10.860	0.590	1.330	10.270	12.950 COI	
271 2020.11.30	Nov	6 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7527	F	54.00	44.00	2.630	0.170	0.300	2.460	12.195 COI	
272 2020.11.30	Nov	6 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7528	F	62.00	50.00	3.910	0.290	0.200	3.620	5.525 COI	
273 2020.11.30	Nov	6 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7529	F	61.00	50.00	3.770	0.250	0.280	3.520	7.955 COI	
274 2020.11.30	Nov	6 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7530	M	61.00	49.00	3.280	0.180	0.060	3.100	1.935 COI	
275 2020.11.30	Nov	6 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7531	F	60.00	49.00	4.490	0.340	0.060	4.150	1.446 COI	

276 2020.11.30	Nov	6 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7532	F	63.00	51.00	4.850	0.230	0.080	4.620	1.732 COI
277 2020.11.30	Nov	6 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7533	M	62.00	50.00	4.810	0.180	0.080	4.630	1.728 COI
278 2020.11.30	Nov	6 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7534	F	61.00	49.00	5.380	0.320	0.100	5.060	1.976 COI
279 2020.11.30	Nov	6 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7535	F	58.00	48.00	4.190	0.260	0.090	3.930	2.290 COI
280 2020.11.30	Nov	6 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7536	M	57.00	46.00	4.150	0.130	0.140	4.020	3.483 COI
281 2020.12.10	Dec	7 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7552	M	63.00	52.00	4.480	0.540	0.080	3.940	2.030 COI
282 2021.01.29	Jan	8 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7592	F	61.00	50.00	4.400	0.290	0.190	4.110	4.623 COI
283 2021.02.06	Feb	9 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7594	F	52.00	42.00	1.690	0.120	0.190	1.570	12.102 COI
284 2021.02.06	Feb	9 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7603	M	68.00	56.00	5.510	0.440	0.140	5.070	2.761 COI
285 2021.02.06	Feb	9 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7604	M	68.00	55.00	5.400	0.260	0.200	5.140	3.891 COI
286 2021.02.06	Feb	9 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7605	M	71.00	58.00	5.590	0.350	0.150	5.240	2.863 COI
287 2021.02.06	Feb	9 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7606	M	54.00	44.00	2.720	0.210	0.100	2.510	3.984 COI
288 2021.02.06	Feb	9 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7607	M	65.00	52.00	4.600	0.220	0.170	4.380	3.881 COI
289 2021.03.26	Mar	10 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7630	F	63.00	53.00	4.750	0.220	0.550	4.530	12.141 COI
290 2021.03.26	Mar	10 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7631	F	81.00	68.00	8.770	0.480	0.780	8.290	9.409 COI
291 2021.03.26	Mar	10 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7632	F	67.00	55.00	4.210	0.330	0.210	3.880	5.412 COI
292 2021.03.26	Mar	10 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7633	F	55.00	44.00	2.450	0.250	0.130	2.200	5.909 COI
293 2021.03.26	Mar	10 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7638	M	66.00	55.00	5.180	0.510	0.120	4.670	2.570 COI
294 2021.04.05	Apr	11 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7650	F	48.00	39.00	1.340	0.100	0.000	1.240	0.000 COI
295 2021.04.23	Apr	11 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7655	F	55.00	42.00	2.600	0.310	0.060	2.290	2.620 COI
296 2021.05.03	May	12 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7667	F	64.00	54.00	2.960	0.240	0.130	2.720	4.779 COI
297 2021.05.03	May	12 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7668	M	73.00	59.00	4.880	0.320	0.039	4.560	0.855 NA
298 2021.05.03	May	12 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7669	M	77.00	64.00	5.740	0.390	0.029	5.350	0.542 NA
299 2021.05.03	May	12 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7670	M	73.00	62.00	5.270	0.370	0.047	4.900	0.959 COI
300 2021.05.03	May	12 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7671	M	89.00	74.00	7.790	0.540	0.110	7.250	1.517 COI
301 2021.05.03	May	12 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7672	F	72.00	61.00	5.610	0.450	0.530	5.160	10.271 COI
302 2021.05.03	May	12 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7673	F	70.00	58.00	4.420	0.310	0.180	4.110	4.380 COI
303 2021.05.03	May	12 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7674	F	72.00	62.00	6.130	0.460	0.590	5.670	10.406 COI
304 2021.05.03	May	12 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7675	M	68.00	56.00	4.670	0.270	0.130	4.400	2.955 COI
305 2021.05.03	May	12 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7676	F	55.00	45.00	2.070	0.180	0.006	1.890	0.317 COI
306 2021.05.21	May	12 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7677	M	66.00	53.00	3.300	0.250	0.026	3.050	0.852 COI
307 2021.05.21	May	12 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7678	M	67.00	52.00	3.710	0.280	0.019	3.430	0.554 COI
308 2021.05.21	May	12 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7679	M	67.00	54.00	4.450	0.240	0.028	4.210	0.665 COI
309 2021.05.21	May	12 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7680	F	62.00	50.00	3.310	0.360	0.000	2.950	0.000 COI
310 2021.05.21	May	12 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7684	F	65.00	53.00	4.080	0.240	0.280	3.840	7.292 NA
311 2021.05.21	May	12 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7685	F	57.00	46.00	3.620	0.290	0.160	3.330	4.805 NA
312 2021.05.21	May	12 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7686	F	62.00	50.00	3.970	0.270	0.150	3.700	4.054 NA
313 2021.05.21	May	12 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7687	F	62.00	51.00	4.110	0.400	0.050	3.710	1.348 NA
314 2021.07.15	Jul	2 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7725	F	76.00	62.00	6.440	0.680	0.041	5.760	0.712 NA
315 2021.07.15	Jul	2 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7734	F	58.00	48.00	2.510	0.210	0.000	2.300	0.000 COI
316 2021.07.15	Jul	2 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7735	F	64.00	52.00	3.730	0.240	0.004	3.490	0.115 COI
317 2021.07.15	Jul	2 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7736	F	67.00	55.00	3.790	0.280	0.031	3.510	0.883 COI
318 2021.07.15	Jul	2 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7737	M	70.00	58.00	4.710	0.360	0.016	4.350	0.368 COI
319 2021.08.12	Aug	3 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7750	F	67.00	56.00	5.720	0.620	0.011	5.100	0.216 COI
320 2021.08.12	Aug	3 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7751	F	66.00	53.00	4.250	0.240	0.041	4.010	1.022 COI
321 2021.08.12	Aug	3 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7752	F	65.00	51.00	4.540	0.290	0.008	4.250	0.188 COI
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322 2021.08.12	Aug	3 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7753	F	61.00	49.00	3.130	0.150	0.002	2.980	0.067 COI	
323 2021.08.12	Aug	3 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7754	F	54.00	44.00	2.930	0.320	0.009	2.610	0.345 COI	
324 2021.08.12	Aug	3 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7755	F	54.00	43.00	2.200	0.130	0.000	2.070	0.000 COI	
325 2021.09.22	Sep	4 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7773	F	61.00	51.00	3.680	0.250	0.024	3.430	0.700 COI	
326 2021.10.21	Oct	5 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7791	F	65.00	54.00	4.060	0.140	0.041	3.920	1.046 COI	
327 2021.10.21	Oct	5 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7792	M	70.00	57.00	5.320	0.310	0.130	5.010	2.595 COI	
328 2021.10.21	Oct	5 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7793	M	63.00	52.00	4.640	0.290	0.114	4.350	2.621 COI	
329 2022.01.28	Jan	8 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7927	F	66.00	55.00	5.124	0.478	0.745	4.646	16.035 COI	
330 2022.02.25	Feb	9 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7941	F	66.00	55.00	4.900	0.470	0.390	4.430	8.804 COI	
331 2022.02.25	Feb	9 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7942	F	61.00	50.00	4.120	0.230	0.260	3.890	6.684 NA	
332 2022.02.25	Feb	9 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7943	F	65.00	53.00	3.200	0.270	0.140	2.930	4.778 COI	
333 2022.02.25	Feb	9 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7944	F	55.00	45.00	2.390	0.130	0.150	2.260	6.637 COI	
334 2022.05.23	May	12 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7994	M	56.00	47.00	2.586	0.203	0.019	2.383	0.797 NA	
335 2022.05.23	May	12 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7995	M	76.00	59.00	5.722	0.780	0.096	4.942	1.943 NA	
336 2022.05.23	May	12 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7996	F	67.00	55.00	4.480	0.565	0.186	3.915	4.751 NA	
337 2022.05.23	May	12 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7997	F	71.00	59.00	4.996	0.266	0.330	4.730	6.977 NA	
338 2022.05.23	May	12 Oligocottus rubellio	Oru_7998	F	66.00	54.00	3.728	0.219	0.130	3.509	3.705 NA	

**Table S1** GenBank accession number, individual ID, English name, scientific name, and references of Co1 sequencies of marine sculpins (Psychrolutidae) used for this study.

Accession No.	Individual ID	English name	Scientific name	References
MW128525	MW128525 Enophrys diceraus	Antlered Sculpin	Enophrys diceraus	Turanov and Kartavtsev (2021)
KP827283	KP827283 Artedius fenestralis	Padded Sculpin	Artedius fenestralis	Buser and López (2015)
KP827279	KP827279 Artedius harringtoni	Scalyhead Sculpin	Artedius harringtoni	Buser and López (2015)
KP827287	KP827287 Artedius lateralis	Smoothhead Sculpin	Artedius lateralis	Buser and López (2015)
GU440286	GU440286 Clinocottus analis	Woolly Sculpin	Clinocottus analis	Hastings and Burton (2008)
KP827314	KP827314 Clinocottus analis*	Woolly Sculpin*	Clinocottus analis*	Buser and López (2015)
EU403067	EU403067 Icelinus filamentosus	Threadfin Sculpin	Icelinus filamentosus	Hastings and Burton (2008)
GU440370	GU440370 Leptocottus armatus	Pacific Staghorn Sculpin	Leptocottus armatus	Hastings and Burton (2008)
KP827315	KP827315 Oligocottus rubellio	Rosy Sculpin	Oligocottus rubellio	Buser and López (2015)
KP827306	KP827306 Oligocottus snyderi	Fluffy Sculpin	Oligocottus snyderi	Buser and López (2015)
EU403072	EU403072 Scorpaenichthys marmoratus	Cabezon	Scorpaenichthys marmoratus	Hastings and Burton (2008)

<sup>\*</sup>Assigned as Fluffy Sculpin (Oligocottus snyderi) in this study

**Table S2** GenBank accession number, individual ID, English name, scientific name, and references of *Cytb* sequencies of marine sculpins (Psychrolutidae) used for this study.

Accession No.	Individual ID	English name	Scientific name	References
LC546698	LC546698 Artedius corallinus	Coralline Sculpin	Artedius corallinus	Awata et al. (2022)
LC546699	LC546699 Artedius corallinus	Coralline Sculpin	Artedius corallinus	Awata et al. (2022)
LC546700	LC546700 Artedius harringtoni	Scalyhead Sculpin	Artedius harringtoni	Awata et al. (2022)
LC546701	LC546701 Artedius harringtoni	Scalyhead Sculpin	Artedius harringtoni	Awata et al. (2022)
LC546702	LC546702 Artedius lateralis	Smoothhead Sculpin	Artedius lateralis	Awata et al. (2022)
LC546703	LC546703 Clinocottus analis	Woolly Sculpin	Clinocottus analis	Awata et al. (2022)
LC546704	LC546704 Clinocottus analis	Woolly Sculpin	Clinocottus analis	Awata et al. (2022)
LC546705	LC546705 Clinocottus recalvus	Bald Sculpin	Clinocottus recalvus	Awata et al. (2022)
LC546706	LC546706 Icelinus cavifrons	Pit-head Sculpin	Icelinus cavifrons	Awata et al. (2022)
LC546707	LC546707 Icelinus cavifrons	Pit-head Sculpin	Icelinus cavifrons	Awata et al. (2022)
LC546708	LC546708 Leptocottus armatus	Pacific Staghorn Sculpin	Leptocottus armatus	Awata et al. (2022)
LC546709	LC546709 Oligocottus maculosus	Tidepool Sculpin	Oligocottus maculosus	Awata et al. (2022)
LC546710	LC546710 Oligocottus maculosus	Tidepool Sculpin	Oligocottus maculosus	Awata et al. (2022)
LC760541	Oru_2020-7	Rosy Sculpin	Oligocottus rubellio	This study
LC760542	Oru_2020-8	Rosy Sculpin	Oligocottus rubellio	This study
LC763453	Oru_2020-13	Rosy Sculpin	Oligocottus rubellio	This study
LC763454	Oru_2020-21	Rosy Sculpin	Oligocottus rubellio	This study
LC763455	Oru_2020-24	Rosy Sculpin	Oligocottus rubellio	This study
LC546711	LC546711 Oligocottus snyderi	Fluffy Sculpin	Oligocottus snyderi	Awata et al. (2022)
LC546712	LC546712 Oligocottus snyderi	Fluffy Sculpin	Oligocottus snyderi	Awata et al. (2022)
LC546713	LC546713 Orthonopias triacis	Snubnose Sculpin	Orthonopias triacis	Awata et al. (2022)
LC546714	LC546714 Scorpaenichthys marmoratus	Cabezon	Scorpaenichthys marmoratus	Awata et al. (2022)
LC546715	LC546715 Scorpaenichthys marmoratus	Cabezon	Scorpaenichthys marmoratus	Awata et al. (2022)