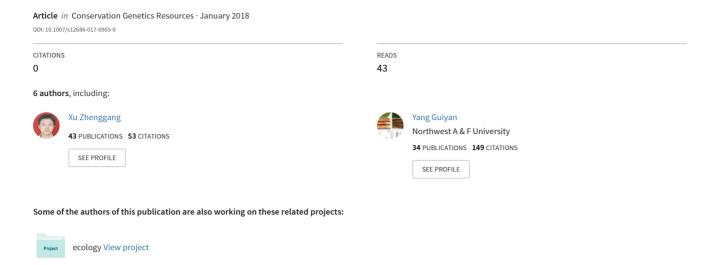
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Abstract

The complete chloroplast genome sequence of *Lupinus westianus*, an endangered and endemic species to Florida, United States, has been assembled from Illumina pair-end sequencing. The chloroplast genome structure of *L. westianus* is a circular molecule of 154,270 bp in length, with a large single copy (LSC) region of 82,437 bp, a small single copy (SSC) region of 15,853 bp, and a pair of inverted repeats (IRs) regions of 27,990 bp. The total G+C content of chloroplast genome is 36.47%, and while it is 41.56% of IRs, which was higher than LSC and SSC regions. The genome contained 130 genes, including 85 protein coding genes, 37 tRNA genes and 8 rRNA genes, of which 18 were duplicated in the IRs region. The phylogenetic analysis indicated that *L. westianus* was clustered together with other two genus of *Lupinus*, *L. luteus* and *L. albus*. The chloroplast genome of *L. westianus* laid a good foundation for genetic resources conservation. The chloroplast genome reported provided useful genomic resources not only for the exchange of information between different species, but also for the population genetics of *L. westianus* and its phylogenetic and evolutionary studies.

Keywords Lupinus westianus · Endangered species · Endemic species · Illumina sequencing · Chloroplast genome

Lupinus, commonly known as lupin or lupine (North America), is a genus of flowering plants in the legume family, Fabaceae. The scrub lupine is a federally listed endangered species of the United States. L. westianus, mainly distribute in subtropical, tropical dry or coastal sand dunes habitat and is a endemic species to Florida, United States. Before the 1930s, the distribution of L. aridorum was described as "infrequent to locally abundant", while the population showed a continuing downward trends basing on annual surveys since 2002 (Bupp et al. 2017). The main survived populations were found in scrub habitat on two ridge systems in northern Florida. L. westianus were evaluated as

near threatened (NT) species and the decreasing population be noted in the IUCN Red List of Threatened Species (IUCN). The main threatened pressure come from human development, leading to loss of natural habitat. Low genetic diversity and gene flow were find out in the fragmentation habitat of L. westianus (Bupp et al. 2017). Aside from reduction of viable habitat, remaining habitat is affected by fire suppression. Other threats, such as disease caused bacterium would improve the species wilt. L. westianus population is important not only for biodiversity, but the species can supply medicinal materials (Goldberg and Sahli 1967). Germplasm resources information is helpful to its effective management, conservation and exploitation. Chloroplast genomes of L. westianus were got based on the Illumina paired-end sequencing data and characterization and phylogenetic analysis were done in the study. The annotated have been deposited into GenBank under the accession numbers MG252262.

Leaf samples of *L. westianus* were collected from ridge systems in northern Florida (83.9689°E, 30.3866°N, United States). Total genomic DNA was extracted from one or two leaf samples per individual, using a QIAquick DNA Mini Kit (QIAGEN, Valencia, California, USA). Shotgun libraries were constructed, and high-throughput sequencing was

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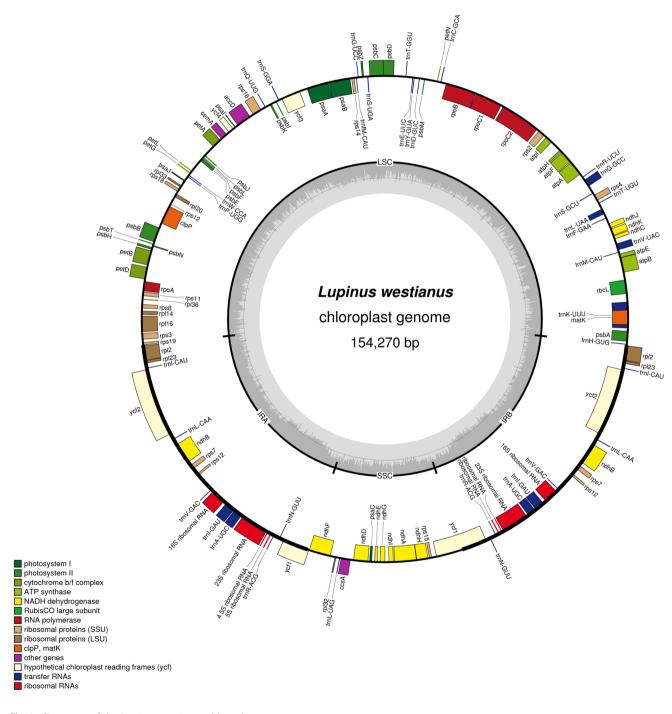
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carried out on the Illumina HiSeq 2500 sequencing system following the manufacturer's protocol (Illumina, CA,USA). Chloroplast genome data were filtered, annotated and the circular map was generated as Zhang et al. described (2017).

The chloroplast genome structure of *L. westianus* is a circular molecule of 154,270 bp in length, with a large single copy (LSC) region of 82,437 bp, a small single copy (SSC) region of 15,853 bp, and a pair of inverted repeats

(IRs) regions of 27,990 bp (Fig. 1). The total G+C content of chloroplast genome is 36.47%, and while it is 41.56% of IRs, which was higher than LSC and SSC regions (34.20 and 30.32%, respectively). The genome contained 130 genes, including 85 protein coding genes, 37 tRNA genes and 8 rRNA genes, of which 18 were duplicated in the IRs region, including 7 PCG species [ndhB, rpl2, rpl23, rps7, rps12, ycf1 and ycf2], 7 tRNA [trn1-CAU, trnL-CAA, trnV-GAC,



 $\textbf{Fig. 1} \quad \textbf{Gene map of the $Lupinus we stianus$ chloroplast genome}$



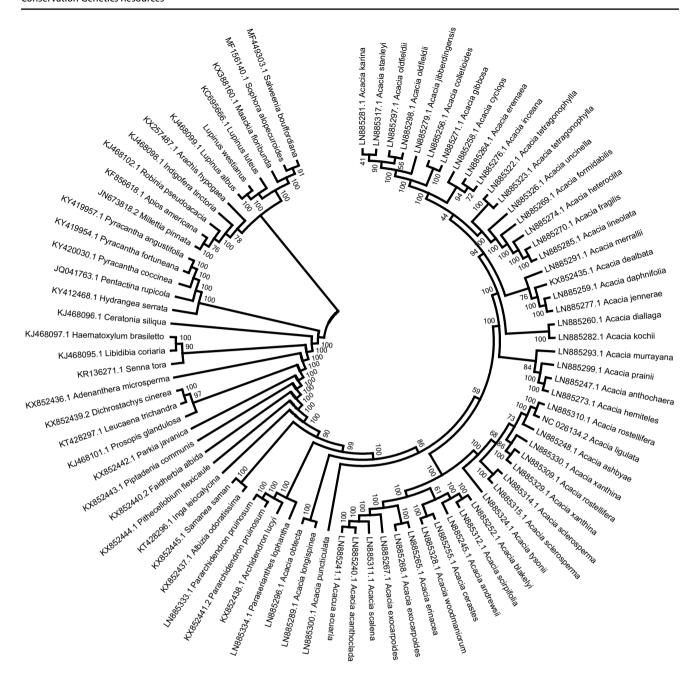


Fig. 2 Phylogenetic analysis involved all the chloroplast genome of 84 species of Fabaceae, using neighbor-joining (NJ) analysis in MEGA7 sequences (with 1000 bootstrap replicates)

trnI-GAU, trnA-UGC, trnR-ACG and trnN-GUU] and 4 rRNA [rrn4.5, rrn5, rrn16 and rrn23]. Among these genes, 7 genes (atpF, rpoC1, psaA, rpl2, ndhB, ndhA and ycf1) contain a single intron and 2 genes (ycf3 and clpP) contain two introns.

Eighty-four species of Fabaceae were selected and phylogenetic analysis were done for *L. westianus*. The analysis involved all the chloroplast genome of above species and the evolutionary analyses were conducted in MEGA7 sequences (with 1000 bootstrap replicates) (Kumar et al.

2016). The phylogenetic analysis indicated that *L. westianus* was clustered together with other two genus of *Lupinus*, *L. luteus* and *L. albus* (Fig. 2). The chloroplast genome of *L. westianus* laid a good foundation for genetic resoures conservation. The chloroplast genome reported here provided useful genomic resources not only for the exchange of information between different species, but also for the population genetics of *L. westianus* and its phylogenetic and evolutionary studies.



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