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Genomics of a mushroom *Schizophyllum*Title:

commune to understand biodiversity and our

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## Abstract

Biodiversity explores three levels of diversity; species, intra-species, and ecosystems. The fungal kingdom is estimated to have six times as many species as land plants, but our knowledge of intra-species genetic diversity in fungi lags behind that of animals and plants. Interestingly, the highest genetic diversity of any known eukaryote is reported from a mushroom, Schizophyllum commune. The species causes a rare human respiratory disease, but whether the high genetic diversity is associated with phenotypes such as pathogenicity in humans is unclear. Here I present our reference genome project of S. commune to investigate genomic and phenotypic diversity. We found that genomes of Japanese S. commune differ by 1%, greater than those between humans and chimps. Our study would contribute to understanding diversity in fungi and the relationships between human health and biodiversity.



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