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ITS Sequences and Their Phylogenetic Implications in Acer Species (Aceraceae)

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As a part of comprehensive phylogenetic studies on the genus Acer (Aceraceae), sequences of internal transcribed spacers (ITS) of nuclear ribosomal DNA were determined to study phylogenetic relationships among selected sections of the genus. ITS 1 ranged from 230 to 237 bp, and ITS 2 from 227 to 239 bp. The 5.8S was 164 bp. The G + C contents of ITS 1 and 2 were 60.4-64.0% and 60.3-64%, respectively, and The nucleotide divergences was 0-11.50% at intra-sectional levels and 55.5% for 5.8S. 3.27-16.51% at inter-sectional levels. The molecular phylogeny based on ITS sequences were considerably different from ones proposed by various authors on the basis of morphology. Section Platanoidea was separated from other sections at the base of the phylogenetic tree and then section Macrantha was placed at the base among the rest. Sections Negundo and Caudata constituted a clade, serving as the sister group of Section Ginnala was placed as the sister group of 'Ginnala-Oblonga-Palmata' clade. `Oblonga-Palmata' clade. In the clade of 'Oblonga-Palmata', two species of section Oblonga were not tied by a monophyly. Acer burgerianum was placed as a sister group to the clade of A. oblongum and three species of section Palmata.

A202 Molecular Evidence for the Origin of a Hybrid Species of Viola from Ullung Island

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A *Viola* species in Ullung Island, which have been erroneously recognized as *V. albida* var. *takahashii*, displays intermediate characteristics in major morphological features such as stigma type, sepal appendages, flower colors and leaf shape of *V. albida* var. *chaerophylloides* and *V. selkirkii*, suggesting that the species should be formed by the hybridization between these two species. The parts of nuclear ribosomal DNA (nuclear genome) and *ndhF* (chloroplast genome) were analyzed by PCR-mediated RFLP. The molecular data clearly demonstrated that the parents of the hybrid species are *V. albida* var. *chaerophylloides* and *V. selkirkii*. In addition, the analyses of two genome systems provided the solid proof that the paternal line of the hybrid species is *V. albida* var. *chaerophylloides* and the maternal line is *V. selkirkii*.