

**Table S2. Species numbers in teleost clades, and estimated U and Z α3 copy numbers in teleost species, investigated by Malmström and co-workers.**  
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Clades for which Malmström et al.1 calculated elevated copy number optima	Malmström et al.1 Fig. 1 clades	Species investigated by Malmström et al.1		Gadiform species numbers according to Nelson 2006 <sup>2</sup>	Species numbers according to Davis et al. 2016 <sup>3</sup> (or Nelson 2006 <sup>2</sup> , or Wikipedia)
		estimated <sup>1</sup> Z-α3 copies	estimated <sup>2</sup> U-α3 copies		
Percomorphaceae excluding Ophidiiformes 25.2	Ovalentariae incertae sedis	<i>Pseudochromis fuscus</i>	3	6	Ovalentariae incertae sedis 86 MYA
		<i>Chromis chromis</i>	2	33	92 MYA
	Blenniiformes	<i>Parablennius parvicornis</i>	1	8	Blenniiformes 1930
	Anabantiformes	<i>Anabas testudineus</i>	4	51	Wiki: Anabantiformes 252
		<i>Helostoma temminckii</i>	6	56	64 MYA
	Carangiformes	<i>Selene dorsalis</i>	2	13	Carangiformes 1074
		<i>Antennarius striatus</i>	2	18	Nelson: Lophiiformes 313
		<i>Spondylisoma cantharus</i>	8	80	Wiki: Sparidae 155
		<i>Symphodus melops</i>	3	20	Labriformes 687
		<i>Chaenocephalus aceratus</i>	2	19	Scorpaeniformes, Centarchiformes, Acropomatiformes and Acanthuriformes 5780
Berycoidaei 41.5	Perciformes	<i>Sebastes norvegicus</i>	4	21	71 MYA
		<i>Myoxocephalus scorpius</i>	1	9	78 MYA
		<i>Perca fluviatilis</i>	4	29	84 MYA
	Gobiiformes	<i>Lesueurigobius cf. sanzi</i>	2	14	111 MYA
	Scombriformes	<i>Thunnus albacares</i>	6	47	118 MYA
		<i>Chatrabus melanurus</i>	1	21	123 MYA
		<i>Carapus acus</i>	1	7	128 MYA
		<i>Lamprogrammus exutus</i>	1	5	137 MYA
		<i>Bratula barbata</i>	1	15	140 MYA
		<i>Acanthochoenus luetkenii</i>	1	11	147 MYA
Gadiformes excluding Bregmacerotidae and Gadidae 57.5	Beryciformes	<i>Rondeletia loricata</i>	1	2	Gadiformes 2379
		<i>Beryx splendens</i>	1	39	Scombriformes and Syngnathiformes 944
	Holocentriiformes	<i>Neoniphon sammara</i>	1	8	Batrachoidiformes 83
		<i>Holocentrus rufus</i>	2	11	67 MYA
		<i>Myripristis jacobus</i>	1	5	91 MYA
		<i>Monacentris japonica</i>	1	6	90 MYA
	Lampridiformes	<i>Lampris guttatus</i>	1	3	113 MYA
		<i>Regalecus glesne</i>	1	4	129 MYA
		<i>Gadus morhua</i>	7	80	15 MYA
		<i>Theragra chalcogramma</i>	10	31	59 MYA
Gadiformes	Gadinae	<i>Boreogadus saida</i>	5	41	3 MYA
		<i>Arctogadus glacialis</i>	4	39	8 MYA
		<i>Merlangius merlangus</i>	4	36	13 MYA
		<i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i>	3	32	18 MYA
		<i>Pollachius virens</i>	4	18	27 MYA
		<i>Gadculus argenteus</i>	0.3	16	39 MYA
		<i>Trisopterus minutus</i>	1	5	43 MYA
		<i>Brosme brosme</i>	1	27	46 MYA
		<i>Molva molva</i>	2	12	59 MYA
		<i>Lota lota</i>	2	24	71 MYA
Percopsiformes and Polymixiiformes 22.1	Phycinae	<i>Phycis phycis</i>	1	8	16 MYA
		<i>Phycis blennoides</i>	4	10	30 MYA
	Macrourinae	<i>Malacocephalus occidentalis</i>	1	14	50 MYA
		<i>Macrourus berglax</i>	3	42	61 MYA
	Bathygadinae	<i>Bathygadus melanobranchus</i>	1	79	62 MYA
	Moridae	<i>Laemonema laureysi</i>	2	17	64 MYA
		<i>Mora moro</i>	1	70	68 MYA
	Trachyrincinae	<i>Trachyrincus murrayi</i>	1	70	85 MYA
		<i>Trachyrincus scabrus</i>	1	89	105 MYA
		<i>Muraenolepis marmoratus</i>	1	104	126 MYA
Gadiformes excluding Bregmacerotidae and Gadidae 57.5	Muraenolepididae	<i>Muraenolepis marmoratus</i>	1	104	145 MYA
	Melanonidae	<i>Melanonus zugmayeri</i>	1	55	151 MYA
	Merlucciidae	<i>Merluccius capensis</i>	1	73	159 MYA
		<i>Merluccius merluccius</i>	2	98	169 MYA
		<i>Merluccius pollii</i>	2	94	195 MYA
	Bregmacerotidae	<i>Bregmaceros cantori</i>	3	0.2	
	Stylephoriformes	<i>Stylephorus chordatus</i>	2	10	
	Zeiformes	<i>Cyttopsis roseus</i>	1	5	
		<i>Zeus faber</i>	2	3	
	Percopsiformes	<i>Typhlichthys subterraneus</i>	1	34	
Gadiformes excluding Bregmacerotidae and Gadidae 57.5	Percopsiformes	<i>Percopsis transmontana</i>	1	13	
	Polymixiiformes	<i>Polymixia japonica</i>	1	20	
	Myctophiformes	<i>Benthoema glaciale</i>	3	0.1	
	Ateleopodiformes	<i>Gaucherius atliveila</i>	2	7	
	Aulopiformes	<i>Parasudis triserbrunneri</i>	2	3	
	Stomiiformes	<i>Borostomius antarcticus</i>	2	17	
	Osmeriformes	<i>Osmerus eperlanus</i>	4	3	

**How this Table is organized:**

In the columns at the far left, the dark gray shading with white font highlights the clades for which Malmström et al.1 concluded elevated copy number optima, with the numbers indicating the optimum U+Z values as listed in Malmström et al.1 Fig. 3.

In the second set of columns, with the title "Malmström et al.1 Fig. 1 clades", it shows the lowest level of clades, and also the Gadiformes clade, distinguished by Malmström et al.1 in their Fig. 1. White or gray coloring of blocks only serves easier visibility. Beryciformes and Lotinae may not form proper phylogenetic clades.

The column "Species investigated by Malmström et al.1" lists the 66 species that Malmström et al.1 investigated.

At the far right, the colored fields, which are not in proper ratios, represent the phylogeny and time scale (MYA=million years ago) which Malmström et al.1 assigned to the separations of the investigated clades and species in their Fig. 1 and Supplementary Table 5.

The columns "estimated1 Z-α3 copies" and "estimated1 U-α3 copies" indicates the number of Z and U lineage α3 copies per species as listed in Malmström et al.1 Supplementary Table 3.

The column "Gadiform species numbers according to Nelson 2006<sup>2</sup>" indicates the number of species per gadiform clade as indicated in the book by Nelson 2006<sup>2</sup>.

The column "Species numbers according to Davis et al. 2016<sup>3</sup> (or Nelson 2006<sup>2</sup>, or Wikipedia)" indicates the number of species per clade following Davis et al. 2016<sup>3</sup>, or, if Davis et al. 2016<sup>3</sup> did not provide the information, by Nelson 2006<sup>2</sup> or Wikipedia (Wiki).

Red boxes highlight examples of situations which do not agree with the concept that abundant species are associated with high estimated numbers of U- $\alpha$ 3 copies; the Z copy numbers are not included, since their limited number probably does not make a real difference, and conceptually the combination of U and Z is wrong (see main text).

What this table intends to show:

The choice of clades selected in the OU model by Malmstrøm et al.1 as regimes with elevated copy number optima seems quite arbitrarily, and many other branchings do not agree with the concept that abundant species are associated with high estimated numbers of U+Z  $\alpha$ 3 copies.

The red boxes highlight that:

Blenniiformes have many species, but *Parablennius parvicornis* has only an estimated 8 U- $\alpha$ 3 copies.

There are many more species in Carangiformes than in its sisterclade Anabantiformes, but in Anabantiformes the estimated U- $\alpha$ 3 copy numbers are much higher than in Canabantiformes.

There are many more species in Gobiformes than in its sisterclade Scombriformes plus Syngnathiformes, but in the latter the estimated U- $\alpha$ 3 copy numbers are much higher.

The very high U- $\alpha$ 3 number in several Gadiformes, like for example in *Gadus morhua*, does not agree with the species-richness of Gadiformes, which with only 610 species is only modest for a >86 million year old teleost lineage.

*Brosme brosme* belongs to a very species-poor lineage, but nevertheless has an estimated 27 U- $\alpha$ 3 copies.

There are many more species in Macrourinae than in its sisterclade Bathygadinae, but in the latter the estimated U- $\alpha$ 3 copy numbers are much higher.

There are many more species in Macrourinae plus Bathygadinae plus Moridae than in the sister clade Trachyrincinae plus Muraenolepididae, but, on average, in the latter the estimated U- $\alpha$ 3 copy numbers are much higher.

For representing the offspring of a 55 million year old lineage, Melanonidae has very few species, but nevertheless has a very high estimated U- $\alpha$ 3 copy number.

For representing the offspring of a 138 million year old lineage, Percopsiformes has very few species, but nevertheless *Typhlichthys subterraneus* has a very high estimated U- $\alpha$ 3 copy number.

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