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3 Transcriptomic profiling of the mussel *Mytilus trossulus* with a special emphasis on  
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6 integrin-like genes during development  
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## Abstract

This study is based on the Illumina RNA-sequencing data obtained for a *de novo* assembly of the transcriptome from early developmental stages and some tissues and cells of the adult mussel *Mytilus trossulus* (Mytilidae, Mollusca) using Trinity program. A total of 200079 contigs were obtained, and compared to the NCBI database using BLAST to search for sequence similarity.

The number of annotated contigs under the GO term 3 categories was estimated to reach 19.96%.

The BUSCO analysis determined a level of 99.2% completeness for the assembled

transcriptome. The main findings include evidence that the mussel  $\beta$  integrin-like protein sequences are high similar to the  $\beta$  integrin-like proteins so far sequenced for all classes of Mollusca, while the highest similarity is observed between mussel and oyster (*Crasostrea gigas*)  $\beta$  integrin-like proteins. Our transcriptome dataset contributes to the genetic databases of non-model animals such as Bivalves and represents the first characterization of expressed sequences during early development of the mollusk *M. trossulus* from the Sea of Japan including the identification of candidate genes involved in cell adhesion.

**Keywords:** integrin-like proteins, cell adhesion, Mollusca, next-generation sequencing, stage-specific expression

## Introduction

When cells began to organize into multicellular organisms, the appearance of extracellular matrix (ECM) is an important stage in this process (Wainright et al., 1993). A prerequisite for the emergence of long-lived multicellular organisms was the evolution of intercellular adhesion mechanisms (Abedin, King, 2010). Unicellular ancestors of Metazoa had a variety of protein components of cell adhesion complexes and receptor-type signalling molecules, such as integrins and cadherins, involved in metazoan multicellularity and development (Suga et al., 2013). Sequencing of the genome of one of the most primitive multicellular organisms, the sponge *Amphimedon queenslandica*, has revealed a set of genes associated with the emergence of metazoan multicellularity, among them genes involved in cell adhesion (Srivastava et al., 2010). In lower metazoans, Placozoans, genome includes genes for many proteins of the ECM found in the basement membranes of other animals, despite the lack of a basement membrane in Placozoans (Srivastava et al., 2008). In this study, we present an initial survey of candidate genes involved in cell adhesion, such as genes encoding integrin-like proteins, during early development of the bivalve mollusk *Mytilus trossulus*, because the integrin gene families that are particularly interesting in the context of the evolution of multicellularity. Unfortunately, the evolutionary history of integrins is largely unclear (Humphries, 2000; Hughes, 2001). It is known that one or more alpha integrin-subunits associate with specific beta integrin subunits, and  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  integrin subunits are encoded by evolutionarily unrelated gene families (Hynes, 1992). There is evidence of the divergence of alpha integrin-subunits until the separation of Protostomes from Deuterostomes (Hynes, 2012). Alpha integrin-subunit in mussels is located near alpha integrin-subunits of sponges, cnidarians, nematodes, arthropods, echinoderms and ascidians (Miyazawa et al., 2001; Takada et al., 2007). A phylogenetic tree constructed for these alpha subunits also indicates their ancestral position (Miyazawa et al., 2001).

The genome-sequencing data of the snail *Biomphalaria glabrata* and the Pacific oyster *Crassostrea gigas* confirmed the presence of genes encoding integrin-like proteins in mollusks

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3 (Lockyer et al., 2007; Zhang et al., 2012). Moreover, shell formation in oysters was found to  
4 depend on genes associated with the ECM (Zhang et al., 2012). To date, *Mytilus* transcriptome  
5 sequencing has been reported only for adult *M. edulis* and *M. galloprovincialis* (Venier et  
6 al., 2003; Craft et al., 2010; Philipp et al., 2012; Tanguy et al., 2013; Toubiana et al., 2014;  
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8 Moreira et al., 2015). One study deals with the transcription profiles of molluscan larvae (Bassim  
9 et al., 2014), where the active transcription of *M. edulis* genes encoding proteins of the ECM has  
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19 The integrin homologs have been previously identified in some marine invertebrates from  
20 corals to mollusks (Burke, 1999; Grasso et al., 2008; Knack et al., 2008; Jia et al., 2015) and are  
21 highly conserved in the Metazoa kingdom (Burke 1999; Takada et al. 2007). The integrin  $\beta 1$   
22 subunit is likely to be the common ancestor for all  $\beta$  integrin subunits in vertebrates (Hughes,  
23 2001; Ewan et al., 2005). It should be borne in mind that, similar to integrins in vertebrates,  
24 studying the integrin-like proteins in invertebrates shows that they play an important role in  
25 developmental processes (Burke, 1999; Zhang et al., 2012; Bassim et al., 2014; Maiorova,  
26 Odintsova, 2015). Nevertheless, there is a few information about the participation of integrin-like  
27 proteins in the development of mollusks (Dyachuk et al., 2015).  
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40 Here, a set of positively selected genes related to integrin complex was identified in the  
41 transcription profiles of one of the representatives from the lophotrochozoan clade, the mussel  
42 *M. trossulus*. We have also conducted the quantitative expression analysis of mussel integrin  
43 homologs during early development. Additionally, an analysis of the mussel transcriptome  
44 revealed four novel full-length sequences, orthologous to mammalian transcripts, that seemed to  
45 be isoforms of two genes encoding  $\beta$  integrin-like proteins. The  $\beta$ -A transcript had isoforms  $\beta$ -A1  
46 and  $\beta$ -A2 that differed by the insertion of 24 base pairs (bps) in a protein-coding region of the  
47 extracellular domain; the  $\beta$ -B transcript also had two isoforms ( $\beta$ -B1 and  $\beta$ -B2) that differed by a  
48 small insertion in a non-coding region. We compared our results with the well-known sequences  
49 of  $\beta$  integrin-like proteins from other animals and found that the predicted  $\beta$  integrin-like  
50 proteins of mussel were most closely related to the integrins of mollusks (two resembling the  
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3 oyster  $\beta$ 1-integrin and two more similar to the oyster  $\beta$ 3-integrin (Zhang et al., 2012)). There are  
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5 a few molecular studies for deep sea mussels but all of them are based only on mitochondrial or  
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7 nuclear genes (Distel et al., 2000; Owada, 2007; Samadi et al., 2007; Liu et al., 2018), thus, we  
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9 are forced to compare sequencing information with oyster genome. The present study provides a  
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11 transcriptome that can serve as a reference for future studies of functional development of this  
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13 important bivalve group in the marine ecosystems.  
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## 16 17 18 19 **Methods**

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22 Marine farmed mussels (*M. trossulus*, Bivalvia: Mytilidae) used as a model were  
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24 collected from the Vostok Bay of the Sea of Japan and stored in tubs filled with aerated running  
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26 seawater (SW) at 5–10°C before performing the experiments. The spawning of sexually mature  
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28 specimens was induced by thermal shock, as previously described (Dyachuk, Odintsova, 2009).  
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30 Our studies did not involve endangered or protected species.  
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34 Developing embryos were cultivated in 5-L tanks at 17°C, harvested at different  
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36 developmental stages, including fertilized eggs, cleaving embryos, and larvae, up to the early  
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38 veliger (Odintsova et al., 2010). We have collected the larvae after the hatching at the stage of  
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40 swimming blastula (11 h after fertilization) at the mesh gauze (35  $\mu$ m), then we have added SW  
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42 in the tank. In due time, the trochophore larvae were collected at the new mesh gauze, and for  
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44 following development (up to the early veliger) the trochophore larvae were transferred to a new  
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46 tank with the fresh SW. Also, some cells and tissues (hemocytes, adductor, gills, digestive gland,  
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48 mantle, and testis) of adult mollusks were used for constructing sequencing libraries. Total  
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50 RNAs from the mussel embryonic or larval suspensions (about 0.05–0.1 ml of 300000 embryos  
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52 or larvae) or cells and tissues of adult mollusks (50–100 mg) were lysed in 15–20 volumes of  
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54 TRIzol Reagent (Thermo Fisher Scientific, USA), briefly frozen in liquid nitrogen, and stored at  
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### *RNA isolation*

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3 Total RNAs were extracted using the RNeasy Mini kit (Qiagen, USA). Contaminating  
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5 DNA was removed with DNAase I (Fermentas, USA). RNA concentration was determined using  
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7 a NanoDrop spectrophotometer (Thermo Scientific, USA). The RNA quality was checked using  
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9 an Agilent 2100 Bioanalyzer (Agilent Technologies, USA) according to the manufacturer's  
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#### 14 *Preparation of the mRNA fragment library and Sequencing*

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16 Sequencing libraries were prepared *using* the reagents provided in the *Illumina*®  
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18 TruSeq® RNA *Sample Preparation Kit* based on 5 µg of total RNA in each sample. Libraries  
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20 were quantified by real-time PCR using the KAPA Library Quantification Kit for the Illumina  
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22 platform (Kapa Biosystems, USA). The DNA fragment size was verified using the Agilent 2100  
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24 Bioanalyzer DNA High Sensitivity Assay (Agilent Technologies, USA). The average fragment  
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26 size was within the range from 360 to 490 bps. The libraries were sequenced **using the**  
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28 **information obtaining from two sequencers MiSeq (Illumina, USA) and HiSeq2500 (Illumina)** in  
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30 the Marine Genomics Unit (OIST, Japan) (see Supplementary table S1 for details of libraries and  
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32 sample sets used for the different transcriptome reads). **Longer sequence reads (2x280 bp)**  
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34 **obtained with MiSeq were used for transcriptome assembly and for preliminary gene expression**  
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36 **estimation. Short sequence reads (2x134 bp) obtained with HiSeq had higher coverage and were**  
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38 **used for expression estimation of all genes.**  
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#### 44 *The assembly of de novo transcriptome of M. trossulus*

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46 Raw reads were processed for adapter sequences removal and trimming using the  
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48 Trimmomatic tool (Bolger et al., 2014). Sequencing fragments quality was monitored using the  
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50 FAST-QC program ([www.bioinformatics.bbsrc.ac.uk/projects/fastqc/](http://www.bioinformatics.bbsrc.ac.uk/projects/fastqc/)). After removing  
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52 ambiguous nucleotides and low-quality reads (quality scores <20), Illumina Miseq high-quality  
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54 raw reads with Phred score  $\geq 20$  and length  $\geq 36$  bps were kept for further assembly and  
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56 quantitative expression analysis. The assembly of *de novo* transcriptome was performed using  
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58 the Trinity program (version r20140413p1) (Haas et al., 2013). A transcriptome assembly quality  
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60 was assessed using QUASt (Gurevich et al., 2013). **Transcriptome completeness was assessed**  
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3 using the Benchmarking Universal Single-Copy Ortholog (BUSCO) assessment tool (Simão et  
4 al., 2015), software version 3.1.0 with default setting. The metazoa\_odb9 dataset consisting of  
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6 978 single-copy genes was used as a reference.  
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#### 9 10 *Sequence Annotation*

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12 For the annotation steps, we searched for potential contaminant sequences in our  
13 assembly. We looked for sequences with bacterial signatures using CLARK-1 (Ounit et al., 2015)  
14 and BLAST<sub>x</sub>. Protein coding sequences of transcripts were analyzed via Transdecoder. The  
15 standard Trinotate annotation pipeline (<https://trinotate.github.io/>) was performed to annotate the  
16 assembled transcripts against the UniProt, NR, Pfam, and GO databases using the BLAST<sub>x</sub>  
17 program.  
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#### 20 21 22 *Quantitative gene expression*

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24 To assess the level of gene expression in the data of massive parallel sequencing between  
25 all tested early developmental stages, we used alignment readings to the received transcripts by  
26 the RSEM algorithm, and then analyzed values of FPKM (fragments per kilobase of transcript  
27 length per million mapped reads). For the quantitative expression analysis, the high-quality reads  
28 from each sample were mapped.  
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#### 31 32 33 *Availability of Supporting Data*

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35 Illumina read sequences from this study were deposited in the NCBI's SRA database  
36 (Sequence Read Archive) under the accession number SRP 137045. Assembled sequences have  
37 been submitted to the NCBI under the submission code SUB (3854015).  
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#### 40 41 42 *Amino acid sequence analysis of $\beta$ -integrin-like proteins*

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44 A search for integrin homologs was performed using the algorithms BLASTp and  
45 BLAST<sub>x</sub> in the NCBI NR and UniProt/TrEMBLE databases. We compared the amino acid  
46 sequences of suspected mussel  $\beta$ - integrin-like proteins with the known sequences of  $\beta$ -integrins  
47 from some other organisms from different taxonomic groups using the ClustalW algorithm (see  
48 Supplementary Figure, S2). Then, sequence alignments were manually corrected by the  
49 provisions of 56 conserved cysteine residues using the program MEGA 7 (Kumar et al., 2016),  
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3 alignment was visualized using JalView (Waterhouse et al., 2009). Based on the alignment data,  
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5 a phylogenetic analysis of the sequences was conducted using the method of maximum  
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7 likelihood (ML) and the method of nearest neighbors (NJ) in the program MEGA 7 (Kumar et  
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9 al., 2016). As the best model of the test data set, the WAG model was chosen.

## 12 Results

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14 The *M. trossulus* transcriptome analysis included almost 40 million assembled raw RNA-  
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16 Seq reads with the median length of 392 bp. Total reads were compiled into 200079 contigs  
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18 ranging from 500–31400 bp, with an average length of contig of 728 bp. Sixteen sequencing  
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20 libraries were constructed. Specific details related to the *M. trossulus* assembly statistics and  
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22 annotation are included in Table 1 (also, see Supplementary table S1). The BUSCO analysis  
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24 determined a level of 99.2% completeness for the assembled transcriptome. There are only two  
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26 missing orthologs and six fragmented orthologs from the metazoa\_odb9 dataset in the *M.*  
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33 Using the NR database, the number of annotated sequences was estimated to reach  
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35 29.24%. Contigs were annotated using the Trinotate annotation pipeline (version r20140708,  
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37 www.trinotate.github.io) with an E-value threshold of  $1 \times 10^{-5}$ . This pipeline assesses BLAST  
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39 homologies between the assembly and SwissProt using BLASTx of the contig sequence, and  
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41 BLASTp of TransDecoder Predicted Proteins. Among 200079 transcripts, 39934 (19.96%) were  
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43 classified under the GO term three categories: biological process, molecular function, and  
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45 cellular component (Fig. 1 A). Based on selected GO terms, related to integrins and extracellular  
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47 matrix, the analysis was performed at the second level for all transcripts of three main categories,  
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49 and the number of transcripts was shown on top of each column (Fig. 1 B).

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53 A Venn diagram demonstrates the distribution of transcriptional active contigs during early  
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55 development (Fig. 2). In the development process, the number of active transcripts increased in  
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57 comparison with that at the early stages, reaching maximum values at the trochophore and veliger  
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3 To determine primary expression trends in the mussel transcriptome profile, we  
4 compared the gene expression patterns of each transcript of proteins involved in cell adhesion (□  
5 and □ integrin-like proteins) between all tested developmental stages and found on a heat map  
6 that significant differences occurred in the expression of genes encoding integrin-like proteins  
7 during development (the expression level of these genes is marked by a color key) (Fig. 3).  
8 Expression of the  $\beta$ -A1 gene (c163688\_g2\_i1) was decreased when comparing egg to the  
9 following stages, indicating the reduction of maternal expression of over 6–9-fold, whereas  
10 expression of the  $\beta$ -A2 gene (c163688\_g2\_i2) began to increase gradually from the early  
11 embryonic stages (blastula stage) to early larval stages (veliger stage). In contrast, we observed  
12 low levels in the expression of both  $\beta$ -B genes (c164133\_g1\_i1 and c164133\_g1\_i2) during early  
13 mussel development (Fig. 3). The level of expression of  $\alpha$  integrin-like genes was very low (in  
14 comparison of that of some  $\beta$  integrin-like genes) showing the absence of maternal  $\alpha$  integrin-  
15 like mRNAs, with the exception of only one  $\alpha$  integrin-like gene, c168669\_g1\_i1 (Fig. 3). At  
16 each time point, the top (annotated) differentially expressed contigs indicated different biological  
17 processes were likely to be important at different time. Specifically, at the trochophore stage,  
18 mussel development, cytoskeleton processes and mitosis were the dominant differential  
19 processes (Dyachuk et al., 2015; Maiorova, Odintsova, 2015). Later, at the veliger stage, cell  
20 adhesion, DNA repair, immune response and RNA processing were most prominent (this study).  
21 Qualitative analysis of differentially expressed transcripts over the time course showed the  
22 highest number occurred at the veliger stage (70057 contigs), whereas the minimal number of  
23 transcripts occurred at the blastula stage (40583 contigs).

24 Database comparisons revealed that the mussel  $\beta$ -integrin-like proteins belong to different  
25 sub-groups (Table 2). Mussel  $\beta$ -A-integrin-like proteins were identified as possible orthologs of  
26 integrin  $\beta$ 1 from of the oyster *C. gigas*, whereas mussel  $\beta$ -B-integrin-like proteins were most  
27 closely related to oyster  $\beta$ 3-integrins. Among identified contigs, four full-length transcripts  
28 (2834, 2858, 3534 and 3649 bps) corresponding  $\beta$ -integrin-like proteins were found in embryos  
29 and larvae at the different developmental stages. All hallmarks of  $\beta$ -integrins are conserved in all

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3 sequences of the mussel  $\beta$ -integrin-like proteins: the cysteine-rich stalk of the extracellular  
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10 To assess the divergence of  $\beta$ -integrin-like subunits in Protostomes and Deuterostomes, a  
11 cladogram was constructed, showing the relationships among  $\beta$  integrin-like proteins of various  
12 animals (Fig. 4). The difference of the topologies of phylogenetic trees of amino acid sequences  
13 of  $\beta$ -integrin-like proteins of various animals constructed from the method of ML and the  
14 method of NJ was minimal; thus, we used the ML method.  $\beta$ -integrins of Protostomes clustered  
15 into one clade in which a plurality of sub-groups can be distinguished. The sequence of mussel  
16  $\beta$ -A integrin-like proteins showed a high degree of similarity to the sequence of oyster  $\beta$ 1-  
17 integrin (XP\_011419533.1) and the sequences of  $\beta$  integrin-like proteins in Gastropods, *Lottia*  
18 *gigantea* (V4AU86\_LOTGI), and *B. glabrata* (O96444\_BIOGL).  $\beta$  integrin-like proteins of  
19 other representatives of Lophotrochozoa, such as the lingulid brachiopod *Lingula anatina*  
20 (XP\_013415842.1), the polychaete *Capitella teleta* (X2BBV3\_CAPTE), and the freshwater  
21 leech *Helobdella robusta* (tr|T1E1Y7|T1E1Y7\_HELRO) were situated in the same group. The  
22 sequence of  $\beta$  integrin-like protein  $\beta$ -B of the mussel *M. trossulus* (c164133\_g1) together with  
23  $\beta$ 3-integrin sequences from the pearl oyster *Pinctada fucata* (G9JKY4\_PINFU) and the Pacific  
24 oyster *C. gigas* (XP\_011453738.1) formed a more distantly related group to the mussel  $\beta$ -A  
25 integrin-like proteins (c163688\_g2). It resulted in high bootstrap support values.  
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47 conservative domains, which are characteristic of integrins: integrin  $\alpha$ 2 superfamily domain and  
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54 The invertebrate species distribution of the top BLAST hits is given in Supplementary  
55 figure S3. Only species appearing in more than 0.5% of the BLAST hits are represented.  
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## 58 Discussion

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4 characterized proteins that have similar amino acid sequences. These homologous proteins can  
5 be identified in different organisms, despite the large phylogenetic distances.  
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10 More than 2000 mussel genes have two isoforms, and near 1000 mussel genes have five  
11 isoforms (Gerdol et al., 2015). This is not surprising as mussel populations have been previously  
12 reported to be characterized by an extremely high level of heterozygosity (Skibinski et al., 1980;  
13 Koehn, Gaffney, 1984; Mosquera et al., 2003). The mussel genome is presently estimated to  
14 contain 25000 genes (Murgarella et al., 2016), which is close in the size to the oyster genome  
15 (29353 genes) (Takeuchi et al., 2012; Takeuchi et al., 2016). This fact coincides with the data of  
16 other authors for marine molluscan genomes (Yoshida et al., 2011).  
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26 Typical of  $\beta$  integrin-like proteins consist of three different domains, which include the  
27 highly conserved extracellular domain. The presence of 56 conserved cysteine residues in the  
28 extracellular domain of all tested  $\beta$  integrin-like proteins (Hynes, 2012; our data) confirms the  
29 well-known fact that disulfide bonds in polypeptide chains of different proteins are mainly  
30 located on the outside of the membrane, providing the native structure of polypeptides and being  
31 critical for interactions between polypeptide chains (Bretscher, 1973).  $\beta$ -A transcripts  
32 corresponding predicted  $\beta$  integrin-like proteins appear to be the products of alternative splicing  
33 of the same gene  $\beta$ -A, whereas  $\beta$ -B transcripts resembling the oyster  $\beta$ 3-integrin seem to be a  
34 result of the allelic diversity of the gene  $\beta$ -B.  
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46  $\beta$ -integrin subunits in Spongia and Corals have been supported to be formed  
47 independently of each other, and a division into the integrin  $\beta$ -subunit classes in vertebrates  
48 occurred late in Evolution – likely in the Deuterostome subtaxon line only, and perhaps only  
49 within Chordates (Brower et al., 1997; Satoh, 2016). In contrast, other analyses resolve the  
50 divergence of  $\beta$  integrin-like subunits in invertebrates as occurs independently from the ancestral  
51 form in several lines of bilateral animals, and there are no orthologs of vertebrate  $\beta$ -integrins  
52 (Burke, 1999; Knack et al., 2008). Nevertheless,  $\beta$  integrin-like proteins of *Drosophila*, the  
53 nematode *Caenorhabditis elegans*, and the sea urchin *Strongylocentrotus purpuratus* show a  
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3 high degree of sequence similarity to the  $\beta$ -integrin subunit in vertebrates, and  $\beta$  integrin-like  
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5 proteins of these invertebrates are also involved in the development processes (Brabant, Brower,  
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7 1993; Gettner et al., 1995; Marsden, Burke, 1998).

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10 To understand variations in differential gene expression patterns between larvae and  
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12 adults, transcriptional activity has been studied in just a few animals, including some marine  
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14 invertebrates (Woods et al., 2004; Azumi et al., 2007; Williams et al., 2009; Conaco et al., 2012).  
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16 Our results have also demonstrated various expression patterns of genes associated with cell  
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18 adhesion and encoded integrin-like proteins throughout early development in Bivalves, both  $\alpha$   
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20 and  $\beta$  integrin-like subunits. In this study we examined the expression levels of some transcripts  
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24 integrin chains were expressed at a relatively low level during early mussel development,  
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26 whereas the expression levels of some  $\beta$  integrin-like subunits were found to be significantly  
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28 higher. A low expression level of  $\alpha$  integrin-like genes shows the absence of maternal  $\alpha$  integrin-  
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30 like mRNAs (with the exception of transcript c168669\_g2\_i1) and a high expression level of  $\beta$   
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32 integrin-like genes shows of the presence of maternal  $\beta$  integrin-like mRNAs. We assume that  
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34 these are, mainly,  $\beta$ -A1 transcripts (c163688\_g2\_i1) (based on the results presented in Fig. 3).  
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36 The previously obtained data on the presence of maternal integrin mRNAs was reported for  
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40 They indicate the importance of maternally programmed behavior of some cell adhesion  
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51 pathways, have been previously reported in the oyster genome (Zhang et al., 2012). Their active  
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53 expression was observed both in adult mollusks and during oyster development. In pathogen  
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**Figure legends:**

**Figure 1.** Functional annotation of assembled contigs in the mussel *M. trossulus* based on gene ontology (GO) categorization. GO analysis was performed at the second level for three main categories (cellular component, molecular function and biological process) (A) and for selected GO terms, related to integrins and extracellular matrix, in all three categories (B). The number of transcripts is shown on top of each column.

**Figure 2.** Venn diagram showing the overlap of transcriptionally active contigs (whose FPKMs  $\geq 1$  at least in one from the libraries) comparing different early developmental stages in the mussel *Mytilus trossulus*.

**Figure 3.** Heat map of quantitative gene expression of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  integrin-like transcripts during mussel development (in eggs, zygotes, embryos and early larvae). The level of expression is marked by a color key. Data obtained using HiSeq Sequencing.

**Figure 4.** Cladogram showing the relationships among  $\beta$  integrin-like proteins in Protostomes and Deuterostomes. Amino acid sequences were aligned, and a phylogenetic tree was made by the ML method using amino acid sequences for  $\beta$  integrin-like proteins of the species identified. The bootstrap values above 50% are marked on the tree branches. The branches tested in branch-sites tests of selection for  $\beta$  integrin-like proteins are indicated.

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**Supplementary material**

**Supplementary Table S1.** Details of the assembled libraries produced by the different sequencing runs. Quantitative evaluation of the data obtained MiSeq/HiSeq sequencing.

**Supplementary figure S2.** Amino acid sequences of mussel  $\beta$  integrin-like proteins ( $\beta$  A and  $\beta$  B) aligned with representative  $\beta$  integrin sequences: Human  $\beta$ 1 (HsItg $\beta$ 1; P05556); *Drosophila melanogaster*  $\beta$ -PS (P11584/ITBX\_DROME), oyster *C. gigas*  $\beta$ 1-integrin (XP\_011419533.1); oyster *C. gigas*  $\beta$ 3-integrin (XP\_011453738.1).

**Supplementary figure S3.** Invertebrate species distribution of the top BLAST hits. Only species appearing in more than 0.5% of the BLAST hits are represented.



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Number of contigs (>25000 bp)	1
Total length of contigs (bp)	5656866
Total length of contigs (>500 bp)	104471164
Average length of contig (bp)	728
Median length of contig (bp)	392
Largest contig (bp)	31400
GC (%) of contig	34.03
N50 (bp)	1126
N50 (subject only to the contigs >500 bp)	1804
L50 (subject only to the contigs >500 bp)	16377
% annotated contigs (NCBI/NR)	29,24
% annotated contigs (UniProt/TrEMBL)	29,99
% annotated contigs (Gene Ontology)	19,96

Species, degree of identity / similarity	<i>M.</i> <i>trossulus</i> , $\beta$ -A- integrin -like protein	<i>M.</i> <i>trossulus</i> , $\beta$ -B- integrin -like protein	<i>C.</i> <i>gigas</i> , $\beta$ 1-like integrin	<i>C.</i> <i>gigas</i> , $\beta$ 3- like integrin	<i>Lottia</i> <i>gigantea</i> , $\beta$ 1- integrin	<i>Lingula</i> <i>anatina</i> , $\beta$ -PS- like integrin	<i>Strongylo</i> <i>centrotus</i> <i>purpura-</i> <i>tus</i> , $\beta$ - integrin	<i>Branchio-</i> <i>stoma</i> <i>lance-</i> <i>olatum</i> , $\beta$ 1- integrin
<i>M.</i> <i>trossulus</i> , $\beta$ -A- integrin- like protein	100	38/54	54/70	33/52	54/71	52/68	39/57	41/60
<i>M.</i> <i>trossulus</i> , $\beta$ -B- integrin- like protein	38/54	100	35/52	46/62	37/55	39/57	34/51	35/52

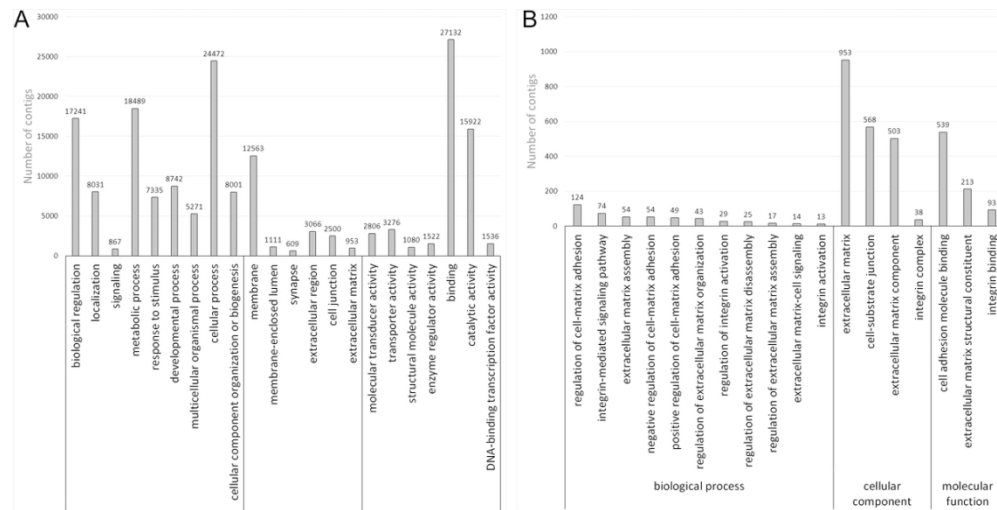


Figure 1. Functional annotation of assembled contigs in the mussel *M. trossulus* based on gene ontology (GO) categorization. GO analysis was performed at the second level for three main categories (cellular component, molecular function and biological process) (A) and for selected GO terms, related to integrins and extracellular matrix, in all three categories (B). The number of transcripts is shown on top of each column.

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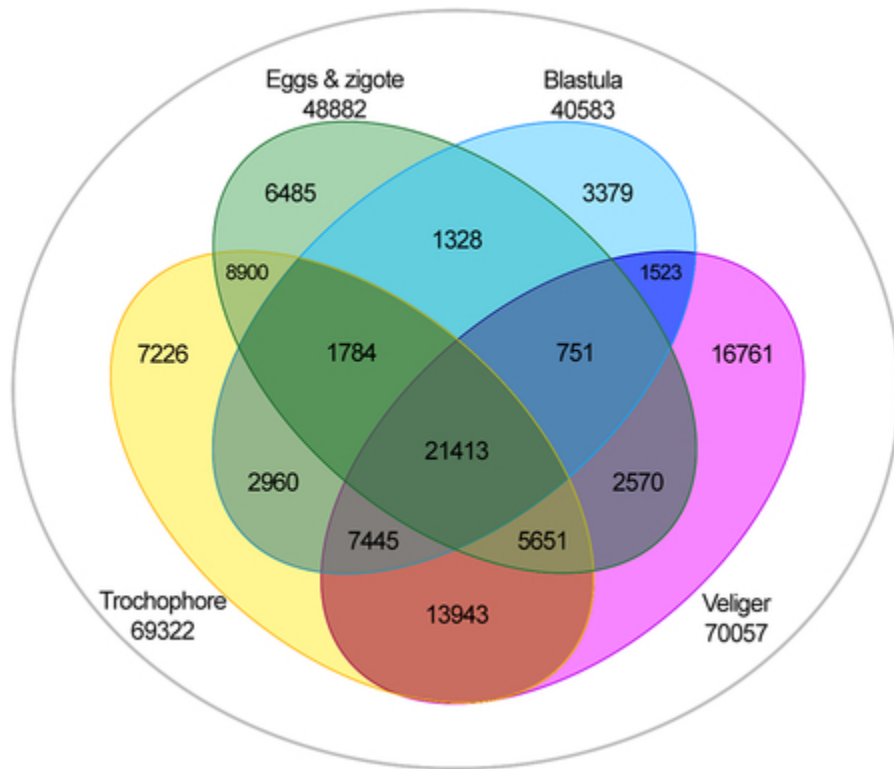


Figure 2. Venn diagram showing the overlap of transcriptionally active contigs (whose FPKMs  $\geq 1$  at least in one from the libraries) comparing different early developmental stages in the mussel *Mytilus trossulus*.

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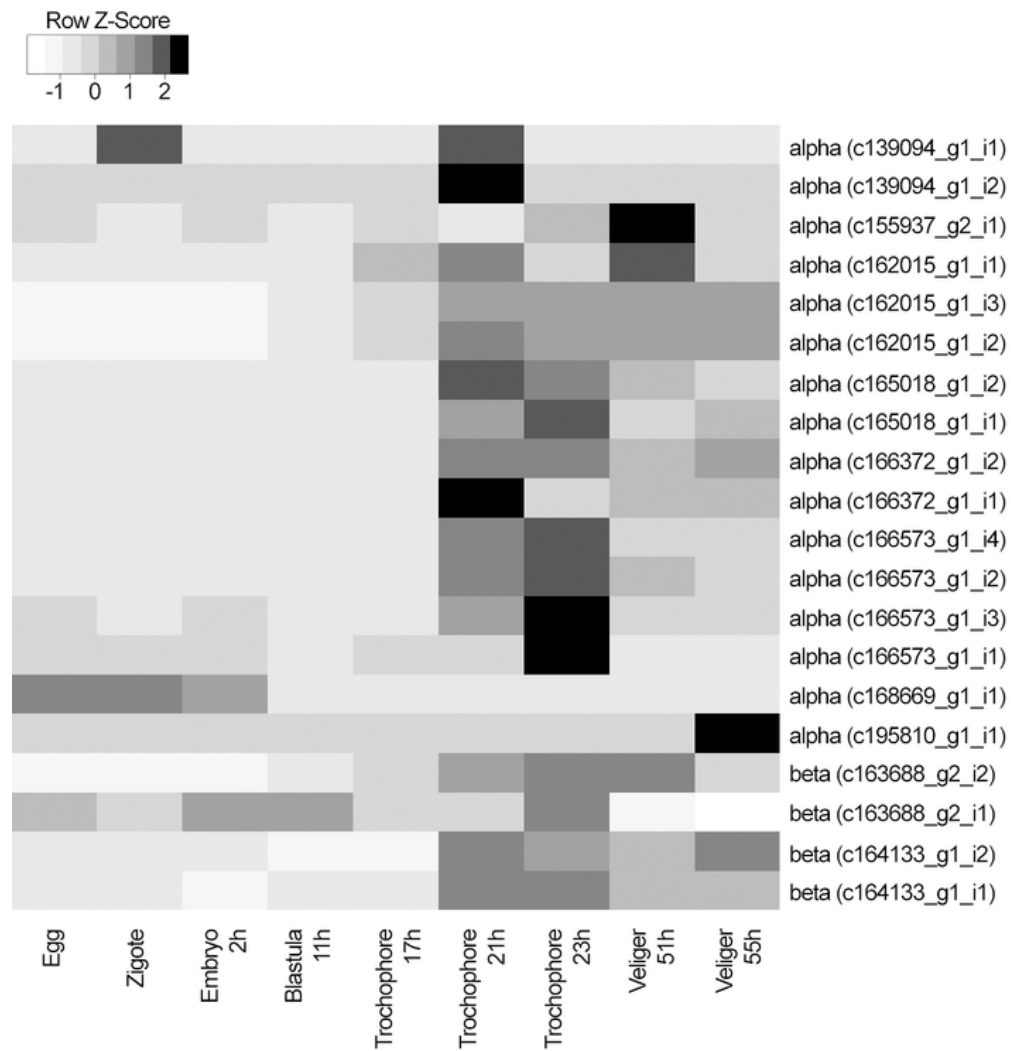


Figure 3. Heat map of quantitative gene expression of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  integrin-like transcripts during mussel development (in eggs, zygotes, embryos and early larvae). The level of expression is marked by a color key. Data obtained using HiSeq Sequencing.

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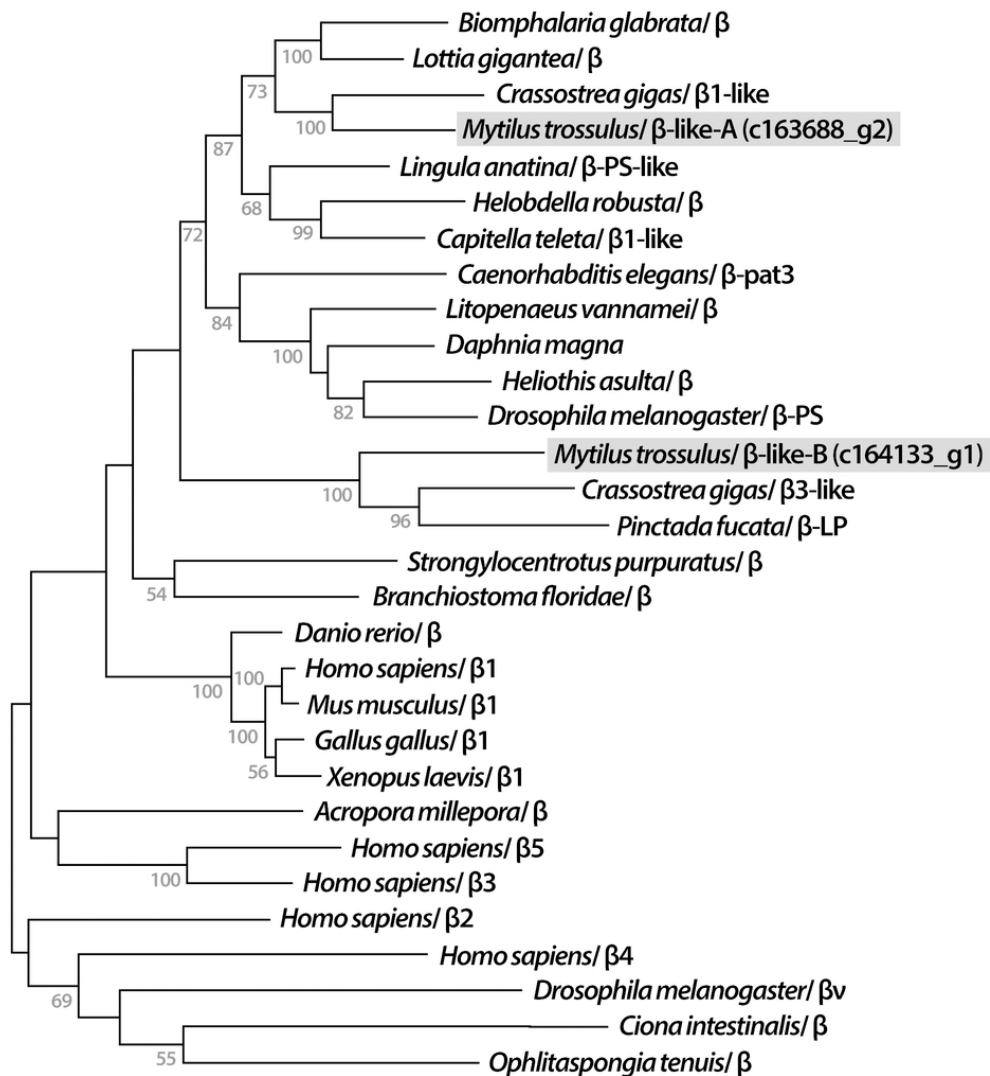


Figure 4. Cladogram showing the relationships among beta integrin-like proteins in Protostomes and Deuterostomes. Amino acid sequences were aligned, and a phylogenetic tree was made by the ML method using amino acid sequences for beta integrin-like proteins of the species identified. The bootstrap values above 50% are marked on the tree branches. The branches tested in branch-sites tests of selection for beta integrin-like proteins are indicated.

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**Table S1.** Details of the assembled libraries produced by the different sequencing runs. Quantitative evaluation of the data obtained MiSeq/HiSeq sequencing

Sample	concentration of cDNA libraries, nM	the average fragment length, bp	Number of reads		The percentage of reads used for the assembly of the transcriptome, %		The percentage of reads used for the analysis of quantitative expression, %		The percentage of reads successfully mapped at the transcriptome, %	
			MiSeq	HiSeq	MiSeq	HiSeq	MiSeq	HiSeq	MiSeq	HiSeq
Eggs	270,80	447	3088489	24463500	79,5	79,3	90,5	58,6	58,5	
Fertilization eggs	35,10	409	2869307	27053170	77,4	77,3	90,0	62,2	62,2	
Cleaving embryos, 2 h	350,82	485	4267044	25170927	91,0	90,8	89,5	57,6	56,6	
Blastula, 11 h	110,42	410	2692405	25734753	78,0	78,0	90,3	62,7	62,7	
Trochophore, 17 h	94,17	417	2289399	23263384	78,0	78,0	89,8	62,2	62,1	
Trochophore, 21 h	64,94	426	2929434	32987911	76,4	76,3	89,6	62,9	62,7	
Trochophore, 23 h	432,93	463	4371898	18494295	89,8	89,6	88,9	61,6	61,0	
Trochophore, 24 h	343,86	490	2853912	20215770	79,6	79,5	92,4	59,9	59,7	
Veliger, 51 h	82,80	445	3793360	17114374	77,6	77,6	93,3	62,4	62,2	
Veliger, 55 h	440,75	481	5644674	30675844	81,7	81,5	92,6	61,9	62,1	
Adductor	57,01	480	1062211	25895022	84,9	84,9	92,0	73,4	72,9	
Gills	60,23	487	1082172	18020820	84,1	84,1	91,8	64,7	62,3	

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5	Digestive gland	46,91	404	802017	19894536	85,5	85,5	93,9	66,2	64,6
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7	Mantle	28,41	436	989591	28220848	83,0	83,0	93,1	72,9	70,8
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9	Hemocytes	34,44	401	793843	15570065	85,9	85,8	94,5	62,6	61,1
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