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[Thread] Wang et al. (2021):

Another article revealing trips to the Mojiang mine and Laos was kept in the limbo when the pandemic started.

**Note: The article covers HKU10 viruses which are not related with SARS-like**

It was "received" by the journal on 30 July 2021, but the sequences were accessioned in Genbank on 17-SEP-2019. So it seems that this article may have prior rejections or have been withdrawn from other journals.

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### Genomic Characterization of Diverse Bat Coronavirus HKU10 in Hipposideros Bats

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One of the samples is 4996 (note that RaTG13 = 4991).

There is a small discrepancy: 4991 was collected on 24-Jul-13 but this one on 21-Jul-13.

4996 is 100% identical to MJ\_67C (from HKU team when they went to Mojiang) and clusters with 3723 (Mojiang).

<https://t.co/XqMEyEi45T>

## UNVERIFIED: Bat coronavirus HKU10 isolate YN4996 genomic sequence

GenBank: MN477902.1

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JOURNAL    Viruses 13 (10), 1962 (2021)
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Btw, 3740 (Mojiang) and 7345 also cluster together, supporting that 7345 is from Tongguan/Mojiang as we already deduced a year ago.

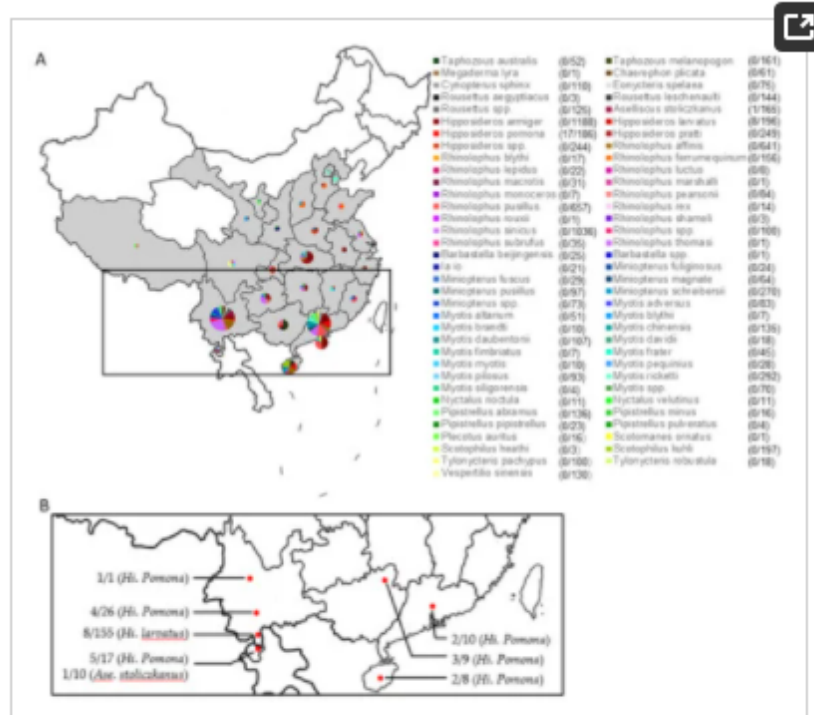
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- Timeline of relevant visits to Yunnan for 2012-2015
- Probable samples from the mineshaft for 2014-2015 (detail and summary) [pic.twitter.com/wNf3rWDCtQ](https://pic.twitter.com/wNf3rWDCtQ)

The article does not explicitly say they collected samples from Mojiang, although the low-res map confirms it.

### 3.1. Prevalence of BtCoV HKU10

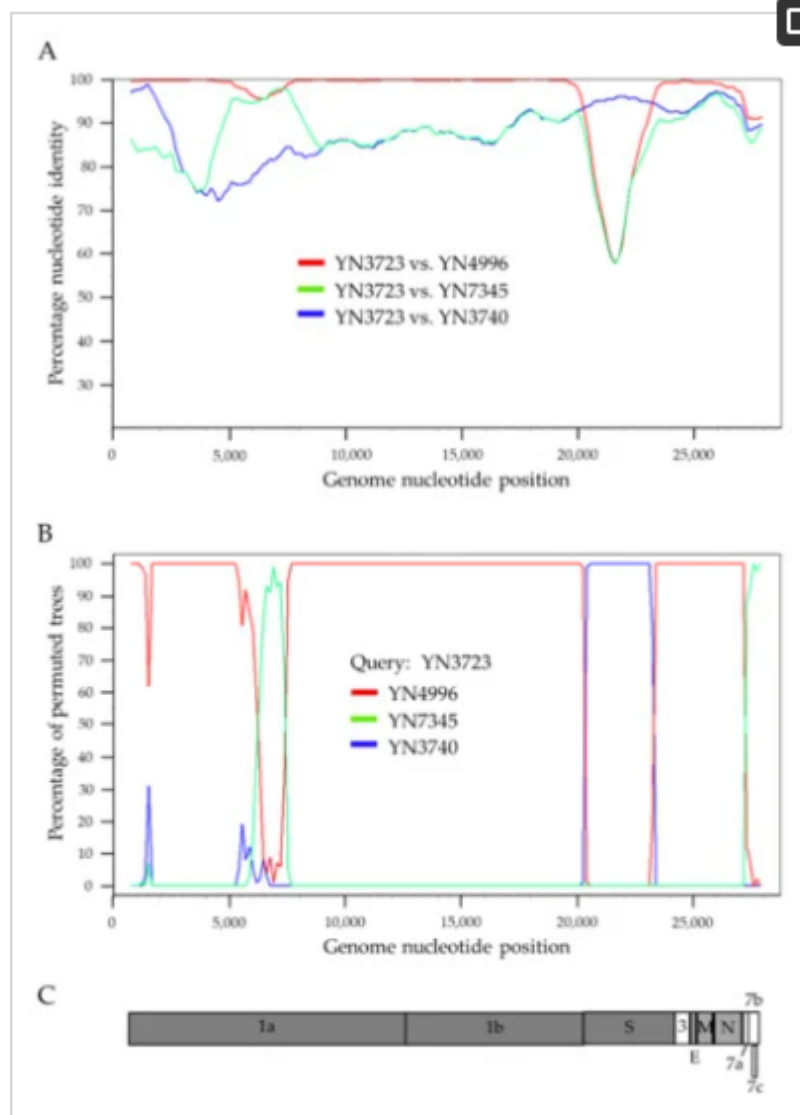
A total of 8004 fecal specimens were collected from 25 provinces in China and Louang Namtha province in Laos (Figure 1A). These bats belonged to 69 bat species of 6 bat families according to morphological or molecular identification. By RT-PCR and sequencing, we found 26 were positive for BtCoV HKU10 (Figure 1B and Supplementary Table S2). All positive samples were from three bat species: *Aselliscus stoliczkanus* (1/165), *Hipposideros larvatus* (8/196), and *H. pomona* (17/186) collected in southern and southwestern provinces of China (Yunnan, Guangxi, Guangdong and Hainan) and Louang Namtha province of Laos. We did not find any BtCoV-HKU10 or related viruses from 144 *R. leschenaultia* samples. Neither cytopathic effect nor viral replication was detected, indicating the failure of virus isolation.



**Figure 1.** Locations of sampling (A) and BtCoV HKU10 positives (B). Sampling locations are in gray and bat species are listed in color. BtCoV HKU10 positives are marked in square (A) and in red dot (B).

It is very surprising to see how they studied recombination events of 3 HKU10 viruses in the Mojiang mine (not mentioning the location) while showing great disregard for the SARS-like viruses also from there by not studying them at all.

Do you believe it?



**Figure 5.** Evidence of recombination in BtCoV HKU10s. Similarity (A) (window of 40 nt, step size of 40 nt) and recombination (B) (window of 1500 nt, step size of 150 nt) plots were generated using Simplot (V3.5.1) with default settings. Full-length genome sequence of YN3723 was used as query sequence and YN3740, YN4996 and YN7345 as reference sequences. All analyses were performed with Kimura model, a window size of 1500 base pairs, and a step size of 150 base pairs. The map of query genome sequences (C) are used to position breakpoints.

Other BtCoV HKU10 were also screened for evidence of potential recombination events. However, no significant recombination breakpoint among these viruses and other HKU10 strains.

And we can now confirm Laos location for Latinne et al. (2020) <https://t.co/CQqIY5xZAb>

Samples of Laos of Latinne et al. (2020) probably from Luang Namtha (same as what they said in a WIV thesis). Not far from BANAL location

— Francisco de Asis (@franciscodeasis) September 23, 2021

This author Wang is the 2nd author of Ge et al. (2016), who published 4991. Her thesis is the precursor of this article and also of Wang et al. (2019).

<https://t.co/0C4Lw1VkrN>

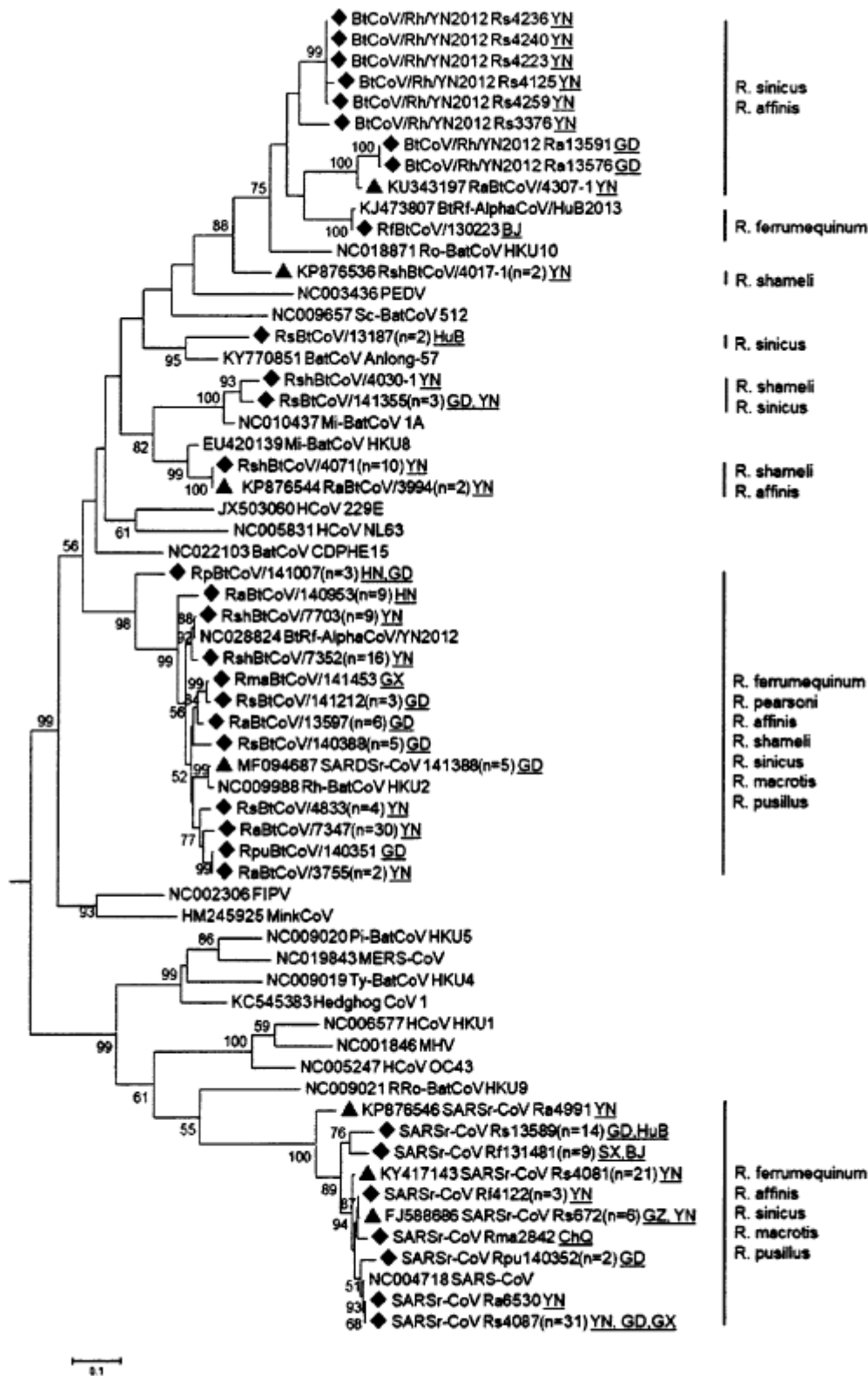


图 3.2 以菊头蝠中检测到的冠状病毒 RdRp 序列 (327-bp) 构建的系统进化树。

Another interesting thing: Wang appears again as affiliated to WIV. Did she ended her academic stay with Shibo Jiang in NY? Or maybe it is because this is an "old" article?

LBZ is also a co-author. But only one accession acknowledge him as collector (HN140937 from Hainan)

<https://t.co/rJbP78MGv>

## UNVERIFIED: Bat coronavirus HKU10 isolate HN140937 genomic sequence

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Famous 2013FY113500 grant and PREDICT grants again:

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Apparently all accessions are now released because the accessions immediately before and after this range are published and used by other teams (MN477898 and MN477916).

But who knows, there could be interesting emails like those of Ben Hu regarding the delay of Latinne's seqs.

The records were not released when the article was published. I asked NCBI staff to release them since the article was finally published.

Are there more articles in the limbo or more sequences accessioned before the pandemic but not released yet?

What happened between 26-Oct-14 and 03-Nov-14? and after going to Laos? back to the mine? (6th trip)

There are some gaps of IDs, e.g. between last ID from Laos (7590) and 1st ID from the mine (7683). 92 samples is more than the average outcome for a day.

<https://t.co/8J00bs8uwj>



Viruses	Accession	Genera	Specie	Cite	Group	seq	EH seq	custom r	cl	car	cave name	cave provi	cave region	collectio	collect	
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Bat coronavirus HKU10 isolate 7557	MN312311	Alphacoronavirus	HKU10	Latinne et al. (2020), Wang et al. (2021)	WIV+EcoH+DNUS			7557	LA	LA	LA	Luang Namtho	Laos	Laos Border	03-Nov-14	
Rousettus bat coronavirus HKU9 isolate 7558	MN312620	Betacoronavirus	HKU9	Latinne et al. (2020)	WIV+EcoH+DNUS			7558	LA	LA	LA	Luang Namtho	Laos	Laos Border	03-Nov-14	
Rousettus bat coronavirus HKU9 isolate 7559	MN312621	Betacoronavirus	HKU9	Latinne et al. (2020)	WIV+EcoH+DNUS			7559	LA	LA	LA	Luang Namtho	Laos	Laos Border	03-Nov-14	
Bat coronavirus HKU10 isolate 7560	MN312312	Alphacoronavirus	HKU10	Latinne et al. (2020), Wang et al. (2021)	WIV+EcoH+DNUS			7560	LA	LA	LA	Luang Namtho	Laos	Laos Border	03-Nov-14	
Miniopterus bat coronavirus HKU8 isolate 756	MN312313	Alphacoronavirus	HKU8	Latinne et al. (2020)	WIV+EcoH+DNUS			7562	LA	LA	LA	Luang Namtho	Laos	Laos Border	03-Nov-14	
Bat coronavirus GCDC1 isolate 7564	MN312622	Betacoronavirus	GCDCD1	Latinne et al. (2020)	WIV+EcoH+DNUS			7564	LA	LA	LA	Luang Namtho	Laos	Laos Border	03-Nov-14	
Bat coronavirus HKU10 isolate 7565	MN312314	Alphacoronavirus	HKU10	Latinne et al. (2020), Wang et al. (2021)	WIV+EcoH+DNUS			7565	LA	LA	LA	Luang Namtho	Laos	Laos Border	03-Nov-14	
Bat coronavirus GCDC1 isolate 7566	MN312623	Betacoronavirus	GCDCD1	Latinne et al. (2020)	WIV+EcoH+DNUS			7566	LA	LA	LA	Luang Namtho	Laos	Laos Border	03-Nov-14	
Rousettus bat coronavirus HKU9 isolate 7569	MN312624	Betacoronavirus	HKU9	Latinne et al. (2020)	WIV+EcoH+DNUS			7569	LA	LA	LA	Luang Namtho	Laos	Laos Border	Nov-14	
Bat betacoronavirus isolate 7570	MN312625	Betacoronavirus	Lineage	Latinne et al. (2020)	WIV+EcoH+DNUS			7570	LA	LA	LA	Luang Namtho	Laos	Laos Border	Nov-14	
Rousettus bat coronavirus HKU9 isolate 7575	MN312626	Betacoronavirus	HKU9	Latinne et al. (2020)	WIV+EcoH+DNUS			7575	LA	LA	LA	Luang Namtho	Laos	Laos Border	Nov-14	
Rousettus bat coronavirus HKU9 isolate 7579	MN312627	Betacoronavirus	HKU9	Latinne et al. (2020)	WIV+EcoH+DNUS			7579	LA	LA	LA	Luang Namtho	Laos	Laos Border	Nov-14	
Rousettus bat coronavirus HKU9 isolate 7585	MN312628	Betacoronavirus	HKU9	Latinne et al. (2020)	WIV+EcoH+DNUS			7585	LA	LA	LA	Luang Namtho	Laos	Laos Border	Nov-14	
Rousettus bat coronavirus HKU9 isolate 7587	MN312629	Betacoronavirus	HKU9	Latinne et al. (2020)	WIV+EcoH+DNUS			7587	LA	LA	LA	Luang Namtho	Laos	Laos Border	Nov-14	
Rousettus bat coronavirus HKU9 isolate 7588	MN312630	Betacoronavirus	HKU9	Latinne et al. (2020)	WIV+EcoH+DNUS			7588	LA	LA	LA	Luang Namtho	Laos	Laos Border	Nov-14	
Bat coronavirus HKU10 isolate 7589	MN312315	Alphacoronavirus	HKU10	Latinne et al. (2020)	WIV+EcoH+DNUS			7589	LA	LA	LA	Luang Namtho	Laos	Laos Border	Nov-14	
Rousettus bat coronavirus HKU9 isolate 7590	MN312631	Betacoronavirus	HKU9	Latinne et al. (2020)	WIV+EcoH+DNUS			7590	LA	LA	LA	Luang Namtho	Laos	Laos Border	Nov-14	
Bat coronavirus 1 isolate 7683	MN312316	Alphacoronavirus	1	Latinne et al. (2020)	WIV+EcoH+DNUS			7683	CN	YN	TG	Tongguan	Yunnan	Southern	Nov-14	
Bat coronavirus 1 isolate 7694	MN312317	Alphacoronavirus	1	Latinne et al. (2020)	WIV+EcoH+DNUS			7694	CN	YN	TG	Tongguan	Yunnan	Southern	Nov-14	
Rhinolophus bat coronavirus HKU2 isolate 770	MN312318	Alphacoronavirus	HKU2	Latinne et al. (2020)	WIV+EcoH+DNUS			7700	CN	YN	TG	Tongguan	Yunnan	Southern	Nov-14	
Rhinolophus bat coronavirus HKU2 isolate 770	MN312319	Alphacoronavirus	HKU2	Wang et al. (2019), Latinne et al. (2020)	WIV+EcoH			7703	CN	YN	TG	Tongguan	Yunnan	Southern	Nov-14	

the 589 samples of BIGD have some of the typical mistakes an intern would made when doing a manually, repetitive and boring work. But it is specially strange the mistake for the collection date of 7683, 7694, 7700 & 7703 (Jul-14 instead of somewhere between Oct-14 and May-15)

— Francisco de Asis (@franciscodeasis) July 9, 2020



## 2. Materials and Methods

### 2.1. Ethics Statement

All sampling procedures were performed by veterinarians with approval from Animal Ethics Committee of the Wuhan Institute of Virology (WIVH05210201, approved on 9 July 2012). The study was conducted in accordance with the Guide for the Care and Use of Wild Mammals in Research of the People's Republic of China.

### 2.2. Sampling

Bat **sampleings** were conducted from September 2006 to June 2016, as described previously [17,26]. Bat fecal swab and pellet samples were collected at different seasons in 25 provinces in China **and one province in northern Laos adjacent to Yunnan province of China.**

### 2.3. RNA Extraction, PCR Screening, and Sequencing

Viral RNA was extracted from **fecal swab or pellet samples** with High Pure Viral RNA Kit (Roche Diagnostics GmbH, Mannheim, Germany) as per the manufacturer's instructions. RNA was eluted in 50 µL of Elution buffer, aliquoted, and stored at -80 °C. A one-step heminested RT-PCR (Invitrogen, San Diego, CA, USA) (Table S1), targeting a 440 nucleotide (nt) fragment of RNA-dependent RNA polymerase (RdRp), was employed to detect the presence of coronavirus sequences, as described previously [27]. PCR products were gel purified and sequenced with an ABI Prism 3730 DNA analyzer (Applied Biosystems, Foster City, CA, USA). Alternatively, the PCR products were cloned into pGEM-T Easy Vector (Promega, Madison, WI, USA) for sequencing. The positive samples in this study were classified using the abbreviated name of sampling location followed by sample ID (e.g., YN3723).

To confirm the bat species of an individual sample, we performed PCR to amplify the cytochrome b (Cytob) or NADH dehydrogenase subunit 1 (ND1) gene using DNA extracted from the feces or swabs [28,29]. The gene sequences were assembled excluding the primer sequences; BLASTN was used to identify host species based on the most closely related sequences with highest query coverage and a minimum identity of 95%.

There was also a sub-trip to Laos border within the 5th visit (80km from TG). Those samples are presented as from Laos in Genbank, and are not present in Bigd.

But Latinnet et al. (2020) was very clear: "solely from China"<https://t.co/f45nzLS7DU><https://t.co/wqyPJgUE4r>  
[pic.twitter.com/ydwZIDTyZS](https://t.co/pic.twitter.com/ydwZIDTyZS)

— Francisco de Asis (@franciscodeasis) November 28, 2020

Wang et al. (2021) acknowledge no *Rhinolophus affinis* from Laos contradicting PREDICT and EHA data:  
<https://t.co/bDuSIQh0Qn>

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	AA	AB	AC	
1			Supplementary Table S2. Detection of HKU10 in bats by RT-PCR																											
2		Bats	No. of bats positive for HKU10 / No. of bats tested																											
3		Family, genus, and specific	Gansu	Xizai	Ning	Beijin	Tianj	Hebi	Hen	Shan	Shan	Shaa	Hube	Hun	Sichu	Chon	Anhi	Fujiar	Jiang	Jiang	Zhej	Guizh	Yunnan	Guangxi	Hainan	Guangdong	Macao	Laos	Total (%)	
23		Rhinolophidae	0/1	0/3		0/5		0/47	0/14	0/49	0/86		0/51	0/16	0/52	0/148	0/40	0/69	0/74	0/14	0/45	0/356	0/1226	0/147	0/337	0/947	0/537	0/27	0/5042	
24		Aselliscus																				0/155						1/10 (10%)	1/165 (0.6%)	
25		Aselliscus stoliczkanus																				0/155						1/10 (10%)	1/165 (0.6%)	
26		Hipposideros						0/144					0/40	0/92	0/12	0/127	0/40	0/14		0/14	0/28	0/131	0/123	0/55	0/140	0/401	0/317	0/17	25/2063 (1.3%)	
27		Hipposideros armiger						0/44					0/28	0/87	0/2		0/40	0/14		0/5	0/6	0/68	0/72	0/18	0/14	0/219	0/317		0/1188	
28		Hipposideros larvatus													0/2								8/24 (33%)	0/28	0/92	0/50			8/196 (4.1%)	
29		Hipposideros pomona																				5/27 (19%)	3/9	2/25 (8%)	2/108 (1.9%)		5/17 (35%)	17/186 (9.7%)		
30		Hipposideros pratti										0/12	0/5						0/9	0/22	0/63					0/24		0/249		
31		Hipposideros spp.						0/100					0/10	0/125										0/9				0/244		
32		Rhinolophus	0/1	0/3	0/5		0/47	0/4	0/49	0/86		0/11	0/73	0/40	0/21		0/55	0/74		0/17	0/225	0/948	0/92	0/197	0/546	0/220		0/2814		
33		Rhinolophus affinis						0/4					0/50	0/4				0/24	0/14	0/16	0/291		0/145	0/93				0/641		
34		Rhinolophus blythi											0/15									0/1			0/1			0/17		
35		Rhinolophus ferrumequin	0/1			0/5		0/35	0/23	0/86							0/1					0/5						0/156		
36		Rhinolophus lepidus																0/21			0/1							0/22		
37		Rhinolophus luctus																			0/1			0/1	0/6			0/8		
38		Rhinolophus macrotis						0/8					0/1	0/3				0/2		0/3					0/14			0/31		
39		Rhinolophus marshalli																					0/1					0/1		
40		Rhinolophus monoceros																				0/7						0/7		
41		Rhinolophus pearsonii	0/3										0/7				0/2		0/34	0/13					0/25			0/84		
42		Rhinolophus pusillus					0/4		0/26				0/1				0/23	0/14		0/12	0/30	0/70	0/42	0/215	0/220			0/657		
43		Rhinolophus rex											0/1		0/2					0/9	0/2							0/14		
44		Rhinolophus rouxi												0/1														0/1		
45		Rhinolophus shameli																				0/3						0/3		
46		Rhinolophus sinicus										0/45	0/57	0/40			0/8	0/34		0/2	0/150	0/482	0/17	0/9	0/192			0/1036		
47		Rhinolophus spp.												0/18								0/78	0/4					0/100		
48		Rhinolophus subrufus																				0/35						0/35		
49		Rhinolophus thomasi																				0/1						0/1		

Other interesting things:

- 11 Ra samples <500km from the mine, in Laos in 2011
- sometimes they make mistakes mixing decimal and sexagesimal system for GPS coord.
- Some Nanling samples incorrectly geolocated in Kunming (e.g. NL13807) [pic.twitter.com/9gavnAm90w](https://pic.twitter.com/9gavnAm90w)

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(which is just after the 7th trip to Mojiang)

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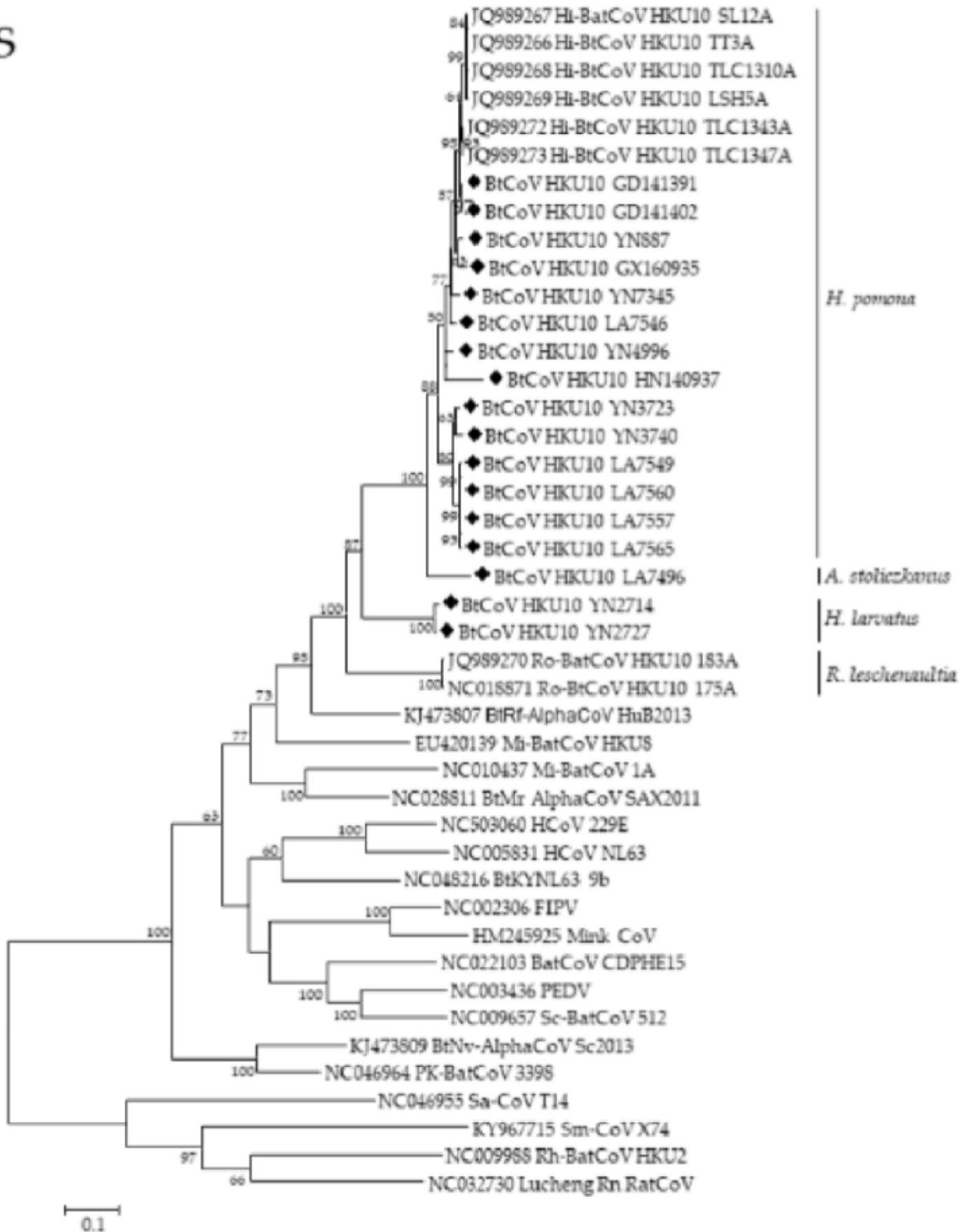
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Not easy to extrapolate HKU10 to SARS-like viruses, but see how viruses from Mojiang and Luang Namtha tend to cluster very close and even sandwiched.

e.g.: YN7345, LA7546 and YN4996

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To end, just a reminder of the case of Latinne et al. (2020) <https://t.co/F1XNupaGhl>

[Thread] FOIA from @USRightToKnow regarding Latinne et al. (2020) and clade 7896

TLDR: No sequence was deleted/modified since Aug-2019, but it seems they wanted to buy time for not publishing the viruses very early in the pandemic. <https://t.co/xEssWNv5TY>

I missed this one:

"cave"

### 3.4. Recombination Analysis

The full-length genome sequences of BtCoV HKU10s were screened for potential recombination events as previously described. Briefly, the sequences were scanned sequentially by a bootscan algorithm and similarity plot analysis. Multiple potential recombination events were observed at ORF1a and S gene (Figure 5). YN3723 was likely to be a recombinant strain from three HKU10s (YN3740, YN4996, and YN7345) discovered in the same cave in Yunnan province, with strong  $p$ -value ( $<10^{-32}$ ). Breakpoints were identified in the genome of YN3723 at nt 20,275 and 23,265, between which encoded the C-terminal of pp1ab, S1 subunit and N-terminal of S2 subunit of S protein. On, the strain YN3723 was highly similar (95% nt identity) to the strain YN3740. Meanwhile, in the upstream sequence from nt 20,275, YN3723 displayed the highest genetic similarity (99% nt identity) to that of the strain YN4996.