

International Oat Genome, Chromosome, Gene, and Gene Model Nomenclature

The International Oat Nomenclature Committee

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The recent publication of whole-genome sequence assemblies for the wild *Avena* diploids *A. atlantica*, *A. eriantha*, *A. longiglumis*, and tetraploid *A. insularis*, along with the hexaploid oat cultivars 'OT3098', 'Sang', and 'Sanfensan', has necessitated the formulation of an internationally accepted system for naming *Avena* spp. genomes, chromosomes, genes, and gene models. These nomenclature rules, along with notes of the IONC meetings where these rules were adopted, can be found on the GrainGenes website at (QR code 1 below) <https://wheat.pw.usda.gov/GG3/oatnomenclature> and in Jellen, et al. (2024) at (QR code 2) <https://www.publish.csiro.au/cp/Fulltext/CP23247>.

An example of a Gene Model Identifier: AVESA.00010a.r1.4D.G0792660.1

AVESA = <i>Avena sativa</i> (AACCDD group)	00010a = germplasm code; 'a' signifies the first round of annotation	r1 = release version 1	4D = chromosome 4D	0792660 = gene number in position order	1 = isoform or splice variant
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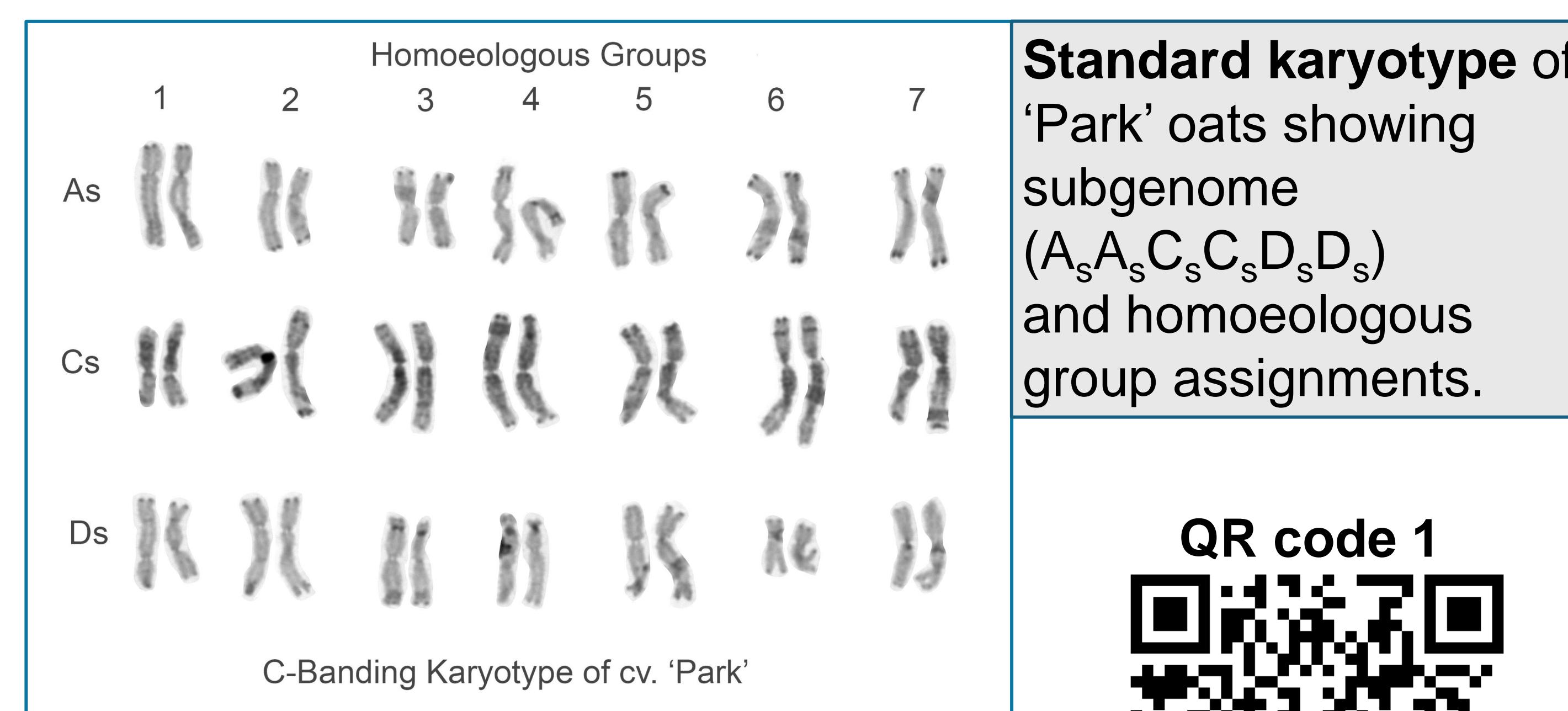
Chromosome and linkage-group correspondences				
Consensus map Chaffin, et al. 2016	Sanz, et al. 2010	Diploid WGAs Maughan, et al. 2019	NEW 2x designation	NEW 6x designation Kamal, et al. 2022
Genome/subgenome A				
Mrg18 (-)	17A	AA2 (+)	1A _a	1A _s
Mrg33 (+)	15A	AA5 (-)	2A _a	2A _s
Mrg23 (+)	11A	AA3 (+)	3A _a	3A _s
Mrg20 (+)	19A	AA4 (-)	4A _a	4A _s
Mrg24 (+)	8A	AA6 (-)	5A _a	5A _s
Mrg05 (+)	16A	AA7 (-)	6A _a	6A _s
Mrg12 (+)	13A	AA1 (-)	7A _a	7A _s
Genome/subgenome C				
Mrg28 (-)	7C	AE5 (+)	1C _e	1C _s
Mrg13 (+)	5C	AE4 (-)	2C _e	2C _s
Mrg15 (-)	2C	AE3 (-)	3C _e	3C _s
Mrg11 (+)	1C	AE1 (-)	4C _e	4C _s
Mrg03 (-)	4C	AE6 (-)	5C _e	5C _s
Mrg17 (-)	3C	AE2 (-)	6C _e	6C _s
Mrg09 (-)	6C	AE7 (-)	7C _e	7C _s
Genome/subgenome D				
Mrg01 (-)	14D	--	--	1D _s
Mrg08 (-)	12D	--	--	2D _s
Mrg19 (+)	21D	--	--	3D _s
Mrg21 (+)	20D	--	--	4D _s
Mrg06 (-)	10D	--	--	5D _s
Mrg04 (-)	18D	--	--	6D _s
Mrg02 (-)	9D	--	--	7D _s

Examples of oat genotype assignments. As new strains are sequenced, numerical designators should be assigned in consultation with the IONC and the GrainGenes coordinator.

Genotype	Taxon	Species Code	Number
OT3098	<i>sativa</i>	AVESA	00001x
GMI 423	<i>sativa</i>	AVESA	00002x
Bingo	<i>sativa</i>	AVESA	00003x
AAC Nicolas	<i>sativa</i>	AVESA	00009x
Sang	<i>sativa</i>	AVESA	00010x
Park	<i>sativa</i>	AVESA	00017x
Sanfensan	<i>sativa</i> ssp. <i>nuda</i>	AVESA	00400x
PI 182478	<i>sativa</i> ssp. <i>nuda</i>	AVESA	00401x
Victoria	<i>byzantina</i>	AVESA	00501x
CN 25955	<i>fatua</i>	AVESA	00600x
Tn1	<i>sterilis</i>	AVESA	00700x
Tn5	<i>sterilis</i>	AVESA	00701x
PI 388828	<i>barbata</i>	AVBAR	10000x
PI 411152	<i>abyssinica</i>	AVBAR	10001x
BYU 209	<i>insularis</i>	AVINS	12000x
CN 58139	<i>longiglumis</i>	AVLON	23001x
Amagalon	<i>magna</i> X <i>longiglumis</i>	AVSYN	30000x
CN 19328	<i>eriantha</i>	AVERI	25000x
Cc7277	<i>atlantica</i>	AVATL	20001x

Correspondence between species codes, genome and subgenome formulae, and *Avena* taxa. Codes are based on the biological species concept.

Species Code	Genome	Avena taxa	Genotype ID Codes
AVESA	A _s A _s C _s C _s D _s D _s	<i>byzantina</i> , <i>fatua</i> , <i>hybrida</i> , <i>occidentalis</i> , <i>sativa</i> , <i>sterilis</i>	00001-09999
AVBAR	A _b A _b BB	<i>abyssinica</i> , <i>barbata</i> , <i>vaviloviana</i>	10000-10999
AVAGA	A'A'B'B' (TBD)	<i>agadiriana</i>	11000-11999
AVINS	C _i C _i D _i D _i	<i>insularis</i>	12000-12999
AVMAG	C _m C _m D _m D _m	<i>magna</i> , <i>maroccana</i>	13000-13999
AVMUR	C _y C _y D _y D _y	<i>murphyi</i>	14000-14999
AVMAC	EEEE	<i>macrostachya</i>	15000-15999
AVATL	A _a A _a (plus auto-tetraploids)	<i>atlantica</i> , <i>brevis</i> , <i>hirtula</i> , <i>nuda</i> , <i>strigosa</i> , <i>wiestii</i>	20000-20999
AVCAN	A _c A _c	<i>canariensis</i>	21000-21999
AVDAM	A _d A _d	<i>damascena</i>	22000-22999
AVLON	A _I A _I	<i>longiglumis</i>	23000-23999
AVPRO	A _p A _p	<i>prostrata</i>	24000-24999
AVERI	C _e C _e	<i>clauda</i> , <i>eriantha</i> , <i>pilosa</i>	25000-25999
AVVEN	C _v C _v	<i>bruhnsiana</i> , <i>vaviloviana</i>	26000-26999
AVSYN	Various synthetic allopolyploids		30000+



Standard karyotype of 'Park' oats showing subgenome (A_sA_sC_sC_sD_sD_s) and homoeologous group assignments.



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