

1 **Range size variably predicts genetic diversity in *Gehyra* geckos**

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51 **Abstract**

52 Genetic diversity is a fundamental population genetic parameter, and predicts adaptive  
53 capacity. Neutral theory predicts a positive correlation between population (or range) size and  
54 genetic diversity, but this can be confounded by other demographic processes. To investigate  
55 the role of range size, population fluctuation and introgression in determining genetic diversity,  
56 we generate and analyse population-level, genomic-scale SNP data from 21 species of  
57 Australian *Gehyra* geckos (769 samples) that vary in range size over three orders of magnitude.  
58 Using a best-practice approach to estimate SNP-based heterozygosity, we found a significantly  
59 positive overall correlation between range size and heterozygosity, although with a shallow  
60 slope ( $R^2 = 0.30$ ), consistent with Lewontin's Paradox. At a clade level, we show a stronger  
61 relationship between range size and heterozygosity in the *australis* group ( $R^2 = 0.74$ ,  $p < 0.01$ )  
62 than the *nana* group ( $R^2 = 0.15$ , n.s.). A significantly negative correlation between Tajima's D  
63 and range size in both groups, and evidence for introgression in the *nana* group, suggest a role  
64 for both population fluctuation and introgression in driving deviations from theoretical  
65 expectations. Our results provide insight into the biological and demographic processes that  
66 influence genetic diversity, in addition to neutral expectations.

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## 76 **Introduction**

77 Genetic diversity is the principal indicator of genetic health and adaptive capacity in natural  
78 populations, and informs our understanding of recent and historical demography of populations  
79 and species. Many studies have highlighted the importance of measuring and maintaining  
80 genetic diversity in conservation (e.g., (García-Dorado & Caballero, 2021; Kardos et al., 2021),  
81 including as a component of the United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity (Hoban et  
82 al., 2024). When genetic diversity is high, as expected for large and connected populations,  
83 there is more potential variation for selection to act upon, increasing adaptive potential and  
84 population viability in the face of environmental change (Reed & Frankham, 2003). Given the  
85 recognised global significance of genetic diversity (Exposito-Alonso et al., 2022; García-  
86 Dorado & Caballero, 2021), reliable estimates are crucial for conservation and genetic  
87 management of species.

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89 The neutral theory of evolution (Kimura, 1983) predicts that in a population of constant size,  
90 neutral genetic diversity will correlate positively with effective population size, as formalised  
91 by the infinite sites model ( $\theta = 4N_e\mu$ ; Kimura, 1969). We also expect that variance in  
92 heterozygosity should be correlated with heterozygosity, and therefore with population size  
93 (Kimura, 1983). However, empirical studies have demonstrated that in natural populations, the  
94 relationship between genetic diversity and population size is not always clear-cut. While many  
95 studies have found a predictive relationship between population size and genetic diversity (e.g.  
96 in plants; Hamrick et al., 1992; Newman & Pilson, 1997, and lizards Hague & Routman, 2016),  
97 there have also been many exceptions. The most well-known deviation is ‘Lewontin’s  
98 Paradox’, the observation that the range of effective population sizes in metazoans is several  
99 orders of magnitude larger than the range of observed genetic diversity (Lewontin, 1974). This  
100 paradox has been reinforced by empirical studies at broad scales (Buffalo, 2021; Galtier &

101 Rousselle, 2020; Romiguier et al., 2014), and various processes have been proposed by which  
102 to explain it (Charlesworth & Jensen, 2022; Leffler et al., 2012), including fluctuating  
103 population size, population structure and selection.

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105 Although Lewontin's Paradox highlights that genetic diversity can level off in large  
106 populations, we still expect a positive trend between genetic diversity and effective population  
107 size (Charlesworth & Jensen, 2022). Macroecological evidence and theory also support a  
108 strong relationship between range size and local abundance (Gaston et al., 1997; Holt et al.,  
109 1997). Accordingly, we predict that wide-ranging species should have higher heterozygosity  
110 than small range species (Doyle et al., 2015; Gitzendanner & Soltis, 2000). Significant  
111 deviations from this expectation could arise through recent range expansion in widespread  
112 species (Peter & Slatkin, 2013, 2015; Slatkin & Excoffier, 2012), increased diversity in small-  
113 range species due to recent introgression (Alcala et al., 2013), or differences in local population  
114 density, as could arise through habitat differences or interspecific competition (Holt et al.,  
115 1997).

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117 Here we investigate determinants of genetic diversity in a diverse radiation of northern  
118 Australian, scansorial geckos, using population-level genomic data from 21 species or lineages  
119 across two clades of the *Gehyra* radiation: the *australis* and *nana* groups, within the  
120 phylogenetic framework of a robust coalescent species tree. Focal species vary over 1000-fold  
121 in range size and vary in preference for arboreal and rocky habitats. All species are locally  
122 abundant, with smaller species (mostly in the *nana* group) occupying smaller to large rocks,  
123 larger species occurring on large boulders and cliff faces, and two species in the *australis* group  
124 specialised for arboreal habitats (Doughty, Bauer, et al., 2018; Oliver et al., 2019). Within the  
125 *nana* group, there is also evidence for size structuring of local communities (Moritz et al.,

126 2018). With extensive paleoenvironmental change across Australia's north (Bowman et al.,  
127 2010; Potter et al., 2018), and many closely related, sympatric species (Doughty, Bourke, et  
128 al., 2018; Moritz et al., 2018; Oliver et al., 2019), there is potential for both unstable population  
129 size and/or recent hybridisation/introgression, making the *Gehyra* radiation an ideal test case  
130 to investigate the impact of demographic and biological processes on genetic diversity. Using  
131 a best-practice approach to estimate individual heterozygosity, we explore the roles of range  
132 size (as a proxy for population size), population expansion (indicated by Tajima's D), and  
133 introgression in determining genetic diversity.

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## 135 **Methods**

### 136 *Sampling, DNA extraction and sequencing*

137 For population genomic analysis, we sampled a total of 775 individuals from 21 *Gehyra* species  
138 or lineages (18 described species, two undescribed species, and one additional lineage of a  
139 described species; Supplementary Table 1), spanning a variety of range sizes, from 412 to  
140 536,949 km<sup>2</sup> (Supplementary Figure 1). Samples were collected from either museum  
141 collections (Supplementary Table 1), or from the field under Australian National University  
142 Animal Ethics (A2019/15 and A2022/07) and Charles Darwin University (A19005) Animal  
143 Ethics approvals. Of these 21 lineages, nine came from the *australis* group (Oliver et al., 2020)  
144 and 12 from the *nana* group (Doughty, Bourke, et al., 2018; Moritz et al., 2018), these being  
145 two major clades within the *Gehyra* radiation. For taxonomically undescribed lineages, we  
146 follow the nomenclature of Moritz et al. (2018); i.e. *Gehyra nana1*, *G. nana2*, *G. nana4* and  
147 *G. nanamulti* (the latter a divergent form of *G. nana* with mtDNA introgressed from *G.*  
148 *multiporosa*). Two independent lineages of *G. occidentalis* as identified in (Oliver et al., 2017),  
149 are indicated by *G. occidentalis* KL (King Leopold Ranges) and *G. occidentalis* OR (Oscar  
150 Range).

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152 We extracted total genomic DNA using either a high-salt extraction protocol (Sunnucks &  
153 Hales, 1996), or a Qiagen DNeasy Blood & Tissue Kit following the manufacturer's protocol.  
154 Samples were then sent to Diversity Arrays Technology (DARTseq; Canberra, Australia) for  
155 restriction enzyme-based library preparation (using PstI and HpaII enzymes; Kilian et al.,  
156 2012) and sequencing on an Illumina HiSeq2500 platform. In addition to this population-level  
157 DARTseq sampling, we also combined 119 new and existing *Gehyra* exon capture samples  
158 (Ashman et al., 2018; Moritz et al., 2018; Oliver et al., 2019), representing a total of 62 species  
159 or lineages (Supplementary Table 2), to generate a well-supported, taxonomically complete  
160 species tree for the *Gehyra* radiation. Exon capture data were generated using the custom,  
161 1900-locus targeted capture approach described in (Moritz et al., 2018).

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### 163 *Bioinformatic processing and variant calling*

164 Unexpected patterns in genetic diversity may be the result of recently recognised biases in  
165 SNP-only measures of heterozygosity, that do not account for invariant (Schmidt et al., 2021)  
166 or multi-allelic (Sopniewski & Catullo, 2024) sites, which may have affected results in a  
167 previous study of genetic diversity in northern Australian lizards (Fenker et al., 2021). To  
168 ensure methodological factors did not impact our conclusions, we leveraged two high-quality  
169 *Gehyra* reference genomes for bioinformatic processing, that allowed us to estimate individual  
170 heterozygosity using both variant and invariant sites. Raw reads generated using the DARTseq  
171 platform were processed and mapped to one of two high-quality draft reference genomes  
172 (Roycroft et al. unpublished data), *Gehyra lapistola (australis* group) and *G. paranana (nana*  
173 group) using the docker-based pipeline described at <https://hub.docker.com/r/trust1/gatk>  
174 (v0.4.1). Briefly, adaptor sequences and poly-G tails were first trimmed using cutadapt (M.  
175 Martin, 2011), and trimmed reads were mapped to each respective reference genome using

176 BWA-MEM and indexed by samtools v1.10 (Danecek et al., 2021). We used DeepVariant  
177 v1.1.0 (Poplin et al., 2018) to call variants with its pre-trained WGS model and generate a  
178 gVCF file of SNPs per individual.

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#### 180 *Filtering sample-specific gVCF files to estimate individual heterozygosity*

181 To retain invariant sites for individual heterozygosity estimation, and given that cohort  
182 genotype files retain polymorphic sites only, we first filtered each gVCF file to retain sites with  
183 a genotype quality  $> 20$ , minimum read depth  $> 5$ , and remove all sites with missing data, then  
184 used bcftools v1.10.2 “convert” to expand compressed invariant sites records (Danecek et al.,  
185 2021). Variable sites rejected by DeepVariant were excluded from individual heterozygosity  
186 calculations. Using filtered, single sample gVCF files containing both variant and invariant  
187 sites, we calculated individual heterozygosity as the proportion of heterozygous sites out of  
188 total valid sites per individual. We then calculated the among-sample variance of individual  
189 heterozygosity for each species or lineage using the *var* function in R (R Core Team 2022).  
190 We prefer to use mean observed ‘individual’ heterozygosity, rather than expected  
191 heterozygosity (or theta) to avoid confounding effects of non-random mating across sampled  
192 individuals. We confirmed that individual heterozygosity was not impacted by sample size by  
193 calculating average individual heterozygosity on five down-sampled sets of our best sampled  
194 species, sampling *G. koira* ( $n = 100$ ,  $n = 75$ ,  $n = 50$ ,  $n = 25$  and  $n = 10$  (Supplementary Figure  
195 2A), and we also confirmed that variance in heterozygosity was not correlated with sample size  
196 (Supplementary Figure 2B).

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#### 198 *Cohort genotyping, filtering and cohort population genomic analysis*

199 To obtain population-level SNP datasets for subsequent analysis, we performed cohort  
200 genotyping with DeepVariant and GLnexus v1.2.7 (Poplin et al., 2018; Yun et al., 2021) at

201 three different scales; 1) by species, 2) by group (for the *australis* group), and 3) by  
202 geographical regions in *nana* group, i.e. sympatric species. Prior to final cohort genotyping, we  
203 confirmed that the species/lineage identification of each individual sample was correct using  
204 principal components analysis (PCA), implemented in *SNPrelate* (Zheng et al., 2012) and  
205 *gdsfmt* (Zheng et al., 2017) in R, in addition to identification with diagnostic mtDNA markers  
206 prior to sequencing. At both scales, cohort genotyped SNPs were filtered using *vcftools* v0.1.16  
207 with iterative filtering approach (O’Leary et al., 2018) to remove low quality and low coverage  
208 genotype calls using the following sequential minimum thresholds; 1) minor allele count  $\geq 2$ ,  
209 2) minor allele frequency  $\geq 0.01$ , 3) quality value  $\geq 20$ , 4) minimum mean depth  $\geq 10$ , 5)  
210 minimum depth  $\geq 3$ , 6) missing sites  $< 20\%$  across individuals, 7) only keep samples with  $<$   
211  $50\%$  individual missingness, 8) sites with missing data  $< 5\%$  and minor allele frequency  $\geq 0.01$ ,  
212 9)  $\geq 10\text{kb}$  distance in the reference genome from the previous SNP. Following all filters, we  
213 retained 769 individuals across 21 lineages for final analyses. With these cohort genotyped  
214 SNPs, we estimated Tajima’s D for each species using the *neutrality.stats* function in the R  
215 package ‘Popgenome’ (Pfeifer et al., 2014). We tested for statistical significance of Tajima’s  
216 D by comparing the inferred value to both a normal and standard normal distribution of 100  
217 simulated values using ‘ms’ (Hudson, 2002). Tajima’s D values were considered statistically  
218 significant if the estimated value fell outside the 95% of simulated values (two-tailed).

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### 220 *Inferring a coalescent species tree for the Australian Gehyra radiation*

221 To generate a well-supported, taxonomically complete species tree for the Australian *Gehyra*  
222 radiation for phylogenetically-informed analyses in this study, and to facilitate future  
223 comparative studies across *Gehyra*, we combined data from prior exon capture sequencing of  
224 119 samples representing 62 species or lineages (Ashman et al., 2018; Moritz et al., 2018;  
225 Oliver et al., 2019). Sequence data for each locus was processed and aligned using the EAPhy

226 pipeline (Blom, 2015) – details provided in the Supplementary Methods. Final, filtered  
227 alignments were ranked using a combination of taxon completeness ( $> 95\%$ ), sequence data  
228 completeness ( $> 95\%$ ), locus length ( $250 \text{ bp} < \text{length} < 500 \text{ bp}$ ), and tree-length ( $0.25 < \text{length}$   
229  $< 2$ , inferred in PAUP (Swofford, 2002) using a HKY model). We then selected the top ranked  
230 100 loci for species tree analysis in Starbeast2 v0.14 (Ogilvie et al., 2017). To increase  
231 computational tractability, we followed a ‘divide and conquer’ approach similar to that  
232 described in (Ashman et al., 2018) to split the Australian *Gehyra* radiation into a ‘skeleton’  
233 tree, and four sub-clades for analysis (see Supplementary Table 2). For each clade, we ran two  
234 independent Starbeast2 runs of  $10^9$  iterations, sampling every  $10^5$  iterations, with 20%  
235 discarded as burn-in – see Supplementary Methods. The posterior distribution of sub-clades  
236 was combined with the distribution of ‘skeleton’ tree backbone, to generate a combined global  
237 species tree for 62 total species/lineages, provided in the supplementary material to facilitate  
238 future comparative studies in the Australian *Gehyra* radiation. For this paper, we then pruned  
239 this global tree topology to retain the 21 species/lineages included in our downstream analyses.

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#### 241 *Hybridisation and introgression tests*

242 Hybridisation and/or recent introgression are expected to increase heterozygosity and genetic  
243 diversity independent of geographic range size. To explore this, we first tested for the presence  
244 of individuals with mixed ancestry or potential hybrids using sNMF (Frichot et al., 2014) using  
245 the R package LEA (Frichot & François, 2015), at three pairwise contact zones that have shown  
246 evidence for potential introgression in previous work (i.e., *Gehyra nana1* vs. *G. nana2*, *G.*  
247 *nana1* vs. *G. nanamulti* and *G. nana1* vs. *G. nana4*). We ran sNMF with  $\alpha = 100$ ,  $\text{seed} =$   
248  $100$ ,  $\text{repetitions} = 10$ , and  $K = 2$  indicating the two parental populations of each pairwise  
249 comparison. The *G. nana1* vs. *G. nana2* contact zone was run with  $K = 3$ , as preliminary results  
250 suggested additional clusters provided better model fit. We did not test for recent hybridization

251 in the *australis* group, as no admixture has been detected at contact zones between lineages in  
252 this group (Fenker et al., 2021; Oliver et al., 2020; S. Zozaya unpublished data), and our  
253 preliminary results did not show any evidence for mixed ancestry or elevated heterozygosity.  
254 We then compared the distribution of individual heterozygosity in *G. nana* lineages identified  
255 as having mixed ancestry (i.e. ancestry coefficient  $< 0.8$  from any one parental population), to  
256 those with pure parental ancestry. We also used an ABBA-BABA approach to test for past  
257 introgression among non-sister taxa within each *Gehyra* clade, using the ‘Dtrios’ function in  
258 ‘Dsuite’ (Malinsky et al., 2021). As we are primarily interested in introgression at timescales  
259 that could influence population genomic metrics in extant populations, we only included taxon  
260 sets in ABBA-BABA tests that could feasibly have experienced introgression based on current  
261 geographic distributions (10 and 56 total comparisons, see Supplementary Figure 1). Tests  
262 were based on phylogenetic relationships of *Gehyra* species inferred in our coalescent species  
263 tree (see Supplementary Figure 3). Resultant p-values for each D-statistic were adjusted using  
264 the *p.adjust* function in R with a false discovery correction (Benjamini & Hochberg, 1995).  
265 We then used the python script *dtools.py* provided by Dsuite to plot the F-branch statistic for  
266 each comparison, which measures the proportion of gene flow between corresponding branches  
267 of the phylogeny (Malinsky et al., 2021; S. H. Martin et al., 2013)

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### 269 *Estimating range size*

270 To estimate range size for each species or lineage, we took the area of a convex hull polygon  
271 fitted to geographic records for each species (using the ‘*minimum bounding geometry*’ function  
272 in QGIS v. 3.20), clipped to the Australian coastline. Geographic records came from samples  
273 genotyped in previous papers (Doughty, Bauer, et al., 2018; Oliver et al., 2020), in this study,  
274 and unpublished records. Each polygon was inspected and, where necessary (in two cases; *G.*  
275 *arnhemica* & *G. australis*), manually adjusted. For three species (*G. calcitectus*, *G. ipsa*, *G.*

276 *pluraporosa*) with extremely small and rock-restricted distributions, range sizes were estimated  
277 by manually drawing a polygon around the respective rocky ranges using Google Earth.  
278 Resultant maps for each species and details of modified or manually estimated ranges are  
279 provided in Supplementary Figure 1.

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### 281 *Testing predictors of heterozygosity*

282 To statistically investigate the significance of range size and population expansion/contraction  
283 (as measured by Tajima's D) as predictors of mean individual heterozygosity, we used both  
284 linear and phylogenetic linear modelling approaches, using the 'lm' function and package  
285 *phylom* (Tung Ho & Ané, 2014) respectively. Although heterozygosity is not anticipated to be  
286 a phylogenetically inherited trait, we applied both linear and phylogenetic linear models to  
287 address any non-independence (see Fig. S7). We assessed model fit using the coefficient of  
288 determination (R-squared) and p-values using marginal t-tests. We used a Welch's one-sided  
289 t-test to compare heterozygosity between the *australis* and *nana* groups, using the *t.test*  
290 function in R with alternative hypothesis set as 'greater'. To additionally explore whether larger  
291 range species have higher intra-lineage variance in heterozygosity, we also tested for a  
292 correlation between range size and variance in heterozygosity.

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## 294 **Results**

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### 296 *Genomic-scale data across the Australian Gehyra radiation*

297 We successfully generated genome-wide, reduced representation data for 21 species and  
298 lineages in the *Gehyra* radiation, with sequenced regions spanning all putative autosomes in  
299 the draft genomes of *Gehyra lapistola* (*australis* group) and *G. paranana* (*nana* group).  
300 Following initial filtering, we retained 769 individuals for final analyses, with an average of

301 2.14 million callable sites (variant + invariant) and average depth of coverage of 10.2X across  
302 all samples, and an average of 40 individuals per species (see Supplementary Table 3 for per-  
303 species sequencing summary statistics). Per-species cohort genotyped SNPs (i.e. only variant  
304 sites) ranged from 329 – 5631 filtered SNPs (see Supplementary Table 4). Filtered SNP cohorts  
305 across multiple species for ABBA-BABA tests retained 3,557 SNPs (*australis* group), 1,934  
306 SNPs for sympatric *nana* species ‘group 1’ and 1,299 SNPs for sympatric *nana* species ‘group  
307 2’. The species-lineage identification of all retained individuals was confirmed via PCA  
308 (Supplementary Figure 4). We additionally used existing or new exon capture data from 119  
309 samples, spanning 62 species and lineages in the *Gehyra* radiation (Supplementary Table 2),  
310 to facilitate the estimation of a robust coalescent species tree.

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#### 312 *Inter- and intra-specific variation in heterozygosity*

313 Our results highlight significant variation in individual heterozygosity across the *Gehyra*  
314 phylogeny, both between and within species (Figure 1). Overall, individual heterozygosity was  
315 significantly higher in the *nana* group than in the *australis* group ( $p = 0.023$ , Figure 1B), with  
316 *Gehyra nana1* and *G. nanamulti* showing the highest heterozygosity, and *G. ipsa* and *G.*  
317 *calcitectus* showing the lowest heterozygosity (Figure 1). In several cases, our results show  
318 high within-species variation in individual heterozygosity (Figure 1), with the three species  
319 displaying the highest variance in individual heterozygosity including the widespread species  
320 *G. kimberleyi*, the rock specialist *G. occidentalis* KL, and the small-range *G. pluraporosa*.

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#### 322 *Range size predicts heterozygosity, variance in heterozygosity, and Tajima’s D*

323 Across the entire dataset, including all 21 lineages, linear models show a significant positive  
324 correlation ( $R^2 = 0.30$ ,  $p < 0.01$ ) between range size of each species and average individual  
325 heterozygosity (Fig. 2A). When the two clades were modelled separately, the *australis* group

326 showed a strong and significant positive correlation ( $R^2 = 0.74$ , Fig. 2B), while in the *nana*  
327 group the relationship was not significant (Fig. 2C). Across all species, range size significantly  
328 predicted variance in average individual heterozygosity (Fig. 2D), with a consistent slope when  
329 the *australis* (Fig. 2E) and *nana* (Fig. 2F) clades were considered separately. Our models also  
330 support a significantly negative correlation between range size and Tajima's D (Fig. 2 G-I),  
331 with larger-range species showing more negative Tajima's D values. In six cases, Tajima's D  
332 was significantly negative in widespread species (Supplementary Table 4), indicating a  
333 significant excess of low frequency alleles, consistent with recent population expansion. This  
334 pattern was consistent and significant in the combined 21-species dataset, and in both clades,  
335 with the strongest negative slope in the *australis* group (Fig. 2H). In all cases, linear and  
336 phylogenetic linear models show comparable trends (Fig. 2, Supplementary Table 5),  
337 suggesting our results are robust to potential phylogenetic non-independence, despite overall  
338 higher heterozygosity in the *nana* group than in the *australis* group (Fig. 1).

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#### 340 *Contrasting patterns of hybridisation and introgression in two Gehyra clades*

341 Using sNMF, we assigned ancestry coefficients to individuals from three contact zones within  
342 the *nana* group (i.e., *nana1* vs. *nana2*, *nana1* vs. *nana4*, *nana1* vs. *nanamulti*) to investigate  
343 potential elevated heterozygosity as a result of recent hybridization. Most samples were  
344 identified as pure parental origin based on sNMF ancestry coefficients (Supplementary Figure  
345 5), with no indication of F1 hybrids. Individuals that were assigned mixed ancestry (i.e. with <  
346 0.8 ancestry coefficient from any one parental population) did not show elevated  
347 heterozygosity compared to pure parental individuals (Supplementary Figure 5). Using an  
348 ABBA-BABA approach to test for introgression between non-sister lineage pairs that are now  
349 in contact, we found no significant evidence for introgression in the *australis* group  
350 (Supplementary Table 6). In the *nana* group, three lineage pairs showed significant (adjusted

351  $p < 0.01$ ) evidence for past introgression (Fig. 3, Supplementary Table 7). Using the  $f$ -branch  
352 statistic, the signal of introgression appeared to be localised at three topological points in the  
353 phylogeny; 1) between *nana2* and *nana1*, 2) between *nana2* and the ancestor of *nana1* +  
354 *nanamulti*, and 3) between *granulum* and *kimberleyi* (Fig. 3). Thus, it is possible that some of  
355 the elevated heterozygosity in these taxa (Fig. 1) derives from historical introgression.

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## 357 **Discussion**

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### 359 *Range size predicts genetic diversity, with clade-specific demographic idiosyncrasies*

360 Given that individual heterozygosity is a measure of genetic diversity, and range size is a proxy  
361 of effective population size, a positive relationship between these factors is expected under  
362 neutral theory (Kimura 1969, Charlesworth & Jensen 2022). While we see strong and  
363 significant support for this relationship in the *australis* group, the relationship between  
364 heterozygosity and range size is not significant in the *nana* group. The pattern we observe in  
365 the *nana* group is consistent with Lewontin's Paradox, in which species with large populations  
366 do not have correspondingly high genetic diversity, i.e. a 'leveling off' of genetic diversity in  
367 large populations. Many possible explanations for Lewontin's Paradox have been proposed  
368 (Charlesworth & Jensen, 2022; Filatov, 2019), and a key category among these implicates the  
369 potential role of demographic factors (e.g. recent population expansion). Several wide-ranging  
370 species in our data, in both the *nana* (*nana1*, *nana2*, *nana4* and *nanamulti*) and *australis* groups  
371 (*gemina* and *koira*) have significant signatures of population expansion (Supplementary Table  
372 4) and species with the largest range sizes are more likely to have signatures of population  
373 expansion (negative Tajima's D, Fig. 2G). Population expansion can result in low diversity  
374 despite large population size, and has thus been used to explain deviations from expected

375 relationships between range size and genetic diversity in a variety of taxa (e.g. Henn et al.,  
376 2012; Westbury et al., 2019).

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### 378 *Potential effects of varying population density*

379 Both the significantly higher overall heterozygosity of *nana* group lineages relative to the  
380 *australis* group, and the weaker relationship between heterozygosity and range size in the *nana*  
381 group, may relate to differences in population densities. Of particular note is the lack of  
382 divergence in mean heterozygosity between some sister-taxa with contrasting range sizes (e.g.  
383 *Gehyra girloorloo* vs. *G. kimberleyi*; and *G. occidentalis* KL vs. OR, Fig. 1). While a strong  
384 relationship between range size and local abundance is generally expected (Gaston et al., 1997;  
385 Holt et al., 1997), interspecies interactions at local scales may disrupt this relationship, and in  
386 turn disrupt the relationship between range size and genetic diversity. This could be especially  
387 true for lineages of *G. nana*, which can be excluded from larger rock faces in the presence of  
388 larger-bodied species (CM and SZ, pers. obs.). Such interspecific interactions, reflected in size-  
389 structuring of local communities within the *nana* group (Moritz et al., 2018), could decouple  
390 local abundance and range size, and so weaken the expected relationship between range size  
391 and genetic diversity. In contrast, rock-dwelling taxa within the *australis* group are rarely  
392 sympatric and so have a stronger relationship between heterozygosity and range size.

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### 394 *The relationship between variation in heterozygosity and geography*

395 Our results demonstrate a significant positive correlation between range size and variance in  
396 heterozygosity. For widespread species, there is greater potential for differences in local  
397 population size and so genetic diversity across the landscape, especially across the often-  
398 complex geographies of northern Australia. Greater variance in heterozygosity in more  
399 genetically diverse populations is also a theoretical expectation (Kimura, 1969, 1983), as

400 genetically diverse populations are more likely to be geographically structured. While  
401 individual heterozygosity, even of single samples, provides a minimum estimate of genetic  
402 diversity (e.g. (Roycroft et al., 2021), this result highlights that estimates of individual  
403 heterozygosity from a single or geographically restricted set of samples may be more likely to  
404 underestimate genetic diversity in widespread species. While the slope of the relationship  
405 between range size and variance in heterozygosity was strong, there are cases where the  
406 variance in individual heterozygosity is higher than expected given range size in both range-  
407 restricted (e.g. *G. calcitectus*, *G. pluraporosa*) and widespread (*G. kimberleyi*, *G. occidentalis*  
408 KL) species. This is potentially driven by fine-scale population structure and differences in  
409 local population size. For example, despite being a short-range endemic, *G. calcitectus* occurs  
410 on disconnected limestones that may have no opportunity for present-day gene flow. In  
411 contrast, lower than expected variance may be explained by high connectivity or recent range  
412 expansion. For example, *G. gemina* has the largest range size of all species in our data, but falls  
413 below the trendline for variance in heterozygosity given its range size (Fig. 2D). Combined  
414 with evidence for a significantly negative Tajima's D (Supplementary Table 4), this suggests  
415 that *G. gemina* may have experienced a recent population expansion.

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#### 417 *The role of introgression in determining present-day heterozygosity*

418 During periods of secondary contact, gene flow or introgression, genetic diversity can increase  
419 unexpectedly, and be subsequently maintained over thousands of generations (Alcala et al.,  
420 2013). Our finding of no evidence for hybridization, backcrossing or introgression in the  
421 *australis* group, but significant evidence of ancient introgression in the *nana* group, could both  
422 contribute to higher overall heterozygosity, and also explain the weaker relationship between  
423 range size and heterozygosity in the *nana* group. While introgression (Fig. 3) does not seem to  
424 be correlated with a notable increase in the present-day standing heterozygosity in the four

425 implicated terminal lineages, ancient lineage fusion or introgression may have impacted  
426 baseline heterozygosity in the *nana* group as a whole. For example, *G. granulum* and *G.*  
427 *kimberleyi* do not show particularly high heterozygosity given their range sizes, compared to  
428 other species in the *nana* group (Fig. 1, Fig. 2). We hypothesise that introgression events we  
429 identified using an ABBA-BABA approach in the *nana* group are ancient and that a recurrent  
430 history of introgression has impacted genetic diversity across multiple lineages through the  
431 history of this clade. This has likely contributed to the overall higher genetic diversity in the  
432 *nana* group compared to the *australis* group. Given opportunity for hybridization and  
433 introgression at multiple zones of geographic contact (Supplementary Figure 1), a lack of  
434 significant evidence for introgression in the history of the *australis* group indicates the potential  
435 for strong barriers to gene flow or reproductive isolation in this clade.

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#### 437 *Insights into Lewontin's Paradox*

438 Together with other recent comparative analyses (Fonseca et al., 2023; Pelletier et al., 2018),  
439 our results support the explanatory power of neutral theory in predicting broad-scale patterns  
440 of genetic diversity, but also highlight the potential role for demographic processes to  
441 contribute to deviations from expected patterns. Various studies that address Lewontin's  
442 Paradox – the lack of collinearity of heterozygosity and population size – combine data across  
443 ecologically disparate taxa where current and past demographics may disrupt the expected  
444 relationship (Buffalo, 2021; Corbett-Detig et al., 2015; Galtier & Rousselle, 2020; Leffler et  
445 al., 2012; Romiguier et al., 2014). Here, for an ecologically similar set of taxa distributed across  
446 the same biogeographic region, we do find an overall correlation between genetic diversity and  
447 range size. However, contrasting patterns between two independent but closely related clades  
448 reveal how effects of past introgression, interspecific interactions and variable responses to

449 past environmental change can together disrupt the relationship between population or range  
450 size and genetic diversity in natural populations.

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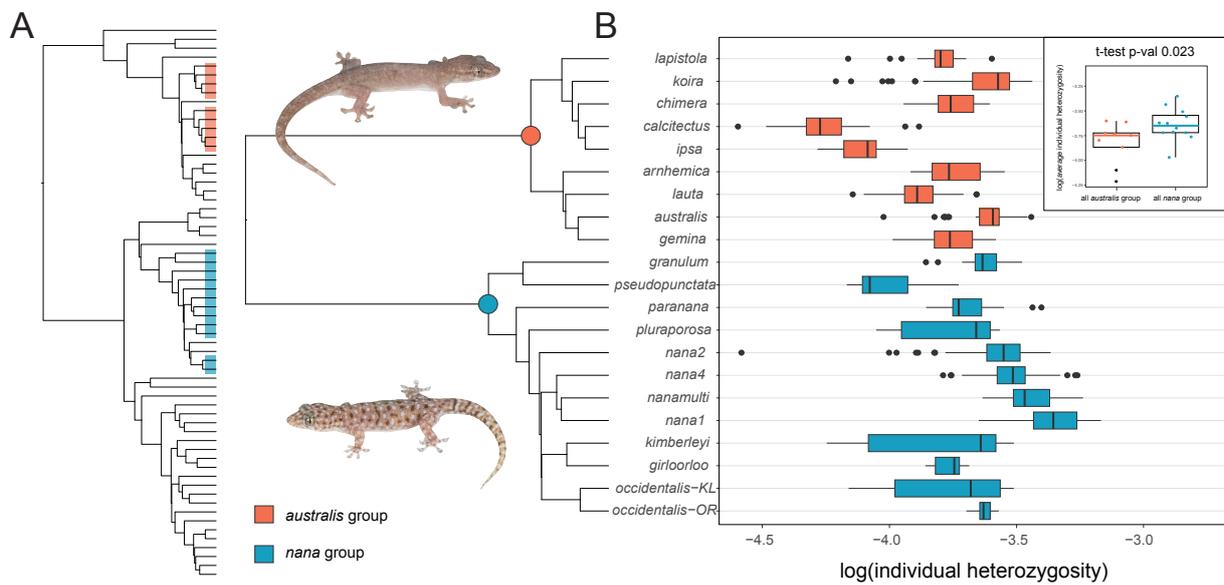
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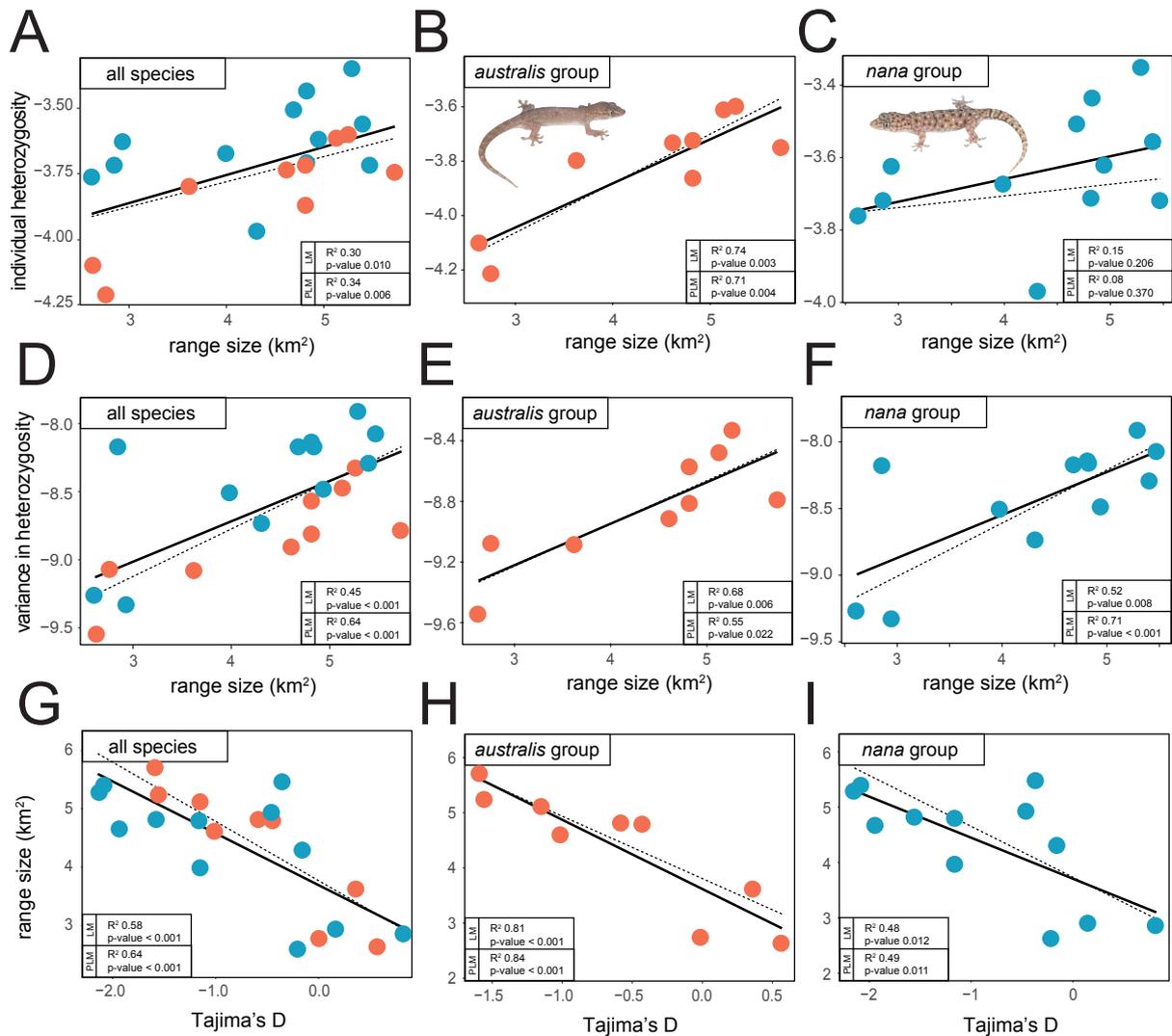
679 Australian *Gehyra* radiation inferred in Starbeast2, and B) the distribution of individual

680 heterozygosity in the *australis* and *nana* groups. Inset shows the significant difference in

681 average individual heterozygosity in all *australis* group lineages, compared to all *nana* group

682 lineages. Photos of *G. lapistola* (top) and *G. paranana* (bottom) by Scott Macor.

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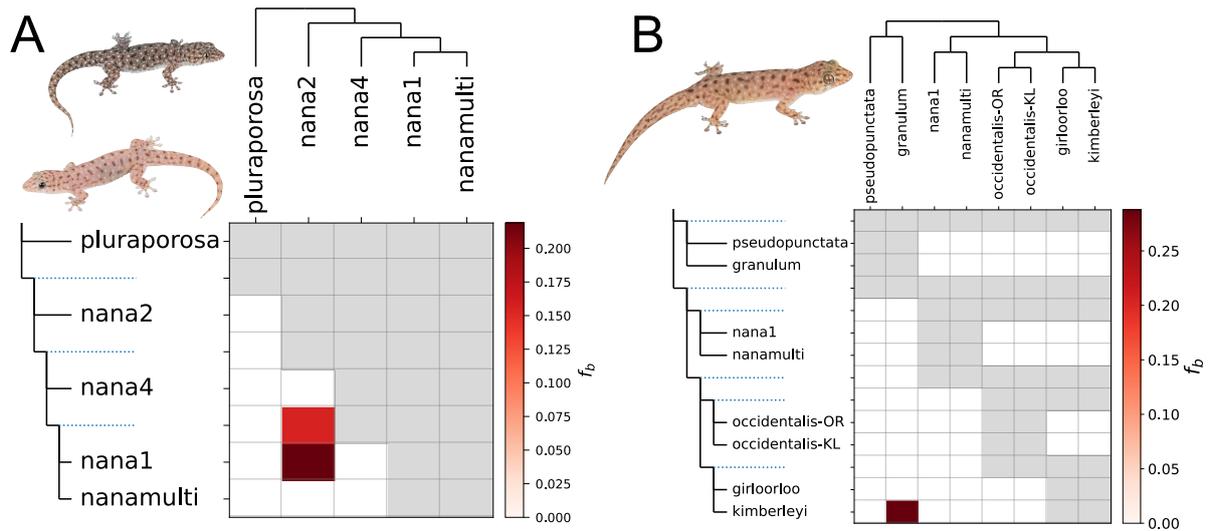
685 **Figure 2** Predicting genetic diversity in *Gehyra* geckos. Correlations between range size and  
 686 individual heterozygosity (A – C), range size and variance in individual heterozygosity (D –  
 687 F), and Tajima's D and range size (G – I). Solid trend line indicates standard linear model,  
 688 dashed trend line indicates phylogenetic linear model. All axes except Tajima's D values are  
 689 log-scaled.

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696 **Figure 3** Evidence for historical introgression in the *nana* clade. Pairwise f-branch statistic  
 697 ( $f_b$ ) as a measure of excess allele sharing between species or ancestral branches, compared to  
 698 their respective sister branches, in A) four species in the *nana* complex, with *pluraporosa* as  
 699 an outgroup, and B) eight species in broader *nana* clade. In contrast, no pairwise comparisons  
 700 in the *australis* clade showed significant evidence for introgression, see Supplementary X.

701 Photos of *Gehyra nana2*, *G. nana1* and *G. granulum* by Scott Macor.

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## 712 **Supplementary Methods**

### 713 *Inferring a coalescent species tree for the Australian Gehyra radiation – additional detail*

714 Where possible, the final alignment included two representative individuals (one haplotype per  
715 individual) per species/lineage. In cases where only one sample was available for any lineage  
716 and the sample had higher than 20x average coverage, both the h0 and h1 haplotypes from the  
717 EAPhy pipeline were included in final alignments to ensure two representatives for coalescent  
718 analyses. Each locus alignment was also manually inspected in Geneious 6.1.8  
719 (<https://www.geneious.com>) and edited to remove alignment errors. Loci with evidence of  
720 paralogy, low-quality individuals (high rates of Ns due to low coverage), chimeras and  
721 contaminated individuals (haplotypes of incorrect species, often associated with chimeras)  
722 were removed.

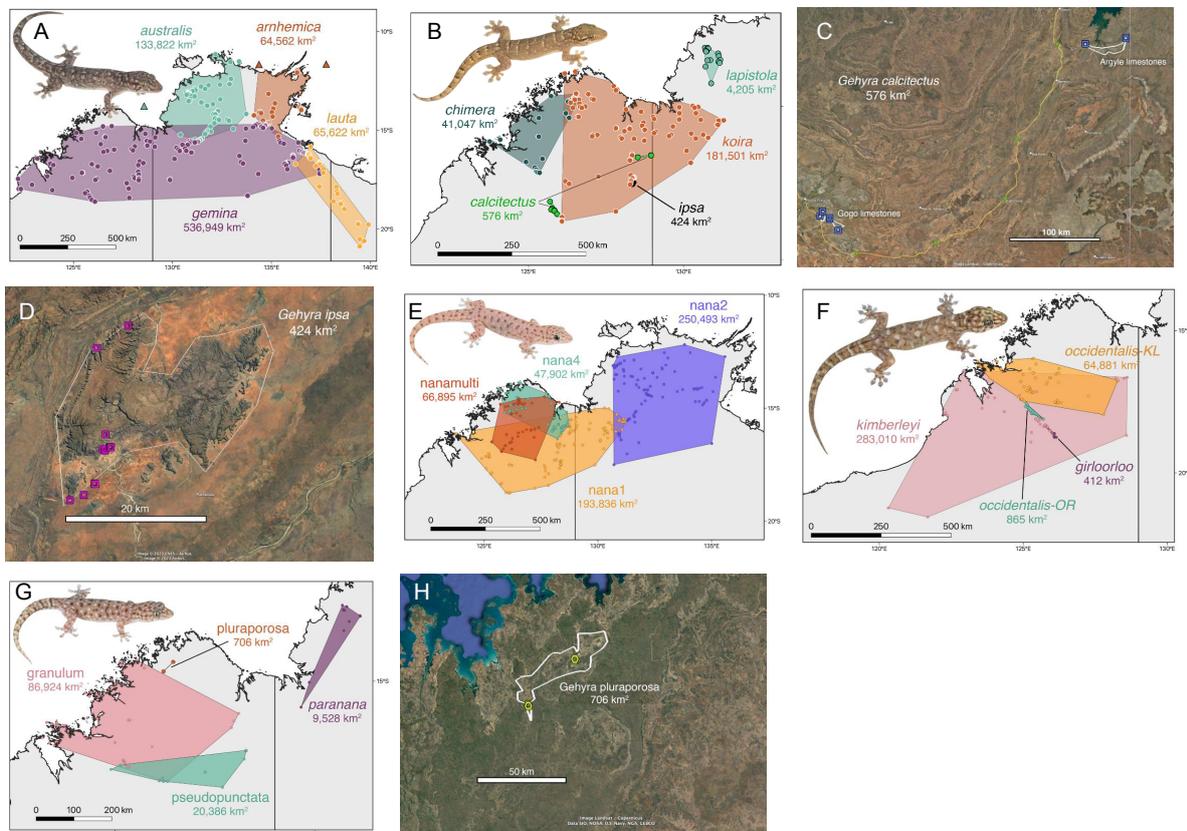
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724 Sub-clades for the ‘divide-and-conquer’ approach were defined as monophyletic groups  
725 containing no more than 20 lineages, with 100% bootstrap support in a preliminary RAxML  
726 analysis (i.e., *australis* group, n = 20; *xenopus* group, n = 4, *nana* group, n = 14; *variegata*  
727 group, n = 20). The skeleton tree was then made up of two representative taxa to define the  
728 base of each sub-clade, and any other poorly supported, spurious or evolutionarily unique  
729 lineages that did not fall within the above sub-clades (see Supplementary Table 2). For the  
730 skeleton tree and each sub-clade, we ran two independent Starbeast2 runs of  $10^9$  iterations,  
731 sampling every  $10^5$  iterations, with 20% discarded as burn-in. Each run used a linked strict  
732 clock model across all exons with 1/X prior. Each locus had its own partition with substitution  
733 model set to HKY+G, constant population model and Birth-Death speciation model. Tree-root  
734 height was set to 1.0, to facilitate downstream integration of sub-clade trees. In one case (the  
735 *australis* group, the largest sub-clade), we ran four independent runs to ensure adequate ESS  
736 values ( $> 200$ ) for all parameters (assessed using Tracer V1.7).

737 **Supplementary Figures and Tables**

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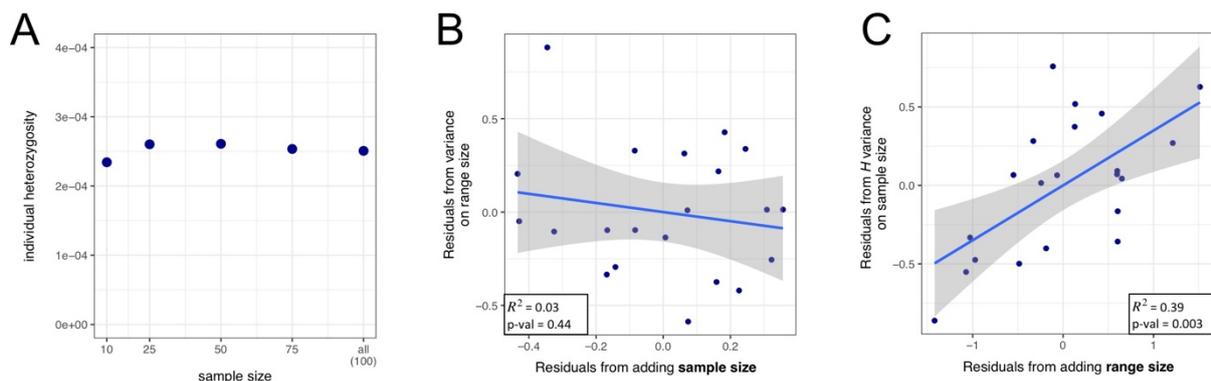
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742 **Supplementary Figure 1** Geographic records and estimated range size of *Gehyra* species  
 743 included in this study. A) *G. arnhemica* (pictured), *G. australis*, *G. gemina*, and *G. lauta*.  
 744 Triangular points represent points manually added to extend the polygons of *G. arnhemica* and  
 745 *G. australis* across areas where they have been observed to occur despite having no samples or  
 746 specimens from those areas. B) *G. calcitectus*, *G. chimera*, *G. ipsa* (pictured), *G. koiria*, and *G.*  
 747 *lapistola*. Polygons to estimate range size were drawn manually for *G. calcitectus* and *G. ipsa*,  
 748 both of which have extremely narrow distributions on specific rock types. C) *G. calcitectus*  
 749 distribution. Polygons were drawn around the approximate boundaries of the two limestone  
 750 formations, with the range size estimate being the sum of the two polygons. D) *G. ipsa*  
 751 distribution. The polygon was drawn around the approximate boundary of the Purnululu  
 752 massif, which is accessible by road only on its western half. E) *G. nana* complex, which is  
 753 comprised of four deeply divergent and morphologically similar candidate species: *nanal*  
 754 (pictured), *nana2*, *nana4*, and *nanamulti*. F) *G. girloorloo*, *G. kimberleyi*, and two deeply  
 755 divergent candidate species within the *G. occidentalis* complex: *occidentalis-KL* (pictured) and

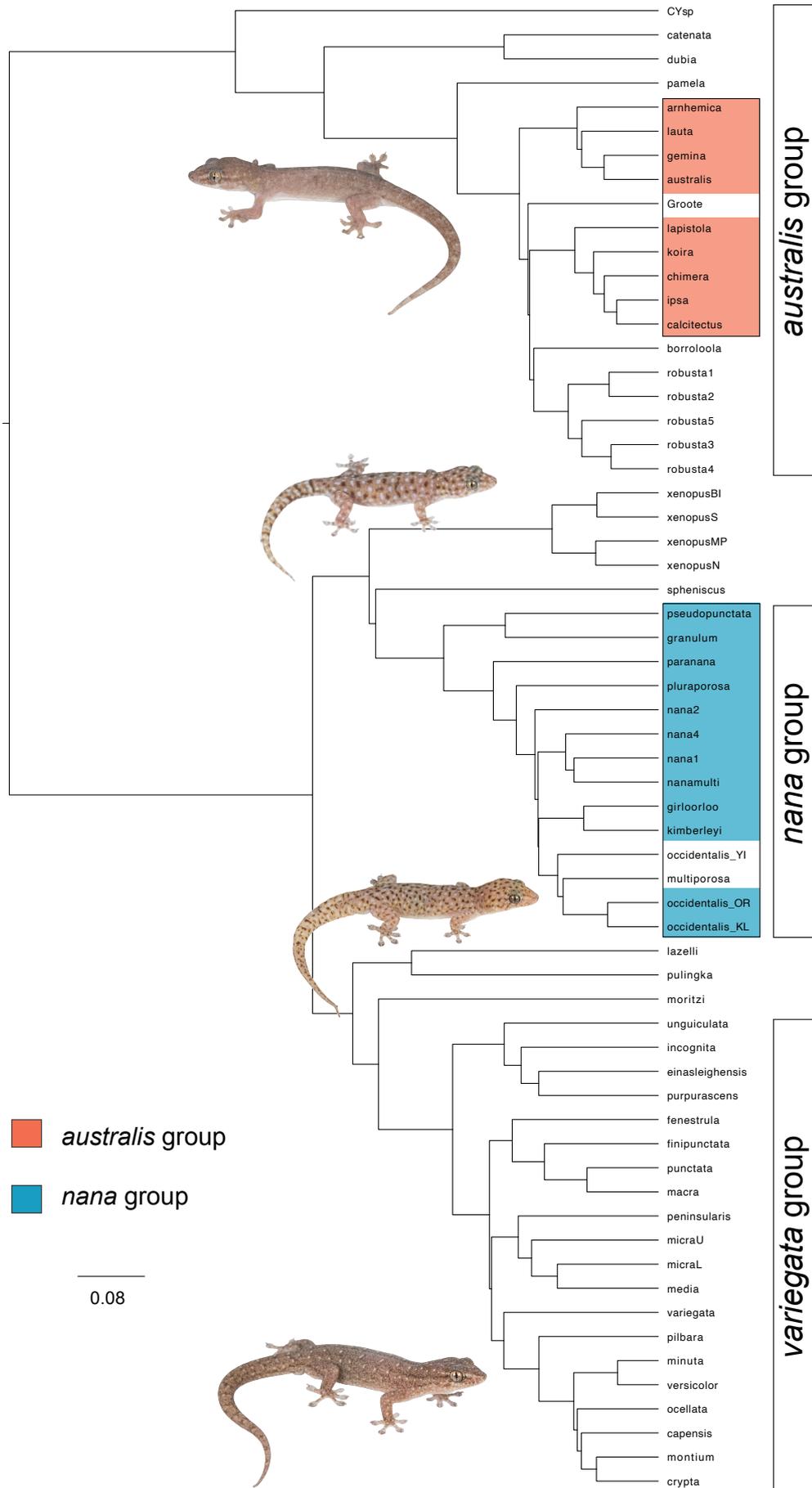
756 *occidentalis-OR*. G) *G. granulum*, *G. paranana* (pictured), *G. pluraporosa*, and *G.*  
 757 *pseudopunctata*. The polygon for *G. pluraporosa* was drawn manually. H) *G. pluraporosa*  
 758 distribution. The species is known from only two localities within the King Edward River  
 759 sandstone on Theda Station. The polygon here has been drawn around the approximate margins  
 760 of that sandstone formation, excluding some nearby and seemingly well-connected formations  
 761 where intense searches have not detected this otherwise easy to find species (S. Zozaya pers.  
 762 obs.). All photos by Scott Macor.

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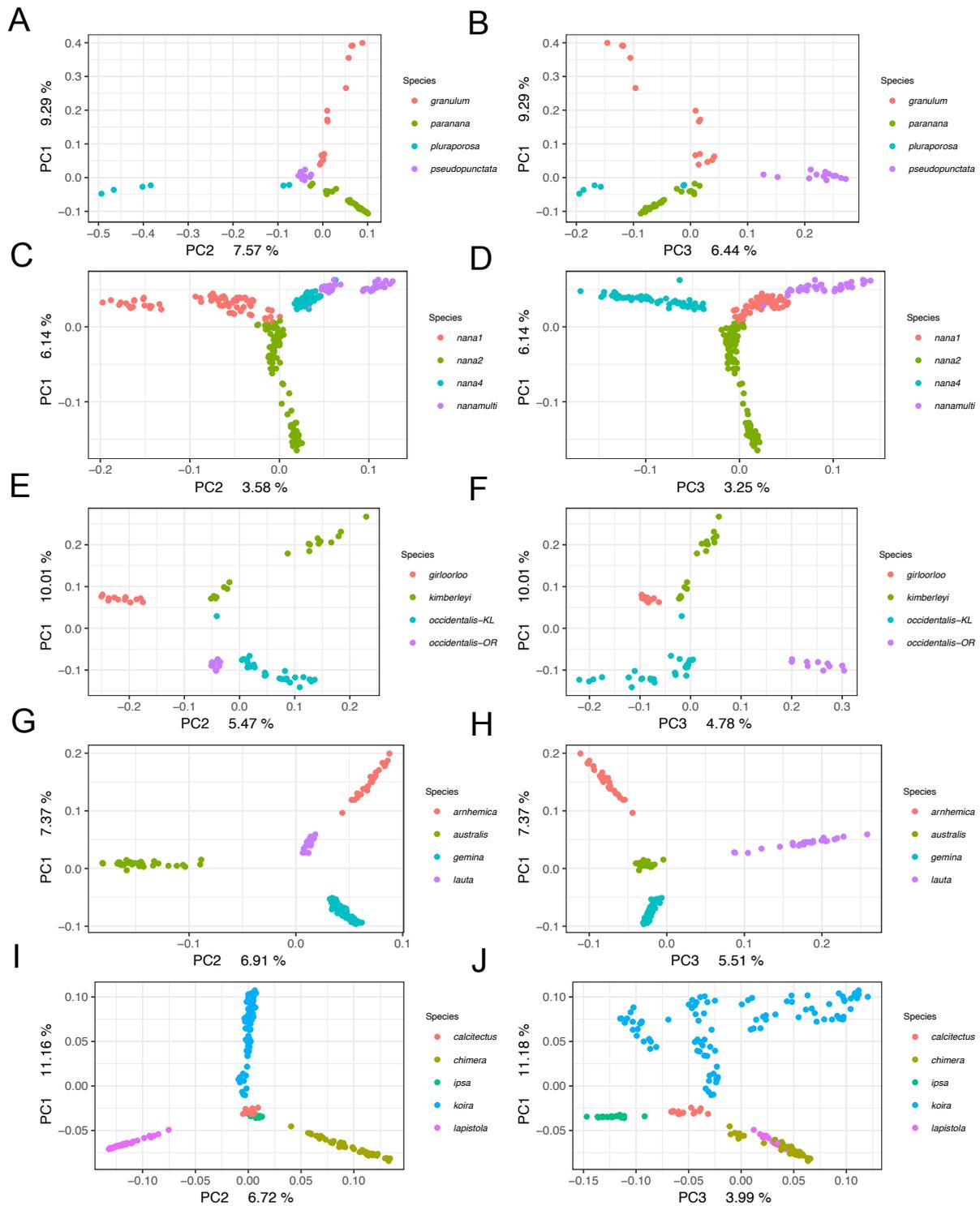
**Supplementary Figure 2** Sample size does not impact heterozygosity or variance in heterozygosity. A) Sequentially down-sampled subsets of *Gehyra koira* between  $n = 100$  and  $n = 10$ , showing no significant impact of sample size of average individual heterozygosity. B) Given a model  $\text{lm}(\text{range size} \sim H \text{ variance})$ , how well does adding sample size explain the unexplained residuals, compared to C) given  $\text{lm}(N \sim H \text{ variance})$ , how well does adding range size explain the unexplained residuals.  $N$  = sample size,  $H$  = individual heterozygosity. All variables in the models are log-scaled.



785 **Supplementary Figure 3** Coalescent species tree for 62 species and lineages in the Australian  
786 *Gehyra* radiation, estimated from 100 exon-capture loci using a divide-and-conquer approach  
787 in Starbeast2. Branch lengths are in proportional coalescent units. Species included in  
788 population genomic analysis are highlighted (red = *australis* group, blue = *nana* group). Photos  
789 by Scott Macor (top to bottom; *Gehyra lapistola*, *G. paranana*, *G. moritzi* and *G. crypta*).

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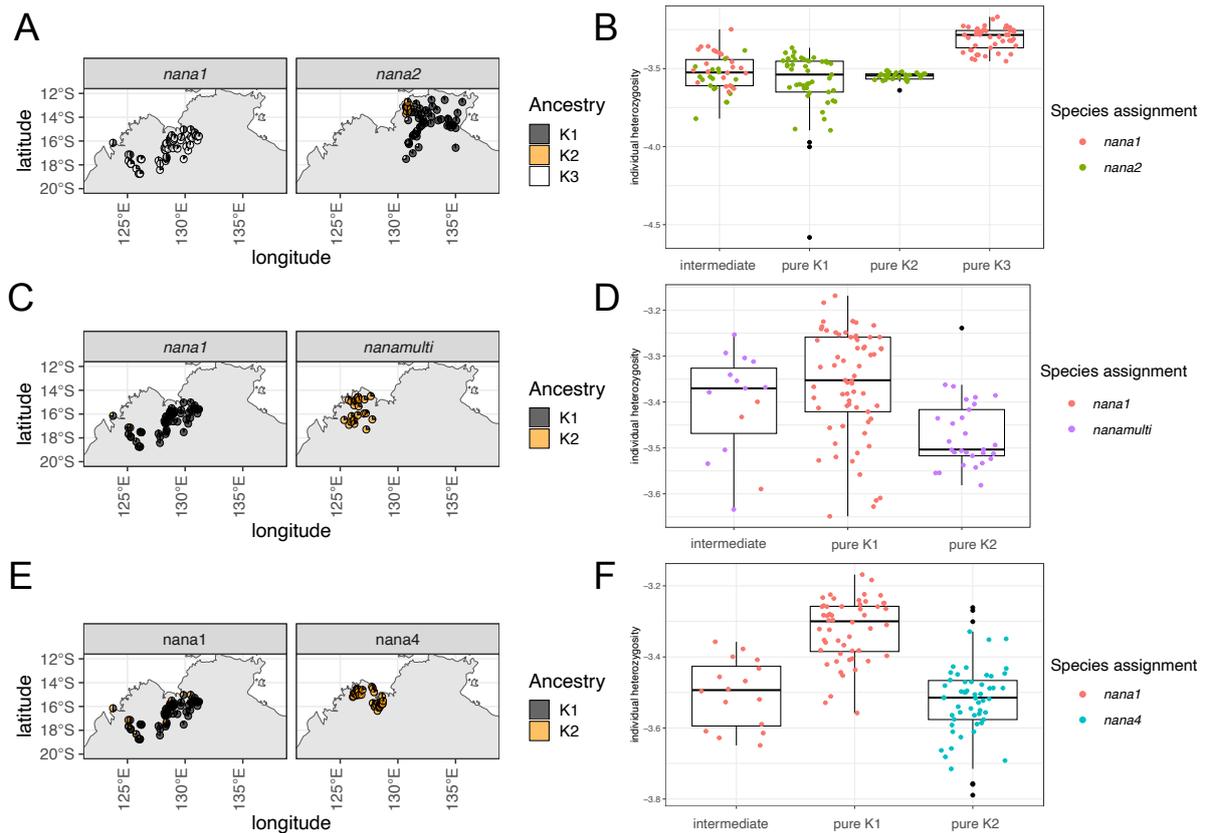
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**Supplementary Figure 4** Principal components analysis (PCA) showing the assignment of each sample into lineages. Species are grouped by clades based on phylogenetic relationships, A) and B) *granulum*, *paranana*, *pluraporosa* and *pseudopunctata*, C) and D) *nana1*, *nana2*, *nana4* and *nanamulti*, E) and F) *girloorloo*, *kimberleyi*, *occidentalis-KL* and *occidentalis-OR*, G) and H) *arnhemica*, *australis*, *gemina* and *lauta*, I) and J), *calcitectus*, *chimera*, *ipsa*, *koira* and *lapistola*

799 and *lapistola*. For each horizontal pair of plots, the left plot shows PC1 vs PC2, and the right  
800 shows PC1 vs PC3, as some samples from distinct species overlap in PC1 and PC2. This is  
801 likely an artefact of close and more distantly related lineages being analysed together in each  
802 PCA plot. All samples were also barcoded with ND2 to verify lineage assignment (data not  
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**Supplementary Figure 5** Heterozygosity is not elevated in individuals of mixed ancestry at three pairwise contact zones. A) Ancestry coefficients inferred in sNMF for *Gehyra nana1* and *G. nana2*, B) with no significant difference in heterozygosity between individuals assigned an intermediate ancestry. C) Ancestry coefficients inferred in sNMF for *Gehyra nana1* and *G. nanamulti*, D) with no significant difference in heterozygosity between individuals assigned an intermediate ancestry. E) Ancestry coefficients inferred in sNMF for *Gehyra nana1* and *G. nana4*, D) with no significant difference in heterozygosity between individuals assigned an intermediate ancestry. Intermediate individuals are those that have < 0.8 ancestry coefficient for any one parental population. Black points on boxplots indicate outliers. K = population clusters based on genetic ancestry.

866 **Supplementary Table 1** Metadata for specimens used in this study for population-level  
 867 genomics.

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872 **Supplementary Table 2** Metadata for exon capture samples used to generate the coalescent

873 species tree, including sampling strategy for species included in the ‘divide-and-conquer’

874 approach.

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879 **Supplementary Table 3** Post-filtering coverage, callable sites and individual heterozygosity

880 across 769 individuals from 21 species and lineages included for population-scale DArT-seq

881 data generation and analysis.

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Species (n samples)	Average coverage (exclude sites with < 3 cov.)	Coverage range (exclude sites with < 3 cov.)	Average callable sites (after filtering and vcf expansion)	Average homozygous + invariable sites (after filtering and vcf expansion)	Average heterozygous sites (after filtering and vcf expansion)	Average individual heterozygosity (excluding sites rejected by DeepVar)
<i>arnhemica</i> (n = 24)	11.15	7.69 – 14.94	1893620	1893275	345.29	0.00019
<i>australis</i> (n = 34)	10.45	6.79 – 16.85	2031131	2030628	503.44	0.000245
<i>calcitectus</i> (n = 15)	12.58	9.61 – 14.49	2520328	2520171	156.53	6.12E-05
<i>chimera</i> (n = 46)	10.14	6.05 – 14.65	2555554	2555069	484.57	0.000184
<i>gemina</i> (n = 66)	10.61	6.12 – 13.03	2162013	2161640	372.45	0.000179
<i>girloorloo</i> (n = 12)	7.45	6.57 – 8.65	1587067	1586790	276.92	0.000173
<i>granulum</i> (n = 14)	8.95	6.72 – 10.78	1640657	1640262	395.00	0.000239
<i>ipsa</i> (n = 20)	12.20	8.46 – 15.90	2504637	2504439	198.10	7.97E-05
<i>kimberleyi</i> (n = 18)	8.29	7.29 – 12.40	1646088	1645768	320.06	0.000191
<i>koira</i> (n = 100)	13.93	9.73 – 23.57	2875103	2874384	719.10	0.000241
<i>lapistola</i> (n = 41)	10.76	9.42 – 14.24	3064887	3064395	492.02	0.00016
<i>lauta</i> (n = 24)	11.37	7.24 – 15.75	2142802	2142504	297.16	0.000133
<i>nana1</i> (n = 68)	9.05	6.67 – 11.93	1834702	1833877	824.41	0.000446
<i>nana2</i> (n = 96)	9.58	6.66 – 13.06	1979918	1979358	560.48	0.000278
<i>nana4</i> (n = 58)	8.88	5.59 – 13.69	1713925	1713375	549.79	0.000311
<i>nanamulti</i> (n = 41)	8.73	6.70 – 11.79	1644083	1643458	624.98	0.000367
<i>occis-KL</i> (n = 29)	9.86	7.17 – 11.61	2136125	2135722	402.93	0.000194
<i>occis-OR</i> (n = 10)	9.70	8.58 – 10.58	1867144	1866698	446.00	0.000237

<i>paranana</i> (n = 34)	9.74	6.78 – 15.67	2693385	2692820	564.82	0.000212
<i>pluraporosa</i> (n = 6)	9.59	9.09 – 10.06	2095907	2095495	411.50	0.000191
<i>pseudopunctata</i> (n = 13)	10.38	8.95 – 14.47	2239661	2239428	232.38	0.000107

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886 **Supplementary Table 4** Tajima's D and significance across 21 species and lineages included

887 for population-scale DArT-seq data generation and analysis. Bold values indicate significance

888 ( $p < 0.05$ ). P-values and upper/lower bounds are shown both using a normal distribution and a

889 standard normal distribution for comparison.

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species	clade	#final filtered SNPs in species cohorts	Tajima's D	upper bound (normal dist.)	lower bound (normal dist.)	p-value (normal dist.)	z-score	p-value (st. normal dist.)	upper bound (st. normal dist.)	lower bound (st. normal dist.)
<i>arnhemica</i>	<i>australis</i>	1247	-0.438	1.932	-1.587	0.18	-0.444	0.361	1.69	-1.78
<i>australis</i>	<i>australis</i>	1726	-1.156	1.271	-1.66	0.065	-1.314	0.168	1.5	-1.68
<i>calcitectus</i>	<i>australis</i>	329	-0.014	1.719	-1.974	0.194	0.151	0.394	1.61	-1.91
<i>chimera</i>	<i>australis</i>	2280	-1.019	2.04	-1.81	0.101	-0.984	0.246	1.83	-1.96
<i>gemina</i>	<i>australis</i>	2538	-1.591	1.794	-1.591	<b>0.042</b>	-1.612	0.109	1.81	-1.92
<i>ipsa</i>	<i>australis</i>	640	0.568	1.961	-1.558	0.156	0.606	0.332	1.79	-1.75
<i>koira</i>	<i>australis</i>	5631	-1.562	1.808	-1.459	<b>0.035</b>	-1.705	0.093	1.86	-1.8
<i>lapistola</i>	<i>australis</i>	1704	0.36	1.888	-1.651	0.164	0.48	0.355	1.72	-1.89
<i>lauta</i>	<i>australis</i>	1281	-0.577	1.882	-1.789	0.174	-0.442	0.362	1.58	-1.94
<i>girloorloo</i>	<i>nana</i>	390	-0.216	1.237	-1.958	0.236	0.031	0.399	1.37	-1.85
<i>granulum</i>	<i>nana</i>	484	-0.463	1.695	-2.059	0.18	-0.461	0.359	1.66	-1.78
<i>kimberleyi</i>	<i>nana</i>	605	-0.364	1.496	-2.189	0.22	-0.216	0.39	1.46	-1.82
<i>nana1</i>	<i>nana</i>	3175	-2.145	1.295	-1.961	<b>0.002</b>	-2.523	<b>0.017</b>	1.5	-1.69
<i>nana2</i>	<i>nana</i>	3056	-2.089	1.962	-1.686	<b>0.013</b>	-2.147	<b>0.04</b>	1.79	-1.91
<i>nana4</i>	<i>nana</i>	1901	-1.941	2.03	-1.592	<b>0.014</b>	-2.028	0.051	1.51	-1.88
<i>nanamulti</i>	<i>nana</i>	2411	-1.567	1.927	-1.697	<b>0.045</b>	-1.554	0.119	1.67	-1.94
<i>occidentalis-KL</i>	<i>nana</i>	1375	-1.165	1.715	-1.817	0.07	-1.29	0.174	1.83	-1.78
<i>occidentalis-OR</i>	<i>nana</i>	744	0.152	1.456	-1.717	0.204	0.326	0.378	1.55	-1.8
<i>paranana</i>	<i>nana</i>	1514	-1.155	1.683	-1.659	0.088	-1.156	0.204	1.46	-1.83
<i>pluraporosa</i>	<i>nana</i>	507	0.818	1.597	-1.859	0.122	0.828	0.283	1.88	-1.8
<i>pseudopunctata</i>	<i>nana</i>	399	-0.165	1.388	-1.894	0.199	0.034	0.399	1.56	-1.95

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894 **Supplementary Table 5** Results from linear and phylogenetic linear models testing the  
 895 relationship between range size, heterozygosity, variance in heterozygosity and Tajima's D.

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Response ~ Predictor		Linear model					Phylogenetic linear model					
		Estimate	Std Error	t-value	p-value	R <sup>2</sup>	Estimate	Std Error	t-value	p-value	R <sup>2</sup>	
(Ho ~ Range size)	<b>australis group</b>											
	(Intercept)	-4.53	0.163	-27.837	< 0.001		-4.606	0.214	-21.532	< 0.001		
	final_area	0.162	0.036	4.478	0.003	0.741	0.181	0.044	4.15	0.004	0.711	
	<b>nana group</b>											
	(Intercept)	-3.91	0.206	-18.952	< 0.001		-3.834	0.173	-22.15	< 0.001		
	final_area	0.063	0.046	1.354	0.206	0.155	0.032	0.034	0.939	0.37	0.081	
	<b>australis + nana groups</b>											
(Intercept)	-4.183	0.168	-24.966	< 0.001		-4.164	0.269	-15.505	< 0.001			
final_area	0.107	0.037	2.857	0.01	0.3	0.096	0.031	3.127	0.006	0.34		
(Range size ~ Tajima's D)	<b>australis group</b>											
	(Intercept)	3.617	0.222	16.267	< 0.001		3.806	0.316	12.061	< 0.001		
	tajD	-1.256	0.231	-5.43	0.001	0.808	-1.131	0.184	-6.131	< 0.001	0.843	
	<b>nana group</b>											
	(Intercept)	3.706	0.304	12.173	< 0.001		3.733	0.623	5.995	< 0.001		
	tajD	-0.741	0.242	-3.063	0.012	0.484	-0.919	0.295	-3.11	0.011	0.492	
	<b>australis + nana groups</b>											
(Intercept)	3.689	0.2	18.445	< 0.001		3.766	1.054	3.575	0.002			
tajD	-0.89	0.175	-5.072	< 0.001	0.575	-1.016	0.177	-5.754	< 0.001	0.635		
(Ho ~ Tajima's D)	<b>australis group</b>											
	(Intercept)	-3.935	0.066	-59.245	< 0.001		-3.902	0.126	-31.031	< 0.001		
	tajD	-0.189	0.069	-2.735	0.029	0.517	-0.179	0.073	-2.442	0.045	0.46	
	<b>nana group</b>											
	(Intercept)	-3.738	0.049	-76.259	< 0.001		-3.743	0.085	-44.007	< 0.001		
	tajD	-0.117	0.039	-3.001	0.013	0.474	-0.075	0.04	-1.85	0.094	0.255	
	<b>australis + nana groups</b>											
(Intercept)	-3.831	0.045	-86.037	< 0.001		-3.818	0.233	-16.394	< 0.001			
tajD	-0.153	0.039	-3.927	0.001	0.448	-0.123	0.039	-3.147	0.005	0.343		
(Variance ~ Range size)	<b>australis group</b>											
	(Intercept)	-10.042	0.317	-31.701	< 0.001		-10.074	0.472	-21.331	< 0.001		
	final_area	0.274	0.07	3.887	0.006	0.683	0.282	0.096	2.928	0.022	0.551	
	<b>nana group</b>											
	(Intercept)	-9.838	0.435	-22.634	< 0.001		-10.207	0.408	-25	< 0.001		
	final_area	0.322	0.098	3.302	0.008	0.522	0.399	0.081	4.951	0.001	0.71	
	<b>australis + nana groups</b>											
(Intercept)	-9.905	0.34	-29.156	< 0.001		-10.169	0.528	-19.277	< 0.001			
final_area	0.297	0.076	3.905	0.001	0.445	0.349	0.06	5.786	< 0.001	0.638		

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908 **Supplementary Table 6** D-suite introgression statistics for the *australis* group based on 3,557

909 cohort-genotyped SNPs, showing no significant evidence for introgression.

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P1	P2	P3	D-statistic	Z-score (from adj. p-value)	adj. p-value	f4-ratio	BBAA	ABBA	BABA	Original Z-score	Original p-value
<i>arnhemica</i>	<i>australis</i>	<i>calcitectus</i>	0.113	0.655	0.512	0.041	44.619	5.815	4.639	0.948	0.343
<i>arnhemica</i>	<i>australis</i>	<i>chimera</i>	0.214	1.466	0.143	0.064	47.640	6.432	4.168	2.100	0.036
<i>australis</i>	<i>gemina</i>	<i>arnhemica</i>	0.022	0.295	0.768	0.024	23.483	14.623	14.007	0.423	0.672
<i>arnhemica</i>	<i>australis</i>	<i>ipsa</i>	0.224	1.296	0.195	0.051	49.001	5.513	3.498	1.913	0.056
<i>arnhemica</i>	<i>australis</i>	<i>koira</i>	0.116	0.801	0.423	0.020	43.971	6.460	5.116	1.249	0.212
<i>australis</i>	<i>lauta</i>	<i>arnhemica</i>	0.106	1.332	0.183	0.128	18.626	17.015	13.740	1.969	0.049
<i>chimera</i>	<i>calcitectus</i>	<i>arnhemica</i>	0.151	0.812	0.417	0.041	16.095	10.438	7.702	1.322	0.186
<i>arnhemica</i>	<i>gemina</i>	<i>calcitectus</i>	0.080	0.539	0.590	0.029	45.514	5.670	4.825	0.752	0.452
<i>ipsa</i>	<i>calcitectus</i>	<i>arnhemica</i>	0.270	1.466	0.143	0.068	16.616	11.189	6.429	2.154	0.031
<i>calcitectus</i>	<i>koira</i>	<i>arnhemica</i>	0.093	0.619	0.536	0.029	17.831	11.064	9.176	0.855	0.392
<i>arnhemica</i>	<i>lauta</i>	<i>calcitectus</i>	0.272	1.812	0.070	0.087	46.721	5.859	3.356	2.876	0.004
<i>arnhemica</i>	<i>gemina</i>	<i>chimera</i>	0.107	0.734	0.463	0.034	49.080	6.191	4.991	1.078	0.281
<i>ipsa</i>	<i>chimera</i>	<i>arnhemica</i>	0.104	0.539	0.590	0.029	18.403	10.795	8.764	0.750	0.453
<i>chimera</i>	<i>koira</i>	<i>arnhemica</i>	0.195	1.273	0.203	0.068	15.005	14.159	9.542	1.869	0.062
<i>arnhemica</i>	<i>lauta</i>	<i>chimera</i>	0.139	0.787	0.431	0.038	50.947	5.561	4.201	1.159	0.246
<i>arnhemica</i>	<i>gemina</i>	<i>ipsa</i>	0.017	0.112	0.911	0.004	51.014	5.066	4.894	0.161	0.872
<i>arnhemica</i>	<i>gemina</i>	<i>koira</i>	0.015	0.112	0.911	0.003	45.343	6.052	5.871	0.138	0.891
<i>gemina</i>	<i>lauta</i>	<i>arnhemica</i>	0.085	0.925	0.355	0.107	19.903	16.883	14.226	1.478	0.140
<i>ipsa</i>	<i>koira</i>	<i>arnhemica</i>	0.331	1.812	0.070	0.094	18.201	13.368	6.720	2.721	0.007
<i>arnhemica</i>	<i>lauta</i>	<i>ipsa</i>	0.230	1.466	0.143	0.052	52.225	5.507	3.448	2.111	0.035
<i>arnhemica</i>	<i>lauta</i>	<i>koira</i>	0.034	0.228	0.820	0.005	46.630	4.819	4.500	0.342	0.732
<i>chimera</i>	<i>calcitectus</i>	<i>australis</i>	0.082	0.512	0.608	0.023	15.256	10.775	9.134	0.710	0.478
<i>gemina</i>	<i>australis</i>	<i>calcitectus</i>	0.037	0.318	0.751	0.012	53.062	4.697	4.366	0.463	0.643
<i>ipsa</i>	<i>calcitectus</i>	<i>australis</i>	0.208	1.466	0.143	0.054	15.634	11.383	7.463	2.126	0.033
<i>calcitectus</i>	<i>koira</i>	<i>australis</i>	0.104	0.787	0.431	0.030	16.283	10.850	8.804	1.165	0.244
<i>australis</i>	<i>lauta</i>	<i>calcitectus</i>	0.163	0.801	0.423	0.048	47.205	4.738	3.411	1.275	0.202
<i>gemina</i>	<i>australis</i>	<i>chimera</i>	0.127	0.902	0.367	0.031	55.391	4.706	3.643	1.437	0.151
<i>ipsa</i>	<i>chimera</i>	<i>australis</i>	0.115	0.628	0.530	0.031	16.436	11.092	8.812	0.898	0.369
<i>chimera</i>	<i>koira</i>	<i>australis</i>	0.159	1.157	0.247	0.052	13.014	13.512	9.815	1.704	0.088
<i>lauta</i>	<i>australis</i>	<i>chimera</i>	0.107	0.706	0.480	0.026	50.756	4.662	3.758	1.036	0.300
<i>gemina</i>	<i>australis</i>	<i>ipsa</i>	0.233	1.812	0.070	0.047	57.841	4.877	3.033	2.689	0.007
<i>gemina</i>	<i>australis</i>	<i>koira</i>	0.123	1.061	0.289	0.017	52.318	5.331	4.167	1.606	0.108
<i>australis</i>	<i>gemina</i>	<i>lauta</i>	0.042	0.655	0.512	0.073	20.598	17.415	16.007	0.939	0.348
<i>ipsa</i>	<i>koira</i>	<i>australis</i>	0.287	1.812	0.070	0.081	16.898	13.410	7.433	2.981	0.003
<i>australis</i>	<i>lauta</i>	<i>ipsa</i>	0.006	0.049	0.961	0.001	52.313	3.983	3.939	0.049	0.961
<i>lauta</i>	<i>australis</i>	<i>koira</i>	0.119	0.762	0.446	0.015	47.213	4.817	3.791	1.120	0.263
<i>chimera</i>	<i>calcitectus</i>	<i>gemina</i>	0.119	0.690	0.490	0.032	15.995	11.182	8.810	1.005	0.315

<i>ipsa</i>	<i>calcitectus</i>	<i>chimera</i>	0.054	0.425	0.671	0.045	11.597	11.828	10.607	0.596	0.551
<i>chimera</i>	<i>calcitectus</i>	<i>koira</i>	0.242	1.466	0.143	0.087	12.204	15.202	9.280	2.201	0.028
<i>chimera</i>	<i>calcitectus</i>	<i>lauta</i>	0.192	1.157	0.247	0.058	15.194	12.040	8.168	1.718	0.086
<i>ipsa</i>	<i>calcitectus</i>	<i>gemina</i>	0.283	1.882	0.060	0.071	16.901	12.319	6.887	3.272	0.001
<i>calcitectus</i>	<i>koira</i>	<i>gemina</i>	0.060	0.440	0.660	0.017	17.422	10.835	9.611	0.627	0.530
<i>gemina</i>	<i>lauta</i>	<i>calcitectus</i>	0.181	1.181	0.238	0.060	49.367	5.412	3.754	1.772	0.076
<i>ipsa</i>	<i>calcitectus</i>	<i>koira</i>	0.077	0.619	0.536	0.030	10.295	13.523	11.589	0.862	0.389
<i>ipsa</i>	<i>calcitectus</i>	<i>lauta</i>	0.257	1.785	0.074	0.077	15.645	12.722	7.518	2.602	0.009
<i>koira</i>	<i>calcitectus</i>	<i>lauta</i>	0.015	0.112	0.911	0.005	16.302	10.150	9.855	0.132	0.895
<i>ipsa</i>	<i>chimera</i>	<i>gemina</i>	0.147	0.787	0.431	0.040	18.324	11.917	8.857	1.187	0.235
<i>chimera</i>	<i>koira</i>	<i>gemina</i>	0.151	0.794	0.427	0.049	14.411	13.745	10.148	1.223	0.221
<i>gemina</i>	<i>lauta</i>	<i>chimera</i>	0.017	0.112	0.911	0.005	53.094	4.687	4.528	0.159	0.874
<i>chimera</i>	<i>ipsa</i>	<i>koira</i>	0.161	0.848	0.396	0.059	12.498	14.339	10.353	1.373	0.170
<i>ipsa</i>	<i>chimera</i>	<i>lauta</i>	0.065	0.358	0.720	0.020	17.145	10.897	9.565	0.518	0.605
<i>chimera</i>	<i>koira</i>	<i>lauta</i>	0.153	0.801	0.423	0.053	13.983	13.456	9.880	1.259	0.208
<i>ipsa</i>	<i>koira</i>	<i>gemina</i>	0.313	1.812	0.070	0.086	18.601	13.949	7.292	2.674	0.008
<i>gemina</i>	<i>lauta</i>	<i>ipsa</i>	0.242	1.466	0.143	0.048	54.589	4.851	2.964	2.269	0.023
<i>gemina</i>	<i>lauta</i>	<i>koira</i>	0.015	0.112	0.911	0.002	49.382	4.552	4.413	0.157	0.875
<i>ipsa</i>	<i>koira</i>	<i>lauta</i>	0.235	1.466	0.143	0.072	17.397	12.883	7.976	2.139	0.032

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925 **Supplementary Table 7** D-suite introgression statistics for a subset of lineages in the *nana*  
 926 group that occur in contemporary contact, showing evidence for introgression in some pairs  
 927 (p < 0.01). Table A) is based on 1,934 SNPs from *nana* ‘group1’, corresponding to Figure  
 928 3A, and table B) is based on 1,299 SNPs from *nana* ‘group2’, corresponding to Figure 3B.  
 929 Significant results indicated in bold.

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931 **A)**

P1	P2	P3	D-statistic	Z-score (corrected)	p-value (corrected)	Z-score	p-value	f4-ratio	BBA A	ABB A	BAB A
<i>nana4</i>	<i>nana1</i>	<i>nana2</i>	0.544	7.924	<b>0.000</b>	8.402	0.000	0.342	4.550	10.738	3.168
<i>nanamulti</i>	<i>nana1</i>	<i>nana2</i>	0.340	3.984	<b>0.000</b>	4.351	0.000	0.219	5.713	8.128	4.004
<i>nana2</i>	<i>nana1</i>	<i>pluraporo sa</i>	0.123	0.780	0.435	1.124	0.261	0.085	11.621	2.866	2.236
<i>nanamulti</i>	<i>nana1</i>	<i>nana4</i>	0.021	0.194	0.846	0.217	0.828	0.029	8.287	4.514	4.332
<i>nana1</i>	<i>nana4</i>	<i>pluraporo sa</i>	0.088	0.553	0.580	0.732	0.464	0.092	5.941	3.832	3.211
<i>nanamulti</i>	<i>nana1</i>	<i>pluraporo sa</i>	0.097	0.646	0.518	0.910	0.363	0.070	9.463	2.956	2.434
<i>nana4</i>	<i>nanamulti</i>	<i>nana2</i>	0.312	2.857	<b>0.004</b>	3.220	0.001	0.156	5.006	7.251	3.805
<i>nana2</i>	<i>nana4</i>	<i>pluraporo sa</i>	0.177	0.780	0.435	1.261	0.207	0.168	4.883	4.151	2.901
<i>nana2</i>	<i>nanamulti</i>	<i>pluraporo sa</i>	0.022	0.194	0.846	0.194	0.846	0.015	7.858	2.531	2.423
<i>nanamulti</i>	<i>nana4</i>	<i>pluraporo sa</i>	0.159	0.780	0.435	1.147	0.251	0.154	6.100	4.169	3.027

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933 **B)**

P1	P2	P3	D-statistic	Z-score (corrected)	p-value (corrected)	Z-score	p-value	f4-ratio	BBA A	ABB A	BAB A
<i>girloorlo o</i>	<i>kimberleyi</i>	<i>granulum</i>	0.525	3.293	<b>0.001</b>	4.136	0.000	0.288	1.422	2.236	0.696
<i>girloorlo o</i>	<i>nana1</i>	<i>granulum</i>	0.463	3.049	<b>0.002</b>	3.769	0.000	0.311	2.874	2.630	0.965
<i>girloorlo o</i>	<i>nanamulti</i>	<i>granulum</i>	0.554	3.334	<b>0.001</b>	4.324	0.000	0.412	3.268	3.090	0.886
<i>girloorlo o</i>	<i>occidentalis -KL</i>	<i>granulum</i>	0.558	3.284	<b>0.001</b>	4.034	0.000	0.309	1.294	2.309	0.655
<i>girloorlo o</i>	<i>occidentalis -OR</i>	<i>granulum</i>	0.448	2.490	0.013	3.051	0.002	0.275	1.972	2.381	0.907
<i>granulum</i>	<i>pseudopunctata</i>	<i>girloorlo o</i>	0.417	2.304	0.021	2.776	0.006	0.196	2.978	1.368	0.563
<i>kimberley i</i>	<i>girloorlo o</i>	<i>nana1</i>	0.025	0.061	0.951	0.190	0.849	0.014	1.470	2.652	2.522
<i>kimberley i</i>	<i>girloorlo o</i>	<i>nanamulti</i>	0.107	0.492	0.622	0.746	0.456	0.044	1.329	2.985	2.409
<i>girloorlo o</i>	<i>kimberleyi</i>	<i>occidentalis -KL</i>	0.163	0.760	0.448	1.012	0.312	0.048	1.428	1.864	1.341

<i>kimberleyi</i>	<i>girloorloo</i>	<i>occidentalis</i> -OR	0.173	0.775	0.439	1.04 2	0.29 8	0.04 5	1.70 1	2.04 1	1.43 8
<i>girloorloo</i>	<i>kimberleyi</i>	<i>pseudopunctata</i>	0.256	1.076	0.282	1.35 7	0.17 5	0.12 9	1.08 0	1.95 6	1.15 9
<i>nana1</i>	<i>nanamulti</i>	<i>girloorloo</i>	0.147	1.114	0.265	1.45 1	0.14 7	0.22 5	7.65 1	1.84 8	1.37 4
<i>girloorloo</i>	<i>occidentalis</i> -KL	<i>nana1</i>	0.393	2.304	0.021	2.76 5	0.00 6	0.30 3	0.95 5	5.10 2	2.22 5
<i>girloorloo</i>	<i>occidentalis</i> -OR	<i>nana1</i>	0.425	2.443	0.015	2.97 8	0.00 3	0.30 9	1.14 6	4.92 8	1.98 9
<i>girloorloo</i>	<i>nana1</i>	<i>pseudopunctata</i>	0.357	2.443	0.015	2.95 5	0.00 3	0.23 3	2.39 8	2.73 3	1.29 5
<i>girloorloo</i>	<i>occidentalis</i> -KL	<i>nanamulti</i>	0.329	1.651	0.099	2.01 3	0.04 4	0.20 2	0.86 0	5.16 2	2.60 3
<i>girloorloo</i>	<i>occidentalis</i> -OR	<i>nanamulti</i>	0.345	1.689	0.091	2.09 9	0.03 6	0.18 9	0.95 1	4.65 1	2.26 7
<i>girloorloo</i>	<i>nanamulti</i>	<i>pseudopunctata</i>	0.551	2.975	<b>0.003</b>	3.65 1	0.00 0	0.41 8	2.62 5	3.62 6	1.04 9
<i>occidentalis</i> -KL	<i>occidentalis</i> -OR	<i>girloorloo</i>	0.207	1.076	0.282	1.35 3	0.17 6	0.12 3	9.63 2	1.24 5	0.81 7
<i>girloorloo</i>	<i>occidentalis</i> -KL	<i>pseudopunctata</i>	0.429	2.683	<b>0.007</b>	3.30 5	0.00 1	0.28 8	1.01 1	2.95 0	1.17 8
<i>girloorloo</i>	<i>occidentalis</i> -OR	<i>pseudopunctata</i>	0.223	1.076	0.282	1.36 5	0.17 2	0.13 7	1.72 9	2.31 4	1.46 9
<i>kimberleyi</i>	<i>nana1</i>	<i>granulum</i>	0.041	0.162	0.872	0.34 6	0.73 0	0.03 2	1.71 3	1.60 0	1.47 5
<i>kimberleyi</i>	<i>nanamulti</i>	<i>granulum</i>	0.223	1.465	0.143	1.83 6	0.06 6	0.17 2	1.42 6	1.82 3	1.16 0
<i>kimberleyi</i>	<i>occidentalis</i> -KL	<i>granulum</i>	0.045	0.162	0.872	0.34 3	0.73 2	0.02 9	0.81 7	1.31 0	1.19 6
<i>occidentalis</i> -OR	<i>kimberleyi</i>	<i>granulum</i>	0.016	0.054	0.957	0.12 1	0.90 4	0.01 7	0.98 4	2.06 1	1.99 5
<i>granulum</i>	<i>pseudopunctata</i>	<i>kimberleyi</i>	0.031	0.065	0.948	0.21 5	0.83 0	0.01 3	1.85 8	1.04 5	0.98 3
<i>nana1</i>	<i>nanamulti</i>	<i>granulum</i>	0.157	1.210	0.226	1.56 7	0.11 7	0.14 3	7.97 0	1.98 9	1.45 0
<i>occidentalis</i> -KL	<i>nana1</i>	<i>granulum</i>	0.004	0.044	0.965	0.04 4	0.96 5	0.00 3	4.58 7	1.46 6	1.45 5
<i>occidentalis</i> -OR	<i>nana1</i>	<i>granulum</i>	0.050	0.162	0.872	0.42 6	0.67 0	0.05 0	5.20 4	2.02 2	1.83 1
<i>granulum</i>	<i>pseudopunctata</i>	<i>nana1</i>	0.176	1.210	0.226	1.57 4	0.11 5	0.06 0	2.10 8	1.93 6	1.35 7
<i>occidentalis</i> -KL	<i>nanamulti</i>	<i>granulum</i>	0.191	1.202	0.229	1.54 3	0.12 3	0.14 9	4.45 4	1.71 7	1.16 7
<i>occidentalis</i> -OR	<i>nanamulti</i>	<i>granulum</i>	0.182	1.076	0.282	1.37 0	0.17 1	0.19 1	4.92 9	2.36 7	1.63 7
<i>granulum</i>	<i>pseudopunctata</i>	<i>nanamulti</i>	0.323	1.732	0.083	2.15 4	0.03 1	0.09 3	1.44 6	2.41 3	1.23 4
<i>occidentalis</i> -OR	<i>occidentalis</i> -KL	<i>granulum</i>	0.058	0.175	0.861	0.45 9	0.64 6	0.04 7	9.44 8	1.64 8	1.46 8
<i>granulum</i>	<i>pseudopunctata</i>	<i>occidentalis</i> -KL	0.307	1.838	0.066	2.30 4	0.02 1	0.08 9	1.80 6	1.96 9	1.04 5
<i>granulum</i>	<i>pseudopunctata</i>	<i>occidentalis</i> -OR	0.049	0.162	0.872	0.35 7	0.72 1	0.01 4	2.65 7	1.89 2	1.71 6
<i>nana1</i>	<i>nanamulti</i>	<i>kimberleyi</i>	0.009	0.054	0.957	0.09 7	0.92 2	0.00 6	7.92 3	1.54 4	1.51 6
<i>kimberleyi</i>	<i>occidentalis</i> -KL	<i>nana1</i>	0.441	2.701	<b>0.007</b>	3.37 4	0.00 1	0.31 3	1.28 7	4.91 1	1.90 3
<i>kimberleyi</i>	<i>occidentalis</i> -OR	<i>nana1</i>	0.371	2.392	0.017	2.88 7	0.00 4	0.31 9	1.28 4	5.66 8	2.59 9
<i>kimberleyi</i>	<i>nana1</i>	<i>pseudopunctata</i>	0.191	1.038	0.299	1.30 3	0.19 3	0.12 4	1.53 3	1.99 8	1.35 7
<i>kimberleyi</i>	<i>occidentalis</i> -KL	<i>nanamulti</i>	0.491	2.596	<b>0.009</b>	3.17 1	0.00 2	0.23 8	0.97 8	4.75 8	1.62 3

<i>kimberleyi</i>	<i>occidentalis</i> -OR	<i>nanamulti</i>	0.373	1.734	0.083	2.17 6	0.03 0	0.22 4	1.14 1	5.44 3	2.48 4
<i>kimberleyi</i>	<i>nanamulti</i>	<i>pseudopunctata</i>	0.511	2.683	<b>0.007</b>	3.27 9	0.00 1	0.34 3	1.05 5	2.63 2	0.85 2
<i>occidentalis</i> -OR	<i>occidentalis</i> -KL	<i>kimberleyi</i>	0.314	1.668	0.095	2.04 5	0.04 1	0.12 0	9.75 1	1.45 9	0.76 1
<i>kimberleyi</i>	<i>occidentalis</i> -KL	<i>pseudopunctata</i>	0.277	1.668	0.095	2.05 5	0.04 0	0.18 8	0.83 2	2.24 9	1.27 3
<i>kimberleyi</i>	<i>occidentalis</i> -OR	<i>pseudopunctata</i>	0.011	0.044	0.965	0.05 9	0.95 3	0.00 9	0.97 4	2.16 1	2.11 3
<i>nana1</i>	<i>nanamulti</i>	<i>occidentalis</i> -KL	0.034	0.162	0.872	0.38 0	0.70 4	0.02 3	5.62 8	2.38 3	2.22 8
<i>nanamulti</i>	<i>nana1</i>	<i>occidentalis</i> -OR	0.016	0.054	0.957	0.16 1	0.87 2	0.00 9	5.95 9	2.62 1	2.54 0
<i>nana1</i>	<i>nanamulti</i>	<i>pseudopunctata</i>	0.302	1.812	0.070	2.26 1	0.02 4	0.24 3	7.26 0	2.45 8	1.31 8
<i>occidentalis</i> -KL	<i>occidentalis</i> -OR	<i>nana1</i>	0.012	0.054	0.957	0.09 7	0.92 3	0.00 9	7.20 2	2.59 6	2.53 4
<i>nana1</i>	<i>occidentalis</i> -KL	<i>pseudopunctata</i>	0.101	0.666	0.505	0.91 3	0.36 1	0.07 1	4.03 5	1.82 7	1.49 3
<i>occidentalis</i> -OR	<i>nana1</i>	<i>pseudopunctata</i>	0.158	0.882	0.378	1.15 1	0.25 0	0.11 2	4.77 7	2.17 3	1.58 0
<i>occidentalis</i> -OR	<i>occidentalis</i> -KL	<i>nanamulti</i>	0.036	0.065	0.948	0.23 4	0.81 5	0.01 7	7.02 4	2.51 1	2.33 7
<i>occidentalis</i> -KL	<i>nanamulti</i>	<i>pseudopunctata</i>	0.230	1.210	0.226	1.59 5	0.11 1	0.18 6	3.71 3	2.15 5	1.35 0
<i>occidentalis</i> -OR	<i>nanamulti</i>	<i>pseudopunctata</i>	0.436	2.204	0.028	2.63 7	0.00 8	0.32 6	4.23 5	2.85 2	1.11 9
<i>occidentalis</i> -OR	<i>occidentalis</i> -KL	<i>pseudopunctata</i>	0.364	2.204	0.027	2.65 8	0.00 8	0.17 4	8.61 5	1.73 9	0.81 2

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