

Sexual selection and population divergence I: The influence of socially flexible cuticular hydrocarbon expression in male field crickets (*Teleogryllus oceanicus*)

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Debates about how coevolution of sexual traits and preferences might promote evolutionary diversification have permeated speciation research for over a century. Recent work demonstrates that the expression of such traits can be sensitive to variation in the social environment. Here, we examined social flexibility in a sexually selected male trait—cuticular hydrocarbon (CHC) profiles—in the field cricket *Teleogryllus oceanicus* and tested whether population genetic divergence predicts the extent or direction of social flexibility in allopatric populations. We manipulated male crickets' social environments during rearing and then characterized CHC profiles. CHC signatures varied considerably across populations and also in response to the social environment, but our prediction that increased social flexibility would be selected in more recently founded populations exposed to fluctuating demographic environments was unsupported. Furthermore, models examining the influence of drift and selection failed to support a role of sexual selection in driving population divergence in CHC profiles. Variation in social environments might alter the dynamics of sexual selection, but our results align with theoretical predictions that the role social flexibility plays in modulating evolutionary divergence depends critically on whether responses to variation in the social environment are homogeneous across populations, or whether gene by social environment interactions occur.

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Identifying evolutionary forces that cause phenotypic and genetic divergence among isolated populations is a fundamental goal of evolutionary biology. Sexual signaling traits are obvious candidates as substrates for selection to act upon in this context: population-level variation in the dynamics of genetic drift or the action of selection on traits involved in sexual reproduction can cause reproductive isolation, which feeds back to strengthen divergence (Ritchie 2007). However, the expression of secondary sex-

ual traits appears to be particularly susceptible to variation in the social environment (Rodríguez et al. 2013b). Social flexibility can be caused by processes such as imprinting of sexual preferences during juvenile stages, learning about the abundance and quality of conspecifics in the immediate environment, or more passive effects such as habituation, copying, or density-dependence. Here, we test the relationship between social flexibility and the evolutionary divergence of sexual traits across populations.

The role of behavioral flexibility in population divergence is debated (e.g., Baldwin 1896; West-Eberhard 1989; Miller and Svensson 2014). Recent work mostly focuses on how learning influences reproductive isolation, for example, by relaxing, strengthening, or changing the direction of mating preferences (Servedio et al. 2009; Svensson et al. 2010; Verzijden et al. 2012). Traits that are responsive to the social environment but do not involve learning might also cause unusual evolutionary dynamics (Wolf et al. 2014). For example, when genetic variation among individuals causes variation in the social environment, indirect genetic effects (IGEs) can cause feedback that alters evolutionary rates and directions of interacting phenotypes (Moore et al. 1997). A substantial theoretical literature has developed to model the impact of IGEs on evolutionary processes such as sexual conflict and sexual selection (Moore and Pizzari 2005; Bailey 2012 and Moore 2012; Bijma 2014). This literature suggests that social flexibility may play an important role in shaping patterns of genetic divergence in spatially separated populations, possibly by causing variation in selection on traits that contribute to reproductive isolation (Agrawal et al. 2001; Bailey and Moore 2012). Recent empirical work confirms the existence of IGEs on sexually selected traits, such as male cuticular hydrocarbons in *Drosophila serrata* (Petfield et al. 2005) and female choice in the field cricket *Teleogryllus oceanicus* (Bailey and Zuk 2012). Of particular interest are genotype-by-social environment interactions (GSEIs), in which different focal genotypes respond differently to variation in the social environment (Wolf et al. 2014). If GSEIs operate on sexual signal expression among allopatric populations of a species, for example, alternative rates and directions of evolutionary change could accelerate the evolution of reproductive isolation under some conditions.

Less is known about whether social flexibility enables individuals to cope with demographic changes upon colonizing a new habitat. The ability to facultatively adjust phenotypes to best suit the prevailing social conditions can be adaptive in the context of demographic stochasticity. For instance, social flexibility can confer an advantage to an individual if the distribution of mating partners is unpredictable and greater reproductive fitness can be achieved by optimizing courtship behavior and/or mate choice depending on their immediate availability (Dukas 2008; Kasumovic and Brooks 2011). Such demographic stochasticity is likely after dispersal or migration and can have a large impact on subsequent population growth and evolution (Szűcs et al. 2014). Those individuals that can respond adaptively to different social environments may be favored in more recently founded populations. This could occur either because the most socially responsive genotypes present in the source population are more likely to survive and reproduce in a founding population, or because longer term demographic instability in colonizing populations might favor new mutations that confer greater social flexibility

(Whitlock 1992). Either mechanism leads to a directional prediction of greater social flexibility in more recently established populations, which can be tested by comparing social flexibility in populations with different colonization histories. In contrast, source populations with comparatively stable demographics are expected to experience relaxed selection with respect to socially flexible phenotypes because plasticity is commonly thought to impose fitness costs (DeWitt et al. 1998). Our prediction is that on average, individuals from more demographically stable source populations will show less responsiveness to variation in the social environment.

In this study, we use a field cricket, *T. oceanicus*, to test how social plasticity and sexual trait expression are linked to patterns of genetic divergence. *Teleogryllus oceanicus* is widely distributed throughout northern Australia and the Pacific (Otte and Alexander 1983). A previous population genetic study found that the crickets' range historically expanded from west to east, with evidence of successive bottlenecks as founding populations colonized island habitats (Tinghitella et al. 2011), so the system acts as a convenient natural laboratory in which we can study populations with some foreknowledge about their population genetic history (Fig. 1). In addition, sexual signals of *T. oceanicus* are well-characterized, consisting of songs produced by specialized forewing structures, and sex-specific cuticular hydrocarbons (CHCs). Cuticular hydrocarbons are long-chain waxy molecules expressed on the surface cuticle of most insects (Tregenza and Wedell 1997), and CHC profiles appear to be sexually selected in both sexes of *T. oceanicus* (Thomas and Simmons 2009, 2010).

We tested how CHC expression is affected by exposure to song. Male calling song is the only known long-range signal by which either sex of this species can detect the abundance and quality of sexually mature males in the local population. CHC expression in insects is notoriously flexible, and the social environment that males experience is a well-known environmental trigger of such flexibility (e.g., Kent et al. 2008; Chenoweth et al. 2010). CHC profiles in grylline crickets can indicate male qualities such as dominance (Kortet and Hedrick 2005) and attractiveness to females (Thomas and Simmons 2009). Previous work has demonstrated social flexibility in a range of reproductive traits in *T. oceanicus* and allied gryllids, including CHC expression (Bailey et al. 2010; Rebar et al. 2011; Thomas et al. 2011; Bailey and Zuk 2012; DiRienzo et al. 2012; Kasumovic et al. 2012; Tinghitella 2014). Thus, social information in the form of male song is readily available to receivers in the environment, making it a convenient means for manipulating the perception of sexually mature male rivals and testing the impact on a male trait that is known to affect mate choice and other social behaviors with considerable fitness consequences.

We used seven allopatric *T. oceanicus* populations reared in common-garden conditions to test the relationship between

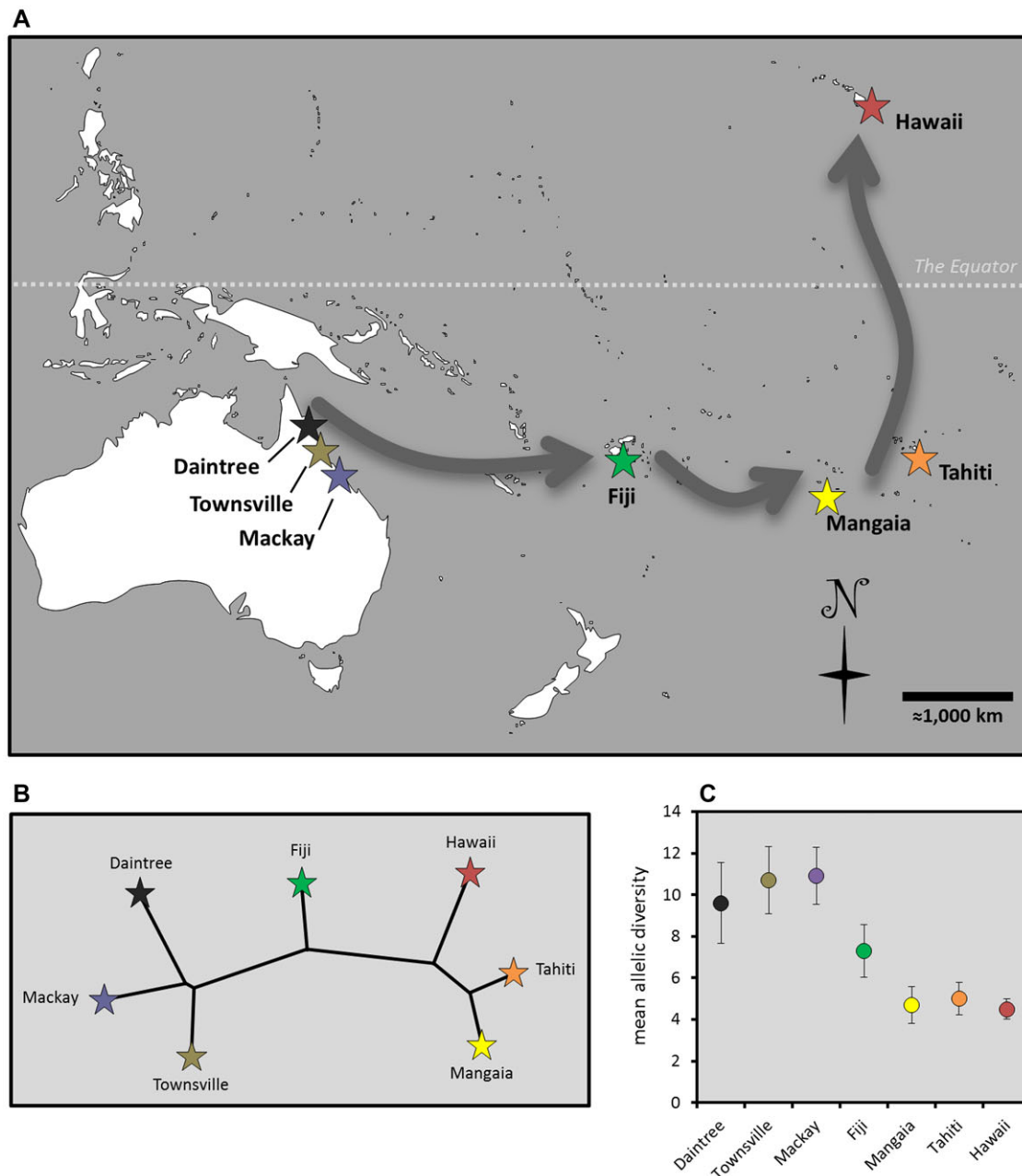


Figure 1. *Teleogryllus oceanicus* population genetics. (A) Stars indicate populations studied. The arrows show putative eastward range expansion (Tinghitella et al. 2011). (B) Unrooted neighbor-joining tree based on microsatellite allele frequencies, constructed using Nei et al.'s (1983) genetic distance, D_a . (C) Allelic diversity in each population. Circles indicate means and error bars represent one SE.

social flexibility in male CHC profiles and population genetic divergence. We were specifically interested in the idea that social flexibility in short-range CHC signals could influence the ability of founding individuals to cope with demographic instability. We tested the effects of social experience on CHC expression by using male calling song playbacks to manipulate the acoustic environment of developing male crickets. The experiment was designed to mimic variation that is likely to be encountered in an initial founding propagule, because an initial colonizing male or males

would perceive little to no conspecific song in the environment. We estimated the across population variance–covariance matrix (as a measure of genetic divergence) for CHCs and quantitatively tested whether divergence in CHC profiles supports an influence of sexual selection in population genetic divergence, above and beyond the action of drift. To evaluate support for the hypothesis that social flexibility is important for individuals in founding populations subject to unpredictable demographic fluctuations, we tested for population-level GSEIs in male CHC expression.

We lack the inbred lines necessary to test reaction norm variation of individual genotypes, but show below that *T. oceanicus* populations are genetically differentiated at neutral loci and thus the average genotype is likely to differ among populations. Finally, we tested the prediction that more recently founded populations of *T. oceanicus* exhibit greater social flexibility in male CHC expression.

Methods

POPULATION ORIGINS AND REARING

Laboratory populations of *T. oceanicus* were established from seven locations across the species' range: three from Australia, and four from Oceanic islands (Fig. 1, Table S1). Populations were derived from offspring of between approximately 20 and 40 females and males who were housed together for several days. Stock populations were maintained in common garden conditions within a growth chamber at 25°C on a photo-reversed 12:12 light: dark cycle, following established protocols (e.g., Bailey and Macleod 2014). Adults were reared in 16 L plastic containers at a density of approximately 30–50 individuals, and cleaned twice per week. Crickets were fed ad libitum with Burgess Excel Junior and Dwarf rabbit food and provided moist cotton pads for water and ovipositing and cardboard egg cartons for cover. When our protocol required crickets to be individually reared, we isolated them in 118 mL plastic cups and provided water, rabbit pellets, and cardboard egg carton. We used crickets that had experienced at least two generations of breeding in the laboratory to mitigate possible field-based maternal effects.

MOLECULAR GENETIC ANALYSIS

We amplified and scored 10 microsatellite loci in 24 individuals from each population (Tables S1 and S2). Six of the loci were previously developed by Beveridge and Simmons (2005): *Totri9a*, *Totri54*, *Totri55a*, *Totri57*, *Totri78*, and *Totri88a*. We developed the remaining four using the program msatcommander (Faircloth 2008) from published *T. oceanicus* transcriptome data generated using Roche 454 sequencing (Bailey et al. 2013). Candidates were filtered to ensure adequate flanking regions, and primers were designed within those flanking regions. Twenty potential microsatellites were tested and optimized, which yielded four polymorphic loci that we added to the present study: *Contig07712*, *Contig39588*, *Contig27208*, and *Contig 12396*.

Single hind femurs sampled from wild-caught individuals were preserved in 70% ethanol. Genomic DNA was extracted using a salt extraction procedure modified from the PureGene protocol (Gentra Systems). Microsatellites were amplified using multiplexing polymerase chain reaction (PCR) kits (Qiagen) and fluorescently labeled forward primers following the

manufacturer's protocol to a final volume of 10 μ L. The resulting fragments were sequenced on an ABI 3730 instrument at Edinburgh Genomics using GeneScan 600 LIZ as a size standard (Applied Biosystems). Allelic identities were scored and checked using Peak Scanner version 1.0 (Applied Biosystems). Details of primer sequences and PCR conditions are supplied in Table S2.

GenePop version 4.0.10 (Raymond and Rousset 1995, Rousset 2008) and FSTAT version 1.2 (Goudet 1995) were used to generate descriptive statistics (number of alleles, observed and expected heterozygosity), test locus-specific Hardy–Weinberg equilibrium, and estimate population pairwise F_{ST} values. The four microsatellite loci derived from transcriptome sequencing data might be less likely to reflect neutral patterns of genetic divergence than the originally published set of six, which were derived from whole-genome DNA digests. To test this possibility, we compared population pairwise F_{ST} estimates using a paired *t*-test and assessed the correlation between the two sets of markers. There was potential for pseudoreplication because data from each population appeared more than once in the analyses, so we confirmed results of the latter analysis using a Mantel test with $n = 999$ permutations, implemented in the Microsoft Excel add-in GenAlEx version 6.5 (Peakall and Smouse 2012). We found no qualitative difference between patterns of differentiation recovered from each set of loci (see Results) so we proceeded with all analyses using the full set of 10 markers. One population (Daintree) deviated significantly from Hardy–Weinberg equilibrium after Bonferroni correction, and one locus (*Totri78*) showed a similar pattern across all populations after Bonferroni correction (see Results). The latter locus was previously suggested to be susceptible to null alleles (Beveridge and Simmons 2005), but we retained it after verifying that its exclusion did not qualitatively affect estimates of genetic differentiation.

There is debate over the relative merits of different measures of population genetic structure, so we calculated three measures in addition to F_{ST} using GenAlEx version 6.5 (Peakall and Smouse 2012; Verity and Nichols 2014). F'_{ST} , D_{EST} , and G'_{ST} are standardized measures of genetic differentiation that range from [0,1] (Peakall and Smouse 2012). They may be more suitable for constructing relatedness matrices because F_{ST} can be constrained and never reach the value of 1, making it difficult to achieve standardized comparisons with other variables (Meirmans and Hedrick 2011). We detected significant genetic differentiation among the majority of populations (see Results). We used Nei's D_a (Nei et al. 1983) to visualize this, building a distance matrix with the program Populations version 1.2.32 (Langella 1999). We used Phylip version 3.695 (Felsenstein 1989) modules "Neighbor" and "Drawtree" to produce an unrooted phylogram (Tinghitella et al. 2011) using the n-Body algorithm, which we redrew and labeled in Microsoft PowerPoint version 14.0.7159.500.

SONG RECORDING, ANALYSIS, AND PLAYBACK

Male calling song was recorded for about 20 males from each population (Table S1). Adult males were isolated in 118 mL plastic cups arrayed in a dark room under red light at $25 \pm 2^\circ\text{C}$. Recordings were made during the dark phase of the crickets' light:dark cycle using a directional Sennheiser ME66 microphone. Ten complete songs from each recorded individual were manually analyzed using Sony Sound Forge 7.0a. For each song, we measured carrier frequency using fast Fourier transform with a 32,768 Blackmann–Harris smoothing window, the durations of sound pulses, and durations of interpulse intervals. Song data from two populations, Daintree and Townsville, have been reported in a previous study (Bailey and Macleod 2014). We used the average call parameters across populations in subsequent acoustic manipulations to ensure playbacks did not favor one population over another.

We constructed six artificial playback songs following the method of Brooks et al. (2005). Research on a sister species, *Teleogryllus commodus*, has highlighted the importance of variation in social cues for triggering socially flexible changes (Kasumovic et al. 2011). Therefore, we designed our acoustic treatment to mimic an environment in which male calling song varied in several key parameters, while the overall mean values and variance for each song trait was held at or close to the average across populations. This also provided a more realistic representation of an acoustic environment likely to be encountered in the field, in which male calling song parameters vary (Simmons et al. 2001). We first manipulated five song traits: (1) carrier frequency, (2) the number of long chirps, (3) the long–short chirp interval, (4) the number of short chirps, and (5) intersong interval. These were selected on the basis of prior work in *T. commodus* (Brooks et al. 2005), which estimated multivariate selection acting on song components. Next, we individually adjusted all five parameters of each playback song by multiplying the global SD of each trait by z , which determined the number and direction of SDs by which to shift each trait value. We calculated z by generating random numbers between [0,1] and obtaining the inverse of the standard normal distribution corresponding to each number using NORMSINV in Microsoft Excel (Microsoft Corp., Redmond, WA; Brooks et al. 2005). During construction of one song playback (playback 6), the number of long chirps was kept at five instead of seven as was indicated by the above procedure; this was not noted until after data collection was complete. The resulting set of six songs that we selected therefore varied in a largely independent manner for the five traits, yet retained trait means and SDs similar to the global values calculated across all populations. Several other traits in our playback songs also varied owing to inherent covariation among some parameters, and we designed the acoustic manipulation below to ensure that crickets from all populations experienced the same acoustic environment

to avoid confounding effects. Final values for all playback song parameters are given in Table S3.

To construct playbacks with the required trait values, we excised one representative long chirp pulse and one representative short chirp pulse from a laboratory recording, and manually copied and pasted these using Sony Sound Forge 7.0a. Carrier frequency was manipulated using the “pitch adjustment” option in Sony Sound Forge 7.0a, and pulse lengths and interpulse intervals were altered where necessary to keep the unmanipulated song parameters as close to constant as possible. To do this, we trimmed pulses to the correct duration and then used the “fade out” option to reshape the sound envelope.

MANIPULATION OF THE ACOUSTIC ENVIRONMENT

We manipulated the acoustic environment of male crickets during rearing to mimic either a population that has a high density of singing males (“Song” treatment) or a contrasting population that lacked male song (“No Song” treatment). Following previously published protocols (e.g., Kasumovic et al. 2011; Thomas et al. 2011; Bailey and Zuk 2012; Bailey and Macleod 2014), we played back the six artificially constructed male calling songs on a continuous loop within Jencons LMS Series 4 cooled incubators (Model 600). The temperature was set at 25°C and the same 12-h light:12-h dark cycle was used as for stock populations. Individual 118 mL cricket containers were positioned on trays lined with foam to dampen echoes, above which were suspended Sony SRS-m30 computer speakers attached to CD players (Sony model D-EJ021). Using a CEM-DT 805 sound-level meter, we adjusted the sound pressure level of each playback to approximately 80 dB at the position of the container lids, which simulated, after the acoustic impedance of the lid, about 70 dB calling song at a cricket's position. Playbacks were timed to coincide with the dark phase of the crickets' light:dark cycle. The No Song treatment was similar in all respects except that no song was played back. The use of two social environments precluded investigation of fine-scale shape of the reaction norms recovered, but provided a feasible manipulation with which to estimate and compare reaction norm slopes for our seven populations (Pigliucci 2001).

Four replicate incubators were set up and run simultaneously, with two assigned to each acoustic treatment. For each population, we isolated males and haphazardly assigned them to one of the four incubators when sex differences became apparent. Isolated males were reared in their assigned incubator until adulthood, with food, water, shelter, and their position within the incubator changed twice weekly. Upon adult eclosion, we surgically removed the scraper from the left forewing of all crickets; this ensured that males would not sing and disrupt the acoustic treatments. A further seven to 10 days after eclosion, males were removed from the incubator, flash frozen in their plastic

containers for several minutes at -20°C , then placed whole into 4 mL glass vials (QMX Laboratories) and stored at -80°C .

CHC EXTRACTION AND ANALYSIS

To extract CHCs, 4 mL of HPLC-grade hexane (Fisher Scientific) was added to each vial containing a frozen cricket. Crickets were removed after 5 min of immersion and the resulting stock extractions were stored at -20°C . Subsequently, 100 μL of the extract was aliquoted into 300 μL autosampler vials (Fisher Scientific) and evaporated overnight under a fume hood, leaving only extracted CHCs in the vial. After removal from the hexane wash, each cricket's pronotum length was measured as an estimate of body size.

CHC samples were reconstituted in 100 μL of hexane containing an internal standard (10 ppm pentadecane). We injected a 2 μL sample of this CHC extract into a gas chromatography mass spectrometer (GC-MS; Agilent 7890 GC coupled with an Agilent 5975B MS and a CTC PAL autosampler chilled to 5°C) fitted with a DB-WAX column (30 m \times 0.25 mm internal diameter, film = 0.25 μm) using helium as the carrier gas (at a flow rate of 1.1 mL/min). We set the inlet temperature to 250°C and the injection was conducted in split-less mode. We optimized the separation of the CHC extract using a column profile that started at 50°C for 1 min, then rose at 20°C per minute to 250°C , before holding at this final temperature for 30 min (total run time = 41 min). We set the MS transfer line at 230°C . The electron-impact mass spectra (EI-MS) were recorded with an ionization voltage of 70 eV and a source temperature of 230°C . A C_7 – C_{40} straight-chained alkane standard was also run to calculate retention indices for each CHC peak (see Table S4).

We calculated the abundance of each CHC peak using MSD CHEMSTATION software (version E.02.00.493; Agilent Technologies) as the area under the peak on the chromatograph (Fig. S1). Methyl branched alkanes were identified using Kovat's retention indices and mass spectra (Carlson et al. 1998). Where possible, the position of double bonds in unsaturated compounds was determined by derivitization with dimethyldisulfide (DMDS) and interpretation of the resulting mass spectra (Francis and Veland 1981). Two of the peaks were labeled as unidentified, due to their consistently low abundance and the poor quality of their mass spectra. The relative abundance of each peak was measured using ion 57 as the target ion.

STATISTICAL ANALYSES

Prior to analysis, we divided the abundance of each CHC peak by the abundance of the internal standard (pentadecane at 10 ppm), and the resulting value was \log_{10} transformed (creating a log contrast for each peak) to achieve a normal distribution. Analyses and map construction were performed in R version 2.15.2

(R Core Team 2012; Becker and Wilks 2013a,b), SPSS version 21 and ASREML.

Due to the large number of CHC peaks, we used two multivariate approaches to reduce the dimensionality of our data: discriminant function (DF) and principal component (PC) analysis. We used DF analysis to visualize the differences in male CHC expression across populations. We used the Wilks' lambda (λ) statistic to determine which DFs are statistically significant (six DFs were significant in our analysis) and interpret factor loading greater than $|0.30|$ as biologically significant (Tabachnik and Fidell 1989). Moreover, we use generalized cross-validated (GCV) scores to assess the accuracy of DF analysis to correctly classify our datapoints according to population. A limitation of this approach is that data can only be separated according to a single factor (i.e., population), which is not compatible with our multifactorial experimental design. We therefore used PC analysis to extract PCs that could be analyzed in more complex linear models (Steiger et al. 2013). PCs were extracted from all crickets together (based on the correlation matrix) to ensure that PC scores were directly comparable across levels in our analysis (i.e., populations, social environments). Because we ignored population as a factor when PCs were extracted, the resulting eigenvectors are orthogonal at the phenotypic level, but not necessarily at the genetic level. This enabled us to estimate population-level genetic covariance structure based on PCs (Moore 1997). We retained PCs with eigenvalues exceeding 1 for further analysis ($n = 6$) and also interpret factor loadings that exceed $|0.30|$ as biologically important (Tabachnik and Fidell 1989). DF and PC analyses were conducted in IBM SPSS (version 21). We formally tested for and characterized the hypothesized sources of variation in CHC profiles using a series of linear models. For each of the PCs describing the variation in male CHC expression, we fitted the fixed effect model:

$$PC_n \sim \mu + \text{Social} + \text{Population} + \text{Social} \cdot \text{Population} \\ + \text{Incubator} | \text{Social} + \text{PW} + \epsilon, \quad (\text{model 1})$$

where μ is the intercept, "Social" is a two-level factor encompassing the social environment (i.e., song vs. no song), "Population" is a seven-level fixed factor denoting population of origin and "PW" (pronotum width, mean centered) is included as a linear covariate to control for body size effects. Two replicate incubators were used within each level of the social environment treatment and "Incubator|Social" was therefore included to prevent any bias from incubator effects. ϵ represents the random error term.

We then reformulated this as a mixed model with "Population" included as a random rather than a fixed effect. Because "Social.Population" and "Incubator|Social" were never significant under model 1 (see Results), we dropped these to fit the simplified model:

$$PC_n \sim \mu + \text{Social} + \text{PW} + \text{Population} + \varepsilon, \quad (\text{model 2})$$

where “Population” is a random effect and assumed to come from a normal distribution with a mean of zero and variance to be estimated (V_{POP}). PC scores were modeled in SD units such that V_{POP} is interpretable as the proportion of phenotypic variance due to genetic differences among populations. This simple mixed model was then extended in two ways. First, we extended it to the multivariate case to estimate the full among population genetic variance–covariance matrix among PCs. Second, for each of the six PCs, we partitioned V_{POP} into components comprising (1) genetic variance consistent with divergence under drift alone (V_{POPdrift}), and (2) additional genetic variance (beyond neutral expectations) that would be indicative of divergent selection (V_{POPsel}). To do this, we added an additional random effect such that:

$$PC_n \sim \mu + \text{Social} + \text{PW} + \text{Pop}_{\text{drift}} + \text{Pop}_{\text{sel}} + \varepsilon, \quad (\text{model 3})$$

where we assume that the expected genetic covariance between any pair of observations on populations (Pop_{ij}) under a neutral model of among-population divergence equal to $(1 - F'_{STij})$ is V_{POPdrift} (where F'_{ST} is the microsatellite-based measure of genetic distance scaling from 0 to 1 as described above). The second random effect of “Pop_{sel}” is modeled identically to the simple random effect of population under model 2 to estimate V_{POPsel} . To test whether genetic variation among populations was greater than expected under drift alone, we therefore compared model 3 to a reduced model in which “Pop_{sel}” was omitted. All linear models were fitted using restricted maximum likelihood with conditional F tests used for inference on fixed effects. We used likelihood ratio tests (LRT) for inference on random effects but caution that the asymptotic approximation of this test statistic to a χ^2 distribution may not give reliable results with only seven levels of the random effect (i.e., distinct populations). We therefore provide P values but stress they should be interpreted cautiously.

We performed a post hoc analysis upon detecting an interesting pattern in our population genetic results (below), which suggested a genetic break between mainland and island populations with a corresponding decline in allelic richness (Fig. 1). To test whether social flexibility was related to qualitative differences between mainland versus island populations, as opposed to finer scale quantitative differences reflecting colonization history, we expanded model 1 with additional terms to include land-type effects. These specified whether populations were derived from mainland Australia or islands (Landtype), accounted for among-population variation by nesting Population within Landtype (Population|Landtype), and tested whether mainland and island populations showed different reaction norm slopes (Social.Landtype) or whether populations within a given land

type responded differently to the social manipulation (Social.Population|Landtype):

$$PC_n \sim \mu + \text{Social} + \text{Landtype} + \text{Social.Landtype} \\ + \text{Incubator} | \text{Social} + \text{Population} | \text{Landtype} \\ + \text{Social.Population} | \text{Landtype} + \text{PW} + \varepsilon. \quad (\text{model 4})$$

Results

POPULATION GENETICS

Populations were genetically differentiated, with all but two pairwise F_{ST} comparisons statistically significant after Bonferroni correction ($\alpha = 0.0024$; Table 1). Patterns of differentiation calculated using the methods of F'_{ST} , G'_{ST} , and D_{EST} yielded qualitatively similar results (Table 1). Estimates of F_{ST} derived from the previously published markers and our transcriptome-based markers were not different (paired t -test: $N = 21$, $t = 0.28$, $P = 0.781$), and population pairwise distance estimates were positively correlated among the two sets of loci (Pearson correlation: $N = 21$, $r = 0.665$, $P = 0.001$; Mantel test: $N = 21$, $r_{xy} = 0.665$, $P = 0.002$).

Allele numbers for the 10 loci ranged between 7 and 35 and are detailed in Table S2. In contrast to Beveridge and Simmons (2005), we found no pattern of heterozygosity deficit consistent with X-linkage at *Totri88a*: observed global heterozygosity of 0.636 did not depart significantly from the expectation of 0.617 ($P = 0.496$), and when examined by population, it only deviated from Hardy–Weinberg equilibrium (HWE) in Daintree ($P < 0.001$). When analyzed separately by sex, Daintree remained the only population showing a significant male heterozygote deficit ($P < 0.001$); all remaining sexes and populations were in HWE at *Totri88a* (all $P \geq 0.269$). Patterns of genetic differentiation across Australia and Oceania were consistent with Tinghitella et al. (2011) and suggest a phylogeographic break corresponding approximately to populations in the Polynesian Triangle (Fig. 1B). Mean allelic diversity (Fig. 1C) confirmed this pattern, and was consistent with the progressive loss of alleles in more easterly populations found by Tinghitella et al. (2011). However, with the exception of Fiji, allelic diversity was largely similar among mainland Australian populations, and among Oceanic populations, suggesting a biologically relevant distinction among mainland versus island populations.

POPULATION DIVERGENCE IN MALE CHC PROFILES

GC-MS analysis of male CHC extracts revealed 26 individual CHCs ranging in chain length from C_{28} to C_{33} and consisting of a mixture of methylalkanes, dimethylalkanes, alkenes, and alkadienes (Table S4 and Fig. S1). PC analysis of these 26 CHC peaks yielded six PCs with eigenvalues exceeding 1, which collectively explain 75.85% of the total variation in male CHC expression.

Table 1. Genetic differentiation in pairwise comparisons between populations.

	Tahiti	Mangaia	Daintree	Fiji	Mackay	Townsville	Hawaii
Tahiti		0.038 0.094 0.038 0.058	0.221 0.614 0.221 0.502	0.145 0.391 0.145 0.282	0.157 0.552 0.155 0.437	0.128 0.450 0.127 0.347	0.100 0.260 0.100 0.183
Mangaia	***		0.214 0.609 0.213 0.495	0.120 0.334 0.120 0.234	0.150 0.542 0.147 0.423	0.124 0.455 0.123 0.345	0.094 0.252 0.094 0.175
Daintree	***	***		0.075 0.213 0.075 0.170	0.056 0.281 0.056 0.182	0.052 0.209 0.052 0.170	0.185 0.573 0.185 0.470
Fiji	***	***	***		0.088 0.359 0.087 0.276	0.059 0.237 0.059 0.182	0.128 0.378 0.128 0.286
Mackay	***	***	0.005	***		0.004 0.055 0.004 0.020	0.118 0.487 0.118 0.376
Townsville	***	***	***	***	0.080		0.107 0.429 0.106 0.337
Hawaii	***	***	***	***	***	***	

Estimates of F_{ST} , F'_{ST} , G'_{ST} (Nei), and D_{EST} (Jost's D) are given in each cell in descending order. P values for pairwise F_{ST} estimates across all loci are indicated below the diagonal ($P \leq 0.001$ is indicated by asterisks ***).

Table S5 in the Supporting Information provides eigenvalues and factor loading scores for the six PCs associated with CHC variation. PC1 accounts for 38.40% of the variance in male CHC expression and is positively loaded to each CHC peak. Consequently, this vector describes the absolute amount of CHCs produced by a male. PC2 explained a further 16.53% of the variation in male CHC expression and was positively loaded to eight peaks (peaks 17–21 and 24–26) and negatively loaded to five peaks (peaks 11 and 13–16). Based on the retention times of these peaks (Fig. S1), this vector describes the trade-off between long- and short-chained CHCs. PC3 explained a further 7.28% of the variation in male CHC expression and was positively loaded to five peaks (peaks 1, 6, 10, 12, and 13) and negatively loaded to three peaks (peaks 5, 20, and 25) and therefore also describes the trade-off between specific CHCs, but is unrelated to chain length. PC4 explained a further 5.14% of the variation in male CHC expression and is positively loaded to two peaks (peaks 22 and 23) and negatively loaded to two peaks (peaks 12 and 13). Thus, this vector is similar to PC2 in describing the trade-off between long- and short-chained CHCs. PC5 explains a further 4.56% of the variance in male CHC expression and is positively

loaded to four peaks (peaks 1, 8, 9, and 22) and negatively loaded to two peaks (peaks 10 and 25). Consequently this vector is similar to PC3 in describing the trade-off between specific CHCs that are unrelated to chain length. Finally, PC6 explains the remaining 3.92% of the variation in male CHC expression and is positively loaded to three peaks (peaks 9, 21, and 22) and therefore this vector represents an increased expression of these specific CHCs.

Model 1 provides evidence for significant population differences in all PCs that describe the variation in male CHC expression (Table 2). This population divergence in male CHC expression can be clearly visualized along the first two DFs (Fig. 2) and shows a close resemblance to the difference in allelic frequencies observed across populations (Fig. 1C). In total, 17 of the 26 CHC peaks contributed to one or both of these DFs (Table S6) and the analysis correctly classified 63.2% of cross-validated grouped cases. The success of this analysis, however, varied substantially across populations with GCV scores being lower for the three Australian populations (Daintree = 47.4%, Mackay = 52.8%, and Townsville = 51.6%) than the four Oceanic populations (Fiji = 72.2%, Mangaia = 72.5%,

Table 2. Univariate linear models for the PCs describing variation in male CHC profiles (model 1) showing estimated fixed effects and significance assessed from conditional *F* tests.

	Model term	Coefficient (SE)	df	<i>F</i>	<i>P</i>
PC1	μ	-0.087 (0.133)	1,751	0.00	0.996
	PW	1.142 (0.128)	1,751	79.49	<0.001
	Social	0.163 (0.187)	1,751	14.57	<0.001
	Social.Incubator	0.014 (0.087)	2,751	0.03	0.971
		-0.015 (0.084)			
		Population		6,751	18.95
	Social.Population		6,751	1.34	0.237
PC2	μ	-0.874 (0.141)	1,751	0.00	1.000
	PW	1.048 (0.136)	1,751	59.69	<0.001
	Social	0.102 (0.198)	1,751	0.52	0.470
	Social.Incubator	0.055 (0.092)	2,751	0.24	0.788
		-0.031 (0.089)			
		Population		6,751	36.29
	Social.Population		6,751	0.78	0.590
PC3	μ	0.833 (0.127)	1,751	0.00	1.000
	PW	-0.003 (0.123)	1,751	0.00	0.980
	Social	-0.450 (0.179)	1,751	27.63	<0.001
	Social.Incubator	-0.049 (0.083)	2,751	0.71	0.495
		-0.083 (0.081)			
		Population		6,751	49.35
	Social.Population		6,751	0.86	0.521
PC4	μ	0.182 (0.148)	1,751	0.00	1.000
	PW	-0.224 (0.143)	1,751	2.44	0.121
	Social	0.39 (0.208)	1,751	3.68	0.057
	Social.Incubator	0.087 (0.097)	2,751	0.75	0.472
		0.078 (0.094)			
		Population		6,751	17.36
	Social.Population		6,751	1.81	0.094
PC5	μ	-0.246 (0.152)	1,751	0.00	0.991
	PW	0.092 (0.146)	1,751	0.39	0.528
	Social	-0.289 (0.213)	1,751	0.79	0.375
	Social.Incubator	0.042 (0.099)	2,751	0.38	0.681
		-0.074 (0.096)			
		Population		6,751	10.43
	Social.Population		6,751	1.24	0.284
PC6	μ	0.007 (0.152)	1,751	0.00	1.000
	PW	0.299 (0.146)	1,751	4.17	0.043
	Social	-0.338 (0.214)	1,751	0.01	0.899
	Social.Incubator	0.12 (0.099)	2,751	0.73	0.481
		-0.009 (0.096)			
		Population		6,751	13.15
	Social.Population		6,751	1.54	0.164

Note that the "Social" coefficient denotes the effect of experiencing the song treatment relative to no song, while the two "Social.Incubator" treatments denote the difference in trait mean between incubators within the song and no song treatments. Coefficients for "Population" and "Social.Population" are not presented in full here but these effects are shown in Figure 2.

Tahiti = 75.9%, and Hilo = 66.1%), indicating that the former populations could not be as accurately classified as the latter populations.

SOCIAL EFFECTS ON MALE CHC PROFILES

Social environment effects were also found for PC1 and PC3 and approached significance for PC4 (Table 2). Collectively, this

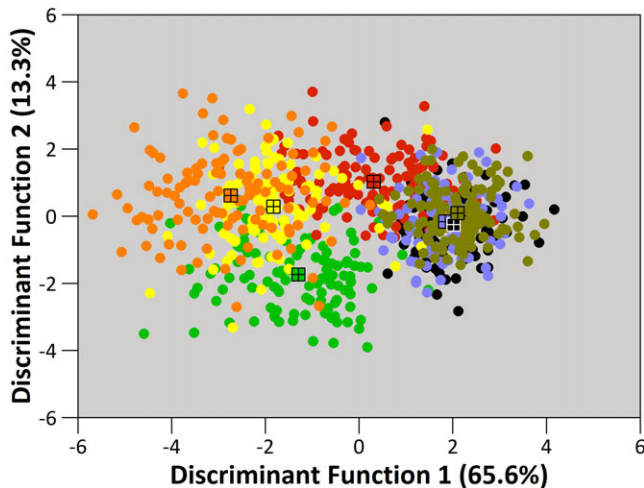


Figure 2. The separation of male CHC expression across populations according to the first two discriminant functions (DF1 and DF2, CHC peak loadings are provided in Table S5). Together, these functions explain 78.9% of the variation in male CHC expression. Individual datapoints are provided as circles and the population centroids in squares (with crosshairs). Populations are color-coded to match Figure 1.

demonstrates that male CHC expression is influenced by both genetic and social environment effects. However, we found no statistical support for Social.Population effects and therefore no evidence for genotype by (social) environment interaction at the among-population level. Thus, while the mean expression of CHCs differs across populations, and to a lesser degree across social environments, there was no difference in the slopes of the reaction norms describing how each population responds to the two social environments examined here (Fig. 3). PC1, PC2, and PC6 all increased significantly with male body size (pronotum width), and there was no evidence of incubator effects within each treatment (Table 2).

Post hoc analyses uncovered minimal evidence that males from mainland Australian versus island populations modified their CHC expression differently depending on the prevailing acoustic environment (Table S7). The critical Landtype.Social interaction term only marginally approached significance for PC2 and PC6 (GLMs for PC2 and PC6, respectively: $F_{3,751} = 3.83$, $P = 0.052$; $F_{3,751} = 3.88$, $P = 0.051$). These PCs explained 16.5 and 3.9% of total CHC variance, respectively. For PC2, which explained the greater amount of variance, the estimated average effect of experiencing the song environment reversed direction in mainland versus island populations, as indicated by coefficients of 0.102 versus -0.139 . Although this reversal was not significant, it illustrates that the absolute magnitude of social flexibility described by PC2 did not differ among mainland or island populations, though the direction of the response did.

RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN CHC PROFILES AND GENETIC DIVERGENCE

Univariate formulations of model 2 confirmed these findings and yielded estimates of V_{POP} that ranged from 10 to 40% of the total phenotypic variance across populations and were all nominally significant based on LRTs (see Table S8). Under the multivariate formulation (model 3), inclusion of population covariance among the PCs describing variation in male CHC profiles significantly improved the model ($\chi^2_{21} = 31.74$, $P = 0.007$) such that we conclude there is evidence for genetic covariance among, as well as variance in, individual CHC traits. The corresponding genetic correlation estimates (as well as V_{POP} scaled by V_P) from the six-trait model are shown in Table 3.

However, while it is clear that there is genetic (co)variation among populations in the PCs that describe the variation in male CHCs, we found no evidence for significantly greater divergence than expected under a neutral model (Table 4). In four of the six traits, the estimate of V_{POPsel} was bound to zero, while divergence by drift explains 67 and 95% of genetic variation in PC1 and PC5, respectively.

Discussion

Decades of research have emphasized the importance of sexual selection in the elaboration of sexual ornaments and preferences (Andersson and Simmons 2006), and it is widely suggested to be a potent accelerator of evolutionary change (Fisher 1915; Lande 1981; Mendelson and Shaw 2005). Nevertheless, researchers have not reached consensus on whether and in what circumstances sexual selection contributes causally to the development of reproductive isolation, thereby “driving” evolutionary diversification (Ritchie 2007; Rodríguez et al. 2013a; Safran et al. 2013; Scordato et al. 2014). The core of the debate centers on whether sexual selection itself is a diversifying source of selection on ornaments and preferences in different populations, or whether sexual selection is more akin to a background process that translates ecological selection or drift into variation in reproductively isolating traits (Ritchie 2007). Under the latter scenario, sexual selection need not be the causative selective force driving diversification of sexual traits and preferences. Instead, it might act to exaggerate sexual traits in a direction constrained by ecological or biotic factors, as has been illustrated in a recent study of the tree-hopper *Enchenopa binotata* (Rebar and Rodríguez 2015). This is more than just a semantic argument: the architects of the modern synthesis recognized that it is necessary to partition the potentially overlapping effects of stochastic processes such as founder events and drift from different forms of selection to understand evolutionary diversification (Coyne and Orr 2004).

The fact that sexually selected trait expression may also be flexible depending on the social environment adds further

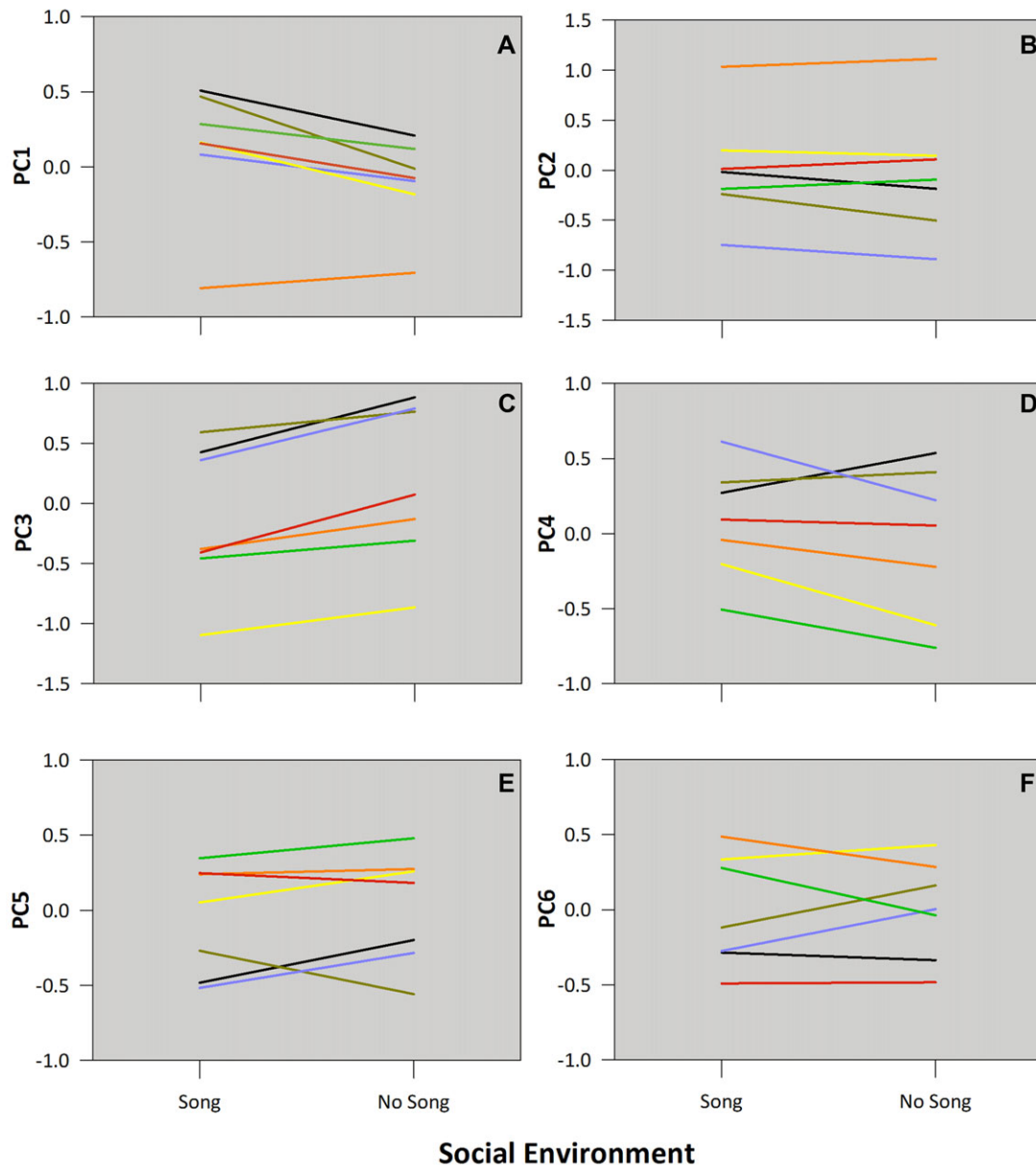


Figure 3. Reaction norms showing the response of the six PCs (A–F) describing variation in male CHCs in each population to the social environment. Mean PC values in each population and environment are expressed as best linear unbiased estimators (BLUEs) from a linear model. Populations are color-coded to match Figure 1.

Table 3. Estimated genetic (co)variance structure showing among-population variances (diagonal), covariances (below diagonal), and correlations (above diagonal) among CHC traits.

	PC1	PC2	PC3	PC4	PC5	PC6
PC1	0.127 (0.078)	−0.793 (0.172)	0.369 (0.37)	0.237 (0.413)	−0.415 (0.381)	−0.577 (0.309)
PC2	−0.162 (0.109)	0.327 (0.194)	−0.55 (0.294)	−0.446 (0.347)	0.642 (0.273)	0.504 (0.332)
PC3	0.083 (0.101)	−0.199 (0.171)	0.399 (0.235)	0.906 (0.099)	−0.87 (0.143)	−0.563 (0.306)
PC4	0.035 (0.067)	−0.107 (0.112)	0.241 (0.150)	0.177 (0.111)	−0.900 (0.239)	−0.579 (0.328)
PC5	−0.052 (0.059)	0.128 (0.102)	−0.192 (0.124)	−0.133 (0.085)	0.123 (0.083)	0.367 (0.399)
PC6	−0.067 (0.058)	0.094 (0.089)	−0.115 (0.101)	−0.079 (0.069)	0.042 (0.056)	0.105 (0.067)

Note that phenotypic variances are standardized to 1, so values on diagonal represent the proportion of total variance explained by genetic differentiation. SEs are provided in parentheses for all parameter estimates.

Table 4. Estimated proportion of among-population variance attributable to drift under model 3 for the six PCs that describe the variation in male CHC expression.

	Proportion of genetic variance explained by drift (SE)	LnL (model 3)	LnL (drift only)	χ^2_1	<i>P</i>
PC1	0.667 (0.571)	−262.650	−261.717	1.866	0.172
PC2	1 (−)	−305.491	−305.491	0	1
PC3	1 (−)	−229.520	−229.520	0	1
PC4	1 (−)	−347.499	−347.499	0	1
PC5	0.951 (0.171)	−361.356	−361.263	0.186	0.666
PC6	1 (−)	−363.243	−363.243	0	1

Also shown are LRT comparisons of model 3 to a reduced (drift only) model of among-population differentiation.

complications to evaluating the role of sexual selection in divergence (Cornwallis and Uller 2010). However, it also provides a testable prediction: if social effects on expression of sexually selected traits vary in different populations, the ensuing evolutionary dynamics generated by feedback arising from the social environment could push trait evolution in different directions in different populations (Bailey and Moore 2012; Rebar and Rodríguez 2013, 2015; Wolf et al. 2014). Across multiple allopatric populations of *T. oceanicus*, we found abundant evidence for variation in a male trait suspected to be under sexual selection—CHC profiles. In addition, accumulating evidence suggests CHC profiles respond with particular sensitivity to cues or signals in the social environment (Kent et al. 2008; Thomas et al. 2011; Gershman et al. 2014), and consistent with this, we found that exposure to acoustic signals during rearing in the form of male calling songs also modulated the expression of some combinations of male CHCs. Nevertheless, we did not detect evidence of population-level gene by (social) environment interactions in CHC expression. Male crickets from populations across a wide portion of the *T. oceanicus* range responded in a consistent manner to the presence or absence of calling songs in their rearing environment.

Gene by (social) environment interactions ensue when social effects are not homogeneous among populations that are genetically divergent, and such GSEIs are predicted to contribute to different responses to selection for the traits involved (Wolf et al. 2014). However, this appears not to be the case for male CHC profiles in the cricket populations we studied. Reaction norms describing social effects on multivariate PCs did depart significantly from a slope of zero, yet the slope and magnitude of reaction norms was similar across populations. Our analysis is necessarily limited by the fact that we were unable to sample individual genotypes. For instance, GSEIs might occur within a population, but when estimated at the population level could be obscured owing to the effects of averaging across numerous sampled genotypes (Pigliucci 2001). Nevertheless, we found no evidence that social flexibility differed among *T. oceanicus* populations. This lack of population-level GSEIs stands in contrast to a prior study

that described variation in IGEs in female choosiness in the same species (Bailey and Zuk 2012). Although GSEIs and IGEs are not equivalent—because genetic variation is not required to underlie different social environments contributing to GSEIs—variation among populations in the strength and/or direction of IGEs would imply GSEIs. The latter study estimated variation among five populations in the parameter ψ , which describes the magnitude and direction of IGEs arising from the social environment. Significant variation in ψ suggests GSEIs, and despite the clear differences between the two studies (different populations, sexes, and traits), the reasons why some apparently labile traits exhibit GSEIs and why others do not remain an open question. Chenoweth et al. (2010) showed that applying experimental sexual selection pressure to populations of *D. serrata* could result in the evolution of IGEs on CHC expression in this species. The *D. serrata* findings illustrate that reaction norms describing responses to social environments need not be fixed, and if genetic variation exists for reaction norm shape, we might similarly expect GSEIs to evolve over time.

There were compelling reasons to consider that mainland and island populations of *T. oceanicus* might show different dynamics of CHC expression and social flexibility, including an apparent phylogeographic break around the Polynesian Triangle and lower allelic diversity in island populations (Fig. 1). These patterns contrasted counterintuitively with the higher variability in CHC expression we found in island populations (Fig. 2). Historical biogeography drives unusual sexual selection dynamics in many systems, for example, the lizard *Podarcis gaigeae* (Rune-mark et al. 2001), and numerous arthropods (Gillespie and Rod-erick 2002). In *T. oceanicus*, asymmetric female discrimination of song-deficient males is correlated with the putative colonization history of populations across the species range (Tinghitella and Zuk 2009). However, we did not find an unambiguous difference between mainland and island populations in socially flexible CHC expression: average CHC profiles differed between the land types, but mainland and island populations responded similarly to acoustic experience. The interaction between land type and social experience approached significance at the $\alpha = 0.05$ level

for two PCs describing CHC variation, but the effect appeared to be weak. A possible explanation for this is that social flexibility in CHC expression has important fitness consequences that are relatively consistent across ecological contexts. Its additional functions in establishing dominance and modulating aggressive encounters (Kortet and Hedrick 2005) may place constraints on the evolution of plasticity. Interactions among signal modalities are increasingly recognized to affect the dynamics of sexual selection (Reichert and Höbel 2015), and it would be beneficial to consider whether we predict similar degrees and directions of social flexibility for signaling traits in different modalities and channels.

Our experimental design enabled us to estimate an among population genetic covariance matrix for components of CHC profiles in male *T. oceanicus*. The estimates revealed modest genetic variance for the PCs that describe CHC variation, but generally low genetic covariances among these PCs. In our analysis, we extracted PCs at the phenotypic, not the genetic, level (Kirkpatrick and Meyer 2004). Although in general PC axes are not expected to show phenotypic covariation owing to their orthogonal construction, genetic covariance among PC axes can nonetheless be estimated (Moore 1997). An absence of genetic covariance among PCs does not imply absence of genetic covariance among CHCs, as the PCs are themselves composites of individual CHC traits. However, the apparently negligible genetic integration revealed in the population genetic covariance matrix might help explain why not all PCs showed evidence of social flexibility in response to the acoustic environment. If different axes of variation in male CHC expression are coordinated by loci that tend not to be in linkage disequilibrium, selection on male CHC expression may be relatively unconstrained and plasticity in one component need not correlate with plasticity in another. In insect species where CHC variation has been genetically mapped, perhaps unsurprisingly, phenotypic variation tends to localize to many quantitative trait loci (e.g., Niehuis et al. 2011). The best studied are drosophilids, in which a number of *desaturase* and *elongase* genes have been identified as affecting the synthesis and expression of CHCs (Howard and Blomquist 2005). However, there is evidence for substantial genetic decoupling of CHC blends in *D. melanogaster* (Foley et al. 2007), consistent with our finding of low genetic covariance between the PCs describing CHC variation across populations.

Having found considerable variation in CHC expression across populations due to a combination of genes and the social environment (but not GSEIs), there remains one piece of evidence addressing our hypothesis about the role of male CHCs in population divergence. That is, our ability to explain population variation in CHCs using models that compare the predictive power of drift, derived from an analysis of putatively neutral loci, versus drift plus the action of selection. Again, we found no evidence

to support the idea that sexual selection has shaped population variation in male CHC profiles. Assuming that the microsatellite loci used in this study are selectively neutral, levels of CHC variation observed among populations are not greater than might be expected under drift alone. The pattern of allelic drop out across mainland Australia and successive Oceanic island populations indicates eastward expansion with successive bottlenecks in founding populations, a situation in which drift is expected to exert a powerful influence on the genetic and phenotypic composition of populations. We acknowledge that our analysis may not have been refined enough to detect subtle influences of sexual selection on CHC divergence above and beyond strong effects of drift in a small number of island populations, and indeed other forms of selection may also act on CHC profiles. Insect CHCs have a known function in desiccation resistance, and although *T. oceanicus* populations are found in similar environments across their tropical range, microhabitat differences might exert selection on CHC composition. However if that were the case, we would expect to detect signatures of selection above and beyond those indicated in the drift-only model. Sexual selection might also oppose natural selection on CHCs, such that net phenotypic variation is minimal, but this is a less parsimonious scenario. Finally, it is also possible that sexual selection is indeed imposed on CHCs, but that its impact on CHC divergence is uniform. In other words, sexual selection might simply accentuate the signature of genetic drift such that it is less likely to be detected in our analysis. However, despite these caveats, our null result stands in contrast to studies documenting sexual selection on CHC profiles in insects, for example, in the sagebrush cricket *Cyphoderris strepitans* (Steiger et al. 2013), *Drosophila* species (Hunt et al. 2012, Veltsos et al. 2012), and the species studied here, *T. oceanicus* (Thomas and Simmons 2009, 2010).

Conclusions

Male CHC expression in *T. oceanicus* clearly varies across populations and is sensitive to acoustic cues in the environment. However, we found no evidence that CHC elaboration through sexual selection—or natural selection—has played a large role in population divergence, either through GSEIs imposed by variation in the acoustic environment of founding populations, or by rapid phenotypic evolution in different directions. We cannot definitively exclude the idea that ecological selection acts on CHC profiles differently across the *T. oceanicus* range we sampled, and that the genetic markers and CHC markers we assayed both reflect this. However, two lines of evidence fail to implicate sexual selection as a driving force in patterns of population differentiation, in favor of a scenario in which CHC profiles vary across the range of *T. oceanicus* in a pattern underpinned by random drift.

The role of GSEIs (or, when genetic variation influences the social environment, variation in the interaction coefficient ψ) in

impeding or promoting evolutionary diversification remains to be empirically tested. An outstanding question is whether GSEIs are more likely to be found for traits that are unusually susceptible to variation in the social environment. The prediction under such a scenario would be a positive association with the magnitude of social flexibility and the presence of GSEIs. It is possible, as with the field cricket examples elaborated above, that behavior is inherently more labile and reversible than traits that become fixed during development, such as many morphological features, although counterexamples suggest a need to test this (e.g., Chaine and Lyon 2008). Flexibility in mating signals and preferences is a burgeoning area of research (Rodríguez et al. 2013b), and the dynamism of sexual selection pressures even across relatively small spatial scales is becoming increasingly appreciated (Gosden and Svensson 2008). Future efforts to delimit causal relationships between traits elaborated under sexual selection and population divergence would benefit from testing more explicit predictions about the social flexibility of different types of traits, and how different manifestations of that social flexibility, for example, its magnitude, the presence of GSEIs, or involvement of IGEs, contributes to broader patterns of diversification.

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Figure S1. A chromatograph of a typical cuticular hydrocarbon (CHC) profile of a male *Teleogryllus oceanicus*.

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