

27 **Abstract (323 words)**

- 28 1. To mitigate effects of climate change it is important to understand species
29 responses to increasing temperatures. This has often been done by studying survival
30 or activity at temperature extremes. Before such extremes are reached, however,
31 effects on fertility may already be apparent.
- 32 2. Sex differences in the thermal sensitivity of fertility (TSF) could impact species
33 persistence under climate warming because female fertility is typically more limiting
34 to population growth than male fertility. However, little is known about sex
35 differences in TSF.
- 36 3. Here we first demonstrate that the mating system can strongly influence TSF using
37 the seed beetle *Callosobruchus maculatus*. We exposed populations carrying
38 artificially induced mutations to two generations of short-term experimental
39 evolution under alternative mating systems, manipulating the opportunity for
40 natural and sexual selection on the mutations. We then measured TSF in males and
41 females subjected to juvenile or adult heat stress.
- 42 4. Populations kept under natural and sexual selection had higher fitness, but similar
43 TSF, compared to control populations kept under relaxed selection. However,
44 females had higher TSF than males, and strikingly, this sex difference had increased
45 over only two generations in populations evolving under sexual selection.
- 46 5. We hypothesized that an increase in male-induced harm to females during mating
47 had played a central role in driving this evolved sex difference, and indeed, remating
48 under conditions limiting male harassment of females reduced both male and
49 female TSF. Moreover, we show that manipulation of mating system parameters in
50 *C. maculatus* generates intraspecific variation in the sex difference in TSF equal to
51 that found among a diverse set of studies on insects.
- 52 6. Our study provides a causal link between the mating system and TSF. Sexual
53 conflict, (re)mating rates, and genetic responses to sexual selection differ among
54 ecological settings, mating systems and species. Our study therefore also provides
55 mechanistic understanding for the variability in previously reported TSFs which can
56 inform future experimental assays and predictions of species responses to climate
57 warming.

58 Introduction

59 To predict evolutionary trajectories of natural populations experiencing warming climates, it
60 is necessary to understand selection on, and the genetic architecture of, traits which
61 expression depend heavily on temperature (Bubliy et al., 2012; Chevin et al., 2013;
62 Hoffmann & Sgrò, 2011; Walters et al., 2012). Typical estimates of thermal sensitivity
63 describe the temperatures at which individuals fail to maintain basic physiological functions
64 such as controlled locomotion and respiration (Lutterschmidt & Hutchison, 1997).
65 Approaches to predict organismal responses relying exclusively on such measures are
66 however bound to neglect a variety of sublethal effects that will arise at less extreme
67 temperatures, the most important being reductions in fertility (Angilletta, 2009; Chirgwin et
68 al., 2021; Walsh et al., 2019; Parratt et al., 2021; Hoffmann et al., 2013; Kellermann &
69 Heerwaarden, 2019). Indeed, already a slight decrease in fertility can have dramatic effects
70 on population viability (Degioanni et al., 2019) and thermal plasticity in reproductive traits is
71 widespread (Dell et al., 2011; Deutsch et al., 2008; Frazier et al., 2006) and often observable
72 at a significantly lower temperature threshold than responses in viability (Angilletta, 2009;
73 Gerking & Lee, 1983; Hoffmann, 2010; Loisel et al., 2019; van Heerwaarden & Sgrò, 2021).
74 Hence, it is crucial to incorporate estimates of the thermal sensitivity of fertility (from
75 hereon: TSF) into predictions of population persistence (Angilletta, 2009; Parratt et al.,
76 2021; Walsh et al., 2019).

77 In many sexually reproducing species, population growth is mainly dependent on female
78 fertility (Caswell, 2006). Female TSF may therefore be more consequential for population
79 viability under climate warming, highlighting the need for a more thorough understanding
80 of sex-differences in TSF (Iossa, 2019). For example, if male fertility is more sensitive to
81 elevated temperatures, but assuming some shared genetic basis for TSF in the two sexes,
82 genetic variation with deleterious effects on female TSF could effectively be purged at
83 elevated temperatures while limiting the cost of adaptation (*sensu* Haldane 1957) mainly to
84 males. Such male-biased purging of deleterious alleles affecting TSF could thus proceed with
85 little reduction in population growth, which would aid evolutionary rescue of sexually
86 reproducing species facing warming climates (Godwin et al., 2020; Manning, 1984;
87 Martinossi-Aliliberti et al., 2019; Plesnar-Bielak et al., 2012; Whitlock & Agrawal, 2009). It has
88 been suggested that male reproduction is more affected by elevated temperature in both

89 endotherms (Hansen, 2009) and ectotherms (David et al., 2005; Jørgensen et al., 2006).
90 However, male and female reproductive physiologies are vastly different (García-Roa et al.,
91 2020; Kodric-Brown & Brown, 1987), questioning whether genetic responses to selection on
92 TSF in one sex would be consequential for TSF in the other. On the other hand, some
93 general buffering mechanisms against elevated temperature, such as antioxidant defences
94 (Dowling & Simmons, 2009) or molecular chaperones aiding protein translation and folding
95 (Feder et al., 2000), are costly to produce and may depend strongly on the overall condition
96 and genetic quality of the individual. Such responses may therefore be much more likely to
97 share a genetic basis between the sexes (Andersson, 1994; Rowe & Houle, 1996; Tomkins et
98 al., 2004).

99 Sex differences are often rooted in the operation of sexual selection and mating systems,
100 and it is possible that sex-specificity in TSF could trace back to general differences in male
101 and female reproductive physiologies ingrained in the evolution of anisogamy. However,
102 fine-grained variation in sexual selection and mating systems is also likely to play an
103 important role in shaping male and female TSF (García-Roa et al., 2020; Gómez-Llano et al.,
104 2020; Martinossi-Allibert et al., 2019; Pilakouta & Ålund, 2021; Svensson et al., 2020). For
105 example, success under post-copulatory sexual selection (i.e. sperm competition) can
106 depend on both gamete quality (Gage et al., 2004; Hosken et al., 2003; McNamara et al.,
107 2014) and the overall genetic quality of the male (Hosken et al., 2003), suggesting that
108 sexual selection for genetic quality could increase tolerance to thermal stress. However,
109 sperms' tolerance of oxidative stress, and therefore likely also high temperature, can be
110 affected by investment in precopulatory traits (Dowling & Simmons, 2009; Helfenstein et al.,
111 2010) and studies have suggested that male gamete quality may trade-off with investment
112 into reproductive competition (Baur & Berger, 2020; Silva et al., 2019). Female reproduction
113 is also sensitive to temperature, especially since egg maturation and oviposition are two
114 highly temperature-dependent processes (Angilletta, 2009; Berger et al., 2008; Kingsolver &
115 Huey, 2008), and it is likely that female TSF could be modulated further by pre- and post-
116 fertilization mating interactions. For example, physical harm inflicted via male harassment
117 of females during copulation, or physiological harm mediated via toxic ejaculate compounds
118 (Arnqvist & Rowe, 2005; Dougherty et al., 2017; Parker, 2006), could increase female TSF, if
119 TSF is dependent on the condition of the individual and costly thermal buffering

120 mechanisms. On the other hand, some ejaculate compounds typically have beneficial effects
121 in females (Arnqvist & Nilsson, 2000; Karlsson et al., 1997; Oku et al., 2019; Reinhardt et al.,
122 2009; Savalli & Fox, 1999), and remating could potentially improve male fertility via gamete
123 renewal, suggesting that multiple mating also may have positive effects on TSF. This
124 suggests that sex differences in TSF are bound to vary dynamically with mating system
125 parameters which could have important consequences for evolutionary demography in
126 sexually reproducing species.

127 Here we explore the role of the mating system in shaping sex differences in TSF in
128 populations of the polyandrous seed beetle *Callosobruchus maculatus*. We first quantified
129 how natural and sexual selection on artificially induced mutations affected short-term
130 evolutionary responses in male and female TSF. This approach was motivated by i) theory
131 often assuming that sexual selection is a more potent force of purifying selection against
132 deleterious genetic variation compared to natural selection (Rowe & Houle 1996, Tomkins
133 et al. 2004, Whitlock & Agrawal 2009) and that purging of deleterious genetic variation is
134 much more efficient via sexual selection in males in *C. maculatus* (Grieshop et al., 2016,
135 2020), ii) that compensatory physiological responses to temperature stress are costly (Feder
136 et al., 2000) suggesting that TSF may be dependent on the condition and overall genetic
137 quality of the individual, and iii) that elevated temperature can increase the effects of
138 deleterious genetic variation in ectotherms (Berger et al., 2021).

139 To this end, we induced an appreciable genetic load via mutagenesis in replicate
140 populations that were subsequently propagated for two generations under three alternative
141 experimental evolution regimes: polygamy (imposing natural and sexual selection), enforced
142 monogamy (natural selection only), and relaxed selection (natural and sexual selection
143 removed). Comparisons to the ancestral (non-irradiated) populations allowed us to assess
144 the relative impact of the induced mutations and the extent to which the two mating
145 systems (polygamy and monogamy) had purged the mutations relative to the relaxed
146 selection treatment. Thus, in addition to providing information on sex differences in TSF in
147 *C. maculatus*, this panel of populations allowed us to assess not only sex-specific effects of
148 *de novo* mutations on TSF but also how natural and sexual selection on *de novo* mutations
149 influence sex differences in TSF.

150 We conducted the experiment using two different types of heat stress. We applied a short-
151 term but high intensity heat shock on adult beetles, reflecting extreme daily maximal
152 temperatures, which are predicted to increase in frequency due to climate change (Johnson
153 et al., 2018). In a parallel experiment using the same populations, we applied long-term heat
154 stress throughout the entire larval development, as may result from increasing variation in
155 average monthly temperatures (Bathiany et al., 2018; Varela et al., 2020). We find no
156 evidence that the genetic load of a population is related to its average TSF. Strikingly,
157 however, experimental evolution under sexual selection increased sex differences in TSF in
158 only two generations. To elucidate the mechanism behind this result we measured TSFs
159 while manipulating male-female (re)mating interactions. Our results show that the mating
160 system can be a key driver of realized TSF in males and females.

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162 **Methods**

163 **Study population**

164 *Callosobruchus maculatus* is a common pest on fabaceous seeds in tropical and subtropical
165 regions. Females cement eggs onto host seeds and the larvae burrow into the seed where
166 they complete their development within 3 weeks under standard laboratory conditions (29°
167 C, 12L:12D light cycle, 55% rel. humidity), on their preferred host, *Vigna unguiculata* (Fox,
168 1993). Unless otherwise stated, these conditions were also used in the experiments
169 described below. Egg-to-adult survival is above 90% in the populations used here. Adults are
170 facultatively aphageous and start reproducing within hours after emergence. Under
171 laboratory conditions without food or water adult beetles live just over one week with most
172 of the reproduction taking place within the first few days (Fox, 1993). *C. maculatus* has a
173 polyandrous mating system with documented sexual conflict over (re)mating and high
174 remating rates, leading to both pre- and post-copulatory sexual selection on males (Berger
175 et al., 2016; Crudgington & Siva-Jothy, 2000; Eady, 1995; Gay et al., 2009; Hotzy & Arnqvist,
176 2009). Once a male manages to successfully initiate copulation, spines on its genitalia help
177 to prevent it from being dislodged but at the same time harm the female (Bagchi et al.,
178 2021; Edvardsson & Tregenza, 2005; Rönn et al., 2007; Rönn & Hotzy, 2012). The effects of
179 the genital spines and the harm imposed on the females have been found to correlate with

180 a male's sperm competitiveness (Hotzy & Arnqvist, 2009) and, in a congener that exhibits
181 similar genital structures, also increase female oviposition rate as a response to genital
182 scarring (Haren et al., 2017). Female reproductive behaviour is further modulated by
183 lifespan-extending nutrients and water (Rönn et al., 2006) and likely also other functional
184 compounds in the male ejaculate (Bayram et al., 2019), suggesting that the male ejaculate
185 can have both positive and negative effects on female fertility (Arnqvist et al., 2004; Yamane
186 et al., 2015).

187 The stock used for the experimental populations originates from 41 iso-female lines
188 sampled in Lomé, Togo (06°10#N 01°13#E) (see Berger et al., 2014) that were mixed and
189 maintained at large population size ($N > 300$) for roughly 50 generations under standard
190 conditions prior to the start of this experiment.

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192 **Mutagenesis**

193 The stock population was split into three replicate founder populations (Fig. 1a). We first
194 introduced a genetic load in the three founders by exposing male beetles to 25 Gy of γ -
195 radiation over 32 minutes (dose rate: ~ 0.79 Gy/min). This dose is known to reduce
196 laboratory fertility (i.e., number of emerging adults) of the parental generation by roughly
197 70% and that of F1 offspring by roughly 40% (Baur & Berger, 2020; Grieshop et al., 2016). All
198 irradiated males ($N = 150$ per founder) were virgin and eclosed between 0 and 24 hours
199 prior to irradiation. All males were then mated to a randomly assigned female (enforced
200 monogamy) which was allowed to lay eggs for 48 hours. All egg-laden beans were mixed
201 and distributed into three aliquots marking the starting point for the three different
202 experimental evolution regimes (see below). At this point, all offspring are expected to carry
203 a random set of mutations induced via their fathers. Another 150 control (non-irradiated)
204 males were used to seed the control population for each founder. These control populations
205 were propagated according to standard laboratory protocol.

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207 **Experimental Evolution regimes**

208 The selection regime protocols (Fig. 1a), outlined below, have previously been described
209 and used in several, more long-term (up to 60 generations), experimental evolution studies
210 in *C. maculatus* and have been shown to result in pronounced sex-specific adaptations
211 (Bagchi et al., 2021; Baur et al., 2019; Baur & Berger, 2020; Martinossi-Allibert et al., 2019).

212 *Monogamy*: This regime removes sexual selection but applies natural (fecundity) selection
213 on females and males. Within 72 hours after eclosion, 100 virgins of each sex were picked
214 and randomly paired and allowed to mate for 5 hours. During this period, the male and
215 female could freely interact and mate repeatedly. After 5 hours the males were removed,
216 and all females were collected and placed together in a 1liter jar containing host seeds *ad*
217 *libitum*. After 48 hours of egg laying the females were removed. To ensure minimal larval
218 competition and viability selection, all populations used in this experiment were provided
219 with beans *ad libitum* for egg deposition (~4800 black-eyed beans).

220 *Polygamy*: This regime simulates the natural mating system, including sexual and natural
221 selection on males and females. 100 virgin males and 100 virgin females were picked within
222 72 hours after eclosion and collected in a 1-liter jar with beans *ad libitum*. The beetles could
223 freely interact, compete, mate and lay eggs for 48 hours, after which all beetles were
224 removed. This mating scheme was also used to propagate the non-irradiated control
225 populations and corresponds to the standard laboratory protocol.

226 *Relaxed selection*: This regime removes both natural and sexual selection to retain the
227 induced (non-lethal) deleterious mutations in the populations. Within 72 hours after
228 eclosion, 100 virgin females and 100 virgin males were assigned to form random
229 monogamous couples (avoiding inbreeding) as in the monogamous mating regime.
230 Thereafter, males were removed, and each female was provided with beans *ad libitum*.
231 Females laid eggs for 48 hours in isolation, after which all females were removed from the
232 beans. In the next generation offspring were picked so that each parental couple
233 contributed exactly one female and one male to the next generation.

234 After two generations of propagation under the respective selection regimes, we applied
235 one generation of common garden relaxed selection to all 12 populations to both
236 counteract potential differences in parental effects brought about by the different evolution
237 regimes, and to prevent further selection against deleterious mutations (Fig. 1a). We then

238 established 30 mating couples per population (total $n_{\text{family}} = 360$). After mating we allowed
239 the female to lay eggs for 48 hours. We then removed the female and evenly split the beans
240 from each female into one half that was subjected to the **Juvenile heat stress** treatment
241 (outlined below), and one half that was kept developing at benign 29°C. The beetles
242 developing at 29°C were assigned to undergo the **Adult heat-shock** treatment (outlined
243 below) or to remain untreated and serve as control for both heat treatments (Fig. 1a).

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245 **1. Juvenile heat stress**

246 **1.1.** This experiment was designed to resemble a longer period of elevated temperature as
247 for example a heat wave, which can occur in the months of March and April in Lomé, Togo.
248 Current projections for Lomé predict an increase of the average daily maximal temperature
249 in the months from February to April from 32°C in the late 20th century, up to a maximum of
250 37.2°C by the end of the 21st century (Varela et al., 2020). Beetles assigned to this
251 treatment developed at an elevated temperature of 35°C throughout their entire larval and
252 pupal stage (ca. 21 days in total). After eclosion, we crossed two treated male and two
253 treated female individuals per family with untreated individuals from other families within
254 the same population, allowing us to estimate the sex-specific fertility loss due to
255 development at 35°C for each of the 12 populations. This resulted in a total of 818
256 untreated couples, 458 couples with a treated female and 443 couples with a treated male,
257 or roughly 40 couples per treated sex and population. Each couple was provided with beans
258 *ad-libitum* in a 60 mm petri dish and allowed to mate and lay eggs for the rest of their lives.
259 Emerging adult offspring were later counted to obtain the fertility of the couple.

260 **1.2. Re-mating and male harassment:** We hypothesized that one explanation for our results
261 from the first experiment could be that females developing at stressful temperature might
262 be worse at coping with the harm inflicted by males during mating, but may on the other
263 hand benefit from nutrients in ejaculates. Using the stock population from which the
264 experimental evolution populations were derived, we ran an experiment to tease apart
265 potential effects of remating on female TSF mediated via harmful physical mating
266 interactions and ejaculatory compounds. We exposed 24 hours old virgin heat-treated
267 (developed at 35°C) and untreated (developed at 29°C) females to three male treatments

268 (all males developed at 29° C). The first treatment underwent a single observed mating,
269 after which we removed the male and allowed the female to deposit eggs for the rest of her
270 lifetime. Females of the second treatment were mated once per day to same male for three
271 consecutive days. After the matings the male was removed. In the third treatment we co-
272 reared the male and female for their entire life, allowing them to interact freely as was the
273 case in the original experiment.

274 *1.3. Interaction of male and female heat stress:* We also tested whether the cumulative
275 effects of female and male juvenile heat stress act in an additive manner on a couple's
276 fertility. Beetles of both sexes, originating from the stock population, were reared at benign
277 29°C and at stressful 35°C, as in the main experiment. Within 24 hours after emergence, we
278 paired a male and female beetle of which either the male, the female, both sexes, or none
279 of the sexes, had developed at elevated temperature. Males and females were co-reared for
280 their entire life, and we counted the couple's reproductive output.

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282 **2. Adult heat shock**

283 *2.1.* This experiment was designed to simulate a short-term heat extreme as occurring in the
284 form of extreme daily maxima. We chose an exposure intensity of 50° C for 20 minutes
285 because a pilot experiment showed that ca. 50% of the beetles are knocked-out in the
286 process (no more perceptible movement) but at the same time it remains in the range that
287 we consider ecologically relevant as such temperatures are likely to be reached in sun
288 exposed microclimates within the range of this species (Deutscher Wetterdienst, n.d.). From
289 the beetles that developed at benign temperature we randomly picked three adult female
290 and three adult male beetles per family, resulting in 818 untreated couples, 500 couples
291 with a treated female and 540 couples with a treated male. We put beetles in a perforated
292 0.5 ml Eppendorf tube placed in a closed 200 mm petri dish on a heating plate set to 50°C.
293 The air temperature inside the upper part of the petri dish was also monitored and
294 remained constant at 43°C for the duration of the treatment. We paired all heat-exposed
295 beetles with an untreated individual of opposite sex from a different family, but of the same
296 population. Each couple was provided with *ad-libitum* beans in a 60 mm petri dish and
297 lifetime reproductive output was recorded.

298 *2.2. Male recovery:* Using the stock population, we investigated if recovery of the male after
299 heat shock may have shaped the observed sex differences in TSF in the main experiment
300 outlined above. We allowed one group of males to mate 2 hours after the heat shock
301 treatment. Beetles of this group were then allowed to mate again 26 hours after heat shock.
302 The second group of male beetles were only allowed to mate once, after 26 hours. Beetles
303 assigned to the untreated control group were subdivided into the same two groups to
304 control for a possible decline in fertility due to repeated mating, although this has been
305 shown to be minimal in *C. maculatus* (Rönn et al., 2008). This allowed us to independently
306 estimate effects of recovery over time and recovery through mating causing ejaculate
307 replacement on male TSF.

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309 **Statistical analysis:**

310 All analyses were executed in R (R Core Team, 2020). We fitted generalized linear mixed
311 models assuming a Poisson distributed response using the lme4-package (Bates et al., 2015,
312 p. 4) unless stated otherwise. The R package ggplot2 (Wickham, 2016) was used for
313 graphical illustration. P-values were calculated using the package car (Fox & Weisberg, 2019)
314 using type-II sums of squares. Planned post-hoc comparisons, applying Tukey correction,
315 were conducted using the package emmeans (Lenth, 2020).

316 *1.1 & 2.1 Sex-specific TSF in evolution regimes.* Offspring number was used as the response
317 while evolution regime and treatment (male stress, female stress or untreated), as well as
318 their interaction, were added as fixed effects. We also added experimental block and the
319 identity of the experimenter counting offspring as additional terms. Population replicate
320 crossed with treatment, as well as dam and sire effects, were included as random effects.
321 Additionally, an observation level random effect (OLRE) was included to control for over-
322 dispersion.

323 *1.2. Re-mating and male harassment:* We analysed main effects of female development
324 treatment (29°C/35°C), mating (single/multiple) and cohabitation (isolated/cohabiting), as
325 well as two-way interactions between development treatment and mating and
326 cohabitation, respectively. Experimental date was added as an additional main effect. We
327 assumed quasi-Poisson distributed errors in both models.

328 *1.3. Interaction of male and female heat stress:* We analysed effects of female development
329 treatment (29°C/35°C), male development treatment (29°C/35°C) and their interaction as
330 fixed factors.

331 *2.2 Male recovery:* We analysed effects of a recovery treatment (mated 2 or 26 hours after
332 the heat shock) with and without remating separately. To test for the effect of remating
333 after heat shock, we ran a generalized linear mixed model with a Poisson response including
334 treatment (untreated, heat shocked), mating number (one (2h) or two (26h)) and their
335 interaction as fixed effects, and male identity as well as an OLRE as a random effect. We
336 used the same model type and structure but without the male ID and the interaction term
337 because males only mated once. In this model treatment included untreated, heat shock
338 and 2 hours recovery, and heat shock and 26 hours recovery.

339

340 **Results**

341 There were pronounced fertility differences between irradiated and control populations
342 when assayed only in the benign environment (i.e., untreated beetles), illustrating that
343 mutagenesis had induced a sizeable genetic load ($\chi^2 = 60.88$, $df = 3$, $p < 0.001$) (Fig. 1c,
344 Supplementary table 1). Pairwise post-hoc comparisons revealed that the regime under
345 relaxed selection carried a larger genetic load than the monogamy and the polygamy
346 regime, demonstrating efficient purging of deleterious mutation during experimental
347 evolution (Tukey_{relax-poly}: $z = -4.52$, $p < 0.001$; Tukey_{relax-mono}: $z = -5.16$, $p = p < 0.001$). There
348 was no difference in fertility between the monogamy and polygamy regime (Tukey_{poly-mono}: z
349 $= -0.68$, $p = 0.91$). All pairwise contrasts in supplementary table S1.

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351 **Juvenile heat stress**

352 *1.1.* Elevated temperature during juvenile development strongly reduced the reproductive
353 output of adults ($\chi^2 = 179.07$, $df = 2$, $p < 0.001$). In the control populations, a female
354 developing at 35°C showed an average reduction in fertility of 32% (31 fewer offspring)
355 compared to an untreated female, while male fertility was reduced by 22% (21 fewer
356 offspring). To investigate if the induced mutations affected TSF, we first compared the effect

357 of heat stress in the control regime and the regime evolving under relaxed selection
358 (containing the largest genetic load; Fig. 1c). We found no evidence that genetic load
359 affected TSF ($X^2 = 3.75$, $df = 2$, $p = 0.15$). Strikingly, however, sex differences in TSF
360 depended on selection regime (sex:regime; $X^2 = 14.04$, $df = 6$, $p = 0.029$) (Fig. 2a, b). There
361 were clear reductions in fertility via heat stress in both sexes in all but the polygamy regime,
362 where exposed males showed no statistically significant fertility loss (Fig. 2a, Supplementary
363 table S2;). To directly assess the effect of sexual selection on TSF we compared the
364 monogamy (natural selection) and polygamy (natural + sexual selection) regimes. This
365 analysis confirmed the results of the global model (sex:regime; $X^2 = 6.96$, $df = 2$, $p = 0.030$,
366 Fig 2b). Heat-treated females from the polygamy regime produced significantly fewer
367 offspring than heat-treated females from the monogamy regime (Tukey_{poly_female35-}
368 _{mono_female35}: $z = -2.08$, $p = 0.04$), while heat-treated polygamy males instead tended to
369 produce more offspring than heat-treated monogamy males, although this effect was not
370 statistically significant (Tukey_{poly_male35-mono_male35}: $z = 1.41$, $p = 0.16$). Full model specification
371 and output in supplementary material S3.

372 1.2. To gain more insights into the underlying mechanisms responsible for the evolved sex
373 difference in TSF, we ran an additional experiment on the stock population to investigate
374 the role of repeated mating and male harassment on female TSF. Females exposed to
375 juvenile heat stress suffered more under cohabitation with a male than females developing
376 at benign temperature (temperature:cohabitation; $X^2 = 4.53$, $df = 1$, $p = 0.033$, Fig 2c), which
377 could in part explain the evolved increase in female-bias of TSF observed in the polygamy
378 regime, if polygamy males were more persistent during mating. Interestingly, there was also
379 a positive effect of re-mating, and this effect was more beneficial in females developing at
380 elevated temperature (temperature:mating; $X^2 = 4.99$, $df = 1$, $p = 0.025$). Crucially, however,
381 the beneficial effect of re-mating depended strongly on the exclusion of the male between
382 matings (Tukey_{single_35 vs. cohabitation_35}: $z = -1.62$, $p = 0.24$, Tukey_{single_35 vs. remated_35}: $z = -4.345$, p
383 < 0.0001 , Fig. 2c); and strikingly, re-mating with experimental exclusion of the male between
384 matings sufficed to completely thwart the negative effect of developmental temperature
385 stress in females (Tukey_{remated_29 vs. remated_35}: $z = -0.40$, $p = 0.69$). Hence, changes in the
386 relative costs and benefits of multiple mating between the polygamy and monogamy regime
387 is likely to have driven the evolved sex difference in TSF.

388 1.3. We also explored whether the effect of males on female TSF was dependent on
389 whether males had also been exposed to heat. As expected, we found strong effects of both
390 male and female developmental heat stress (Female: $X^2 = 11.98$, $df = 1$, $p < 0.001$; Male: $X^2 =$
391 10.75 , $df = 1$, $p = 0.001$) (Fig. 2d). The interaction between female and male heat stress,
392 however, was non-significant, suggesting that the effects of female and male juvenile heat
393 stress on TSF are mostly additive. This result might be explained by heat stress reducing the
394 underlying male components with antagonistic effects on female TSF (level of male harm
395 and beneficial ejaculate compounds) to similar extent.

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397 **Effects of adult heat shock**

398 2.1. The adult heat shock treatment led to an overall loss of fertility ($X^2 = 17.17$, $df = 2$, $p <$
399 0.001) even though its impact was much weaker compared to the impact of juvenile heat
400 stress (average fertility loss for females was 10.2% and for males 4.2%). The effect of heat
401 shock was significantly stronger in females (Tukey_{female - male}: $z = -2.38$, $p = 0.045$) and, in fact,
402 not statistically detectable in males (Tukey_{untreated - male}: $z = 2.08$, $p = 0.09$) (Fig. 3a,
403 Supplementary table S2). The effect of heat shock was generally too weak to be detected
404 when analysing subsets of the data (results not shown), resulting in neither the induced
405 genetic load (regime_{control vs. relaxed}:treated sex: $X^2 = 0.44$, $df = 2$, $p = 0.88$) nor sexual selection
406 (regime_{polygamy vs. monogamy}:treated sex: $X^2 = 0.43$, $df = 2$, $p = 0.81$) having a statistically
407 significant effect on TSF. Full model specification and output in supplementary material S4.

408 2.2. To elucidate underlying mechanisms explaining sex differences in TSF under adult heat
409 shock, we analysed effects of male recovery, in terms of both time and remating (inducing
410 ejaculate renewal) after heat shock. Our data show that male beetles can recover almost
411 completely from the applied heat shock treatment within a 26-hour recovery period. Males
412 showed strong TSF, signified by an 18% reduction in fertility compared to the untreated
413 control group, when mating within two hours after heat shock (Tukey_{untreated - 2 hours}: $z = 3.55$,
414 $p = 0.001$, Fig. 3b). If males were given 26 hours of recovery in isolation, however, no
415 significant effect on fertility could be found (Tukey_{untreated - 26 hours}: $z = 1.14$, $p = 0.49$) (Fig. 3b).
416 Similarly, there was no reduction in fertility in beetles that mated a second time 26 hours
417 after the treatment (Tukey_{untreated 2 hours - 2 hours}: $z = 0.64$, $p = 0.003$; Tukey_{untreated 26 hours - 26}

418 $_{\text{hours}}: z = 0.006, p = 1$) (Fig. 3c). Recovery with or without remating showed similar effects on
419 TSF (Tukey $_{\text{heat 26 hours mate} - \text{heat 26 hours isolated}}: z = 0.33, p = 0.74$), suggesting that timing is crucial
420 when assessing TSF, and that realized sex differences in TSFs in natural populations are
421 state-dependent properties of mating system and ecology.

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423 **Comparing intra- and interspecific variation in sex differences in TSF**

424 To put our results into perspective, we performed a (non-exhaustive) literature search for
425 studies on other insects that had estimated effects of heat stress on both male and female
426 fertility (summarized in Supplement S5 and S6). This allowed us to calculate and compare
427 standardized estimates of sex differences in TSF (Fig. 4). The variability in this estimate
428 obtained by manipulating mating system parameters and the timing of heat stress relative
429 to (re)mating in our study roughly corresponds to that reported between species in
430 previously published studies, demonstrating that the mating system can be a main
431 determinate of sex differences in TSF. Moreover, in contrast to occasional claims of male
432 biased TSF, there is no such consistent bias in the reviewed studies on insects estimating
433 male and female TSF under the same experimental conditions.

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435 **Discussion**

436 In this study we have demonstrated that the mating system can affect sex differences in TSF
437 using the seed beetle *C. maculatus*. Strikingly, sexual selection on induced mutations over
438 only two generations of experimental evolution led to increased female-bias in TSF in
439 polygamous populations experiencing developmental heat stress. Male harassment
440 aggravated the negative effects of heat stress on females, suggesting that increased male
441 harassment might explain the increased female-bias in TSF in polygamous experimental
442 populations. In *C. maculatus*, sexual selection in males is more than three times as effective
443 at purging deleterious alleles compared to fecundity selection on females under semi-
444 natural laboratory setting, as used here (Grieshop et al. 2016, Grieshop et al. 2021). One
445 plausible mechanism behind the result is therefore that sexual selection in the polygamous
446 mating regime led to more efficient purging of alleles with deleterious effects on male
447 mating success, relative to purging of alleles with deleterious effects on female viability and

448 fertility, potentially shifting the balance between male persistence and female resistance
449 during (re)mating interactions. Male-biased selection on deleterious alleles can also improve
450 population fitness by sparing females the cost of adaptation (Manning 1984, Agrawal 2001,
451 Siller 2001, Agrawal & Whitock 2009), if some of the deleterious alleles in males also have
452 deleterious effects in females (Andersson 1994, Rowe & Houle 1996, Chippindale et al.
453 2001, Tomkins 2004, Bonduriansky & Chenoweth 2009), for which there is evidence in *C.*
454 *maculatus* (Grieshop et al. 2021). However, once males and females in the polygamous
455 populations engaged in mating interactions, the heightened genetic quality of male
456 genotypes evolving under strong sexual selection may have resulted in increased male
457 harassment of females, and the negative effects of this sexual conflict may have been
458 exposed under female heat stress. In nature, the relative extent of this negative effect
459 should strongly depend on ecological settings and population densities modulating the
460 degrees of conflict (Arbuthnott et al., 2014; Gomez-Llano et al., 2018; MacPherson et al.,
461 2018; Yun et al., 2017). We also note that our comparison of monogamous and polygamous
462 populations evolving from inflated levels of mutational variation does not describe a natural
463 scenario of long-term evolution in populations under mutation-selection balance. Instead,
464 our approach was designed to reveal how (sex-specific) natural and sexual selection can act
465 on genetic variation to shape TSF. Hence, our study provides a proof-of-principle for a direct
466 link between the mating system and sex differences in TSF.

467 At present, the scant literature available seems to suggest that male reproduction is more
468 sensitive to heat stress than female reproduction (David et al., 2005; Porcelli et al., 2017;
469 Sales et al., 2018), and male fertility has also been demonstrated to be very temperature-
470 sensitive in *C. maculatus*. Our data show that *C. maculatus* females can in fact be more
471 strongly affected by heat stress, and that the realized TSF in males and females can be
472 highly contingent on the experimental design (see also: Terblanche et al., 2007) and mating
473 system parameters such as the extent of sexual conflict and remating rates. For example,
474 the adult heat shock treatment resulted in relatively weak effects on fertility, but with
475 significant female-bias in TSF. However, our additional experiment showed that males fully
476 recovered from heat shock within only 26 hours, implying that the sex-bias in TSF in adults is
477 likely to change throughout life following heat exposure. In the case of juvenile heat stress,
478 male harassment aggravated effects of heat stress on female fertility, while repeated

479 mating instead had positive effects on both male and female TSF. However, the size of the
480 nuptial gift provided by male *C. maculatus* has been found to decrease with temperature,
481 suggesting that this male compensatory effect may diminish when also males are heat
482 stressed (Fox et al., 2006). Other studies on fruit flies (García-Roa et al., 2019, 2020) and *C.*
483 *maculatus* (Martinossi-Alilibert et al., 2019), conclude that heat stress generally reduces the
484 female fertility cost of male cohabitation. In both these studies the impact of sexual conflict
485 was assessed directly in the stressful environment when both sexes were stressed, while in
486 the present study the effects of mating interactions on fertility were measured in a benign
487 environment after heat stress had been applied to one, or both sexes. Collectively, this
488 limited set of studies suggest that there is a multitude of ways that temperature can
489 modulate the consequences of sexual selection and conflict (Garcia-Roa et al. 2020), and
490 conversely, that sexual selection and conflict can shape sensitivity to temperature
491 (Martinossi-Alilibert et al. 2019). Depending on population density, mating system, and heat
492 stress characteristics, laboratory experiments may thus lead to erroneous estimates of TSFs,
493 and in extension, misjudgements of the threat on population growth imposed by climate
494 warming, even when efforts are made to measure TSF sex-specifically. Indeed, our
495 comparison of variation in sex differences in TSF generated by mating system parameters in
496 our study, to that reported between species (Fig. 4), suggests that TSF is a highly dynamic
497 property that responds to population structure and ecological changes.

498 Directly comparing the effects of our two heat stress treatments is difficult as they were
499 applied with different intensities over different time frames and life stages. Nevertheless,
500 juvenile heat stress is known to affect the development of reproductive organs and result in
501 reduced sperm numbers in insects (Chirault et al., 2015; Kirk Green et al., 2019; Nguyen et
502 al., 2013; Vasudeva et al., 2014). Vasudeva, Deeming and Eady (2014), found not only a
503 decrease in sperm number but also a reduction in relative testis size by almost 25% in *C.*
504 *maculatus* males exposed to similar juvenile heat stress as in our experiment. In a later
505 study, the same authors determined the first 20% of larval development to be the most
506 temperature sensitive period of testis development (Vasudeva et al., 2021). A recent study
507 using the flour beetle *Tribolium castaneum* found that the most sensitive phase of testis
508 development is likely during the pupal stage and that testis size can be almost complete
509 recovered in males exposed to heat stress at an immature adult stage (Sales et al., 2021).

510 Together, these studies suggest that there are several time points with heightened
511 temperature sensitivity throughout male reproductive development. Heat shock treatments
512 applied on adults have also been found to decrease numbers of transferred sperm and
513 reduce fertility (Chevrier et al., 2019; Sales et al., 2018, 2021), but considering the data
514 presented here and in Sales et al. (2021), such effects may be reversible in most cases.
515 Similar changes in the morphology of female reproductive organs (i.e. smaller ovaries)
516 combined with a strong reduction in egg number have also been reported for flies of the
517 species *Drosophila Suzuki* developing at elevated temperature (Kirk Green et al., 2019).
518 However, little is known about the ability of female reproduction to recover from heat
519 stress. Data from an experiment exposing newly emerged cotton bollworm females,
520 *Helicoverpa armigera*, to a range of heat shock treatments shows a postponement of peak
521 reproduction correlated to the treatment intensity, suggesting some recovery processes
522 taking place between the heat shock event and the onset of reproduction (Mironidis &
523 Savopoulou-Soultani, 2010). In summary, this suggest that, at least in holometabolous
524 insects, heat stress during development can cause an impairment of reproductive organs
525 which is only reversible given a considerable amount of recovery time (if at all), while heat
526 shock experienced at the adult life stage might be reversible on shorter time scales.
527 Importantly, however, we also show that strategies such as remating or postponement of
528 reproduction may mitigate the impact of heat stress experienced both early and late in life.

529 Inducible compensatory responses that buffer the effects of heat stress are costly and may
530 therefore depend on the genetic quality of the organism. Moreover, it has recently been
531 shown that elevated temperatures can aggravate the deleterious effect of mutations
532 (Berger et al., 2021). We therefore predicted that populations with larger genetic loads
533 might show increased TSF but found no support for this in our data. The model applied by
534 Berger et al. (2021) predicts that temperature-dependent increases in mutational effects
535 stem from reversible misfolding of proteins at high temperature. It is possible that such
536 effects were no longer apparent following heat stress in our experiment as individuals were
537 shifted back to benign temperature (i.e., temperature-sensitive mutants either died during
538 development, or survived and got “rescued” by being placed at benign temperature).
539 Indeed, individuals surviving short term heat stress may even elicit compensatory stress
540 responses that mitigate deleterious effects of mutations (Casanueva et al., 2012).

541 Additionally, as we here studied temperature effects in the adult stage, where realized TSFs
542 are consequences of mating interactions, it is possible that a weakening of sexually
543 antagonistic interactions in populations with large genetic loads (and low-condition
544 individuals) may have contributed to mitigating the detrimental effects of temperature.
545 Indeed, a general tenet highlighted throughout this study for how frequency-dependent
546 processes in general (Bolnick et al., 2011; Brady et al., 2019; Dall et al., 2012; Svensson &
547 Connallon, 2019), and sexual selection in particular (Chenoweth et al., 2015; García-Roa et
548 al., 2020; MacPherson et al., 2018; Martinossi-Allibert et al., 2019; Martinossi-Allibert et al.,
549 2019; Rankin et al., 2011; Yun et al., 2017) may affect population vulnerability and
550 adaptation to abiotic factors.

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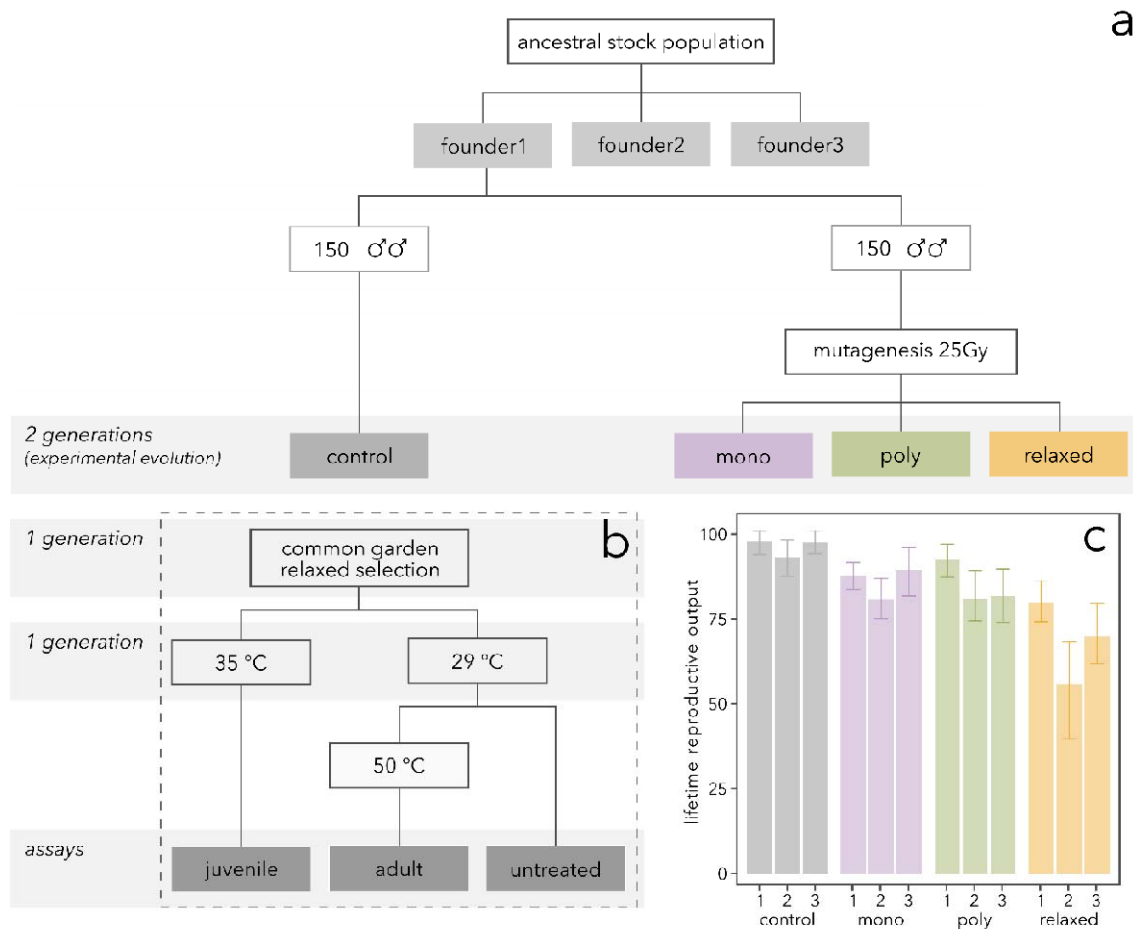
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909 **Figure 1**

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912 **Fig. 1:** Experimental design used to obtain the two main data sets. a) Founding populations,
913 mutagenesis and experimental evolution. b) Juvenile heat stress (development at 35°C) and
914 adult heat shock (20 min heat shock at 50°C) applied to all 12 populations. c) Lifetime
915 reproductive output of all 12 populations in the benign environment (untreated). Shown are
916 means ± 95% confidence intervals.

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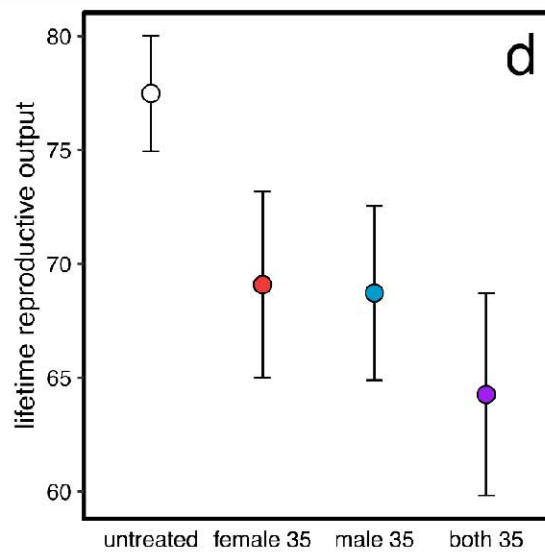
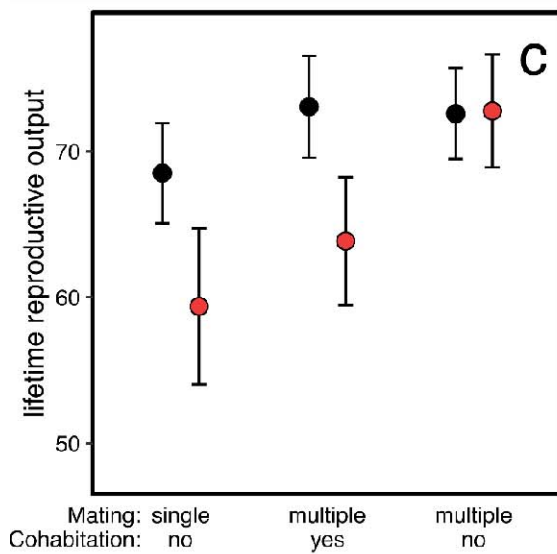
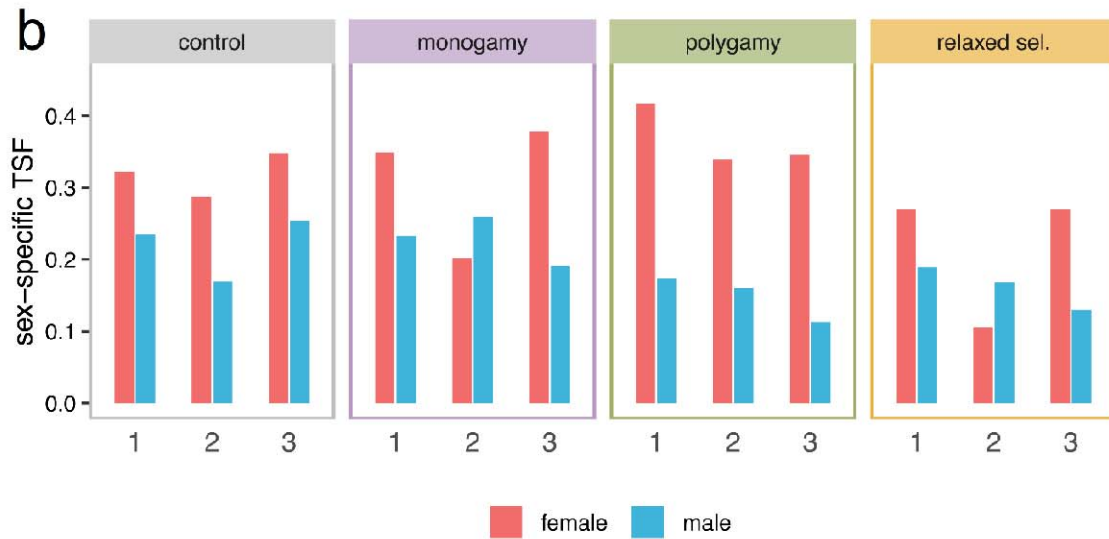
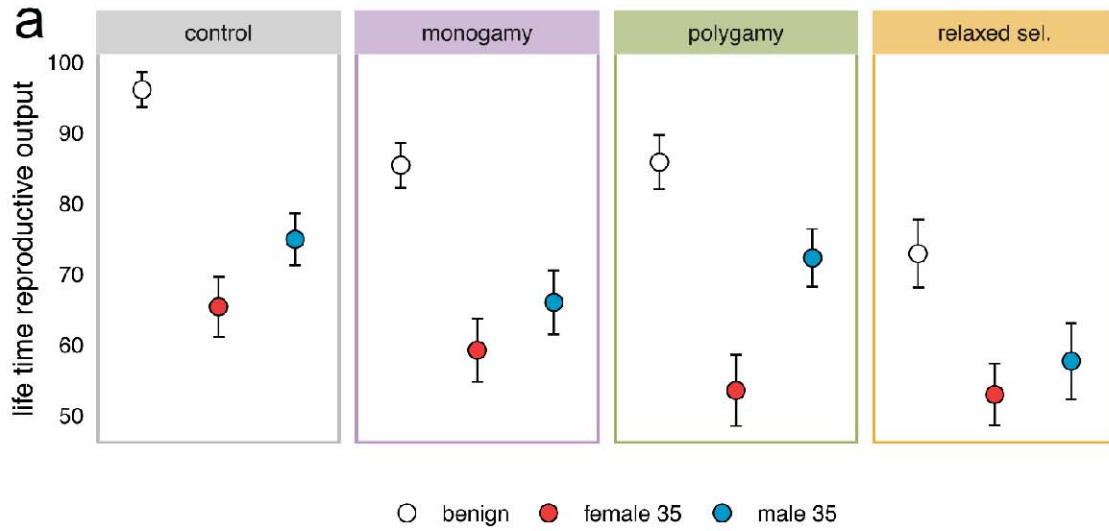
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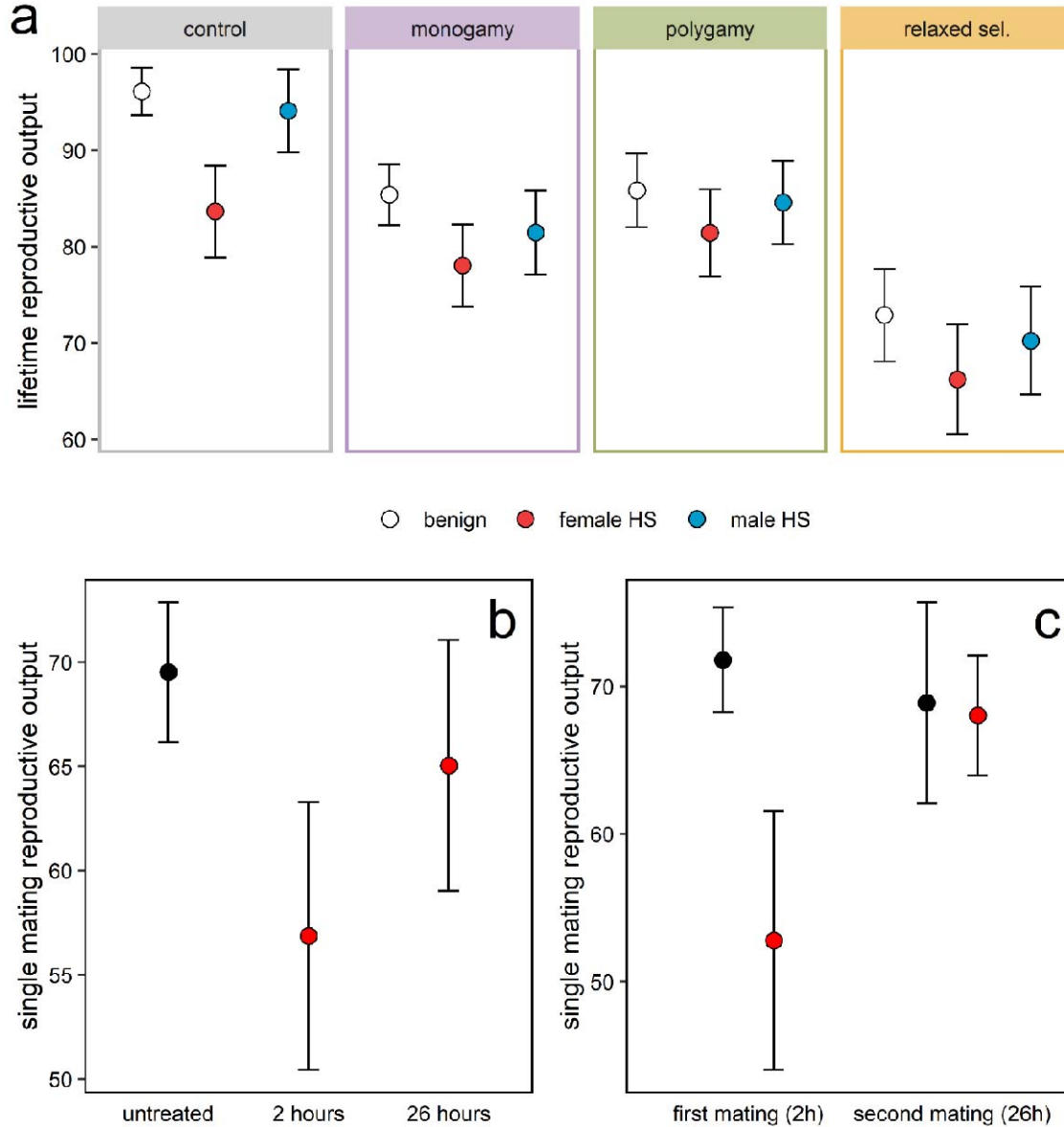
922 **Figure 2**



924 **Fig. 2:** Sex differences in TSF under juvenile heat stress (experiments 1.1-1.3) a) Lifetime
925 reproductive output of couples with either the female (red symbols), the male (blue
926 symbols), or no parent (open symbols) developing at elevated temperature. b) Relative loss
927 in fertility (1-stressed/control) per population. Sex differences in TSF in all three blocks are
928 greater for polygamy populations compared to all other regimes. c) Lifetime reproductive
929 output of female beetles developing at benign (black symbols) or stressful (red symbols)
930 temperature. d) Lifetime reproductive output of pairs in which no parent (white), the female
931 (red), the male (blue), or both parents (purple) were exposed to juvenile heat stress. Panels
932 a, c and d show means \pm 95% confidence intervals.

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934 **Figure 3**



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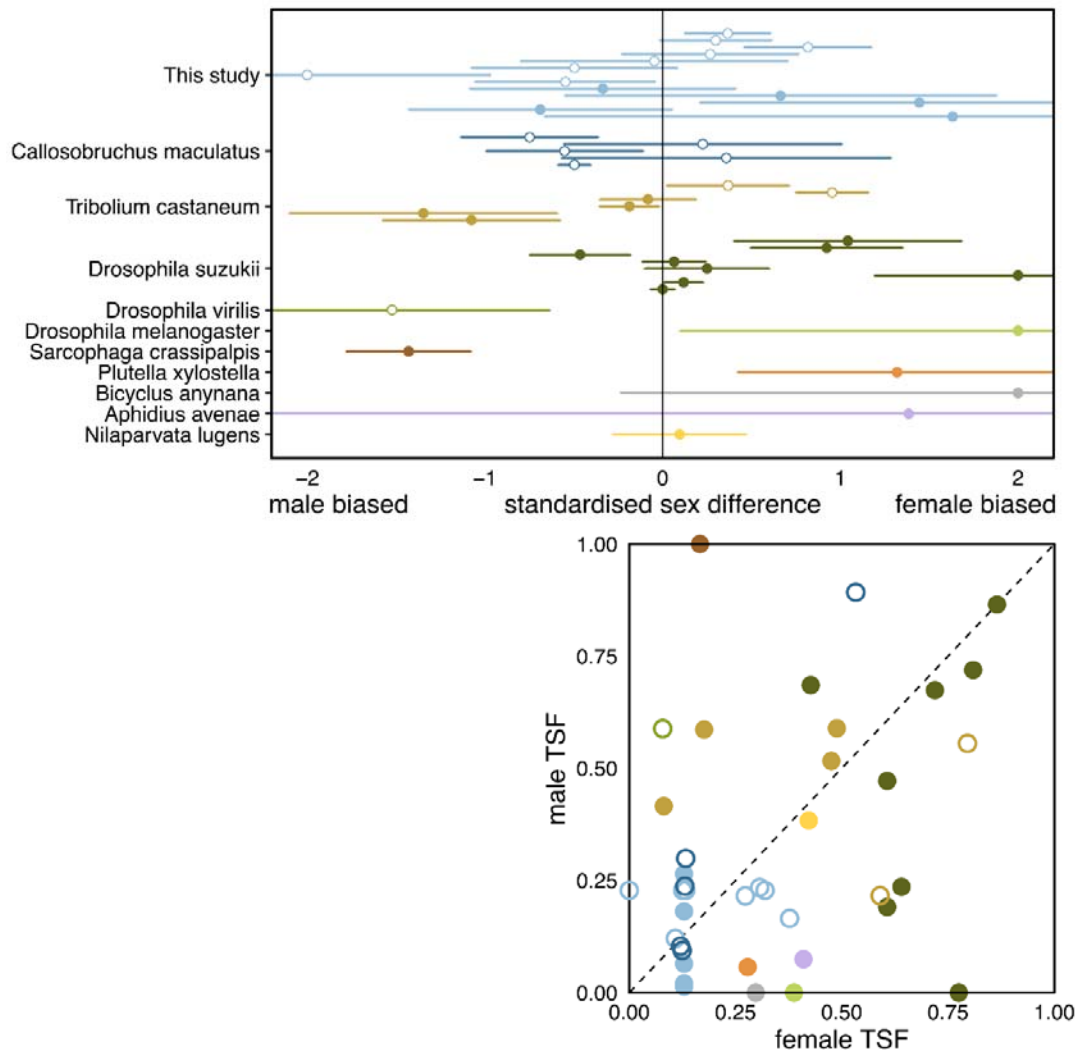
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937 **Fig. 3:** Sex differences in TSF under adult heat shock (Experiments 2.1 & 2.2) a) Lifetime
938 reproductive output depending on the sex that underwent adult heat shock (HS). b)
939 Recovery of male fertility after adult heat shock. c) Lifetime reproductive output of
940 untreated and heat-shocked males that were mated to a virgin female 2 hours after the
941 treatment and again, to a second female, 26 hours after the treatment. All panels show
942 means \pm 95% confidence intervals.

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945 **Figure 4**



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947 **Fig. 4:** Intraspecific variation in the sex difference in TSF generated through manipulation of
 948 the mating system, timing of heat stress relative to (re)mating in this study, compared to
 949 estimates from other studies on insects. Open symbols represent heat treatments applied at
 950 a juvenile stage while symbols represent heat treatments applied during the adult stage. a)
 951 A standardized measure of the sex difference in TSF was calculated as:
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$$SD_{TSF} = \frac{TSF_{female} - TSF_{male}}{TSF_{male} + TSF_{female}}$$
, where TSF is the relative fertility loss due to heat stress (1-

953 benign/stress). A given SD_{TSF} from this study was derived by first calculating the TSF of one
 954 sex in a given experimental condition (e.g. TSF_{female} with remating but no cohabitation from
 955 experiment 1.2) and then always using the TSF observed in one of the two main
 956 experiments (1.1 for juvenile stress and 2.1 for adult stress) for the opposite sex from
 957 control populations as comparison (e.g. TSF_{male} from experiment 1.1). 95% confidence
 958 intervals were calculated through propagation of the uncertainty reported for measures of
 959 reproductive output within the respective studies. b) Comparison of male and female TSF
 960 for the studies presented in panel a). Further details, including inclusion criteria for reviewed
 961 studies and a table of all values, are presented in Supplementary material S5 & S6.

962 **Supplementary material**

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964 **Supplement S1:** Table of all pairwise contrasts between regimes for offspring numbers at
 965 benign temperature.

Contrast	Estimate	Std.Error	z	P-value
monogamy - control	-0.122	0.045	-2.713	0.034
polygamy - control	-0.154	0.046	-3.369	0.004
relaxed - control	-0.392	0.050	-7.778	<0.001
polygamy - monogamy	-0.032	0.048	-0.675	0.906
relaxed - monogamy	-0.270	0.052	-5.159	<0.001
relaxed - polygamy	-0.238	0.053	-4.523	<0.001

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967 **Supplement S2:** Pairwise comparisons between treatments (untreated, stressed female,
 968 stressed male) within selection regimes for both juvenile heat stress and adult heat shock
 969 main datasets (experiments 1.1 and 2.2). Marginal means were obtained by averaging over
 970 blocks and experimenter. All p-values are Tukey corrected.

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regime	contrast	juvenile heat stress				adult heat shock			
		estimate	SE	z.ratio	p.value	estimate	SE	z.ratio	p.value
control	untreated - female	0.467	0.063	7.407	<.0001	0.239	0.058	4.148	0.0001
	untreated - male	0.269	0.063	4.258	0.0001	0.077	0.058	1.339	0.373
	female - male	-0.198	0.073	-2.719	0.018	-0.162	0.066	-2.447	0.038
monogamy	untreated - female	0.441	0.067	6.600	<.0001	0.144	0.063	2.278	0.059
	untreated - male	0.304	0.069	4.423	<.0001	0.098	0.060	1.635	0.231
	female - male	-0.137	0.078	-1.758	0.184	-0.046	0.070	-0.652	0.791
polygamy	untreated - female	0.568	0.069	8.173	<.0001	0.089	0.063	1.413	0.334
	untreated - male	0.151	0.068	2.215	0.069	0.032	0.062	0.521	0.861
	female - male	-0.417	0.078	-5.329	<.0001	-0.056	0.071	-0.798	0.704
relaxed	untreated - female	0.295	0.073	4.060	0.0001	0.128	0.070	1.836	0.158
	untreated - male	0.247	0.074	3.338	0.002	0.054	0.068	0.791	0.709
	female - male	-0.048	0.079	-0.616	0.811	-0.074	0.074	-0.999	0.577

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974 **Supplement S3:** Details global model – juvenile heat stress

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976 `glmer(offspring ~ regime*treatment + block + counter + (1|line) + (1|treatment:line) +`
 977 `(1|familyID_female) + (1|familyID_male) + (1|OLRE_ID), family="poisson", data = data,`
 978 `control=glmerControl(optimizer="bobyqa",optCtrl=list(maxfun=100000)))`

979 Sample size: 1719, groups: OLRE_ID, 1719; familyID_male, 344; familyID_female, 341;

980 treatment:line, 36; line, 12

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983 Random effects:

Groups	Variance	Std.Dev.
OLRE_ID	2.94E-01	5.42E-01
familyID_male	1.76E-02	1.33E-01
familyID_female	8.32E-03	9.12E-02
treatment:line	1.32E-15	3.63E-08
line	0.00E+00	0.00E+00

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985 Fixed effects:

	Estimate	Std.Err.	z	Pr(> z)
Intercept (ctrl, benign temp.)	4.5983	0.04607	99.81	<0.001
regimemono	-0.12952	0.05794	-2.235	0.02539
regimepoly	-0.16538	0.05886	-2.81	0.00496
regimerelax	-0.41747	0.06406	-6.517	<0.001
treatedFemale	-0.46662	0.06299	-7.407	<0.001
treatedMale	-0.2685	0.06305	-4.258	<0.001
block2	-0.18958	0.03962	-4.785	<0.001
block3	-0.08568	0.04038	-2.122	0.03383
counter2	0.01375	0.02828	0.486	0.62678
regimemono:treatedFemale	0.02598	0.09176	0.283	0.77705
regimepoly:treatedFemale	-0.10092	0.09367	-1.077	0.28127
regimerelax:treatedFemale	0.17153	0.09606	1.786	0.07416
regimemono:treatedMale	-0.03515	0.09322	-0.377	0.70617
regimepoly:treatedMale	0.11752	0.09282	1.266	0.20548
regimerelax:treatedMale	0.02184	0.097	0.225	0.82189

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987 Anova table (type II SS):

	X2	Df	Pr(>X2)
regime	60.5142	3	<0.001
treatment	179.0658	2	<0.001
block	22.9029	2	<0.001
counter	0.2365	1	0.62678
regime:treatment	14.0398	6	0.02919

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990 **Supplement S4:** Details global model – adult heat shock

991 `glmer(offspring ~ regime*treatment + block*treatment + counter + (1|line) +`
 992 `(1|treatment:line) + (1|familyID_female) + (1|familyID_male) + (1|OLRE_ID),`
 993 `family="poisson", data = data,`
 994 `control=glmerControl(optimizer="bobyqa",optCtrl=list(maxfun=100000)))`

995 Sample size: 1858, groups: OLRE_ID, 1858; familyID_male, 343; familyID_female, 343;

996 treatment:line, 36; line, 12

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998 Random effects:

Groups	Variance	Std.Dev.
OLRE_ID	2.67E-01	5.17E-01
familyID_male	2.29E-02	1.51E-01
familyID_female	8.62E-03	9.28E-02
treatment:line	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
line	0.00E+00	0.00E+00

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1000 Fixed effects:

	Estimate	Std.Err.	z	Pr(> z)
Intercept (ctrl, benign temp.)	4.59271	0.04831	95.067	<0.001
regimemono	-0.12807	0.05713	-2.242	0.02498
regimepoly	-0.16222	0.05798	-2.798	0.00515
regimerelax	-0.40836	0.06316	-6.465	<0.001
treatedFemale	-0.14945	0.0695	-2.15	0.03152
treatedMale	-0.05093	0.06956	-0.732	0.46409
block2	-0.20795	0.05093	-4.083	<0.001
block3	-0.07442	0.05336	-1.395	0.16309
counter2	0.03837	0.02666	1.439	0.15014
regimemono:treatedFemale	0.09522	0.08499	1.12	0.26255
regimepoly:treatedFemale	0.15054	0.08471	1.777	0.07554
regimerelax:treatedFemale	0.11093	0.09022	1.229	0.21889

regimemono:treatedMale	-0.02127	0.08308	-0.256	0.79788
regimepoly:treatedMale	0.04498	0.0842	0.534	0.59318
regimerelax:treatedMale	0.02312	0.08897	0.26	0.795
treatedFemale:block2	0.05539	0.07281	0.761	0.44682
treatedMale:block2	0.07261	0.07233	1.004	0.31539
treatedFemale:block3	-0.32439	0.07928	-4.091	<0.001
treatedMale:block3	-0.15126	0.07624	-1.984	0.04724

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1002 Anova table (type II SS):

	χ^2	Df	Pr(>X2)
regime	68.2803	3	<0.001
treatment	17.1739	2	<0.001
block	31.7977	2	<0.001
counter	2.0708	1	0.1501429
regime:treatment	4.0144	6	0.6747337
treatment:block	25.3058	4	<0.001

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1007 **Supplement S5:** Literature review

1008 To put the variation in the sex-specificity of TSF obtained across the various data sets
1009 presented in our study into perspective, we performed a non-exhaustive literature search
1010 for studies reporting sex-specific effects of heat stress on fertility measured for both sexes
1011 within the same experiment applying the same heat stress treatment. The literature search
1012 was executed between the 3.5.2021 and the 22.5.2021 using Google Scholar. We
1013 considered the results of a search for titles using the key words “fertility”, “heat”,
1014 “reproduction”, “sex”, “stress”, and “temperature”, as well as literature cited by papers
1015 matching the initial search. Note that the literature search was non-exhaustive, but that we
1016 included all studies we could find that had measured fertility for both sexes in terms of
1017 reproductive output. Hence, we excluded studies that had measured traits related to
1018 fertility, such as testis size in males or egg maturation rate in females. This resulted in 12
1019 studies for further analysis (shown in Table S6 below)

1020 We extracted values, and the corresponding standard errors, of male and female
1021 reproductive output under benign and stressful temperature (including development at
1022 elevated temperature, heat shock and ramping temperatures). Figure 4 only includes pairs
1023 of values where the stress treatment led to a statistically significant decrease in fertility in at
1024 least one sex. Supplementary table S6 contains all treatments of the included studies, also
1025 such without significant effects in either sex. We calculated the TSF as the proportional loss
1026 in fertility due to temperature stress:

$$\text{TSF} = 1 - \frac{f_{\text{stress}}}{f_{\text{benign}}}$$

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1028 We then proceeded to calculate a standardised estimate of sexual dimorphism in TSF:

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$$\text{SD}_{\text{TSF}} = \frac{(\text{TSF}_{\text{female}} - \text{TSF}_{\text{male}})}{(\text{TSF}_{\text{female}} + \text{TSF}_{\text{male}})/2}$$

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1031 A given SD_{TSF} from this study was derived by first calculating the TSF of one sex in a given
1032 experimental condition (e.g. TSF_{female} with remating but no cohabitation from experiment
1033 1.2) and then always using the TSF observed in one of the two main experiments (1.1 for
1034 juvenile stress and 2.1 for adult stress) for the opposite sex from control populations as
1035 comparison (e.g. TSF_{male} from experiment 1.1). To assess whether the obtained values of
1036 SD_{TSF} were different from zero we propagated the uncertainty in male and female
1037 reproductive output to calculate 95% confidence intervals. We performed no formal
1038 statistical analysis on this dataset as it only serves to illustrate the comparison of intra- and
1039 interspecific variation in TSF found in this and other studies, and the number of studies is
1040 limited.

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1043 **Supplement S6:** Values extracted from studies meeting the criteria outlined in supplement
 1044 S5. Only values obtained for stress conditions under which at least one sex showed a
 1045 significant fitness reduction were included in the figures presented in the main manuscript.
 1046 (2012)

Study	Heat stress	Stress stage	Significant fertility loss	Species	Female load	Male load	TSF dimorphism
This study	developmental	juvenile	yes	<i>C. maculatus</i>	0.319 ± 0.024	0.221 ± 0.022	0.366 ± 0.123
This study	developmental	juvenile	yes	<i>C. maculatus</i>	0.307 ± 0.03	0.227 ± 0.031	0.298 ± 0.161
This study	developmental	juvenile	yes	<i>C. maculatus</i>	0.377 ± 0.033	0.158 ± 0.031	0.817 ± 0.183
This study	developmental	juvenile	yes	<i>C. maculatus</i>	0.273 ± 0.039	0.209 ± 0.046	0.268 ± 0.253
This study	developmental	juvenile	yes	<i>C. maculatus</i>	0.108 ± 0.031	0.114 ± 0.029	-0.047 ± 0.384
This study	developmental	juvenile	yes	<i>C. maculatus</i>	0.133 ± 0.046	0.221 ± 0.022	-0.497 ± 0.295
This study	developmental	juvenile	yes	<i>C. maculatus</i>	0 ± 0.035	0.221 ± 0.022	-2 ± 0.528
This study	developmental	juvenile	yes	<i>C. maculatus</i>	0.126 ± 0.037	0.221 ± 0.022	-0.547 ± 0.259
This study	20 min heat shock	adult	yes	<i>C. maculatus</i>	0.129 ± 0.028	0.021 ± 0.026	1.444 ± 0.629
This study	20 min heat shock	adult	yes	<i>C. maculatus</i>	0.129 ± 0.028	0.265 ± 0.065	-0.689 ± 0.38
This study	20 min heat shock	adult	yes	<i>C. maculatus</i>	0.129 ± 0.028	0.013 ± 0.058	1.632 ± 1.171
This study	20 min heat shock	adult	yes	<i>C. maculatus</i>	0.129 ± 0.028	0.181 ± 0.051	-0.337 ± 0.381
This study	20 min heat shock	adult	yes	<i>C. maculatus</i>	0.129 ± 0.028	0.065 ± 0.05	0.663 ± 0.62
This study	20 min heat shock	adult	no	<i>C. maculatus</i>	0.085 ± 0.031	0.046 ± 0.032	0.607 ± 0.702
This study	20 min heat shock	adult	no	<i>C. maculatus</i>	0.052 ± 0.035	0.015 ± 0.034	1.103 ± 1.641
This study	20 min heat shock	adult	no	<i>C. maculatus</i>	0.092 ± 0.05	0.037 ± 0.051	0.851 ± 1.203
Martinossi-Alilibert <i>et al.</i> , 2019	developmental	juvenile	yes	<i>C. maculatus</i>	0.133 ± 0.025	0.292 ± 0.03	-0.749 ± 0.196
Martinossi-Alilibert <i>et al.</i> , 2019	developmental	juvenile	yes	<i>C. maculatus</i>	0.121 ± 0.023	0.096 ± 0.036	0.226 ± 0.399
Martinossi-Alilibert <i>et al.</i> , 2019	developmental	juvenile	yes	<i>C. maculatus</i>	0.131 ± 0.025	0.23 ± 0.03	-0.552 ± 0.225
Martinossi-Alilibert <i>et al.</i> , 2017	developmental	juvenile	yes	<i>C. maculatus</i>	0.125 ± 0.028	0.087 ± 0.04	0.358 ± 0.473
Martinossi-Alilibert <i>et al.</i> , 2017	developmental	juvenile	yes	<i>C. maculatus</i>	0.533 ± 0.027	0.885 ± 0.018	-0.497 ± 0.047
Mahroof <i>et al.</i> , 2005	1h heat shock	juvenile	yes	<i>T. castaneum</i>	0.796 ± 0.079	0.548 ± 0.084	0.368 ± 0.175
Mahroof <i>et al.</i> , 2005	1h heat shock	juvenile	yes	<i>T. castaneum</i>	0.59 ± 0.024	0.209 ± 0.029	0.954 ± 0.104
Mahroof <i>et al.</i> , 2005	39min heat shock	adult	yes	<i>T. castaneum</i>	0.475 ± 0.045	0.516 ± 0.051	-0.083 ± 0.138
Mahroof <i>et al.</i> , 2005	39min heat shock	adult	yes	<i>T. castaneum</i>	0.488 ± 0.045	0.589 ± 0.012	-0.187 ± 0.086
Sales <i>et al.</i> , 2018	5d heat wave	adult	yes	<i>T. castaneum</i>	0.081 ± 0.065	0.416 ± 0.046	-1.346 ± 0.385
Sales <i>et al.</i> , 2018	5d heat wave	adult	yes	<i>T. castaneum</i>	0.176 ± 0.063	0.587 ± 0.058	-1.076 ± 0.254
Sales <i>et al.</i> , 2018	5d heat wave	adult	no	<i>T. castaneum</i>	0 ± 0.057	0.273 ± 0.047	-2 ± 0.76
Sales <i>et al.</i> , 2018	5d heat wave	adult	no	<i>T. castaneum</i>	0.106 ± 0.067	0.25 ± 0.051	-0.806 ± 0.508
Evans <i>et al.</i> , 2018	24h heat wave	adult	yes	<i>D. sukukii</i>	0.607 ± 0.051	0.191 ± 0.104	1.042 ± 0.327
Evans <i>et al.</i> , 2018	24h heat wave	adult	yes	<i>D. sukukii</i>	0.64 ± 0.044	0.236 ± 0.074	0.923 ± 0.218
Evans <i>et al.</i> , 2018	24h heat wave	adult	yes	<i>D. sukukii</i>	0.427 ± 0.067	0.685 ± 0.04	-0.465 ± 0.144
Evans <i>et al.</i> , 2018	24h heat wave	adult	yes	<i>D. sukukii</i>	0.719 ± 0.036	0.674 ± 0.052	0.065 ± 0.091
Evans <i>et al.</i> , 2018	72h heat wave	adult	yes	<i>D. sukukii</i>	0.607 ± 0.057	0.472 ± 0.077	0.25 ± 0.178
Evans <i>et al.</i> , 2018	72h heat wave	adult	yes	<i>D. sukukii</i>	0.775 ± 0.033	0 ± 0.108	2 ± 0.412
Evans <i>et al.</i> , 2018	72h heat wave	adult	yes	<i>D. sukukii</i>	0.809 ± 0.027	0.719 ± 0.033	0.118 ± 0.055
Evans <i>et al.</i> , 2018	72h heat wave	adult	yes	<i>D. sukukii</i>	0.865 ± 0.019	0.865 ± 0.024	0 ± 0.035
Walsh <i>et al.</i> , 2020	4h pupal heat shock	juvenile	yes	<i>D. virilis</i>	0.079 ± 0.079	0.581 ± 0.089	-1.523 ± 0.453
Krebs & Loeschke, 1994	90 min heat shock	adult	yes	<i>D. melanogaster</i>	0.388 ± 0.075	0 ± 0.11	2 ± 0.97
Rinehart <i>et al.</i> , 2000	1h heat shock	adult	yes	<i>S. crassipalpis</i>	0.166 ± 0.084	1 ± 0	-1.429 ± 0.178
Zhang <i>et al.</i> , 2013	4h heat shock	adult	yes	<i>P. xylostella</i>	0.279 ± 0.048	0.057 ± 0.042	1.319 ± 0.457
Zhang <i>et al.</i> , 2013	3h heat shock	adult	no	<i>P. xylostella</i>	0.029 ± 0.043	0 ± 0.044	2 ± 6.102
Zhang <i>et al.</i> , 2013	5h heat shock	adult	no	<i>P. xylostella</i>	0.164 ± 0.036	0.1 ± 0.043	0.486 ± 0.436
Janowitz & Fischer, 2011	1h heat shock	adult	yes	<i>B. anynana</i>	0.298 ± 0.073	0 ± 0.096	2 ± 1.141
Roux <i>et al.</i> , 2010	1h heat shock	adult	yes	<i>A. avenae</i>	0.41 ± 0.272	0.075 ± 0.311	1.385 ± 2.076
Piyaphongkul <i>et al.</i> , 2012	ramping	adult	yes	<i>N. lugens</i>	0.422 ± 0.049	0.384 ± 0.059	0.096 ± 0.191

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