1   **A clinal polymorphism in the insulin signaling transcription factor**

2   *foxo* **contributes to life-history adaptation in** *Drosophila*

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Abstract

A fundamental aim of adaptation genomics is to identify polymorphisms that underpin

variation in fitness traits. In *D. melanogaster* latitudinal life-history clines exist on

multiple continents and make an excellent system for dissecting the genetics of

adaptation. We have previously identified numerous clinal SNPs in insulin/insulin-like

growth factor signaling (IIS), a pathway known from mutant studies to affect life

history. However, the effects of natural variants in this pathway remain poorly

understood. Here we investigate how two clinal alternative alleles at *foxo*, a

transcriptional effector of IIS, affect fitness components (viability, size, starvation

resistance, fat content). We assessed this polymorphism from the North American

cline by reconstituting outbred populations, fixed for either the low- or high-latitude

allele, from inbred DGRP lines. Since diet and temperature modulate IIS, we

phenotyped alleles across two temperatures (18°C, 25°C) and two diets differing in

sugar source and content. Consistent with clinal expectations, the high-latitude allele

conferred larger body size and reduced wing loading. Alleles also differed in

starvation resistance and expression of *InR*, a transcriptional target of FOXO. Allelic

reaction norms were mostly parallel, with few GxE interactions. Together, our results

suggest that variation in IIS makes a major contribution to clinal life-history

adaptation.

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Much has been learned about the genetics of fitness traits (e.g., size, lifespan),

mainly from studies of large-effect mutants and transgenes in yeast, *C. elegans*,

Drosophila and the mouse (Finch and Rose 1995; Oldham and Hafen 2003; Tatar et

al. 2003; Fielenbach and Antebi 2008; Kenyon 2010; Flatt and Partridge 2018), but

loci identified in such laboratory analyses do not necessarily harbor segregating

alleles that would contribute to genetic variance for traits in natural populations (Flatt

2004; Flatt and Schmidt 2009; Vonesch et al. 2016; Birney 2016; Fabian et al. 2018).

In particular, the identity and presumably subtle effects of naturally occurring life-

history polymorphisms are poorly known (Flatt and Schmidt 2009; Paaby and

Schmidt 2009; Flatt and Heyland 2011). While adaptation genomics can in principle

quite readily identify such candidate polymorphisms, a major – but rarely

accomplished – objective is to experimentally validate these candidates as genic

targets of selection (Barrett and Hoekstra 2011; Turner 2014; Flatt 2016; Siddiq et al.

2017). Thus, with a few exceptions, examples of causative life-history variants

remain rare (Schmidt et al. 2008; McKechnie et al. 2010; Paaby et al. 2010; Jones et

al. 2012; Johnston et al. 2013; Méndez-Vigo et al. 2013; Paaby et al. 2014; Barson et

al. 2015; Catalán et al. 2016; reviewed in Mackay et al. 2009; Barrett and Hoekstra

2011).

Despite conceptual and methodological limitations of the so-called quantitative trait

nucleotide (QTN) program (Rockman 2012), the identification of life-history

polymorphisms allows addressing fundamental questions about the genetic basis of

adaptation, including: (1) Which pathways and molecular functions underpin variation

in fitness-related traits? (2) Are these mechanisms evolutionarily conserved? (3)

What are the phenotypic effects of naturally segregating life-history variants? (4)

What is the molecular nature of life-history epistasis, pleiotropy and trade-offs? (5)

Do life-history polymorphisms mediate plasticity and how? (6) Is the genetic basis of

evolutionary changes in life history 'predictable', i.e. relying on variation in the same

pathways or genes? Or do life-history traits evolve unpredictably, i.e. via different

pathways or loci, in different contexts?

A powerful model for dissecting the genetics of life-history adaptation is the

vinegar fly *Drosophila melanogaster*, a species of sub-Saharan African origin, which

has migrated out of Africa ~15,000 years ago and subsequently colonized the rest of

the world (David and Bocquet 1975; David and Capy 1988; de Jong and

Bochdanovits 2003; Hoffmann and Weeks 2007; Adrion et al. 2015). During the

colonization of new climate zones, this ancestrally tropical insect has undergone a

series of life-history adaptations to temperate, seasonal habitats (David and Capy

1988; de Jong and Bochdanovits 2003; Paaby and Schmidt 2009). This is particularly

evident in the case of clines, i.e. directional patterns of phenotypic or genetic change

across environmental gradients. Many studies have documented patterns of

latitudinal differentiation among *D. melanogaster* populations that are presumably

driven by spatially varying selection, for example along the North American and

Australian east coasts, with the corresponding clines spanning subtropical/tropical

and temperate habitats (de Jong and Bochdanovits 2003; Schmidt et al. 2005a,

2005b; Hoffmann and Weeks 2007; Schmidt and Paaby 2008; Kolaczkowski et al.

2011; Fabian et al. 2012; Adrion et al. 2015; Cogni et al. 2017). Clinal trait

differentiation has been found, for instance, for body size, fecundity, reproductive

dormancy, stress resistance and lifespan, typically in a parallel fashion on multiple

continents, suggesting that these patterns are adaptive (Coyne and Beecham 1987;

Schmidt et al. 2000; Weeks et al. 2002; de Jong and Bochdanovits 2003; Schmidt et

al. 2005a, 2005b; Hoffmann and Weeks 2007; Schmidt and Paaby 2008; Adrion et al.

2015; Fabian et al. 2015; Kapun et al. 2016a).

To begin to identify the genetic basis of adaptive life-history clines in *D.*

melanogaster, we have previously performed genome-wide analyses of latitudinal

differentiation along the North American cline (Fabian et al. 2012; Kapun et al.

2016b) (also see Turner et al. 2008; Bergland et al. 2014; Reinhardt et al. 2014;

Machado et al. 2018). Our analysis based on SNP F_{ST} outliers uncovered pervasive

genome-wide patterns of clinality, with hundreds of clinally varying SNPs mapping to

loci involved in the insulin/insulin-like growth factor signaling (IIS)/target of rapamycin

(TOR), ecdysone, torso, EGFR, TGFβ/BMP, JAK/STAT, lipid metabolism, immunity

and circadian rhythm pathways (Fabian et al. 2012). Many of the identified variants

also exhibit parallel differentiation in Australia (Fabian et al. 2012; Kapun et al.

2016b; also cf. Kolaczkowski et al. 2011; Reinhardt et al. 2014; Machado et al.

2016), thereby strengthening the case for clinal adaptation. However, while many

clinal variants might be shaped by selection, some of the observed differentiation

might be due to non-adaptive factors, including population structure, demography,

admixture or hitchhiking with causative sites (Endler 1977; Duchen et al. 2013; Kao

et al. 2015; Bergland et al. 2016). Unambiguously identifying adaptive clinal variants

as causal targets of selection thus requires comparing clinal patterns against neutral

expectations and – optimally – functional genetic testing (Barrett and Hoekstra 2011;

Kapun et al. 2016a, 2016b; Flatt 2016). To date, however, functional analyses and

experimental confirmations of clinal polymorphisms that are potentially subject to

spatially varying selection remain scarce (for some exceptions see e.g. Schmidt et al.

2008; McKechnie et al. 2010; Paaby et al. 2010; Lee et al. 2013; Paaby et al. 2014;

Kapun et al. 2016a; Durmaz et al. 2018; Svetec et al. 2018).

Interestingly, many of the pathways that harbor clinal loci are known from

functional genetic studies to be implicated in the physiological regulation of life

history in organisms such as *C. elegans*, *Drosophila* and the mouse (Tatar et al.

2003; Fielenbach and Antebi 2008; Flatt and Heyland 2011; Flatt et al. 2013). In

particular, we found strongly clinal SNPs in multiple components of the IIS/TOR

pathway, including SNPs in *Drosophila insulin-like peptide* genes *dilp3* and *dilp5*,

insulin-like receptor (*InR*), *phosphatidyl-inositol-4,5-bis-phosphate 3-kinase* (*Pi3K*),

forkhead box-O transcription factor *foxo*, the *foxo* regulator *14-3-3ε, target of brain*

insulin (*tobi*)*, tuberous sclerosis complex 1* (*Tsc1*), and *target of rapamycin* (*Tor*) (Fig.

1; Fabian et al. 2012; Kapun et al. 2016b). This pattern is compelling since loss-of-

function mutations in the IIS/TOR pathway have major, evolutionarily conserved

effects on growth, size, reproduction, lifespan and stress resistance in *Drosophila*, *C.*

elegans, and the mouse (Kenyon et al. 1993; Gems et al. 1998; Böhni et al. 1999;

Brogiolo et al. 2001; Tatar and Yin 2001; Clancy et al. 2001; Kenyon 2001; Oldham

et al. 2002; Oldham and Hafen 2003; Holzenberger et al. 2003; Tatar et al. 2001;

Partridge et al. 2005).

Since many fitness-related traits affected by IIS/TOR also exhibit phenotypic

clines, it is tempting to hypothesize that natural variation in this pathway contributes

to life-history clines, especially with regard to body size (de Jong and Bochdanovits

2003); yet, the evolutionary significance of natural variants in this pathway is poorly

understood. An exception is an indel polymorphism in the *D. melanogaster InR* gene,

which varies clinally along both the North American and Australian east coasts and

which has multifarious life-history effects (Paaby et al. 2010, 2014). Consistent with

the idea that IIS polymorphisms affect adaptation, natural variation in adult

reproductive dormancy in *D. melanogaster* has been connected to the *Pi3K* gene

(Williams et al. 2006), and work in *Caenorhabditis remanei* has identified a global

selective sweep in the *Caenorhabditis* homolog of *Pi3K*, *age-1* (Jovelin et al. 2014).

Multiple lines of evidence also indicate that insulin-like growth factor-1 (IGF-1)

signaling mediates physiological life-history variation in vertebrate populations

(Dantzer and Swanson 2011; Swanson and Dantzer 2014). Together, these findings

suggest that allelic variation in IIS/TOR might profoundly affect life-history adaptation,

but experimental evidence remains scarce (Flatt et al. 2013; Flatt and Partridge

2018).

Here we provide a comprehensive examination of the life-history effects of a

clinally varying polymorphism in the forkhead box-O transcription factor gene *foxo* of

D. melanogaster (Fig. 1), a major regulator of IIS that is homologous to *C. elegans*

daf-16 and mammalian *FOXO3A*. Molecular studies – mainly in the fly and nematode

– have shown that FOXO plays a key role in regulating growth, lifespan and

resistance to starvation and oxidative stress (Jünger et al. 2003; Puig et al. 2003;

Libina et al. 2003; Murphy et al. 2003; Kramer et al. 2003; Kramer et al. 2008;

Hwangbo et al. 2004; Puig and Tijan 2005; Fielenbach and Antebi 2008; Mattila et al.

2009; Slack et al. 2011). Moreover, genetic association studies in humans have

linked polymorphisms in *FOXO3A* to longevity in centenarians (Flachsbart et al.

2009; Willcox et al. 2008). Natural *foxo* variants thus represent promising candidates

for mediating life-history variation in natural populations.

From our previous population genomic data based on three population along the

North American cline (Fabian et al. 2012) we identified two strongly clinally varying

alternative *foxo* alleles, as defined by 2 focal SNPs, whose frequencies change

across latitude by ~60% between Florida and Maine (this paper; also see analyses in

our companion study, Betancourt et al. 2018). Here we characterize the effects of

these clinal *foxo* genotypes on several fitness-related traits (egg-to-adult survival,

proxies of size, starvation resistance, fat content) by measuring phenotypes on

replicate populations of the two alternative alleles under different environmental

assay conditions in the laboratory. Since temperature gradients are thought to

underpin – at least partly – latitudinal clines (e.g., de Jong and Bochdanovits 2003;

Kapun et al. 2016b; and references therein), and because both diet and temperature

modulate IIS (e.g., Britton et al. 2002; Kramer et al. 2003; Puig and Tijan 2005;

Giannakou et al. 2008; Teleman 2010; Puig and Mattila 2011; Li and Gong 2015;

Zhang et al. 2015), we phenotyped replicated population cage cultures of the

alternative alleles at two temperatures (18°C, 25°C) and on two commonly used diets

that differ mainly in their sugar source (sucrose vs. molasses) and content.

Measuring reaction norms to assess phenotypic plasticity and genotype-by-

environment interactions (G × E) for this variant is of interest since still little is known

about whether and how clinality and plasticity interact (van Heerwaarden and Sgrò

2017), and with previous work having mainly focused on gene expression, not whole-

organism traits (e.g., see de Jong and Bochdanovits 2003; Hoffmann et al. 2005;

Levine et al. 2011; Overgaard et al. 2011; Chen et al. 2012; Cooper et al. 2012; Zhao

et al. 2015; Clemson et al. 2016; Mathur and Schmidt 2017; and references therein).

For example, *D. melanogaster* feeds and breeds on various kinds of rotting fruit, with

the protein:carbohydrate (P:C) ratios exhibiting spatiotemporal variation (Lachaise et

al. 1988; Hoffmann and McKechnie 1991; Markow et al. 1999; Keller 2007), but how

dietary plasticity affects traits in a clinal context is not well understood. Similarly, the

interplay between thermal plasticity and thermal adaptation is incompletely

understood (e.g., de Jong and Bochdanovits 2003; Overgaard et al. 2011; Mathur

and Schmidt 2017; van Heerwaarden and Sgrò 2017). We give predictions for the

expected phenotypic effects of the *foxo* variant in terms of clinality, plasticity and the

physiology of IIS in the Methods section below. In brief, our results show that the *foxo*

polymorphism affects multiple components of fitness according to these predictions,

in particular the clinality of size-related traits; we also observe that two alternative

foxo alleles respond plastically to changes in temperature and diet but overall we find

little evidence for G x E interactions.

In a companion study (Betancourt et al. 2018) we analyze all polymorphic SNPs at

the *foxo* locus in a genomic dataset from 10 populations along the North American

cline; use these data to show that our candidate *foxo* polymorphism represents an

extreme outlier in terms of clinality and is likely maintained non-neutrally; report life-

history effects of this polymorphism from independent assays performed under

constant environmental conditions in a different laboratory; and directly compare the

effects of this variant to new phenotypic clinal data collected from six populations

along the North American east coast.

Together, our complementary studies demonstrate that this *foxo* polymorphism is

an important target of spatially varying selection along the North American cline and

that it makes a major contribution to life-history adaptation.

220 *Methods*

221 IDENTIFICATION AND ISOLATION OF THE *FOXO* POLYMORPHISM

We identified two strongly clinal SNPs in *foxo* in the genomic data of Fabian et al.

(2012) by using an F_{ST} outlier approach: an A/G polymorphism at position *3R*:

9892517 (position in the *D. melanogaster* reference genome v.5.0; F_{ST} = 0.48

between Florida and Maine) and a T/G polymorphism at position *3R*: 9894559 (F_{ST} =

0.42 between Florida and Maine) (Fig. S1A, Supporting Information; cf. Fabian et al.

2012 for details of outlier detection; also see Betancourt et al. 2018). The A/G

polymorphism is a synonymous coding SNP, predicted to be located in the PEST

region of the FOXO protein, which serves as a protein degradation signal (analysis

with ExPASy [Artimo et al. 2012]; Fig. S2, Supporting Information). The T/G SNP is

located in the first intron of *foxo*, with no biological function attributed to this position

(Attrill et al. 2016).

While our initial identification of these SNPs was based on only three populations

(Florida, Pennsylvania, and Maine; see Fabian et al. 2012 for details), both SNPs are

also strongly clinal in a more comprehensive dataset based on 10 populations along

the cline, analyzed in the companion study by Betancourt et al. (2018) and collected

by the *Drosophila* Real Time Evolution Consortium (DrosRTEC; Bergland et al. 2014;

Kapun et al. 2016b; Machado et al. 2018). The frequency of the high-latitude [HL]

allele (A, T) for this 2-SNP variant ranges from ~10% in Florida to ~70% in Maine;

conversely, the alternative low-latitude [LL] allele (G,G) is prevalent in Florida but at

low frequency in Maine (Fig. S1A, Supporting Information). Because the two *foxo*

SNPs are located relatively closely to each other (~2 kb apart; Fig. S1A, Supporting

Information), we decided to study them experimentally in combination, as alternative

2-SNP alleles. Indeed, as shown in Fig. S1B (Supporting Information), the two focal

foxo SNPs are in perfect linkage disequilibrium (LD; r^2 = 1), without any significant LD

in-between the two sites. Importantly, our population genomic analyses in Betancourt

et al. (2018) suggest that this polymorphism exhibits much stronger clinality than the

majority of other *foxo* SNPs and that it is likely maintained non-neutrally by spatially

varying selection when compared to a genome-wide panel of 20,000 SNPs in short

introns that presumably evolve neutrally.

To isolate the two alternative *foxo* alleles for experiments we used whole-genome

sequenced inbred lines from the *Drosophila* Genetic Reference Panel (DGRP;

Mackay et al. 2012) to reconstitute outbred populations either fixed for the LL (G,G)

and the HL (A,T) alleles. This 'reconstituted or recombinant outbred population'

(ROP) or 'Mendelian randomization' approach produces populations that are

consistently and completely fixed for the two alternative allelic states to be compared,

with the rest of the genetic background being randomized (see Behrman et al. 2018

and Lafuente et al. 2018 for recent examples using this method). For each allele we

used two independent sets of DGRP lines (sets A and B for HL; sets C and D for LL;

each set consisting of 20 distinct lines) and two replicate population cages per set,

giving a total of 8 population cages (Fig. S3, Table S1, Supporting Information). ROP

cages were established from the DGRP lines at the University of Pennsylvania in

Philadelphia (Betancourt et al. 2018); F2 flies from these cages were transferred to

the University of Lausanne for establishing population cages at our laboratory (see

below).

By analyzing the genomes of the DGRP lines used to set up the experimental

populations we confirmed in Betancourt et al. (2018) that sets A and B versus sets C

and D were completely fixed (F_{ST} = 1) for the HL and LL alleles, respectively. This

analysis also showed that there was no systematic genomic differentiation (F_{ST}) in

the genome-wide background of the two focal SNPs: even though there exist other

SNPs that are strongly differentiated (F_{ST} >0.5) between the HL and LL populations,

the majority of these SNPs are different between the independently replicated sets

(blocks) of DGRP lines that were used to make the HL vs. LL contrast. Thus, strongly

differentiated SNPs that are specific ('private') to a given set of lines do not make a

consistent contribution to the overall HL vs. LL contrast.

The most parsimonious interpretation of our results is therefore that the effects

reported below are caused by the two *foxo* SNPs which we have studied. However,

we cannot completely rule out that other (causative) sites are potentially in long-

range LD with our focal SNPs (see Fig. S1B, Supporting Information). A conservative

interpretation of our results is thus to view the two focal *foxo* SNPs as representing

'tags' or markers for functionally significant variants segregating at the *foxo* locus that

are in LD with the causative site(s), similar to those used in genome-wide association

studies (GWAS; e.g., Wang et al. 2010).

POPULATION CAGES

Population cages in our laboratory in Lausanne were maintained at 25ºC, 12:12 h

light:dark, 60% relative air humidity and controlled larval density. Larval density was

kept constant via egg collections (200-300 eggs per bottle [6 oz. = 177 mL]; 10

bottles per cage), with eclosing adults being released into cages (17.5 x 17.5 x 17.5

cm; BugDorm®) at a density of ~2000-2500 adults per cage. Prior to the phenotypic

assays population cages were kept for 10 generations to allow for free recombination

among lines within each cage and allelic state and to homogenize (randomize)

differences in genomic background between the two allelic states to be compared.

Before setting up assays, we kept cages for 2 generations under common garden

conditions (room temperature: ~22ºC, ~10:14 h light:dark, ~50% humidity). Thus,

phenotypes were measured after a total of 12 generations of recombination.

PHENOTYPE ASSAYS

All assays reported here were performed in our previous laboratory in Lausanne; in

our companion study we report independent assays performed under constant

environmental conditions in Philadelphia (Betancourt et al. 2018), allowing us to

assess the reproducibility of the allelic effects and to account for potential variation in

life-history traits due to potential differences in local laboratory assay conditions (cf.

Ackermann et al. 2001).

In generation 13 (see above) we assayed flies for viability, size, starvation

resistance and lipid content. Phenotypes were assayed under four environmental

conditions, using a fully factorial 2-way design: 2 rearing temperatures (18°C, 25°C)

by 2 commonly used diets that differ mainly in their sugar source (sucrose [cornmeal-

agar-yeast-sucrose] vs. molasses [cornmeal-agar-yeast-molasses] diet and their

protein:carbohydrate ratio (P:C ~1:3.6 vs. ~1:12.3, respectively; see Table S2,

Supporting Information, for details of nutrient content and media recipes). To initiate

assays we collected ~6400 eggs from each cage, distributed them across 32 bottles

(each with 200 eggs; 25 mL medium), and allocated 8 bottles to each of the 4

conditions (8 bottles $\times$ 8 cages $\times$ 4 conditions = 256 bottles). For all assays (except

viability; see below), we collected eclosed adults in 48-h cohorts, allowed them to

mate for 4 days under their respective thermal and dietary conditions, sexed them

under light CO_2 anesthesia 4-6 days post-eclosion, and transferred them to fresh

vials 24 h prior to assays. Flies used for size assays were stored at -20°C until

measurement.

Viability (egg-to-adult survival) was calculated as the proportion of adult flies

successfully developing from eggs by collecting 600 eggs per cage and placing them

into vials containing 8 mL of medium, with 30 eggs per vial (5 vials $\times$ 8 cages $\times$ 4

conditions = 160 vials).

Body size was examined by measuring three proxies: wing area, thorax length and

femur length (N = 26-30 wings, 9-15 thoraces, and 19-21 femurs per cage, treatment,

and sex). Right wings and femurs were mounted on slides with CC/Mount™ tissue

mounting medium (Sigma Aldrich) and slides sealed with cover slips. Thorax length

was defined as the lateral distance between the upper tip of the thorax and the end of

the scutellar plate (N = 10-15 individuals per cage, treatment, and sex). Images for

morphometric measurements were taken with a digital camera (Leica DFC 290)

attached to a stereo dissecting microscope (Leica MZ 125; Leica Microsystems

GmbH, Wetzlar, Germany). We used ImageJ software (v.1.47) to measure femur and

thorax length (mm) and to define landmarks for calculating wing area (mm^2). To

measure wing area we defined 12 landmarks located at various vein intersections

along the wing; the total area encompassed by these landmarks was estimated using

a custom-made Python script (available upon request). In brief, we split the polygon

defined by the landmarks up into triangles and summed across their areas (Fig. S4,

Supporting Information). Thorax and femur (but not wing area) measurements were

repeated three times per individual (see below for estimates of 'repeatability'). From

these data, we calculated the ratio of wing area:thorax length, which is inversely

related to 'wing loading' (Azevedo et al. 1998; Gilchrist et al. 2000); reduced wing

loading (i.e., increased wing dimensions relative to body size) can improve flight

performance at low temperature (Frazier et al. 2008).

To measure starvation resistance (i.e., survival upon starvation) we placed flies

into vials containing 0.5% agar/water medium and scored the duration of survival (h)

upon starvation every 6 h until all flies had died (N = 5 vials × 10 flies per vial × 2

sexes × 8 cages × 4 conditions = 320 vials or 3200 flies).

Since there is typically a positive correlation between starvation resistance and

lipid content (Hoffmann and Harshman 1999), we also determined whole-body

triacylglyceride (TAG) content (in μg per fly) using a serum triglyceride determination

kit (Sigma Aldrich; Tennessen et al. 2014). For each cage and treatment, triglyceride

content was estimated from 5-7-day-old females, either kept under fed or starved (24

h) conditions, by preparing 10 replicate homogenates, each made from 2 flies (8

cages × 4 conditions × 2 treatments × 10 replicates = 640 homogenates). To

estimate fat loss upon starvation we calculated the difference between fat content

under fed versus starved conditions, using treatment (fed vs. starved) means from

each population cage (mean fat loss per fly, in *µ*g).

QRT-PCR ANALYSIS OF INSULIN SIGNALING STATE

A well-established transcriptional read-out of FOXO signaling is the insulin-like

receptor InR: under conditions of high insulin (e.g., after a meal), InR synthesis is

repressed by a feedback mechanism controlled by FOXO; conversely, under

conditions of low insulin, activation of FOXO leads to upregulation of *InR* mRNA

(Puig et al. 2003; Puig and Tjian 2005). To test whether the *foxo* alleles differ in IIS

state we performed qRT-PCR, measuring *InR* mRNA abundance. For each cage and

treatment, we extracted total RNA from 5-7-day-old snap-frozen females in triplicate,

with each replicate prepared from 5 flies. RNA was extracted with the RNeasy kit

(Qiagen) and reverse transcribed with the GoScript Reverse Transcription System

(Promega). From each triplicate biological sample we prepared 3 technical replicates

(8 cages × 4 conditions × 3 biological replicates × 3 technical replicates = 288

samples). Relative transcript abundance was normalized by using *Actin5C* as an

endogenous control (Ponton et al. 2011). qRT-PCR was carried out using a

QuantStudio 6 Flex Real-Time PCR System (Applied Biosystems) and SYBR Green

GoTaq qPCR Master Mix (Promega). Thermal cycling was conducted at 95°C for 2

min, followed by 42 cycles of amplification at 95°C for 15 s and 60°C for 1 min, and

using the following melting curve: 95°C for 15 s, 60°C for 1 min, and 95°C for 15 s.

Quantification of relative abundance for each sample was based on the ΔCT method.

We used the following primer sequences (Casas-Tinto et al. 2007; Ponton et al.

2011): *Actin5C forward*, 5'-GCGTCGGTCAATTCAATCTT-3'; *Actin5C reverse*, 5'-

AAGCTGCAACCTCTTCGTCA-3'; *InR forward*, 5'-CACAAGCTGGAAAGAAAGTGC-

3'; *InR reverse*, 5'- CAAACACGTTTCGATAATATTTTTCT-3'.

STATISTICAL ANALYSIS

Analyses were performed with JMP (SAS, Raleigh, NC, USA; v.11.1.1). Data were

analyzed with analysis of variance (ANOVA), testing the fixed effects of allele (*A*; HL

vs. LL), temperature (*T*; 18°C vs. 25°C), diet (*D*; sucrose vs. molasses), set (*S*;

independent blocks of DGRP lines) nested within *A*, replicate cage (*C*) nested within

the combination of *A* and *S*, and all 2- and 3-way interactions: $y = A + T + D + A \times T$

$+ A \times D + T \times D + A \times T \times D + S(A) + C(A,S)$, where *y* denotes the response variable

(trait). For simplicity, the sexes were analyzed separately (i.e., to reduce the number

of higher-order interactions).

For starvation resistance we measured age at death from multiple individuals per

replicate vial; we thus estimated and accounted for the random effect of vial (*V*),

nested within the combination of *A*, *S* and *C*, using restricted maximum likelihood

(REML) (see Supporting Information for these estimates).

Viability (proportion) data were arcsine square-root transformed prior to analysis.

ANOVA on thorax and femur length data was performed using means across 3

measures per individual. From the repeat measurements of these traits on the same

individuals, we estimated the 'repeatability' of our measurements (i.e., the intraclass

correlation; see Whitlock and Schluter 2009) by performing random-effects ANOVAs

with REML. Overall, repeatibility was very high for femur length (~91.9% for females;

94.4% for males) but less so for thorax length (~29.9% for females; 36.6% for males)

(details not shown). Because wings and thoraces were measured on separate

individuals, analysis of wing:thorax ratio was performed on population (cage) means.

For fat content, we included the fixed effect of starvation treatment (Tr; fed vs.

starved); interactions involving A and Tr (i.e., $A \times Tr$; $A \times D \times Tr$) test for allelic

differences in fat loss upon starvation. For simplicity, this analysis was performed

separately for the two rearing temperatures.

To estimate the magnitude of the allelic effects of the *foxo* polymorphism upon the

assayed fitness components we calculated Cohen's d (Table S3, Supporting

Information), a standardized measure of effect size (i.e., a signal to noise ratio,

defined as the difference between two means divided by their pooled standard

deviation) (Cohen 1988; Sawilowsky 2009). Low values of Cohen's d (e.g., 0.01) are

commonly interpreted as representing very small effect sizes, whereas effect sizes

>0.8 are interpreted as being qualitatively large to very large (Sawilowsky 2009).

We also estimated the relative contribution of the clinal *foxo* polymorphism to the

overall phenotypic cline for wing area, a trait which we have recently measured

across 6 populations along the North American east coast (Betancourt et al. 2018).

This analysis was performed for flies raised on a molasses diet at 25°C, i.e. using

similar assay conditions as those used by Betancourt et al. (2018) for clinal wing area

measurements. We calculated the proportional contribution of the *foxo* polymorphism

to the overall cline as follows: $\Delta_{foxo} \times \Delta_{frequency} / \Delta_{cline}$, where Δ_{foxo} is the difference in

mean wing area between the HL and LL allelic states, $\Delta_{frequency}$ is the allele frequency

gradient for the *foxo* polymorphism between the cline ends (Maine vs. Florida, ~60%)

and Δ_{cline} is the difference in mean wing area between the cline ends as estimated

from the data in Betancourt et al. (2018).

PREDICTIONS

Here we make some qualitative predictions for the expected behavior of the *foxo*

polymorphism with regard to (1) clinal phenotypic effects, (2) patterns of trait

covariation determined by IIS, and (3) plasticity, G × E, and local adaptation. We

compare our results to these predictions in the Results section below.

(1) Latitudinal clinality. Traits which have been found to covary positively with

latitude include, for example, faster development, lower egg-to-adult survival

(viability), increased body size, reduced wing loading, reduced fecundity, prolonged

lifespan, and increased resistance to starvation, cold and heat stress (e.g., Coyne

and Beecham 1987; Azevedo et al. 1998; Bochdanovits and de Jong 2003a; de Jong

and Bochdanovits 2003; Schmidt et al. 2005a, 2005b; Folguera et al. 2008; Schmidt

and Paaby 2008; Bhan et al. 2014; Mathur and Schmidt 2017; Durmaz et al. 2018).

For some traits clinal patterns have been observed in a parallel fashion on multiple

continents, but there can also be major differences among continents (e.g., see

discussion in Fabian et al. 2015); for example, contrasting predictions have been

made for viability (van 't Land et al. 1999), starvation resistance (Karan et al. 1998,

Robinson et al. 2002; Hoffmann et al. 2005; Goenaga et al. 2013) and heat tolerance

(Hoffmann et al. 2002; Sgrò et al. 2010).

In general, we would expect that the effects of the high- and low-latitude *foxo*

alleles agree with the overall phenotypic patterns across latitude, especially for those

traits that have previously been examined along the North American cline (e.g.,

Coyne and Beecham 1987; Schmidt and Paaby 2008; Paaby et al. 2014; Kapun et

al. 2016a; Mathur and Schmidt 2017; Durmaz et al. 2018).

(2) IIS. Traits that are associated with reduced IIS include reduced body size,

increased lifespan, resistance to starvation and cold, increased fat content, reduced

fecundity, and activation of FOXO (Tatar et al. 2001, 2003; Oldham and Hafen 2003;

Broughton et al. 2005; Teleman 2010). For example, loss-of-function (LOF) mutants

of *foxo* exhibit (depending on the allele) prolonged development, reduced weight,

smaller wing size, reduced fecundity, shortened lifespan, and reduced survival upon

oxidative and starvation stress (Jünger et al. 2003; Kramer et al. 2003, 2008;

Hwangbo et al. 2004; Giannakou et al. 2004; Giannakou et al. 2008; Slack et al.

2011); the effects of IIS (or of *foxo*) on viability are, however, not well understood.

Conversely, overexpression of *foxo* has opposite effects on most of these traits (e.g.,

increased lifespan), yet – like LOF alleles – causes decreased size (Kramer et al.

2003; Puig et al. 2003; Hwangbo et al. 2004; Kramer et al. 2008; Tang et al. 2011).

We predict that the naturally occurring *foxo* alleles tested here differ consistently

along this IIS/*foxo* axis of trait covariation. Notably, traits observed in flies from high-

versus low-latitude populations in North America resemble those of flies with low

versus high IIS, respectively (e.g., de Jong and Bochdanovits 2003; Flatt et al. 2013;

Paaby et al. 2014): lower fecundity, improved stress resistance, and longer lifespan

observed in high-latitude flies are traits that tend to be co-expressed in IIS mutants;

however, flies from high-latitude populations are larger than low-latitude flies, yet

reduced IIS causes smaller size.

(3) Plasticity, G × E, and local adaptation. With regard to thermal effects, we would

expect flies raised at lower temperature to exhibit prolonged development, reduced

viability, larger size, reduced wing loading, lower fecundity, increased lifespan, and

improved starvation resistance (David et al. 1994; Partridge et al. 1994a, 1994b;

James and Partridge 1995; Bochdanovits and de Jong 2003b; Trotta et al. 2006;

Folguera et al. 2008; Klepsatel et al. 2013, 2014; Mathur and Schmidt 2017; cf.

Hoffmann et al. 2005 for a contrasting prediction for starvation survival).

With respect to dietary effects, higher P:C ratios, for instance, might be expected

to cause increased viability, larger size but reduced starvation resistance (Lee and

Jang 2014; Lihoreau et al. 2016; Reis 2016). In terms of G $\times$ E, genotypes from

temperate, seasonal high-latitude habitats might be more plastic than those from low-

latitude habitats (Overgaard et al. 2011; Klepsatel et al. 2013); if so, patterns of

differential plasticity between high- and low-latitude alleles might be consistent with

patterns of local adaptation (Mathur and Schmidt 2017).

Results

The clinal *foxo* polymorphism examined here (or causative SNPs in LD with it; see

caveat in the Methods section) impacted all fitness components assayed (Table 1;

Tables S3 and S4, Supporting Information), including significant effects on egg-to-

adult survival (viability) (qualitatively moderate to large effects, as measured by

Cohen's *d*), femur length (very small to medium), wing area (medium), thorax length

(very small to very large), starvation resistance (very small to medium), and lipid

content (very small to large effects).

ALLELIC VARIATION AT *FOXO* AFFECTS VIABILITY

The *foxo* polymorphism significantly affected viability, with the LL allele exhibiting

higher egg-to-adult survival than the HL allele (Fig. 2; Table 1), consistent with

observations suggesting that viability might be higher at low latitudes (Folguera et al.

2008; but see van 't Land et al. 1999). Diet – but not temperature – also had an

effect, with viability being higher on sucrose than on molasses diet (Fig. 2; Table 1).

We did not find any evidence for G × E interactions affecting this trait.

CLINAL *FOXO* ALLELES DIFFER IN BODY SIZE

Since both latitude and IIS affect size (de Jong and Bochdanovits 2003), we next

examined three proxies of body size (wing area, thorax and femur length). The HL

allele conferred larger femur length (Fig. 3; Table 1; in females but not males), wing

area (Fig. S5; Table S4, Supporting Information), and wing:thorax ratio than the LL

allele (Fig. 4; Table 1; for thorax data see Fig. S6; Table S4, Supporting Information).

These results are consistent with the positive size cline in North America (Coyne and

Beecham 1987; Betancourt et al. 2018) and with reduced wing loading at high

latitude (Azevedo et al. 1998; Bhan et al. 2014). Remarkably, with regard to wing

area, we estimate that the *foxo* polymorphism as measured in our experiments

makes a proportional contribution of ~14% to the total cline for wing area as

measured by Betancourt et al. (2018) (females: $\Delta_{foxo} \times \Delta_{frequency} / \Delta_{cline} \approx 0.017 \times 0.6 /$

$0.074 \approx 0.138$; males: $\Delta_{foxo} \times \Delta_{frequency} / \Delta_{cline} \approx 0.019 \times 0.6 / 0.083 \approx 0.137$) – this

represents a major contribution to the wing size cline along the North American east

coast (see Coyne and Beecham 1987; Betancourt et al. 2018).

For all size traits, females were larger than males (Fig. 3; Fig. 4; Table 1; Fig. S5;

Fig. S6; Table S4, Supporting Information), as is typically observed. With regard to

the plastic effects of temperature, femur length, thorax length and wing area were

larger at 18°C than at 25°C (Fig. 3; Fig. S5, Fig. S6, Supporting Information; Table 1;

Table S4, Supporting Information), as is expected based on previous work (David et

al. 1994; Partridge et al. 1994a). In terms of dietary plasticity, femur and thorax

length were larger on sucrose than on molasses diet (Fig. 3; Table 1; Fig. S6; Table

S4, Supporting Information), perhaps in line with the observation that more

carbohydrate-rich diets cause smaller size (Reis 2016); however, wing area and

wing:thorax ratio were larger on molasses than on sucrose diet (Fig. S5; Table S4,

Supporting Information; and Fig. 4; Table 1). Although we found a few G × E

interactions for size traits (Fig. 4; Fig. 5; Table 1; Fig. S5; Fig. S6; Table S4,

Supporting Information), the allelic reaction norms were overall remarkably parallel

across environmental conditions.

POLYMORPHISM AT *FOXO* IMPACTS STARVATION AND FAT CATABOLISM

The *foxo* alleles also differed in their effects on resistance to (survival of) starvation in

females (Fig. 5; Table 1), as might be expected based on the observation that *foxo*

mutants are more starvation sensitive than wildtype (Jünger et al. 2003; Kramer et al.

2003, 2008). However, contrary to clinal predictions (Schmidt and Paaby 2008;

Mathur and Schmidt 2017; Betancourt et al. 2018), LL females were more resistant

than HL females (Fig. 5; Table 1), suggesting a countergradient effect; in males,

there were no allelic differences in resistance (Fig. S7; Table S4, Supporting

Information; for estimates of the variance components of the random effect of vial

see Table S5, Supporting Information). Overall females were more resistant than

males (Fig. 5; Table 1; Fig. S7; Table S4, Supporting Information), consistent with

some but not other studies (Goenaga et al. 2010; but see Matzkin et al. 2009). For

both females and males, starvation resistance was higher at 18°C than at 25°C (Fig.

5; Table 1; Fig. S7; Table S4, Supporting Information), as previously reported

(Mathur and Schmidt 2017). Flies raised on molasses diet were more resistant than

those raised on sucrose diet (Fig. 5; Table 1; Fig. S7; Table S4, Supporting

Information), potentially in support of the finding that lower P:C ratios favor higher

resistance (Chippindale et al. 1993; Lee and Jang 2014). We also found evidence for

an allele by diet interaction: allelic differences in resistance were more pronounced

on molasses than sucrose diet (Fig. 5; Table 1; Fig. S7; Table S4, Supporting

Information).

To further examine the physiological basis of starvation resistance we quantified

how much fat female flies mobilize upon starvation (Fig 6; Table 2; males were not

examined since they did not show allelic differences in resistance). Paralleling our

result that LL females are more resistant than HL females, the amount of fat

catabolized under starvation was greater in LL than in HL females, under almost all

conditions (except for females raised on sucrose diet at 25°C; see Fig. 6 and Table 2:

significant allele by diet by starvation treatment interaction at 25°C but not at 18°C).

Fat loss upon starvation was greater for flies raised on molasses than on sucrose

diet (Fig 6; Table 2), again matching the results for starvation resistance itself.

FOXO* ALLELES DIFFER IN TRANSCRIPTIONAL FEEDBACK CONTROL OF *InR

From the above patterns we predicted that the LL allele would exhibit decreased IIS

and increased FOXO activity: the LL allele has smaller size but higher starvation

resistance, i.e. traits that co-occur in IIS mutants or flies with increased FOXO

activity. To test this hypothesis we performed qRT-PCR analysis of a major

transcriptional target of FOXO, *InR*: when IIS is low, FOXO becomes active and

upregulates *InR* transcription, while under high IIS FOXO is inactive and represses

InR (Puig et al. 2003; Puig and Tjian 2005). In support of this hypothesis we found

that the LL allele had a ~12% higher level of *InR* transcript than the HL allele (Fig.

S8; Table S6, Supporting Information). Dietary conditions also affected *InR* levels,

with flies raised on molasses producing more *InR* than flies raised on sucrose diet

(Fig. S8; Table S6, Supporting Information).

Discussion

CONNECTING ADAPTIVE CLINAL PHENOTYPES TO GENOTYPES

Here we have studied the life-history effects of a strongly clinally varying, presumably

adaptive polymorphism in the IIS gene *foxo*, a naturally segregating variant identified

from our genomic analysis of the North American latitudinal cline (Fabian et al. 2012;

Betancourt et al. 2018).

As hypothesized by de Jong and Bochdanovits (2003), genes of the IIS/TOR

pathway might represent particularly promising candidates underlying clinal life-

history adaptation in *D. melanogaster*: (1) laboratory mutants in this pathway often

mirror life-history traits and trade-offs observed in natural populations (de Jong and

Bochdanovits 2003; Clancy et al. 2001; Tatar et al. 2001; Tatar and Yin 2001; Tatar

et al. 2003; Paaby et al. 2010; Flatt et al. 2013; Paaby et al. 2014; Flatt and Partridge

2018); (2) reproductive dormancy in response to cool temperature and short

photoperiod, a genetically variable and clinal trait (Williams and Sokolowski 1993;

Schmidt et al. 2005a; Schmidt and Conde 2006; Schmidt et al. 2005b; Schmidt and

Paaby 2008), is physiologically regulated by IIS (Williams et al. 2006; Flatt et al.

2013; Kubrak et al. 2014; Schiesari et al. 2016; Zhao et al. 2016; Andreatta et al.

2018); (3) genomic analyses of clinal differentiation has identified many clinal SNPs

in the IIS/TOR pathway presumably shaped by spatially varying selection (Fig. 1;

Kolaczkowksi et al. 2011; Fabian et al. 2012; Kapun et al. 2016b); and (4) genome-

wide analyses of variation in size-related traits have identified novel regulators of

growth, several of which interact with the IIS/TOR pathway (Vonesch et al. 2016;

Strassburger et al. 2017). For example, in support of the idea that variation in IIS

contributes to clinal adaptation in *D. melanogaster,* Paaby and colleagues have

identified a clinal indel polymorphism in *InR* with pleiotropic effects on development,

body size, fecundity, lifespan, oxidative stress resistance, chill coma recovery, and

insulin signaling (Paaby et al. 2010, 2014). Our results on *foxo* lend further support to

the hypothesis of de Jong and Bochdanovits (2003).

THE EFFECTS OF NATURAL VERSUS NULL ALLELES AT THE *FOXO* LOCUS

Previous work with loss-of-function mutants and transgenes has uncovered a major

role of *foxo* in the regulation of growth, lifespan and resistance to starvation and

oxidative stress (Jünger et al. 2003; Puig et al. 2003; Kramer et al. 2003; Giannakou

et al. 2004; Hwangbo et al. 2004; Kramer et al. 2008; Slack et al. 2011), but nothing

is known yet about the effects of natural alleles at this locus. An important distinction

in this context is that null mutants, by definition, reveal the complete set of functions

and phenotypes of a given gene and may therefore be highly pleiotropic, whereas

'evolutionarily relevant' mutations or alleles might have much more subtle effects,

with little or no pleiotropy (Stern 2000). Based on our knowledge of the traits affected

by *foxo* in null mutants and transgenes (Jünger et al. 2003; Kramer et al. 2003, 2008;

Slack et al. 2011), we measured how the clinal 2-SNP variant affects size traits and

starvation resistance.

Although we could not predict with certainty the directionality and/or the degree of

pleiotropy of the allelic effects *a priori*, we found that the *foxo* polymorphism

differentially affects several size-related traits and starvation resistance, phenotypes

known to be affected by the *foxo* locus. With regard to growth and size, our findings

from natural variants agree well with functional genetic studies showing that genetic

manipulations of the *foxo* locus affect body size and wing area (Jünger et al. 2003;

Slack et al. 2011; Tang et al. 2011). Similarly, our observation that variation at *foxo*

affects survival and fat content upon starvation is consistent with the fact that *foxo*

mutants display reduced starvation resistance (Jünger et al. 2003; Kramer et al.

2003, 2008). In contrast, although *foxo* null mutants produce viable adults (Jünger et

al. 2003; Slack et al. 2011), whether distinct *foxo* alleles vary in viability has not yet

been examined; here we find that the two natural alleles differ in egg-to-adult

survival. We also asked whether the alleles differentially affect mRNA abundance of

InR, a transcriptional target of FOXO (Puig et al. 2003; Puig and Tjian 2005). Indeed,

the LL allele had higher *InR* mRNA levels, consistent with the LL genotype exhibiting

reduced IIS and higher FOXO activity.

For most traits measured, both alleles reacted plastically to changes in diet and

temperature in the direction predicted from previous work (Partridge et al. 1994a,

1994b; Lee and Jang 2014; Lihoreau et al. 2016; Mathur and Schmidt 2017), yet we

found very little evidence for allele by environment (G $\times$ E) interactions.

While our experimental design does not allow us to disentangle the contribution of

the 2 individual SNPs to the total effects seen for the *foxo* polymorphism, our results

suggest that the naturally occurring alternative alleles at *foxo* we have examined here

– and which are defined by only two linked SNP positions –can apparently have quite

strong pleiotropic (or, via LD, correlational) effects upon multiple complex life-history

traits, including on viability, several proxies of size and on starvation resistance (for

estimates of allelic effect sizes see Table S4, Supporting Information). This is

consistent with the pleiotropic effects seen in *foxo* loss-of-function mutant alleles (see

references above) and might support the idea that the architecture of life-history

traits, which are connected via multiple trade-offs, is inherently pleiotropic (Williams

1957; Finch and Rose 1995; Flatt et al. 2005; Flatt and Promislow 2007; Flatt and

Schmidt 2009; Flatt et al. 2013; Paaby et al. 2014); it also provides a contrast to the

model from evo-devo which posits that most evolutionarily relevant mutations should

exhibit little or no pleiotropy (Stern 2011). In particular, the pleiotropic effects of the

foxo variant might explain why this polymorphism might be maintained, through some

form of balancing selection, in natural populations along the cline.

INSULIN SIGNALING, CLINALITY, AND COUNTERGRADIENT VARIATION

How does the *foxo* variant contribute to phenotypic clines observed across latitude?

High-latitude flies tend to be characterized, for example, by larger body size,

decreased fecundity, longer lifespan and improved stress resistance as compared to

low-latitude flies, and this differentiation is genetically based (Coyne and Beecham

1987; Schmidt et al. 2005a, 2005b; Schmidt and Paaby 2008; Mathur and Schmidt

2017; Durmaz et al. 2018). Do the allelic effects go in the same direction as the

latitudinal gradient, representing cogradient variation, or do certain allelic effects run

counter to the cline, representing countergradient variation (Levins 1968; Conover

and Schultz 1995)? Cogradient variation occurs when diversifying selection favors

different traits in different environments, as expected from selection along a cline,

whereas countergradient variation occurs when stabilizing selection favors similar

traits in different environments (Conover and Schultz 1995; Marcil et al. 2006).

Consistent with clinal expectation, the HL allele confers larger size (Coyne and

Beecham 1987; de Jong and Bochdanovits 2003); increased wing:thorax ratio, which

corresponds to reduced 'wing loading', a trait hypothesized to be adaptive for flight at

cold temperature (Stalker 1980; David et al. 1994; Azevedo et al. 1998; Frazier et al.

2008; Bhan et al. 2014); and reduced viability (Folguera et al. 2008). Conversely, the

LL allele exhibits smaller size, increased wing loading, and higher viability. Thus, the

foxo variant contributes to the observed phenotypic cline in the predicted direction

(gradient or cogradient variation) and appears to be maintained by spatially varying

selection (for a remarkable example where size is subject to countergradient – not

cogradient – variation along an altitudinal gradient in Puerto Rican *D. melanogaster*

see Levins, 1968, 1969). Importantly, our results for the allelic effects of this

polymorphism on size-related traits are fully consistent with the independent assays

performed by Betancourt et al. (2018) under constant laboratory conditions and

suggest a major contribution of the *foxo* polymorphism to clinal size variation (the

polymorphism seems to account for ~14% of the total latitudinal cline in wing area;

see Results section).

For starvation resistance, we found – contrary to clinal predictions – that the HL

allele is less resistant than the LL allele, consistent with countergradient variation (but

see Betancourt et al. 2018; discussion below). Interestingly, a similar countergradient

effect (on body size) was found for the *InR* polymorphism mentioned above: the high-

latitude *InR^{short}* allele confers smaller size, even though flies from high-latitude

populations are normally larger (Paaby et al. 2014). Likewise, for a clinal variant of

neurofibromin 1 (*Nf1*) the high-latitude haplotype has smaller wing size, an effect that

runs counter to the cline (Lee et al. 2013). However, as mentioned in the methods,

we can of course not completely rule out potentially confounding LD effects that

might account for this unexpected result with regard to starvation resistance.

In terms of the physiological effects of IIS, temperate fly populations might be

characterized by 'thrifty' genotypes with high IIS, whereas tropical populations might

have a higher frequency of 'spendthrift' genotypes with low IIS (de Jong and

Bochdanovits 2003). Our finding that the low-latitude *foxo* allele likely exhibits

increased FOXO activity and lower IIS seems to support this, yet Paaby et al. (2014)

found that IIS was lower for the high-latitude *InR* allele. The directionality of IIS

effects along the cline thus remains difficult to predict.

As noted by Lee et al. (2013) and Paaby et al. (2014), clinal variants subject to

countergradient effects might interact epistatically with other loci affecting the trait, or

they might be affected by antagonistic selection pressures (Schluter et al. 1991).

Conflicting selection pressures on clinal variants might be particularly acute when

they exhibit pleiotropic effects on multiple traits, as is the case for the polymorphisms

at *Nf1, InR*, and *foxo.* These examples illustrate the complexity of dissecting clinal

selection and the genotype-phenotype map underlying clinal adaptation (Lee et al.

2013; Paaby et al. 2014; Flatt 2016).

With regard to starvation resistance, an important caveat is that the results for this

trait were opposite between our laboratories: in our assays in Lausanne the low-

latitude *foxo* allele was more starvation resistant, while in Philadelphia the low-

latitude conferred increased resistance (Betancourt et al. 2018). This discrepancy

might be due to differences in the assay protocols used for measuring starvation

resistance in our laboratories: in contrast to our protocol using agar (see above), the

assay used in Betancourt et al. (2018) might additionally impose some degree of

desiccation stress. Interestingly, desiccation resistance is known to vary latitudinally

along the North America east coast (Rajpurohit et al. 2018), but whether the *foxo*

polymorphism examined here affects survival upon desiccation remains unknown

and awaits future study. Overall, however, our independent life-history assays across

two laboratories suggest that our phenotypic results are qualitatively robust and

repeatable (for a discussion of the effects of local laboratory assay conditions see

Ackermann et al. 2001).

GROWING EVIDENCE FOR A ROLE OF IIS IN LIFE-HISTORY ADAPTATION

The IIS pathway provides an excellent example of how mechanistic and evolutionary

insights might be combined to gain a more complete understanding of the ultimate

and proximate determinants of life-history adaptation (Finch and Rose 1995; Houle

2001; Flatt and Heyland 2011). Since the 1990s, a great deal has been learned

about the genetic, developmental and physiological effects of this pathway in model

organisms. This work has shown that IIS mutants affect major fitness-related traits,

and this in turn has illuminated our understanding of the molecular underpinnings of

growth, size, lifespan and trade-offs (Partridge and Gems 2002; Tatar et al. 2003;

Flatt et al. 2005; Flatt and Heyland 2011; Flatt et al. 2013). In particular, these

studies have revealed that the IIS pathway plays an evolutionarily conserved role in

the physiological regulation of longevity (Partridge and Gems 2002; Tatar et al.

2003); they have also given us some of the clearest examples of alleles exhibiting

antagonistic pleiotropy (Williams 1957; Flatt and Promislow 2007; and references

above).

The functional characterization of this pathway therefore promised an opportunity

for evolutionary geneticists to identify natural variants involved in life-history evolution

(de Jong and Bochdanovits 2003). Yet, 'life history loci' identified via functional

genetic analysis need not necessarily contribute to standing variation for these traits

in the wild (Flatt 2004; Flatt and Schmidt 2009; Fabian et al. 2018). For some time, it

thus remained unclear whether natural variation in this pathway impacts variation in

fitness-related traits in natural populations (see Reznick 2005; Fabian et al. 2018).

Today, we have growing evidence that variation in IIS indeed can make an

important contribution to life-history variation in flies and other insects, worms, fish,

reptiles and mammals, including effects on longevity in humans (e.g., de Jong and

Bochdanovits 2003; Williams et al. 2006; Flachsbart et al. 2008; Suh et al. 2008;

Willcox et al. 2008; Alvarez-Ponce et al. 2009; Sparkman et al. 2009, 2010; Paaby et

al. 2010; Stuart and Page 2010; Dantzer and Swanson 2012; Jovelin et al. 2014;

Paaby et al. 2014; Swanson and Dantzer 2014; McGaugh et al. 2015; Schwartz and

Bronikowski 2016; Zhao et al. 2016; and references therein). On the other hand,

'evolve and resequence' studies of *Drosophila* longevity have failed to find a major

contribution of standing variation in IIS to evolved changes in life history and lifespan,

perhaps suggesting that the IIS pathway might be selectively constrained, at least

with regard to the evolution of certain traits (e.g., Remolina et al. 2012; Fabian et al.

2018; Flatt and Partridge 2018). In sum, this body of work illustrates how one might

be able to connect genotypes to molecular mechanisms to components of fitness by

studying a fundamentally important physiological pathway from multiple angles

(Finch and Rose 1995; Houle 2001; Flatt and Heyland 2011; Flatt et al. 2013).

Conclusions

Here we have found that a strongly clinal polymorphism (which might be viewed as a

marker for alleles of functional significance) at the *foxo* locus has pleiotropic (or

correlational) effects upon several fitness-related traits known to vary clinally across

latitude, including egg-to-adult survival, several size-related traits, starvation

resistance and fat content. Depending on the thermal and dietary assay conditions,

the polymorphism had moderate to large allelic effects on these traits, but we found

little evidence for G $\times$ E interactions. The directionality of most of the observed allelic

effects matches previously observed phenotypic clines, especially with regard to

size-related traits (e.g., Schmidt et al. 2005a, 2005b; Schmidt and Paaby 2008;

Durmaz et al. 2018; Betancourt et al. 2018). In particular in terms of wing area, the

foxo polymorphism seems to make a substantial contribution to the total phenotypic

cline. These results – except for stress resistance – are corroborated by independent

assays reported in Betancourt et al. (2018). Our observations on a naturally

segregating polymorphism are also in good qualitative agreement with functional

genetic studies of the *foxo* locus using mutants and transgenes (Jünger et al. 2003;

Kramer et al. 2008; Slack et al. 2011). Together with the study of Betancourt et al.

(2018), whose genomic analyses indicate that this polymorphism likely evolves non-

neutrally, our results suggest that standing genetic variation in the IIS pathway

makes an important and – at least partly – predictable contribution to clinal life-history

adaptation in *Drosophila*.

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1320 **DATA ACCESSIBILITY**

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Table 1. Summary of ANOVA results for viability; femur length; wing area:thorax length ratio; female starvation resistance (also cf. Table S5). White and grey cells show results for females and males, respectively. $*p < 0.05$; $**p < 0.01$; $***p < 0.001$.

Factor	Proportion Viability	Femur Length	Wing Area: Thorax Length Ratio	Starvation Resistance
Allele	$F_{1,32}=20.65^{***}$	$F_{1,32}=16.66^{***}$	$F_{1,4}=46.64^{***}$	$F_{1,32}=23.86^{***}$
		$F_{1,32}=0.16$	$F_{1,4}=82.17^{***}$	
Temperature	$F_{1,114}=3.24$	$F_{1,1923}=1617.80^{***}$	$F_{1,18}=477.45^{***}$	$F_{1,1547}=732.08^{***}$
		$F_{1,1923}=443.60^{***}$	$F_{1,18}=1366.87^{***}$	
Diet	$F_{1,114}=8.43^{**}$	$F_{1,1923}=144.72^{***}$	$F_{1,18}=50.35^{***}$	$F_{1,1547}=129.99^{***}$
		$F_{1,1923}=68.24^{***}$	$F_{1,18}=127.77^{***}$	
Allele x Temperature	$F_{1,114}=2.25$	$F_{1,1923}=0.36$	$F_{1,18}=0.14$	$F_{1,1547}=3.43$
		$F_{1,1923}=1.40$	$F_{1,18}=0.32$	
Temperature x Diet	$F_{1,114}=1.85$	$F_{1,1923}=13.26^{***}$	$F_{1,18}=16.64^{***}$	$F_{1,1547}=14.81^{***}$
		$F_{1,1923}=4.65$	$F_{1,18}=56.36^{***}$	
Allele x Diet	$F_{1,114}=1.71$	$F_{1,1923}=3.28$	$F_{1,18}=0.21$	$F_{1,1547}=16.22^{***}$
		$F_{1,1923}=4.04^{*}$	$F_{1,18}=2.53$	
Allele x Temperature x Diet	$F_{1,114}=0.39$	$F_{1,1923}=6.41^{*}$	$F_{1,18}=0$	$F_{1,1547}=1.63$
		$F_{1,1923}=0.95$	$F_{1,18}=8.34^{**}$	
Set(Allele)	$F_{2,32}=2.50$	$F_{2,32}=5.89^{**}$	$F_{2,4}=6.86^{**}$	$F_{2,32}=45.24^{***}$
		$F_{2,32}=0.75$	$F_{2,4}=3.80^{*}$	
Cage(Set, Allele)	$F_{4,32}=61.25^{***}$	$F_{4,32}=37.43^{***}$	NA	$F_{4,32}=11.17^{***}$
		$F_{4,32}=415.66^{***}$	NA	

1360 **Table 2.** ANOVA results for female fat loss upon starvation. $*p < 0.05$; $**p < 0.01$;

1361 $***p < 0.001$. The fixed factor 'Treatment' has two levels: fed vs. starved; interactions

1362 involving the factors 'Allele' and 'Treatment' test for allelic differences in fat

1363 catabolism.

Factor	Fat content	
	18°C	25°C
Allele	$F_{1,32}=0.02$	$F_{1,32}=1.90$
Diet	$F_{1,301}=70.97^{***}$	$F_{1,300}=310.82^{***}$
Treatment	$F_{1,301}=223.48^{***}$	$F_{1,300}=130.68^{***}$
Allele x Diet	$F_{1,301}=20.58^{***}$	$F_{1,300}=6.93^{**}$
Diet x Treatment	$F_{1,301}=25.46^{***}$	$F_{1,300}=21.31^{***}$
Allele x Treatment	$F_{1,301}=7.01^{**}$	$F_{1,300}=1.24$
Allele x Diet x Treatment	$F_{1,301}=0$	$F_{1,300}=7.03^{**}$
Set(Allele)	$F_{2,32}=13.11^{***}$	$F_{2,32}=4.24^{*}$
Cage(Set, Allele)	$F_{4,32}=9.46^{***}$	$F_{4,32}=1.44$

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 FIGURE CAPTIONS

 Figure 1. Clinal candidates in the insulin/TOR signaling pathway. Overview of the

 insulin/insulin-like growth factor signaling (IIS)/target of rapamycin (TOR) pathway in

 Drosophila melanogaster (Oldham and Hafen 2003; Giannakou and Partridge 2007;

 Teleman 2010). Genes that harbor strongly clinally varying SNPs across latitude,

 identified by Fabian et al. (2012), are highlighted in red; arrows indicate activation

 and bar-ended lines represent inhibitory effects. In response to nutrients, IIS is

 activated by binding of ligands, called *Drosophila* insulin-like peptides (dilps 1-8), to

 the insulin-like receptor (InR) at the cell membrane. Inside the cell, signaling is

 transduced by an insulin receptor substrate (IRS) protein called chico. This activates

 phosphoinositide-3-kinase (PI3K) which converts phosphatidylinositol (3,4)-

 bisphosphate (PIP2) into phosphatidylinositol (3,4,5)-trisphosphate (PIP3). In turn,

 PIP3 stimulates pyruvate dehydrogenase kinase (PDK) and activates protein kinase

 B (AKT/PKB). The action of PI3K is antagonized by phosphatase and tensin

 homologue (PTEN) which converts PIP3 back to PIP2. AKT/PKB suppresses the

 forkhead (FKH) box O transcription factor FOXO by phosphorylating it; upon reduced

 IIS, FOXO becomes dephosphorylated and moves into the nucleus where it

 regulates the expression of hundreds of target genes. Target genes of FOXO include

 InR, controlled via a transcriptional feedback loop, and *initiation factor 4E-binding*

 protein (*4E-BP*); another target gene of IIS is *target of brain insulin* (*Tobi*), which

 encodes a glucosidase, but the details of its regulation remain poorly understood.

 FOXO is antagonized by 14-3-3ε. AKT/PKB antagonizes the activity of the tuberous

 sclerosis complex 1/2 (TSC1/TSC2); TSC1/2 in turn inactivates RAS homologue

 enriched in brain (RHEB). The inactivation of RHEB disinhibits, i.e. activates, target

 of rapamycin (TOR). TOR then activates the effector gene *S6 kinase* (*S6K*) and

1390 inhibits the negative regulator 4E-BP. The phenotypic effects of naturally occurring

1391 alleles of the genes in the IIS/TOR pathway remain poorly understood, but clinal

1392 polymorphisms in *InR* (Paaby et al. 2010; Paaby et al. 2014) and *foxo* (this study)

1393 have pleiotropic effects on life history in *Drosophila*.

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Figure 2. Viability (egg-to-adult survival). Effects of the clinal *foxo* variant on the

proportion viability (egg-to-adult survival). (A) Dietary reaction norms at 18°C. (B)

Dietary reaction norms at 25°C. (C) Thermal reaction norms measured on sucrose

diet. (D) Thermal reaction norms measured on molasses diet. Data in (A, B) are the

same as those shown in (C, D). Shown are means and standard errors. Red lines:

low-latitude (LL) allele, blue lines: high-latitude (HL) allele.

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Figure 3. Femur length. Effects of the *foxo* polymorphism on femur length (mm) in

females and males. (A) Dietary reaction norms at 18°C. (B) Dietary reaction norms at

25°C. (C) Thermal reaction norms measured on sucrose diet. (D) Thermal reaction

norms measured on molasses diet. Data in (A, B) are the same as those shown in

(C, D). Shown are means and standard errors. Red lines: low-latitude (LL) allele, blue

lines: high-latitude (HL) allele.

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Figure 4. Wing:thorax ratio. Effects of the *foxo* variant on the ratio of wing

area:thorax length (mm) in females and males. (A) Dietary reaction norms at 18°C.

(B) Dietary reaction norms at 25°C. (C) Thermal reaction norms measured on

sucrose diet. (D) Thermal reaction norms measured on molasses diet. Data in (A, B)

are the same as those shown in (C, D). Shown are means and (propagated)

standard errors. Red lines: low-latitude (LL) allele, blue lines: high-latitude (HL) allele.

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Figure 5, Starvation resistance. Effects of the clinal *foxo* polymorphism on the

duration of survival (in hrs) upon starvation in females. (A) Dietary reaction norms at

18°C. (B) Dietary reaction norms at 25°C. (C) Thermal reaction norms measured on

sucrose diet. (D) Thermal reaction norms measured on molasses diet. Data in (A, B)

are the same as those shown in (C, D). Shown are means and standard errors. Red

lines: low-latitude (LL) allele, blue lines: high-latitude (HL) allele.

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Figure 6. Fat loss upon starvation. Effects of the clinal *foxo* variant on female

triglyceride loss upon starvation (*µg*/fly). (A) Dietary reaction norms at 18°C. (B)

Dietary reaction norms at 25°C. (C) Thermal reaction norms measured on sucrose

diet. (D) Thermal reaction norms measured on molasses diet. Data in (A, B) are the

same as those shown in (C, D). Shown are means and (propagated) standard errors.

Red lines: low-latitude (LL) allele, blue lines: high-latitude (HL) allele.

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1458 **Supporting Information**

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Figure S1. Clinal *foxo* candidate SNPs. (A) Allele frequencies of clinal *foxo* SNPs in

Florida (red), Pennsylvania (green) and Maine (blue), identified by Fabian et al.

(2012) and conditioned to raise in frequency from Florida to Maine. The two strongly

clinal *foxo* SNPs studied here are marked with star symbols. Note that the SNP in-

between the two focal SNPs is much less strongly clinal, with a much higher

frequency in Florida than the 2 candidate SNPs. The x-axis shows the genomic

position of the SNPs on chromosome *3R* in million base pairs (Mbp). The plot

underneath the x-axis shows the gene model for *foxo*. (B) Linkage disequilibrium (LD;

as measured by pairwise r^2) among all polymorphic *foxo* SNPs (minor allele

frequency ≥ 0.1) in the DGRP lines used to set up experimental populations (see

Materials and Methods section). The two focal SNPs are in perfect LD in the

experimental populations (r^2 =1), but there is no significant LD among other, non-

focal sites. Nonetheless, we cannot rule out with certainty that other SNPs are in LD

with our two focal SNPs; a cautious interpretation would thus be to view our focal

SNPs as representing "tag SNPs". Also see Fig. S3; also see analyses in Betancourt

et al. (2018).

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Figure S2. PEST motif prediction for FOXO. The T/G polymorphism in *foxo* at

position *3R*: 9894559, is predicted to be located in the PEST region of the FOXO

protein (analysis of *foxo* sequence using ExPASy [Artimo et al., 2012]); PEST motifs

serve as protein degradation signals (Artimo et al., 2012). The potential PEST motif

(RPENFVEPTDELDSTK) between amino acid positions 49 and 64 (shown in green)

encompasses the *foxo* SNP at position 51 (E = glutamic acid).

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Figure S3. Experimental design for reconstituted outbred *foxo* populations. We

isolated the 2-SNP *foxo* variant by reconstituting outbred populations, fixed for either

the low- or high-latitude allele, from lines of the *Drosophila* Genetic Reference Panel

(DGRP). Each *foxo* allele was represented by two independent sets of distinct DGRP

lines, with two replicate cages per set. See Materials and Methods section for details;

also see Fig. S1B; also see analyses in Betancourt et al. (2018).

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1491   **Figure S4.** Coordinates of landmarks used to estimate wing area. We calculated the

1492   total wing area encompassed by 12 landmarks (in yellow) by splitting the polygon up

1493   into triangles (shown in different colors) and by summing across the areas defined by

1494   these triangles. See Materials and Methods section for details.

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Figure S5. Effects of the *foxo* variant on total wing area. Effects of the clinal *foxo*

variant on wing area (mm^2) in females and males. (A) Dietary reaction norms at

18°C. (B) Dietary reaction norms at 25°C. (C) Thermal reaction norms on sucrose

diet. (D) Thermal reaction norms on molasses diet. Shown are means and standard

errors. Red lines: low-latitude (LL) allele, blue lines: high-latitude (HL) allele. See

Results section for details.

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Figure S6. Effects of the *foxo* variant on thorax length. Effects of the clinal *foxo*

variant on thorax length (mm) in females and males. (A) Dietary reaction norms at

18°C. (B) Dietary reaction norms at 25°C. (C) Thermal reaction norms on sucrose

diet. (D) Thermal reaction norms on molasses diet. Shown are means and standard

errors. Red lines: low-latitude (LL) allele, blue lines: high-latitude (HL) allele. See

Results section for details.

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Figure S7. Effects of the *foxo* variant on male survival upon starvation. Effects of the

clinal *foxo* polymorphism on the duration of survival (in hrs) upon starvation in males.

(A) Dietary reaction norms at 18°C. (B) Dietary reaction norms at 25°C. (C) Thermal

reaction norms on sucrose diet. (D) Thermal reaction norms on molasses diet.

Shown are means and standard errors. Red lines: low-latitude (LL) allele, blue lines:

high-latitude (HL) allele. See Results section for details.

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1517   **Figure S8.** Effects of the *foxo* variant on relative abundance of insulin-like receptor

1518   (InR) transcription levels. (A) Low-latitude (LL) allele has higher level of InR

1519   transcription than the high-latitude (HL) allele. (B) Carbohydrate-rich molasses diet

1520   resulted in more InR transcripts than the sucrose diet. Shown are means and

1521   standard errors. See Results section for details.

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Table S1. Details of design of reconstituted outbred population cages. HL: high-latitude *foxo* allele; LL: low-latitude *foxo* allele. See Materials and Methods section for details.

Allele	Position	Set	Cage number	DGRP lines
LL	3R:9892517 + 9894559 (GG)	A	1	26, 57, 73, 75, 91, 101, 105, 161, 176, 280, 313, 318, 367, 371, 375, 377, 378, 379
LL	3R:9892517 + 9894559 (GG)	A	2	26, 57, 73, 75, 91, 101, 105, 161, 176, 280, 313, 318, 367, 371, 375, 377, 378, 379
LL	3R:9892517 + 9894559 (GG)	B	3	208, 373, 406, 426, 440, 491, 492, 508, 513, 535, 639, 646, 757, 761, 796, 805, 812, 852
LL	3R:9892517 + 9894559 (GG)	B	4	208, 373, 406, 426, 440, 491, 492, 508, 513, 535, 639, 646, 757, 761, 796, 805, 812, 852
HL	3R:9892517 + 9894559 (AT)	C	5	40, 41, 42, 69, 83, 109, 142, 153, 158, 177, 195, 229, 233, 365, 370, 380, 391, 405
HL	3R:9892517 + 9894559 (AT)	C	6	40, 41, 42, 69, 83, 109, 142, 153, 158, 177, 195, 229, 233, 365, 370, 380, 391, 405
HL	3R:9892517 + 9894559 (AT)	D	7	45, 332, 338, 443, 517, 531, 595, 703, 705, 707, 774, 790, 804, 820, 837, 855, 879, 890
HL	3R:9892517 + 9894559 (AT)	D	8	45, 332, 338, 443, 517, 531, 595, 703, 705, 707, 774, 790, 804, 820, 837, 855, 879, 890

Table S2. Nutritional value and composition of sucrose and molasses diets. Table S2a: nutritional values of fly food ingredients per 100 g; Table S2b: recipe for sucrose and molasses diets; Table S2c: comparison of nutritional values of sucrose and molasses diets. See Materials and Methods section for details. The sucrose diet is the standard medium used in our laboratory in Lausanne; the recipe for the molasses diet follows that recipe of the Bloomington *Drosophila* Stock Center (BDSC) but uses different products for the food ingredients. The principal (but not exclusive) differences between the two diets are their carbohydrate source (sucrose vs. molasses) and their protein:carbohydrate (P:C) ratios.

S2a. Nutritional values of ingredients in 100g of fly food				
	Yeast	**Cornmeal**	**Sucrose**	**Molasses**
Energy (kcal)	310	345	400	290
Protein (g)	45	8	0	0
Total carbohydrates (g)	15	74	100	75

S2b. Food recipes for sucrose and molasses diets		
	Sucrose	**Molasses**
Cornmeal (g/L) (*Polenta, Migros*)	50	61.3
Yeast (g/L) (*Actilife, Migros*)	50	12.4
Sugar (g/L) (*Cristal, Migros*)	50	0
Molasses (g/L) (*Zuckerrohrmelasse, EM Schweiz*)	0	109.6
Agar (g/L) (*Drosophila Agar Type II, Genesee*)	7	6
Nipagin 10% (ml/L) (*Sigma Aldrich*)	10	14.3
Propionic acid (ml/L) (*Sigma Aldrich*)	6	6

S2c. Nutritional values of sucrose and molasses diets		
	Sucrose	**Molasses**
Energy (kcal)	527.50	567.77
Protein (g/L)	26.50	10.48
Total carbohydrate (g/L)	94.50	129.42
P:C ratio	~ 1:3.6 (≈0.28)	~1:12.3 (≈0.08)

Table S3. Summary of effect size estimates (Cohen's *d*) for viability, femur length, wing area, thorax length, starvation resistance, and fat (TAG) content. White and grey cells show results for females and males, respectively. *d* = 0.01, very small; *d* = 0.20, small; *d* = 0.50, medium; *d* = 0.80, large; *d* = 1.20, very large.

Factor	18°C Sucrose diet	18°C Molasses diet	25°C Sucrose diet	25°C Molasses diet
Viability	0.49	0.50	0.54	0.89
Femur Length	0.09	0.17	0.49	0.00
	0.25	0.05	0.14	0.20
Wing Area	0.59	0.67	0.66	0.35
	0.68	0.62	0.72	0.48
Thorax Length	0.13	0.08	0.20	0.81
	0.26	0.07	1.15	0.00
Starvation Resistance	0.11	0.34	0.24	0.51
	0.03	0.04	0.03	0.26
TAG content (Fed)	0.19	0.70	0.25	0.72
TAG content (Starved)	0.72	0.24	0.04	0.04

Table S4. Summary of ANOVA results for wing area, thorax length, and male starvation resistance (also cf. Table S5). White and grey cells show the results for females and males, respectively; data for starvation resistance are for males only. * $p < 0.05$; ** $p < 0.01$; *** $p < 0.001$. See Results section for details.

Factor in ANOVA	Total Wing Area	Thorax Length	Starvation Resistance
Allele	$F_{1,32}=105.39^{***}$	$F_{1,32}=4.33^{*}$	$F_{1,32}=0.70$
	$F_{1,32}=103.87^{***}$	$F_{1,32}=3.78$	
Temperature	$F_{1,912}=2852.52^{***}$	$F_{1,422}=216.46^{***}$	$F_{1,1553}=1711.77^{***}$
	$F_{1,918}=3962.67^{***}$	$F_{1,381}=145.46^{***}$	
Diet	$F_{1,912}=48.36^{***}$	$F_{1,422}=31.90^{***}$	$F_{1,1553}=176.44^{***}$
	$F_{1,918}=28.15^{***}$	$F_{1,381}=88.62^{***}$	
Allele x Temperature	$F_{1,912}=7.15^{**}$	$F_{1,422}=10.66^{**}$	$F_{1,1553}=0.58$
	$F_{1,918}=5.89^{*}$	$F_{1,381}=8.72^{**}$	
Temperature x Diet	$F_{1,912}=35.96^{***}$	$F_{1,422}=1.67$	$F_{1,1553}=7.51^{**}$
	$F_{1,918}=56.66^{***}$	$F_{1,381}=3.48$	
Allele x Diet	$F_{1,912}=0.73$	$F_{1,422}=2.44$	$F_{1,1553}=0.58^{***}$
	$F_{1,918}=1.08$	$F_{1,381}=2.46$	
Allele x Temperature x Diet	$F_{1,912}=1.79$	$F_{1,422}=1.89$	$F_{1,1553}=2.48$
	$F_{1,918}=0.22$	$F_{1,381}=11.19^{***}$	
Set (Allele)	$F_{2,32}=53.59^{***}$	$F_{2,32}=8.05^{***}$	$F_{2,32}=1.01$
	$F_{2,32}=30.53^{***}$	$F_{2,32}=7.56^{***}$	
Cage (Set, Allele)	$F_{4,32}=64.45^{***}$	$F_{4,32}=3.41^{**}$	$F_{4,32}=12.78^{***}$
	$F_{4,32}=29.58^{***}$	$F_{4,32}=0.73$	

Table S5. Summary of REML variance component estimates for starvation resistance. White and grey cells show results for females and males, respectively.

Random Effect	Variance Ratio	Variance Component	Std Error	95% Lower	95% Upper	Wald *p*-Value	Percentage of Total
Vial(Cage,Set,Allele)	0.00	-0.19	2.96	-6.00	5.62	0.95	0.00
	0.00	0.13	1.29	-2.39	2.65	0.92	0.07
Residual		474.90	17.08	443.13	510.23		100.00
		199.07	7.14	185.78	213.85		99.93
Total		474.90	17.08	443.13	510.23		100.00
		199.21	7.08	186.03	213.85		100.00

1 **Table S6.** Summary of ANOVA results for relative abundance of *insulin-like receptor*
2 (*InR*) transcript levels. * $p < 0.05$; ** $p < 0.01$; *** $p < 0.001$.
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Factor in ANOVA	Relative Abundance of *InR*
Allele	$F_{1,80}=4.54^{*}$
Temperature	$F_{1,80}=0.90$
Diet	$F_{1,80}=75.99^{***}$
Allele x Temperature	$F_{1,80}=0.05$
Temperature x Diet	$F_{1,80}=0.05$
Allele x Diet	$F_{1,80}=0.41$
Allele x Temperature x Diet	$F_{1,80}=0.08$
Set (Allele)	$F_{2,80}=6.53^{**}$
Cage (Set, Allele)	$F_{4,80}=5.73^{***}$