

1 **From drift to draft: How much do beneficial mutations actually contribute to**
2 **predictions of Ohta's slightly deleterious model of molecular evolution?**

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1 **Abstract**

2 Since its inception in 1973 the slightly deleterious model of molecular evolution,
3 aka the Nearly Neutral Theory of molecular evolution, remains a central model to
4 explain the main patterns of DNA polymorphism in natural populations. This is
5 not to say that the quantitative fit to data is perfect. In a recent study CASTELLANO
6 *et al.* (2018) used polymorphism data from *D. melanogaster* to test whether, as
7 predicted by the Nearly Neutral Theory, the proportion of effectively neutral
8 mutations depends on the effective population size (N_e). They showed that a
9 nearly neutral model simply scaling with N_e variation across the genome could
10 not explain alone the data but that consideration of linked positive selection
11 improves the fit between observations and predictions. In the present article we
12 extended their work in two main directions. First, we confirmed the observed
13 pattern on a set of 59 species, including high quality genomic data from 11
14 animal and plant species with different mating systems and effective population
15 sizes, hence levels of linked selection. Second, for the 11 species with high quality
16 genomic data we also estimated the full Distribution of Fitness Effects (DFE) of
17 mutations, and not solely the DFE of deleterious mutations. Both N_e and
18 beneficial mutations contributed to the relationship between the proportion of
19 effectively neutral mutations and local N_e across the genome. In conclusion, the
20 predictions of the slightly deleterious model of molecular evolution hold well for
21 species with small effective population size. But for species with large N_e the fit is
22 improved by incorporating linked positive selection to the model.

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24 **Keywords:** Nearly Neutral Theory, Distribution of Fitness Effects, beneficial
25 mutations, linked selection

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1 **Introduction**

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3 The year 2018 saw the celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Neutral Theory
4 of molecular evolution (called simply the Neutral Theory thereafter). At 50 years
5 of age, the Neutral Theory is still shrouded in controversies, some pronouncing it
6 dead and overwhelmingly rejected by facts (Kern and Hahn 2018) while others
7 see it as very much alive and kicking (NEI *et al.* 2010, JENSEN *et al.* 2019). As a
8 quick glance at major textbooks in population genetics and at the literature
9 would suggest, it seems fair to say that the Neutral Theory is certainly not totally
10 dead. Even if it undoubtedly did lose some of its initial appeal it continues to play
11 a central role in population genetics, a position well summarized by Kreitman
12 (1996) in his spirited essay “The neutral theory is dead. Long live the neutral
13 theory”. Shortcomings of the Neutral Theory were already noted in the 1970s
14 and the Neutral Theory has itself evolved. Indeed, its inadequacy to fully explain
15 the data, in particular Lewontin’s paradox (Lewontin 1974; Corbett-Detig *et al.*
16 2015), was already noted in 1973, leading Tomoko Ohta (1973) to propose the
17 Nearly Neutral Theory of molecular evolution. In contrast to the Neutral Theory
18 where most mutations are assumed to be neutral or strongly deleterious, the
19 Nearly Neutral Theory assigns much more prominence to the contribution to
20 standing polymorphism of mutations that are weakly selected and effectively
21 neutral (Ohta 1992; Ohta and Gillespie 1996). Weakly selected mutations can be
22 slightly deleterious or slightly beneficial, but as noted by Kreitman (1996) the
23 best developed of the weak selection models primarily consider slightly
24 deleterious mutations and was therefore christened by him “the slightly
25 deleterious model”. This is the model that we will be testing in most of the
26 present paper.

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28 Like the Neutral Theory, however, the Nearly Neutral Theory still assumes that
29 “only a minute fraction of DNA changes in evolution are adaptive in nature”
30 (Kimura 1983). Under this view, polymorphism is thought to be mostly
31 unaffected by positive selection, except around the few recently selected
32 beneficial alleles (selective sweep). This was already at variance with the view
33 put forward by Gillespie (e.g. Gillespie 2004) that assigned a greater role to

1 linked positive selection in shaping polymorphism (see also Corbett-Detig *et al.*
2 2015) and is in even stronger contrast with the claim by Kern and Hahn (2018)
3 that “natural selection has played the predominant role in shaping within- and
4 between-species genetic variation” and that “the ubiquity of adaptive variation
5 both within and between species” leads to the rejection of the universality of the
6 Neutral Theory. In a far more nuanced assessment of the Neutral Theory and its
7 contribution, Jensen *et al.* (2018) argued that the effects of linked selection could
8 readily be incorporated in the Nearly Neutral framework. The core of the dispute,
9 either today or in the early days of the Nearly Neutral Theory, is about the
10 degree to which each category of mutations contributed directly and indirectly to
11 genetic variation within- and between-species.

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13 A core prediction of the Nearly Neutral Theory is that the fraction of mutations
14 affected by selection depends on N_e (Ohta 1973). N_e can vary among species but
15 also within a genome because of linked selection (reviewed in Ellegren and
16 Galtier 2016). The effect of selection against weakly deleterious mutations on
17 linked neutral variants – Background selection (Charlesworth *et al.* 1993) – can
18 be well approximated by a simple re-scaling of N_e whereas hitchhiking of
19 beneficial or strongly deleterious mutations has more complex effects because
20 there is not a single re-scaling (Barton 1995; Cvijovic *et al.* 2018). In the case of
21 beneficial mutations, for instance, the interference depends both on the
22 beneficial effect of the sweeping mutation and on selection acting at linked sites
23 (Barton 1995; Weissman and Barton 2012).

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25 Evidence that linked positive selection and not only direct selection on slightly
26 deleterious and beneficial contributed to the relationship between the fraction of
27 mutations affected by selection and N_e has recently been obtained by Castellano
28 *et al.* (2018). Using two *Drosophila melanogaster* genome resequencing datasets,
29 Castellano *et al.* (2018) tested a prediction of the slightly deleterious model first
30 obtained by Kimura (1979) and then extended by Welch *et al.* (2008). Welch *et al.*
31 (2008) showed that if one considers only deleterious mutations, the logarithm of
32 the ratio of nucleotide diversity at non-synonymous and synonymous amino acid
33 changes is linearly related to the logarithm of the effective population size and

1 that the slope of this log-log regression line is equal to the shape parameter of
2 the Distribution of Fitness Effects (DFE), β , if the DFE of deleterious mutations is
3 modeled by a Gamma distribution:

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$$5 \ln(\pi_N/\pi_S) \approx -\beta \ln(N_e) + \text{constant} \quad [\text{Eq. 1a}]$$

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7 Or, rewriting this expectation by using π_S as a proxy for N_e :

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$$9 \ln(\pi_N/\pi_S) \approx -\beta \ln(\pi_S) + \text{constant}' \quad [\text{Eq. 1b}]$$

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11 The second equation holds only if variation in π_S only depends on variation in N_e ,
12 and does not depend on variation in mutation rates. It should also be pointed out
13 that the DFE considered here only includes deleterious mutations, as estimated
14 for instance by DFE-alpha (Eyre-Walker and Keightley 2009). A direct test of this
15 prediction using among-species comparison can be problematic if mutation rates
16 cannot be controlled for. To circumvent this problem, Castellano *et al.* (2018)
17 used within genome variation in N_e , under the reasonable assumption that
18 variation in mutation rates are negligible compared to variation in N_e across a
19 genome. They found that the slope was significantly more pronounced than
20 expected under a simple scaling of N_e and simulations indicated that linked
21 positive selection, but not background selection, could explain this discrepancy.

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23 In the present paper, we first confirmed the observed pattern on the set of 59
24 species used in Chen *et al.* (2017). We then used 11 high quality genomic
25 datasets for which an outgroup is available to test whether the results obtained
26 by Castellano *et al.* (2018) hold more generally and, in particular, in species with
27 much smaller effective sizes than *D. melanogaster*, and with different levels of
28 linkage disequilibrium. While we adopted the same general approach than
29 Castellano *et al.* (2018), our analysis differed from theirs in one important
30 respect. In their study, Castellano *et al.* (2018) only characterized the DFE of
31 deleterious mutations. We, instead, used a newly developed approach, *polyDFE*
32 (Tataru *et al.* 2017), that also considers positive mutations, which is expected to

1 improve the estimation of the shape of the DFE of deleterious mutations and to
2 disentangle the direct effects of both positive and negative selection.

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4 **Material & Methods**

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6 *Genomic data and regression of π_N/π_S over π_S*

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8 In a first step we analyzed the 59 species used in Chen *et al.* (2017). In later
9 analyses that required unfolded site frequency spectra, we retained 11 species
10 with high quality genomic datasets and with an available outgroup. These eleven
11 species are given in Table 1. They include both animal and plant species with
12 contrasted levels of nucleotide polymorphism and mating systems. We collected
13 Single Nucleotide Polymorphism (SNPs) in all CDS regions and calculated genetic
14 diversity of 4-fold and 0-fold sites as proxies for polymorphism at synonymous
15 (π_S) and non-synonymous sites (π_N). We applied the same SNP sampling strategy
16 as Castellano *et al.* (2018) in order to remove potential dependency between
17 estimates of π_N/π_S and π_S . In brief, we first split all synonymous SNPs into three
18 groups (S1, S2, and S3) using a hypergeometric sampling based on the total
19 number of synonymous sites. To bin genes and reduce the difference in number
20 of SNPs in each bin, we ranked genes according to their Watterson's estimate of
21 nucleotide diversity (θ_{S1}) and grouped these ranked genes into 20 bins each
22 representing approximately 1/20 of the total number of synonymous SNPs. We
23 then used π_{S2} to estimate the π_N/π_S ratio and π_{S3} as an independent estimate of
24 the genetic diversity of each bin.

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26 We calculated the slope of the linear regression (l) of the log-transformed value
27 of the π_N/π_S ratio on the log-transformed value of π_S , using the "lm" function in R
28 (R Core Team 2018). In pilot runs on 59 species (population data of Chen *et al.*
29 (2017)), the estimates of l showed extensive variation depending on, among
30 other things, the qualities of genome sequencing, read depth, annotation and SNP
31 calling. Thus, we selected 11 species for which a high-quality genome sequence
32 and an outgroup were available. Individuals were selected from the same genetic
33 background, i.e. admixture or population structure were carefully removed. A

1 series of quality controls for l calculation were performed as described in the
2 following. The longest transcript for each gene model was kept only if it
3 contained both start and stop codons (putative full length) and no premature
4 stop codons. SNPs within 5 base pairs were masked to avoid false positive calls.
5 A grid of filtering criteria was also implemented on each species based on
6 sequence similarity against Swiss-Prot database (e-value, bit-score, query
7 coverage) and sequencing quality (sites with low read depth or ambiguous
8 variants). We selected the filtering criteria in order to maximize the adjusted R^2
9 in the log-log regression of π_N/π_S on π_S . By doing so we aimed to reduce the error
10 introduced by annotation and quality difference between model and non-model
11 organisms. Also, to evaluate the variance introduced by random sampling and
12 grouping of SNPs, we performed 1,000-iteration bootstraps to get the bootstrap
13 bias-corrected mean and 95% confidence intervals for l calculations.

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15 *Estimates of the distributions of fitness effects*

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17 The distribution of fitness effects (DFE) for all mutations across the genome was
18 first calculated by considering only deleterious mutations. We first re-used the
19 DFE parameters estimated in 59 animal and plant species in (Chen *et al.* 2017)
20 that assumes that only neutral and slightly deleterious mutations contribute to
21 genetic diversity. In brief, the probability of neutral/deleterious mutations under
22 different selective strength was modeled using a gamma distribution with mean
23 S_d and shape parameter β . Folded site frequency spectra (SFS) were compared
24 between synonymous and nonsynonymous sites and demography (or any
25 departure from equilibrium) was taken into account for by introducing nuisance
26 parameters (Eyre-Walker *et al.* 2006). The possible issues and merits of this
27 approach compared to those based on an explicit (albeit very simplified)
28 demographic model have been discussed previously and the method introduced
29 by Eyre-Walker *et al.* (2006) has proved to be relatively efficient (Eyre-Walker
30 and Keightley 2007; Tataru *et al.* 2017). The calculations were carried out using
31 an in-house Mathematica script provided in supplementary S2 file of Chen *et al.*
32 (2017).

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1 However, for species with large effective population sizes, like *D. melanogaster*,
2 ignoring the effects of beneficial mutations could distort the DFE to a great
3 extent and lead to a wrong estimate of β . Therefore, we further estimated the
4 DFE under a full model that takes both deleterious and beneficial mutations into
5 account (Tataru *et al.* 2017). The model mixes the gamma distribution of
6 deleterious mutations (shape= β , mean= S_d) with an exponential distribution of
7 beneficial mutations (mean= S_b), in proportions of $(1-p_b)$ and p_b , respectively. The
8 unfolded SFS was calculated for the 11 retained species, for which a closely
9 related outgroup with similar sequencing quality was available to polarize the
10 SFS. The “gamma” DFE (that only considers deleterious mutations) and the full
11 DFE were estimated for each species. In both cases a nuisance parameter was
12 also fitted to account for possible mis-assignment errors in SNP ancestral allele
13 estimation (a step required to obtain the unfolded SFS). Parameters (β , S_b , S_d ,
14 and p_b) were estimated using a model averaging procedure where each
15 parameter of interest is estimated as a weighted mean of estimates obtained
16 under the Gamma DFE and full DFE models. The weights given to each estimate
17 reflect the differences in the Akaike Information Criterion (AIC) scores of the
18 Gamma DFE and full DFE models (Posada and Buckley 2004). Calculations were
19 performed using the software *polyDFE* (Tataru *et al.* 2017).

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21 *Expectations under different selection models*

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23 Independently to possible indirect effects of selective sweeps, [Eq. 1] only
24 considers deleterious mutations, in line with the initial view of the Nearly
25 Neutral Theory where beneficial mutations negligibly contribute to
26 polymorphism (Ohta 1973). Giving more weight to beneficial mutations slightly
27 modified the relationship between the slope of the linear regression, l , and the
28 shape parameter, β . For beneficial mutations only, the equivalent of [Eq. 1] is
29 simply (see Appendix):

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$$31 \ln(\pi_N/\pi_S) \approx +\beta_b \ln(N_e) + \text{constant} \quad [\text{Eq. 2}]$$

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1 where β_b is the shape of the distribution of beneficial mutations (still assuming a
2 gamma distribution). Thus, the π_N/π_S ratio increases with N_e , so that considering
3 beneficial mutations the global π_N/π_S decreases more slowly than when only
4 deleterious mutations are taken into account. Thus, with beneficial mutations the
5 slope will always be lower than without. For the majority of species beneficial
6 mutations are rare ($p_b \ll 1$) and thus $-l$ is approximately equal to β . For those
7 with a relatively high proportion of beneficial mutations, direct positive selection
8 should result in a flattened slope, i.e. a smaller value of $-l$ than β . As we mostly
9 observed the reverse pattern, $-l > \beta$, the observed discrepancy cannot be
10 explained by the direct effect of beneficial mutations.

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12 *Trends across the genome and tests for selection*

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14 For each of the 20 bins defined above and ranked according to their mean
15 synonymous nucleotide diversity we calculated β , p_b and S_b values and a
16 summary statistic of the site frequency spectrum, Tajima's D (Tajima 1989).
17 Tajima's D tests for an excess of rare over intermediate variants compared to the
18 frequencies expected under the standard coalescent. Demography does affect
19 Tajima's D and can explain the difference among species. However, a negative
20 Tajima's D is also expected under recurrent selective sweeps (Jensen *et al.* 2005;
21 Pavlidis and Alachiotis 2017) and should be more negative in genomic regions
22 more strongly affected by linked positive selection. Background selection can
23 also affect Tajima's D in the same direction but much more weakly
24 (Charlesworth *et al.* 1995). Independently of the species mean value, we thus
25 expect a strong positive relationship between recombination and Tajima's D in
26 species where linked positive selection is prominent.

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28 *Forward simulations under selective sweep scenario*

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30 The code developed by Castellano *et al.* (2018) which is based on forward
31 simulations using software SLiM, version 3.2.1 (Haller and Messer 2019) was
32 modified to assess the effect of parameters p_b , S_b , and N_e on $-l$ and Tajima's D.
33 More specifically, a 20-kb non-recombining genomic region was simulated with a

1 mutation rate of 1×10^{-6} to study the behavior of $-l$ and Tajima's D under selective
2 sweep scenarios with varying parameters of p_b , S_b , and N_e . First, we simulated
3 equal amounts of neutral and deleterious mutations whose fitness effects were
4 drawn from a gamma distribution with a shape parameter 0.4 and a mean s_d of -
5 10. Different percentages of beneficial mutations ($p_b = 1\%$, 0.8% , 0.5% , 0.4% ,
6 0.3% , 0.2% , 0.01% , and 0.005% , 0) were drawn randomly from a distribution
7 with a fixed s_b of 1 to simulate loci experiencing selective sweeps at different
8 frequency and we then calculated $-l$ (Fig. 5 of Castellano et al (2018)) and
9 Tajima's D. We also investigated the behavior of $-l$ and Tajima's D by varying s_b
10 (1, 0.5, 0.1). Simulation samples were taken after an initial burn in period of
11 1000 generations and values were averaged across 20 runs.

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13 **Results**

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15 *$-l$ and β are generally similar but the variance is large*

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17 One of the most important predictions of the Nearly Neutral Theory is that the
18 proportion of effectively neutral mutations is a function of the effective
19 population size (Kimura and Ohta 1971; Ohta 1972; Ohta 1973; Ohta 1992). In
20 species with large effective population size, selection is efficient and the
21 proportion of effectively neutral mutations is small. Here we used the ratio of
22 genetic diversity at 0-fold over 4-fold degenerate sites (π_N/π_S) in protein coding
23 regions as a measure of the proportion of effectively neutral mutations and
24 examined the linearity between $\log(\pi_N/\pi_S)$ and $\log(N_e)$ across the genomes of 59
25 species used in Chen *et al.* (2017). Although less than half of the species showed
26 a significant regression coefficient (p -value <0.05), the coefficients were negative
27 for 51 of them ($l < 0$). The value of l varied from -0.424 (*D. melanogaster*) to 0.22
28 (*Callithrix jacchus*) and the linear relationship between $\log(\pi_N/\pi_S)$ and $\log(N_e)$
29 was statistically significant in 28 species (Table S1). Since balancing selection can
30 lead to both high π_S and π_N/π_S , it can generate an increase in π_N/π_S for high- π_S
31 bins. We thus removed the five bins with the highest diversity and recalculated l
32 values for all species. This reduced the l values of 36 species and led to negative l
33 values in 55 species.

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2 We further examined the DFE for mutations across the genome in the same
3 datasets. A gamma distribution with two parameters, mean (S_d) and shape (β),
4 was used to describe the distribution of deleterious mutations under purifying
5 selection. Importantly, the contribution of beneficial mutations, even those under
6 weak selection that are potentially behaving neutrally, is ignored in this case.
7 Estimates of the shape parameter, β , varied from 0.01 (*C. jacchus*) to 0.347 (*D.*
8 *melanogaster*) but were only weakly correlated with effective population size
9 (Table S1).

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11 Considering only deleterious mutations and assuming a simple scaling of N_e
12 variation across the genome, the slightly deleterious model predicts that the
13 value of the slope of the linear regression between $\log(\pi_N/\pi_S)$ and $\log(N_e)$, $-l$, is
14 equal to β (Welch *et al.* 2008). The discrepancy between the two might indicate a
15 departure from this model, and Castellano *et al.* (2018) suggested that in *D.*
16 *melanogaster*, where the observed slope was much larger than β , the departure
17 was caused by linked positive selection across the genome. We observed a
18 general consistency between β and $-l$ as estimators of effective neutrality (linear
19 coef. = 1.04, intercept=0.007, p-value<2e-16, adjusted R²=0.35, Fig. 1A). The
20 difference ($\Delta=-l-\beta$) was small in 40 species dataset and varied from -0.1 to 0.1
21 (Fig. 1B). In 36 species (61%) $-l$ values were larger than β and in 23 species (39%)
22 β was larger than $-l$. However, the variance of Δ was not explained by π_S or N_e as
23 the adjusted R² was only 0.06. Removing the five bins with the highest diversity,
24 the correlation between β and $-l$ was still significant (coef. 0.89, p-value=2.14e-6).
25 The median value of Δ increased from 0.0085 to 0.045 but there was still no
26 correlation between Δ and N_e .

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28 *The effects of quality control and full DFE model*

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30 The variance in Δ may come from two sources. First, it can be due to the
31 estimation quality of $-l$ and β . Tests have shown that quality control on
32 sequencing and SNP-calling can have a dramatic influence on $-l$ calculations and
33 ignoring beneficial mutations in DFE model could also distort the estimates of β

1 (Tataru *et al.* 2017). Second, the variance in Δ can be caused by departures from
2 the assumptions underlying the simple version of the Nearly Neutral Theory, for
3 instance a larger role of direct or linked positive selection than assumed by the
4 theory.

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6 To assess the relative importance of these two sources we selected 11 species
7 with genomic data of high quality and performed a series of stringent quality
8 controls (see details in M&M) before re-estimating $-l$. This improved the
9 goodness of fit for the log linear regression between π_N/π_S and π_S across the
10 genome and $-l$ estimates were significantly different from zero for all 11 species
11 (Table 1, see also details in Table S2). For estimating β , we used closely related
12 species to polarize the SFS and applied both the gamma DFE model and the full
13 DFE model implemented in *polyDFE*, which considers both deleterious and
14 beneficial mutations. Instead of choosing the best DFE model, an average value
15 weighted by the different models' AIC scores was calculated for each parameter
16 (Tataru and Bataillon 2019).

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18 The linear regression model in this case explained a much higher proportion of
19 the variance between $-l$ and β (adjusted $R^2=0.477$) than when we considered the
20 59 species and used only a gamma DFE. In addition, considering beneficial
21 mutations slightly increases β estimates, making them closer to $-l$. However, the
22 linear coefficient between $-l$ and β (1.26) is significantly higher than one and the
23 variation of Δ remained large ($-0.026 \sim 0.289$) suggesting that some additional
24 factors may lie behind the remaining variation.

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26 *The roles of effective population size and positive selection*

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28 We then tested if the variation in Δ , where $\Delta=-l-\beta$, could simply reflect
29 differences in effective population size (N_e) among species. Estimates of N_e were
30 obtained by rescaling π_S using estimates of the mutation rate (μ) from the
31 literature. When Δ is regressed against $\log(N_e)$, $\log(N_e)$ explained up to 49% of
32 the variance in Δ (p -value=0.014). Considering the uncertainty in μ , we also

1 regressed Δ on $\log(\pi_s)$, and obtained similar results ($R^2=0.41$, p -value=0.019,
2 Fig.2).

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4 Furthermore, we tested whether species with potentially more selective sweeps
5 show higher Δ , as predicted by Castellano *et al.* (2018). An explicit model of
6 selective sweeps is difficult to fit given the uncertainty about beneficial
7 mutations parameters and would require additional information, especially on
8 the recombination map of the different species. Alternatively, we qualitatively
9 reason that, in addition to be more frequent when the effective population is
10 large, the number of selective sweeps should increase with both the proportion
11 (p_b) and the mean strength of beneficial mutations (S_b). $\log(S_b)$ had a significant
12 and positive effect on Δ (p -value=0.0018, Fig. 2) and explained 64.3% of the
13 variance in Δ but the effect of p_b was not significant (p -value=0.29). When
14 considered together, the effects of both $\log(S_b)$ and $\log(\pi_s)$ (or N_e) in the joint
15 model explained up to 78% of the variance in Δ (p -value=0.0068 and 0.059,
16 respectively, Table 2). However, no significant effect of p_b could be detected
17 either in the single regression model (p -value=0.29) or joint model with other
18 variables (p -value=0.15).

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20 *Trends across the genome and tests for selection*

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22 Variation of DFE parameters across bins could also explain the difference
23 between β and $-l$ as the underlying assumptions is that β is constant across bins.
24 We thus calculated β for all 20 bins for the 11 species. Seven species had β values
25 increasing weakly with genetic diversity (p -value<0.05, mean coef.=0.056) while
26 *C. grandiflora* and *H. timareta* had a much faster increase (coef.=0.2 and 0.15,
27 respectively, Table 3). In five species, the maximum β value was still lower than
28 the slope, similar to what was obtained by Castellano *et al.* (2018) in *Drosophila*.
29 However, the maximum β value was larger than the slope in the six remaining
30 species and in five cases the maximum β value was larger than 1 (Table 1). We
31 also compared p_b and S_b values across bins. In *A. thaliana* p_b increased slowly
32 with diversity whereas in *C. grandiflora*, *S. huaylasense*, and *D. melanogaster* p_b
33 decreased significantly (p -value<0.05). In all 11 species, S_b did not show any

1 significant trend across bins. To more formally test for the significance of these
2 variations, we also divided the genomes into five bins (to get enough power per
3 bin) and tested the invariance of the DFE across bins using likelihood ratio tests
4 as implemented in *polyDFE*. For all species, a model with independent DFE
5 parameters for each bin is significantly better than a model with shared
6 parameters across bins (see Table S3).

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8 For all 11 selected species we also calculated Tajima's D (Tajima 1989),
9 thereafter simply called D, in each bin to test for departure from neutrality
10 across the genome. Mean values of D were slightly negative across bins for most
11 species except *S. habrochaites*. For nine of the eleven species, D values increased
12 significantly with genetic diversity (Table 3). Interestingly, we found a negative
13 and strong correlation of Tajima's D with $\log(S_b)$ for all 11 species (p-
14 value=0.0086, Pearson's correlation coef. =-0.74) but not with any other DFE
15 parameters. This is in agreement with the expectation that selective sweeps
16 decrease D. We further tested the trends of positive and negative selections by
17 calculating the proportions of deleterious or beneficial mutations over all bins
18 with selective strength <-10 and >10 , respectively. However, no significant
19 trends were identified for either kind of direct selections.

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21 We also tested whether alternative measures of the possible occurrence of
22 selective sweeps can also explain the variation in Δ . First we used both the mean
23 Tajima's D and the among-genome correlation between D and π_S (ρ_D) as
24 predictors. More negative D and stronger positive correlation between D and π_S
25 can be viewed as signature of stronger hitchhiking effects. So we predict a
26 negative effect of D and a positive effect of ρ_D . In combination with π_S (or N_e),
27 both D and ρ_D significantly explain variation in Δ (adjusted $R^2=0.76$, Table 2).

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29 *Simulations*

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31 Castellano (2018) used forward simulation to assess how $-l$ increased under a
32 selective sweep model with varying frequency of adaptive mutations (their Fig.
33 5). We extended their investigation to assess the effect of selective strength (S_b)

1 on $-l$ with a fixed β (0.4) and how selective strength (s_b) also affected estimates of
2 Tajima's D. Fig. 3 shows that when s_b increased from 0.1 to 1, $-l$ increased from
3 0.48 to 0.82 ($\Delta=0.08$ to 0.42). As expected mean Tajima's D decreased as s_b
4 increased but the correlation between D and π_S was only slightly affected (ρ_D , see
5 also Table 4). We also increased N from 100 to 500, and to 1000, and fixed the
6 mean selective strength at either $S_b = 10$ or $S_d = -1000$. With these parameters
7 the strength of selection is not affected by N but the number of sweeps increased
8 with N due to the higher input of (beneficial) mutations. In this case Δ increased
9 from 0.079 to 0.75 as N increased and Tajima's D again decreased (Table 4).

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11 **Discussion**

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13 The aim of the present study was to test quantitatively one of the predictions of
14 the Nearly Neutral Theory of molecular evolution or more precisely the slightly
15 deleterious model, namely that the strength of selection varies with local
16 variations in N_e across the genome depending on the shape of the DFE. We
17 showed that neglecting linked positive selection could lead to a significant
18 quantitative discrepancy between predictions and observations, especially when
19 the effective population size is large. On the other hand, the slightly deleterious
20 model appears as a good approximation when the effective population size is
21 small. Below we first consider possible caveats and discuss the implications of
22 the results for the relative importance of purifying and adaptive selection in
23 shaping the genetic diversity of species.

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25 *Caveats: the variation of l and β*

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27 In general, estimates of the DFE shape parameter, β , were rather stable
28 compared to estimates of the slope of the regression of $\log(\pi_N/\pi_S)$ over $\log(\pi_S)$, l ,
29 with the variance of the former being half that of the latter independently of
30 quality control and whether the SFS was folded or unfolded. High variation in l
31 estimates may explain the fact that a significant correlation between π_N/π_S and
32 π_S could not be observed for all species, particularly those with low genetic
33 diversity (e.g. great apes). Therefore, a stringent quality control for read

1 alignment and SNP calling is necessary even for *D. melanogaster*, where an
2 improvement of the fit in l calculation (linear regression adjusted $R^2=0.79$ to 0.95)
3 leads to a dramatic change in the estimate of Δ (from 0.077 to 0.29). Even if a
4 stringent quality control had been implemented, the goodness of fit for the log
5 linear regression leading to the estimation of l would differ significantly from
6 species to species. The fit across the *D. melanogaster* and *A. thaliana* genomes
7 was almost perfect ($R^2>0.95$) while, at the other extreme, the fit was rather poor
8 in *S. habrochaites* ($R^2=0.38$). However, even among species for which the fit is
9 almost perfect ($R^2>0.95$) l could vary rather dramatically: *D. melanogaster* had a
10 much larger l (0.7) than *A. thaliana* (0.48), *C. rubella* (0.43), and *Z. mays* (teosinte,
11 0.29), whereas β only changed marginally for these species.

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13 On the other hand, we noticed that not all species showed a significant linear
14 relationship between π_N/π_S and N_e or even had positive slopes, especially for
15 those of low diversity (e.g. great apes, Fig 2). Therefore, besides purifying
16 selection l is also likely to be affected by additional factors.

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18 A possible source of variance in β could be that the single-sided gamma
19 distribution does not describe well the real DFE curves, at least not for all species,
20 particularly when the DFE is not unimodal (Tataru *et al.* 2017). For species like *D.*
21 *melanogaster*, for instance, there is mounting evidence of adaptive evolution
22 (reviewed in Eyre-Walker 2006). Therefore, it is necessary to consider the
23 possible contribution of beneficial mutations. The full DFE model provided a
24 much better fit than the gamma DFE that considers only deleterious mutations in
25 *D. melanogaster* (log likelihood= -187.3 versus -245.7 , respectively). This was
26 also true of some of the outcrossing plants like *Capsella grandiflora*, and *Solanum*
27 *huaylasense*. In all three species β estimates increased when estimated with the
28 Full DFE instead of the Gamma DFE, sometimes significantly (from 0.33 to 0.41 in
29 *D. melanogaster* (Rwanda) and 0.15 to 0.31 in *S. huaylasense*) and at other times
30 only marginally (0.27 to 0.30 in *C. grandiflora*). Taking beneficial mutations into
31 account when fitting the shape of the DFE can partly reduce the discrepancy
32 between β estimates and the slope of the regression. However, it is not sufficient
33 as Δ was positive in 10 over the 11 focal species we studied.

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2 *Considering positive selection improves the prediction*

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4 Based on the prediction of the Nearly Neutral Theory with direct positive
5 selection (Equation 2), the proportion of beneficial mutations is the only factor
6 that could alter the relationship between l and β and should always result in a
7 larger β compared to $-l$. However, this is usually not the case as, on the contrary,
8 values of $-l$ larger than β have generally been reported (Chen *et al.* 2017; James *et*
9 *al.* 2017; Castellano *et al.* 2018). In this paper we systematically investigated this
10 relationship across the genomes of multiple species. Two thirds of the 59 species
11 and 10 out of the subset of eleven species that were selected for the high quality
12 of their genome, had larger $-l$ than β values. Hence direct positive selection is not
13 the main cause of the discrepancy.

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15 Investigation of DFE parameters changes across bins may help to identify
16 changes in natural selection. Increasing β values over bins could be a signal for
17 stronger positive selection in low diversity regions. Although the maximum β
18 value of some species can be larger than $-l$, β grows slowly for most species and
19 shows hardly any pattern between species. Neither did p_b or S_b . This lack of
20 significant trend in these parameters could simply be due to an increase in
21 variance of their estimates as only one twentieth of the total number of
22 polymorphic sites were used for DFE calculations in each bin. It could also again
23 suggest that direct selection is not the main cause of the discrepancy.

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25 One of the main findings of the present study is that a large proportion of
26 variance in the discrepancy can be explained by the estimated strength of
27 positive selection, which can be regarded as an indication for linked selection,
28 such as selective sweeps or more generally hitchhiking effects. To test for that,
29 we compared changes in Tajima's D and its among-genome correlation
30 coefficients over bins. As expected we observed a negative effect of D and a
31 positive effect of ρ_D on Δ , both suggesting the presence of linked selection, with
32 lower diversity at nearby sites and thus increased discrepancy between $-l$ and β .
33 This is also in agreement with our simulations and those of Castellano *et al.*

1 (2018) that illustrate that hitchhiking effects can lower the genetic diversity at
2 nearby neutral or nearly neutral positions. These results can be understood
3 because selective sweep effects cannot simply be captured by a rescaling of N_e .
4 Selective sweeps not only reduce genetic diversity at linked sites but also distort
5 the coalescent genealogy (Fay and Wu 2000; Walsh and Lynch 2018; Campos
6 and Charlesworth 2019), so that we cannot define a single N_e in this context
7 (Weissman and Barton 2012). In particular, the scaling is not expected to be the
8 same for neutral or weakly selected polymorphisms. However, as far as we know,
9 there is no quantitative model predicting the value of the slope as a function of
10 DFE, rates of sweep and recombination rates, and such models still need to be
11 developed.

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13 **Conclusions**

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15 There are three major conclusions to the present study. First, the Nearly Neutral
16 Theory in its initial form may not explain all aspects of polymorphisms but,
17 almost 50 years after it was first proposed by Tomoko Ohta (Ohta 1973), it still
18 constitutes an excellent starting point for further theoretical developments
19 (Galtier 2016; Walsh and Lynch 2018). Second, considering linked beneficial
20 selection indeed helps to explain more fully polymorphism data, and this is
21 especially true for species with high genetic diversity. This can explain both
22 patterns of synonymous polymorphism (Corbett-Dettig et al. 2015) and how
23 selection reduces non-synonymous polymorphism (Castellano et al. 2018, this
24 study). One could have a progressive increase of the effect of selective sweeps as
25 suggested by Walsh and Lynch (2018, chapter 8) with a shift from genetic drift to
26 genetic draft (Gillespie 1999; 2000; 2001). If so, we could have three domains.
27 For small population sizes, drift would dominate and the nearly neutral theory in
28 its initial form would apply. For intermediate population sizes beneficial
29 mutations would start to play a more important part, and finally for large
30 population sizes, the effect of selective sweeps would dominate and draft would
31 the main explanation of the observed pattern of diversity. Third, our study once
32 more emphasizes the central importance of the DFE in evolutionary genomics
33 and we will likely see further developments in this area.

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1 **Table 1** Species and datasets used in the present study

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Species	Ref.	Outgroup	Ref.	Mating type	AIC	l	β_{full}	β_{gamma} <small>a</small>	β_{max}
<i>A. thaliana</i>	ALONSO-BLANCO <i>et al.</i> (2016)	<i>A. lyrata</i>	(NOVIKOVA <i>et al.</i> 2016)	selfing	231.3, 227.3	0.48	0.32	0.32	0.45
<i>A. lyrata</i>	(NOVIKOVA <i>et al.</i> 2016)	<i>A. thaliana</i>	ALONSO-BLANCO <i>et al.</i> (2016)	outcrossing	247.4, 243.4	0.50	0.35	0.34	0.36
<i>C. rubella</i>	(KOENIG <i>et al.</i> 2018)	<i>C. grandiflora</i>	(AGREN <i>et al.</i> 2014)	selfing	201.4, 200.3	0.43	0.39	0.26	2.86
<i>C. grandiflora</i>	(AGREN <i>et al.</i> 2014)	<i>C. rubella</i>	(KOENIG <i>et al.</i> 2018)	outcrossing	321.9 , 327.8	0.52	0.30	0.27	0.36
<i>S. habrochaites</i>	AFLITOS <i>et al.</i> (2014)	<i>S. lycopersicon</i>	AFLITOS <i>et al.</i> (2014)	selfing	141.5 , 148.1	0.21	0.23	0.13	3.61
<i>S. huaylasense</i>	AFLITOS <i>et al.</i> (2014)	<i>S. lycopersicon</i>	AFLITOS <i>et al.</i> (2014)	outcrossing	87.1 , 121.5	0.54	0.31	0.15	3.89
<i>S. propinquum</i>	MACE <i>et al.</i> (2013)	<i>S. bicolor</i>	MACE <i>et al.</i> (2013)	selfing	163.8, 159.8	0.37	0.26	0.26	0.34
<i>Z. mays</i> (teosinte)	CHIA <i>et al.</i> (2012)	<i>T. dactyloides</i>	CHIA <i>et al.</i> (2012)	outcrossing	208.1, 204.1	0.29	0.19	0.18	0.45
<i>P. trichocarpa</i>	EVANS <i>et al.</i> (2014)	<i>P. nigra</i>	(FAIVRE-RAMPANT <i>et al.</i> 2016)	outcrossing	318.9, 319.6	0.42	0.22	0.16	2.21
<i>D. melanogaster</i>	HUANG <i>et al.</i> (2014)	<i>D. simulans</i>	STANLEY AND KULATHINAL (2016)	outcrossing	422.7 , 535.5	0.70	0.41	0.33	0.51
<i>H. timareta</i>	MARTIN <i>et al.</i> (2013)	<i>H. melpomene</i>	MARTIN <i>et al.</i> (2013)	outcrossing	208.2, 204.2	0.44	0.21	0.21	2.78

3 Note: AIC values were estimated by *polyDFE* for models with and without the effects of beneficial mutations, respectively (bold numbers showed significance <

4 0.05). So it is with β_{full} and β_{gamma} as well. β_{max} were the maximum value of those estimated by *noIvDFE* for each ranked gene bin.

1 **Table 2** Summary table of multiple regression analyses of the effects of π_S , S_b ,
 2 Tajima's D, and ρ_D on Δ , the difference between $-l$ and β .

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$\Delta \sim \pi_S + \log_{10}(S_b)$	<i>Coef.</i>	<i>SE</i>	<i>t value</i>	<i>p-value</i>
Intercept	0.14	0.031	4.69	0.0016**
π_S	7.93	2.96	2.68	0.028*
$\log_{10}(S_b)$	0.015	3.6e-3	4.24	0.0029**
p-value: 0.0008144	Adjusted R ² : 0.7888			
$\Delta \sim \pi_S + D + \rho_D$				
Intercept	-0.031	0.035	-0.87	0.41
Tajima's D	-0.10	0.042	-2.39	0.048*
ρ_D	0.0015	6.05e-4	2.56	0.038*
π_S	15.80	3.39	4.65	0.0040**
p-value: 0.002978	Adjusted R ² : 0.708			

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 5 ***: $p < 0.001$, **: $0.001 < p < 0.01$, *: $0.01 < p < 0.05$, ∙: $0.05 < p < 0.1$

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1 **Table 3** Changes of summary statistics and DFE parameters across 20 rank gene
 2 groups.

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	Tajima's D		$\rho\beta^a$	ρp_b^a
	median	ρD^a		
<i>A. thaliana</i>	-0.38	20.10 ^{***}	0.033 ^{***}	9.65e-4 ^{**}
<i>A. lyrata</i>	-0.60	30.13 ^{***}	0.057 [*]	7.75e-5
<i>C. rubella</i>	-0.28	15.75 [*]	0.039 [*]	8.26e-4
<i>C. grandiflora</i>	-1.06	23.02 ^{**}	0.20 ^{***}	-3.53e-3 [*]
<i>S. habrochaites</i>	0.22	-5.36	0.11	-7.48e-3
<i>S. huaylasense</i>	-0.17	-8.59 ^{**}	-0.32	-5.54e-2 ^{***}
<i>S. propinquum</i>	-0.10	60.04 ^{***}	0.075 ^{***}	1.82e-3
<i>Z. mays</i>	-0.52	-0.39	0.055 ^{***}	2.39e-3
<i>P. trichocarpa</i>	-0.43	79.20 ^{***}	0.079	-2.80e-3
<i>D. melanogaster</i>	-0.73	7.41 ^{**}	0.078 ^{***}	-3.81e-3 ^{***}
<i>H. timareta</i>	-0.10	6.58 ^{**}	0.15 ^{***}	9.87e-4

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5 a: ρ is the slope of the regression of D (β , and p_b , respectively) over genetic
 6 diversity across ranked groups of genes.

7 ***: $p < 0.001$, **: $0.001 < p < 0.01$, *: $0.01 < p < 0.05$, ^{*}: $0.05 < p < 0.1$

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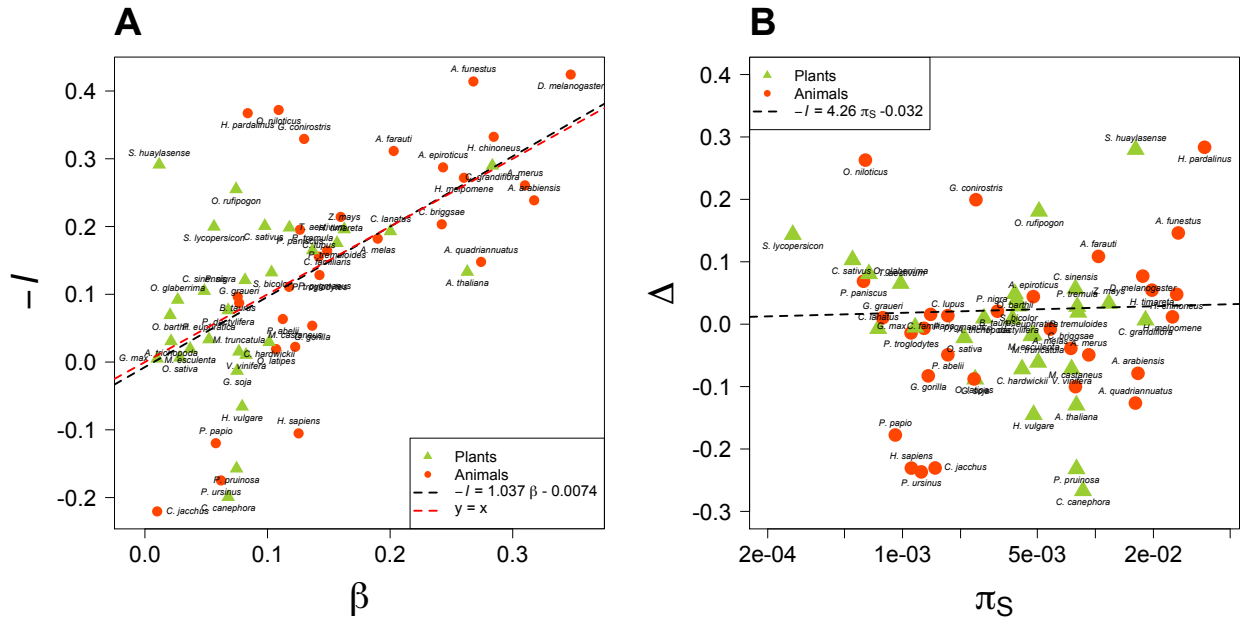
1 **Table 4** Results of forward simulations showing the effect of linked positive selection
2 on $-l$, Δ and summary statistics of the site frequency spectrum for different
3 values of the mean selective value of beneficial mutations, S_b and the population size,
4 N . ρ_D is the correlation between π_S and Tajima's D.

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N	S_b	S_d	β	$-l$	Δ	π_S	π_N/π_S	ρ_D	Tajima D
100	20	1000	0.4	-0.485	0.085	0.00136	0.107	9.43E-04	-0.00029
100	50	1000	0.4	-0.664	0.264	0.00122	0.130	1.02E-03	-0.00033
100	100	1000	0.4	-0.822	0.422	0.00101	0.161	8.39E-04	-0.00042
100	10	1000	0.4	-0.479	0.079	0.00153	0.100	1.12E-03	-0.00024
500	10	1000	0.4	-0.491	0.091	0.00580	0.096	1.28E-03	-0.00047
1000	10	1000	0.4	-0.749	0.349	0.00948	0.100	1.20E-03	-0.00058

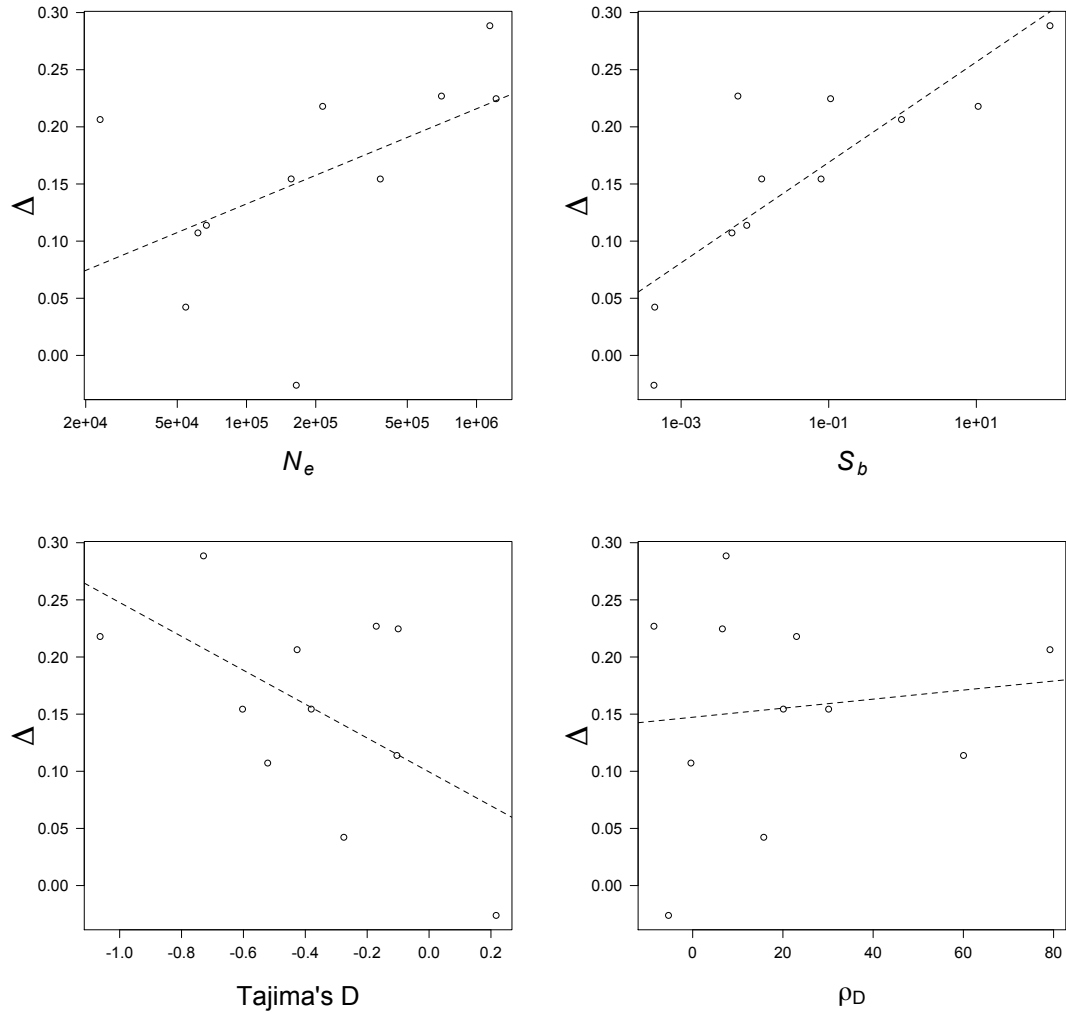
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2 **Figures**
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5 **Fig. 1** (A) The correlation between the observed slope of the regression of
6 $\log(\pi_N / \pi_S)$ over π_S , $-l$, and the shape parameter of the DFE, β , from the 59
7 species in Chen *et al.* (2017). (B) The distribution of $\Delta (= -l - \beta)$ against genetic
8 diversity at synonymous sites. β values were estimated from DFE models with
9 only deleterious mutations considered (the gamma distribution).

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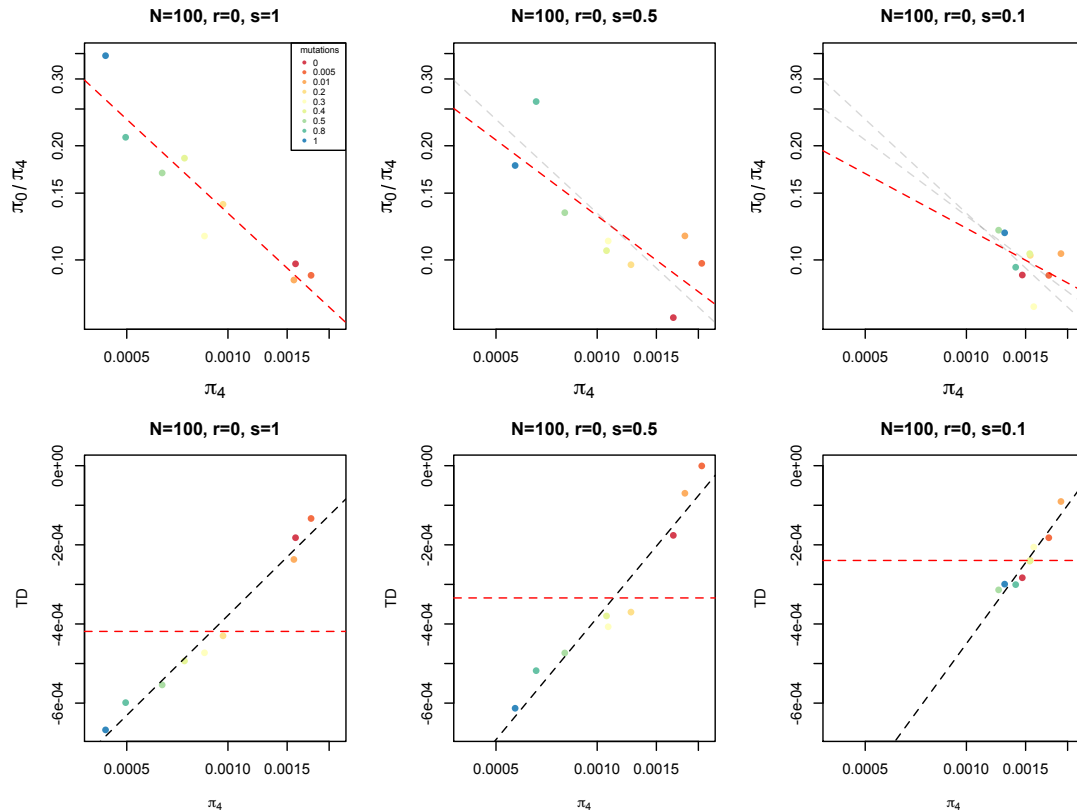
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2 **Fig. 2** The relationship between Δ ($=-l-\beta$) and effective population size N_e ,
3 selective strength S_b , Tajima's D and the trend of D across bins ρ_D for 11 selected
4 species. Dotted lines showed the linear regression line. β and S_b values were
5 estimated from full DFE models with both deleterious and beneficial mutations
6 considered (full DFE model with both gamma and exponential distributions).

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2 **Fig. 3** Effect of linked positive selection on the relationship between $\log(\pi_N/\pi_S)$
 3 and $\log(N_e)$ and Tajima's D. Upper row: The linear regression coefficient ($-l$)
 4 between $\log(\pi_N/\pi_S)$ and $\log(N_e)$ increases with increasing positive selective
 5 strength (from left to right). The red lines are the regression lines. For $s=0,5$ and
 6 $s=0.1$ the regression lines corresponding to larger s values are indicated with
 7 gray lines. Lower row: The red lines for Tajima's D panels indicate the mean
 8 values.

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11 **Supplementary Information**

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13 **Supplementary table legends**

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15 **Table S1.** The 59 species used to compare the difference between $-l$ and β
 16 assuming a gamma model for DFE. See Chen et al. (2017) for further details.

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1 **Table S2.** Details of the 11 species used in the current study to compare the
2 difference between $-l$ and β assuming a full model (gamma + exponential) for the
3 DFE.

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5 **Table S3.** Test for the invariance of DFE parameter estimates across bins by
6 comparing the log-likelihoods of independent estimates for each bin against those of
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1 **APPENDIX**

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3 In a constant population with population size N_e , $\pi_S = 4N_e\mu$ and π_N is given by
 4 (Sawyer and Hartl 1992):

5
$$\pi_N = 2N_e\mu \int_0^1 2x(1-x)H(S, x)dx \quad (A1)$$

6 where

7
$$H(S, x) = \frac{1-e^{-S(1-x)}}{x(1-x)(1-e^{-S})} \quad (A2)$$

8 is the mean time a new semidominant mutation of scaled selection coefficient $S =$
 9 $4N_e s$ spends between x and $x + dx$ (Wright 1938). For constant selection S , by
 10 integrating (A1) and dividing by $4N_e\mu$, we have:

11
$$\frac{\pi_N}{\pi_S} = f(S) = \frac{2}{1-e^{-S}} - \frac{2}{S} \quad (A3)$$

12 (A3) is valid for both positive and negative fitness effect. If we consider only
 13 beneficial mutations with a gamma distribution of effects, with mean S_b and

14 shape β_b : $\phi(S_b, \beta, S) = e^{-\frac{S\beta_b}{S_b}} S^{\beta-1} \left(\frac{\beta_b}{S_b}\right)^{\beta_b} / \Gamma(\beta_b)$, we can use the same approach

15 as Welch et al. (2008) to show that:

16
$$\frac{\pi_N}{\pi_S} = \int_0^{\infty} f(S)\phi(S_b, \beta_b, S) dS$$

$$= \frac{1}{\beta_b-1} \left(\frac{\beta_b}{S_b}\right)^{\beta_b} \left(\xi\left(\beta_b-1, \frac{\beta_b}{S_b}+1\right) + (\beta_b-1)\xi\left(\beta_b, \frac{\beta_b}{S_b}\right) - \xi\left(\beta_b-1, \frac{\beta_b}{S_b}\right) \right) \quad (A4)$$

17 where $\xi(x, y)$ is the Hurwith Zeta function. (A4) can be approximated under the
 18 realistic assumption that $\frac{\beta_b}{S_b} \ll 1$ and taking Taylor expansion of (A4) in $\frac{\beta_b}{S_b}$
 19 around 0. We thus obtain:

20
$$\frac{\pi_N}{\pi_S} \approx (2\pi)^{\beta_b} \left(\frac{S_b}{\beta_b}\right)^{\beta_b} \quad (A5)$$

21 which leads to equation [eq. 2] in the main text.

species	#chromosom	#genes	slope (l)	R2	p.value
A. trichopoda	8	9002	-0.03079	0.0122	0.4706823
A.thaliana	20	14308	-0.13308	0.4698	0.00382
S.bicolor	7	12382	-0.13228	0.5473	0.00116
M.truncatula	20	7822	-0.015393	0.0081939	0.51873
P.nigra	18	8009	-0.12091	0.19883	0.102593
P.tremula	20	17530	-0.165	0.6679	2.92e-05
P.tremuloides	20	16777	-0.1756	0.6351	4.4e-05
P.euphratica	40	12739	-0.033542	0.03494	0.3758
P.pruinosa	40	15872	0.15714	0.5765	0.000812
V.vinifera	20	10029	-0.010585	-0.002714	0.53938
T. aestivum	5	13135	-0.1985	0.6614	4.00E-04
C.sativus	19	8107	-0.2008	0.37419	0.0346859
C.hardwickii	10	8075	-0.02948	0.005111	0.52121
Z. mays	10	1676	-0.1959	0.292498	0.0379831
G.soja	20	23902	0.01296	0.00965	0.4587
G.max	20	23721	-0.005101	0.004733	0.43566
C.sinensis	4	10983	-0.10496	0.38487	0.0164
O.sativa	20	12416	-0.00658	-0.02686	0.6038
O.rufipogon	11	6305	-0.2551	0.6121	0.001
O.glab	13	8849	-0.09186	0.37368	0.0234
O.barthii	9	6133	-0.06925	0.16368	0.1226006
C.canephora	7	11528	0.1991	0.5222	0.00106
C. lanatus	10	6038	-0.19304	0.18761	0.1244345
M.esculenta	14	12536	-0.01945	0.025044	0.386128
H.vulgare	4	6232	0.06568	0.12179	0.1669793
C. grandiflora	20	12667	-0.2898	0.8196	3.39e-07
P.dactylifera	20	14166	-0.07643	0.240101	0.0538646
S.lycopersicon	5	14665	-0.1998	0.000184	0.6199
S.huaylasense	6	14684	-0.2914	0.000216	0.6211
H.sapiens	20	18191	0.105273	0.046502	0.38661
P.troglodytes	20	16333	-0.12841	0.08777	0.28757
P.paniscus	20	15233	-0.195248	0.12181	0.2393388
G. gorilla	20	12348	-0.053642	0.028298	0.412998
G. graueri	6	13334	-0.087203	0.09082	0.326128
P. abelii	10	15925	-0.06348	0.001645	0.49322
P. pygmaeus	10	15570	-0.11097	0.08732	0.263535
P. Papio	4	13335	0.11973	0.3219	0.0179
P. Ursinus	4	13283	0.1747	0.4082	0.00409
C. Jacchus	10	12859	0.2204	0.5907	0.000123
C. familiaris	20	12670	-0.16431	0.125731	0.2395
C. lupus	8	12665	-0.1555	0.11165	0.199697
B. taurus	18	13714	-0.09646	0.02092	0.37583
O. latipes	20	5478	-0.01919	0.02083	0.4351

O. niloticus	6	4939 -0.372	0.08717	0.1503
G. gorilla	20	2142 -0.3293	0.136386	0.233182
D.melanogaster	20	3686 -0.4243	0.7958	3.94e-06
C. briggsae	10	2497 -0.20332	0.18928	0.1225722
M. castaneus	20	19126 -0.022442	0.006106	0.48217
A. arabiensis	20	6763 -0.2387	0.6917	7.67e-05
A. epiroticus	20	6558 -0.2873	0.5709	0.00118
A. farauti	20	6264 -0.3115	0.4937	0.00448
A. funestus	12	6867 -0.4141	0.7947	5.43e-07
A. melas	12	7148 -0.1821	0.30286	0.0201097
A. merus	20	6665 -0.2608	0.6139	0.000194
A. quadriannuatus	20	6620 -0.1478	0.4223	0.0117
H. melpomene	8	6567 -0.2719	0.7328	4.29e-06
H. chinoneus	8	6437 -0.3324	0.7134	1.83e-05
H. timareta	8	6434 -0.2142	0.6244	0.000243
H. pardalinus	4	6459 -0.3673	0.6618	7.2e-05

S_d	beta
1.85e+22	0.021322045
208.0715692	0.262947282
273522.5492	0.10331407
3520000	0.076671273
7510000	0.081667091
27081.48075	0.13677788
9513.471827	0.156690454
3.00E+08	0.052221393
1740000	0.074766962
2920000	0.082468092
13631.07439	0.117827362
3760000	0.097784926
4390000	0.101323245
18769.08991	0.162600552
5070000	0.075207188
5.35e+48	0.01
1.93e+09	0.048424245
9.12e+13	0.028516702
3190000	0.074351324
8.11e+16	0.026769072
8.94e+23	0.02054373
5640000	0.067941908
357.9045775	0.200255858
1.69e+15	0.036875397
4540000	0.079329761
954.9860899	0.283390544
20400000	0.067902271
43400000	0.056347066
5.97e+53	0.011645271
10002.76568	0.12535229
9517.764368	0.142391471
9478.600653	0.126442144
6536.50279	0.136471801
3920000	0.076851226
176632.7316	0.112477663
49157.40682	0.117581567
66300000	0.057833203
69900000	0.062022659
1.09e+44	0.009999999
58538.91338	0.148629986
123933.2123	0.141824095
1.94e+09	0.075685116
1290000	0.106989872

389319.476 0.109072768
2990000 0.129853019
3974.566141 0.347297266
435.2635717 0.242110286
1890000 0.122589716
3966.393817 0.317476941
3844.612974 0.243166406
27491.72162 0.202916231
35258.79598 0.267911067
29934.62801 0.189863622
2218.056088 0.309945788
10813.37126 0.274193762
15840.97789 0.26019666
9256.968993 0.284517894
1790000 0.159669111
1.49e+12 0.083838116

Species	filtering*	#chromosomes	slope (l)	l_boots(95%)
<i>A. thaliana</i>	10, 0, 0, 1, 100, 0.1	10	0.477	(0.435, 0.521)
<i>A. lyrata</i>	10, 0, 0, 1, 100, 0.1	10	0.499	(0.585, 0.41)
<i>C. rubella</i>	10, 0, 0,30,100,0.5	10	0.43	(0.387, 0.466)
<i>C. grandiflora</i>	10, 0, 0, 1, 100, 0.5	16	0.521	(0.359, 0.695)
<i>S. habrochaites</i>	1e-20, 200, 0, 1, 100, 0.1	7	0.205	(0.08, 0.319)
<i>S. huaylasense</i>	1e-20, 200, 0, 1, 100, 0.1	4	0.536	(0.423, 0.656)
<i>S. propinquum</i>	10, 0, 0, 1, 10, 0.1	7	0.374	(0.32, 0.426)
<i>Z. mays</i>	10, 0, 0, 1, 100, 1	10	0.292	(0.262, 0.319)
<i>P. trichocarpa</i>	10, 0, 0, 1, 10, 0.1	16	0.421	(0.277, 0.598)
<i>D. melanogaster</i>	10, 0, 0, 1, 10, 0.1	20	0.7	(0.62, 0.768)
<i>H. timareta</i>	10, 0, 0, 1, 100, 0.1	8	0.435	(0.39, 0.476)

*: for filtering we performed following criteria in order: e-value, bit-score, query coverage, quer
different filtering criteria were chose for each species in order to maximize the linearity (R2 colu

p-value	R2	r2_boots(95%)	beta	S_d	p_b	S_b
3.60E-07	0.975	(0.938, 0.995)	0.3225751	-222.003	7.98E-06	0.0123487
4.02E-08	0.88	(0.765, 0.947)	0.3446372	-352.4657	1.95E-05	0.0787558
4.78E-11	0.953	(0.899,0.98)	0.3877494	-280.1572	0.05308512	0.000439121
1.20E-04	0.677	(0.457, 0.839)	0.3030656	-645.0785	0.0117206	10.58446
0.0207338	0.381	(0.0495, 0.69)	0.2311101	-98565.41	0.1430495	0.000428568
3.76E-06	0.79	(0.612, 0.9)	0.309072	-78719.78	0.1444625	0.005878293
1.00E-08	0.904	(0.816, 0.959)	0.260165	-284.4627	2.93E-06	0.007746282
1.30E-10	0.942	(0.893, 0.972)	0.1848003	-2525.62	1.86E-05	0.004883847
1.56E-04	0.679	(0.43, 0.853)	0.2146055	-5353.714	0.03788233	0.9679363
1.26E-11	0.95	(0.909, 0.978)	0.41152	-2175.355	0.00831	99.45153
1.60E-09	0.914	(0.845, 0.961)	0.2103758	-94578.76	0.001163899	0.1059159

y length, num of low quality sites, and percentage of low quality sites
 (mn) for slope calculation

pi0/pi4	Pi0	Pi4	mutation_TD	TD0	TD4	
0.233257195	0.0010212	0.004378	7	-0.380789691	-0.485021266	-0.164922928
0.183629727	0.0019619	0.010684	7	-0.60281367	-0.742612505	-0.228547355
0.244241748	0.0003722	0.0015239	7	-0.275451105	-0.347128820	-0.145517780
0.2	0.0012	0.006	7	-1.06321752	-1.185242445	-0.706171082
0.203418054	0.0006963	0.003423	5.2	0.216722329	0.194374941	0.251706312
0.175546448	0.00257	0.01464	5.2	-0.17066493	-0.175206441	-0.155516855
0.252857677	0.0006769	0.002677	10	-0.103947788	-0.177934072	-0.000858227
0.331255083	0.002444	0.007378	30	-0.521557492	-0.569127092	-0.375852577
0.220240157	0.000763	0.0034644	37.5	-0.426512977	-0.509090545	-0.155437972
0.090948175	0.0011635	0.012793	2.8	-0.729042402	-1.089469855	-0.273371182
0.109142452	0.00154	0.01411	2.9	-0.099778948	-0.188178832	0.008172753

rhoD	rhoD0	rhoD4
20.09847	13.34179434	21.201422194
30.13018	23.38621	36.52527
15.75497946	15.92928593	3.05971295
23.02078179	9.1258675	46.27447
-5.36317782	-5.25213432	-6.14003074
-8.58607658	-10.4053676	-4.48237127
60.03524	53.42481	63.11604
-0.38718011	-2.28800574	2.64622553
79.19642	66.73075636	85.323726616
7.406745777	-1.309081e+	12.662693295
6.583048719	3.93145947	6.870488613

Table S3 Test for the invariance of DFE parameter estimates across bins by comparing the log-likelihoods of independent estimates for each bin against those of shared estimates.

Species	$\Delta \log\text{lk}$ (full DFE)			$\Delta \log\text{lk}$ (gamma DFE)		
		ΔDf	p-value		ΔDf	p-value
<i>A. thaliana</i>	1361.4	16	0	1005.9	8	0
<i>A. lyrata</i>	1327.6	16	0	695.9	8	3.19e-295
<i>C. rubella</i>	704.8	16	1.45e-290	578.6	8	1.65e-244
<i>C. grandiflora</i>	1018.5	16	0	778.2	8	0
<i>S. habrochaites</i>	204.4	16	5.10e-77	196.4	8	6.54e-80
<i>S. huaylasense</i>	558.5	16	9.27e-228	526.6	8	5.07e-222
<i>S. propinquum</i>	678.4	16	3.30e-279	543.7	8	1.95e-229
<i>Z. mays</i>	721.8	16	7.00e-298	616.3	8	8.84e-261
<i>P. trichocarpa</i>	284.4	16	9.83e-111	307.5	8	1.45e-127
<i>D. melanogaster</i>	169.9	16	1.26e-62	502.7	8	1.07e-211
<i>H. timareta</i>	671.5	16	2.88e-276	543.7	8	2.01e-229