

# **The tip of the iceberg: genome wide marker analysis reveals hidden hybridization during invasion**

## **Running title: Hybridization of co-invaders**

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## 14    **Abstract**

15    Biological invasions are accelerating, and invasive species can have large economic impacts as well  
16    as severe consequences for biodiversity. During invasions, species can interact, potentially resulting  
17    in hybridization. Here, we examined two *Cakile* species, *C. edentula* and *C. maritima* (Brassicaceae),  
18    that co-occur and may hybridize during range expansion in separate regions of the globe. *Cakile*  
19    *edentula* invaded each location first, while *C. maritima* established later, apparently replacing the  
20    former. We assessed the evidence for hybridization in western North America and Australia, where  
21    both species have been introduced, and identified source populations with 4561 SNPs using  
22    Genotype-by-Sequencing. Our results indicate that the *C. edentula* in Australia originated from one  
23    region of eastern North America while in western North America it is likely from multiple sources.  
24    The *C. maritima* in Australia were derived from at least two different parts of Europe while the  
25    introduction in western North America is from one. Although morphological evidence of  
26    hybridization is generally limited to mixed species populations in Australia and virtually absent  
27    elsewhere, our genetic analysis revealed relatively high levels of hybridization in Australia (58%  
28    hybrids) and supported the presence of hybrids in western North America (16%) and New Zealand.  
29    Hybrids might be commonly overlooked in invaders, as identification based solely on morphological  
30    traits may represent only the tip of the iceberg. Our study reveals a repeated pattern of invasion,  
31    hybridization and apparent replacement of one species by another, which offers an opportunity to  
32    investigate the role of hybridization and introgression during invasion.

33    **Keywords: invasion, hybridization, *Cakile edentula*, *Cakile maritima*, Genotype-by-Sequencing**  
34    **(GBS), range expansion**

## 35    **1    Introduction**

36    Biogeographic barriers on a global, regional and local scale are often overcome by human activities,

37 leading to biological invasions (Sax & Gaines, 2003; Simberloff, 2013; Vilatersana, Sanz, Galian, &  
38 Castells, 2016). Biological invasions can have a large economic impact, reaching into the billions  
39 (Hoffmann & Broadhurst, 2016; Pimentel, Zuniga, & Morrison, 2005), as well as severe negative  
40 consequences for biodiversity and ecosystems (Sakai et al., 2001). Most long-distance introductions  
41 of invasive species in historic times are directly (e.g. ornamentals) or indirectly the result of  
42 anthropogenic activities (e.g. ballast on ships) (Baker, 1974; Ruiz et al., 2000; Sakai et al., 2001).  
43 Invasions can also lead to novel interactions between species that previously had not co-occurred  
44 and, where there are no strong reproductive barriers, this may lead to instances of hybridization  
45 (Abbott, 1992; Ellstrand & Schierenbeck, 2000).

46 Rather than hybridization just being an incidental event, it could actually facilitate the success of  
47 invasive plant species, as invasive hybrid lineages can have increased fecundity and size (Hovick &  
48 Whitney, 2014). Various hypotheses have been proposed by which hybridization facilitates rapid  
49 range expansion (Bock et al., 2015; Ellstrand & Schierenbeck, 2000), including evolutionary novelty,  
50 increased genetic variation, heterosis, dumping genetic load (i.e. genetic rescue) (Ellstrand &  
51 Schierenbeck, 2000) and demographic rescue (Mesgaran et al., 2016). But convincing empirical data  
52 are limited. Hybridization is certainly not the sole evolutionary pathway to invasiveness, but it can  
53 catalyze the evolution of invasiveness (Ellstrand & Schierenbeck, 2000). Not all the potential  
54 consequences of hybridization are beneficial, however, and there can be significant costs associated  
55 with hybridization, such as outbreeding depression (Baack, Melo, Rieseberg, & Ortiz-Barrientos,  
56 2015) and genetic swamping (Todesco et al., 2016). Our capacity to assess the role of hybridization  
57 during any particular invasion is hampered by the fact that it can be difficult to identify, especially  
58 when repeated backcrossing with one parental species has occurred rendering morphological  
59 identification difficult (Ward, Gaskin, & Wilson, 2008). However, genome-wide molecular markers  
60 can provide estimates of the extent of past hybridization and introgression across the genome

61 (Payseur & Rieseberg, 2016).

62 On the beaches of Australia, the North Island of New Zealand and western North America a repeated  
63 pattern of invasion by two species of sea-rocket with contrasting mating systems (Barbour &  
64 Rodman, 1970; Cousens, Ades, Mesgaran, & Ohadi, 2013; Cousens & Cousens, 2011; Rodman,  
65 1974, 1986) offers a rare opportunity to investigate the role of hybridization during invasion in  
66 distinct, geographically isolated regions. *Cakile edentula* (American sea-rocket), native to eastern  
67 North America, invaded each location first, while *Cakile maritima* (European sea-rocket)  
68 (Brassicaceae), native to Europe and northern Africa, arrived later. The invasion and replacement  
69 history in western North America and Australia are reviewed elsewhere (Barbour & Rodman, 1970;  
70 Cousens et al., 2013; Rodman, 1986), but we briefly outline it below.

71 In Australia, *C. edentula* was first recorded in Victoria in 1863 and subsequently spread along the  
72 coastline of Australia (Rodman, 1986). In 1897, *C. maritima* was recorded for the first time in  
73 Western Australia, and a second introduction into South Australia (1918: see Cousens et al., 2013;  
74 Ohadi et al., 2016) spread from there to the east (Heyligers, 1984; Rodman, 1986). In contrast to *C.*  
75 *edentula*, *C. maritima* seems still to be actively spreading in Australia and appears to have replaced  
76 *C. edentula* throughout much of its initial introduced range (Cousens et al., 2013; Rodman, 1986).  
77 In western North America, a similar pattern of replacement occurred. *Cakile edentula* was found near  
78 San Francisco around 1880 (Barbour & Rodman, 1970), while *C. maritima* reached western North  
79 America by 1936 where it was found sympatric with *C. edentula* near San Francisco. The most recent  
80 published field study showed that *C. maritima* had replaced *C. edentula* throughout most of coastal  
81 California but not Oregon or Washington (Boyd & Barbour, 1993). In each case, there has been  
82 complete replacement of *C. edentula* by *C. maritima* over wide geographic areas (Barbour &  
83 Rodman, 1970; Cousens et al., 2013; Rodman, 1986), which was originally assumed to involve either  
84 direct or indirect competition (Rodman, 1986), although several additional mechanisms have been

85 proposed such as disease (Bock, 2008; Cousens et al., 2013; Thrall, Young, & Burdon, 2000),  
86 coincidence (Cousens et al., 2013; Rodman, 1986), or greater lifetime fecundity of *C. maritima*  
87 (Boyd & Barbour, 1993). However, the mechanism of the replacement remains unclear.

88 *Cakile edentula* and *C. maritima* are closely related and cross-compatible (Li, Cousens, & Mesgaran,  
89 2019; Mesgaran et al., 2016; Rodman, 1974). Both species are found in coastal strandline habitat,  
90 providing opportunities for hybridization in regions where they co-occur, but the species exhibit  
91 contrasting mating systems (Rodman, 1974). *Cakile edentula* (self-compatible) benefits from high  
92 levels of reproductive assurance as it is able to set seeds autonomously at high rates (Li, Mesgaran,  
93 Ades, & Cousens, 2020); one of Baker's (1965) ideal weed traits. In contrast, the establishment of *C.*  
94 *maritima* (self-incompatible) may be initially hindered (during both initial establishment as well as  
95 subsequent range expansion) by a lack of compatible mates limiting sexual reproduction and  
96 resulting in strong Allee effects. The apparent presence of hybrids, based on an intermediate leaf and  
97 fruit shape of both parental species, in some sites in Australia led Mesgaran et al., (2016) to develop a  
98 model for the interacting species, with the novel outcome that transient hybridization could overcome  
99 Allee effects in *C. maritima*. As a consequence, we hypothesized that past hybridization with *C.*  
100 *edentula* could be a common feature of *C. maritima*'s establishment and range expansion in western  
101 North America, Australia and New Zealand.

102 We used genome-wide markers derived from Genotype-by-Sequencing (GBS) to examine the  
103 invasion history of these two species in Australia and western North America and quantify the extent  
104 and distribution of hybridization. There have been several previous studies examining the population  
105 genetic structure of *C. edentula* and *C. maritima* in their native ranges (Europe (Clausing, Vickers,  
106 Kadereit, 2000; Kadereit, Arafteh, Somogyi, & Westberg, 2005; Westberg, 2005), Africa (Gandour,  
107 Hessini, & Abdelly, 2008), eastern and western North America (Gormally, Hamrick, & Donovan,  
108 2011) as well as in the introduced range of Australia (Ohadi et al., 2016). However, no study of the

invasion history on two continents has been attempted nor has the extent of hybridization across multiple introductions been quantified. Specifically, we aimed to (1) identify probable source regions (from Europe and eastern North America); (2) determine whether both recent and advanced generation hybrids occur in the introduced ranges and the extent of their geographic distribution; and (3) determine if the change in levels of species ancestry post-invasion reflects a chronosequence along the direction of invasion of *C. maritima*. We predicted that early generation hybrids should be present at the leading edge of *C. maritima*'s invasion into *C. edentula*-occupied areas, but later generation backcrosses with *C. maritima* should be more common in areas closer to where *C. maritima* first established. This should contribute to a gradient in species ancestry whereby *C. maritima* ancestry will be dominant in hybrids near the invasion source, while *C. edentula* ancestry will be more prevalent in hybrids identified in areas recently invaded by *C. maritima*. We predicted high levels of *C. maritima* ancestry in hybrids near the invasion source because *C. maritima* phenotypes are now exclusively present in the regions surrounding the invasion source, and studies of pollinators suggest preferential visitation of both hybrids and *C. maritima* over *C. edentula* which should facilitate backcrossing to *C. maritima* (Mesgaran et al., 2016).

## 2 Methods

### 2.1 Study species

*Cakile maritima*'s native range extends over a wide climatic range from northern Norway to northern Africa. Current taxonomy recognizes subsp. *maritima* in the Mediterranean, subsp. *baltica* in the Baltic, subsp. *integrifolia* on the Atlantic coast and subsp. *euxina* in the Black Sea (Marhold, 2011). This is paralleled in the western Atlantic by *C. edentula*, which is found from Labrador to northern Florida, and two subspecies are recognized in its native range (Rodman, 1974) subsp. *edentula* (Labrador to North Carolina) and subsp. *harperi* (North Carolina to Florida). Both species exhibit

variation in morphology that is structured geographically (Ball, 1964; Rodman, 1974). Although *C. maritima* has a sporophytic self-incompatibility system, the level of self-incompatibility varies among plants (Thrall et al., 2000). *Cakile edentula* is self-compatible and can set seed autonomously at a high rate (Barbour, 1970; Rodman, 1974), although field estimates are suggestive of intermediate levels of autonomous selfing (Li et al., 2020). Anthers of *C. edentula* dehisce before the flowers open indicating opportunities for prior selfing (Li et al., 2019). Both species are diploid ( $2n = 18$ ) (Rodman, 1974). Hybrids are readily produced through artificial pollination (Rodman, 1974) and with either parent as the pollen donor when emasculated (Li et al., 2019; Mesgaran et al., 2016), although crosses are more successful when *C. edentula* acts as the pollen recipient, consistent with the SI x SC rule (Harrison & Darby, 1955).

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## 143 2.2 Samples

Samples of *Cakile spp.* were obtained from the native ranges (Europe and northern Africa, eastern North America) and the two introduced ranges (Australasia, western North America). We collected four of the five subspecies (subsp. *baltica*, subsp. *maritima*, subsp. *integrifolia* and subsp. *islandica*) of *C. maritima* (exclusion of subsp. *euxina*). In the native range of *C. edentula* we sampled only *C. edentula* subsp. *edentula* as this subspecies is most likely the source of invasions in Australia and western North America (Cousens et al., 2013; Rodman, 1974). We obtained 214 samples of *C. maritima*, 137 samples of *C. edentula*, 17 putative hybrids (identified by morphology in the field) and two *C. lanceolata* samples. Samples were sourced from 92 locations in total (Figure S1; Table 1 & S1). Many of these samples were our own field collections of silica dried leaf tissue (particularly in the introduced ranges), although a few samples were purified DNA from colleagues. We collected our samples along a transect through a population, ensuring that individuals were at least 2 m apart to

155 avoid sampling close relatives or the same individual. Individuals were collected randomly with  
156 respect to their putative species based on morphology.

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### 158 **2.3 DNA extraction and Genotype-by-sequencing**

159 We performed DNA extractions from dried leaf material using a modified CCDB DNA Extraction  
160 Protocol following Whitlock, Hipperson, Mannarelli, and Burke (2008). DNA quantity was assessed  
161 using a QuBit broad-sensitivity DNA quantification system (Invitrogen, Carlsbad, CA, USA) and a  
162 double-digest GBS library preparation was carried out (using PstI-HF (NEB) and MspI (NEB)  
163 enzymes, see Supplementary Information for details). Sequencing (125bp PE) was conducted on an  
164 Illumina HiSeq2500 (McGill University and Genome Quebec Innovation Centre) on two lanes.

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### 166 **2.4 SNP calling**

167 Quality statistics of raw reads were assessed though FastQC ([http://hannonlab.cshl.edu/fastx\\_toolkit](http://hannonlab.cshl.edu/fastx_toolkit))  
168 and the reads were demultiplexed using STACKS process\_radtags (Catchen, Amores, Hohenlohe,  
169 Cresco, & Postlethwait, 2011). We removed adapter sequences and trimmed the reads using Sickel  
170 (Joshi & Fass, 2011) with a Q-score of  $\geq 20$  and read length of  $\geq 20$  base pair. FASTQ quality filter  
171 ([http://hannonlab.cshl.edu/fastx\\_toolkit](http://hannonlab.cshl.edu/fastx_toolkit)) was then used to filter for reads with a Q- score of 20 or  
172 greater for  $\geq 90\%$  of the read length. The filtered reads were aligned using the Burrows-Wheeler  
173 Aligner (BWA) (Li & Durbin, 2009) to a *C. maritima* draft genome. Early access to the draft genome  
174 was generously provided by S.I. Wright, University of Toronto  
175 (<https://genome.jgi.doe.gov/portal/CakmarStandDraft/CakmarStandDraft.info.html>, GenBank:  
176 MK637688.1). The current assembly of the reference genome is found in 26,153 scaffolds with a



177 scaffold N50 of 85,425. We assessed if there was a bias when mapping the reads of *C. edentula* to the  
178 reference genome of *C. maritima* but found limited evidence for such a bias (see Supplementary  
179 Information for further details).

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181 We called variants with GATK HaplotypeCaller (Poplin et al., 2017). We refer to this as the  
182 *unfiltered dataset* (Rosinger et al., 2020). Using VCFtools (Danecek et al., 2011) we removed  
183 individuals with fewer than 25000 reads, removed indels and restricted individual genotypes to have  
184 a depth between 5- 100,000. Furthermore, we filtered for a minimum quality score of 20, a genotype  
185 quality of 20, and a minor allele frequency of 0.05. Subsequently, we kept only bi-allelic variants that  
186 were successfully genotyped in more than 50% of individuals and removed individuals that had more  
187 than 50% missing data. The above filtering steps resulted in a reduction from 699,585 SNPs in 371  
188 individuals to 18,573 SNPs in 258 individuals. Additionally, we removed 121 SNPs which showed >  
189 80% observed heterozygosity, because such high observed heterozygosity could be caused by  
190 paralogues. We refer to this as the *filtered dataset* (Rosinger et al., 2020), which had a mean coverage  
191 of 39.21 (minimum coverage 9.18, maximum coverage 504.73).

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## 193 **2.5 Genetic clustering**

194 Population genetic structure was inferred using Admixture (Alexander, Novembre, & Lange, 2009).  
195 For Admixture and most of our analysis we thinned our *filtered dataset* for linkage using a single  
196 SNP per 1kb window, resulting in a reduction to 4561 SNPs from 257 individuals (excluding the  
197 outgroup *C. lanceolata*). We will refer to this as the *global thinned dataset*. We ran Admixture using  
198 the *global thinned dataset* with a major termination criterion of  $1 \times 10^{-9}$  (i.e., a run was terminated

199 when the change in log-likelihood between successive iterations was below  $1 \times 10^{-9}$ ), 1000 bootstraps  
200 and ten-fold cross-validation for  $K=1-10$ . The  $K$  that produced the lowest cross-validation error was  
201 selected as the best  $K$  value. We refer to this as the *unsupervised run*. All following analyses were  
202 conducted in R-studio v.1.1.414 (RStudio Team, 2015) except where otherwise stated. The output of  
203 Admixture visualized with pophelper v.2.3.0 (Francis, 2017) and pie charts.

204 To complement the population clustering analysis provided by Admixture, and provide further  
205 insight in the population differentiation, we conducted a principal component analysis (PCA) and an  
206 unrooted phylogenetic network analysis. Genetic differentiation between native and introduced  
207 populations was summarized in a PCA using the R package SNPRelate (Zheng et al., 2012) and  
208 tidyverse (Wickham, Francois, Henry, & Müller, 2019). The 95% confidence ellipse construction  
209 was carried out using the R package car (Fox & Weisberg, 2019). We conducted this analysis using  
210 the *global thinned dataset*. We used SPLITSTREE5 (Huson & Bryant, 2006) to visualize the overall  
211 sample relatedness with an unrooted phylogenetic network. To do this, we created two datasets from  
212 our unfiltered dataset; (1) a global dataset containing all samples (*global Splitstree dataset*) and (2) a  
213 native range dataset containing samples from Europe and eastern North America (*native range*  
214 *Splitstree dataset*). The above two datasets were created by filtering the *unfiltered dataset* for a minor  
215 allele count of 2, a minimum genotype quality of 20 and a maximum missing value of 1. This  
216 approach kept variants specific to the *C. lanceolata* lineage, which would have been removed by the  
217 previous filtering steps. VCFtools (Danecek et al., 2011) and Mesquite (Maddison & Maddison,  
218 2019) were used for filtering and data conversion.

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## 220 **2.6 Hybrid identification**

221 We used three different approaches to identify hybrids using genetic data:

222 (1) To identify the proportion of each individual's genome that was attributable to each species'  
223 ancestry, we conducted a *supervised run* of Admixture for K=2 using the *global thinned dataset*, by  
224 setting the samples from the two native ranges as reference individuals. Providing known ancestries  
225 allows the program to set some rows in the matrix Q to known constants and provides a more  
226 accurate estimation of the ancestries of the remaining individuals, and of the ancestral allele  
227 frequencies (Alexander et al., 2009). These reference individuals are essentially training samples, and  
228 ancestry identification is transformed into a supervised learning problem. The other settings were  
229 retained from the *unsupervised run*. We refer to this as the *supervised run* and used this run to  
230 classify individuals by their Q-scores as hybrid, or pure species. We used the highest standard error  
231 from the Q scores obtained with 1000 bootstraps, resulting in individuals classified as hybrids if  
232  $0.025 < Q < 0.975$  of their genome was assigned to the *C. edentula* cluster.

233 (2) We used the program NewHybrids (Anderson & Thompson, 2002) to identify early generation  
234 hybrids as we expected early generation hybrids to be present in mixed species populations. It  
235 classifies their generation using a Bayesian model-based clustering framework to compute, by  
236 Markov chain Monte Carlo, the posterior probability that each individual belongs to each of the  
237 distinct hybrid classes (parental species, F1, F2, BC to species 1, BC to species 2). This program is  
238 designed to identify hybrids from the first two generations of interbreeding based on classification  
239 into six genotype classes and does not require the loci to be fixed between species, although a large  
240 number of highly differentiated loci aids hybrid identification (Anderson & Thompson, 2002). As the  
241 program is unable to deal with a large dataset, we restricted our data to 63 SNPs that showed fixed  
242 differences between the two species obtained from individuals classified as parental species using the  
243 *supervised run* of Admixture. Details of the settings used are provided in the Supplementary  
244 Information.

245 (3) We used the R package Hltest (Fitzpatrick, 2012), which uses maximum likelihood to estimate

ancestry and heterozygosity. This method jointly considers ancestry (similar to Admixture) together with interclass heterozygosity (proportion of loci with alleles from both ancestral populations) and without the assumption that only two generations of admixture have transpired. It specifically tests the assumption that discrete classification (i.e., pure species or early generation hybrids) rather than continuous distribution of hybrid genotypes best describes each individual. The simple likelihood approach it employs is relatively robust to small errors in the assumed parental allele frequencies, especially if the errors are unbiased. For this package, we used the 471 loci that showed fixed differences between the individuals of the native ranges. Because it is possible that there is a low level of segregating variation within each species for these loci due to sampling error, particularly for SI *C. maritima* where the sample size is lower, we set the allele frequencies as 0.99 for *C. edentula* and 0.03 for *C. maritima*. We also tested other SNP sets and allele frequencies. The details of the settings used and the hybrid assignments are provided in the Supplementary Information, but the patterns were broadly similar among runs.

We tested for a chronosequence by assessing if there was a correlation between the distance of each population from the first entry point of *C. maritima* (Adelaide in Australia, San Francisco in western North America) and the level of *C. maritima* and *C. edentula* ancestry using a Spearman's rank correlation test in R using the ggpubr package (Kassambara, 2020). We used the ranked order of populations from this origin point along the coastline for each range. In Australia, we only used the south-east mainland individuals, as the introduction history and pattern of replacement based on herbarium records led us to predict a gradient in species ancestry in hybrids from high levels of *C. maritima* in South Australia to high levels of *C. edentula* further north in Queensland. In western North America we predicted this pattern to the north of San Francisco (the likely origin of *C. maritima*) as *C. edentula* has only recently been replaced in parts of Oregon and Washington and *C. edentula* is common in British Columbia. We tested the correlation between the Q value of the *C.*

270 *edentula* cluster of the *supervised run* for each population and the rank order of the sampling  
271 locations along the coastline to the first entry point of *C. maritima*. We used individuals that were  
272 classified as hybrids by Admixture or all samples (including the parental species). We repeated this  
273 analysis using the S value from Hltest and the hybrid classifications of this program.

274 Additionally, we used the program TreeMix (Pickrell & Pritchard, 2012) to identify evidence for  
275 hybridization in the introduced ranges using the *global thinned dataset*. We constructed maximum  
276 likelihood trees with TreeMix (Pickrell & Pritchard, 2012) allowing up to four migration events.  
277 First, we grouped our samples according to their species and origin. For *C. maritima*, we kept the  
278 Atlantic and Mediterranean *C. maritima* samples separate because they were likely different  
279 subspecies (Rodman, 1974, 1976, 1986) and these groups appeared well differentiated from one  
280 another (e.g., Figure 2 B). We excluded morphological hybrids, which appeared to be mainly early  
281 generation hybrids based on the NewHybrid analysis, to assess evidence for admixture between the  
282 species in the introduced ranges, which may not be apparent phenotypically. Our groupings were: 1)  
283 Australian *C. edentula*; 2) Australian *C. maritima* (Mediterranean); 3) Australian *C. maritima*  
284 (Atlantic); 4) western North American *C. edentula*, 5) western North American *C. maritima*; 6)  
285 eastern North American *C. edentula*; 7) European *C. maritima* (Mediterranean); and 8) European *C.*  
286 *maritima* (Atlantic). We tested for admixture in Australia separately from western North America but  
287 included native range samples in both analyses. We used the  $f_3$  statistic (Pickrell & Pritchard, 2012;  
288 Reich, Thangaraj, Patterson, Price, & Singh, 2009), which is part of the TreeMix package, to test for  
289 evidence of admixture in the invasive ranges in putative hybrids. We grouped the samples according  
290 to their Admixture classification (*supervised run*). For Australia we had three groups in south-east  
291 Australia: 1) Australian *C. edentula*, 2) Australian *C. maritima*; and 3) Australian hybrids. For  
292 western North America we had three groups: 1) western North American *C. edentula*; 2) western

293 North American *C. maritima*; and 3) western North American hybrids. No SNP blocking was used  
294 for TreeMix as the data set had been trimmed for linkage disequilibrium.

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## 296 2.7 Genetic diversity and differentiation

297 Genetic diversity and differentiation within the two native ranges and two introduced ranges were  
298 assessed for the 256 individuals (the New Zealand and *C. lanceolata* samples were excluded) using  
299 the *global thinned dataset*. We calculated observed heterozygosity ( $H_O$ ) and allelic richness ( $A_R$ ).  
300 The 95% confidence intervals of  $A_R$  were calculated with 1000 bootstraps. These analyses were  
301 conducted using the *diveRsity* package (Keenan, McGinnity, Cross, Crozier, & Prodöhl, 2013).  
302 Because sampling at individual locations was limited in the native ranges, we grouped individuals  
303 based on their range, and their hybrid ancestry (pure parental or hybrid) using the *supervised run* Q-  
304 value assignments of the *global thinned dataset* into eight groups: 1) *C. edentula* from eastern North  
305 America; 2) *C. maritima* from Europe and northern Africa; 3) Australian *C. maritima*; 4) Australian  
306 *C. edentula*; 5) Australian hybrids; 6) western North American *C. maritima*; 7) western North  
307 American *C. edentula*; and 8) western North American hybrids. We used the Q value assignment of  
308 the *C. edentula* cluster and the highest standard error (0.024) of the *supervised run* to classify  
309 individuals. Individuals were considered hybrids if an individual had a  $0.025 < Q < 0.975$  of the *C.*  
310 *edentula* cluster. To determine regional differentiation we calculated Weir and Cockerham's (1984)  
311 pairwise  $F_{ST}$  between the above eight groups using the *global thinned dataset* with VCFtools  
312 (Danecek et al., 2011). Additionally, we calculated the  $F_{ST}$  for pure parental individuals, grouping  
313 individuals according to their Admixture cluster from the *unsupervised run* and range (see  
314 Supplementary Information for more detail).

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## 316 3 Results

### 317 3.1 Genetic structuring and differentiation

318 The Admixture analysis of the *unsupervised run* showed genetic structuring of *C. maritima*, *C.*  
319 *edentula* and hybrids. We plotted population pie charts and an individual bar plot for K=8 (Figure 1  
320 A, B), which was the optimal K value. Genetic structure was present in the native range of *C.*  
321 *edentula*, where single samples from Lake Michigan and Rhode Island constituted one group,  
322 samples from New Brunswick within the Gulf of St. Lawrence the second group, samples from  
323 Newfoundland and Quebec (along the St Lawrence River) the third group and samples from Nova  
324 Scotia the final group. As expected, for *C. maritima*, there were two main groups: one group was  
325 largely from the Baltic and Atlantic coasts, which we term the “Atlantic” group (comprised mainly of  
326 the dark blue cluster, Figure 1 A, B) and a second admixed group was associated with the  
327 Mediterranean, that we term the “Mediterranean” group (comprised mainly of the light and medium  
328 blue clusters, Figure 1 A, B). In Australia, several genetic clusters were identified. First, in  
329 Queensland, New South Wales and Tasmania we identified pure *C. edentula* individuals with no  
330 evidence of hybridization with *C. maritima*. Second, for populations along the west coast of  
331 Australia, we identified a *C. maritima* cluster associated with the Atlantic coast in the native range.  
332 Third, in South Australia, genetic clusters associated with the Mediterranean were found. Finally, in  
333 the south-east of Australia there was evidence of hybrids between *C. maritima* and *C. edentula* (see  
334 below for details). In the introduced range of western North America, we identified pure *C. edentula*  
335 along with pure *C. maritima* (Figure 1 A, B). A small number of samples from Washington, Oregon  
336 and California showed evidence of hybridization (see hybrid classification section below).

337 The PCA and SPLITSTREE5 analyses confirmed the findings of Admixture. There was clear  
338 differentiation of *C. maritima* and *C. edentula* in the *global thinned dataset*. The first eigenvector

(EV) (Figure 2 A & S4 A) explained 33.17% of the variation and clearly delineated the species. The *C. edentula* group showed less variation than the *C. maritima* group along the first two EVs. Two *C. maritima* groupings were also evident with one representing *C. maritima* from Europe and Australia (EV1<0, EV2<0) and the other representing exclusively *C. maritima* from western North America (EV1<0, EV2>0). In the SPLITSTREE5 network, using the *global Splitstree dataset*, *C. edentula* (as identified by the *supervised run*) formed a monophyletic group without admixture. *C. maritima* samples were split into three groups (Figure 2 B, C): *C. maritima* associated with the Mediterranean group, *C. maritima* associated with an Atlantic group and *C. maritima* in western North America. Hybrids of the two species were scattered in between the *C. maritima* groups or between the two-parental species along the network. We conducted an additional native range SPLITSTREE5 analysis (Figure S5) that mirrors this pattern but provides clearer *C. edentula* grouping in the native range.

Pairwise  $F_{ST}$  (Table S2) using the *global thinned dataset* revealed clear genetic differentiation between the two-parental species originating from the native range ( $F_{ST} > 0.527$ ). Within the introduced ranges the pairwise  $F_{ST}$  between the two species was similar to the comparison of the native ranges. Hybrids identified using Admixture in the introduced ranges showed higher genetic differentiation from *C. edentula* than from *C. maritima* (Table S2).

## 3.2 Genetic diversity

Population statistics revealed that in their native ranges *C. edentula*, the self-compatible species, has considerably less observed heterozygosity than *C. maritima* and the hybrids of the two species (Table S3). Allelic richness was significantly reduced in *C. edentula* in comparison to *C. maritima*, the largely self-incompatible species. In the introduced ranges, no clear reduction of  $H_O$  or  $A_R$  was observed in either of the species; indeed, *C. maritima* individuals seemed to have an increase in  $H_O$



362 (in comparison to the native range). Hybrids of the two-species had higher  $H_O$  and  $A_R$  compared to  
363 both parental species.

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### 365 3.3 Hybrid classification

366 The three approaches classified different proportions of individuals as hybrids, as expected due to  
367 their ability to detect recent hybrids (NewHybrid, Hlest), versus hybrid ancestry (Admixture, Hlest).  
368 All hybrids identified by NewHybrids were also identified as hybrids with Hlest and Admixture  
369 (Table S4 & S5). The fourteen putative hybrids included in the samples as a result of morphological  
370 identification were assigned by all analyses as hybrids, providing evidence of the accuracy of the  
371 assignments. Furthermore, the NewHybrid analysis confirmed that these hybrids were likely the  
372 product of the first two generations of interbreeding. NewHybrids analysis revealed 19 hybrids  
373 (Figure 4; Table S4) with 17 hybrids in Australia (13.49%), one in western North America (1.47%)  
374 and one in New Zealand. In Australia, F1 and F2 hybrids were detected in the current sympatric  
375 zones where individuals with both species' phenotypic traits were clearly identifiable in the  
376 populations. Hybrids (Figure S4 B) grouped in the PCA according to their generation, with F1 and F2  
377 hybrids grouped between the parental species, and backcrosses grouped closer to species they  
378 backcrossed to. In this same PCA the advanced generation hybrids identified with the *supervised run*  
379 of Admixture as well as Hlest frequently grouped with *C. maritima*, suggestive of further  
380 backcrossing to that species.

381 Classification of hybrids using the *supervised run* of Admixture revealed 73 hybrids in Australia  
382 (57.94%) from 15 locations, 11 hybrids in western North America (16.18%) from five locations and  
383 one hybrid from New Zealand (Figure 1; Table S4). In western North America hybrids were found in  
384 each of two locations in California and Oregon and in one location in Washington.

385 All Admixture hybrids were also identified as hybrids in Hlest. When the 471 loci that are fixed  
386 between native range samples were used, and we allowed for a low level of polymorphism within  
387 each species (0.99 *C. edentula*, 0.03 *C. maritima*), a larger number of hybrids were identified using  
388 Hlest than Admixture (138 versus 85, Table S6). The additional hybrids identified by Hlest over  
389 Admixture were exclusively found in the introduced ranges and were identified as advance  
390 generation hybrids with most showing a greater proportion of ancestry to *C. maritima* than *C.*  
391 *edentula* (Figure 3). When we increased the allele frequency of *C. maritima* (0.99 *C. edentula*, 0.06  
392 *C. maritima*) we identified slightly fewer hybrids (132). Again, they were all in the introduced  
393 ranges. The discrepancy between runs mainly reflected the classification of individuals with an  
394 apparent low level of ancestry from the alternate species. When 63 SNPs that were fixed between all  
395 parental individuals based on the *supervised* Admixture analysis were used, the identification of  
396 parental and hybrids was identical between methods Admixture and Hlest methods. Furthermore, a  
397 single F2 was identified (matching NewHybrid). In all the runs, advanced generation hybrids were  
398 identified in this analysis with many in regions where *C. maritima* has not been recorded for many  
399 decades, but also in the current sympatric zone (New South Wales, Queensland and Tasmania).

400 We then examined if patterns of ancestry in Australia and western North America reflected the likely  
401 invasion route of *C. maritima*. Specifically, we tested if low levels of *C. edentula* ancestry were  
402 found in areas where *C. maritima* first arrived, and if high levels of *C. edentula* ancestry were found  
403 in regions *C. maritima* has more recently invaded and where *C. edentula* is still present. Using the  
404 supervised Admixture analysis, the mean *C. edentula* ancestry of hybrids at each location was  
405 correlated with the ranked distance from where *C. maritima* first arrived in south-eastern mainland  
406 Australia ( $\rho = 0.82$ ,  $p < 0.01$ ) (Table 3). This pattern was also significant when testing across all  
407 samples, including individuals identified as parental species ( $\rho = 0.89$ ,  $p < 0.05$ ). However, in  
408 western North American, although the direction of the correlation was as predicted, a geographic

409 pattern in ancestry was only significant when using locations north of San Francisco as well as  
410 parental and hybrid individuals ( $p = 0.72$ ,  $p < 0.05$ ). The same pattern of significance was found  
411 when using the results of the Hlest (Figure 3 & 5 & S6; Table 3)

412 To further confirm our finding of hybridization in the introduced ranges between the species, we used  
413 TreeMix to assess gene flow between *C. edentula* and *C. maritima* within each introduced range. The  
414 maximum likelihood tree in both invasive ranges showed bidirectional gene flow (Figure 6). In  
415 Australia gene flow occurred from the *C. edentula* branch (comprised of eastern North American *C.*  
416 *edentula* and Australian *C. edentula*) into Australian *C. maritima* (Mediterranean); a migration event  
417 also occurred from this group into the *C. edentula* branch (Figure 6 B). In western North America the  
418 same pattern occurs. There is evidence of a migration event from the *C. edentula* branch into western  
419 North American *C. maritima* as well as a migration event from the western North American *C.*  
420 *maritima* branch into the western North American *C. edentula* (Figure 6 A). We used the  $f_3$  statistic of  
421 TreeMix (Table 3) to further confirm hybridization within the introduced ranges. Hybrids (identified  
422 by the *supervised* Admixture run) are admixed from the *C. edentula* and *C. maritima* parental  
423 individuals within both introduced ranges (Australia  $f_3 = -0.006$ ,  $Z = -31.97$ ; western North America  
424  $f_3 = -0.005$ ,  $Z = -23.22$ ).

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## 426 4 Discussion

427 Our analysis sheds light on the origin and extent of hybridization of two introduced species in two  
428 separate invasions, which experienced a parallel pattern of invasion and apparent replacement of one  
429 species by another. The *unsupervised* run of Admixture provides evidence that *C. edentula*  
430 populations in Australia were likely from a single source, while in western North America *C.*  
431 *edentula* likely originated from two different regions of eastern North America. *Cakile maritima* in

432 Australia was likely sourced from two distinct regions, with the western Australian populations  
433 originating from the European Baltic or Atlantic coasts and the south-eastern Australian populations  
434 from the Mediterranean. The western North American *C. maritima* populations likely originate from  
435 a single source and show the closest affinity to the Mediterranean samples in the Admixture analysis.  
436 Importantly, we found frequent hybridization in Australia (hybrid samples = 58%, *supervised run*  
437 Admixture) as well as the first genetic evidence of hybrids in western North America (16%,  
438 *supervised run* Admixture) and in New Zealand. In addition, the geographic distribution of hybrid  
439 ancestry fits with expectations based on historical records documenting the range expansion and  
440 replacement of *C. edentula* by *C. maritima*. Except at places where the two species are currently  
441 sympatric and new hybrids are still being formed, it would be difficult to determine morphologically  
442 that hybridization has ever taken place, since backcrossing soon hides its phenotypic evidence. *Cakile*  
443 *maritima* is highly variable within and between populations in its native range and hybrids in the  
444 introduced range could easily be overlooked (e.g. Cousens et al., 2013) without the use of molecular  
445 methods. It is therefore an intriguing possibility that hybridization may be commonly overlooked in a  
446 much wider range of invasive taxa, especially where morphological trait indicators of hybridization  
447 are more cryptic. Alien floras commonly include many congeneric species whose capacity for  
448 interbreeding is yet to be established. While previous authors (Ellstrand & Schierenbeck, 2000) have  
449 raised our attention to obvious hybrid species and allopolyploids, perhaps the impacts of  
450 hybridization are often more insidious. It is thus important – though not an easy task – to determine  
451 in future the extent to which such non-apparent introgression has been beneficial during invasion.

#### 452 **4.1 Native range patterns**

453 One of our primary goals was to identify the source regions for the invasions for each species, which  
454 is only possible when there is geographic structuring in the native ranges. Our analysis provided  
455 evidence of geographic structuring in the *C. edentula* native range, at a much finer grain than

456 currently recognized taxonomically (Figure 1). Samples from Quebec, Newfoundland, Nova Scotia  
457 and New Brunswick contain separate Admixture clusters, likely within *C. edentula* subsp. *edentula*  
458 var. *edentula* as this subspecies is the only one described in this region of the North American  
459 Atlantic coast (Rodman, 1974). Two single samples from Lake Michigan and Rhode Island grouped  
460 together in one cluster of the Admixture analysis; those samples might belong to the Atlantic coast  
461 variety of *C. edentula* subsp. *edentula* var. *edentula* as it is known to have invaded Lake Michigan in  
462 historical times (Huebner, 2009; Rodman, 1974), where it now coexists with the Great Lakes  
463 endemic var. *lacustris*. A second possibility, suggested by Gormally et al., (2011), but without  
464 morphological evidence, is that var. *lacustris* has dispersed to the Atlantic. Genetically distinct  
465 regional variation is not surprising, as the directions of currents and the influences of geological  
466 features on seed dispersal can be highly predictable (Lapointe, 2000). Similar conclusions have been  
467 reached in the Mediterranean by Westberg (2005) and Gandour et al. (2008). *Cakile edentula* subsp.  
468 *harperi* occurs in areas south of the populations sampled in our study (Rodman, 1974), but  
469 comprehensive studies of herbarium samples by Rodman (1974) and Cousens et al., (2013) have  
470 found no morphological evidence that subsp. *harperi* has been introduced anywhere outside its native  
471 range.

472 Our analyses revealed clustering of *C. maritima* in its native Europe largely consistent with the  
473 accepted taxonomic distributions (Ball, 1964; Marhold, 2011; Rodman, 1974) as well as one previous  
474 population genetic analysis (Clausing et al., 2000). Other genetic studies with greater sampling  
475 intensity, however, showed more differentiation on a local level (Kadereit et al., 2005; Westberg,  
476 2005). The absence of fine-grain local differentiation in our study might be driven by the limited  
477 number of native range samples for this species and restricted sampling of the Baltic area.

478 *Cakile edentula* showed lower genetic diversity than *C. maritima* in their native ranges as measured  
479 by allelic richness and observed heterozygosity (Table S3) and showed less variation along the EVs

480 and in the SPLITSTREE network analysis (Figure 2). Higher selfing rates in *C. edentula* would be  
481 expected to reduce the effective population size compared to the largely self-incompatible *C.*  
482 *maritima* (Pollak, 1987).

## 483 4.2 Introduced range patterns

### 484 4.2.1 Australia and New Zealand

485 Although *C. edentula* has now disappeared from much of its original introduced range in Australia,  
486 some pure *C. edentula* populations still remain. Our analyses show that they likely originate from  
487 populations located in Nova Scotia as they contained an Admixture cluster found exclusively in this  
488 region of the native range and showed the lowest genetic differentiation from this region (Figure 1;  
489 Table S7). *Cakile edentula*  $A_R$  and  $H_O$  did not change considerably in Australia compared to the  
490 native range (Table S3), which is inconsistent with a strong invasion bottleneck. The genetic  
491 structure of the Australian *C. maritima* samples is consistent with a history of multiple introductions.  
492 This is in accordance with previous morphological and genetic studies of invasion history in  
493 Australia (Cousens et al., 2013; Ohadi et al., 2016; Rodman, 1976, 1986). In particular, the cluster  
494 associated with the Atlantic European group is found in western Australia, while a Mediterranean  
495 cluster predominates in southern and eastern Australia (including Tasmania) (Figure 1; Table S8).  
496 Similarly, analysis of microsatellite markers indicated that that western and south-eastern populations  
497 of *C. maritima* in Australia were genetically distinct and most likely resulted from independent  
498 introductions with severely limited gene flow from west to east (Ohadi et al., 2016). Finally,  
499 Australian *C. maritima* showed higher  $A_R$  and  $H_O$  values than its native range, consistent with  
500 admixture of multiple source populations and/or hybridization with *C. edentula*. Many successful  
501 invasions are sourced from multiple introductions (e.g., Vallejo- Marín et al., 2020; van Boheemen et  
502 al. 2017) and both hybridization and multiple introductions and admixture may spur successful

503 invasions (Ellstrand & Schierenbeck, 2006; Dlugosch & Parker, 2008; Hodgins, Bock, Rieseberg,  
504 2018).

505 Our data provides substantial evidence for extensive hybridization in Australia between the two  
506 species. TreeMix supported bidirectional gene flow between Australian *C. maritima* and *C. edentula*  
507 individuals (identified morphologically) (Figure 6). This was confirmed by the Admixture global  
508 analysis (Figure 1), the PCA and Splitstree analysis, as many Australian samples fell in-between the  
509 native range samples of both species (Figure 2), and the  $f_3$  test (Table 3). Further support is provided  
510 by three separate analyses which specifically detect hybrid individuals (Figure 1 & 3 & 5 & S6;  
511 Table S4). As expected, Australian hybrids (*supervised* Admixture *run*) had higher genetic diversity  
512 than both parental species (Table S3). Furthermore, the pattern of hybrid ancestry was geographically  
513 structured and reflected the historical invasion route of *C. maritima* in south-eastern Australia. This  
514 pattern was consistent across two separate approaches (*supervised* Admixture *run*, H1est) to identify  
515 hybrid ancestry (Figure 1 & 3; Table 2). NewHybrids confirmed the presence of a small number of  
516 early generation hybrids (within two generations) where both species still co-occur (Figure 4). Some  
517 mixed populations in Australia show pure genotypes of both parental species and early generation  
518 hybrids, demonstrating on-going hybridization of the two taxa (Figure 4). In areas where *C. edentula*  
519 still persists, backcrossing to *C. edentula* has also occurred, but is rare, and recent backcrosses to *C.*  
520 *maritima* appear to be more common. In those parts of Australia where *C. maritima* has already  
521 appeared to have replaced *C. edentula* (i.e., where no *C. edentula* phenotypes remain; Cousens et al.,  
522 2013; Rodman, 1986), evidence is consistent with past hybridization between the species and  
523 repeated backcrossing to *C. maritima* (Figure 1 & 3 & 6). In areas of Western Australia, where *C.*  
524 *edentula* has never been identified, evidence of hybridization with *C. edentula* was also found,  
525 confirming a previous observation by Ohadi et al., (2016). The sample from New Zealand was  
526 identified as a hybrid where the same replacement of *C. edentula* by *C. maritima* has also taken place

527 (Cousens & Cousens, 2011).

#### 528 4.2.2 Western North America

529 Our results revealed that *C. edentula* in western North America most likely originated from two  
530 sources in eastern North America. We also found that western North American *C. maritima*  
531 potentially originated from the Mediterranean region, as *C. maritima* in western North America  
532 contained the same Admixture clusters as the Mediterranean and showed the lowest differentiation  
533 from this region (Figure 1; Table S7 & S8). However, these populations were genetically distinct  
534 (Figure 2 & S4) suggesting the possibility of an unknown source for this invasion, or the impact of an  
535 invasion bottleneck. *Cakile edentula* and *C. maritima* in western North America showed, as in  
536 Australia, no reduction  $H_0$  and  $A_R$ , which may reflect the impacts of undetected hybridization, large  
537 founding populations, or multiple introductions.

538 Like Australia, hybridization was identified between the two species in western North America,  
539 although the proportion of hybrids was less (e.g., 58% versus 16% using the *supervised Admixture*  
540 *run*). TreeMix identified bidirectional gene flow between the species in western North America  
541 (Figure 6; Table 3), and evidence consistent with hybridization was apparent in the global Admixture  
542 analysis (Figure 1), the PCA and Splitstree analysis (Figure 2). Furthermore, we employed three  
543 independent methods to specifically identify hybrid individuals and their likely generation. From this  
544 we identified 11 hybrid samples (all 11 were identified by both H1est and Admixture and one as an  
545 F2 by NewHybrids) from five locations in western North America. Specimens of hybrids based on  
546 morphological identification are largely unknown for this region, either in herbaria or in the field  
547 (Rodman, 1974). But more recently, Cody and Cody (2004) reported a small percentage of hybrids in  
548 a population from British Columbia. Although the fitness and demographic consequences of  
549 hybridization during introduction require further investigation, the lower incidence of hybrids in



550 western North America compared to Australia suggests that hybridization could have facilitated the  
551 establishment and rapid spread of *C. maritima* to a greater degree in Australia. In support of this  
552 hypothesis, the complete replacement of *C. edentula* by *C. maritima* phenotypes has not progressed  
553 as far north in western North America compared to Australia, where few northern populations of *C.*  
554 *edentula* remain. However, the mechanism driving differences in hybridization rates in western North  
555 America compared to Australia is unclear and requires further investigation.

### 556 4.3 Hybrid identification and significance

557 The pattern of invasion first by *C. edentula*, then by *C. maritima*, has been repeated in three regions.  
558 Prior to this study, hybrids were known only from Australia. However, we also identified clear  
559 evidence of hybridization in western North America and in New Zealand. Hybrids between the two  
560 species can be produced readily by handcrossing (e.g. Li et al., 2019; Mesgaran et al., 2016; Rodman,  
561 1974) and our data demonstrate that recent and advanced generation hybrids are at least partially  
562 fertile in natural populations. Our results show backcrossing to both parental species, although  
563 backcrossing to *C. maritima* was much more frequent (Figure 3). This pattern of biased backcrossing  
564 towards *C. maritima* was predicted based on field observations of pollinator visitations (Mesgaran et  
565 al., 2016), the morphological replacement of *C. edentula* by *C. maritima*, and previous genetic  
566 studies (Mesgaran et al., 2016; Ohadi et al., 2016). It is also consistent with expected mating  
567 asymmetries between these species and their hybrids caused by the inheritance of the self-  
568 incompatibility system and traits associated with pollinator attraction in hybrids (Li et al., 2019). In  
569 artificial crosses, early generation hybrids inherited mostly (but not exclusively) self-incompatibility,  
570 as well as larger floral displays, similar to *C. maritima* (Li et al., 2019). This suggests that F1 hybrids  
571 will often need to rely on outcrossing, and that larger floral displays should facilitate this.  
572 Consequently, these traits in the hybrids should further contribute to backcrossing to the self-  
573 incompatible parent (*C. maritima*). A similar asymmetric pattern of species ancestry has been

574 identified other hybrids of other species with such differences in mating system (Brandvain, Kenney,  
575 Flagel, Coop, & Sweigart, 2014; Pickup et al., 2019; Ruhsam, Hollingsworth, & Ennos, 2011).

576 Our identification of advanced generation backcrosses to *C. maritima* means that portions of the *C.*  
577 *edentula* genome have been retained in a largely *C. maritima* background (i.e. introgression), long  
578 after morphological evidence of hybridization has gone from a population. The role of selection and  
579 neutral evolutionary processes in governing patterns of introgression across the genome, however,  
580 remains to be investigated in this system. Theory suggests that regions of the genome that are not  
581 introgressed will harbour incompatibilities or a high number of additive deleterious alleles in the  
582 introgressing species (Harris & Nielsen, 2016; Juric, Aeschbacher, & Coop 2016). A greater fixation  
583 rate of weakly deleterious alleles is predicted in the *C. edentula* due to its higher level of inbreeding,  
584 and indeed, the low levels of genetic variability in this species relative to *C. maritima* support a lower  
585 effective population size in this species. Selection against a higher genetic load originating from *C.*  
586 *edentula* in hybrids should more rapidly lead to the reconstitution of a *C. maritima* genome following  
587 transient hybridization during range expansion. In line with the expectation of selection against  
588 selfing ancestry in outcrossers, in *Mimulus guttatus* (outcrossing) genomic regions with high  
589 recombination rates have reduced levels of ancestry from the selfing species *Mimulus nasutus*  
590 (Brandvain et al., 2014). However, several remarkable examples in plants have demonstrated the  
591 infusion of favorable alleles via hybridization (adaptive introgression), including the transfer of  
592 herbivore resistance in *Helianthus* (Whitney, Randell, & Rieseberg, 2006). Indeed, Cody and Cody  
593 (2004) proposed the intriguing possibility of adaptive introgression in this system but this remains to  
594 be investigated. Our identification of replicated patterns of hybridization, replacement and invasion  
595 in *Cakile* provide an exciting opportunity for further investigation of the beneficial and detrimental  
596 consequences of hybridization during range expansion.

## 597 **5 Conclusion**

598 For more than 40 years the mechanism by which an established invader (*C. edentula*) has been  
599 replaced by a subsequent introduced species (*C. maritima*) in three separate parts of the world has  
600 remained a puzzle (Barbour & Rodman, 1970). Here we confirm that, particularly in Australia, the  
601 apparent replacement of *C. edentula* by *C. maritima* is not complete and remnants of the *C. edentula*  
602 genome are evident in contemporary *C. maritima* populations. Furthermore, it appears that both early  
603 and later generation hybrids are at least partially fertile in natural populations and that there is a  
604 higher frequency of backcrossing to *C. maritima*. The patterns of hybridization we identified is  
605 consistent with the hypothesis that mating among these cross-compatible invaders has facilitated the  
606 establishment of the self-incompatible *C. maritima* whose range expansion may otherwise be limited  
607 due to Allee effects, as has been observed in other potential self-incompatible invaders (Uesugi,  
608 Baker, de Silva, Nurkowski, & Hodgins, 2020). The demographic benefits to *C. maritima* of  
609 hybridization during range expansion have been assessed through simulations (Mesgaran, et al.  
610 2016). However further experimental studies examining Allee effects in this self-incompatible  
611 species, and whether mixed-species populations can mitigate these effects, are needed. Likewise, the  
612 evolutionary consequence of hybridization for both species remains unclear, as is its role, if any, in  
613 the rapid expansion of one invader at the expense of another.

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627 The datasets generated and analyzed for this study can be found in the Sequence Read Archive  
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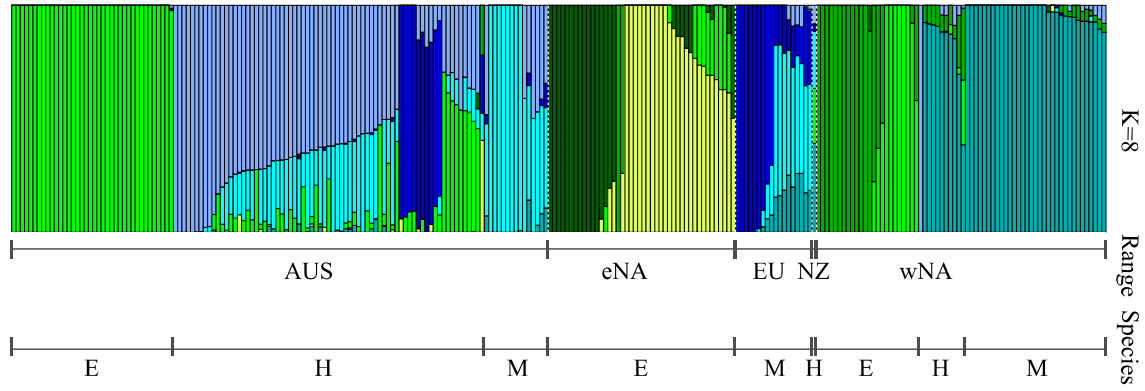


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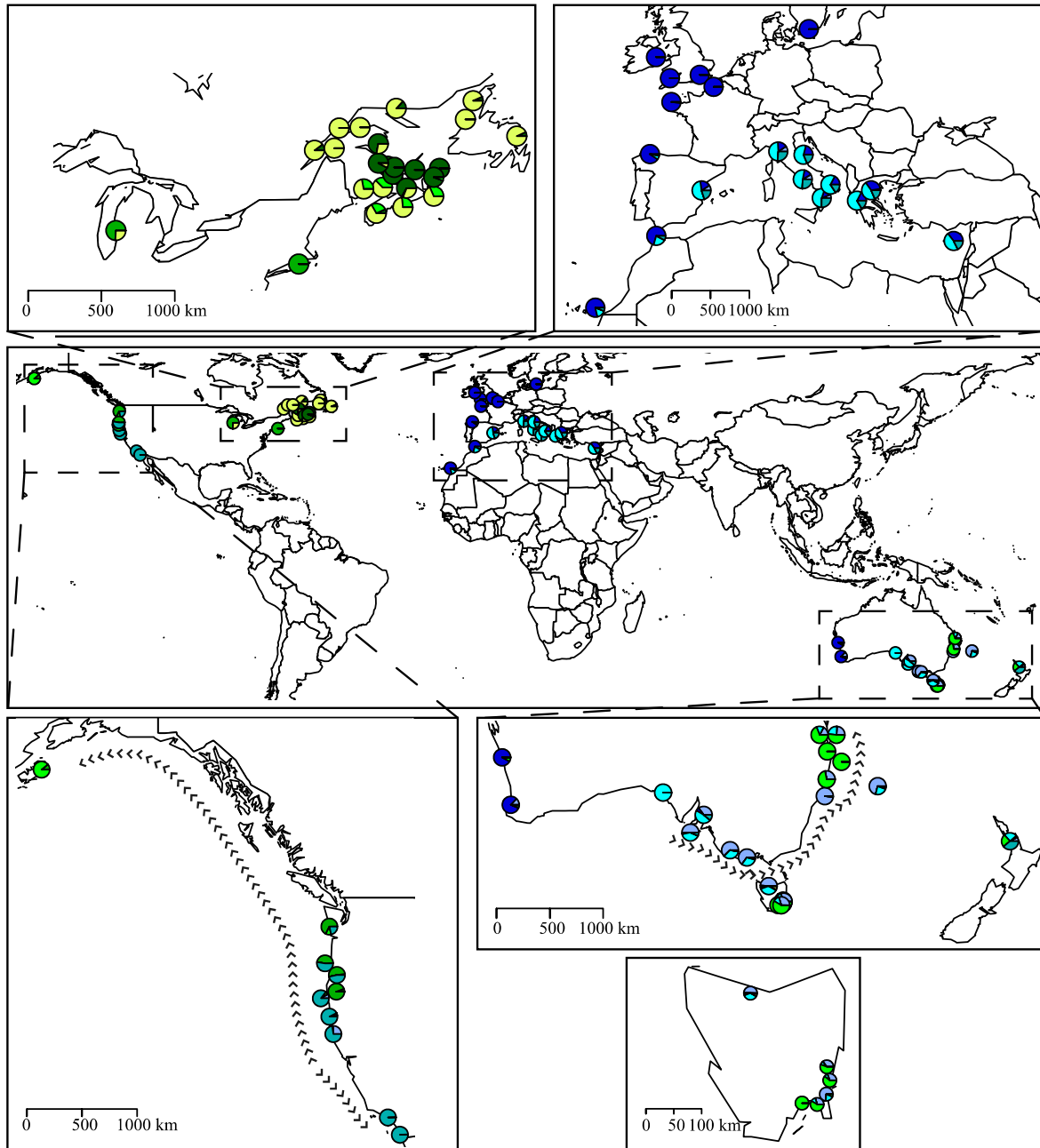
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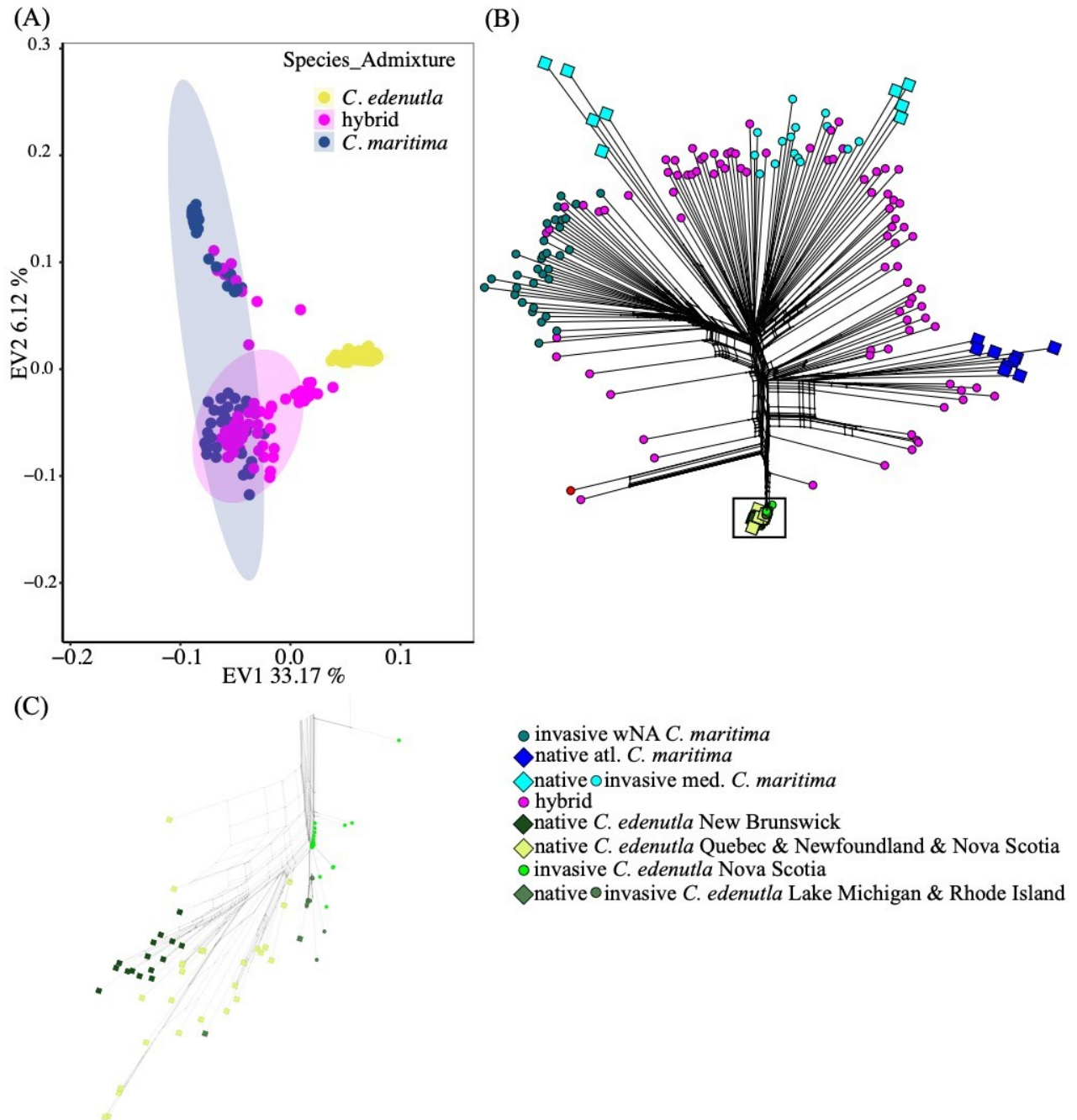
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839 Figure 1 Admixture results of the *unsupervised run* of the *global thinned dataset*. (A) A distruct plot  
840 for K=8. Individuals are ordered according to their cluster association of the *supervised run*.  
841 AUS=Australia, eNA= eastern North America, EU= Europe and northern Africa, NZ= New Zealand,  
842 wNA=western North America. E= *C. edentula*, M= *C. maritima*, H= Hybrids. (B) Population pie  
843 charts for K=8, Admixture proportions for each population are displayed. A global map is displayed  
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845 Colours correspond to the clusters in the distruct plot. Arrows indicates direction of invasion and  
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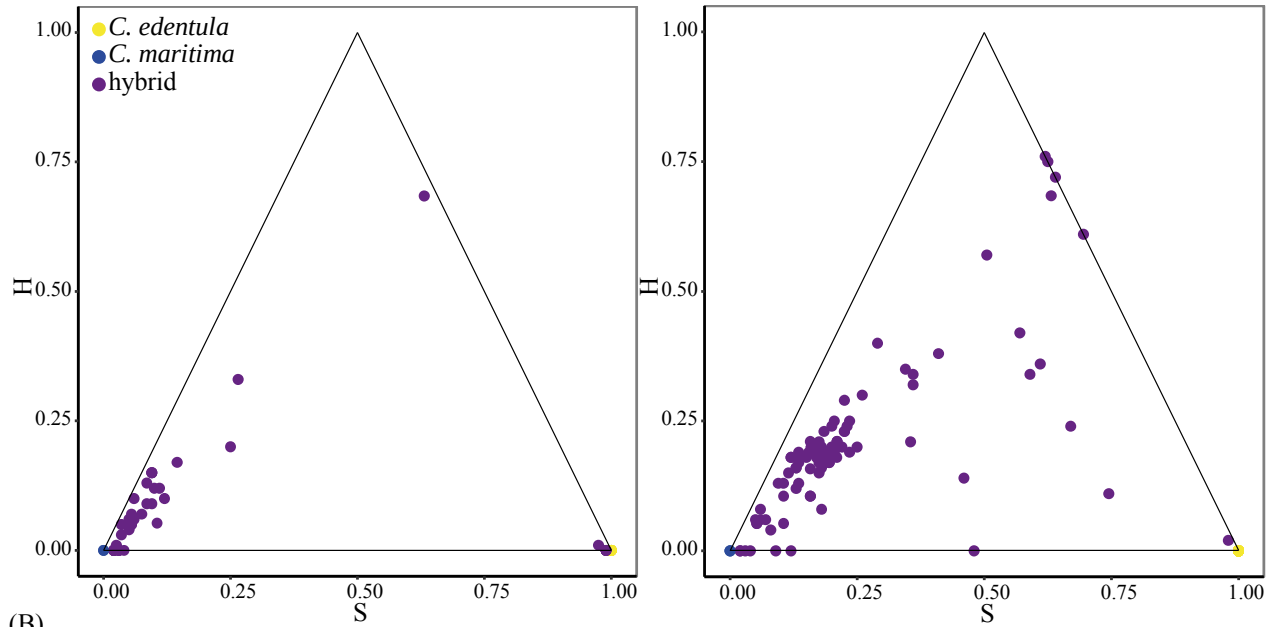


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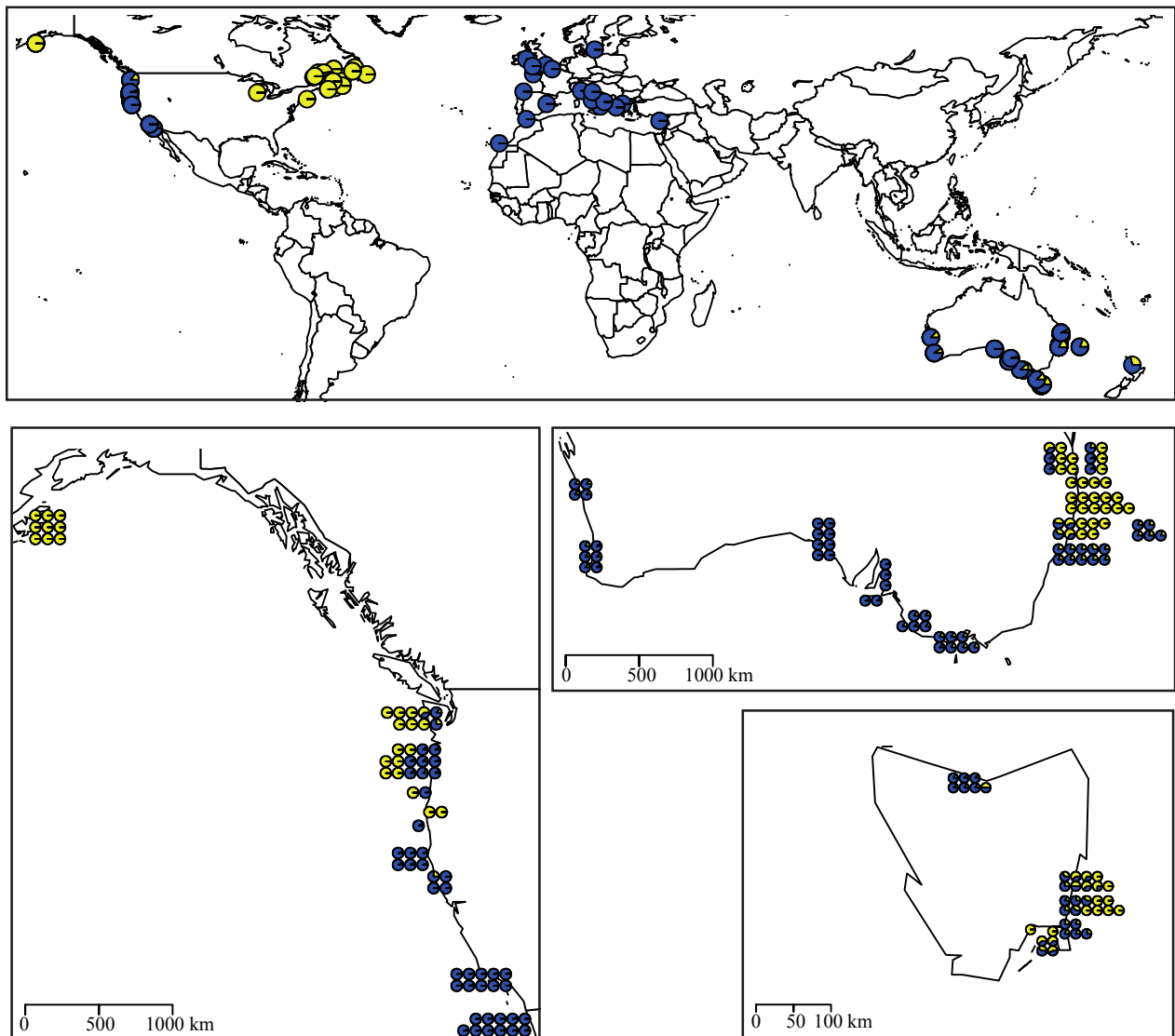
848 Figure 2 (A) Principal component analysis of the *global thinned dataset*. First two eigenvectors are  
849 presented. Individuals are coloured according to their species and hybrid status based on the

850 *supervised run* of Admixture. Ellipses indicate the 95% confidence range of the cluster. (B) Splitstree  
851 network of the *global Splitstree dataset*. Individuals are coloured according to their predominant  
852 cluster of the *unsupervised run* of Admixture cluster (K=8 of the *global thinned dataset*), with  
853 hybrids identified using the *supervised run*. The shapes indicate native vs. invasive range.

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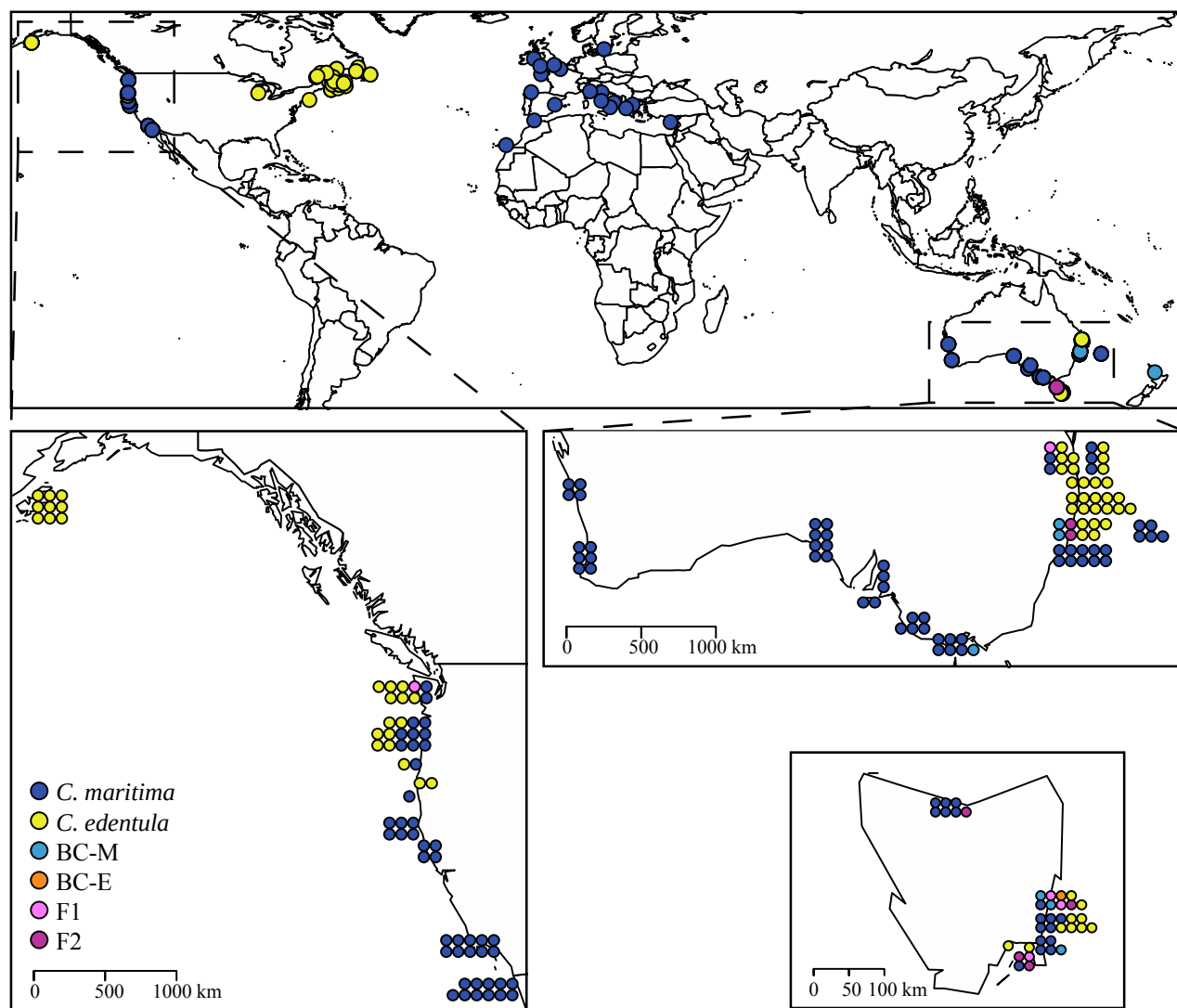


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855 Figure 3 Results of a hybridization assignment test implemented by Hlest using 471 SNPs (0.99,  
856 0.03). (A) Association of ancestry index (S) and interclass heterozygosity (H) are given for western  
857 North America (left) and Australia (right). Individuals are coloured according to their Hlest  
858 classification. For hybrids the continuous model was a better fit than the hybrid classes. (B) The  
859 geographic distribution of individuals and their S index; yellow= *C. edentula* proportion, blue= *C.*  
860 *maritima* proportion. A global map and close-ups of western North America, the Australian mainland  
861 and Tasmania are presented. Arrows indicates direction of invasion and direction of Spearman's test.

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864 Figure 4 Geographic distribution of the hybrid assignment test by NewHybrid. Individuals are  
865 coloured according to their NewHybrid classification. A global map and close-ups of western North  
866 America, the Australian mainland and Tasmania are presented. BC-E= backcross to *C. edentula*, BC-  
867 M= backcross to *C. maritima*.

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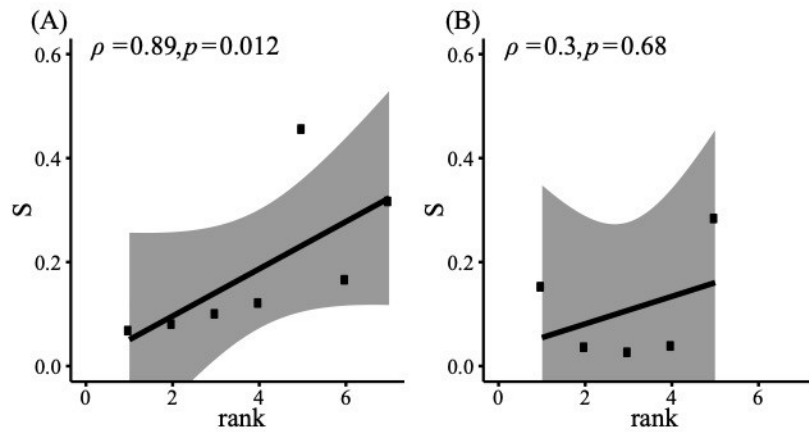


Figure 5 Results of the Spearman correlation test displayed (Table 2). The associations between population mean Q values of hybrids identified using the *supervised* Admixture run and the ranked order of populations from the first entry point of *C. maritima* (A) in eastern Australia and (B) western North America.

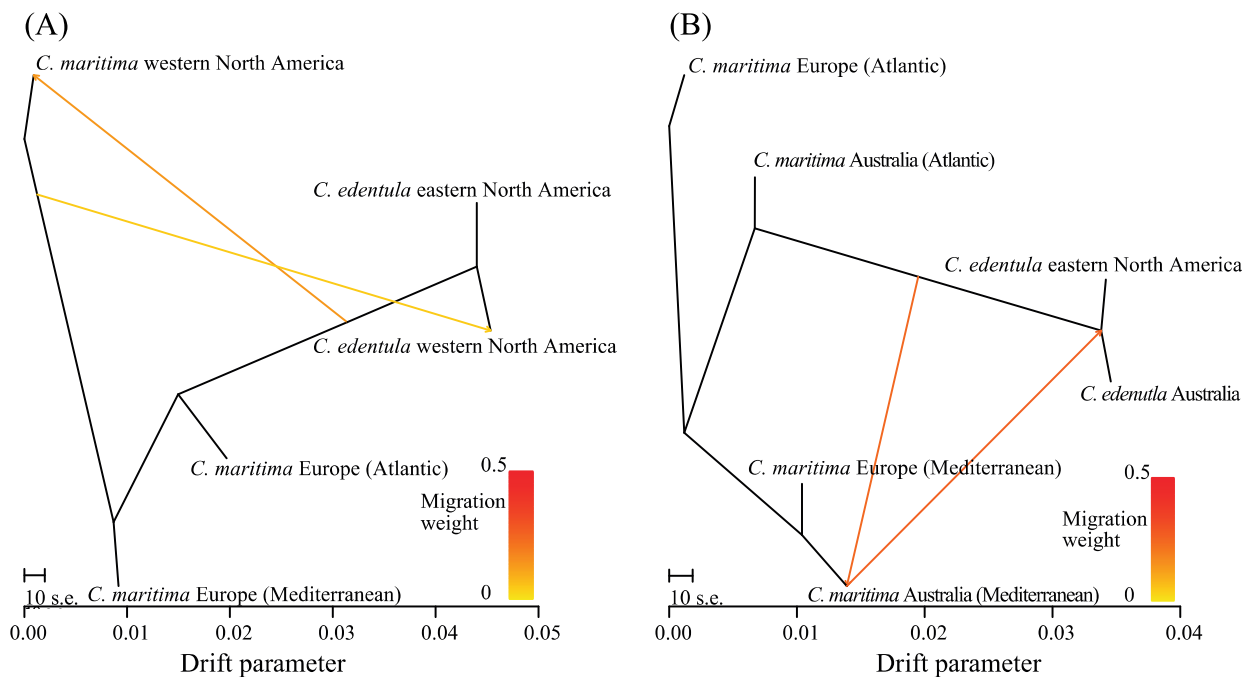


Figure 6 Maximum likelihood trees with two migration events generated by TreeMix. Native ranges and (A) western North America, (B) Australia. Individuals are grouped by species (identified morphologically), likely subspecies and geographic origin.

880 Table 1 Number of individuals and sampling locations as well as mean number of individuals sampled per sampling location in each range is  
881 presented.

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Range	Phenotype	Number of individuals	Number of sampling locations	Mean number of individuals sampled per sampling location
Eastern North America	<i>C. edentula</i>	55	26	2.03
	<i>C. lanceolata</i>	2	2	1
Europe and northern Africa	<i>C. maritima</i> subsp. <i>integrifolia</i> and <i>baltica</i>	12	12	1
	<i>C. maritima</i> subsp. <i>maritima</i>	12	12	1
	<i>C. maritima</i> subsp. <i>islandica</i>	1	1	1
Western North America	<i>C. edentula</i>	39	4	4
	<i>C. maritima</i>	79	10	5.9
	Hybrids	2	1 (in mixed)	/
	Unknown	1	0 (in <i>C. edentula</i> )	/
	Mixed populations		3	15.6



	Total	120	17	7.05
<b>New Zealand</b>	Unknown	1	1	1
<b>Australia</b>	<i>C. edentula</i>	43	3	7.33
	<i>C. maritima</i>	110	11	8
	Hybrids	14	5 (in mixed)	/
	Mixed population		7	8.4
	Total	167	21	7.95

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885 Table 2 Results of the Spearman's rank correlation test in the introduced ranges examining the association between species ancestry for *C.*  
886 *edentula*, *C. maritima* and hybrids or hybrids and the rank order of sampling locations based on the distance along the coastline from the  
887 first recorded case of *C. maritima* in western North America (San Francisco) or south-east mainland of Australia (Adelaide). Spearman's  
888 Rank Correlation Coefficient  $\rho$  and p values are presented for correlation between Q-value of the *supervised run* of the *C. edentula* cluster  
889 for each population in western North America and Australia and correlation between ancestry index (S) (Figure 3) and rank order of  
890 sampling locations.

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Range	Species	# populations (# individuals)	Q		# populations (# individuals)	S	
			$\rho$	p		$\rho$	p
<b>south-east Australia</b>	<i>C. edentula</i> , <i>C. maritima</i> , hybrids	10 (65)	0.815	<b>0.004</b>	10 (65)	0.815	<b>0.004</b>
	Hybrids	7 (30)	0.893	<b>0.012</b>	8 (38)	0.905	<b>0.005</b>

<b>western North America</b>	<i>C. edentula</i> , <i>C. maritima</i> , hybrids	10 (68)	0.511	0.132	10 (68)	0.576	0.088
<b>all sampling locations</b>	Hybrids	5 (11)	0.300	0.683	10 (50)	0.467	0.213
<b>western North America</b>	<i>C. edentula</i> , <i>C. maritima</i> , hybrids	8 (47)	0.719	<b>0.045</b>	8 (47)	0.810	<b>0.022</b>
<b>north of San Francisco</b>	Hybrids	5 (11)	0.300	0.683	7 (30)	0.679	0.110

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893 Table 3 Results of the  $f_3$  statistic using TreeMix. Tests of admixture in the invasive range of Australia and western North America were done  
894 separately and both were based on three groups (hybrids, *C. edentula*, *C. maritima*). Hybrid classification was done according to the  
895 *supervised run* of Admixture. The  $f_3$  statistic, the standard error of  $f_3$  and the Z-score are reported.

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Range	Target	Source 1	Source 2	$f_3$	Standard error of $f_3$	Z-score
<b>Australia</b>	Australian hybrids	Australian <i>C. edentula</i>	Australian <i>C. maritima</i>	<b>-0.0058</b>	0.0002	<b>-31.9723</b>
<b>w. North America</b>	w. North American hybrids	w. North America <i>C. edentula</i>	w. North American <i>C. maritima</i>	<b>-0.0049</b>	0.0002	<b>-23.2228</b>

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