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Attached please find our manuscript “*Admixture in Africanized honey bees (Apis mellifera) from Panamá to San Diego, California (U.S.A.)*” for consideration of publication as an original article. In it, we assess the nuclear genomic admixture, mitochondrial origins, and genetic diversity measures of honey bees from four populations stretching from the isthmus of Panamá to San Diego, California. The Africanized honey bee (AHB) is the product of human-mediated hybridization between recognized ancestral lineages of honey bees drawn from western and eastern Europe, the Middle East, and the African continent. *The AHB represents a hybrid form that has displaced pre-existing, purely European, honey bees everywhere in the New World from its site of origination in Brazil to the current limits of its range in Argentina and California. Our study is unique in assessing genomic characteristics of several populations previously unstudied by NGS methods and in assessing the significant contribution of the Middle Eastern honey bee lineage to current honey bee populations. Our paper should be of interest to a wide range of evolutionary ecologists interested in hybridization as a creative force in evolution and in the genetic basis of success of invasive species. Additionally, Africanized honey bees are a species of significant economic and public interests due to its role as a commercial pollinator and concern over its fearsome nest defense behavior which has caused the popular press to brand it the “killer bee”.*

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Admixture in Africanized honey bees (*Apis mellifera*) from Panamá to San Diego, California (U.S.A.)

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1 **ABSTRACT**

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3 The Africanized honey bee (AHB) is a New World amalgamation of several subspecies of the western
4 honey bee (*Apis mellifera*), a diverse taxon grouped into four major biogeographic lineages: A (African),
5 M (western European), C (eastern European), and O (Middle Eastern). In 1956, accidental release of
6 experimentally bred “Africanized” hybrids from a research apiary in Sao Paulo, Brazil initiated a hybrid
7 species expansion that now extends from northern Argentina to northern California (U.S.A.). Here, we
8 assess nuclear admixture and mitochondrial ancestry in 15 bees from each of four regions across this
9 expansive range: the Isthmus of Panamá; Guanacaste, Costa Rica, Tapachula, Mexico; and San Diego,
10 U.S.A to assess ancestry of AHB several decades following initial introduction and test the prediction that
11 African ancestry decreases with increasing latitude. We find that AHB nuclear genomes from Central
12 America and Mexico have majority African ancestry (Mexico, 79%; Costa Rica 90%; and Panamá 94%)
13 with varying contributions from western and eastern European lineages. AHB from San Diego (CA) show
14 markedly lower African ancestry (40%) with substantial genomic contributions from all four major honey
15 bee lineages. The mitochondria of all bees sampled in Costa Rica and Panamá originated in Africa. The
16 majority (11) of bees sampled in Mexico carried African mitochondria with the remainder carrying eastern
17 European mitochondria. In the San Diego population, mitochondria from all four lineages are present.
18 Genetic diversity measures from all New World populations are similar and exceed those of ancestral
19 forms. The unique genetic makeup of the San Diego honey bee population makes it a rich source of
20 genetic material for honey bee breeding.

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22 **Keywords**

23 Africanized honey bees, *Apis mellifera*, admixture, genetic diversity, hybridization

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26 INTRODUCTION

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28 Hybridization, the interbreeding of distinct genetic lineages, has long complicated taxonomic

29 boundaries and challenged the perception of species as discrete taxonomic and evolutionary units.

30 Many early evolutionary biologists considered hybridization an infrequent and abnormal event of

31 limited evolutionary importance, resulting from the breakdown of natural isolating mechanisms

32 (Dobzhansky, 1936; Mayr, 1942; reviewed in Barton, 2001). This was an attitude largely

33 espoused by animal researchers while plant biologists, conscious of the high frequency of

34 hybridization leading to viable offspring in plants, viewed introgression as a creator of genetic

35 novelty upon which selection could act (Stebbins, 1950; Grant, 1981; Suarez-Gonzalez, Lexer, &

36 Cronk, 2018).

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38 Advances in sequencing technology and ancestry estimation have facilitated the identification of

39 introgression, exposing heretofore undiscovered hybridization with unexpected high frequency.

40 The recombination of distinct genetic lineages generates novel mosaic genomes on which

41 selection can act (Anderson & Stebbins, 1954; Hedrick, 2013). At times, advanced generation

42 admixture can be detrimental, resulting in hybrid breakdown with fitness loss due to nuclear-

43 nuclear or nuclear-mitochondrial incompatibilities (Dobzhansky, 1936; Muller, 1942; Burton &

44 Barreto, 2012). However, hybridization and recombination also have the potential to produce

45 evolutionary novelty and may lead to the creation of new evolutionary units (reviewed in

46 Dittrich-Reed & Fitzpatrick, 2013). Hybridization in the animal kingdom is now recognized as a

47 common and creative evolutionary force in processes of adaptation and diversification (Barton,
48 2001; Abbott *et al.*, 2013).

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50 Admixture as a driver of adaptation and diversification has been widely studied across diverse
51 taxonomic groups. Sunflower (*Helianthus*) hybrids can colonize and thrive in habitats neither
52 parental species can occupy (Rieseberg *et al.*, 2003; Whitney *et al.*, 2015). Admixture
53 jumpstarted the spectacular diversification and adaptive radiation recognized in African cichlids
54 (Cichlidae) (Seehausen, 2004). Admixture between extinct Denisovans and ancient *Homo*
55 *Sapiens* facilitated the transfer of high-altitude adaptation genes found in contemporary Tibetan
56 peoples (Huerta-Sanchez *et al.*, 2014), an adaptation apparently paralleled in admixture between
57 highland wolves and domesticated highland dogs (e.g. Tibetan mastiffs) (VonHoldt, Fan,
58 Vecchy, & Wayne, 2017). Of particular interest here, are the evolutionary dynamics that emerge
59 from human-mediated hybridization (HMH), a phenomenon of increasing frequency resulting
60 from either accidental or intentional introductions of biota to geographical areas beyond their
61 native ranges (reviewed in Grabenstein & Taylor, 2018).

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63 The Africanized honey bee (AHB) is one of the most well-documented examples of human-
64 mediated hybridization. The western honey bee (*Apis mellifera*), well-known for its critical role
65 as a pollinator in commercial agriculture, was first introduced from Europe to the American
66 continents in the early 1500s. *Apis mellifera* is a diverse taxon, comprised of over thirty
67 recognized subspecies clustering into four major lineages based on genetic, geographic, and
68 morphometric data: A (African), M (western European), C (eastern European), and O (Middle
69 Eastern) (Ruttner, 1988). Substantial variation in behavior, morphology, and genetics exists

70 across subspecies, even within the overarching clades. The eastern European subspecies are
71 particularly favored in modern beekeeping due to their gentle nature and high fecundity while the
72 African subspecies *A. m. scutellata* is disfavored due to the intensity of its nest defense behavior
73 and propensity to abscond (abandon the nest en masse and move to another) (Ruttner, 1988).

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75 Early honey bee importations were largely western European (M) and eastern European (C) in
76 origin; the former dominating the 16th to 18th century introductions while the latter dominated
77 later introductions (reviewed in Schneider, DeGrandi-Hoffman, & Smith, 2004). Honey bees
78 from these clades are often generalized as European honey bees (EHB). Eastern European (Clade
79 C) honey bees are now the variety of choice in commercial agriculture in the U.S.A., where
80 pollination services of honey bees are valued at an estimated \$14.5 billion (Morse & Calderone,
81 2000). Middle Eastern honey bees (Clade O) were introduced to the United States in the late
82 1880s and 1890s in much more limited quantities and their importation was phased out by the
83 end of the 19th century in favor of other subspecies (Sheppard, 1989). Surprisingly, mitochondria
84 of Middle Eastern origin continue to persist in the feral honey bee gene pool in the U.S.A.
85 (Magnus & Szalanski, 2010; Kono & Kohn, 2015). African (A) subspecies were largely excluded
86 from importation with the exception of the Egyptian subspecies *A. m. lamarkii* which was
87 introduced to North America at low frequency (Schiff & Sheppard, 1993).

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89 In 1956, 47 queens of the African subspecies (*A. m. scutellata*) were imported to Sao Paulo,
90 Brazil for experimental breeding in an effort to create a honey bee better adapted to the tropical
91 conditions (reviewed in Schneider *et al.*, 2004). Researchers hoped to forge a honey bee that
92 combined the tropical hardiness of *A. m. scutellata* with the honey production capabilities and

93 gentleness of the popular European subspecies. Admixed “Africanized” honey bees (AHB) were
94 accidentally released from the experimental apiary and spread into the surrounding countryside
95 (reviewed in Schneider *et al.*, 2004). Their subsequent expansion across the American continents
96 over the past 60+ years is considered one of the “most spectacular biological invasions of all
97 time” (Pinto, Rubink, Patton, Coulsen, & Johnston, 2005).

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99 Africanized honey bees spread across South and Central America, hybridizing with and
100 displacing pre-existing populations of European honey bees, resulting in a rapid replacement of
101 European ancestry by African ancestry in honey bee populations (Lobo, Del Lama, & Mestriner,
102 1989; Smith, Taylor, & Brown, 1989; Hall & McMichael, 2001; reviewed in Schneider *et al.*,
103 2004). AHBs reached their southern range limit in Argentina in the 1970s at approximately 34°
104 south latitude; presumably stopped from advancing further by the colder climate (Taylor &
105 Spivak, 1984). The AHB reached Panamá by 1982, Costa Rica by 1986, Mexico by 1989, Texas
106 by 1990, and California by 1994 (Kim & Oguro, 1999). Currently, honey bees with African
107 mitochondria have been reported as far north as Sacramento and Solana counties in northern
108 California, albeit at low frequencies (Kono & Kohn, 2015; Lin, McBroome, Rehman, & Johnson,
109 2017), while genomic African ancestry is likewise low or absent in bees from these higher
110 latitudes (Calfee, Agra, Palacio, Ramirez, & Coop, 2020).

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112 Replacement by AHB of pre-existing feral populations of European origin suggests strong
113 ecological advantages for this hybrid form in the habitats it now occupies. Many aspects of the
114 AHB’s behavior are largely consistent with that of its African ancestor and may contribute to its
115 ecological advantage. Generally, AHB exhibit greater reproductive rates than EHB; converting

116 pollen into brood at more rapid rates and dedicating more comb area to brood rearing (McNally
117 & Schneider, 1992a, 1992b, 1996; reviewed in Fewell & Bertram, 2002). In the Neotropics, AHB
118 colonies can increase 16-fold per year compared to 3- to 6-fold by EHB colonies (Otis 1991). In
119 addition, AHB exhibit lower susceptibility to *Varroa* mite infestation of both brood and workers
120 (Guzman-Novoa, Sanchez, Page Jr., & Garcia, 1996; Fewell & Bertram, 2002). Of particular
121 public safety concern is the high degree of AHB nest defense. The AHB deposits more stings on
122 a target, responds faster and in greater numbers, and pursues any perceived threat further than
123 European forms (Collins, Rinderer, Harbo, & Bolten, 1982; DeGrandi-Hoffman, Collins, Martin,
124 Schmidt, & Spangler, 1997;). This elevated level of nest defense has motivated the popular press
125 to brand the AHB as the “killer bee”. (Winston, 1992; reviewed in Breed, Guzmán-Novoa, &
126 Hunt, 2004).

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128 The genomes of AHB are thought to be predominantly African in origin; except at the northern
129 and southern range limits in Argentina and California, where the proportion of African ancestry
130 decreases (Whitfield *et al.*, 2006; Nelson *et al.*, 2017; Calfee *et al.*, 2020). Early studies assessing
131 Africanization used either mitochondrial or limited numbers of nuclear markers to assess
132 admixture (Del Lama, Lobo, Soares, & Del Lama, 1990; Schiff, Sheppard, Loper, & Shimanuki,
133 1994; Quezada-Euan & Hinsull, 1995). The level of African ancestry in honey bee populations
134 has been assessed by next generation sequencing (NGS) analyses utilizing thousands of single
135 nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs) only in Brazil, Argentina, and the southern and western U.S.A.
136 (Whitfield *et al.*, 2006; Nelson, Wallberg, Simoes, Lawson, & Webster, 2017; Cridland *et al.*,
137 2017; Calfee *et al.*, 2020).

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139 Similar to NGS assessments from Brazilian populations, feral honey bees in Texas and Arizona
140 reached high levels (63 – 75%) of African ancestry in just a few years after arrival of the first
141 AHB (Rubink, Luévano-Martinez, Sugden, Wilson, & Collins, 1996; Pinto *et al.*, 2005; Rabe *et*
142 *al.*, 2005; Whitfield *et al.*, 2006; Rangel *et al.*, 2016; Bozek *et al.*, 2018). In Southern California,
143 Africanization is widespread in feral honey bees, although African genomic content is reported to
144 be lower (30-40%) (Kono & Kohn, 2015; Cridland *et al.*, 2017; Lin *et al.*, 2017; Calfee *et al.*,
145 2020.

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147 To date there are no whole-genome ancestry estimates for AHB between Brazil and the southern
148 United States. In addition, previous genomic studies have usually not assessed the contribution of
149 the Middle Eastern (O) lineage to the genomes of AHB (but see Whitfield *et al.*, 2006), despite
150 the fact that the O mitochondrial type is known to persist in the population of at least some feral
151 bee populations including Southern California (Kono & Kohn, 2015; Magnus & Szalanski,
152 2010). Whether and how AHB ancestry varies across geographic space (and time since
153 hybridization), requires a comprehensive examination of AHB admixture throughout its
154 geographic range and would shed light on admixture dynamics in a human-mediated invasive
155 expansion event of great breadth. Here we sequence 60 whole genomes of Africanized honey
156 bees collected from four regions separated across a distance of ~6,000 km: the isthmus of
157 Panamá; Guanacaste NP, Costa Rica; Chiapas, Mexico; and San Diego County, CA, U.S.A. To
158 our knowledge this is the first time that contributions from the four major clades of the western
159 honey bee have been estimated for both nuclear and mitochondrial genomes in AHBs across a
160 broad geographic range. The varied sampled sites offer an interesting temporal dimension as each
161 site also reflects a distinct time since initial contact between resident European and advancing

162 Africanized forms. The AHB offers a unique opportunity to study a massive hybrid invasion and
163 the patterns of genomic admixture and genetic diversity that emerge across both space and time.
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165 **MATERIALS AND METHODS**

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167 **Sample Collection**

168 We collected western honey bees ($n = 15/\text{country}$) from sites in each of four countries: Panamá;
169 Guanacaste National Park, Costa Rica; Chiapas, Mexico; San Diego county, California, U.S.A.
170 (Table 1). All samples were collected in June 2015 – August 2016 by hand-netting. Honey bees
171 in Panamá were collected with an insect net while they foraged either on natural vegetation in
172 rural areas, or on street vendor syrup dispensers in urban areas. Honey bees were collected across
173 the isthmus of Panamá from five sites, each separated by > 5 km: Panamá City, Gamboa, Barro
174 Colorado Island (BCI), Santa Rita Arriba, and Cólón. Individuals from Costa Rica were collected
175 from the Santa Rosa sector of Guanacaste National Park in northwestern Costa Rica. These bees
176 were collected from a localized region and likely originate from a small number of feral colonies.
177 Honey bees from Mexico were collected from an apiary in the southern state of Chiapas, with
178 each bee collected from a different hive. Honey bees from San Diego County, California, U.S.A.
179 were workers collected while foraging on flowers. San Diego bees were collected across 15 sites
180 each separated by > 5 km so that each likely represents a worker from a different colony. The
181 furthest collection sites were separated by 65 km. Collection sites ranged from urban to rural
182 settings. Due to the presence of hobbyist and agricultural beekeeping we do not rule out the

183 possibility that the captured honey bees were from managed rather than feral hives. However,
184 most honey bee foragers in San Diego are from feral hives (Kono & Kohn, 2015, and see results).
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186 **Reference Honey Bee Genomes**

187 Reference honey bee genomes were obtained by downloading genomes sequenced by Wallberg
188 *et al.*, (2014) and deposited in the NCBI (Project ID: PRJNA236426). Reference genomes were
189 generated by whole genome sequencing on a SOLiD 5500xl platform to produce 75-bp reads
190 with an average coverage of $4.4X \pm 1.5X$ per individual (Wallberg *et al.*, 2014 supplementary
191 material). For the African (A) clade, we downloaded 10 genomes of the subspecies *Apis mellifera*
192 *scutellata*, the sub-Saharan subspecies imported to Brazil. For the western European (M) clade,
193 we downloaded 20 genomes: *Apis mellifera mellifera* (n = 10) and *Apis mellifera iberiensis* (n =
194 10). For the eastern European clade (C) we downloaded 20 genomes: *Apis mellifera carnica* (n =
195 10) and *Apis mellifera ligustica* (n = 10). For the Middle Eastern (O) clade, we downloaded 20
196 genomes: *Apis mellifera anatoliaca* (n = 10) and *Apis mellifera syriaca* (n = 10) (see Table 1,
197 S1). In total we used a panel of 70 reference honey bee genomes representing the four major
198 honey bee clades and spanning 7 subspecies.

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200 **DNA Extraction & Sequencing**

201 We extracted DNA from crushed heads of sampled honey bees using the standard protocol of the
202 Qiagen DNAeasy Blood & Tissue extraction kit. DNA purity and appropriate concentration for
203 sequencing were validated with a Qubit fluorometer prior to submission for library preparation.
204 The DNA was submitted for DNA KAPA library construction and whole-genome sequencing at
205 the Institute for Genomic Medicine (IGM) at UC San Diego. Individuals were multiplexed and

206 sequenced across three lanes of an Illumina HiSeq4000 platform using 100-bp paired end reads.

207 Average genomic coverage per individual was $29X \pm 1.2x$.

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209 **Sequence Filtering & Alignment**

210 Raw reads generated from sequencing, and those downloaded from NCBI, were trimmed and

211 filtered for quality and length using a PoPoolation (Kofler *et al.*, 2011) perl script (trim-fastq.pl)

212 (settings: `-fastq-type sanger --quality-threshold 25 --min-length 40`). Filtered reads were aligned

213 to the Amel_4.5 reference genome assembled by The Honey Bee Genome Sequencing

214 Consortium (2006) using the BWA v0.7.12 bwa mem algorithm under default settings (Li &

215 Durban, 2009). Reads were then sorted, merged, and filtered again for mapping quality (quality

216 score < 20 were discarded) using Samtools (Li, 2011).

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218 **Variant Calling and Genotype Likelihood Estimation**

219 We used the program ANGSD v0.930 (Kornliussen *et al.*, 2014) to call variant sites and estimate

220 genotype likelihoods (settings: `--doGlf 2 --doMajorMinor 1 --SNP_pval 1e-6 --doMaf 1`). All

221 reference and sample honey bee genomes were analyzed together (total genomes = 130) using

222 14,705,135 variant sites. Genotype likelihoods have been shown to be robust to low-coverage

223 sequencing data (Skotte, Korneliussen, & Albrechtsen, 2013; Kornliussen *et al.*, 2014) such as

224 those of the Wallberg *et al.*, (2014) reference genomes.

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226 **Admixture and Principal Components Analysis (PCA)**

227 For admixture analysis we used the program NGSadmix (Skotte *et al.*, 2013), which uses a

228 genotype-likelihood based approach that factors in uncertainty associated with next-generation

229 sequencing and has been shown to have good performance even with low-coverage data. We ran
230 NGSadmix using the BEAGLE genotype likelihood files created by ANGSD with K values
231 ranging from 2 to 6 (K = number of assumed genetic clusters). Here we focus on the results from
232 K = 4 genetic clusters because we are interested in assessing the contributions of the four
233 ancestral lineages (A, M, C, and O) historically imported into the Americas. We used R (R Core
234 Team 2014) to graph admixture estimates. We used PCAngsd (Kornliussen *et al.*, 2014) to
235 conduct a principal components analysis of all SNPs, and graphed the resulting PCA using the
236 eigen function in R (R Core Team, 2014).

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238 **Mitochondrial Sequence Assembly and Phylogenetic Analysis**

239 Filtered reads (described previously) of all 60 sampled honey bees were aligned to a
240 mitochondrial reference genome from an individual of subspecies *Apis mellifera ligustica*
241 sequenced by Crozier & Crozier (1993). We then called variants using samtools v1.10v (mpileup
242 function) and used bcftools v1.10.2 (Li & Durbin, 2009; Li 2011) to extract the consensus
243 sequence and convert to FASTQ with the vcfutils.pl script. We downloaded 12 previously
244 assembled mitochondrial sequences from *A. mellifera* subspecies representing all four major
245 lineages from NCBI to compare with our samples (listed in Table 2).

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247 FASTQ files of mitochondrial sequences from all 73 honey bees (13 reference honey bees and 60
248 AHB samples) were aligned using MAFFT (Kato, Rozewicki, & Yamada, 2019), on the
249 XSEDE via Ciper 2.0 Science Gateway. We used MEGAX (Kumar, Stecher, Li, Knyaz, &
250 Tamura, 2018) and complete deletion of gaps and missing data to create a neighbor-joining

251 phylogeny under a Kimura 2-parameter model to compute evolutionary distances. We then ran
252 2000 bootstrap replicates to estimate confidence in the resulting phylogeny.

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254 **Measures of Genetic Diversity**

255 To assess allelic diversity, we calculated estimations of both pairwise theta ($\hat{\pi}$), based on the
256 number of mean pairwise differences between sequences, and Watterson's theta ($\hat{\theta}_w$), based on
257 the measure of segregating sites for each sampled and reference population using ANGSD v.928
258 (Kornliussen *et al.*, 2014). Using only sites in which at least 50% of individuals in a population
259 provided data, we estimated the folded site frequency spectrum (SFS) across the entire genome
260 using the reference honey bee genome as the ancestral state. We then calculated and averaged
261 thetas per site, including invariant sites, using ANGSD's realSFS program. To ensure that our
262 diversity estimates were not overly affected by the difference in coverage between our reference
263 and newly-sequenced genomes, we calculated an additional measure of pairwise nucleotide
264 diversity ($\hat{\pi}_c$) using only higher-confidence SNPs with >5% minor allele frequency (MAF) in the
265 total sample, following a pipeline described in Calfee *et al.*, (2020). Using ANGSD, we first
266 identified a set of SNPs with > 5% minor allele frequency in the total sample and inferred the
267 major and minor alleles at those SNPs using observed base counts (-doMajorMinor 2 -doCounts
268 1 -doMaf 8 -minMAF 0.05). We excluded SNPs where more than half of individuals in the total
269 sample did not have coverage. Using this list of SNPs (n = 5,588,252) as a reference, we
270 calculated allele frequencies for each population based on observed base counts in ANGSD (-
271 doMajorMinor 3 -doCounts 1 -doMaf 8). From these population allele frequencies, we calculated
272 the average pairwise diversity per SNP, correcting for small sample sizes. To account for

273 invariant sites in our estimate of nucleotide diversity (π) we weighted our measure of π per-SNP
274 by the genome SNP density (total number of SNPs / total positions in the genome). For each
275 measure of genome-wide nucleotide diversity, we estimated standard errors by using a block-
276 jackknife procedure, treating each chromosome as a block and re-computing nucleotide diversity
277 with sequential exclusion of each chromosome.

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280 **RESULTS**

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282 **Global genomic ancestry in Africanized honey bee samples**

283 As expected, $K = 4$ clustering clearly separates the 70 reference honey bees from Wallberg *et al.*,
284 (2014) into four major honey bee lineages (A, C, M & O) with limited evidence of admixture
285 between these groups (Figure 1). *Apis mellifera syriaca* (O) is an exception, with ~20% of its
286 ancestry attributed to the African clade, consistent with results found by Wallberg *et al.*, (2014).
287 For additional analyses ($K = 2 - 6$), see Figure S1. Two individuals from the western European
288 clade (M) (one from subspecies *A. m. mellifera* and one from subspecies *A. m. iberiensis*) showed
289 significant ancestry from other clades (Clades C and O, respectively), a finding also consistent
290 with Wallberg *et al.*, (2014) (Figure 1). We also observed a small proportion of O ancestry
291 (~10%) across all *A. m. scutellata*.

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293 The nuclear genomes of honey bees from Central America and Mexico were heavily Africanized.

294 Honey bees from Panamá averaged 94% (SE 0.23%) African (A) ancestry with the remaining 6%

295 (SE 0.20%) of their genomes derived from the western European (M) lineage. In Costa Rica,
296 honey bees averaged 90% (SE 1.1%) African (A), 6% (SE 0.059%) western European (M) and
297 4% (SE 0.57%) eastern European (C). In Mexico, honey bees averaged 79% (SE 0.62%) African
298 (A), 12% (SE 0.41%) western European (M) and 8% (SE 0.35%) eastern European (C) (Figure 1,
299 Table 2).

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301 In contrast to the honey bees of Central America and Mexico, genomes of all 15 honeybees
302 sampled from San Diego (California, U.S.A.) exhibited a diverse admixture of all four major
303 clades (A, M, C, and O). Ancestry of San Diego bees averaged 40% (SE 1.2%) African (A), 16%
304 (SE 0.43%) western European (M), 35% (SE 1.2%) eastern European (C) and 9% (SE 0.22%)
305 Middle Eastern (O) (Figure 1). African (A) ancestry of San Diego bees averaged was far lower
306 than that found in bees from any of the other sampled sites and contributions from the eastern
307 European (C) lineage were higher than all other populations sampled. All San Diego bees
308 possessed substantial Middle Eastern (O) ancestry while all other sites sampled had negligible or
309 no ancestry from this clade (Figure 1, Table 2).

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311 **Principal Component Analysis (PCA)**

312 The principal components analysis of the 70 reference honey bees representing the four major
313 honey bee clades (A, M, C, O) and the 60 honey bees we sampled from Panamá to San Diego
314 separated populations by clade and sampling site (Figure 2). The ancestral honey bee lineages
315 were widely separated from each other on the first two principal component axes. Bees from the
316 four sampled sites (Panamá; Costa Rica; Mexico; San Diego, CA, U.S.A.) separated into distinct
317 clusters with the exception of partial overlap among the bees from Panamá and Costa Rica. Bees

318 from Mexico, Costa Rica, and Panamá clustered near African (A clade) honey bees. San Diego
319 bees formed a more distant cluster relative to bees from Mexico, Costa Rica, and Panamá, falling
320 more equidistantly between the A, M, C, and O groups, consistent with their ancestry drawing
321 more evenly from all four groups.

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323 **Mitochondrial Ancestry in Africanized honey bee samples**

324 Each mitochondrial sequence from our sampled honey bees groups strongly with reference
325 mitochondria from one of the four ancestral lineages (A, M, C, O) in a midpoint rooted
326 phylogeny (Figure 3, Table 3). Notably, mitochondrial sequences from subspecies *A. m.*
327 *anatoliaca* (Clade O) grouped loosely with subspecies *A. m. ligustica* and *A. m. carnica* (both C).
328 *A. m. anatoliaca* has previously been shown to possess C type mitochondria although it remains
329 characterized as an O clade honey bee due to similarities of morphological characters and nuclear
330 markers (Smith, Slaymaker, Palmer, & Kaftanoglu, 1997; Palmer, Smith, & Kaftanoglu, 2000;
331 Wallberg *et al.*, 2014).

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333 **Genetic Diversity**

334 All four sampled populations have similar levels of genetic diversity and values for admixed
335 AHB populations are consistently higher than those estimated in reference populations (Table 5).
336 Among ancestral lineages, the African lineage is the most diverse, followed by the Middle
337 Eastern (O) lineage, the Western European (M) lineage and lastly, the Eastern European lineage
338 (C).

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340 **DISCUSSION**

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342 Africanized honey bee populations exhibit distinct genomic admixture profiles across their
343 Central and North American range, with African ancestry decreasing with increasing latitude
344 (Figures 1 & 2; Table 2). Despite considerable differences among populations, within each
345 population there is little variation in ancestry among individuals. Thus, AHB populations within
346 countries appear to be well-mixed hybrid swarms. Honey bees from Panamá ($\bar{x} = 94 \% \pm 0.23\%$)
347 and Costa Rica ($\bar{x} = 90\% \pm 1.1\%$) were the most similar in terms of African ancestry, differing
348 primarily by the presence of small amounts of eastern European (C) ancestry in the Costa Rica
349 sample. While lower than that found in our Costa Rica and Panamá samples, African ancestry in
350 our Mexico sample is also substantial ($\bar{x} = 79\% \pm 0.62\%$), but unlike the Central American
351 samples, these honey bees possess increased levels of C ($\bar{x} = 8\% \pm 0.35\%$) and M ancestry ($\bar{x} =$
352 $12\% \pm 0.41$). Middle Eastern ancestry (O) accounts for only 1% of the ancestry in Mexico ($\bar{x} =$
353 $1\% \pm 0.36\%$).

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355 The substantial amount of C ancestry persisting in honey bees in Mexico suggests that
356 insufficient time may have passed since the arrival of Africanized honey bees (AHB) for honey
357 bees to reach the high African ancestry levels seen in lower latitudes. However, AHB first arrived
358 in southern Mexico in the late 1980s, and studies have shown that levels of African ancestry can
359 reach high, apparently stable, levels in less than a decade (Pinto *et al.*, 2005). Alternatively, the
360 substantial EHB population that existed throughout Mexico prior to AHB arrival could have
361 provided a genetic buffer and allowed for the persistence of C-type despite ample time since

362 contact with AHB (Clarke, Rinderer, Franck, Quezada-Euán, & Oldroyd, 2002). Beekeeping with
363 C-lineage honey bees was widespread across Mexico prior to the arrival of AHB, with an
364 estimated 1.5 million managed colonies present throughout the country (Winston *et al.*, 1979; Gu
365 *et al.*, 2002). In contrast, Costa Rica and Panamá both had modest managed beekeeping activity
366 prior to AHB arrival and feral EHB colonies were quite rare, particularly in the rainy lowlands
367 (Roubik & Boreham, 1990; Lobo, 1995). Additionally, many beekeepers in Central America
368 abandoned the trade after AHB arrival and the importation and maintenance of European honey
369 bees diminished substantially (van Veen, Calderon Fallas, Cubero Murillo, & Arce Arce, 1998).
370 Thus, AHB likely encountered a much smaller population of EHB in Central America than in
371 Mexico, allowing for a rapid and extensive Africanization of the honey bee gene pool.

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373 In striking contrast to the honey bees from Mexico and Central America, African ancestry in
374 honey bees collected in San Diego County, California (U.S.A.) is relatively low ($\bar{x} = 40\% \pm$
375 1.2%) with substantial ancestry traceable to all four major honey bee genetic lineages (Figure 1 &
376 2). Surprisingly, all honey bees from the San Diego sample possessed Middle Eastern ancestry
377 (O) ($\bar{x} = 9\% \pm 0.22\%$). Honey bees from Middle Eastern lineages were only imported to the
378 United States during the last two decades of the 19th century and these limited importations
379 stopped by the beginning of the 20th century (Magnus & Szalanski, 2010). Nevertheless, surveys
380 of ancestry in honey bees in the United States have continued to report the presence of O-clade
381 ancestry in feral honey bees more than a century since their importation ceased (Whitfield *et al.*,
382 2006; Magnus & Szalanski, 2010; Kono & Kohn, 2015, Figures 1 & 2).

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384 In addition, representation of eastern European (C) ancestry ($\bar{x} = 35\% \pm 1.2\%$) in San Diego bees
385 is substantially higher than that found in Mexican and Central American samples while the
386 contribution of the M lineage ($\bar{x} = 16\% \pm 0.43\%$) is also somewhat elevated (Figure 1, Table 2).
387 The large contribution of eastern European (C) ancestry is perhaps indicative of the fact that
388 honey bees from this clade are preferred for agricultural use in the United States. In regions
389 inhabited by feral AHB, European purity of managed honey bee colonies is actively maintained
390 via consistent requeening of colonies with queens from desirable lineages (Schiff & Sheppard,
391 1995, 1996). In the United States, AHB are generally considered unmanageable due to
392 undesirable characteristics such as a higher propensity to sting and to abandon their nests
393 (reviewed in Schneider *et al.*, 2004). In contrast, in Mexico, Central and South America, AHB
394 have been largely accepted as the new normal for beekeeping and have been integrated into
395 agricultural work (Ratnieks & Visscher, 1996; Guzman-Novoa & Page, 1999).

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397 Our findings in San Diego, largely agree with recent WGS studies that assessed African (A),
398 western European (M) and eastern European (C) ancestry in feral honey bees in Southern
399 California (Cridland *et al.*, 2017; Calfee *et al.*, 2020). However, we provide the first assessment
400 of Middle Eastern (O) ancestry in Southern California honey bees using whole genome
401 sequencing (WGS). If the Southern California bees sampled in these previous studies contained
402 unassessed genomic content from the O lineage, it was likely assigned as C-type in their analysis,
403 as these clades are the most genetically similar.

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405 Of particular interest in all of our samples is the persistence of substantial western European (M)
406 ancestry despite African dominance. Studies that have tracked the process of Africanization

407 elsewhere have shown that African genetic material largely or completely replaces genomic
408 content from the eastern European (C) lineage, while the contribution from the M lineage to
409 genomes of AHB remains substantial and is never completely eliminated (Clarke *et al.*, 2002;
410 Pinto *et al.*, 2005; Whitfield *et al.*, 2006; Cridland *et al.*, 2017; Nelson *et al.*, 2017). All of our
411 sampled honey bee genomes from San Diego to Panamá possess moderate levels of M ancestry
412 while C ancestry content declines precipitously from north to south and is nearly totally absent in
413 samples from Costa Rica and Panamá. This pattern suggests that the M-lineage content that
414 persists in highly Africanized populations may be selected for while C-lineage content is selected
415 against except where A-lineage contribution declines at higher latitudes (Whitfield *et al.*, 2006).
416 Alternatively, small amounts of M ancestry may be neutrally hitchhiking within predominantly
417 African genomes.

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419 Previous studies have identified some regions of M ancestry that appear to be under selection, in
420 particular a region on Chromosome 13 which is associated with a QTL for worker ovary size
421 (Calfee *et al.*, 2020; Nelson *et al.*, 2017). In addition, some regions associated with nest defense
422 behavior were found to be of western European origin, suggesting that M ancestry is contributing
423 in some way to AHB nest defense, a behavior which has been historically associated with African
424 ancestry (Harpur, Kadri, Orsi, Whitfield, & Zayed, 2020). Future work is needed to determine
425 whether these regions of M ancestry are under selection in our sampled populations.

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427 Despite differences in sampling methods, bees within each sample population were remarkably
428 homogeneous with respect to inferred ancestry. In both Costa Rica and Mexico, bees were
429 sampled from a single site, either a small area of a reserve (Costa Rica) or a single apiary

430 (Mexico). This limited geographic breadth of sampling could have contributed to the
431 homogeneity of ancestry observed in these sites. However, in Panamá and San Diego, bees were
432 sampled across many tens of kilometers, representing many different colonies, and exhibited
433 similar homogeneity in ancestry.

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435 Mitochondrial analysis of these 4 New World populations is largely consistent with findings from
436 nuclear genomes (Figure 3; Table 4). All bees sampled from Panamá and Costa Rica, where
437 nuclear genomes were predominantly African, carried mitochondria of African origin. In Mexico,
438 the majority of honey bees carried the African mitotype while a few carried the C-type
439 mitochondria. San Diego honey bees harbored a more diverse selection of mitochondrial lineages
440 (A, M and O) with only the C-lineage mitochondria absent in our current sample. However, a
441 previous study of mitochondrial diversity in San Diego County honey bees (Kono & Kohn, 2015)
442 used a larger sample and found mitotypes representing all four clades, with the African mitotype
443 the most frequent (65%) and mitochondria from the other three lineages present in similar
444 proportions. Failure to uncover any mitochondria from the C lineage in the present study likely
445 results from the small number of non-A mitochondria analyzed.

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447 Estimates of genetic diversity among sampled populations are quite similar to one another, but
448 higher than those from Old World reference populations, as has been previously reported for
449 AHBs from other portions of their range (Harpur, Minaei, Kent, & Zayed, *et al.*, 2012; Calfee *et*
450 *al.*, 2020; Espregueira-Themudo *et al.*, 2020). The African lineage has previously been shown to
451 be more diverse than the European M and C lineages (Harpur *et al.*, 2012; Calfee *et al.*, 2020),
452 and we find that the O lineage harbors levels of genetic diversity intermediate between African

453 (A) and European (M and C) lineages (Table 3). Surprisingly, given that the majority of their
454 genomes do not derive from the African lineage, estimates of genetic diversity in our San Diego
455 sample are not markedly lower than those of Mexican and Central American samples. Previous
456 work has shown that admixture between managed European honey bee subspecies increases total
457 genetic diversity beyond that seen in contributing lineages (Harpur *et al.*, 2012). Perhaps the
458 diverse mixture of all four lineages found in San Diego increases the level of genetic diversity—
459 offsetting the effects of reduced African ancestry. Because of their diverse ancestry, the feral
460 honey bee population of San Diego likely contains genes adapted to many different
461 environmental challenges. Their genomes could provide a valuable resource for future attempts
462 to breed desirable traits into managed honey bee populations.

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464 The complex ancestry of San Diego honey bees results from repeated, human-mediated,
465 introductions of *Apis mellifera* to the New World followed by admixture. This complex
466 admixture may be one factor underlying the tremendous ecological success of feral honey bees in
467 Southern California. Honey bees in San Diego County are responsible for 75% of floral visits to
468 natural vegetation, even at sites within large preserves far from any source of managed honey
469 bees (Hung *et al.*, 2018, 2019). This occurs despite the fact that the native bee fauna of Southern
470 California is very diverse with > 600 species recorded in San Diego County alone. While we can
471 find no comparative data on honey bee importance as pollinators in Southern California prior to
472 Africanization, it is at least possible that AHB's diverse genomic ancestry plays a role in their
473 success, as has been suggested for other invasive taxa (Smith *et al.*, 2020).

474

475 Honey bees sampled in San Diego, CA (and Southern California, more generally) have relatively
476 low African genomic content in comparison to honey bees assessed elsewhere in the United
477 States. In Both Texas and Arizona, levels of African ancestry in feral honey bees are
478 approximately 75% (Whitfield *et al.*, 2006; Bozek *et al.*, 2018) similar to levels reported here for
479 Mexico (Figure 2). Potentially, San Diego County possesses a climate more favorable to honey
480 bees of reduced African genomic ancestry in comparison to other regions where African genomic
481 content has been assessed. Models built from climate data at the southern AHB range limit
482 predict that colder winter weather plays a considerable role in halting AHB expansion. (Taylor &
483 Spivak, 1984; Southwick, Roubik, & Williams, 1990; Harrison, Fewell, Anderson, & Loper,
484 2006). Western San Diego County has a mild Mediterranean climate featuring dry summers with
485 a mean high temperature of 25°C (August). The coldest winter month (January) has an average
486 minimum of 8°C (NOAA - National Weather Service Forecast Office). In contrast, AHB from
487 Texas sampled in Pinto *et al.*, (2005) and reexamined by Whitfield *et al.*, (2006) were collected
488 from the Welder Wildlife Refuge (WWR), a reserve that has a hot and humid summers, on
489 average reaching 35°C in August (Rangel *et al.*, 2016; NOAA - National Weather Service
490 Forecast Office) and experiences cool winters similar to San Diego with average lows of 7°C in
491 January. The greater penetrance of African (A lineage) genes in south Texas, where winter
492 temperatures are, if anything, slightly cooler than San Diego implies that, while climate may be
493 important in limiting the penetrance of African genomic material, simple measures of winter cold
494 temperatures are unlikely to be the only determining factor. Perhaps African ancestry is
495 advantageous in regions that experience much higher summer temperatures and humidity levels.
496 If so, we might expect an increase in Africanization of feral (non-managed) bees with increasing
497 temperatures under climate change.

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499 Gene flow from managed European honey bee populations could restrain the introgression of
500 genes of African origin in San Diego County. Policies throughout the United States are meant to
501 keep managed honey bees as free as possible from Africanization, but such practices have failed
502 to noticeably inhibit the Africanization of feral bees in Texas and Arizona (Pinto *et al.*, 2005;
503 Whitfield *et al.*, 2006, Bozek *et al.*, 2018. San Diego County, CA (USA) may differ from other
504 areas in the U.S.A. where AHB ancestry has been assessed in that it has a substantial agricultural
505 component: ~230,000 acres of planted crops, many of which (e.g. avocados and citrus) use honey
506 bees for pollination services and honey production (San Diego County Crop Statistics Annual
507 Report, 2019). San Diego county may harbor higher densities of managed, European honey bees
508 and gene flow from European managed hives could counter Africanization. Genetic swamping by
509 managed honey bees, however, would require that a substantial fraction of the honey bees in San
510 Diego County come from managed, genetically European, hives. Our finding that all 15 foraging
511 workers examined here have substantial African and Middle Eastern ancestry—lineages not used
512 in managed colonies—argues against this. We found no purely European bees in our sample, as
513 would be expected if sampled honey bees came from hives managed in accord with current
514 policies. This is consistent with the hypothesis, supported by previous mitochondrial data (Kono
515 & Kohn, 2015), that most bees foraging in San Diego County, whether in urban or non-
516 agricultural rural settings, derive from feral, Africanized colonies. This high frequency of feral
517 Africanized bees in the total honey bee population reduces the possibility that continued gene
518 flow from managed population is a major force responsible for the low levels of African ancestry
519 observed. The homogeneity of ancestry among sampled bees also suggests that gene flow from

520 managed EHB is relatively rare. We observed little variation indicative of recent introgression
521 events between managed EHB and feral AHB.

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523 Alternatively, insufficient time may have elapsed since the introduction of the AHB to San Diego
524 county for African ancestry to reach levels comparable to those seen elsewhere. This seems
525 unlikely given the speed with which Africanization has occurred elsewhere. For instance, Pinto *et*
526 *al.*, (2005) used nuclear microsatellite data to show that the transition to high African ancestry in
527 feral bees of southern Texas took only about 5 years after the arrival of AHB into Texas, a
528 finding later confirmed using genomic methods (Whitfield *et al.*, 2006). AHB arrived in San
529 Diego county in 1994 and our bees were sampled more than two decades later, suggesting either
530 that Africanization is taking much longer than in Texas, or differences in conditions in San Diego
531 relative to Texas lead to reduced penetration of genetic material of African origin. It appears that
532 none of these three hypotheses (limited time, gene flow from managed hives, nor low winter
533 temperature) can easily explain lower African content in the genomes of AHB of Southern
534 California. More work is needed to examine whether low African ancestry persists over the long
535 term and what its causes are.

536

537 The introduction of African honey bees to the New World in 1956, and their subsequent
538 introgression and rapid expansion throughout much of the Americas, has captured the attention
539 and imagination of both the scientific world and the public. The Africanization of New World
540 honey bees has been one of the largest and best-documented biological invasions resulting from
541 human-mediated hybridization. The increasing amount of genomic and computational tools
542 available to assess ancestry in hybrid individuals, as well as the ever-decreasing costs of

543 sequencing, have facilitated our ability to study Africanization in unprecedented detail. Here we
544 assessed global ancestry of 60 admixed honey bee genomes collected from four distinct regions,
545 many assessed for the first time using whole genome sequences. Future work to determine local
546 ancestry could investigate whether there are particular genomic regions that consistently come
547 from African versus European lineages across the northern geographic range of the AHB
548 expansion. Such regions, and the genes they contain, are critical to understanding the genetic
549 changes that explain the ecological dominance of Africanized bees over much of the American
550 continents, as well as the continued prevalence of bees of European descent at higher latitudes.
551 Such analyses could also shed light on the locations and origins of genomic regions useful for
552 breeding managed honey bees that are more resistant to environmental challenges currently
553 harming the honey bee industry.

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889 **Data Accessibility and Benefit-Sharing Statement**

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891 Upon acceptance, all DNA sequence data will be deposited in GenBank and accession numbers
892 provided. All scripts used to generate analyses will be made available on GitHub.

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905 **FIGURES**

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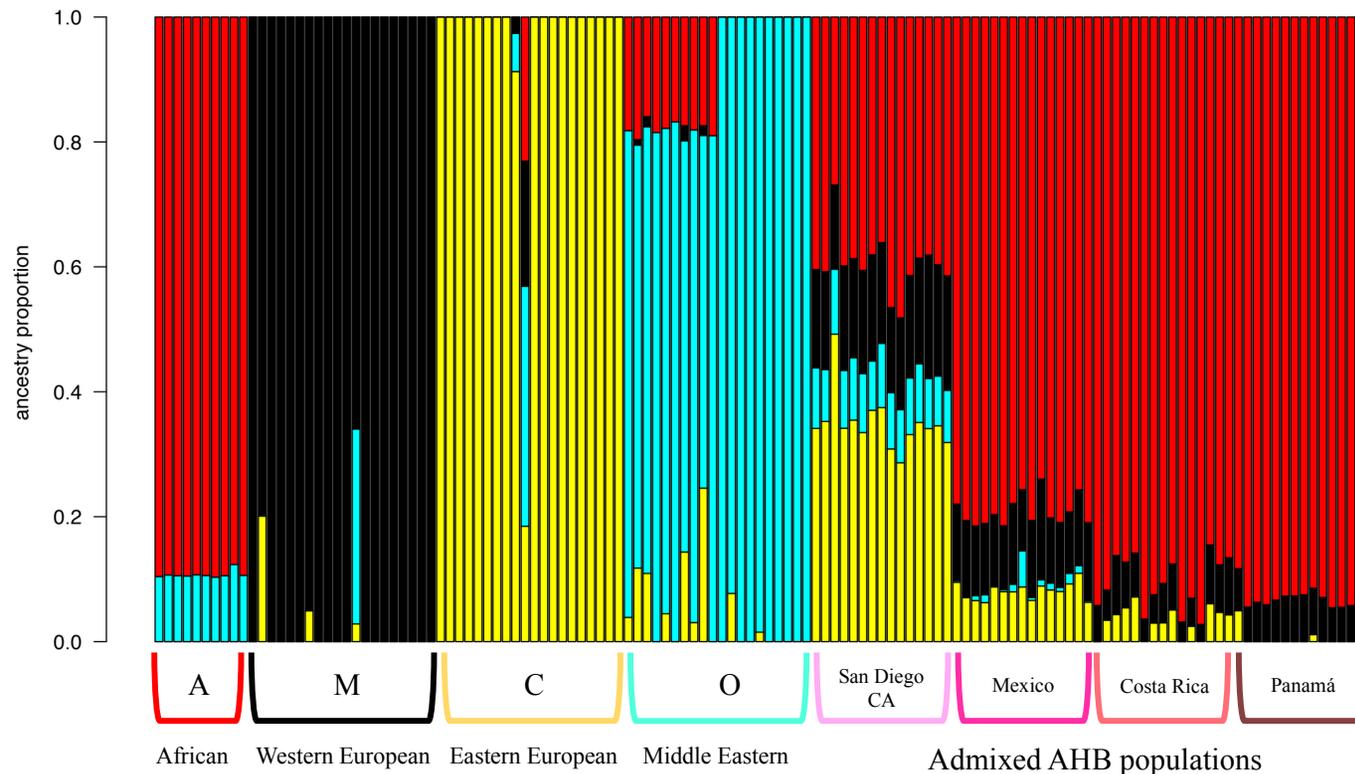


Figure 1: NGSadmixture barplot of ancestry. Each vertical bar is one honey bee genome and colors represent the estimated proportion of ancestry derived from each genetic cluster ($K=4$). The 70 reference genomes belonging to the four major evolutionary lineages of *Apis mellifera* (A, M, C, O) are grouped and labeled beginning with the African clade. The 60 admixed AHB genomes are arranged north to south by geographic origin, beginning with San Diego, CA and followed by the honey bees from Mexico, Costa Rica, and Panamá.

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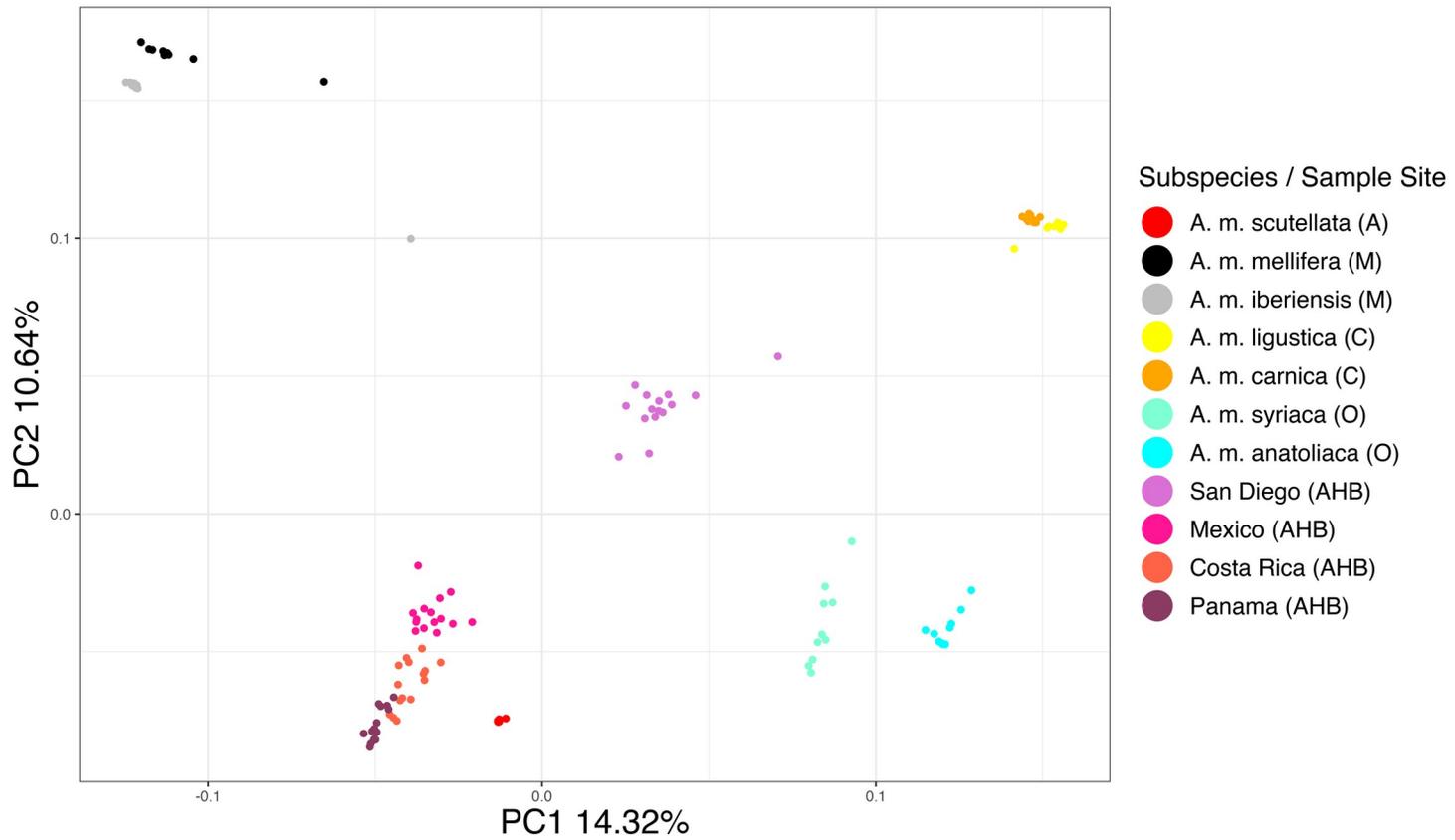
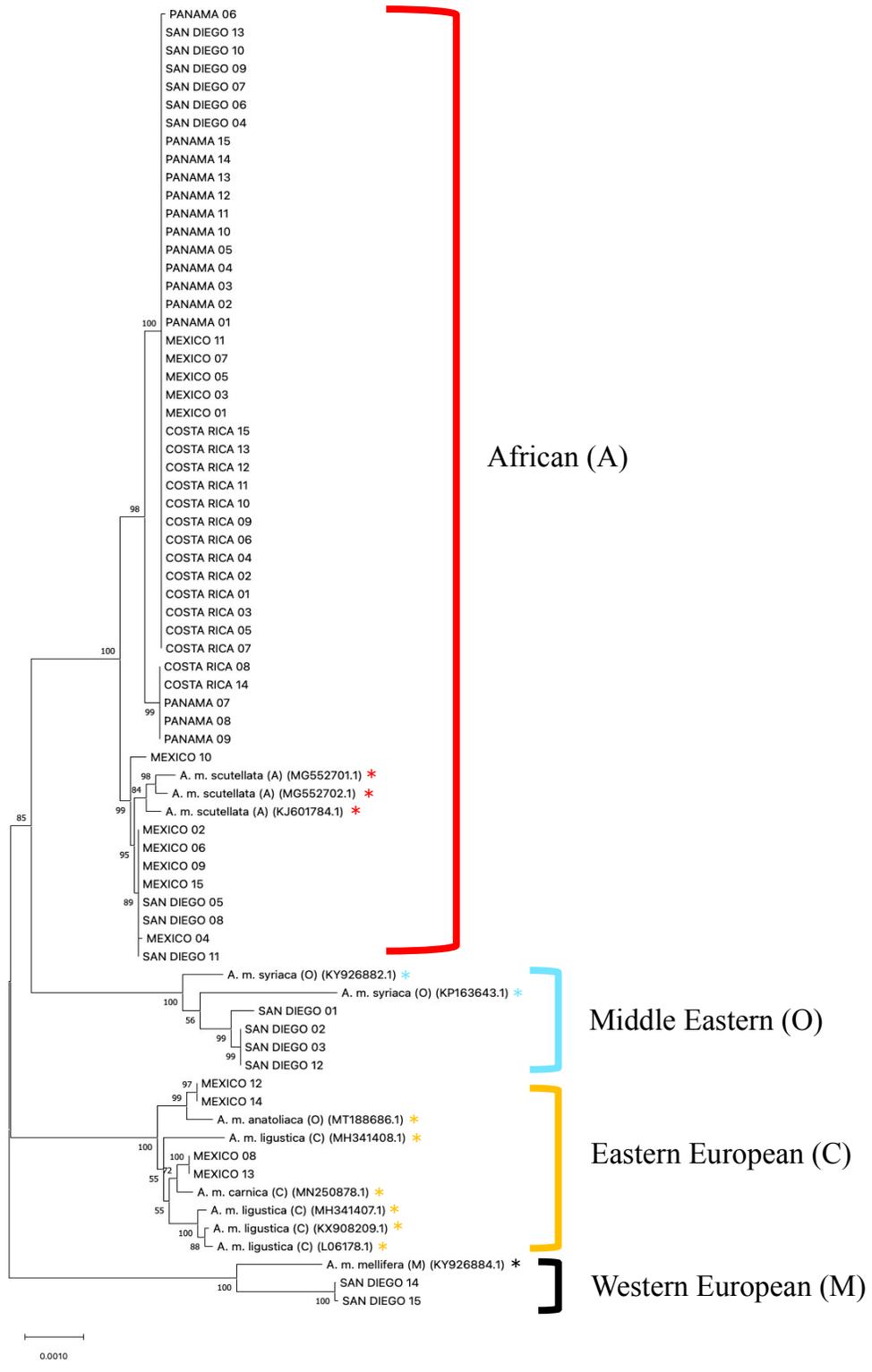


Figure 2: Principal Component Analysis (PCA) of the 70 reference honey bees and 60 admixed honey bee genomes.

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1014 Figure 3: Midpoint-rooted neighbor joining phylogeny constructed from the mitochondrial
 1015 genomes of 60 admixed honey bees collected from San Diego, Mexico, Costa Rica, and Panamá
 1016 (n=15, per population) and 12 reference mitochondrial sequences obtained from NCBI: *A. m.*
 1017 *mellifera* (n=1), *A. m. syriaca* (n=2), *A. m. carnica* (n=1), *A. m. scutellata* (n=3), *A. m. ligustica*
 1018 (n=4), and *A. m. anatoliaca* (n=1). NCBI mitochondrial sequences denoted by an asterisk (*).
 1019 Values on each node represent the percent bootstrap support (n = 2000 bootstraps).

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1023 **TABLES**

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A Clade	Subspecies	(n)	Source Country
A	<i>A. m. scutellata</i>	10	South Africa
M	<i>A. m. mellifera</i>	10	England
	<i>A. m. iberiensis</i>	10	Ireland
C	<i>A. m. carnica</i>	10	Italy
	<i>A. m. ligustica</i>	10	Greece
O	<i>A. m. syriaca</i>	10	Syria
	<i>A. m. anatoliaca</i>	10	Lebanon

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B Location	(n)	Coordinates
San Diego, CA, U.S.A.	15	32.7° N, 117° W
Chiapas, Mexico	15	16.7° N, 93.1° W
Santa Rosa National Park, Costa Rica	15	10.8° N, 85.7° W
Panamá	15	8.98°N, 79.5° W

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Table 1: Summary of all 130 genomes included in this ancestry analysis, including (A) 70
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	San Diego, CA	Mexico	Costa Rica	Panamá
African (A)	39.7 % ± 1.22 %	79.2% ± 0.618 %	90.2 % ± 1.10 %	93.5 % ± 0.233 %
Western European (M)	16.3 % ± 0.427 %	11.7%± 0.414 %	6.23 % ± 0.586 %	6.46 % ± 0.196 %
Eastern European (C)	35.0 % ± 1.17 %	8.07% ± 0.347 %	3.61 % ± 0.566 %	0.0744 % ± 7.44e-02 %
Middle Eastern (O)	9.03 % ± 0.217 %	1.08% ± 0.359 %	1.46e-03 % ± 1.14e-03 %	0.00 % ± 8.01e-19 %

Table 2: Mean percentage (SE) of genomic contributions from the four major honey bee lineages in each sampled population (n = 15 bee genomes per sample).

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MG552702.1	<i>A. m. scutellata</i>	A
MG552701.1	<i>A. m. scutellata</i>	A
KY926884.1	<i>A. m. mellifera</i>	M
MN250878.1	<i>A. m. carnica</i>	C
KX908209.1	<i>A. m. ligustica</i>	C
MH341408.1	<i>A. m. ligustica</i>	C
MH341407.1	<i>A. m. ligustica</i>	C
L06178.1	<i>A. m. ligustica</i>	C
MT188686.1	<i>A. m. anatoliaca</i>	O
KP163643.1	<i>A. m. syriaca</i>	O
KY926882.1	<i>A. m. syriaca</i>	O

Table 3: Whole mitochondrial genome sequences representing A/C/M/O honey bee clades downloaded from NCBI and used in mtDNA haplotype analysis.

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	San Diego, CA	Mexico	Costa Rica	Panamá
African (A)	9	11	15	15
Western European (M)	2	0	0	0
Eastern European (C)	0	4	0	0
Middle Eastern (O)	4	0	0	0

Table 4: Number of honey bees sampled from each admixed population (San Diego (CA), Mexico, Costa Rica, Panamá) found to carry mitochondria from each of the four clades (A, M, C, O).

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	Pairwise Estimator ($\hat{\pi}$)	Pairwise Estimator ($\hat{\pi}_{\pi}$) using called SNPs only (minor allele frequency > 0.05)	Watterson's Estimator ($\hat{\pi}_w$)
San Diego	0.0101 \pm 0.00139	0.00724 \pm 5.40e-05	0.0115 \pm 0.00145
Mexico	0.0115 \pm 0.00241	0.00767 \pm 7.04e-05	0.0132 \pm 0.00178
Costa Rica	0.0111 \pm 0.00180	0.00745 \pm 7.43e-05	0.0117 \pm 0.00194
Panamá	0.0109 \pm 0.00186	0.00737 \pm 7.21e-05	0.0121 \pm 0.00149
African (A)	0.00842 \pm 0.000543	0.00468 \pm 3.10e-05	0.0111 \pm 0.00252
Western European (M)	0.00438 \pm 0.000258	0.00308 \pm 1.33e-05	0.00469 \pm 0.000387
Eastern European (C)	0.00346 \pm 0.000195	0.00269 \pm 1.48e-05	0.00369 \pm 0.000176
Middle Eastern (O)	0.00642 \pm 0.000345	0.00419 \pm 1.91e-05	0.00714 \pm 0.000266

Table 5: Genetic diversity measures (mean \pm SE) for admixed and reference populations.