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Evaluating Gene Flow Using Selected Markers: A Case Study

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ABSTRACT

The extent to which an organism is locally adapted in an environmental pocket depends on the selection intensities inside and outside the pocket, on migration, and on the size of the pocket. When two or more loci are involved in this local adaptation, measuring their frequency gradients and their linkage disequilbria allows one to disentangle the forces—migration and selection—acting on the system. We apply this method to the case of a local adaptation to organophosphate insecticides in the mosquito *Culex pipiens pipiens* in southern France. The study of two different resistance loci allowed us to estimate with support limits gene flow as well as selection pressure on insecticide resistance and the fitness costs associated with each locus. These estimates permit us to pinpoint the conditions for the maintenance of this pocket of adaptation as well as the effect of the interaction between the two resistance loci.

 \mathbf{A} LTHOUGH evolutionary theory attempts mainly to this finite variance requires knowledge of population explain past changes, its predictions can be tested sizes and of the patterns of isolation by distance (Rousby examining actual evolutionary processes in natural set 1997). populations. To do so we must quantify the determinis- Another approach is to analyze directly the relative tic processes causing genetic evolution, namely, selec-
tion and gene flow, and take into account the unpredict-
terns that have been extensively studied theoretically for tion and gene flow, and take into account the unpredictable changes due to stochastic processes such as random various selection models (Felsenstein 1976; Endler drift and mutation. Among these factors only gene flow 1977). In an infinite environment and at equilibrium, (and stabilizing selection) will oppose genetic differenti- the cline slope is a robust estimate of the relative magation between populations. Its evaluation is therefore initude of selection *vs.* migration (Barton and Gale required for the understanding of the evolution of pop-
1993). Different methods can be used to infer the absorequired for the understanding of the evolution of populations in their "adaptive landscape" (for review, see lute value of each term, and in all cases, they require Slatkin 1987). However, methods are lacking to evalu- extra information about the system such as (1) a direct ate gene flow independently of selection, mutation, or measure of dispersal, thus giving an indirect estimate

magnitude of gene flow *vs.* drift, and thus estimate the ciency at one locus or linkage disequilibria when several
degree of isolation of populations. This determination loci are involved, the latter being more reliable (degree of isolation of populations. This determination enables the evaluation of the effects of different kinds let and Barton 1989); (3) the variation of the cline
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drift. of selection (Endler 1977; Barton and Hewitt 1985);
In most cases, it is possible to determine the relative (2) a genotypic parameter such as heterozygote defi-(2) a genotypic parameter such as heterozygote defi-
ciency at one locus or linkage disequilibria when several these methods can also be useful for understanding the dynamics of local adaptation.

We have investigated the case of local adaptation of *Corresponding author:* Thomas Lenormand, Laboratoire Génétique the mosquito *Culex pipiens pipiens* to organophosphate et Environnement, Institut des Sciences de l'Evolution (UMR 5554), insecticides in the Montpellier are et Environnement, Institut des Sciences de l'Evolution (UMR 5554), insecticides in the Montpellier area in France. This ad-
Université Montpellier II, CC065 Place E. Bataillon, F-34095 Montpel aptation is conferred by resi ¹ Present address: Station de Recherche de lutte biologique, INRA La loci. Insecticide selection varies geographically, creating Miniere, 78285 Guyancourt Cedex, France. **a pocket of adaptation. We have analyzed clinal patterns**

at these two loci to estimate selection intensities and **TABLE 1** gene flow. These estimates were used to evaluate the **Nomenclature Nomenclature** role of interaction between the two loci for the maintainance of the pocket of adaptation. Finally, we compared our estimates to direct or indirect estimates of selection intensity and gene flow in other studies.

Ester4 Ester ⁰ (40) [4] {E} MATERIALS AND METHODS *Ester ¹ Ester ¹* (11) [1] {E}

Culex pipiens and its environment: Larval development of the mosquito C . p . pipiens takes place mainly in anthropic pools where insecticide control occurs. Females are presumably fertilized at emergence (Weidhass *et al.* 1973) and then *Search for their blood meal and a site to lay* \sim *150–200 eggs.* Insecticides are applied during the breeding season, that is, approximately from April to October near Montpellier in southern France (see Chevil l on *et al.* 1995 for details) and are
restricted to a 20-km coastal belt. Between 1968 and 1990–91,
organophosphate (OP) insecticides were exclusively used for
mosquito control and have been

Fractrition of Ace. *I* and codes for an insensitive AChE1; Ace. *I*⁶ that codes for a sensitive AChE1; Ace. *I*⁶ that codes for a sensitive AChE1; Ace. *I*⁶ that codes for a sensitive AChE1; and Ace. *I*⁸ that co Est-2, coding for esterases A and B, respectively (de Stordeur 1976; Pasteur *et al.* 1981a,b). Only 2 to 6 kb of DNA separate *Est-3* from *Est-2* (Rooker *et al.* 1996; Guil lemaud *et al.* 1997).

Resistance alleles at *Est-3* and *Est-2* induce an overproduction populations, resistance alleles at both loci are associated with of esterase resul of esterase, resulting in gene amplification or gene regulation fitness costs, in the absence of insecticides, through decreases
(Rooker *et al.* 1996). Due to their close proximity, esterase in fecundity and adult surviva genes are often coamplified as a single unit, which explains opmental time. These fitness costs tend to be higher for insented the complete association of resistance alleles at both loci (Rooker *et al.* 1996; Guillemaud corresponds to an increased expression of the esterase A1, *et al.* (1998). They were reared at -80° . whereas *Ester* were stored at 2808. *²* and *Ester4* correspond to coamplification of esterases A and B genes (A2-B2 and A4-B4, respectively). The For each mosquito, resistance alleles at the *Ester* and *Ace.1* recombination rate between *Ester* and *Ace.1* has been estimated loci were determined as follows. The thorax and the abdomen
to be 14.5% (our unpublished results). The nomenclature were used to detect overproduced esteras to be 14.5% (our unpublished results). The nomenclature used in this article is indicated in Table 1.

alleles contribute unequally to OP resistance: in southern France, insensitive acetylcholinesterase alleles confer in genpresent together in the same mosquito, the insecticide resisresistance (Raymond *et al.* 1987; Poirié 1991), although the dominance of the resistance conferred by the Acc I^R allele is environment dependent (Bourguet *et al.* 1996d). In natural

	Coding rules					
Genotype	Genotype	Phenotype	Class			
E ster ⁴ Ester ⁴	(44)	[4]	{E}			
E ster ⁴ Ester ⁰	(40)	[4]	{E}			
Ester ¹ Ester ¹	(11)	[1]	{E}			
E ster ¹ Ester ⁰	(10)	[1]	{E}			
E ster ² Ester ²	(22)	[2]	{E}			
E ster z Ester y	(20)	[2]	{E}			
E ster ⁴ Ester ¹	(41)	[41]	$\{E\}$			
E ster ⁴ Ester ²	(42)	[42]	$\{E\}$			
Ester ² Ester ¹	(21)	[21]	$\{E\}$			
E ster o Ester o	(00)	[0]	{O}			
Ace. 1^R Ace. 1^R	(RR)	[RR]	$\{R\}$			
Ace, I^R Ace, I^S	(RS)	[RS]	$\{R\}$			
Ace, I^{RS} Ace, I^S	(RSS)	[RS]	$\{R\}$			
Ace, I^{RS} Ace, I^R	(RSR)	[RS]	$\{R\}$			
Ace, I^{RS} Ace, I^{RS}	(RSRS)	[RS]	$\{R\}$			
Ace I^s Ace I^s	(SS)	[SS]	{S}			

mous 1990–1995). Additionally, residual doses of OP may be
of the order of lethal concentrations for susceptible mosqui-
toes in many places of the treated area, possibly due to other
pest controls (R. Eritja, personal co

cation justifies considering them as a single "super locus," **Data collection:** Pupae were sampled on July 5, 1995 in 10 which will hereafter be designated as *Ester.* In southern France, breeding sites along a 50-km north-south transect (Figure 1) three resistance alleles have been identified at this locus. *Ester¹ across the treated and* three resistance alleles have been identified at this locus. *Ester across* the treated and untreated areas studied by Guillemaud corresponds to an increased expression of the esterase A1. *et al.* (1998). They were rear

used in this article is indicated in Table 1. electrophoresis (Tris-Maleate-EDTA 7.4 buffer; Pasteur *et al.*
 Fitness of resistant mosquitoes: The different resistance 1988). The head was used to characterize AChE1 usin 1988). The head was used to characterize AChE1 using the Témoin-Propoxur-Propoxur (TPP) test described by Bourguet et al. (1996e). Overproduced esterases are dominant eral a resistance higher than overproduced esterases (Ray- markers under our electrophoretic conditions, and the TPP mond *et al.* 1986; Poirié *et al.* 1992; Severini *et al.* 1993; test determines individuals displaying sensitive, resistant, or Raymond and Marquine 1994; Rivet *et al.* 1994). When over- both types of acetylcholinestera both types of acetylcholinesterase. Thus, these methods do
not allow complete genotype identification. Table 1 indicates produced esterases and insensitive acetylcholinesterase are not allow complete genotype identification. Table 1 indicates present together in the same mosquito, the insecticide resis-
the correspondence between each genoty tance combines additively (Raymond *et al.* 1989). At both code (parentheses) as well as the corresponding identified loci, resistance alleles can be assumed to be codominant for phenotype [brackets]. In addition, a phenot loci, resistance alleles can be assumed to be codominant for phenotype [brackets]. In addition, a phenotypic class for indi-
resistance (Raymond *et al.* 1987; Poirié 1991), although the viduals that carry at least one res at each locus {braces}. To identify individuals at both loci, *Ace.1* is indicated first, followed by *Ester* separated by a comma.

one locus. Let us note 1-*si* and 1-*c*, the probability that a locus, *Ace.1^{RS}* frequencies can be computed from this appar-
susceptible and a resistant homozygote survive exposure to entexcess of [RS], and an addition insecticide, and 1 and 1-*c*, the probability that they survive in can be fitted.
the absence of insecticide. Further, *si* represents the fitness A linkage disequilibrium measure $D = \text{freq}(S, O) - \text{freq}(S) \times$ the absence of insecticide. Further, *si* represents the fitness decrease due to insecticide exposure, and c the fitness cost of freq{O} was computed for each population and tested by an resistance. In the Montpellier area, insecticide treatments are exact test on the contingency table ($(S\}, \{R\}) \times (O\}, \{E\})$ using restricted to the coastal belt (between 0 and L kilometers from the Genepop software (ver. 3 restricted to the coastal belt (between 0 and *L* kilometers from the Genepop software (ver. 3.1a; Raymond and Rousset the sea). For one locus with two alleles, the fitness of each 1995). Pvalues of each test were combined the sea). For one locus with two alleles, the fitness of each 1995). *P* values of each genotype can be written as follows: genotype can be written as follows:

resistant homozygotes:
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1 + sg(x)
$$

\nheterozygotes: $1 + dg(x)$
\nsusceptible homozygotes: $1 - sg(x)$
\n $s = (si - c)/(2 - c - si)$
\nwith $\begin{cases} g(x) = 1 \text{ for } 0 \le x < L \\ g(x) = -\alpha^2 \text{ for } x > L \end{cases}$
\nwith $\alpha^2 = c/s(2 - c)$.

from the coast, *s* the intensity of selection, and α^2 the ratio of the selection coefficient for $x > L$ and $0 \le x < L$.

For codominance $(d = 0)$ and $\alpha = 1$, Nagylaki (1975) showed that a cline may be maintained given that $k > \pi/4$, Showed that a cline hay be maintained given that $k > \pi/4$,
with $k^2 = 2sL^2/\sigma^2$ where σ is the standard deviation of parent-
then $P = (1/2)^{2t} \times \left[\binom{2t}{i} + \binom{2t}{2(t-a)-i-1}\right]$ offspring distance measured along one dimension. Such clines cannot be characterized only by their slope, in contrast to numerous other cases (Barton and Gale 1993), because they

can be very asymmetric. However, Nagylaki (1975, Equations 32–33) showed that they can be described by the maximum gene frequency and the gene frequency at the transition between the two environments and that the relative magnitude of selection *vs.* migration can be deduced from these characteristics.

The full analytical treatment in the case of two loci in a semi-infinite environment has not been performed, although Slatkin (1975) worked out numerically the case of an infinite environment. When two loci with two alleles each are considered, fitness interactions between genes as well as their linkage must be considered. Additionally, linkage disequilibria are generated by migration that steepen each of the clines.

Descriptive analysis: In order to test for the presence of frequency gradients at each resistance allele along the transect, data were fitted to descriptive cline models. Allelic distributions were fitted according to a scaled negative exponential. For instance, the frequencies of the four esterase alleles were modeled as follows:

*Ester*¹: $f_1(x) = h_1 e^{-a_1 x^2}$ *Ester*²: $f2(x) = h2.(1 - h1).e^{-a2.x^2}$ *Ester*⁴: *f*4(*x*) = *h*4.(1 - *h*1 - *h*2.(1 - *h*1)).*e*^{-*a*4.*x*²} *Ester*⁰: $f0(x) = 1 - f1(x) - f2(x) - f4(x)$,

where *a1*, *a2*, *a4*, *h1*, *h2*, and *h4* are estimated parameters. The phenotypic distributions were computed by using these allelic distributions and by assuming each locus at Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium. The phenotype was considered to be a three-state or seven-state random variable for the *Ace.1* and *Ester* locus, respectively (see Table 1). The likelihood of a sample was computed from the phenotypic multinomial distribution.

Departure from Hardy-Weinberg proportions was tested in each population at the *Ester* locus by a likelihood ratio test. For an overall test, *P* values of each test were combined across populations using Fisher's method (Manly 1985). At the *Ace.1* Figure 1.—Samples location. The dashed line represents locus, departure from Hardy-Weinberg cannot be evaluated
the limit between the treated and untreated area. because only three phenotypes are identified for three allel The presence of the *Ace.1^{RS}* allele creates an apparent excess of [RS] when only the two alleles *Ace.1R* and *Ace.1S* are consid-**Theoretical expectations:** Let us consider first the case of ered. If Hardy-Weinberg proportions are assumed at this ent excess of $[RS]$, and an additional cline of allele frequency can be fitted.

Simulations: In order to estimate migration and selection, we used deterministic simulations to infer the allelic distribution at equilibrium because the analytical solution is intracta-
ble and requires the assumption of weak selection. One-dimension clines were simulated by a series of demes connected by
migration as described in Mallet and Barton (1989). The
migration distribution was reflected at one edge of the step-
ping stone to simulate a semi-infinite env $t + i$ was calculated using a symmetric binomial distribution where *d* is the dominance level $(-1 < d < 1)$, *x* the distance $t + i$ was calculated using a symmetric binomial distribution from the coast s the intensity of selection and α^2 the ratio $B(2t, 1/2)$ corrected by the ref

If
$$
2(t-a) - i - 1 > 0
$$
,
\nthen $P = (1/2)^{2t} \times \left[\binom{2t}{i} + \binom{2t}{2(t-a) - i - 1} \right]$
\nelse $P = (1/2)^{2t} \times \binom{2t}{i}$.

TABLE 2 Phenotype frequencies along the transect

Phenotype frequencies along the transect TABLE₂

The migration variance was measured by $\varepsilon^2 t/2$, which is the variance of this distribution when $a > t$ and where ε is the distance betweendemes. Selection coefficients were combined additively. The order of the processes was assumed to be reproduction-migration-selection, as should be the case for *C. pipiens.*

Migration and selection estimations: The method of estimation is based on the principle that all resistance allele frequencies should be clinal, decreasing from south to north (Figure 1). As a consequence, the mixing of genotypes by migration from populations along these clines should create heterozygote deficiencies at each locus (Wahlund effect) and positive linkage disequilibrium between loci. This disequilibrium is predicted to be maximal at a medium distance from the coast $(x \approx L)$ where the most dissimilar genotypes are mixed. Migration and selection parameters were estimated conjointly such that the expected frequencies, computed using the simulation described above, and observed frequencies were as close as possible.

We focused our study on the differences between susceptible and resistance alleles within and between loci rather than on the transient polymorphism or allele replacements at each locus. For such a purpose, we pooled individuals carrying at least one resistance allele at each locus. The phenotype was considered therefore to be a four-state ({S,O}, {S,E}, {R,O} and {R,E}; see Table 1) random variable, and the likelihood of a sample was computed from its multinomial distribution. Eleven parameters are needed to describe the system. Among them, three can be estimated from external data: the recombination rate $(r = 14.5\%)$, the size of the treated area $(L = 20$ km), and the epistasis for resistance (zero). Furthermore, we assumed that epistasis for fitness costs was negligible. These estimations and assumptions allowed us to investigate the selection intensities (s_a, α_a) for the *Ace.1* locus and s_e, α_e , for the *Ester* locus) and the migration variance (σ^2) . To evaluate the influence of the dominance level on the estimation of the migration variance, three cases of dominance for both loci were considered: recessivity $(d = -1)$, codominance $(d = 0)$, and dominance $(d = 1)$. The influence of the recombination rate was also investigated for codominance at both loci.

Model comparisons and tests: Maximum likelihood estimates (MLE) of parameters were computed conjointly using the Metropolis algorithm adapted from N. H. Barton (Szymura and Barton 1986). G-tests were computed between related models and scaled to the dispersion of residual deviance (Crawley 1993). The support limits of a particular parameter were defined as the range of values within two units of log-likelihood from the maximum (Edwards 1972).

RESULTS

Resistance allele frequencies and linkage disequilibria: The frequencies of the different phenotypes combined at both loci are given in Table 2. The Hardy-Weinberg expectation was not rejected at the *Ester* locus (global test over populations $P = 0.87$). The linkage disequilibrium estimates between *Ester* and *Ace.1* (D) and their corresponding *P* value are indicated in Table 2. A positive D is observed (Table 2, $D > 0$, combined test across populations $P = 5.10^{-5}$ that peaks (4–6%) near the ecotone transition, which is consistent with a linkage disequilibrium created by migration.

Descriptive models: At the *Ace.1* locus, a clinal pattern is detected for both *Ace.1^R* and *Ace.1^{RS}* alleles (Table 3). The presence at high frequencies of the duplication

and the value of the estimated linkage disequilibrium D (in percent) and its associated *P* value (using an exact test; see text).

and *a4* correspond to the *Ester ¹* , *Ester ²* and *a4* correspond to the *Ester¹, Ester², and Ester⁴* alleles, respec-
tively. At the *Ace.1* locus, *aR* and *aRS* refer to the *Ace.1^R* and ance do not have an important effect neither on the tively. At the *Ace. I* locus, *aR* and *aRS* refer to the *Ace. I*^{*n*} and
 Ace. I^{RS} alleles, respectively. "%TD" indicates the percent of

the total deviance explained by the model. The *P* value of the

scaled G-t

(0.33 on the coast, Table 4) is thus strongly supported, out by Barton (1982). and its cline explains well the pattern of apparent excess *Recombination effect:* The estimate of the migration of heterozygotes in the transect. These two similar clines variance strongly depends on the recombination rate explain 88% of the total deviance at *Ace.1* locus. How-
ever, the frequency of the duplicated allele *Ace.1^{RS}* is the closer the loci the higher the linkage disequilibunderestimated by assuming Hardy-Weinberg propor- rium. The recombination rate (*r*) of 14.5% was estitions because a heterozygote deficiency due to migra- mated between *Ester* and *Ace.1* based on 503 indition is expected. At the *Ester* locus, the model explains viduals (T. Lenormand, T. Guillemaud, D. Bourquet 77% of the total deviance. Significant and similar clinal and M. Raymond, unpublished results). Figure 3 shows patterns were found for all esterase resistance alleles, the joint support area for r and σ , assuming cod even for *Ester²*, which is rare (Tables 3 and 4). These results are consistent with the hypothesis that, for each by error measurements on the recombination rate (see locus, the selection pressures acting on resistance alleles Figure 3).

models explain 92–93% of the total deviance (Table 5 ever, the different cases of dominance that were investiand Figure 2). The maximum likelihood estimate of the gated are not equally likely (Table 5). In particular, parent-offspring standard deviation measured on one models considering dominance at Ace locus (models dimension is $\sigma = 6.6$ km.gen^{-1/2} (support limits 4.8–8.7 A–C in Table 5) are \sim 20 times less likely than those km.gen^{-1/2}) when codominance is assumed at both loci. that consider recessivity (models G–I). In contrast, for It should be underlined that the expected linkage dis-
a given dominance on the Ace.1 locus, there are no equilibrium does not peak at the ecotone transition, as noticeable differences between models considering difin the case of an infinite environment (see Slatkin ferent dominance levels on the *Ester* locus. When consid-

TABLE 3 1975 and Figure 2a), but is shifted 8 km into the un-

Effect of the linkage: As in the case of a single locus, the ratio of selection intensities in treated and untreated areas (α^2) and the selection-migration ratio (k) depend *Ester* al, a2, a4 71.90 0.77 areas (α^2) and the selection-migration ratio (k) depend

al = 0, a2, a4 132.64 0.58 < 0.00001 only on the relative magnitude of selection vs. gene flow

al, a2 = 0, a4 78.20 0.75 0.012 fo on the *Ester* locus: in order to maintain the *Ester* cline at the same frequency in the absence of selection on *Ace.1*, selection (or k^2) would have to be 26% higher. For each allele, the presence of a cline was tested using the $\frac{1}{k^2}$ are level, k^2 need only be increased by 7% in the absence the fitted parameters. At the *Ester* locus, parameters *a1*, *a2*, of selection on th

> quency gradients, the estimation depends mainly on the linkage disequilibrium pattern, as previously pointed

> the closer the loci the higher the linkage disequilibthe joint support area for r and σ , assuming codominance at both loci. Support limits of σ are not affected

are similar, that is, that the main differences in selection *Selection intensities:* Estimations of selection intensities pressure are between susceptible and resistance alleles. They not be as robust as the estimation o may not be as robust as the estimation of σ , because **Migration-selection models:** The migration-selection they depend on the assumptions of dominance. Howmodels considering dominance at *Ace* locus (models a given dominance on the *Ace.1* locus, there are no

TABLE 4

Descriptive fit estimates

Clines		SL	f(0)	.SL	
Ester ¹	9.87×10^{-4}	7.75×10^{-4} -1.23 $\times 10^{-3}$	0.123	$0.105 - 0.144$	
Ester ²	9.52×10^{-4}	3.75×10^{-4} -1.75 $\times 10^{-3}$	0.014	$0.008 - 0.021$	
E ster ⁴	6.62×10^{-4}	$5.75 \times 10^{-4} - 7.6 \times 10^{-4}$	0.430	$0.40 - 0.46$	
Ace, I^R $Acc.1^{RS}$	5.7×10^{-4} 3.0×10^{-3}	$5.0 \times 10^{-4} - 6.9 \times 10^{-4}$ $2.0 \times 10^{-4} - 5.1 \times 10^{-3}$	0.489 0.338	$0.46 - 0.515$ $0.29 - 0.389$	

Estimated parameters for each allelic cline, where the gene frequency is a function of distance to the sea $f(x) = f(0)e^{-ax^2}$, with $f(0)$ being the maximum frequency. "*SL*" indicates the support limits.

TABLE 5

Selection-migration models: different cases of dominance

Model	d_{a}	d_e	σ	SL	S_{a}	S_e	α_a^2	α_e^2	Deviance	$(\%TD)$
A			6.9	$5.0 - 9.4$	0.2	0.067	0.2	0.32	41.0	(91.8)
B		0	7	$5.0 - 9.2$	0.2	0.064	0.21	0.52	40.2	(92.0)
\mathcal{C}		-1	7.1	$5.2 - 9.4$	0.2	0.08	0.22	1.47	37.7	(92.5)
D	0		6.7	$4.9 - 8.9$	0.13	0.056	0.45	0.35	38.0	(92.4)
E	0	$\bf{0}$	6.6	$4.8 - 8.7$	0.125	0.055	0.46	0.59	37.0	(92.7)
F	$\bf{0}$	-1	6.8	$4.9 - 9.0$	0.13	0.062	0.49	1.58	37.5	(92.6)
G	-1		6.8	$4.9 - 9.2$	0.12	0.054	1.16	0.38	33.3	(93.4)
H	-1	$\bf{0}$	6.7	$4.8 - 8.9$	0.11	0.05	1.21	0.65	33.3	(93.4)
I	-1	-1	6.6	$4.7 - 8.8$	0.11	0.051	1.25	1.77	33.4	(93.4)

Three cases of dominance were considered at each locus. d_a and d_e are the dominance cases associated with the *Ace.1* and *Ester* loci, respectively. The MLE and the support limits (S_L) of σ is indicated in each case, as well as the MLE of selection intensity (s_a and s_e) and selection ratio (α_a^2 and α_e^2) associated with each locus. The residual deviance of each model and the percent of total deviance explained by each model (%TD) are indicated in the last columns.

ering only the most likely models (E–I), selection inten- *External estimation of parameters:* We supposed that the sity is likely to be \sim 0.12 on *Ace.1* (s_a) and \sim 0.055 on summer clines were observed at migration-selection *Ester* (*se*). For codominance at both loci (model E), these equilibrium. This is of course not exactly true, because selection intensities give an estimate of the insecticide selection intensities vary during the year. However, the selection pressure ($si \approx 0.30$ for *Ace.1* and ≈ 0.16 for high selection pressure and migration variance esti-*Ester*) and of the intensities of the fitness costs ($c \approx 0.11$ mated are consistent with very rapid adjustments of freand ≈0.06 for *Ace.1* and *Ester*, respectively). quencies. Moreover, frequencies, as well as selection

Validity of the assumptions: The analysis of clinal We assumed a symmetric binomial migration distribu-

tance alleles at each locus were subjected to the same population sizes. However, the number of favorable larments is quite low, at least for the *Ester* locus, and can important in the treated (urban and peri-urban areas) be explained by fitness differences between resistance than in the untreated areas (countryside). Third, beplacement over time is not documented. not be considered as a general feature of the species.

intensities, are autocorrelated in time: adjustments to selection intensities require only limited changes in fre- DISCUSSION quency.

patterns allowed us to infer in a single step the different tion with a reflecting condition on the sea coast. Deparparameters that are relevant to describe the dynamics tures from this assumption could exist due to several of local adaptation, *i.e.*, gene flow and selection coeffi- factors. First, the migration distribution may be more cients in the different part of the environment for each leptokurtic. This may not strongly affect the peak of locus. Additionally, the model developed permits us to linkage disequilibrium at the ecotone transition (see explain 92% of the total deviance of the data in a quite Mallet *et al.* 1990), but further work is required to economical manner. However, many simplifications settle this issue. Second, it is possible that density variawere assumed, and external estimations were used for tions may cause asymmetric flux of migrants. These some parameters. We will discuss these points in turn. variations in density may be caused by the control of *Models of selection:* We assumed that the different resis- mosquito populations in the treated area, which affects selection pressure. This is probably not true since allele val breeding sites varies as well and would tend to comreplacements were observed over the last 20 years (Guil- pensate for this effect: the density of *C. p. pipiens* larval lemaud *et al.* 1998). However, the rate of these replace- sites are associated with human activity, which is more alleles that are much lower $(1-2\%)$ than those between cause the density of hosts (for blood feeding) and of resistance and susceptible alleles (Guillemaud *et al.* larval sites is likely to vary along the transect, the hypoth-1998). Additionally, the fitted selection intensities may esis of a constant migration variance may be violated if mainly represent those associated with the most com-
most of the migration variance is due to foraging behavmon alleles. This is especially true for the *Ester* locus: ior (search for a blood meal and a site to lay eggs; among individuals that carry at least one resistance al-
Reisen *et al.* 1991). Fourth, the pattern of cytoplasmic lele, only 15% lack the *Ester4* allele. The situation may incompatibilities caused by Wolbachia endosymbionts not be as clear for the *Ace.1* locus, where both the *Ace.1^R* may cause local variation of the effective migration variand the duplicate *Ace.1^{RS}* alleles are present in non- ance (Magnin *et al.* 1987). For these reasons, the effecnegligible frequencies and where the rate of allele re- tive migration estimated in the Montpellier area may

dispersal: Many studies have investigated the active dis-

from Chevillon *et al.* (1995), using the method depends of Culex species by mark-recapture experiments.

Scribed in Rousset (1997). Samples were collected in Although none consider *C. p. pipiens*, plenty of data is 31 localities distributed along the Mediterranean coast available for *C. p. quinquefasciatus*, the tropical subspe-
(southern France and northern Spain) and analyz cies of *C. pipiens* (Mattingly *et al.* 1951), and other five loci. A regression of $F_{ST}/(1-F_{ST})$ estimates computed Culex species. These dispersal estimations are often bi-
ased toward low values either as a consequence of the graphical distance was performed using the Genepop ased toward low values either as a consequence of the graphical distance was performed using the Genepop small areas investigated (4 km, Morris *et al.* 1991; Rei-
software (ver. 3.1a; Raymond and Rousset 1995). A sen *et al.* 1991; 1.5 km, Schreiber *et al.* 1988) or of the significant isolation by distance was detected (Mantel absence of correction for dilution of sampling effort test, $P = 0.0123$). The slope of this regression w with distance (Reisen *et al.* 1991, 1992). In all these studies, some individuals were trapped close to the limit mosquitoes (Rousset 1997). The estimate of $De \sigma^2$ is of the trapping grid. Morris *et al.* (1991) report a mean 16.3 individuals. Using our estimate of $\sigma = 6.6$ distance traveled (mdt) per day for three Culex species km·gen^{-1/2}, the estimate of the density De is 0.37 individ-(0.73, 0.76, and 0.84 km for *C. erraticus*, *C. nigripalpus*, and *C. salinarius*, respectively), and Schreiber *et al.* to the mosquito densities observed in the field during

Figure 3.—Maximum likelihood estimates (bold line) of the standard deviation of parent-offspring distance (σ in $km\text{-}gen^{-1/2}$) as a function of the recombination rate (*r*) between the *Ace.1* and *Ester* loci. Outer lines correspond to the support limits of σ . The small circle is the joint maximum likelihood of r and σ , and the dashed ellipse the joint support area for both r and σ .

quinquefasciatus. Over a period of 12 days, Reisen *et al.* report an mdt between 0.6 and 1 km (1991) or 2 km (1992) for *C. p. quinquefasciatus* (which are both strongly biased; see above), and O'Donnell *et al.* (1992) estimated an mdt of 6.8 km for *C. annulirostris.* Given an average of 8–10 days from adult emergence to the first oviposition (Lowe *et al.* 1973; Smittle *et al.* 1973; Weidhaas *et al.* 1973), these estimates are in agreement with ours (6.6 km·gen^{-1/2} corresponds to an mdt of 0.66–0.82 km/day), although it appears that mark-recapture experiments should be performed on a larger scale to give more reliable estimates of dispersal for Culex species.

Migration-drift equilibrium: The relative magnitude of Figure 2.—Fitted and observed clines and linkage disequi-
librium. (a) Linkage disequilibrium D (see text); (b) {S,O}
frequency; (c) {R,O} frequency; (d) {S,E} frequency; (e) {R,E} frequency; (e) {R,E} frequency; (e) {R,E} frequency. Circles represent observed values and lines fitted weighs drift in *C. p. pipiens* populations, which is in good agreement with our high estimate of migration variance. However, our estimate of σ allows us to disentangle drift and migration and to estimate average effective **Comparison with other estimates:** *Direct measures of* population densities. We reanalyzed the allozymic data scribed in Rousset (1997). Samples were collected in (southern France and northern Spain) and analyzed at software (ver. 3.1a; Raymond and Rousset 1995). A test, $P = 0.0123$. The slope of this regression was used to estimate $1/(4 \text{ De}.\pi\sigma^2)$, where De is the density of uals per km^2 . This result is surprising when compared (1988) report a mdt of 1.27 km after 36 hr for *C. p.* the breeding season $(10^4 - 10^7 \text{ individuals/km}^2;$ Reisen

et al. 1991, 1992; Lindquist *et al.* 1967). This strongly mating gene flow from selected loci, the selection pressuggests that mosquito populations are heterogeneous sure is taken explicitly into account. This situation presin space, that they vary seasonally, and that they endure ents different advantages. First, there is no need to severe bottlenecks. A simple explanation of these results formulate *ad hoc* hypotheses concerning neutrality of would be the low density of the founders in early spring. markers; second, few markers are needed; and third, High mortality rates during overwintering (up to 80– predictable frequency patterns are expected and can 90%; Minar and Ryba 1971; Sulaiman and Service be tested. However, this method requires that some 1983) and between pupation and oviposition (90%; genes be identified that are subjected to clear selection Lowe *et al.* 1973; Weidhaas *et al.* 1973) have been re- pressures and that some conclusion be made a priori ported, and weather-related mortality is likely to occur concerning these selection pressures. Additionally, this in the spring due to a fall of temperature after warming method permits working at a restricted scale in time periods. Finally, it is also possible that the *De* estimate and space where assumptions of constant population is not totally accurate due to the different scales of the sizes and homogeneity of space are the most reliable. two approaches. In particular, it is possible to take explicitly into account

on *Ace.1* locus (*si* ≈ 0.30) was higher than on *Ester* locus geographic barriers), if needed. The drawback is that $(s_i \approx 0.16)$. This is consistent with the resistance ratio such estimates can hardly be representative of other associated with these loci: the insensitive AChE1 confers environmental conditions because they are not avera higher level of resistance. However, even if selection aged over a long period of time and over large geohas been clearly associated with OP insecticides, it has graphic areas. However, they provide an "instantaneous" never been measured in natural populations. The evalu- measure of dispersal that is the most pertinent for the ation of fitness costs is even less straightforward because area, the period, and the scale considered, especially in all fitness components can be influenced during both the case of recent local adaptation. In this respect, these larval and adult stages. For example, larval development measures may be comparable to mark-recapture estitime, fecundity, susceptibility to parasites or predators, mates. However, direct measures of dispersal do not ability to blood feed, etc., can be modified by the pres- provide estimates of effective gene flow and may miss ence of resistance genes (*e.g.*, Wood and Bishop 1981; long-distance migrants because individuals are often Roush and McKenzie 1987). For *C. p. pipiens*, some trapped at the limit of the trapping grid. fitness costs on larval development time and female We have estimated gene flow using two selected gefecundity have been experimentally found in natural netic markers. This estimation is an essential step in populations (Bourguet 1996). The presence of the understanding the dynamics of selected genes when *Ace. I*^{*R*} allele increased the generation time by 4.3%. In selection pressures vary in space and time. We have an exponential growth phase of the population (during focused on the selection-migration equilibrium on a the spring), this difference gives an estimation of fitness local scale, considering gene flow as a "constraining cost (*c*) between 0.07 and 0.13 for an effective fecundity force" reducing the potential for local adaptation. Howbetween five and 25 offspring. This estimation may be ever, on a much wider scale, gene flow is also responsible conservative, because only larval development time is for the spread of resistance alleles across the species taken into account and indicates that our estimates are range mainly by passive migration (Qiao and Raymond not overestimated ($c \approx 0.11$ and 0.06 for *Ace.1* and *Ester*, 1995; Guillemaud *et al.* 1996 and reference therein). respectively). At these two scales, gene flow may not be comparable,

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