

1 **Natural selection shapes variation in genome-wide
2 recombination rate in *Drosophila pseudoobscura***

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15 **Summary**

16 While recombination is widely recognized to be a key modulator of numerous evolutionary
17 phenomena, we have a poor understanding of how recombination rate itself varies and evolves
18 within a species. Here, we performed a comprehensive study of recombination rate (rate of meiotic
19 crossing over) in two natural populations of *Drosophila pseudoobscura* from Utah and Arizona, USA.

20 We used an amplicon sequencing approach to obtain high-quality genotypes in approximately 8000
21 individual backcrossed offspring (17 mapping populations with roughly 530 individuals each), for
22 which we then quantified crossovers. Interestingly, variation in recombination rate within and
23 between populations largely manifested as differences in genome-wide recombination rate rather
24 than remodeling of the local recombination landscape. Comparing populations, we discovered
25 individuals from the Utah population displayed on average 8% higher crossover rates than the
26 Arizona population, a statistically significant difference. Using a Q_{st} - F_{st} analysis, we found that this
27 difference in crossover rate was dramatically higher than expected under neutrality, indicating that
28 this difference may have been driven by natural selection. Finally, using a combination of short and
29 long read whole-genome sequencing, we found no significant association between crossover rate
30 and structural variation at the 200-400kb scale. Our results demonstrate that (1) there is abundant
31 variation in genome-wide crossover rate in natural populations, (2) at the 200-400kb scale,
32 recombination rate appears to vary largely genome wide, rather than in specific intervals and (3)
33 interpopulation differences in recombination rate may be the result of local adaptation.

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36 Introduction

37 Meiotic recombination is the exchange of genetic material between homologous chromosomes that
38 occurs during meiosis. This exchange has two major forms, crossing over and non-crossover gene
39 conversion, both of which are initiated by the formation of a double-strand break during meiosis.
40 Recombination, particularly crossing over, is a key mediator of chromosome pairing during meiosis,
41 with most species exhibiting an average of one crossover per chromosome arm [1,2].

42 While physical constraints often set a lower bound on rates of recombination, the evolution of
43 recombination rate and particularly the rate of crossing over (i.e., number of crossovers per
44 generation in a genomic interval) can have far-reaching effects on nearly every evolutionary
45 process [2-4]. For example, recombination rates can modulate processes as diverse as adaptation
46 to a new environment, the evolution of reproductive isolation, and the dynamics of introgression
47 between populations [5-8]. More generally, recombination rate determines the degree to which an
48 individual's parental chromosomes are mixed in their gametes – i.e., how often novel allelic
49 combinations are generated in their gametes. Increases or decreases in this rate can be favored

50 under different evolutionary or ecological conditions. For example, increasing the rate of
51 recombination can facilitate adaptation by increasing the probability that adaptive and maladaptive
52 alleles will be decoupled or that adaptive alleles will be brought together in the same genotype (i.e.,
53 overcome Hill-Robertson interference [9]). Increased rates of recombination are similarly favored
54 when fitness optima change rapidly between generations, e.g., under fluctuating selection [10]. On
55 the other hand, lower recombination rates can be favored under scenarios in which adaptive
56 combinations of alleles are at risk of being broken apart, such as under maladaptive gene flow [11].
57 Reduction/suppression also appears to have important consequences for the evolution of
58 reproductive isolation [11,12] and patterns of introgression and divergence in the genome
59 [8,13,14].

60 While there is a rich theoretical literature focused on the evolution of recombination rate, empirical
61 studies have lagged somewhat behind. One reason for this may be that recombination rate is
62 difficult to quantify directly – it generally requires the construction of a linkage map from a genetic
63 cross and/or cytological visualization of recombination-associated proteins [2,15,16]. Recently,
64 many studies have attempted to overcome this difficulty by instead estimating a population genetic
65 quantity known as ρ , the *population scaled recombination rate* [17]. This quantity is the product of
66 four times the effective population size and realized recombination rate (sometimes denoted “c”)
67 [18]. The general approach to estimating ρ is to perform coalescent simulations and fit a simulated
68 value of ρ to observed patterns of linkage disequilibrium (LD) [19–21]. While this approach has
69 proven successful at recapitulating many of the general features of the recombination landscape in
70 many species, it is not able to disentangle changes in LD *per se* (e.g. as a result of selection or
71 demography) from changes in recombination rate (either locally or genome-wide) [21,22]. Further,
72 these methods are highly sensitive to increases in LD that occur as a result of gene flow between
73 populations [22–24]. As such, LD-based methods are likely to be less appropriate for the study of
74 the evolution of recombination rate than direct estimates of recombination rate.

75 In spite of methodological difficulties, there has been a recent resurgence of interest in the
76 empirical study of the evolutionary causes and consequences of recombination rate [2,4,25]. One
77 key contributor to this resurgence has been the democratization of high throughput genotyping,
78 which has increased the tractability of creating high density linkage maps in non-model species (e.g.
79 using pedigree populations or gametic sequencing, [26,27]). The increased availability of such
80 linkage maps has in turn led to a growing appreciation of the enormous diversity in recombination

81 rate that exists between taxa [25]. This variation can manifest globally, i.e. genome-wide, or locally,
82 i.e. along a specific tract of a chromosome [25,28].

83 Studies using direct estimates of recombination rate have largely focused on describing differences
84 in recombination between species or sexes [25,29,30]. However, there are surprisingly few studies
85 focused on directly testing *evolutionary* hypotheses concerning variation in recombination rate. For
86 example, a key question that emerges from the theoretical literature is: is variation in
87 recombination rate shaped by natural selection [5,10,31]? While a tempting research direction, the
88 difficulty in measuring and manipulating recombination rate makes testing adaptive hypothesis a
89 non-trivial enterprise [2,4]. One approach may be experimental evolution, in which the proposed
90 selective agent that favors/disfavors changes in recombination rate is experimentally varied,
91 evolved differences in recombination rate are quantified, and these differences are then compared
92 to a null (non-adaptive) expectation [32]. This approach is powerful but highly laborious and
93 difficult to apply to natural systems. A more broadly applicable method for detecting the influence
94 of natural selection on a quantitative trait is perhaps the Q_{st} - F_{st} approach [33]. Originating in the
95 quantitative genetics literature, this powerful method is designed to answer the question: are the
96 observed differences between populations in a quantitative trait greater than expected on the basis
97 of drift alone [33,34]? This question is formalized as a statistical hypothesis test that compares
98 variation in a quantitative trait (Q_{st}) within and between populations to a null distribution of
99 variation in neutral genetic markers (F_{st}) within and between populations [34,35]. While the Q_{st} - F_{st}
100 is subject to many of the same limitations and assumptions as other methods for studying natural
101 selection in the wild it is also has a number of advantages, including the ability to detect very
102 recent natural selection and robustness to a variety of common demographic perturbations (e.g.
103 changes in population size or levels of migration). While the Q_{st} - F_{st} method has enjoyed great
104 success in the quantitative and evolutionary genetics literature, it has not yet been applied to
105 testing the role of selection in shaping recombination rate. Given its flexibility and applicability to
106 any quantitative trait, we see Q_{st} - F_{st} as an ideal approach to this problem.

107 Along with quantifying intraspecific variation and the role of natural selection, we also have a poor
108 understanding of the genetic basis of differences in recombination rate between populations and
109 species. As is the case for other traits, identifying the genetic architecture of evolutionary changes
110 in recombination rate allows for a more complete explanation for how and why recombination rate
111 evolves [36]. One specific question is the degree to which variation in recombination rate manifests
112 as a local vs. global phenomenon. Local variation in recombination can arise due to structural

113 variants that suppress recombination such as inversions and large deletions [37–39]. In contrast,
114 global variation can arise from mutations in the genes involved in meiosis and/or double-strand
115 break repair pathways [40]. Modifiers of both global and local rates of recombination have been
116 identified in laboratory and/or interspecific crosses, but their occurrence in natural populations of
117 individual species is only just beginning to be explored [26,29,40–42].

118 Here, we performed a comprehensive study of recombination rate (meiotic rates of crossover) in
119 two natural populations of *Drosophila pseudoobscura* from Utah and Arizona, USA. We made use of
120 modern sequencing and genetic map construction methods, along with the Q_{st} - F_{st} approach. We first
121 constructed individual-level genetic maps and discovered ample quantitative genetic variation for
122 recombination rate within and between populations of *D. pseudoobscura*. Interestingly, we found
123 that this variation largely manifested as differences in genome-wide recombination rate rather than
124 remodeling of the local recombination landscape. Interindividual differences in local genome
125 structure (e.g. structural variation) did not appear to influence recombination rate at the scale of
126 measurement, again suggesting that variation in recombination rate is largely governed by global
127 modifiers. Finally, using the Q_{st} - F_{st} approach, we discovered that between-population differences in
128 recombination rate are much greater than expected under a pure-drift model, suggesting that
129 natural selection may have shaped recombination rate variation in *D. pseudoobscura*. Together,
130 these results provide direct evidence for genetic variation in global modifiers of recombination and
131 support the hypothesis that natural selection can and does act to shape recombination rate in
132 natural populations.

133 Results

134 Genome wide recombination rate varies within and between populations

135 Genome-wide recombination rate varied significantly within and between the *D. pseudoobscura*
136 populations we studied. Within lines, there was a range of 4.27–5.86 crossovers per genome,
137 corresponding to 0.85–1.00 crossovers per chromosome arm on average (Figure 1A). This
138 between-line variation was statistically significant ($p < 2.2 \times 10^{-16}$, Likelihood Ratio Test Statistic=
139 141.13, $df=1$, comparison via dropping random effect of inbred line). At the population level, lines
140 from American Fork Canyon, UT had 5.20 ± 0.17 crossovers per genome on average, while lines
141 from Madera Canyon, AZ had 4.82 ± 0.21 crossovers per genome on average, a significant difference

142 in genome-wide crossover rate (Figure 1B, Type II Wald Test, $p=0.018$, $df=1$; Likelihood Ratio Test,
143 $\chi^2_1=4.794$, $p=0.028$).

144 That said, despite genome-wide differences, the local rates of recombination were extremely
145 similar among individuals and populations (Figure 1C & Figure 2A, $R^2 = 0.96$, correlation test $t =$
146 68.866 , $df = 207$, $< 2.2 \times 10^{-16}$). Indeed, in contrast to the aggregate genome wide difference we
147 observed in Figure 1B, only 19 of the 209 recombination intervals we assayed displayed significant
148 population-specific differences at the $\alpha = 0.05$ level, and none were significant after FDR correction
149 (Figure S4). That said, some recombination intervals did show a significant effect of inbred line
150 identity (Figure S5) suggesting that there may be genetic variation for local recombination rates at
151 the 200-400kb scale. Finally, we found that chromosome-scale recombination rates were highly
152 correlated *within* lines, such that there was a strong trend that lines with high recombination rate
153 on one chromosome tended to also have high recombination on other chromosomes (Figure 2B;
154 average $R^2 = 0.78$, all correlations significant via correlation tests, $p < 0.0001$). In sum, these results
155 suggest that phenotypic variation in recombination rate within and between populations largely
156 manifests at the genome-wide scale. That said, our marker density prevents us from ruling out
157 finer-scale population-level differences in the recombination landscape (i.e. at the <200kb scale).

158 Population differences in recombination rate are greater than expected under neutrality
159 As expected from previous studies, genetic divergence between Madera Canyon, AZ and American
160 Fork Canyon, UT was very low: genome-wide Weir and Cockerham's F_{ST} was approximately 0.0039
161 (Figure 3A, mean F_{ST} of 6 591 high quality SNPs, $MAF > 0.1$, $LD > 0.2$; F_{ST} computed using WGS from
162 inbred lines was highly similar). Examining variation in recombination rate, we estimated a within
163 population (between line) variance component of 0.066 and a between population variance
164 component of 0.018, yielding an observed Q_{ST} of 0.212 (Figure 3A, dashed arrow). Our parametric
165 bootstrap simulations of Q_{ST}^n suggest that this value of Q_{ST} is highly unlikely to be observed under
166 neutrality (0 of 10,000 Q_{ST}^n replicates were greater than the observed value of Q_{ST} , thus $p < 1.0 \times 10^{-6}$).
167 Similarly, the parametric bootstrap estimates of $Q_{ST} - F_{ST}$ under neutrality do not overlap with
168 the parametric bootstrap observed values of $Q_{ST} - F_{ST}$, even when taking into account sampling
169 variance (Figure 3B). Together, these results indicate that while the observed phenotypic difference
170 in recombination rate between MC and AFC is modest, it greatly exceeds its expected value under
171 neutrality. This result is consistent with the hypothesis that natural selection has driven the
172 observed difference in recombination rates between populations.

173 Nonsynonymous differences in meiosis genes are correlated with recombination rate
174 Of the 46 candidate genes examined, 33 had at least one non-synonymous polymorphism. Of these
175 33 genes, there were a total of 357 codons (out of a total of 29 964) with at least one non-
176 synonymous polymorphism. After controlling for multiple comparisons three of these sites in two
177 genes (*asp* and *mei-41*) were significantly associated with crossover rate (FDR adjusted p-value <
178 0.05, Figure 4A). Both *asp* and *mei-41* play key roles in meiosis and recombination: *asp* is involved in
179 spindle pole formation during cell division (both mitotic and meiotic) whereas *mei-41* (also known
180 as ATR) is an important regulator of double strand break repair and meiosis checkpoint activation
181 [43,44]. Heterozygous, nonsynonymous polymorphisms in these genes were associated with a 5%-
182 7% difference in recombination rate between lines (Figure 4B). There was, however, strong LD (r^2
183 > 0.8) between these alleles (e.g. lines with the lowest averaged crossover rates shared genotypic
184 states for all three genes), and thus disentangling their independent effects on recombination rate
185 was not possible. We also note that the small number of lines examined here precluded more
186 powerful association methods (e.g. full GWAS) and further work will be required to experimentally
187 validate the contribution of these genes to variation in recombination rate.

188 Structural variation does not explain differences in recombination rate
189 Both short and long-read sequencing revealed extensive structural variation between inbred lines
190 of *D. pseudoobscura*. As expected, the three strategies we used to detect structural variation (GATK
191 INDELs, PacBio SV and LUMPY/Smoove) varied in the number and relative proportions of the
192 various classes of structural variant they identified (Figure S6). That said, all three methods
193 suggested that the most common form of structural variation are small to mid-sized (10-100bp)
194 INDELs, with larger deletions, insertions, and duplications being much rarer (Figure S6). Consistent
195 with the observation that AFC and MC are highly similar in their chromosomal arrangements, our
196 structural variant analysis found no evidence of large-scale chromosomal inversions differentiating
197 any of the lines.

198 Structural variation between lines did not co-vary with recombination rate (Figure 5). First, there
199 was no relationship between recombination rate and the estimated percent sequence homology
200 between the tester and inbred lines (Figure 5B, likelihood ratio test comparison of GLMMs, df = 3, p
201 = 0.3989). Second, there was no relationship between recombination rate and the count of
202 differences in structural alleles between each inbred line and the tester line (Figure 5A, likelihood
203 ratio test comparison of GLMMs, df = 3, p = 0.7617). This result was consistent across all methods

204 used to identify structural variation (likelihood ratio tests, comparison of GLMMs with and without
205 method by count/homology interaction effects, all $p > 0.3$). As such, at the 300kb scale, there is no
206 evidence that the local differences in recombination rate among inbred lines are a result of
207 differences in homology or local genome structure.

208 Discussion

209 Recombination rate is a key modulator of many evolutionary processes, yet we have a poor
210 understanding of how recombination rate itself evolves. Here, we studied how recombination rate
211 varies using strains from two natural populations of *D. pseudoobscura* from Madera Canyon, AZ and
212 American Fork Canyon, UT. We directly measured recombination rate in a total of 17 inbred lines
213 from these populations and found substantial variation for recombination rate both within and
214 between populations. Interestingly, the population from Madera Canyon, AZ exhibited an ~8%
215 lower recombination rate on average than the population from American Fork Canyon, UT. Within
216 and between-population variation in recombination rate manifested largely as differences in
217 genome-wide recombination rate, rather than changes in the local recombination landscape. This
218 finding is supported by a general pattern of covariation in recombination rate among chromosomes
219 within lines. That said, our choice to assay greater numbers of individuals in fewer genomic
220 intervals prevents us from ruling out the possibility of finer-scale differences in the recombination
221 landscape between populations and lines. While overall differences in recombination rates between
222 populations were modest in absolute terms (~8% depending on the interval), a Q_{st} - F_{st} analysis
223 revealed that this difference vastly exceeds the amount of phenotypic divergence expected under
224 neutral drift. This result is consistent with the hypothesis that local adaptation has driven
225 differences in recombination rate between these populations.

226 We explored two possible mechanisms underlying recombination rate differences between lines.
227 First, we found evidence that some differences in recombination rate between lines may involve
228 non-synonymous coding changes in meiosis-related genes. Secondly, we found that local variation
229 in recombination rate between lines does not correlate with local structural variation at the 300kb
230 scale. These findings suggest that the differences in recombination we observed were driven by
231 alleles resulting in genome-wide changes in recombination rate rather than local remodeling of the
232 recombination landscape. Below, we discuss the relevance of our findings for the study of the
233 evolution of recombination rate and relationships to previous work.

234 Recombination rate variation in natural populations

235 Previous work has shown that recombination can vary between individuals, or between
236 populations/species [25,26,45–47]. These studies have ranged from early work on chiasma
237 frequency in snails [48] to more recent work leveraging modern human population genomic data
238 [49,50]. The bulk of this work has focused on describing variation in recombination and its
239 potential molecular correlates. Further, most studies of natural populations have measured
240 recombination in uncontrolled environments (e.g. in the wild, [25]. Our study contributes to this
241 literature directly examining genetic variation for recombination rate both within and between
242 natural populations of a single species and performing one of the first tests that this variation is
243 shaped by natural selection. Together with previous work, our study contributes to a growing body
244 of evidence that there is ample genetic variation for recombination rate in natural populations, and
245 that recombination rate is actively evolving on observable timescales.

246 Secondly, we found that recombination rate varies primarily at the genome-wide scale rather than
247 via variation in specific genomic regions. Our candidate gene analysis suggests that this variation in
248 genome-wide recombination rate may be the result of allelic variation in meiosis-related genes (i.e.
249 *asp* and *mei-41*). This is in line with previous work connecting genetic variation in genes regulating
250 meiosis and/or crossover formation to variation in genome-wide recombination rate
251 [29,47,49,51,52]. The emerging evidence for natural variation in genome-wide modifiers of
252 recombination is particularly intriguing given that many theoretical models of recombination
253 evolution make use of abstract “modifier” alleles that alter genome wide rates of recombination
254 [5,6]. Further characterization of such modifiers in natural populations may eventually allow direct
255 tests of theoretical models of recombination evolution [2].

256 Local adaptation of recombination rate

257 Our Q_{st} - F_{st} analysis suggests that differences in recombination rate between *Drosophila*
258 *pseudoobscura* populations from AZ and UT may have been driven by natural selection. To our
259 knowledge, this is the first application of the Q_{st} - F_{st} method to the study of recombination, and
260 among the first evidence for the role of selection acting on genome-wide recombination rate in
261 natural populations [40]. However, while our results suggest a role for natural selection, the agent
262 of selection underlying this change remains unknown. There are a wide variety of possible
263 explanations for this difference [2]. For example, differences in recombination between the

264 populations may be directly favored, or other phenotypic differences may be divergently selected
265 between the populations that incidentally affect recombination rate (via linkage or pleiotropy). One
266 intriguing possibility is local differences in climate: recombination rate in *Drosophila* is known to be
267 plastic with respect to ambient temperature [53]. Madera Canyon, Arizona has a mean annual
268 temperature of approximately eleven degrees Celsius higher than American Fork Canyon, Utah
269 (10.5°C vs 21.6°C, [54]). Assuming that the temperature reaction norm is similar in both
270 populations, this higher temperature could, for example, cause an increase in realized
271 recombination rate in the Madera Canyon population in the wild. We speculate that the difference
272 in recombination rate we observed under constant conditions may be a compensatory response to
273 an environmentally-induced increase in recombination rate in order to return genome-wide
274 recombination rate to some optimum value (i.e., a response to maladaptive plasticity, [55]).
275 Further work will naturally be needed to connect variation in recombination rates to specific agents
276 of selection. One obvious extension of our approach would be a greater number of populations,
277 perhaps existing over a climatic gradient (or paired populations in differing environments). We
278 hope that our demonstration of the efficacy of the Q_{st} - F_{st} method inspires the undertaking of such
279 eco-evolutionary studies of recombination rate.

280 One caveat regarding our application of the Q_{st} - F_{st} method is that our estimates of recombination
281 come from F1s, and we were thus only able to observe genetic variation underlain by dominant and
282 co-dominant effects. This is not ideal, as it potentially alters the distribution of Q_{st} relative to F_{st} ,
283 which could bias the outcome of the Q_{st} - F_{st} test [35]. A dedicated simulation study aimed at
284 understanding the direction and magnitude of this bias would be of great utility for future work on
285 recombination using inbred lines.

286 Structural variation as a modulator of recombination rate

287 We found no association between among-line variation in recombination rate and among-line
288 variation in the abundance or size of structural variants. An important consideration here is that
289 this analysis was not intended to test whether *average* recombination rate (across all lines) is
290 associated with structural variation – this association is extremely well documented and is
291 unquestionably present in our data [56–58]. Instead, our goal was to test if among-line variation in
292 recombination rate in each genomic interval was explained by among-line structural differences,
293 using normalized metrics of both recombination rate and structural variation within each genomic
294 interval (as Z-scores, i.e. statistical controlling for average recombination rate).

295 Why was there no detectable association between structural variation and local rates of
296 recombination? For one, our F1 cross design is not able to detect recessive-acting effects of
297 structural variation (e.g. those that only affect recombination in homozygous form). Secondly, a key
298 consideration in interpreting these results is the *scale* of our recombination estimates: much of the
299 previous work describing the effects of heterozygous structural variation on crossing-over was
300 performed at much finer scale, e.g. <1kb in *Arabidopsis* [59]. It may be that changes in
301 recombination resulting from structural variation are restricted to finer genomic scales (i.e.
302 <300kb) and that other types of regulators (e.g. variation in meiosis genes or the chromatin
303 landscape) modulate recombination at larger scale [40]. A notable exception to this is large scale
304 chromosomal inversions (notably absent in our lines), which are well known to affect
305 recombination at scales much larger than 300kb – upwards of 10Mb in many cases [60,61].
306 However, inversions likely have outsized recombination suppressing effects compared to other
307 forms of non-homology because of the loop structures they form during chromosome pairing
308 [60,62]. Further work will be required to disentangle the relative contribution of structural and
309 global/trans modifiers of recombination rate at different genomic scales.

310 Amplicon sequencing as a tool for genetic maps

311 Our ability to economically sequence hundreds of markers in thousands of individuals was made
312 possible by the GT-seq amplicon sequencing approach [63]. This technique is highly scalable, and
313 in our case, we likely could have sequenced many more markers (and/or individuals) while
314 maintaining a very high depth per amplicon. This method is an alternative to the increasingly
315 popular bulk-sequencing approaches, in which sample DNA is pooled prior to sequencing [64]. GT-
316 seq avoids some of the complexity of these approaches. For one, because it is a PCR-based method,
317 GT-seq does not require performing extraction, quantification and manual normalization of sample
318 DNA. This is a non-trivial consideration when individual sample sizes are in the thousands. Further,
319 unlike bulk-sequencing, amplicon sequencing provides individual-level genotypes. As such, the
320 occurrence of double/triple/etc. crossovers can be directly resolved, and problematic individuals
321 identified and removed during analyses. To our knowledge, these are both not currently possible
322 with bulk sequencing (unless barcodes are employed, limiting the total number of individuals in the
323 pool). The main drawbacks of amplicon sequencing are a decrease in resolution (number of
324 markers), and the need to pre-identify mapping informative markers. That said, we believe GT-seq
325 and amplicon sequencing more generally will be a useful tool for future studies of variation in

326 recombination rate and can be readily paired with other approaches depending on the goals of the
327 study.

328 Conclusion

329 Recombination rate plays an important modulatory role in many evolutionary processes, but little
330 is known about how recombination rate itself evolves. Here, we studied natural variation in
331 recombination rate within and between two populations of *Drosophila pseudoobscura*. We found
332 extensive genetic variation for recombination rate within and between populations, with the
333 majority of variation detected manifesting as differences in overall genome-wide recombination
334 rate. This suggests that the differences in recombination we detected between lines may be the
335 result of genetic variation in trans-acting global regulators of recombination, an idea supported by a
336 significant association between non-synonymous variation in meiosis-associated genes and
337 recombination rate. We also found no evidence that among-line differences in local recombination
338 rate at the 300kb scale were correlated with structural variation within the lines. Finally, we
339 discovered that the magnitude of phenotypic difference in recombination rate between the two
340 populations was far greater than expected under a model of neutral trait evolution, suggesting that
341 the differences may have been driven by natural selection. Our study provides key insights in the
342 quantitative genetics of recombination rate and lays the groundwork for future research focused on
343 studying the recombination rate in natural populations.

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358 **Declaration of Interests**

359 The authors declare no competing interests.

360 **Supplemental Information**

361 Document S1; Supplemental Figures S1-6.

362 Table S1 - Per-chromosome counts of crossover events for all lines.

363 Table S2 - Fine scale estimates of crossover location for all lines.

364 Table S3 - List of *D. melanogaster* candidate genes and *D. pseudoobscura* homologues.

365 Table S4 - List of primers used in GT-seq library preparation.

366 **Figure Legends (Main Text)**

367 **Figure 1 | Recombination rate varies within and between populations of *D. pseudoobscura*.** (A) Variation in
368 genome-wide crossing over frequency for 17 inbred lines. Lines are colored according to their population of origin
369 (Green, MC: Madera Canyon, AZ, Red, AFC: American Fork Canyon, UT.). Points depict the mean crossover frequency for
370 each line with vertical lines representing 95% confidence intervals (n = 384 per line). (B) Differences in crossover
371 frequency between AFC and MC. Jittered points are individual line means (from A), and larger points are marginal means
372 derived from mixed model regression coefficients along with 95% confidence intervals (error bars). (C) Variation in
373 recombination rate across the genome. Each panel depicts recombination rate along a single chromosome arm (columns)
374 in one of two populations (rows). Thick lines depict population average recombination rates, with lighter lines depicting
375 rates for individual inbred lines. Note that in *D. pseudoobscura* the X chromosome takes the place of a chromosome “1”.
376 See Figure S3 for an example of GLMM model fit diagnostics for this and other statistical comparisons.
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378 **Figure 2 | Recombination rate varies primarily at the genome-wide scale.** (A) The correlation between
379 recombination rate measured in genomic windows (~300kb in size) in the MC and AFC populations. Each dot depicts a
380 single genomic window (all chromosomes combined). (B) The correlation between chromosome-wide mean
381 recombination rate between all pairs of chromosomes. Each point represents the recombination rate on two
382 chromosomes for a single inbred line. Points and lines are colored to indicate the particular pair of chromosomes being

383 compared. Positive trends indicate that recombination rates are consistent across chromosomes within lines (i.e. they
384 vary genome-wide, and not idiosyncratically across chromosomes). See Figure S2 for comparisons of marker orders and
385 recombination fractions between line-specific genetic maps, and S4 and S5 for more detailed analyses of local variation in
386 recombination rate.

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388 **Figure 3 | Recombination rate Q_{st} - F_{st} exceeds neutral expectations.** (A) Weir and Cockerham's F_{st} from 6591 RADseq-
389 derived SNPs (mean $F_{st} = 0.0039$). The observed value of Q_{st} for recombination rate (0.212) is indicated with an arrow. (B)
390 Comparisons of the sampling distribution of Q_{st} - F_{st} expected under neutrality (green histogram) and the observed value
391 (yellow histogram). Both distributions were simulated via a parametric bootstrap (see text). Black points with error bars
392 indicate the mean and 95% confidence interval of the sampling distributions.

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394 **Figure 4 | Non-synonymous substitutions associated with variation in recombination rate.** (A) Regression
395 coefficients from linear models (y-axis) comparing genotype and crossover rate for sites (points) bearing non-
396 synonymous, non-reference polymorphisms in a collection of meiosis-related candidate genes (x-axis). Red points
397 indicate associations that were significant after adjustment via FDR correction (adjusted p-value < 0.05). (B) Mean
398 recombination rates (crossovers per chromosome arm) for sites with significant associations (red points in A). Each panel
399 depicts the mean and 95% confidence interval for crossover rates for each genotypic class (either homozygous reference
400 or homozygous non-synonymous derived). cs.

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402 **Figure 5 | Structural variation is not correlated with recombination rate at the 300kb scale.** (A) The relationship
403 between normalized recombination rate and the normalized count of structural differences between each inbred line and
404 the tester line. Each point represents a single recombination interval (all approximately 300kb in length) from one inbred
405 line. Lines on each plot represent smoothed conditional means and are accompanied by 95% confidence intervals. Each
406 column depicts the relationship using each of the three methods used to assay structural variation. (B) The relationship
407 between normalized recombination rate and the difference in total sequence length between each inbred line and the
408 tester line. See Figure S6 for a detailed summary of the frequency and size of different classes of structural variation.

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410 **Figure 6 | Schematic of the crossing design and one method of interfering crossovers.** (a) Isolines from MC and AFC
411 were individually crossed to tester lines to generate F1s, which were subsequently crossed to a "donor line" sharing the
412 same genotype as all isolines, but a different genotype than the tester line at all marker loci. Further, all markers were
413 selected such that only two alleles were found in all lines, with the tester line having one allele ("1") and all other lines
414 including the donor line having the other ("0"). This allows for the scoring of crossovers as changes in heterozygosity, as
415 shown in (b). (c) Example genotypic data from one chromosome showing the number of inferred crossovers. White
416 genotype states indicate missing data. See also Figure S1 for details on the performance of GT-seq .

417 **STAR★Methods**

418 **LEAD CONTACT AND MATERIALS AVAILABILITY**

419 Further information and requests for resources and protocols should be directed to and will be
420 fulfilled by the Lead Contact, Dr. Kieran Samuk (ksamuk@gmail.com). This study did not generate
421 new unique reagents.

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423 **EXPERIMENTAL MODEL AND SUBJECT DETAILS**

424 We collected wild male and female *Drosophila pseudoobscura* from Madera Canyon, AZ, USA
425 (31°42'48.9"N, 110°52'22.4"W) and American Fork Canyon, UT, USA (40°26'38.9"N,
426 111°42'08.5"W) in May and July of 2015 respectively using bucket traps [65]. These populations
427 were chosen because they were known to share similar karyotypic configurations (e.g. inversions)
428 but also differ in their ecological context (i.e. xeric vs. sub-alpine). We returned live individuals to
429 the laboratory, isolated females, and created inbred lines from their offspring (one line per
430 surviving female). These lines were created by successive crosses between virgin siblings for a
431 minimum of 14 generations. The inbred lines (and all subsequent lines) were reared in 20C
432 incubators with 65% relative humidity and photoperiods of 14D:10N. The inbreeding process
433 resulted in a total of 7 inbred lines from Arizona and 12 from Utah.

434 **METHOD DETAILS**

435 RAD-seq libraries from wild samples

436 To generate a set of SNPs for estimating F_{sr} between the Utah and Arizona populations, we
437 performed double-digest RAD-seq reduced representation sequencing. To begin, we extracted DNA
438 from single wild-caught individuals (excluding the females used to initiate the inbred lines) via
439 phenol-chloroform DNA extraction. We then performed a RAD-seq library preparation protocol
440 after [66]. The resulting libraries were sequenced in a single lane on an Illumina HiSeq 4000 at the
441 Duke Center for Genomic and Computational Biology sequencing facility.

442 Whole genome sequencing of inbred lines

443 We performed both short read and long read whole genome sequencing on all 17 inbred lines, as
444 well as our testers line (MV2-25 and Flagstaff-14). The short read libraries were prepared by first
445 performing phenol-chloroform DNA extractions from pools of 20-30 individual female flies. We
446 quantified DNA purity and concentration via Nanodrop (Thermofisher Inc.) and Qubit (Qiagen Inc.).
447 The DNA samples were then submitted for library preparation and sequencing via Illumina
448 NovaSeq (300-400bp insert, 150bp paired end reads) at the Duke Center for Genomic and
449 Computational Biology sequencing facility.

450 The long-read libraries were prepared by first performing high-molecular weight DNA extractions
451 from pools of 20-30 female flies using Qiagen Midi/Mini Prep DNA extraction kits (Qiagen Inc.).
452 These were then assessed for fragment size via standard gel electrophoresis and submitted for
453 sequencing on a PacBio Sequel (4 SMRT cells, 4-5 samples multiplexed per cell) at the Duke Center
454 for Genomic and Computational Biology sequencing facility.

455 Whole genome variant calling: short read WGS and RAD-seq data

456 We identified variants in the short read data (both isoline whole genome sequencing and wild
457 population RAD-seq) using an analysis pipeline based on the GATK best practices [67,68]. The
458 complete code for this pipeline is available as a Github repository at
459 <http://github.com/ksamuk/samuk et al curr biol 2020>. All tools were run with default settings
460 unless otherwise indicated. Briefly, we aligned the reads for each sample to the *D. pseudoobscura*
461 reference genome (version 3.04 from FlyBase,
462 ftp://ftp.flybase.net/genomes/Drosophila_pseudoobscura/) using bwa mem version 0.7.17 [69].
463 We marked adapters and duplicates using PicardTools [70], and performed individual-level
464 genotyping for each set of marked reads using the HaplotypeCaller. We then performed joint
465 genotyping on the resulting set of GVCFs via GenotypeGVCFs. We filtered SNPs in the resulting VCF
466 using the GATK Best Practices hard filters (see scripts for details), working in R 3.4.1 [71] with the
467 vcfR and tidyverse packages [72,73].

468 Creation of mapping populations

469 To estimate variation in crossover rate in our inbred lines, we created backcross-like mapping
470 populations (crossing scheme shown in Figure 6). We crossed groups of 3-5 males from each isoline
471 to single virgin females from the *D. pseudoobscura* reference genome isoline (MV2-25, provided by

472 Dr. Steve Schaeffer). We then allowed the F_1 offspring to develop and collected virgin females from
473 the resulting offspring. Finally, we crossed these virgin F_1 females to males from a second fixed
474 isolate, Flagstaff-14 (a highly inbred isolate from Flagstaff, AZ). This resulted in a backcross-like
475 mapping population for each of the AZ and UT lines, in which all BC1 offspring had one maternal
476 chromosome from their F_1 mother and one paternal Flagstaff-14 chromosome with a fixed, known
477 genotype (Figure 6A). This design allows for straightforward mapping of recombination events that
478 occurred in F_1 females. As such, our estimates are unable to detect any variation in recombination
479 due to recessive-acting effects and may underestimate total recombination rates (e.g. from
480 modifiers that act in an additive fashion) in the pure inbred lines. Critically, this potential
481 underestimation is identical across all F_1 families, and thus cannot (in and of itself) generate
482 systematic differences in recombination rate between lines or populations.

483 Genotyping of mapping populations

484 Because our goal was to quantify the number of crossovers per generation rather than their precise
485 location, we performed low density, genome-wide SNP genotyping using an amplicon sequencing
486 approach. To do this, we adapted the 'GT-seq' method outlined in [63]. A summary of the design and
487 performance of this method is depicted in Figure S1. To begin, we identified SNPs genotyped in the
488 whole genome dataset that were unique to the MV2-25 isolate (i.e. fixed for one allele in all 19
489 inbred lines and Flagstaff-14 and fixed for another allele in MV2-25). Genotyping these markers in
490 BC1 individuals allows the recovery of genotypic phase simply by examining the genotype of the
491 marker SNPs – regions with UT or AZ ancestry are represented as runs of heterozygous SNPs and
492 regions with MV2-25 ancestry are represented as runs of homozygous SNPs (see diagram in Figure
493 6B). In total, we selected 500 of these SNPs evenly spaced at approximately 300kb intervals along
494 each chromosome (Figure S1 A & B). Note that this choice of marker density is optimized to detect
495 small differences in *genome wide* recombination rate and cannot completely resolve fine scale (i.e.
496 <300kb) variation in the recombination landscape.

497 We designed primer pairs to generate ~200-300bp amplicons containing each of our target SNPs.
498 These primer pairs were optimized to minimize primer-primer interactions during multiplex PCR
499 (primer design service provided by GT-Seek Ltd., Idaho, USA). With these primers in hand, we
500 performed two test library preps using the GT-seq protocol described in Campbell et al. (2015). We
501 sequenced the first test library on a MiSeq (V3 flow cell, Illumina Corp., California, USA), and
502 identified poorly performing amplicons using the criteria outlined in Campbell et al. (2015), i.e. high

503 dropout, low representation among individuals, evidence of amplicons mapping to duplicate
504 regions, etc. (service provided by GT-Seek LTD, Idaho, USA). We then prepared a second test library
505 with the primers for the poor-performing amplicons omitted and sequenced it as above. A final
506 screen for poor-performing amplicons resulted in a final set of 390 amplicons ranging from 200-
507 300bp, each containing at least one recombination-informative SNP.

508 After optimizing our panel of amplicons, we used GT-seq to genotype approximately 400 BC1
509 offspring from each mapping population (400 individuals from each of 19 lines, a total of
510 approximately 7600 individuals). We created two pools of 40 plates (individuals and plates are
511 individually barcoded as part of GT-seq library preparation) and submitted these for sequencing on
512 an Illumina NextSeq 500 (1st pool: High Output Reagent 150 PE Reagent Kit, 2nd Pool: Mid Output 150
513 PE Kit, Illumina Corp., California) at the Duke Center for Genomic and Computational Biology
514 sequencing facility. We called SNPs in our sequenced GT-seq amplicons using an identical approach
515 to our whole genome short read data. The final dataset contained 679 total variants across all
516 amplicons, sequenced to an average depth of ~200X (Figure S1 C). While there was some variability
517 in sequencing depth between amplicons (mean coefficient of variation for depth of amplicon
518 sequence was ~0.75), the overall high depth of sequencing resulted in the vast majority of
519 amplicons having >100X coverage (Figure S1 C). We performed further quality control on the
520 resulting SNPs in R using the vcfR and tidyverse packages [72,73]. First, we dropped any markers
521 that mapped to genomic locations outside our original targeted amplicons. Next, we dropped any
522 individuals that had an average depth below 10X (19/7600 individuals). Finally, we removed any
523 markers that displayed any evidence that they were in fact not unique to the tester line. This was
524 done by removing markers displaying: (1) any evidence of segregation distortion, (2) any evidence
525 that any of the isolines were in fact polymorphic for the marker or (3) high dropout (i.e.
526 represented in fewer than 75% of samples). In some cases, the source of marker dropout was
527 clearly an undetected INDEL polymorphism in the amplified regions, which, for consistency among
528 lines, we erred on the side of removing rather than recoding as them as markers for mapping. The
529 final set contained 344 mapping-informative SNPs. After filtering, we recoded all SNP genotypes as
530 '0' for the isolate/donor line state and '1' for the tester line state. Because of the backcross design,
531 the only possible genotypes were thus '0/0' and '0/1'.

532 Detection of recombination events

533 We identified crossovers in two steps: (1) ancestry assignment of chromosome segments and (2)
534 crossover counting. To begin, we updated the genomic ordering of our markers using the genomic
535 scaffold ordering from [74]. Note that this reordering results in movement and replacement of
536 contigs between chromosomes, and as such overall physical lengths of the reordered chromosomes
537 are different from that of the most current *D. pseudoobscura* reference (version 3.04). After markers
538 had been reordered, we assigned the ancestry (isoline or tester) of chromosomal segments by
539 identifying runs of 0/0s and 0/1s. In regions with a single ancestry assignment, we imputed (via
540 parsimony) across gaps of missing markers (e.g. due to filtration or dropout) shorter than 2
541 markers (~400kb). After local ancestry was assigned, we counted crossovers by counting the
542 number of ancestry changes (from 0/0 to 0/1) along each chromosome in each individual using the
543 function countXO in R/qtl [52]. Following the recommendations in [75], we ignored double
544 crossovers spanning less than 2 markers (~400kb) and/or individuals displaying more than four
545 crossovers on a single chromosome: crossover interference should make close range double
546 crossovers exceedingly rare, and thus these cases likely represent genotyping or marker-order
547 errors. It is also worth noting that our method of crossover detecting relies on quantifying
548 crossover events in live-born offspring. As such, any extreme changes in crossover patterns
549 incompatible with proper chromosome segregation during meiosis will not be observed (i.e.
550 because they are lethal or lead to gamete degradation).

551 This crossover counting method assumes that the order of markers on each chromosome is
552 identical in each line. Differences in marker order could, for example, generate spurious double
553 crossovers (although ignoring short double crossovers reduces this problem). To directly address
554 the possibility of different marker orders among lines, we created separate genetic maps for each
555 isolate using the R packages r/QTL and ASMap [75,76]. Following the general recommendations
556 from the documentation, these two packages agnostically infer linkage group assignment, marker
557 order, and genetic distances between markers. Overall, there was high concordance in marker
558 order between all the individually-inferred maps (Figure S2). Individual recombination rate
559 estimates within each line were highly similar when using the reference genome marker order or
560 individually-inferred marker orders (Figure S2, Spearman rank correlation = 0.93, $p < 2.2 \times 10^{-16}$). We
561 thus elected to use the reference genome marker order (reordered based on [74]) for all
562 subsequent analyses. Individual estimates of crossover events are provided in Table S1 and Table
563 S2.

564 Candidate genes associated with recombination differences

565 We explored the possibility that between-line variation in meiosis-related candidate genes may
566 underlie between-line differences in recombination rate. We were specifically interested in the
567 hypothesis that coding changes in meiosis genes underlie any differences in recombination rate
568 between inbred lines (and act dominantly or additively in the F1s). To do this, we first assembled a
569 list of candidate genes from Anderson et al. 2009 and Hunter et al. 2016 [29,77] (full list in Table
570 S3). We then obtained the FASTA sequences for these genes in each line by intersecting the short
571 read variant calls (including INDELS) with the *D. pseudoobscura* reference genome CDS for each
572 candidate gene. To ensure proper alignment, we then performed multiple alignment of the line-
573 level FASTA sequences and the reference CDS using MAFFT version 7.407 [78]. Once the sequences
574 had been aligned, we identified non-synonymous, non-reference alleles in each line.

575 Association between local structural variation and recombination rate

576 Along with the candidate gene approach to examine associations with genome-wide recombination
577 rate, we also investigated the possibility that small-scale differences in genomic structure between
578 the inbred lines may explain differences in recombination rate. This may be of particular
579 importance given that our design required measuring recombination rate in F₁ individuals (inbred
580 line × tester line), and that structural heterozygosity has a well-known negative association with
581 recombination rate [37,60,79].

582 To test if differences in genome structure underlie local differences in recombination rate in our
583 inbred lines, we first identified structural variants (SVs) using two approaches. First, we used the
584 SVtools pipeline [80] to identify SVs using paired-end short read data. This pipeline identifies
585 structural variation using a variety of genomic signatures, particularly split reads (different parts of
586 a single read mapping to multiple discrete locations) and discordant reads (paired end reads
587 separated by a much greater genomic distance than expected on the basis of their insert size).
588 SVtools can identify insertions, deletions, inversions, duplications, and other classes of
589 rearrangements. The general procedure is to identify split/discordant reads using the tools
590 *SAMBAMBA* and *SAMBLASTER*, which are then analyzed and annotated with the SVtools variant
591 callers [81,82]. The resulting structural variant VCF was filtered via empirical cut offs using the
592 guidelines in [80]. Along with SVtools, we separately identified structural variation in the PacBio
593 long reads dataset using the PacBio structural variant pipeline and tools, *pbsv*
594 (<https://github.com/PacificBiosciences/pbsv>, see also [83]). This involves aligning the long reads

595 with *minimap2* (accessed via the *pbmm2* wrapper), identifying individual signatures of structural
596 variation using *pbsv*, and jointly calling structural variation from the combined set of signatures.
597 This again results in a VCF containing structural variants, which we filtered using empirical cutoffs
598 as before.

599 After identifying structural variants, we next quantified the total difference in sequence homology
600 between each line and the tester line (MV2-25) for each genomic interval where recombination was
601 measured (~300kb windows). To do this, we summed the total number of non-shared, non-
602 reference base pairs between each line and the tester line. We included SNPs, inversions, insertions,
603 deletions, and translocations in this calculation. This method collapses multiple classes of genomic
604 variation into a single, consistent metric and avoids the ambiguity associated with identifying
605 shared locations of breakpoints for the structural variants (e.g. needed for per-variant
606 associations). Further, this method focuses on the most likely biological cause of structurally-
607 mediated recombination suppression, i.e. differences in homology *per se*, which has been widely
608 demonstrated in many species [84–86]. We also tabulated the total count of structural variant
609 alleles (of any type) that differed between each isolate and the tester line for each recombination
610 interval. We normalized all homology estimates and structural variant counts in each window using
611 both the total number of genotyped base pairs in each window as well as the mean depth per
612 isolate.

613 QUANTIFICATION AND STATISTICAL ANALYSIS

614 Population differences in recombination rate

615 We quantified differences in recombination rate between populations using a generalized linear
616 mixed model fitted with the R package *lme4* [87]. This model had the form *crossover count* ~
617 *population* + (1/*inbred line*), with a Poisson error distribution and a log link function (in order to
618 accommodate the non-normal nature of crossover counts). We checked for violations of model fit
619 for this and all subsequent models using a QQ-plot and a fitted vs. Pearson residuals plot (see
620 Figure S3 for an example). To test the fixed effect of population, we performed a Type II Wald Test
621 using the function “Anova” from the *car* package [88], as well as a Likelihood Ratio Test comparing
622 models with and without the population term. Note that these two tests focus on a slightly different
623 hypothesis (i.e. that the populations are significantly different in recombination rate, on the basis of
624 phenotypic variance alone) than the Q_{ST} - F_{ST} analysis below.

625 QST-FST Analysis

626 To test the hypothesis that population-level differences in recombination rates are driven by
627 natural selection, we performed a Q_{ST} - F_{ST} analysis [33,35,89]. We began by computing a point
628 estimate of Q_{ST} for genome-wide recombination rate using lm4 by fitting a linear mixed effects
629 model with the following form: $crossover\ count = intercept + (1/inbred\ line) + (1/population)$. We
630 extracted the variance components for population and inbred line (nested in population) using the
631 R function varcomp(). Following [55] we computed Q_{ST} using the following formula:

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$$(1) Q_{ST} = \frac{\sigma_{BG}^2}{\sigma_{BG}^2 + \sigma_{WG}^2}$$

633 Where σ_{BG}^2 denotes the between-group (population) variance and σ_{WG}^2 denotes within-group (inbred
634 line nested in population) variance. Note that the within-group variance term in the denominator is
635 not multiplied by two in the case of haploids or completely inbred lines [89].

636 We computed F_{ST} using SNPs genotyped via RAD-seq in wild AZ and UT individuals. To do this, we
637 converted the GATK VCF to a SNP table using vcfR and the tidyverse package in R (see analysis
638 scripts). We then converted the resulting SNP table for manipulation in the R package SNPRelate
639 [90]. Using SNPRelate, we first performed LD pruning (default settings, $r < 0.2$) to reduce statistical
640 non-independence between SNPs [91]. This resulted in a dataset composed of 16 individuals for AZ
641 and 42 for UT, with a total of 6 591 high quality SNPs. We then computed per-SNP estimates of Weir
642 and Cockerham's F_{ST} using SNPRelate, requiring filtered sites to have a minimum minor allele
643 frequency of 0.1.

644 We assessed the statistical departure from neutrality for each value of Q_{ST} using the Null-QST
645 method outlined in [35] and [55] with a modification to accommodate trait data from inbred lines.
646 The general approach outlined in these two references is to simulate the expected distribution of
647 for a *neutral* trait (denoted Q_{ST}^n , neutral Q_{ST}) via a parametric bootstrap, and use this distribution as
648 the basis of a statistical test of the hypothesis $Q_{ST} > Q_{ST}^n$.

649 To simulate the distribution of Q_{ST}^n we first estimated the between-group (σ_{BG}^2) and within-group
650 (σ_{WG}^2) variance components. We obtained these values via REML estimation by fitting mixed-effects
651 linear models using the function lmer in the R package lme4 [87]. These models took the form
652 $crossover\ count \sim intercept + (1/population) + (1/line)$. We extracted the variance components
653 (standard deviations of the random effects) using the function VarComp from lme4.

654 We next generated 10 000 (nonparametric) bootstrap estimates of the mean value of Weir and
655 Cockerham's F_{ST} by resampling the RADseq SNPs with replacement, and computing genome-wide
656 mean F_{ST} using SNPRelate. We then generated 10 000 matching parametric bootstrap estimates of
657 the σ_{WG}^2 by multiplying the REML point estimate by a random draw from a χ^2 distribution with
658 degrees of freedom equal to the number of inbred families ($df = 17$). Next, we generated parametric
659 bootstrap estimates of the expected values of σ_{BG}^2 for a neutrally evolving trait using the equation:

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$$(2) \text{boot}(\sigma_{BG}^2) = \frac{\text{boot}(F_{ST})\text{boot}(\sigma_{WG}^2)}{1-\text{boot}(F_{ST})} \times \chi^2(n = 1, df = 1)$$

661 With (2) above being modified from [35] to accommodate complete inbreeding. In equation (2),
662 "boot" indicates individual bootstrap samples for each quantity, and the χ^2 term represents a draw
663 from a χ^2 distribution with degrees of freedom equal to the number of populations minus one (one,
664 in this case). This procedure results in 10 000 bootstrap samples for σ_{BG}^2 and σ_{WG}^2 , from which we
665 computed 10 000 bootstrap samples of Q_{ST}^n using equation (1). We finally computed a p-value for
666 the observed value of Q_{ST} by determining the number of Q_{ST}^n values that exceeded the observed
667 value of Q_{ST} distribution. We also computed a confidence interval for $Q_{ST} - F_{ST}$ (the *difference*
668 between Q_{ST} and F_{ST} , expected to be zero under the neutral model) by subtracting each value the
669 $Q_{ST}^n - F_{ST}$ distribution from the observed value of $Q_{ST} - F_{ST}$ (after [55]). Note that while we
670 computed the distribution of F_{ST} from the independently-sourced RAD-seq data, the distribution of
671 F_{ST} was nearly identical when computed using SNPs derived from the short read whole genome
672 sequencing of the inbred lines themselves.

673 Candidate genes associated with recombination differences

674 Using the candidate gene data from the inbred lines, we tested for associations between inbred line
675 recombination estimates and genotype at each site where at least one non-synonymous change
676 occurred in each gene. To this end, we fit linear models with recombination rate as the response
677 and genotype (at all variable non-synonymous sites) as the predictor. This yielded a p-value for
678 each genotype vs. recombination comparison. In order to control for the possibility of false
679 positives, which we adjusted via the FDR approach [92], with $FDR < 0.05$ adjustments performed
680 using the function `p.adjust` in R. A main caveat to this approach is that the small number of lines and
681 large number of variable sites limits our power and ability to include controls for genetic
682 background, genotype at "non-meiosis" genes, etc. As such, we consider the function of this analysis

683 to be mainly hypothesis-generating and to serve as a bridge between our results in previous
684 molecular work.

685 Association between local structural variation and recombination rate

686 We tested the association between normalized sequence homology and recombination rate via a
687 hierarchical linear model fit using the function glmer from the R package lme4 [87]. This model had
688 the form: *recombination rate ~ method * homology + (1/window identity) + (1/inbred line)*, with
689 Poisson-distributed errors and a log link function. Assigning window identity (i.e. genomic region in
690 which recombination and homology were measured) as a random effect controls for mean local
691 variation in recombination rate (i.e. normalizes the absolute recombination rates among windows).
692 Similarly, modelling inbred line identity as a random effect controls for genome-wide differences in
693 recombination rate, which are unrelated to local variation. We assessed the significance of the
694 homology term in the model by comparing the full model to a model with only random effects via a
695 likelihood ratio test in R. We finally repeated this model fitting procedure with the normalized
696 count of differences in structural variant alleles as the predictor.

697 DATA AND CODE AVAILABILITY

698 All analysis code employed throughout the paper is available as a Git repository at:
699 <https://github.com/ksamuk/samuk et al curr biol 2020>

700 KEY RESOURCES TABLE

REAGENT or RESOURCE	SOURCE	IDENTIFIER
Biological Samples		
Flagstaff14	This study	N/A

MV2-25	Dr. Steven Schaeffer	N/A
American Fork Canyon Inbred Lines	This study	N/A
Madera Canyon Inbred Lines	This study	N/A
Chemicals, Peptides, and Recombinant Proteins		
Qiagen Plus Multiplex PCR Master Mix	Qiagen	Cat # 206145
Charm Biotech Just-A-Plate 96 PCR Purification and Normalization Kit	Charm Biotech	Cat # JN-120-10
AmpureXP beads	Beckman Coulter	Cat # A63881
Deposited Data		
PacBio Sequel Whole Genome Sequencing	This paper	SRA PRJNA610090
Illumina HiSeq Whole Genome Sequencing	This paper	SRA PRJNA610029

Illumina HiSeq ddRAD-seq Sequencing	This paper	SRA PRJNA610904
Illumina NovaSeq Amplicon Libraries (High Output)	This paper	Dryad Accession TBD
Illumina NovaSeq Amplicon Libraries (Mid Output)	This paper	Dryad Accession TBD
Analysis scripts	This paper	https://github.com/ksamuk/samuk_et_al_curr_biol_2020
Oligonucleotides		
GT-Seq Primers - See Table S4	This paper	N/A
Illumina Small RNA sequencing primer (CGACAGGTTCAGAGTTCTACAGTCCGACGATC)	Illumina	N/A
Software and Algorithms		
samtools	Li et al. (2009)	http://www.htslib.org/
Bwa2	Li (2013)	https://github.com/lh3/bwa

GATK	Poplin et al. (2017)	https://gatk.broadinstitute.org/hc/en-us
R for Statistical Programming	R Core Team (2019)	https://www.r-project.org/
RStudio	RStudio Team (2019)	https://rstudio.com/
tidyverse (R Package collection)	Wickham et al. (2019)	https://www.tidyverse.org/
lme4 (R Package)	Bates et al. (2015)	https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/lme4/index.html
r/qtl (R Package)	Broman (2003)	https://rqt1.org/
ASmap (R Package)	Taylor et al. (2017)	https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/ASMap/index.html
vcfR	Knaus & Grunwald (2017)	https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/vcfR/index.html

patchwork	Pedersen (2019)	https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/patchwork/index.html
SNPRelate	Zheng et al. (2012)	https://github.com/zhenxwen/SNPRelate
lmerTest	Kuznetsova et al. (2019)	https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/lmerTest/index.html
car (R Package)	Fox & Weisberg (2019)	https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/car/index.html

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702 **Figure Legends (Supplemental Tables)**

703 **Table S1** | Per-chromosome counts of crossover events for all lines. Each row lists the number of
 704 observed crossovers for each chromosome (Columns E-H) in the re-ordered reference genome for a
 705 single F1-Backcross individual (Column D). Population, inbred line and plate information are
 706 provided (AFC = American Fork Canyon, MC = Madera Canyon). Note that for purposes of
 707 comparing recombination rates, the unit of replication is inbred line and not individual.

708 **Table S2** | Fine scale estimates of crossover location for all lines. Each row corresponds to the
 709 observed “crossover state” (whether a crossover was observed between the previous and current
 710 position) for each location on all chromosomes of the re-ordered reference genome. Note that the
 711 total length of this file is greater than the maximum rows displayed by some versions of Microsoft
 712 Excel (i.e. the file will be truncated if viewed in Excel).

713 **Table S3** | *D. melanogaster* candidate genes and *D. pseudoobscura* homologues used for the
 714 candidate gene analysis. Each row lists a single *D. melanogaster* candidate gene (using Flybase Gene

715 IDs), along with the corresponding homologous gene in *D. pseudooobscura*, and its location in the
716 re-ordered reference genome.

717 **Table S4** | List of PCR primers used in GT-seq library preparation. Each row lists the sequence of a
718 single primer pair (forward, Column D and reverse, Column E). The primer ID is formatted as:
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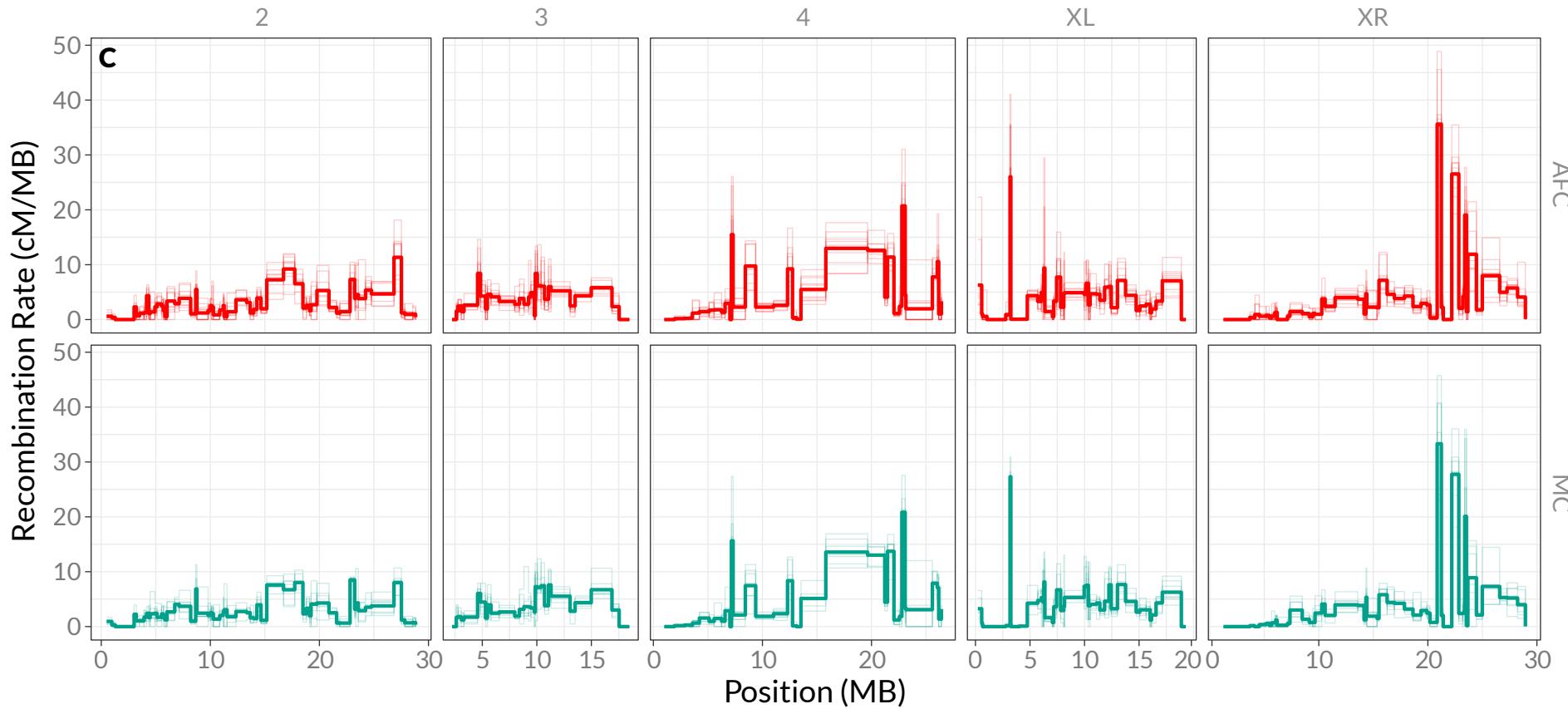
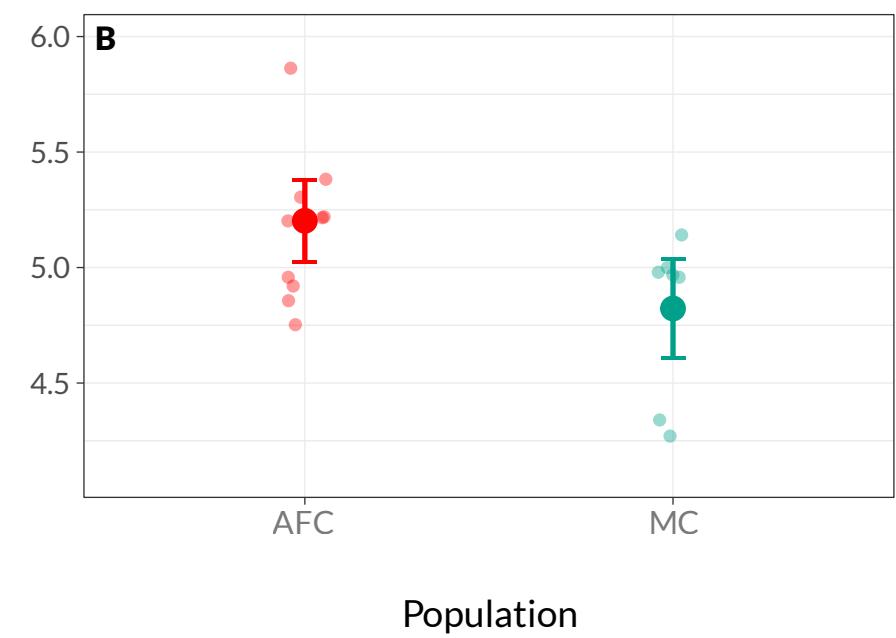
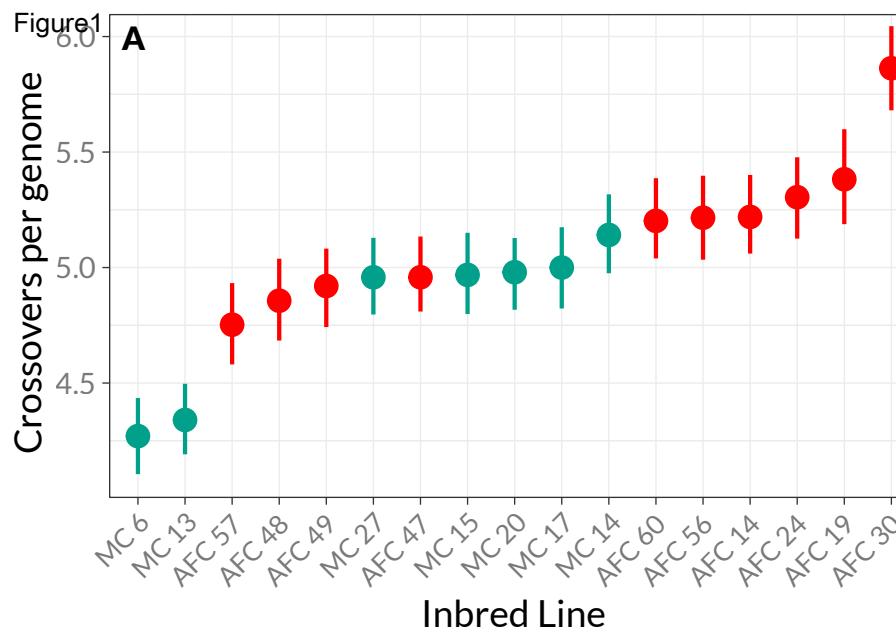
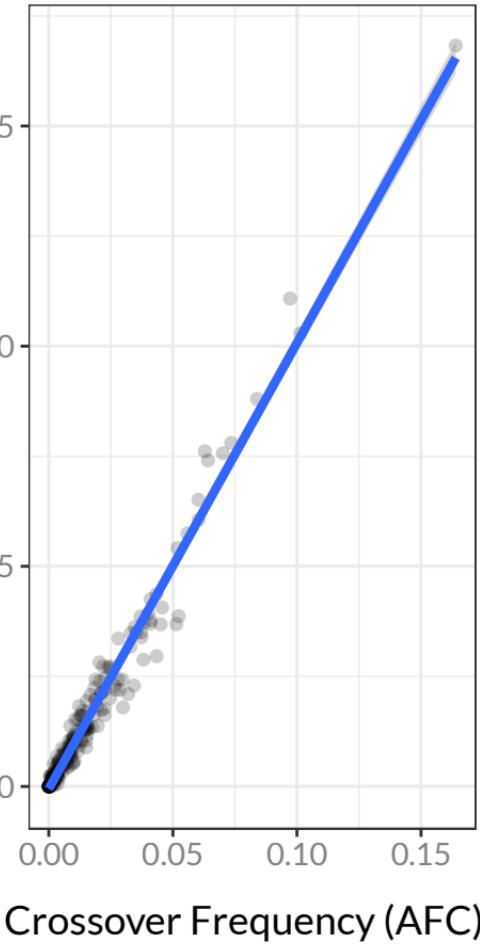
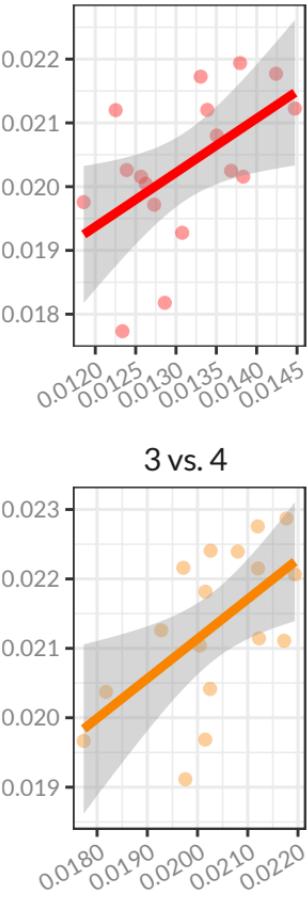
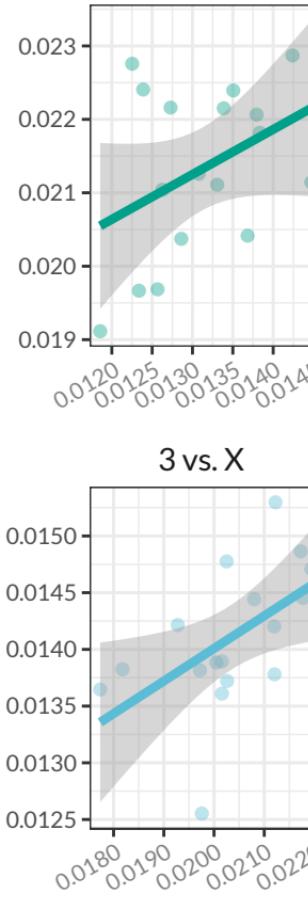
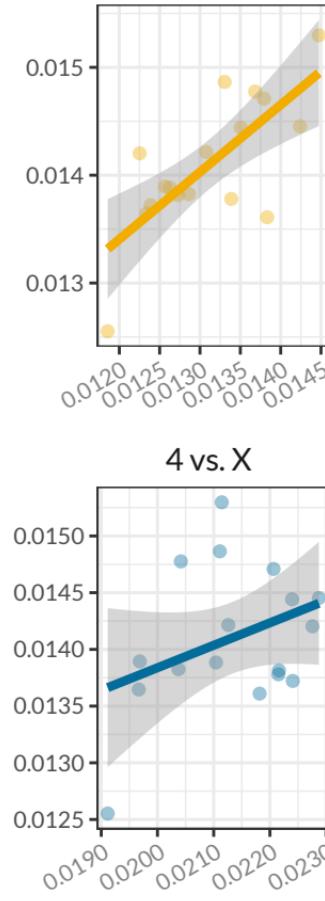


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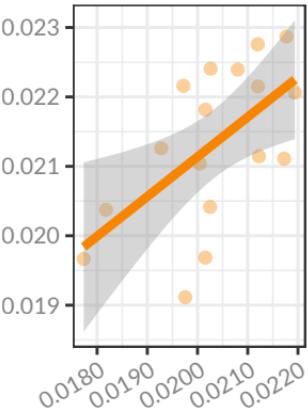
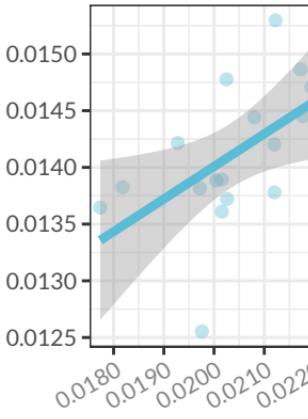
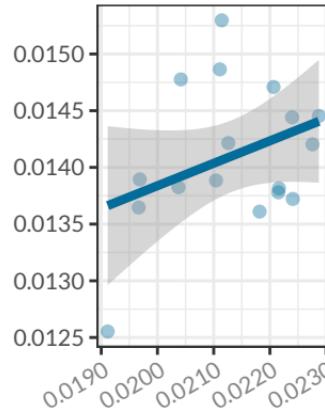
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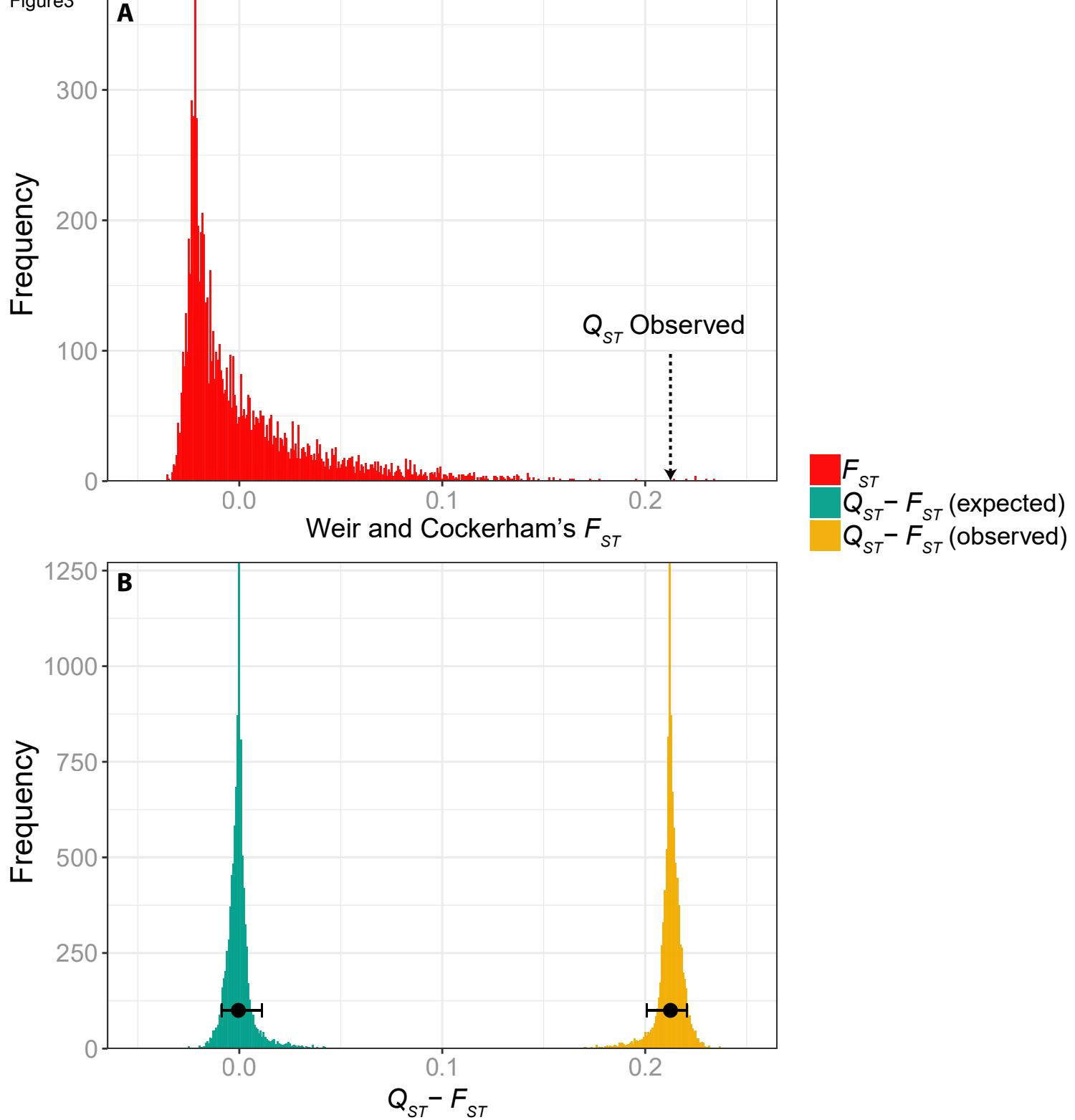
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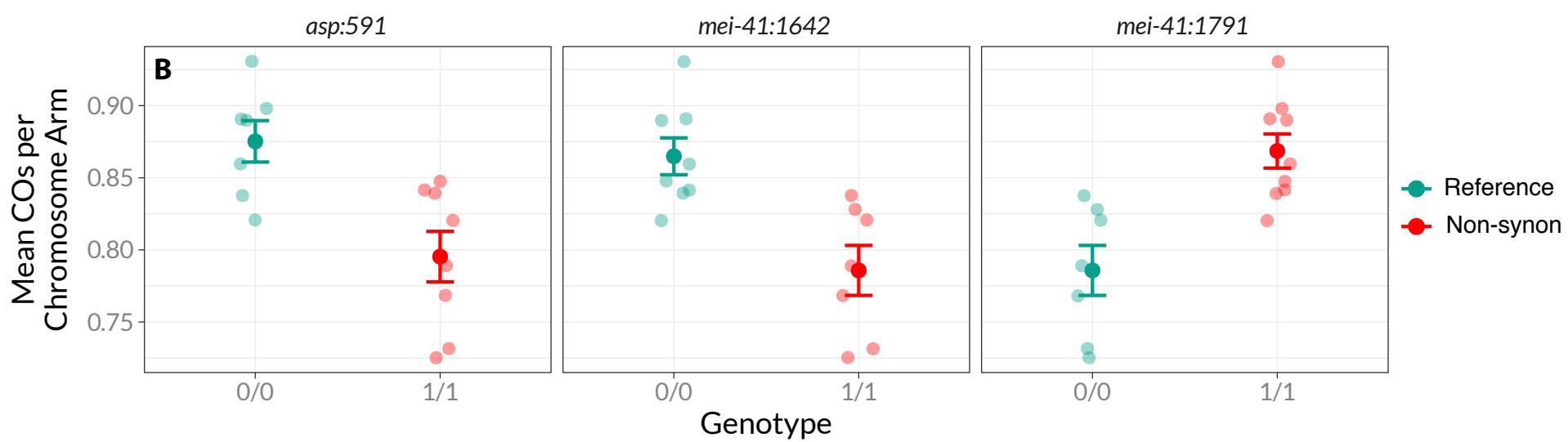
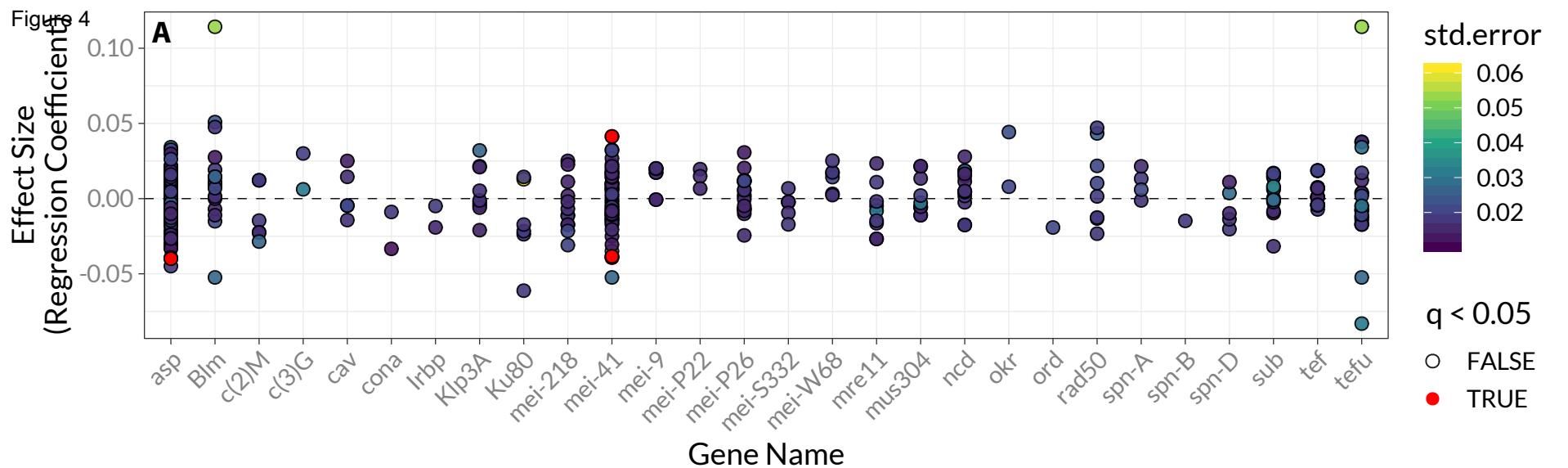
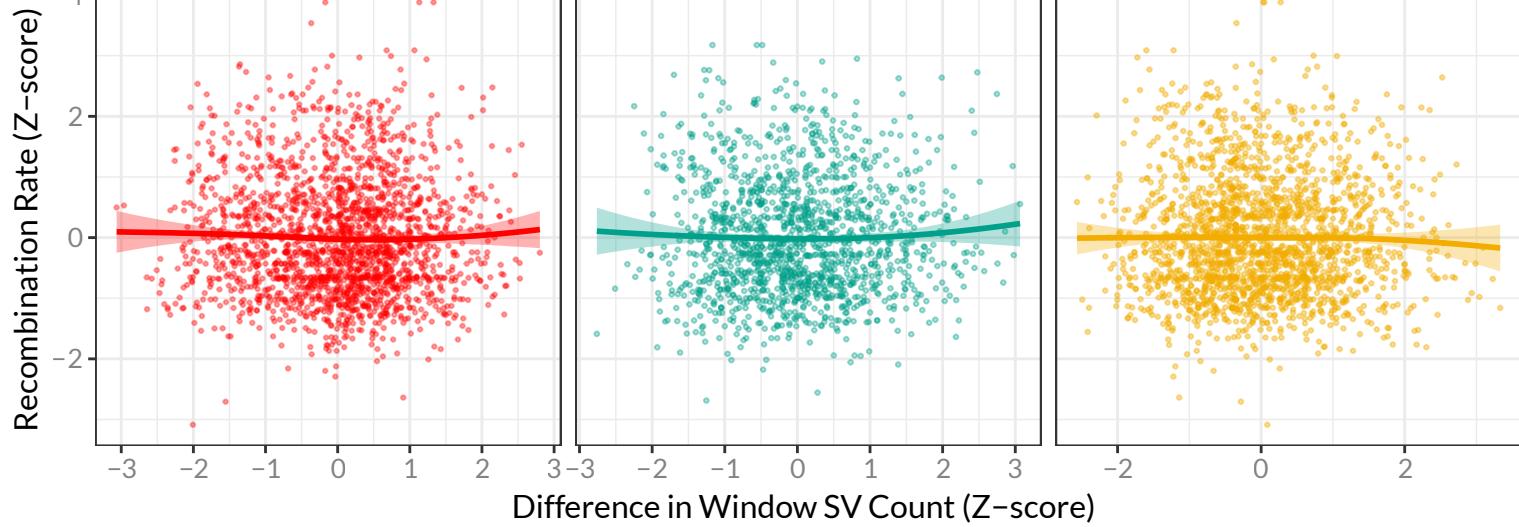
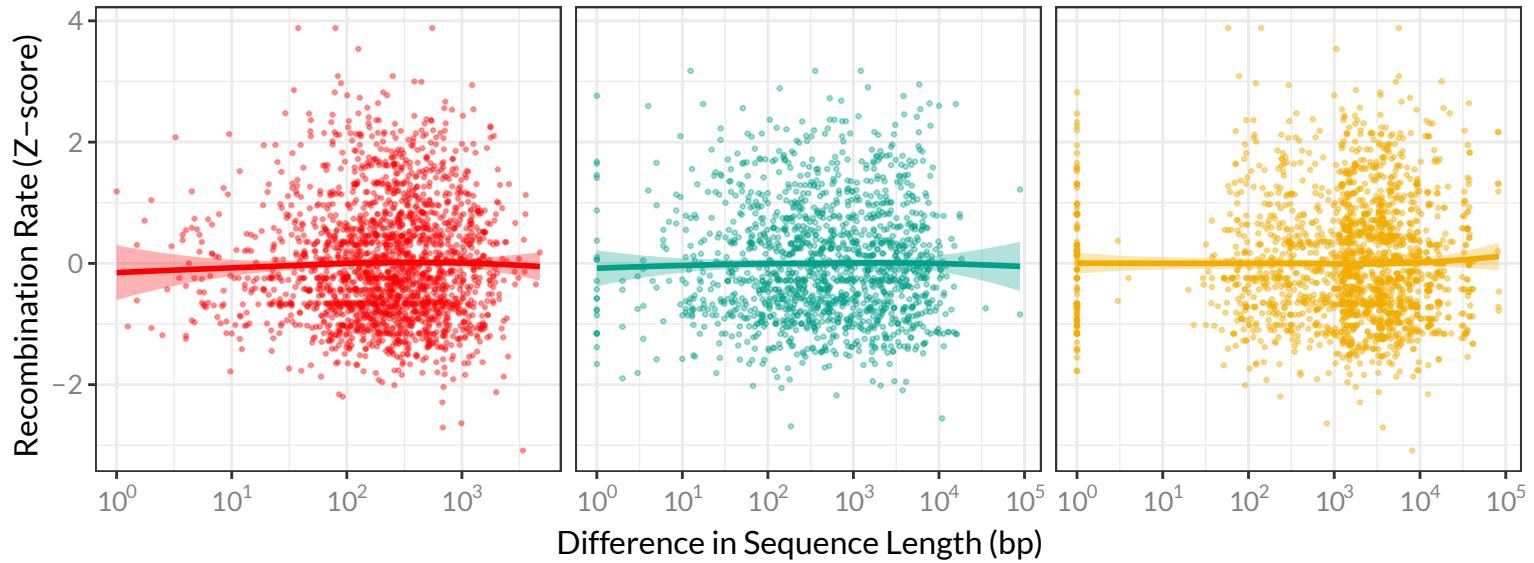


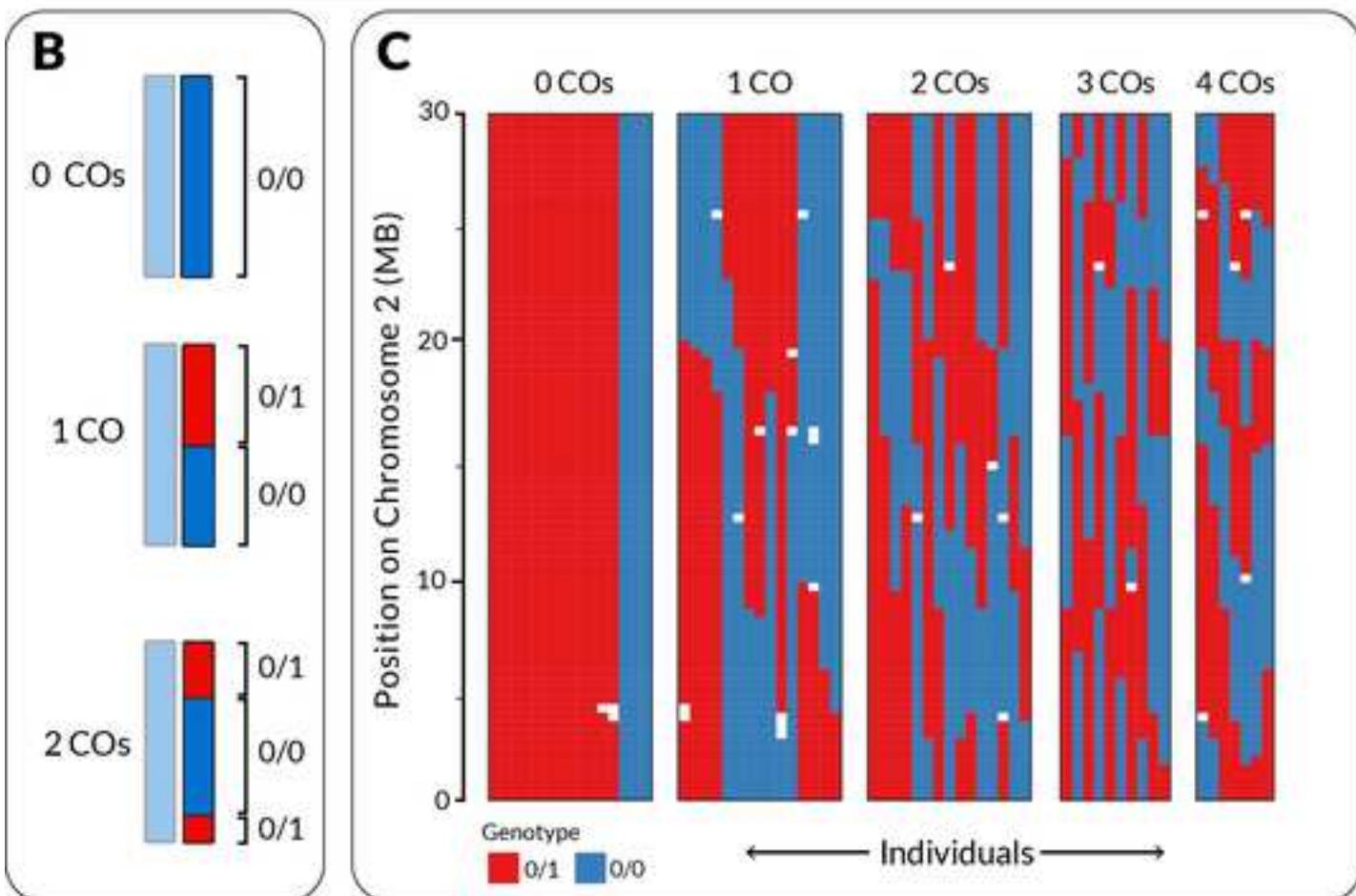
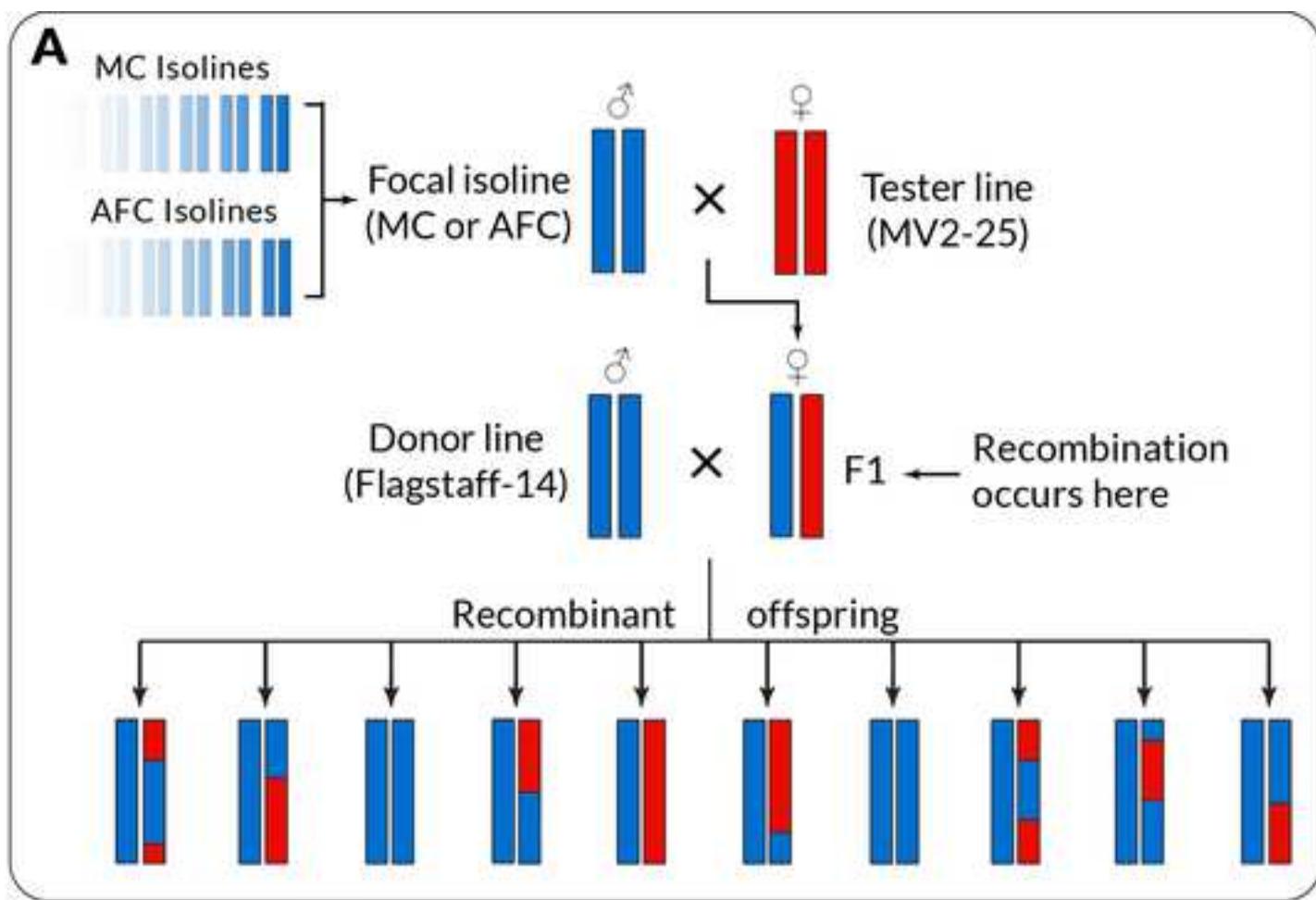
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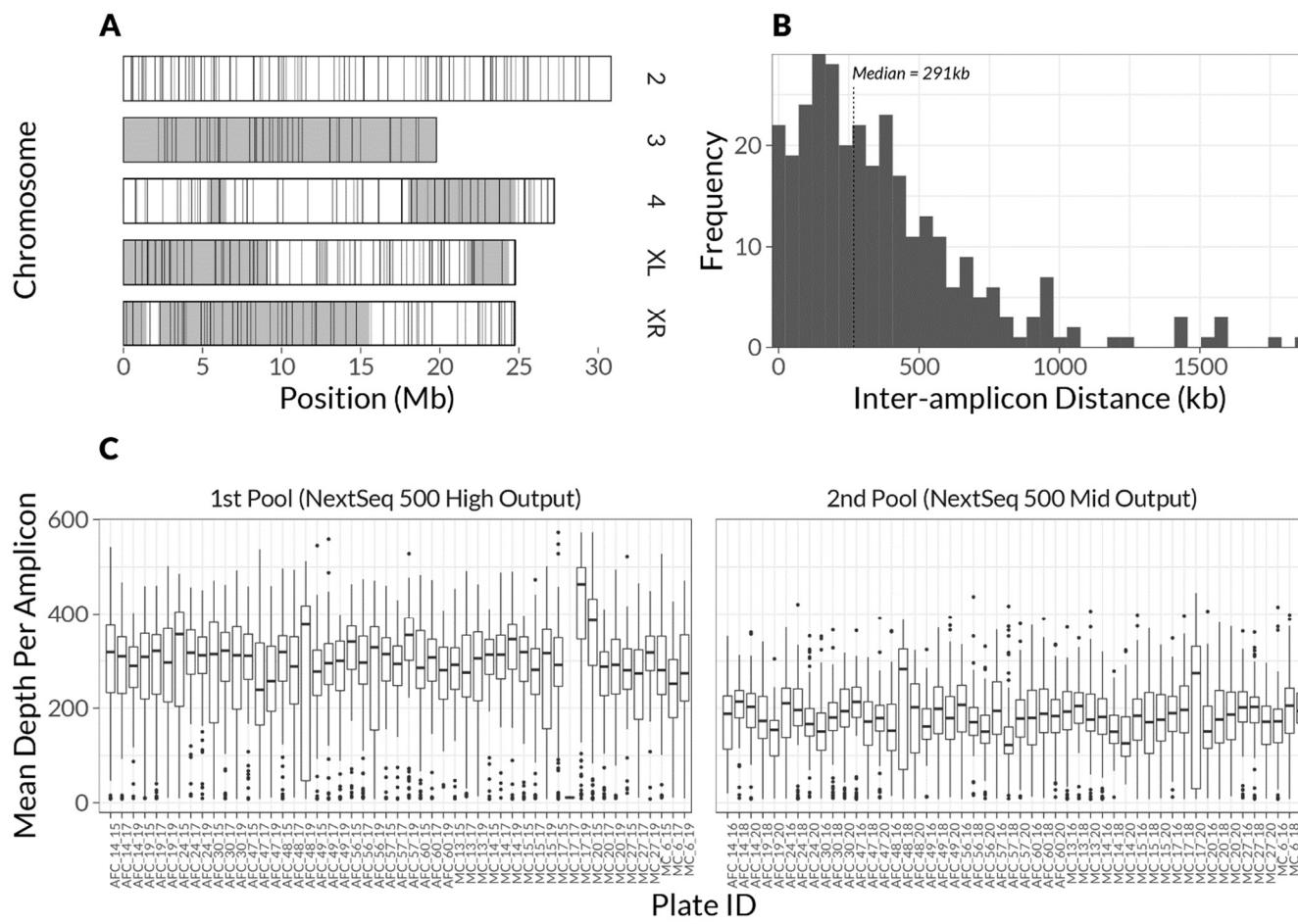


Figure S1| Summary of the design and performance of GT-seq amplicon sequencing. (A) Spacing of amplicons on the four chromosomes of *D. pseudoobscura* (the X chromosome is separated into its two arms, by convention). Each rectangle represents one chromosome in the *D. pseudoobscura* reference genome, with alternating grey and white regions indicating assembly contigs. Contigs are ordered based on Schaeffer et al. (2008). Vertical lines indicate the location of the mapping-informative amplicons we designed for use in our GT-seq protocol. (B) The distribution of distances between all amplicons in kilobases. The dotted line indicates the median value. (C) Mean sequenced depth per amplicon for each 96-well plate sequenced in the study. Each boxplot depicts the distribution of mean depths (in reads) per amplicon for all the individuals in a single plate after alignment to the reference genome. Two separate pools (left and right boxes) were sequenced using a high and mid output kit respectively.

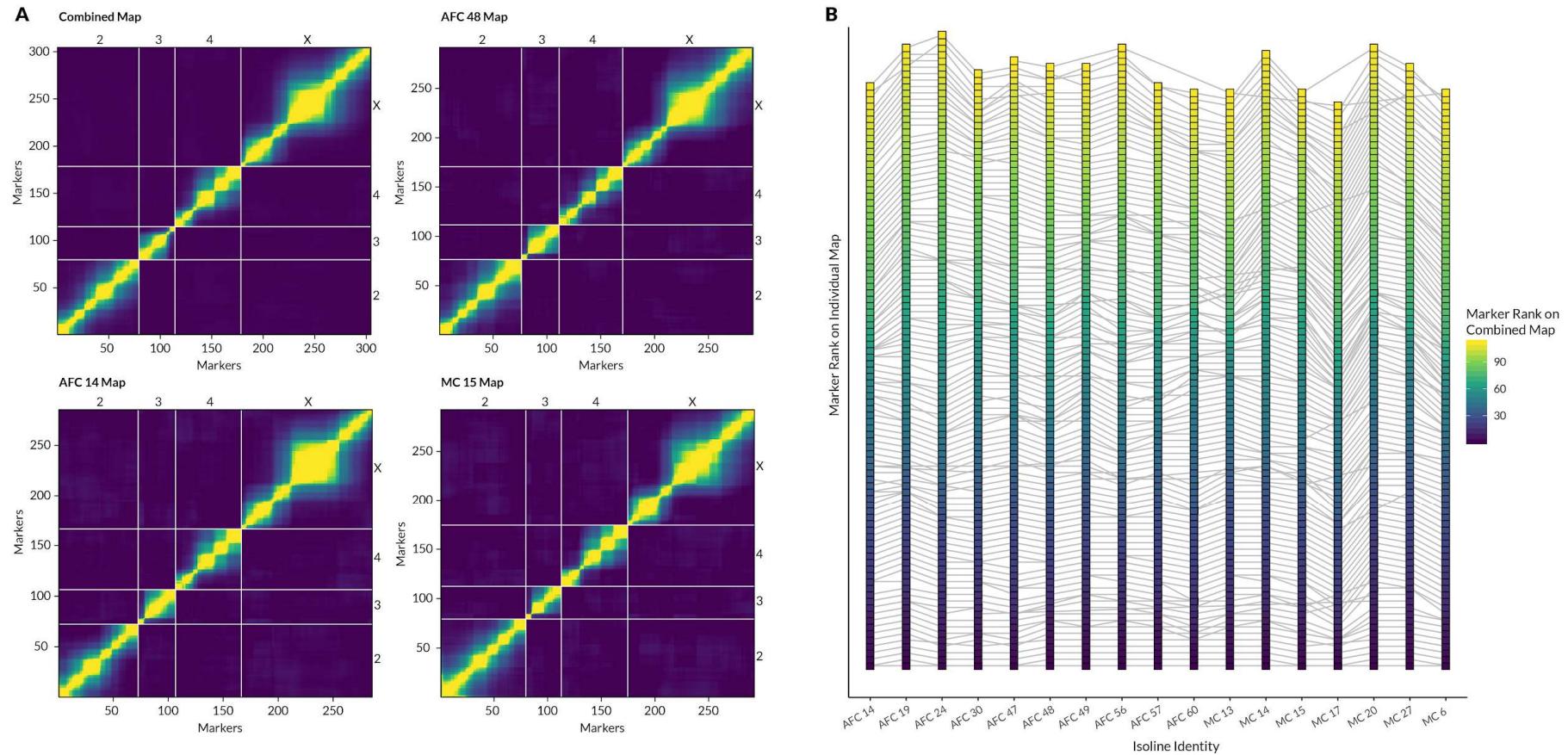


Figure S2 | Comparison of inferred marker orders in combined vs. individual datasets. (A) Recombination fraction heatmaps for four representative maps. The combined map was built by pooling all samples before inferring marker order. Lighter colors correspond to larger recombination fractions between pairs of markers. (B) Inferred markers orders on Chromosome X for all isolines. Each square point is a single marker on chromosome X, and markers are ordered based on their rank (y-axis) in each isolate-level individual map (x-axis). Horizontal lines between points show the position of the same marker in each individual map. The color scale indicates the rank inferred from the combined map: major changes in marker order between the combined and individual maps would manifest as jumbled colors in the gradient, of which there are none.

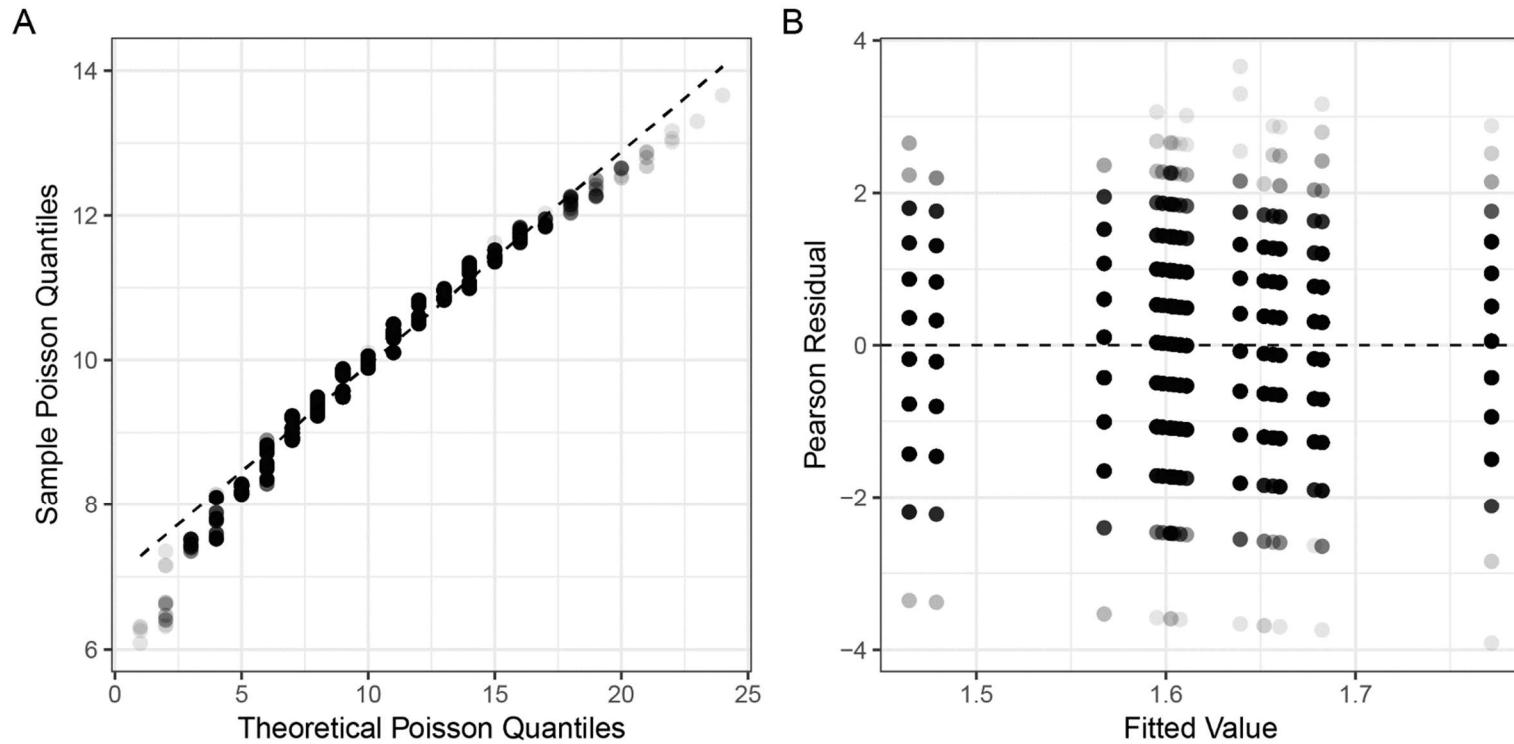


Figure S3 | Example of diagnostics of model fit for the generalized linear mixed models used throughout the paper. (A) and (B) above are derived from the model fitted in order to directly compare population differences in recombination rate. (A) A Q-Q plot showing the fit between sample Poisson quantiles and theoretical Poisson quantiles (the expectation is an approximate 1:1 fit, shown by the dashed line). To ensure positivity for plotting purposes, all samples values were transformed by adding a constant of +10 prior to plotting. (B) A plot of Pearson residuals vs. the fitted values of the model (the expectation is no trend in the mean or change in variance, shown by the dashed line).

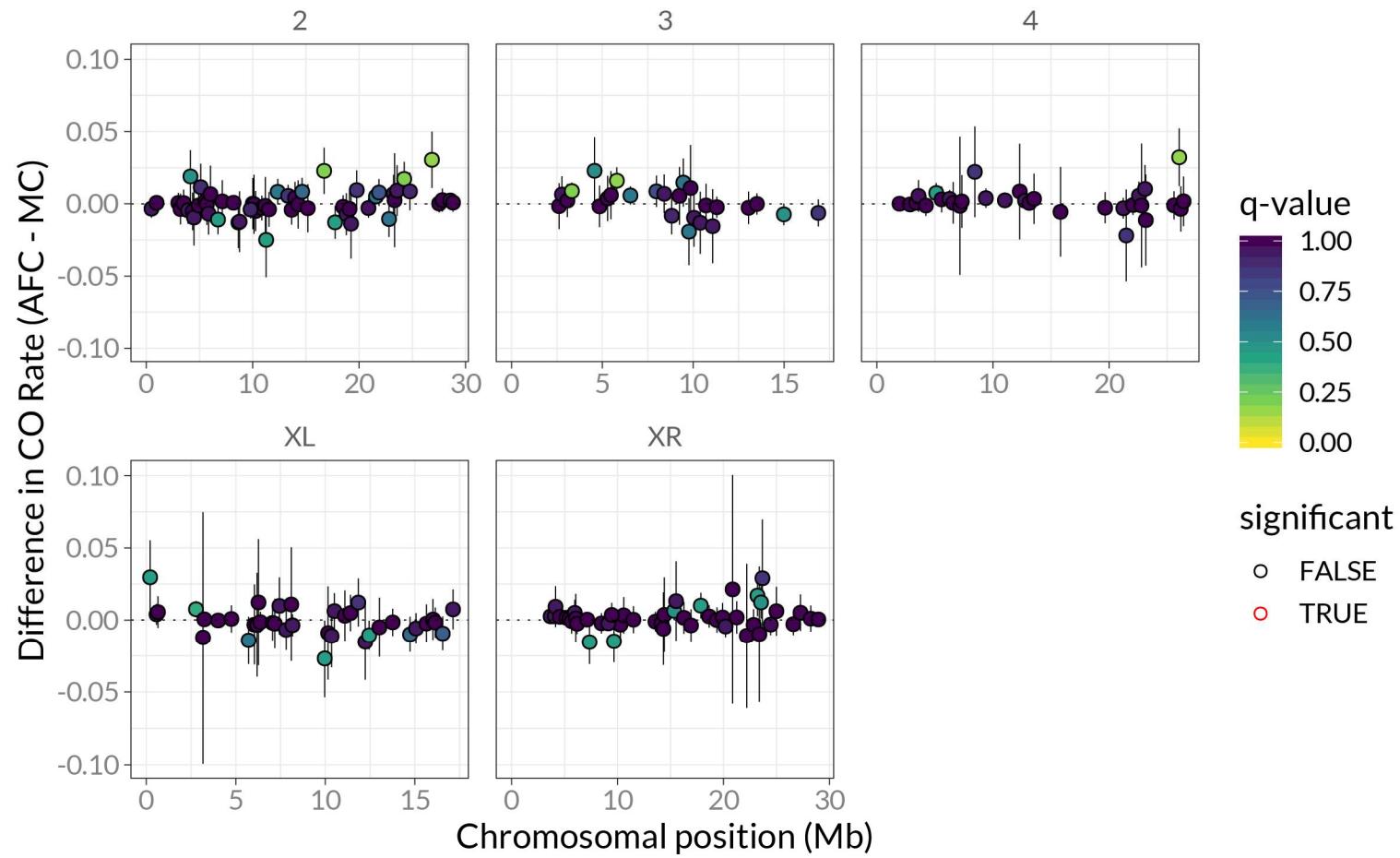


Figure S4 | Differences in recombination rate (AFC minus MC) for individual recombination intervals along the genome (position on x-axis). Each point represents the mean difference in rate for a single interval (all inbred lines considered together, $n = 12$ for all AFC intervals, $n = 7$ for all MC intervals), with vertical lines depicting 95% confidence intervals. Points are colored by their q-value (FDR corrected p-value) for a test comparing the to a null value of zero, with red outlines depicting intervals that exceeded intervals where $q < 0.05$ (of which there are none, in this case).

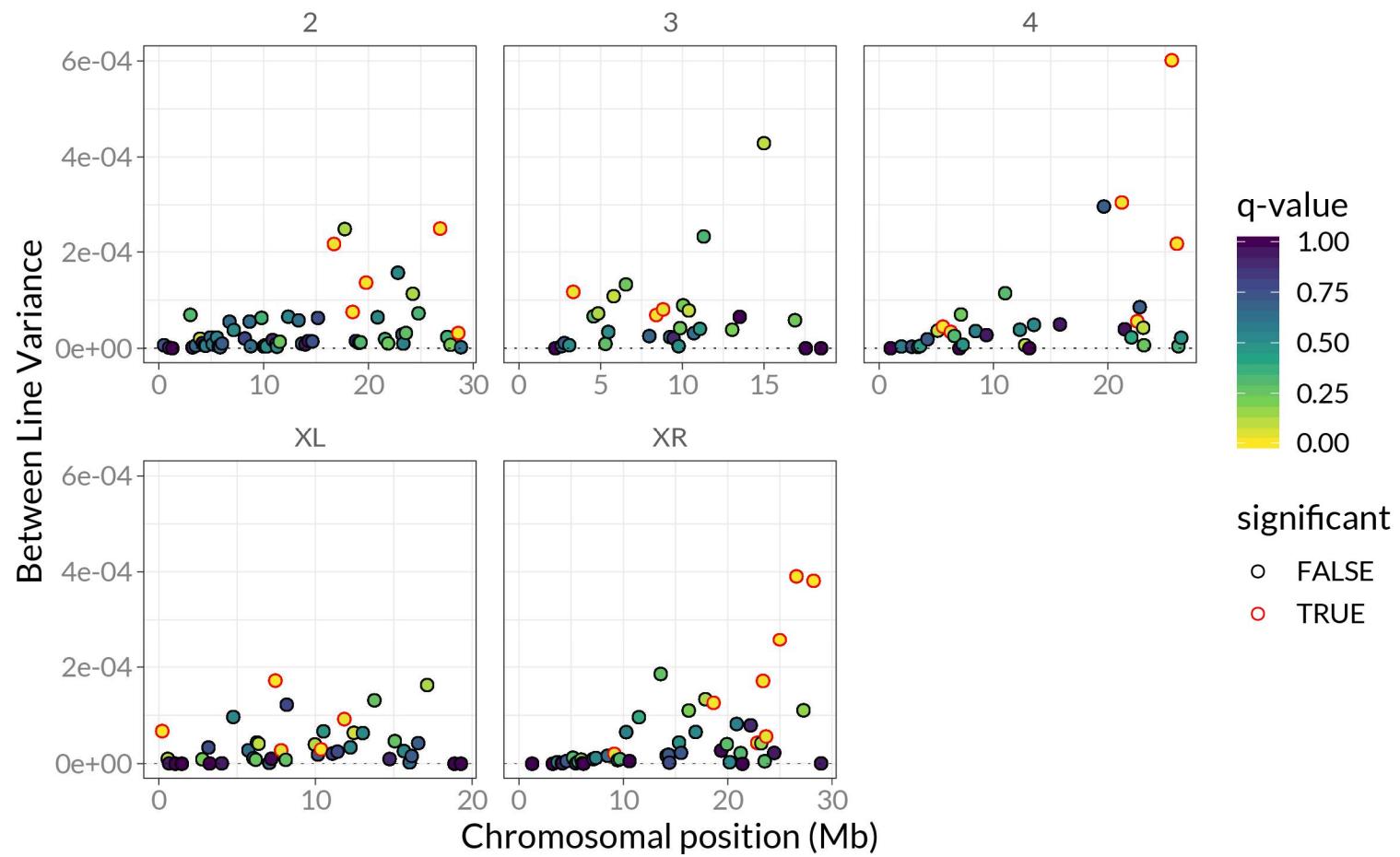


Figure S5 | Between line variance (variance in recombination rate for all inbred lines, y-axis) for individual recombination intervals along the genome (x-axis). Each point represents the interline variance for a single interval (all inbred lines considered together, $n = 12$ for all AFC intervals, $n = 7$ for all MC intervals). Points are colored by their q-value (FDR corrected p-value) derived from an ANOVA (F-test) with crossover rate as the response and inbred line as the explanatory variable, with red outlines depicting intervals where $q < 0.05$.

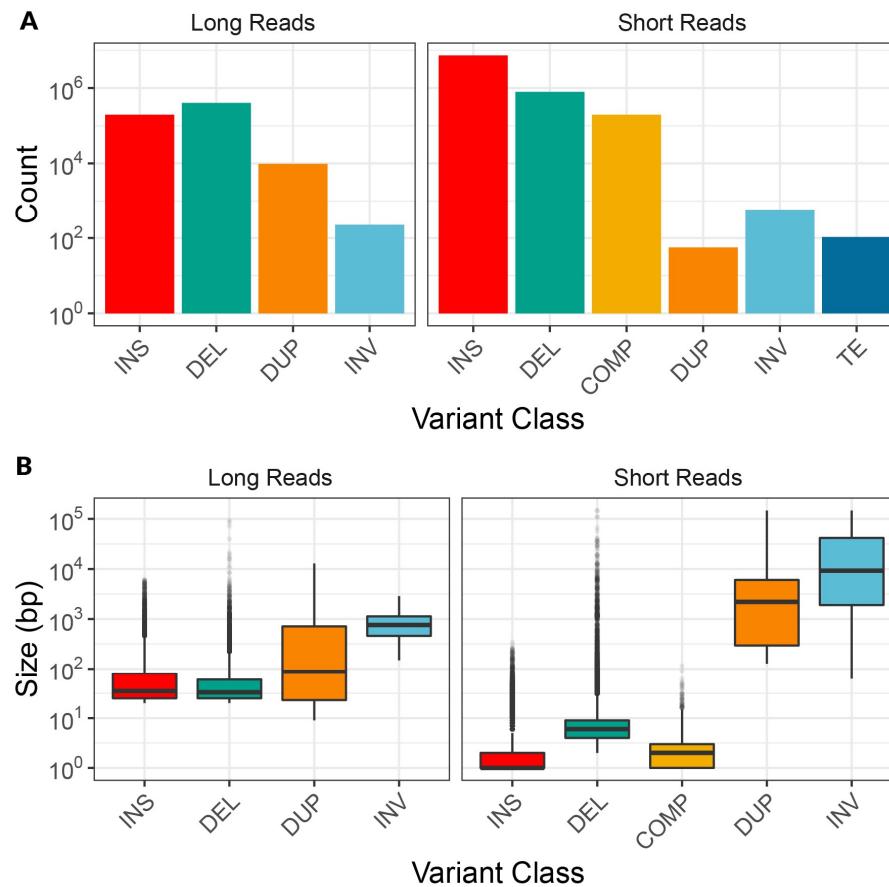


Figure S6| Summary of the count (A) and size in base pairs (B) of structural variants identified via short and long read sequencing. Structural variant classes are: insertions (INS), deletions (DEL), complex indels (COMP), duplications (DUP), inversions (INV), transposable elements (TE).