

# CHAPTER 5

## SHIFTING NICHES PROMOTE DIVERSIFICATION ALONG A THERMAL GRADIENT

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# ABSTRACT

The holy grail of ecology is to explain differences in species richness between clades or regions. The diversification rate of clades is a key parameter for understanding such patterns. Here, we use a time calibrated phylogeny in combination with thermal data for the marine brown algal genus *Dictyota* in order to investigate the evolution of niches through time in relation to diversification rates and species diversity patterns. Our results show that species diversification within this genus is positively associated with the ability of clades to shift their thermal niche. This outcome might have implications for the interpretation of large scale marine diversity patterns, however the generality of our findings should be tested in the future.

# INTRODUCTION

Differences in speciation and extinction as well as geographic range changes underlie large-scale biodiversity patterns. Identification of general mechanisms that influence diversification across taxonomic groups and temporal scales, however, has proven a hard nut to crack (e.g. Butlin *et al.*, 2009). Among the many theories to explain the unevenness in biodiversity across large spatial scales, biologists have studied and speculated about a link between species richness and climate for over two centuries (Clarke & Gaston, 2006). This link is most emblematically presented by the latitudinal diversity gradient, a trend of higher biodiversity in the tropics to lower biodiversity towards the poles which has been well characterized for terrestrial (Pianka, 1966; Hillebrand, 2004a; Ricklefs, 2006) as well as marine organisms (Roy *et al.*, 1998; Hillebrand, 2004b). Despite the generality of this trend and a proliferation of different hypotheses, a universally accepted explanation remains elusive (Mittelbach *et al.*, 2007). Differences in diversification rates have featured prominently in several evolutionary explanations. For terrestrial organisms, climate has long been identified as a factor with a pronounced effect on diversification rates. Both rapid shifts (Kozak & Wiens, 2007) as well as conservatism (Kozak & Wiens, 2006) of the climatic niche may interact with rates of diversification. Recently, Kozak & Wiens (2010) demonstrated that rates of ecological niche evolution correlate with diversification rate and these rates are higher in tropical latitudes. The accessibility of global environmental data (Kozak *et al.*, 2008), have created new opportunities for studying species' climatic niches and understanding how past climate changes have shaped extant species diversity. In addition, studies investigating the role of climate on speciation and diversification are receiving renewed attention in the light of anthropogenic climate change (Parmesan & Yohe, 2003; Evans *et al.*, 2009).

Despite covering more than 70% of the earth's surface and hosting a huge diversity of organisms, marine patterns of diversity and the processes underlying these patterns have received considerably less attention compared to terrestrial ecosystems. Moreover some recent studies reveal important contrasts to widely held terrestrial paradigms, which highlight the need to specifically address marine diversification (Tittensor *et al.*, 2010). Accelerated diversification rates for marine organisms have been correlated with large-scale physical restructuring of oceans (Steeman *et al.*, 2009), habitat availability (Williams, 2007; Williams & Duda, 2008) often in combination with increased ecological species interactions (Alfaro *et al.*, 2007; Cowman & Bellwood, 2011) or the acquisition of key innovations (Alfaro *et al.*, 2009; Slater *et al.*, 2010). However, marine studies particularly focusing on the relation between climatic niche evolution and diversification are non-existing.

Temperature has long been regarded a key factor regulating the diversity of organisms and its consistent and dominant role in structuring broad-scale marine diversity patterns was recently endorsed (Tittensor *et al.*, 2010). Seaweeds have featured prominently in studies establishing a crucial role of sea surface temperature in shaping the range and geographical distributions of marine organisms (Pielou, 1977; Van Den Hoek, 1982; Breeman, 1988; Lüning, 1990; Bolton, 1994; Breeman & Pakker, 1994; Santelices & Marquet, 1998; Santelices *et al.*, 2009; Eggert, 2012). Critical temperatures for the completion of the life history were experimentally assessed for many species and correlated well to their respective geographic boundaries (Breeman, 1988). More recently evolutionary studies revealed a strong phylogenetic imprint of temperature and considerable niche conservatism (Breeman *et al.*, 2002; Verbruggen *et al.*, 2009).

Here, we study the evolution of thermal niches through time in relation to diversification rates and species diversity patterns, using the brown macroalga *Dictyota* as model entity.

# MATERIALS AND METHODS

## STUDY TAXON

We use the brown algal genus *Dictyota* as a model taxon for this study. This widespread genus abounds in tropical to cold-temperate seas and is an important constituent of the marine flora in these regions (De Clerck *et al.*, 2006). It has a rich history of phylogenetic studies (De Clerck *et al.*, 2006; Tronholm *et al.*, 2010) with nearly complete global taxon sampling (80-90%), making it a good candidate for this study. A recent study suggested that species' thermal tolerances have influenced biogeographical patterns in the genus (Tronholm *et al.*, 2012), further promoting its suitability as a model to examine the relationship between climate and diversification.

## PHYLOGENY AND DIVERSIFICATION

Testing hypotheses about environmental disparity and diversification requires a time-calibrated phylogeny. We have assembled an 8-locus alignment of 103 *Dictyota* species and 26 outgroup species based on a combination of newly generated and previously published data (De Clerck *et al.*, 2006; Hwang *et al.*, 2009; Tronholm *et al.*, 2010; Tronholm *et al.*, 2012). Phylogenetic trees were inferred using partitioned ML and Bayesian phylogenetic inference, and chronograms were estimated using an auto-correlated clock model with node age constraints derived from a brown algal time-calibrated phylogeny (Silberfeld *et al.*, 2010). We refer to Appendix S1 for details about the construction of the phylogeny and estimation of divergence times. We constructed a consensus tree and selected a random subset of 1,500 chronograms for use in subsequent analyses. Tempo of species diversification was investigated with a three-step procedure (See Appendix S1) taking the consensus tree as the basis for the analyses. The accumulation of lineages over time was first visualized using a lineages-through-time (LTT) plot. We then examined diversity dynamics from the phylogeny using birth–death model of cladogenesis developed by Rabosky (2006) and further elaborated by Morlon *et al.* (2011). The latter are thought to give more realistic estimates of extinction rates while also accommodating for incomplete taxon sampling.

## GEOGRAPHIC AND THERMAL DATA

To estimate the thermal affinities of species, we retrieved geographical coordinates from recently collected specimens for which the identification has been confirmed by DNA sequence information. This resulted in 1,144 unique localities for 103 species. Our sampling represented a good balance between tropical (622) and temperate locations (522) (Figure S2.1). We extracted mean sea surface temperature (SST) data for each of these locations from the marine environmental dataset Bio-ORACLE (Tyberghein *et al.*, 2012). The SST data are summarized in Table S2.1.

## ANALYSIS OF SPECIATION AND BIOGEOGRAPHY

To quantify the relative importance of different modes of diversification, we evaluated all speciation events that gave rise to at least one individual species (see Malay & Paulay, 2009).

Species occurrence records were mapped in ArcGIS and species ranges were visually analyzed. Species were considered allopatric when they had separate ranges. Species ranges that abut were termed parapatric, whereas species ranges that show a certain degree of overlap were called sympatric. The full list of species' geographic distributions relative to each other can be found in Table S2.2.

## THERMAL NICHE EVOLUTION

Patterns of thermal niche evolution were examined with two methods. First, ancestral SST affinities were inferred using a generalized least squares approach implemented in COMPARE (Martins, 2004) and plotted on the chronogram with TreeGradients v1.03 (Verbruggen, 2008). The distribution of thermal affinities was also visualized with a disparity-through-time plot and quantified by calculating a disparity index (MDI = morphological disparity index). Disparity-through-time plots permit a visual exploration of whether for any given time in the phylogeny, environmental differences are more pronounced within subclades or between subclades. The observed disparity for our data was compared with 10,000 simulations under a Brownian motion model of trait evolution (Harmon *et al.*, 2003). The MDI quantifies the overall difference in relative disparity of a clade compared with the expectation under the null model (MDI, Harmon *et al.*, 2003). Analyses were carried out with the 'geiger' package in R (R Development Core Team, 2008; Harmon *et al.*, 2008).

## RELATING DIVERSIFICATION TO THERMAL NICHE EVOLUTION

While the methods above can provide insight in the diversification of the genus as well as the evolution of the thermal niche, they do not relate them. To address the principal goal of examining the influence of thermal niche evolution on the rate of species diversification, we set up two analyses.

First, we optimized a model that relates species' traits to diversification rates in a phylogenetic context to establish whether a relationship exists between rates of diversification and SST affinities in *Dictyota*. This method relates net diversification  $\lambda$  to a trait value, in our case SST, as follows:

$$\ln \frac{\lambda}{1 - \lambda} = \beta \cdot \text{SST} + \alpha$$

This model, implemented and published by Paradis (Paradis, 2005), is designed to detect monotonic relationships between the trait value (SST) and the rate of diversification ( $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the model parameters). It was optimized with the yule.cov function in the 'ape' package for R (Paradis *et al.*, 2004). It was compared to the standard Yule model in which the rate of diversification is a constant (and thus unaffected by SST values) with the small sample size-corrected Akaike Information Criterion (AICc). The analysis was performed on the 1,500 posterior trees to take uncertainty in the topology and its time-calibration into account.

Second, we devised a procedure to test the hypothesis that clades with more variable SST affinities show accelerated diversification. This procedure is based on subdividing the tree into major clades and fitting a linear regression model to quantify the association between the rate of thermal

evolution and the rate of diversification of the clades. The clades were defined by slicing the phylogeny using a time-specific threshold. The threshold value (55 Ma) was chosen to postdate the radiation of the genus into its major clades. To avoid conditioning our results on a very specific time in the past, we repeated our analyses on a Bayesian posterior sample of trees and sampled threshold values from a normal distribution around that threshold (standard deviation 4 Ma). Clades containing less than four species were discarded from subsequent analyses because parameter values are unlikely to be inferred accurately.

Net diversification rates of clades were estimated from the clade age and the present species diversity of the clade (method-of-moments estimator) (Magallon & Sanderson, 2001). We will indicate the diversification rate of clade  $i$  as  $\lambda_i$ . The rate of thermal niche evolution was measured as the rate parameter of a Brownian motion model of evolution optimized on the SST affinities of the species in the clade. This parameter is denoted  $\sigma_i^2$  for clade  $i$ . High  $\sigma_i^2$  values indicate faster thermal niche evolution.

As an initial test of concept and to visualize the relationship between  $\sigma_i^2$  and  $\lambda_i$ , we applied this method on the consensus chronogram. Based on the time threshold, the tree was subdivided into independent clades. For each clade,  $\sigma_i^2$  and  $\lambda_i$  were calculated. The resulting value pairs were plotted, and a linear regression model  $\lambda = \beta \cdot \sigma^2 + \alpha$  was fitted to the  $(\sigma_i^2, \lambda_i)$  data points. This was then repeated with one hundred random threshold values drawn from the normal distribution.

Subsequently, we conducted the same analysis on the posterior sample of 1,500 time-calibrated trees to evaluate the consistency of the obtained pattern against differences in the topology, node ages and threshold values. We inferred the relationship between  $\lambda$  and  $\sigma^2$  for each tree individually, storing the slope of the relationship for each of the 1,500 replicates. To verify whether the obtained slopes differ from those expected in the absence of a structural relationship between  $\lambda$  and  $\sigma^2$ , we performed the same analysis on datasets generated under the null model in which diversification does not depend on niche evolution. Therefore, we simulated 1,500 trees under a birth-death model (TreeSim: Stadler, 2011) with the parameters obtained from a randomly drawn *Dictyota* tree from the posterior set. Subsequently we simulated credible SST affinities for the species of the simulated trees using fastBM from the phytools package (Revell, 2011) with the rate parameter estimated from a randomly drawn *Dictyota* tree. For each of the 1,500 simulated datasets, we determined the slope of the relationship between  $\lambda$  and  $\sigma^2$  as described above. The slopes obtained from the real *Dictyota* data were compared to the slopes from the simulated data using a Wilcoxon signed-rank test.

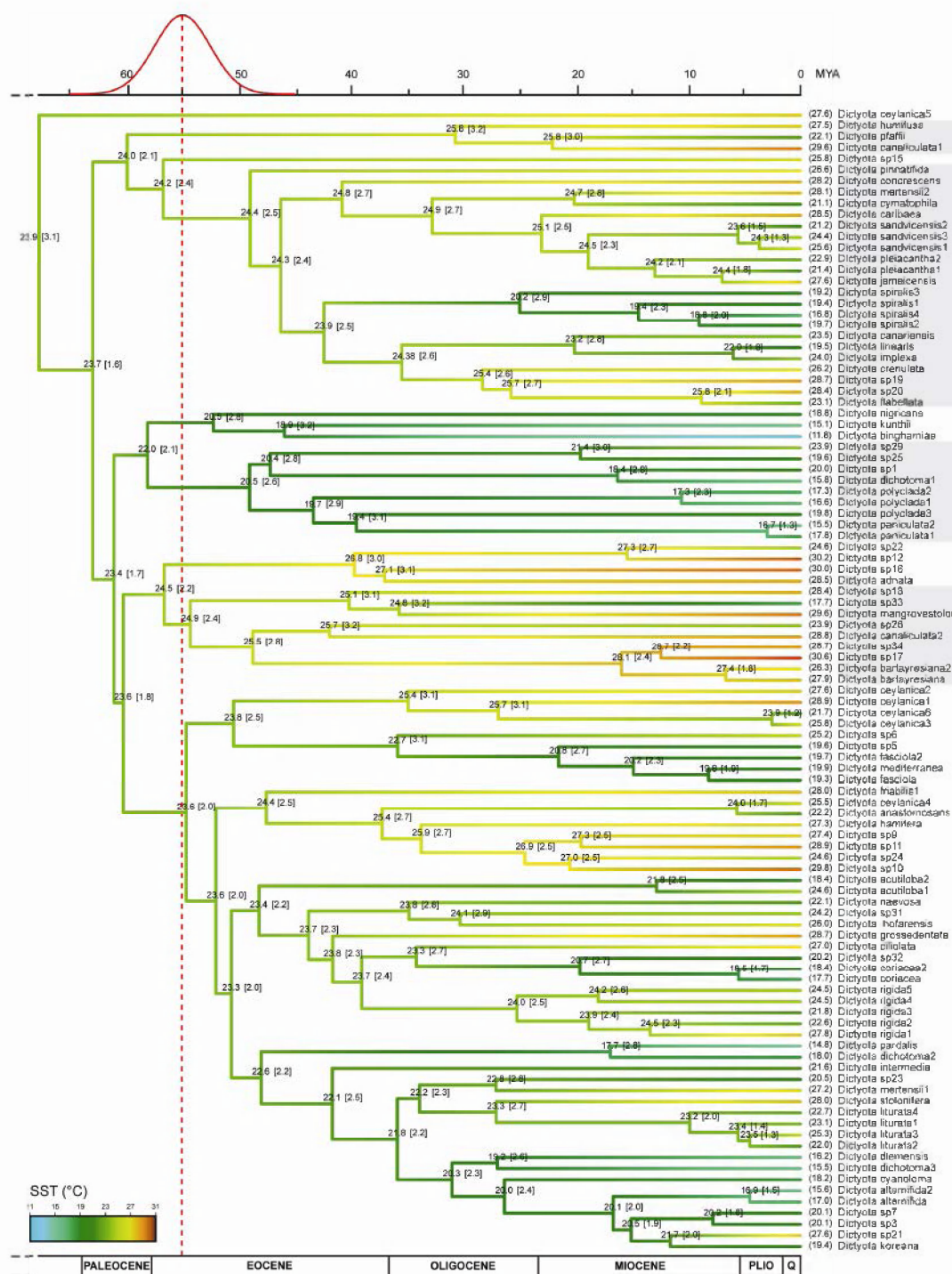


Figure 1: Inferred evolutionary history of the thermal niche in *Dictyota*, showing the scattered distribution of species with warmer and colder sea surface temperature affinities across the tree. The estimated ancestral SST affinities are plotted at nodes and visualized on the phylogeny along a color gradient, with blue indicating cold waters over green and yellow colors indicating temperate waters to tropical waters in red. The dashed red line indicates the temporal threshold used to define clades C1-9. This threshold was varied in the analyses according to the normal distribution shown in red at the top of the figure (see text for details).

## RESULTS

Our analyses were aimed at documenting the diversification and thermal evolution of *Dictyota*. Following a brief exploration of some basic results that help introduce the dataset, we will proceed to more detailed analyses that address various details of the relationship between species diversification and thermal niche affinities.

The inferred evolutionary history of sea surface temperature affinities (Figure 1) clearly indicates that evolution along the thermal niche axis has not been homogeneous throughout the genus. While some clades are mainly found in colder water (C5, C6) and others are predominantly tropical (C7, C8), the majority of clades contain a mixture of species from colder and warmer regions. While the ancestral states for the oldest nodes in the tree would suggest that the genus originated in warm-temperate waters, the uncertainty about these estimates is very high (Figure 1). Disparity-through-time plots show that the evolution of SST affinities does not deviate from the expectation under Brownian motion null model (Figure 2; MDI = 0.079, p-value = 0.177).

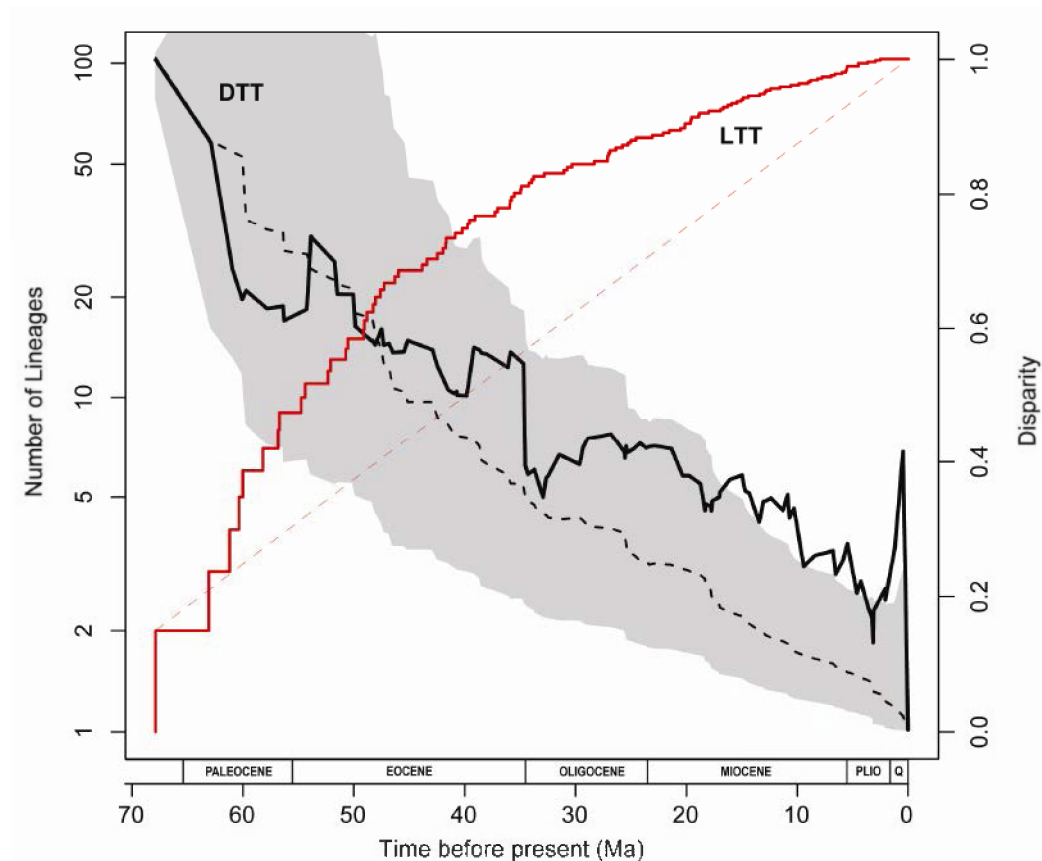
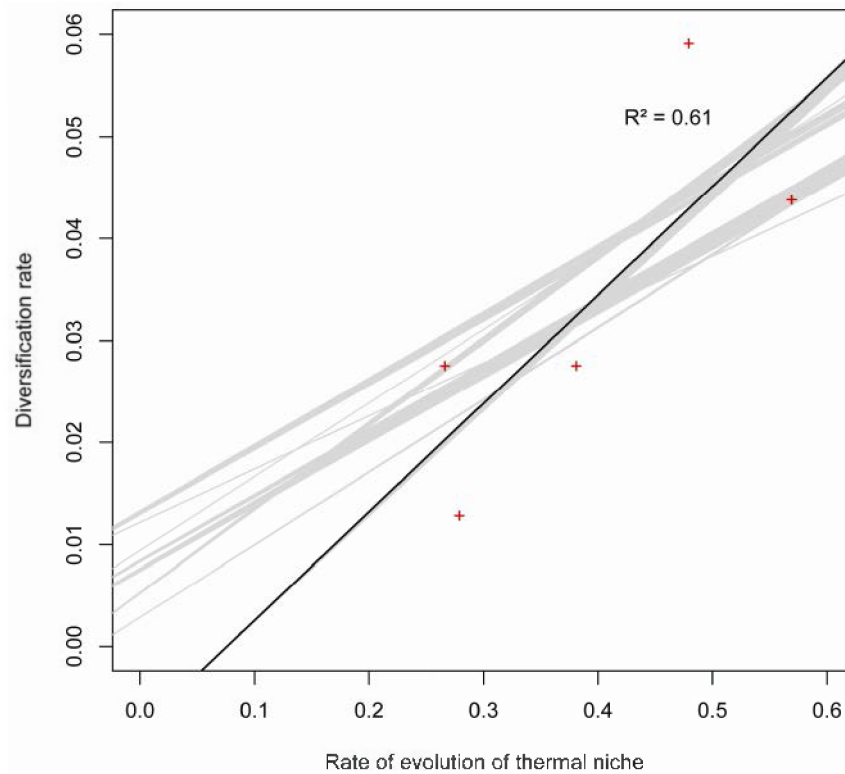


Figure 2: Lineage- and disparity-through-time plots. The lineage-through-time plot (in red) shows that *Dictyota* shows a period of rapid diversification early on and slower diversification later on. This deviates from the pattern expected under homogeneous diversification (pink ribbon). The disparity-through-time plot (black line) largely lies within the expectation under Brownian motion evolution (gray ribbon), indicating that variation in the thermal niche is not found predominantly within or among clades but is more homogeneously spread across the phylogeny. The grey shaded area indicates the 95% DTT range for the simulated data.

The phylogenetic tree and a lineages-through-time plot indicate that the genus experienced an early period of rapid diversification in the Paleocene and early Eocene followed by slower diversification in the remainder of the Cenozoic (Figures 1 & 2). This visual assessment is confirmed by the fact that diversification models with decreasing rates of diversification better match the data (Table S1.3). A range of analyses indicates that extinction rates have been very low and that extinction is not likely to have played a major role in the diversification dynamics of the group (Tables S1.3 & S1.4).



**Figure 3:** Regression analysis showing the positive relationship between the rate of species diversification and the rate of evolution of the thermal niche among *Dictyota* clades. The black line represents the regression inferred with the temporal threshold set at 55 Ma (red line in Figure 1). Dashed grey lines are regressions based on 100 randomly chosen threshold values from the normal distribution.

A model designed to relate the rate of diversification with species traits shows that the SST affinities of lineages have had very little impact on their diversification rates ( $\beta = 0.018 \pm 0.021$ ), and that this model is not selected over a simple Yule model of diversification ( $\Delta\text{AICc} = -2.05 \pm 0.21$  in favor of simple Yule model). However, analysis aimed at relating diversification to variability in SST affinities did show that clades with variable thermal niches diversify more rapidly (Figure 3). This result is robust to phylogenetic uncertainty and the exact position of the threshold (slope  $\beta = 0.06 \pm 0.02$  across trees). Furthermore, this result is not a consequence of an autocorrelation that may exist between the number of species in a clade and the thermal niche diversity of that clade, as indicated by the fact that slopes are, on average, an order of magnitude higher in *Dictyota* than in simulations under the null hypothesis assuming is no association between SST affinities and diversification (Figure 4).

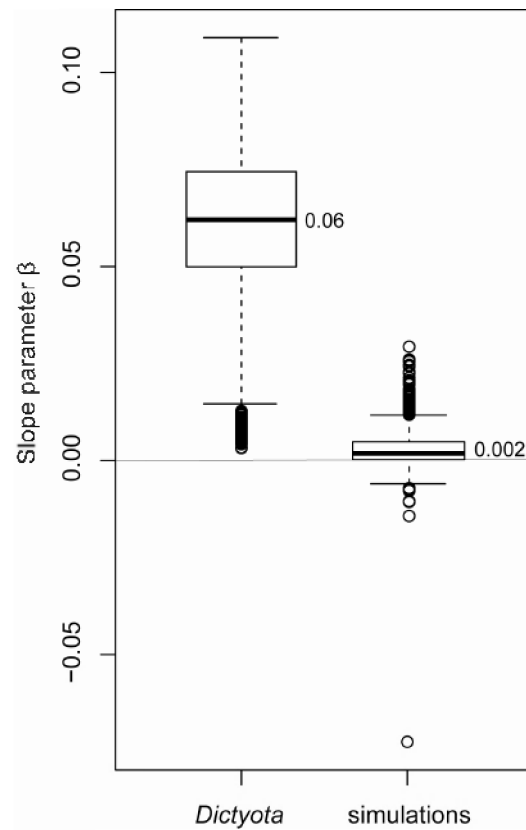
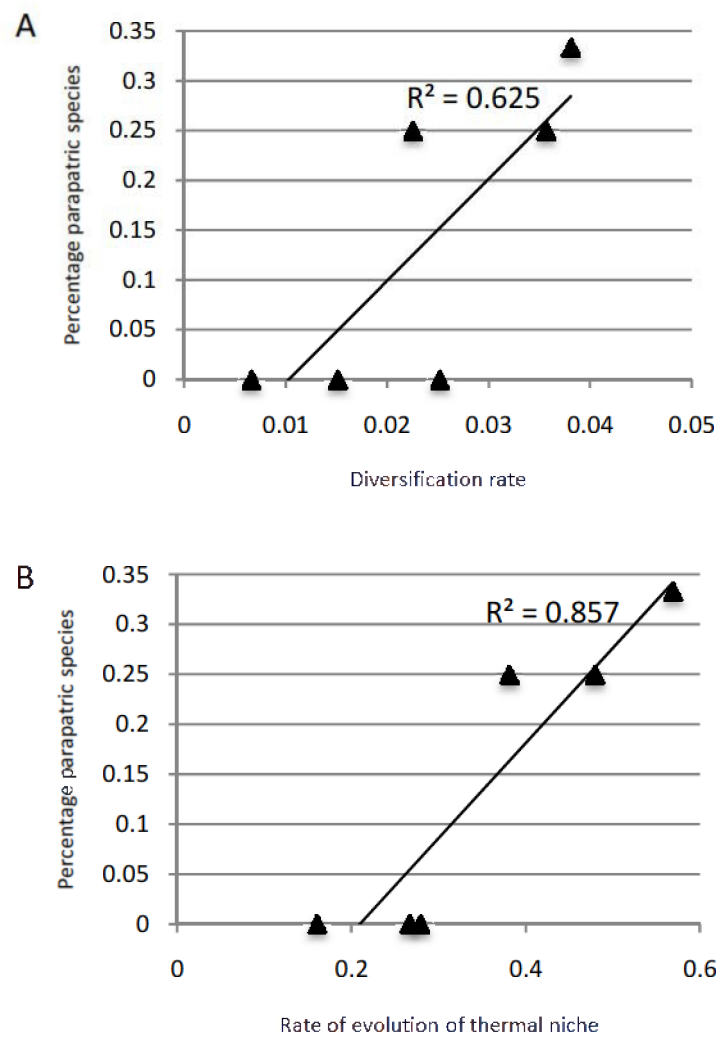


Figure 4: Comparison of inferred slopes of the rate of diversification as a function of the rate of thermal niche evolution (cf. Figure 3) for our dataset (left boxplot) and the null hypothesis that there is no relationship between diversification and thermal niche evolution (right boxplot). The boxplots represent variation in the topology (sampled from the posterior set of *Dictyota* trees) and the threshold values used to define clades. They show median values (thick line), lower and upper quartiles (box), 5% and 95% percentiles (lines) and outliers (circles).

The direction of the great majority of thermal niche shifts is from warmer waters to colder waters (Figure S1.3). Among clades that do not have a conserved thermal niche, those that have shifted from warmer to colder waters have higher rates of diversification than those that have moved from colder water into warmer water (Figure S1.3). Among clades with conserved thermal niches, the rate of diversification does not differ between warm-water clades and colder-water clades (Figure S1.4). Interpreting the observed pattern from a geographical perspective demonstrates that the percentage of sister taxa with contiguous, non-overlapping ranges (parapatric species) is higher in clades with higher diversification rates ( $R^2 = 0.625$ , Figure 5a). Similarly, the percentage parapatric species correlates with evolutionary rate of the thermal niche, indicating that these speciation events may follow a latitudinal pattern ( $R^2 = 0.857$ , Figure 5b).



Figuur 5: Regression analysis showing the positive relationship between the percentage of parapatric species and the rate of species diversification (A) and between the percentage of parapatric species and the rate of evolution of the thermal niche among *Dictyota* clades (B).

## DISCUSSION

Our results show that species diversification in the marine algal genus *Dictyota* is positively associated with the ability of clades to shift their thermal niche. Despite the seemingly haphazard evolution of the thermal niche and unremarkable diversification dynamics when analyzed separately, the association between both is strong. We demonstrate that this correlation between niche evolution and diversification is robust against topological uncertainty and independent of clade age.

As pointed out by Kozak & Wiens (2010), higher diversification rates are probably caused by higher rates of niche evolution instead of the other way around. A mechanism that can explain increased rates of niche evolution as a consequence of increased diversification is currently unknown. Older, more species rich clades might be expected to spread into more climatic niches by chance alone. However, this possibility is accounted for by evaluating clades comparable of age. In addition to that, the rate of thermal niche evolution within a clade, and not simply the variance in thermal values among species was considered. Indeed, we found no relationship between thermal variance and species richness within a clade.

The evolvability of the niche of a lineage can affect both speciation and extinction rates. In lineages with conserved niches, speciation is more likely to result from vicariance (allopatric) as a result of dispersal limitation than from changes along a niche gradient, which would be a more common speciation mechanism in lineages with higher niche evolvability. This simple model relating the diversification dynamics of a lineage to its niche evolvability is influenced by a number of external elements. An important factor is the steepness and temporal variability of the climatic gradients, in our case the latitudinal gradient in sea surface temperatures. In what follows, we will discuss several aspects of this conceptual model.

The observed diversity pattern in *Dictyota* can be interpreted as an evolutionary response to Cenozoic climatic evolution which established a steep latitudinal temperature gradient. A mechanistic explanation allowing for speciation along such an environmental gradient was offered by Doebeli & Dieckman (2003) who demonstrated that spatial segregation of divergent phenotypes was critically dependent on the steepness of the gradient as well as dispersal capacity (movement). First, compared to the present day, the Early Eocene (55-50 mya) displayed almost no latitudinal SST gradient between subequatorial and subpolar regions (Bijl *et al.*, 2009). Subsequent climatic deterioration established a latitudinal temperature gradient already by the end of the Late Eocene. Secondly, under the model of Doebeli & Dieckman (2003) evolutionary branching and spatial segregation is promoted if movement distances are short. Seaweeds appear to meet this assumption remarkably well, being considered poor dispersers (Kinlan & Gaines, 2003). In other words, local adaptation along a temperature gradient may very well have resulted in higher diversification rates as observed in our data. Clades with higher diversification rates are also characterized by a higher percentage of sister taxa exhibiting contiguous ranges directed along the thermal gradient. The latter forms an indirect source of evidence for a diversification mode which is primarily driven by adaption and subsequent speciation along the thermal gradient. The imprint of extinction toward the diversity pattern is difficult to assess based on phylogenetic evidence only. It has been noted previously that species with more evolvable niches may cope better with changing environmental conditions, decreasing their risk of extinction, while lineages with conserved niches are more likely to suffer extinction (Cooper *et al.*, 2011). By applying analyses which enable to decouple speciation from extinction (e.g. Morlon *et al.*, 2011), extinction rates are consistently estimated very low, regardless of clade (Table S1.4), pointing towards a dominant role for speciation in shaping the observed diversity pattern.

Jablonski et al. (2006) present a model based on genera of fossilized bivalves that is superficially complementary with our findings. The 'out of the tropics model' (OTT model) predicts that taxa preferentially originate in the tropics and expand over time into temperate regions. This is consistent with the directionality of thermal niche evolution of *Dictyota*, whereby the majority of lineages moves from warm to cold waters and not vice versa. However, the OTT model also predicts that diversification should be higher in the tropics, due to higher speciation and lower extinction rates, compared to temperate regions. *Dictyota* lineages constrained to the tropics, however, have consistently lower diversification rates, as do lineages constrained to cold water. Higher diversification rates are observed in those lineages which speciate along a thermal gradient, manifesting itself in high mid-latitudinal diversity.

In addition to the argumentation above linking the ability of lineages to shift niches to their evolutionary success (measured as the rate of diversification), an alternative but not necessarily exclusive scenario is also worth considering. In the marine realm, changes in ocean currents through time are thought to affect connectivity across large geographic scales (Veron, 1995; Paulay & Meyer, 2002; Thiel & Haye, 2006). In periods of low connectivity, population sizes are small and speciation rates increase due to peripatric and allopatric isolation. These isolated populations can evolve more rapidly through genetic drift, creating the potential for rapid thermal niche evolution. Furthermore, if such isolated populations were scattered along various points of the latitudinal thermal gradient, they would be subject to selection for different thermal niche optima, which would also increase their rate of thermal evolution. Similar mechanisms can also affect terrestrial species if climatic cycles lead to speciation by subdividing widespread species into isolated populations. It has to be noted that in both these scenarios, the rate of speciation does not cause increased niche evolution. Instead, an external factor (a selection regime caused by a thermal gradient) impacts simultaneously on rates of speciation and rates of niche evolution, leading to an association between both.

Kozak & Wiens (2010) previously showed a similar association between rates of climatic niche evolution and diversification in plethodontid salamanders. Our study shows that similar mechanisms also affect marine biota. The primary difference between our study and that of Kozak & Wiens (2010) is that the latter analyzed evolution of the multi-dimensional climatic niche whereas we have focused on evolution along the thermal dimension of the niche. Plethodontid salamanders diversify more rapidly in the tropics, where they also have higher rates of niche evolution, for example along the elevational gradient. So, whereas for plethodontids shifts between climatic regimes occur more rapidly in tropical regions where the thermal climate is relatively stable, we find higher diversification in lineages that do vary broadly in their thermal affinities. Differentiation along elevational gradients as found in tropical terrestrial animals is comparable to a latitudinal temperature gradient for algae. A second difference with the study of Kozak & Wiens is that whereas they find rapid niche shifting, our results clearly show that niche evolution is concentrated in a small subset of the branches of the tree, followed by diversification in the newly invaded thermal region. A mere 6% of the branches are responsible for 55% of all thermal niche evolution in the genus. This means that there are a few major niche shifts and other than that thermal evolution is fairly slow and gradual. Almost all of the fast branches move from warmer to colder (one exception) and about half of the fast branches are internal, i.e. they represent an ancestral lineage invading colder water and subsequently diversifying there.

It is intriguing that lineages shown to have a positive association between the rates of niche evolution and diversification also feature a marked decrease in the diversification rate over time. Decreasing diversification has often been interpreted as evidence of diversity-dependent processes (Phillimore & Price, 2008; Rabosky, 2009) acting on speciation-extinction dynamics. Assuming that there are diversity-dependent limits on diversification, the positive association could indicate that niche shifts permits clades to escape from these limits by invading new areas. In the case of

*Dictyota*, we do not consider this possibility very likely for two reasons. First, the ecological literature suggests that seaweed communities are not saturated and that introduced seaweeds are more likely to establish in naturally more diverse habitats (Mineur *et al.*, 2008). Second, the fact that most niche shifts occur from warmer to colder habitats, coincident with the expansion of temperate habitat on both sides of the narrowing tropical belt during the Cenozoic, suggests that clades that have spawned cold-adapted lineages have been able to invade this new habitat, adding to their diversification potential, while clades with more restricted niches have not benefited from this opportunity.

Our results also have implications for the interpretation of latitudinal diversity patterns. The higher overall diversity in the tropics has been attributed to a number of potential causes. In our dataset, we find no evidence for higher diversification in tropics based on the model relating SST to diversification rates. The same result also falsifies other hypotheses such as a relationship between diversification to energy availability, surface areas (tropical provinces are larger, on average), or the time to diversify (tropics have been around for longer). Interestingly, seaweeds display a bimodal latitudinal diversity pattern, with warm-temperate regions being more species-rich than the tropics (Bolton, 1994; Kerswell, 2006; Santelices *et al.*, 2009). Based on a study of global patterns of generic diversity, Kerswell (2006) concluded that richness patterns of seaweeds are shaped by ocean currents through dispersal. Large ocean gyres, travelling poleward along western ocean boundaries and back towards the tropics along the eastern edges, would result in the greatest algal richness in western ocean regions and depauperate tropical floras in the east. Our results counter that explanation because even though *Dictyota* is present in the tropics as well as the rich temperate regions, it is clearly not a consequence of currents extending it into temperate waters. Our results clearly show that the species occurring at mid-latitudes are temperate-water specialists that are endemic in these regions, and they are not mid-latitude extensions of essentially tropical species. In fact, our results prove that any explanation based only on mechanisms working in an ecological timescale cannot explain the patterns of diversity. It is only using an evolutionary approach that one can discover how temperate water has been colonized from the tropics through niche shifts.

## CONCLUSION

The question of what determines rates of diversification is a key problem for both ecologists and evolutionary biologists. We show that for the marine algal genus *Dictyota*, species diversification is positively associated with the ability of clades to shift their thermal niche. This study is the first to present a pattern for marine species in which higher niche evolution leads to higher rates of diversification. Although this is very intriguing, other studies are necessary to investigate the universality of this pattern.

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# APPENDIX

## S1: PHYLOGENY AND DIVERSIFICATION

Species phylogenies were inferred from a multi-gene alignment (*rbcL*, *psaA*, *psbA*, *nad1*, *cox1*, *cox3*, 18S and 26S) of 129 species, using Bayesian inference (BI) and maximum likelihood (ML). The genera *Canistrocarpus*, *Dilophus*, *Padina*, *Rugulopteryx*, *Scoresbyella* and *Dictyopteris* were used as outgroup.

### 1. Model Selection

Using the Bayesian information criterion (BIC), a suitable partition strategy and suitable models of sequence evolution were selected. The guide tree used during the entire procedure was obtained by maximum-likelihood (ML) analysis of the unpartitioned concatenated alignment with PhyML, using a JC +  $\Gamma$ 8 model (Guindon & Gascuel, 2003). Twelve alternative partitioning strategies were evaluated (table S1.1). All subsequent likelihood optimizations and BIC calculations were carried out with Treefinder (Jobb et al., 2004). The preferential model of sequence evolution and partitioning strategy was a GTR +  $\Gamma$ 4 for which all protein coding genes were partitioned in three codon positions and nuclear genes were separated (table S1.2).

Table S1.1: Partitioning strategies

Strategy	Partitions	Details
1	1	All data
2	8	Partitioned by gene
3	3	Mitochondrial genes + Chloroplast genes + Nuclear genes
4	2	Protein coding genes + Nuclear genes
5	20	<b>Protein coding genes (separate codon positions per gene)</b> <b>+ Nuclear genes (separated)</b>
6	19	Protein coding genes (separate codon positions per gene) + Nuclear genes
7	5	Protein coding genes (separate codon positions) + Nuclear genes (separated)
8	4	Protein coding genes (codon positions 1 & 2 + codon position 3) + Nuclear genes (separated)
9	4	Protein coding genes (separate codon positions) + Nuclear genes
10	3	Protein coding genes (codon positions 1 & 2 + codon position 3) + Nuclear genes
11	14	Protein coding genes (codon positions 1 & 2 + codon position 3, per gene) + Nuclear genes (separated)
12	13	Protein coding genes (codon positions 1 & 2 + codon position 3, per gene) + Nuclear genes

**Table S1.2: Results top ten**

PMTstrategy	substmodel	RAStype	likelihood	parameters	AIC	AICc	BIC
<b>5</b>	<b>GTR</b>	<b>G4</b>	<b>-105745.73</b>	<b>456</b>	<b>212403.5</b>	<b>212453.2</b>	<b>215635.1</b>
5	GTR	IG4	-105745.73	476	212443.5	212497.8	215816.8
<b>6</b>	<b>GTR</b>	<b>G4</b>	<b>-105900.63</b>	<b>446</b>	<b>212693.3</b>	<b>212740.8</b>	<b>215854</b>
11	GTR	G4	-106171.06	396	213134.1	213171.4	215940.5
<b>6</b>	<b>GTR</b>	<b>IG4</b>	<b>-105900.63</b>	<b>465</b>	<b>212731.3</b>	<b>212783</b>	<b>216026.6</b>
11	GTR	IG4	-106171.06	410	213162.1	213202.1	216067.7
<b>12</b>	<b>GTR</b>	<b>G4</b>	<b>-106325.95</b>	<b>386</b>	<b>213423.9</b>	<b>213459.3</b>	<b>216159.4</b>
12	GTR	IG4	-106325.95	399	213449.9	213487.7	216277.5
<b>7</b>	<b>GTR</b>	<b>G4</b>	<b>-107217.39</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>215046.8</b>	<b>215068.8</b>	<b>217215.3</b>
7	GTR	IG4	-107217.39	311	215056.8	215079.5	217260.8

## 2. Phylogenetic analysis

ML analyses were performed using RAxML v. 7.2.8 (Stamatakis, 2006). Statistical support for individual nodes was assessed via bootstrapping with 1,000 replicates. BI was conducted with MrBayes 3.1.2 (Ronquist & Huelsenbeck, 2003). Six parallel runs, each consisting of four incrementally heated chains, were run for 30 to 40 million generations, sampling every 2,500 generations. Convergence of log-likelihoods and parameter values were evaluated in Tracer v1.5 (Rambaut & Drummond, 2007). After discarding an appropriate burn-in, we built a consensus tree based on the runs achieving the highest converged likelihoods. The complete BI analysis was then repeated using this consensus tree as a user defined starting tree. The final resulting maximum clade credibility tree is shown in figure S1.2. All analyses were run on the Simon Stevin Computation Cluster at Ghent University, Belgium.

## 3. Divergence-Time Analysis

Chronograms were estimated using PhyloBayes (Lartillot & Philippe, 2004). We randomly sampled 1,500 trees from the MrBayes posterior set and used a log normal clock model to estimate divergence times. The root of the tree was constrained in geological time based on a brown algal time-calibrated phylogeny (Silberfeld et al., 2010). We applied a gamma root height prior set at 110 Ma (95%: 98 – 134).

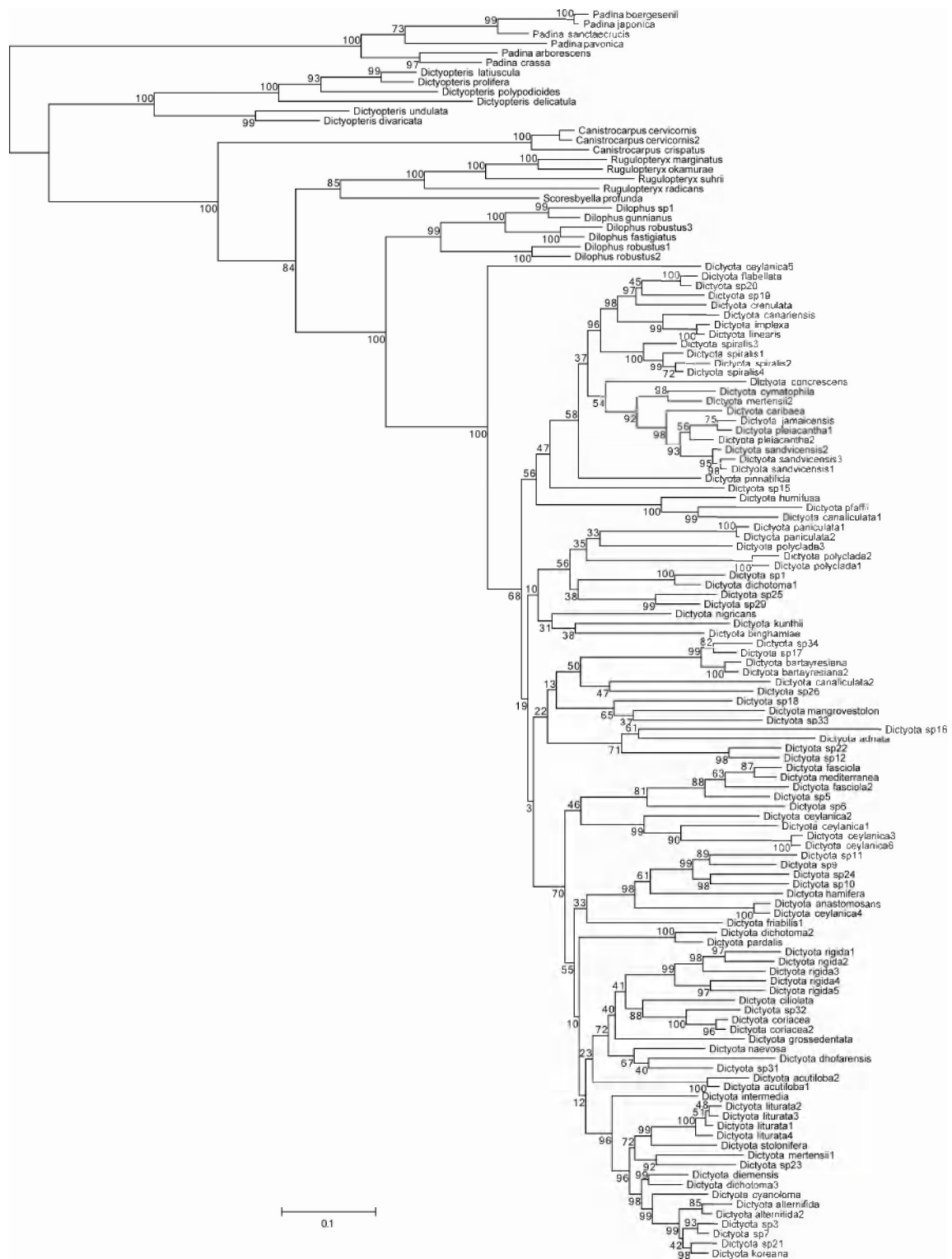


Figure S1.1: Maximum likelihood phylogeny based on the combined dataset of eight genes. Numbers at nodes indicate ML bootstrap proportions (as percentages).

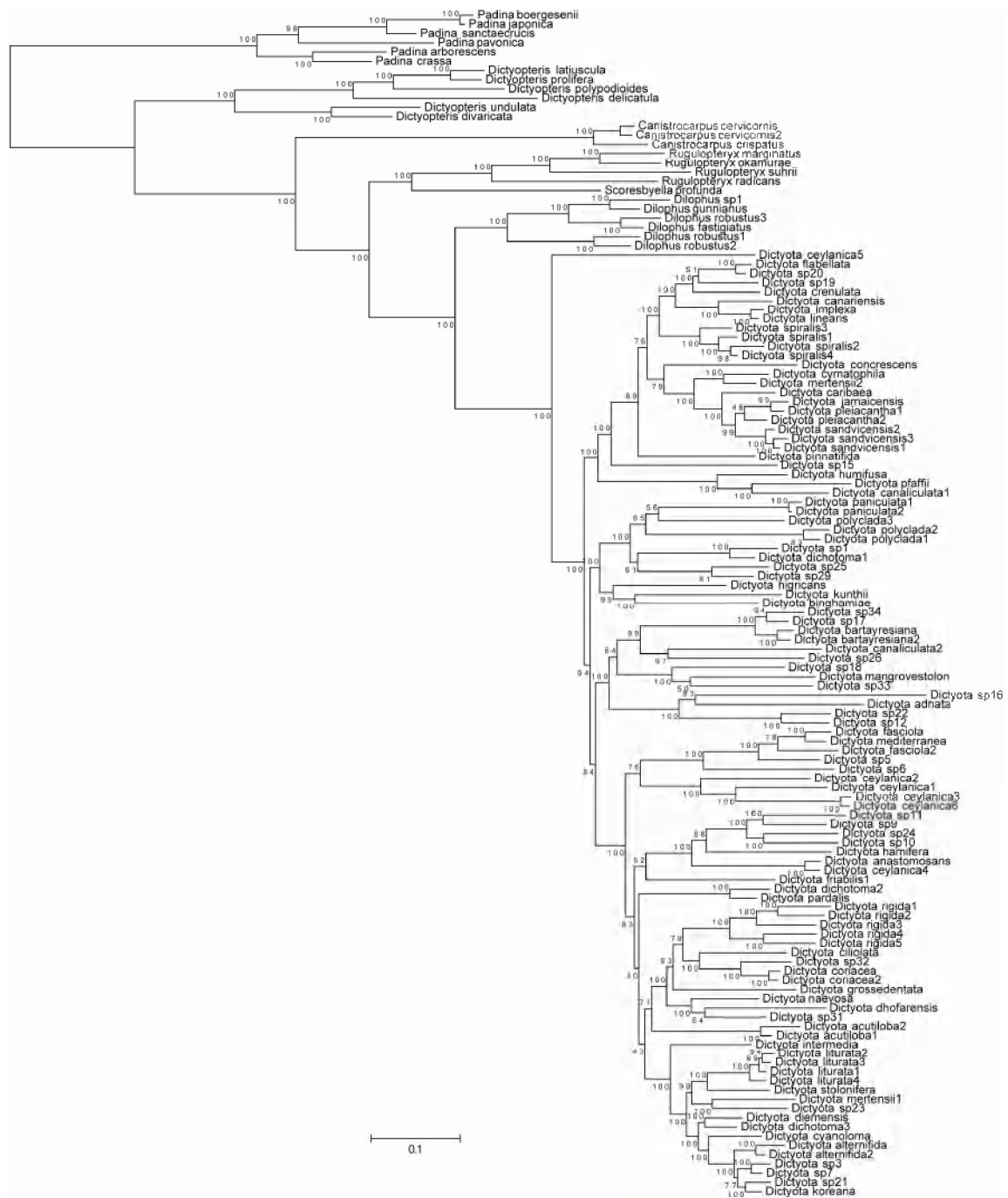


Figure S1.2: Bayesian consensus phylogeny based on the combined dataset of eight genes. Numbers at nodes indicate BI posterior probabilities (as percentages).

#### 4. Diversification analyses

##### Step 1:

A lineage through time plot was developed with the 'APE' package in R (Paradis et al., 2004).

##### Step2:

We used LASER (Rabosky, 2006) to detect temporal variation in diversification rates on the consensus Dictyota phylogeny. We evaluated the fit of the temporal pattern of lineage diversification in Dictyota to a set of rate-constant and rate-variable models:

1. Pure birth model (Yule)
2. Birth-death model
3. Density-dependent model (exponential)
4. Density-dependent model (linear)
5. Yule-2-rate model
6. Yule-3-rate model

The Akaike Information Criterion (AIC) is used for to select among the different models of diversification. The model with the lowest AIC is taken to be the model that best approximates the data. Results are shown in Table S1.3.

##### Step 3:

In addition to step two, we also made use of a recently published method (Morlon et al., 2011) to estimate diversity dynamics from phylogenies. Morlon presented an approach that provides estimates of present-day diversification rates and how these rates vary across lineages. The Dictyota phylogeny was subdivided in clades similar as in figure 1. All nine models were fit each of these clades. Results are shown in Table S1.4.

Table S1.3: Results of fitting rate-constant and rate-variable birth-death models to the empirical *Dictyota* consensus tree (Rabosky, 2006). The best scoring rate-constant model (pink) is a pure birth model. We notice an extinction fraction of 0 (green) when fitting a birth-death model. The best model overall is a yule-3-rate model (blue) with diversification shifts at 33.8 and 3 million years ago. (Legend: np = number of parameters; r1,r2,r3 = net diversification rates; st1,st2 = shift times; a = extinction fraction; x<sub>p</sub> = parameter from the ddx model; k = parameter from the DDL model)

model	np	type	lnL	AIC	r <sub>1</sub>	r <sub>2</sub>	r <sub>3</sub>	st <sub>1</sub>	st <sub>2</sub>	a	x <sub>p</sub>	k
pure birth	1	constant	-73.04	148.07	0.033	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
birth-death	2	constant	-73.04	150.07	0.033	—	—	—	—	0.000	—	—
density-dependent (DDX)	2	variable	-56.06	116.11	0.519	—	—	—	—	—	0.702	—
density-dependent (DDL)	2	variable	-56.37	116.74	0.080	—	—	—	—	—	—	116.65
yule2rates	3	variable	-57.27	120.54	0.075	0.023	—	33.79	—	—	—	—
yule3rates	5	variable	-52.90	115.80	0.075	0.026	0.003	33.79	2.96	—	—	—

Table S1.4: A survey of 9 models of diversification (Morlon *et al.*, 2011) clearly indicates that speciation-only models are the most appropriate for all major clades in Fig 1 (based on the AICc values tabulated here, best-scoring models indicated in blue). When models with variable birth rates were preferred (clades 4,5,8,9), parameter estimates indicated decreasing birth rates through time as also suggested by the results in Table S1.3 above.

model category	model	clade 2	clade 4	clade 5	clade 6	clade 7	clade 8	clade 9
speciation only	B constant	23.28	179.76	24.69	75.37	32.16	76.84	433.37
	B variable E	29.66	177.90	27.15	75.75	35.03	75.50	414.50
	B variable L	28.84	177.69	23.71	76.32	34.44	76.37	416.11
speciation and extinction	BD constant	29.95	181.96	31.36	77.96	36.36	79.43	435.45
	B variable E, D constant	49.66	180.21	44.70	77.32	42.03	77.46	416.49
	B variable L, D constant	48.84	179.64	44.66	77.04	41.42	76.48	414.86
	B constant, D variable E	49.95	184.28	51.36	80.95	43.36	82.42	437.57
	B constant, D variable L	49.92	180.34	44.64	79.90	41.78	81.30	420.03
	B variable E, D variable E		182.65		80.80	56.03	80.90	417.83

Figure S1.3: Diversification as a function of the direction of thermal evolution (TE). The majority of movements are from warmer water into colder water (more points on left side of graph). Rates of diversification are clearly higher in clades shifting their niches from warmer to colder habitats, as indicated by the downward trend in the purple points. This trend is not obvious in clades with more conserved niches (orange points) or clades with intermediate levels of niche evolution (black points). The direction of the thermal niche shift was quantified by subtracting the average SST of contemporary species in the clade from the estimated SST at the ancestral node of the clade in question (dSST). While this metric does not capture the full complexity of niche evolution in the clade, it is a good approximation of the global direction of thermal niche evolution.

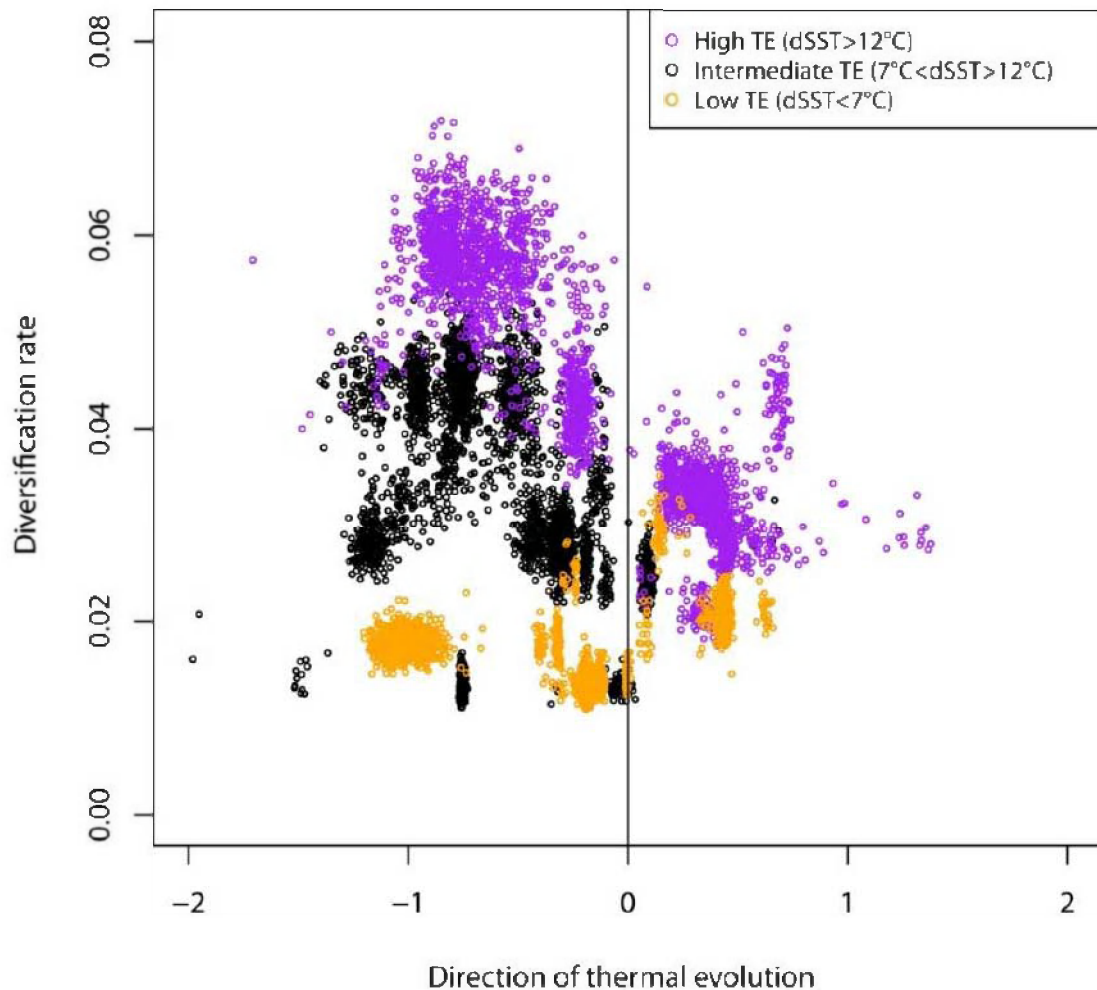


Figure S1.4: There is no clear trend relating the rate of diversification of clades with conservative niches to the thermal niche of those clades. The regression line  $y = -2.3 \cdot 10^{-4} x + 2.23 \cdot 10^{-2}$  has an adjusted  $R^2$  of 0.057. Conservative clades are defined as above, i.e. its species differ by less than 7°C in average SST.

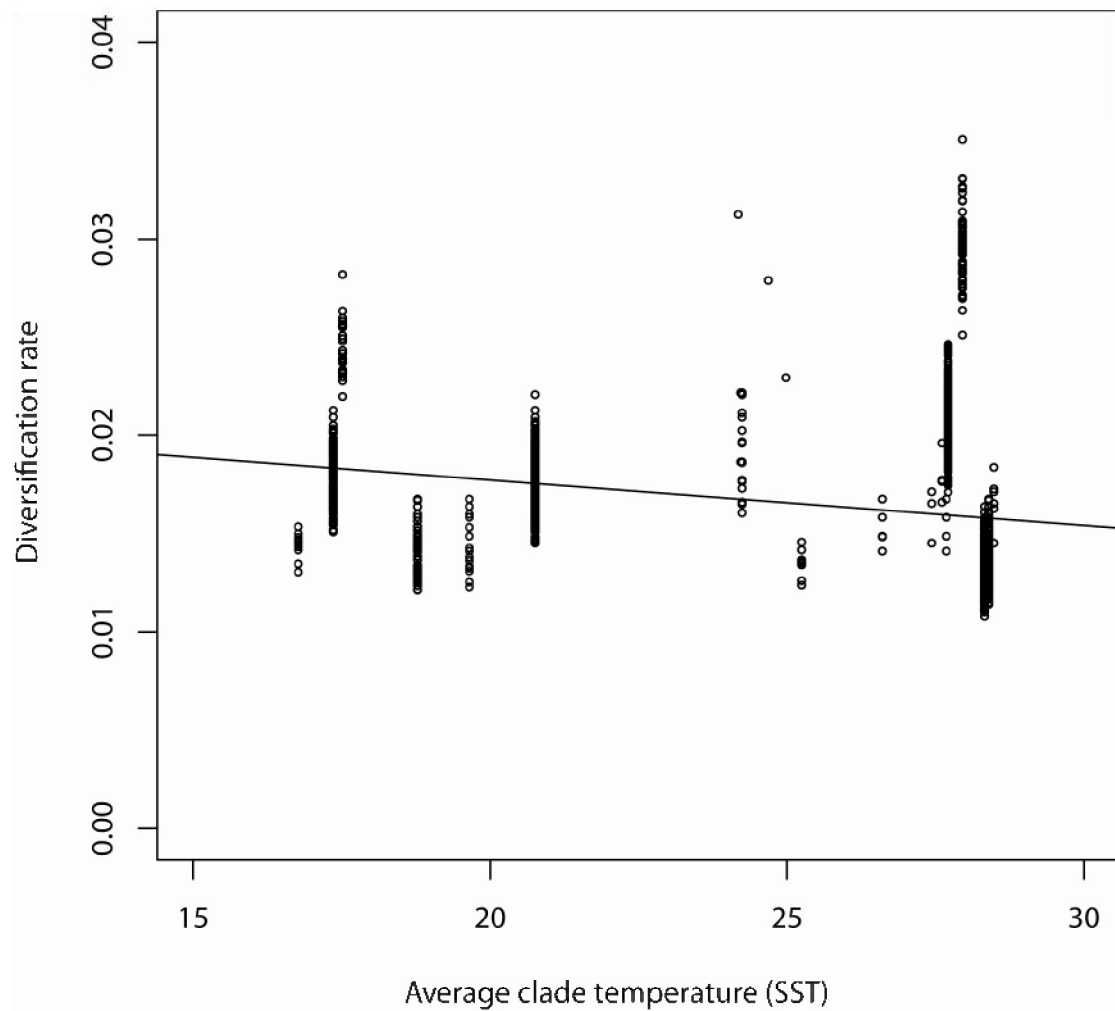


Figure S1.5. Data availability matrix. Graphical representation of the concatenated alignment, showing the availability of sequence data. The color of column and row headers indicate the amount of data available for that column or row. Green indicates high data availability, red indicates low data availability, and yellow/orange represents intermediate data availability.

TAXA	18S	26S	cox1	cox3	nad1	psaA	psaA	rbcl
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<i>Canistocarpus cervicornis</i> 2			GenBank: XX strain: GW5024405 length: 660 nt					
<i>Canistocarpus crispatus</i>		GenBank: GQ425150 strain: HV721 length: 1182 nt	GenBank: GQ425137 strain: ODC1444 length: 610 nt	GenBank: GQ425146 strain: ODC1444 length: 648 nt	GenBank: GQ425176 strain: ODC1444 length: 734 nt	GenBank: XX strain: HV721 length: 1433 nt	GenBank: XX strain: NR11b-01-12 length: 959 nt	GenBank: GQ425119 strain: HV721 length: 1298 nt
<i>Dictyopteris delicatula</i>						GenBank: EU579898 strain: LBC37 length: 1438 nt	GenBank: XX strain: XX length: 813 nt	GenBank: EU579943 strain: Bit.LBC82 length: 1096 nt
<i>Dictyopteris divaricata</i>	GenBank: AB087112 strain: XX length: 1806 nt					GenBank: AY422600 strain: IK44 length: 1532 nt	GenBank: AY430343 strain: Lee.WJ10 length: 870 nt	GenBank: AY422676 strain: Lee.IK44 length: 1293 nt
<i>Dictyopteris latiuscula</i>						GenBank: AY422601 strain: IK52 length: 1532 nt	GenBank: AY430349 strain: Lee.WJ11 length: 870 nt	GenBank: AY422677 strain: Lee.IK52 length: 1293 nt
<i>Dictyopteris polypodioides</i>	GenBank: AB095293 strain: XX length: 1805 nt	GenBank: DQ472097 strain: ODC1031 length: 1108 nt	GenBank: EU681404 strain: SIL.FRA0513 length: 639 nt	GenBank: EU681445 strain: SIL.FRA0533 length: 654 nt		GenBank: EU579899 strain: LBC38 length: 1488 nt	GenBank: EU681639 strain: SIL.FRA0513 length: 845 nt	GenBank: EU579932 strain: Bit.LBC71 length: 1272 nt
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## S2: GEOGRAPHIC AND THERMAL DATA

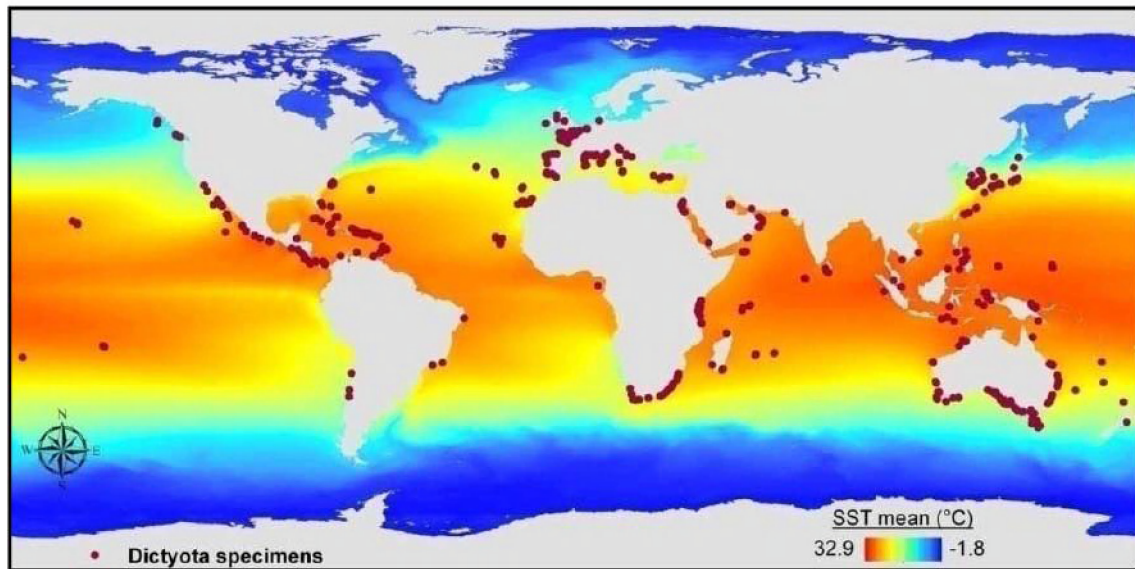


Figure S2.1: Overview *Dictyota* sampling records. The background is represents a mean sea surface temperature layer derived from Bio-ORACLE (Tyberghein *et al.*, 2012).

Table S2.1: Overview *Dictyota* species: amount of samples, amount of unique localities, mean sea surface temperature, standard error of mean sea surface temperature.

Taxa	# samples	# unique localities	mean SST	mean SST Standard Error
<i>Dictyota acutiloba</i> 1	35	24	24.55	0.44
<i>Dictyota acutiloba</i> 2	6	3	18.37	0.17
<i>Dictyota adnata</i>	24	18	28.48	0.39
<i>Dictyota alternifida</i>	16	13	16.98	0.48
<i>Dictyota alternifida</i> 2	2	2	15.62	0.25
<i>Dictyota anastomosans</i>	1	1	22.18	0.00
<i>Dictyota bartayresiana</i>	106	72	27.94	0.13
<i>Dictyota bartayresiana</i> 2	12	4	26.31	1.04
<i>Dictyota binghamiae</i>	15	10	11.75	1.00
<i>Dictyota canaliculata</i> 1	3	3	29.55	0.42
<i>Dictyota canaliculata</i> 2	14	12	28.83	0.37
<i>Dictyota naevosa</i>	17	13	22.06	0.76
<i>Dictyota nigricans</i>	12	12	18.84	0.56
<i>Dictyota paniculata</i> 1	9	8	17.77	0.47
<i>Dictyota paniculata</i> 2	5	3	15.46	0.21
<i>Dictyota pardalis</i>	2	1	14.80	0.00
<i>Dictyota pfaffii</i>	24	16	22.11	0.40
<i>Dictyota pinnatifida</i>	12	9	26.61	0.71
<i>Dictyota pleiacantha</i> 1	13	7	21.42	0.53
<i>Dictyota pleiacantha</i> 2	2	2	22.85	0.19
<i>Dictyota polyclada</i> 1	11	10	16.55	0.36
<i>Dictyota polyclada</i> 2	2	2	17.28	1.26

Dictyota canariensis	25	11	23.47	0.44	Dictyota polyclada3	5	4	19.75	1.03
Dictyota caribaea	6	6	28.46	0.24	Dictyota rigida1	14	9	27.83	0.12
Dictyota ceylanica1	4	3	28.85	0.32	Dictyota rigida2	2	2	22.58	0.41
Dictyota ceylanica2	2	1	27.55	0.00	Dictyota rigida3	4	3	21.78	1.66
Dictyota ceylanica3	5	3	25.83	0.93	Dictyota rigida4	6	6	24.51	0.16
Dictyota ceylanica4	10	8	25.53	1.07	Dictyota rigida5	1	1	24.49	0.00
Dictyota ceylanica5	31	24	27.55	0.39	Dictyota sandvicensis1	4	4	25.62	0.13
Dictyota ceylanica6	4	3	21.71	0.00	Dictyota sandvicensis2	11	6	21.19	0.52
Dictyota ciliolata	147	91	26.97	0.27	Dictyota sandvicensis3	1	1	24.43	0.00
Dictyota conrescens	1	1	28.24	0.00	Dictyota sp1	8	5	19.97	0.45
Dictyota coriacea	4	2	17.66	0.10	Dictyota sp10	1	1	29.78	0.00
Dictyota coriacea2	16	13	18.44	0.62	Dictyota sp11	4	4	28.88	0.39
Dictyota crenulata	16	15	26.20	0.95	Dictyota sp12	1	1	30.21	0.00
Dictyota cyanoloma	92	21	18.21	0.48	Dictyota sp15	4	4	25.83	1.00
Dictyota cymatophila	11	7	21.11	0.14	Dictyota sp16	3	3	30.03	0.42
Dictyota dhofarensis	4	4	25.97	0.02	Dictyota sp17	1	1	30.63	0.00
Dictyota dichotoma1	789	107	15.82	0.32	Dictyota sp18	1	1	28.37	0.00
Dictyota dichotoma2	23	15	18.00	0.78	Dictyota sp19	17	16	28.71	0.19
Dictyota dichotoma3	10	5	15.47	0.16	Dictyota sp20	40	24	28.39	0.31
Dictyota diemensis	37	22	16.20	0.26	Dictyota sp21	2	1	27.56	0.00
Dictyota fasciola	38	19	19.30	0.50	Dictyota sp22	3	2	24.60	4.09
Dictyota fasciola2	2	2	19.73	0.68	Dictyota sp23	3	1	20.51	0.00
Dictyota flabellata	21	9	23.12	0.84	Dictyota sp24	1	1	24.62	0.00
Dictyota friabilis1	90	65	27.95	0.21	Dictyota sp25	5	3	19.57	0.60
Dictyota grossedentata	21	15	28.72	0.18	Dictyota sp26	1	1	23.86	0.00
Dictyota hamifera	20	14	27.32	0.54	Dictyota sp29	9	6	23.93	0.25
Dictyota humifusa	69	54	27.49	0.23	Dictyota sp3	8	4	20.11	0.97
Dictyota implexa	75	55	24.03	0.61	Dictyota sp31	1	1	24.22	0.00
Dictyota intermedia	59	31	21.58	0.22	Dictyota sp32	1	1	20.22	0.00
Dictyota jamaicensis	28	25	27.60	0.29	Dictyota sp33	1	1	17.67	0.00
Dictyota koreana	17	14	19.40	0.72	Dictyota sp34	2	1	28.69	0.00
Dictyota kunthii	7	4	15.12	0.56	Dictyota sp5	2	2	19.63	0.70
Dictyota linearis	21	10	19.54	0.58	Dictyota sp6	2	2	25.20	1.16
Dictyota liturata1	16	9	23.11	0.62	Dictyota sp7	6	5	20.06	1.11
Dictyota liturata2	21	14	22.04	0.94	Dictyota sp9	1	1	27.43	0.00
Dictyota liturata3	4	2	25.29	1.61	Dictyota spiralis1	31	21	19.38	0.35
Dictyota liturata4	3	3	22.70	1.03	Dictyota spiralis2	8	6	19.74	0.74
Dictyota mangrovestolon	1	1	29.61	0.00	Dictyota spiralis3	22	11	19.17	0.81
Dictyota mediterranea	27	12	19.94	0.30	Dictyota spiralis4	1	1	16.83	0.00
Dictyota mertensii1	13	9	27.21	0.54	Dictyota stolonifera	37	24	27.95	0.39
Dictyota mertensii2	4	3	28.10	0.25					

**Table S2.1:** List species' geographic distributions relative to each other.

Clade	X	Y	Speciation
C2	canaliculata1	pfaffii	allopatric
C2	humifusa	canaliculata1, pfaffii	sympatric
C4	flabellata	sp20	parapatric
C4	sp19	sp20, flabellata	sympatric
C4	crenulata	sp19, sp20, flabellata	sympatric
C4	implexa	linearis	sympatric
C4	canariensis	linearis, implexa	sympatric
C4	spiralis2	spiralis4	sympatric
C4	spiralis1	spiralis4, spiralis2	sympatric
C4	spiralis3	spiralis4, spiralis2, spiralis1	sympatric
C4	jamaicensis	pleiacantha1	parapatric
C4	pleiacantha2	pleiacantha1, jamaicensis	parapatric
C4	sandvicensis1	sandvicensis3	allopatric
C4	sandvicensis2	sandvicensis3, sandvicensis1	allopatric
C4	caribaea	pleiacantha1, pleiacantha2, jamaicensis, sandvicensis3, sandvicensis1, sandvicensis2	sympatric
C4	cymatophila	mertensii2	allopatric
C4	concrescens	pleiacantha1, pleiacantha2, jamaicensis, sandvicensis3, sandvicensis1, sandvicensis2, caribaea, cymatophila, mertensii2	allopatric
C4	pinnatifida	rest of clade C4	sympatric
C5	kunthii	binghamiae	allopatric
C5	nigricans	binghamiae, kunthii	allopatric
C6	paniculata1	paniculata2	sympatric
C6	polyclada3	paniculata2, paniculata1	parapatric
C6	polyclada1	polyclada2	sympatric
C6	sp1	dichotoma1	sympatric
C6	sp29	sp25	allopatric
C7	sp22	sp12	allopatric
C7	sp16	adnata	sympatric
C8	bartayresiana	bartayresiana2	parapatric
C8	sp17	sp34	sympatric
C8	canaliculata2	sp26	allopatric
C8	mangrovestolon	sp33	allopatric
C8	sp18	sp33, mangrovestolon	sympatric
C9	koreana	sp21	allopatric
C9	sp3	sp7	parapatric
C9	alternifida	alternifida2	sympatric
C9	cyanoloma	alternifida, alternifida2, sp3, sp7, sp21, koreana	sympatric
C9	diemensis	dichotoma3	sympatric
C9	liturata2	liturata3	allopatric
C9	liturata1	liturata3, liturata2	allopatric
C9	liturata4	liturata1, liturata2, liturata3	allopatric
C9	stolonifera	liturata1, liturata2, liturata3, liturata4	parapatric
C9	sp23	mertensii1	allopatric
C9	intermedia	alternifida, alternifida2, sp3, sp7, sp21, koreana, liturata1, liturata2, liturata3, liturata4, mertensii1, sp23, stolonifera, diemensis, dichotoma3, cyanoloma	parapatric
C9	dichotoma2	pardalis	sympatric
C9	rigida1	rigida2	allopatric
C9	rigida3	rigida1,2	allopatric
C9	rigida4	rigida5	allopatric
C9	coriacea	coriacea2	allopatric
C9	sp32	coriacea, coriacea2	sympatric
C9	ciliolata	sp32, coriacea, coriacea2	sympatric
C9	grossedentata	rigida1, rigida2, rigida3, rigida4, rigida5, ciliolata, sp32, coriacea, coriacea2	sympatric
C9	dhofarensis	sp31	allopatric
C9	naevosa	sp31, dhofarensis	allopatric
C9	acutiloba1	acutiloba2	parapatric

C9	sp10	sp24	parapatric
C9	sp11	sp9	sympatric
C9	hamifera	sp9, sp10, sp11, sp24	sympatric
C9	anastomosans	ceylanica4	parapatric
C9	friabilis1	ceylanica4, hamifera, anastomosans, sp9, sp10, sp11, sp24	sympatric
C9	fasciola	mediterranea	sympatric
C9	fasciola2	mediterranea, fasciola	sympatric
C9	sp5	mediterranea, fasciola, fasciola2	sympatric
C9	sp6	mediterranea, fasciola, fasciola2, sp5	parapatric
C9	ceylanica3	ceylanica6	allopatric
C9	ceylanica1	ceylanica3, ceylanica6	sympatric
C9	ceylanica2	ceylanica1, ceylanica3, ceylanica6	allopatric

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