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#### Introduction

- 33 Xyelidae have always attracted the attention of taxonomists and systematists. They represent the
- sister group of the rest of the megadiverse insect order Hymenoptera comprising, among others,
- bees, wasps and ants (Ronquist et al., 2012). The rich fossil records of Xyelidae include the
- as earliest fossil forms of Hymenoptera dating from the Middle-Upper Triassic (Kopylov, 2014).
- 37 Proper knowledge of its biology (e.g., larval and imaginal ecology, phylogeography, behavior) is
- 38 crucial to reconstruct the ground plan of Hymenoptera and to understand the evolution of the
- 39 non-xyelid hymenopteran lineages. However, such data are scarce for xyelids due to the rarity of
- 40 many species, ephemerality of the imagines, and considerable problems in identifying species
- 41 morphologically as well as genetically (e.g., Blank et al. 2013, 2017; Blank & Kramp 2017;
- 42 Burdick 1961; Byun et al. 2005).
- 43 So far, only a limited number of microsatellite studies have been conducted on sawflies (Hartel,
- 44 Frederick & Shanower, 2003; Cook et al., 2011; Caron et al., 2013; Bittner et al., 2017). Here,
- 45 we report on the first developed and established set of 16 polymorphic nuclear microsatellite
- 46 markers for *Xyela concava* Burdick, 1961, which will help to contribute to the understanding of
- 47 the phylogeography and population dynamics of a member of the ancestral Xyelidae.
- 48 *Xyela concava* is widely distributed in southwestern USA, where it is closely associated with the
- 49 pinyon-juniper woodland vegetation type of higher elevation semideserts, in particular with pine
- 50 species of the subgenus Strobus subsection Cembroides (Farjon 2010). Females oviposit into
- developing male cones of *Pinus cembroides*, *P. edulis* and *P. monophylla*, where the larvae feed
- on the sporophylls. Imagines of the next generation emerge during the following spring and often
- visit flowering plants with easily accessible anthers, such as mountain mahogany (*Cercocarpus*



- spp.) and bitterbrush or cliff-rose (*Purshia* spp.), from which they gather pollen for nutrition with
- 55 their adapted mouthparts (Burdick 1961, Blank & Kramp, unpublished data).
- We used a next generation sequencing approach for the development of the microsatellite
- 57 markers and applied them to describe genetic structures and variation among and within three
- 58 geographically distinct populations of *X. concava*. Furthermore, we compared the resolution of
- 59 genetic variation of these markers with compiled data of one nuclear and one mitochondrial gene
- 60 coding region and discuss their possible combined suitability for identifying genealogical
- 61 lineages and answering phylogeographical questions. Finally, cross-amplification patterns for
- 62 two species of *Xyela* and one of *Pleroneura* are illustrated.

#### Material and methods

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#### Sampling

- 67 *Xyela* larvae were extracted from staminate cones of pines as described by Blank et al. (2013)
- and stored in 100 % ethanol at -20 °C. We included in the analysis larvae originating from three
- 69 collection sites which are located 1,000–1,300 km from each other (see Table S1). The
- 50 specimens are preserved in the Senckenberg Deutsches Entomologisches Institut, Müncheberg,
- 71 Germany. Since it is impossible to identify *Xyela* larvae at species level morphologically, they
- were *COI* barcoded and identified by comparison with sequences from imagines already
- 73 identified as *X. concava* morphologically (identification following Burdick 1961, reference
- sequences of imagines were published by Blank et al. 2017 and are deposited in the GenBank
- 75 (NCBI) database, accession numbers KY198313 and KY198314). Finally, 98 larvae of X.
- 76 concava were selected for the analysis (for detailed data see Table S1).

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#### **DNA** extraction

- 79 Whole larvae were used for DNA extraction. The integument was slightly cut with a scalpel, so
- 80 that the exterior stayed intact for subsequent morphological inspection. DNA was extracted and
- 81 purified with E.Z.N.A. Tissue DNA Kit (Omega Bio-Tek) according to the manufacturer's
- 82 protocol, but with an extended 2 hour incubation time at 55 °C (Thermomixer, without shaking)
- for cell lysis. The extracted DNA was stored at -20 °C until later use.

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### Microsatellite marker development and screening

- Total genomic DNA of a single female of X. concava (specimen ID: DEI-GISHym 30887, see
- Table S1) was extracted following the protocol described above. 10 ng/ul DNA in a total volume
- 88 of 20 µl was sent to AllGenetics & Biology (Coruña, Spain) for the development of
- 89 microsatellite markers. A library was prepared for the DNA sample using the Nextera XTDNA
- 90 kit (Illumina), following the manufacturer's instructions. The library was enriched with the
- 91 following microsatellite motifs: AC, AG, ACG, and ATCT. Enriched DNA was sequenced in the
- 92 Illumina MiSeq platform (PE300). Microsatellite-containing reads were identified and selected.
- 93 For 500 reads specific oligonucleotide primer pairs for the flanking regions of the microsatellite-
- 94 sequences were designed and synthesized. Fifty primer pairs were picked and four *X. concava*



- larvae (DEI-GISHvm 32824–32827) were used for tests of polymorphism. Furthermore, 12 95 specimens of X. deserti Burdick, 1961, 12 specimens of an undescribed Xyela species, possibly a 96 member of the X. alpigena group (Blank & Kramp 2017), and six specimens of Pleroneura 97 koebelei Rohwer, 1910 (see appendix) were tested for cross-species amplification to check the 98 99 marker system for potential use on two closely and one more distantly related xyelid species. The PCR analysis included a temperature gradient in the primer annealing step to find the best 100 conditions for each primer pair. PCR was carried out in a total volume of 5 µl containing 0.5 µl 101 DNA, 0.1 µl of primers (10 pmol each) and 2.5 µl of 2x Multiplex PCR Plus Master mix 102 (QIAGEN). The PCR protocol consisted of an initial DNA polymerase (HotStar Tag) activation 103 step at 95 °C for 5 min, followed by 35 cycles of 30 s of 95 °C (DNA denaturation step), 90 s at 104 50 °C, 52 °C, 54 °C and 56 °C (primer annealing step, temperature ramp), and 30 s at 72 °C 105 (elongation step); the last cycle was followed by a final 10 min extension step at 68 °C. 5 ul of 106 the PCR product was visualized on a 2 % agarose gel. Eighteen primer pairs, showing 107 108 discernable polymorphic, strong and specific signals, were picked for further analysis. 5'-end fluorescently labelled reverse primers (6-Fam (Biomers) and NED, VIC, PET (Thermo Fisher 109 Scientific)) for the selected primer pairs were synthesized for multiplexing and capillary 110 electrophoresis. PCR was carried out in four multiplex reactions for four X. concava DNA 111 samples in a total volume of 10 µl containing 2.5 µl DNA, 1.0 µl of fluorescently labelled primer 112 pair mix (0.5 pmol each, containing up to five primer pairs, depending on compatible annealing 113 temperature, dye and expected fragment size range) and 5.0 µl of 2x Multiplex PCR Plus Master 114 mix (QIAGEN). PCR reaction conditions were as described above with the respective optimal 115 annealing temperature for each primer pair mix. Reactions were diluted 1:2 and sent to 116
- 117 Macrogen Europe (Amsterdam, the Netherlands) for fragment analysis.
- Allele sizes were scored using GeneMapper 5.0 (Applied Biosystems). No marker showed strong
- stutter peaks or intensive background signal. Two primer pairs appeared to be monomorphic and
- 120 were excluded from further analyses. Sixteen primer pairs showed apparent polymorphism for
- the four tested samples and were finally selected (Table 1).

#### COI and NaK Polymerase chain reaction analysis

- Primers used for amplification and sequencing are listed in Table 2. The mitochondrial region
- used is a 1,078 bp long fragment of cytochrome oxidase subunit I gene (COI). The first 658 bp of
- this fragment (from the 5' end) correspond to the standard barcode region of the animal kingdom
- 127 (Hebert et al. 2003). Additionally, a 1,654 bp long fragment of the nuclear gene region of
- sodium/potassium-transporting ATPase subunit alpha (*NaK*) was amplified.
- PCR reactions were carried out in a total volume of 20–25 µl containing 1.5–3.0 µl DNA, 1.2–
- 2.5 μl of primers (5 pmol each) and 10.0–12.5 μl of 2x Multiplex PCR Plus Master mix
- 131 (QIAGEN). The PCR protocol consisted of an initial DNA polymerase (HotStar Tag) activation
- step at 95 °C for 5 min, followed by 38–40 cycles of 30 s at 95 °C, 90 s at 49–59 °C depending
- on the primer set used, and 50–120 s (depending on the amplicon size) at 72 °C; the last cycle
- was followed by a final 30 min extension step at 68 °C. 3 µl of the PCR product was visualized
- on a 1.4 % agarose gel and then purified with FastAP and Exonuclease I (Thermo Fisher



- Scientific). 1.7–2.2 U of both enzymes were added to 17–22 µl of PCR solution and incubated
- 137 for 15 min at 37 °C, followed by 15 min at 85 °C. Purified PCR products were sent to Macrogen
- Europe (Amsterdam, the Netherlands) for sequencing. To obtain unequivocal sequences, both
- sense and antisense strands were sequenced. Sequences were aligned manually with Geneious
- 140 11.0.5 (www.geneious.com). Ambiguous positions (i.e., double peaks in chromatograms of both
- strands) due to heterozygosity or heteroplasmy were coded using IUPAC symbols. Sequences
- have been deposited in the GenBank (NCBI) database (accession numbers MK265017–
- 143 MK265114 and MK264919–MK265016, for detailed data see Table S1).

#### Genetic data analysis

- Estimations of genetic variation were obtained by calculating average number of alleles (N<sub>A</sub>),
- observed  $(H_{\rm O})$  and expected heterozygosity  $(H_{\rm E})$  as well as deviations from Hardy-Weinberg
- equilibrium (HWE) for each locus for all *X. concava* populations using ARLEQUIN 3.5.2.2
- 149 (Excoffier & Lischer, 2010) and 1,000 permutations. The same program was used to assess the
- suitability of resolving population differentiation by estimating population pairwise measures of
- 151  $F_{ST}$  (1,000 permutations). The program GENEPOP 4.7.0 (Rousset, 2008) was used to estimate
- the inbreeding coefficient  $F_{\rm IS}$  (1,000 permutations). GENEPOP was also used in combination
- with the ENA correction implemented in the program FreeNA (Chapuis & Estoup, 2007) to test
- for the presence and frequency of null alleles in the populations and to correct for the potential
- overestimation of  $F_{\rm ST}$  values induced by the occurrence of null alleles (1,000 permutations).
- To assess the suitability of the microsatellite markers for accessing genetic population structures,
- 157 three independent Bayesian assignment tests were carried out, one non spatial using
- 158 STRUCTURE 2.3.4 (Pritchard, Stephens & Donnelly, 2000) and two spatial model based using
- BAPS 6.0 (Corander, Waldmann & Sillanpää, 2003; Corander, Sirén & Arjas, 2008) and
- 160 GENELAND 4.0.8 (Guillot, Mortier & Estoup, 2005). GENELAND assignment results for the
- microsatellite markers were also compared with results in GENELAND for the mitochondrial
- and nuclear gene coding markers. In BAPS, a maximum number of 10 K was given as a prior. In
- STRUCTURE, ten replicates for each K from 1 to 10 were carried out with 50,000 burn-in steps
- 164 followed by 100,000 MCMC. The online program STRUCTURE HARVESTER (Earl &
- vonHoldt, 2012) was used to infer the most likely value of K. GENELAND was carried out with
- an uncertainty on coordinates of 25 km, 100,000 iterations, a thinning to every 100 replicate and
- 167 10 independent runs. In STRUCTURE and GENELAND, a no admixture model and
- independency of allele frequency (uncorrelated model) was assumed, since correlated frequency
- models, though more powerful in detecting subtle differentiations, are more sensitive to
- departure from model assumptions (Guillot et al., 2012).

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#### Results

- 173 The 16 microsatellite markers amplified 3–14 different alleles per population and locus (Table
- 174 3). Observed heterozygosities ranged from 0.00 to 0.78 and were significantly lower to those
- expected under Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium except for one locus, indicating a deficiency of



- heterozygotes in the analyzed *Xyela concava* populations and/or the presence of null alleles. This
- deficit is also confirmed by positive  $F_{\rm IS}$  values obtained for all but three loci in one population.
- 178 Estimated frequencies of null alleles were variable depending on the respective microsatellite
- locus and *X. concava* population and varied between 0 and 39 % (Table 4).
- The  $F_{ST}$  values uncorrected and corrected for the presence of null alleles showed higher values
- between the populations of Monitor Pass and Uinta Mountains as well as the populations of
- Monitor Pass and Big Burro Mountains than the values between the populations of Uinta
- Mountains and Big Burro Mountains (Table 5). In general, all  $F_{\rm ST}$  values were comparatively
- low (0.028–0.113) but either had a considerable narrow confidence interval or were significant
- or approaching the level of significance (P = 0.055). The  $F_{ST}$  values for NaK and COI were, in
- comparison, higher (0.215–0.740). While the values for *NaK* showed the same pattern as the
- microsatellite markers in respect of genetic relationship of the populations, the  $F_{ST}$  values for
- 188 *COI* indicated relatively high differences between all populations (Table 6). All assignment tests
- came up with the same pattern as the  $F_{ST}$  values indicated (Figs. 1 and 2). Based on data of the
- 190 microsatellite and *NaK* markers, Monitor Pass represented one cluster and the remaining two
- 191 populations were assigned to a second cluster (K = 2). Both clusters showed high posterior
- probabilities. The analysis of the *COI* data revealed that each population represented one distinct
- 193 cluster (K = 3) (Fig. 2B, C, D).
- All microsatellite markers were successfully tested for cross-species amplification. For the three
- additional species of *Xyela* and *Pleroneura*, five markers showed apparent monomorphic and
- four polymorphic bands for X. deserti. Eight markers showed polymorphic products for the new
- 197 Xyela species of the alpigena group, while no or unspecific fragments were amplified for
- 198 Pleroneura koebelei (Table 7).

#### **Discussion**

- 201 All analyses demonstrated that the degree of variability of the new microsatellite marker set
- appears substantial by showing polymorphic alleles within and across populations. The low
- significant deviations from Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium as well as positive  $F_{\rm IS}$  values for almost
- all loci in all populations could, however, have several causes (e.g., sampling bias, wahlund
- effects). Nevertheless, the results may also reflect the true population structure. In this case,
- factors such as isolation, parthenogenesis, and/or founder effects may have been the causes of
- 207 inbreeding or bottle-necking.
- The estimation of the frequency of null alleles, though highly variable depending on the locus-
- 209 population combination, did not introduce any bias to our dataset and thus did not cause an
- 210 overestimation of pairwise  $F_{ST}$  values.
- 211 Since only larvae of unknown sex were analyzed in this study, the impact of haplodiploidy as the
- ancestral reproductive mode for all Hymenoptera (Aron et al., 2005) on the results remains to a
- 213 certain degree unknown. However, negative Fst values and Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium for
- some loci indicate no systematic deficiency in heterozygosity due to haplodiploidy.



- 215 The results in STRUCTURE were not as confirmative as in the spatial-model based assignment
- 216 tests. Some individuals from the Big Burro Mountains and Uinta Mountains were assigned to a
- 217 different cluster than the remaining individuals from those populations. Since in STRUCTURE
- 218 no spatial information and therefore less assumptions are incorporated, geographical barriers and
- 219 distance as most likely causes for differentiated populations are underestimated (Coulon et al.,
- 220 2006). This demonstrates the necessity of the independent performance of two or more
- assignment methods to gain more confidence in the results (Pearse et al., 2006).
- 222 Compared to the results of the microsatellites and NaK,  $F_{ST}$  values and Bayesian statistics for the
- 223 COI region showed a non-congruent pattern for the genetic structure. This could be expected
- because of higher mutation rates and smaller effective population size of mitochondrial genomes
- due to uniparental inheritance (Struck et al., 2018). Nevertheless, for future phylogeographical
- studies of *Xyela concava*, especially because of these different patterns, an analyzing system
- including markers for independent loci should be applied to gain a better understanding of the
- 228 underlying evolutionary processes by additionally revealing events of sex-biased dispersal
- 229 (Balloux et al., 2002).
- 230 In contrast, Bayesian posterior probabilities and  $F_{ST}$  values for the microsatellite loci and the
- nuclear NaK region showed a congruent pattern. The lower pairwise  $F_{ST}$  values in the
- 232 microsatellite analysis can be interpreted as a higher resolution capacity and indicate subtle
- 233 structures among populations which most likely emerged more recently (on a geological time
- 234 scale).

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#### **Conclusions**

- The implemented new set of microsatellite markers will be supportive for future analyses of
- 238 additional and less distantly located populations to unravel the population structure of *Xyela*
- 239 concava. Furthermore, microsatellite markers and nuclear gene coding markers can be used to
- 240 elucidate both old and recent divisions in the gene pool to reveal more details of the
- phylogeography of this species.
- Even from this small data set, some tentative phylogeographic trends can be stated for X.
- 243 concava. The results from this study cover only three populations but indicate a comparatively
- recent separation of two genetic lineages, which might have been caused by retreat events to
- 245 different refugial areas during the last glacial maximum (LGM). This would agree with proposed
- 246 geographically separate Pleistocene retreat areas of the host trees (Duran et al. 2012, Grayson
- 247 2011). However, more populations covering the complete distribution area of X. concava need to
- be analyzed to test this hypothesis.



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#### Table 1(on next page)

Sixteen polymorphic microsatellite loci and the corresponding flanking primer pairs identified in the pine catkin sawfly *Xyela concava* 



Locus	Size range (bp)	Motif	Ta in °C	label	Primer sequence (5'—3')
AG_30887_445	75–93	$AAG_{(11)}$	50	VIC	F: GTCTCGACTCCCTCCTACGA R: ACGGAAGTGCATCGGATCTTC
AG_30887_046	195–225	AGC <sub>(30)</sub>	50	PET	F: CCTTTCGTCCTGGTTGACCA R: GATACGCCAGCCTATCCGTC
AG_30887_083	178–190	$AAG_{(10)}$	50	6-Fam	F: TTCCAGTTTCTTGCAACGCG R: ATTCGCAAGCCTCTTCTGCA
AG_30887_188	179–188	$AAT_{(9)}$	50	NED	F: GCGGCGGTATAATGAGTCGT R: GGAAAGTGACTGCTACCGGT
AG_30887_479	93–102	ACT <sub>(8)</sub>	50	PET	F: GCTGTTCACATGGCAGGTAG R: CCACCATCCCTACTACGGCT
AG_30887_193	110–134	AGC <sub>(17)</sub>	50	VIC	F: AGAGTGCCAACGTGGGAAAT R: TTACTTTGCCCATGCCATGC
AG_30887_234	376–424	AATGCG <sub>(8)</sub>	50	PET	F: AGTCTGATCCTTCCTGCGGA R: ATACGTGCCAGTTCGATCGT
AG_30887_282	239–263	$AGC_{(10)}$	50	6-Fam	F: CTGTGCCTACGTCCCTTAGG R: CCCATCGTTTGGTCGGTAGA
AG_30887_286	103–121	$AGC_{(8)}$	50	NED	F: GCGTCCGTCTGAAATCTTGG R: CATTCGCATTCGACGCACTC
AG_30887_179	111–126	$AGC_{(9)}$	50	6-Fam	F: CCCGTTCGTAAATCGGTCCT R: GACGTGGAATCGGTGGACTC
AG_30887_460	90–116	AT <sub>(5)</sub>	50	PET	F: ACGTACTTATTGGGCGCGAA R: TTTACATGCTGTACACCGGGA
AG_30887_347	237–249	$AAG_{(8)}$	50	PET	F: CCCGGACCTCGTGCTATTC R: GGCGACAATCCCACGTGATA
AG_30887_393	136–175	$AAG_{(8)}$	50	6-Fam	F: CCATCACTGTGCCGCGATAT R: GCACCTCAGGGATCCTCAAT
AG_30887_414	122–179	$AAG_{(8)}$	50	NED	F: TGATTTGTGCAACCGAGGGA R: CCCTTTATTCTCAGCAACCGC
AG_30887_012	130–148	$AGG_{(9)}$	50	PET	F: TTCCGGACGACTTTGACCTG R: CCTCGATTCCGATTCCCGTT
AG_30887_223	120–186	$AAG_{(9)}$	50	6-Fam	F: TCAAAGCGGAGAAAGAGCGT R: TTAACCGCCATCGACCGTTC



#### Table 2(on next page)

Nuclear NaK and mitochondrial COI primers used for amplification (PCR) and sequencing (seq)

Gene Region	Primer name	Primer sequence (5'-3')	Ta in °C	PCR/ Sequencing	Reference
COI	symF1	TTTCAACWAATCATAAARAYATTGG	49	PCR, seq	Prous et al. 2016
COI	symR1	TAAACTTCWGGRTGICCAAARAATC	49	PCR/ seq	Prous et al. 2016
COI	symC1-J1751	GGAGCNCCTGATATAGCWTTYCC	49	seq	Prous et al. 2016
NaK	NaK263F	CTYAGCCAYGCRAARGCRAARGA	59	PCR/ seq	Prous et al. 2017
NaK	NaK907Ri	TGRATRAARTGRTGRATYTCYTTIGC	59	seq	Prous et al. 2017
NaK	NaK1250Fi	ATGTGGTTYGAYAAYCARATYATIGA	59	seq	Prous et al. 2017
NaK	NaK1918R	GATTTGGCAATNGCTTTGGCAGTDAT	59	PCR/ seq	Prous et al. 2017



#### Table 3(on next page)

Comparative genetic diversity values for the three Xyela concava populations

Analyzed for each of the 16 microsatellite loci and on average over all loci including number of alleles (NA), observed ( $H_{\rm O}$ ) and expected ( $H_{\rm E}$ ) heterozygosity and estimates of  $F_{\rm IS}$ 



Locus	Bi	g Burr	o Moui	ntains		Mon	itor Pas	SS		Uinta N	/Iounta	ins
Locus	NA	$F_{\rm IS}$	$H_{\rm O}$	$H_{\mathrm{E}}$	NA	$F_{ m IS}$	$H_{\rm O}$	$H_{ m E}$	NA	$F_{ m IS}$	$H_{\rm O}$	$H_{\mathrm{E}}$
AG_30887_445	6	0.91	0.07	0.78*	6	0.50	0.40	0.79*	7	0.43	0.40	0.69*
AG_30887_046	10	0.33	0.61	0.85*	9	0.44	0.47	0.82*	7	0.04	0.78	0.80*
AG_30887_083	5	0.39	0.43	0.69*	3	0.63	0.20	0.53*	4	-0.18	0.63	0.53*
AG_30887_188	4	0.84	0.11	0.66*	3	0.31	0.37	0.53*	3	0.63	0.25	0.66*
AG_30887_479	3	0.22	0.43	0.54*	4	0.79	0.10	0.47*	4	-0.06	0.53	0.49*
AG_30887_193	6	0.31	0.50	0.72*	5	0.47	0.40	0.74*	7	0.04	0.78	0.80*
AG_30887_234	6	0.34	0.50	0.75*	6	0.42	0.40	0.68*	6	0.21	0.63	0.78*
AG_30887_282	8	0.40	0.46	0.77*	6	0.61	0.30	0.75*	6	-0.03	0.73	0.70*
AG_30887_286	6	0.76	0.18	0.74*	5	0.24	0.47	0.61	7	0.53	0.35	0.74*
AG_30887_179	3	1.00	0.00	0.62*	5	0.55	0.20	0.43*	5	0.76	0.15	0.61*
AG_30887_460	6	0.75	0.14	0.55*	4	0.30	0.13	0.18*	6	0.74	0.15	0.56*
AG_30887_347	4	0.34	0.43	0.64*	3	0.51	0.33	0.67*	4	0.06	0.63	0.66*
AG_30887_393	7	0.82	0.11	0.59*	6	0.44	0.40	0.71*	5	0.67	0.20	0.59*
AG_30887_414	12	0.35	0.54	0.82*	10	0.54	0.40	0.86*	9	0.13	0.68	0.77*
AG_30887_012	5	0.90	0.07	0.73*	3	0.51	0.27	0.54*	3	0.67	0.23	0.67*
AG_30887_223	9	0.76	0.14	0.80*	14	0.36	0.47	0.89*	13	0.72	0.23	0.82*
Mean S.D.	6	0.59 0.26	0.29	0.71 0.09	6	0.48 0.13		0.64 0.18	6	0.33 0.33	0.46 0.24	0.68
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<sup>2 \*</sup> significant departure from H-W equilibrium (P < 0.05)

<sup>3</sup> S.D. = standard deviation



#### Table 4(on next page)

Estimated null allele frequencies for each of the 16 polymorphic microsatellite loci and each population including the average null allele frequency

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Estimated null allele frequency

Locus	Big Burro Mts	Monitor Pass	Uinta Mts
AG_30887_445	0.395	0.221	0.167
AG_30887_046	0.165	0.191	0.028
AG_30887_083	0.175	0.229	0.041
AG_30887_188	0.334	0.116	0.247
AG_30887_479	0.095	0.267	0.040
AG_30887_193	0.130	0.194	0.037
AG_30887_234	0.161	0.184	0.087
AG_30887_282	0.194	0.260	0.036
AG_30887_286	0.314	0.073	0.208
AG_30887_179	0.381	0.190	0.282
AG_30887_460	0.259	0.000	0.257
AG_30887_347	0.148	0.200	0.048
AG_30887_393	0.309	0.163	0.247
AG_30887_414	0.196	0.245	0.053
AG_30887_012	0.378	0.183	0.264
AG_30887_223	0.319	0.162	0.314
Mean	0.247	0.180	0.147



#### Table 5(on next page)

Uncorrected and for the presence of null alleles corrected pairwise  $F_{\rm ST}$  estimates between populations of  $Xyela\ concava$  for the 16 microsatellite loci including corresponding P values and confidence intervals

Bold typeface denotes pairwise  $F_{ST}$  estimates that are significantly different from zero (P < 0.005). Values in square brackets indicate 95 % confidence intervals for pairwise corrected  $F_{ST}$  estimates



$F_{\rm ST}$ uncorrected	Big Burro Mts	Monitor Pass	Uinta Mts
Big Burro Mts	*		
Monitor Pass	0.09182	*	
Uinta Mts	0.02254	0.07705	*
$F_{\rm ST}$ ENA corrected	Big Burro Mts	Monitor Pass	Uinta Mts
Big Burro Mts	*		
Monitor Pass	0.083 [0.054, 0.115]	*	
Uinta Mts	0.015 [0.004, 0.028]	0.065 [0.041, 0.094]	*



#### Table 6(on next page)

Pairwise  $F_{\rm ST}$  estimates between populations of  $Xyela\ concava$  for NaK and COI including corresponding P values

Bold typeface denotes pairwise  $F_{\rm ST}$  estimates that are significantly different from zero (P < 0.005)

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NaK	BB Mts	Mon Pass	Uinta Mts
Big Burro	*		
Mts			
<b>Monitor Pass</b>	0.740	*	
Uinta Mts	0.215	0.680	*
COI	BB Mts	Mon Pass	Uinta Mts
Big Burro	*		
Mts			
<b>Monitor Pass</b>	0.699	*	
Uinta Mts	0.508	0.678	*



### Table 7(on next page)

Cross-species amplification

(-) no product, (+) monomorphic product, (++) polymorphic product



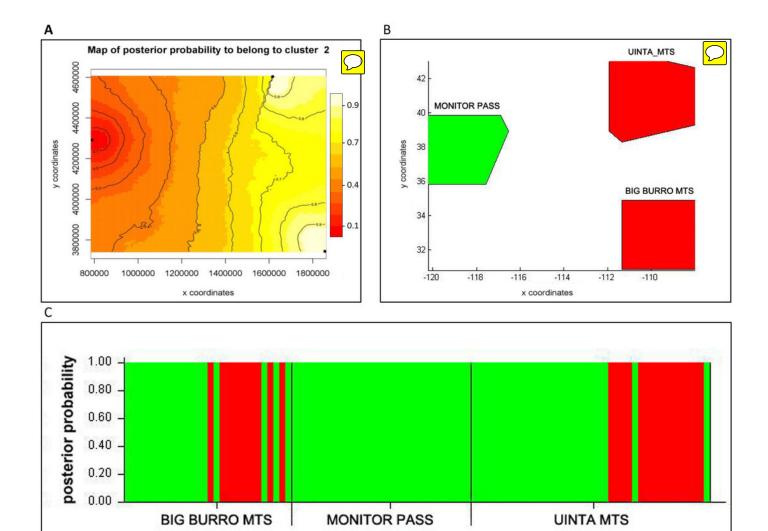
Locus	Xyela deserti	<i>Xyela</i> spec. nov.	Pleroneura koebelei
AG_30887_445	-	-	-
AG_30887_046	+	++	-
AG_30887_083	-	-	-
AG_30887_188	-	-	-
AG_30887_479	+	++	-
AG_30887_193	-	++	-
AG_30887_234	+	++	-
AG_30887_282	++	++	-
AG_30887_286	++	++	-
AG_30887_179	-	-	-
AG_30887_460	-	-	-
AG_30887_347	++	++	-
AG_30887_393	+	-	-
AG_30887_414	++	-	-
AG_30887_012	-	-	-
AG_30887_223	+	++	-



## Figure 1

Bayesian assignment of  $Xyela\ concava$  populations to each of the identified clusters (K = 2) for the microsatellite markers

(A) GENELAND (Posterior probabilities are indicated in the scale bar) , (B) BAPS and (C) STRUCTURE





## Figure 2

Bayesian spatial assignment (GENELAND) of *Xyela concava* populations to each of the identified clusters for (A) NaK (K = 2) and (B), (C), (D) COI (K = 3)

The different colors represent the estimated posterior probabilities of the membership to each cluster. Posterior probabilities are indicated in the scale bar

