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24 **Abstract**

25 Understanding the factors driving phenotypic and genomic differentiation of insular populations is of
26 major interest to gain insight into the speciation process. Comparing patterns across different insular
27 taxa subjected to similar selective pressures upon colonizing oceanic islands provides the opportunity to
28 study parallel evolution and identify shared patterns in their genomic landscapes of differentiation. We
29 selected four species of passerine birds (common chaffinch *Fringilla coelebs/canariensis*, red-billed
30 chough *Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax*, house finch *Haemorhous mexicanus* and dark-eyed/island junco *Junco*
31 *hyemalis/insularis*) that have both mainland and insular populations. For each species, we sequenced
32 whole genomes from mainland and insular individuals to infer their demographic history, characterize
33 their genomic differentiation, and identify the factors shaping them. We estimated the relative (F_{ST}) and
34 absolute (d_{xy}) differentiation, nucleotide diversity (π), Tajima's D, gene density and recombination rate.
35 We also searched for selective sweeps and chromosomal inversions along the genome. Changes in body
36 size between island and mainland were consistent with the island rule. All species shared a marked
37 reduction in effective population size (N_e) upon island colonization. We found highly differentiated
38 genomic regions in all four species, suggesting the role of selection in island-mainland differentiation,
39 yet the lack of congruence in the location of these regions indicates that each species adapted to insular
40 environments differently. Our results suggest that the genomic mechanisms involved, which include
41 selective sweeps, chromosomal inversions, and historical factors like recurrent selection, differ in each
42 species despite the highly conserved structure of avian genomes and the similar selective factors
43 involved.

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47 **Introduction**

48 The colonization of oceanic islands by mainland individuals has been a major engine of biological
49 diversification, resulting in the evolution of thousands of new species across the world (1–5). These
50 colonization events have also provided valuable research models to study processes like evolutionary
51 divergence and local adaptation (6–8). Upon colonization of oceanic islands, individuals across
52 taxonomic groups have often been subjected to similar demographic and selective factors, like
53 population bottlenecks, strong selection for local adaptation, and reduced dispersal (9,10). Shared
54 patterns of phenotypic evolution of insular populations across taxonomic groups has led to general
55 biogeographic rules, like Foster’s rule, also known as the “island rule”, which postulates that on islands
56 small animals tend to become larger, and large animals tend to become smaller (11–13). These patterns
57 suggest the possibility of parallel evolution across species, and provide the opportunity to test whether
58 the selective mechanisms acting during island colonization are shared across species, and whether
59 selection acts on the same or different genomic loci.

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61 The genomic underpinnings of divergence in oceanic islands are poorly understood, yet an increasing
62 number of studies are addressing this topic thanks to the recent advances in high-throughput DNA
63 sequencing (reviewed in (14)). Both selection and drift can drive phenotypic changes in islands, yet
64 patterns of parallel phenotypic change are more likely to be driven by selection than by random drift
65 (15,16). Parallel phenotypic changes on islands could be promoted by similar selective pressures due to
66 their particular features relative to the mainland, such as simplified ecosystems, reduced trophic
67 resources, the availability of new ecological niches, a reduction in predation which often leads to an
68 increase in intraspecific competition, and a reduction in interspecific competition (7,17). These insular
69 selective pressures usually result in predictable changes in body size (13), usually attributed to the
70 absence of predators and the shifts in competition, and also result in diet shifts in order to adapt to the
71 new trophic resources, leading to behavioral (18,19), morphological (20,21) and physiological
72 adaptations (22,23). The molecular basis of convergent phenotypic traits across species could be entirely
73 species-specific, or instead show evolutionary convergence among species. The degree of molecular
74 parallelism can range from sharing the same mutation on the same gene, to changes at different
75 nucleotides within the same gene, to changes in different genes within the same pathway (14,24). The
76 probability of molecular parallelism is determined by several factors, increasing when selective
77 pressures are similar and genomic constraints such as demography and phylogenetic history are shared
78 (16). The genetic basis of the phenotypic traits under selection is also important: single-locus traits have

79 been often involved in repeated convergent evolution (e.g., (25,26), yet for polygenic traits, which can
80 be modified through multiple pathways, molecular parallelism becomes less likely (16,27,28) resulting
81 instead in heterogeneous, species-specific patterns of differentiation.

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83 Understanding the factors that generate heterogeneous patterns of differentiation across the genome is
84 one of the main goals of population genomics (29–33). The main factors shaping differentiation patterns
85 are drift and selection, but demographic history and genomic features such as recombination rate and
86 gene content also affect the distribution of the differentiated regions (31). Recent advances in
87 sequencing technologies have allowed studying the genomic landscapes of variation, which show the
88 distributional pattern of genomic variation across the entire genome (34–37). When comparing
89 differentiated populations, regions that are highly divergent relative to the genomic background are
90 known as “islands of differentiation” (34,38) and are usually detected as regions of high relative
91 divergence (F_{ST} , (39). Early genome scans interpreted F_{ST} peaks as signatures of strong selection
92 surrounded by valleys homogenized by gene flow (40), where those F_{ST} peaks were caused by marked
93 differences in allele frequencies at locally adapted sites and the neutral loci linked to them (41,42).
94 However, when considering patterns of absolute divergence (d_{xy}) and within-population diversity (π)
95 besides F_{ST} , new interpretations of how these islands of differentiation originate have been put forward.
96 F_{ST} peaks could also appear when population diversity is low in either of the populations compared,
97 while d_{xy} is less affected by this pattern. Several processes such as positive and/or background selection
98 can reduce within population nucleotide diversity and generate “islands” of relative divergence, while
99 absolute divergence remains unchanged (29,43,44). Four models have been proposed to explain the
100 underlying cause of islands of differentiation (Irwin et al., 2016; Irwin et al., 2018) and in order to
101 differentiate these models it is crucial to understand the relationship between F_{ST} , d_{xy} and π (29,44–46).
102 Two of those models account for speciation in the presence of gene flow (“divergence-with-gene-flow”
103 and “sweep-before-differentiation”) and the other two involve allopatric speciation (“Selection in
104 allopatry” and “Recurrent selection”) (45). Moreover, other factors such as demographic history,
105 mutation rate heterogeneity, and recombination rate across the genome, as well as gene density, could
106 modify the genomic landscape (31). Therefore, to correctly interpret the genomic landscapes of
107 differentiation it is important to understand the demographic and evolutionary history of the target taxa
108 (31). Variations in effective population size (N_e) can produce different genomic signatures. For instance,
109 marked reductions in N_e such as those caused by population bottlenecks at founder events, can modify
110 levels of background selection and therefore the baseline for the detection of outlier loci (47,48).

111
112 Covariation of genomic patterns of differentiation among different avian species has been shown across
113 broad evolutionary timescales (49–52) and the coincident location of differentiation peaks has been of
114 special interest to understand the process of convergent molecular evolution where similar loci evolve
115 independently in several species (53). Bird genomes show high synteny (54), a relatively stable number
116 of chromosomes (55), similar recombination landscapes (56,57), and across species microchromosomes
117 show higher density in gene content than macrochromosomes (56,58). The similarity in genomic
118 landscapes of differentiation across closely related and diverged avian species could be due to the non-
119 random distribution of gene content across the genome and the coincidence of low recombination areas
120 along with linked selection (44,49), since it has been shown that the recombination landscape in birds
121 can be maintained across species over long evolutionary time periods (56).

122
123 Here we use a comparative approach to examine patterns of genome-wide differentiation in avian
124 species that have colonized oceanic islands, with the goal of assessing the relative roles of demographic
125 history, time of divergence, and directional selection in driving divergence and potentially evolutionary
126 convergence upon island colonization. We selected four passerine species that have mainland
127 populations and have also colonized oceanic islands; two species from mainland Europe that have
128 colonized the island of La Palma in the Canary Islands, Atlantic Ocean, the common chaffinch (*Fringilla*
129 *coelebs/canariensis*) and the red-billed chough (*Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax*), and two species from North
130 America that have colonized Guadalupe Island on the Pacific Ocean, the house finch (*Haemorhous*
131 *mexicanus*) and the dark-eyed junco (*Junco hyemalis/insularis*). The red-billed chough and the house
132 finch have diverged from mainland populations within the last 100,000 years, whereas the common
133 chaffinch and the junco have been separated from their mainland relatives for over 500,000 years (59–
134 61). Given that all four species have colonized oceanic islands and have been subjected to potentially
135 similar selective pressures, we first analyzed if the differences phenotype between insular and mainland
136 counterparts affected the same traits across species. Changes in morphological traits are expected upon
137 colonization of the new insular environment (4,10) and those changes are likely to generate detectable
138 genomic signatures. Therefore, we also asked if the genomic landscapes of differentiation are similar
139 among species when taking divergence time into account.

140
141 We performed whole-genome resequencing of 9-12 individuals per treatment per species in order to
142 determine whether the four species showed similar patterns of differentiation in their genomic

143 landscapes, and whether these patterns have been shaped by similar processes. We studied the
144 demographic history and performed genomic scans of F_{ST} , d_{xy} , π , Tajima's D, recombination rate, gene
145 content and selective sweeps. We also scanned the genomes looking for putative chromosomal
146 inversions, which have been shown to underlie major phenotypic polymorphisms in birds (62). We
147 detected regions under selection among insular and mainland counterparts as F_{ST} outliers and selective
148 sweeps, and identified shared candidate genes among the four species. Comparing the genomic
149 signatures of island colonization in four different species that have been exposed to similar selective
150 pressures and that differ in colonization time (which can be considered as a proxy for different stages
151 along the speciation continuum), can provide useful understanding for the mechanisms shaping the
152 genomic landscapes through the divergence process over time.

153

154 **Methods**

155 ***Study Area and fieldwork***

156 We sampled mainland populations of the common chaffinch (Fringillidae: *Fringilla coelebs*) and the red-
157 billed chough (Corvidae: *Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax*) in the Iberian Peninsula at Segovia and Los Monegros,
158 respectively (see (60,61). The insular populations from both species were sampled in La Palma, the most
159 north-western island of the Canary Islands archipelago (Fig. 1A, Table S1). The common chaffinch lineage
160 in the Canary Islands has recently been raised to species status (63), and we use its current name,
161 Canary Islands chaffinch (*Fringilla canariensis*). The mainland populations of the house finch (Fringillidae:
162 *Haemorhous mexicanus*) and dark-eyed junco (Passerellidae: *Junco hyemalis oreganus*) were sampled in
163 California, and two house finch individuals were sampled in Sierra Juarez (Baja California, Mexico).
164 Insular populations for both species were sampled in Guadalupe Island, Mexico, in the Pacific Ocean
165 (Fig. 1B, Table S1). The junco on Guadalupe Island, until recently a subspecies of *J. hyemalis*, has been
166 raised to species status, and we use its current name, island junco (*Junco insularis*).

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168 All individuals were captured in the field using mist nets, and also mesh traps in the case of red-billed
169 choughs. All individuals were marked with uniquely numbered aluminum bands, sexed, aged and
170 measured. A blood sample was obtained by venipuncture of the sub-brachial vein and stored in absolute
171 ethanol at -20°C in the laboratory for DNA extraction. After processing, birds were released unharmed at
172 the site of capture. We determined the sex of choughs by the amplification of the *Chd1* gene following
173 Griffiths et al. (64).

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175 ***Morphological data and analysis***

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177 We compared the morphological traits of adult males from mainland and insular populations for all
178 species using principal components analysis (PCA) of all variables and univariate analysis of variance
179 (ANOVA) to compare the means among treatments for each species. For the common chaffinch, the
180 junco and the house finch a wing ruler was used to measure unflattened wing length to the nearest 0.5
181 mm, and dial callipers of 0.1-mm precision were used to measure tail length, tarsus length, bill culmen,
182 total bill length, bill width and bill depth, following Milá et al.(65). All measurements were taken by a
183 single observer (BM). For the red billed chough, the same traits were measured by a single observer (GB)
184 following standard methods described previously (66).

185 The PCA including all morphological variables was computed using the *prcomp* function in *stats R*
186 package.

187 ***Genome resequencing***

188 Genomic DNA was extracted with a QIAGEN Blood and Tissue kit following the manufacturer's protocol.
189 Resequencing at 18x coverage of 24 individuals per species (12 per treatment, but only 9 for the
190 mainland common chaffinch) was conducted on a SE50 Illumina™ platform at Novogene™. Reads were
191 trimmed with *Trim Galore* (67) and mapped to their respective reference genomes using BWA (Burrows-
192 Wheeler Aligner, (68). For the common chaffinch and the house finch we used the common chaffinch
193 reference genome (GCA_015532645.2, (69); for the junco we used the *Junco hyemalis* reference
194 genome (GCA_003829775.1, (70); and for the red-billed chough we used the *Corvus moneduloides*
195 reference genome (GCA_009650955.1, bCorMon1.pri). SNPs were called using BCFTOOLS v.1.3.1 (71)
196 including invariant sites. Filtering was performed with VCFTOOLS v. 0.1.15 (72) separately for variant and
197 invariant sites, using the following criteria for variant sites: (i) Indels and sites with more than two alleles
198 were removed; (ii) a number of reads per site between 10 and 40; (iii) a minimal genotype quality of 30;
199 (iv) a minor allele frequency of 0.01; and (v) 25% maximum missing data and for invariant sites a
200 minimal genotype quality of 30. Variant and invariant sites were then merged using BCFTOOLS concat.
201 The reference genomes from all four species were aligned to the zebra finch genome (*Taeniopygia*
202 *guttata*, bTaeGut2.pat.W.v2) using nucmer from the MUMmer package (v.4.0, '-b 400' and filtering with
203 'delta-filter -1'; (73) and chromosomes were numbered accordingly (see Table S2, Fig. S1).

204

205 ***Inference of demographic history***

206 The change in effective population size (N_e) across time for each species was estimated using Pairwise
207 Sequentially Markovian Coalescent (PSMC) analysis (74). The PSMC model infers demographic history
208 based on genome-wide heterozygous sequence data. We used SAMTOOLS (75) to obtain diploid
209 consensus sequences from BAM files generated with BWA-mem (68). Sites with sequencing depth lower
210 than 10 and higher than 35 were removed. Because sex chromosomes can show different rates and
211 patterns of evolution than autosomes (reviewed by (44,76), we focused our comparisons of
212 differentiation statistics on autosomes only. We converted the diploid consensus sequence to PSMC
213 input files (psmcfa) using the tool fq2psmcfa included in the PSMC software. Then, the program PSMC
214 was used to infer the population history with the options '-N25 -t5 -r1 -p "4+30*2+4+6+10', except for
215 the mainland common chaffinch, and for both populations of the house finch, where the upper time
216 limit was set to 1 (-t1) to achieve convergence. We performed 100 bootstraps for one genome per
217 species and treatment. The atomic time interval was set following Nadachowska-Brzyska et al., (77). We
218 used a mutation rate of 4.6 e-9 mutations/site/generation (78), which has been used in other avian
219 systems for PSMC analysis (e.g., (21,79–81). Generation time was set to two years for all species (82–
220 84).

221

222 ***Inference of recombination rate***

223 In order to determine the effect of recombination rate on the genomic landscapes of differentiation, we
224 estimated recombination rates across the genome for insular and continental populations for the four
225 species using LDhat software (85). First, we created a modified likelihood lookup table based on the
226 LDhat precomputed tables using a sample size of 12 per treatment (9 for the continental common
227 chaffinch) and a population mutation rate parameter estimate of 0.001. Then vcf files were split into
228 chunks of 10,000 SNPs and converted to ldhat format using VCFTOOLS v. 0.1.15 (72). The input files
229 generated were used in LDhat "interval" to estimate the effective recombination rate by implementing a
230 Bayesian MCMC sampling algorithm with five million iterations, sampling every 5,000 steps and a block
231 penalty of 10. Finally, the results were summarized using the LDhat module "stat", discarding 20% of the
232 samples as burn-in.

233

234 **Genome scans and detection of selective sweeps**

235 In order to detect genomic signatures of selection among the island and mainland counterparts from the
236 four different species, we estimated two different statistics, the fixation index (F_{ST} , (39) and the cross-
237 population extended haplotype homozygosity (XP-EHH) (86). First, F_{ST} , d_{xy} and π using were calculated in
238 non-overlapping windows of 10Kb using pixy v. 2 (87). Pixy takes into account the invariant sites for π
239 and d_{xy} calculations, thus overcoming the problem of most programs that use VCF files to calculate those
240 statistics but do not distinguish among invariant and missing sites, resulting in deflated estimates (87).
241 We also computed Tajima's D (72,88) in non-overlapping 10-Kb windows with VCFTOOLS (72,89). The
242 averaged values of each variable were then transformed to Z-scores using the "scale" command in R. To
243 detect F_{ST} , outliers we corrected for multiple testing setting the false discovery rate (FDR) to 0.05 (89).

244
245 To detect selective sweeps, we computed the cross-population extended haplotype homozygosity (XP-
246 EHH, (86) using the R package *rehh* (90). First, we phased the vcf files containing only the variant sites in
247 50-Kb windows using Shapeit v2.r904 (91). The XP-EHH is based on the comparison of haplotype lengths
248 between populations and has most detection power when the selected haplotype is near fixation in one
249 population and still polymorphic in the other. The genomic regions showing a $-\log_{10}(p\text{-value}) \geq 3$ were
250 considered to be under selection. Then, we looked for overlapping regions between the F_{ST} and the XP-
251 EHH outliers. We generated Manhattan plots for all the statistics using the R package *qqman* (92) in R v.
252 3.6 (93).

253

254 **Detecting putative chromosomal inversions**

255 In order to detect potential chromosomal inversions, we examined how patterns of population structure
256 varied along the genome using the R package *lostruct* (94). SNP data for each species including only
257 variant sites was converted to BCF format using BCFTOOLS version 1.9 (75). We implemented the script
258 provided by Huang et al., (95) dividing the genome into 1,000-SNP non-overlapping windows and
259 applying a principal components analysis (PCA) to each window. Euclidian distances between the two
260 first principal components (PCs) between windows were calculated and mapped using multidimensional
261 scaling (MDS) into a 40-dimensional space in order to see the similarity of the relatedness patterns
262 between windows. To identify genomic regions with extreme MDS values, windows with absolute values
263 greater than 4 SD over the mean across all windows were selected for each MDS coordinate. We
264 performed 1,000 permutations of windows over chromosomes to test if outlier regions were randomly

265 distributed across chromosomes. The putative inversion coordinates were the start position of the first
266 outlier window and the end position of the last outlier window. The script included additional analyses
267 to check if the MDS outliers were detecting inversions or instead other processes such as linked
268 selection. First, a PCA was performed using the SNPs from each putative inversion with *SNPRelate* (96).
269 Inversions in the PCA would split the samples into three different groups (i.e., the two orientations and
270 the heterozygotes in an intermediate cluster). The R function *kmeans* with the Hartigan & Wong (97)
271 method was used to identify the composition of groups of genotypes by performing clustering on the
272 first PC, setting the initial cluster centers as the maximum, minimum and middle of the PC score range.
273 Then, another test was performed averaging the individual heterozygosity per group detected by the k-
274 means clustering. Inversions would show a pattern of higher heterozygosity of the central group relative
275 to the other two groups. Finally, only MDS outlier regions that clustered into three groups in the PCA
276 and showed higher heterozygosity in the middle group were considered as putative inversions.
277

278 ***Candidate genes and GO-term enrichment analysis***

279 We extracted the candidate genes of the genomic regions detected to be under selection by both
280 methods separately (F_{ST} and XP-EHH outliers) using bedtools intersect and the annotation of their
281 respective reference genomes. We checked their functions in *genecards* (98). We obtained the GO
282 terms using the zebra finch dataset in *biomaRt* in R. We then performed a Gene ontology (GO)
283 enrichment analysis for each set of outliers in the category “biological function” using the *TopGO* R
284 package (99). To estimate the statistical significance, we used the Fisher exact test implementing the
285 *weight01* method. As recommended by the *TopGO* authors, we did not implement corrections for
286 multiple testing and presented raw p-values for the top-10 GO terms related to biological processes.
287

288 **Results**

289 ***Morphological differences***

290 The morphological analysis revealed marked differences in most traits between insular and continental
291 populations for all species. The small species (common chaffinch, junco and house finch), shared a
292 pattern of significantly larger values for most traits in the insular populations compared to mainland,
293 except for the junco wing length, which was longer in the continent (Table S3). In the larger sized red-
294 billed cough, we detected the opposite pattern, with significantly smaller values for most

295 morphological traits in the insular populations, except for bill width, which was smaller in the continent
296 (Table S3). The PC1 for all species showed significant differences among insular and mainland
297 populations, explaining over 39% of the variance in all cases (Fig. 2).

298

299 ***Whole-genome resequencing***

300 The total number of sites obtained in the variant calling was close to the length of the reference
301 genomes. The number of variant sites (40-50 million) was similar for all species except for the red-billed
302 chough, which was lower (~13 million), and the same pattern was maintained after filtering (Table S4).
303 The lower number of variants of the red-billed chough is consistent with its recent divergence, although
304 the house finch shows a high level of polymorphism, comparable to the other two species that diverged
305 a longer time ago.

306 ***Inference of demographic history***

307 PSMC-based demographic inference revealed a consistent pattern for the four species, showing stable
308 or growing effective population sizes for mainland populations and a sharp reduction in effective
309 population size in insular populations following colonization. The island-mainland divergence time
310 estimates obtained from the PSMC analysis are around 900,000 years for the common chaffinch,
311 100,000 years for the house finch, 400,000 years for the dark-eye junco, and 30,000 years for the red-
312 billed chough (Fig. 3, S2). The continental population of the red-billed chough showed the smallest
313 effective population size, and the smallest difference between the continental and insular populations
314 among the study species.

315

316 ***Inferring parallel evolution from genome-wide scans***

317 Genome-wide scans of genetic differentiation showed high heterogeneity across the four target species.
318 The F_{ST} genomic landscapes varied strongly among species (Fig. 4-7). Mean F_{ST} was higher in the common
319 chaffinch, followed by the dark-eyed junco, as expected for relatively longer island-mainland divergence
320 times. The red-billed chough showed a slightly higher mean F_{ST} than the house finch (Table 1). The red-
321 billed chough's genetic diversity was one order of magnitude lower than the rest, both for insular and
322 mainland populations. The insular common chaffinch population showed the second lowest genetic
323 diversity while the continental population showed the highest diversity value (Table 1). All species

324 showed consistently higher gene content and recombination rates at microchromosomes, and in
325 general, recombination rates were higher at chromosome extremes (Fig. 4-7).

326
327 The red-billed chough genomic landscape shows high levels of relative differentiation across the whole
328 genome with few outlier regions. Mean genetic diversity in both populations is one order of magnitude
329 lower than in the other three species (Table 1), showing very low values across the entire genome
330 except in the microchromosomes, where genetic diversity and divergence show higher values at regions
331 of high gene content. However, the XP-EHH analysis revealed evidence of selective sweeps, showing a
332 few clear peaks along the genome that coincide with drops in Tajima's D (Fig.4).

333
334 The common chaffinch genome landscape is characterized by several F_{ST} peaks that coincide with valleys
335 in d_{xy} and π , and peaks in Tajima's D mainly in the continent (i.e., peaks in chromosomes 1,1A, 2, 3, 4,
336 4A, 6, Fig. 5). This pattern is consistent with the model of recurrent selection, which states that selection
337 in the ancestor previous to the mainland-island split, generates a pattern of low d_{xy} and subsequent
338 selection after divergence reduces genetic diversity, generating F_{ST} peaks. XP-EHH detected selective
339 sweeps mostly concentrated in the microchromosomes and the Z chromosome; few of them coincided
340 with F_{ST} peaks.

341
342 The dark-eyed junco genomic landscape is highly differentiated across the entire genome, and there are
343 few outlier genomic regions, which often coincide with chromosomal extremes (Fig. 6). The XP-EHH
344 scans did not detect significant selective sweeps across the genome, with only three small regions
345 detected.

346
347 The house finch genomic landscape is characterized by a large, highly differentiated region in the middle
348 of chromosome 3, representing 47 million base pairs, suggesting a large chromosomal inversion. It
349 coincides with high values of Tajima's D in the continental population and a region of low
350 recombination, while d_{xy} and π show regular values (Fig. 7). At the end of the same chromosome and at
351 the beginning of chromosome 4, there are two F_{ST} peaks that coincide with a valley in d_{xy} and π , and a
352 peak in Tajima's D. This pattern is consistent with the recurrent selection model. The
353 microchromosomes show high relative differentiation along with high recombination rates and enriched
354 gene content. The XP-EHH scan showed a relatively flat landscape with no evidence for significant
355 selective sweeps.

356

357 ***Detecting putative chromosomal inversions***

358 After combining all possible evidence, the analysis to detect inversions revealed that the red-billed
359 chough genome has no putative inversions. The dark-eyed junco genome showed two possible inverted
360 regions in chromosomes 6 and 7 (Table S5, Fig. S3A) but neither of them coincided with an F_{ST} outlier
361 region. The common chaffinch genome showed two possible inversions in chromosomes 2 and 4, and
362 both coincided with F_{ST} outlier regions (Table S5, Fig. S3B). The house finch genome revealed five
363 putative inversions, a large one in chromosome 3, one in chromosome 1A, and three in chromosome 1.
364 (Table S5, Fig. S3C). Only the large inversion in chromosome 3 coincides with an F_{ST} outlier region (Fig. 7).
365

366 ***Detection of candidate genes and GO-term enrichment analysis***

367 Sharing of candidate genes among species was limited. There were only two genes putatively under
368 selection that were shared between two species: the *morc2* gene was shared between the house finch
369 and the dark-eyed junco, and the *spef2* gene was shared between the dark-eyed junco and the common
370 chaffinch. The *morc2* gene is associated with Marie-Tooth Disease, Axonal, Type 2z (CMT2Z) and
371 Developmental Delay, Impaired Growth, Dysmorphic Facies, and Axonal Neuropathy (DIGFAN) diseases
372 in humans. CMT2Z is characterized by distal lower limb muscle weakness and sensory impairment (100)
373 and DIGFAN by impaired motor and intellectual development, poor overall growth, usually short body
374 height and microcephaly and subtly dysmorphic facial features in humans (101,102). The *spef2* gene is
375 involved in sperm development and also plays a role in osteoblast differentiation, being required for
376 normal bone growth (102).

377

378 In the red-billed chough, the F_{ST} outliers mapped to 19 genes and the XP-EHH outliers detected
379 selective sweeps in 14 genes, without overlap between the two methods. Due to the high relative
380 differentiation across the genome and the absence of clear F_{ST} peaks, the clear selective sweeps along
381 the genome could be a better approach to detect candidates for the red-billed chough. However, most
382 of the genes among the 14 outlier genes found within sweeps have unknown functions, and only five
383 genes have known functions and associated GO terms. From the 20,580 available genes from the *Corvus*
384 *moneduloides* genome, only 8,632 from the gene universe (including the five significant genes) could be
385 used for the analysis. Among the top-10 GO terms for the XP-EHH outliers we found several related to

386 chromatin cohesion (i.e., regulation of cohesion loading and negative regulation of sister chromatid
387 cohesion) (Table S6).

388
389 In the common chaffinch, the genomic scan detected 85 genes in the F_{ST} outlier regions, and the XP-EHH
390 revealed 1,724 outliers that mapped to 21 genes, 3 of which were shared with the F_{ST} candidates. Among
391 the 16,563 genes available in the gene universe, the GO term analysis detected 9,065 feasible genes,
392 including 48 out of the 85 significant genes detected as F_{ST} outliers. Among the top-10 GO terms we
393 found several involved in transcription regulation such as “transcription-dependent tethering of RNA
394 polymerase II gene DNA at nuclear periphery” and “histone H3-K4 acetylation”, and others affecting
395 translation like “lysyl-tRNA aminoacylation” (Table S7). There were also two terms related to cell
396 adhesion “regulation of protein localization to cell-cell adherens junction” and “regulation of focal
397 adhesion assembly”, as well as two terms associated with the organization of cellular components
398 including: “positive regulation of endosome organization” and “lysosome localization”.

399
400 In the dark-eyed junco, the F_{ST} genome scan detected relatively few peaks distributed across the genome
401 that mapped to 24 genes, and three regions were detected as sweeps by the XP-EHH scan but did not
402 contain known genes. Among the 24 genes, only 16 had GO terms associated with them. The GO
403 enrichment analysis performed with a gene universe of 17,038 genes found 9,220 feasible genes
404 including 15 potential candidate genes. The top-10 GO terms revealed three terms related to the
405 centrosome, including “negative regulation of protein localization to centrosome”, “protein localization
406 to pericentriolar material” and “positive regulation of mitotic centrosome separation” (Table S8).

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408 Finally, in the house finch, the F_{ST} genome scan detected 111 genes putatively under selection, while the
409 XP-EHH scan detected no significant outliers. From the genes identified under selection, 20 were
410 clustered in the middle region of chromosome 3, and two were at the end of the same chromosome.
411 The remaining genes were mainly clustered within microchromosomes. From the 16,563 available genes
412 in the gene universe, 9,065 including 83 significant genes could be used in the GO enrichment analysis.
413 Within the top-10 significant GO terms (Table S9) we find “growth plate cartilage chondrocyte
414 morphogenesis” which is involved in skeletal development and morphogenesis. Also involved in
415 morphogenesis we found the term “zonula adherens maintenance” which is related to cell-cell
416 adhesion. We also find several terms associated with transcription, including “negative regulation of

417 telomerase RNA reverse transcriptase activity”, “glutaminyl-tRNA aminoacylation” and two histone
418 acetylations (H2-K14 and H3-K23).

419

420 **Discussion**

421 Our comparative analysis of mainland and insular populations of four passerine species yielded shared
422 patterns of phenotypic divergence and demographic history, in contrast to species-specific patterns of
423 related genome-wide variation. Relative to the mainland, all insular populations showed changes in
424 body size, and suffered reductions in effective population size and genetic diversity, patterns that are
425 consistent with previous findings (13,48,103). Island colonizations are usually initiated by a small group
426 of individuals, and the resulting genetic drift, combined with the small size of the island’s geographic
427 area, leads to a small effective population size and low genetic diversity (48,104). Among the four
428 species, the red-billed chough showed the smallest effective population size in both insular and
429 mainland populations, which corresponds to the lowest levels of genetic diversity. In the mainland, this
430 species has shown marked levels of genetic structure in the absence of geographic barriers, suggesting
431 that social barriers due to complex behavioral interactions may constrain gene flow and thus the
432 effective size of local populations (105); the insular population is unlikely to be an exception (60).

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434 Using PC1 and mean differences in tarsus length, as proxies for structural body size in birds (106–109),
435 we found that the three smaller passerines increased in size and the larger species suffered a size
436 reduction upon island colonization. This is consistent with the island rule, which posits that small birds
437 evolve towards a larger size and large birds towards a smaller size upon island colonization (12,13).
438 However, the difference in the house finch tarsus length among insular and mainland populations was
439 not significant probably due to the small sample size. Regarding beak size, we find that insular
440 individuals from the small sized and short-billed species show longer bills than their mainland
441 counterparts whereas the insular population of the long-billed chough species shows a reduction in bill
442 length. All the species show also differences in at least other bill dimension; however, the red billed
443 chough is the only one in which the change is in the opposite direction, showing shorter but wider bills
444 on the island. The beak is both a feeding and thermoregulatory structure with great evolutionary
445 potential that allows birds to quickly adapt to new environmental conditions (110) and therefore plays a
446 fundamental role in avian fitness (111–116).

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448 A major question in evolutionary biology is whether shared phenotypic traits are the result of
449 evolutionary convergence, and the degree to which traits under similar selective pressures share a
450 common genetic basis (117,118). Finding shared patterns of genomic variation and common regions of
451 divergence at the intra- or inter-specific levels has been of major interest to understand the mechanisms
452 underlying local adaptation (43,49,50). These shared divergent regions across taxa are particularly
453 interesting when differentiation evolved independently in unrelated lineages (53). A striking result of
454 our comparative analysis of island-mainland populations in four passerine species is the lack of
455 parallelism in their respective genomic landscapes. We found highly differentiated genomic regions in all
456 four species that were often associated with reduced genetic diversity, suggesting the role of selection
457 in island-mainland differentiation. Yet the lack of congruence in the location of these regions along the
458 genome indicates that the four species adapted to insular environments in different ways, through
459 genetic changes at different loci. Moreover, patterns of recombination rate in these regions suggest that
460 the genomic mechanisms generating these patterns, which include selective sweeps caused by
461 directional selection, chromosomal inversions, and historical factors like recurrent selection, differ in
462 each of the four species.

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464 According to our demographic analysis, the divergence between red-billed choughs on La Palma and the
465 Iberian Peninsula took place around 30,000 years ago, considering a generation time of two years. A
466 previous study (60) estimated the divergence event in a similar time range, within the last 10,000 years
467 using mitochondrial data and around 30,000 years using iMA2, however they used a generation time of
468 6 years based on mainland data. If we apply that value, the divergence time estimate changes to around
469 110,000 years. The red-billed chough also shows the smallest effective population size lowest genetic
470 diversity. This reduced genetic diversity also results in an inflation of the relative divergence (29,119),
471 causing a high baseline to detect outliers while the absolute divergence remains low. The recent
472 divergence of the red-billed chough is apparent due to the low divergence along the genome with a
473 mean d_{xy} value of $8.2 \cdot 10^{-4}$. The regions of higher divergence and genetic diversity are located in the
474 microchromosomes, which have relatively higher recombination rates and higher gene content (120).
475 However, the scan for selective sweeps, which is more efficient in detecting recent divergence, revealed
476 clear peaks along the genome. The red-billed chough is the species showing the strongest selective
477 sweeps, which is also consistent with the low genetic diversity of the species due to genomic hitchhiking
478 of the sites flanking selected loci (121). Among the top ten GO terms of the genes within the selective
479 sweeps there were several related with chromatin cohesion. Specifically, the WAPL gene negatively

480 regulates the association of cohesin with chromatin, having an opposing function to the NIPBL gene.
481 Mutations in the NIPBL gene cause Cornelia de Lange syndrome (CdLS), therefore, mutations in WAPL
482 gene could generate similar developmental deficits to CdLS (122). CdLS can affect most organ systems,
483 but typical characters include craniofacial structures, upper extremities, eyes and the gastrointestinal
484 system (123,124). The actual role of WAPL has not been properly tested, but it has been associated with
485 Warsaw Breakage Syndrome (WABS) (125), which is a cohesinopathy that causes growth retardation,
486 severe microcephaly, sensorineural hearing loss, cochlear anomalies, intellectual disability and abnormal
487 skin pigmentation (125,126).

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489 The common chaffinch of La Palma was found to have diverged from its mainland relatives around 0.8-
490 0.9 my ago, which is in agreement with previous reconstructions of the species evolutionary history (61).
491 A study of the entire common chaffinch radiation across the Atlantic archipelagos revealed that it first
492 colonized Azores, then Madeira and finally the Canary Islands (61). This sequential colonization of
493 isolated archipelagos has left a genomic signature of recurrent selection along the genome, leading to
494 regions with low absolute divergence due to selection in the ancestor, that were subsequently selected
495 in the daughter populations, reducing genetic diversity and generating F_{ST} peaks (45). This recurrent-
496 selection model fits well with the known colonization history, as the first selective episode probably
497 occurred upon colonization of the Azores, and then at every subsequent colonization step between
498 islands, where successive selective events at the same genomic regions likely led to a loss of genetic
499 diversity. Among the genes associated with outlier loci there were several involved in metabolism (i.e.,
500 *fabp2*, *kars1*, *lipa*, *nfrkb*, *pdha1*), five involved in pigmentation and six related to singing. Among the
501 genes related to pigmentation, there were several related to avian plumage coloration, *ap3b1* (127),
502 *hps6* (128) and *ric1* (129), one was related to sexual dichromatism in birds (130), and the *atrn* gene was
503 related to melanin production and has also been associated with coat coloration in macaques (131).
504 Regarding the genes related to song, we detected, *chrm2* and *chrm5*, which have shown differential
505 expression associated with song learning and production in zebra finch (132), the *mrps27* (133) and
506 *upf3b* (134), which are involved in the song control system in the zebra finch, the *paip1* gene, which has
507 been associated with song learning (135), and the *ube2d3* gene, which was related to musical abilities
508 using a convergent evidence method including data from humans, songbirds and other animals (136).
509 Interestingly, within the top-ten significant GO terms we detected “positive regulation of endosome
510 organization” and endosomes play an important role in neural development (137). We also find the

511 term “regulation of focal adhesion assembly” and it has been shown that cell adhesion plays an
512 important role in tissue morphogenesis (138).

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514 In the dark-eyed junco, the demographic inference revealed that the insular population on Guadalupe
515 diverged around 400,000 years ago, which is similar to previous estimates (59). The differentiated
516 regions were mainly distributed at the ends of chromosomes, coinciding with telocentric centromeres,
517 as previously found in Swainson’s thrushes (139). Consistent with this pattern, among the top-ten GO
518 terms we identified several that were related to the centrosomes, increasingly recognized as signaling
519 machines capable of regulating many cellular functions (140).

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521 In the house finch, the genomic landscape showed signatures of different processes. Despite the recent
522 divergence time between mainland and Guadalupe Island populations, estimated at about 100,000
523 years before present, we did not detect signatures of significant selective sweeps. The large region
524 showing high differentiation and very low recombination in chromosome 3 likely represents a major
525 chromosomal inversion. Genomic islands of differentiation could be generated by chromosomal
526 rearrangements that cluster highly differentiated loci together due to genomic hitchhiking (95,141).
527 However, that could represent either a group of adaptive alleles or several neutral loci linked to a focal
528 selected allele (141). Several studies have found regions highly diverged within chromosomal inversions
529 (95,142–144). In this case, 20 genes putatively under selection were found within the inversion. Two of
530 those genes (*fam162b* and *fig4*) are related to facial morphology and related disorders. Little is known
531 about the function of the *fam162b* gene, but it is expressed in mouse facial prominences (145), and *fig4*
532 is associated with the Yunis-Varon syndrome, characterized by skeletal defects including cleidocranial
533 dysplasia, digital anomalies and neurological impairment (146,147). Another interesting candidate is the
534 *lyd* gene, which is also found within an inversion in chromosome 2 in the white-throated sparrow
535 (*Zonotrichia albicollis*) and has shown differences in expression between two morphs that differed in
536 territorial aggression including song (147). Within that inversion, they found mainly genes related to
537 behavior and plumage color. Some genes within the inversion in the house finch are related to mental
538 retardation in humans including FMN2 (148,149), or to behavior in mice, like *pnisr* (150,151).
539 Interestingly, within the house finch inversion we also found the gene *gtf3c6*, which was found to be a
540 candidate involved in sexual selection in a comparison of 11 bird genomes (151). Within the top-ten
541 significant GO terms, we found “growth plate cartilage chondrocyte morphogenesis”, which is involved
542 in skeletal development and morphogenesis and regulated by multiple signaling pathways including,

543 among others, the bone morphogenetic proteins (Bmp; (152), fibroblast growth factors (FGFs; (153) and
544 Wingless/int.1 molecules (Wnt; (154). Among these pathways, the Bmp and Wnt signaling pathways are
545 known to be involved in facial development in different organisms including beak morphology in birds
546 (155,156). We also found the term “zonula adherens maintenance” and it has been shown that the
547 adherens junctions are also involved in tissue morphogenesis (138).

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549 Here we studied four cases of island-mainland divergence in passerine species that have colonized
550 oceanic islands and share phenotypic modifications likely caused by similar selective pressures, and
551 asked whether the underlying genetic mechanisms were also shared. Our general result in this respect is
552 that the regions of the genome showing evidence of divergence under directional selection are lineage
553 specific, suggesting that the genetic basis of phenotypic divergence is different in each case, so that
554 evidence for convergence at the genomic level appears to be lacking (49). Even if the same regions had
555 been detected as putatively under selection or with shared genomic features involved in genomic
556 differentiation, such as the stable recombination landscape in avian lineages (56), it would be difficult to
557 determine whether that pattern is generated by directional selection or by background and linked
558 selection. Despite examples showing that few loci of large effect can drive adaptive divergence in
559 complex traits, such as the bill (e.g., (157), selection is likely to act on many loci of small effect due to the
560 polygenic nature of most adaptive traits (158,159). Consequently, convergent phenotypes could in fact
561 be due to divergent genotypes. Several examples to date show that phenotypic change in a given trait
562 can be driven by different sets of genes, such as mouth morphology in cichlid fishes (160), or color
563 pattern in mice (161,162) and flies (163). Even though the outlier genes differ among species, there
564 could be common significant GO terms because different genes share functions and pathways.

565 Interestingly, between the common chaffinch and the house finch we found several similar GO terms
566 related to tRNA aminoacylation, histone acetylations and cell adherens junctions. Remarkably, we found
567 that in all four species, GO terms are mostly related to gene regulation, for instance by modifying
568 histones or altering chromatin binding and chromosome condensation, which are essential for
569 differentiation and development. Recently, Monroe et al. (164) reported that mutations occur less often
570 in functional regions of the genome, and that epigenomic and physical chromosomal features account
571 for the position of the mutations. In our case, most of the terms related to outlier loci are involved in
572 epigenetic modifications, suggesting that changes in gene regulation, instead of specific core genes, may
573 be the main drivers of divergence. Currently, several models are being developed to understand the role
574 of gene regulation in the evolution of complex traits (27,165), implying that regulatory regions are

575 disproportionately targeted by polygenic selection, highlighting the key role of gene regulatory networks
576 in evolution (166).

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579 **Consent for publication**

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1001 **Tables**

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1003 **Table 1.** Divergence and diversity across the genome. Mean values, standard deviation and range of
1004 genomic summary statistics for the four species, including: Samples sizes for the continental and insular
1005 populations (N_{cont} and N_{is}), fixation Index (F_{ST}), absolute genomic divergence (d_{xy}), and genetic diversity
1006 for the insular and the continental populations.

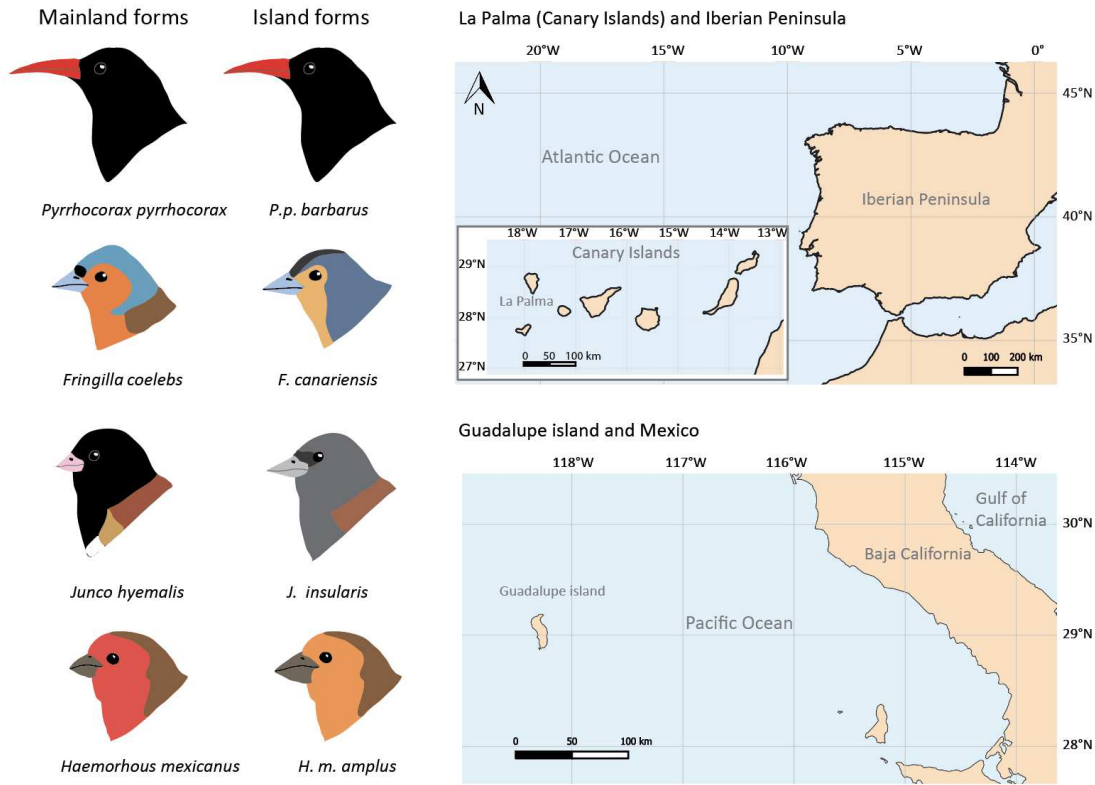
Species	N_{cont}	N_{is}	$F_{ST} \pm sd$	range	$d_{xy} \pm sd$	range	$\pi_{island} \pm sd$	range	$\pi_{continent} \pm sd$	range
Red-billed chough	12	12	0.21 ± 0.12	[-0.055 - 0.89]	0.0008 ± 0.0004	[0 - 0.15]	0.0005 ± 0.003	[0 - 0.013]	0.0008 ± 0.0004	[0 - 0.020]
House finch	12	12	0.14 ± 0.09	[-0.45 - 0.66]	0.006 ± 0.002	[0 - 0.017]	0.0043 ± 0.002	[0 - 0.018]	0.0052 ± 0.002	[0 - 0.016]
Dark-eyed junco	12	12	0.26 ± 0.07	[0.006 - 0.68]	0.005 ± 0.002	[0 - 0.023]	0.0022 ± 0.001	[0 - 0.023]	0.0049 ± 0.002	[0 - 0.022]
Common chaffinch	9	12	0.40 ± 0.05	[-0.033 - 0.88]	0.009 ± 0.003	[0 - 0.022]	0.0016 ± 0.001	[0 - 0.021]	0.0091 ± 0.003	[0 - 0.023]

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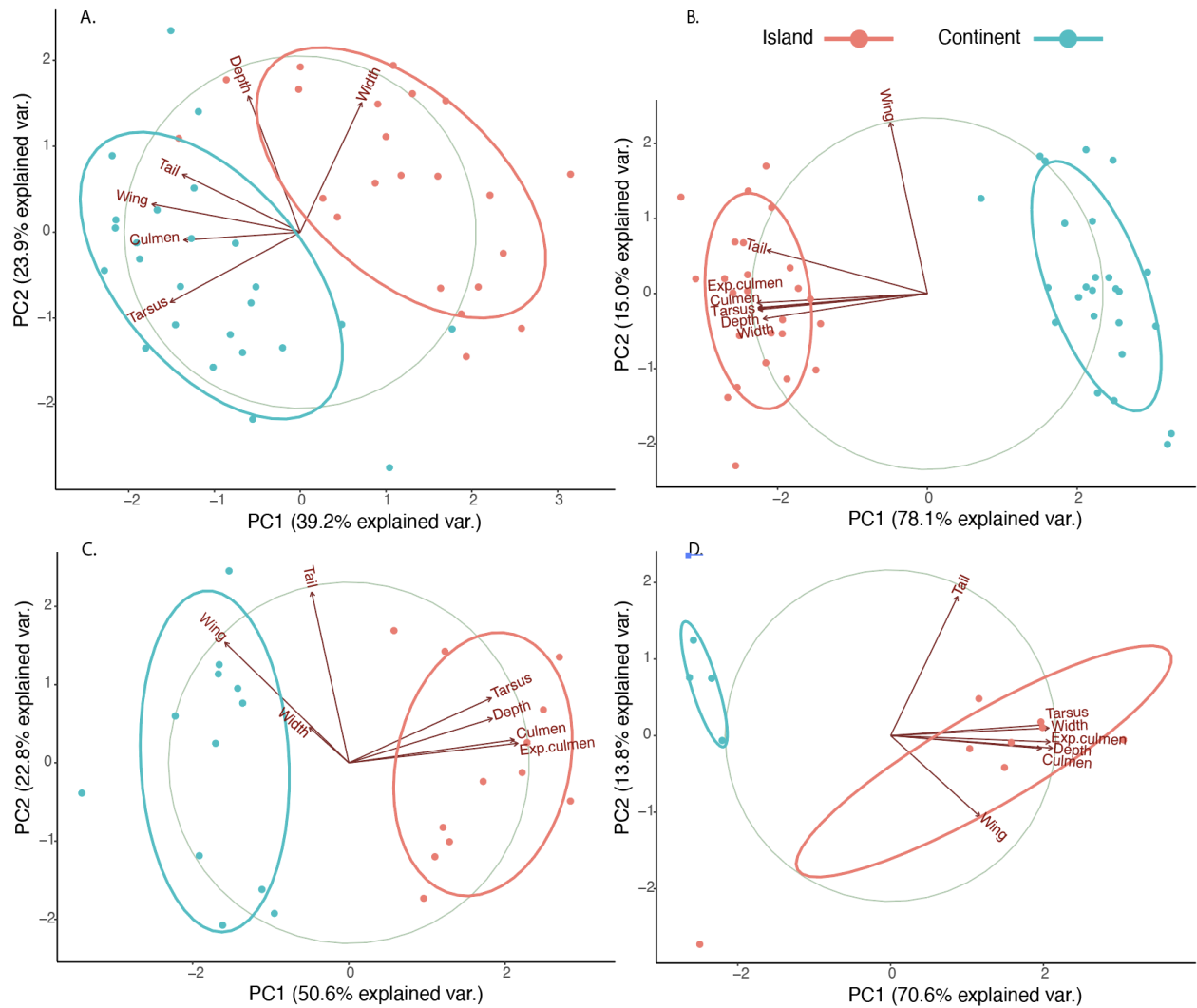
1010 **Figures**



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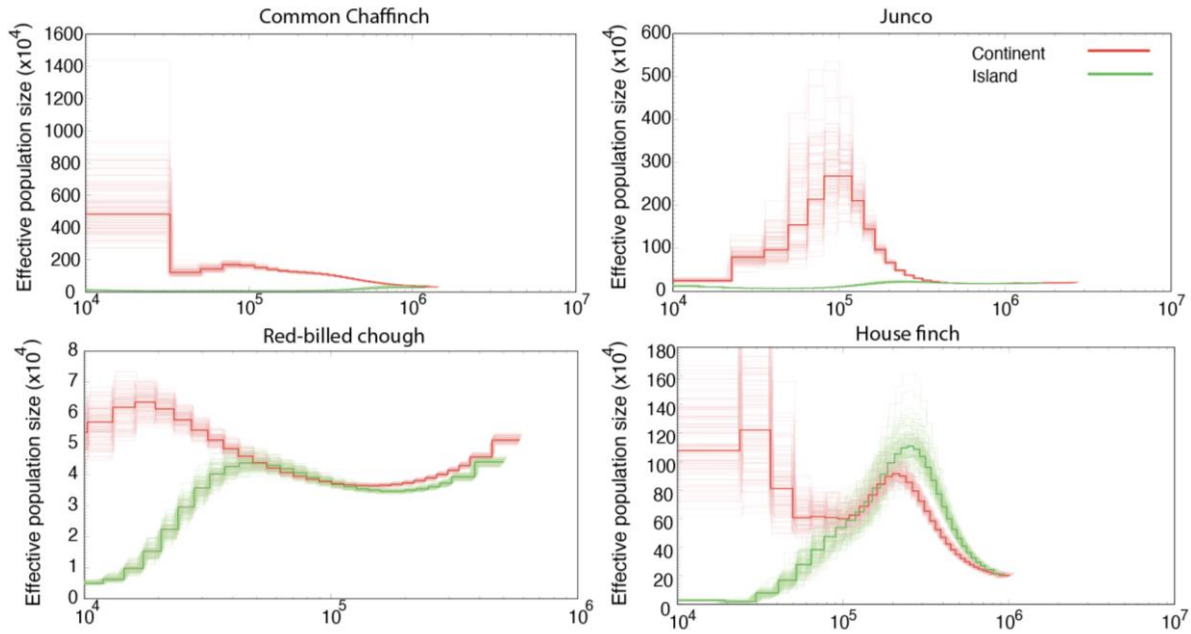
1012 **Figure 1. Target taxa for comparative analysis.** (A) Species that have colonized La Palma in the Atlantic
 1013 Ocean: the red-billed chough and the common chaffinch. (B) Species that have colonized Guadalupe
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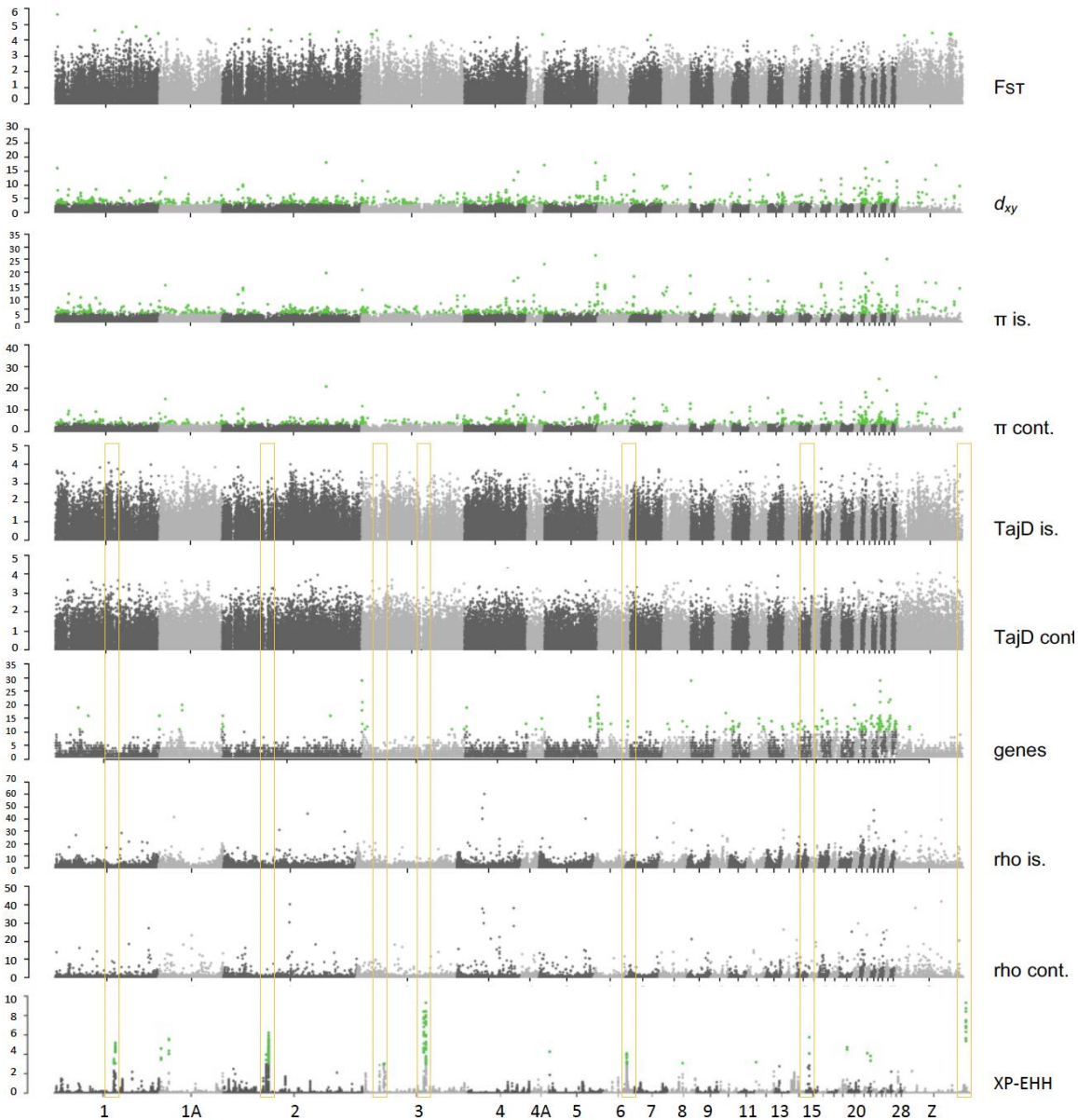


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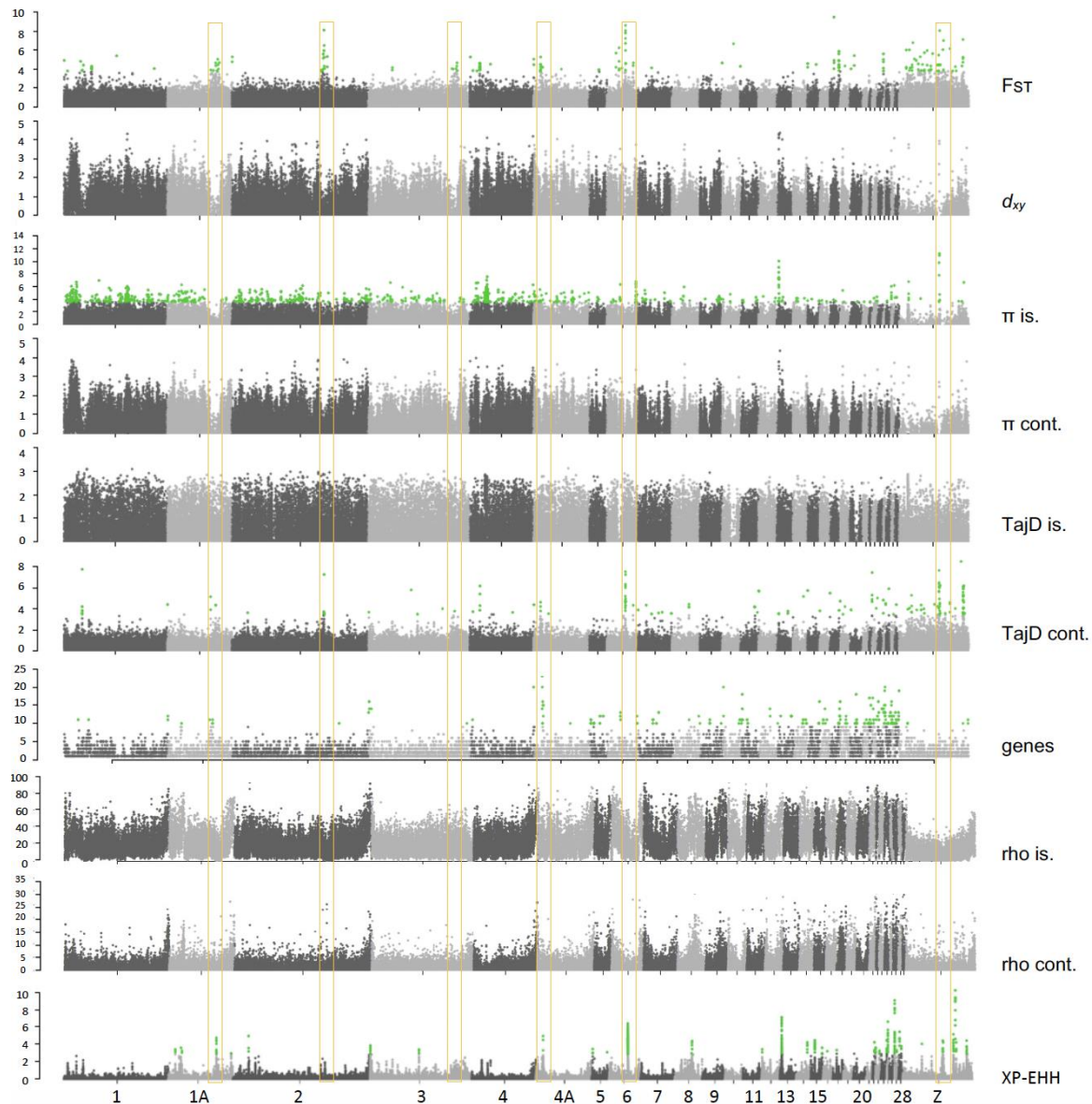
Figure 2. Principal Component Analysis (PCA) with morphological data per species A) Red-billed chough, B) Common/Canary Islands chaffinch, C) Dark-eyed/island junco, D) House finch. The variables included are wing, tail and tarsus length and bill depth, width, culmen and exposed culmen (the latter is not included for the red-billed chough). The correlation circle with radius 1 show the loadings of each variable that are represented by the arrows. The variables included are wing, tail and tarsus length and bill depth, width, culmen and exposed culmen (the latter is not included for the red-billed chough). Red and blue markers correspond to insular and mainland individuals, respectively.



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 1029 **Figure 3.** Demographic history of insular and mainland populations. The analysis was performed using
 1030 Pairwise Sequentially Markovian Coalescent (PSMC). Demographic inference for one individual per
 1031 treatment and species, with the red and green dark lines corresponding to the continental and insular
 1032 populations, respectively. The lighter red and green lines represent 100 bootstrap replicates. The point
 1033 where both lines depart from each other corresponds to the time of colonization, which is around
 1034 40,000 y for the red-billed chough, 900,000 y for the common chaffinch, 100,000 y for the house finch
 1035 and 400,000 y for the dark-eye junco. The mutation rate used was of 4.6e-9 mutation/site/generation
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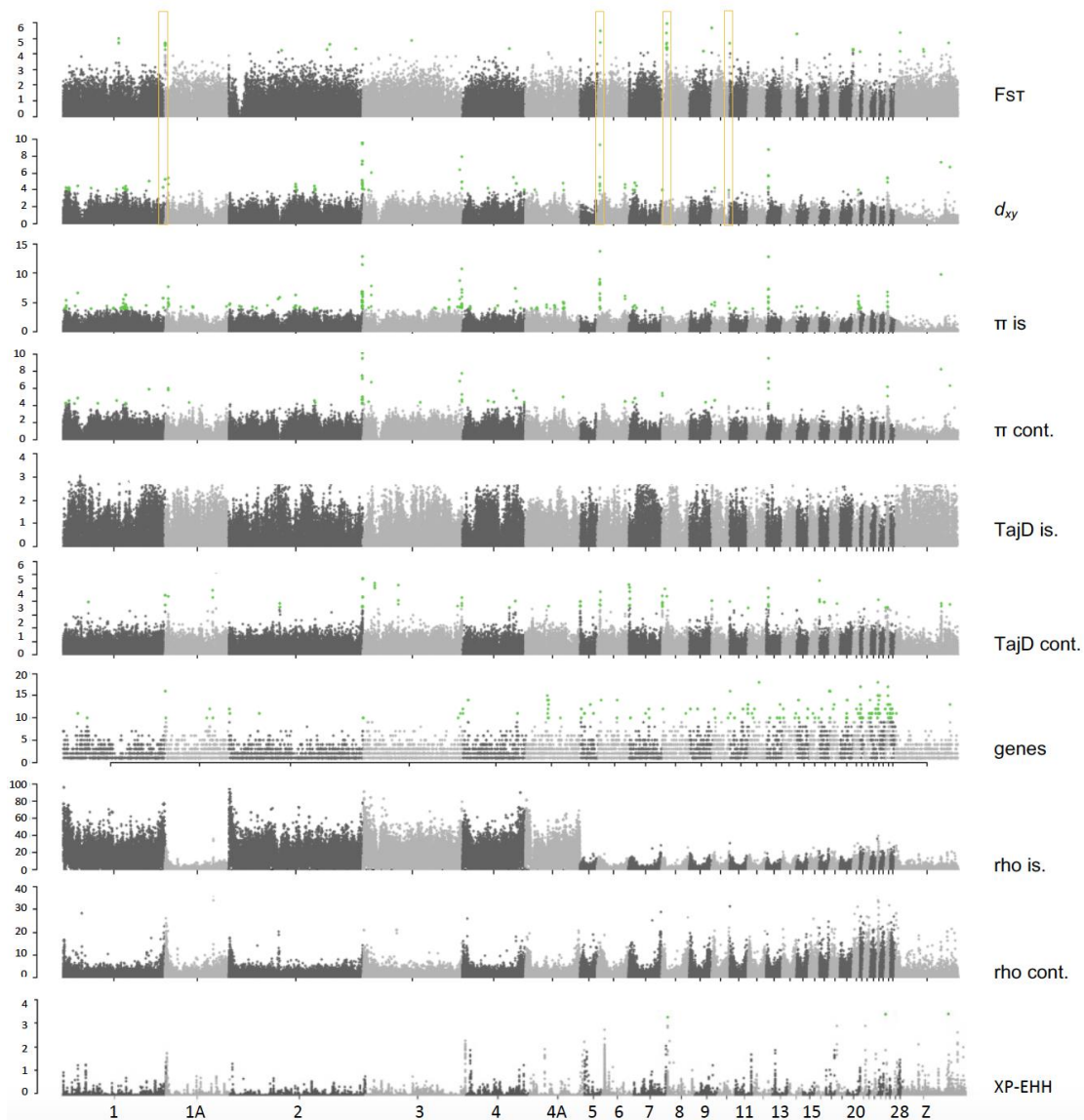


1039 **Figure 4.** Genomic scans for several summary statistics for an island-mainland comparison in the red-
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 1041 (d_{xy}), genetic diversity for insular and continental populations (π), Tajima's D for insular and continental
 1042 populations (TajD), number of genes, recombination rates for insular and mainland populations (rho)
 1043 and Cross-populations Extended Haplotype Homozygosity (XP-EHH). Chromosome numbers correspond
 1044 to the Zebra finch genome (*Taeniopygia guttata*). Green dots represent outliers with the false discovery
 1045 rate (FDR) set at 0.05 after applying the Benjamini and Hochberg correction, except for the XP-EHH,
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Figure 5. Genomic scans for several summary statistics for an island-mainland comparison in the common chaffinch (*Fringilla coelebs*). From top to bottom, fixation index (F_{ST}), genomic divergence (d_{xy}), genetic diversity for insular and continental populations (π), Tajima's D for insular and continental populations (TajD), number of genes, recombination rates for insular and mainland populations (rho) and Cross-populations Extended Haplotype Homozygosity (XP-EHH). Chromosome numbers correspond to the Zebra finch genome (*Taeniopygia guttata*). Green dots represent outliers with the false discovery rate (FDR) set at 0.05 after applying the Benjamini and Hochberg correction, except for the XP-EHH, where the threshold is set at $-\log_{10}(p\text{-value}) \geq 3$. The yellow boxes highlight the signatures of recurrent selection (F_{ST} peaks coincident with drops in d_{xy} and π). Some of them are also coincident with peaks in XP-EHH.



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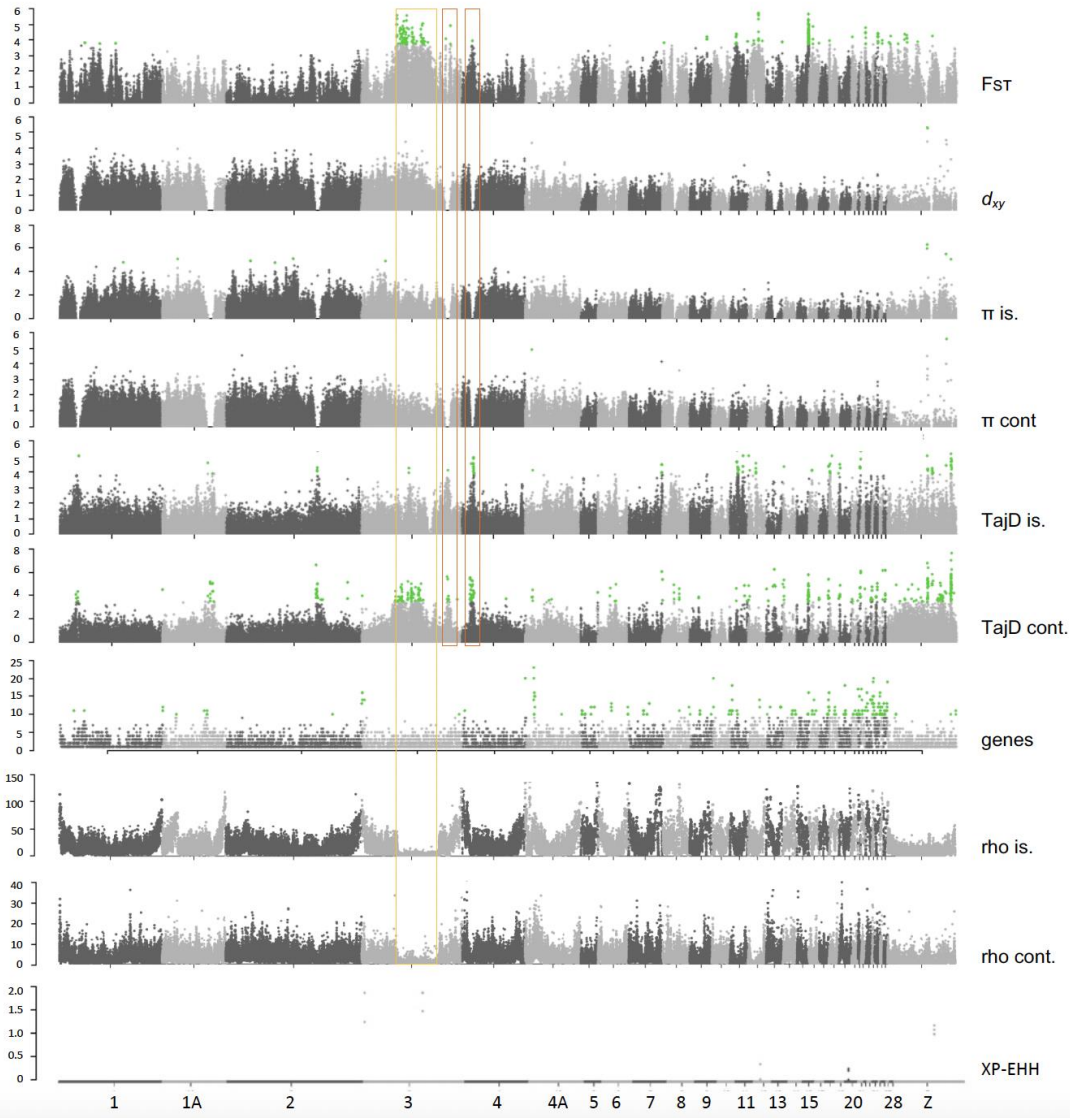
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Figure 6. Genomic scans for several summary statistics for an island-mainland comparison in the dark-eyed junco (*Junco hyemalis*). From top to bottom, fixation index (F_{ST}), genomic divergence (d_{xy}), genetic diversity for insular and continental populations (π), Tajima's D for insular and continental populations (TajD), number of genes, recombination rates for insular and mainland populations (ρ) and Cross-populations Extended Haplotype Homozygosity (XP-EHH). Chromosome numbers correspond to the Zebra finch genome (*Taeniopygia guttata*). Green dots represent outliers with the false discovery rate (FDR) set at 0.05 after applying the Benjamini and Hochberg correction, except for the XP-EHH, where the threshold is set at $-\log_{10}(p\text{-value}) \geq 3$. The yellow boxes highlight the F_{ST} peaks in the chromosome extremes.



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 1073 **Figure 7.** Genomic scans for several summary statistics for an island-mainland comparison in the house
 1074 finch (*Haemorrhous mexicanus*). From top to bottom, fixation index (F_{ST}), genomic divergence (d_{xy}),
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 1082 highlight the signatures of recurrent selection (F_{ST} peak coincident with drops in d_{xy} and π).

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