

1 **Impact of mitonuclear interactions on life-history responses to diet**

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10 11 **Abstract**

12 Mitochondria are central to both energy metabolism and biosynthesis. Mitochondrial function
13 could therefore influence resource allocation. Critically, mitochondrial function depends on
14 interactions between proteins encoded by the mitochondrial and nuclear genomes. Severe
15 incompatibilities between these genomes can have pervasive effects on both fitness and
16 longevity. How milder deficits in mitochondrial function affect life-history trade-offs is less
17 well understood. Here we analyse how mitonuclear interactions affect the trade-off between
18 fecundity and longevity in *Drosophila melanogaster*. We consider a panel of 10 different
19 mitochondrial DNA haplotypes against two contrasting nuclear backgrounds (WE and ZIM)
20 in response to high-protein versus standard diet. We report strikingly different responses
21 between the two nuclear backgrounds. WE females have higher fecundity and decreased
22 longevity on high-protein. ZIM females have much greater fecundity and shorter lifespan
23 than WE flies on standard diet. High-protein doubled their fecundity with no effect on
24 longevity. Mitochondrial haplotype reflected nuclear life-history trade-offs, with a negative
25 correlation between longevity and fecundity in WE flies and no correlation in ZIM flies.
26 Mitonuclear interactions had substantial effects but did not reflect genetic distance between
27 mitochondrial haplotypes. We conclude that mitonuclear interactions can have significant
28 impact on life-history trade-offs, but their effects are not predictable by relatedness.

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30 **Introduction**

31 Mitochondria are not only hubs of energy metabolism but are also responsible for providing
32 the precursors for biosynthetic pathways, including amino-acid, nucleotide, fatty-acid and
33 sugar biosynthesis (1, 2). This means that mitochondrial function necessarily underpins
34 resource allocation, but little is known about this role. A classic evolutionary example of
35 resource allocation is the trade-off between reproduction and longevity, in which animals live
36 fast and die young or vice versa (3). At a cell physiology level, this trade-off involves a shift
37 in metabolic flux through the Krebs cycle (4-6). Active growth favours a biosynthetic flux
38 pattern (anaplerosis) in which relatively more Krebs-cycle intermediates are fed into
39 biosynthetic pathways (7, 8), whereas extended longevity is linked with more conventional
40 cyclic flux in which a higher proportion of intermediates is directed to oxidative
41 phosphorylation, coupled to autophagy, amplified quality-control and resource recycling (9-
42 11). Importantly, shifts in the balance of Krebs cycle intermediates can signal pervasive
43 changes in gene expression and epigenetic status (12). These alterations in flux balance are
44 best understood in cancer (13, 14), but similar shifts likely underpin resource allocation in
45 life-history trade-offs between fecundity and longevity at the organism level. While Krebs
46 cycle flux unavoidably reflects mitochondrial function (15-18), how far that impacts on life-
47 history traits is often obscured by numerous factors including diet, stress, age and nuclear
48 genotype.

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50 One approach to understanding how mitochondrial function might affect life-history trade-
51 offs is to analyse variations in mitochondrial function produced by different mitochondrial
52 DNA (mtDNA) haplotypes and their interaction with the nuclear genomic background.
53 Crosses between very divergent populations can produce severe incompatibilities between
54 mitochondrial and nuclear genomes, causing hybrid breakdown and arguably speciation (19-
55 23). Much of this evidence comes from the copepod model system (*Tigriopus californicus*),
56 where the mitochondrial divergence between neighbouring populations can exceed 20% (19-
57 23). But less dramatic mitonuclear interactions in populations with lower mitochondrial
58 divergence are also predicted to influence life-history trade-offs, constraining how the two
59 genomes can be selected and coevolve, especially in relation to adaptation to changing
60 environments (24-27). *Drosophila melanogaster* is an invaluable model for ‘clean’
61 mitonuclear studies, as balancer chromosomes permit analysis of specific mtDNA haplotypes
62 against an isogenic nuclear background (28). Because mitochondrial function depends on

63 both mitochondrial and nuclear genomes, incompatibilities between these genomes exert a
64 primary effect on metabolic flux. Any alterations in signalling, gene expression, reproductive
65 fitness and longevity then necessarily reflect this primary deficit in mitochondrial function,
66 offering exceptional insight into how mitochondrial function modulates life-history trade-
67 offs. As the variation in mtDNA between different strains of *D. melanogaster* is modest (28,
68 29), it is fairly representative of interbreeding populations, hence any phenotypic effect of
69 mitonuclear mismatches generated in the laboratory should speak directly to real-world life-
70 history trade-offs.

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72 If mitonuclear incompatibilities do indeed force a shift in resource allocation towards either
73 fecundity or longevity, this should produce a negative correlation between these fitness
74 components, with increased fecundity lowering longevity or vice versa. Conversely, if
75 mitonuclear incompatibilities undermine mitochondrial function but resource allocation is
76 unchanged, the null hypothesis is that both fecundity and longevity would be suppressed,
77 generating a positive correlation in which better mitochondrial function increases both
78 fecundity and lifespan. These putative relationships are depicted in **Figure 1**. Our aim is to
79 capture high levels of genetic variation for both fecundity and longevity. For this, we use a
80 panel comprising 10 naturally-occurring mtDNA genomes against two distinct isogenic
81 nuclear backgrounds, *w¹¹¹⁸* (WE) and Zim53 (ZIM) on standard versus high-protein diets.
82 WE and ZIM flies have striking differences in fecundity and longevity (30), with ZIM flies
83 exhibiting some sexual isolation, possibly even incipient speciation (31). High-protein diets
84 tend to promote female fecundity at the expense of longevity, reflecting the high protein
85 requirements of egg production (32-34). We report that mitonuclear interactions do indeed
86 have substantial effects on both fecundity and longevity, but their effect on life-history trade-
87 offs depends on the nuclear background.

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89 **Materials and Methods**

90 *Drosophila* maintenance

91 Twenty mitonuclear genotypes of *Drosophila melanogaster* were used in this experiment.
92 These genotypes were pairwise combinations of two different isogenic nuclear genotypes
93 ZIM53 (35) and WE (*w¹¹¹⁸*, (28)) and ten different mitochondrial haplotypes gathered from
94 sites globally (28): ZIM (Zimbabwe), WE (*w¹¹¹⁸* origin = Ohio, USA), ARM (Armenia),
95 DAH (Dahomey, Benin), BAR (Barcelona, Spain), ORE (Oregon, USA), PUE (Puerto

96 Montt, Chile), MYSO (Mysore, India), MAD (Madang, Papua New Guinea), and ALS
97 (Alstonville, Australia). The *w¹¹¹⁸* nuclear background is derived from the Canton-S strain
98 and harbours the white eye mutation (Bloomington stock number #5905). On the other hand,
99 the ZIM nuclear background was obtained from a field collection in early in the 1990s. The
100 WE mito-nuclear panel was generated over a decade ago, whereas the ZIM panel was
101 generated in 2016. Although the flies have gone through a couple of labs which utilise
102 different recipes for stock maintenance, all flies have been maintained on the
103 molasses/cornmeal/yeast recipe since 2016.

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105 Lines were propagated by 4-day old parental flies, with approximate densities of 80-100 eggs
106 per vial. Flies were kept at 25°C and 50% humidity, on a 12:12 hour light:dark cycle, and
107 reared on 8mL of cornmeal-molasses-agar medium per vial (see Table S1 for recipe), with *ad*
108 *libitum* live yeast added to each vial to promote female fecundity. All lines had been cleared
109 of potential bacterial endosymbionts, such as *Wolbachia*, through a tetracycline treatment at
110 the time the lines were created. Clearance was verified using *Wolbachia*-specific PCR
111 primers (36).

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113 Nutritional treatments

114 This study employed two nutritional treatments that were formulated to be roughly isocaloric
115 but differed in their protein-to-carbohydrate ratios. Our control diet (standard – ST) is the
116 molasses-cornmeal-yeast agar media used to propagate the flies (Table S1). We calculated
117 this diet to have an approximate protein-to-carbohydrate ratio of 1:4. Our experimental diet
118 (PRO) was formulated to have increased protein content, by increasing the amount of yeast in
119 the diet (Table S1). The protein-to-carbohydrate ratio for this diet is approximately 1:2. We
120 do acknowledge that there some variation in the nutritional components.

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122 Longevity assay

123 In the generation prior to the experiment, 4-day old flies were allowed to lay eggs on standard
124 media during a 24-hour period. Ten vials were set up for each mitonuclear line, with egg
125 numbers being immediately culled to 80-100 per vial to avoid overcrowding. Eclosing
126 offspring were collected within a 24-hour period and were placed into separate population
127 cages for each line (20 cages in total). This was to control for confounding environmental
128 sources of variation underpinned by vial-sharing. All population cages were provisioned
129 with standard food media for the flies to feed, thus levelling between-vial variation during

130 development. Flies remained in cages for 48 hours to feed and for mating to occur. Following
131 this period, flies were anaesthetised lightly using CO₂ and set up in single-sex groups of 10-15
132 flies in vials containing food of one of the two diet treatments. Ten vials were set up for each
133 combination of genotype, diet and sex, 800 vials in total.

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135 Flies were transferred to new food vials, of the same dietary treatment, three times a week for
136 the duration of the study. Upon transfer the number of deaths was recorded for each vial.

137 Live flies (identified by twitching or other signs of life) which had become stuck on the
138 media were transferred to the new vial using a scalpel.

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140 Fecundity Measurements

141 Fecundity measurements were collected over 5 time points during the experiment, on days 6,
142 13, 20, 27 and 35. For each time point, female flies were placed on food specific their
143 nutritional treatment for a period of 18-hours. Clutch sizes were determined semi-
144 automatically using the *QuantiFly* software, which counts eggs after a period of user-assisted
145 training (37).

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147 Statistical Analysis

148 Longevity analyses were performed using the *survival* package in R (38, 39). We used Cox
149 proportional hazard models, with survival as a response variable. Mitochondrial haplotype,
150 nuclear genotype, dietary treatment, sex and all their interactions were entered as fixed
151 effects in the model. We also investigated this dataset in a sex-specific manner, splitting the
152 data by sex and running models for each sex that included mtDNA, nuDNA, diet and their
153 interactions as fixed effects.

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155 Female fecundity was measured in the format of number of eggs laid per individual fly in
156 each vial. This accounts for differences in fly numbers between vials caused by mortality. We
157 analysed the data in two ways. We first summed the total number of eggs for each vial to get
158 a measure of total fecundity. Generalised linear mixed models (with a quasi-poisson error
159 distribution to accommodate the over-dispersed data) were fitted to total fecundity, with
160 mtDNA, nuDNA and diet and their interactions as fixed terms. The second way of analysing
161 the data was by getting clutch numbers per day, giving us an indication of fecundity changes
162 with time. For this, we used the same method as before; clutch size was a response variable,

163 with mtDNA, nuDNA, diet and day as fixed factors. Models were also fitted using general
164 linear models and quasipoisson distribution.

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166 To investigate possible trade-offs between egg production and survival, we calculated
167 correlation coefficients between these two traits. Correlation coefficients were assessed using
168 a bootstrapping procedure, in which trait datapoint means were resampled with
169 replacement (10,000 replicates), and 95% confidence intervals were calculated using the
170 Adjusted Percentile (BCa) Confidence interval method (40). Bootstrapped correlation
171 coefficients plus their confidence intervals were calculated using the functions “*boot*” and
172 “*boot.ci*” in the R package *boot* (41).

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174 Given that sequences are available for the protein coding genes of all mitochondrial
175 haplotypes used in our study (28, 42), we also tested if there was a correlation between the
176 genetic distance between strains and their phenotypic divergence in longevity and fecundity.
177 To this end, we created matrices of genetic and phenotypic distances between strains. Genetic
178 distance was quantified as total number of SNPs difference between lines. Phenotypic
179 matrices were specific to each experimental treatment (performed per sex, nuclear genotype,
180 and diet regime) and phenotypic trait (longevity and fecundity). We used a mantel test for
181 matrix correlation between two dissimilarity matrices. Mantel test were implemented with the
182 “*mantel.rtest*” function from the R package *ade4* (43).

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184 **Results**

185 Longevity

186 Our results indicate that the nuclear genome plays a large role in determining lifespan, with
187 the WE nuclear genome having a greater lifespan than the ZIM across both sexes ($\chi^2 =$
188 4046.0, $p < 0.001$, **Table 1, Figure 2**). We also find a significant sex effect ($\chi^2 = 592.28$, $p <$
189 0.001, **Table 1, Figure 2**), although this effect is contingent on the nuclear genome. Females
190 of the WE nuclear background live longer than males, while this effect is reversed in the ZIM
191 nuclear genome (nuc \times sex: $\chi^2 = 1201.95$, $p < 0.001$, **Table 1**). These patterns are consistent
192 with previous data on these two nuclear backgrounds (30, 44). Diet had a significant effect on
193 longevity ($\chi^2 = 352.94$, $p < 0.001$, **Table 1, Figure 2**), but again this effect depended heavily
194 on the nuclear background (nuc \times diet: $\chi^2 = 738.74$, $p < 0.001$, **Table 1**). High protein diet
195 caused shorter lifespan in the WE nuclear background but did not have a discernible effect on

196 lifespan in the ZIM nuclear background. Overall, we found significant levels of
197 mitochondrial genetic effects for survival across all treatments ($\chi^2 = 82.12$, $p < 0.001$, **Table**
198 **1, Figure 2**), but these effects were highly dependent on all other factors (mito \times nuc \times sex \times
199 diet: $\chi^2 = 19.96$, $p = 0.018$, **Table 1, Figures S1-S3**).

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201 Fecundity

202 We found significant fecundity differences between the two nuclear genotypes, with flies
203 carrying the ZIM nuclear background laying more eggs than flies carrying WE ($p < 0.001$,
204 **Table 2, Figure 3**). High protein diets increased fecundity across all flies ($p < 0.001$, **Table**
205 **2, Figure 3**) and we found an interaction between nuclear background and diet (nuc \times diet: p
206 $= 0.044$, **Table 2**), reflecting the fact that fecundity increased more on the high protein diet in
207 flies with the ZIM than the WE nuclear background (nuc \times diet: $p < 0.001$, **Table 2, Figure**
208 **4**). We also found that the mtDNA did impact fecundity of the flies ($p < 0.001$, **Table 2,**
209 **Figure 3**), with this effect being contingent on the nuclear genome (mito \times nuc: $p < 0.001$,
210 **Table 2, Figure 4**), and on diet (mito \times diet: $p = 0.023$, **Table 2, Figure S4**).

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212 Longevity and fecundity trade-offs

213 We examined the relationship between fecundity and longevity across all our treatments and
214 found a negative correlation across all our samples ($r = -0.720$, $CI = -0.835, -0.570$). On
215 closer inspection however, this relationship was dependent on the nuclear genome. Thus,
216 while a survival-fecundity trade-off was present in the WE nuclear background ($r = -0.921$,
217 $CI = -0.959, -0.867$, **Figure 4, Figure S5**), we found no significant relationship between the
218 two life-history variables in the ZIM nuclear background ($r = 0.261$, $CI = -0.262, 0.596$,
219 **Figure 4, Figure S5**).

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221 Matrix correlations

222 We found no significant correlations between the genetic and phenotypic distance matrices in
223 any of the comparisons (**Figure S6**).

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225 **Discussion**

226 In this study, we set out to examine how interactions between mitochondrial and nuclear
227 genotypes shape resource allocation in relation to the nutritional environment (G \times G \times E) in
228 *Drosophila melanogaster*. To do so, we measured longevity and fecundity patterns across a

229 panel of 20 fly genotypes comprising two nuclear genotypes coupled with 10 naturally-
230 occurring mitochondrial haplotypes each. We examined this relationship in two different
231 nutritional environments: standard rearing food and a high protein food. Our results reveal
232 complex interactions for both longevity (mito×nuc×diet×sex) and fecundity (mito×nuc×diet).
233 In broad terms, our findings are consistent with previous work on G×G×E in *Drosophila* (24,
234 45, 46) and highlight the difficulty of generalizing about mitonuclear effects without
235 considering a wide sample of mitonuclear variation across populations (47, 48). While
236 nuclear genes largely shape life history traits in response to diet, mitonuclear interactions
237 modulate these nuclear effects in ways that are not easy to predict.

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239 We show that mitonuclear function is indeed implicated in trade-offs between life history
240 traits. However, the effect of mitonuclear interactions on life-history trade-offs depends on
241 the nuclear genotype (**Figure 4**). Females harbouring the WE nuclear genome exhibit traits
242 that are consistent with a classic trade-off between fecundity and longevity (49), in which
243 mitonuclear interactions produce a negative correlation between mean longevity and the total
244 number of eggs per fly (**Figures 4 and S5**). This corresponds to our hypothesis and shows
245 that mitonuclear interactions do indeed alter resource allocation and life-history trade-offs in
246 flies with the WE nuclear background. In contrast, flies harbouring the ZIM nuclear
247 background behave very differently in terms of resource allocation, showing no correlation
248 between mean longevity and the total number of eggs per fly (**Figures 4 and S5**). This
249 pattern does not correspond to either our mitonuclear resource-allocation hypotheses or the
250 null hypothesis (**Figure 1**). Presumably ZIM flies harbour nuclear genetic variance which
251 benefits fecundity at the cost of longevity regardless of mitochondrial function. On the
252 standard diet, the fecundity of ZIM females was nearly double that of WE, whereas their
253 lifespan was little more than half – shorter even than ZIM males, reversing the normal sexual
254 pattern in *D. melanogaster* (**Figure 2**) (30, 50). The high-protein diet nearly doubled female
255 ZIM fecundity again (**Figure 3**) with no further costs to longevity, suggesting that resource
256 allocation is genuinely resource-limited in ZIM females – females can simply make more
257 eggs on the high-protein than the standard diet. In contrast, the reproductive output of WE
258 females is far more context dependent, based on the allocation between competing life-
259 history traits, rather than limitation on nutrient flow from food to eggs.

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261 High protein diets are known to increase growth rates through mTOR and insulin-related
262 signalling pathways (8), with well-established costs to longevity (51-53). We predict that

263 these pathways are upregulated in ZIM flies even on standard diet and will examine this
264 possibility in future metabolomic and gene expression work. Curiously, the high-protein diet
265 had no effect on ZIM male longevity either, despite suppressing longevity in WE males to
266 similar degree as in WE females (**Figure 2**). This might imply that ZIM flies have nuclear
267 alleles that benefit reproduction at the cost of longevity in both sexes, with the shorter
268 lifespan in females being caused by the higher costs of egg production compared with sperm
269 production in males (54). However, we did not examine male fertility in this study as the
270 major differences between competitive and non-competitive fitness in males complicate
271 resource-allocation (55, 56). Here we aimed simply to establish how mitochondrial function
272 influences resource allocation and life-history trade-offs in the most clear-cut case, to
273 establish the principle.

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275 The radically different correlations between life-history traits in ZIM versus WE females
276 emphasize the dangers of generalizing from mitochondrial interactions characterised against
277 a single nuclear background: presumably the nuclear background sets the physiological tone
278 against which the mitochondria must function. However, in both WE and ZIM females, it is
279 striking that the coevolved fly lines (WE_{nu}-WE_{mt} and ZIM_{nu}-ZIM_{mt}) tended to produce fewer
280 eggs than other, *a priori* more mismatched lines, even though their longevity was close to the
281 mean on both standard and high-protein diets (**Figure 4**). Mitonuclear incompatibilities
282 therefore do not have a clear phenotypic cost in either WE or ZIM females, regardless of any
283 life-history trade-off. On the contrary, the coevolved flies appeared to be among the least fit
284 lines in every case. This relationship cannot be ascribed simply to mutations at the level of
285 mtDNA, as the same mtDNA frequently had opposing effects depending on the nuclear
286 background. For example, WE mtDNA was among the least fecund on the coevolved WE
287 nuclear background on both diets, but among the most fecund on the apparently mismatched
288 ZIM nuclear background, again on both diets (**Figure 3**). These findings would imply that
289 mitonuclear incompatibilities contribute little if anything to the partial reproductive isolation
290 (or incipient speciation) of ZIM flies (31, 57, 58). In contrast to the copepod *Tigriopus*
291 *californicus*, in which severe mitonuclear incompatibilities cause hybrid breakdown (19–23),
292 there is much less mitochondrial divergence between ZIM flies and other *D. melanogaster*
293 lines. Far from inducing hybrid breakdown, ostensibly mismatched mtDNA haplotypes seem
294 to enhance rather than disrupt the fitness of ZIM flies.

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296 Naively, this greater fecundity might seem to be heterosis, but the nuclear background is
297 isogenic in each case, so there cannot be any masking of deleterious alleles by the distinct
298 genes encoded by mtDNA. It is possible there could have been some physiological benefit at
299 the level of metabolic flux: accumulating mutations in inbred laboratory lines could limit
300 mitochondrial function and restrict metabolic flux. Introducing distinct mtDNA haplotypes
301 might open up alternative flux patterns, with benefits for fecundity. Future studies will aim to
302 examine this possibility using a combination of metabolomics and transcriptomics. We note
303 that earlier studies on mice have also implied that there could be benefits to mitonuclear
304 mismatches (59), and that there is little evidence of mitonuclear incompatibility between
305 mtDNA haplotypes (as opposed to nuclear variability producing stochastic mitonuclear
306 incompatibilities between individuals) in humans (60-63).

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308 Even though the coevolved flies were frequently among the least fit lines on both WE and
309 ZIM nuclear backgrounds, we found no association between genetic distance (number of
310 SNPs difference from the coevolved mtDNA) and differences in either longevity or fecundity
311 (**Figure S6**). This finding implies that there has been limited selection for mitonuclear
312 coadaptation within the two nuclear populations sampled, even though mitonuclear
313 incompatibilities can certainly disrupt function. The maximum genetic divergence between
314 mtDNA haplotypes in our study was around 50 SNPs, which is roughly comparable with
315 differences between human populations and very substantially less than copepods such as
316 *Tigriopus californicus*. In more divergent populations, deleterious mutations in mtDNA are
317 often unmasked through outcrosses that supplant compensating alleles in nuclear DNA (19,
318 64). We did not observe any evidence for nuclear compensation in the present study, insofar
319 as the coevolved strains (which would be expected to exhibit some nuclear compensation for
320 mtDNA mutations) were not among the fittest lines, although our sample size of coevolved
321 genotypes was admittedly limited (N=2). A larger-scale study using multiple mitonuclear
322 genotypes plus wider range of environmental conditions could reveal a stronger signal of
323 coevolution.

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325 The most likely explanation for the lack of a relationship with genetic distance in this study is
326 that mitonuclear interactions exert significant but inconsistent effects on life-history traits in
327 different contexts. For example, we observe no consistent relationship between mtDNA
328 haplotype and either longevity or fecundity in males or females, on either diet, suggesting
329 that the need to buffer large variations in mitochondrial function renders most mitonuclear

330 interactions in our study neutral overall (**Figure S1-4**). This might help explain the apparent
331 contradiction between historical claims that most mtDNA mutations are neutral (65, 66), and
332 strong evidence for both purifying and adaptive selection on mitochondrial genes (67-69):
333 mtDNA mutations are not neutral, but selection for any specific mitochondrial trait is offset
334 by the requirement for strong buffering of mitochondrial function in other contexts (different
335 sexes, tissues, diets or temperatures). If so, then adaptation to consistently distinct metabolic
336 environments (specific diets or temperatures) is more likely to reveal consistent mitonuclear
337 coadaptation.

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339 We conclude that mitonuclear interactions can exert substantial, albeit inconsistent, effects on
340 resource allocation and life-history trade-offs in *Drosophila melanogaster*. These effects vary
341 greatly between the two nuclear genotypes we used in our study. WE flies exhibit a negative
342 correlation between female fecundity and longevity, whereas ZIM flies show no correlation
343 at all, likely because the nuclear genotype harbours alleles underpinning a different resource
344 allocation strategy, favouring fast growth, high fecundity and short longevity. Our findings
345 indicate that it is hazardous to generalise from mtDNA interactions with a single nuclear
346 background, and future work will need to examine a wider range of nuclear genotypes,
347 including outbred laboratory lines. In closely related fly populations (where the number of
348 SNPs distance in mtDNA is similar to human populations) mitonuclear interactions do have
349 significant impact on life-history trade-offs, but these effects are not predictable by
350 relatedness.

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531 **Figures and Tables**

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533 **Table 1:** Results from the full Cox proportional hazards model. Here we examine the effects
 534 of mtDNA, nuDNA, diet and sex on survival.

	loglik	Chisq	Df	Pr(>Chi)
NULL	-57110			
mito	-57069	82.1177	9	< 0.001
nuc	-55046	4046.0458	1	< 0.001
sex	-54750	592.2899	1	< 0.001
diet	-54573	352.9434	1	< 0.001
mito × nuc	-54525	97.1015	9	< 0.001
mito × sex	-54504	40.5227	9	< 0.001
nuc × sex	-53903	1201.9533	1	< 0.001
mito × diet	-53889	28.3546	9	< 0.001
nuc × diet	-53520	738.7442	1	< 0.001
sex × diet	-53509	21.8285	1	< 0.001
mito × nuc × sex	-53495	28.9026	9	< 0.001
mito × nuc × diet	-53479	31.8569	9	< 0.001
mito × sex × diet	-53456	46.0503	9	< 0.001
nuc × sex × diet	-53453	4.4679	1	0.03453
mito × nuc × sex × diet	-53443	19.9567	9	0.01818

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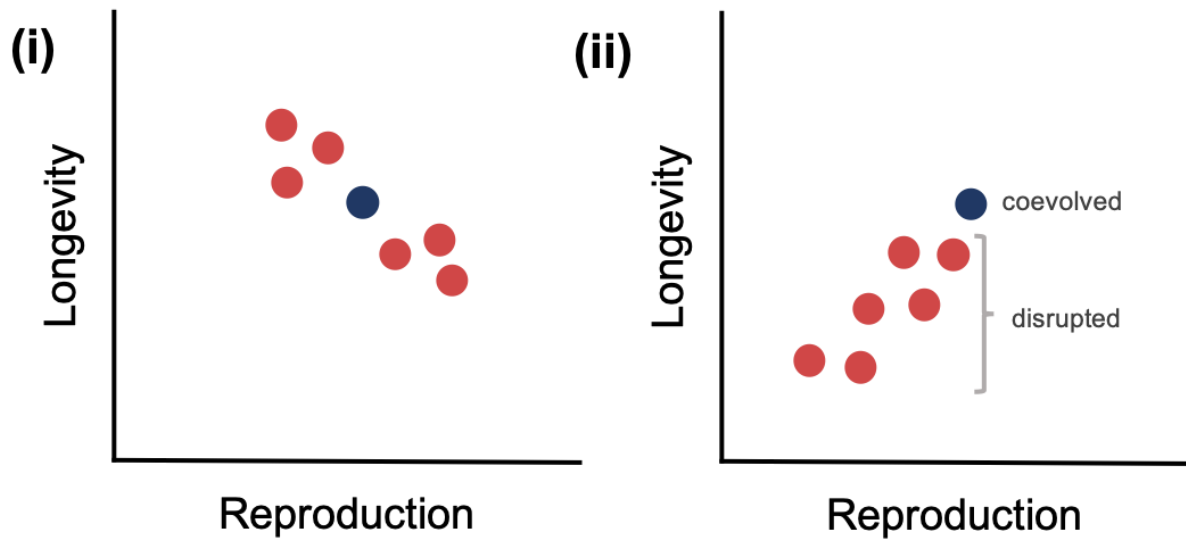
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537 **Table 2:** Results from full generalised linear model examining the effects on mtDNA,
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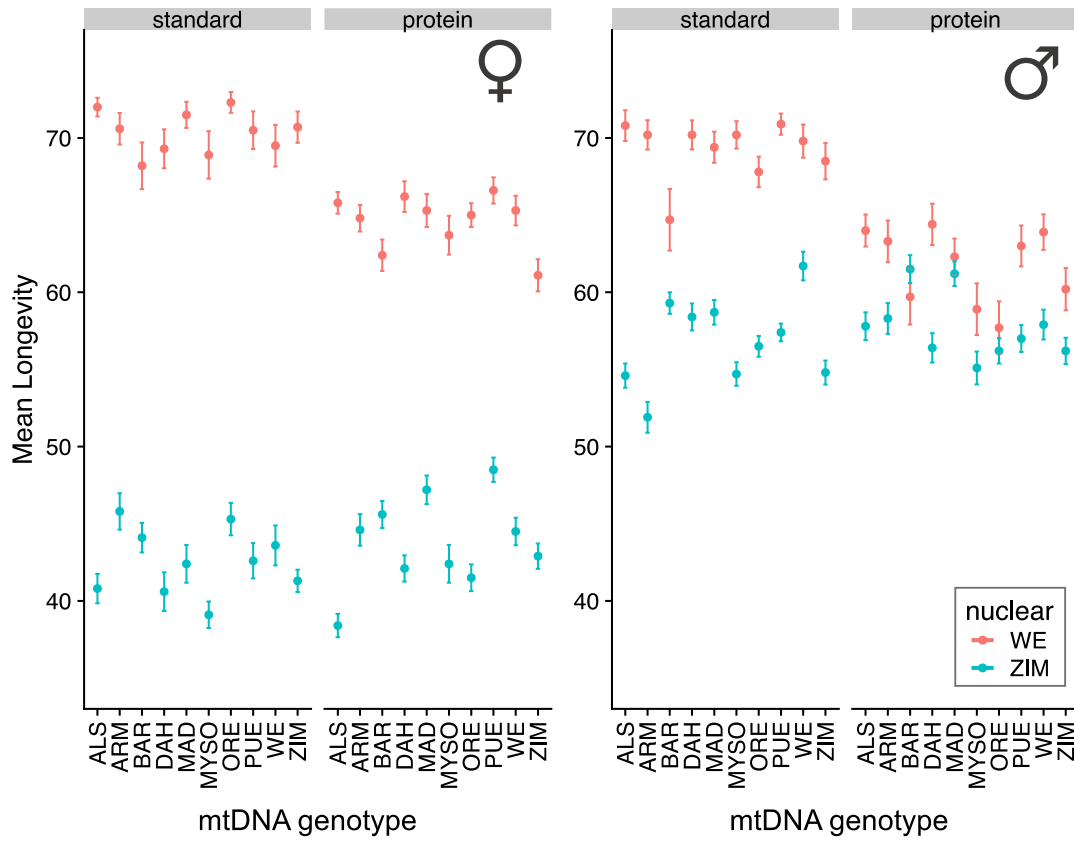
	Df	Deviance	Resid. Df	Resid. Dev	Pr(>Chi)
NULL			399	2411.2	
mito	9	32.12	390	2379.08	< 0.001
nuc	1	1011.18	389	1367.9	< 0.001
diet	1	874	388	493.9	< 0.001
mito × nuc	9	45.61	379	448.29	< 0.001
mito × diet	9	21.6	370	426.69	0.02329
nuc × diet	1	4.52	369	422.16	0.044769
mito × nuc × diet	9	13.47	360	408.69	0.213812

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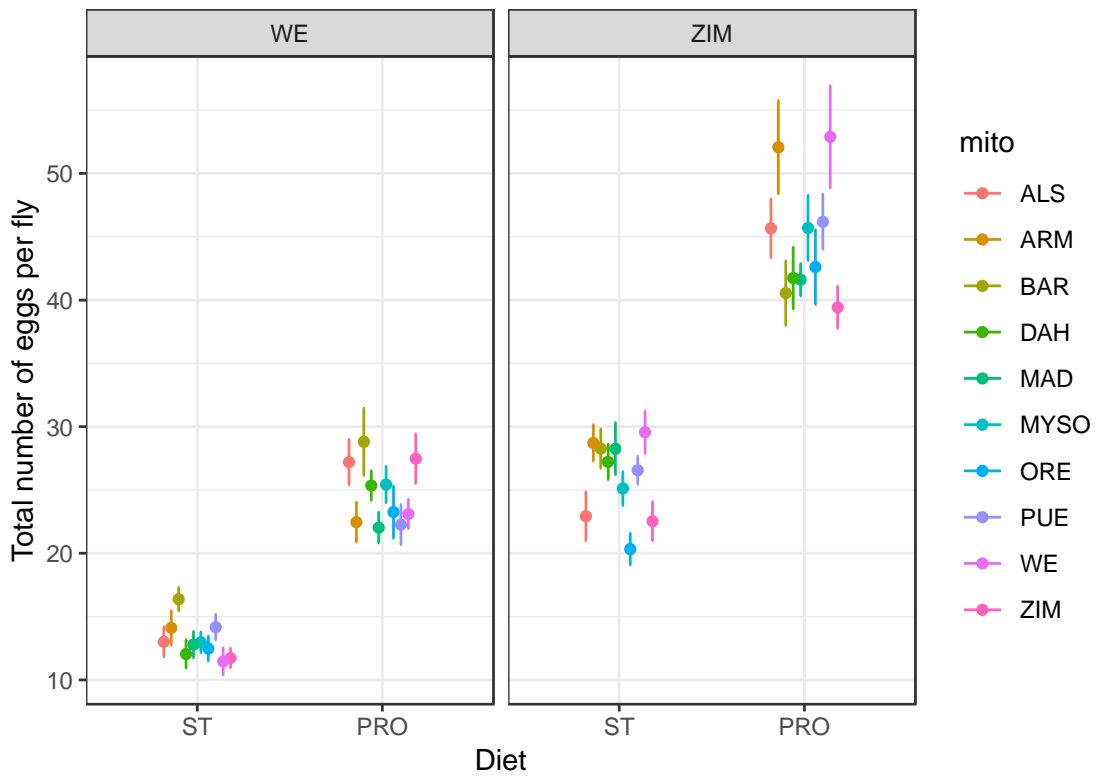


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 542 **Figure 1:** Schematic showing how mitochondrial function might affect resource allocation:
 543 (i) mitonuclear incompatibilities force a shift in resource allocation towards either fecundity
 544 or longevity, giving a negative correlation between these fitness components; or (ii) the null
 545 hypothesis: if mitonuclear incompatibilities undermine mitochondrial function but resource
 546 allocation is unchanged, then both fecundity and longevity would be suppressed, generating a
 547 positive correlation in which better mitochondrial function increases both fecundity and
 548 lifespan.
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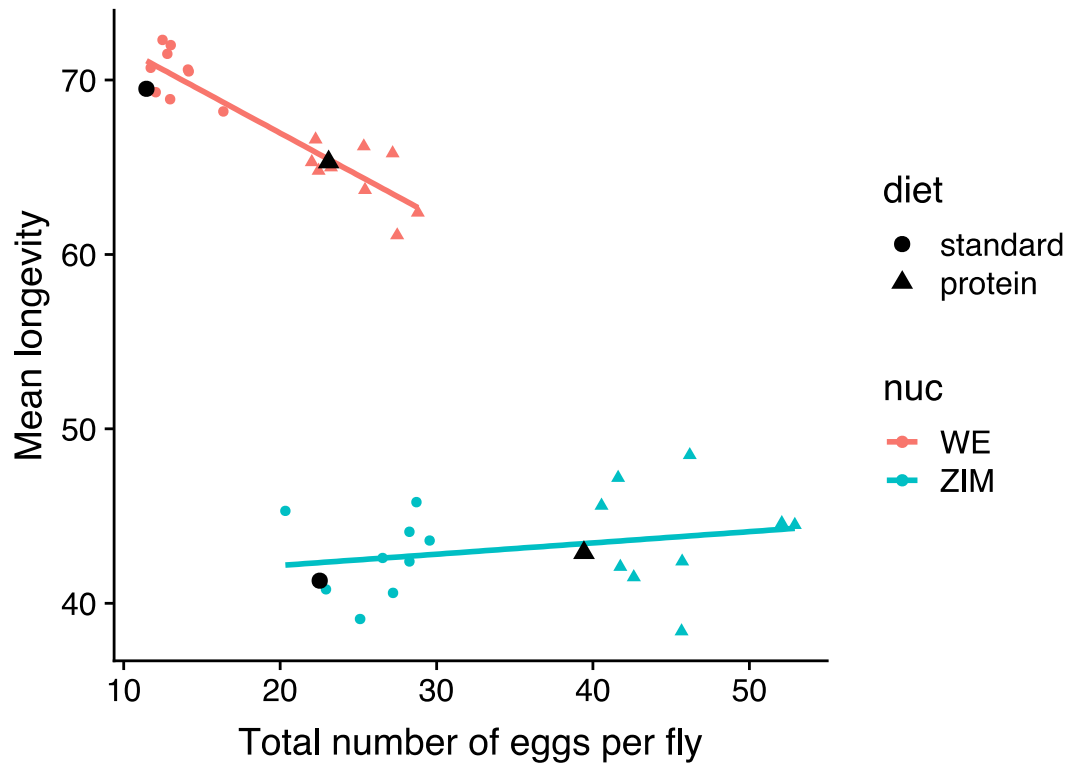
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Figure 2: Mean longevity estimates across all experimental treatments. Female estimates are on the left, and male survival estimates are on the right. Within each sex we show mean longevity for the ZIM (blue) and WE (red) nuclear background for both diet treatments.



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Figure 3: Total number of eggs produced per fly over 5 timepoints. ST = standard diet; PRO = high-protein diet



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Figure 4: Longevity versus fecundity relationship across all treatments. Correlations within each nuclear genotype are highlighted with each datapoint being a mito-nuclear genotype. Black datatypes denote genotypes that are coevolved (WE-WE, ZIM-ZIM).