

# Relative Tolerance of Three Morphotypes of the Anastrepha fraterculus Complex (Diptera: Tephritidae) to Cold Phytosanitary Treatment

Authors: Dias, Vanessa S., Hallman, Guy J., Cardoso, Amanda A. S., Hurtado, Nick V., Rivera, Camilo, et al.

Source: Journal of Economic Entomology, 113(3): 1176-1182

Published By: Entomological Society of America

URL: https://doi.org/10.1093/jee/toaa027

BioOne Complete (complete.BioOne.org) is a full-text database of 200 subscribed and open-access titles in the biological, ecological, and environmental sciences published by nonprofit societies, associations, museums, institutions, and presses.

Your use of this PDF, the BioOne Complete website, and all posted and associated content indicates your acceptance of BioOne's Terms of Use, available at <u>www.bioone.org/terms-of-use</u>.

Usage of BioOne Complete content is strictly limited to personal, educational, and non - commercial use. Commercial inquiries or rights and permissions requests should be directed to the individual publisher as copyright holder.

BioOne sees sustainable scholarly publishing as an inherently collaborative enterprise connecting authors, nonprofit publishers, academic institutions, research libraries, and research funders in the common goal of maximizing access to critical research.

**Commodity Treatment and Quarantine Entomology** 

OXFORD

# Relative Tolerance of Three Morphotypes of the Anastrepha fraterculus Complex (Diptera: Tephritidae) to Cold Phytosanitary Treatment

Vanessa S. Dias,<sup>1,4</sup> Guy J. Hallman,<sup>2</sup> Amanda A. S. Cardoso,<sup>1</sup> Nick V. Hurtado,<sup>1</sup> Camilo Rivera,<sup>1</sup> Florence Maxwell,<sup>1</sup> Carlos E. Cáceres-Barrios,<sup>1</sup> Marc J. B. Vreysen,<sup>1</sup> and Scott W. Myers<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Insect Pest Control Laboratory, Joint FAO/IAEA Division of Nuclear Techniques in Food and Agriculture, IAEA, Wagramerstrasse 5, A-1400 Vienna, Austria, <sup>2</sup>Phytosanitation, 3917 Estancia Drive, Oceanside, CA 92058, <sup>3</sup>USDA, APHIS, PPO, Center for Plant Health Science and Technology, Otis Laboratory 1398 W. Truck Road., Buzzards Bay, MA 02542, and <sup>4</sup>Corresponding author, e-mail: V.Dias@iaea.org; vanessasidias@hotmail.com

Subject Editor: Lisa Neven

Received 8 November 2019; Editorial decision 29 January 2020

### Abstract

The Anastrepha fraterculus (Wiedemann) complex is currently comprised of at least eight morphotypes, including several that are likely to be described as new species. It is critical to evaluate whether the morphotypes differ in tolerance to phytosanitary treatments. Temperatures from 0 to 3°C are used as a phytosanitary treatment for some commodities exported from the region and at risk of infestation by the *A. fraterculus* complex. Description of *A. fraterculus* morphotypes as new species could result in the annulation of phytosanitary treatment schedules for the new species. This study compared the relative cold tolerance of five populations from three morphotypes of the *A. fraterculus* complex: Andean, Peruvian, and Brazilian-1. Both a laboratory and wild strain of the Brazilian-1 morphotype were studied. Differences in mortality of third instars of the five *A. fraterculus* populations reared on nectarines were observed only with short treatment durations at temperatures ranging from 1.38 ± 0.04°C to  $1.51 \pm 0.08°C$  (mean ± SEM). Estimated times to achieve the LT<sub>99.99682</sub> (probit 9) showed that Brazilian-1 wild, Brazilian-1 laboratory, and Cusco population were the most cold tolerant, followed by Andean and Peruvian, the least cold tolerant morphotype (i.e., Brazilian-1 wild = Brazilian-1 laboratory = Cusco population > Andean > Peruvian). These findings suggest that the current cold treatment schedules of 15 d at ≤ 1.11°C and 17 d at ≤ 1.67°C can be applied as cold treatments to any potential new species that may arise from the *A. fraterculus* complex.

Key words: quarantine treatment, postharvest treatment, phytosanitation, South American fruit fly

Cold phytosanitary treatment uses refrigerated air to lower the temperature of the commodity to or below a specific temperature for a specific period to achieve pest mortality at a specified efficacy (IPPC 2018). It is one of the most widely applied phytosanitary measures against tephritid fruit flies and typically consists of temperatures from 0 to 3°C for 15–20 or more days (Heather and Hallman 2008). For instance, cold phytosanitary treatments at 0, 0.56, 1.11, and 1.67°C for 11, 13, 15, and 17 d, respectively, are approved for several fruits against all *Anastrepha* spp. except *Anastrepha* ludens (Loew) (Diptera: Tephritidae) (USDA 2019).

Studies have shown that populations of one of the species covered by these approved cold treatments, *Anastrepha fraterculus* (Wiedemann), can differ substantially at the molecular, genetic, morphological, and behavioral levels (Morgante et al. 1980; Steck 1991; Hernández-Ortiz et al. 2004, 2012, 2015; Yamada and Selivon 2001; Selivon et al. 2004, 2005; Vera et al. 2006; Cáceres et al. 2009; Rull et al. 2013; Devescovi et al. 2014;Dias et al. 2015; Roriz et al. 2019). These studies indicate that the *A. fraterculus* complex is currently comprised of at least eight morphotypes: Andean, Brazilian-1, Brazilian-2, Brazilian-3, Ecuadorian, Mexican, Peruvian, and Venezuelan that are likely to be described as new species (Hernández-Ortiz et al. 2004, 2012, 2015).

Considering the taxonomic instability of the *A. fraterculus* complex, it is essential to test whether the South American morphotypes differ in cold tolerance to anticipate the use of cold phytosanitary treatment against any of them. This is particularly important considering that the data supporting a cold treatment of the nominal species *A. fraterculus* were only gathered from

This is an Open Access article distributed under the terms of the Creative Commons Attribution Non-Commercial License (http://creativecommons.org/ licenses/by-nc/4.0/), which permits non-commercial re-use, distribution, and reproduction in any medium, provided the original work is properly cited. For commercial re-use, please contact journals.permissions@oup.com

<sup>©</sup> The Author(s) 2020. Published by Oxford University Press on behalf of Entomological Society of America.

one morphotype, Brazilian-1 (Willink et al. 2006). One study was done with the Andean morphotype (Valderrama et al. 2005), but it might be insufficient to support a treatment schedule if the Andean morphotype was considered a new species.

Besides the uncertainty associated with a potential genetic variation on cold tolerance among populations of the same species, physical and biological factors, such as cool-down rate, temperature fluctuation, variation in research methodology, and host type, may affect tolerance to cold treatments (Heather and Hallman 2008, Gazit et al. 2014, Hallman et al. 2019a). Thus, it is critical to evaluate the extent to which fruit fly populations of the same or distinct species differ in cold tolerance under the same methodological conditions. This research can appropriately be done using the unique resources of the Insect Pest Control Laboratory (IPCL) of the Joint FAO/IAEA Division of Nuclear Techniques in Food and Agriculture at Seibersdorf, Austria, where like studies have previously solved problems confronting phytosanitary decisions (Hallman et al. 2013, 2019a,b). The objective of this study was to determine if morphotypes of the A. fraterculus complex differ in tolerance to phytosanitary cold treatment.

# **Materials and Methods**

#### Insects

Five populations from three known morphotypes of the A. fraterculus complex were used in our study (Table 1). Experiments were carried out using the same colony without the addition of wild flies during the period of the cold treatments. Colonies were maintained at the IPCL with voucher specimens from all morphotypes periodically collected and deposited at the IPCL. Rearing of laboratory adapted strains (all except Brazilian-1 wild) consisted of routinely collecting and transferring eggs to an artificial diet, followed by pupariation and adult maintenance. Females laid eggs in a silicon sealed oviposition device containing tap water placed on the top of the adult cage. The oviposition device consisted of a Petri dish (13.9 cm) containing an inner hole (11.4 cm) covered with white voile mesh, previously coated with a thin layer of black silicone sealant (Den Braven, The Netherlands). Eggs laid into the oviposition device were collected with a pipette (3 ml) and transferred to an artificial diet based on carrot powder and torula yeast (Tanaka et al. 1970, Rempoulakis et al. 2014). Larvae were held in diet trays (19 × 30 × 2 cm) wrapped with plastic film for 3 d. After incubation, diet trays with larvae were placed into plastic trays  $(33 \times 46 \times 12 \text{ cm})$  containing sawdust (GOLDSPANsmoke, Germany) until pupation  $(12 \pm 1 d)$ . The rearing protocol of the wild population from Tucumán (Castelar strain) consisted of mango infestation for 48 h, incubation of infested mangoes into plastic containers  $(20 \times 20 \times 14 \text{ cm})$  containing sawdust, and pupae collection after 15-20 d. Puparia from laboratory and wild strains were transferred to screen-mesh cages  $(45 \times 45 \times 45 \text{ cm})$ , followed by adult emergence. Adults from each A. fraterculus morphotype were maintained into different screen-mesh cages with free access to water and dry diet (3 sucrose: 1 hydrolyzed yeast). All insects were reared under laboratory conditions at  $25 \pm 0.5$  °C,  $65 \pm$ 5% relative humidity, and 14L:10D photoperiod.

#### Fruit Infestation

Mandarins (*Citrus reticulata* Blanco) from Israel and Spain and nectarines (*Prunus persica* (L.) Batsch var. *nucipersica* Schneid) from Italy and Spain were exposed to sexually mature A. *fraterculus* females for oviposition. To prevent fruit contamination and larval mortality due to fungi infection, apparently by *Penicillium* sp. and

Rhizopus sp., multiple sanitization measures were applied before and after infestation. Before infestation, fruits were washed, rinsed, soaked for 15 min in antifungal solution (4% sodium benzoate), and rerinsed. Natural infestation consisted of placing 7-10 presanitized fruits in an elevated galvanized steel-mesh platform (~11 cm high) into a screen-mesh cage  $(45 \times 45 \times 45 \text{ cm})$  containing 1,000-3,500 sexually mature male and female flies. Females from all A. fraterculus morphotypes reached sexual maturity approximately 2-3 wk after adult emergence under the holding conditions described above. Infestation time ranged from 2 to 6 h depending on the fly age and density in the cages. After infestation, a second sanitization round was applied to all infested fruits to prevent fungi growth and development. Infested fruits were soaked for 15 min in antifungal solution (4% sodium benzoate), rinsed, and dried for immediate biometric screening. Following the resanitization procedures after infestation, each fruit was weighted using a digital balance (model IS 32001, VRW, Italy) and its perimeter measured. Subsequently, infested mandarins ( $\bar{X}_{weight}$  = 105.6 g ± 1.1,  $\bar{X}_{perimeter}$  = 19.9 cm ± 0.05) and nectarines ( $\bar{X}_{weight}$  = 148.7 g ± 0.6,  $\bar{X}_{perimeter} = 20.7 \text{ cm} \pm 0.03$ ) were individually placed into plastic containers  $(9.5 \times 9.5 \times 11.5 \text{ cm})$  and incubated at 25°C for up to 10 d until the larvae reached the third instar, considered the most cold tolerant stage of the nominal species A. fraterculus (Willink et al. 2006). Natural infestation rates varied among fruits and between replicates across all treatment durations assessed during the cold treatments, an aspect that increases the robustness of the results (Mangan and Hallman 1998, Hallman et al. 2019a).

#### ColdTreatment of Infested Fruit

The cold treatment tests of infested nectarines were carried out in a 2 m<sup>3</sup> environmental chamber (model SE-2000–4, Thermotron Industries, Holland, MI). Airflow within the chamber was approximately 28.3 m<sup>3</sup>/min. For all treatments, the chamber temperature was set to 0.7°C to achieve target fruit pulp temperatures of 1.7°C or below. The treatment temperature complies with current USDA treatment schedules for the control of *Anastrepha* spp., except *A. ludens*, associated with consignments of nectarines (i.e., T107-a-1, USDA 2019). Fruit, water, and air temperatures inside the environmental chamber were recorded every 15 min using two external four-channel analog data loggers (HOBO UX120-06M, Onset Computer Inc., USA) with four temperature sensors (TMCx-HD, Onset Computer Inc., USA) each. The treatment time was started when two sensors inserted into noninfested nectarines reached  $\leq$  1.7°C.

After cold treatment, nectarines were held at  $25 \pm 1^{\circ}$ C for at least 24 h before dissection to allow enough time for larval recovery. Untreated controls were also held at  $25 \pm 1^{\circ}$ C for at least 24 h from the time the treated nectarines were placed into the cold chamber. Any moving larvae found during fruit dissection were considered survivors. Nonmoving larvae, regardless of their coloration, were considered dead. A minimum of five replicates with several fruits were performed for each treatment duration. The total number of third instars treated for each treatment duration ranged from 982 to 5,967 due to either uneven infestation rates or unbalanced replicates.

#### **Statistical Analysis**

Infestation rates (number of larvae/fruit) were compared between hosts and morphotypes within each host using generalized linear models with Poisson distribution. Survival was analyzed using a generalized linear model with binomial responses. Considering that all insects responded equally (e.g., 100% mortality) to some cold

Morphotype	Collection site	Host	Generation*
Andean	Ibagué, Colombia	Coffea arabica	F-56
Brazilian-1	Tucumán, Argentina (laboratory strain)	Psidium guajava	F-35
Brazilian-1	Tucumán, Argentina (wild strain)	Psidium guajava	F-02
Unknown	Cusco, Peru	Unknown	F-46
Peruvian	La Molina, Peru	Annona cherimola	F-65

Table 1. Origin and collection information for the three known morphotypes of the A. fraterculus complex used in cold treatment experiments

\*Tests were carried out across four consecutive generations.

treatments, the bias reduction correction developed by Firth (1993) was applied to improve the estimates of the model coefficients and avoid underestimation of standard errors (Kosmidis and Firth 2010, Kosmidis 2014, Kosmidis et al. 2020). Duration of the cold treatment (dose), morphotype, and their interaction were modeled as fixed effects. The statistical significance of the fixed effects and their interaction were determined using likelihood ratio tests with type III sums of squares. Post hoc pairwise comparisons of estimated marginal means between the levels of cold treatment and morphotype were performed with Bonferroni adjustment (Holm 1979). A probit model with adjustment for overdispersion was used to estimate the lethal time (LT) of cold exposure to achieve 50, 99.9 and 99.99682% (probit 9) mortality for each A. fraterculus morphotype and their fiducial limits at 95% confidence interval (CI). Data from unexposed insects were also included in the probit model. The LT values were then compared between morphotypes using lethal dose ratio tests. Statistical analyses were performed in R (version 3.6.1) using the brglm2 (Kosmids 2019), emmeans (Lenth 2019), drc (Ritz et al. 2015), and multcomp (Hothorn et al. 2008) packages.

#### Results

Infestation rates were consistently lower in mandarins than in nectarines, indicating the preference of *A. fraterculus* females for nectarines ( $\chi^2 = 21,699$ ; df = 1; *P* < 0.0001, Table 2). Due to the low number of mandarins infested, only naturally infested nectarines were exposed to cold treatments.

Mortality of third instars from three morphotypes of the A. fraterculus complex infesting nectarines exposed or unexposed (controls) to cold treatments below  $1.7^{\circ}$ C, precisely  $1.38 \pm 0.04^{\circ}$ C (mean ± SEM, treatments with Andean, Brazilian-1 laboratory, Cusco population, and Peruvian) and 1.51 ± 0.08°C (mean ± SEM, treatments with Brazilian-1 wild), from 3 to 17 d is shown in Table 3. As expected, larval mortality increased significantly with duration of cold treatment (dose:  $\chi^2 = 17,198$ ; df = 4; *P* < 0.0001). Morphotypes of the A. fraterculus complex responded differently to cold treatment. Third instars from Cusco population, Andean, and Peruvian morphotypes were more susceptible to cold treatments than the Brazilian-1 (laboratory and wild) morphotype (morphotype:  $\chi^2 = 83$ ; df = 4; P < 0.0001), particularly at sublethal doses. Brazilian-1 wild was the most cold-tolerant of all morphotypes in treatments of 8 and 9 d, and Brazilian-1 laboratory was more tolerant than Andean, Cusco population, and Peruvian after 8 d of treatment (dose × morphotype:  $\chi^2 = 411$ ; df = 16; P < 0.0001). However, no difference in mortality was found among A. fraterculus morphotypes at 10 and 15 d of cold treatment (Table 3). Interestingly, infested nectarines exposed to cold treatments for 15 d yielded no survivors for all A. fraterculus morphotypes, except for Brazilian-1 wild, in which one survivor was found. While this survivor was moving, and,

thus, was counted as alive, it died as a coarctate larva and did not survive to the adult stage. No moving larva was found among the 1,758 third instars from Brazilian-1 wild exposed to 10 d of cold treatment. Increasing the duration of cold treatment to 17 d for nectarines infested by Brazilian-1 wild yielded no survivors among the 3,416 larvae treated (Table 3).

Comparisons of LT estimates for 50, 99.9, and 99.99682% (probit 9) mortality at 95% CI show significant differences between *A. fraterculus* morphotypes (Table 4). The estimated  $LT_{50}$  values for Brazilian-1 wild and Brazilian-1 laboratory were the highest among all morphotypes, followed by Peruvian, Andean, and Cusco population (i.e., Brazilian-1 wild = Brazilian-1 laboratory > Peruvian = Andean > Cusco population). At the 99.9% level of control, Brazilian-1 (wild and laboratory) was the most cold-tolerant morphotype followed by Cusco population, Andean, and Peruvian, the least cold-tolerant morphotype (i.e., Brazilian-1 wild = Brazilian-1 lab > Cusco population = Andean > Peruvian). At the 99.99682 % level of control, Brazilian-1 wild, Brazilian-1 laboratory, and Cusco population were the most cold-tolerant, followed by Andean and Peruvian, the least cold-tolerant morphotype (i.e., Brazilian-1 wild = Brazilian-1 laboratory, and Cusco population were the most cold-tolerant, followed by Andean and Peruvian, the least cold-tolerant morphotype (i.e., Brazilian-1 wild = Brazilian-1 laboratory and Cusco population were the most cold-tolerant, followed by Andean and Peruvian, the least cold-tolerant morphotype (i.e., Brazilian-1 wild = Brazilian-1 laboratory = Cusco population > Andean > Peruvian).

Cool down time was  $240 \pm 39$  min (mean  $\pm$  SE) for noninfested fruit. Infested nectarines were treated at temperatures of  $1.38 \pm 0.04^{\circ}$ C to  $1.51 \pm 0.08^{\circ}$ C (mean  $\pm$  SEM) for 3, 8, 9, 10, 15 (all morphotypes), and 17 d (Brazilian-1/wild). Temperatures (mean  $\pm$  SD) recorded in thermocouples across blocks are summarized for noninfested nectarines, water, and air in Supplementary Tables S1–S4.

#### Discussion

The results of our study provide evidence that phytosanitary cold treatment against third instars of the Brazilian-1 morphotype (aka Anastrepha sp. 1 aff. fraterculus) can also be applied against the Cusco population, Andean, and Peruvian (aka Anastrepha sp. 4 aff. fraterculus) morphotypes of the A. fraterculus complex. Third instars of the three A. fraterculus morphotypes evaluated in our study differed in their mortality only with short treatment durations at  $1.38 \pm$ 0.04°C and 1.51 ± 0.08°C (mean ± SEM). Brazilian-1 wild was more tolerant than all A. fraterculus morphotypes in cold treatments of 8 and 9 d. Cusco population, Andean, and Peruvian morphotypes were more susceptible to cold treatment of 8 d than Brazilian-1 laboratory. In contrast, no significant differences in acute mortality of third instars were found among the A. fraterculus morphotypes after cold treatment durations of 10 and 15 d. Considering the estimated lethal times (LTs) to achieve 99.99682 % (probit 9) efficacy, no differences were found in Brazilian-1 wild (LT =  $13.67 \pm 0.72$  d), Brazilian-1 laboratory (LT =  $13.30 \pm 0.43$  d), and Cusco population  $(LT = 12.84 \pm 0.62 d)$ , but they were significantly different from

Host	Morphotype or population	Total no. of infested fruit	Total no. of noninfested fruit	No. larvae/fruit (mean ± SE)
Mandarin	Andean	27	330	6 ± 1
	Brazilian-1 lab.	56	363	5 ± 1
	Cusco	26	310	$10 \pm 1$
	Peruvian	43	270	18 ± 1
Nectarine	Andean	276	11	$125 \pm 6$
	Brazilian-1 lab.	279	9	127 ± 7
	Brazilian-1 wild	322	30	54 ± 3
	Cusco	248	14	117 ± 7
	Peruvian	265	16	131 ± 7

 Table 2. Number of infested and noninfested fruits after being exposed to sexually mature females of morphotypes of the A. fraterculus complex and their infestation rates (larvae/fruit)

Andean (LT =  $11.63 \pm 0.37$  d) and Peruvian (LT =  $9.83 \pm 0.33$  d) that also differed from each other. The LT estimates of such extreme level of control against one of the most cold tolerant *A. fraterculus* morphotype, apparently Brazulian-1 wild, indicate that 99.99682% efficacy could be achieved with a treatment schedule of less than 15 d at temperatures below  $1.7^{\circ}$ C.

Although the results from previous studies evaluating the cold tolerance of A. fraterculus populations cannot be directly compared because of critical methodological differences (e.g., LT estimates and target temperature), they share a few similarities with our findings. Depending on the citrus species and variety, the LT<sub>s0</sub> estimates for fruits artificially infested with third instars of an Argentinean population (Tucumán) treated at temperatures below 2°C ranged from 1.13 to 7.94 d (Willink et al. 2006). Even though our results are based on naturally infested nectarines treated at temperatures below 1.67°C, the LT<sub>so</sub> estimates from Brazilian-1 wild (LT =  $4.74 \pm 0.04$  d) and Brazilian-1 laboratory (LT = 4.62 ± 0.05 d) from Tucumán are within the range reported by Willink et al. (2006). For A. fraterculus populations from Colombia, no survivors were found in feijoa, Acca sellowiana (O.Berg) Burret, artificially infested with third instars after 8 d treatment at 1.1°C (Valderrama et al. 2005). Similarly, we also found no survivors on treatments of third instars (5,418 larvae) of the Andean morphotype from Ibagué for 8 d at 1.38 ± 0.04°C (mean ± SEM).

Unlike Myers et al. (2016) and Hallman et al. (2019a) that found no significant differences in cold tolerance among B. dorsalis (Hendel) (Diptera: Tephritidae) and Ceratitis capitata (Wiedemann) (Diptera: Tephritidae) populations, respectively, the A. fraterculus morphotypes evaluated in our study differed significantly in their cold tolerance at sublethal doses and LT estimates to achieve either 99.9 or 99.99682% levels of control. Curiously, the findings from these comparative studies correlate well with the taxonomic status of the group evaluated. For instance, the four B. dorsalis populations evaluated by Myers et al. (2016) were considered different species before the formal taxonomic revision that led to the synonymization of Bactrocera invadens, Bactrocera papayae, and Bactrocera philippinensis with Bactrocera dorsalis (Schutze et al. 2015a,b). For the A. fraterculus complex, however, the differences on cold tolerance among morphotypes reported in our study correlate with the taxonomic uncertainty within the group (Hendrichs et al. 2015, Schutze et al. 2017). That is, contrary to the similar response to cold treatments found in studies with populations from the same species (Myers et al. 2016, Hallman et al. 2019a), the differences in cold tolerance and infestation rates among morphotypes of the A. fraterculus complex reported here further suggest that some of these populations may belong to different species.

The greater susceptibility of the laboratory domesticated populations of *A. fraterculus* reared on artificial diet to cold treatments of 8 and 9 d relative to Tucumán/wild, a wild collected strain

reared on fruit, should not be ignored. Furthermore, Tucumán/ wild was the only population in our study in which a single larva (out of 3,865) survived to the treatment duration of 15 d but did not pupariate (temperature details for Block 2 in Supplementary Table S2). The influence of laboratory domestication and artificial diet on cold tolerance in tephritid fruit flies is unknown, particularly in the context of phytosanitary treatments (Mangan and Hallman 1998). Nevertheless, basic research with non-pest insects suggests that both laboratory domestication and diet composition have the potential to reduce cold-stress tolerance. For instance, inbreeding decreased the evolutionary potential of the tropical butterfly, Bicyclus anynana (Butler) (Lepidoptera: Nymphalidae), and, consequently, reduced its ability to respond to selection for increased cold stress resistance in a tolerance assay of 1°C for 19 h (Dierks et al. 2012). In Drosophila melanogaster (Meigen) (Diptera: Drosophilidae), a high dietary sugar intake in larvae and adults increased mortality 24 h after a treatment of 0°C for 16 h (Colinet et al. 2013). It remains to be determined, however, whether similar responses can be observed in tephritid fruit flies after the long periods of cold exposure required by phytosanitary cold treatments.

Besides laboratory domestication and larval diet, another important research aspect to consider while proposing generic cold treatments is host suitability. Usually, third instars reared in poor hosts are more susceptible to phytosanitary cold treatments than larvae reared in suitable hosts (De Lima et al. 2007, Gazit et al. 2014). For example, the durations of cold treatment schedules of 3°C or below against *C. capitata* are 23 continuous days for *Citrus paradisi* Macfad (IPPC 2017a), 20 continuous days for *Citrus sinensis* (IPPC 2017b) and *Citrus reticulata* × *Citrus sinensis* (L.) Osbeck (IPPC 2017c), and just 18 continuous days for the conditional host *Citrus limon* (L.) Osbeck (IPPC 2017d). We have accounted for host suitability by using nectarine, a suitable host for all morphotypes of the *A. fraterculus* complex evaluated in our study.

Our findings suggest that the schedules T107-a-1 and T107-c (i.e., 15 d at  $\leq$  1.11°C or 17 d at  $\leq$  1.67°C, USDA 2019) can be applied as cold treatments to any new species that may arise from the *A. fraterculus* complex. The development of broadly applicable (generic) phytosanitary treatments does not require systematic testing against all pest species of a group (Hallman et al. 2010). The schedule T107-a-1 used for *C. capitata* and *Anastrepha* spp. (excluding *A. ludens*) to treat 18 fruits, for example, was established without evaluating all quarantine species of the genus *Anastrepha* nor efficacy on all the 18 fruits. We reinforce that the use of broadly applicable phytosanitary treatments against members of cryptic species complexes constitutes a proactive strategy to prevent agricultural trade barriers and ensure plant health protection in case of new species arise from these complexes.

Treatment duration (days)	Morphotype or population	No. of replicates	Total no. of treated fruit	Total no. of treated larvae	Total no. of live larvae	No. larvae per fruit (mean ± SE)	Mortality (mean ± SE) <sup>a</sup>
0	Andean	15	58	8,325	8,081	$144 \pm 14$	5.61 ± 2.42 AB
	Brazilian-1 lab.	13	58	8,136	8,013	$140 \pm 18$	4.28 ± 1.36 C
	Brazilian-1 wild	6	57	2,448	2,329	$43 \pm 5$	4.03 ± 1.55 C
	Cusco	14	53	7,327	7,052	$138 \pm 14$	$7.62 \pm 2.60  \text{A}$
	Peruvian	16	57	7,372	7,209	$129 \pm 15$	$5.39 \pm 2.36$ B
3b	Andean	4	23	3,339	2,474	$145 \pm 21$	$44.01 \pm 7.10$
	Brazilian-1 lab.	4	14	1,851	1,141	$132 \pm 27$	$40.47 \pm 7.57$
	Brazilian-1 wild	5	26	982	680	$38 \pm 5$	$36.20 \pm 5.25$
	Cusco	4	16	1,960	1,129	$122 \pm 24$	$47.44 \pm 7.14$
	Peruvian	4	20	2,711	2,185	$136 \pm 22$	$29.39 \pm 6.01$
Sb	Andean	9	41	5,572	859	$136 \pm 16$	$88.79 \pm 3.08$
	Brazilian-1 lab.	7	45	5,551	2,113	$116 \pm 13$	$64.33 \pm 3.63$
	Brazilian-1 wild	5	26	1,577	663	$61 \pm 12$	$53.00 \pm 5.65$
	Cusco	5	36	3,180	406	$88 \pm 15$	$87.10 \pm 4.10$
	Peruvian	9	38	3,185	372	$84 \pm 11$	$85.31 \pm 3.94$
8	Andean	8	41	5,418	0	$132 \pm 15$	$100.00 \pm 0.00$ A
	Brazilian-1 lab.	8	41	4,951	134	$121 \pm 17$	$96.16 \pm 2.57$ B
	Brazilian-1 wild	5	29	2,010	44	$69 \pm 10$	94.25 ± 2.80 C
	Cusco	7	37	2,842	1	$77 \pm 15$	$99.98 \pm 0.02  \text{A}$
	Peruvian	~	38	5,415	0	$143 \pm 22$	$100.00 \pm 0.00 \mathrm{A}$
6	Andean	8	36	4,305	0	$120 \pm 17$	$100.00 \pm 0.00 \mathrm{A}$
	Brazilian-1 lab.	8	41	5,089	16	$124 \pm 18$	$99.77 \pm 0.15 \mathrm{A}$
	Brazilian-1 wild	4	22	1,480	17	$67 \pm 10$	$99.15 \pm 0.00 \text{ B}$
	Cusco	8	36	3,918	0	$109 \pm 17$	$100.00 \pm 0.00 \mathrm{A}$
	Peruvian	8	37	5,618	0	$152 \pm 21$	$100.00 \pm 0.00$ A
10	Andean	8	36	3,880	0	$108 \pm 15$	$100.00 \pm 0.00 \mathrm{A}$
	Brazilian-1 lab.	8	42	5,967	0	$142 \pm 25$	$100.00 \pm 0.00 \mathrm{A}$
	Brazilian-1 wild	9	42	1,758	0	42 ± 6	$100.00 \pm 0.00$ A
	Cusco	8	33	4,645	0	$141 \pm 21$	$100.00 \pm 0.00 \mathrm{A}$
	Peruvian	8	35	4,975	0	$142 \pm 21$	$100.00 \pm 0.00 \mathrm{A}$
15	Andean	8	41	3,641	0	89 ± 12	$100.00 \pm 0.00 \mathrm{A}$
	Brazilian-1 lab.	8	38	4,238	0	$112 \pm 15$	$100.00 \pm 0.00 \mathrm{A}$
	Brazilian-1 wild	9	62	3,865	1	$62 \pm 8$	$99.98 \pm 0.02  \text{A}$
	Cusco	8	37	5,179	0	$140 \pm 19$	$100.00 \pm 0.00 \mathrm{A}$
	Peruvian	8	40	5,366	0	$134 \pm 19$	$100.00 \pm 0.00 \mathrm{A}$
17 <sup>b</sup>	Brazilian-1 wild	4	58	3,416	0	59 ± 7	$100.00 \pm 0.00$

		LT* (95% fiducial limits) in days	
Morphotype or Population	LT <sub>50</sub>	LT <sub>99.9</sub>	LT <sub>99.99682</sub> (probit 9)
Andean	3.66 (3.59, 3.73) B	8.94 (8.73, 9.16) B	11.63 (11.26, 12.00) B
Brazilian-1 lab.	4.62 (4.58, 4.67) C	10.46 (10.21, 10.71) D	13.30 (12.87, 13.73) A
Brazilian-1 wild	4.74 (4.70, 4.77) C	10.74 (10.33, 11.15) D	13.67 (12.95, 14.36) A
Cusco	3.26 (3.15, 3.38) A	9.41 (9.07, 9.76) AB	12.84 (12.22, 13.47) A
Peruvian	3.71 (3.69, 3.74) B	7.88 (7.68, 8.08) C	9.83 (9.50, 10.15) C

**Table 4.** Probit model estimates and 95% fiducial limits of days cold treatment at  $1.38 \pm 0.04$ °C and  $1.51 \pm 0.08$ °C (mean  $\pm$  SEM) required to produce 50%, 99.9%, and 99.9968% mortality of third instars in nectarines

\*Lethal time (LTs followed by different letters indicate statistical significance, lethal dose ratio tests, P < 0.05).

## **Supplementary Material**

Supplementary data are available at *Journal of Economic Entomology* online.

#### Acknowledgments

We thank Nelson Canal (Universidad del Tolima, Colombia) and Teresa Vera (Facultad de Agronomía y Zootecnia/UNT, Argentina) for providing pupae for the experiments. We thank Melissa Warden (USDA-APHIS, USA) for statistical support with the probit model. This project was supported by the USDA Farm Bill Program.

# **References Cited**

- Cáceres, C., D. F. Segura, M. T. Vera, V. Wornoayporn, J. L. Cladera, P. Teal, P. Sapountzis, K. Bourtzis, A. Zacharopoulou, and A. S. Robinson. 2009. Incipient speciation revealed in *Anastrepha fraterculus* (Diptera; Tephritidae) by studies on mating compatibility, sex pheromones, hybridization, and cytology. Biol. J. Linn. Soc. 97: 152–165.
- Colinet H., V. Larvor, R. Bical, and D. Renault. 2013. Dietary sugars affect cold tolerance of *Drosophila melanogaster*. Metabolomics 9: 608–622.
- De Lima, C. P. F., A. J. Jessup, L. Cruickshank, C. J. Walsh, and E. R. Mansfield. 2007. Cold disinfestation of citrus (*Citrus spp.*) for Mediterranean fruit fly (*Ceratitis capitata*) and Queensland fruit fly (*Bactrocera tryoni*) (Diptera: Tephritidae). N. Z. J. Crop Hortic. Sci. 35: 39–50.
- Devescovi, F., S. Abraham, A. K. P. Roriz, N. Nolazco, R. Castaneda, E. Tadeo, C. Cáceres, D. F. Segura, M. T. Vera, I. S. Joachim-Bravo, *et al.* 2014. Ongoing speciation within the *Anastrepha fraterculus* cryptic species complex: the case of the Andean morphotype. Entomol Exp Appl. 152: 238–247.
- Dias, V. S., J. G. Silva, K. M. Lima, C. S. C. D. Petitinga, V. Hernández-Ortiz, R. A. Laumann, B. J. Paranhos, K. Uramoto, R. A. Zucchi, and I. S. Joachim-Bravo. 2015. An integrative multidisciplinary approach to understanding cryptic divergence in Brazilian species of the *Anastrepha fraterculus* complex (Diptera: tephritidae). Biol. J. Linn. Soc. 117: 725–746.
- Dierks, A., B. Baumann, and K. Fischer. 2012. Response to selection on cold tolerance is constrained by inbreeding. Evolution. 66: 2384–2398.
- Firth, D. 1993. Bias reduction of maximum likelihood estimates. Biometrika 80: 27–38.
- Gazit, Y., R. Akiva, and S. Gavriel. 2014. Cold tolerance of the Mediterranean fruit fly in date and Mandarin. J. Econ. Entomol. 107: 1745–1750.
- Hallman, G. J., N. M. Levang-Brilz, J. L. Zettler, and I. C. Winborne. 2010. Factors affecting ionizing radiation phytosanitary treatments, and implications for research and generic treatments. J. Econ. Entomol. 103: 1950–1963.
- Hallman, G. J., S. W. Myers, M. F. El-Wakkad, M. D. Tadrous, and A. J. Jessup. 2013. Development of phytosanitary cold treatments for oranges infested with *Bactrocera invadens* and *Bactrocera zonata* (Diptera: tephritidae) by comparison with existing cold treatment schedules for *Ceratitis capitata* (Diptera: tephritidae). J. Econ. Entomol. 106: 1608–1612.

- Hallman, G. J., L. Wang, G. Demirbas Uzel, E. Cancio-Martinez, C. E. Cáceres-Barrios, S. W. Myers, and M. J. B. Vreysen. 2019a. Comparison of Populations of *Ceratitis capitata* (Diptera: tephritidae) from Three Continents for Susceptibility to Cold Phytosanitary Treatment and Implications for Generic Cold Treatments. J. Econ. Entomol. 112: 127–133.
- Hallman, G. J., L. C. Wang, F. Maxwell, C. E. Cáceres Barrios, M. J. B. Vreysen, and S. W. Myers. 2019b. Comparison of three populations of *Bactrocera dorsalis* for efficacy of vapor heat treatment in mangoes. Fla. Entomol. 101: 219–222.
- Heather, N. W., and G. J. Hallman. 2008. Pest management and phytosanitary trade barriers. CABI, Oxfordshire, UK.
- Hendrichs, J., T. Vera, M. De Meyer, and A. Clarke. 2015. Resolving cryptic species complexes of major tephritid pests. ZooKeys 540: 5–39.
- Hernández-Ortiz, V., J. A. Gómez-Anaya, A. Sánchez, B. A. McPheron, and M. Aluja. 2004. Morphometric analysis of Mexican and South American populations of the *Anastrepha fraterculus* complex (Diptera: Tephritidae) and recognition of a distinct Mexican morphotype. Bull. Entomol. Res. 94: 487–499.
- Hernández-Ortiz, V., A. F. Bartolucci, P. Morales-Valles, D. Frias, and D. Selivon. 2012. Cryptic species of the Anastrepha fraterculus Complex (Diptera: Tephritidae): a multivariate approach for the recognition of South American morphotypes. Ann. Entomol. Soc. Am. 105: 305–318.
- Hernández-Ortiz, V., N. A. Canal, J. O. Tigrero Salas, F. M. Ruíz-Hurtado, and J. F. Dzul-Cauich. 2015. Taxonomy and phenotypic relationships of the *Anastrepha fraterculus* complex in the Mesoamerican and Pacific Neotropical dominions (Diptera, Tephritidae). ZooKeys 540:95–124.
- Holm S. 1979. A simple sequentially rejective multiple test procedure. Scand. J. Stat. 6: 65–70.
- Hothorn, T., F. Bretz, and P. Westfall. 2008. Simultaneous inference in general parametric models. Biom. J. 50: 346–363.
- International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC). 2017a. ISPM # 28, Phytosanitary treatments for regulated pests, Annex 27, Cold treatment for *Ceratitis capitata on Citrus paradisi*. Food and Agricultural Organization, Rome, Italy.
- International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC). 2017b. ISPM # 28, Phytosanitary treatments for regulated pests, Annex 24, Cold treatment for *Ceratitis capitata on Citrus sinensis*. Food and Agricultural Organization, Rome, Italy.
- International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC). 2017c. ISPM # 28, Phytosanitary treatments for regulated pests, Annex 25, Cold treatment for *Ceratitis capitata on Citrus reticulata* × *C. sinensis*. Food and Agricultural Organization, Rome, Italy.
- International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC). 2017d. ISPM # 28, Phytosanitary treatments for regulated pests, Annex 26, Cold treatment for *Ceratitis capitata on Citrus limon*. Food and Agricultural Organization, Rome, Italy.
- International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC). 2018. ISPM # 42, Requirements for the use of temperature treatments as phytosanitary measures. Food and Agricultural Organization, Rome, Italy.
- Kosmidis I., and D. Firth. 2010. A generic algorithm for reducing bias in parametric estimation. Elect. J. Stat. 4: 1097–1112.

- Kosmidis, I. 2014. Bias in parametric estimation: reduction and useful sideeffects. WIREs. Comput. Stat. 6: 185–196.
- Kosmidis, I. 2019. brglm2: bias reduction in generalized linear models. R package version 0.5.1. https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=brglm2 (accessed 28 August 2019).
- Kosmidis, I., E. C. Kenne Pagui, and N. Sartori. 2020. Mean and median bias reduction in generalized linear models. Stat. Comput. 30: 43–59.
- Lenth, R. 2019. emmeans: Estimated marginal means, aka least-squares means. R package version1.3.5.1. https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=emmeans (accessed 12 September 2019).
- Mangan, R. L., and G. J. Hallman. 1998. Temperature treatments for quarantine security: new approaches for fresh commodities, pp. 201–234. *In* G. J. Hallman and D. L. Denlinger (eds.), Temperature sensitivity in insects: and application in integrated pest management. Westview, Boulder, CO.
- Morgante, J. S., A. Malavasi, and G. L. Bush. 1980. Biochemical systematics and evolutionary relationships of Neotropical Anastrepha. Ann. Entomol. Soc. Am. 73: 622–630.
- Myers, S. W., E. Cancio-Martinez, G. J. Hallman, E. A. Fontenot, and M. J. B. Vreysen. 2016. Relative tolerance of six *Bactrocera* (Diptera: tephritidae) species to phytosanitary cold treatment. J. Econ. Entomol. 109: 2341–2347.
- Rempoulakis, P., N. Afshar, B. Osorio, M. Barajas-Aceves, J. Szular, S. Ahmad, T. Dammalage, U. S. Tomas, E. Nemny-Lavy, M. Salomon, *et al.* 2014. Conserved metallomics in two insect families evolving separately for a hundred million years. BioMetals 27: 1323–1335.
- Ritz, C., F. Baty, J. C. Streibig, and D. Gerhard. 2015. Dose-response analysis using R. PLoS One. 10: e0146021.
- Roriz, A. K. P., H. F. Japyassú, C. Cáceres, M. T. Vera, and I. S. Joachim-Bravo. 2019. Pheromone emission patterns and courtship sequences across distinct populations within *Anastrepha fraterculus* (Diptera-Tephritidae) cryptic species complex. Bull. Entomol. Res. 109: 408–417.
- Rull, J., S. Abraham, A. Kovaleski, D. F. Segura, M. Mendoza, C. M. Liendo, and T. M. Vera. 2013. Evolution of pre-zygotic and post-zygotic barriers to gene flow among three cryptic species within the *Anastrepha fraterculus* complex. Entomol Exp Appl. 148: 213–222.
- Schutze, M., N. Aketarawong, W. Amornsak, K. F. Armstrong, A. A. Augustinos, N. Barr, W. Bo, K. Bourtzis, L. M. Boykin, C. Cacéres, et al. 2015a. Synonymization of key pest species within the Bactrocera dorsalis species complex (Diptera: tephritidae): taxonomic changes based on a review of 20 years of integrative morphological, molecular, cytogenetic, behavioural and chemoecological data. Syst.Entomol. 40: 456–471.

- Schutze, M. K., K. Mahmood, A. Pavasovic, W. Bo, J. Newman, A. R. Clarke, M. N. Krosch, and S. L. Cameron. 2015b. One and the same: integrative taxonomic evidence that the African invasive fruit fly *Bactrocera invadens* (Diptera: tephritidae), is the same species as the oriental fruit fly *Bactrocera dorsalis*. Syst. Entomol. 40: 472–486.
- Schutze, M. K., M. Virgilio, A. Norrbom, and A. R. Clarke. 2017. Tephritid integrative taxonomy: where we are now, with a focus on the resolution of three tropical fruit fly species complexes. Annu. Rev. Entomol. 62: 147–164.
- Selivon, D., C. Vretos, L. Fontes, and A. L. P. Perondini. 2004. New variant forms in the Anastrepha fraterculus complex (Diptera: tephritidae), pp. 253–258. *In* Proceedings of 6th International Fruit Fly Symposium, 6–10 May 2002, Stellenbosch, South Africa.
- Selivon, D., P. Perondini, and J. S. Morgante. 2005. A genetic-morphological characterization of two cryptic species of the *Anastrepha fraterculus* complex (Diptera: tephritidae). Ann. Entomol. Soc. Am. 98, 367–381.
- Steck, G. J. 1991. Biochemical systematics and population genetic-structure of *Anastrepha fraterculus* and related species (Diptera: tephritidae). Ann. Entomol. Soc. Am. 84: 10–28.
- USDA. 2019. United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) Treatment Manual. (https://www. aphis.usda.gov/import\_export/plants/manuals/ports/downloads/treatment.pdf) (accessed 17 July 2019).
- Tanaka, N., R. Okamoto, and D. L. Chambers. 1970. Methods of mass rearing the Mediterranean fruit fly currently used by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, pp. 19–23. IAEA, Vienna, Austria.
- Valderrama, J.K., M.S. Serrano, and G. Fischer. 2005. Mortalidad de larvas de Anastrepha fraterculus (Wiedemann) (Diptera: tehritidae) en frutos de feijoa (Acca sellowiana [O. Berg] Burret) sometidos a un tratamiento cuarentenario de frío. Rev. Colomb. Entomol. 31: 171–176.
- Vera, M. T., C. Cáceres, V. Wornoayporn, A. Islam, A. S. Robinson, M. H. De La Veja, J. Hendrichs, and J. P. Cayol. 2006. Mating incompatibility among populations of the South American fruit fly Anastrepha fraterculus (Diptera: tephritidae). Ann. Entomol. Soc. Am. 99: 387–397.
- Willink, E., G. Gastaminza, A. Salvatore, M. C. Gramajo, M. Acenolaza, R. Avila, and P. Favre. 2006. Quarantine cold treatments for *Ceratitis capitata and Anastrepha fraterculus* (Diptera: tephritidae) for citrus in Argentina: conclusions after 10 years of research, pp. 285–293. *In* Proceedings, 7th International Symposium Fruit Flies of Economic Importance: from Basic to Applied Knowledge, 10–15 September 2006, Salvador, Brazil.
- Yamada, S. M., and D. Selivon. 2001. Rose, an eye color mutation in a species of the Anastrepha fraterculus complex (Diptera: tephritidae). Ann. Entomol. Soc. Am. 94: 592–595.