1 Supplementary Materials: Methods and supplements

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Selecting Colonies & Transplant site

4 5 We selected 80 coral colonies (henceforth called parent colonies) representing four species that were identified based on morphology: Acropora gemmifera, Acropora 6 hyacinthus (cryptic species HE in Ladner & Palumbi 2012 [1]), Pocillopora damicornis, 7 8 and Porites cylindrica. Colonies were within the National Park of American Samoa 9 (14°11'S, 169°36'W) and ten of each species were selected from the Highly Variable 10 Pool or the HVP (Pool 300 in [2]) while the remaining ten for each species were selected 11 from the Moderately Variable Pool or the MVP (Pool 400 in [2]). Colonies spanned an area of 0.2 square kilometers in the HVP and 0.3 square kilometers in the MVP and 12 spread from crest to near shore at depths ranging from less than 0.3m at low tide to 2-3m. 13 14 In addition to spatial distribution, colonies were selected based on size such that sampling never exceeded 10% of the colony. Colonies of Acropora ranged in size from 35cm to 15 120cm diameter, colonies of Pocillopora ranged in size from 30cm to 80cm, and colonies 16 17 of *Porites* ranged in size from 45cm to 200cm. All colonies were tagged, photographed, 18 measured, and recorded at their latitude and longitude to the fifth decimal place. A subset 19 of colonies (\sim 50) had long-term temperature loggers collecting data every ten minutes to 20 half hour.

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The transplant site was selected within the proposed Sili region based on its depth (>3' at low tide) and accessibility. Since no suitable substrate was available to tie down the crates, a local construction crew helped create cement pallets to hold crates in the transplant site. Ten pallets were set up in pairs from shore to crest spanning less than 0.1 square kilometer. Pallets were designed to hold one replicate of all 80 colonies with a temperature logger collecting data every ten minutes.

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29 Creating nubbins & transplanting

We cut ten small fragments (~3cm in length, all 4g±1g), hereafter nubbins, from each of
the 80 parent colonies in their native environments. The nubbins were glued underwater
to nylon bolts using two-part underwater epoxy. Nubbins recovered in their native
environment for up to 1 week and were then redistributed so all colonies from a single
species were represented on one crate (20 colonies per crate x 4 species x 10 replicates =
800 nubbins across 40 crates). Each nubbin was photographed and buoyant weighed for
baseline growth data.

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Once the 40 crates had recovered in their native environments, crates were relocated to
our selected transplant site. Crates were moved across the island in 40-gallon bins of
seawater and were zip-tied down onto the ten replicate pallets at the transplant site.

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42 We tested multi-locus-genotypes for the three species that bleached and found all parents

43 to be different genotypes in *Acropora hyacinthus*. For *Acropora gemmifera* there were 18

44 genets among 20 parent colonies. And for *Pocillopora damicornis*, there were 11 genets

45 among 20 parent colonies. Parent colonies are used in analysis for three reasons: they

46 represented wild colonies experiencing different acclimatization histories, they allowed

47 us to test the tolerance of a nursery established without genotyping, and in the case of

- 48 *Pocillopora damicornis*, they represented different combinations of coral clone and
 49 dominant symbiont type.
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51 *Remote & field monitoring*

52 Photographs were taken of the transplanted corals approximately every week to assess

- 53 survival, predation, and physiological responses to environment. From these photos, coral
- 54 nubbins were categorized into four classes: alive (any pigmented and unwounded tissue);
- predated (visible wound); dead (complete algae cover over skeleton); missing (removedfrom crate via predation event).
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58 Predation was most extensive on *Pocillopora damicornis* however also present in

- 59 Acropora hyacinthus. Predation was nearly absent in Porites cylindrica and Acropora
- 60 *gemmifera*, potentially due to skeletal density and size of branches. Due to the overall
- 61 faster growth rate and healing of the *Acropora* species, predation had a much stronger
- 62 impact on survival of *Pocillopora damicornis* than on survival of *Acropora hyatinus*. We
- 63 were unable to detect a signal of predation by predicted resilience or by genotype
- (ANOVA p >0.05) indicating an overall average impact on predation for growth rates and
 performance during the bleaching event.
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67 We also included three additional field seasons (Dec 2014, April 2015, and August 2015)

to measure growth via buoyant weight, assess experimental stress tolerance, and
exchange temperature loggers. Data are included in Dataset S2.

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71 Characterizing proxies of resilience

72 Three simple environmental and physiological proxies of bleaching tolerance were measured at the nursery's establishment. One proxy was habitat of origin: the Highly 73 74 Variable Pool (or the HVP) experiences more frequent heat extremes above 34°C 75 whereas the Moderately Variable Pool (or the MVP) rarely experiences temperatures 76 above 33°C (Figure 1a and Figure 3a) [2]. The second proxy was based on the time spent 77 above 31°C for each parent colony, measured directly by thermo-logger or interpolated 78 from nearby loggers over one austral summer (see Interpolating temperature data for 79 *microclimate characterization*). The third proxy was derived from specific tests of heat 80 tolerance for each colony assessing physiological response from a standard lab-induced heat stress administered by a portable tank (see characterizing experimental stress 81 *performance*). The tank is inexpensive and is deployable in remote locations. In addition 82 83 to these three proxies, we also assessed the symbiont clade in each colony because clade 84 D symbionts are thought to be much more thermally tolerant than co-occurring clade C 85 symbionts [3]. Finally we assessed biomarkers for thermal tolerance, based on genotypes 86 at multiple loci identified as candidate heat-tolerance alleles by Bay and Palumbi 2014 [4] and a single SNP marker developed by Jin et al. 2016 [5] (see Determining 87 88 biomarkers).

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90 Interpolating temperature data for microclimate characterization

- 91 Temperature loggers collecting data at ten-minute intervals were placed to cover the
- 92 extent of the microhabitats for parent colonies. For colonies that did not have temperature

- 93 loggers, temperature was interpolated using an Inverse Distance Weighting algorithm and
- 94 temperature was sampled for each colony from the raster surface. For the duration of the
- austral summer (December 2014-April 2015), we counted each observation above 31°C
- 96 (the nominal bleaching temperature for the region [4] as well as the 95th percentile of the
- 97 temperature distribution) and ranked each colony within species from hottest (most time
- points above 31°C) to coolest. We selected time points spent above 31°C, though the integral of time above 31°C had a high correlation (cor = 0.99, p < 2e-16) to time spent
- above 31° C. Two colonies in the MVP (SU09 and SU10) did not have temperature data
- 101 during the summer evaluated and were not near other loggers (>0.1 km). They were
- excluded from the temperature analysis. Data of time spent above 31°C for each parentcolony are included in Dataset S1.
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105 Characterizing experimental stress performance

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For each species, we first determined the T50 or the temperature at which 50% of the bleaching response occurred after a three-hour ramp from control temperatures (29°C) to the high temperature and a three hour hold at the high temperature. The established T50 temperature for *Acropora hyacinthus* for this region is 34°C. We established the T50 for the other three species by testing four fragments at control temperatures of 29°C and two to four fragments across multiple ramps with high temperatures ranging from 33°C to

37°C. The T50 temperatures were established as 34°C for *Acropora hyacinthus*, 35°C for
 Acropora gemmifera and *Pocillopora damicornis*, and 36°C for *Porites cylindrica*.

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116 Once we established the T50, we collected eight \sim 3cm pieces of live coral fragment from each parent colony and placed them in our stress assay tanks. Tanks had constant flow-117 118 through at 1 ml/s, had no more than 12 fragments of coral per test, and had standardized 119 light conditions of 700uE set on a 12-hour light/dark cycle. We kept four samples per 120 colony at a constant 29°C as a control and exposed four samples per colony to a three-121 hour ramp from 29°C to the species-specific T50 followed by a three-hour hold at the 122 species-specific T50 followed by a return to baseline 29°C. We allowed fragments to 123 recover in tanks overnight.

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125 All samples were assessed for visual bleaching the following morning and were placed

126 into 95% ethanol to extract chlorophyll. Chlorophyll was measured using

spectrophotometric analysis [6] and was standardized based by the surface area of each
sample measured using the wax-dip method [7]. Resilience was calculated by measuring
the chlorophyll retained by dividing the average chlorophyll of heat-stressed samples by
the average chlorophyll of control samples.

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132 This established our baseline experimental stress tolerance in August of 2015 (end of the 133 austral winter) and foundation for predicted resilience from the experimental stress assay.

- 134 Coral were then ranked within species from highest chlorophyll retention (most tolerant)
- to lowest. Data chlorophyll retained and standard deviation for each parent colony is
- 136 included in Dataset S1.
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139 Determining unique genotypes for Acropora and Pocillopora

Pocillopora damicornis, and 3 Acropora hyacinthus in August of 2014 or April of 2015. 141 142 The remaining 17 colonies of Acropora hyacinthus had previously been identified and classified as unique in Bay & Palumbi 2014 and Palumbi et al. 2014. RNA libraries were 143 created for the 43 parent colonies and were sequenced on two Illumina HiSeq lanes and 144 145 subsequently mapped to de novo transcriptomes for each respective species. High quality 146 SNPs (called in all individuals, MAF > 0.05, and overall QUAL > 30, genotype quality GQ > 20) were called using FreeBayes and 23,721 SNPs for *Acropora gemmifera* and 147 148 22,481 SNPs for *Pocillopora damicornis* were analyzed using separate principle components analysis. A threshold of 0.1 of relatedness across SNPs for each species was 149 used to call clonal or highly similar genotypes. Most of the clones existed among 150 *Pocillopora damicornis* with 20 colonies collapsing to 11 genotypes. In *Acropora* 151 152 gemmifera, 20 colonies collapsed to 17 colonies. There were no identical parents in Acropora hyacinthus. The identification of unique genotypes allowed us to test the 153 154 relative contributions of the host to bleaching and recovery during the bleaching event. 155 VCF files will be available on the SRA. 156 157 To determine the proportion of bleaching explained by host, origin, species, crate, and

Genetic samples were collected for parent colonies, all 20 Acropora gemmifera, all 20

157 To determine the proportion of bleaching explained by host, origin, species, crate, and

symbiont, we utilized the genotype identity to group replicates. To determine the

correlation between bleaching severity in the nursery and in the native lagoons, we
 averaged bleaching severity across all clonal replicates. Finally, to determine effects of
 predation, bleaching severity, and host identity on survival, we used the genotype identity

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164 *Determining biomarkers*

to group replicates.

165 Biomarker SNPs were tested using RNA-Seq transcriptome data for Acropora hyacinthus and Acropora gemmifera. For Acropora hyacinthus, 14 transcriptome libraries were 166 167 previously part of the characterization of biomarker environmental correlates of thermal 168 tolerance (Bay & Palumbi 2014 [4], available through NCBI with BioProject accession PRJNA379450). The additional 3 transcriptomes for AH150, AH151, and AH152, and 169 170 the 20 parent transcriptomes of Acropora gemmifera used for determining unique genotypes (previous section) were used for testing biomarkers. Each colony was treated 171 independently (not aggregated into clonal group) since biomarkers may be tested blind of 172 the underlying host genotype. 173

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175 For the 114 SNPs across 92 contigs established by Bay & Palumbi 2014 [4], libraries

176 from *Acropora hyacinthus* and *Acropora gemmifera* were mapped directly onto the 92

177 *Acropora hyacinthus* contigs with BowTie2 (-very-sensitive, bSq > 10). SNPs were 178 called using FreeBayes (--use-best-n-alleles 3) and filtered with vcffilter (-f "TYPE = snp

called using FreeBayes (--use-best-n-alleles 3) and intered with volumer (-1 1) PE = snp179 & QUAL > 30" –g "GQ > 20"). In *Acropora hyacinthus*, for each library, we calculated

the fraction of candidate loci (22 of 114 SNPs where all individuals were called at that

181 loci) where the individual has at least one minor allele (comparable calculations for other

182 Acropora hyacinthus individuals are located in supplementary table S2 of Bay & Palumbi

- 183 2014 [4]). All new calculations were generated for *Acropora gemmifera* for the 23 of 114
- 184 SNPs called in all 20 individuals. Minor Allele Frequencies are included in Dataset S3.

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- 186 We then ranked parent colonies by species and then by their Minor Allele Frequencies.
- 187 We took the top half with the highest proportion of the minor allele (predicted resilient)
- 188 and compared a nursery constructed with best performers from the biomarker assay to a
- nursery with best performers from our three proxies (Supplemental figure 5).
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- 191 For the Jin et al. 2016 genotype [5], we mapped *Acropora hyacinthus* and *Acropora*
- 192 gemmifera directly onto the EZ013402.1 Acropora millepora sequence with BowTie2 (-
- 193 very-sensitive, bSq > 10). SNPs were called with FreeBayes and filtered with vcffilter (--
- use-best-n-alleles $3 \mid -f$ "TYPE = snp & QUAL > 30" -g "GQ > 20"). The genotype was called at position 1054 (biomarker C70S236 with probe 5'
- 196 GTACTTTTATGACGcGCTAAATGCATGACTT 3') [8]. Genotypes are included in197 Dataset S3.
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199 *Determining symbiont genus*200

Symbiont genus was characterized in three ways in this study: 1) gel-based identification
of the cp23s region for genus-level characterization of parent colonies across multiple
time-points, 2) mapping of transcriptome sequences to a ~260 bp region of the ITS2
marker for species characterization, and 3) *de novo* analysis of 579 SNPs across the entire
symbiont transcriptome for variant characterization within species.

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207 Transcriptomes were generated for 17 Acropora hyacinthus colonies, 20 Acropora gemmifera colonies, 20 Pocillopora damicornis colonies, and 3 Porites cylindrica 208 209 colonies. To map to the ITS2 region, 176 Genbank accessions of ITS2 were taken for 210 known symbiont species from Correa and Baker 2009 [9]. Sequences were downloaded, 211 aligned, and trimmed to an approximately ~260bp region across all subclades. Duplicate 212 sequences were removed and the first accession of a unique haplotypes as established by 213 Correa and Baker 2009 was used in the final FASTA. This left 107 sequences, 100 214 belonging to genus *Cladocopium* and 7 belonging to genus *Durusdinium*. Untrimmed and 215 unclipped FASTq libraries for each transcriptome were mapped with bowtie2 (-very-216 sensitive) to these 107 ITS2 regions with an average of 290 reads mapping at least one 217 time across all libraries and 99% of reads mapping more than once (indicating nonspecific mapping to subclades). Reads were then filtered for mapping quality (-q 10) 218 219 leaving very few reads for each parent colony (average of 16 reads, median of 3 reads). 220 Across all libraries, 96% of reads were predominantly distributed in four symbiont species (*Cladocopium* C3k, C1d, and C15 and *Durusdinium* D1 (= trenchii)). Of these, 221 222 Cladocopium C3k mapped only to symbionts in Acropora colonies (20 libraries 223 successfully mapped at least one read, all were Acropora), Cladocopium C1d mapped predominantly to *Pocillopora* (7 libraries successfully mapped at least one read, 6 of 224 these were Pocillopora), Cladocopium C15 mapped to only Porites (5 libraries 225 226 successfully mapped at least one read, all were *Porites*), and D1 mapped to both Acropora and Pocillopora (19 libraries successfully mapped at least one read, 9 were 227 *Pocillopora* and 10 were *Acropora*). These preliminary findings indicate that mapping 228 229 transcriptome libraries to the ITS2 region distinguishes species within genus 230 *Cladocopium*, but may not be as revealing for genus *Durusdinium* [10].

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- 232 To further elucidate patterns of sub-clade differences in symbionts within and between
- 233 species of coral, transcriptomes were mapped with bowtie2 (very-sensitive-local) to the
- 234 S. microadriaticum [11] reference transcriptome on ReefGenomics.org. Symbiont
- 235 transcripts in this study represent the entire population of symbionts in the homogenized
- 236 tissue. As such, a Single Nucleotide Polymorphism or "SNP" defined in this analysis
- 237 actually represents the population level polymorphism for a given colony. SNPs were 238 called on high quality reads (-q 10) using FreeBayes (--genotype-qualities --use-best-n-
- 239 alleles 3) and SNPs were filtered for high quality SNPs with a MAF of 0.05 ("TYPE = 240 snp & QUAL > 30 & AF > 0.05 & AF < 0.95 & NUMALT = 1") called in all coral
- - individuals. This left 579 SNPs called across all colonies. These 579 SNPs were then 241 plotted in a Principal Component Analysis to determine clustering of groups of colonies 242 243 based on their symbionts.
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245 The first Principal Component axis (Supplemental Figure 6) explained 75.6% of the total 246 variance and separated the colonies with predominately genus Durusdinium from 247 predominately genus *Cladocopium* colonies with mixed populations in the center. The 248 second Principal Component axis explained 5.1% of the variance and separated by coral 249 genera for both the genus *Cladocopium* and genus *Durusdinium* symbionts. This 250 indicates sub-clade specialization of symbiont type by genera in not only genus 251 *Cladocopium* but additionally genus *Durusdinium* symbionts. The first two Principal 252 Component axes were significantly correlated to the bleaching outcome in the common 253 gardened nursery (the first axis Pearson's correlation of 0.57 and p-value of 2.4e-6, the 254 second axis Pearson's correlation of 0.38 and p-value of 2.7e-3) though this was mostly 255 representative of the correlation between symbiont genus (axis one) and coral genera 256 (axis two). After the first two axes, none of the axes explaining more than 1% of the 257 variance significantly correlated with bleaching outcome in the common gardened 258 nursery.

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260 We also tested symbiont type throughout the experiment using the cp23 marker and a gel-

based assay to determine the relative proportions of symbiont genera. Baseline 261

- 262 Symbiodinium types were used based on samples collected from parent colonies in
- 263 August of 2014. Genomic DNA was extracted from skeleton fragments used in

chlorophyll analysis for one replicate of each genotype. The 23s ribosome in the 264 chloroplast (cp23s, 23S4F: 5'- GACGGCTGTAACTATAACGG-3'; 23S7R: 5'-265

- CCATCGTATTGAACCCAGC-3') was amplified for the two main genera of symbionts 266
- present in American Samoa. A 99 base pair insertion in the genus Durusdinium sequence 267
- 268 allowed for gel-based classification symbionts. If bands for only genus Cladocopium
- 269 were present, the fragment was categorized as C (1). If bands for only genus
- 270 Durusdinium were present, the fragment was categorized as D (5). If both bands were
- present, the colony was characterized by C-dom (2), mixed (3), or D-dom (4) based on 271
- 272 visual densitometry. Data are included in Dataset S1.
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- 274 Symbiont type was calculated for all parent colonies at the start of the experiment.
- 275 Symbiont type was also recorded for the parent colonies of Pocillopora damicornis and
- 276 Acropora gemmifera in April of 2015, while corals were visually bleached. There was

- 277 insufficient sample of Acropora hyacinthus to record symbiont type for all individuals at
- that time point. Thus, symbiont type was recorded for parent colonies in August 2015.
- 279 Parent colonies were considered 'switchers' if they moved two or more categories (i.e.
- from C to mixed or from D-dom to C-dom) between the baseline time point and the time point after warming stress.
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283 Because we had symbiont type characterized by the gel assay and transcriptomes for 284 colonies at a given time point, we were able to validate gel-based genus-level symbiont classifications with transcriptome data. For Acropora gemmifera, we had all twenty 285 286 transcriptomes collected during April of 2015. From separate samples collected in the 287 same field season, we characterized the cp23s gel-based genus-level symbiont classifications. We took the untrimmed and unclipped Acropora gemmifera libraries and 288 289 mapped them with bowtie2 (--very-sensitive) to two ITS2 regions and the cp23s region 290 for genus C and genus D (fasta included in supplement). We took high-quality mapped reads (-q 10) and then averaged the portion of mapping to genus D across the three 291 292 markers. We correlated the portion of genus D with the numeric classification (1 as C, 2 as C-dom, 3 as mixed, 4 as D-dom, 5 as D) from the gel assay. The resulting correlation 293 (Supplementary Figure 7) shows a highly significant 0.98 correlation (p = 7.7e-15). This 294 295 finding demonstrates that the transcriptome symbiont classification and gel-based 296 classifications are highly correlated.

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298 Calculating maximum bleaching in the nursery

From weekly photos of the transplants, we were able to assess the severity of bleaching 299 through visual categorization of each nubbin into eight classes: 100% pigmented, 80% 300 pigmented, 60% pigmented, 40% pigmented, 20% pigmented, 0% pigmented, dead, or 301 302 not evaluated. Categories represent average bleaching integrated across the entire colony. 303 In 2015, eleven time points spanning 200 days were included in this analysis to cover the 304 extent of the bleaching event. For each crate at each time point, each nubbin was 305 evaluated blind of its location. This analysis was repeated three times. Across the 306 triplicate assessment, the median category was chosen for each time point (bleaching scores for a single nubbin never ranged more than three bleaching categories). A final 307 308 'maximum' score was calculated for each nubbin across the 11 time points, representing 309 the most severe bleaching observed, prior to mortality if mortality occurred. Data are included in Dataset S2. 310

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312 For the 2017 bleaching event, one set of photographs was collected on March 8, 2017 by collaborators at the Department of Marine and Wildlife Resources. Nubbins were scored 313 314 for bleaching severity three independent times and the median category was chosen for 315 each nubbin (bleaching scores for a single nubbin never ranged more than two bleaching categories). Since we did not have a time series, we compared the 2015 event by 316 317 selecting a single time point from the eleven recorded assessments across the 200 days of 318 bleaching in 2015. We calculated average bleaching scores for each species at each time point and selected the time point with the most similar bleaching profile (May 9, 2015). 319

- 320 Data for bleaching on May 9, 2015 and March 8, 2017 are included in Dataset S1.
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322 Calculating bleaching scores for parent colonies

- 323 During the April 2015 field season, photographs and field visual bleaching data were
- 324 collected. The same classifications of bleaching used in the nursery were used for the
- parent colonies. Visual bleaching was a consensus between two independent observations
- of bleaching severity and was integrated across an entire colony head. Data are includedin Datase1.
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329 Calculating survival

Survival was evaluated as the final binary state of the 800 nubbins after the one-year
project – alive or dead (no live tissue, algae covered). Dead nubbins were categorized
into dead or dead after bleaching where the latter was observed to have a lowest bleached
score of 40% or greater prior to its death. Data are included in Dataset S2.

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335 Calculating growth

336 Nubbin size was roughly standardized to 3.8±0.5g in buoyant weight including epoxy and bolt. To account for variability in starting weight, we scaled all subsequent measures to 337 338 starting weight. Baseline weight was measured in August of 2014. Additional weight was 339 measured in December of 2014, April of 2015, and August of 2015. A pre-bleaching growth period was calculated using the difference in scaled weight between December 340 341 2014 and August 2014 (5 months). A post-bleaching growth period was calculated using 342 the difference in scaled weight between August 2015 and April 2015 (5 months). 343 Fragments from DA03 were removed from growth analysis due to its outlier growth 344 effects.

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Comparing bleaching temperatures in Sili to average temperatures in the HVP and the MVP

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The National Park Service provided data for temperature from 1999-2015. Temperature loggers recorded by the National Park Service were constitutively 0.33 ± 0.14 °C lower than average temperature recorded by our loggers in the same lagoons for the same period (12,239 points for the HVP and the MVP recorded every half hour over eight and a half months). This constitutive difference is likely due to differences in temperature sensors. Temperatures in Sili were shifted 0.33°C to be comparable to long term Park data.

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Supplemental Figure 1A) | Growth and bleaching (with error bars for 10 replicate
nubbins) in April 2015 for all 20 parental colonies of four species. The left 10 parents on
all plots are from the MVP, the 10 right from the HVP. Color denotes whether the parents
had symbiont genus *Cladocopium* ("C", blue), genus *Durusdinium* ("D", red) or switched

399 symbionts during the course of the experiment.





400 Supplemental Figure 1B) Survival from the period of August 2014 to April 2015 (when

401 bleaching began) of replicate nursery nubbins for each parent colony. Survival was

403 Pocillopora damicornis and Acropora hyacinthus.

⁴⁰² variable across species and was most affected by species specific predation in



Supplemental Figure 2 | This plot shows the bleaching seen in the nursery by stock type
in the a) 2015 and b) 2017 bleaching events in American Samoa. In both seasons, the
predicted resilient (A-C) stocks bleached less than the predicted vulnerable (a-c) stocks.
The visual bleaching scores in 2015 correspond to May 9, 2015 and the visual bleaching
scores in 2017 correspond to March 8, 2017. The two dates were selected to demonstrate

- 410 comparable severities in bleaching across the two events. In the 2015 bleaching event,
 411 both *Acropora hyacinthus* and *Acropora gemmifera* bleached in the vulnerable stock (a-
- 411 both *Acropora nyacininus* and *Acropora gemmijera* bleached in the vulnerable stoc 412 c) to similar extents. However, in 2017, bleaching was less severe for *Acropora*
- 412 c) to similar extents. However, in 2017, bleaching was less severe for *Acropora* 413 gemmifera. This may indicate multiple bleaching events affect species differently.
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- 415 Categories of stock type are as follows: Predicted resilient: A) Corals from the HVP B)
- 416 Top experimental stress performers C) Hottest extreme microclimates
- 417 Predicted vulnerable: a) Corals from the MVP b) Bottom experimental stress performers
- 418 c) Coolest extreme microclimates



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424 Supplemental Figure 3 | Negative relationship between the resistance of a coral colony of four species to bleaching and the bleaching observed across 10 nubbins from that 425

colony during the April 2015 bleaching event, eight months after transplantation. Dotted 426 lines represent linear regressions for each species. 427



Statistics for the last 16 summers of temperatures in the HVP and the MVP compared to the transplant site in Sili

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Supplemental Figure 4 | The graphs depict boxplot distributions of a) proportion of time spent above 31°C b) the average temperature c) the range in temperature and d) the standard deviation in temperature for the last 16 summers (December to April in the years from 1999-2015) in the HVP and the MVP. The red line depicts the value experienced at the transplant site Sili for the 2014-2015 El Niño. The green dot depicts the values for the 2002-2003 El Niño and the purple dot depicts the same 2014-2015 El Niño in the parks.

438 Plots indicate that conditions in Sili reached extreme temperatures less frequently (a) and 439 were were less environmentally variable (c & d) than conditions in either the HVP or the 440 MVP over the past 16 years. Yet replicate nubbins in Sili bleached on average 11% more 441 severely than parent colonies did in their home environments. It is possible that in the 442 nursery, other environmental factors or fragment size of nubbins contributed to an 443 increase in the overall bleaching of nubbins. Yet it is also possible that de-acclimatization 444 occurred over the eight-month period prior to the bleaching event. Either way, non-445 resilient nursery nubbins still bleached, indicating selecting resilient stock may be more 446 important than selecting a nursery site that experiences temperatures that are less

447 extreme.



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452 **Supplemental Figure 5** | This plot compares the efficacy of the three simple proxies 453 (categories A-C and a-c) to multi-locus biomarkers (category D and d) when partitioning the nursery by stock type. It shows the severity of visual bleaching seen by the stock 454 455 throughout the 2015 bleaching event. The SNPs, established in Acropora hyacinthus, 456 perform best at producing a resilient stock. However, in the closely related congener 457 Acropora gemmifera, the same set of SNPs created a nursery that bleached more (D) than 458 a nursery created with simple proxies (A-C).

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460 Categories of stock type are as follows:

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462 Predicted resilient: A) Corals from the HVP B) Top experimental stress performers C)

- 463 Hottest extreme microclimates D) Individuals with the highest proportion of the minor 464 alleles for Bay & Palumbi 2014 [4] SNPs
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- 466 Predicted vulnerable: a) Corals from the MVP b) Bottom experimental stress performers
- 467 c) Coolest extreme microclimates d) Individuals with the lowest highest proportion of the
- 468 minor allele across Bay & Palumbi 2014 [4] SNPs

100%





472 Supplemental Figure 6 | Plot of the first and second Principal Components of the 579
473 SNPs in the symbiont populations for the 30 parent colonies whose transcriptomes were
474 generated. The first Principal Component corresponds to the differentiation between
475 predominately genus *Cladocopium* and genus *Durusdinium* symbiont populations. The
476 second Principal Component corresponds to differences between genera of coral. The
477 second Principal Component shows genera specialization not only in genus *Cladocopium*478 symbionts (cooler colors) but also genus *Durusdinium* symbionts (warmer colors).



Acropora gemmifera symbiont types in April 2015 classified

485 between the two methods implies strong correlation between gel-based calls and

- 486 proportions of symbionts classified through symbiont data.
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Supplemental Figure 8: Relationship between average nubbin bleaching among nursery replicates at Sili Reef to symbiont genus (Cladocopium vs. Durusdinium, left) and location of origin (right) for the parental colonies. Both symbiont genus and location correlate with bleaching in all three species. However, symbiont type and location are tightly associated, shown by color coding in each figure, making it unclear which factor controls bleaching rate. For example, colonies with *Cladocopium* symbionts (Genus C) are nearly all found in the MV pool (22 out of 26) whereas the HV pool houses mostly genus Durusdinium symbionts (19 of 24). These figures also show the larger range of bleaching results for corals from the MV pool or those with genus *Cladocopium* symbionts. GLM and MLR results show both origin and symbiont type separately are associated with bleaching (see results).

512 Supplemental Table 1: To test the relationship between bleaching of the nubbins at Sili 513 and the species, origin and symbiont of individual clones, we ran General Linear Models

(using R), with species, origin, and symbiont as binomial variables explaining whether 514 515 bleaching at Sili was >25%. All three parameters together significantly explained bleaching (P=0.0009), with individual coefficient Origin (p=0.03) being significant, and 516 517 Symbiont marginally so (p=0.08). 518 519 Coefficients: 520 Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)521 1.0935 1.5285 0.715 0.4743 (Intercept) 522 Species: gemmifera 0.4727 0.7959 0.594 0.5526 523 Species: hyacinthus -0.4348 0.7961 -0.546 0.5850 524 Origin: MVP 1.5287 0.7248 2.109 0.0349 * 525 Symbiont -1.2750 0.7236 -0.0781. 1.762 526 ---Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 527 528 529 530 531 **Supplemental Table 2:** The same results are obtained from a multiple linear regression 532 533 of Species, Origin, and Symbiont on the fraction of bleaching at Sili. Origin is again highly significant, but in this analysis, Symbiont is also significant, with a Beta co-534 535 efficient that is similar to that for Origin 536 537 Here, the multiple r-squared is 0.4343, adjusted R-squared 0.3908. p=0.000005. 538 Accounting for Origin and Symbiont, Species is not significantly associated with 539 bleaching in either model. 540 541 Coefficients: 542 Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)543 0.149604 3.552 0.000822 *** (Intercept) 0.531427 544 Species:gemmifera 0.065472 0.069522 0.942 0.350673 545 Species:hyacinthus 0.001947 0.070485 0.028 0.978070 546 Origin:MVP 2.825 0.006683 ** 0.197792 0.070005 547 Symbiont -0.189711 -2.647 0.010712 * 0.071660 548 ---549 Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1 550 551 Residual standard error: 0.2124 on 52 degrees of freedom 552 Multiple R-squared: 0.4343, Adjusted R-squared: 0.3908 553 F-statistic: 9.981 on 4 and 52 DF, p-value: 4.535e-06 554 555 Dataset S1 – Physical, growth, symbiont, bleaching and location data for the 80 556 colonies and the nubbins derived from them used in this study. 557 558 559 Dataset S2 – Bleaching, growth and mortality data for the 800 nubbins from 80 560 colonies followed in this study. 561 562 563 Dataset S3 – Genetic biomarkers for bleaching for the 80 colonies used in this study. 564

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