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ELECTRONIC SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL AND DATA

Ocean acidification affects fish spawning but not paternity at CO₂ seeps

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Tables

Table S1. Seawater carbonate chemistry at High and Ambient pCO₂ sites off Vulcano Island and Cala Isola used to observe mating behavior, spawning and fertilization success of ocellated wrasse in 2012 (a) and 2013 (b). Multiple measurements of Salinity, Temperature and pH were made daily in each nesting site (between 10:00-16:00 h) both on different days before and on the same day of the behavioural observations. Data were analysed using linear mixed models (R package lme4 with REML) with site as a fixed factor and day as a random factor nested within sites. Results of significance tests (F-ratios and P values) with 3 nesting site levels for the 2012 survey (n=11 for Vulcano and n=14 for Cala Isola) and 2 levels for the 2013 survey in Vulcano (n=12) are reported for each variable. Means with different letters (a, b) differ significantly (P<0.05, pairwise contrasts).

		Vulcano Island		Cala Isola
		High CO ₂	Ambient CO ₂	Ambient CO ₂
		38°25.184'N	38°25.248'N	38°12.341'N
		14°57.696'E	14°57.853'E	13°15.490'E
(a) Survey 2012				
Salinity	<i>mean ±S.E.</i>	38.15(±0.02) ^a	38.12(±0.02) ^a	37.99(±0.04) ^a
F _{2,33} = 2.34, P=0.112	<i>range</i>	38.1-38.3	38-38.2	37.8-38.1
	<i>median</i>	38.1	38.1	38.09
Temperature (°C)	<i>mean ±S.E.</i>	19.38(±0.12) ^a	19.59(±0.13) ^a	20.37(±0.1) ^b
F _{2,33} = 12.62, P<0.001	<i>range</i>	18.6-20.1	18.9-20.1	19.89-20.68
	<i>median</i>	19.4	19.8	20.63
pH _{NBS}	<i>mean ±S.E.</i>	7.82 (±0.06) ^a	8.15(±0.01) ^b	8.18(±0.01) ^b
F _{2,33} = 15.79, P<0.001	<i>range</i>	7.36-8.06	8.08-8.22	8.13-8.23
	<i>median</i>	7.85	8.16	8.18
pCO ₂ (µatm)	<i>mean ±S.E.</i>	1274(±244) ^a	480(±19) ^b	428(±10) ^b
F _{2,33} = 5.94, P<0.01	<i>range</i>	602-3516	390-578	368-488
	<i>median</i>	1034	463	424
Total Alkalinity (µmol kg ⁻¹)		2581	2607	2518
(b) Survey 2013				
Salinity	<i>mean ±S.E.</i>	38.15(±0.02) ^a	38.14(±0.02) ^a	
F _{1,22} = 0.04, P=0.84	<i>range</i>	38.1-38.25	38-38.3	
	<i>median</i>	38.1	38.1	
Temperature (°C)	<i>mean ±S.E.</i>	19.97(±0.09) ^a	19.54(±0.12) ^b	
F _{1,22} = 5.53, P<0.05	<i>range</i>	19.3-20.6	18.9-20.1	
	<i>median</i>	20	19.4	
pH _{NBS}	<i>mean ±S.E.</i>	7.83(±0.05) ^a	8.18(±0.01) ^b	
F _{1,22} = 48.63, P<0.001	<i>range</i>	7.57-8.06	8.09-8.23	
	<i>median</i>	7.89	8.2	
pCO ₂ (µatm)	<i>mean ±S.E.</i>	1180(±153) ^a	421(±15) ^b	
F _{1,22} = 24.43, P<0.001	<i>range</i>	598-2112	368-550	
	<i>median</i>	922	406	
Total Alkalinity (µmol kg ⁻¹)		2545	2528	

Table S2. Standard length (SL), wet weight (WW), and age estimations from otoliths of dominant males from nesting sites exposed to High CO₂ and Ambient CO₂ conditions off Vulcano Island and Cala Isola. Age of dominant males ranged between 2 and 3 years off the Vulcano CO₂ gradient, whilst ocellated wrasse nesting males from Cala Isola were all 3 years old, although slightly smaller. The asterisks indicate the genotyped individuals.

ID number	Location	CO ₂ level	SL(mm)	WW (g)	Age (years)
1*	Vulcano	High CO ₂	70	8.44	2
2*	Vulcano	High CO ₂	74	11.08	3
3*	Vulcano	High CO ₂	81	12.44	3
4*	Vulcano	High CO ₂	82	12.71	3
5*	Vulcano	High CO ₂	78	10.43	2
6*	Vulcano	Ambient CO ₂	82	11.78	2
7*	Vulcano	Ambient CO ₂	81	11.23	3
8*	Vulcano	Ambient CO ₂	83	13.29	3
9*	Vulcano	Ambient CO ₂	80	12.29	3
10*	Vulcano	Ambient CO ₂	79	8.68	2
11	Cala Isola	Ambient CO ₂	73	8.75	3
12	Cala Isola	Ambient CO ₂	71	7.50	3
13	Cala Isola	Ambient CO ₂	67	6.42	3

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39 **Table S3.** Results of significance testing of main effects and interaction from the generalised least squares fit by
 40 maximum likelihood of the number of spawns by females (n. of spawns 10 min⁻¹) at nests exposed to two CO₂
 41 conditions (**Nesting site**) in the presence and absence of satellite males (**Satellite**) off Vulcano island, followed by
 42 results of contrasts between high and ambient sites within the significant **Nesting site** x **Satellite** interaction. See
 43 methods for further details. There were no overall differences in the number of spawns by females at High vs Ambient
 44 CO₂. Thus there were no differences in nest attractiveness under different CO₂ levels, despite the influence of satellite
 45 males on female spawning.

Source	df	F	P
Nesting site (SI)	1	4.104	0.052
Satellite (SA)	1	1.076	0.520
SIxSA	1	12.041	0.002
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PAIR-WISE CONTRASTS

Term 'SixSA' for pairs of levels of factor 'Nesting Site'

<i>Within level 'Absent' of factor 'Satellite'</i>	t	P
High, Ambient	4.107	<0.001

<i>Within level 'Present' of factor 'Satellite'</i>	t	P
High, Ambient	1.259	0.218

Term 'SixSA' for pairs of levels of factor 'Satellite'

<i>Within level 'High CO₂' of factor 'Nesting site'</i>	t	P
Absent, Present	2.032	0.052

<i>Within level 'Ambient CO₂' of factor 'Nesting site'</i>	t	P
Absent, Present	3.150	0.004

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Table S4. Statistical summary of nest composition, mating behaviour and spawning of ocellated wrasse at Ambient CO₂ Vulcano vs Ambient CO₂ Cala Isola (see methods for details).

Nest composition		df	t	p
MaxN	Sneakers	1,22	0.726	0.472
	Females	1,22	1.429	0.161
TotN	Sneakers	1,22	0.865	0.392
	Females	1,22	0.733	0.468
Nest success		df	F	p
N. of spawns by females		1,22	0.759	0.393
Behavioural interactions of the dominant male				
Courtship (%time)		1,22	0.0004	0.984
N. of chasing events against other males		1,14	2.709	0.122
Inter-male competition		df	Chisq	p
Dominant male spawn disruption		1	0.717	0.397
Inter-male competition		df	F	p
Number of spawns		1,44	0.911	0.345

54 **Table S5.** Results of significance testing of main effects and interactions from the generalised least squares fit by
 55 maximum likelihood of the number of spawns 10 min^{-1} made by dominant males (pair spawns) and those involving
 56 accessory males (sneak spawns) (**Spawn type**) at nests exposed to two CO₂ conditions (**Nesting site**) in the presence
 57 and absence of satellite males (**Satellite**) off Vulcano island, followed by results of contrasts between high and
 58 ambient sites within the significant **Nesting site** x **Spawn type** interaction. Pair spawns were significantly lower at High
 59 CO₂ than Ambient CO₂ nests, whilst sneak spawns did not differ. In bold the interaction term further analysed by
 60 pairwise t-tests. * denotes a marginal p value with consistent inference under bootstrapping of confidence intervals;
 61 see methods for further details.
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Source	df	F	P
Spawn type (SP)	1	4.900	0.031*
Nesting Site (SI)	1	4.744	0.034*
Satellite (SA)	1	0.284	0.596
SPxSI	1	8.929	0.004
SPxSA	1	9.545	0.003
SIxSA	1	13.370	<0.001
SPxSIxSA	1	2.119	0.151
Res	56		

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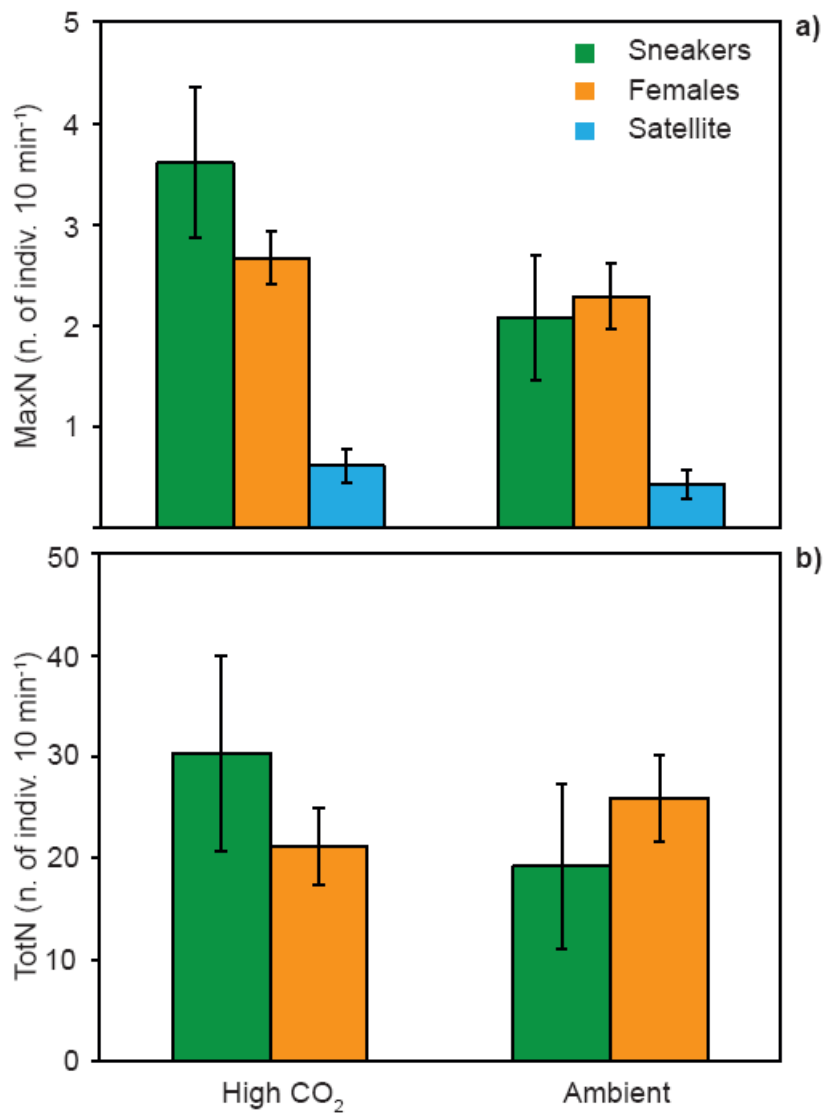
PAIR-WISE CONTRASTS			
Term 'SPxSI' for pairs of levels of factor 'Nesting Site'			
<i>Within level 'Pair' of factor 'spawning type'</i>		t	P
High, Ambient		3.282	0.002
<i>Within level 'Sneak' of factor 'spawning type'</i>		t	P
High, Ambient		0.515	0.609
Term 'SPxSI' for pairs of levels of factor 'Spawn type'			
<i>Within level 'High CO₂' of factor 'Nesting site'</i>		t	P
Pair, Sneak		0.284	0.777
<i>Within level 'Ambient CO₂' of factor 'Nesting site'</i>		t	P
Pair, Sneak		3.329	0.002

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Figures

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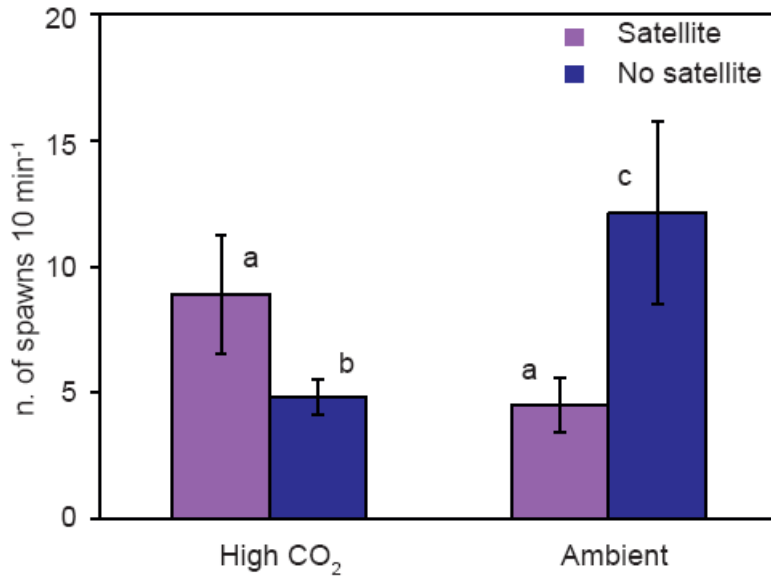
Figure S1. Nest composition at different CO₂ levels off Vulcano Island. **(a)** Average maximum number (MaxN) of accessory males (sneakers and satellites) and females that were recorded within 15-sec frames of 10 min videos. **(b)** Average total number (TotN) of sneakers and females that were recorded within 10 min videos. Each 10-min video was subdivided on 15-sec frames. Within each frame we recorded the total number of females and accessory males (i.e. sneakers and satellites) participating to reproduction or visiting the nest within 1m diameter. TotN is the total number of individuals observed in a 10-min video. In both cases there are no differences between nesting sites (High CO₂ vs Ambient). These findings suggest that nests were similarly attractive in the two CO₂ conditions. Error bars ± 1 SE.



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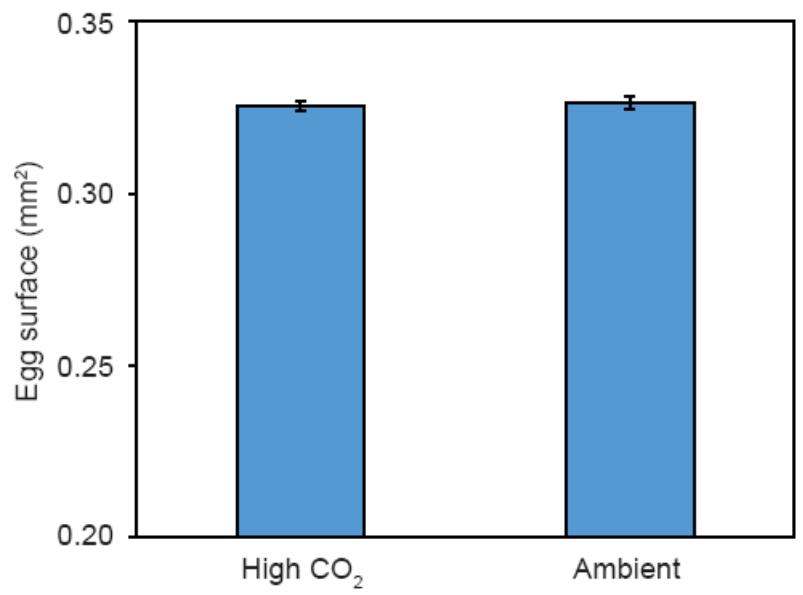
Figure S2. Number of spawns by females at two CO₂ levels off Vulcano Island. Nest success seemed to be unaffected by CO₂ levels as there were no differences in the number of spawns by females between nesting sites (High CO₂ vs Ambient). However, the presence/absence of the satellite males at the nest had opposite effects on the number of spawns by females at High vs. Ambient CO₂ nests respectively. Means with different letters (a, b, c) are significantly different in pair-wise t-tests (see Table S2 for full analyses). Error bars ± 1 SE.



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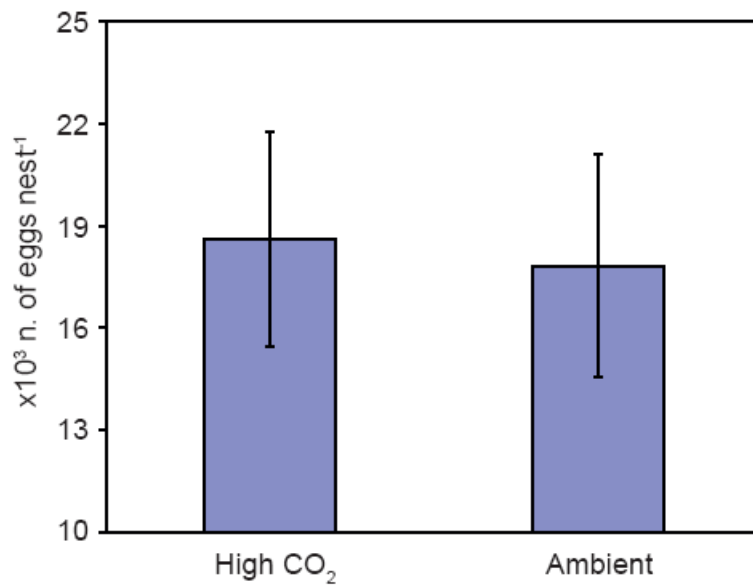
Figure S3. Eggs size in nests exposed to different CO₂ levels. Measurements were carried out on eggs randomly collected from five nests at each nesting site off Vulcano island (n=200 eggs). Error bars ± 1 SE.



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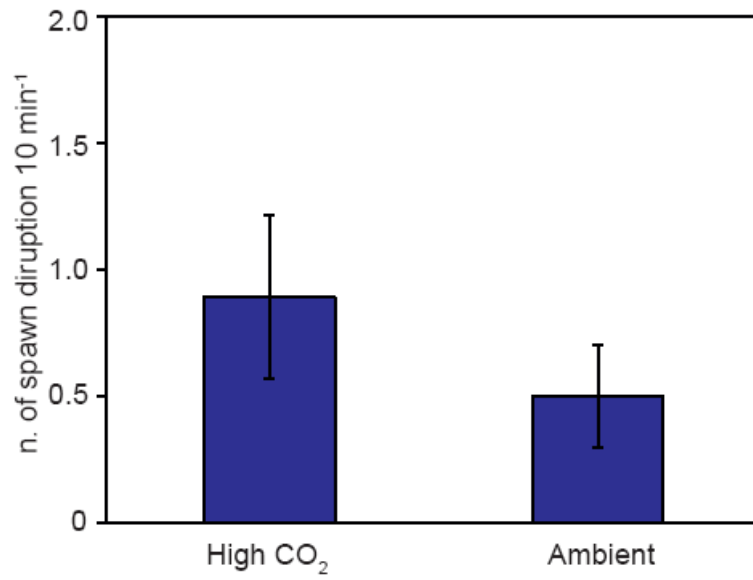
Figure S4. Number of eggs/nest at different CO₂ levels. Nests exposed to different CO₂ levels (n=5 for each condition) had a similar number of eggs, suggesting that the reproductive output was similar under present-day and end-of-century CO₂ concentrations. Error bars ± 1 SE.



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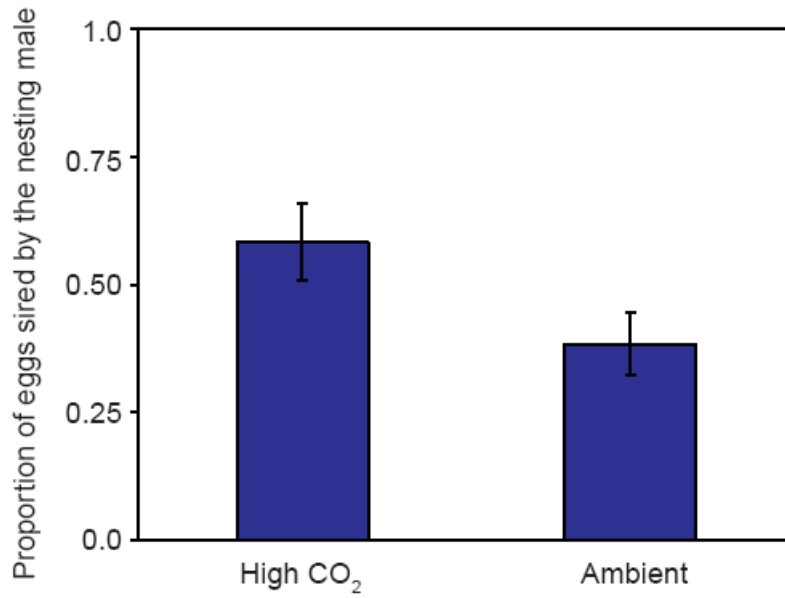
Figure S5. Number of dominant male spawn disruptions at different CO₂ levels. The number of spawn disruptions made by the dominant male did not differ between nests exposed to different CO₂ levels (High CO₂ n=18; Ambient CO₂ n=14). Error bars ± 1 SE.



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Figure S6. Paternity of dominant nesting males at different CO₂ levels. Proportion of eggs sired by nesting males based on strict exclusion analysis. Dominant males were the fathers of embryo fish ca 20% more often at High CO₂ but this was not statistically significant from the ambient conditions (unpaired t-test, $t = 2.05$, $p = 0.074$). Error bars ± 1 SE.



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SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

Mean (\pm S.E.) of nest composition, mating behaviour, spawning, egg size, number of eggs and paternity of the ocellated wrasse at at High and Ambient CO₂ off Vulcano Island and at Ambient CO₂ at Cala Isola.

CO₂ condition	High CO₂	Ambient CO₂	Ambient CO₂
Location	Vulcano Island	Vulcano Island	Cala Isola
Sample size (n)	18	14	10
MaxN sneakers	3.61 (\pm 0.74)	2.07 (\pm 0.62)	2.9 (\pm 0.81)
Ntot sneakers	30.33 (\pm 9.65)	19.21 (\pm 8.76)	33.7 (\pm 15.4)
Nmax females	2.67 (\pm 0.26)	2.29 (\pm 0.32)	3 (\pm 0.45)
Ntot females	21.11 (\pm 3.79)	25.93 (\pm 4.27)	31.2 (\pm 6.7)
Nmax satellites	0.61 (\pm 0.16)	0.43 (\pm 0.14)	0.1 (\pm 0.1)
Courtship (time%)	15.76 (\pm 2.09)	21.12 (\pm 3.29)	21.25 (\pm 3.83)
N. of chasing events*	12.58 (\pm 3.18)	16.57 (\pm 3.12)	8.22 (\pm 3.4)
N. of dominant male spawn disruptions	0.89 (\pm 0.32)	0.5 (\pm 0.20)	0.3 (\pm 0.21)
N. of spawns by females	5.72 (\pm 1.47)	10.93 (\pm 2.55)	7.4 (\pm 2.88)
N. of spawns by dominant males	2.61 (\pm 0.67)	8.79 (\pm 2.4)	5.8 (\pm 2.16)
N. of spawns by accessory males	3.11 (\pm 1.19)	2.14 (\pm 0.54)	1.6 (\pm 0.98)
Eggs size (mm ²)**	0.325 (\pm 0.002)	0.327 (\pm 0.002)	-
N. of eggs nest ⁻¹ ***	18621 (\pm 3156)	17833 (\pm 3275)	-
Dominant male paternity (%)***	58.2 (\pm 7.52)	38.34 (\pm 6.1)	-

* Vulcano High CO₂ n=12; Vulcano Ambient CO₂ n=7; Cala Isola Ambient CO₂ n=10. ** Vulcano High CO₂ n=200; Vulcano Ambient CO₂ n=200. *** Vulcano High CO₂ n=5; Vulcano Ambient CO₂ n=5.

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