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16 **ABSTRACT**

17 The urban heat island effect, where urban areas exhibit higher temperatures than less-developed  
18 suburban and natural habitats, occurs in cities across the globe and is well understood from a  
19 physical perspective and at broad spatial scales. However, very little is known about how thermal  
20 variation caused by urbanization influences the ability of organisms to live in cities. Ectotherms  
21 are sensitive to environmental changes that affect thermal conditions, and therefore increased  
22 urban temperatures may pose significant challenges to thermoregulation and alter temperature-  
23 dependent activity. To evaluate whether these changes to the thermal environment affect the  
24 persistence and dispersal of ectothermic species in urban areas, we studied two species of *Anolis*  
25 lizards (*A. cristatellus* and *A. sagrei*) introduced to Miami-Dade County, FL, USA, where they  
26 occur in both urban and natural habitats. We calculated canopy openness and measured operative  
27 temperature ( $T_e$ ), which estimates the distribution of body temperatures in a non-  
28 thermoregulating population, in four urban and four natural sites. We also captured lizards  
29 throughout the day and recorded their internal body temperature ( $T_b$ ). We found that urban areas  
30 had more open canopies and higher  $T_e$  compared to natural habitats. Lab trials showed that *A.*  
31 *cristatellus* preferred lower temperatures than *A. sagrei*. Urban sites currently occupied by each  
32 species appear to lower thermoregulatory costs for both species, but only *A. sagrei* had field  $T_b$   
33 that were more often within their preferred temperature range in urban habitats compared to  
34 natural areas. Furthermore, based on available  $T_e$  within each species' preferred temperature  
35 range, urban sites with only *A. sagrei* appear less suitable for *A. cristatellus*, whereas natural  
36 sites with only *A. cristatellus* are less suitable for *A. sagrei*. These results highlight how the  
37 thermal properties of urban areas contribute to patterns of persistence and dispersal, particularly  
38 relevant for studying species invasions worldwide.

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## 40 INTRODUCTION

41           Habitat fragmentation and local-scale habitat modifications associated with urbanization  
42 have profound effects on air and surface temperatures in cities. This phenomenon is called the  
43 urban heat island effect, in which urban and developed areas are warmer and temporally more  
44 variable than less developed and nearby natural habitats (Imhoff, Zhang, Wolfe, & Bounoua,  
45 2010; Rizwan, Dennis, & Liu, 2008; Streutker, 2002). When humans construct and expand cities,  
46 vegetative cover is reduced and replaced with impervious, heat-absorbing artificial surfaces such  
47 as roads, parking lots, and buildings (Forman, 2014; Oke, 1982; Yuan & Bauer, 2007). At larger  
48 scales, once-continuous habitats become fragmented with increased surface area exposed to solar  
49 radiation (Delgado, Arroyo, Arévalo, & Fernández-Palacios, 2007; McDonald, Kareiva, &  
50 Forman, 2008). At smaller scales, the distribution of warm and cool microclimates is highly  
51 variable in cities, being influenced by diverse factors such as the placement of single trees and  
52 the socio-economic status of the neighborhood (Georgi & Zafiriadis, 2006; Jenerette et al., 2007;  
53 Kolbe et al., 2016). Thus urbanization drastically alters thermal environments in cities compared  
54 to natural habitats, such as forests. Although the urban heat island effect is well studied from the  
55 perspective of its physical characteristics, very little is known about the consequences for  
56 organisms that inhabit cities (but see Angilletta et al., 2007). For ectothermic organisms in  
57 particular, whether the altered distribution of thermal microhabitats and increased temperatures  
58 of urban areas affect field body temperatures and related traits is an open question.

59           Environmental temperature increases in urban areas may have a direct impact on  
60 ectotherm fitness. Enzymatic activity that drives metabolism, movement, reproduction, and  
61 growth is usually positively correlated with body temperature up to an optimal functional

62 temperature, after which performance sharply decreases as temperature increases (Angilletta,  
63 2009; Huey & Kingsolver, 1989). Activity rates, including mating and foraging, change  
64 continuously with body temperature and reach their highest levels within the preferred  
65 temperature range (Gunderson & Leal, 2015, 2016). Because maximal performance, such as  
66 locomotion, can be critical for escaping predators, capturing prey, and defending territories  
67 (Irschick & Losos, 1998), the environmental temperature can have a strong impact on fitness.  
68 For example, when *Anolis* lizards were transplanted to a warmer habitat, those with maximal  
69 performance at higher temperatures and greater performance breadth had a survival advantage  
70 (Logan, Cox, & Calsbeek, 2014). Urban environments may be too extreme for some species,  
71 with temperatures regularly above their thermal tolerances or lethal temperatures (Kappes,  
72 Katzschner, & Nowak, 2012; Menke et al., 2011), and without enough cool refuges, some  
73 species will be excluded from these areas. However, some ectotherms have been shown to have  
74 increased thermal tolerance in cities; for example, urban ants in Sao Paulo, Brazil could tolerate  
75 high temperatures (42°C) for longer than ants from rural areas (Angilletta et al., 2007).  
76 Alternatively, if urban areas are warmer but temperatures are within physiological tolerances,  
77 access to optimal and preferred body temperatures may increase, and constraints on activity time  
78 and performance may be reduced (Gunderson & Leal, 2015). For example, shade from  
79 landscaping vegetation increased activity time by nearly 400% for lizards in an arid ecosystem  
80 (Ackley, Angilletta, DeNardo, Sullivan, & Wu, 2015). Whether increased urban temperatures  
81 benefit or prove costly to organisms depends on how well ectotherms can use their habitat to  
82 regulate body temperatures.

83           Thermoregulatory costs may change for ectotherms in urban areas where the vegetation  
84 structure and thermal landscape (i.e., the spatial distribution of thermal microclimates) differ

85 significantly from natural habitats. To regulate their body temperatures, ectotherms exchange  
86 heat with the surrounding environment (Angilletta, 2009), depending not only on ambient  
87 conditions (e.g. air and ground temperatures, and access to solar radiation), but also the spatial  
88 distribution of thermally variable microclimates (Sears & Angilletta, 2015; Sears, Raskin, &  
89 Angilletta, 2011). Some ectothermic organisms actively thermoregulate, moving between cool  
90 and warm microhabitats to achieve a preferred body temperature (Huey, Hertz, & Sinervo,  
91 2003). Alternatively, the body temperature of an ectotherm in a thermally homogeneous habitat,  
92 such as a dense forest, conforms to the ambient temperature (Huey et al., 2009). The costs of  
93 each strategy, whether energetic (e.g. shuttling between basking sites) or opportunistic (e.g.  
94 metabolic or performance losses when outside their preferred temperature range), depend on  
95 both the amount of available sunny and shady microhabitats and their distribution in the habitat  
96 (Huey & Slatkin, 1976; Sears et al., 2016; Sears & Angilletta, 2015). For example, a population  
97 of *Anolis cristatellus* in warmer, more arid habitats in southwestern Puerto Rico actively  
98 thermoregulates, whereas lizards in cooler forested habitats with fewer basking sites  
99 thermoconform (Gunderson & Leal, 2012). Because the thermal landscape determines the  
100 relative ease of achieving optimal and preferred temperatures (i.e., cost of thermoregulation)  
101 (Sears et al., 2016), maximal performance capacity and activity time, which are important  
102 proxies of fitness, could vary between habitats that differ in thermal quality. If warmer urban  
103 areas are more favorable thermal environments, this may reduce thermoregulatory costs,  
104 allowing organisms to expend less effort to reach preferred temperatures (Gunderson & Leal,  
105 2012). Alternatively, thermoregulatory costs may increase if urban areas are too hot and  
106 ectotherms spend more time and energy seeking cooler microhabitats (Lagarde et al., 2012;  
107 Scheffers et al., 2013). Few studies have evaluated thermal ecology of ectotherms in cities, yet

108 this factor should strongly influence the ability of these organisms to persist in this widespread  
109 and expanding type of environment.

110 Changes to the costs of temperature-dependent activity may influence the persistence of  
111 ectotherms in cities and determine the ability of non-native ectothermic species to expand their  
112 ranges. Due to habitat modification and extirpation of native species, among other urban  
113 phenomena, urbanized areas can function as points of entry and centers of population growth for  
114 introduced species (Blair & Johnson, 2008; Hufbauer et al., 2012). Furthermore, human activity  
115 and land development often contribute positively to invasion success (Roura-Pascual et al., 2011;  
116 Shochat et al., 2010). Because abiotic factors (e.g. temperature) play a major role in invasion  
117 success (Menke & Holway, 2006), when the thermal qualities of an urban area benefit an  
118 introduced species, such as those that prefer warmer conditions, urbanization may facilitate their  
119 spread (Menke et al., 2011; Piano et al., 2017). Alternatively, urban temperatures may exceed  
120 thermal tolerances, which may preclude introduced ectotherms from establishing in portions of  
121 urban habitats (Kolbe et al., 2016). Because invasive species can cause environmental damage  
122 and economic losses, understanding the mechanisms behind their spread and persistence is  
123 critical (Zenni & Nuñez, 2013).

124 *Anolis* lizards are an excellent system for evaluating the impact of urbanization on  
125 temperature-mediated traits in introduced species. Anoles have been used extensively in research  
126 on thermoregulation (e.g. Hertz, Huey, & Stevenson, 1993; Huey et al., 2003; Huey, 1974).  
127 Because of their relatively small size and small home ranges, their body temperatures can be  
128 compared to nearby models that represent their body temperatures for a non-thermoregulating  
129 population (i.e., the operative temperature:  $T_e$ ), allowing for an assessment of habitat choice and  
130 estimates of the costs of thermoregulation (Gunderson & Leal, 2012; Hertz, 1992; Huey et al.,

131 2003). The temperature dependence of locomotion (i.e., thermal performance curve or TPC) is  
132 well-studied in anoles (Gunderson & Leal, 2012; Huey, Niewiarowski, Kaufmann, & Herron,  
133 1989), and warmer conditions have been shown to impose selection on thermal performance in  
134 anoles (Logan et al., 2014) as well as other lizard taxa (Gilbert & Miles, 2017). We studied the  
135 effects of urban environments on the thermal biology of two species, *Anolis cristatellus* and  
136 *Anolis sagrei*. Both species use similar portions of the structural habitat and are found in urban  
137 and natural habitats in both their native and non-native ranges. Where they co-occur in the  
138 Miami area, they have been shown to compete and affect each other's habitat use (Salzburg,  
139 1984). *Anolis cristatellus* has lower reported thermal preferences and tolerances than *A. sagrei*,  
140 and appears constrained to areas in Miami with high canopy cover (Corn, 1971; Kolbe et al.,  
141 2016). *Anolis sagrei* is widespread throughout urban areas of Miami as well as some natural  
142 forest locations (Battles, Moniz, & Kolbe, 2018).

143         We predict that the structural habitat changes because of urbanization will result in more  
144 open canopies in urban compared to natural areas. We also predict that urban areas will be  
145 warmer and more variable temporally than natural areas ( $T_e$ ), demonstrating an urban heat island  
146 effect at a scale relevant to lizards. Because thermal traits can acclimate or adapt to local  
147 conditions (e.g. Clusella-Trullas & Chown, 2014), we predict that urban lizards in both species  
148 will have higher thermal preferences ( $T_{pref}$ ), higher optimal performance temperatures ( $T_{opt}$ ), and  
149 greater performance breadths than lizards from natural sites. Lizards may benefit in urban areas  
150 if they can maintain  $T_b$  within their  $T_{pref}$  range for more time during the day compared to natural  
151 areas. Alternatively, urban areas may present more extreme conditions (i.e., warmer overall and  
152 fewer cool spots) than natural areas, reducing or eliminating these potential benefits. Finally, we  
153 predict that the thermal characteristics, or thermal suitability, of a site largely dictate which of



154 the two species is present, lending support to the hypothesis that abiotic factors influence the  
155 presence and spread of these invasive species.

## 156 **MATERIALS AND METHODS**

### 157 **Study species and study sites**

158 We studied two *Anolis* species, small insectivorous lizards found naturally in southern  
159 North America, Central and South America, and throughout the Caribbean (Losos, 2009).  
160 Several *Anolis* species have been introduced to the Miami metropolitan area (Kolbe et al., 2007),  
161 two of which are common in both natural forest and urban areas (See S1 in supporting  
162 information for density estimates). *Anolis sagrei* is native to Cuba and the Bahamas, and non-  
163 native populations are now widely distributed in the southeastern United States with Miami area  
164 populations dating to the 1940-60s (Bell, 1953; Kolbe et al., 2004). *Anolis cristatellus* is native  
165 to Puerto Rico and was first documented in Miami in the mid-1970s (Bartlett & Bartlett, 1999;  
166 Kolbe et al., 2007; Powell, Henderson, Adler, & Dundee, 1996; Wilson & Porras, 1983). In  
167 contrast to the nearly ubiquitous *A. sagrei*, the distribution of *A. cristatellus* is more restricted,  
168 radiating out from two independent points of introductions (Kolbe et al., 2016).

169 We conducted our study in four urban and four natural sites throughout the Miami  
170 metropolitan area. Generally, natural sites were closed-canopy forests on upland hammocks,  
171 consisting of hardwood-oak overstory canopy with palmettos and saplings in the understory. All  
172 of the natural sites were forest patches within the urban matrix of metropolitan Miami. Urban  
173 sites are located within human-altered areas, generally along roadsides with bike paths, canals,  
174 and sidewalks. Sites vary in their intensity of urbanization with the Gables being the most urban.  
175 We are unaware of any urban sites in Miami that contain only *A. cristatellus*. See S2 in  
176 supporting information for map and photos of each site.

177 **Operative Temperature**

178 We measured operative temperature ( $T_e$ ), the distribution of body temperatures in a non-  
179 thermoregulating population, which represents the available thermal environment for lizards. We  
180 made copper lizard models out of 28-gauge (0.32 mm) copper sheet, rolled into a cylinder and  
181 fitted with a cap from the same material on one end and flattened and folded to close the other  
182 end, and painted light brown to match lizard skin color and reflectance. Inside each model, we  
183 placed an iButton temperature logger (Thermochron model DS1921G-F5) that was wrapped in  
184 parafilm to increase waterproofing and then wrapped in cloth medical tape to buffer the iButton  
185 from directly touching the side of the model. The iButtons recorded temperatures every fifteen  
186 minutes for the duration of the study at each site. To place models at the natural sites, starting  
187 from near the center of the plot, we followed a random compass heading and distance and  
188 affixed a model on the nearest substrate at this location at a random height between 0 and 200  
189 cm. This resulted in model placement on random orientations on tree trunks and branches,  
190 including underneath surfaces, where lizards regularly perch. In urban sites, we followed a  
191 transect parallel to the road, placing models evenly along the length of the transect at random  
192 heights between 0 and 200 cm, at a random distance from the road, and facing a random compass  
193 heading when on the substrate. At each site, we placed at least 30 operative temperature models.  
194 For all models, we recorded the substrate type and diameter of the vegetation. We calibrated the  
195 temperatures recorded by the models to more closely represent lizard  $T_b$  following Dzialowski  
196 (2005). We did this on sunny days from 08/28/2014 – 09/03/2014, which matched the weather  
197 conditions for days we collected data across all sites.

198 **Body Temperature**

199           While the models were deployed at a site, we captured lizards and recorded their internal  
200 body temperature ( $T_b$ ) with a small thermocouple (K-type, 36-gauge, 0.13 mm-diameter) briefly  
201 inserted into their cloaca. We captured lizards on days when the sun was out, providing lizards  
202 with the opportunity to thermoregulate. We captured 12 lizards (mixed males and females) per  
203 hour between 0700 and 1800, for a total of at least 132 lizards per site. At sites with both species  
204 (Red and Crandon), we captured 132 individuals of each species. We only captured undisturbed  
205 lizards, and never those that we observed moving between sun and shade patches (i.e. only those  
206 lizards not changing basking status). We did not resample individuals, ensured by marking  
207 captured lizards with a small dot placed on the body with white correctional fluid (WhiteOut).  
208 When it took more than one day to reach the sample size at a site, we only captured lizards when  
209 overall weather conditions were similar across sampling days. We sampled sites between June  
210 and August in 2014 (see S3 in supporting information for specific dates for each site).

211 **Canopy Openness**

212           We measured canopy openness by taking hemispherical photos facing upward from  
213 model locations and lizard capture locations with a handheld camera (10-megapixel Canon®  
214 Powershot SD1200 IS) and attached fish-eye lens. We analyzed these photos with Gap Light  
215 Analyzer version 2.0 (Frazer, Canham, & Lertzman, 1999), calculating the percentage of pixels  
216 that were open sky.

217 **Thermal Preference**

218           We measured the preferred temperature range, the central 50% of body temperatures,  
219 measured from lizards allowed to choose body temperatures in a thermal gradient free of other  
220 environmental constraints (Hertz et al., 1993), for male lizards caught in urban and natural sites

221 (*A. cristatellus*: natural  $N = 24$ , urban  $N = 21$ ; *A. sagrei*: natural  $N = 14$ , urban  $N = 15$ ). Lizards  
222 were housed at the University of Rhode Island under a 12L:12D cycle for five to 42 days after  
223 capture, fed crickets every three days (except 24 hrs before a trial) and misted three times per  
224 day. We measured thermal preferences by placing individuals in a thermal gradient comprised of  
225 eight visually and physically separated lanes, to run multiple lizards simultaneously. We placed  
226 an incandescent heat lamp at one end of the lane for basking at high temperatures, while  
227 underneath the opposite end of the gradient we placed a small plastic container filled with ice.  
228 The average temperature at the warm end of the gradient was 46.6 °C (SE=0.30; range=44-52°C)  
229 and 15.4 °C (SE=0.28; range=7-17°C) at the cold end. For both species, temperatures in all  
230 gradients always included the range of preferred temperatures and temperatures up to critical  
231 thermal maxima previously reported in the literature (Corn, 1971; Hertz et al., 1993). We  
232 measured internal body temperatures of lizards using a thermocouple (K-type, 36-gauge, 0.13  
233 mm-diameter) inserted in the cloaca and taped to the body, leaving lizards free to move  
234 throughout the thermal gradient. We recorded body temperatures every ten seconds, allowing  
235 continuous monitoring of body temperature without disturbance by observers. After acclimating  
236 to the lanes for 30 minutes, lizards were allowed to select body temperatures for between three  
237 and four hours. We excluded lizards from the experiment if thermocouples became detached or  
238 lizards showed abnormal behavior. In these cases, lizards were given one additional trial, but  
239 were completely excluded from analyses if they never performed.

#### 240 **Thermoregulatory Effectiveness**

241 To determine how accurately a lizard achieves a preferred body temperature, given the  
242 available thermal habitat, we calculated thermoregulatory effectiveness ( $E$ ) for adult lizards  
243 observed in the wild with the following equations:  $E = 1 - d_b/d_e$ , where  $d_b$  and  $d_e$  refer to the

244 mean deviation of  $T_b$  and  $T_e$  from the preferred temperature range, respectively (Hertz et al.,  
245 1993). Values of  $E$  approaching one signify a highly-effective thermoregulator, whereas values  
246 of  $E$  approaching zero represent a thermoconformer or an organism behaviorally passive in terms  
247 of temperature regulation. A negative  $E$  indicates avoidance of preferred thermal habitat. We set  
248 confidence intervals on  $E$  values through 1000 replicates of bootstrap resampling of our field  
249 measurements of  $T_e$  and  $T_b$  for each site. We computed  $d_b$  and  $d_e$  by randomly drawing samples  
250 (with replacement) of  $n$  observations (total number of observations) of  $T_e$  and  $T_b$ . We also  
251 calculated the percentages of models and lizards below, within, and above their  $T_{pref}$  range.

## 252 **Thermal Performance**

253 We generated thermal performance curves by recording maximum sprint velocity on a  
254 standard racetrack, a 8.6 cm-wide board covered in window screen at a 37° angle to encourage  
255 quadrupedal movement, at five temperatures (15°C, 20°C, 25°C, 30°C, and 35°C) for *A.*  
256 *crystalinus* and six temperatures (15°C, 20°C, 25°C, 30°C, 35°C, and 40°C) for *A. sagrei*. We  
257 collected males of both *A. cristatellus* and *A. sagrei* from urban sites, Red (N = 15) and Gables  
258 (N = 15), respectively, and natural sites, Matheson (N = 13) and Montgomery (N = 15),  
259 respectively. These were a different set of lizards than those used for the thermal preference  
260 experiment and were held under the same conditions. We kept lizards in an incubator for at least  
261 30 minutes to reach the target temperature. Lizards were placed at the base of each track and  
262 allowed to run upwards. We encouraged movement with gentle taps near their tails when needed.  
263 We filmed all lizard runs at 240 frames-per-second with a digital camera (Casio Exilim Ex-  
264 zr1000), and used ImageJ (Schneider, Rasband, & Eliceiri, 2012) to determine maximum  
265 velocity. For *A. sagrei* thermal performance curves, we anchored the high end of the TPCs with  
266 mean critical thermal maximum ( $CT_{max}$ ) temperatures, calculated as the temperature at which

267 righting response is lost, from a different data set for nearby urban (41.1 °C) and natural (40.6  
268 °C) locations in Miami (Battles, unpublished data). For *A. cristatellus*, we added CT<sub>max</sub> values for  
269 urban and natural *A. cristatellus* populations in Miami, which did not differ from each other  
270 (39.0°C; Leal & Gunderson 2012). To estimate thermal performance curves, following Logan et  
271 al. (2014), we fitted data with 21 asymmetrical peak curves using TableCurve 2D (SysStat  
272 Software Inc, San Jose, CA). For each individual, we calculated AIC scores of the generated  
273 models and chose the best fit. When AIC values were too close to identify a single model, we  
274 chose the model with fewer parameters, and when models with the fewest parameters were  
275 indistinguishable, we chose the model with the highest R<sup>2</sup> value.

## 276 **Statistics**

277 We performed all statistical analyses in R (R Core Team, 2015), and analyzed species  
278 separately, except when specified otherwise. We performed an ANOVA of available canopy  
279 openness by site nested within site type (natural or urban), followed by Tukey-HSD post-hoc  
280 analysis to determine differences among sites. To test whether the two species use different  
281 microhabitats from that available and from each other when they co-occur at the same urban sites  
282 (i.e., Crandon and Red), we compared the availability of canopy openness to locations used by  
283 lizards using ANOVA and Tukey-HSD post-hoc tests. In urban sites with only *A. sagrei* (i.e.,  
284 Gables and UM), we compared canopy openness availability and use with a t-test. Natural sites  
285 lacked variation in canopy cover, so we did not test for differences between availability and use  
286 by lizards. To measure the effect of canopy openness on T<sub>e</sub>, we performed a mixed-model  
287 ANCOVA with site, model ID, and time of day as random effects. Then, for only the urban sites  
288 where canopy openness had an effect on temperature, we performed a mixed-model ANCOVA  
289 of T<sub>e</sub> by canopy openness with site and model ID as random effects, for each hour of the day.

290 To analyze thermal availability, we performed a mixed-model ANOVA testing for  
291 differences in  $T_e$  by site type with time of day and model ID as random effects. To test for  
292 differences between  $T_b$  and  $T_e$ , we performed a mixed-model ANOVA of temperature by type  
293 [ $T_e$  (copper model) or  $T_b$  (*A. cristatellus*, and *A. sagrei*)] and site, and their interaction, with ID  
294 (lizards and model) and time of day as random effects. We used post-hoc Tukey-HSD tests to  
295 test for differences between models and lizards in each site.

296 Following estimation of thermal performance curves (see above), we used t-tests to  
297 compare moments on TPC: optimal performance temperature ( $T_{opt}$ ), maximal sprint speed ( $P_{max}$ ),  
298 and performance breadth (95%  $T_{Br}$  and 80%  $T_{Br}$ ). The performance breadth is the range of  
299 temperatures at which sprint performance is at 95% and 80% of the maximal sprint speed,  
300 respectively. Next, we used chi-square tests to compare portions of the TPC (95%  $T_{Br}$ , and 80%  
301  $T_{Br}$ ) available and used in urban versus natural sites.

## 302 **RESULTS**

### 303 **Canopy Openness**

304 Urban areas had more open canopies than natural areas based on random model locations  
305 ( $F_{1,251} = 256.5$ ,  $P < 0.001$ ; Fig. 1), with significant variation among urban sites, but not natural  
306 ones (Fig. 1;  $F_{6,251} = 10.0$ ,  $P < 0.001$ ). Canopy openness strongly influenced  $T_e$  variation within  
307 urban areas ( $F_{1,1276} = 349.6$ ,  $P < 0.001$ ), overall explaining 13.6% of temperature variation not  
308 accounted for by variation between the sites, the time of day, and the model locations. The  
309 strength of the effect of canopy openness on temperature in urban areas changed throughout the  
310 day, with the strongest effects from late morning until mid-afternoon (Table 1). Because natural  
311 areas had more closed canopies and less variation in canopy cover, we did not find a canopy  
312 cover-temperature relationship in natural sites. In the urban sites with both species (i.e., Crandon

313 and Red), *A. cristatellus* used locations with significantly more closed canopies than both *A.*  
314 *sagrei* and those available at random (Crandon:  $F_{2,276} = 24.4$ ,  $P < 0.001$ ; Red:  $F_{2,294} = 18.3$ ,  $P <$   
315  $0.001$ ; Fig. 2). In the urban site Gables, which had the most open canopy of all sites, *A. sagrei*  
316 used significantly more closed canopy locations than randomly available ( $t = 2.6$ ,  $df = 47.2$ ,  $P <$   
317  $0.05$ ; Fig. 2).

### 318 **Field Operative and Body Temperatures**

319 Operative temperatures ( $T_e$ ) in urban areas were  $1.5\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  warmer on average than in natural  
320 areas ( $F_{1,264.7} = 120.3$ ,  $P < 0.001$ ; Fig. 3). *Anolis cristatellus*  $T_b$  were on average  $0.9\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  higher in  
321 urban as compared to natural areas ( $F_{1,529} = 20.4$ ,  $P < 0.001$ ), however, lizard  $T_b$  at the Bear  
322 natural site did not differ from the urban sites. *Anolis sagrei*  $T_b$  were on average  $2.5\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  higher in  
323 urban compared to natural sites ( $F_{1,793} = 181.0$ ,  $P < 0.001$ ; Fig. 3). The only pair of urban sites in  
324 which *A. sagrei*  $T_b$  differed significantly was Gables and Crandon ( $t = 3.2$ ,  $df = 793$ ,  $P < 0.05$ ),  
325 with lizard  $T_b$  at Gables being  $1.0\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  higher.

### 326 **Thermal Preference**

327 The preferred temperature range (middle 50% of temperatures from the laboratory  
328 gradient) for *A. cristatellus* was between  $28.2\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  and  $31.7\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ , and the preferred temperature range  
329 for *A. sagrei* was between  $30.2\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  and  $35.7\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . Neither species differed in thermal preference  
330 between natural and urban populations. These preferences are consistent with previously  
331 reported preferred temperature ranges of *A. cristatellus* (Hertz et al., 1993; Huey & Webster,  
332 1976) and *A. sagrei* (Corn, 1971).



### 333 **Thermoregulatory Effectiveness**

334 Overall, lizard body temperatures ( $T_b$ ) exceed  $T_e$  for both species ( $F_{2,1722} = 186.8$ ,  $P <$   
335  $0.001$ ; Figs. 3, 4, 5). For each species at each site,  $T_b$  were significantly higher than  $T_e$ , except for  
336 *A. sagrei* at Gables (Figs. 3, 4, 5; Tables 2, 3).

337 For both species, in urban and natural areas, body temperatures were closer to the  
338 preferred temperature range than were operative temperatures ( $d_b < d_e$ ), with exception of *A.*  
339 *crisatellus* at Bear, suggesting that lizards actively thermoregulate at most sites (Tables 2, 3).  
340 *Anolis crisatellus* at urban and natural sites differ little in their thermoregulatory effectiveness  
341 ( $E$ ), in contrast, *A. sagrei* appears to thermoregulate more effectively in urban areas than natural  
342 areas (Tables 2, 3). The negative  $E$  value for *A. crisatellus* in the Bear natural site suggests that  
343 these lizards avoid available microhabitats within the preferred temperature range (Table 2).  
344 Furthermore, *A. sagrei* generally thermoregulates more effectively than *A. crisatellus*, which  
345 means that *A. sagrei* maintains  $T_b$  within  $T_{pref}$  despite  $T_e$  being further outside the  $T_{pref}$  range of  
346 this species.

347 For *A. crisatellus*, the Matheson natural site had a higher percentage of models below the  
348 preferred temperature range than the other sites, and no models were above it (Fig. 6a). As  
349 shown by the  $E$  values, *A. crisatellus* in natural and urban sites have similar percentages of  
350 lizards within their preferred temperature range (Fig. 6, Table 2). Compared to *A. sagrei*, *A.*  
351 *crisatellus* at urban sites and the natural site Bear have higher percentages of lizard  $T_b$  above the  
352 preferred temperature range (Figs. 6b-d, 7).

353 For *A. sagrei*, urban sites Crandon and Red were similar to natural sites in that they had a  
354 high percentage of  $T_e$  below the preferred temperature range (Fig. 7a-d). Despite having similar  
355  $T_e$  profiles as natural sites, lizards in the Crandon and Red urban sites are most often found

356 within their preferred temperature range (Fig. 7c, d). In contrast, the more urbanized sites of  
357 Gables and UM had low percentages of  $T_e$  (and  $T_b$ ) below the preferred range (Fig. 7e, f). The  
358 percentage of lizard  $T_b$  within their preferred range was similar across all urban sites (Fig. 7c-f).

### 359 **Occupancy Limitations**

360 Both species co-occur at urban sites Red and Crandon. Where the species occur alone, a  
361 greater portion of  $T_e$  values are within their preferred range compared to the preferred range of  
362 the other species, except for the natural sites where *A. sagrei* are found (Tables 4). At the time of  
363 this study, these natural sites (Barnes and Montgomery) were outside the distribution of *A.*  
364 *crisatellus* in Miami.

### 365 **Thermal Performance**

366 Optimal performance temperature, maximal sprint speed, and thermal performance  
367 breadth did not differ between urban and natural lizards for either species. However, compared to  
368 *A. crisatellus*, *A. sagrei* had a higher optimal performance temperature ( $T_{opt}$ ; 37.99 °C vs. 33.96  
369 °C) and greater maximal sprint speed (1.74 ms<sup>-1</sup> vs. 1.40 ms<sup>-1</sup>). Furthermore, the temperatures at  
370 which *A. sagrei* could achieve 95% and 80% of  $T_{opt}$  (performance breadth:  $T_{br}$ ) were higher than  
371 those for *A. crisatellus* (95%  $T_{br}$  *A. crisatellus*: 30.85 °C – 34.95 °C, *A. sagrei*: 34.38 °C –  
372 38.37 °C; 80%  $T_{br}$  *A. crisatellus*: 25.66 °C – 35.58 °C, *A. sagrei*: 29.70 °C – 39.22 °C). See S5  
373 in the supporting information for a TPC figure and table for TPC values.

374 For both species, compared to natural areas, operative temperatures in urban areas  
375 provide more access to the temperatures at which lizards can achieve 95% optimal performance  
376 (*A. crisatellus*:  $X^2= 39.1$ ,  $df= 1$ ,  $p < 0.001$ ; *A. sagrei*:  $X^2= 105.3$ ,  $df= 1$ ,  $p < 0.001$ ) (Table 6).

377 Operative temperatures in urban areas provide more access to the temperatures at which lizards

378 can achieve 80% optimal performance for *A. sagrei* ( $X^2= 100.3$ ,  $df= 1$ ,  $p < 0.001$ ), but urban and  
379 natural sites were equal for *A. cristatellus*.

380 Lizards were found at body temperatures conferring 80% and 95% of optimal  
381 performance more often in urban areas than in natural areas (80%  $T_{br}$  *A. cristatellus*:  $X^2= 5.1$ ,  $df=$   
382  $1$ ,  $p < 0.05$ ; 80%  $T_{br}$  *A. sagrei*:  $X^2= 72.1$ ,  $df= 1$ ,  $p < 0.001$ ; 95%  $T_{br}$  *A. cristatellus*:  $X^2= 32.2$ ,  $df=$   
383  $1$ ,  $p < 0.001$ ; 95%  $T_{br}$  *A. sagrei*:  $X^2= 55.1$ ,  $df= 1$ ,  $p < 0.001$ ; Table 5).

## 384 **DISCUSSION**

385 Urbanization converts natural habitats into landscapes dominated by open space and  
386 human-made structures, altering the thermal environment for small ectotherms. As predicted, we  
387 found that canopies were over three times more open in urban areas (32%) than natural areas  
388 (9%; Fig. 1), contributing to increased mean operative temperatures in urban habitats. These  
389 findings support patterns of higher temperatures in urban areas, which are strongly influenced by  
390 reduced tree cover (Georgi & Zafiriadis, 2006; Zhou, Huang, & Cadenasso, 2011). We further  
391 demonstrated this relationship at a scale relevant to small ectotherms, highlighting the variation  
392 in both canopy cover and thermal availability within urban areas. Not only were operative  
393 temperatures higher in urban areas, but lizard body temperatures were also higher. Our study is  
394 one of the first to demonstrate the consequences of urban heat islands for small ectotherms. Our  
395 mechanistic perspective revealed that urban and natural areas represent distinct thermal  
396 microhabitats in which ectotherms may experience shifts in thermoregulatory costs and changes  
397 in the constraints on temperature-dependent activity and performance, which should ultimately  
398 influence their ability to persist these habitats.

399 How increased temperatures in urban areas influence thermoregulatory costs for small  
400 ectotherms and thus the thermal suitability of urban habitats will vary both by a species'

401 physiological traits and the availability of thermal microhabitat. Even though urban areas  
402 increase the availability of warm, sunny patches, for some species they could be distributed such  
403 that an urban area is too open, without enough nearby shade, increasing thermoregulatory costs  
404 for that species (Angilletta, 2009; Huey, 1974; Huey & Slatkin, 1976). However, in our sites,  
405 lower  $d_e$  values in urban sites (with exception in Bear natural site, discussed below), indicate  
406 reduced mean deviation of operative temperatures from the preferred temperature range for the  
407 species present. In this sense, energetic costs of moving to warm patches will be lower when the  
408 frequency of sunny patches is increased (Gunderson & Leal, 2012). Thermoregulation is also  
409 used to decrease body temperature, and therefore ectotherms incur costs when operative  
410 temperatures exceed thermal preferences (common in our study) or tolerances (rare in our study).  
411 In these cases, such as for *A. sagrei* at the Gables urban site where lizards used locations with  
412 more canopy cover than randomly available, thermoregulatory costs may increase in urban areas,  
413 as lizards seek out scarce or widely separated cool, shaded spots to reduce  $T_b$  (Vickers,  
414 Manicom, & Schwarzkopf, 2011). In addition to the presence of sunny and shady microhabitats,  
415 their spatial distribution also determines thermoregulatory costs (Sears & Angilletta, 2015). Our  
416 study prioritized comparing operative and body temperatures for urban and natural sites, rather  
417 than their arrangement within sites, but future studies could evaluate how the spatial distribution  
418 of sunny and shady patches in urban areas influences thermoregulatory costs. We expect that  
419 buildings have a strong impact on thermoregulatory costs related to moving between patches,  
420 such that a single side of a building can be entirely shaded for several hours, while just a short  
421 distance away, perhaps around a corner, lizards could access full sun or a mixture of sunny and  
422 shady locations. Thermoregulatory costs are important to consider because they determine the  
423 ease with which ectotherms can achieve optimal temperatures for performance and maintain

424 preferred temperatures, which should ultimately influence fitness (Gunderson & Leal, 2015;  
425 Huey & Berrigan, 2001).

426 For *A. sagrei*, urban areas increase access to preferred body temperatures, which should  
427 result in higher rates of activity. Temperature is one of the most important drivers of ectotherm  
428 activity (e.g. foraging, territory defense, and mating) and occurs at its highest levels when  
429 organisms are within their range of preferred body temperatures (Grant & Dunham, 1988;  
430 Gunderson & Leal, 2016). Despite increased mean temperatures in urban areas, urban  
431 populations of our study species did not have warm-shifted thermal performance curves or  
432 higher thermal preferences. Because *A. sagrei* can spend more time within  $T_{pref}$  in urban sites,  
433 this species may benefit from the thermal microhabitats of urban areas, likely reproducing at  
434 higher rates than in natural habitat (Huey & Berrigan, 2001). For example, in more open, warmer  
435 habitat compared to cooler, close-canopied forest, female *A. cristatellus* in Puerto Rico were  
436 more likely to be reproductive year-round, likely due to increased basking opportunities to  
437 achieve higher body temperatures (Otero, Huey, & Gorman, 2015). Furthermore, higher  $E$  values  
438 for *A. sagrei* in urban sites indicate that even when operative temperatures deviate far from  
439 preferred temperatures, lizards still precisely thermoregulate to maintain body temperatures  
440 within the preferred range (Hertz et al., 1993). Therefore, urban habitats are more favorable for  
441 *A. sagrei*, which may have trouble persisting in more close-canopied sites, such as forested  
442 habitats, that restrict their ability to achieve higher body temperatures. It is important to note that  
443 while costs of thermoregulation may be lower in urban sites, Basson et al. (2017) showed that  
444 even in a low-quality thermal habitat with high thermoregulatory costs in the lab, *Cordylus*  
445 lizards prioritized maintaining  $T_b$  within  $T_{pref}$ . It may be necessary to maintain warmer body  
446 temperatures that confer higher activity in urban habitats in the Miami area, even if costly, to

447 successfully compete with multiple other introduced and native anoles (Kolbe et al., 2007), or  
448 manage urban predation pressure (Chejanovski, Avilés-Rodríguez, Lapiedra, Preisser, & Kolbe,  
449 2017).

450 In contrast to *A. sagrei*, *A. cristatellus* may not find urban sites more favorable than  
451 natural habitat. The thermoregulatory effectiveness ( $E$ ) for *Anolis cristatellus* was not  
452 significantly different between urban and natural sites (Table 2). These values are similar to  
453 estimates for *A. cristatellus* in xeric habitats (warm and dry) in their native range, where lizards  
454 actively thermoregulate (Gunderson & Leal, 2012). However, thermoregulatory effectiveness  
455 was negative in the Bear natural site. Negative  $E$  values suggest lizards are avoiding or restricted  
456 from using sites with preferred temperatures, perhaps due to predation pressure or competitors  
457 (Hertz et al., 1993), but unfortunately we could not identify any obvious factors causing this at  
458 the Bear site. In urban areas, operative and body temperatures for *A. cristatellus* were less often  
459 within preferred temperature range, which suggests that urban areas may constrain activity for  
460 this species. Similarly, Kaiser et al. (2016) found that a more-thermophilic butterfly species had  
461 increased survival and greater body size in urban areas than did a woodland species adapted for  
462 cooler conditions. Furthermore, if operative temperatures too frequently exceed thermal  
463 tolerances, or if the habitat lacks enough cool refuges, certain ectotherms could be excluded from  
464 urban areas altogether (Chown & Duffy, 2015). Interestingly, Hall and Warner (2017) found that  
465 female *A. cristatellus* from one of our urban sites, Red, had greater body condition and fecundity  
466 than lizards from one of our natural sites, Matheson. Our findings on operative and body  
467 temperatures suggest that factors other than temperature likely contribute to body condition and  
468 fecundity increases. Certainly, animals in urban areas have been found to express a longer  
469 reproductive period than in their natural habitat, but other determinants, such as food availability,

470 may be important as well (Lowry, Lill, & Wong, 2013). However, Hall and Warner (2017) found  
471 that fecundity increased in urban areas because females began laying eggs earlier in their lab  
472 setting. We conducted our study in the summer, but urban areas may be more favorable to *A.*  
473 *crisatellus* during other seasons if urban areas reach preferred temperatures more often than  
474 natural areas, such as earlier in the spring when reproductive activity is beginning (Gorman &  
475 Licht, 1974; Hall & Warner, 2017; Lee, Clayton, Eisenstein, & Perez, 1989). The different  
476 responses to urban habitats of the lizard species in our study show that warmer urban habitats  
477 will not benefit all ectotherms equally.

478         Beyond the thermal suitability for a single species, competition on thermal niche axes can  
479 further limit persistence. For instance, in the Matheson natural site, which had the lowest mean  
480 operative temperatures, 40% of operative temperatures are within the preferred range of *A.*  
481 *crisatellus*, whereas only 3% would be within the preferred range of *A. sagrei* (Table 4).  
482 Similarly, in Puerto Rico, *A. crisatellus* and *A. gundlachi* both occupy forest habitats, but only  
483 *A. gundlachi* is found above ~300 m elevation (Gorman & Hillman, 1977). The mean available  
484 temperature in the forest above 300 m is at the low threshold for activity of *A. crisatellus*, but in  
485 the middle of activity range for *A. gundlachi* (Gunderson & Leal, 2016; Gorman & Hillman,  
486 1977). Both species in our study co-occur along the edges of the Matheson forest patch, which is  
487 < 1 km away from our urban site Red, but *A. sagrei* was never found in the forest at Matheson.  
488 With conditions in almost the entire forest below its  $T_{pref}$ , *A. sagrei* cannot reach activity levels  
489 to forage, mate and defend territories effectively. This likely puts *A. sagrei* at a competitive  
490 disadvantage, and it may be excluded from large, forested areas with *A. crisatellus* in Miami.  
491 Similarly, at the Gables urban site, 62% of  $T_e$  are within the preferred range of *A. sagrei*, but  
492 only 26% are within the preferred range of *A. crisatellus* (Table 4). With greater potential for

493 higher activity rates, *A. sagrei* has a substantial competitive advantage. Yet, not all types of  
494 urban habitat exclude *A. cristatellus*. In the sites with both species (i.e., Crandon and Red), *A.*  
495 *sagrei*, which preferred warmer temperatures, selected microhabitats with more open canopies  
496 and achieved higher  $T_b$  than did *A. cristatellus* (Fig. 2). These sites differed from the two urban  
497 sites with only *A. sagrei* in that the operative temperature distributions encompassed the  $T_{pref}$   
498 ranges of both species. While competition between these two species could influence divergence  
499 in thermal traits,  $T_{pref}$  ranges did not differ between allopatry and sympatry in either species. Yet,  
500 divergence in  $T_{pref}$  allows them to partition the thermal niche, at least in some habitats  
501 (Magnuson, Crowder, & Medvick, 1979; Paterson & Blouin-Demers, 2017). Interestingly, the  
502 natural sites that *A. sagrei* occupies, Barnes and Montgomery, seem more favorable to *A.*  
503 *cristatellus* than for *A. sagrei* (Table 4). If *A. cristatellus* is ever transported to these natural sites  
504 or expands its distribution to include them, we predict that *A. sagrei* would be out-competed and  
505 displaced by *A. cristatellus*, which is better suited thermally for these forested areas (Kolbe et al.  
506 2016).

507         The success and spread of introduced species will rely upon suitable thermal  
508 microhabitats for persistence. Abiotic factors, such as temperature, play an important role in  
509 where invasive species can or cannot persist (Bomford, Kraus, Barry, & Lawrence, 2009; Ulrichs  
510 & Hopper, 2008; Zenni & Nuñez, 2013). Because urbanization greatly increases species  
511 introductions (Shochat et al., 2010), the concurrent temperature increases associated with urban  
512 areas may enhance ectotherm invasion success for some species. In our case, numerous  
513 populations of *A. sagrei* have been documented outside their native range, often associated with  
514 human activity (Campbell, 1996; Godley, Lohrer, Layne, & Rossi, 1981; Kolbe, Ehrenberger,  
515 Moniz, & Angilletta, 2014; Norval, Mao, Chu, & Chen, 2002), and the favorability of urban



516 thermal conditions for *A. sagrei* is likely a key factor in this species' invasion success (Angetter,  
517 Lötters, & Rödder, 2011). Outside of anoles, warmer conditions and human habitat modification  
518 improve the invasion success of the Argentine ant in many locations around the world (Roura-  
519 Pascual et al., 2011). However, even ectotherms that benefit from warmer temperatures are still  
520 limited by low temperatures due to seasonality or elevation (Angilletta, 2009; Sunday, Bates, &  
521 Dulvy, 2012). Urban areas may increase mean daily temperatures overall, but the magnitude and  
522 effect depends on the regional climate (Imhoff et al., 2010; Roth, Oke, & Emery, 1989). Yet,  
523 anole species have been shown to decrease their low-temperature tolerance by acclimation  
524 (Kolbe et al., 2012), and *A. sagrei*  $CT_{min}$  decreases with increasing latitude (Kolbe et al., 2014).  
525 Flexibility in low temperature tolerance combined with increased activity time and reduced  
526 thermoregulatory costs may make cities more favorable for invasive species like *A. sagrei*.

527         Alternatively, *A. cristatellus* represents an example of the opposite effect of urbanization  
528 on invasion. In a study exploring the spread of *A. cristatellus* in Miami, Kolbe et al. (2016) found  
529 that this species is positively associated with dense vegetation, high canopy cover, and forest  
530 patches, thus limiting its dispersal through the fragmented city. Our study corroborates these  
531 habitat requirements and explains a possible mechanism for why very warm urban sites, where  
532 *A. sagrei* are common, may exclude *A. cristatellus*. Hourly temperature ( $T_e$ ) for the urban site  
533 Gables, for example, reveal that *A. cristatellus* could achieve preferred temperatures easily in the  
534 early mornings and evenings (Fig. 4), but this would be difficult or impossible throughout the  
535 mid-day because of the lack of canopy cover (Fig. 1). Therefore, high-temperature environments  
536 without enough thermal heterogeneity, such as this more-open urban site, can limit activity time  
537 and reduce persistence for species like *A. cristatellus* (Lara-Reséndiz, Gadsden, Rosen, Sinervo,  
538 & Méndez-De la Cruz, 2015). Furthermore, if *A. cristatellus* were in Gables or similar urban

539 locations throughout Miami, it would have the additional stress of more often needing to avoid  
540 its upper thermal tolerance ( $CT_{max}$ ) compared to the urban sites where it is found (Crandon and  
541 Red). If high temperatures limit persistence, then dispersal of introduced species with similar  
542 thermal traits throughout urban areas will be restricted. Urbanization often exists as a gradient of  
543 intensity (Luck & Wu, 2002; McDonnell & Pickett, 1990), and some levels of urban  
544 development are suitable for introduced species while others are not (Crooks, Suarez, & Bolger,  
545 2004; Grarock, Tidemann, Wood, & Lindenmayer, 2014). Research on the urban heat island  
546 effect shows a similar thermal gradient of intensity because of urban development (Rizwan et al.,  
547 2008), and variation in thermal quality may affect invasive ectotherms in a similar manner  
548 (Chown & Duffy, 2015). Indeed, our natural sites are part of an urban matrix and our urban sites  
549 are not entirely barren, suggesting our already significant results are conservative relative to  
550 more extreme comparisons on the urban-natural gradient.

551         Temperature, and other abiotic factors, likely play a major role in the persistence and  
552 spread of introduced ectotherms. Under the right thermal conditions, ectotherms can be more  
553 competitive and reproduce at greater rates than other species (Huey & Berrigan, 2001; Otero et  
554 al., 2015). In this study, we show that urbanization significantly alters thermal habitats for  
555 ectotherms, increasing both ambient temperature and the availability of warm microhabitats.  
556 Urban thermal habitat may confer decreased costs of thermoregulation for ectotherms, but urban  
557 areas in Miami impact the persistence and spread of two introduced species in opposing ways.  
558 With reduced thermoregulatory costs and increased time spent within  $T_{pref}$ , *A. sagrei* likely finds  
559 urban areas thermally superior to natural habitat in Miami. In contrast, because *A. cristatellus*  $T_b$   
560 are within  $T_{pref}$  less often in urban habitats and *A. cristatellus* is at a disadvantage competing with  
561 *A. sagrei* from a thermal perspective, they are likely excluded from much of urbanized Miami, an

562 effect that increases with urbanization. Many other factors, such as competition, predation, prey  
563 abundance, and disease, could influence persistence in urban areas. However, the thermal quality  
564 of urban habitats is certainly a fundamental aspect of urban environments for ectotherms. Our  
565 study provides a foundation for studying how the thermal characteristics of urban habitats  
566 influence ectothermic organisms. Future studies should consider these findings when evaluating  
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845 **TABLES**

846 Table 1 For each hour of lizard activity, effect of canopy openness on  $T_e$  in urban areas, degrees  
 847 of freedom in the denominator (df of numerator = 1), the coefficient estimate, and the percent of  
 848 variance explained by the canopy openness, without the random effects (marginal  $R^2$ ).

Hour	F	Denominator df	Coefficient estimate	Variance explained (marginal $R^2$ )
0700	1.76	112.7	0.00	0.01
0800	23.49**	114.0	0.06	0.16
0900	46.65**	113.9	0.10	0.28
1000	82.70**	114.0	0.11	0.41
1100	63.37**	113.6	0.10	0.32
1200	60.01**	112.9	0.10	0.29
1300	43.18**	112.1	0.07	0.18
1400	50.38**	115.6	0.07	0.23
1500	57.68**	66.5	0.05	0.33
1600	37.90**	115.9	0.04	0.20
1700	9.45*	114.9	0.03	0.04

849 \*\* $P < 0.001$ , \* $P < 0.01$

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851 Table 2 Summary statistics showing behavioral thermoregulation for *A. cristatellus* in two  
 852 natural (N) and two urban sites (U).

Site	<i>t</i> -value	$d_b$	$d_e$	$d_e - d_b$	<i>E</i> (95% CI)
Matheson (N)	<b>5.57</b>	1.18	1.68	0.50	0.296 (0.290 - 0.302)
Bear (N)	<b>4.70</b>	0.45	0.33	-0.12	-0.369 (-0.382 - -0.356)
Crandon (U)	<b>4.10</b>	0.54	0.99	0.45	0.454 (0.450 - 0.458)
Red (U)	<b>6.10</b>	0.77	1.11	0.34	0.304 (0.299 - 0.309)

853 *t*-statistic = post-hoc comparison from  $T_b$  vs  $T_e$  model (significant values,  $P < 0.05$ , in bold),  $d_b$  =  
 854 mean absolute deviation of  $T_b$  from preferred temperature range,  $d_e$  = mean absolute deviation of  
 855  $T_e$  from the preferred temperature range, *E* = effectiveness of behavioral thermoregulation (Hertz  
 856 et al., 1993) and 95% confidence interval.

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858 Table 3 Summary statistics showing behavioral thermoregulation for *A. sagrei* in two natural (N)  
 859 and four urban (U) sites.

Site	<i>t</i> -statistic	$d_b$	$d_e$	$d_e - d_b$	<i>E</i> (95% CI)
Barnes (N)	<b>6.64</b>	0.84	1.37	0.53	0.391 (0.386 - 0.397)
Montgomery (N)	<b>6.40</b>	1.00	2.45	1.45	0.587 (0.584 - 0.589)
Crandon (U)	<b>12.26</b>	0.49	1.96	1.47	0.750 (0.747 - 0.753)
Red (U)	<b>11.68</b>	0.48	1.65	1.17	0.711 (0.706 - 0.715)
Gables (U)	1.36	0.31	0.94	0.63	0.667 (0.663 - 0.672)
UM (U)	<b>6.13</b>	0.24	0.61	0.37	0.588 (0.582 - 0.594)

860 *t*-statistic = post-hoc comparison from  $T_b$  vs  $T_e$  model (significant values,  $P < 0.05$ , in bold),  $d_b$  -  
 861 = mean absolute deviation of  $T_b$  from preferred temperature range,  $d_e$  = mean absolute deviation  
 862 of  $T_e$  from the preferred temperature range, *E* = effectiveness of behavioral thermoregulation  
 863 (Hertz et al., 1993) and 95% confidence interval.

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865 Table 4. The percentage of time that operative temperatures ( $T_e$ ) are within the preferred  
 866 temperature range ( $T_{pref}$ ) for the species that is present at a site (i.e., *A. cristatellus* at Matheson  
 867 and Bear, and *A. sagrei* at Barnes, Montgomery, Gables, and UM), and the predicted values for  
 868 the absent species if it were to occur there. Sites where the absent species is predicted to find the  
 869 thermal conditions more suitable than the species currently occupying that site are in bold.

Site	Percentage of time $T_e$ is within $T_{pref}$	
	Actual % for Species Present	Predicted % for Species Absent
	<i>A. cristatellus</i>	<i>A. sagrei</i>
Matheson	40.1%	3.1%
Bear	68.8%	34.1%
	<i>A. sagrei</i>	<i>A. cristatellus</i>
<b>Barnes</b>	<b>36.7%</b>	<b>65.9%</b>
<b>Montgomery</b>	<b>14.5%</b>	<b>28.7%</b>
Gables	62.4%	26.1%
UM	68.1%	38.7%

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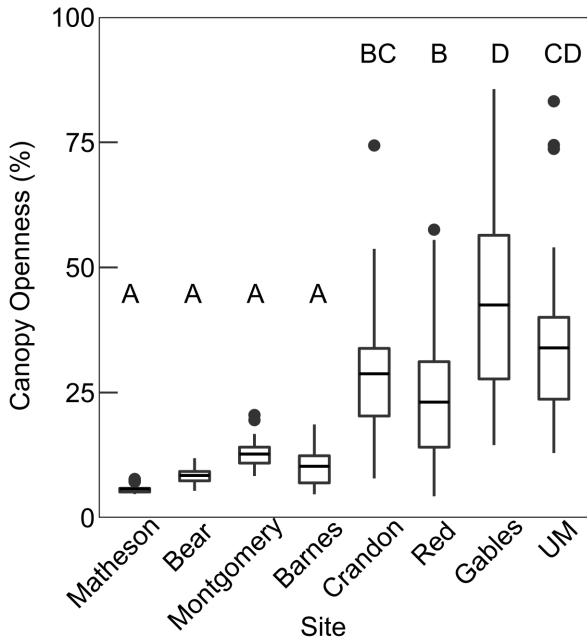
872 Table 5 Percentage of time operative and body temperatures are within the 95% and 80%  
 873 performance ranges estimated from the thermal performance curves of lizards from natural and  
 874 urban areas.

Site Type	Operative Temperature		Body Temperature	
	95% T <sub>Br</sub>	80% T <sub>Br</sub>	95% T <sub>Br</sub>	80% T <sub>Br</sub>
<i>A. cristatellus</i>				
Natural	13.5%	76.2%	39.0%	90.2%
Urban	22.3%	75.6%	63.9%	95.5%
<i>A. sagrei</i>				
Natural	0.3%	31.0%	4.2%	60.2%
Urban	8.9%	48.0%	26.4%	86.9%

875 95% T<sub>Br</sub> = range of temperatures that confer 95% P<sub>max</sub>; 80% T<sub>Br</sub> = range of temperatures that  
 876 confer 80% P<sub>max</sub>.

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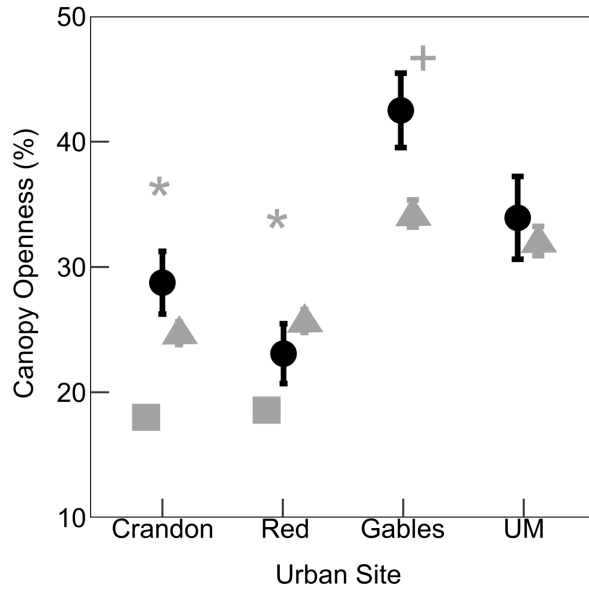
878 **FIGURES**



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880 Figure 1 Mean percentage canopy openness (horizontal line) at random model locations, middle  
881 50% of values (box), values within 1.5 times the interquartile range (whiskers), and outlying  
882 values (points) for each site. Different letters denote statistically significance differences ( $P <$   
883  $0.05$ ) in mean values among sites based on Tukey-HSD post hoc tests.

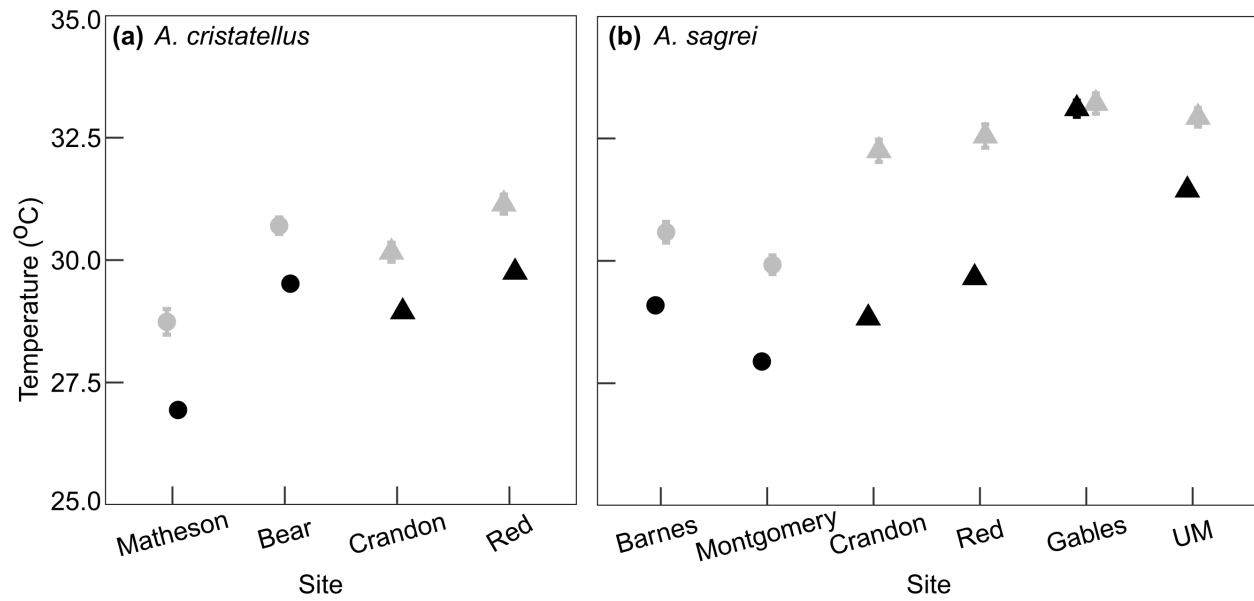
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886 Figure 2 Mean canopy openness ( $\pm$  S.E.) of model locations (random availability; black) and  
 887 microhabitats used by *A. cristatellus* (grey squares) and *A. sagrei* (grey triangles) for the urban  
 888 sites. Asterisks indicate that *A. cristatellus* uses significantly shadier microhabitats than those  
 889 randomly available. The plus sign indicates that *A. sagrei* uses significantly shadier  
 890 microhabitats than those randomly available. Error bars are not visible in some cases when  
 891 smaller than the symbol for the mean value. Natural sites are not included because the variation  
 892 in canopy cover was too low for meaningful interpretation.

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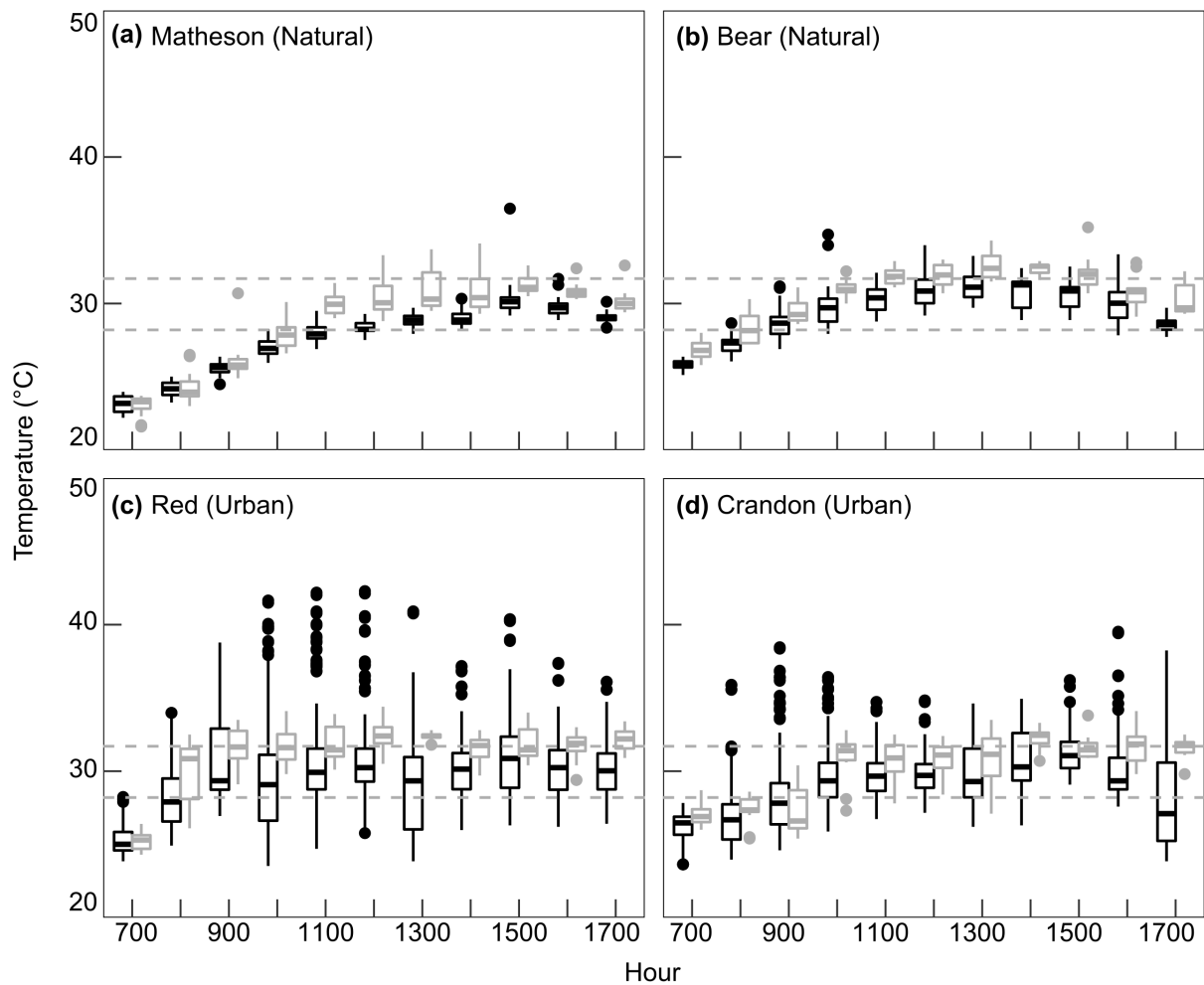
895 Figure 3 Mean ( $\pm$  S.E.) operative (black) and lizard body (grey) temperatures in natural (circles)

896 and urban (triangles) sites for A) *A. cristatellus* and B) *A. sagrei*. Data points are mean

897 temperatures for lizards captured during all times of the day sampled (0700–1800). Error bars are

898 not visible in some cases when smaller than symbols for mean values.

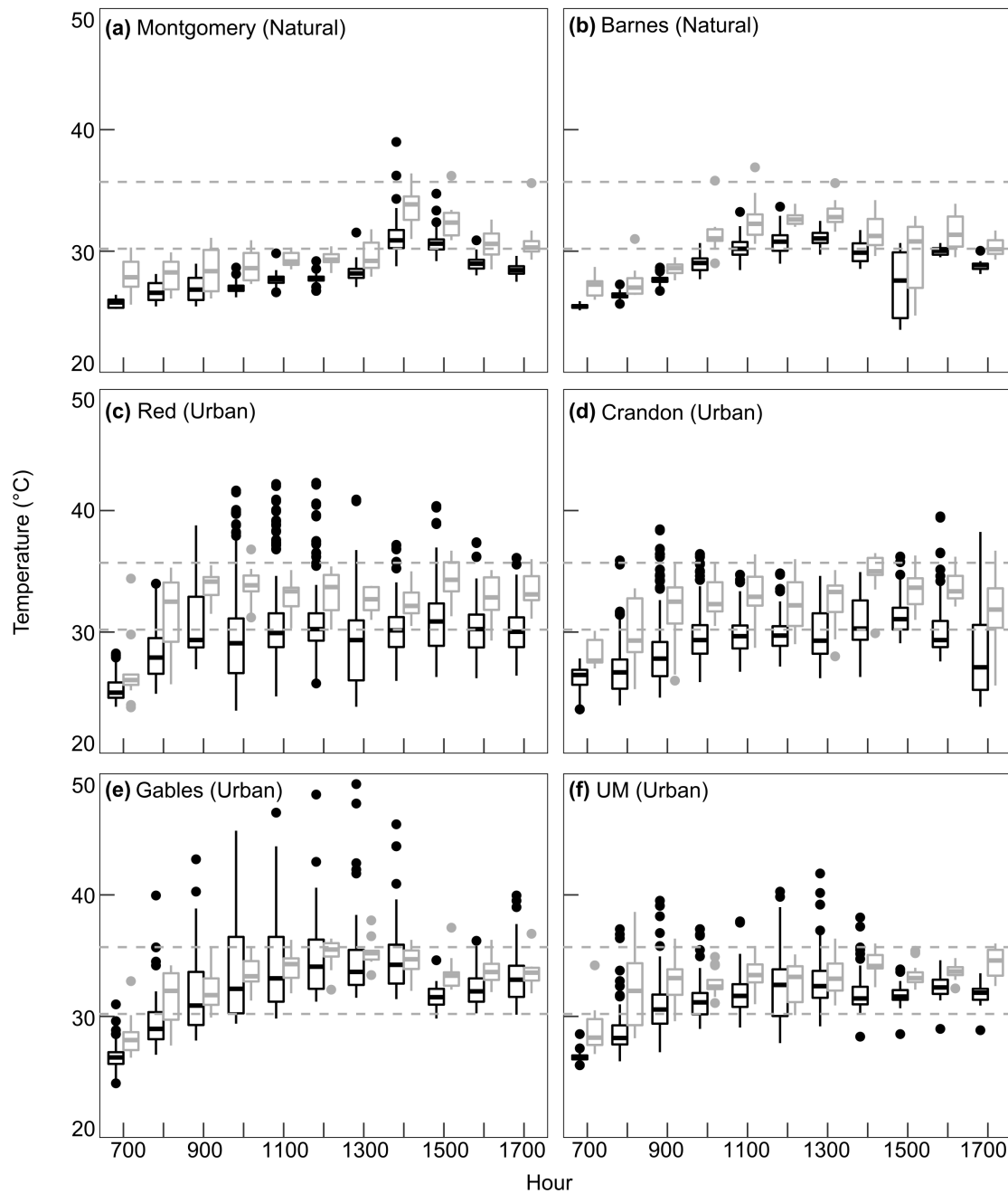
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 901 Figure 4 Boxplots showing operative temperatures (black) and lizard body temperatures for *A.*  
 902 *crisatellus* (grey) throughout the day at each site with *A. crisatellus* present. Area between the  
 903 dashed lines denotes the preferred temperature range as measured by a thermal gradient in the  
 904 lab. For each hour of the day sampled, box plots show the median value (line within box), middle  
 905 50% of data (box), and values within 1.5 times the interquartile range (whiskers), with individual  
 906 points as outlying data. See S4 in the online supporting information for panels of Red and  
 907 Crandon (here, c & d) that also include *A. sagrei* body temperatures.

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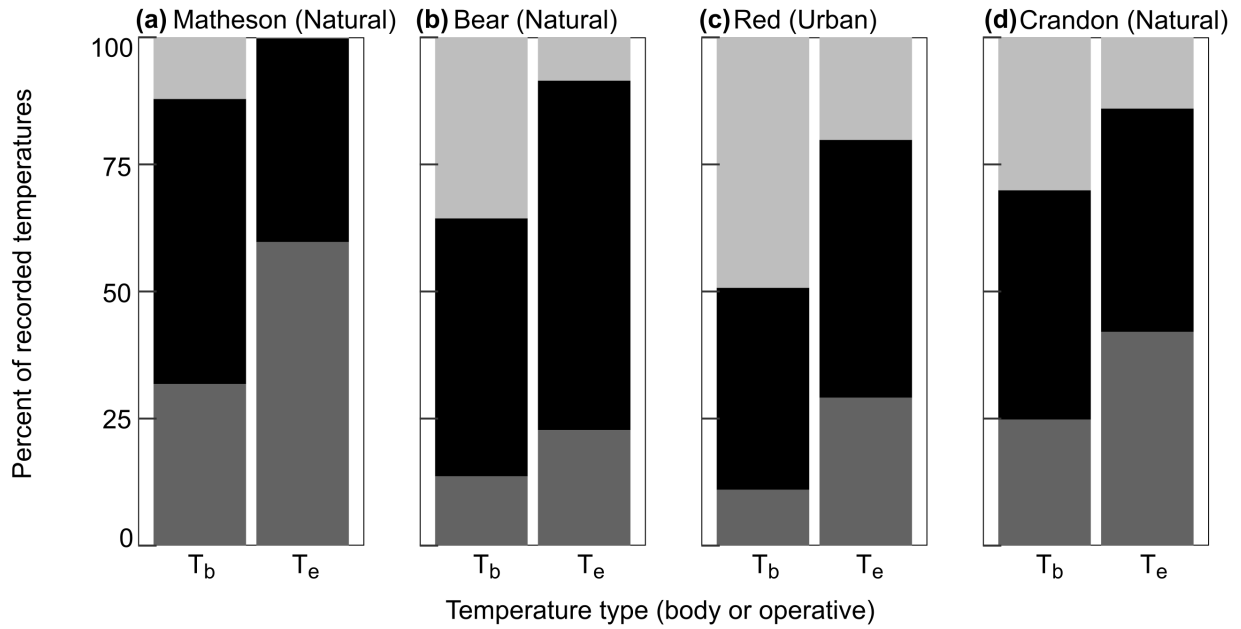


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911 Figure 5 Boxplots showing operative temperatures (black) and lizard body temperatures for *A.*  
 912 *sagrei* (grey) throughout the day at each site with *A. sagrei* present. Area between the dashed  
 913 lines denotes the preferred temperature range as measured by a thermal gradient in the lab.  
 914 For each hour of the day sampled, box plots show the median value (line within box), middle 50% of

915 data (box), and values within 1.5 times the interquartile range (whiskers), with individual points  
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917 (here, c & d) that also include *A. cristatellus* body temperatures.

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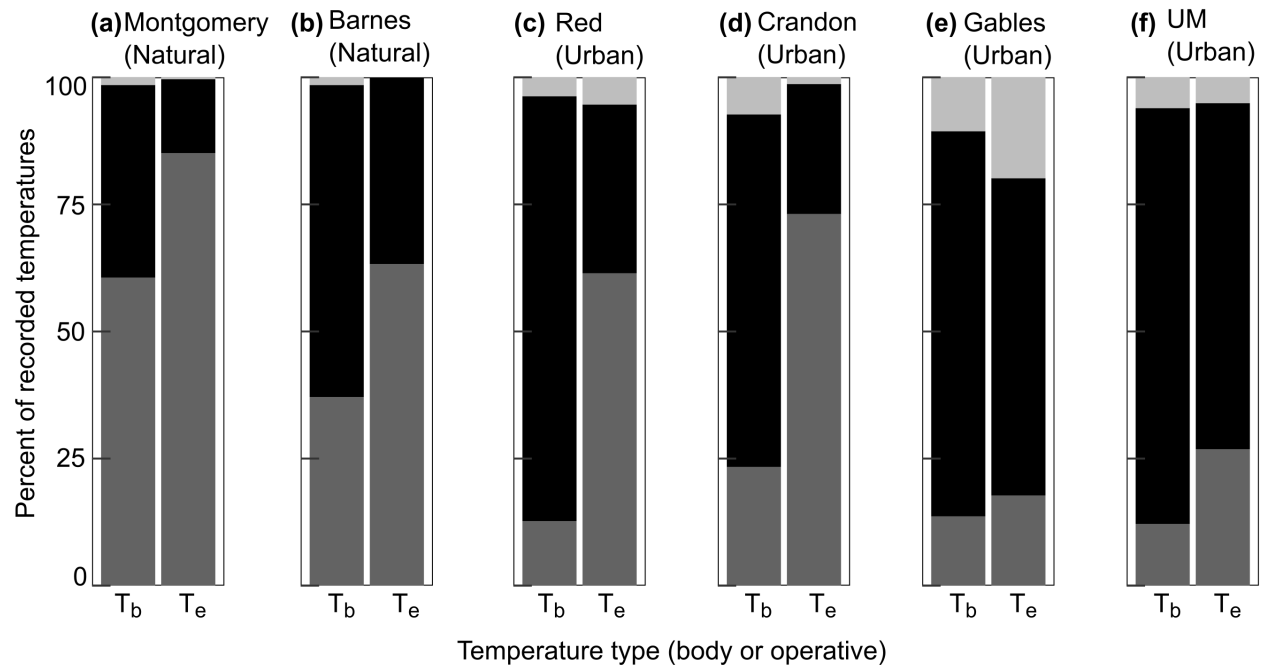
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920 Figure 6 Percentage of body and operative temperatures below (dark grey), within (black), and

921 above (light grey) the preferred temperature range ( $28.2^{\circ}\text{C} - 31.7^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) for *A. cristatellus*. Each

922 panel is a site where the species was present.

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925 Figure 7 Percentage of body and operative temperatures below (dark grey), within (black), and  
 926 above (light grey) the preferred temperature range ( $30.2^{\circ}\text{C} - 35.7^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) for *A. sagrei*. Each panel is  
 927 a site where the species was present

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