

**Supplementary Appendix for Adams *et al.*, “Mountain Pine Beetles Colonizing Historical
and Naïve Host Trees are Associated with a Bacterial Community Highly Enriched in
Genes Contributing to Terpene Metabolism”**

Table S1. Summary and phylogenetic assignment of the twelve DGGE bands sequenced.

Phyla/Class	OTU. no.	Accession no./bp	Closest match	% Identity to match
Actinobacteria	27	JF810915 / 342	<i>Micrococcus endophyticus</i>	100
β-Proteobacteria	15	JF810916 / 345	<i>Massilia aurea</i>	98
γ-Proteobacteria	2	JF810917 / 213	<i>Pseudomonas viridiflava</i>	99
	6	JF810918 / 331	<i>Serratia fonticola</i>	100
	7	JF810919 / 298	<i>Acinetobacter johnsonii</i>	97
	16	JF810920 / 266	<i>Serratia fonticola</i>	97
	17	JF810921 / 327	<i>Pseudomonas viridiflava</i>	99
	18	JF810922 / 331	<i>Pantoea agglomerans</i>	99
	23	JF810923 / 331	<i>Pseudoxanthomonas spadix</i>	100
	24	JF810924 / 333	<i>Serratia nematodiphila</i>	99
	25	JF810925 / 333	<i>Serratia nematodiphila</i>	99
	29	JF810926 / 327	<i>Serratia fonticola</i>	100

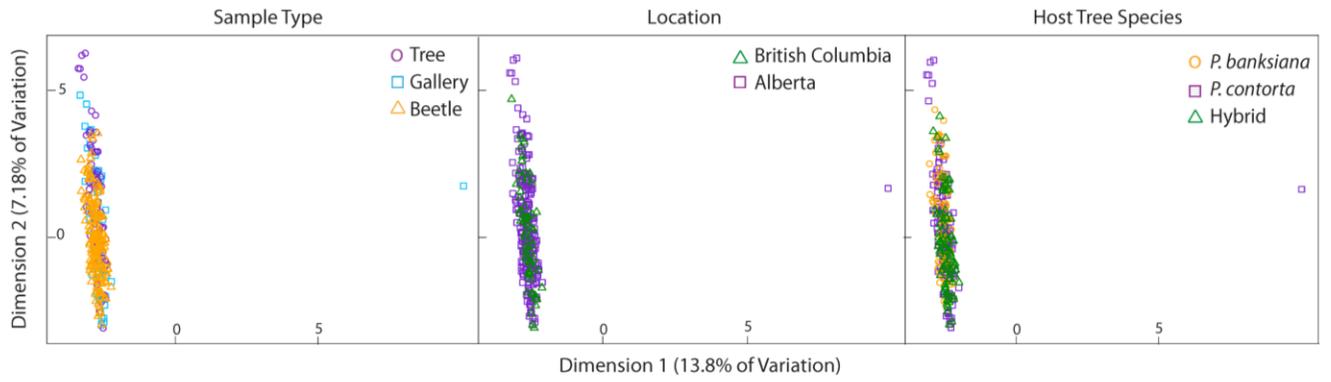


Figure S1. Principle Component Analysis of DGGE data (A) Tree vs Beetle; (B) Hybrid pine vs Lodgepole pine (C) Alberta (AB) vs British Colombia (BC).

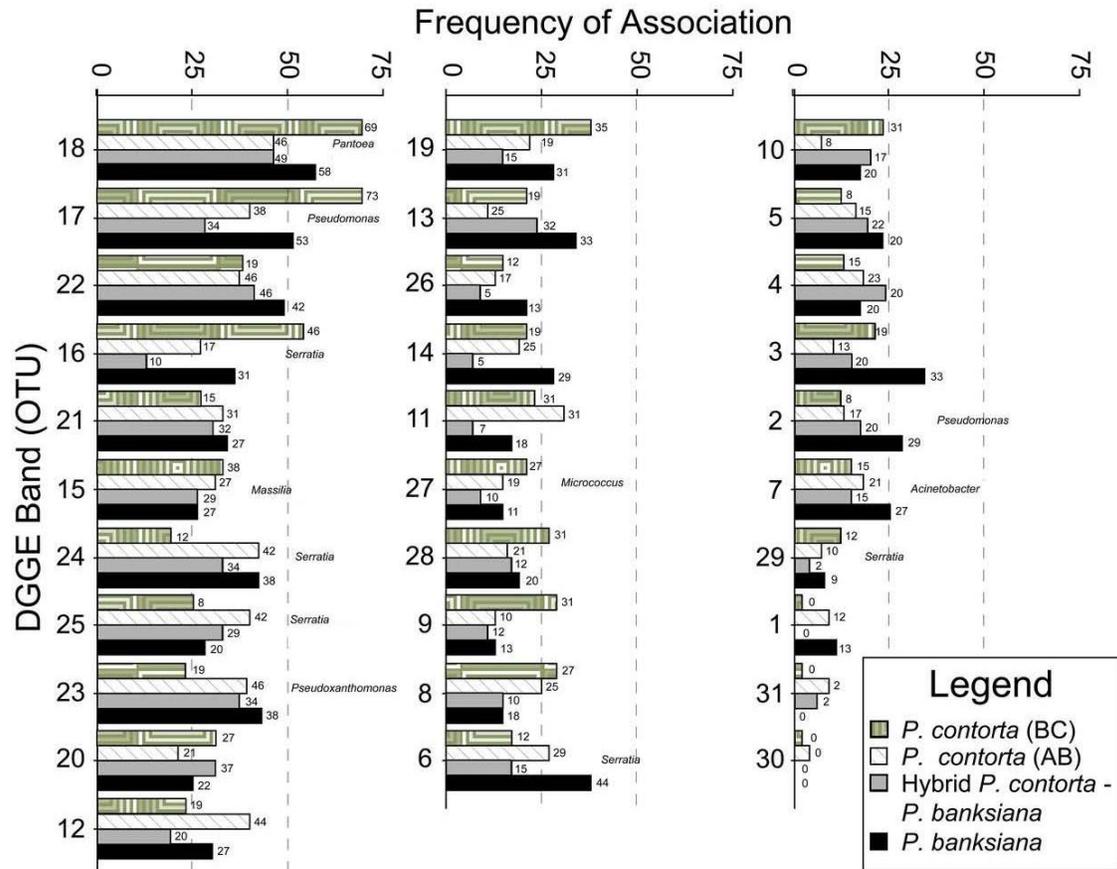


Figure S2. Frequency of association for DGGE bands across all samples from Alberta (AB) and British Columbia (BC). An OTU analysis was performed to identify the identity of specific sequences as shown at the genus level.

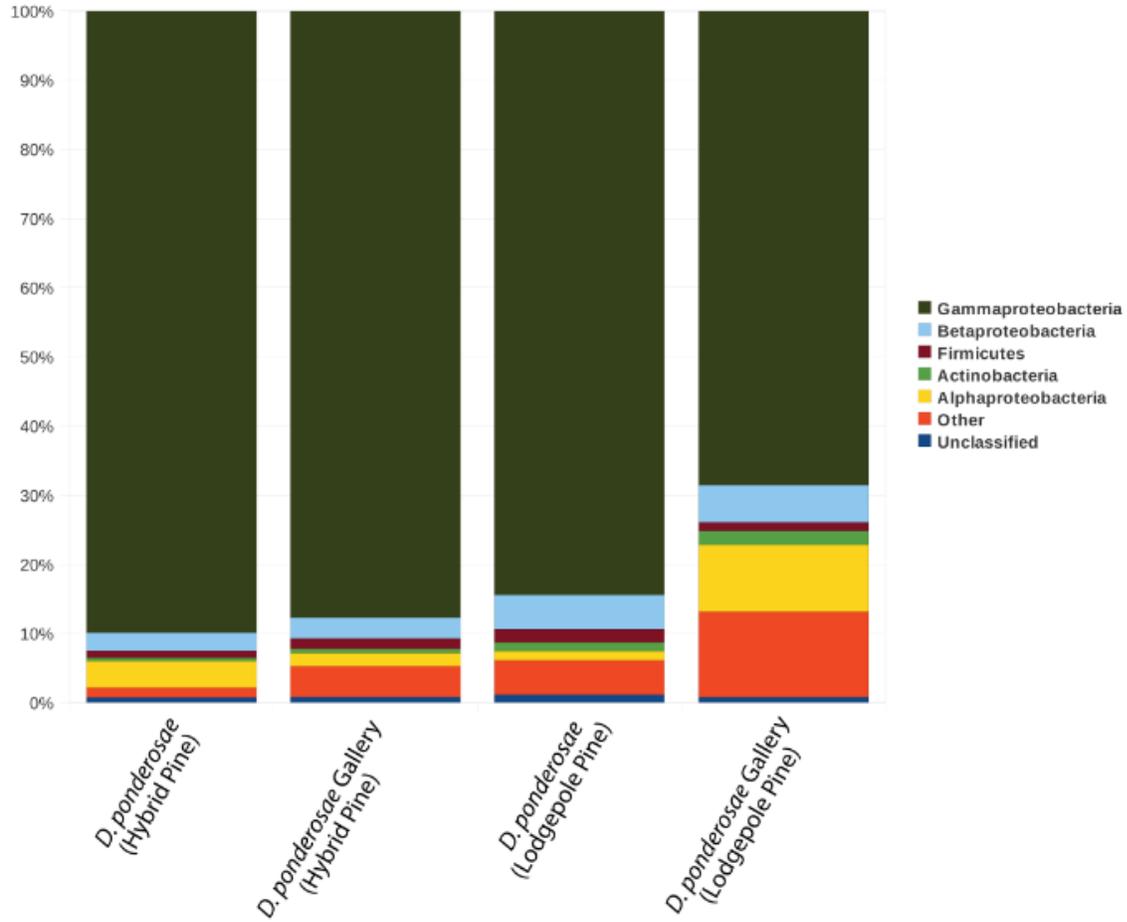


Figure S3. Phylogenetic binning analysis of four beetle-associated community metagenomes. Only those phyla/groups with greater than 1% representation are shown.

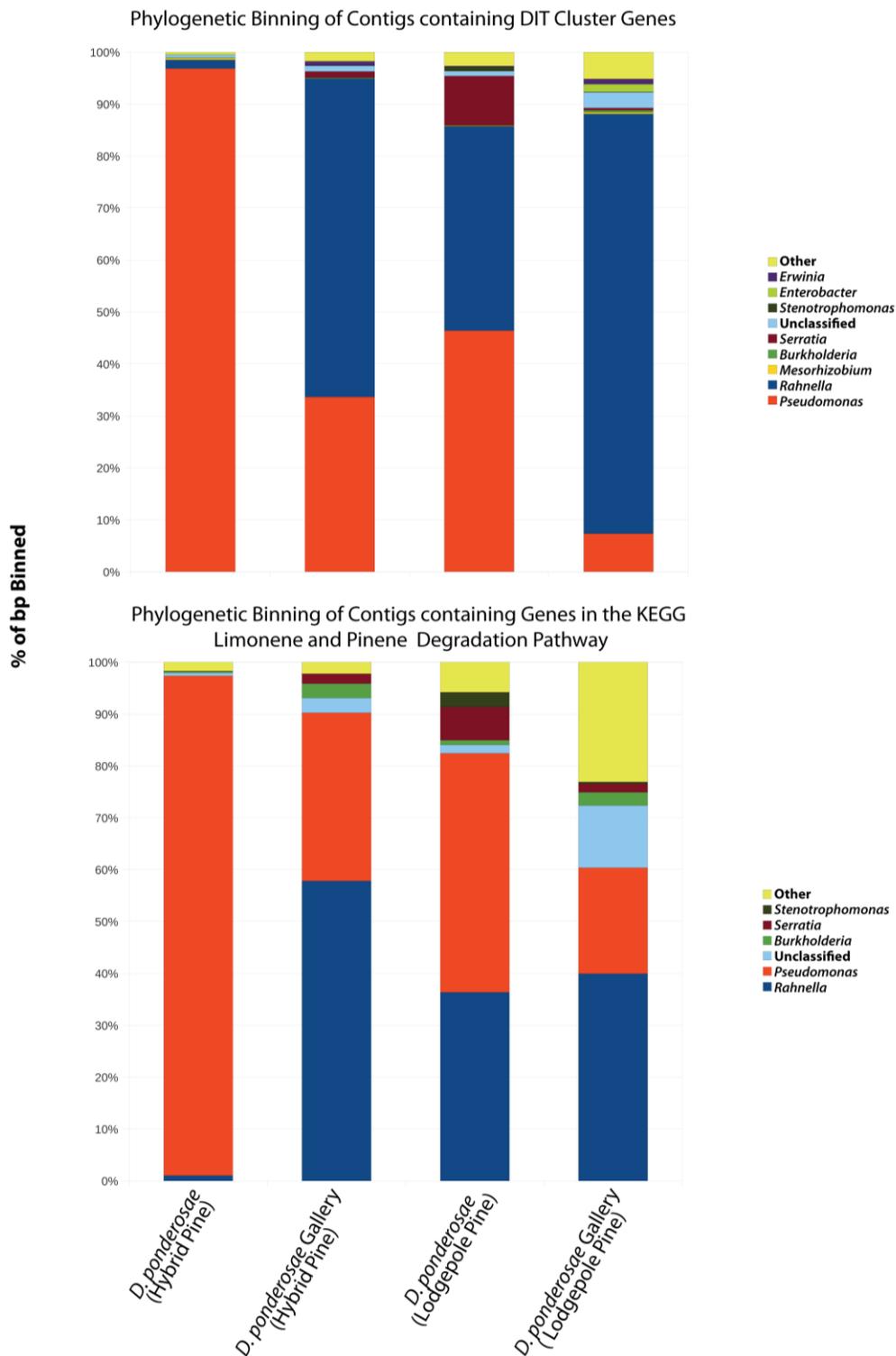


Figure S4. Phylogenetic binning analysis of monoterpene and diterpene genes identified in four beetle-associated metagenomes. Only those genera with greater than 1% representation are shown.

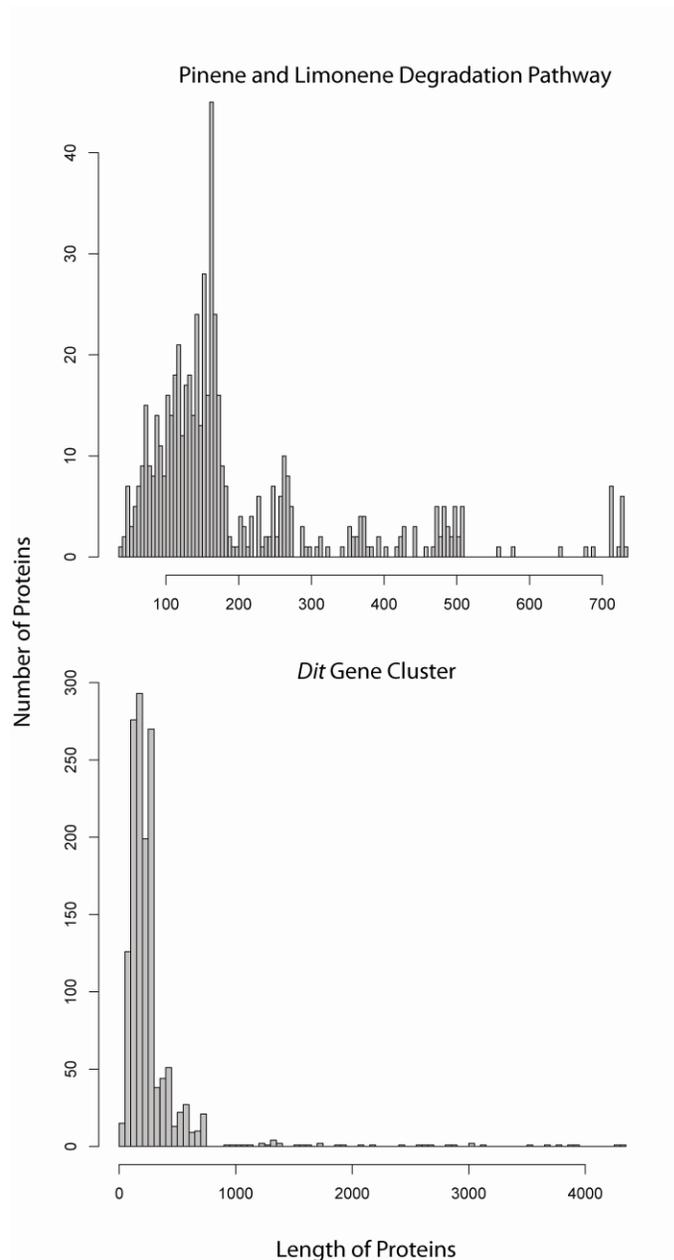


Figure S5. Length in amino acids of the proteins in the four mountain pine beetle-associated community metagenomes that are annotated as belonging to the KEGG Limonene and Pinene Degradation Pathway or have homology to proteins in the *dit* gene cluster.

1 **SI Text**

2 **Materials and Methods**

3 **DGGE PCR Processing and Analysis.** Individual adult beetles were surface washed in the
4 laboratory in 70% ethanol for 1 minute, and ground separately in 1 ml PBS. Phloem from gallery
5 and unattacked tree samples were rinsed in PBS, and ground separately in 1 ml PBS. Total DNA
6 was extracted as described in the DNeasy Blood & Tissue Kit (Qiagen, Valencia, CA, USA).
7 PCR amplification and DGGE conditions were performed as described previously (1, 2). Briefly,
8 nested PCR was performed on all samples under sterile conditions using the conserved 16S
9 rRNA gene primers. Initial PCR was performed using 27f (5'-AGA GTT TGA TCM TGG CTC
10 AG-3') and 1492r (5'-GGT TAC CTT GTT ACG ACT T-3') primers (2). Reaction conditions
11 were as follows: 1 ul of template DNA was amplified with Promega Taq (Promega, Madison,
12 WI, USA) with thermal cycler conditions: 20 cycles of 94 °C for 30 sec, 55 °C for 30 sec and 72
13 °C for 30 sec. Targeted PCR was performed with the clamped primer 536fC (5'-CGC CCG CCG
14 CGC CCC GCG CCC GGC CCG CCG CCC CCG CCCC CWT AAT GGC GCC GMC GAC-
15 3') and 907r (5'-CCC CGT CAA TTC CTT TGA GTT T-3'), that span variable region V4 of
16 bacterial 16S rDNA. PCR amplicons were separated via DGGE using a D-Code system (Bio-
17 Rad Laboratories, Hercules, CA). Each gel contained two sets of internal standards to allow
18 cross-gel comparisons: 100 bp ladder (Sigma-Aldrich, St. Louis, MO, USA) and a separate lane
19 with approximately 700 ng of PCR product amplified from two *D. ponderosae* samples. A linear
20 gradient of denaturant ranging from 40 to 60 % (7 M urea : 40 % (wt / vol) formamide) in a 6 %
21 2 acrylamide gel matrix was used. Gels were run at 130 V for 5 h. Bands were visualized by
22 staining with SYBR Safe Stain (Invitrogen Corp., Carlsbad, CA, USA) and photographically
23 captured (Fotodyne, Hartland, WI, USA). DGGE bands that were common across multiple

24 samples were excised from gels (Gene Catcher, The Gel Company, San Francisco, CA, USA)
25 and reamplified with 535f and 907r non-clamped primers and sequenced (University of
26 Wisconsin Biotechnology Center, Madison, WI, USA). Sequences of bands were compared to
27 those deposited in GenBank.

28 Band locations were analyzed using the band match function in Bionumerics (Applied
29 Maths, Inc., Austin, TX, USA) with a 1.5% tolerance level. Each unique band was considered an
30 operational taxonomic unit (OTU). DGGE bands found common across multiple samples were
31 excised and sequenced at the University of Wisconsin Biotechnology Center, Madison, WI.
32 Taxonomic assignments were made by comparing these sequences to the NCBI microbial 16S
33 dataset available on RefSeq (3) using BLASTN. Principle Component Analysis was performed
34 on a binary matrix of OTU presence and absence for all samples using the R module
35 FactoMineR (4). A nested analysis of similarities (ANOSIM, Primer E software v. 6) was used to
36 test the null hypothesis that association of OTUs was independent of the sampling environment,
37 i.e. *D. ponderosae*, their galleries, and phloem from unattacked trees.

38 **Results**

39 **DGGE Microbial Community Analysis.** Thirty-one unique OTUs were detected by DGGE
40 from *D. ponderosae* adults, galleries, and phloem from unattacked trees from *P. contorta*, *P.*
41 *banksiana*, and their hybrids (Figure S1), of which bands from the 12 most commonly identified
42 OTUs were sequenced for identity (Table S1). OTU #18, most closely related to *Pantoea*
43 *agglomerans*, was more frequently detected than any other OTU across all host tree species, with
44 frequencies ranging from 50% to 71%. OTU #17, most closely related to *Pseudomonas*
45 *viridiflava*, was next most frequent across all host tree species, and it was the most frequently
46 detected OTU from *D. ponderosae* adults from any host species at 73% in *D. ponderosae* from

47 *P. contorta*. OTU #22 (not sequenced) was detected in between 40% and 50% of samples from
48 each host species, however it was detected in only 19% of *D. ponderosae* from *P. contorta*. OTU
49 #16, most closely related to *Serratia fonticola*, was detected in over 50% of samples from *P.*
50 *contorta* while it was relatively infrequent in other host species. The opposite trend was observed
51 with OTU #24, also most closely related to the genus *Serratia*. Other sequenced OTUs that were
52 detected in relatively high frequencies were most closely related to the Betaproteobacteria
53 *Massilia aurea* (#15) and the Gammaproteobacteria *Serratia nematodiphila* (#24 & #25) and
54 *Pseudoxanthomonas spadix* (#23). Less frequently detected OTUs include those most closely
55 related to *Micrococcus endophyticus* (#27), *Serratia fonticola* (#6 & #29), *Pseudomonas*
56 *viridiflava* (#2), and *Acinetobacter johnsonii* (#7).

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