

Continental frequency  $q_c$  of  $B_1$ 

**Figure S6** Invasion probability of  $A_1$  as a function of the continental frequency of  $B_1$ . Panels are for varying migration and recombination rates. Invasion probabilities are shown conditional on initial occurrence of  $A_1$  on background  $B_1$  (blue), on background  $B_2$  (red), and as a weighted average across the two backgrounds (black). Solid curves show exact numerical solutions to the branching process, whereas thick dashed curves show the analytical approximations valid for weak evolutionary forces and a slightly supercritical branching process (see section 3 of File S1, and Eqs. 7–9 in File S5). In all panels, a = 0.02 and b = 0.04. The migration rate m increases from left to right, taking values of m = 0.022 in panels (A), (D), (G), m = 0.03 in panels (B), (E), (H), and m = 0.038 in panels (C), (F), and (I). The recombination rate increases from top to bottom, taking values of r = 0.005 in panels (A)–(C), r = 0.01 in panels (D)–(F), and r = 0.02 in panels (G)–(I). Arrows indicate where the optimal  $q_c$  is non-zero.