

Changes and corrections according to the suggestions from the handling editor.

P.2, line 2: Changed as proposed

P. 2, line 19: We did not delete this sentence as we think that the last part of our paper is not otherwise mentioned. Sorry.

P. 3, line 4: Changed as proposed

P. 3, line 19: Changed as proposed

P. 4, line 1: Changed as proposed

P. 4, line 2: Fridriksson 1972, added

P.4, line 4: Changed as proposed

P. 4, line 6-7: Changed to: “local dispersal episodes”

P. 4, line 7-8: Changed as proposed

P. 4, line 10-11: Changed to: “Throughout the seventies all colonizing individuals were marked with sticks on which a number and the year of first observation were noted”

P. 4, line 20-21: Changed as proposed

P. 6, line 17: Changed as proposed

P. 6, line 17: Changed as proposed

P. 7, line 3: Changed as proposed

P. 8, line 2-4: Changed as proposed

P. 8, line 6-7: Changed to: “The morph ratio was not found to be influenced by the age and disturbance of the population”

P. 8, line 18: Changed as proposed

P. 8, line 19: Changed as proposed

P. 10, line 6: Changed as proposed

P. 10, line 12: Changed to “size increased tenfold”

P. 10, line 13: Changed as proposed

P. 10, line 16: Changed as proposed

P. 10, line 17: Changed as proposed

P. 10, line 20: Changed as proposed

P. 10, line 23: Change to: “ ... between samples from Surtsey and those from Heimaey and the south coast of Iceland”

P. 11, line 5: Changed to: “...M. Philipp, personal observations”

P. 11, line 7: Changed to: “Ecophysiological studies”

P. 11, line 11-12: Changed as proposed

P. 11, line 14-17: A new section in the “result” (4.1) is inserted

P. 12, line 1-2: Same as above

P. 12, line 3-4: same as above

P. 12, line 15: We have been through the tenses and hope they are now correct

P. 13, line 19: Changed as proposed

P. 14, line 6-8: Changed as proposed

P. 15, line 9: Changed as proposed

P. 16, line 3-4: Changed as proposed

P. 17, line 1-2: Changes to less “telegraph-style” has been done

P. 17, line 4: We limited to “space”

P. 17, line 16: Changed as proposed

P. 17, line 19: Changed as proposed

P. 18, line 5: Changed as proposed

P. 18, line 7: Changed as proposed

P. 18, line 8: Changed to” It will probably go extinct also on Surtsey,”

P. 23, line 4-5: Changed as proposed

P. 23, line 8: "SE" added

P. 19, line 7: Changed as proposed

P. 21, line 1-2: Changed as proposed

P. 22, line 2: Changed as proposed

P. 19-23: Done