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Living on the Edge: Variation in the Abundance and Demography of a Kelp Forest Epibiont

Supplementary Information

Table S1. Model selection results for occurrence and percent cover of *Membranipora* on kelp blades. “Within-forest” refers to the effect of edge versus interior. ML is maximum likelihood.

Fixed Effects	Random Effects	Estimation Method	Occurrence Δ AIC	Percent Cover Δ AIC
NA	Intercept site	ML	108	17182
Within-forest	Intercept site	ML	15	13760
Within-forest	Intercept site, slope site	ML	0	13029

Table S2. Parameter estimates for final models of occurrence and percent cover. “Within-forest” refers to the effect of edge versus interior. Significance codes: *** <0.001 **<0.01 *<0.05.

Parameter	Occurrence Estimate	Occurrence Error	Percent Cover Estimate	Percent Cover Error
<i>Fixed effects</i>		<i>SE</i>		<i>SE</i>
Within-forest	3.28 **	1.25	3.62 *	1.68
<i>Variance term</i>	<i>Std. dev.</i>		<i>Std. dev.</i>	
Intercept site	1.82		2.52	
Slope site	1.90		2.87	

Table S3. Model selection results for occurrence of recruits, density of recruits, and density of colonies on kelp blades. “Within-forest” refers to the effect of edge versus interior. ML is maximum likelihood.

Fixed Effects	Random Effects	Estimation Method	Occurrence Recruits Δ AIC	Recruit Density Δ AIC	Colony Density Δ AIC
NA	Intercept site	ML	0	33	37
Within-forest	Intercept site	ML	0	0	5
Within-forest	Intercept site, slope site	ML	3	NA	0

Table S4. Parameter estimates for final models of recruit density and colony density. “Within-forest” refers to the effect of edge versus interior. Significance codes: *** <0.001 **<0.01 *<0.05.

Parameter	Recruit Density Estimate	Recruit Density Error	Colony Density Estimate	Colony Density Error
<i>Fixed effects</i>		<i>SE</i>		<i>SE</i>
Within-forest	1.61***	0.25	1.47***	0.24
<i>Variance term</i>	<i>Std. dev.</i>		<i>Std. dev.</i>	
Intercept site	0.94		0.31	
Slope site	NA		NA	

Table S5. Model selection results for colony specific growth rate. “Within-forest” refers to the effect of edge versus interior. ML is maximum likelihood.

Fixed Effects	Random Effects	Estimation Method	Colony Specific Growth Δ AIC
NA	Intercept site	ML	89
Within-forest	Intercept site	ML	3
Within-forest	Intercept site, slope site	ML	0

Table S6. Parameter estimates for final model of colony specific growth rate. “Within-forest” refers to the effect of edge versus interior. Significance codes: *** <0.001 **<0.01 *<0.05.

Parameter	Colony Specific Growth Estimate	Colony Specific Growth Error
<i>Fixed effects</i>		<i>SE</i>
Within-forest	0.06***	0.006
<i>Variance term</i>	<i>Std. dev.</i>	
Intercept site	0.05	
Slope site	NA	