

Supplementary Materials for

Nutritional input from dinoflagellate symbionts in reef-building corals is minimal during planula larval life stage

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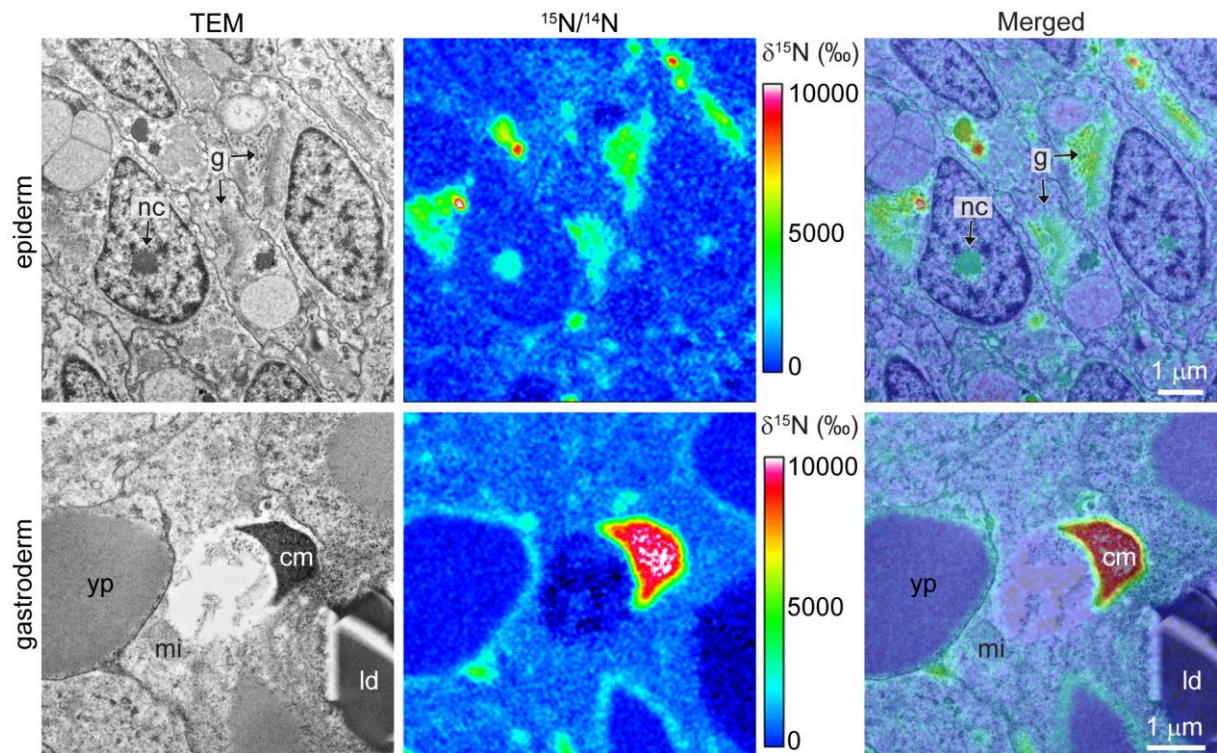


fig. S1. High-resolution imaging of ^{15}N distribution in coral cells of planulae exposed to $[^{15}\text{N}]$ ammonium. Representative TEM micrographs, corresponding NanoSIMS $^{15}\text{N}/^{14}\text{N}$ isotopic maps, and merged images of epiderm and gastroderm tissues, after 6 hours of exposure to $[^{15}\text{N}]$ ammonium. rcm, crescent-moon shaped coral cell structure; g, Golgi body; ld, lipid droplet; mi, mitochondrion; nc, nucleolus; yp, yolk platelet.

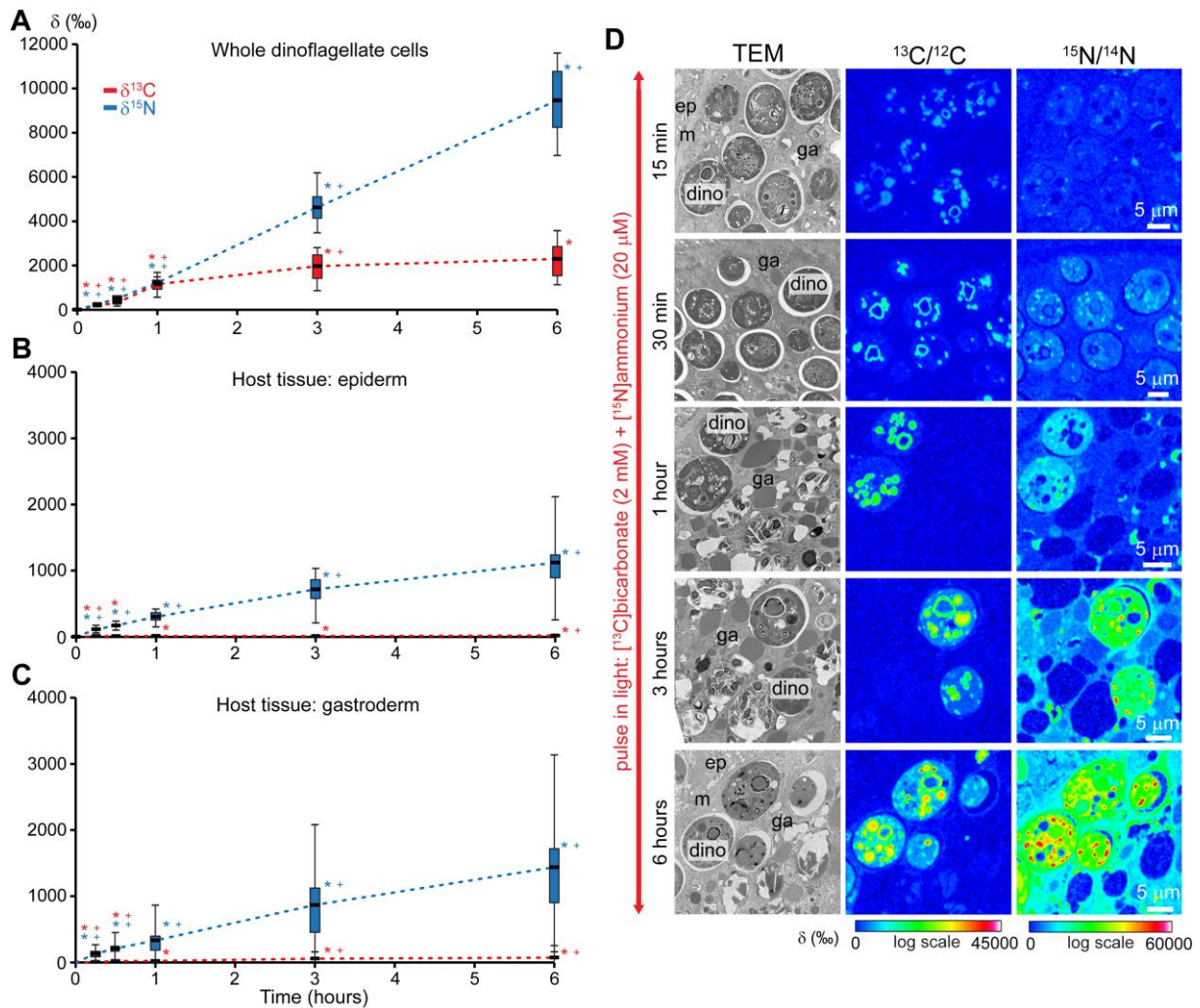


fig. S2. Ammonium assimilation by newly released coral planulae. (A, B, C) Average ^{13}C - and ^{15}N -enrichments measured by NanoSIMS in dinoflagellate cells, the coral epiderm, and the coral gastroderm, respectively, during the 6-hour pulse of labeling in light with ^{13}C bicarbonate (2 mM) and ^{15}N ammonium (20 μM). Individual data and statistical significance are reported in additional data file 1. (D) Time-sequence visualizing the dynamics of C and N assimilation in the dinoflagellate-containing coral gastroderm during the pulse experiment. Each row contains a TEM micrograph and its corresponding NanoSIMS isotopic $^{13}\text{C}/^{12}\text{C}$ and $^{15}\text{N}/^{14}\text{N}$ ratio images. ^{15}N ammonium is rapidly and simultaneously assimilated by both partners, but with a strong preference for the dinoflagellates, consistent with previous studies. dino, dinoflagellate; ep, epiderm; ga, gastroderm; m, mesoglea.

Data File 1 contains summary tables of NanoSIMS isotopic measurements and statistical analyses.