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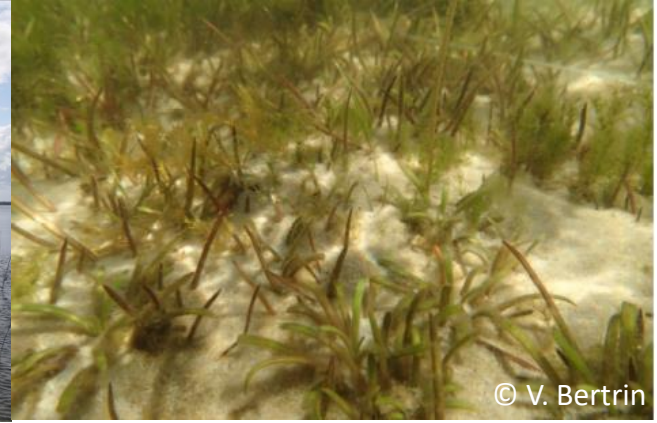
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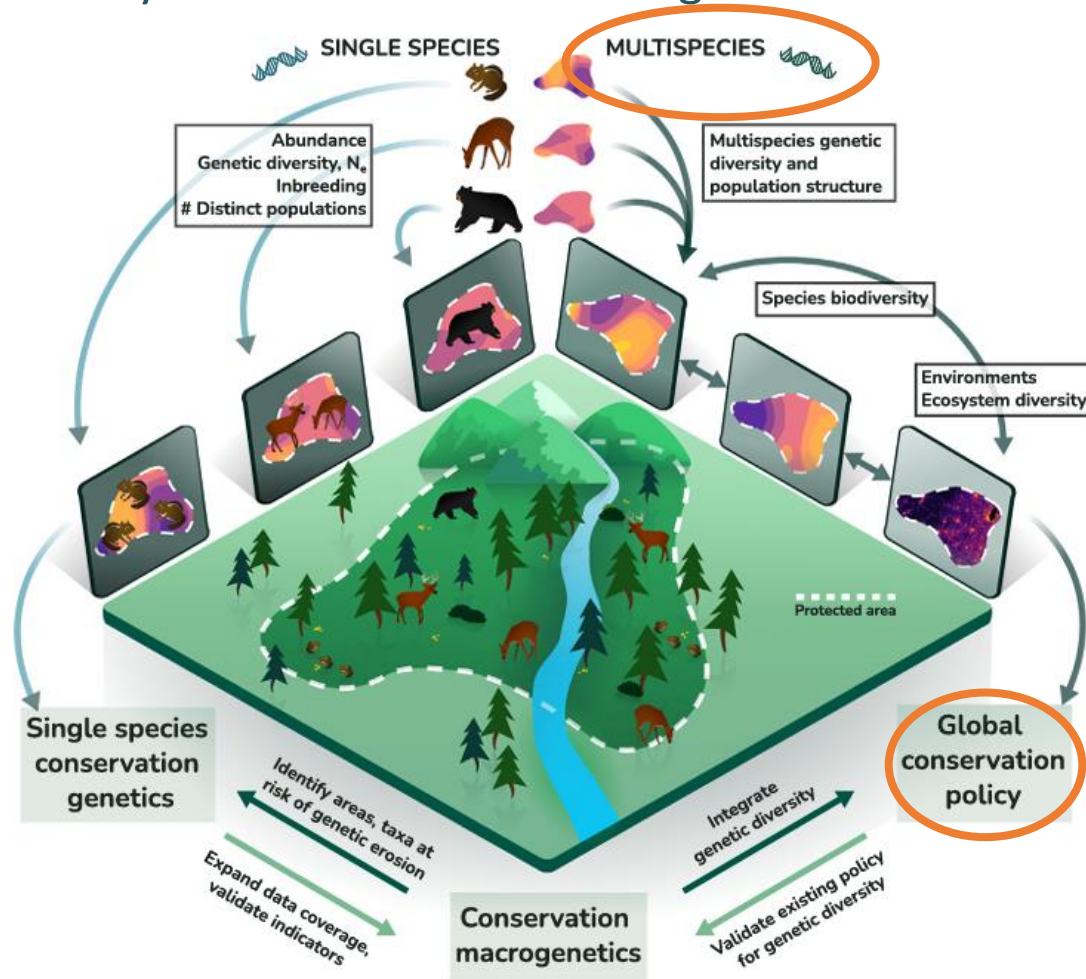


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Context

Biological diversity crisis and conservation genetics



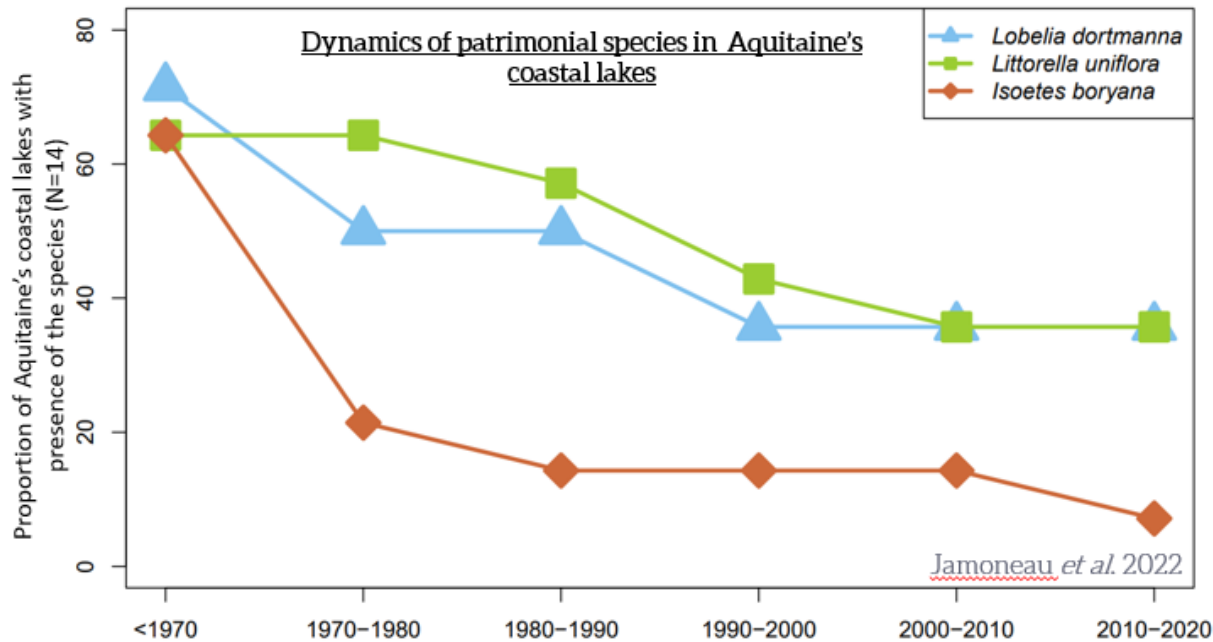
Trends in Genetics

Integrating macrogenetics into existing conservation frameworks
C. Schmidt, S. Hoban & W. Jetz, 2023

Schmidt, Hoban, & Jetz, 2023
Schmidt *et al.*, 2022
Frankham, 1995

➤ Context

Lobelia lakes and isoetid communities decline



Probable local causes:

- **Morphological degradations** (4x4, water sports, horse riding, etc.)
- **Eutrophication**
- **Sediment erosion and pollution**
- **Species invasion**

➔ **National Action Plan** for these communities

Pederson *et al.*, 2006
Roelofs, 1983
Lucassen *et al.*, 2016
Jamoneau *et al.*, 2022

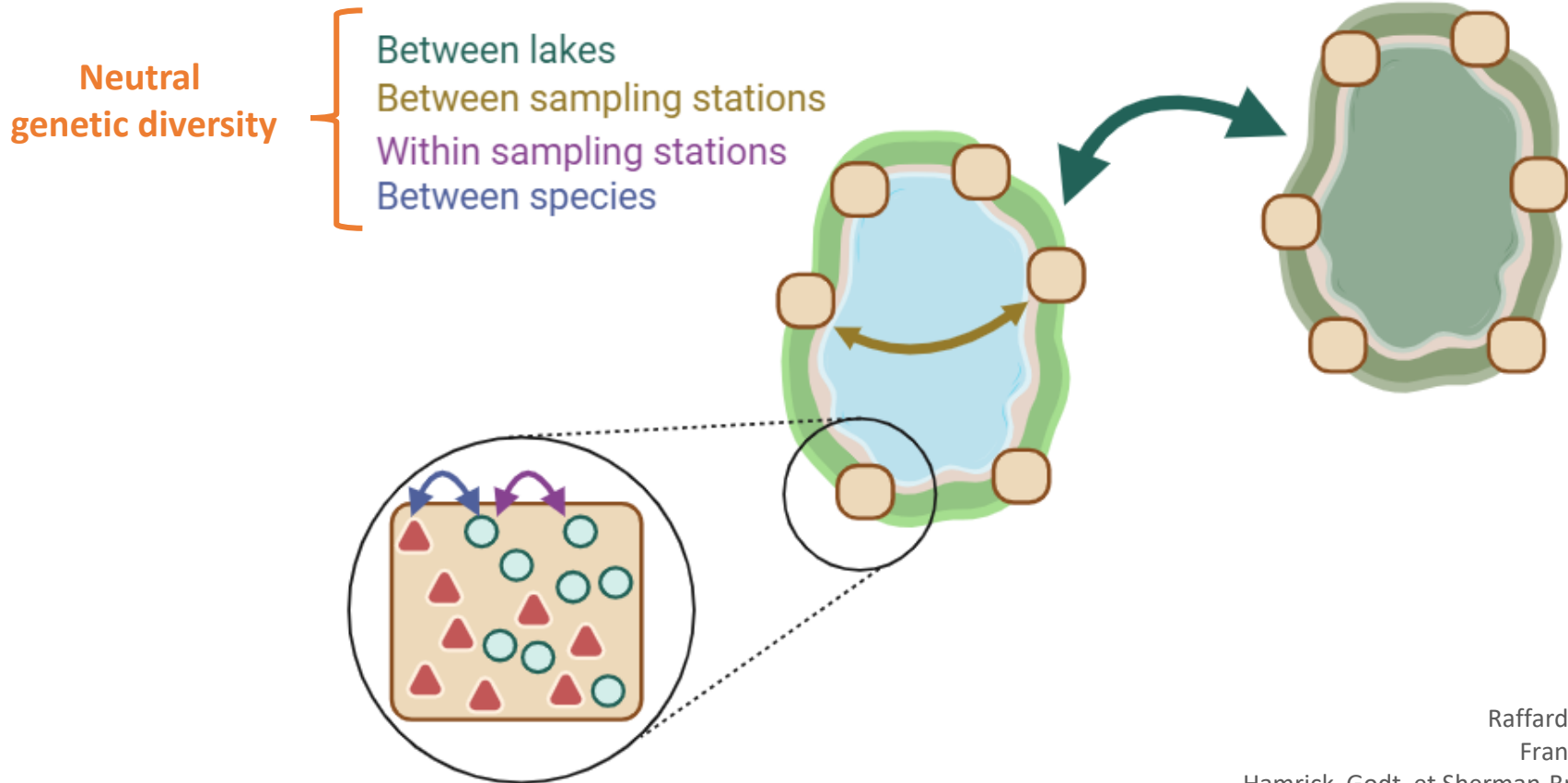
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➤ Objectives

Examine and compare genetic diversities of isoetid communities



Raffard *et al.*, 2019
Frankham, 1995
Hamrick, Godt, et Sherman-Broyles, 1992
Ellegren et Galtier, 2016
Hamrick & Godt, 1996



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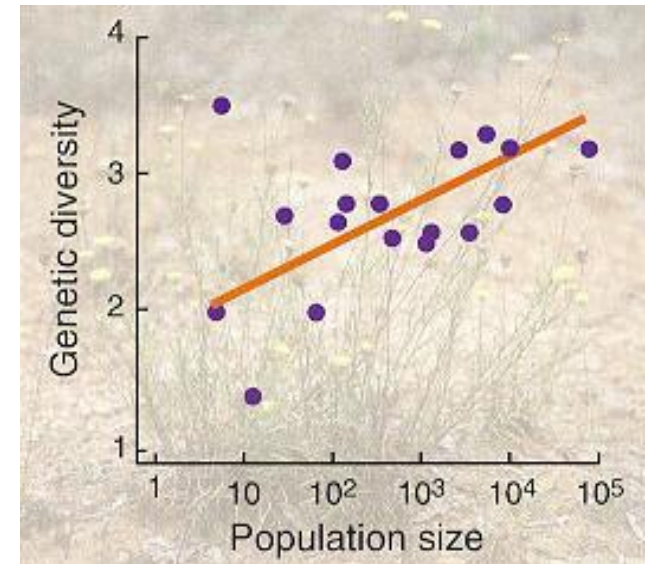
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> Hypotheses

Conservation

- **Lower genetic diversity** for **rare species** and isolated populations
- Sites/lakes with lower **overall genetic diversity**

"Genetic erosion" occurs in small populations of the Button Wrinklewort (*Rutidosia leptorrhynchoides*).



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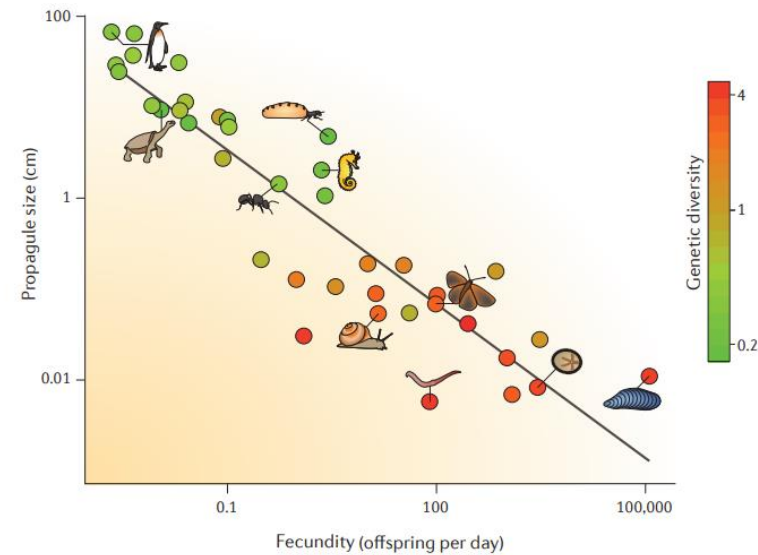
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Evolutionary

- Differences between species with various life history traits
- Similar population genetic structure due to common demographic history

Genetic diversity and the r/K gradient in animals.



Ellengren & Galtier, 2016

Raffard *et al.*, 2019

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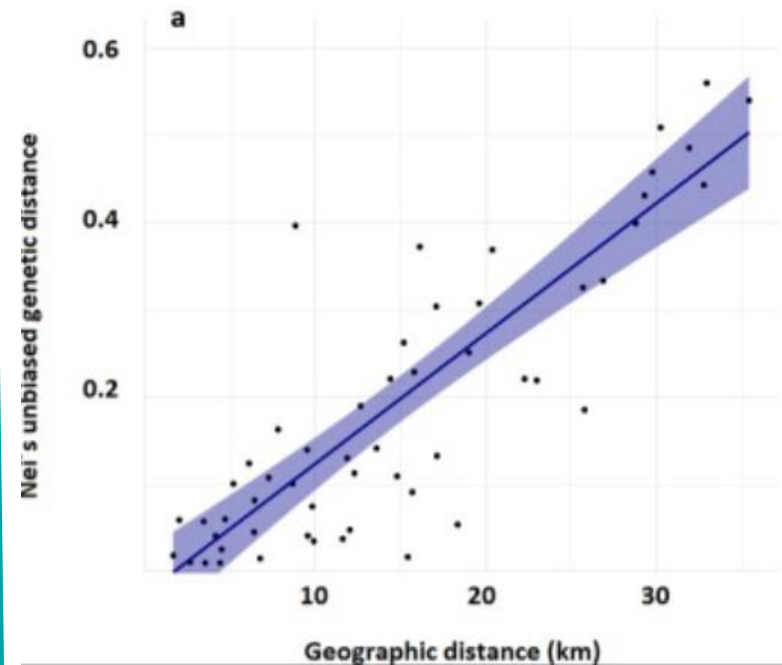
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Ecological

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García-Girón et al., 2019

Raffard *et al.*, 2019

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➤ Material and Methods

Shallow lakes of Aquitaine



2000 BCE

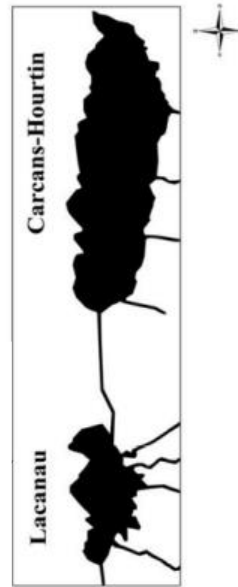


Modern era

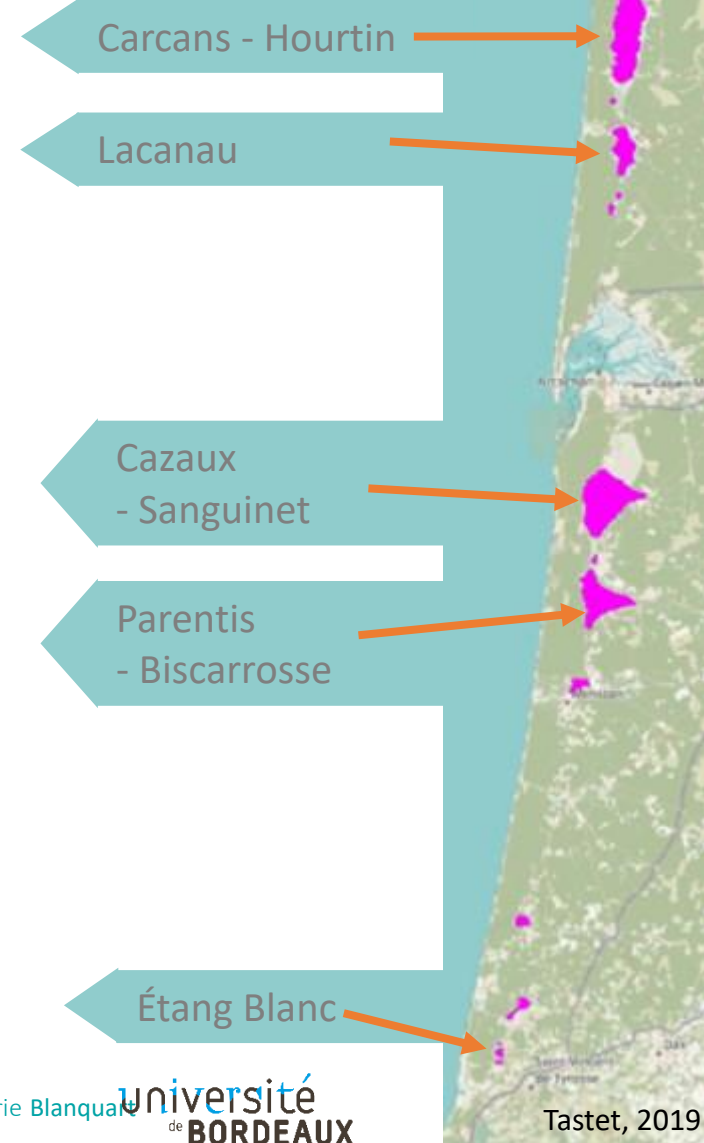


Actual

Geological history of **Cazaux-Sanguinet lake** (Tastet & Clavé-Papion, 2008). The arrow indicates the deepest part of the lake



Bertrin et al., 2017



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Tastet, 2019

➤ Material and Methods

Isoetids communities

Protected patrimonial species

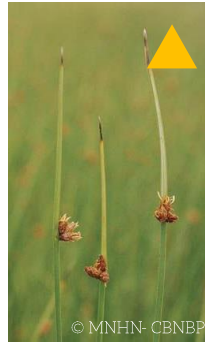


Littorella uniflora



Lobelia dortmanna

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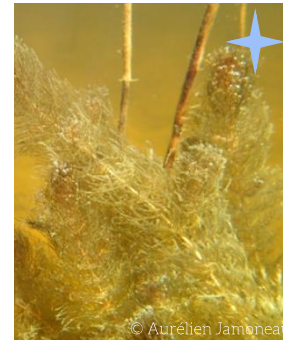
Schoenoplectus pungens



Eleocharis multicaulis



Chara fragifera (algae)



Myriophyllum alterniflorum



Phragmites australis



Baldellia ranunculoides



Juncus bulbosus



Hydrophyte



Helophyte



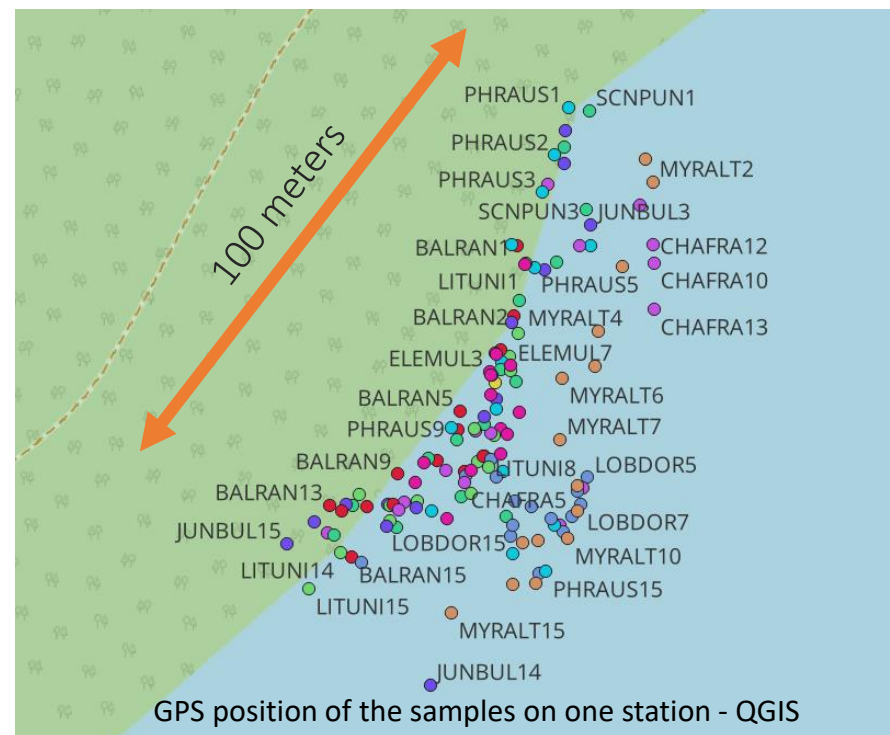
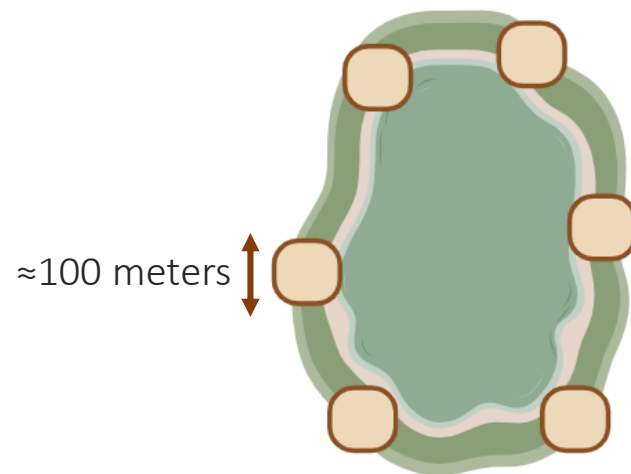
Amphibious

➤ Material and Methods

Sampling method and Data set

- **9 species**
- **5 lakes**
- **6 sampling stations** per lake (3 west and 3 east)
- **15 individuals** per station, per species

➤ **4050 individuals in theory**
(Species not present on all sites)



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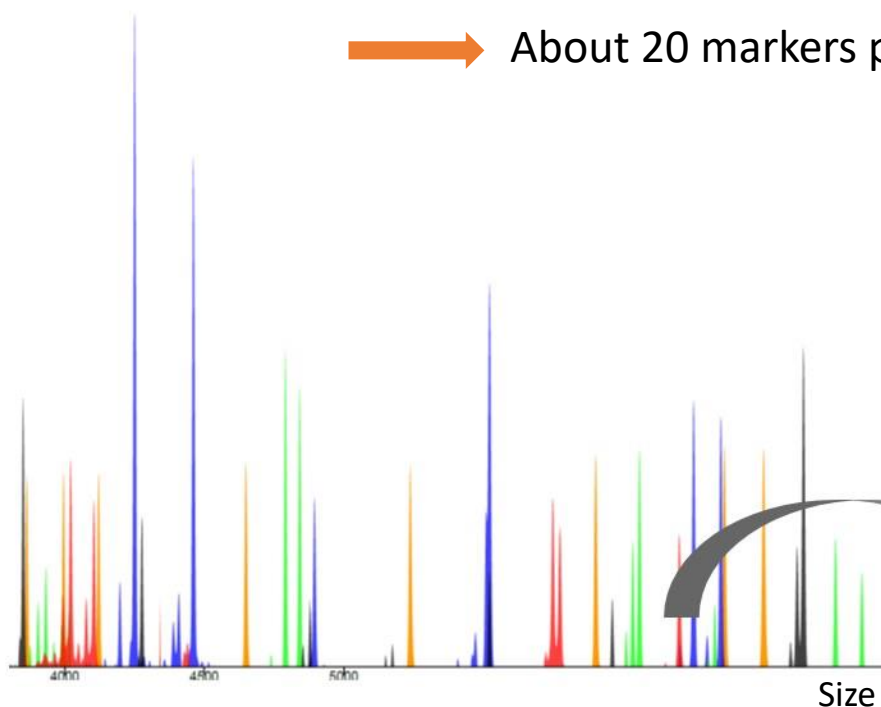
➤ Material and Methods

Sequenced-based microsatellites markers

Workflow :

SSR marker development ➔ Multiplex PCR and sequencing ➔ Bioinformatic pipeline

➔ About 20 markers per species



- Fast
- Cheap
- Not size-based

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➤ Allelic Richness, Hill numbers based genetic diversity

Chao, Chiu, & Jost, 2010
Alberdi & Gilbert, 2019

➤ IBD, Wright's statistics, structure

Nei et al., 1975
Evanno, Regnaut & Goudet, 2005

➤ Coalescent, ABC

Mather et al., 2020

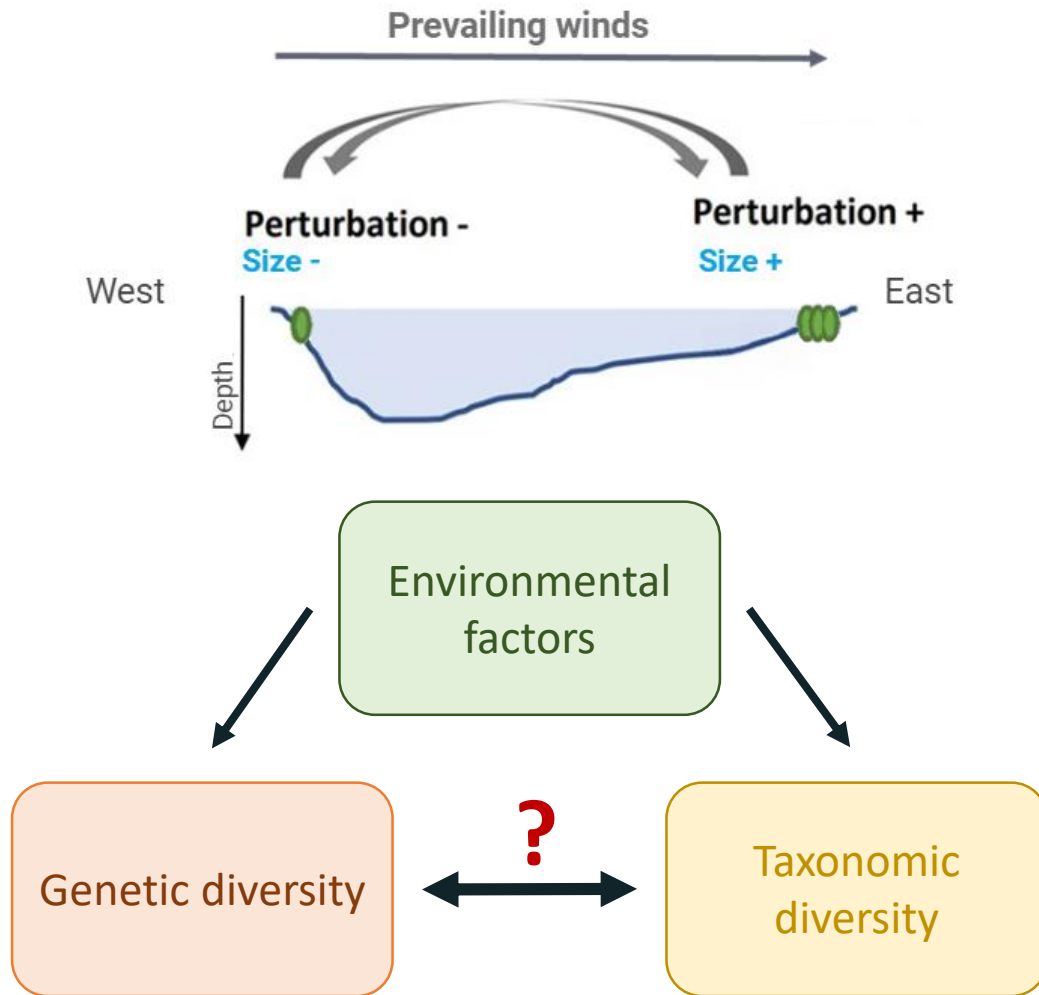
➤ Spatial / landscape genetics

Guillot et al., 2015



➤ Future goals and perspectives

Environment impact on genetic diversity



Vellend, 2005
Kahilainen et al., 2014



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➤ A multi-actors project



Studying the genetics of Isoetid populations on a regional scale

Maintaining the Isoetids in a **good conservation state**, as well as the **vegetation that shelters them**, through the **implementation of operational actions**

