

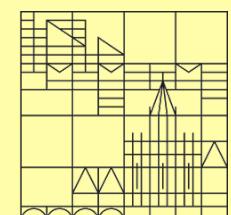
Climate change and escapingamentals: Predicting the next generation of European plant invaders

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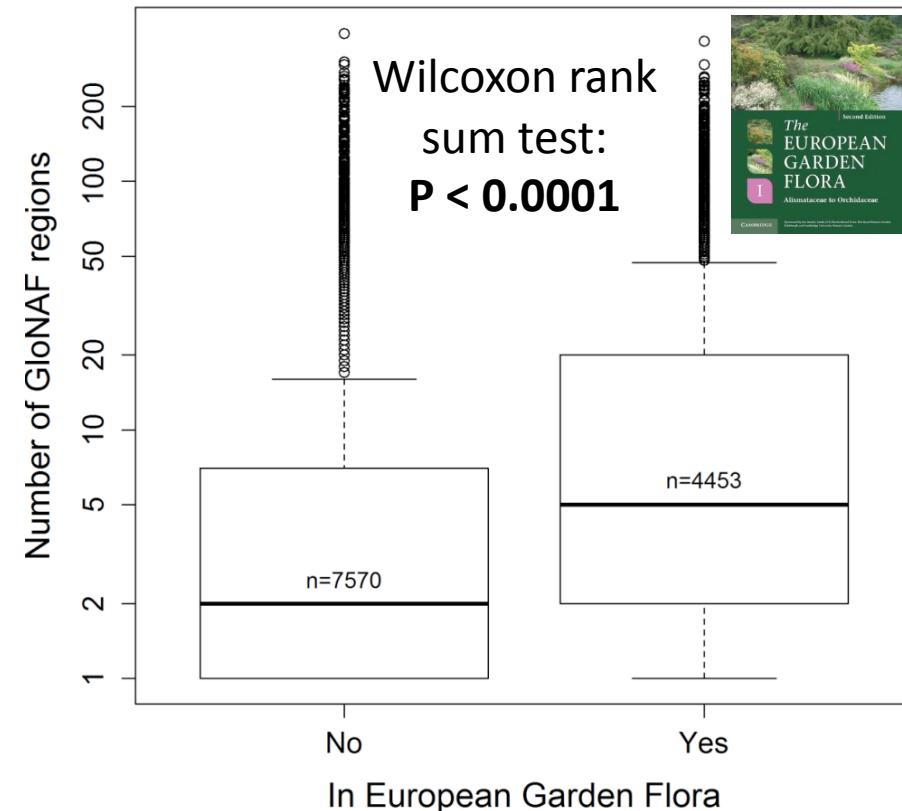
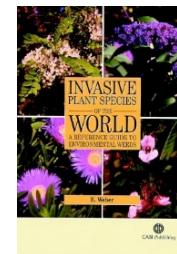
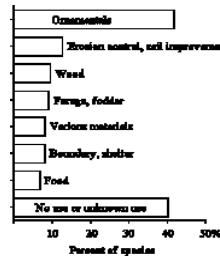
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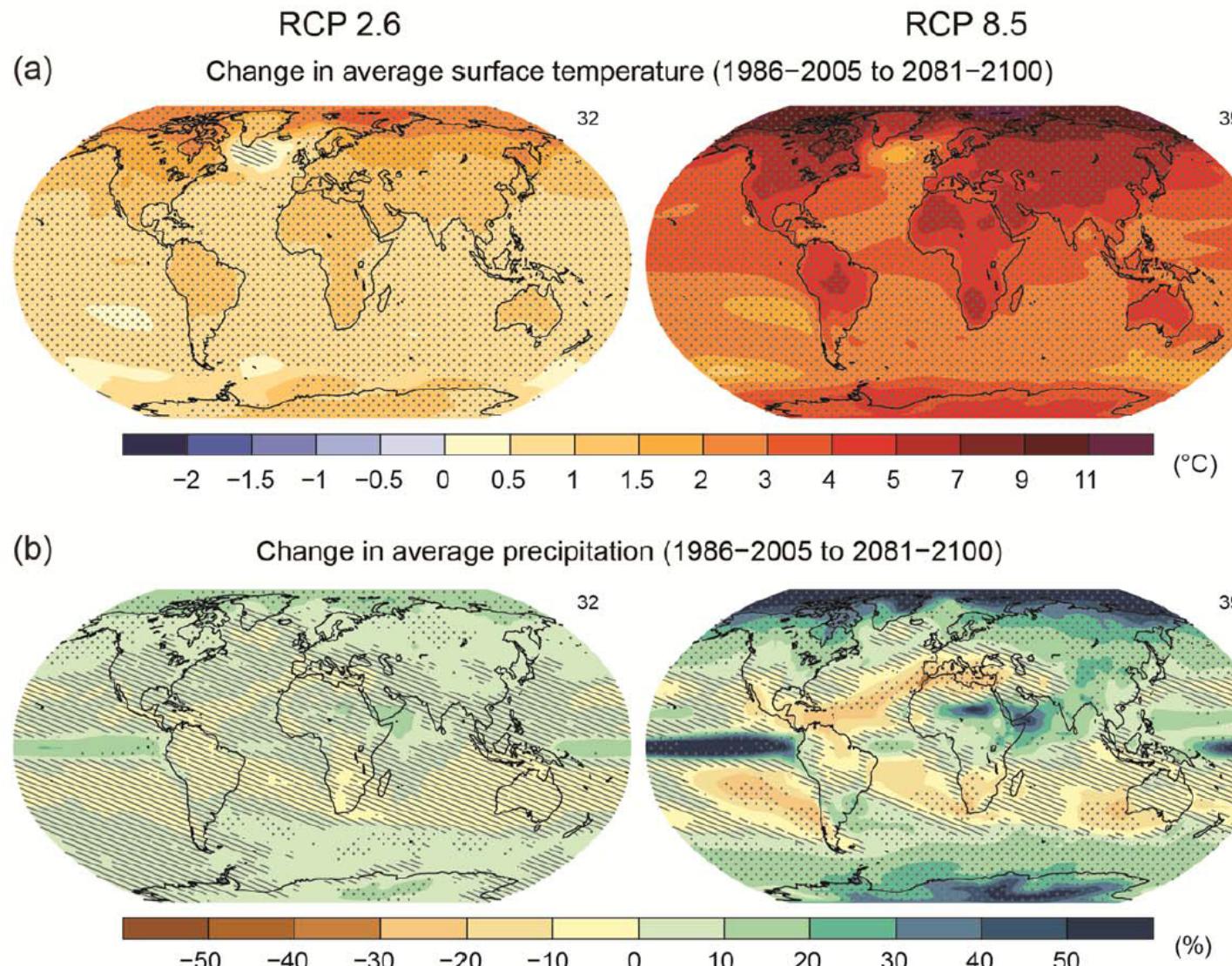
Horticulture is the major pathway for naturalized and invasive plants.



Many of our current garden plants originate from warmer parts of the world.

Predicted climate change

The future climate might be more suitable for many of our ornamental plants.



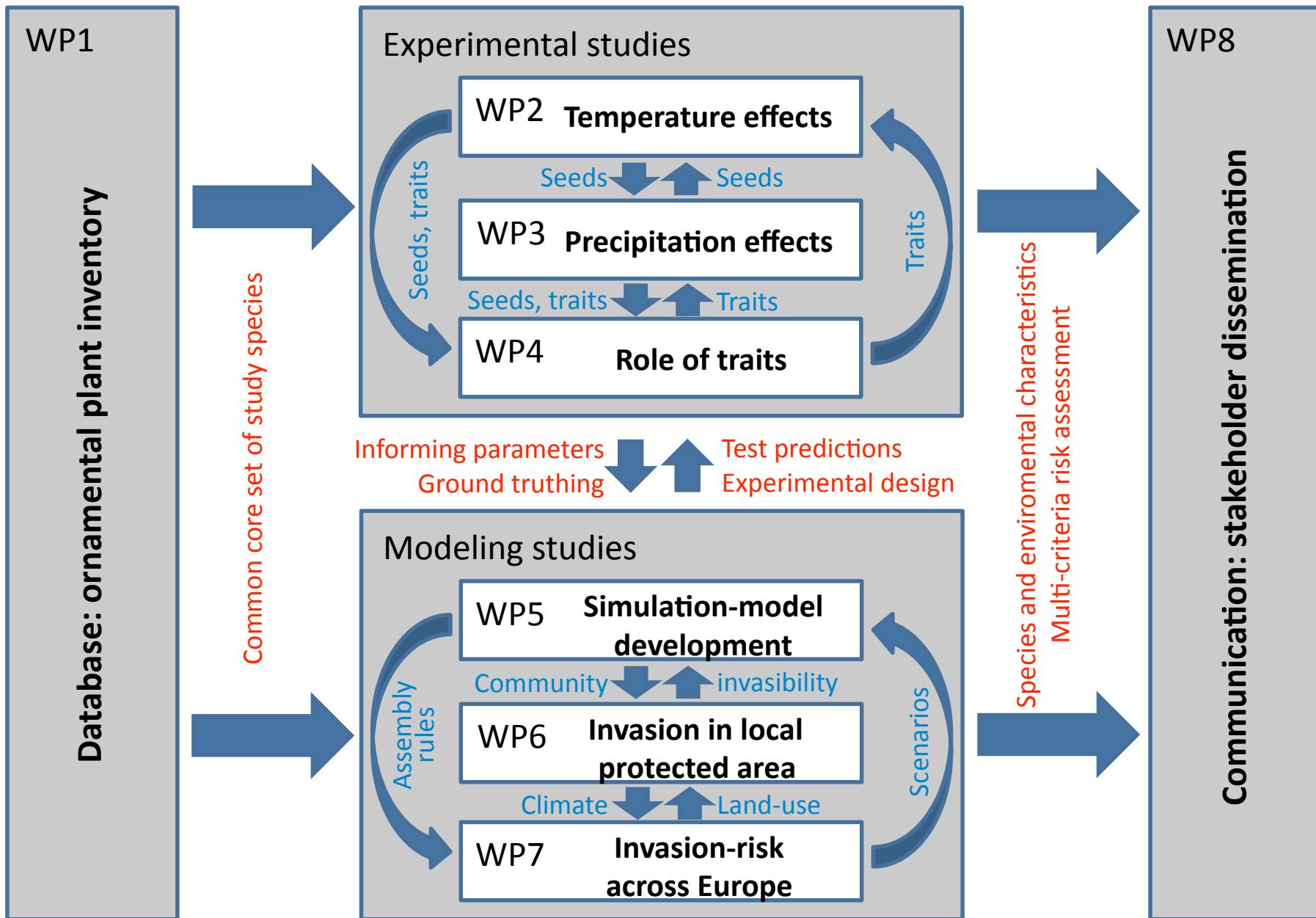
WholsNext objectives

Which ornamental plant species might naturalize and become invasive under future climatic conditions, and **where in Europe** will these next invasions happen?

1. **Test experimentally whether changes in temperature and precipitation will enhance establishment and growth of ornamental alien plants in native communities.**
2. **Determine both empirically and through modelling which traits and ecological mechanisms favour the spread of non-native ornamentals under current and future climate conditions.**
3. **Develop simulation tools to determine which habitats and regions will be most vulnerable to invasions of ornamental plants in the future.**

WholsNext workplan

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WP1 – Compilation and analysis of European garden-plant inventory⁷



Garden plants get a head start on climate change

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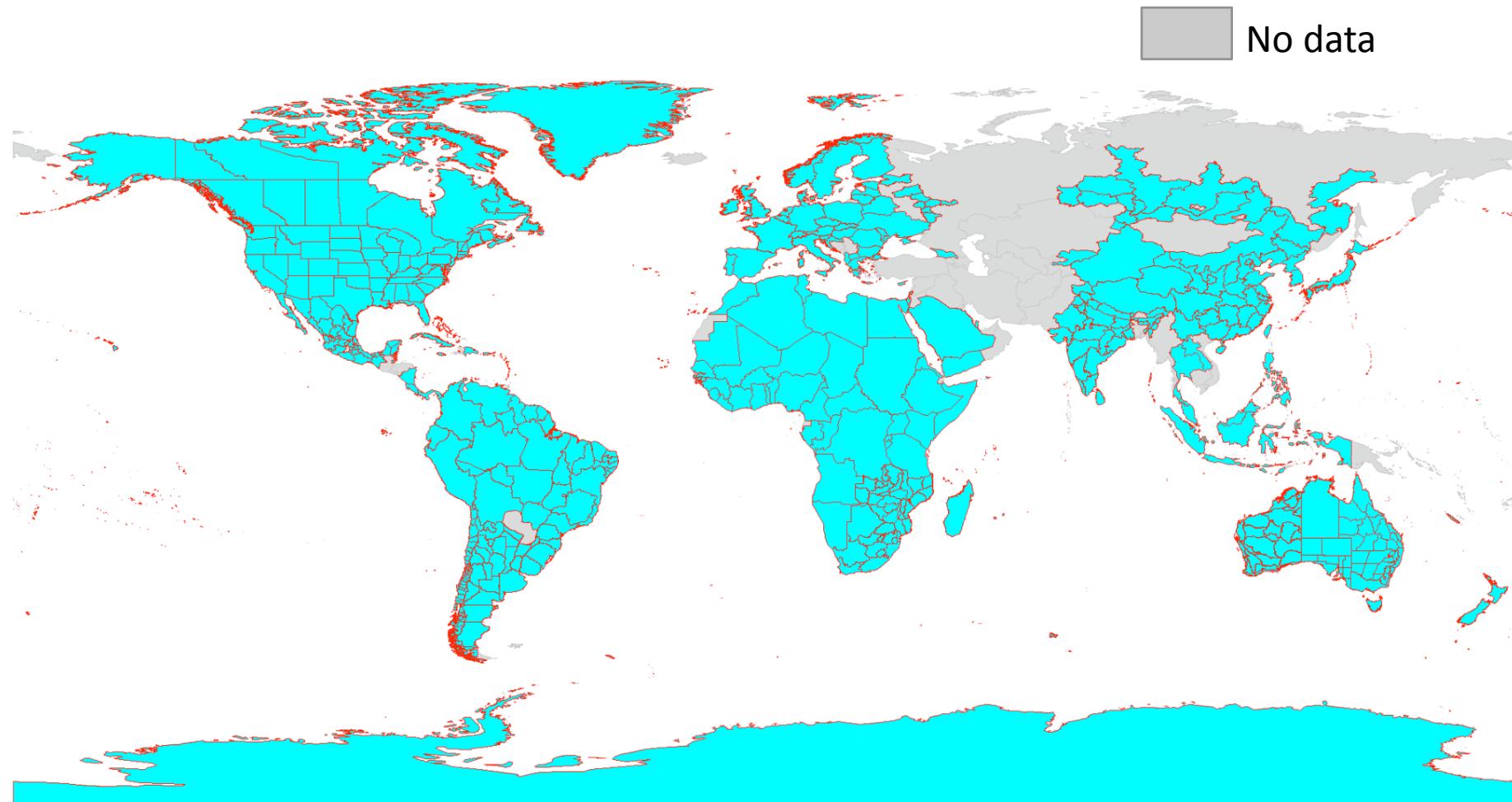


The GloNAF database

The Global Naturalized Alien Flora database

12'413 vascular plant taxa (11'634 species)

828 non-overlapping regions



Selected study species

Ornamental (37)

Achillea filipendulina
Aconitum carmichaelii
Amaranthus tricolor
Centaurea americana
Centaurea macrocephala
Cuminum cyminum
Digitalis trojana
Eragrostis trichodes
Eritrichium canum
Gilia tricolor
Helenium bigelovii
Helianthus debilis
Heliotropium arborescens
Iris domestica
Isotoma axillaris
Lilium formosanum
Lilium regale
Lobelia inflata
Lysimachia clethroides
Monarda fistulosa
Monarda punctata
Nemophila maculata

Nepeta racemosa
Nicotiana mutabilis
Nicotiana sylvestris
Pennisetum macrourum
Persicaria capitata
Persicaria virginiana
Petunia integrifolia
Platycodon grandiflorus
Potentilla atrosanguinea
Rudbeckia fulgida
Rudbeckia triloba
Salpiglossis sinuata
Solidago ptarmicoides
Verbena rigida
Zinnia peruviana

Naturalized (11)

Antirrhinum majus
Cerastium tomentosum
Consolida ajacis
Eranthis hyemalis
Hesperis matronalis

Hordeum jubatum
Mentha spicata
Pseudofumaria lutea
Salvia verticillata
Solidago canadensis
Viola odorata

Native (14)

Achillea millefolium
Ajuga reptans Alba
Allium schoenoprasum
Aquilegia vulgaris
Atropa Belladonna
Iris sibirica
Lysimachia vulgaris
Origanum vulgare
Phleum pratense
Plantago media
Rumex crispus
Silene latifolia
Vicia sepium
Viola tricolor

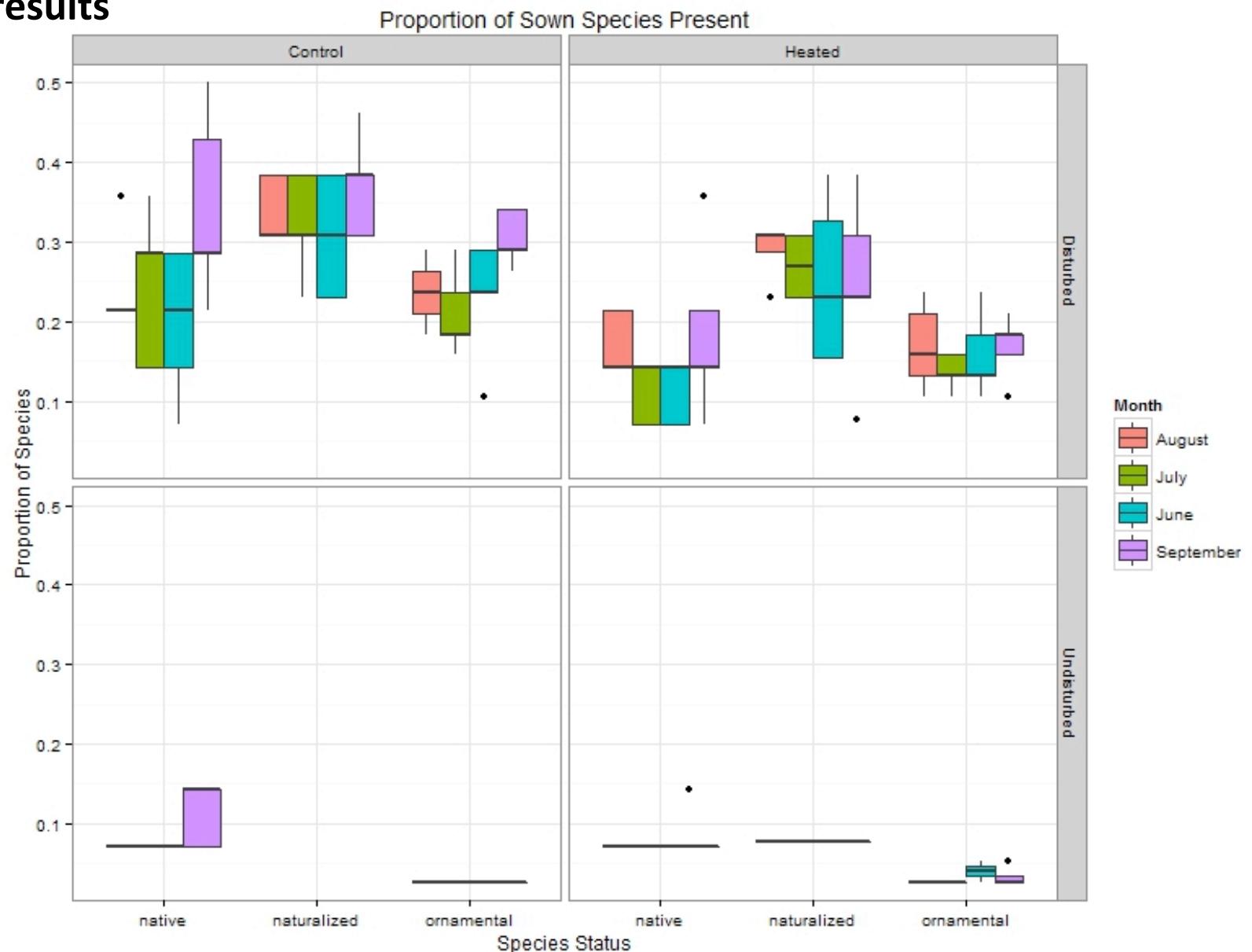


WP2 – Effect of experimental warming on establishment

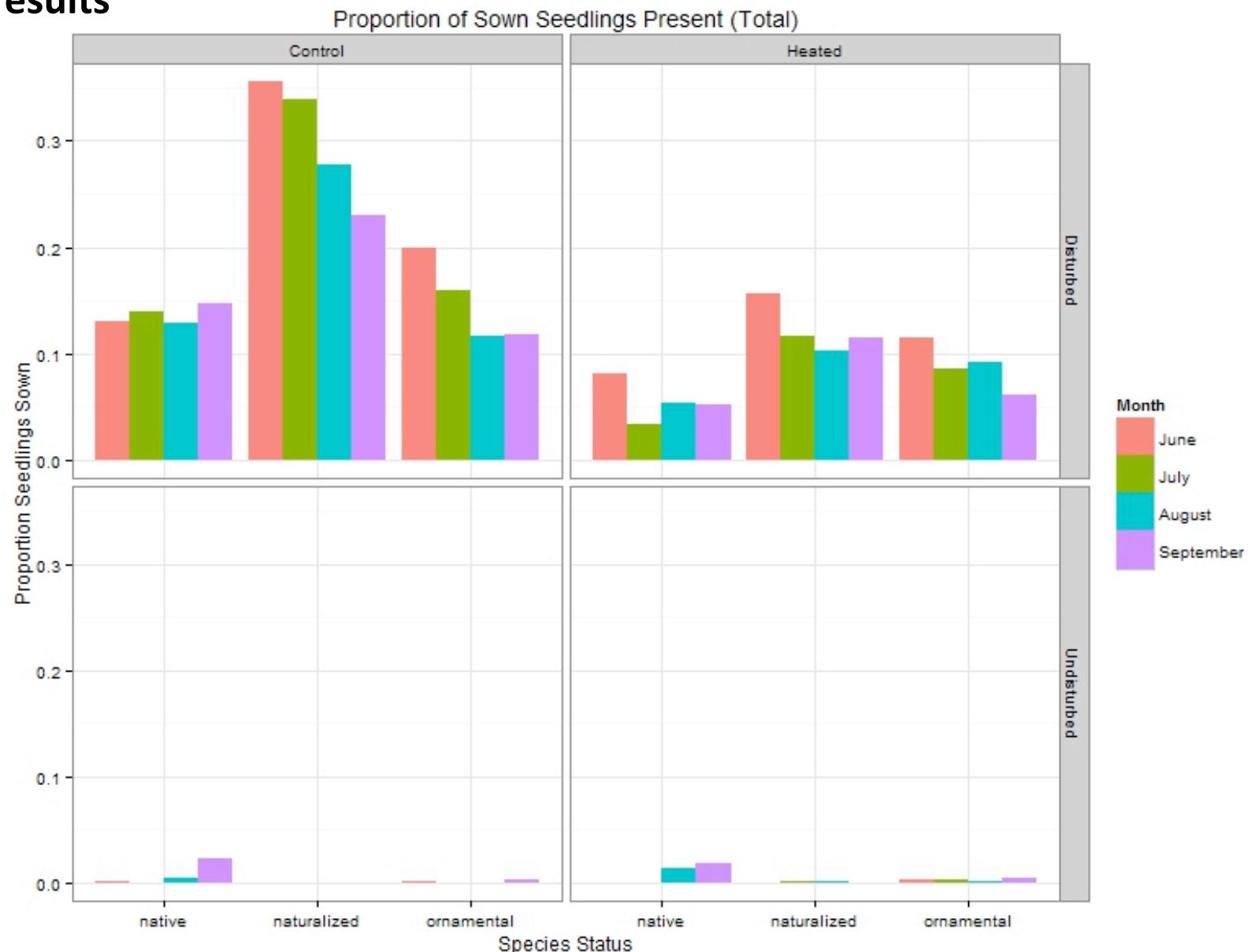
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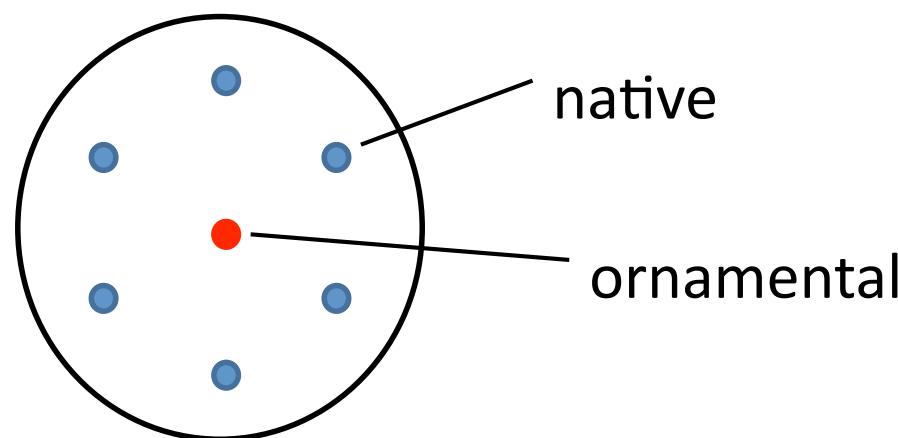
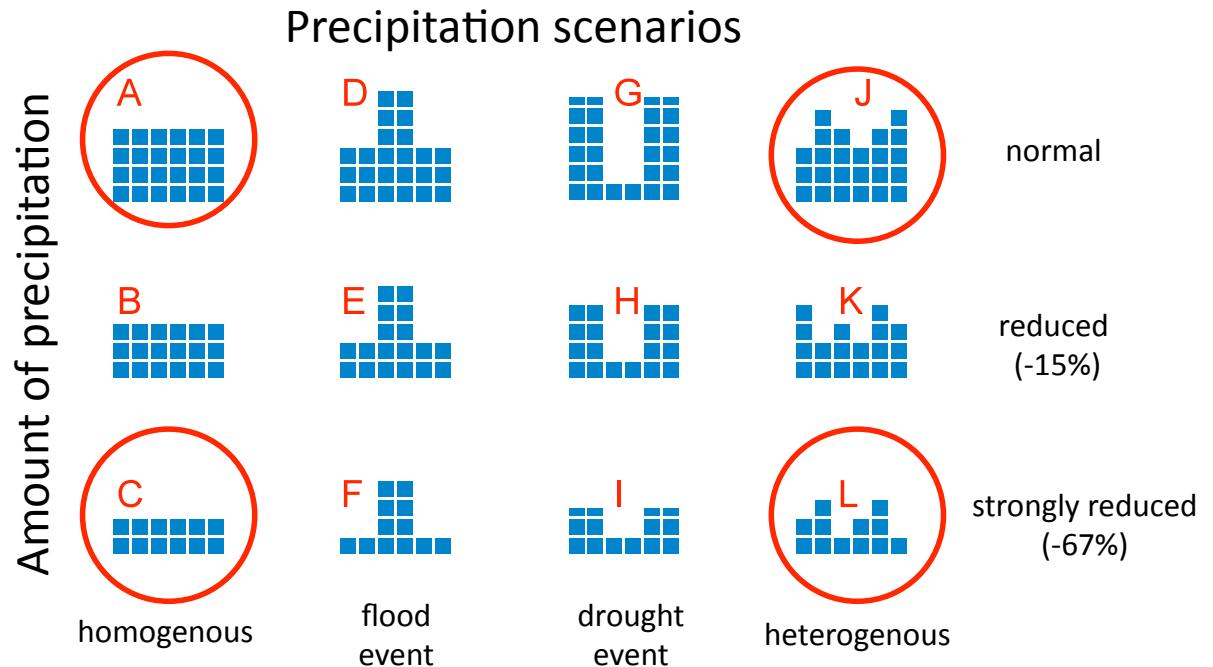


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WP3 – Effect of changed precipitation on establishment

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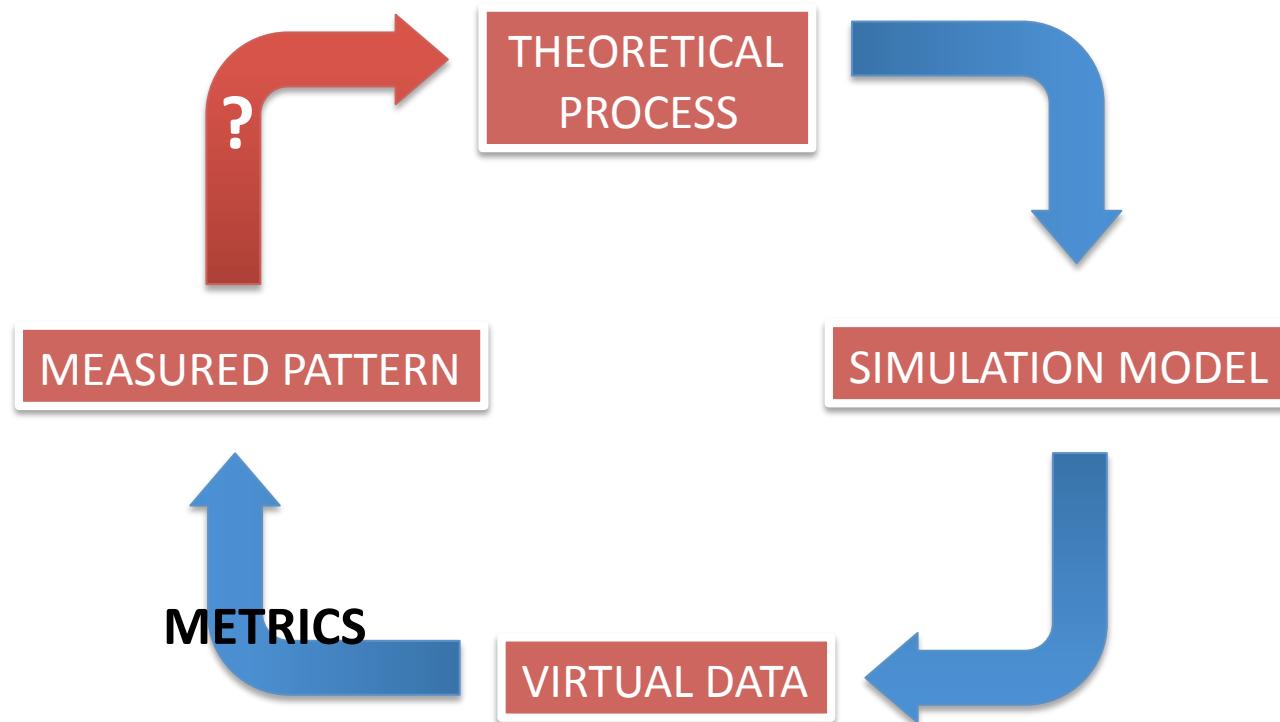


Assessment of traits to parameterize models

- Dispersal capability
- **Germination** and recruitment rate under different light conditions
- Breeding system and pollination agent
- Life span
- **Phenology, age of maturity**
- Tolerance to mowing/grazing
- **Growth under different light conditions**
- Temperature and precipitation tolerance
- Clonal growth rate
- Seed yield
- Seed attributes (mass, terminal velocity, surface structure)

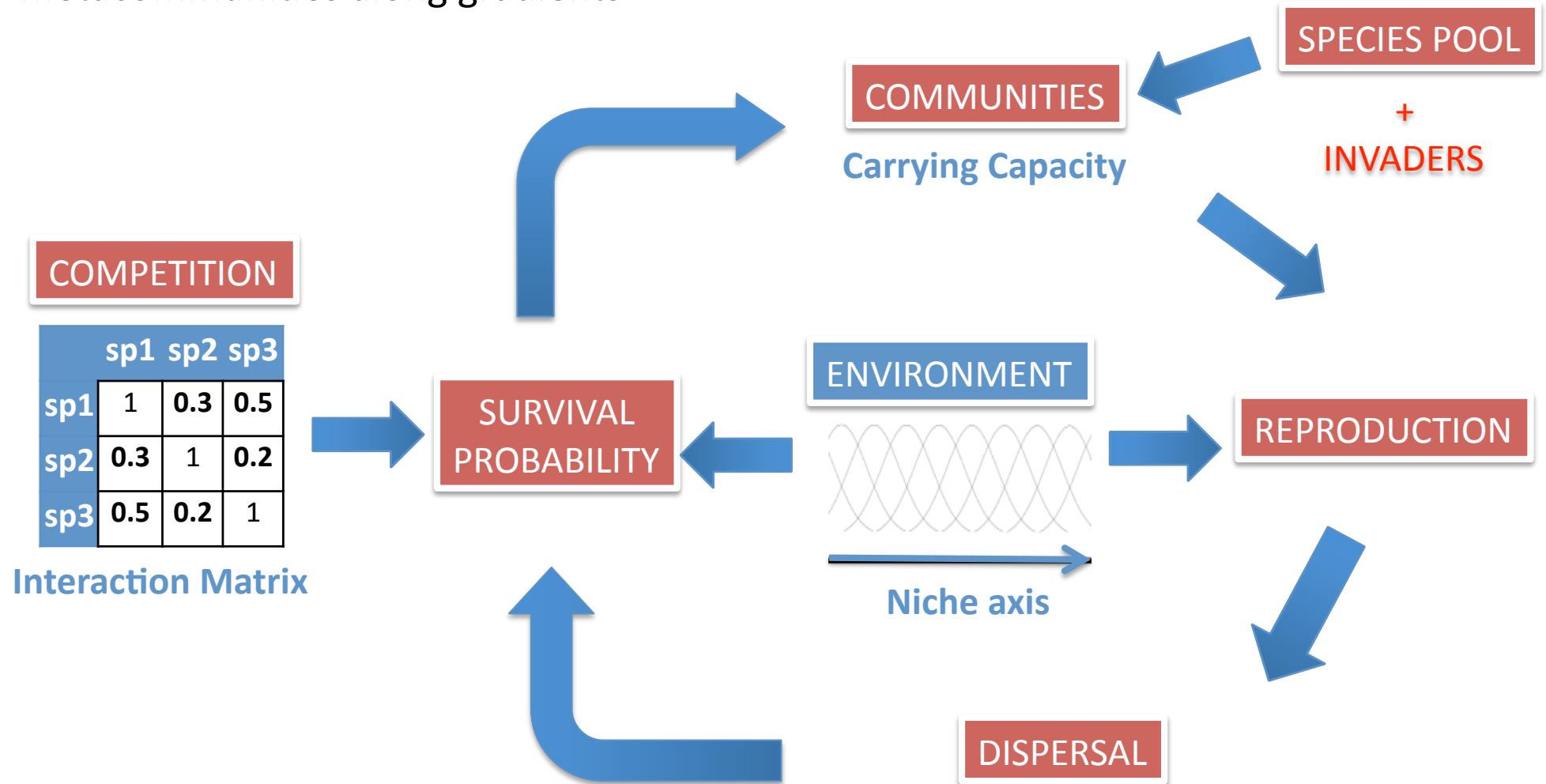


A virtual-ecologist approach: a process-based model with specific rules and parameters is used to simulate virtual data, so that the performance of statistical methods to recover the processes can be tested against a known truth.



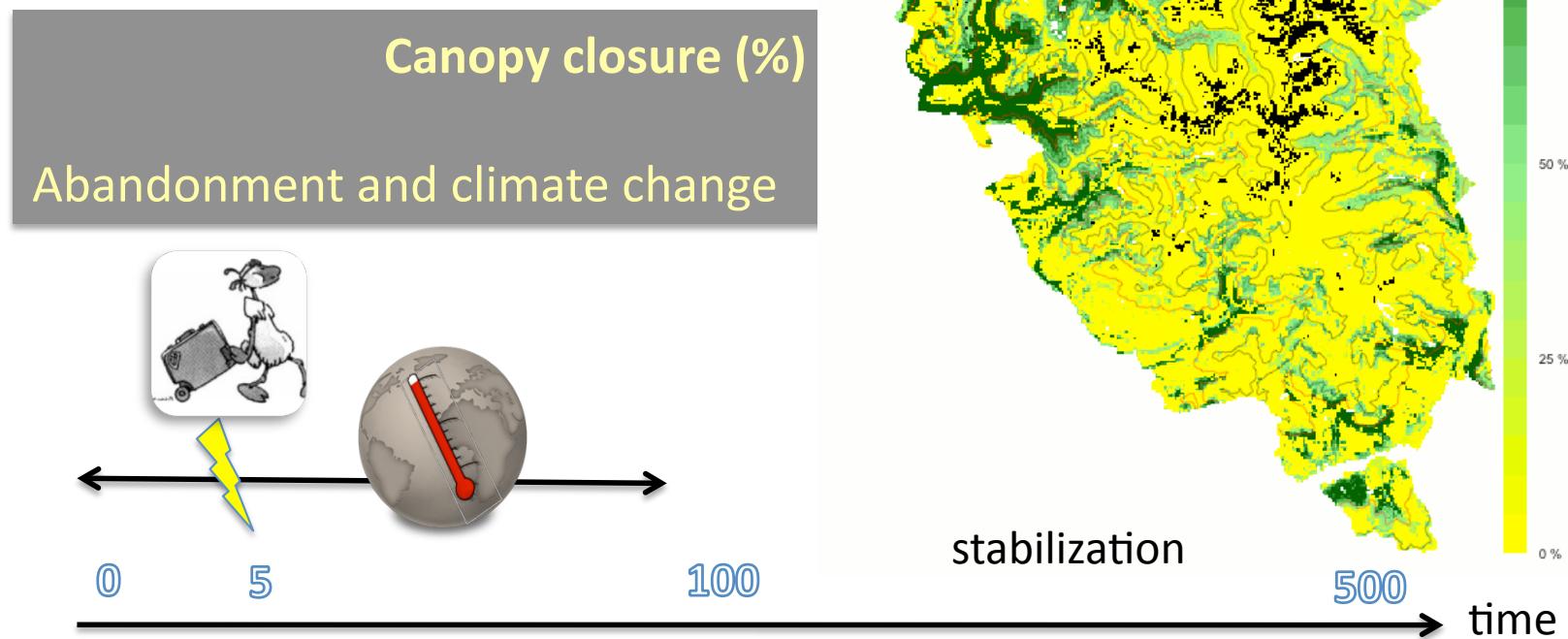
Metacommunity-simulation model

A stochastic, spatially-explicit, individual based model to simulate the dynamics of metacommunities along gradients

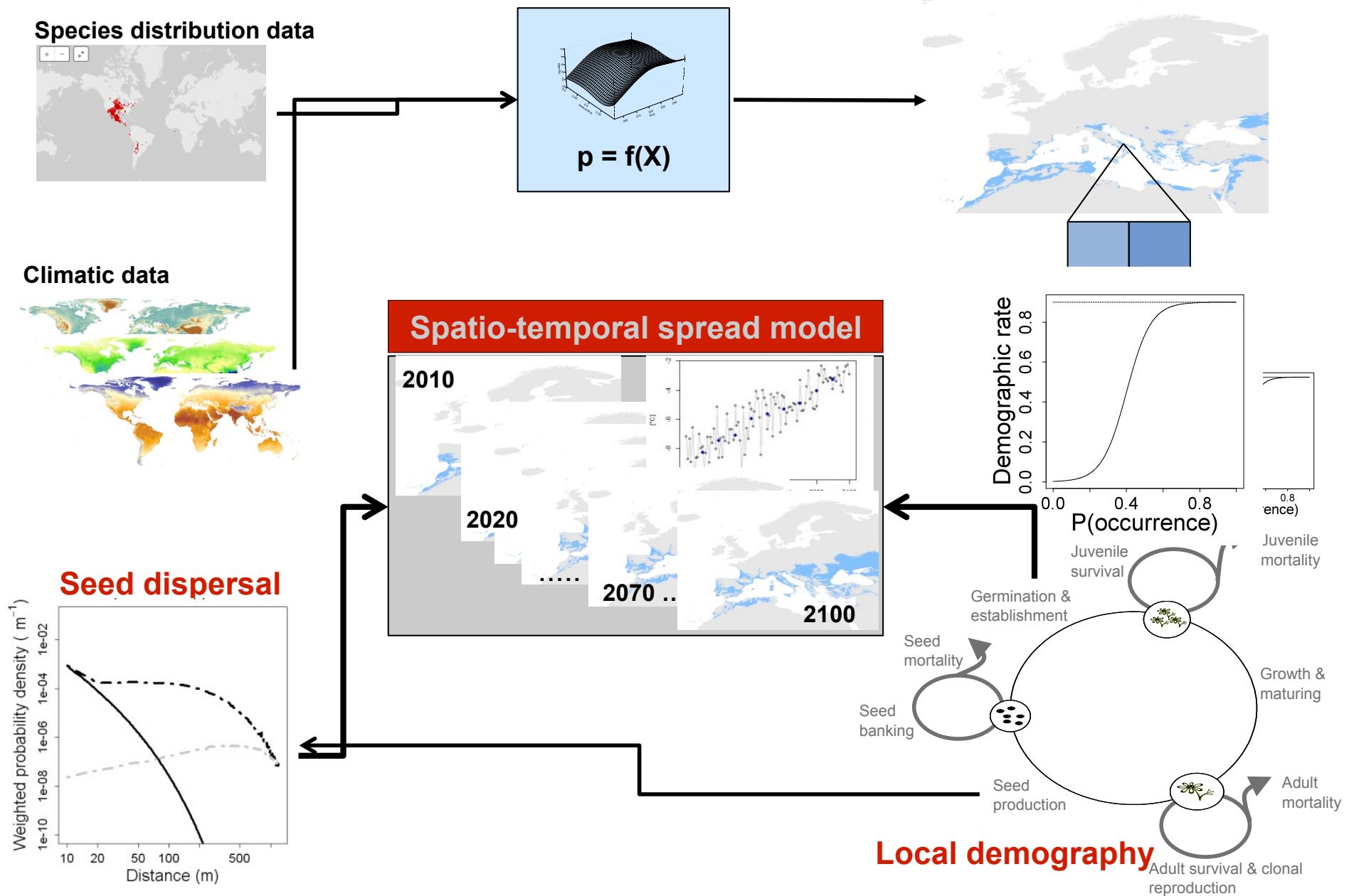


The **FATE-H hybrid-landscape model** is used to simulate the potential invasion of ornamental species (**PFTs**) in a real landscape under changing climate and landuse.

Ecrins National Park in the French Alps



Find the best combination of traits that would allow a new PFT to invade.



WP8 – Stakeholder dissemination and policy advice

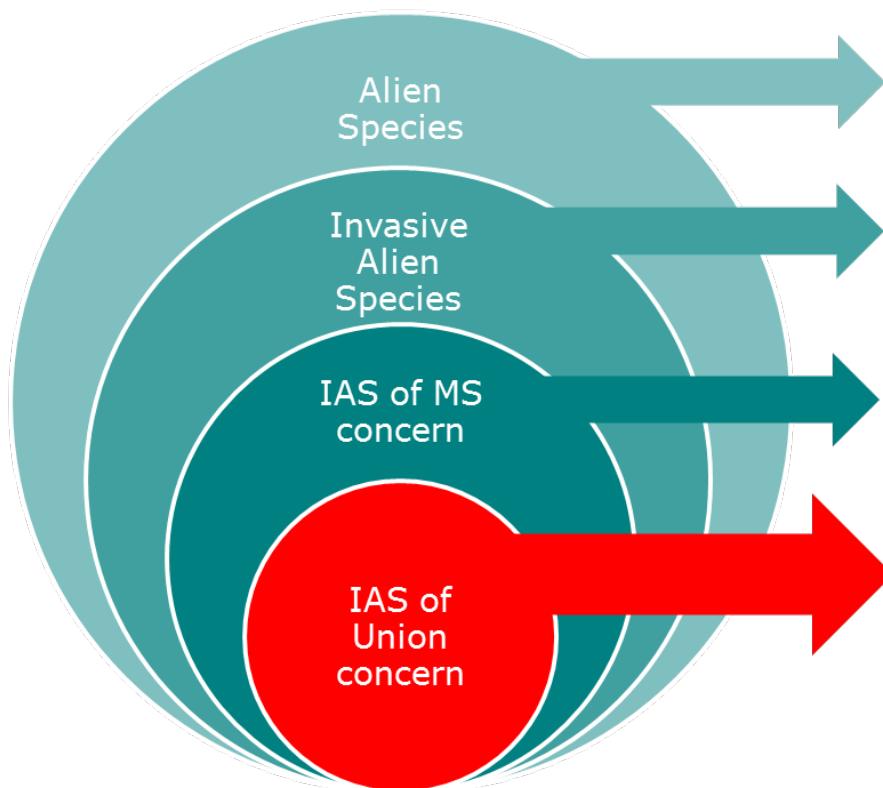


Proposal for a

REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL

on the prevention and management of the introduction and spread of invasive alien species

List of alien species of EU-concern



- 12000+ species
- 1200-1500 species?
- ? species
- On the basis of risk assessment
- Member states have to take precautionary and management measures

→ need for screening of IAS invasion / impact potential

AICHI Target 9 (CBD)



By 2020, invasive alien species and **pathways are identified and prioritized, priority species are controlled or eradicated**, and measures are in place to **manage pathways to prevent** their introduction and establishment

To-do list

- Define **lists of species** and **pathways** ✓
- Identify **priority pathways** for focusing prevention ✓
- Identify **priority species** for response ✓

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- Usual means (publications, conferences, press)
- Webpage
- Two-day workshop for stakeholders
- Present results to horticultural industry (e.g. RHS Chelsea Flower Show)
- Collaboration with managers of Ecrins National Park
- Side project with the municipality of Radolfzell and the NGO *Deutsche Umwelthilfe*

With a combination of experimental and modelling studies, we will make predictions on which ornamental plant species might naturalize and become invasive under future climatic conditions, and where in Europe these new invasions will happen.

Thanks!



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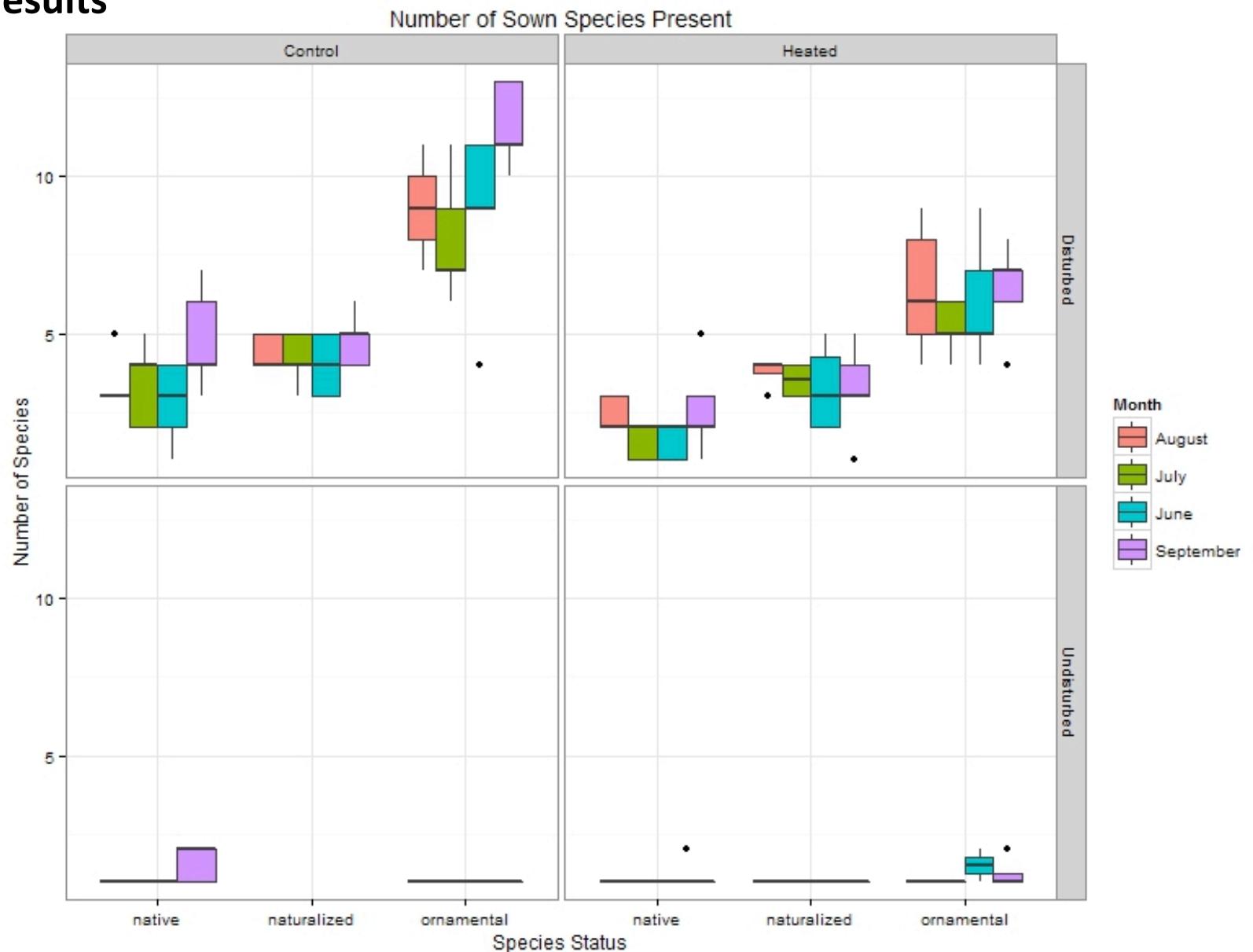


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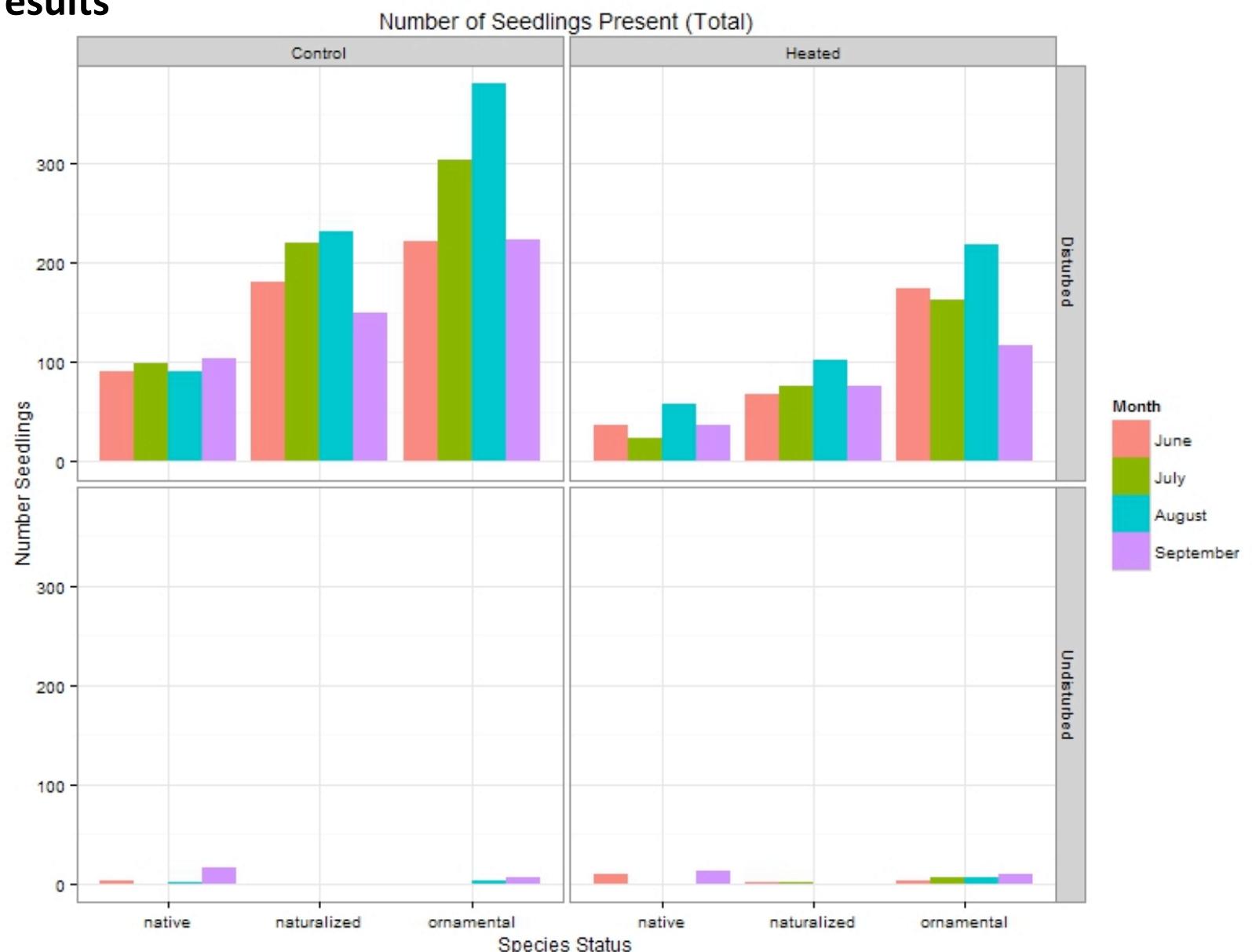


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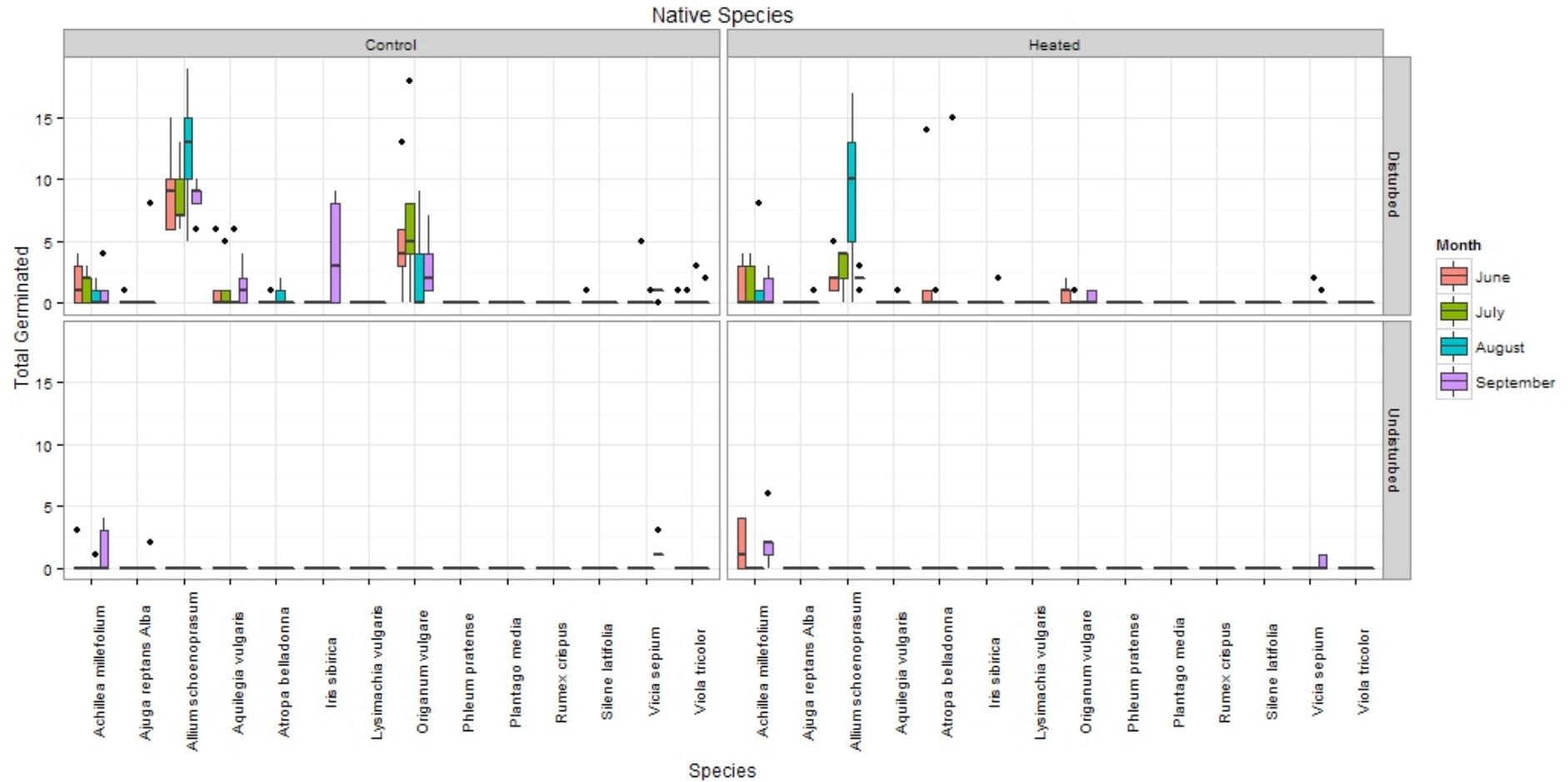
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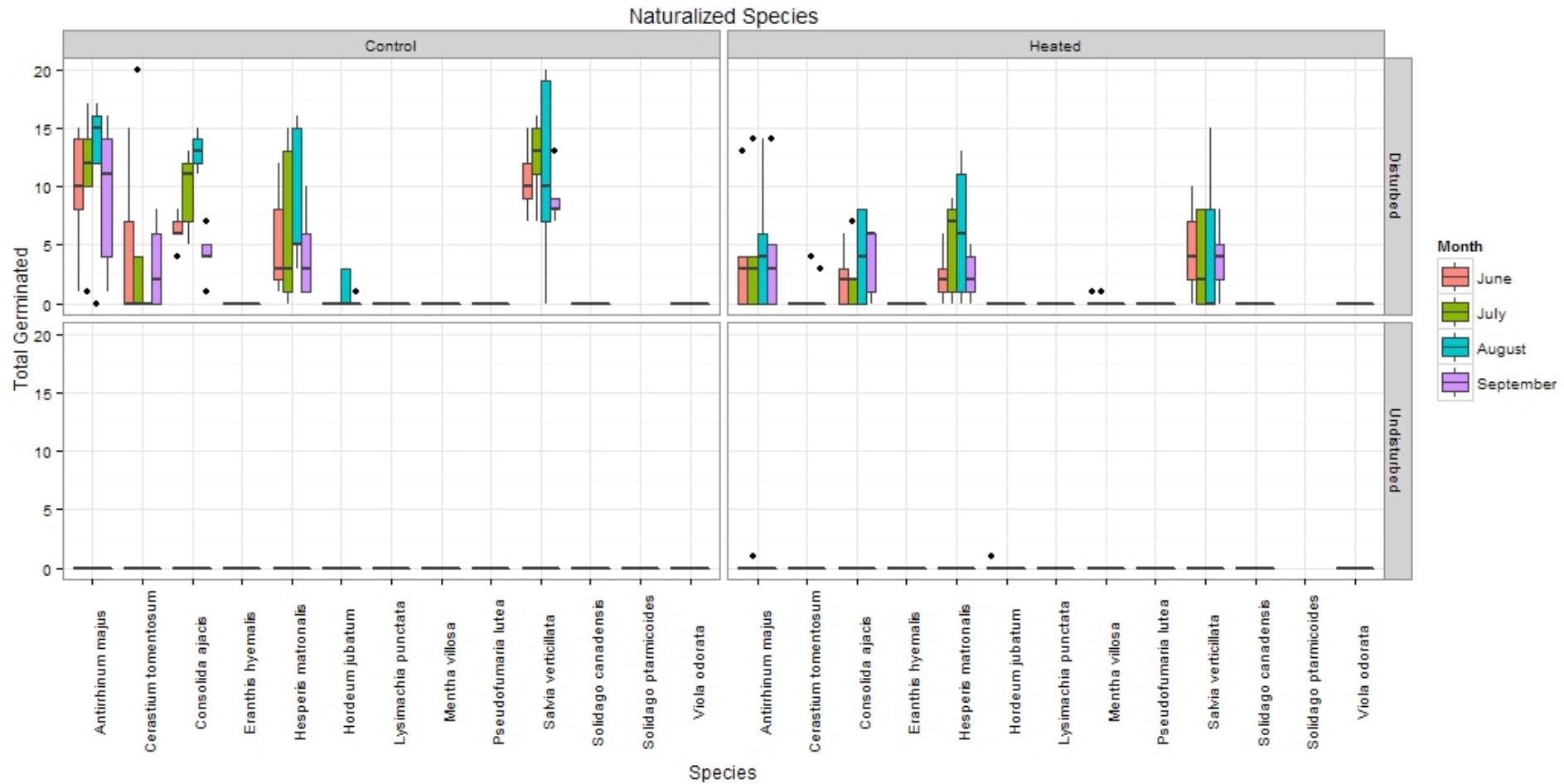
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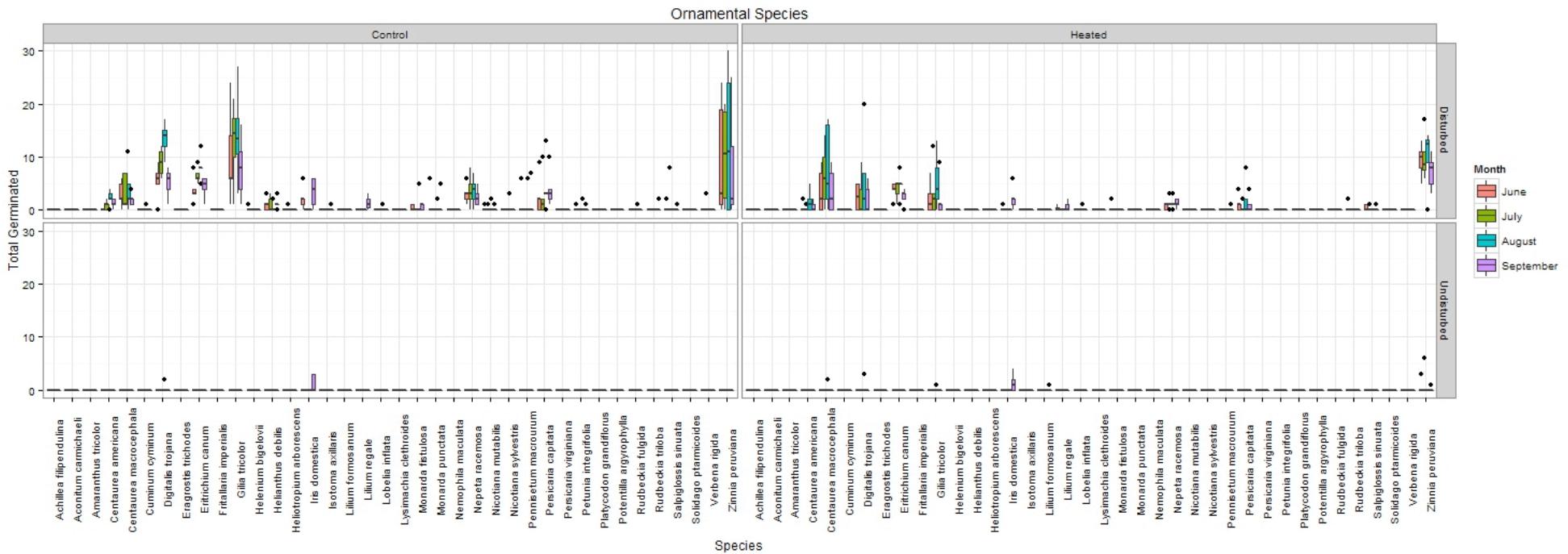
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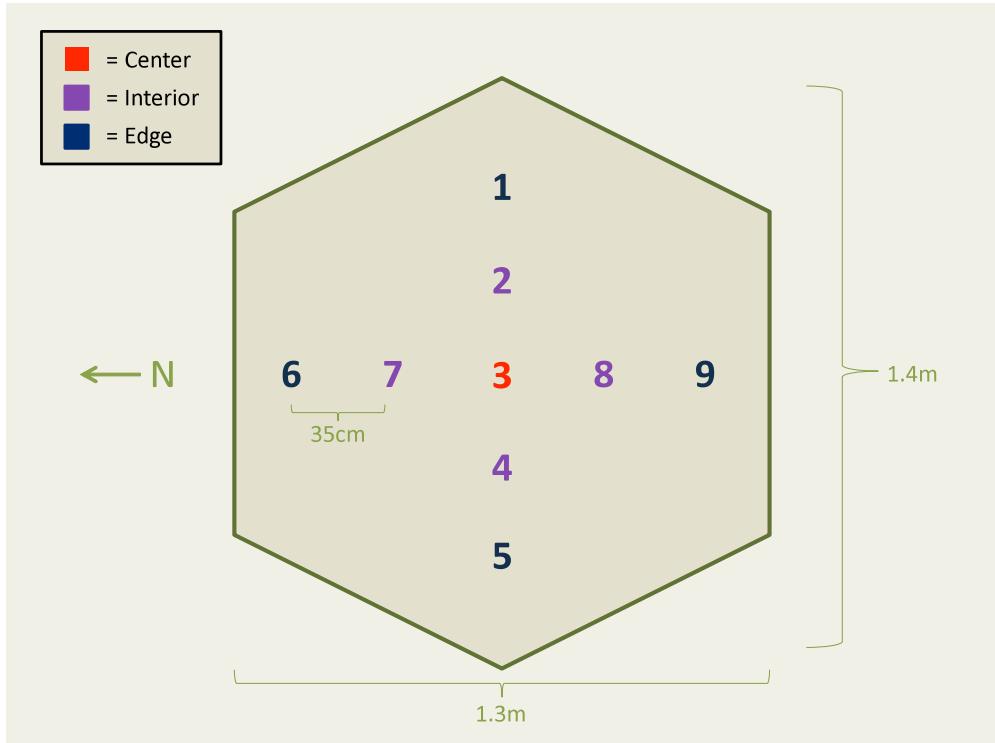
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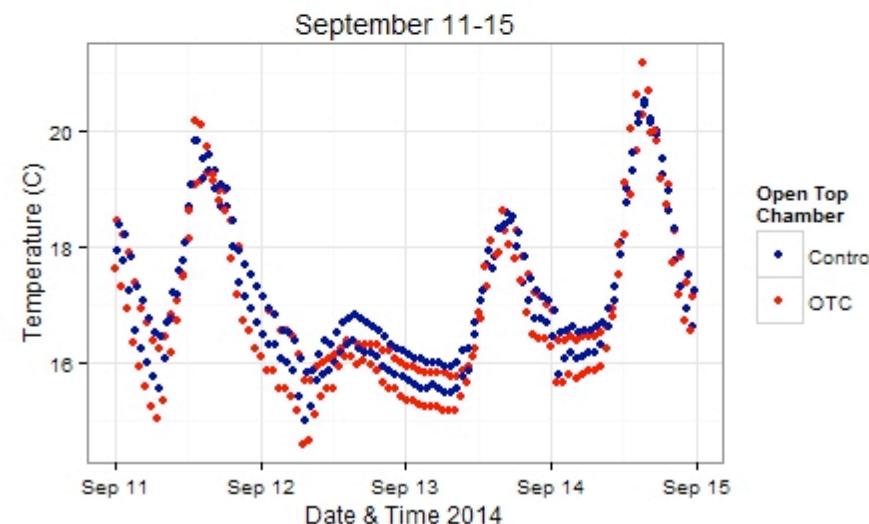
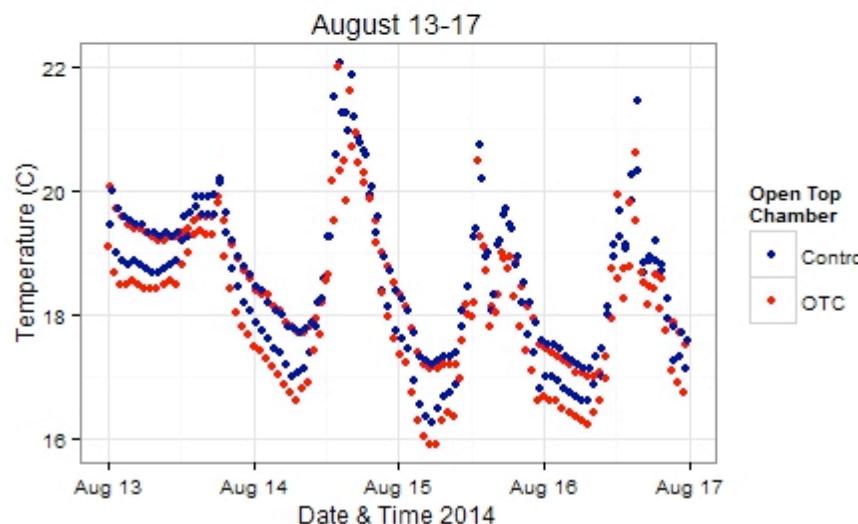
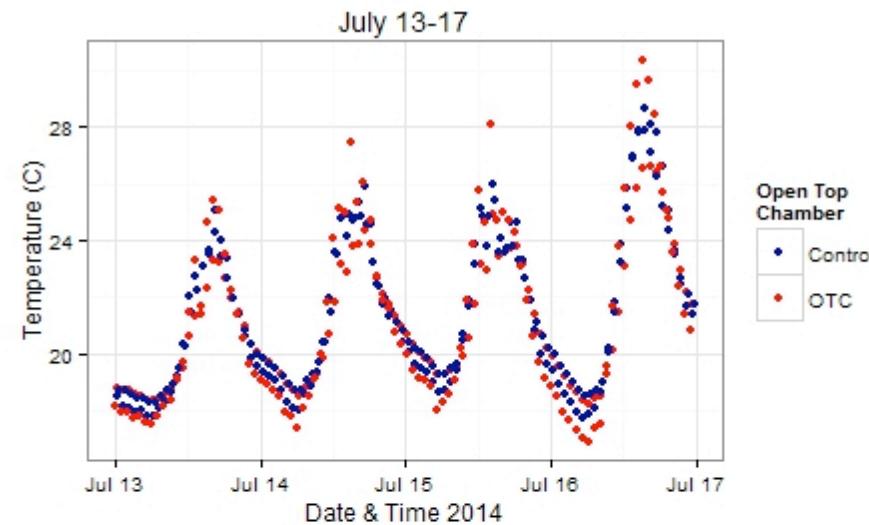
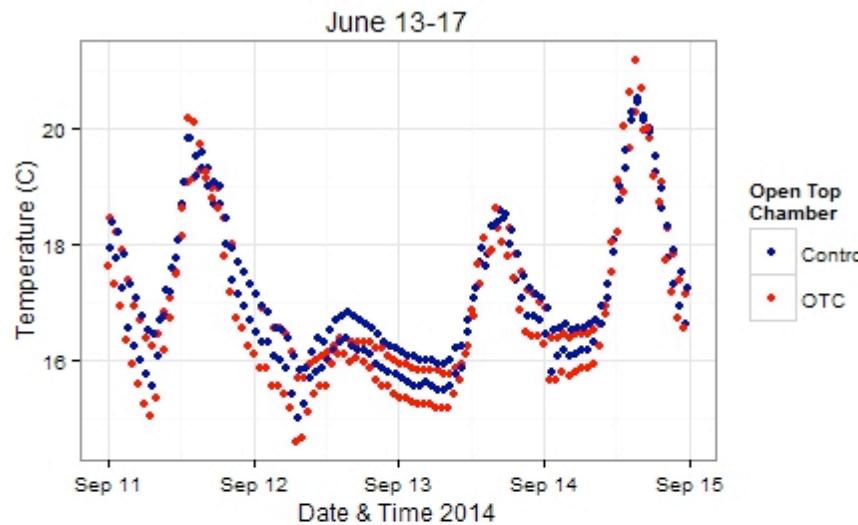


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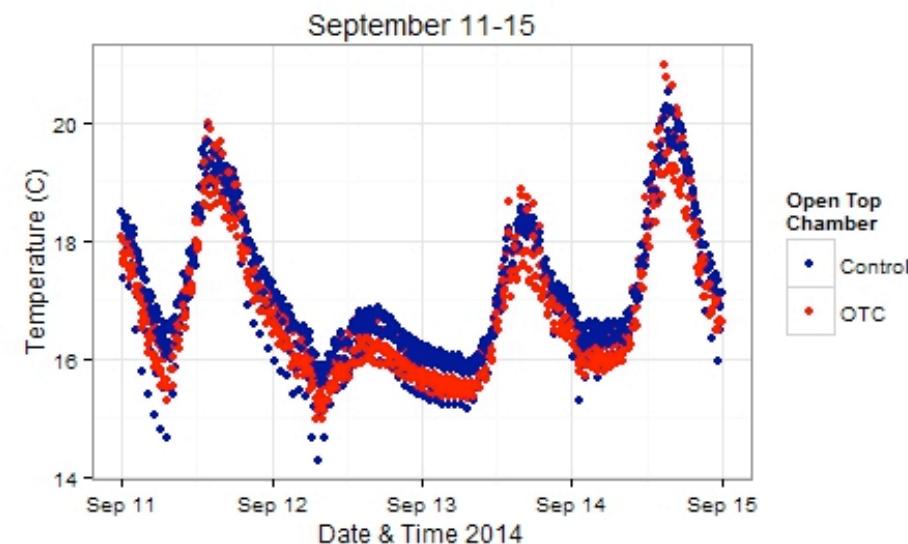
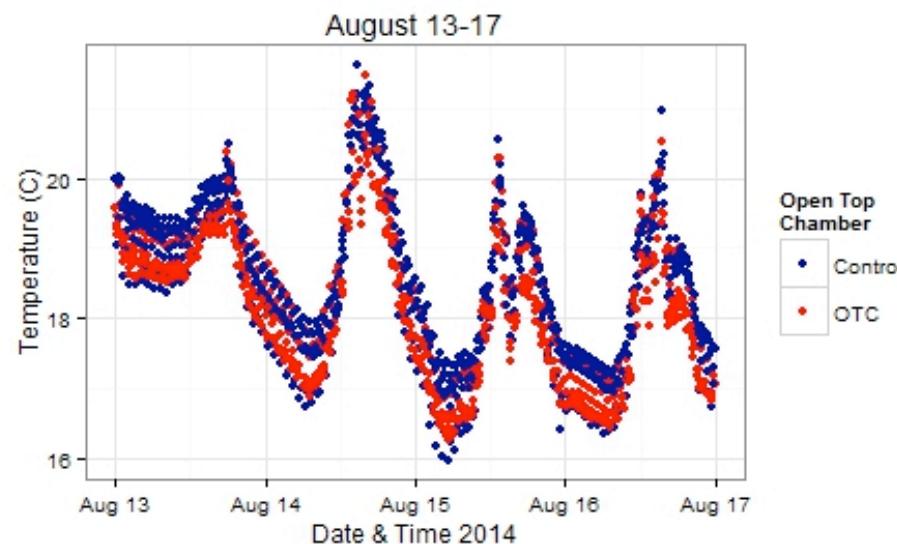
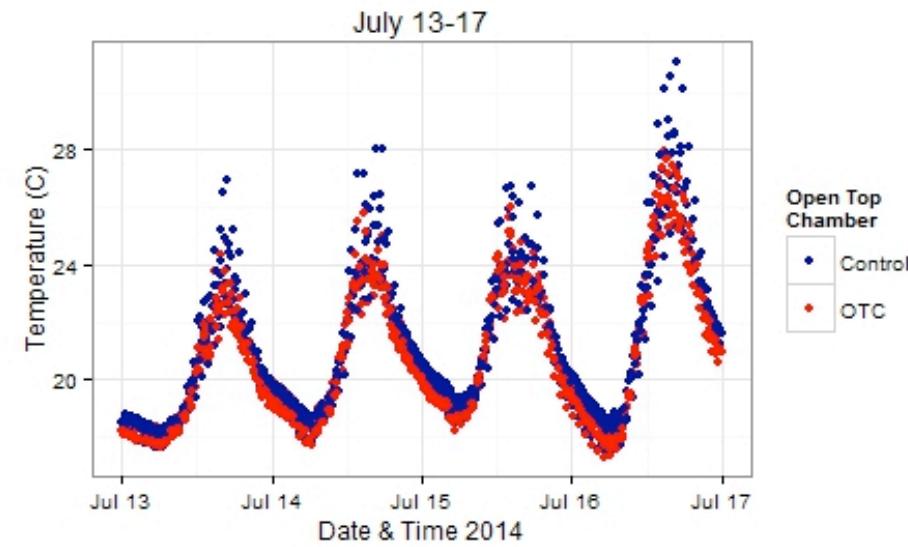
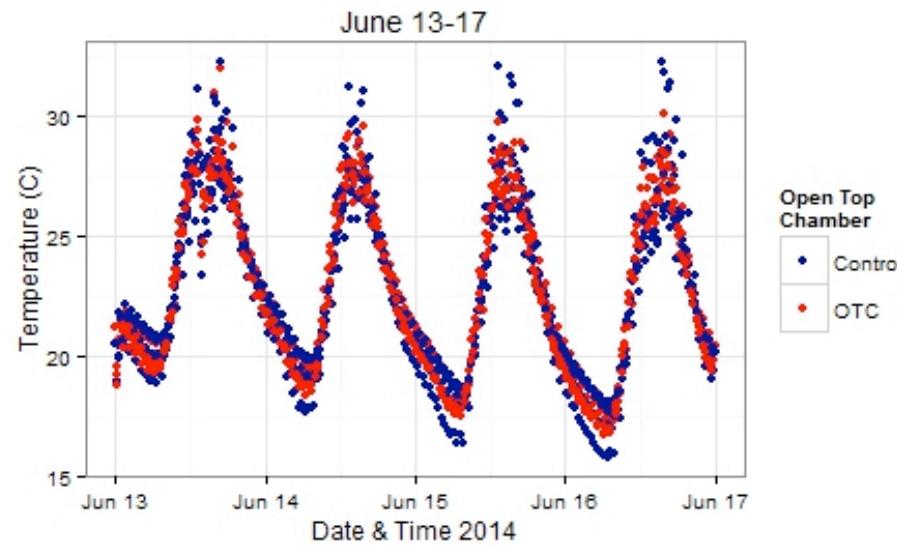
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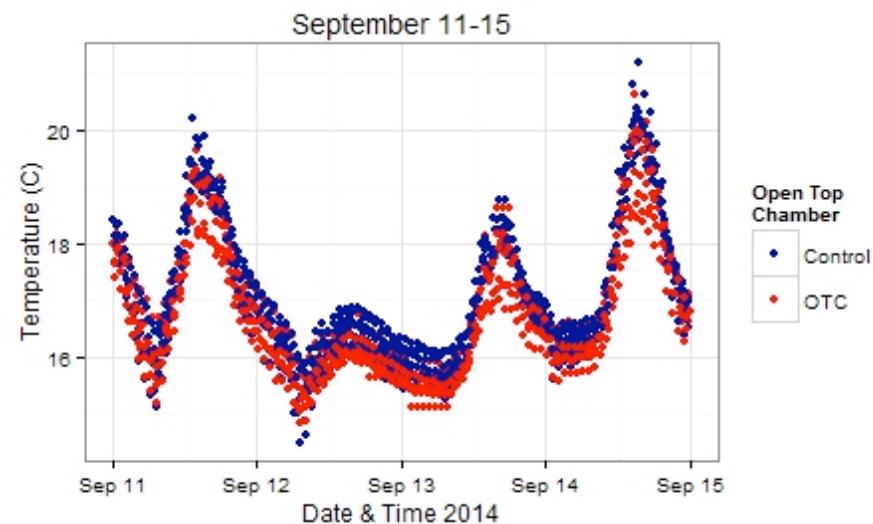
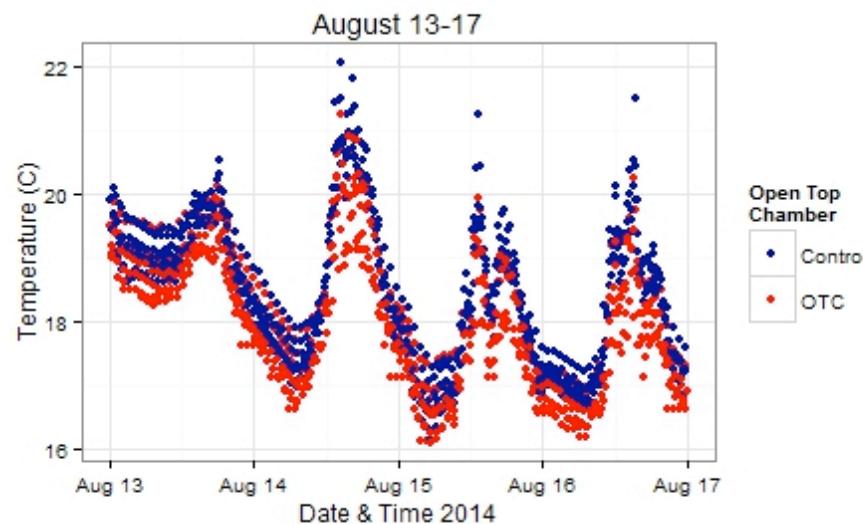
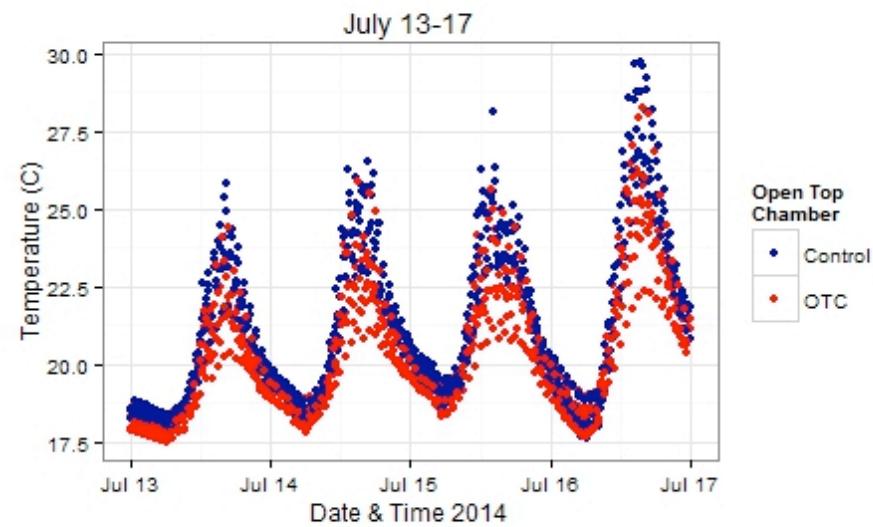
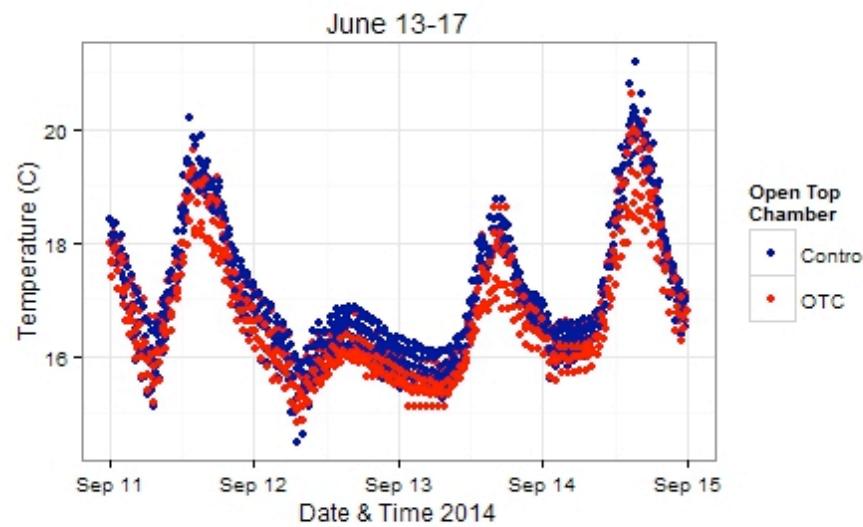
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Interior OTC Monthly Temperature



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Edge OTC Monthly Temperature

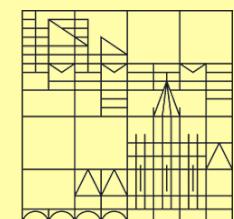


The GloNAF Database: Patterns in the Global Naturalized Alien Flora



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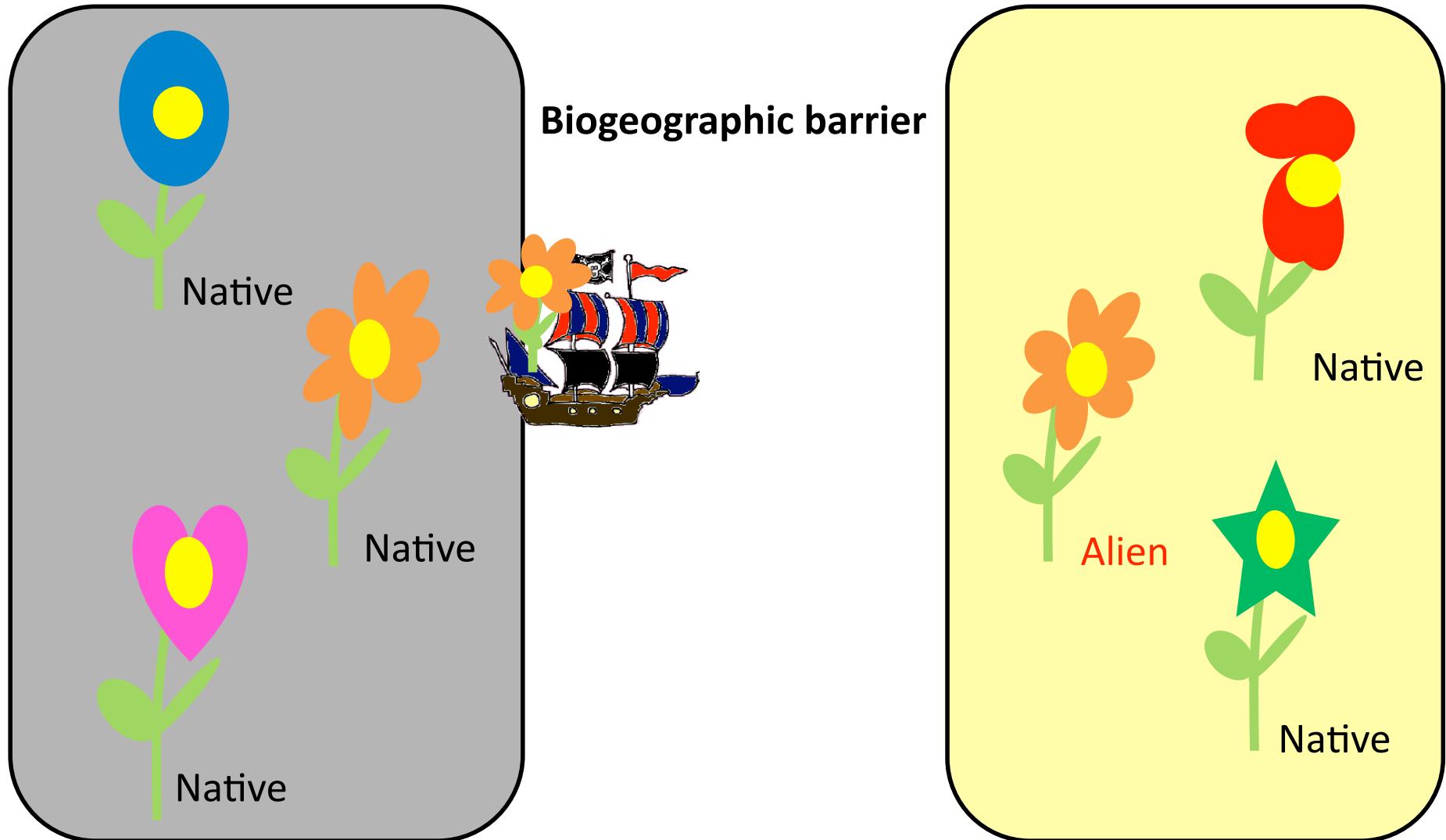
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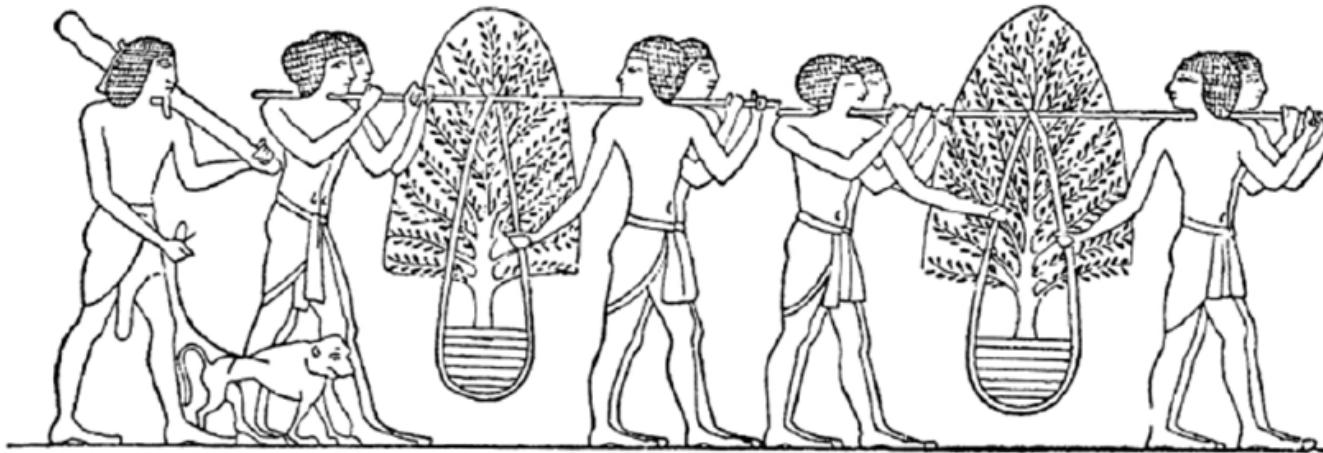
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Anthropogenic break-down of biogeographic barriers

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c. 1500 BC



Loading tree saplings on Queen Hatusu's ships. From *Deir el-Bahari* (Edwards 1892).



William Dampier
(1651-1715)

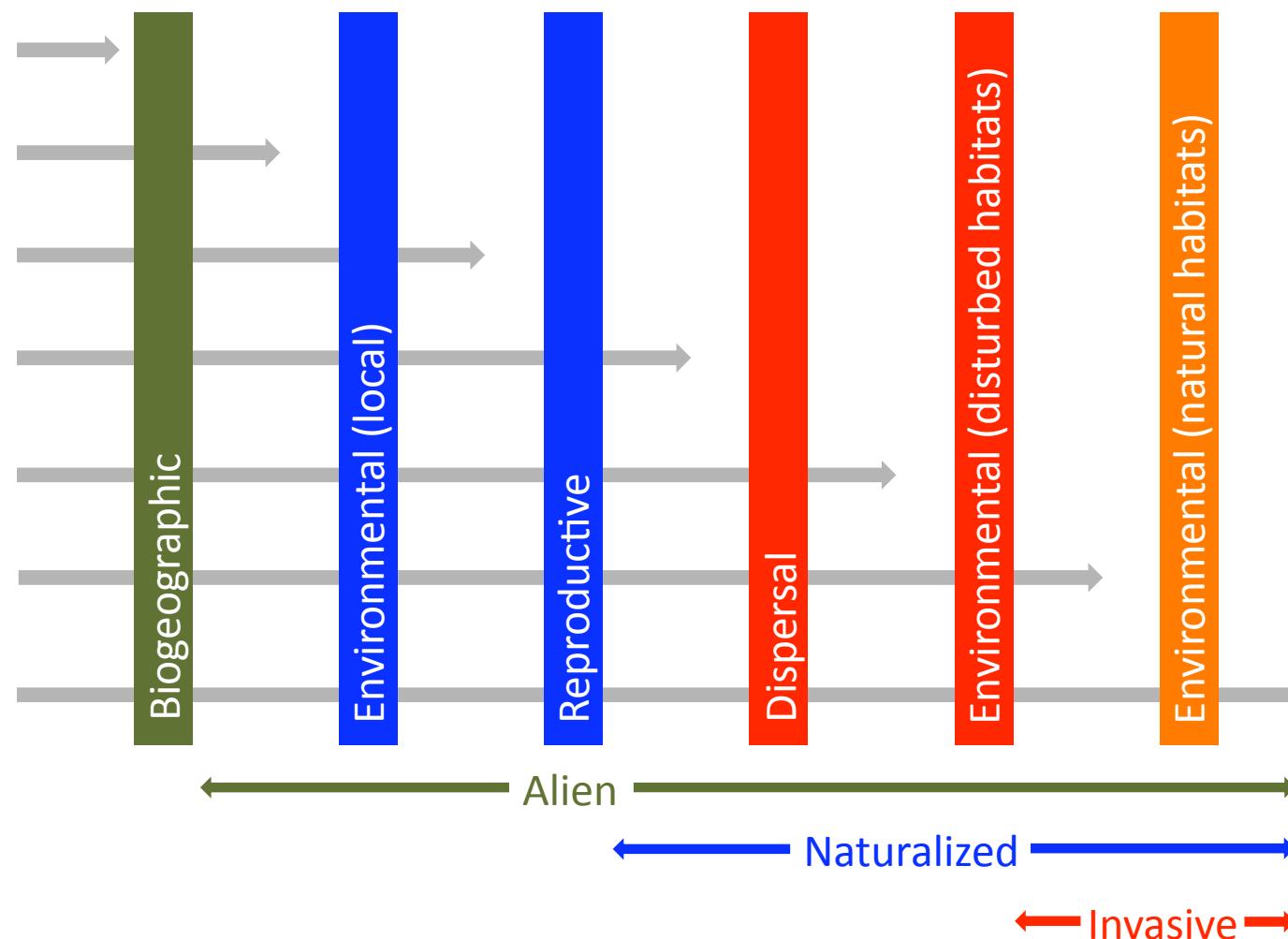


Ernest Henry Wilson
(1876-1930)



Barriers during the invasion process

Few of the introduced aliens naturalize.



The questions

What are the global patterns?

- Which species are the **most widely naturalized** around the globe?
- Which **families are overrepresented**, and which ones are underrepresented?
- Which continent is **the major sink** of naturalized species?
- Which continent is **the major source** of naturalized species?
- How **similar are the naturalized floras** of different regions?
- What is the role of **horticultural usage**?

Compiling GloNAF

Data sources

- Existing naturalized alien plant compendia (e.g. DAISIE)
- Regional or national alien plant lists (e.g. Madagascar)
- Floral compendia including aliens (e.g. BONAPI, the Plants of Africa))
- Online floras including aliens (e.g. Brazil)
- Flora books including aliens (e.g. New Caledonia)
- Species lists compiled specifically for GloNAF (e.g. Indian and Chinese provinces)

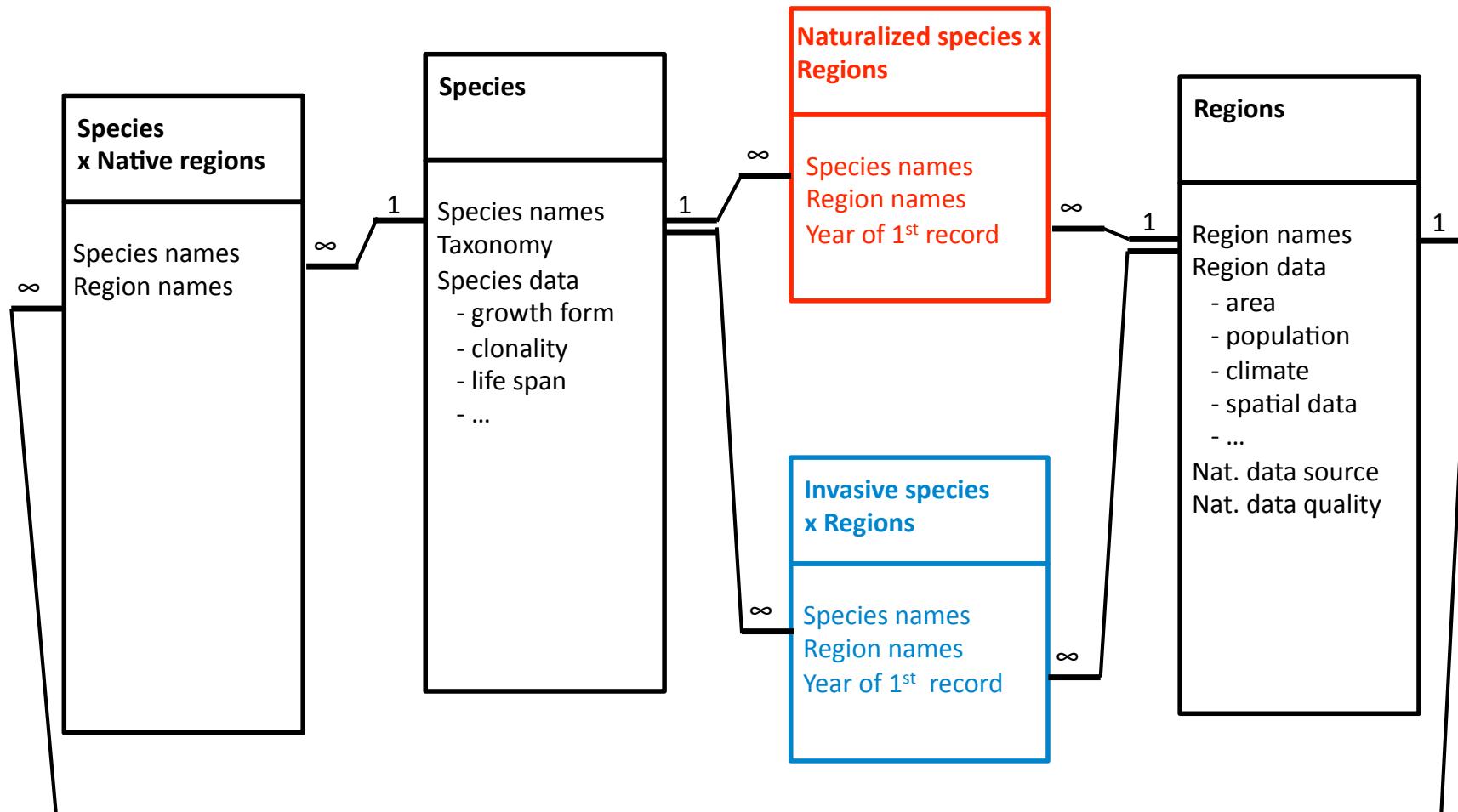
Taxonomic standardization

- The Plant List
- R-package Taxonstand
- GRIN, Google, ...



Ultimate database structure of GloNAF

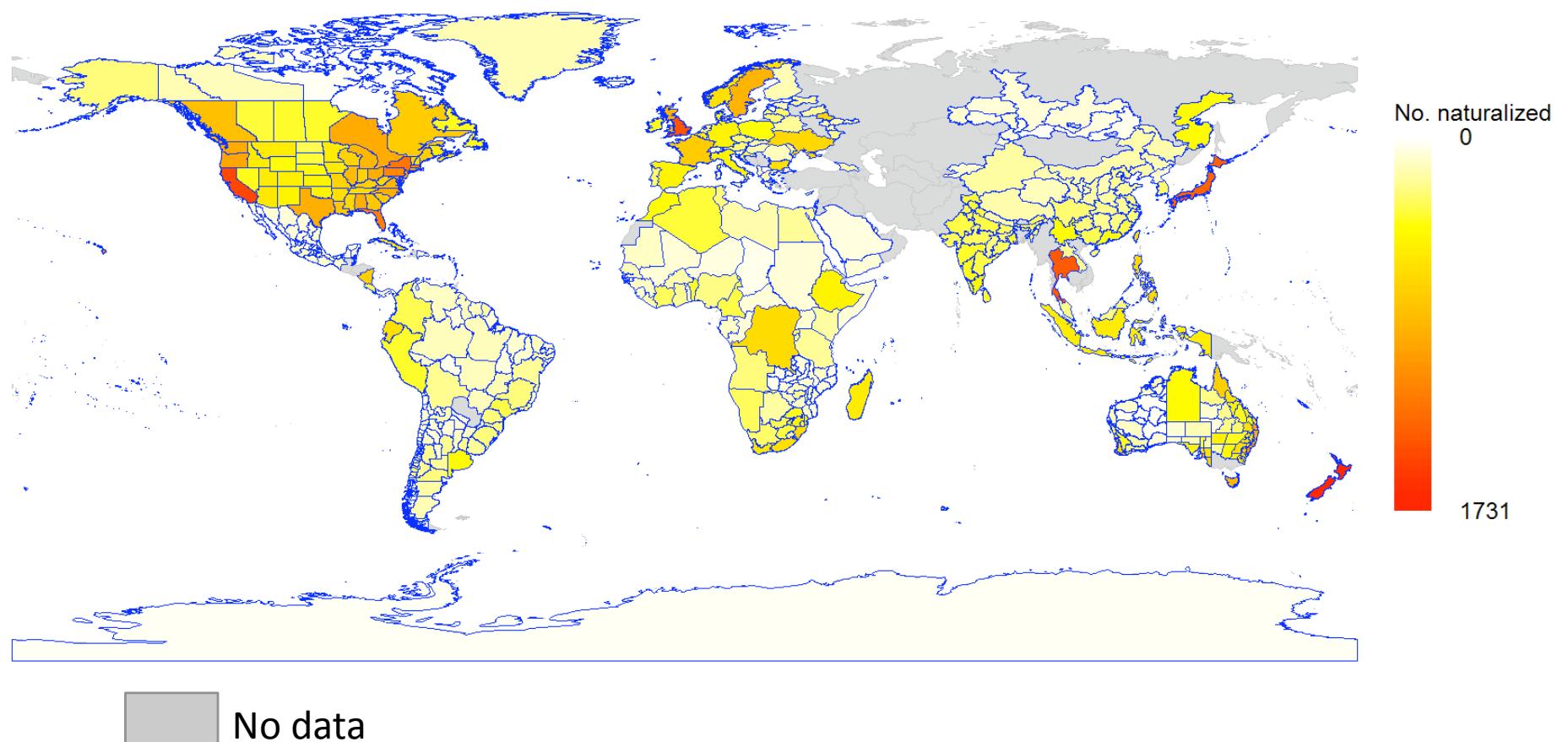
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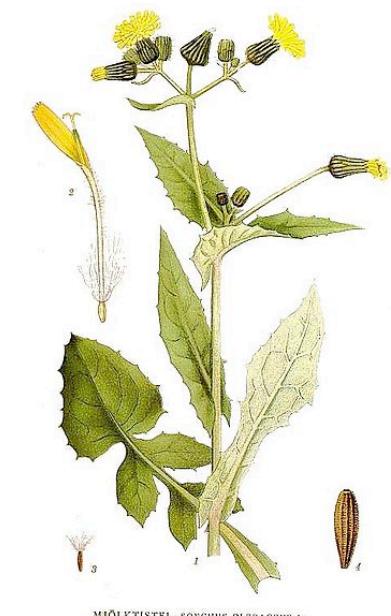
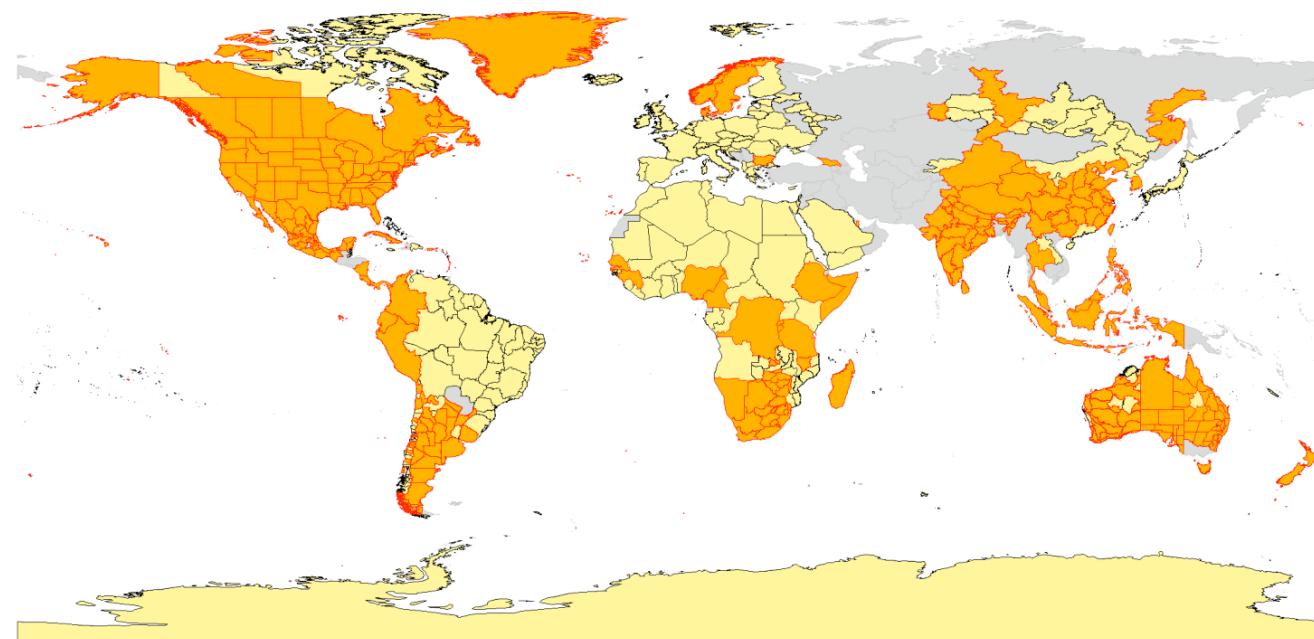
827 non-overlapping regions



The most widely naturalized species

***Sonchus oleraceus* (L.) L.**

393 of the 827 GloNAF regions



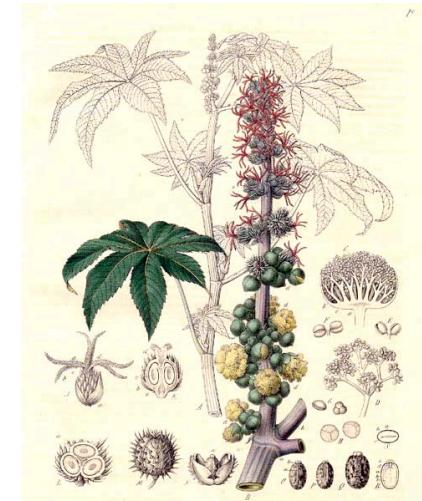
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- GloNAF regions in which species has naturalized
- GloNAF regions in which species is not known to have naturalized
- No data

The most widely naturalized species

The top ten

Rank	Species	No. GloNAF regions (total: 827)
1	<i>Sonchus oleraceus</i> (L.) L.	393
2	<i>Ricinus communis</i> L.	366
3	<i>Eleusine indica</i> (L.) Gaertn.	302
4	<i>Chenopodium album</i> L.	295
5	<i>Capsella bursa-pastoris</i> (L.) Medik.	294
6	<i>Stellaria media</i> (L.) Vill.	273
7	<i>Echinochloa crus-galli</i> (L.) P. Beauv.	264
8	<i>Datura stramonium</i> L.	263
9	<i>Oxalis corniculata</i> L.	260
10	<i>Poa annua</i> L.	255



Ricinus communis L.
[http://www.meemelink.com/
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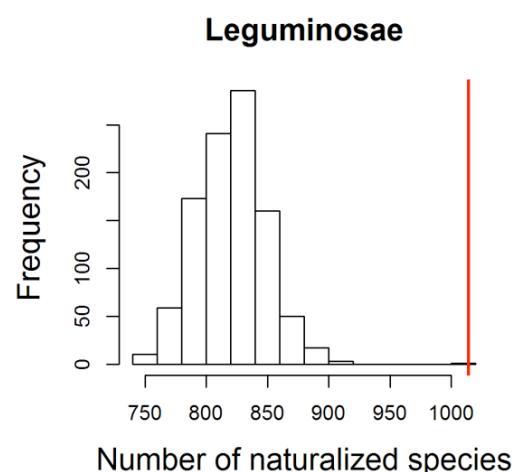
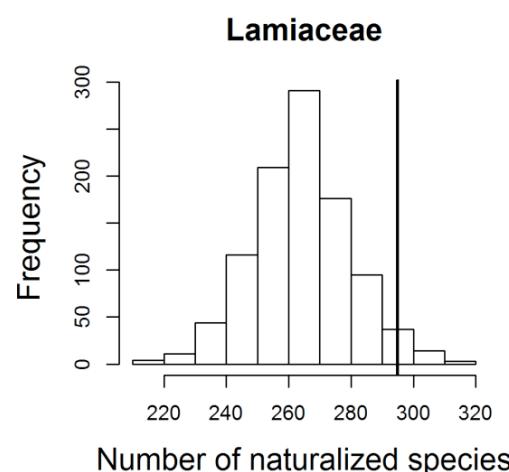
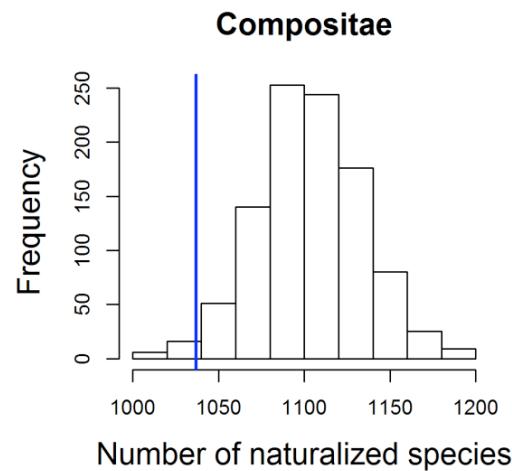
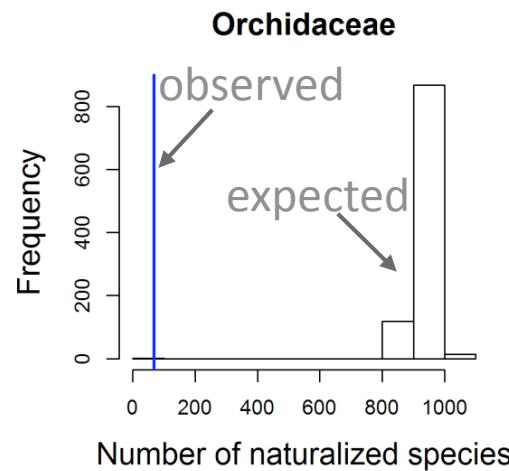


Eleusine indica (L.) Gaertn.
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Naturalized species among vascular plant families

Observed and expected numbers of naturalized species per family

Histograms of randomization results and observed values for a subset of families



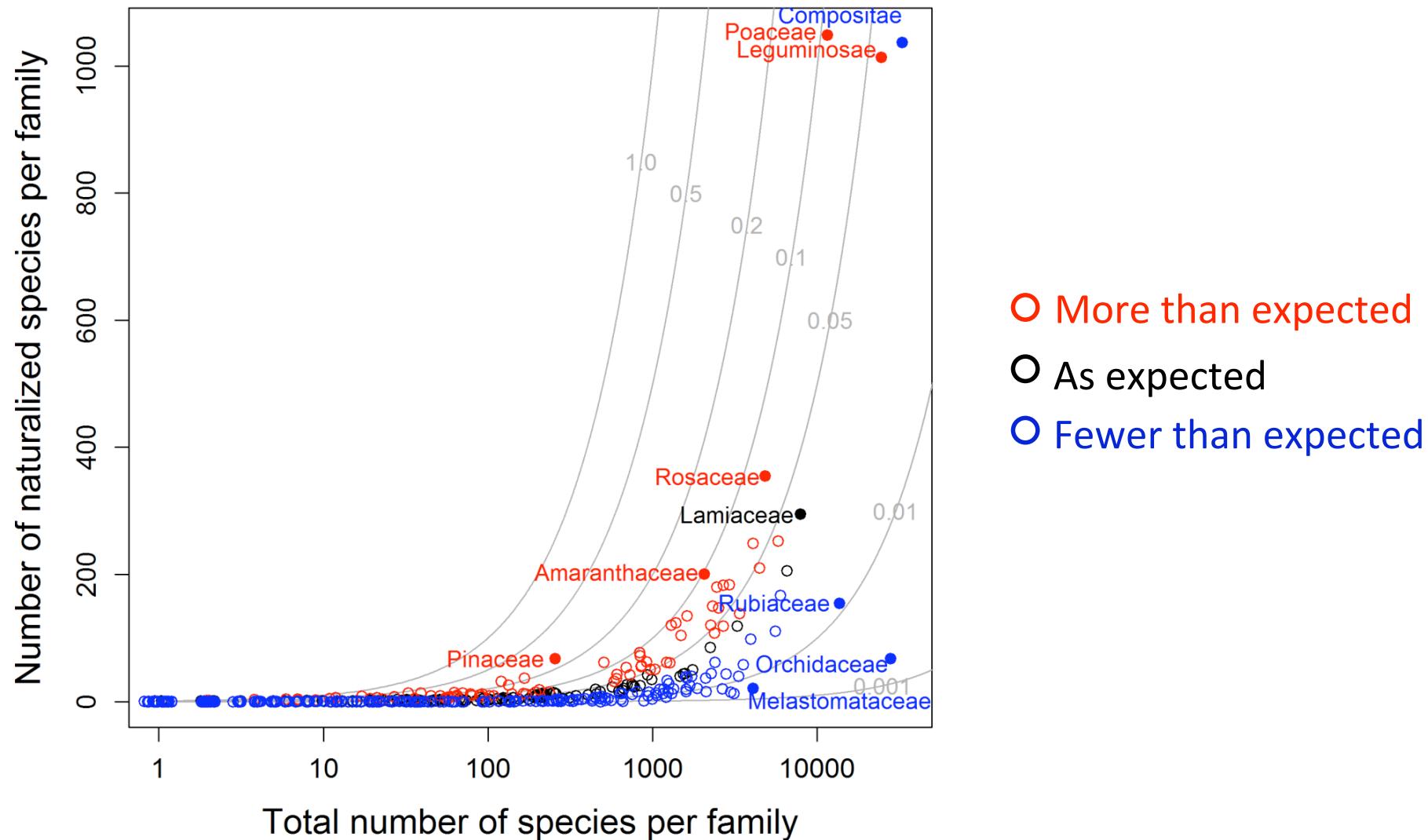
More than expected

As expected

Fewer than expected

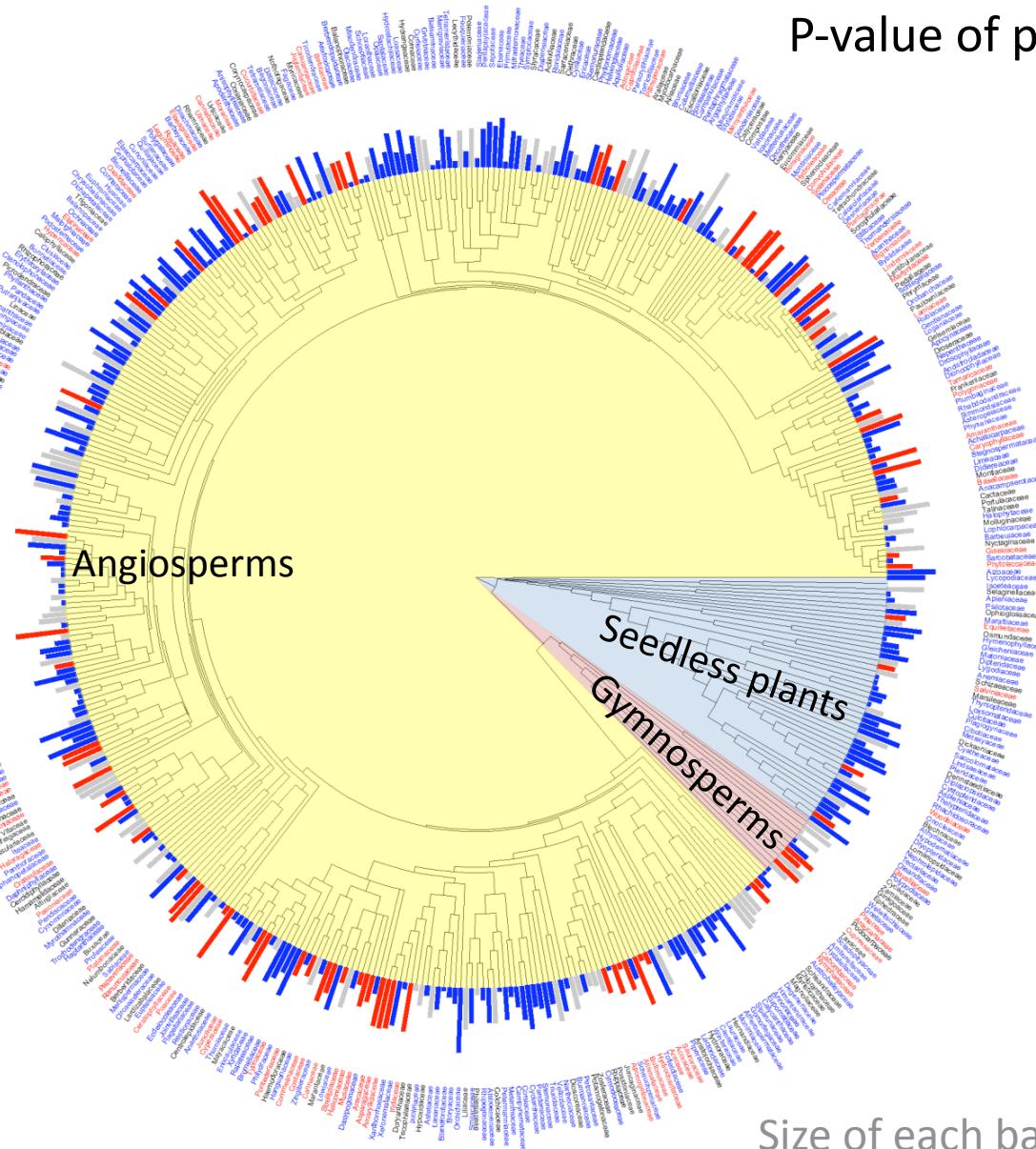
Naturalized species among vascular plant families

10'580 out of 316'136 accepted vascular plant species (3.3%)



Naturalized species among vascular plant families

P-value of phylogenetic signal: 0.0550



More than expected

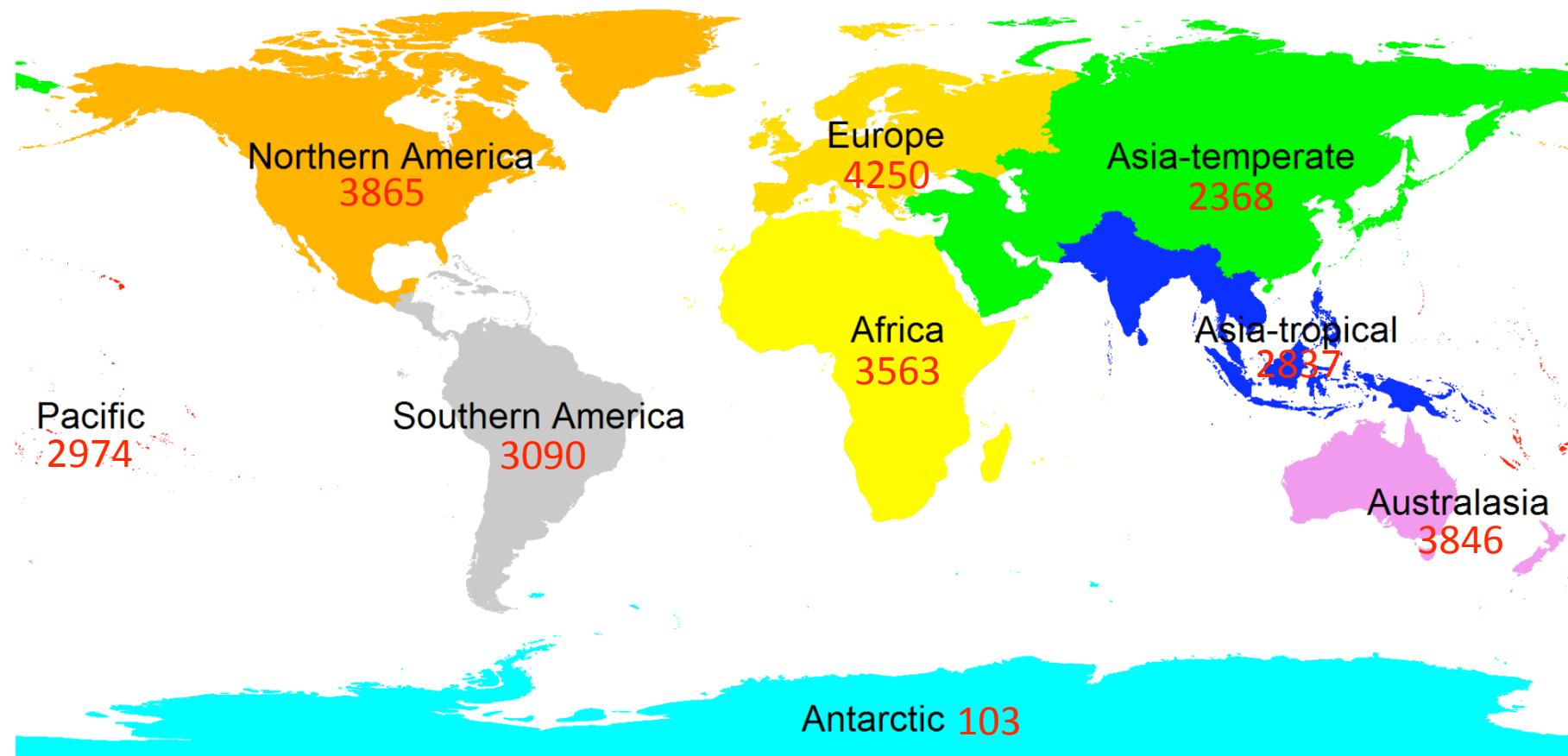
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Fewer than expected

Size of each bar indicates the size of the family

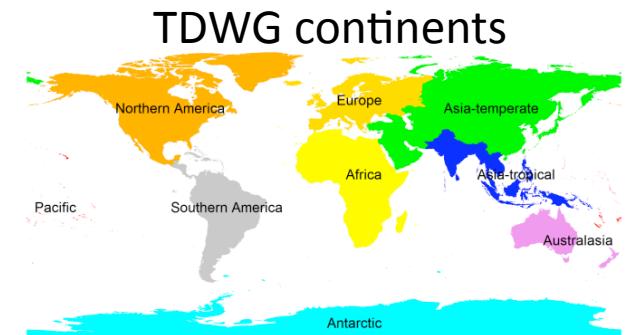
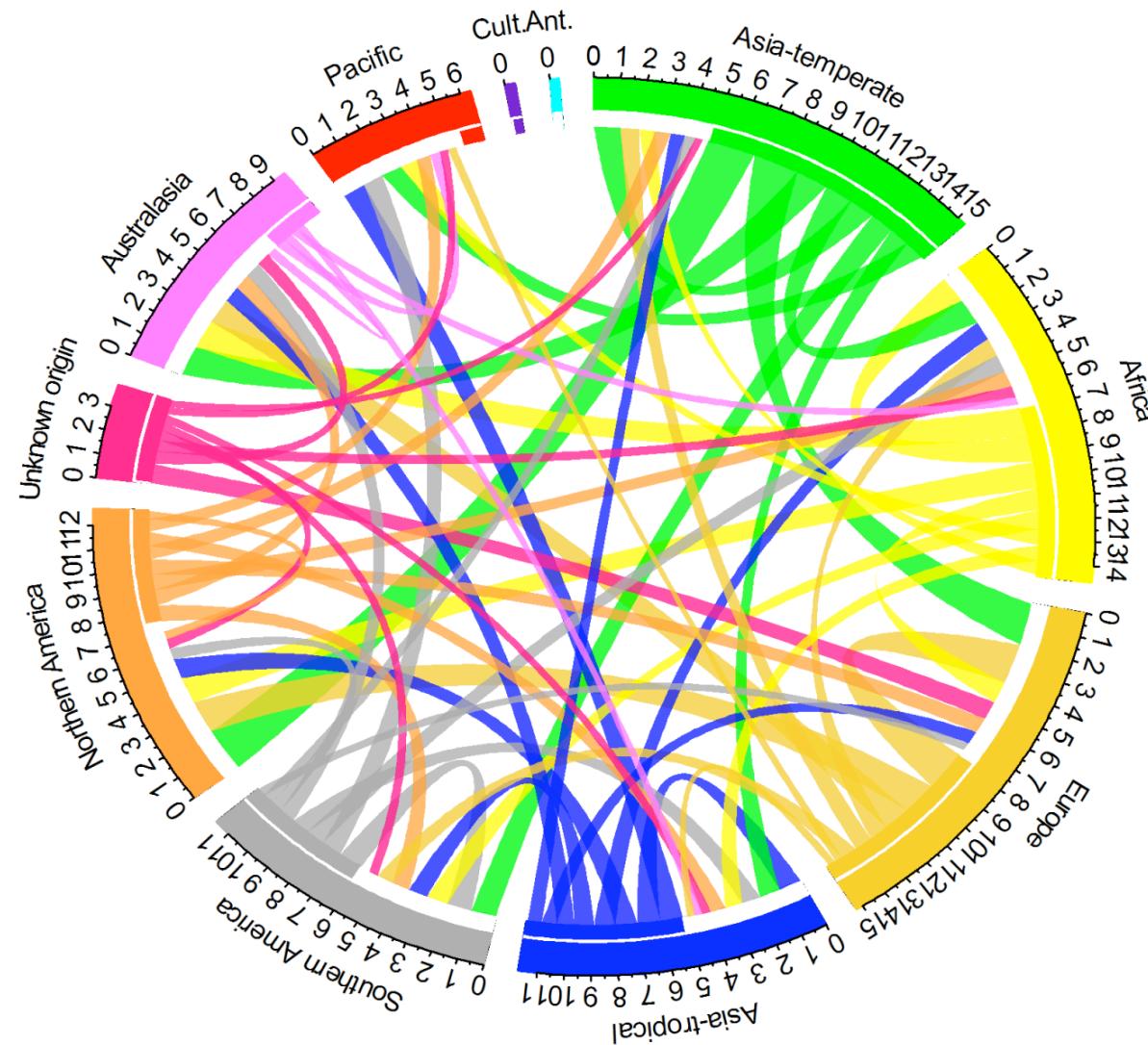
Number of naturalized taxa per TDWG continent

Europe is the largest sink for naturalized taxa.



The global flow of naturalized taxa

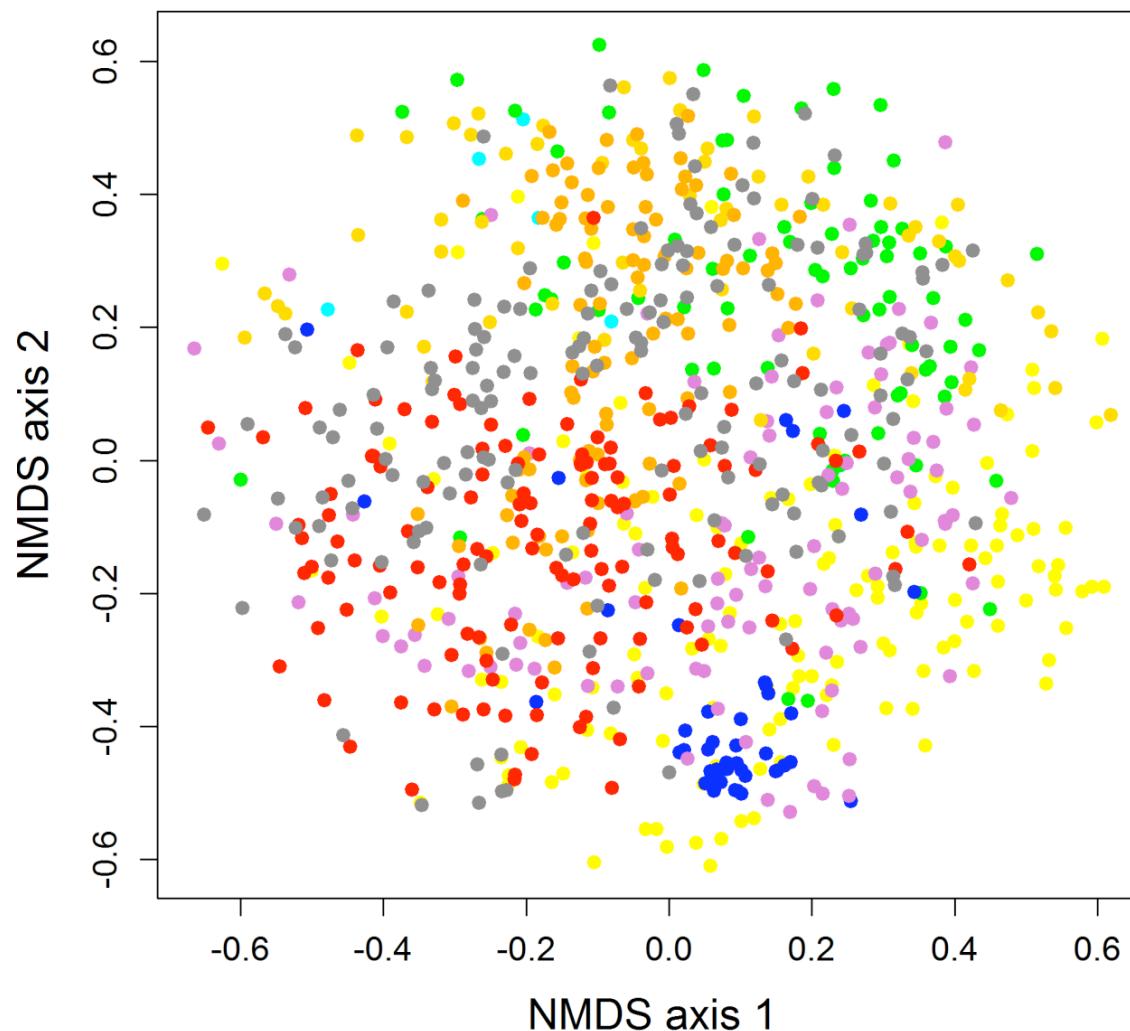
Asia-temperate is the major donor of naturalized taxa (preliminary result)



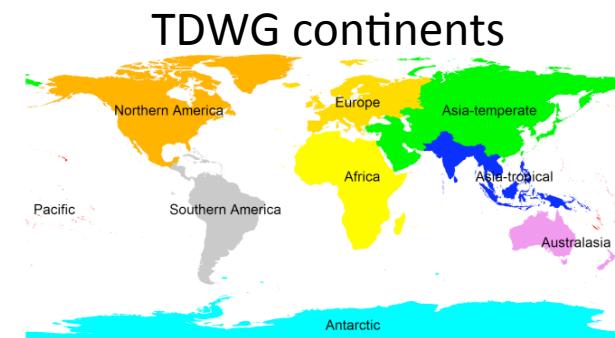
Only top 50% of flows are shown.

Similarity in composition of the naturalized floras

NMDS axis 1 and 2 values for each of the 827 GloNAF regions



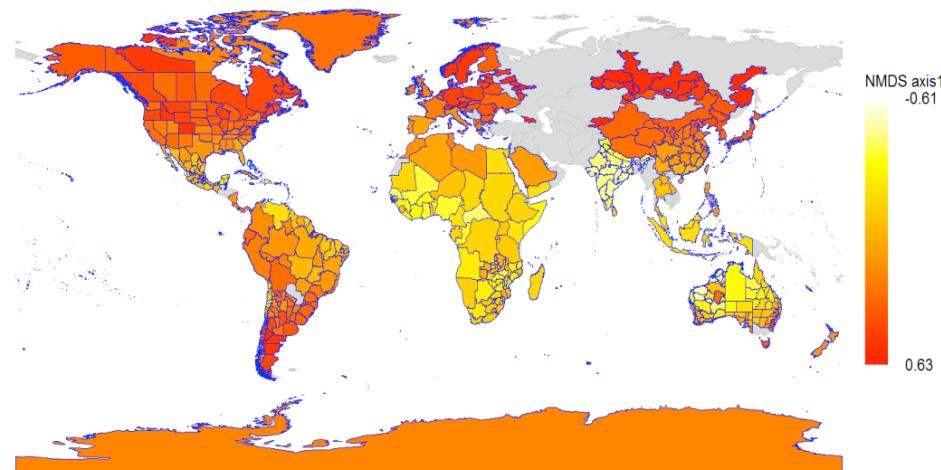
Permanova for TDWG continent
 $F_{8,818} = 14.65, P < 0.001$



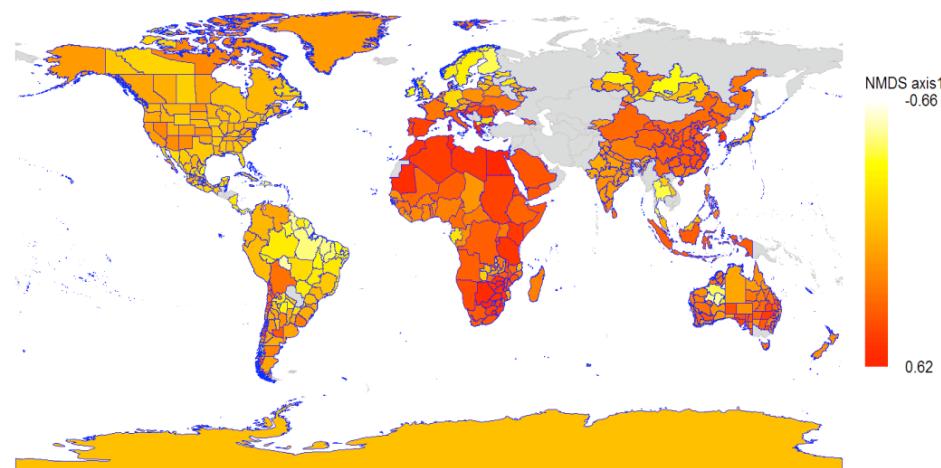
NMDS-analysis
 Jaccard-dissimilarity matrix
 6 dimensions
 Stress = 0.195

Similarity in composition of the naturalized floras

NMDS axis 1



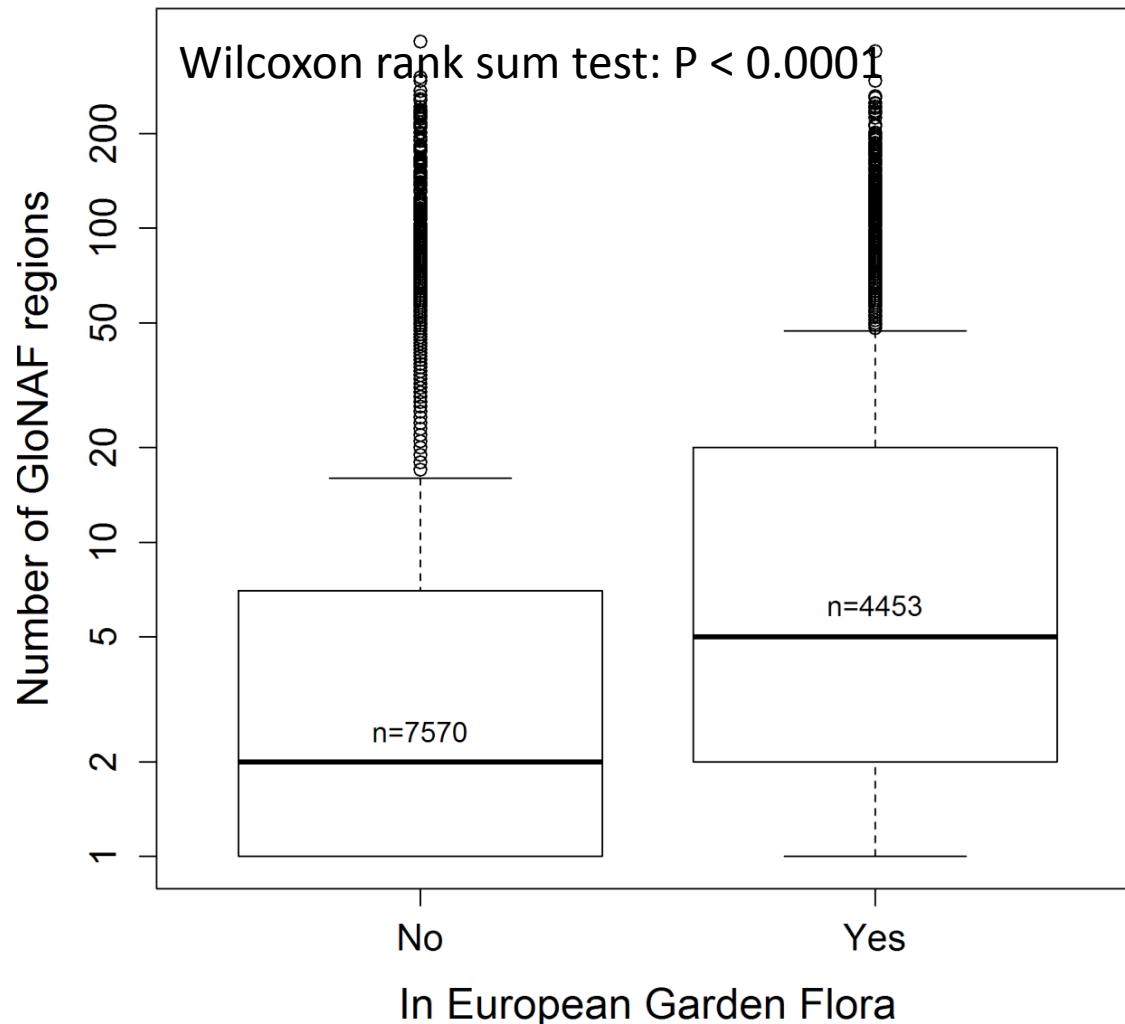
NMDS axis 2



NMDS-analysis
Jaccard-dissimilarity matrix
6 dimensions
Stress = 0.195

International horticultural usage

At least **37.0%** of GloNAF angiosperm taxa (96.8% of all GloNAF taxa) are used in international horticulture.

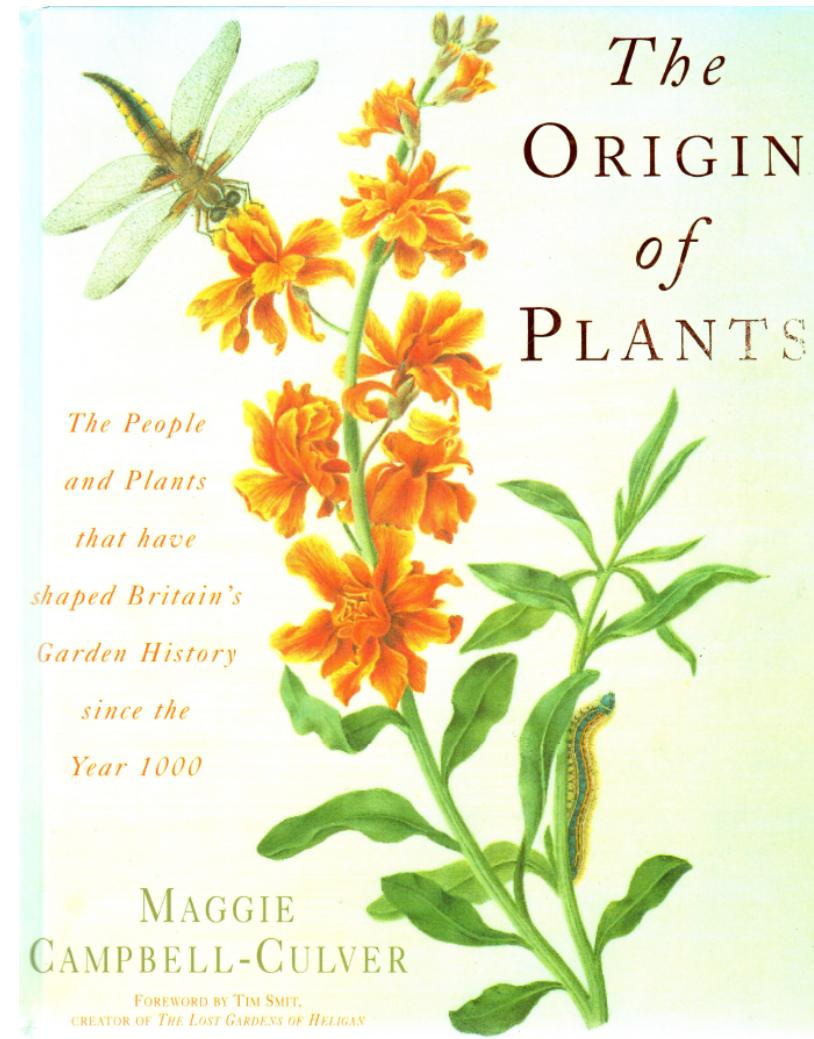


Conclusions

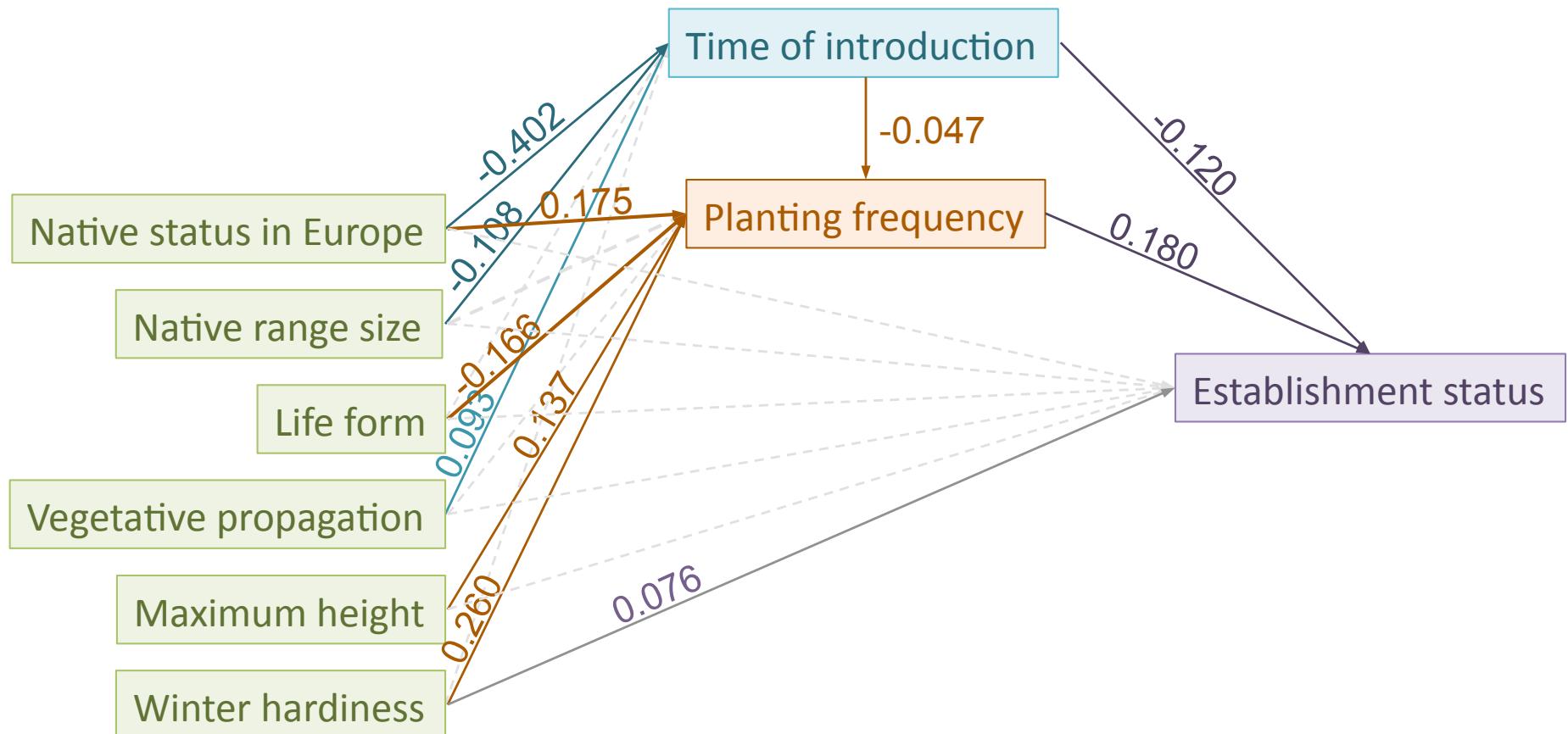
GloNAF revealed

- The top10 naturalized species is led by *Sonchus oleraceus*.
- Overrepresented families are found spread across the whole vascular family tree, with a weak phylogenetic signal.
- Europe is the largest sink of naturalized taxa.
- Asia-temperate is the major source of naturalized taxa.
- There are significant differences among continents in the composition of their naturalized floras.
- Angiosperm species used in horticulture are more widely naturalized.

Compilations of data on historical plant introductions



Data on introduction of 469 ornamental species in Central Europe

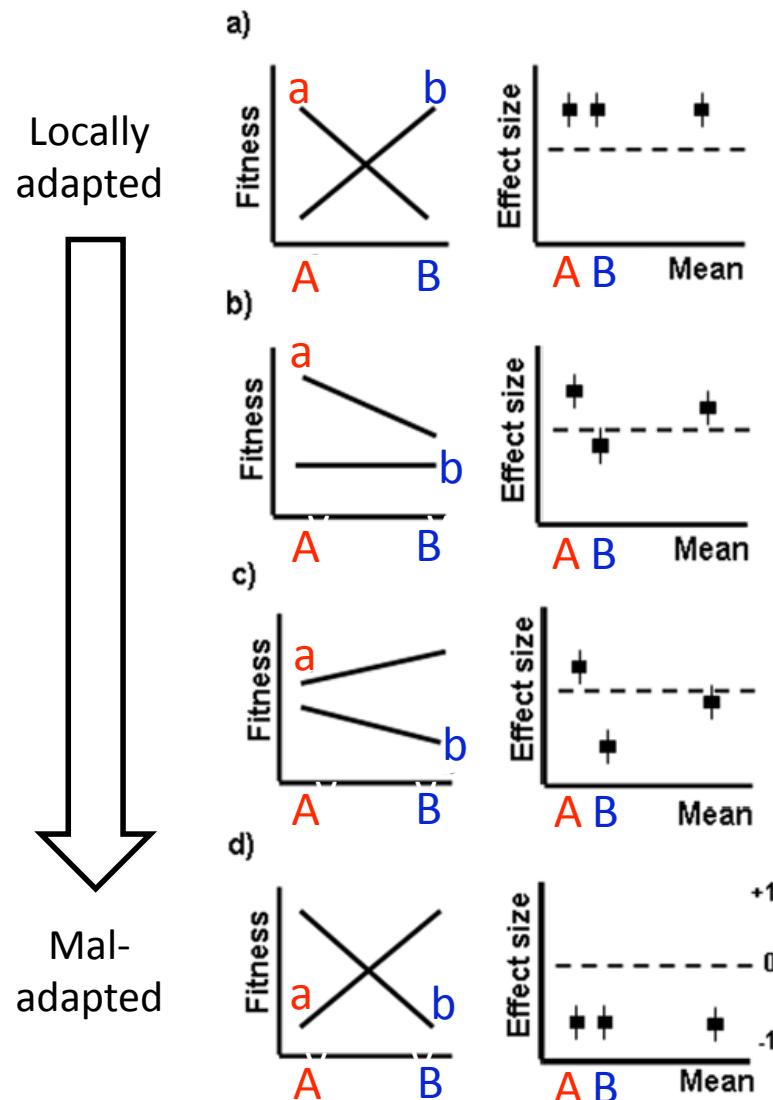


There is an introduction bias.

- Many species characteristics are only indirectly related to establishment success.

Local adaptation of natives and invasives

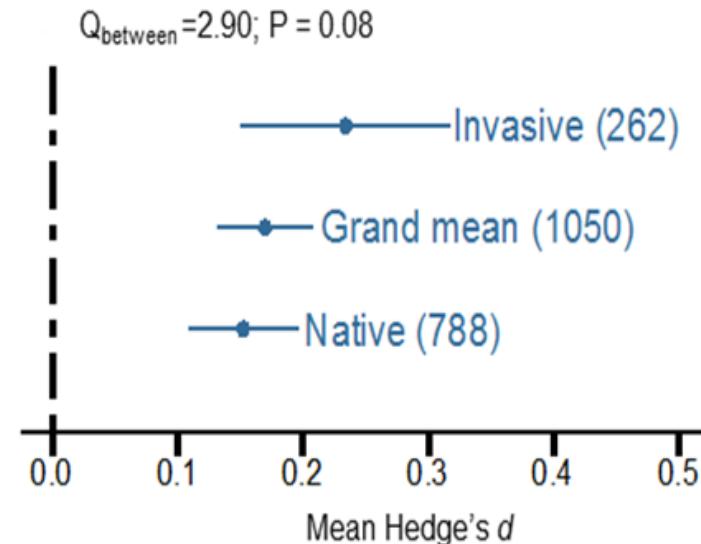
Meta-analysis of reciprocal transplants



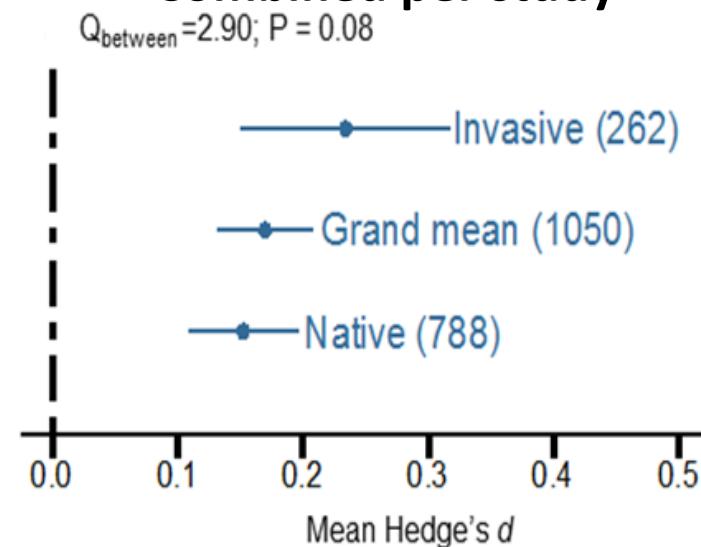
Locally adapted

Mal-adapted

Across all population pairs

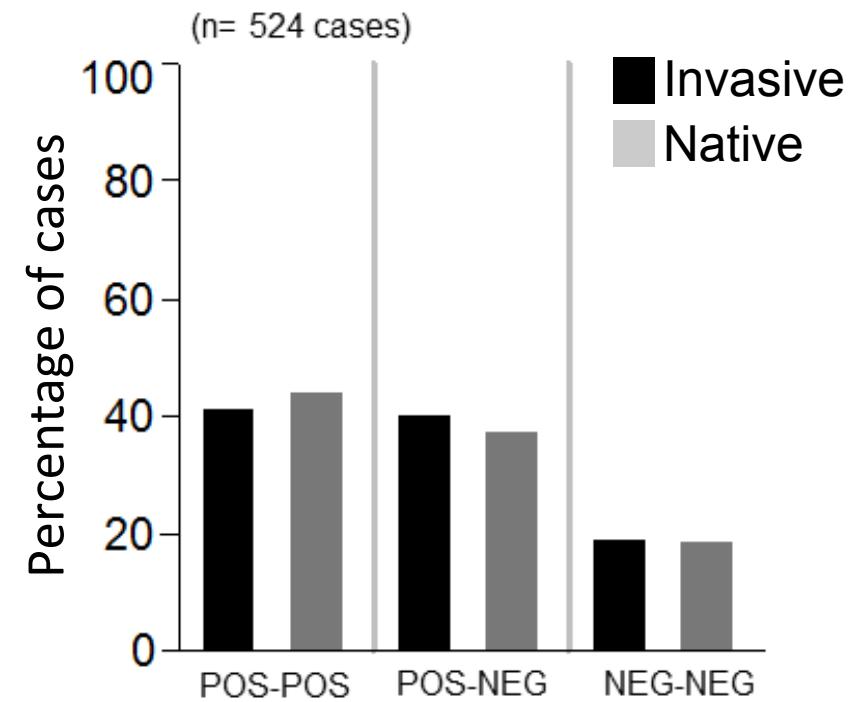
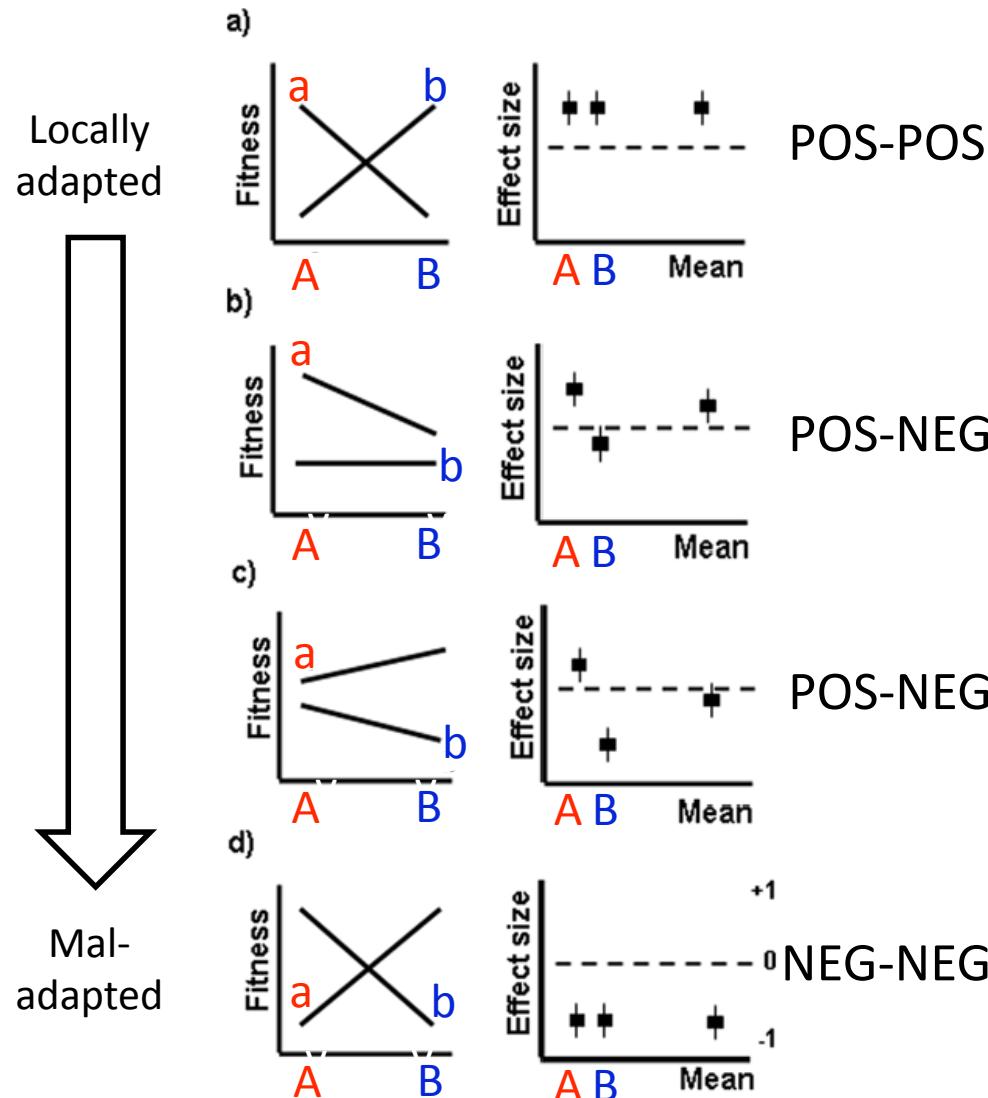


Combined per study



Local adaptation of natives and invasives

Meta-analysis of reciprocal transplants



Invasive species show similar degrees of local adaptation as native species do.

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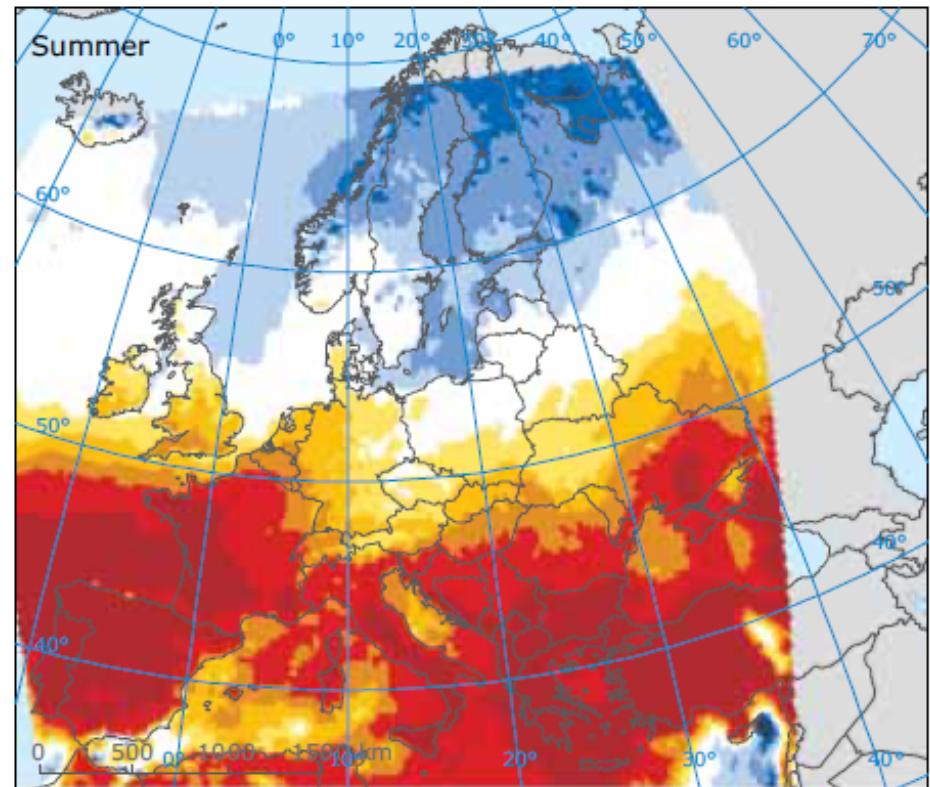
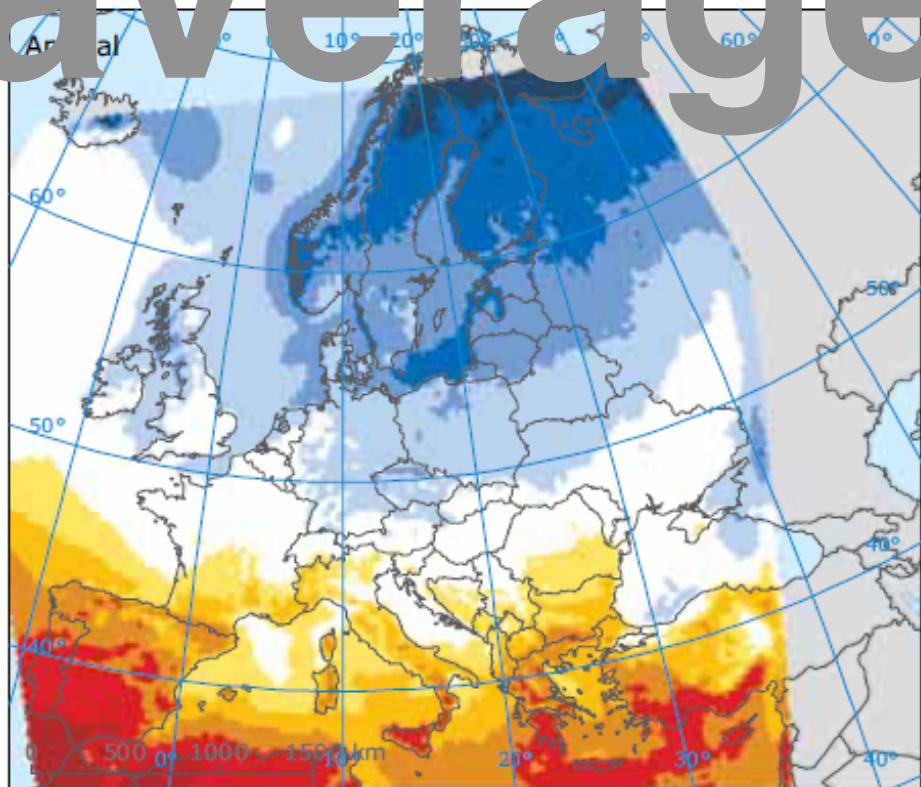




Change in precipitation

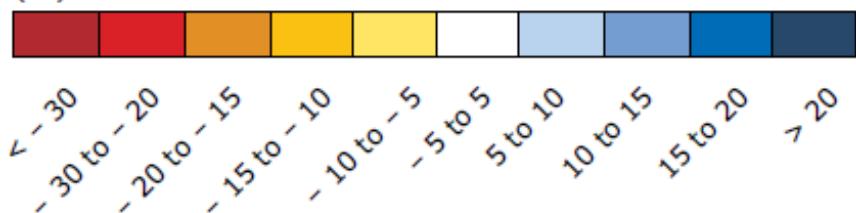


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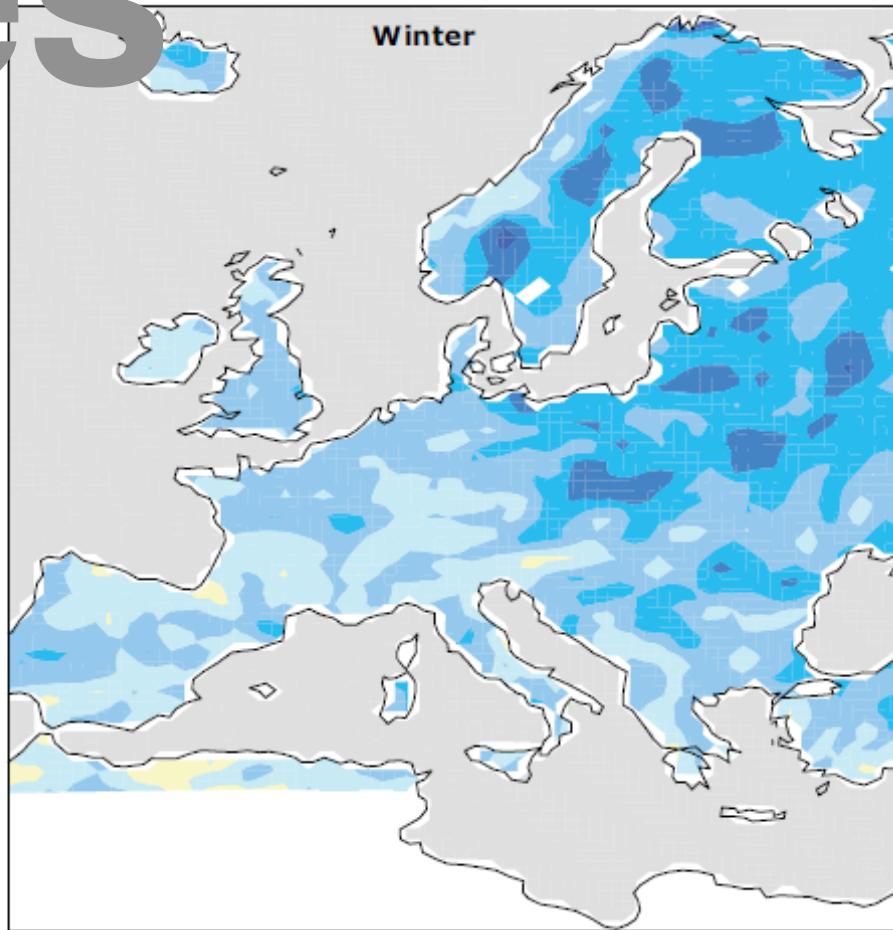
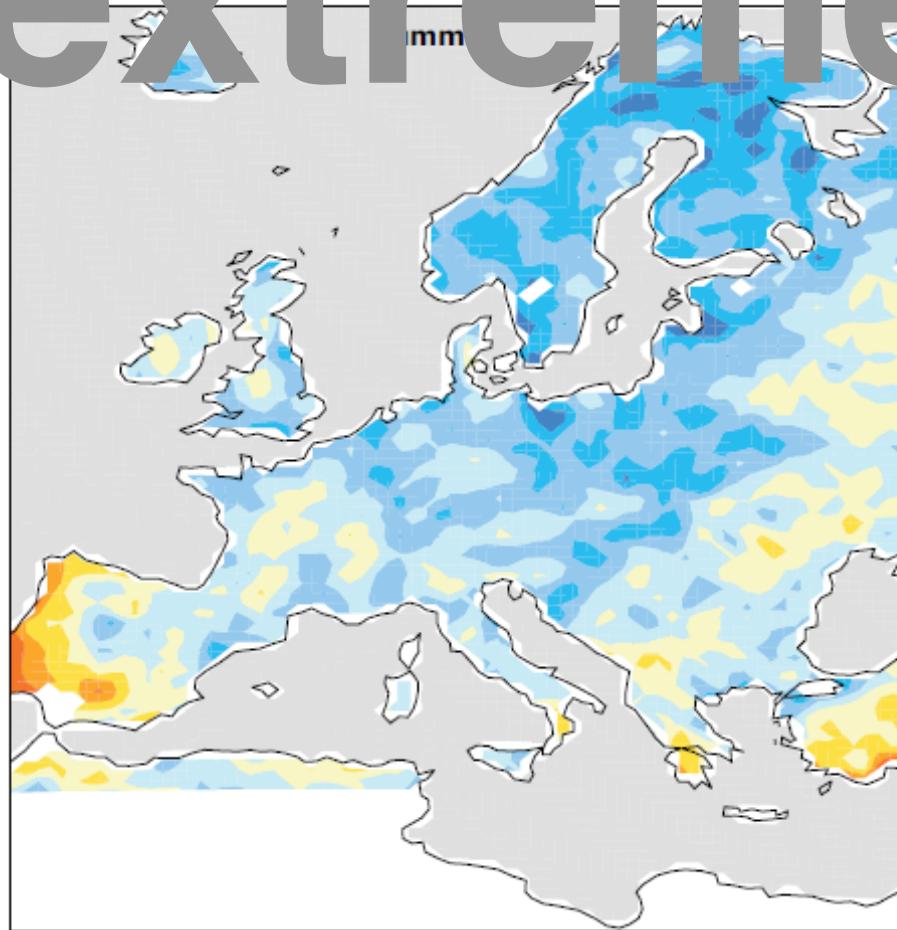
Projected changes in precipitation

(%)



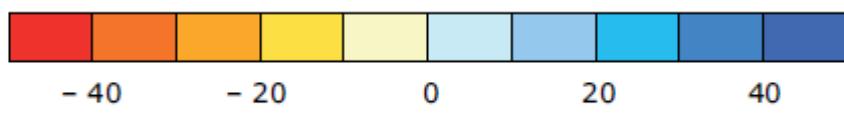
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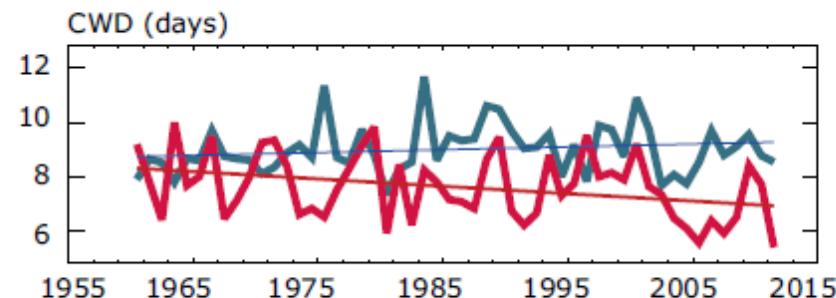
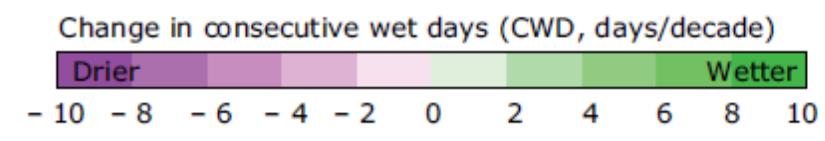
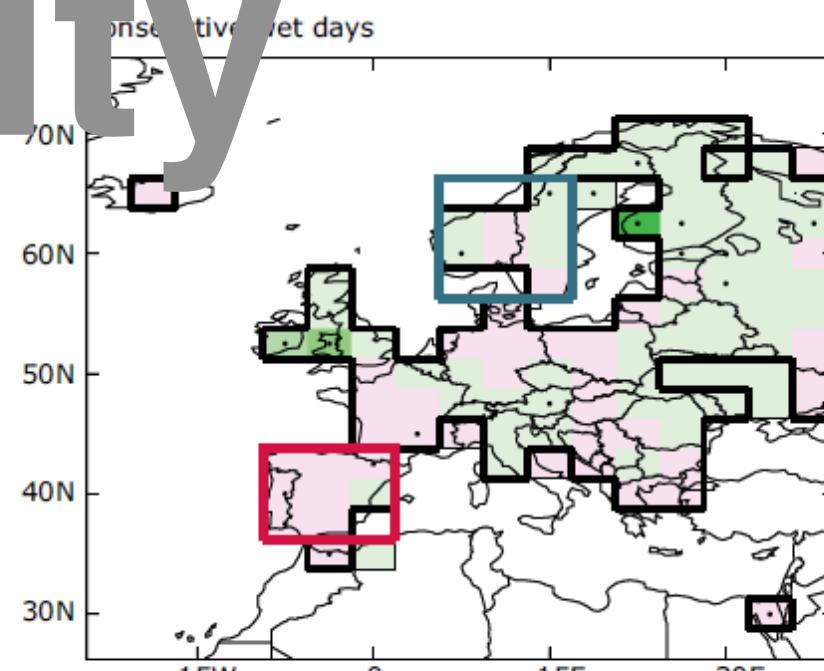
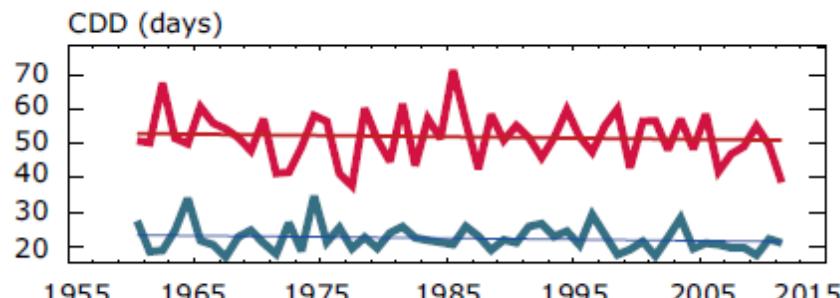
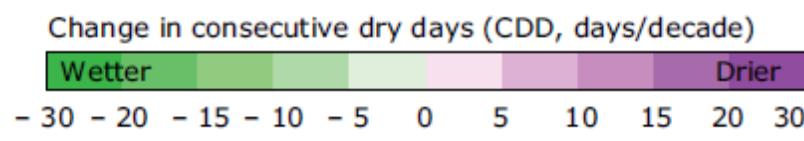
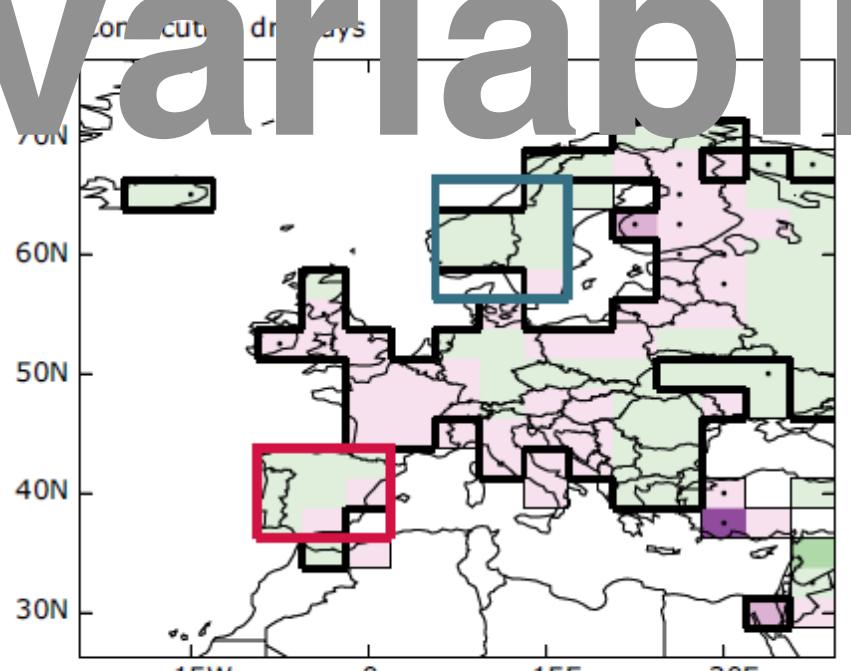


Projected changes in 20-year maximum precipitation in summer and winter

(%)

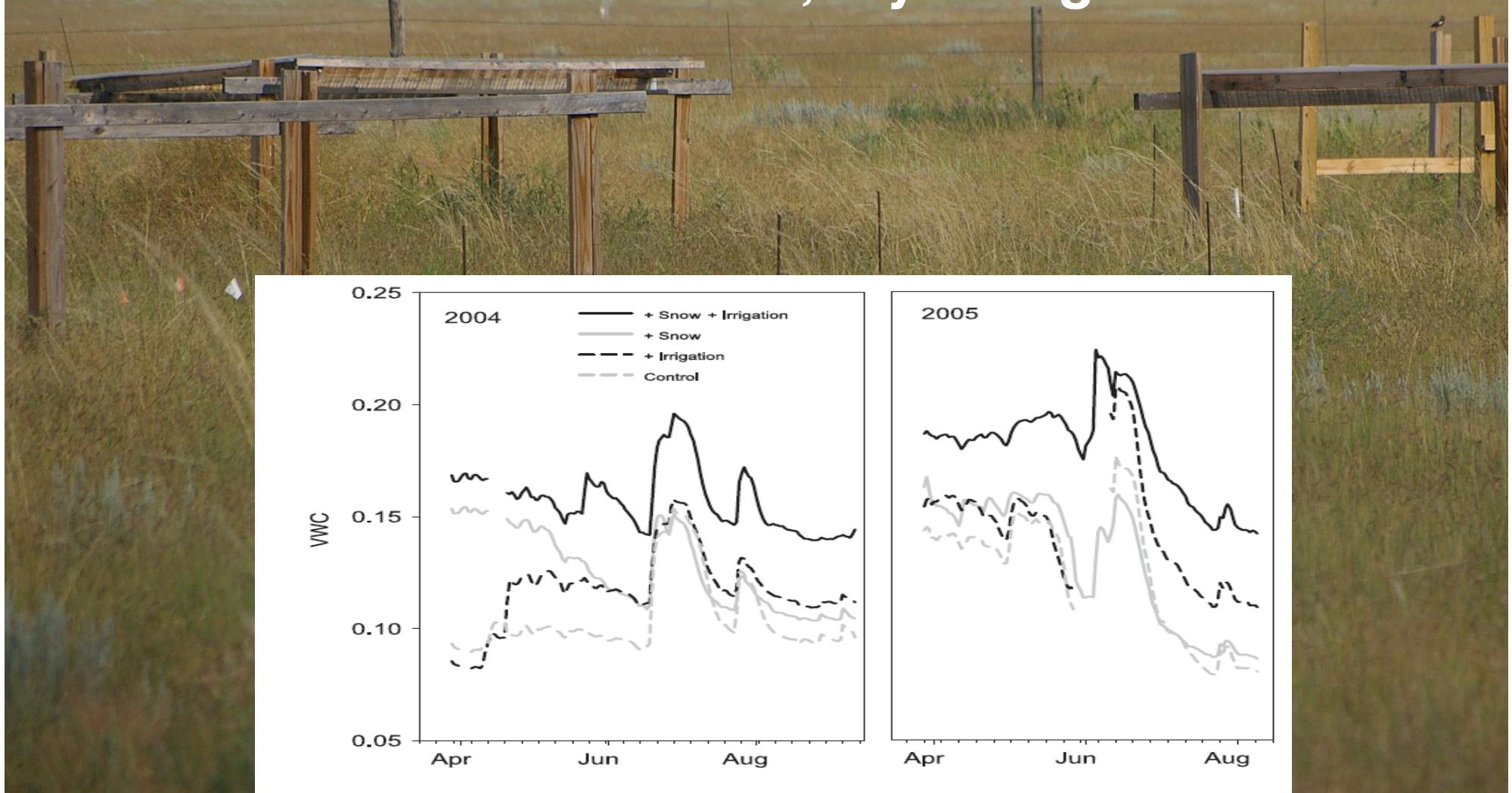


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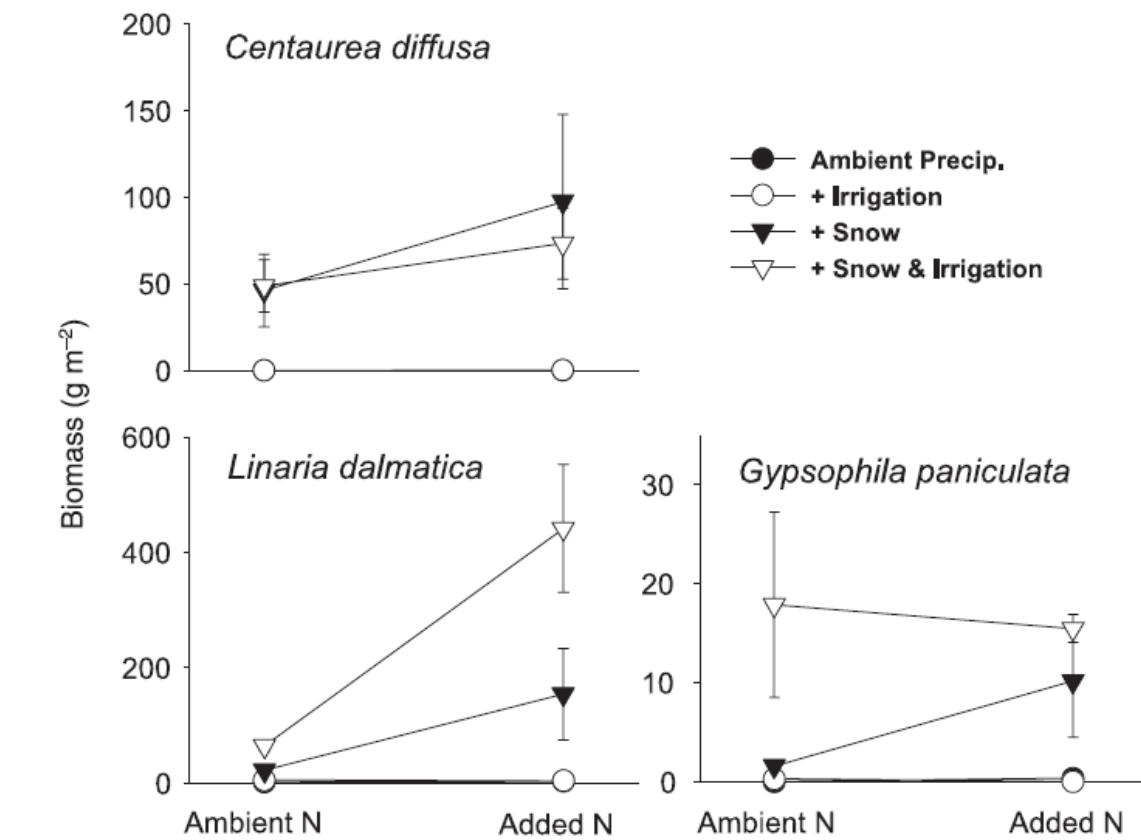
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High Plains Grassland Research Station, Wyoming



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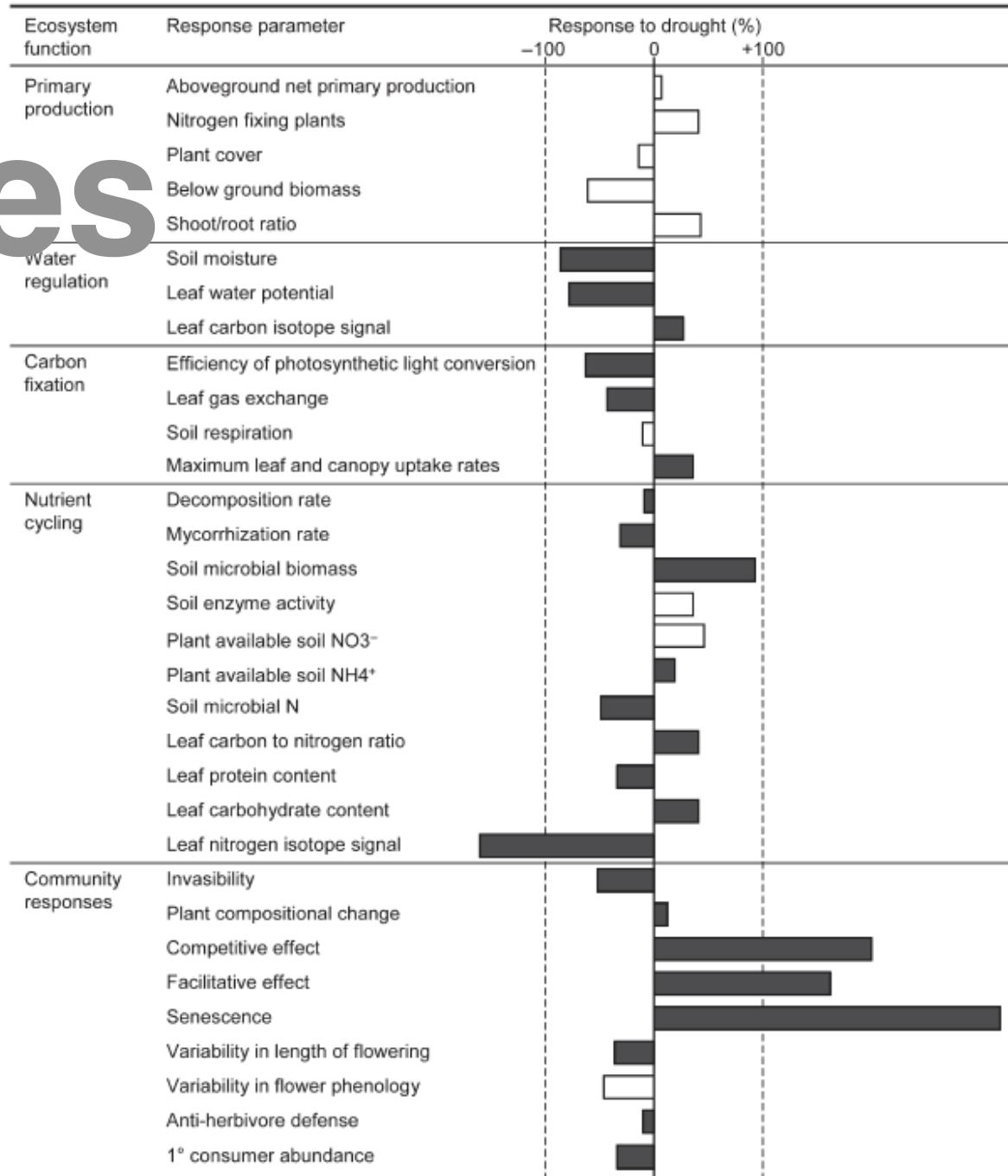
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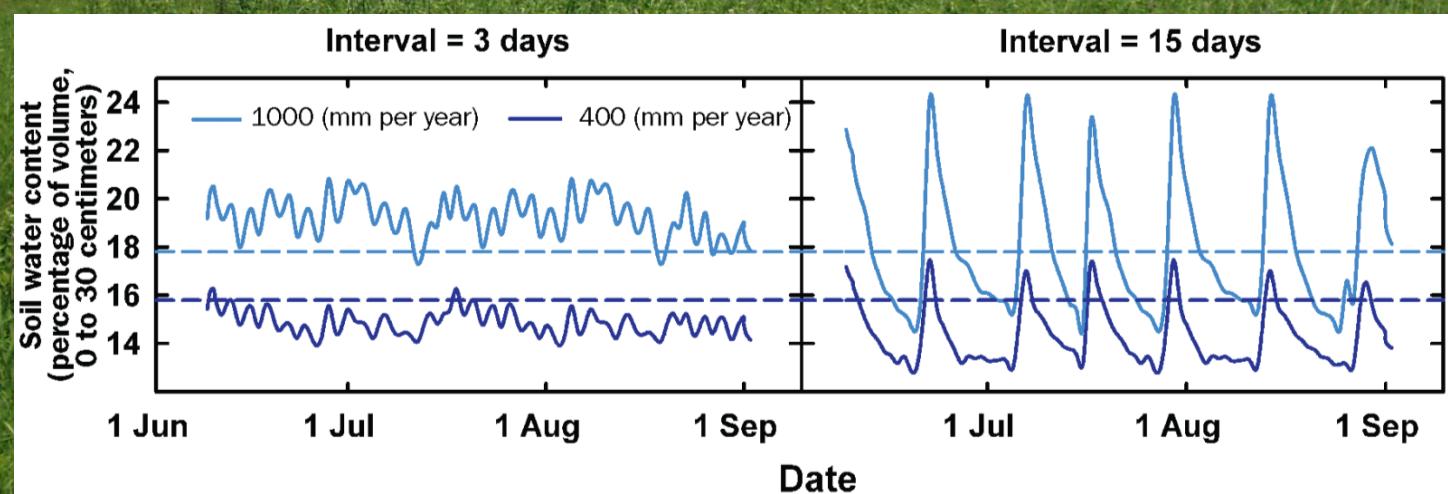
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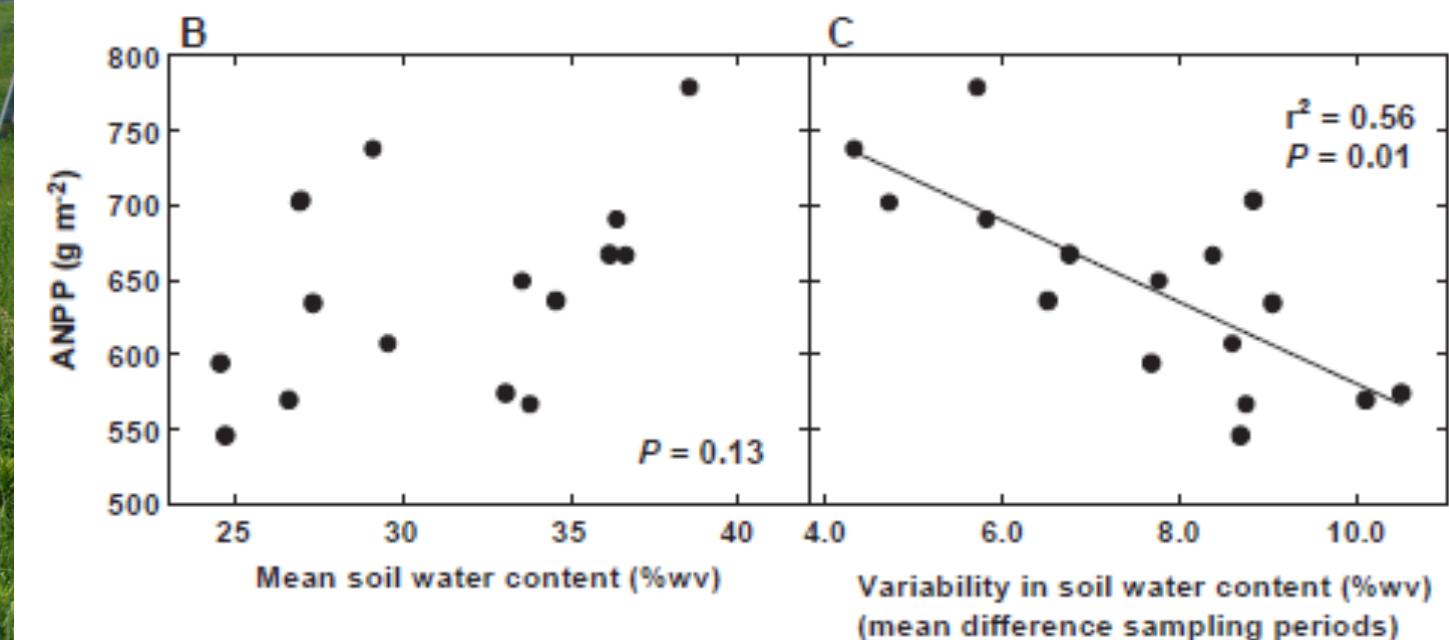
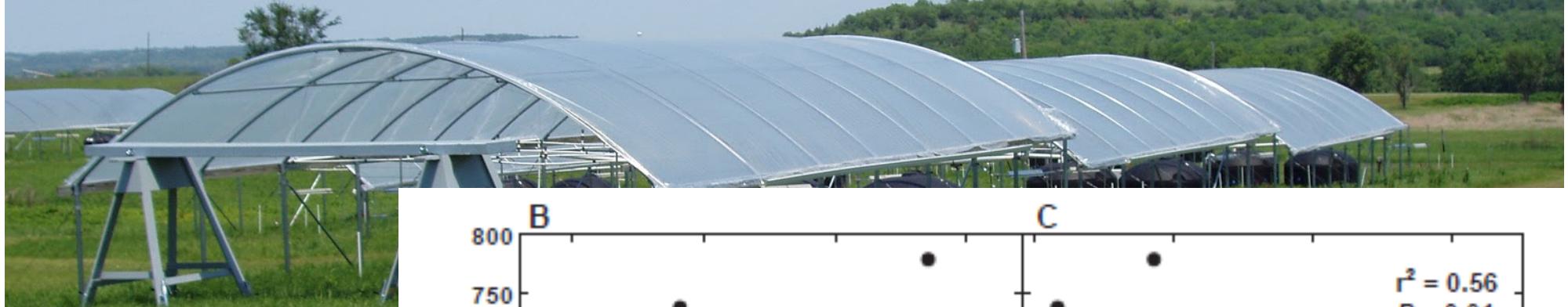
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Konza prairie, Kansas



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Variability



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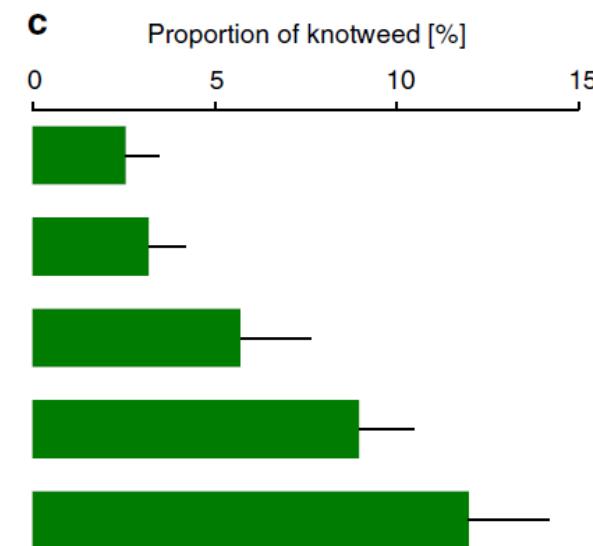
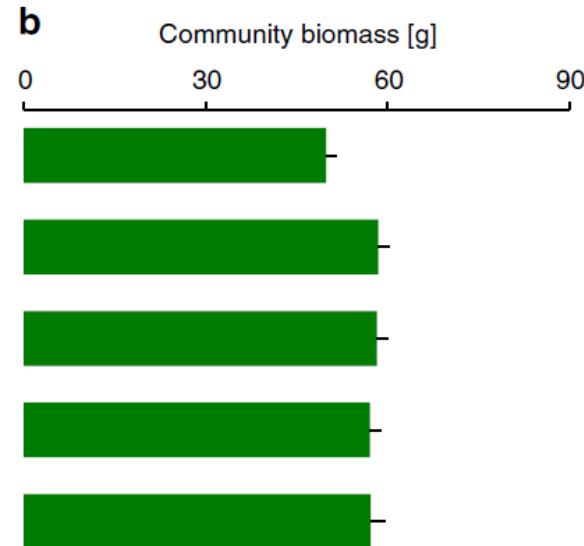
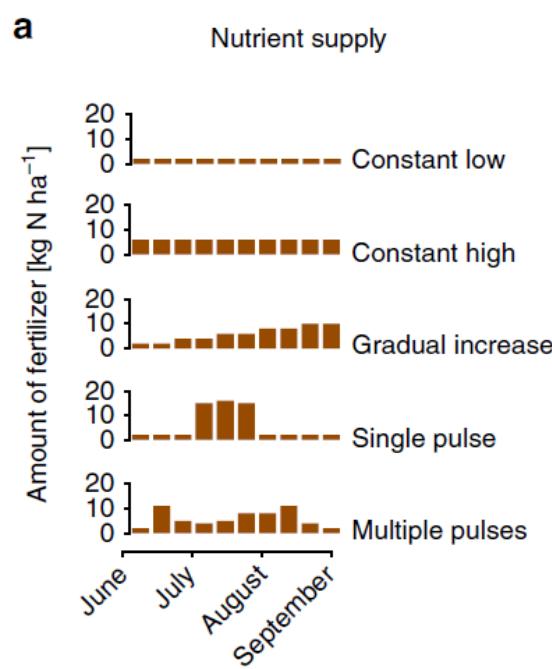


20 Kg N/ha

60 Kg N/ha



Variability



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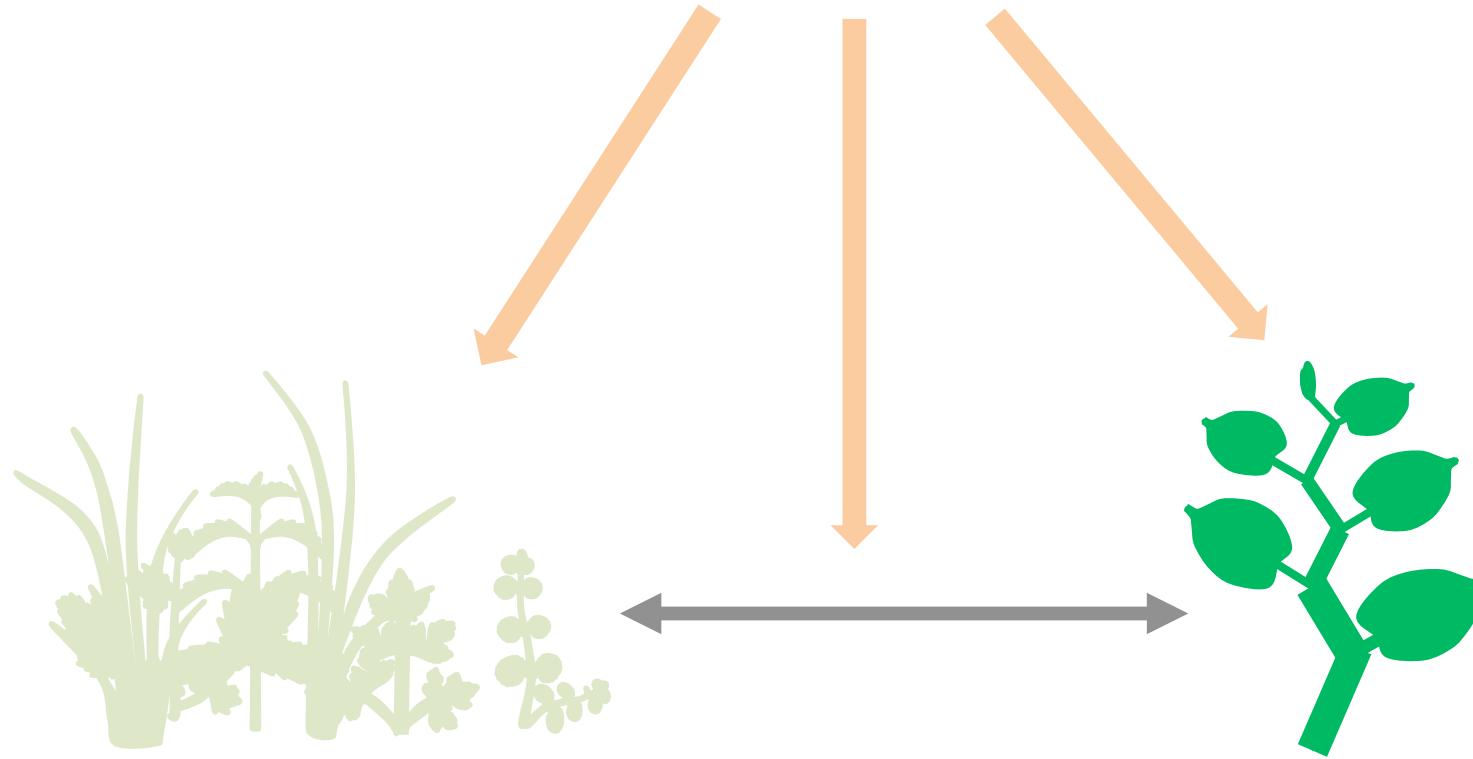


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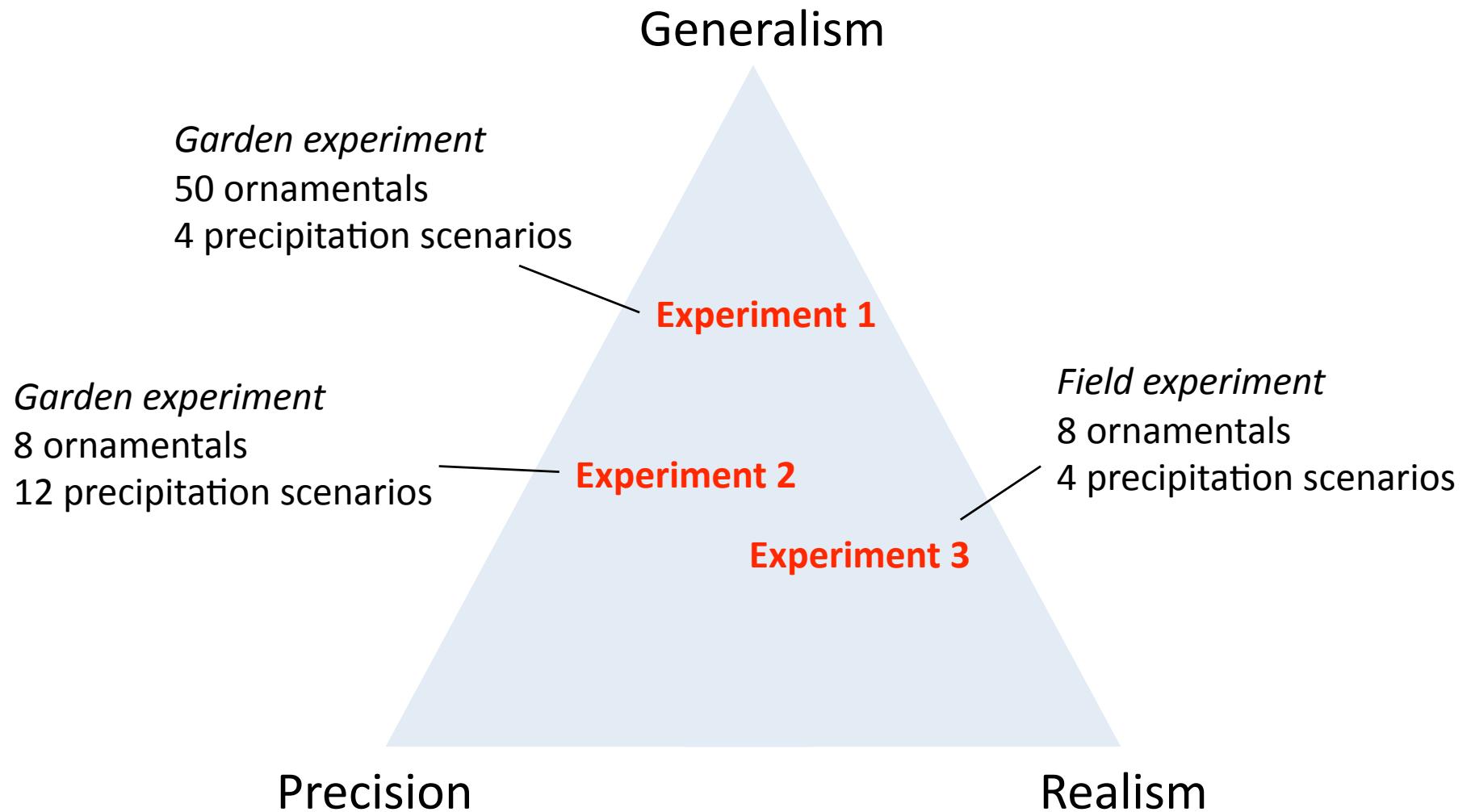
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Generalism-Precision-Realism Trade-off



Experiment 1

Precipitation change experiment
with the whole set of ornamental
species

50 species

selection

8 species

Experiment 2

Detailed precipitation change
experiment with a selection of
ornamental species

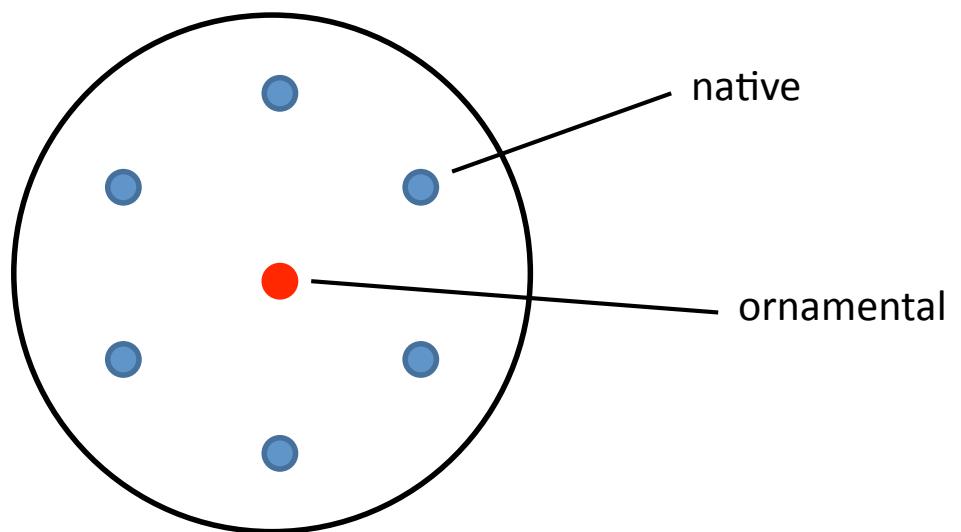
Experiment 3

Field experiment with a selection
of ornamental species

Experiment 1

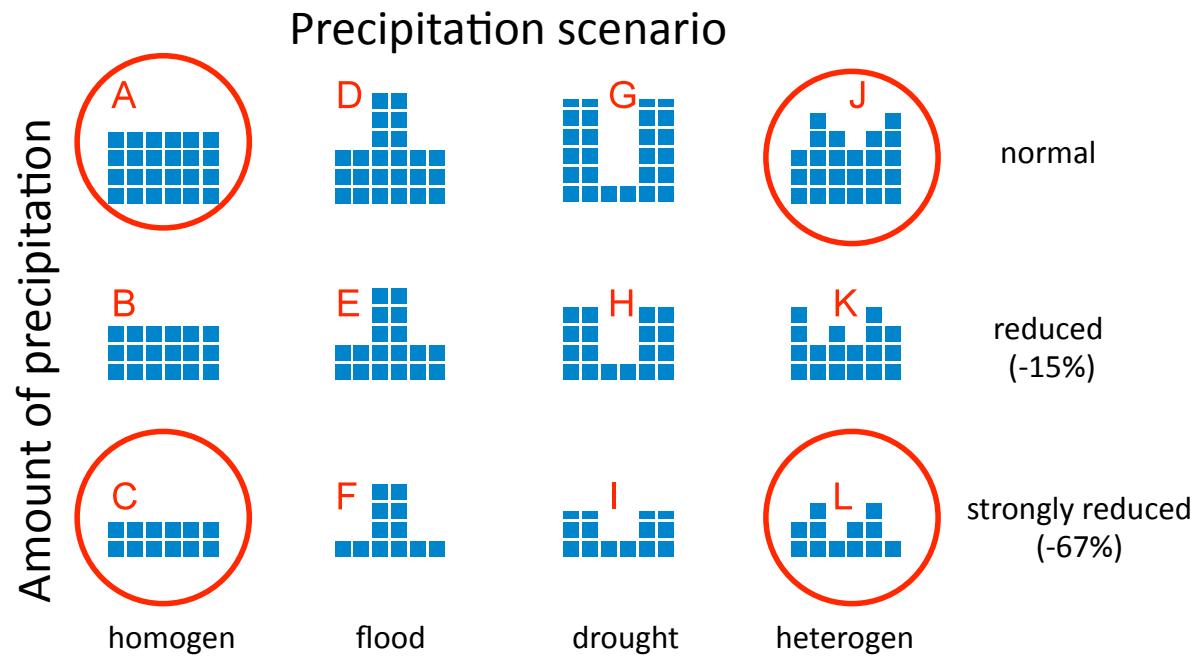
garden experiment, 50amentals, 4 , precipitation scenarios

- Whole set of ornamental species
- Experimental unit: Arrangement of one ornamental plant and six native plants of six different species (=native community) in pots. Size?



Experiment 1

garden experiment, 50 ornamentals, 4 precipitation scenarios



50 ornamentals x 4 precipitation scenarios x 3 replicates = 600 pots
+ controls: 4 precipitation scenarios x 10 replicates = 40 pots
= 640 pots in total

Experiment 1

garden experiment, 50 species, 4 precipitation scenarios

Measurements

- Biomass, development of flowers and seeds, traits associated with drought

Analysis

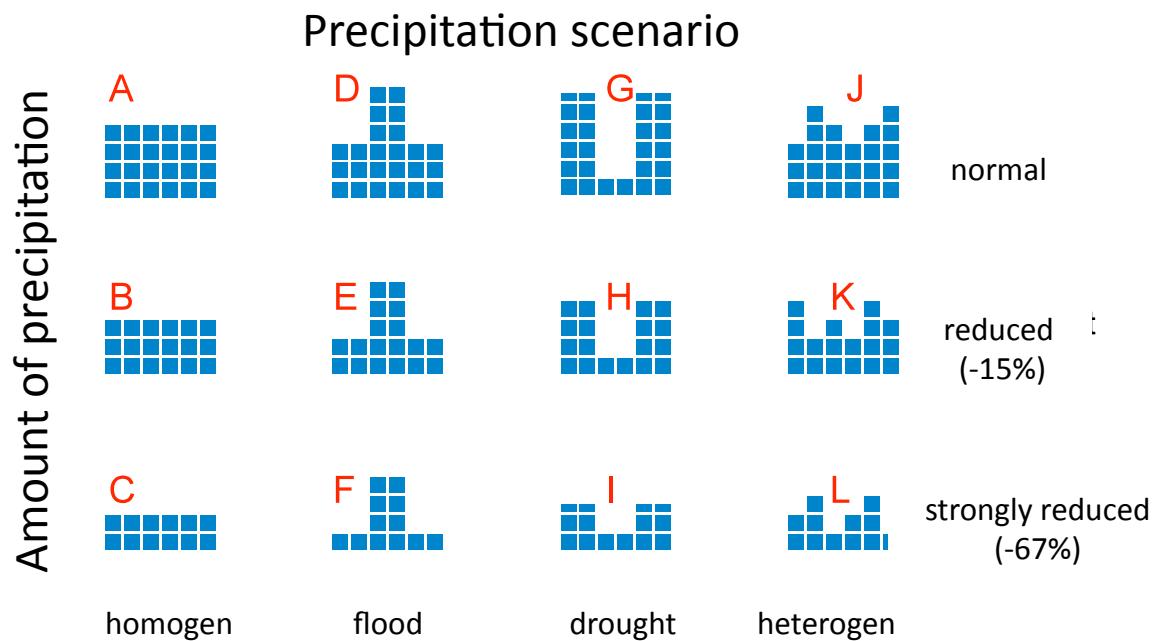
- Effect of reduced precipitation and increased precipitation variability on the ornamental's performance (general and on the individual level)
- Impact of ornamental species and precipitation change on the performance of the native species

→ Selection of ornamental species for Experiment 2 and Experiment 3

Experiment 2

garden experiment, 8 ornamentals, 12 precipitation scenarios

- Experimental set-up similar to Experiment 1
- Detailed precipitation scenarios including extreme events (flood, drought)



Experiment 2

garden experiment, 8 ornamentals, 12 precipitation scenarios

8 ornamentals x 12 precipitation scenarios x 3 replicates = 288 pots

+ controls: 12 precipitation scenarios x 10 replicates = 120 pots

= 408 pots in total

Measurements

- Biomass, development of flowers and seeds, traits associated with drought

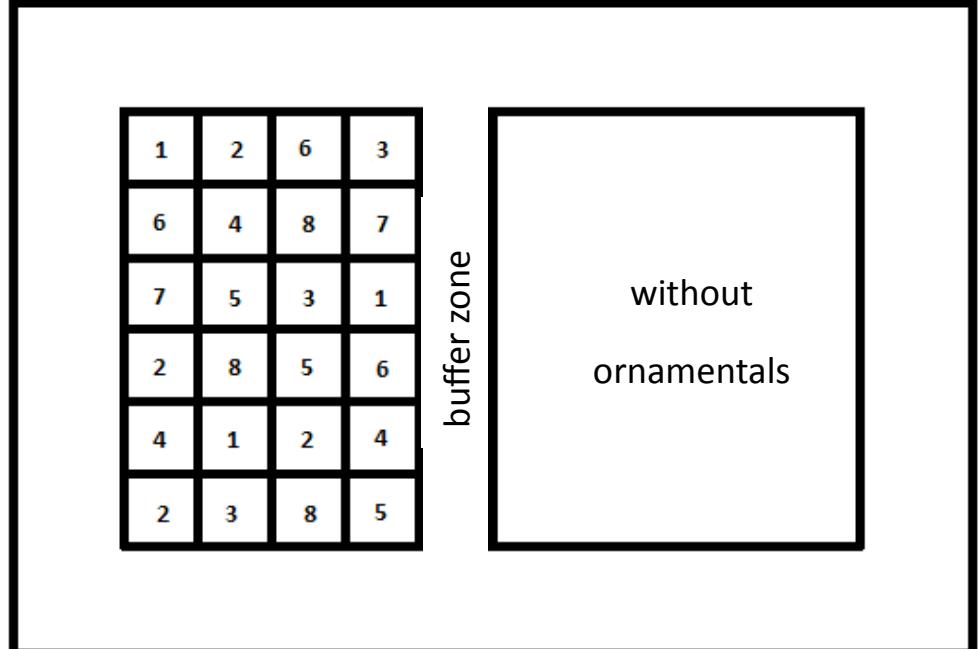
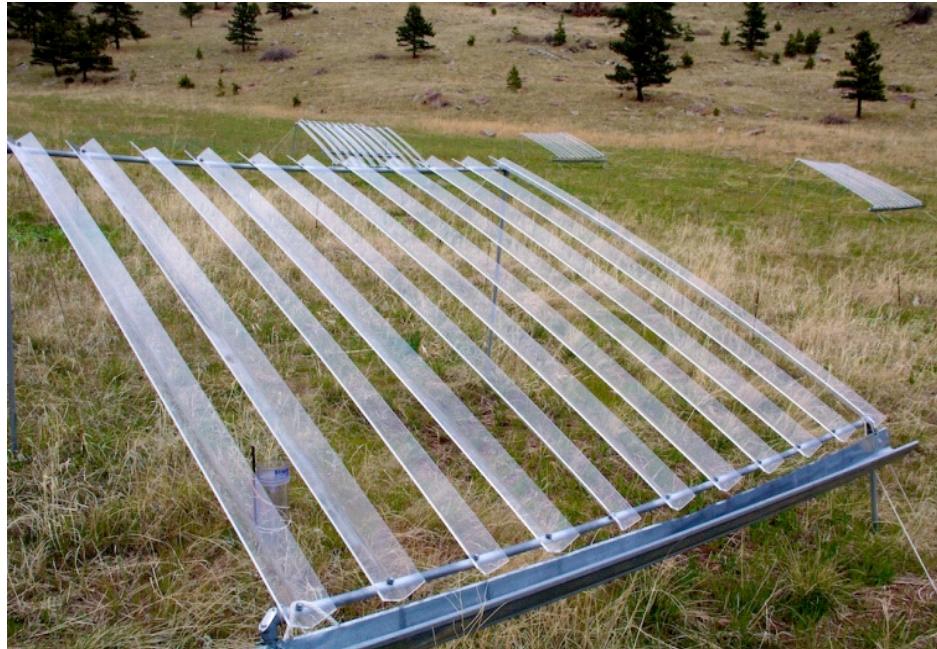
Analysis

- Effect of precipitation amount (3 levels) and the type of variability (4 types) on the ornamental's performance
- Impact of ornamental species and precipitation change on the performance of the native species

Experiment 3

field experiment, 8 ornamentals, 4 precipitation scenarios

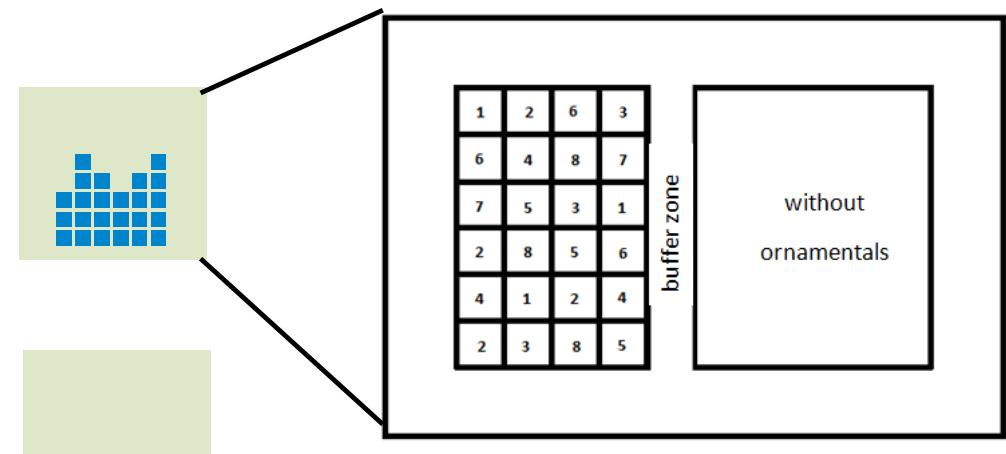
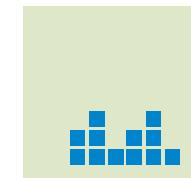
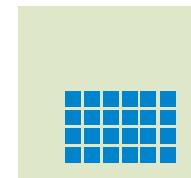
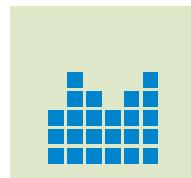
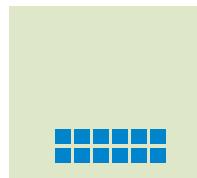
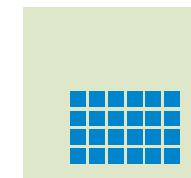
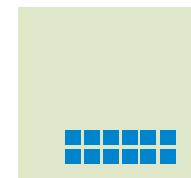
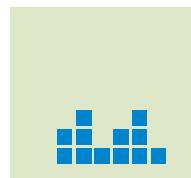
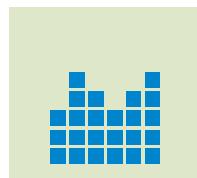
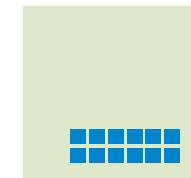
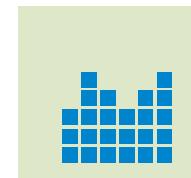
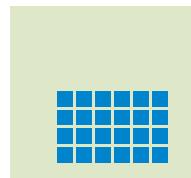
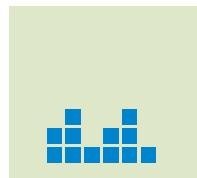
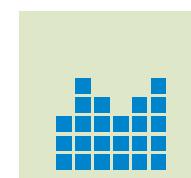
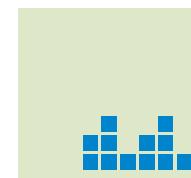
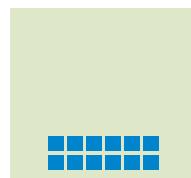
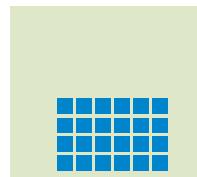
- Rainout shelters designed after standards of the International Drought Experiment (DroughtNet; coordinated by Colorado State University)



- Different habitat types (low and high fertility meadows, ruderal sites?)

Experiment 3

field experiment, 8 ornamentals, 4 precipitation scenarios



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field experiment, 8 ornamentals, 4 precipitation scenarios

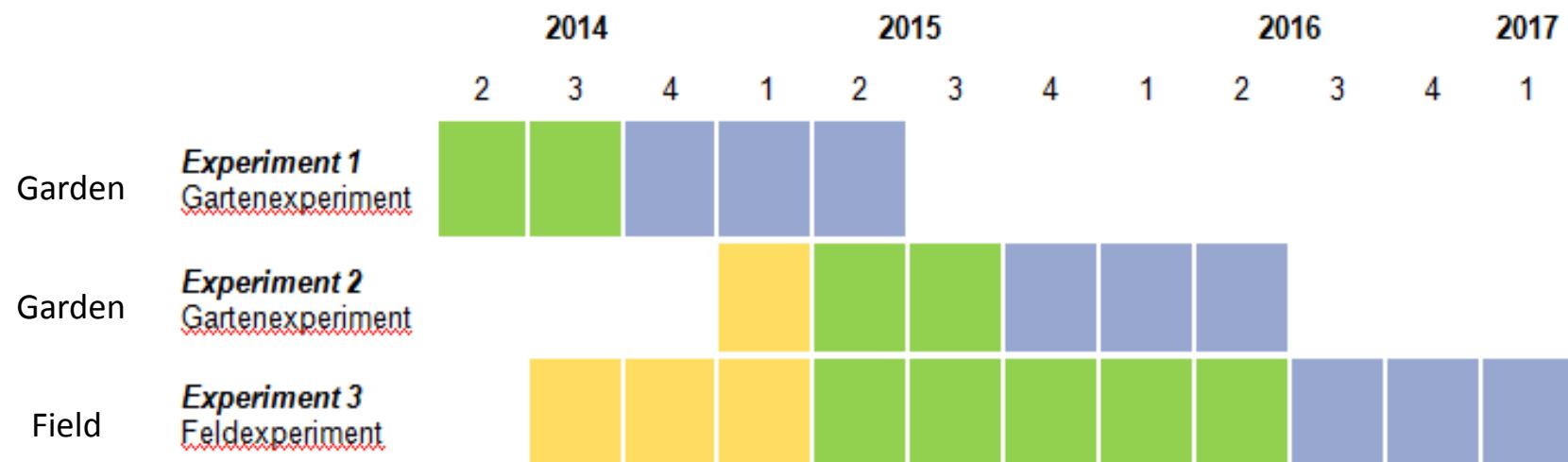
Measurements

- Biomass, development of flowers and seeds, traits associated with drought
- Species composition, dominance hierachies

Analysis

- Performance of ornamentals in different habitat types (and impact on the community)
- Change in biomass/species composition/dominance hierachies of natives under different precipitation scenarios

Time schedule



Problems/open questions

**Germination duration →
unequal size of seedlings
at the start of the
experiment**

**Selection of
natives**



**How much do I need to
water the plants for
creating appropriate
precipitation scenarios???**
Influencing factors:
Temperature, plant size...

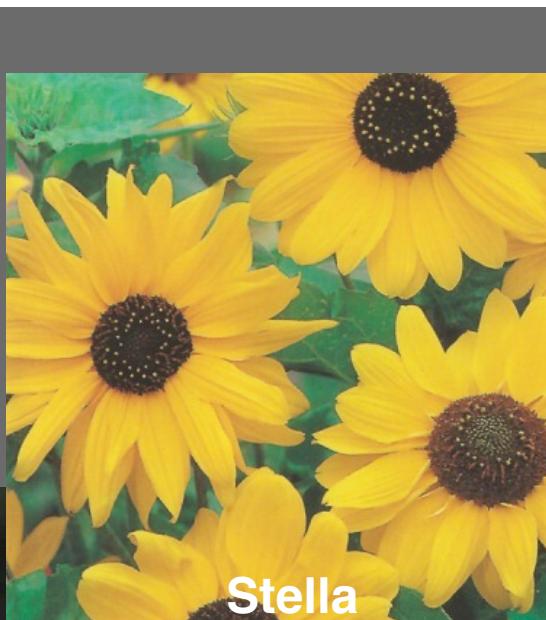
4. Evolutionary potential of ornaments in response to precipitation change

Cultivars

- 3 x *Abelmoschus esculentus* H5
- 3 x *Abelmoschus moschatus* H5
- 3 x *Alternanthera ficoidea* H5
- 3 x *Anoda cristata* H5
- 3 x *Iresine herbstii* H5
- 3 x *Lobelia cardinalis* H1
- 3 x *Potentilla argyrophylla atrosanguinea* H1
- 3 x *Salpiglossis sinuata* H5
- 5 x *Cleome houtteana* H5
- 6 x *Datura metel* H5
- 4 x *Helianthus debilis* H3
- 4 x *Hosta ventricosa* H2
- 13 x *Lobelia erinus* H3
- 10 x *Mimulus hybridus* H5 (HYBRID)
- 4 x *Solanum muricatum* H5 (HYBRID)



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Italian White



Stella



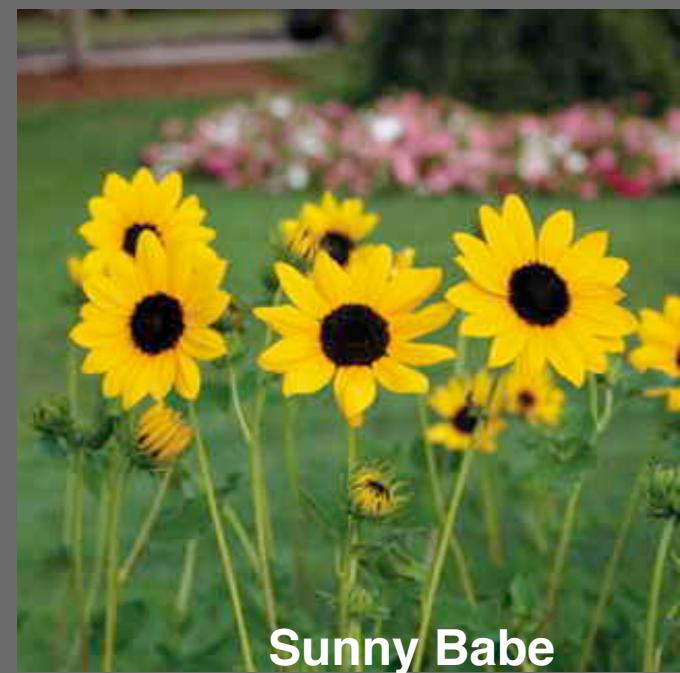
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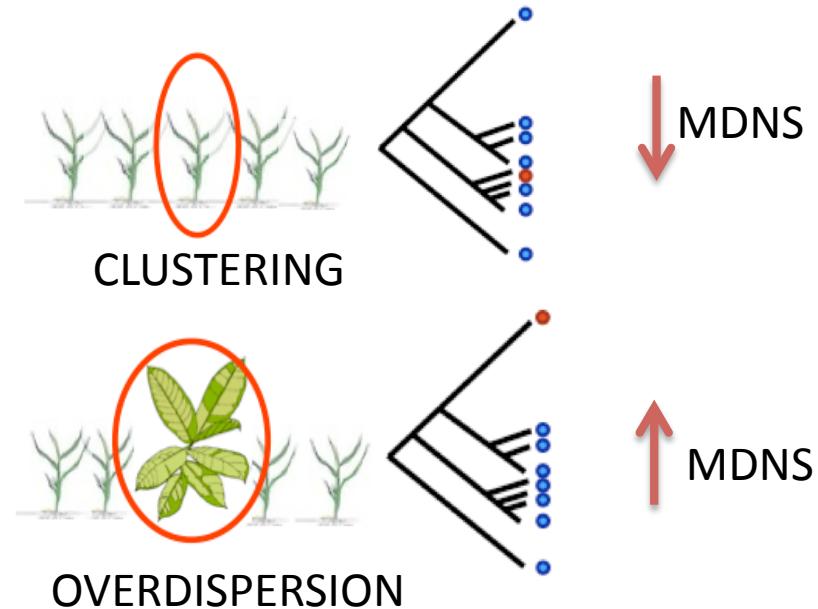
Sunny Babe

WP5 - Modelling I: Developing and validating a simulation model for ornamental plant invasions

FUNCTIONAL/PHYLOGENETIC PATTERNS

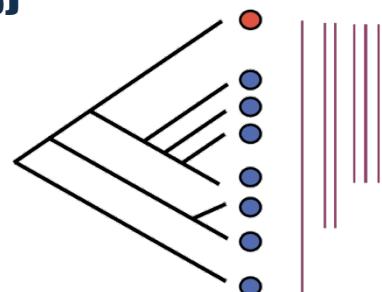
Processes and Expected Patterns

ENVIRONMENT

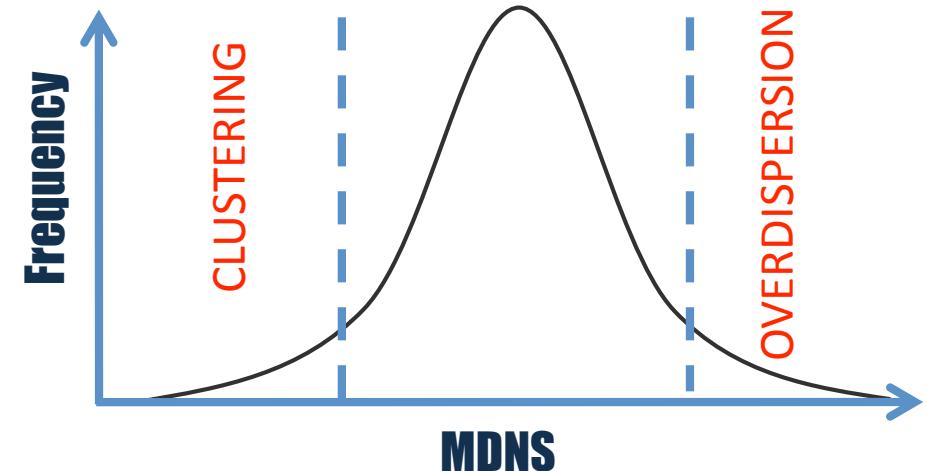


Distance metrics

Mean Distance to Native Species
(MDNS)

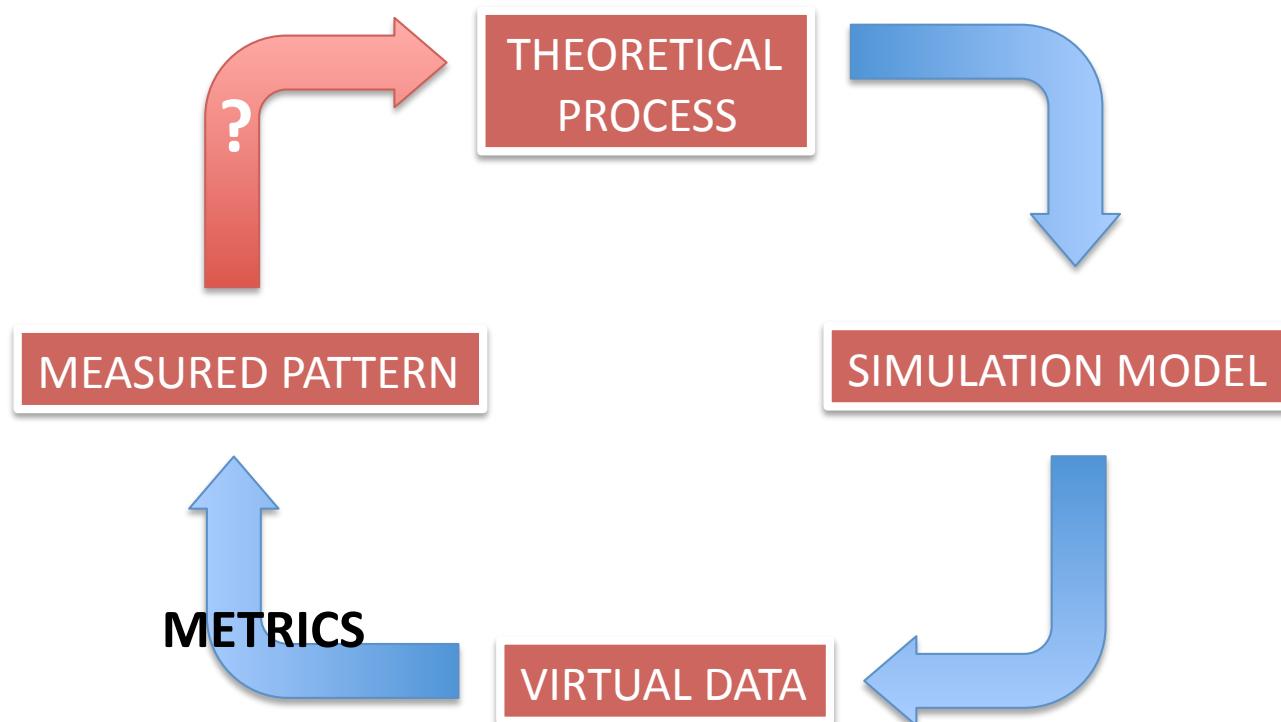


Null models



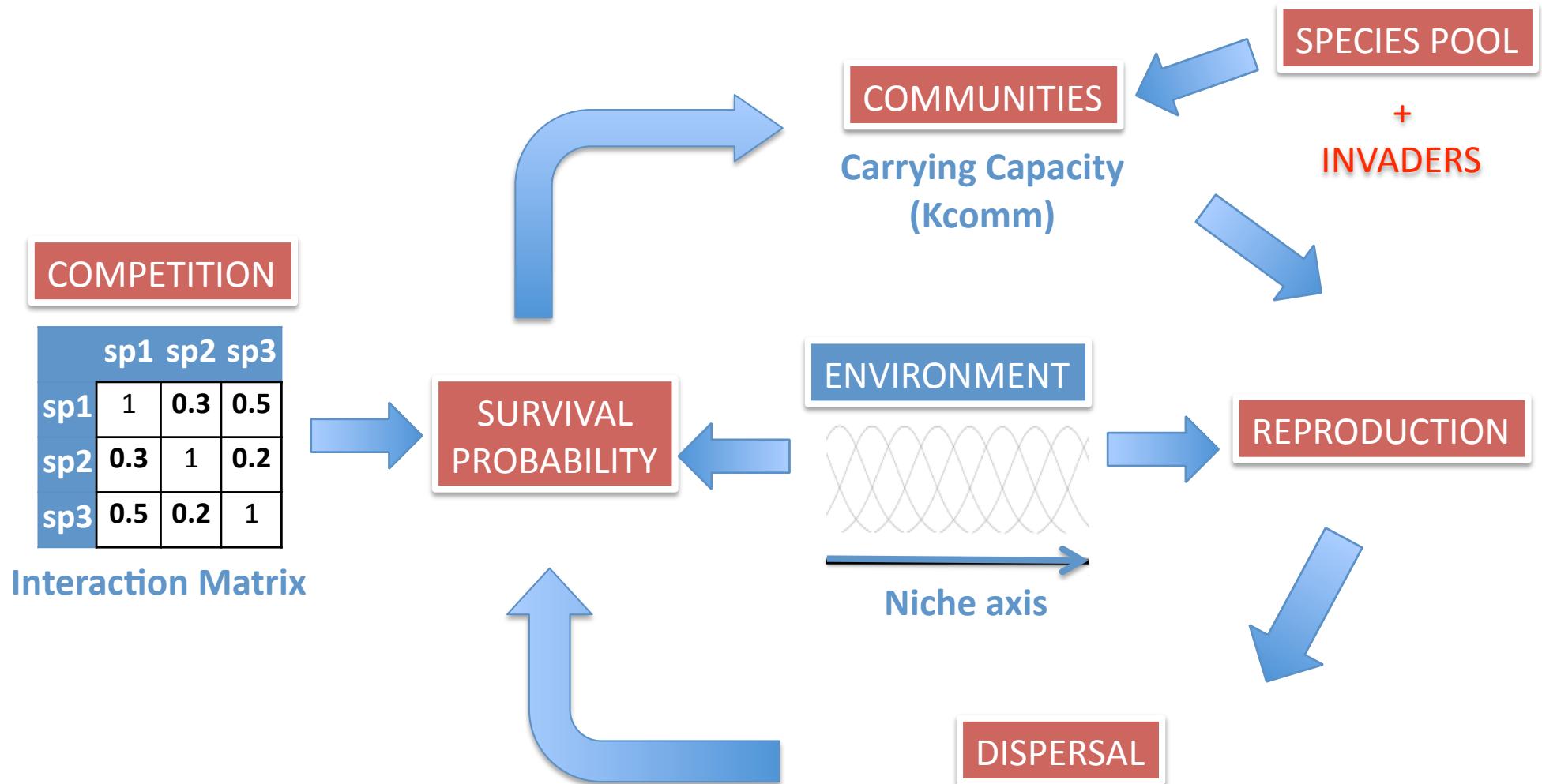
GENERAL METHOD

A **virtual-ecologist approach** (Zurell et al. 2010): a process-based model with specific rules and parameters is used to simulate virtual data, so that the performance of statistical methods to recover the processes can be tested against a known truth.



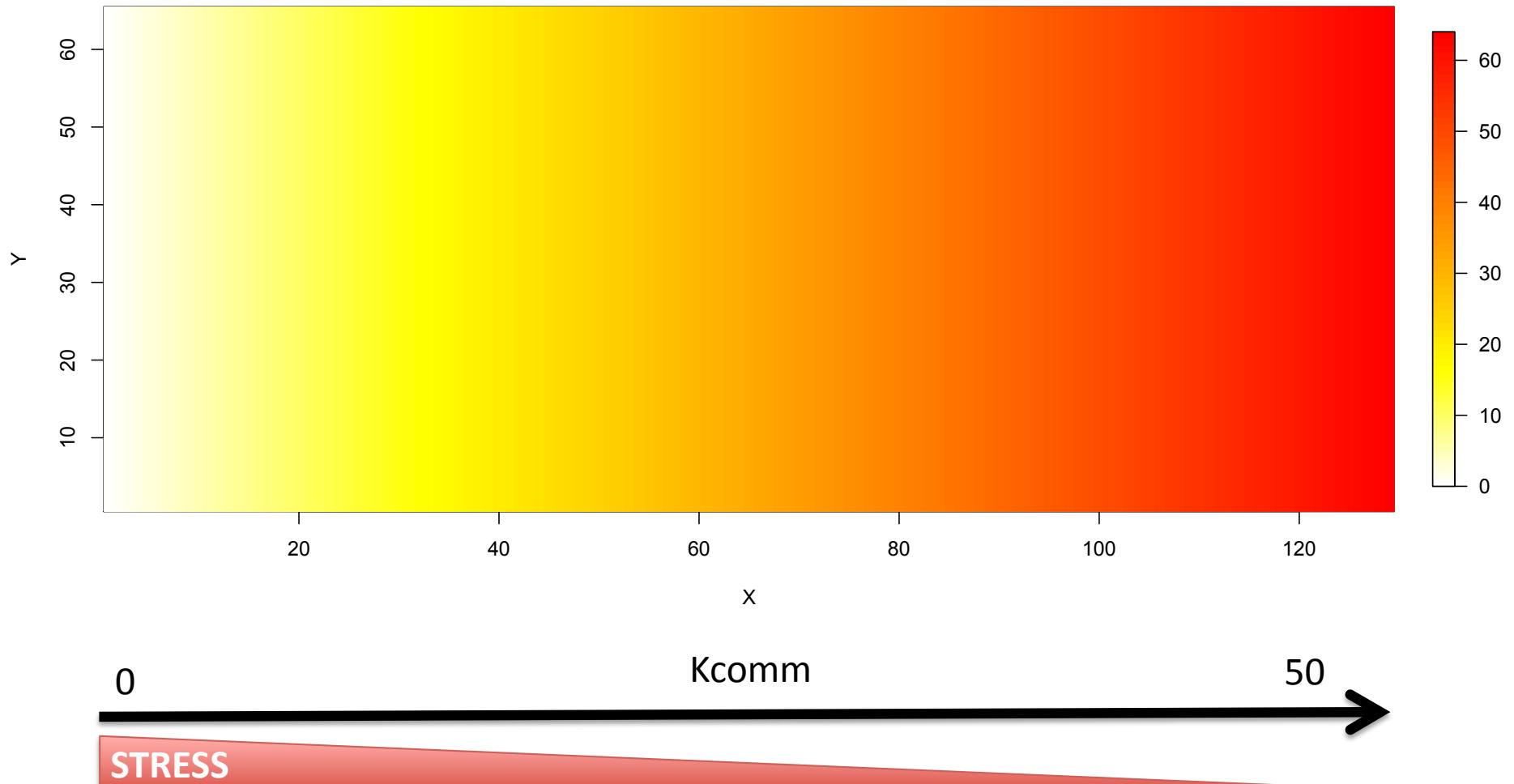
METACOMMUNITY SIMULATION MODEL

- Stochastic, spatially-explicit, individual based model to simulate the dynamics of metacommunities along gradients



Landscape

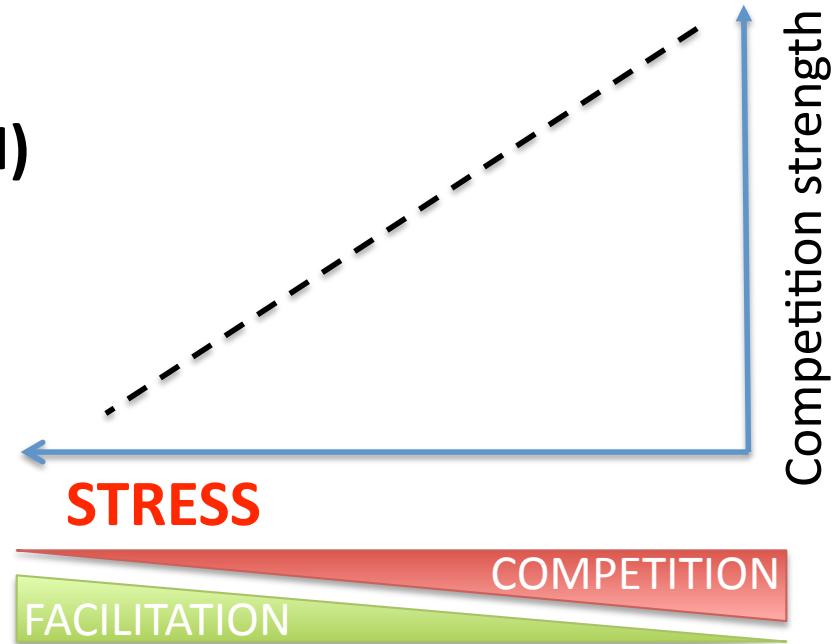
Environmental and stress gradient



APPLICATION EXAMPLE

STRESS GRADIENT HYPOTHESIS (SGH)

SGH predicts that the frequency and/or strength of competition declines and facilitation increases with increasing environmental stress (Bruno et al. 2003, Callaway 2007, Maestre et al. 2009)



Question:

How do community assembly processes and functional metrics respond to stress gradient?

COMMUNITY ASSEMBLY PATTERNS

Functional Diversity index:

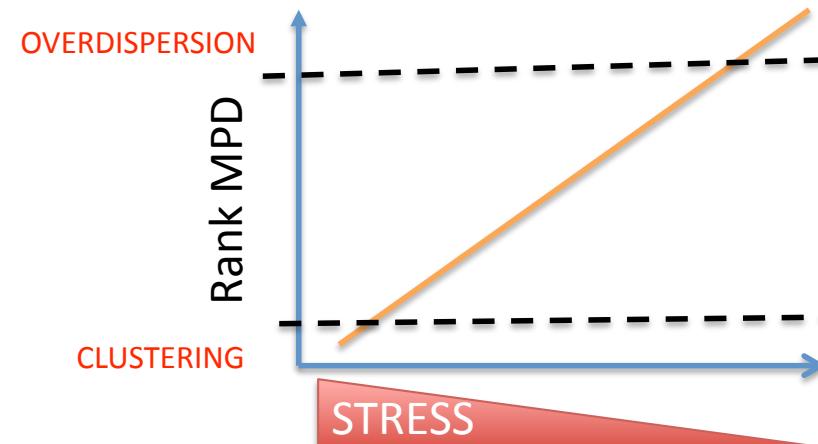
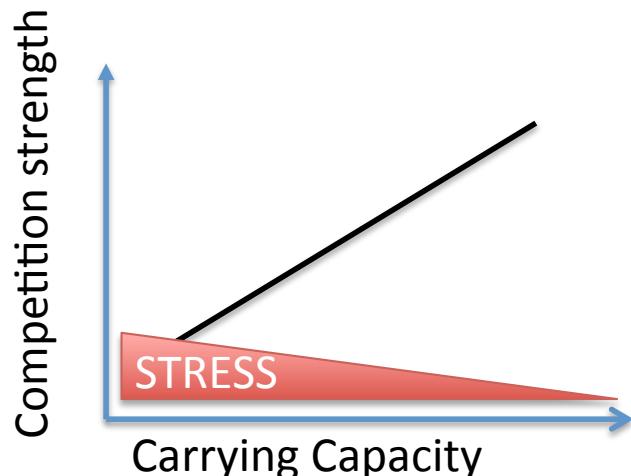
Mean Pairwise Distance among Species (MPD) based on Trait values

Standardization of index values with **Null-Model-expectations**:

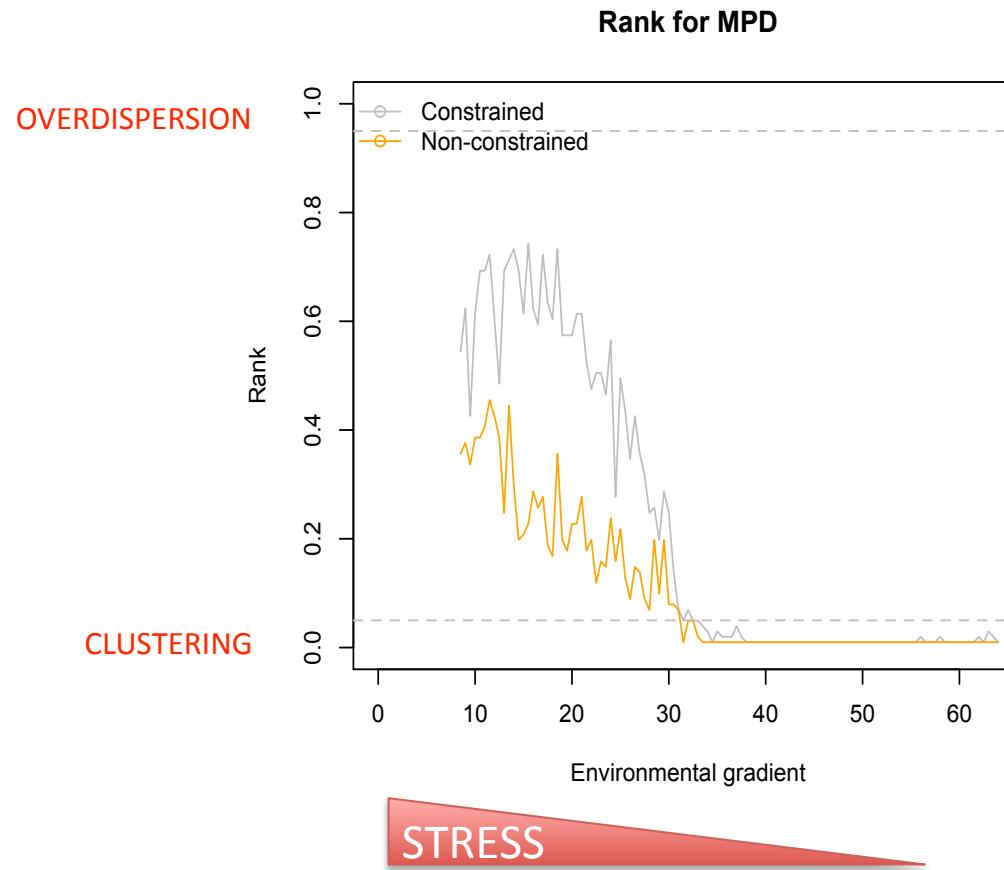
- 1 non-constrained randomization
- 1 randomization constrained by environmental suitability of species

→ Rank of observed MPD

Hypothesis for stress gradient:

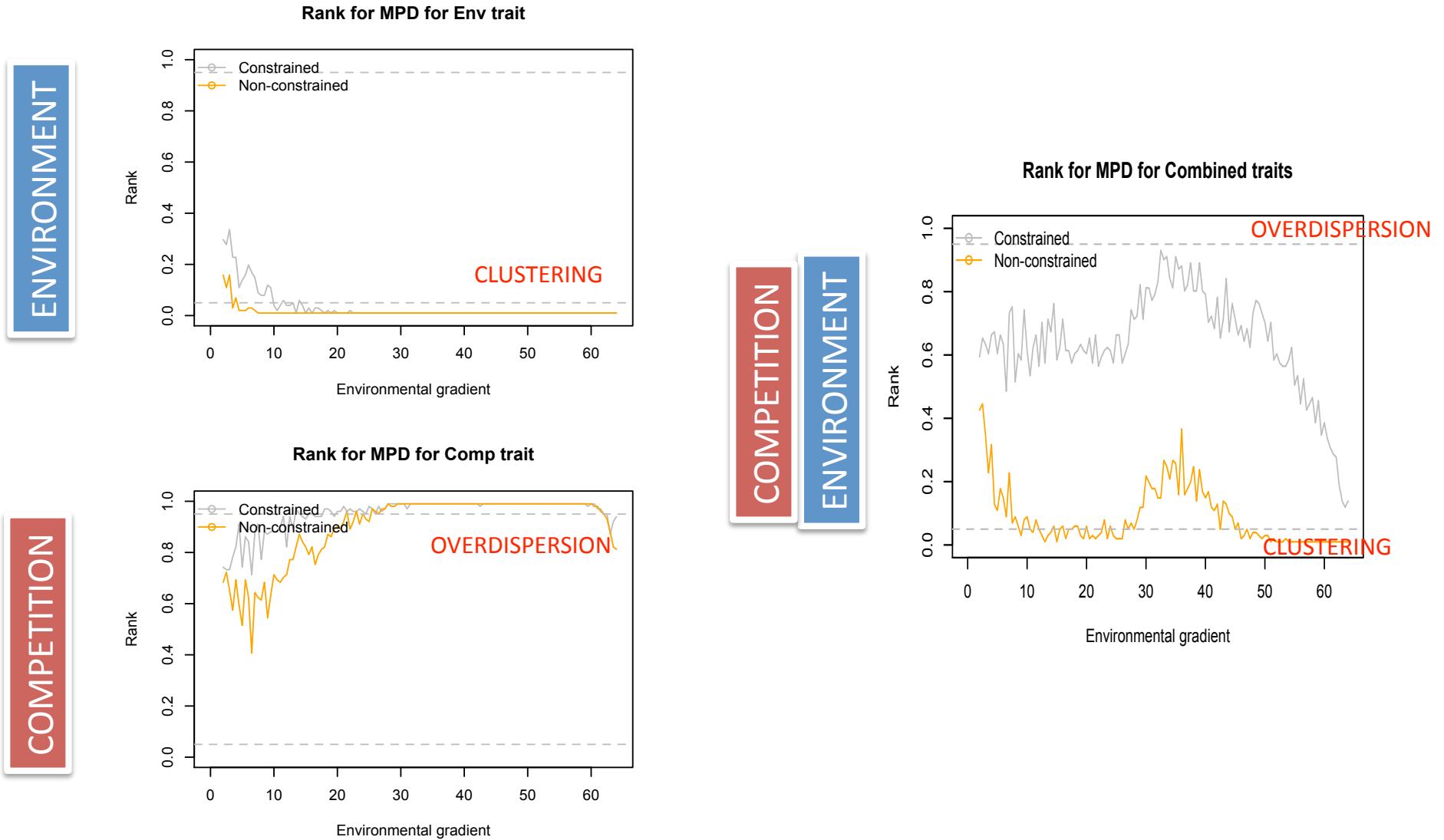


A) Same trait mediates environmental preference and competition



Because population is less tolerant to competition in harsh environment, competitive exclusion can occur more readily, even though intensity of competition is weaker (Hart & Marshall 2013)

B) 1 environmental filtering trait and 1 separate competition trait



POSSIBLE QUESTIONS TO ADDRESS ON INVASIONS

- How do invasion patterns vary along a **stress gradient** with more competition on one end and more facilitation on other?
- What is the relative importance of **regional processes** influencing the species pool and **local assembly** for invasion success: Propagule pressure vs. dispersal ability.
- Other ideas?

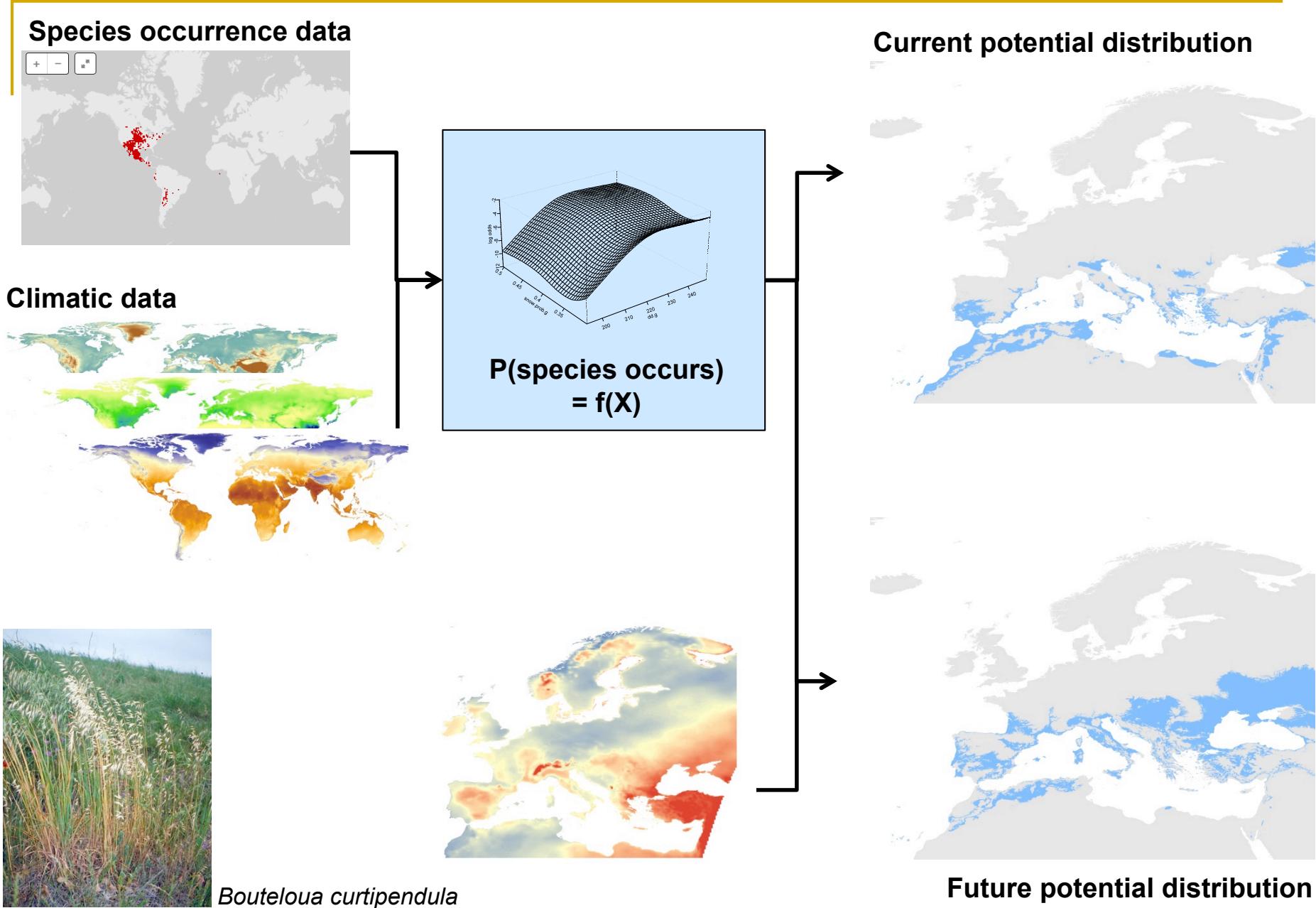


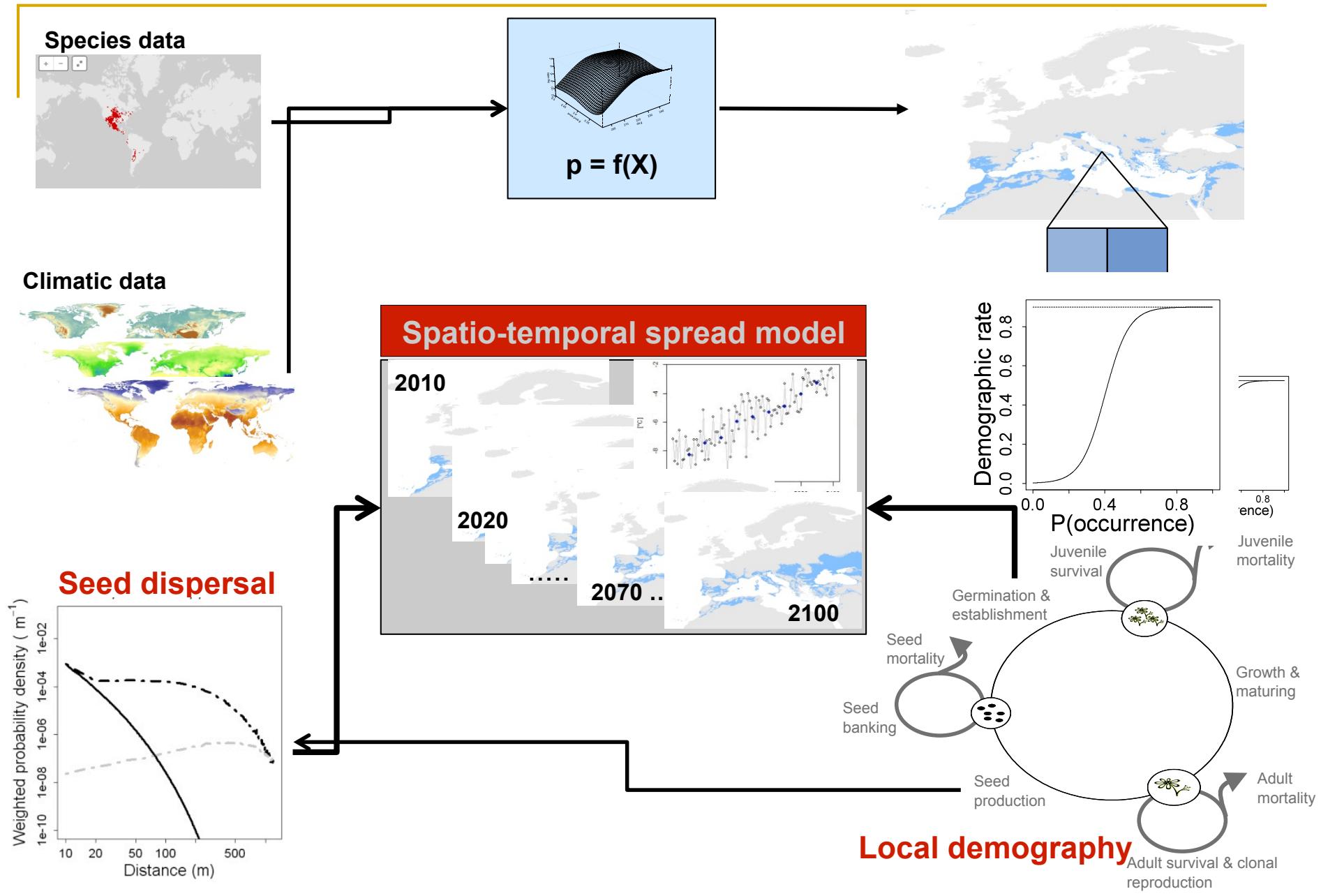
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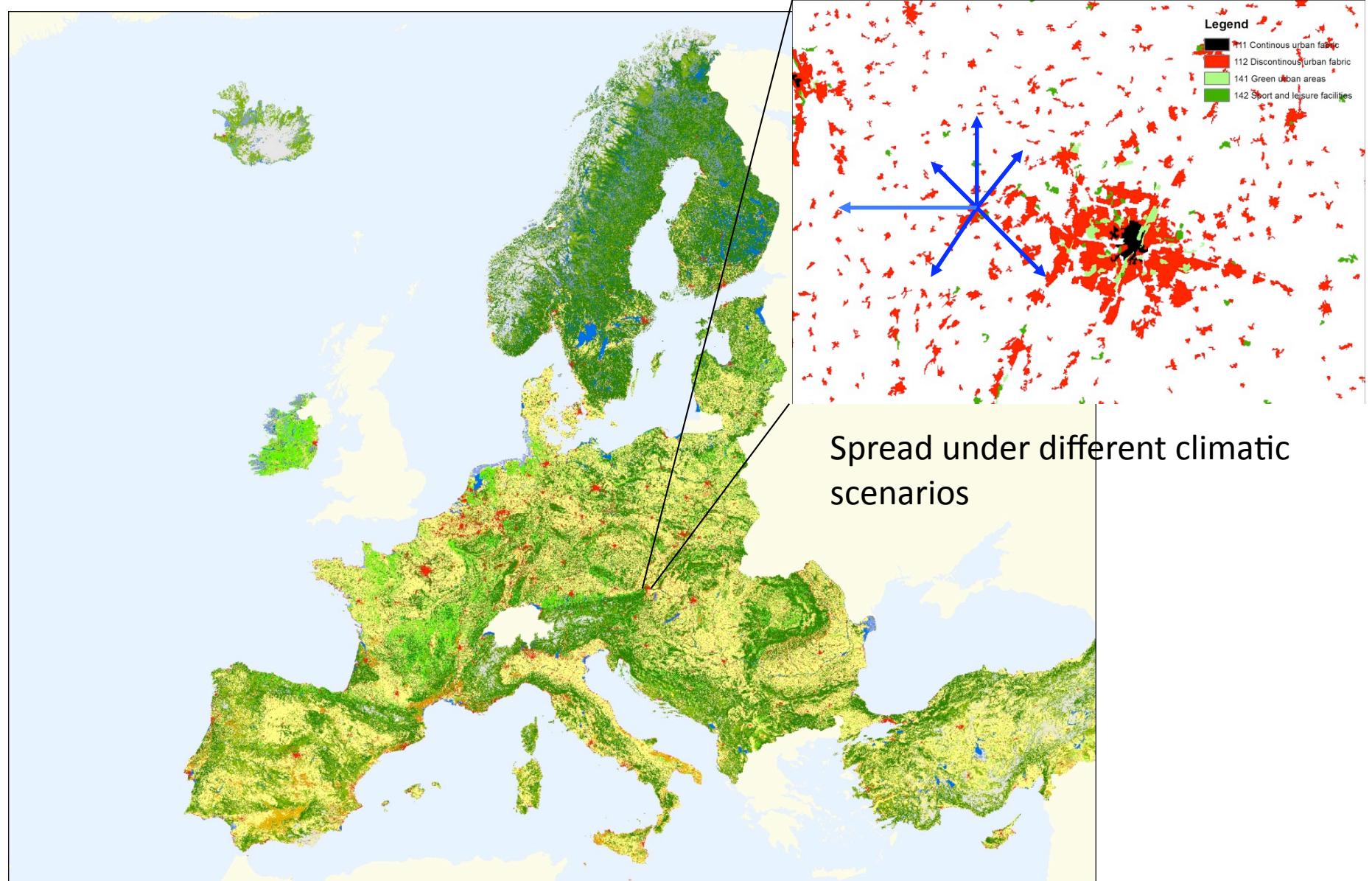




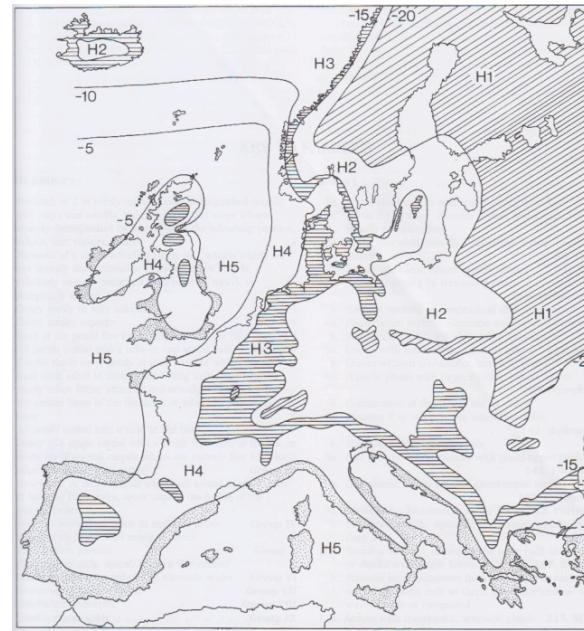
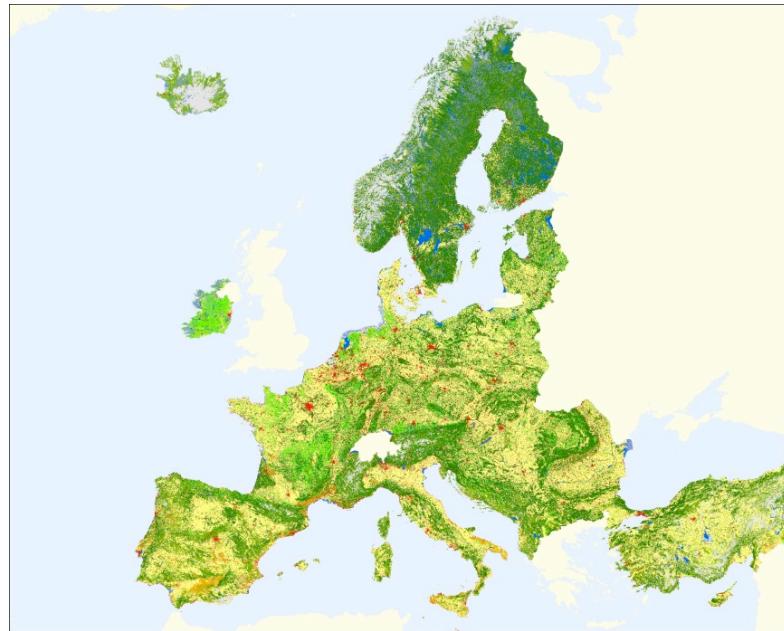
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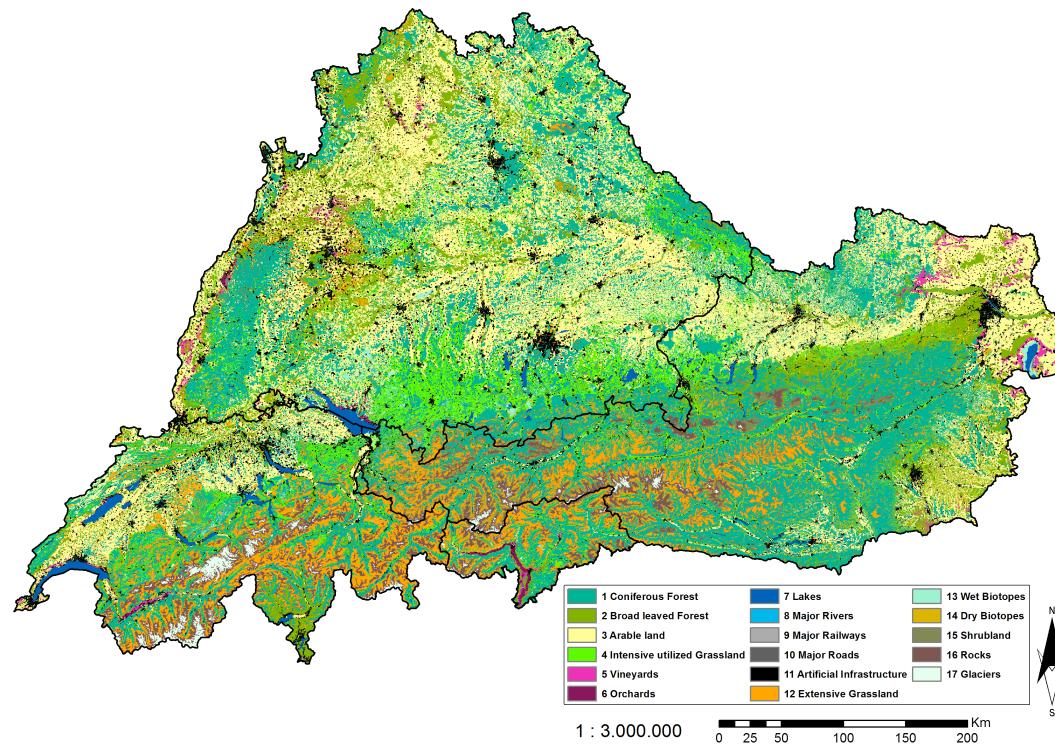


European scale model



- 250 m grid resolution
- Several levels of (assumed) planting intensities/species
- Carrying capacities varied among habitat types (CORINE & habitat info for species)
- Evaluating simulated occupancy patterns → effects of CC and management options on spread?

Regional scale (Central Europe)

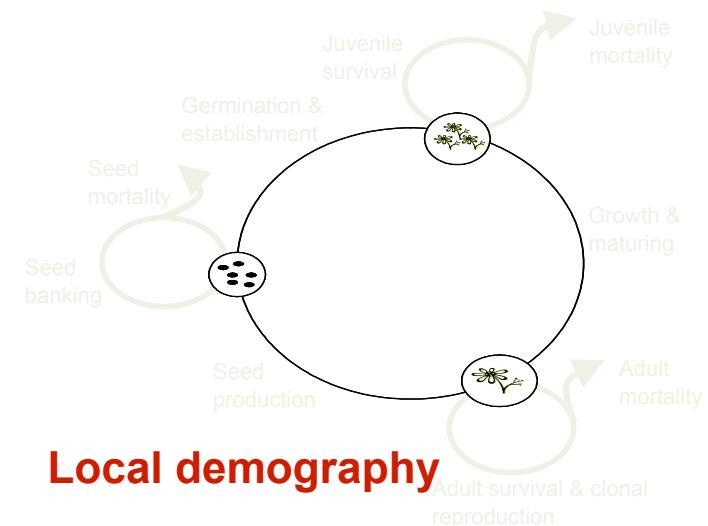


Fine resolution habitat maps (20m pixel scale) of CE

Running models at fine scale and evaluate risk at scale of habitats of conservation concern (extensively used grasslands, fens etc.)

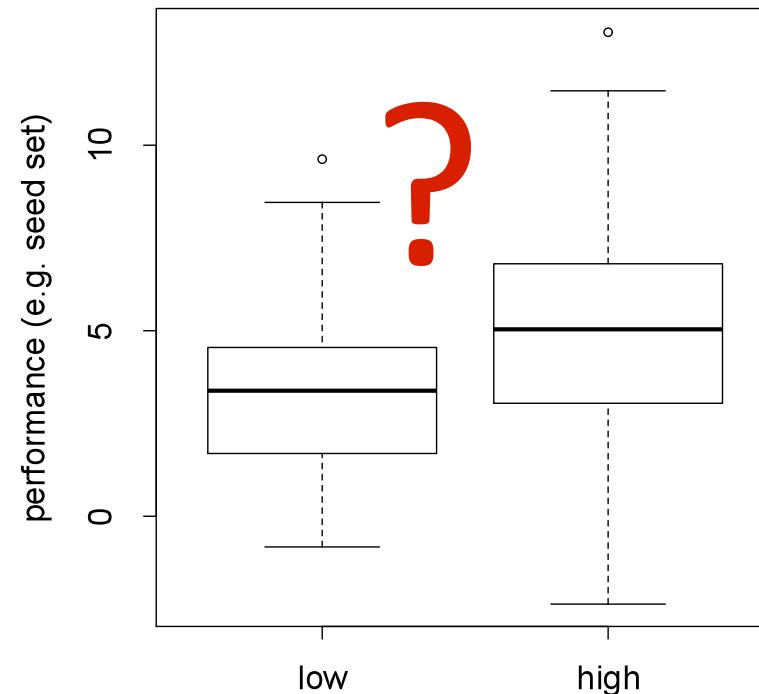
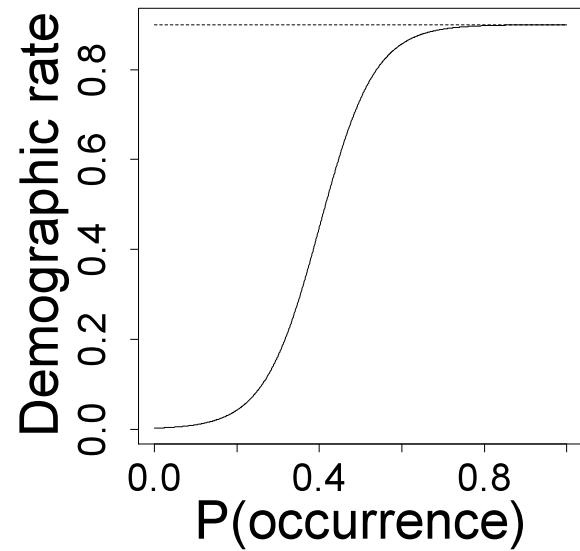
Data needs from experiments

- **Seed** data: size, weight, terminal velocity, shape parameters (~ 20 seeds per species)
- **Morphological** data: seed release height, size
- **Demographic / vital rate** data: flowering frequency, seed set, germination rate, age of maturity (= first flowering), survival until first flowering, clonal propagation rate, seed persistence in soil
- Which data are available at **which time** during the project?



Data needs from experiments

Performance data ideally for all (climatic) treatments you use



Predicted suitability of experimental conditions



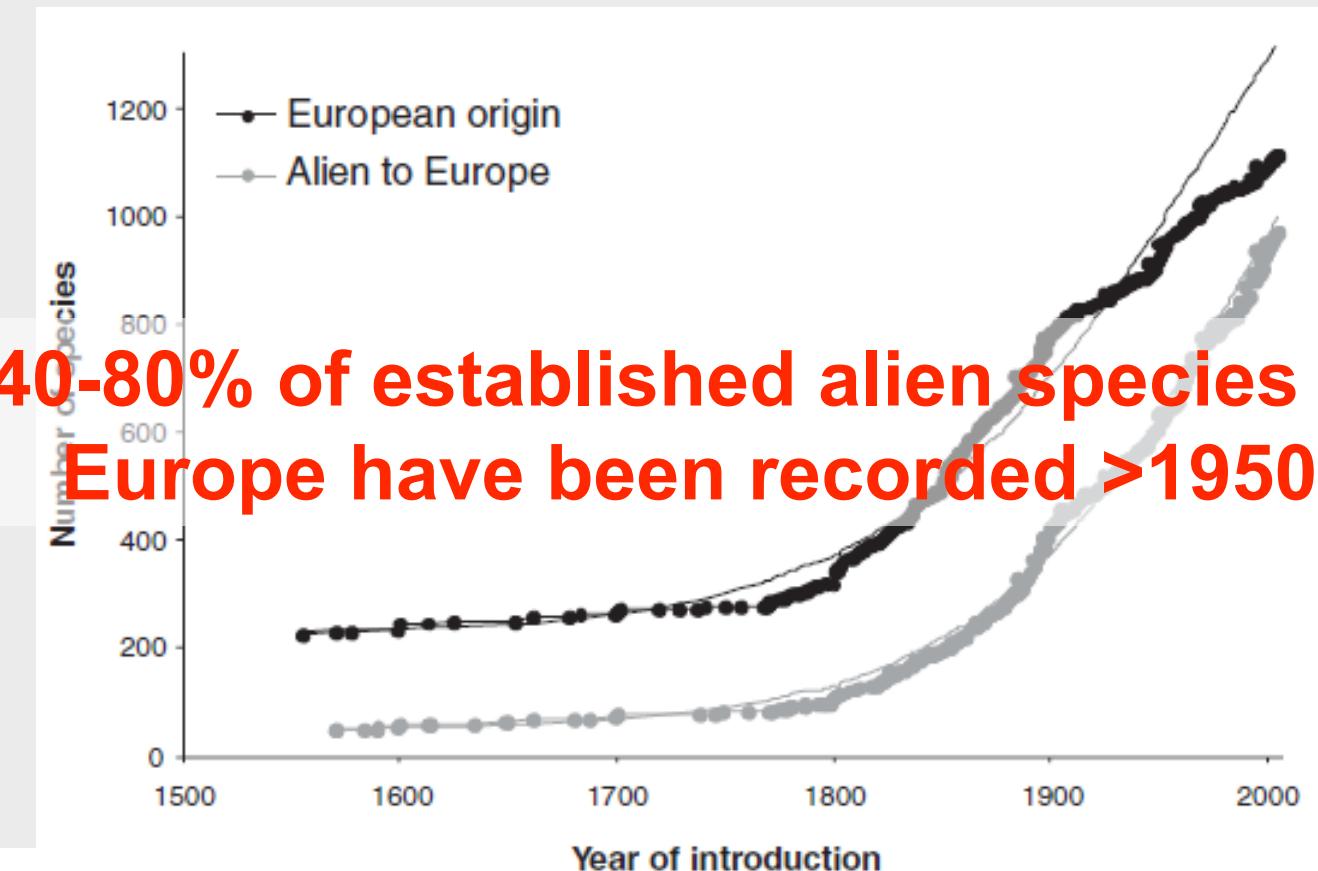
Who Is Next? Horticulture as a pathway for alien plants, stakeholder dissemination & policy advice

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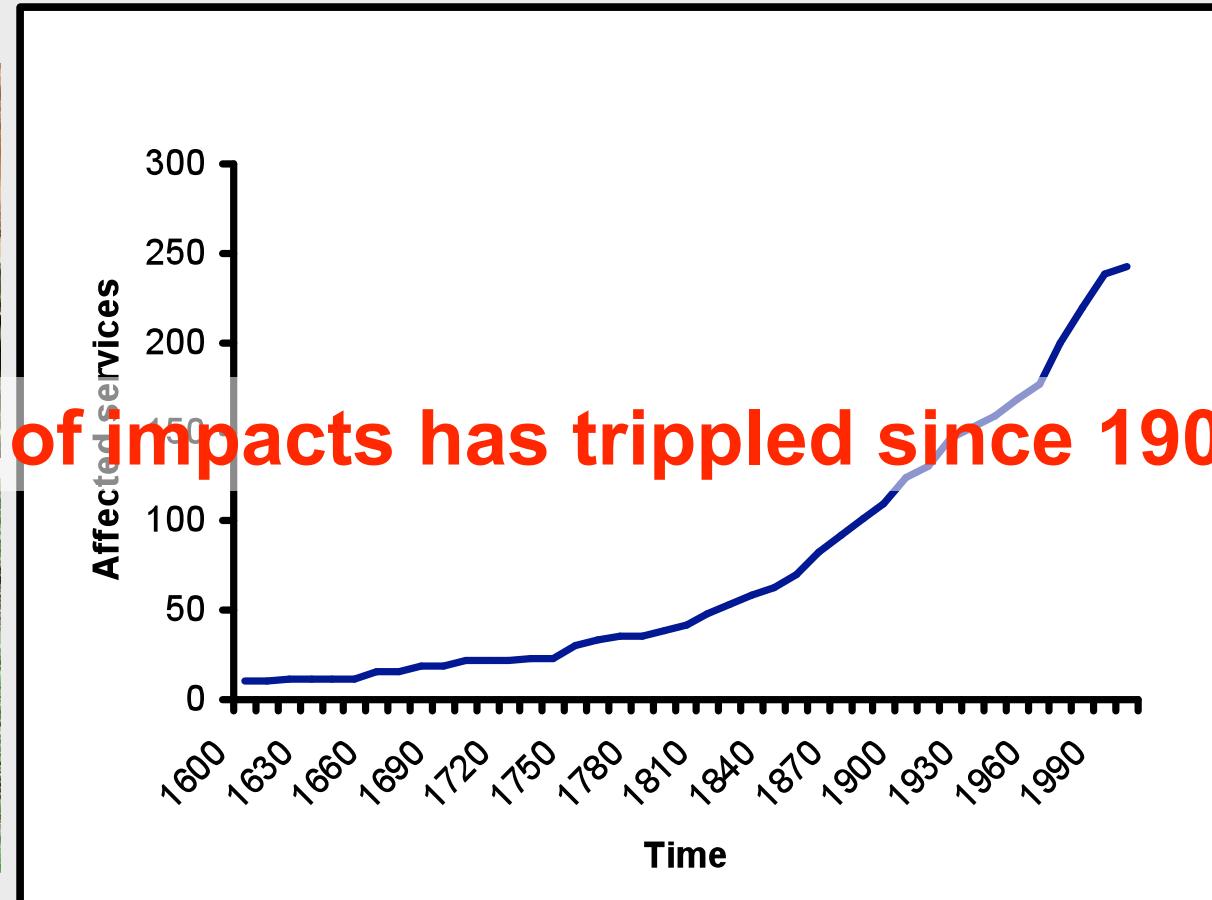
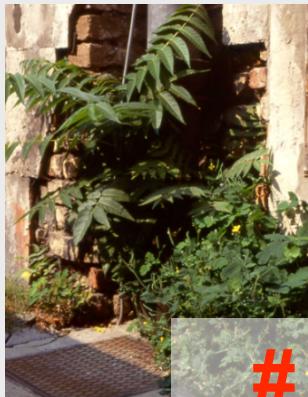
SOME BACKGROUND

Numbers of alien species are rapidly increasing



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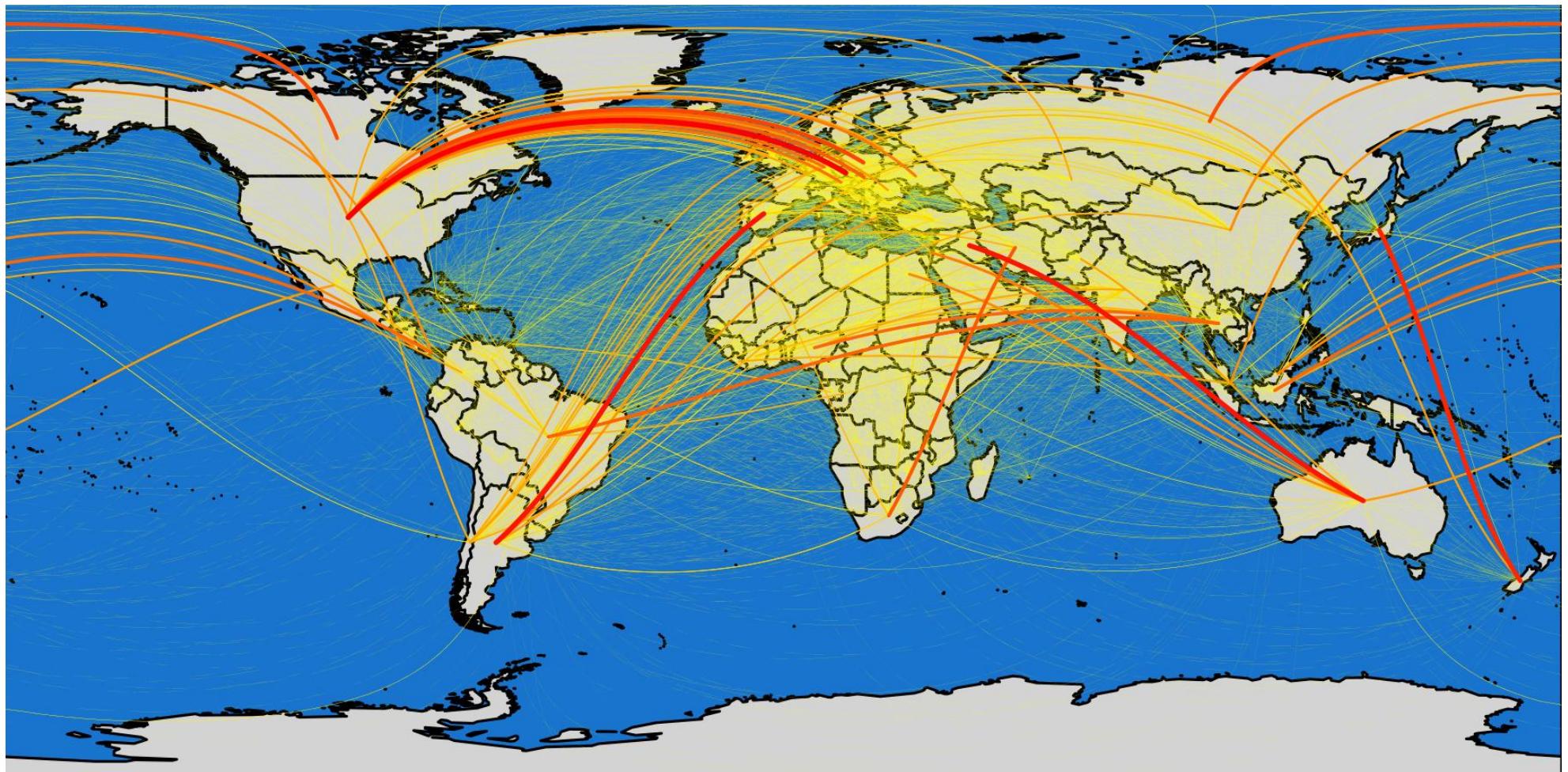
And so are their impacts: ecosystem services



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Rabitsch et al. 2012, “Number of affected ecosystem services over time for the DAISIE list of the ‘100 of the worst’ IAS”

This is driven by globalization: trade (proxy for pathways)



Patterns of global bilateral trade, Seebens et al. in prep.

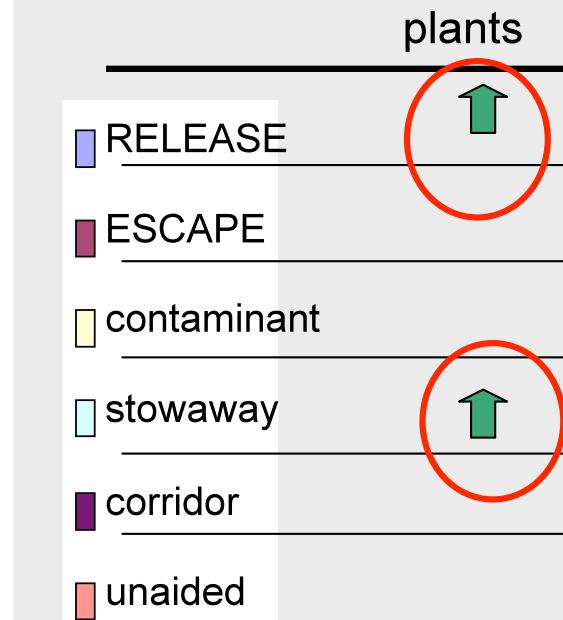
Understanding how pathways influence naturalization and invasion success may enhance prevention

Journal of Applied Ecology 2008, **45**, 403–414

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Grasping at the routes of biological invasions: a framework for integrating pathways into policy

P. E. Hulme^{1,2*}, S. Bacher³, M. Kenis⁴, S. Klotz⁵, I. Kühn⁵, D. Minchin⁶, W. Nentwig³, S. Olenin⁷, V. Panov⁸, J. Pergl⁹, P. Pyšek^{9,10}, A. Roques¹¹, D. Sol¹², W. Solarz¹³ and M. Vilà¹⁴



Some pathways are more likely to cause impacts of alien plants than others

Political context: AICHI Target 9 (CBD)



By 2020, invasive alien species and **pathways are identified and prioritized, priority species are controlled or eradicated, and measures are in place to manage pathways to prevent** their introduction and establishment

- Define **lists of species and pathways**
- Identify **priority pathways** for focusing prevention
- Identify **priority species** for response

The political context: EU Instrument on IAS

Brussels, 9.9.2013

COM(2013) 620 final

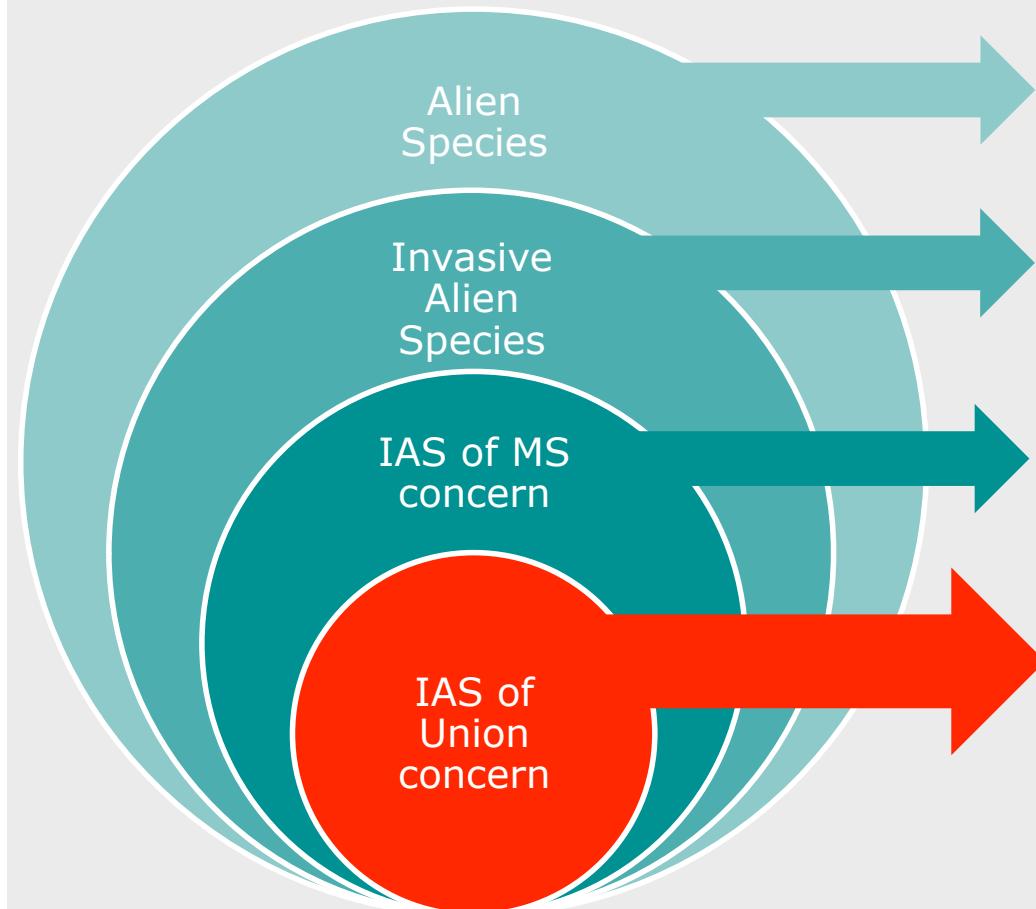
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Proposal for a

**REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL
on the prevention and management of the introduction and spread of invasive alien
species**

{SWD(2013) 321 final}
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List of alien species of EU-concern



- 12000+ species
 - 1200-1500 species?
 - ? species
 - On the basis of risk assessment
 - Member states have to take precautionary and management measures
- need for screening of IAS invasion / impact potential

Identify priority pathways

Article 11
Action plans on the pathways of invasive alien species

Member States shall, by [18 months from the entry into force of this Regulation – date to be inserted] at the latest carry out a comprehensive analysis of the pathways of unintentional introduction and spread of invasive alien species in their territory and identify the pathways which require priority action ('priority pathways'), because of the volume of species or of the damage caused by the species entering the Union through them. In doing so, Member States shall in particular focus on an analysis of the pathways of introduction of invasive alien species of Union concern.

→ need to assess the importance of major invasion pathways

Roadmap for EU policy on IAS

- Currently in EU parliament for stakeholder and MS input
- EP intends to adopt IAS regulation in this legislative period (by End of March 2014)

	Commission	Member States
Year 1	Establish list of IAS of Union concern	Put in place border control MS with ORs: develop OR specific lists
Year 1.5		Put in place surveillance system Analyse and prioritise pathways
Year 3		Action plan on pathways (every 4 yrs) First reporting to the Commission (every 4 yrs)
Year 5	Review and report to EP and Council	
Year 7		Review action plan on pathways Second report to the Commission
Gradual	Update of the list Develop information support mechanism	Propose IAS for listing with RA Prioritisation of pathway management based on experience acquired

WP 8: Stakeholder dissemination and policy advice

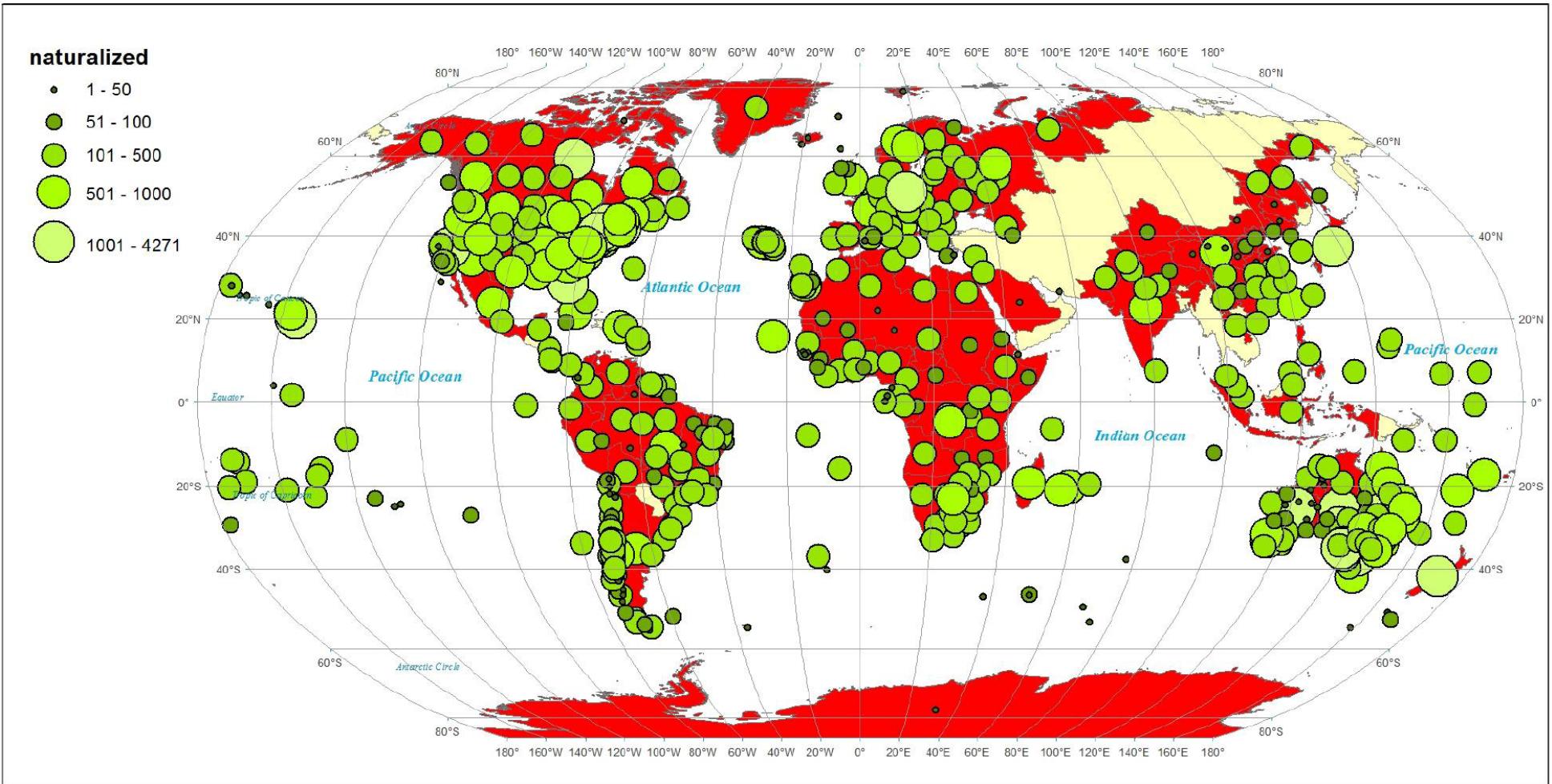
The EU has endorsed the preparation of a **dedicated instrument** on IS, which will be presented in mid-2013. This instrument should (among other issues) **fill policy gaps and help to identify and prioritize pathways and species**, and **prevent the introduction and establishment of new IAS** (EC 2008, 2011). [...]

Thus, we will actively disseminate and discuss the project results with **relevant stakeholders and policy makers**. A two-day workshop will be held towards the end of this project (project month 33), to which we will invite different stakeholders (horticulture, plant breeding industry, botanical gardens, horticultural societies), nature conservation managers, representatives of the European commission (DG ENV, EEA), representatives of national governments, and other researchers. The workshop will **explore the importance and consequences** of deliberate plant species introductions in an era of global change.

Horticulture as pathway for plant invasions: towards a European Black List

- Identify **plant species alien in Europe** (GloNAF) which are used as ornamentals (European Garden Flora; incl. frequency of planting from online catalogues, cf. Van Keken et al. etc.)
- Identify **plant species alien outside Europe**, which are used as ornamentals in Europe
- Add species-specific information on reported **impacts** (GISD-database, Vila et al.-impact database) and **simple traits**: life form, region of origin, reproduction mode, hardiness (TRY, BioFlor, European Garden Flora)

The GloNAF-database: alien plant distributions world-wide



>900 regions, c. 15,000 alien plant species; courtesy D Moser

Horticulture as pathway for plant invasions: expected results

- Establishing the European list of naturalized / invasive plant species introduced by horticulture (black list)
- Identifying potential future invaders for Europe (alert list): Which plants used as ornamentals in Europe **invade elsewhere**, and **how frequently**? Which one of these have recorded impacts and which ones?
- Does ornamental planting intensity increase the naturalization success (# countries invaded) and impact (# impacts recorded) in Europe? Are **impacts more often recorded for alien plants introduced as ornamentals** as for those not introduced by horticulture?

Will climate change give ornamental species invasive outside Europe a headstart?

- Select **Top 50** of ornamental plants recorded as naturalized outside from Europe adapted to warm climates (HD 4-5)
- **SDM modelling** (based on native and alien occurrences outside Europe, GBIF), and transfer of SDM-results to identify potential European range
- Compare with current **distribution of cultivation** of these species in Europe (cf. Van der Veken et al.)
- Use **climate change** scenarios to quantify overlap of current plantation with future climatically suitable regions in Europe

Contribution of WP8 to EU policy & Aichi targets?

- Define lists of species and pathways ✓
- Identify priority pathways for focusing prevention ✓
- Identify priority species for response ✓

→ inform the stakeholder WS (PM 33) and the wider community

THIS IS THE END



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