

Supplementary information*

Environmental DNA needs reference data for taxonomy-based
conservation policy – A case study from Te Wahipounamu,
Aotearoa / New Zealand

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43 1 Materials and methods

44 Data collation and analysis

45 All analyses were conducted in R (R Core Development Team, 2019) and Megan (Huson et al., 2016) of
46 increasing versions. Packages used for analysis in R included *curl*, *data.table*, *decontam*, *dplyr*, *flextable*,
47 *future.apply*, *ggpubr*, *grid*, *gridExtra*, *indicspecies*, *janitor*, *knitr*, *magick*, *magrittr*, *officer*, *openxlsx*, *phyloseq*,
48 *primerTree*, *readxl*, *reshape2*, *robis*, *sf*, *sjPlot*, *sp*, *taxize*, *taxonomizr*, *tidyr*, *tidyverse*, *vegan* and *xaringan*
49 (Auguie, 2017; Bache and Wickham, 2020; Bengtsson, 2021; B. Callahan and Davis, 2021; Chamberlain et al.,
50 2020; Dowle and Srinivasan, 2021; Firke, 2021; Gohel, 2021a; Gohel, 2021b; Hester, 2020; Kassambara, 2020;
51 Lüdecke, 2021; McMurdie et al., 2021; Oksanen et al., 2015; Ooms, 2021a; Ooms, 2021b; Pebesma, 2021;
52 Pebesma and Bivand, 2021; Provoost and Bosch, 2021; Schaubberger and Walker, 2021; Sherrill-Mix, 2021;
53 Wickham, 2020; Wickham, 2021a; Wickham, 2021b; Wickham and Bryan, 2019; Wickham, François, et al.,
54 2021; Xie, 2021a; Xie, 2021b).

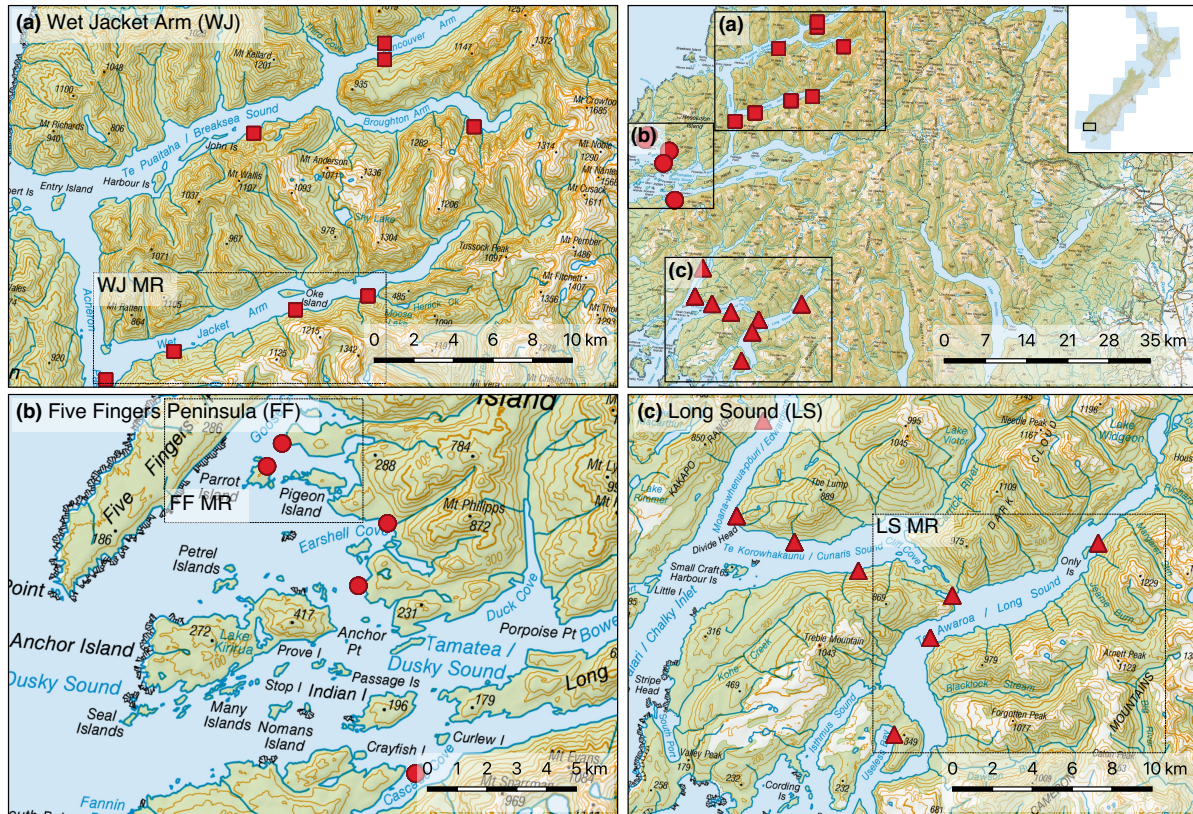
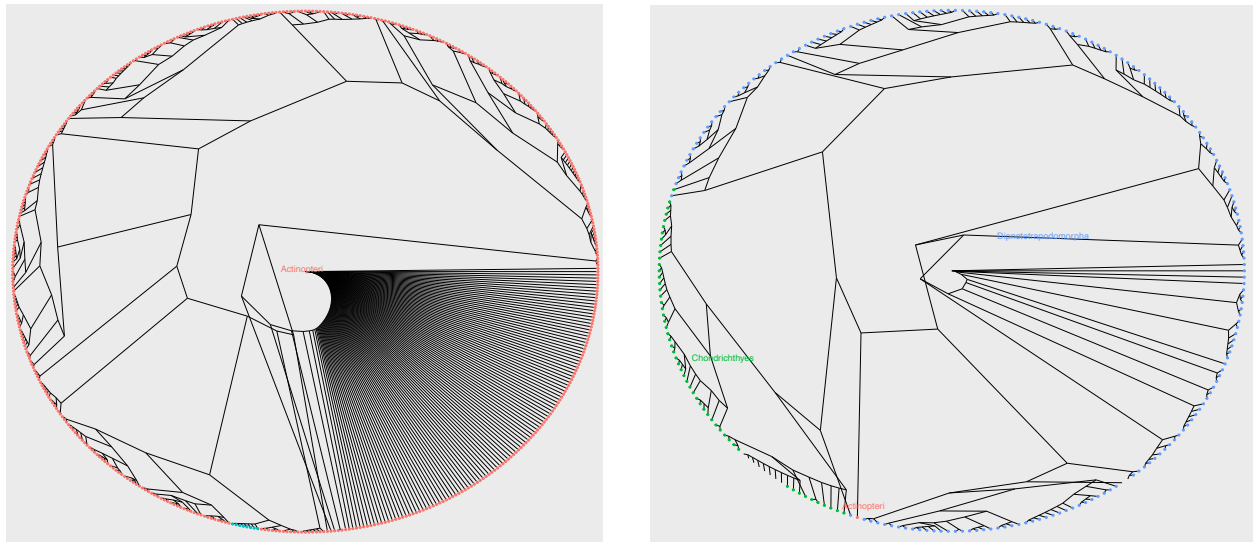


Figure 1: Sampling locations for BRUV and eDNA data collection in Te Wahipounamu, New Zealand. We analyzed species observations from 21 locations. Within each of the three sampling regions (WJ, FF, and LS), samples collected inside MRs are delineated by hatched rectangles, control samples are outside of rectangles. Base layer sourced from the LINZ Data Service licensed for reuse under CC BY 4.0.

55 Field work

56 To obtain eDNA at each sampling location (Fig.1), duplicates of 900 ml water portions were collected using
 57 a bleached Niskin Bottle, passed through separate 0.22 μm Sterivex columns (Merck, US-NJ) using sterile
 58 disposable 50 ml syringes, akin to Jeunen et al. (2020). To control contamination, negative controls were
 59 obtained after every second sample by passing molecular grade distilled water through third columns. After
 60 filtering, columns were filled with 5 ml Longmire's solution, sealed, and stored at 4°C for 21 days and -20°C
 61 subsequently (Majaneva et al., 2018).

62 BRUV footage was obtained for one hour using two waterproof cameras, recording at 1080p resolution,
 63 at 60 frames per second, 40 cm apart, at a converging angle of 8°, aided by two 300 lm lights. We filmed a
 64 permeable plastic container suspended 1.2 m below the cameras, carrying 500g bait (*Sardinops sagax*), akin to
 65 (Jeunen et al., 2020). Video footage were analyses by eye, taxonomic observations were formalized for further
 66 analysis using the NCBI taxonomy database (Federhen, 2012) and R package *taxonomizr* (Sherrill-Mix, 2021).



(a) Mifish U: ray-finned fish, tetrapods and lungfish.

(b) Elas02: cartilaginous and ray-finned fish, tetrapods, and lungfish

Figure 2: *In silico* PCR of used primer pairs: Likely amplification specificity of Mifish U and Elas02.

67 Primer selection and *in silico* PCR

68 Primer selection was verified using GAPeDNA v.1.0.1 (<https://shiny.cefe.cnrs.fr/GAPeDNA/>; Marques et al.
 69 2021) and Scite (Nicholson et al., 2021). We assessed our primer selection by initially evaluating online information
 70 provided by GAPeDNA with regards to reference data coverage for marine fish in the southern New Zealand
 71 province for all primer pairs listed. Subsequently, we retrieved the number of publications referencing the
 72 work introducing the primers.

73 *In silico* PCR of primers “MiFish-U” (Miya et al., 2015) and “Elas02” (Taberlet et al., 2018) was performed
 74 with R package *primerTree* (Hester, 2020) with default parameters (500 alignments, three possible mismatches).

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76 Environmental DNA data processing

77 Amplicon Sequence Variants (ASV’s *sensu* B. J. Callahan, McMurdie, and Holmes 2017) were generated from
 78 raw sequence data including use of Qiime v2 2020-08 (Bolyen et al., 2019). Initially, sequence quality was
 79 checked with FastQC (Andrews, 2010) as called by MultiQC (Ewels et al., 2016). We then used Cutadapt
 80 v3.0 (Martin, 2011) to deconvolute samples, while not allowing for any mismatches, and choosing an Expected
 81 Error value (Edgar and Flyvbjerg, 2015) of zero, to obtain high quality data.

82 Deconvoluted data were imported into Qiime and denoised (Rosen et al., 2012) using the DADA2 algorithm
 83 (v1.10.0; B. J. Callahan, McMurdie, Rosen, et al. 2016). Taxonomic annotation of denoised sequence data was
 84 obtained using Blast 2.10.0+ (Camacho et al., 2009) and a recent copy (April 2020) of the NCBI nucleotide
 85 collection (Benson et al., 2011) excluding environmental samples, while requiring a minimum identity 75%, a
 86 minimum query coverage of 95% and an e-value of 10^{-10} , retaining the first high-scoring alignment of each
 87 query-subject pair based on Bit-score (see Fig. 3 on the next page for raw data summary). To mitigate impact

Table 1: Evaluation of primer selection through GAPeDNA v.1.0.1 (<https://shiny.cefe.cnrs.fr/GAPeDNA/>; Marques et al. 2021). Listed is reference data coverage for marine fish in the southern New Zealand province as provided by the web tool, and citation count of primer references. GAPeDNA lists 489 sequenced species for southern New Zealand (11-Sep-2021). Citation counts obtained 13-Sep-2021. Total distinct citations as estimated by Scite (Nicholson et al., 2021).

Primer region	primer	species sequenced	reference	citations
12S	ACMDB	27% (134)	Bylemans et al. 2018	45
	Ac12S	29% (141)	Evans et al. 2016	229
	Am12S	25% (124)	Evans et al. 2016	229
	-	31% (154)	Kelly et al. 2014	263
	MiFish-U	24% (119)	Miya et al. 2015	378
	Teleo	24% (117)	Valentini et al. 2016	545
16S	-	51% (249)	DiBattista et al. 2017	42
	Ac16S	19% (95)	Evans et al. 2016	229
	Ve16S	36% (177)	Evans et al. 2016	229
	-	29% 144	Kitano et al. 2007	148
	Fish	51% (249)	McInnes et al. 2017	23
	ar / br	21% (101)	Palumbi 1996	<i>undeterminable</i>
	-	51% (249)	Shaw et al. 2016	141
COI	coi1	6% (29)	Ivanova et al. 2007	877
	vf1d	16% (80)	Ivanova et al. 2007	877
	F1	10% (48)	Ward et al. 2005	2 327
	F2	6% (30)	Ward et al. 2005	2 327
CytB	-	13% (66)	Kocher et al. 1989	3 536
	-	17% (85)	<i>M. Miya - undeterminable</i>	<i>undeterminable</i>
	2cb	8% (41)	Thomsen et al. 2012	521
	2de	15% (74)	Thomsen et al. 2012	521
	cb	7% (36)	Thomsen et al. 2012	521
18S	-	2% (11)	<i>J. McDondald - undeterminable</i>	<i>undeterminable</i>

2 Results

Primer selection and *in silico* PCR

Results of our primer assessment are shown in Table 1. *In silico* analyses found the employed primers to amplify some tetrapods as shown in Fig. 2 on page 4.

Environmental DNA data processing

The denoised, quality-filtered sequenced data consisted of 3 877 007 sequences across 125 samples and 2 139 ASV's (436 Eukaryota, as well as 1 703 non-eukaryote, i.e. Bacteria, Viruses, and undefined taxa; furthermore taxa across 5 super-phyyla, 31 phyla, 56 classes, 151 orders, 254 families, 426 genera, and 914 species). Sample mean coverage was 31 016 reads (min.: 1, med.: 2 001, max.: 272 614, standard deviation 54 592), and ASV mean (min, median, max) coverage was 1 812 reads (min.: 1, med.: 18, max.: 803 140, standard deviation 24 270).

Notable contaminants most likely introduced during water filtering (and subsequently removed) included *Homo sapiens* (human, 30 1070 reads), and *Cervus elaphus* (red deer, 19 372 reads). Low abundant ASVs

Table 2: Observation methods across literature sources and **OBIS**: Species observations listed in CD Roberts et al. (2019) for all of New Zealand were not used as part of the literature corpus analyses of Te Wahipounamu, but only to confirm native status of eDNA assignments.

Data source	Observation methods
Inglis et al. 2008	literature survey, poison stations and beach seine netting
Grange (1985)	unknown
Mladenov (2001)	unknown
Clive Roberts (2005)	Rotenone ichthyocide, spear gun, fishing with baited lines
Wing and Jack (2013)	diving surveys for conspicuous reef fish
OBIS	6 192 human observations, 62 machine observations, 59 preserved specimen
CD Roberts et al. (2019)*	voucher specimen described by taxonomic ichthyologist, validated species from literature, clear published account

144 *Odax pullus*, *Parapercis cobias*, *Parapercis gilliesii*, *Paratrachichthys trailli*, *Meuschenia scaber*, *Patiriella regu-*
145 *laris*, *Polyprion oxygeneios*, *Pseudolabrus miles*, *Pseudophycis barbata*, *Retropinna retropinna*, *Rhombosolea*
146 *plebeia*, *Ruanoho decemdigitatus*, *Ruanoho whero*, *Scorpaena papillosa*, *Scorpiis lineolata*, *Squalus acanthias*,
147 and *Thyrssites atun*. Observation methods for these species are listed in Table 2.

148 Notable taxa observed during environmental DNA (eDNA) processing included¹²

- 149 • in field controls: *Homo sapiens*[♣], *Cervus elaphus*[♣], *Serranidae* sp., *Poecilia reticulata*[♣], *Pictilabrus*
150 *laticlavius*^{*}
- 151 • in positive controls: *Poecilia reticulata*[♣], *Chromobotia macracanthus*^{*}, *Poecilia latipinna*[♣], *Poecilia*
152 *formosa*[♣], *Corydoras aeneus*^{*}
- 153 • in negative controls: *Homo sapiens*[♣], *Pictilabrus laticlavius*^{*}, *Poecilia latipinna*[♣]

154 Actinopteri obtained through eDNA analysis and video footage included:

- 155 • in reserves, but not outside: *Anguilla australis*, *Banjios banjos*, *Benitochromis finleyi*, *Bovichtus diacan-*
156 *thus*, *Chaetodon zanzibarensis*, *Gaidropsarus argentatus*, *Gymnoscopelus nicholsi*, *Helicolenus hilgendorfi*,
157 *Hygophum hygomii*, *Katsuwonos pelamis*, *Lutjanus sanguineus*, *Macruronus novaezelandiae*, *Monocentris*
158 *japonicus*, *Notolabrus fucicola*, *Oncorhynchus mykiss*, *Sander lucioperca*, *Scomber japonicus*, *Scorpaena*
159 *cardinalis*, *Scorpaena pepo*
- 160 • outside reserves, but not inside: *Aplodactylus arctidens*, *Callanthias japonicus*, *Chelidonichthys kumu*,
161 *Chelidonichthys spinosus*, *Engraulis japonicus*, *Forsterygion maryannae*, *Gobiesox maeandricus*, *Hy-*
162 *poptelectrodes huntii*, *Latridopsis ciliaris*, *Microcanthus strigatus*, *Odax pullus*, *Opistognathus punctatus*,
163 *Opistognathus* sp., *Phoxinus* sp., *Pseudophycis barbata*, *Thyrssites atun*, *Trachurus japonicus*

¹observations ordered by descending read abundance

²Taxon lists follow NCBI taxonomy (Federhen, 2012). Genera and species are known in Aotearoa / New Zealand (CD Roberts et al., 2019) unless indicated with an asterisk (“*”) or not a “fish” (“♣”), or freshwater taxa (“♣”).

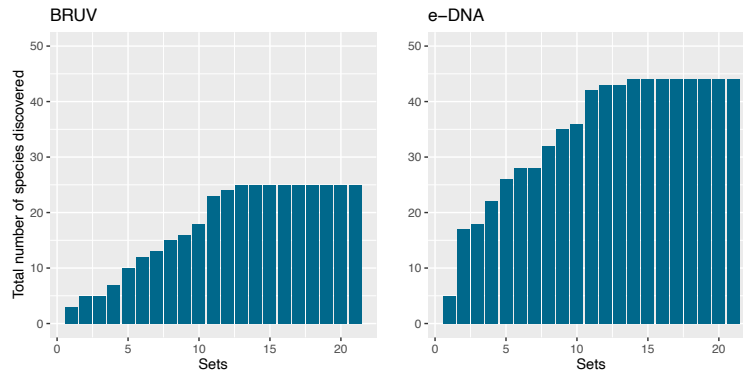


Figure 5: Species accumulation curves for BRUV and eDNA

- both inside and outside marine reserves: *Aldrichetta forsteri*, *Asterropteryx semipunctata*, *Bodianus unimaculatus*, *Bostrychus zonatus*, *Caesioperca lepidoptera*, *Caprodon schlegelii*, *Cheilodactylus variegatus*, *Cheilodactylus*, *zonatus*, *Coptodon zillii*, *Galaxias* sp. ('southern'), *Helcogramma striata*, *Helicolenus percoides*, *Lotella phycis*, *Lotella rhacina*, *Maurolucus muelleri*, *Meuschenia scaber*, *Nemadactylus macropterus*, *Notolabrus celidotus*, *Notolabrus cinctus*, *Opistognathus iyonis*, *Opistognathus liturus*, *Parapercis cobias*, *Parapercis decemfasciata*, *Pseudolabrus miles*, *Scobinichthys granulatus*

170 Species accumulation curves

171 Species accumulation curves for BRUV and eDNA data are shown in Fig. 5.

172 DNA sequence alignments

173 Amplicon sequence variants affected by gaps in alignments for taxonomic assignments included, in part, those
 174 belonging to families Callanthiidae, Chaetodontidae, Cichlidae, Eleotridae, Gaidropsaridae, Gobiesocidae,
 175 Gobiidae, Kyphosidae, Lutjanidae, Monocentridae, Myctophidae, Opistognathidae, Percidae, Pinguipedidae,
 176 Serranidae, Sternoptychidae, and Tripterygiidae.

177 Amplicon sequence variants affected by imperfect query coverage included, in part, those belonging to
 178 families Anguillidae, Banjosidae, Bovichtidae, Callanthiidae, Carangidae, Chaetodontidae, Cheilodactyli-
 179 dae, Cichlidae, Cyprinidae, Eleotridae, Engraulidae, Gaidropsaridae, Galaxiidae, Gobiesocidae, Gobiidae,
 180 Hexanchidae, Kyphosidae, Lutjanidae, Merlucciidae, Monacanthidae, Monocentridae, Moridae, Mugilidae,
 181 Myctophidae, Opistognathidae, Percidae, Pinguipedidae, Salmonidae, Scombridae, Scorpaenidae, Sebastidae,
 182 Serranidae, Squalidae, Sternoptychidae, Triakidae, Triglidae, and Tripterygiidae.

183 Alignments for *Arctocephalus forsteri* (New Zealand fur seal), *Balaenoptera musculus* (blue whale), and
 184 *Tursiops truncatus* (bottlenose dolphin) are shown in Fig. 6 on the following page.

185 ANOSIM results

186 ANOSIM results are summarized in Table 3 on page 11.

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750_125_single_end_e3-seq_blast-noenv.xml.maf
  Taxonomy
    Arctocepalus forsteri [2]
      @daa4a78c7301b9aeff406ca8b3c5e [length=168, matches=5]
      DATA [length=168]
      Arctocepalus forsteri; score=304.0
      >Arctocepalus forsteri isolate NZF528 mitochondrion, complete genome gi|1001823670|gb|KT693360.1| acc|KT693360
      Length = 16568
      Score = 304 bits (336), Expect = 0
      Identities = 168/168 (100%), Gaps = 0/168 (0%)
      Strand = Plus / Plus
      Query: 1 CACCGCGGTACATGATTAACCCAACTAACGGCCACGGCGTAAAGCGTGTAAAGATTATCAACACTAAAGTTAAATTTAACCAAGCCGTAAAAGCCACCGTTATACAAAATA 120
      Sbjct: 324 CACCGCGGTACATGATTAACCCAACTAACGGCCACGGCGTAAAGCGTGTAAAGATTATCAACACTAAAGTTAAATTTAACCAAGCCGTAAAAGCCACCGTTATACAAAATA 443
      Query: 121 TACTACGAAAGTACTTTACTACTCTGATTACACGATAGTAGAACC 168
      Sbjct: 444 TACTACGAAAGTACTTTACTACTCTGATTACACGATAGTAGAACC 491
      > Arctocepalus forsteri; score=304.0
      > Arctocepalus forsteri; score=304.0
      > Arctocepalus forsteri; score=304.0
      > Arctocepalus forsteri; score=304.0
      > Arctocepalus forsteri; score=304.0
    d1f916b1aed530cb1923785e70e170 [length=168, matches=5]
      DATA [length=168]
      Arctocepalus forsteri; score=304.0
      >Arctocepalus forsteri isolate NZF533 mitochondrion, complete genome gi|1001823726|gb|KT693365.1| acc|KT693365
      Length = 16569
      Score = 304 bits (336), Expect = 0
      Identities = 168/168 (100%), Gaps = 0/168 (0%)
      Strand = Plus / Plus
      Query: 1 CACCGCGGTACATGATTAACCCAACTAACGGCCACGGCGTAAAGCGTGTAAAGATTATTAACACTAAAGTTAAATTTAACCAAGCCGTAAAAGCCACCGTTATACAAAATA 120
      Sbjct: 324 CACCGCGGTACATGATTAACCCAACTAACGGCCACGGCGTAAAGCGTGTAAAGATTATTAACACTAAAGTTAAATTTAACCAAGCCGTAAAAGCCACCGTTATACAAAATA 443
      Query: 121 TACTACGAAAGTACTTTACTACTCTGATTACACGATAGTAGAACC 168
      Sbjct: 444 TACTACGAAAGTACTTTACTACTCTGATTACACGATAGTAGAACC 491
      > Arctocepalus forsteri; score=304.0
      > Arctocepalus forsteri; score=304.0
      > Arctocepalus forsteri; score=304.0
      > Arctocepalus forsteri; score=300.0
  
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(a) *Arctocepalus forsteri*

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750_125_single_end_e3-seq_blast-noenv.xml.maf
  Taxonomy
    Balaenoptera [1]
      Z20F8674b8542f842cb3f1cbe568c3e4 [length=170, matches=5]
      DATA [length=170]
      Balaenoptera musculus; score=308.0
      >Balaenoptera musculus mitochondrial DNA complete genome gi|414126|emb|XJ2204.1| acc|XJ2204
      Length = 16402
      Score = 308 bits (340), Expect = 0
      Identities = 170/170 (100%), Gaps = 0/170 (0%)
      Strand = Plus / Plus
      Query: 1 CACCGCGGTACATGATTAACCCAAATTAAGAAACACGGCGTAAAGAGTGTAAAGAGTCTCATAGAATAAAGTCAACCTTAATTAAGCTGTAAAAGCCATAATTAATAAAGCC 120
      Sbjct: 743 CACCGCGGTACATGATTAACCCAAATTAAGAAACACGGCGTAAAGAGTGTAAAGAGTCTCATAGAATAAAGTCAACCTTAATTAAGCTGTAAAAGCCATAATTAATAAAGCC 862
      Query: 121 AAACCTAGAAAGTACTTTAATATGATCTGATCAGACAGCAGTAAGATC 170
      Sbjct: 863 AAACCTAGAAAGTACTTTAATATGATCTGATCAGACAGCAGTAAGATC 912
      > Balaenoptera musculus; score=303.0
      > Balaenoptera borealis; score=285.0
      > Balaenoptera omurai; score=285.0
      >Balaenoptera omurai mitochondrial DNA, complete genome, isolate: NSMT-32992 gi|98265620|dbj|AB201257.1| acc|AB201257
      Length = 16404
      Score = 285 bits (315), Expect = 0
      Identities = 165/170 (97%), Gaps = 0/170 (0%)
      Strand = Plus / Plus
      Query: 1 CACCGCGGTACATGATTAACCCAAATTAAGAAACACGGCGTAAAGAGTGTAAAGAGTCTCATAGAATAAAGTCAACCTTAATTAAGCTGTAAAAGCCATAATTAATAAAGCC 120
      Sbjct: 322 CACCGCGGTACATGATTAACCCAAATTAAGAAACACGGCGTAAAGAGTGTAAAGAGTCTCATAGAATAAAGTCAACCTTAATTAAGCTGTAAAAGCCATAATTAATAAAGCC 441
      Query: 121 AAACCTAGAAAGTACTTTAATATGATCTGATCAGACAGCAGTAAGATC 170
      Sbjct: 442 AAACCTAGAAAGTACTTTAATATGATCTGATCAGACAGCAGTAAGATC 491
      > Balaenoptera omurai; score=285.0
  
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(b) *Balaenoptera musculus*

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750_125_single_end_e3-seq_blast-noenv.xml.maf
  Taxonomy
    Tursiops truncatus [1]
      d26313c10c0e939a42c32765437db728 [length=171, matches=5]
      DATA [length=171]
      Tursiops truncatus; score=310.0
      >Tursiops truncatus isolate OM_Tt_109 NADH dehydrogenase subunit 6 (ND6) gene, partial cds; tRNA-Glu gene, complete
      sequence; cytochrome b (CYTB) gene, partial cds; D-loop, tRNA-Phe, 12S ribosomal RNA, and tRNA-Val genes, complete
      sequence; and 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence; mitochondrial gi|1367973882|gb|MG762991.1| acc|MG762991
      Length = 4440
      Score = 310 bits (342), Expect = 0
      Identities = 171/171 (100%), Gaps = 0/171 (0%)
      Strand = Plus / Plus
      Query: 1 CACCGCGGTACATGATTAACCCAACTAAAGAAACACGGCGTAAAGAGTGTCAAGAAACAATATAAAAAAAGTCAACCTTAATTAAGCTGTAAAAGCCATAATTAATAAAGT 120
      Sbjct: 2968 CACCGCGGTACATGATTAACCCAACTAAAGAAACACGGCGTAAAGAGTGTCAAGAAACAATATAAAAAAAGTCAACCTTAATTAAGCTGTAAAAGCCATAATTAATAAAGT 3087
      Query: 121 TAAACTAGAAAGTACTTTACCATAACTGAATACAGCACTAAGACC 171
      Sbjct: 3088 TAAACTAGAAAGTACTTTACCATAACTGAATACAGCACTAAGACC 3138
      > Tursiops truncatus; score=310.0
      > Tursiops truncatus; score=310.0
      > Tursiops truncatus; score=310.0
      > Tursiops truncatus; score=310.0
  
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(c) *Tursiops truncatus*

Figure 6: Alignment examples (a) for *Arctocepalus forsteri* (New Zealand fur seal), (b) *Balaenoptera musculus* (blue whale), and (c) *Tursiops truncatus* (bottlenose dolphin), as exported from Megan (Huson et al., 2016).

Table 3: Summary of ANOSIM (Clarke, 1993) results. Results are shown for Jaccard (Jaccard, 1912) distances of fish species observations between field work data sets, based on different grouping variables. Sets aggregated by grouping variables were used for permutation testing. Significant values derived from permutation testing within grouping variable (n = 9999).

Replication over	Tax. level	Location grouping	Obs. method	ANOSIM R	Significance
SET.ID	SPECIES	RESERVE.GROUP.LOCATION	eDNA	0.113618524	0.1401
	GENUS			0.129317111	0.1066
	FAMILY			0.116758242	0.1349
	ORDER			0.090266876	0.1763
	SPECIES	RESERVE.GROUP.INSIDE		-0.075454545	0.8757
	GENUS			-0.042090909	0.7155
	FAMILY			-0.030363636	0.6528
	ORDER			0.003454545	0.4354
	SPECIES	RESERVE.GROUP.LOCATION	BRUV	0.383437991	0.0005
	GENUS			0.410518053	0.0003
	FAMILY			0.410518053	0.0004
	ORDER			0.289246468	0.0039
	SPECIES	RESERVE.GROUP.INSIDE		0.106272727	0.0758
	GENUS			0.075818182	0.1296
	FAMILY			0.095727273	0.0855
	ORDER			0.064727273	0.1503

187 Indicator species analysis

188 Indicator species analysis saw *Bodianus unimaculatus* (red hogfish) non-randomly common at WJ CTRL+WJ
 189 MR (stat 0.725, p 0.0282). On genus level, *Bodianus* (hogfish) appeared non-randomly at WJ CTRL+WJ
 190 MR (statistic 0.725, p 0.03). At family level, Labridae (wrasses) appeared associated with FF CTRL+FF
 191 MR+WJ CTRL+WJ MR (stat 0.725, p 0.0385). At order level Perciformes was common at FF MR+WJ
 192 CTRL+WJ MR (statistic 0.699, p 0.0301).

193 Binomial regression

194 Regression analysis is summarized in Fig. 7 on the following page. Model coefficients are summarized in Fig.
 195 8 on the next page.

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- 200 Bache, S. M., & Wickham, H. (2020). *Magrittr: A forward-pipe operator for r*. R package version 2.0.1.
 201 Retrieved from <https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=magrittr>
- 202 Bengtsson, H. (2021). *Future.apply: Apply function to elements in parallel using futures*. R package version
 203 1.8.1. Retrieved from <https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=future.apply>
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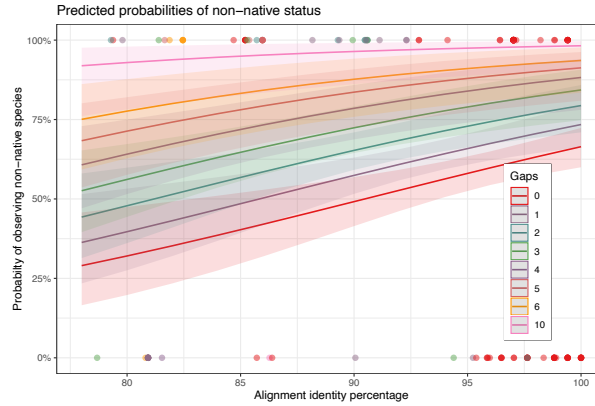


Figure 7: Summary of binomial regression. The response variable was non-native status of eDNA detected species (TRUE: eDNA derived species assignment not in CD Roberts et al. (2019), 19 species among 53 ASVs; FALSE: 25 species among 39 ASVs), predictor variables were the number of alignment gaps and alignment query coverage (%), the number of trials were defined using by numbers of locations at which each assigned species was seen. Graph created using R package *sjPlot* (2.8.0).

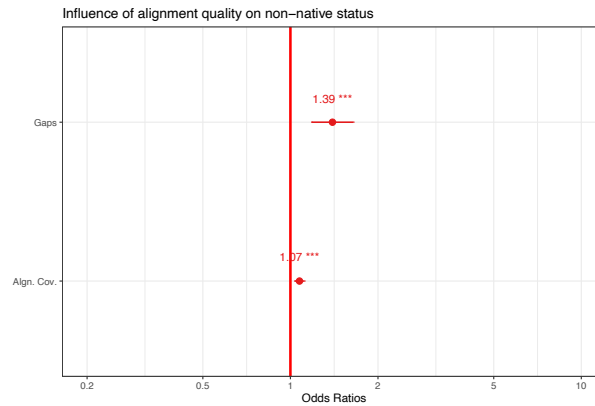


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363 A Taxonomic observations

Table 4: Details on taxonomic observations across data sources. Taxonomic hierarchies conform with NCBI taxonomy, where available, and are sorted alphabetically – the resulting species order is identical to Fig. 2 of *main text*. Taxa not listed as New Zealand species in (CD Roberts et al., 2019) are highlighted with Asterisk (*). Trivial names are indicated, where available from NCBI.

Class	Order	Family	Genus	Species	Common name	BRUV	eDNA	OBIS	Literature	
Actinopteri	Anguilliformes	Anguillidae	<i>Anguilla</i>	<i>Anguilla australis</i>	Australian shortfin eel		1			
		Congridae	<i>Conger</i>	<i>Conger verreauxi</i>	conger eel				TRUE	
	Atheriniformes	Atherinidae	<i>Atherinomorus</i>	<i>Atherinomorus lacunosus</i>	hardyhead silverside				TRUE	
	Blenniiformes	Gobiesocidae	<i>Gobiesox*</i>	<i>Gobiesox maeandricus*</i>	northern clingfish			1		
			Tripterygiidae	<i>Bellapiscis</i>	<i>Bellapiscis lesleyae</i>	mottled twister				TRUE
				<i>Bellapiscis medius</i>	twister				TRUE	
				<i>Cryptichthys</i>	<i>Cryptichthys jojettae</i>					TRUE
				<i>Forsterygion</i>	<i>Forsterygion capito</i>	spotted robust triplefin				TRUE
					<i>Forsterygion flavonigrum</i>	yellow-and-black triplefin			TRUE	TRUE
					<i>Forsterygion lapillum</i>	common triplefin				TRUE
					<i>Forsterygion malcolmi</i>					TRUE
					<i>Forsterygion maryannae</i>		4			TRUE
					<i>Forsterygion varium</i>	striped triplefin				TRUE
				<i>Helcogramma*</i>	<i>Helcogramma striata*</i>				6	
				<i>Karalepis</i>	<i>Karalepis stewarti</i>					TRUE
				<i>Notoclinops</i>	<i>Notoclinops caerulepunctus</i>					TRUE
				<i>Notoclinops segmentatus</i>					TRUE	
			<i>Notoclinus</i>	<i>Notoclinus compressus</i>					TRUE	
				<i>Notoclinus fenestratus</i>					TRUE	
			<i>Ruanoho</i>	<i>Ruanoho decemdigitatus</i>					TRUE	
			<i>Ruanoho whereo</i>	spectacled triplefin				TRUE		
	Carangiformes	Carangidae	<i>Trachurus</i>	<i>Trachurus japonicus</i>	Japanese jack mackerel				1	
Centrarchiformes	Aplodactylidae		<i>Aplodactylus</i>	<i>Aplodactylus arctidens</i>		2			TRUE	
			<i>Cheilodactylus</i>	<i>Cheilodactylus variegatus</i>				7		
			<i>Cheilodactylus zonatus</i>	blackbarred morwong			7			
			<i>Nemadactylus</i>	<i>Nemadactylus macropterus</i>	tarakihi	14		TRUE	TRUE	
		Kyphosidae	<i>Microcanthus*</i>	<i>Microcanthus strigatus*</i>	stripey			1		

Class (cont.)	Order (cont.)	Family (cont.)	Genus (cont.)	Species (cont.)	Common name (cont.)	BRUV (cont.)	eDNA (cont.)	OBIS (cont.)	Literature (cont.)
			<i>Scorpis</i>	<i>Scorpis lineolata</i>	silver sweep				TRUE
		Latridae	<i>Latridopsis</i>	<i>Latridopsis ciliaris</i>	blue moki	1		TRUE	TRUE
				<i>Latridopsis forsteri</i>	bastard trumpeter				TRUE
			<i>Latris</i>	<i>Latris lineata</i>	striped trumpeter			TRUE	TRUE
			<i>Mendosoma</i>	<i>Mendosoma lineatum</i>					TRUE
	Chaetodontiformes	Chaetodontidae	<i>Chaetodon</i>	<i>Chaetodon zanzibarensis</i>			1		
	Cichliformes	Cichlidae	<i>Benitochromis</i> *	<i>Benitochromis finleyi</i> *			1		
			<i>Coptodon</i> *	<i>Coptodon zillii</i> *	redbelly tilapia		2		
	Clupeiformes	Engraulidae	<i>Engraulis</i> *	<i>Engraulis japonicus</i> *	Japanese anchovy		1		
	Cypriniformes	Cyprinidae	<i>Phoxinus</i> *	<i>Phoxinus sp.*</i>			1		
	Gadiformes	Gaidropsaridae	<i>Gaidropsarus</i>	<i>Gaidropsarus argentatus</i>	Arctic rockling		1		
				<i>Gaidropsarus novaezelandi</i>					TRUE
		Merlucciidae	<i>Macruronus</i>	<i>Macruronus novaezelandiae</i>	blue grenadier		1		
		Moridae	<i>Lotella</i>	<i>Lotella phycis</i>			2		
				<i>Lotella rhacina</i>	rock cod	2			TRUE
			<i>Pseudophycis</i>	<i>Pseudophycis barbata</i>	southern bastard codling	1		TRUE	TRUE
	Galaxiiformes	Galaxiidae	<i>Galaxias</i>	<i>Galaxias argenteus</i>				TRUE	
				<i>Galaxias sp.</i>			4		
	Gobiesociformes	Gobiesocidae	<i>Modicus</i>	<i>Modicus minimus</i>					TRUE
				<i>Modicus tangaroa</i>					TRUE
	Gobiiformes	Eleotridae	<i>Bostrychus</i> *	<i>Bostrychus zonatus</i> *	barred gudgeon		8		
		Gobiidae	<i>Asterropteryx</i> *	<i>Asterropteryx semipunctata</i> *	starry goby		5		
			<i>Gobiopsis</i>	<i>Gobiopsis atrata</i>					TRUE
		Thalasseleotrididae	<i>Thalasseleotris</i>	<i>Thalasseleotris iota</i>				TRUE	
	Labriformes	Labridae	<i>Bodianus</i>	<i>Bodianus unimaculatus</i>	red pigfish	5			
			<i>Notolabrus</i>	<i>Notolabrus celidotus</i>	New Zealand spotty	5		TRUE	TRUE
				<i>Notolabrus cinctus</i>		4		TRUE	TRUE
				<i>Notolabrus fucicola</i>	yellow-saddled wrasse	1		TRUE	TRUE
			<i>Pseudolabrus</i>	<i>Pseudolabrus miles</i>		16		TRUE	TRUE
		Odadidae	<i>Odax</i>	<i>Odax pullus</i>	greenbone	1			TRUE

Class (cont.)	Order (cont.)	Family (cont.)	Genus (cont.)	Species (cont.)	Common name (cont.)	BRUV (cont.)	eDNA (cont.)	OBIS (cont.)	Literature (cont.)		
	Lutjaniformes	Lutjanidae	<i>Lutjanus</i>	<i>Lutjanus sanguineus</i>	humphead snapper		1				
	Mugiliformes	Mugilidae	<i>Aldrichetta</i>	<i>Aldrichetta forsteri</i>	yellow-eye mullet		2		TRUE		
	Myctophiformes	Myctophidae	<i>Gymnoscopelus*</i>	<i>Gymnoscopelus nicholsi*</i>			1				
				<i>Hygophum</i>	<i>Hygophum hygomii</i>			1			
	Ophidiiformes	Bythitidae	<i>Fiordichthys</i>	<i>Fiordichthys slartibartfasti</i>					TRUE		
	Osmeriformes	Retropinnidae	<i>Retropinna</i>	<i>Retropinna retropinna</i>	cucumberfish				TRUE		
	Ovalentaria	Plesiopidae	<i>Acanthoclinus</i>	<i>Acanthoclinus fuscus</i>					TRUE		
				<i>Acanthoclinus littoreus</i>						TRUE	
				<i>Acanthoclinus marilynae</i>						TRUE	
				<i>Acanthoclinus matti</i>						TRUE	
				<i>Acanthoclinus rua</i>					TRUE		
	Pempheiformes	Banjosidae	<i>Banjos*</i>	<i>Banjos banjos*</i>			6				
		Percophidae	<i>Hemerocoetes</i>	<i>Hemerocoetes monopterygius</i>					TRUE		
		Polyprionidae	<i>Polyprion</i>	<i>Polyprion oxygeneios</i>					TRUE		
	Perciformes	Bovichtidae	<i>Bovichtus*</i>	<i>Bovichtus diacanthus*</i>			1				
				<i>Bovichtus variegatus*</i>	thornfish					TRUE	
		Callanthiidae	<i>Callanthias</i>	<i>Callanthias allporti</i>						TRUE	
				<i>Callanthias japonicus</i>				1			
		Nototheniidae	<i>Notothenia</i>	<i>Notothenia angustata</i>	Maori chief				TRUE		
		Percidae	<i>Sander*</i>	<i>Sander lucioperca*</i>	pikeperch			1			
		Scorpaenidae	<i>Scorpaena</i>	<i>Scorpaena cardinalis</i>	red rock cod		1				
				<i>Scorpaena papillosa</i>						TRUE	TRUE
				<i>Scorpaena pepo</i>	pumpkin scorpionfish				1		
		Sebastidae	<i>Helicolenus</i>	<i>Helicolenus hilgendorfi</i>							
	<i>Helicolenus percoides</i>						6			TRUE	
	Serranidae	<i>Caesioperca</i>	<i>Caesioperca lepidoptera</i>				8		TRUE	TRUE	
			<i>Caprodon*</i>	<i>Caprodon schlegelii*</i>	sunrise perch				27		
			<i>Hypoplectrodes</i>	<i>Hypoplectrodes huntii</i>				2			TRUE
		<i>Lepidoperca</i>	<i>Lepidoperca tasmanica</i>						TRUE	TRUE	
	Triglidae	<i>Chelidonichthys</i>	<i>Chelidonichthys kumu</i>	bluefin gurnard			1				

Class (cont.)	Order (cont.)	Family (cont.)	Genus (cont.)	Species (cont.)	Common name (cont.)	BRUV (cont.)	eDNA (cont.)	OBIS (cont.)	Literature (cont.)
				<i>Chelidonichthys spinosus</i>	red gurnard		1		
	Pleuronectiformes	Rhombosoleidae	<i>Peltorhamphus</i>	<i>Peltorhamphus latus</i>	speckled sole			TRUE	
			<i>Rhombosolea</i>	<i>Rhombosolea plebeia</i>	New Zealand flounder				TRUE
	Salmoniformes	Salmonidae	<i>Oncorhynchus</i>	<i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>	rainbow trout		1		
	Scombriformes	Gempylidae	<i>Thyrsites</i>	<i>Thyrsites atun</i>	snoek	1			TRUE
		Scombridae	<i>Katsuwonus</i>	<i>Katsuwonus pelamis</i>	skipjack tuna		1		
			<i>Scomber</i>	<i>Scomber japonicus</i>	chub mackerel		1		
	Stomiiformes	Sternoptychidae	<i>Maurolicus</i>	<i>Maurolicus muelleri</i>	pearlsides		9		
	Tetraodontiformes	Monacanthidae	<i>Meuschenia</i>	<i>Meuschenia scaber</i>	velvet leatherjacket	6		TRUE	TRUE
			<i>Scobinichthys*</i>	<i>Scobinichthys granulatus*</i>	rough leatherjacket		11		
	Trachichthyiformes	Monocentridae	<i>Monocentris</i>	<i>Monocentris japonicus</i>			2		
		Trachichthyidae	<i>Paratrachichthys</i>	<i>Paratrachichthys trailli</i>	sandpaper fish				TRUE
	undefined	Opistognathidae	<i>Opistognathus*</i>	<i>Opistognathus iyonis*</i>			3		
				<i>Opistognathus liturus*</i>	seto-amadai		2		
				<i>Opistognathus punctatus*</i>	finespotted jawfish		1		
				<i>Opistognathus sp.*</i>			1		
	Uranoscopiformes	Pinguipedidae	<i>Parapercis</i>	<i>Parapercis colias</i>	New Zealand blue cod	21		TRUE	TRUE
				<i>Parapercis decemfasciata</i>			10		
				<i>Parapercis gilliesii</i>	yellow weaver				TRUE
Chondrichthyes	Carcharhiniformes	Carcharhinidae	<i>Prionace</i>	<i>Prionace glauca</i>	blue shark			TRUE	
		Scyliorhinidae	<i>Cephaloscyllium</i>	<i>Cephaloscyllium isabellum</i>		4			TRUE
		Triakidae	<i>Galeorhinus</i>	<i>Galeorhinus galeus</i>	tope shark	2			
			<i>Mustelus</i>	<i>Mustelus lenticulatus</i>	spotted estuary smooth-hound	1			
				<i>Mustelus manazo</i>	starspotted smooth-hound		1		
	Hexanchiformes	Hexanchidae	<i>Notorynchus</i>	<i>Notorynchus cepedianus</i>	broadnose sevengill shark	2	1		
	Lamniformes	Alopiidae	<i>Carcharodon</i>	<i>Carcharodon carcharias</i>	great white shark			TRUE	
			<i>Isurus</i>	<i>Isurus paucus</i>	shortfin mako shark			TRUE	
	Squaliformes	Squalidae	<i>Squalus</i>	<i>Squalus acanthias</i>	spiny dogfish	2		TRUE	TRUE
				<i>Squalus suckleyi</i>	Puget Sound dogfish		3		