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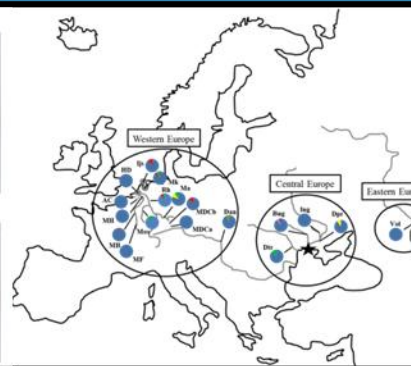
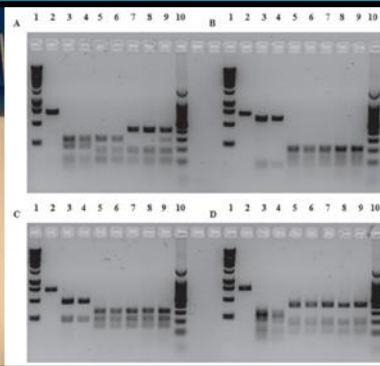
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# Invasion of Western Europe by the Quagga mussel *Dreissena rostriformis bugensis*

## Phylogeography, population genetics and potential risk assessment



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# Introduction

Waterways are conducive to biological invasions



Disturbed habitats



Canals



Ports





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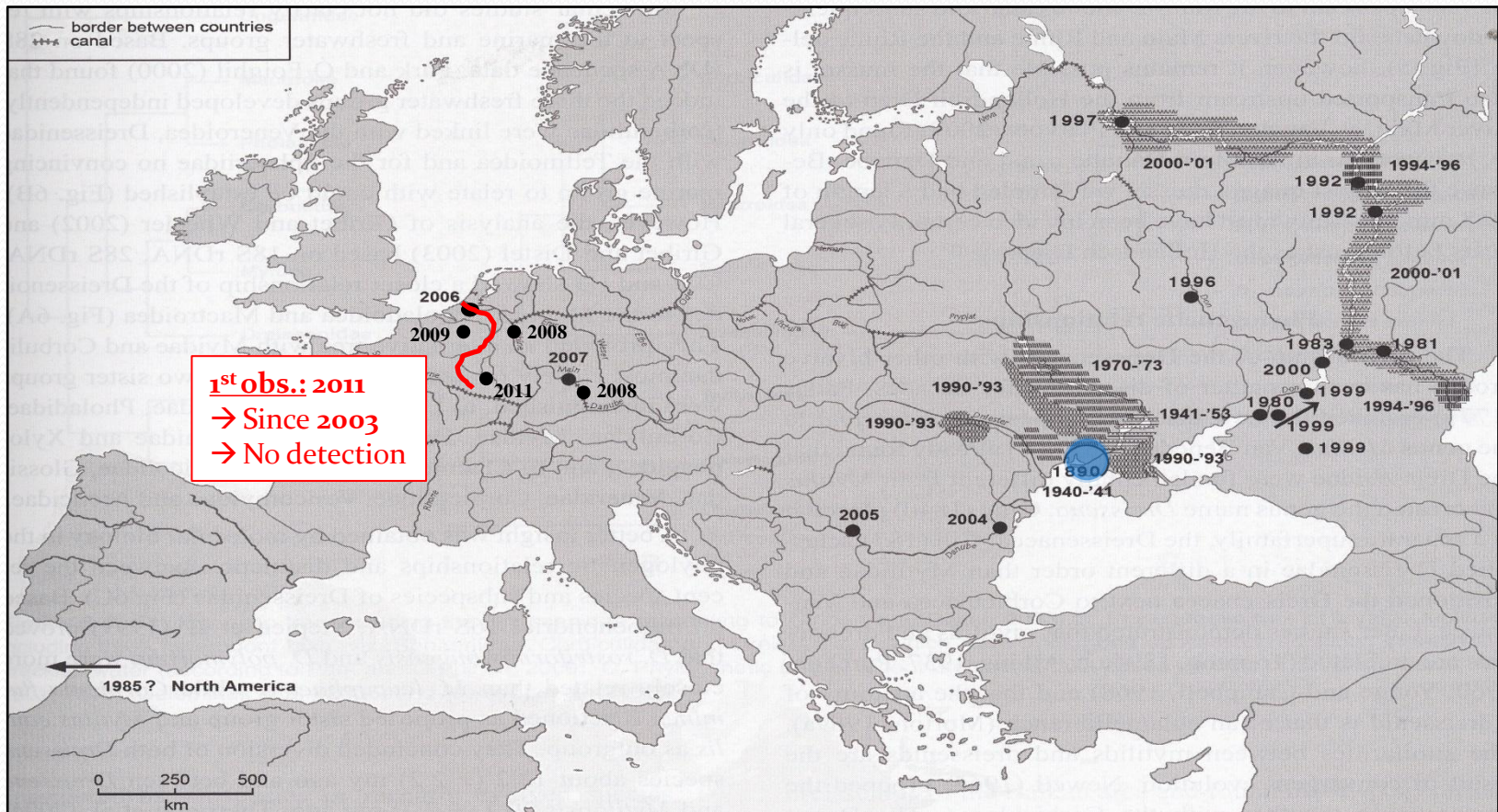
- Zebra mussel (*Dreissena polymorpha*)





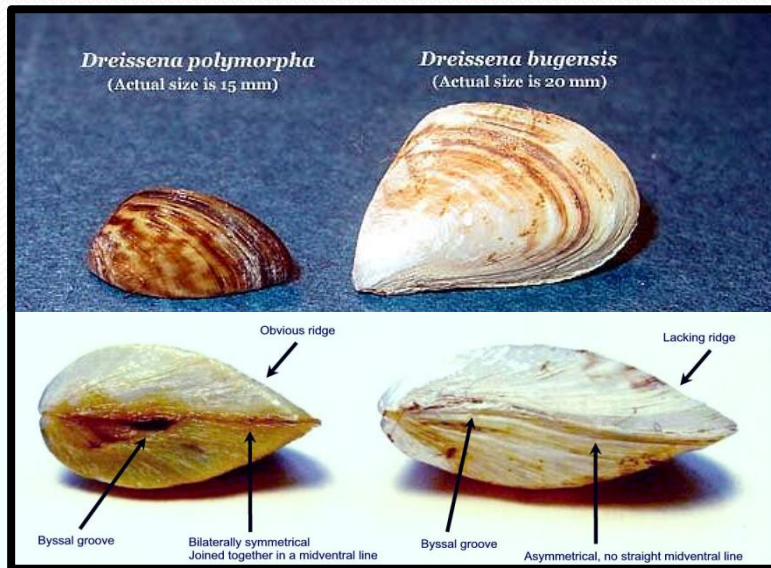
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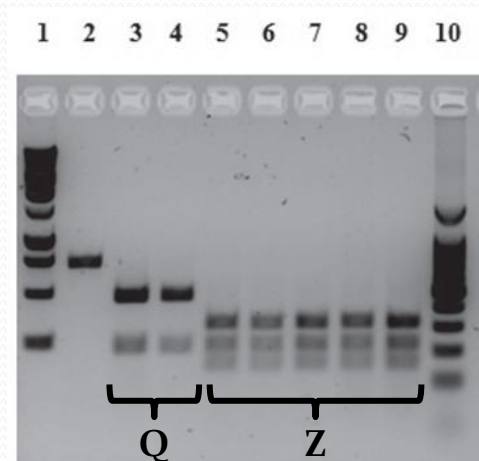


# Introduction

- Zebra VS Quagga



US Geological Survey



RFLP on the *COI*  
gene using  
endonuclease  
NlaIII

Marescaux and  
Van Doninck (2014)

# Part I: Colonisation pathways

- Hypothesis

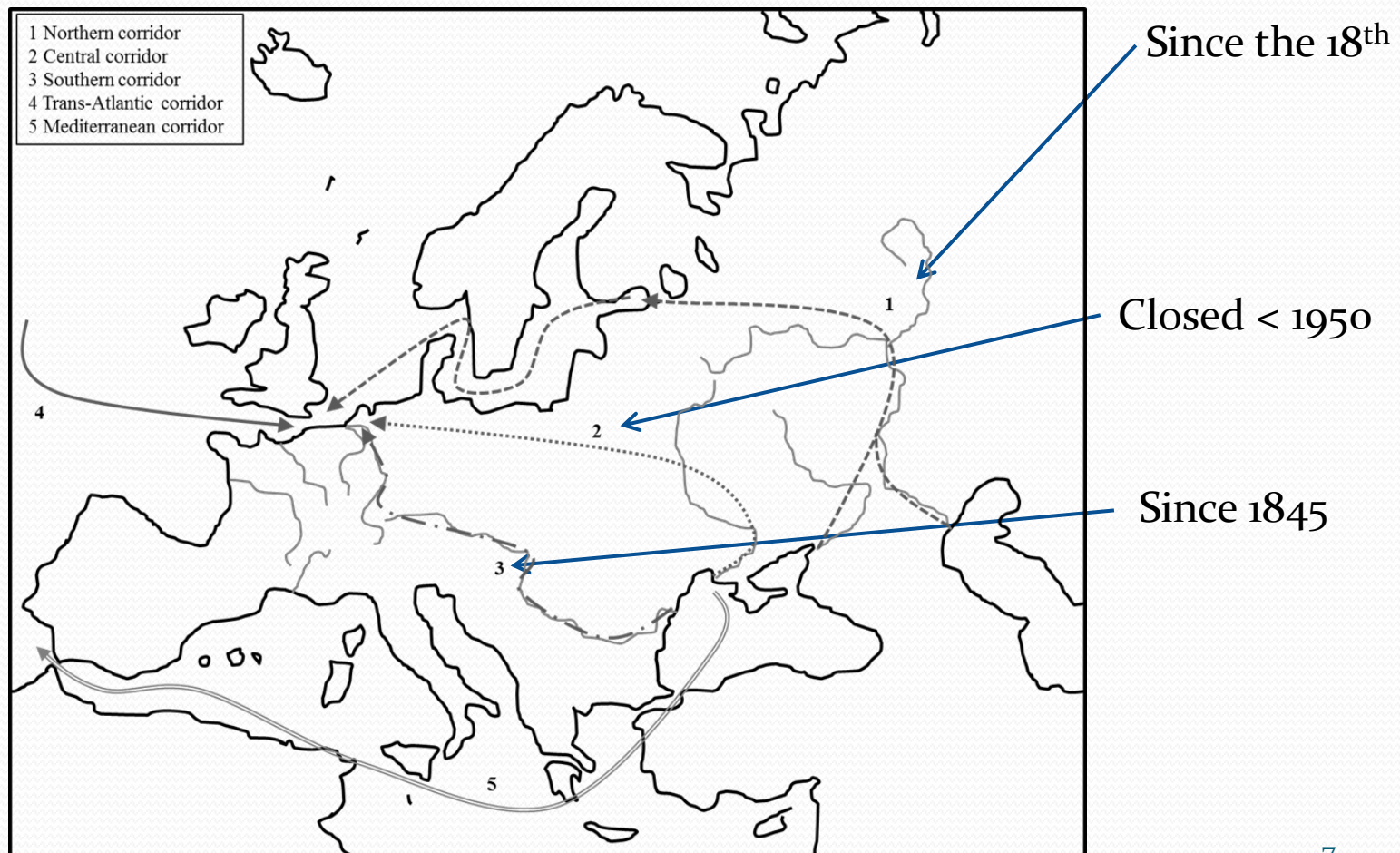
What were the colonisation pathways of the Quagga mussel in Western Europe?





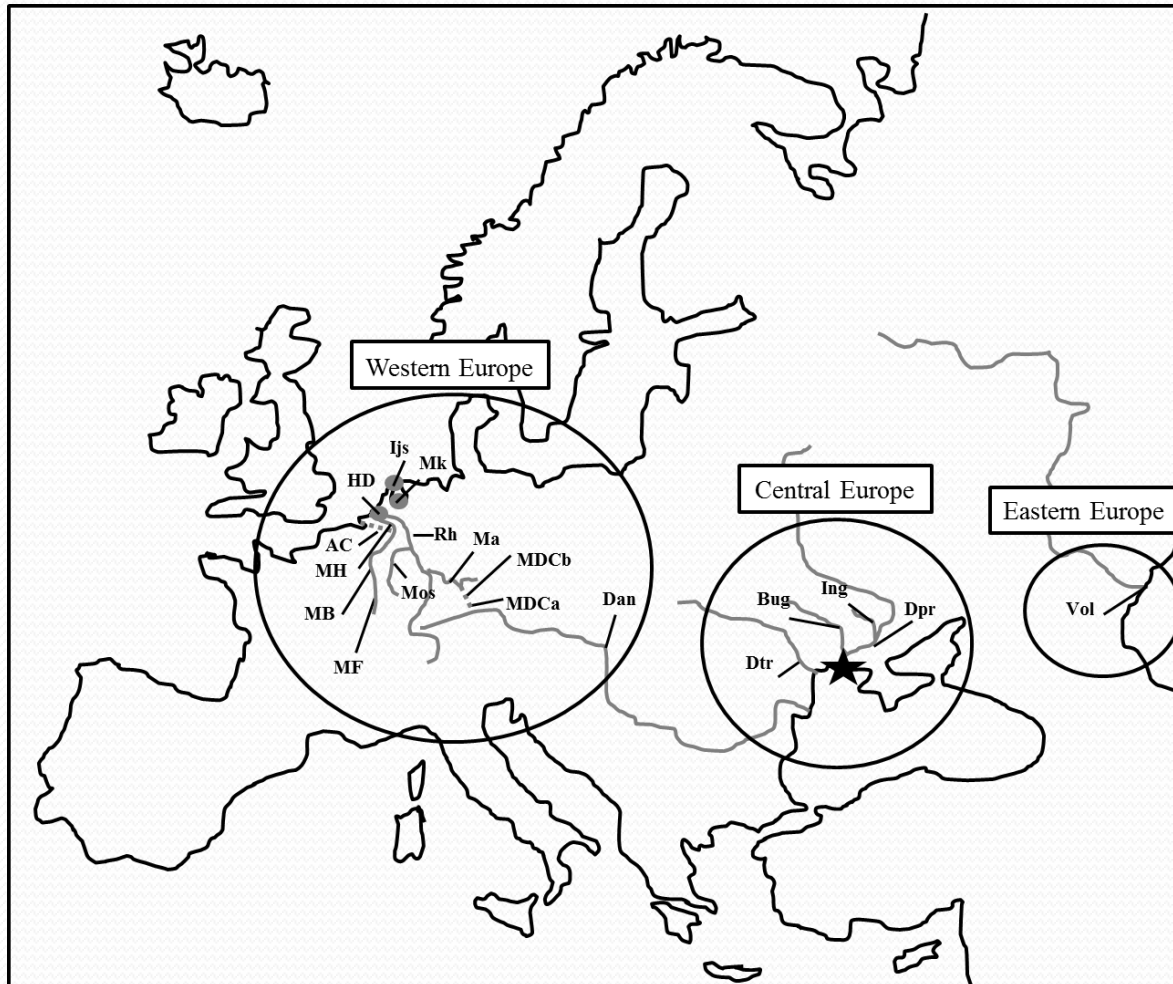
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# Part I: Colonisation pathways

- Material and Methods



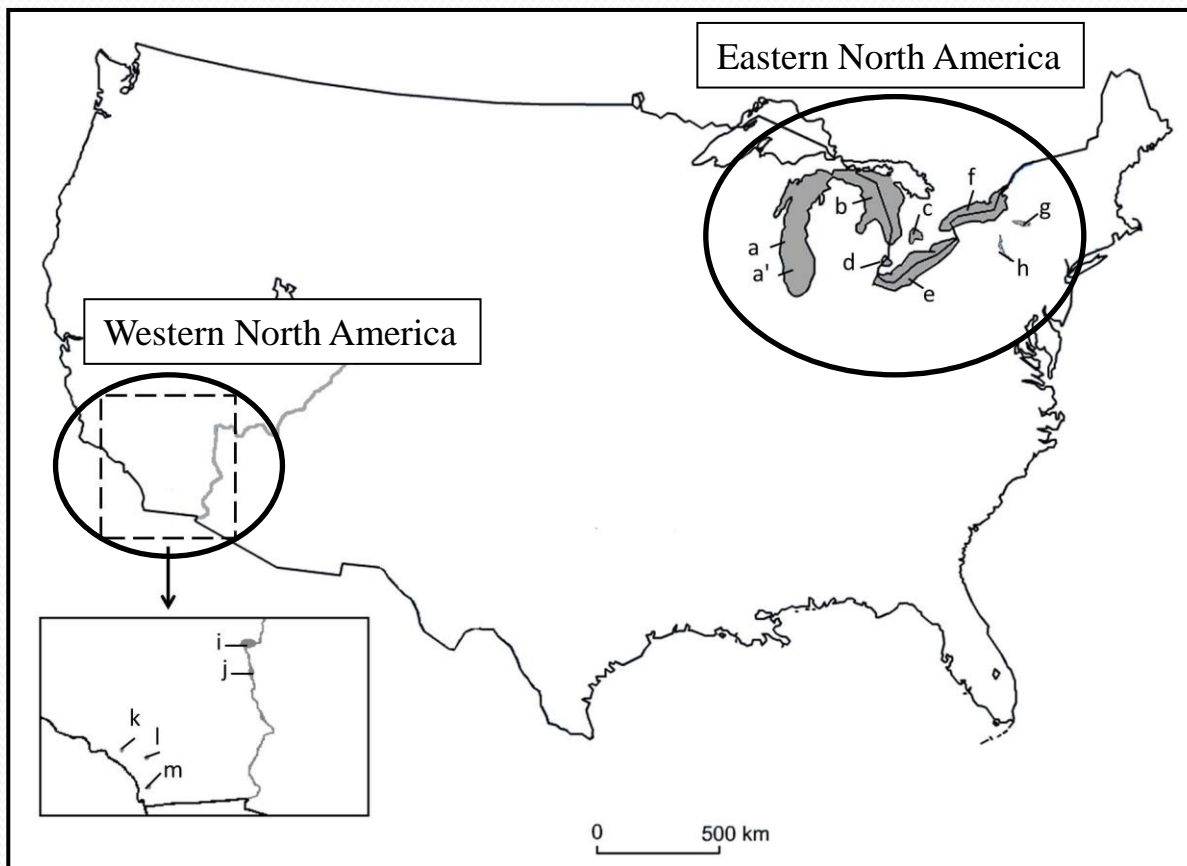
**The largest dataset  
compiled to date !**

The sampled localities  
cover the invasion range  
in both the Old ...



# Part I: Colonisation pathways

- Material and Methods



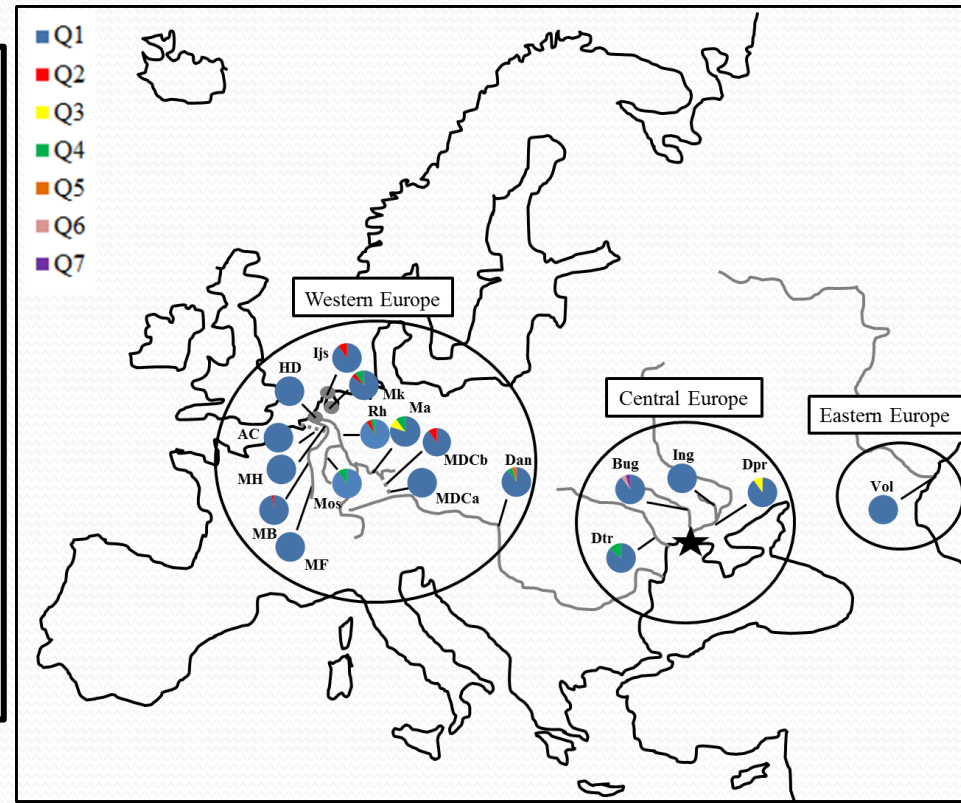
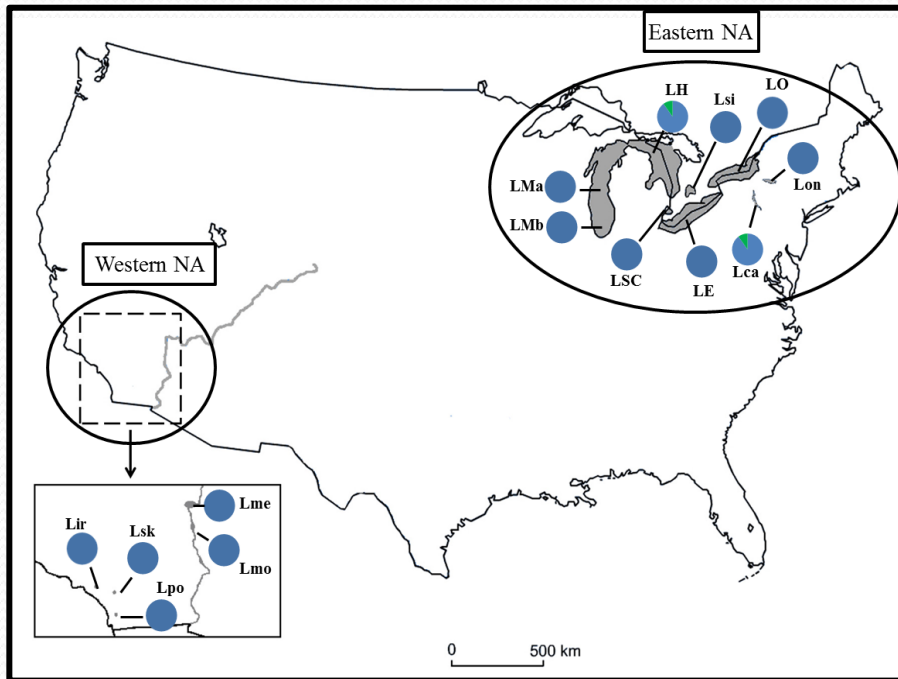
... and New World !

# Part I: Colonisation pathways

- Material and Methods
  - Sampling: 32 populations
  - COI mitochondrial gene screened on 573 individuals
  - 10 microsatellite loci tested on 599 individuals
    - Dbug 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 (*Wilson et al. 1999*)
    - Dbu 74, 75, 92, 93 and 110 (*Feldheim et al. 2011*)

# Part II: Colonisation pathways

- Results - COI sequencing



*D. rugosus* populations sampled across Europe and North America and haplogroup distribution map of the COI mitochondrial gene (Q<sub>1</sub> to Q<sub>7</sub>). The black circles correspond to meta-populations and the black star indicates the native area.



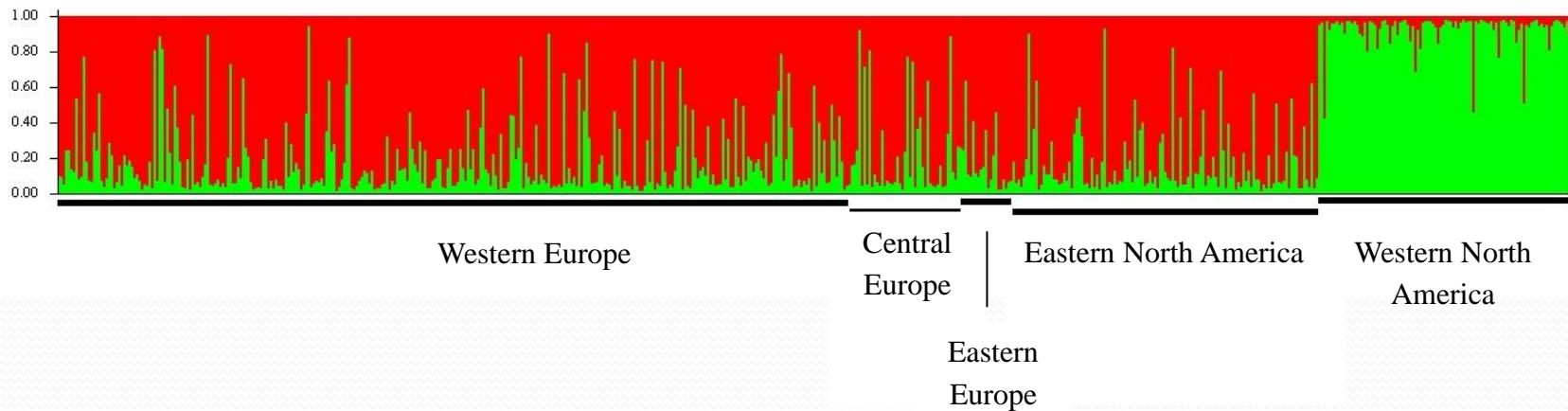
# Part I: Colonisation pathways

- Results - *Microsatellite analysis*
  - 390 alleles from 10 loci
  - High genetic diversity
  - Low divergence between populations

**High genetic dynamism**

# Part I: Colonisation pathways

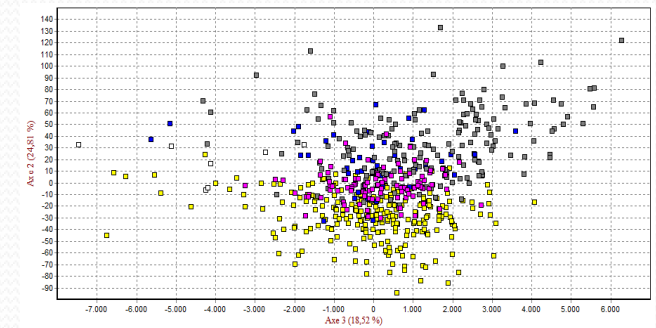
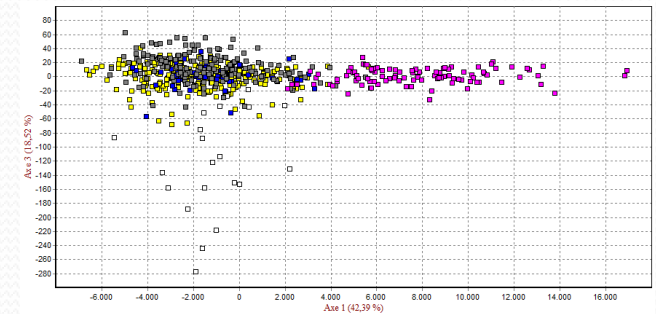
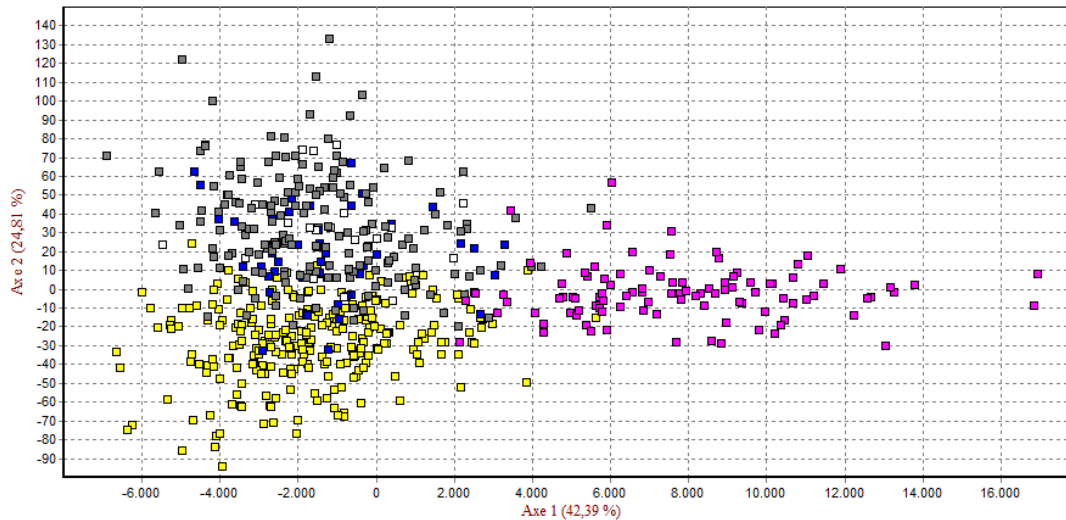
- Results - Genetic relatedness



Genetic clusters determined by a Bayesian STRUCTURE analysis on microsatellite data for quagga mussel populations. Each individual is represented by a vertical bar displaying membership coefficient to each genetic population. Analysis discerned 2 genetic clusters ( $K=2$ ).

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- Results - Genetic relatedness



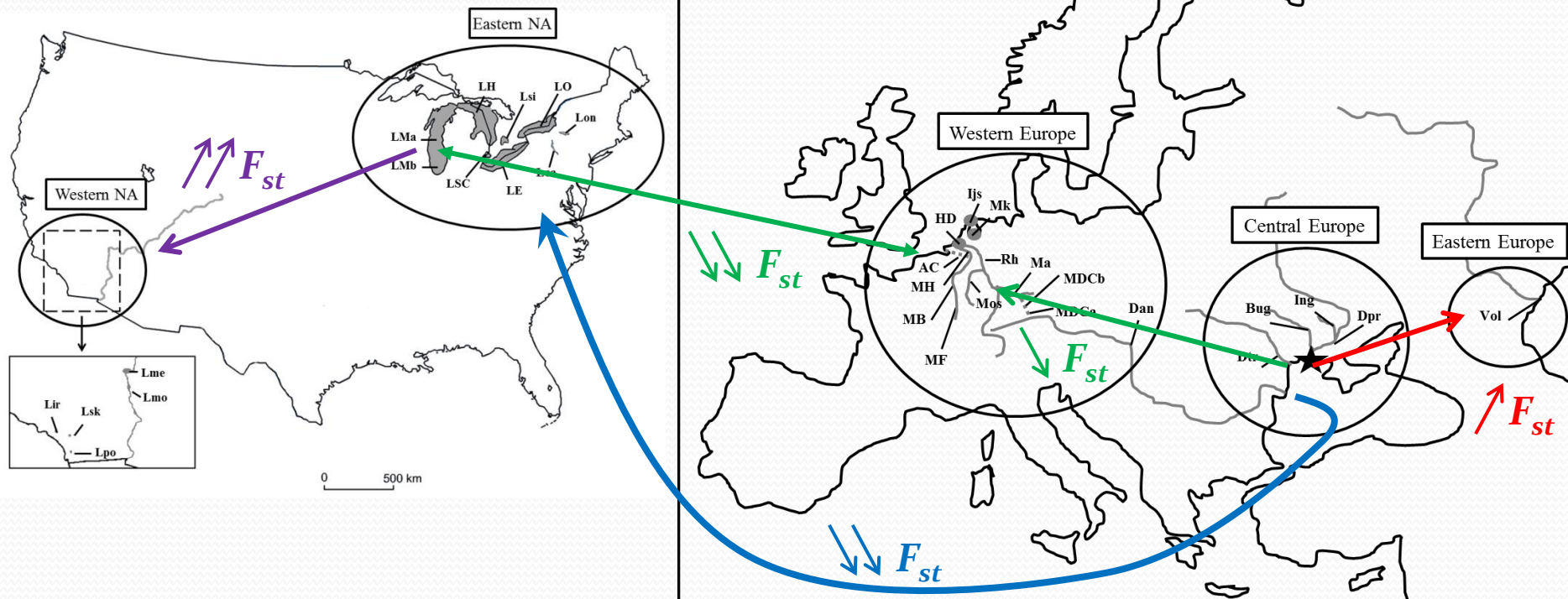
Factorial Correspondence Analysis on microsatellite data of the Quagga mussel.

■ Western Europe, ■ Central Europe, □ Eastern Europe, ■ Eastern North America, ■ Western North America



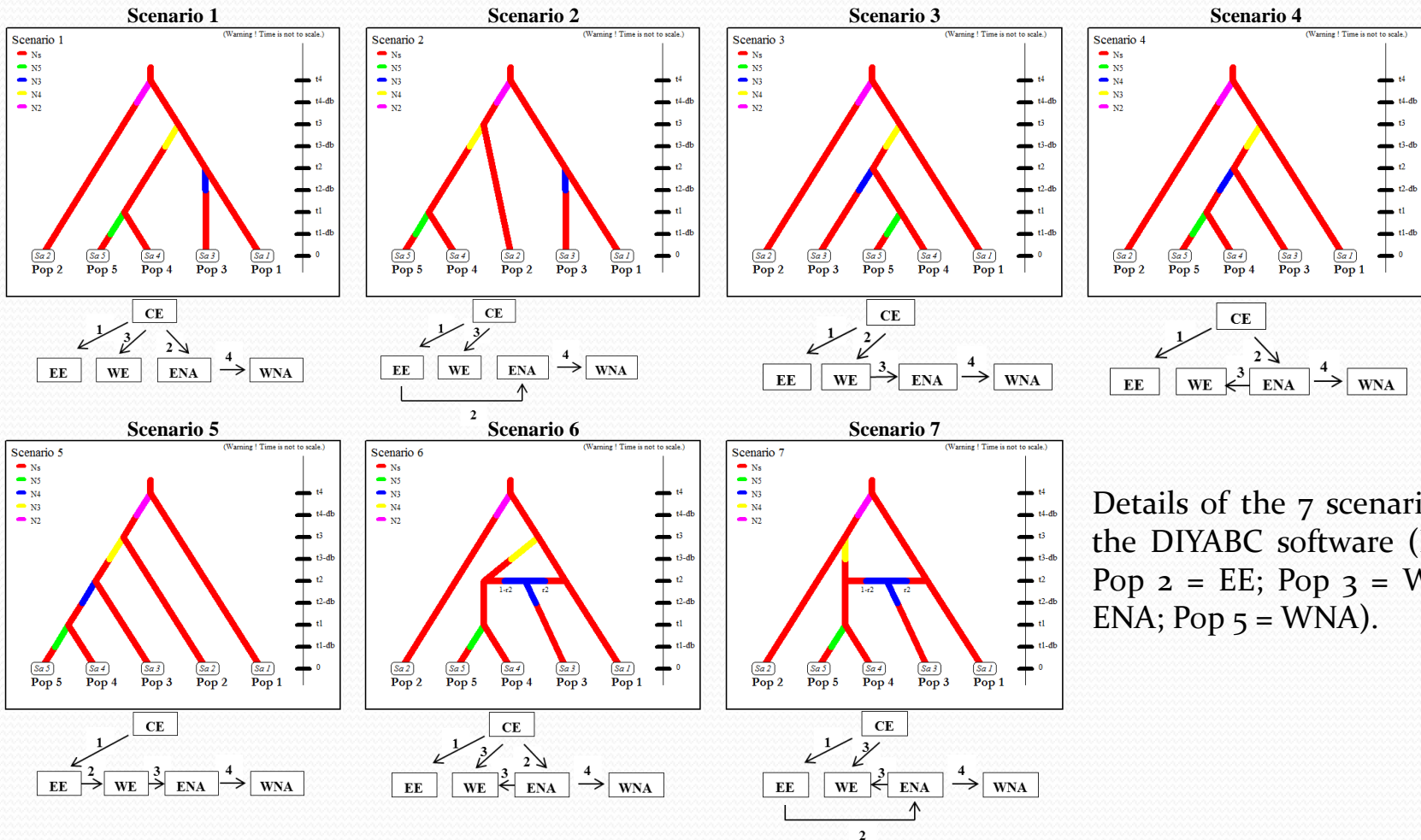
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- Results - Microsatellite analysis
  - High gene flow



# Part I: Colonisation pathways

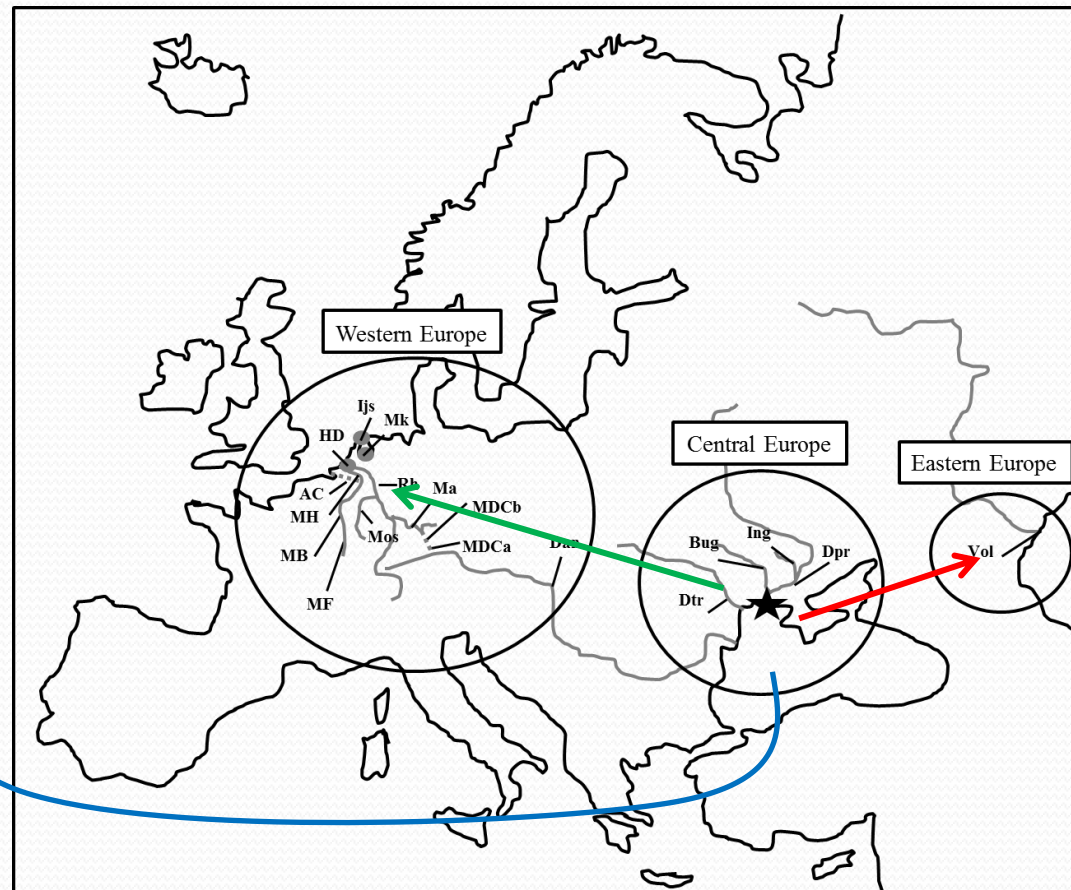
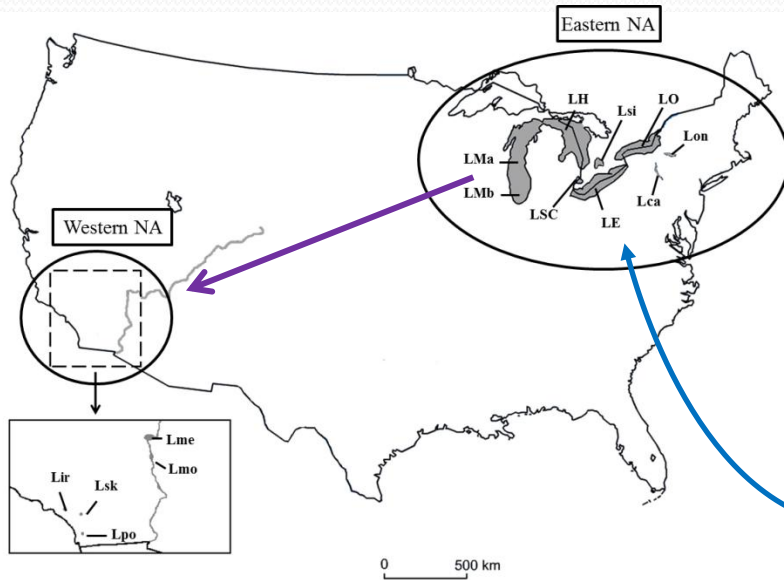
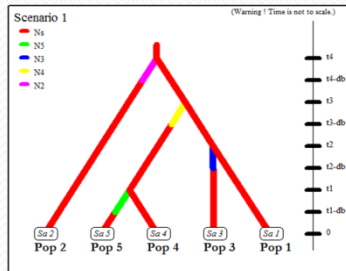
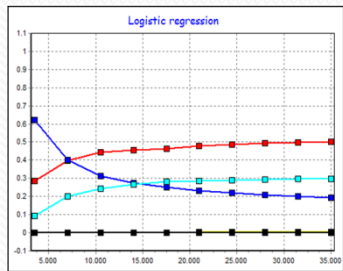
## • Results – Scenario testing (DIY-ABC)



Details of the 7 scenarios tested in the DIYABC software (Pop 1 = CE; Pop 2 = EE; Pop 3 = WE; Pop 4 = ENA; Pop 5 = WNA).

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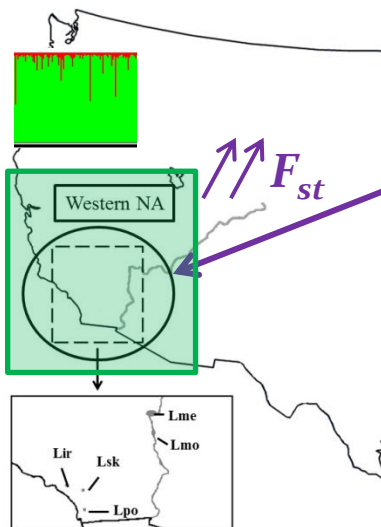
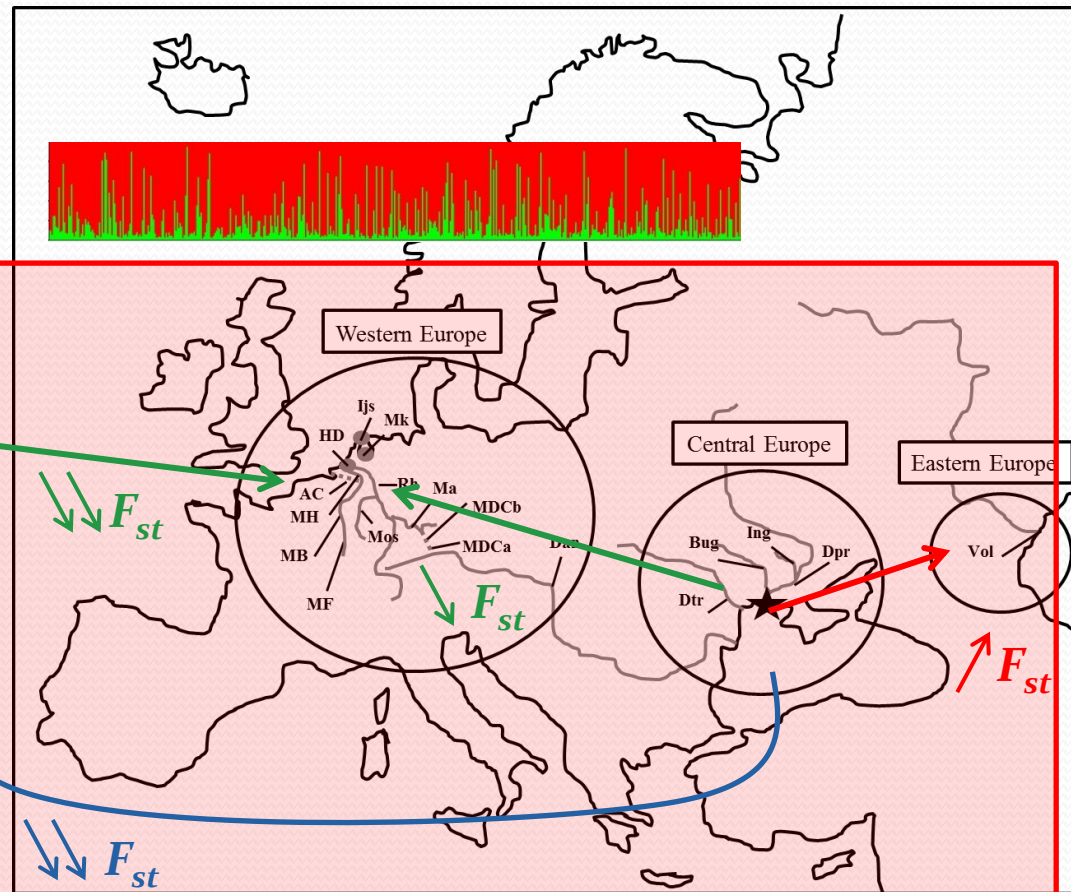
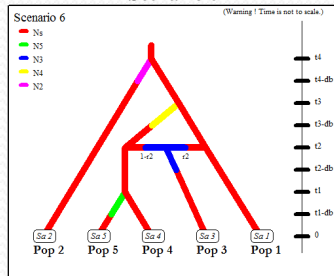
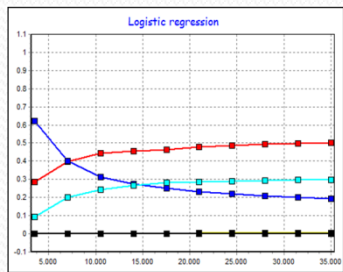
- Results and conclusion





# Part I: Colonisation pathways

- Results and conclusion



# Part II: Impact assessment

- Hypothesis

What are the impacts of invasive bivalves on the native fauna of European rivers?

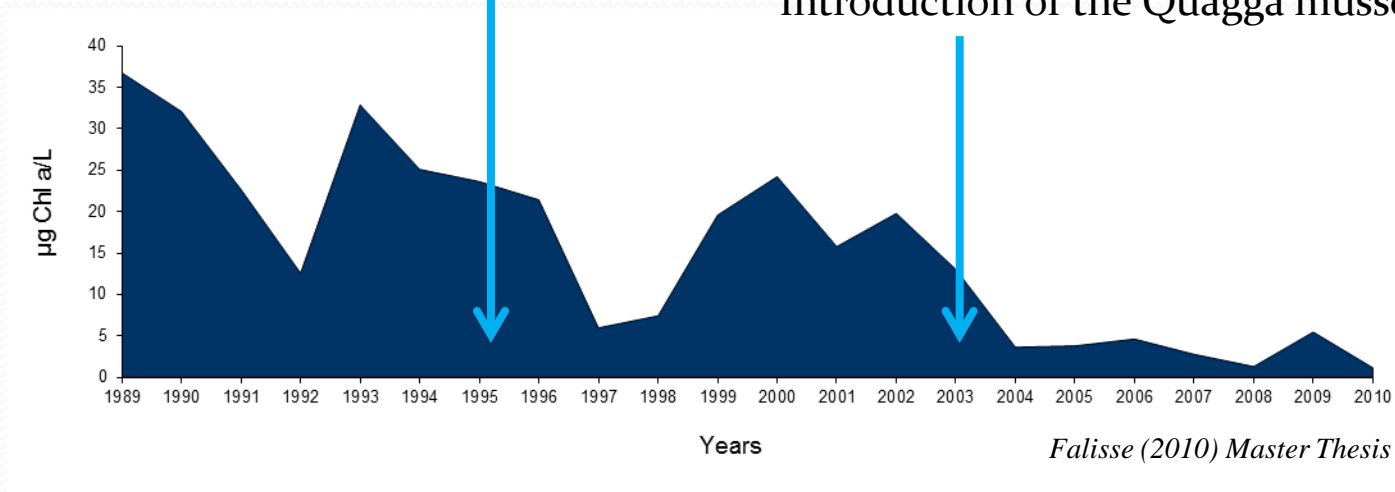


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- a) Phytoplankton decline in the Meuse River

Introduction of *Corbicula* clams and spread of the Zebra mussel

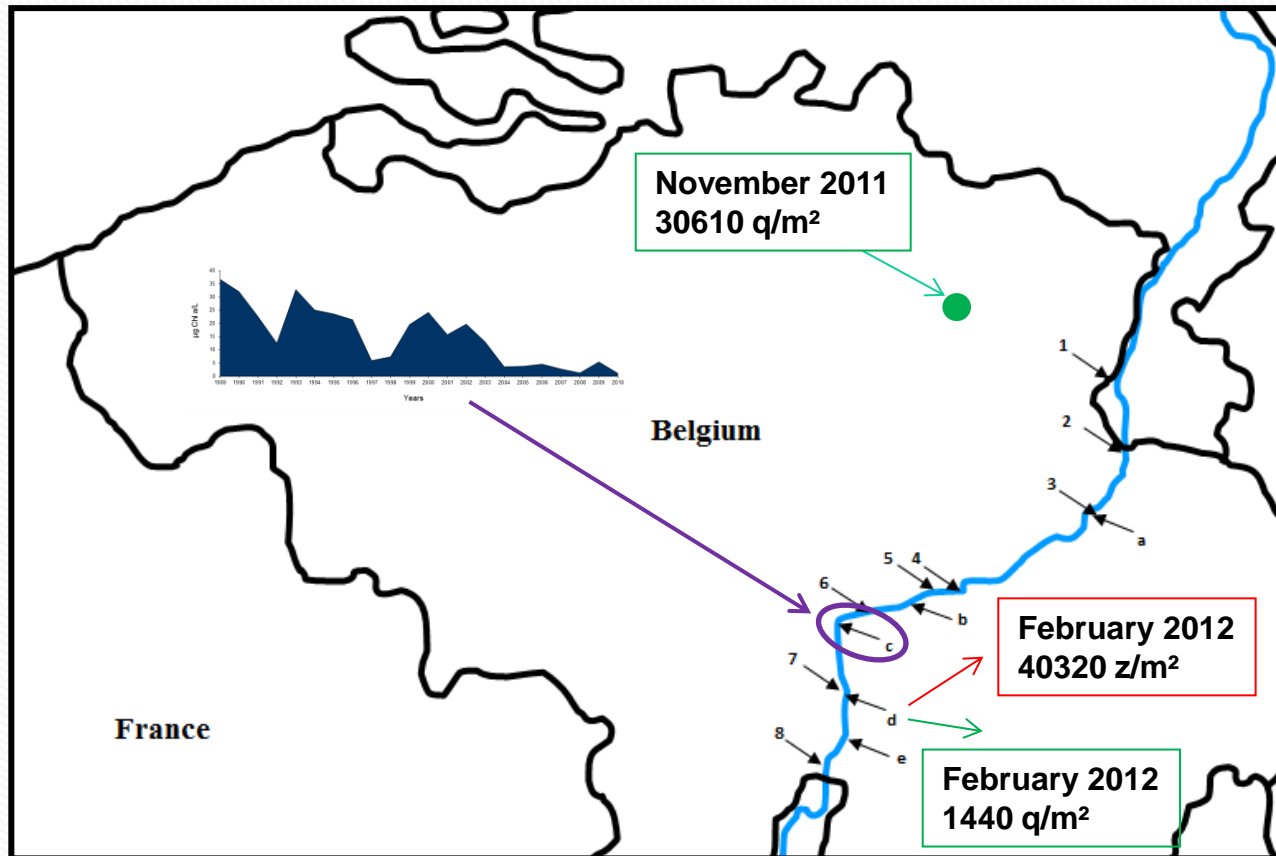
Introduction of the Quagga mussel



Related to densities and filtration rates

# Part II: Impact assessment

- a) Phytoplankton decline in the Meuse River
  - *Measurements of densities*



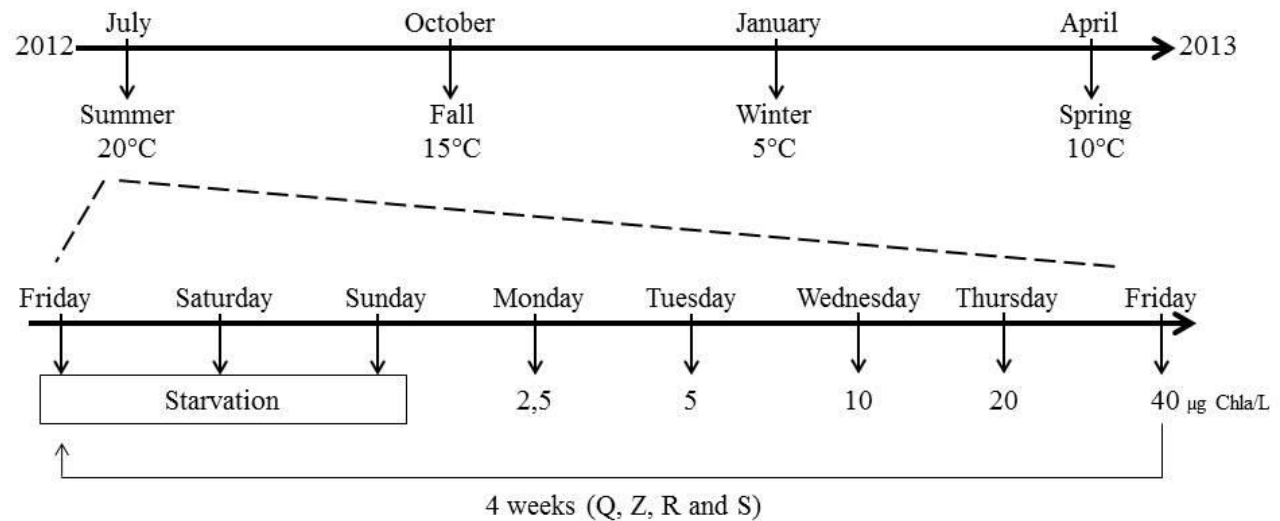
Every 3 months  
since  
November 2011

8 sites with  
natural substratum  
and  
5 fish ladders



# Part II: Impact assessment

- a) Phytoplankton decline in the Meuse River
  - *Measurements of filtration rates in laboratory facilities*




Triplicates + control  
8 individuals per palourdarium

# Part II : Impact assessment

- a) Phytoplankton decline in the Meuse River
  - Preliminary results
  - Mean filtration rate at 5, 15 and 20°C

<b>Mean filtration rate</b>	<b><u>Z</u></b>	<b><u>Q</u></b>	<b><u>C</u></b>
ml/ind.h	80	170	200
l/gC.d	135	50	40

 Based on observed densities, measured filtration rates and characteristics of the Meuse River, we estimate that 99% of the water column is filtered over 100 km !

# Part II : Impact assessment

- b) Native bivalves decline in the Meuse River

Station	N <sub>tot</sub> native mussels		N <sub>inf</sub> native mussels	N <i>Dreissena</i>
Amay	<i>Unio pictorum</i>	26	5	1 - 4
	<i>Unio crassus</i>	0	NA	NA
	<i>Pseudanodonta</i>	2	2	5 - 7
	<i>Anodonta</i>	0	NA	NA
Dave	<i>Unio pictorum</i>	142	80	1 - 28
	<i>Unio crassus</i>	0	NA	NA
	<i>Pseudanodonta</i>	6	5	1 - 37
	<i>Anodonta</i>	0	NA	NA
Godinne	<i>Unio pictorum</i>	101	22	1 - 11
	<i>Unio crassus</i>	0	NA	NA
	<i>Pseudanodonta</i>	1	1	3
	<i>Anodonta</i>	2	0	0
Dinant	<i>Unio pictorum</i>	11	4	1 - 4
	<i>Unio crassus</i>	6	5	1 - 6
	<i>Pseudanodonta</i>	0	NA	NA
	<i>Anodonta</i>	0	NA	NA
Anseremme	<i>Unio pictorum</i>	24	5	1 - 4
	<i>Unio crassus</i>	3	2	1 - 3
	<i>Pseudanodonta</i>	0	NA	NA
	<i>Anodonta</i>	0	NA	NA
Hastière	<i>Unio pictorum</i>	212	60	1 - 11
	<i>Unio crassus</i>	54	44	1 - 31
	<i>Pseudanodonta</i>	3	2	2 - 5
	<i>Anodonta</i>	0	NA	NA
	<b>Total</b>	<b>593</b>	<b>237 (±40%)</b>	



# Conclusion



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COMMISSION STAFF WORKING DOCUMENT  
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF THE IMPACT ASSESSMENT

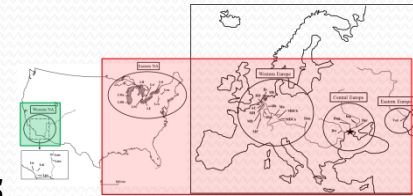
*Accompanying the document*

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

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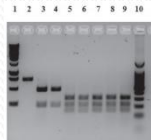
## I. Prevention

- High gene flow
- Lack of effective prevention strategies along invasion corridors



## II. Early warning and rapid response

- Remained undetected during at least 10 years
- Effective detection tools



## III. Management

- Well known impacts
- *Dreissena carinata* and *Dreissena bugensis*







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