Abundance and α-diversity

October 18, 2019

Count Data

	OTU 1	OTU 2	…	Meta 1	Meta 2	…
Sample 1						
Sample 2						
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Sample N						

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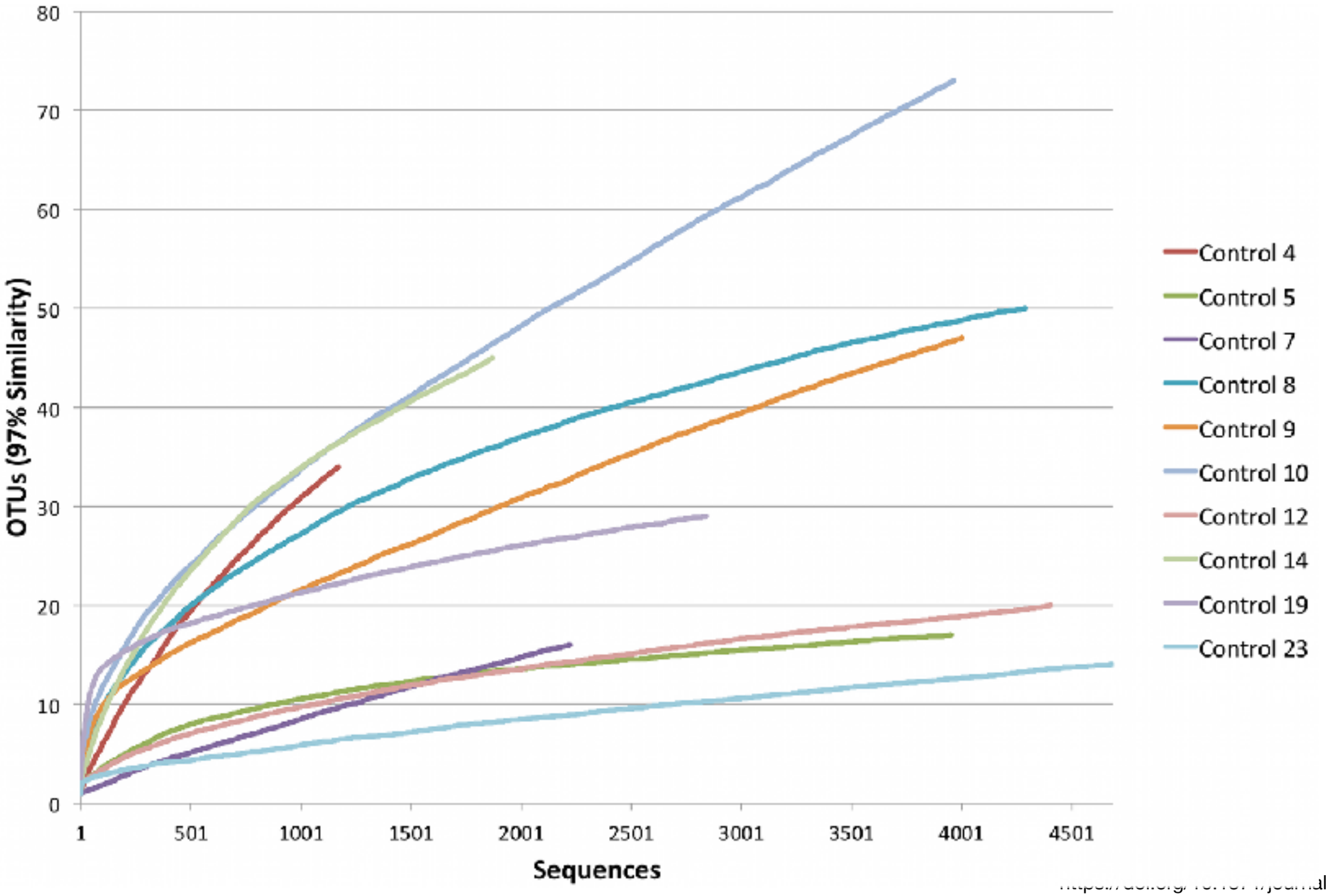
Exploratory Analysis and Quality Control

Collector's Curves (aka rarefaction)



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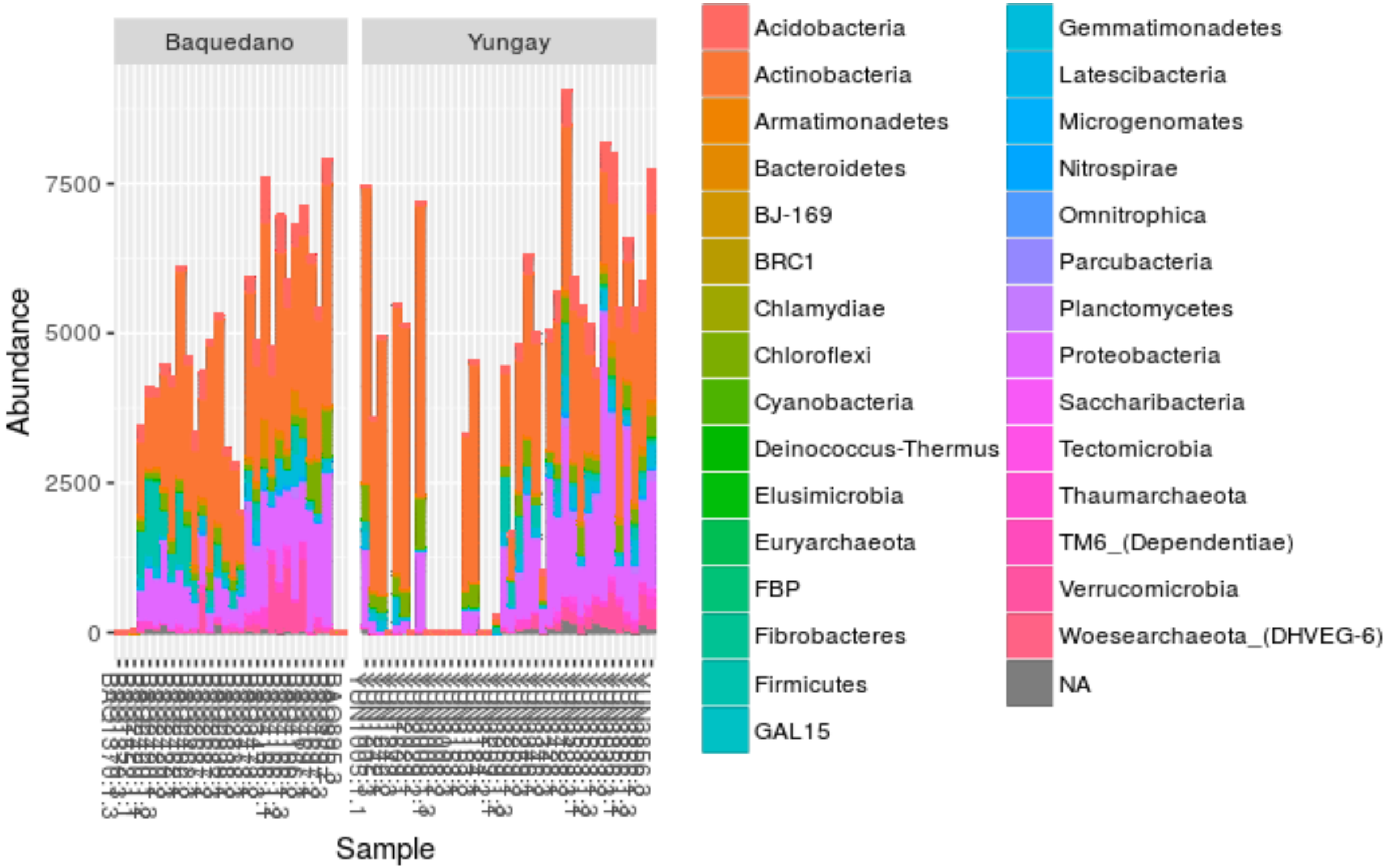

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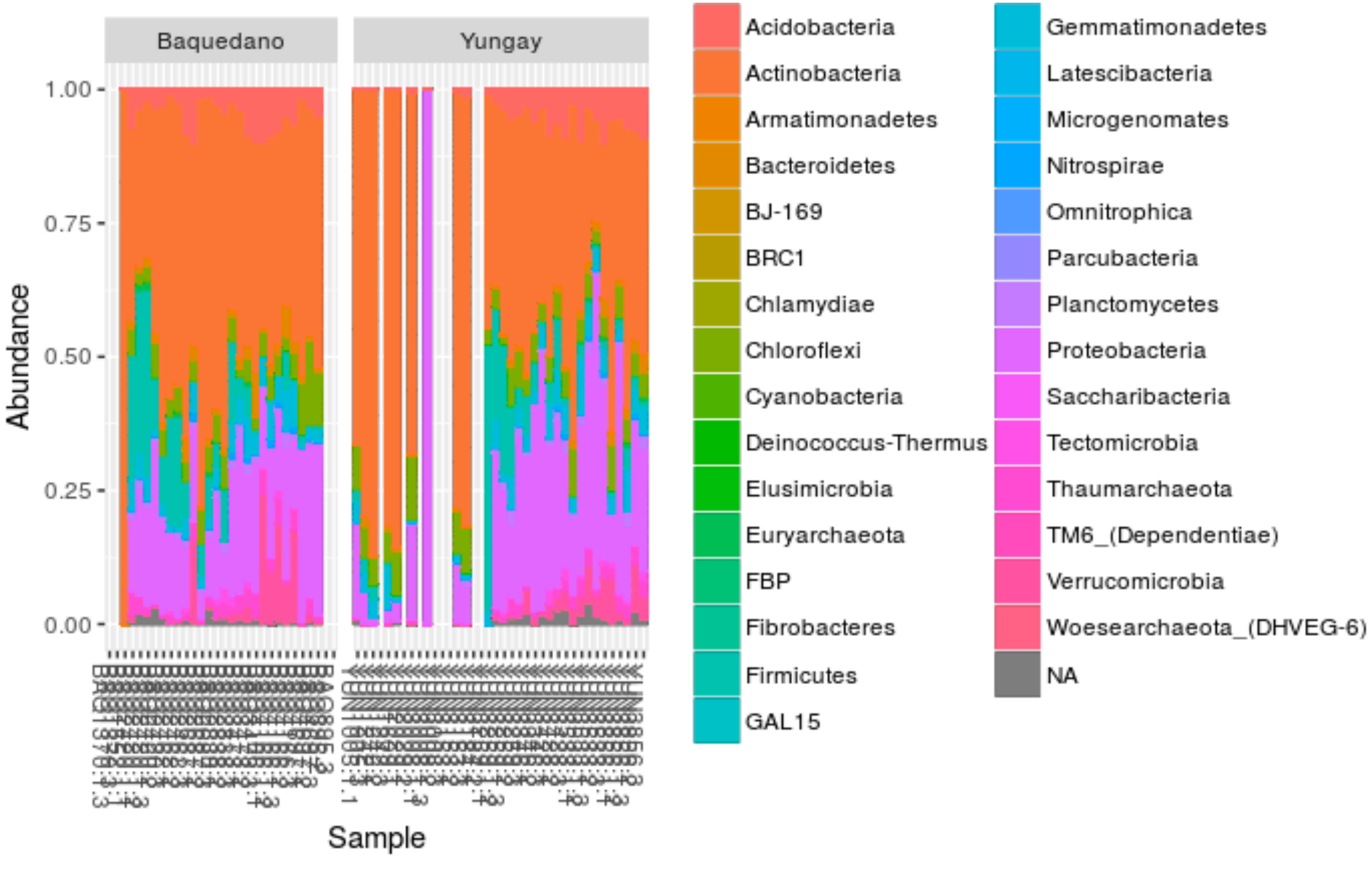

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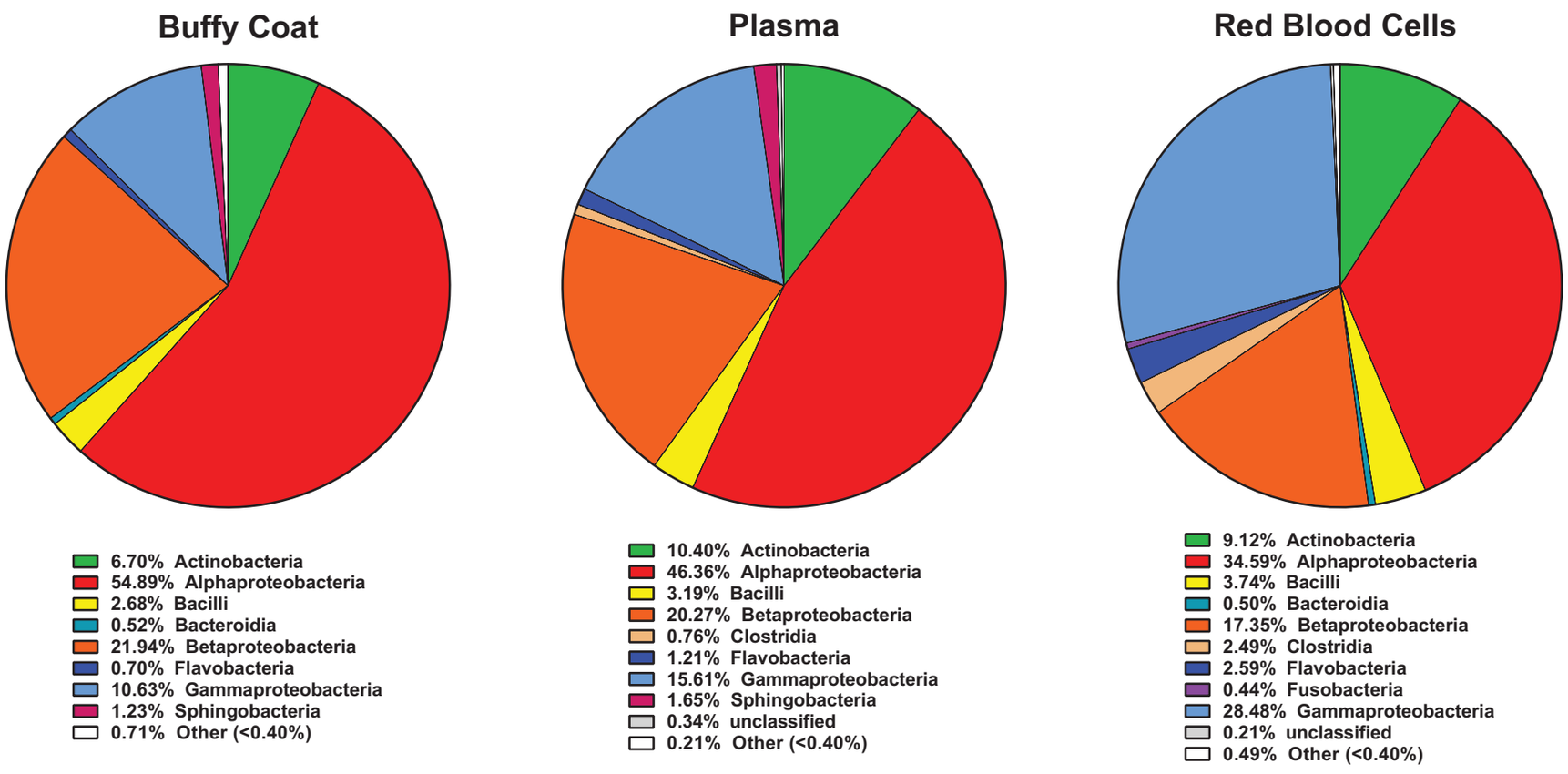

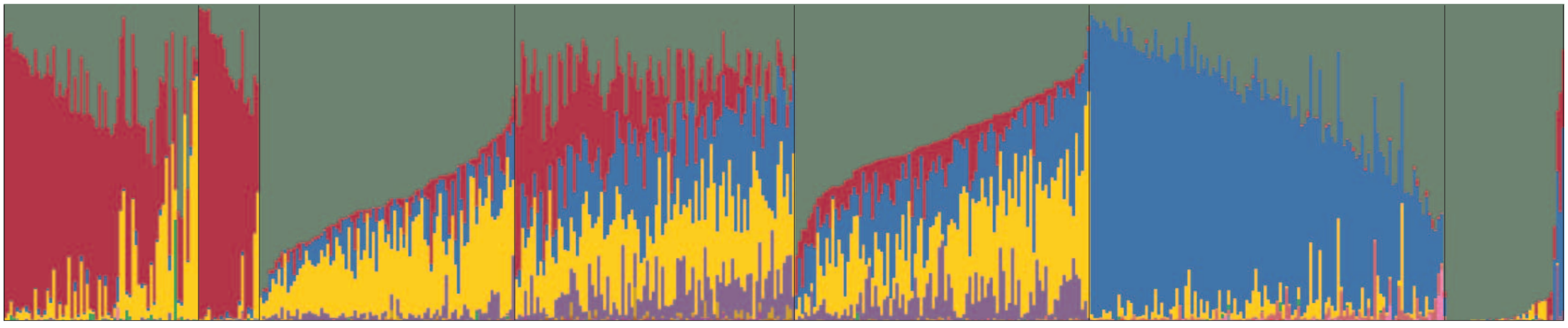

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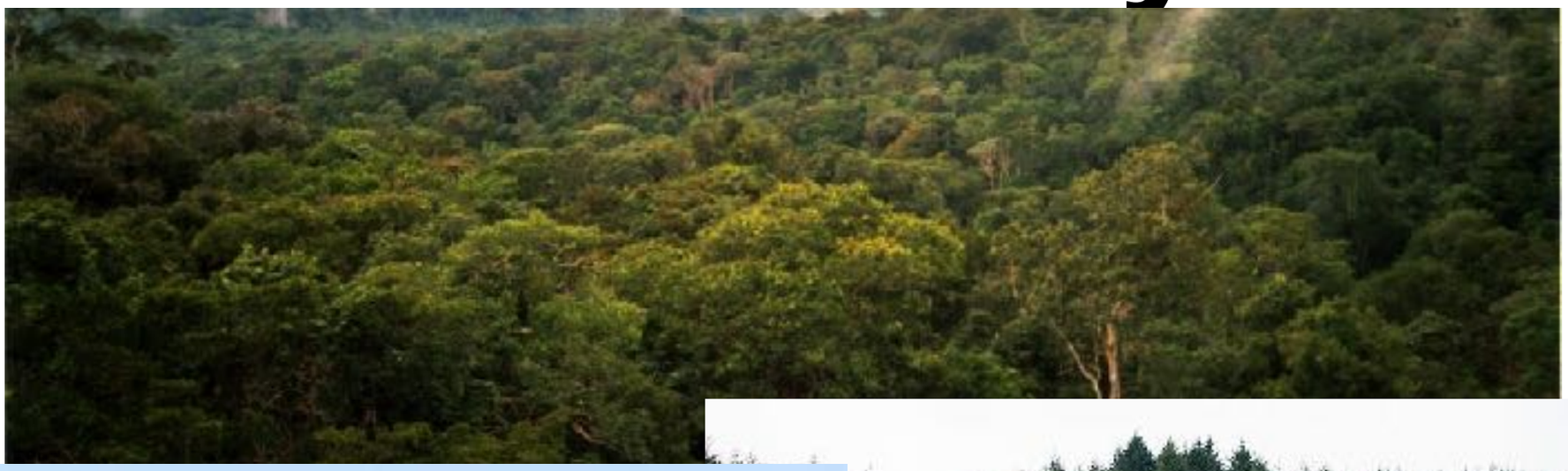

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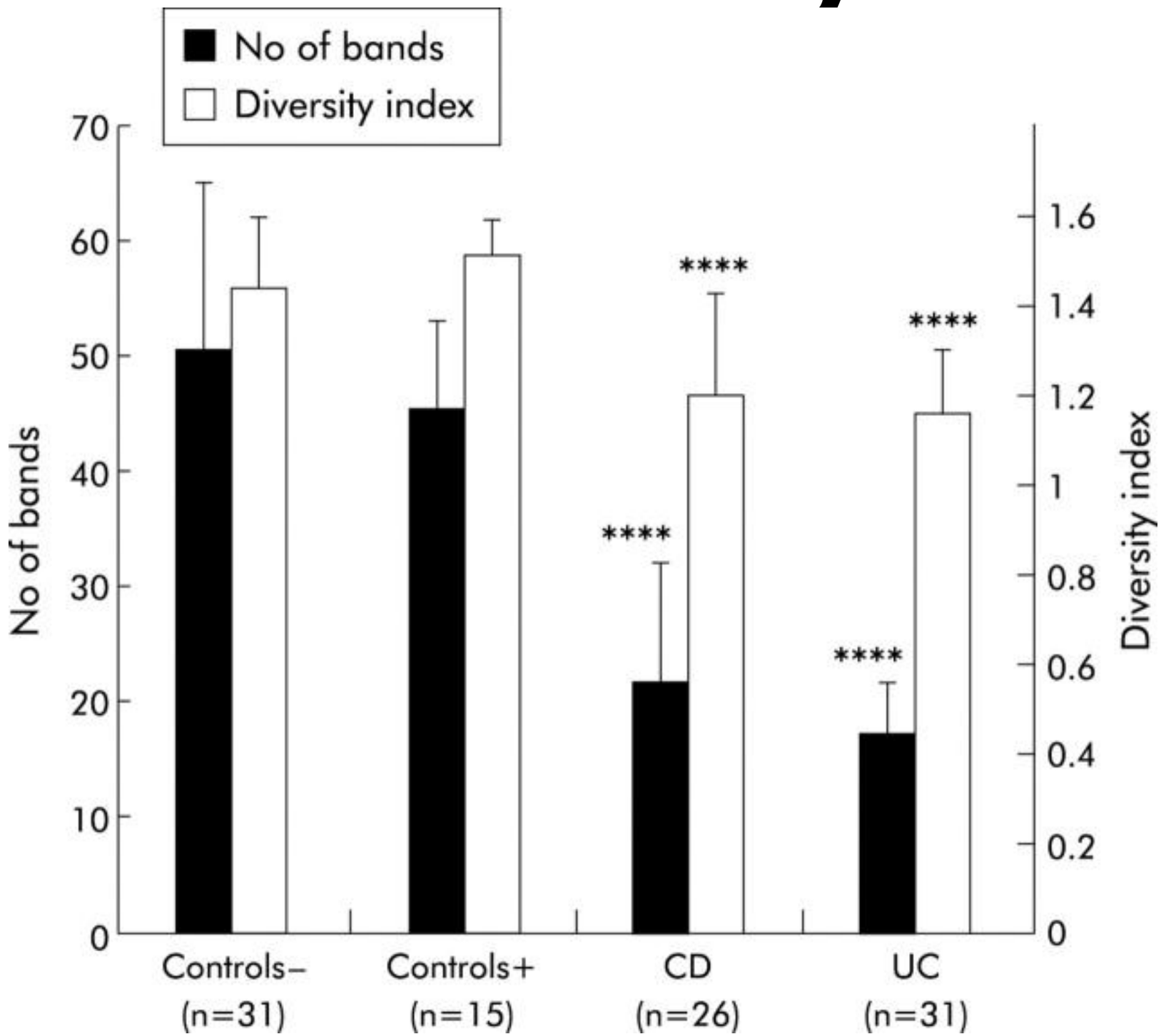

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Alpha Diversity

- Diversity within a sample
  - Richness: number of different species
  - Evenness: distribution of species (i.e. relative abundance)

Richness

Richness: 5

Richness: 10

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Eveness

Richness: 5

Richness: 5

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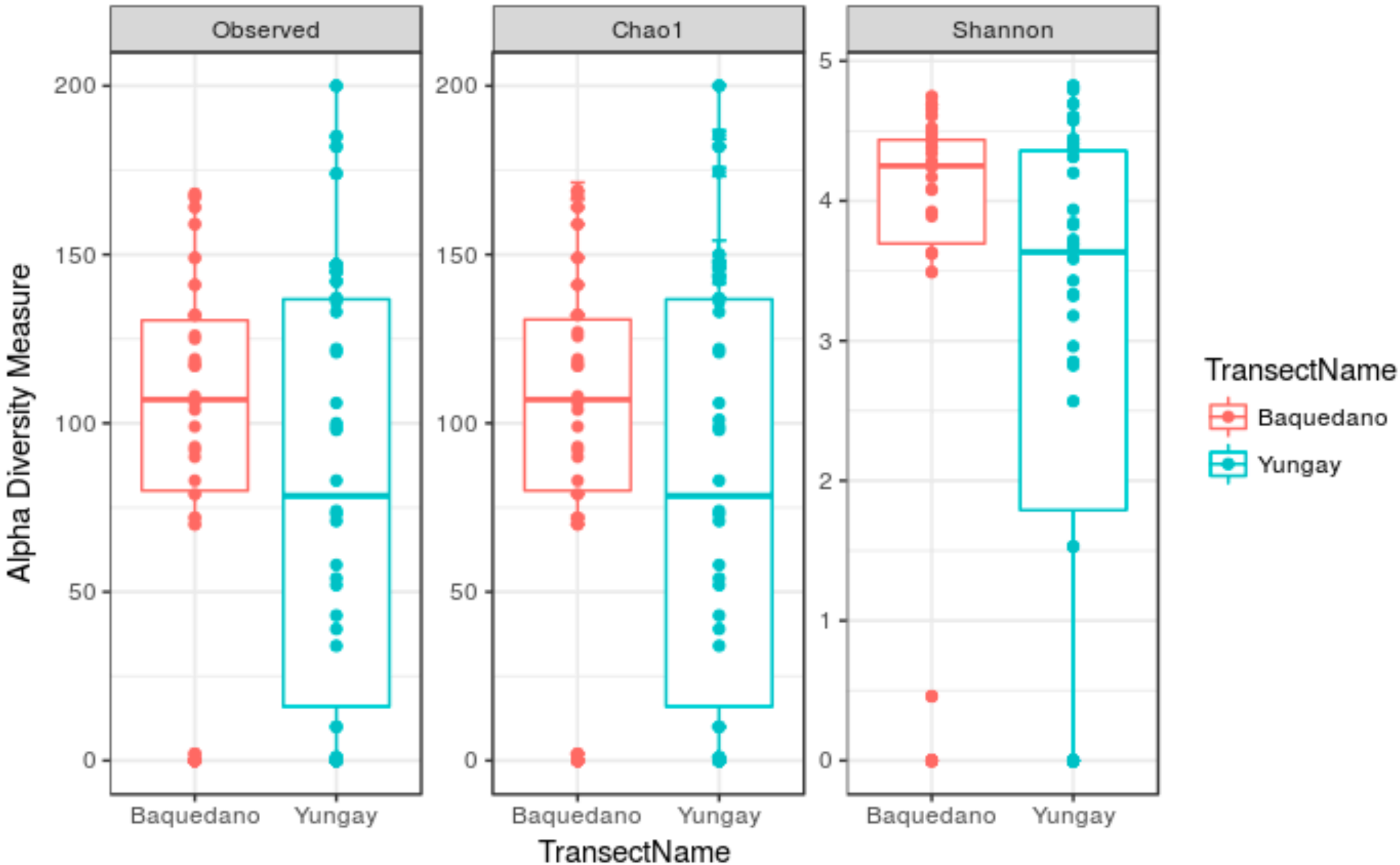
Alpha Diversity Metrics



Alpha Diversity Metrics

- Observed Richness

Counting

- Shannon (entropy)
- Simpson

Gambling

- Chao1
- ACE (abundance-based coverage estimators)

Weirdos

Gambling Metrics

- Jar with 8 balls
  - Shannon: How much would you bet that a randomly selected ball is red?
  - Simpson: How much would you bet that two randomly selected balls are the same color?

	Jar 1	Jar 2	Jar 3	Jar 4
Red	8	5	2	1
Yellow	0	1	2	2
Green	0	1	2	2
Blue	0	1	2	3
Total	8	8	8	8

Weirdo Metrics

- Chao1: How many species are present, and how many are observed only once or twice?
- ACE: How many species are present, and how many are observed less than 10 times?