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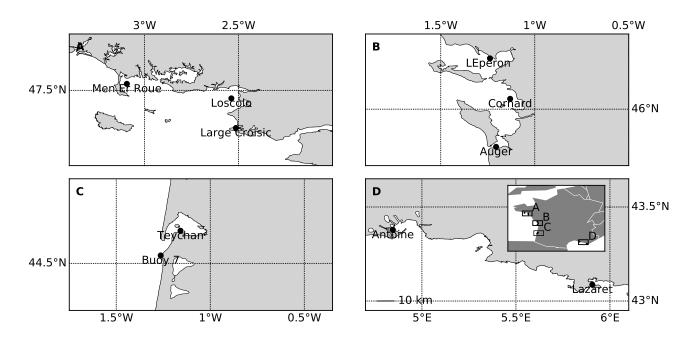


Figure 1: Map of the studied sites

Code	Taxa				
AST	Asterionella+Asterionellopsis+Asteroplanus				
CHA	Chaetoceros				
CRY	Cryptophytes				
DIT	Ditylum				
EUG	Euglenophytes				
GUI	Guinardia				
GYM	Gymnodinium+Gyrodinium				
LEP	Leptocylindrus				
NIT	Nitzschia+Hantzschia				
PLE	Pleurosigma+Gyrosigma				
PRO	Prorocentrum				
PRP	Protoperidinium+Archaeperidinium+Peridinium				
PSE	Pseudo-nitzschia				
RHI	Rhizosolenia+Neocalyptrella				
SCR	Scrippsiella+Ensiculifera+Pentapharsodinium+Bysmatrum				
SKE	Skeletonema				
THL	Thalassionema+Lioloma				
THP	Thalassiosira+Porosira				

Table 1: Name and composition of the phytoplanktonic groups used in the paper, based on 1

Name of site	Location	Region	Number of points? <sup>1</sup>	Temperature	Sali
Men Er Roue	47°32′5″ N / 3°5′37″ W	Brittany	503	3.8-22.2 (14.4 +/- 3.7)	20.1-38 (33
Loscolo	47°27'27" N / 2°32'18" W	Brittany	463	5.7-22.4 (14.9 +/- 4.0)	14.0-36.8 (3
Croisic	47°18'0" N / 2°30'51" W	Brittany	500	4.8-28.9 (14.7 +/- 3.9)	14.7-37.6 (3)
L'Eperon	46°16'13" N / 1°14'16" W	Oléron	460	$3.0 - 26.0 \ (15.3 + / - 4.8)$	13.0-36.6 (3
Cornard	46°3'19" N / 1°7'50" W	Oléron	491	$3.1-29.2 \ (15.6 +/- 4.8)$	19.0-38.1 (3
Auger	45°47'59" N / 1°12"19" W	Oléron	524	3.0-24.5 (15.4 +/- 4.4)	23.9-36.0 (3
Buoy7	44°32'32" N / 1°15'49" W	Arcachon	311	7.2-23.9 (15.2 +/- 3.8)	31.8-36.1 (3
Teychan	44°40'25" N / 1°9'31" W	Arcachon	494	5.5-25.2 (15.5 + /- 4.6)	20.6-35.8 (33
Antoine	43°22'41" N / 4°50'45" E	Mediterranean Sea	539	4.6-30.0 (16.8 +/- 5.1)	26.8-38.9 (32
Lazaret	43°5'14" N / 5°54'23" E	Mediterranean Sea	512	8.7-29.2 (17.4 +/- 4.2)	21.6-39.6 (3

Table 2: Attempt of summary for our locations; should we add the species for each region?

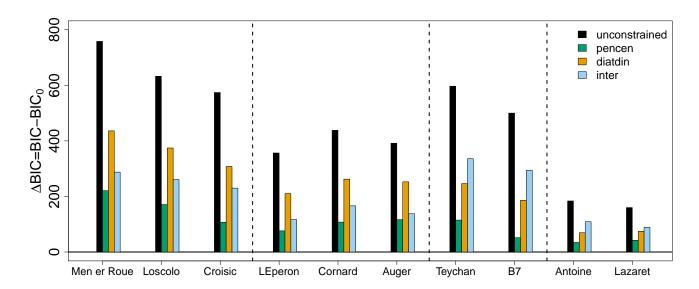


Figure 2: Comparison of BIC with different interaction matrices, compared to the null model (diagonal interaction matrix, allowing only intragroup interactions), for four different sites separated by dashed lines (Brittany, Oléron, Arcachon and Mediterranean Sea) and 10 different subsites. Different interaction matrices may allow all interactions between taxa (unconstrained), only interactions within pennate diatoms, centric diatoms, dinoflagellates, or other phytoplanktonic taxa (pencen), only interactions within diatoms, dinoflagellates or other taxa (diatdin), or only interactions between taxa belonging to these different groups. As model structures (length of the times series taken into account) are different between sites and subsites, groups of bars should not be compared.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>From 1996, without linear interpolation

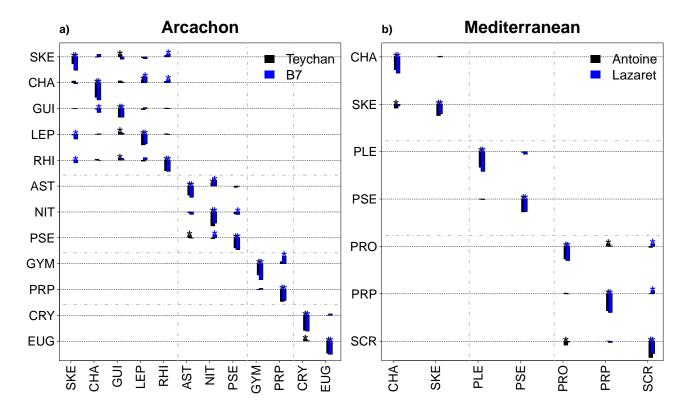


Figure 3: Interaction matrices estimated in Arcachon (a) and in the Mediterranean Sea (b). Only interactions between clades (pennate and centric diatoms, dinoflagellates, other planktonic taxa) are allowed. The figure should be read as taxon i having effect  $e_{ji}$  on taxon j. The scale for the coefficient values is given at the bottom left of panel a). 95% significance of coefficients was determined by bootstrapping and is marked by asterisks (\*). The identity matrix was subtracted to the interaction matrix ( $\mathbf{B}$ – $\mathbf{I}$ ) in order to make effects on growth rates comparable. Composition of planktonic groups is given in Table 1.

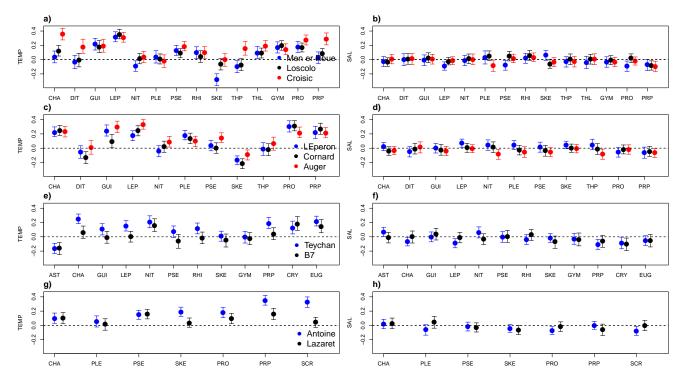


Figure 4: Effect of abiotic variables (temperature, TEMP or salinity, SAL) on phytoplankton group in Brittany (a, b), Oléron (c, d), Arcachon (e, f) and in the Mediterranean Sea (g, h). Each color corresponds to a different site. Error bar corresponds to the 95% confidence interval around the estimated coefficient. All variables were normalized before estimation.

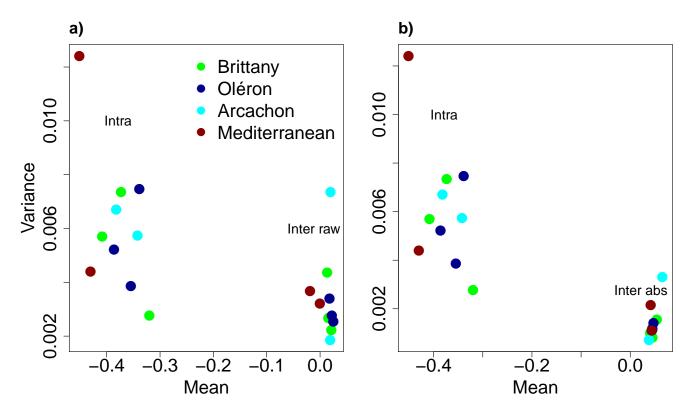


Figure 5: Variance of the coefficient in the interaction matrix (**B**–**I**), as a function of their mean, for 10 sites in 4 regions, with a model allowing interactions only within clads (see above). The mean-variance relation was either computed with raw values of intergroup interactions (a) or absolute values of the intergroup coefficients (b). Intragroup coefficients were not modified.

## References for the meta-analysis

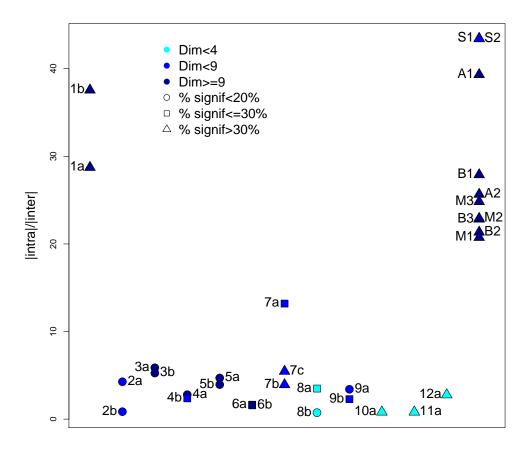


Figure 6: Ratio of intra-to-intergroup interaction strength, when taking into account only the significant values.

Code on the plot	Ref	Dimension	Type of organisms	System
1a	[2]	12	Phytoplankton	Outside a bay
1b	[2]	12	Phytoplankton	Inside a bay
2a	[3]	7	Phytoplankton	Coastal site
2b	[3]	7	Phytoplankton	Offshore site
3a	[4]	14	Plankton	Lake
3b	[4]	14	Plankton, growing season	Lake
4a	[5]	13	Plankton	Lake
4b	[5]	7	Simpler web, plankton	Lake
5a	[6]	10	Ciliates	Lake
5b	[6]	10	Phytoplankton	Lake
6a	[7], conditional least square estimate	9	Zooplankton	Lake
6b	[7], total least square estimate	9	Zooplankton	Lake
7a	[8]	4	Plankton	Lake
7b	[8]	4	Plankton	Lake with high planktivory
7c	[8]	4	Plankton	Lake with low planktivory
8a	[9]	2	Phytoplankton	Lake
8b	[9]	3	Zooplankton	Lake
9a	[10]	4	Functional groups of plankton	Lake
9b	[10]	5	Taxonomic groups of plankton	Lake
10a	[11]	3	Fish	Baltic Sea
11a	[12]	2	Lynx/Hare	Terrestrial
12a	[13]	3	Insects	Terrestrial

Table 3: References used [TO COMPLETE]

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