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Title **Functional diversity alters the effects of a pulse perturbation on the dynamics of tritrophic food webs**

S1 [001] Abstract

S1 [002] Biodiversity decline causes a loss of functional diversity, which threatens ecosystems through a dangerous feedback loop: this loss may hamper ecosystems' ability to buffer environmental changes, leading to further biodiversity losses.

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... of functional diversity, ...
... which threatens ecosystems ...
... through a dangerous feedback loop: ...
... this loss ...
... may hamper ecosystems' ability ...
... to buffer environmental changes, ...
... leading ...
... to further biodiversity losses.

S1 [003] In this context, the increasing frequency of climate and human-induced excessive loading of nutrients causes major problems in aquatic systems.

In this context, ...
... the increasing frequency ...
... of climate ...
... and human-induced excessive loading ...
... of nutrients causes major problems ...
... in aquatic systems.

S1 [004] Previous studies investigating how functional diversity influences the response of food webs to disturbances have mainly considered systems with at most two functionally diverse trophic levels.

Previous studies investigating how functional diversity influences the response ...
... of food webs ...
... to disturbances have mainly considered systems ...
... with at most two functionally diverse trophic levels.

S1 [005] Here, we investigate the effects of a nutrient pulse on the resistance, resilience and elasticity of a tritrophic—and thus more realistic—plankton food web model depending on its functional diversity.

Here, ...
... we investigate the effects ...
... of a nutrient pulse ...
... on the resistance, ...
... resilience ...
... and elasticity ...
... of a tritrophic—and thus more realistic—plankton food web model depending ...

... on its functional diversity.

S1 [006] We compare a non-adaptive food chain with no diversity to a highly diverse food web with three adaptive trophic levels.

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... with no diversity ...
... to a highly diverse food web ...
... with three adaptive trophic levels.

S1 [007] The species fitness differences are balanced through trade-offs between defense/growth rate for prey and selectivity/half-saturation constant for predators.

The species fitness differences are balanced ...
... through trade-offs ...
... between defense/growth rate ...
... for prey ...
... and selectivity/half-saturation constant ...
... for predators.

S1 [008] We showed that the resistance, resilience and elasticity of tritrophic food webs decreased with larger perturbation sizes and depended on the state of the system when the perturbation occurred.

We showed ...
... that the resistance, ...
... resilience ...
... and elasticity ...
... of tritrophic food webs decreased ...
... with larger perturbation sizes ...
... and depended ...
... on the state ...
... of the system ...
... when the perturbation occurred.

S1 [009] Importantly, we found that a more diverse food web was generally more resistant, resilient, and elastic.

Importantly, ...
... we found ...
... that a more diverse food web was generally more resistant, ...
... resilient, ...
... and elastic.

S1 [010] Particularly, functional diversity dampened the probability of a regime shift towards a non-desirable alternative state.

Particularly, ...
... functional diversity dampened the probability ...
... of a regime shift towards a non-desirable alternative state.

S1 [011] In addition, despite the complex influence of the shape and type of the dynamical attractors, the basal-intermediate interaction determined the robustness against a nutrient pulse.

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... despite the complex influence ...
... of the shape ...
... and type ...
... of the dynamical attractors, ...
... the basal-intermediate interaction determined the robustness ...
... against a nutrient pulse.

S1 [012] This relationship was strongly influenced by the diversity present and the third trophic level.

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... by the diversity present ...
... and the third trophic level.

S1 [013] Overall, using a food web model of realistic complexity, this study confirms the destructive potential of the positive feedback loop between biodiversity loss and robustness, by uncovering mechanisms leading to a decrease in resistance, resilience and elasticity as functional diversity declines.

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... this study confirms the destructive potential ...
... of the positive feedback loop ...
... between biodiversity loss ...
... and robustness, ...
... by uncovering mechanisms leading ...
... to a decrease ...
... in resistance, ...
... resilience ...
... and elasticity ...
... as functional diversity declines.

S2 [014] 1 Introduction

S2 [015] Human activities undeniably disrupt ecosystem structure and functioning (Hooper et al., 2005; Worm et al., 2006; Cardinale et al., 2012; Hautier et al., 2015).

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... and functioning ...
... (Hooper et al., 2005; ...
... Worm et al., 2006; ...
... Cardinale et al., 2012; ...
... Hautier et al., 2015).

S2 [016] Direct effects such as habitat loss due to pollution (Dudgeon et al., 2006; Butchart et al., 2010; Hölker et al., 2010) and increased land requirements for agricultural or industrial use (Brooks et al., 2002; Ryser et al., 2019; Horváth et al., 2019) are major causes of the observed losses in biodiversity worldwide.

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 ... (Brooks et al., 2002; ...
 ... Ryser et al., 2019; ...
 ... Horváth et al., 2019) ...
 ... are major causes ...
 ... of the observed losses ...
 ... in biodiversity worldwide.

S2 [017] Moreover, climate change effects have a decisive influence on these losses (Bestion et al., 2020): in addition to the global temperature rise (Hansen et al., 2006), the frequency of disruptive extreme weather events has increased steadily (Easterling et al., 2000).

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 ... to the global temperature rise ...
 ... (Hansen et al., 2006), ...
 ... the frequency ...
 ... of disruptive extreme weather events has increased steadily ...
 ... (Easterling et al., 2000).

S2 [018] For instance, recurrent storms or heavy rainfalls amplify excessive nutrient loading in rivers, lakes, and coastal areas, causing species losses (Øygarden et al., 2014).

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 ... or heavy rainfalls amplify excessive nutrient loading ...
 ... in rivers, ...
 ... lakes, ...
 ... and coastal areas, ...
 ... causing species losses ...
 ... (Øygarden et al., 2014).

S2 [019] The combined effect of these processes on biodiversity creates a potentially dangerous feedback loop.

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 ... on biodiversity creates a potentially dangerous feedback loop.

S2 [020] When biodiversity is lost, the respective decrease in functional diversity may alter the ecosystems ability to buffer perturbations (Cardinale et al., 2012; García-Palacios et al., 2018; Ceulemans et al., 2019).

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