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## 3 Abstract:

4 1. The great scallop (*Pecten maximus*) is a commercially important bivalve in Europe and particularly in the 5 English Channel, whose fisheries are managed at global, regional and local scales through regulation of 6 fishing effort. In the long term, knowledge about larval dispersal and gene flow between populations is 7 essential to ensure proper stock management based on population biology. Yet, previous population genetic 8 studies reported contradictory results.

9 2. In this <u>studyeontext</u>, scallops samples were taken across the main fishing grounds along the French and 10 English coasts of the English Channel (20 samples with temporal replicates for 3 sites, n = 895 individuals) 11 and the population genetic structure was analysed <u>basedusing</u> on 13 microsatellite loci. By coupling 12 empirical genetic data and genetic modelling based on a bio-physical model simulating larval exchanges 13 among stocks, a subtle genetic differentiation between south\_-western English coast populations and the rest 14 of the English Channel was revealed, which agreed with larval dispersal simulations.

15 3. The present study provides a step forward in the understanding of great scallop population biology in the 16 English Channel, underlining the fact that even in a context of potentially high gene flow and recent 17 divergence time <u>(since the end of last glacial maximum)</u> at a regional scale, <u>weaklow</u> but significant spatial 18 genetic structure can be identified.

Keywords: English Channel, gene flow, genetic modeling, genetic resources management, great
 scallop, low genetic structure, microsatellites.

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### 21 Introduction

22 Most benthic marine species are spatially distributed into fragmented populations that are generally 23 interconnected by the dispersal of gametes, propagules, or individuals (Cowen & Sponaugle, 2009). The 24 study of larval dispersal in the marine environment requires complementary approaches using both direct and 25 indirect methods such as *in-situ* observation, microchemistry, biophysical modelling or molecular tools 26 (Cowen & Sponaugle, 2009). Marine populations commonly display low levels of neutral genetic 27 differentiation (e.g. Purcell, Cowen, Hughes, & Williams, 2006, but see Bilodeau, Felder, & Neigel, 2005). 28 Nevertheless, the neutral population genetic structure results from the combined effect of genetic drift and 29 gene flow, and weak genetic structure (if any) does not necessarily indicate a high degree of gene flow 30 among populations (Whitlock & Mccauley, 1998). For recent divergence times, since marine benthic 31 invertebrates generally display large populations and therefore low genetic drift and supposed high dispersal 32 rate, the migration-drift equilibrium is rarely reached (Waples, 1998). In the case of bentho-pelagic 33 invertebrate species, combining larval dispersal modelling with population genetics, through seascape 34 genetics approaches (Selkoe, Henzler, & Gaines, 2008), has proven relevant for understanding the role of 35 oceanic currents in shaping the genetic diversity of populations (Foster et al., 2012; Galindo, Olson, & 36 Palumbi, 2006).

37 The great scallop (Pecten maximus L.) is a bivalve belonging to the Pectinidae family which has a 38 life cycle characterized by a 3-5-weeks dispersive planktonic larval phase followed by benthic juvenile and 39 adult stages with a limited mobility (Nicolle, Dumas, Foveau, Foucher, & Thiébaut, 2013). This 40 species is widely distributed along the North-east Atlantic coasts from Morocco to northern Norway and is 41 an important commercial species in terms of landings (25.106 £ in United Kingdom (Elliott & Holden, 2017) 42 and 50.10<sup>6</sup> in France (Les filières pêche et aquaculture, 2018)) and socio-economic values for European 43 fisheries (Duncan, Brand, Strand, & Foucher, 2016). The main fishing grounds are located around the British 44 Isles, along the eastern and western coast of Scotland, in the Irish Sea and in the English Channel (EC). In 45 the EC, great scallop resources are exploited by different countries (United Kingdom, France, 46 Ireland, Belgium and Netherlands) resulting in different management strategies (Duncan et al., 2016; 47 Howarth & Stewart, 2014). In this respect, understanding the population genetic structure at the scale of the

49 management plansunits (e.g. Reiss, Hoarau, Dickey-Collas, & Wolff, 2009). 50 Estimates of P. maximus larval connectivity between the main fishing grounds in the EC was 51 provided by the development of a Lagrangian biophysical model that coupled a 3D hydrodynamic model and 52 a biological submodel in a previous study (Nicolle et al., 2013, 2016). The biological submodel takes into 53 account a temperature-dependent spawning time, a temperature-dependent planktonic larval duration, and 54 larval behaviour. Model results highlighted the occurrence of three groups of highly connected scallop beds 55 (Efigure 1): (i) Eastern English Channel, (ii) Normano-Breton Gulf, (iii) South-western coast of England. 56 According to the model, larval dispersal occurs mainly among neighbouring sites located less than 100 km 57 away, while exchanges between the three groups are rare and weak. Within each group, two or three 58 spawning unitsgroups act as source populations with high retention and self-recruitment rates while 59 peripheral stocks act as sink populations with a low self-recruitment rate (Nicolle et al., 2016). Moreover in 60 the model, the Bay of Brest, located at the tip of Brittany, was found to be partially isolated from the EC. 61 Within a stock, year-to-year variations in environmental forcing are responsible foref variations in the 62 reproductive success of scallop and in the origin of settlers (Nicolle et al., 2013, 2016).

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63 In contrast, microsatellite-based population genetic studies of P. maximus showed contradictory 64 results in the EC (Morvezen, Charrier, et al., 2016; Szostek, 2015). On the one hand, Szostek (2015) 65 highlighted a lack of differentiation from Falmouth to the Sussex coast, but a significant differentiation 66 between the stocks of the Bay of Seine and the rest of the eastern EC. On the other hand, Morvezen, 67 Charrier, et al. (2016) did not report any significant differentiation between populations from Plymouth, the 68 Bay of Saint Brieuc and the Bay of Seine. Consequently, the comparison of larval dispersal modelling and 69 population genetic studies did not provide a clear picture of the population structure and connectivity patterns in this region. These discrepancies among-between studies may result from the small sample sizes 70 71 (Szostek, 2015), or from the use of different microsatellites markers and/or the limited number of EC 72 scallop grounds sampled in both genetic studies (Morvezen, Charrier, et al., 2016; Szostek, 2015). A refined 73 spatio-temporal sampling is therefore essential for a robust assessment of subtle population structure when 74 low genetic differentiation is expected, as in the case for P. maximus in the EC.

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75 In this context, the purpose of the present study was to extensively explore the empirical population 76 structure of P. maximus at the scale of the EC from-based on an extensive sampling of most scallops' 77 grounds. In addition, Ppopulation structure was analyszed through a multidisciplinary seascape genetics 78 approach (Selkoe, Henzler, & Gaines, 2008) using previous results of eoupling larval dispersal\_simulation 79 obtained by Nicolle et al. (2016) as biological parameters implemented inand the present demo-genetic modelpopulation genetic modelling, with empirical population genetic data. - The aim of this approach was 80 81 to assess simulated spatial genetic structure in the metapopulation context described by Nicolle et al. (2016). 82 Matches and mismatches between empirical and simulated genetic structure should informed about evolutive 83 forces and potential bias driving observed empirical genetic structure. In this regardaddition, the study aimed 84 at testing population structure patterns based on prior results from larval dispersal modelling (Nicolle et al., 85 2016).

## 86 Material and Methods

### 87 Sampling

88 A total of 1059 great scallops were sampled by dredging 20 sites from 13 corresponding to 89 commercially fished scallop beds located in the English Channel. Sample locations were based on the 90 distribution of the main fishing grounds defined by Nicolle et al. (2016) (Ttable 1, Ffigure 1). Four fishing 91 grounds were sampled two or three times to assess the year-to-year variability in the genetic structure. No 92 sample was collected along the southern English coast between 4°W and 0° because of the absence of major 93 fishing grounds in this area. <u>Sampling Sample collection differed from Szostek (2015) by with the</u> 94 inclusion of an extensive sampling of the western English Channel Effrench coast-line including also the Bay 95 of Brest. A small piece of adductor muscle was collected on-from each sampled individual and preserved in 96 95% ethanol.

97 Microsatellite genotyping

DNA extraction was performed using a <u>Cetyltrimethylammonium bromide (CTAB)</u> method. About 200 mg
of tissue were incubated overnight at 59°C in 750 μl of extraction buffer composed of 2%

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100 Cetyltrimethylammonium bromide (of CTAB), 1% Polyvynilpyrolidone (PVP), 1.4 M of NaCl, 0.2 M of β-101 Mercaptoethanol, 100 mM of Tris-HCl pH=8, and 3.75 µl of Proteinase K (20mg.ml<sup>-1</sup>). DNA was purified by 102 the addition of one volume of Chloroform Isoamyl Alcohol 24:1 and the aqueous phase was collected after 103 15 min of centrifugation at 4°C and 13000 rpm. This step was performed twice. Then, DNA was precipitated 104 with 0.6 volume of isopropanol and centrifuged 30 min at 4°C and 13000 rpm. Pellets of DNA were washed twice with 75% of ethanol, centrifuged at 4°C and 13000 rpm during 5 min and suspended in 100 µl of 105 106 MilliQ water. DNA concentration was measured with a NanoDrop 8000 spectrophotometer (Thermo 107 Scientific). Finally, all DNA samples were diluted to reach a concentration around 20 µg.µl-1.

108 Nineteen microsatellite markers were successfully amplified and optimized out of 23 previously 109 published loci (Charrier, Morvezen, Calves, & Laroche, 2012; Morvezen, Cornette, et al., 2013; Szostek, 110 2015; Watts et al., 2005). The forward primer of each locus was tailed with a universal primer to reduce the 111 genotyping costs (Schuelke, 2000). Four different universal primers were used, each of them labelled with a 112 fluorescent dye (Supplementary material table 1). Moreover, a PIG-tail (5'-GTTTCTT) was added to the 5' -113 end of reverse primer to avoid genotyping errors due to excessive stutter peaks when needed (Brownstein, 114 Carpten, & Smith, 1996). Each locus was amplified in a simplex polymerase chain reaction (PCR) in 10 µl 115 volume containing 1X green Go Taq flexi buffer (Promega), 1.5-2.0 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>, 0.2 µM each dNTP, 0.2 µM 116 universal primer (fluorescent), 0.2 µM reverse primer, 0.02 µM forward primer, 0.25 U Go Taq Flexi DNA 117 Polymerase (Promega), and 1 µL DNA template. PCRs were performed on a Thermocycler GeneAmp 9700 118 (Applied Biosystem). A touchdown procedure was included in the thermal cycling regime to increase the 119 stringency of the PCRs and, for each locus, annealing temperatures were set up according to the melting 120 temperature of the primer pair (T<sub>m</sub>) and the tailed universal primer (T<sub>m</sub>): (94°C for 3 min, Tm+2°C for 2 121 min, 72°C for 30 sec) x1, (94 °C for 30 sec, Tm + 1°C for 30 sec [-1°C per cycle until  $T_{mU}$ -3°C], 72°C for 30 122 sec) x 2-9 cycles, (94°C for 30 sec, Tmu -3°C for 30 sec and 72°C for 30 sec) x 35-40 cycles, 72°C for 5 123 min. Melting temperatures T<sub>m</sub> and T<sub>mU</sub> were calculated according to Marmur & and Doty (1962). The 124 number of total cycles was adjusted between 35 and 45 cycles according to each locus (Supplementary 125  $\underline{\mathbf{M}}$ material  $\underline{\mathbf{T}}$ table 1).

The 19 amplified microsatellites were grouped into three panels. For each panel, 2  $\mu$ l of each amplified locus were mixed together, and 1.5  $\mu$ l of the mix was added to 10  $\mu$ l Hi-Di formamide and 0.15  $\mu$ l

GeneScan 500 LIZ size standard (Applied Biosystems). PCR products were denatured for 5 minutes at 95°C and immediately transferred on ice for 10 minutes, and then electrophoresed on an ABI-3130 capillary sequencer (Applied Biosystems). Electrophoregrams were analysed with Genmapper 4.0 (Applied Biosystems), and were scored independently by two people in order to minimize scoring errors. Individuals with more than 30% missing data were removed from the data set, resulting in 895 successfully genotyped individuals. The genotype data file was converted into the proper format for further data analyses with CREATE 1.37 (Coombs, Letcher, & Nislow, 2008).

### 135 Data analysis

## 136 Within population diversity and marker quality

137 Allelic richness for each locus calculated with were 138 FSTAT 2.9.3.2 (Goudet, 1995). The number of private alleles per locus was estimated with the R package poppr (Kamvar, Brooks, & Grünwald, 2015) and summed by sample. Observed (Ho) and expected (He) 139 140 heterozygosities and the Wright's fixation index ( $F_{LS}$ ) per locus were computed with GENETIX 4.05 141 (Belkhir et al., 1996-2004). For each sample and for each locus, the significance of  $F_{LS}$  estimates (i.e. 142 departure from 0) was tested using 10,000 permutations with GENETIX 4.05, and the correction for multiple 143 testing was applied using the MultiTest V.1.2 (De Meeûs, Guegan, & Teriokhin, 2009) and the B-Y method 144 (Benjamini & Yekutieli, 2001) respectively for populations and loci  $F_{LS}$ . Average null allele frequencies per 145 sample was assessed with ML-NULFREQ (Kalinowski & Taper, 2006). Linkage disequilibrium was tested 146 with GENEPOP 4.0.5 (Rousset, 2008) using default parameters (Dememorization number=10,000; 147 batches=100; iterations=5,000). The occurrence of loci that may be under selection was explored using 148 LOSITAN (50,000 simulations, stepwise mutation model, and 95% confidence intervals, (Antao, Lopes, 149 Lopes, Beja-Pereira, & Luikart, 2008)). Finally, prior to further analyses, the data set was cleaned by 150 removing all loci displaying significant departures from Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium (i.e. Fig. 151 significantly different from 0), null alleles, signatures of selection and/or linkage disequilibrium (one of the 152 two linked loci was removed in that case). Filtering resulted in 13 markers. The statistical power for 153 identifying genetic differentiation for this set of 13 markers was evaluated with POWSIM 4.1 (Ryman et al.,

154 2006) with  $N_{\underline{e}}$  (effective population size) = 5,000 for 10,000 replicates. All genetic diversity statistics were 155 calculated after filtering step for each sample overall conserved loci (Supplementary Material Table 2).

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## 156 Population genetic structure

157 Global and pairwise population genetic differentiation were evaluated by estimating the Wright's 158 statistics ( $F_{STer}$ ) using the  $\theta$  of Weir & Cockerham (1984) with GENETIX 4.05. The significance of estimates 159 was tested using 10,000 permutations of individuals among populations. PcoA was realised on pairwised F<sub>ST</sub> 160 matrix, using ape package (Paradis & Schliep, 2018), and was presented in Supplementary Material Figure 1. 161 For pairwise *Estren*, false discovery rate (FDR) correction for multiple testing was applied using the B-Y 162 method. Possible barriers to gene flow were investigated through a distance-based redundancy analysis on 163 pairwise *FstFst* distances using the four groups of populations defined by (Nicolle et al., 2016) namely the 164 Bay of Brest (BOB), the western English Channel (WEC), the south--western England (SWE) and the 165 eastern English Channel (EEC) as explanatory variable and Cailliez's method to correct for negative 166 eigenvalues (db-RDA; Legendre & Anderson, 1999), using the R package vegan (Oksanen et al., 20178). 167 The global significance of the db-RDA was tested with 10,000 permutations. In addition, the influence of 168 spatial coordinates of the populations (latitude and longitude) on their allele abundances was explored with a 169 redundancy analysis (RDA). Prior to this analysis, Hellinger transformation (Legendre & Gallagher, 2001) 170 was applied to allele abundances so that double zeros (the absence of an allele in two populations that are 171 compared) were not considered as an indication of similarity among populations. Global significance and 172 significance of each constrained axis were tested using 10,000 permutations.

## 173 <u>Demo-genetic simulations</u>Simulated genetic structure

The population genetic structure was simulated with the MetaPopGen (v. 006) R package (Andrello & Manel, 2015), that was chosen for its ability to model complex demographic scenarios, using the "sim.metapopgen.monoecious" function. Twenty-two populations across the EC were included in the analysis, based on those studied by Nicolle et al. (2016). Each population was composed of seven ageclasses (Beukers-Stewart, Vause, Mosley, Rossetti, & Brand, 2005). Maximal population sizes ( $k_0$  in MetaPopGen) were inferred by multiplying the area covered by each population (Nicolle et al., 2016) with Commented [MOU9]: Check date, only 2018 in ref list

180 the densities estimated by (Le Goff et al., 2017). However, given the very large population sizes  $(10^7 \text{ to } 5.10^9 \text{ m})$ 181 individuals), each of them was divided by 1000, in order to simplify computations and maintain the relative 182 size of each population (Supplementary Mmaterial Ttable 23). The effective fecundity, i.e. the number of 183 post settlement juveniles produced by a mature adult, was set to 70 according to the current knowledge of 184 different life history traits of the great scallop (i.e. potential fecundity, fertilization rate, hatching rate, larval 185 mortality rate, and recruits survival) (see Supplementary Minaterial Teable 43 for the detail of the 186 computation). For effective fecundity computation, when the value of a biological trait (fertilization rate, 187 hatching rate, larval mortality and recruits survival) was unknown for scallops, the mean value reported in 188 the scientific literature for marine invertebrates was used. Even if some information was available on 189 fecundity variability in the EC (Le Goff et al., 2017), the number of recruited larvae was kept 190 homogeneous homogeneous among fishing grounds. Survival was calculated according to the mortality 191 function defined in Le Goff et al. (2017). The maximum recruitment capacity  $k_0$  was different for each 192 population, constant through time and limited by population size. Mean values of connectivity among stocks 193 was implemented as proposed by Nicolle et al. (2016) and was set constant through time. The initial allele 194 frequencies were assigned randomly to populations given the unknown demographic history of scallop beds 195 in the EC. Simulations were performed for 30 replicates over a period of 4,000 years, time for which sea 196 level and hydrodynamics in the EC were supposed to be similar to present observations (Sturt, Garrow, & 197 Bradley, 2013). Simulations considered a single locus with 13 alleles that corresponded to the mean number 198 of alleles per locus encountered in the present data set (excluding the marker List15-13), and the mutation 199 rate per year was set at 10<sup>6</sup>. For each simulation replicate, the population genetic structure was assessed at 200 time T = 4,000 by calculating pairwise  $F_{st}F_{st}$  (Nei, 1973) using the function "fst.pairwise.monoecious" in 201 MetaPopGen, the same weights being attributed to each population for  $F_{st}F_{st}$  calculations. All cohorts were 202 pooled in each population in each replicate to calculate pairwise  $Fst_{ST_{2}}$  and these pairwise Fst values were 203 averaged across the 30 replicates. Sensitivity analyses were conducted for fecundity, mutation rate and 204 population size, using mantel test (Oksanen et al., 2017), thisand did not reveal any change in pairwise 205  $F_{st}F_{st-}$  (results not shown). Simulated and empirical genetic results were compared with a Procrustes 206 analysis using the R package vegan (Oksanen et al., 2017); only the simulated populations that matched with 207 the empirical sampling design (11 out of 22 simulated samples) were kept for this comparison.

#### 208 Results

209 Within-population genetic diversity

210 The observed number of alleles per locus ranged from 5 to 32. An exceptionally high value of 93 211 was found for the marker List15-13 (Supplementary Material Ttable 2). Neither linkage disequilibrium nor 212 selection pressure were detected for any locus, except for PmNH11, which showed directional selection. The markers PmNH11, PmNH70, PmNH73, PmGC05, List15-13 and List15-08 showed at least eight significant 213 214 <u> $F_{ISFis}$ </u> estimates out of 20 sampled populations ( $F_{IS}F_{IS} = [0.09-1]$ , p-value<0.05) and null allele frequencies (> 215 9%) were observed for markers PmNH70, PmNH73, PmNH11 and List15-08b (Ttable 2Supplementary 216 Material Table 2). Therefore, the markers PmNH11, PmNH70, PmNH73, PmGC05, List15-13 and List15-08 217 were discarded for from further analyses. According to POWSIM, the reduced data set of 13 loci displayed 218 the same statistical power as the original set of 19 loci ( $Fat F_{ST} = 0.002$ ,  $\beta = 1$ ). Neither the heterozygosity 219 (Ho = 0.50-0.57), the allelic richness (4.38-4.82), nor the number of private alleles (0-2) showed major 220 differences among population samples. Multi-locus FisFis estimates per population, using 13 microsatellites, 221 ranged from 0 for BSB-2016 and BSB-2012 to 0.08 for BOB-2004. After multiple testing corrections 11 222 samples showed significant heterozygote deficiencies ( $FisF_{IS} = 0.01-0.08$ , p-value < 0.05). After post-223 filtering and quality control, the data set comprised 895 individuals from 20 sampling sites genotyped at 13 224 microsatellites.

225 Population genetic structure

The global  $F_{ST}$  estimate was low but significant ( $F_{ST} = 0.0013$ , p-value  $\equiv 0.02$ ). Pairwise  $F_{ST}$  ranged from 0 to 0.013 (Figure 2). Before FDR correction, the highest proportions of significant pairwise  $F_{ST}$  were found between samples of the south-west England area (FAL and PLY, except for SAL and WLB, the two eastern samples) and samples of the WEC and EEC ( $F_{ST} = 0.005$ -0.009, p-value <0.05). Significant pairwise  $F_{ST}$  estimates were also observed between two Eastern English Channel samples (BOS 2012, BOS 2015) and two samples of the Western English Channel (MOR and BSB 2004) ( $F_{ST} = 0.006$ -0.011, p-value < 0.05) (Supplementary Material Figure 1). Comparison of the Bay of Brest

(BOB 2004, BOB 2015) with EEC samples (BOS 2012, BAS 2016) also showed significant values ( $FstF_{ST} = 0.007-0.008$ , p-value < 0.05) (Figure 2). After FDR correction, two pairwise  $FstF_{ST}$  remained significant (MOR/GRA/MOR ( $FstF_{ST} = 0.0108$ , p-value = 0.003<0.01) and FAL/GRA ( $FstF_{ST} = 0.0084$ , p-value = 0.003<0.01) and FAL/GRA ( $FstF_{ST} = 0.0084$ , p-value = 0.008<0.01). Populations belonging to the same groups did not show any significant differentiation, except in the western English Channel for GRA/MOR ( $FstF_{ST} = 0.01$ , p-value <= 0.0043).

238 -The db-RDA showed that the four groups defined by Nicolle et al. (2016): "BOB", "WEC", 239 "SWE" and "EEC", explained a weak but significant proportion (db-RDA, adjusted R<sup>2</sup> =0.0646.4%, p = 240 <0.0051) of the variability of the pairwise  $Fest F_{ST}$ . The main differences, materialized along the first db-RDA 241 axis (p = 0.009 < 0.001), were found between ECC and SWE on one side and WEC and BOB on the other 242 side. The ssecond axis (non-significant) distinguished samples from SWE and BOB from those of ECC and 243 WEC (Efigure 3.a). Moreover, the geographic coordinates of the samples also explained a significant fraction 244 (RDA, adjusted  $R^2 = 0.04.6\%$ , p = < 0.004.1) of the variance of the Hellinger-transformed genotype. Only the 245 first RDA axis was significant (p <u>=</u> < 0.0054) and underlined a gradient from the South-<u>w</u>₩estern English 246 coast to the French coast line. The Bay of Brest and Morlaix appeared in the middle of this gradient (Figure 247 3.b).

The patterns of genetic differentiation displayed some temporal variability that is particularly obvious when comparing temporal replicates in BOS and BSB. For instance, when considering pairwise *FstF\_ST* before FDR correction, BOS-2015 appeared different from PLY, contrary to BOS-2012, that appeared different from BOB-2015, BOB-2004, BSB-2004. The same observation applies to BSB samples, BSB-2004 being the only BSB sample that presented significant *FstF\_ST* estimate with FAL and BOS-2012. <u>Sample of</u> 2004 for BSB and BOB appeared clearly differentiated in the pairwise *F\_ST* matrix (Supplementary Material Figure 1).

255 Simulated genetic structure

After 4000 simulated years, the global  $\underline{F_{ST}}$  value ( $\underline{F_{ST}}$ = 0.0012) did not reach equilibrium and was comparable to the global  $\underline{F_{ST}}$  observed in the empirical data set (Figure 4, black solid line). The **Commented [10]:** Je m'étais trompé concernant le seuil pas 0.001 mais 0.01

258 absence of equilibrium was driven by the Bay of Brest population, which is isolated from the others. When 259 excluding the Bay of Brest, SWE reached a migration-drift equilibrium ( $F_{st}F_{ST} = 0.0003$ , Figure 4, great 260 dashed line) and EC nearly stabilized (FstFst = 0.0003, Figure 4, greey solid line) at 4000 years. Simulated 261 pairwise *FstFst* values among all populations were low and ranged from 0 to 0.005 (Figure 4). The Bay of 262 Brest population was the most differentiated when compared to all other samples because of its relatively 263 low population size and the assumed partial isolation of the Bay of Brest (mean pairwise  $\frac{F_{st}F_{ST}}{F_{st}} = 0.004$ ). 264 Mean pairwise FstFst values were higher between groups (SWE vs WEC: 6.10<sup>-4</sup>, SWE vs the EEC: 4.5.10<sup>-4</sup>, and WEC vs ECC: 2.10<sup>-4</sup>) than within groups (2.10<sup>-5</sup> < mean pairwise  $\frac{F_{st}}{F_{SI}}$  < 10<sup>-4</sup>) (Efigure 4). Besides the 265 266 Bay of Brest, SWE showed the highest mean pairwise FestFst value. Simulated genetic differentiation 267 between WEC and ECC were the lowest and were of the same order of magnitude as the mean pairwise 268 FstFst found within the WEC. The Morlaix sample appeared as the most genetically differentiated in the 269 WEC. Procruste analysis between empirical and simulated pairwise  $F_{st}F_{st}$  matrix was not significant (p-270 value=0.52), meaning that patterns of empirical and simulated genetic differences were not similar.

## 271 Discussion

272 At the European scale, a clear genetic structure was reported between P. maximus samples 273 from north Norway to Galicia: the Norwegian populations being differentiated from the other 274 Atlantic populations (Morvezen, Charrier, et al., 2016, Vendrami et al., 2019). At the scale of the British 275 Isles, no significant genetic structure has previously been detected regardless of the genetic markers 276 employed (i.e. allozymes, mtDNA, microsatellite markers, SNPs) (Beaumont, Morvan, Huelvan, Lucas, 277 & Ansell, 1993; Morvezen, Charrier, et al., 2016; Vendrami et al., 2017; Wilding, Beaumont, & Latchford, 278 1999), apart in the Mulroy Bay (North of Ireland), suggesting that P. maximus forms a single panmictic 279 population. Specific genetic differentiation of Mulroy Bay could results of restricted gene flow interactions 280 with other populations associated to important restocking plan (Vendrami et al., 2019). Yet, at least two 281 genetically differentiated groups of populations have been suspected in the EC using microsatellites 282 (Szostek, 2015): one group including fishing grounds from Falmouth Bay to the Sussex coast, and a second 283 group isolating the Cornwall and the Bay of Seine from the rest of the EC. The present study, which 284 combined empirical genetic data and gene flow modelling based on previously published results of larval

dispersal and connectivity (Nicolle et al., 2016) led to the detection of a low but significant population genetic differentiation within the EC, and revealed different population structure patterns compared to those previously reported (Morvezen, Charrier, et al., 2016; Szostek, 2015).

288 Population genetic structure

289 Weak genetic differentiation within the EC was observed between the South-west 290 England (SWE) coast and the rest of the EC, as underlined by pairwise  $F_{ST}$  estimates and the results of the 291 RDA. This result is congruent with the larval dispersal model in this area (Nicolle et al., 2016) which showed 292 a lack of larval connectivity between SWE and the rest of the EC. The same pattern was depicted for the 293 brittlestar Ophiothrix fragilis in the EC (Lefebvre, Ellien, Davoult, Thiébaut, & Salomon, 2003). In 294 particular, higher pairwise *FST* values estimated in the present study were observed between SWE samples 295 located west of Start Point (FAL, PLY) and EC samples, in comparison to the samples east of Start Point 296 (SAL, WLB) that were less differentiated from EC samples. This structure may be due to a reduction of gene 297 flow on both side of Start Point induced by hydrodynamic features as 298 suggested for blue mussels Mytilus sp. (Gilg & Hiblish, 2003). However no clear identification of genetic 299 structure on both side of Start Point was observed in the present empirical genetic structure and the sampling 800 design did not allow to explore this potential barrier to gene flow. Furthermore, simulated genetic structure 301 not observed this which could was in area be hypotheses: 302 explained by three (i) an incorrect 303 estimation of population size leading to an over-representation of populations east of Start Point, (ii) the non-304 inclusion of populations from North Cornwall in simulations that could affect genetic diversity of samples 305 between Land's End and Start Point, and (iii) a limitation of the biophysical model to properly simulate 306 larval dispersal due to the complex nearshore hydrodynamics. The low empirical genetic differentiation 807 observed between samples located east of Start Point and EEC is likely due to gene flow between 308 these two areas but also probably to high Ne. Furthermore, genetic differentiation between western Start 309 Point and EEC could results of an isolation by distance pattern As reported by Nicolle et al.,

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310 (2016), small populations of scallop along the southern English coast not considered as major spawning 811 grounds could behave as relay populations and contribute to larval connectivitygene flow between SWE and 812 EEC. Szostek (2015) also suggested that larvae could be easterly-advected eastwards from Lyme Bay to 313 EEC. IRemarkably, it appears that even in a species with a high potential for larval dispersal and that-which 814 displays recent divergence times (i.e since the last glacial maximum) (Vendrami et al., 2019), a weak fine 315 scale genetic differentiation between west Start Point and the rest of the EC can be identified with refined 816 sampling performed in this study. West Start Point appeared as a reproductive independent unit and could be 817 considered as a management unit in the UK management policy.

318 The tip of Brittany is known to act as a barrier to larval dispersal (Ayata, Lazure, & Thiébaut, 2010) 319 and many marine species with a larval dispersal phase are genetically structured both sides of this region 320 (Couceiro, Robuchon, Destombe, & Valero, 2013; Jolly, Viard, Gentil, ThiéBaut, & Jollivet, 2006). The 321 isolation between scallops from the BOB and those from the EC is supported by simulations conducted in the 322 present study on the basis of simulations of the larval dispersal (Nicolle et al., 2016), as well as by previous 823 empirical population genetic data (Morvezen, Charrier, et al., 2016). In Morvezen, Charrier, et al. (2016), the 324 Bay of Brest was significantly differentiated from both the Bay of Saint Brieuc ( $Fest_{ST} = 0.0061$ , p-value < 325 0.05) and the Bay of Seine ( $F_{ST} = 0.009$ , p-value < 0.001). However, the empirical data collected in the 326 present study did not show any significant genetic differentiation between the Bay of Brest and the Bay of 327 Saint Brieuc or the Bay of Seine after FDR correction. HoweverFurthermore, relatively high FetFST estimates 328  $[F_{ST} = 0.003 - 0.008]$  were recorded between BOB and the EEC. Refined sampling near the tip of Brittanny 329 associated with fine scale larval dispersal modelling are needed to better understand the possible barriers to 330 larval connectivity that may isolate the Bay of Brest from the Ushant Seea and the Western English Channel. 331 According to empirical genetic data, pairwise  $F_{ST}$  comparisons suggested only a weak genetic 332 structure along the French coast of the EC, between the Western and the Eastern basins supported mainly by 333 MOR and GRA, and underlined by the db-RDA highlighting a weak significant structure between the 334 WEC and EEC. WEC and EEC are considered as two differents systems in terms of biotic and abiotic 335 characteristics (Dauvin, 2012). 336 Significant genetic structure was reported for the slipper limpet Crepidula fornicata between both sides of

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338 limpet Crepidula fornicata between both sides of the Cotentin Peninsula (Dupont, Ellien, & Viard, 2007). 339 Even if the Cotentin Peninsula behaves as a physical barrier limiting larval dispersal in P. maximus (Nicolle 340 et al., 2013, 2016), low genetic drift due to high effective population sizes could increase the time needed for 341 genetic divergence between WEC and EEC and maintain the two sites far from a migration-drift equilibrium. 842 In addition, <u>demo-genetic</u> simulations revealed that even when an equilibrium is nearly reached, pairwise 343  $F_{st}F_{ST}$  remained low in comparison to SWE genetic differentiation. However, the magnitude of  $F_{st}F_{ST}$ 344 should be interpreted carefully due to potential overestimation of the number of breeders implemented in the 345 simulations and the uncertainty linked to initial allele frequencies.

846 In the WEC, the presence of important permanent gyres, in the Normano-Breton Geulf region, could 347 largely affect larval transport, with gyres induced by capes acting as larval retention systems while gyres 348 around islands acting as dissemination systems (Ménesguen & Gohin, 2006). Larval connectivity is then 849 expected to be important within the Normano-Breton Ggulf and, for instance, no genetic structure was 350 detected for the slipper limpet Crepidula fornicata (Viard, Ellien, & Dupont, 2006). Conversely, the presence 351 of retention zones generated by shoals and gyres around capes (Ménesguen & Gohin, 2006) could contribute 352 to isolate the Normano-Breton Ggulf from the rest of the WEC so that the significant genetic differentiation 353 between the two most distant samples of the WEC (Morlaix vs. Granville) (Supplementary Material Figure 854 1) may be due to reduced gene flow between extreme western and eastern part of the WEC. Even if panmixia 355 seems to have been reached in WEC, deficit in heterozygotes observed for certain samples could underlined 356 consanguinity favoured by incomplete panmixia during reproduction. As underlined by demo-genetic 857 modelling, MOR appeared slightly genetically differentiated from other samples in the Normano Breton 358 Gulf. Convergence of empirical and simulated genetic structure, stressed the possible genetics isolation of 359 the Bay of Morlaix from closer fishing grounds.

In the EEC, the Bay of Seine did not appear differentiated from the other samples located in the EEC, neither with empirical or simulated data, in contrast to the results reported by Szostek (2015). Although the Bay of Seine has a mean retention rate of around 50% for *P. maximus*, larvae can disperse to the central EEC or eastward through the coastal river, <u>with</u> the magnitude of larval export depending on the hydroclimatic conditions, particularly wind (Nicolle et al., 2013, 2016). Similar<u>ly</u> cross-channel gene flow and larval dispersal within the EEC were observed for the polychaete *Pectinaria koreni* with *in situ* 

observations (Lagadeuc, 1992), larval dispersal modelling (Ellien, Thiébaut, Dumas, Salomon, & Nival,
 2004) or population genetic studies (Jolly et al., 2009).

#### 368 Temporal genetic variation

369 Various sources of errors, such as genotyping errors, non-random sampling and varying alleles 370 frequencies between cohorts could provide confounding results in a context of weak structuring (Knutsen et 871 al., 2011; Waples, 1998). As reportednoticed by Knutsen et al. (2011), even if samples do belong to the same 372 panmictic unit, sampling different families could lead to undefined genetic structure that could affect the 373 spatial signal of genetic differentiation. Therefore, assessing the temporal stability of genetic structure 374 patterns by temporally replicating samples is of major importance to identify population units that are 375 biologically meaningful (Dannewitz et al., 2005; Reiss et al., 2009). Comparisons of temporal replicates 876 within the same site (BOB, BSB or BOS) did not show any significant differentiation. However, 877 comparisons of the temporal replicates of one location from BOB, BSB and BOS, and particularly BOB-2004 878 and BSB-2004, displayed to other samples revealed some temporal variability in spatial structuring patterns 879 (eg\_BSB-2004/FAL: Fst =0.01; BSB-2012/FAL: Fst =0.0004; BSB-2016/FAL: Fst =0.004). --Temporal 380 genetic variability across cohorts is observed in many species of marine invertebrates (Calderón, Pita, 381 Brusciotti, Palacín, & Turon, 2012; Jolly, Thiébaut, Guyard, Gentil, & Jollivet, 2014). Marine invertebrates 382 can display unstructured genetic variability at small spatio-temporal scale, a pattern known as chaotic genetic 383 patchiness (CGP) (Hedgecock & Pudovkin, 2011). Chaotic Genetic Ppatchiness can results from a strong 384 variance in reproductive success (sweepstake hypotheses; Hedgecock & Pudovkin, 2011) associated toand/or 385 collective larval dispersal (Broquet, Viard, & Yearsley, 2013). The sampling scheme used in the present study 886 does not allow to draw anyfirm conclusions about possible CGP in P. maximus. However, simulations of 387 larval dispersal suggest that temporal fluctuations in hydrodynamic conditions during the scallop spawning 388 period may result the settlement of larval pools of different origins in the same area which could contribute 389 to CGP (Nicolle et al., 2013, 2016). Finally, empirical and simulated genetic structure could results of 390 difficulty to estimated empirical weak genetic structure given multiple bias associated to sampling (Waples, 391 1998).

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### 393 Implications for fisheries management

395 populations in the EC. In the 396 presence of migration-drift disequilibrium, obtaining a clear delineation of populations through the 397 evolutionary paradigm appears particularly subtle and challenging (Waples & Gaggiotti, 2006). While the 398 identification of genetic stocks is crucial for the sustainable management of exploited species (Carvalho & 399 Hauser, 1994), it seems important in a management context to make the distinction between gene flow and 400 larval dispersal, i.e. between genetic and demographic connectivity. The lack of strong genetic differentiation 401 depicted by both empirical and simulated data between the WEC and the EEC seems to result from 402 few gene flow across the EC sufficient to homogenize genetic structure and/or low genetic 403 drift combined with recent divergence. However, it is unlikely that the number of effective migrants 404 contributing to the genetic homogeneity is enough to maintain demographic connectivity between 405 the EEC and WEC (sensu Lowe & Allendorf (2010)). The genetic modelling shows that P. maximus genetic 406 structure can be weak even if populations are completely isolated for several thousand years: the pairwise <u> $F_{ST}$ </u> between SWE and the EC sites are low (0.0004 – 0.001). The signal of weak genetic differentiation, 407 408 through empirical and simulations results, could therefore suggest a complete isolation of scallop beds 409 between the south-western coast of England and French coastline. It would be relevant to assess a genetic 410 differentiation threshold for which demographically independent management units can be predicted as 411 proposed by Palsboll, Berube, & Allendorf (2007). However, in the present study, the application of such 412 threshold for the delimitation of management units was hampered by the uncertainty in the magnitude of 413 simulated FST. Even if incertitude remained regarding precise FST values, demo-genetic modelling clearly 414 illustrated that weak neutral genetic structure could be observed between main fishing grounds at fine scale, 415 particularly on the northern Brittany coast. For instance, Morlaix appeared isolated in terms of gene flow and 416 larval dispersal, underlining the need of rigorous management in order to maintain local fisheries and genetic 417 diversity of this fishing grounds. Coupling a bio-physical and genetic model to an empirical genetic data set 418 is a promising approach (Foster et al., 2012), as it could help defining sampling strategies for population

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419	genetic studies but also set up management strategies among fishing grounds for which strong assumption of	
420	demographic and genetic isolation exist. Nevertheless, but challenging issues remain to be addressed, such as	
421	the implementation of realistic biological parameters in demo-genetic modelling.	
422	Finally, recent studies emphasized the existence of local adaptation among marine species having	
423	high dispersive life stage (Conover et al., 2006, Sanford and kelly, 2011). Adaptative origins of phenotypic	
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### 426 Conclusion and perspectives

427 Multidisciplinary approaches are crucial to assess population delineation in a context of low 428 and chaotic genetic structure. By coupling bio-physical and genetic modelling approaches and empirical 429 genetic data obtained from an extensive spatio-temporal sampling, the genetic differentiation of the P. 430 maximus populations located along the South-western coast of England was explored, and 431 of Brest, and between WEC weak genetic differentiation were assumed for the Bay 432 and EEC. Nevertheless, temporal variability should be further explored, and the hypothesis of chaotic genetic 433 patchiness should be investigated. A hierarchical sampling among cohorts across multiple years would be 434 particularly relevant to address the effect of inter-annual genetic variability in a context of weak genetic 435 structure (see for example (Morvezen, Boudry, Laroche, & Charrier, 2016), in the context of P. maximus 436 population enhancement). Finally, local adaptation processes among main fishing grounds of the EC should 437 be investigated, given phenotype variation for which genetic determinism is assumed. 438 Future fine scale population genetic studies dealing with stock management and combining multiple 439 Future fine scale population genetic studies dealing with stock management and combining multiple 440 approaches appeared necessary for future management support.

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### Tables

Table 1: List of the population samples analysed in the present study with sampling number reference on figure 1, sampling name, sampling code and geographic regions precised as following SWE: south western English coast, BOB: Bay of Brest, WEC: western English Channel, EEC: eastern English Channel. Year refers to the sampling year and Analysed ind refers to the number of analysed individual per population. Diversity index presented are computed among 13 loci retained after quality control. Ar: Allelic richness based on minimum sample size of 8 individuals (PmNH23 being discarded from the dataset for Ar). Ho: observed heterozygosities. *Fis* estimates (Bold values = significance tested with 10,000 permutations: \* p-value < 0.05, \*\* p-value < 0.01, \*\*\* p-value<0.001 after multiple testing correction).

Sampling Number	Sampling name	Sampling code	Geographic Region	Year	Analysed ind	Ar	Ho	Fis
1	Falmouth	FAL	SWE	2016	48	4,65	0,54	0,03
2	Plymouth	PLY	SWE	2004	29	4,38	0,50	0,06*
3	Salcombe	SAL	SWE	2017	42	4,54	0,54	-0,02
4	West Lyme Bay	WLB	SWE	2017	12	4,40	0,51	0,02
5	Bay of Brest	BOB-2015	BOB	2015	46	4,58	0,54	0,05*
6	Bay of Brest	BOB-2004	BOB	2004	23	4,43	0,50	0,08***
7	Camaret	CAM	BOB	2016	45	4,66	0,54	0,04
8	Morlaix	MOR	WEC	2016	46	4,57	0,53	0,05***
9	Bay of Saint Brieuc	BSB-2016	WEC	2016	47	4,72	0,57	0,00
10	Bay of Saint Brieuc	BSB-2012	WEC	2012	47	4,72	0,55	0,00
11	Bay of Saint Brieuc	BSB-2004	WEC	2004	20	4,55	0,55	0,04*
12	Granville	GRA	WEC	2017	41	4,53	0,51	0,04***
13	North Cotentin Peninsula	NCP	EEC	2016	48	4,59	0,55	0,01*
14	Bay of Seine	BOS-2015	EEC	2015	45	4,59	0,52	0,05***
15	Bay of Seine	BOS-2012	EEC	2012	47	4,82	0,55	0,02
16	Bay of Seine	BOS-2004	EEC	2004	33	4,54	0,55	-0,01
17	Dieppe	DIE	EEC	2016	46	4,68	0,55	0,01
18	Bassurelles	BAS-2016	EEC	2016	94	4,55	0,53	0,04***
19	Bassurelles	BAS-2017	EEC	2017	89	4,65	0,53	0,06***
20	Eastern English Channel	ECH	EEC	2017	47	4,66	0,54	0,03***

### **Figures Legends**

Figure 1: Sampling map, 1 (FAL), 2 (PLY), 3 (SAL), 4 (WLB), 5 (BOB-2015), 6 (BOB-2004), 7 (CAM), 8 (MOR), 9 (BSB-2016), 10 (BSB-2012), 11 (BSB-2004), 12 (GRA), 13 (NCP), 14 (BOS-2015), 15 (BOS-2012), 16 (BOS-2004), 17 (DIE), 18 (BAS-2016), 19 (BAS-2017), 20 (ECH). Samples 1 to 4: south western coast of England. Samples 5 to 7: Bay of Brest. Samples 9 to 12: Normano-Breton Gulf. Samples 13 to 20: eastern English Channel. Scallop symbols represent each sampling site included in the population genetics modeling, and their size is proportional to the population size assumed in the simulations (cf  $\kappa_0$  supplementary material table 2). Shade of grey corresponds to local retention rate and links between nodes correspond to larval dispersal (Nicolle et al., 2016). Letters correspond to metapopulation groups defined by Nicoll et al. (2016): A (sout western coast of England: samples 1 to 4), B (eastern English Channel: samples 13 to 20), C (Normano-Breton Gulf : samples 9 to 12) and D (the Bay of Brest: samples 5 to 7)

Figure 2: Above the diagonal: estimated pairwise  $F \# F_{ST}$ , with significance tested using 10,000 permutations (\*p<0.05, \*\*p<0.01 before FDR correction). Under the diagonal: p-values \*p<0.05 after FDR correction. Negatives values are set to 0.

Figure 3: (a) Plot of the db-RDA on  $F_{st}F_{ST}$  matrix using geographic regions (EEC: eastern English Channel, WEC: western English Channel, BOB: Bay of Brest, SWE: south western England) as explanatory variable and using Cailliez's method (\*\*\*p = <0.0049), global adjust R<sup>2</sup>= 0.064. (b) Scores of samples on the axis 1 of the RDA (p = <0.0054) constrained by the spatial coordinates of the populations (latitude and longitude) response variables are allele abundances with Hellinger transformation. Global adjust R<sup>2</sup> = 0.046.

Figure 4: Pairwise  $Fest_{ST}$  simulated with MetaPopGen for each population used in genetic modeling (the Bay of Brest exhibited values ranging from 0.003 to 0.005, with a mean of 0.004. These high values were therefore not represented to facilitate readability). Black sample are shared between empirical and simulated sampling, grey samples are only present in simulated sampling. SWE: south western English Channel. EEC: eastern English Channel. In the bottom-right corner: Evolution across time of global mean  $Fest_{FST}$ . Black-solid-line: all samples, Grey-dashed-line: all SWE samples and Grey-solid-line: all samples (SWE and Bay of Brest samples excluded).

### Supplementary material

The following supplementary material contains information about : (i) loci used in the present study (table 1), (ii) genetic diversity per loci and per sample (table2) and (iii) biological parameters implemented in genetic modeling (table  $\underline{32}$ , table  $\underline{43}$ ).

**Supplmentary material table 1**: List of loci dispatched in three panels, with their assigned fluorochrome and primer sequences. Range of sizes: range of observed alleles. Pig-tail: whether a Pig-tail was used or not (No effect of Pig tail on stuttering was observed for PmNH73 and List15-008b). Tm: melting temperature, assessed according to Marmur & Doty (1962). Cycles: Number of PCR cycles applied. [R]: Reverse concentration of the reverse primer, [MgCl2]: MgCl2 concentration in the PCR.

Locus	Panel	Fluorochrome	Primers	range of sizes	Pig tail	Tm	Cycles	[R]	MgCl2
PmRM002	P1	PET	F: GTGACAATGTGTCCACCTGC	79-175	Yes	57,3	35	0,2	1,5
			R: CGTCGAGGGAAAAGTGAAGT						
PmNH59	P1	YY	F:CGAAGGTTTGTGCTGTGAATC	260-300	Yes	57,9	35	0,2	1,5
			R:CCAGCAATGACATCCGATCG						
PmNH60	P1	FAM	F:TTGTACAAATGCTGGCGTGG	175-216	Yes	55,9	35	0,2	1,5
			R:TCTACTCTGGCAGATCATGGG						
PmNH62	P1	PET	F:GGGACCACTGTAAACAATGTG	240-290	No	57,9	35	0,2	1,5
			R:GCGTGACAGTCGACCATTTC						
PmNH70	P1	YY	F:AGTTGTGCTATTGAATGGGAAC	114-162	Yes	56,5	45	0,2	2
			R:ATGCACTGCTTGTCCACTTC						
PmNH73	P1	DO	F:CATAGCGATGCAGGACAAGG	203-253	Yes	57,3	40	0,2	1,5
			R: ATTCCAATGTCTGCCGTCTG						
PmNH11	P2	FAM	F: GCCATGGTCGGAAATCACC	289-321	No	58,8	45	0,2	2
			R: CAAACGCGCCAAGTCTACG						
PmNH23	P2	YY	F:AAATGCCGTCAGCTTTCAG	238-283	No	54,5	40	0,2	2
			R:ACTGTACAAATCGGCCACG						
LIST15-013	P2	M-13 Black	F:AATGATTTTCGTCTGTCCG	259-523	No	52,4	40	0,2	2
			R:AATATCTCAACAAGCGACC						
PmGC05	P2	PET	F: AATTGTACTTTCAATCATAAACTGAG	200-280	Yes	55,3	35	0,2	2
			R: ACAGTAATCTAGGAAACACAATG						
PmRM053	P2	PET	F: CCTTGTGACATGACGCTCTG	151-179	No	57,3	35	0,2	1,5
			R: GGAACGCAACCGATTAGAAG						
PmRM057	P2	DO	F: GGGCTCATTTGTCGCATAGT	120-192	No	57,3	35	0,2	1,5
			R: ATGGTTAGGTGAGACGCCAT						
PmRM072	P2	FAM	F: GGCATTGCAGAGACCTATCC	102-158	Yes	57,1	35	0,2	2
			R: TCAATCGATCGCTAATCACTACA						
LIST15-004	P3	M-13 Black	F:TCCCTTTGATTCAGGTTTGTC	310-350	No	53,2	35	0,2	2
			R:ATGATTTGGAATCGGCTTTG						
LIST15-005	P3	PET	F:CAATAGTTCGTTCAGCGGCG	260-329	Yes	59,4	35	0,1	1,5
			R:CTCTTGGATGCTTGTGAGGG						
LIST15-008b	P3	M-13 Blue	F:CTCTCACTTCCACTGTTGACC	175-295	Yes	57,3	35	0,1	1,5
			R:TGTTAGCACATTTTCTCCCCG						
LIST15-012	P3	M-13 Black	F:CCTTACACACCTACCCTCC	180-250	No	58,8	35	0,2	1,5
			R:TTTGGGGGGCGACATACTGC						
PmRM020	P3	FAM	F: CCCTATTGGATGTCTTCAGCA	122-169	Yes	57,3	35	0,1	1,5
			R: CCGATGAGATGTGTTCGTGT						
PmRM036	P3	YY	F: CTGCTTCGTCATCAAAAAC	285-328	Yes	52,4	35	0,2	1,5
			R: TCGAATACGCCCATATGATTC						

**Supplmentary material table 2**: Table of parameters of genetic diversity per locus and per population. Np: Number of private alleles, Ar: Allelic richness based on minimum sample size of 8 individuals (PmNH23 being discarded from the dataset for Ar), expected (Hexp) and observed (Hobs) heterozygosities,  $F_{IS}$  estimates (Bold values = significance tested with 10,000 permutations: \* p-value < 0.05,\*\* p-value <0.01, \*\*\* p-value<0.001 after multiple testing correction). Multi-locus: Multilocus diversity parameters without the six discarded loci.

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**Supplementary material table 3:** Parameters implemented in MetaPopGen simulations. Migration corresponds to the larval dispersal simulated by Nicolle et al., 2016. Columns are populations receiving larval, lines are populations emitting larval. Capacity (k0) is the maximal population size per population. Fecundity corresponds to the effective fecundity for male and female. Survival probability are calculated for each age-classes and are set identical among populations

Migration (Nicolle et al., 2016)

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Greenwich	0.001	0.017	0.131	0.000	0.000	0.025	0.029	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.009	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
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Eastbourne	0.000	0.016	0.060	0.000	0.000	0.014	0.012	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.042	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Falmouth	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.010	0.000	0.029	0.000	0.000
Morlaix/Lanion	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.013	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.015	0.000
Cherbourg	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.034	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.049	0.006	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.008	0.000
Plymouth	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.048	0.000	0.000	0.004	0.000	0.000	0.028	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.006	0.000	0.035	0.000	0.001
Bay of Brest	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.366	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Rye Bay	0.000	0.011	0.011	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.003	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.003	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
SE Jersey	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.016	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.024	0.000	0.000	0.078	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.036	0.000
Saint Brieuc	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.315	0.000	0.061	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.009	0.000
Bay of Seine	0.065	0.000	0.000	0.006	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.003	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.424	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Saint Malo/ Chausey	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.004	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.061	0.030	0.000	0.160	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.011	0.000
Celtic North	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.220	0.019	0.004	0.000	0.000
Celtic South	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.019	0.238	0.000	0.000	0.000
Plymouth	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.009	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.014	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.011	0.000	0.088	0.000	0.000
Jersey	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.013	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.002	0.006	0.000	0.022	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.139	0.000
Weymouth	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.039	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.186
Capactity (Nicolle et al., 2	2016, Le	Goff et a	l., 2017)																			
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Fecondity (Supplementar	ry materi	ial 3)																				
PM, F, for1yearold	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MM, F, far2-7 year ald	70	70	70	70	70	70	70	70	70	70	70	70	70	70	70	70	70	70	70	70	70	70
Survival probability (Le	Survival probability (Le Goff et al., 2017)																					
Daget	0.76	0.76	0.76	0.76	0.76	0.76	0.76	0.76	0.76	0.76	0.76	0.76	0.76	0.76	0.76	0.76	0.76	0.76	0.76	0.76	0.76	0.76
0,002	0.88	0.88	0.88	0.88	0.88	0.88	0.88	0.88	0.88	0.88	0.88	0.88	0.88	0.88	0.88	0.88	0.88	0.88	0.88	0.88	0.88	0.88
agui a	0.92	0.92	0.92	0.92	0.92	0.92	0.92	0.92	0.92	0.92	0.92	0.92	0.92	0.92	0.92	0.92	0.92	0.92	0.92	0.92	0.92	0.92
	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95
0,005	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95
	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96
l Oagar	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96

Supplementary material table 43: Details of estimation for effective fecundity.

Biological traits	Mean value	References					
Potential fecundity	21. 10 <sup>6</sup>	Paulet and Fifas, 1989					
Fertilization rate	0.25	Eckman, 1996					
Hatching rate	0.25	Paulet et al., 1992					
rate of mortality	0.25	Rumrill, 1990					
Planktonic larval duration	30 days	Nicolle et al., 2013					
Survival of recruits	0.1	Thorson 1960					
Number of recruits (effective fecundity) = 21. $10^{6} \times 0.25 \times 0.25 \times \exp(-0.25 \times 30) \times 0.1 = 72.6$							

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