



Important characteristics determining the success of non-native freshwater fish

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Context

- The rise of the global trade has led to **more and more introductions** of species beyond their natural geographic ranges. These species can become **invasive** if they **establish** and have **impacts**¹.
- 551 freshwater fish species** are recorded as established all around the world²

Aim

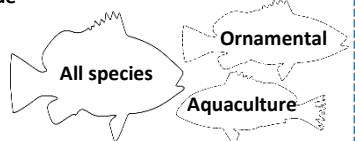
Determine the characteristics associated with freshwater fishes that were successfully **introduced**, successfully **established**, have **ecological impacts** in a **high number of countries**.

Material

307 freshwater fish species worldwide
14 characteristics :

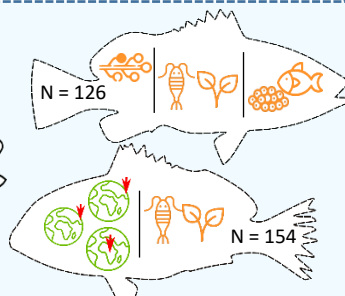
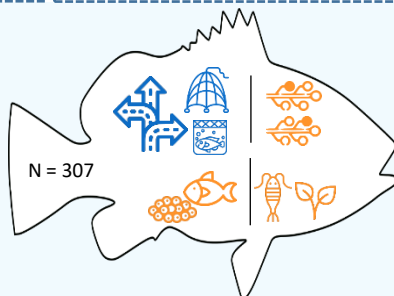
- Ecological**²
- Socio-economic**³
- Species**^{3,4}

3 species groups considering their pathway of introduction

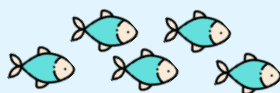


Introduction

Response variable :
Number of countries

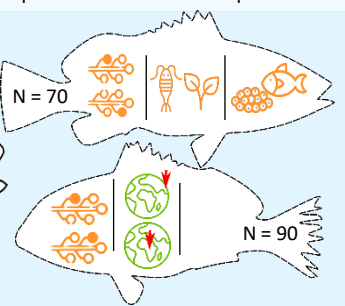
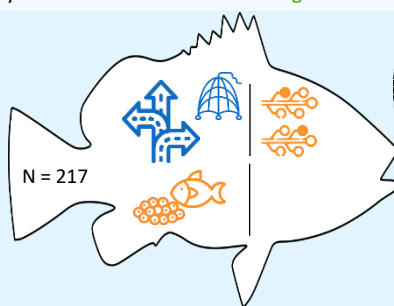


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Establishment

Response variable :
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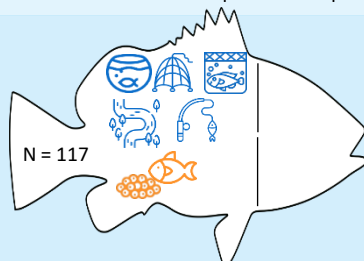


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A **broad diet** is important for species introduced through **aquaculture**.

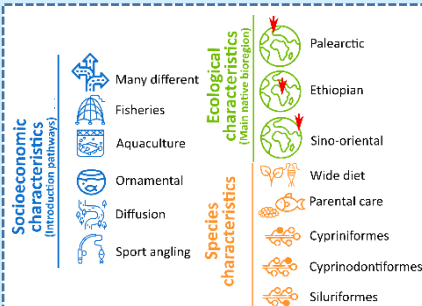


Impact

Response variable :
Number of countries



Socio-economic characteristics are the characteristics that best explain the impact



Implications

- Highlight the importance to **consider different invasion steps separately** to account for the wide variety of factors involved in invasion models and disentangle the effects of introduction pathways.
- Useful to improve screening tools

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