

GenoPopTaille

Moving stock assessment into the future

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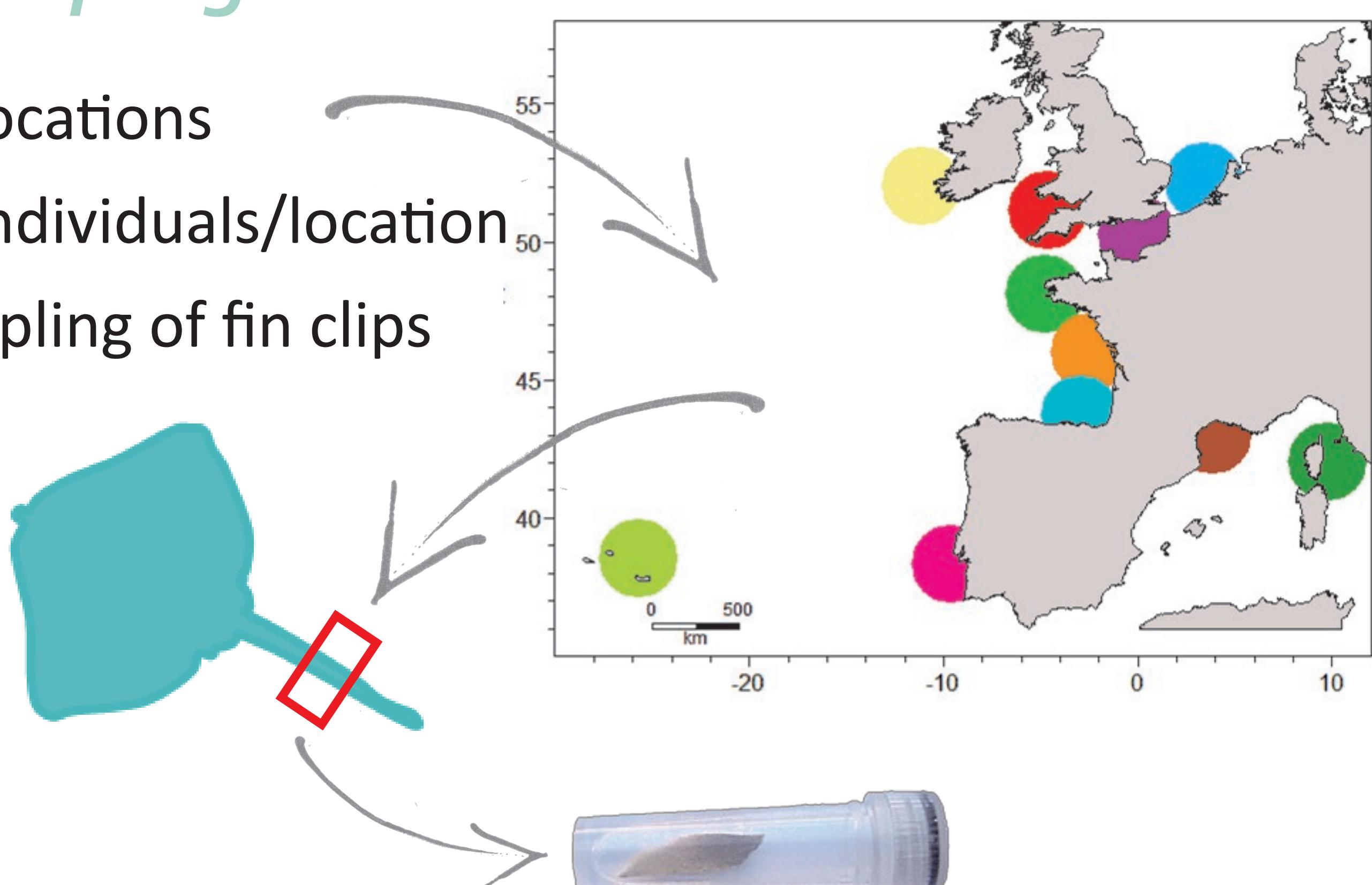
The project applies recent genetic methods to the thornback ray (*Raja clavata*) for :

- Characterizing genetic diversity of the species
- Characterizing populations structure in the North-East Atlantic
- Estimating absolute population abundance and effective population size



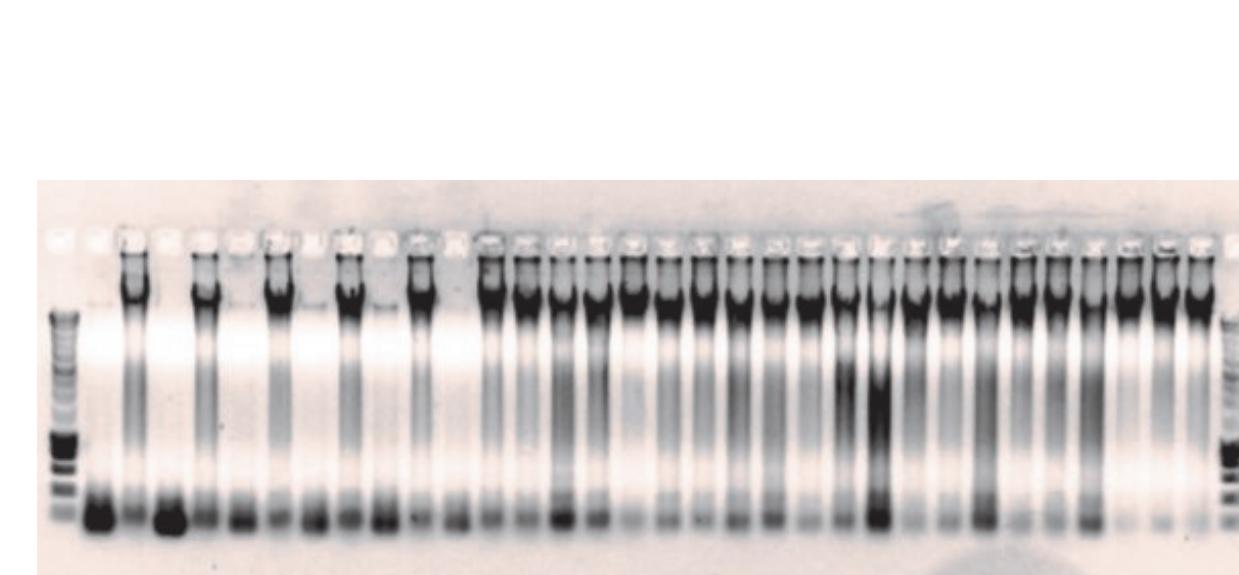
Sampling

- 11 locations
- 30 individuals/location
- Sampling of fin clips

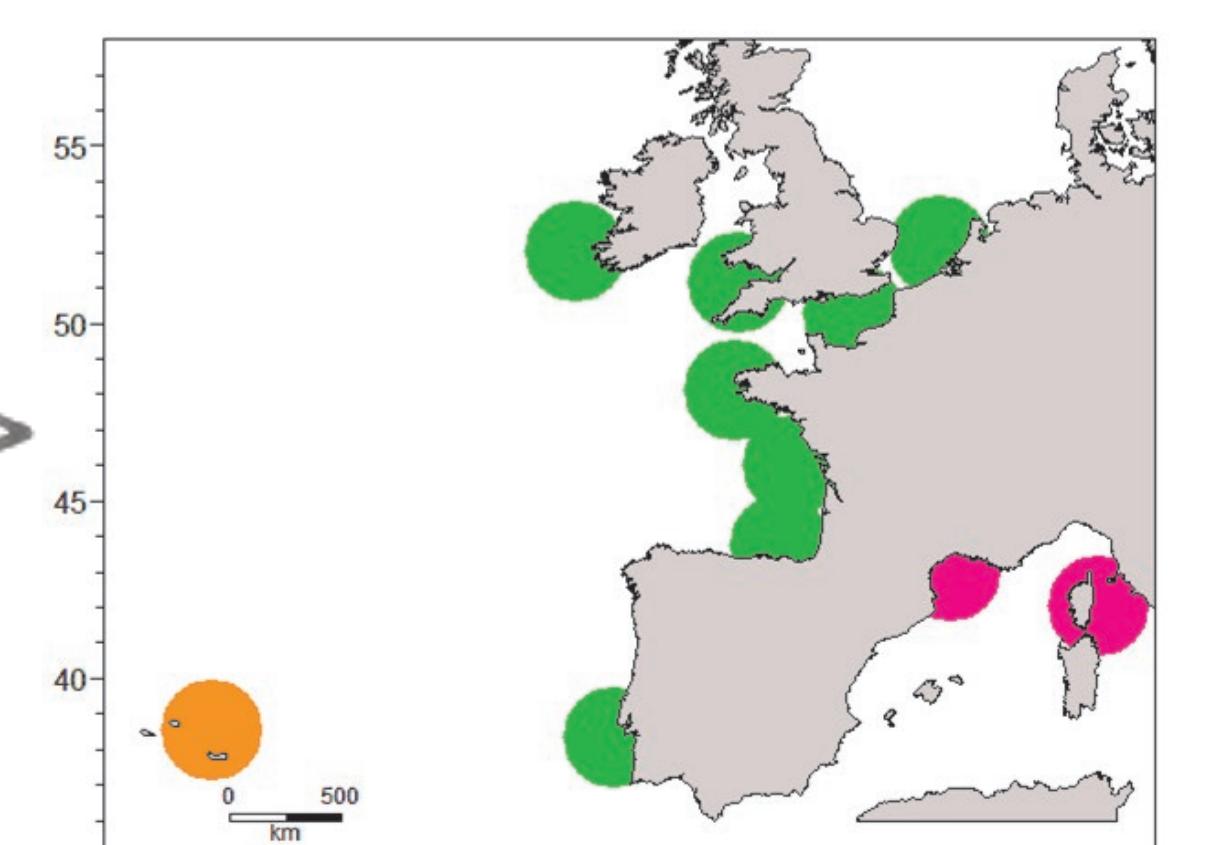


Genetic analyses

- *De novo* analyses : studying genetic diversity and population connectivity of the thornback ray
- definition of genetic markers (SNP)



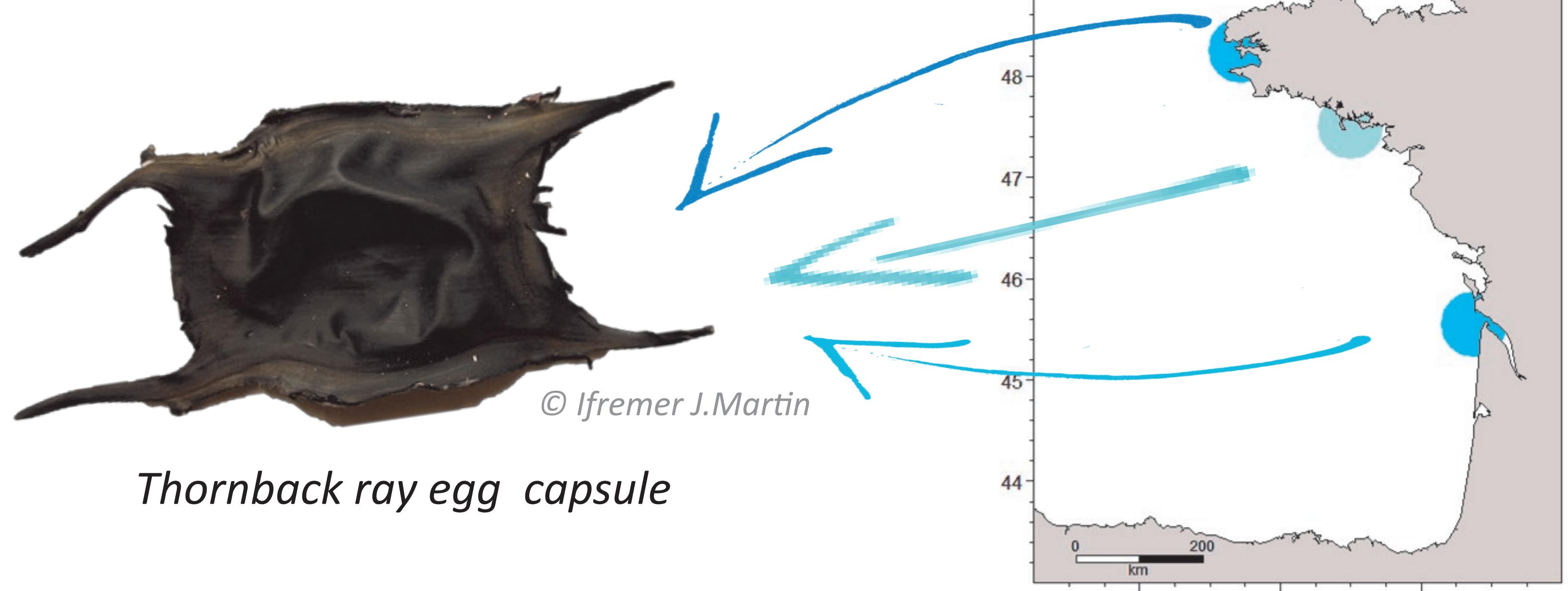
From the DNA....



...to the population structure

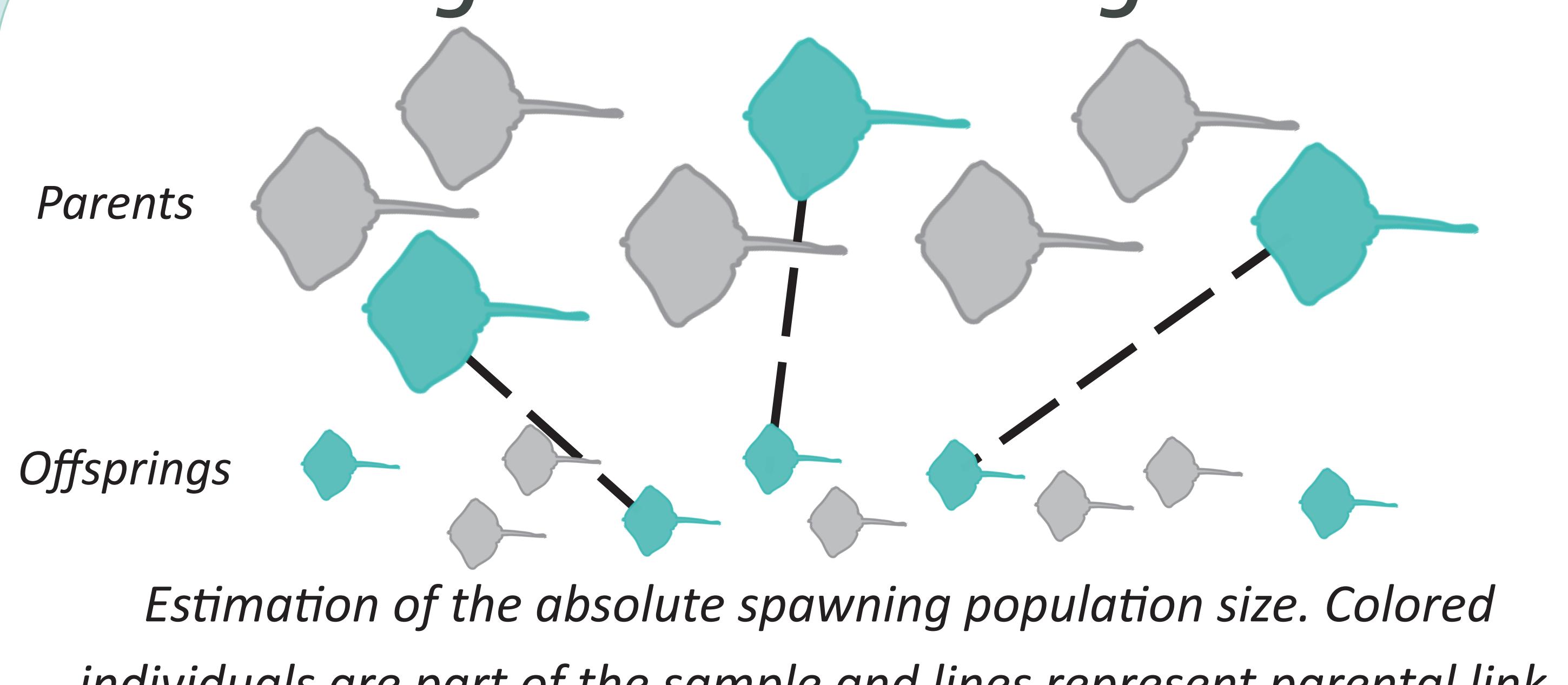
Investigation of the use of egg capsule DNA for studying population genetics

- Collection on 3 French sites
- DNA extraction
- DNA amplification
- Egg capsule DNA : maternal DNA or juvenile DNA ?



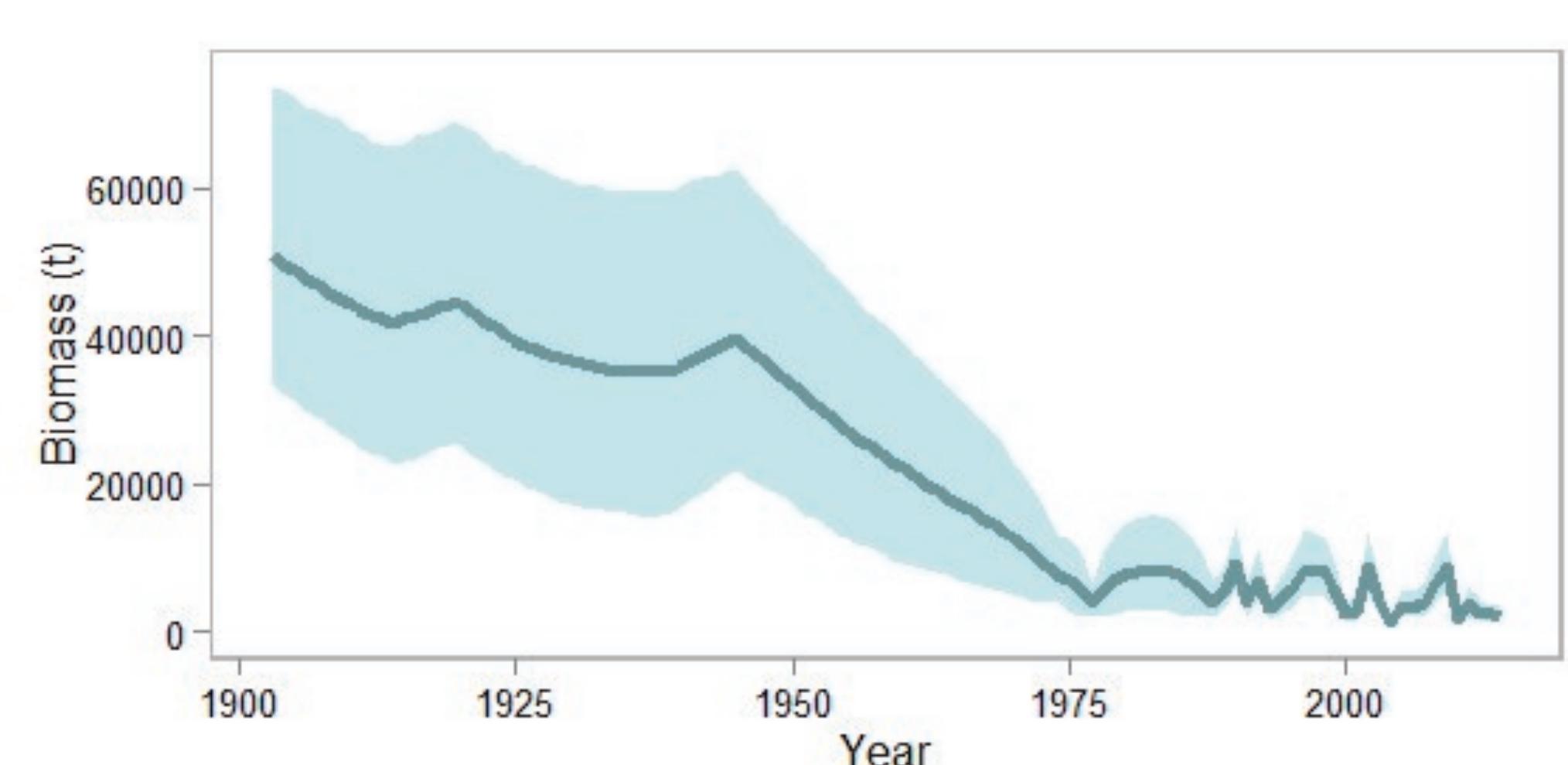
Thornback ray egg capsule

Evaluating abundance with genetics



Comparison with non genetic methods

- Biomass production model
- Bayesian inference
- Fisheries catch
- Scientific survey data



Estimated biomass trajectories of thornback ray in the Bay of Biscay

Marand et al. (Submitted)

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