Genetic erosion reduces biomass temporal stability in wild fish populations.

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In each species, there is a positive relationship between Intraspecific Genetic Diversity IGD and Mean Total Biomass Stability BSTA, though mostly expressed in upstream areas in the case of minnows (Supplementary Note 1). See Table 1 in main text for legend.

(a) Results in chubs:

			Model A	Model B	
	_		$\chi^{2}_{(9,20)} = 4.78$, p-value = 0.853	$\chi^{2}_{(11,20)} = 8.44$, p-value = 0.750	
Predictor	\rightarrow Response		CFI = 1	CFI = 1	
			SRMR = 0.086	SRMR = 0.085	
pcBIOM	\rightarrow BIOM		0.318 [-0.272; 0.909] / {1.057 0.291}		
		R²	0.102		
IGD	ightarrow BSTA			0.273 [0.020; 0.526] / {2.115 0.034}	
pcBSTA	ightarrow BSTA			0.645 [0.353; 0.938] / {4.321 0}	
EG	ightarrow BSTA			-0.242 [-0.562; 0.077] / {-1.487 0.137	
		R²		0.509	
UDG	\rightarrow pcBIOM		-0.474 [-0.815; -0.133] / {-2.727 0.006}		
		R²	0.253		
UDG	\rightarrow pcBSTA			-0.242 [-0.503; 0.019] / {-1.816 0.069	
		R²		0.063	
UDG	\rightarrow IGD		0.389 [0.105; 0.673] / {2.683 0.007}		
BOT	\rightarrow IGD		-0.515 [-0.790; -0.240] / {-3.675 0}		
		R²	0.6	84	
$UDG \to BOT$			-0.542 [-1.029; -0.05	5] / {-2.181 0.029}	
		R²	0.2	84	

(b) Results in gudgeons:

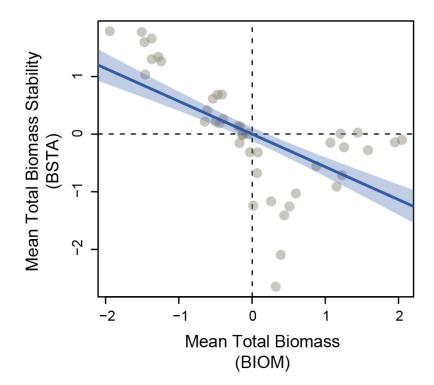
			Model A	Model B
Deselister	Deeneree		$\chi^{2}_{(13,33)} = 10.49$, p-value = 0.653	$\chi^{2}_{(10,33)} = 5.26$, p-value = 0.873
Predictor \rightarrow Response			CFI = 1	CFI = 1
			SRMR = 0.056	SRMR = 0.063
UDG	\rightarrow BIOM	-0.697 [-0.877; -0.517] / {-7.581 0}		
EG	\rightarrow BIOM		0.122 [-0.466; 0.333] / {1.13 0.258}	
UDGxEG	\rightarrow BIOM		-0.289 [-0.272; -0.113] / {-3.215 0.001}	
		R²	0.515	
IGD	ightarrow BSTA			0.463 [0.186; 0.740] / {3.278 0.001}
pcBSTA	ightarrow BSTA			0.265 [-0.009; 0.538] / {1.898 0.058}
UDG	ightarrow BSTA			-0.581 [-0.856; -0.306] / {-4.143 0}
		R²		0.475
UDG	\rightarrow pcBIOM		-0.612 [-0.782; -0.443] / {-7.084 0}	
EG	\rightarrow pcBIOM		0.240 [-0.023; 0.503] / {1.790 0.073}	
		R²	0.512	
UDG	\rightarrow pcBSTA			-0.400 [-0.628; -0.172] / {-3.436 0.001
		R²		0.200
UDG	\rightarrow IGD		0.506 [0.295; 0.717] / {4.702 0}	
EG	\rightarrow IGD		0.479 [0.272; 0.686] / {4.529 0}	
BOT	\rightarrow IGD		-0.397 [-0.725; -0.069] / {-2.372 0.018}	
		R²	0.5	563
EG	\rightarrow BOT		0.166 [-0.182; 0.515] / {0.935 0.35}	
		R²	0.0)28

(c) Results in minnows:

			Model A	Model B	
Predictor	Deenerer	$\chi^{2}_{(13,31)}$ = 6.42, p-value = 0.930		$\chi^{2}_{(15,31)}$ = 14.49, p-value = 0.489	
	\rightarrow Response		CFI = 1	CFI = 1	
			SRMR = 0.068	SRMR = 0.073	
UDG	\rightarrow BIOM		-0.519 [-0.755; -0.284] / {-4.324 0}		
pcBIOM	\rightarrow BIOM		0.331 [0.157; 0.506] / {3.720 0}		
		R²	0.460		
pcBSTA	ightarrow BSTA			0.256 [-0.084; 0.596] / {1.476 0.14}	
UDG	ightarrow BSTA			-0.445 [-0.929; 0.039] / {-1.803 0.071]	
EG	ightarrow BSTA			-0.339 [-0.647; -0.030] / {-2.151 0.031]	
IGD	ightarrow BSTA			0.160 [-0.218; 0.538] / {0.831 0.406}	
UDGxIGD	ightarrow BSTA			-0.367 [-0.685; -0.049] / {-2.265 0.044	
		R²		0.305	
UDG	\rightarrow pcBIOM		-0.369 [-0.753; 0.015] / {-1.883 0.06}		
EG	\rightarrow pcBIOM		0.307 [-0.042; 0.656] / {1.725 0.085}		
IGD	\rightarrow pcBIOM		0.340 [-0.030; 0.710] / {1.801 0.072}		
EGxIGD	\rightarrow pcBIOM		0.438 [0.060; 0.815] / {2.270 0.023}		
		R²	0.453		
UDG	\rightarrow pcBSTA			-0.028 [-0.337; 0.281] / {-0.178 0.859}	
EG	\rightarrow pcBSTA			-0.010 [-0.431; 0.451] / {0.045 0.964}	
UDGxEG	\rightarrow pcBSTA			0.428 [0.053; 0.803] / {2.235 0.025}	
		R²		0.109	
UDG	\rightarrow IGD		0.421 [0.200; 0.641] / {3.740 0}		
BOT	\rightarrow IGD		-0.230 [-0.535; 0.075] / {-1.477 0.140}		
		R²	0.:	271	
EG	\rightarrow BOT		0.309 [-0.034; 0.6	52] / {1.767 0.077}	
		R²	0.094		

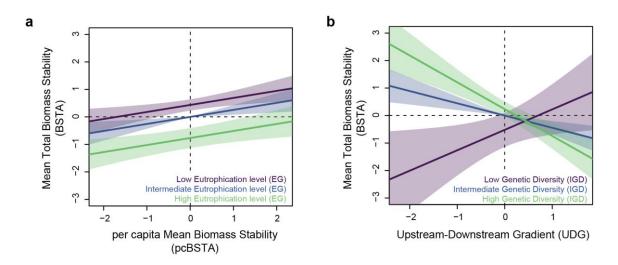
Supplementary Figure 1. Demographic and biomass data.

Predicted values of Mean Total Biomass Stability (BSTA) as a function of Mean Total Biomass (BIOM). Data are presented as predicted values (thick lines) +/- SD (colored envelops). Overall, Mean Total Biomass Stability (BSTA) was negatively related to Mean Total Biomass (BIOM): the higher the Mean Total Biomass, the higher its fluctuations over the last decades. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.



Supplementary Figure 2. Drivers of Biomass Stability in minnows.

Predicted values of Biomass Stability BSTA in minnows given the retained links (per capita Biomass pcBSTA and Eutrophication Gradient EG in panel a; first-order interaction between Upstream-Downstream Gradient UDG and Intraspecific Genetic Diversity IGD in panel b) as indicated in Supplementary Table 1c. Data are presented as predicted values (thick lines) +/- SD (colored envelops). The positive relationship between IGD and BSTA is here mostly expressed in upstream areas. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.



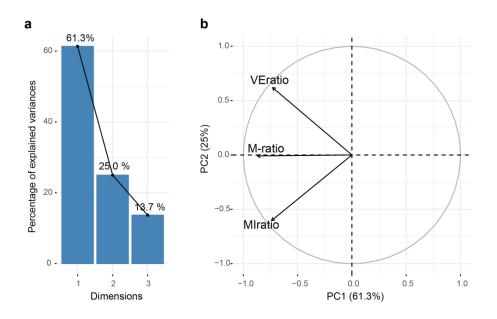
Supplementary Table 2. Raw metrics of bottleneck probability.

Minimal, maximal, mean and median values of raw metrics of bottleneck probability (out of 92 unique combinations of one species and one station), as well as their coordinates on the first PCA axis and their contribution expressed in percentage. Note that a simulation study by Paz-Vinas et al.¹ showed that, in rivers, demographic inferences based on microsatellites are more likely to detect false signals of population expansion than false signals of population decline: here, we only detected 7 (7.6% of datasets) and 6 (6.5% of datasets) signals of expansion (log-ratio > 0) with the MIratio and the VEratio, respectively.

	Min	Max	Mean	Median
M-ratio	0.427	0.880	0.697	0.705
MIratio	-19.548	1.759	-5.501	-5.369
VEratio	-4.489	1.031	-1.694	-1.518

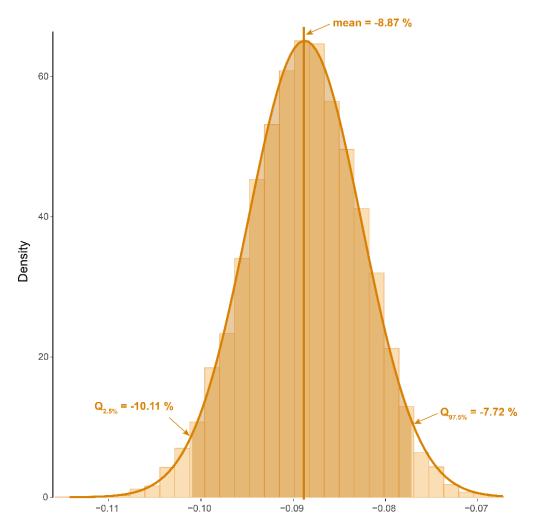
Supplementary Figure 3. Synthetic metric of bottleneck probability.

Visual representation of eigenvalues (corresponding to the amount of the variation explained by each PC; panel a) and of the two first principal components PC, with PC1 standing for bottleneck probability BOT (panel b). Source data are provided as a Source Data file.



Supplementary Figure 4. Overall expected change in biomass stability given a 6 to 15% decline in intraspecific genetic diversity.

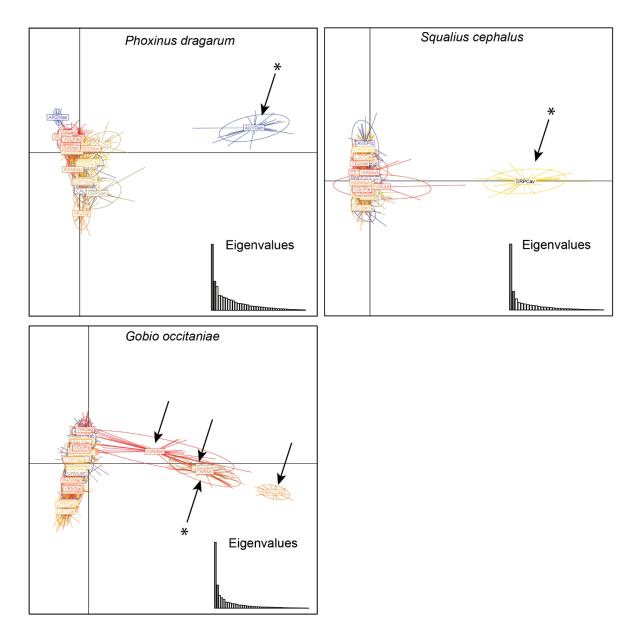
Distribution of $\overline{D_k}$, the predicted overall expected change in biomass stability given a 6 to 15% decline in IGD, along with the corresponding fitted normal curve (in orange), mean value and 95% confidence intervals. We found $\overline{D_k} = -8.87$ % [-10.11; -7.72]. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.



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Supplementary Figure 5. Outlier populations.

Discriminant analysis of principal components (dAPC) performed on each microsatellite dataset. Arrows indicate outlier populations, probably resulting from past stocking events. These populations were discarded from the final datasets. Asterisks indicate outlier populations used to design a draft reference genome in each species.

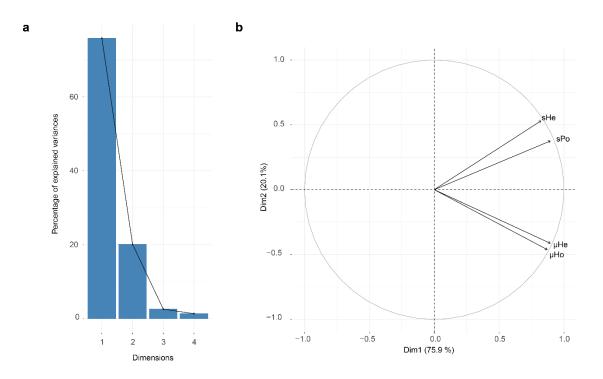


Supplementary Table 3. Main characteristics of final SNP dat
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	P. dragarum	G. occitaniae	S. cephalus
Number of SNPs	1244	1892	1847
Number of populations	27	30	17
Mean coverage	99.2 ± 41.9	77.5 ± 34.8	51 ± 13.1
(± standard deviation)			
Percentage of missing AF values	1.2	13.2	19.1
(across SNPs and populations)			

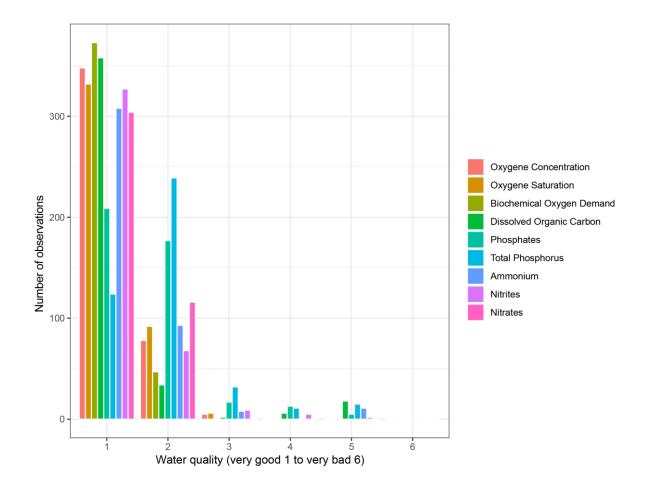
Supplementary Figure 6. Composite metric of Intraspecific Genetic Diversity.

Visual representation of eigenvalues (corresponding to the amount of the variation explained by each principal component PC; panel a) and of the two first PC, with PC1 standing for Intraspecific Genetic Diversity IGD (panel b). The percentage of variance explained by each component is also indicated. μ : microsatellites / s: SNPs; He: expected heterozygosity / Ho: observed heterozygosity / Po: Polymorphism (see main text for details). Source data are provided as a Source Data file.



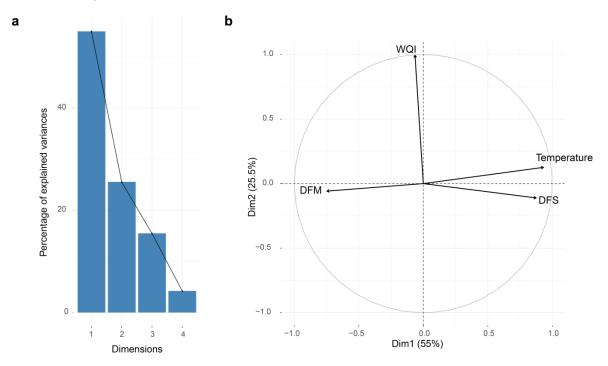
Supplementary Figure 7. Distribution of Water Quality Indices in the 42 river stations.

Red vertical bars indicate, for each environmental variable, the total number of observations falling into each water quality class (from very 1 to very 6), following the French implementation of the European Water Framework Directive 2000/60/EC (Ministère chargé de l'environnement (2013) « Guide technique actualisant les règles d'évaluation de l'état des eaux douces de surface de métropole », Annexe 5 : « Etat écologique des cours d'eau - Paramètres physico-chimiques généraux »). Most data indicate good to very good water quality. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.



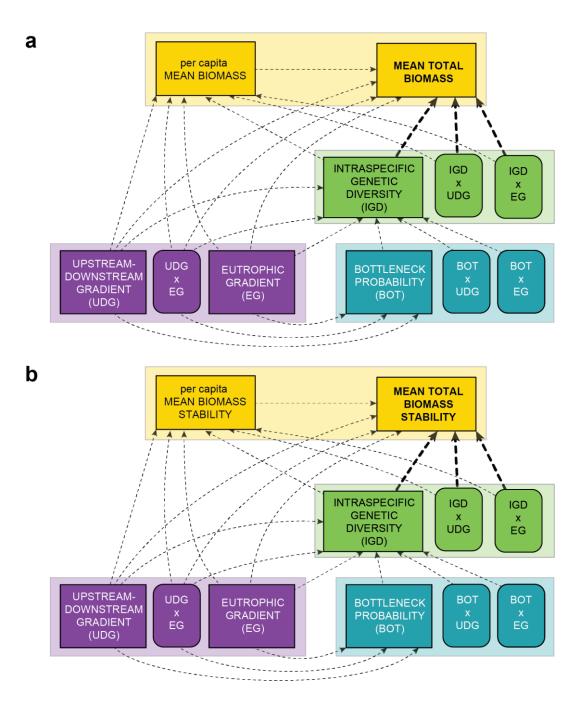
Supplementary Figure 8. Characteristics of the two first principal components (PC) based on environmental data.

Visual representation of eigenvalues (corresponding to the amount of the variation explained by each PC; panel a) and of the two first PC accounting for 80.5 % of the total variance in environmental variables, with PC1 standing for the upstream-downstream gradient (fresh upstream stations on the one hand (negative coordinates) and warmer downstream stations on the other hand) and PC2 standing for the eutrophic gradient (nutrient-impoverished river stations (very good ecological status) on the one hand (negative coordinates) and nutrient-rich stations (medium ecological status) on the other hand; panel b). The percentage of variance explained by each component is also indicated. DFM: Distance from the river mouth; DFS: Distance from the river source; WQI: Water Quality Index. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.



Supplementary Figure 9. Initial causal models.

Initial causal graphs depicting all the investigated links among environmental (purple), bottleneck (blue), genetic (light green), and biomass variables (per capita and total; yellow). Mean biomasses are investigated in a, biomass stability in b. Links of interest (between IGD variables and biomass variables) are in bold.



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