Where are all the fish going? Identifying patterns of genetic connectivity across the Hawaiian Archipelago

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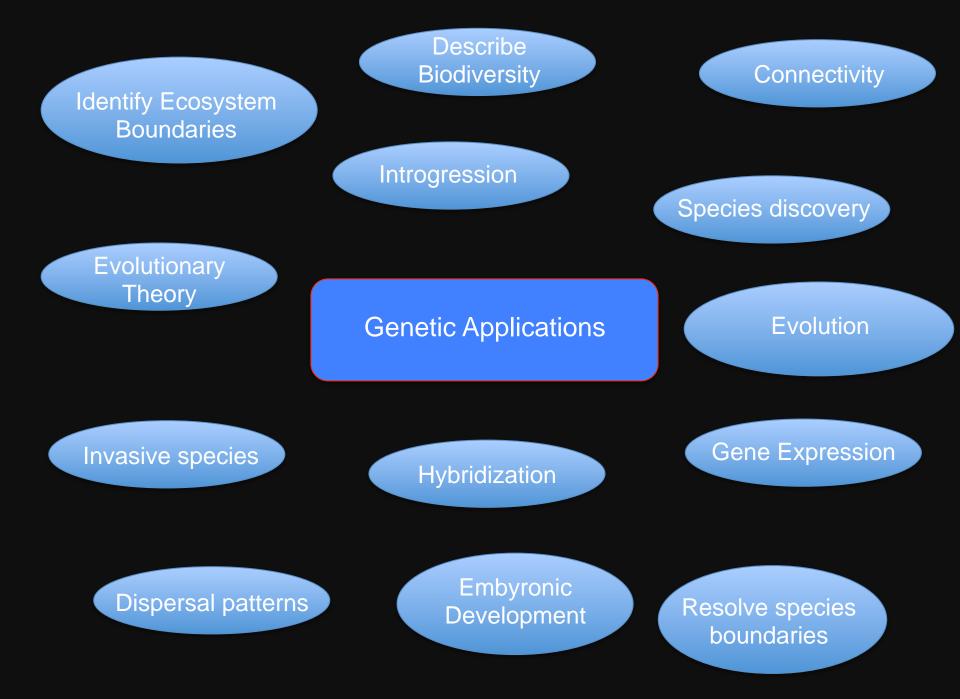


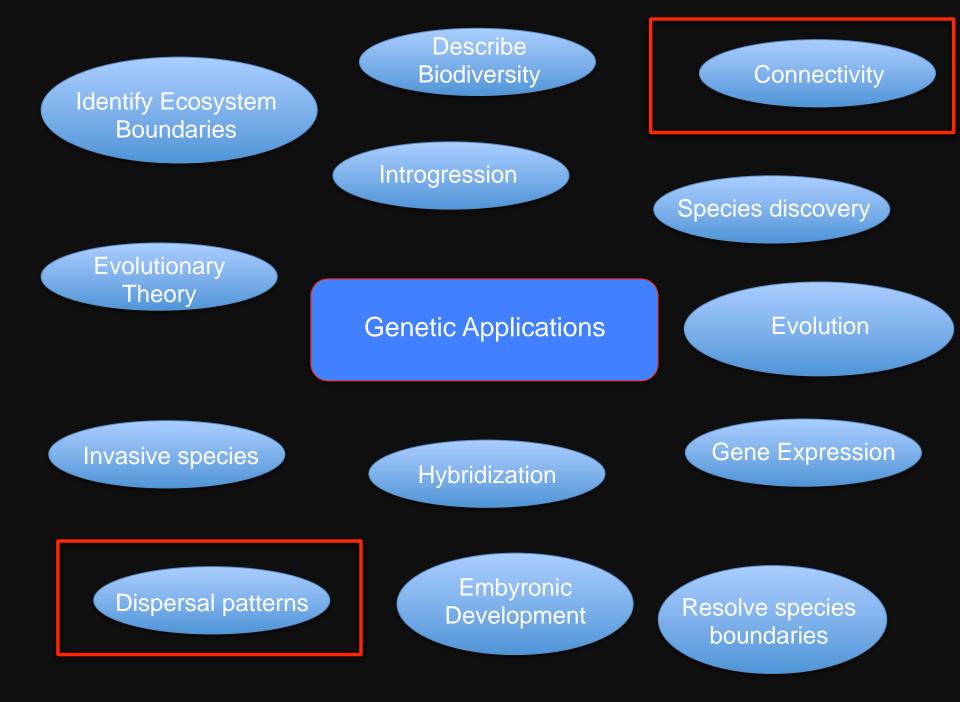
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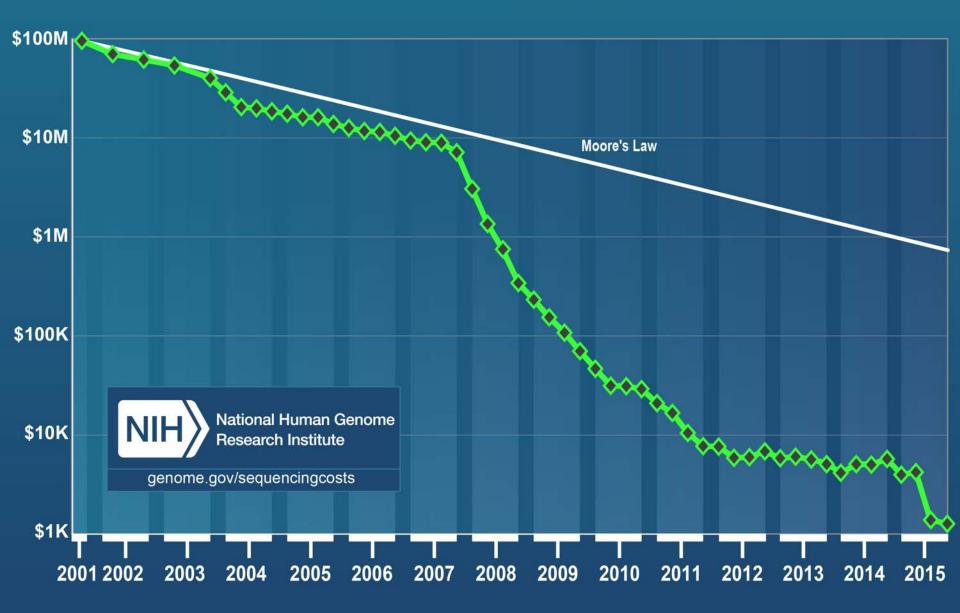




# **Brief History of Genetics**

- 1859 "On the origin of species" Theory of Evolution by Natural Selection
- 1865 Gregor Mendel's pea experiments
- 1869 DNA isolated
- 1953 DNA double helix described (Watson, Crick, Franklin, Wilkins)
- 1966 Genetic code cracked
- 1975 DNA Sequencing
- 1983 PCR invented
- 1995 First genome sequenced
- 2002 First mammal genome sequenced
- 2003 Human genome sequenced
- 2005 Second generation sequencing (Roche 454)
- 2006 Illumina sequencing (accounts for >70% of the market)

#### Cost per Genome







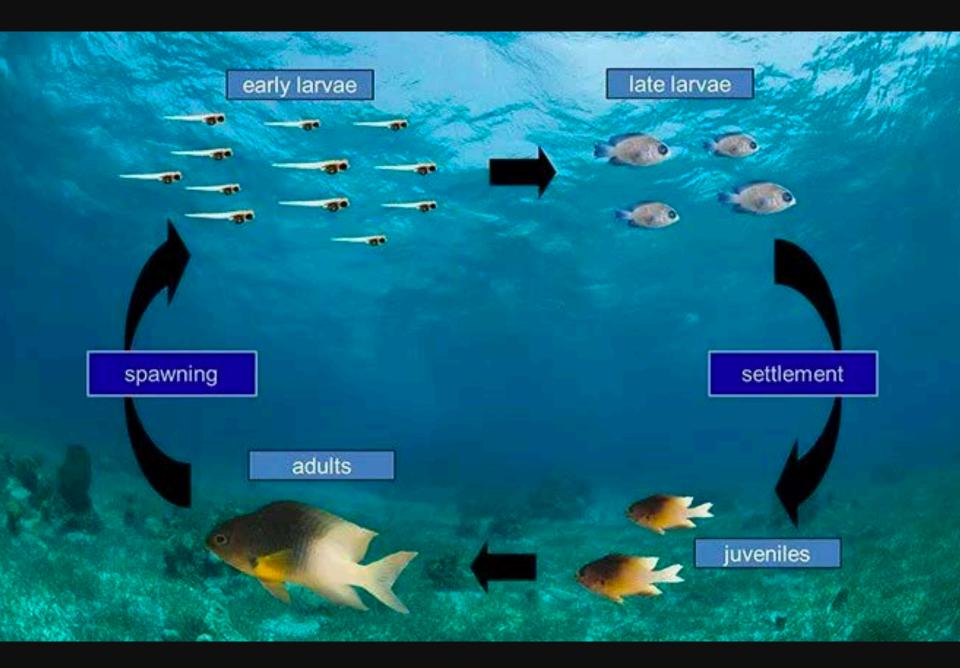
# Importance of Understanding Connectivity

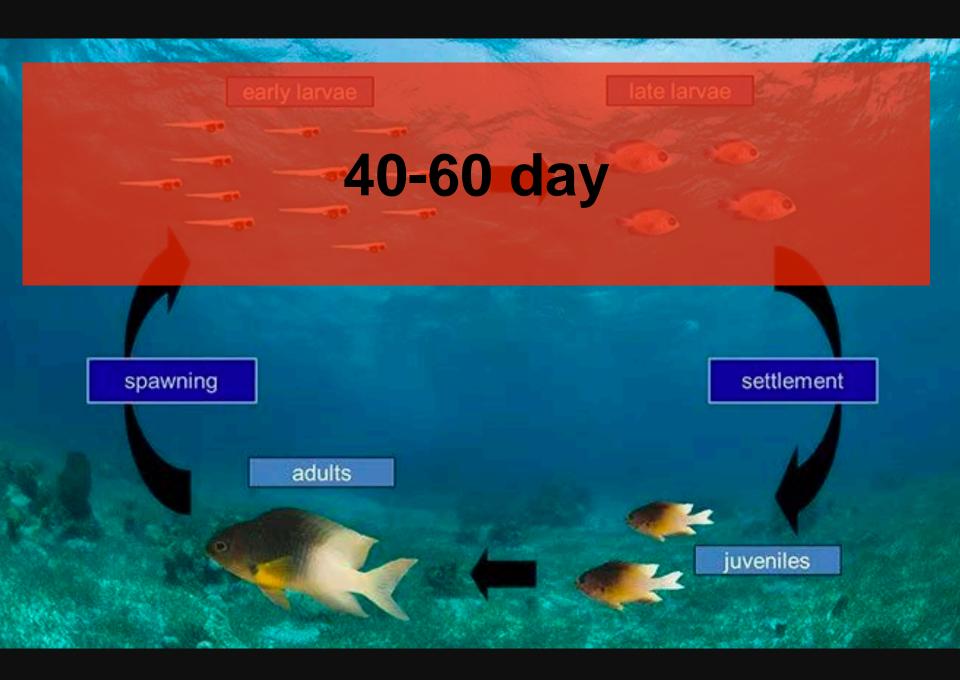
Provides insights into the mechanisms that influence evolution

 Information can be used to inform management and conservation strategies

# Informing proper management

- Barriers to dispersal
- Identify vulnerable areas and management units
- Characterize source-sink populations
  - "Source" populations
    - Populations that are responsible for seeding other areas
  - "Sink" populations
    - Regions that are dependent on other populations

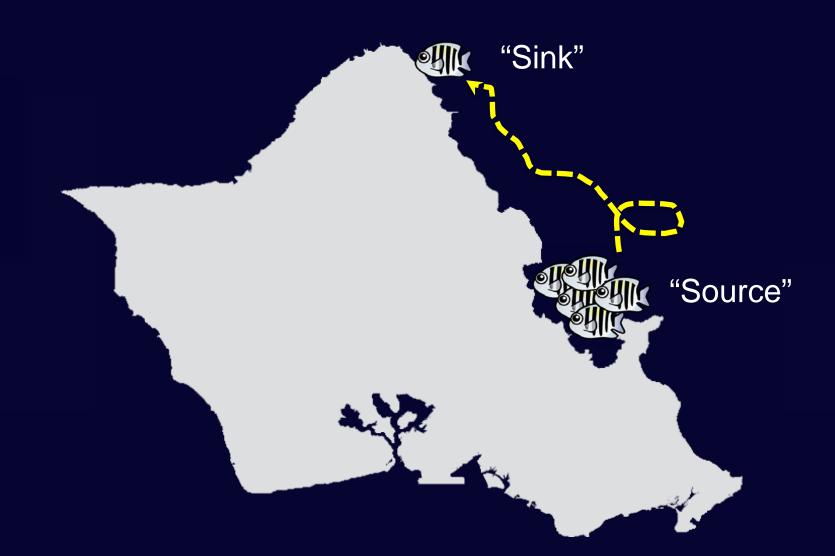




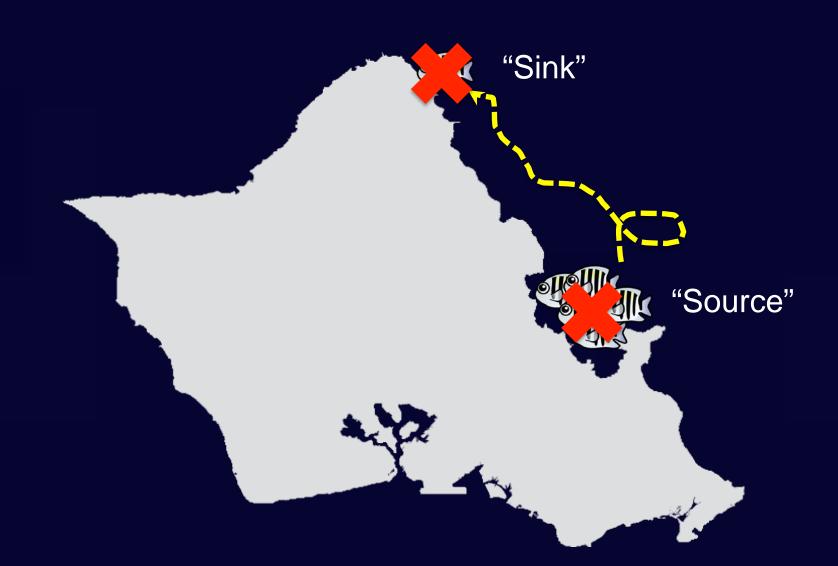


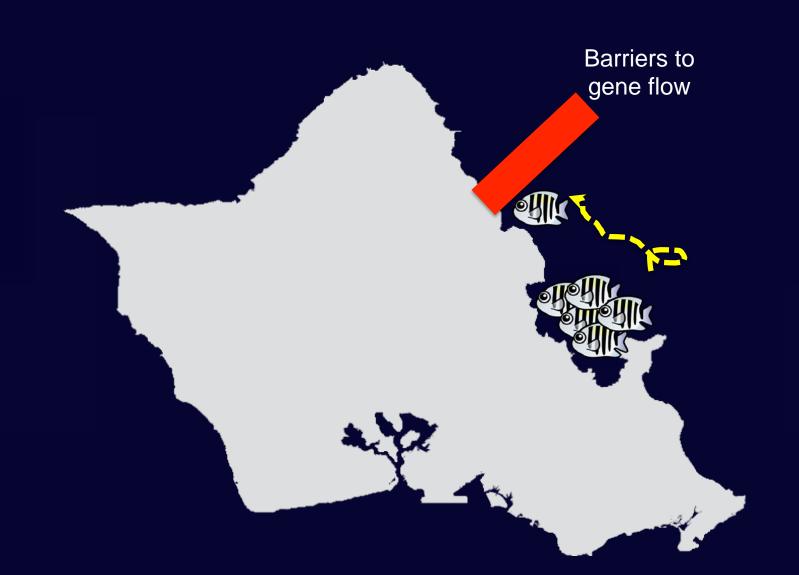












# Barriers to dispersal in terrestrial systems



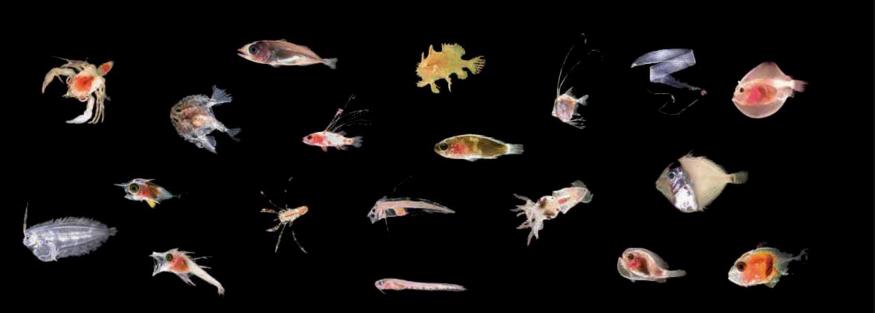
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- Often easy to identify
- Examples:
  - Rivers
  - Mountain Ranges
  - Islands

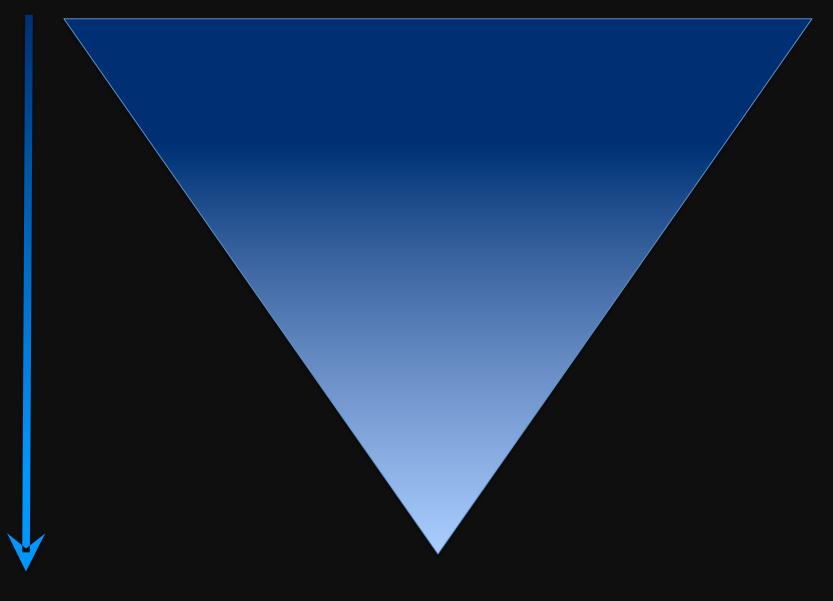
# Barriers in marine systems



Most marine organisms have larvae that can drift for weeks to months



# Spatial Scales





#### Ocean Basins Range-wide (Indian and Pacific Oceans)

#### Archipelago Hawaiian Archipelago

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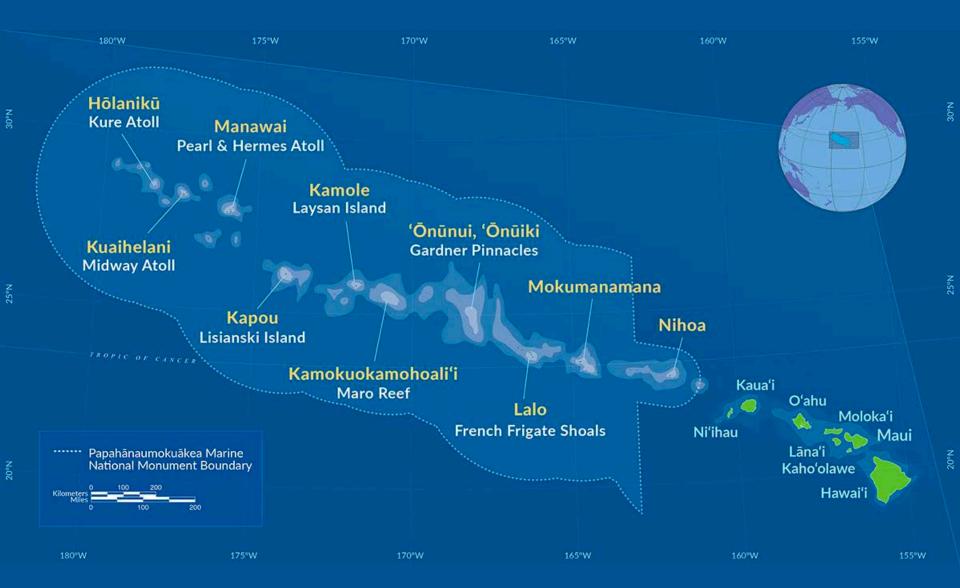
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### **Conservation/Management**

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#### Archipelago





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# Main Hawaiian Islands



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20°N

165°W

160°W

155°W

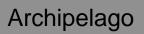
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20°N

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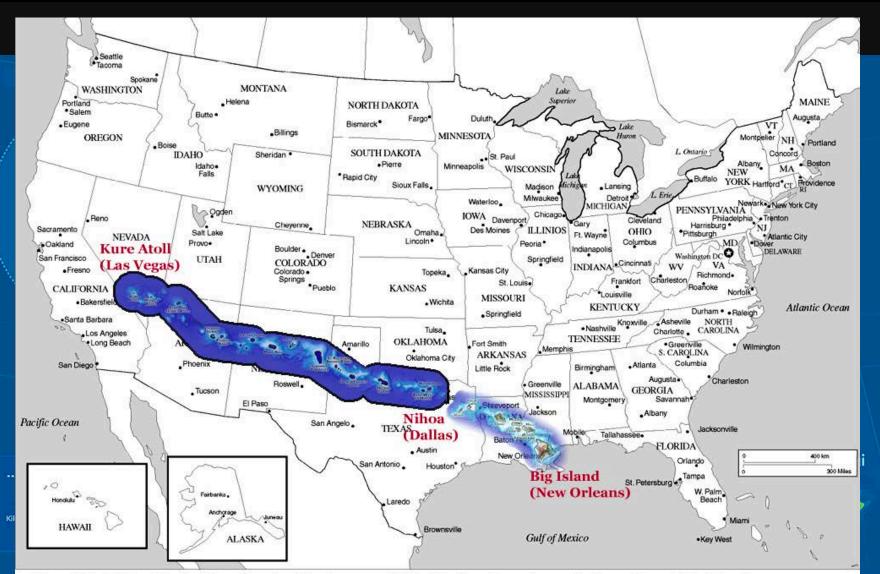
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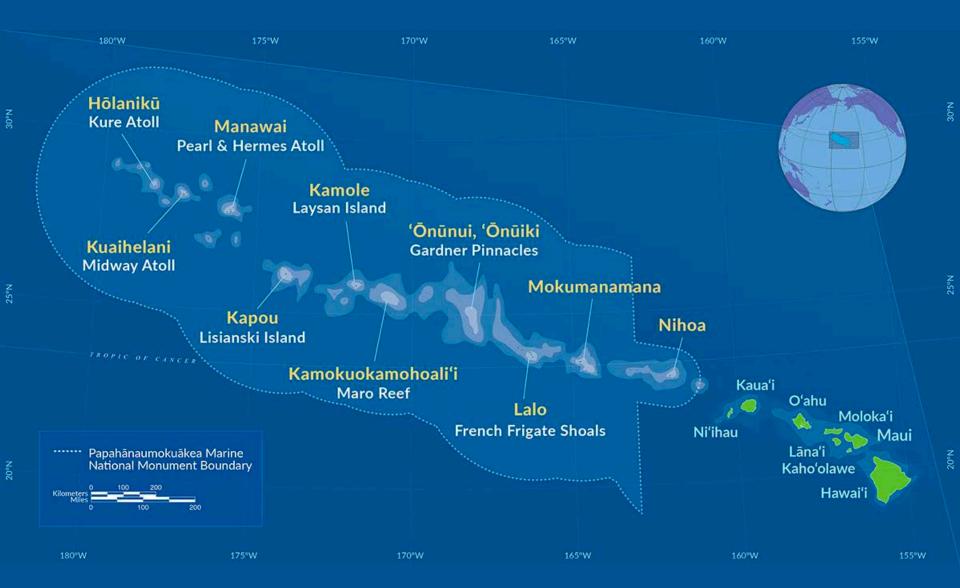
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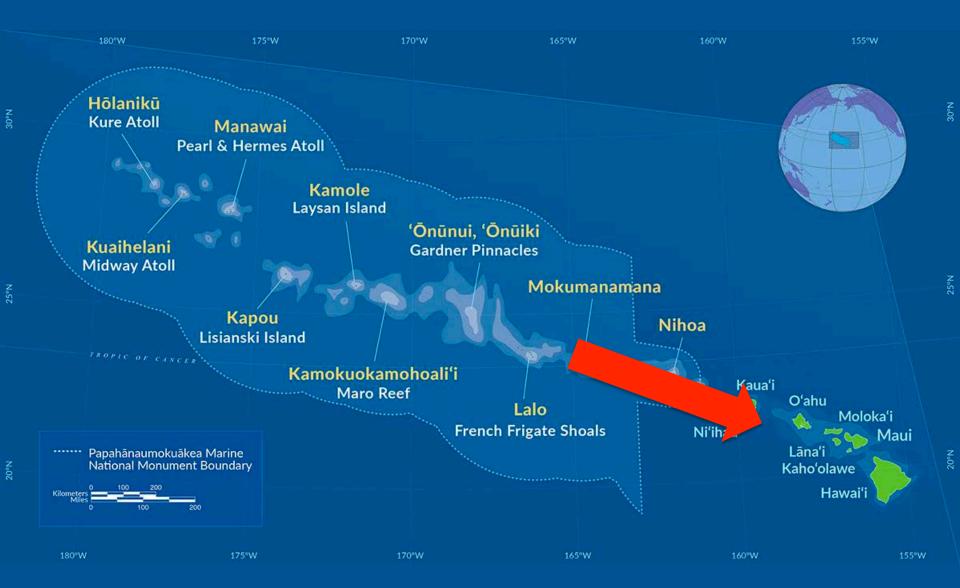
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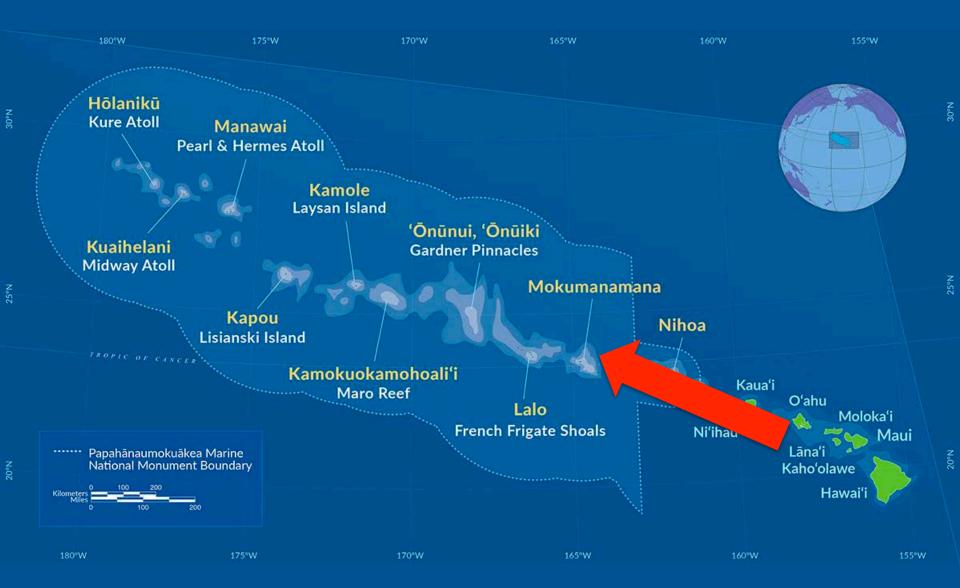
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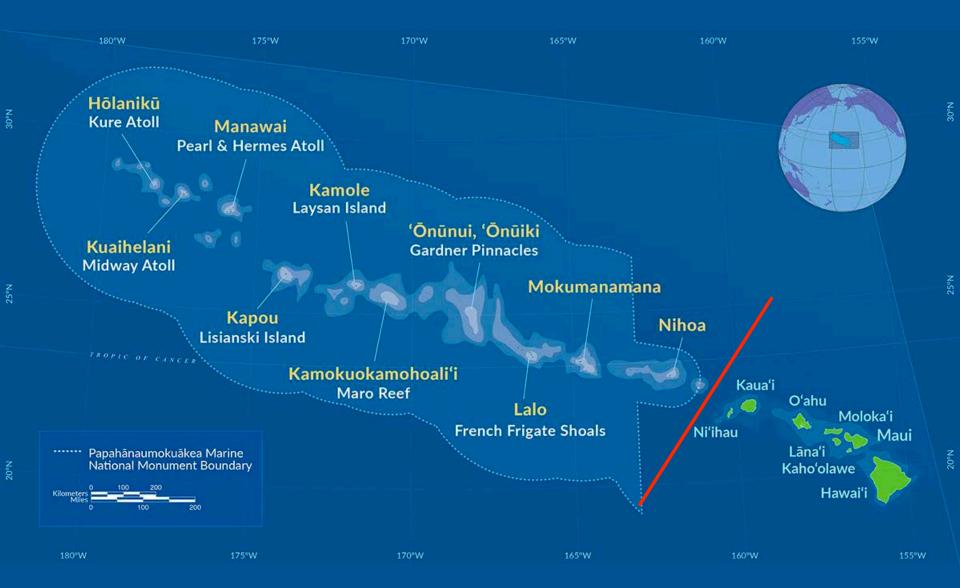
Map of the USA with the Hawaiian Archipelago overlaid. Black outline shows the boundary of the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands Coral Reef Ecosystem Reserve, which is 1200 Nautical Miles long by 100 Nautical Miles wide and has an area roughly the same size as Florida and Georgia combined, or 131,800 square statute miles.

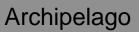






### Hawaiian Archipelago





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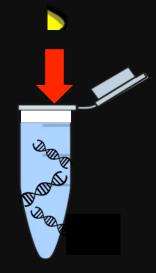
#### Collect tissue sample





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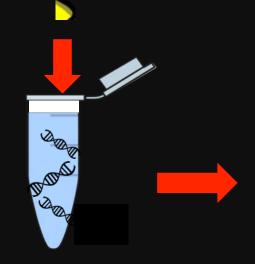




Extract & Isolate DNA



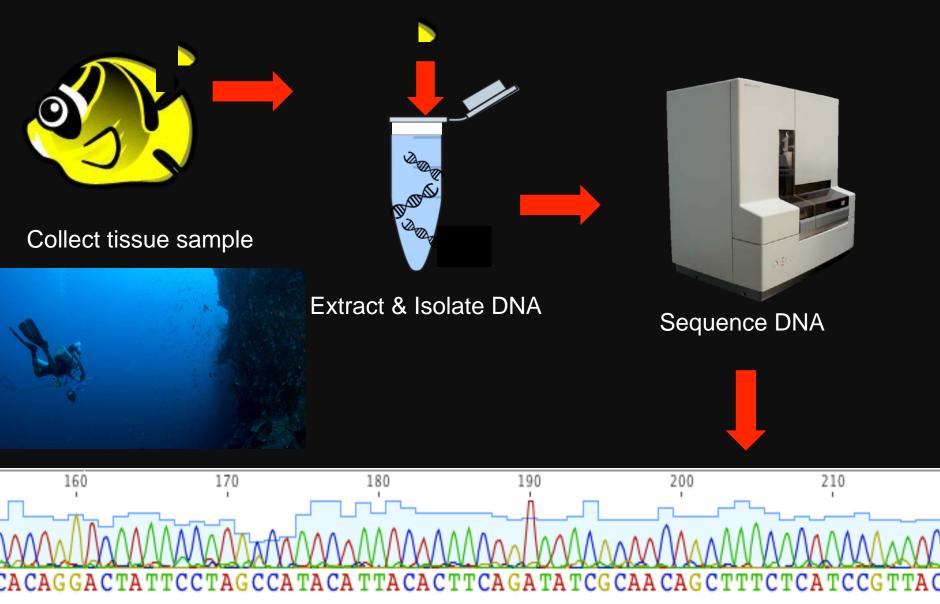
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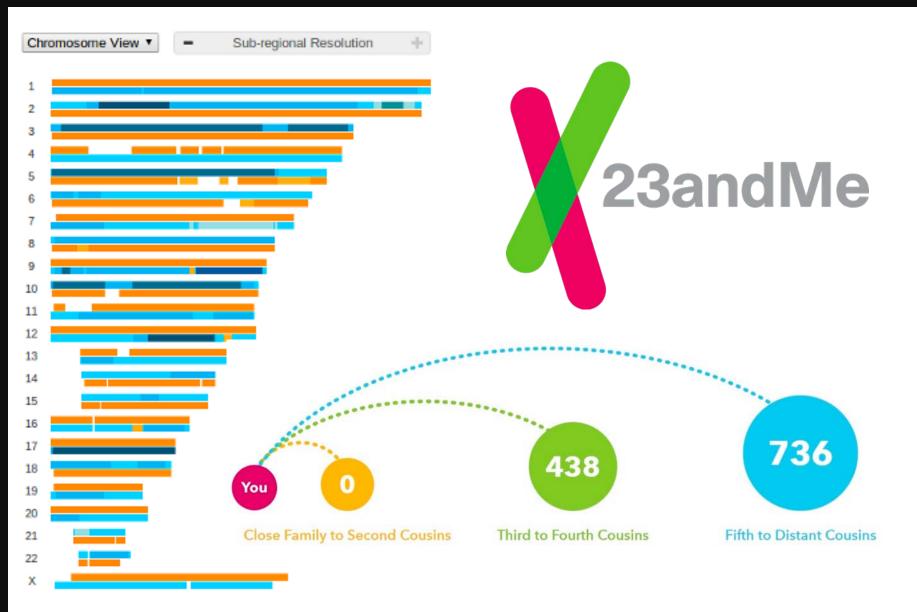
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Sequence DNA



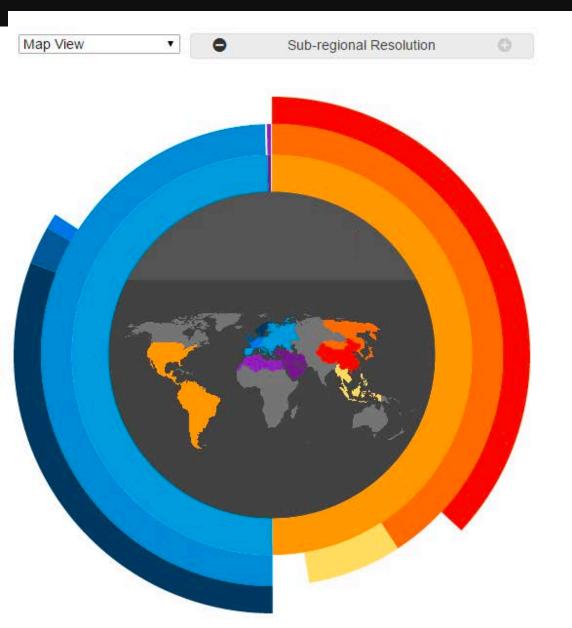


# Using genetic methods

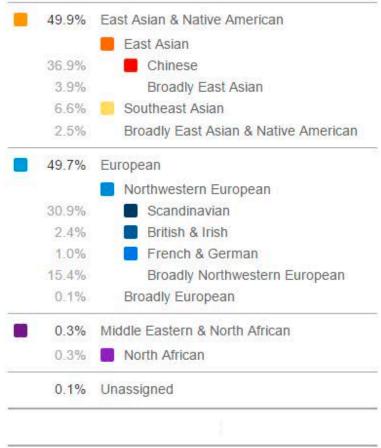


# Using genetic methods

### 23andMe

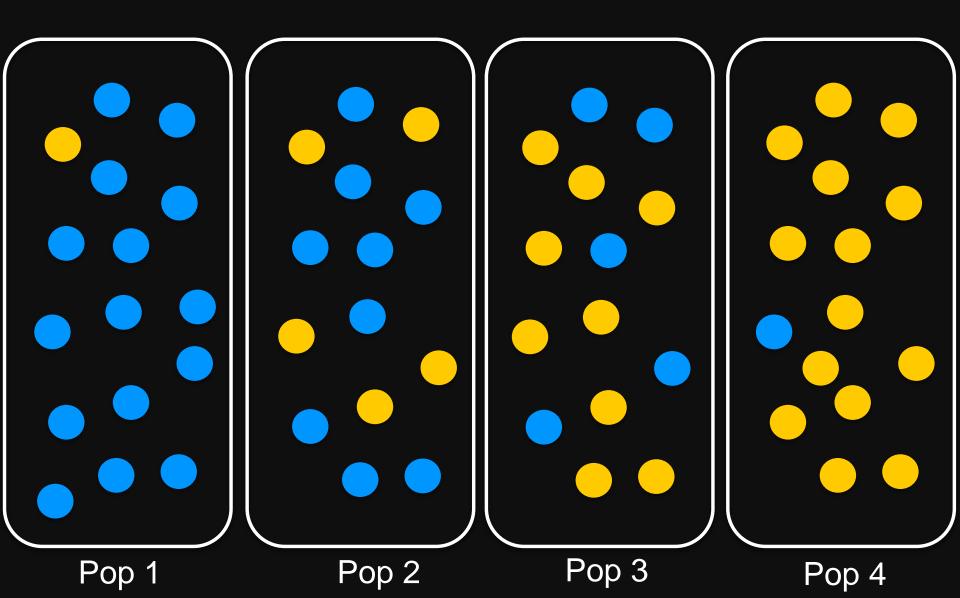


Ancestry Composition tells you what percent of your DNA comes from each of 31 populations worldwide. This analysis includes DNA you received from all of your recent ancestors, on both sides of your family. The results reflect where your ancestors lived before the widespread migrations of the past few hundred years.

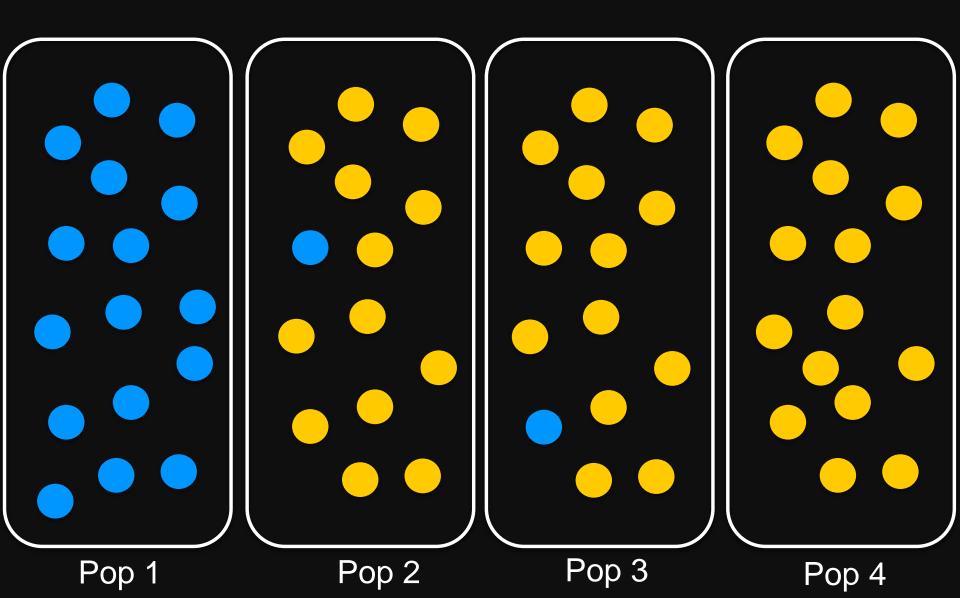


show all populations

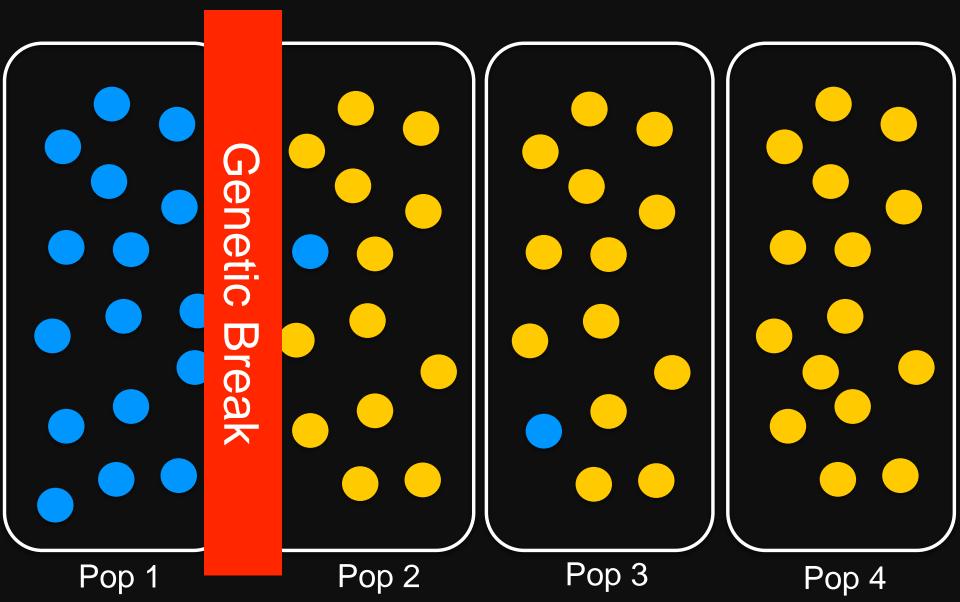
## **Population Genetics Example**



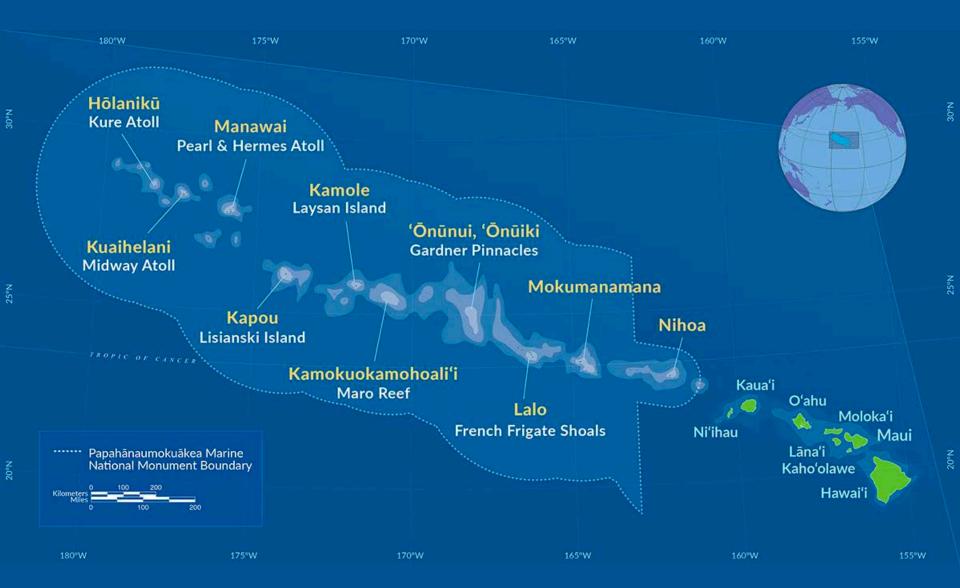
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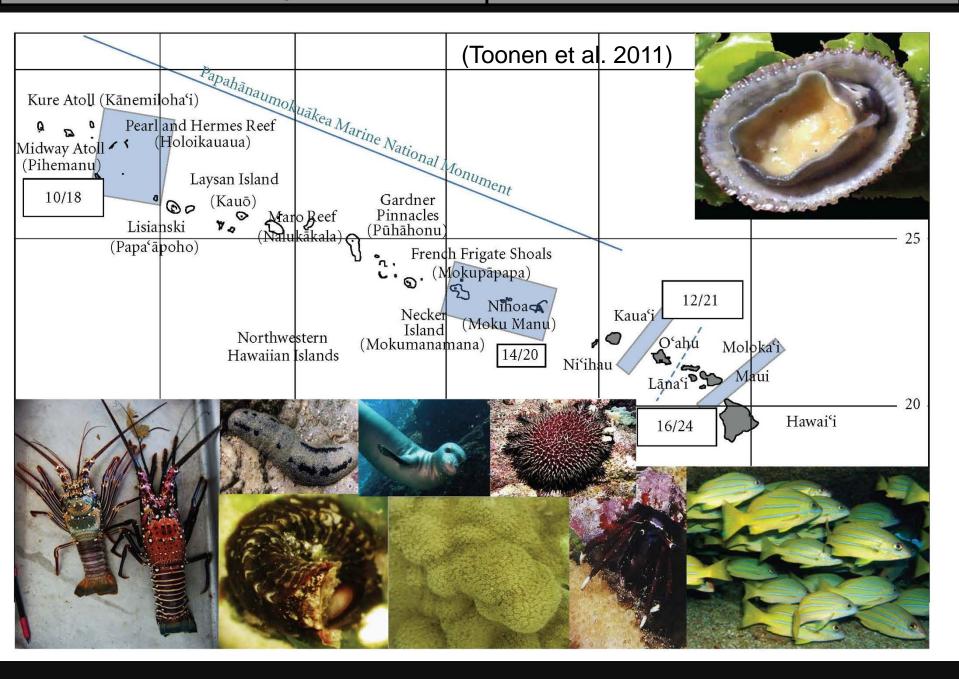
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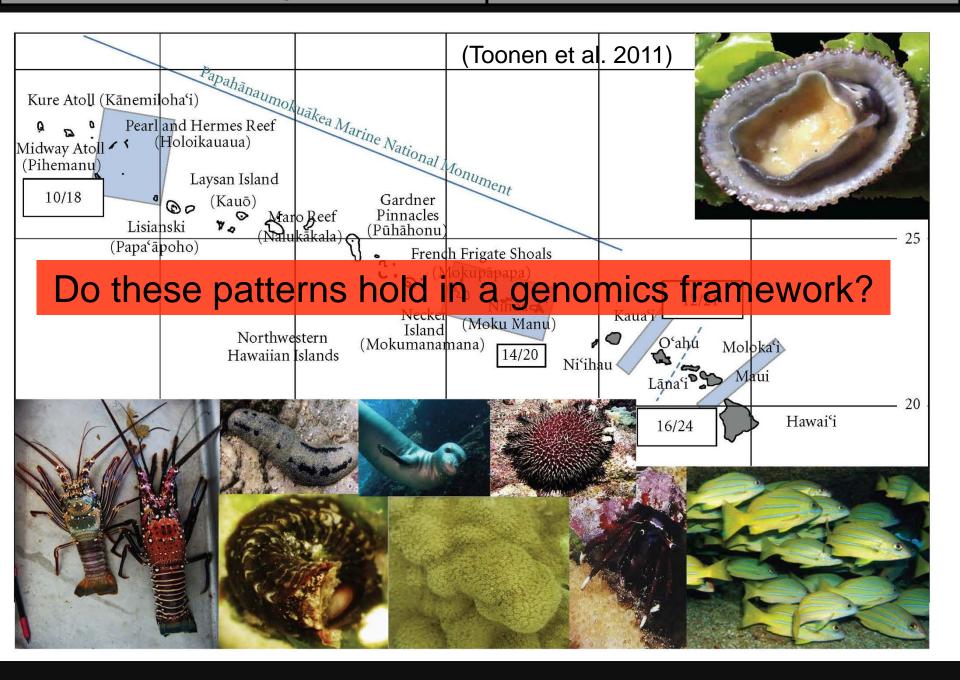
### Hawaiian Archipelago



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### Manini (Acanthurus triostegus)



- PLD: 54-70 days
- Indo-Pacific

### Kole (Ctenocheatus strigosus)



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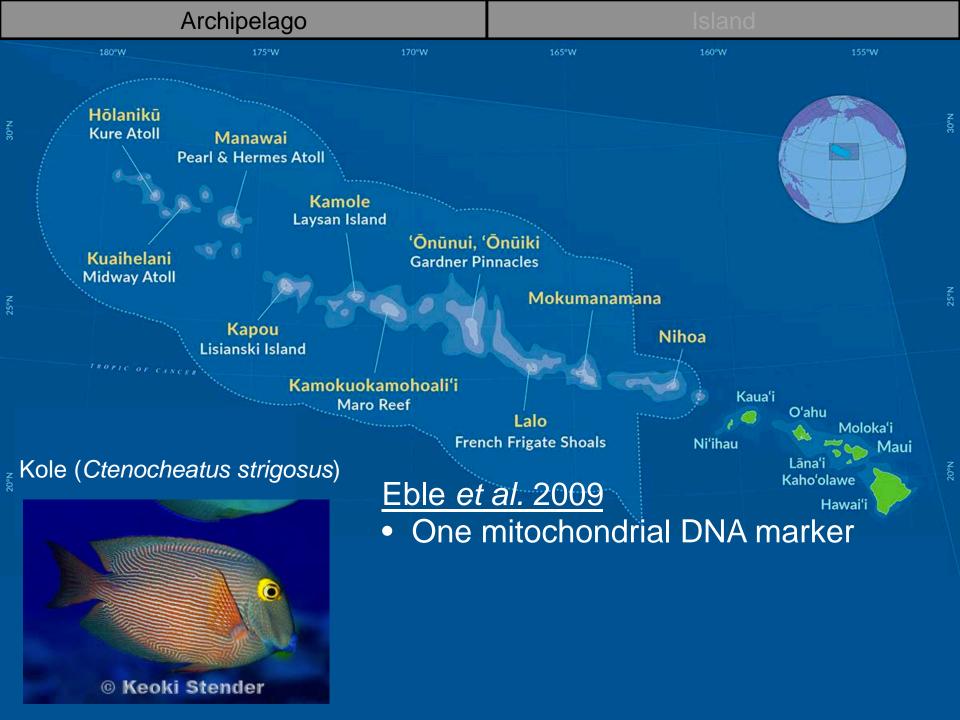
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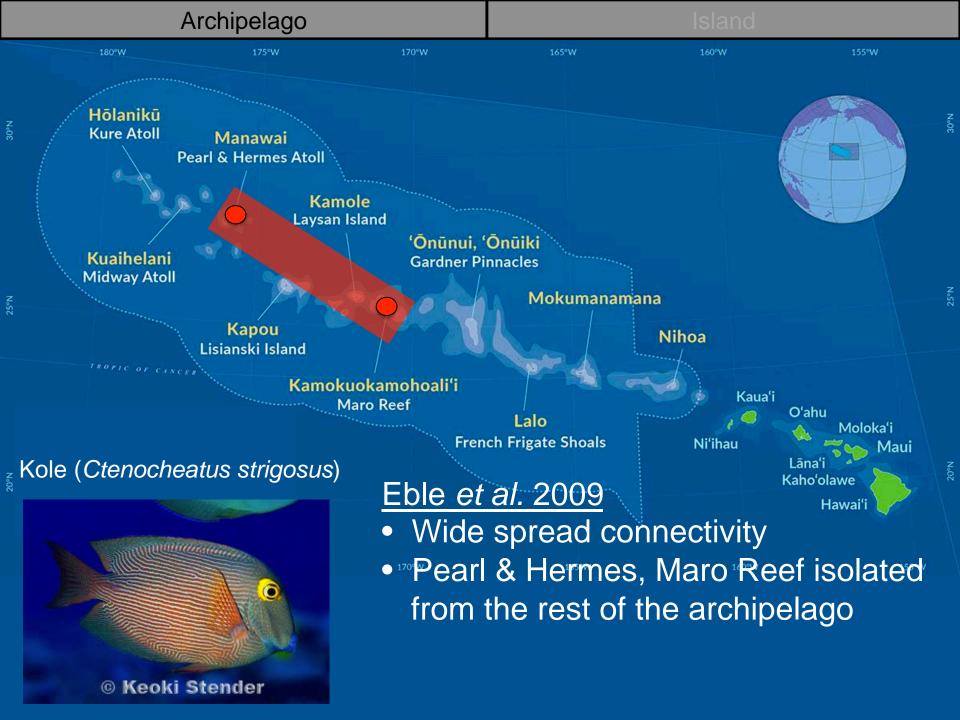
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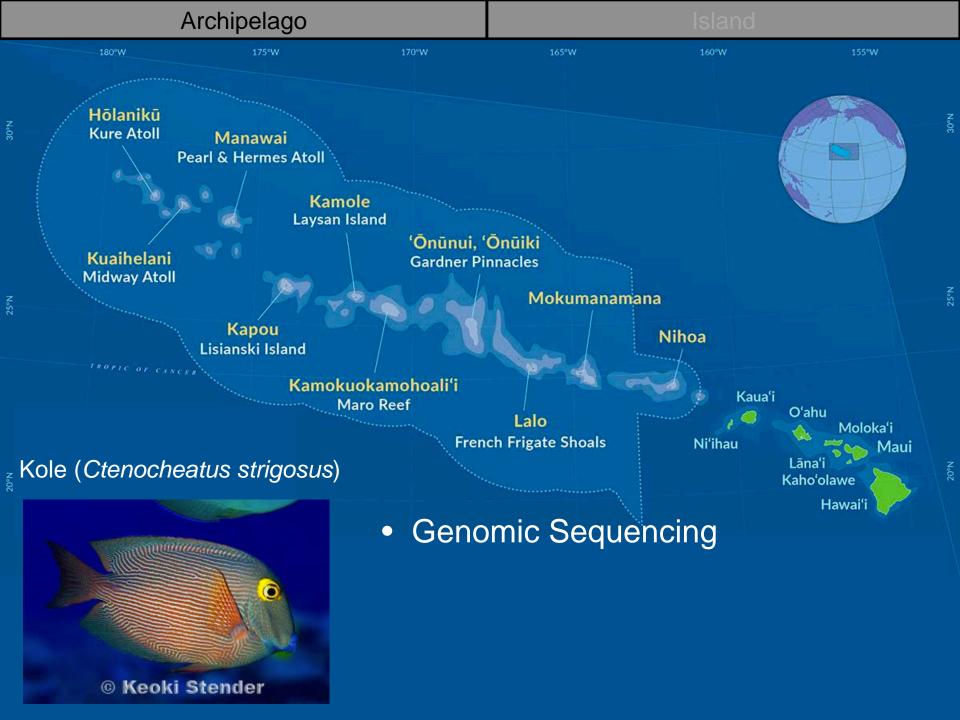


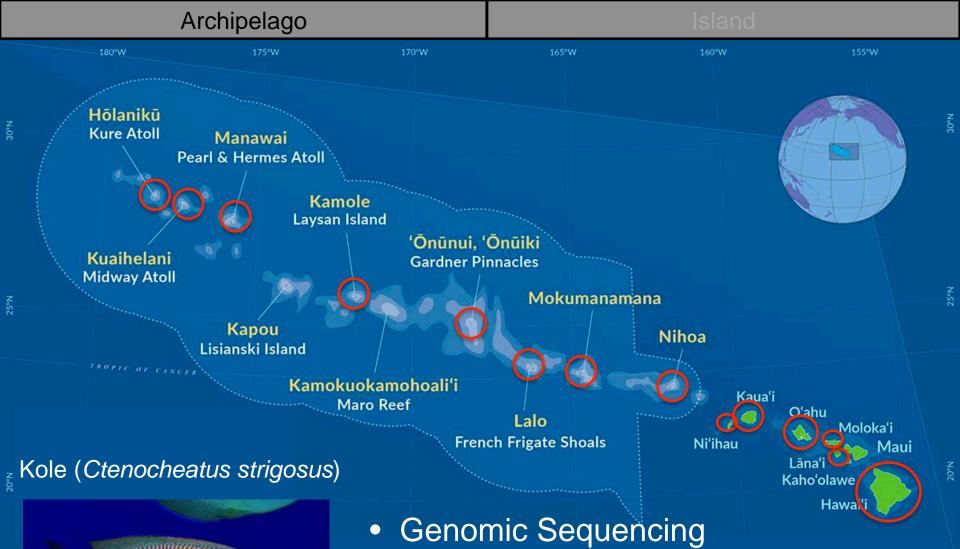
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Do these species show similar connectivity patterns across the Hawaiian Archipelago?



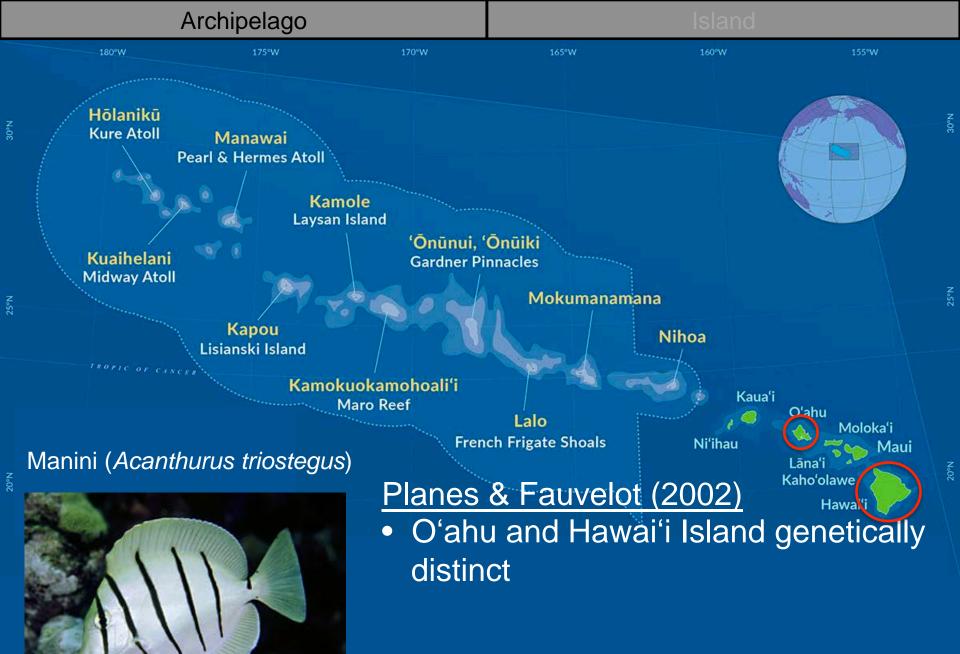




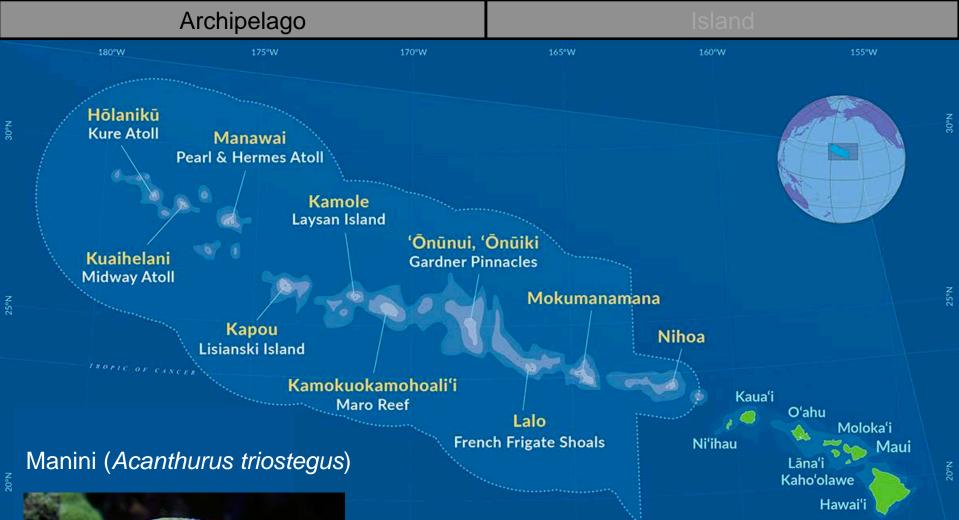


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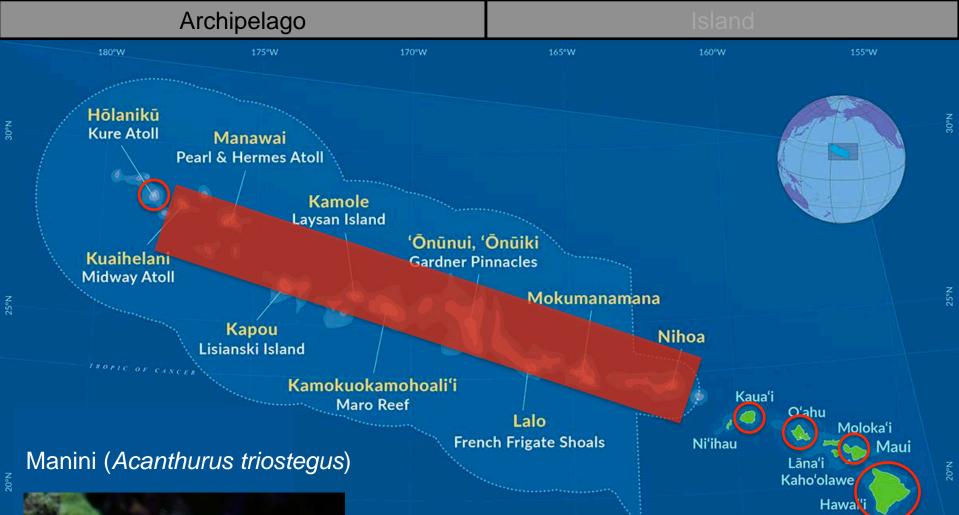
- Each Island is genetically distinct
- Each island needs to be managed independently



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- Genomic Sequencing





- Genomic Sequencing
- Each MHI, Kure; isolated populations
- <u>NWHI + Johnston</u> genetically homogenous

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### **Conclusions:** Archipelago

Manini (Acanthurus triostegus)

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Kole (Ctenocheatus strigosus)



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  - First account in Hawaiian fishes

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### **Conclusions:** Archipelago

Manini (Acanthurus triostegus)



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Genomics provides finer scale resolution for identifying connectivity patterns

- Widespread connectivity in NWHI
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### **Conclusions:** Archipelago

#### Manini (Acanthurus triostegus)



Kole (Ctenocheatus strigosus)



### **Management Implications**

MHI are separate populations from the NWHI

# Smaller spatial scales: Island

- Archipelago

   assessment shows
   that each MHI is
   distinct
- Island assessment requires finer scale resolution
  - Parentage analysis



### Parentage Analysis



# Recreational Fisheries in Hawai'i

- Heavy pressure of fish communities
- Not well regulated
- Estimated that 31% of Hawai'i residents participate in recreational fishing (Hamnett et al. 2006)
- 36% of the total catch is attributed to recreational harvest (WestPac, 2002)



# Problems associated with undermanaged fisheries

- Lead to overfishing
- Prohibit long-term sustainability
  - Inability to maintain food security

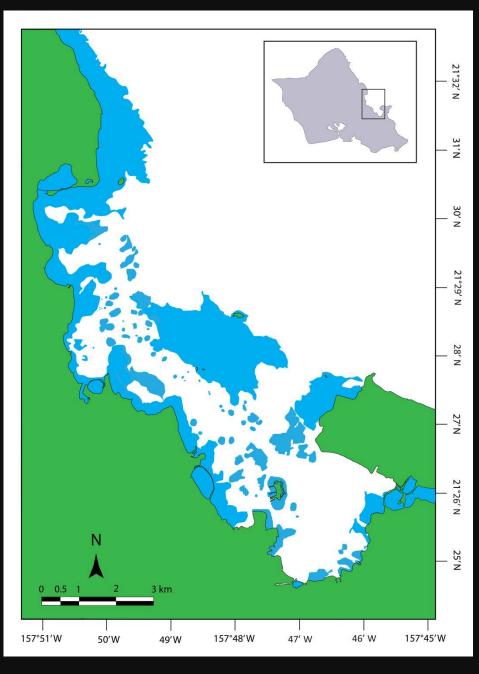


#### Island

#### Archipelago

### Windward Oʻahu

- Identify connectivity and dispersal patterns
- Initiated by Native Hawaiian community leaders to better understand connectivity of resources



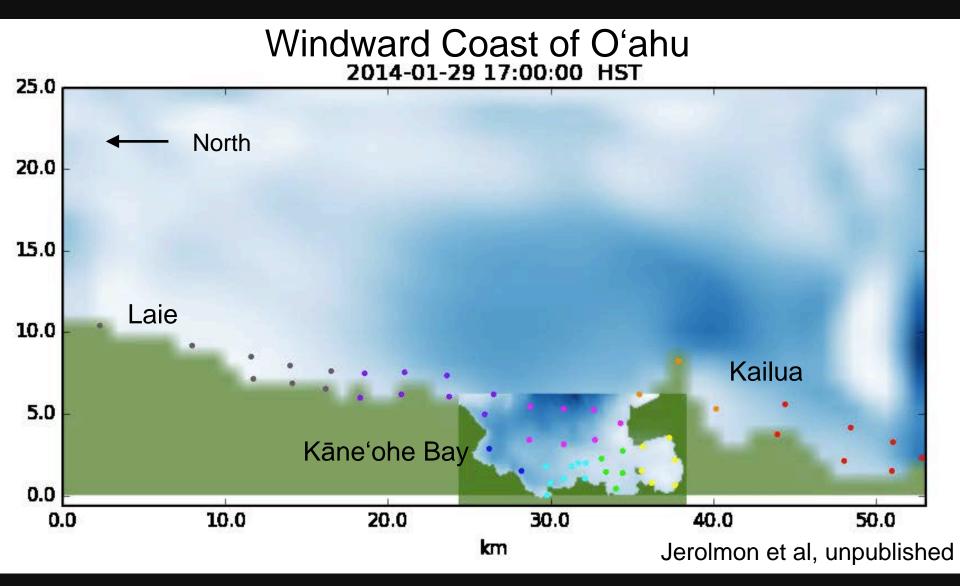
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## Manini, Acanthurus triostegus





- Identified by communities leaders as an important fish stock
- Abundant throughout Hawai'i
- Heavily targeted by recreational fishers

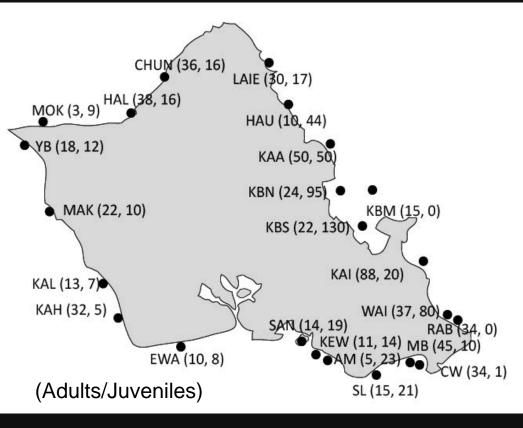


## Goal

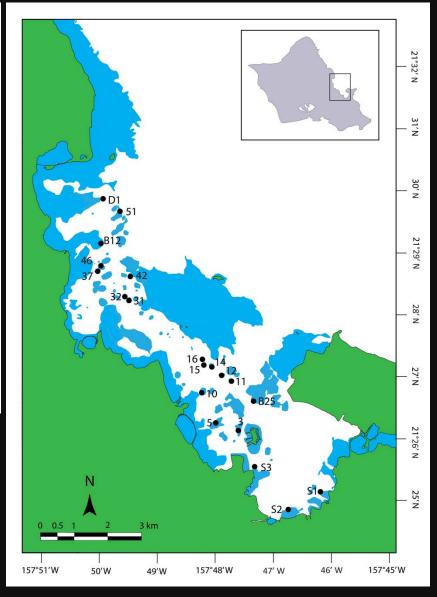
- Identify dispersal pathways
   Source and sink populations
- Identify areas that may be vulnerable to fishing pressure

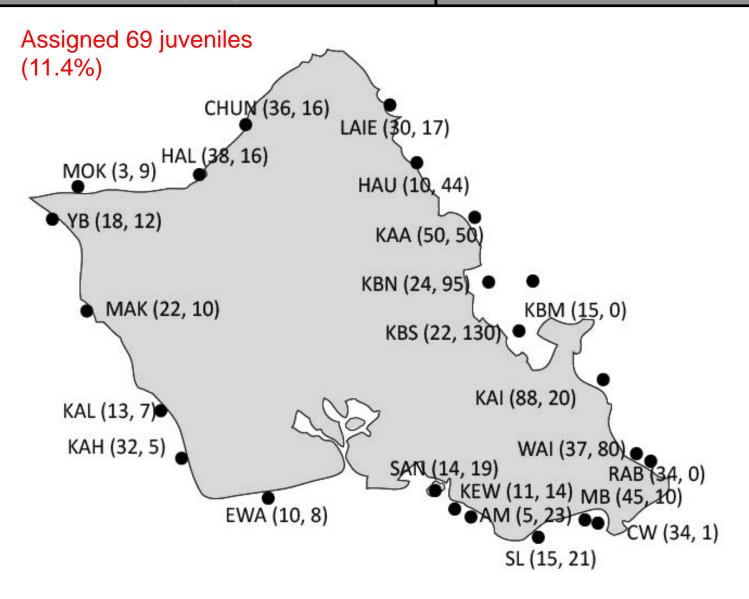
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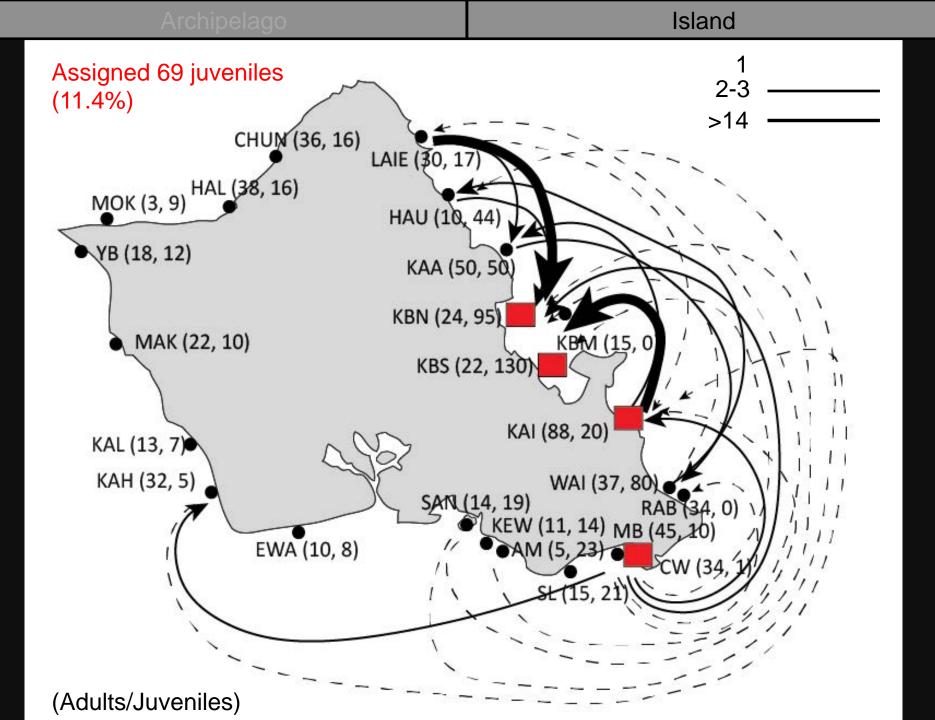


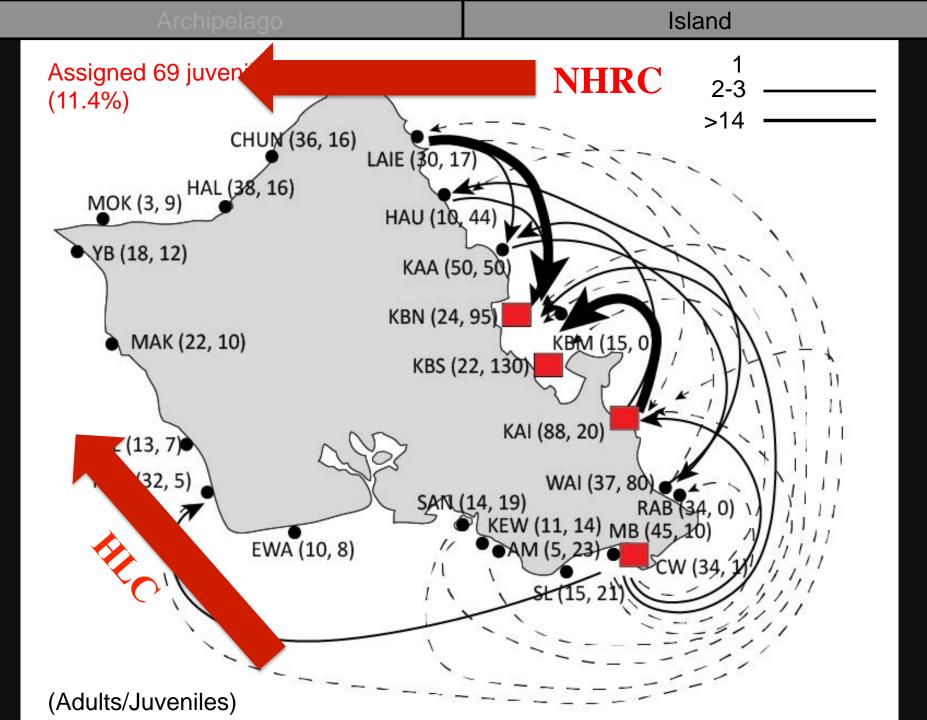
 Collected 606 adults, 607 juveniles

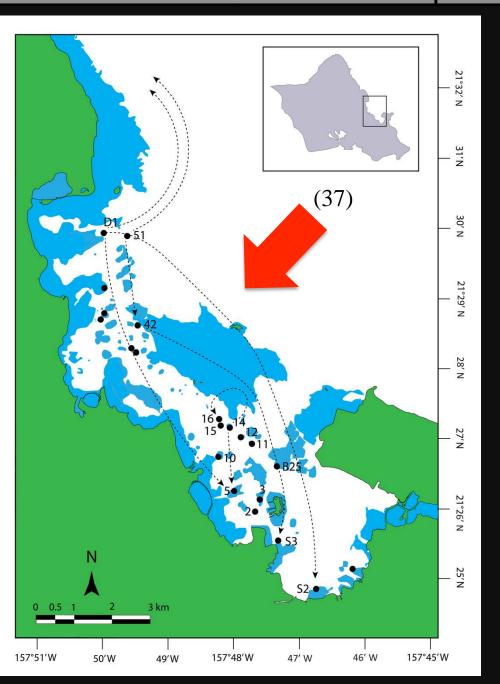




(Adults/Juveniles)







#### Six occurrences of retention inside Kāne'ohe Bay

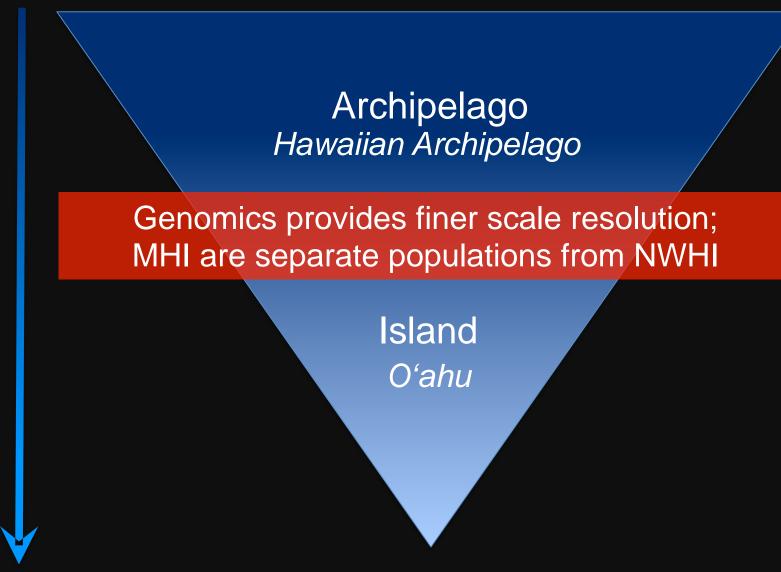
 Two instances of dispersal out of the bay (Hau'ula, Lā'ie)

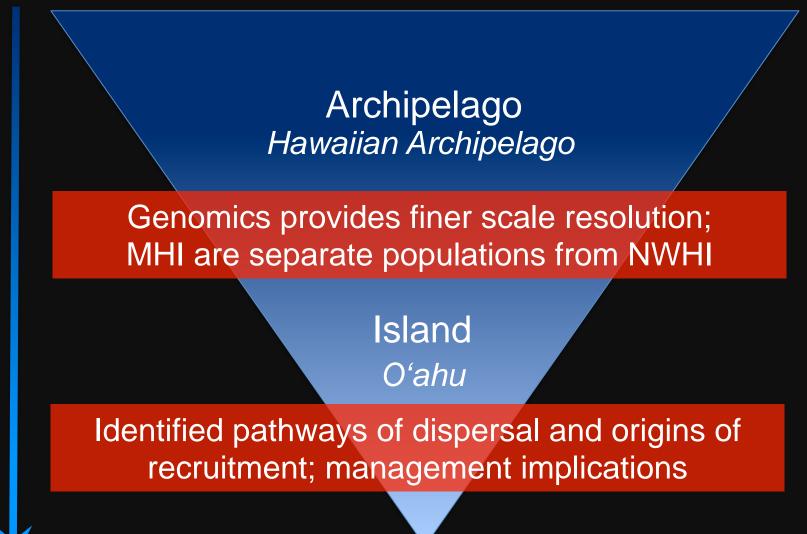
# Conclusions: Island

- Majority of larvae do not disperse far
  - Most dispersal is limited to the <30 km</li>
  - Some indication of local retention
- East O'ahu is a source for recruitment
  - Kāne'ohe Bay is dependent on recruitment from outside of the bay
    - Management Implications
  - Not many adults within the bay

#### Archipelago Hawaiian Archipelago

Island *Oʻahu* 









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Once I got very excited to find some bones in a trench, thinking it may have been a midden, then the KFC wrapper emerged. #fieldworkfail

• Misidentifications in the field

## How many species do you see?



#### How many species do you see?









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- Misidentifications in the field
- Incorrect labeling
- Inadequate sample size
- Making sure DNA remains stable
  - Proper preservation solution
  - Avoid extreme heat
- Contamination

#### Genetics as a tool

- Genetics be can useful in addressing a variety of questions
- Provides insight into evolutionary mechanisms
- Informs management and conservation
- As molecular technology advances, our ability to answer questions increases

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# Questions?