

### Supplemental Methods:

Shannon-Weiner's ( $H'$ ), Simpson's ( $D$ ) and Simpson's reciprocal ( $D'$ ) indices of diversity, Simpson's ( $E$ ) and Pielou's indices of evenness ( $J'$ ) calculations were adapted from Magurran (2013) and are listed below for reference:

$$H' = - \sum_{i=1}^S p_i \ln p_i \quad \text{Shannon-Weiner's index of diversity } (H') \quad (1)$$

$$D = 1 - \sum_{i=1}^S p_i^2 \quad \text{Simpson's index of diversity } (D) \quad (2)$$

$$D' = 1 / \sum_{i=1}^S p_i^2 \quad \text{Simpson's reciprocal index of diversity } (D') \quad (3)$$

$$E = D' / S \quad \text{Simpson's index of evenness } (E) \quad (4)$$

$$J' = \frac{H'}{\ln S} \quad \text{Pielou's index of evenness } (J') \quad (5)$$

Where  $S$  is total number of probes and  $p_i$  is proportion of total abundance in sample belonging to the  $i^{th}$  probe.

### References:

Magurran AE (2013). *Measuring biological diversity*. John Wiley & Sons.