

1 **Independent domestication events in the blue-cheese fungus *Penicillium***  
2 ***roqueforti***  
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24 **Abstract**

25 Domestication provides an excellent framework for studying adaptive divergence. Using population  
26 genomics and phenotypic assays, we reconstructed the domestication history of the blue cheese  
27 mold *Penicillium roqueforti*. We showed that this fungus was domesticated twice independently.  
28 The population used in Roquefort originated from an old domestication event associated with weak  
29 bottlenecks and exhibited traits beneficial for pre-industrial cheese production (slower growth in  
30 cheese and greater spore production on bread, the traditional multiplication medium). The other  
31 cheese population originated more recently from the selection of a single clonal lineage, was  
32 associated to all types of blue cheese worldwide but Roquefort, and displayed phenotypes more  
33 suited for industrial cheese production (high lipolytic activity, efficient cheese cavity colonization  
34 ability and salt tolerance). We detected genomic regions affected by recent positive selection and  
35 putative horizontal gene transfers. This study sheds light on the processes of rapid adaptation and  
36 raises questions about genetic resource conservation.

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## 39 **Introduction**

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41 What are the mechanisms of adaptive divergence (population differentiation under selection) is a  
42 key question in evolutionary biology for understanding how organisms adapt to their environment  
43 and how biodiversity arises. Domestication is a special case of adaptive divergence, involving strong  
44 and recent selection for traits that can be easily identified. Furthermore, closely related non-  
45 domesticated populations are often available, making it possible to contrast their traits and genomes  
46 with those of domesticated populations. Studying domestication can therefore provide a deeper  
47 understanding of the mechanisms of adaptive divergence. This approach has proved to be powerful  
48 for reconstructing the history of divergence and the genetic architecture of traits selected by humans  
49 when applied to maize and teosinte or to dog breeds and wolves (Albert et al., 2012; Axelsson et  
50 al., 2013; Freedman et al., 2016; Hake and Ross-Ibarra, 2015; Li et al., 2016; Wang et al., 2015)  
51 Comparisons of domesticated varieties selected for different phenotypes have also proved to be a  
52 powerful approach for elucidating the mechanisms of adaptation, for example in dog breeds and  
53 pigeons (Parker et al., 2017; Shapiro et al., 2013)]. Studies on genetic diversity and subdivision in  
54 domesticated organisms provides also crucial information for the conservation of genetic resources.  
55 Indeed, recent breeding programs have resulted in a massive loss of genetic diversity in crops and  
56 breeds, potentially jeopardizing adaptive potential for improvement (Gouyon et al., 2010; Harlan,  
57 1992; Vavilov, 1992).

58 Fungi are interesting eukaryotic models for adaptive divergence studies, with their small  
59 genomes, easy access to the haploid phase and experimental tractability for *in vitro* experiments  
60 (Giraud et al., 2017; Gladieux et al., 2014). Many fungi are used as food sources (Dupont et al.,  
61 2016) and some have been domesticated for food production. Propagation of the latter is controlled  
62 by humans, and this has resulted in genetic differentiation from wild populations (Almeida et al.,

63 2017, 2014; Gallone et al., 2016; Gibbons et al., 2012; Gonçalves et al., 2016) and the evolution of  
64 specific phenotypes beneficial for humans (Dupont et al., 2016; Gallone et al., 2016; Gibbons et al.,  
65 2012; Gibbons and Rinker, 2015; Marsit et al., 2015). *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* yeasts  
66 domesticated for fermentation have provided important insight into adaptive divergence  
67 mechanisms, with different yeast lineages independently domesticated for different usages  
68 (Borneman et al., 2011; Gonçalves et al., 2016; Peter et al., 2018). Studies about yeast adaptation  
69 for alcohol and cheese production have highlighted the proximal genomic mechanisms involved,  
70 including horizontal gene transfer, selective sweep, hybridization and introgression (Legras et al.,  
71 2018; Marsit et al., 2015; Morales and Dujon, 2012; Novo et al., 2009; Peter et al., 2018).

72 *Penicillium roqueforti*, a filamentous fungus used in the dairy industry to impart the typical  
73 veins and flavor of blue cheeses, has recently emerged as an excellent model for studying adaptive  
74 divergence (Cheeseman et al., 2014; Ropars et al., 2015). Blue cheeses, including Roquefort,  
75 Gorgonzola and Stilton, are highly emblematic foods that have been produced for centuries (Vabre,  
76 2015). The strongest genetic subdivision reported in *P. roqueforti* concerns the differentiation of a  
77 cheese-specific population that has acquired faster growth in cheese than other populations and  
78 better excludes competitors, thanks to very recent horizontal gene transfers, at the expense of slower  
79 growth on minimal medium (Gillot et al., 2015; Ropars et al., 2015, 2017). Such genetic  
80 differentiation and recent acquisition of traits beneficial to cheesemaking in *P. roqueforti* suggests  
81 genuine domestication, i.e., adaptation under selection by humans for traits beneficial for food  
82 production. A second population identified in *P. roqueforti* and lacking the horizontally-transferred  
83 regions includes strains isolated from cheese and other environments, such as silage, lumber and  
84 spoiled food (Gillot et al., 2015; Ropars et al., 2014, 2017). *Penicillium roqueforti* is the main  
85 contaminant of silage, spoilage typically occurring following breaks in plastic or after opening the  
86 stack for cattle feeding. In this context, it can produce harmful mycotoxins causing health disorder  
87 in cattle (Malekinejad et al., 2015). In addition, *P. roqueforti* is one of the most common *Penicillium*

88 species in spoiled food, where it is also responsible for mycotoxin production (Rundberget et al.,  
89 2004). The existence of further genetic subdivision separating populations according to the original  
90 environment, or protected designation of origin (PDO) for cheese strains has been suggested, but,  
91 because it was based only on a few microsatellite markers, the resolution power was low (Gillot et  
92 al., 2015; Ropars et al., 2014, 2017). Secondary metabolite production (aroma compounds and  
93 mycotoxins) and proteolysis activity have been shown to differ between strains from different PDOs  
94 (Gillot et al., 2017). A high-quality *P. roqueforti* genome reference is available (Cheeseman et al.,  
95 2014), allowing more powerful analyses based on population genomics.

96 Another asset of *P. roqueforti* as an evolutionary model is the availability of vast collections  
97 of cheese strains and of historical records concerning cheesemaking (Aussibal, 1983; Labbe and  
98 Serres, 2009, 2004; Marre, 1906; Marres, 1935; Vabre, 2010). While the presence of *P. roqueforti*  
99 in cheeses was initially fortuitous, since the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century, milk or curd has been inoculated  
100 with the spores of this fungus for Roquefort cheese production. Spores were initially multiplied on  
101 bread, before the advent of more controlled *in vitro* culture techniques in the 20<sup>th</sup> century (Aussibal,  
102 1983; Labbe and Serres, 2009, 2004; Marre, 1906; Marres, 1935; Vabre, 2010). Bread was  
103 inoculated by recycling spores from the best cheeses from the previous production (i.e., back-  
104 slopping) (Aussibal, 1983; Labbe and Serres, 2009, 2004; Marre, 1906; Marres, 1935; Vabre, 2010).  
105 This corresponds to yearly selection events since the 19<sup>th</sup> century until ca. 20 years ago when strains  
106 were stored in freezers. After World War II, strains were isolated in the laboratory for industrial use  
107 and selected based on their technological and organoleptic impact in cheeses and compounds  
108 produced (Besana et al., 2017), which have likely accelerated domestication. This history further  
109 suggests that there may have been genuine domestication, i.e., an adaptive evolution triggered by  
110 human selection for cheese quality. Unintentional selection may also have been exerted on other  
111 traits, including growth and spore production on bread, the traditional multiplication substrate.

112 By sequencing multiple *P. roqueforti* genomes from different environments and analyzing

113 large collections of cheese strains, we provide evidence for adaptive divergence. We identified four  
114 genetically differentiated populations, two including only cheese strains and two other populations  
115 including silage- and food-spoiling strains. We inferred that the two cheese populations  
116 corresponded to two independent domestication events. The first cheese population corresponded  
117 to strains used for Roquefort production and arose through a weaker and older domestication event,  
118 with multiple strains probably originating from different cultures on local farms in the PDO area,  
119 presumably initially selected for slow growth before the invention of refrigeration systems. The  
120 second cheese population experienced an independent and more recent domestication event  
121 associated with a stronger genetic bottleneck. The non-Roquefort cheese population showed  
122 beneficial traits for modern industrial production of cheese (e.g. faster growth in salted cheese, more  
123 efficient cheese cavity colonization and faster lipid degradation activities), while the Roquefort  
124 cheese population showed greater spore production on bread, the traditional medium for spore  
125 production. The four populations further showed differences in proteolysis activities, with a higher  
126 variance in the cheese populations. The two cheese populations also had different volatile compound  
127 profiles, with likely effects on cheese flavor. These phenotypic differences might be associated with  
128 genomic regions affected by recent positive selection and genomic islands specific to a single cheese  
129 population. Some of these genomic regions may have been acquired by horizontal gene transfers  
130 and have putative functions in the biochemical pathways leading to the development of cheese  
131 flavor.

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## 133 **Results**

### 134 ***Two out of four populations are used for cheesemaking: one specific to the Roquefort PDO and*** 135 ***a worldwide clonal population***

136 We sequenced the genomes of 34 *P. roqueforti* strains from public collections (Ropars et al., 2017),  
137 including 17 isolated from blue cheeses (e.g., Roquefort, Gorgonzola, Stilton), 17 isolated from

138 non-cheese environments (mainly spoiled food, silage, and lumber), and 11 outgroup genomes from  
139 three *Penicillium* species closely related to *P. roqueforti* (Supplementary Table 1). After data  
140 filtering, we identified a total of 115,544 SNPs from the reads mapped against the reference *P.*  
141 *roqueforti* FM164 genome (29x10<sup>6</sup> bp, 48 scaffolds).

142 We used three clustering methods free from assumptions about mating system and mode of  
143 reproduction, based on genetic differences (principal component analyses, SplitsTree and clustering  
144 based on similarities between genotypes along the genomes in 50 SNP-windows). The three  
145 methods separated the *P. roqueforti* strains into four genetic clusters (Figs. 1, 2 and 3), two of which  
146 almost exclusively contained cheese strains (the exceptions being two strains isolated from a  
147 brewery and brioche, Figs. 1 and 2, probably corresponding to feral strains). One cluster contained  
148 both silage strains (N=4) and food-spoiling strains (N=4), and the last cluster contained mostly food-  
149 spoiling strains (N=5) plus strains from lumber (N=2) (Figs. 1 and 2, and Supplementary Table 1).  
150 Noteworthy, these two clusters corresponding to strains from other environments did not include a  
151 single cheese strain. The two cheese clusters were not the most closely related one to each other,  
152 suggesting independent domestication events (Figs. 1 and 2). Moreover, cheese clusters displayed  
153 much lower genetic diversity than non-cheese clusters, as shown by their small  $\Theta$  values  
154 (corresponding to  $4N_e\mu$ , i.e., the product of the effective population size and the mutation rate) and  
155 more homogeneous colors in distance-based clustering (Table 1 and Fig. 2). One of the two cheese  
156 clusters displayed a particularly low level of genetic diversity (Table 1 and Fig. 2) with only 0.03%  
157 polymorphic sites, and a lack of recombination footprints (i.e., a higher level of linkage  
158 disequilibrium, as shown by the more gradual decay of  $r^2$  values (Supplementary Fig. 1), and by the  
159 large single-color blocks along the genomes, Fig. 2). These findings suggest that the second cheese  
160 population is a single clonal lineage. The first cheese population also appears to lack recombination  
161 footprints, while including several clonal lineages (Fig. 2). Given such a lack of recombination  
162 footprints, clustering methods free of assumptions on modes of recombination were better suited to

163 analyse the dataset. The Structure software, that assumes random mating, nevertheless yielded  
164 similar results (Supplementary Fig. 2).

165 We used genome sequences to design genetic markers (Supplementary Table 2) for assigning a  
166 collection of 65 strains provided by the main French supplier of *P. roqueforti* spores for artisanal  
167 and industrial cheesemakers, 18 additional strains from the National History Museum collection in  
168 Paris (LCP) and 31 strains from the collection of the Université de Bretagne Occidentale (UBOCC,  
169 Supplementary Table 1) to the four genetic clusters. Out of these 148 strains, 55 were assigned to  
170 the more genetically diverse of the two cheese clusters. The majority of these strains included strains  
171 used for Roquefort PDO cheese production (N=30); three strains originated from Bleu des Causses  
172 cheeses (Supplementary Fig. 3, Supplementary Table 1), produced in the same area as Roquefort  
173 and using similarly long storage in caves. The remaining strains of this cluster included samples  
174 from other blue cheeses (N=13), unknown blue cheeses (N=5) or other environments (N=4), the  
175 latter likely associated with feral strains. Because of the strong bias of usage toward Roquefort  
176 production, we refer to this cluster hereafter as the “Roquefort population”. Of the remaining 95  
177 strains, 60 belonged to the second cheese cluster, which was less genetically diverse and contained  
178 mainly commercial strains used to produce a wide range of blue cheeses (Supplementary Fig. 3,  
179 Supplementary Table 1). This cluster was therefore named the “non-Roquefort population”. A  
180 single strain (LCP00146) in this non-Roquefort population had been likely sampled from a  
181 Roquefort cheese, but it did not appear phenotypically different from other strains in its genetic  
182 group; the “Roquefort” origin may however be dubious as no brand was recorded for this strain  
183 from an old collection. The Roquefort population also included 13 strains used to inoculate other  
184 types of blue cheese (e.g. Gorgonzola or Bleu d’Auvergne), but strains from these types of cheeses  
185 were more common in the non-Roquefort population. The non-Roquefort cluster contained strains  
186 harbouring *Wallaby* and *CheesyTer*, two large genomic regions recently shown to have been  
187 transferred horizontally between different *Penicillium* species from the cheese environment and



188 conferring faster growth on cheese (Cheeseman et al., 2014; Ropars et al., 2015), whereas all the  
189 strains in the Roquefort cluster lacked those regions.

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### 191 ***Two independent domestication events in *Penicillium roqueforti* for cheesemaking***

192 We compared 11 demographic scenarios with approximate Bayesian computation (ABC),  
193 simulating either a single domestication event (the most recent divergence event then separating the  
194 two cheese populations) or two independent domestication events, with different population tree  
195 topologies and with or without gene flow (Supplementary Fig. 4). Parameters in the scenarios  
196 modeled corresponded to the divergence dates, the strength and dates of bottlenecks and population  
197 growth, and rates of gene flow. ABC simulates sequence evolution under the various scenarios using  
198 the coalescent theory framework and compares various population statistics under a Bayesian  
199 framework between the simulation outputs and the observed data to identify the most likely scenario  
200 (Beaumont et al., 2002). The ABC results showed that the two *P. roqueforti* cheese populations  
201 (Roquefort and non-Roquefort) resulted from two independent domestication events (Fig. 4). The  
202 highest posterior probabilities were obtained for the S4 scenario, in which the two cheese  
203 populations formed two lineages independently derived from the common ancestral population of  
204 all *P. roqueforti* strains (Fig. 4, model choice and parameter estimates in Supplementary Fig. 4). We  
205 inferred much stronger bottlenecks in the two cheese populations than in the non-cheese  
206 populations, with the most severe bottleneck found in the non-Roquefort cheese population. Some  
207 gene flow ( $m=0.1$ ) was inferred between the two non-cheese populations but none with cheese  
208 populations. The bottleneck date estimates in ABC had too large credibility intervals to allow  
209 inferring domestication dates (Supplementary Fig. 4E). We therefore used the multiple sequentially  
210 Markovian coalescent (MSMC) method to estimate times since domestication, considering that they  
211 corresponded to the last time there was gene flow between genotypes within populations, given the

212 lack of recombination footprints in cheese population and the mode of conservation and clonal  
213 growth of cheese strains by humans, and given that this also corresponds to bottleneck date estimates  
214 in coalescence. The domestication for the Roquefort cheese population was inferred seven times  
215 longer ago than for the non-Roquefort cheese population, both domestication events being recent  
216 (ca. 760 versus 140 generations ago, Fig. 5B-C). Unfortunately, generation time, and even  
217 generation definition, are too uncertain in the clonal *P. roqueforti* populations to infer domestication  
218 dates in years. In addition, the MSMC analysis detected two bottlenecks in the history of the  
219 Roquefort cheese population (Fig. 4B).

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### 221 ***Contrasting fitness traits between cheese populations***

222 We tested whether different phenotypes relevant for cheesemaking had evolved in the two cheese  
223 clusters, relative to other populations (Fig. 5, Supplementary Table 3). We first produced  
224 experimental cheeses inoculated with strains from the different *P. roqueforti* populations to assess  
225 their ability to colonize cheese cavities, a trait that may have been subject to human selection to  
226 choose inocula producing the most visually attractive blue cheeses. The fungus requires oxygen and  
227 can therefore sporulate only in the cheese cavities, its spores being responsible for the typical color  
228 of blue-veined cheeses; the application of highly salted solutions followed by tin foil wrapping  
229 prevents sporulation on the surface of cheeses. Strains from the non-Roquefort cheese population  
230 were the most efficient colonizers of cheese cavities (Supplementary Table 4); no difference was  
231 detected between strains from the Roquefort and non-cheese populations (Fig. 5).

232 As *P. roqueforti* strains were traditionally multiplied on bread loaves for cheese inoculation, they  
233 may have been subject to unintentional selection for faster growth on bread. However, growth rate  
234 on bread did not significantly differ between populations (Fig. 5, Supplementary Table 4).

235 We then assessed lipolytic and proteolytic activities in the *P. roqueforti* populations. These activities  
236 are important for energy and nutrient uptake, as well as for cheese texture and the production of  
237 volatile compounds responsible for cheese flavors (Gillot et al., 2017; McSweeney, 2004). Lipolysis  
238 was faster in the non-Roquefort cheese population than in the Roquefort and silage/food spoiling  
239 populations (Fig. 5, Supplementary Table 4). A strong population effect was found for proteolytic  
240 activity (Supplementary Table 4), with faster proteolysis activities in cheese populations (Fig. 5),  
241 although posthoc pairwise tests were not significant. Variances showed significant differences  
242 between populations (Levene test F-ratio=5.97, d.f.=3, P<0.0017), with the two cheese populations  
243 showing the highest variances, and with extreme values above and below those in non-cheese  
244 populations (Fig. 5). Noteworthy, proteolysis is a choice criterion for making different kinds of blue  
245 cheeses that is often showcased by culture producers (e.g. [https://www.lip-sas.fr/index.php/nos-](https://www.lip-sas.fr/index.php/nos-produits/penicillium-roquefortii/18-penicillium-roquefortii)  
246 [produits/penicillium-roquefortii/18-penicillium-roquefortii](https://www.lip-sas.fr/index.php/nos-produits/penicillium-roquefortii/18-penicillium-roquefortii)). This suggests that some cheese strains  
247 may have been selected for higher and others for lower proteolytic activity. Alternatively, selection  
248 could have been relaxed on this trait in the cheese populations, leading to some mutations decreasing  
249 and other increasing proteolysis in different strains, thus increasing variance in the populations.

250 The ability of *P. roqueforti* strains to produce spores may also have been selected by humans, both  
251 unwittingly, due to the collection of spores from moldy bread, and deliberately, through the choice  
252 of inocula producing bluer cheeses. We detected no difference in spore production between the *P.*  
253 *roqueforti* populations grown on cheese medium or malt. However, we observed significant  
254 differences in spore production on bread medium. The Roquefort population produced the highest  
255 number of spores and significantly more than the non-Roquefort population (Fig. 5, Supplementary  
256 Table 4).

257 High salt concentrations have long been used in cheesemaking to prevent the growth of spoiler and  
258 pathogenic microorganisms. We found that the ability to grow on salted malt and cheese media

259 decreased in all *P. roqueforti* populations (Supplementary Table 4). We found a significant  
260 interaction between salt and population factors, and post hoc tests indicated that the Roquefort  
261 population was more affected by salt than the other populations (Supplementary Fig. S5,  
262 Supplementary Table 4).

263 Volatile compound production was also investigated in the two cheese populations, as these  
264 compounds are important for cheese flavor (McSweeney, 2004). We identified 52 volatile  
265 compounds, including several involved in cheese aroma properties, such as ketones, free fatty acids,  
266 sulfur compounds, alcohols, aldehydes, pyrazines, esters, lactones and phenols (Curioni and Bosset,  
267 2002) (Fig. 6). The two cheese populations presented significantly different volatile compound  
268 profiles, differing by three ketones, one alcohol and two pyrazines (Fig. 6). The Roquefort  
269 population produced the highest diversity of volatile compounds (Fig. 6A).

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### 271 ***Detection of genomic regions population specific or affected by recent positive selection***

272 We identified five regions present in the genomes of strains from the non-Roquefort cheese  
273 population and absent from the other populations. We also detected five other genomic islands  
274 present in several *P. roqueforti* strains but absent from the non-Roquefort cheese strains (Fig. 7).  
275 Nine of these ten genomic regions were not found in the genomes of the outgroup *Penicillium*  
276 species analyzed here and they displayed no genetic diversity in *P. roqueforti*. No SNPs were  
277 detected even at synonymous sites or in non-coding regions, suggesting recent acquisitions, by  
278 horizontal gene transfer. The absence of the genomic islands in some populations and outgroups  
279 prevented running gene topology analyses designed for horizontal gene transfer analyses but were  
280 even stronger evidence for the existence of horizontal gene transfer. Only FM164-C, one of the  
281 genomic islands specific to the non-Roquefort population, was present in the outgroup genomes, in  
282 which it displayed variability, indicating a loss in the other lineages rather than a gain in the non-

283 Roquefort population and the outgroup species (Fig. 7A). The closest hits in the NCBI database for  
284 genes in the ten genomic islands were in *Penicillium* genomes. Most of the putative functions  
285 proposed for the genes within these genomic regions were related to lipolysis, carbohydrate or  
286 amino-acid catabolism and metabolite transport. Other putative functions concerned fungal  
287 development, including spore production and hyphal growth (Fig. 7). In the genomic regions  
288 specific to the non-Roquefort cheese population, we also identified putative functions potentially  
289 relevant for competition against other microorganisms, such as phospholipases, proteins carrying  
290 peptidoglycan- or chitin-binding domains and chitinases (Fig. 7) (Gooday et al., 1992). Enrichment  
291 tests were non-significant, probably due to the small number of genes in these regions.

292 Footprints of positive selection in *P. roqueforti* genomes were first detected using an extension of  
293 the McDonald-Kreitman test which identifies genes with more frequent amino-acid changes than  
294 expected under neutrality, neutral substitution rates being assessed by comparing the rates of  
295 synonymous and non-synonymous substitutions within and between species or populations to  
296 account for gene-specific mutation rates. We ran the test with three levels of population subdivision.  
297 First, no significant footprint of positive selection was detected for any gene by comparing the whole  
298 *P. roqueforti* species with *P. paneum*. In a second test, a set of 15 genes was identified as evolving  
299 under positive selection in the Roquefort cheese population but not in the other pooled *P. roqueforti*  
300 populations (Fig. 8A). Interestingly, eight of these 15 genes clustered at the end of the largest  
301 scaffold (Fig. 8B). In a third test, four genes were identified as evolving under positive selection in  
302 the non-Roquefort cheese population but not in the pooled non-cheese *P. roqueforti* populations  
303 (Fig. 8A). Two of these genes corresponded to a putative aromatic ring hydroxylase and a putative  
304 cyclin evolving under purifying selection in Roquefort and non-cheese *P. roqueforti* populations  
305 (Fig. 8A). Aromatic ring hydroxylases are known to be involved in the catabolism of aromatic amino  
306 acids, which are precursors of flavor compounds (Ardö, 2006; Yvon and Rijnen, 2001).

307 Secondly, we looked for regions of low diversity and high divergence between the two cheese  
308 populations as these are footprints of recent divergent selection, i.e. positive selection in one or both  
309 of the two cheese populations but for differentiated alleles. The identified regions showed a good  
310 overlap with those detected in the Snipre analysis (Fig. 9); in particular, the same genomic island at  
311 the end of scaffold 1 stood out (Fig. 9). In the regions of high divergence and low diversity, we  
312 found a significant enrichment in transcription related genes (GO:0000981 RNA polymerase II  
313 transcription factor activity, sequence-specific DNA binding; Fisher's exact test p-value<0.01;  
314 Supplementary Fig. 6). We found a particularly high divergence on the gene coding for RPB2  
315 subunit of RNA polymerase II with a high number of fixed differences that were specific to the  
316 Roquefort population; fixed differences were synonymous, suggesting that important changes  
317 concern rather the regulation level than the protein itself.

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## 319 **Discussion**

320 We report here the genetic subdivision of *P. roqueforti*, the fungus used worldwide for blue cheese  
321 production, with unprecedented resolution, providing insights into its domestication history.  
322 Population genomics studies on strains from various substrates and from a large collection of  
323 cheeses identified four genetically differentiated populations, two of which being cheese  
324 populations likely originating from independent and recent domestication events. One *P. roqueforti*  
325 cheese population included all the genotyped strains but one used for PDO Roquefort cheeses,  
326 produced in the French town of Roquefort-sur-Soulzon, where blue cheeses have been made since  
327 at least the 15th century, and probably long before (Aussibal, 1983; Labbe and Serres, 2009, 2004;  
328 Marre, 1906; Marres, 1935; Vabre, 2015, 2010). The strains from this Roquefort cheese population  
329 lack the horizontally-transferred *Wallaby* and *CheesyTer* genomic islands contrary to the other non-  
330 Roquefort cheese population.

331 We observed that the two *P. roqueforti* cheese populations differed on several traits important for  
332 cheese production, probably corresponding to historical differences. Indeed, the Roquefort  
333 population has retained moderate genetic diversity, consistent with soft selection during pre-  
334 industrial times on multiple farms near Roquefort-sur-Soulzon, where specific strains were kept for  
335 several centuries. The Roquefort cheese population grew slower in cheese (Ropars et al., 2015) and  
336 had weaker lipolytic activity. Slow maturation is particularly crucial for the storage of Roquefort  
337 cheeses for long periods in the absence of refrigeration (Marre, 1906) because they are made of  
338 ewe's milk, a product available only between February and July. During storage, cheeses could  
339 become over degraded by too high rates of lipolysis, thus likely explaining the low lipolysis activity  
340 in Roquefort strains. By contrast, most other blue cheeses are produced from cow's milk, which is  
341 available all year. The Roquefort population showed greater sporulation on bread, which is  
342 consistent with unconscious selection for this trait when strains were cultured on bread in Roquefort-  
343 sur-Soulzon farms before cheese inoculation during the end of the 19th and beginning of the 20th  
344 centuries.

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346 Lipolytic activity is known to impact texture and the production of volatile compounds affecting  
347 cheese pungency (Alonso et al., 1987; De Llano et al., 1992, 1990; Martín and Coton, 2016; Thierry  
348 et al., 2017; Woo and Lindsay, 1984). The Roquefort and non-Roquefort populations showed  
349 different volatile compound profiles, suggesting also different flavor profiles. The discovery of  
350 different phenotypes in the two cheese populations, together with the availability of a protocol for  
351 inducing sexual reproduction in *P. roqueforti* (Ropars et al., 2014), pave the way for crosses to  
352 counteract degeneration after clonal multiplication and bottlenecks, for variety improvement and  
353 the generation of diversity.

354 Both cheese populations were found to have gone through bottlenecks. The cheese populations were

355 the easiest to sample compared to other environments, where *P. roqueforti* is relatively rarely found.  
356 It seems therefore highly unlikely that the lower genetic diversity in the cheese populations would  
357 reflect sampling biases. In particular, the least diverse cheese population was the one including the  
358 highest numbers of countries and sampled cheese types, indicating genuine strong bottleneck. There  
359 was no particular sampling bias regarding geography either (Table S1). A previous study showed  
360 that these bottlenecks, together with clonal multiplication, decreased fertility, with different stages  
361 in sexual reproduction affected in the two populations identified here as the Roquefort and non-  
362 Roquefort lineages (Ropars et al., 2016b). The non-Roquefort cheese population, despite suffering  
363 from a more severe and more recent bottleneck, was found to be used in the production of all types  
364 of blue cheese worldwide, including Gorgonzola, Bleu d’Auvergne, Stilton, Cabrales and Fourme  
365 d’Ambert. The non-Roquefort cheese population grows more rapidly on cheese (Ropars et al.,  
366 2015), exhibits greater ability to colonize cheese cavities, higher salt tolerance and faster lipolysis  
367 than the Roquefort population. These characteristics are consistent with the non-Roquefort cheese  
368 population resulting from a very recent strong selection of traits beneficial for modern and  
369 accelerated production of blue cheese using refrigeration techniques, followed by a worldwide  
370 dissemination for the production of all types of blue cheeses. Such drastic losses of genetic diversity  
371 in domesticated organisms are typical of strong selection for industrial use by a few international  
372 firms and raise concerns about the conservation of genetic resources, the loss of which may hinder  
373 future innovation. More generally in crops, the impoverishment in genetic diversity decreases the  
374 ability of cultivated populations to adapt to environmental and biotic changes to meet future needs  
375 (Gouyon et al., 2010; Harlan, 1992; Vavilov, 1992). The PDO label, which imposes the use of local  
376 strains, has probably contributed to the conservation of genetic diversity in the Roquefort population  
377 (see “Cahier des charges de l’appellation d’origine protégée Roquefort”, i.e., the technical  
378 specifications for Roquefort PDO). We inferred two bottlenecks in the Roquefort population, more  
379 ancient than in the non-Roquefort population, likely corresponding to a pre-industrial domestication



380 event when multiple local farms multiplied their strains, followed by a second bottleneck when  
381 fewer strains were kept by the first industrial societies. For other blue cheeses, even if their  
382 production was also ancient, the performant non-Roquefort clonal lineage could have been recently  
383 chosen to fit modern industrial production demands due to the lack of PDO rules imposing the use  
384 of local strains. However, despite a much lower genome-wide diversity in domesticated populations,  
385 proteolysis and volatile compounds diversity was found higher in cheese than in non-cheese  
386 populations. In fact, different strains with more or less rapid proteolysis and lipolysis are sold for  
387 specific blue cheese types (e.g., milder or stronger), in particular by the French LIP company  
388 (<https://www.lip-sas.fr/index.php/nos-produits/penicillium-roquefortii/18-penicillium-roquefortii>).  
389 Such a high phenotypic diversity within the cheese populations is consistent with diversification of  
390 usage under domestication, and in particular when different characteristics are desired according to  
391 cheese type. This has already been observed in relation to the diversification of crop varieties or  
392 breeds in domesticated animals (Parker et al., 2017; Shapiro et al., 2013).

393 When studying adaptation in domesticated organisms, it is often useful to contrast traits and  
394 genomic variants between domesticated and closely related wild populations to determine the nature  
395 of the adaptive changes occurring under artificial selection (Swanson-Wagner et al., 2012; Xue et  
396 al., 2016). The only known non-cheese populations of *P. roqueforti* occur essentially in human-  
397 made environments (silage, food and lumber), consistent with the specific adaptation of these  
398 populations to these environments. The two non-cheese populations were inferred to have diverged  
399 very recently, and displayed footprints of recombination and marked differentiation from the cheese  
400 populations. Domesticated populations are expected to be nested within their source populations,  
401 suggesting that we have not sampled the wild population that is the most closely related from cheese  
402 strains yet. The high level of diversity and inferred demographic history of *P. roqueforti* indicate  
403 that most food-spoiling strains belong to differentiated populations and are not feral cheese strains.  
404 In addition, not a single cheese strain was found in the food spoiling and silage populations. This

405 was shown by both genome sequences and by the genotyping of a larger number of strains using a  
406 few selected markers, in the present study and based on microsatellite markers in a previous work  
407 (Ropars et al., 2017). Consequently, *P. roqueforti* spores from blue cheeses may, rarely, spoil food  
408 and food-spoiling and silage strains are not used for cheesemaking nor recombine with cheese  
409 strains. Such a lack of incoming gene flow into cheese populations allowed trait differentiation in  
410 cheese strains as expected under domestication.

411 It came as a surprise that the two non-cheese populations split more recently from each other than  
412 from the cheese lineages. In particular, the non-Roquefort population diverged the earliest from the  
413 unidentified ancestral population, and this has likely occurred in another environment than cheese.  
414 Much more recently, selection in industrial times has likely only kept the most performant clonal  
415 lineage of this population for cheesemaking, losing most of the initial diversity as indicated by the  
416 very strong and recent bottleneck inferred in this lineage. Possible scenarios to explain the existence  
417 of two separated clusters thriving in food and silage differentiated from cheese strains include the  
418 very recent adaptive differentiation of a population from silage on human food or vice versa. The  
419 finding that silage strains are only found in one cluster (the orange one in Fig.1 to 5) suggests an  
420 adaptation to this ecological niche, although experiments will be required to test this hypothesis.  
421 Food spoiling strains are in contrast found in three clusters and may thus not constitute a specific  
422 population adapted to this environment and may instead represent migrants from several populations  
423 belonging to other ecological niches. Green and orange clusters may alternatively represent  
424 populations thriving in yet unidentified environments, dispersing to silage and food. Another  
425 hypothesis would be a single domestication event for cheesemaking before the divergence of the  
426 four lineages, followed by an escape and subsequent differentiation of the orange and green lineages  
427 in other human related habitats. This hypothesis however would not predict such high genetic  
428 diversity in the green and orange populations, and in particular the similar nucleotidic diversity  
429 levels in the two non-cheese populations as in the *P. carneum* and *P. paneum* outgroups. Given the

430 very low genetic diversity in the cheese populations, coalescence events occurred recently in the  
431 past, preventing tests of the occurrence of bottlenecks in the common ancestor of the four *P.*  
432 *roqueforti* populations.

433 The history of blue cheese production may provide circumstantial clues as to the origin of *P.*  
434 *roqueforti* cheese populations. Indeed, the first blue cheeses likely resulted from the sporadic  
435 accidental contamination of cheese with spores from the environment, such as moldy food.  
436 However, this would not be consistent with the demographic history inferred here for cheese and  
437 food-spoiling strains, as the cheese strains were not found to be nested within the food-spoiling  
438 strains, some of which originated from moldy bread. Furthermore, old French texts suggest that the  
439 blue mold colonized the cheese from within (Labbe and Serres, 2009, 2004; Vabre, 2015), which  
440 would indicate that the milk or curd was contaminated. French cheese producers began to inoculate  
441 cheeses with *P. roqueforti* spores from moldy rye bread at the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century (Labbe and  
442 Serres, 2009, 2004; Vabre, 2015). Breads were specifically made with a 2:1 mixture of wheat and  
443 rye flour and were baked rapidly at high temperature (500°C), to yield a protective crust, around a  
444 moist, undercooked interior (Aussibal, 1983; Marre, 1906); the mold developed from the inside of  
445 the bread after one to five months in the Roquefort caves (Labbe and Serres, 2009, 2004; Vabre,  
446 2015). Surveys of the microorganisms present in their caves (Chaptal, 1789; Marcorelle and  
447 Chaptal, 1833; Marre, 1906) and our unsuccessful attempts to obtain samples from a maturing cellar  
448 suggest that *P. roqueforti* spores did not originate from the caves, which were nevertheless crucial  
449 due to the ideal conditions provided for *P. roqueforti* development (Marre, 1906). Bread may have  
450 been colonized from the environment or from rye flour if the source *P. roqueforti* population was a  
451 rye endophyte or pathogen. This last hypothesis would be consistent with the lifestyle of many  
452 *Penicillium* species, which live in close association with plants, often acting as plant pathogens or  
453 necrotrophs (Ropars et al., 2016a), and with the occurrence of a *P. roqueforti* population in lumber  
454 and silage. Actually, a recent study reports the finding of *P. roqueforti* as an endophyte and could

455 be inoculated on wheat (Ikram et al., 2018), although species identification should be checked with  
456 more powerful markers. If this hypothesis is correct, then cheeses may historically have become  
457 contaminated with *P. roqueforti* from fodder during milking.

458 Comparison between non-cheese and cheese populations allowed us to identify specific traits and  
459 genes that have been under selection in cheese as opposed to other environments. Furthermore, the  
460 two independently domesticated *P. roqueforti* cheese populations, exhibiting different traits,  
461 represent a good model for studying the genomic processes involved in adaptation. We could not  
462 run analyses of selective sweep detection based on local decrease in genetic diversity in the  
463 genomes; indeed, because of the clonality of cheese populations, the whole genome will have  
464 hitchhiked with any selected locus. This effect has likely contributed to the strong bottlenecks. We  
465 were nevertheless able to identify candidate genes and evolutionary mechanisms potentially  
466 involved in adaptation to cheese in *P. roqueforti*. The horizontally-transferred *CheesyTer* genomic  
467 island probably contributes to the faster growth of the strains identified here as constituting the non-  
468 Roquefort population (Ropars et al., 2015). Indeed, *CheesyTer* includes genes with putative  
469 functions involved in carbohydrate utilization (e.g.  $\beta$ -galactosidase and lactose permease genes) that  
470 are specifically expressed at the beginning of cheese maturation, when lactose and galactose are  
471 available. This horizontal gene transfer may thus have been involved in adaptation to recently  
472 developed industrial cheese production processes in the non-Roquefort cheese population,  
473 conferring faster growth. We also identified additional genomic islands specific to the non-  
474 Roquefort cheese population, probably acquired recently and including genes putatively involved  
475 in fungal growth and spore production. In the genomic islands specific to the cheese populations,  
476 several genes appeared to be involved in lipolysis, carbohydrate or amino-acid catabolism and  
477 metabolite transport, all of which are important biochemical processes in the development of cheese  
478 flavor. In the Roquefort cheese population, a genomic region harboring genes with footprints for  
479 positive selection included several genes encoding proteins potentially involved in aromatic amino-

480 acid catabolism corresponding to precursors of volatile compounds. Further studies are required to  
481 determine the role of these genes in cheese flavor development.

482 In conclusion, we show that *P. roqueforti* cheese populations represent genuine domestication. Of  
483 course, the domestication process in cheese fungi has been more recent and different from the ones  
484 in emblematic crops or animals. Nevertheless, we did observe strong genetic differentiation from  
485 non-cheese populations, strong bottlenecks and trait differentiation with likely benefits for cheese  
486 production. This suggests genuine domestication, as has been reported previously in other fungi  
487 (Almeida et al., 2014; Baker et al., 2015; Gallone et al., 2016; Gibbons et al., 2012; Gonçalves et  
488 al., 2016; Libkind et al., 2011; Sicard and Legras, 2011), and defined as "the genetic modification  
489 of a species by breeding it in isolation from its ancestral population in an effort to enhance its utility  
490 to humans" (Gibbons and Rinker, 2015). Furthermore, a previous study has shown that the non-  
491 Roquefort cheese strains have acquired genes conferring better growth in cheese (Ropars et al.,  
492 2015). Our study revealed genetic divergence of cheese population from non-cheese populations, as  
493 well as the evolution of specific traits, with beneficial characteristics for cheese production. These  
494 findings therefore indicate the occurrence of domestication, a special case of adaptive divergence.  
495 We found that gene flow was prevented by clonality of cheese lineages and lack of migration  
496 between cheese and non-cheese populations, and that adaptation occurred on several traits beneficial  
497 for cheese production (lipolysis, proteolysis, spore production, volatile compound production,  
498 growth in salted cheese, cheese cavity colonization ability). Genomic footprints of adaptation were  
499 found in terms of rapid amino-acid changes and horizontal gene transfers. The two independent  
500 domestication events identified here interestingly represent adaptations to different production  
501 modes. Our findings concerning the history of *P. roqueforti* domestication thus shed light on the  
502 processes of adaptation to rapid environmental change, but they also have industrial implications  
503 and raise questions about the conservation of genetic resources in the agri-food context.

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## Methods

### 507 *Isolation attempts of Penicillium roqueforti in ripening cellar and dairy environments*

508 In order to investigate whether a wild *P. roqueforti* population occurred in ripening cellars or dairy  
509 environments that could be at the origin of the observed cheese populations, we sampled spores  
510 from the air in an artisanal cheese dairy company (GAEC Le Lèvejac, Saint Georges de Lèvejac,  
511 France, ca 60 km from Roquefort-sur-Soulzon, producing no blue cheese to avoid feral strains, i.e.  
512 dispersal from inoculated cheeses), sampling was performed in the sheepfold, milking parlour,  
513 cheese dairy and ripening cellar. We also sampled spores from the air in an abandoned ripening  
514 cellar in the town of Meyrueis (ca 70 km from Roquefort-sous-Soulzon) where Roquefort cheeses  
515 used to be produced and stored in the early 19<sup>th</sup> century. In total, 55 Petri dishes containing malt  
516 (2% cristomalt, Difal) and 3% ampicillin were left open for six days as traps for airborne spores (35  
517 Petri dishes in the abandoned ripening cellar and 20 Petri dishes in the artisanal cheese dairy  
518 company). Numerous fungal colonies were obtained on the Petri dishes. One monospore was  
519 isolated from each of the 22 *Penicillium*-like colonies. DNA was extracted using the Nucleospin  
520 Soil Kit (Macherey-Nagel, Düren, Germany) and a fragment of the  $\beta$ -tubulin gene was amplified  
521 using the primer set Bt2a/Bt2b (Glass and Donaldson, 1995), and then sequenced. Sequences were  
522 blasted against the NCBI database to assign monospores to species. Based on  $\beta$ -tubulin sequences,  
523 ten strains were assigned to *P. solitum*, six to *P. brevicompactum*, two to *P. bialowienzense*, one to  
524 *P. echinulatum* and two to the *Cladosporium* genus. No *P. roqueforti* strain could thus be isolated  
525 from this sampling procedure.

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### 527 *Genome sequencing and analysis*

528 The genomic DNAs of cheesemaking strains obtained from public collections belonging to *P.*  
529 *roqueforti*, seven strains of *P. paneum*, one strain of *P. carneum* and one strain of *P. psychrosexualis*  
530 (Supplementary Table 1) were extracted from fresh haploid mycelium after monospore isolation  
531 and growth for five days on malt agar using the Nucleospin Soil Kit (Macherey-Nagel, Düren,  
532 Germany). Sequencing was performed using the Illumina HiSeq 2500 paired-end technology  
533 (Illumina Inc.) with an average insert size of 400 bp at the GenoToul INRA platform and resulted  
534 in a 50x-100x coverage. In addition, the genomes of four strains (LCP05885, LCP06096, LCP06097

535 and LCP06098) were used that had previously been sequenced using the ABI SOLID technology  
536 (Cheeseman et al., 2014). GenBank accession numbers are HG792015-HG792062.

537 Identification of presence/absence polymorphism of blocks larger than 10 kbp in genomes was  
538 performed based on coverage using mapping against the FM164 *P. roqueforti* reference genome. In  
539 order to identify genomic regions that would be lacking in the FM164 genome but present in other  
540 strains, we used a second assembled genome, that of the UASWS *P. roqueforti* strain collected from  
541 bread, sequenced using Illumina HiSeq shotgun and displaying 428 contigs (Genbank accession  
542 numbers: JNNS01000420-JNNS01000428). Blocks larger than 10 kbp present in the UASWS  
543 genome and absent in the FM164 genome were identified using the *nucmer* program v3.1 (Kurtz et  
544 al., 2004). Gene models for the UASWS genome were predicted with EuGene following the same  
545 pipeline as for the FM164 genome (Cheeseman et al., 2014; Foissac et al., 2008). The  
546 presence/absence of these regions in the *P. roqueforti* genomes was then determined using the  
547 coverage obtained by mapping reads against the UASWS genome with the start/end positions  
548 identified by *nucmer*. The absence of regions was inferred when less than five reads were mapped.  
549 In order to determine their presence/absence in other *Penicillium* species, the sequences of these  
550 regions were blasted against nine *Penicillium* reference genomes (Supplementary Table 1). PCR  
551 primer pairs were designed using Primer3Plus ([http://www.bioinformatics.nl/cgi-  
552 bin/primer3plus/primer3plus.cgi/](http://www.bioinformatics.nl/cgi-bin/primer3plus/primer3plus.cgi/)) in the flanking sequences of these genomic regions in order to  
553 check their presence/absence in a broader collection of *P. roqueforti* strains based on PCR tests  
554 (Supplementary Table 2). For each genomic island, two primer pairs were designed when possible  
555 (i.e. when sufficiently far from the ends of the scaffolds and not in repeated regions): one yielding  
556 a PCR product when the region was present and another one giving a band when the region was  
557 absent, in order to avoid relying only on lack of amplification for inferring the absence of a genomic  
558 region. PCRs were performed in a volume of 25  $\mu$ L, containing 12,5  $\mu$ L template DNA (ten folds  
559 diluted), 0.625 U Taq DNA Polymerase (MP Biomedicals), 2.5  $\mu$ L 10x PCR buffer, 1  $\mu$ L of 2.5  
560 mM dNTPs, 1  $\mu$ L of each of 10  $\mu$ M primer. Amplification was performed using the following  
561 program: 5 min at 94°C and 30 cycles of 30 s at 94°C, 30 s at 60°C and 1 min at 72°C, followed by  
562 a final extension of 5 min at 72°C. PCR products were visualized using stained agarose gel  
563 electrophoresis. Data were deposited at the European Nucleotide Archive  
564 (<http://www.ebi.ac.uk/ena/>) under the accession number: PRJEB20132 for whole genome  
565 sequencing and PRJEB20413 for Sanger sequencing.

566 For each strain, reads were mapped using stampy v1.0.21 (Lunter and Goodson, 2011) against the

567 high-quality reference genome of the FM164 *P. roqueforti* strain (Cheeseman et al., 2014). In order  
568 to minimize the number of mismatches, reads were locally realigned using the genome analysis  
569 toolkit (GATK) IndelRealigner v3.2-2 (McKenna et al., 2010). SNP detection was performed using  
570 the GATK Unified Genotyper (McKenna et al., 2010) , based on the reference genome in which  
571 repeated sequences were detected using RepeatMasker (Smit et al., 2013) and masked, so that SNPs  
572 were not called in these regions. In total 483,831 bp were masked, corresponding to 1.67% of the  
573 FM164 genome sequence. The 1% and 99% quantiles of the distribution of coverage depth were  
574 assessed across each sequenced genome and SNPs called at positions where depth values fell in  
575 these extreme quantiles were removed from the dataset. Only SNPs with less than 10% of missing  
576 data were kept. After filtering, a total of 115,544 SNPs were kept.

577 Population structure was assessed using a discriminant analysis of principal components (DAPC)  
578 with the Adegenet R package (Jombart, 2008). The genetic structure was also inferred along the  
579 genome by clustering the strains according to similarities of their genotypes, in windows of 50  
580 SNPs, using the Mclust function of the mclust R package (Fraley et al., 2012; Fraley and Raftery,  
581 2002) with Gower's distance and a Gaussian mixture clustering with K=7 (as the above analyses  
582 indicated the existence of four *P. roqueforti* populations and there were three outgroup species).

583 We performed a neighbor-net analysis using the network approach to visualize possible  
584 recombination events within and between populations with the phangorn R package (Schliep, 2010).  
585 The substitution model used for building the distance matrix was JC69 (Jukes and Cantor, 1969)

586 The genetic diversity were estimated using the  $\theta\pi$  and  $\theta w$  with the compute programs associated to  
587 libsequence v1.8.9 (Thornton, 2003) on 1145 sliding windows of 50 kb with 25 kb of overlap  
588 distributed along the longest eleven scaffolds of the FM164 assembly (> 200 kb). Linkage  
589 disequilibrium per genetic cluster (i.e. non-Roquefort, Roquefort, Lumber/food spoiler and  
590 silage/food spoiler) was estimated using the  $r^2$  statistics, with VCFtools v 0.1.15 (Danecek et al.,  
591 2011) and the following parameters: --geno-r2 --ld-window-bp 15000. Plots were generated using  
592 R.

593 To identify genes evolving under positive selection in *P. roqueforti* genomes, first, we used the  
594 method implemented in SnIPRE (Eilertson et al., 2012), a Bayesian generalization of the log-linear  
595 model underlying the McDonald-Kreitman test. This method detects genes in which amino-acid  
596 changes are more frequent than expected under neutrality, by contrasting synonymous and non-  
597 synonymous SNPs, polymorphic or fixed in two groups, to account for gene-specific mutation rates.



598 Secondly, we performed a scan of the divergence statistics dxy between the two cheese populations,  
599 calculated using a custom R script in 50kbp windows overlapping over 25 kbp along the genome. .  
600 We considered genes belonging to the 1% most divergent regions and the 5% least genetically  
601 diverse ( $\pi$  values) as under positive selection in one of the populations. We did not consider the  
602 other pairwise comparisons, i.e. using orange and green populations (Figs. 1 to 5), because most  
603 SNPs in those populations were shared by several strains, as shown by high diversity, positive Dt  
604 and low FST values (Table 1). Consequently, islands of high divergence and low diversity were  
605 restricted to cheese populations that were already found using pairwise comparison between cheese  
606 populations. We performed GO annotation enrichment tests using separate Fisher's exact tests on  
607 the three ontologies (BP: biological process; CC: cellular component; MF: metabolic function).

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### 610 ***Strain genotyping***

611 We identified two genomic regions with multiple diagnostic SNPs allowing discriminating the two  
612 cheese clusters. Two PCR primer pairs were designed (Supplementary Table 2) to sequence these  
613 regions in order to assign the 65 strains (Supplementary Table 1) that can be purchased at the  
614 Laboratoire Interprofessionnel de Production d'Aurillac (LIP) (the main French supplier of *P.*  
615 *roqueforti* spores for artisanal and industrial cheese-makers; <https://www.lip-sas.fr/>) to the identified  
616 clusters. PCR products were then purified and sequenced at Eurofins (France). Because one of the  
617 cheese clusters included strains carrying the *Wallaby* and *CheesyTer* genomic islands while the  
618 second cluster strains lacked these genomic regions (Ropars et al., 2015), we used previously  
619 developed primer pairs to check for the presence/absence of *CheesyTer* and *Wallaby* (Ropars et al.,  
620 2015).

621 Sequences were first aligned together with those extracted from sequenced genomes, allowing  
622 assignation of LIP strains to one of the two cheese populations using MAFFT software (Katoch and  
623 Standley, 2013) and then the alignments were visually checked. Then a tree reconstruction was  
624 made using RAxML following GTRCAT substitution model, using 2 partitions corresponding to  
625 the two fragments and 1000 bootstraps tree were generated (Stamatakis, 2006).

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### 627 ***Strain phenotyping***

628 For all experiments, strains were picked up at random in each group. Experimental cheeses were  
629 produced in an artisanal dairy company (GAEC Le Lèvejac, Saint Georges de Lèvejac, France). The  
630 same ewe curd was used for all produced cheeses. Seven *P. roqueforti* strains were used for  
631 inoculation (two from each of the Roquefort, non-Roquefort and silage/food spoiler clusters, and  
632 one from the lumber/food spoiler cluster; their identity is given in Supplementary Table 1) using  
633 17.8 mg of lyophilized spores. Three cheeses were produced for each strain in cheese strainers (in  
634 oval pots with opposite diameters of 8 and 9 cm, respectively), as well as a control cheese without  
635 inoculation. After 48 h of draining, cheeses were salted (by surface scrubbing with coarse salt),  
636 pierced and placed in a maturing cellar for four weeks at 11°C. Cheeses were then sliced into six  
637 equal pieces and a picture of each slice was taken using a Nikon D7000 (zoom lens: Nikon 18-  
638 105mm f:3.5-5.6G). Pictures were analyzed using the geospatial image processing software ENVI  
639 (Harris Geospatial Solution) (Fig. 6). This software enables pixel classification according to their  
640 level of blue, red, green, and grey into two to four classes depending on the analyzed image. This  
641 classification allowed assigning pixels to two classes corresponding to the inner white part and the  
642 cavities of the cheese, respectively (Fig. 6). For each picture, the percentage of pixels corresponding  
643 to the cavities was then quantified. Because the software could not reliably assign pixels to the  
644 presence versus absence of the fungus in cavities, we visually determined the cavity areas that were  
645 colonized by *P. roqueforti* using images. This allowed calculating a cheese cavity colonization rate.  
646 Because *Penicillium* spores have a high dispersal ability which could cause contaminations, we  
647 confirmed strain identity present in cheeses by performing Sanger sequencing of four diagnostic  
648 markers designed based on SNPs and specific to each strain (Supplementary Table 2). For each  
649 cheese, three random monospore isolates were genotyped, and no contamination was detected (i.e.  
650 all the sequences obtained corresponded to the inoculated strains).

651 To compare the growth rates of the different *P. roqueforti* clusters on bread (i.e. the traditional  
652 multiplication medium), 24 strains were used (eight from each of the Roquefort and non-Roquefort  
653 cheese clusters, five from the silage/food spoiler cluster, and three from the lumber/food spoiler  
654 cluster; the identities of the strains are shown in Supplementary Table 1). Each strain was inoculated  
655 in a central point in three Petri dishes by depositing 10 µL of a standardized spore suspension  
656 ( $0.7 \times 10^9$  spores/mL). Petri dishes contained agar (2%) and crushed organic cereal bread including  
657 rye (200 g/L). After three days at 25°C in the dark, two perpendicular diameters were measured for  
658 each colony to assess colony size.

659 The lipolytic and proteolytic activities of *P. roqueforti* strains were measured as follows:

660 standardized spore suspensions (2500 spores/inoculation) for each strain (n=47: 15 from the  
661 Roquefort cluster, 15 from the non-Roquefort cheese cluster, 10 from the silage/food spoiler cluster  
662 and seven from the lumber/food spoiler cluster, identity in Supplementary Table 1) were inoculated  
663 on the top of a test tube containing agar and tributyrin for lipolytic activity measure (10 mL/L,  
664 ACROS Organics, Belgium) or semi-skimmed milk for the proteolytic activity measure (40 g/L,  
665 from large retailers). The lipolytic and proteolytic activities were estimated by the degradation  
666 degree of the compounds, which changes the media from opaque to translucent. For each media,  
667 three independent experiments have been conducted. For each strain, duplicates were performed in  
668 each experiment and the limit of translucency / opaqueness in the medium was recorded. Measures  
669 were highly repeatable between the two replicates (Pearson's product-moment correlation  
670 coefficient of 0.93 in pairwise comparison between replicates,  $P < 0.0001$ ). We measured the distance  
671 between the initial mark and the hydrolysis, translucent front, after 7, 14, 21 and 28 days of growth  
672 at 20°C in the dark.

673 A total of 47 strains were used to compare spore production between the four *P. roqueforti* clusters  
674 (Supplementary Table 1), 15 belonging to the non-Roquefort cluster, 15 to the Roquefort cluster,  
675 10 to the silage/food spoiler cluster and seven to the lumber/food spoiler cluster. After seven days  
676 of growth on malt agar in Petri dishes of 60 mm diameter at room temperature, we scraped all the  
677 fungal material by adding 5 mL of tween water 0.005%. We counted the number of spores per mL  
678 in the solution with a Malassez hemocytometer (mean of four squares per strain) for calibrating  
679 spore solution. We spread 50  $\mu\text{L}$  of the calibrated spore solution (i.e.  $7.10^6$  spores. $\text{mL}^{-1}$ ) for each  
680 strain on Petri dishes of 60 mm diameter containing three different media, malt, cheese and bread  
681 agar (organic “La Vie Claire” bread mixed with agar), in duplicates (two plates per medium and per  
682 strain). After eight days of growth at room temperature, we took off a circular plug of medium with  
683 spores and mycelium at the top, using Falcon 15 mL canonical centrifuge tubes (diameter of 15  
684 mm). We inserted the plugs into 5 mL Eppendorf tubes containing 2 mL of tween water 0.005%  
685 and vortexed for 15 seconds to detach spores from the medium. Using a plate spectrophotometer,  
686 we measured the optical density (OD) at 600 nm for each culture in the supernatant after a four-fold  
687 dilution (Supplementary Table 3).

688 To compare salt tolerance between *P. roqueforti* clusters, 26 strains were used (eight from the  
689 Roquefort cluster, ten from the non-Roquefort cluster, three from the silage/food spoiler cluster, and  
690 five from the lumber/food spoiler cluster; strain identities are shown in Supplementary Table 1).  
691 For each strain and each medium, three Petri dishes were inoculated by depositing 10  $\mu\text{L}$  of  
692 standardized spore suspension ( $0.7 \times 10^9$  spores/mL) on Petri dishes containing either only malt (20

693 g/L), malt and salt (NaCl 8%, which corresponds to the salt concentration used before fridge use to  
694 avoid contaminants in blue cheeses), only goat cheese, or goat cheese and salt (NaCl 8%). The goat  
695 cheese medium was prepared as described in a previous study (Ropars et al., 2015). Strains were  
696 grown at 25°C and colony size measured daily for 24 days.

697 Volatile production assays were performed on 16 Roquefort strains and 19 non-Roquefort cheese  
698 strains grown on model cheeses as previously described (Gillot et al., 2017). Briefly, model cheeses  
699 were prepared in Petri dishes and incubated for 14 days at 25 °C before removing three 10 mm-  
700 diameter plugs (equivalent to approximately 1 g). The plugs were then placed into 22 mL Perkin  
701 Elmer vials that were tightly closed with polytetrafluorethylene (PTFE)/silicone septa and stored at  
702 -80°C prior to analyses (Gillot et al., 2017). Analyses and data processing were carried out by  
703 headspace trap-gas chromatography-mass spectrometry (HS-trap-GC-MS) using a Perkin Elmer  
704 turbomatrix HS-40 trap sampler, a Clarus 680 gas chromatograph coupled to a Clarus 600T  
705 quadrupole MS (Perkin Elmer, Courtaboeuf, France), and the open source XCMS package of the R  
706 software (<http://www.r-project.org/>), respectively, as previously described (Pogačić et al., 2015).

707 All phenotypic measures are reported in Supplementary Table 3. Statistical analyses for testing  
708 differences in phenotypes between populations and/or media (Supplementary Table 4) were  
709 performed with R software (<http://www.r-project.org/>).

710 Differences in volatile profiles among the two *P. roqueforti* cheese populations were analyzed using  
711 a supervised multivariate analysis method, orthogonal partial least squares discriminant analysis  
712 (OPLS-DA). OPLS is an extension of principal components analysis (PCA), that is more powerful  
713 when the number of explained variables (Y) is much higher than the number of explanatory  
714 variables (X). PCA is an unsupervised method maximizing the variance explained in Y, while partial  
715 least squares (PLS) maximizes the covariance between X and Y(s). OPLS is a supervised method  
716 that aims at discriminating samples. It is a variant of PLS which uses orthogonal (uncorrelated)  
717 signal correction to maximize the explained covariance between X and Y on the first latent variable,  
718 and components >1 capture variance in X which is orthogonal (uncorrelated) to Y. The optimal  
719 number of latent variables was evaluated by cross-validation (Pierre et al., 2011). Finally, to identify  
720 the volatile compounds that were produced in significantly different quantities between the two  
721 populations, a t-test was performed using the R software (<http://www.r-project.org/>).

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723 ***Demographic modeling using approximate Bayesian computation (ABC)***

724 The likelihoods of 11 demographic scenarios for the *P. roqueforti* populations were compared using  
725 approximate Bayesian computation (ABC) (Beaumont, 2010; Lopes and Beaumont, 2010). The  
726 scenarios differed in the order of demographic events, and included 21 parameters to be estimated  
727 (Supplementary Fig. 4). A total of 262 fragments, ranging from 5 kb to 15 kb, were generated from  
728 observed SNPs by compiling in a fragment all adjacent SNPs in complete linkage disequilibrium.  
729 The population mutation rate  $\theta$  (the product of the mutation rate and the effective population size)  
730 used for coalescent simulations was obtained from data using  $\theta_w$ , the Watterson's estimator.  
731 Simulated data were generated using the same fragment number and sizes as the SNP dataset  
732 generated from the genomes. Priors were sampled in a log-uniform distribution (Supplementary Fig.  
733 4C). For each scenario, one million coalescent simulations were run and the following summary  
734 statistics were calculated on observed and simulated data using msABC (Pavlidis et al., 2010) : the  
735 number of segregating sites, the estimators  $\pi$  (Nei, 1987) and  $\theta_w$  (Watterson, 1975) of nucleotide  
736 diversity, Tajima's D (Tajima, 1989), the intragenic linkage disequilibrium coefficient ZnS (Kelly,  
737 1997),  $F_{ST}$  (Hudson et al., 1992), the percentage of shared polymorphisms between populations, the  
738 percentage of private SNPs for each population, the percentage of fixed SNPs in each population,  
739 Fay and Wu's H (Fay and Wu, 2000), the number of haplotypes (Depaulis and Veuille, 1998) and  
740 the haplotype diversity (Depaulis and Veuille, 1998). For each summary statistic, both average and  
741 variance values across simulated fragments were calculated. The choice of summary statistics to  
742 estimate posterior parameters is a crucial step in ABC (Csilléry et al., 2010). Summary statistics  
743 were selected using the AS.select() function with the neuralnet method in the "abctools" R package  
744 (Nunes and Prangle, 2015). In total, 101 summary statistics were kept for subsequent analyses.  
745 Cross validation was run with the neuralnet method using 100 samples and a tolerance of 0.01  
746 (Supplementary Fig. 4D). Model selection was performed using four tolerance rates ranging from  
747 0.005 to 0.1 and rejection, logistic regression and neural network methods. Because there was still  
748 an uncertainty on the choice between scenarios 4 and 5 after model selection (i.e. whether it was the  
749 non-Roquefort or Roquefort population that diverged first from the ancestral population)  
750 (Supplementary Fig. 4 F), an extra one million simulations were run for each of those two scenarios  
751 and model selection was performed again. All tolerance rates and methods favored scenario 4 over  
752 scenario 5 with absolute confidence of 1.000.

753 The posterior probability distributions of the parameters, the goodness of fit for each model and  
754 model selection (Supplementary Fig. 4E) were calculated using a rejection-regression procedure  
755 (Beaumont, 2010). Acceptance values of 0.005 were used for all analyses. Regression analyses was  
756 performed using the "abc" R package (Csilléry et al., 2012)

757 (<http://cran.rproject.org/web/packages/abc/index.html>).

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### 759 ***Estimate of time since domestication***

760 The multiple sequentially Markovian coalescent (MSMC) software was used to estimate the  
761 domestication times of cheese populations (Schiffels and Durbin, 2014). The estimate of the last  
762 time gene flow occurred within each cheese population was taken as a proxy of time since  
763 domestication as it also corresponds in such methods to bottleneck date estimates and is more  
764 precisely estimated. Recombination rate was set at zero because sexual reproduction has likely not  
765 occurred since domestication in cheese populations (see results). Segments were set to  
766  $21*1+1*2+1*3$  for the Roquefort population which contains three haplotypes ( Fig. 2) and to  
767  $10*1+15*2$  for the non-Roquefort population, which contains two closely related haplotypes ( Fig.  
768 2). In both cases, MSMC was run for 15 iterations and otherwise default parameters. The mutation  
769 rate was set to  $10^{-8}$ .

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## 999 **Figure legends**

.000 **Figure 1: Diversity and population subdivision in *Penicillium roqueforti*.** Unrooted phylogenetic  
.001 network of *P. roqueforti* strains generated with SplitsTree4 from SNP variation. The scale bar  
.002 indicates the number of substitutions per site. The letters indicate the origin of the strains, C =  
.003 cheese, F = spoiled food, S = silage and L = lumber. The color indicates assignment to one of the  
.004 four *P. roqueforti* populations identified, as in the other figures. Blue, non-Roquefort; purple,  
.005 Roquefort; green, lumber/food spoilage, and; orange, silage/food spoilage.

.006 **Figure 2: Clustering of *Penicillium roqueforti* along the FM164 reference genome using non-**  
.007 **overlapping 50 SNP sliding windows.** Clustering was done in each window using the “mclust”  
.008 function with Gaussian mixture modelling and using the Gower’s distance between haplotypes. The  
.009 maximum number of clusters was fixed to seven, corresponding to the three outgroup species plus  
.010 the four populations of *P. roqueforti*. Each color corresponds to a cluster. Windows containing fewer  
.011 than 50 SNPs at the edge of scaffolds are not represented. The dendrogram on the left side was  
.012 reconstructed using hierarchical clustering based on the Gower’s distance between clusters for the  
.013 entire genome. The histogram on the top left represents the distribution of the number of clusters  
.014 inferred for the whole genome. The letters indicate the origin of the strains, C = Cheese, F = Food,  
.015 S = Silage and L = Lumber.

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.017 **Figure 3: Genetic and phenotypic differentiation among *Penicillium roqueforti* populations.**  
.018 **Colors correspond to the genetic clusters as in other figures.** A: genetic differentiation assessed  
.019 by a discriminant analysis of principal components (DAPC) based on genome-wide single-  
.020 nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs). The dots represent the strains and the colors the four populations  
.021 identified based on the genealogical tree in Fig. 1 as well as the similarity clustering in Fig. 2. The

.022 insets show the distribution of eigenvalues for the principal component analysis (PCA) and for the  
.023 discriminant analysis (DA). B: phenotypic differentiation among *P. roqueforti* genetic clusters  
.024 illustrated by a PCA based on all tested phenotypes. Colors correspond to the genetic clusters as in  
.025 other figures. Missing data correction has been done using Bayesian correction in the *pcaMethods*  
.026 package (Stacklies et al., 2007).

.027 **Figure 4: Demographic history of *Penicillium roqueforti* populations.** A. Demographic scenario  
.028 (S4) with the highest posterior probability for the history of *Penicillium roqueforti* populations.  
.029 Estimates of time since divergence are indicated in units of  $2N_e$  generations (Supplementary Figure  
.030 4 E); effective population sizes and their variation (bottlenecks) are represented by the widths of the  
.031 genealogy branches, with relative sizes being represented to scale. The color indicates assignment  
.032 to the *P. roqueforti* populations as in the other figures. B. Estimated past migration rate (gene flow)  
.033 within each of the two cheese populations backward in time ( $t=0$  represents the present time). The  
.034 dashed red lines represent the inferred times of domestication, estimated as the last time gene flow  
.035 occurred within cheese populations. C. Estimated demographic history for the Roquefort population  
.036 using the multiple sequentially Markovian coalescent (MSMC) method. The inferred population  
.037 effective size is plotted along generations backward in time ( $t=0$  represents the present time). The  
.038 dashed red line represents the inferred domestication time, estimated as the last time gene flow  
.039 occurred within the Roquefort population (Fig. 4B). The scheme above the figure represents a  
.040 schematic view of the effective population size along generations, representing the two bottlenecks.

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.042 **Figure 5: Differences in phenotype between *Penicillium roqueforti* populations for various**  
.043 **traits relevant for cheesemaking.** The color indicates assignment to the *P. roqueforti* populations  
.044 identified, as in the other figures. Horizontal lines on the boxplots represent the upper quartile, the  
.045 median and the lower quartile. Dots represent the outlier values. Different letters indicate significant



.046 differences (Supplementary Table 4). **A:** Lipolytic activity measured at four different dates; **B:**  
.047 Proteolytic activity measured at four different dates; **C:** Spore production on bread medium  
.048 measured as optical density by spectrophotometer; **D:** Cheese cavity occupation (i.e., percentage of  
.049 total cheese cavity space colonized by the fungus, as measured on images) estimated in experimental  
.050 cheeses by image analysis. The two clusters of non-cheese strains were pooled, as there were too  
.051 few strains per cluster to test differences between the lumber/food spoiler and silage/food spoiler  
.052 clusters. (a) Picture of a cheese slice. (b) Corresponding image analysis using the geospatial image  
.053 processing software ENVI (Harris Geospatial Solution). Colors correspond to pixel classification  
.054 based on their color on the picture. In yellow and blue: the inner white part of the cheese; in green  
.055 and red: cavities.

.056 **Figure 6: A: Differences in volatile compound profiles of the two *Penicillium roqueforti***  
.057 **cheese populations.** Orthogonal projection of the latent structure discriminant analysis (OPLS-  
.058 DA), with each dot representing the score of the averaged volatile profile of a strain from the non-  
.059 Roquefort cheese population (in red) or the Roquefort population (in blue) in the two principal  
.060 components. **B: Identified volatile compounds emitted by the non-Roquefort and the**  
.061 **Roquefort populations,** chemical class, quantification ion: mass (m) to charge (z) ratio, and results  
.062 of t-test statistical comparisons between the two populations: quantification estimate, standard error,  
.063 degrees of freedom (Df), t values and P values ( $\Pr(>|t|)$ ). In bold are the volatile compounds whose  
.064 quantity was found significantly different between the two populations.

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.066 **Figure 7: A: Presence/absence of the ten genomic islands identified in this study in the 35**  
.067 ***Penicillium roqueforti* and nine *Penicillium* outgroup species, in addition to the *CheesyTer* and**  
.068 ***Wallaby* horizontally-transferred regions identified in a previous study.** The ten genomic  
.069 islands were detected as absent from one of the two *P. roqueforti* genomes with high-quality

.070 assemblies, while present in the second reference genome; the two reference *P. roqueforti* genomes  
.071 are those of the FM164 strain (isolated from Gorgonzola cheese) and of the UASWS strain (isolated  
.072 from bread Supplementary Table1 for information on outgroup reference genomes. For each  
.073 genomic island, its name is indicated, together with its scaffold or contig and its start/end positions.  
.074 Each strain is represented as a line, the presence of a genomic island is indicated by a colored box  
.075 and its absence by a white box. The grey intensity indicates the percentage of sequence identity in  
.076 these genomic islands, either within *P. roqueforti* or compared to outgroups. Strain assignment to  
.077 the identified genetic clusters is indicated, with the same colors as in other figures. **B: Fisher exact  
.078 test for function enrichment of the genes identified in the presence/absence regions** based on  
.079 the InterPro annotation. For each annotation, the Table gives the InterPro number, the number of  
.080 occurrences in the presence/absence regions and in the FM164 reference genome, the p-value before  
.081 and after FDR correction and the functional annotation. Annotations are shown only for genes with  
.082 significant enrichment before multiple testing correction. Annotations followed by a star refer to  
.083 putative functions related to fungal growth and sporulation. Annotations followed by two stars refer  
.084 to putative functions related lipolysis, carbohydrate or amino-acid catabolism and metabolite  
.085 transporter.

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.087 **Figure 8: A: Genes detected as evolving under positive selection using the SnIPRE software**  
.088 (i.e. genes with higher numbers of non-synonymous substitutions than expected under neutrality,  
.089 controlling for gene-specific mutation rates). Values represent the estimates of the  $\gamma$  selection  
.090 coefficient. In red, genes under positive selection ( $\gamma > 0$ ), in blue genes under purifying selection ( $\gamma$   
.091  $< 0$ ), as detected based on analyses in the Roquefort cluster, the non-Roquefort cluster and in the  
.092 pooled *Penicillium roqueforti* strains from the four clusters. The asterisks after the gene names  
.093 highlight the eight genes clustered in the ProqFM164S01 scaffold in B. **B: Selection effect ( $\gamma$ )**  
.094 estimated per gene along the ProqFM164S01 scaffold in the Roquefort population. The selection

.095 coefficient  $\gamma$  was calculated with SnIPRE. The red dots correspond to genes evolving under positive  
.096 selection ( $\gamma$  significantly greater than 0), the blue dots to genes evolving under purifying selection  
.097 ( $\gamma$  significantly **lower** than 0), and the gray dots to genes evolving under neutrality ( $\gamma$  not  
.098 significantly different from 0).

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.100 **Figure 9: Scans of genetic differentiation ( $d_{xy}$ ) between non-Roquefort and Roquefort**  
.101 ***Penicillium roqueforti* populations, and of genetic diversities ( $\pi$ ) within non-Roquefort and**  
.102 **Roquefort populations.** Values were calculated in 50 kb sliding windows, overlapping over 25 kb.  
.103 Red dots correspond to windows located in the 1% highest  $d_{xy}$  (small dashed line) and 5 % lowest  $\pi$   
.104 values (long dashed line). Outliers detected in Snipre (Fig 8) are shown as green dots.

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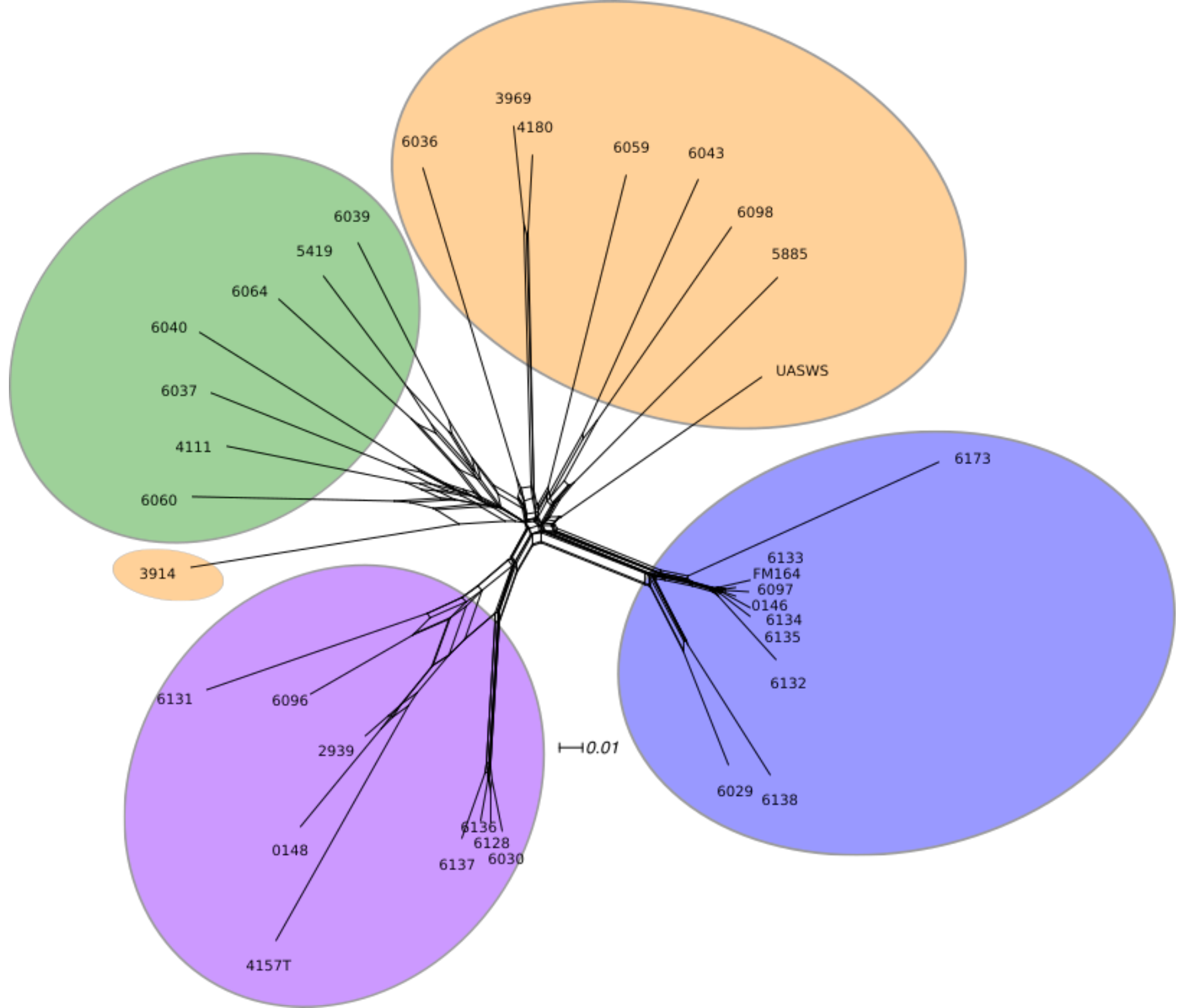
.106 **Table 1: Population genetics statistics in the four *Penicillium roqueforti* populations.** A:  
.107 Statistics calculated by averaging values on 1144 sliding windows of 50 kb with 25 kb overlap. B:  
.108  $F_{ST}$  values calculated on pairwise comparisons.

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| A)                                   | Number of segregating sites per kilobase | $\pi$ per site | Watterson's $\Theta$ per site | $D_t$    | $H_f$    |
|--------------------------------------|--|----------------|-------------------------------|----------|----------|
| <b>Silage/Food spoiler</b>           | 2.28                                     | 0.00098        | 0.00084                       | 0.75689  | 0.00001  |
| <b>Lumber/ Food spoiler</b>          | 1.59                                     | 0.00078        | 0.00070                       | 0.77300  | -0.00004 |
| <b>Non-Roquefort</b>                 | 0.25                                     | 0.00008        | 0.00011                       | -1.27191 | -0.00021 |
| <b>Roquefort</b>                     | 1.03                                     | 0.00043        | 0.00040                       | 0.56090  | -0.00007 |
| <b><i>Penicillium roqueforti</i></b> | 2.75                                     | 0.00107        | 0.00070                       | 1.80833  | 0.48170  |

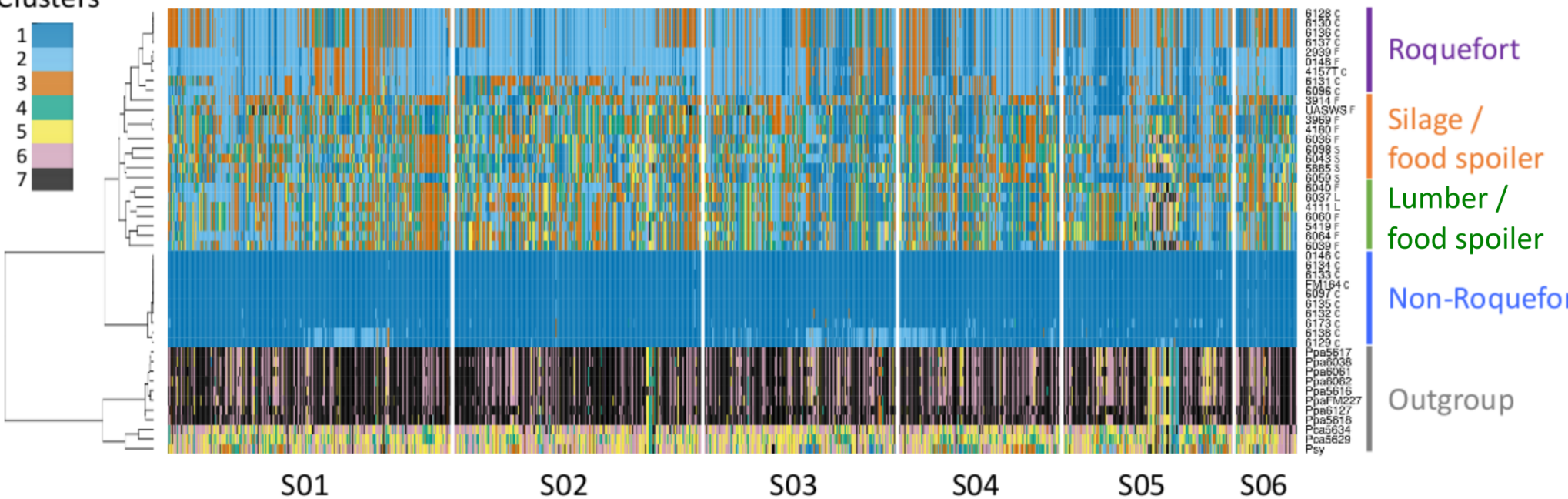
  

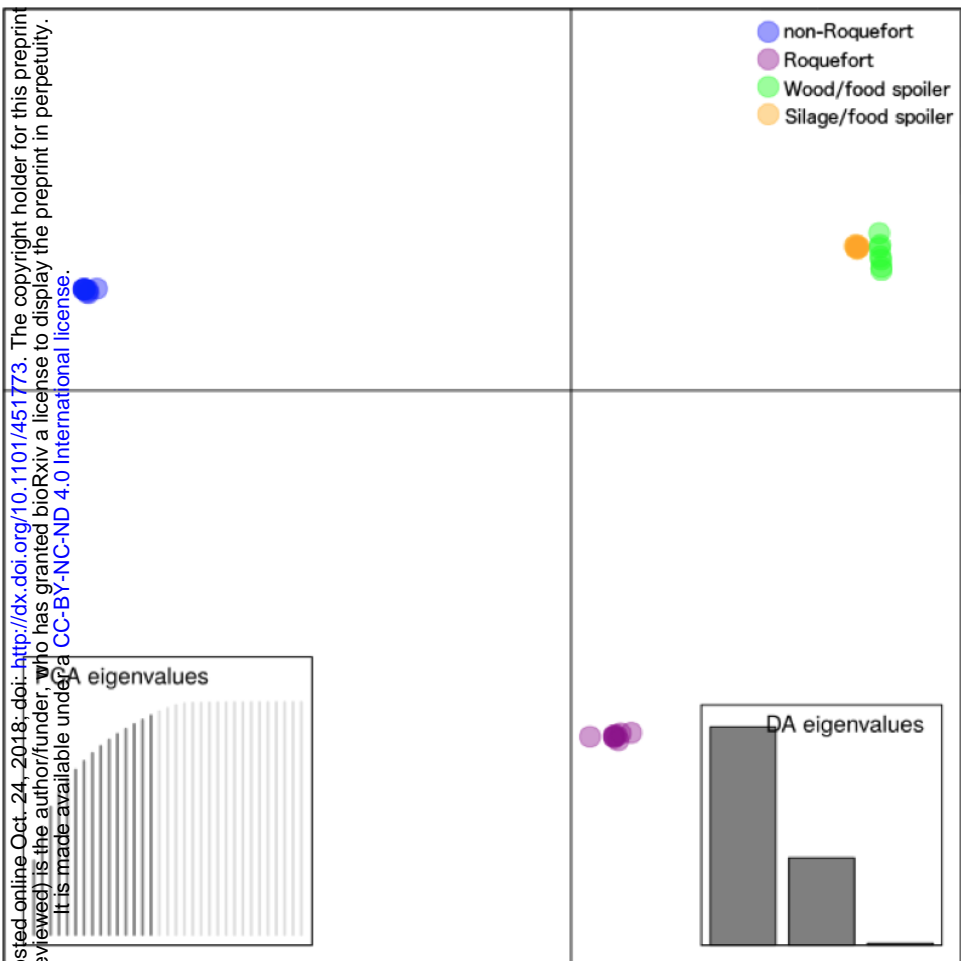
| B)                          | Silage/Food spoiler | Lumber/ Food spoiler | Non-Roquefort |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------|
| <b>Roquefort</b>            | 0.21                | 0.27                 | 0.62          |
| <b>Non-Roquefort</b>        | 0.38                | 0.49                 |               |
| <b>Lumber/ Food spoiler</b> | 0.08                |                      |               |



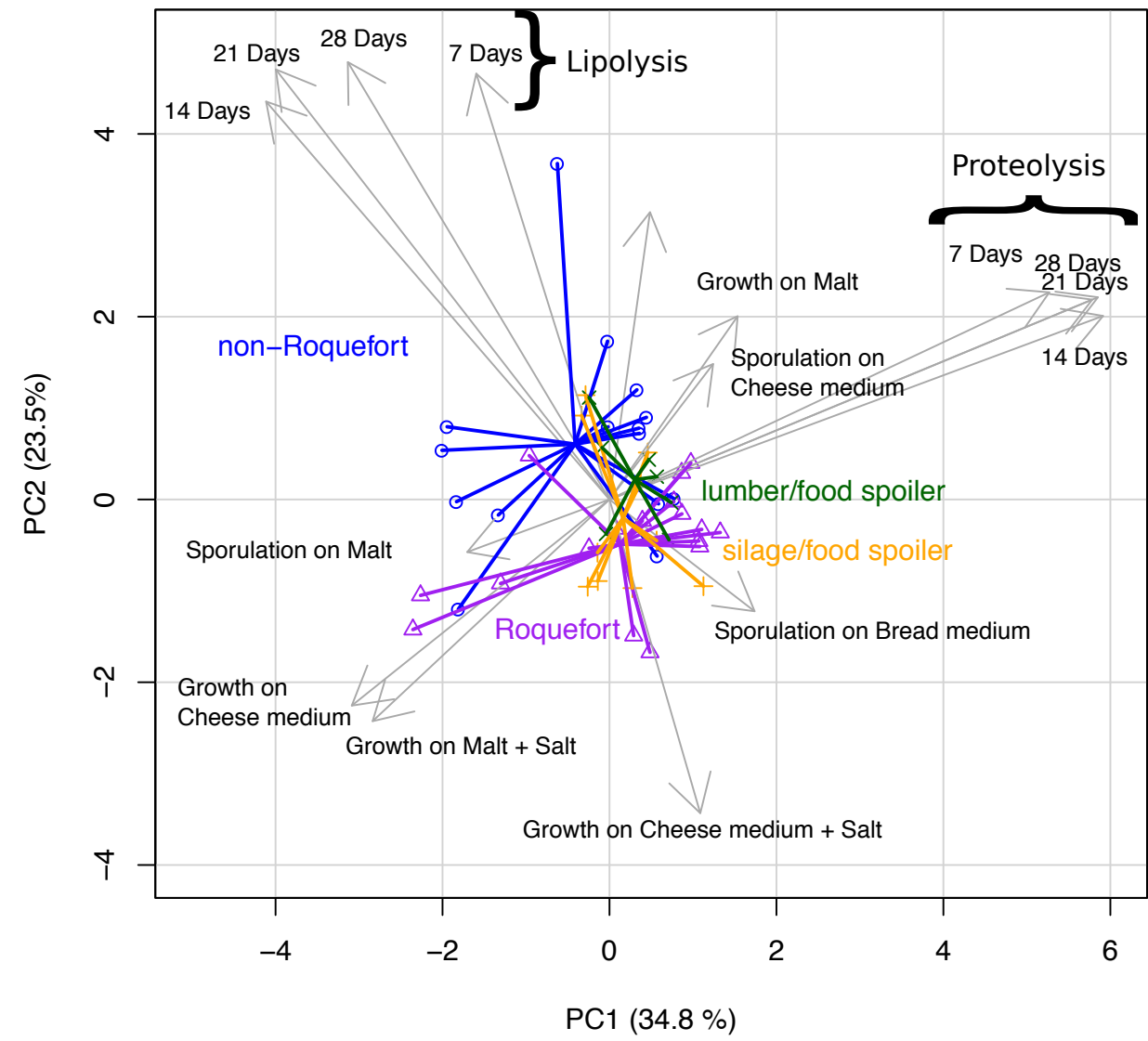
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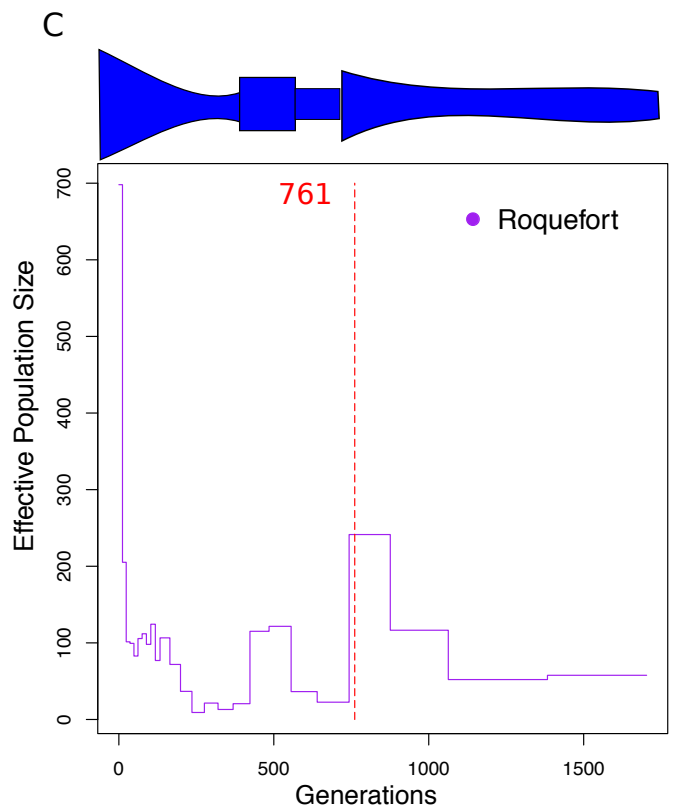
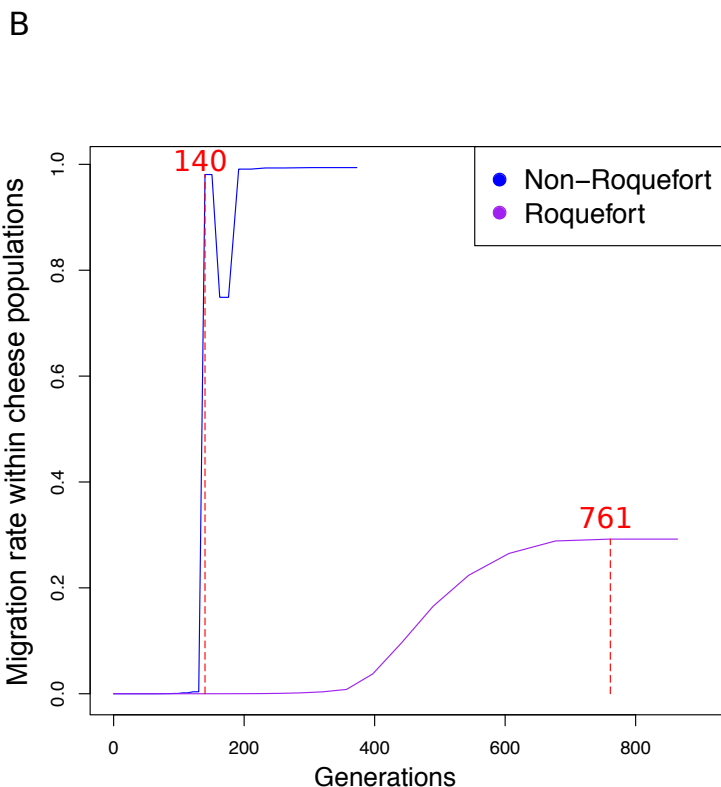
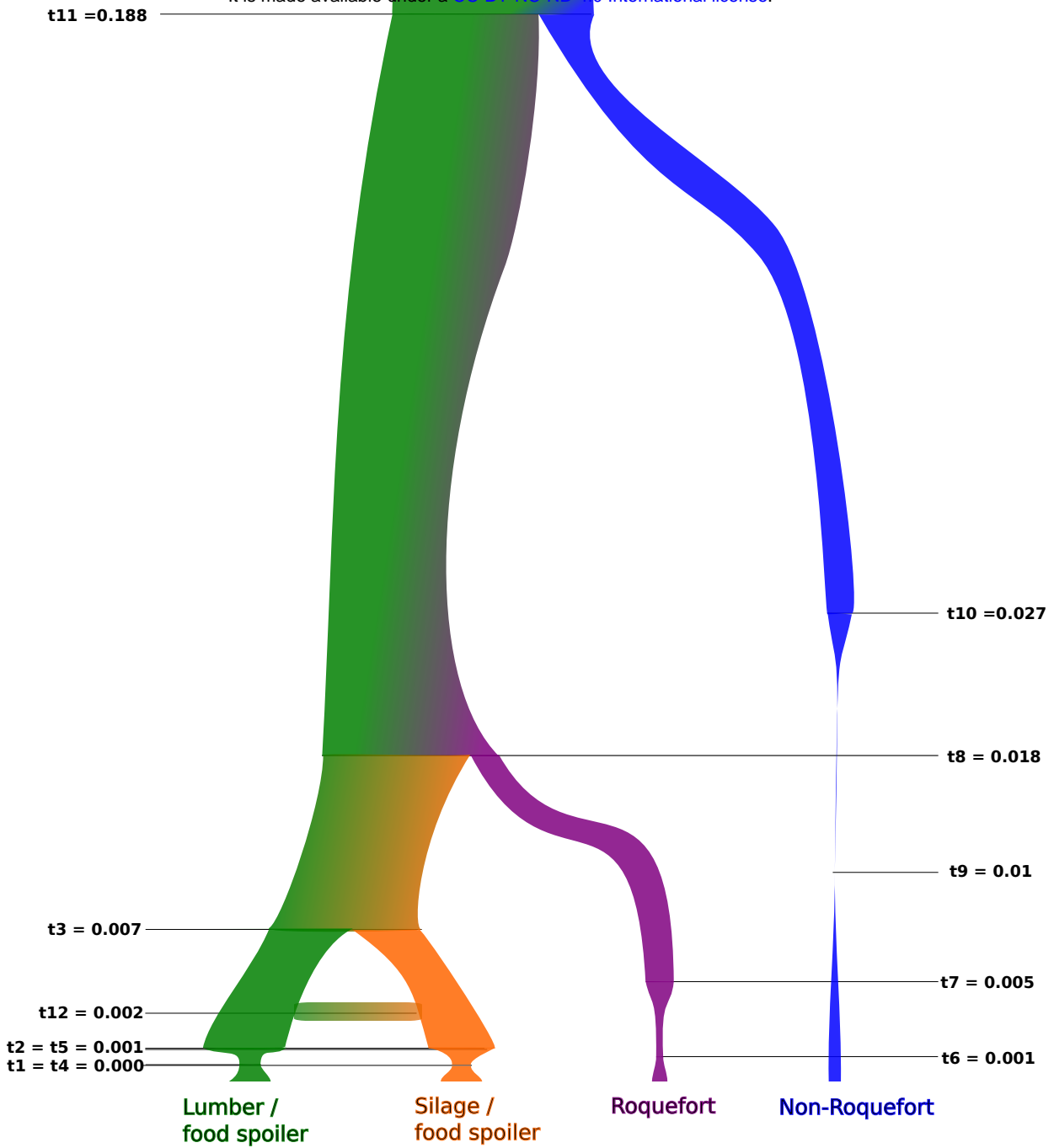
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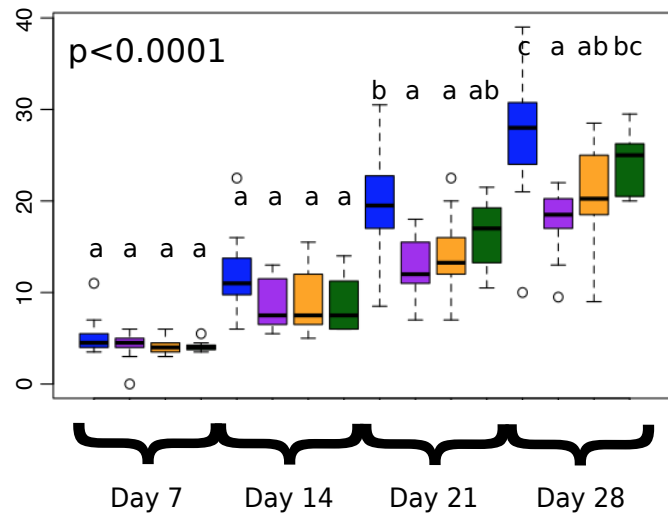
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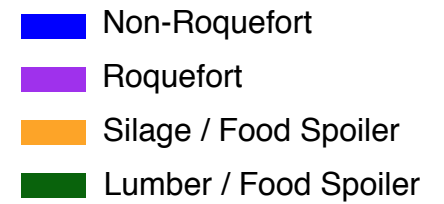
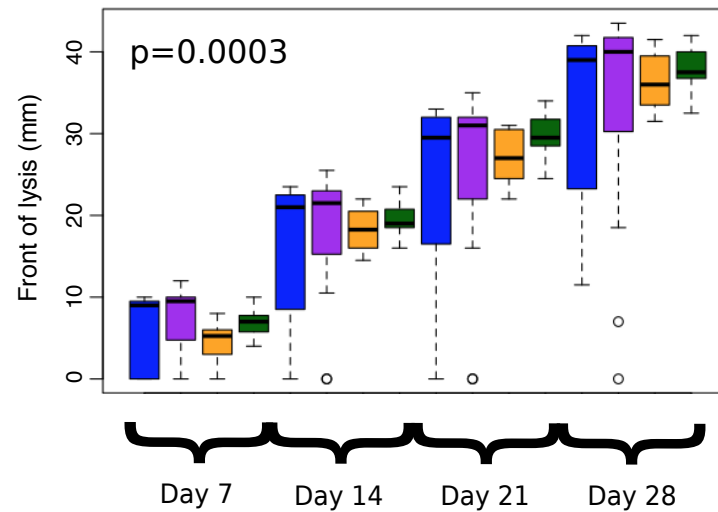




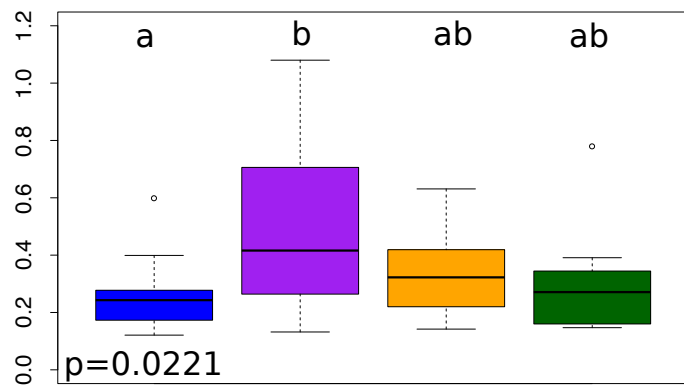
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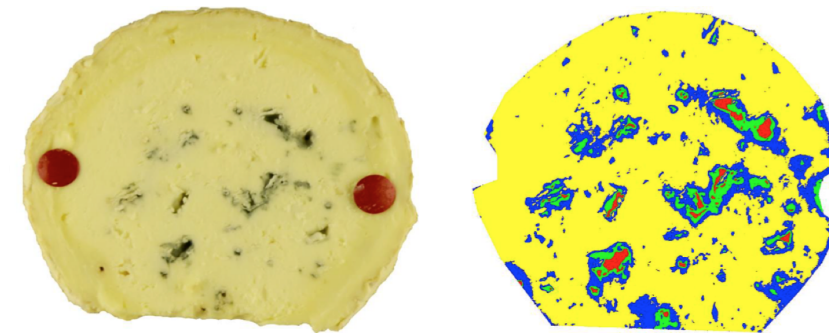
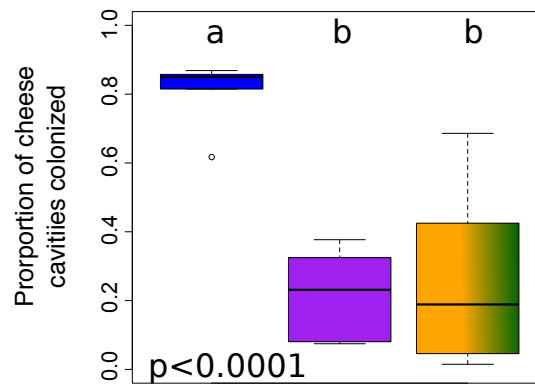
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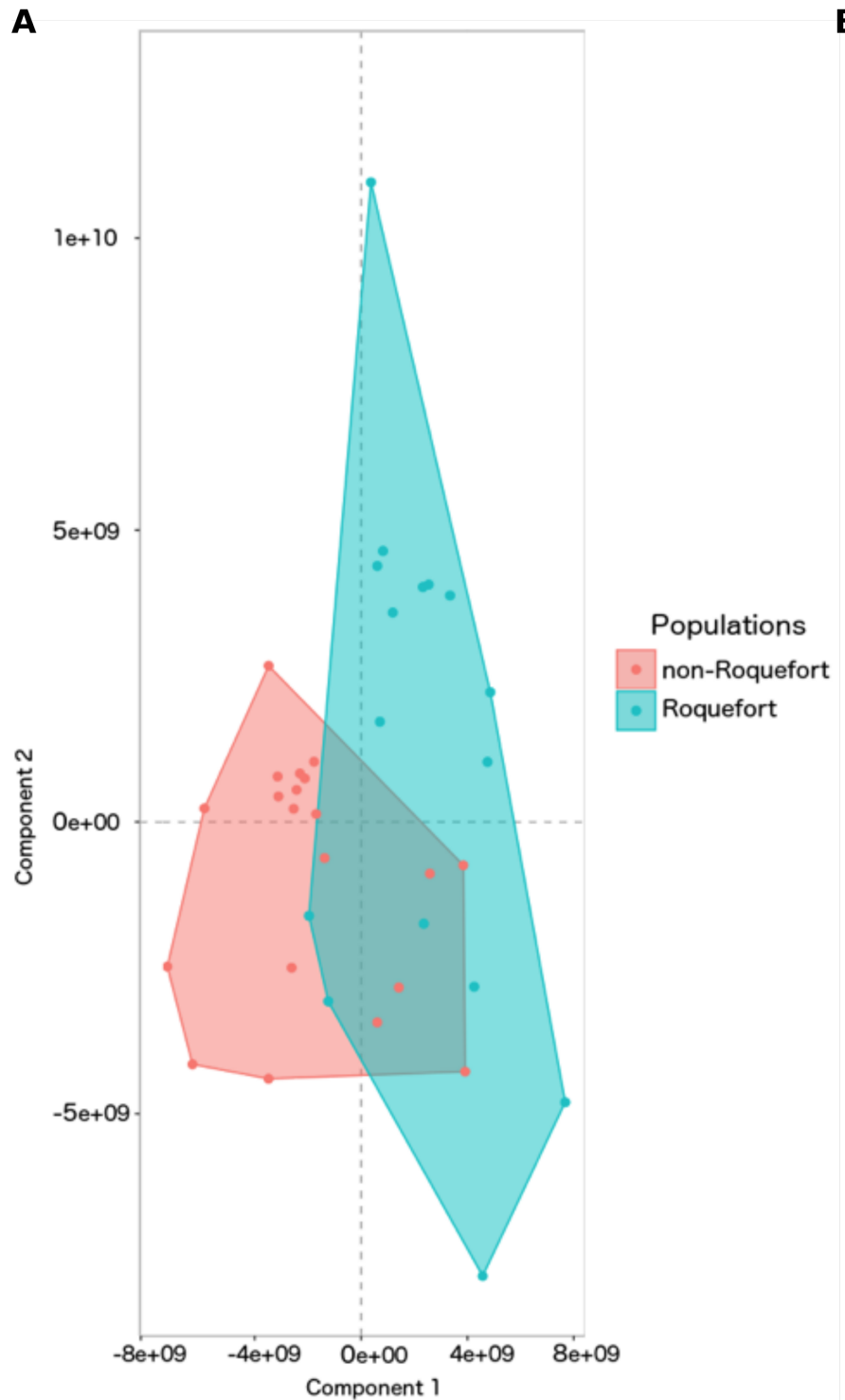


### Sporulation on Bread



### Cheese colonization

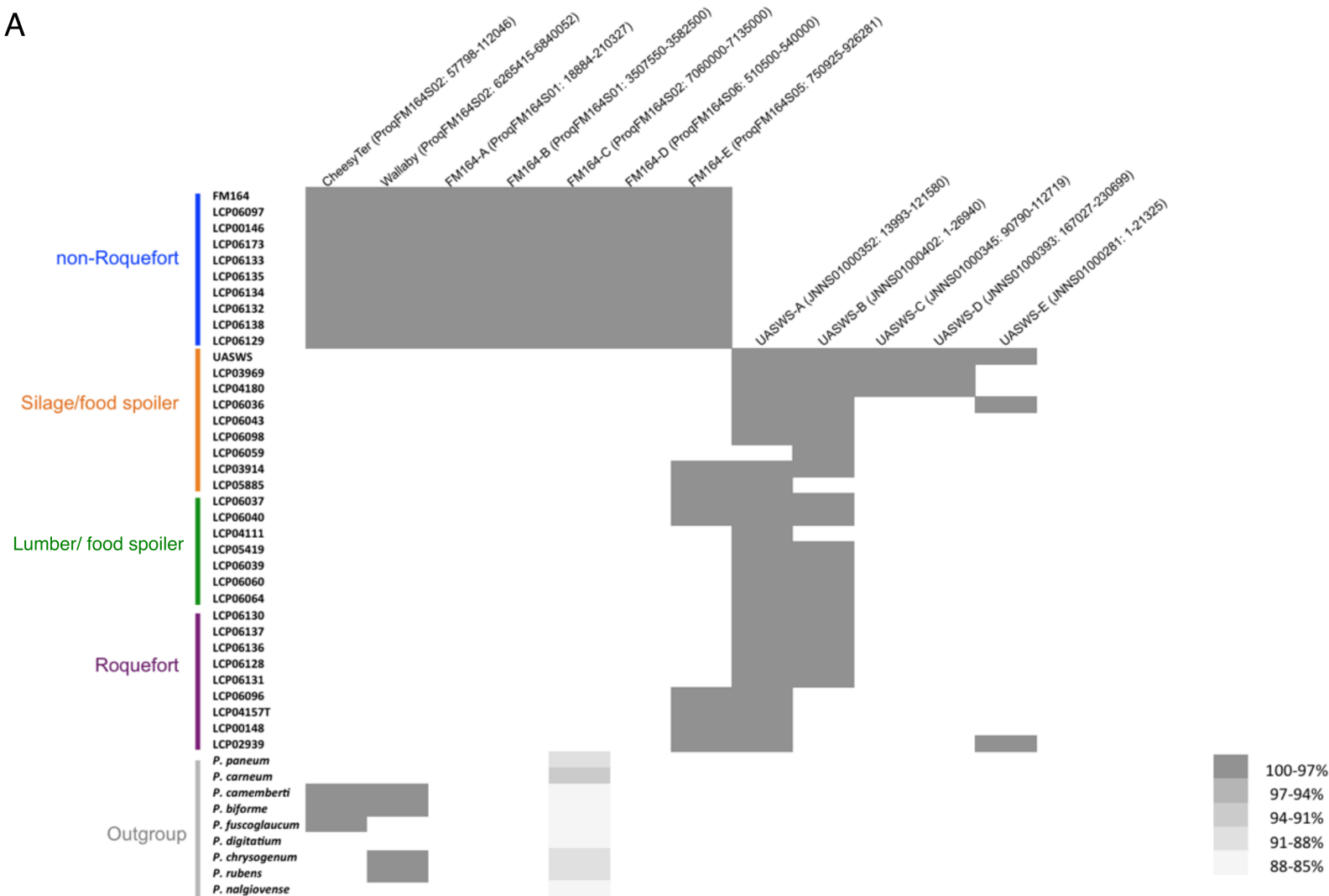




**B**

| Chemical class            | Volatile compounds (other name)                          | m/z        | Estimate           | Standard error    | Df         | t value        | Pr(> t )        |
|---------------------------|--|------------|--------------------|-------------------|------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Ketones                   | propan-2-one (acetone)                                   | 58         | 5.1105e-12         | 8.7161e-12        | 35         | 0.5863         | 0.561413        |
|                           | butan-2-one  | 43         | 9.6893e-13         | 2.1519e-11        | 35         | 0.0450         | 0.964341        |
|                           | pentan-2-one   | 58         | 3.5722e-12         | 4.5743e-12        | 35         | 0.7809         | 0.440102        |
|                           | <b>butane-2,3-dione (diacetyl)</b>                       | <b>86</b>  | <b>1.7389e-11</b>  | <b>8.2570e-12</b> | <b>35</b>  | <b>2.1059</b>  | <b>0.042452</b> |
|                           | 2-methylpentan-3-one                                     | 100        | -3.6707e-14        | 2.2278e-13        | 35         | -0.1648        | 0.870075        |
|                           | 4-methylpentan-2-one                                     | 100        | -2.8174e-13        | 1.4679e-13        | 35         | -1.9194        | 0.063118        |
|                           | heptan-2-one   | 58         | 2.1430e-12         | 2.8510e-11        | 35         | 0.0752         | 0.940512        |
|                           | 6-methylheptan-2-one                                     | 110        | -4.2094e-15        | 6.7433e-15        | 35         | -0.6242        | 0.536517        |
|                           | <b>octan-3-one</b>                                       | <b>99</b>  | <b>3.3524e-12</b>  | <b>1.3443e-12</b> | <b>35</b>  | <b>2.4937</b>  | <b>0.017515</b> |
|                           | <b>3-hydroxybutan-2-one (acetoin)</b>                    | <b>45</b>  | <b>1.1266e-10</b>  | <b>3.2646e-11</b> | <b>35</b>  | <b>3.4511</b>  | <b>0.001475</b> |
|                           | 2-hydroxypentan-3-one                                    | 102        | 7.9416e-14         | 5.1472e-14        | 35         | 1.5429         | 0.131848        |
|                           | nonan-2-one  | 57         | 1.6631e-11         | 1.7272e-11        | 35         | 0.9628         | 0.342228        |
|                           | non-8-en-2-one   | 82         | 1.3217e-12         | 1.5882e-12        | 35         | 0.8322         | 0.410927        |
|                           | decan-2-one  | 59         | 4.2918e-14         | 2.5445e-14        | 35         | 1.6867         | 0.100549        |
| undecan-2-one             | 58   | 1.3548e-11 | 1.1917e-11         | 35                | 1.1368     | 0.263334       |                 |
| Acids                     | 1-(2-aminophenyl)ethanone                                | 120        | -2.1713e-14        | 7.5074e-14        | 35         | -0.2892        | 0.774122        |
|                           | acetic acid  | 60         | 8.1443e-12         | 1.5289e-11        | 35         | 0.5327         | 0.597618        |
|                           | propanoic acid   | 74         | -1.3298e-12        | 9.8625e-12        | 35         | -0.1348        | 0.893512        |
|                           | 2-methylpropanoic acid                                   | 73         | 3.0534e-12         | 1.6745e-11        | 35         | 0.1823         | 0.856368        |
|                           | butanoic acid  | 60         | -6.0001e-12        | 2.1437e-11        | 35         | -0.2799        | 0.781209        |
|                           | 3-methylbutanoic acid                                    | 43         | -5.1382e-12        | 1.8056e-11        | 35         | -0.2846        | 0.777645        |
|                           | 4-methylpentanoic acid                                   | 74         | -7.1382e-12        | 2.1132e-11        | 35         | -0.3378        | 0.737534        |
|                           | hexanoic acid  | 60         | -3.8153e-12        | 9.5320e-12        | 35         | -0.4003        | 0.691398        |
|                           | octanoic acid  | 84         | -3.6948e-14        | 8.4859e-14        | 35         | -0.4354        | 0.665945        |
|                           | methanethiol   | 48         | -1.7684e-13        | 4.0058e-13        | 35         | -0.4415        | 0.661586        |
| Sulfur compounds          | methylsulfanylmethane                                    | 35         | 2.4421e-15         | 1.7160e-14        | 35         | 0.1423         | 0.887649        |
|                           | (methyldisulfanyl)methane                                | 94         | 1.0665e-11         | 1.8999e-11        | 35         | 0.5613         | 0.578155        |
|                           | S-methyl butanethioate                                   | 118        | -1.2664e-13        | 1.4019e-13        | 35         | -0.9033        | 0.372535        |
|                           | (methyltrisulfanyl)methane                               | 126        | -9.0796e-12        | 1.1893e-11        | 35         | -0.7634        | 0.450326        |
|                           | (methyldisulfanyl)-methylsulfanylmethane                 | 140        | -1.1100e-13        | 1.6581e-13        | 35         | -0.6695        | 0.507589        |
|                           | methylsulfonylmethane                                    | 94         | 1.8433e-13         | 2.4150e-13        | 35         | 0.7633         | 0.450405        |
|                           | Alcohols   | butan-2-ol | 59                 | -9.2360e-13       | 1.1768e-12 | 35             | -0.7848         |
| 2-methylpropan-1-ol       |  | 43         | 2.8563e-12         | 1.4753e-11        | 35         | 0.1936         | 0.847607        |
| <b>3-methylbutan-1-ol</b> |  | <b>55</b>  | <b>7.0951e-11</b>  | <b>2.0846e-11</b> | <b>35</b>  | <b>3.4035</b>  | <b>0.001682</b> |
| oct-1-en-3-ol             |  | 57         | 4.6461e-11         | 2.6848e-11        | 35         | 1.7305         | 0.092344        |
| nonan-2-ol                |  | 83         | 1.1241e-13         | 1.2719e-13        | 35         | 0.8839         | 0.382805        |
| 2-phenylethanol           |  | 92         | -7.3661e-14        | 1.2387e-13        | 35         | -0.5947        | 0.555889        |
| Aldehydes                 | butanal  | 55         | -1.9131e-12        | 5.6494e-12        | 35         | -0.3386        | 0.736903        |
|                           | 3-methylbutanal  | 58         | -3.6169e-12        | 4.4886e-11        | 35         | -0.0806        | 0.936236        |
|                           | 3-methylbut-2-enal                                       | 84         | -3.5077e-15        | 1.6735e-14        | 35         | -0.2096        | 0.835193        |
|                           | benzaldehyde   | 106        | -1.4806e-14        | 1.0074e-13        | 35         | -0.1470        | 0.883997        |
|                           | 2-phenylacetaldehyde                                     | 92         | 2.6495e-14         | 8.7604e-14        | 35         | 0.3024         | 0.764109        |
| Pyrazines                 | <b>2-methylpyrazine</b>                                  | <b>94</b>  | <b>-6.2491e-13</b> | <b>2.6627e-13</b> | <b>35</b>  | <b>-2.3469</b> | <b>0.024719</b> |
|                           | <b>2,5-dimethylpyrazine</b>                              | <b>42</b>  | <b>-3.7734e-11</b> | <b>1.5290e-11</b> | <b>35</b>  | <b>-2.4679</b> | <b>0.018622</b> |
|                           | 2,3,5-trimethylpyrazine                                  | 122        | 2.2775e-13         | 6.7771e-13        | 35         | 0.3361         | 0.738838        |
|                           | 2,3-dimethyl-5-[(E)-prop-1-enyl]pyrazine                 | 148        | 3.3785e-14         | 3.5925e-14        | 35         | 0.9404         | 0.353448        |
| Alkanes                   | octane   | 85         | -1.8613e-12        | 1.1278e-12        | 35         | -1.6504        | 0.107809        |
|                           | dodecane   | 98         | -1.0454e-13        | 7.2413e-14        | 35         | -1.4436        | 0.157739        |
| Esters                    | methyl 3-methylbut-2-enoate                              | 83         | 3.4011e-12         | 3.3609e-12        | 35         | 1.0120         | 0.318496        |
| Lactones                  | 4-methyl-2,3-dihydropyran-6-one                          | 54         | -2.2734e-13        | 2.1772e-13        | 35         | -1.0442        | 0.303561        |
| Phenols                   | 4-methylphenol (p-cresol)                                | 107        | 9.2738e-14         | 2.7672e-13        | 35         | 0.3351         | 0.739528        |
| Terpenes                  | 7-methyl-3-methylideneocta-1,6-diene ( $\beta$ -myrcene) | 93         | 2.4345e-13         | 5.9613e-13        | 35         | 0.4084         | 0.685477        |

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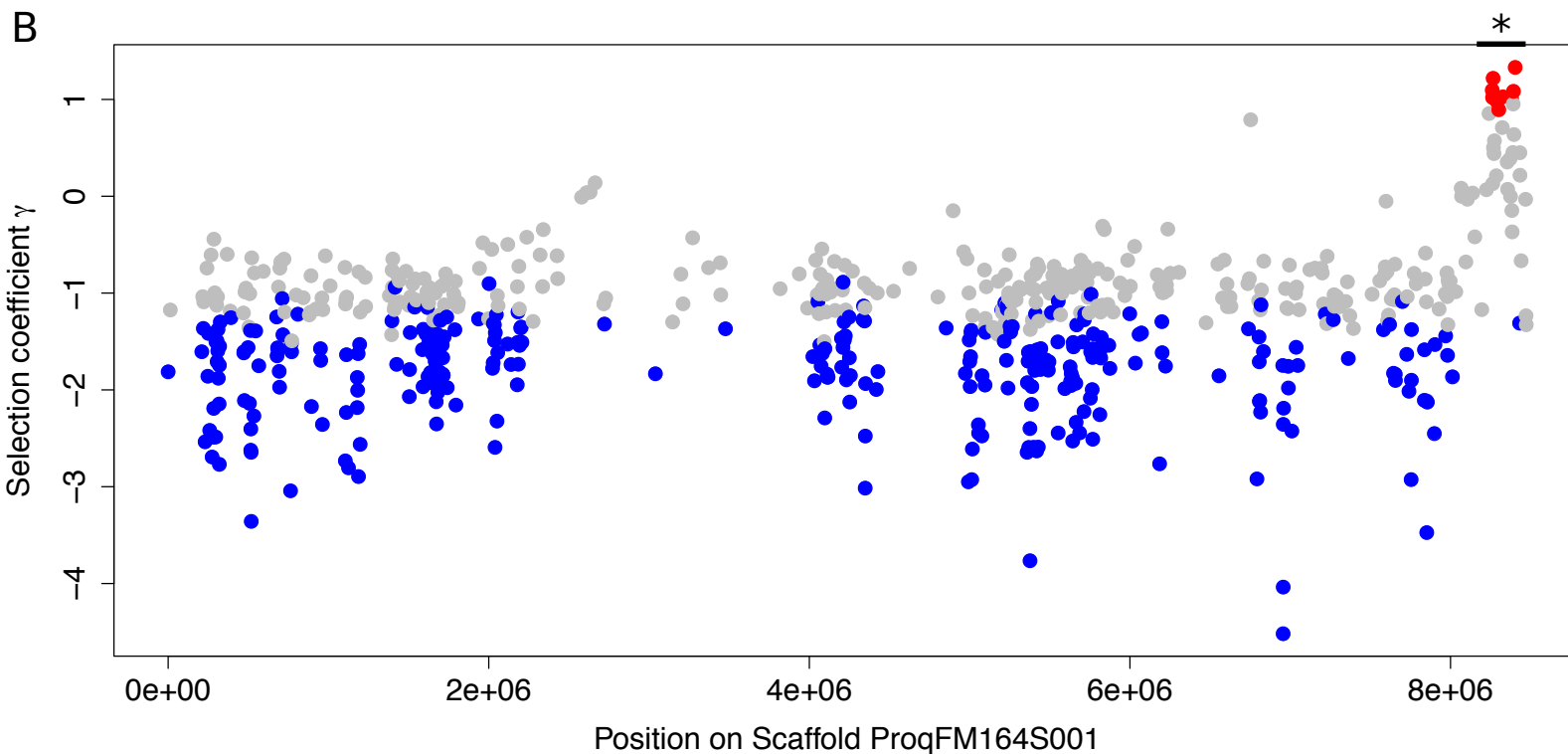
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| InterPro Number | Count in the region | Count in FM164 | Pvalue Fisher test | Pvalue Fisher test after correction | InterPro domain annotation  |
|-----------------|---------------------|----------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| IPR000641       | 2                   | 3              | 0.00484            | 0.15383                             | CbxX/CfqX* (Foulger, D. & Errington, J. 1991)   |
| IPR001138       | 2                   | 350            | 0.02629            | 0.18840                             | Zn(2)-C6 fungal-type DNA-binding domain   |
| IPR001223       | 3                   | 20             | 0.01446            | 0.15548                             | Glycoside hydrolase family 18, catalytic domain* (Tzelepis, GD. et al. 2012)                    |
| IPR002100       | 2                   | 13             | 0.04378            | 0.20115                             | Transcription factor, MADS-box  |
| IPR002641       | 1                   | 1              | 0.04444            | 0.20115                             | Patatin-like phospholipase domain *, ** (La Camera, S. et al. 2005; Zimmermann, R. et al. 2004) |
| IPR003286       | 2                   | 5              | 0.00987            | 0.15548                             | Reverse transcriptase   |
| IPR005197       | 2                   | 10             | 0.02877            | 0.19033                             | Glycoside hydrolase family 71 * (Hasegawa, S. & Nordin JH. 1969)                                |
| IPR006600       | 2                   | 6              | 0.01296            | 0.15548                             | HTH CenpB-type DNA-binding domain   |
| IPR007087       | 4                   | 42             | 0.01990            | 0.17570                             | Zinc finger, C2H2   |
| IPR008160       | 1                   | 1              | 0.04444            | 0.20115                             | Collagen triple helix repeat  |
| IPR011547       | 1                   | 1              | 0.04444            | 0.20115                             | SLC26A/SulP transporter domain ** (Bradfield, G. et al. 1970)                                   |
| IPR013069       | 2                   | 14             | 0.04929            | 0.21197                             | BTB/POZ domain  |
| IPR013103       | 2                   | 4              | 0.00715            | 0.15383                             | Reverse transcriptase   |
| IPR018122       | 1                   | 1              | 0.04444            | 0.20115                             | Fork head domain conserved site1  |
| IPR018834       | 2                   | 4              | 0.00715            | 0.15383                             | DNA/RNA-binding domain, Est1-type   |
| IPR020683       | 8                   | 101            | 0.00348            | 0.15383                             | Ankyrin repeat-containing domain  |
| IPR020829       | 1                   | 1              | 0.04444            | 0.20115                             | Glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate dehydrogenase, catalytic domain ** (Rogers, S. et al. 1986)          |
| IPR022198       | 2                   | 6              | 0.01296            | 0.15548                             | Protein of unknown function DUF3723   |
| IPR024088       | 1                   | 1              | 0.04444            | 0.20115                             | Tyrosine-tRNA ligase, bacterial-type  |
| IPR028343       | 1                   | 0              | 0.02247            | 0.17570                             | Fructose-1,6-bisphosphatase ** (Rogers, DT. et al. 1988)  |

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| Gene                         | Roquefort | Non Roquefort | <i>Penicillium roqueforti</i> | Protein Length | Annotation   |
|------------------------------|-----------|---------------|-------------------------------|----------------|--|
| ProqFM164S01g002533          | Neutral   | 0.659         | -2.164                        | 504            | Aromatic-ring-hydroxylase-like   |
| ProqFM164S01g002740          | Neutral   | 0.965         | -1.912                        | 461            | F-box-domain C-cyclin-like   |
| <b>ProqFM164S01g003510 *</b> | 1.097     | Neutral       | Neutral                       | 253            | Unknown function   |
| <b>ProqFM164S01g003511 *</b> | 1.021     | Neutral       | Neutral                       | 166            | Unknown function   |
| <b>ProqFM164S01g003514 *</b> | 1.219     | Neutral       | -2.228                        | 332            | Unknown function   |
| <b>ProqFM164S01g003523 *</b> | 0.980     | Neutral       | -2.869                        | 940            | UDP-glucuronosyl/UDP-glucosyltransferase                                 |
| <b>ProqFM164S01g003529 *</b> | 0.895     | Neutral       | Neutral                       | 534            | Putative glycosyl transferase  |
| <b>ProqFM164S01g003542 *</b> | 1.029     | Neutral       | -1.119                        | 3848           | Transcription associated protein   |
| <b>ProqFM164S01g003561 *</b> | 1.010     | Neutral       | -1.614                        | 503            | sap61, CWF-complex-protein   |
| <b>ProqFM164S01g003566 *</b> | 1.084     | Neutral       | -1.809                        | 601            | Beta-lactamase/transpeptidase-like                                       |
| <b>ProqFM164S01g003570 *</b> | 1.332     | Neutral       | Neutral                       | 65             | Unknown function   |
| ProqFM164S03g000676          | 1.244     | Neutral       | Neutral                       | 232            | Unknown function   |
| ProqFM164S03g001307          | 0.776     | Neutral       | Neutral                       | 1635           | Regulator-of-chromosome-condensation/beta-lactamase-inhibitor-protein-II |
| ProqFM164S04g000246          | 1.001     | Neutral       | Neutral                       | 528            | Major-facilitator-superfamily  |
| ProqFM164S04g000250          | 1.442     | 0.912         | Neutral                       | 335            | RPB3, DNA-directed-RNA-polymerase-II-subunit                             |
| ProqFM164S04g000252          | 1.241     | Neutral       | Neutral                       | 435            | Acyl-CoA-N-acyltransferase   |
| ProqFM164S04g000579          | 1.183     | Neutral       | Neutral                       | 78             | Unknown function   |
| ProqFM164S04g000895          | Neutral   | 0.912         | Neutral                       | 124            | Unknown function   |
| ProqFM164S06g000156          | Neutral   | 0.956         | Neutral                       | 400            | Unknown function   |

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