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## 1- Funding statement

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# 2- Sampling data

**Table A1** Sampling sites and number of individuals (*N*=1297) for caribou and reindeer (*Rangifer tarandus*) herds and ecotypes across the species' Holarctic distribution. All individuals were genotyped at 16 nuclear microsatellites (see Material and Methods).

|    | Herd                            | Province/State  | Country   | Abr.  | lat   | long    | N  | Ecotype          | Size (Nc) | Years     | Source                   |
|----|---------------------------------|-----------------|-----------|-------|-------|---------|----|------------------|-----------|-----------|--------------------------|
| 1  | Kangerlussuaq-<br>Sisimiut      | Greenland       | Greenland | KaSi  | 67.08 | -50.90  | 29 | Migratory tundra | 98300     | 2010      | CARMA (2016)             |
| 2  | Svalbard                        | Svalbard        | Norway    | Sval  | 78.11 | 15.41   | 20 | Svalbard         | 1720      | 2005      | Reimers et al. (2011)    |
| 3  | Finnmark *                      | Norway          | Norway    | FinK  | 70.00 | 25.10   | 24 | Domestic         | 182500    | 2013      | Johnsen et al. (2015)    |
| 4  | Varanger *                      | Norway          | Norway    | Vara  | 70.37 | 30.00   | 12 | Domestic         | 10000     | 2011      | Henden et al. (2011)     |
| 5  | Hardangervidda                  | Langfjella      | Norway    | Harda | 60.10 | 7.03    | 14 | Migratory tundra | 6000      | 2002      | CARMA (2016)             |
| 6  | Iceland *                       | Eastern Iceland | Iceland   | Icel  | 65.09 | -15.07  | 27 | Introduced       | 4800      | 2013-2014 | Russell and Gunn (2013)  |
| 7  | Snøhetta                        | Rondane Dovre   | Norway    | Snoh  | 62.30 | 9.20    | 24 | Migratory tundra | 2000      | 2000-2011 | Jordhøy et al. (2012)    |
| 8  | Finland                         | Finland         | Finland   | Finl  | 64.40 | 29.30   | 23 | Boreal forest    | 960       | 2007      | MAF (2007)               |
| 9  | Wrangel *                       | Chukotka        | Russia    | Wran  | 71.25 | -179.67 | 6  | Introduced       | 500       | 2007      | Sheremetev et al. (2014) |
| 10 | Nenetsky *                      | Nenetsky        | Russia    | Nenet | 68.32 | 53.16   | 7  | Domestic         | 100000    | 2000      | Taras Sipko Pers. Comm   |
| 11 | Yamal *                         | Yamalia         | Russia    | Yaml  | 69.96 | 70.09   | 3  | Domestic         | 380000    | 2012      | Golovatin et al. (2012)  |
| 12 | Taymyr                          | Taymir          | Russia    | Taym  | 71.55 | 90.08   | 61 | Migratory tundra | 750000    | 2003      | CARMA (2016)             |
| 13 | Lena                            | Yakutia         | Russia    | Lena  | 72.77 | 123.76  | 36 | Migratory tundra | 95000     | 2009      | CARMA (2016)             |
| 14 | Western Arctic                  | Alaska          | USA       | WesA  | 67.52 | -158.30 | 25 | Migratory tundra | 235000    | 2013      | CARMA (2016)             |
| 15 | Northern<br>Alaska<br>Peninsula | Alaska          | USA       | NoAP  | 57.56 | -156.95 | 20 | Mountain         | 2000      | 2011      | Mager et al. (2014)      |
| 16 | Teshekpuk                       | Alaska          | USA       | Tesh  | 69.21 | -154.79 | 20 | Migratory tundra | 32000     | 2013      | CARMA (2016)             |
| 17 | Denali                          | Alaska          | USA       | Dena  | 63.33 | -150.50 | 6  | Mountain         | 2100      | 2011      | Mager et al. (2014)      |
| 18 | Central Arctic                  | Alaska          | USA       | CenA  | 70.02 | -148.95 | 22 | Migratory tundra | 70000     | 2013      | CARMA (2016)             |

| 19 | White<br>Mountains  | Alaska                | USA    | WhiM  | 65.53 | -147.59 | 20 | Mountain         | 650    | 2011 | Mager et al. (2014)  |
|----|---------------------|-----------------------|--------|-------|-------|---------|----|------------------|--------|------|--|
| 20 | Porcupine           | Yukon                 | Canada | Porc  | 67.67 | -141.04 | 29 | Migratory tundra | 197000 | 2013 | CARMA (2016)   |
| 21 | Tay River           | Yukon                 | Canada | TayR  | 62.15 | -132.35 | 7  | Mountain         | 3750   | 1996 | Hegel and Russell (2013)   |
| 22 | South Nahanni       | Yukon                 | Canada | SNah  | 62.18 | -128.59 | 22 | Mountain         | 2100   | 2009 | Hegel and Russell (2013)   |
| 23 | Bluenose East       | Northwest Territories | Canada | BluE  | 66.13 | -117.85 | 31 | Migratory tundra | 68000  | 2013 | CARMA (2016)   |
| 24 | Bathurst            | Northwest Territories | Canada | Bath  | 64.44 | -112.42 | 28 | Migratory tundra | 35000  | 2012 | CARMA (2016)   |
| 25 | Ahiak/Beverly       | Nunavut               | Canada | AhBv  | 63.26 | -104.44 | 50 | Migratory tundra | 195000 | 2011 | CARMA (2016)   |
| 26 | Qamanirjuaq         | Nunavut               | Canada | Qama  | 60.52 | -97.94  | 22 | Migratory tundra | 345000 | 2008 | CARMA (2016)   |
| 27 | Dolphin-Union       | Nunavut               | Canada | DoUn  | 69.55 | -109.36 | 14 | Migratory tundra | 30000  | 2012 | Serrouya et al. (2012)   |
| 28 | Bathurst Island     | Nunavut               | Canada | Peary | 75.77 | -99.78  | 20 | Peary            | 187    | 2012 | Serrouya et al. (2012)   |
| 29 | Columbia-<br>North  | British Columbia      | Canada | ColN  | 51.66 | -118.63 | 24 | Mountain         | 155    | 2012 | Serrouya et al. (2012)   |
| 30 | A La Peche          | British Columbia      | Canada | ALPe  | 53.54 | -118.79 | 20 | Mountain         | 135    | 2013 | Weckworth et al. (2013)  |
| 31 | Narraway            | British Columbia      | Canada | Narr  | 54.39 | -120.30 | 20 | Mountain         | 100    | 2013 | Weckworth et al. (2013)  |
| 32 | Besa Prophet        | British Columbia      | Canada | BePr  | 57.47 | -123.37 | 21 | Mountain         | 100    | 2012 | Environment Canada (2012)  |
| 33 | Cold Lake           | Alberta               | Canada | CoLa  | 54.46 | -110.18 | 20 | Boreal forest    | 125    | 2012 | Serrouya et al. (2012  |
| 34 | RedEarth            | Alberta               | Canada | RedE  | 57.10 | -114.70 | 20 | Boreal forest    | 275    | 2012 | Serrouya et al. (2012)   |
| 35 | Caribou<br>Mountain | Alberta               | Canada | CarM  | 59.19 | -115.59 | 20 | Boreal forest    | 350    | 2012 | Environment Canada (2012   |
| 36 | Chinchaga           | Alberta               | Canada | Chin  | 57.51 | -119.01 | 20 | Boreal forest    | 250    | 2012 | Environment Canada (2012   |
| 37 | Naosap Lake         | Manitoba              | Canada | NaoL  | 54.86 | -101.40 | 23 | Boreal forest    | 200    | 2012 | Environment Canada (2012   |
| 38 | The Bog             | Manitoba              | Canada | TBog  | 53.35 | -101.18 | 8  | Boreal forest    | 75     | 2012 | Environment Canada (2012   |
| 39 | Harding Lake        | Manitoba              | Canada | HarL  | 56.11 | -98.22  | 20 | Boreal forest    | 125    | 2012 | Environment Canada (2012   |
| 40 | Charron Lake        | Manitoba              | Canada | CharL | 53.00 | -95.78  | 19 | Boreal forest    | 500    | 2012 | Environment Canada (2012   |
| 41 | Val d'Or            | Quebec                | Canada | VaOr  | 47.74 | -78.21  | 25 | Boreal forest    | 20     | 2012 | Équipe de rétablissement<br>du caribou forestier du<br>Québec (2013) |

| 42 | La Sarre                 | Quebec       | Canada | LaSa  | 48.77 | -79.17 | 30 | Boreal forest    | 492    | 2012 | Environment Canada (2012   |
|----|--------------------------|--------------|--------|-------|-------|--------|----|------------------|--------|------|--|
| 43 | Temiscami                | Quebec       | Canada | Temi  | 50.57 | -75.48 | 26 | Boreal forest    | 110    | 2002 | Équipe de rétablissement<br>du caribou forestier du<br>Québec (2013) |
| 44 | Port-Neuf                | Quebec       | Canada | PoNe  | 49.13 | -70.41 | 35 | Boreal forest    | 50     | 2004 | Équipe de rétablissement<br>du caribou forestier du<br>Québec (2013) |
| 45 | Pipmuacan                | Quebec       | Canada | Pipm  | 49.66 | -70.27 | 29 | Boreal forest    | 134    | 2012 | Environment Canada (2012   |
| 46 | Manicouagan              | Quebec       | Canada | Manic | 50.96 | -68.53 | 34 | Boreal forest    | 181    | 2012 | Environment Canada (2012   |
| 47 | Bowater                  | Quebec       | Canada | Bowa  | 50.45 | -71.75 | 33 | Boreal forest    | 480    | 2007 | Équipe de rétablissement<br>du caribou forestier du<br>Québec (2013) |
| 48 | La Romaine               | Quebec       | Canada | Roma  | 50.98 | -63.36 | 31 | Boreal forest    | 240    | 2009 | Équipe de rétablissement<br>du caribou forestier du<br>Québec (2013) |
| 49 | Lac Joseph               | Labrador     | Canada | LJos  | 52.45 | -64.65 | 37 | Boreal forest    | 1047   | 2009 | (Schmelzer 2011)   |
| 50 | RedWine                  | Labrador     | Canada | Rwin  | 53.21 | -61.63 | 20 | Boreal forest    | 97     | 2012 | Environment Canada (2012   |
| 51 | Mealy<br>Mountain        | Labrador     | Canada | Mealy | 53.67 | -57.68 | 14 | Boreal forest    | 1604   | 2012 | Environment Canada (2012   |
| 52 | Rivière-George           | e Quebec     | Canada | Geor  | 55.72 | -63.99 | 25 | Migratory tundra | 14200  | 2014 | CARMA (2016)   |
| 53 | Torngat                  | Labrador     | Canada | Torn  | 58.24 | -63.22 | 23 | Mountain         | 930    | 2014 | Couturier and Mitchell Foley (2014)                                  |
| 54 | Rivière-aux-<br>Feuilles | Quebec       | Canada | Leaf  | 56.89 | -73.95 | 25 | Migratory tundra | 430000 | 2011 | CARMA (2016)   |
| 55 | Gaspésie                 | Quebec       | Canada | Gasp  | 48.93 | -66.28 | 29 | Mountain         | 103    | 2012 | Lalonde and Michaud (2013)   |
| 56 | Gaff Topsails            | Newfoundland | Canada | GaTop | 49.15 | -56.65 | 13 | Boreal forest    | 2800   | 2010 | Morrison et al. (2012)   |
| 57 | Pot Hill                 | Newfoundland | Canada | PHill | 48.59 | -55.72 | 11 | Boreal forest    | 4200   | 2010 | Morrison et al. (2012)   |
|    |                          |              |        |       |       |        |    |                  |        |      |  |

<sup>\*:</sup> indicate semi-domestic or introduced populations.

# 3- Description of environmental variables

Table A2 Description of the variables used to estimate environmental distances among the studied populations of caribou and reindeer (Rangifer tarandus) across the species' Holarctic distribution.

|        | Variable | Description  |                                    |
|--------|----------|--|------------------------------------|
| Vac    | NPP      | Net primary productivity                                 | [1-km] <sup>1</sup>                |
| Veg.   | TREE     | Proportion of tree cover                                 | $[8-km]^2$                         |
|        | BIO1     | Annual Mean Temperature                                  | $[1-km]^3$                         |
|        | BIO2     | Mean Diurnal Range (Mean of monthly [max temp - 1 temp]) | min <sub>[1-km]</sub> <sup>3</sup> |
|        | BIO3     | Isothermality (BIO2/BIO7) (* 100)                        | $[1-km]^3$                         |
|        | BIO4     | Temperature Seasonality (standard deviation *100)        | $[1-km]^3$                         |
|        | BIO5     | Max Temperature of Warmest Month                         | $[1-km]^3$                         |
| Temp.  | BIO6     | Min Temperature of Coldest Month                         | $[1-km]^3$                         |
|        | BIO7     | Temperature Annual Range (BIO5-BIO6)                     | $[1-km]^3$                         |
|        | BIO8     | Mean Temperature of Wettest Quarter                      | $[1-km]^3$                         |
|        | BIO9     | Mean Temperature of Driest Quarter                       | $[1-km]^3$                         |
|        | BIO10    | Mean Temperature of Warmest Quarter                      | $[1-km]^3$                         |
|        | BIO11    | Mean Temperature of Coldest Quarter                      | $[1-km]^{3}$                       |
|        | BIO12    | Annual Precipitation                                     | $[1-km]^3$                         |
|        | BIO13    | Precipitation of Wettest Month                           | $[1-km]^3$                         |
|        | BIO14    | Precipitation of Driest Month                            | $[1-km]^{3}$                       |
| Precip | BIO15    | Precipitation Seasonality (Coefficient of Variation)     | $[1-km]^3$                         |
|        | BIO16    | Precipitation of Wettest Quarter                         | $[1-km]^3$                         |
|        | BIO17    | Precipitation of Driest Quarter                          | $[1-km]^3$                         |
|        | BIO18    | Precipitation of Warmest Quarter                         | $[1-km]^3$                         |
|        | BIO19    | Precipitation of Coldest Quarter                         | $[1-km]^{3}$                       |
| Elev.  | alt      | Digital elevation model                                  | [1-km] <sup>3</sup>                |

MODIS satellite images (Kucharik et al. 2000)
 http://www.landcover.org (DeFries et al. 2000)
 WorldClim Version 1.4 (Hijmans et al. 2005)

#### 4- Additional information on genetic differentiation

Genetic distances between pairs of populations were initially estimated as  $F_{\rm ST}$  according to Weir and Cockerham (1984), Cavalli-Sforza chord distance Dc (Cavalli-Sforza and Edwards 1967),  $G''_{\rm ST}$ , a standardized measure of population differentiation based on Nei's  $G_{\rm ST}$  (Hedrick 2005, Meirmans and Hedrick. 2011), and Jost's D, a metric that is independent of the amount of genetic diversity within samples (Jost 2008).  $F_{\rm ST}$ , Cavalli-Sforza chord distance Dc,  $G''_{\rm ST}$ , and Jost's D were computed using GENODIVE 2.0b27 (Meirmans and Van Tienderen 2004). Because Cavalli-Sforza chord distance Dc,  $G''_{\rm ST}$ , and Jost's D distances were highly correlated (all Pearson's correlations r > 0.96; Fig. A1), we only used  $F_{\rm ST}$  and Dc distances for further analyses.

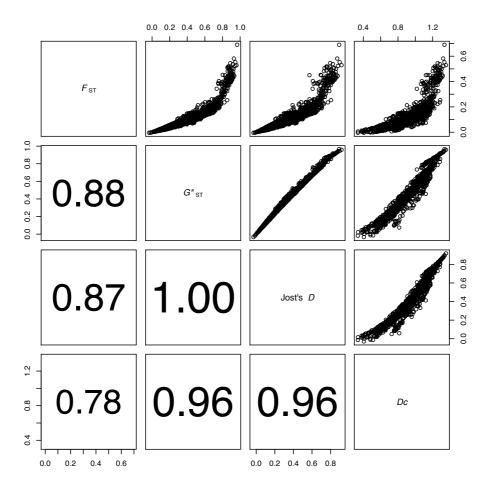
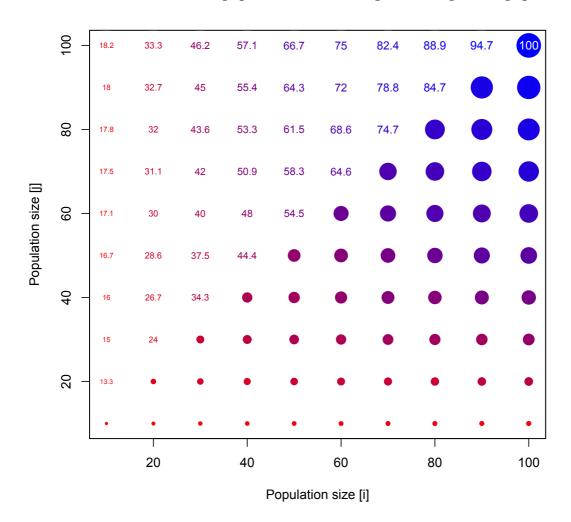


Figure A1 Pearson's correlation among genetic distances between pairs of populations

The degree of genetic differentiation  $(F_{ST})$  among herds ranged between 0.00 and 0.69 (mean  $F_{ST}$  = 0.11, 95% CI 0.10:0.12) within the Euro-Beringian lineage and between 0.00 and 0.24 (mean  $F_{ST} = 0.08$ , 95% CI 0.07:0.09) within the North American genetic lineage. Within the Euro-Beringian lineage, the herds from Greenland and Svalbard displayed the highest levels of genetic differentiation both between them ( $F_{\rm ST}$  = 0.69, P < 0.001) and in comparison with other herds (average  $F_{\rm ST}$  Greenland = 0.44±0.07, 95% CI 0.42: 0.46; average  $F_{ST}$  Svalbard = 0.41±0.06, 95% CI 0.40: 0.43). Within the North American lineage, the highest levels of genetic differentiation were found between the herds from Newfoundland and the herds from the mainland (mean  $F_{ST} = 0.14$ , 95% CI 0.12:0.15) and with isolated herds (e.g., average  $F_{ST}$  Gaspésie = 0.19±0.06, 95% CI 0.17: 0.20). Semidomestic herds from Russia also displayed significant levels of genetic differentiation with the closest natural populations (see Fig. 3), probably due to low sample sizes or bottlenecks and loss of neutral genetic diversity by strong drift during domestication. Chord distances (Dc) across all populations ranged from 0.00 to 1.35 (mean Dc = 0.92, 95% CI 0.90:0.93), from 0.00 to 1.34 within the Euro-Beringian lineage (mean Dc = 0.87, 95% CI 0.85:0.89), and from 0.00 to 1.06 within the North American lineage (mean Dc = 0.64, 95% CI 0.60:0.68).

## 5- Harmonic mean of census population sizes among fictitious pairs of populations



**Figure A2** Harmonic mean of census population sizes (Nc) among fictitious pairs of populations i and j. Population sizes range from 10 to 100. Nc decrease disproportionally with decreasing population sizes.

#### 6- Statistical analyses

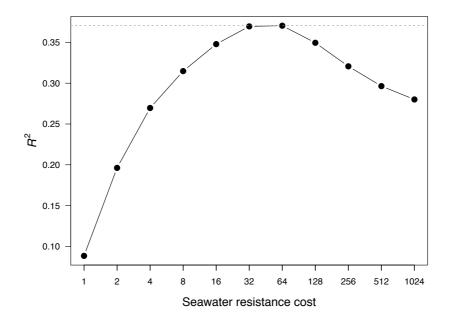
A variety of statistical and analytical methods exists for analyzing distance matrices in landscape genetics (Hanks and Hooten 2013, McCullagh 2009) and have been subject to intensive discussion in the recent literature (Balkenhol et al. 2009, Guillot and Rousset 2013, Jaquiéry et al. 2011, Legendre and Fortin 2010). Here, in addition to the Information Theoretic approach (Burnham and Anderson 2002), we used the "Multiple Matrix Regression with Randomization" function (MMRR; Wang 2013) implemented in R version 3.2.3 (R Development Core Team 2016). MMRR analyses have some of the limitations of Mantel tests (Graves et al. 2013, Guillot and Rousset 2013, Jaquiéry et al. 2011, Legendre and Fortin 2010) but allow incorporating simultaneously multiple predictor distance matrices and estimating their relative effect sizes (Wang 2013). MMRR uses  $n \times n$  distance matrices, returns the coefficients of regression and the coefficient of determination ( $R^2$ ), performs randomized permutations, and estimates significance for all parameters (Wang 2013). MMRRs included genetic distances as response variables and a set of dissimilarity matrices as explanatory variables.

#### 7- Inferring seawater resistance surface

Resistance models can be employed under a wide variety of scenarios, from hypothetical landscapes consisting on binary habitat classes (e.g. habitat/non-habitat) to complex landscapes considering multiple habitat features each with different effects on gene flow (McRae 2006, McRae and Beier 2007). Here, we used a landmass/seawater map reflecting seawater resistance to caribou movement as a more realistic alternative to classical IBD (sse McRae and Beier 2007 for a similar approach). Based on a digital elevation model available from Worldclim version 1.4 with a 1-km resolution (Table A2; Hijmans et al. 2005), we built hypothetical resistance surfaces by setting the value of areas covered by seawater an increasing resistance of 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, 256, 512, and 1024 per raster cell, while

keeping landmass raster resistance costs at 1 (see Schwartz et al. 2009 for a similar approach). However, while caribou can swim across open water over short distances of 3–10 km (Leblond et al. 2016, Miller 1995, Poole et al. 2010), their movements on sea ice can reach 380 km (Miller et al. 2005). Therefore, following Geffen et al. (2007) and Jenkins et al. (2016), we also weighted the landscape resistance for the occurrence of sea ice among sampling locations. To do so, we retrieved monthly Arctic sea ice extent from 1979 to 2010 available at the National Snow and Ice Data Centre (University of Colorado, Boulder, USA). We then calculated the probability of sea ice occurrence among locations over the 1979-2010 period, i.e., we estimated for each pixel of the landscape layer the number of years with sea ice divided by the number of years of sea ice survey. We focused on two time periods biologically relevant for caribou, which represent opportunities for genetic exchanges among populations, e.g., pre-calving migration and calving season [May-June] and rutting period [October-November] (Boulet et al. 2007, Yannic et al. 2014). Finally, we assigned a resistance value of 1 for landmass and sea ice (see Jenkins et al. 2016), and tested a varying resistance value for sea water set between 2 and 1024, and weighted for the probability of sea ice occurrence. To determine seawater resistance, we calculated pairwise distances between populations following circuit theory on each resistance surface using the commuteDistance function implemented in the 'gdistance' 1.1-4 R package (R Development Core Team 2016), and then correlated geographic distance with genetic distance with the MMRR R function (Wang 2013). This approach identifies a peak of support for the landscape resistance surface that better explains genetic differentiation (Graves et al. 2013, Shirk et al. 2010), i.e., the model with the highest correlation between resistance distance and genetic differentiation ( $R^2$ ; see Fig. A3). Because resistance distance models based on May-June and October-November raster of sea-ice occurrence were highly correlated (all Pearson's correlations r > 0.92), we only presented results based on the May-June period,

that is corresponding to the pre-calving migration and calving season. The location of the traditional calving ground of caribou herds is also generally see as a proxy for herd location, because of the philopatric behavior of caribou to calving sites (Boulet et al. 2007).



**Figure A3**. Plot of  $R^2$  values obtained for MMRRs testing the effect of hypothetical raster surfaces on genetic differentiation ( $F_{ST}$ ). Cost distances were obtained using circuit theory and an increasing resistance given to seawater [2:1024], weighted for the probability of sea ice occurrence. This approach identifies a peak of support for the model with the highest coefficient of determination ( $R^2$ ) between geographic distance and genetic distance. The relationship peaks at a seawater resistance of 32. Note: all correlations were highly significant (all p-values <0.001). A resistance of 1 corresponds to a flat landscape.

#### 8- Isolation-by-distance vs isolation-by-resistance

We used MMRR analyses to determine which alternative models among isolation-by-distance (IBD) and isolation-by-resistance (IBR) best fit the genetic data. We first ranked models according to their predictive power (higher  $R^2$ ) in univariate models. Then we included competitive variables (*i.e.*, IBD based on Geodesic distance or a Flat landscape *versus* IBR; see Methods) in the multivariate MMRR model and compared estimator values and their significance.

We observed a higher simple correlation (higher  $R^2$ ) for IBR in comparison to IBD univariate models (Table A3). When distance (IBD) and landscape-based resistance models (IBR) were included in multivariate MMRRs, we noticed a significant effect of landscape-based resistance distances on genetic differentiation (IBR), while IBD remained non-significant (Table A4). In conclusion, IBR systematically outperformed alternative IBD models.

**Table A3** Univariate results of MMRR analyses for distance (IBD) (estimated on the basis of geodesic geographic distances and flat landscape considering equal resistance values for all pixels) and landscape-based resistance models (seawater resistance = 32) in caribou and reindeer.

|            |                   |          | $R^2$ | p-value | <b>β</b> ±s.e            | t     | p-value |
|------------|-------------------|----------|-------|---------|--------------------------|-------|---------|
| IDD        | $F_{\rm ST} \sim$ | Geodesic | 0.06  | 0.001   | 0.25±0.025<br>0.42±0.034 | 10.32 | 0.001   |
| IBD        | $F_{ m ST} \sim$  | Flat     | 0.09  | 0.001   | $0.42\pm0.034$           | 12.43 | 0.001   |
|            |                   |          |       |         |                          |       |         |
| <b>IBR</b> | $F_{ m ST} \sim$  | Circuit  | 0.37  | 0.001   | $0.62\pm0.020$           | 30.57 | 0.001   |

**Table A4** Multivariate results of MMRR analyses for distance (IBD) (estimated on the basis of geodesic geographic distances and flat landscape considering equal resistance values for all pixels) and landscape-based resistance models (seawater resistance = 32) in caribou and reindeer. Corr.: *Pearson* correlation between independent variables.

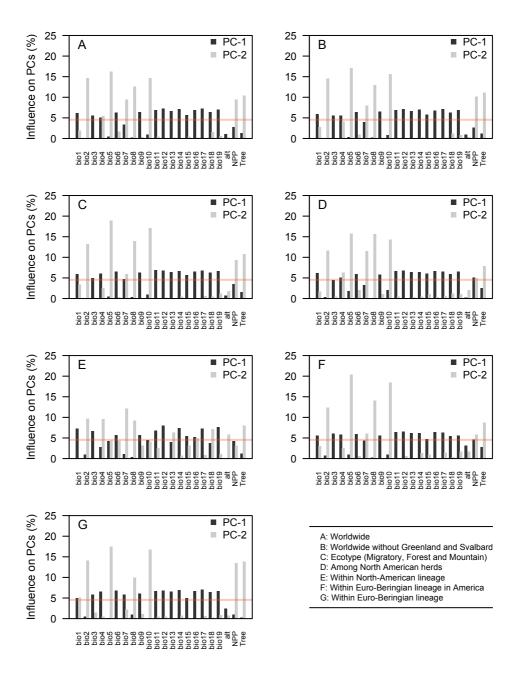
| IBR                             | IBD       | $R^2$ | p-value | $\beta_{IBR}$ $\pm$ s.e | t     | p-value | $\beta_{IBD}$ $\pm$ s.e | t     | p-value | corr. |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-------|---------|-------------------------|-------|---------|-------------------------|-------|---------|-------|
|                                 |           |       |         |                         |       |         |                         |       |         |       |
| $F_{\rm ST} \sim {\rm Circuit}$ | +Geodesic | 0.37  | 0.001   | $0.65\pm0.023$          | 28.14 | 0.001   | $-0.08\pm0.023$         | -3.27 | 0.87    | 0.50  |
| $F_{\rm ST} \sim {\rm Circuit}$ | +Flat     | 0.37  | 0.001   | $0.62\pm0.023$          | 26.66 | 0.001   | $0.00\pm0.032$          | 0.025 | 0.49    | 0.49  |

#### 9- Contribution of each environmental variable on PCA axes

**Table A5** Contribution of each environmental variable on the first two PC axes obtained for PCAs performed considering different subsets of caribou and reindeer (*Rangifer tarandus*) populations. For each data set, the percentage of inertia of the first two axes is also provided. If all variables contributed equally, they would have a contribution of 1/22 or 4.54% (See Figure A1). A: at worldwide scale; B: excluding herds from Greenland and Svalbard; C: considering only migratory tundra, mountain, and boreal forest ecotypes; D: considering all North American herds; E: within the North-American lineage; F: within the Euro-Beringian lineage in North America; and G: within the Euro-Beringian lineage.

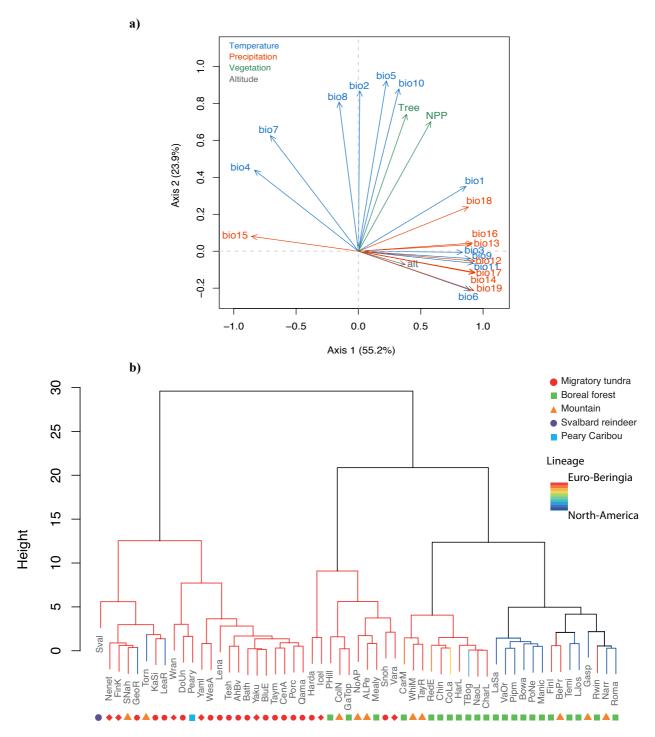
|         |            | A    |       | В    |       | С    |       | D    |       | E    |       | F    |       | G    |       |
|---------|------------|------|-------|------|-------|------|-------|------|-------|------|-------|------|-------|------|-------|
|         |            | PC-1 | PC-2  |
|         | % variance | 55.2 | 23.9  | 56.6 | 22.9  | 57.6 | 20.2  | 59.2 | 18.7  | 52.3 | 31.1  | 65.6 | 17.3  | 58.9 | 22.5  |
| Elev.   | alt        | 1.02 | 0.16  | 0.97 | 0.34  | 0.63 | 1.74  | 0.18 | 1.99  | 0.00 | 5.80  | 3.11 | 1.66  | 2.48 | 0.71  |
| Vog     | NPP        | 2.74 | 9.40  | 2.57 | 10.13 | 3.50 | 9.34  | 5.05 | 4.97  | 4.27 | 3.18  | 4.60 | 5.84  | 0.95 | 13.49 |
| Veg.    | TREE       | 1.25 | 10.43 | 1.11 | 11.16 | 1.56 | 10.72 | 2.47 | 7.78  | 1.20 | 8.03  | 2.73 | 8.69  | 0.25 | 13.81 |
|         | BIO1       | 6.08 | 1.93  | 5.87 | 2.68  | 5.84 | 3.35  | 6.18 | 1.61  | 7.31 | 0.02  | 5.59 | 2.97  | 5.01 | 5.08  |
|         | BIO2       | 0.01 | 14.58 | 0.00 | 14.56 | 0.00 | 13.14 | 0.35 | 11.65 | 0.95 | 9.64  | 0.66 | 12.32 | 0.43 | 14.05 |
|         | BIO3       | 5.58 | 0.00  | 5.50 | 0.01  | 4.89 | 0.06  | 4.49 | 0.41  | 6.63 | 0.01  | 6.01 | 0.00  | 5.82 | 1.41  |
| Т       | BIO4       | 5.06 | 5.37  | 5.52 | 4.05  | 6.03 | 2.50  | 5.06 | 6.29  | 2.76 | 9.60  | 5.77 | 2.47  | 6.57 | 0.49  |
|         | BIO5       | 0.45 | 16.19 | 0.36 | 17.09 | 0.46 | 18.85 | 1.71 | 15.67 | 4.24 | 4.29  | 0.95 | 20.35 | 0.06 | 17.51 |
| Temp.   | BIO6       | 6.21 | 1.65  | 6.42 | 0.89  | 6.45 | 0.35  | 5.90 | 1.97  | 5.70 | 4.31  | 5.96 | 0.58  | 6.75 | 0.03  |
|         | BIO7       | 3.39 | 9.40  | 3.97 | 7.92  | 4.65 | 5.93  | 3.24 | 11.49 | 1.08 | 12.07 | 4.40 | 6.05  | 5.87 | 2.17  |
|         | BIO8       | 0.14 | 12.56 | 0.21 | 12.96 | 0.37 | 13.96 | 0.03 | 15.57 | 0.30 | 9.19  | 0.20 | 14.10 | 1.02 | 10.01 |
|         | BIO9       | 6.38 | 0.31  | 6.45 | 0.05  | 6.23 | 0.05  | 5.72 | 1.02  | 5.67 | 3.12  | 5.55 | 0.16  | 6.06 | 1.13  |
|         | BIO10      | 0.90 | 14.57 | 0.78 | 15.60 | 0.92 | 17.02 | 2.00 | 14.31 | 4.48 | 4.09  | 0.99 | 18.44 | 0.02 | 16.70 |
|         | BIO11      | 6.80 | 0.39  | 6.86 | 0.08  | 6.84 | 0.00  | 6.61 | 0.47  | 6.74 | 2.48  | 6.38 | 0.00  | 6.65 | 0.49  |
|         | BIO12      | 7.18 | 0.00  | 7.04 | 0.03  | 6.78 | 0.23  | 6.74 | 0.00  | 8.02 | 0.20  | 6.53 | 0.59  | 6.79 | 0.45  |
|         | BIO13      | 6.67 | 0.18  | 6.64 | 0.03  | 6.35 | 0.05  | 6.37 | 0.37  | 3.95 | 6.28  | 6.16 | 0.00  | 6.60 | 0.04  |
|         | BIO14      | 7.11 | 0.11  | 6.96 | 0.20  | 6.67 | 0.41  | 6.36 | 0.41  | 7.33 | 0.66  | 6.11 | 1.33  | 6.93 | 0.71  |
| ъ .     | BIO15      | 5.66 | 0.37  | 5.82 | 0.07  | 5.67 | 0.06  | 6.00 | 1.02  | 5.47 | 3.10  | 4.70 | 0.95  | 4.99 | 0.00  |
| Precip. | BIO16      | 6.82 | 0.19  | 6.76 | 0.05  | 6.52 | 0.04  | 6.61 | 0.32  | 5.25 | 4.90  | 6.36 | 0.00  | 6.62 | 0.05  |
|         | BIO17      | 7.20 | 0.10  | 7.04 | 0.20  | 6.77 | 0.51  | 6.47 | 0.54  | 7.31 | 0.87  | 6.26 | 1.48  | 7.04 | 0.59  |
|         | BIO18      | 6.31 | 1.54  | 6.28 | 1.14  | 6.21 | 0.48  | 5.94 | 1.12  | 3.71 | 7.12  | 5.39 | 0.37  | 6.41 | 0.29  |
|         | BIO19      | 7.03 | 0.58  | 6.89 | 0.78  | 6.66 | 1.19  | 6.52 | 1.02  | 7.62 | 1.05  | 5.60 | 1.64  | 6.67 | 0.80  |

#### 10- Influence of environmental variables on PCA axes



**Figure A4** Influence of environmental variables on the first two PC axes obtained for the different subsets of caribou and reindeer (*Rangifer tarandus*) populations. Axis 1 explained between 52.3% and 65.6% of variance and Axis 2 between 17.3% and 31.1%. If all the 22 variables had contributed equally, they would have had a contribution of 1/22 or 4.54% (red line).

#### 11- Scatterplots of principal component analysis and environmental hierarchical clustering



**Figure A5 a)** Scatterplots of a principal component analysis representing coefficients for each indicator variables used to estimate the environmental dissimilarity latent variables and **b)** Environmental hierarchical clustering of populations of caribou and reindeer (*Rangifer tarandus*) herds and ecotypes across the species' Holarctic distribution. Clustering was based on the PCA scores performed with the 22 environmental variables listed in Table A2. Clustering was obtained with the *Ward's* minimum variance method ("ward.D2") as implemented in the *hclust* function in R. The colors of the branches correspond to the Bayesian membership of each population to the North American (blue) and Euro-Beringian (red) lineages, respectively, obtained with STRUCTURE for *K*=2. Red diamonds correspond to introduced or semi-domestic migratory caribou-reindeer.

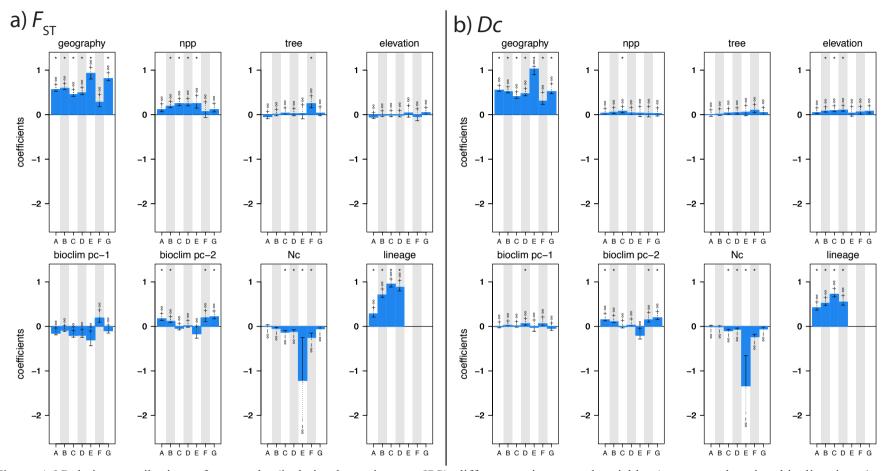
#### 12- Model-averaged parameter estimates

Table A6 Model-averaged parameter estimates (β) with their unconditional standard errors (se) and 95% confidence intervals (95% CI) quantifying the effects of geography (isolation-by-resistance, *IBR*), different environmental variables (npp, tree, elevation, bioclimatic pc1 and pc2), harmonic mean of population size (*Nc*), and lineage membership (lineage) on genetic differentiation of caribou and reindeer (*Rangifer tarandus*) herds and ecotypes across the species' Holarctic distribution. Analyses are presented for the complete dataset (Worldwide), excluding the isolated populations from Greenland and Svalbard and focusing on certain populations according to their membership to different geographic regions, main genetic lineages or ecotype designations. Continuous variables were standardized to a mean of zero and a standard deviation of one. The number of herds in each dataset is also indicated. Adjusted *R*-squared were obtained from multiple linear regression models including all predictive factors. Estimates were considered as significant (bold type) when the one-sided 95% CI did not overlap zero and by randomization tests performed with MMRR.

|     |    |       | IBR  |      |                     | прр           |      |                    | tree                    |      |                    | elev           |      |                        | pc1           |      |                    | pc2           |      |                      | Nc           |      |             | lineage           |      |                   |
|-----|----|-------|------|------|---------------------|---------------|------|--------------------|-------------------------|------|--------------------|----------------|------|------------------------|---------------|------|--------------------|---------------|------|----------------------|--------------|------|-------------|-------------------|------|-------------------|
|     | N  | $R^2$ | β    | se   | 95% CI              | $\beta_{npp}$ | se   | 95%CI              | $oldsymbol{eta}_{tree}$ | se   | 95% CI             | $\beta_{elev}$ | se   | 95%CI                  | $\beta_{pc1}$ | se   | 95% CI             | $\beta_{pc2}$ | se   | 95%CI                | $\beta_{Nc}$ | se   | 95% CI      | $\beta_{lineage}$ | se   | 95% CI            |
| FST |    |       |      |      |                     |               |      |                    |                         |      |                    |                |      |                        |               |      |                    |               |      |                      |              |      |             |                   |      |                   |
| A   | 53 | 0.46  | 0.56 | 0.02 | $[0.52; +\infty]$   | 0.12          | 0.03 | $[0.07; +\infty]$  | -0.04                   | 0.03 | $[-0.09; +\infty]$ | -0.05          | 0.02 | $[-0.09; +\infty]$     | -0.15         | 0.02 | $[-0.19; +\infty]$ | 0.17          | 0.02 | $[0.13; +\infty]$    | 0.00         | 0.02 | [-∞; 0.04]  | 0.28              | 0.04 | [0.21; +∞]        |
| В   | 51 | 0.70  | 0.59 | 0.02 | [0.57; + $\infty$ ] | 0.19          | 0.02 | $[0.16; +\infty]$  | 0.01                    | 0.02 | $[-0.02; +\infty]$ | -0.02          | 0.02 | $[-0.04; +\infty]$     | -0.08         | 0.02 | $[-0.11; +\infty]$ | 0.12          | 0.02 | $[0.09; +\infty]$    | -0.05        | 0.02 | [-∞; -0.02] | 0.71              | 0.03 | $[0.66; +\infty]$ |
| C   | 43 | 0.65  | 0.45 | 0.02 | [0.41; +∞]          | 0.25          | 0.03 | $[0.20; +\infty]$  | 0.04                    | 0.02 | $[-0.00; +\infty]$ | -0.01          | 0.02 | $[-0.05; +\infty]$     | -0.20         | 0.02 | $[-0.24; +\infty]$ | -0.04         | 0.02 | $[-0.08; +\infty]$   | -0.13        | 0.02 | [-∞; -0.09] | 0.95              | 0.04 | $[0.88; +\infty]$ |
| D   | 39 | 0.64  | 0.49 | 0.03 | [0.45; +∞]          | 0.25          | 0.03 | $[0.20; +\infty]$  | 0.02                    | 0.03 | $[-0.02; +\infty]$ | -0.01          | 0.02 | $[-0.05; +\infty]$     | -0.20         | 0.03 | $[-0.24; +\infty]$ | 0.02          | 0.02 | $[-0.02; +\infty]$   | -0.11        | 0.02 | [-∞; -0.07] | 0.88              | 0.05 | $[0.80; +\infty]$ |
| E   | 17 | 0.58  | 0.93 | 0.08 | [0.80; $+\infty$ ]  | 0.25          | 0.06 | $[0.15; +\infty]$  | 0.03                    | 0.07 | $[-0.09; +\infty]$ | 0.04           | 0.06 | $[-0.05; +\infty]$     | -0.30         | 0.08 | $[-0.43; +\infty]$ | -0.16         | 0.06 | $[-0.26;+\infty]$    | -1.21        | 0.59 | [-∞; -0.25] |                   |      |                   |
| F   | 22 | 0.45  | 0.28 | 0.06 | $[0.18; +\infty]$   | 0.07          | 0.08 | $[-0.06; +\infty]$ | 0.25                    | 0.06 | $[0.15; +\infty]$  | -0.04          | 0.06 | $[-0.13; +\infty]$     | 0.19          | 0.06 | $[0.09; +\infty]$  | 0.20          | 0.05 | $[0.11; +\infty]$    | -0.25        | 0.06 | [-∞; -0.15] |                   |      |                   |
| G   | 34 | 0.68  | 0.81 | 0.03 | [0.76; +∞]          | 0.12          | 0.03 | $[0.06; +\infty]$  | 0.04                    | 0.04 | $[-0.02; +\infty]$ | 0.04           | 0.03 | $[0.00; +\infty]$      | -0.10         | 0.03 | $[-0.15; +\infty]$ | 0.22          | 0.03 | $[0.17; +\infty]$    | -0.05        | 0.03 | [-∞; 0.00]  |                   |      |                   |
|     |    |       |      |      |                     |               |      |                    |                         |      |                    |                |      |                        |               |      |                    |               |      |                      |              |      |             |                   |      |                   |
| A   | 53 | 0.62  | 0.56 | 0.02 | $[0.53; +\infty]$   | 0.03          | 0.02 | $[0.01; +\infty]$  | 0.00                    | 0.02 | $[-0.04; +\infty]$ | 0.05           | 0.01 | $[0.03; +\infty]$      | 0.00          | 0.01 | $[-0.03; +\infty]$ | 0.15          | 0.02 | $[0.13; +\infty]$    | 0.00         | 0.02 | [-∞; 0.02]  | 0.42              | 0.03 | [0.37; + ∞]       |
| В   | 51 | 0.67  | 0.52 | 0.02 | <b>[0.49;</b> + ∞]  | 0.06          | 0.02 | $[0.03; +\infty]$  | 0.02                    | 0.02 | $[-0.02; +\infty]$ | 0.08           | 0.01 | $[0.06; +\infty]$      | 0.03          | 0.01 | $[0.00; +\infty]$  | 0.11          | 0.01 | $[0.09; +\infty]$    | -0.01        | 0.02 | [-∞; 0.01]  | 0.52              | 0.03 | [0.47; + ∞]       |
| C   | 43 | 0.71  | 0.40 | 0.02 | $[0.37; +\infty]$   | 0.08          | 0.02 | $[0.04; +\infty]$  | 0.04                    | 0.02 | $[0.01; +\infty]$  | 0.09           | 0.01 | $[0.07; +\infty]$      | 0.01          | 0.02 | $[-0.02; +\infty]$ | -0.01         | 0.02 | $[-0.03; +\infty]$   | -0.09        | 0.02 | [-∞; -0.07] | 0.72              | 0.03 | [0.67; +∞]        |
| D   | 39 | 0.72  | 0.47 | 0.03 | [0.42; +∞]          | 0.04          | 0.02 | $[0.00; +\infty]$  | 0.05                    | 0.02 | $[0.01; +\infty]$  | 0.11           | 0.02 | $\pmb{[0.08;+\infty]}$ | 0.07          | 0.02 | $[0.03; +\infty]$  | 0.03          | 0.02 | $[0.00; +\infty]$    | -0.07        | 0.02 | [-∞; -0.04] | 0.55              | 0.04 | [0.48; + ∞]       |
| E   | 17 | 0.62  | 1.03 | 0.08 | [0.90; +∞]          | 0.03          | 0.05 | $[-0.04; +\infty]$ | 0.06                    | 0.05 | $[-0.02; +\infty]$ | 0.04           | 0.04 | $[-0.03; +\infty]$     | -0.02         | 0.05 | $[-0.11; +\infty]$ | -0.20         | 0.05 | $[-0.28; +\infty]$   | -1.34        | 0.42 | [-∞; -0.66] |                   |      |                   |
| F   | 22 | 0.55  | 0.31 | 0.05 | $[0.23; +\infty]$   | 0.03          | 0.05 | $[-0.05; +\infty]$ | 0.10                    | 0.03 | $[0.05; +\infty]$  | 0.06           | 0.03 | $[0.01; +\infty]$      | 0.06          | 0.04 | $[0.00; +\infty]$  | 0.15          | 0.03 | $[0.10; +\infty]$    | -0.24        | 0.03 | [-∞; -0.18] |                   |      |                   |
| G   | 34 | 0.48  | 0.52 | 0.03 | $[0.47; +\infty]$   | 0.02          | 0.03 | $[-0.03; +\infty]$ | 0.05                    | 0.03 | $[0.00; +\infty]$  | 0.08           | 0.03 | $[0.04; +\infty]$      | -0.04         | 0.03 | $[-0.09; +\infty]$ | 0.20          | 0.03 | [ <b>0.16</b> ; + ∞] | -0.06        | 0.03 | [-∞; -0.01] |                   |      |                   |

A: at worldwide scale; B: excluding herds from Greenland and Svalbard; C: considering only migratory tundra, mountain and boreal forest ecotypes; D: considering all North American herds; E: within the North American lineage; F: within the Euro-Beringian lineage in North America; and G: within the Euro-Beringian lineage

## 13- Relative contributions of predictive factors on genetic differentiation



**Figure A6** Relative contributions of geography (isolation-by-resistance, IBR), different environmental variables (npp, tree, elevation, bioclimatic pc1 and pc2), harmonic mean of population size (Nc), and lineage membership (lineage) as explanatory variables to genetic differentiation of caribou and reindeer ( $Rangifer\ tarandus$ ) herds and ecotypes across the species' Holarctic distribution. The dependent variables are a)  $F_{ST}$  and b) Dc chord distance. A: at worldwide scale; B: excluding herds from Greenland and Svalbard; C: considering only migratory tundra, mountain and boreal forest ecotypes; D: considering all North American herds; E: within the North American lineage; F: within the Euro-Beringian lineage in North America; and G: within the Euro-Beringian lineage. Barplots depict effect sizes and 95% confidence intervals (95% CI) for each parameter. Estimates were considered as significant (asterisk) when the 95% CI did not overlap zero and by randomization tests performed with MMRR.

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