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Abstract

Antimicrobial resistance (AMR) poses a major global health threat, yet understanding of environmental reservoirs remains limited. This study analysed 1,758 metagenomes to assess microbial species and antimicrobial resistance gene (ARG) diversity across global soil and aquatic environments. Using Kraken2 for taxonomic classification and DeepARG for ARG identification, coupled with diversity analyses, this research revealed distinct patterns in microbial and antibiotic resistance gene profiles. Microbial communities showed similar overall diversity between soil and aquatic environments (Shannon indices: 5.409 and 5.410 respectively) but exhibited distinct structural patterns. Urban wastewater demonstrated the highest microbial diversity in aquatic settings (Shannon index: 5.43), while cold biomes showed highest diversity in soils (Shannon index: 5.63). ARG profiles revealed different patterns, with soil environments showing higher median diversity (4.68) compared to aquatic environments (4.52). Notably, anthropogenic soils exhibited the highest ARG diversity (Shannon index: 5.71) despite reduced microbial diversity, highlighting human activity's role in ARG proliferation. The soil core resistome was substantially larger than aquatic (179 vs 113 ARGs), with 101 shared ARGs between environments. ESKAPE pathogens were most prevalent in human-impacted environments, reaching 8.32% in groundwater and 8.23% in temperate soils. This comprehensive analysis reveals how environmental conditions and human activities distinctly shape microbial communities and their associated resistomes. These findings underscore the urgent need for integrated AMR surveillance beyond clinical settings and highlight critical intervention points for mitigating the spread of antibiotic resistance, particularly in agricultural and urban environments where human activities substantially influence resistance patterns.

Keywords: antimicrobial resistance; environmental resistome; ESKAPE pathogens; metagenomics; microbial diversity; core resistome; environmental reservoirs; anthropogenic impact; soil microbiome; aquatic microbiome

Preface

Antimicrobial resistance (AMR) is a rapidly escalating global health threat, fuelled by the dissemination of antibiotic resistance genes (ARGs) across diverse environments. While clinical settings are often at the centre of AMR discussions, an equally critical challenge exists in environmental reservoirs—soil and water—that act as critical reservoirs of resistance. These environments facilitate complex microbial interactions, providing opportunities for ARGs to emerge, persist and spread. This study harnesses metagenomic analyses to explore ARG prevalence and diversity in soil and aquatic ecosystems worldwide, aiming to understand how these natural reservoirs contribute to AMR on a global scale.

Chapter 1 provides a brief introduction to the topic, a problem statement and the aims and objectives of this research. Chapter 2 demonstrates a comprehensive review of the current literature on AMR, emphasising the importance of environmental ARG reservoirs. This chapter covers the fundamental mechanisms of antimicrobial resistance, the impact of anthropogenic activities on resistance gene distribution and the role of soil and water environments in sustaining and amplifying antimicrobial resistance. It also highlights the limitations of traditional culture-based AMR studies and the transformative potential of metagenomics in providing a broader, more accurate perspective of global AMR patterns.

Chapter 3 describes the methodology that combines taxonomic profiling through Kraken2 and resistance gene profiling using DeepARG with statistical analyses across diverse soil and aquatic biomes. Chapter 4 presents the findings from 1,758 metagenomes and compares ARG diversity, ESKAPE pathogen presence and core resistome structures across soil and aquatic samples worldwide. The findings reveal important ARG diversity patterns influenced by anthropogenic and environmental factors, with human-impacted regions, such as urban wastewater and agricultural soils, showing elevated ARG diversity and ESKAPE pathogen presence.

Finally, chapter 5 concludes by addressing the limitations and implications of these findings for AMR management, stressing the need for a global, integrative approach to monitoring environmental resistomes – one that broadens the scope of AMR research beyond clinical confines. This work aims to provide essential insights and benchmarks that can guide future research and policies, enabling a more comprehensive strategy in the ongoing fight against AMR.

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List of abbreviations

AMR - Antimicrobial resistance

ARDB - Antibiotic Resistance Genes Database

ARG - Antibiotic resistance gene

AST - Antimicrobial susceptibility testing

CARD - Comprehensive Antibiotic Resistance Database

CRKP - Carbapenem-resistant *Klebsiella pneumoniae*

ECDC - European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control

EFSA - The European Food Safety Authority

ESBL – Extended-spectrum-beta-lactamase

ESKAPE - *Enterococcus faecium*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, *Acinetobacter baumannii*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* and *Enterobacter* species

GLASS - Global Antimicrobial Surveillance System

GRCh38 - Genome Reference Consortium Human Build 38

HGT - Horizontal gene transfer

ICU - Intensive care unit

IQR - Interquartile range

LCA - Lowest common ancestor (in taxonomic classification)

MBC - Minimum bactericidal concentration

MDR - Multi-drug resistant

MG-RAST - Metagenomics Rapid Annotation using Subsystems Technology

MIC - Minimum inhibitory concentration

MLS - Macrolide-lincosamide-streptogramin

MRSA - Methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*

NCBI - National Center for Biotechnology Information

PCR – Polymerase chain reaction

PCoA - Principal coordinate analysis

PDR - Pan drug-resistant

PLSC - Partial least squares correlation

qPCR - Quantitative polymerase chain reaction

RefSeq - Reference Sequence Database

Spp. - Species

WHO – World Health Organization

WGS – Whole genome sequencing

WMS - Whole metagenome sequencing

WWTP - Wastewater treatment plant

XDR - Extensively drug-resistant

Chapter 1: Introduction

Infectious diseases remain one of the leading causes of mortality worldwide, with bacterial infections posing a major threat to global health (Murray *et al.*, 2022). While antibiotics have revolutionised the treatment of bacterial infections since their introduction in the early 20th century, their effectiveness is increasingly compromised by the emergence and spread of antimicrobial resistance (AMR) (Uddin *et al.*, 2021). This growing crisis continues to undermine many advances in modern medicine, all of which rely on effective antibiotics to prevent and treat infections (Marshall & Levy, 2011; Murray *et al.*, 2022).

While the clinical impact of AMR is well documented, there is growing recognition that the crisis extends far beyond hospital walls (Barathe *et al.*, 2024). Environmental reservoirs - particularly soil and water systems - play crucial roles in the emergence, persistence, and spread of antimicrobial resistance (Cycoń *et al.*, 2019; Aguilar-Salazar *et al.*, 2023; Barathe *et al.*, 2024). These environments serve as conduits where resistance genes can be exchanged between diverse bacterial populations through horizontal gene transfer (Hutinel *et al.*, 2021). Agricultural practices, wastewater discharge, and other human activities introduce antibiotics and resistant bacteria into these environments, creating selective pressures that promote the maintenance and dissemination of resistance (Manyi-Loh *et al.*, 2018; Häder *et al.*, 2020; Barathe *et al.*, 2024).

Traditional approaches to AMR surveillance have focused primarily on clinical isolates, providing an important but incomplete picture of resistance patterns (Pillay *et al.*, 2022). The advent of high-throughput sequencing technologies, particularly metagenomics, has created unprecedented opportunities to study AMR in complex environmental communities. By analysing all genetic material present in environmental samples, metagenomic approaches can reveal the full spectrum of resistance genes present in these reservoirs, including those carried by unculturable organisms that constitute the majority of environmental bacteria (Bengtsson-Palme *et al.*, 2017; Pillay *et al.*, 2022).

1.1 Problem statement

Despite the transformative potential of metagenomic approaches, current AMR surveillance strategies remain heavily focused on traditional culture-based techniques and clinical settings (Sirijatuphat *et al.*, 2018). This limited scope reflects a broader pattern of inadequate stewardship that emerged following the antibiotic golden era of the 1970s, when complacency led to widespread antibiotic misuse (Uddin *et al.*, 2021). The resulting rise of multidrug-resistant (MDR),

extensively drug-resistant (XDR), and pandrug-resistant (PDR) pathogens now poses an urgent global health challenge (Magiorakos *et al.*, 2012). Even the WHO's Global Antimicrobial Surveillance System (GLASS) continues to rely primarily on culture-based analyses of clinical isolates, neglecting the complex environmental reservoirs where resistance emerges and spreads (Sirijatuphat *et al.*, 2018; Pillay *et al.*, 2022).

This study directly addresses these surveillance limitations by demonstrating the power of metagenomics for comprehensive AMR monitoring. Through analysis of publicly available metagenomes from diverse soil and aquatic environments globally, this research surveys and compares resistomes to reveal the full extent of the AMR threat across different settings. By moving beyond traditional single-organism approaches, this study uncovers the intricate networks driving AMR dissemination and provides crucial insights to inform more effective surveillance and control strategies.

1.2 Aims and Objectives

1.2.1 Aim

The aim of this research was to determine the influence of environmental, geographical, and human factors on the prevalence and distribution of ARGs in various non-clinical environments. This investigation intended to reveal how different conditions and environments affect the spread of ARGs and the extent of human impact on these processes.

1.2.2 Objectives

1. Data acquisition: Obtain metagenomes from the MG-RAST database, focusing on metagenomes from a diverse set of environments.
2. Quality control: Conduct thorough quality control on the metagenomic data to ensure a high-quality and valid analysis.
3. Taxonomic analysis: Determine the taxonomic composition of each metagenome.
4. Resistome analysis: Identify and analyse the ARGs present in each metagenome, exploring the diversity and structure of the resistomes.
5. Comparative analysis: Compare the resistomes across different environmental samples, linking differences to taxonomic distributions, environmental conditions, and assessing human influence.

Chapter 2: Antimicrobial resistance in the age of metagenomics

2.1 A revolution in healthcare: The introduction of antibiotics and antimicrobials

The discovery of antimicrobials represented a substantial advancement in therapeutic strategies for the treatment of infections, shifting medicinal approaches from supportive care to targeted healthcare (Aminov, 2010). Antimicrobials boast a rich history, with many origins in traditional medicines before the first man-made drugs (Aminov, 2010). For instance, artemisinin, an effective antimicrobial and antimalarial drug was used for millennia by practitioners of traditional Chinese medicine, before it was integrated into mainstream medicine in the twentieth century (Cui & Su, 2009). It was only in 1910, under the supervision of Paul Ehrlich, that arsphenamine, the first laboratory-created antimicrobial was synthesised (Nicolaou & Rigol, 2018). In addition to arsphenamine, subsequent man-made drugs such as sulphonamides were routinely used to treat bacterial infections (Landecker, 2019). These developments inspired Ehrlich to envision a “magic bullet” – a selective drug that would target specific pathogenic microorganisms. (Nicolaou & Rigol, 2018; Landecker, 2019).

While the earlier work with antimicrobials laid the foundations, the discovery of naturally-derived antibiotics revolutionised healthcare (Aminov, 2010). Penicillin was discovered in 1928 by Alexander Fleming (Gaynes, 2017). However, it was not until 1943 that penicillin was successfully produced and distributed (Gaynes, 2017). The following years saw the synthesis of an array of novel antibiotic classes (Table 1) in the “golden age” of antibiotic development (Chopra *et al.*, 2002). With antibiotics becoming widespread, common drivers of mortality, such as bacteria that cause pneumonia and tuberculosis, became treatable (Iseman, 2002). This saw the mortality rate due to infectious diseases reach an all-time low in the 1980s (Armstrong *et al.*, 1999).

Table 1. Overview of Antibiotic Classes Discovered from the 1910s to 2020s. A timeline of the discovery of novel antibiotic classes from the 1910s to the 2020s.

Decade	Antibiotic Class	Example	Target in Bacterial Cell	Reference
1910s	Arsphenamine	Salvarsan, Compound 606	Bacterial enzymes in <i>Treponema pallidum</i>	(Abraham, 1948; Landecker, 2019)
1930s	Sulphonamides	Sulfanilamide	Inhibits folic acid synthesis	(Ovung & Bhattacharyya, 2021)
1920s-1940s	Penicillins	Penicillin G	Inhibits cell wall synthesis	(Gaynes, 2017)
1940s	Aminoglycosides	Streptomycin	Inhibits protein synthesis by binding to ribosomal RNA	(Doi <i>et al.</i> , 2016)
1940s	Tetracyclines	Chlortetracycline	Inhibits protein synthesis by preventing tRNA attachment to the ribosome	(Nelson & Levy, 2011)
1950s	Macrolides	Erythromycin	Inhibits protein synthesis by binding to the ribosome	(Dinos, 2017)
1950s	Glycopeptides	Vancomycin	Inhibits cell wall synthesis by binding to peptidoglycan precursors	(Blaskovich <i>et al.</i> , 2018)
1960s	Quinolones	Nalidixic acid	Inhibits DNA gyrase, preventing DNA replication	(Pham <i>et al.</i> , 2019)
1970s	Cephalosporins	(Multiple Generations)	Inhibits cell wall synthesis by binding to penicillin-binding proteins	(Hewitt, 1973)
2010s	Malacidins	Malacidin A	Binds to lipid II, disrupting cell wall synthesis	(Hover <i>et al.</i> , 2018)
2020s	Thiadiazol	Halicin	Disrupts bacterial membrane potential	(Stokes <i>et al.</i> , 2020)

Although antibiotic discovery continues, concerns have grown about the long-term success of these drugs (Chopra *et al.*, 2002). Indeed, from the 1950s the success rates of many antibiotics saw a concerning decline (Levy & Marshall, 2004). In response, treatment strategies shifted to using multiple antibiotics and combination therapies (Kerantzas & Jacobs, 2017). Still, the long-term effectiveness of antibiotics remained a concern as the microbial pathogens began to become less susceptible towards antimicrobial treatments - a phenomenon known as antimicrobial resistance (AMR) (Levy & Marshall, 2004; Aminov, 2010).

Alarmingly, after the golden era of antibiotic discovery in the mid-20th century, no novel antibiotic classes were identified for several decades (Uddin *et al.*, 2021). The lack of new antibiotic development has worsened the AMR crisis. (Uddin *et al.*, 2021). Recent advancements in artificial intelligence and machine learning have bolstered the search for new antibiotics (Stokes *et al.*, 2020). For instance, the discovery of Halicin, an antibiotic effective against several drug-resistant bacteria, was facilitated by AI-driven models that screened millions of compounds in silico (Stokes *et al.*, 2020). Another recent discovery is Malacidin, a calcium-dependent antibiotic identified from soil metagenomes, which has shown effectiveness against multidrug-resistant pathogens (Hover *et al.*, 2018). However, it is important to note that neither Halicin nor Malacidin has yet been approved for human use (Hover *et al.*, 2018; Stokes *et al.*, 2020). Despite these promising discoveries, the pace of antibiotic development remains slow, and the threat of AMR continues to escalate (Skender, 2024). Left unchecked, it is estimated that by 2050, AMR will cost the global economy \$1 trillion annually, driving millions into extreme poverty and increasing mortality rates (Dadgostar, 2019; Wang *et al.*, 2019). The World Health Organization (WHO) projects that by 2050, infectious disease outbreaks, particularly those due to hard-to-treat bacterial infections, will continue to overwhelm communities and global economies, affecting over four hundred million people and driving the most vulnerable populations into severe poverty (Kotwani *et al.*, 2021; Murray *et al.*, 2022). The threat of infectious disease, both emerging and persistent, underscores the urgent need for effective antimicrobial treatments. As the crisis deepens, it is essential to revisit the early warnings and initial observations of antimicrobial resistance, which continue to inform our approach.

2.2 Early insights into antimicrobial resistance

AMR was not a sudden phenomenon. Evidence of antibiotic resistance emerged early, with laboratory observations of penicillin-resistant bacteria before the widespread distribution of the drug (Lobanovska & Pilla, 2017). These concerns were expressed by Alexander Fleming during his 1945 Nobel lecture – warning of the dangers of antibiotic overuse, which could accelerate the development of resistance, particularly in the human body (Magalhães *et al.*, 2021). In support, Barber and Rozwadowska-Dowzenko (1948) noted that prior to 1944 very few penicillin-resistant bacterial strains had been encountered. In the following years, leading to 1948, the rate of penicillin-resistant bacteria, particularly those isolated from the clinical setting, drastically increased (Barber & Rozwadowska-Dowzenko, 1948). While penicillin-resistant bacterial infections continued to rise, many medical practitioners were not sufficiently alarmed and believed that while this had complicated treatment strategies in certain hospitals, it was likely not the case for the global community (Forbes, 1949).

While the discovery of novel antibiotic classes promised medical breakthroughs – their overuse fuelled the alarming emergence of antibiotic-resistant bacterial strains (Uddin *et al.*, 2021). The rapid development of these drugs in a short timeframe led to the dramatic expansion of antibiotic distribution. The consequences were two-fold. On the one hand, this resulted in unnecessary, broad-spectrum and excessive antibiotic prescriptions – a practice that has been maintained to date (Ventola, 2015). On the other hand, it led to the expansion of antibiotics into the agricultural setting (Manyi-Loh *et al.*, 2018). Today, antibiotic use in agricultural sectors is at an all-time high and is projected to increase in line with growing demands for food (Reardon, 2023). The excessive use of antibiotics in both clinical and agricultural settings has driven a marked increase in antibiotic-resistant bacteria (Murray *et al.*, 2022). The widespread and continued contamination of various environments with antibiotics and antibiotic-resistant bacteria further elevates the risk of human, animal and plant exposure to antibiotic-resistant bacteria (Ventola, 2015; Manyi-Loh *et al.*, 2018), presenting a major threat to both human health and food security (Mulchandani *et al.*, 2023).

2.3 The emergence of multidrug-resistant pathogens

Today, the AMR crisis is worse than ever due to the emergence of multidrug-resistant (MDR), extensively drug-resistant (XDR), and pandrug-resistant (PDR) bacterial strains (Falagas & Karageorgopoulos, 2008). The most adopted definitions describe MDR bacteria as those

displaying non-susceptibility to at least three antibiotic classes (Magiorakos *et al.*, 2012). For example, methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA) and multidrug-resistant *Enterobacteriaceae* that pose serious treatment challenges (Tiwari *et al.*, 2008; Bassetti *et al.*, 2015). XDR strains demonstrate stronger resistance, remaining susceptible to antibiotics from only one or two classes (Magiorakos *et al.*, 2012). Examples include extensively drug-resistant strains of *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* and *Acinetobacter baumannii*, both often found in hospital settings (Willmann *et al.*, 2015; Mirzaei *et al.*, 2020). Finally, PDR strains are resistant to all treatments. Oxacillinase (OXA)-48-positive carbapenem-resistant *Klebsiella pneumoniae* (CRKP) fall into this category, rendering many last-resort antibiotics ineffective (Magiorakos *et al.*, 2012; Havan *et al.*, 2023). There has been a general increase in the number of these MDR, XDR and PDR taxa on a global level, posing a considerable threat to patient care (Karam *et al.*, 2016). While many factors have contributed to this crisis, the fundamental issue is clear – the overuse of antibiotics provides a selective pressure that favours resistant phenotypes (Levy & Marshall, 2004).

Hospitals, especially high-care units such as ICUs, are hotspots for the spread of antibiotic resistance genes (ARGs). With high infection rates and antibiotic use, they have become reservoirs of MDR, XDR, and PDR microorganisms, hindering effective treatment (Karam *et al.*, 2016). Moreover, the threat of these hospital-derived pathogens extends beyond hospital doors. Antibiotics and MDR microorganisms in hospital wastewater contaminate surrounding communities, exposing them to harmful pathogens (Talat *et al.*, 2023).

The continued emergence of MDR, XDR and PDR strains presents a major global health burden. In 2019 it is estimated that 4.95 million deaths were linked to AMR (Murray *et al.*, 2022). Furthermore, AMR disproportionately impacts low-income countries, harming the most vulnerable populations, with the highest AMR-related mortality rate in Sub-Saharan Africa (Murray *et al.*, 2022). Allowed to continue unchecked the AMR crisis will undoubtedly worsen. Continued surveillance of AMR and the ARGs driving resistance is required to further understand this crisis (Sirijatuphat *et al.*, 2018). Targeted clinical surveillance remains vital; however, the global scope of the AMR crisis shows limitations in this approach. To grasp the interplay between human, animal, and environmental health, broader surveillance strategies are required (Pillay *et al.*, 2022).

2.4 The environmental spread of antimicrobial resistance

Beyond the clinical setting, the excessive use of antibiotics in agriculture presents an often-overlooked reservoir of antimicrobial-resistant microorganisms (Marshall & Levy, 2011). Antibiotics are routinely used in livestock not only to treat infections but also as a prophylactic measure to prevent disease and as growth promoters to enhance production efficiency (Low *et al.*, 2021). This widespread use exerts selective pressure on bacterial populations in animals, leading to the emergence and proliferation of resistant strains (Manyi-Loh *et al.*, 2018). Humans may acquire these resistant bacteria through direct interaction with animals, ingestion of meat that has been contaminated or even by handling animal waste (Van Boeckel *et al.*, 2015; Jin *et al.*, 2023). Well-documented examples of this include the spread of *Escherichia coli* and *Salmonella* spp., both of which are common in livestock and can be resistant to multiple antibiotics used in animal husbandry (Hunduma *et al.*, 2023). These bacteria can enter the human food chain through improperly cooked meat or cross-contamination during food preparation (Manyi-Loh *et al.*, 2018; Jin *et al.*, 2023). The implications of this are concerning, as infections caused by these resistant strains are difficult to treat leading to prolonged illness and increased mortality (Murray *et al.*, 2022).

The environmental impact of agricultural practices extends beyond the direct transmission of resistant bacteria to humans (Manyi-Loh *et al.*, 2018). The use of antibiotics in agriculture also results in the contamination of soil and water sources (Kumar *et al.*, 2005). Manure and sludge, rich with antibiotics and antibiotic-resistant bacteria, are frequently used as fertilisers, introducing these contaminants into the environment (Kumar *et al.*, 2005). This practice promotes the spread of antimicrobial resistance genes among soil bacteria, which can then be transferred to human pathogens through horizontal gene transfer (HGT) (Hutinel *et al.*, 2021). Water sources, including rivers, lakes, and groundwater, can also become contaminated through runoff from agricultural lands and leaching from animal waste storage facilities (Manyi-Loh *et al.*, 2018). This contamination is not confined to rural areas; urban water systems are also affected, particularly where wastewater treatment processes are inadequate (Pazda *et al.*, 2019).

Urban environments contribute to the environmental spread of AMR in several ways (Hendriksen *et al.*, 2019). Wastewater from hospitals, households, and industrial sources often contains antibiotics and resistant bacteria, which can persist even after conventional wastewater treatment

(Raza *et al.*, 2021). These resistant bacteria and ARGs can then be released into natural water bodies, where they mix with other environmental bacteria, facilitating the spread of resistance (Hutinel *et al.*, 2021).

The spread of AMR in aquatic environments is particularly concerning due to the interconnectedness of water systems (Reddy *et al.*, 2022). Rivers and streams can carry resistant bacteria and ARGs over long distances, potentially affecting diverse and large populations (Reddy *et al.*, 2022; Aguilar-Salazar *et al.*, 2023). The spread of resistance through aquatic environments is further exacerbated by global trade and travel, which can introduce resistant strains to new regions and contribute to the global dissemination of AMR (Mason *et al.*, 2016; Hendriksen *et al.*, 2019). The presence of ARGs in marine environments has also been documented, particularly in areas near wastewater discharge, highlighting the role of human activity in spreading resistance - even in remote locations (Cuadrat *et al.*, 2020).

The implications of environmental AMR spread are far-reaching (Murray *et al.*, 2022). The contamination of food, water, and the broader environment with resistant bacteria poses a direct threat to human health, particularly in regions with limited access to healthcare and effective antibiotics (Murray *et al.*, 2022). Given the complexity of AMR spread in the environment, there is an imperative need for surveillance of AMR (Pillay *et al.*, 2022). The evolution of AMR research and surveillance has adapted to these challenges, with traditional laboratory techniques evolving alongside modern molecular methods to track and understand the spread of resistance in both clinical and environmental contexts.

2.5 The evolution of AMR research and surveillance: Traditional laboratory techniques in AMR research

Traditionally, AMR surveillance was implemented using the paper disk method (Vincent *et al.*, 1944). A paper disk was immersed in an antimicrobial agent at a single concentration. The disk was placed onto an agar plate containing the target bacterium and the growth of bacterial colonies around the disk was used to judge the resistance to the selected antimicrobial agent (Vincent *et al.*, 1944). Bauer *et al.* (1966) introduced an improved, highly reproducible and standardised paper disk method used in most clinical laboratories. The Kirby-Bauer assay tests multiple concentrations of the antimicrobial against a standardised concentration of the bacterial pathogen (0.5 McFarland standard), with standardised incubation periods and growth media (Mueller-

Hinton) (Bauer *et al.*, 1966). Along with these technical standardisations, a table measuring inhibition zones to the nearest millimetre was introduced. This allowed microbiologists to accurately classify bacteria as resistant, intermediately resistant or susceptible to a particular antimicrobial agent (Bauer *et al.*, 1966). This table is frequently updated according to the bacterial taxonomy and antimicrobial compound allowing for the accurate and reproducible surveillance of AMR on the global level (Matuschek *et al.*, 2014). The principles of standardisation established by the Kirby-Bauer assay laid the groundwork for other antimicrobial susceptibility testing (AST) techniques. Researchers such as Gavan and Town (1970) further refined these methods by developing the broth microdilution assay, which measures the minimum inhibitory concentration (MIC) and minimum bactericidal concentration (MBC) of an antimicrobial compound in liquid culture. Today, this approach is widely used in laboratories for AMR surveillance (Rodríguez-Melcón *et al.*, 2021).

While essential for reproducibility in AMR research, traditional culture-based techniques have notable limitations (Su *et al.*, 2019). For instance, Kirby-Bauer assays and similar AST methods are both time-consuming and inherently isolate-focused. While classifying the AMR status of isolated microorganisms is critical, these methods fail to elucidate the underlying mechanism of resistance, necessitating the use of more modern molecular techniques (Su *et al.*, 2019).

2.6 Molecular techniques in AMR research

The polymerase chain reaction (PCR) revolutionised AMR research, enabling the rapid (within hours) and sensitive detection of antibiotic resistance genes (ARGs) (Anjum *et al.*, 2017). This has considerably advanced the molecular characterisation of ARGs and AMR networks - the complex ways in which ARGs spread and evolve within and between bacterial populations (Galhano *et al.*, 2021). Today, PCR-based approaches are standard for AMR surveillance. They are in active use by the European Center for Disease Control (ECDC) as well as the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) (Anjum *et al.*, 2017). However, PCR approaches are limited by our dependence on existing knowledge – screening cannot be carried out for unknown resistance mechanisms. For example, an assay designed solely for penicillinases would fail to detect a strain harbouring an extended-spectrum beta-lactamase (ESBL) gene (Cason *et al.*, 2022). Although advancements such as multiplex PCR, quantitative PCR (qPCR), and real-time RT-PCR have provided increased

sensitivity, precision and speed, they do not overcome this inherent limitation of PCR-based surveillance (Anjum *et al.*, 2017).

Beyond PCR, other molecular techniques have been implemented for the detection of AMR. DNA microarrays are routinely used to detect ARGs with the same level of accuracy as PCR (Frye *et al.*, 2010). This approach uses complementary DNA probes designed to hybridise with known resistance genes (Frye *et al.*, 2010). Microarrays offer an advantage over standard PCR by allowing simultaneous screening for multiple resistance genes, producing a large volume of results (Frye *et al.*, 2010). Despite this advantage, this technique ultimately suffers from the same constraints as PCR – a reliance on known resistance genes (Batchelor *et al.*, 2008; Frye *et al.*, 2010). This inherent constraint in both approaches underscores the need for novel AMR surveillance methods capable of detecting both known and unknown AMR mechanisms.

2.7 The power of genomics in understanding AMR diversity

While traditional molecular techniques remain essential tools for AMR research, the advent of Whole Genome Sequencing (WGS) has allowed for the comprehensive characterisation of AMR mechanisms in microorganisms (Waddington *et al.*, 2022). That is, beyond the simple detection of ARGs in a PCR or microarray approach, WGS provides insight into the genomic context of the ARGs, their potential to spread via mobile genetic elements such as plasmids, and the evolutionary relationships between antibiotic-resistant strains (Khezri *et al.*, 2020). Paired with the development of more affordable and effective sequencing technologies and a growing arsenal of bioinformatic tools, the scope of these analyses continues to expand (Waddington *et al.*, 2022). The ability to sequence entire genomes has led to the discovery of novel, uncharacterised ARGs – even in previously well-studied microorganisms (Deekshit & Srikumar, 2022). For instance, Kim and co-workers used WGS to identify novel gentamicin resistance mechanisms in *Salmonella* species (Kim *et al.*, 2020).

The availability of high-resolution genomic data and the ability to identify novel ARGs has revolutionised outbreak investigations, allowing researchers to survey and source the transmission of MDR strains (Roberts *et al.*, 2021). Growing databases of genomic information have further given rise to novel drug targets (Köser *et al.*, 2014; Roberts *et al.*, 2021). Comparing the genomes of resistant and non-resistant strains enables the detection of specific mutations or gene acquisitions that confer resistance (Roberts *et al.*, 2021). For instance, comparative genomic

analyses have revealed that resistance to fluoroquinolones in *Escherichia coli* is linked to mutations in the *gyrA* and *parC* genes, which alter the target site of the antibiotic, reducing its efficacy (Gruger *et al.*, 2004). Moreover, WGS has been used to identify the *vanA* and *vanB* gene clusters responsible for vancomycin resistance in *Enterococcus faecium* and *Enterococcus faecalis*. These genes, often carried on plasmids, allow the bacteria to alter their peptidoglycan precursors, reducing vancomycin binding affinity (Arias & Murray, 2012). Comparative genomics has revealed that methicillin resistance in *Staphylococcus aureus* is enabled by the *mecA* gene, which encodes an altered penicillin-binding protein (PBP2a) with reduced affinity for beta-lactam antibiotics (Ballhausen *et al.*, 2014). These insights not only improve our understanding of resistance mechanisms but also inform the development of novel antimicrobial agents by targeting these specific genetic changes (Roberts *et al.*, 2021).

Initially, sequencing technologies were prohibitively expensive, limiting their application to specialised research settings (Mardis, 2008). However, advancements in next-generation sequencing (NGS) and high-throughput methodologies have substantially reduced costs, making sequencing more accessible (Xiao & Zhou, 2020). Since its introduction, WGS has become more affordable - broadening the scope of WGS studies beyond clinical settings (Oniciuc *et al.*, 2018). This affordability has enabled studies that explore the transmission and persistence of AMR across various environments, illustrating how clinical, agricultural, and environmental reservoirs contribute to the AMR crisis (Pillay *et al.*, 2022). For instance, recent studies have used WGS to track the spread of antibiotic-resistant bacteria from livestock to humans through food products and the environment (Lu *et al.*, 2022; Pillay *et al.*, 2022). These studies highlight the interconnectedness of different reservoirs in the spread of AMR and underscore the importance of a holistic approach to surveillance.

While a powerful tool for AMR surveillance, microorganism-by-microorganism WGS approaches have limitations when it comes to fully understanding the complexity of microbial communities. Focusing solely on individual microorganisms may miss the broader context of how resistance genes are expressed and interact within entire microbial communities (Oniciuc *et al.*, 2018; Pillay *et al.*, 2022). Therefore, a comprehensive understanding of AMR requires a move beyond individual microorganisms to consider the entire resistome within complex microbial ecosystems.

2.8 Metagenomics: A paradigm shift in understanding AMR ecology

Traditional culture-based techniques in AMR research have notable limitations. Primarily, their reliance on culturing restricts insights to a small fraction of culturable microorganisms, excluding the vast majority of “microbial dark matter”—those microorganisms that cannot be cultured and yet dominate many environments (Solden *et al.*, 2016). These unculturable microorganisms are now recognised as potential AMR reservoirs, as they may harbour antimicrobial resistance genes that can be transferred to pathogenic bacteria (Solden *et al.*, 2016; Pillay *et al.*, 2022). The networks of uncultivable bacteria can drive the AMR crisis through HGT or other uncharacterised ecological interactions (Solden *et al.*, 2016; Ku *et al.*, 2021; Pillay *et al.*, 2022).

Whole metagenome sequencing (WMS) is a powerful tool in genomics and microbial ecology that allows for the analysis of entire microbial communities without the need to culture bacteria—thereby addressing these limitations and providing insights into both culturable and non-culturable microorganisms (Oniciuc *et al.*, 2018; Pillay *et al.*, 2022). By directly sampling environmental DNA, WMS enables the analysis of the taxonomic composition and functional potential of entire microbial communities and the identification of all ARGs (the resistome) within any community (Ko *et al.*, 2022).

Applied to the AMR crisis – metagenomics offers a promising tool for a comprehensive analysis and surveillance of AMR that considers how complex microbial communities collectively influence global AMR trends. By expanding surveillance from the individual microorganism to the community level, the flow of ARGs can be traced through diverse environments such as hospitals, agricultural soils, water sources, and oceans (Bueno *et al.*, 2021; Pillay *et al.*, 2022). This knowledge is crucial for identifying not only established ARGs and AMR hotspots but also the uncharacterised reservoirs where unexpected resistance threats may emerge (Djordjevic *et al.*, 2024).

While metagenomic-based approaches are to date the most promising tools for thorough AMR surveillance, fully realising their potential presents many challenges. For instance, sequencing platforms are required to be sufficiently robust to capture all the microorganisms in a sample (Bengtsson-Palme *et al.*, 2017). Furthermore, downstream approaches including genome assembly, taxonomic classification, and functional annotation are not standardised and tend to produce highly variable results depending on the bioinformatics tool used to achieve each outcome

(Quince *et al.*, 2017). The absence of a standardised bioinformatic pipeline for AMR-focused metagenomics presents a major hurdle for in-depth and precise AMR surveillance (Bengtsson-Palme *et al.*, 2017).

Despite these challenges, metagenomics represents a transformative shift in AMR surveillance. Its ability to uncover historically overlooked reservoirs of AMR and trace the global flow of ARGs provides an unparalleled tool for comprehensive AMR surveillance (Bengtsson-Palme *et al.*, 2017; Pillay *et al.*, 2022).

2.8.1 Applications of metagenomics beyond AMR research

While metagenomics has proven invaluable in AMR research, its applications extend across numerous fields. In environmental science, metagenomic approaches have transformed our understanding of ecosystem function and biodiversity. The Global Ocean Sampling Expedition represents a landmark example of metagenomic application in marine research, revealing unprecedented microbial diversity in ocean environments and discovering many previously unknown genes that have enhanced our understanding of marine ecosystem functioning (Yooseph *et al.*, 2007). Similarly, in terrestrial environments, metagenomic studies have illuminated the complex relationships between soil microbial communities and critical ecosystem processes such as carbon cycling and agricultural productivity (Delgado-Baquerizo *et al.*, 2022).

The field of human microbiome research has particularly benefited from metagenomic approaches. The Human Microbiome Project utilised metagenomics to characterise microbial communities across different body sites, fundamentally changing our understanding of human-microbe interactions in health and disease (Turnbaugh *et al.*, 2007). These investigations have provided important insights into various conditions, from inflammatory bowel disease to mental health disorders, demonstrating the far-reaching implications of microbial community composition for human health (Lynch & Pedersen, 2016).

In biotechnology, metagenomics has emerged as a powerful tool for bioprospecting - the discovery of novel enzymes and bioactive compounds (Kodzius & Gojobori, 2015). Metagenomic screening of deep-sea sediments has led to the identification of cold-adapted enzymes with potential industrial applications, particularly in sectors requiring low-temperature bioprocessing (Ferrer *et al.*, 2019). The exploration of soil metagenomes has revealed novel biosynthetic gene clusters

involved in antibiotic production, offering new possibilities for drug development (Hover *et al.*, 2018)

2.8.2 Key concepts in metagenomic analyses

Understanding several fundamental concepts is essential for interpreting metagenomic data and its implications for AMR research. Within environmental samples, the microbiome represents the complete genetic arsenal of all microorganisms inhabiting a specific environment, providing comprehensive insights into community composition and functional potential (D'Costa *et al.*, 2006). Within this broader genomic context, the resistome comprises a specific subset - the collection of genes that confer antimicrobial resistance, whether these genes are currently active or latent (Pillay *et al.*, 2022).

In analysing both microbiomes (typically referring to the taxonomic composition) and resistomes (referring to genes conferring resistance), one can differentiate between core and accessory elements. The core components comprise members (species or genes) that are consistently present across samples from a given environment type, representing the stable, essential elements of that ecosystem (Hellewell *et al.*, 2024). These core elements often perform fundamental functions necessary for ecosystem stability (Segerman, 2012). In contrast, the accessory elements include more variable components that may reflect local adaptations or transient environmental pressures (Segerman, 2012; Hellewell *et al.*, 2024). This distinction helps researchers understand both the fundamental and dynamic aspects of microbial communities, particularly in the context of antimicrobial resistance.

2.9 ESKAPE pathogens in environmental and clinical settings

The term "ESKAPE" encompasses six bacterial pathogens that have emerged as major threats to public health due to their antimicrobial resistance profiles and their alarming ability to acquire antimicrobial resistance (Denissen *et al.*, 2022; Venkateswaran *et al.*, 2023). This group includes *Enterococcus faecium*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, *Acinetobacter baumannii*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, and *Enterobacter* species. These organisms warrant special attention because they demonstrate remarkable adaptability in developing resistance mechanisms (Denissen *et al.*, 2022; Aguilar-Salazar *et al.*, 2023).

Recent research has revealed concerning patterns in how these pathogens interact with antimicrobial compounds. *Enterococcus faecium* exhibits increasing resistance to glycopeptide

antibiotics, particularly in healthcare settings where these drugs serve as last-line treatments (Venkateswaran *et al.*, 2023). *Staphylococcus aureus* populations have evolved complex resistance mechanisms, with methicillin-resistant strains now widespread in both hospital and community environments (Antonov *et al.*, 2015). *Klebsiella pneumoniae* demonstrates remarkable genomic plasticity, readily acquiring new resistance genes through horizontal transfer (Hirvonen *et al.*, 2021). *Acinetobacter baumannii* combines intrinsic and acquired resistance mechanisms, particularly concerning in healthcare facilities where it persists on surfaces (Mirzaei *et al.*, 2020). *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* utilises complex efflux systems and enzymatic mechanisms to resist multiple antibiotic classes (Alcalde-Rico *et al.*, 2016). *Enterobacter* species show rapid and concerning resistance development during treatment, complicating therapeutic approaches (Abedinzadeh *et al.*, 2023).

Environmental surveillance has detected these pathogens beyond clinical settings, particularly in urban wastewater, surface waters, and anthropogenically impacted soils (Aguilar-Salazar *et al.*, 2023). Their presence in environmental reservoirs suggests complex transmission networks between clinical and environmental settings, highlighting the need for comprehensive surveillance approaches that consider both domains (Denissen *et al.*, 2022). Understanding these transmission patterns and their implications for public health requires integrative approaches that combine traditional surveillance with modern metagenomic techniques.

2.10 Landmark metagenomic AMR studies and current approaches

The transformative potential of metagenomics in AMR research has been demonstrated by several large-scale studies (Hemamalini *et al.*, 2022; Pillay *et al.*, 2022). These multi-institutional efforts have laid a strong foundation for understanding the complexities of the global resistome. For instance, the TARA Oceans Project, although not a dedicated AMR effort, meticulously collected thousands of samples across the world's oceans, enabling researchers to map the ocean resistome (Sunagawa *et al.*, 2020). These analyses revealed not only an extensive diversity of resistance genes but also the presence of AMR hotspots, particularly in regions with high human activity, such as coastal areas near major cities and shipping lanes, where the relative abundance of ARGs was notably higher compared to open ocean regions (Cuadrat *et al.*, 2020; Sunagawa *et al.*, 2020). Another landmark effort, the consortium-led MetaSUB Project, sampled metagenomes from mass transit systems around the world (Mason *et al.*, 2016). The analysis of these metagenomes

uncovered surprising similarities in the resistomes of distant cities, particularly in terms of the core ARGs associated with common pathogens found in urban environments. This core urban resistome was consistent across geographically distant locations, indicating that urban environments share a common set of resistance genes. Moreover, the study highlighted the potential role of human travel and global trade in the spread of AMR, as resistomes in cities with high levels of international connectivity showed greater similarities (Danko *et al.*, 2020).

Wastewater metagenomic studies are increasingly being employed to elucidate complex interactions between clinical, agricultural and environmental resistomes (Pillay *et al.*, 2022; Talat *et al.*, 2023). Wastewater acts as a key convergence of human, animal, and environmental influences, making metagenomic surveys of wastewater a crucial tool for identifying AMR trends and emerging threats in a broader, multi-input context. That is, wastewater collects ARGs from various sources, including hospitals, farms, and residential areas, thus providing a comprehensive snapshot of the resistomes circulating within a community and the potential for ARGs to spread across different environments (Pillay *et al.*, 2022; Raza *et al.*, 2021). Metagenomic endeavours, such as the Global Sewage Surveillance Project, have set out to use wastewater metagenomics to create a global map of AMR, pinpointing areas of concern and potential intervention points (Munk *et al.*, 2022). This effort demonstrated clear geographic variations in the abundance and types of ARGs, highlighting the influence of local factors such as antibiotic usage patterns, healthcare infrastructure, and environmental management practices (Munk *et al.*, 2022). However, the project also identified a core set of ARGs present across all locations, emphasising the global nature of the AMR crisis. Potential intervention points identified by this project include targeted improvements in wastewater treatment processes, stricter regulation of antibiotic usage, and enhanced surveillance in regions identified as AMR hotspots (Munk *et al.*, 2022).

While these landmark studies have played a crucial role in our understanding of AMR dynamics and spread, there are still several limitations. The focus on specific, singular environments (oceans, urban systems, wastewater) serves as strong proxies for specific aspects of AMR spread (Pillay *et al.*, 2022). However, the AMR crisis is a global challenge that demands a broader and more integrated focus. Few studies directly compare resistomes across vastly diverse environments (Djordjevic *et al.*, 2024). This limits our understanding of how microorganisms within these ecological niches interact and how ARGs might move between these environments. This gap

underscores the need for a comprehensive approach that moves beyond isolated environmental studies.

2.11 A comprehensive metagenomic survey of soil and water environments

Soil and aquatic settings act as reservoirs and conduits for resistance genes, representing two critical domains for understanding the dissemination and spread of AMR on a global scale (Häder *et al.*, 2020; Pillay *et al.*, 2022; Zheng *et al.*, 2022). Soil environments harbour a vast and diverse microbial population, including many potential carriers of resistance genes (Zheng *et al.*, 2022). Furthermore, these microbial populations and their resistome are substantially influenced by human activities such as agriculture and wastewater irrigation (Ordine *et al.*, 2023). By analysing metagenomes derived from a diverse range of soil types, from pristine to heavily urbanised landscapes, the distribution of ARGs in soil environments can be mapped and the impact of human influence on the global resistome can be elucidated. Likewise, aquatic environments play a critical role in the dissemination of ARGs (Häder *et al.*, 2020). They act as conduits, facilitating the movement of resistant bacteria and resistance genes across vast distances through rivers, oceans, and groundwater (Häder *et al.*, 2020; Qin *et al.*, 2020). By analysing metagenomes derived from a comprehensive set of aquatic environments, from freshwater to marine and coastal waters, the flow of ARGs through the entire water cycle and the role of anthropogenic influences in the global spread of antimicrobial resistance can be determined. This global metagenomic approach moves beyond isolated snapshots to provide a comprehensive understanding of ARG distribution and movement.

Chapter 3: Materials and methods

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3.1 Data Acquisition and Preprocessing

A total of 1,863 publicly available metagenomes, both assembled and non-assembled, were obtained from the MG-RAST v4.0.3 server (Meyer *et al.*, 2008). MG-RAST is a comprehensive metagenome repository comprising 512,961 metagenomes and 2.287 billion sequences. MetaQUAST v5.2.0 (Mikheenko *et al.*, 2016) was used to assess the quality of these metagenomes focusing on metrics such as the number of contigs and the total base pair count, which reflects the overall size of each metagenome. These parameters were used for quality control of the metagenomes as outlined in section 2.5.

3.2 Taxonomic Classification

Taxonomic classification of the metagenomic contigs was performed using Kraken2 (Wood *et al.*, 2019). The standard Kraken2 database was utilised, which includes genomes from RefSeq encompassing non-redundant archaeal, bacterial, viral and the human (version GRCh38) genome sequences as well as plasmids and UniVec_Core sequences (Pruitt *et al.*, 2007; Wood *et al.*, 2019). This comprehensive database ensures accurate classification across a wide range of organisms, including potential contaminants such as human DNA.

Kraken 2 employs a k-mer-based approach combined with the lowest common ancestor (LCA) strategy to assign taxonomic labels to sequences. It constructs a database of k-mers from the reference genomes, and for each metagenomic read or contig, it searches for exact k-mer matches within this database. Using minimisers, the smallest k-mer in a sequence window, it substantially reduces computational memory requirements and enhances processing speed compared to traditional k-mer methods (Wood *et al.*, 2019). The taxonomic assignment is based on the LCA of all matched k-mers for a given sequence. Default parameters were applied for the Kraken 2 searches, with a k-mer length of 35 ($k=35$) and a minimiser length of 31 ($\ell=31$) (Wood *et al.*, 2019).

3.3 Antibiotic Resistance Gene (ARG) Identification

Identification of ARGs within the metagenomes was conducted using DeepARG-SS v1.0.2 (Arango-Argoty *et al.*, 2018), which is optimised for short-read data. DeepARG-SS utilises a custom reference database, DeepARG-DB, that integrates three key databases: the Comprehensive

Antibiotic Resistance Database (CARD) (Jia *et al.*, 2017), the Antibiotic Resistance Genes Database (ARDB) (Liu & Pop, 2009), and UniProt (The Universal Protein Resource, 2008). CARD provides detailed information on antimicrobial resistance mechanisms and genes, facilitating accurate identification of known ARGs. ARDB offers a comprehensive catalogue of resistance genes, including both experimentally verified and computationally predicted entries. UniProt, a large protein database, aids in identifying intrinsic and acquired resistance mechanisms and potentially discovering novel resistance proteins. The integration of these databases into DeepARG-DB ensures extensive coverage of known resistance mechanisms.

DeepARG-SS employs a two-step approach for ARG identification. Initially, it performs a best-hit search against DeepARG-DB to identify potential ARGs within the metagenomic sequences. Following this, it employs a deep learning framework using neural networks trained on extensive ARG datasets to validate and refine the initial results (Arango-Argoty *et al.*, 2018). This step is particularly effective in detecting ARGs with lower sequence similarity to reference entries. A stringent probability threshold of ≥ 0.8 was applied to ensure high confidence in ARG classification and minimise false positives.

3.4 Data Normalisation

To account for variations in sequencing depth, library size, and assembly quality across the metagenomes, normalisation was performed. The total metagenome size and the number of contigs were obtained from the MetaQUAST output, while the number of bacterial and archaeal reads was derived from the Kraken2 output. A normalisation metric was calculated for each metagenome using the equation:

$$\text{Normalisation metric} = \frac{\text{total metagenome size}}{\text{number of contigs in metagenome}} \times (\# \text{ bacterial reads} + \# \text{ archaeal reads})$$

This metric accounts for both the assembly quality and the abundance of prokaryotic reads. The count data from the DeepARG-SS reports (ARG counts) and the Kraken 2 reports (taxonomic counts) were then normalised using the equation:

$$\text{Normalised count} = \frac{\text{ARG or taxonomic count}}{\text{Normalisation metric (metagenome specific)}}$$

All subsequent analyses were conducted using these normalised counts.

3.5 Quality Control

Metagenomes were filtered based on their normalisation metric to ensure sufficient data quality and coverage. Only metagenomes with a normalised size $\geq 3,870,000$ base pairs, the approximate size of an average bacterial genome (diCenzo & Finan, 2017), were retained for analysis. After normalisation and filtering, 1,758 metagenomes passed the quality control criteria, while 105 metagenomes with normalisation metrics below the threshold, were excluded.

The retained metagenomes originated from aquatic (n=829) and soil (n=929) environments on a global scale. Aquatic metagenomes were categorised into six biomes: coastal seawater (n=289), marine seawater (n=176), surface saline water (n=7), surface freshwater (n=87), groundwater (n=57), and urban wastewater (n=213). Soil metagenomes were classified into six biomes: anthropogenic (n=316), arid (n=24), cold (n=65), subtropical (n=180), temperate (n=206), and tropical (n=138) soils (Supplementary Table 1; Figure 1).

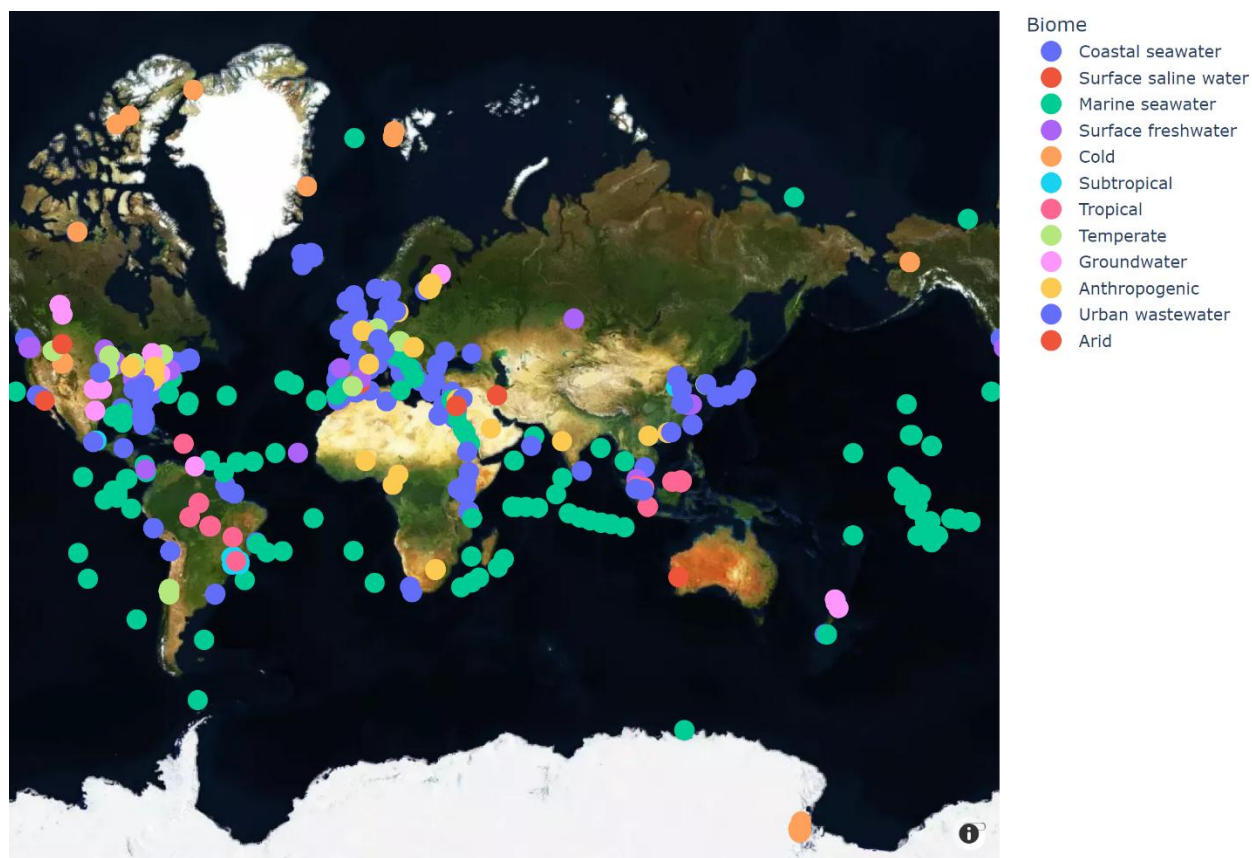


Figure 1. **Global map of metagenomes.** The global distribution of 1,758 metagenomes analysed in this study. Each dot on the map represents a sampling location, color-coded by biome as indicated in the legend. The dataset includes 829 metagenomes from aquatic settings and 929 metagenomes from soil environments. Map created with Mapbox.

3.6 Statistical Analysis

Statistical analyses were performed using both Python v3.12.2 and R v4.3.2. Data manipulation and computations were carried out using libraries that included NumPy (Harris *et al.*, 2020), SciPy (Virtanen *et al.*, 2020), pandas (McKinney, 2011) and scikit-learn (Pedregosa *et al.*, 2011). Visualisations were generated using Matplotlib (Hunter, 2007) and Seaborn (Waskom, 2021). Custom scripts were developed for diversity analyses, correlation assessments, and regression modelling.

3.6.1 Alpha Diversity Analysis

Alpha diversity, representing the diversity within individual samples, was assessed for both microbial species and ARG profiles across different biomes (Kers & Saccenti, 2022). The Shannon

diversity index (H') (Shannon, 1948) was employed due to its sensitivity to both richness (the number of different species or ARGs) and evenness (the relative abundance of each species or ARG). This index provides insights into the complexity and diversity of microbial communities and their resistomes within each sample.

The Shannon diversity index was calculated using the formula:

$$H' = - \sum p_i * \ln(p_i)$$

where p_i is the proportional abundance of species/ARG.

To evaluate the reliability of the diversity estimates and account for potential variations due to sampling, a bootstrapping approach with 1,000 iterations per biome was implemented using the scikit-bio library (Pedregosa *et al.*, 2011). This resampling method provides confidence intervals for the diversity measures, enhancing the robustness of the analyses.

3.6.2 Beta Diversity Analysis and Principal Coordinate Analysis (PCoA)

Beta diversity analyses were conducted to investigate compositional differences between microbial communities across samples from different biomes. Beta diversity measures the extent of change in species or ARG composition between samples, reflecting ecological distances (Kers & Saccenti, 2022).

The Bray-Curtis dissimilarity metric (Bray & Curtis, 1957) was used, as it considers both the presence/absence and abundance of species or ARGs, providing a measure of community dissimilarity. Before computing the dissimilarity matrices, a logarithmic transformation with a pseudocount of 1 was applied to the normalised count data:

$$Transformed\ count = \log(Normalised\ count + 1)$$

This log transformation reduces the impact of highly abundant features, stabilises variance, and allows rarer species or ARGs to contribute more equally to the analysis. The addition of a pseudocount prevents undefined logarithms for zero counts, ensuring all data points are included.

Principal Coordinate Analysis (PCoA) (Gower, 1966) was performed on the Bray-Curtis dissimilarity matrices to visualise the high-dimensional data in a reduced-dimensional space. This ordination method helps in detecting patterns of similarity or dissimilarity among samples (Gower,

1966). Scatter plots of the PCoA scores were generated, with samples coloured according to their biome classification, to explore clustering patterns and potential ecological gradients.

3.6.3 Partial Least Squares Correlation (PLSC) Analysis

Partial Least Squares Correlation (PLSC) analysis (Sarstedt *et al.*, 2017) was employed to explore the relationship between microbial community composition and the prevalence of ARGs. PLSC is a multivariate technique that identifies latent variables (components or factors) explaining the maximum covariance between two datasets—in this case, species abundances and ARG abundances.

Pre-processed datasets containing species and ARG abundances were used as input for the PLSC model, implemented using the PLSRegression module from scikit-learn (Pedregosa *et al.*, 2011). The number of components was set to two (`n_components=2`) to capture the primary sources of covariance.

Sample scores from the PLSC model were visualised to examine potential associations within the reduced-dimensional space. Pearson's correlation coefficient was calculated to assess the strength and significance of the linear relationship between species and ARG scores. Bootstrapping procedures with 1,000 resamples were implemented to determine a 95% confidence interval for the correlation coefficient. Ordinary least squares (OLS) regression analysis (Seber & Lee, 2003) was performed to model the relationship and Fisher's Z-transformation (Fisher, 1915) was applied for corrected confidence interval estimation.

3.6.4 Core and Accessory Resistome Analysis

To distinguish between pervasive (core) and less common (accessory) ARGs, an analysis was conducted based on their occurrence across samples. A binary presence/absence matrix was derived from the normalised ARG abundance data.

Binomial tests were performed using SciPy (Virtanen *et al.*, 2020) to assess whether the observed presence of each ARG across samples was significantly higher than expected under a null hypothesis of equal probability of presence. The Benjamini-Hochberg method (Benjamini & Hochberg, 1995) was applied to control the false discovery rate during multiple testing, using the statsmodels library (Seabold & Perktold, 2010). ARGs with adjusted p-values below a threshold of 0.05 were designated as part of the global core resistome.

The same methodology was applied to determine the core resistome within each individual biome (local core resistome). For each biome, the accessory resistome was defined by filtering out both the global and local core ARGs. The occurrences of the remaining accessory ARGs were analysed, focusing on their predicted ARG classes. To account for potential variations in the total abundance of accessory ARGs across biomes, the proportions of each accessory ARG class within each biome were calculated, providing insights into biome-specific resistome profiles.

3.6.5 Phylum-level analysis

A phylum-level analysis was conducted to assess the relative abundance of microbial phyla across both soil and aquatic biomes. Phylum-level reads were extracted from the Kraken2 (Wood *et al.*, 2019) output for both datasets, followed by data normalisation. The soil and aquatic metagenome datasets were combined to enable cross-biome comparisons. For each metagenome, the normalised phylum-level abundance data was averaged across the respective biomes to generate biome-specific phylum profiles. These averages were calculated using custom Python scripts, and the results were saved to a combined dataset. A heatmap was generated to visualise the distribution of phyla across biomes using R's pheatmap package (Kolde, 2019).

In addition, a network graph was constructed to explore relationships between phyla and biomes. An undirected graph was generated, where biomes were represented as nodes and edges were weighted based on the average phylum-level abundance values. A Fruchterman-Reingold layout was employed to highlight clustering patterns (Fruchterman & Reingold, 1991). This approach facilitated visual exploration of phylum distribution and potential biome-specific associations.

3.6.6 ESKAPE pathogen identification and analysis

ESKAPE pathogens (*Enterococcus faecium*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, *Acinetobacter baumannii*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, and *Enterobacter* species) were identified using the Kraken2 (Wood *et al.*, 2019) classification results. ESKAPE pathogens are major contributors to the spread of AMR and pose a substantial health threat due to their ability to evade antibiotic treatments (Denissen *et al.*, 2022; Aguilar-Salazar *et al.*, 2023). Species-level reads were extracted using a custom Python script. The relative proportion of ESKAPE species in each biome was then calculated by normalising the species-level ESKAPE reads against the total number of species-level reads, using the normalisation metric.

The calculated proportions provided an estimate of ESKAPE prevalence compared to the total prokaryotic microbial community. These data were used for further analysis of ESKAPE distribution across different biomes and environments.

Chapter 4: Results and discussion

4.1 Results

4.1.1 Microbial species diversity in aquatic and soil environments

Microbial species of the aquatic and soil metagenomic datasets were analysed using Kraken2 for taxonomic classification of metagenomic reads. The resultant taxonomic reports were used to calculate Shannon diversity indices to assess alpha diversity.

In aquatic settings, urban wastewater exhibited the highest microbial diversity with a Shannon index of 5.43 and an average of 9,844.68 species per sample (Figure 2A). The interquartile range (IQR) for urban wastewater was relatively narrow, indicating that there is more consistent evenness in the microbial diversity across the urban wastewater samples. This rigid clustering around the median reflects a stable community structure across these samples. Groundwater showed a median Shannon index of 4.77 with a broader IQR, suggesting more variability in microbial diversity among different groundwater samples as well as an average of 9,074.84 species per sample.

Coastal seawater and surface freshwater recorded the second and third-highest Shannon indices of 5.10 and 4.90, respectively, reflecting a moderate but diverse range of species. Coastal seawater exhibited a relatively broad IQR, indicating that microbial diversity varies across samples. Marine seawater and surface saline water showed Shannon indices of 4.23 and 4.28. Marine water samples comprised on average 7,020.72 distinct microbial species per sample, 28.7% lower than urban wastewater.

In soil environments, cold biomes recorded the highest median Shannon diversity (5.63), indicating a rich and diverse microbial community and contained an average of 9,688.51 microbial species per sample (Figure 2B). Despite having the highest median diversity, cold soils showed a relatively compact IQR, suggesting that microbial diversity is consistent across samples in this biome. Temperate soils exhibited a lower median Shannon index of 4.99 but had the broadest IQR among all soil biomes. This indicates substantial variability in microbial diversity across samples in temperate regions.

Tropical soils, with a median Shannon index of 5.55, displayed a moderately wide IQR, reflecting some variability in microbial diversity, but still more uniform than temperate soils. Subtropical soils with a similar median Shannon diversity of 5.54 exhibited a relatively narrow IQR, indicating

that microbial diversity in subtropical environments tends to be more uniform across different samples.

Arid soils, with a Shannon index of 5.53, showed the narrowest IQR, indicating highly uniform microbial diversity across samples. Notably, anthropogenic soils had the lowest median Shannon diversity (4.92), with an average of 8,792.77 microbial species per sample, which is 9.25% lower than that observed for cold soils. The large IQR in these soils suggests variability in microbial diversity across samples.

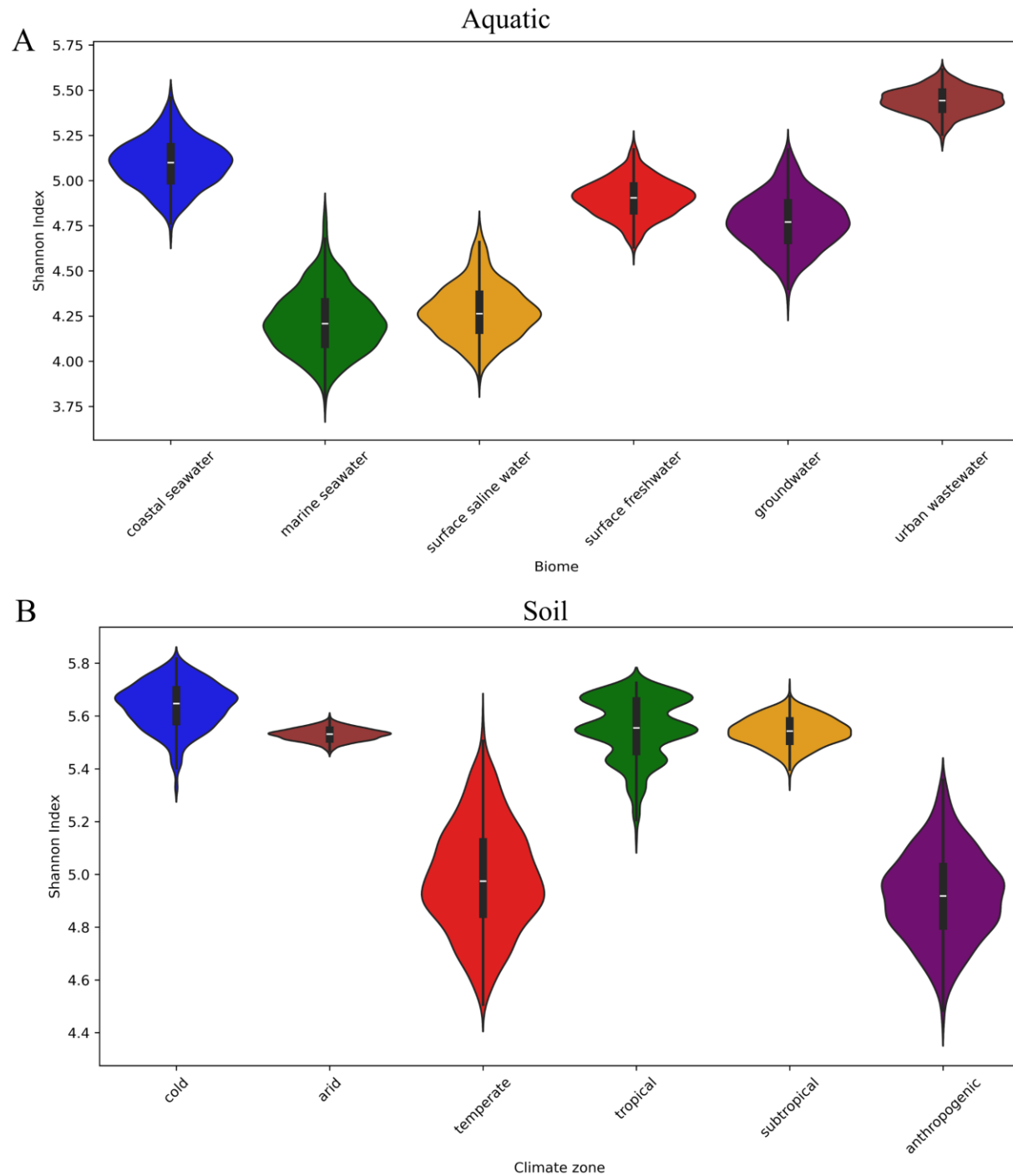


Figure 2. Shannon diversity of microbial species in aquatic and soil biomes. Violin plots depicting Shannon diversity indices for microbial species in aquatic (A) and soil (B) environments. Black bars represent the interquartile range, and white dots represent the medians.

Overall, the aquatic and soil biomes showed near-identical Shannon indices (5.409 for soil and 5.410 for aquatic metagenomes), suggesting similar microbial diversities for both sets of biomes

(Figure 3). However, it is important to note that there were structural differences in the microbial communities. Aquatic biomes displayed a broader distribution of Shannon diversity values, indicating more variability in microbial community composition across different samples, whereas soil biomes were more consistent, with tighter clustering around the median. This suggests that while aquatic environments may support highly diverse microbial communities, they are subject to greater fluctuations.

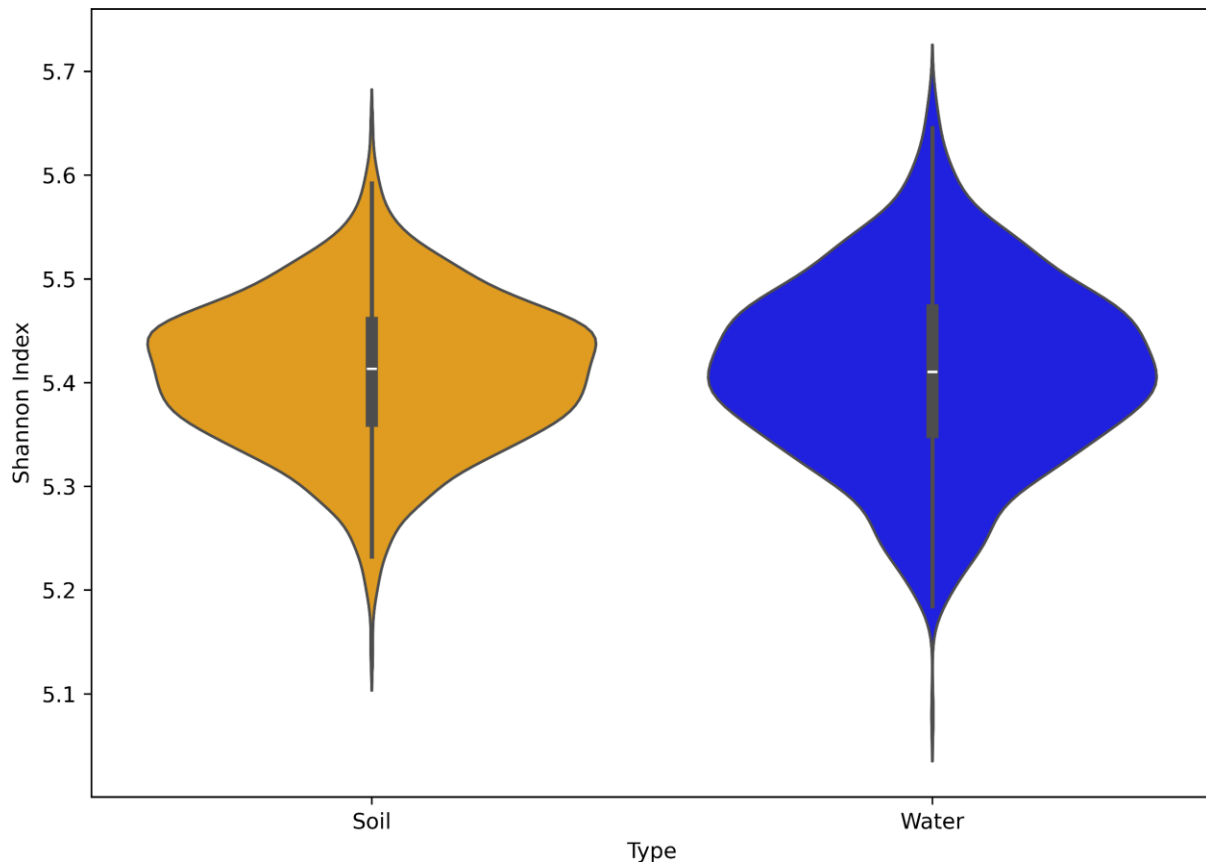


Figure 3. **Comparative analysis of Shannon diversity of microbial communities in soil and aquatic environments.** The Shannon diversity index in soil biomes (orange) was 5.409 and that of aquatic biomes (blue) was 5.410 demonstrating a nearly identical average Shannon diversity of microbial species. Black bars represent the interquartile range, and white dots show the median index values.

4.1.2 PCoA Analysis of Microbial Communities

To further investigate microbial species composition and community structure, a Principal Coordinate Analysis (PCoA) was performed using Bray-Curtis dissimilarity, a metric that captures

beta diversity by quantifying compositional differences between samples (Bray & Curtis, 1957). This analysis revealed distinct clustering patterns between the microbial communities of aquatic and soil environments. The data for this analysis were sourced from the Kraken2 reports for microbial species, with Bray-Curtis dissimilarity used to highlight the variability between different microbial populations.

In aquatic environments, coastal and marine seawater formed overlapping clusters distinct from other aquatic biomes (Figure 4A). Urban wastewater, groundwater and surface freshwater are clustered closely together. Surface saline water samples showed broad dispersion, though this biome had a relatively small sample size ($n=7$).

In soil environments, the PCoA demonstrated distinct clustering patterns based on biome (Figure 4B). Tropical soils formed a tight and distinct cluster indicating that microbial communities within this biome are relatively consistent in composition. This contrasts with the broader interquartile range (IQR) seen in the Shannon diversity of tropical soils (Figure 2B), suggesting that while overall diversity (richness and evenness) may vary between samples, the core microbial taxa remain stable.

Cold soils, on the other hand, showed a broader and more dispersed clustering in the PCoA plot. This suggests variability in microbial community composition across samples, despite the relatively limited distribution seen in the alpha diversity (Shannon index) between the samples. The consistency in alpha diversity (Figure 2B) points to stable microbial richness and evenness within each sample, while the spread in the PCoA indicates that the specific species present differ more substantially between cold soil samples.

Anthropogenic soils displayed a distinct but broadly dispersed cluster in the PCoA, which demonstrates both variability in microbial composition and the influence of human activity. The large IQR observed in the alpha diversity analyses (Figure 2B) suggests that microbial richness and evenness are also highly variable in these soils.

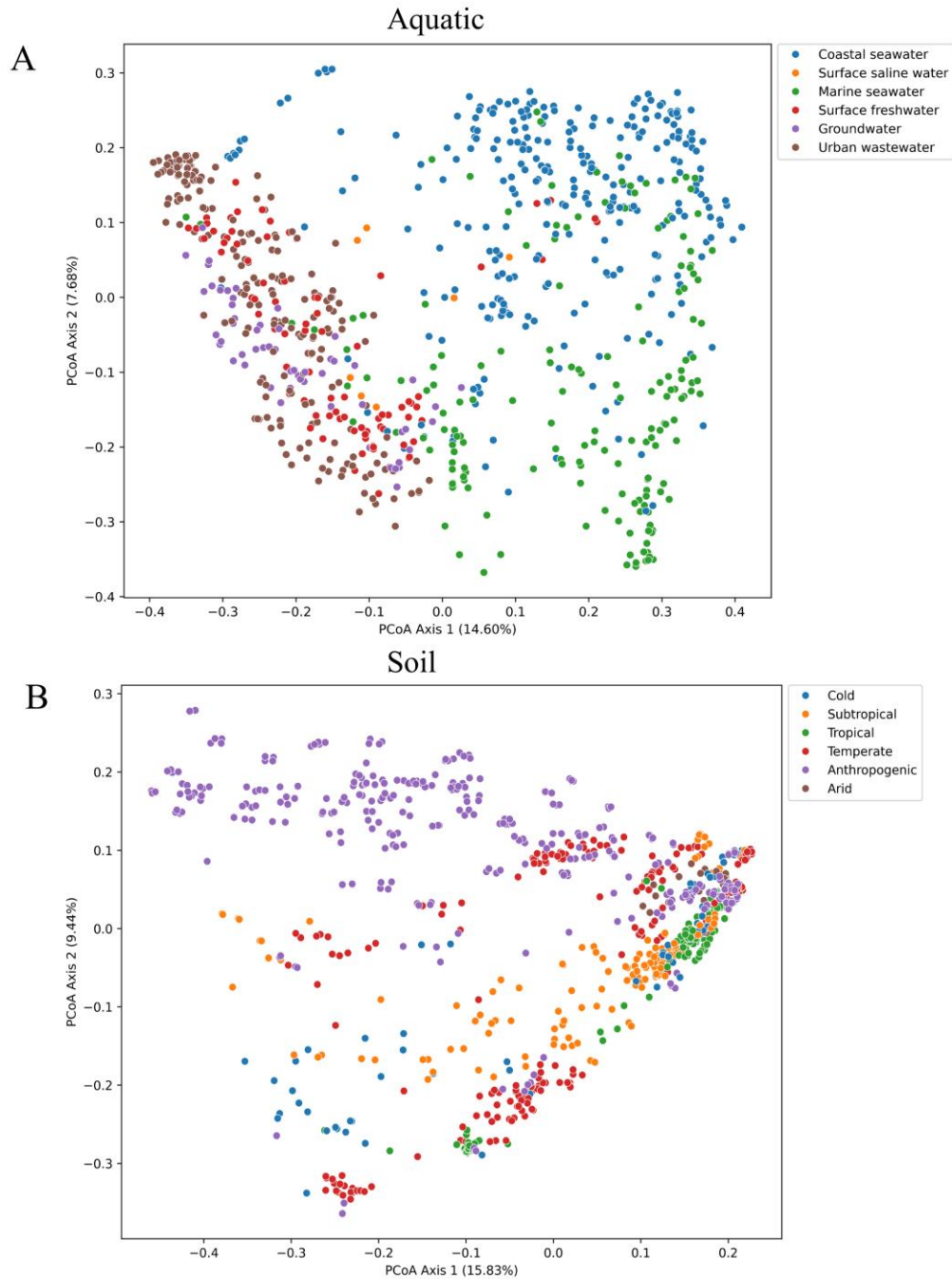


Figure 4. Principal Coordinate Analysis (PCoA) of microbial communities in aquatic and soil biomes. (A) Aquatic Biomes: the PCoA plot of microbial communities across aquatic environments, using Bray-Curtis dissimilarity, shows distinct clustering patterns, explaining 14.60% of variation on Axis 1 and 7.68% on Axis 2. (B) Soil Biomes: the PCoA plot of soil biomes explains 15.83% of variation on Axis 1 and 9.44% on Axis 2.

A combined PCoA plot (Figure 5) showed wider dispersion in aquatic samples emphasising the greater variability in microbial species composition in aquatic environments compared to soil. The soil samples demonstrated closer clustering, reflecting the more homogeneous nature of microbial communities in terrestrial environments.

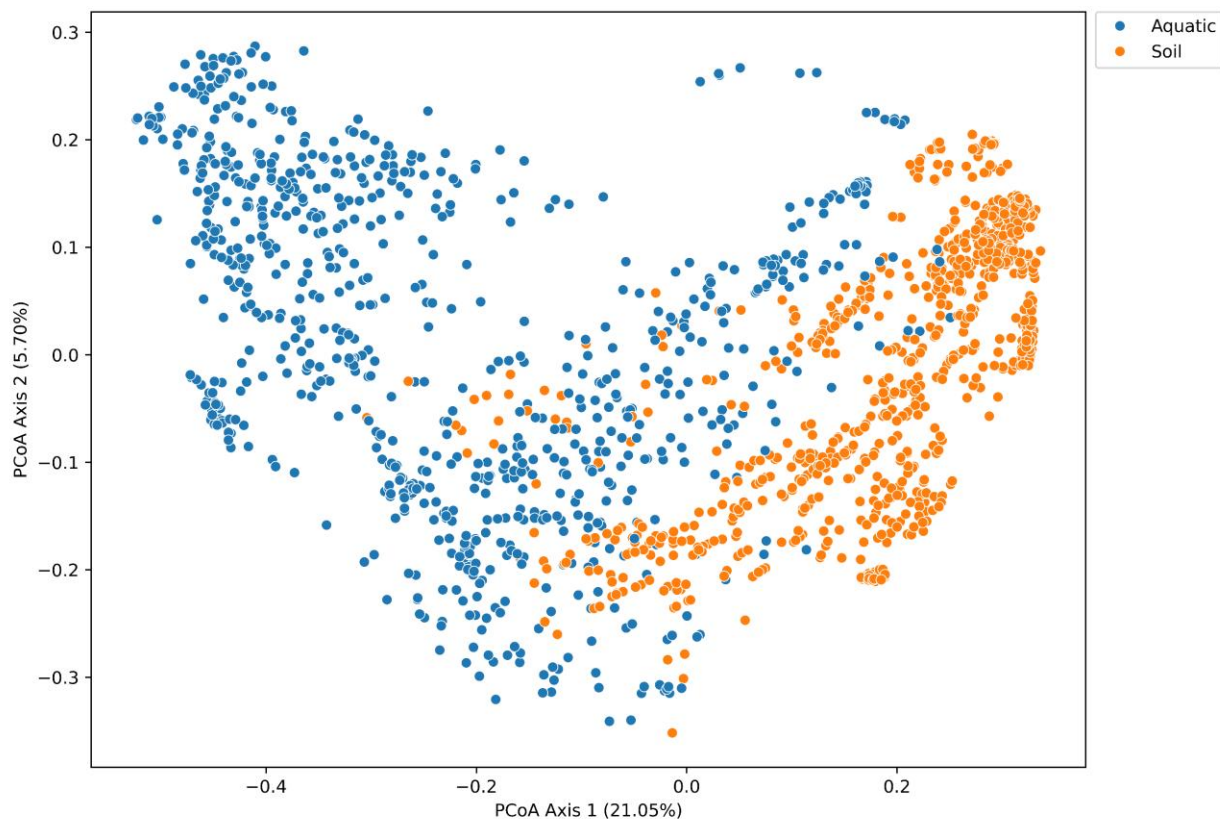


Figure 5. **Comparative PCoA of microbial community profiles in aquatic and soil biomes.** The PCoA plot, based on the Bray-Curtis dissimilarity of microbial community profiles in soil (orange) and aquatic (blue) biomes, highlights distinct compositional patterns across the two environments. The first two axes explain 21.05% (Axis 1) and 5.70% (Axis 2) of the variation.

4.1.3 Phylum-level analysis of microbial communities

Analysis of phylum-level abundance patterns revealed that aquatic environments harboured a broader range of phyla with higher relative abundances compared to soil environments (Figure 6A). This finding presents an interesting contrast to the species-level analysis, where both environment types showed nearly identical Shannon diversity indices (Shannon indices of 5.409 and 5.410, for soil and aquatic environments, respectively). This disparity suggests that while aquatic and soil environments maintain similar levels of species diversity, they achieve this

through different community structures - aquatic environments support a wider array of phyla, each with substantial populations, while soil environments may harbour more species diversity within a more restricted set of phyla.

The hierarchically clustered heatmap showed distinct abundance patterns across different biomes, with several phyla showing notably high abundances in urban wastewater (Polyangia) and coastal seawater (Nitrososphaerota). Pseudomonadota, Bacteroidota and Actinomycetota exhibited consistently high abundance across most aquatic biomes. Surface saline water showed unique abundance patterns for certain phyla including Euryarchaeota, Rhodothermota and Stenosarchaea.

The soil-specific heatmap (Figure 6B) revealed patterns initially obscured by the higher abundances in aquatic samples. Cold soils exhibited elevated abundances of Acidobacteriota, Verrucomicrobiota, and Cyanobacteria relative to other soil biomes. Anthropogenic soils showed lower phylum-level diversity except for Candidatus Micrarchaeota, Bacillota and Campylobacterota.

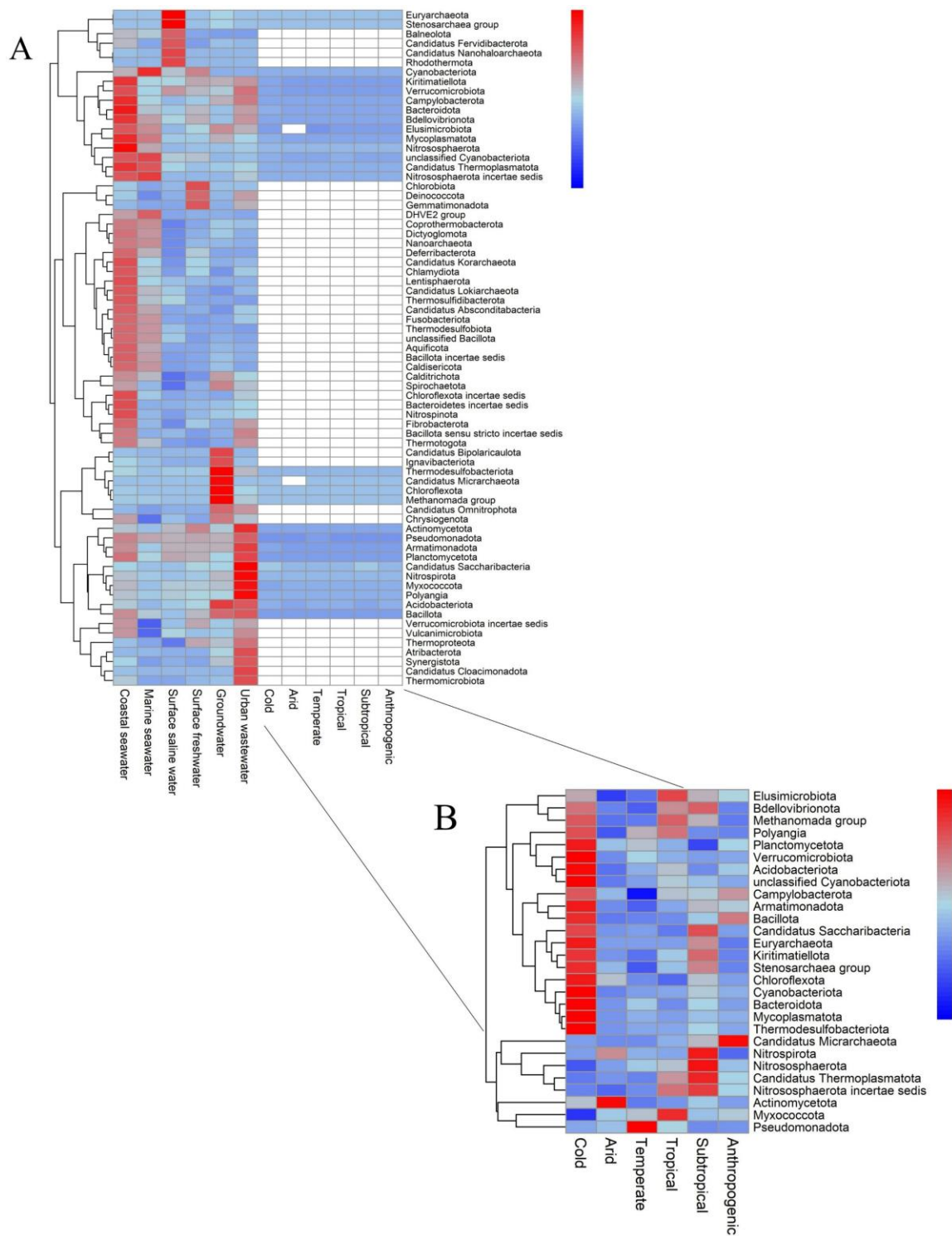


Figure 6. **Heatmap of phyla abundances across soil and aquatic biomes.** (A) A hierarchically clustered heatmap showing the relative abundance of microbial phyla across aquatic and soil biomes. (B) Additionally, soil biomes are individually analysed to reveal trends obscured by higher

abundances in the aquatic biomes. The colour scale represents standardised abundance values, with red indicating above-average abundance, light blue indicating average abundance and dark blue indicating below-average abundance. White cells indicate the absence of the phylum in that biome. The dendrogram shows hierarchical clustering of phyla based on abundance patterns

The network visualisation (Figure 7) provides additional insights into the relationships between microbial phyla and their environments. The graph utilises the Fruchterman-Reingold layout where closely related nodes cluster together, and the spatial arrangement reflects relationship strengths (Fruchterman & Reingold, 1991).

The clustering pattern in the network supports the heatmap findings regarding phylogenetic diversity. Aquatic biomes occupy central positions with numerous connections to diverse phyla, reflecting their role as reservoirs of phylogenetic diversity. The multiple connections radiating from these central nodes visualise the broader range of phyla present in aquatic environments. In contrast, soil biomes display fewer connections and are positioned more peripherally, indicating more specialised phylum associations. This spatial arrangement underscores the restricted phylogenetic diversity in soil environments. The network structure also highlights several phyla maintaining strong connections across multiple environments, such as Pseudomonadota, Bacteroidota and Stenosarchaea, demonstrating their ecological versatility.

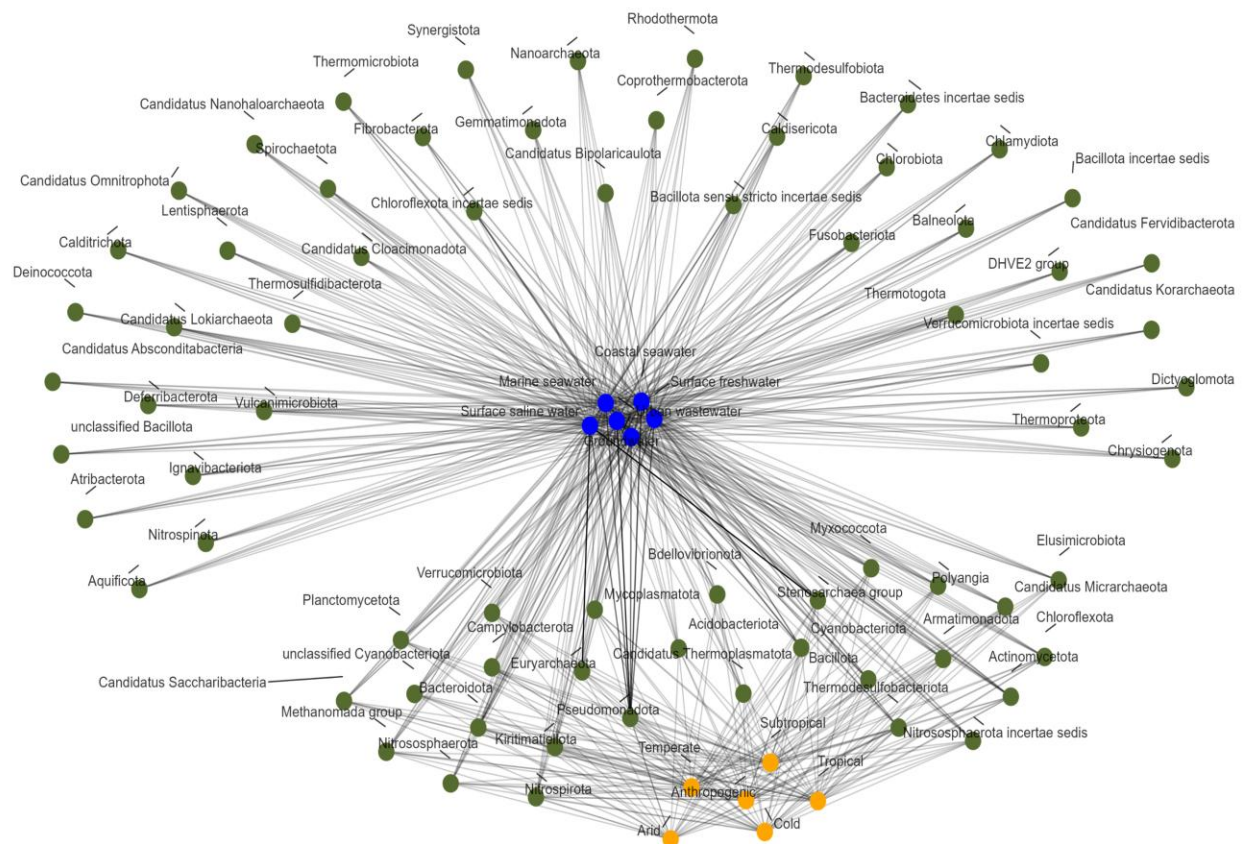


Figure 7. **Network visualisation of relationships between microbial phyla and environmental biomes.** Blue nodes represent aquatic biomes, orange nodes represent soil biomes and green nodes represent microbial phyla. Edge thickness corresponds to the strength of association between phyla and biomes. The visualisation employs the Fruchterman-Reingold layout algorithm, which positions nodes based on force-directed placement, resulting in naturally clustered communities where closely related nodes are positioned near each other.

4.1.4 ESKAPE pathogens across aquatic and soil biomes

The distribution of ESKAPE pathogens (*Enterococcus faecium*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, *Acinetobacter baumannii*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, and *Enterobacter* species) was analysed using Kraken2 reports to calculate their relative abundance at the prokaryotic species level.

In aquatic biomes, the highest proportions of ESKAPE pathogens were observed in groundwater (8.32%), urban wastewater (3.14%), and surface freshwater (4.81%) (Figure 8). *Staphylococcus aureus* dominated these environments with proportions of 5.40% in groundwater, 1.95% in urban wastewater, and 3.25% in surface freshwater. *Klebsiella pneumoniae* showed the second-highest abundance at 2.45% in groundwater, 0.73% in urban wastewater, and 1.28% in surface freshwater.

Coastal and marine seawater biomes exhibited lower proportions of ESKAPE pathogens, with coastal seawater showing a total ESKAPE species proportion of 1.14%. Surface saline water contained the lowest proportions of ESKAPE species at 0.09%.

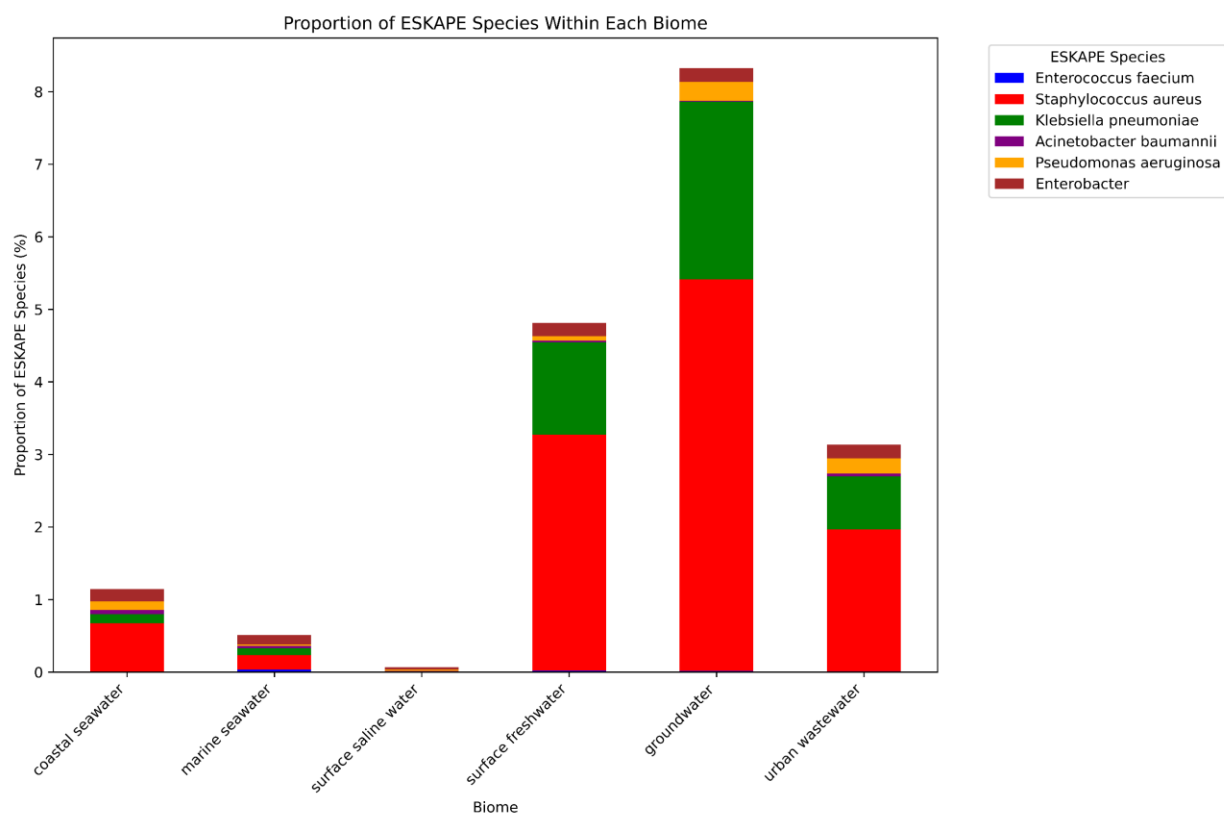


Figure 8. Proportion of ESKAPE pathogen species in aquatic biomes. This stacked bar chart illustrates the relative abundance of ESKAPE pathogens across the aquatic biomes, including coastal seawater, marine seawater, surface saline water, surface freshwater, groundwater, and urban wastewater. The proportions were calculated at the prokaryotic species level using Kraken2 reports.

In soil biomes (Figure 9), temperate soils harboured the highest proportion of ESKAPE species (8.23%), with *Klebsiella pneumoniae* and *Staphylococcus aureus* contributing 5.17% and 2.84%

respectively. Anthropogenic soils showed the dominance of *Enterobacter* spp. at 2.65%, contributing to a total ESKAPE proportion of 2.90%.

Remote soil biomes showed lower ESKAPE pathogen proportions. Cold soils exhibited a total ESKAPE proportion of 0.66%, with *Staphylococcus aureus* constituting 0.47%. Tropical soils had a total ESKAPE proportion of 0.26%, with *Klebsiella pneumoniae* reaching 0.13%.

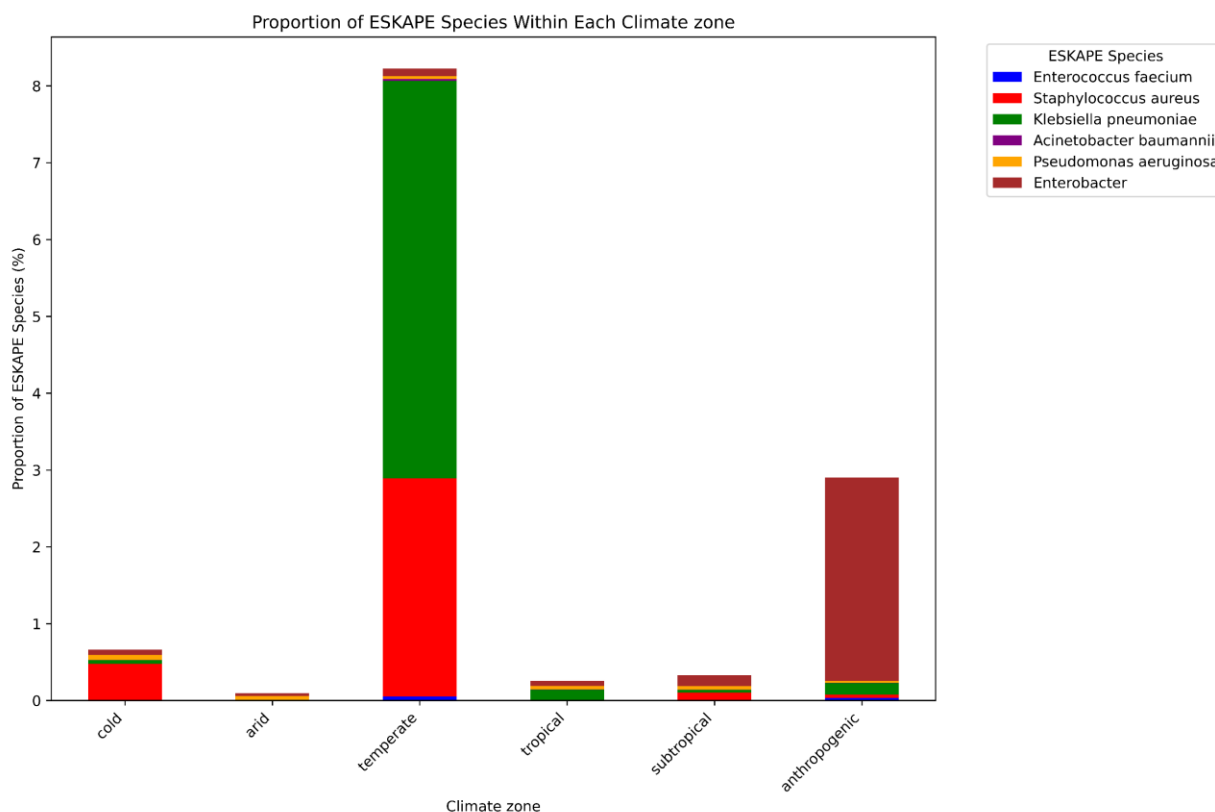


Figure 9. **Proportion of ESKAPE pathogen species in soil biomes.** This stacked bar chart shows the relative abundance of ESKAPE pathogens across various soil biomes, including temperate, anthropogenic, cold, arid, tropical, and subtropical soils. The proportions were calculated at the prokaryotic species level using Kraken2 reports.

4.1.5 ARG Diversity Analysis

The diversity of ARGs was analysed on the basis of both alpha and beta diversity, using Shannon diversity indices, PCoA and Partial Least Squares Correlation (PLSC) analysis. Data for ARG profiles were derived from DeepARG, with these analyses aimed at understanding how different environmental pressures shape resistomes across aquatic and soil biomes.

4.1.6 ARG diversity in aquatic and soil environments

In aquatic environments, a total of 733 distinct ARGs were detected across all samples. Urban wastewater exhibited the highest ARG diversity (Shannon index: 4.28, with an average of 239.61 distinct ARGs per sample) (Figure 10A), while surface saline water showed the lowest ARG diversity (Shannon index: 3.05, with an average of 52 distinct ARGs per sample). Although the ARG diversity is high among the urban wastewater samples, the IQR is moderate and smaller compared to other aquatic biomes, suggesting that the level of ARG diversity is relatively consistent across different urban wastewater samples. While community composition may vary, the overall richness and evenness of ARGs remain stable. Groundwater, similar to anthropogenic soils, displayed moderate ARG diversity (Shannon index: 4.19, with an average of 242.05 ARGs per sample) and had a comparatively smaller IQR. This indicates that, while individual groundwater samples may contain different ARG profiles, the level of diversity remains stable across samples.

In contrast, the other aquatic environments, surface freshwater, coastal seawater, marine seawater, and surface saline water, exhibited larger IQRs, indicating greater variability in the levels of ARG diversity between samples. Coastal and marine seawater had Shannon indices of 3.14 and 3.11, respectively, but the large IQRs suggest that, while the overall diversity is lower on average compared to the other aquatic environments, there is substantial variation in diversity between samples. Coastal seawater had an average of 104.96 ARGs per sample, while marine seawater had an average of 118.32 ARGs per sample.

In soil environments, a total of 721 distinct ARGs were detected across all samples. Anthropogenic soils displayed the highest ARG diversity (Shannon index: 5.71, with an average of 240.78 ARGs per sample) (Figure 10B), despite having lower microbial species diversity (Figure 2B). Subtropical soils, with an average of 216.36 ARGs per sample, and tropical soils, with an average of 217.34 ARGs per sample, followed with Shannon indices of 5.12 and 4.84, respectively. Notably, arid soils, despite exhibiting the lowest ARG diversity (Shannon index: 3.15), contained a relatively high average number of ARGs (239.13), suggesting that ARG abundance is dominated by a few ARG types, resulting in low evenness and therefore, a lower Shannon index in this environment.

Across all soil biomes, the IQRs for ARG diversity were consistently narrow (Figure 10B), indicating that the level of ARG diversity is relatively uniform across different samples within each biome. This uniformity does not imply that the same resistome is present in every sample, but rather that the richness and evenness of ARGs are consistent across the samples.

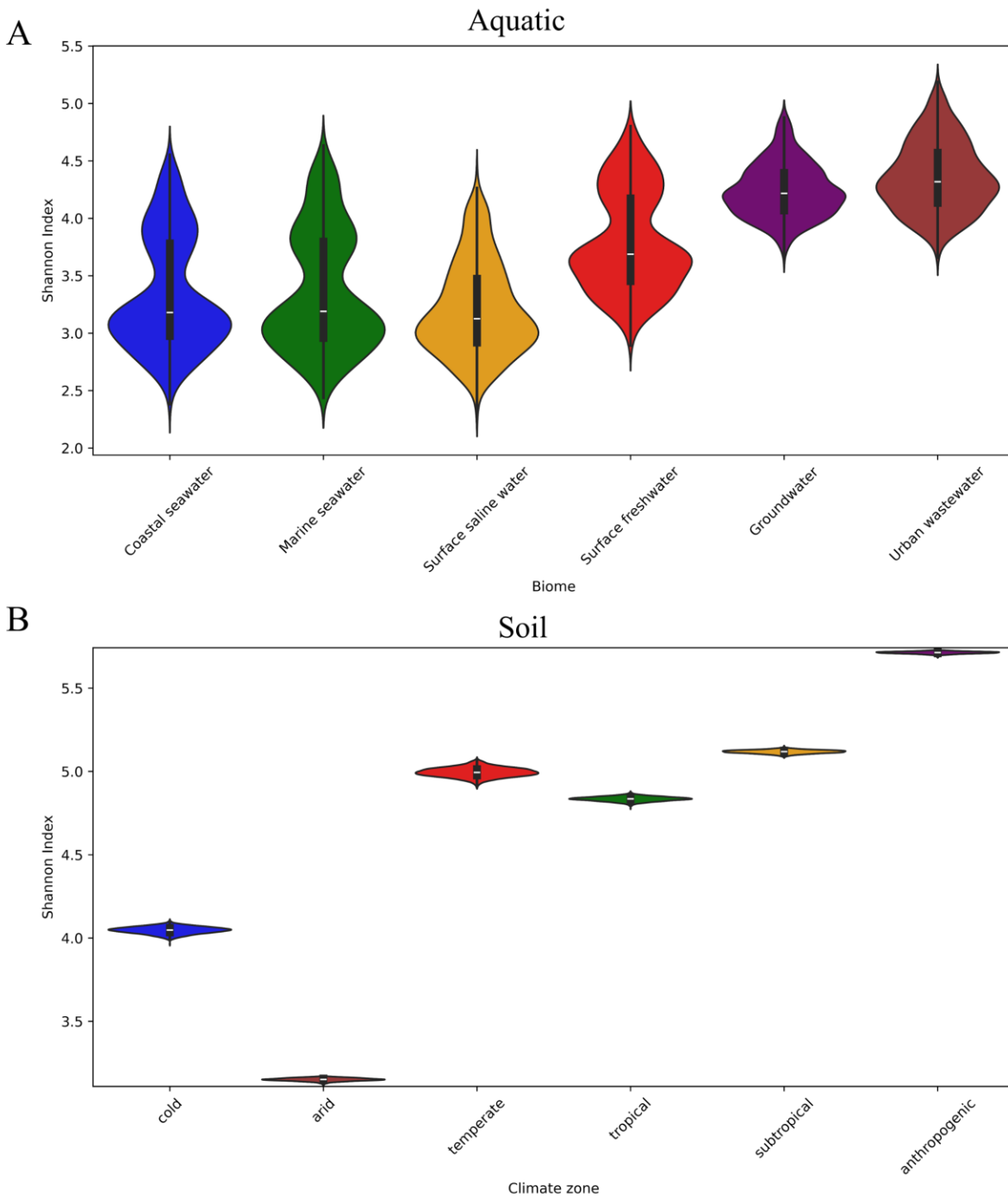


Figure 10. Shannon diversity of ARGs in aquatic and soil biomes. Violin plots depicting Shannon diversity indices for ARGs in aquatic (A) and soil (B) environments. Black bars represent medians, and white dots show median indices.

A comparison of the Shannon diversity indices of the soil and aquatic environments (Figure 11), demonstrated that soil samples exhibited a higher median index (4.68) compared to aquatic samples (4.52). This indicates that soil environments tend to support a more diverse set of ARGs overall. Additionally, the narrow IQR observed for soil samples suggests that the level of ARG diversity is more consistent across different soil environments. In contrast, aquatic environments showed broader variability in their Shannon diversity values, reflected by the wider IQR. This variability suggests that ARG diversity is more variable across aquatic samples. The broader range of ARG diversity in water samples indicates that aquatic environments, particularly those exposed to dynamic and changing conditions, harbour more variable ARG profiles, even though their overall diversity is lower than observed for the soil biomes.

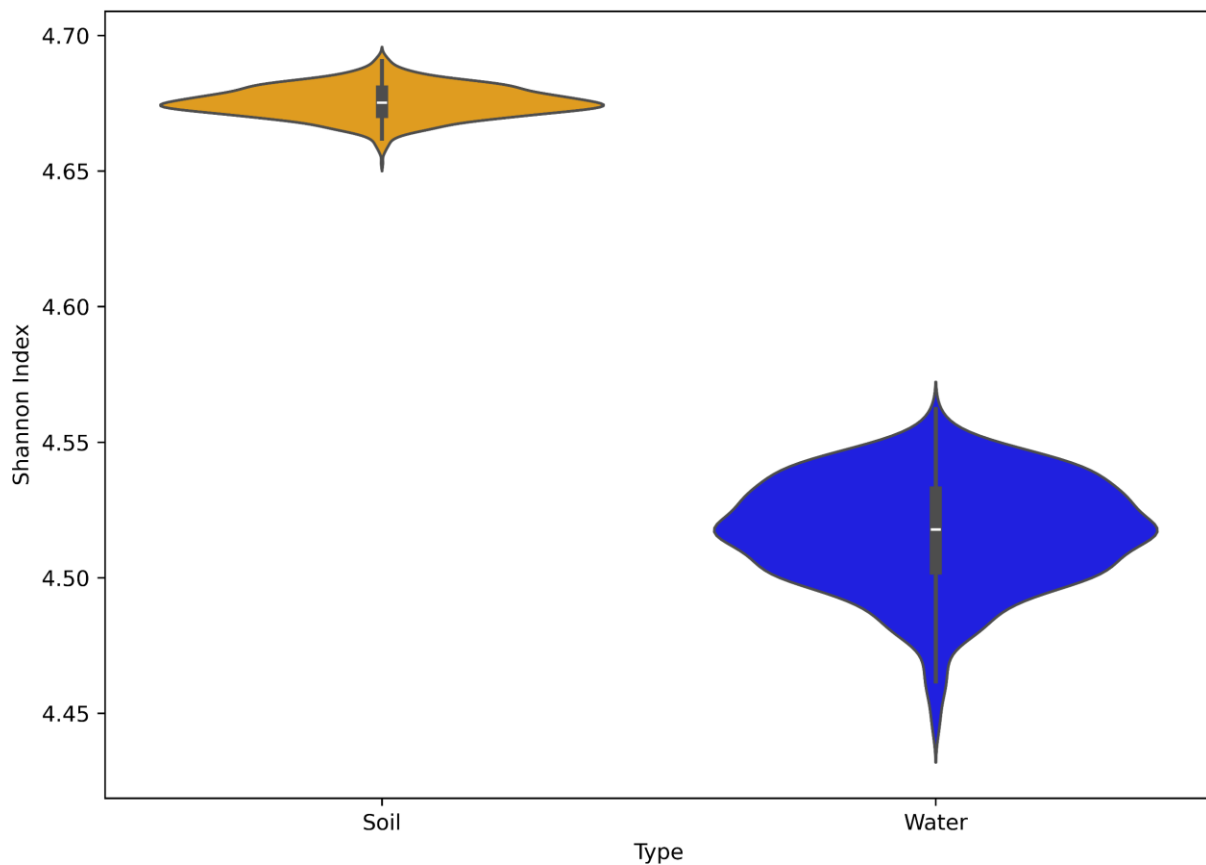


Figure 11. **Comparative Shannon diversity indices of ARGs in soil and aquatic environments.** This violin plot compares the Shannon diversity of ARGs between soil (orange) and aquatic (blue) environments. Soil samples exhibit a higher median Shannon diversity index of approximately

4.68, compared to aquatic samples with a median of 4.52. The black bars represent the interquartile range, with the white dots indicating the median index values for each environment.

4.1.7 Principal coordinate analyses of ARG diversity

To further explore the compositional differences in ARG profiles of the different aquatic and soil biomes, PCoA analyses were performed using Bray-Curtis dissimilarity. The ARG profiles were generated using data from DeepARG, and Bray-Curtis dissimilarity was employed to capture the variability in ARG composition across different biomes.

In aquatic environments, the PCoA plot revealed a broad dispersion of ARG profiles across most biomes, reflecting the dynamic nature of aquatic systems (Figure 12A). However, coastal and marine seawater formed distinct, well-defined clusters, suggesting more uniform ARG profiles.

In soil environments, the PCoA plot revealed clearer clustering patterns. Anthropogenic soils formed a distinct cluster, reflecting highly consistent ARG profiles across samples, correlating with the highest ARG Shannon diversity index (5.71) among the soil biomes. In contrast, subtropical, tropical, temperate, arid, and cold soils showed more overlap, particularly in the lower-right portion of the plot, suggesting that shared environmental pressures (Figure 12B).

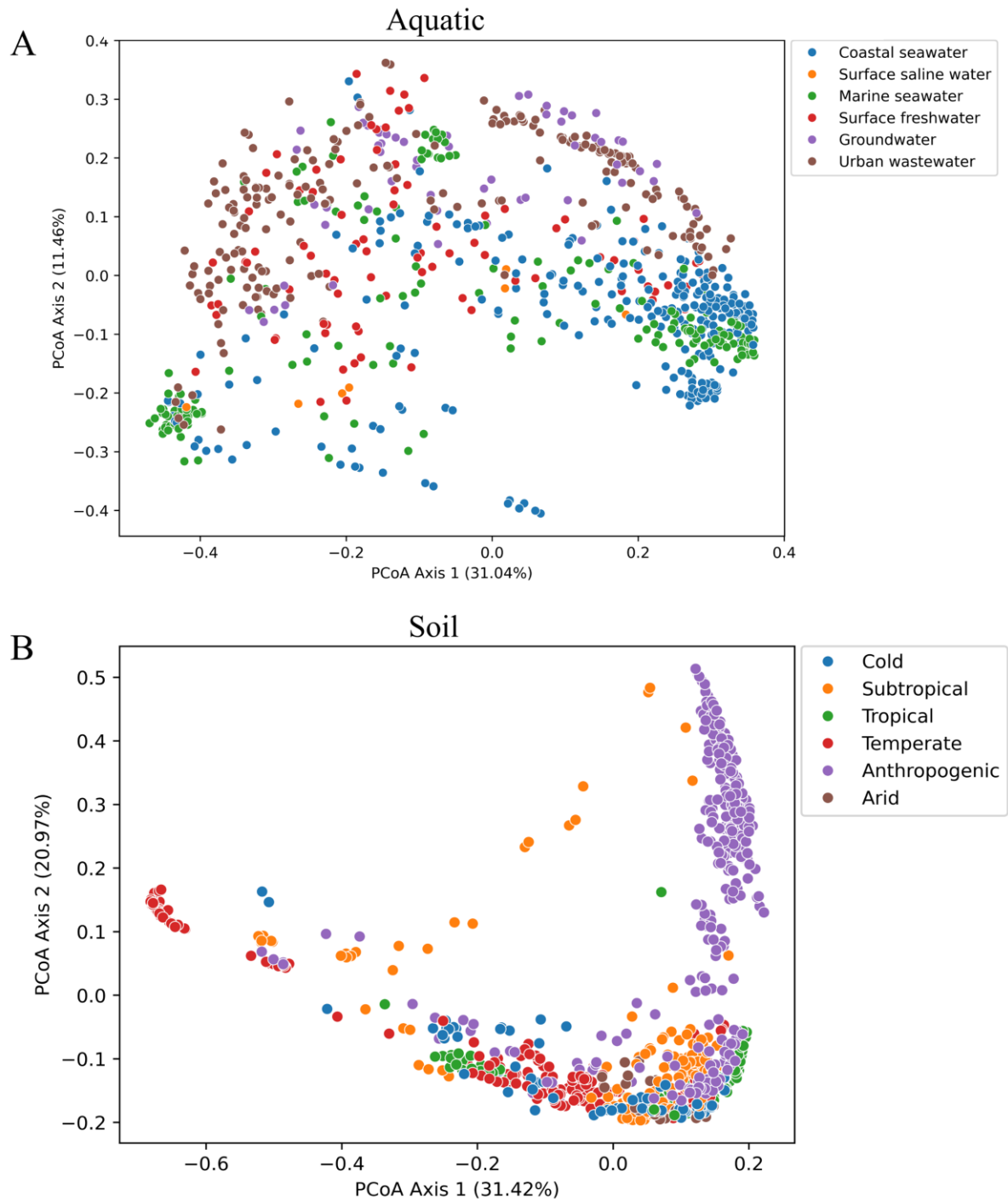


Figure 12. Principal Coordinate Analysis (PCoA) of ARGs in aquatic and soil biomes. (A) Aquatic Biomes: PCoA plot based on Bray-Curtis dissimilarity of ARG profiles in aquatic environments explains 31.04% of the variation on Axis 1 and 11.46% on Axis 2. (B) Soil Biomes: PCoA of soil biomes explains 31.42% of variation on Axis 1 and 20.97% on Axis 2.

The combined PCoA plot of ARG profiles for both soil and aquatic biomes (Figure 13) further underscores the distinct patterns of ARG diversity across these environments. Soil samples formed well-defined clusters along the PCoA axes, reflecting a more homogeneous resistome structure. Aquatic samples, by contrast, exhibited broader dispersion along the PCoA axes, highlighting the greater variability in ARG composition in these environments. Overall, the distinct separation between soil and aquatic ARG profiles in the PCoA plot emphasizes how different ecological pressures influence resistome compositions in these two environments, with soil biomes tending to support more stable and uniform ARG profiles, while aquatic biomes are characterized by greater variability.

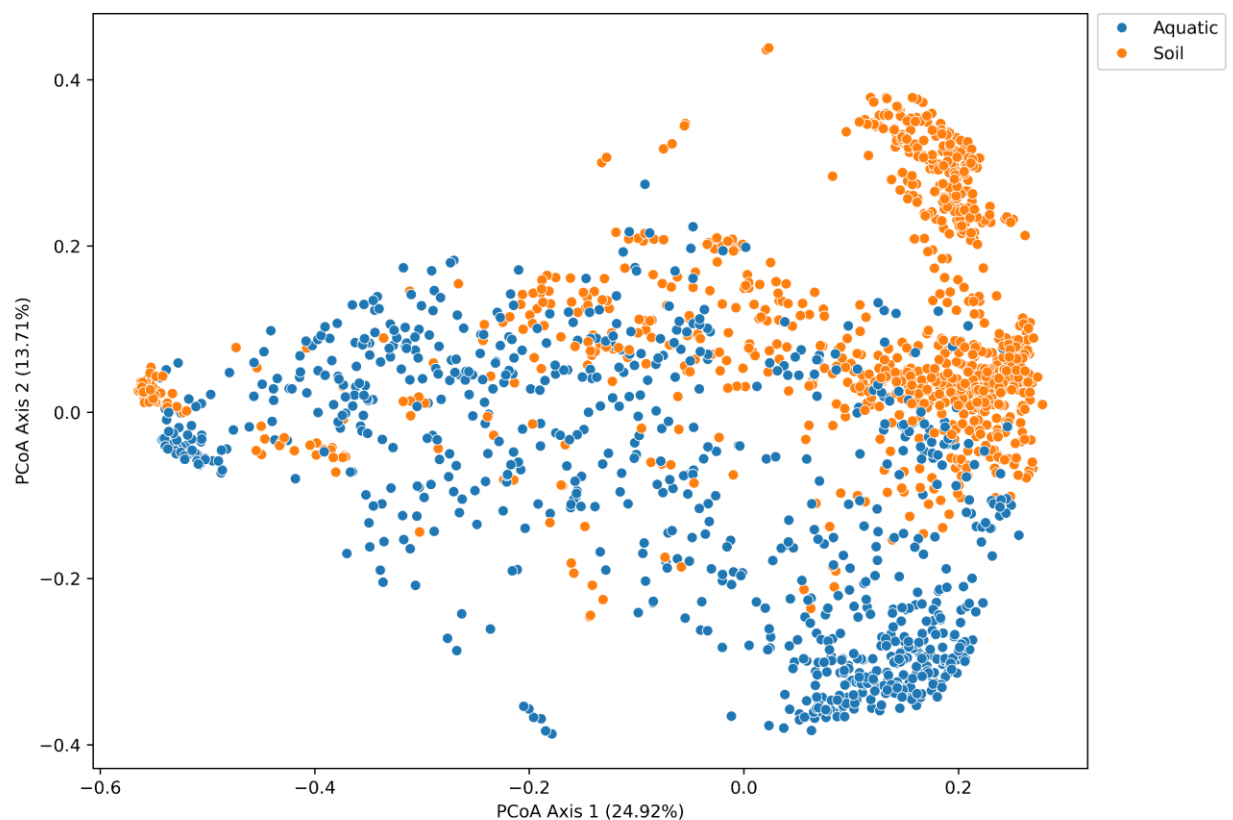


Figure 13. **Comparative PCoA of ARG profiles in aquatic and soil biomes.** PCoA plot based on Bray-Curtis dissimilarity of ARG profiles (log-transformed) in soil (orange) and aquatic (blue) environments, illustrating distinct resistome compositions. The first two axes explain 24.92% and 13.74% of the variation, respectively.

4.1.8 Partial least squares correlation analysis

A partial least squares correlation (PLSC) analysis was conducted to assess the relationship between microbial species abundance and ARG diversity. In aquatic environments, the PLSC confirmed a positive correlation ($r = 0.6936$, $p < 0.001$) (Figure 14A, B), indicating that environments with higher microbial species diversity tend to harbour a broader range of resistance genes. Similarly, in soil environments, a significant but weaker correlation was observed between microbial species abundance and ARG diversity ($r = 0.6423$, $p < 0.001$) (Figure 15A, B).

Outliers in both environments reveal the complexity of the relationship between microbial and ARG diversity. In aquatic biomes, coastal seawater emerged as an outlier, where high microbial diversity did not correspond to high ARG diversity (Figure 2A;10A). This indicates that factors other than microbial abundance, such as specific selective pressures or the composition of microbial communities, may shape ARG profiles more strongly in certain environments. In contrast, anthropogenic soils in terrestrial biomes exhibited the opposite pattern, with low microbial diversity but high ARG diversity (Figure 2B;10B).

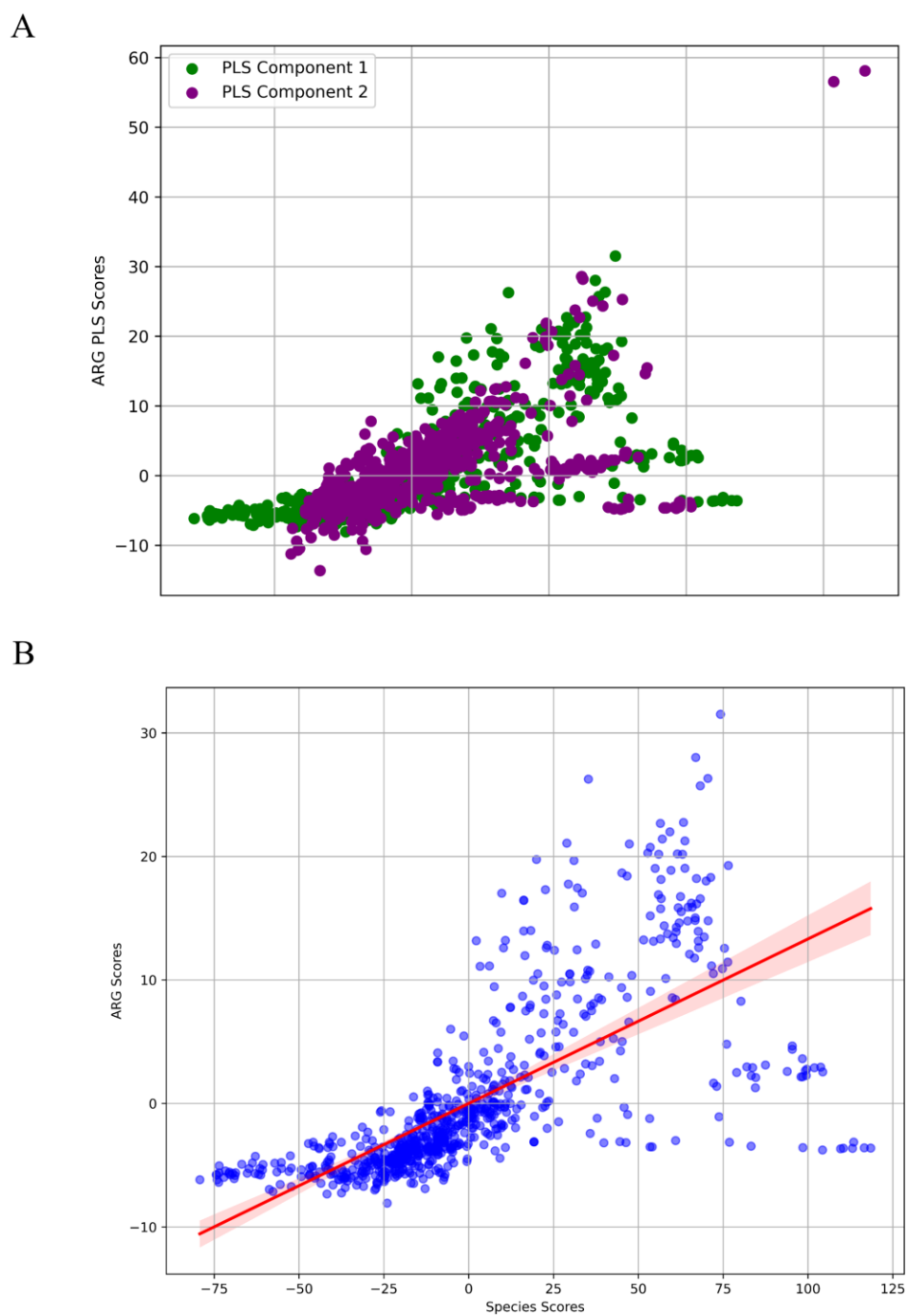
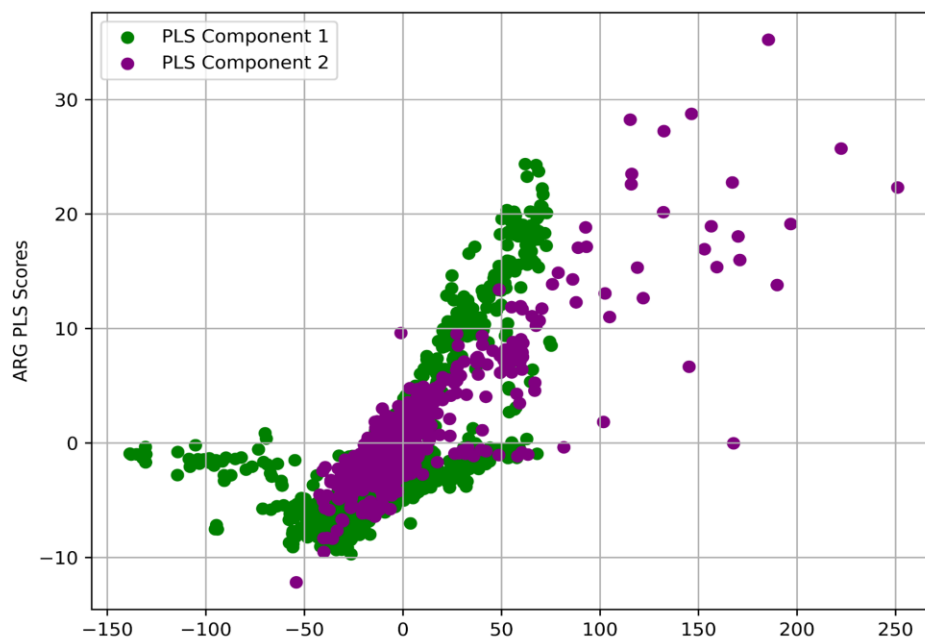


Figure 14. (A) **PLSC of species vs. ARG abundances in aquatic biomes.** The PLS scores are shown in purple and green respectively. (B) Regression plot demonstrating the positive linear relationship between microbial species diversity and ARG scores with a 95% confidence interval.

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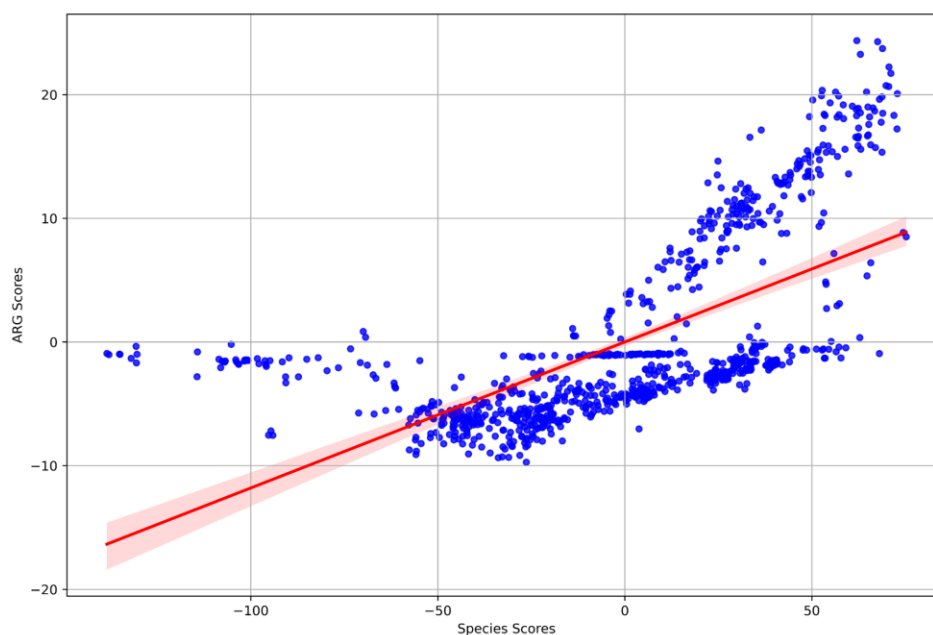


Figure 15. (A) **PLSC of Species vs. ARG Abundances in Soil Biomes.** The PLS scores are shown in purple and green respectively. (B) Regression plot demonstrating the positive linear relationship between microbial species diversity and ARG scores with a 95% confidence interval.

4.1.9 Core and accessory resistomes in aquatic and soil biomes

The core resistome consists of ARGs that are pervasive across samples within an environment, reflecting a baseline level of resistance that is consistently present (D'Costa *et al.*, 2006). In contrast, the accessory resistome includes ARGs with more variable distributions and abundances, often reflecting emerging resistance mechanisms or localised contaminations driven by dynamic environmental or anthropogenic influences (D'Costa *et al.*, 2006; Kim & Cha, 2021).

4.1.10 Core resistome analysis in aquatic and soil biomes

The core resistome was determined by a binomial test with adjusted p-values below 0.05 to identify those ARGs that were significantly abundant across samples. Rather than requiring a presence in all samples, a statistical threshold was set, identifying ARGs that occur in a high proportion of samples. This approach ensures that the core resistome reflects genes that are persistently present across samples at a frequency higher than expected by chance.

In aquatic environments, the core resistome comprised 113 ARGs (Figures 16, 17), with multidrug resistance (MDR) genes being the most abundant (40 genes). The *mexF* and *mexW* genes were present in 91.9% and 90.7% of samples respectively. The *ompR* gene appeared in 90.5% of aquatic metagenomes.

Tetracycline resistance genes *tetP* and *otrA* were represented in 91.9% and 90.5% of aquatic metagenomes respectively. The *macB* gene occurred in 97.3% of aquatic samples, while *mupA* was detected in 92.4% of samples.

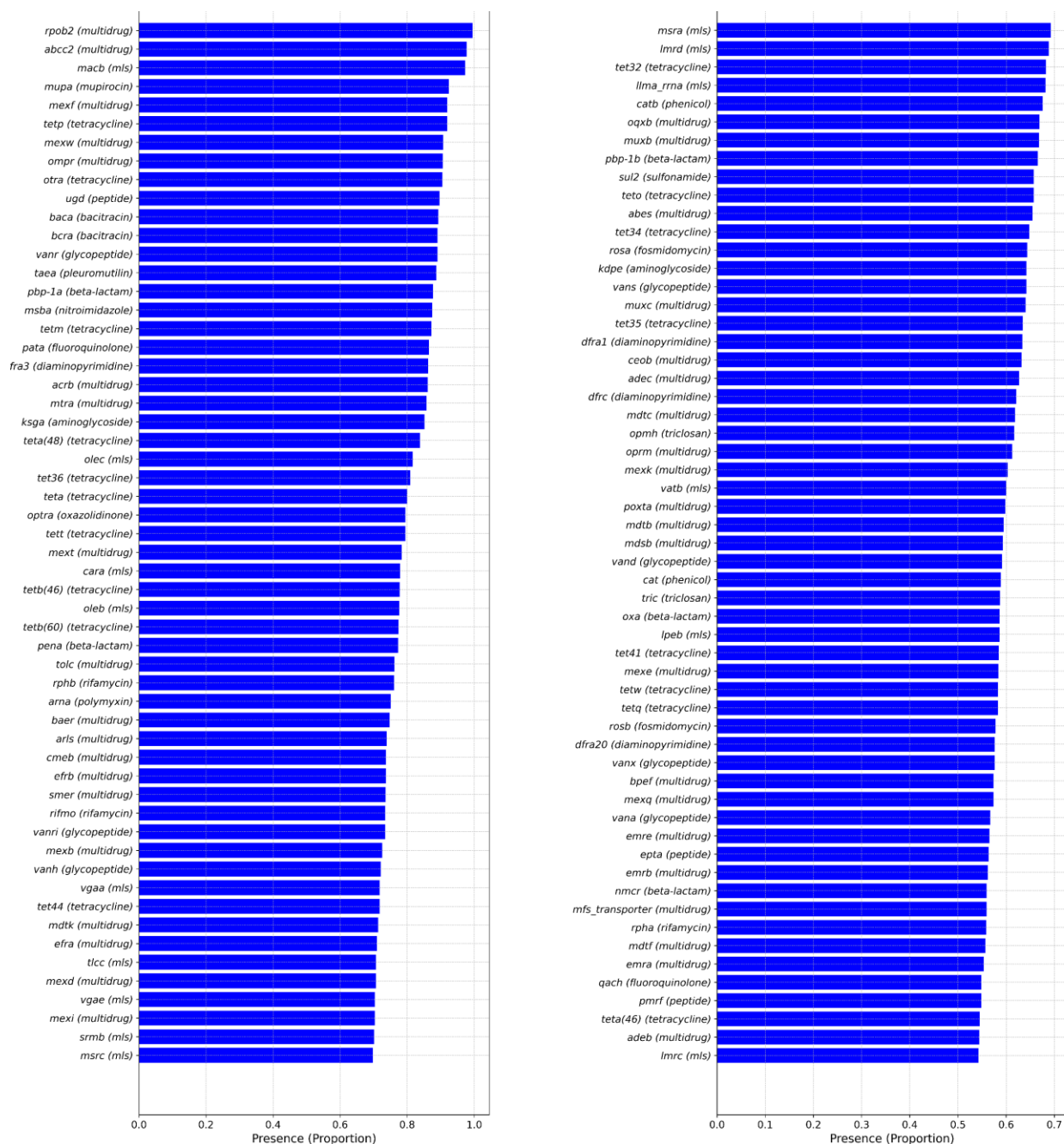


Figure 16. **The proportion of the core ARGs in the aquatic biome.** The proportion of aquatic core ARGs (n=113) is displayed across two bar plots, arranged in descending order of abundance from left to right. Core ARGs are defined based on a statistically significant presence across samples, identified through a binomial test with adjusted p-values below 0.05, rather than by arbitrary thresholds of occurrence.

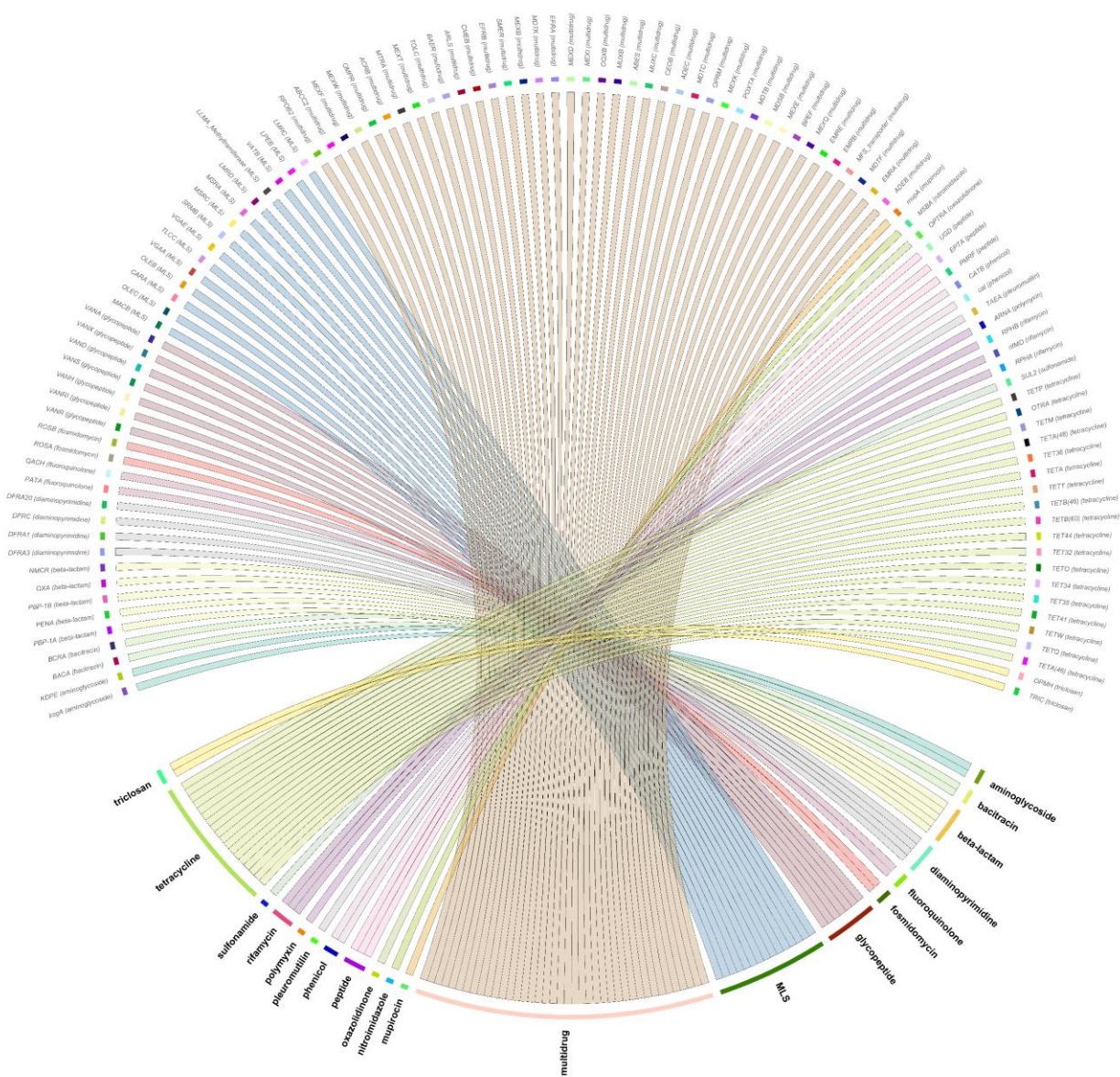


Figure 17. **The core resistome of aquatic biomes.** Chord diagram depicting the distribution of core aquatic ARGs (n=113) across 20 different resistance classes

In soil environments, the core resistome contained 179 ARGs (Figures 18, 19), with MDR genes being the most abundant (73 genes). The efflux pump genes *mexF* and *mexW* appeared in more than 97% of soil samples. The soil core resistome included thirteen beta-lactam resistance genes, with *pbp-1a* and *oxa* showing a mean presence of 71.6% across soil samples. Twenty-seven

tetracycline resistance genes were identified with a mean presence of 72.5%. The *vanR* gene showed high prevalence, while *rosA* and *bacA* appeared in 98.8% of soil samples.

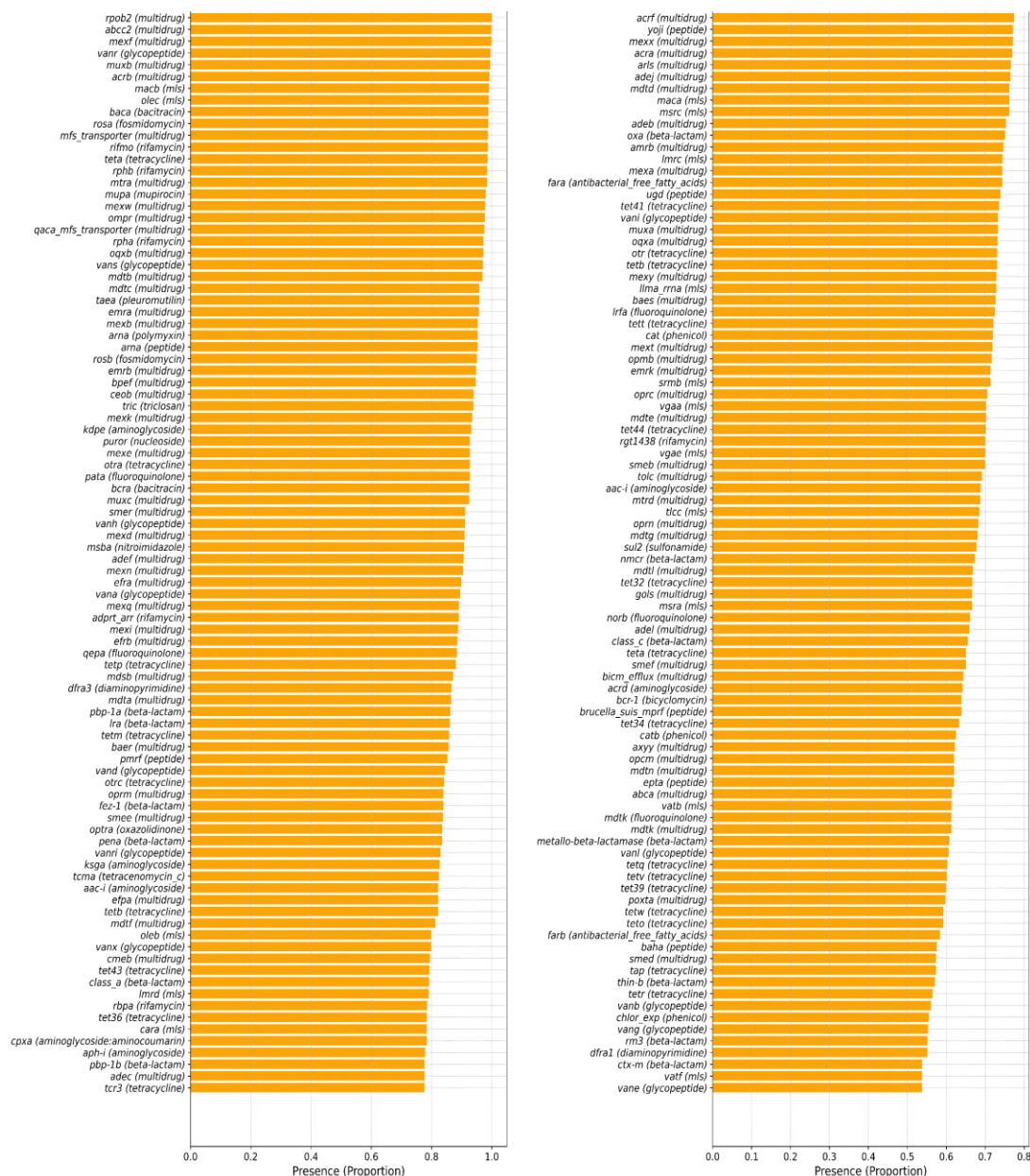


Figure 18. **The proportion of the core ARGs in the soil biome.** The proportion of soil core ARGs (n=179) is displayed across two bar plots, arranged in descending order of abundance from left to right. Core ARGs are defined based on a statistically significant presence across samples, identified through a binomial test with adjusted p-values below 0.05, rather than by arbitrary thresholds of occurrence.

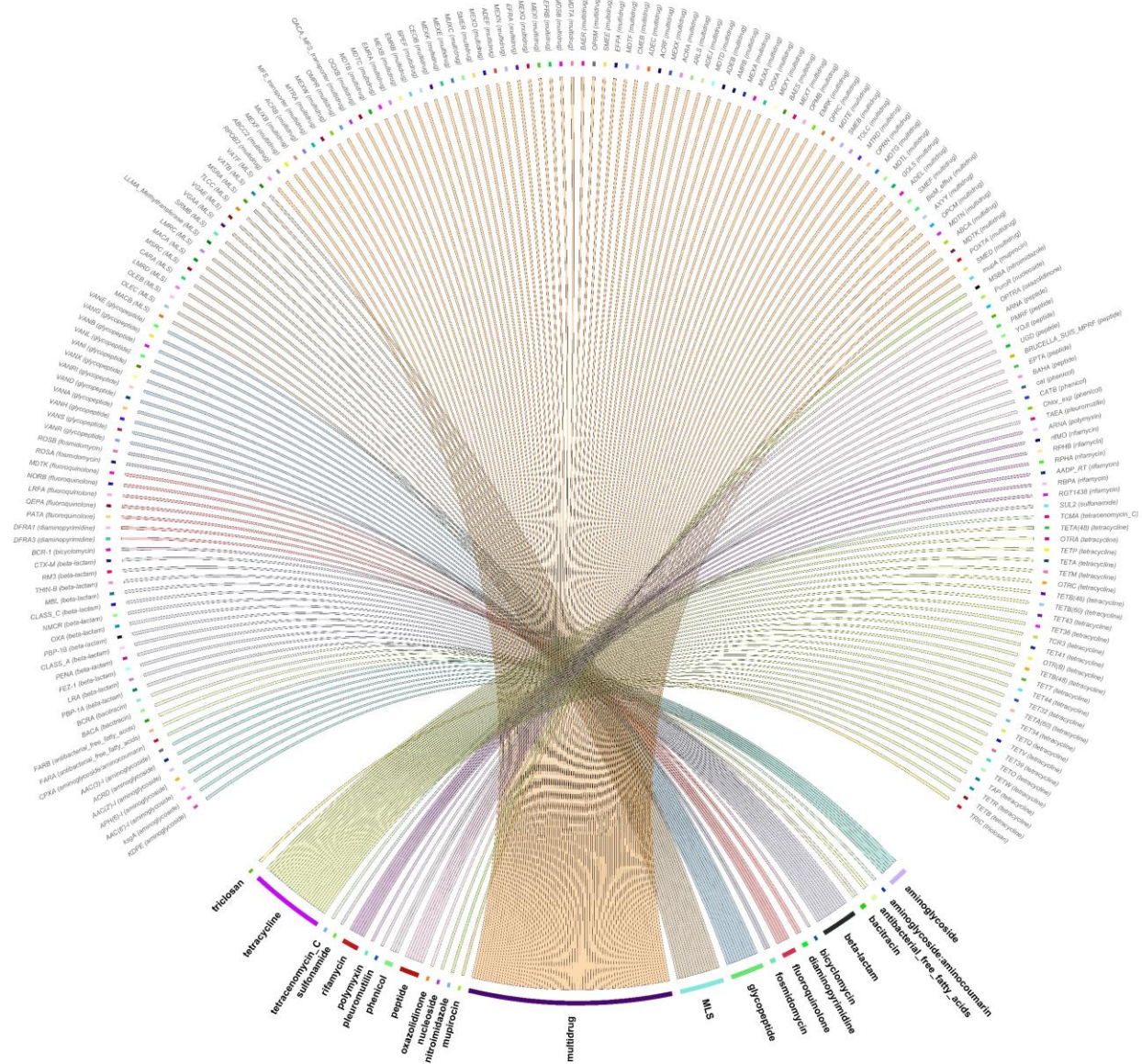
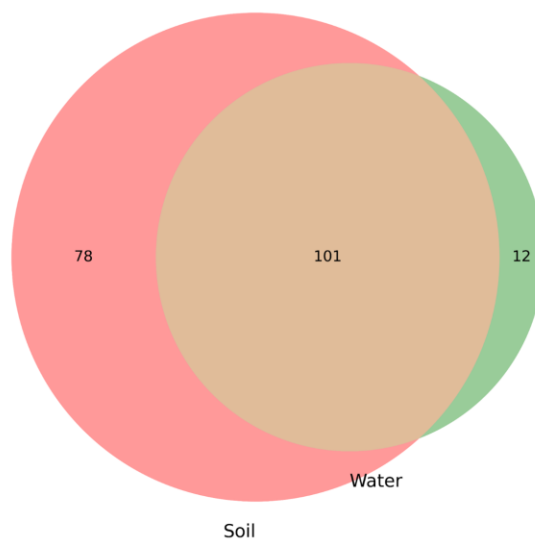


Figure 19. **The core resistome of the soil biome.** Chord diagram depicting the distribution of core ARGs (n=179) across 24 different resistance classes.

Comparative analysis revealed that the soil core resistome (179 ARGs) was 58.40% larger than the aquatic core resistome (113 ARGs) (Figure 20A). The environments shared 101 core ARGs, representing 52.88% of combined core resistomes. Soil environments contained 78 unique core

ARGs (40.83%), while aquatic environments had twelve unique core ARGs (6.28%). The differential abundance analysis (Figure 20B) mapped ARGs unique to each environment across resistance classes.

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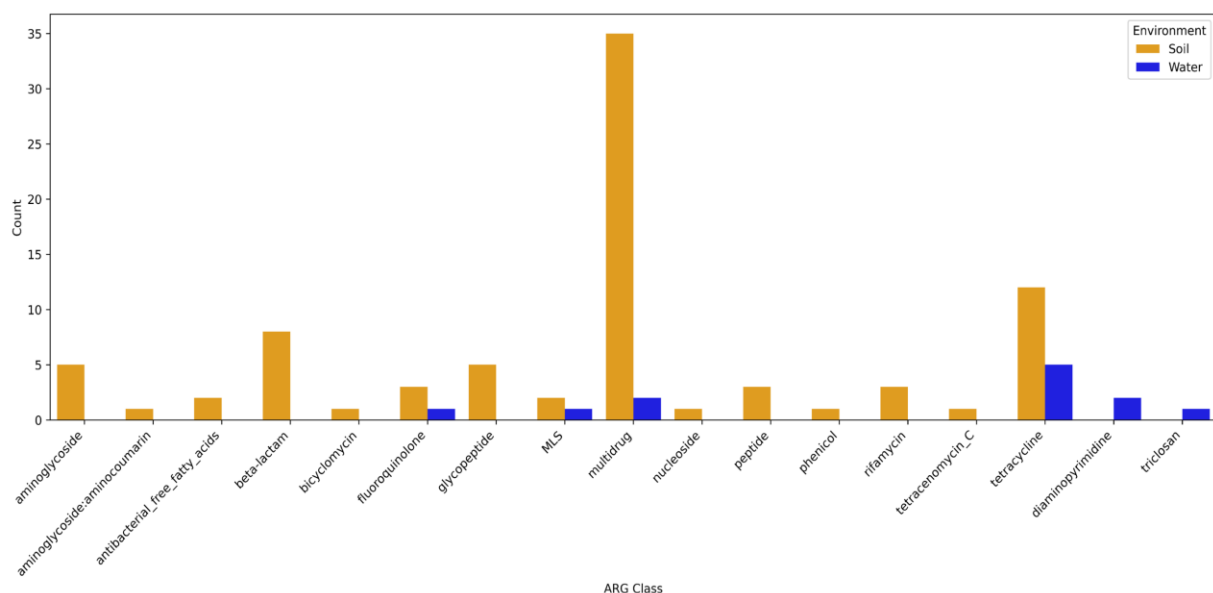


Figure 20. Comparative analysis of core ARGs in soil and aquatic biomes. (A) Venn diagram illustrating the number of core ARGs shared between and unique to soil and aquatic environments. Core ARGs are defined as those that are statistically pervasive across samples, determined by a binomial test with an adjusted p-value threshold of 0.05. These core genes represent baseline resistance present across a majority of samples in each environment. (B) Bar plot showing the distribution of ARGs that are unique to either soil or aquatic metagenomes. The presence of both orange and blue bars for certain classes, such as MDR, indicates that some genes in this class are unique to soil, while others are unique to aquatic environments.

4.1.11 The accessory resistome in soil and aquatic environments

The accessory resistome was identified by filtering out core ARGs from both soil and aquatic settings. The aquatic accessory resistome comprised 620 ARGs. Multidrug resistance genes showed the highest prevalence, present in 33.2% of aquatic metagenomes (Figure 21, 22). Beta-lactam resistance genes were the second most prevalent, appearing in 12.7% of aquatic metagenomes. Macrolide-lincosamide-streptogramin (MLS) resistance and tetracycline resistance genes appeared in 11.3% and 8.6% of samples respectively. Glycopeptide resistance and aminoglycoside resistance genes showed lower prevalence at 6.5% and 6.3%.

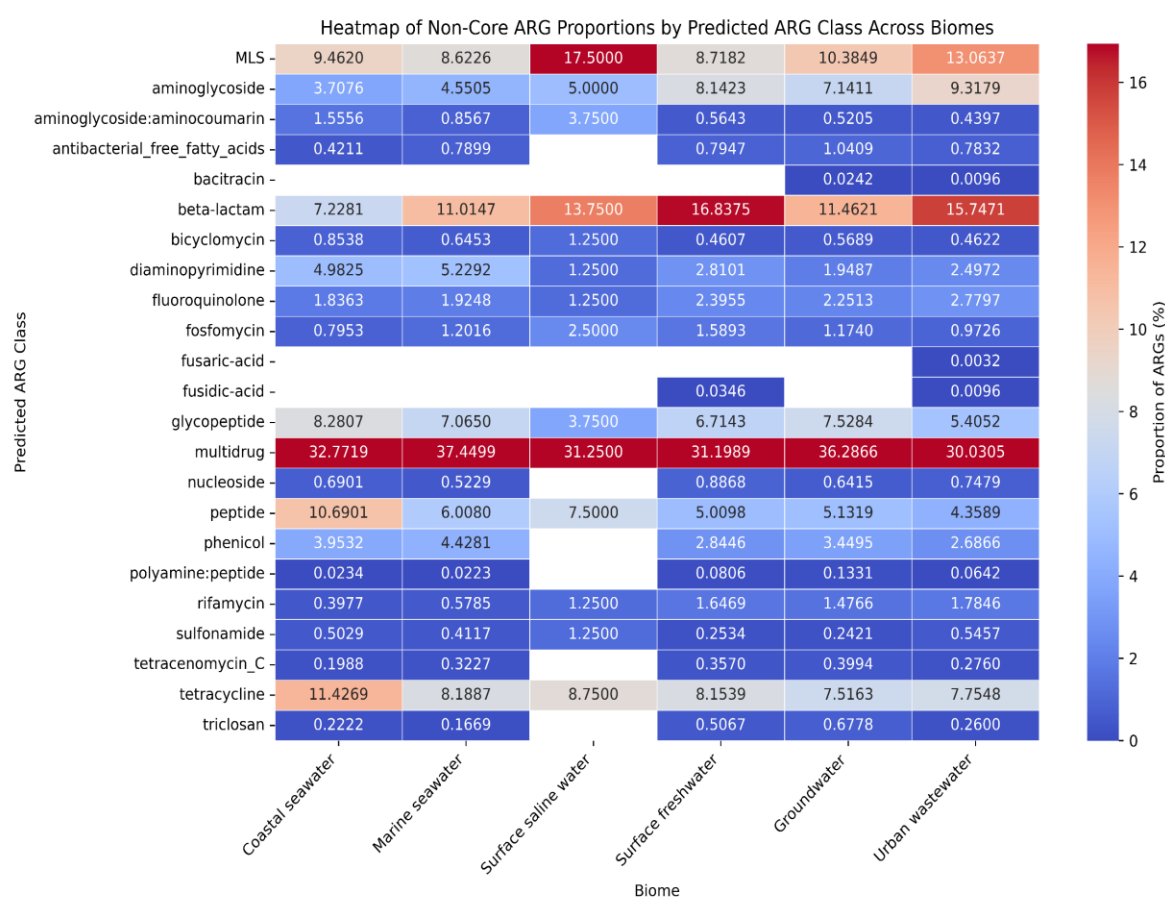


Figure 21. **Heatmap illustrating the normalised proportions of accessory ARG classes across aquatic biomes.** The heatmap highlights variations in the distribution of ARG classes within the accessory resistome across different environments.

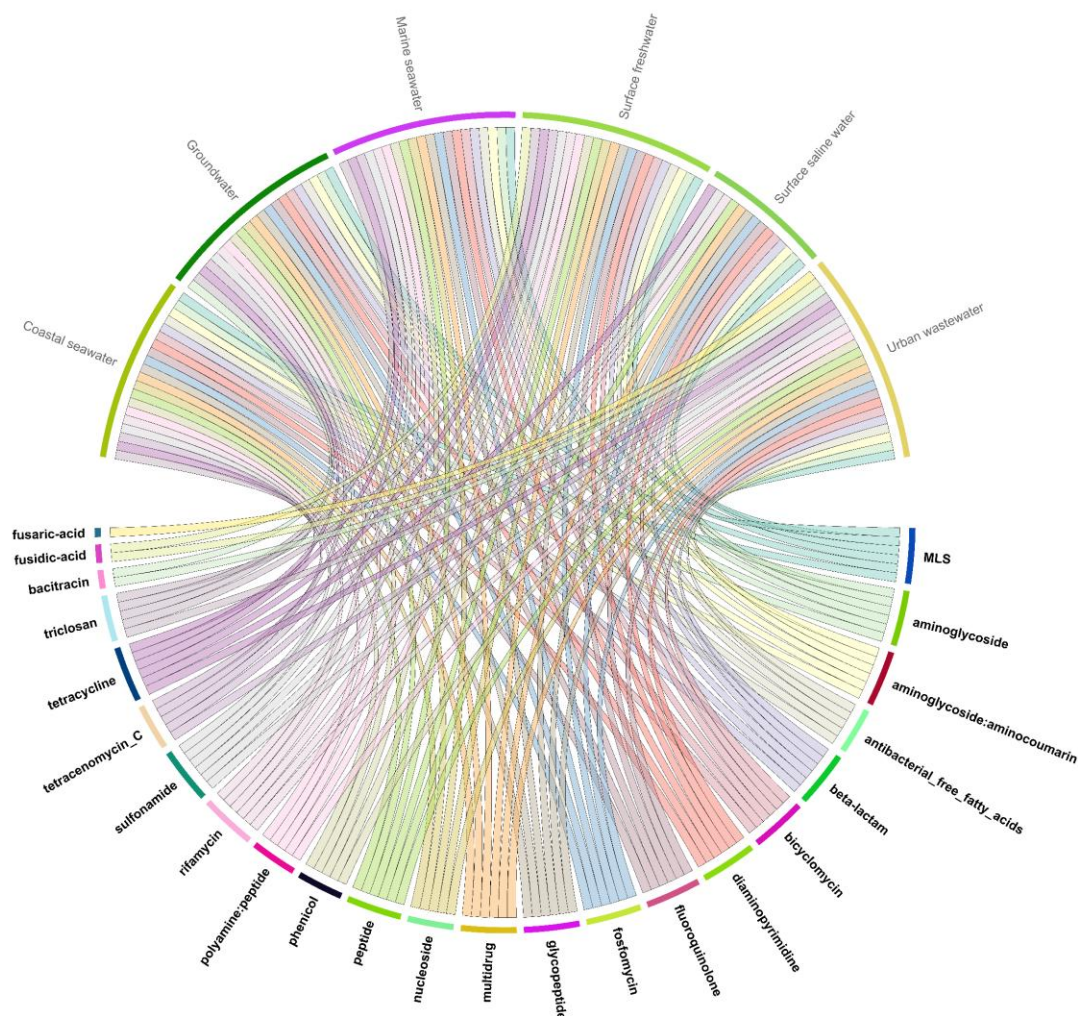


Figure 22. **Chord diagram demonstrating the distribution of the accessory resistome across aquatic biomes.** The diagram visually connects ARG classes to their respective biomes, emphasising the shared and distinct resistome patterns across environments.

The soil accessory resistome contained 542 genes. MDR genes appeared in 22.3% of soil metagenomes (Figure 23, 24), with the highest prevalence in anthropogenic soils at 28.95%. Beta-lactam resistance genes occurred in 16.9% of samples, while MLS resistance and aminoglycoside resistance genes appeared in 13.9% and 13.1% of samples respectively. Tetracycline resistance and fluoroquinolone resistance genes showed lower prevalence at 5.6% and 3.2%.

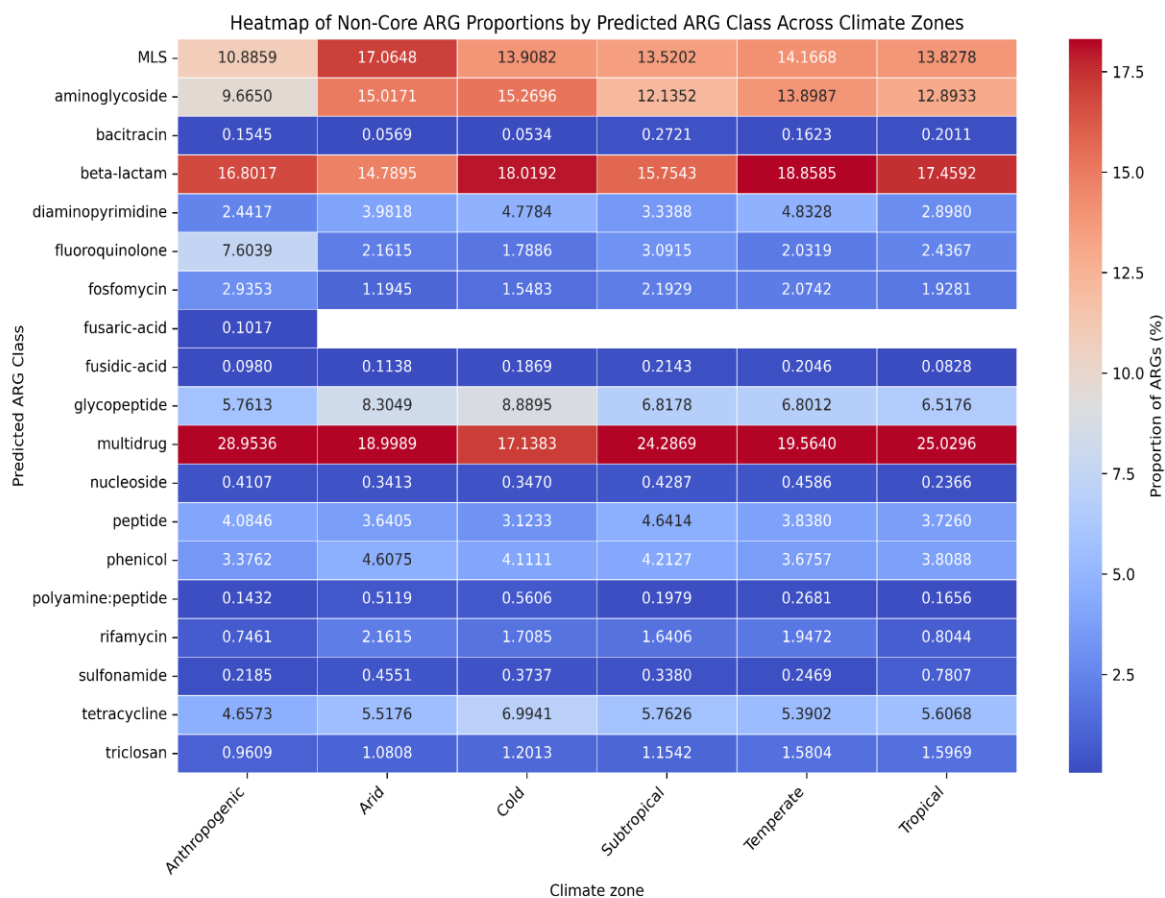


Figure 23. **Heatmap illustrating the normalised proportions of accessory ARG classes across soil biomes.** The heatmap highlights variations in the distribution of ARG classes within the accessory resistome across different environments.

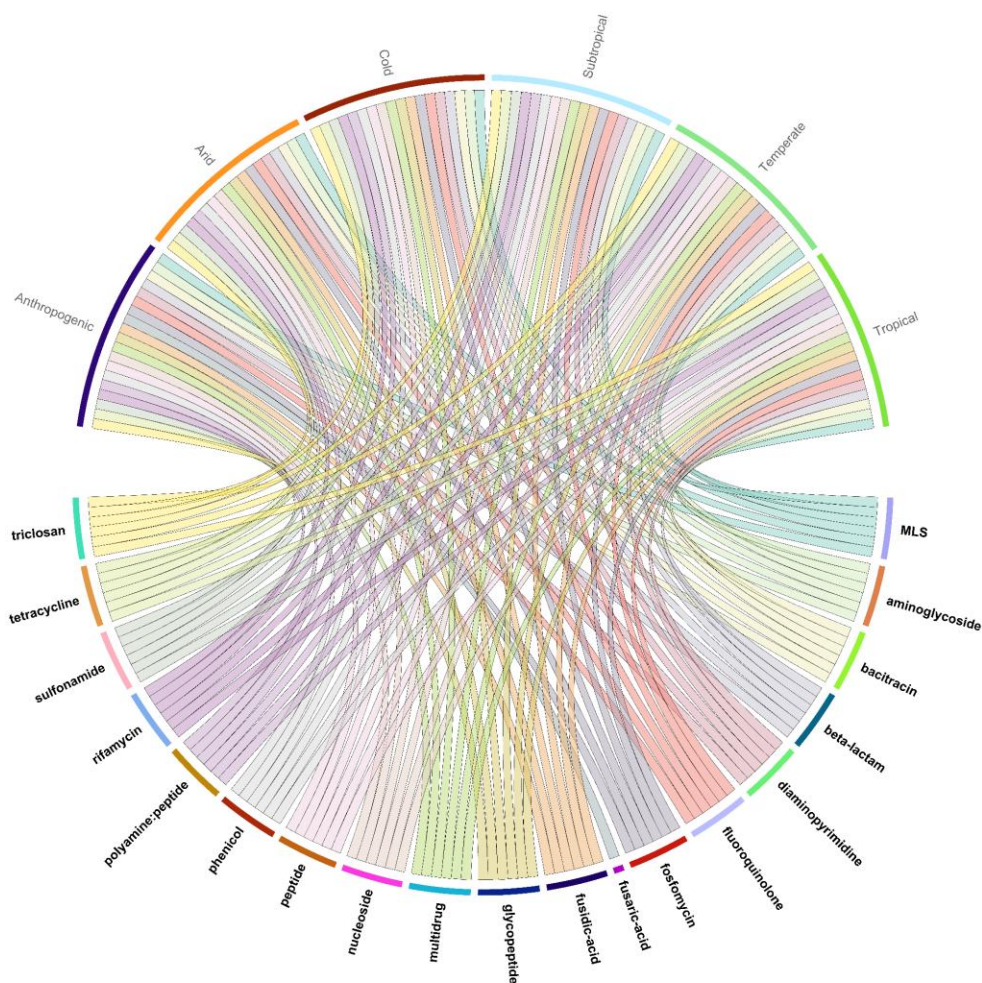


Figure 24. **Chord diagram demonstrating the distribution of the accessory resistome across soil biomes.** The diagram visually connects ARG classes to their respective biomes, emphasising the shared and distinct resistome patterns across environments.

Across both aquatic and soil environments, a consistent trend is observed: ARG classes abundant in the core resistome, such as multidrug resistance, beta-lactam resistance, MLS resistance and tetracycline resistance are similarly prevalent in the accessory resistome. This overlap suggests that the pressures driving core resistance also shape the accessory resistome, where the accessory resistome captures more localised or emerging resistance trends.

4.2 Discussion

4.2.1 Introduction to study findings

This study analysed 1,758 metagenomes to assess microbial species and ARG diversity across global soil and aquatic environments. Substantial differences were found between biomes, largely influenced by environmental factors and human activities. For instance, urban wastewater exhibited the highest diversity in aquatic settings (Figure 2A), with anthropogenic soils displaying elevated ARG diversity (Figure 10B). These findings underscore the complex dynamics of microbial and ARG diversity across different environments and, ultimately, the need for more judicious antimicrobial stewardship at a global level.

4.2.2 Diversity and drivers of microbial communities and antimicrobial resistance genes in aquatic environments

Urban wastewater showed the highest microbial species diversity across the aquatic metagenomes, characterised by a notably narrow interquartile range indicating consistent community structure. This can be attributed to the extensive influx of microorganisms from various human activities, particularly in wastewater treatment plants (WWTPs) (Pillay *et al.*, 2022). WWTPs receive a constant input of bacteria from domestic and industrial sources, including wastewater derived from hospitals, which increases the diversity of microbial species present (Khan *et al.*, 2021). The constant influx of nutrients and contaminants creates diverse niches that support this rich microbial community (Rizzo *et al.*, 2013). The selective pressures exerted by antibiotic residues and resistant bacteria within WWTPs contribute to the contamination of downstream environments, such as freshwater ecosystems and coastal areas (Rizzo *et al.*, 2013). The selective pressures from antibiotics and other contaminants have been shown to encourage the emergence and proliferation of resistant strains, leading to high ARG diversity (Qin *et al.*, 2020).

In addition to hosting high microbial diversity, urban wastewater is also a major reservoir of ARGs. This reflects the role of WWTPs as hotspots for ARG accumulation and potential dissemination (Pazda *et al.*, 2019; Qin *et al.*, 2020). These processes highlight the interconnectedness between urban wastewater, groundwater, and surface freshwater systems (Hemamalini *et al.*, 2022), where shared microbial community composition and ARG profiles pose risks to environmental and human health. This interconnection is particularly evident in the PCoA analysis (Figure 4A), where

these biomes cluster together, suggesting shared contamination sources and similar selective pressures. The major influence of WWTPs on downstream ecosystems highlights the need for improved wastewater management practices to mitigate the spread of antibiotic resistance (Rizzo *et al.*, 2013).

In contrast, coastal and marine environments, despite having high microbial diversity, show lower ARG diversity. This suggests that factors other than microbial diversity, such as salinity, temperature, and nutrient content, play important roles in shaping the resistome (Shu & Huang, 2022). Salinity, for instance, can act as a selective pressure, favouring microbial taxa adapted to saline conditions and concomitantly their inherent ARGs (Tan *et al.*, 2019). The distinct clustering of marine and coastal samples in the PCoA analysis (Figure 4A) reflects their unique ecological characteristics, shaped by oceanic conditions that create specialised niches for microbial communities (Zi *et al.*, 2024). Additionally, the lower human impact in these areas compared to urban wastewater settings might contribute to the reduced ARG diversity (Basili *et al.*, 2021).

Groundwater environments demonstrated considerable variability in microbial diversity, as evidenced by their broader interquartile range. This variability likely results from differences in groundwater depth, flow patterns, and nutrient availability, which collectively influence microbial community structure (Jiang *et al.*, 2021). The dynamic nature of these environments contributes to less stable but still diverse microbial communities, reflecting the complex interplay between physical and chemical factors in shaping microbial populations.

The correlation between microbial species abundance and ARG abundance ($r = 0.6936$, $p < 0.001$) observed in aquatic environments indicates that microbial community structure significantly influences ARG profiles (Figure 14). This coupling is supported by the PLSC model, which shows clear clusters corresponding to varying ARG levels across species. However, the decoupling observed in coastal seawater, where high microbial diversity does not correspond to high ARG diversity, suggests that environmental factors unique to marine settings might limit the spread and maintenance of ARGs (Shu & Huang, 2022).

The PCoA analyses further highlight the distinct patterns of microbial communities and ARG profiles across aquatic biomes. The clustering of freshwater biomes with urban wastewater suggests a major impact of human activities on these environments (Hutinel *et al.*, 2021), while the distinct clustering of marine and coastal seawater indicate unique resistome signatures shaped

by oceanic conditions (Shu & Huang, 2022). The higher percentage of variance captured in the ARG-based PCoA compared to the microbial community PCoA suggests that ARG profiles are shaped by more uniform selective pressures, whereas microbial communities are influenced by a wider range of environmental factors (Shu & Huang, 2022). This could be due to the widespread use of antibiotics and the resulting selection for resistance, leading to more consistent ARG profiles across different environments (Czekalski *et al.*, 2015). Furthermore, microbial interactions such as horizontal gene transfer, which plays a crucial role in the dissemination of ARGs, likely contribute to the distinct resistome compositions observed (Hutinel *et al.*, 2021).

4.2.3 Diversity and drivers of microbial communities and antimicrobial resistance genes in soil environments

Soil environments exhibit diverse microbial communities influenced by various factors such as temperature, moisture, organic matter, and human activities (Li *et al.*, 2018; Yang Y *et al.*, 2023). Markedly, the highest microbial diversity was observed in cold environments (mean Shannon index: 5.63) (Figure 2B), despite thermal conditions that typically limit biodiversity (Margesin & Collins, 2019). The uniformity in diversity across cold soil samples, evidenced by their compact interquartile range, suggests that microbial communities in these environments maintain stable populations despite harsh conditions. Cold environments typically present harsh conditions, including low temperatures and limited nutrient availability, which generally impose major stress on microorganisms (Margesin & Collins, 2019). To survive, microorganisms in these environments have evolved specialised adaptations, such as flexible enzyme structures and efficient nutrient uptake mechanisms, allowing them to persist under these constraints (D'Amico *et al.*, 2006; Margesin & Collins, 2019). Furthermore, the limited anthropogenic interference in these regions, such as reduced urbanisation and soil compaction, likely prevents disruptions that commonly reduce microbial diversity (Kumari *et al.*, 2024). These environments exhibited relatively low ARG diversity (mean Shannon index: 4.05), likely due to the reduced human activity and lower selective pressures, limiting the spread and proliferation of ARGs (Bachran *et al.*, 2019; Vásquez-Dean *et al.*, 2020).

Tropical and subtropical soils displayed high microbial diversity (mean Shannon indices: 5.55 and 5.54, respectively) (Figure 2B). These biomes provide complex and heterogeneous habitats due to their stable temperatures, high humidity and abundant resources, which create numerous

ecological niches (Zeng *et al.*, 2022; Yang N *et al.*, 2023). This environmental heterogeneity supports diverse microbial communities with various metabolic capabilities, allowing them to thrive (Zeng *et al.*, 2022; Yang N *et al.*, 2023). The stable environmental conditions in these regions contribute to the relatively narrow interquartile range observed in the Shannon diversity analysis, indicating consistent microbial community structures. Additionally, substantial plant diversity in these regions drives high microbial diversity (Xu *et al.*, 2023). Tropical and subtropical environments further exhibited high ARG diversity (mean Shannon indices: 4.84 and 5.12, respectively), possibly influenced by rich microbial diversity. Furthermore, agricultural activities in temperate, tropical and subtropical climates, may also introduce antibiotics and pollutants, creating selective pressures that drive ARG proliferation (Stiborova *et al.*, 2021; Cappelli *et al.*, 2022; Delgado-Baquerizo *et al.*, 2022).

Anthropogenic soils, such as those impacted by urbanisation and agriculture, exhibited the lowest microbial diversity, with a mean Shannon index of 4.92. This decrease is largely due to habitat disturbance, homogenisation, and the introduction of pollutants and chemical inputs, which alter natural soil structure and microbial habitats (Osburn *et al.*, 2023). Human activities often lead to soil compaction, reduced organic matter, and changes in pH. Collectively, these factors negatively impact the diversity of microbial communities (Osburn *et al.*, 2023; Kumari *et al.*, 2024). Frequent disturbances and reduced habitat heterogeneity further accelerate the decline in microbial diversity (Osburn *et al.*, 2023). These findings highlight the important impact of human activities on soil microbial communities and underscore the need for sustainable practices to preserve soil biodiversity (Dixit *et al.*, 2024). Despite the low microbial diversity, anthropogenic soils exhibited the highest ARG diversity (mean Shannon index: 5.71) (Figure 10B). This shift underscores the impact of human activities on ARG dissemination. Practices such as the application of manure and wastewater sludge as fertilisers coupled with heavy antibiotic use in agriculture introduce ideal conditions for the introduction and proliferation of ARGs in soil, enriching the resistome (Stiborova *et al.*, 2021). This finding highlights the critical role of anthropogenic activities in driving ARG proliferation in soil environments (Stiborova *et al.*, 2021).

Notably, arid soil environments showed the lowest ARG diversity (mean Shannon index: 3.15), despite relatively high microbial diversity. The narrow interquartile range in the Shannon diversity analysis suggests highly uniform microbial communities, likely adapted to the extreme

environmental stressors. This phenomenon can be attributed to limited water availability and lower organic matter content in arid soils, which likely restrict the spread and proliferation of ARGs (Bachran *et al.*, 2019; Vásquez-Dean *et al.*, 2020). Moisture is a critical factor in the distribution and abundance of ARGs (Kittredge *et al.*, 2022). In moist conditions, microbial cells are more likely to encounter each other and exchange genetic material, thereby increasing the spread of ARGs (Kittredge *et al.*, 2022; Suganya *et al.*, 2023). In dry, arid soils, the physical separation of microbial cells and the reduced mobility of genetic elements likely limit these interactions and consequently the spread of ARGs (Kittredge *et al.*, 2022; Suganya *et al.*, 2023). Furthermore, the scarcity of organic matter reduces microbial activity and the maintenance of ARGs within microbial communities (Delgado-Baquerizo *et al.*, 2022). These findings underscore the key roles that environmental conditions, such as moisture and nutrient availability, play in shaping ARG diversity in soils.

The positive linear correlation ($r = 0.6423$, $p < 0.001$) between microbial species abundance and ARG abundance suggests that soil microbial community structure plays a crucial role in shaping ARG profiles (Figure 15). This correlation is consistent with previous studies showing that diverse microbial communities can harbour a wide range of ARGs (Lu *et al.*, 2022). However, the high ARG diversity in anthropogenic soils despite low microbial diversity suggests that selective pressures from human activities, such as antibiotic use and pollution, play a more prominent role than microbial species richness in driving ARG dissemination in these environments (Stiborova *et al.*, 2021).

The PCoA analyses revealed distinct patterns of microbial communities and ARG profiles across soil biomes (Figure 4B). In the microbial species analysis, anthropogenic samples formed a well-defined and tightly clustered group, likely shaped by consistent human-driven selective pressures, whereas cold biomes displayed more dispersed and heterogeneous microbial community compositions. The considerable overlap between tropical and subtropical biomes suggests closer microbial community relationships, possibly due to similar environmental conditions (Zeng *et al.*, 2022; Yang N *et al.*, 2023). The tighter clustering observed in the ARG-based PCoA, compared to the microbial community PCoA, suggests that ARG profiles are shaped by more uniform and targeted selective pressures, specifically the presence of antibiotics. While microbial communities are shaped by a broad range of environmental factors (Osburn *et al.*, 2023), antibiotics selectively

exert pressure on specific resistance genes, leading to more consistent ARG profiles across environments. In contrast, microbial species diversity is influenced by multiple factors beyond antibiotic presence, resulting in greater variability in community composition across different settings (Czekalski *et al.*, 2015; Delgado-Baquerizo *et al.*, 2022). The higher percentage of variance captured in the ARG-based PCoA (52.39%) compared to the microbial community PCoA (25.27%) supports this, indicating that factors such as antibiotic use and horizontal gene transfer have a more pronounced effect on ARGs than on overall microbial diversity (Hutinel *et al.*, 2021; Zeng *et al.*, 2022).

4.2.4 Contrasting diversity and composition of microbial species and antimicrobial resistance genes in soil and aquatic biomes

The diversity and composition of microbial species and ARG profiles in soil and aquatic environments are shaped by distinct environmental conditions and anthropogenic pressures (Cycoń *et al.*, 2019; Checcucci *et al.*, 2020). Both biomes exhibit similarly high microbial species diversity, as indicated by the Shannon Diversity Index (soil: 5.409, water: 5.410) (Figure 3), despite the vastly different environmental conditions that characterise them.

In soils, microbial diversity is driven by factors such as organic matter content, moisture, and land-use practices such as agriculture and urbanisation (Delgado-Baquerizo *et al.*, 2022). The complex structure of soil creates numerous microhabitats, promoting high microbial diversity (Bach *et al.*, 2018). In contrast, aquatic environments experience dynamic conditions, including fluctuations in water chemistry, temperature, and hydrodynamic forces, which drive the formation of distinct microbial communities in freshwater and marine systems (Stanish *et al.*, 2016; Jiang *et al.*, 2021). Aquatic systems exhibit more variability in microbial composition, which is reflected in the broader clustering patterns observed in the PCoA analyses (Figure 5). These broader clusters indicate the influence of varied environmental conditions and contamination sources, especially in dynamic aquatic ecosystems (Pei *et al.*, 2006; Häder *et al.*, 2020).

In addition to the species-level diversity, the phylum-level analysis revealed distinct compositional patterns that further highlight the structural differences between soil and aquatic microbial communities (Figure 6). This differential distribution at the phylum level represents a fundamental distinction in how these environments maintain their similar species-level diversity. The broader phylum diversity in aquatic environments, coupled with more even distribution of abundant

populations across these phyla, suggests that aquatic ecosystems achieve their species diversity through multiple distinct evolutionary lineages. This strategy may enhance ecosystem resilience by maintaining diverse metabolic capabilities and adaptation potential across different taxonomic groups. In contrast, soil environments achieve comparable species diversity through greater specialisation within a more restricted set of phyla, as evidenced by the network analysis (Figure 7). This pattern suggests that soil environments may favour deeper evolutionary adaptation within successful phylogenetic groups, rather than maintaining diversity across broader taxonomic lines. These contrasting strategies for maintaining species diversity likely reflect the fundamental differences in environmental pressures and resource availability between soil and aquatic systems.

Although both biomes support similar levels of microbial species diversity, soil environments demonstrate higher ARG diversity (Figure 11). This is likely due to the persistent selective pressures in soils, driven by long-term contamination from agriculture, manure application, and antibiotic use, which promote horizontal gene transfer and ARG maintenance (Bach *et al.*, 2018; Checcucci *et al.*, 2020). The heterogeneous structure of soils further facilitates microbial interactions, promoting ARG dissemination (Bach *et al.*, 2018). In contrast, the dynamic nature of aquatic environments, including the dilution and dispersion of contaminants, leads to greater variability in ARG composition, reflected in the broader distribution of ARG diversity observed in aquatic systems (Pei *et al.*, 2006; Luo *et al.*, 2020).

Notably, anthropogenic soils exhibit the highest ARG diversity (Shannon index: 5.71), a pattern that underscores the substantial impact of human activities, particularly intensive agriculture and urban waste management, on soil resistomes (Stiborova *et al.*, 2021). While urban wastewater in aquatic environments also shows elevated ARG diversity (Shannon index: 4.28), the resistome in soil environments is far more diverse. This difference highlights the greater persistence of antibiotics and pollutants in soil, where ARGs can accumulate and persist due to prolonged exposure to contaminants (Checcucci *et al.*, 2020), compared to the more transient exposure seen in aquatic systems (Pei *et al.*, 2006).

4.2.5 Comparative dynamics of core and accessory resistomes in soil and aquatic environments

Comparative analysis of the core resistomes between soil and aquatic environments reveals substantial differences, reflecting the distinct ecological pressures and human impacts on these

biomes (Figure 20). The larger core resistome in soil (179 ARGs) compared to aquatic environments (113 ARGs) suggests a more extensive and stable presence of ARGs across various soil environments.

The broader presence of core ARGs in soil compared to aquatic environments can be attributed to several inherent characteristics of soil. The heterogeneous structure of soil creates diverse microhabitats that facilitate close microbial interactions (Bach *et al.*, 2018). This is supported by the fact that soil environments enable more direct contact between microorganisms, enhancing the potential for horizontal gene exchange of ARGs (Bach *et al.*, 2018; Cycoń *et al.*, 2019). Furthermore, the adsorption of antibiotics onto soil particles creates persistent hotspots of selective pressure, potentially maintaining and stabilising the resistome over time (Checcucci *et al.*, 2020).

In both environments, multidrug resistance (MDR) genes, particularly those involved in efflux systems such as *mexF*, *mexW*, and *acrB*, demonstrate high prevalence, being found in over 90% of samples (Figure 17, 19). These efflux pumps are essential for bacterial survival under diverse antibiotic pressures introduced by human activities (Alcalde-Rico *et al.*, 2016). The *mexF* and *mexW* genes, components of clinically relevant MDR efflux systems (Morita *et al.*, 2012), are particularly prevalent in soil environments, present in over 97% of samples. Additionally, the *ompR* gene, which forms part of a two-component regulatory system involved in antibiotic resistance regulation (Kenney & Anand, 2020), is present in over 90% of aquatic samples, indicating consistent exposure to antibiotic pressures (Barathe *et al.*, 2024).

Agricultural practices, such as the application of manure and wastewater sludge, introduce high loads of ARGs and antibiotics into soils, further reinforcing selective pressures and enhancing the stability of ARGs within soil environments (Stiborova *et al.*, 2021). This is particularly evident in the prevalence of genes conferring resistance to antibiotics commonly used in agriculture. For instance, tetracycline resistance genes *tetP* and *otrA* are highly prevalent in aquatic environments (91.9% and 90.5% respectively), reflecting the persistent use of tetracyclines in aquaculture and agriculture (Nelson & Levy, 2011; Amangelsin *et al.*, 2023). Similarly, in soil environments, beta-lactam resistance genes such as *pbp-1a* and *oxa* show high prevalence, likely due to the presence of beta-lactams in animal waste products used as fertilisers (Udikovic-Kolic *et al.*, 2014). Moreover, the soil core resistome shows distinctive patterns in glycopeptide resistance, particularly through *vanR*, which regulates vancomycin resistance (Hong *et al.*, 2008). This

prevalence reflects the widespread use of glycopeptide antibiotics in agricultural settings (Nilsson, 2012). Similarly, the nearly universal presence (98.8%) of *rosA* and *bacA* genes, mediating resistance to fosmidomycin and bacitracin respectively (Ghachi *et al.*, 2004), indicates the persistent impact of veterinary antibiotics and growth promoters in soil environments (Pérez *et al.*, 2014; Phillips, 1999).

In contrast, aquatic environments are more dynamic and experience greater dilution and dispersion of contaminants, leading to lower local concentrations of antibiotics and ARGs (Pei *et al.*, 2006). This reduces the selective pressure for resistance and the stability of the resistome in water (Pei *et al.*, 2006). However, certain resistance genes maintain high prevalence in aquatic environments. For example, the *macB* gene, conferring resistance to macrolides, lincosamides, and streptogramins (MLS), is found in 97.3% of aquatic samples. Additionally, *mupA*, conferring resistance to mupirocin and typically associated with MRSA treatment, is detected in 92.4% of aquatic samples, suggesting contamination from clinical settings where this antibiotic is routinely used (Antonov *et al.*, 2015).

Notably, 101 core ARGs are shared between soil and aquatic environments (Figure 20), highlighting the extent of overlap in resistance profiles. This overlap is likely due to the movement of ARGs between these environments, driven by wastewater runoff, irrigation, and the application of sludge, which transport ARGs from aquatic systems into soil (Rizzo *et al.*, 2013; Kodešová *et al.*, 2024). These shared ARGs suggest that the resistomes of both biomes are shaped, at least in part, by common anthropogenic factors and that the interconnectedness of these environments plays a role in the persistence and distribution of ARGs (Kodešová *et al.*, 2024).

However, each environment also harbours unique resistance genes, emphasising the distinct selective pressures that operate in each biome. Soil environments, in particular, exhibit a higher prevalence of MDR genes, with 35 core MDR genes that are unique to soil compared to aquatic settings, a difference likely driven by the extensive use of antibiotics in agriculture and the consequent selection for multidrug-resistant bacteria (Forsberg *et al.*, 2012; Alcalde-Rico *et al.*, 2016; Manyi-Loh *et al.*, 2018). These MDR genes play a critical role in sustaining high levels of resistance in soil environments (Forsberg *et al.*, 2012), highlighting the role of soil as a reservoir for ARGs that could be transferred to other environments.

The accessory resistome provides insights into more localised or emerging resistance patterns (Figures 21-24). In both soil and aquatic settings, anthropogenic activities contribute to a higher diversity of accessory ARGs, which include substantial proportions of genes conferring resistance to aminoglycosides, beta-lactams, tetracyclines, phenicol, and fluoroquinolones. For instance, in aquatic environments, MDR genes dominate the accessory resistome (33.2% of samples), particularly in surface freshwater and groundwater, indicating antibiotic pollution in these environments (Häder *et al.*, 2020). Similarly, beta-lactam resistance genes are prevalent (12.7%), especially in surface freshwater, possibly reflecting exposure to healthcare runoff and agricultural waste (Sta Ana *et al.*, 2021).

The presence of these genes in the accessory resistomes highlights the potential for emerging resistance driven by ongoing selective pressures (Rizzo *et al.*, 2013; Delgado-Baquerizo *et al.*, 2022). Despite the differences in the core and accessory resistomes, the trends observed in the accessory resistomes mirror those observed in the core resistomes. That is, ARGs conferring multidrug resistance or resistance to antibiotics such as MLS, glycopeptides, tetracyclines and beta-lactams remain highly prevalent within both the core and accessory resistomes. This suggests that similar selective pressures shape both the core and accessory resistomes.

4.2.6 Distribution and significance of ESKAPE pathogens in soil and aquatic biomes

The distribution of ESKAPE pathogens across soil and aquatic biomes reveals notable patterns influenced by both environmental conditions and anthropogenic activities (Figures 8, 9). These pathogens, known for their multidrug resistance, capacity to disseminate across diverse environmental and clinical settings and ability to cause serious nosocomial infections, pose a substantial threat to public health (Santajit & Indrawattana, 2016). The widespread presence of ESKAPE pathogens in both soil and aquatic environments underscores the critical need for effective management strategies to mitigate their spread and impact.

In soil environments, temperate biomes exhibit the highest proportion of ESKAPE pathogens (8.23%), predominantly driven by *Klebsiella pneumoniae* (5.17%) and *Staphylococcus aureus* (2.84%). This could be explained by the extensive agricultural and urban activities (such as construction and anthropogenic movement into these areas) in temperate regions, which facilitate the dissemination and proliferation of these pathogens (Barnes & Raymond, 2009; Manyi-Loh *et al.*, 2018; Denissen *et al.*, 2022). Contaminated fertilisers and wastewater used in agriculture

introduce substantial amounts of these pathogens into the soil, where they can persist and spread (Muurinen *et al.*, 2017). The substantial presence of *Enterobacter* species (2.65%) in anthropogenic soils highlights the impact of human activities as these species are commonly associated with urban environments and wastewater, underscoring the role of urban runoff and sewage sludge in pathogen dissemination (Moretto *et al.*, 2021; Abedinzadeh *et al.*, 2023).

Remote soil biomes show markedly lower ESKAPE pathogen levels, suggesting human activity as a key driver of pathogen abundance. For instance, cold soils contain 0.66% total ESKAPE proportion, with *Staphylococcus aureus* making up 0.47%, while tropical soils show just 0.26% total proportion, with *Klebsiella pneumoniae* at 0.13%. These lower proportions in less disturbed environments serve as a baseline for understanding human impact on pathogen distribution

In aquatic environments, urban wastewater (3.14%), groundwater (8.32%), and surface freshwater (4.81%) exhibit the highest proportions of ESKAPE pathogens, dominated by *Staphylococcus aureus* (5.40% in groundwater, 1.95% in urban wastewater, and 3.25% in surface freshwater) and *Klebsiella pneumoniae* (2.45% in groundwater, 0.73% in urban wastewater, and 1.28% in surface freshwater). WWTPs act as reservoirs and sources of ARGs and pathogens, receiving a mixture of domestic, industrial, and hospital wastewater containing high loads of antibiotics, resistant bacteria, and ARGs (Pazda *et al.*, 2019; Qin *et al.*, 2020). Despite treatment processes, substantial amounts of these contaminants can be discharged into the environment, contributing to the spread of resistance in downstream water bodies (Rizzo *et al.*, 2013).

The large proportions of ESKAPE pathogens in groundwater and surface freshwater are possibly due to contaminated runoff and effluent discharge from WWTPs. These findings are supported by the co-clustering of these biomes with urban wastewater in the aquatic microbial species PCoA analysis (Figure 4A). The presence of *Staphylococcus aureus* and *Klebsiella pneumoniae* in these environments reflects their adaptability to diverse conditions and their ability to persist (Denissen *et al.*, 2022; Venkateswaran *et al.*, 2023). Coastal and marine seawater show lower proportions of ESKAPE pathogens (1.14% and less), indicating different environmental pressures and possibly lower anthropogenic influence compared to freshwater and urban wastewater environments (Denissen *et al.*, 2022). Surface saline water exhibits the lowest proportions of ESKAPE species (0.09%), suggesting that extreme environmental pressures may limit the proliferation of these pathogens (Shu & Huang, 2022). However, the presence of these pathogens in marine

environments, albeit in low abundance, indicates their ability for long-range dispersal and successful establishment across various aquatic settings.

The consistent presence of ESKAPE pathogens in both soil and aquatic environments demonstrates their ability to persist and proliferate across diverse biomes (Denissen *et al.*, 2022). The substantially higher concentrations in urban wastewater, groundwater, surface freshwater, and anthropogenic soils point to human contamination as the primary driver of their distribution (Denissen *et al.*, 2022; Aguilar-Salazar *et al.*, 2023). This widespread distribution poses major risks to environmental and public health, as these pathogens can act as sources of AMR dissemination to other environments and ultimately to humans (Santajit & Indrawattana, 2016). The dominance of *Staphylococcus aureus* and *Klebsiella pneumoniae* in both settings aligns with their established prevalence in both clinical and non-clinical environments, highlighting their adaptability and potential for widespread dissemination (Aguilar-Salazar *et al.*, 2023; Venkateswaran *et al.*, 2023).

Chapter 5: Conclusions and recommendations

5.1 Limitations and future recommendations

While this study provides a comprehensive analysis of AMR across diverse global environments, several limitations must be acknowledged. First, the use of publicly available metagenomes, while beneficial for expanding the scope of the study, presents challenges in standardisation. The variability in sequencing strategies across different datasets introduces potential biases (Bengtsson-Palme *et al.*, 2017), even though data normalisation methods were applied. The normalisation methods may not fully account for differences in sequencing depth, library preparation, or the platforms used, which could influence the observed patterns in ARG and microbial taxa distributions (Bengtsson-Palme *et al.*, 2017). Furthermore, bioinformatic pipeline choices, particularly in genome assembly and ARG annotation, may impact the detection and classification of resistance genes, with potential limitations in identifying novel or divergent sequences (Hendriksen *et al.*, 2019).

Another notable limitation is the lack of time-controlled sampling. AMR is a dynamic phenomenon, with resistance profiles that can shift substantially over time (Javvadi & Mohan, 2024). The metagenomes used in this study were collected at different times and in different years. Without any temporal control, the findings represent a snapshot rather than a continuous or evolving picture of AMR. This temporal variability may obscure trends and lead to an underestimation or overestimation of resistance levels in certain environments. Additionally, the DNA-based metagenomic approach cannot capture the actual expression levels of resistance genes or their phenotypic manifestation in environmental communities (Waskito *et al.*, 2022).

Finally, while the study covers a broad range of biomes, it does not equally represent all possible environments where AMR may emerge or persist. This work encompasses a diverse range of soil and aquatic biomes, however, certain environments, particularly those less studied or harder to access, may harbour unique resistomes that are not reflected in this analysis. The uneven geographic distribution of samples, with some regions being underrepresented, could mask important regional patterns in AMR dissemination (Djordjevic *et al.*, 2024).

Future studies should address these limitations through time-controlled sampling approaches to capture temporal dynamics of resistance gene spread. The integration of metatranscriptomics with metagenomic data could provide insights into ARG expression patterns and functional resistance mechanisms (Waskito *et al.*, 2022). Systematic sampling across underrepresented regions and

biomes, particularly in developing nations where AMR poses a major threat, would enhance our understanding of global resistance patterns. Additionally, the development of standardised bioinformatic pipelines specifically optimised for environmental resistome analysis would improve comparability across studies (Hendriksen *et al.*, 2019).

5.2 Summary

This study provides a comprehensive analysis of ARGs across diverse soil and aquatic environments on a global scale. By examining 1,758 metagenomes, this work highlights the pervasive nature of AMR beyond clinical settings, emphasising the crucial roles that various environments and human activities play in shaping resistance profiles.

The findings reveal that soil environments, particularly those impacted by agriculture and urbanisation, harbour a more extensive core resistome compared to aquatic environments. This suggests that soil acts as a stable and abundant reservoir of resistance genes, likely due to persistent selective pressures from practices such as the application of manure, wastewater sludge, and antibiotics in agriculture. These activities enrich the soil resistome and promote the proliferation of ARGs, including multidrug resistance genes, which can persist and spread through environmental pathways.

In human-impacted soils, a dramatic reduction in microbial diversity was observed alongside an abundance of ESKAPE pathogens. This reduction in native microbial diversity may create ecological niches that allow harmful microorganisms to proliferate. The loss of beneficial microbial communities could disrupt natural competition enabling the proliferation of ESKAPE pathogens and leading to increased risks to environmental and public health.

Similar to soil environments, aquatic environments, especially urban wastewater, emerge as major hotspots for both microbial and ARG diversity. The high diversity observed is due to the influx of microorganisms and contaminants from various human sources, including domestic, industrial, and hospital effluents. Wastewater treatment plants, despite their role in mitigating pollution, can act as reservoirs and conduits for the dissemination of ARGs and ESKAPE pathogens into downstream ecosystems. The spill-over into groundwater and surface freshwater systems is particularly concerning, with these environments demonstrating the highest presence of ESKAPE pathogens. This linkage underscores the interconnectedness of water systems and highlights how contaminants from urban wastewater can affect broader aquatic environments.

The metagenomic insights provided in this study highlight the necessity of broadening AMR surveillance beyond clinical settings to include diverse environmental reservoirs. Focusing solely on healthcare environments overlooks sources of resistance genes and pathogens that contribute to the global AMR crisis. By adopting integrated approaches that consider the interconnectedness of different ecosystems, a more comprehensive understanding of AMR dissemination can be achieved. This facilitates the development of more effective strategies to combat its spread, taking into account the various pathways through which resistance genes and pathogens can move between environments.

Implementing sustainable practices is crucial in reducing anthropogenic impacts on environmental resistomes. Enhancing wastewater treatment technologies with additional filtration steps can help prevent the dissemination of ARGs and pathogens into water systems, particularly from hospital and industrial effluents where ESKAPE pathogens are abundant. In agriculture, promoting judicious antibiotic use through clear guidelines and monitoring systems, alongside proper treatment of organic waste before land application, can reduce the selective pressures driving resistance. These measures require coordinated policy frameworks that recognise the interconnected nature of soil and water systems in ARG spread. Regular environmental monitoring using standardised protocols is essential for tracking resistance patterns and evaluating the effectiveness of interventions. Such a systematic approach to environmental management, supported by evidence-based policies, would help mitigate the enrichment of resistomes in both soil and aquatic environments, helping to mitigate the AMR threat.

In conclusion, this study advances the understanding of the pervasive nature of AMR and the roles that environmental reservoirs and human activities play in its global dissemination. Recognising the importance of various environments—beyond clinical settings—in the evolution and spread of AMR is imperative. The findings emphasise the urgency of addressing AMR through coordinated efforts that encompass multiple sectors and disciplines. Future research should involve temporal monitoring to observe changes in resistome compositions and investigate the mechanisms underlying ARG dissemination across different environments. Such efforts will not only be instrumental in informing public health strategies but also in guiding the prudent use of antibiotics by identifying resistome profiles that predict antibiotic efficacy and resistance risks, ultimately contributing to a more effective response to this pressing global health challenge.

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7. Supplementary Data

7.1 Supplementary Table 1

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Supplementary Table 1. The list of all metagenomes analysed in this study, their MG-RAST ID, co-ordinates and biome classification.