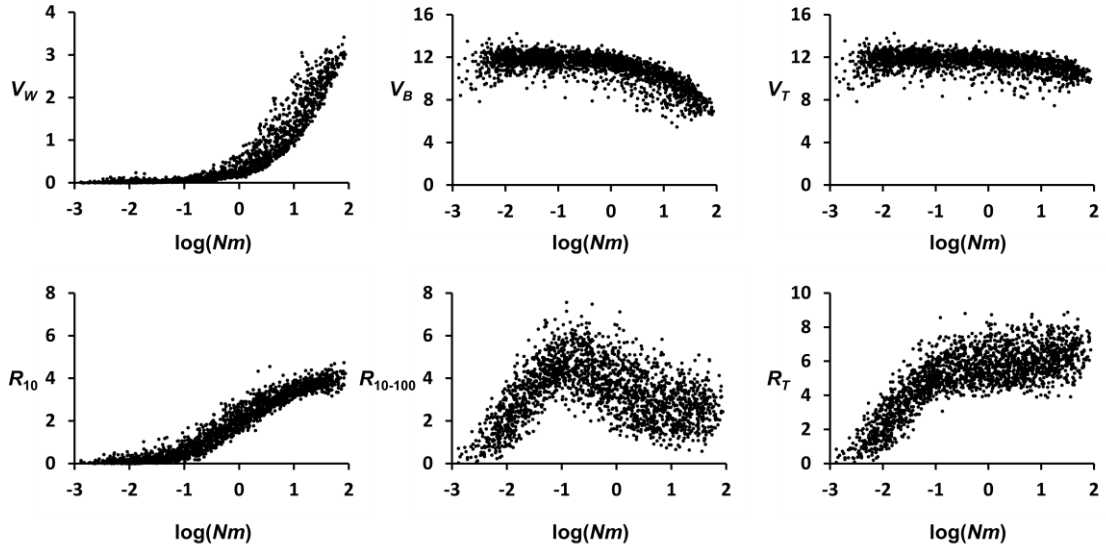


**Figure S1** Example of simulated selection responses (change in the phenotypic mean for the selected quantitative trait) occurred after a change in the selection optimum in the population. The scenario refers to a subdivided population with  $n = 10$  subpopulations, with a subpopulation census size randomly taken between 100 and 1000 and a migration rate among subpopulations randomly taken between 0.0001 and 0.1.



**Figure S2** Initial quantitative trait variance components and responses to selection for the simulations plotted against the number of migrants per generation and subpopulation ( $Nm$ , in  $\log_{10}$ ). The scenario refers to a subdivided population with  $n = 10$  subpopulations, number of migrants per generation and subpopulation ( $Nm$ ) either  $< 0.5$  or  $> 0.5$ , mutation rate  $u = 0.00001$  and strength of stabilising selection  $\omega^2 = 25$ . Results are based on 2,000 simulations varying the subpopulation size ( $N$ ) randomly between 100 and 1000, and the migration rate ( $m$ ) between 0.0001 and 0.1.  $V_W$ : Within-subpopulation genetic variance;  $V_B$ : Between-subpopulation genetic variance;  $V_T$ : Total genetic variance;  $R_{10}$ : response to selection until generation 10;  $R_{10-100}$ : response from generations 10 to 100;  $R_T$ : total response until generation 100.

The figure shows that whereas the short-term response ( $R_{10}$ ) increases monotonically with  $Nm$ , the late response ( $R_{10-100}$ ) increases with  $Nm$  for  $\log(Nm) \approx -0.3$  ( $Nm < \sim 0.5$ ), and decreases thereafter. This indicates that, when subpopulations are considerably isolated from one another ( $Nm < \sim 0.5$ , corresponding to an expected  $F_{ST} > \sim 1/3$ ),  $V_W$  is very low and  $V_B$  rather high, and late and total response increase with  $Nm$ , due to the slow but continuous increase of  $V_W$  at the expense of  $V_B$ . For higher levels of migration ( $Nm > \sim 0.5$ ; corresponding to  $F_{ST} < \sim 1/3$ ),  $V_W$  increases substantially with migration, implying an increase in the short-term response, but  $V_B$  and  $V_T$  decline consistently, implying a decline in late response.

**Table S1 Ordinary correlation coefficients between initial population genetic diversity variables and response to selection for a structured population**

		<i>Nm</i> < 0.5			<i>Nm</i> > 0.5		
		<i>R</i> <sub>10</sub>	<i>R</i> <sub>10-100</sub>	<i>R</i> <sub>T</sub>	<i>R</i> <sub>10</sub>	<i>R</i> <sub>10-100</sub>	<i>R</i> <sub>T</sub>
<b>QT</b>	<i>V<sub>W</sub></i>	0.786	0.269	0.450	0.839	-0.515	0.084
	<i>V<sub>B</sub></i>	-0.011	0.270	0.228	-0.715	0.543	0.052
	<i>V<sub>T</sub></i>	0.050	0.293	0.264	-0.455	0.468	0.178
	<i>Q<sub>ST</sub></i>	-0.774	-0.251	-0.431	-0.833	0.536	-0.055
<b>QTL</b>	<i>H<sub>S</sub><sup>*</sup></i>	0.738	0.487	0.623	0.726	-0.387	0.143
	<i>D<sub>G</sub><sup>*</sup></i>	-0.678	-0.417	-0.547	-0.930	0.581	-0.082
	<i>H<sub>T</sub><sup>*</sup></i>	-0.458	-0.268	-0.357	0.009	0.082	0.105
	<i>G<sub>ST</sub><sup>*</sup></i>	-0.830	-0.500	-0.659	-0.904	0.544	-0.104
	<i>A<sub>S</sub><sup>*</sup></i>	0.690	0.634	0.734	0.414	0.033	0.382
	<i>D<sub>A</sub><sup>*</sup></i>	-0.433	0.079	-0.054	-0.519	0.615	0.299
	<i>A<sub>T</sub><sup>*</sup></i>	0.443	0.598	0.635	0.249	0.175	0.414
	<i>K<sub>T</sub><sup>*</sup></i>	-0.385	0.009	-0.100	-0.097	0.428	0.427
	<i>A<sub>ST</sub><sup>*</sup></i>	-0.805	-0.672	-0.800	-0.749	0.613	0.107
	<i>D<sup>*</sup></i>	-0.621	-0.369	-0.490	-0.889	0.561	-0.072
<b>Markers</b>	<i>H<sub>S</sub></i>	0.660	0.690	0.774	0.248	0.165	0.401
	<i>D<sub>G</sub></i>	-0.779	-0.550	-0.689	-0.882	0.562	-0.065
	<i>H<sub>T</sub></i>	-0.483	-0.116	-0.234	-0.225	0.454	0.353
	<i>G<sub>ST</sub></i>	-0.782	-0.650	-0.774	-0.875	0.473	-0.165
	<i>A<sub>S</sub></i>	0.531	0.694	0.742	0.385	0.090	0.426
	<i>D<sub>A</sub></i>	-0.091	0.425	0.337	-0.368	0.561	0.360
	<i>A<sub>T</sub></i>	0.344	0.646	0.648	0.248	0.198	0.441
	<i>K<sub>T</sub></i>	-0.137	0.373	0.280	-0.150	0.458	0.419
	<i>A<sub>ST</sub></i>	-0.748	-0.710	-0.816	-0.895	0.601	-0.029
	<i>D</i>	-0.774	-0.521	-0.662	-0.881	0.568	-0.057

The scenario refers to a subdivided population with  $n = 10$  subpopulations,  $Nm$  migrants per generation and subpopulation, mutation rate  $u = 0.00001$  and strength of stabilising selection given by  $\omega^2 = 25$ . The variables included in the model are for quantitative trait (QT) and QTLs:  $V_W, V_B, V_T, Q_{ST}, H_S^*, D_G^*, H_T^*, G_{ST}^*, A_S^*, D_A^*, A_T^*, A_{ST}^*, D^*$  and  $K_T^*$ ; and for neutral markers:  $H_S, D_G, H_T, G_{ST}, A_S, D_A, A_T, A_{ST}, D$  and  $K_T$  (see main text for definitions).  $R_{10}$ : response to selection until generation 10;  $R_{10-100}$ : response from generations 10 to 100;  $R_T$ : total response until generation 100. Average values (and its standard deviation) of  $K_T^*$  across runs was 3.6 (0.9) and that of  $K_T$  was 3.0 (0.8). The results are based on 5 sets of 2000 simulation runs varying the subpopulation size ( $N$ ) randomly between 100 and 1000, and the migration rate ( $m$ ) between 0.0001 and 0.1.

**Table S2 Comparison between computer simulations and diffusion approximations (E[] in bold face) for different gene frequency and allelic diversity variables.**

<b><math>u = 0.00001</math></b>								
$Nm$	$A_S$	$E[A_S]$	$D_A$	$E[D_A]$	$A_{ST}$	$E[A_{ST}]$	$K_T$	$E[K_T]$
0	0.299	<b>0.301</b>	1.152	<b>1.146</b>	0.794	<b>0.792</b>	12.36	<b>68.198</b>
0.01	0.512	<b>0.547</b>	1.203	<b>1.174</b>	0.701	<b>0.682</b>	10.50	<b>37.366</b>
0.05	0.923	<b>1.059</b>	1.028	<b>0.969</b>	0.527	<b>0.478</b>	7.31	<b>16.269</b>
0.1	1.444	<b>1.277</b>	0.935	<b>0.749</b>	0.393	<b>0.370</b>	6.57	<b>11.208</b>
0.5	1.652	<b>1.483</b>	0.533	<b>0.385</b>	0.244	<b>0.206</b>	5.45	<b>6.223</b>
1	1.628	<b>1.574</b>	0.436	<b>0.330</b>	0.211	<b>0.173</b>	4.94	<b>5.515</b>
5	1.961	<b>1.909</b>	0.365	<b>0.280</b>	0.157	<b>0.128</b>	4.75	<b>4.928</b>
10	2.218	<b>2.080</b>	0.337	<b>0.269</b>	0.132	<b>0.115</b>	4.76	<b>4.853</b>
50	2.431	<b>2.464</b>	0.265	<b>0.248</b>	0.098	<b>0.092</b>	4.64	<b>4.792</b>
100	2.592	<b>2.598</b>	0.283	<b>0.236</b>	0.098	<b>0.083</b>	4.72	<b>4.785</b>
500	3.009	<b>2.782</b>	0.233	<b>0.180</b>	0.072	<b>0.061</b>	4.87	<b>4.779</b>
1000	3.110	<b>2.802</b>	0.217	<b>0.136</b>	0.065	<b>0.046</b>	4.91	<b>4.778</b>
<b><math>u = 0.0002</math></b>								
0	5.605	<b>4.887</b>	5.945	<b>4.382</b>	0.515	<b>0.473</b>	66.05	<b>112.854</b>
0.01	5.784	<b>5.058</b>	6.049	<b>4.435</b>	0.511	<b>0.467</b>	65.16	<b>110.190</b>
0.05	6.370	<b>5.782</b>	6.402	<b>4.683</b>	0.501	<b>0.448</b>	64.84	<b>101.763</b>
0.1	7.323	<b>6.552</b>	6.854	<b>4.872</b>	0.483	<b>0.427</b>	63.67	<b>94.500</b>
0.5	11.942	<b>10.520</b>	7.653	<b>5.352</b>	0.391	<b>0.337</b>	61.33	<b>74.240</b>
1	15.569	<b>13.205</b>	7.768	<b>5.389</b>	0.333	<b>0.290</b>	61.87	<b>68.030</b>
5	23.456	<b>20.803</b>	7.196	<b>5.249</b>	0.235	<b>0.202</b>	61.55	<b>61.392</b>
10	26.924	<b>24.416</b>	6.750	<b>5.222</b>	0.200	<b>0.176</b>	60.98	<b>60.419</b>
50	33.847	<b>32.129</b>	5.857	<b>4.880</b>	0.147	<b>0.132</b>	60.08	<b>59.614</b>
100	36.821	<b>34.941</b>	5.323	<b>4.777</b>	0.126	<b>0.120</b>	58.88	<b>59.511</b>
500	40.904	<b>38.592</b>	4.822	<b>3.610</b>	0.105	<b>0.086</b>	58.87	<b>59.429</b>
1000	43.009	<b>38.968</b>	4.649	<b>2.707</b>	0.098	<b>0.065</b>	59.92	<b>59.419</b>

The scenario considered refers to a subdivided population with  $n = 10$  subpopulations, each of size  $N = 1000$  individuals, mutation rate  $u$ , variable migration rate ( $m$ ), and no sampling (all subpopulation individuals are analysed). See main text for definitions.

**Table S3 Comparison between computer simulations and diffusion approximations (E[] in bold face) for different allelic diversity variables.**

<b><math>u = 0.00001</math></b>									
$Nm$	$g$	$A_S$	<b>E[<math>A_S</math>]</b>	$D_A$	<b>E[<math>D_A</math>]</b>	$A_{ST}$	<b>E[<math>A_{ST}</math>]</b>	$K_T$	<b>E[<math>K_T</math>]</b>
0	100	0.188	<b>0.207</b>	1.052	<b>1.072</b>	0.848	<b>0.838</b>	11.250	<b>44.151</b>
	50	0.182	<b>0.170</b>	1.047	<b>1.041</b>	0.852	<b>0.860</b>	11.224	<b>37.873</b>
	20	0.144	<b>0.129</b>	1.012	<b>1.007</b>	0.876	<b>0.887</b>	10.838	<b>29.597</b>
	10	0.119	<b>0.103</b>	0.990	<b>0.986</b>	0.893	<b>0.906</b>	10.596	<b>23.505</b>
1	100	1.293	<b>1.290</b>	0.368	<b>0.337</b>	0.221	<b>0.207</b>	3.950	<b>4.282</b>
	50	1.192	<b>1.168</b>	0.367	<b>0.345</b>	0.236	<b>0.228</b>	3.806	<b>4.012</b>
	20	0.980	<b>0.982</b>	0.350	<b>0.346</b>	0.264	<b>0.260</b>	3.460	<b>3.568</b>
	10	0.792	<b>0.806</b>	0.339	<b>0.347</b>	0.301	<b>0.301</b>	3.196	<b>3.231</b>
1000	100	1.968	<b>1.839</b>	0.250	<b>0.277</b>	0.113	<b>0.131</b>	3.870	<b>3.751</b>
	50	1.565	<b>1.569</b>	0.248	<b>0.277</b>	0.137	<b>0.150</b>	3.474	<b>3.487</b>
	20	1.189	<b>1.202</b>	0.249	<b>0.277</b>	0.173	<b>0.187</b>	3.084	<b>3.124</b>
	10	0.898	<b>0.923</b>	0.248	<b>0.278</b>	0.217	<b>0.231</b>	2.818	<b>2.848</b>
<b><math>u = 0.0002</math></b>									
0	100	3.439	<b>3.274</b>	3.995	<b>3.431</b>	0.537	<b>0.512</b>	44.390	<b>69.487</b>
	50	2.900	<b>2.738</b>	3.510	<b>3.060</b>	0.548	<b>0.528</b>	39.004	<b>58.257</b>
	20	2.174	<b>2.085</b>	2.857	<b>2.609</b>	0.568	<b>0.556</b>	31.742	<b>43.646</b>
	10	1.629	<b>1.639</b>	2.366	<b>2.295</b>	0.592	<b>0.583</b>	26.290	<b>33.168</b>
1	100	9.441	<b>9.106</b>	5.608	<b>4.803</b>	0.373	<b>0.345</b>	41.140	<b>44.052</b>
	50	7.877	<b>7.366</b>	4.894	<b>4.392</b>	0.383	<b>0.374</b>	35.330	<b>38.171</b>
	20	5.580	<b>5.392</b>	3.955	<b>3.818</b>	0.415	<b>0.415</b>	28.250	<b>29.810</b>
	10	3.865	<b>3.786</b>	3.173	<b>3.180</b>	0.451	<b>0.457</b>	22.940	<b>23.658</b>
1000	100	20.181	<b>20.206</b>	4.847	<b>5.236</b>	0.194	<b>0.206</b>	39.390	<b>28.938</b>
	50	15.401	<b>15.320</b>	4.529	<b>5.044</b>	0.227	<b>0.248</b>	33.694	<b>33.583</b>
	20	9.451	<b>9.350</b>	3.957	<b>4.358</b>	0.295	<b>0.318</b>	26.608	<b>26.507</b>
	10	5.802	<b>5.758</b>	3.283	<b>3.600</b>	0.361	<b>0.385</b>	21.428	<b>21.271</b>

The scenario considered refers to a subdivided population with  $n = 10$  subpopulations, each of size  $N = 1000$  individuals, mutation rate  $u$ , variable migration rate ( $m$ ), and  $g$  sampled genes per subpopulation. See main text for definitions.