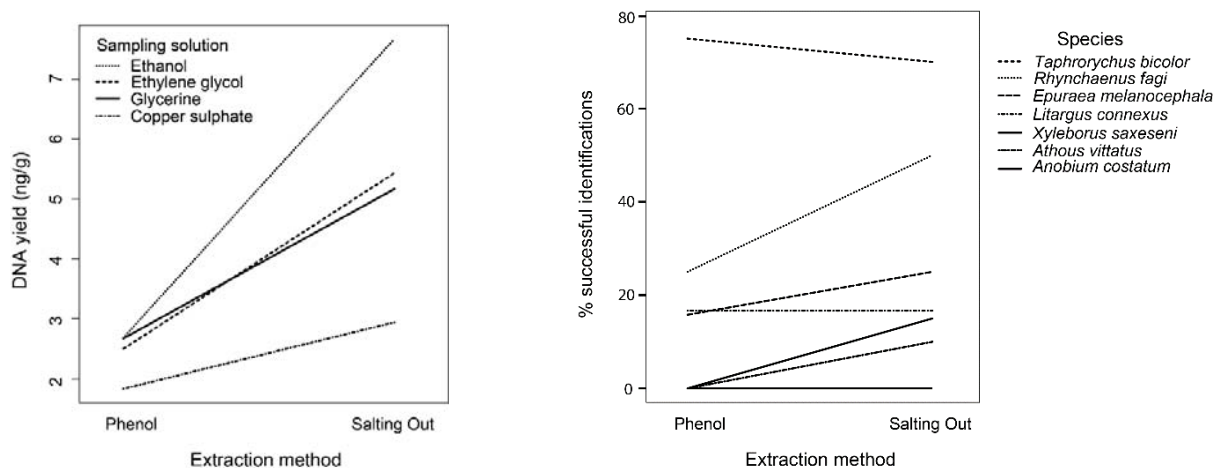


### Supplementary S3: Results of preliminary study (older samples from 2008-2011)

From the preliminary study, we recovered correct barcoding sequences from 37/138 Salting-Out [1] and 26/137 Phenol-Chloroform extracted samples. Identification success was dependent on both the species and extraction method (GLM quasibinomial:  $F_{6,239}=2.69$ ,  $P=0.015$ ) and also between species and the sampling solution (GLM quasibinomial:  $F_{18,245}=3.60$ ,  $P<0.001$ ). One species (*Anobium costatum*) produced no positive identifications from the sequencing data, whereas another (*Taphrorychus bicolor*) produced 29/40 correct identifications, with the success in this species dependent on the sampling solution. In general, using Ethanol as the sampling solution and extracted samples using the Salting-Out method recovered greater DNA yield and produced more positive sequence identifications (Fig A, Table A). Yield was measured on a Nanodrop 100 in the preliminary study, as opposed to a Quantus Fluorometer used in the main study.



**Figure A:** Mean DNA yield (ng/g) across the different sampling solutions and extraction methods, and percentage of successfully identified individuals across species and extraction method.

**Table A:** Summary of data from the preliminary study comparing DNA and barcoding success from seven species, using two extraction methods from four sampling solutions.

Species	Solution	Extraction method	Mean DNA yield (ng/g)	ID success	No. samples
<i>Anobium costatum</i>	Copper sulphate	Salting Out	7.51	0	5
<i>Anobium costatum</i>	Copper sulphate	Phenol	2.51	0	5
<i>Anobium costatum</i>	Ethanol	Salting Out	7.04	0	5
<i>Anobium costatum</i>	Ethanol	Phenol	2.26	0	5
<i>Anobium costatum</i>	Ethylene glycol	Salting Out	5.38	0	5
<i>Anobium costatum</i>	Ethylene glycol	Phenol	3.39	0	5
<i>Anobium costatum</i>	Glycerine	Salting Out	1.65	0	5
<i>Anobium costatum</i>	Glycerine	Phenol	1.58	0	5
<i>Athous vittatus</i>	Copper sulphate	Salting Out	0.41	0	5
<i>Athous vittatus</i>	Copper sulphate	Phenol	1.70	0	5
<i>Athous vittatus</i>	Ethanol	Salting Out	1.60	2	5
<i>Athous vittatus</i>	Ethanol	Phenol	0.35	0	5
<i>Athous vittatus</i>	Ethylene glycol	Salting Out	0.45	0	5
<i>Athous vittatus</i>	Ethylene glycol	Phenol	1.23	0	5
<i>Athous vittatus</i>	Glycerine	Salting Out	3.13	0	5
<i>Athous vittatus</i>	Glycerine	Phenol	0.93	0	5
<i>Eपुरaea melanocephala</i>	Copper sulphate	Salting Out	2.62	0	5
<i>Eपुरaea melanocephala</i>	Copper sulphate	Phenol	0.58	0	5
<i>Eपुरaea melanocephala</i>	Ethanol	Salting Out	10.49	3	5
<i>Eपुरaea melanocephala</i>	Ethanol	Phenol	2.72	2	5
<i>Eपुरaea melanocephala</i>	Ethylene glycol	Salting Out	2.74	2	5
<i>Eपुरaea melanocephala</i>	Ethylene glycol	Phenol	1.69	1	5
<i>Eपुरaea melanocephala</i>	Glycerine	Salting Out	3.56	0	5
<i>Eपुरaea melanocephala</i>	Glycerine	Phenol	1.06	0	5
<i>Rhynchaenus fagi</i>	Copper sulphate	Salting Out	4.63	2	5
<i>Rhynchaenus fagi</i>	Copper sulphate	Phenol	1.69	1	5
<i>Rhynchaenus fagi</i>	Ethanol	Salting Out	2.40	1	5
<i>Rhynchaenus fagi</i>	Ethanol	Phenol	0.82	1	5
<i>Rhynchaenus fagi</i>	Ethylene glycol	Salting Out	9.90	3	5
<i>Rhynchaenus fagi</i>	Ethylene glycol	Phenol	4.17	2	5
<i>Rhynchaenus fagi</i>	Glycerine	Salting Out	6.95	4	5
<i>Rhynchaenus fagi</i>	Glycerine	Phenol	1.50	1	5
<i>Taphrorychus bicolor</i>	Copper sulphate	Salting Out	0.57	0	5
<i>Taphrorychus bicolor</i>	Copper sulphate	Phenol	2.68	2	5
<i>Taphrorychus bicolor</i>	Ethanol	Salting Out	13.41	5	5
<i>Taphrorychus bicolor</i>	Ethanol	Phenol	4.20	5	5
<i>Taphrorychus bicolor</i>	Ethylene glycol	Salting Out	11.63	4	5
<i>Taphrorychus bicolor</i>	Ethylene glycol	Phenol	2.58	3	5
<i>Taphrorychus bicolor</i>	Glycerine	Salting Out	13.49	5	5
<i>Taphrorychus bicolor</i>	Glycerine	Phenol	5.35	5	5
<i>Xyleborus saxeseni</i>	Copper sulphate	Salting Out	3.49	0	5
<i>Xyleborus saxeseni</i>	Copper sulphate	Phenol	2.88	0	5
<i>Xyleborus saxeseni</i>	Ethanol	Salting Out	6.89	3	5
<i>Xyleborus saxeseni</i>	Ethanol	Phenol	2.77	0	5
<i>Xyleborus saxeseni</i>	Ethylene glycol	Salting Out	7.36	0	5
<i>Xyleborus saxeseni</i>	Ethylene glycol	Phenol	2.54	0	5
<i>Xyleborus saxeseni</i>	Glycerine	Salting Out	5.53	0	5
<i>Xyleborus saxeseni</i>	Glycerine	Phenol	2.71	0	5
<i>Litargus connexus</i>	Copper sulphate	Salting Out	1.00	1	4
<i>Litargus connexus</i>	Copper sulphate	Phenol	0.55	0	4
<i>Litargus connexus</i>	Ethanol	Salting Out	11.88	2	5
<i>Litargus connexus</i>	Ethanol	Phenol	5.65	2	5
<i>Litargus connexus</i>	Ethylene glycol	Salting Out	0.60	0	5
<i>Litargus connexus</i>	Ethylene glycol	Phenol	1.91	0	5
<i>Litargus connexus</i>	Glycerine	Salting Out	1.06	0	4
<i>Litargus connexus</i>	Glycerine	Phenol	5.92	1	4

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