

**Supplementary Table 1.** Overview of sampling events with the number (no.) of collected samples and species richness based on 300 cell counts. Temperature (mean  $\pm$  standard deviation) was counted for the 30 days preceding a sampling event. The number of samples and species richness values are given separately for epipelon (EPI) and *Sphagnum* spp. periphyton (PERI) microhabitats

Sampling event	Date	Temperature [°C]	No. of samples		Species richness		Total
			EPI	PERI	EPI	PERI	
spring 1	18.5.2010	11.6 $\pm$ 2.9	6	0	44	0	44
summer 1	31.8.2010	18.2 $\pm$ 3.1	6	0	43	0	43
autumn 1	4.11.2010	7.1 $\pm$ 2.7	6	6	41	34	47
winter 1	3.2.2011	- 0.3 $\pm$ 4.8	6	6	44	47	52
spring 2	4.5.2011	11.2 $\pm$ 3.7	6	6	41	33	46
summer 2	30.8.2011	19.4 $\pm$ 3.2	6	6	41	35	45
autumn 2	5.11.2011	7.3 $\pm$ 2.7	6	6	43	31	47
winter 2	18.3.2012	4.9 $\pm$ 3.3	6	6	43	38	49

**Supplementary Table 2.** Species richness and Shannon diversity index for individual samples. EPI = epipelon, PERI = *Sphagnum* spp. periphyton

<i>Nr. sample</i>	<i>Sampling event</i>	<i>Site</i>	<i>Microhabitat</i>	<i>Species richness</i>	<i>Shannon diversity index</i>
1	spring 1	1	EPI	13	1.280
2	spring 1	2	EPI	11	1.543
3	spring 1	5	EPI	17	1.477
4	spring 1	3	EPI	16	1.685
5	spring 1	4	EPI	14	1.981
6	spring 1	6	EPI	5	0.637
7	summer 1	1	EPI	20	2.159
8	summer 1	2	EPI	11	1.441
9	summer 1	5	EPI	12	1.393
10	summer 1	3	EPI	17	1.916
11	summer 1	4	EPI	12	1.913
12	summer 1	6	EPI	5	0.690
13	autumn 1	1	PERI	14	1.731
14	autumn 1	1	EPI	18	1.978
15	autumn 1	2	PERI	13	0.921
16	autumn 1	2	EPI	14	1.596
17	autumn 1	5	PERI	6	0.275
18	autumn 1	5	EPI	9	0.710
19	autumn 1	3	PERI	9	1.267
20	autumn 1	3	EPI	15	1.732
21	autumn 1	4	PERI	12	1.175
22	autumn 1	4	EPI	10	1.252
23	autumn 1	6	PERI	4	0.348
24	autumn 1	6	EPI	3	0.183
25	winter 1	1	PERI	26	2.665
26	winter 1	1	EPI	19	2.119
27	winter 1	2	PERI	16	1.800
28	winter 1	2	EPI	12	1.403
29	winter 1	5	PERI	10	1.113
30	winter 1	5	EPI	5	0.501
31	winter 1	3	PERI	16	1.612
32	winter 1	3	EPI	22	1.897
33	winter 1	4	PERI	7	1.247
34	winter 1	4	EPI	11	1.628
35	winter 1	6	PERI	4	0.328
36	winter 1	6	EPI	5	0.546
37	spring 2	1	PERI	15	2.127
38	spring 2	1	EPI	15	1.808
39	spring 2	2	PERI	12	0.987
40	spring 2	2	EPI	15	1.652
41	spring 2	5	PERI	5	0.618
42	spring 2	5	EPI	11	0.740

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43	spring 2	3	PERI	10	1.409
44	spring 2	3	EPI	16	1.566
45	spring 2	4	PERI	8	1.497
46	spring 2	4	EPI	13	1.764
47	spring 2	6	PERI	2	0.500
48	spring 2	6	EPI	4	0.292
49	summer 2	1	PERI	15	1.960
50	summer 2	1	EPI	15	1.658
51	summer 2	2	PERI	11	1.288
52	summer 2	2	EPI	13	1.696
53	summer 2	5	PERI	5	0.277
54	summer 2	5	EPI	10	0.815
55	summer 2	3	PERI	10	1.298
56	summer 2	3	EPI	14	1.483
57	summer 2	4	PERI	14	1.454
58	summer 2	4	EPI	13	1.135
59	summer 2	6	PERI	3	0.326
60	summer 2	6	EPI	3	0.208
61	autumn 2	1	PERI	17	1.913
62	autumn 2	1	EPI	15	1.882
63	autumn 2	2	PERI	15	1.741
64	autumn 2	2	EPI	14	1.927
65	autumn 2	5	PERI	3	0.493
66	autumn 2	5	EPI	10	1.225
67	autumn 2	3	PERI	10	1.171
68	autumn 2	3	EPI	14	1.279
69	autumn 2	4	PERI	9	0.994
70	autumn 2	4	EPI	13	1.933
71	autumn 2	6	PERI	3	0.354
72	autumn 2	6	EPI	5	0.259
73	winter 2	1	PERI	18	2.131
74	winter 2	1	EPI	20	2.123
75	winter 2	2	PERI	15	1.786
76	winter 2	2	EPI	14	1.565
77	winter 2	5	PERI	6	0.752
78	winter 2	5	EPI	9	0.962
79	winter 2	3	PERI	12	1.004
80	winter 2	3	EPI	15	1.338
81	winter 2	4	PERI	7	0.863
82	winter 2	4	EPI	12	1.675
83	winter 2	6	PERI	8	0.776
84	winter 2	6	EPI	4	0.318

**Supplementary Table 3.** Complete list of 73 diatom species identified in 84 samples based on 300 cell counts per sample. The most abundant species (top 25%) are highlighted in bold

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*Adlafia minuscula* (Grunow) Lange-Bertalot  
*Achnanthes* sp.  
***Achnantheidium minutissimum* (Kützing) Czarnecki**  
*Amphora ovalis* (Kützing) Kützing  
*Brachysira brebissonii* R.Ross  
***Brachysira neoexilis* Lange-Bertalot**  
***Brachysira cf. neoexilis* Lange-Bertalot**  
*Brachysira procera* Lange-Bertalot & Gerd Moser  
***Brachysira serians* (Brébisson) Round & D.G. Mann**  
*Caloneis tenuis* (W.Gregory) Krammer  
***Cymbella falaisensis* (Grunow) Krammer & Lange-Bertalot**  
*Cymbopleura inaequalis* (Ehrenberg) Krammer  
*Denticula kuetzingii* Grunow  
*Encyonema gracile* Rabenhorst  
*Encyonema silesiacum* (Bleisch) D.G.Mann  
***Encyonopsis cf. delicatissima* (Hustedt) Krammer**  
*Epithemia adnata* (Kützing) Brébisson  
*Eucocconeis flexella* (Kützing) Meister  
***Eunotia cf. arcubus* Nörpel & Lange-Bertalot**  
*Eunotia arculus* Lange-Bertalot & Nörpel  
***Eunotia bilunaris* (Ehrenberg) Schaarschmidt**  
***Eunotia exigua* (Brébisson ex Kützing) Rabenhorst**  
***Eunotia glacialis* Meister**  
*Eunotia implicata* Nörpel, Lange-Bertalot & Alles  
*Eunotia incisa* W.Smith ex W.Gregory  
*Eunotia intermedia* (Krasske ex Hustedt) Nörpel & Lange-Bertalot  
*Eunotia minuta* F.W.Hilse  
*Eunotia naegelii* Migula  
***Eunotia paludosa* Grunow**  
*Eunotia pectinalis* var. *ventralis* (Ehrenberg) Hustedt  
*Eunotia praerupta* Ehrenberg  
*Eunotia rhomboidea* Hustedt  
*Eunotia tenella* (Grunow) Hustedt  
*Fallacia vitrea* (Østrup) D.G.Mann  
*Fragilaria brevistriata* Grunow  
*Fragilaria capucina* Desmazières  
***Fragilaria construens* (Ehrenberg) Grunow**  
*Fragilaria tenera* var. *nanana* (Lange-Bertalot) Lange-Bertalot & S.Ulrich  
*Fragilariforma exigua* (Grunow) M.G.Kelly  
***Frustulia saxonica* Rabenhorst**  
*Gomphonema acuminatum* Ehrenberg  
*Gomphonema gracile* Ehrenberg

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*Gomphonema parvulum*(Kützing) Kützing  
*Hantzschia* sp.  
*Chamaepinnularia mediocris* (Krasske) Lange-Bertalot & Krammer  
*Chamaepinnularia soehrensii* (Krasske) Lange-Bertalot & Krammer  
***Kobayasiella* sp.**  
*Kobayasiella subtilissima* (Cleve) Lange-Bertalot  
*Meridion circulare* (Greville) C.Agardh  
*Neidium bisulcatum* (Lagerstedt) Cleve  
*Nitzschia dissipata* (Kützing) Rabenhorst  
***Nitzschia* sp. 1**  
*Nitzschia* sp. 2  
*Nitzschia* sp. 3  
*Nitzschia* sp. 4  
*Pinnularia* cf. *frequentis* Krammer  
*Pinnularia gibbiformis* Krammer  
*Pinnularia interrupta* W.Smith  
***Pinnularia macilenta* Ehrenberg**  
***Pinnularia pseudogibba* Krammer**  
***Pinnularia rhombarea* Krammer**  
*Pinnularia rupestris* Hantzsch  
*Pinnularia* sp.  
*Pinnularia subcapitata* var. *elongata* Krammer  
*Pinnularia viridiformis* Krammer  
*Placoneis* cf. *explanata* (Hustedt) Lange-Bertalot  
*Rhopalodia gibba* (Ehrenberg) Otto Müller  
*Staurosirella leptostauron* (Ehrenberg) D.M.Williams & Round  
*Staurosirella pinnata* (Ehrenberg) D.M.Williams & Round  
*Stenopterobia curvula* (W.Smith) Krammer  
*Stenopterobia delicatissima* (F.W.Lewis) Brébisson ex Van Heurck  
*Tabellaria fenestrata* (Lyngbye) Kützing  
***Tabellaria flocculosa* (Roth) Kützing**

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**Supplementary Table 4.** Complete results of individual permutational MANOVA tests, partitioning variation in the diatom community structure on a large scale (*i.e.*, among six sampling sites), using the Bray-Curtis similarity index and 9999 permutations. The analysis considered the effect of the *time*, *space*, and *environment* factor groups. \*\*\*  $P < 0.001$ , \*\*  $P < 0.01$ , \*  $P < 0.05$ , n.s.  $P > 0.05$

		<i>df</i>	<i>Sums of squares</i>	<i>F ratio</i>	$R^2$	<i>Adjusted <math>R^2</math></i>	<i>P value</i>
model A-1	environment	3	6.876	15.715	0.255	0.227	***
	space	13	10.147	5.351	0.376	0.260	***
	time	6	1.083	1.237	0.040	0	n.s.
	residuals	61	8.897	–	0.330	–	–
model A-2	time	7	1.096	1.073	0.041	0	n.s.
	environment	2	6.990	23.963	0.259	0.241	***
	space	13	10.019	5.284	0.371	0.254	***
	residuals	61	8.897	–	0.330	–	–
model A-3	space	13	16.199	8.544	0.600	0.526	***
	time	7	1.081	1.059	0.040	0	n.s.
	environment	2	0.825	2.829	0.031	0.007	**
	residuals	61	8.897	–	0.330	–	–

**Supplementary Table 5.** Complete results of individual permutational MANOVA tests, partitioning variation in the diatom community structure on a large scale (*i.e.*, among six sampling sites) using the Bray-Curtis similarity index and 9999 permutations. The analysis considered the effects of individual factors GPS, microhabitat, pH, conductivity, and temperature. \*\*\*  $P < 0.001$ , \*\*  $P < 0.01$ , \*  $P < 0.05$ , n.s.  $P > 0.05$

		<i>df</i>	<i>Sums of squares</i>	<i>F ratio</i>	$R^2$	<i>Adjusted R<sup>2</sup></i>	<i>P value</i>
model B-1	pH	1	6.054	40.646	0.224	0.215	***
	conductivity	1	0.499	3.349	0.019	0.007	*
	temperature	1	0.323	2.169	0.012	0	n.s.
	microhabitat	1	0.334	2.243	0.012	0	n.s.
	GPS	12	9.813	5.490	0.363	0.256	***
	residuals	67	9.980	–	0.370	–	–
model B-2	GPS	12	15.877	8.883	0.588	0.518	***
	pH	1	0.116	0.781	0.004	0	n.s.
	conductivity	1	0.647	4.340	0.024	0.012	**
	temperature	1	0.062	0.417	0.002	0	n.s.
	microhabitat	1	0.321	2.156	0.012	0	n.s.
	residuals	67	9.979	–	0.370	–	–
model B-3	microhabitat	1	0.367	2.462	0.014	0.002	n.s.
	GPS	12	15.832	8.858	0.586	0.516	***
	pH	1	0.116	0.782	0.004	0	n.s.
	conductivity	1	0.642	4.311	0.024	0.012	**
	temperature	1	0.065	0.436	0.002	0	n.s.
	residuals	67	9.979	–	0.370	–	–
model B-4	temperature	1	0.137	0.921	0.005	0	n.s.
	microhabitat	1	0.356	2.391	0.013	0.001	n.s.
	GPS	12	15.825	8.854	0.586	0.516	***
	pH	1	0.119	0.802	0.004	0	n.s.
	conductivity	1	0.585	3.924	0.022	0.010	**
	residuals	67	9.979	–	0.370	–	–
model B-5	conductivity	1	3.286	22.064	0.122	0.110	***
	temperature	1	0.234	1.569	0.009	0	n.s.
	microhabitat	1	0.387	2.596	0.014	0.002	*
	GPS	12	12.969	7.256	0.480	0.392	***
	pH	1	0.147	0.985	0.005	0	n.s.
	residuals	67	9.979	–	0.370	–	–