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Spatiotemporal dynamics of benthic macrofaunal assemblages and environmental drivers in the Nan'ou River Basin, China

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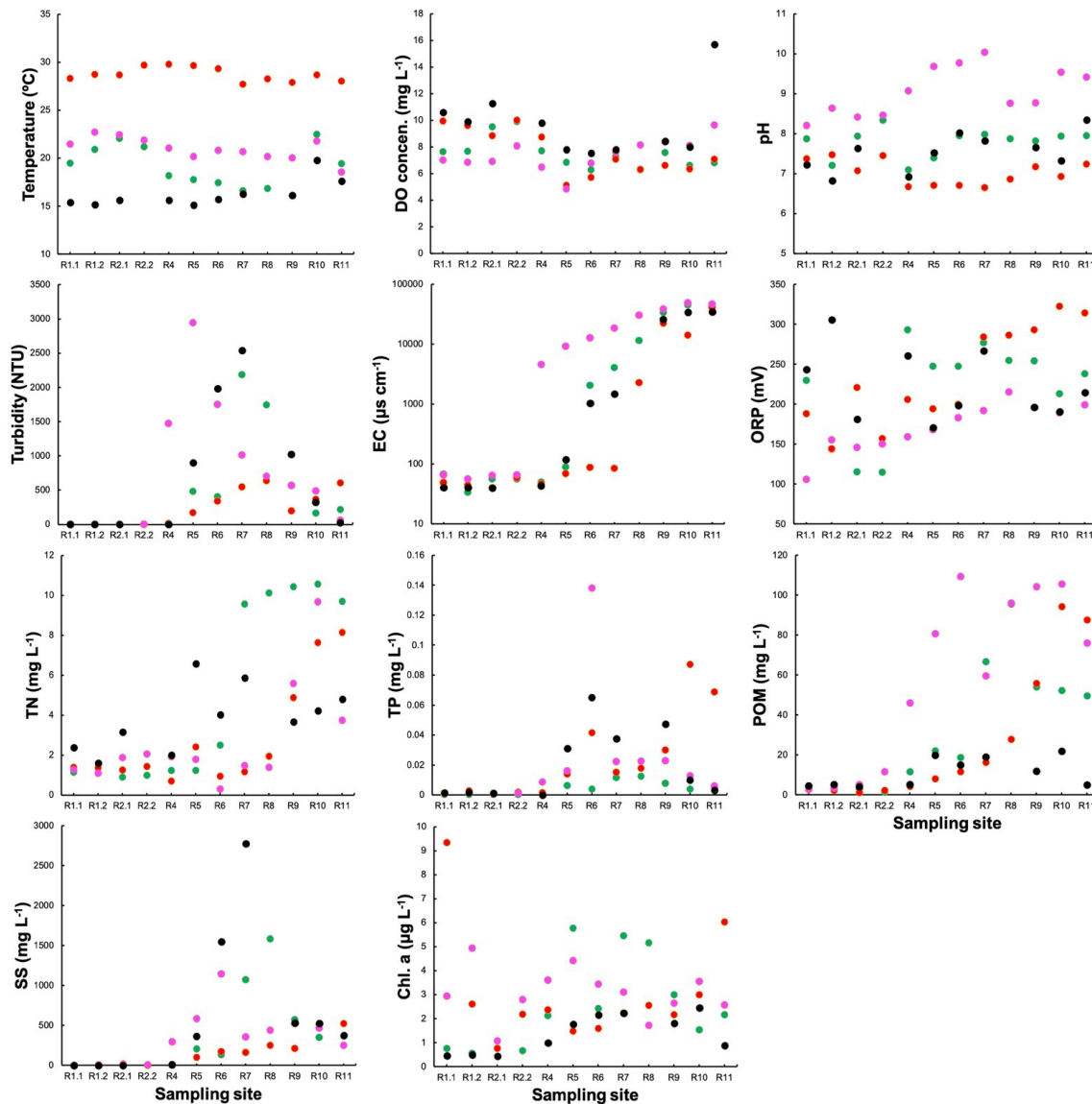
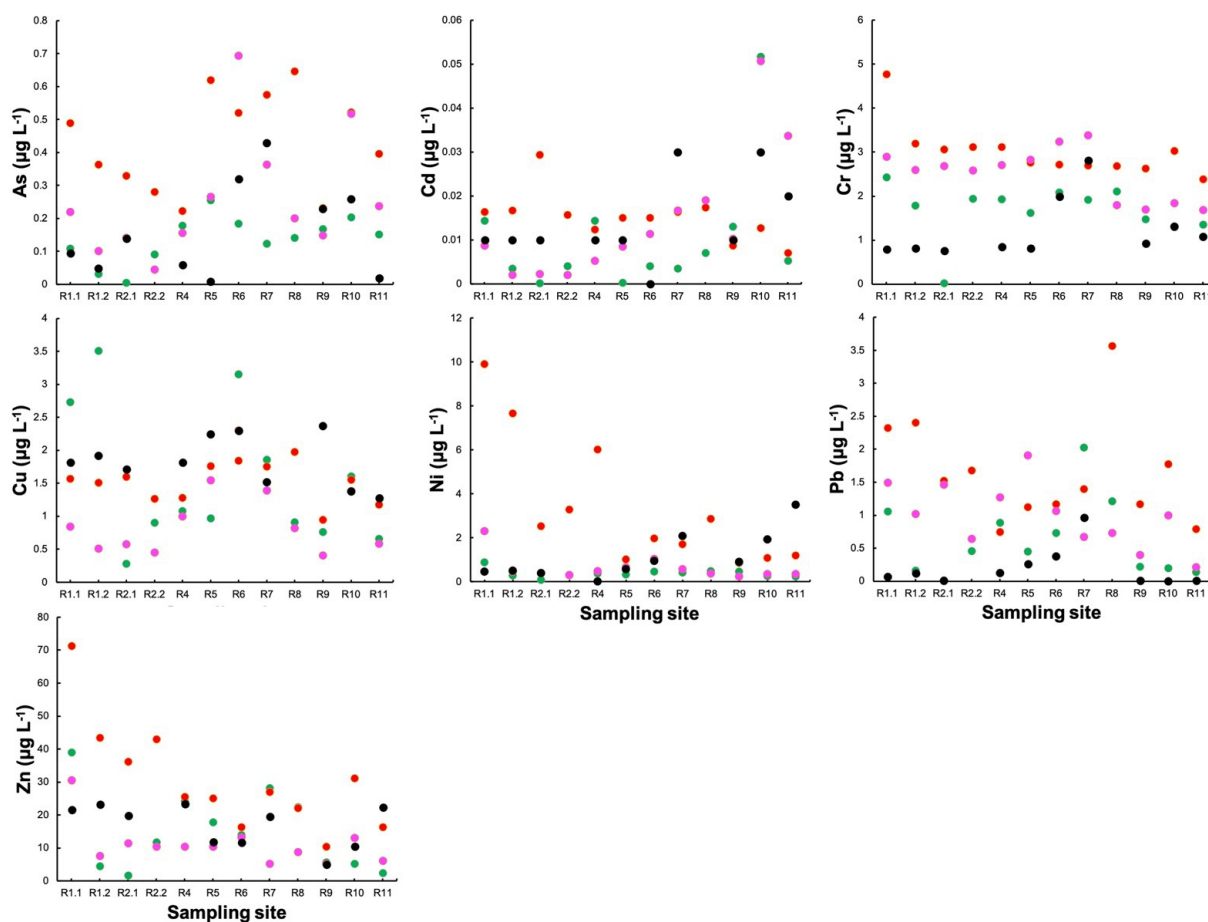


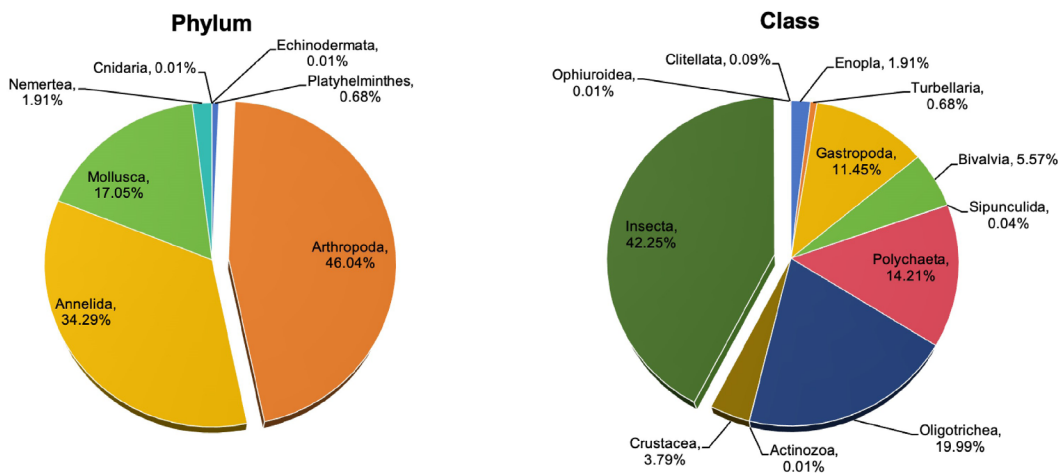
Figure S1. Environmental parameters during the investigation periods in the Nan'ou River Basin

Notes: Green: Spring; Red: Summer; Magenta: Autumn; Black: Winter.

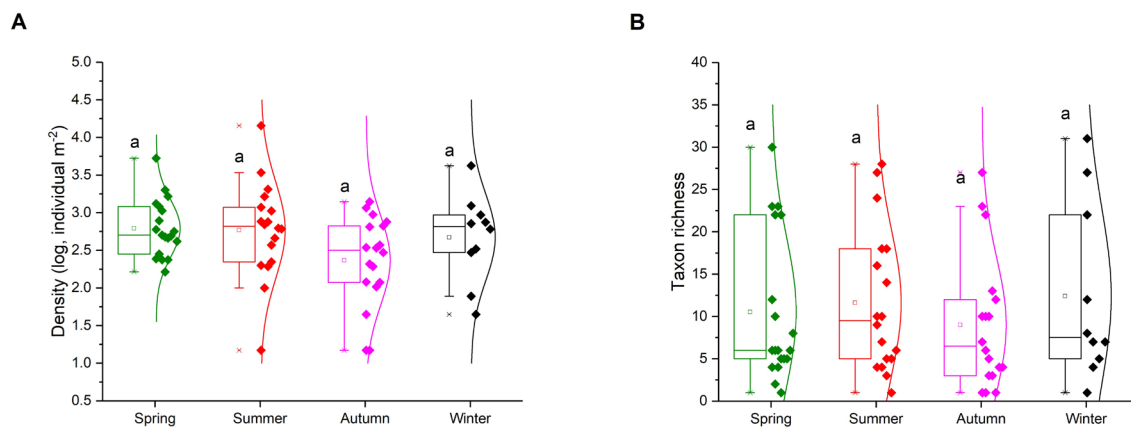
Abbreviations: Chl. a: Chlorophyll a; DO: Dissolved oxygen; EC: Electrical conductivity; NTU: Nephelometric turbidity unit; ORP: Oxidation–reduction potential; POM: Particulate organic matter; SS: Suspended solid materials; TN: Total nitrogen; TP: Total phosphate.



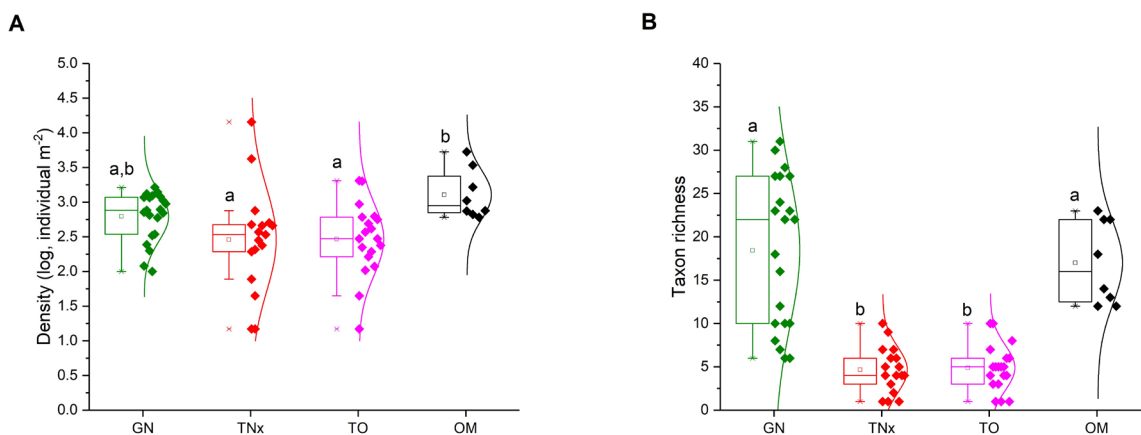
**Figure S2.** Heavy metal concentrations during the investigation periods in the Nan'ou River Basin  
Notes: Green: Spring; Red: Summer; Magenta: Autumn; Black: Winter.  
Abbreviations: As: Arsenic; Cd: Cadmium; Cr: Chromium; Cu: Copper; Ni: Nickel; Pb: Lead; Zn: Zinc.



**Figure S3.** Composition of large benthic animals at the phylum and class levels in the Nanxijiang and Oujiang Rivers



**Figure S4.** Seasonal changes in population density (A) and taxon richness (B) of large benthic animals in the Nanxijiang and Oujiang Rivers  
Note: The same letters above boxes indicate no significant differences among groups at the significance level of  $p < 0.05$ .



**Figure S5.** Population density (A) and taxon richness (B) of large benthic animals among four different regions in Nanxijiang and Oujiang Rivers  
Note: The same letters above boxes indicate no significant differences among groups at the significance level of  $p < 0.05$ .  
Abbreviations: GN: Gravel-bed region of Nanxijiang River; OM: Oujiang River Mouth; TNx: Tidal region of Nanxijiang River; TO: Tidal region of Oujiang River.

Table S1. Geographical distribution of 12 survey sites in the Nan'ou River Basin, Zhejiang Province, China

Sampling site	Site name	Location		
		Altitude	Longitude	Latitude
R1-1	Tongzhou Dian	44 m	120°39'40.7016" E	28°16'18.3972" N
R1-2	Xiangzhang Huayuan	21 m	120°42'30.0564" E	28°15'48.3516" N
R2-1	Nanxijiang River Campsite	28 m	120°44'53.6676" E	28°17'54.2904" N
R2-2	Shizhu Zhan	25 m	120°44'51.6012" E	28°16'23.5380" N
R4	Shatou Zhen	9 m	120°45'37.7352" E	28°12'9.3456" N
R5	Shangtang Zhen	2 m	120°41'46.3992" E	28°8'57.5592" N
R6	Oubei Zhen Huangtian Jiedao	1 m	120°41'58.254" E	28°4'43.6656" N
R7	Oubei Matou	0 m	120°39'27.756" E	28°2'5.9244" N
R8	Laotubei Matou	0 m	120°46'15.1643" E	28°0'56.7504" N
R9	Lingkun Matou	0 m	120°53'27.0419" E	27°58'45.7068" N
R10	Lingni Beidi (south)	0 m	121°1'16.3704" E	27°53'36.2183" N
R11	Lingni Beidi (north)	0 m	121°0'55.7208" E	27°54'1.0331" N

Table S2. Geographical characteristics at 12 survey sites in the Nan'ou River Basin, Zhejiang Province, China

Sampling sites	Distance from the river mouth (km)	Accumulated watershed area (km <sup>2</sup> )	Channel gradient (%)	Channel width (m)	Average depth (m)	Average flow speed (m s <sup>-1</sup> )	Bed substrate
Gravel-bed region (Nanxijiang River)							
R1-1	62.8	409.5	0.40	100	0.19 (0.10)	0.53 (1.14)	Sand, pebble
R1-2	58.3	459.0	0.37	82	0.18 (0.07)	0.78 (0.63)	Sand, pebble
R2-1	60.5	1,057.1	0.57	103	0.18	0.59	Sand, pebble
R2-2	57.4	1,103.5	0.54	137	0.23	0.67	Sand, pebble
Tidal region (Nanxijiang River)							
R4	49.6	1,747.4	0.10	235	–	0.35	Sand, pebble, mud
R5	41.0	1,867.7	0.07	203	–	0.21	Mud
R6	33.2	2,012.4	0.04	390	–	0.21	Mud
Tidal region (Oujiang River)							
R7	26.9	17,487.5	0	777	–	0.29	Mud
R8	15.5	17,692.6	0	980	–	0.39	Mud
R9	0	18,023.8	0	1,600	–	0.39	Mud
River mouth (Oujiang River)							
R10	13.5	–	0	–	–	–	Mud
R11	13.1	–	0	–	–	–	Mud