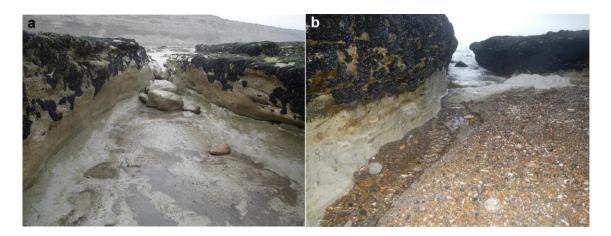
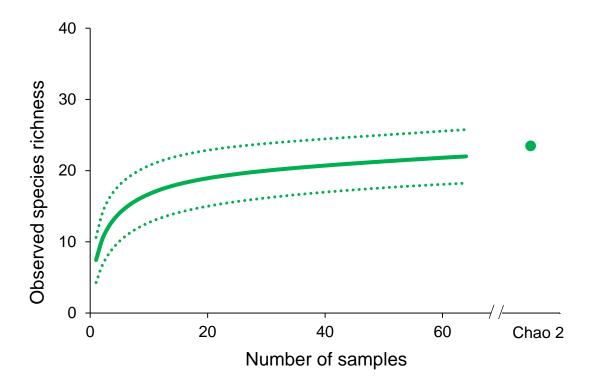
## Supplementary Information



**Figure S1 (a)** Barren rock surface in the lower platform, right under the seaward scarp. **(b)** Sand and gravel accumulation at the lower platform.

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**Figure S2.** Species accumulation curve (continuous line) in mussel beds at the upper platform and 95 % upper and lower confidence intervals (dashed lines). The observed species richness (Sobs) for 64 samples is shown together with the Chao 2 estimate of total species richness (green circle).

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