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S3 Mar. 9-10 The role of small pelagic fish in food web dynamics between plankton and top predators

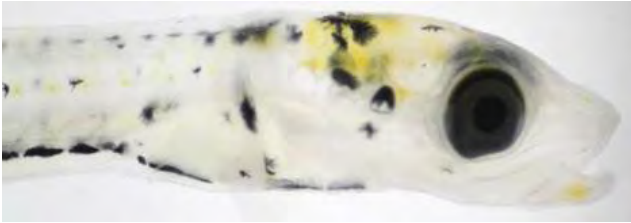
Including fishers



Small pelagic fish as prey or predator

TO EAT, TO BE EATEN, AND A LOT OF QUESTIONS

Susana Garrido



Small pelagic can act as prey, predator, competitor and even.... cannibal



Case study from a variety of ecosystems



Small pelagic fish as predator



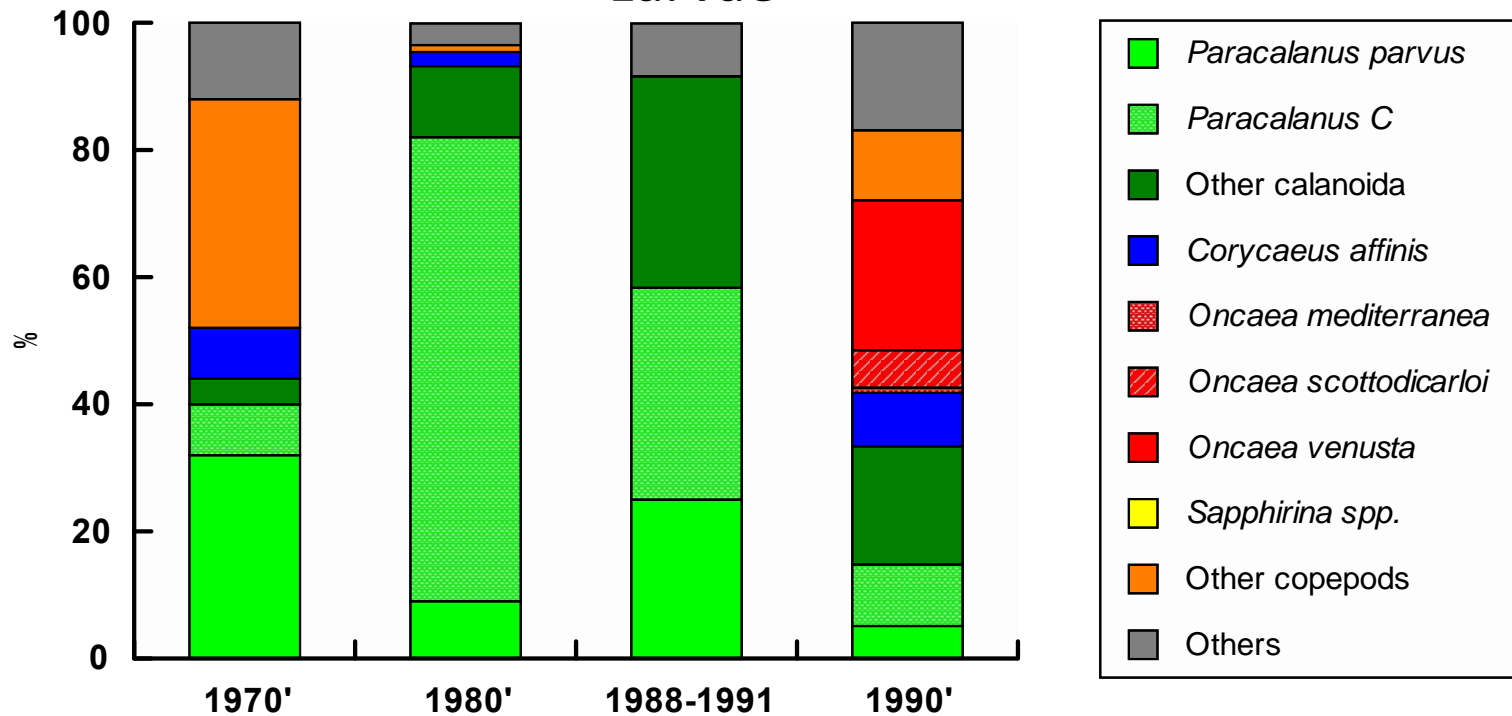
Gaps (S. Garrido): lack of knowledge on larvae feeding



Yuji Okazaki et al.
recovered historical
samples in the Kuroshio-
Oyashio and provide a time
series 1970s - 1990s



Larvae

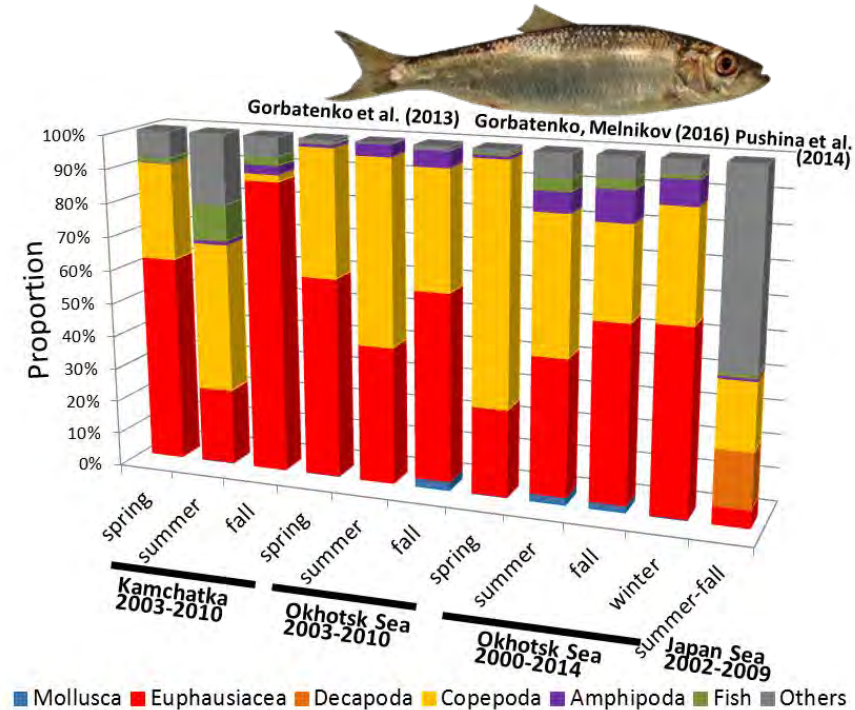
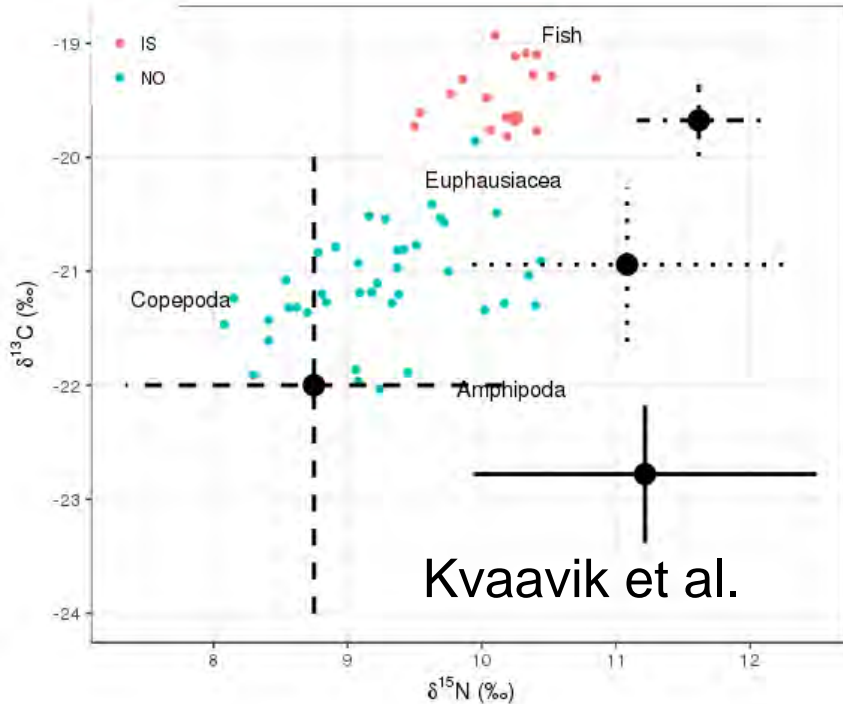


Small pelagic fish as predator

Variety of works focused on SPF prey composition using a different methods

Pakhomov et al.

Stable isotopes analysis



→ Enormous spatiotemporal variability in SPF diet

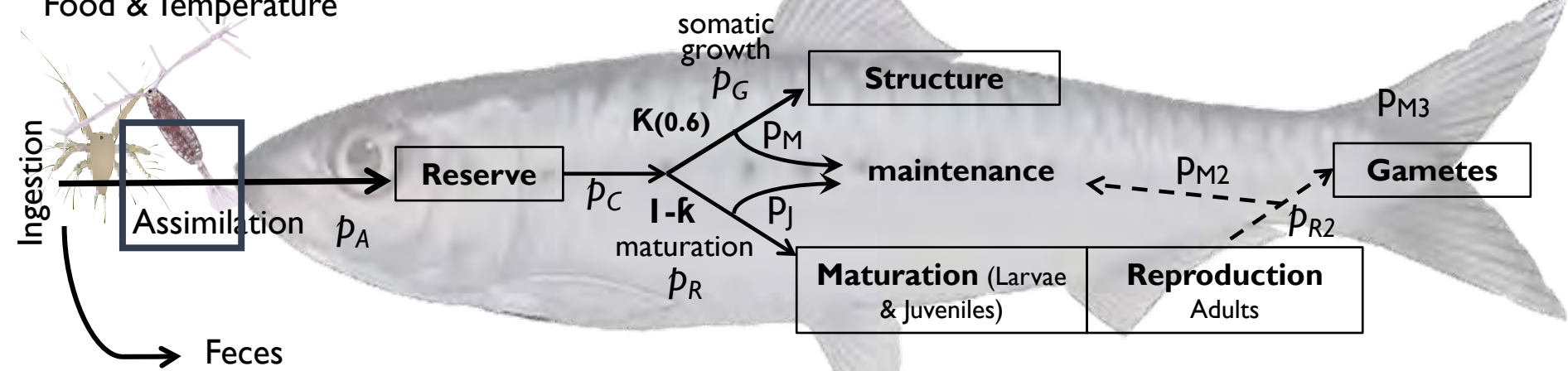
→ Be cautious with constant diet in trophic models

Trophic interaction and energy budget

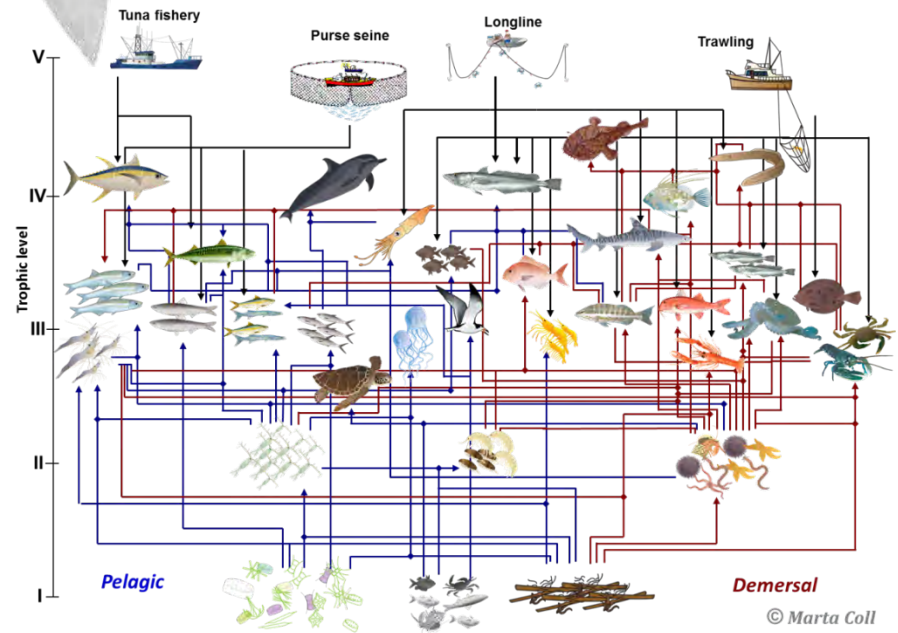
Dynamic Energy Budget Model

Albo-Puigserver et al.

ENVIRONMENT
Food & Temperature

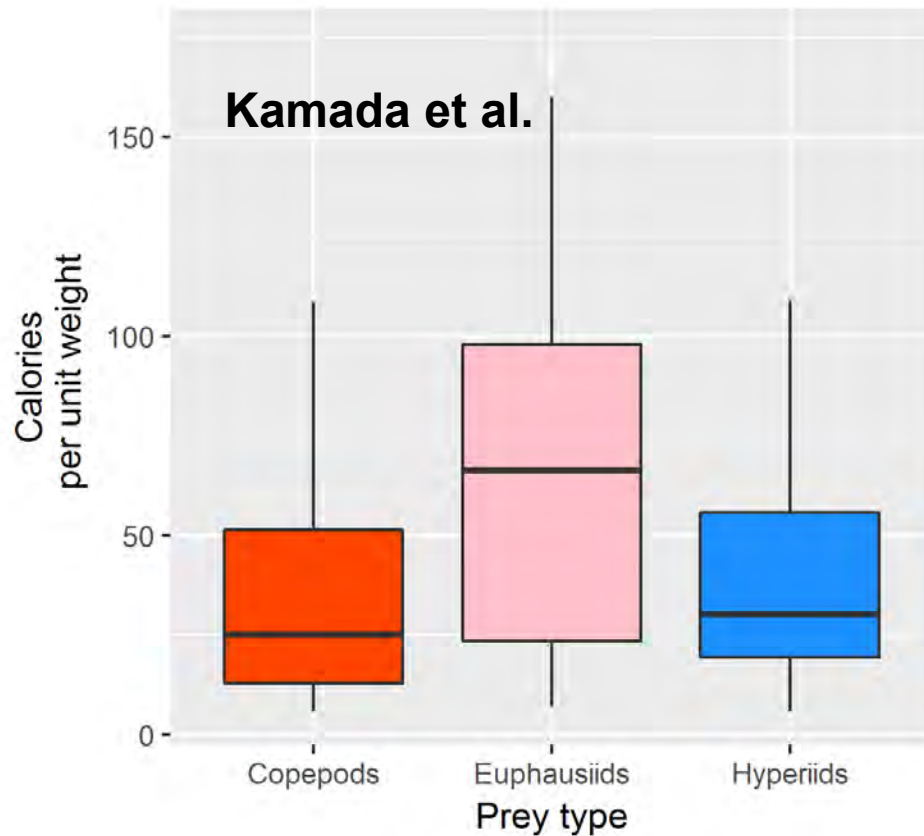


Trophic models

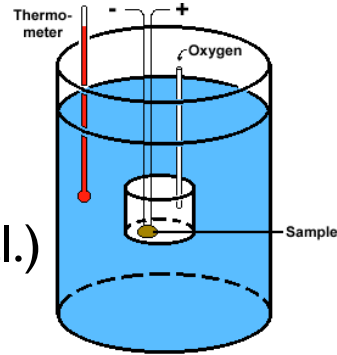


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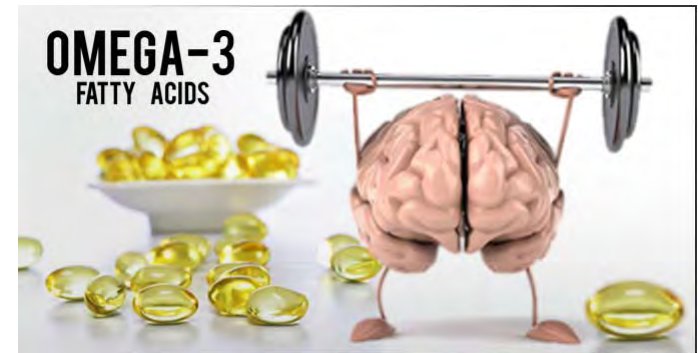
SPF prey are not energetically equal



Energy Density
Bomb calorimetry
(e.g. Albo-Puigserver et al.)



Yona et al.
Prey sources impact omega 3 content → impact on reproduction, etc.



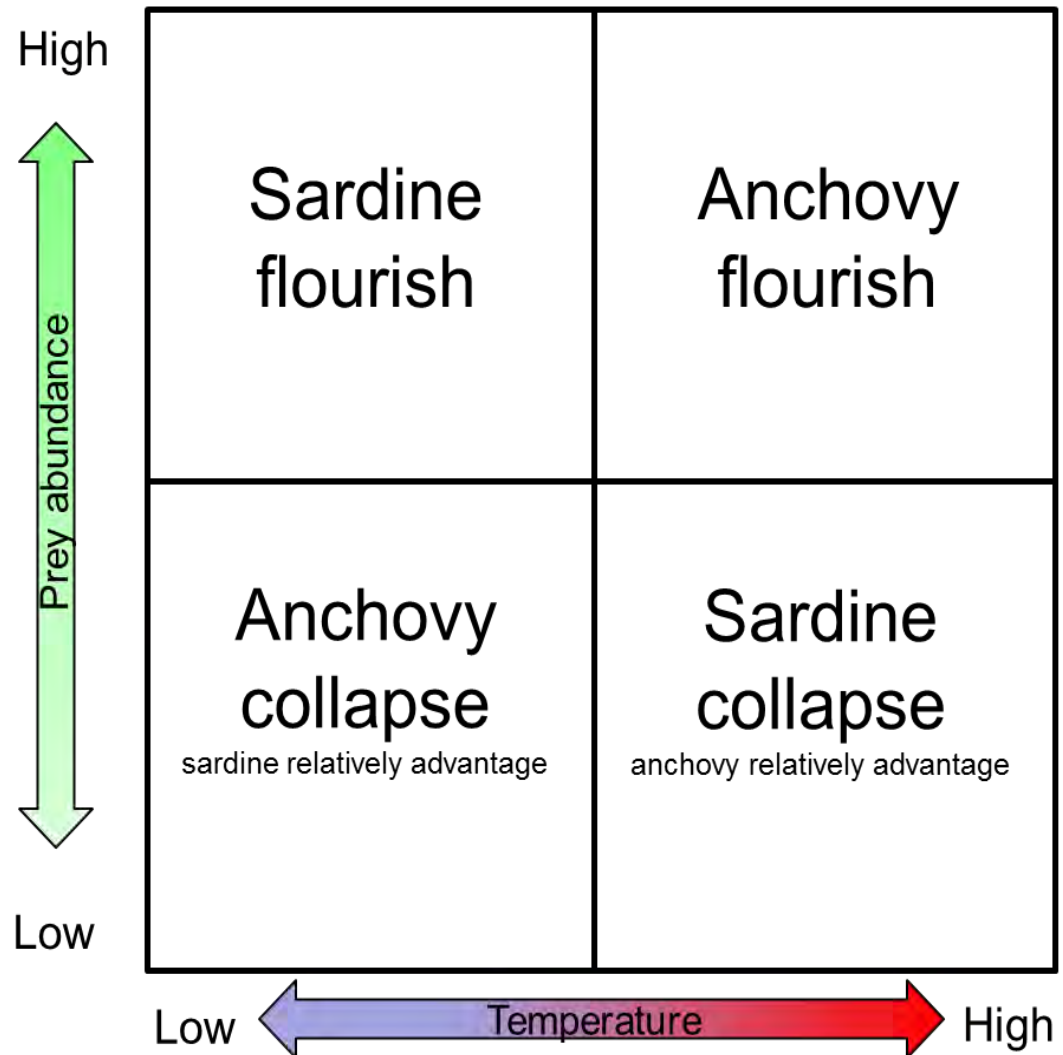
→ Environmentally driven changes in prey composition impact SPF (see other sessions)

Small pelagic fish as predator

Yuji Okazaki et al. in the
Kuroshio-Oyashio system

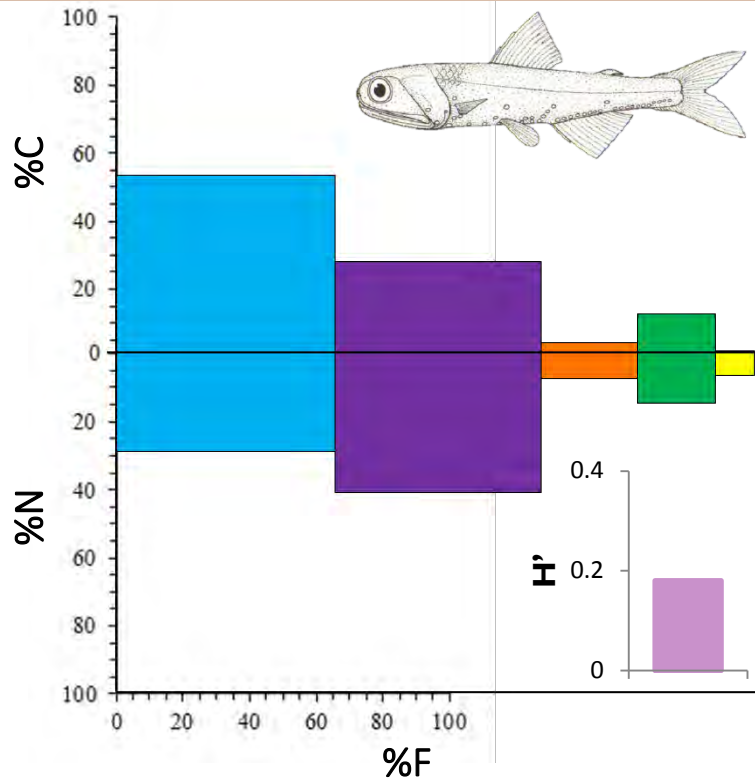
Large scale environmental impacts

Interaction between Temp. and prey abundance

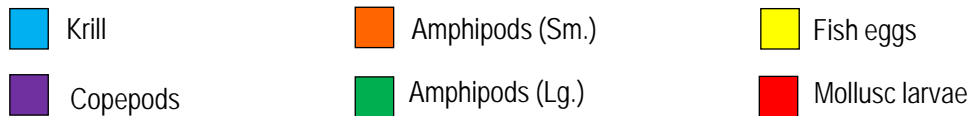
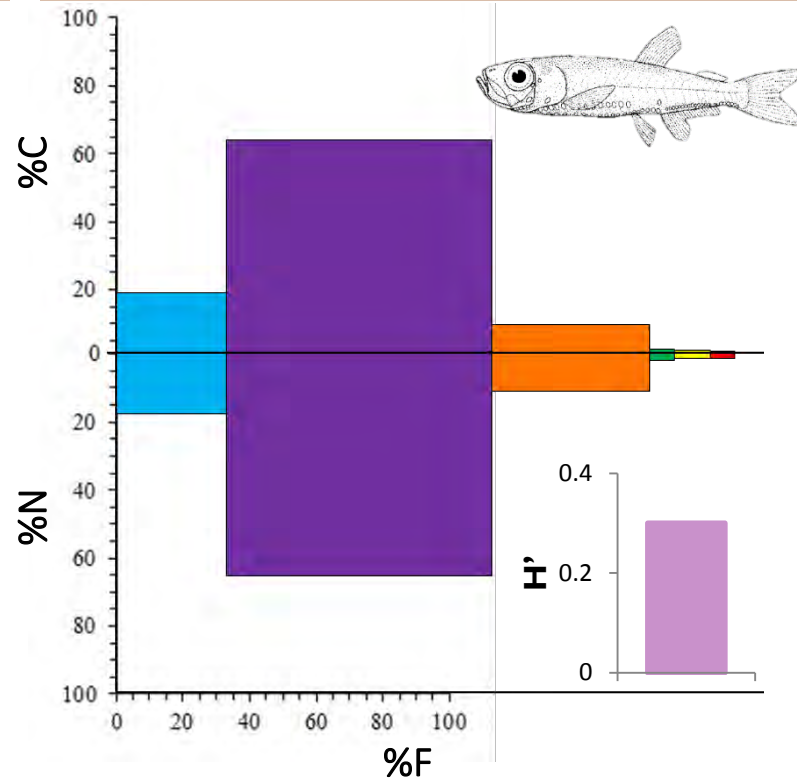


Oceanic small pelagic fish

Lanternfish



Lightfish



Tyler et al.

LANTERNFISH

- Higher trophic position
- Diet derived TL 4.21 ± 0.03
- Macro-zooplanktivore
- More specialized predator

LIGHTFISH

- Lower trophic position
- Diet derived TL 3.85 ± 0.03
- Meso-zooplanktivore
- Opportunistic predator

Small pelagic fish as prey

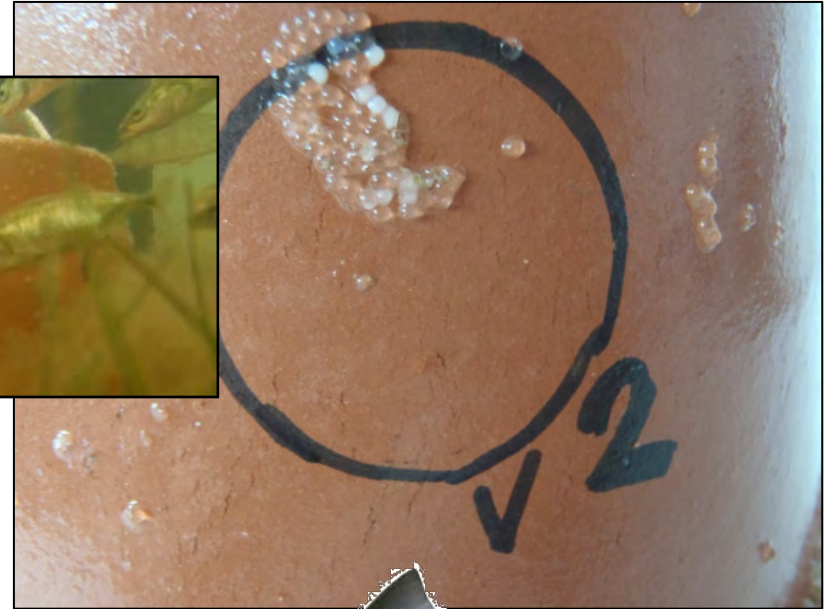


Small pelagic fish as prey

First stages

Predation on herring eggs

Kotterba et al.



Eat an anchovy a day!

t = 0 hours

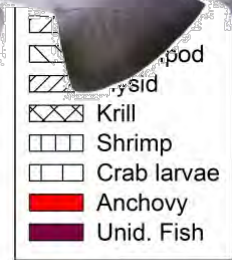
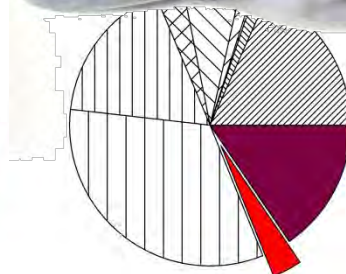
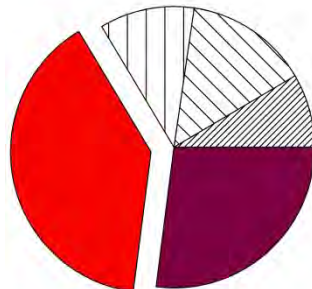
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Chinook Salmon impact on



August - September
1.6 anchovy/day

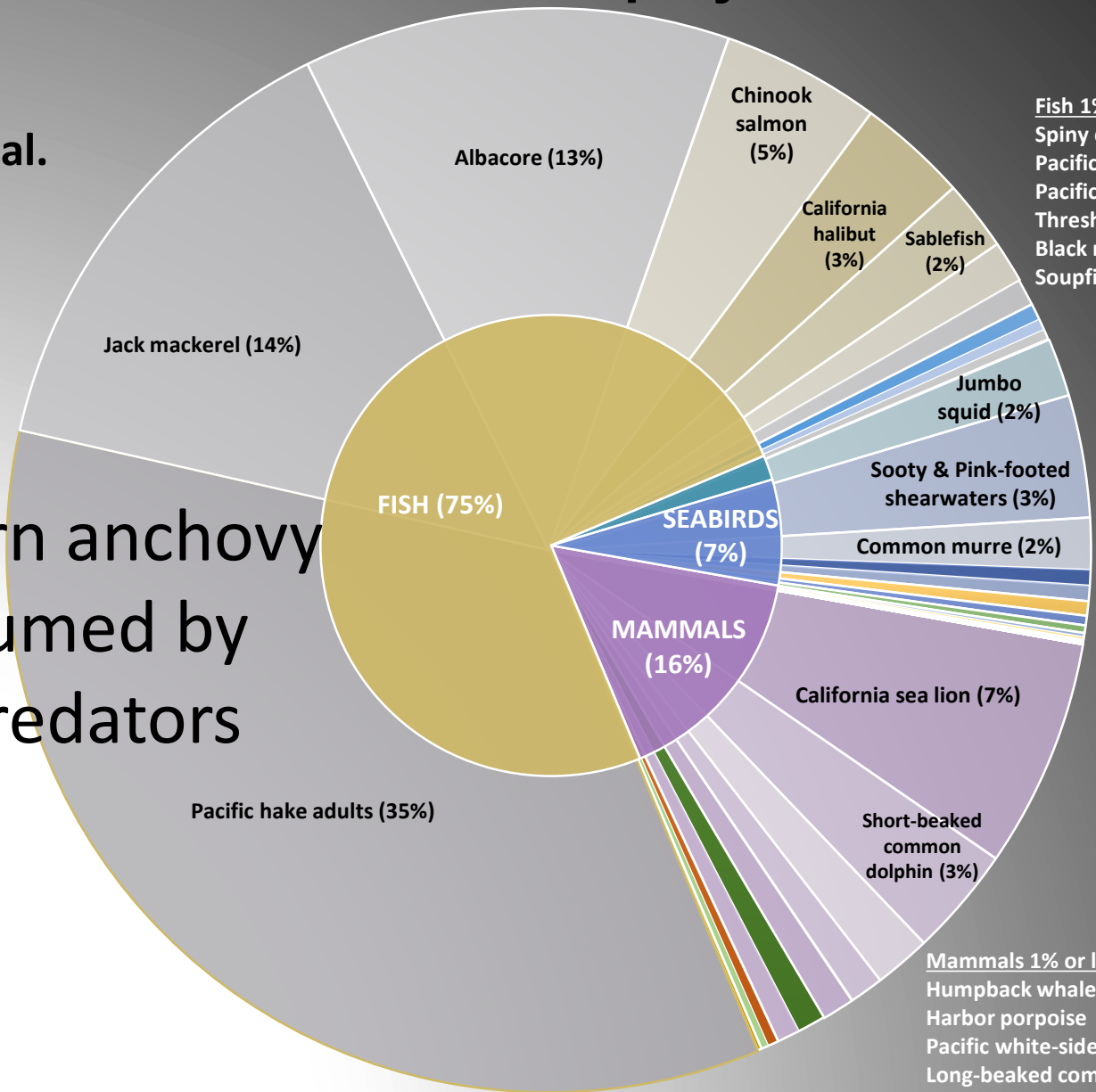
Broder et al.



SPF as prey

Thayer et al.

Northern anchovy consumed by CC predators



- Fish 1% or less
 Spiny dogfish
 Pacific bluefin tuna
 Pacific bonito
 Thresher shark
 Black rockfish
 Soupin shark

- Seabirds 1% or less
 Heermann's gull
 Brown pelican
 Black-vented shearwater
 California gull
 Brandt's cormorant
 Western gull
 Double-crested cormorant
 Caspian tern
 Xantus' murrelet
 Rhinoceros auklet
 Elegant tern
 Least tern
 Marbled murrelet

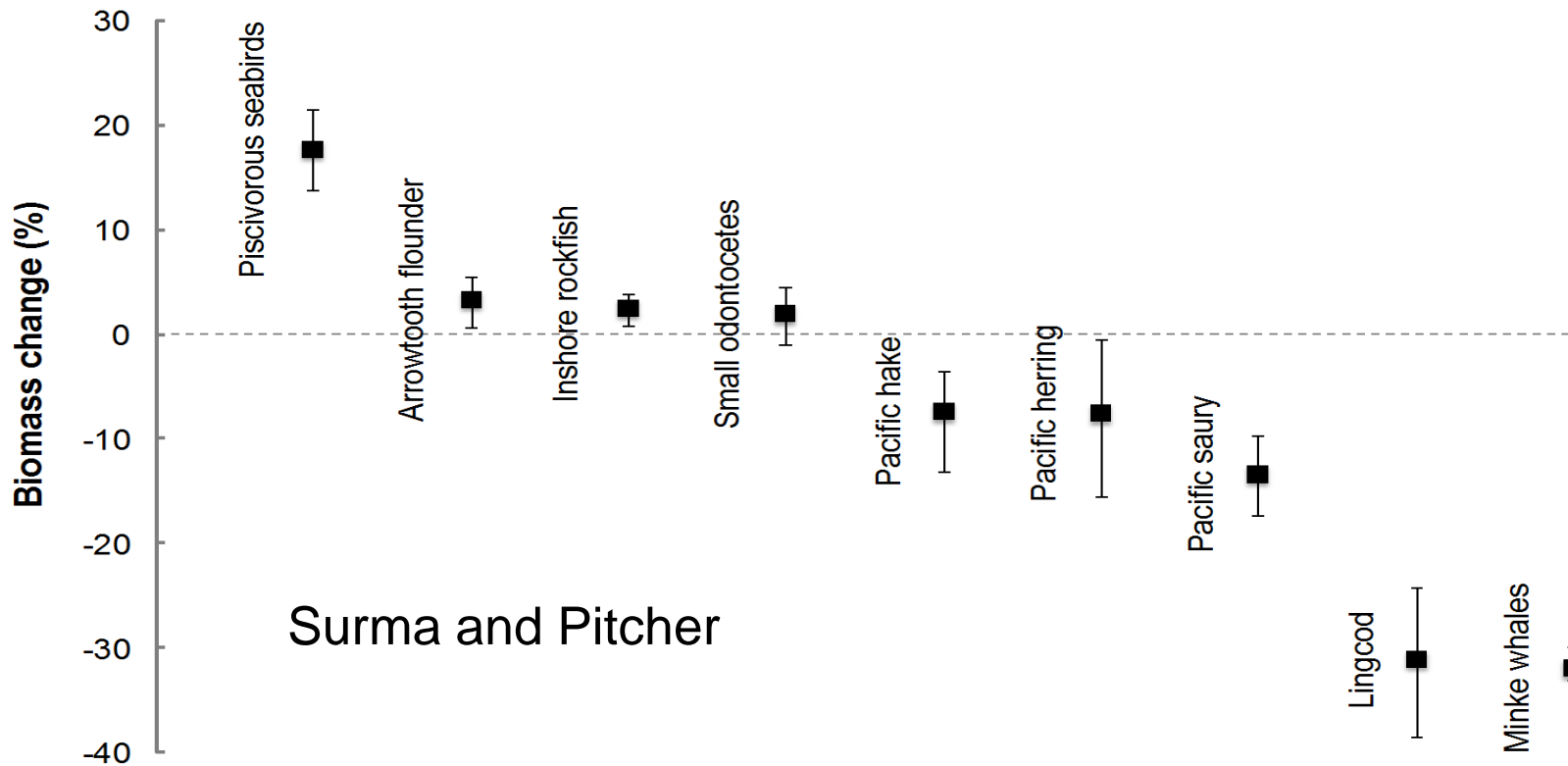
- Mammals 1% or less
 Humpback whale
 Harbor porpoise
 Pacific white-sided dolphin
 Long-beaked common dolphin
 Fin whale
 Harbor seal
 Sperm whale
 Northern fur seal

Predators

Top down effect

Whales recovery may impact:

SPF (including reproduction success see Moran et al.), some piscivores and **local fisheries**.



Surma and Pitcher

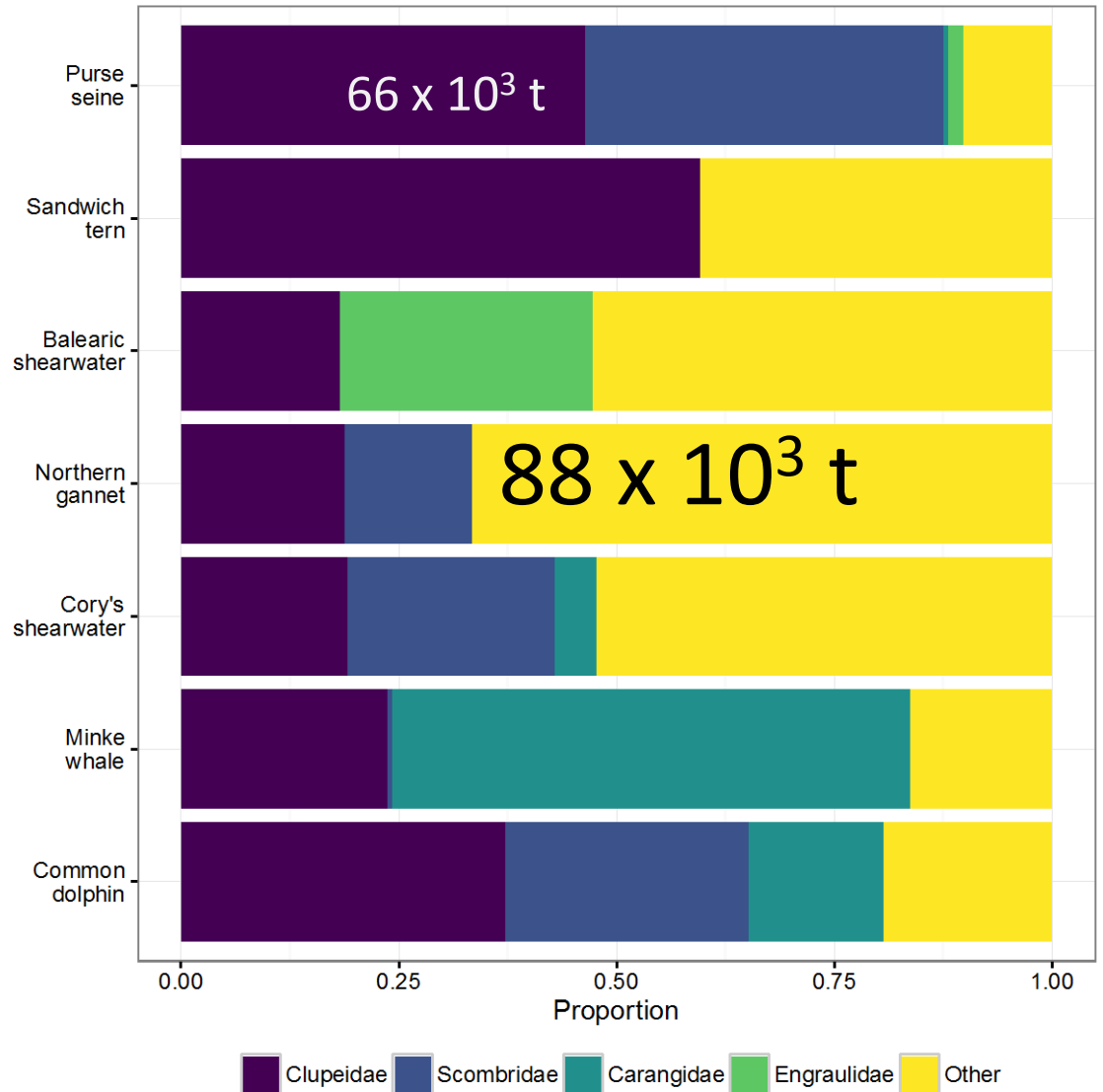
Predators (SPF a prey)

Competition between top predators and fisheries

Natural top predators and fishers do forage on the same prey

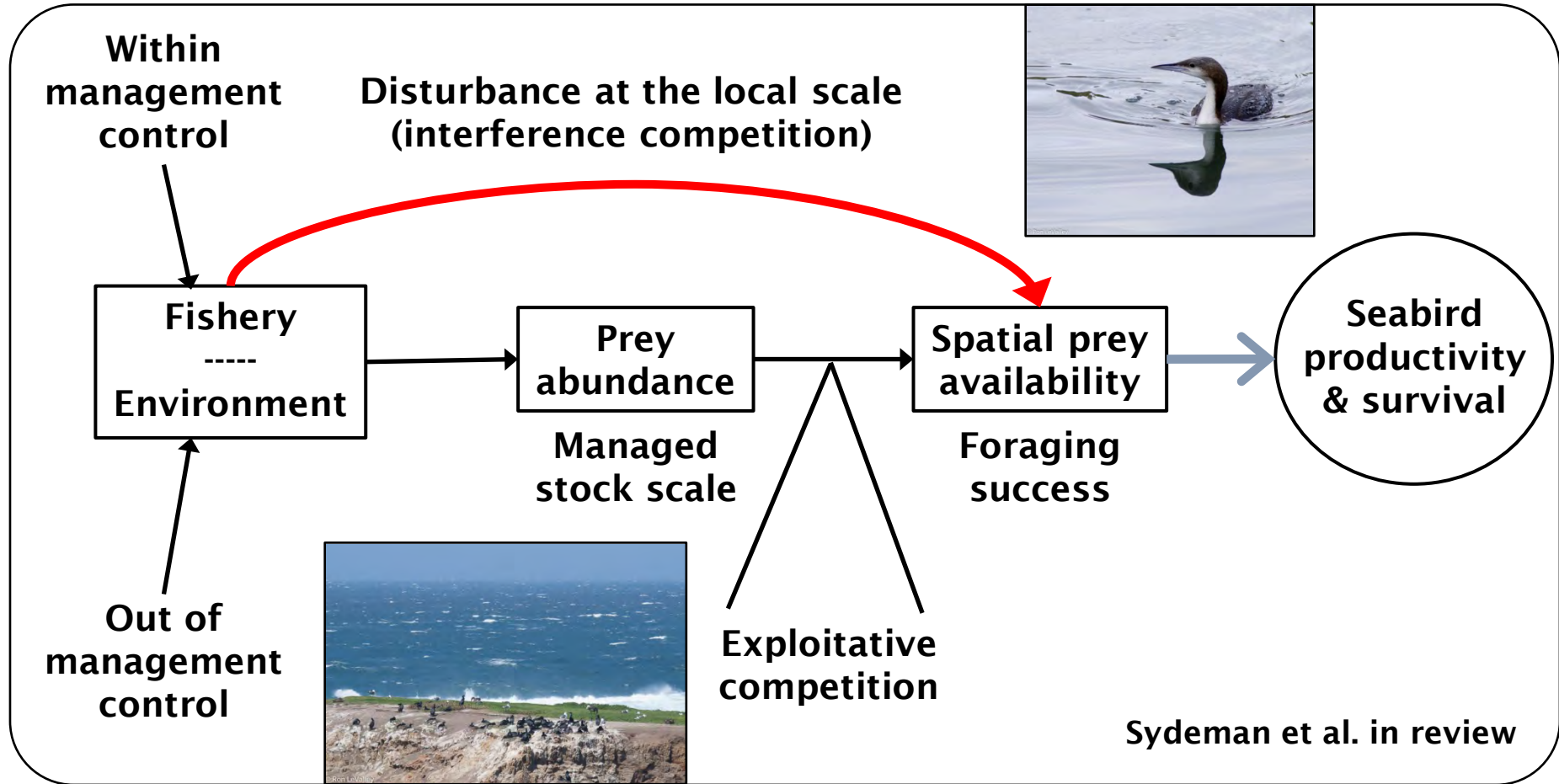
SPF percentage in
the diet or landings

Wise et al.



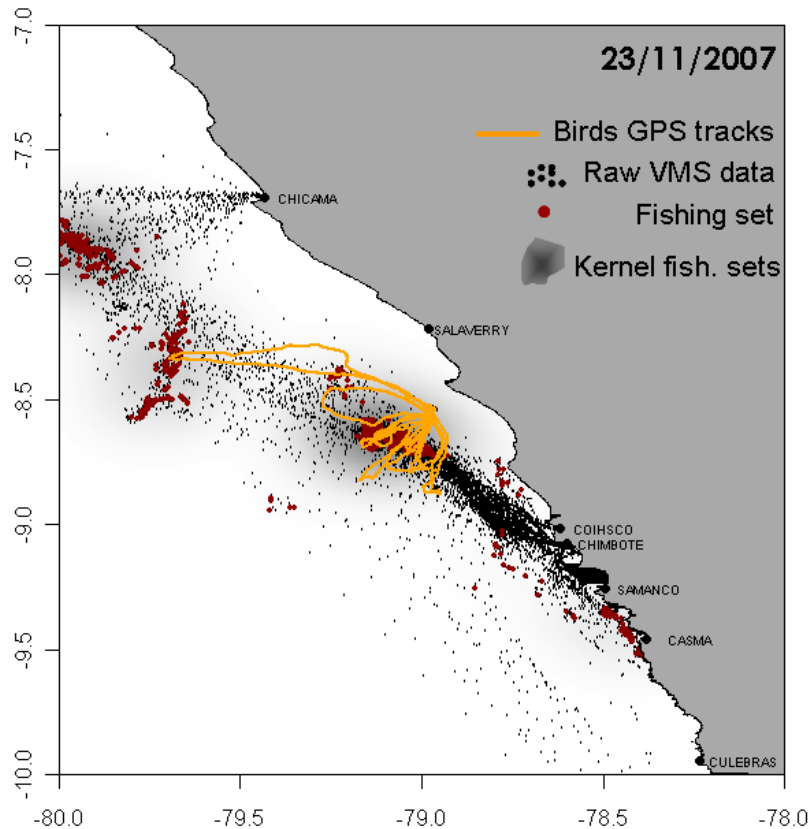
Predators (SPF a prey)

Competition between seabirds and fisheries: framework



Predators (SPF a prey)

Competition between seabirds and fisheries (local scale)

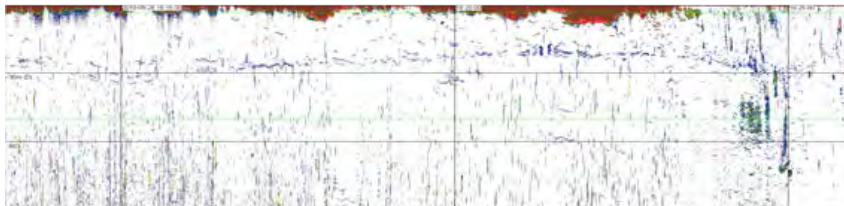
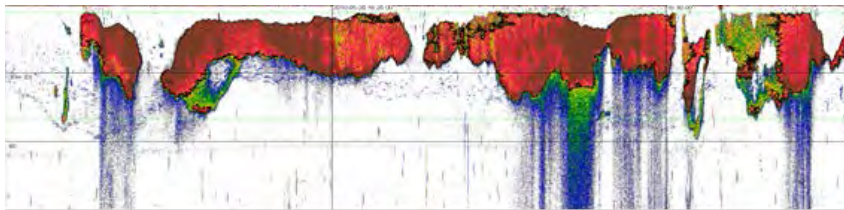


S. Bertrand et al. (2012) JAE

Competition seabirds / fishery
Localized depletions

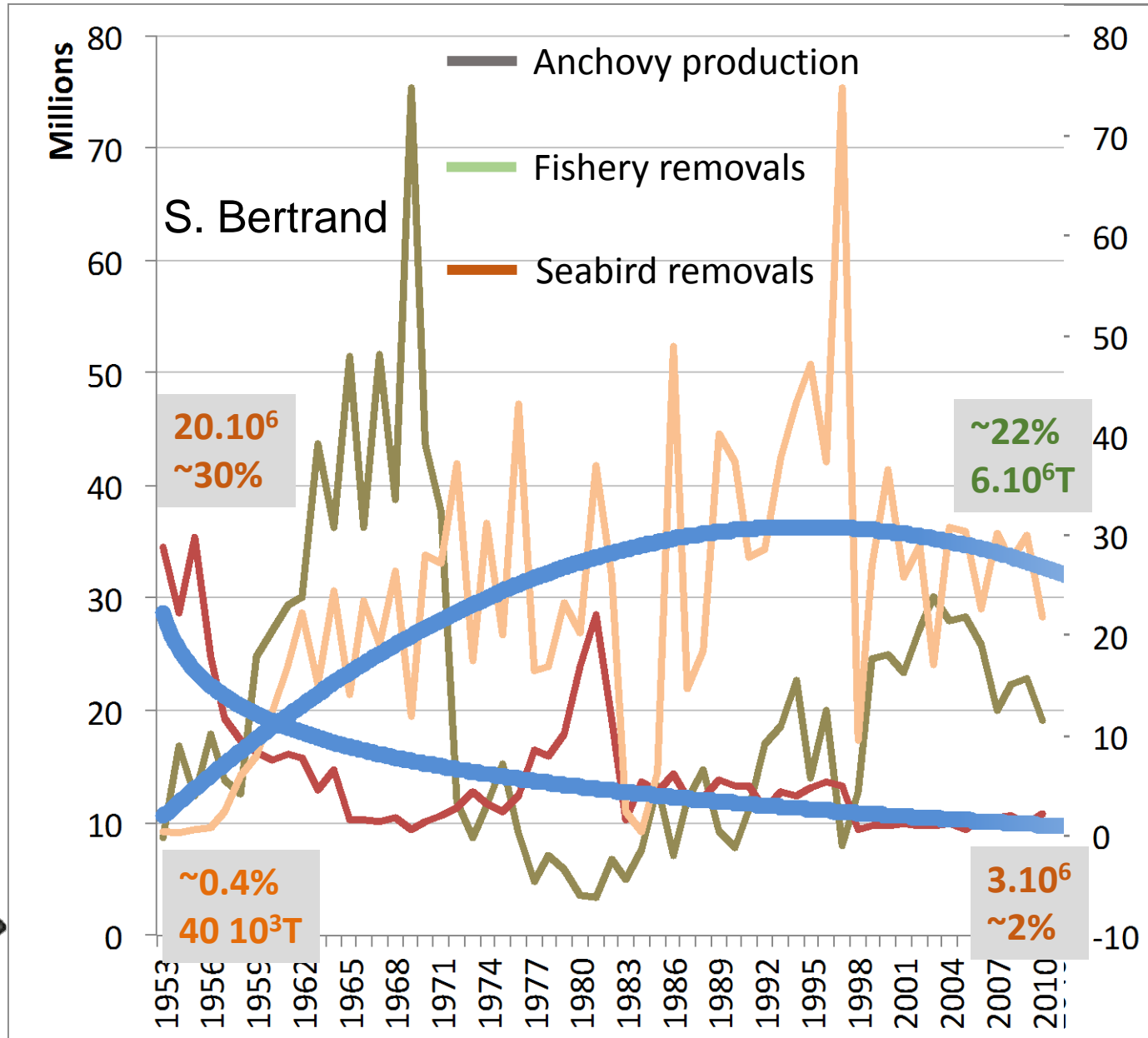


Management recommendation:
Temporal closures around colonies
(reproductive season)



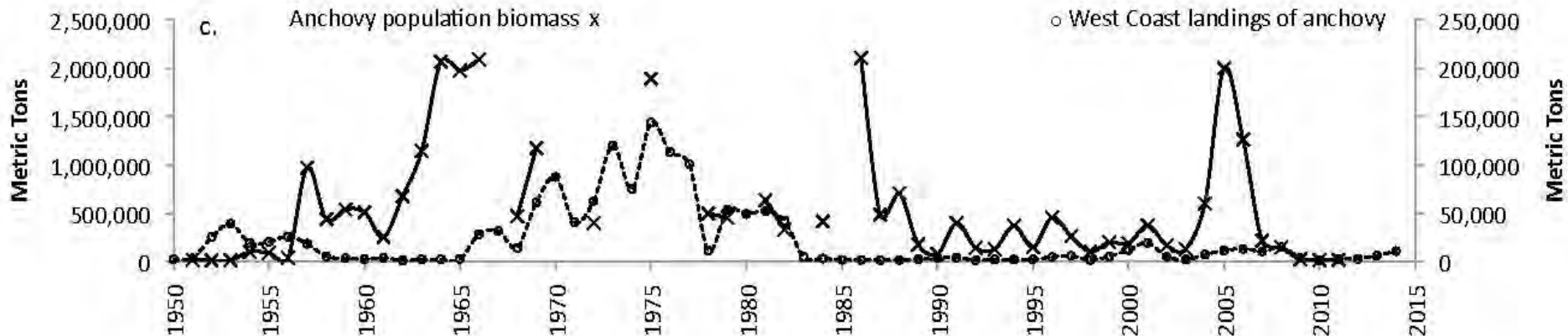
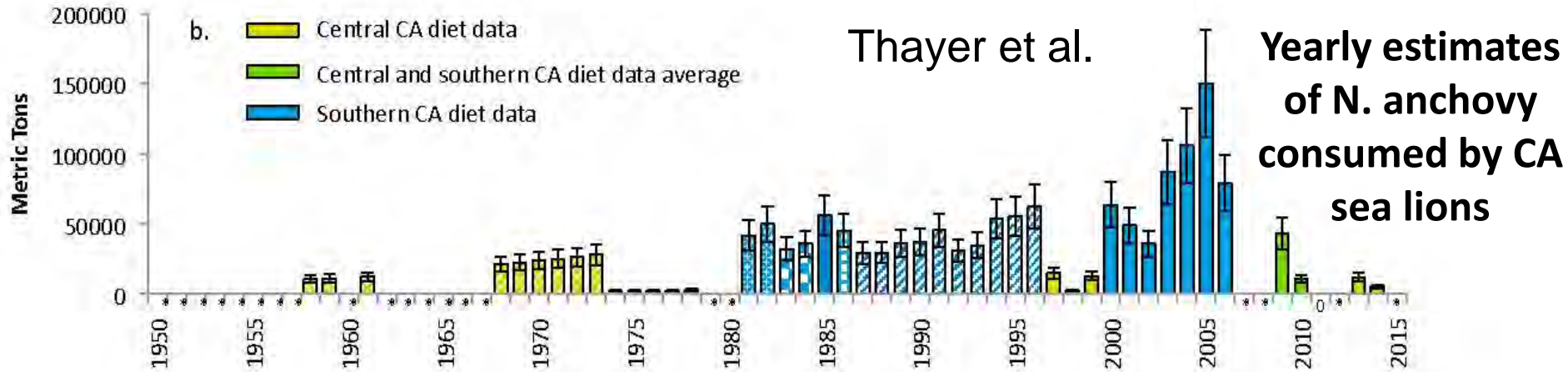
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Competition between top predators and fisheries (large scale)



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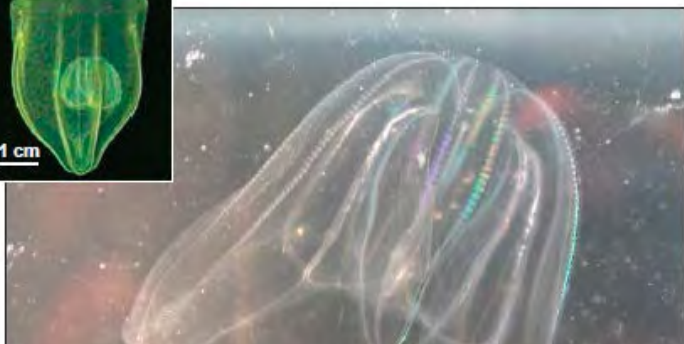
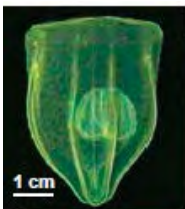


PLANET OF THE Jellyfish

PERSPECTIVES: ECOLOGY

Fall and Rise of the Black Sea Ecosystem

Ahmet E. Kideys



Review

The jellyfish joyride: causes, consequences and management responses to a more gelatinous future

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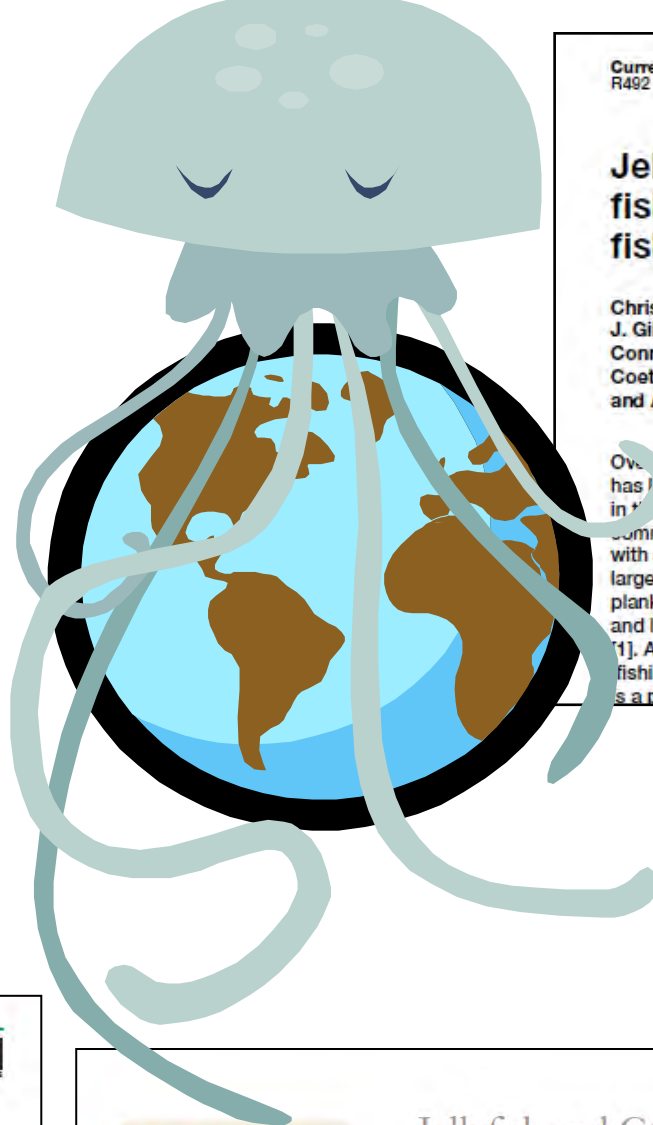
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Jellyfish overtake fish in a heavily fished ecosystem

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Over the past half century fishing has led globally to a reduction in the mean trophic level of commercially landed species, with a significant decline from large predatory fish toward plankton-eating pelagic species and low trophic-level invertebrates [1]. An implied endpoint of this fishing down marine food webs' is a proliferation of previously



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Jellyfish and Ctenophore Blooms Coincide with Human Proliferations and Environmental Perturbations

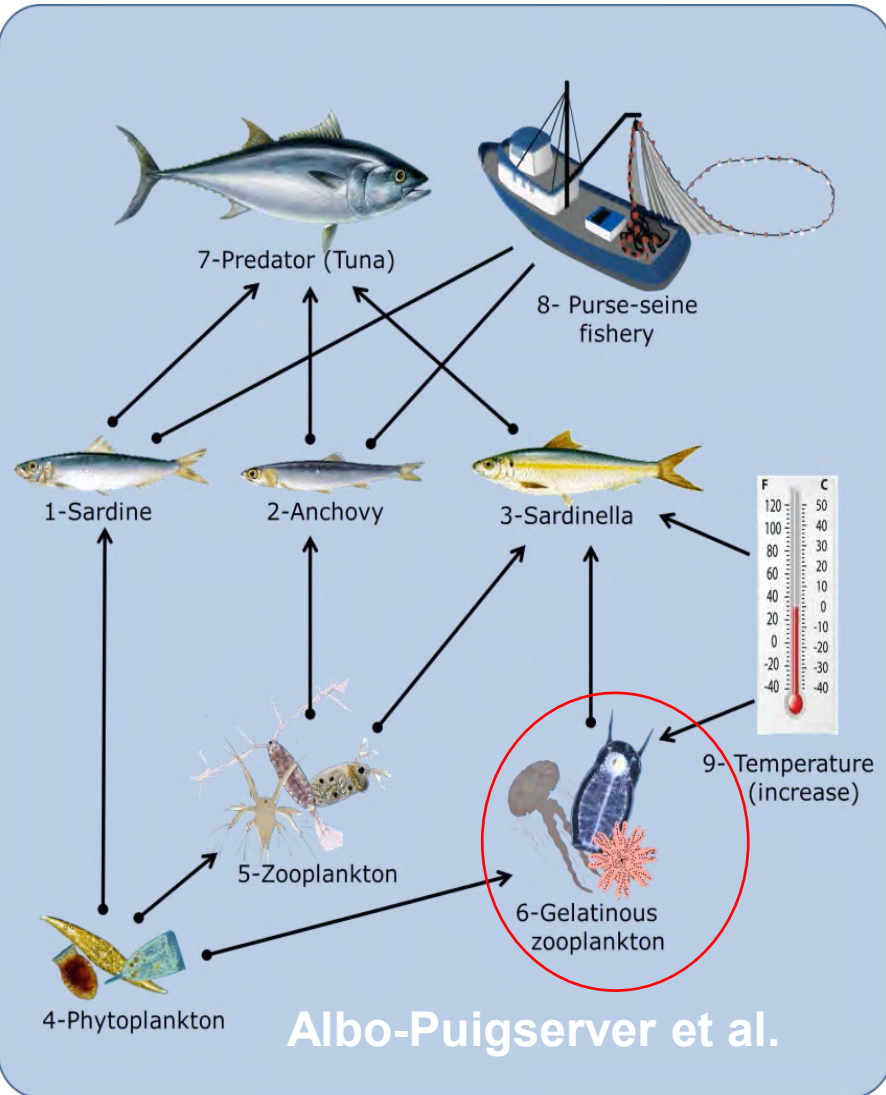
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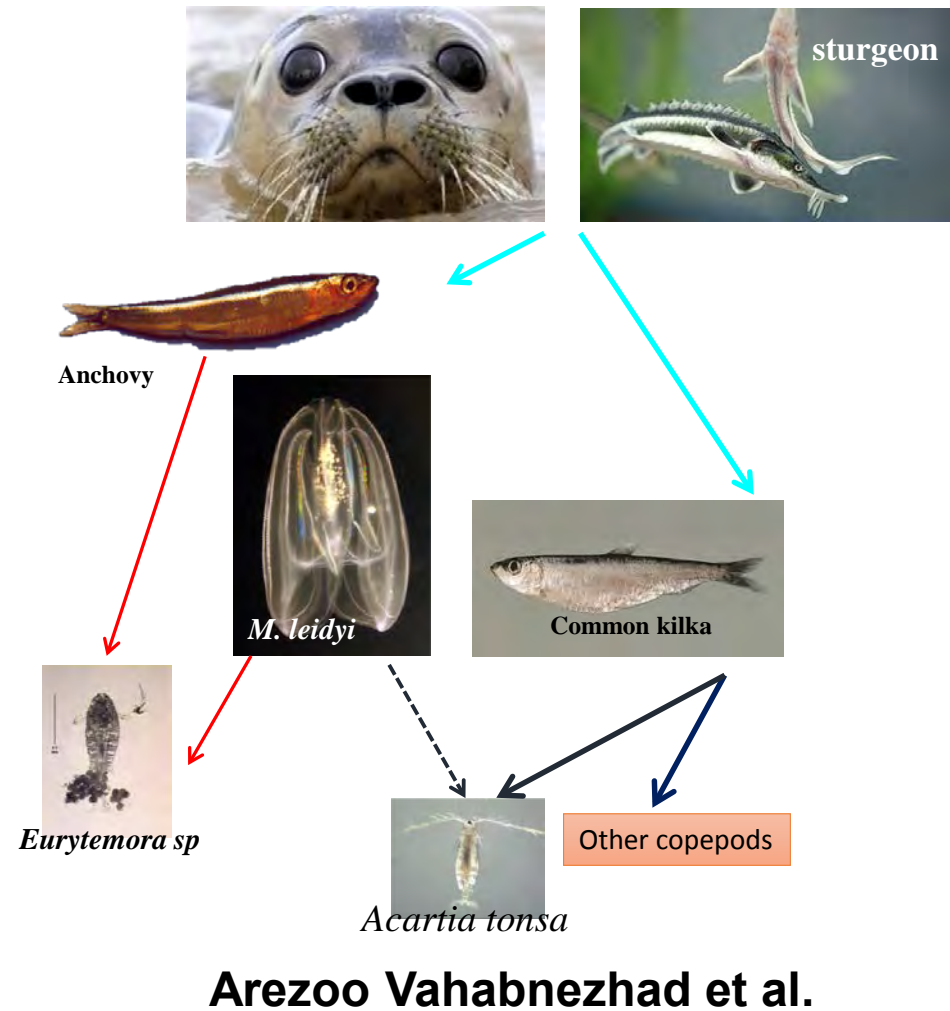
Gelatinous

Increasing role/interest of gelatinous in ecosystem function

Western Mediterranean



Caspian sea

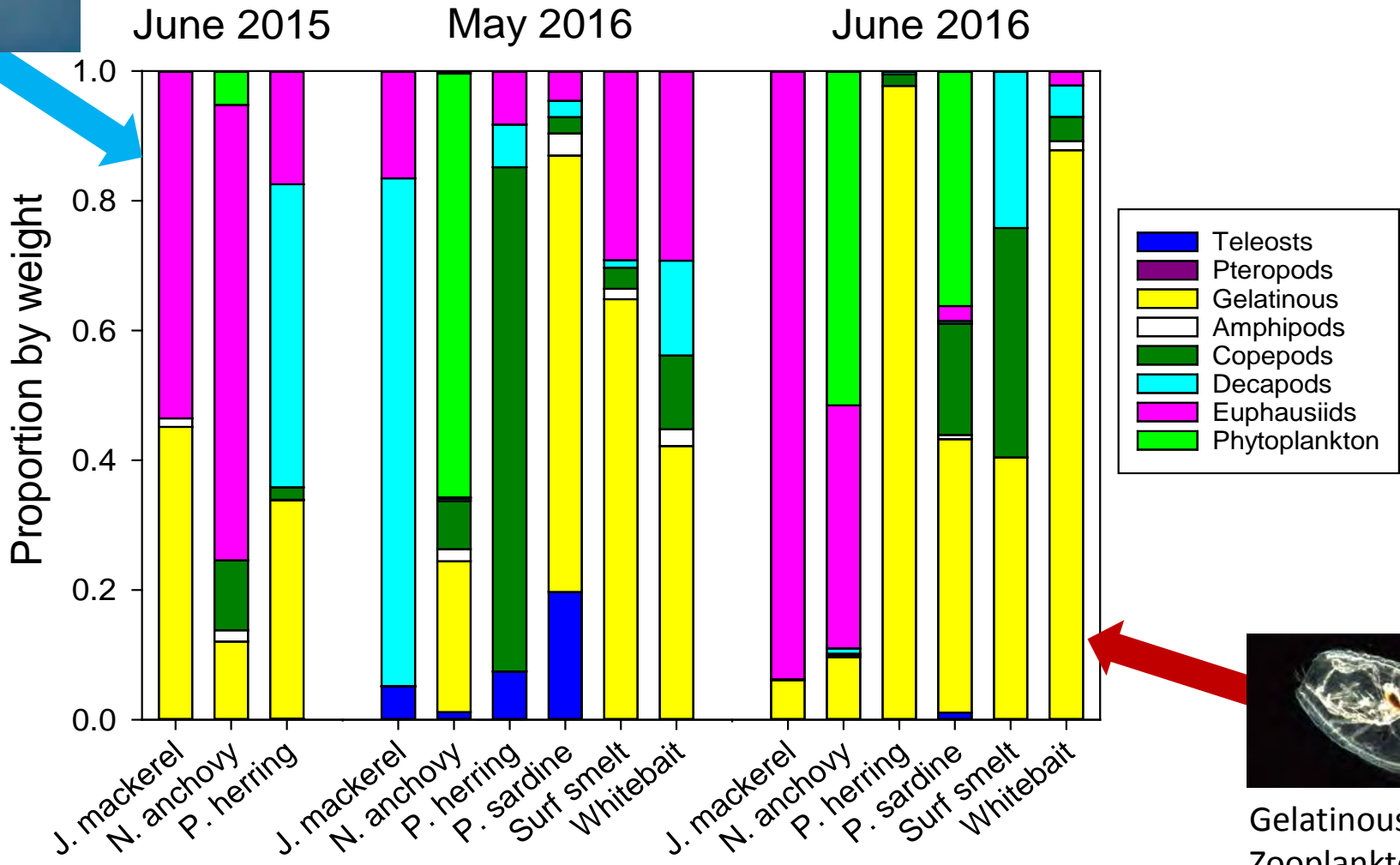


Gelatinous

Northern California CS - SPF diet

Euphausiids

Cold Period Prey Items



Hunsicker et al.



Gelatinous Zooplankton

Warm Period Prey Items

Gelatinous

Eastern Bearing sea (modelling approach)

← footprint reach →

(% of all ecosystem production used)

(% of all consumer production contributed)

4% 3% 2% 1% 0.2%

Chrysaora



capelin &
other forage fish



walleye pollock &
other planktivores



squid



flatfish



fisheries



Ruzicka et al.

**Jellyfish consume about 20x
as much food as forage fish,
but contribute only 1/10th
as much energy to upper
trophic levels**

H1: are jellyfish and pelagic fish competing for a limited resource

H2: has jellyfish functionally replaced pelagic fish?

H3: do jellyfish constrain pelagic fish recruitment?

- It's easier to come up with hypothesis than to test them
- Jellyfish have an observable effect on early life stages of certain SPF species in certain areas or periods, but is difficult to find these effects at larger (population/functional) scales

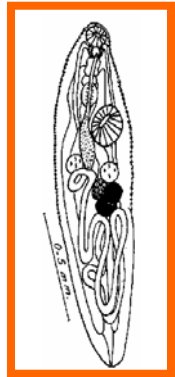
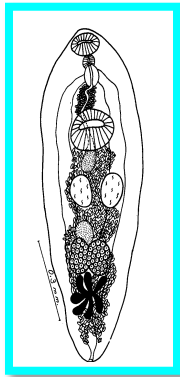
Many pending questions on the role of gelatinous: energetic content, predators, competitor, prey...



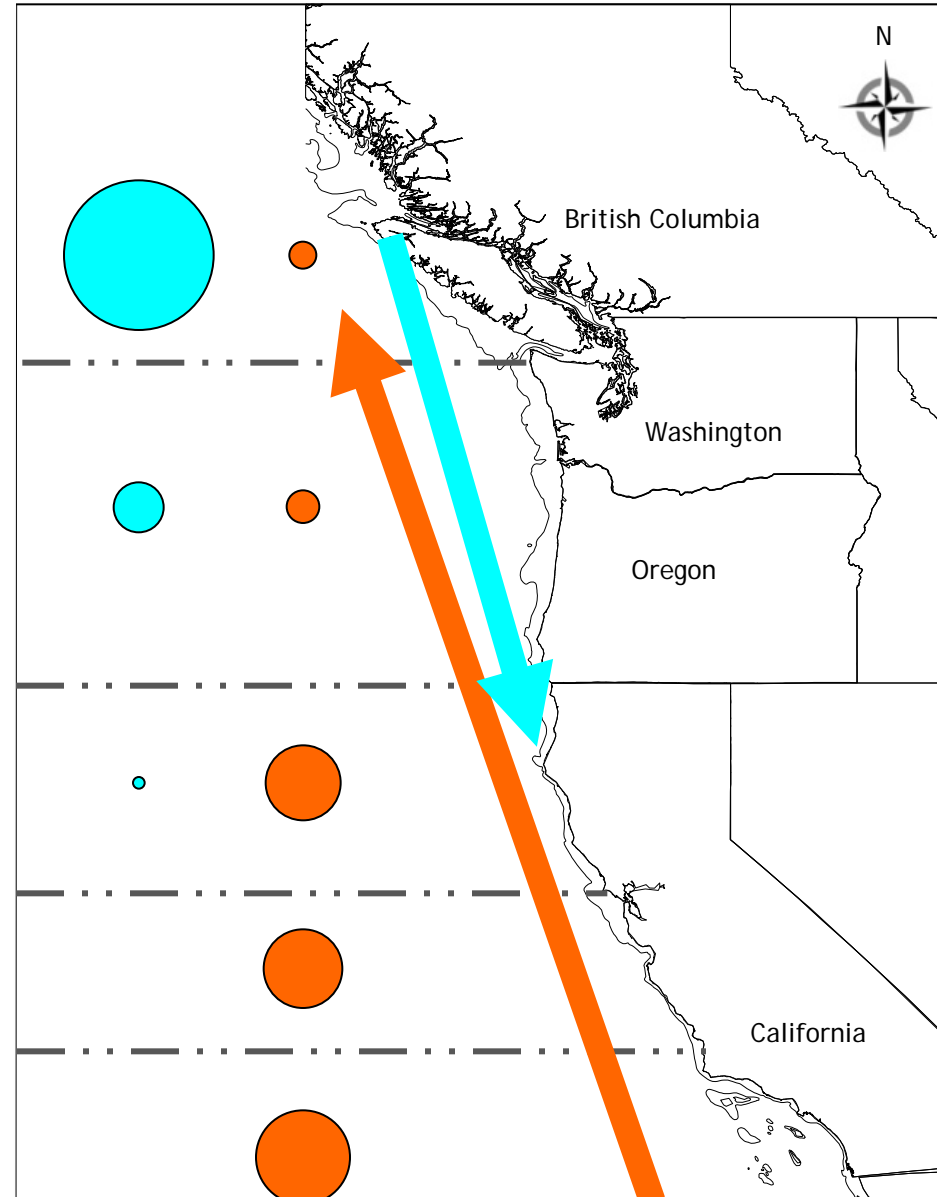
Utility of parasites in food web studies or as biological tags for fish movement & stock structure (Jacobson et al.):

Distribution of trematodes suggest that Pacific sardine from BC were not returning to S. California spawning grounds

Lecithaster *Myosaccium*



Parasites!



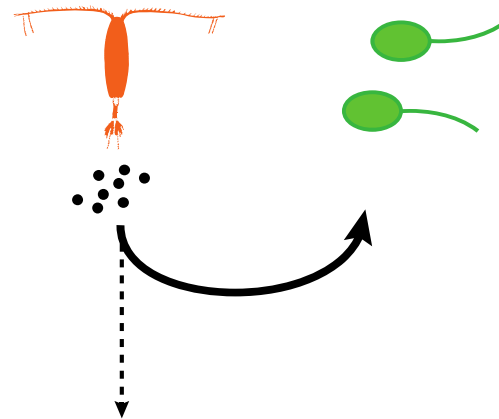
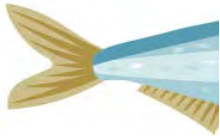
Too few works on parasites in general and in this symposium in particular

SPF and biogeochemical cycles

Fate of faecal pellets
of fish and zooplankton

Tore Johannessen

Large stocks of planktivorous fish
contribute to export of nutrients to
deeper waters and thus lower
primary productivity



- zooplankton faecal pellets
- fish faecal pellet

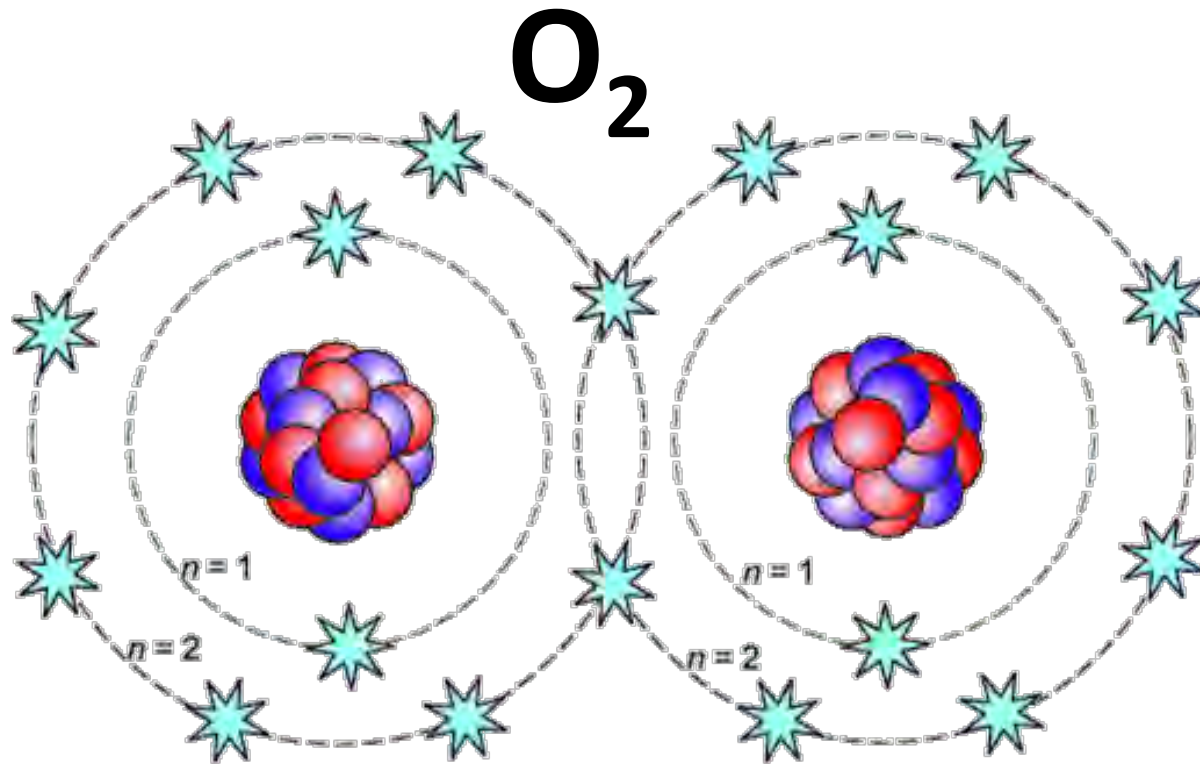
- phytoplankton
- zooplankton



SPF and biogeochemical cycles

Oxygen impacts SPF

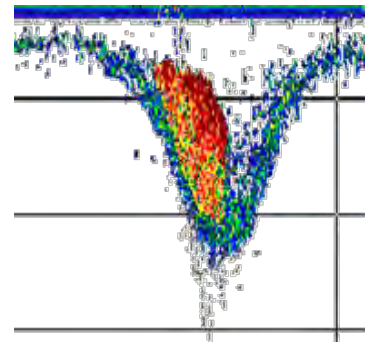
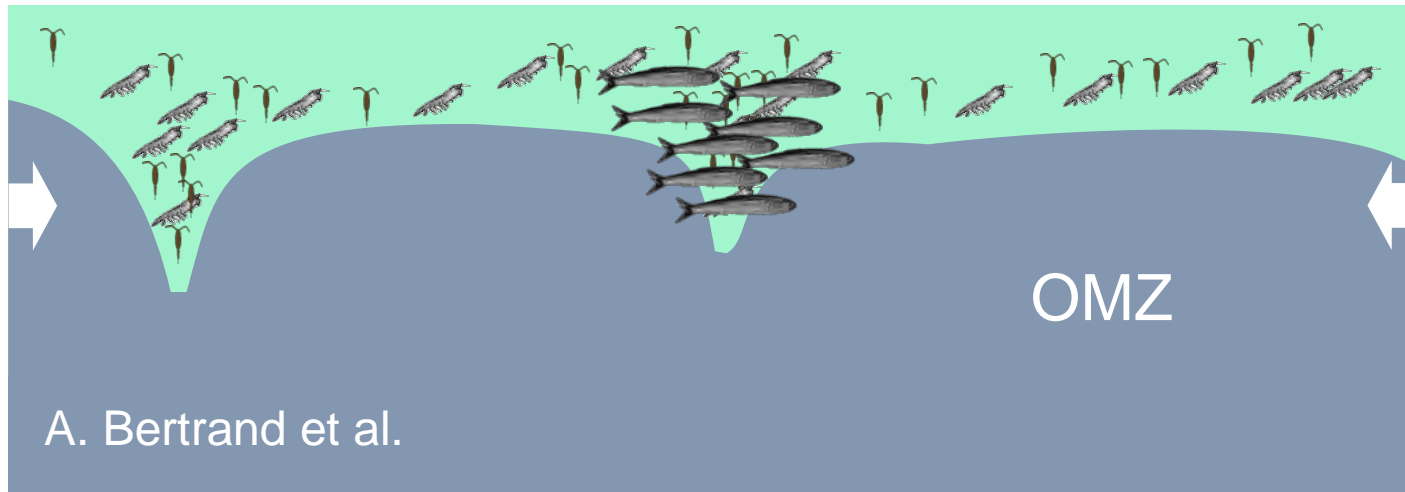
**Fish need sufficient amounts of both food and oxygen, but the latter might be more difficult to obtain than the former
(Pauly, 2010)**



SPF and biogeochemical cycles

Oxygen impacts SPF

Vertical and horizontal contraction of the habitat: increase prey density then trophic transfer efficiency

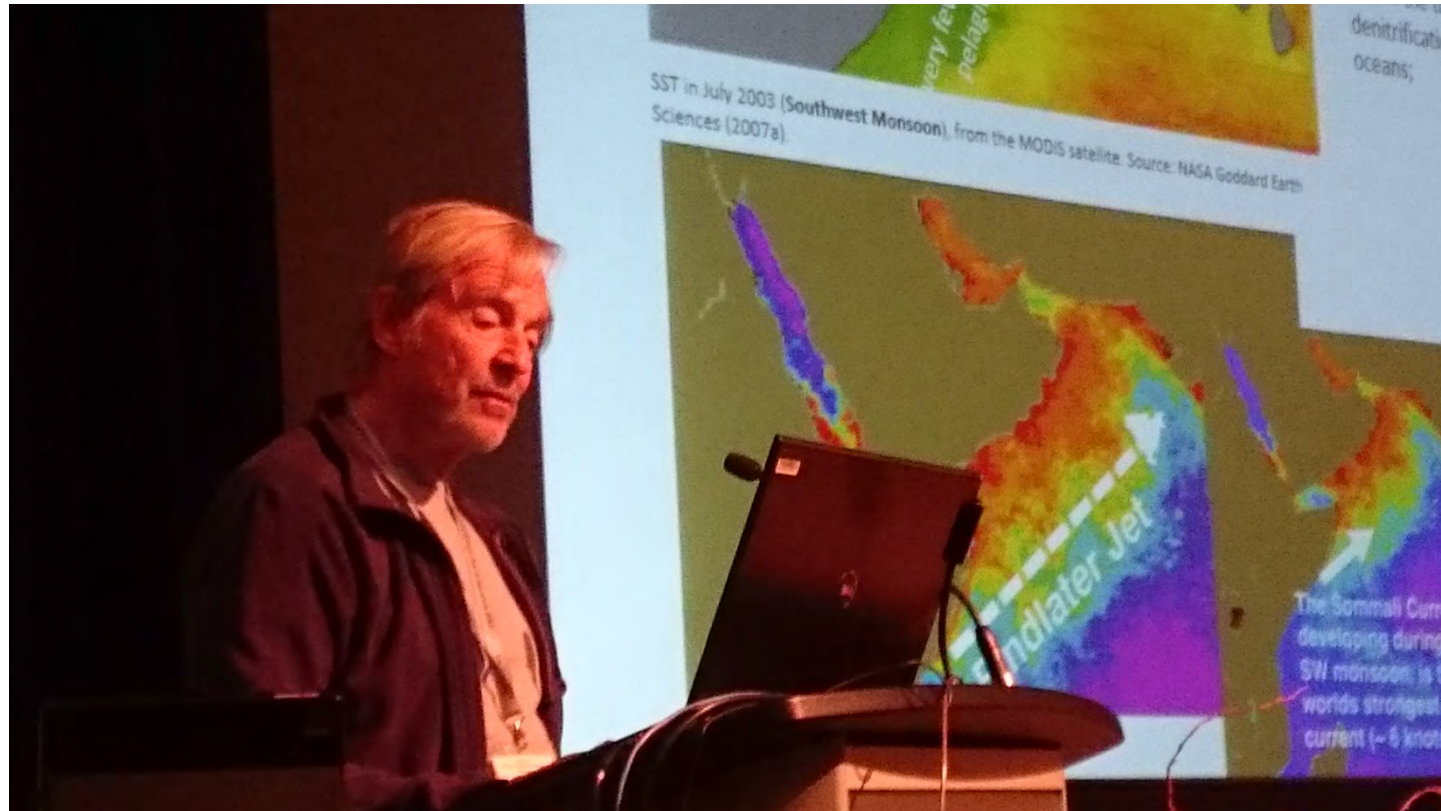


Trophic interactions do not occur evenly in space:
Patchiness initiated by the physical forcing is transmitted up to top predators through the bottom up structuring

Role of SPF in biogeochemical cycles

SPF impact oxygen

Prof. Andy Bakun 72 slides - 15 minutes



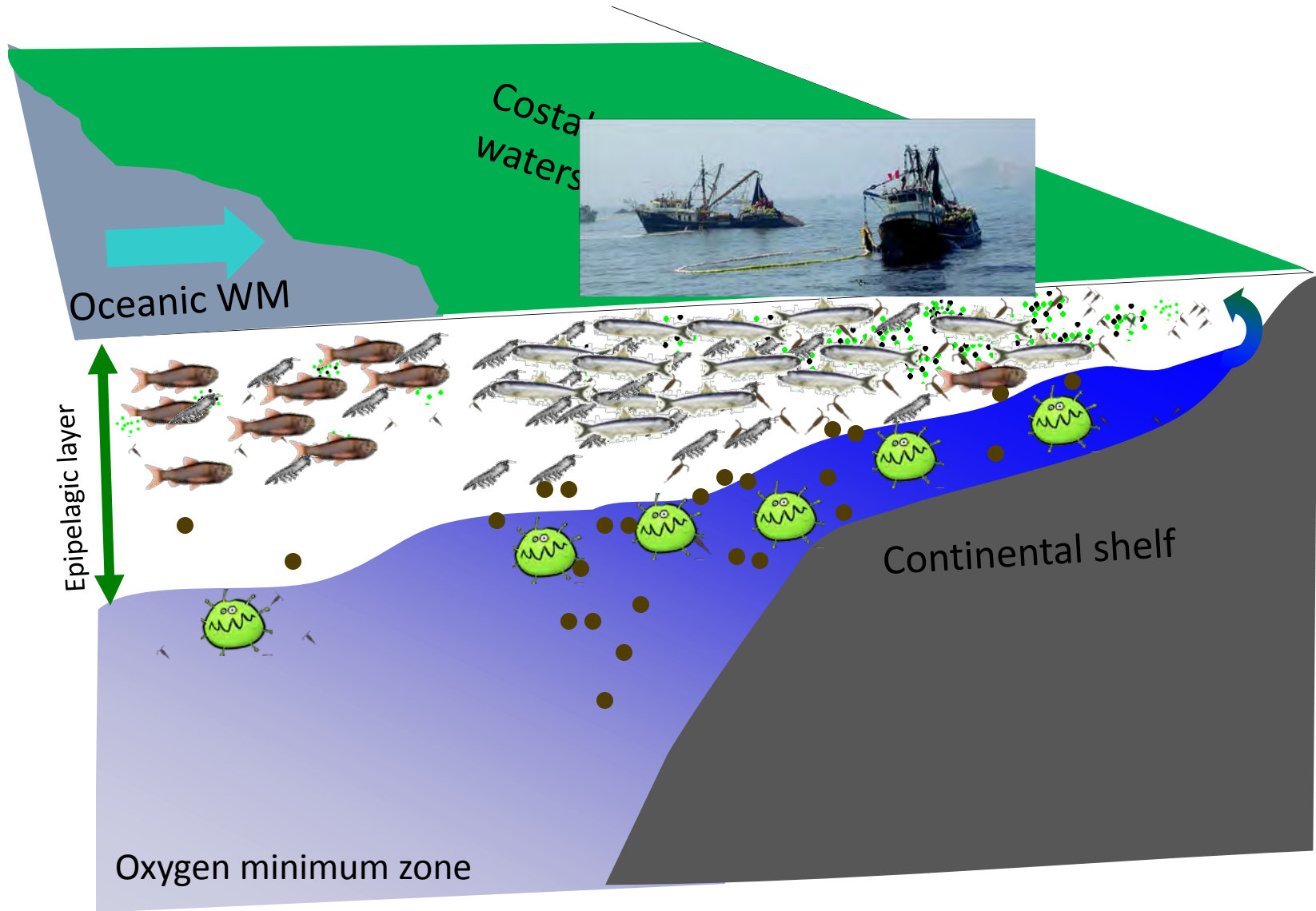
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SPF impact oxygen

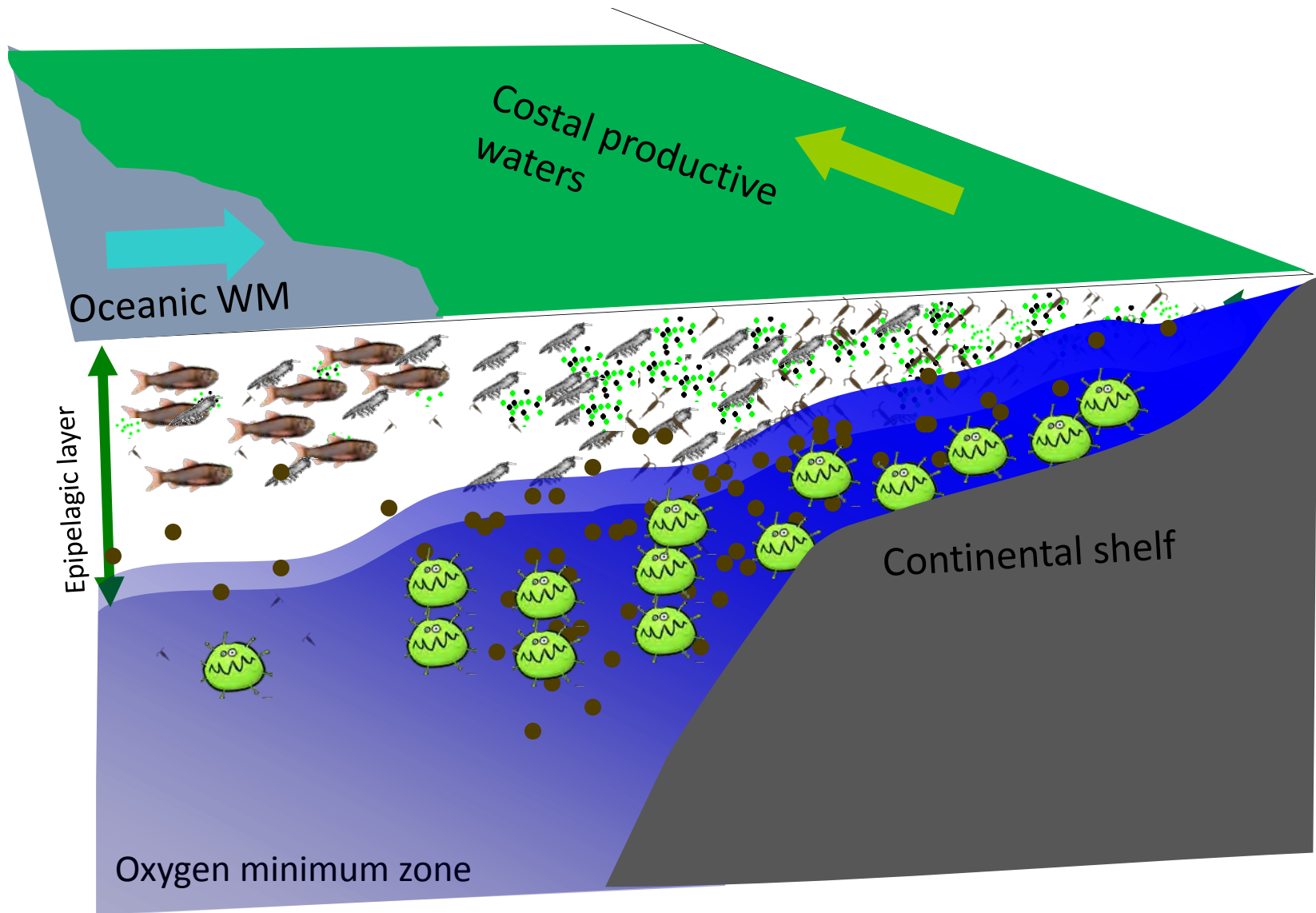
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SPF can play a role in controlling the oxygen



Thats all Folks!