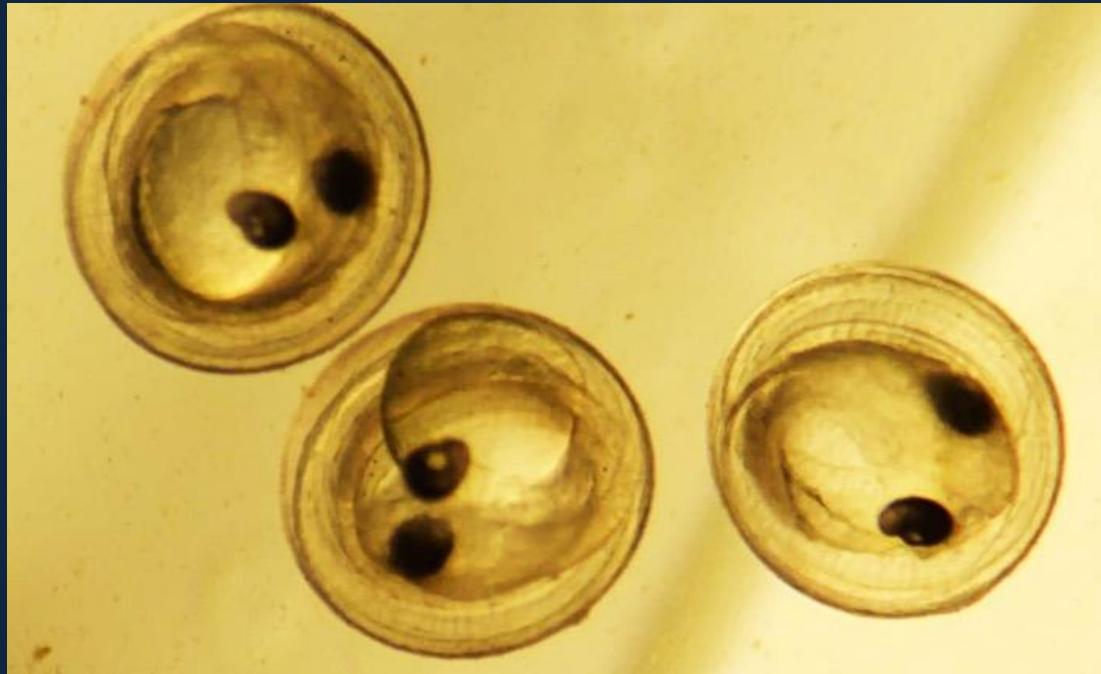


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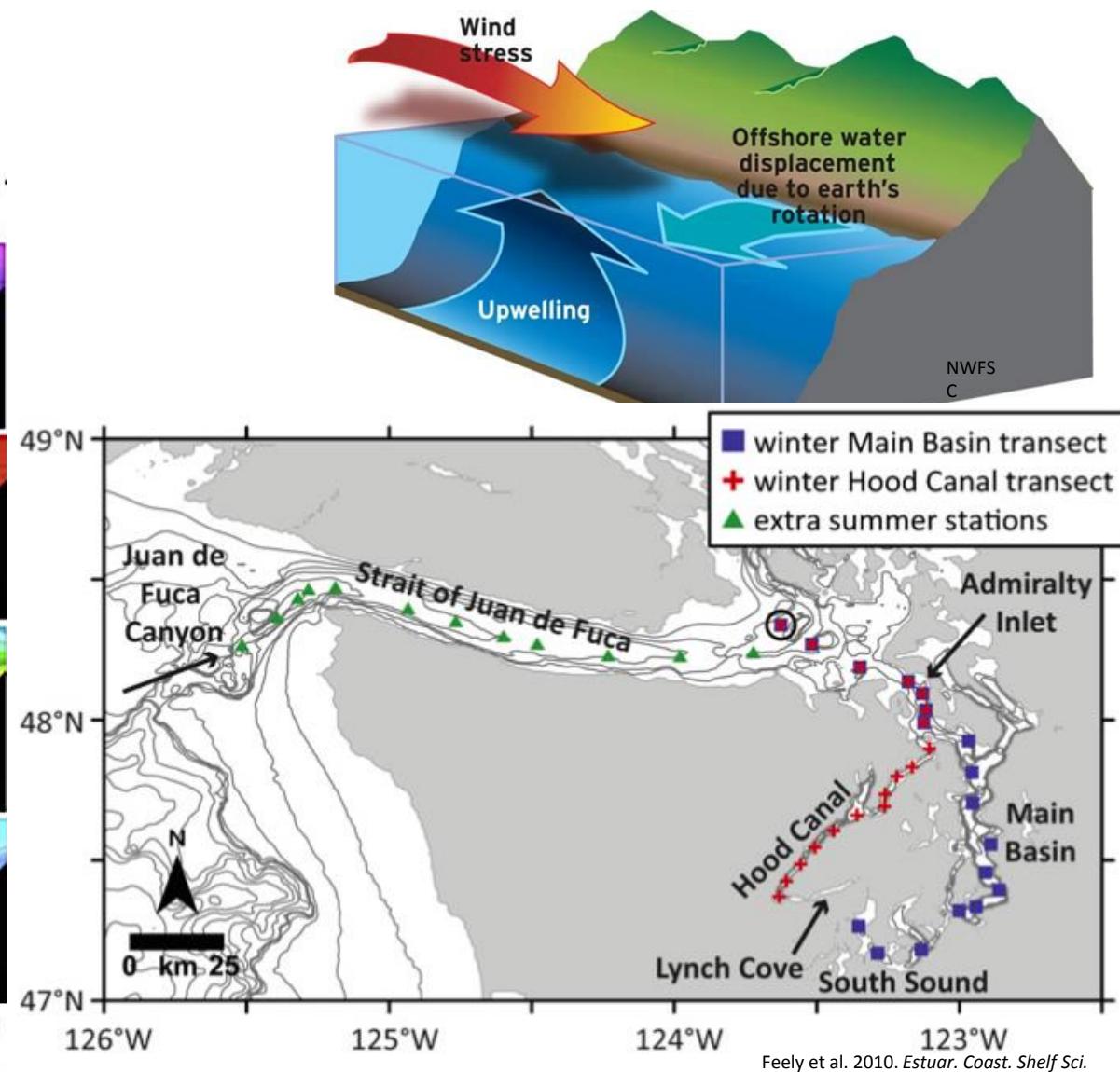
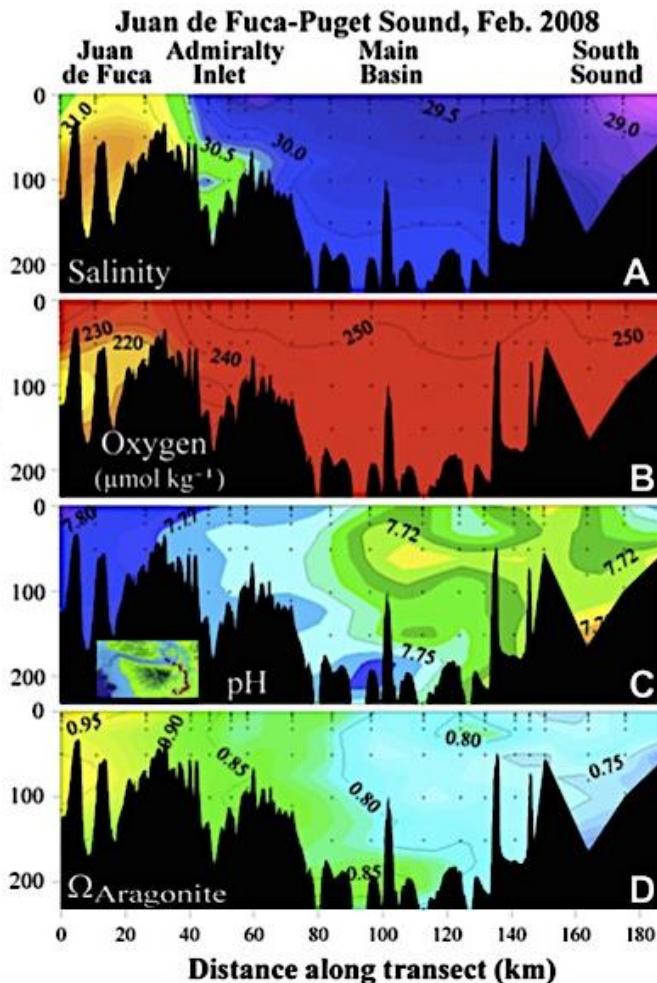


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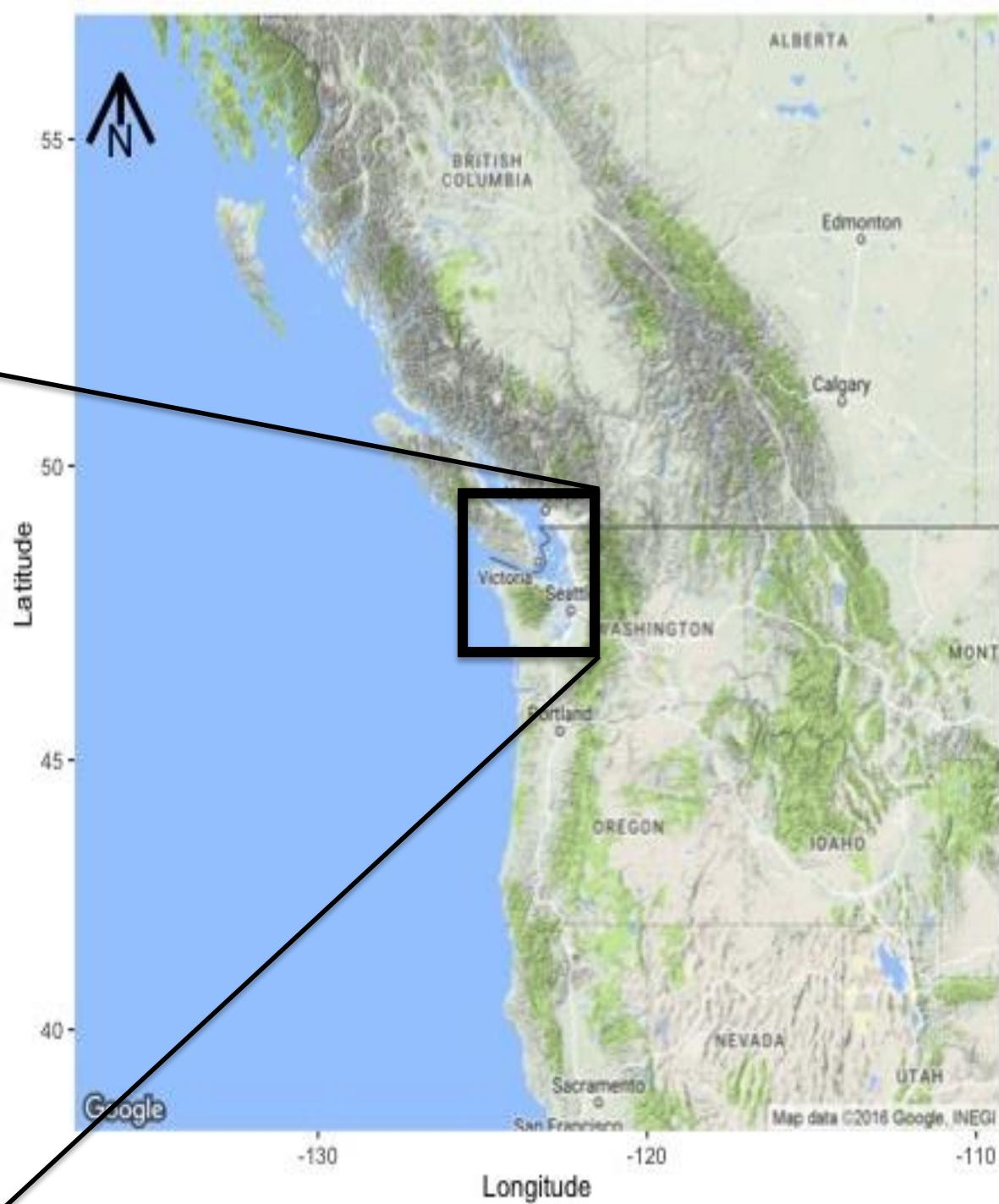
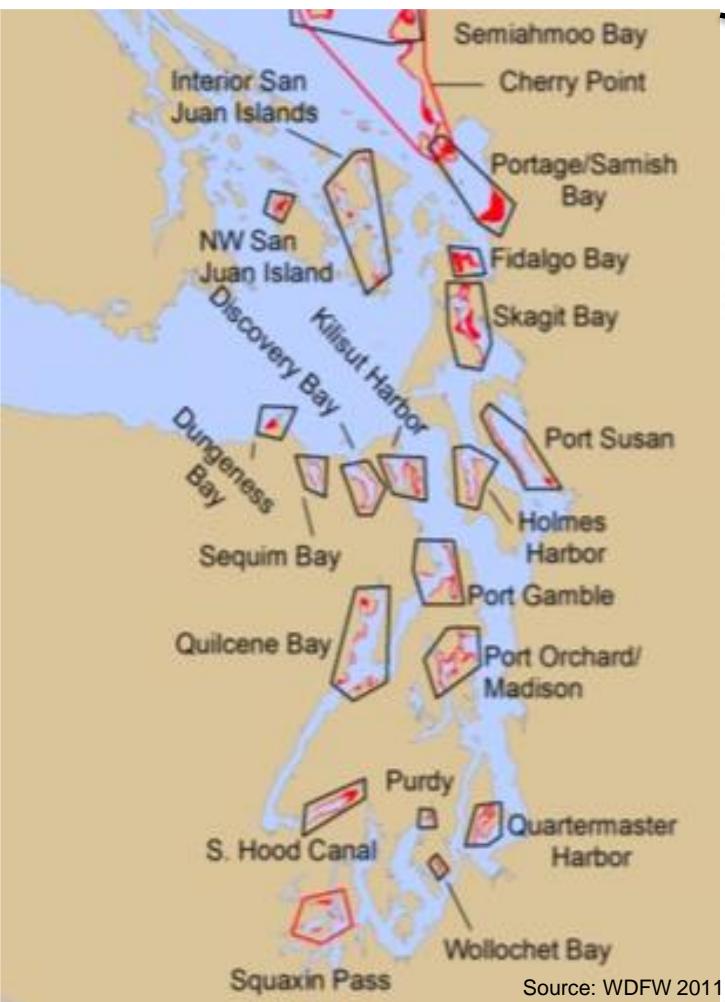
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Seasonal upwelling gives us a glimpse of future ocean acidity



Pacific herring
spawning stocks in
Puget Sound are
predisposed to low
ocean acidity levels



Responses to acidification are species-specific

Impairs olfactory senses



Orange Clownfish (Munday et al. 2008. *PNAS*)

Reduces growth and survival



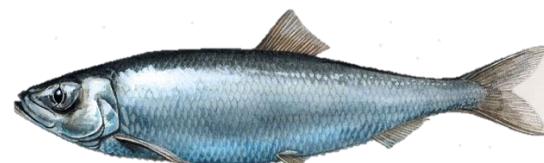
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No sperm motility effects



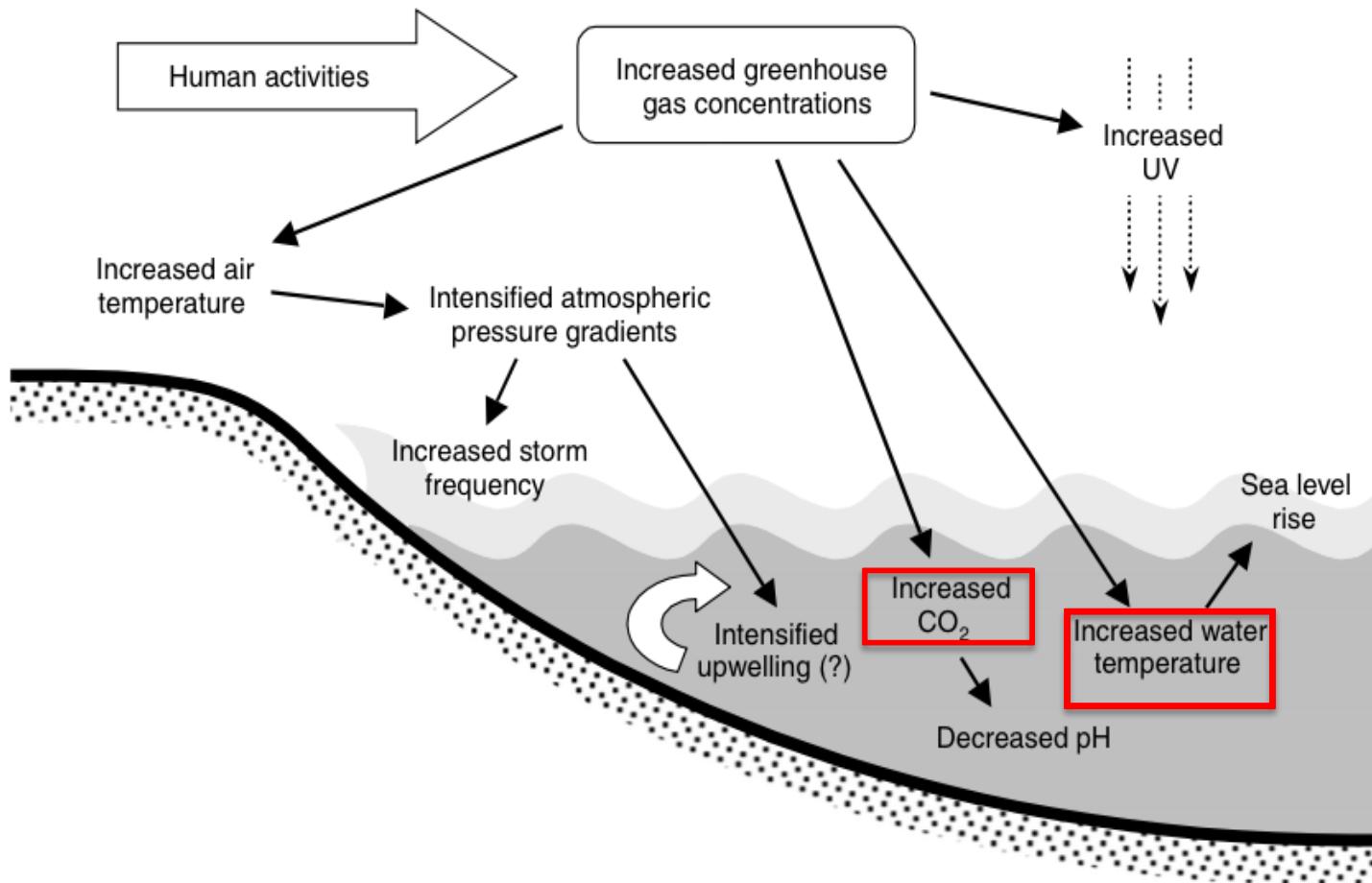
Baltic Cod (Frommel et al. 2012. *Mar. Biol.*)

No embryonic or hatch rate effects

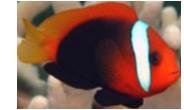


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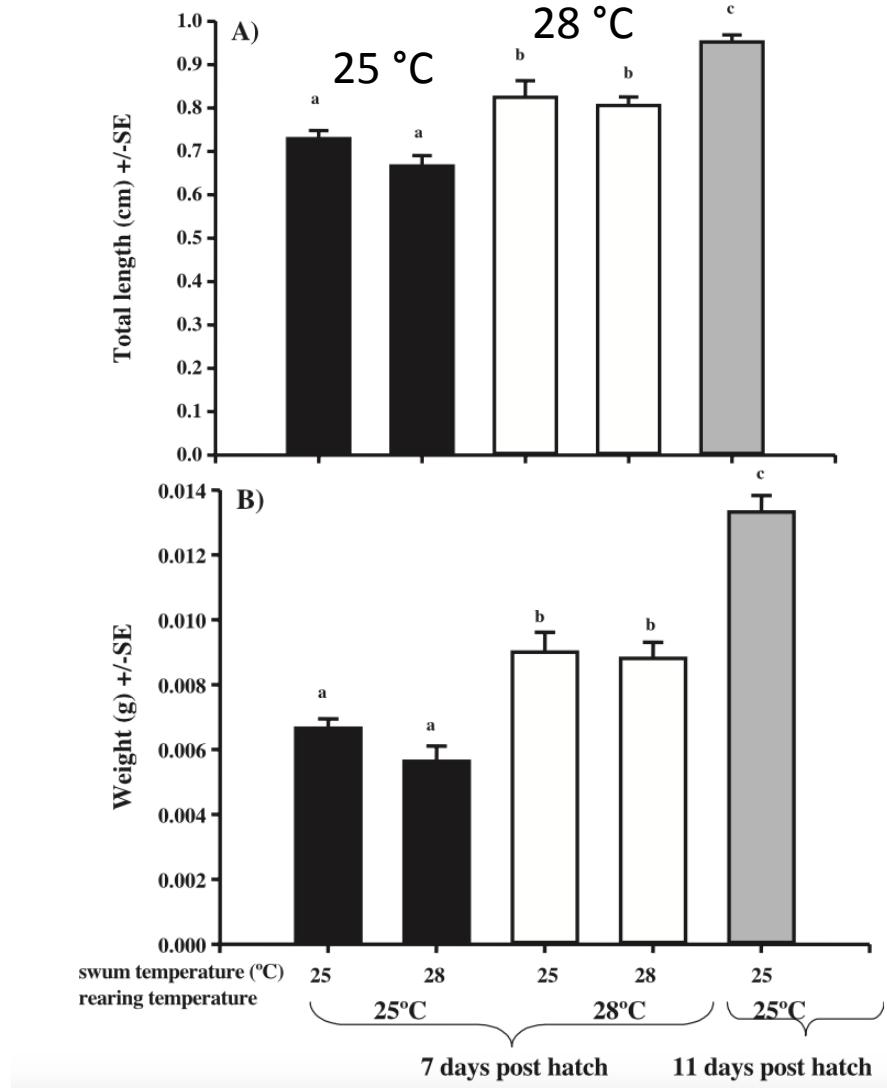
Organisms are bombarded by multiple environmental stressors



“Bigger may not be Better”

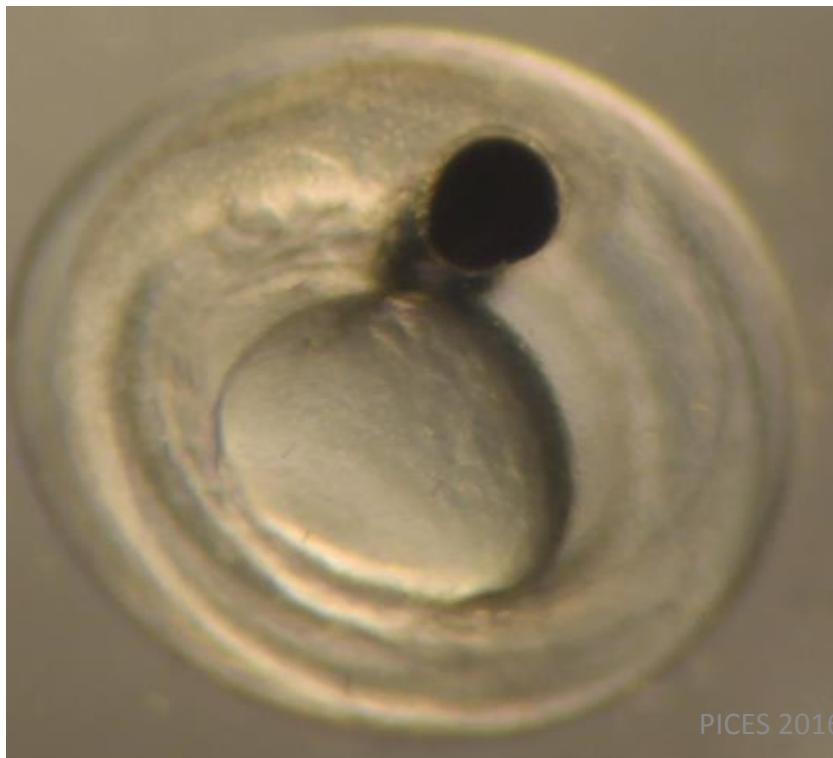


- Warmer temperatures accelerate growth
- Gill and muscle deformities
- Increases energetic needs for survival – reduced aerobic scopes and swimming performances





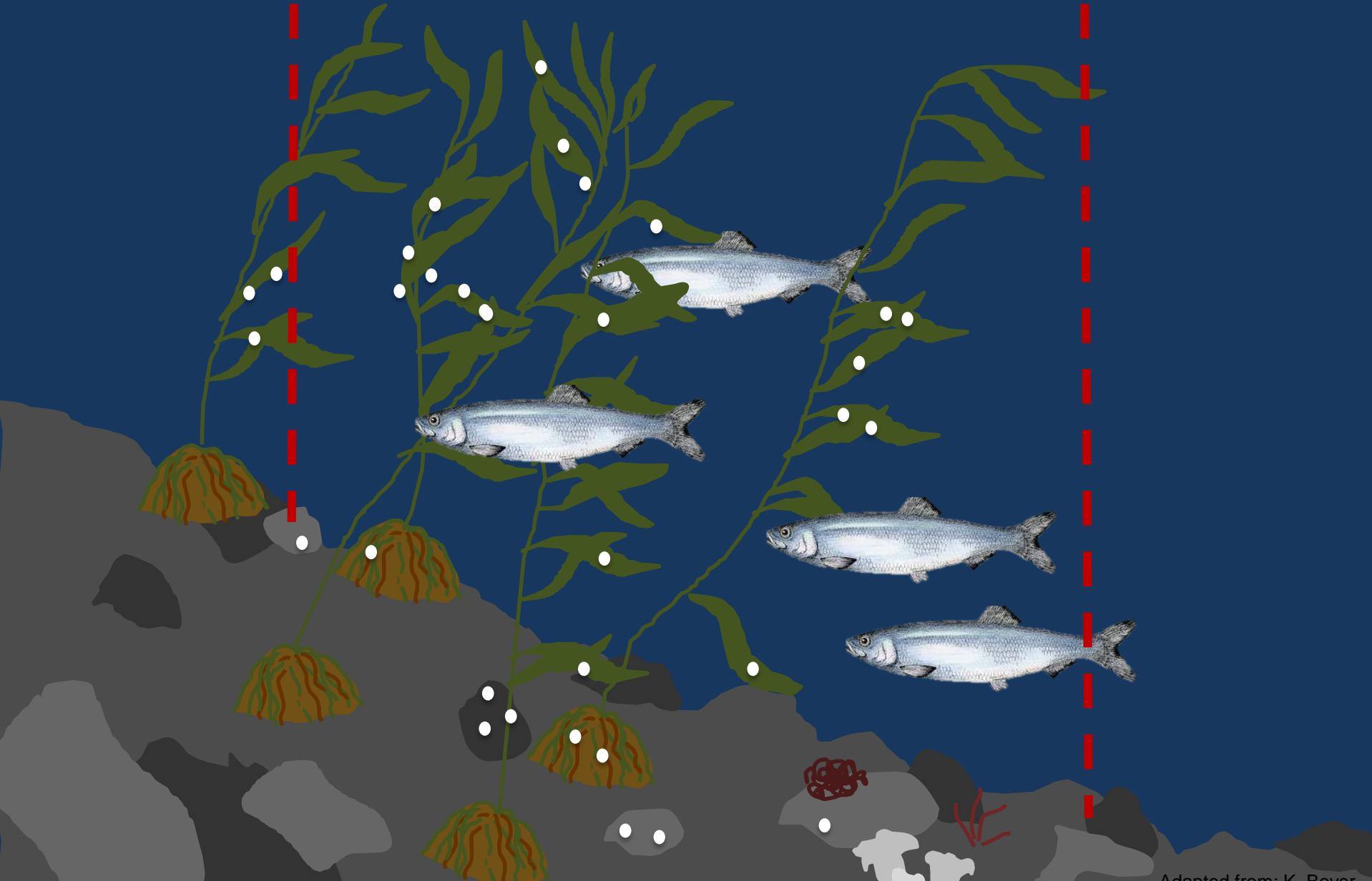
How are Pacific
herring embryos
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Intertidal

Shallow Subtidal

Slope



Herring Collections

1. Quilcene, WA
 - March 2016

1. Craig, AK
 - March 2016

2. Cherry Point, WA
 - May 2016



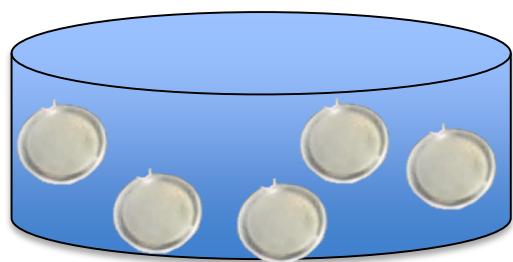


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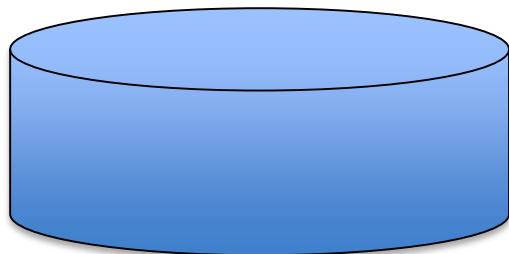


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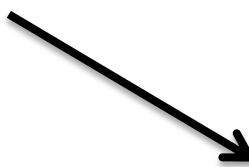
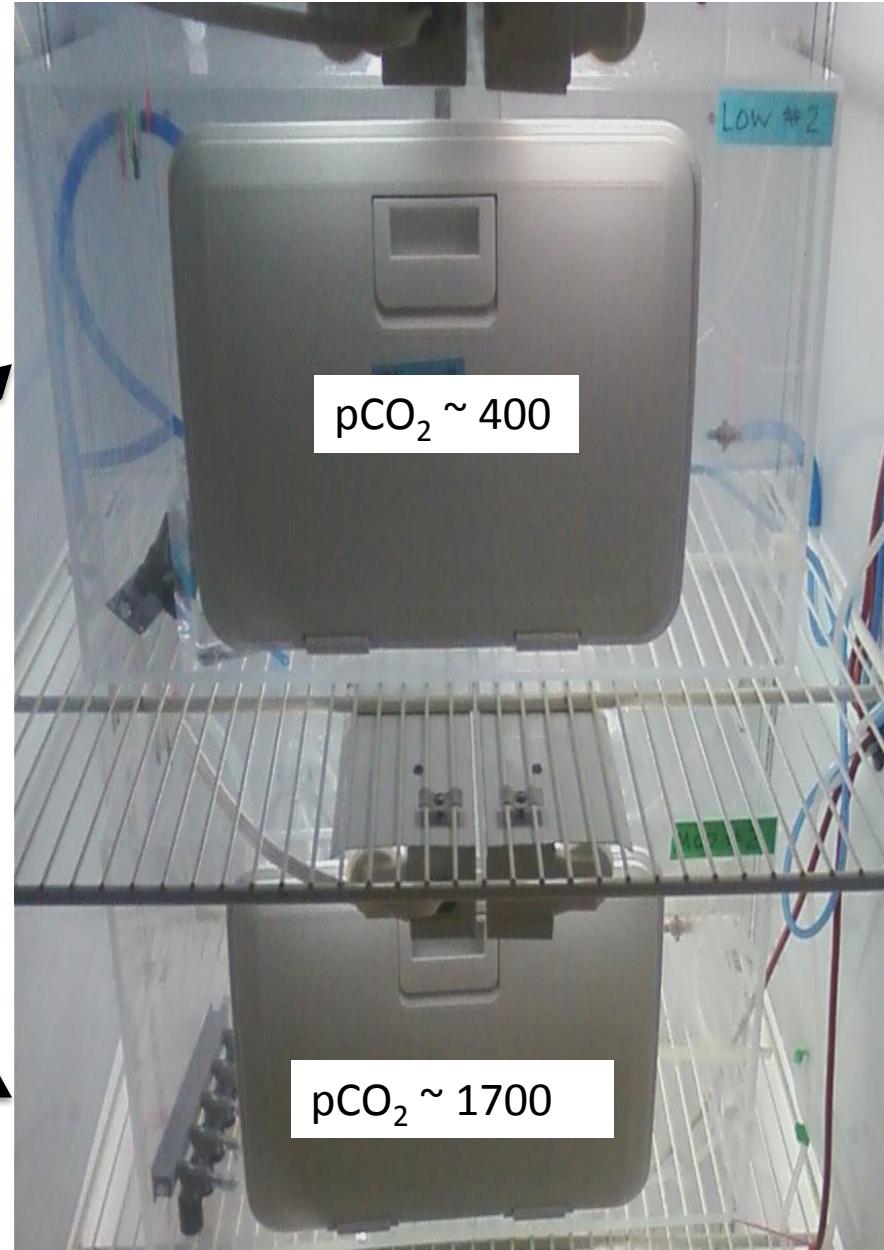
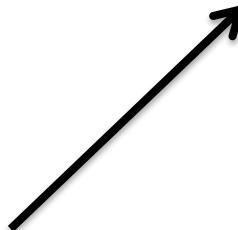
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Fertilization Success



Respiration



Hatching Success

Larval Weight, Length

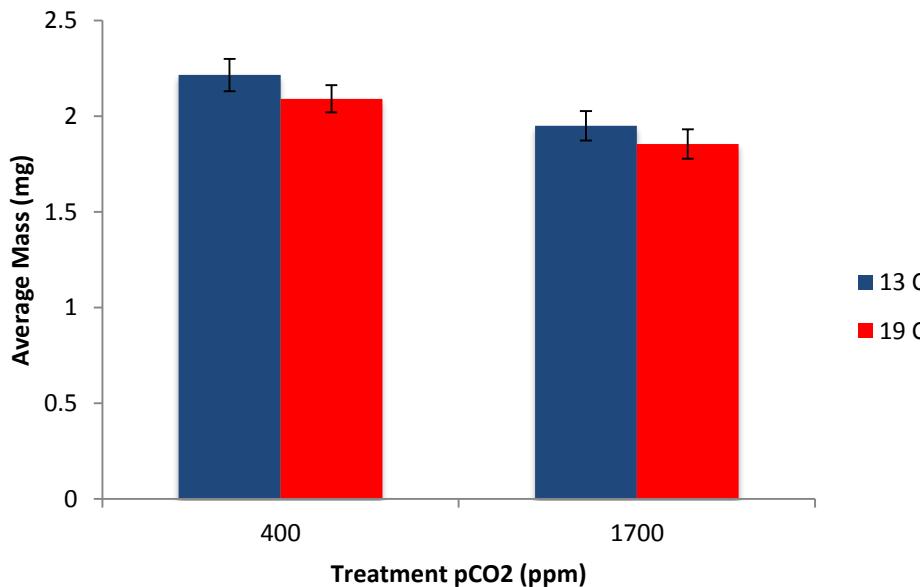
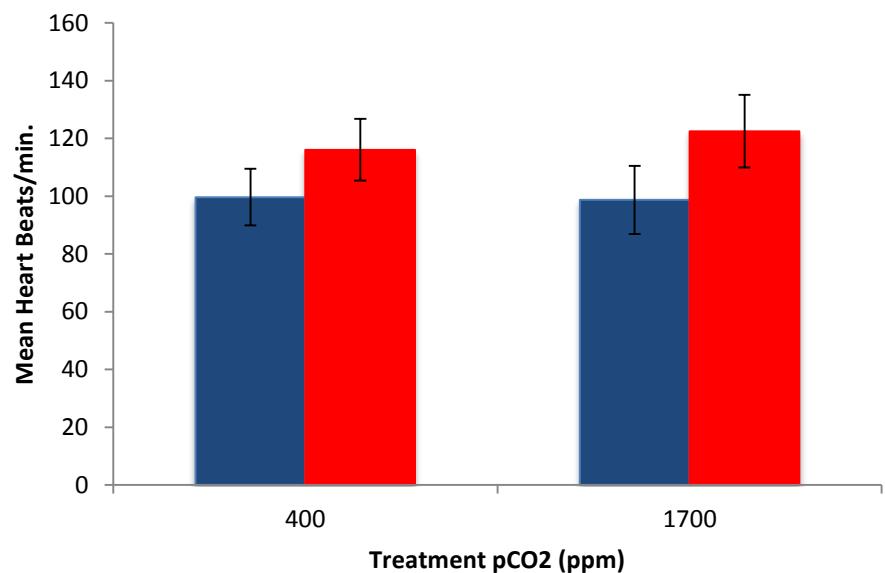
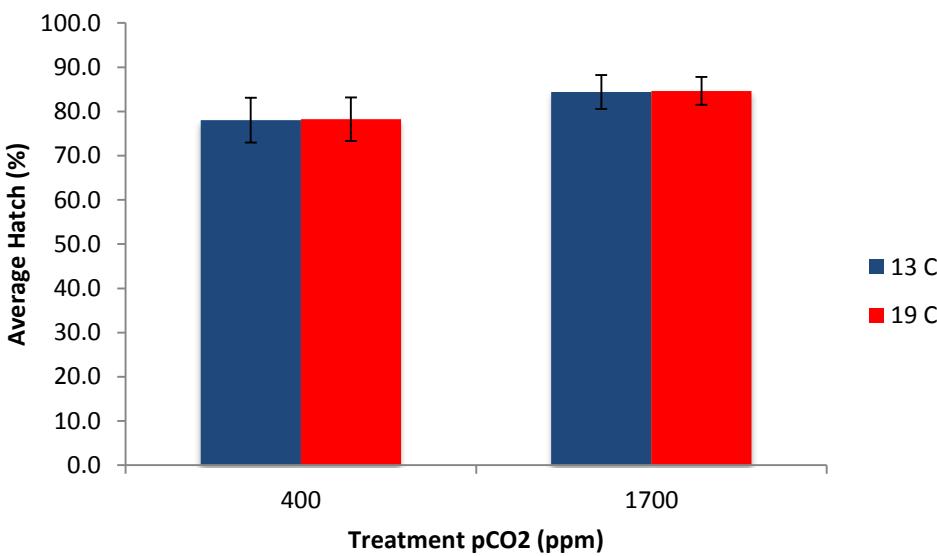
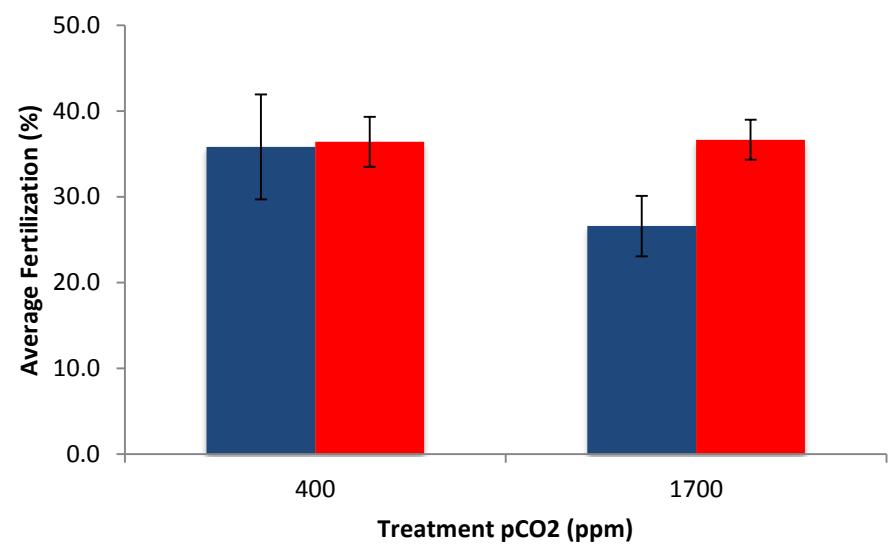


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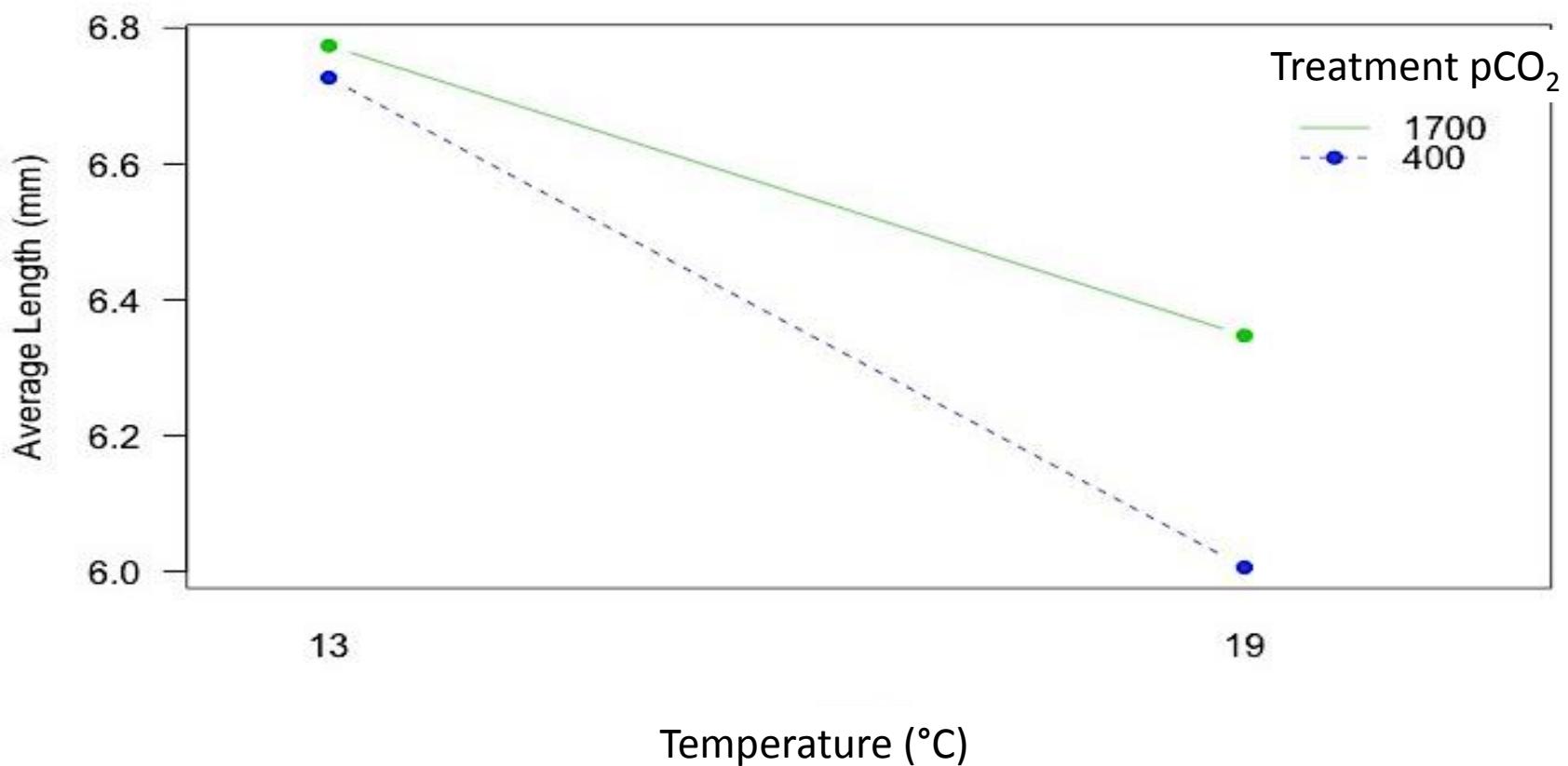
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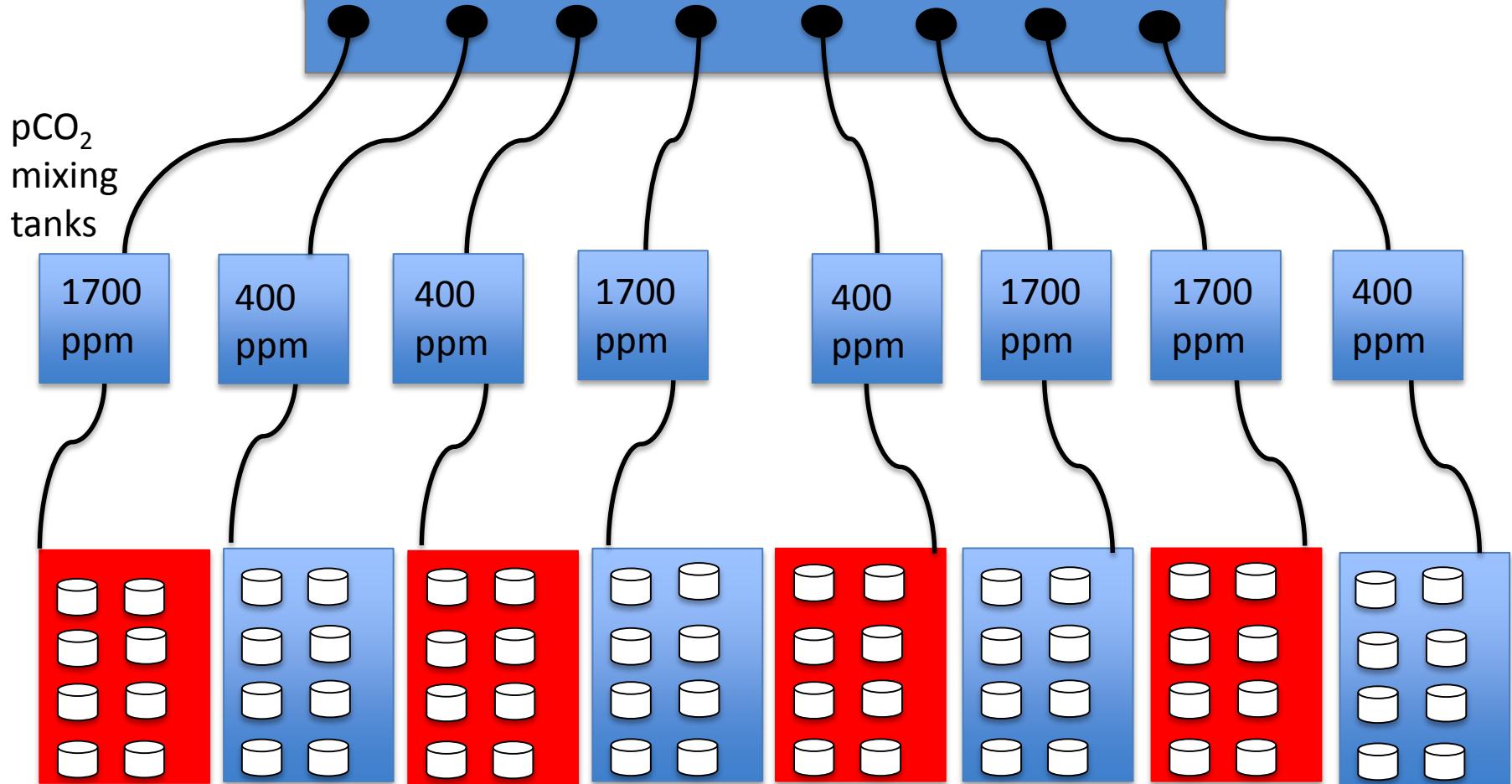
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| High 1700 ppm | Standard development | Reduced fertilization Reduced hatching Low survivorship |



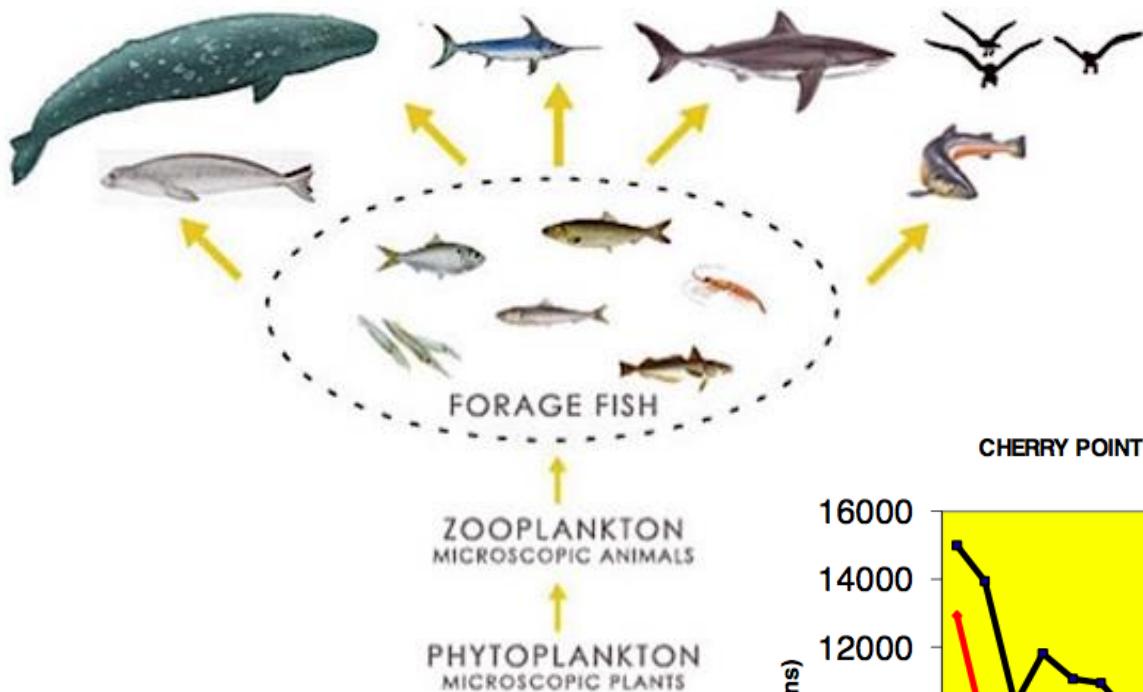
Shorter larvae observed in the warmer temperature



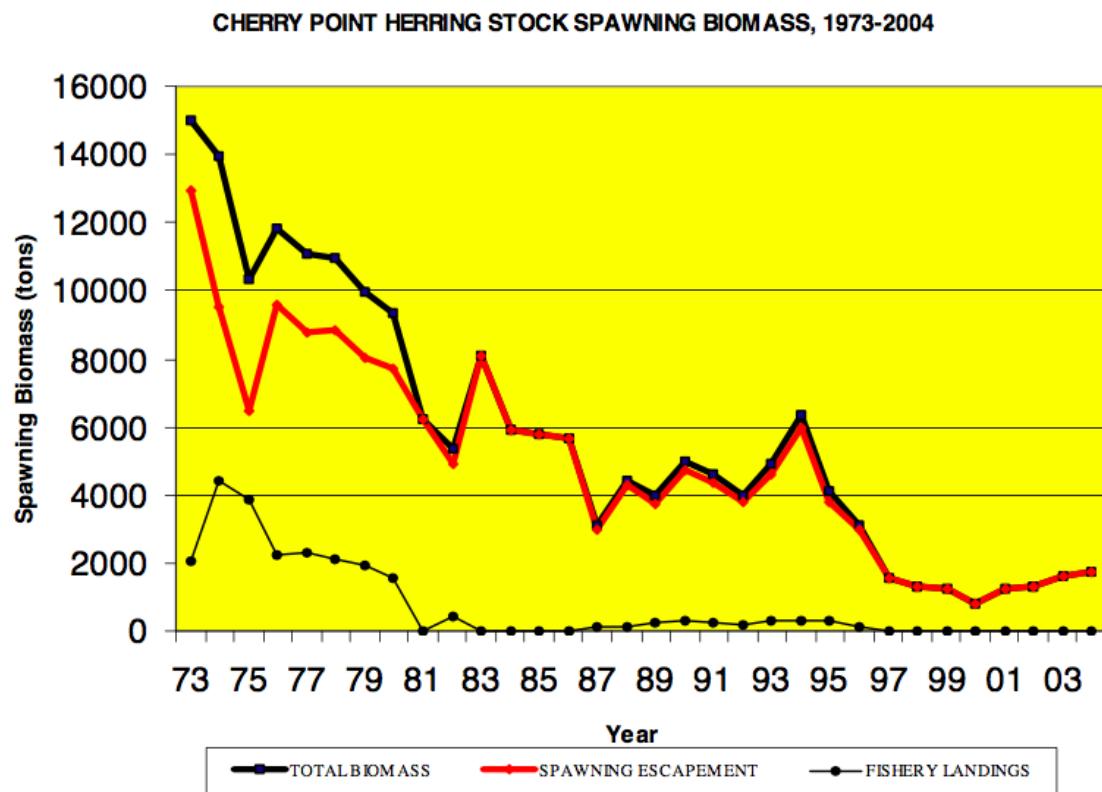
Storage Tank



Forage Fish: The Vital Link of the Ocean Food Web



Spawning biomass at Cherry Point, WA decreased from 15,000 tons in 1973 to 1,700 tons in 2004.



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