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Molecular indicators of performance in Pacific cod exposed to climate stressors



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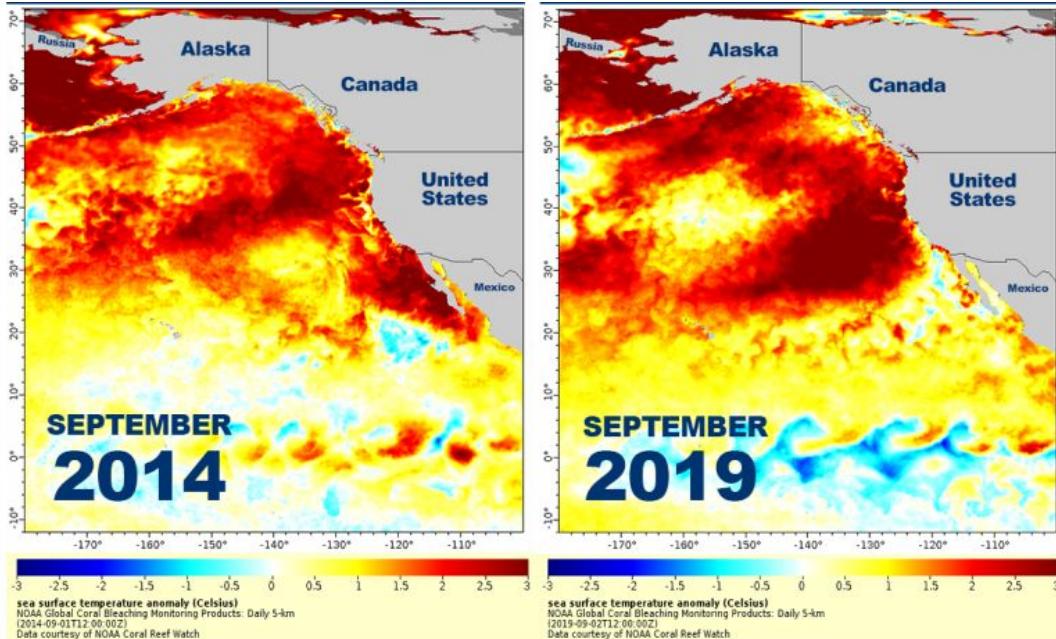
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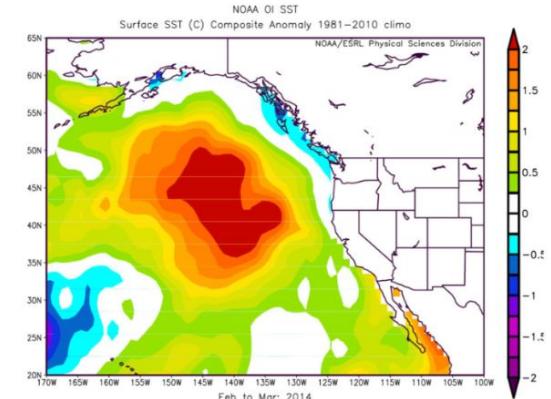
December 10, 2019

The Blob returns: Alaska cod fishery closes for 2020



by Jessica Hathaway in News, Alaska

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"The Blob" of 2014 severely depressed the Gulf of Alaska cod population. NOAA image.



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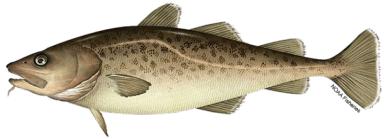


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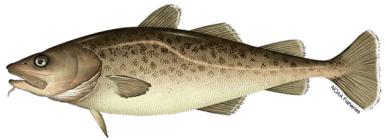
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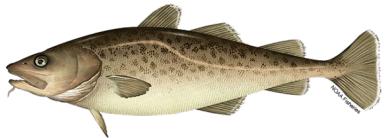
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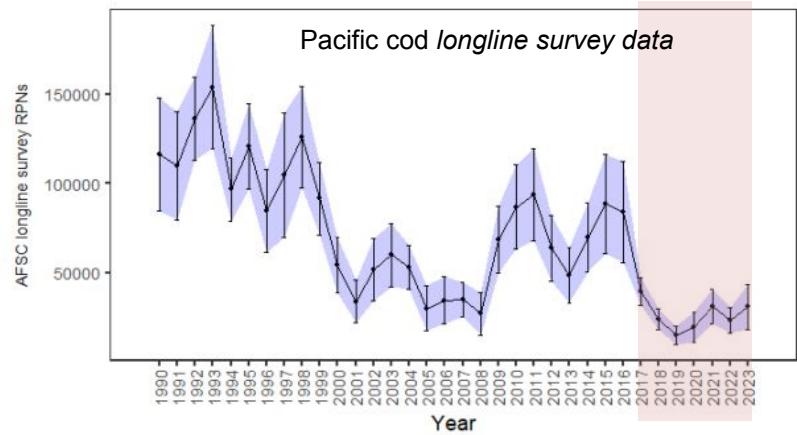
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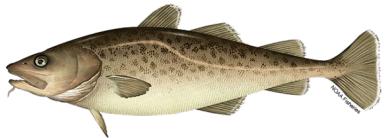


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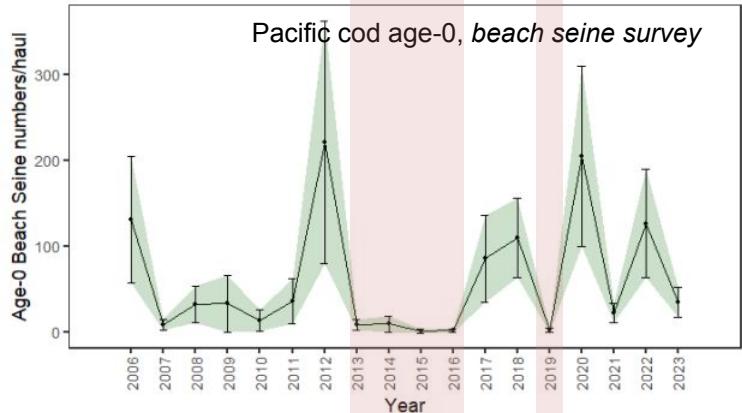
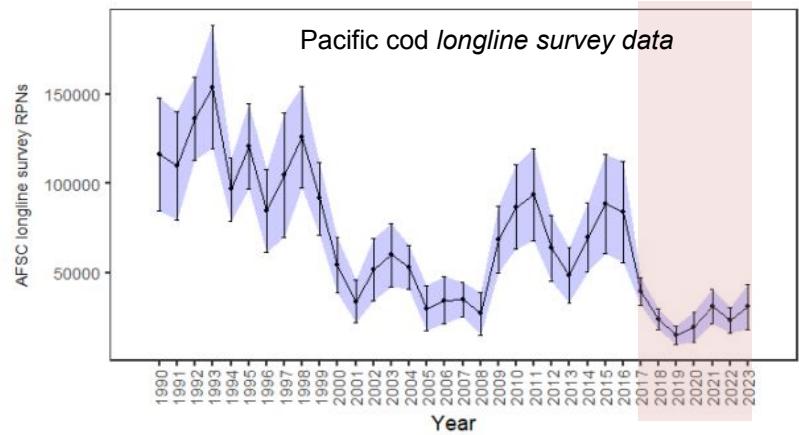


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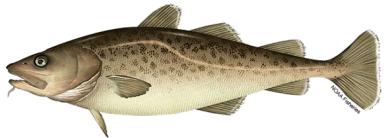
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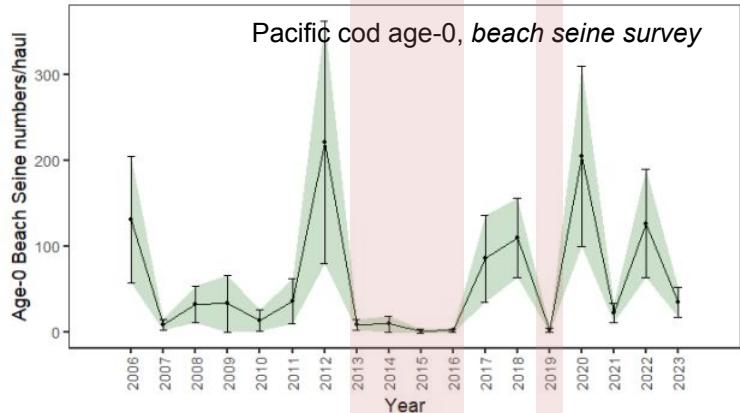
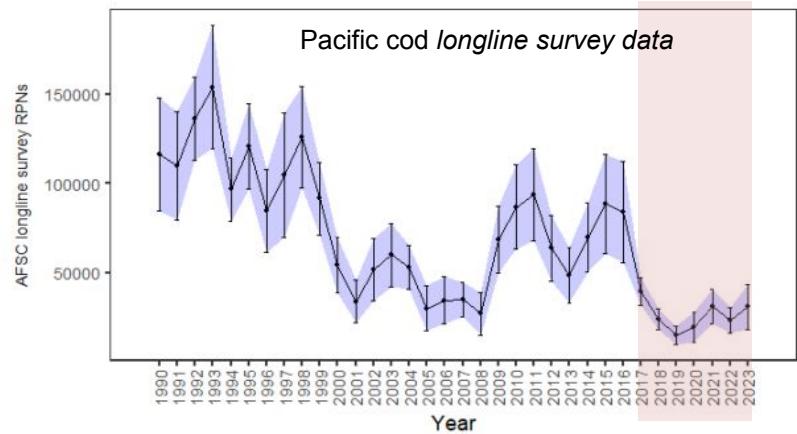
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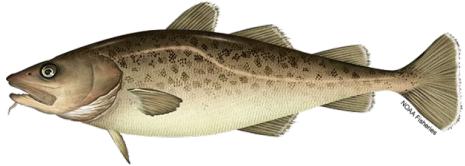


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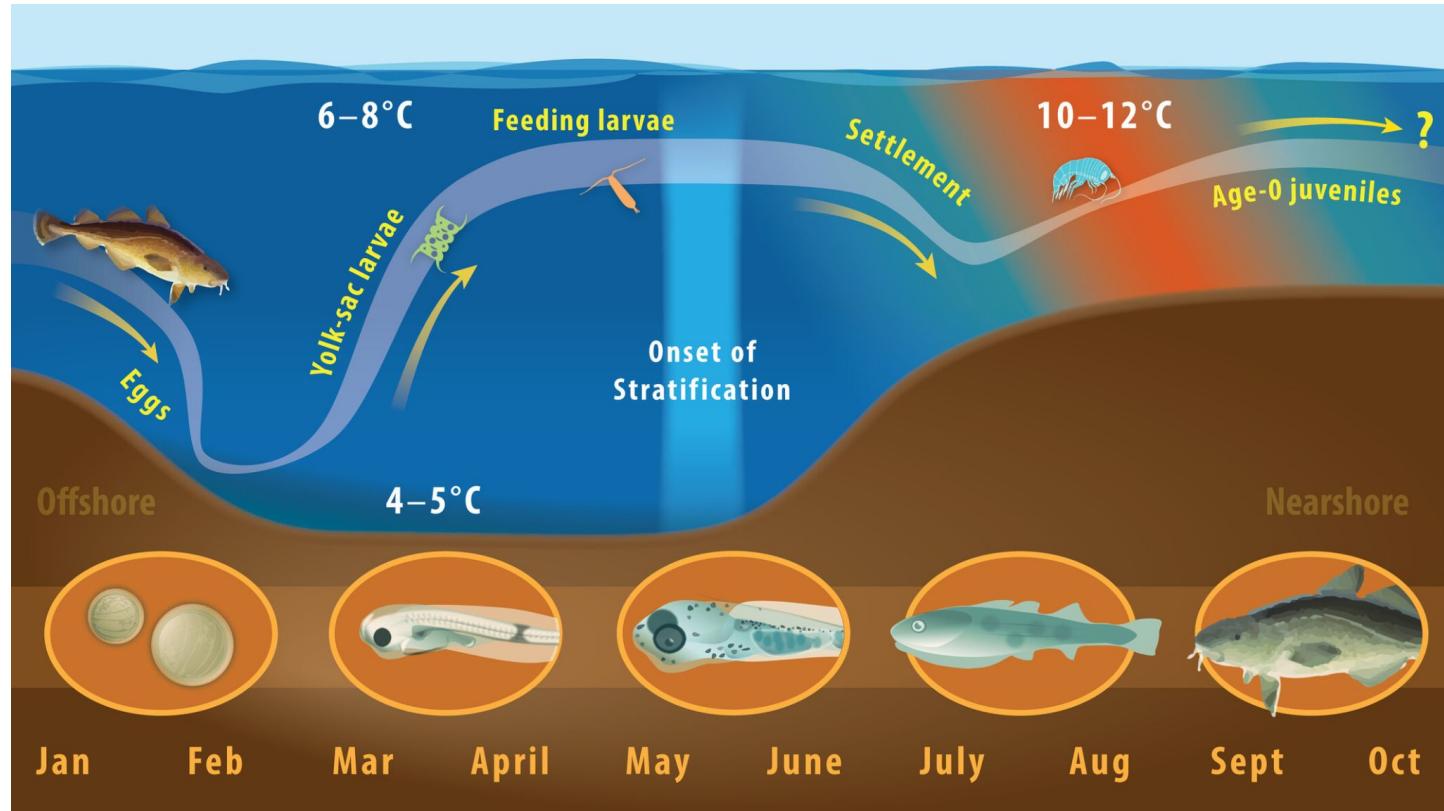
Low Pacific cod recruitment and biomass estimates in Gulf of Alaska coincided/followed the 2014-16 & 2019 marine heatwaves, prompting **review of 1st year of life biology and temperature response experiments**

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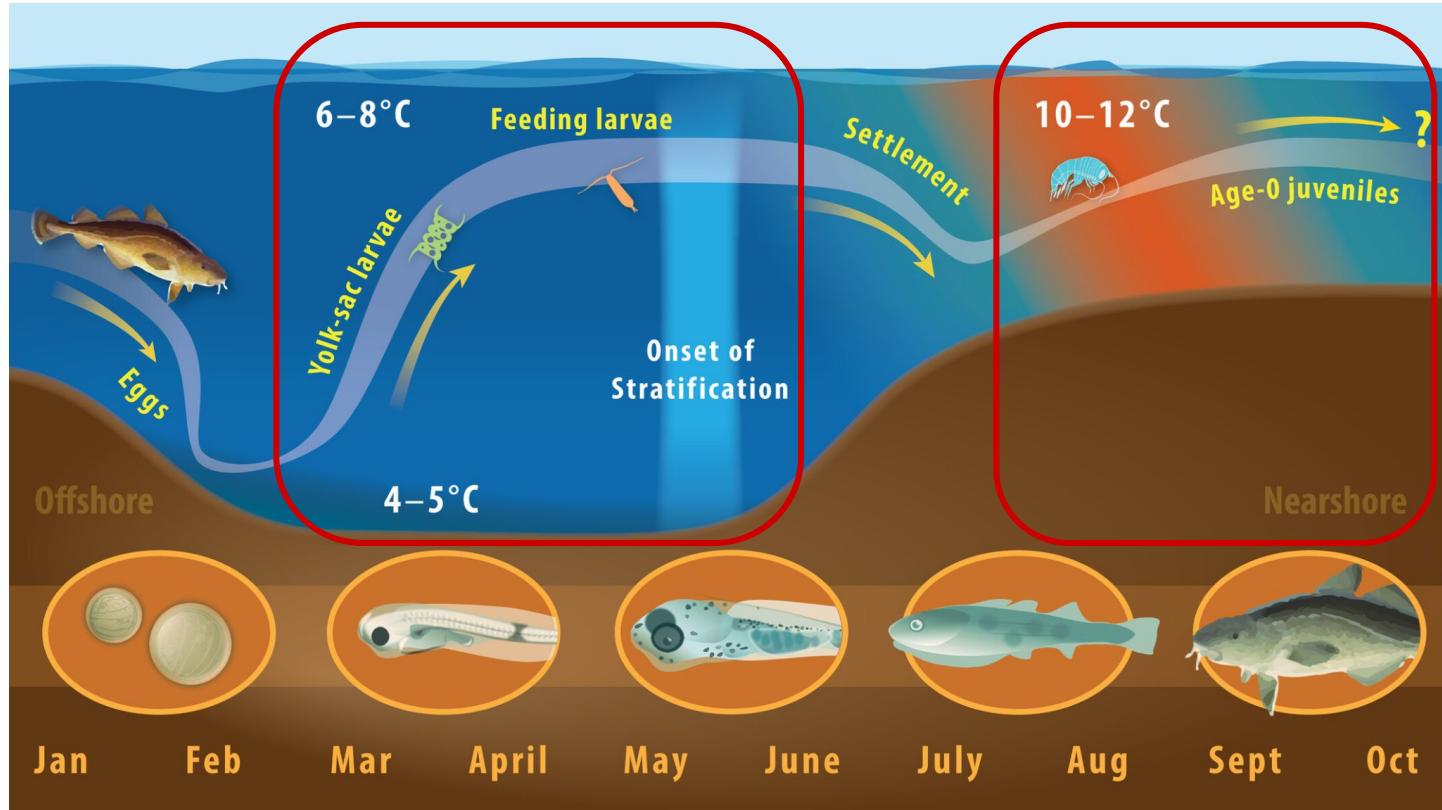


Big Questions

- Why & how does warming affect Pacific cod recruitment?
- Do biological reference points need to be updated in stock assessment models?
- How resilient are Pacific cod populations in Alaska to warming?

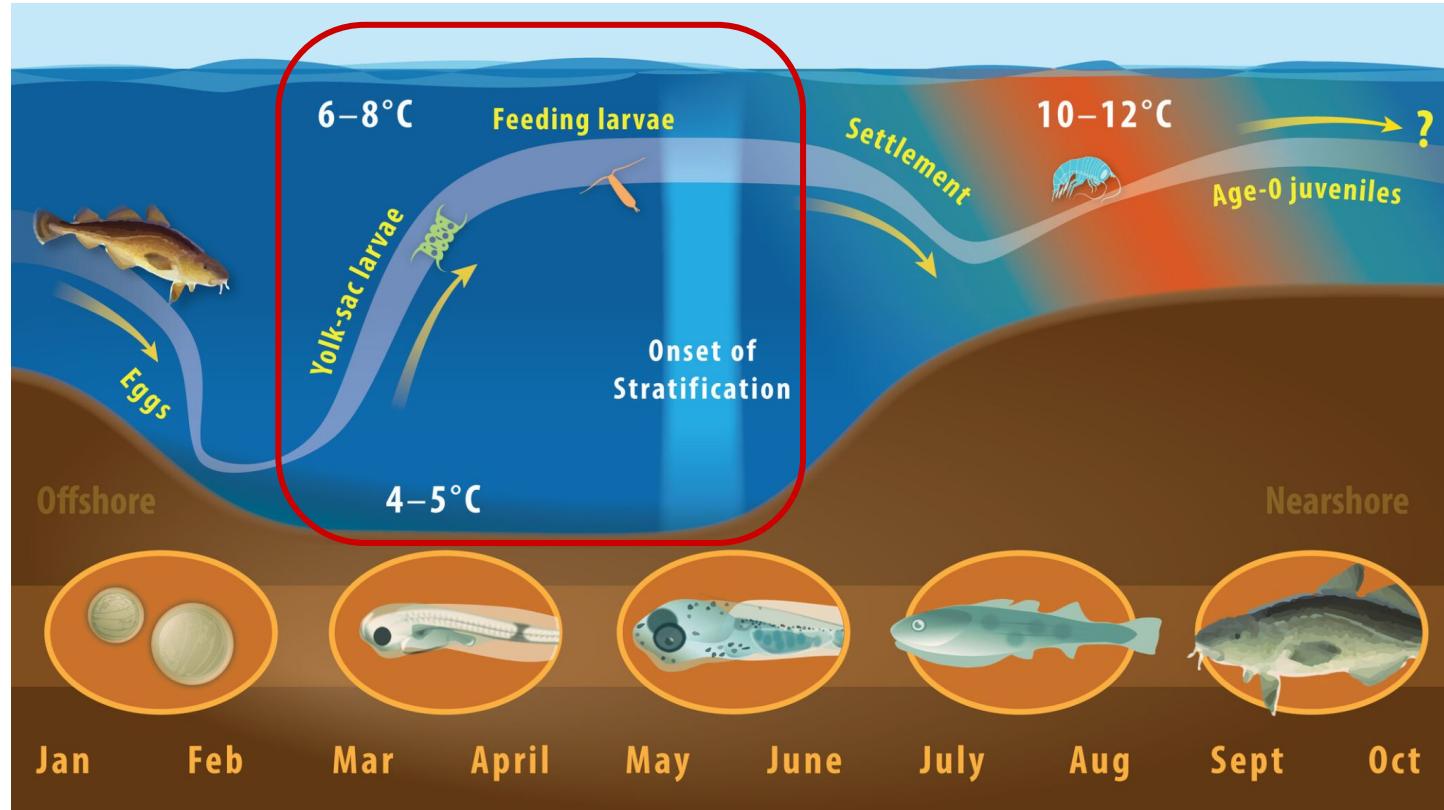


1. Larval study



2. Juvenile study

1. Larval study



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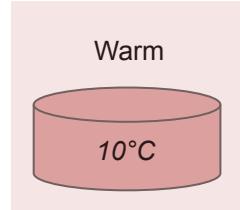
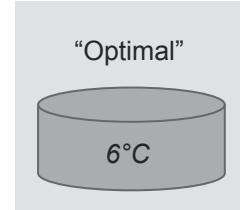
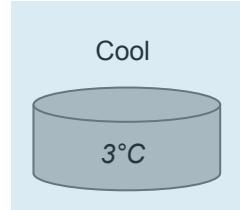
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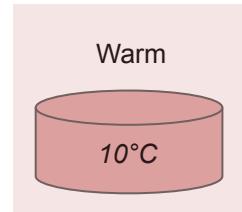
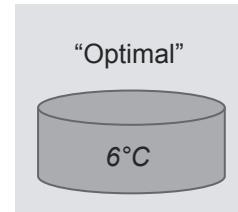
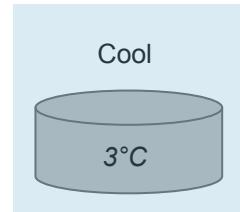
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ORIGINAL PAPER

The combined effects of ocean warming and ocean acidification on Pacific cod (*Gadus macrocephalus*) early life stages

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(and Warm+Acidified)

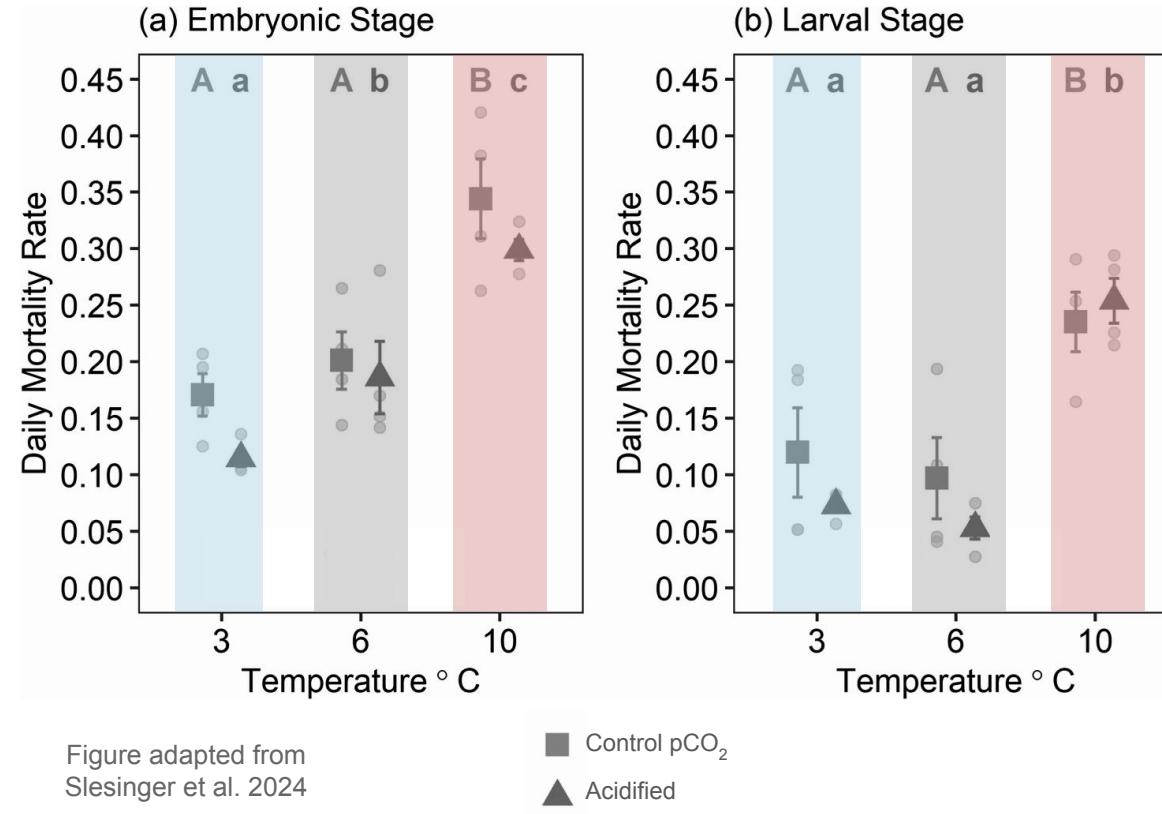


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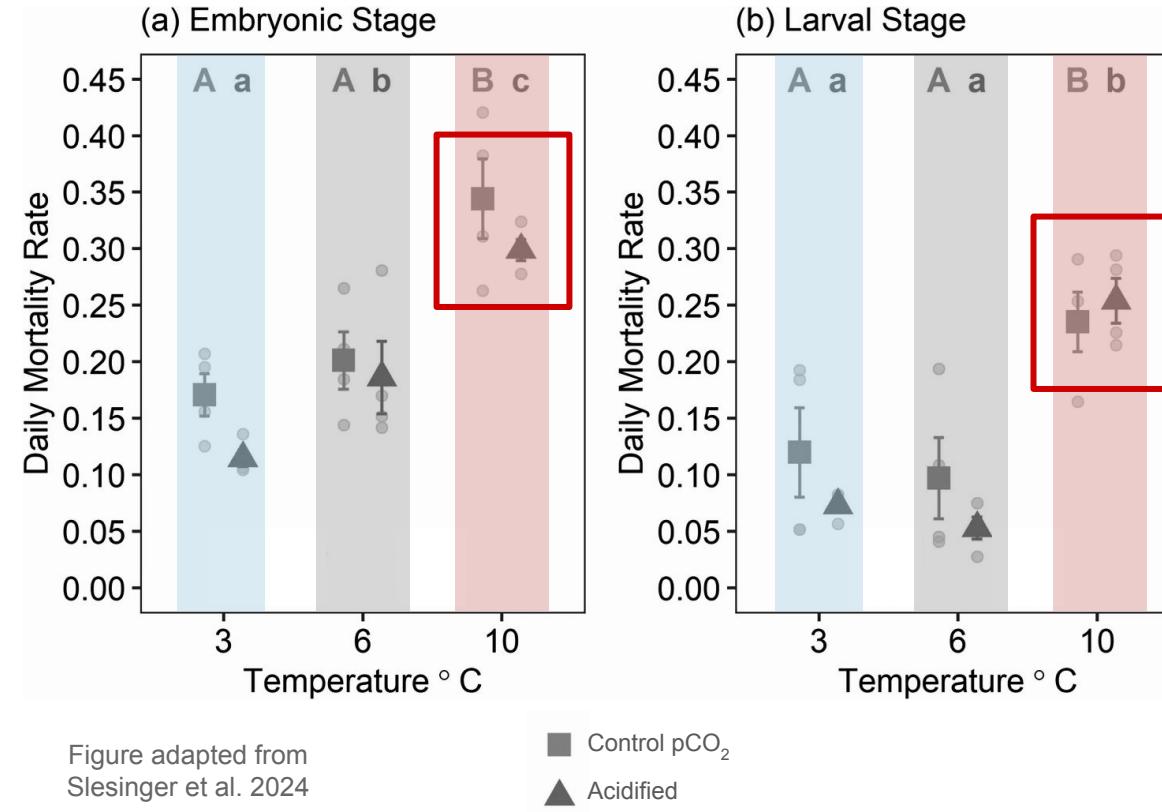
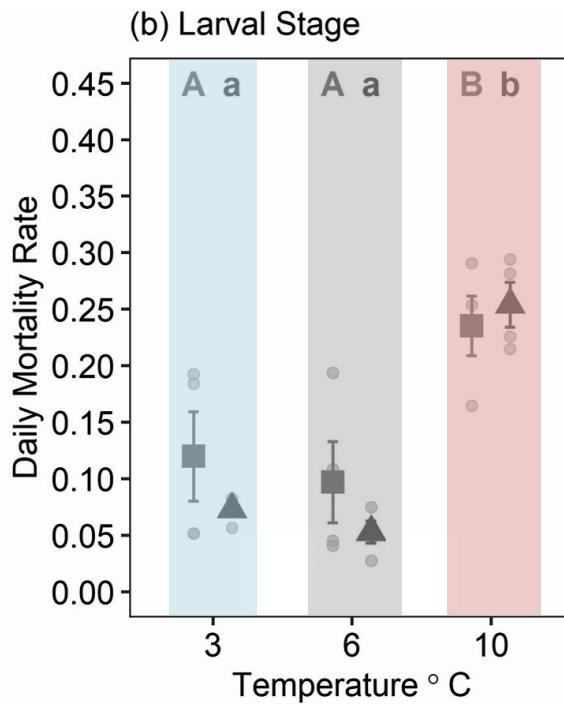


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But why?

- Gene expression analysis
- 73 larval cod individuals
- n=11-14 / treatment
- Whole-body tissue

Goal: Capture energy allocation, mechanisms of mortality in moribund larvae

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■ Control pCO₂
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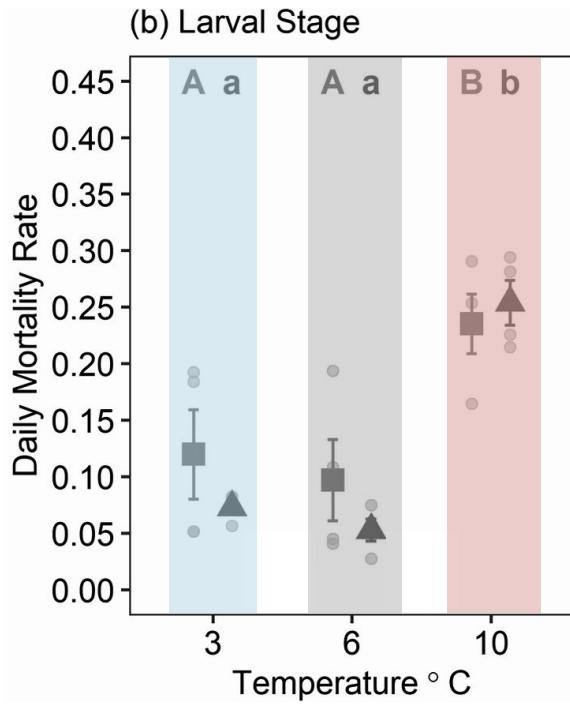
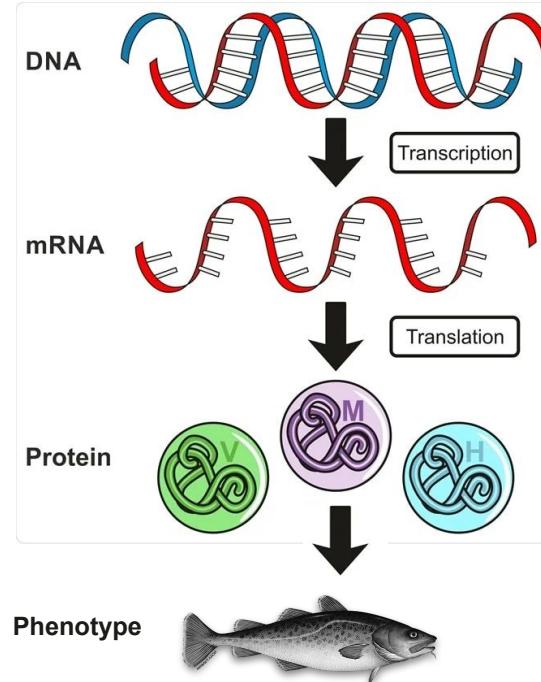


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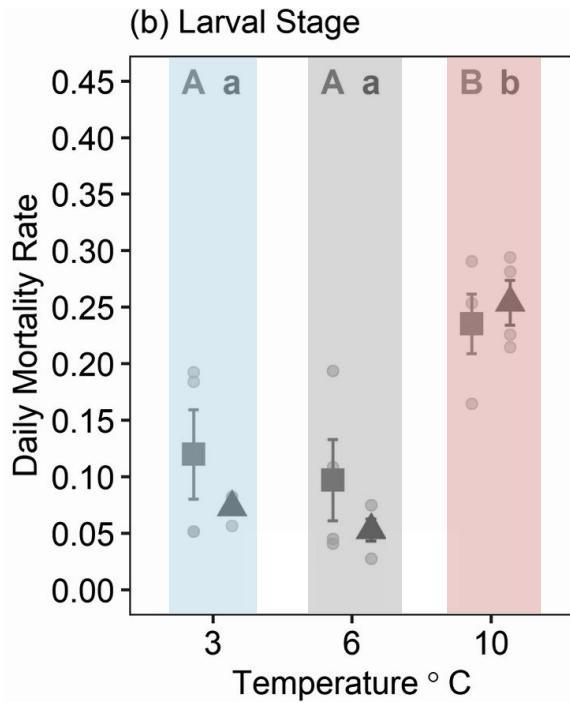
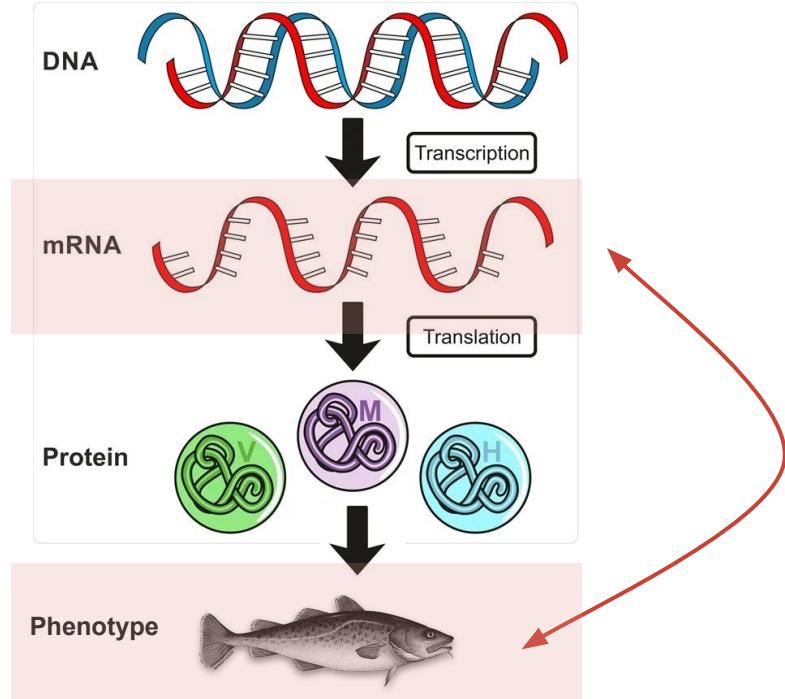


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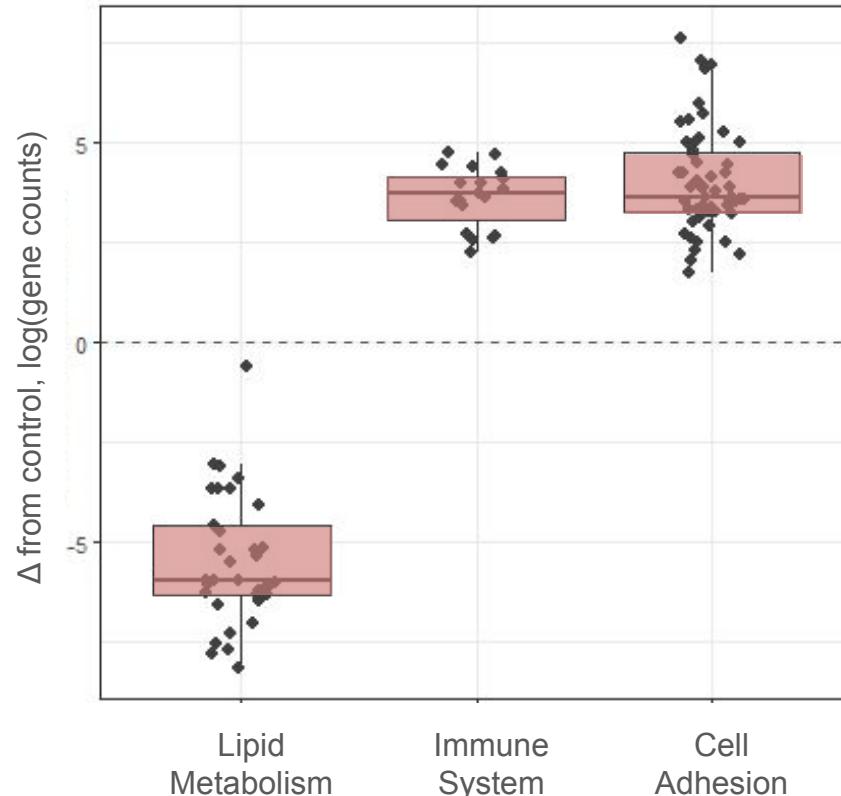
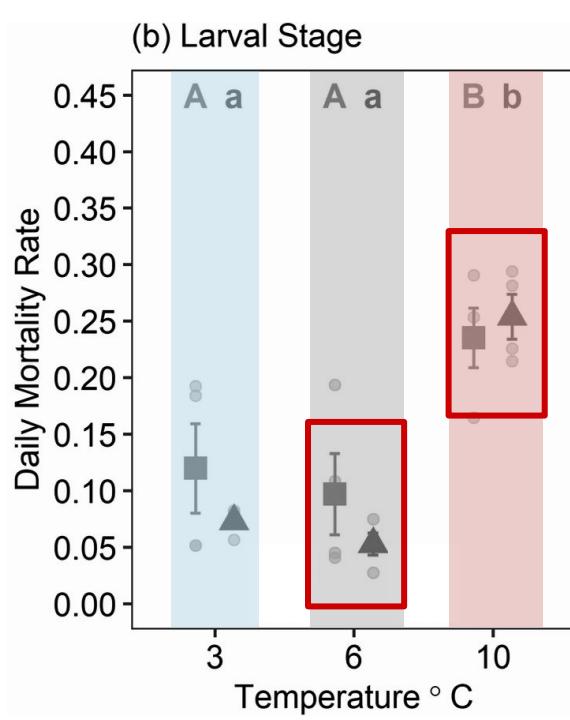


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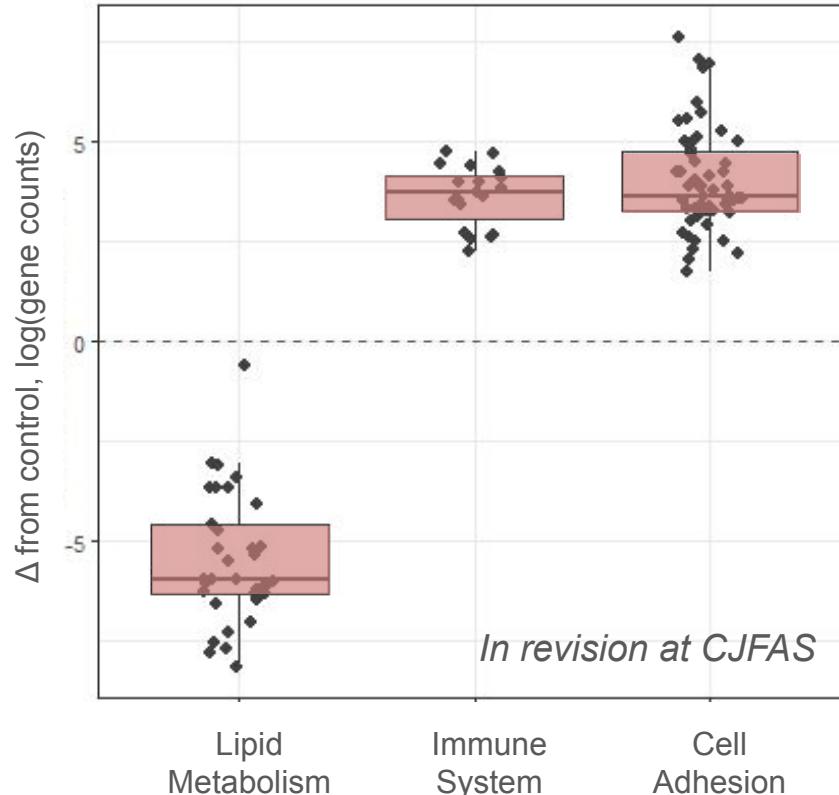
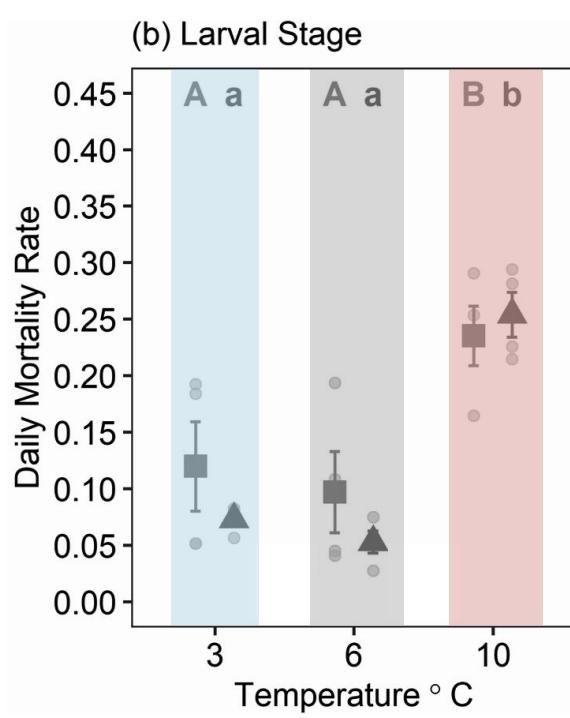


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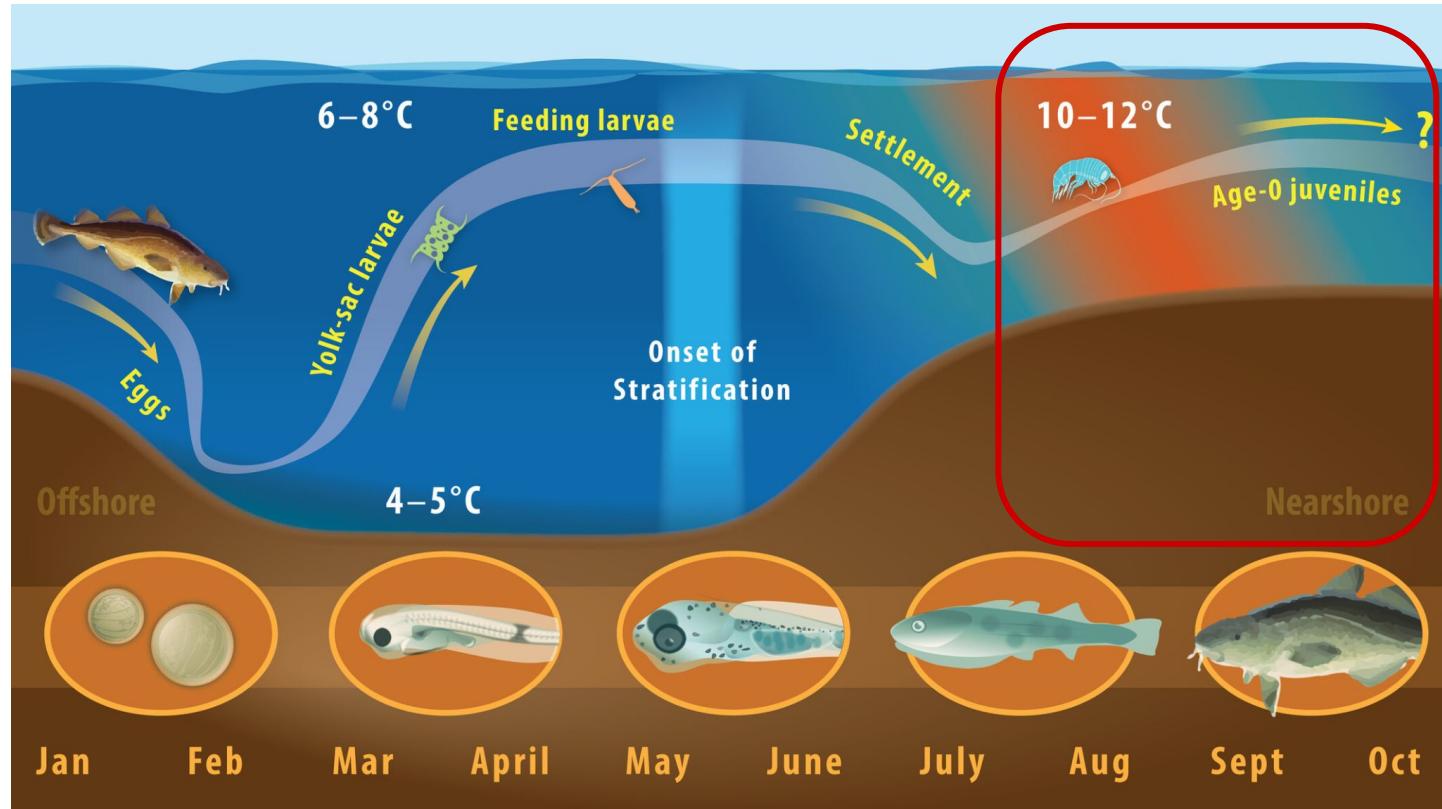
Warming increases larval mortality rates, which likely was a factor influencing recruitment during heatwave years.

Slesinger et al. 2024, Mar. Bio.

Mechanisms of larval mortality in warming could reflect energetic limitations paired with energy-demanding inflammation and cellular instability.

Spencer et al. In Revision, CJFAS

2. Juvenile study



Experimental Team



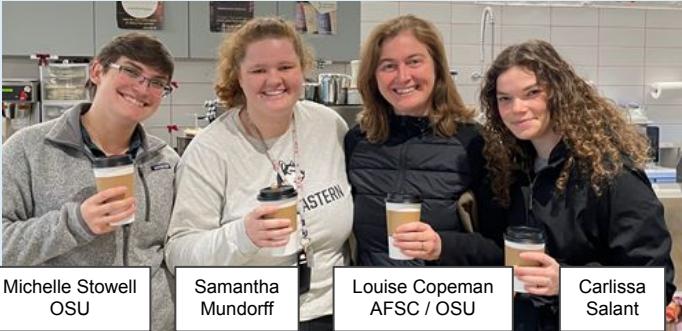
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How does temperature affect **juvenile** Pacific cod growth, survival, & energy allocation in their first fall/winter?

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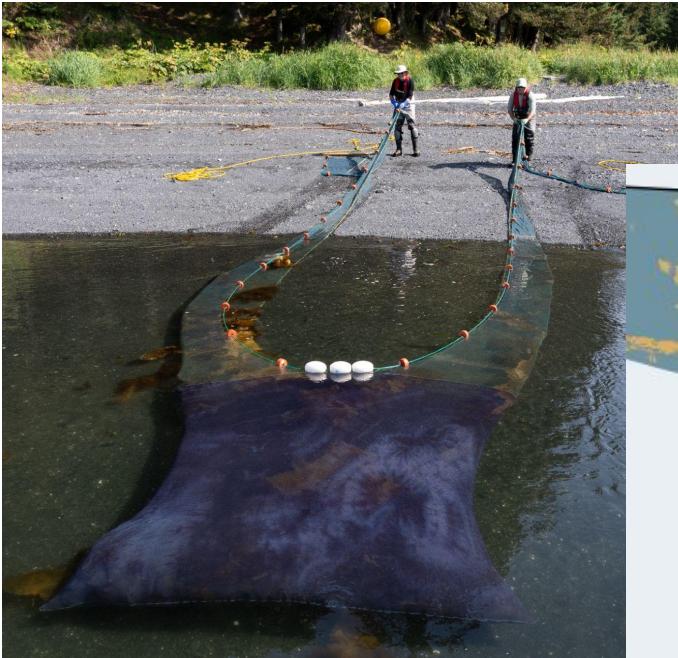


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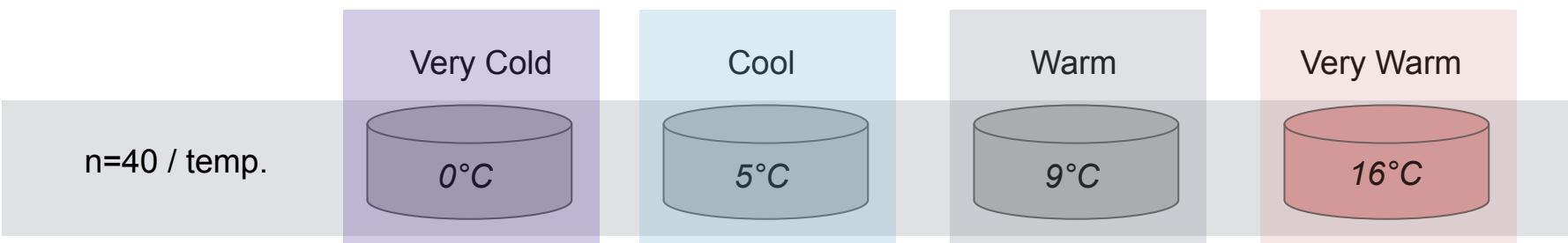


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Juvenile temperature experiment



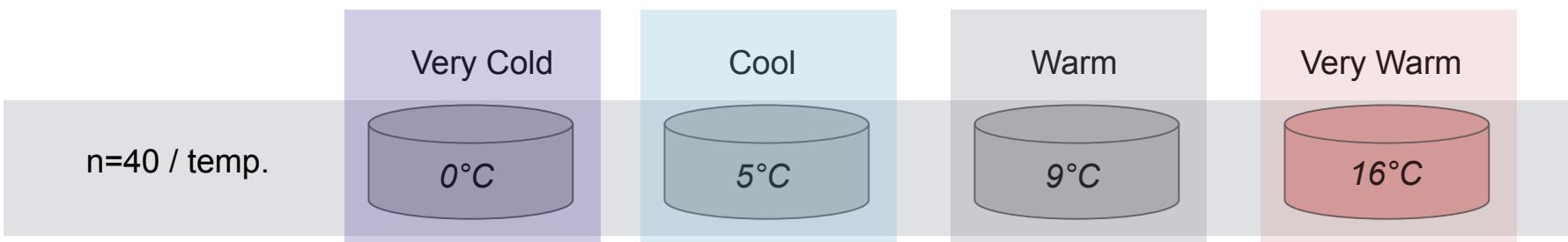
- Wild juveniles (age-0) caught off Kodiak, AK late summer
- Transported to Newport, OR wet lab
- Acclimated
- ~6 weeks experiment



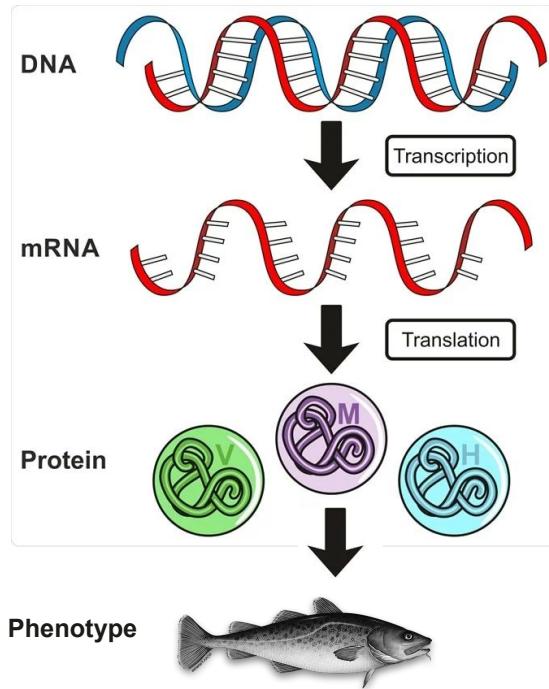


Individuals tagged, collected:

- a. Genetics with fin clips, n=40/temp (IcWGS)
- b. Growth rates (length & wet weight) during acclimation, treatment
- c. Body condition (Kwet)
- d. Liver condition (HSI)
- e. Survival
- f. Liver lipid components (n=25/temp)
- g. Gene expression with liver, n=18/temp (RNASeq)

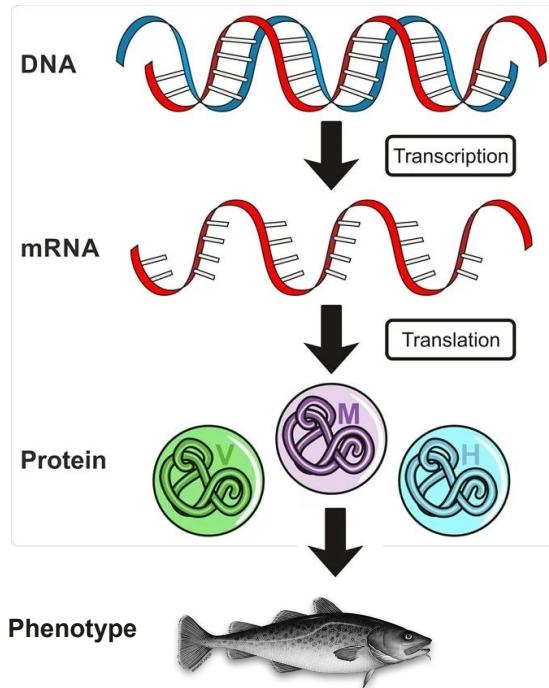


“Genome-to-Phenome” dataset, Pacific cod juvenile temperature response



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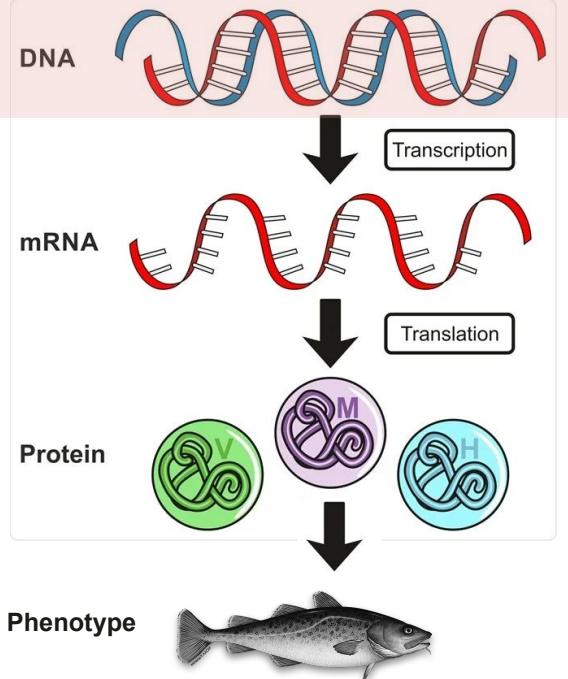


1. Genetics –
Who are they?
2. Phenotypes –
How does warming affect key traits?
3. Integrate datasets –
Why are some fish less sensitive?

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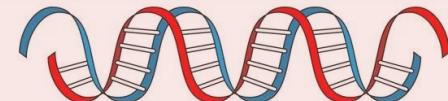


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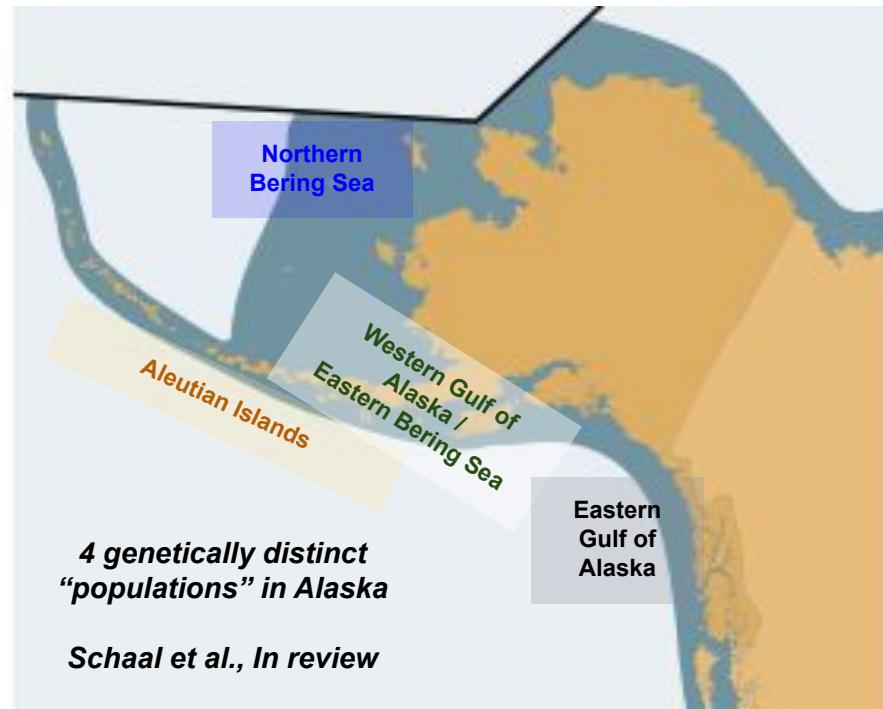
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DNA



Tools used:

- Sequence whole genome ~3x (i.e. “low-coverage”), n=160
- High-quality reference genome for alignment & genotype probability data



What does genotype data look like?

Per-sample genotype

Genome location

~160 samples

~350,000 sites

Possible alleles: A, G, T, C
1 from each parent

Chromosome	Site	Sample 1	Sample 2
Chr1	10,000,065	A/A	G/A
Chr1	10,000,883	C/C	C/T
Chr1	10,001,961	G/G	A/T
Chr1	10,002,133	C/C	C/T
Chr1	10,002,294	G/A	G/A

What does genotype *probability* data look like?

Most common
Second most common

Per-sample genotype probabilities

~160 samples

Genome location

Chrom.	Site	Major Allele	Minor Allele	Sample 1 G/G	Sample 1 G/A	Sample 1 A/A	Sample 2 G/G	Sample 2 G/A	Sample 2 A/A
Chr1	10,000,065	G	A	0.00	0.33	0.67	0.03	0.97	0.00
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Sample 1:
67% probability of
A/A

Sample 2:
97% probability of
G/A

~350,000 sites

Use genotype probability data to ***predict population of origin***

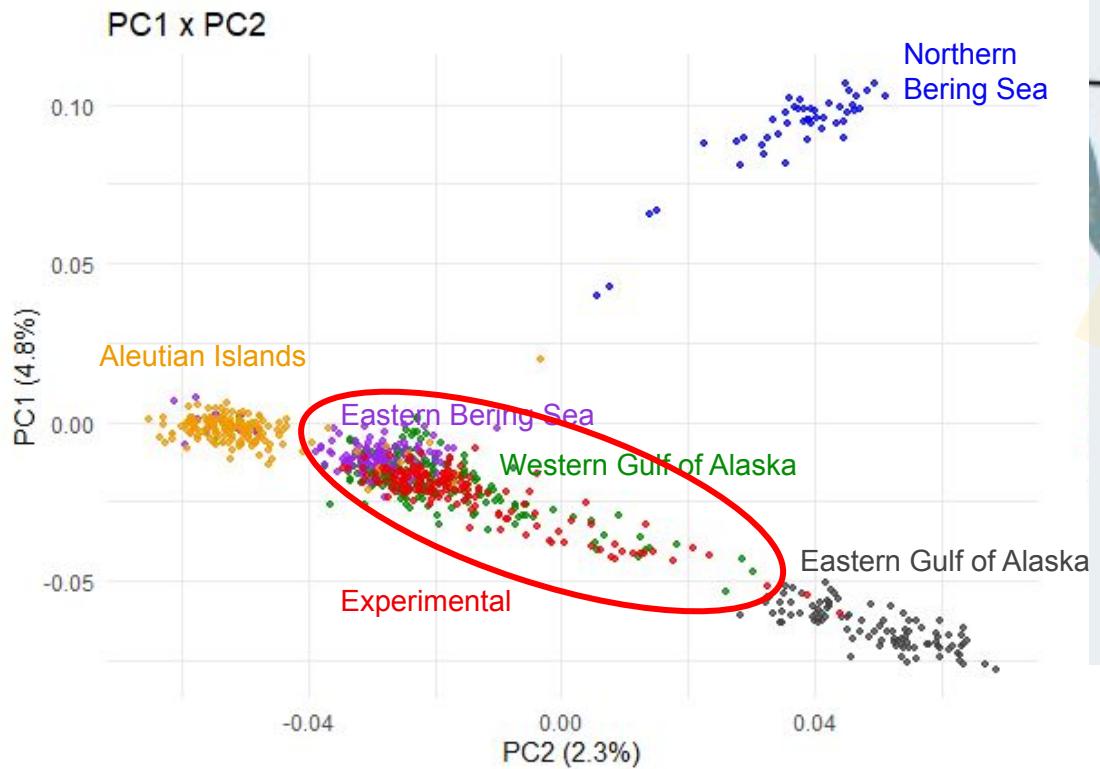
Used genotype probabilities from:

- 160 experimental fish
- More data: ~55 fish per population
(Schaal et al. *In review*), “reference fish”

1. Identified sites associated with population differences (top Fst)
2. Identified best sites (n=6,101) that predict population, ~96% assignment accuracy in reference fish
3. **Predict population of origin for experimental fish** (`wgsassign`)



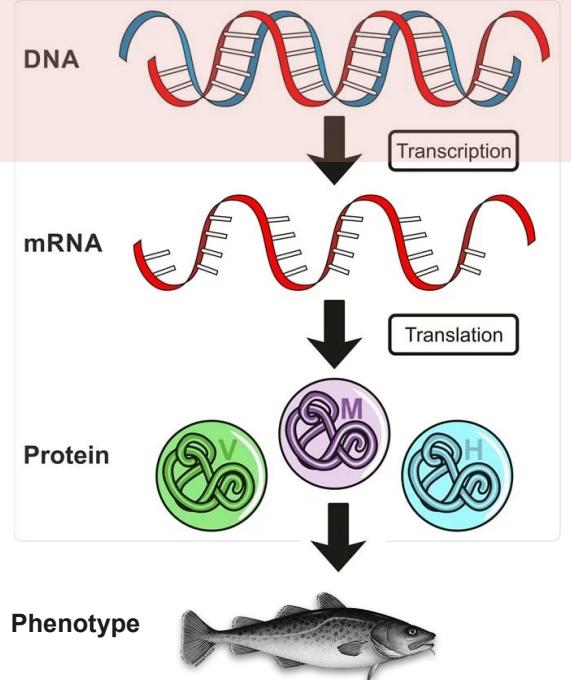
Predicted population of origin = Western GOA / Eastern Bering Sea group



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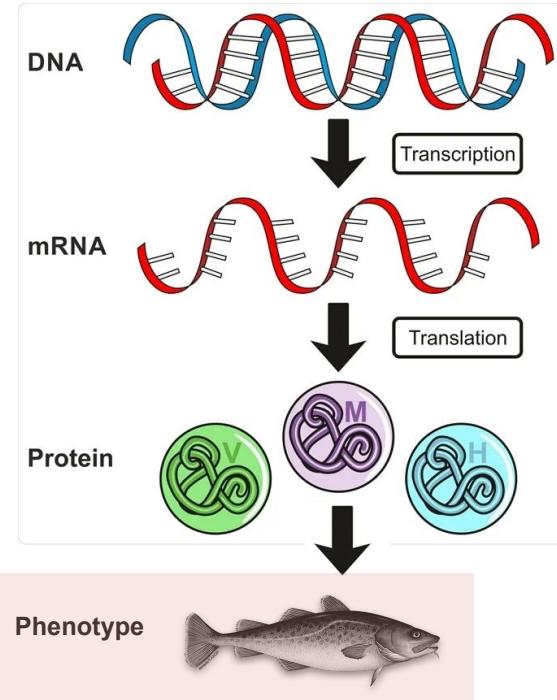
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- Phenotypes – how are survival-associated traits affected?



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Phenotypes - growth rate, liver condition, lipid content

Growth Rate (weight)

Faster growth 

Hepatosomatic index (liver size)

Larger liver 

Total Lipid Content in liver

More lipid 

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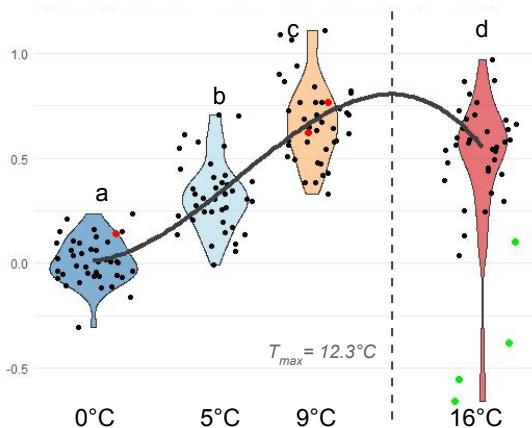
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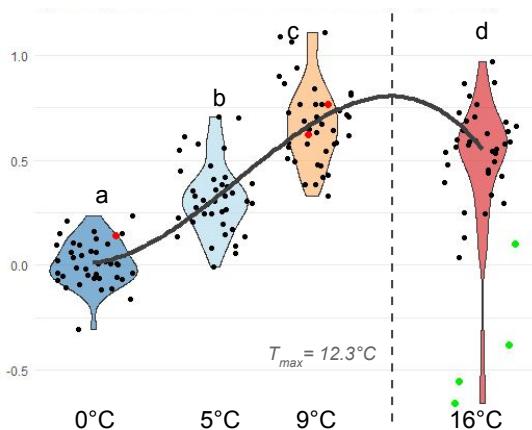
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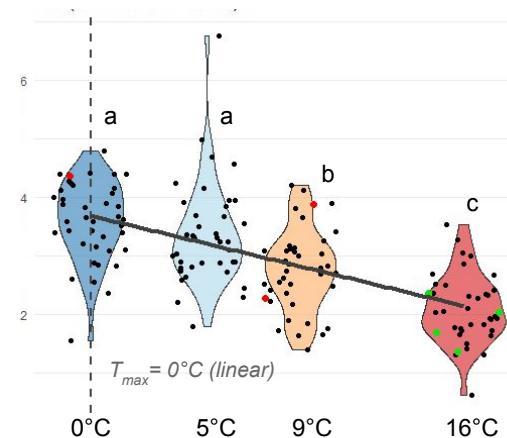
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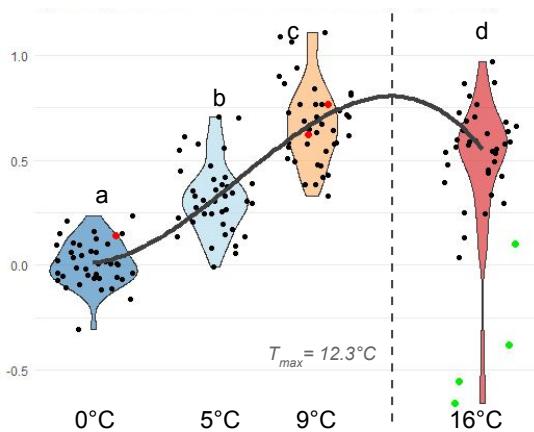
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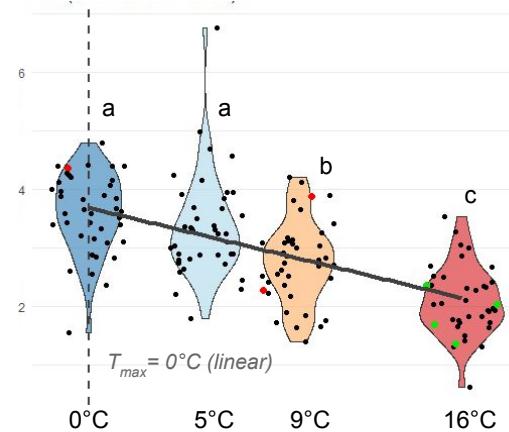
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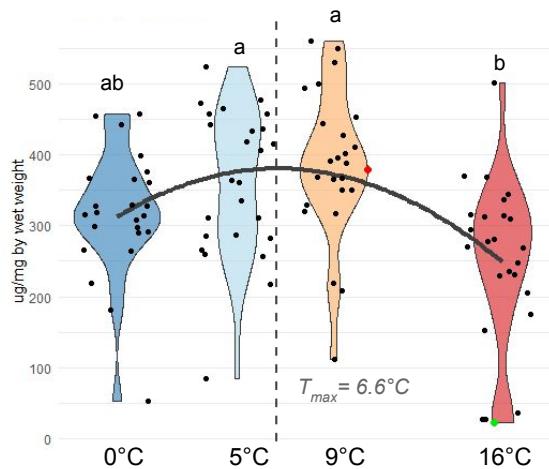
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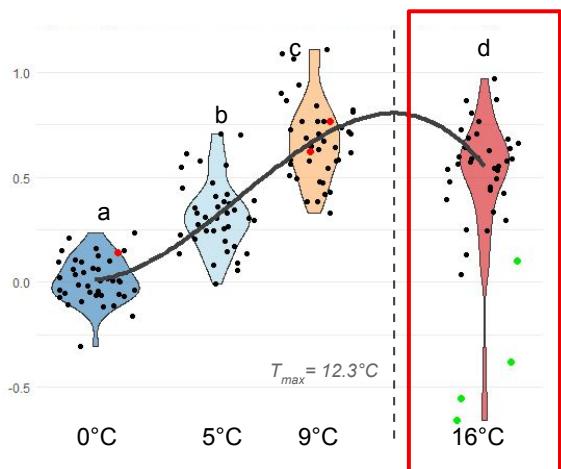
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Warming decreased lipid reserves

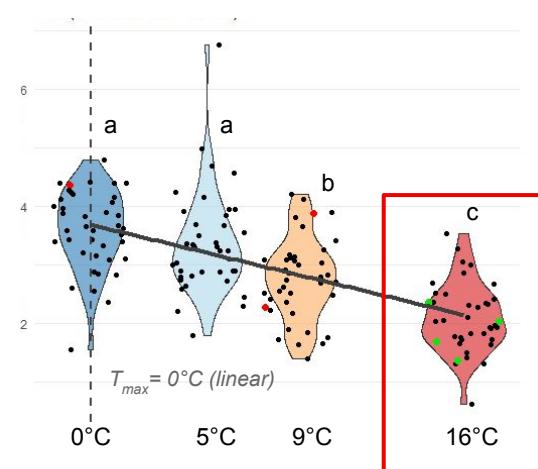
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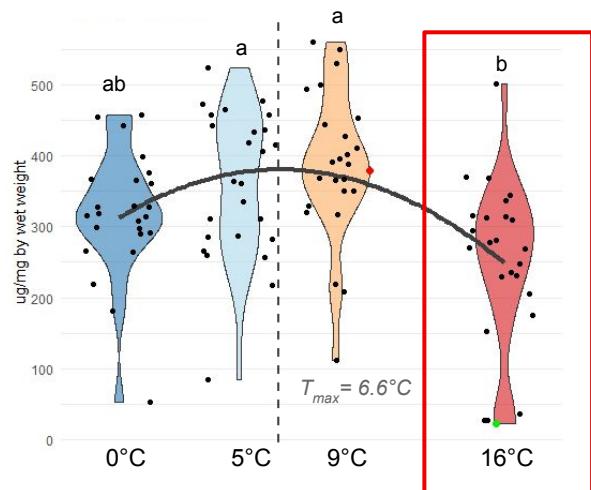
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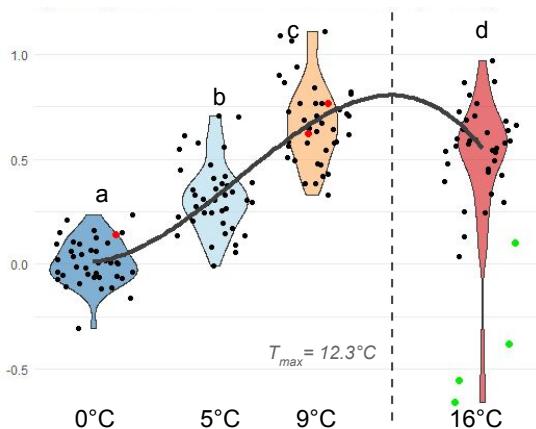
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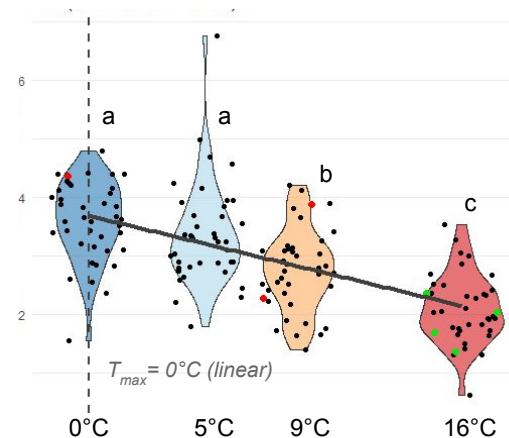
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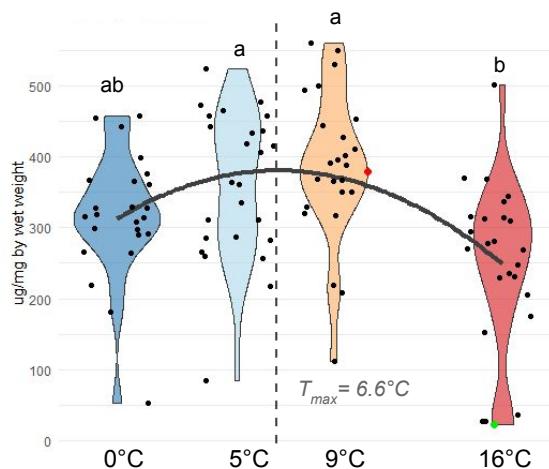
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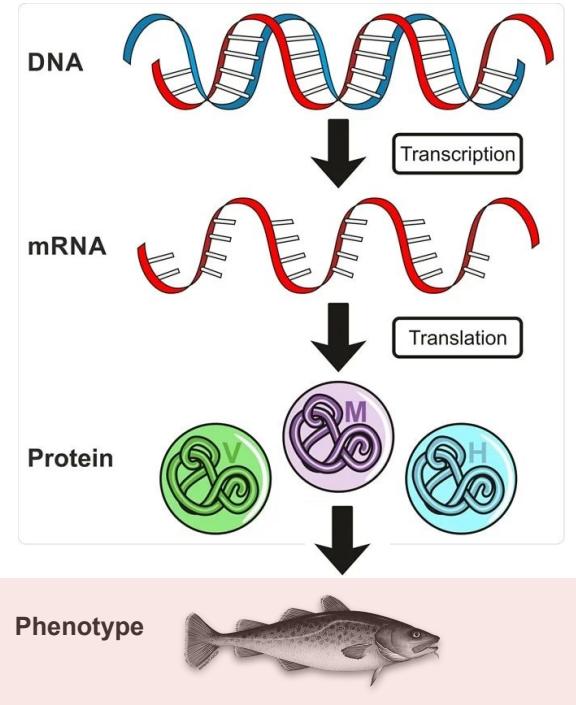
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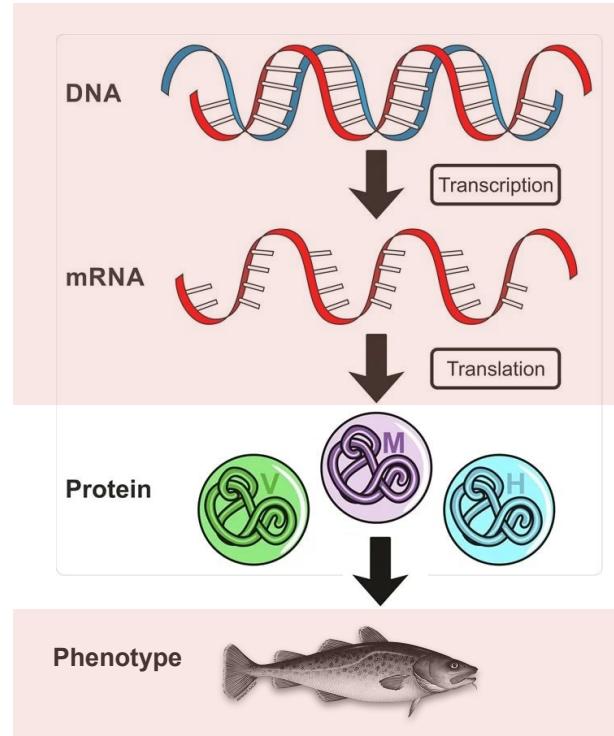
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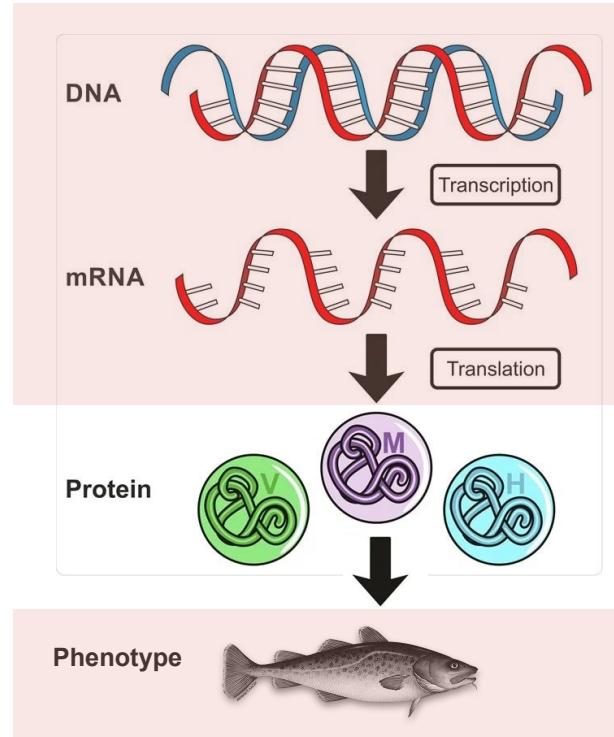
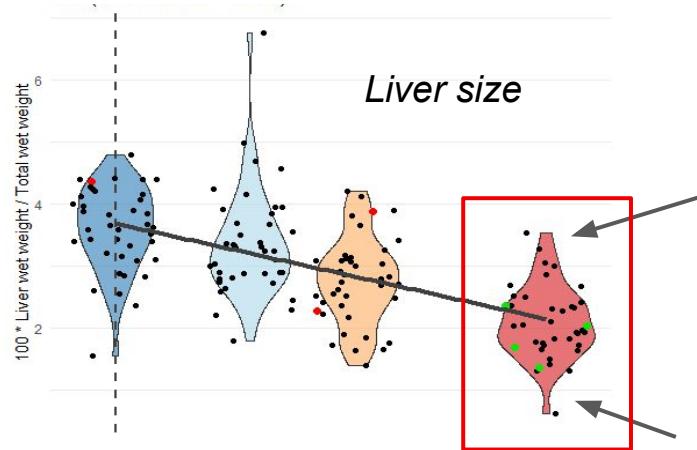
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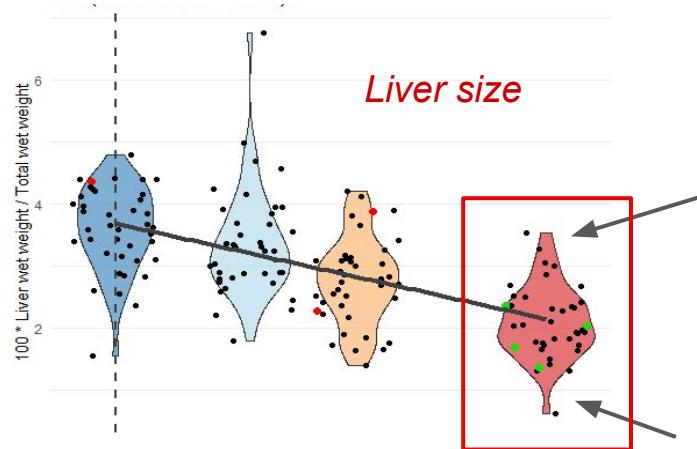
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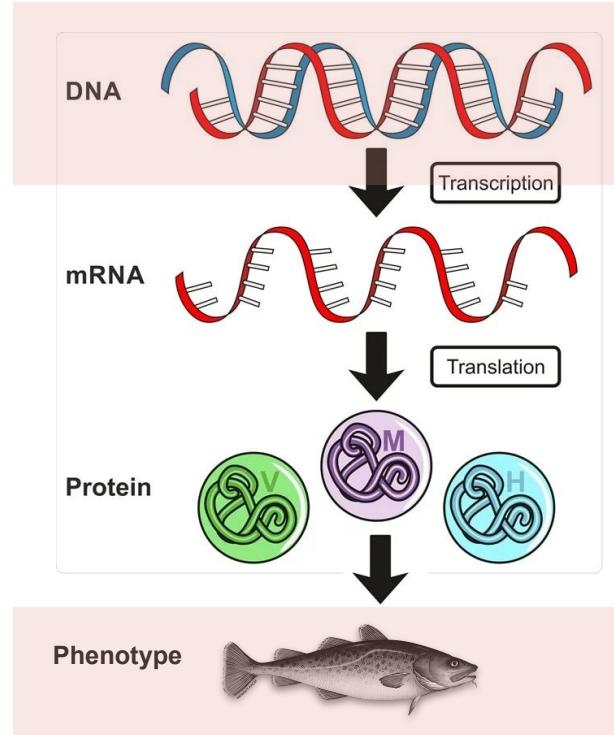
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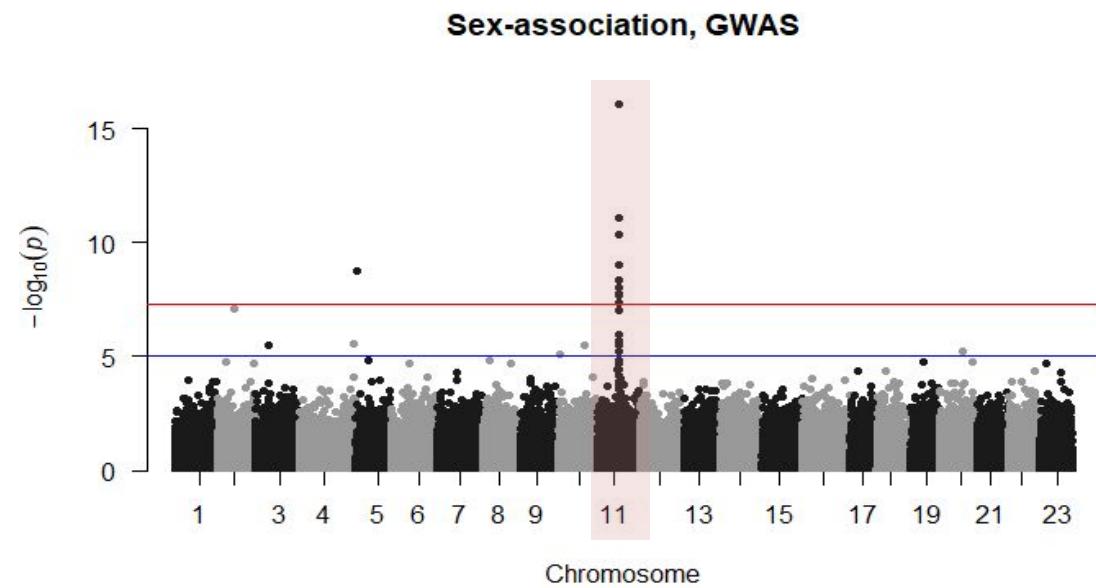
Identified **sites on genome** associated with **liver size**, lipid content, & growth in warming

Genome-Wide Association Studies (GWAS) within each treatment



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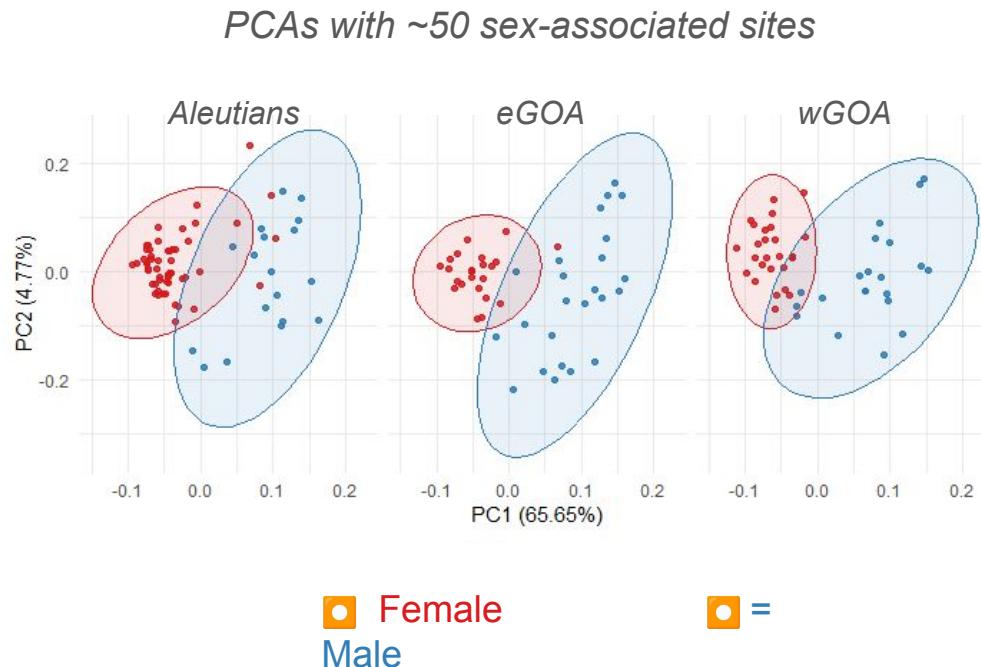
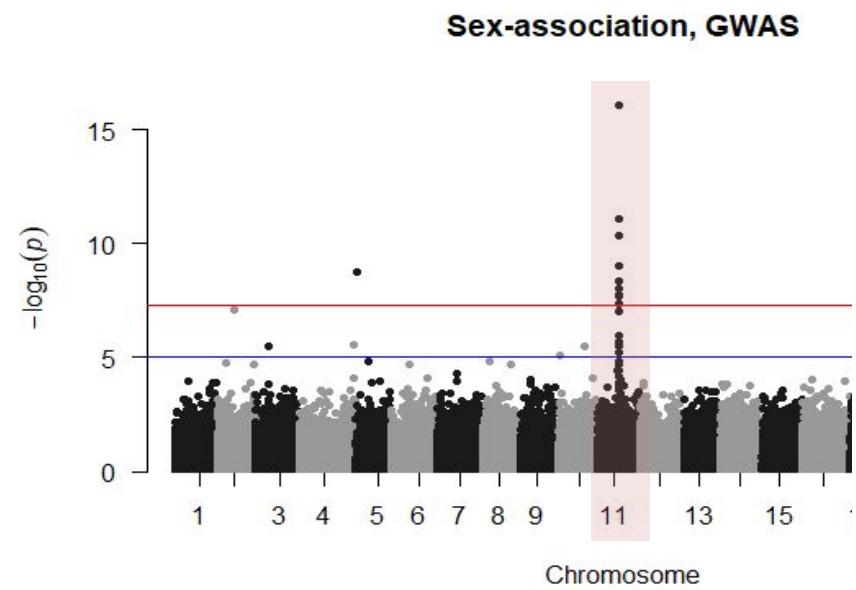
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Leveraged genetic data from
~60 females & ~100 males

*Data from Schaal et al. In
review*

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*Sex marker in same Chromosome
11 region in Atlantic cod*

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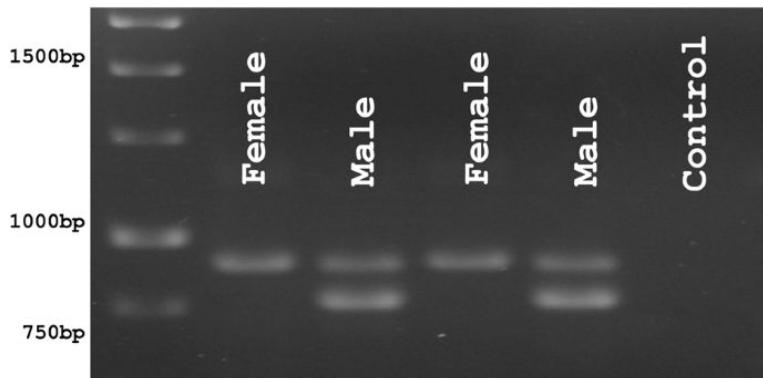
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From the University of Washington, School of Aquatic and Fishery Sciences, Seattle, Washington (Drinan); International Pacific Halibut Commission, Seattle, Washington (Loher); University of Washington, School of Aquatic and Fishery Sciences, Seattle, Washington (Hauser).

Genetic markers add sex data from commercially caught halibut to assessment



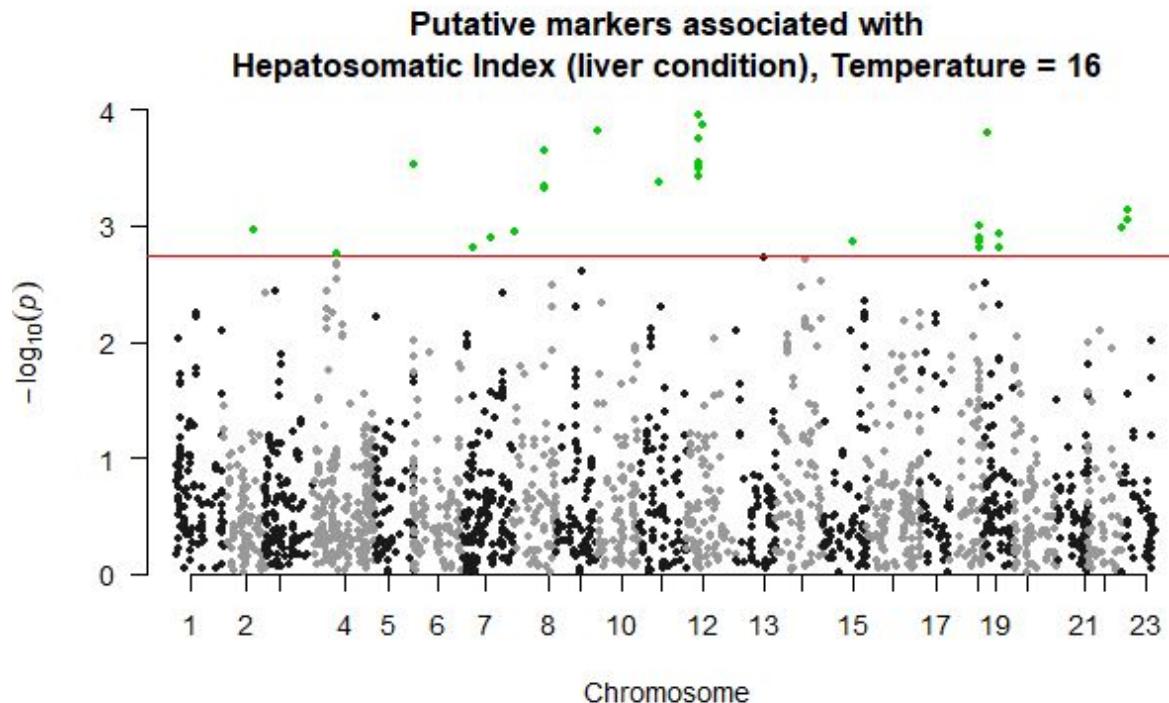
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Genetic Markers (SNPs) For Sex Identification

The sex ratio of the commercial fishery catch represents an extremely important source of uncertainty in the annual stock assessment (Stewart and Hicks, 2020). The IPHC has generated sex information of the entire set of aged commercial fishery samples on an annual basis since 2017 (>10,000 fin clips per year). Sex information is obtained using genetic techniques based on the identification of sex-specific single nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs) (Drinan et al., 2018) using TaqMan qPCR assays conducted at the IPHC's Biological Laboratory. Therefore, direct estimates of the sex-ratio at age for the directed commercial fishery are now available for stock assessment. Sex-ratio information of the commercial catch is likely to further inform selectivity parameters and cumulatively reduce uncertainty in future estimates of stock size, in addition to improving simulation of spawning biomass in the MSE Operating Model.

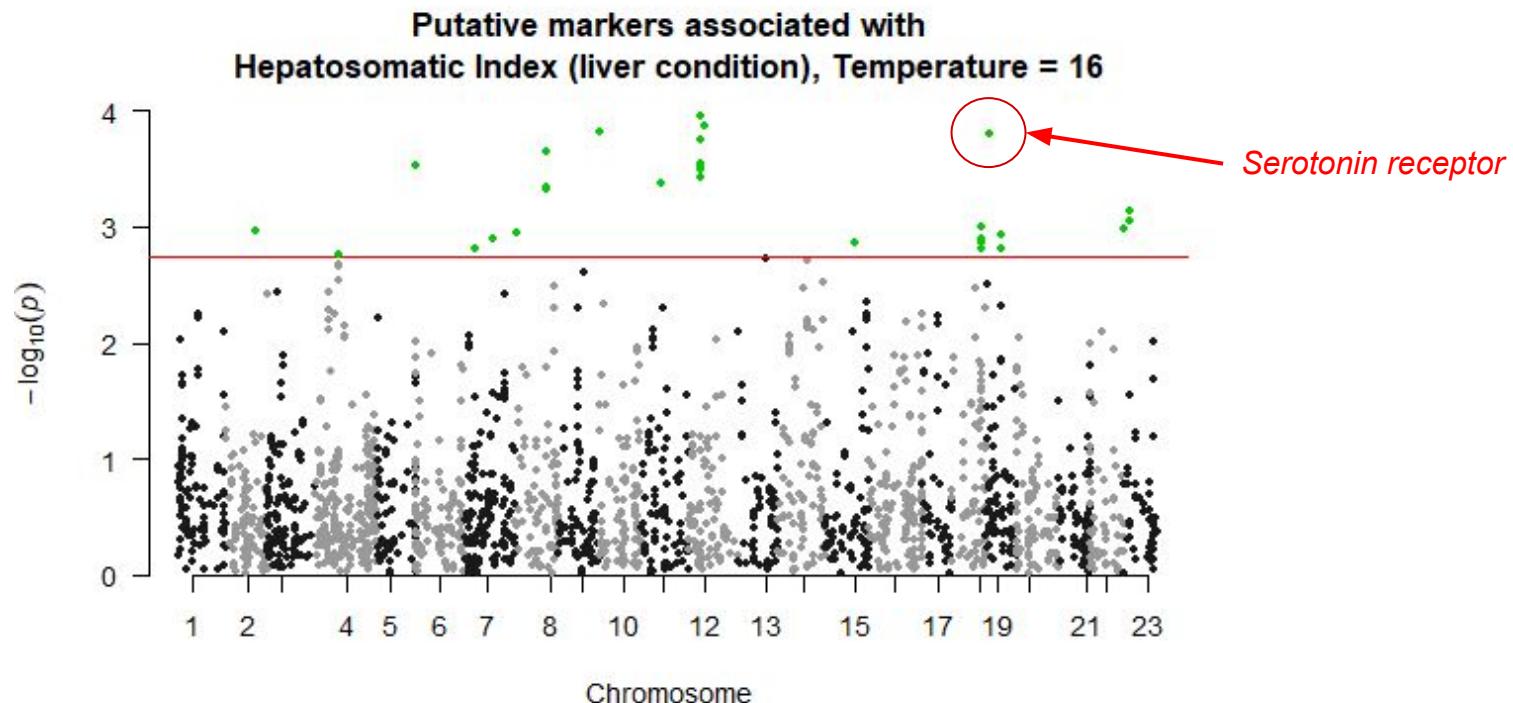


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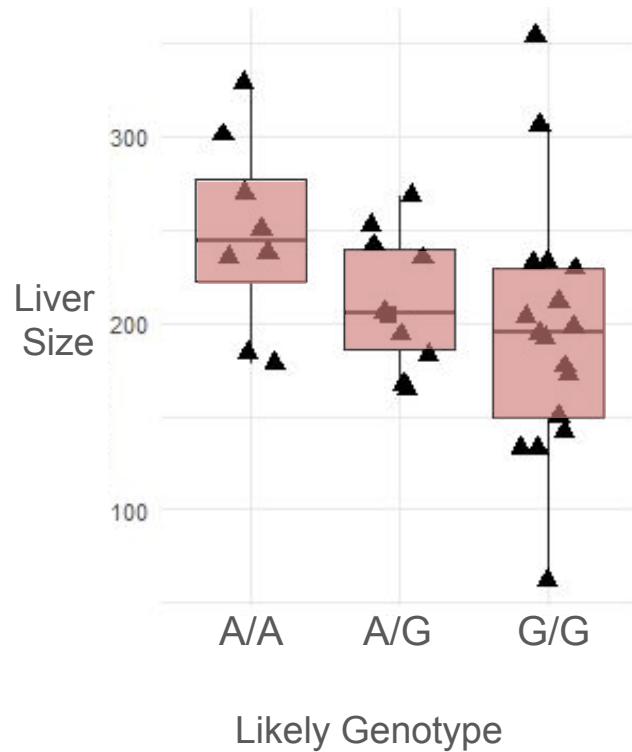


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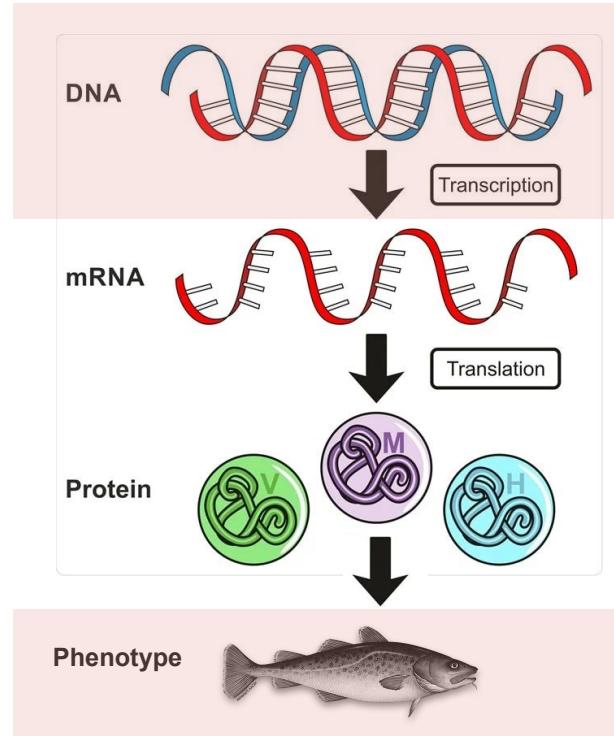
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*Marker in a gene
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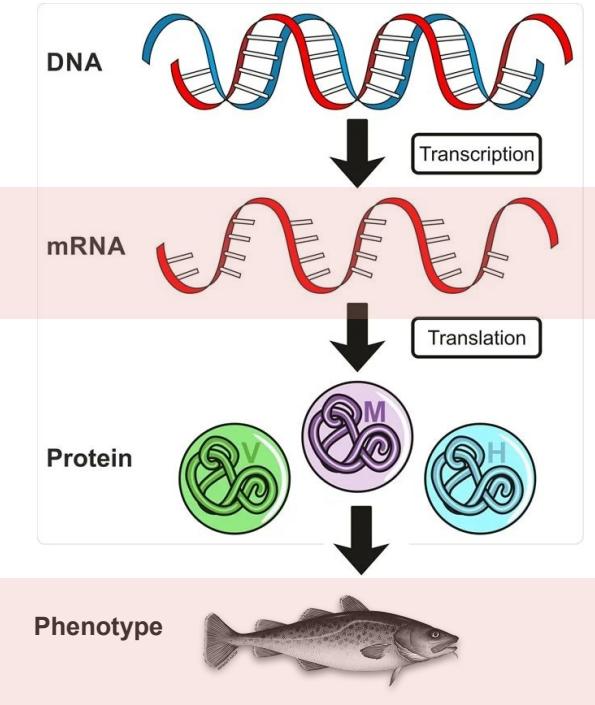
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Gene ID in genome

Samples

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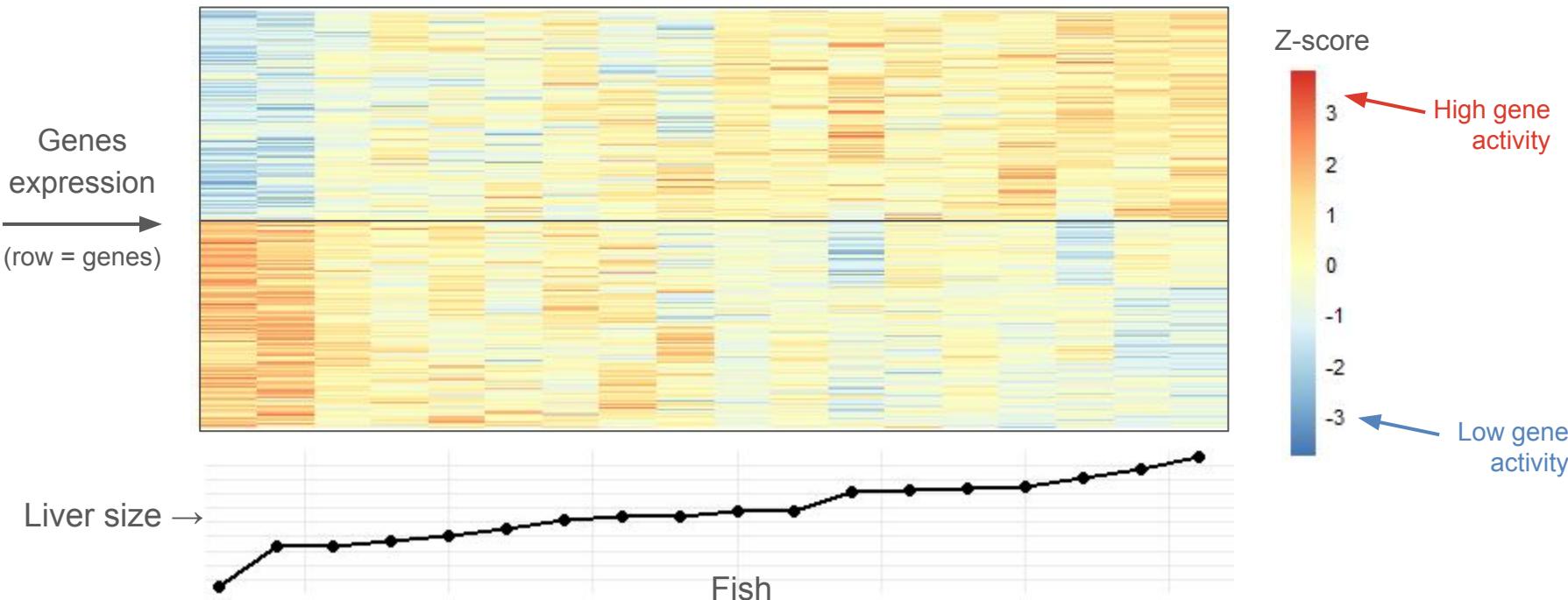
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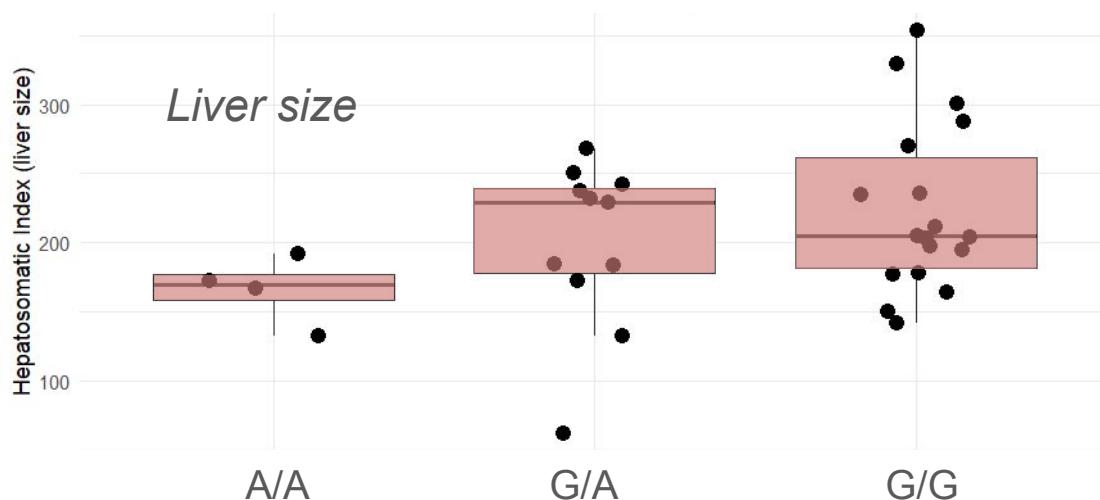
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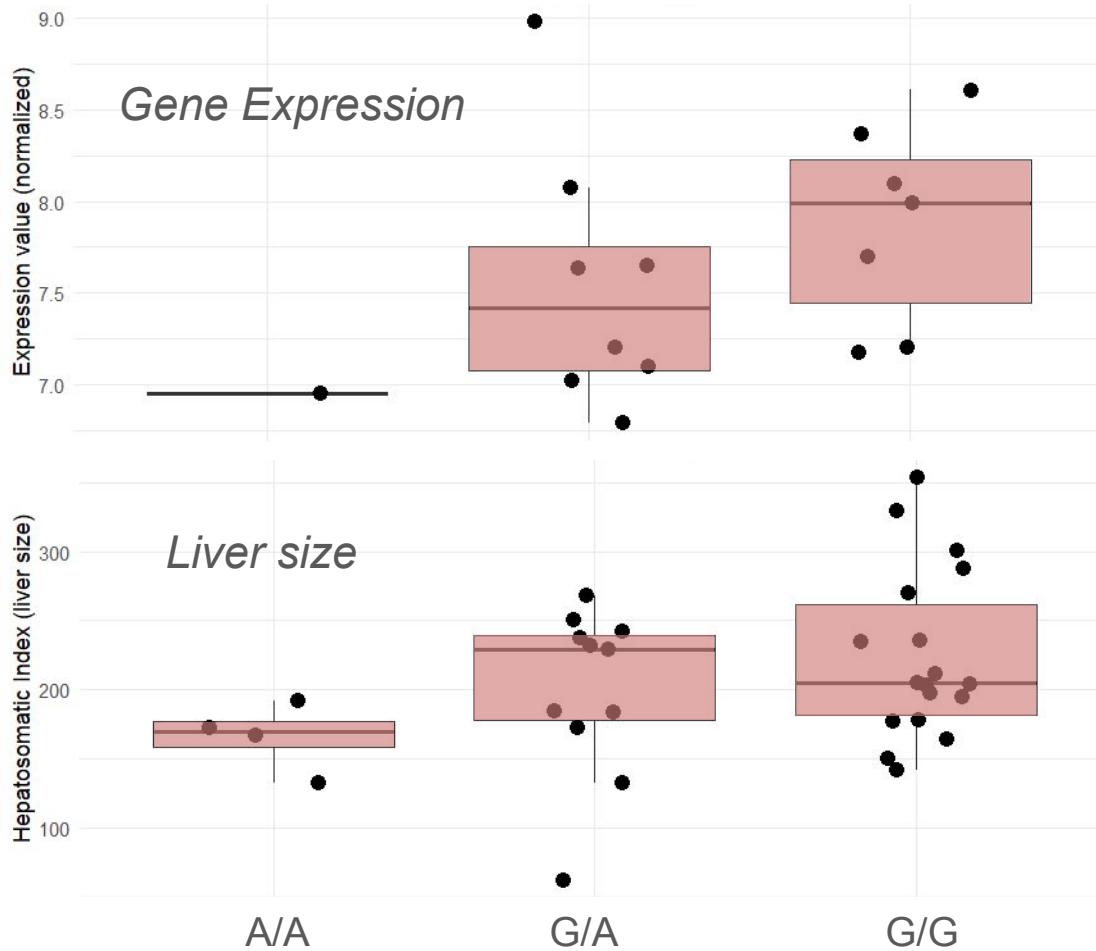
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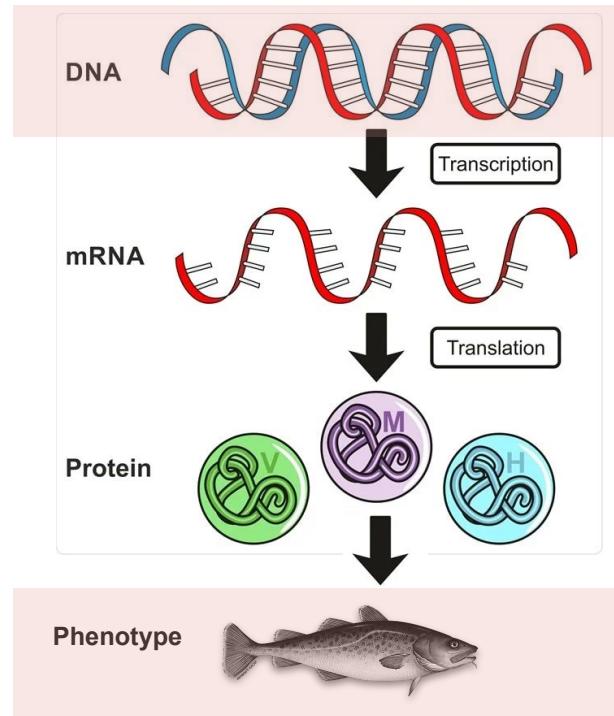
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This marker found in all four temperature treatments

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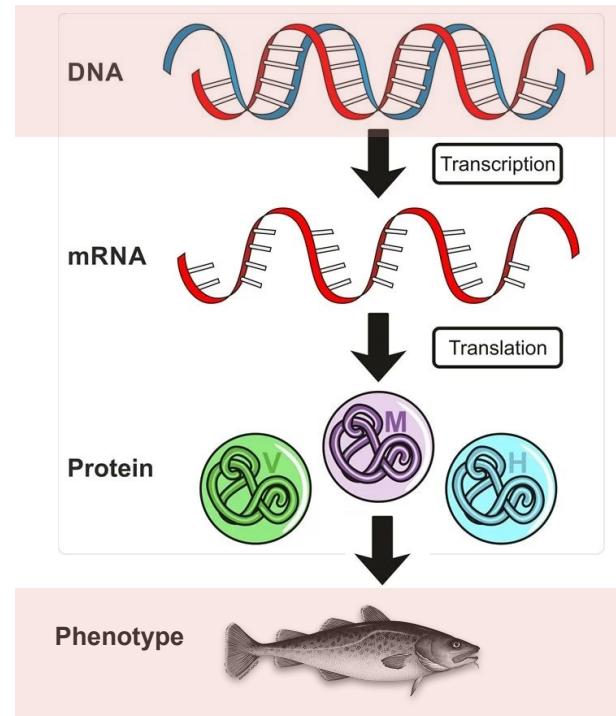
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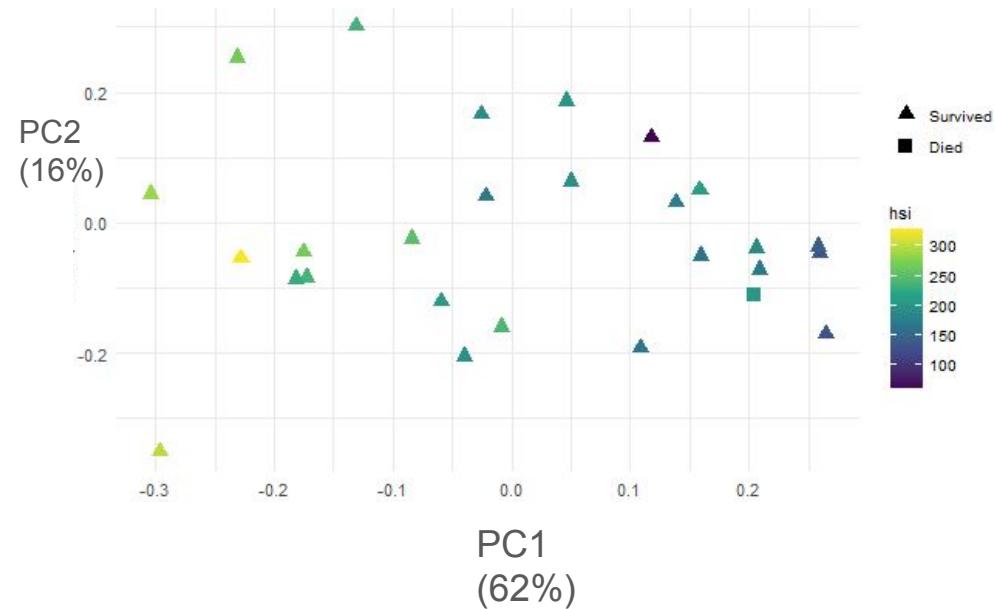
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- Can we predict “performance” or “resilience” of other cod groups using our markers?



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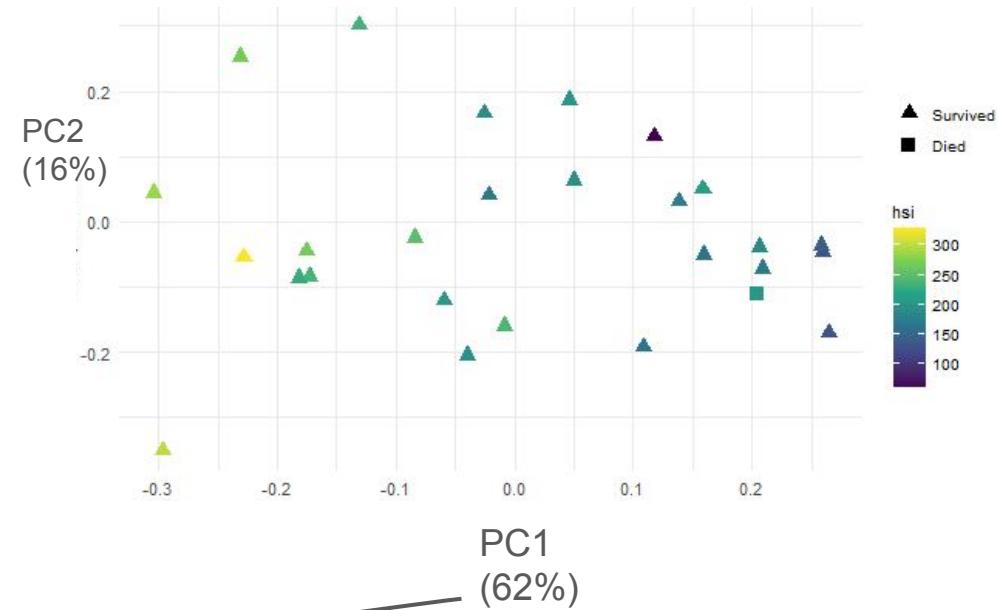
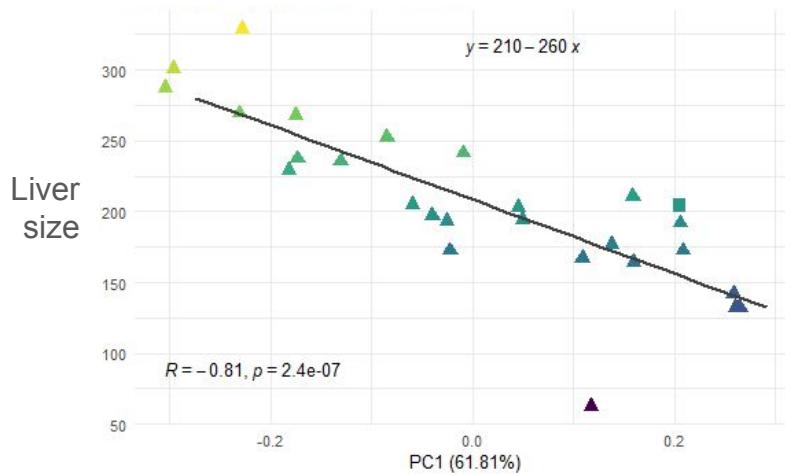
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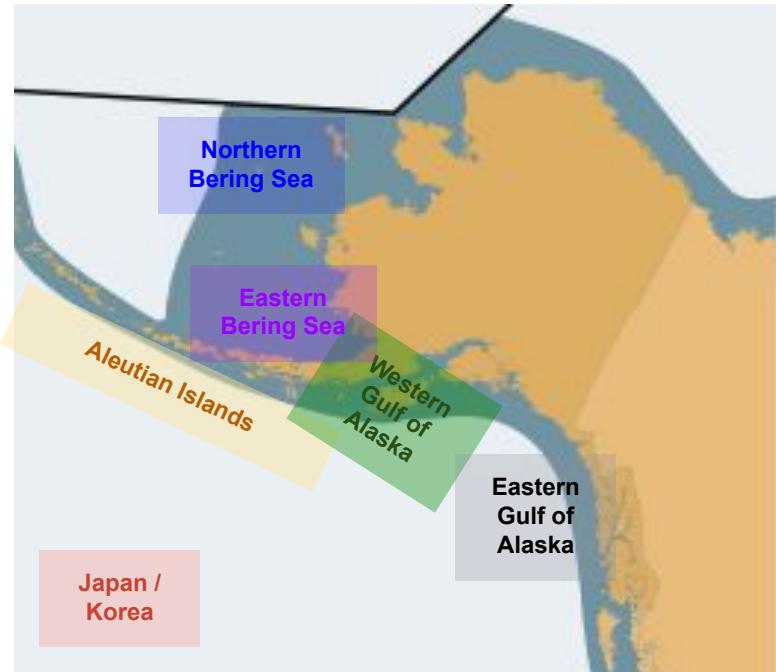
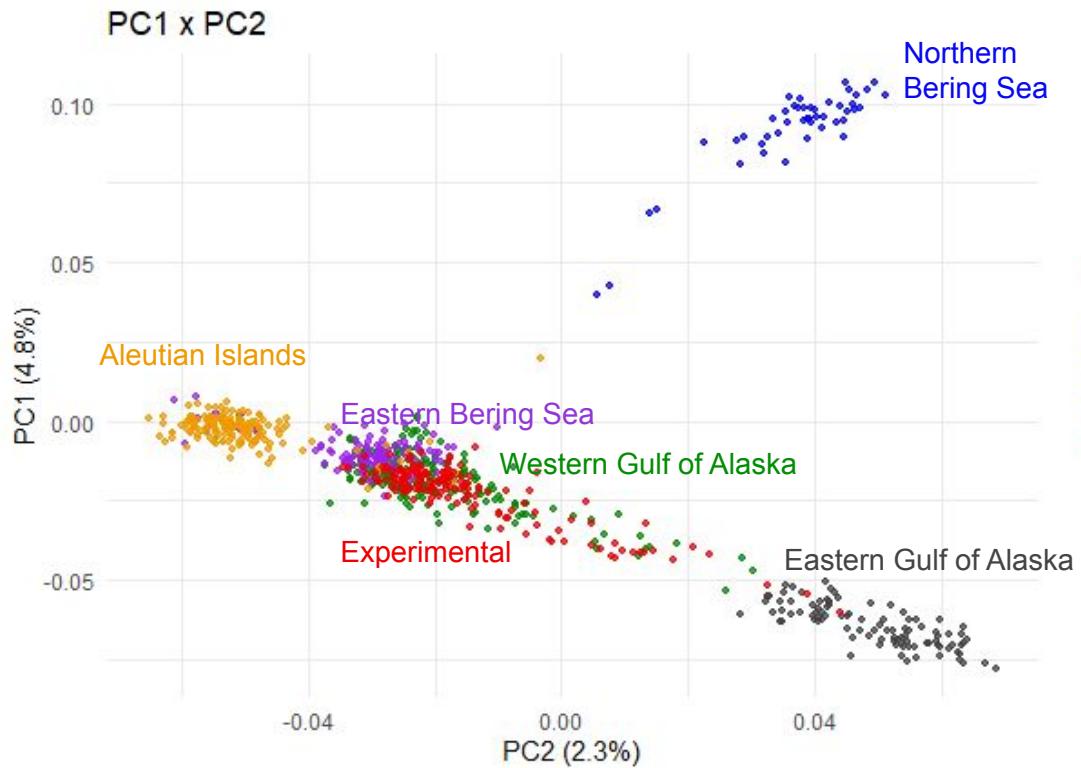
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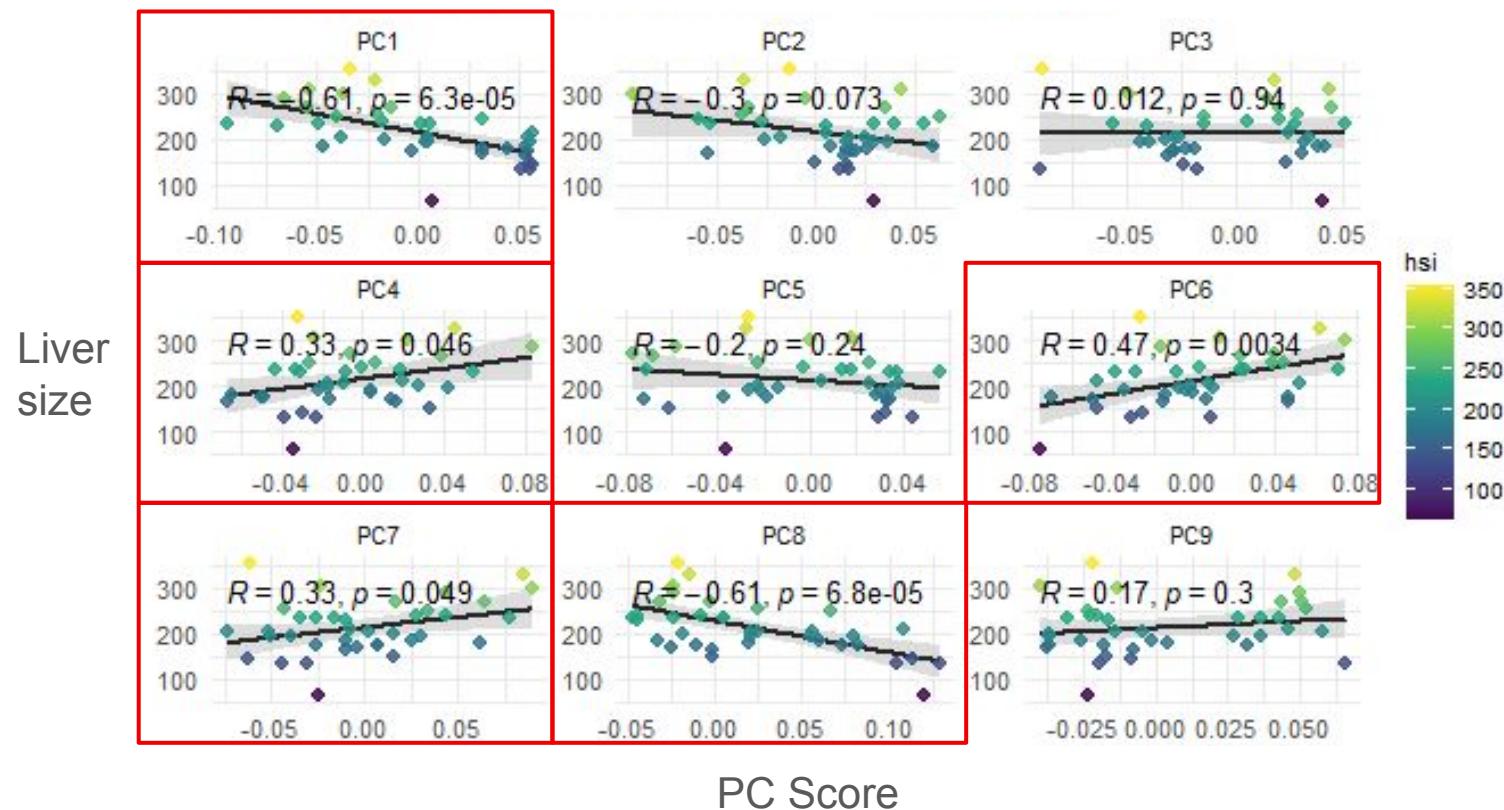
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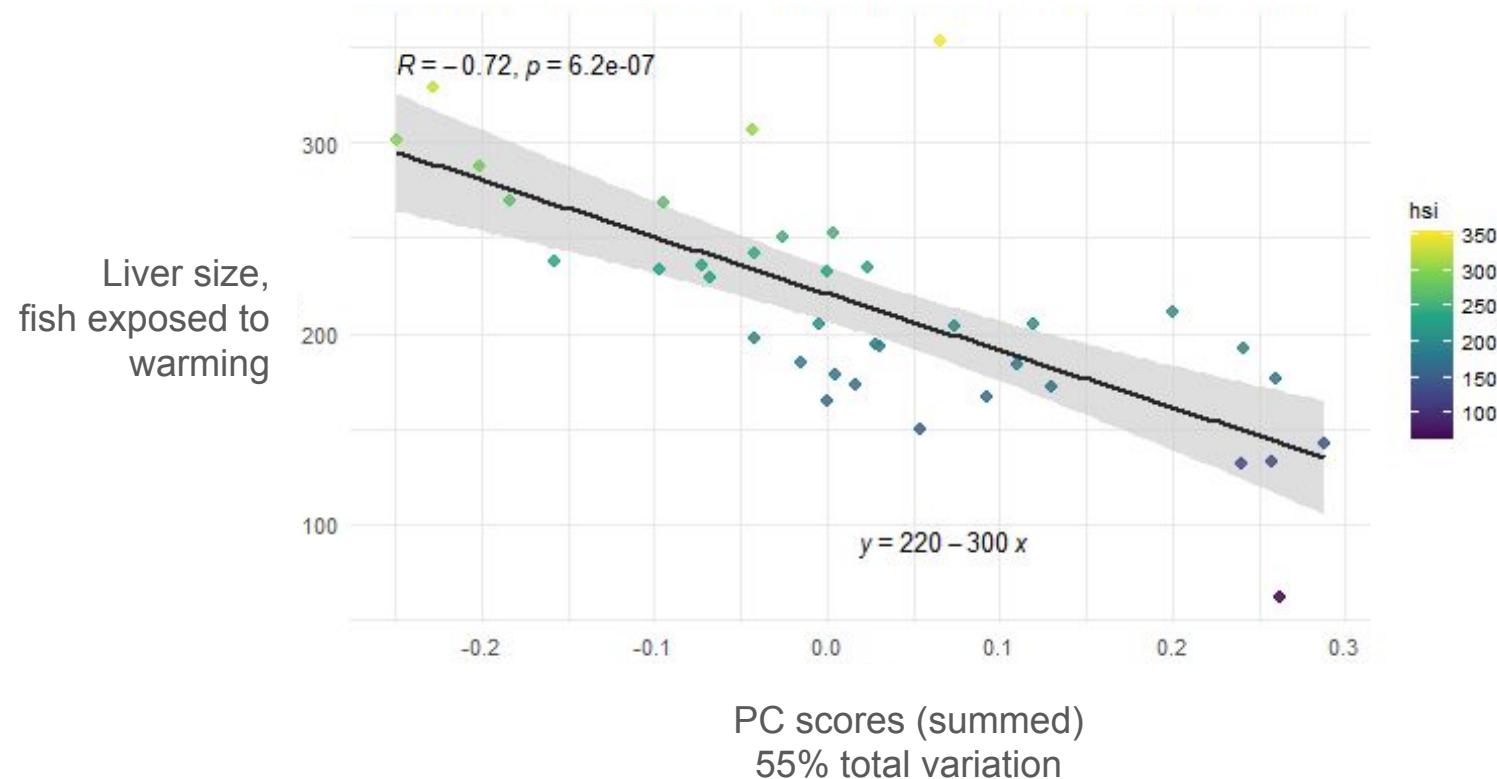
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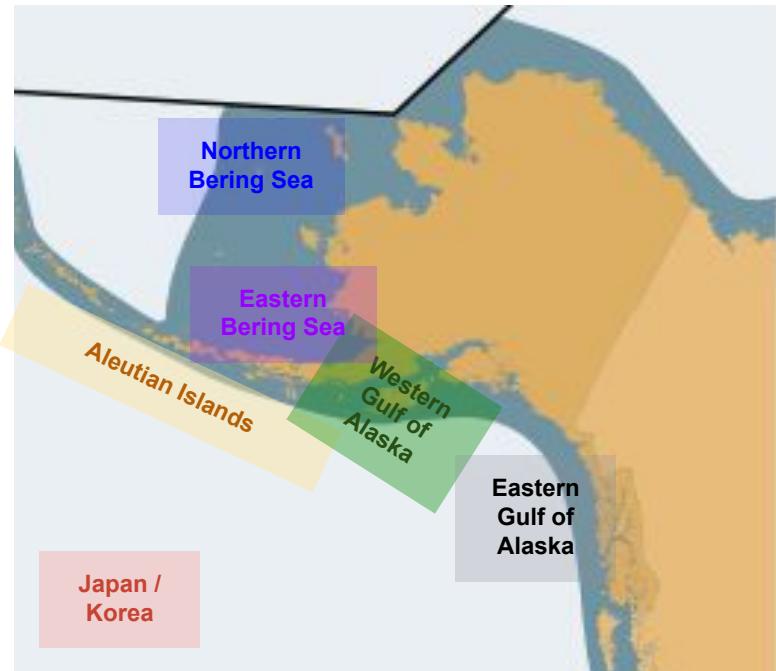
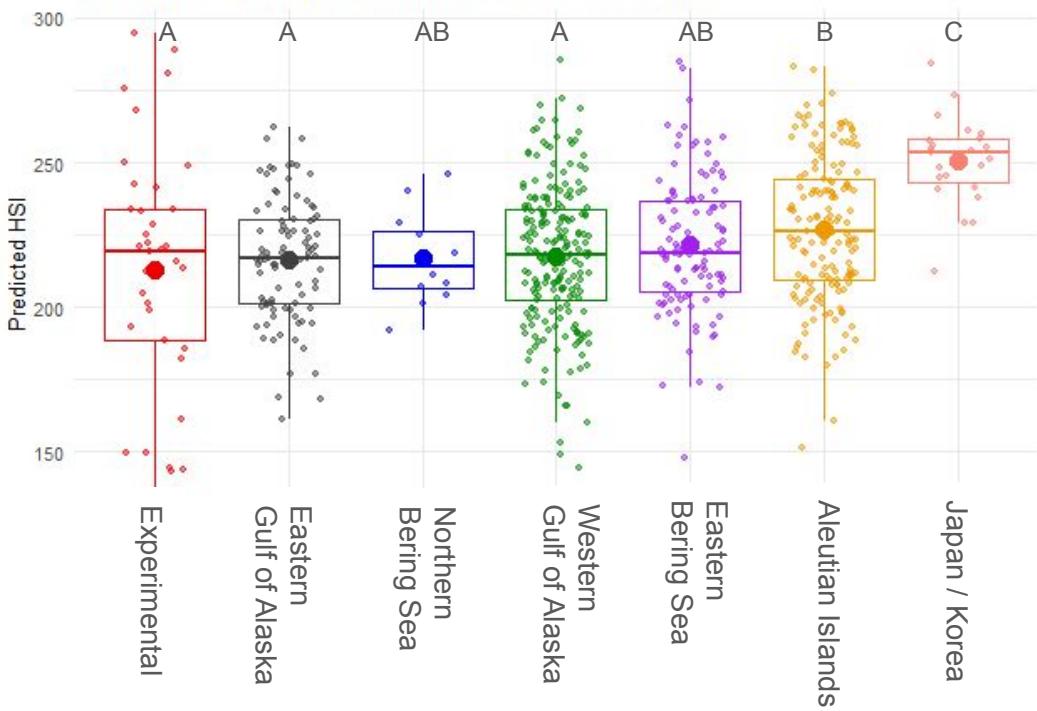
Step 2. Model liver size ~ PC scores in experimental fish



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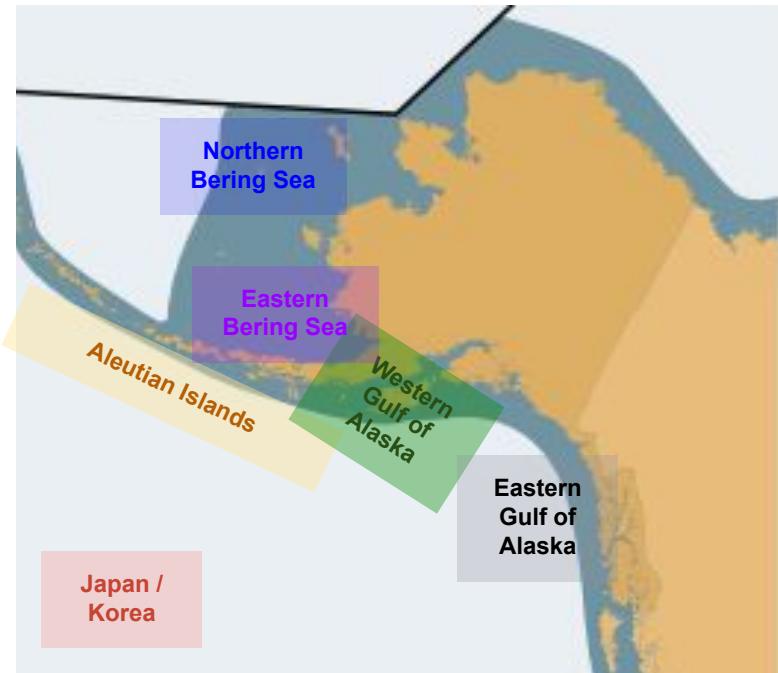
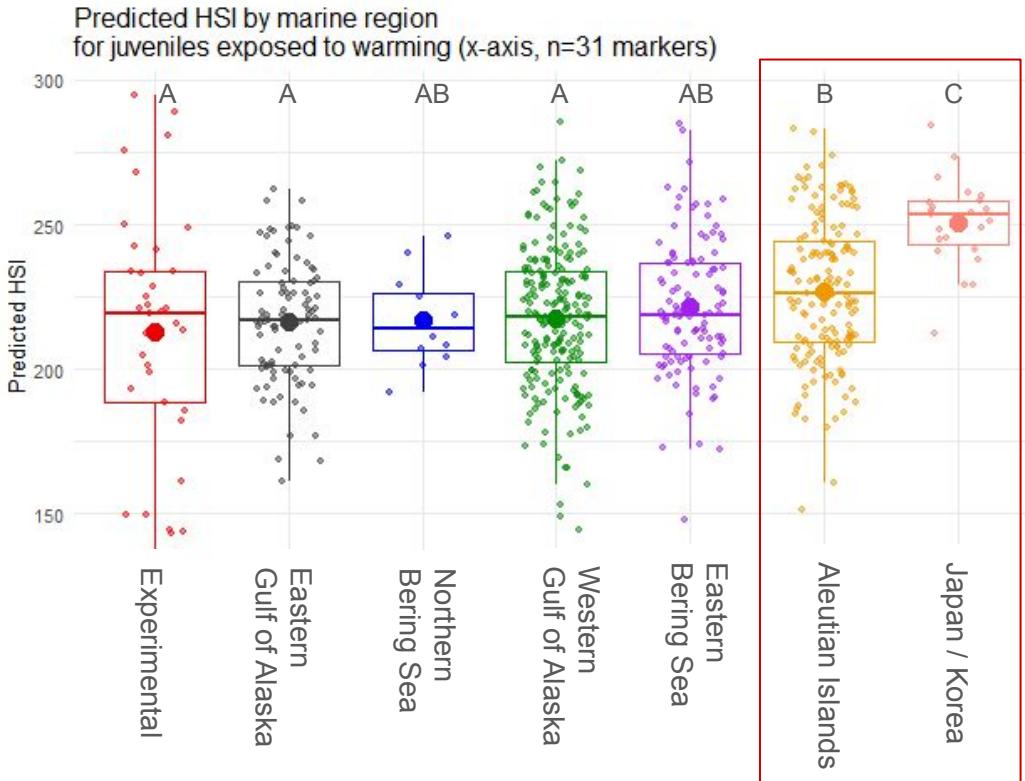
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Predicted HSI by marine region
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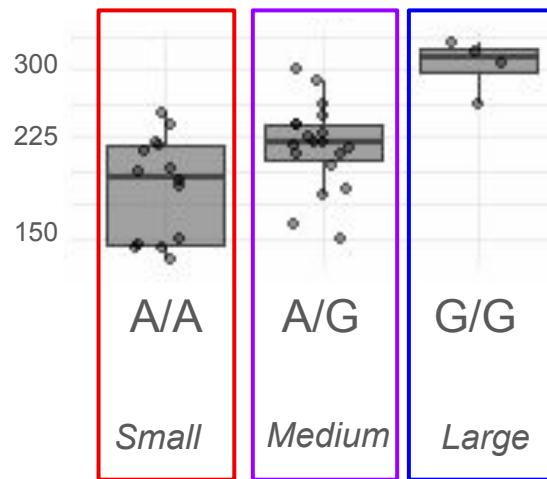


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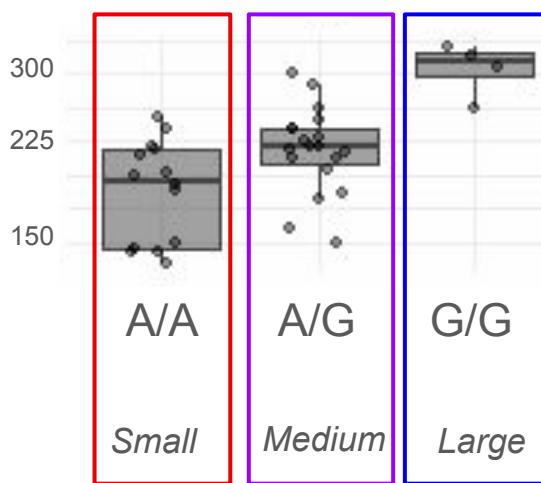
Warm-exposed fish



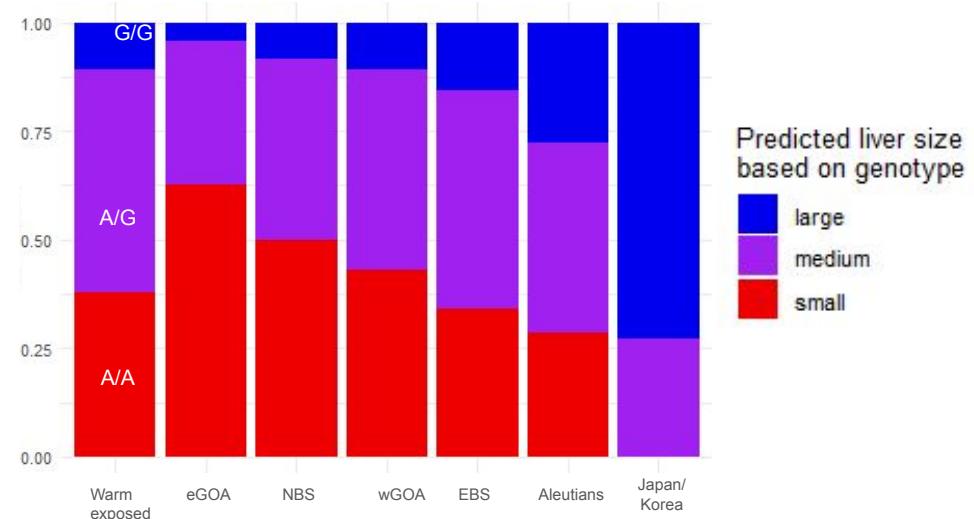
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Predicted liver size based on
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Reference fish & warm-exposed fish





Broad Conclusions (preliminary)

- **Low recruitment in GoA during heatwaves** is likely related to **high larval mortality** and **low juvenile overwintering survival**, both related to *lipid metabolism, inflammation, and cell adhesion effects*.
- Stock assessments may need to **adjust reference points** in heat wave years
- **Genetic variability related to adaptive traits** may enable selection for juveniles **more capable of allocating lipid reserves, more resilient populations**
- Other Pacific cod groups could be screened for **putative markers of performance**
 - Through time – before/during/after heat waves (future project!) - is selection happening?
 - Distinct Pacific cod groups – are some groups more resilient than others?
 - Juveniles using different nursery habitat (onshore vs. offshore, Laurel study)



Applications of genomic resources in fisheries management

Building Genomics Database – Sequence data + metadata = opportunities for integration!

Sex identification – for sex data from fisheries or surveys, benchtop assay for experiments, surveys using DNA

Tagging studies – identify sex, population of origin, other markers (e.g. climate resilience) using fin clips

Ancient DNA studies – have genotypes at temperature-sensitive / performance markers changed through time?

Aging tools – “Epigenetic clock”, if developed, to estimate ages from DNA

Assay development – Expression data in lieu of more invasive / costly measurements (e.g. lipid components)

eDNA – Collected during surveys to estimate species presence, quantify relative abundance



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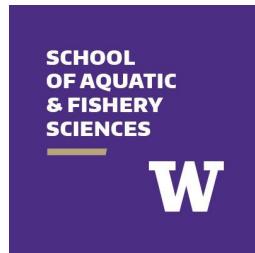
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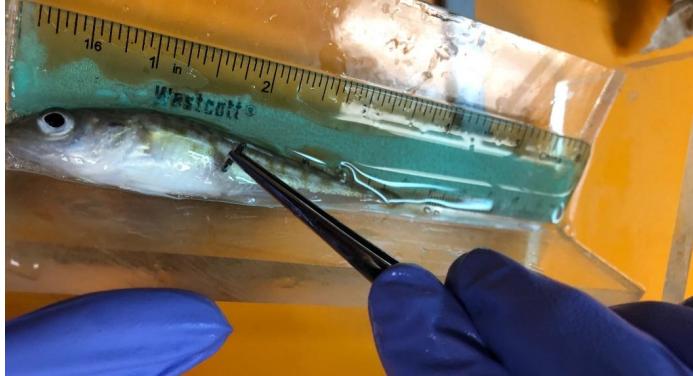
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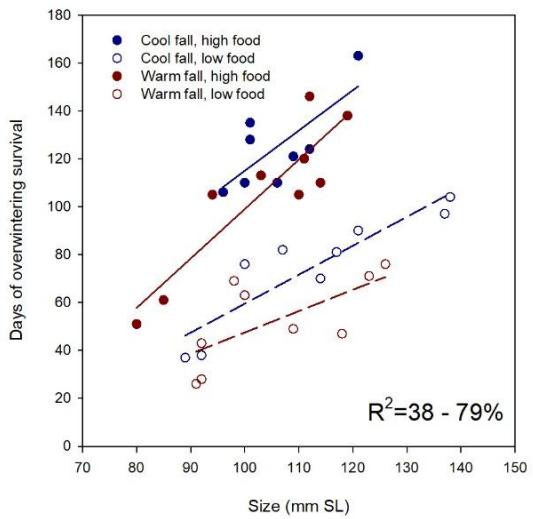


Questions?

Extra slides



Juvenile cod overwintering survival depends on size, lipid reserves, and both are temperature-dependent

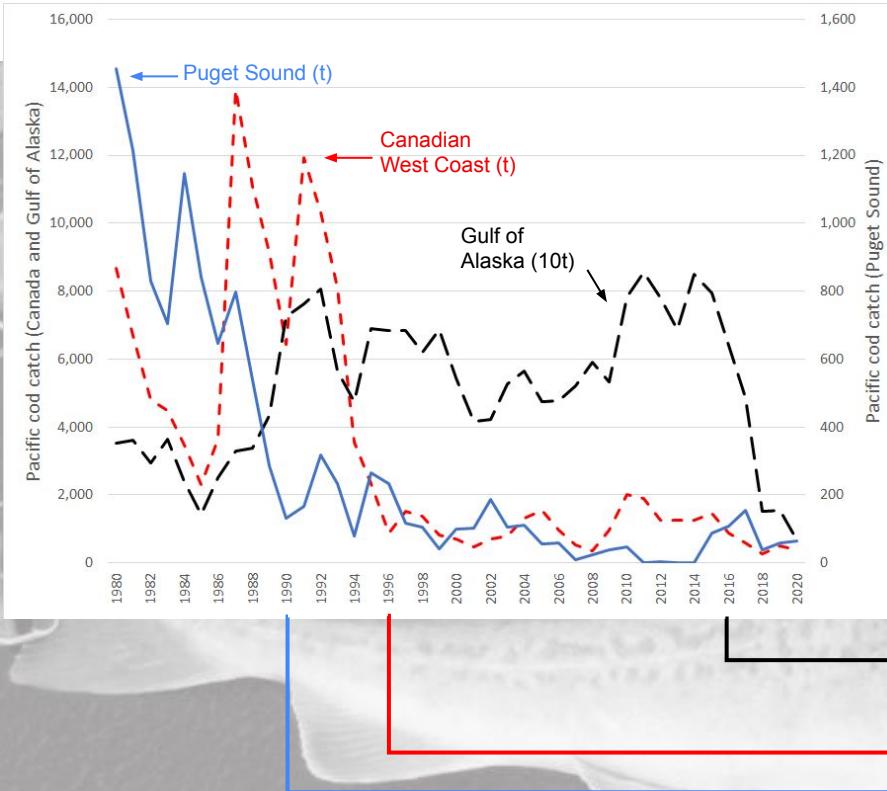


Overwintering survival is higher after cooler autumns

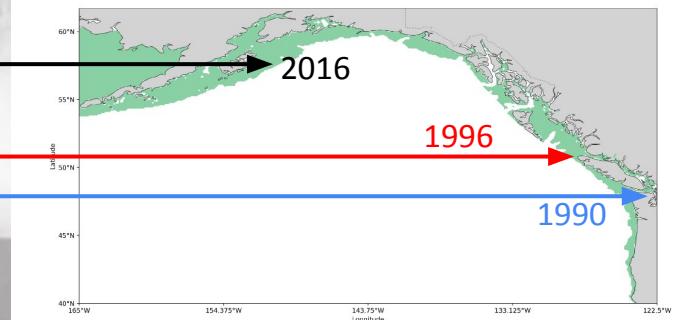
Laurel et al., in review at CJFAS



A latitudinal progression of population decline...

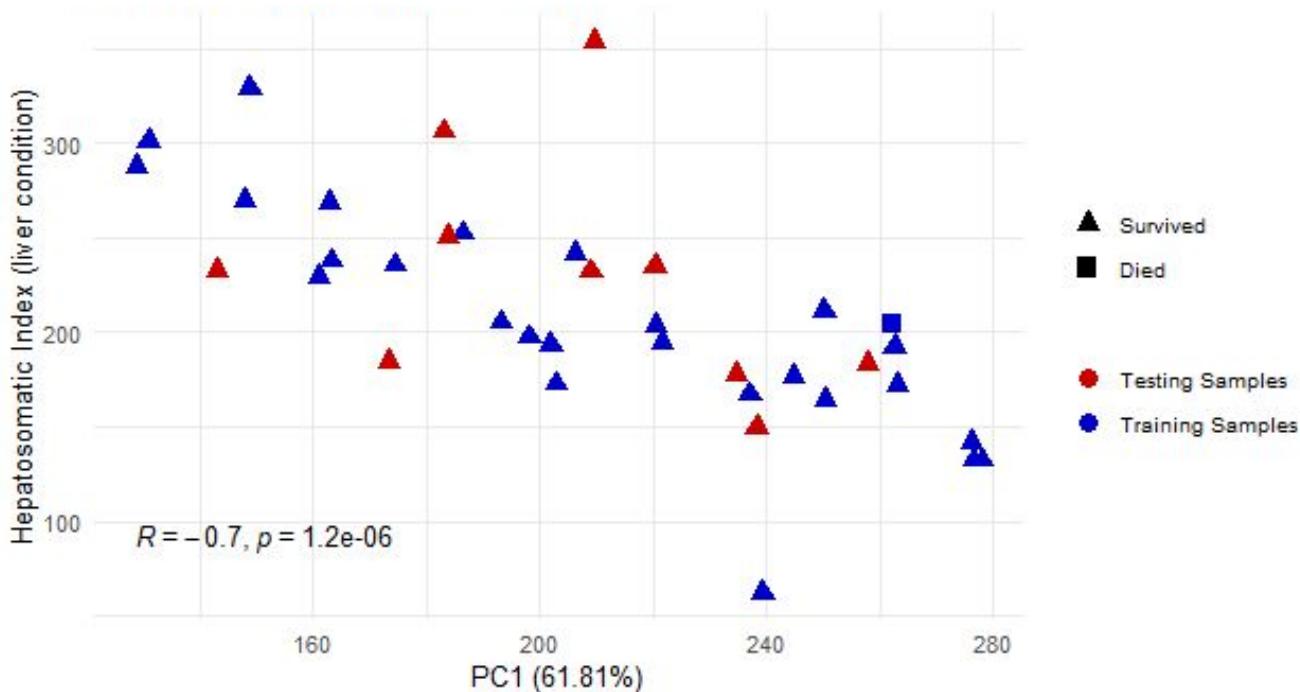


Low Pacific cod recruitment and biomass estimates in Gulf of Alaska coincided/followed the 2014-16 marine heatwaves, prompting review of 1st year of life biology and temperature response experiments

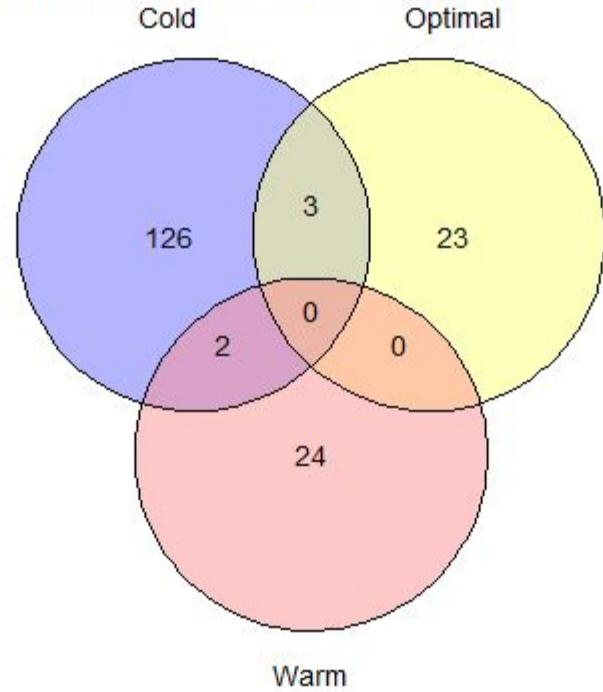


Exploratory analysis: predicting liver size

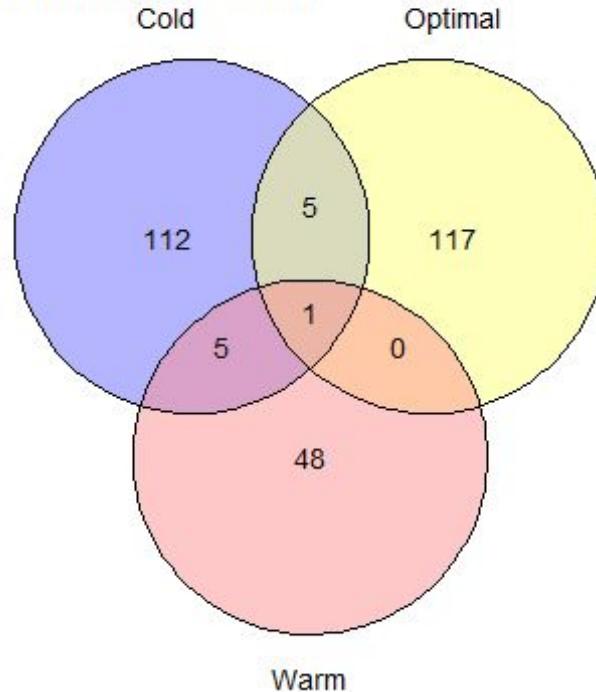
PCA from genotype probabilities @ 32 top liver size markers, warm fish only



Genes with putative performance markers
Hepatosomatic Index (liver condition)

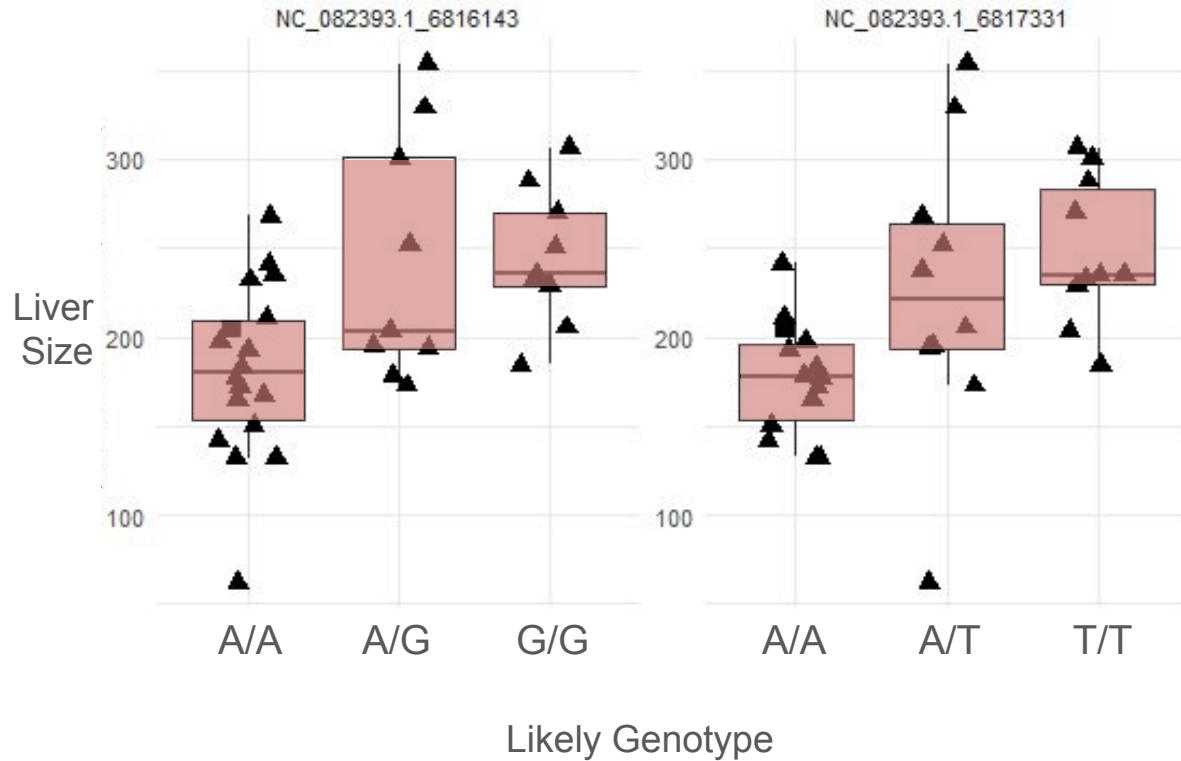


Genes with putative performance markers
Growth rate (wet weight)





~100 markers putatively associated with liver size in Pacific cod juveniles exposed to warming



*One markers in a
gene coding for a
calcium channel
involved in calcium
homeostasis,
metabolic regulation*