

Inverts

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Why Invertebrate Analysis?

How does invert composition change over time?

Does eelgrass support more species? Role in ecosystem?

Potentially aids in understanding salmon gut content



Methods

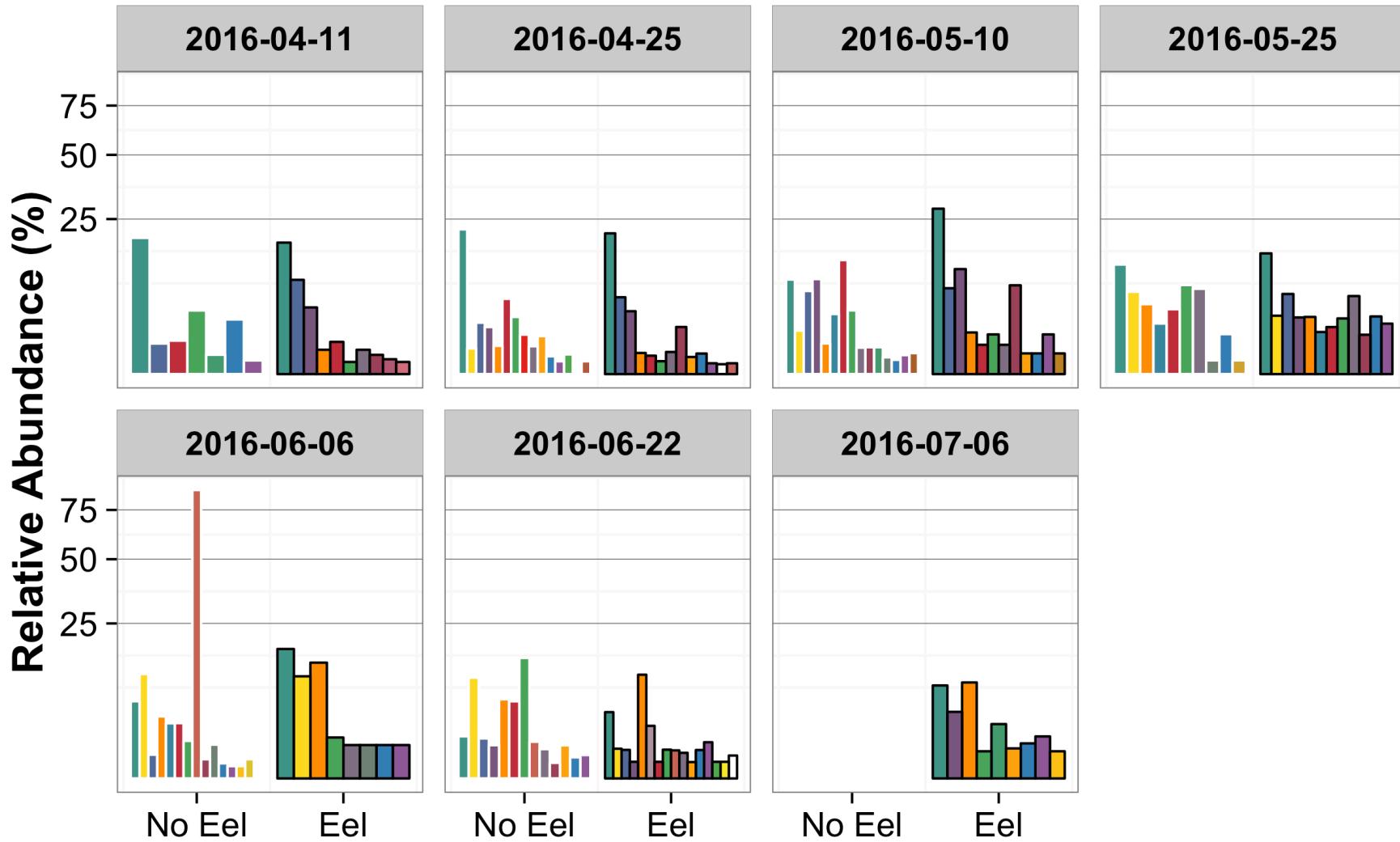
Size fractioned samples (4mm, 1-4 mm, <1 mm)

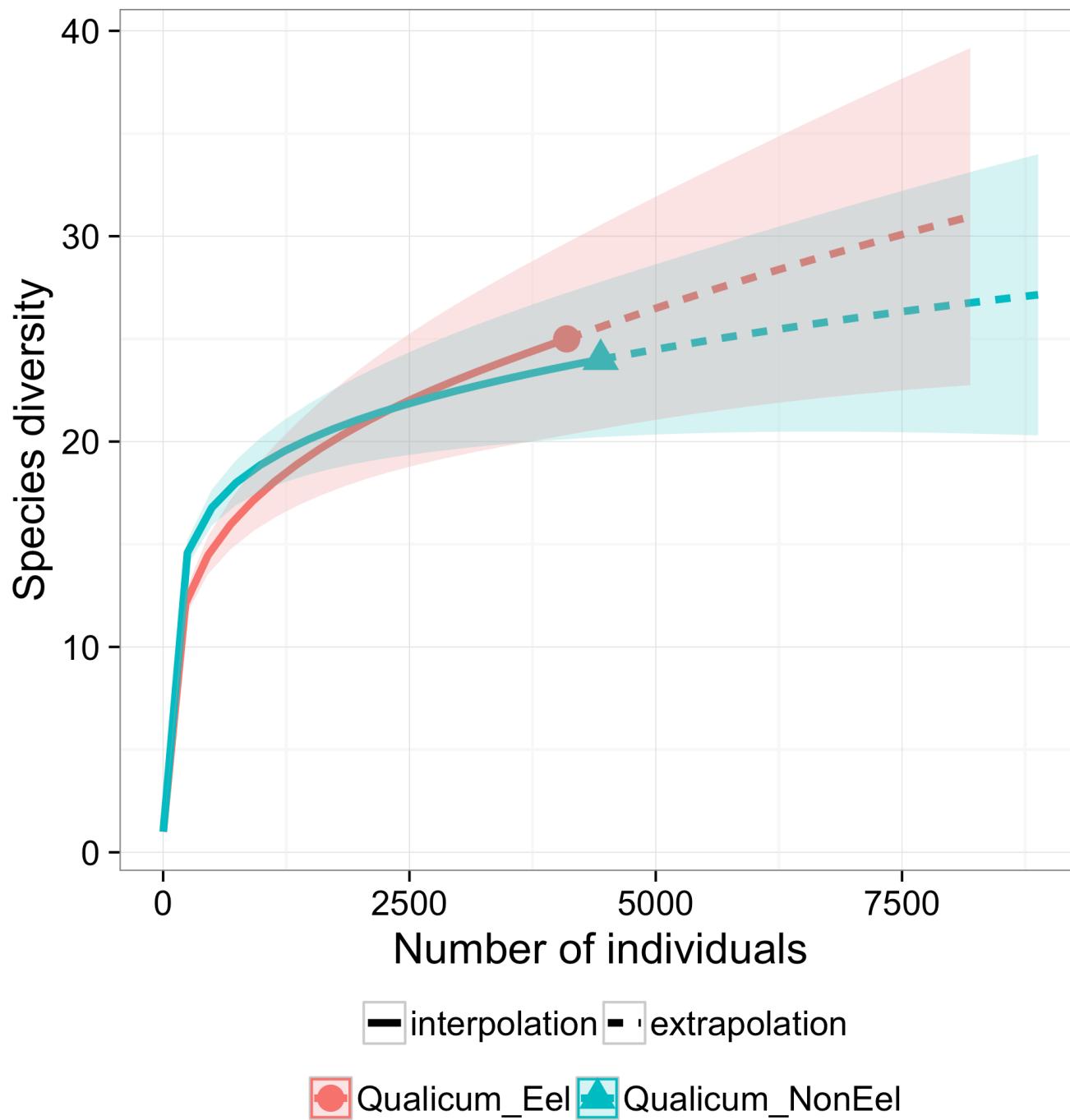
ID with certainty to lowest taxonomic level

Count and ID 300 individuals per sample when possible

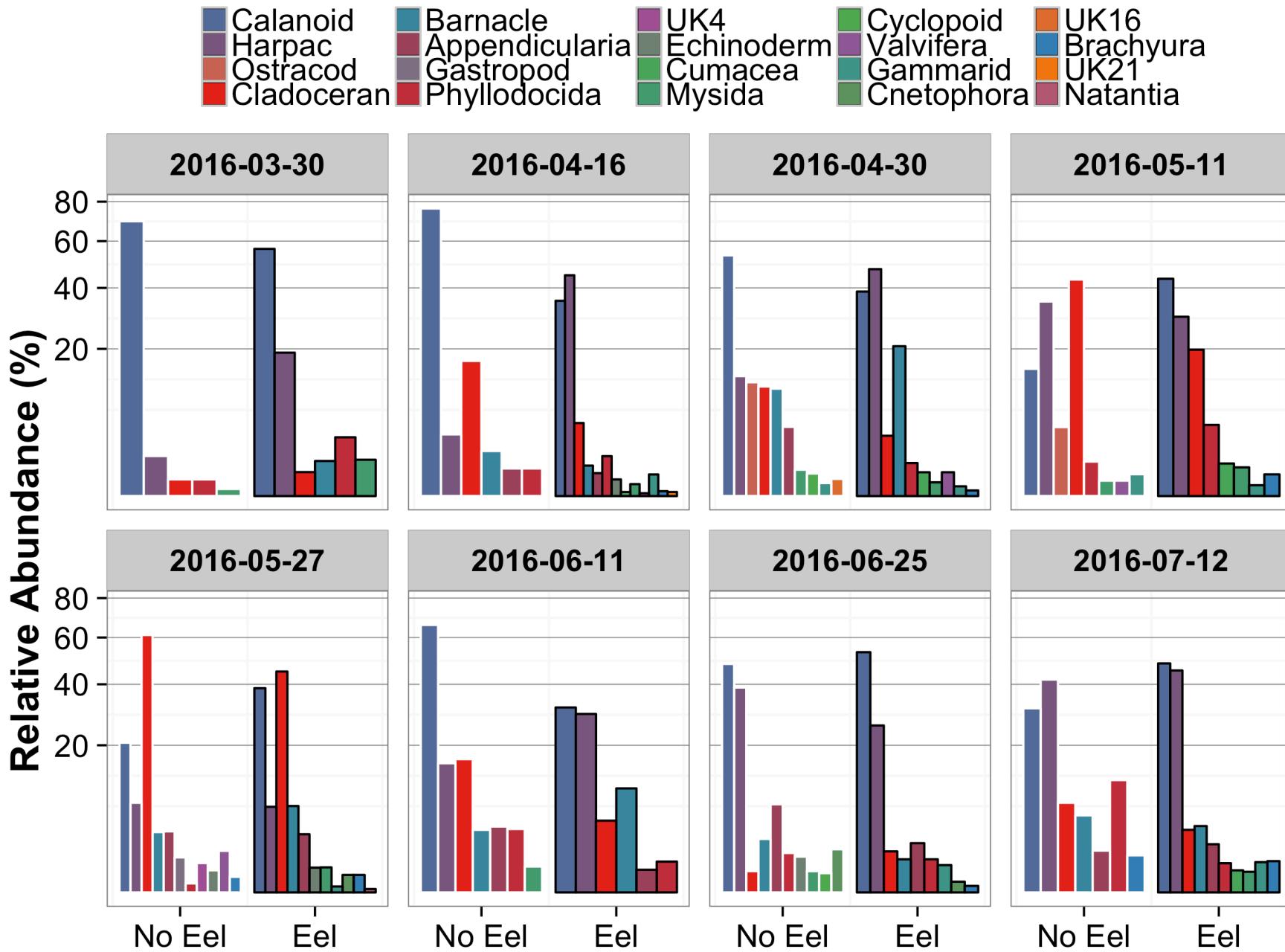
2 Replicates per Site

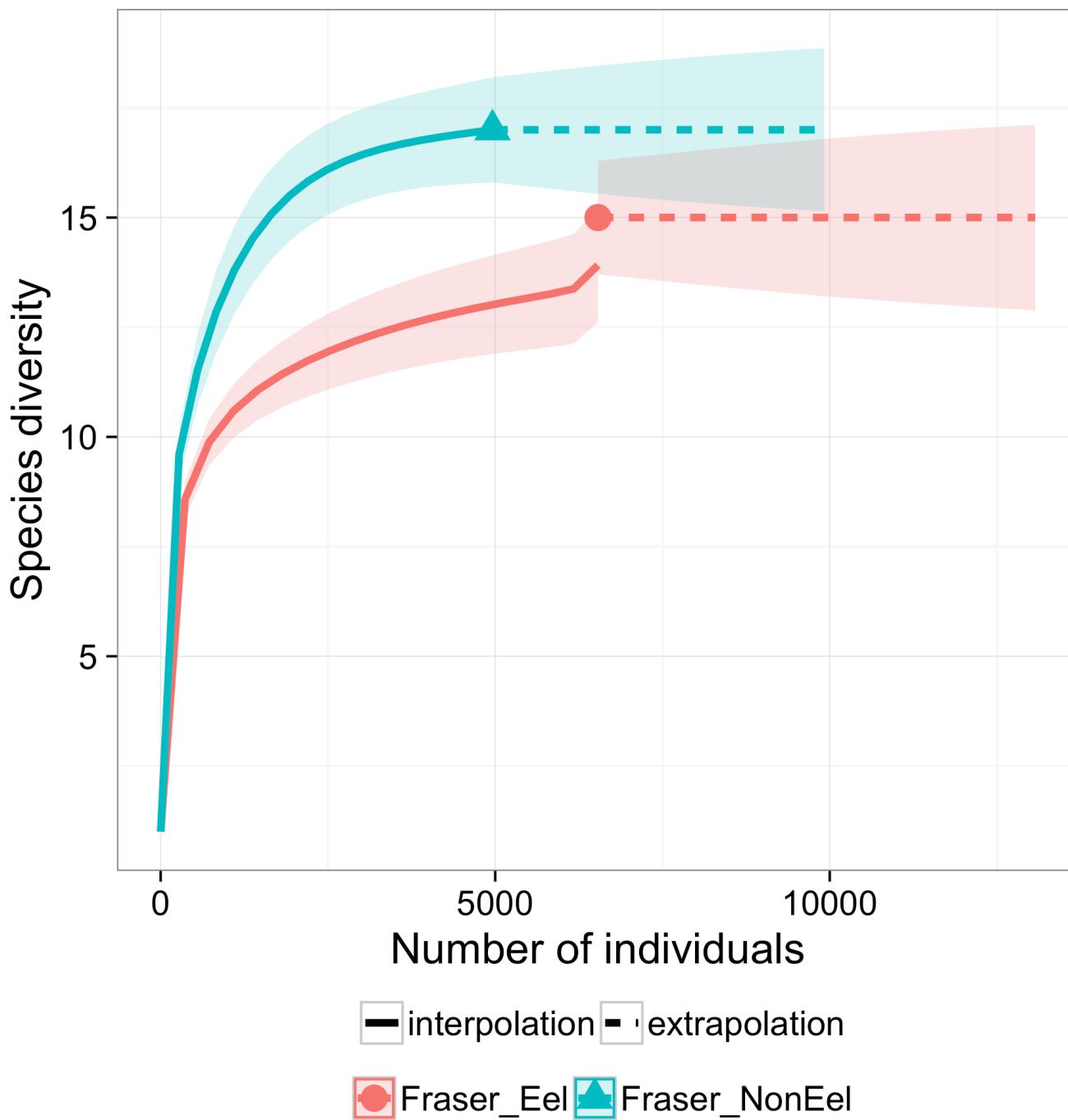
Qualicum



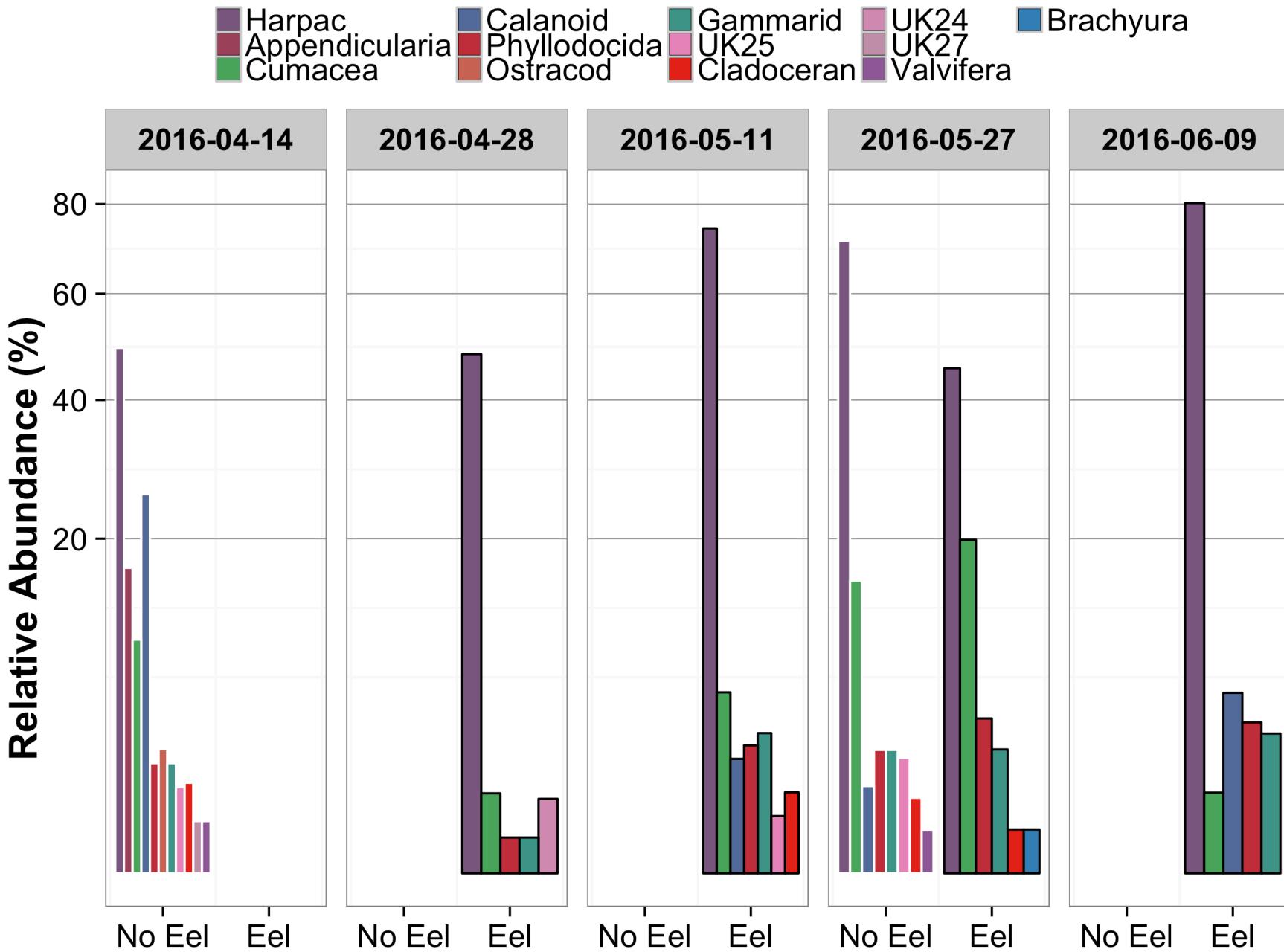


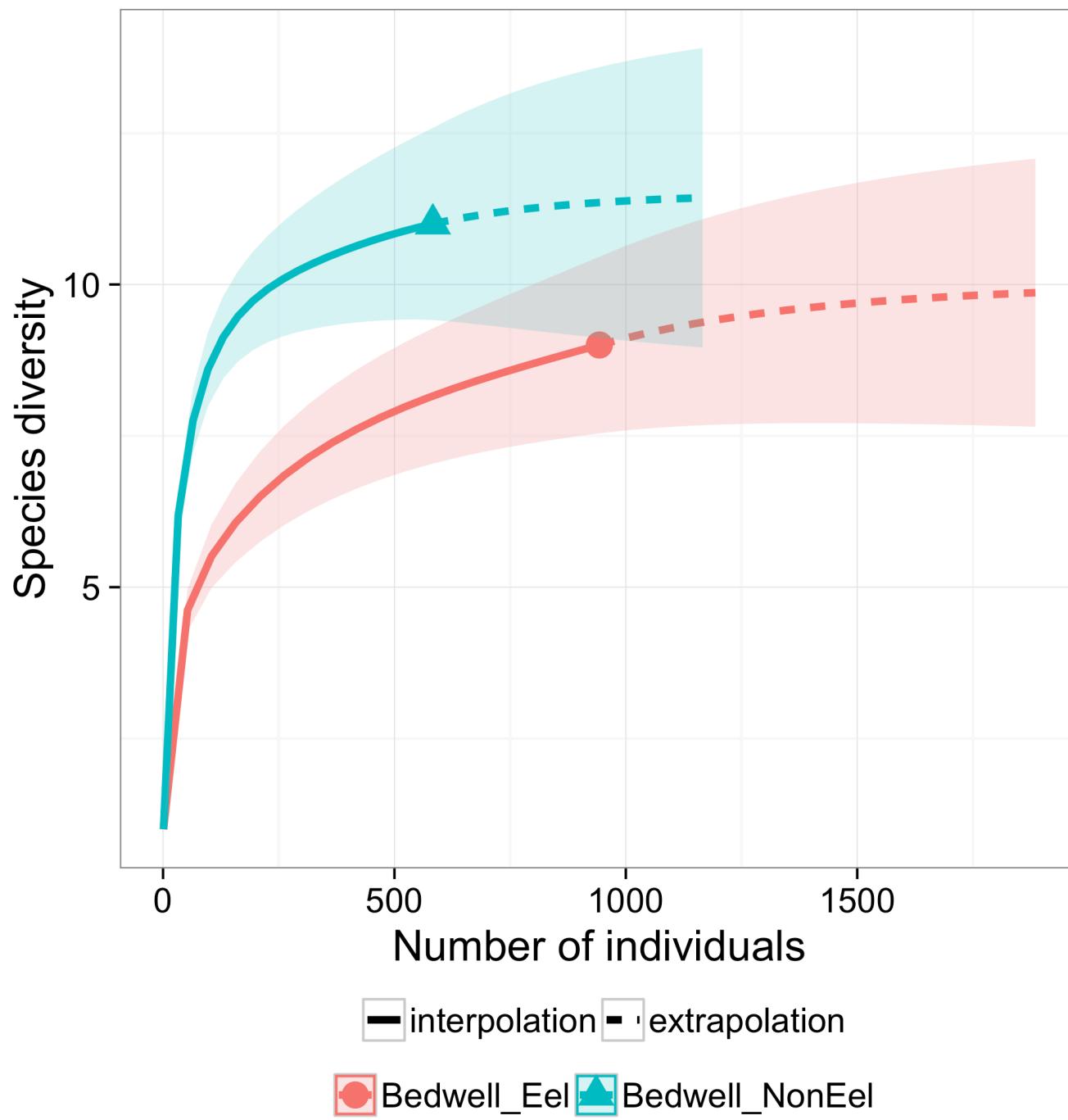
Fraser



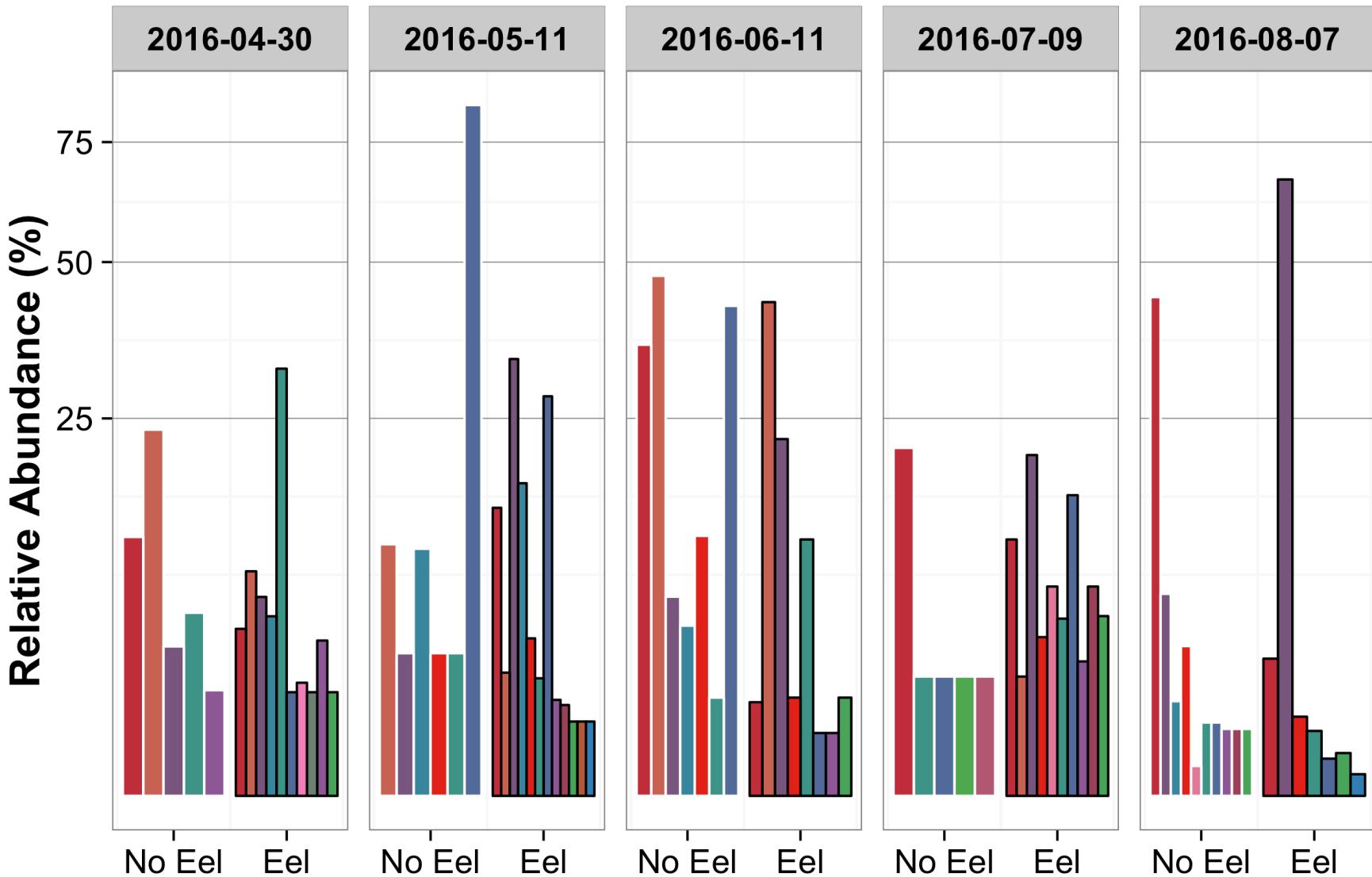


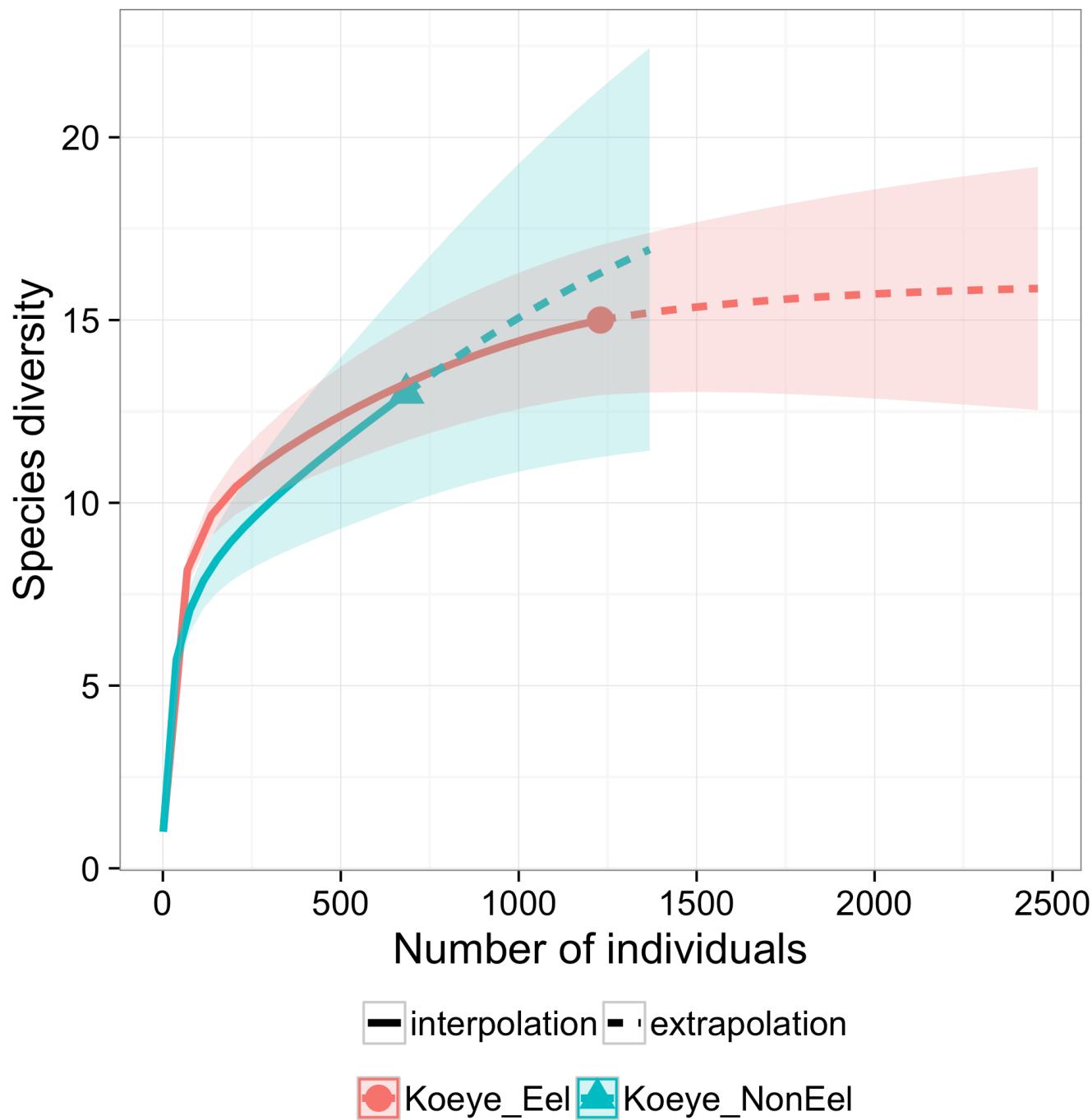
Bedwell



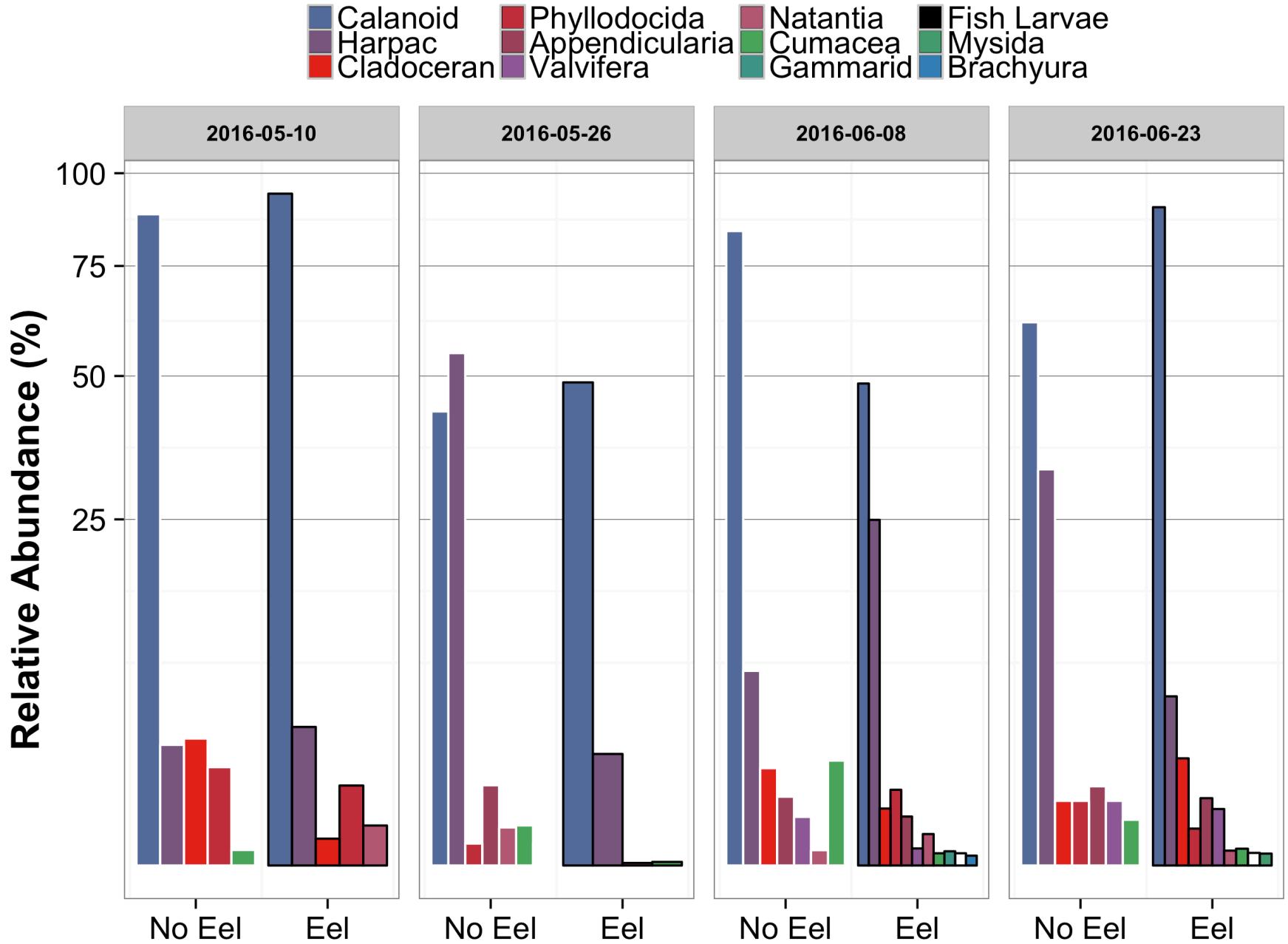


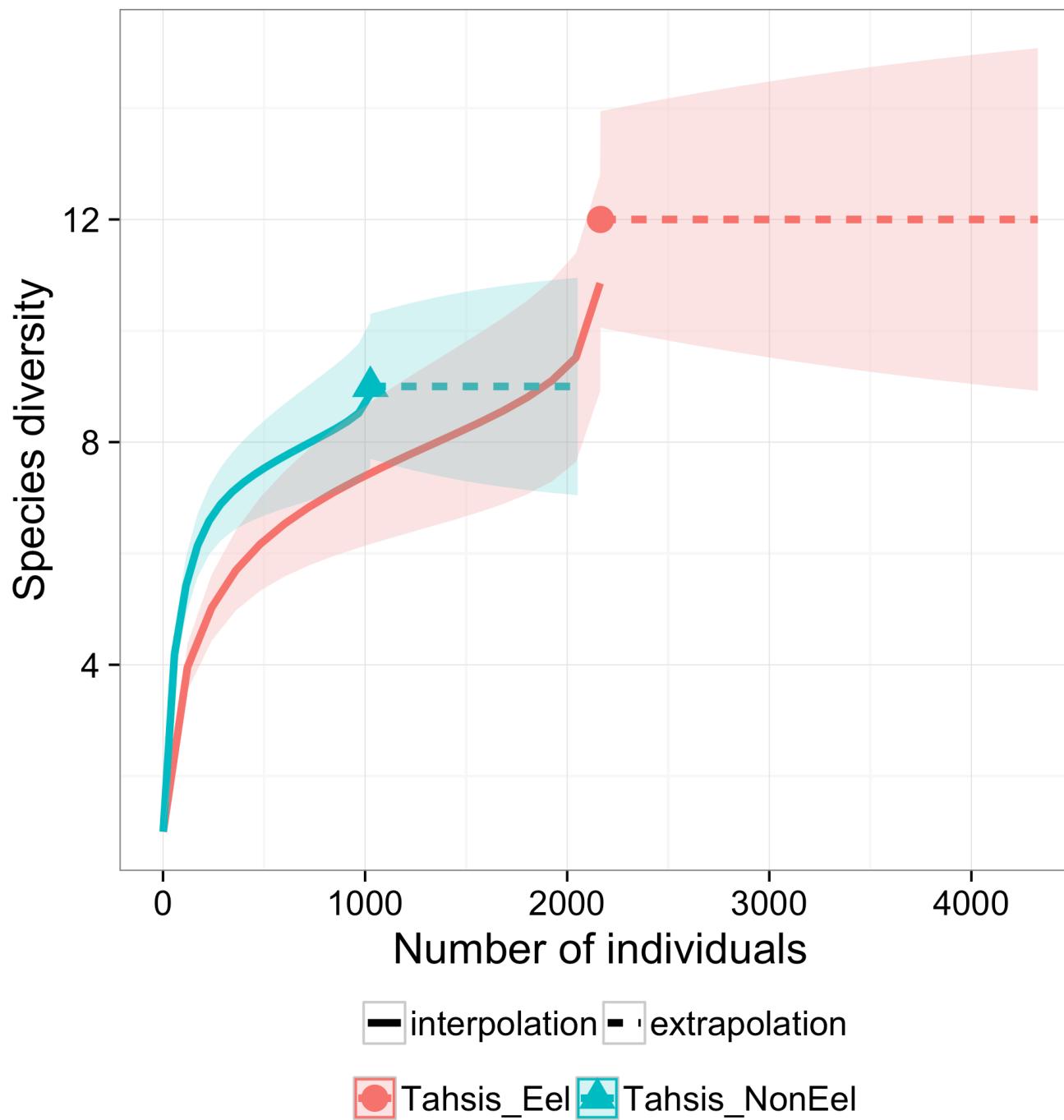
Koeye

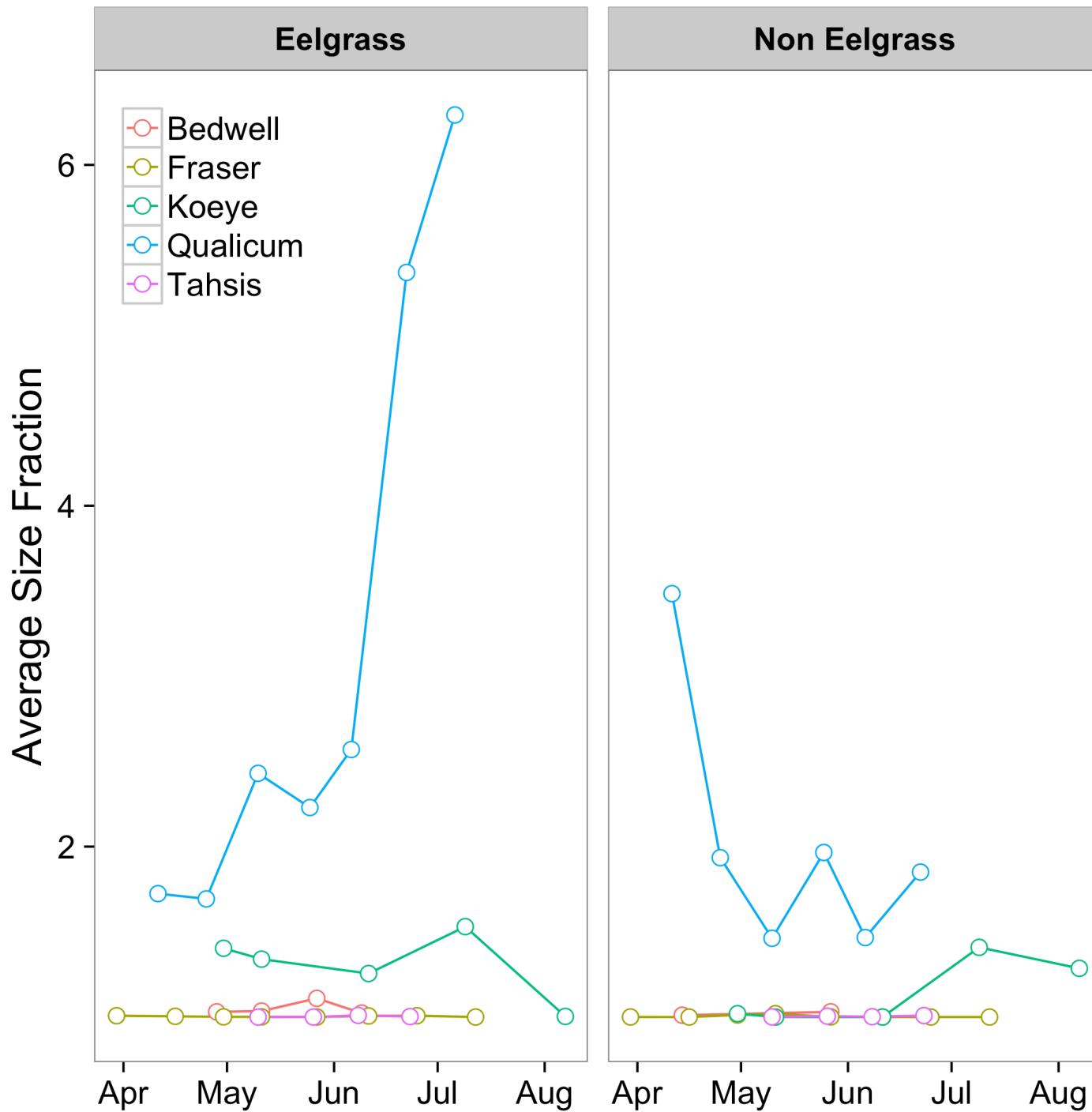




Tahsis







Summary

Site	Dominant Species	Richness*	Evenness*	Avg. Size (mm)	Shift w/ time	Eelgrass effect?
Qualicum	Gammarid?	1	1	>2	?	?
Fraser	Calanoid	2	3	~1	?	?
Bedwell	Harpacticoid	3	3	~1	?	?
Koeye	Phyllodocida	2	2	1-2	?	?
Tahsis	Calanoid	3	5	~1	?	?

Notes and Future Directions

Are species richness/evenness actually low?

Details/Time Spent Trade-Off

NMDS

Replicates available for further evaluation

More statistical tests to determine relationships

Use Pet Jars, more Ethanol, consistent labelling

Resources Used

Al Lewis Key to Harpacticoids associated with Eelgrass in Lower Mainland

Light and Smith Manual

Amphipacifica

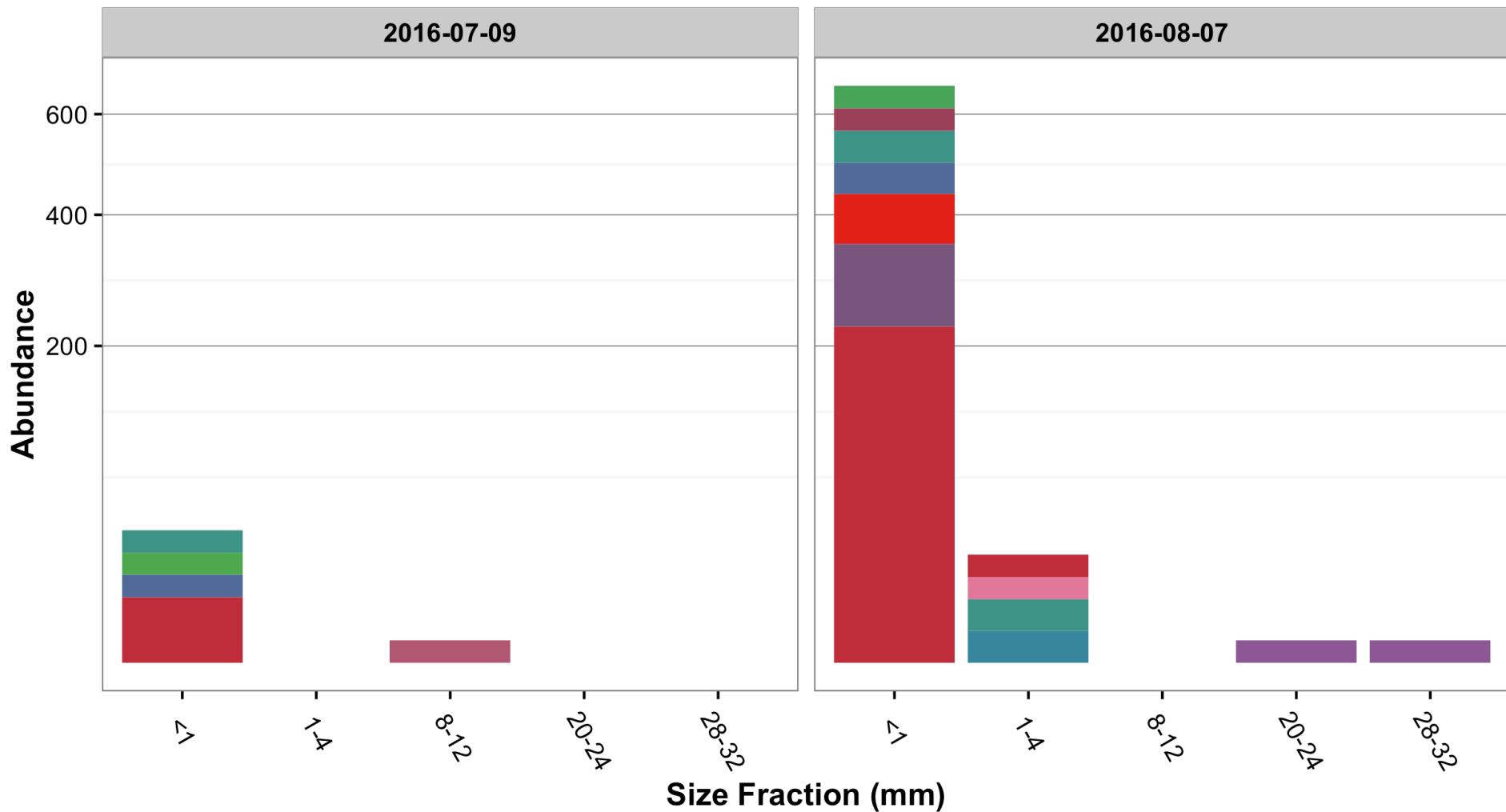
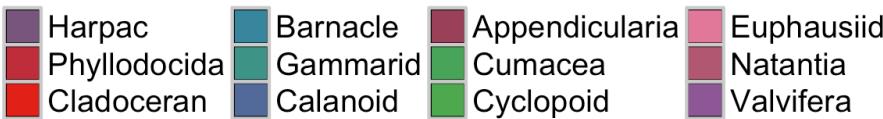
Nicole Knight Guide to Fauna Associated with Eelgrass (O'Connor Lab)

<http://projectzosteraubc.weebly.com/invertebrate-identification-key.html>

Mysids and Euphausids of the Pacific

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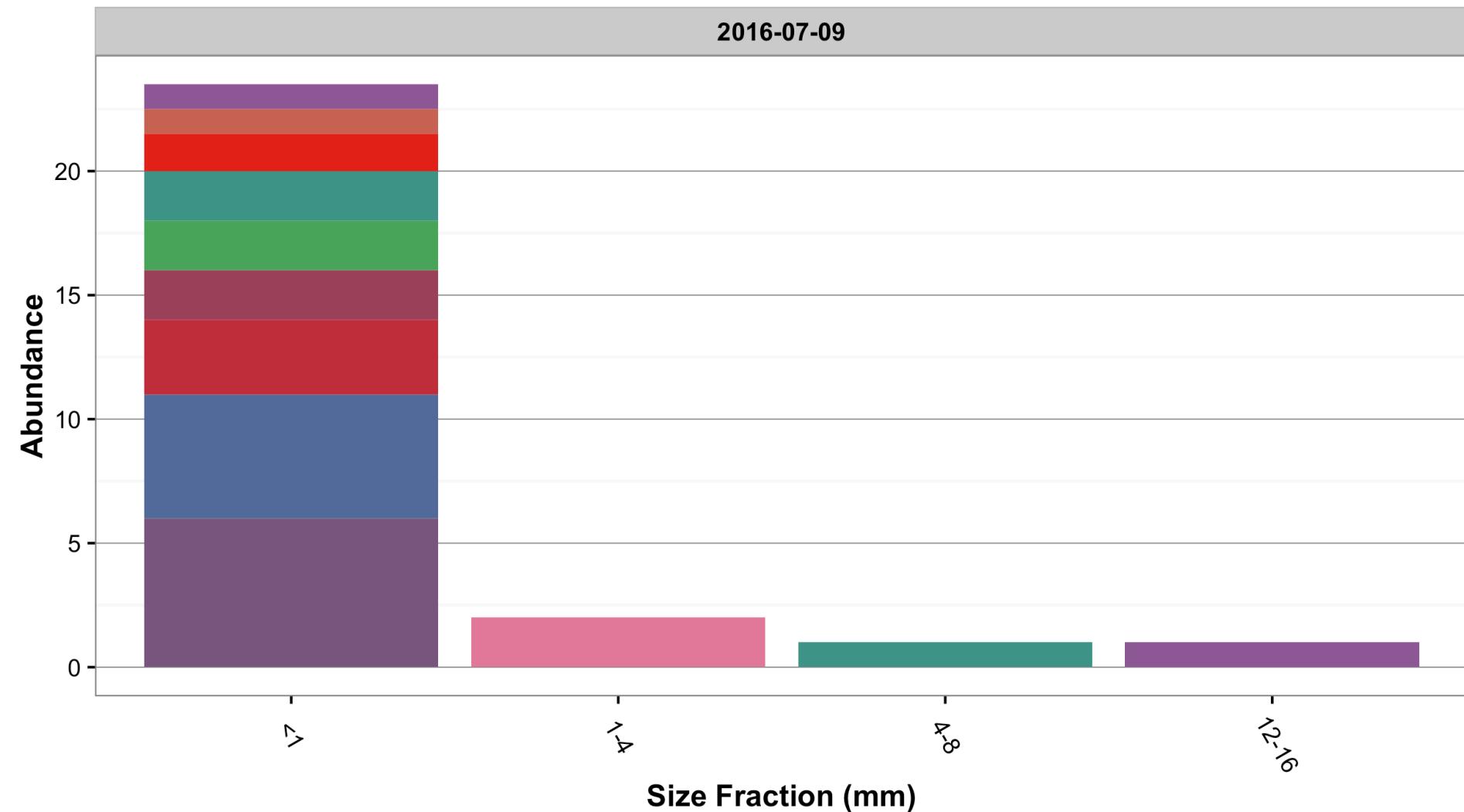
Koeye Salmon No Eelgrass



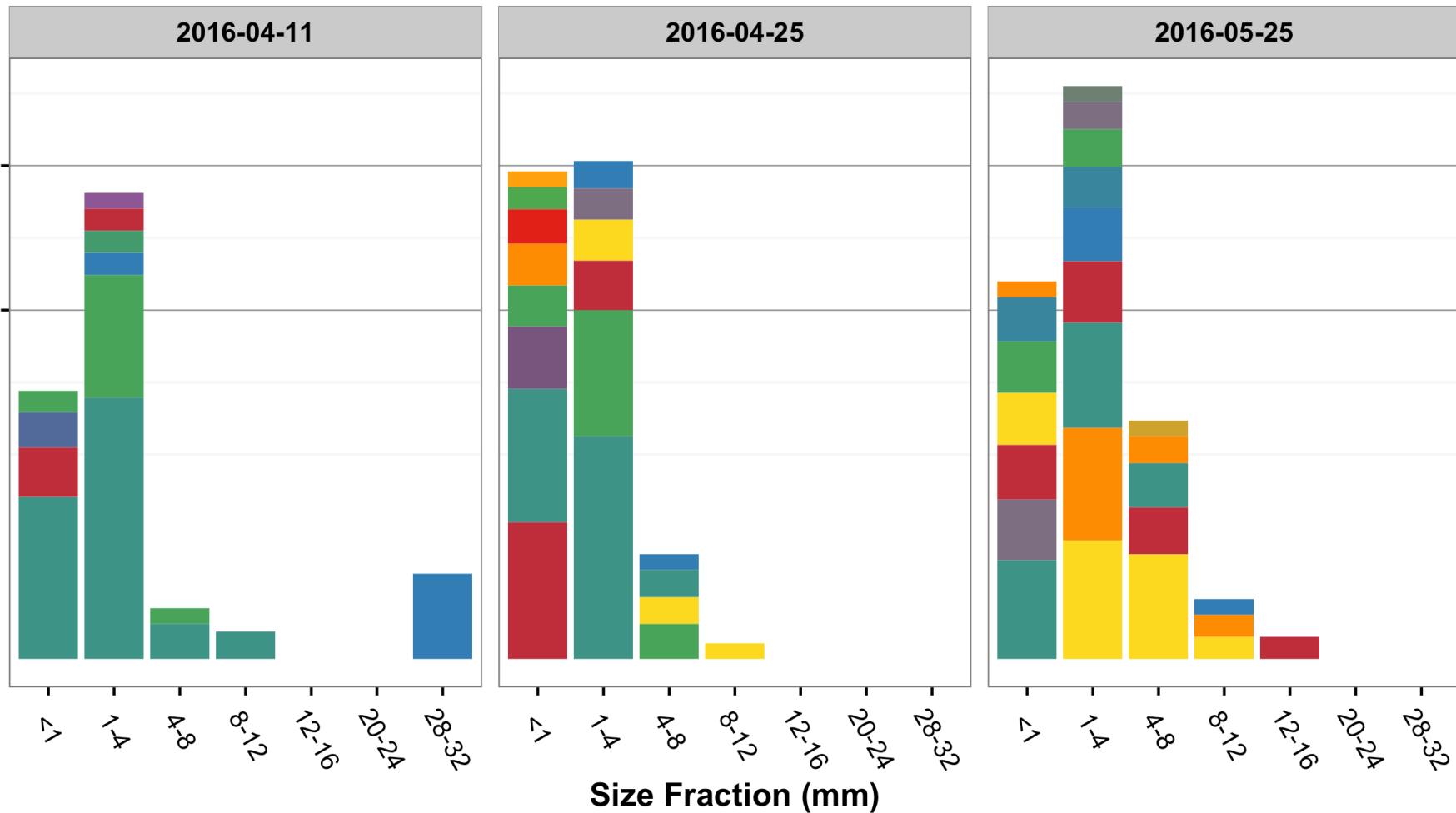
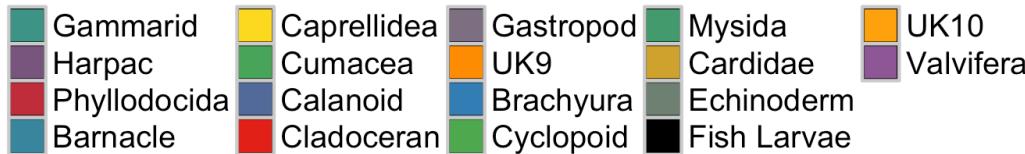
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Harpac Phyllodocida Cumacea Cladoceran Ostracod
Calanoid Appendicularia Euphausiid Gammarid Valvifera

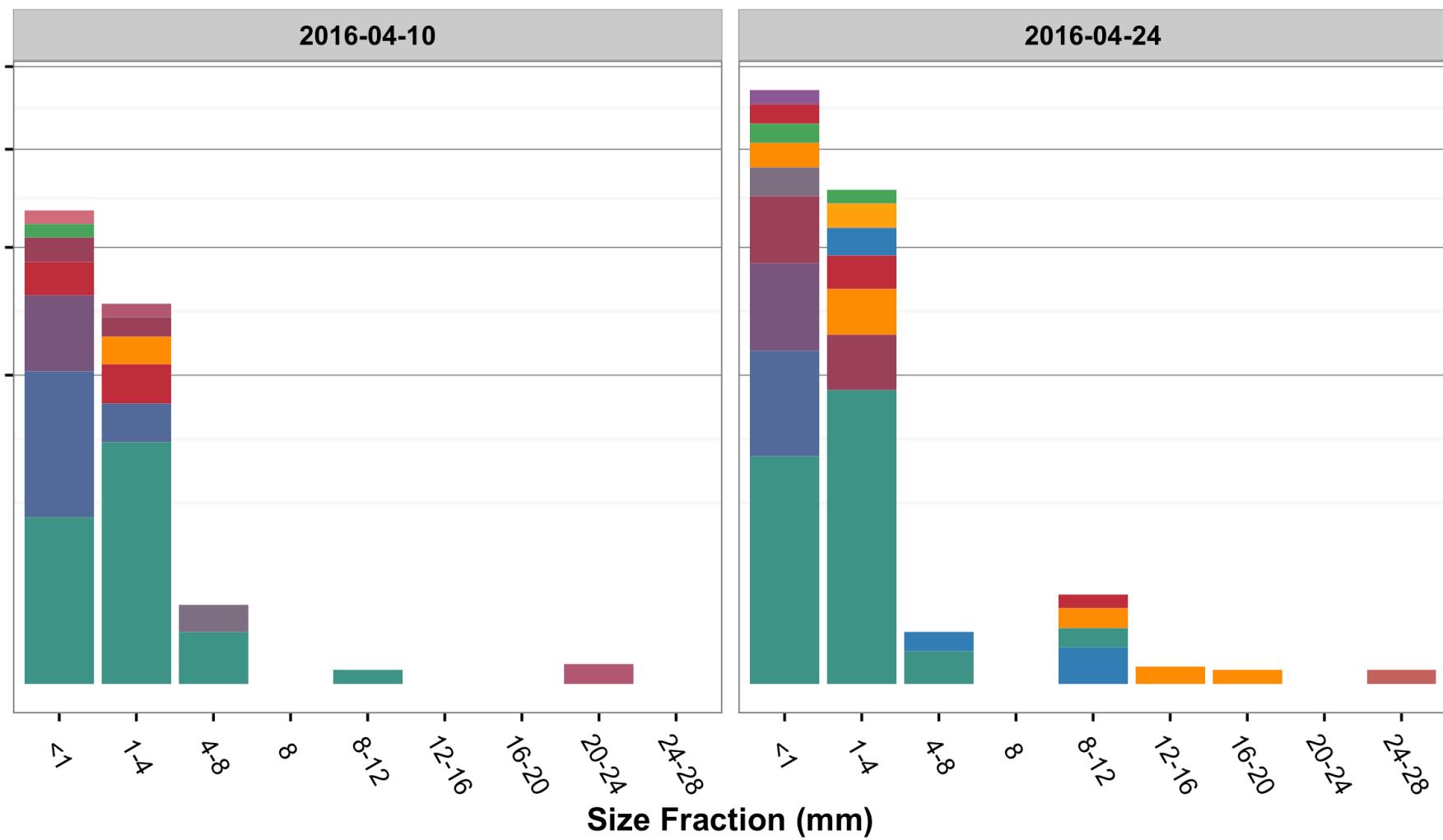
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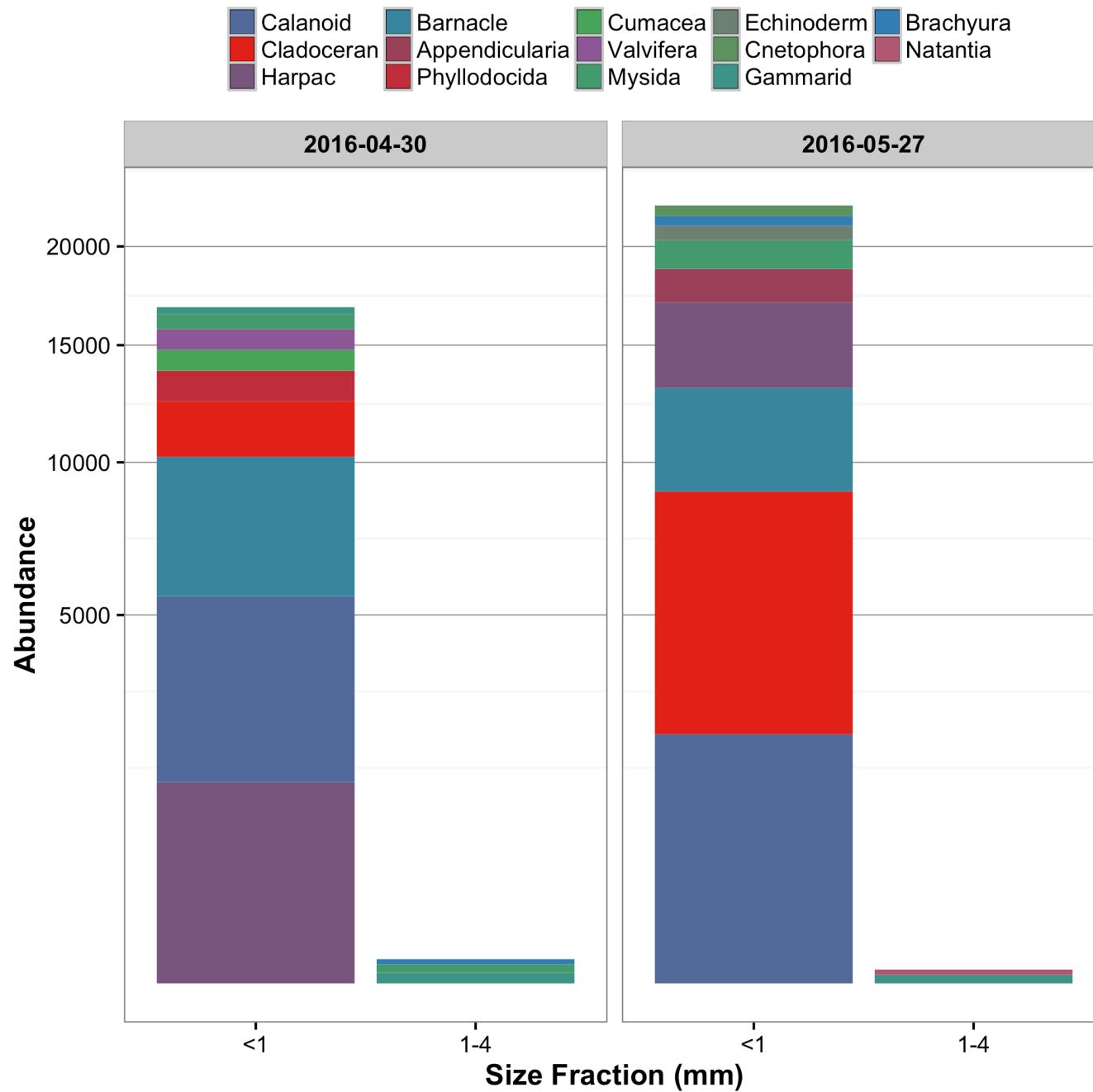
Qualicum Salmon No Eelgrass



Qualicum Salmon Eelgrass



Fraser Salmon Eelgrass



Fraser Salmon No Eelgrass

