

Calanus species in the Arctic
Mediterranean: from life history to
ecosystem dynamics

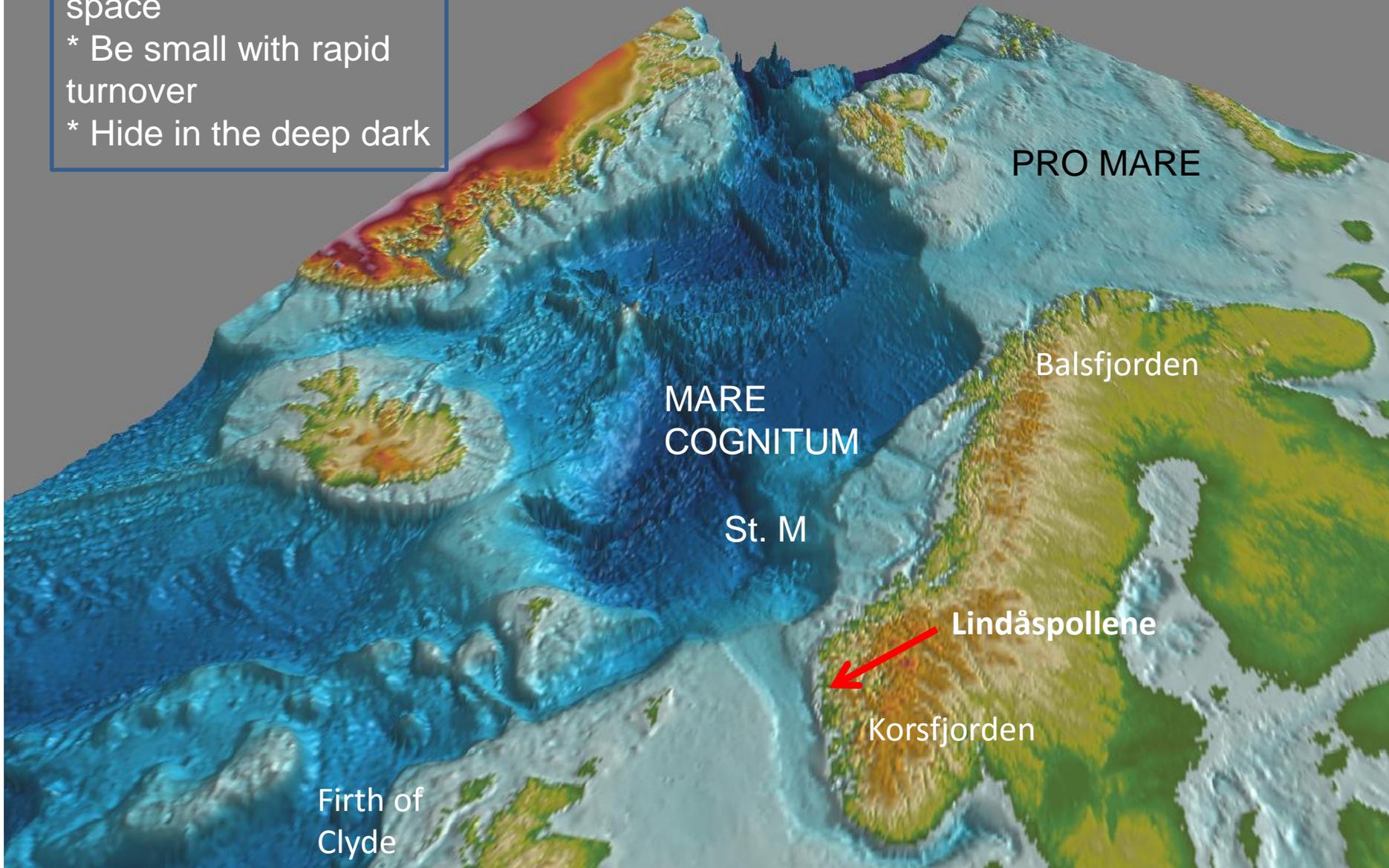
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Outline

- Preludium – looking back
- Main part
 - Three *Calanus* species – *finmarchicus*, *glacialis*, *hyperboreus*- Life history features
 - Habitat characteristics – Nordic Seas and Arctic Ocean
 - Ecosystem dynamics – Barents Sea and Norwegian Sea LMEs
- Epilogue – some concluding remarks

Life in pelagial – open space
* Be small with rapid turnover
* Hide in the deep dark



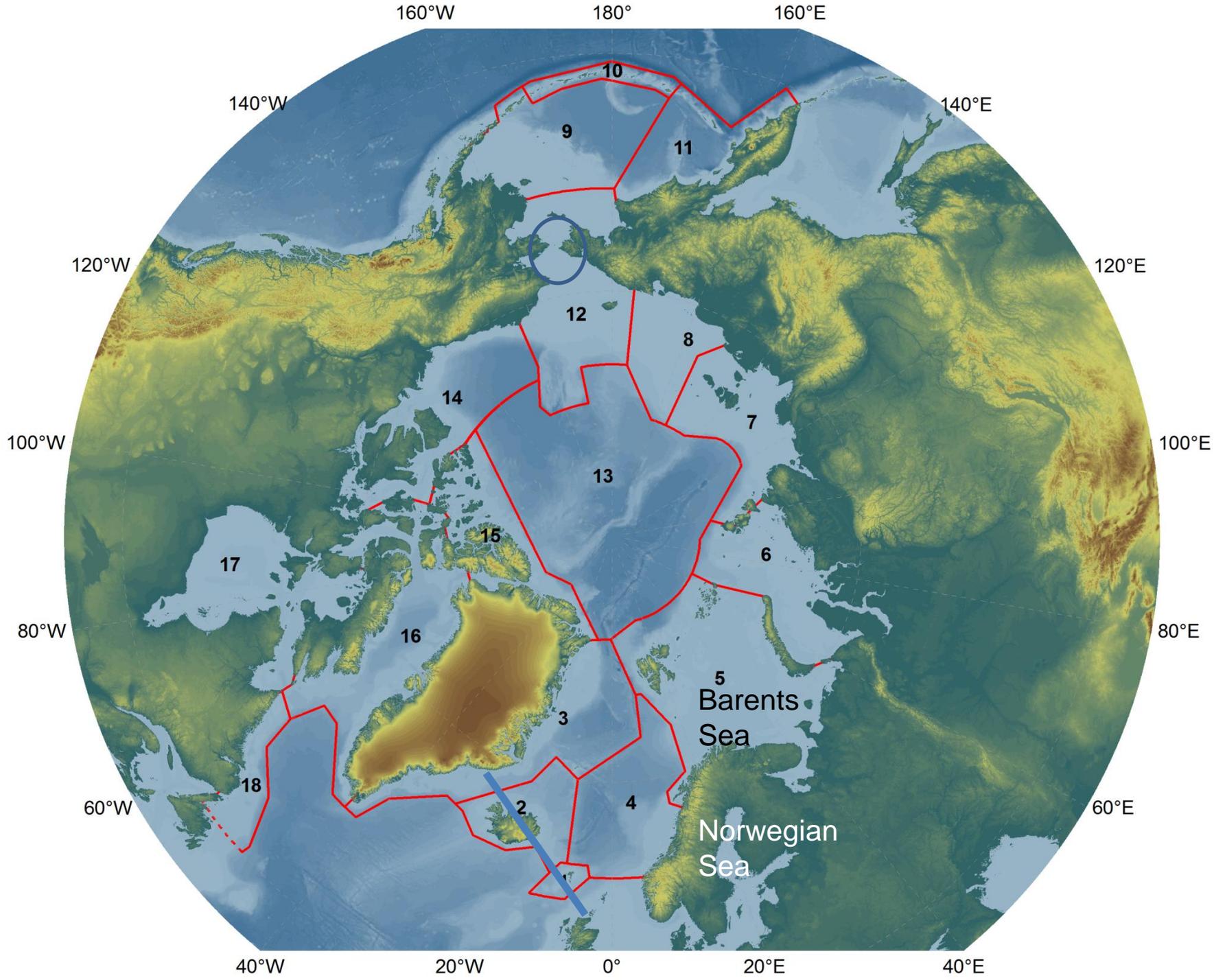
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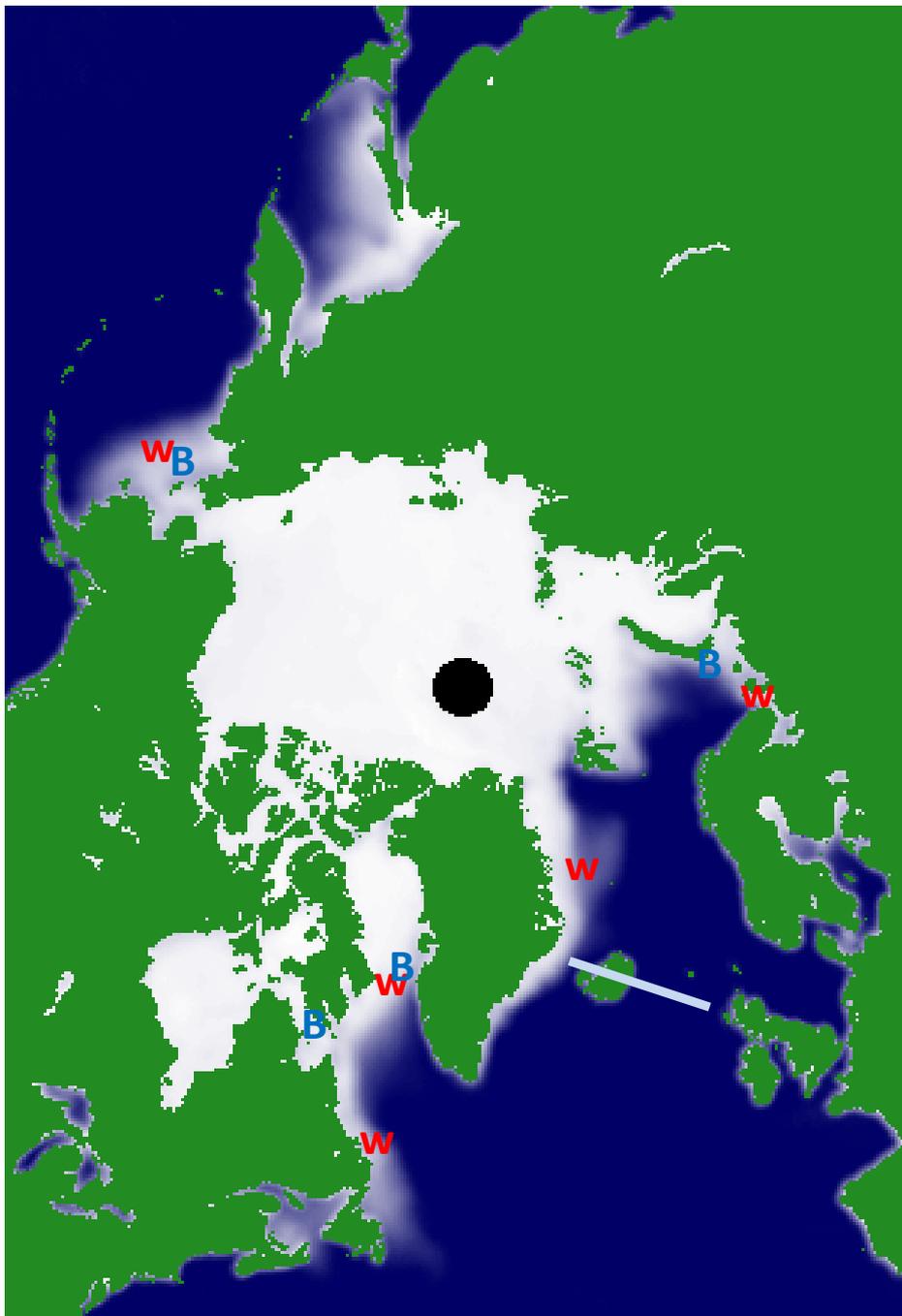
The Norwegian Sea Ecosystem



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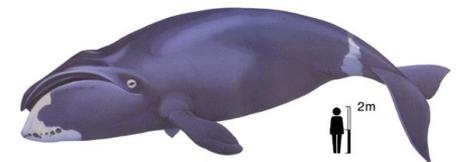


W - Whelping
area seals



Harp Seal *Phoca groenlandica* 1.6-1.7 m

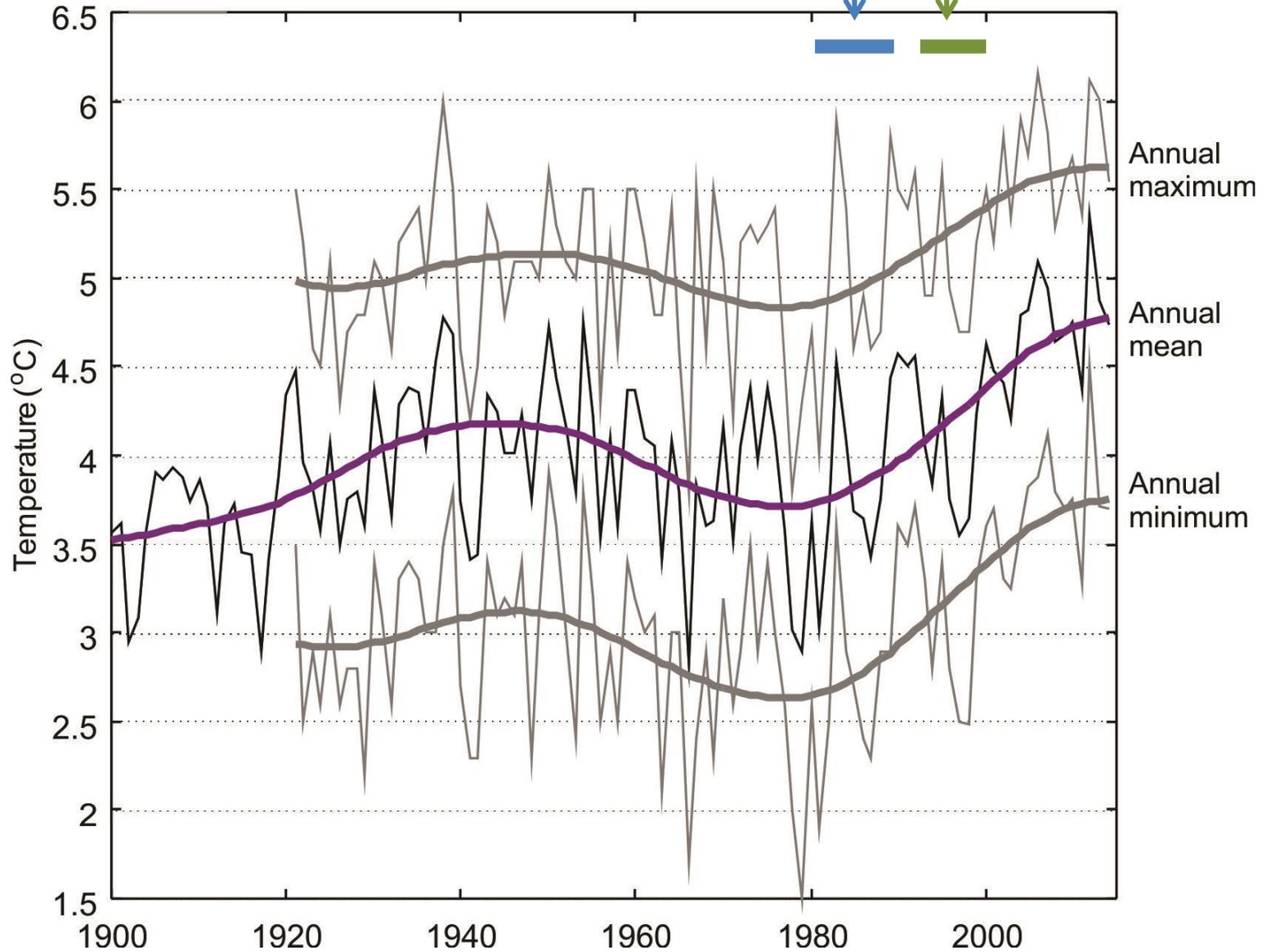
B – Wintering
area Bowhead
and/or beluga

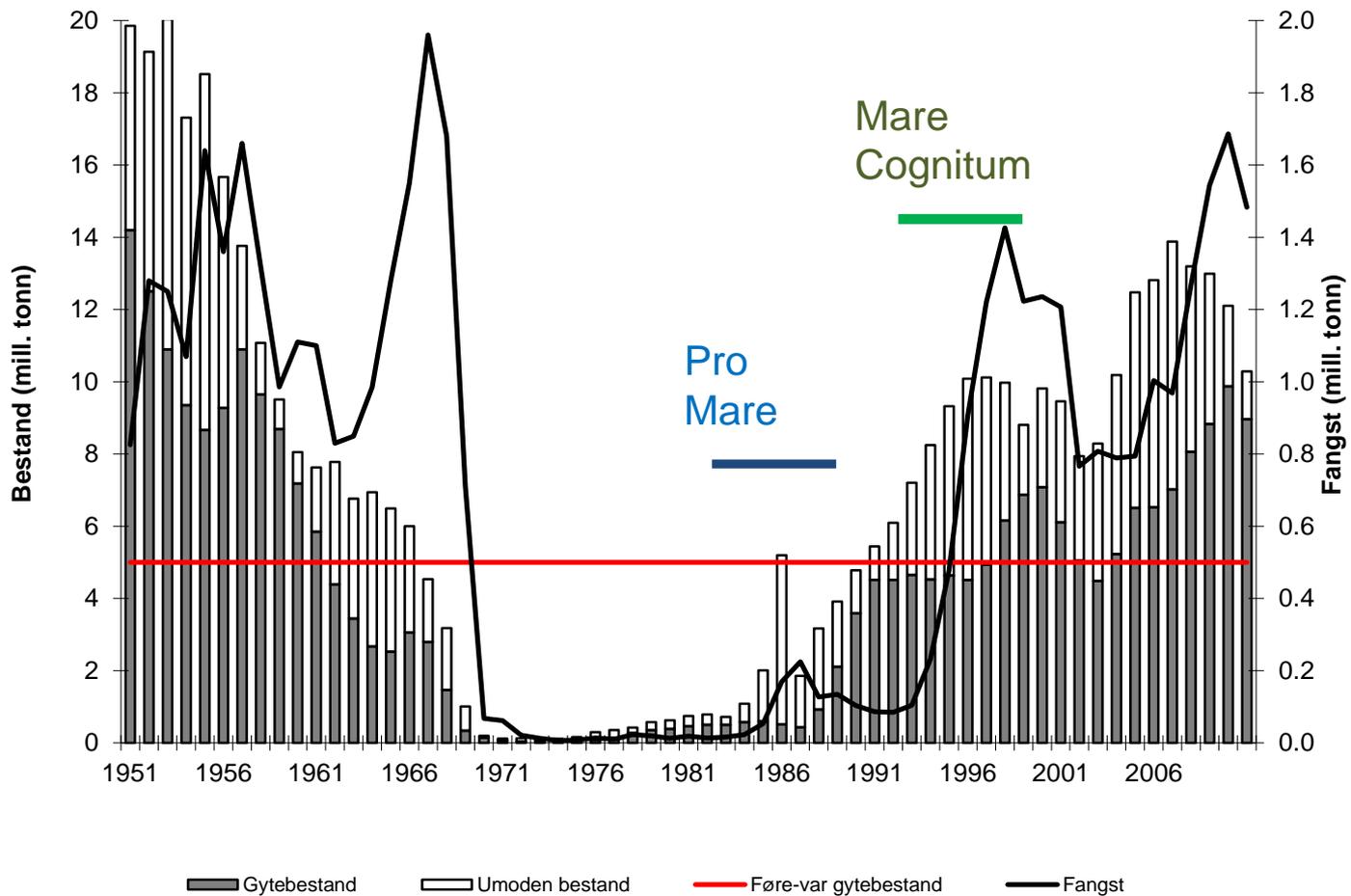


Temperature Kola section

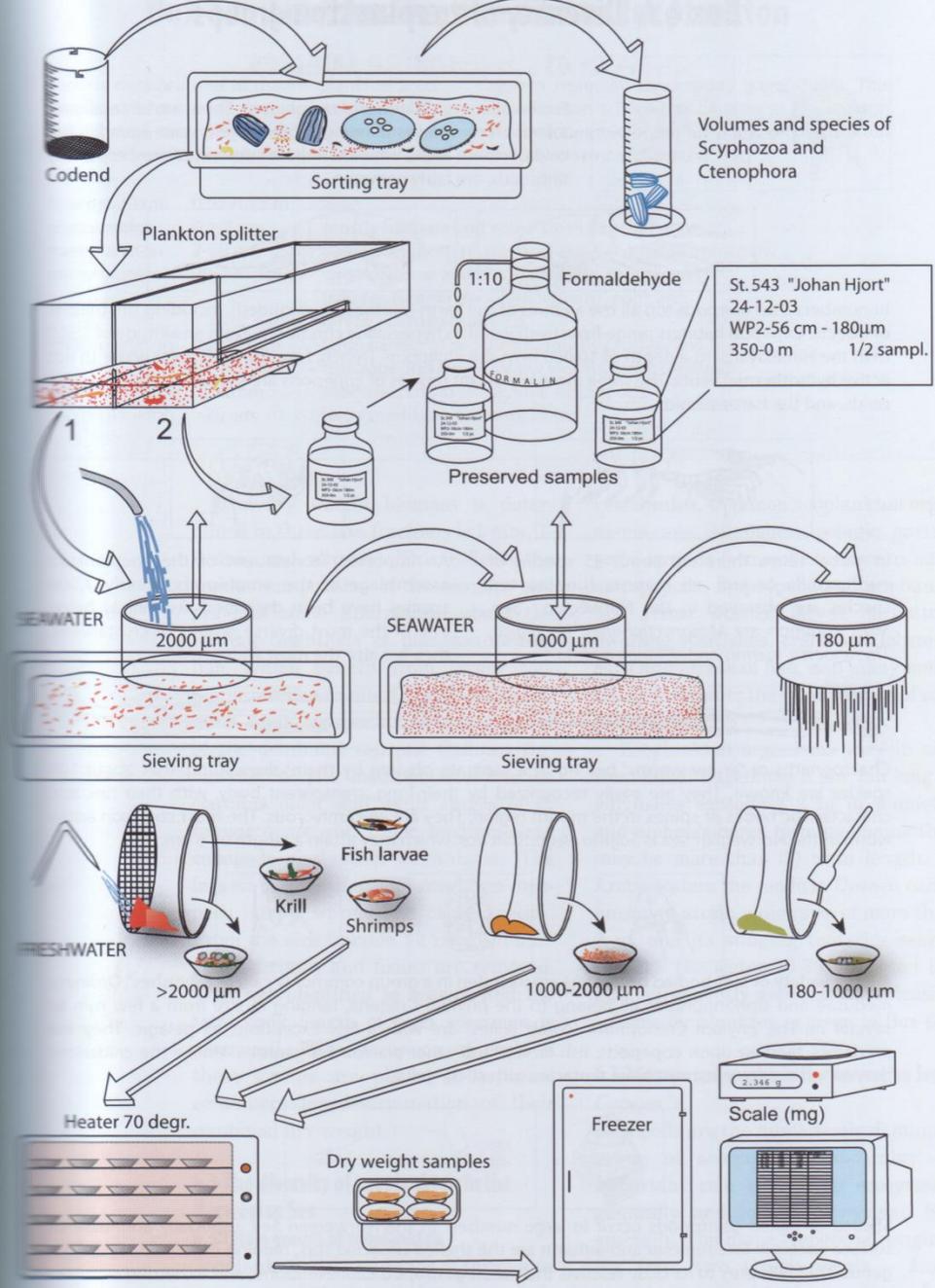
Pro
Mare

Mare
Cognitum

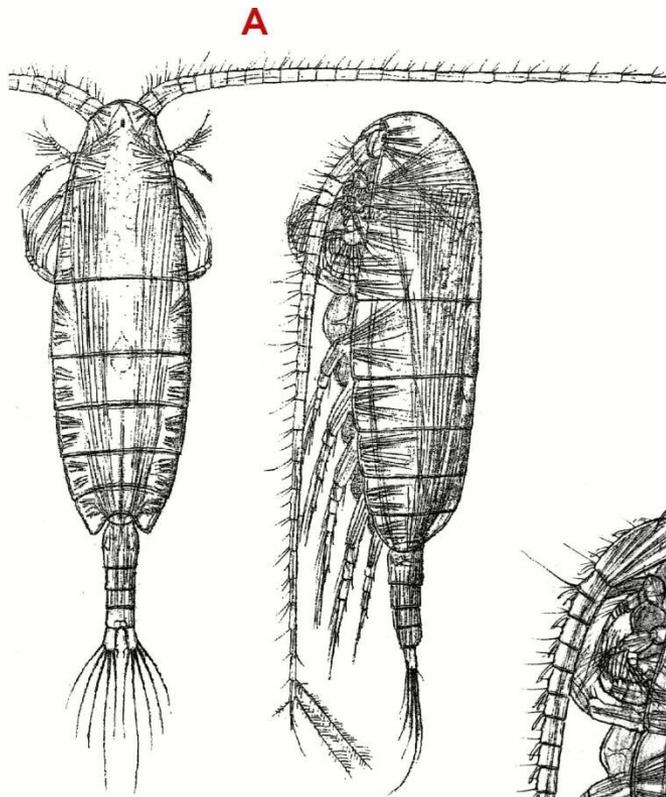




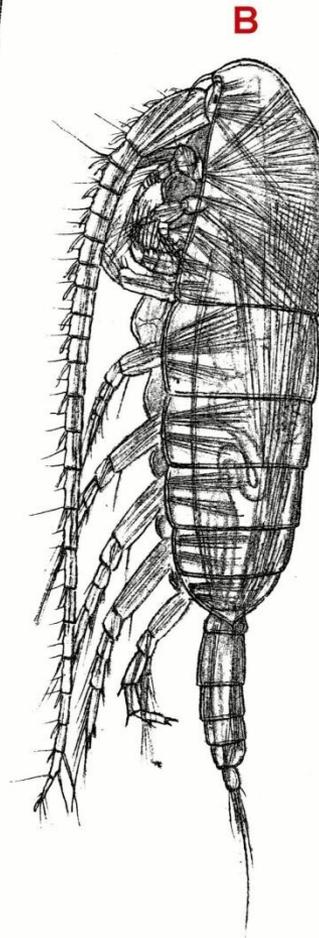
Zooplankton procedures - Institute of Marine Research







Calanus finmarchicus
Monoculus finmarchicus by
Gunnerus 1770



Calanus hyperboreus
Krøyer 1838

Calanus glacialis
Jaschnov 1955



Sars 1903
Ruud 1929
Sømme 1934
Wiborg 1954
Østvedt 1955

Marshall and Orr 1955 (1972)
The biology of a marine copepod

*On the biology of
Calanus finmarchicus*
I-XIII – 1933-1966

1000 + papers

- Conover
- Hirche
- Tande
- Runge
- Melle
- Heath
- Head
- and many others !!

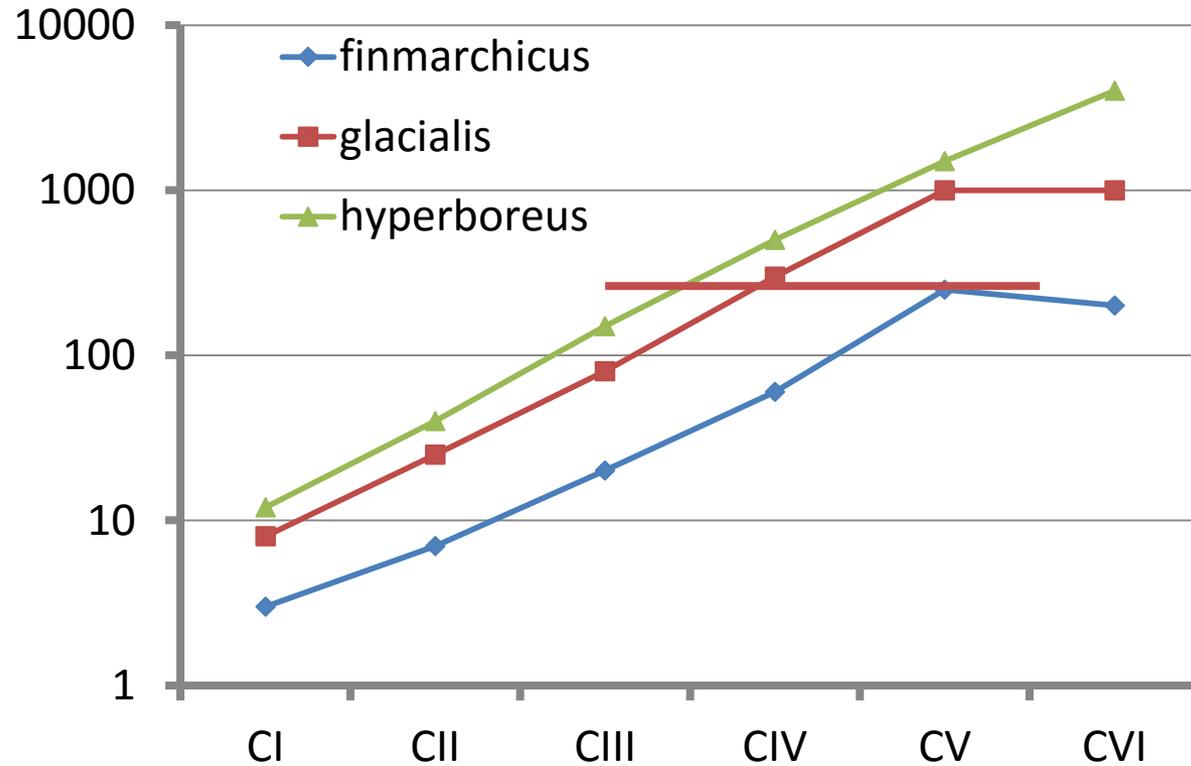
Growth

- Exponential growth – copepodites different from nauplii
- **Equiproportional** rule
- Allometric – weight-specific decline
- **Temperature** dependent
 - Bèhlerádek's equation (development time)
 - Generation length 1 → 5 mo for 10 to 0 C

Size

- Variation within stage
 - By an **order of magnitude** in weight
 - By a factor 2 in linear dimension
- Individual – normal distribution
- Within stage – **factor ca 3**
- Sex – bimodal
- Temperature (latitude) - **decrease**
- Food - **increase**

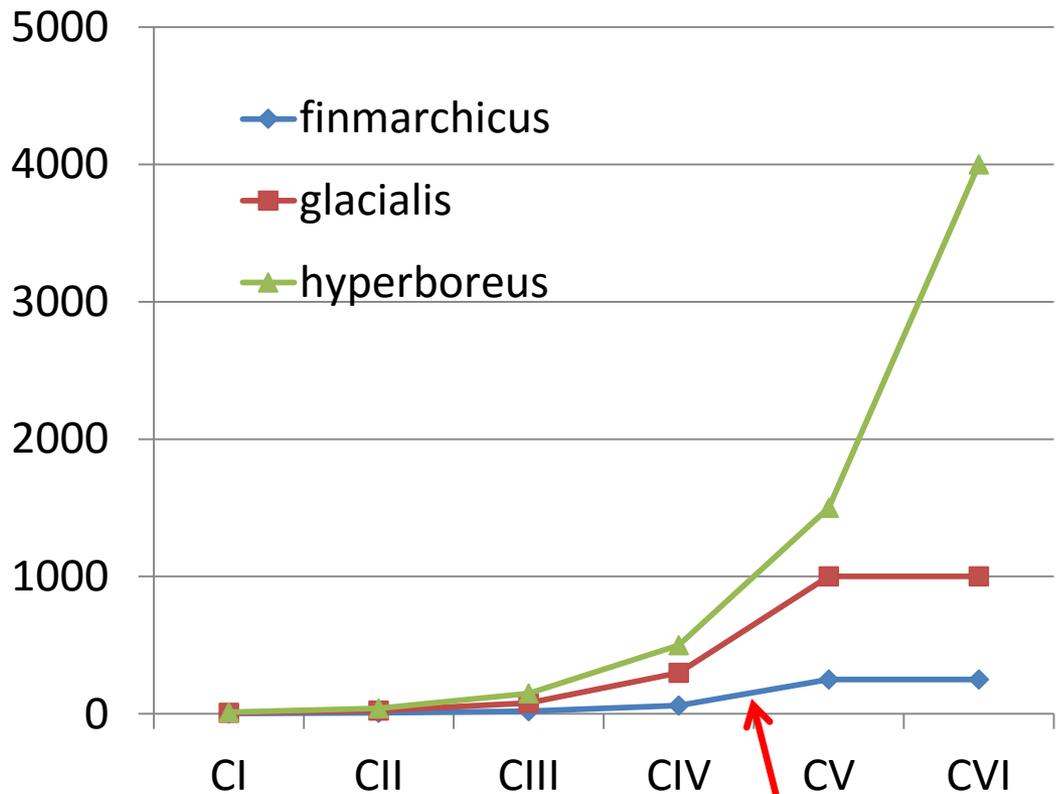
Growth of Calanus species copepodites
Dry weight – ug per individual



CV fin =
CIV glac =
CIII hyp

Growth of *Calanus* species copepodites

Dry weight – ug per individual



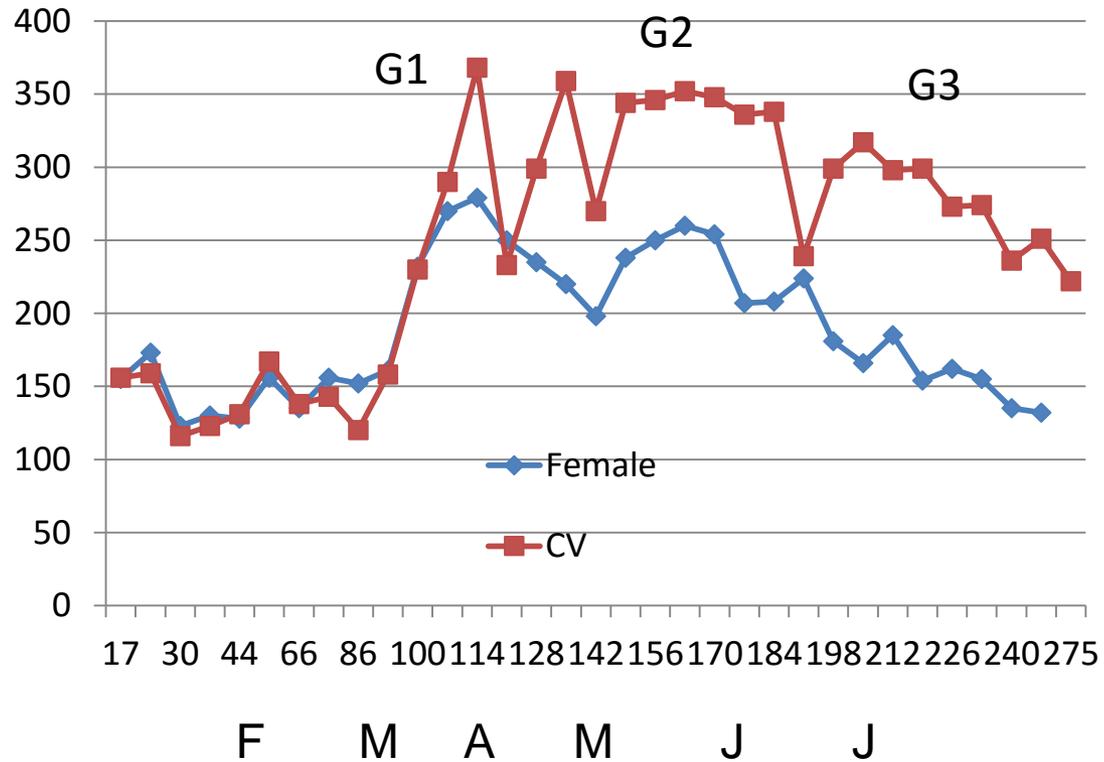
Wintering



Predation



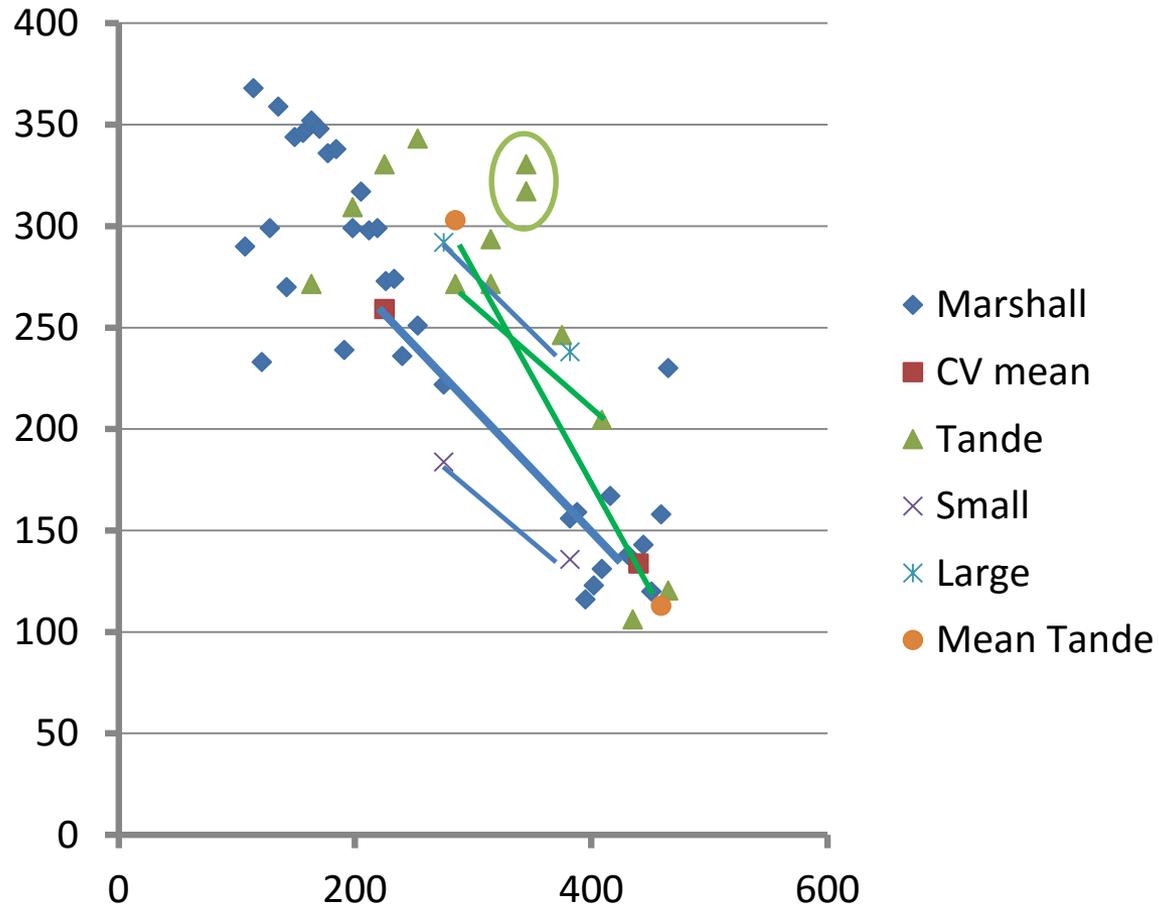
Marshall et al. 1934 – Loch Striven, Clyde Sea



Wintering

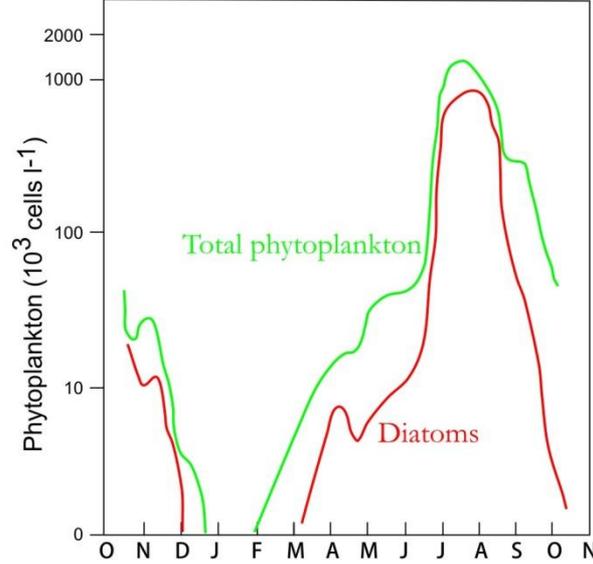
- Dormant, inactive state – diapause?
- **Maturation** process ongoing
- Active metabolism reflected in **weight loss**
- Ca 0.5 ug dry weight per day at 4C
- Apparently Lower than predicted from respiration - Saumweber and Durbin 2006
- **Limited capacity for wintering** in a non-feeding state – they burn up through metabolism

Weight loss (dry weight ind-1) of CV Calanus finmarchicus CV through winter

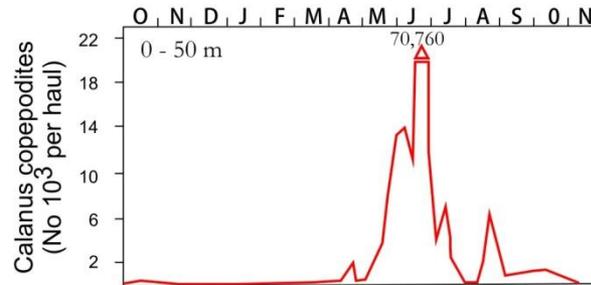


**Weatherstation
Station 'M'**

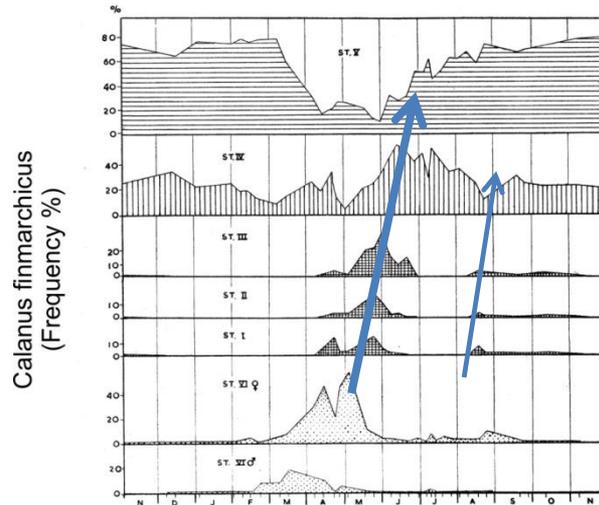
**Weekly
sampling
Oct 1948 –
Nov 1949**

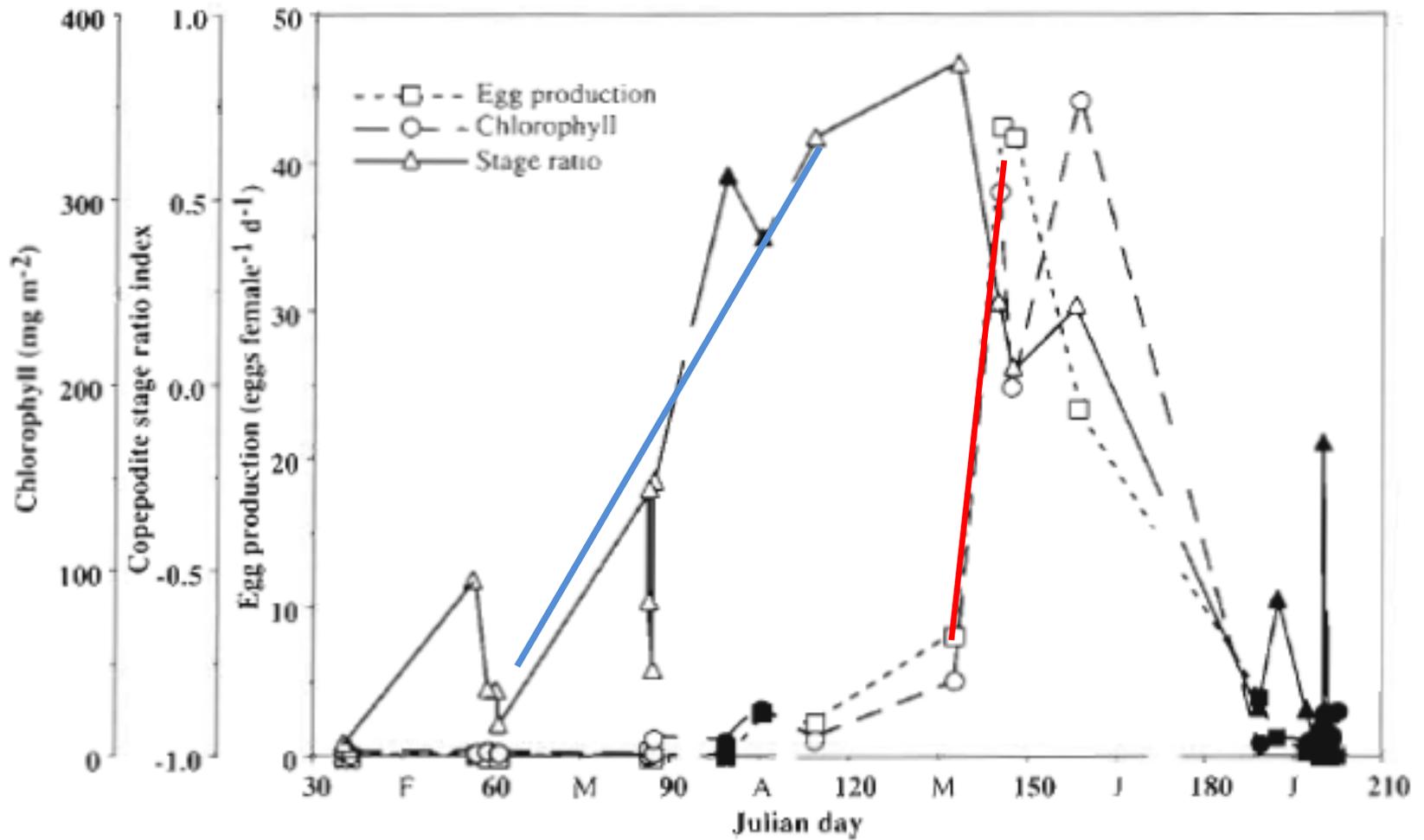


Halldal 1953

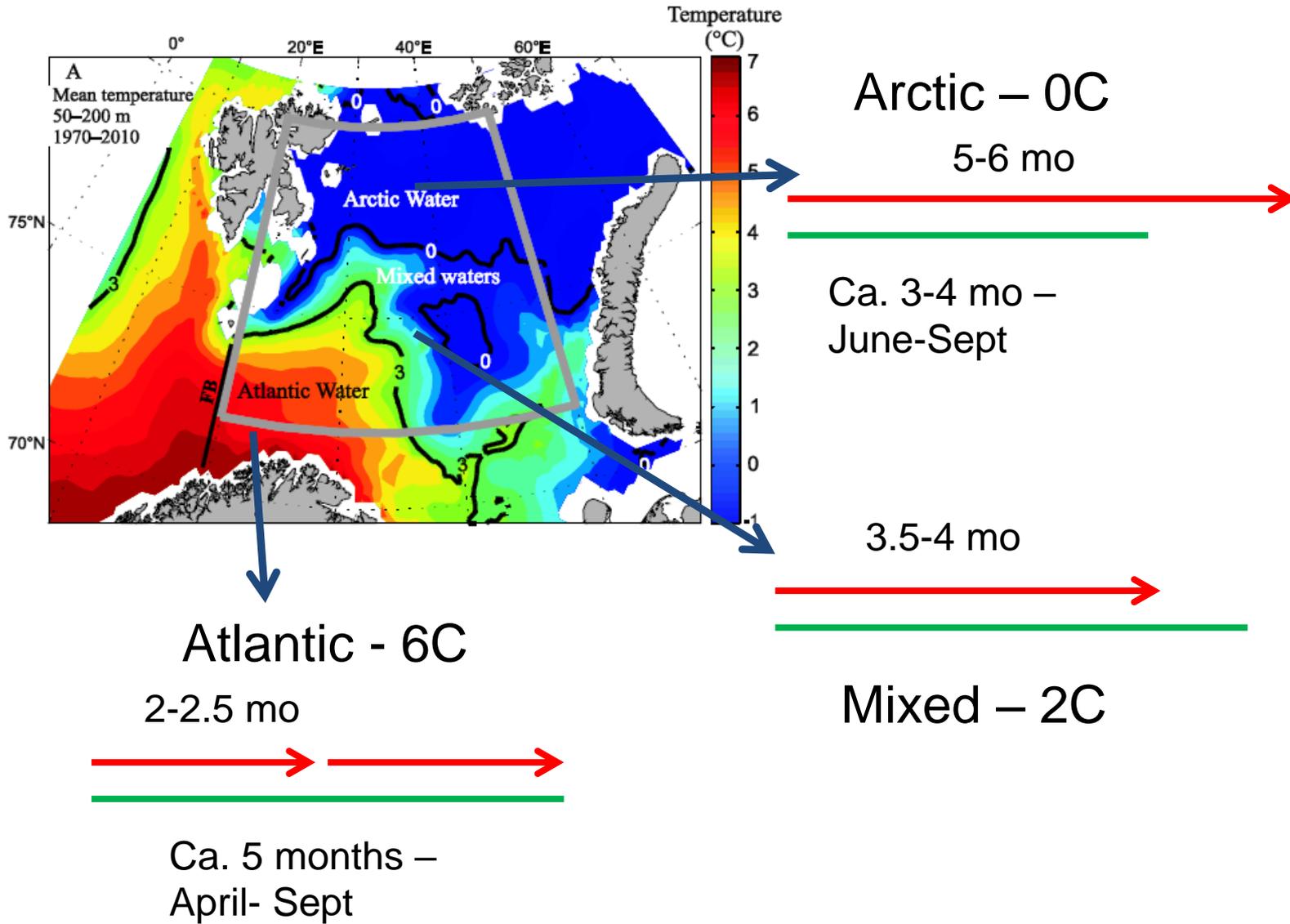


Østvedt 1955



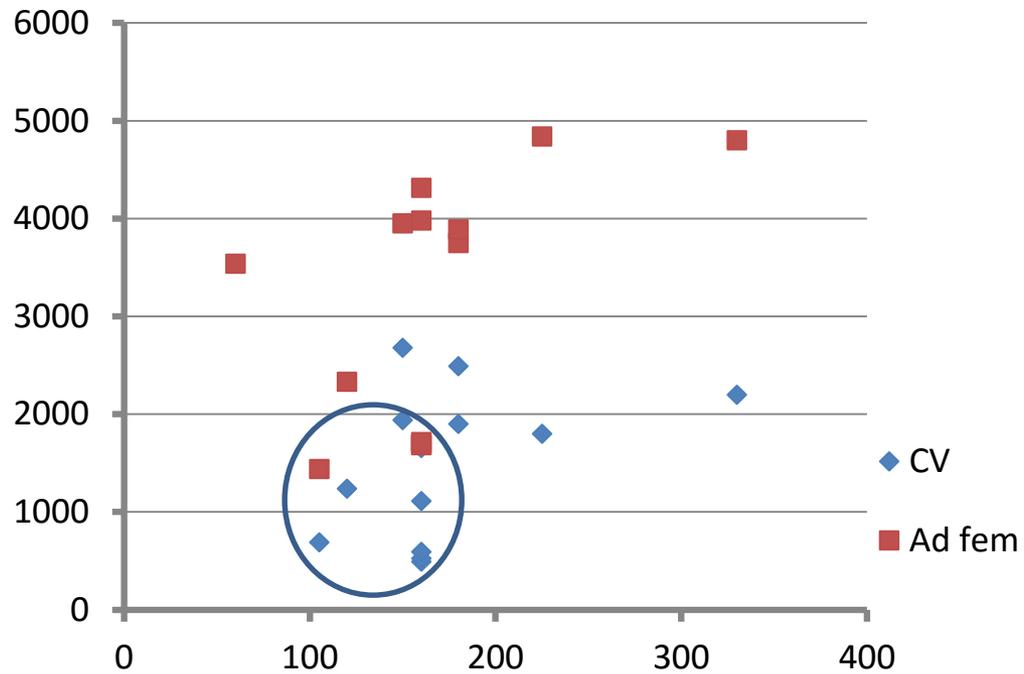


Melle and Skjoldal 1998

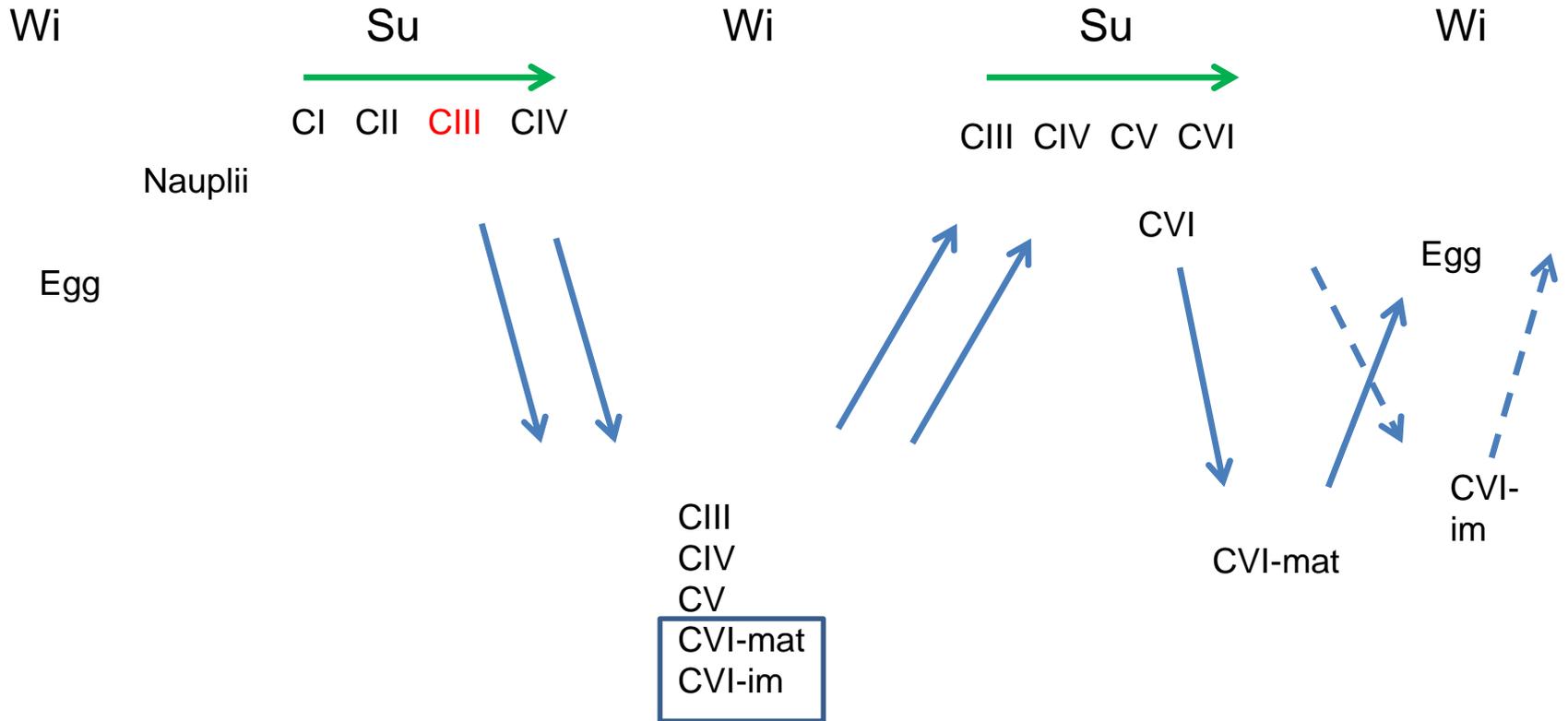


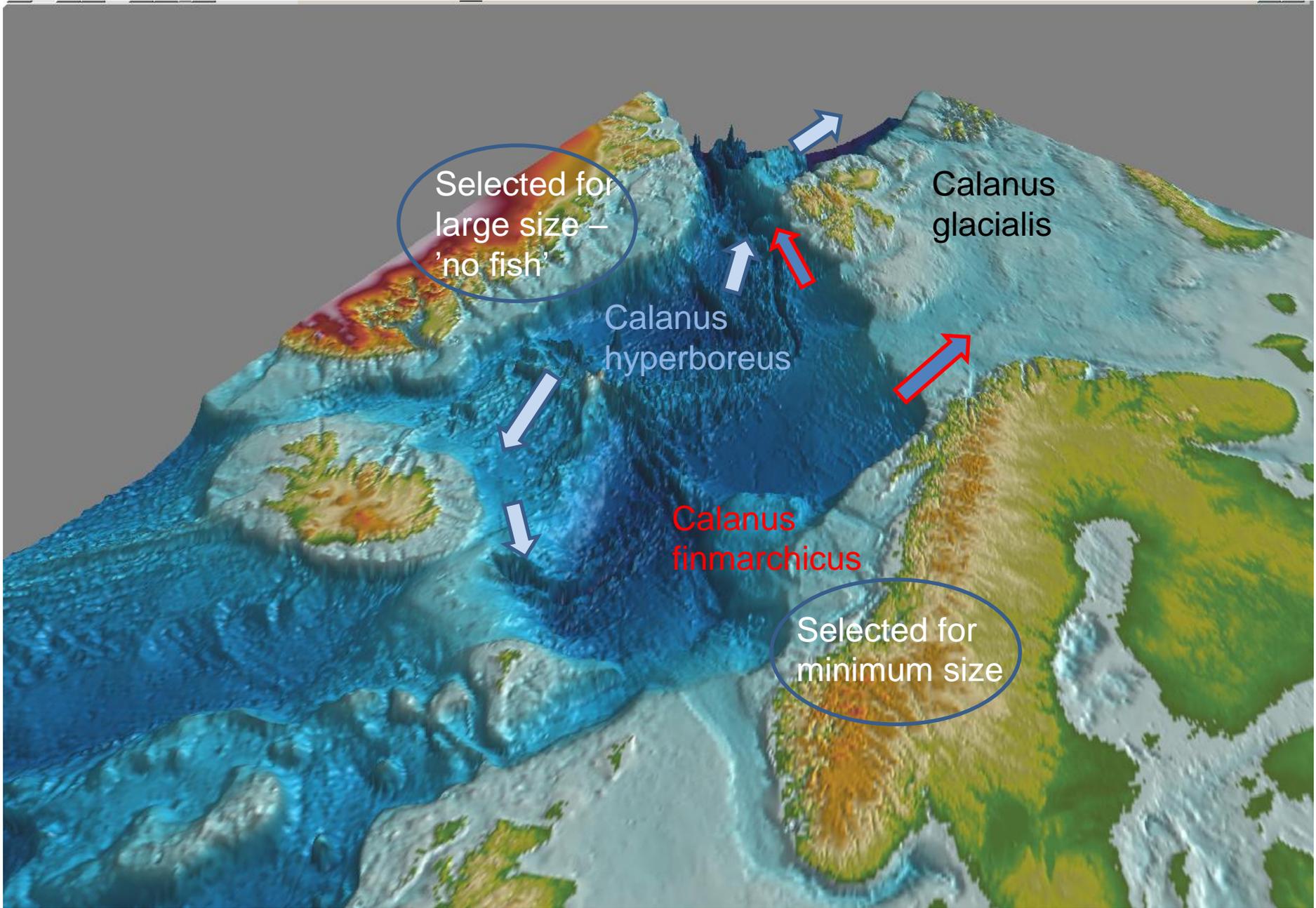
Calanus hyperboreus

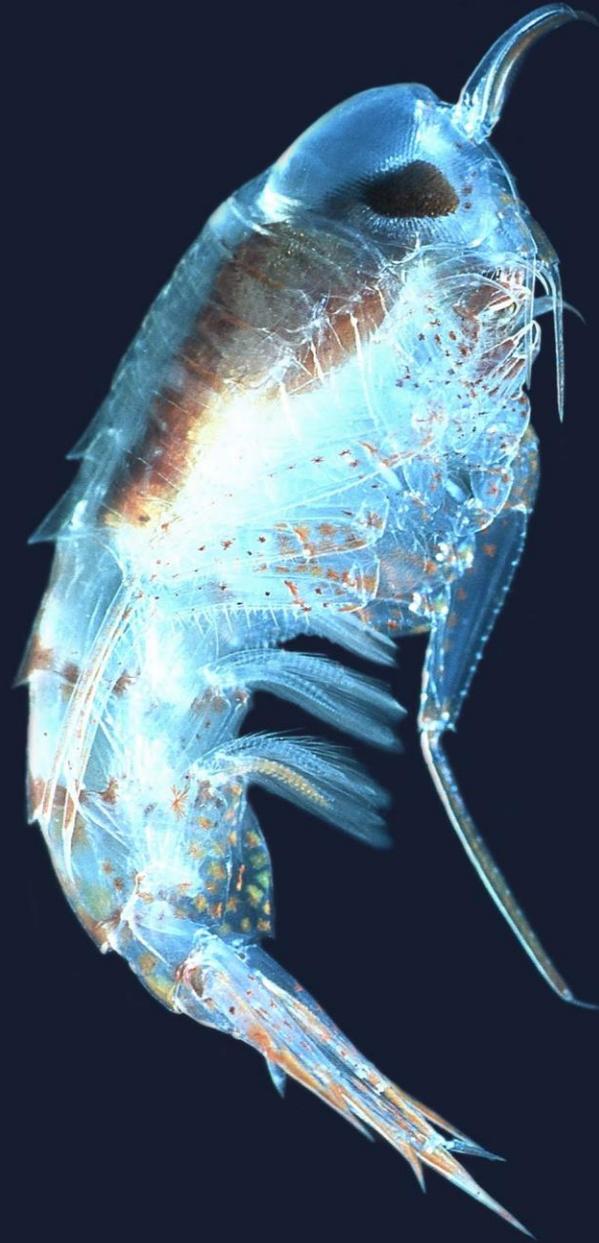
Dry weight ug ind-1



Life cycle – *Calanus hyperboreus*



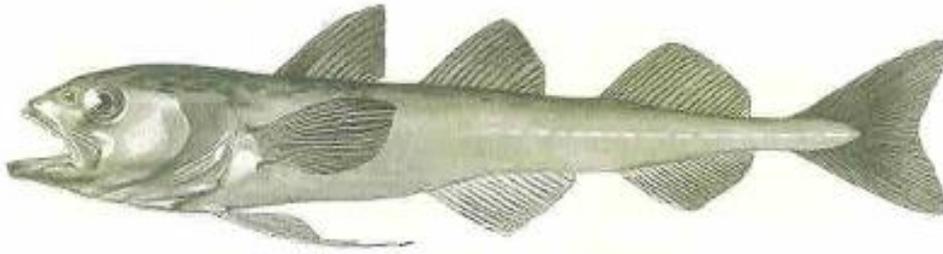




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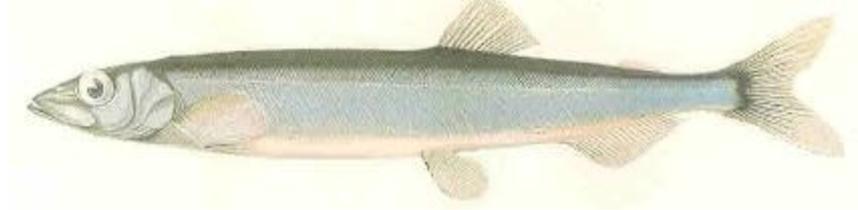


Integrated Ecosystem Assessment Groups in ICES



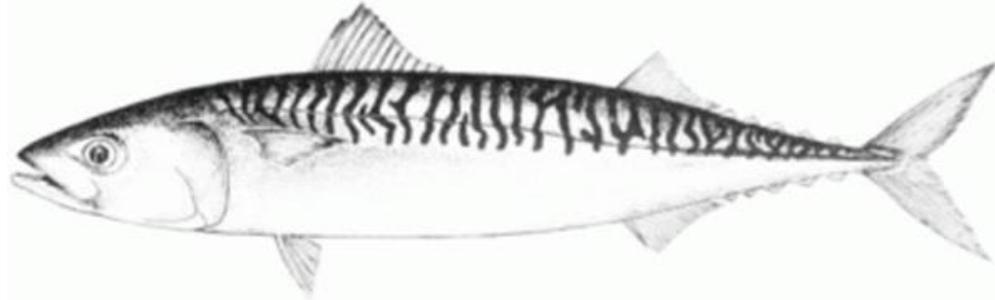
Polar cod -
Boreogadus

Capelin

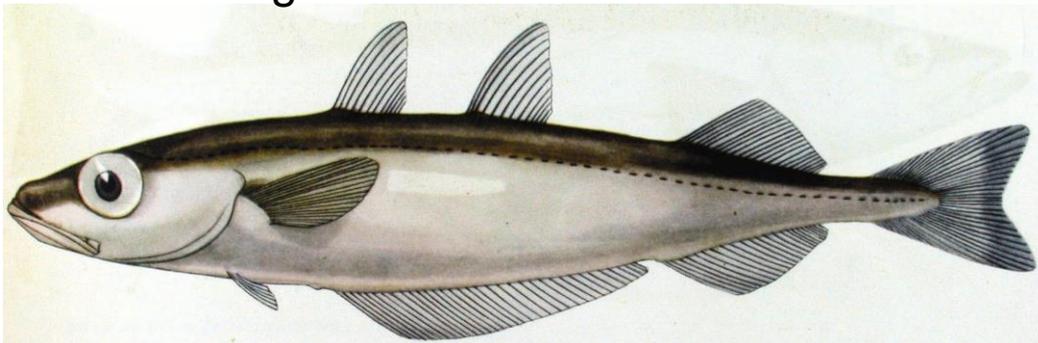


Herring

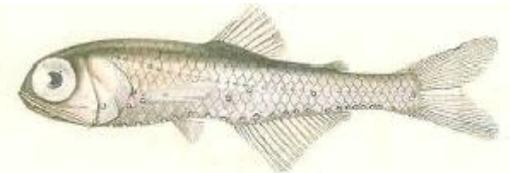
Mackerel

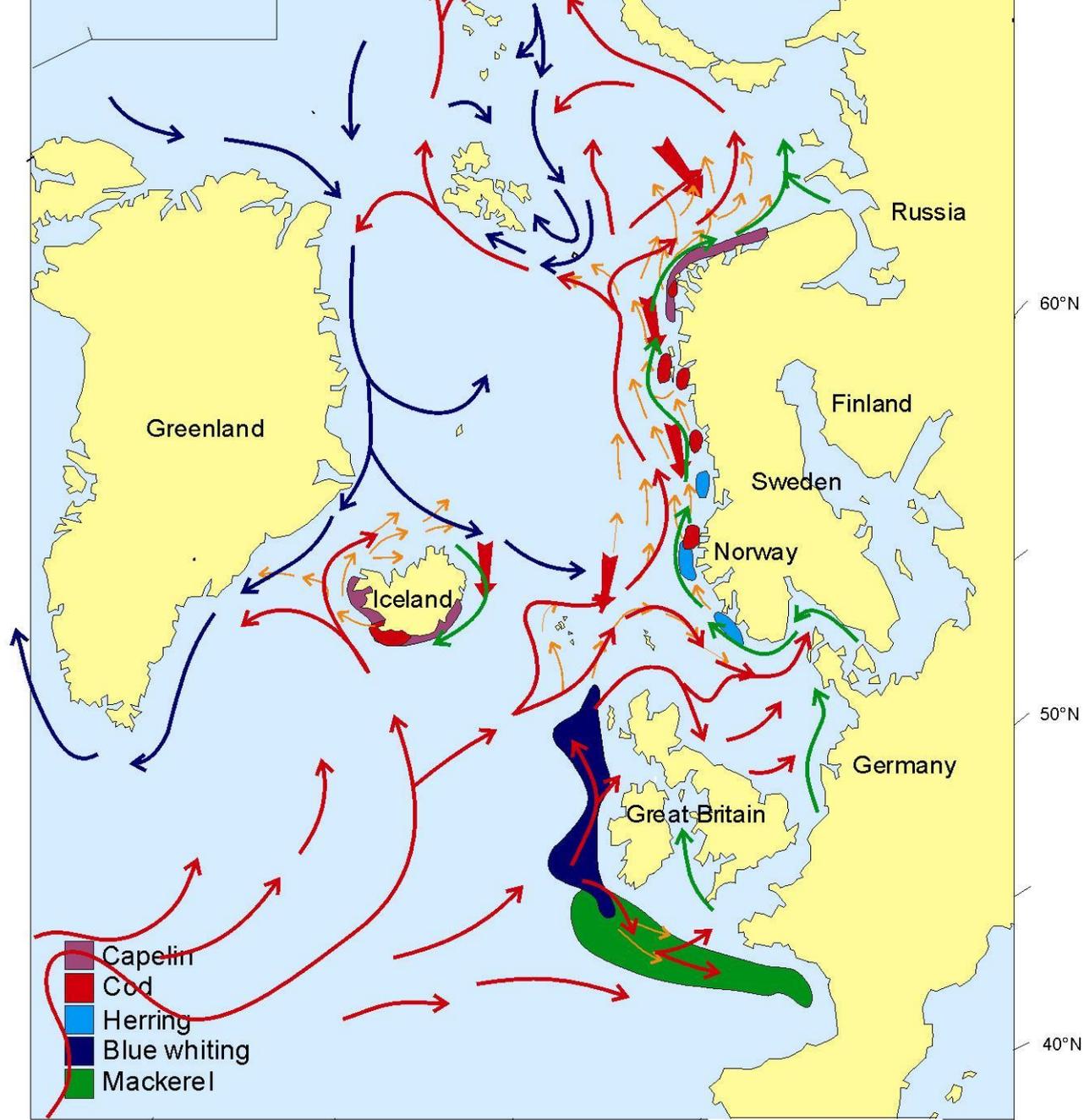


Blue whiting



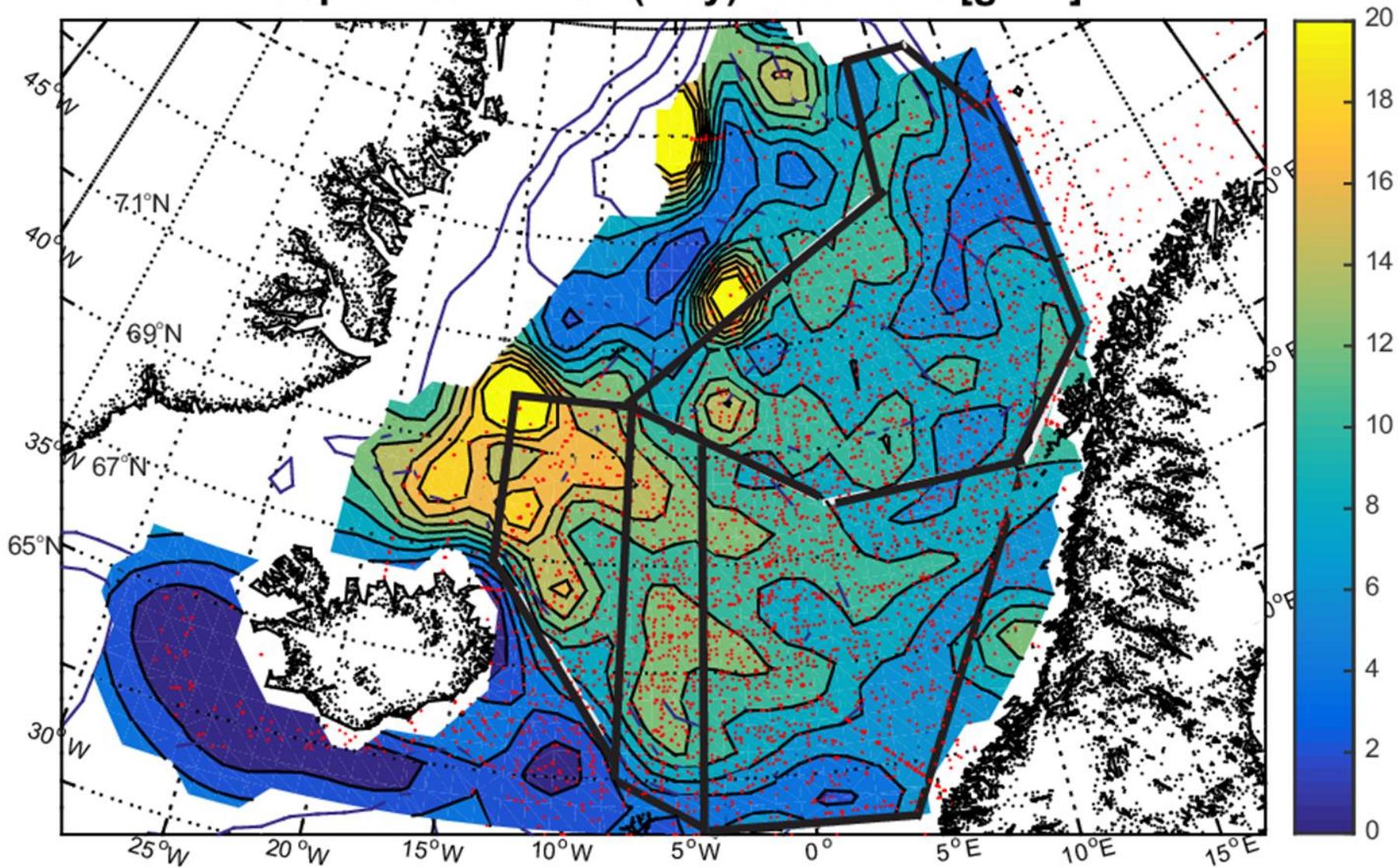
Myctophid

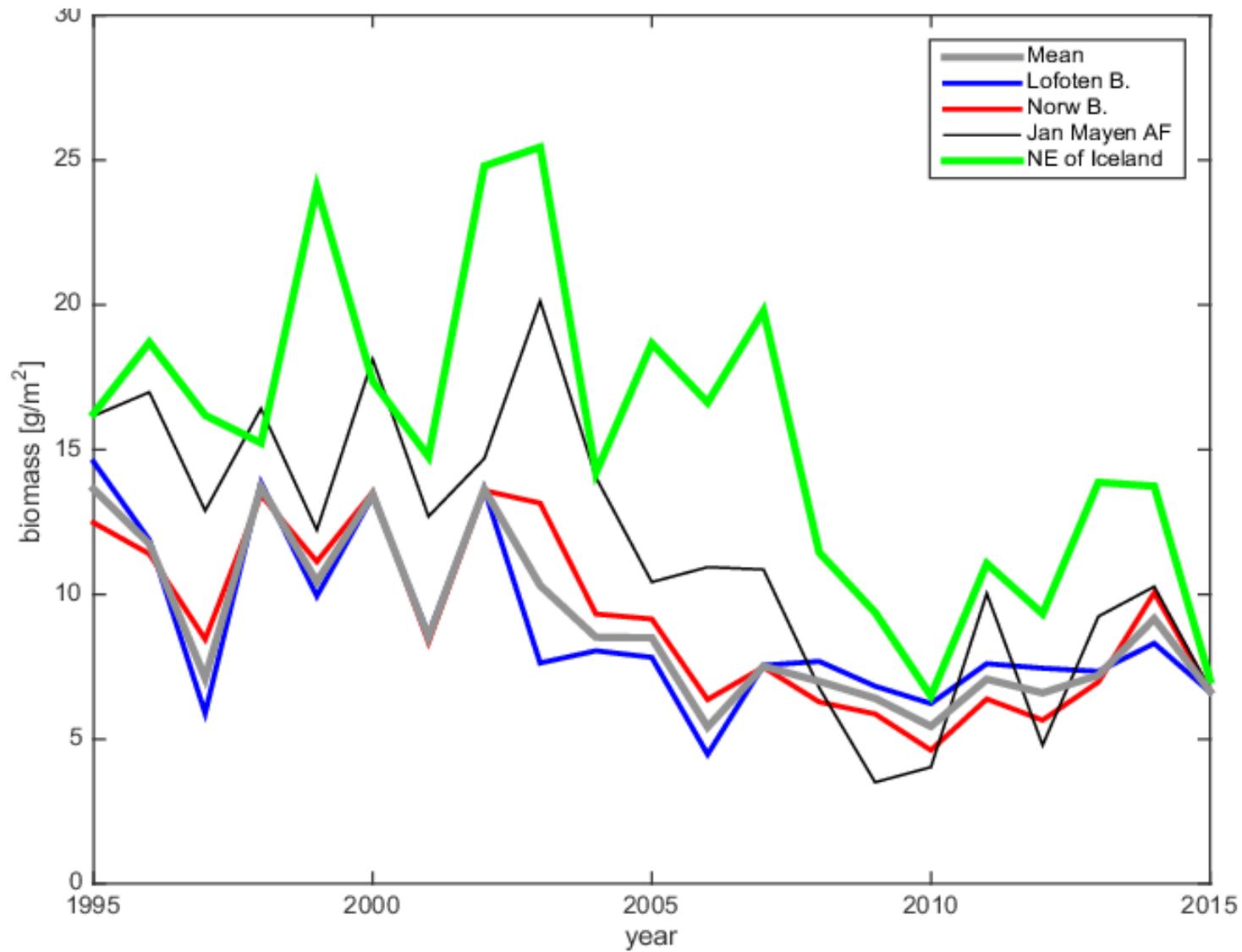




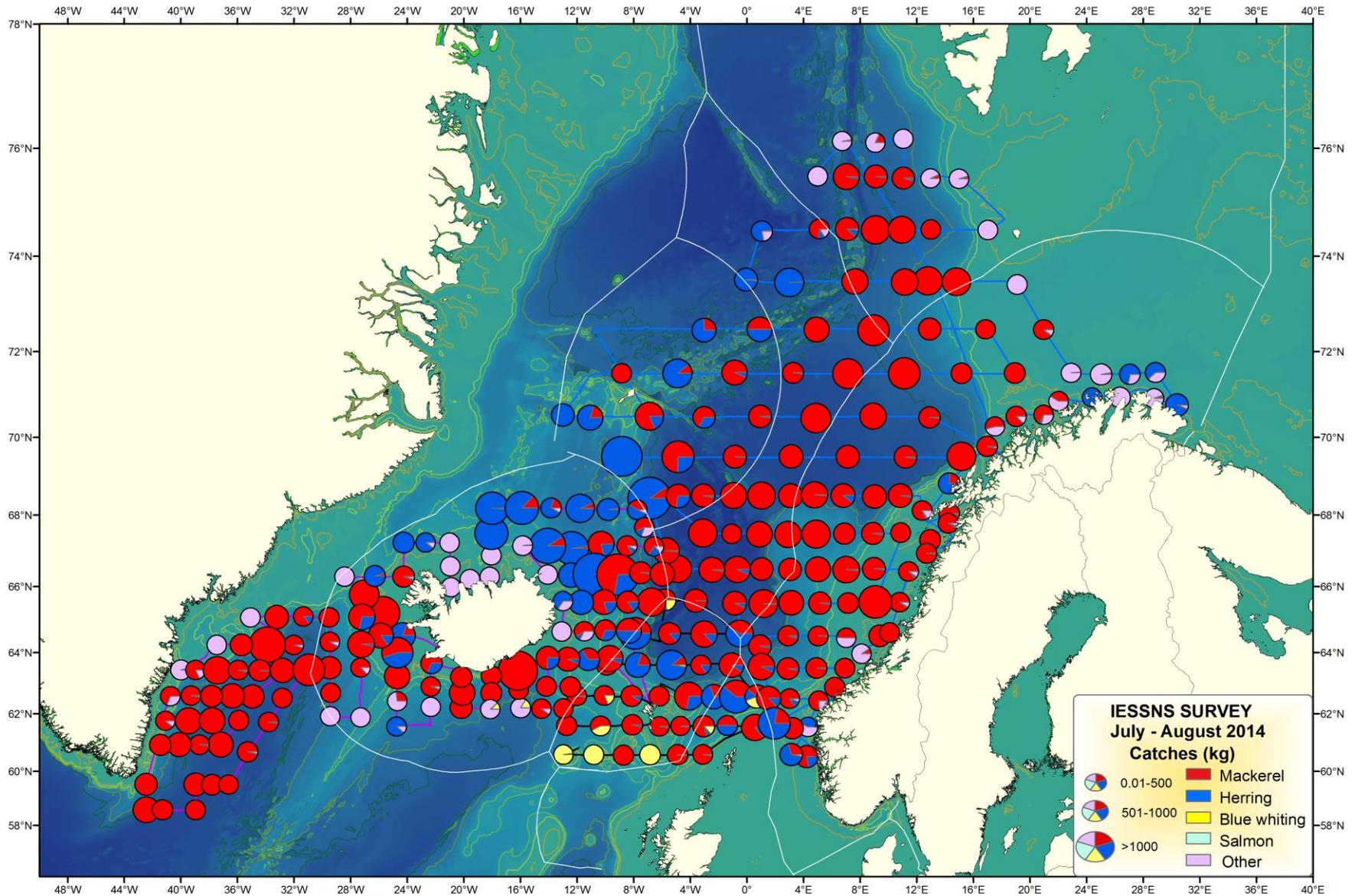
40°W 30°W 20°W 10°W
 → Atlantic water
 → Arctic water

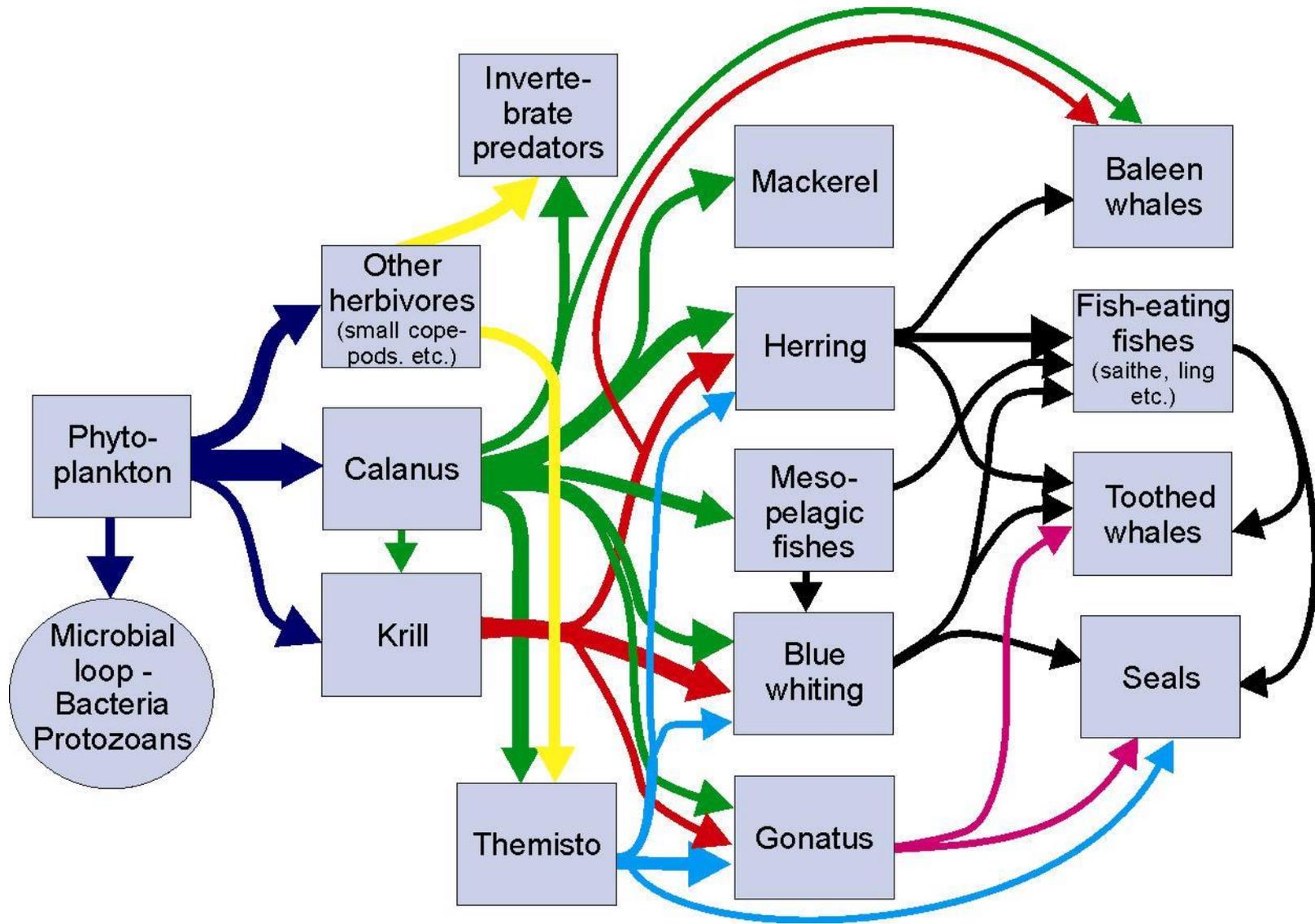
Zooplankton: Mean (May) 1995-2015 [gm^{-2}]



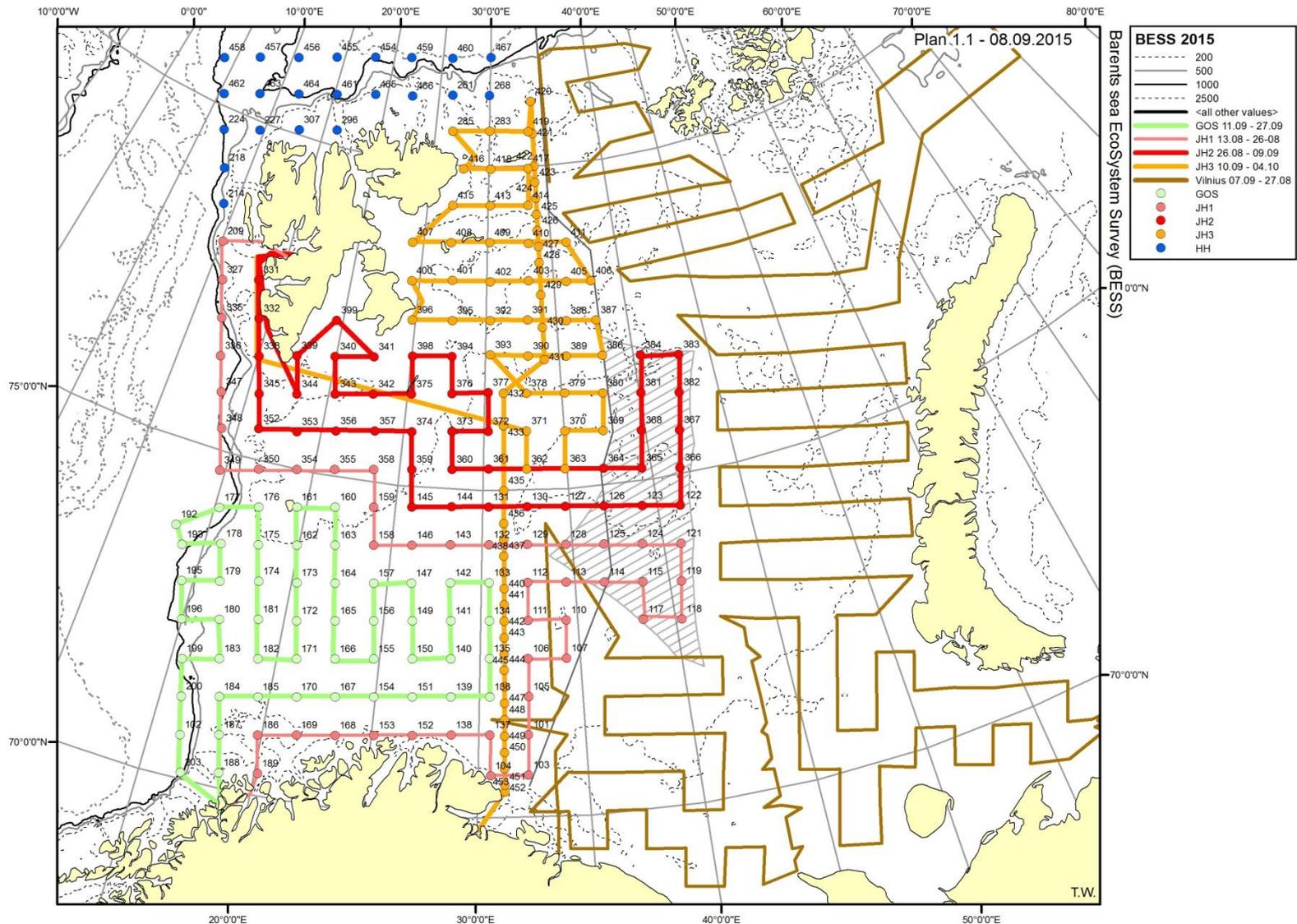


Distribution and overlap of mackerel and herring





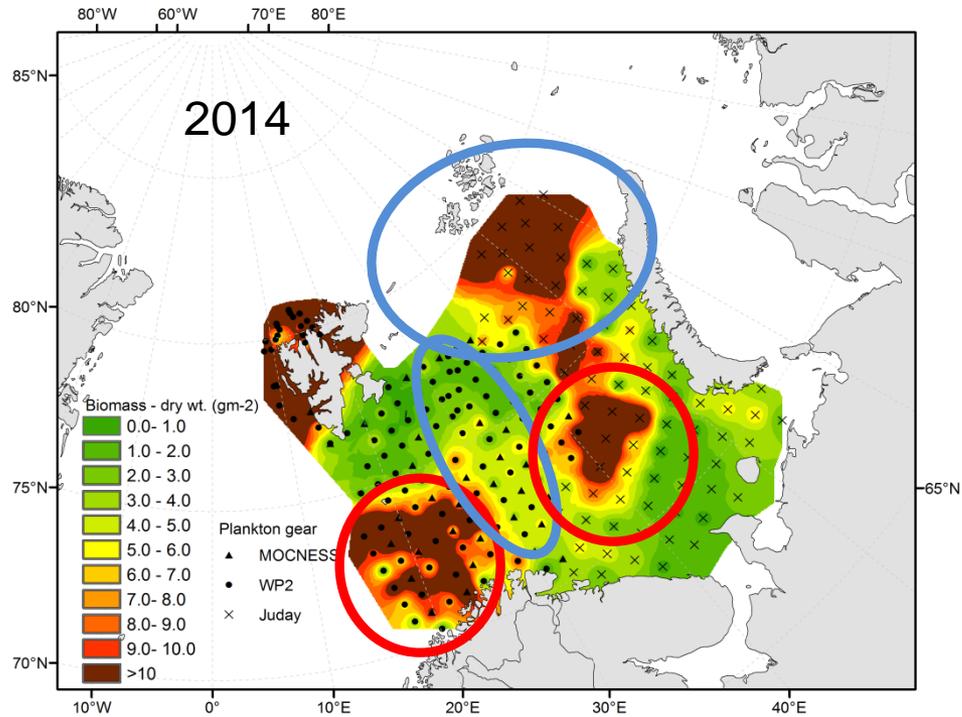
Survey design 2015



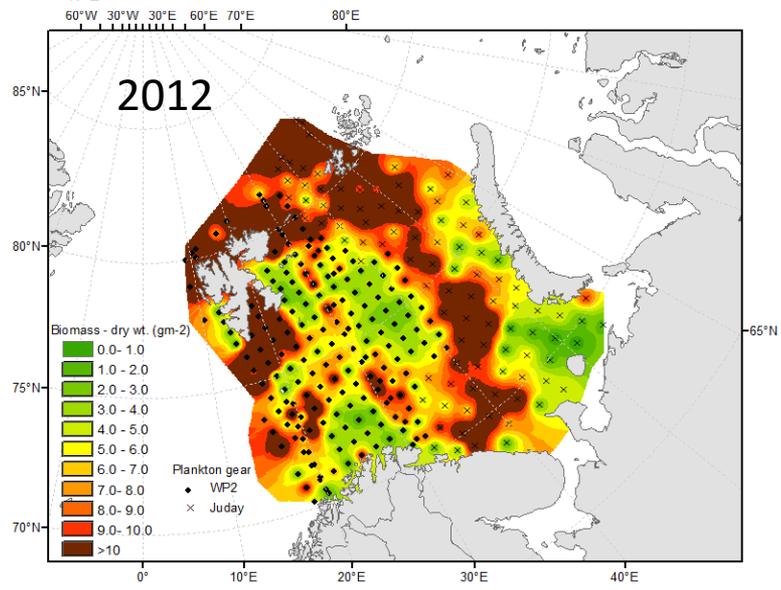
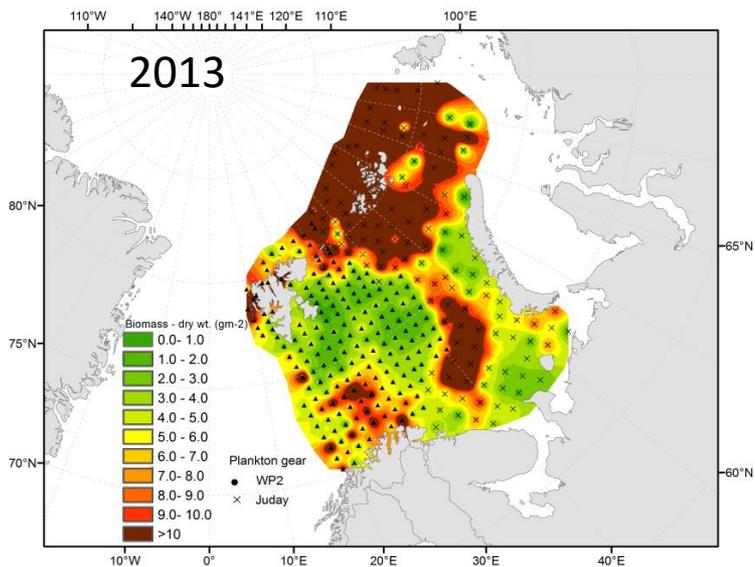
Hydrography and plankton stations

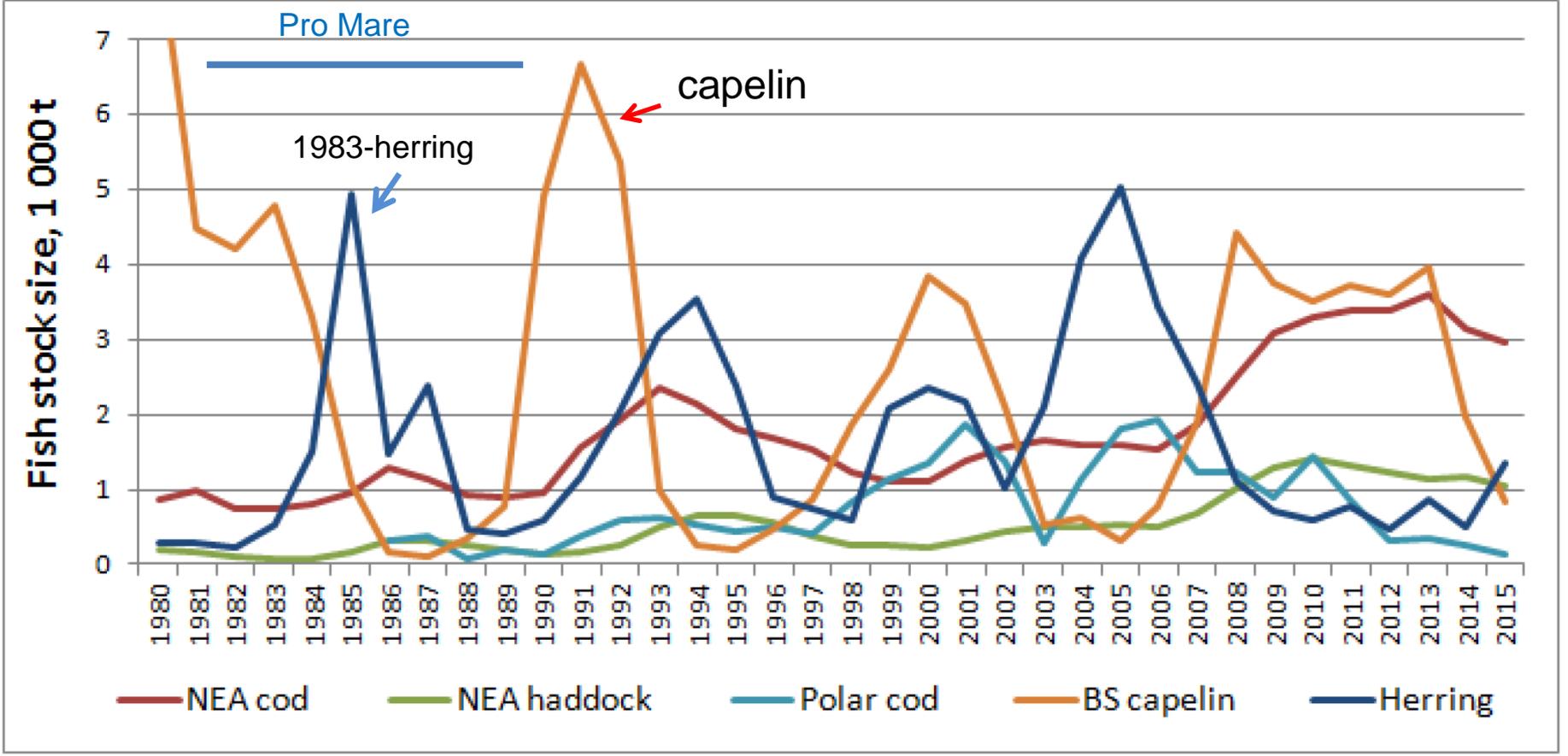
Bottom and pelagic trawl stations

Biomass distribution- PINRO/IMR

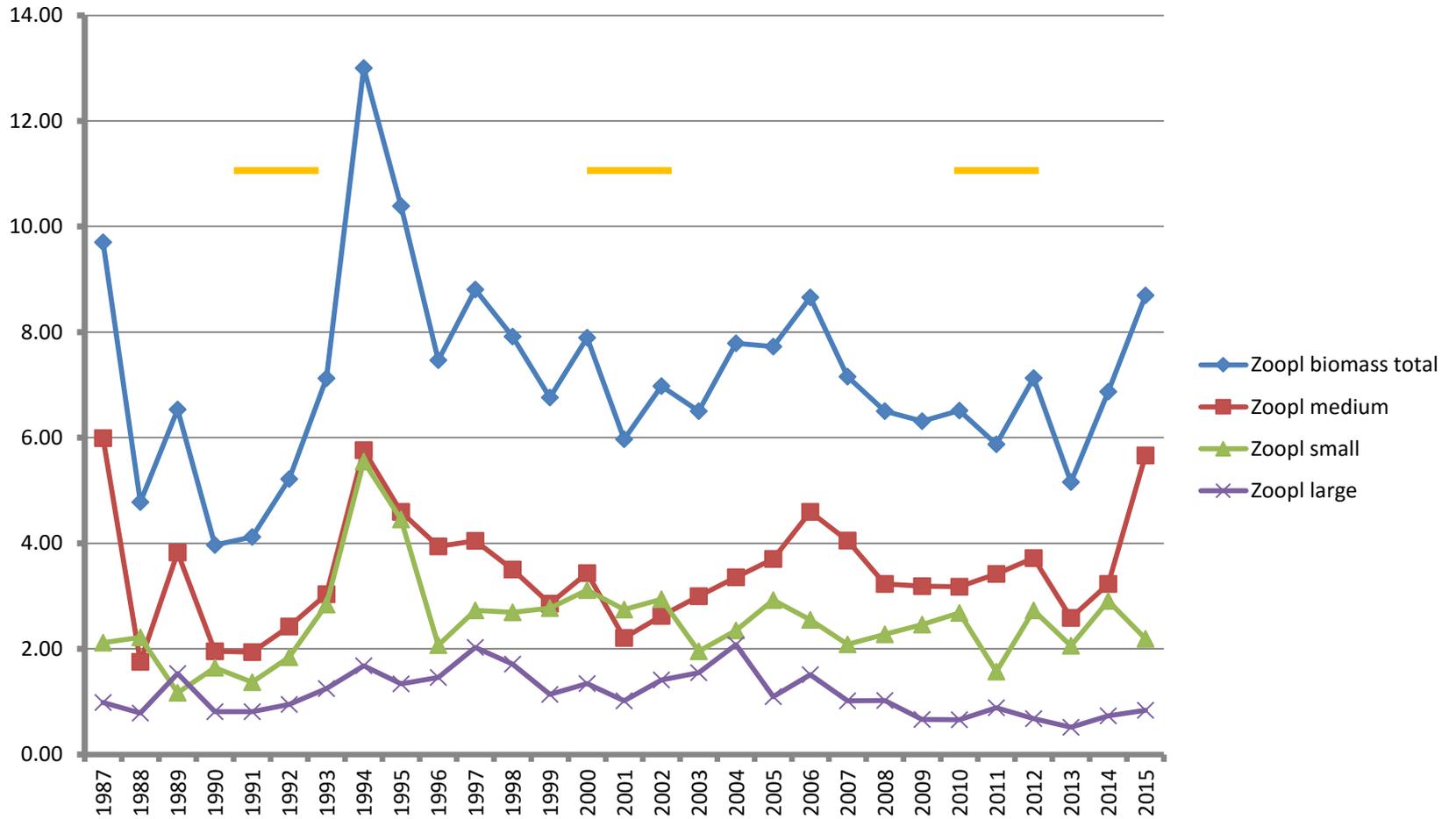


2014 - 6.7 gm⁻² (232 st.)
2013 - 7.1 gm⁻² (305 st.)
2012 - 7.6 gm⁻² (287 st.)





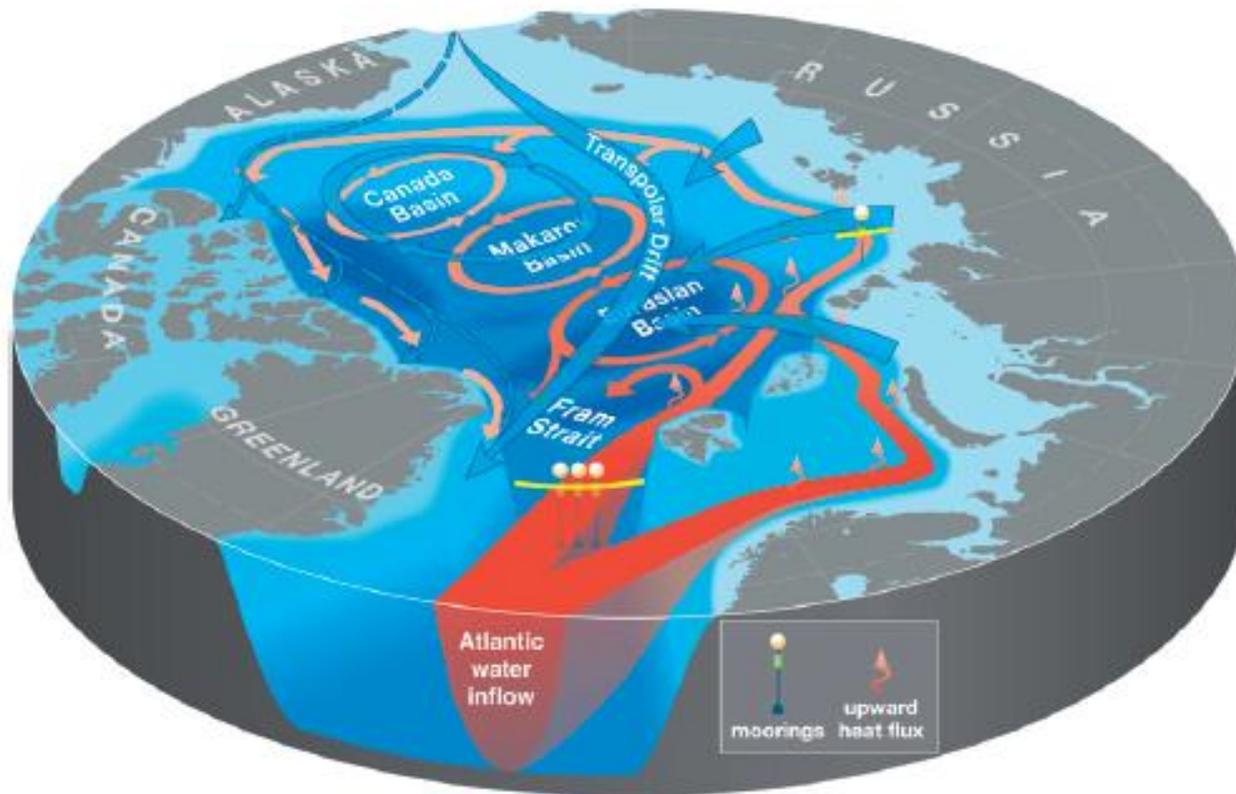
Zooplankton biomass g dry weight m-2



Bowhead



Atlantic inflow



Polyakov et al. (2012) Journal of Climate

