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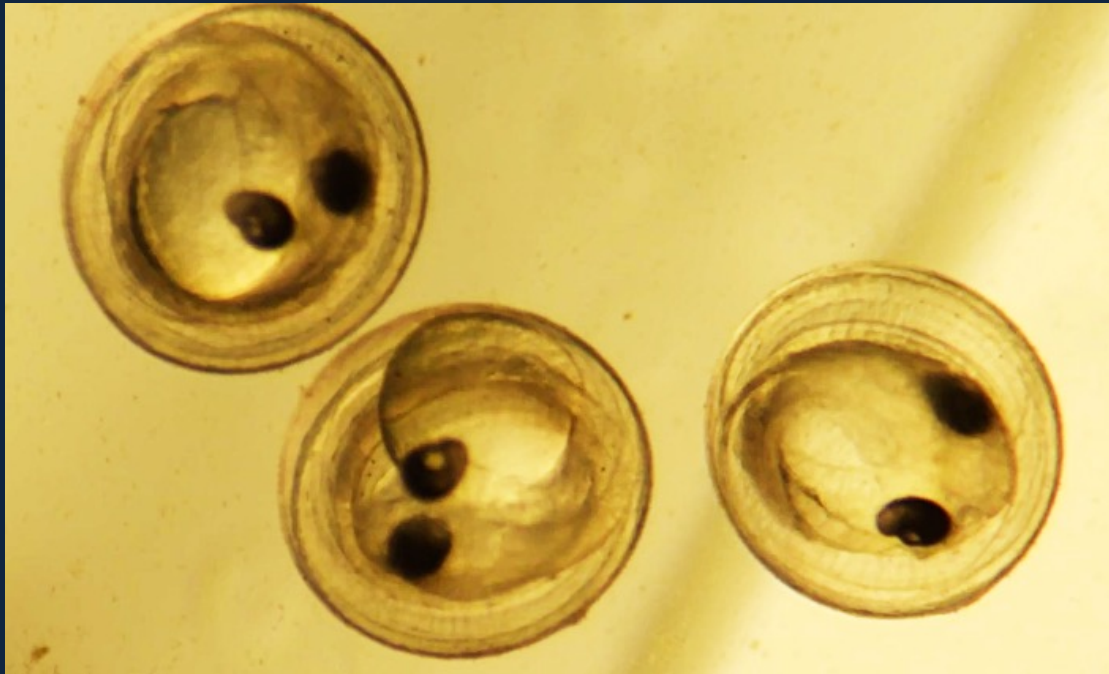
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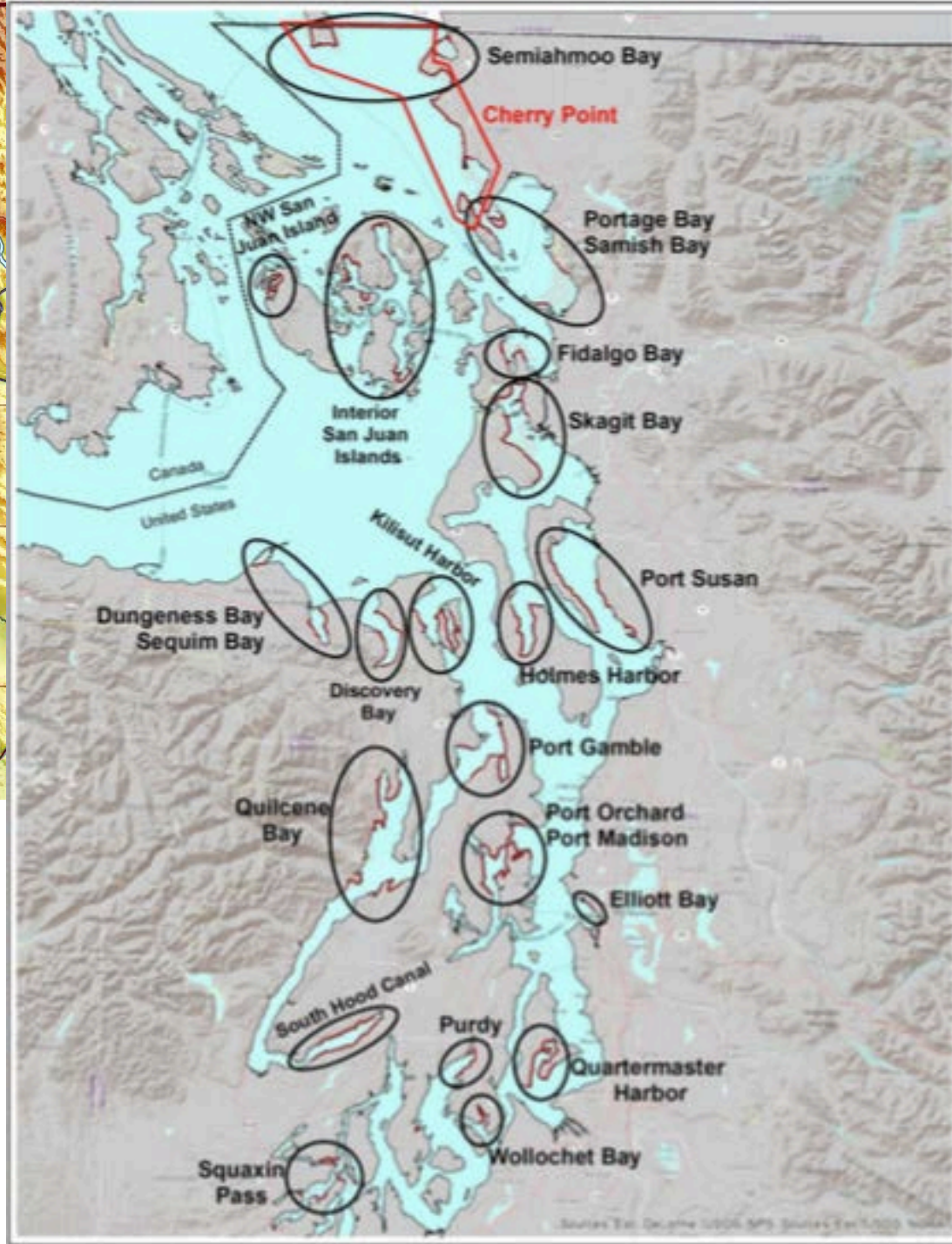
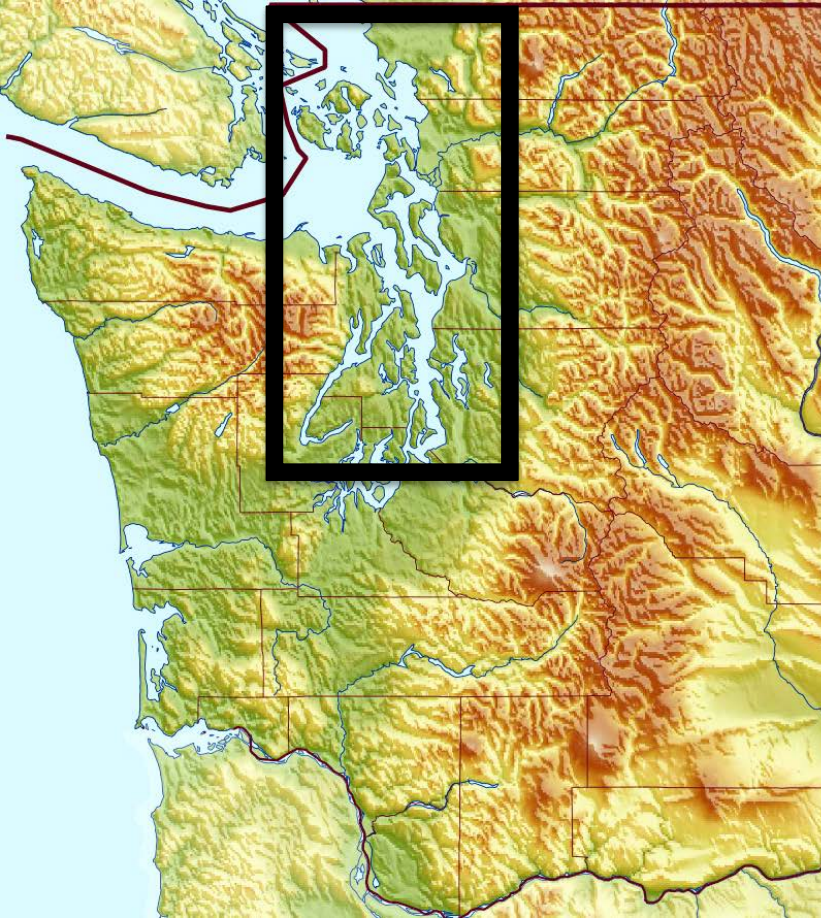
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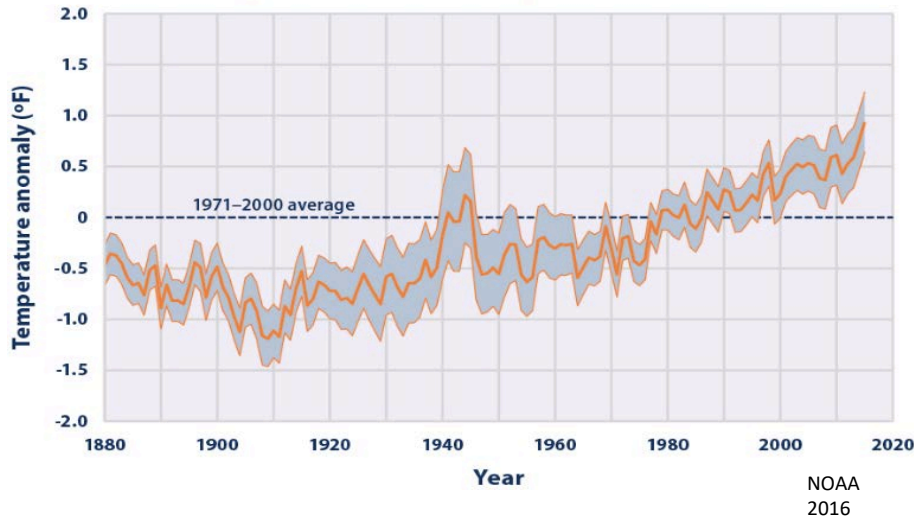
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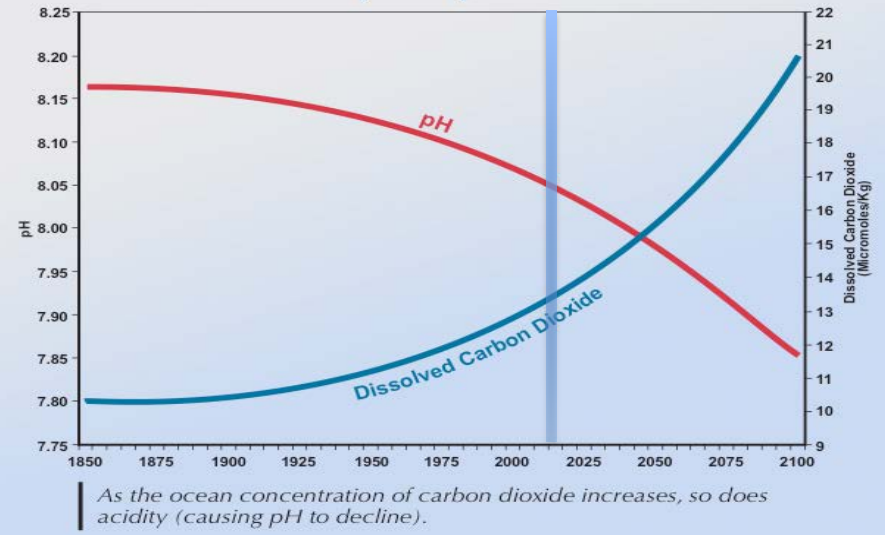
We looked at the Pacific herring spawn stocks in Cherry Point which is in decline.

# Are warmer and more acidic waters part of the reason?

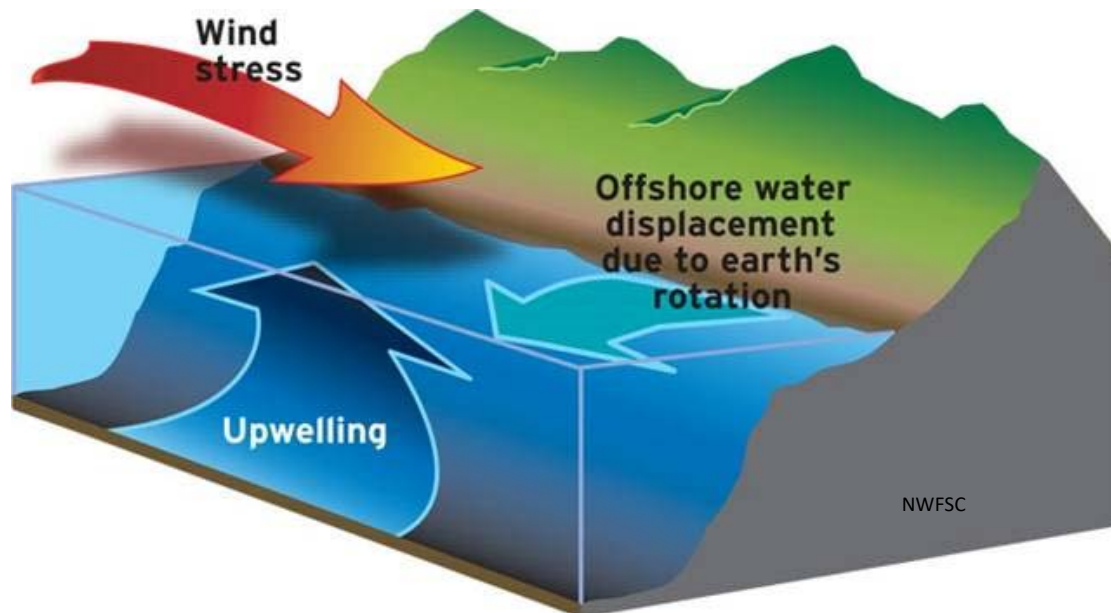
Average Global Sea Surface Temperature, 1880–2015



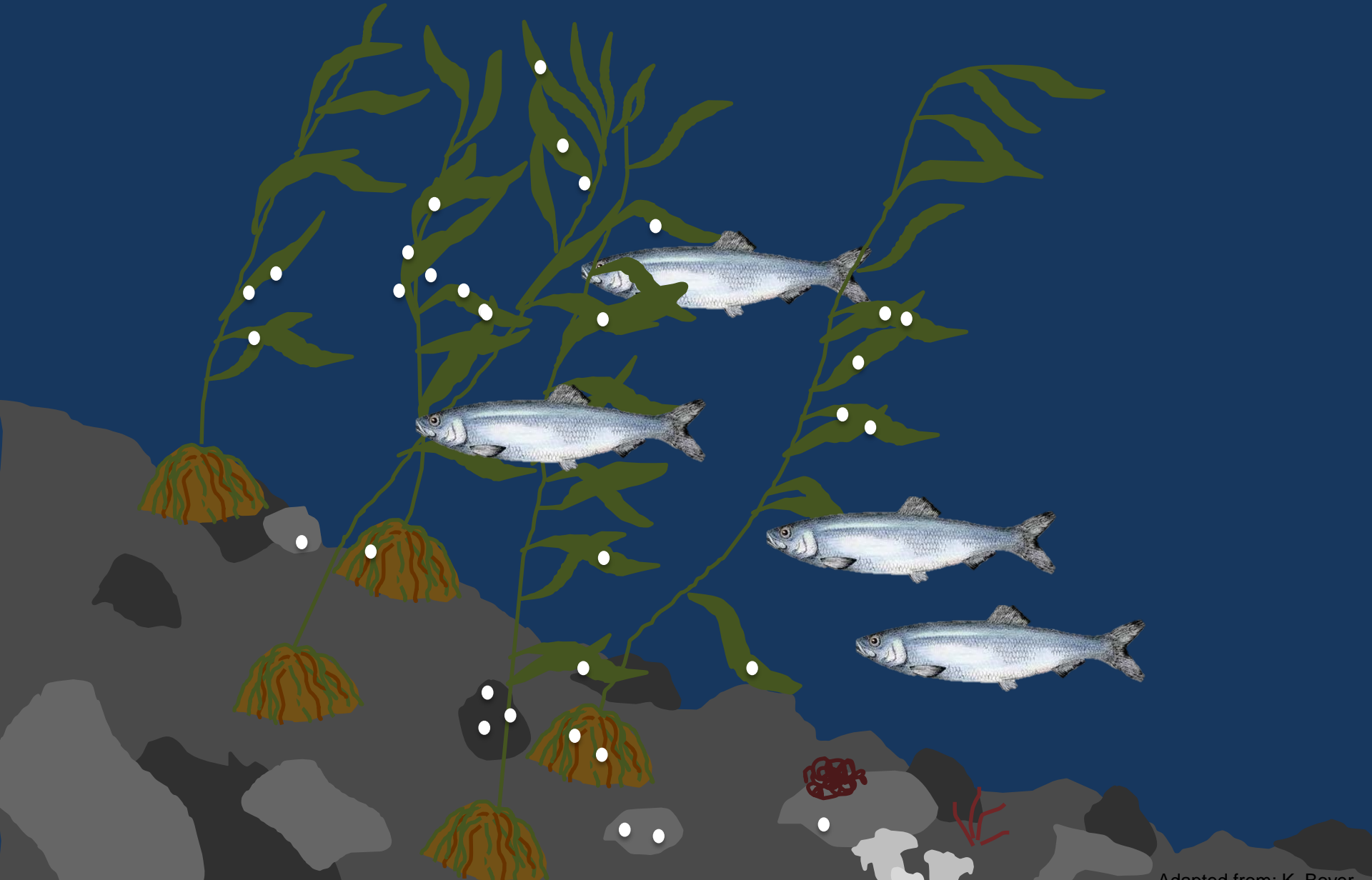
Historical & Projected pH & Dissolved CO<sub>2</sub>



Source: Feely, Richard A., et al. (2006) Carbon Dioxide and Our Ocean Legacy. Pew Trust



# Adult herring spawn in nearshore coastal waters



# Responses to acidification are species-specific

Impairs olfactory senses



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

Reduces growth and survival

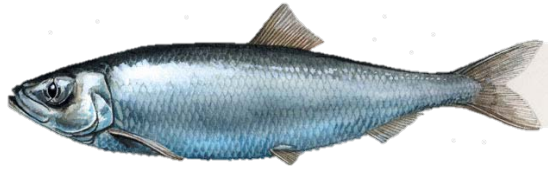


Inland Silverside (Baumann et al. 2012. *Nat. Clim. Chang.*)





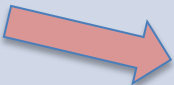
No sperm motility effects



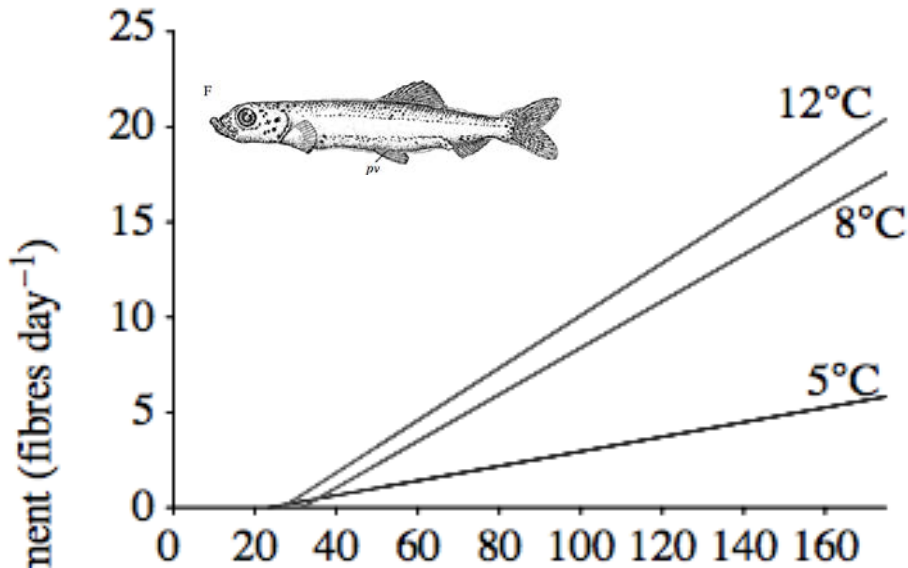
Baltic Cod (Frommel et al. 2012. *Mar. Biol.*)



## Atlantic Herring (*Clupea harengus*)

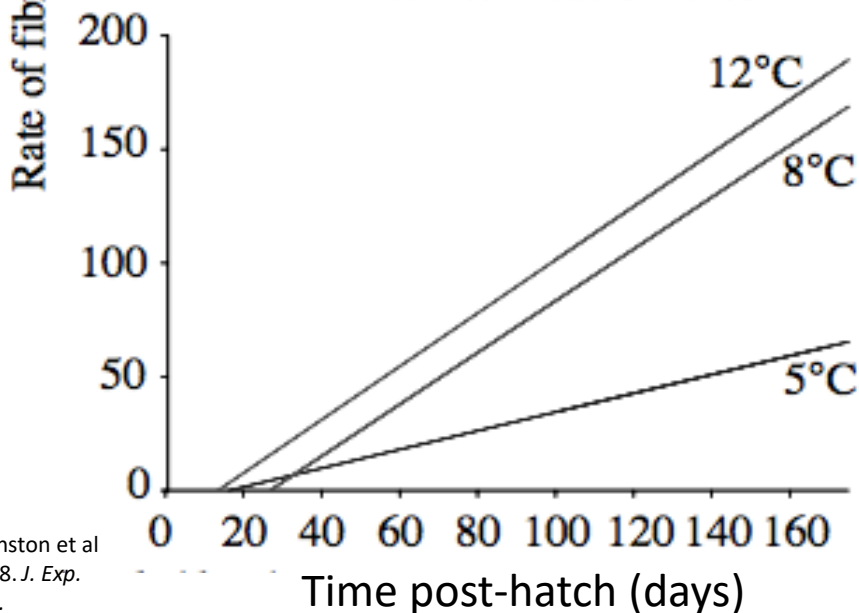
Year		Effects under high CO <sub>2</sub>	Author
2011		No embryonic or hatch rate effects, but some nutritional condition effects.	Franke
2012		Egg survival decreased	Bodenstein
2014		Larval growth decreased, organ damage	Frommel
2014 2015		Proteome and swimming not changed	Maneja
2018		Interactive effect of T and CO <sub>2</sub> on larvae, but T has greatest impacts.	Sswat

### Red muscle fibres



Atlantic herring larvae developed muscle fibers sooner under warmer conditions.

### White muscle fibres



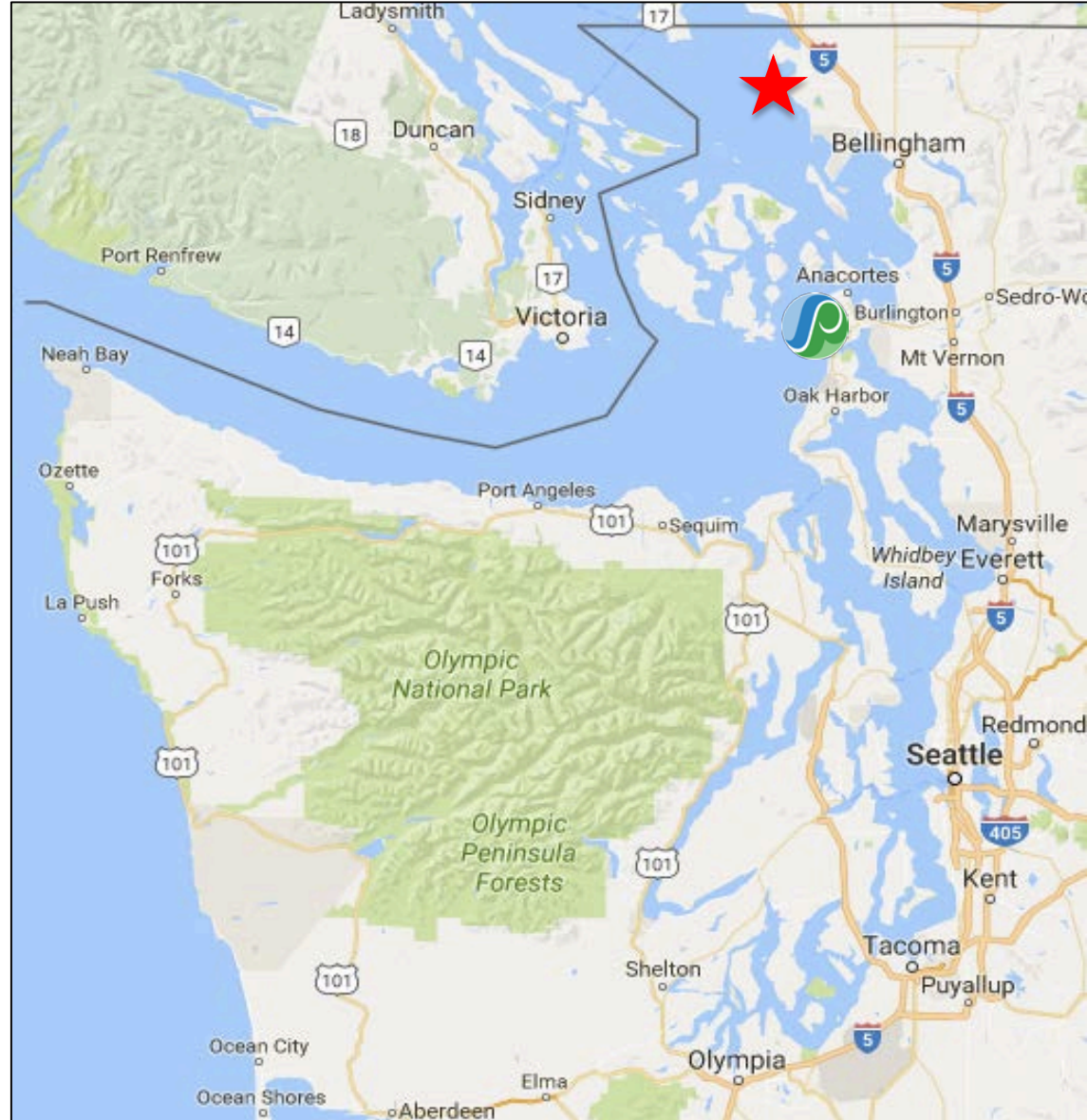
Accelerated growth can lead to physical deformities.





How are Pacific herring early life stages affected by elevated pCO<sub>2</sub> and temperature?

# Pacific herring were collected from Cherry Point, WA

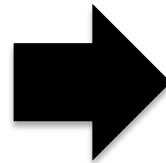
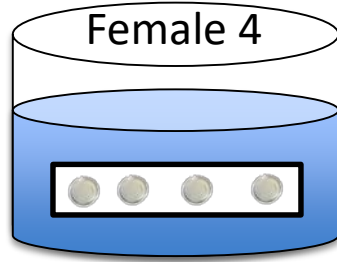
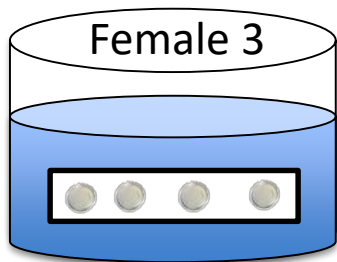
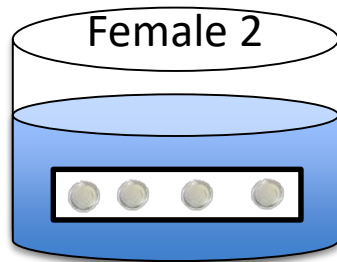
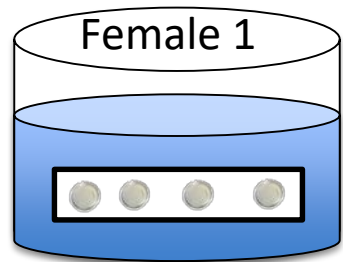
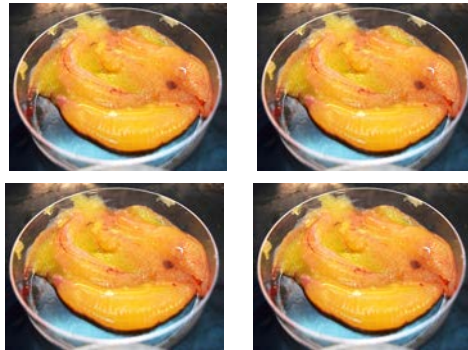


WDFW spawn survey: April 2017

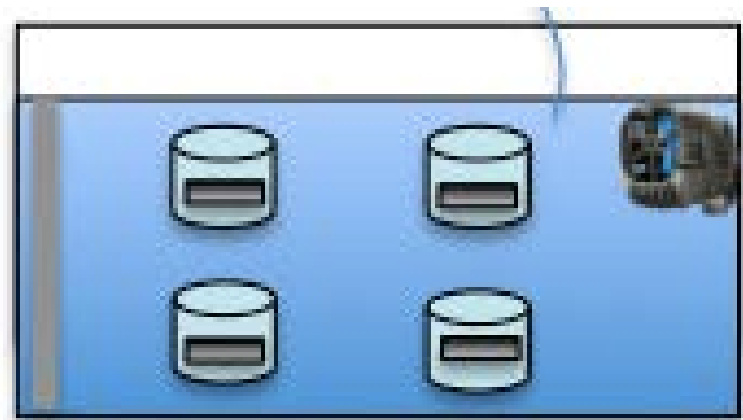
N = 4 males

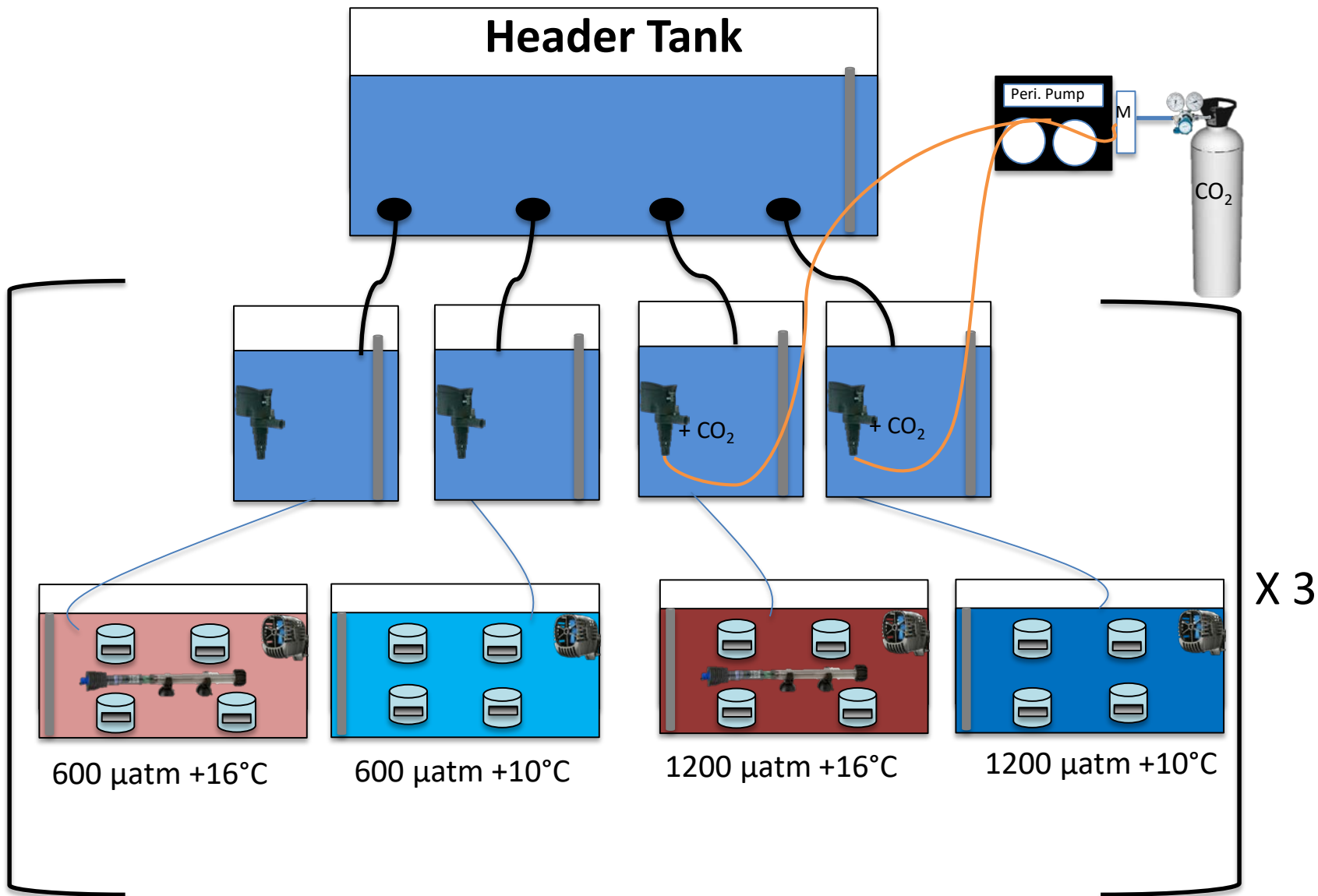


4 females



3 Basins per treatment  
(N = 12 slides per treatment )





## Fertilization Success



## Respiration

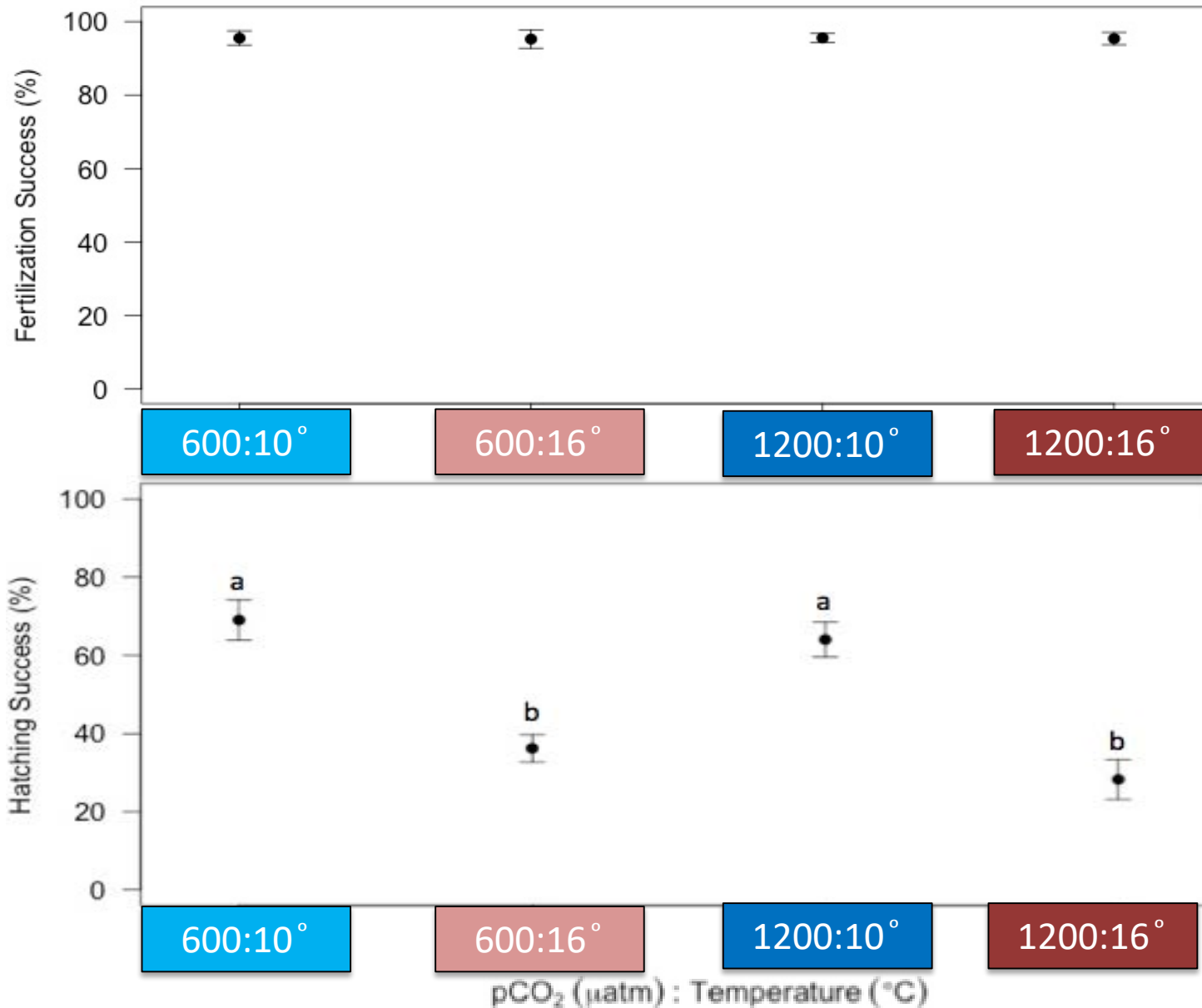


## Hatching Success

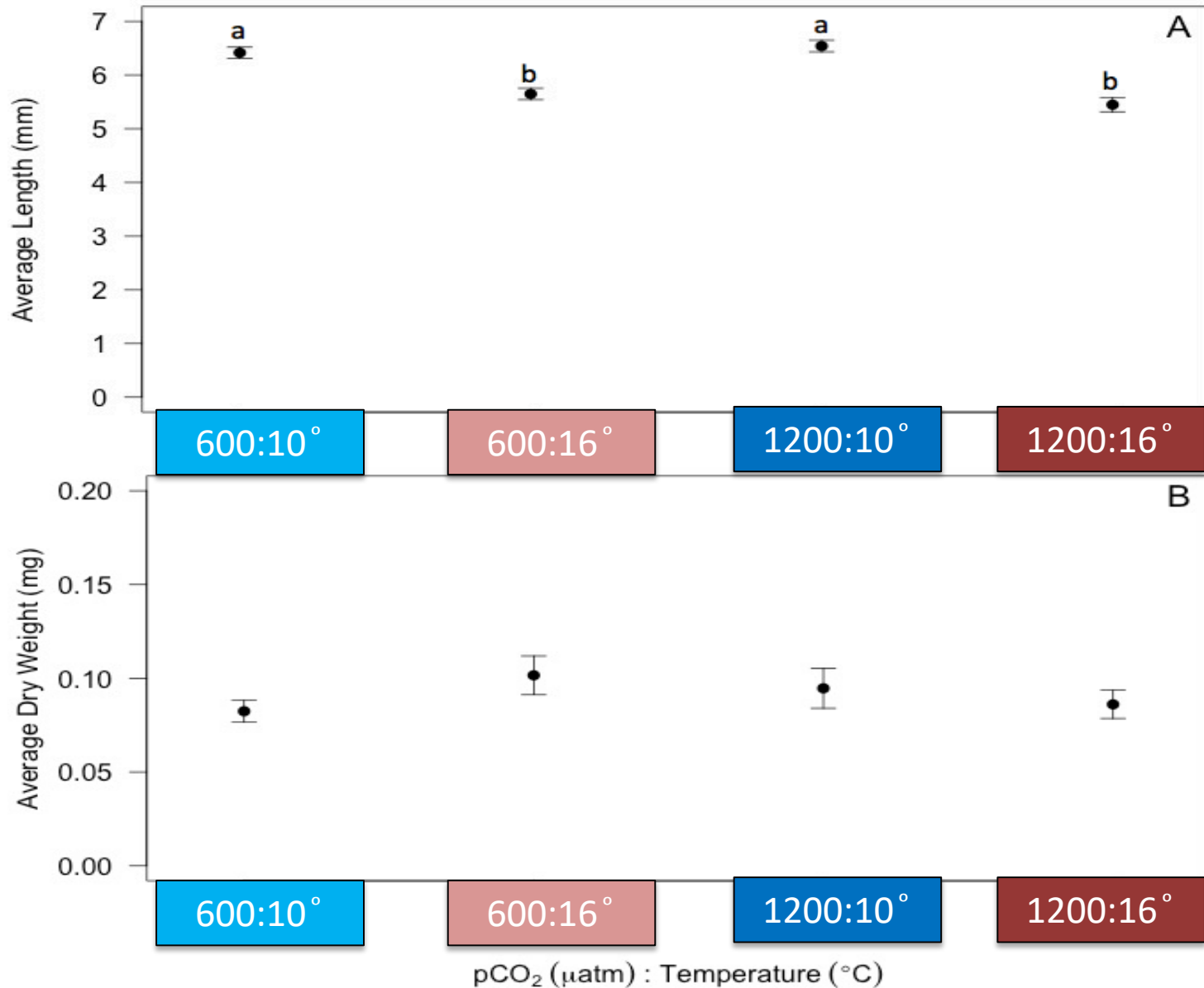
## Larval Weight, Length



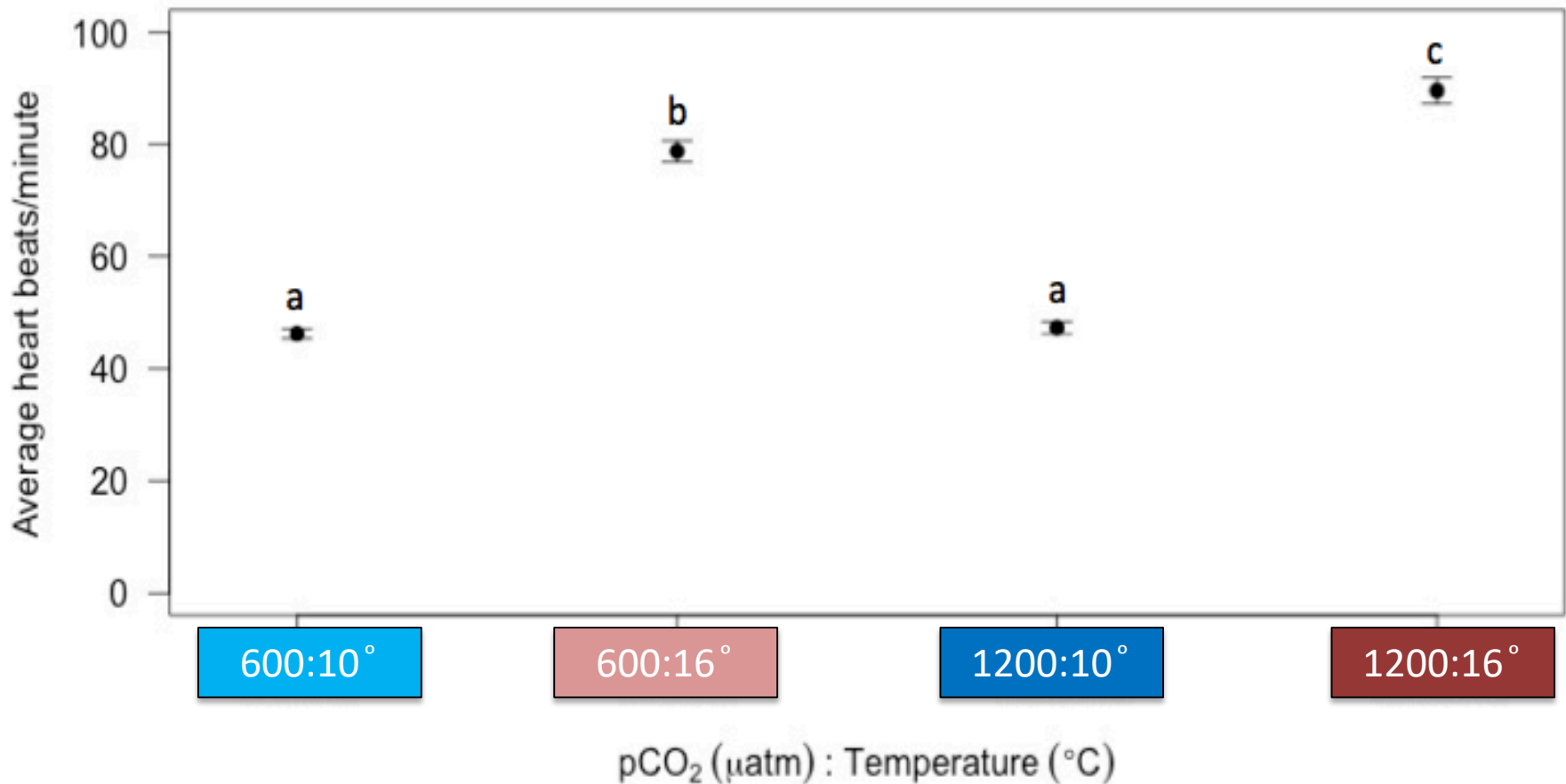
# Warmer temperature resulted in lower hatching success



# Warmer temperature resulted in decreased larval lengths



# Embryo respiration was significantly elevated under ocean acidification and ocean warming conditions

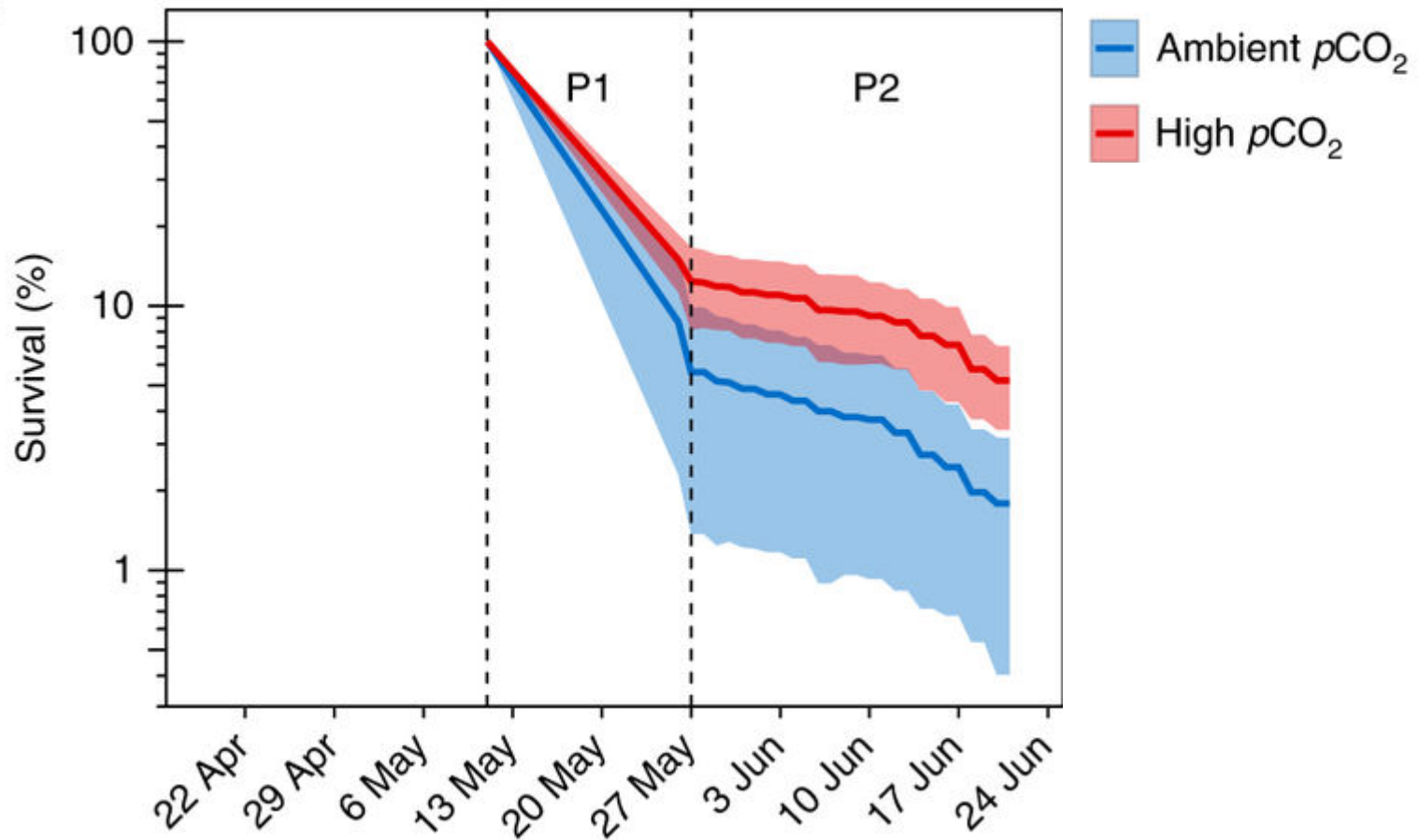




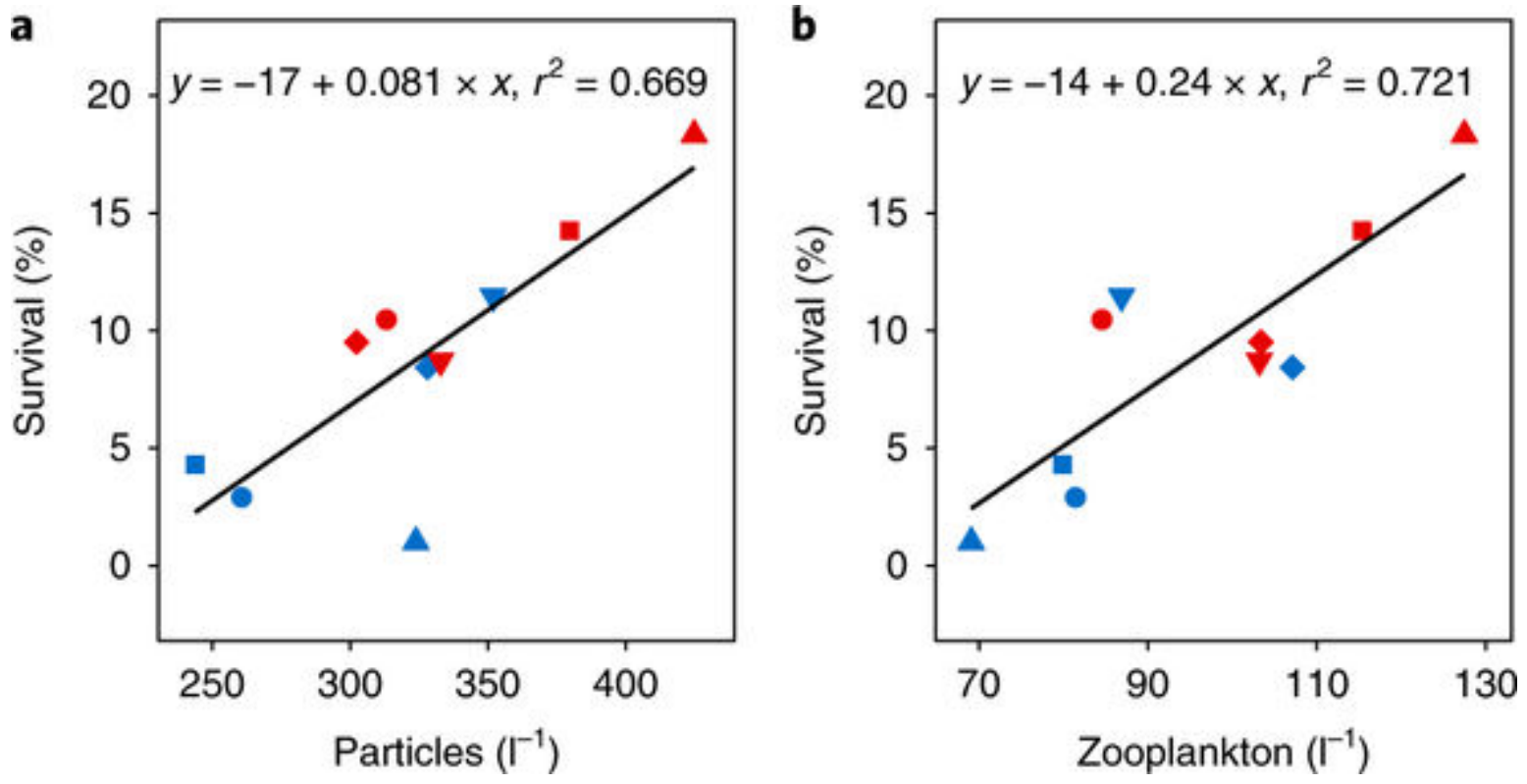
# Concluding Points and Future Directions

- Embryos primarily affected by increased temperature – interaction effect with CO<sub>2</sub> on respiration
- Ability to adapt to high temperature over time? Or will future warming surpass Pacific herring embryo thresholds?
- Respiration effects point to an energy use story.

# Atlantic herring may benefit from OA effects on food webs



# High CO<sub>2</sub> mesocosms had greater food abundance (copepodites and nauplii)



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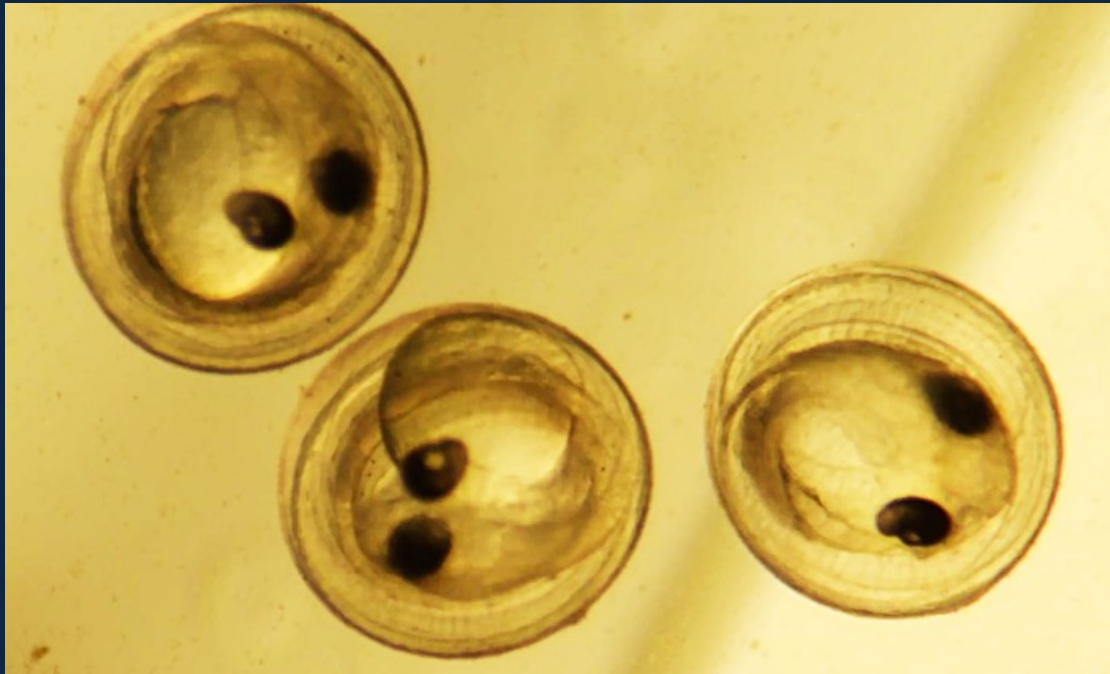
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# Interactive effects of ocean acidification (small) and ocean warming (large) on Pacific herring early life stages



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Table 2: Average in-situ seawater parameters (Orion Star™ A329 pH conductivity meter and discrete carbonate chemistry values (calculated using CO2SYS) during incubation. Treatments represented by control (600 $\mu$ atm) or high (1200  $\mu$ atm)  $p\text{CO}_2$  cross-factored with control (10°C) or high (16°C) temperature with mean  $\pm$  1 SD of (n) measurements.

In-Situ Measurements				Discrete Samples		
Treatment ( $\mu\text{atm} + ^\circ\text{C}$ )	<u>pH</u> (NBS Scale)	Temperature ( $^\circ\text{C}$ )	Salinity (PSU)	<u><math>p\text{CO}_2</math></u> ( $\mu\text{atm}$ )	DIC ( $\mu\text{mol kg}^{-1}$ )	<u>pH</u> (Total Scale)
600 +10	7.92 $\pm$ 0.03 (47)	10.4 $\pm$ 0.03 (47)	28.9 $\pm$ 0.05 (3)	572 $\pm$ 17 (18)	1946 $\pm$ 13 (18)	7.87 $\pm$ 0.01 (18)
600 +16	7.87 $\pm$ 0.03 (42)	16.1 $\pm$ 1.5 (42)	28.8 $\pm$ 0.15 (3)	666 $\pm$ 18 (18)	1942 $\pm$ 12 (18)	7.81 $\pm$ 0.01 (18)
1200 +10	7.60 $\pm$ 0.06 (48)	10.4 $\pm$ 0.03 (48)	28.3 $\pm$ 1.0 (3)	1034 $\pm$ 145 (17)	2004 $\pm$ 20 (17)	7.63 $\pm$ 0.06 (17)
1200 +16	7.58 $\pm$ 0.04 (42)	16.4 $\pm$ 1.0 (42)	27.3 $\pm$ 0.60 (3)	1221 $\pm$ 138 (17)	2000 $\pm$ 12 (17)	7.57 $\pm$ 0.05 (17)