

Long-term Bering Sea environmental variability revealed by a centennial-length biochronology of Pacific ocean perch *Sebastes alutus*

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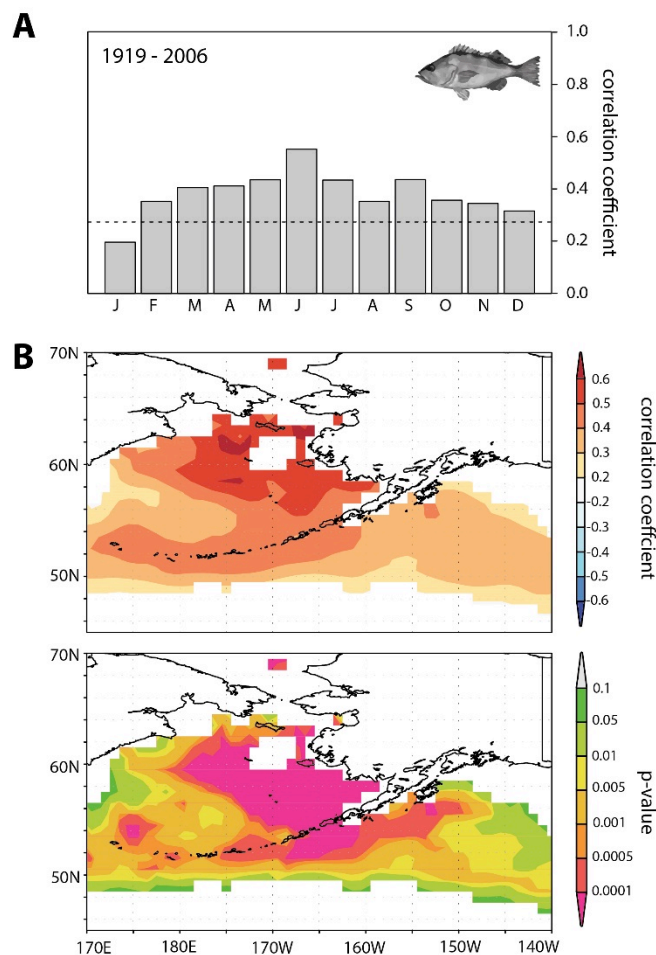


Fig. S1 | Correlations of Pacific ocean perch (POP) *Sebastes alutus* chronology with sea surface temperature (SST) data (Hadley ISST1) over the 1919–2006 interval. **(A)** Correlation coefficients of the POP chronology with monthly SST values in the area from 55–60°N, 170–175°W (region 1 in Fig. 1A). Dashed line indicates a 0.01 significance level. **(B)** Correlation coefficients and associated p-values for the relationship between the POP chronology and mean February–December SST.

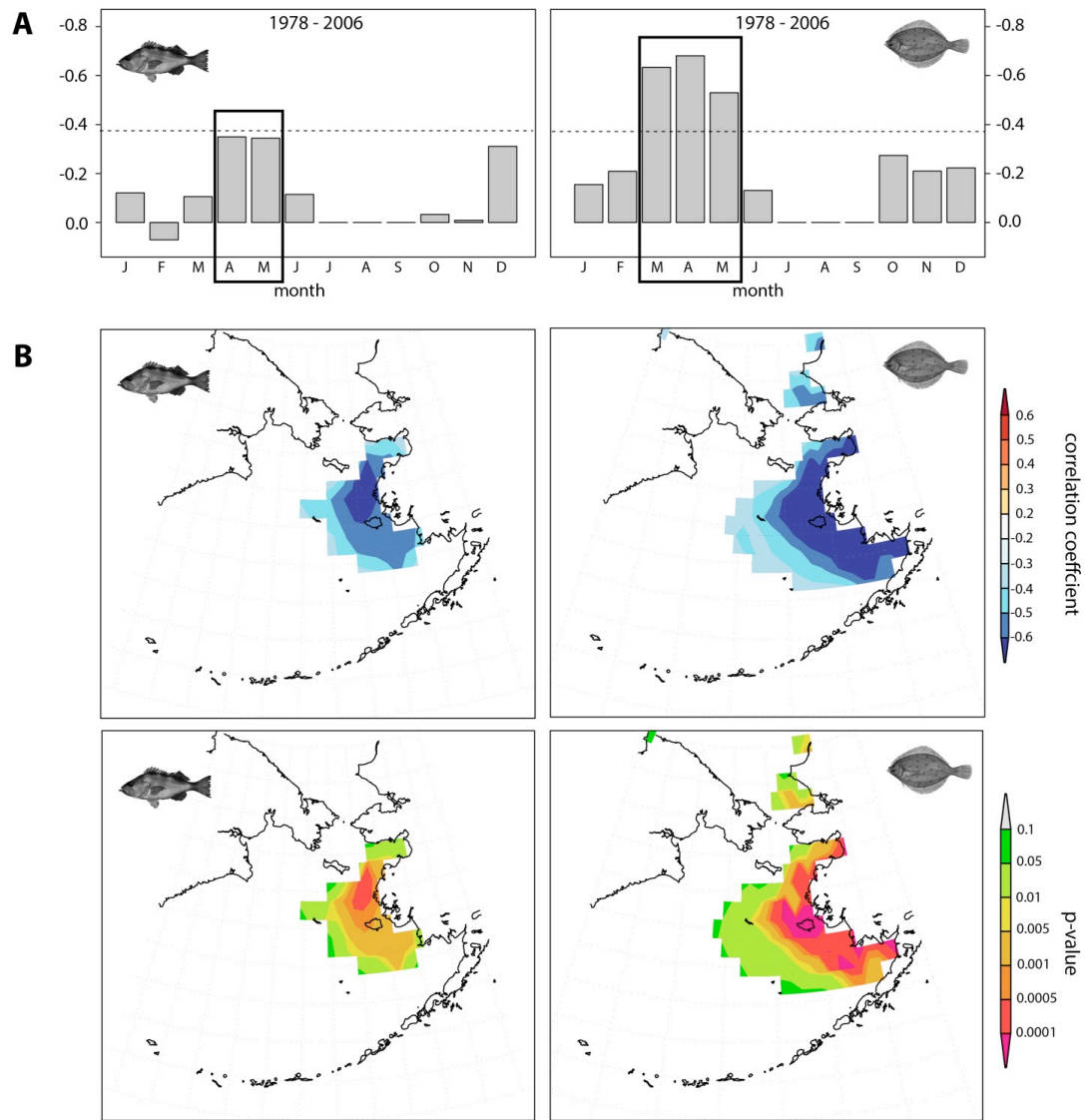


Fig. S2 | (A) Correlations of the Pacific ocean perch (POP) *Sebastes alutus* and yellowfin sole (YFS) *Limanda aspera* chronologies with sea ice concentration (NSIDC) in regions 1 and 2, respectively (see region boundaries in Fig. 1A). Dashed line indicates a 0.05 significance level. The rectangles indicate the months over which SST was averaged to generate correlation maps. **(B)** Correlation maps and associated p-values, as calculated for the 1978–2006 interval over which sea ice concentration data were available. The months of April and May were averaged for POP, while the months of March–April–May were averaged for YFS.

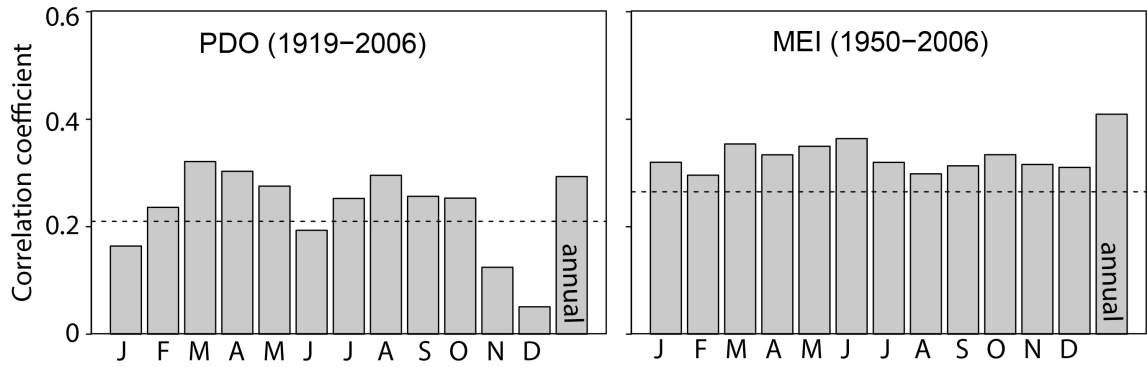


Fig. S3 | Correlation between the RCS detrended Pacific ocean perch (POP) *Sebastes alutus* chronology, monthly values of the Pacific Decadal Oscillation index (PDO), and monthly values of the Multivariate El Niño–Southern Oscillation Index (MEI). Dashed line indicates a 0.05 significance level; “annual” refers the average annual PDO index and MEI index.

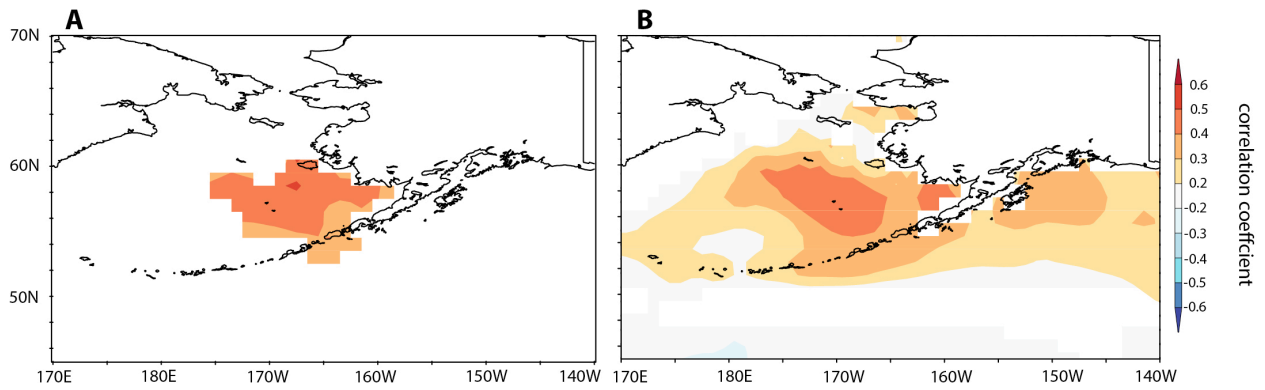


Fig. S4 | Correlation between mean January–December sea surface temperatures (HadISST1) and (A) the Pacific ocean perch (POP) *Sebastes alutus* chronology generated using samples collected in 1981 ($n = 9$; 1950–1980 interval), and (B) the chronology generated using the 2008–10 samples ($n=16$, 1950–2006 interval). Although the exact sample locations of the 1981 samples are not known, the correspondence between these correlation patterns suggests that overlapped with the sample locations of the 2008–10 samples.