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Foraging ecology of large pelagic fishes in the US South Atlantic: structured piscivory shapes trophic niche variation

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Table S1. All prey species recovered from the stomachs of blackfin tuna, dolphinfish, wahoo, and yellowfin tuna in U.S. South Atlantic waters expressed as percent frequency of occurrence (%FO), mean percent mass ($\overline{\%M}$), and mean percent number ($\overline{\%N}$). The occurrence of intestinal parasites is noted at the bottom of the table.

Prey taxon	Blackfin tuna			Dolphinfish			Wahoo			Yellowfin tuna		
	%FO	$\overline{\%M}$	$\overline{\%N}$	%FO	$\overline{\%M}$	$\overline{\%N}$	%FO	$\overline{\%M}$	$\overline{\%N}$	%FO	$\overline{\%M}$	$\overline{\%N}$
CRUSTACEANS	73.41	46.45	42.93	24.47	10.57	11.77	1.41	Trace	0.37	43.92	21.74	26.31
Amphipoda	15.36	4.36	3.89							43.92	10.59	9.70
Hyperiidae	1.50	0.46	0.33									
<i>Hyperia</i> spp.	1.50	0.46	0.33									
Decapoda	46.44	21.56	20.39	21.84	9.93	10.29	0.70	Trace	0.16	28.57	8.47	11.70
Aristeidae	1.87	0.33	0.31	0.26	0.01	0.08				5.29	1.81	1.73
<i>Plesiopenaeus armatus</i>	1.87	0.33	0.31	0.26	0.01	0.08				4.23	1.78	1.48
Pandalidae	0.37	0.08	0.08	0.26	0.18	0.08						
<i>Pandalus</i> spp.	0.37	0.08	0.08	0.26	0.18	0.08						
Portunidae	2.62	0.88	0.90	16.84	8.26	7.62				5.82	0.54	1.40
<i>Arenaeus cribarius</i>				0.26	0.07	0.08						
<i>Callinectes</i> spp.										0.53	0.17	0.13
<i>Ovalipes ocellatus</i>				0.26	0.26	0.25						
<i>Ovalipes stephensi</i>	0.37	0.13	0.19									

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	%FO	%M	%N	%FO	%M	%N	%FO	%M	%N	%FO	%M	%N
Unidentified fish	49.06	13.50	12.44	45.26	25.49	29.12	45.77	34.05	39.94	44.44	25.23	23.82
INSECTA				0.79	0.02	0.31				1.06	0.67	0.33
Odonata				0.26	0.02	0.12						
MOLLUSKS												
Cephalopoda	58.43	19.67	25.03	16.32	7.60	10.88	14.08	7.33	16.09	33.33	15.41	19.84
Octopoda	50.19	15.39	20.50	14.21	6.99	9.91	14.08	7.33	16.09	32.28	15.18	19.20
Alloposidae	11.99	2.20	3.01	5.79	2.37	3.43	4.23	2.76	3.46	4.23	1.97	4.28
<i>Haliphron atlanticus</i>				0.79	0.01	0.19						
Argonautidae				0.79	0.01	0.19						
<i>Argonauta</i> spp.	8.24	1.66	2.05	5.00	2.21	3.11	4.23	2.17	3.09	3.17	1.41	3.16
Octopodidae				8.24	1.66	2.05	5.00	2.21	3.11	4.23	2.17	3.09
<i>Octopus vulgaris</i>										2.65	1.10	2.99
Teuthida	43.82	11.67	15.93	7.89	4.06	5.69	11.27	4.05	11.84	27.51	13.11	14.63
Ancistrocheiridae				0.26	Trace	0.05						
<i>Ancistrocheirus lesueurii</i>				0.26	Trace	0.05						
Chiroteuthidae												
<i>Chiroteuthis veranyi</i>							0.70	0.18	0.16			
Cranchiidae	0.75	0.11	0.11	0.26	Trace	0.05						
<i>Cranchia Scabra</i>												
Enoplateuthidae	0.75	0.08	0.09							1.59	0.22	0.54
<i>Abralia</i> spp.	0.37	0.05	0.05									
<i>Abralia veranyi</i>	0.37	0.03	0.03							1.06	Trace	0.29
<i>Abraaliopsis</i> spp.										0.53	0.22	0.25
Histioteuthidae												
<i>Histioteuthis bonnellii</i>				0.53	0.26	0.25	0.70	0.18	0.16	0.53	0.55	0.50
Octopoteuthidae	1.50	0.33	0.33				0.53	0.26	0.25			
<i>Octopoteuthis</i> spp.							0.70	0.18	0.16			
Loliginidae	4.87	1.24	1.35	0.53	0.51	0.36	2.82	0.41	1.52			

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	%FO	%M	%N	%FO	%M	%N	%FO	%M	%N	%FO	%M	%N
<i>Doryteuthis pealeii</i>	4.87	1.24	1.35	0.53	0.51	0.36	2.82	0.41	1.52			
Ommastrephidae	16.85	5.25	5.70	4.21	2.70	2.79	5.63	2.22	3.30	19.58	9.78	7.84
<i>Illex illecebrosus</i>	16.48	4.95	5.37	3.16	1.90	2.00	3.52	1.08	2.41	17.99	9.63	7.30
<i>Ornithoteuthis antillarum</i>			0.17			0.30			0.89			0.29
	1.12	0.15		0.53	0.27		2.11	1.14		1.06	Trace	
Onychoteuthidae	2.25	0.40	0.43	0.26	Trace	0.12						
<i>Onychoteuthis banksii</i>	2.25	0.40	0.43	0.26	Trace	0.12						
<i>Onykia</i> spp.												
Sepiolidae	1.87	0.68	0.67									
<i>Rossia moelleri</i>	1.50	0.29	0.29									
<i>Rossia</i> spp.	0.37	0.39	0.38									
Gastropoda	13.48	4.18	4.43	2.11	0.61	0.97				1.59	0.22	0.64
Aeolidioidae										0.53	0.17	Trace
Glaucidae										0.53	0.17	Trace
<i>Glaucus atlanticus</i>										0.53	0.17	Trace
Cavolinioidae	6.74	2.13	2.33	0.79	0.03	0.25						
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<i>Cavolinia tridentata</i>				0.26	Trace	0.12						
<i>Cavolinia uncinata</i>	0.37	0.10	0.13									
<i>Diacria trispinosa</i>	1.12	0.46	0.45									
Pterotracheoidea	3.00	0.67	0.66	0.53	0.26	0.37				0.53	0.04	0.20
Atlantidae	3.00	0.67	0.66	0.53	0.26	0.37				0.53	0.04	0.20
Unidentified mollusks	0.37	0.10	0.09									
Parasite	13.11			2.63			94.04			18.42		
Trematoda	12.73			2.63			93.62			17.89		
Plagiorchiidae	12.73			2.63			93.62			17.89		
Hirudinellidae	12.73			2.63			93.62			17.89		
<i>Hirudinella ventricosa</i>	12.73			2.63			93.62			17.89		
Unclassified	0.37						0.85			0.53		

Table S2. Results from quantile regression models fit to relative prey size - predator body size relationships (minimum relative prey size = 5th/10th quantile, median relative prey size = 50th quantile, maximum relative prey size = 90th/95th quantile). Parameter estimates (β_0 and β_1) are presented with bootstrapped estimates of standard error (SE). P = the significance level for the regression coefficient (β_1).

Predator species	Quantile	β_0 (SE)	β_1 (SE)	p
Blackfin tuna (n = 742)				
	5 th	-0.012 (0.005)	0.0004 (0.0001)	<0.01
	50 th	-0.039 (0.015)	0.0013 (0.0002)	<0.01
	95 th	0.036 (0.074)	0.0034 (0.0010)	<0.01
Dolphinfish (n = 873)				
	5 th	0.020 (0.008)	0.0000 (0.0001)	1.00
	50 th	0.094 (0.006)	-0.0004 (0.0001)	<0.01
	95 th	0.075 (0.031)	0.0020 (0.0003)	<0.01
Wahoo (n = 88)				
	10 th	0.094 (0.032)	-0.0005 (0.0003)	0.08
	50 th	-0.040 (0.093)	0.0012 (0.0008)	0.12
	90 th	-0.229 (0.157)	0.0035 (0.0013)	<0.01
Yellowfin tuna (n = 450)				
	5 th	0.020 (0.006)	0.0000 (0.0001)	1.00
	50 th	0.020 (0.004)	0.0003 (0.0001)	<0.01
	95 th	0.482 (0.164)	-0.0018 (0.0015)	0.23