

Table S2. Statistics of the piecewise regression analysis between sprat abundance and zooplankton dynamics

| Dependent variable | Break-point | Expl. Var. | Parameters regression 1 | | | | Parameters regression 2 | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|------------|-------------------------|----------|-------|---------|-------------------------|----------|-------|----------|
| | | | a | st. err. | b | st.err. | a | st. err. | b | st. err. |
| Zooplankton biomass (n=29) | 17.70 | 82.26% | 385.21 | 93.23 | -4.42 | 9.74 | 446.23 | 73.91 | -6.29 | 2.51 |
| % cladocerans (n=29) | 17.70 | 81.16% | 44.85 | 16.98 | 0.81 | 1.77 | 76.17 | 21.25 | -1.60 | 0.72 |
| % old copepod stages (n=29) | 17.70 | 79.24% | 47.28 | 9.63 | 0.19 | 1.01 | 65.61 | 9.09 | -0.54 | 0.31 |
| % old copepod stages 0-50m (n=25) | 16.74 | 85.46% | 56.21 | 9.71 | 0.44 | 1.01 | 91.24 | 13.50 | -1.25 | 0.46 |
| PC1 zooplankton (n= 29) | 17.69 | 83.91% | 0.33 | 0.82 | 0.00 | 0.09 | 1.51 | 0.65 | -0.07 | 0.02 |

Break-point values, explained variance of the models, and the parameters of the two linear regressions separated by the models are shown. The independent variable is sprat abundance (10^{10} individuals).