## **Supporting Information**

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**Fig. S1.** Isotopic profiles of POM (filled circles) of zooplankton (open symbols) in Paul (*Left*) and Crampton (*Right*) lakes. In Paul L., only *Daphnia* (open circles) is shown because *Daphnia* and *Holopedium* were indistinguishable at this scale. In Crampton L., *Holopedium* (open circles) and *Leptodiaptomus* ( $\bigtriangledown$ ) are both shown. Error bars at each represent the temporal SD of samples taken four times during 2009. In Paul L., both zooplankton taxa were measured at all depths on all four dates. In Crampton L., we did not measure both taxa at all depths or on all dates because in some cases, taxa were too rare to obtain sufficient mass for isotope analyses. Thus, samples without SD are from single measures. The approximate position of terrestrial isotope values is shown for each isotope; the approximate value for the  $\delta^2$ H of phytoplankton is shown in *Upper*.



**Fig. S2.** Results of fitting dietary water in IsoSource. *Upper* shows the distributions of dietary water, fitted by IsoSource in models that included all three isotopes (C, N, and H) and four end members as possible sources (terrestrial, surface phytoplankton, deep phytoplankton, and benthic algae). *Lower* shows the distribution of the mean values of dietary water, fitted by IsoSource, for all of the three isotope models shown in Fig. 3.

## Table S1. Reported values of allochthony for zooplankton in freshwater systems

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Reference	φT zooplankton	System	Approach	Support
Qualitative estimates				
del Giorgio and France (1)	Allochthony low	Canadian lakes	Ambient <sup>13</sup> C	No
Sobczak et al. (2)	Allochthony low	San Joaquin River	Mass balance	No
Karlsson et al. (3)	Allochthony high for Cladocerans	15 subarctic lakes	Ambient <sup>15</sup> N	Yes
Perga et al. (4)	Allochthony high for copepods; for <i>Daphnia</i> low	Lake Annecy, France	Fatty acid biomarkers	Yes
Quantitative estimates				
Meili et al. (5)	≈40% cladocerans 25 ± 20% Eudiaptomus	Humic Lake, Sweden	Ambient <sup>13</sup> C	Yes
Jones et al. (6)	$\approx$ 50%, copepods, cladocerans.	Loch Ness, Scotland	Ambient <sup>13</sup> C, <sup>15</sup> N	Yes
Cole et al. (7, 8)	<10%	Two small Wisconsin lakes- experimentally fertilized	Whole lake <sup>13</sup> C addition	No
Karlsson et al. (9)	9–77%; mean of 53%	15 subarctic lakes	Ambient <sup>13</sup> C with model	Yes
Carpenter et al. (10)	22–73% (across lakes and 3 models)	3 humic lakes Wisconsin, not fertilized	"Whole" lake <sup>13</sup> C addition	Yes
Matthews and Mazumder (11)	Holopedium 40–50%; Leptodiaptomus 15–40%; Epsichura 50–60%	Council L., BC, Canada.	Ambient <sup>13</sup> C; <sup>15</sup> N and experiments	Yes
Pace et al. (12)	2% Leptodiaptomus; 30% Holopedium	30-ha clear water Wisconsin lake	Whole lake <sup>13</sup> C addition and model	Yes
Taipale et al. (13)	29–53%	Shallow Finnish lake	Whole lake <sup>13</sup> C addition and model	Yes
Mohammed and Taylor (14)	9–23%	27 Ontario lakes	Ambient <sup>13</sup> C and regression model	Yes
Berggren et al. (15)	23% (7–45% depending on model run)	L. Ortrasket, large, boreal lake (7.3 km <sup>2</sup> )	Microbial model	Yes
Caraco et al. (16)	21–57%	Hudson River	Ambient <sup>14</sup> C with <sup>2</sup> H, <sup>13</sup> C and <sup>15</sup> N	Yes

The table is divided into two parts: Qualitative estimates and Quantitative estimates, and then ordered chronologically. "Qualitative" means that the author provided some written assessment of allochthony as large or small but did not report a numerical value. "Support" means that either the qualitative or quantitative results of the study support (Yes) or do not support (No) the hypothesis that zooplankton are subsidized by terrestrial organic matter.

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## Table S2. Limnologic conditions in Paul and Crampton Lakes, Vilas County, WI

Measurement	Paul Lake	Crampton Lake	
Lake area, ha	1.7	25.7	
Watershed area, ha	7.9	52.8	
Color (A440)	1.5	0.6	
Depth to 1% light, m	4.8	8	
DOC (mg of C liter <sup>-1</sup> ; upper mixed layer)	4.3	3.7	
POC (mg of C liter <sup>-1</sup> ; upper mixed layer)	0.49	0.63	
Mean depth, m	3.7	4.9	
Z <sub>mix</sub>	≈4	≈7	
Z <sub>oxic</sub>	≈5	Whole water column	

Color is a measure of light absorption at 400 nM. DOC, dissolved organic C; POC, particulate organic C.  $Z_{mix}$  is the depth of the upper mixed layer;  $Z_{oxic}$  is the depth at which anoxic water starts. Paul Lake is entirely feed by ground water and Crampton mostly so, except for an intermittent stream. The watersheds of both lakes are entirely forested and undeveloped; watershed areas from Cardille et al. (1). For both lakes, the terrestrial C can enter these lakes as DOC in groundwater, as Aeolian-transported POC, and POC can be formed in the lake from DOC by flocculation.

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Table S3.	Isotopic signatures of	of terrestrial and a	aquatic primarv	producers used	as end mei	mbers in the	e mixina models

Туре	Lake	δ <sup>13</sup> C (SD) <i>n</i>	δ <sup>15</sup> N (SD) <i>n</i>	δ <sup>2</sup> Η (SD) <i>n</i>	Method	Symbol
Terrestrial vegetation	Both	–29.2 (1.5) 81	-4.6 (0.6) 81	–129.5 (15.2) 81	Direct measurement (8 dominant tree species) these watersheds	Т
Benthic algae	Paul	–28.4 (4.6) 6	+2.4 (4.7) 6	-180.0 (18.0) 6	Direct measurement on tiles colonized with benthic algae in situ	L
Benthic algae	Crampton	–29.4 (3.1) 6	–0.2 (1.5) 6	–186 (15.2) 6	As with Paul	L
Phytoplankton	Paul	–31.3 (2.2) 12	+1.8 (1.7) 12	–198 (8.3) 12	Dilution regrowth for $\delta^2$ H, algebra for $\delta^{13}$ C and $\delta^{15}$ N on POM, ( <i>Methods</i> )	Р
Phytoplankton	Crampton	-28.8 (0.8) 12	+0.08 (2.3) 12	–195 (8.2) 12	As with Paul	Р
Deep Phytoplankton	Paul	-32.3 (2.4) 4	+3.5 (2.9) 4	–212 (8.3) 4	Use $\epsilon_H$ from phytoplankton and water at depth, algebra with POM for C and N	D
Deep phytoplankton	Crampton	–31.3 (0.7) 4	1.1 (1.7) 4	-200 (8.2) 4	As with Paul	D
Methane-oxidizing bacteria	Paul	-60	1.8	-200	Speculative. Based on 41	$CH_4$
Methane-oxidizing bacteria	Crampton	-60	0.08	-200	Speculative. Based on 41	$CH_4$

The terrestrial end members represent averages of leaves of the dominant trees in these watersheds and were measured directly. Benthic algal isotopes were obtained by deploying clean tiles for 1–2 wk in each lake and sampling the algae that grew there and measured directly. Phytoplankton isotopes were obtained by a unique method. Using dilution regrowth experiments in each lake, we obtained the  $\delta^2$ H of phytoplankton. The contrast between the  $\delta^2$ H of phytoplankton and the water it grew in ( $\epsilon_{H,i}$ ) was large, and nearly identical (between 150 and 160 del units) between the lakes and in other systems so far studied (1–4). Unlike the case for C, there is no known physiological effect on  $\epsilon_H$  of bulk organic matter from either growth rate or cell size. Thus, it is possible to predict the  $\delta^2$ H of phytoplankton from that of water in principal under any growth conditions. Using the measured  $\delta^2$ H of water at each depth and time, we calculated the  $\delta^2$ H of phytoplankton by using the mean  $\epsilon_H$ . We assume that POM is a mixture of phytoplankton and terrestrial material. Because we have measured values of the  $\delta^2$ H,  $\delta^{13}$ C, and  $\delta^{15}$ N of terrestrial material, we can solve algebraically for the <sup>13</sup>C and <sup>15</sup>N of phytoplankton. Solving Eq. 1 for  $\phi_T$  gives us the fraction of POM that is terrestrial. We can then solve Eq. 2 for the  $\delta^{13}$ C (or a similar equation for  $\delta^{15}$ N) of phytoplankton. Eq. 1:  $\delta^2$ H<sub>POM</sub> =  $\phi_T \times \delta^2$ H<sub>T</sub> + (1 –  $\phi_T$ )  $\delta^2$ H<sub>P</sub> (all are knowns except  $\delta^{13}$ C<sub>P</sub>), where the subscripts "POM" and "P" denote particulate organic matter and phytoplankton, respectively, and  $\phi_T$  is the fraction of POM that is terrestrial.

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