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Kryptolebias marmoratus
as a model fish for breeding



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The Self-fertilizing Mangrove Killifish *Kryptolebias marmoratus* as a Model Fish for Aquacultural Study

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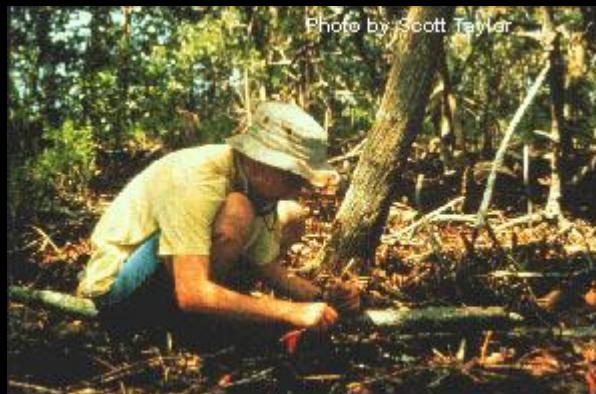
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Mangrove killifish (*Kryptolebias marmoratus* Poey)

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- distribute mangrove swamps from Florida to Brazil
- about 5 years lifespan, reaching 3-5 cm
- about 3 months to mature (short generation time)
- Euryhaline (0-60 ppt)
- 18-35(>) °C
- Tolerant to ammonia



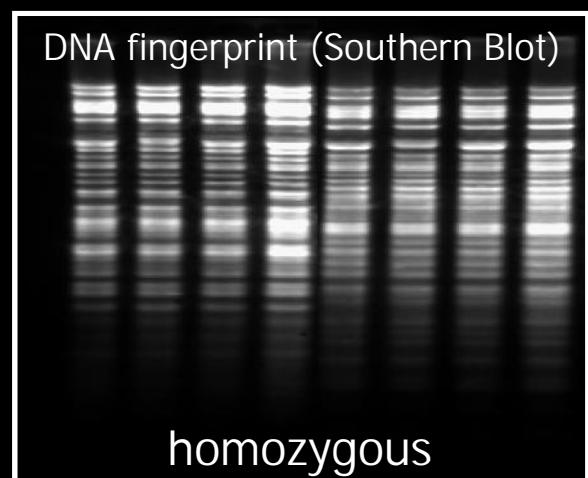
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"Fish in a log!"

Kryptolebias marmoratus

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- Functional hermaphrodite
- Self-fertilization

(Harrington 1961 Science)



➤ Test animal for various aspects in the marine teleosts

Lee et al. (2008) J Fish Biol

Advantage

- Easy to keep
- Easy to handle
- Track individual record



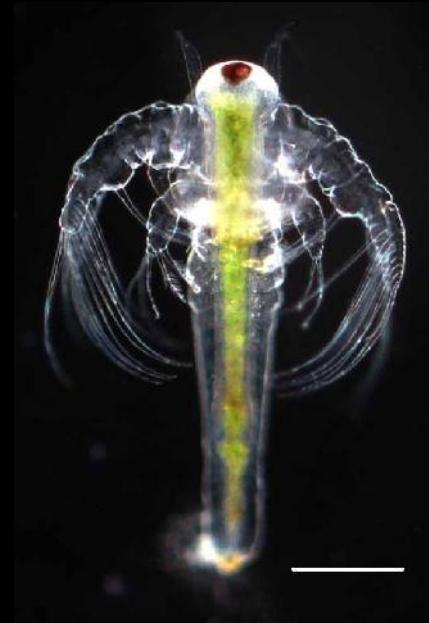
newly hatched larva
(4.4 mm SL)

1. Test for new live feed

- Establish clonal lineage



2. Model for breeding

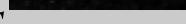


1. Testing new live feed



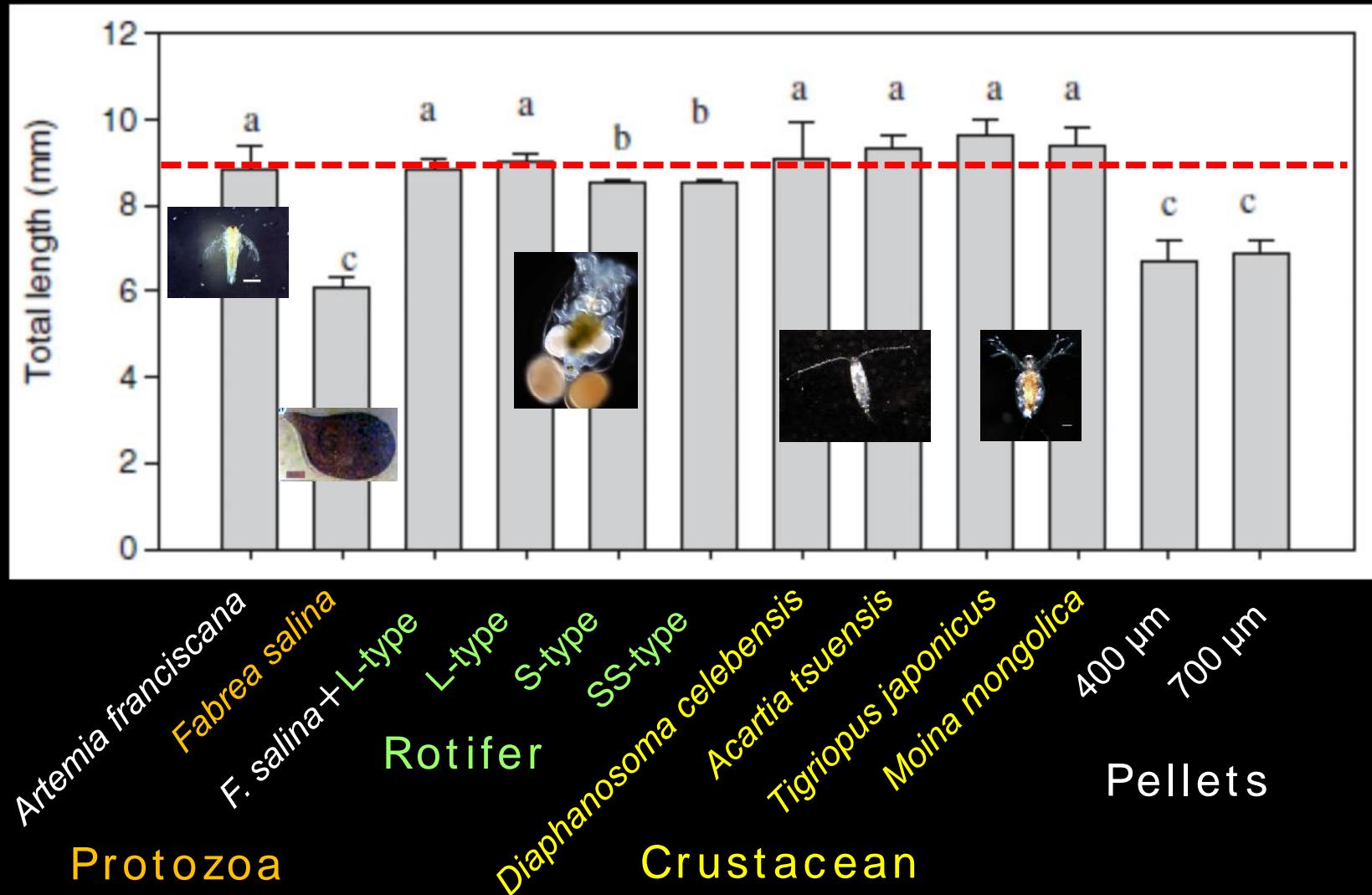
Feeding behavior of newly hatched larva (day 0) to various food items (1 hr)

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	Food item		Feeding success (%)	Ingestion (/hr)
Artemia	<i>A. franciscana</i>		100	2.6±0.5
Protozoa	<i>Fabrea salina</i>		8.6±3.7	2.4±1.4
Rotifer	L-type		100	37.6±11.5
	S-type		100	21.8±4.8
	SS-type		100	42.8±22.5
Copepod	<i>Acartia tsuensis</i>		35.6±4.9	14.8±5.8
	<i>Tigriopus japonicus</i>		2.2±5.0	0.2±0.4
Cladoceran	<i>Diaphanosoma celebensis</i>		35.3±6.8	4.4±0.5
	<i>Moina mongolica</i>		3.5±4.8	0.8±1.1
Pellet	400 and 700 µm		0	0

Growth (10 days)

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Pandey et al. (2008) Env. Biol. Fish.

Nutrition (HUFA: mg/100 g·DW)

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Diet	EPA	DHA
<i>Acartia tsuensis</i>	14.2	26.1
<i>Artemia franciscana</i>	17.3	0
DHA-enriched Artemia	71.4	57.9

2. Test animal for breeding study

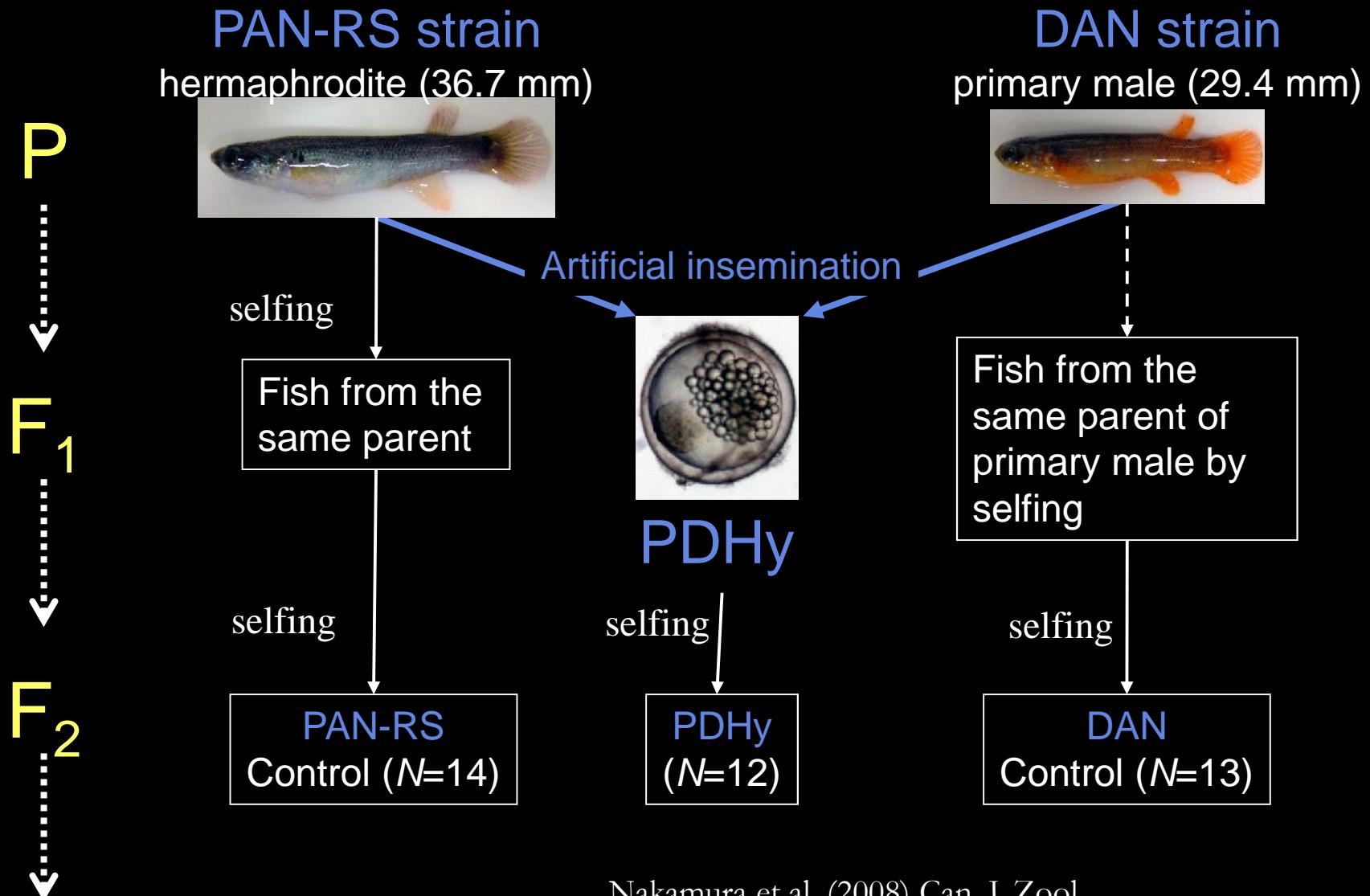
Clonal lineage	PAN-RS	DAN
country	Panama	Belize
growth	<i>high</i>	<i>low</i>
aggression	<i>high</i>	<i>low</i>
GH mRNA	<i>high</i>	<i>low</i>
fecundity	<i>high</i>	<i>low</i>

Grageda et al . (2005) Env. Biol. Fish.

Rhee et al. (2013) Comp Biochem. Physiol. B

Production of hybrid

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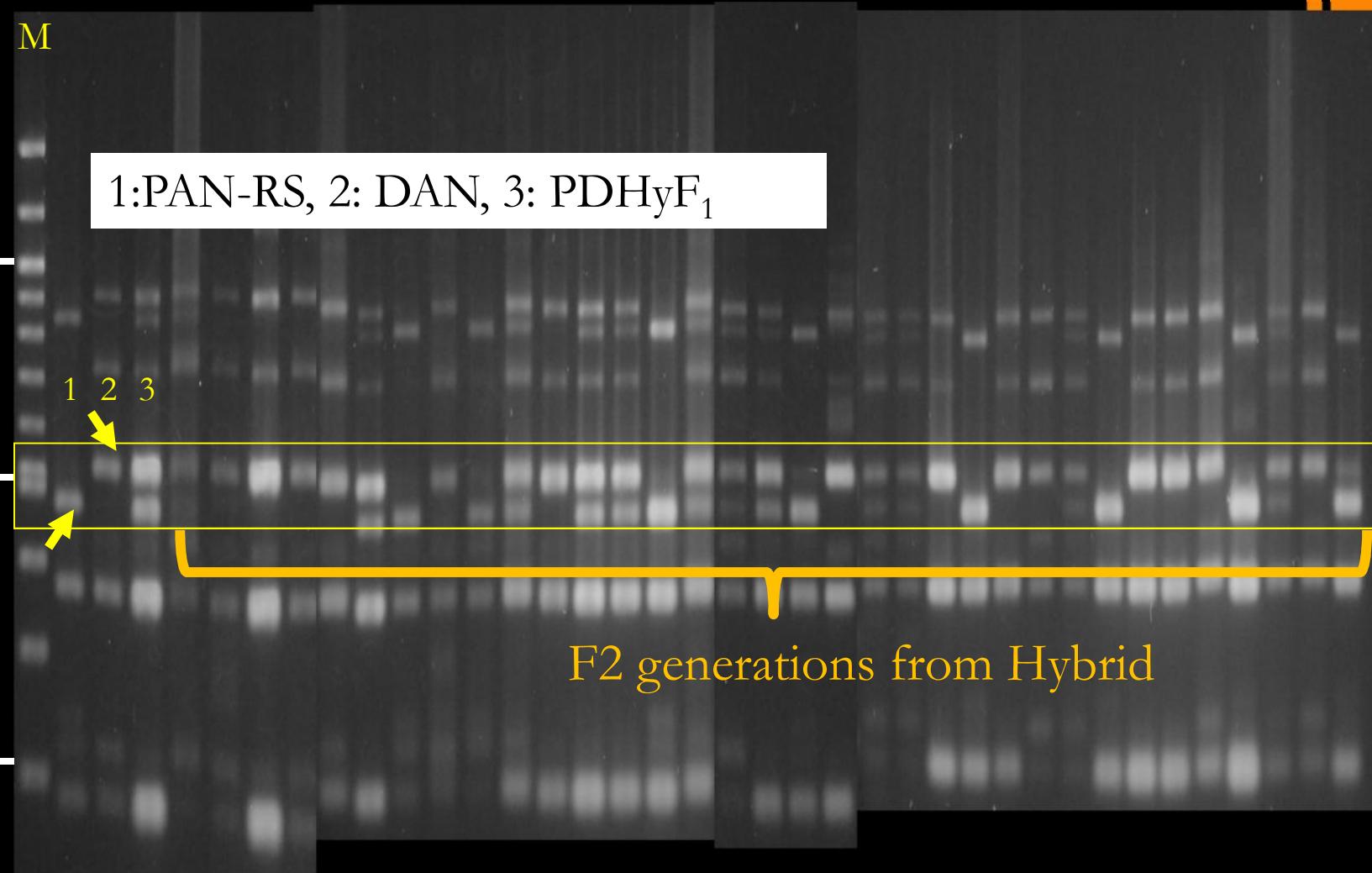


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CAPS marker (*Dmrt* I)

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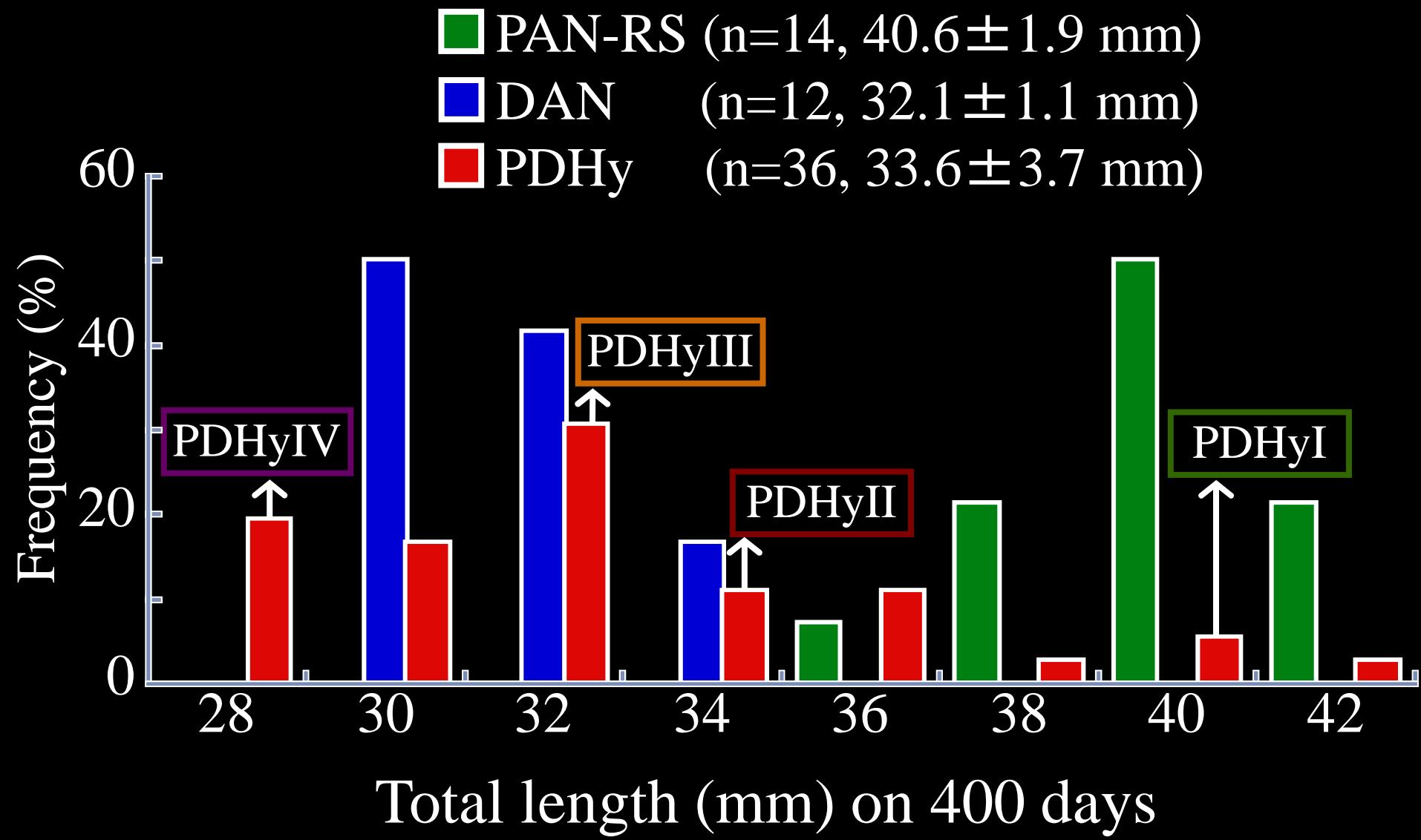
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Growth of F₂

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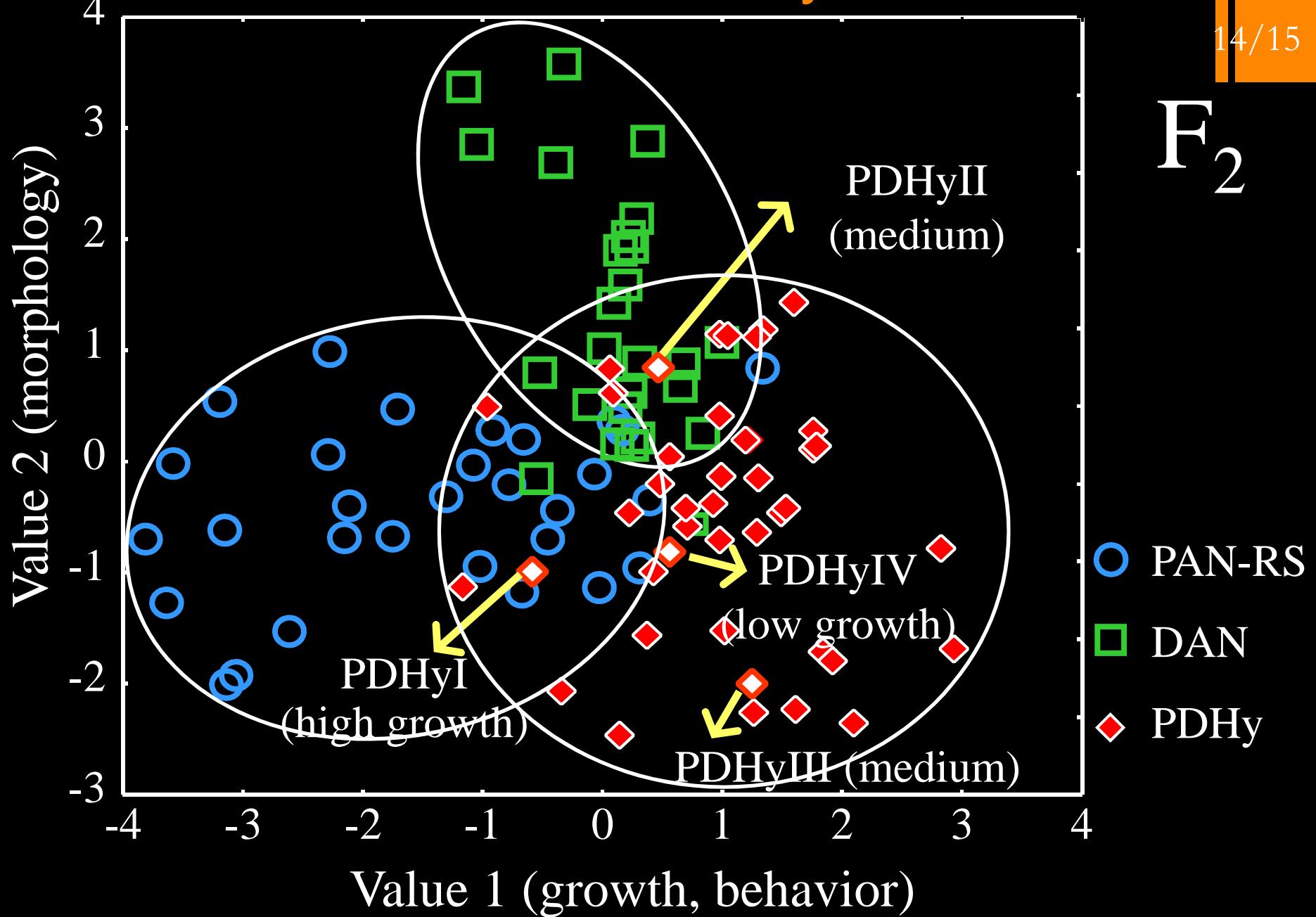
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canonical discriminant analysis

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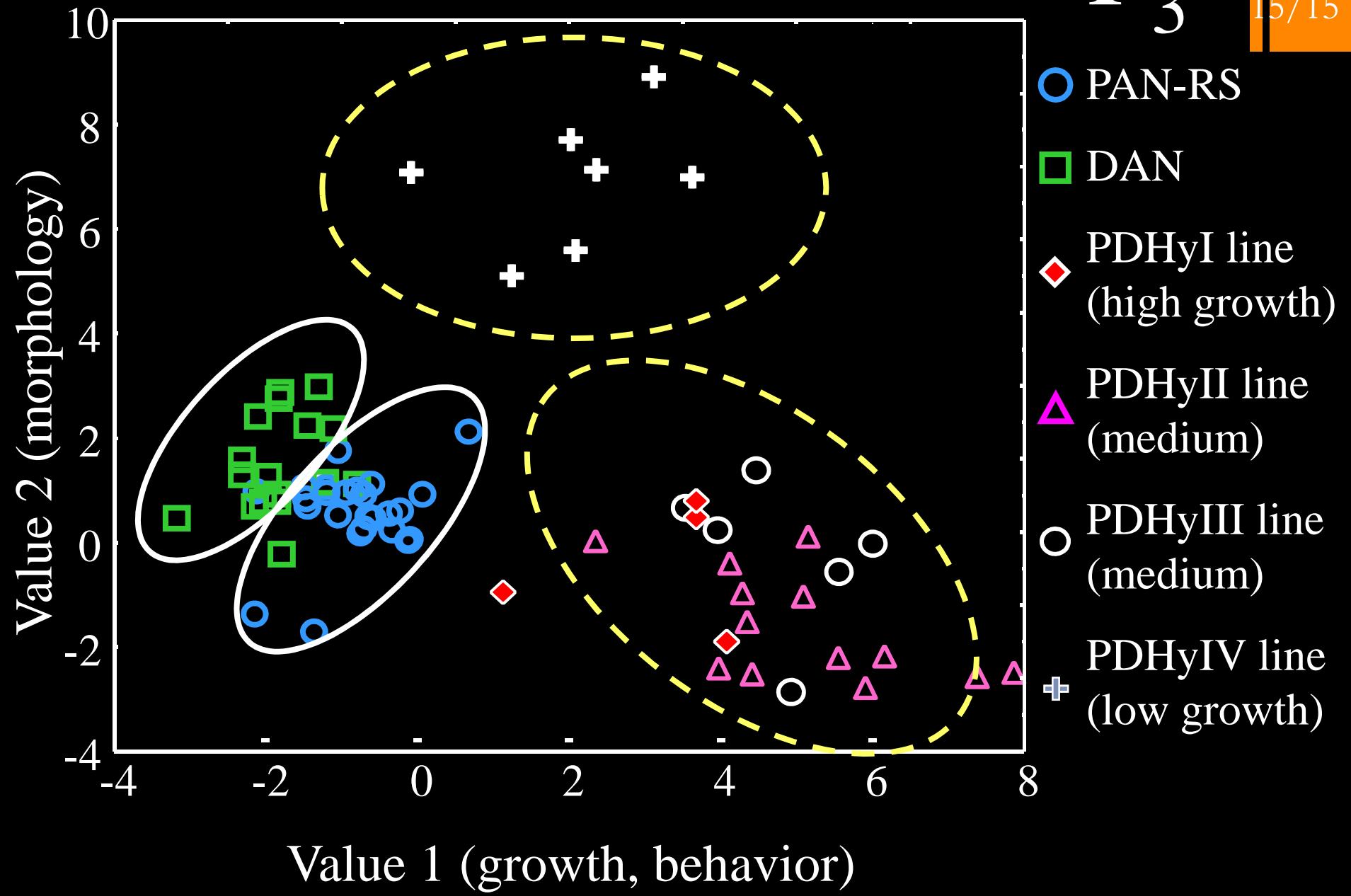
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canonical discriminant analysis

F₃

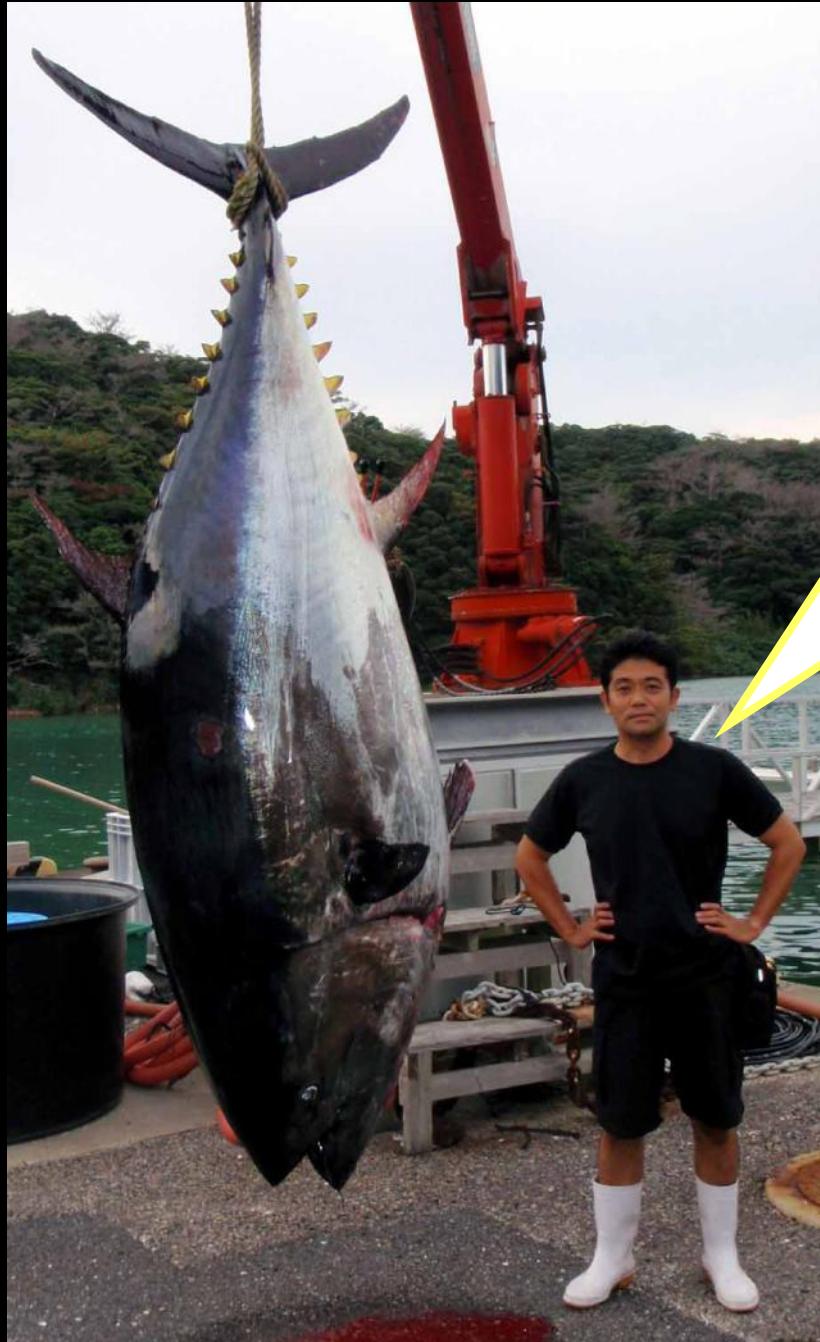
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Use of Mangrove killifish *Kryptolebias marmoratus*

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- Trace individual records
 - Growth, behavior, nutritional study
- Establishment of clonal lineage (homozygote)
 - Different traits
 - Growth
 - Agonistic interactions
- Hybrid lineage (recombinant inbred strain)
 - Useful traits for aquaculture
 - Genetic markers



Thank
you!

Bluefin tuna
2.7 m, 367 kg