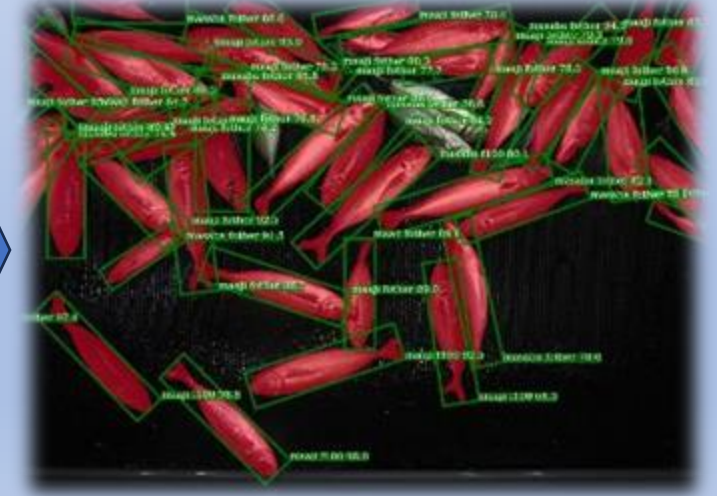


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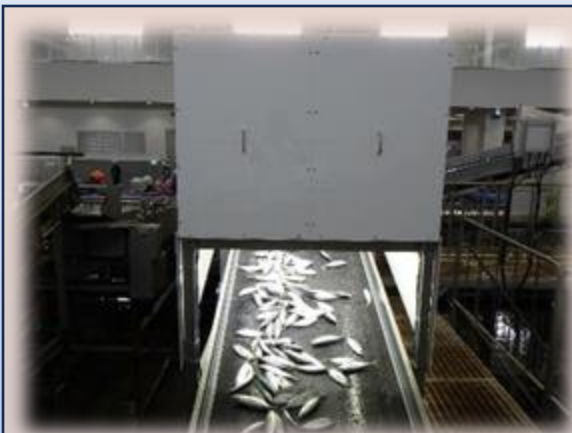
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# A fish image analysis system using deep learning (FIAS-Deep)

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- This subsystem that acquires images from cameras installed on such as conveyors in a port.



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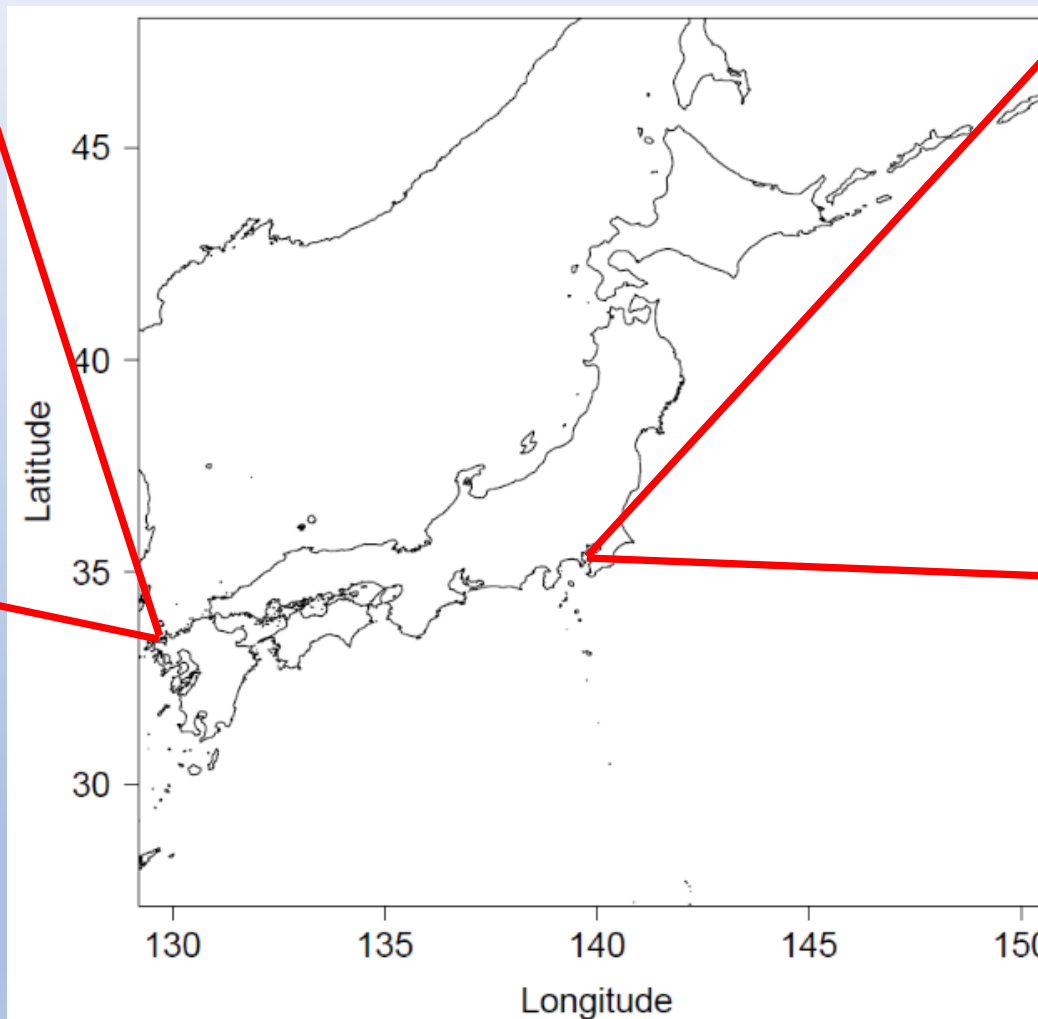
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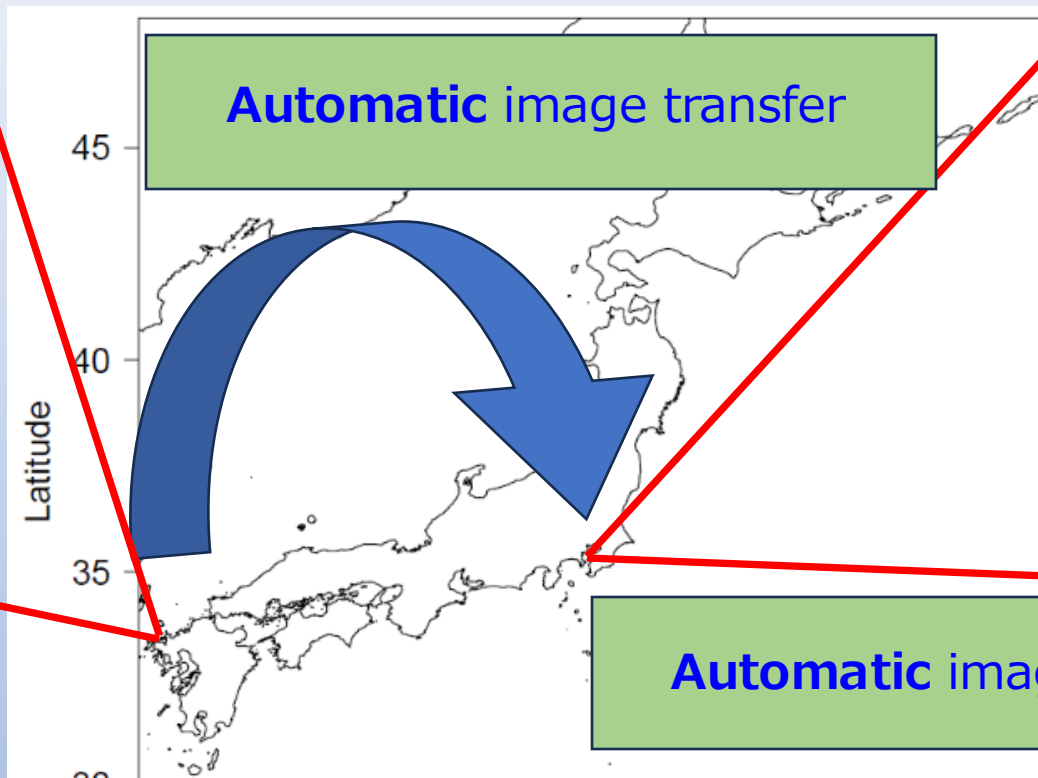


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Online transition will be completed during fiscal year 2024, and the system will be running continuously, 24 hours a day, every day of the year.



# Purpose of this study

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## Example images



November 9, 2023



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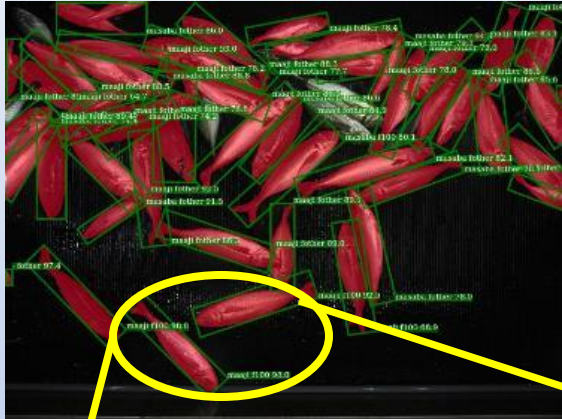
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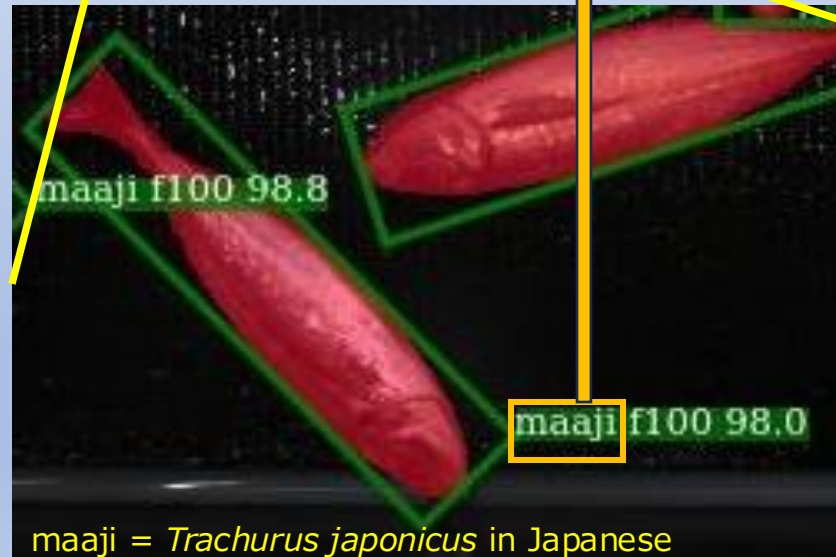
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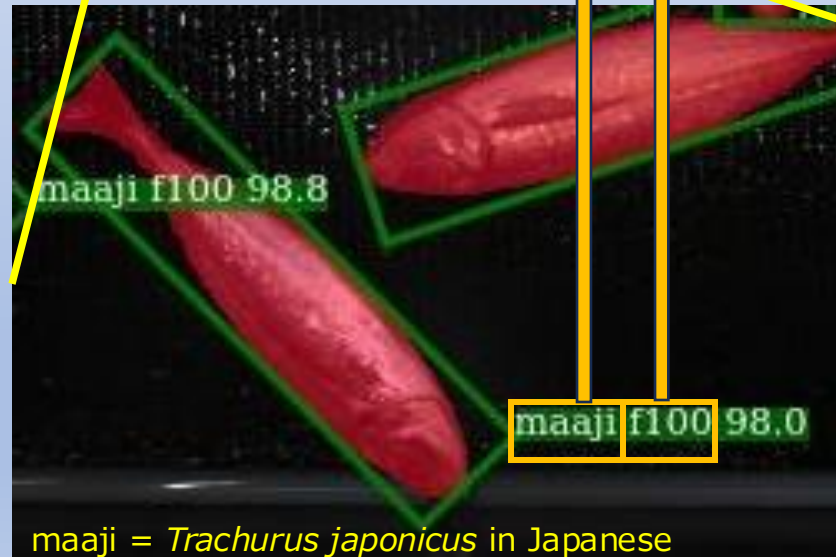


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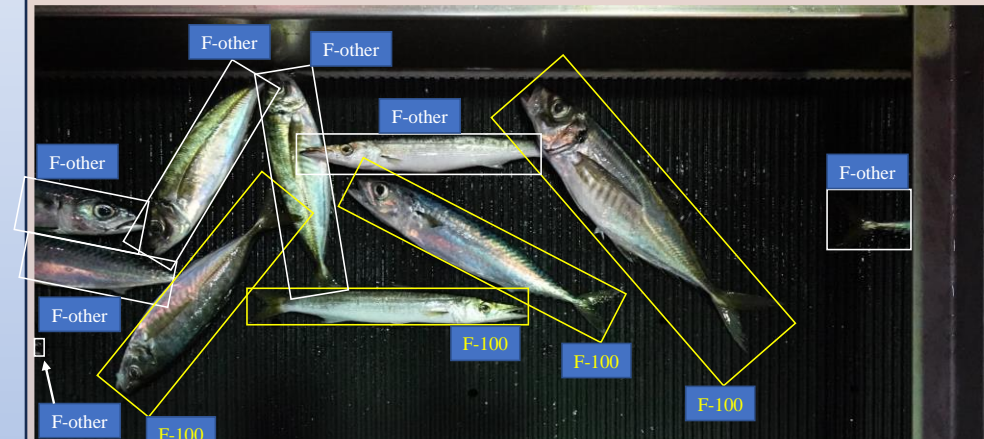
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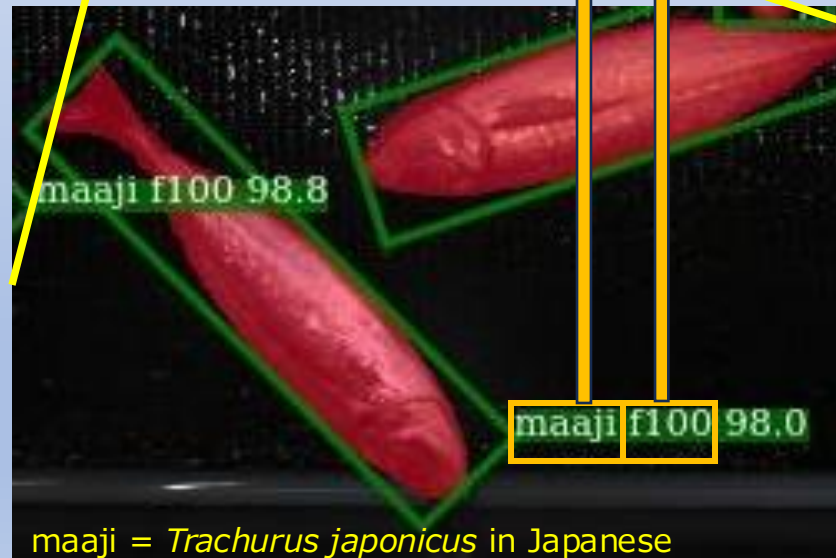
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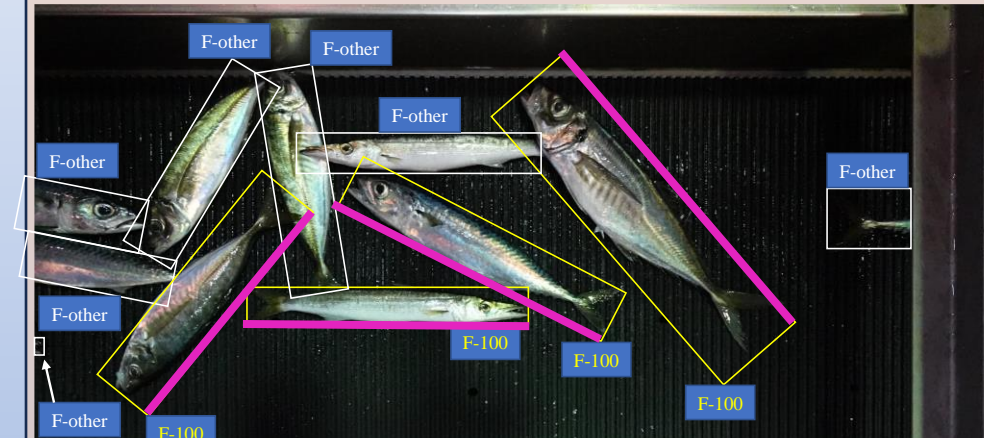
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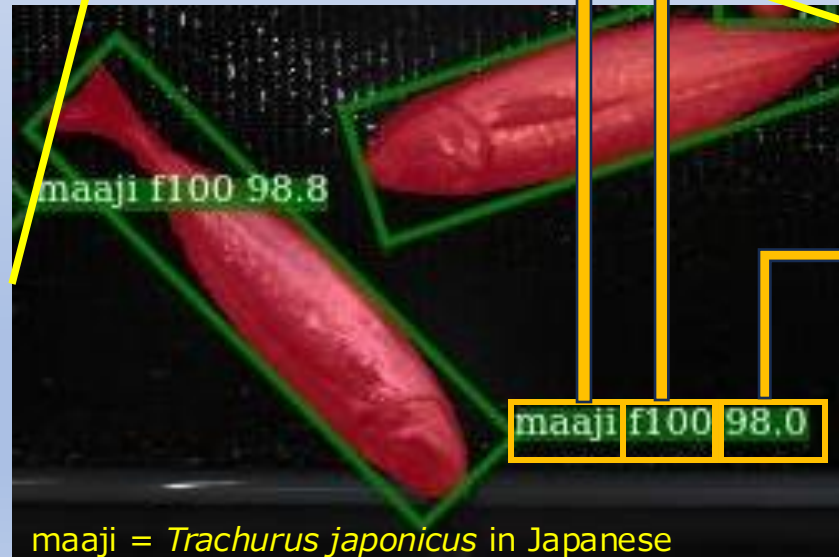
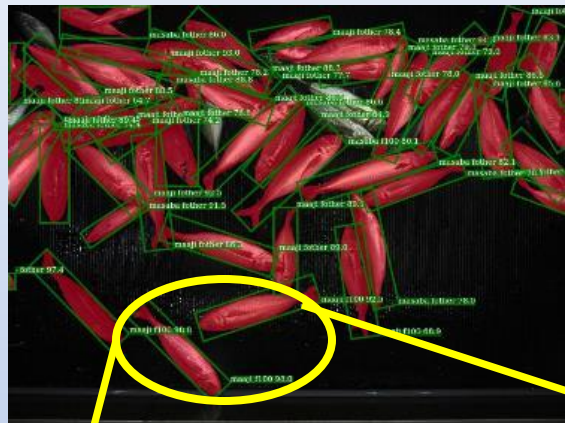
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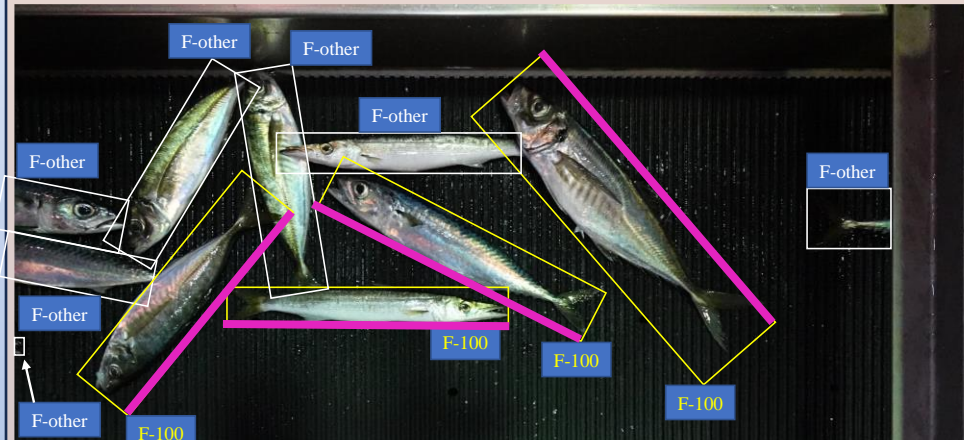


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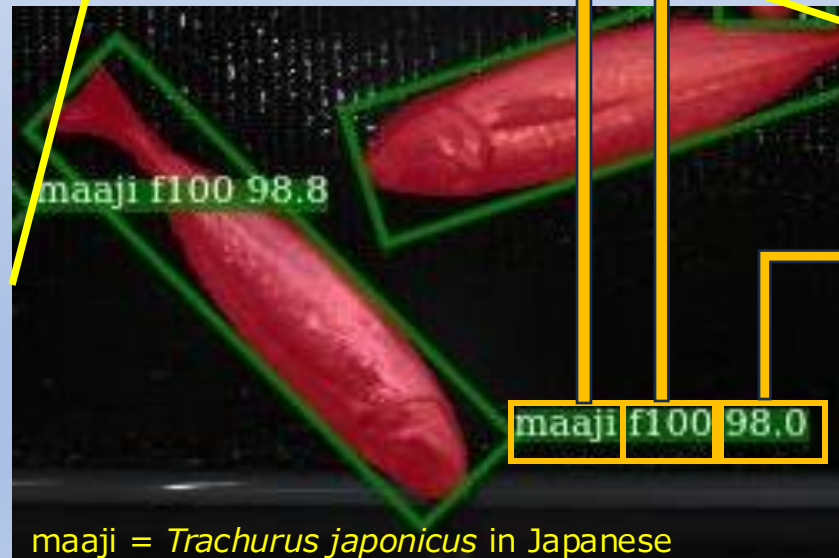
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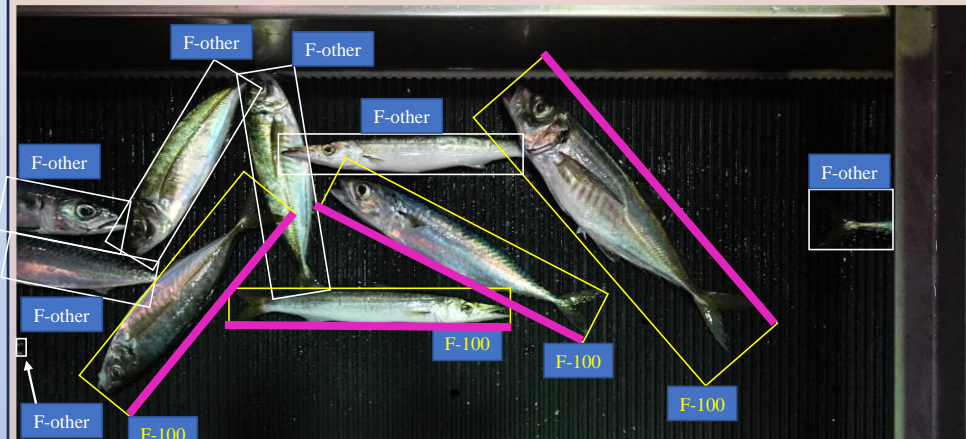
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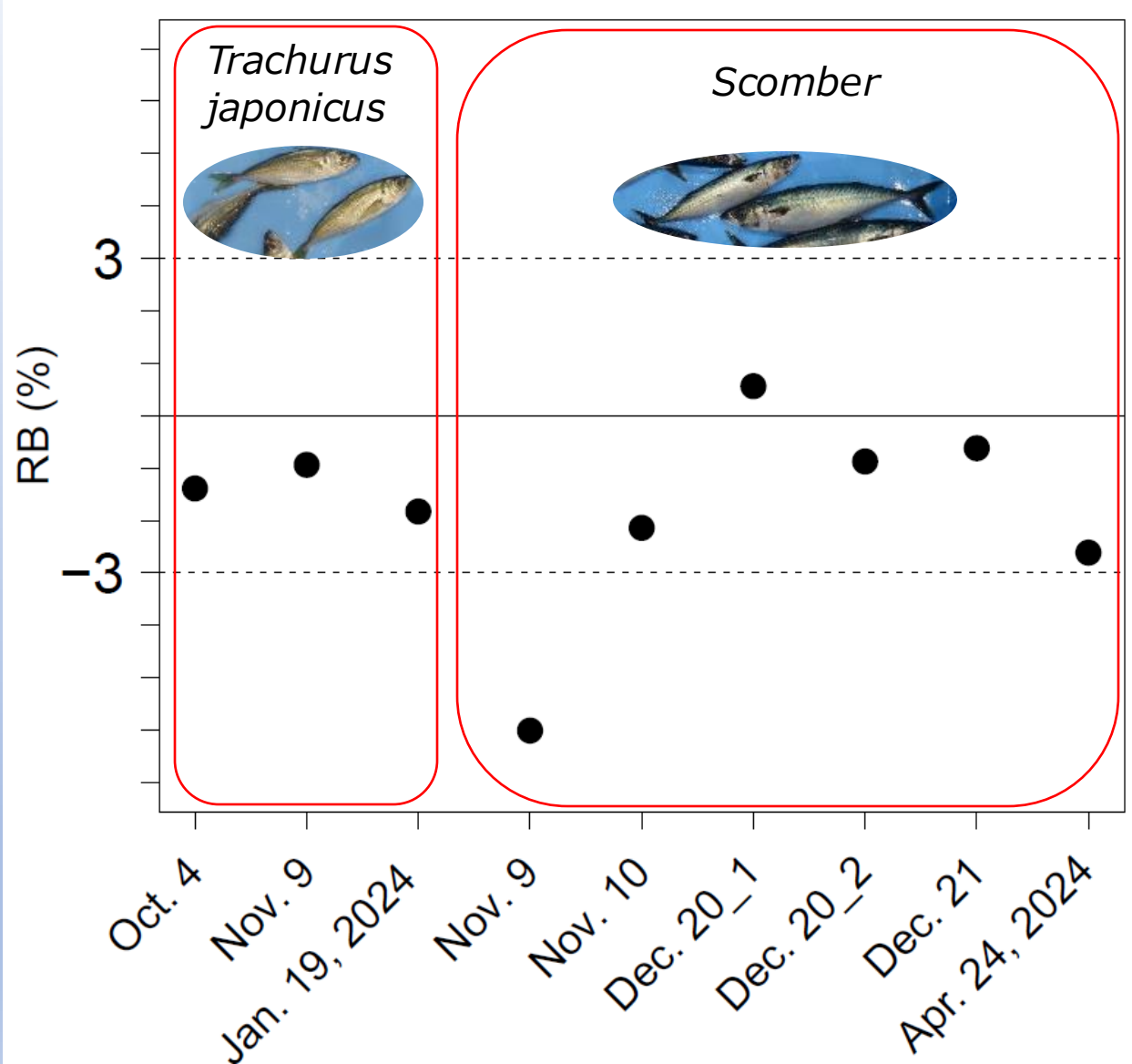
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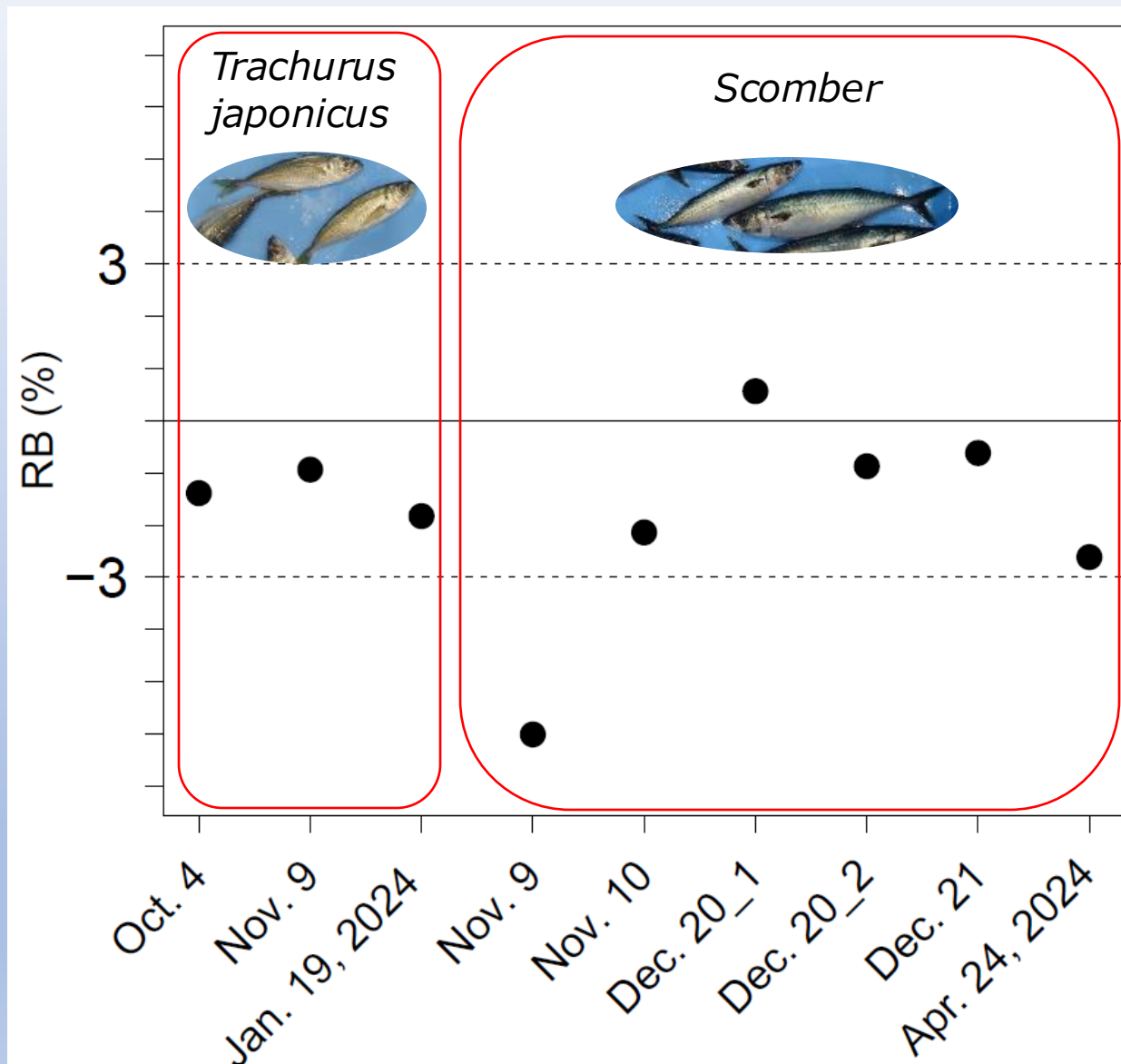
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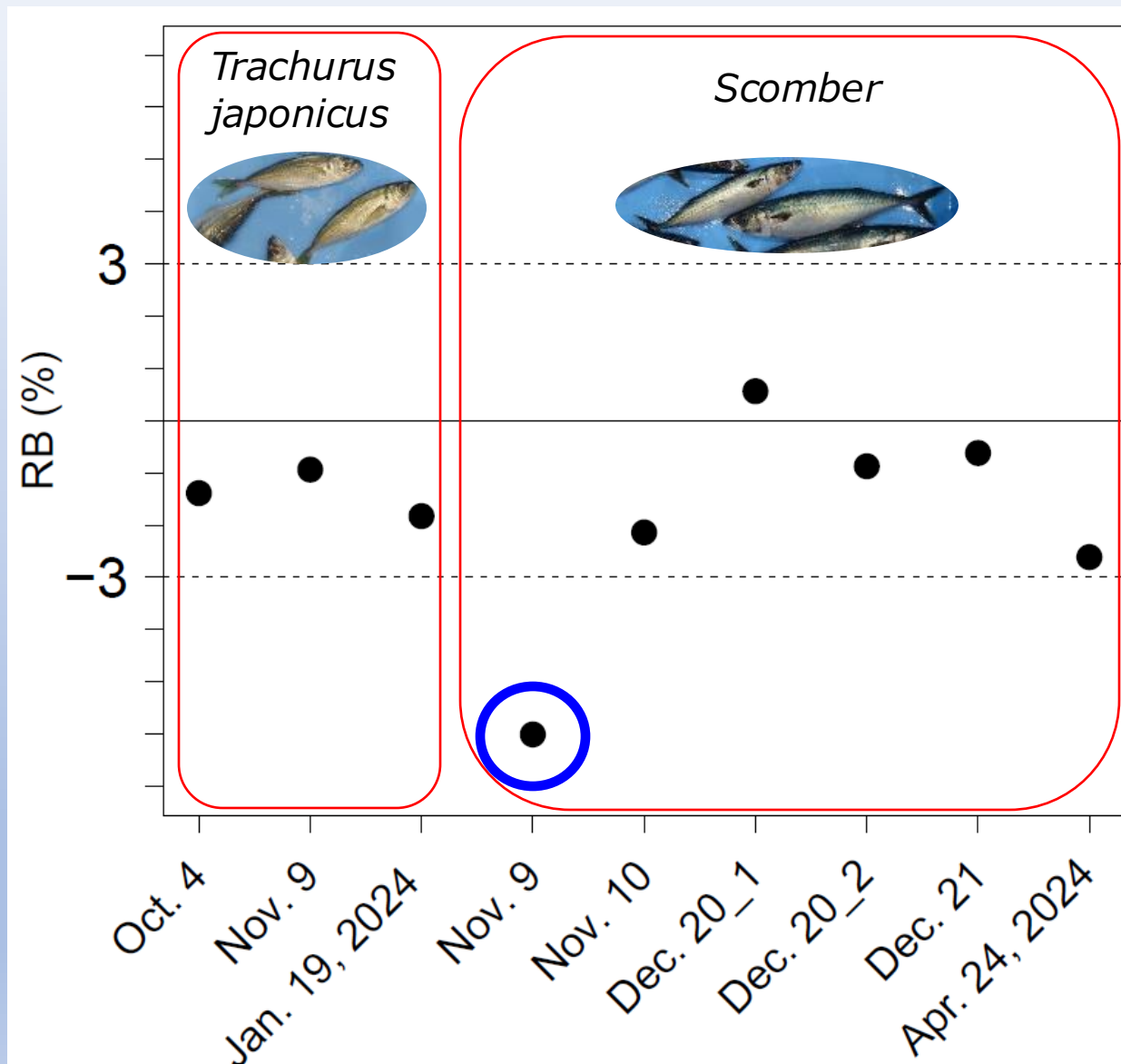


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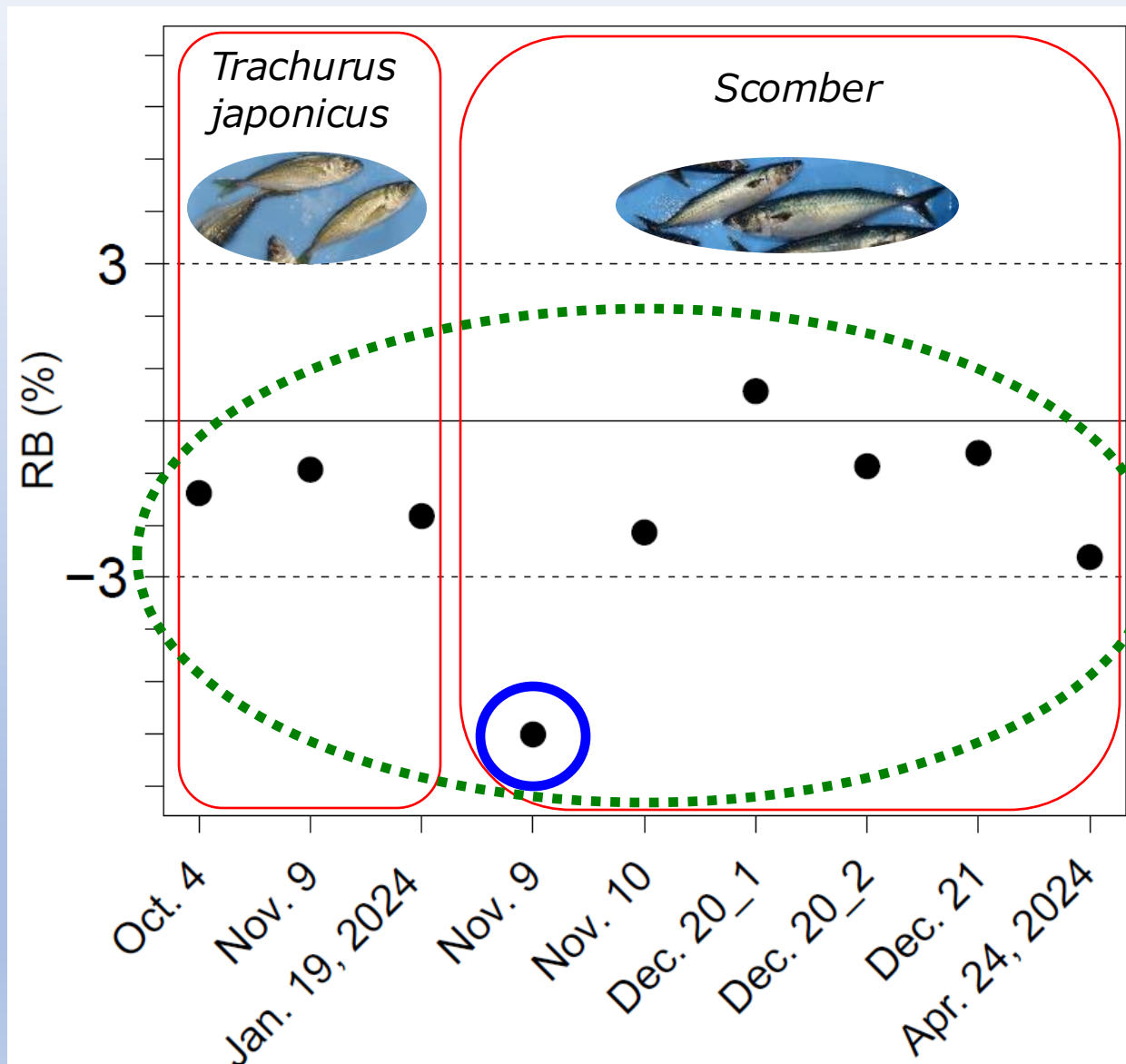
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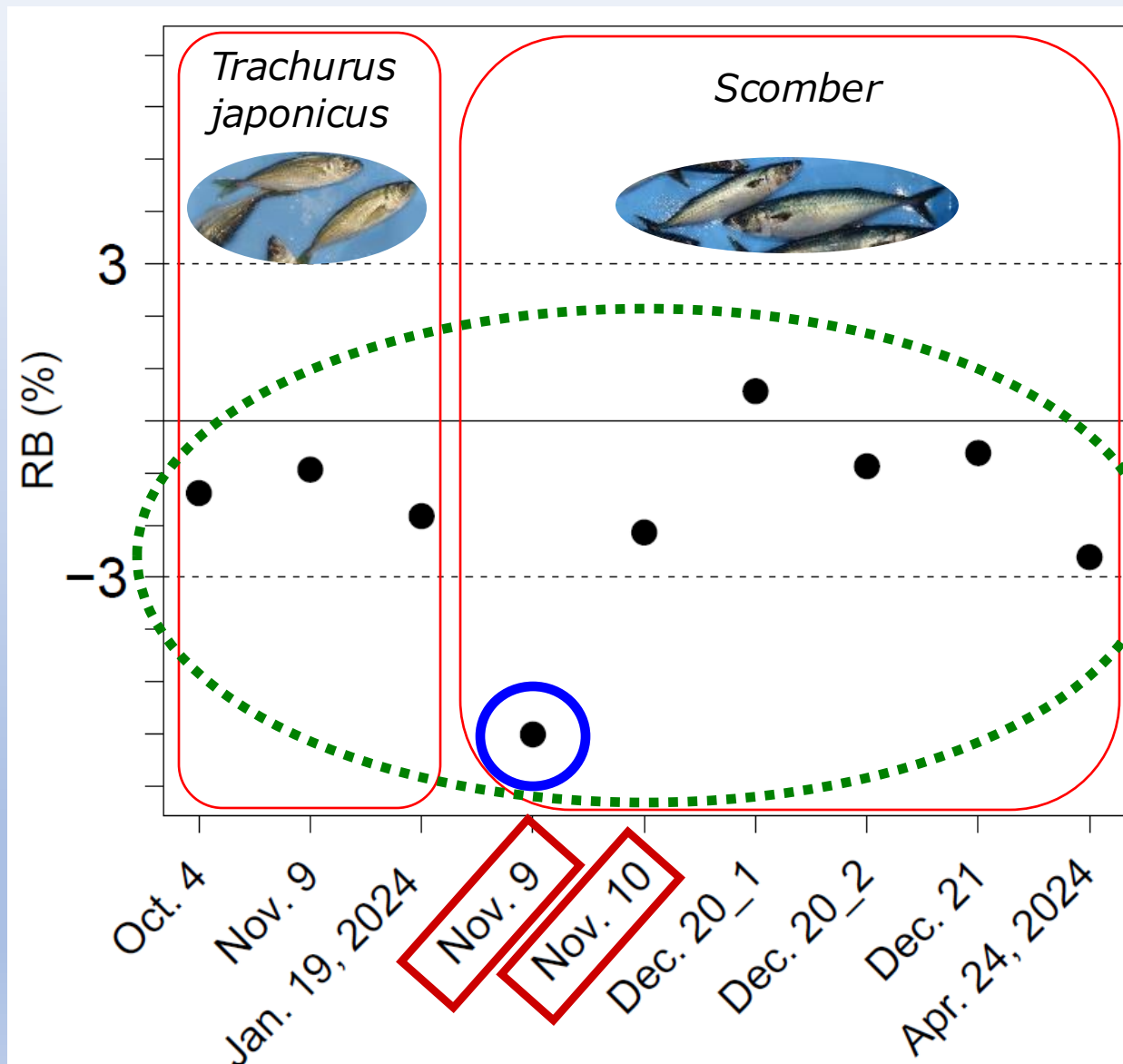
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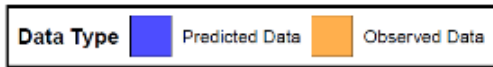


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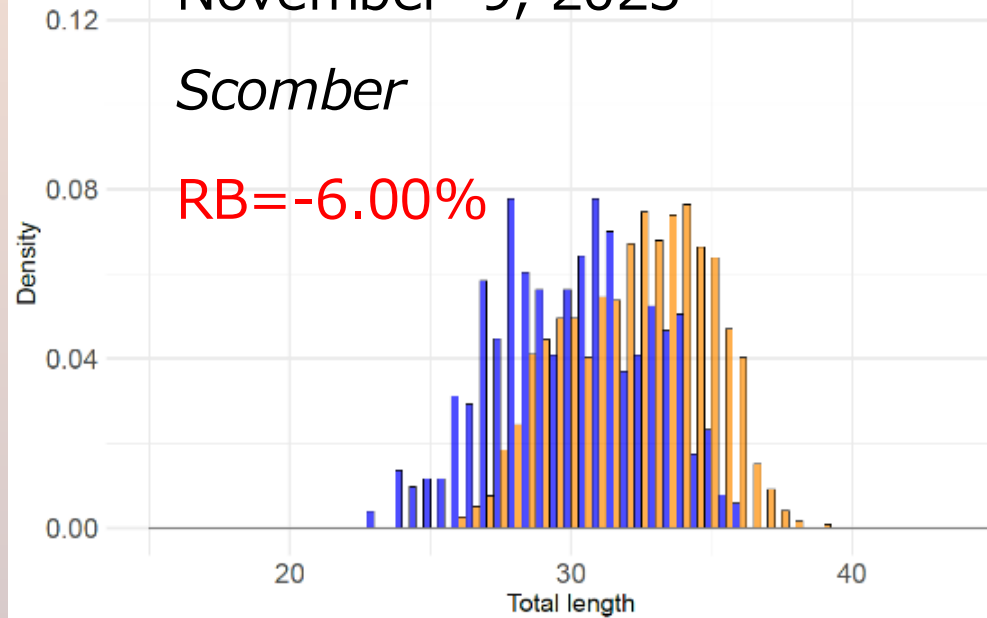
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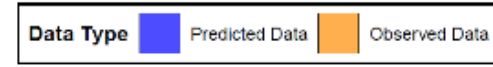
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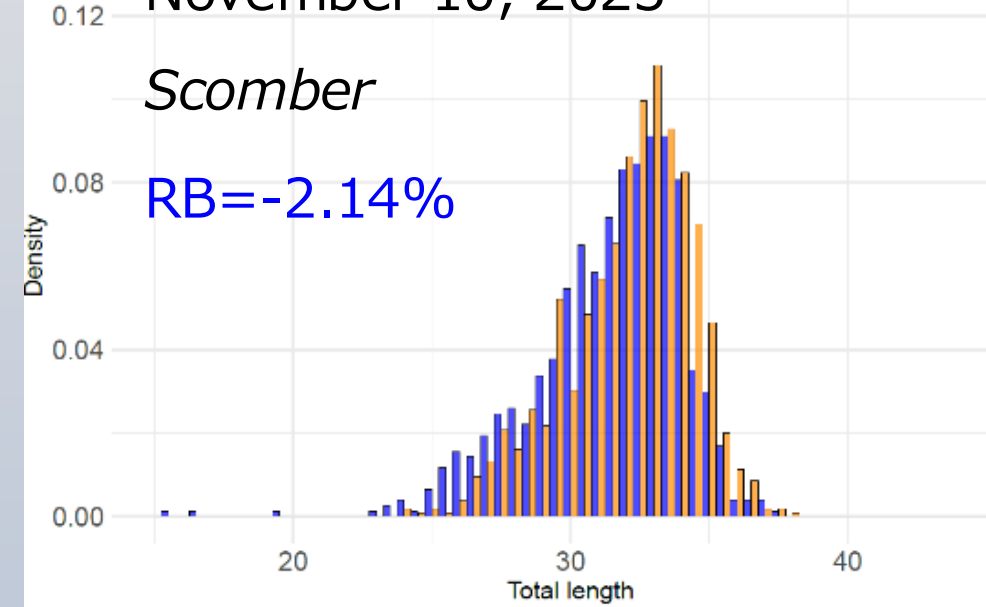
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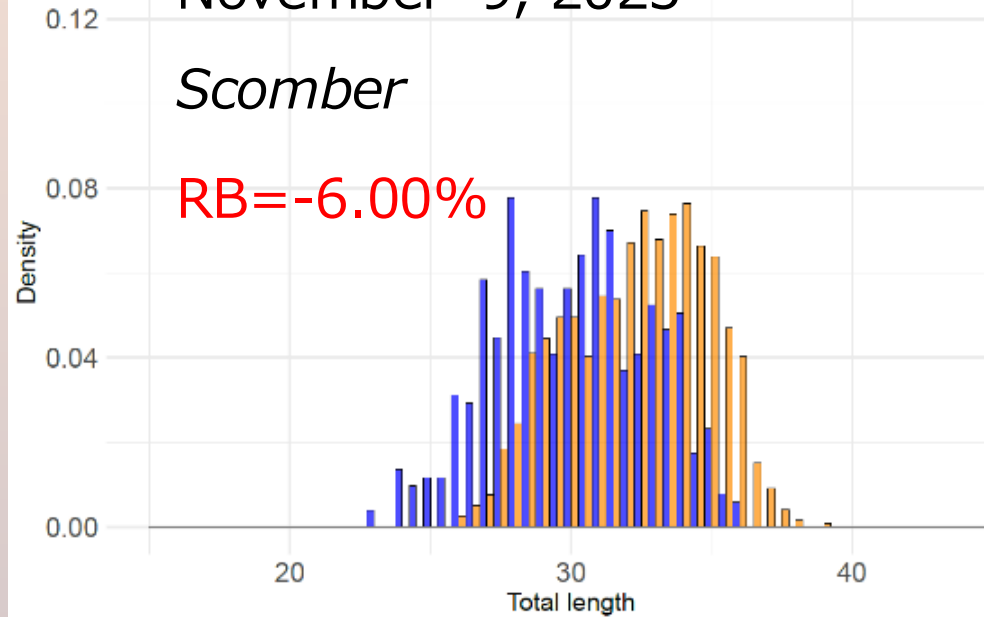
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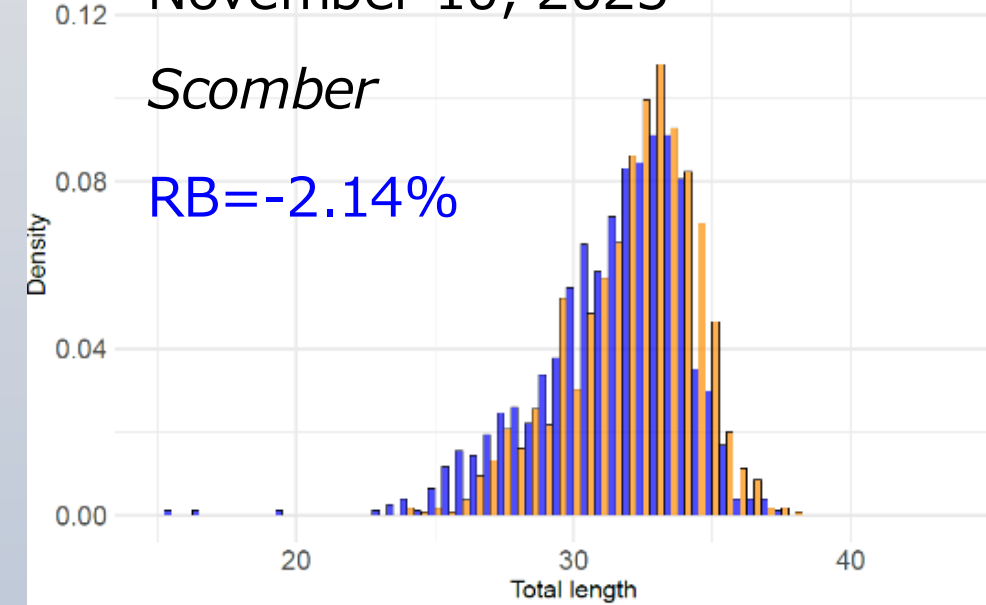
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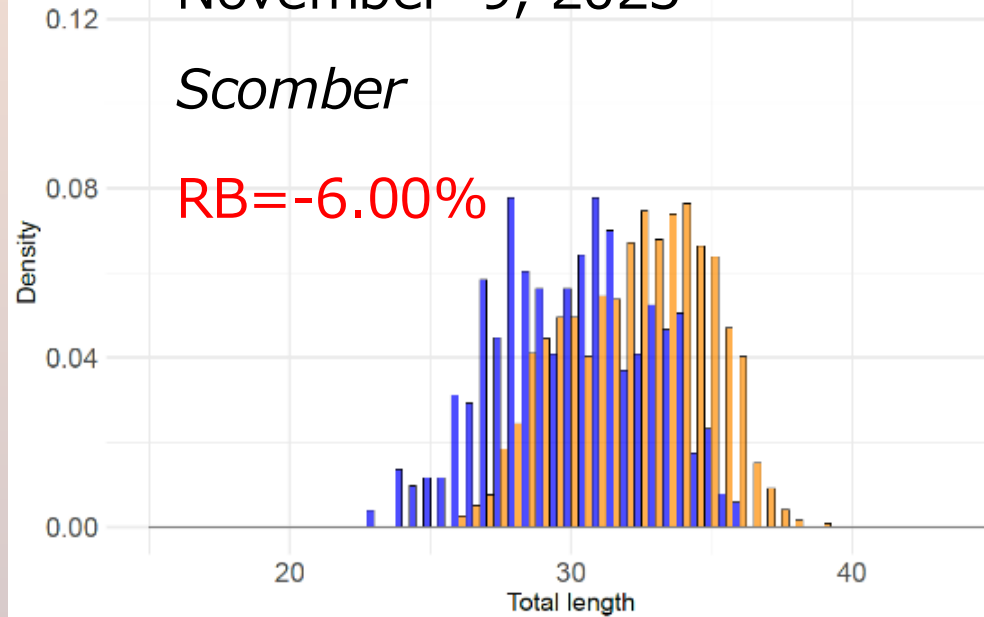
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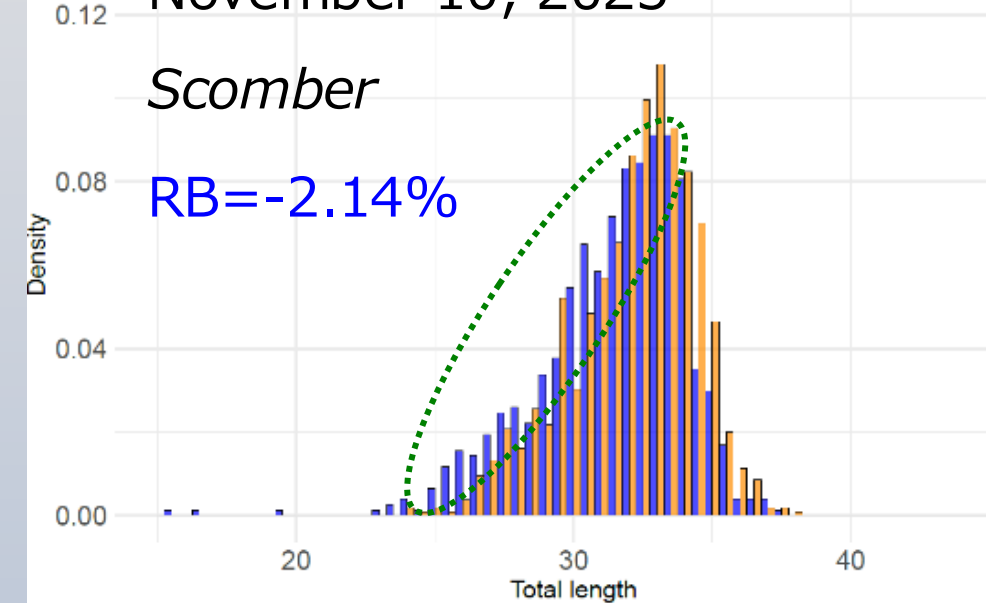
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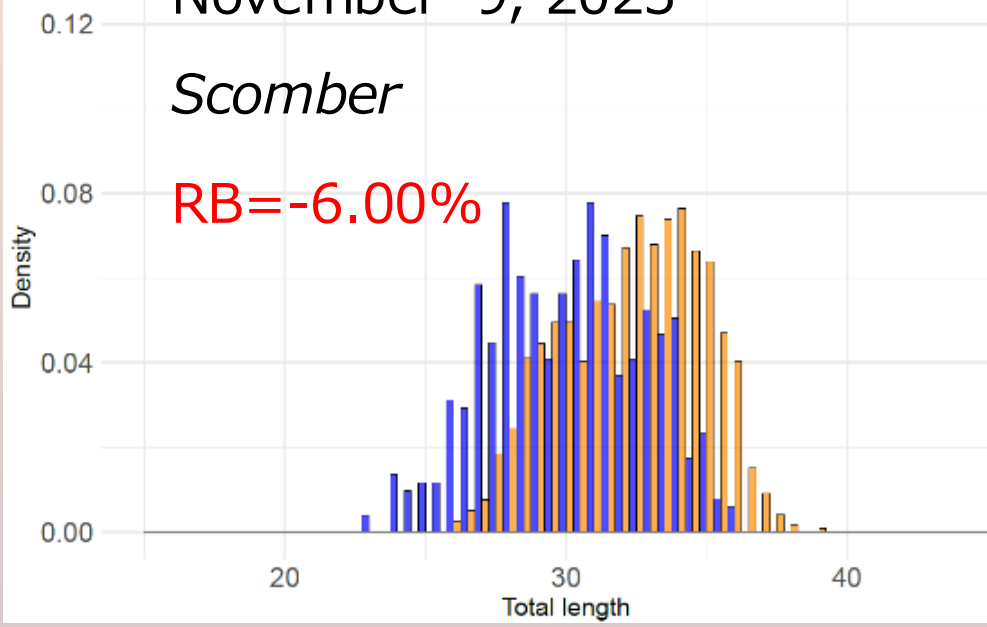
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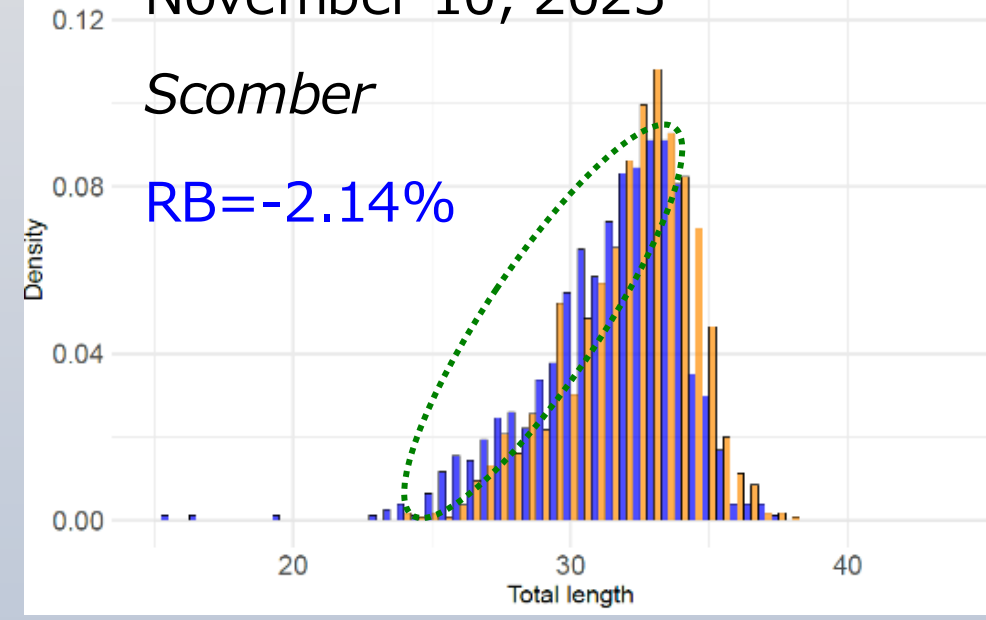
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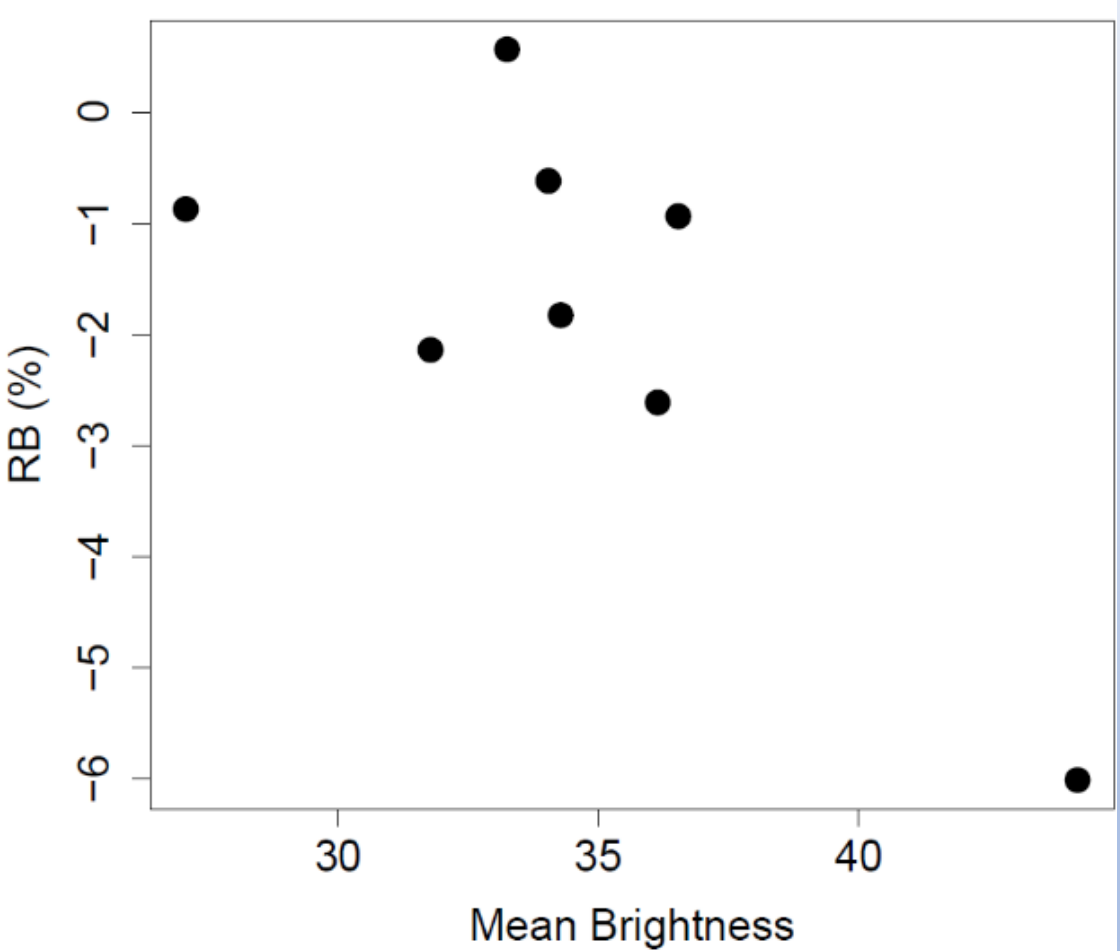


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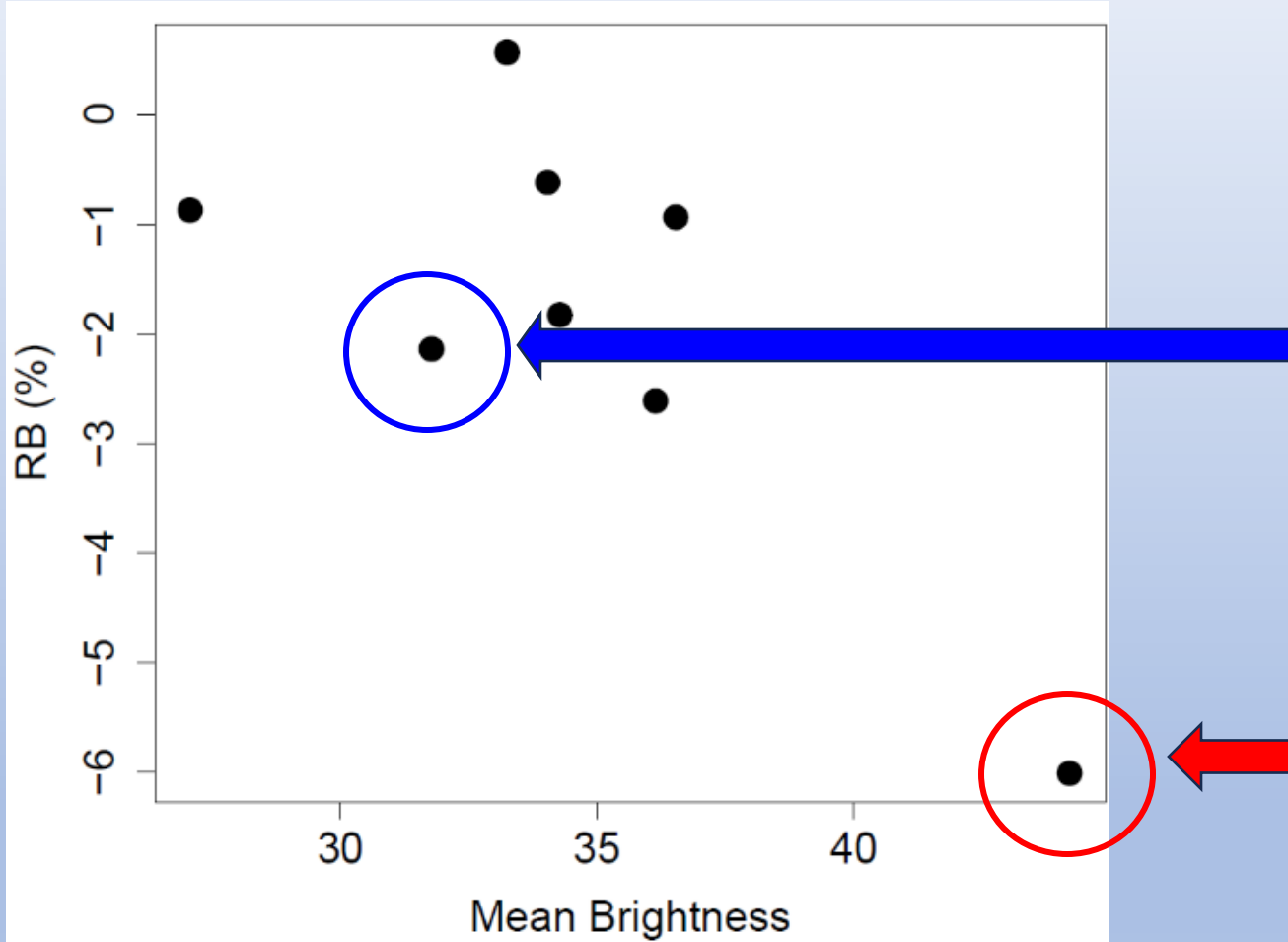
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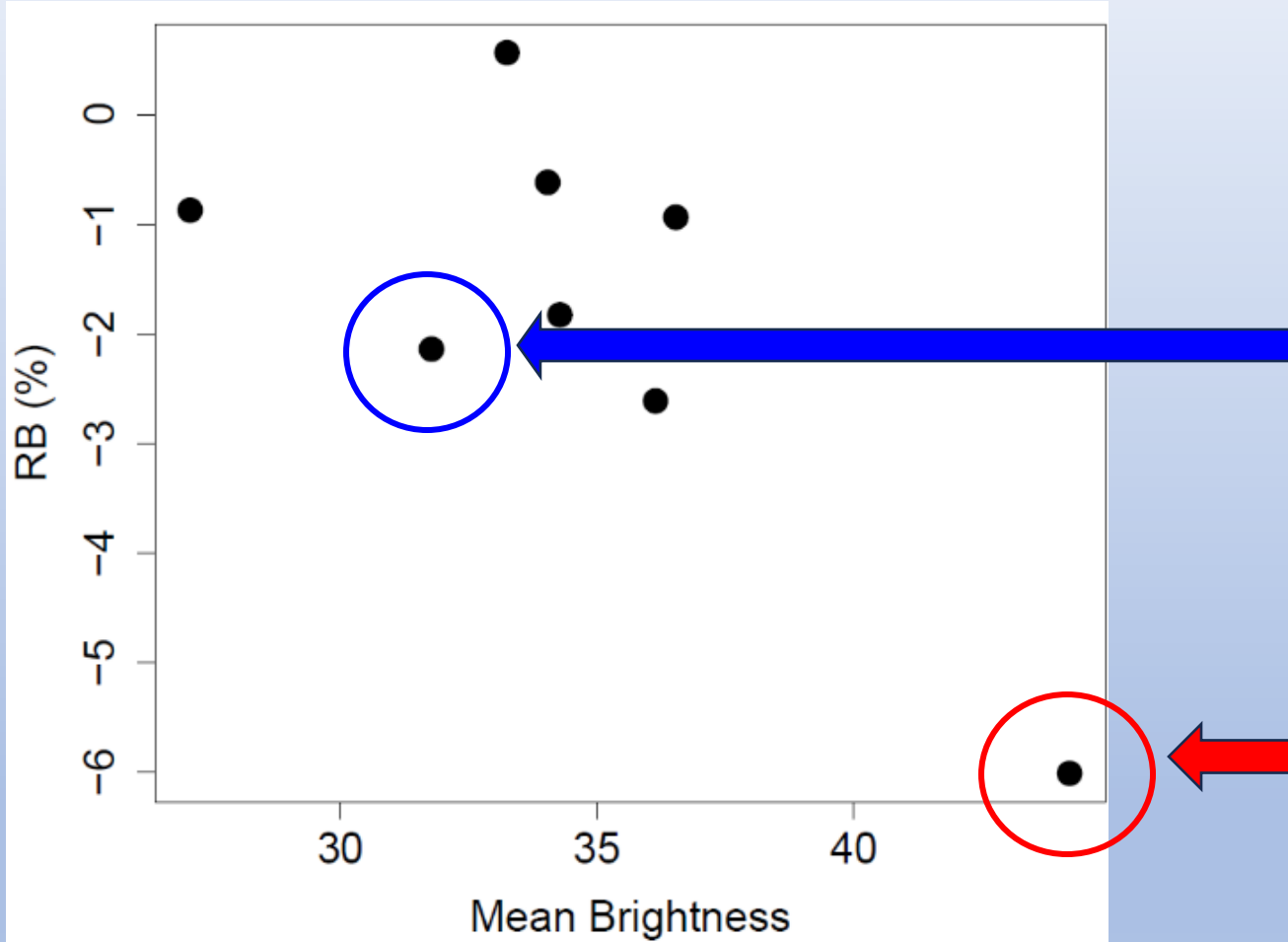
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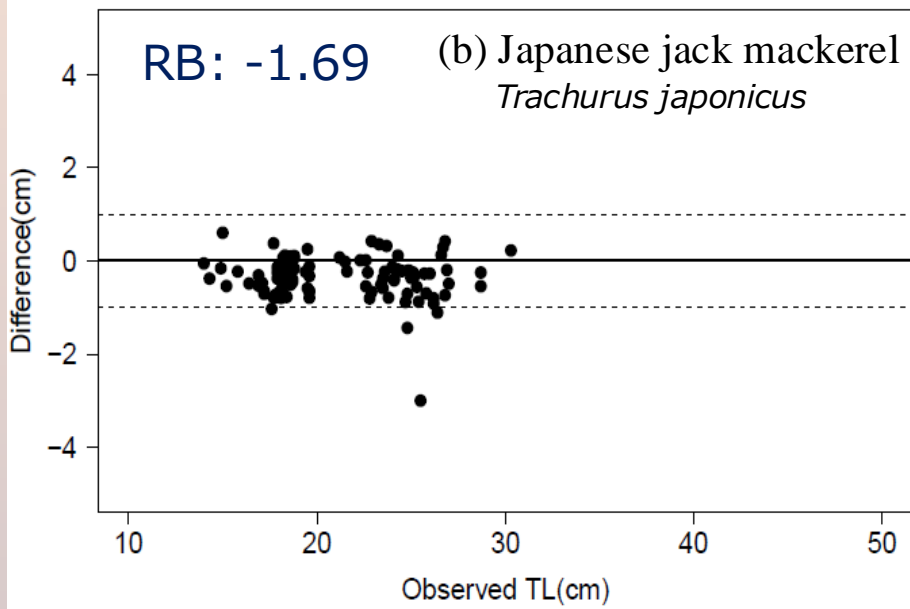
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Sampling bias may be quantified by mean brightness value



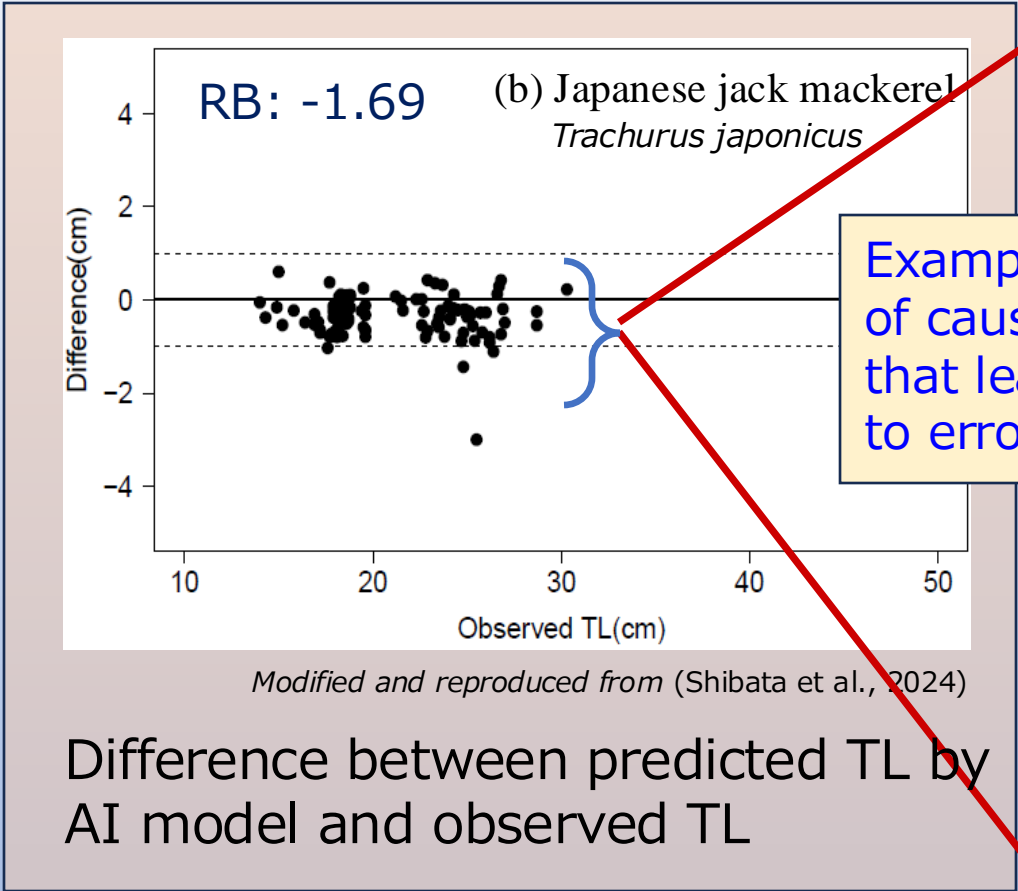
# A factor that cause bias: Prediction error



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Difference between predicted TL by AI model and observed TL

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Examples of causes that lead to error

Incomplete prediction of the fish body edges

Blue mackerel (*Scomber australasicus*)

A rectangle fits diagonally against the centerline of fish body

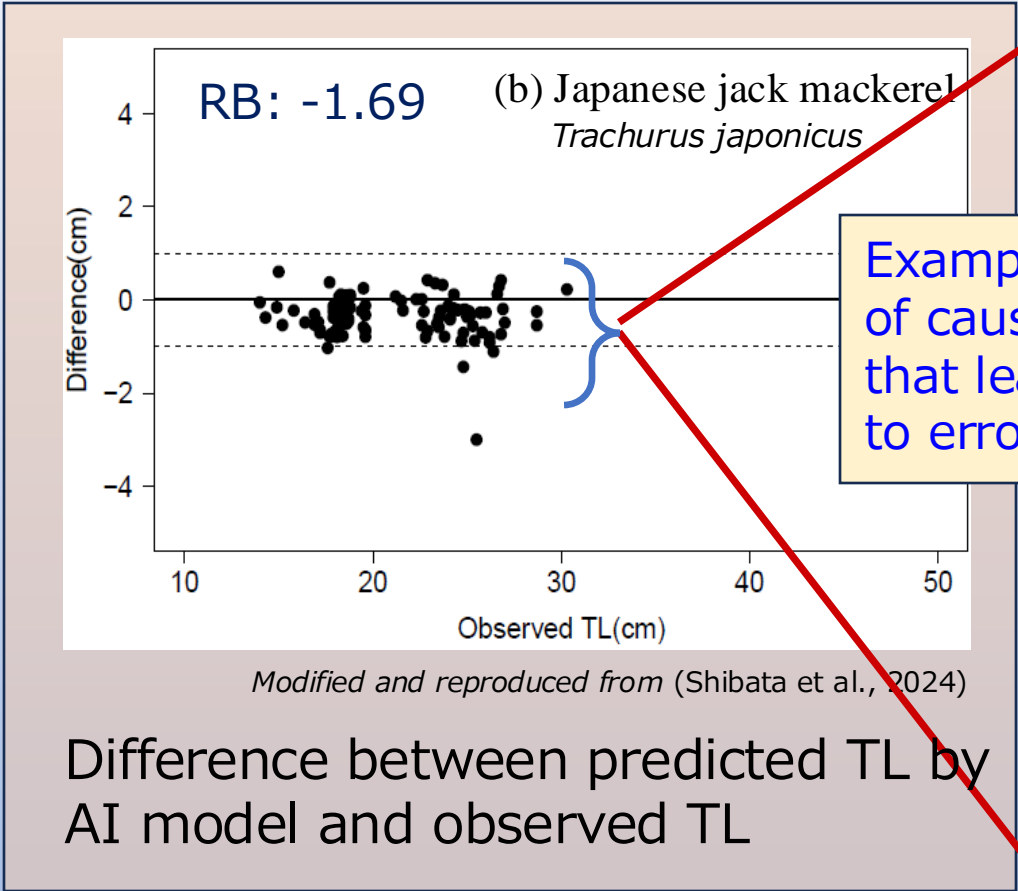
Pacific rudderfish (*Psenopsis anomala*)

The fish body is curved

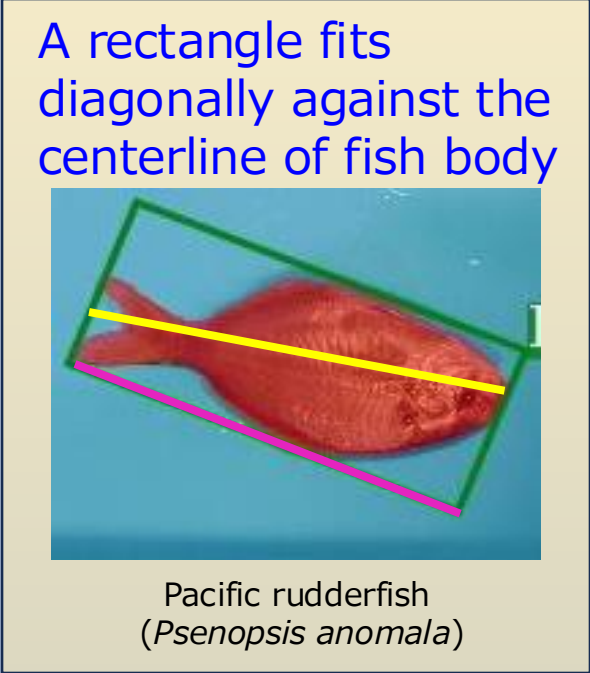
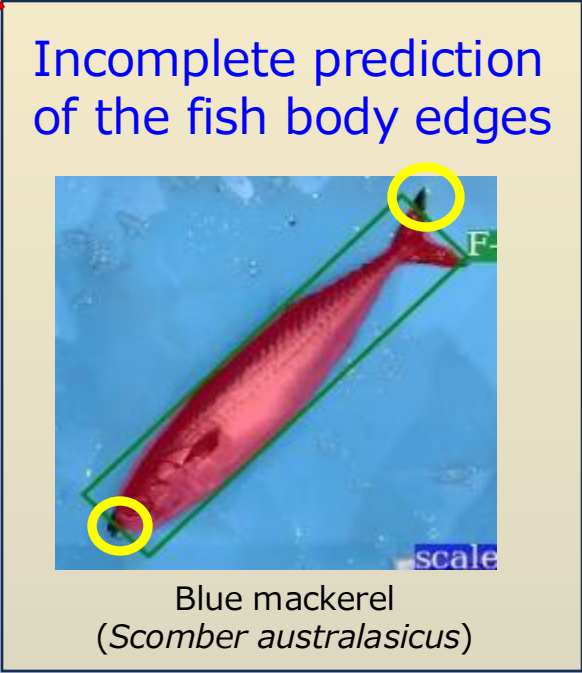
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Prediction error (both bias and variance) can be separated from the sampling bias if observed TL were obtained

# Conclusion

FIAS-Deep was developed and installed at Matsuura fish market and Yokohama FRA, Japan. The system will go online during the 2024 fiscal year.

Bias in length composition were within  $\pm 3\%$  and those were basically high accuracy.

However, the bias may increase if too many fish are in an image because of sampling bias.

A future work is to correct the bias using such as brightness value and a model that assumes prediction error.

