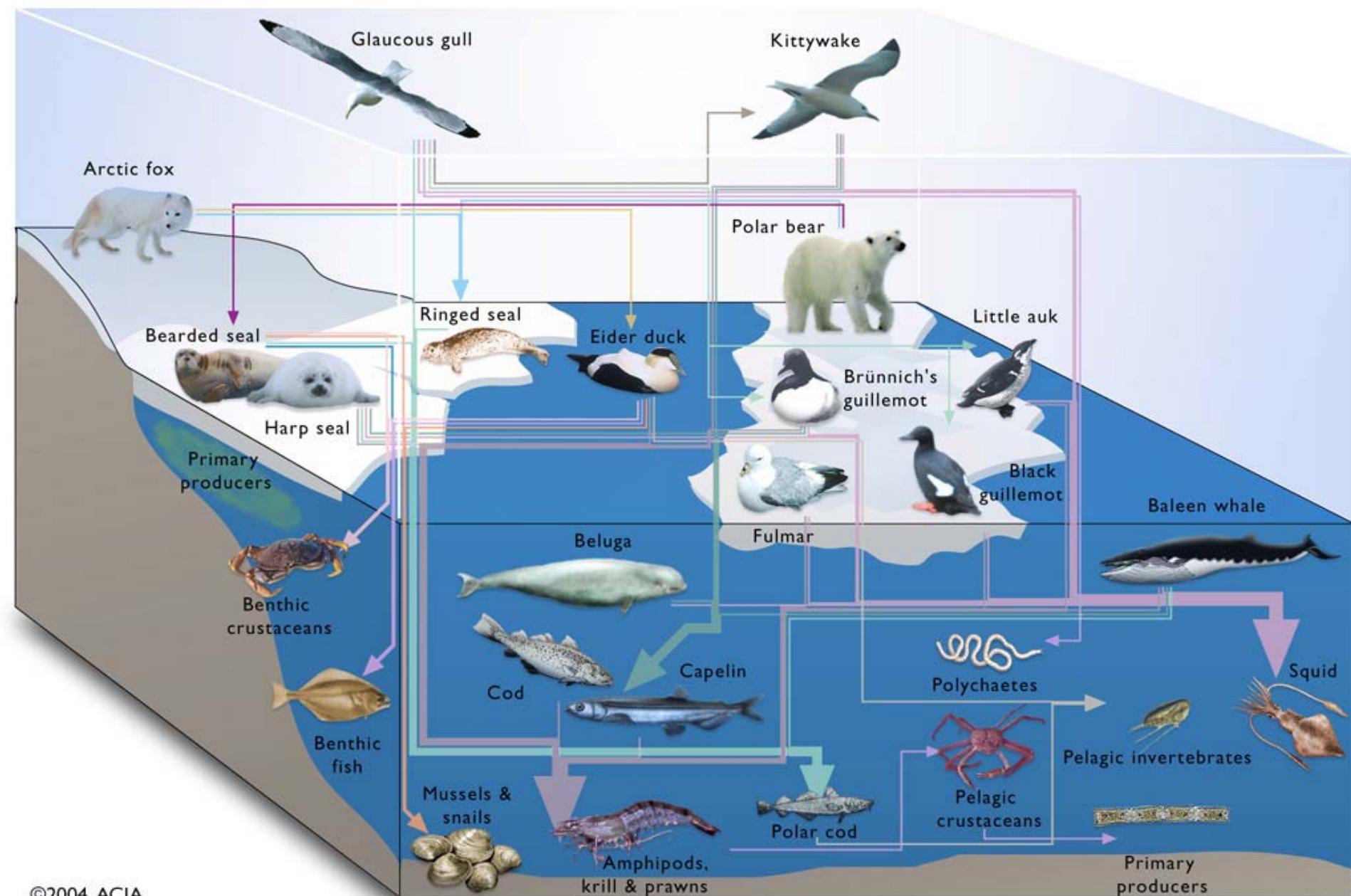


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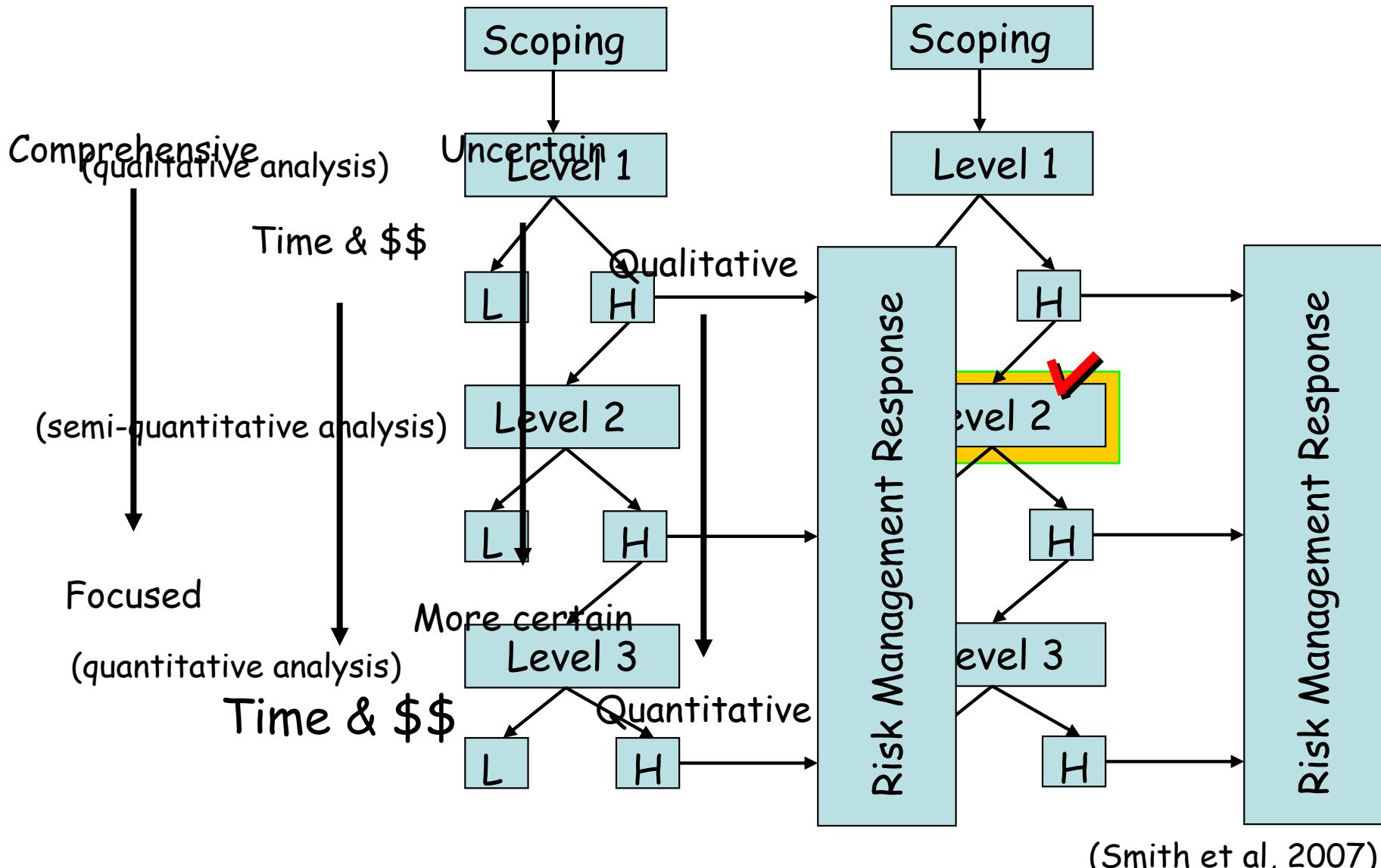


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# Ecological risk assessment



# Level 2: PSA (Productivity and Susceptibility Analysis)

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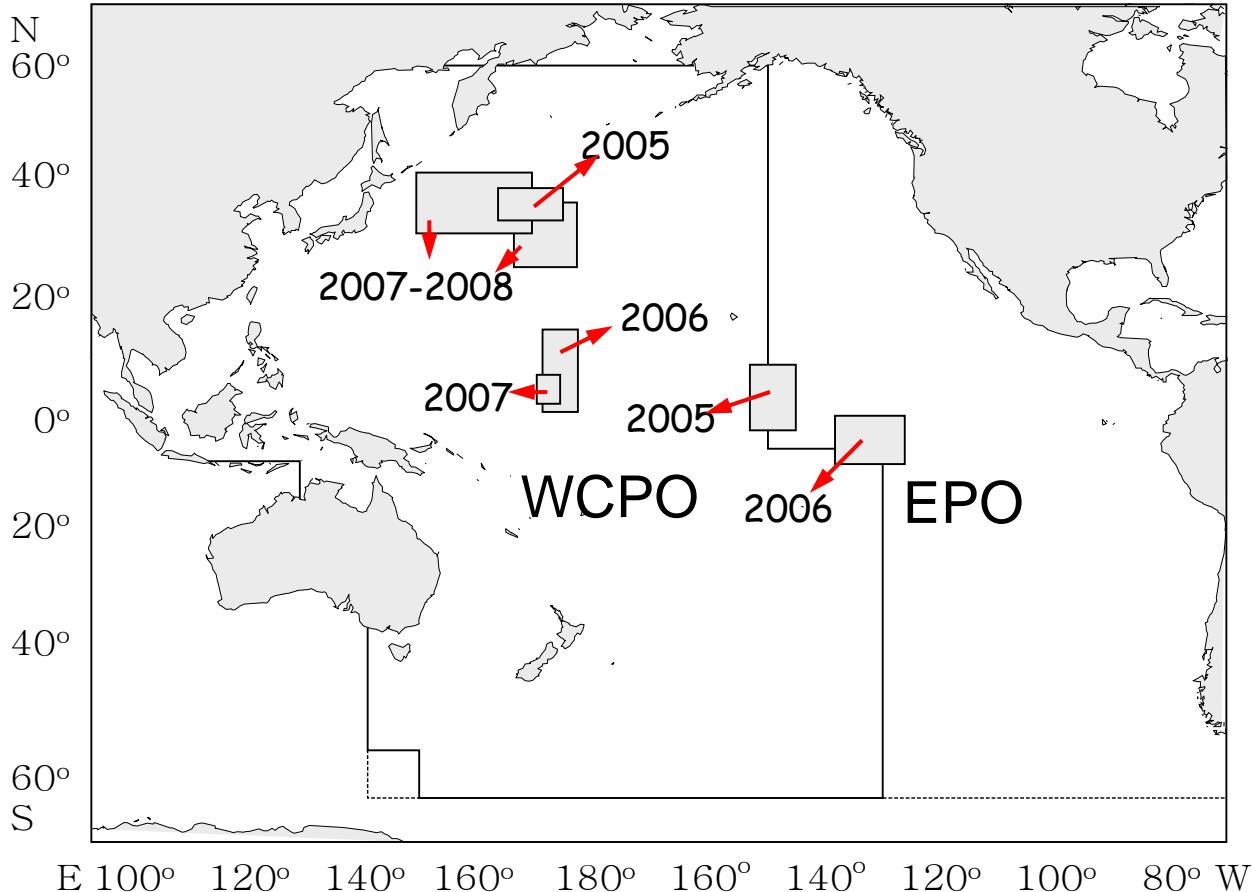
- Productivity,  $r$ 
  - recovery rate after potential depletion or damage by the fishing activity
- Susceptibility,  $q$ 
  - extent of the impact due to fishing activity

# Purpose

- Assessment on the adverse impacts of the Korean tuna longline fishery in the Western and Central Pacific Ocean
  - target species, non-target species and dependent or associated with the target species
- Precautionary approach for the stock or ecosystem management and conservation
  - identification of non-target species for consideration of future research or management
  - protect biodiversity in the marine environment

# Data

## Survey area



- Period: 2005-2008
- Area: Western and Central Pacific Ocean
- Source:
  - 20,157 catches in number
  - 48 species
- Collected data by 7 scientific observers from NFRDI in Korea



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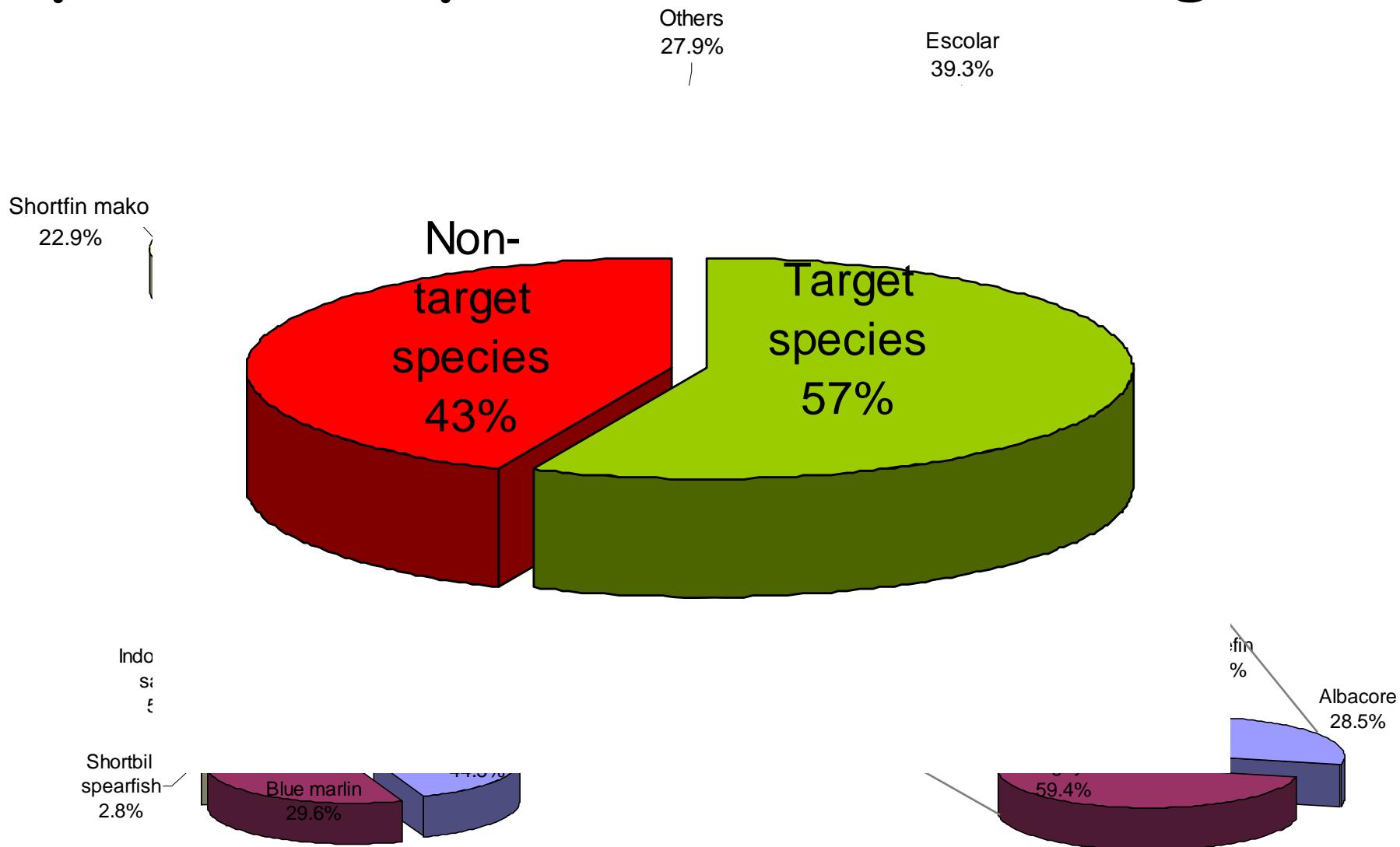
# Species

Group	English name	Scientific name
Tunas (5) 	Albacore	<i>Thunnus alalunga</i>
	Bigeye tuna	<i>Thunnus obesus</i>
	Yellowfin tuna	<i>Thunnus albacares</i>
	Skipjack tuna	<i>Katsuwonus pelamis</i>
	Bluefin tuna	<i>Thunnus thynnus</i>
Billfishes (6) 	Swordfish	<i>Xiphias gladius</i>
	Shortbill spearfish	<i>Tetrapturus angustirostris</i>
	Blue marlin	<i>Makaira mazara</i>
	Indo-Pacific sailfish	<i>Istiophorus platypterus</i>
	Striped marlin	<i>Tetrapturus audax</i>
	Black marlin	<i>Makaira indica</i>
Sharks (13) 	Bigeye thresher shark	<i>Alopias superciliosus</i>
	Blue shark	<i>Prionace glauca</i>
	Galapagos shark	<i>Carcharhinus galapagensis</i>
	Longfin mako	<i>Isurus paucus</i>
	Shortfin mako	<i>Isurus oxyrinchus</i>
	Oceanic whitetip shark	<i>Carcharhinus longimanus</i>
	Grey reef shark	<i>Carcharhinus amblyrhynchos</i>
	Smooth hammerhead	<i>Sphyrna zygaena</i>
	Crocodile shark	<i>Pseudocarcharias kamoharai</i>
	Scalloped hammerhead shark	<i>Sphyrna lewini</i>
	Japanese velvet dogfish	<i>Zameus ichiharai</i>
	Salmon shark	<i>Lamna ditropis</i>
	Silky shark	<i>Carcharhinus falciformis</i>

# Species

Group	English name	Scientific name
Turtles (3)	Green sea turtle	<i>Chelonia mydas</i>
	Loggerhead sea turtle	<i>Caretta caretta</i>
	Olive ridley sea turtle	<i>Lepidochelys olivacea</i>
Other species (21)	Sickle pomfret	<i>Taractichthys steindachneri</i>
	Black pomfret	<i>Taractes rubescens</i>
	Esoclar	<i>Lepidocybium flavobrunneum</i>
	Snake mackerel	<i>Gempylus serpens</i>
	Wahoo	<i>Acanthocybium solandri</i>
	Longnose lancetfish	<i>Alepisaurus ferox</i>
	Pelagic stingray	<i>Dasyatis violacea</i>
	Ocean sunfish	<i>Mola mola</i>
	Great barracuda	<i>Sphyraena barracuda</i>
	Opah	<i>Lampris guttatus</i>
	Dolphinfish	<i>Coryphaena hippurus</i>
	Sharptail mola	<i>Masturus lanceolatus</i>
	Manta ray	<i>Mobula japanica</i>
	Oilfish	<i>Ruvettus pretiosus</i>
	Rainbow runner	<i>Elagatis bipinnulata</i>
	Slender sunfish	<i>Ranzania laevis</i>
	Suck fish	<i>Remora remora</i>
	Flyingfish	<i>Prognichthys gibbifrons</i>
	Crested oarfish	<i>Lophotuslacepede</i>
	Razorback scabbardfish	<i>Assurger anzac</i>
	Shortnose lancetfish	<i>Alepisaurus brevirostris</i>

# Species composition catch in weight



Proportion of captured species (weight) by 7 scientific observations from 2005 to 2008

# Indicators for species components (Target, By-catch, Protected species)

## Productivity attributes

- Maximum age
- Age at maturity
- Size at maturity
- Annual fecundity
- Maximum size
- Reproductive strategy
- Trophic level

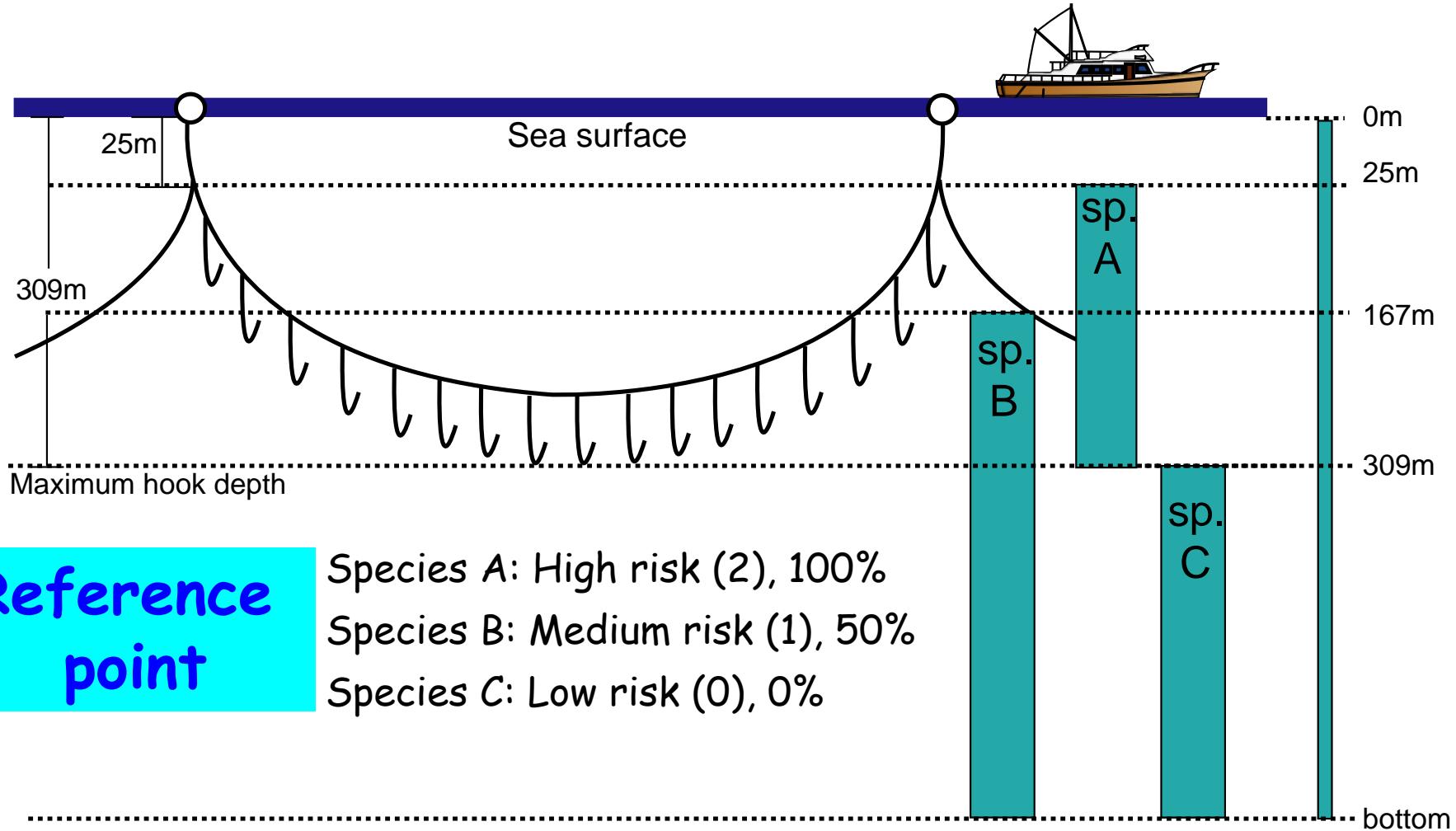
## Susceptibility attributes

- Overlap with fishing effort
- Global distribution
- Adult habitat overlap with juvenile
- Selectivity
- Post-capture mortality

**Attribute  
Indicator**

# Susceptibility

Overlap with fishing effort



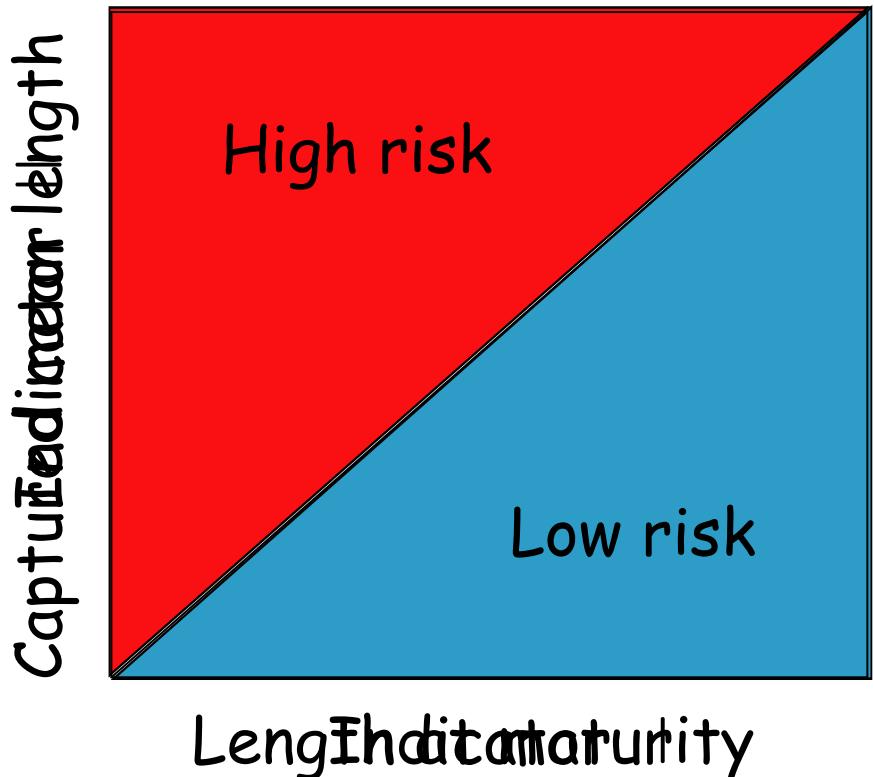
# Attributes

(CSIRO, 2005)

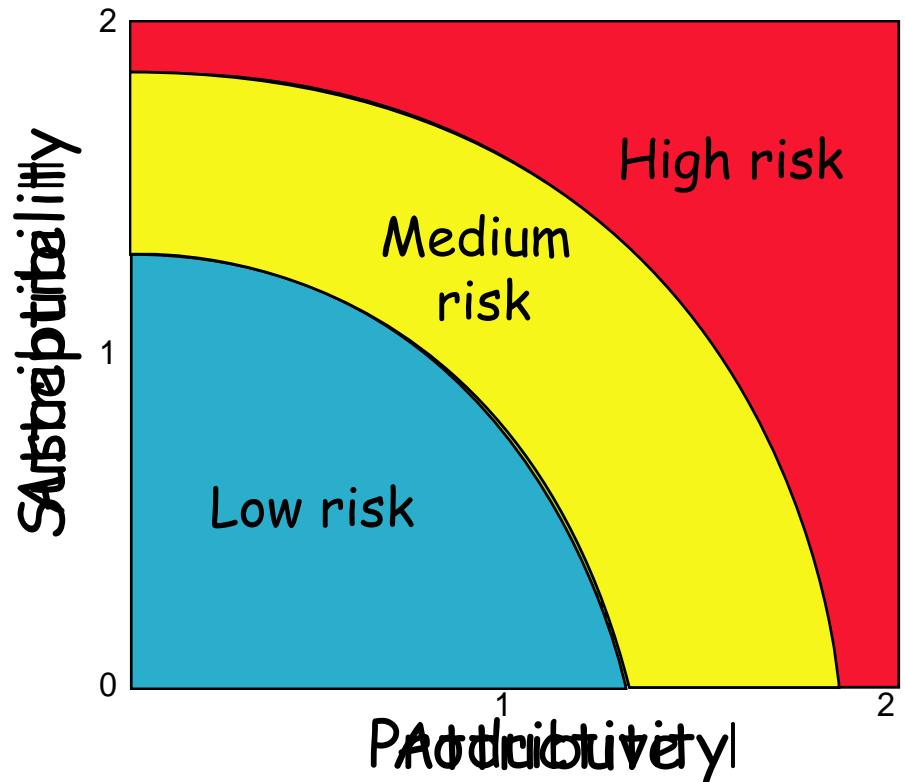
Attributes	Indicators	Reference points		
		Low (0)	Medium (1)	High (2)
Productivity	Maximum age (year)	< 10	10 - 25	25 <
	Age at maturity (year)	< 5	5 - 10	10 <
	Size at maturity (cm)	< 40	40 - 200	200 <
	Maximum size (cm)	< 100	100 - 300	300 <
	Reproductive strategy	Broadcast spawners	Demersal spawners	Live bearer
	Trophic level	< 2.75	2.75 - 3.25	3.25 <
Susceptibility	Overlap with fishing effort (m)	309 <	167 <	25 - 309
	Global distribution	Worldwide	Hemisphere	Locality
	Adult habitat overlap with juvenile	Low rate	Medium rate	High rate
	Selectivity	No selectivity for longline fishery		
	Post-capture mortality	Alive	Barely alive	Dead

# Ecosystem risk assessment

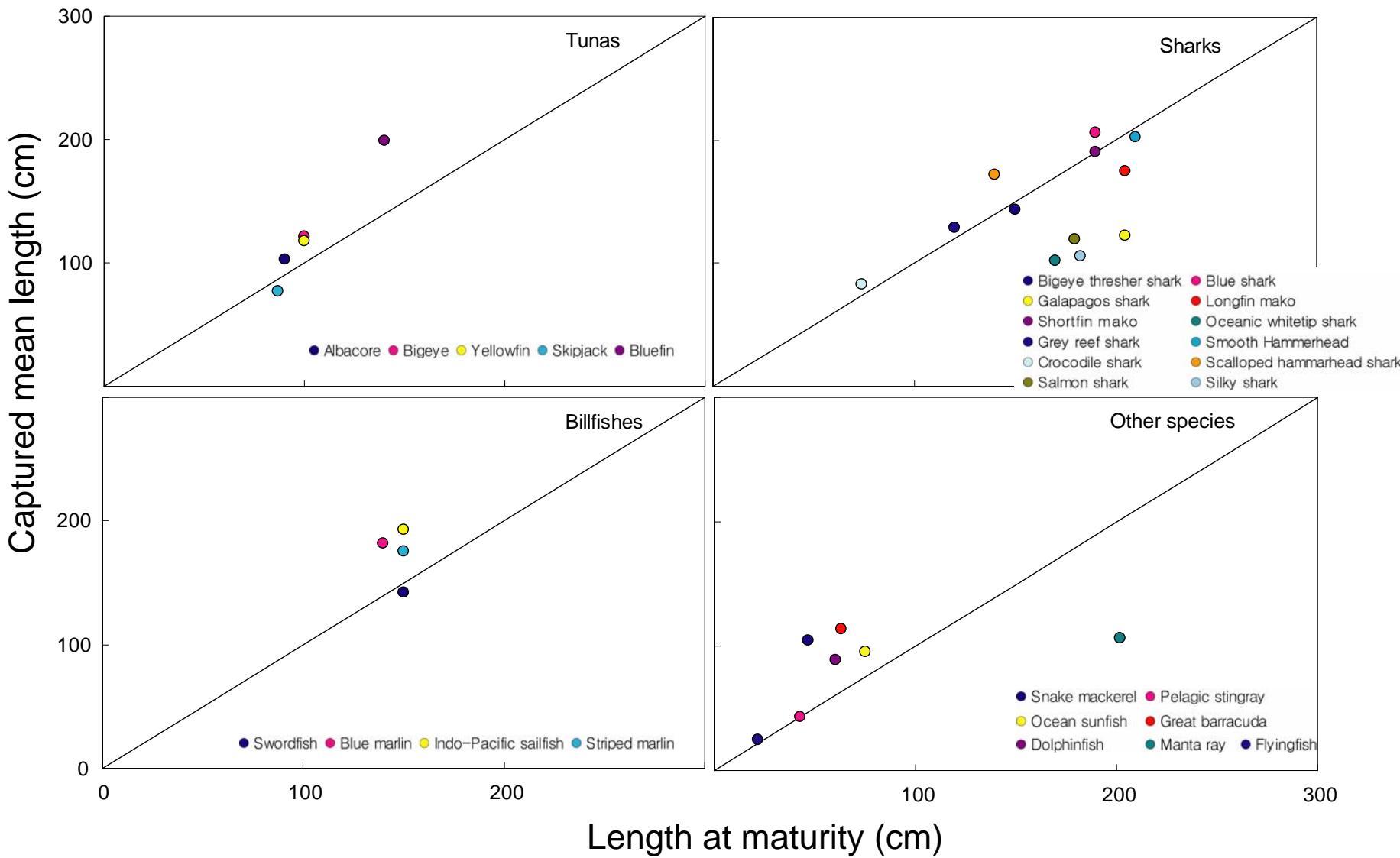
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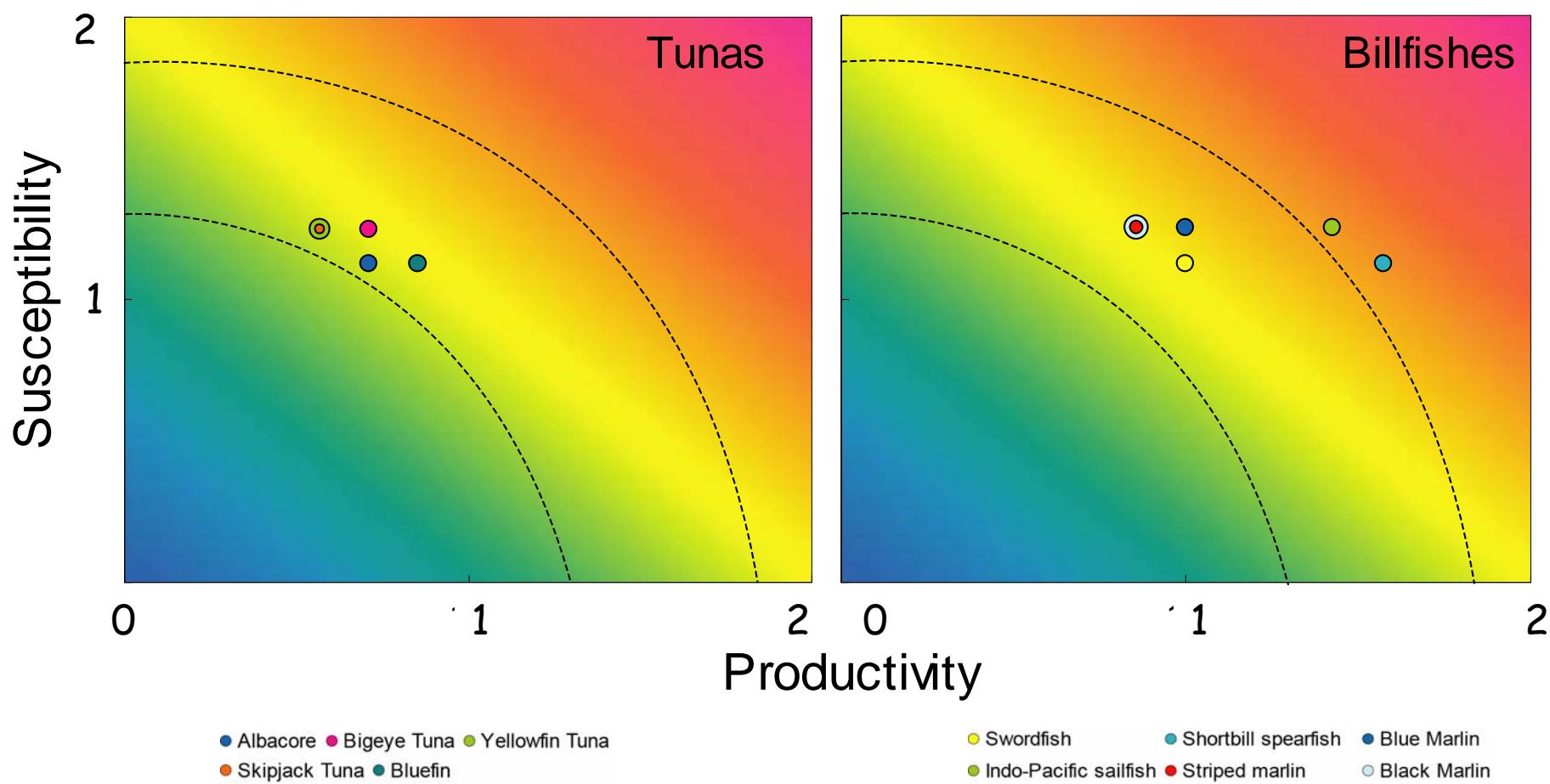
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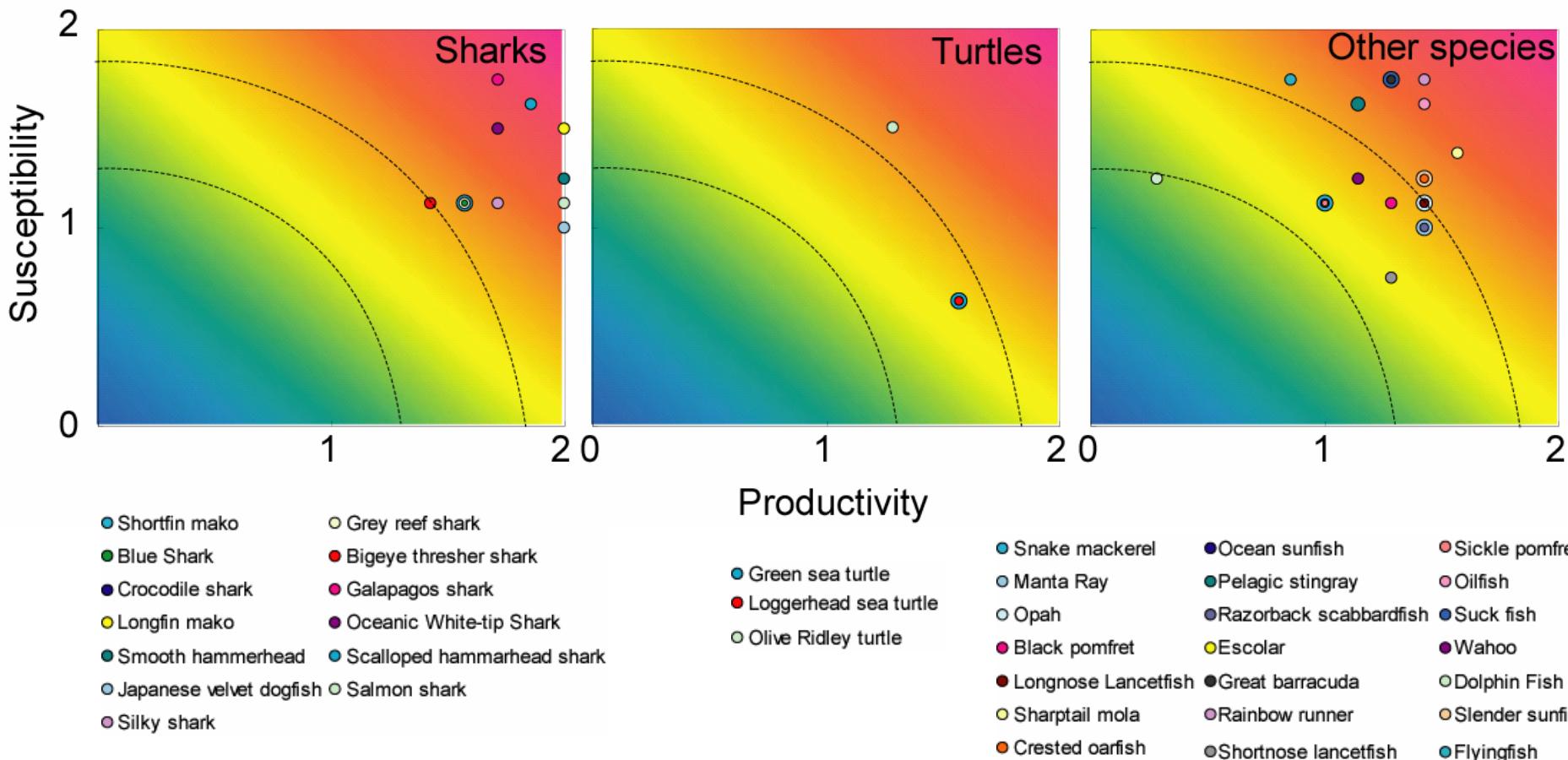
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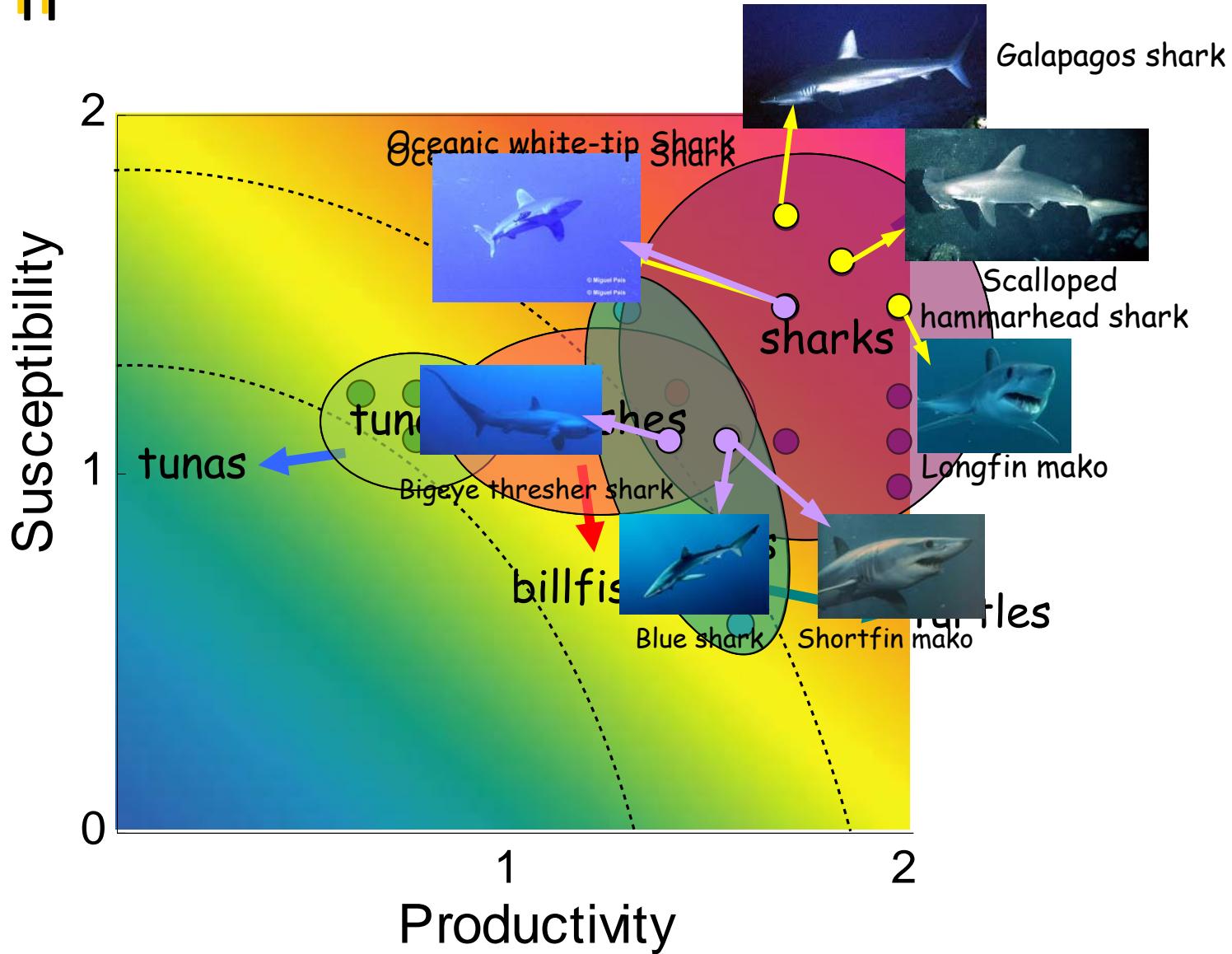
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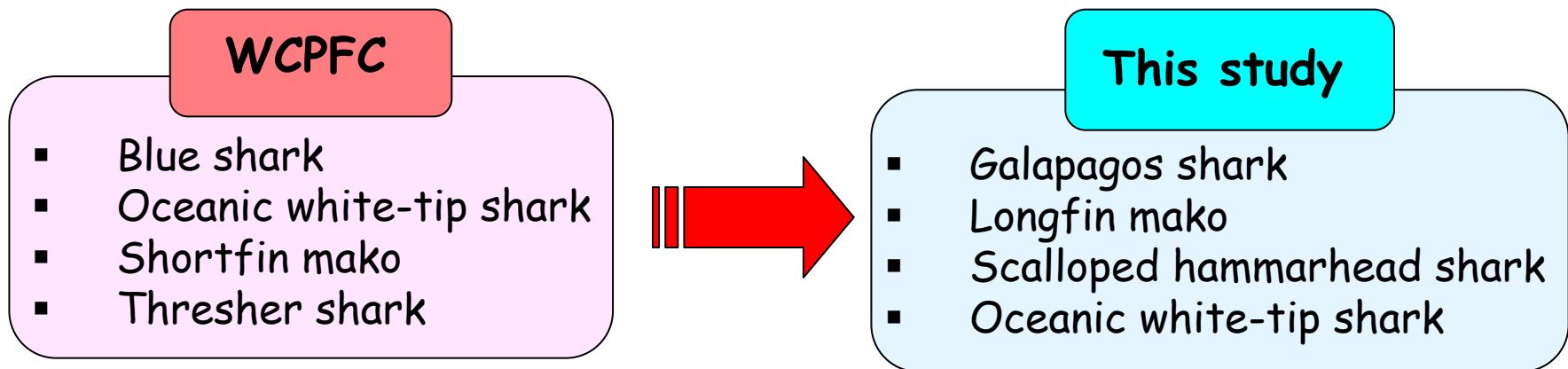
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# Conclusion



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- For reducing non-target species
  - I. Development and improvement of long-term data collection, monitoring and research programmes
  - II. Enhancement and development of methodology
    - more robust assessment
  - III. Identification of captured non-target species by other tuna fisheries such as purse seine or pole-and-line
- Provide wider scientific advices to the policy makers and stakeholders