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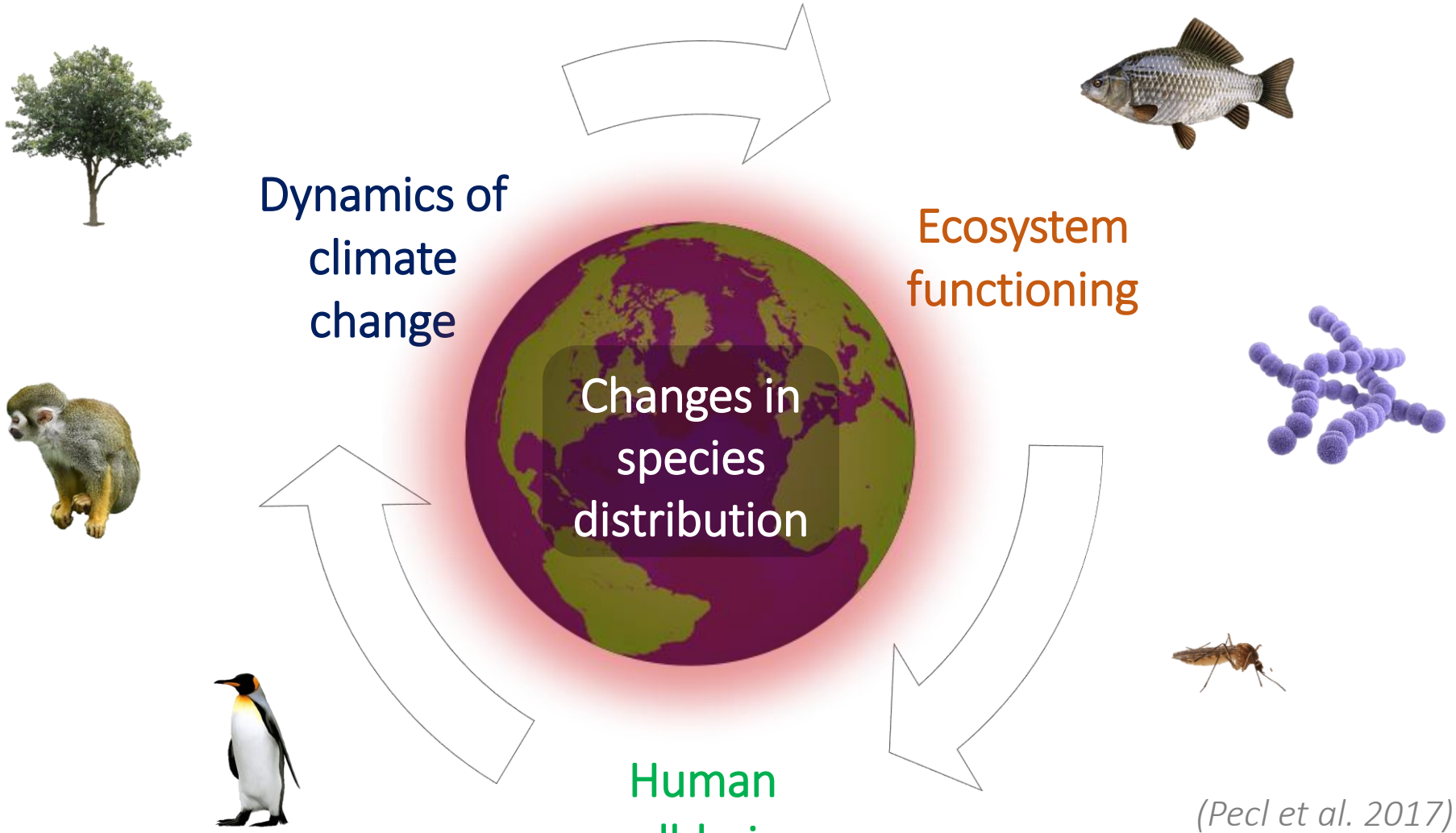
## Ecosystems and human well-being impacted by biodiversity redistribution




*(Pecl et al. 2017)*

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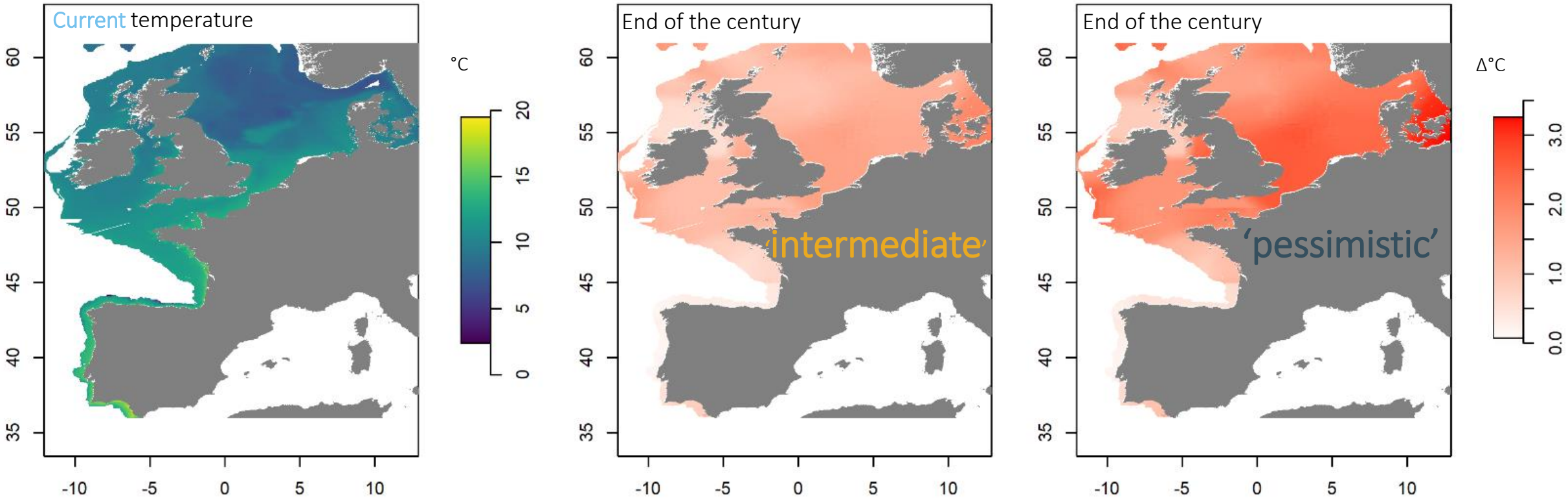


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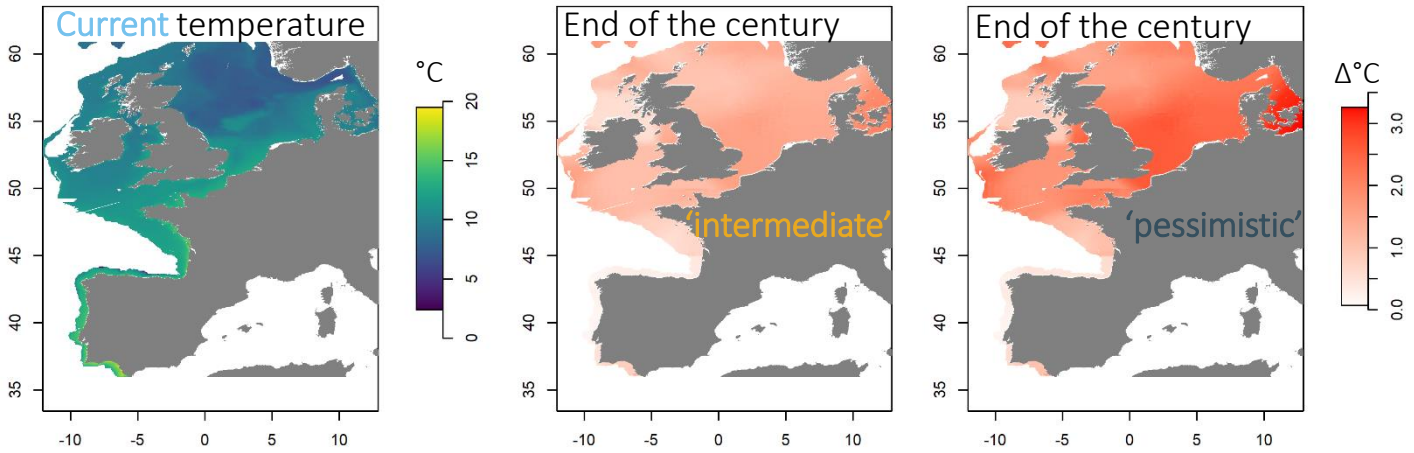


- Biogeographic affinities of marine-estuarine opportunist species *(Yang, 1982)*

Seabass, *Dicentrarchus labrax*

Flounder, *Platichthys flesus*

Plaice, *Pleuronectes platessa*

Common sole, *Solea solea*

**Sub-boreal / temperate**

'Boreal'
(northern, cooler water)

Meagre, *Argyrosomus regius*

Senegalese sole, *Solea senegalensis*

**Sub-tropical**

'Lusitanian'
(southern, warm water)

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# Main working hypotheses

- Core and margins shifts of future environment suitability distributions (poleward range shifts, deepening, distance from the coasts)

- More evident shifts expected for sub-tropical species than for sub-boreal/temperate species

- More evident shifts expected under the ‘pessimistic’ than under the ‘intermediate’ climate scenario

# Methodological approach

- ‘Hierarchical filters’ concept = combining the predictions of both final biomod2 ensemble forecasting

- Combination of

  Large-scale and time-varying bioclimatic variables

  Fine grained and no-time varying habitat variables

(Thuiller et al. 2009 ; Hattab et al. 2014 ; Fournier et al. 2017 ; Ben Rais Lasram et al. 2020)

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## Participatory occurrence data

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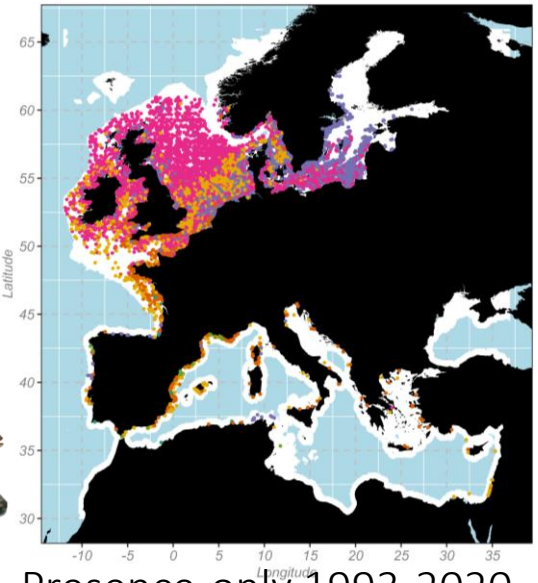


GBIF Global Biodiversity Information Facility

OBIS OCEAN BIOGEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM

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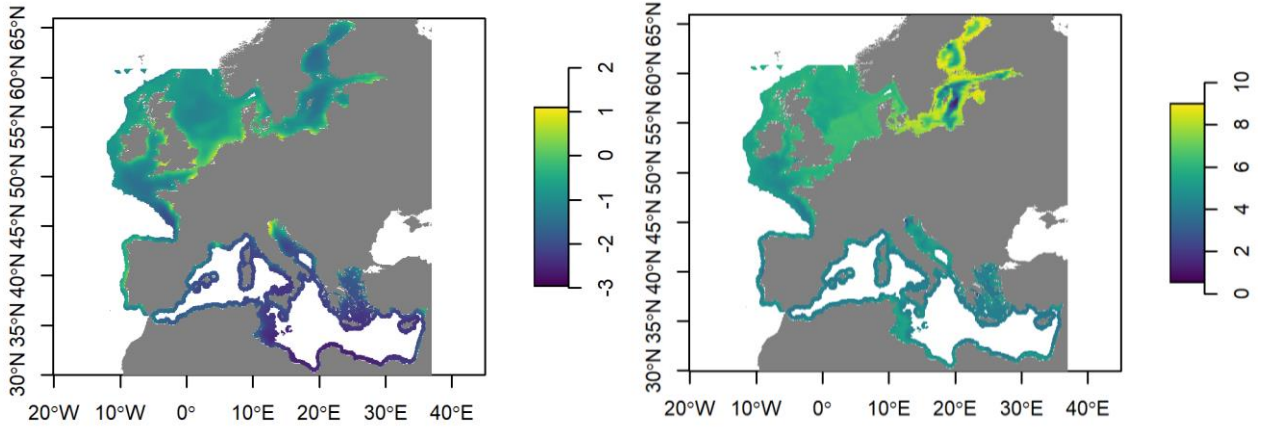


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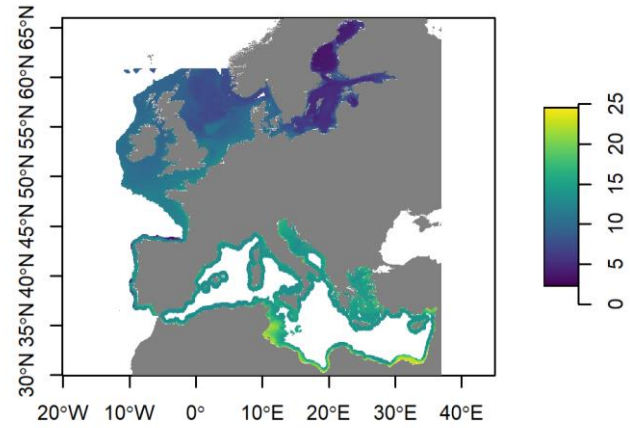


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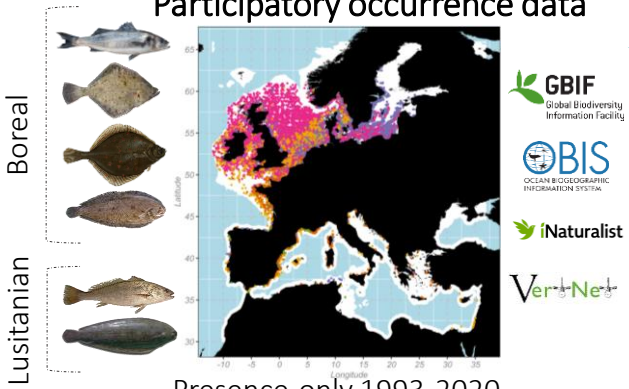


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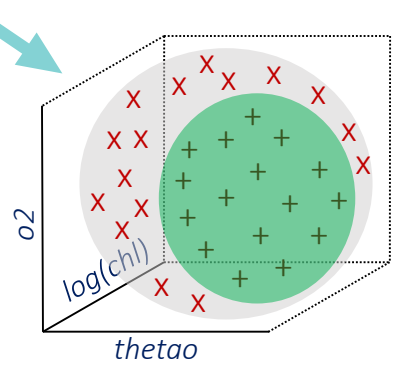


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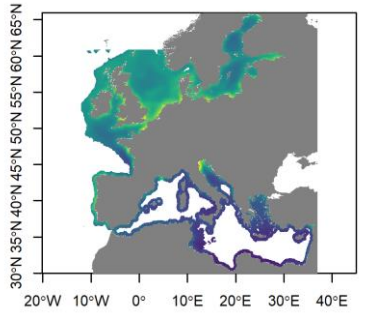

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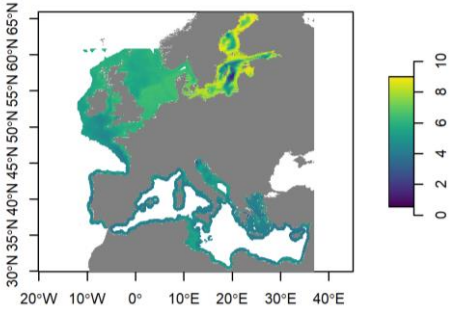

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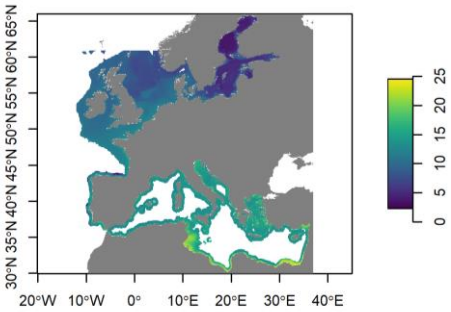

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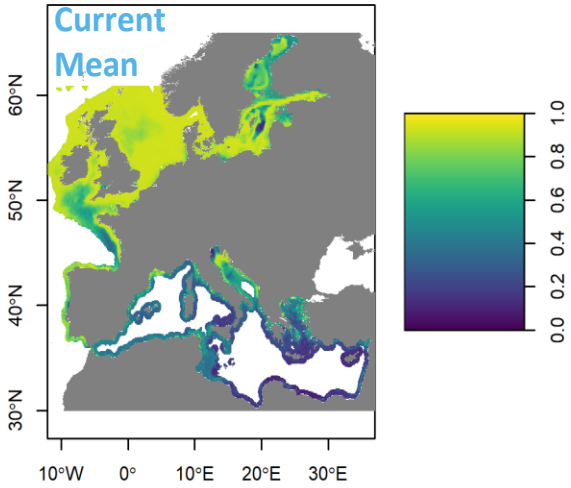


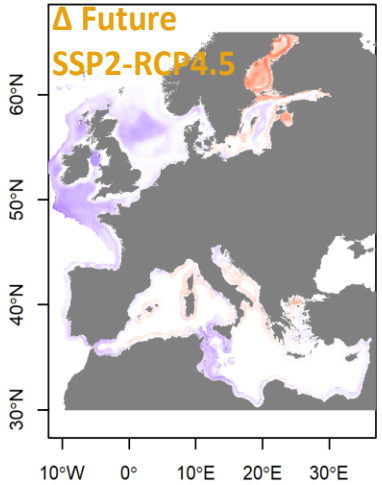


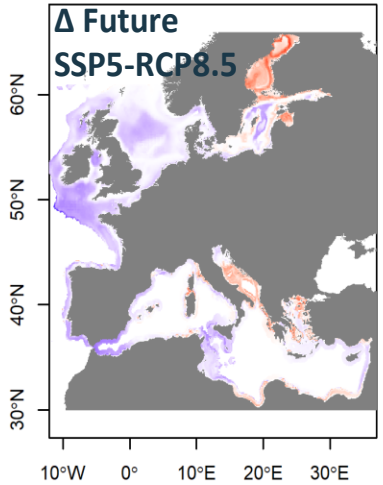


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1993-2020 for calibration
2001-2020 for the current distribution projection
2080-2099 for the future distribution projection
under two climate scenarios:
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## Scientific & fishing data

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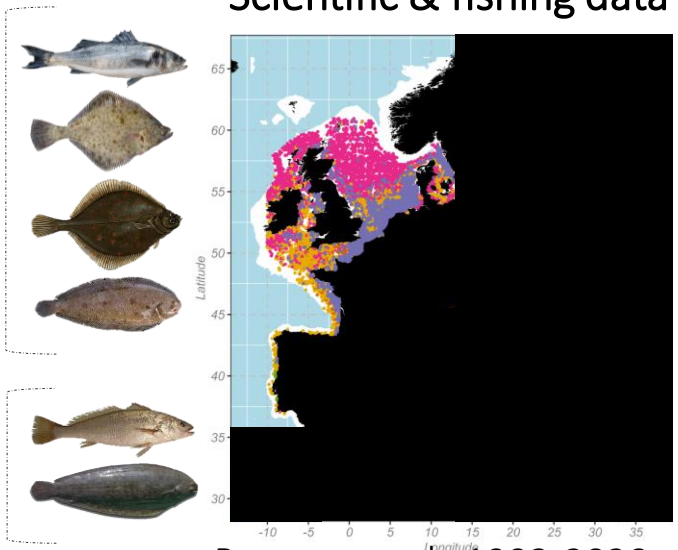


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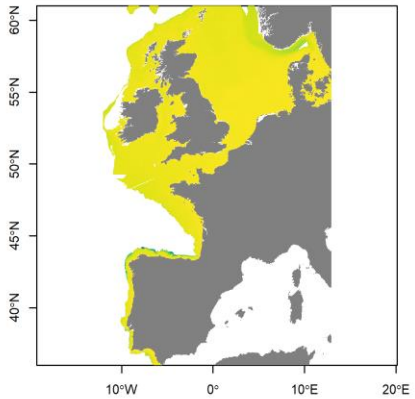


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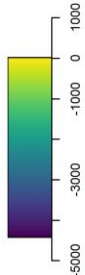


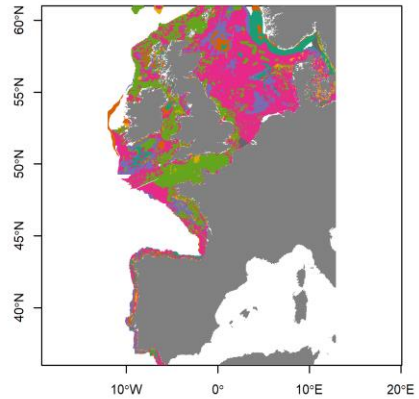


Seabed type


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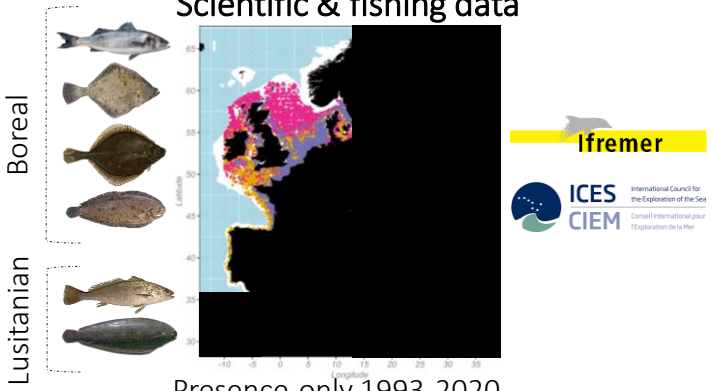


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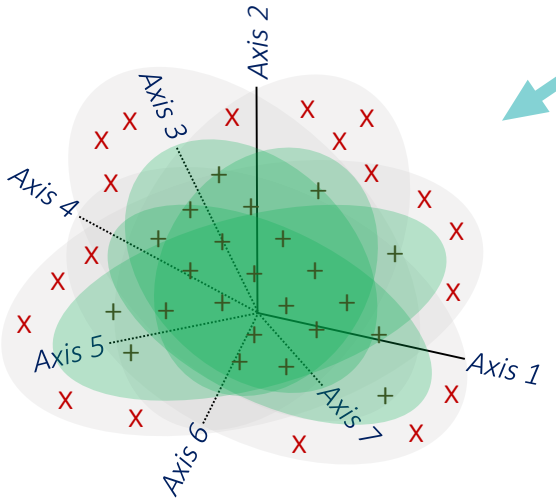


Principal Component Analysis of mixed data
*(Hill & Smith, 1976)*
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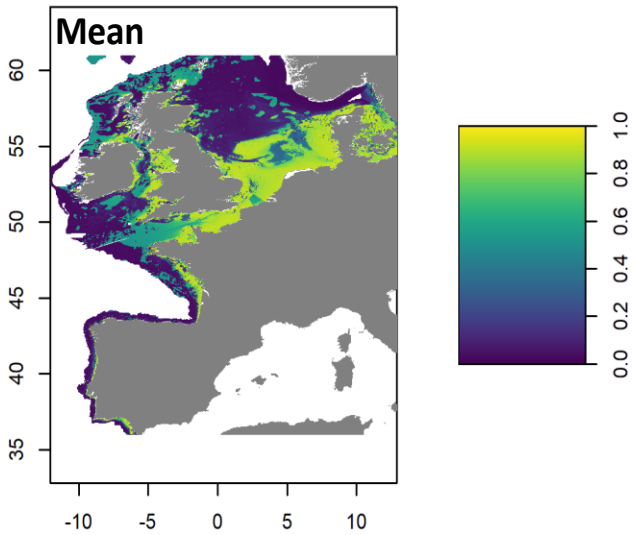


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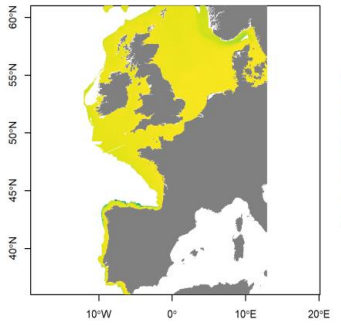

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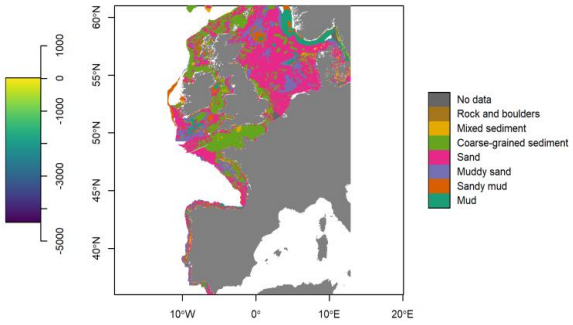


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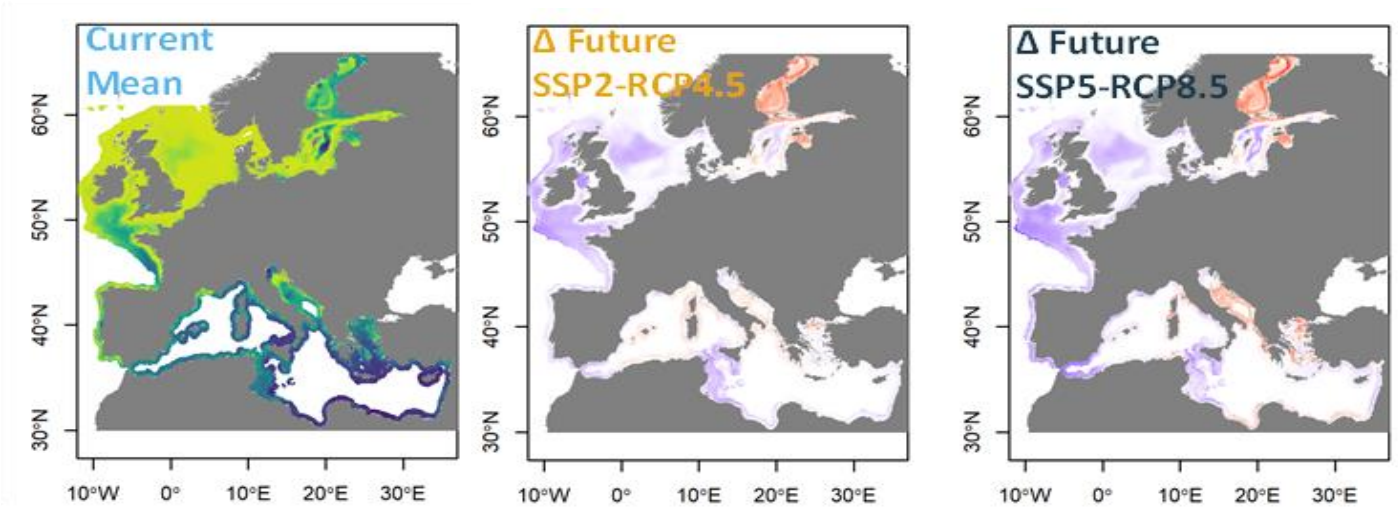


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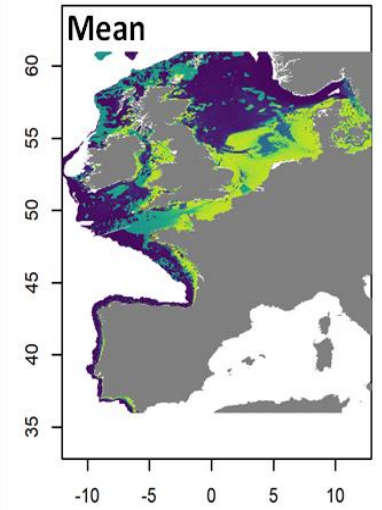

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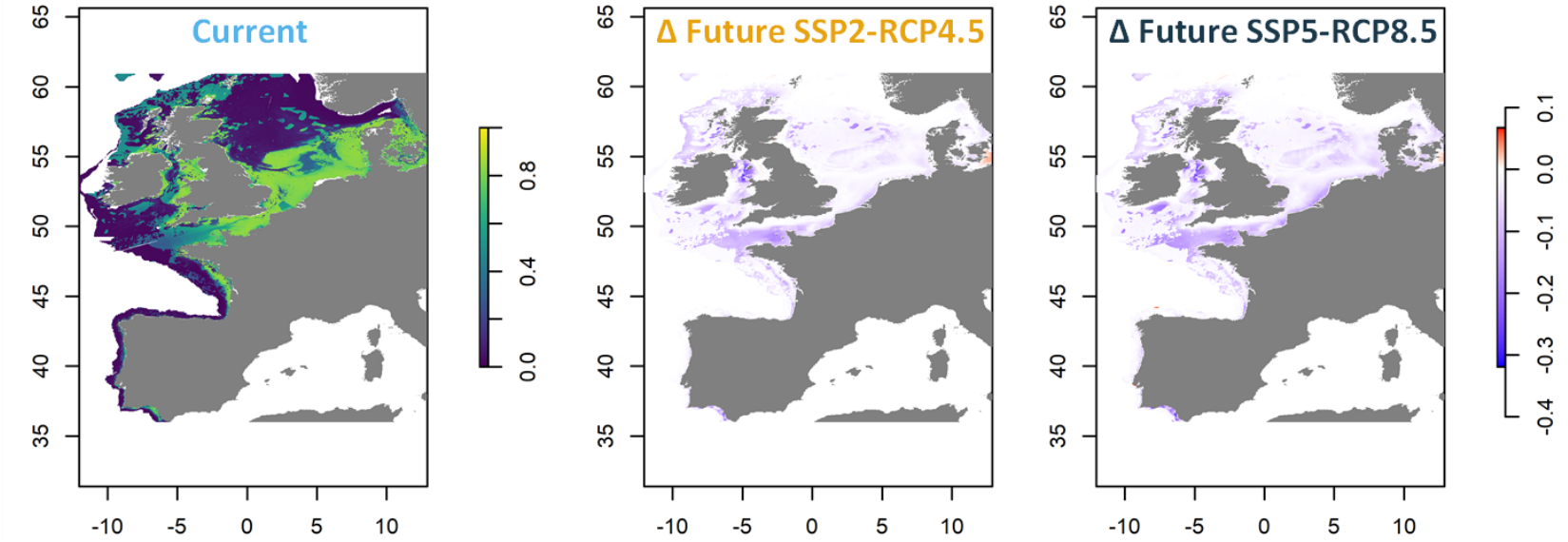


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# Indicators of distribution shifts in environment suitability

Directionality and displacement shifts for geographic coordinates / distance to the nearest coast / bathymetry / bioclimatic variables of the Centres Of Gravity of

- **Distributions (COGDs)** (variables mean weighted by probabilistic predictions)
  - ⇨ **core distribution where bioclimatic conditions assumed to be suitable**
- **leading edge Expansions (COGEs)** (variables mean of cells whose $\Delta > 0$ weighted by $\Delta$ values)
  - ⇨ **core areas where environment suitability ↗**
- **trailing edge Contractions (COGcs)** (variables mean of cells whose $\Delta < 0$ weighted by $\Delta$ values)
  - ⇨ **core areas where environment suitability ↘**

*(Hiddink et al. 2014 ; Thorson et al. 2016 ; Friedland et al. 2018, 2021 ; Pinsky et al. 2020)*

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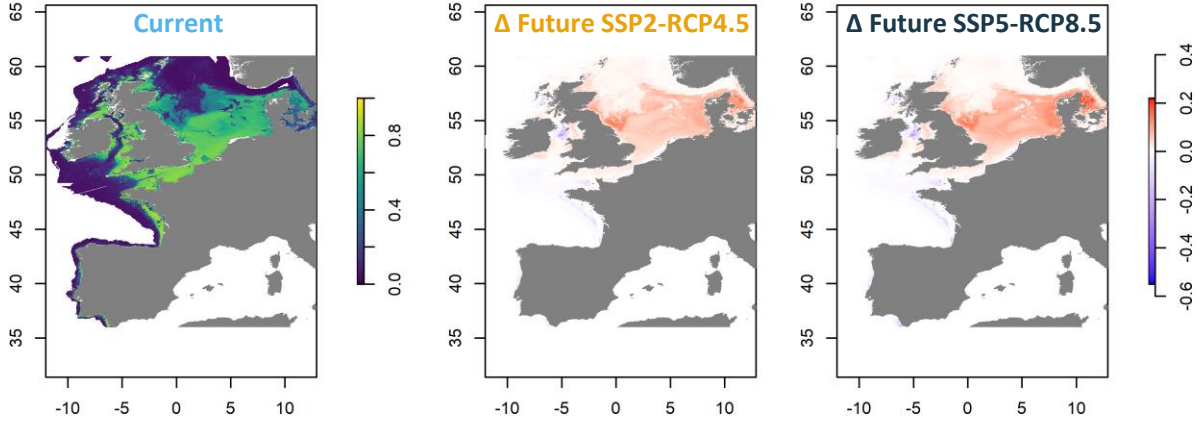
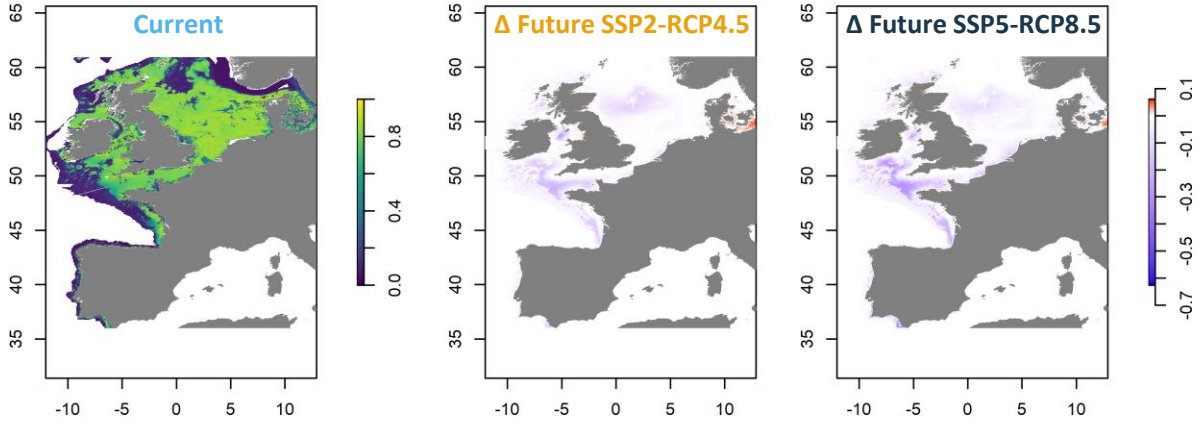
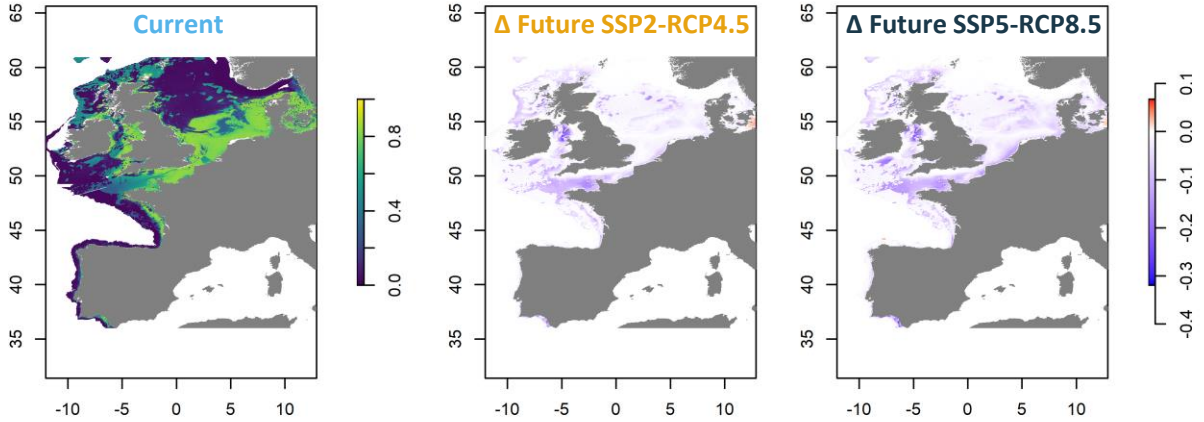



*Pleuronectes platessa*




*Platichthys flesus*

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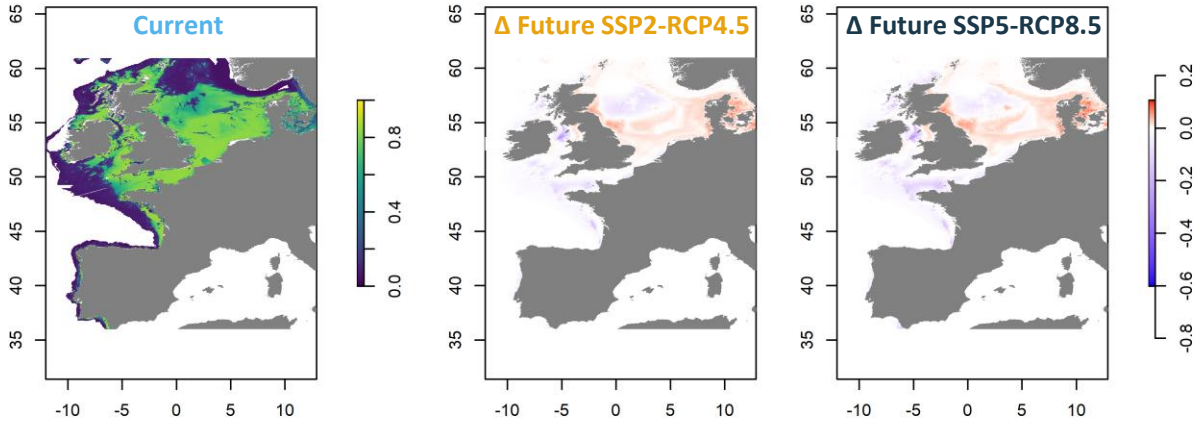
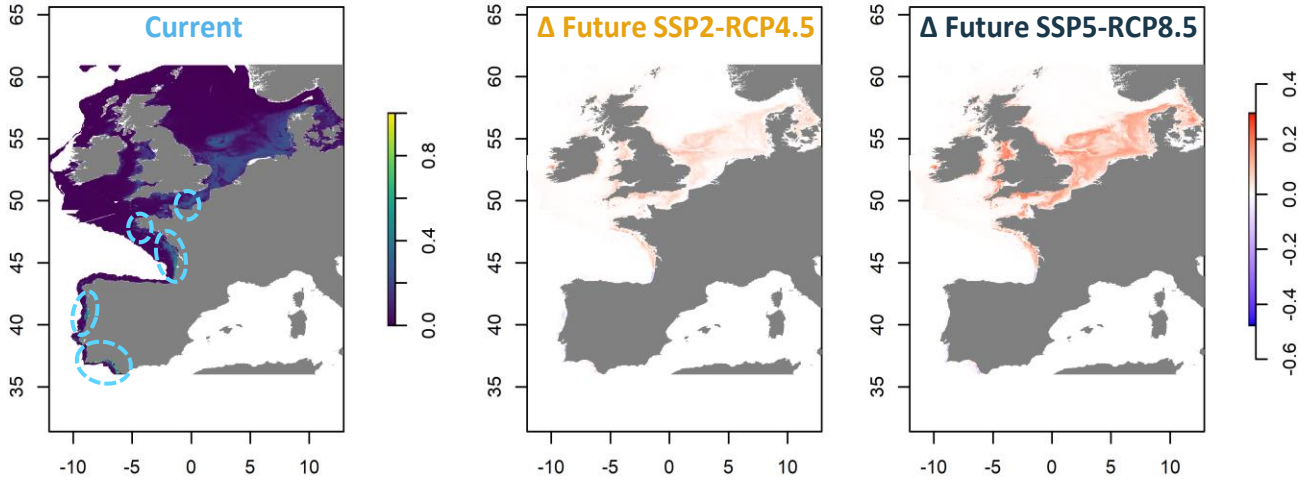


*Argyrosomus regius*

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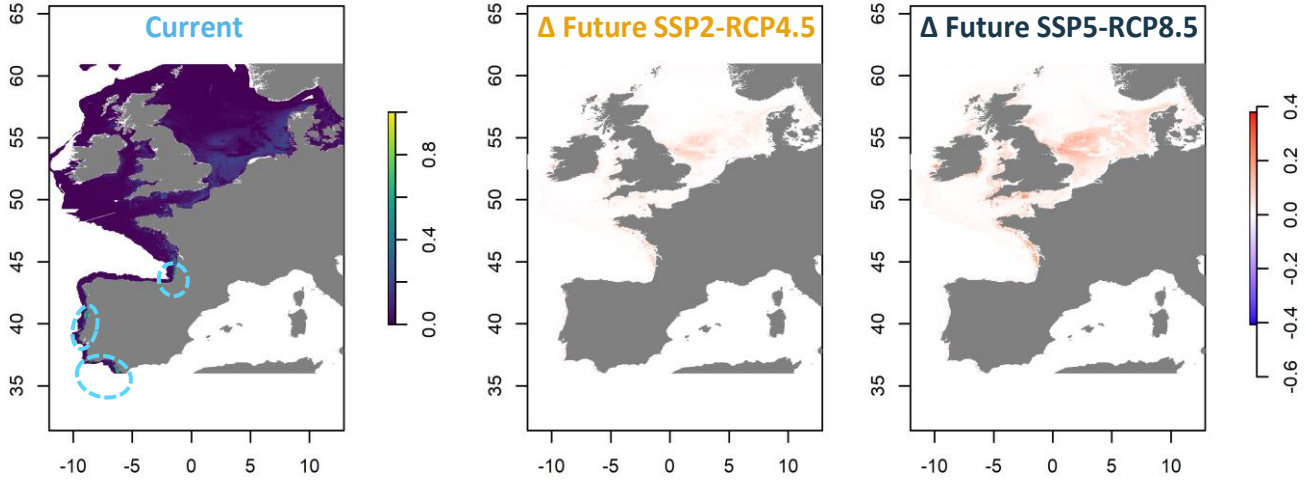


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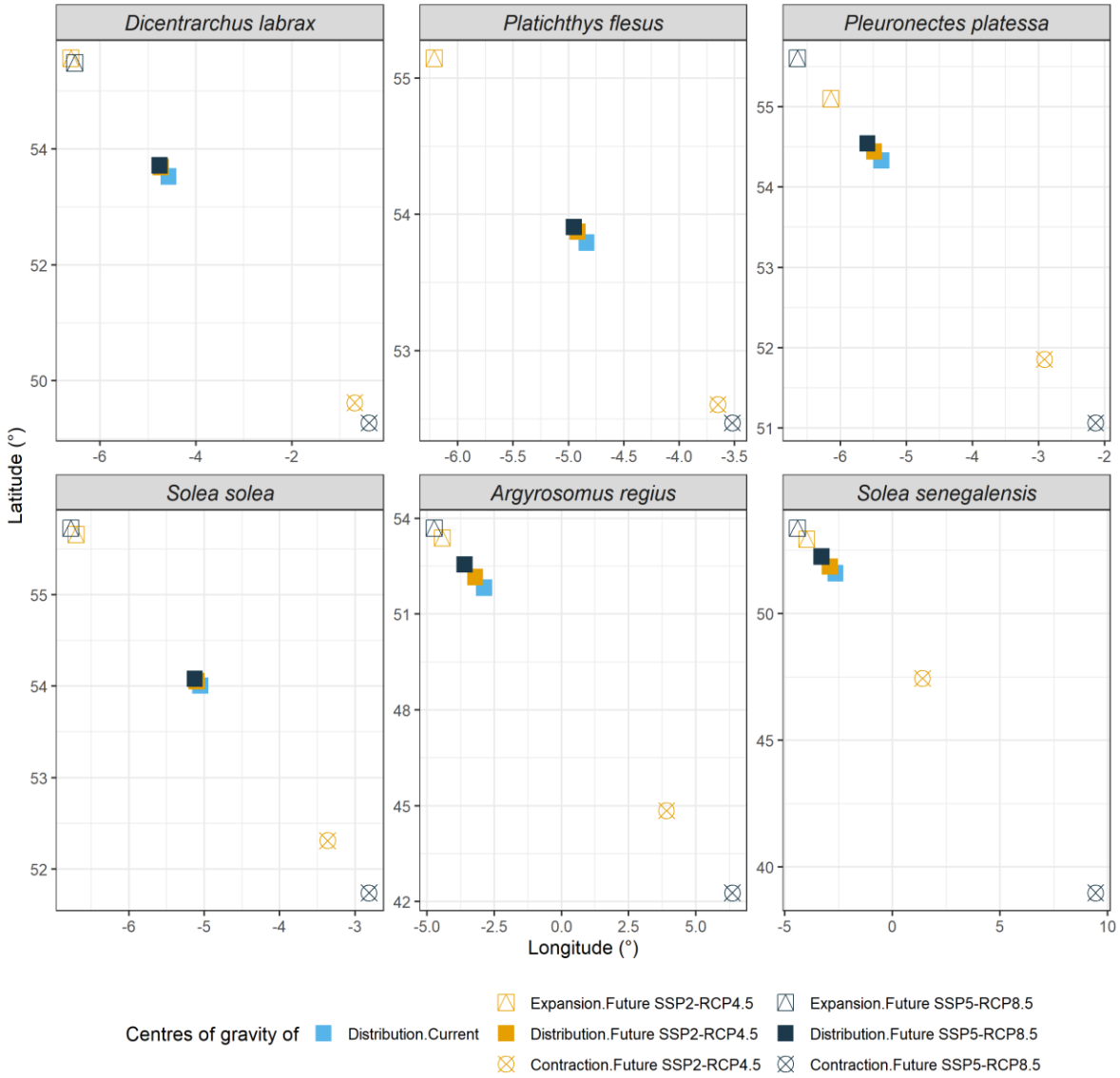
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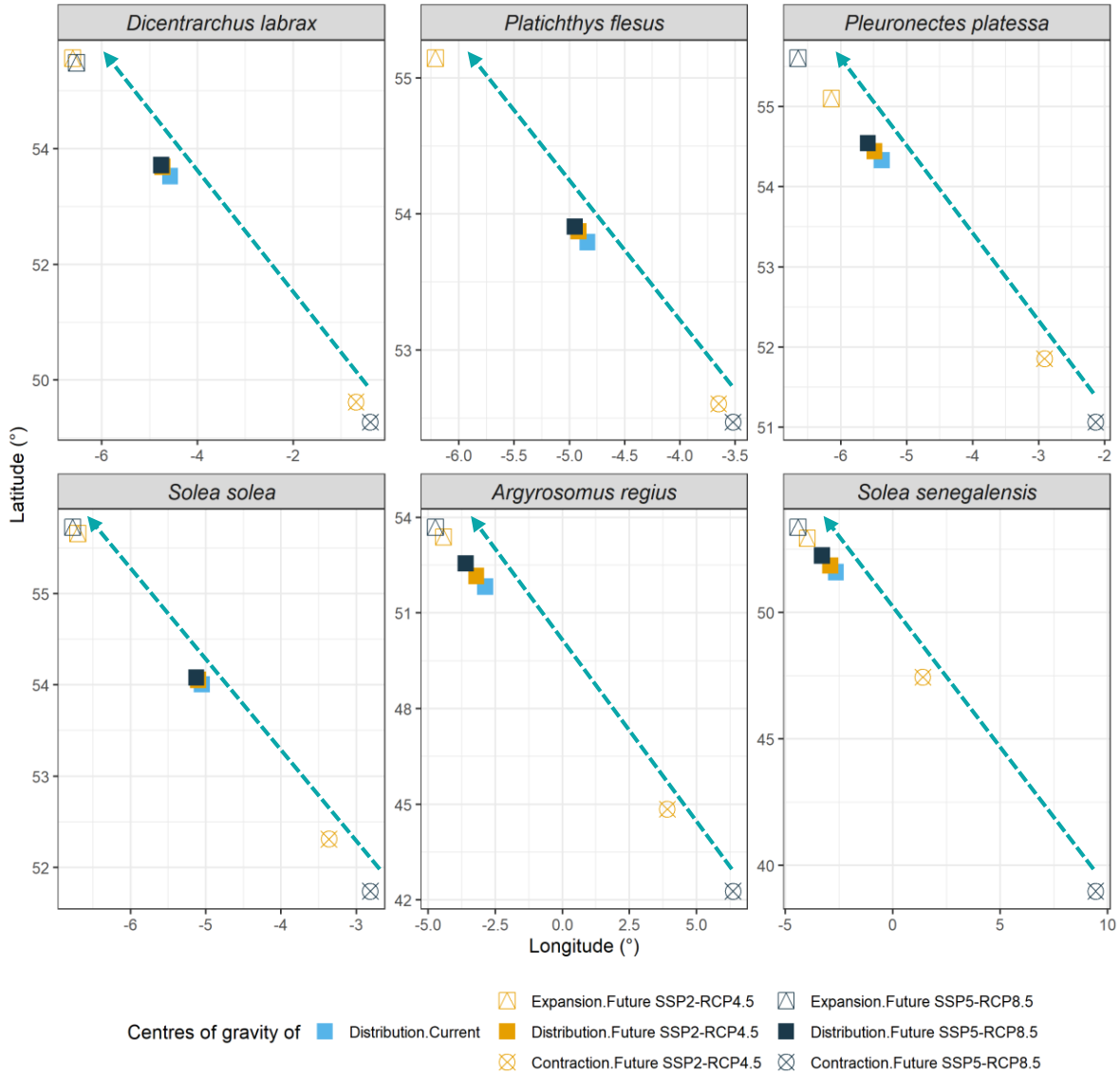


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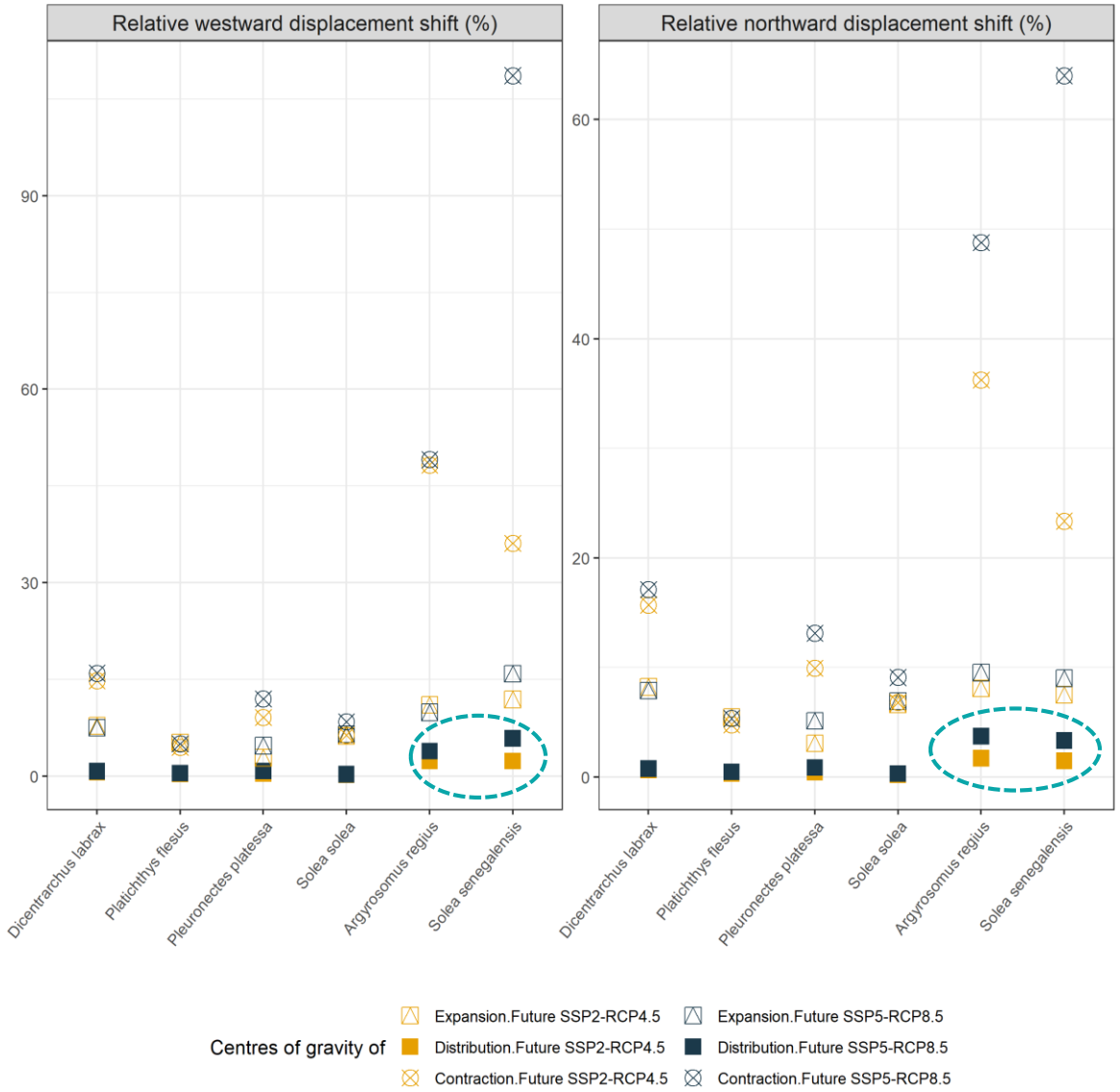


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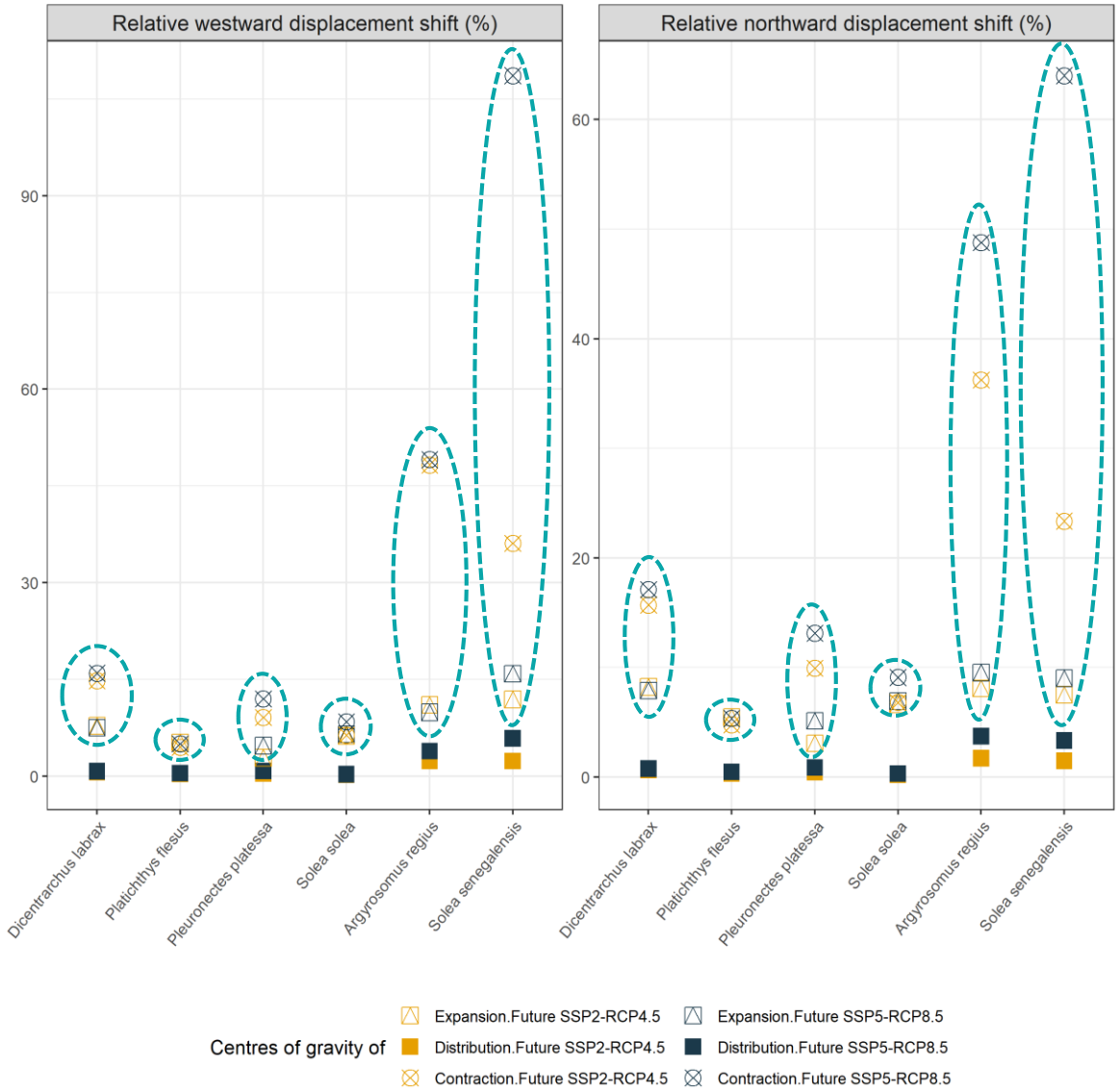


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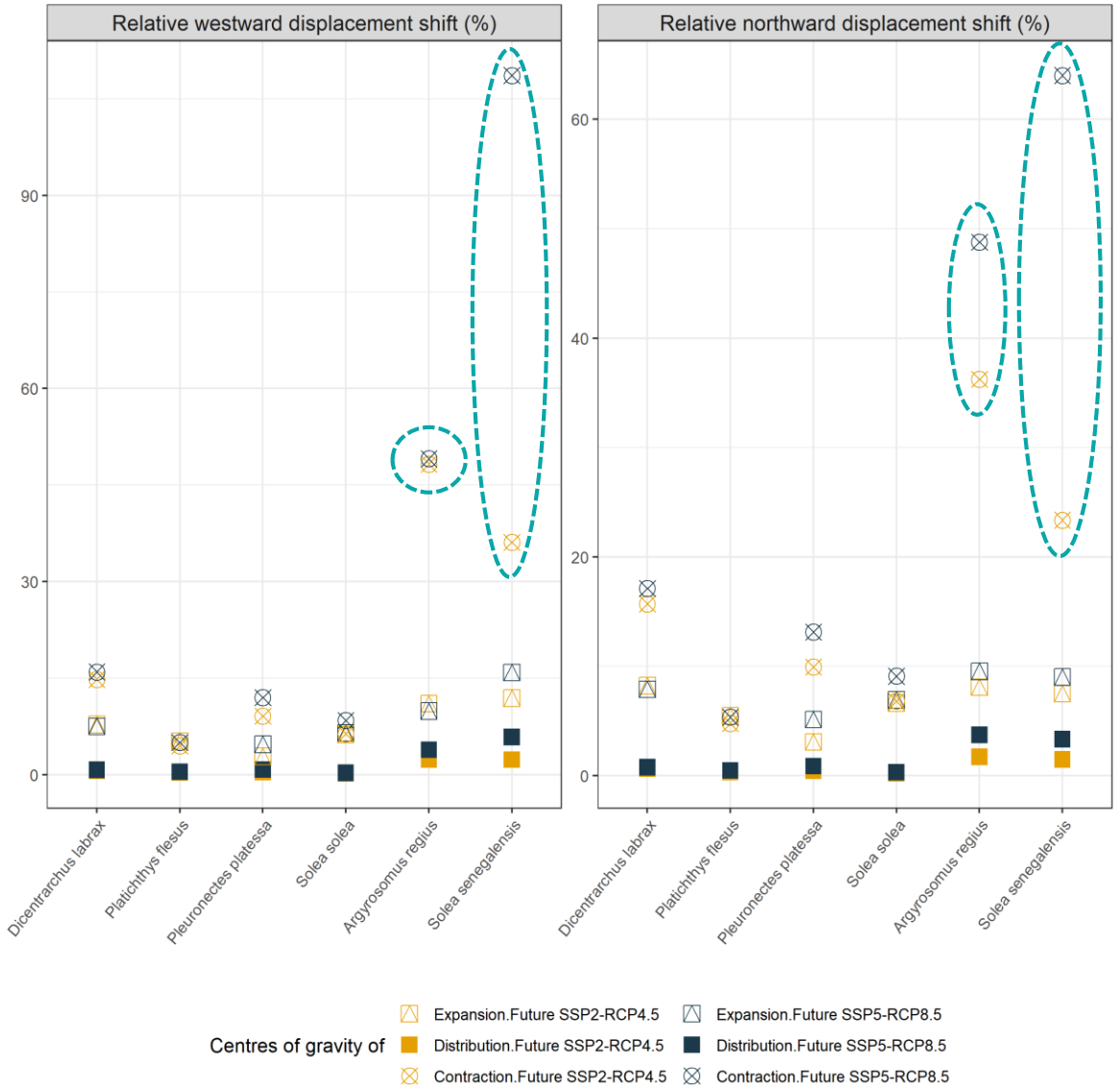


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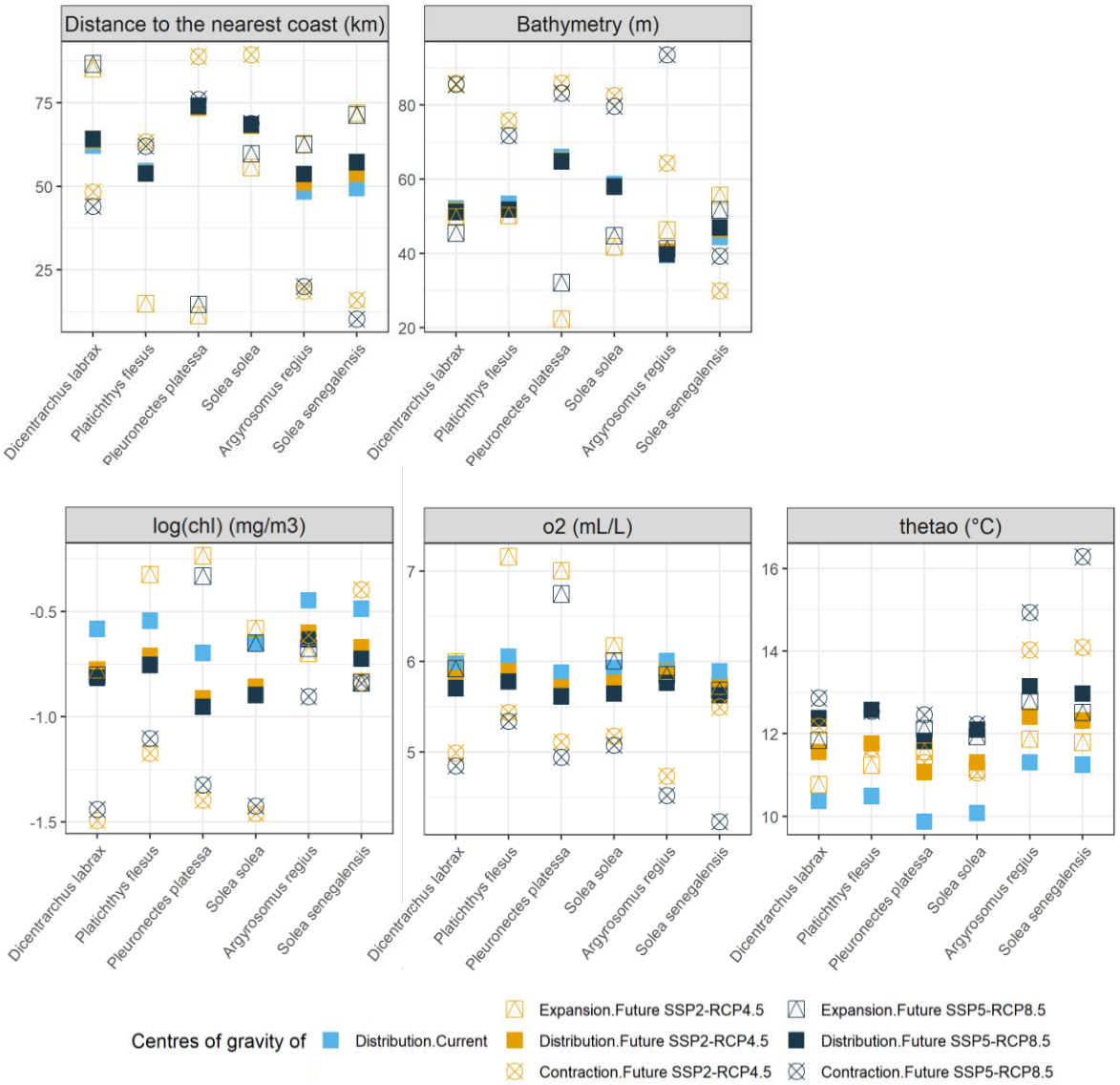


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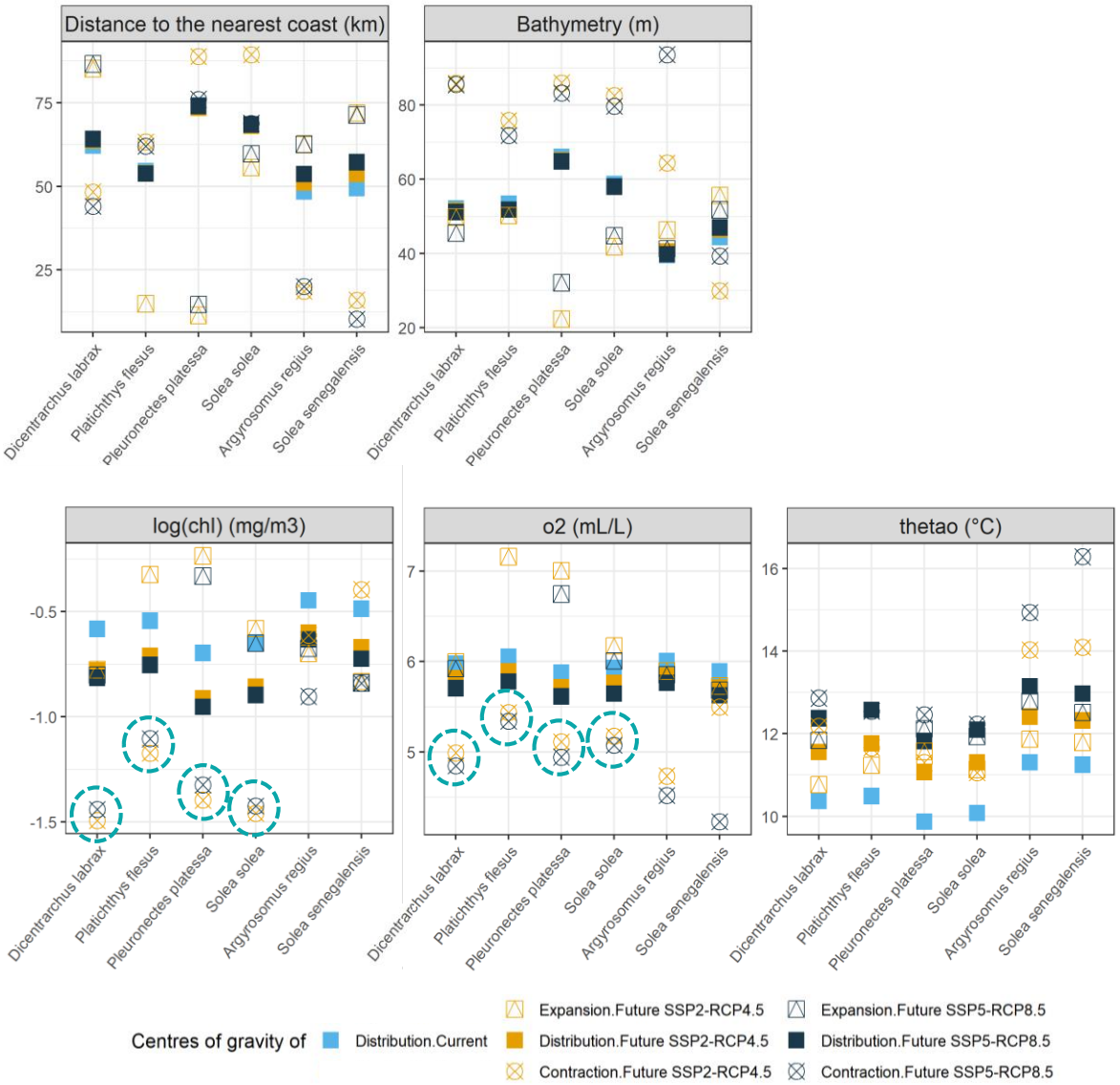


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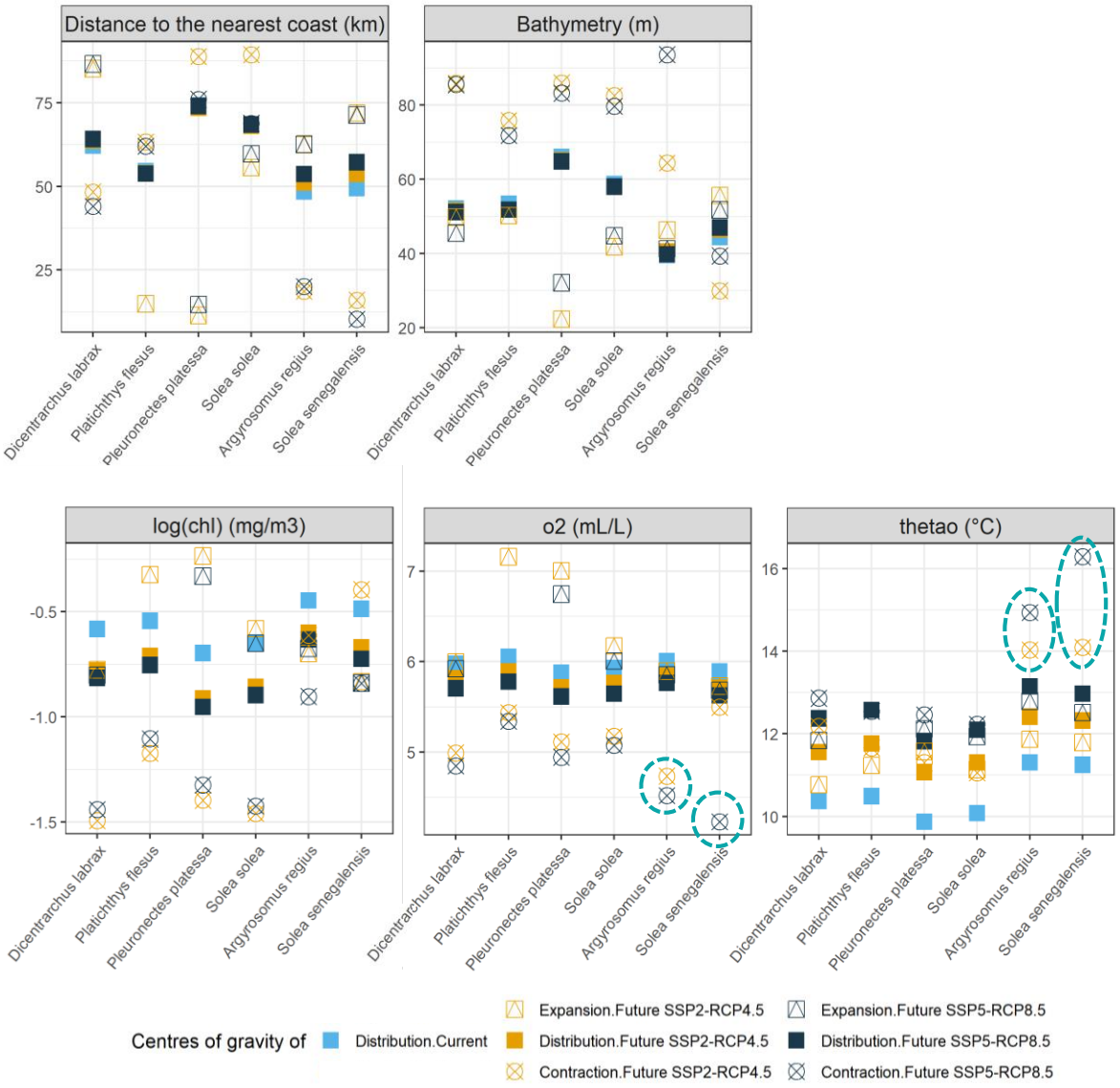


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# Main conclusions and perspectives

- **Climate change induce a significant northwestward shift** of in probabilistic environmental suitability predictions (as also reported for other fish species: Perry et al. 2005 ; Dulvy et al. 2008 ; Chust et al. 2018)

- **Effects of climate change differ depending on the species** affinity, and may be **indirect** (due to the effects of temperature on chlorophyll-a and dissolved oxygen)

- The dynamics of **changes in boundaries more intense and complex** compared to changes in centres of distributions (Hastings et al. 2018 ; Pinsky et al. 2020)

- Future research will use **Hierarchical Modelling** of Species Communities (inclusion of the influence of biotic and random processes, species-specific life history traits and inter-species phylogenetic relationships), **Hybrid models** (inclusion of species-dispersal capacities and population dynamics' parameters) and **Models of connectivity** (between marine and estuarine environments to evaluate novel fish assemblage in nursery habitats).

# Thank you for your attention