



IS IT POSSIBLE TO INFLUENCE METABOLIC PROCESS OF EUROPEAN SEA BASS JUVENILES BY A NUTRITIONAL CONDITIONING DURING LARVAL STAGE ?

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Natural fish stocks

Nowadays



Carnivorous marine fish are mainly fed with fish meals and oils

BUT fish aquaculture ↗ and natural fish stocks ↘

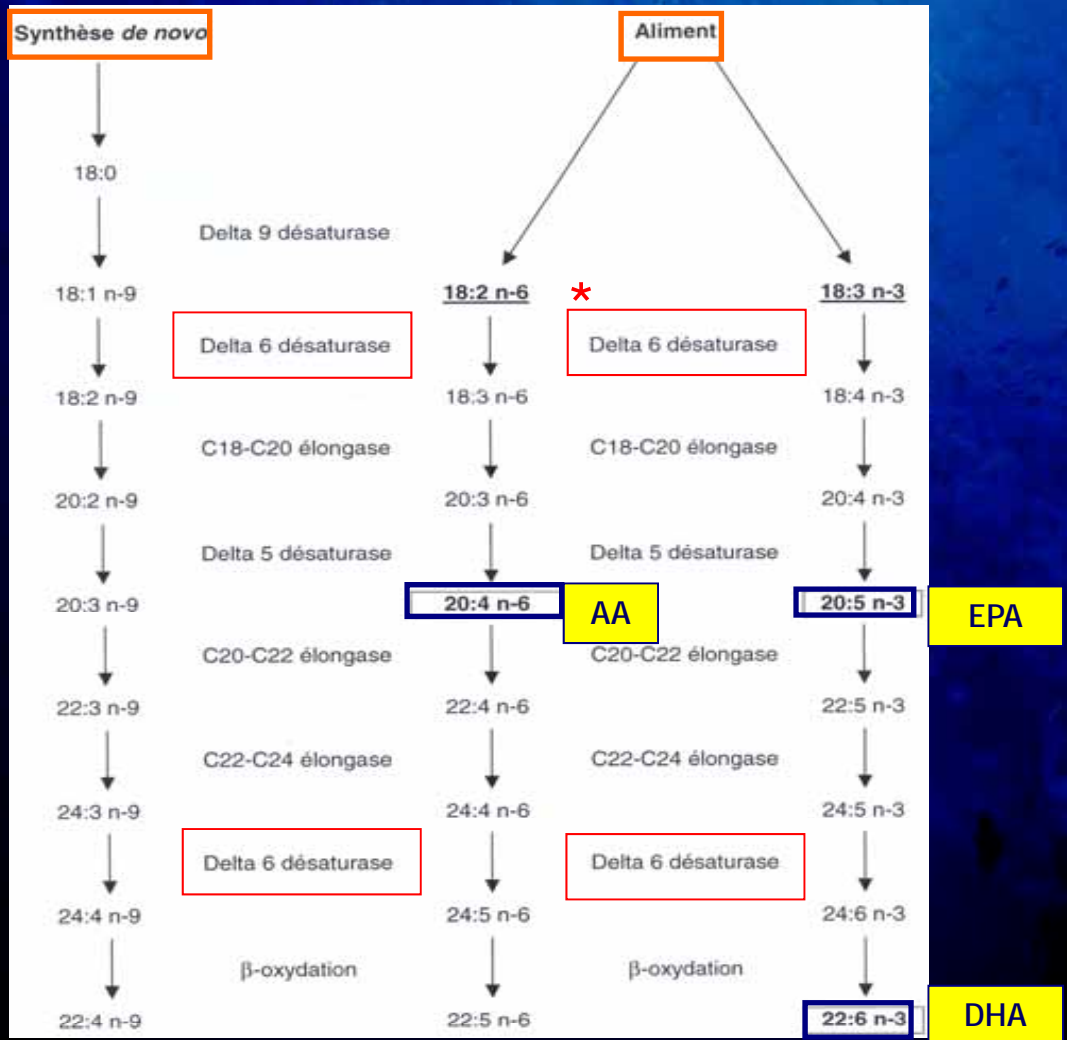


Substitution of fish lipid sources with vegetable lipid sources



Disadvantages of vegetable products:

- Not adapted to the requirement in essential fatty acids (HUFA):
rich in C18 fatty acids (i.e. HUFA precursors) BUT poor in HUFA (EPA, DHA)
- Low capacity for marine fish to convert C18 FA into HUFA, in particular because of the low expression of the Delta-6 desaturase (D6D)



High interest in **producing fish**, which could better incorporate vegetable products.

BUT HOW ?

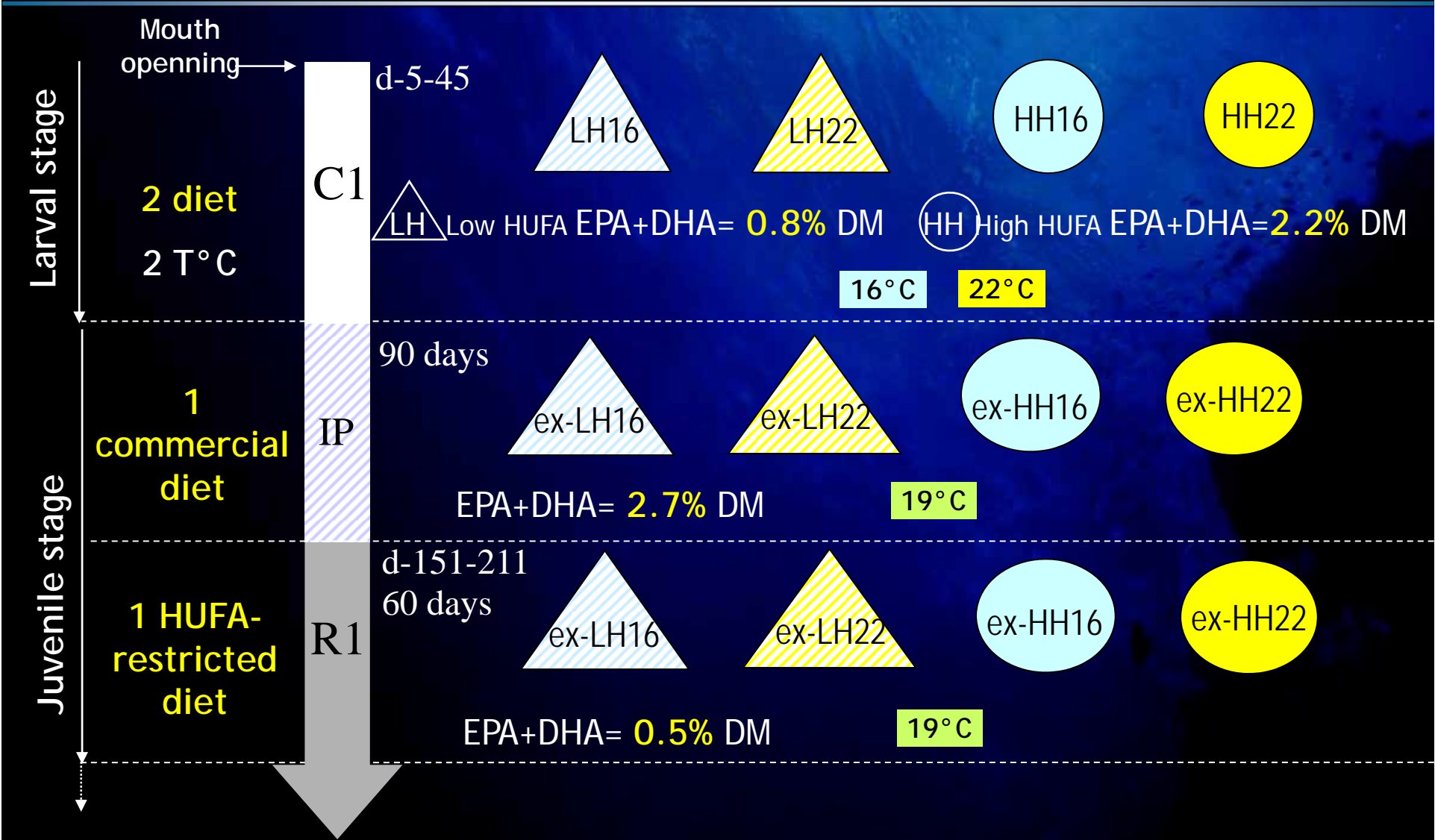
Could it be possible using the **concept of metabolic programming ?**

Adaptive process at a cellular, molecular and biochemical levels occurring during **young stages**, and then **maintained in further developmental stages** and potentially transmissible to the offspring (Lucas, 1998)

- Is it possible in sea bass to orient physiological process of juveniles by a larval conditioning to dietary vegetable products, characterized by a low HUFA content?

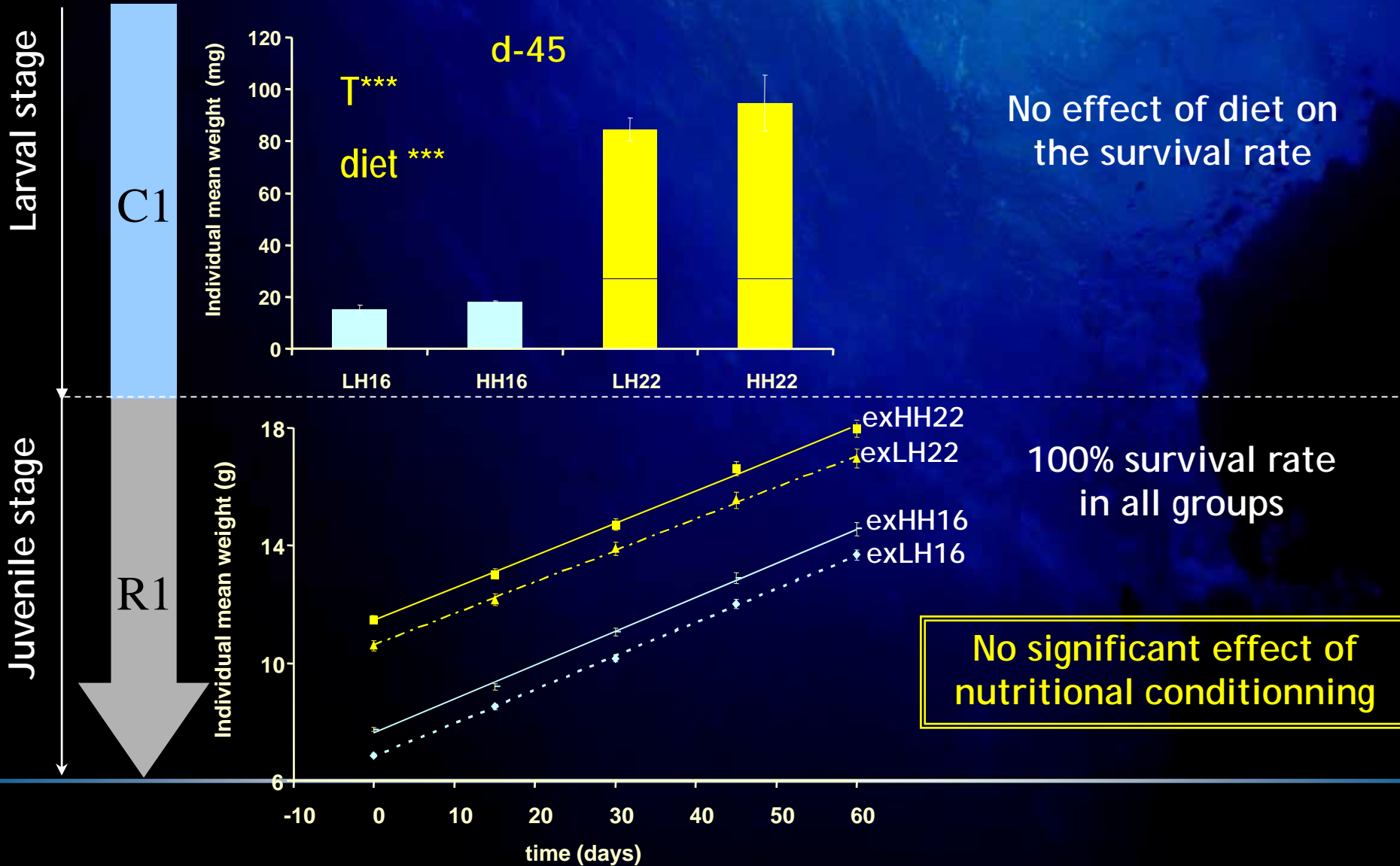
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1. Experimental design



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2. Growth performances

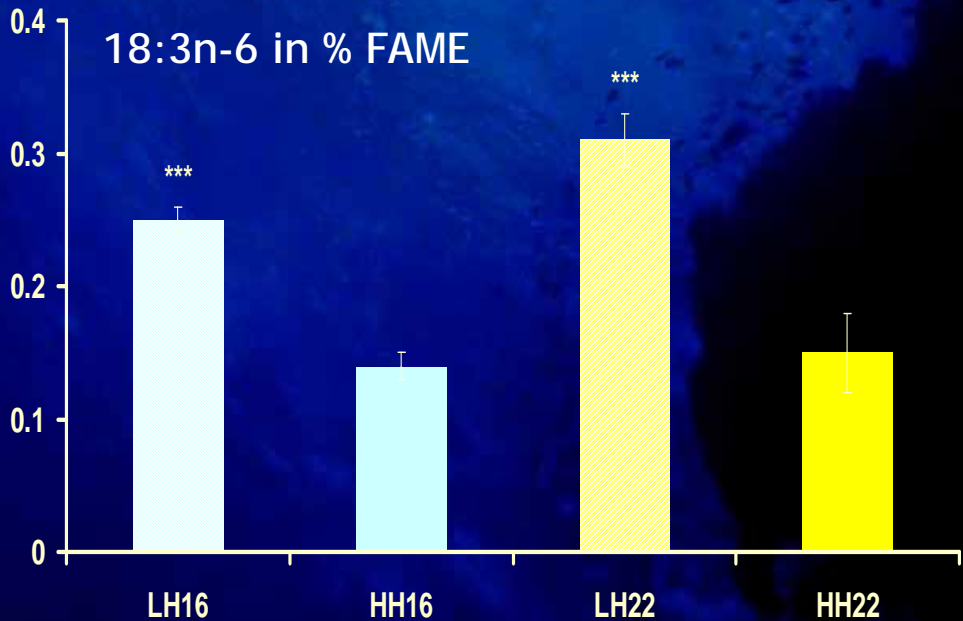
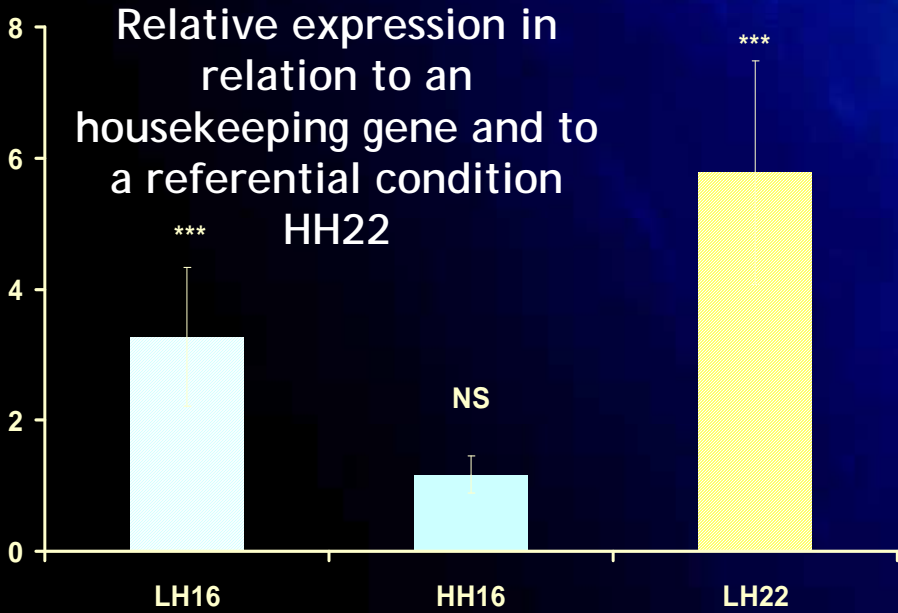




5. Lipid metabolism in larvae

D6D mRNA level at d-45

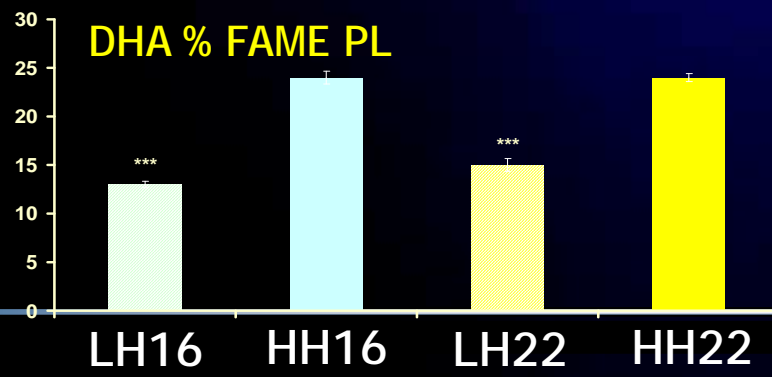
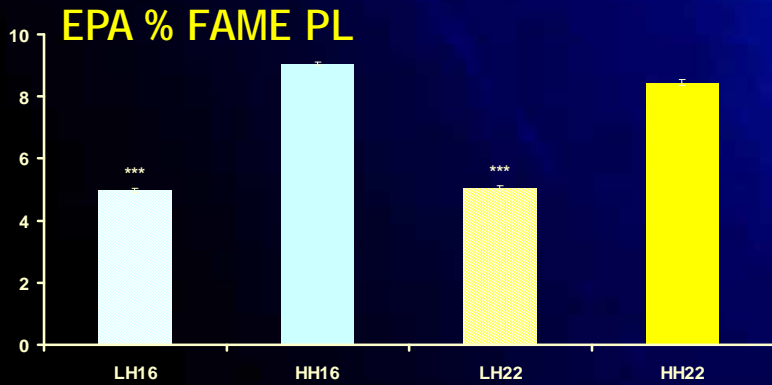
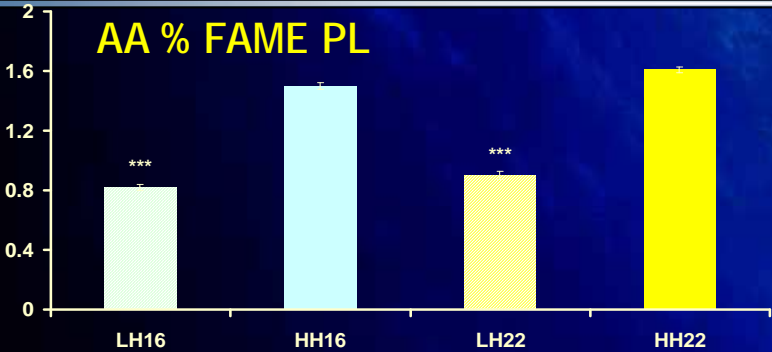
D6D Desaturation product at d-45 :
18:3n-6 in PL



Stimulation of desaturation pathways for HUFA synthesis, without any effect of temperature



5. Lipid metabolism in larvae

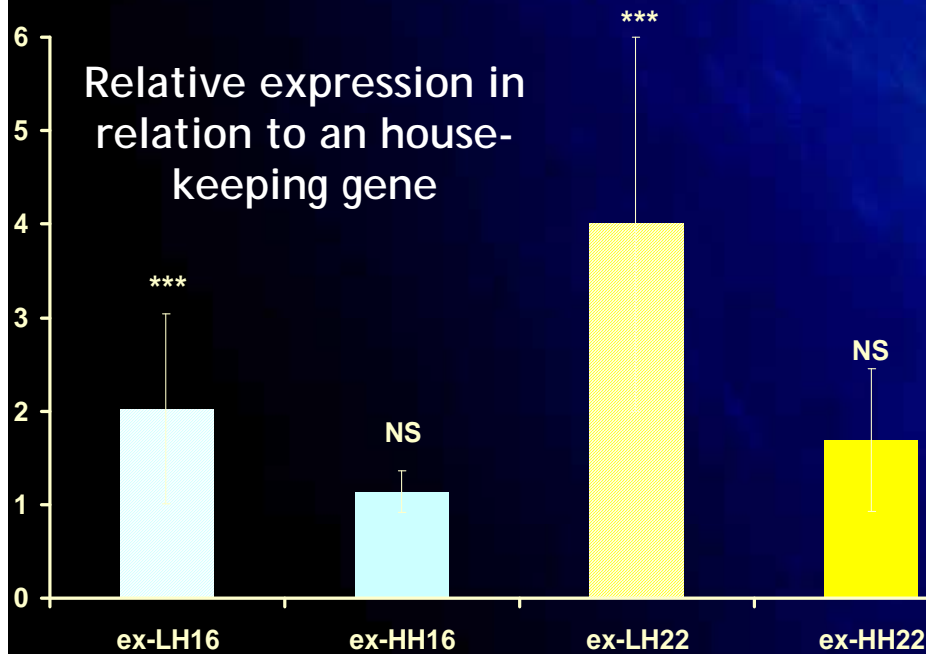


HUFA deficiency

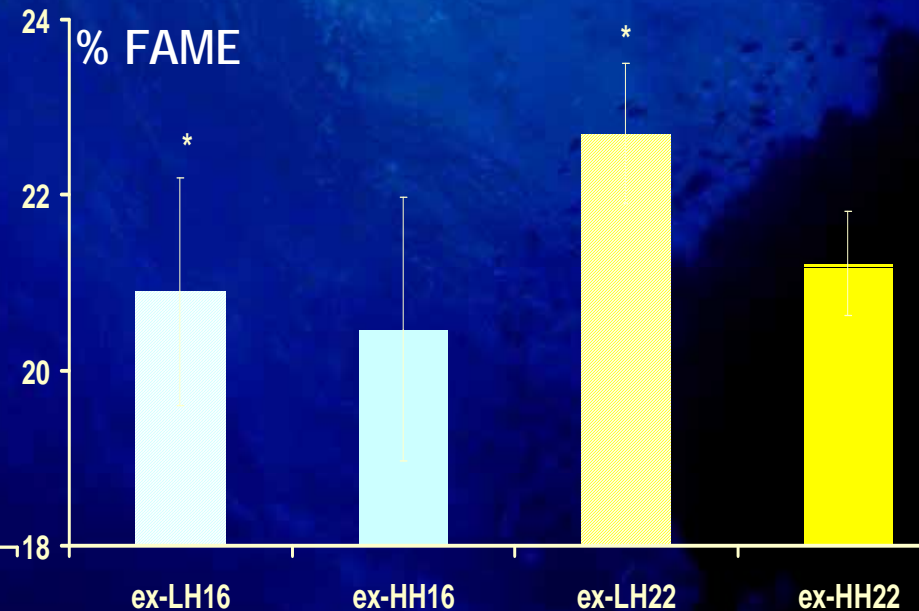


6. Lipid metabolism in juveniles

D6 mRNA level - 1st part of the challenge



PL final composition in DHA



- Significant effect of larval conditioning
- BUT transient (30 days)
- Better capacity of ex-LH groups to adapt to a low-HUFA diet
- BUT with a low amplitude
- NS for EPA

7. Conclusions

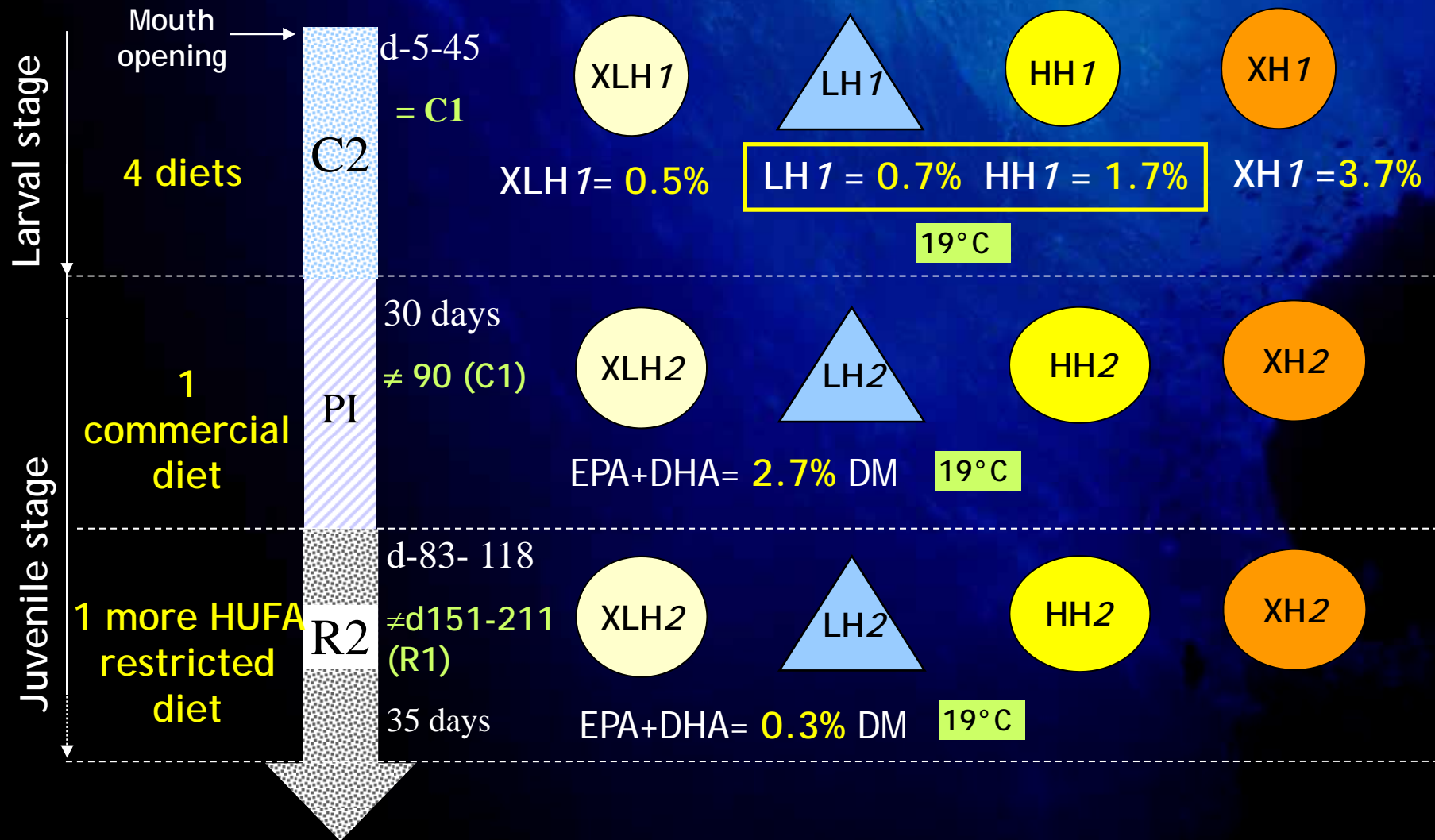
POSSIBLE to influence fatty acid desaturation pathways for HUFA synthesis in juveniles, using a nutritional conditioning during larval stage, without any effect of temperature on the capacity of FA desaturation (- 30% of HUFA requirement)

BUT this modulation seems to be limited

Is it possible to obtain a response with a larger magnitude?

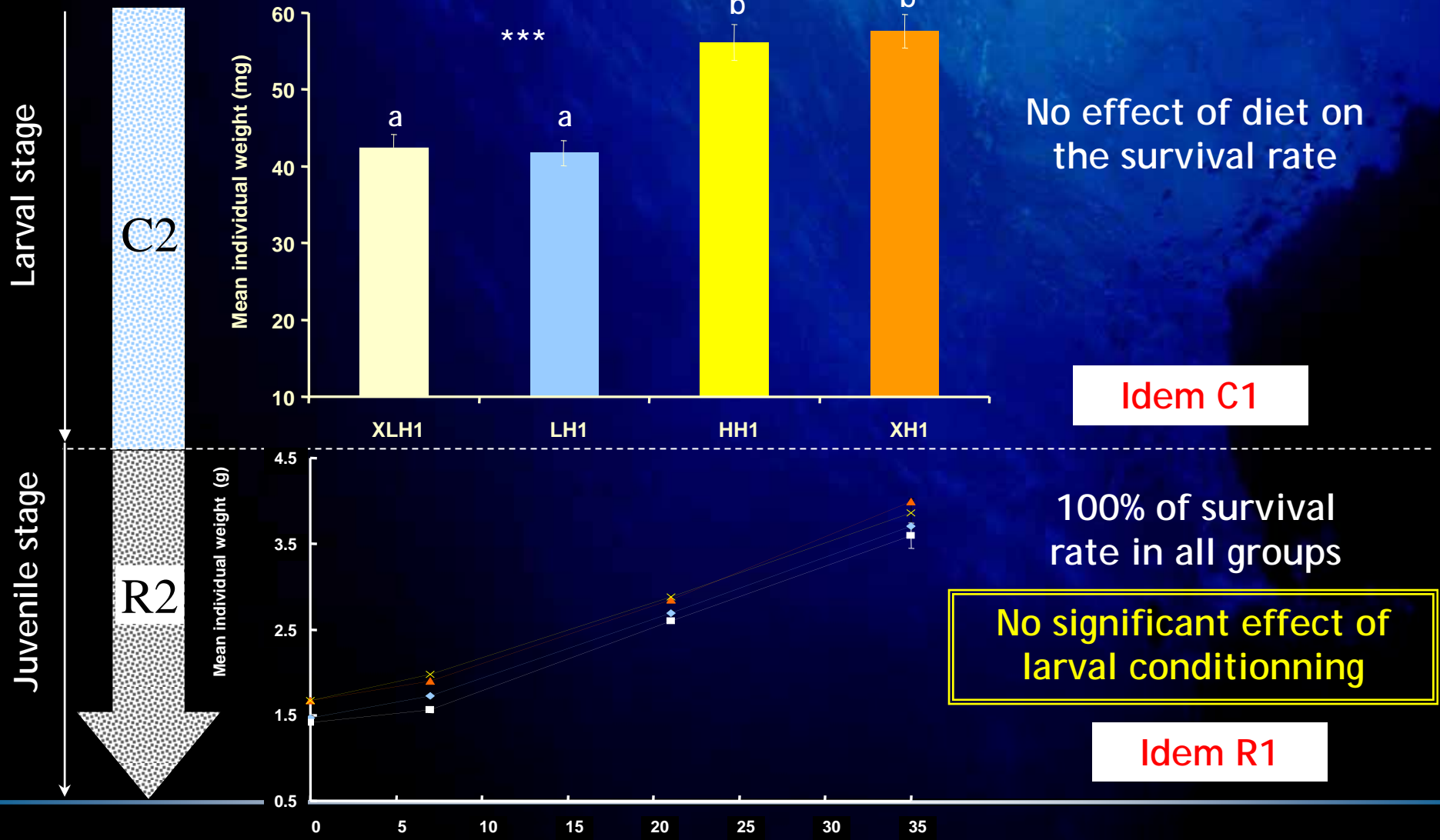
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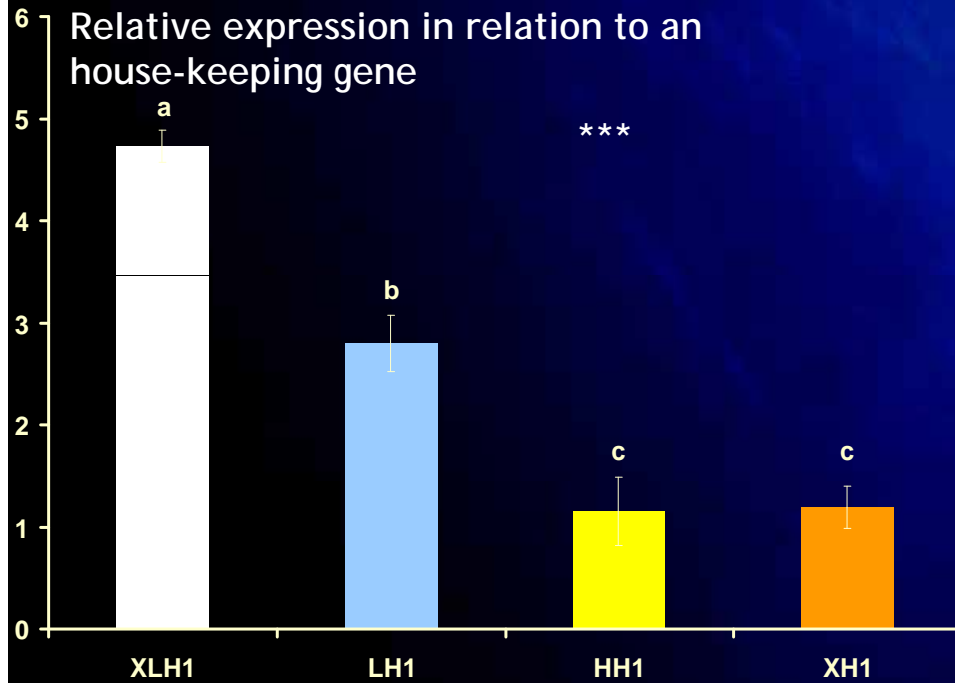


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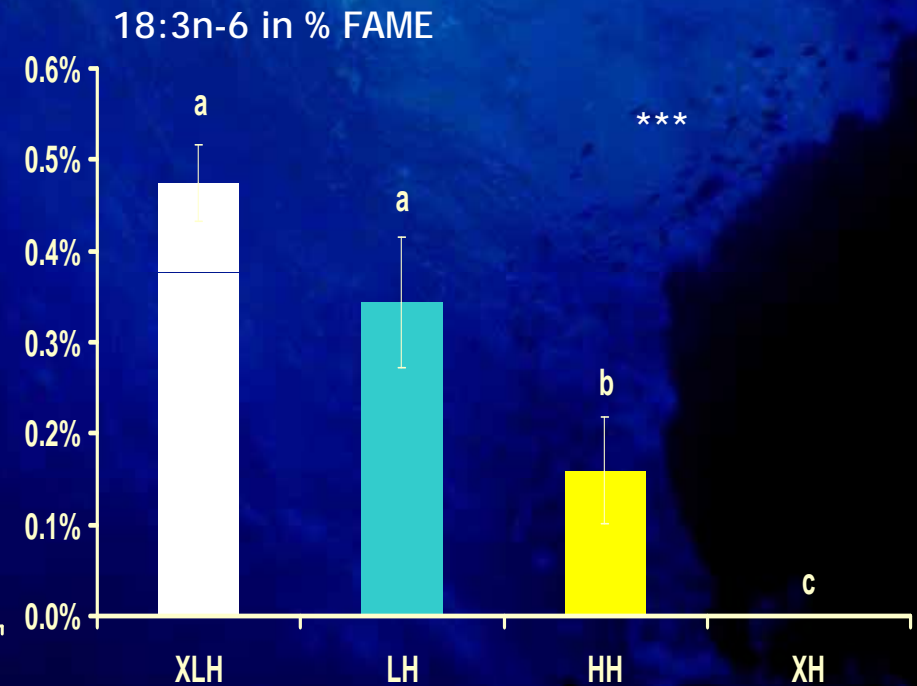


4. Lipid metabolism in larvae

D6D mRNA level at d-45



D6D desaturation product at d-45 in PL



Stimulation of desaturation pathways for HUFA synthesis

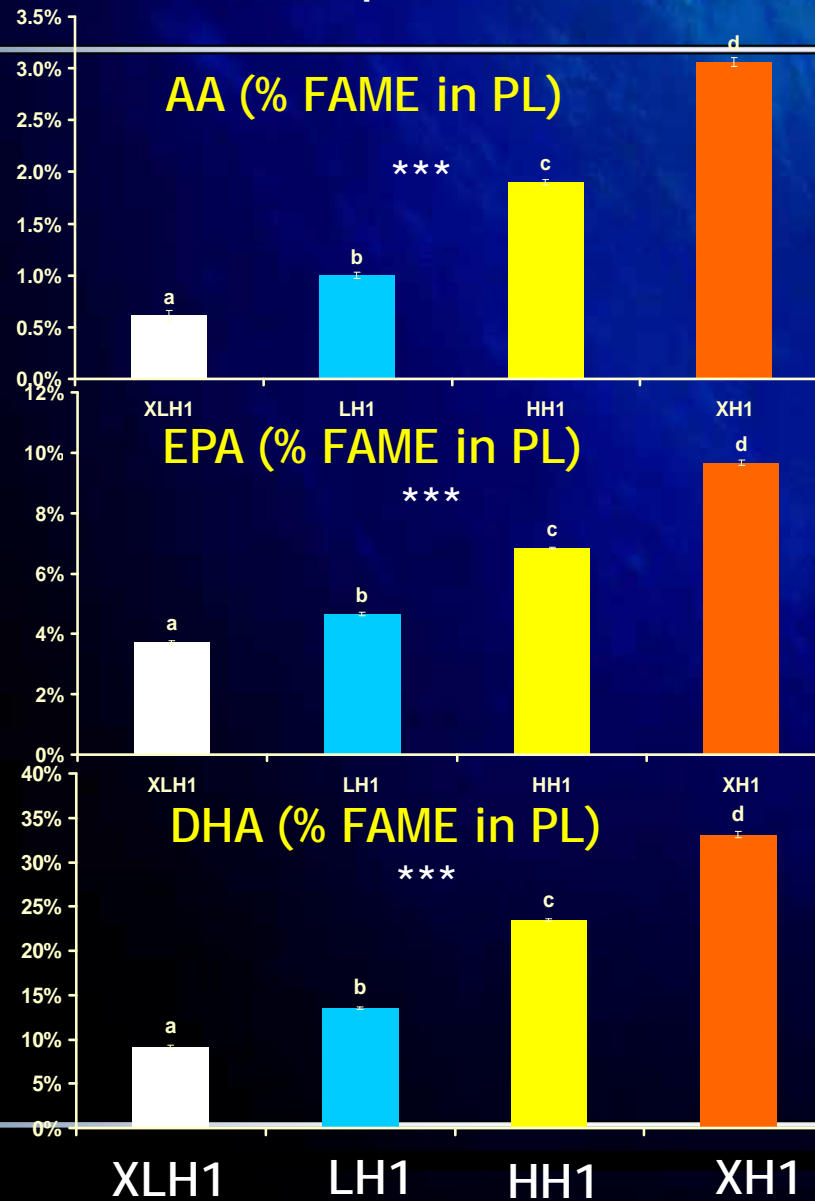
Idem C1



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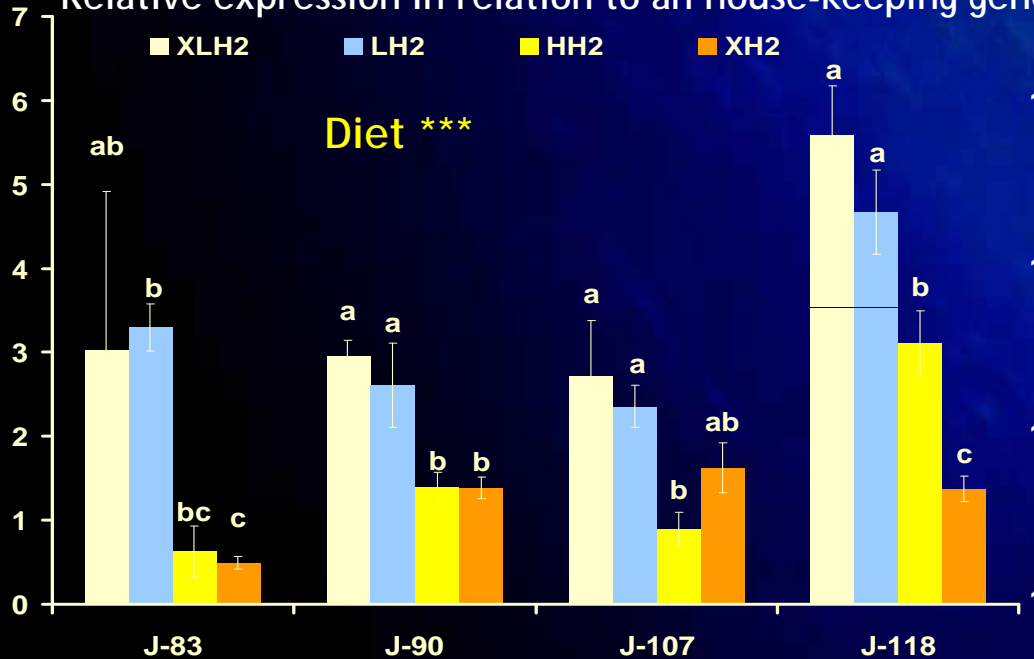
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5. Lipid metabolism in juveniles

D6D mRNA level

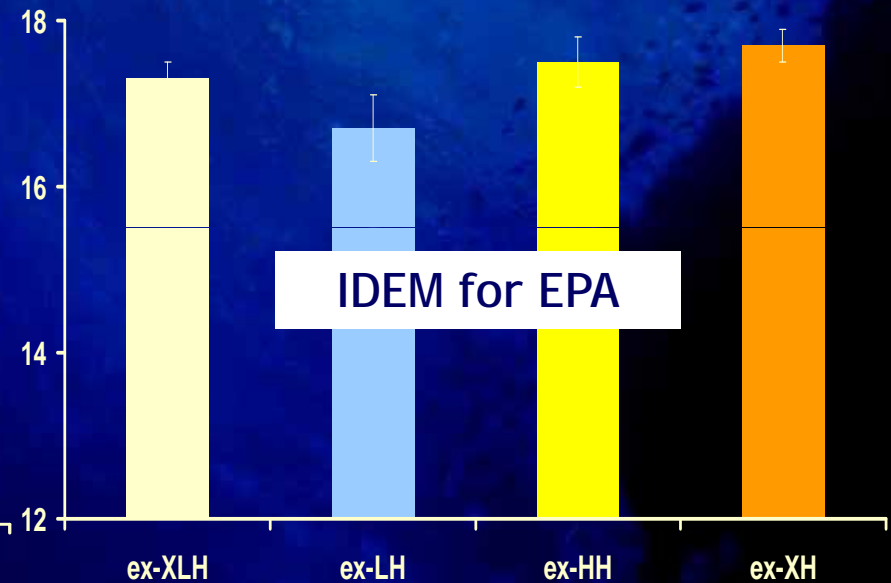
Relative expression in relation to an house-keeping gene



PL final composition in DHA

% FAME

NS



- Significant effect of larval conditioning
- D6D stimulation NON transient

≠ R1

- Non significant effect of larval conditioning

≠ R1

Although no beneficial effect on growth performances and no clear higher HUFA content in PL, **POSSIBLE** to influence FA desaturation pathways for HUFA synthesis for a better incorporation of vegetable products, using a nutritional conditioning during larval stage (**-60% of the HUFA requirement**)

Possible to use the concept of metabolic programming in sea bass

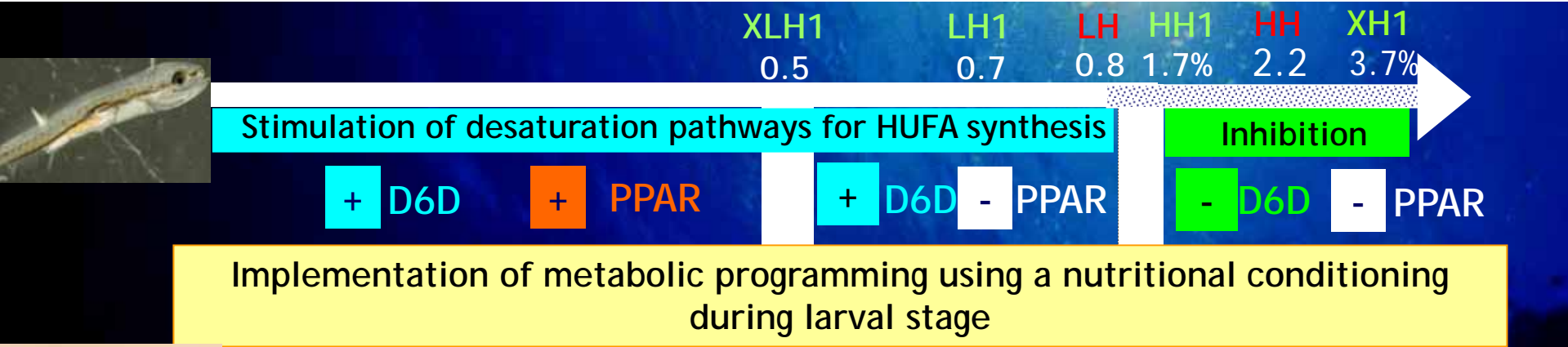
BUT is it a:

Long-lasting adaptation?

Transient acclimatation of juveniles to their nutritional environment ?

Need to better investigate mechanisms involved in desaturation pathways in response to a low HUFA dietary content in larvae and in juveniles

PPAR



Possible to influence the FA desaturation pathways for HUFA synthesis for a better incorporation of vegetable products



Additional factors: HUFA n-3 from the juvenile environment

Control of desaturation mechanisms previously gained

Control of the fish lipid composition

Was the metabolic programming really present ?



**Intermediate
period:** Stop
or Non stop
?



Challenge extension:
what will happen during
adulthood ?

Transmission to
the offspring ?



Application to other carnivorous species
with high commercial value in aquaculture



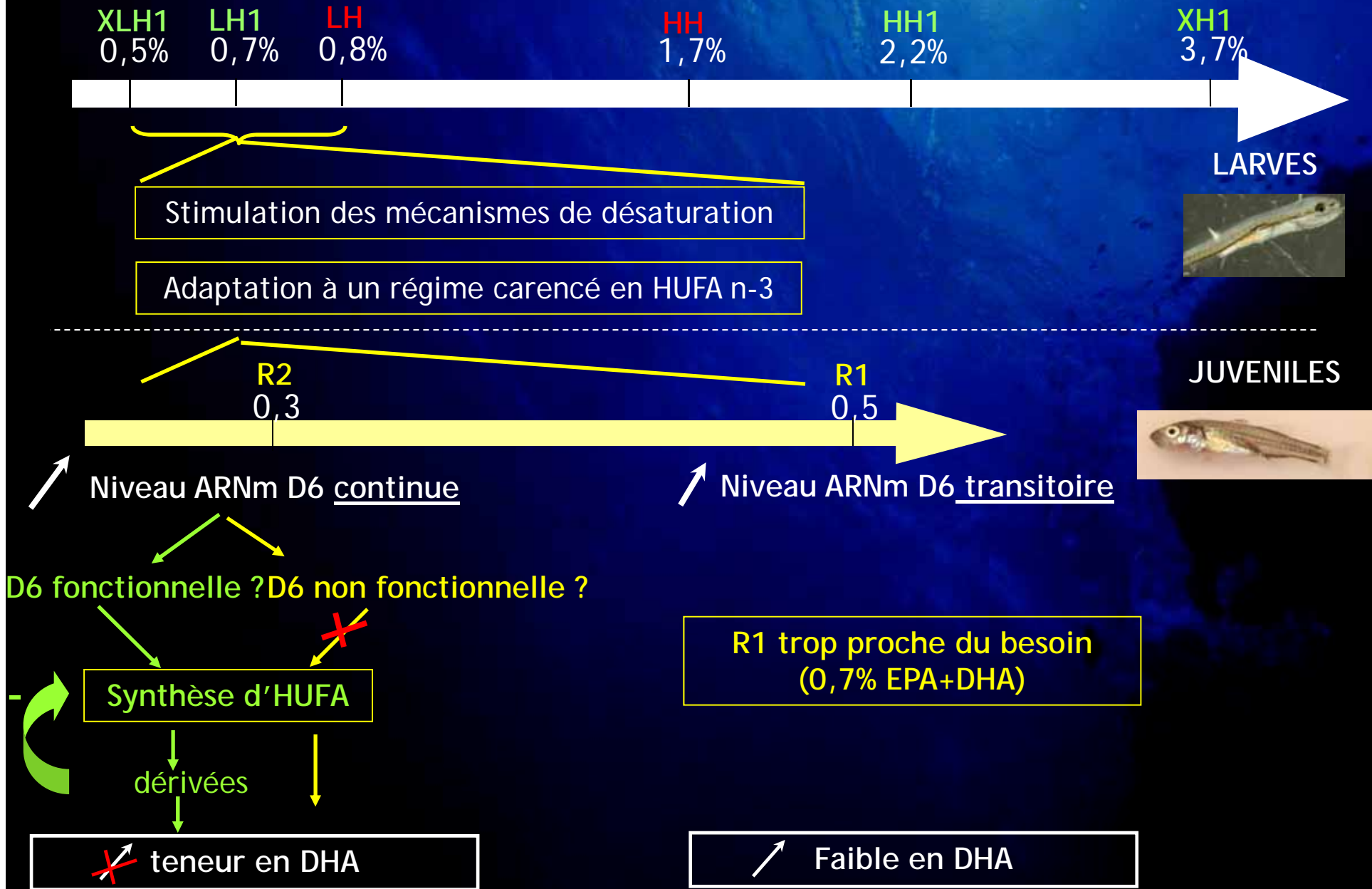
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Récapitulatif



XLH1 0,5%
LH1 0,7%
LH 0,8%

HH 1,7%

HH1 2,2%

XH1 3,7%

LARVES

+ +
D6D PPAR

+ -
D6D PPAR

- -
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Stimulation des mécanismes de désaturation

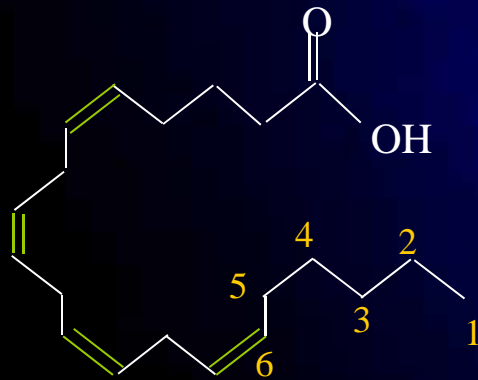
Adaptation à un régime carencé en HUFA n-3

R2
0,3

R1
0,5

HUFA = AGLPI (n-9, n-6 et n-3) = Acides gras insaturés à 20-22 atomes de carbone et au moins 4 doubles liaisons = Acides gras essentiels

C:X n-**Y**



Acide arachidonique 20:4n-6 (**AA**)

Constituants principaux des PL de la bi-couche membranaire

Chez les poissons, majoritairement les HUFA n-3:

- Acide docosahéxaénoïque 22:6n-3 (**DHA**)
- Acide écosapentaénoïque 20:5n-3 (**EPA**)

- Croissance et survie larvaire
- Développement de la vision et du cerveau
- Résistance au stress et aux maladies
- Qualité de la chair, ...



III- Hypothesis concerning the regulation of lipid metabolism in sea bass

PPARs



III- Hypothèses de régulation du métabolisme lipidique du bar

Étude des PPAR

Peroxisome Proliferator-Activated Receptor, récepteurs nucléaires

Trois isoformes: α , β et γ

Décrits chez les mammifères et le bar

Facteur de transcription de la delta 6 chez les mammifères

Dans le contexte de programmation métabolique, les PPAR sont-ils impliqués dans la stimulation de la transcription du gène de la D6D chez le bar?

III- Hypothèses de régulation du métabolisme lipidique du bar



+ PPAR
+ D6D



+ PPAR
+ D6D



Mise en place d'une mémorisation au niveau moléculaire des mécanismes de désaturation des AG

IV- Conclusions & Perspectives

1. General conclusion

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Nutritional conditioning during larval stage



POSSIBLE to influence the fatty acid desaturation pathways for HUFA synthesis for a better incorporation of vegetable meals



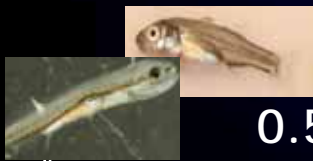
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Previously gained mechanisms



Fish lipid composition

3



$0.5 < \text{HUFA dietary content} < 0.7$



+



D6D transcription

0,5 0,7 0,8 1,7 2,2 3,7

Teneur en EPA+DHA du régime (%MS)



Stimulation des mécanismes de désaturation

Inhibition

HUFA
HUFA



PPAR



HUFA HUFA
HUFA



?

HUFA HUFA
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?

Gène de la delta 6

Stade larvaire



Transcription du gène de la $\Delta 6$ -D



Traduction de l'ARNm en protéine



Synthèse d'AG précurseurs des HUFA

Mise en place d'une programmation métabolique par le conditionnement larvaire



Présence de cette programmation chez les juvéniles

Facteurs additionnels: teneur en HUFA n-3 de l'environnement nutritionnel

R2 = 0,3% Teneur en EPA+DHA du régime (%MS)

R1 = 0,5% 0.7

Contrôle des mécanismes de désaturation préalablement acquis

+ ↓

Début du challenge⁺

Fin du challenge⁻

Transcription du gène de la D6D

Niveau ARNm D6 continue

Niveau ARNm D6 transitoire

D6 fonctionnelle ?

D6 non fonctionnelle ?

Synthèse d'HUFA

dérivées

~~↑~~ teneur en DHA

↑ Faible en DHA

Stade juvénile