

Table S1. Additional metadata for the sampled Beaufort Sea stations and depths.

Station	Depth	Chl <i>a</i> total ($\mu\text{g.l}^{-1}$)	Chl <i>a</i> small ($\mu\text{g.l}^{-1}$)	Bacterial Abundance (cell. ml^{-1})	DOC ($\mu\text{mol.l}^{-1}$)	POC (μM)
430	Surface	0.075	0.069	238,830	68.2	1.762
430	SCM <i>a</i>	0.765	0.647	360,052	n.a.	3.109
430	SCM	0.604	0.552	447,085	68.4	2.384
430	SCM <i>b</i>	0.073	0.059	169,411	n.a.	n.a.
460	Surface	0.071	0.062	n.a.	67.0	2.823
460	SCM <i>a</i>	0.069	0.061	n.a.	n.a.	1.176
460	SCM	0.577	0.505	n.a.	68.8	2.823
460	SCM <i>b</i>	0.161	0.119	n.a.	n.a.	1.882
540	Surface	0.079	0.068	193,087	65.8	1.679
540	SCM <i>a</i>	0.121	0.112	266,374	n.a.	1.399
540	SCM	0.612	0.548	221,987	69.1	1.772
540	SCM <i>b</i>	0.216	0.194	137,003	n.a.	0.840
760	Surface	0.107	0.093	395,137	78.3	3.552
760	SCM <i>a</i>	0.105	0.092	366,178	n.a.	n.a.
760	SCM	0.396	0.355	306,567	70.4	1.375
760	SCM <i>b</i>	0.104	0.088	162,854	n.a.	0.687

Table S2. Overall pyroread and OTU statistics.

Station	Depth	Raw Pyroreads	QC Pyroreads*	Final OTUs
430	Surface	5630	4231	843
430	SCM	11260	8134	1299
430	SCMb	5630	3672	1058
460	Surface	5630	3741	897
460	SCM	11260	8035	1456
460	SCMb	5630	3563	1067
540	Surface	5630	4075	890
540	SCM	11260	8136	1661
540	SCMb	5630	3494	1083
760	Surface	5630	3521	822
760	SCM	11260	5874	1357
760	SCMb	5630	2933	1038

*: Quality-controlled pyroreads; removal of chimeras, sequences shorter than 300 nucleotides, metazoan-like sequences and sequences from singleton OTUs.

Table S3. Overall HFL pyroread and OTU statistics.

Station	Depth	HFL		Bili		Choano		MASTs		Rhizaria		Telo	
		R#	O#	R%	O%	R%	O%	R%	O%	R%	O%	R%	O%
430	Surface	730	181	16.1	19.8	0.8	3.3	35.8	30.3	4.1	7.7	42.7	37.5
430	SCM	515	170	20.1	25.8	0.7	2.3	47.9	28.8	5.2	11.7	25.4	31.1
430	SCMb	507	173	1.7	3.4	0.9	1.7	21.7	18.7	55.8	53.7	19.7	23.1
460	Surface	555	165	10.6	14.5	7.7	7.8	50	33.9	5.5	10.9	25.9	32.7
460	SCM	607	181	16.8	17.6	1.6	2.7	40.2	29.2	9.3	20.9	31.9	29.2
460	SCMb	900	243	4.4	6.9	2.5	4.9	9.6	11.9	74.3	62.5	9	13.5
540	Surface	696	184	18.1	23.9	2.2	5.4	35.4	27.7	3.3	8.6	40.8	34.2
540	SCM	988	288	34.2	24.3	2	4.1	26	21.5	15.5	24.6	22.1	25.3
540	SCMb	810	234	3.9	7.2	1.6	3.8	7.2	10.2	77.1	60.6	9.8	17.5
760	Surface	772	176	5.3	10.8	6.8	11.9	48.7	31.8	0.4	9	34.9	35.8
760	SCM	776	238	25.7	21	1.5	3.7	20.4	15.1	22.2	33.1	29.7	26.4
760	SCMb	843	239	3.4	7.5	1.4	4.1	7.5	11.3	77.7	61.9	9.7	14.6

R#: pyroread number; O#: OTU number; R%: pyroread percent (out of total HFL pyroreads); O%: OTU percent (out of total HFL OTUs); Bili: Biliphytes; Choano: Choanoflagellates; Telo: Telonemia.

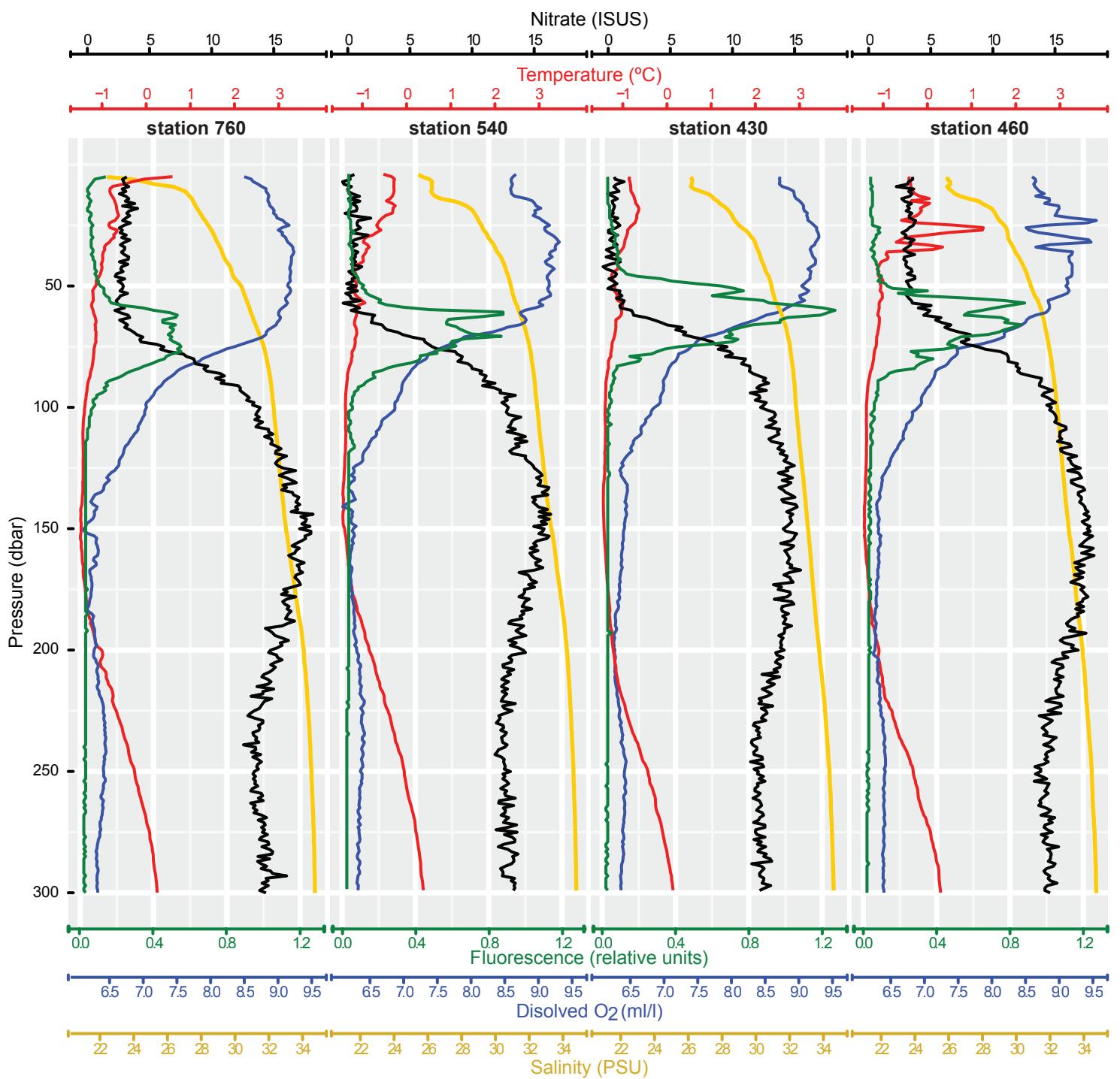


Figure S1

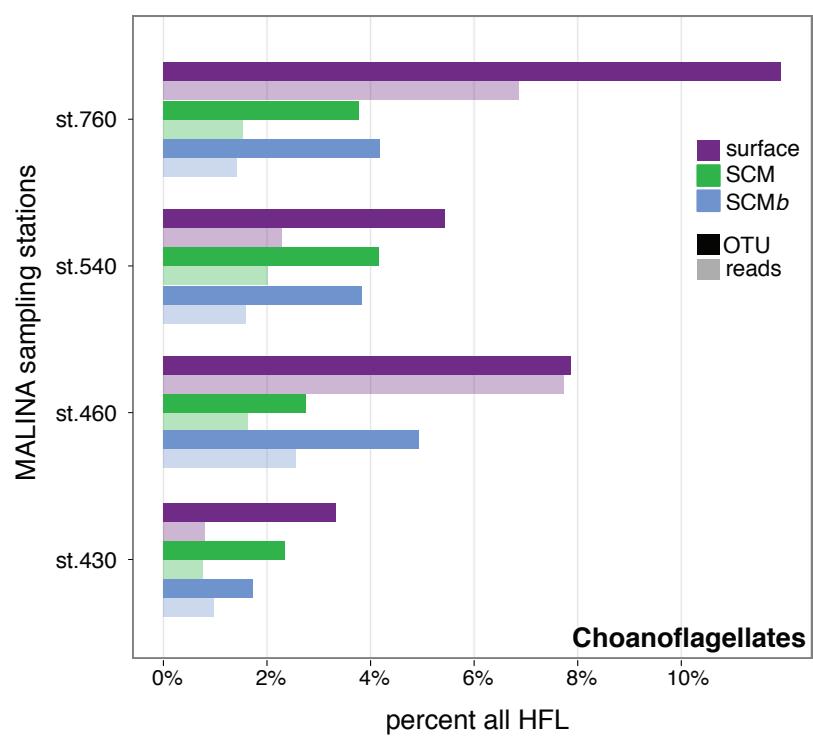


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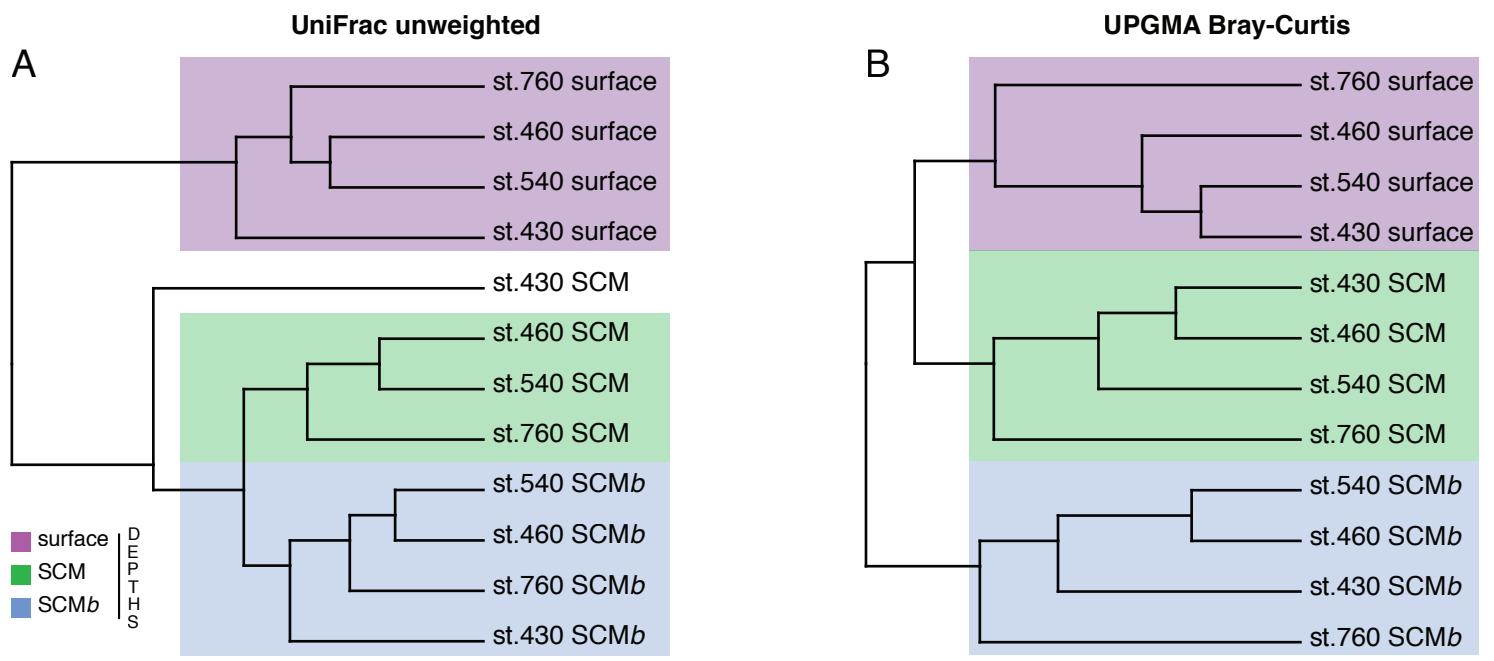


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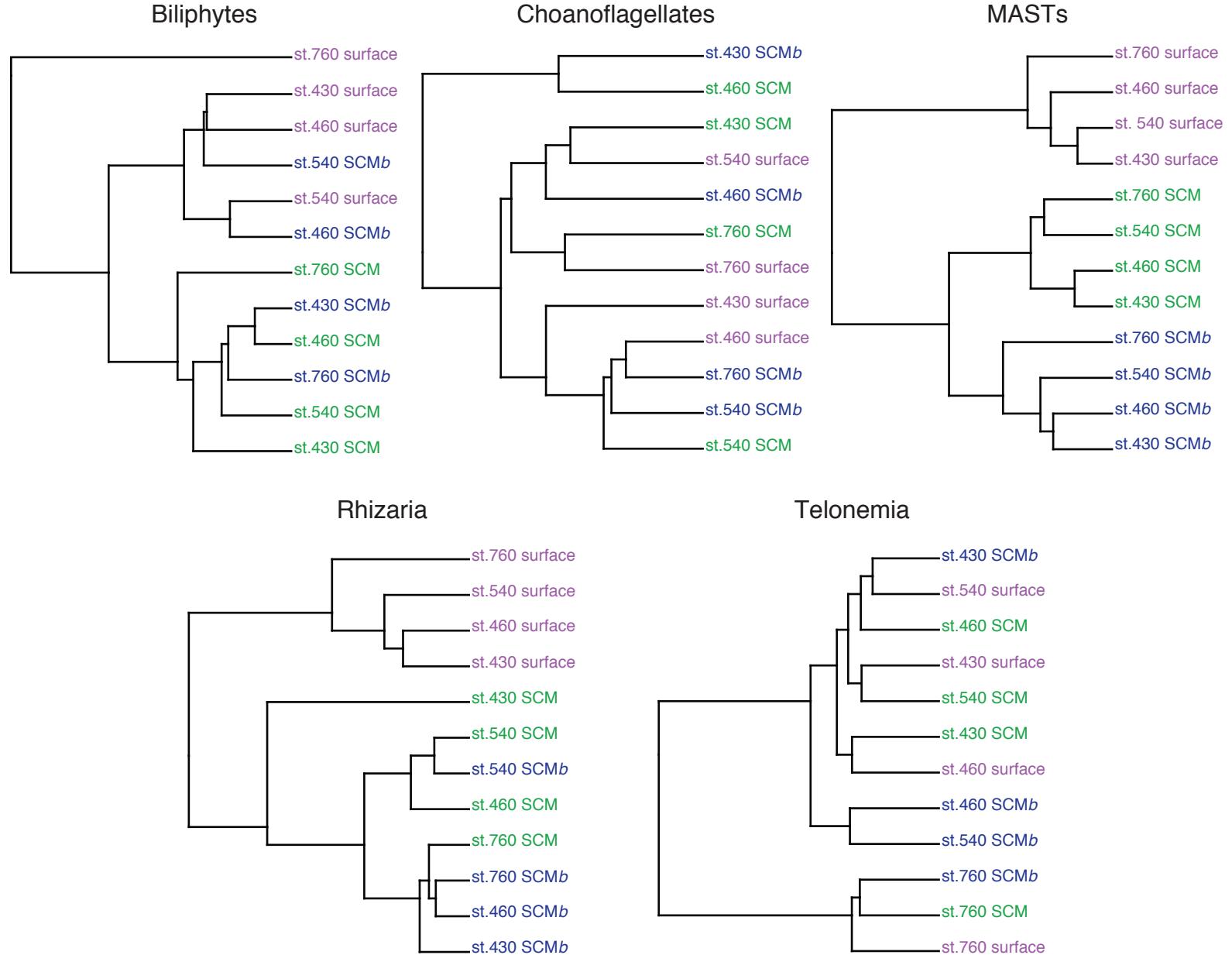


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