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## **Trends and decadal oscillations of oxygen and nutrients at 50 to 300 m depth in the equatorial and North Pacific**

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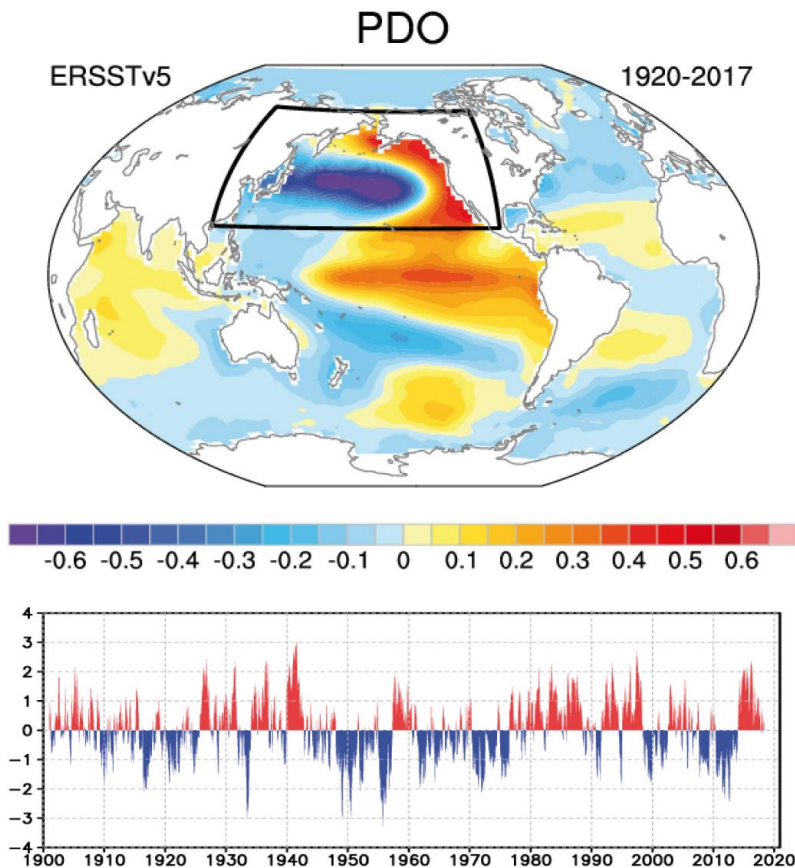
**Supplementary table**

**Table S1.** Linear trends of solutes in  $\mu\text{mol kg}^{-1} \text{yr}^{-1}$  with 95% confidence intervals where data are available for the entire period since 1950, for negative (1950-1976; PDO-) and positive (after 1976; PDO+) PDO periods in the 50 to 300 m depth layer for April to December measurements for area P ( $48^{\circ}$ - $52^{\circ}$ N,  $143^{\circ}$ - $147^{\circ}$ W) and Oyashio region ( $39^{\circ}$ - $42^{\circ}$ N,  $144^{\circ}$ - $149^{\circ}$ E). Trends whose 95% confidence interval includes zero are shown in *italics*.

| Parameter | trend                 | time period    | PDO- trend            | time period    | PDO+ trend            | time period    |
|-----------|-----------------------|----------------|-----------------------|----------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| Area      |                       | area P         |                       | area P         |                       | area P         |
| Oxygen    | <i>-0.22 ± 0.23</i>   | 1954-2017      | <i>-0.16 ± 1.44</i>   | 1954-1976      | <i>-0.22 ± 0.43</i>   | 1977-2017      |
| Nitrate   | <i>+0.069 ± 0.050</i> | 1956-2017      | <i>-0.114 ± 0.516</i> | 1956-1973      | <i>+0.069 ± 0.050</i> | 1980-2017      |
| Silicate  | <i>+0.491 ± 0.177</i> | 1958-2017      | <i>+2.26 ± 5.74</i>   | 1958-1971      | <i>+0.216 ± 0.211</i> | 1987-2017      |
| Phosphate | <i>+0.001 ± 0.003</i> | 1954-2017      | <i>-0.014 ± 0.025</i> | 1954-1971      | <i>+0.001 ± 0.007</i> | 1980-2017      |
| Area      |                       | Oyashio region |                       | Oyashio region |                       | Oyashio region |
| Oxygen    | <i>-0.18 ± 0.32</i>   | 1952-2017      | <i>-0.27 ± 0.56</i>   | 1952-1976      | <i>+0.14 ± 0.72</i>   | 1977-2017      |
| Nitrate   | <i>+0.106 ± 0.043</i> | 1964-2017      | <i>+0.365 ± 0.566</i> | 1964-1976      | <i>+0.124 ± 0.060</i> | 1977-2017      |
| Silicate  | <i>+0.156 ± 0.340</i> | 1952-2017      | <i>-1.40 ± 1.14</i>   | 1952-1971      | <i>+0.614 ± 0.343</i> | 1981-2017      |
| Phosphate | <i>+0.006 ± 0.003</i> | 1953-2017      | <i>+0.011 ± 0.017</i> | 1953-1976      | <i>+0.009 ± 0.005</i> | 1977-2017      |

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## Supplementary figures

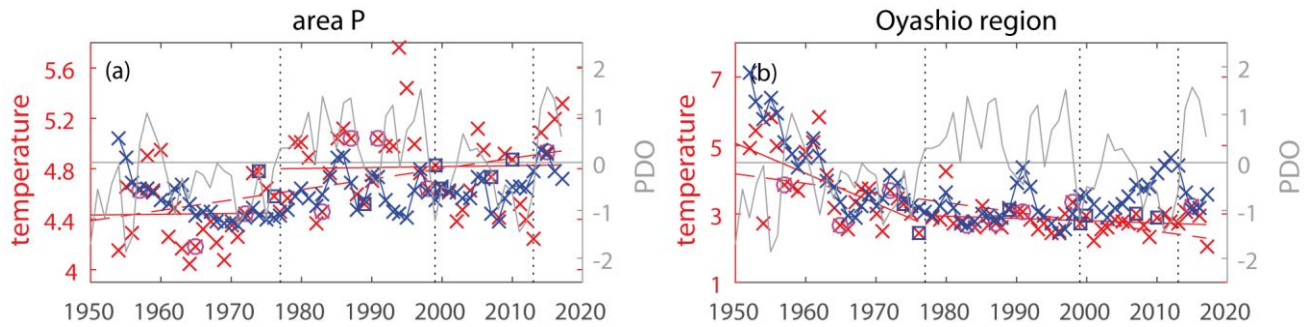


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8 **Figure S1.** Global expression of the Pacific Decadal Oscillation (PDO, top) obtained by linearly  
9 regressing monthly sea surface temperature (SST) anomalies (in °C) based on ERSSTv5 data set  
10 (Huang et al., 2017) for the period 1920-2017 at each grid box upon the leading Principal Component  
11 (PC) time series based on the domain outlined in the black box (Adapted from Deser et al., 2010 and  
12 modified by A. Phillips). The PDO time series 1900 to 2017, defined by their corresponding PC is  
13 shown in the lower frame. (Figure from Tokyo Climate Center,  
14 [http://ds.data.jma.go.jp/tcc/tcc/products/elnino/decadal/pdo\\_month.html](http://ds.data.jma.go.jp/tcc/tcc/products/elnino/decadal/pdo_month.html)) based on the HadISST data  
15 set (Rayner et al., 2003).

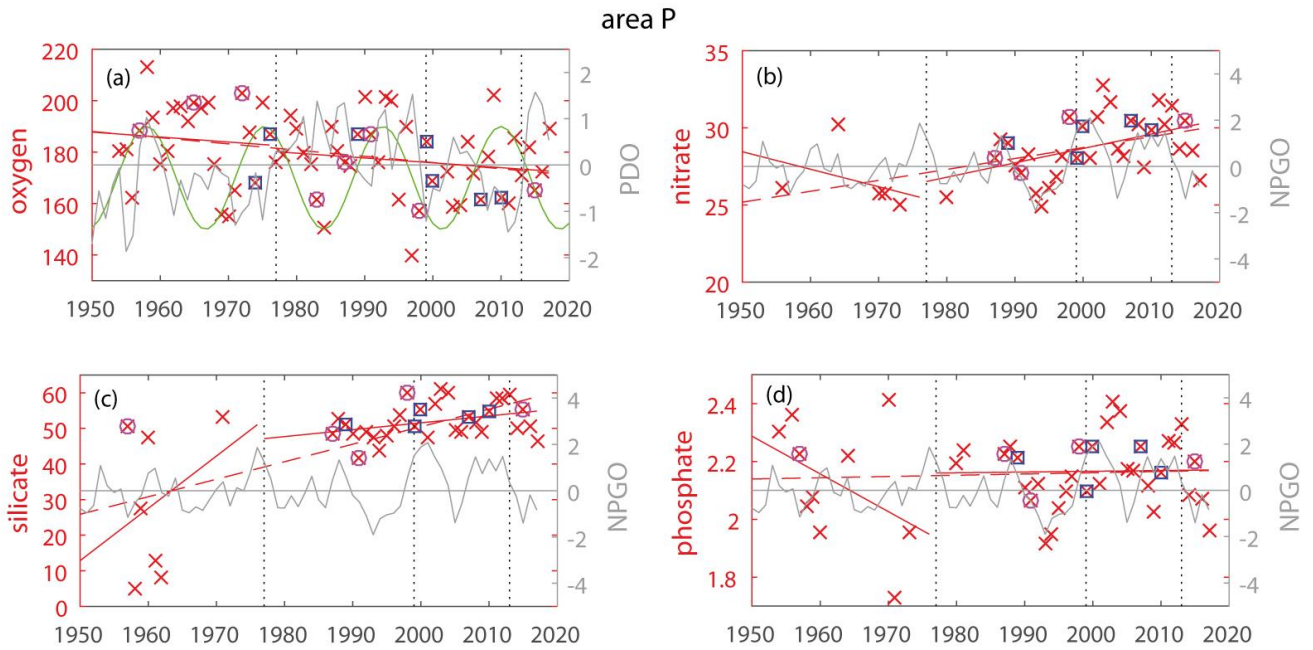
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**Figure S2.** Annual mean temperature in °C for years available (red crosses) and trends for the layer 50 to 300 m plotted for the entire time period (dashed red lines) and for the periods 1950 to 1976 for the negative PDO phase and after 1976 for the positive PDO phase (solid red lines) a) at area P (48° to 52°N, 143° to 147°W) from hydrodata CTD and bottle data and station P data (50°N, 145°W) for the period 1954 to 2017 with a trend of  $0.0083 \pm 0.0073 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C yr}^{-1}$  and b) the Oyashio region between 39° and 42°N, 144° and 149°E for the period 1952 to 2017 with a trend of  $-0.0273 \pm 0.0188 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C yr}^{-1}$ . El Niño years defined as strong are marked by an additional magenta circle, strong La Niña years by an additional blue square. The change of the PDO status in 1977, 1999 and 2013 are marked by vertical dotted lines. PDO annual time series are shown in the temperature time series as solid grey lines. In addition, the annual mean 0 to 50 m temperatures smoothed with a 4-point running mean are included as blue lines covering the temperature range 6.0 to 10.2 °C in area P and 5.3 to 16.4°C in the Oyashio region.

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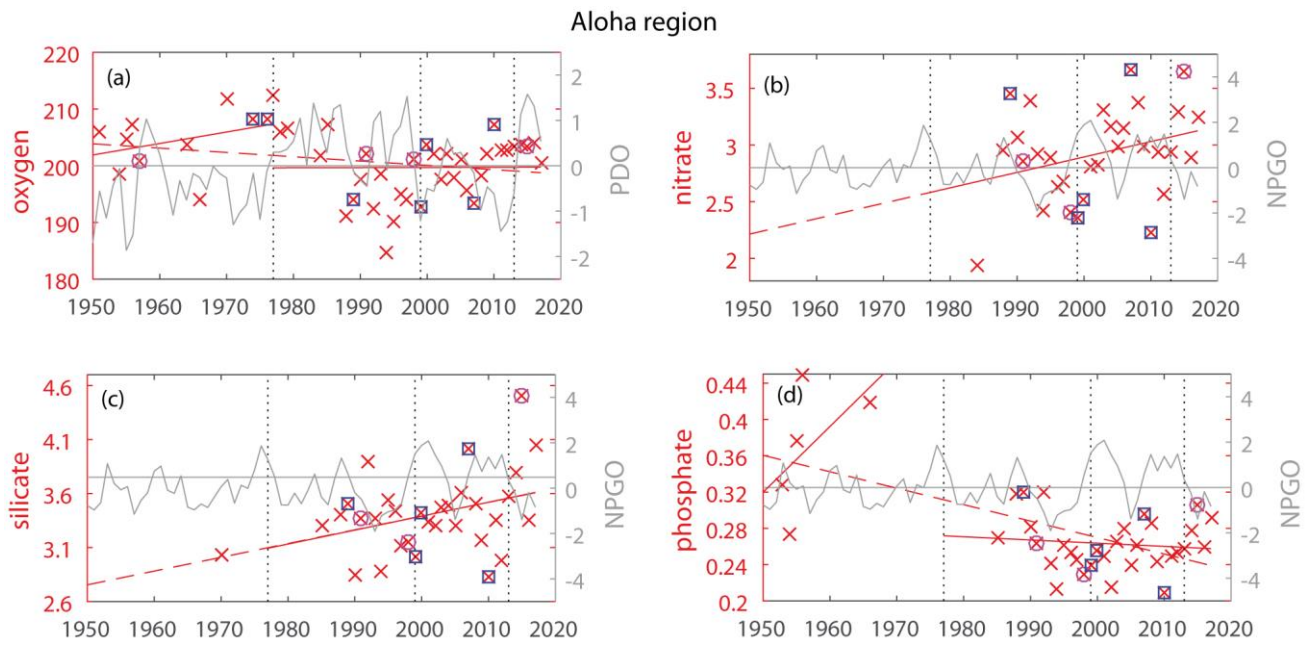
3 **Figure S3.** Annual mean concentration (in  $\mu\text{mol kg}^{-1}$ , red crosses) for years available and trends for  
4 the layer 50 to 300 m plotted for the entire time period (dashed red lines) and for the periods 1950 to  
5 1976 for the negative PDO phase and after 1976 for the positive PDO phase (solid red lines) at area P  
6 ( $48^\circ$  to  $52^\circ\text{N}$ ,  $143^\circ$  to  $147^\circ\text{W}$ ) from hydrodata CTD and bottle data and station P data ( $50^\circ\text{N}$ ,  $145^\circ\text{W}$ )  
7 for the period since 1956 in  $\mu\text{mol kg}^{-1} \text{ yr}^{-1}$  for a) oxygen, b) nitrate, c) silicate and d) phosphate. For  
8 oxygen measurements in 2001 were removed as the 50-300 m mean was much too high ( $379 \mu\text{mol kg}^{-1}$ ).  
9 El Niño years defined as strong are marked by an additional magenta circle, strong La Niña years  
10 by an additional blue square. The change of the PDO status in 1977, 1999 and 2013 are marked by  
11 vertical dotted lines. The PDO annual mean time series are shown in the oxygen time series and the  
12 NPGO annual mean time series in nitrate, phosphate and silicate time series as solid grey lines. In the  
13 oxygen time series the 18.6 year sinusoidal nodal cycle is included (green curve).

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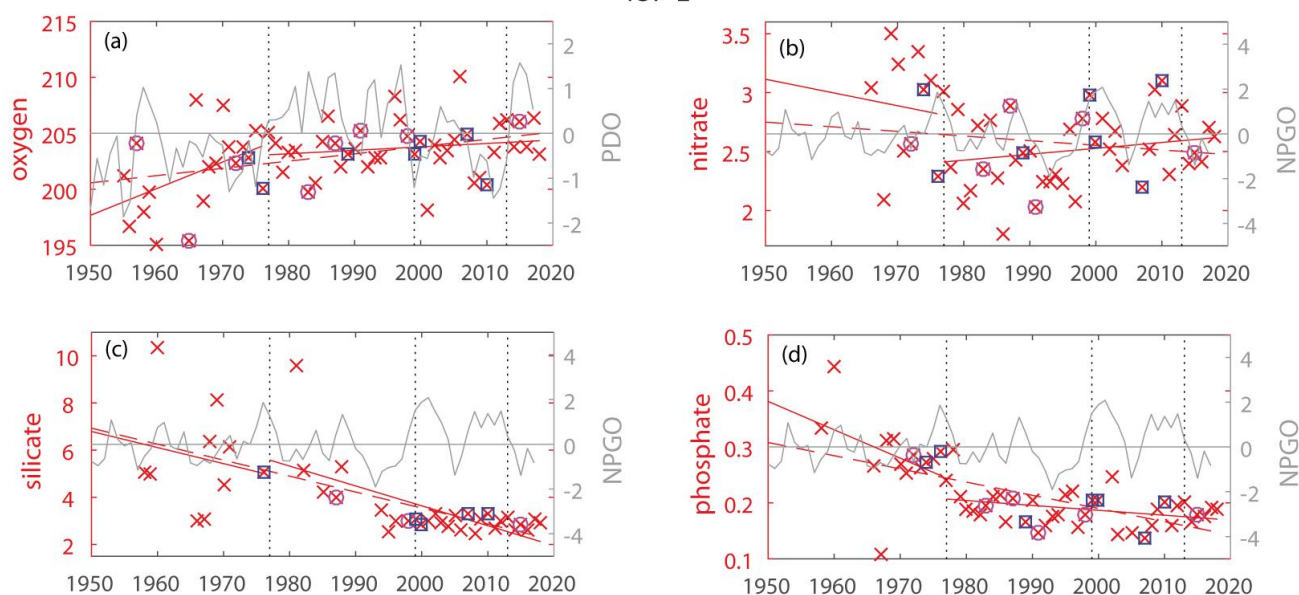


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 2 **Figure S4.** Annual mean concentration (in  $\mu\text{mol kg}^{-1}$ , red crosses) for years available and trends for  
 3 the layer 50 to 300 m plotted for the entire time period (dashed red lines) and for the periods 1950 to  
 4 1976 for the negative PDO phase after 1976 for the positive PDO phase (solid red lines) between  $22^\circ$   
 5 and  $25^\circ\text{N}$ ,  $156$  and  $159^\circ\text{W}$  from hydrodata CTD and bottle data and station Aloha data ( $22^\circ45'\text{N}$ ,  
 6  $158^\circ\text{W}$ ) for the period since October 1988 in  $\mu\text{mol kg}^{-1} \text{ yr}^{-1}$  for a) oxygen, b) nitrate, c) silicate and d)  
 7 phosphate. For silicate measurements in 1984 were removed as they were too low ( $1.83 \mu\text{mol kg}^{-1}$ )  
 8 phosphate measurements in 1951 were removed as the 50-300 m mean was too high ( $0.573 \mu\text{mol kg}^{-1}$ )  
 9 <sup>1</sup>). El Niño years defined as strong are marked by an additional magenta circle, strong La Niña years  
 10 by an additional blue square. The change of the PDO status in 1977, 1999 and 2013 are marked by  
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 12 NPGO annual mean time series in nitrate, phosphate and silicate time series as solid grey lines.

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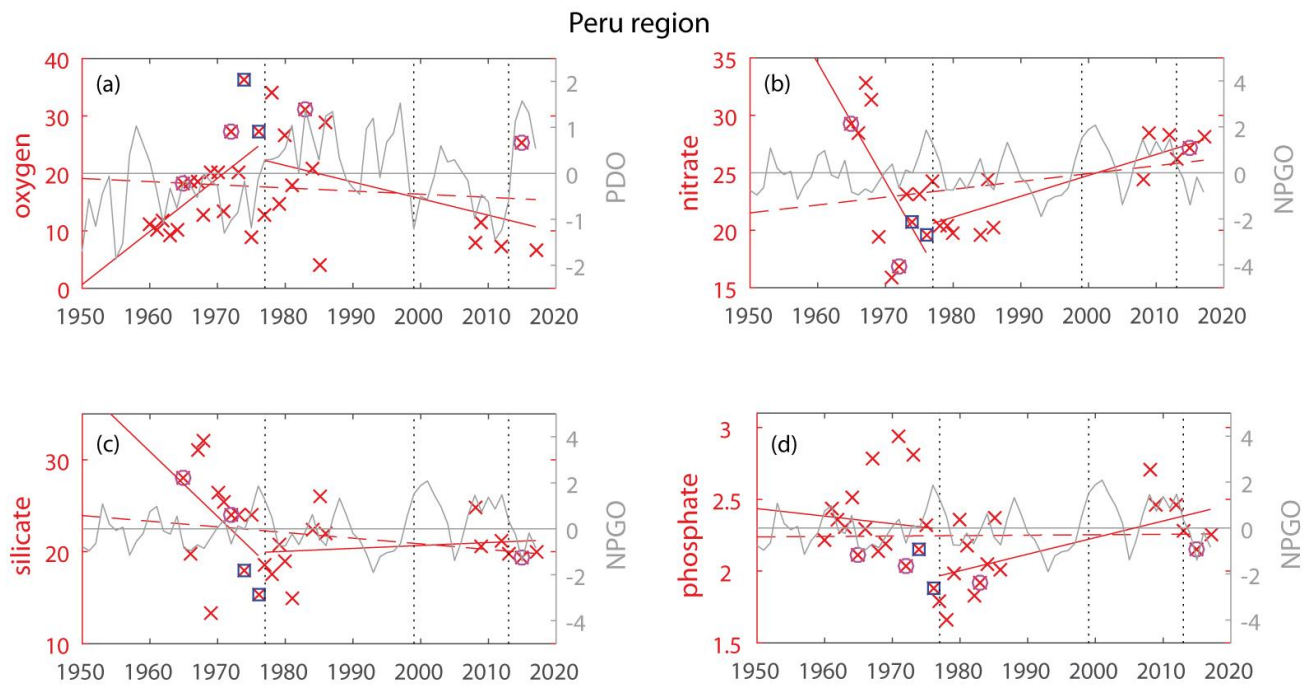
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2 **Figure S5.** Annual mean concentration (in  $\mu\text{mol kg}^{-1}$ , red crosses) for years available and trends for  
 3 the layer 50 to 300 m plotted for the entire time period (dashed red lines) and for the periods 1950 to  
 4 1976 for the negative PDO phase and after 1976 for the positive PDO phase (solid red lines) between  
 5  $20^{\circ}$  and  $26^{\circ}\text{N}$ ,  $134$  and  $140^{\circ}\text{E}$  from hydrodata CTD and bottle data in  $\mu\text{mol kg}^{-1} \text{ yr}^{-1}$  for a) oxygen, b)  
 6 nitrate, c) silicate and d) phosphate. For oxygen measurements in 1982 and 1995 were removed as  
 7 they were too high/low (1982:  $236 \mu\text{mol kg}^{-1}$ , 1995:  $185 \mu\text{mol kg}^{-1}$ ), for nitrate 1959 was removed  
 8  $14.4 \mu\text{mol kg}^{-1}$  and for silicate 1983  $23.7 \mu\text{mol kg}^{-1}$ . El Niño years defined as strong are marked by  
 9 an additional magenta circle, strong La Niña years by an additional blue square. The change of the  
 10 PDO status in 1977, 1999 and 2013 are marked by vertical dotted lines. PDO annual mean time series  
 11 are shown in the oxygen time series and the NPGO annual mean time series in the nitrate, silicate and  
 12 phosphate time series as solid grey lines.

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2 **Figure S6.** Annual mean concentration (in  $\mu\text{mol kg}^{-1}$ , red crosses) for years available and trends for  
 3 the layer 50 to 300 m plotted for the entire time period (dashed red lines) and for the periods 1950 to  
 4 1976 for the negative PDO phase and after 1976 for the positive PDO phase (solid red lines) between  
 5  $7^{\circ}$  and  $12^{\circ}\text{S}$ ,  $78$  and  $83^{\circ}\text{W}$  from hydrodata CTD and bottle data in  $\mu\text{mol kg}^{-1} \text{ yr}^{-1}$  for a) oxygen, b)  
 6 nitrate, c) silicate and d) phosphate. For oxygen measurements in 1982 were removed as they were too  
 7 high ( $62.4 \mu\text{mol kg}^{-1}$ ). El Niño years defined as strong are marked by an additional magenta circle,  
 8 strong La Niña years by an additional blue square. The change of the PDO status in 1977, 1999 and  
 9 2013 are marked by vertical dotted lines. PDO annual mean time series are shown in the oxygen time  
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