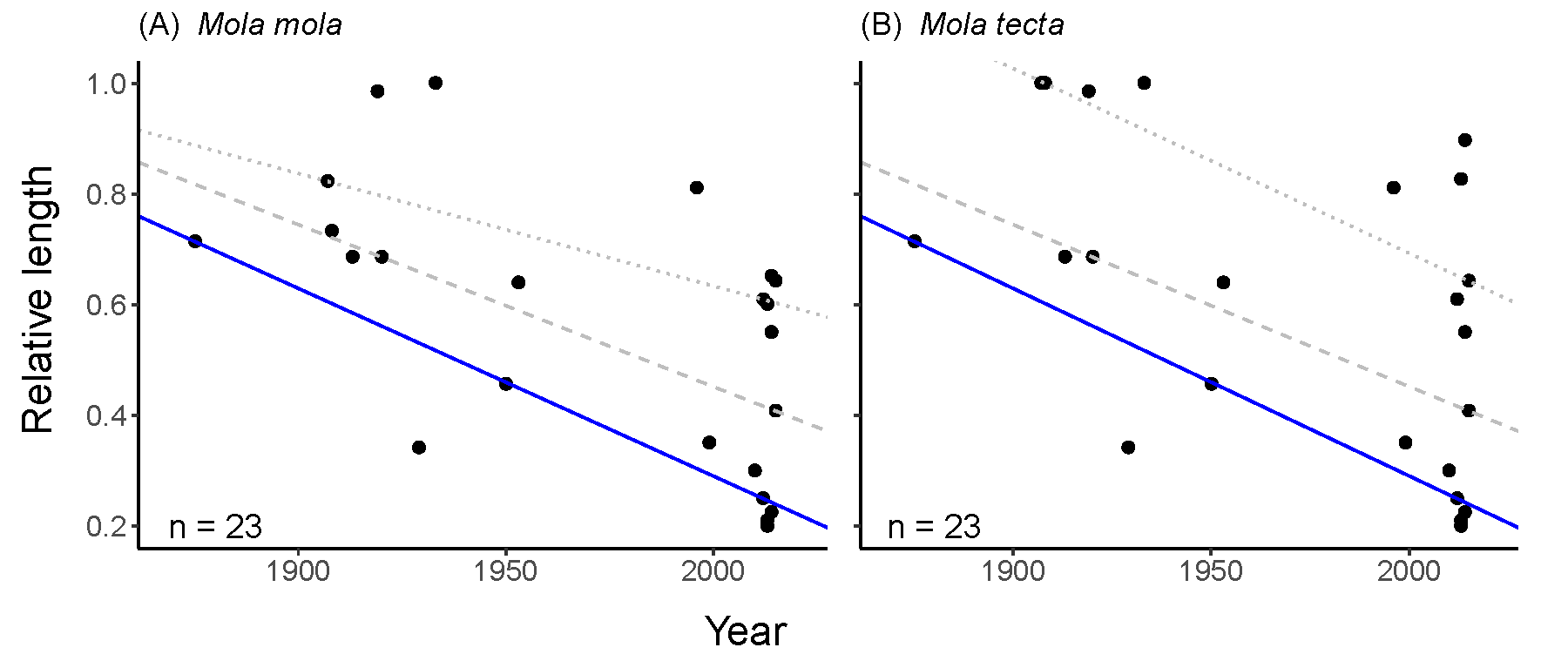
**Supplement 3 – Sensitivity analysis of taxonomic uncertainty**

**Shifting headlines? Trends in sizes of newsworthy fishes**

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**Figure S1. Sensitivity to taxonomic uncertainty of trends in relative length of charismatic megafishes reported as being exceptional large in printed news headlines over time.** Length of charismatic megafishes in printed news headlines from 1869 to 2015, relative to the maximum species-specific weight, (A) when all *Mola* are assumed to be *Mola mola*, and (B) when all *Mola* that are smaller than the minimum size of *Mola tecta* (242 cm) are assumed to be *Mola tecta*. Lines represent quantiles regressions that met a minimum sample size (see Methods). Significant quantile regressions are shown as solid lines; non-significant (p < 0.05) quantiles regressions are shown in dotted lines. The dashed line is the 50th quantile.