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## **Assessing inter-annual and seasonal patterns of DOC and DOM quality across a complex alpine watershed underlain by discontinuous permafrost in Yukon, Canada**

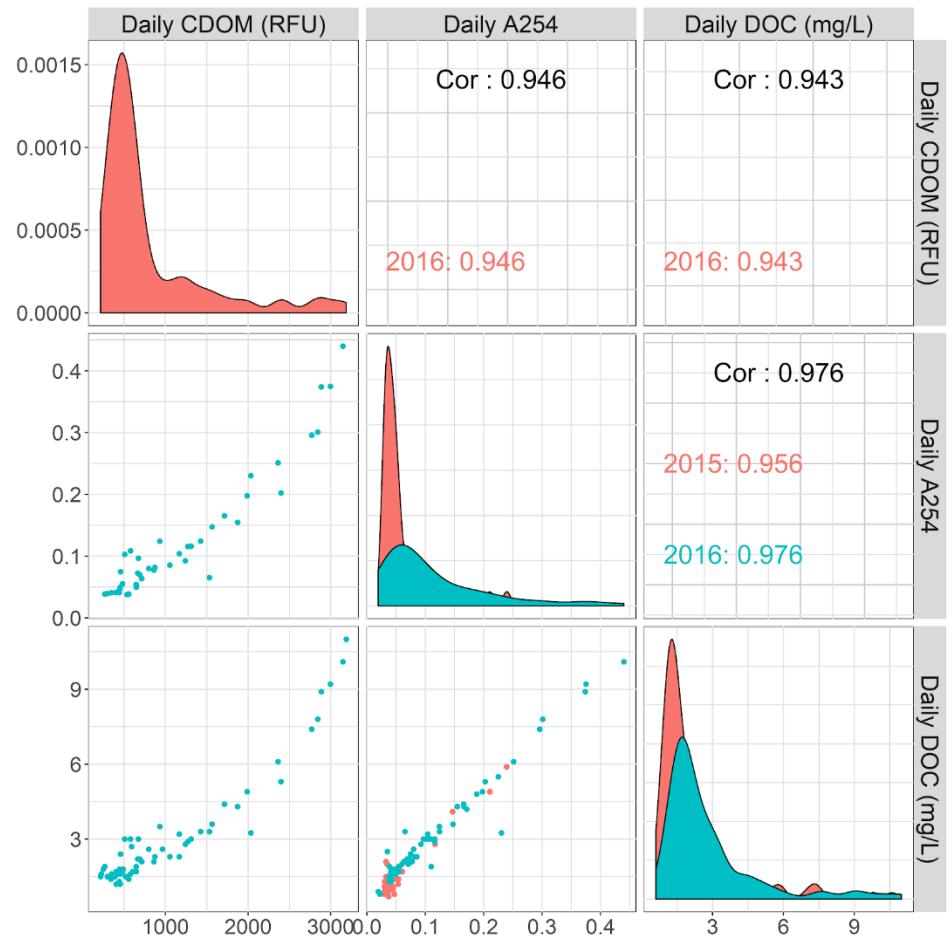
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Year	Sites	DOC (mg/L)			SUVA <sub>254</sub>			BIX			FI		
		Spring	Summer	F/W	Spring	Summer	F/W	Spring	Summer	F/W	Spring	Summer	F/W
2015	BB	1.77±0.66(5)	1.25±0.31(11)	1.19±0.39(9)	3.30±0.58(3)	3.88±0.55(4)	2.72±0.42(2)	0.55±0.04	0.60±0.01	0.60±0.03	1.49±0.06	1.54±0.03	1.57±0.76
	CL	2.90(1)		2.60(1)									
	GC	2.89±2.29(52)	1.07±0.21(36)	1.75±0.76(17)	3.21±0.84(22)	3.81±0.75(14)	2.42±0.33(3)	0.69±0.06	0.60±0.02	0.65±0.02	1.52±0.06	1.54±0.04	1.57±0.04
	W1	15.8(1)			3.94(1)			0.47 (1)			1.46(1)		
	WCO			1.79±0.90(14)			2.21±0.17(10)			0.66±0.03			1.62±0.03
2016	BB	2.34±0.87(14)	1.42±0.27(23)	1.50±0.20(3)	3.56±0.48(10)	2.81±0.59(16)	2.45±0.28(3)	0.513±0.03	0.58±0.03	0.62±0.02	1.45±0.04	1.52±0.06	1.52±0.00
	CL	3.15±0.35(2)											
	GC	4.32±2.56(43)	1.71±0.34(32)	2.00±0.57(20)	3.86±1.40(37)	2.86±0.38(17)	3.14±0.32(11)	0.513±0.06	0.58±0.03	0.60±0.04	1.45±0.04	1.50±0.04	1.50±0.02
	W1	6.70(1)	7.37±0.64(10)	6.95±0.21(2)	4.77(1)	4.04±0.60(7)		0.58(1)	0.63±0.05		1.58(1)	1.54±0.04	
	WCO	2.69±0.80(18)	2.58±0.44(22)	2.35±0.35(3)	2.83±0.42(12)	2.70±0.28(19)	2.69±0.11(2)	0.582±0.04	0.60±0.02	0.66±0.03	1.53±0.02	1.54±0.03	1.55±0.01
2017	BB	2.70(1)	2.17±0.45(7)	1.15±0.14(6)		3.02±0.38(6)	3.15±0.17(6)		0.55±0.03	0.61±0.02		1.48±0.03	1.55±0.02
	CL		3.23±0.15(4)	2.96±0.09(5)		2.66±0.15(3)	2.82±0.08(5)		0.66±0.03	0.69±0.02		1.48±0.01	1.50±0.03
	GC	3.15±0.64(2)	2.33±0.71(7)	1.28±0.18(6)		3.14±0.23(5)			0.55±0.03			1.45±0.03	
	W1			6.10(1)			5.26(1)			0.62(1)			1.66(1)
	WCO	4.42±1.84(6)	2.72±0.37(5)	2.14±0.11(5)		2.83±0.25(3)	2.94±0.10(3)		0.61±0.03	0.64±0.01		1.51±0.02	1.57±0.02

**Table S1.** This table is similar to Table 1 in the manuscript but incorporates all samples used for principal component analysis (PCA). Additional sites (CL, W1) and additional years of data for sites BB, GC and WCO were used in the analysis to investigate influence of landscape type. Notation: Mean ± standard deviation (number of samples).



**Figure S1.** Correlation matrices of average daily CDOM (RFU), A254 ( $\text{nm}^{-1}$ ) and DOC concentration ( $\text{mg L}^{-1}$ ). No CDOM was measure in 2015 so it was not possible to separate out that year. Correlation was calculated using Pearson at 95% significance level ( $p < 0.001$  in all cases).

<i>Year</i>	<i>Site</i>	Spring (R <sup>2</sup> )	Summer (R <sup>2</sup> )	Fall (R <sup>2</sup> )	Spring & Summer (R <sup>2</sup> )	Spring, Summer & Fall (R <sup>2</sup> )
2002	GC	0.047	0.180		0.063	
2003	GC	0.041	0.001		0.034	
2006	GC	0.021	0.175		0.029	
2008	GC	0.024	0.215		0.005	
2015	GC	0.263	0.004	0.547	0.316	0.314
2016	GC	0.115	0.536	0.551	0.039	0.048
2016	WCO	0.066	0.783		0.010	0.011

**Table S2.** Regressions between discharge (Q) and DOC concentrations (C) were performed using the CQregression function in the RiverLoad package (Nava et al., 2019) for GC in 2002, 2003, 2006, 2008, 2015 and 2016. A statistically significant correlation between C and Q was necessary to perform the regression.

Kaiser-Meyer-Olkin factor  
Overall MSA = 0.77

MSA for each item:

FI = 0.98

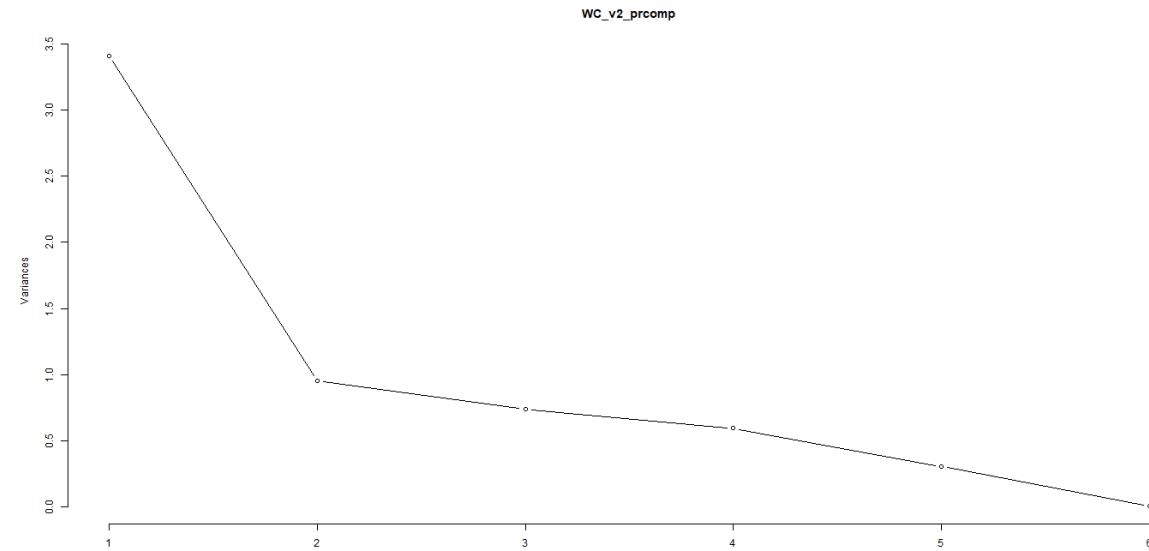
Fresh = 0.68

HIX = 0.86

BIX = 0.69

SUVA = 0.91

DOC = 0.94



**Figure S2.** Scree plot for PCA.

	<b>PC1</b>	<b>PC2</b>	<b>PC3</b>	<b>PC4</b>
Standard dev	1.8472	0.9747	0.8577	0.7702
Proportion of variance	0.5687	0.1583	0.1226	0.09887
Cumulative proportion	0.5687	0.7270	0.8496	0.9485

**Table S3.** Standard deviation, proportion of variance explained by each PC (x100 for %) and cumulative proportion explained.

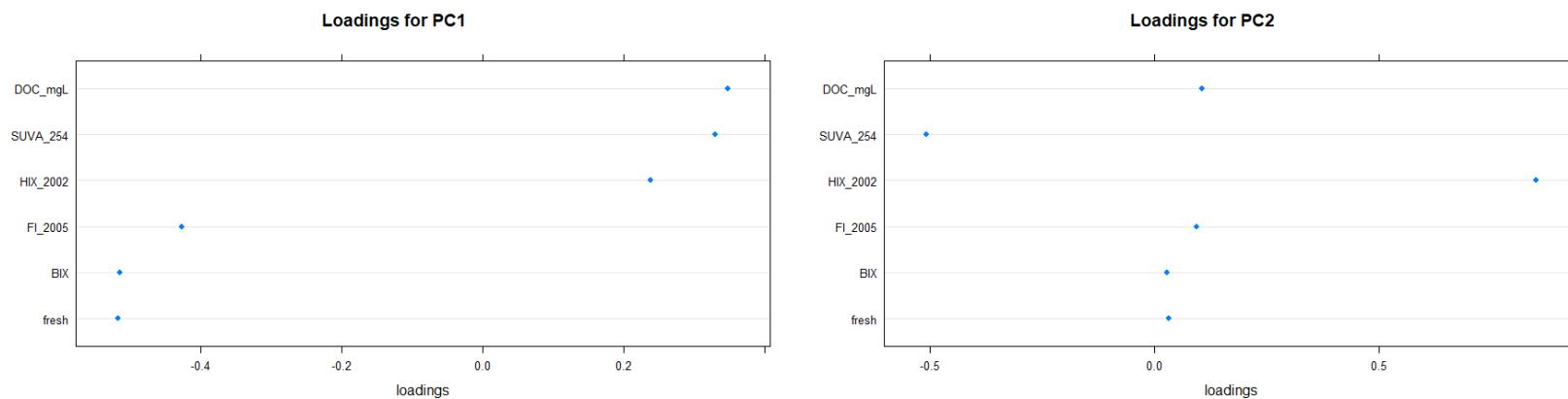


Figure S3. Dot plots of loadings per PC in PCA.