

Table S3. Chironomidae assemblage metrics employed for the Chironomidae Index of Biotic Integrity (CIBI) in estuaries of the Caribbean coast of Costa Rica.

<b>Metric Type</b>	<b>Metric Name</b>	<b>Metric Calculation Description</b>	<b>Response to Disturbance</b>	<b>Theoretical Range</b>
Richness	Total species richness	Total number of species	Decrease	0-∞
Richness	Margalef's Diversity Index	Margalef's Diversity Index score is based on species richness	Decrease	0-16
Relative Richness	% Tolerance	Relative richness (%) of specimens in sample with tolerance values greater than 7, using Southeast USA-derived tolerance values	Increase	0-100
Relative Richness	% Intolerance	Relative richness (%) of specimens in sample with tolerance values less than 3, using Southeast USA-derived tolerance values	Decrease	0-100
Relative Abundance	Berger-Parker Index of Dominance	Relative abundance of dominant species	Increase	0-8
Relative Abundance	% Orthocladiinae	Relative abundance (%) of Orthocladiinae	Decrease	0-100
Relative Abundance	% Chironomini	Relative abundance (%) of Chironomini	Increase	0-100
Relative Abundance	% Tanytarsini	Relative abundance (%) of Tanytarsini	Decrease	0-100
Biotic Index	Hilsenhoff's Biotic Index	Abundance weighted average of each genus using Southeast USA-derived tolerance values.	Increase	0-10
Diversity	Shannon's Diversity Index	Shannon's Diversity Index score is based on species richness and evenness	Decrease	0-4