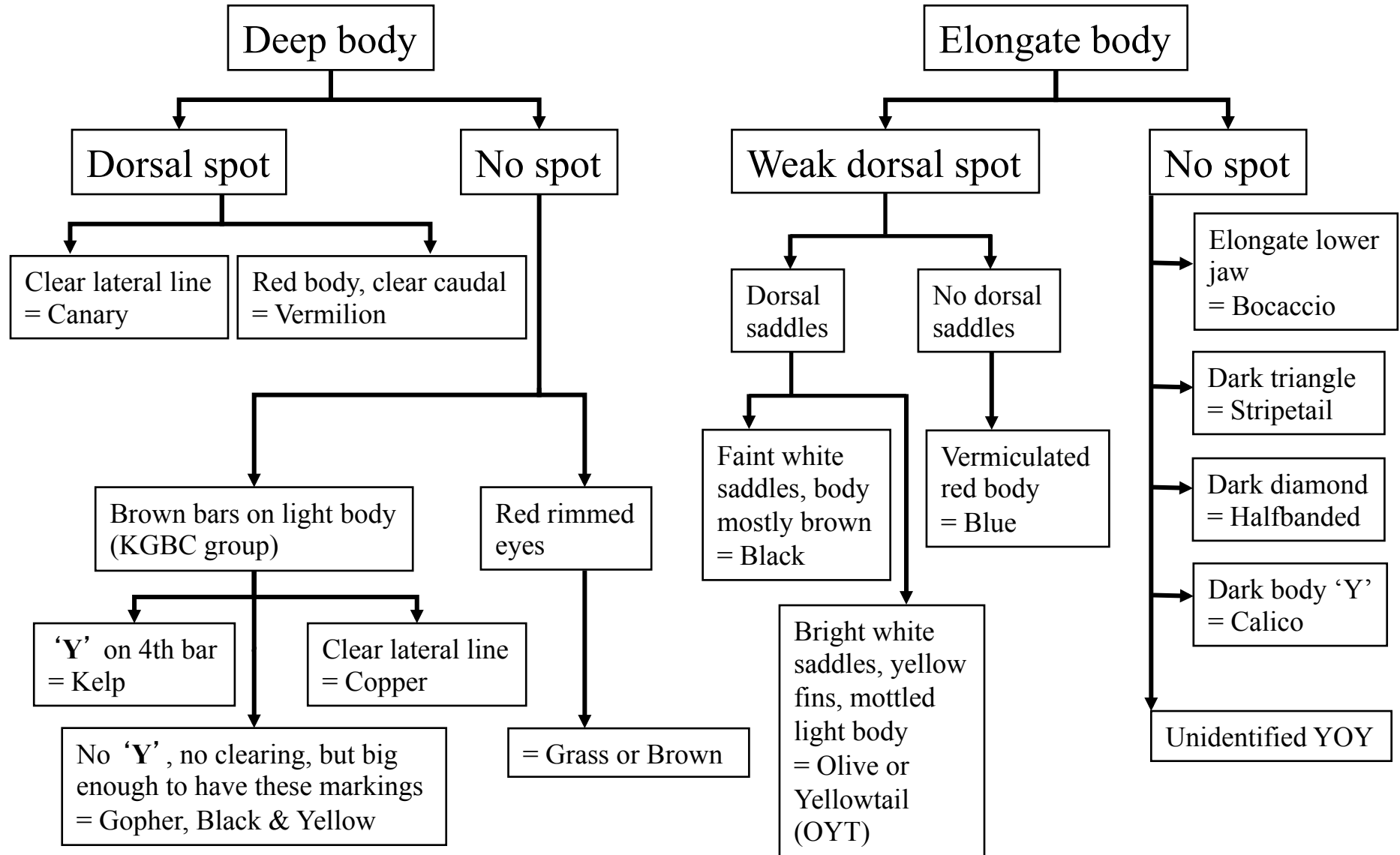


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Deep body YOY

Dorsal spot



Big spot, clear lateral line
= Canary



Red body, clear caudal
= Vermilion
(Dorsal spot quickly fades w/growth)

No dorsal spot

Clearing on lateral line
= Copper



'Y' on 4th bar
= Kelp



No 'Y', no clearing, but big
enough to have these markings
= Gopher, Black & Yellow



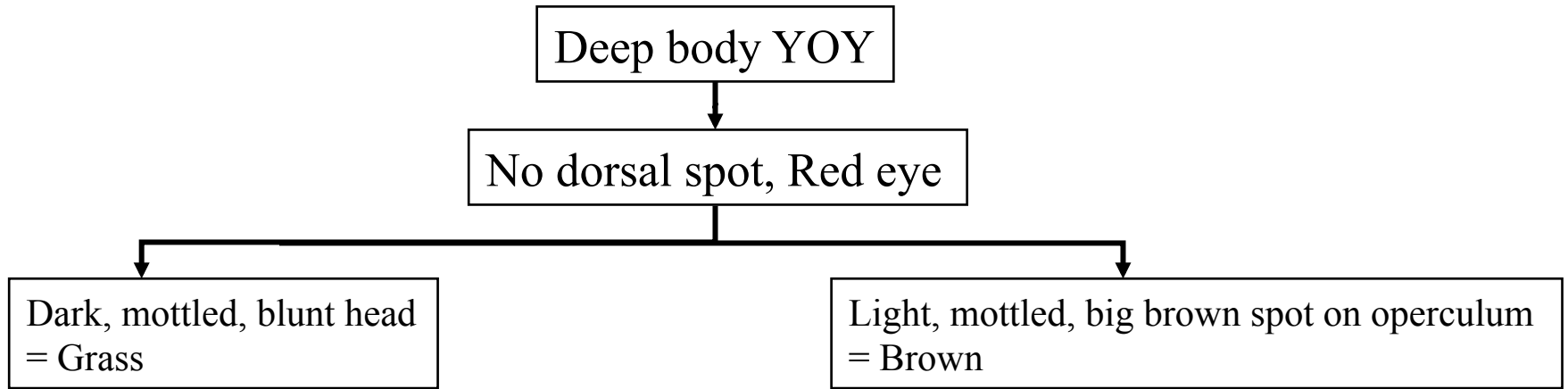
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Black & Yellow

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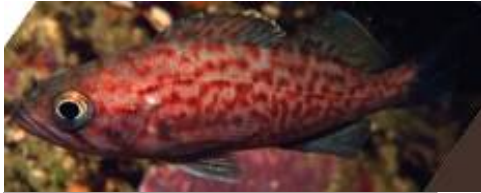
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Elongate body

Dorsal spot



Vermiculated (wavy) red lines
= Blue



Faint white dorsal saddles, mostly a
solid brown body
= Black



Bright white dorsal saddles, yellow fins
= Olive or Yellowtail (aka OYT)



No spot

Elongate lower jaw,
brown body spots
= Bocaccio



Dark triangle
under second
dorsal fin
= Stripetail



Dark diamond mid-body
= Halfbanded



Golden eye, dark 'Y' extending
diagonally onto dorsal fin
= Calico

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Elongate body: YOY black vs. blue rockfish



Not vermiculated, mostly uniform golden-brown color,
weak dorsal white patches, weak spot on dorsal fin
= Black

Vermiculated (wavy lines) red
on blue when newly settled,
very weak spot on dorsal fin
= Blue

