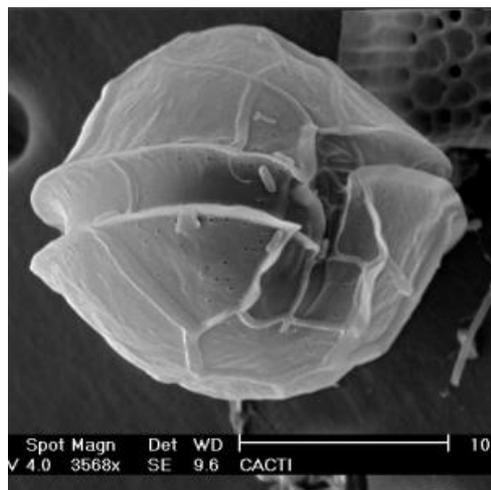
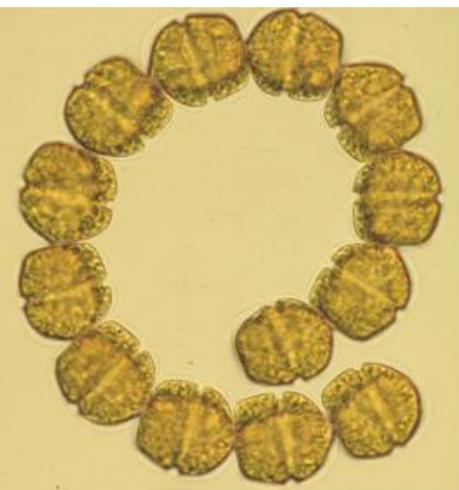


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Galicia:

1195 km de costa

29,575 km²

2,737,370 habitantes

Galicia



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Portugal

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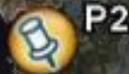


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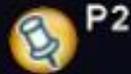
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Estación de Bueu



Bueu

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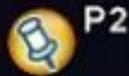


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Polígono de bateas



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 Estación oceanográfica P2

Bateas
Cultivo de mejillón



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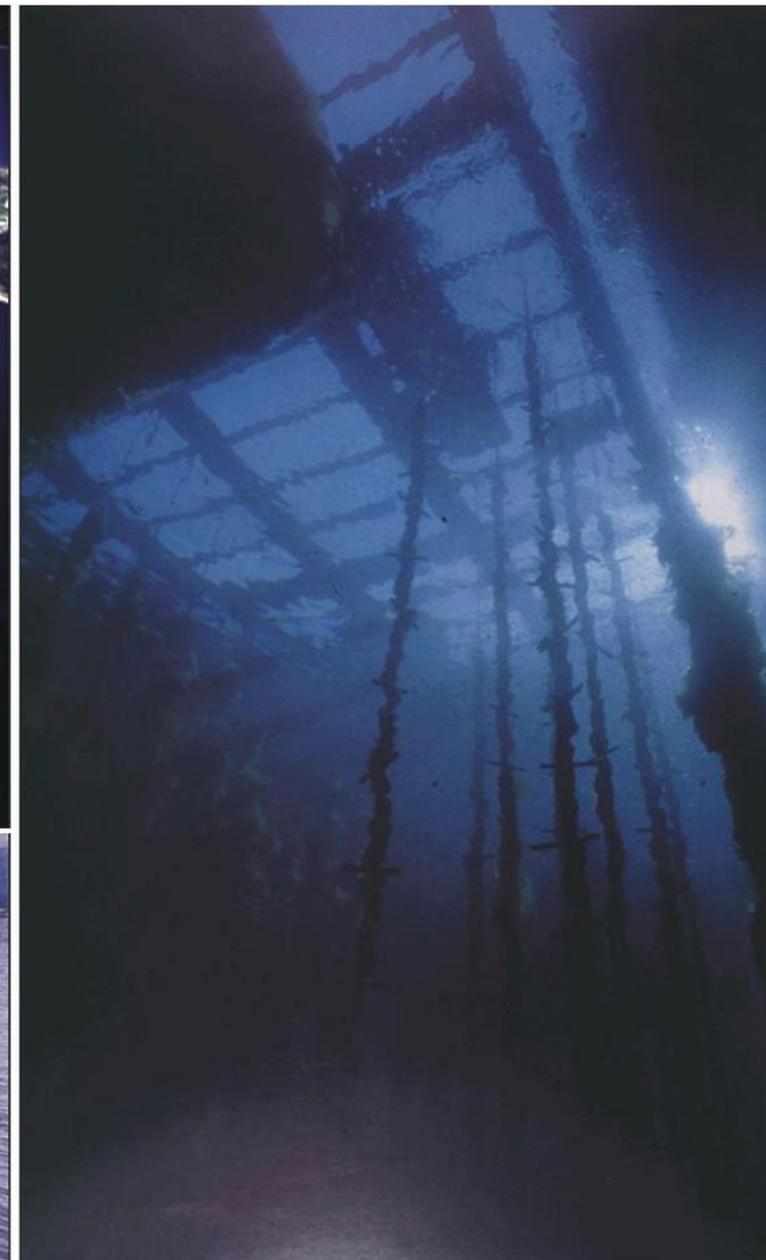
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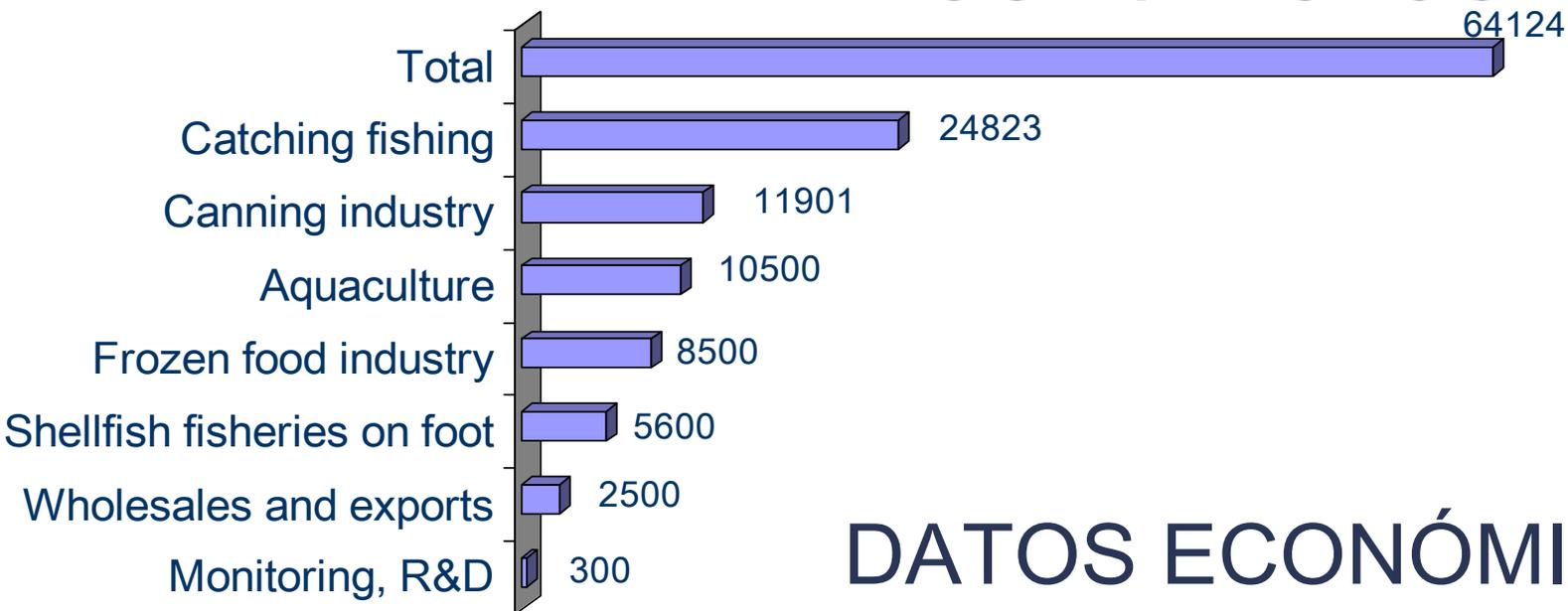
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Importancia social de la pesca

EMPLEOS DIRECTOS



DATOS ECONÓMICOS

Catching sector and fish processing industry $1,583 \times 10^6 \text{ €}$

Galician G.D.P. $33,600 \times 10^6 \text{ €}$

Amount of fishing in the G.D.P. 4.6 %

SECTOR DEL MAR EN GALICIA

SECTOR MARISQUERO

Mariscadoras a pie

5,600 shellfisherwomen

(99% women)



Mariscadores a flote

6,000 shellfishermen (mainly men)

2,903 authorised boats



SECTOR DEL MAR EN GALICIA

marisqueo

La producción anual es sobre 9000 toneladas y unos 64 millones de €



Clams:

Annual production 4,450,142 Kgs
First sail income 45,203,639 euros



Cockles:

Annual production 4,142,744 Kgs
First sail income 15,564,754 euros



Razor clams:

Annual production 155,129 Kgs
First sail income 2,156,750 euros



Pectinids:

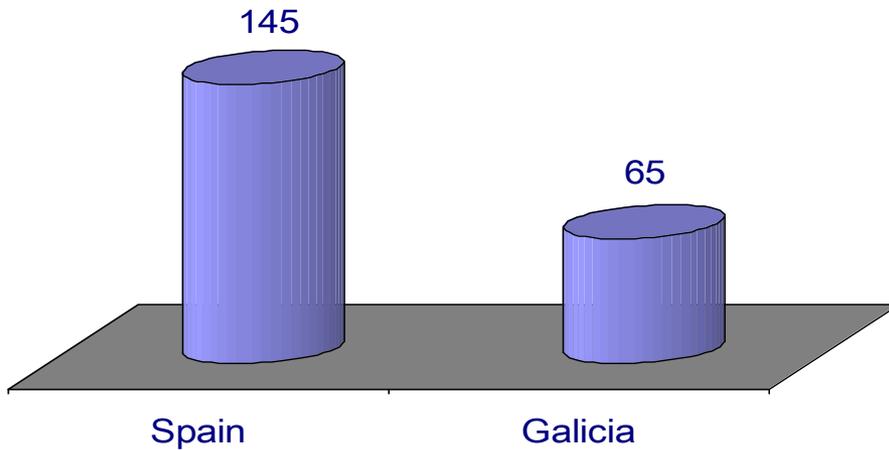
Annual production 289,158 Kgs
First sail income 1,247,944 euros



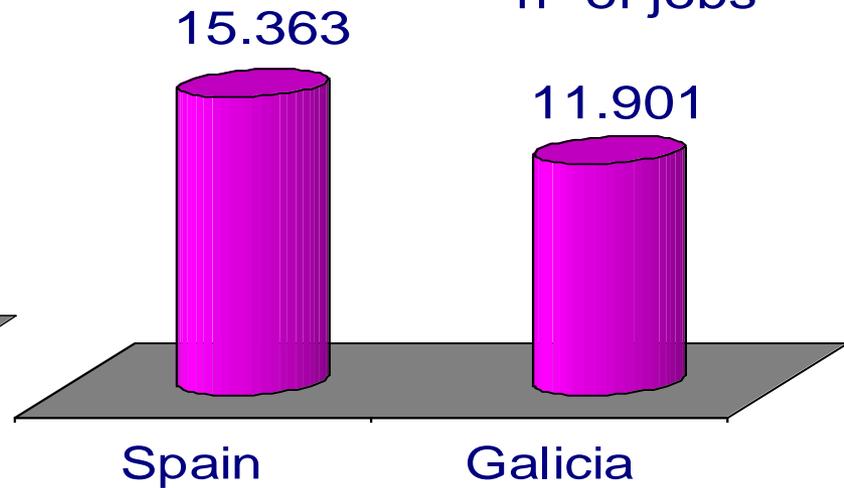
Oysters:

Annual production 25,709 Kgs
First sail income 94,924 euros

nº of factories



nº of jobs



Source: ANFACO

Volume of Spanish exports	177,233 t	413 x 10 ⁶ €
Volume of Galician exports	90,386 t	284 x 10 ⁶ €

Source: ANFACO

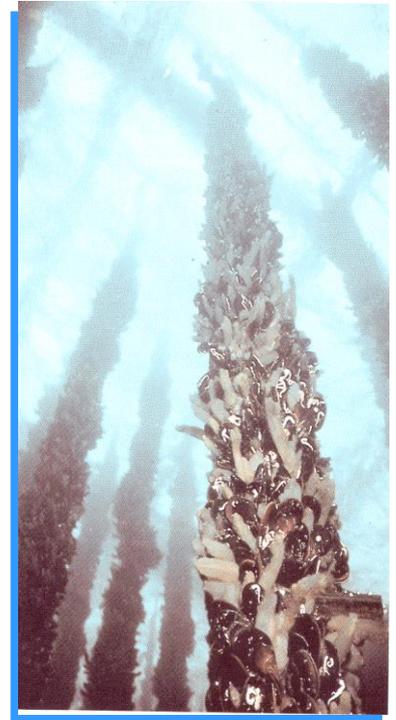
El mejillón es la especie base de la acuicultura en Galicia

La producción anual es de 250,000-275,000 toneladas año siendo

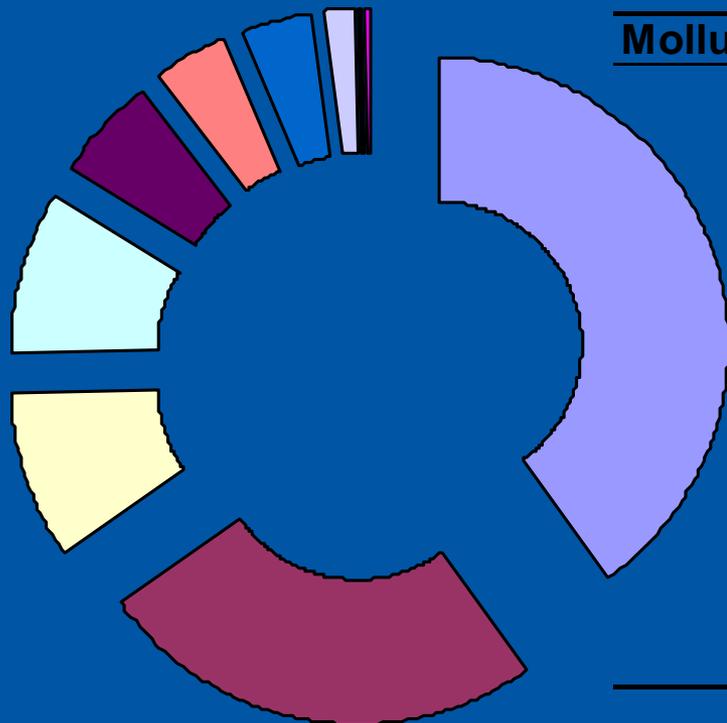
95% of de la producción española,

37% de la producción europea

21 % de la producción mundial



Mollucs production in Europa in 2004 (tonnes live weight)

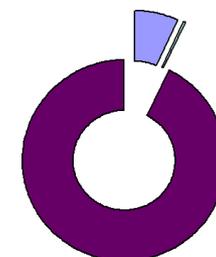
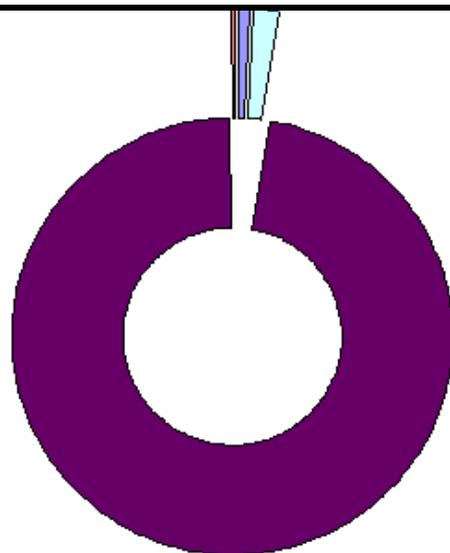


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Netherlands	70400
Italy	70357
Ireland	43092
United Kingdom	32500
Greece	28803
Germany	12559
Portugal	2681
Sweden	1435
Slovenia	164
Denmark	55



Galicia is the main producer of shellfish in Spain

	2013	2013	2013
	<i>Mytilus galloprovincialis</i>	<i>Ruditapes philippinarum</i>	10 ³ Tonnes
■ Andalucía	1601940	102280	1,70
■ Baleares	129800		0,13
■ Cantabria		650	0,00
■ Cataluña	3436280	5270	3,44
■ Galicia	183169490	1384910	184,55
■ Valencia	607430		0,61
TOTAL Kg	188944940	1493110	190,44



Rafts for mussel farming

Inshore fishing boats

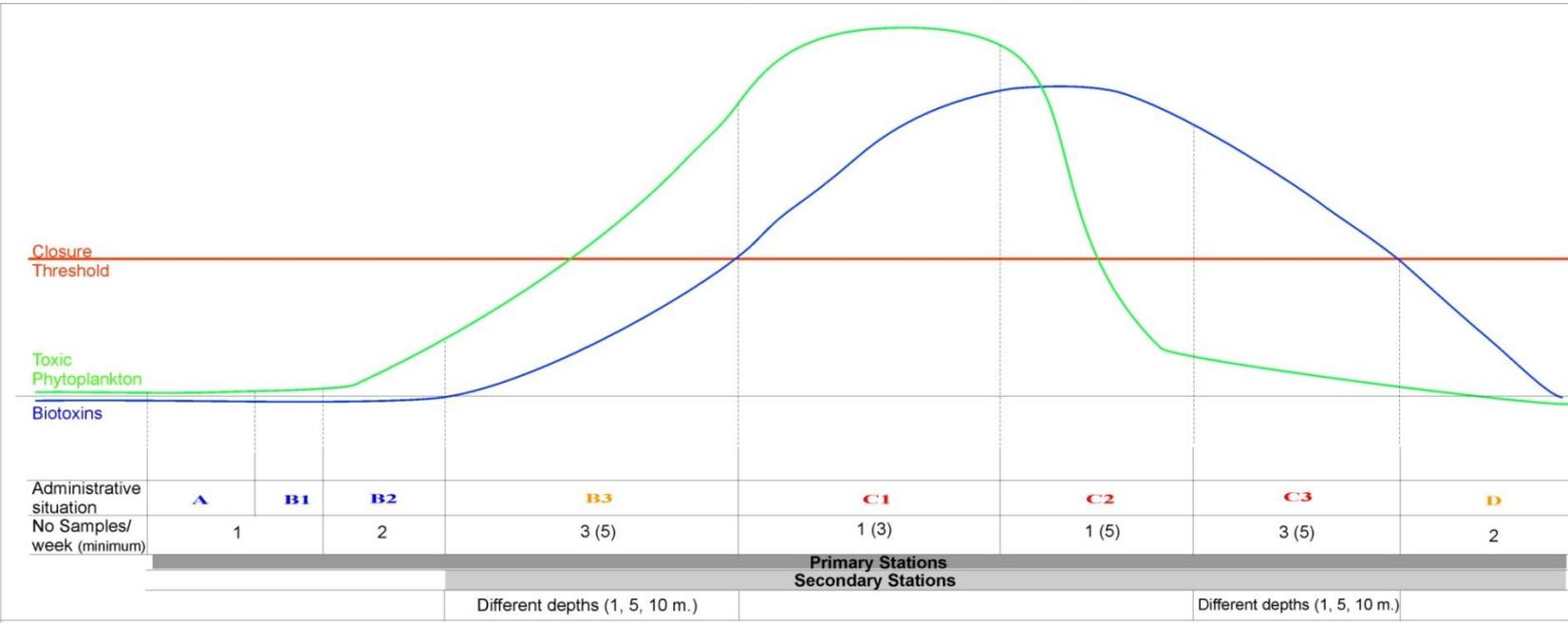
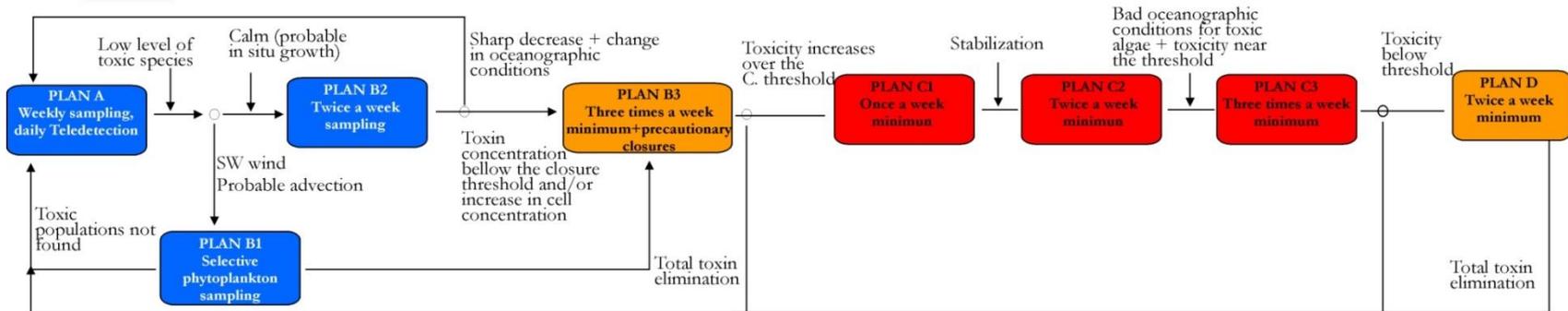
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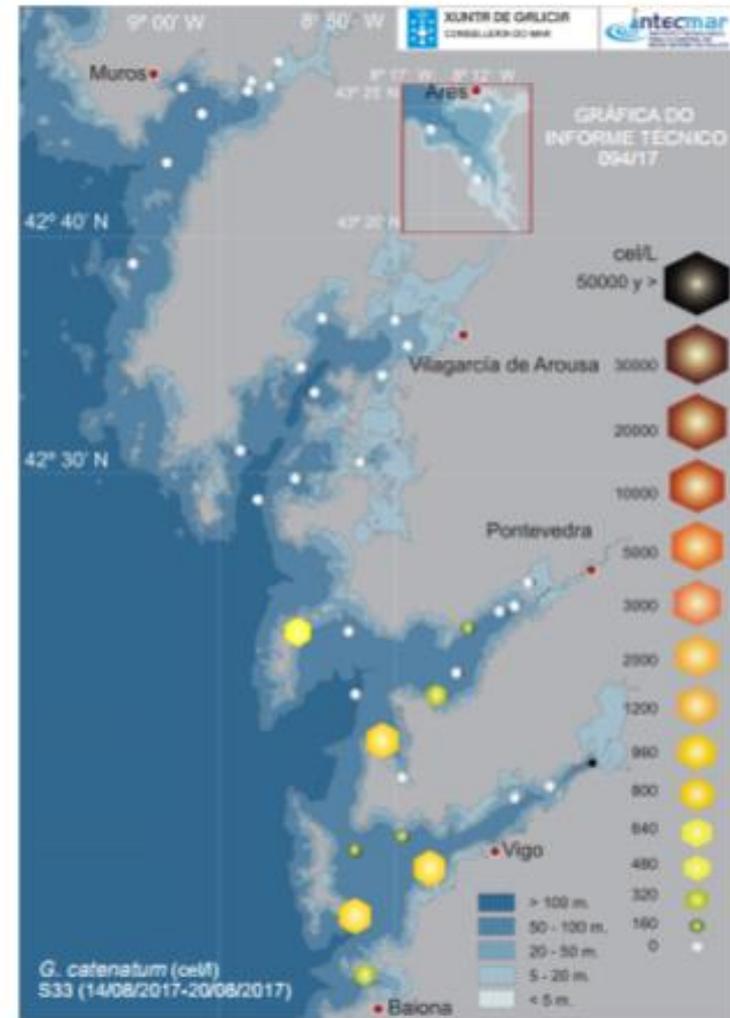
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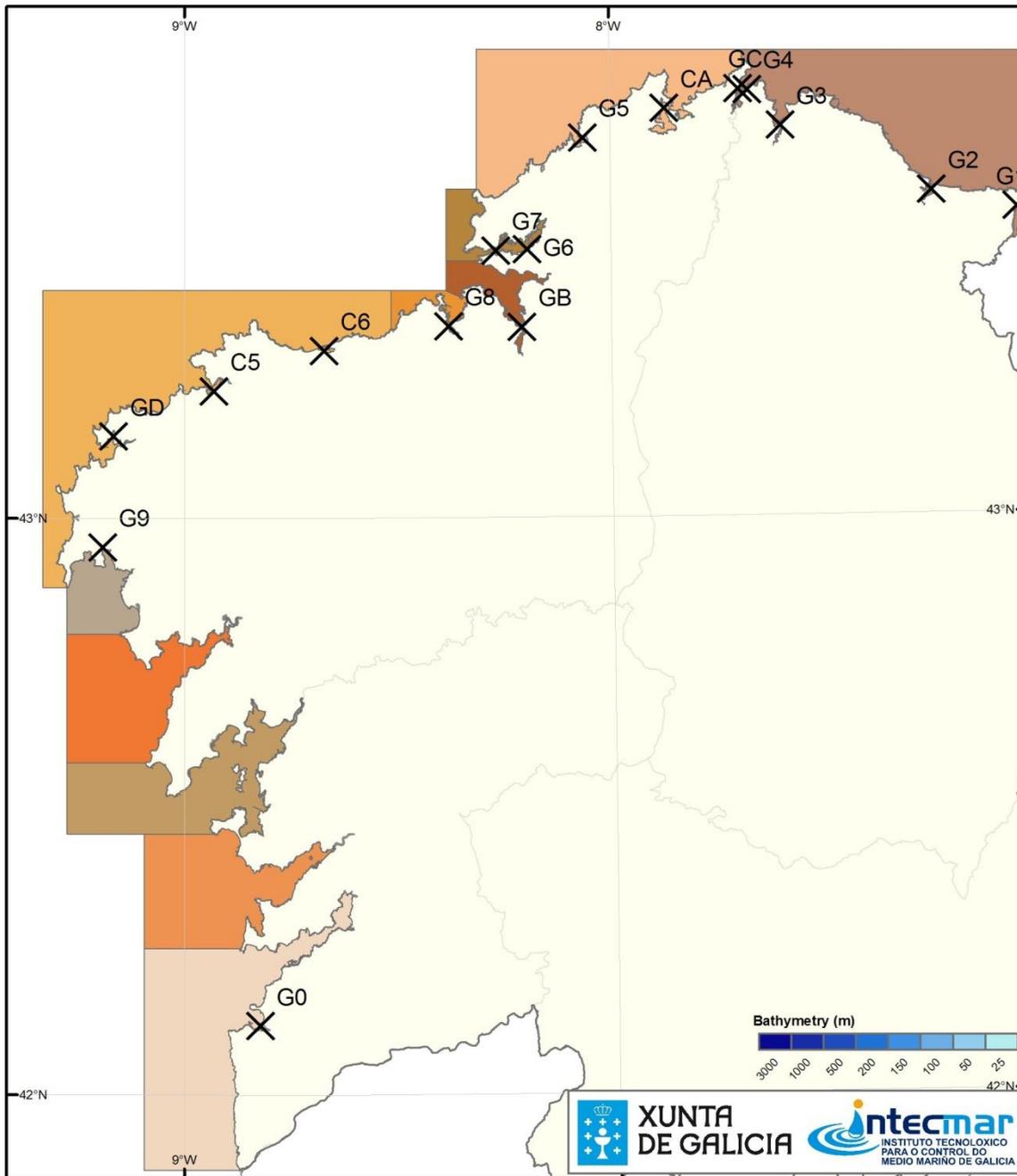
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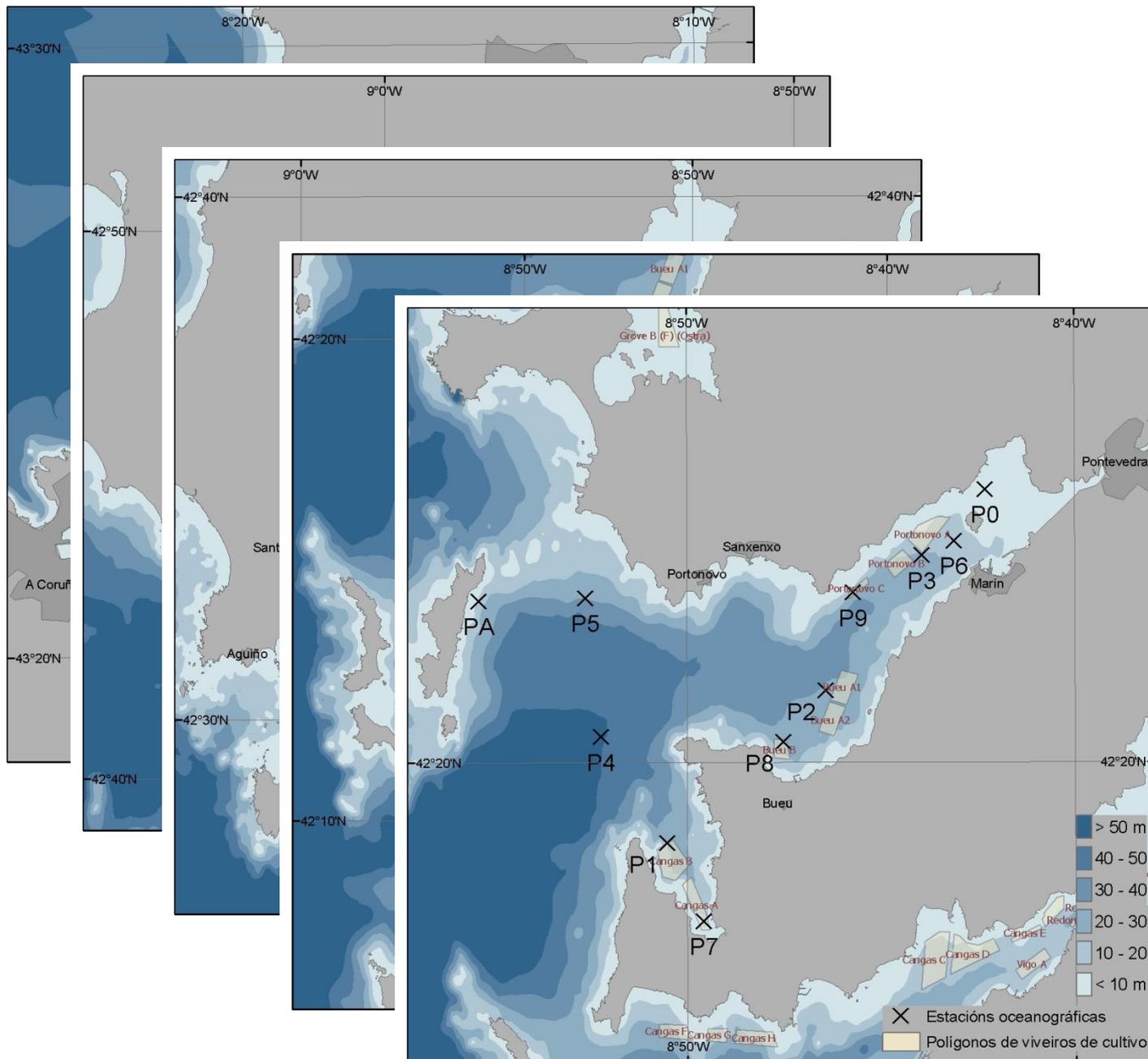
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				PSP	Lipofílicas	ASP		
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Muros-Noia	II	II	Muros A				Aberta (03/06/2017)	
Muros-Noia	III	III	Noia A				Aberta (27/05/2017)	
Muros-Noia	IV	IV	Muros C				Aberta (06/06/2017)	
Pontevedra	I	I.1	Cangas A	✓	B3	B2	B1	Aberta (15/06/2017)
Pontevedra	I	I.2	Cangas B	✓	B3	B2	B1	Aberta (17/06/2017)
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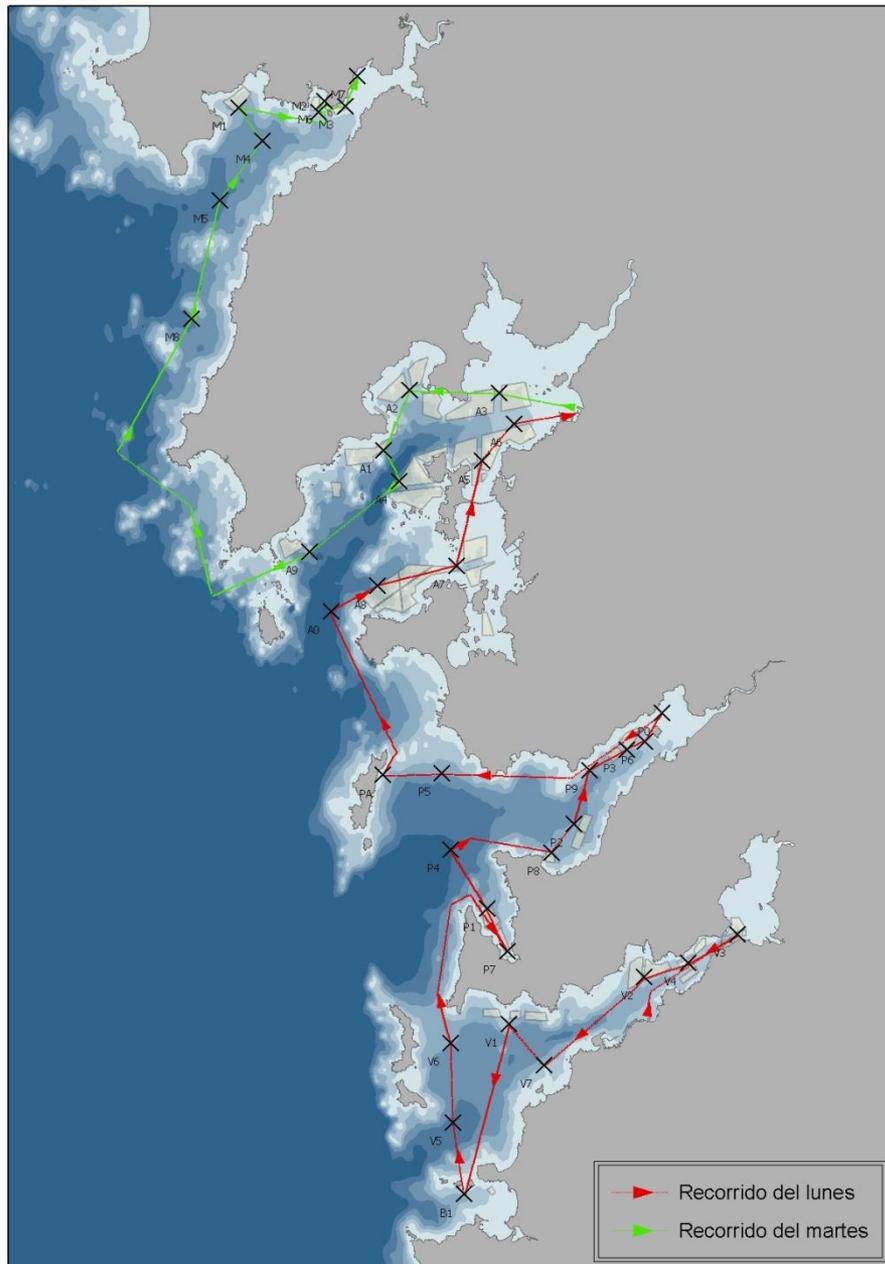






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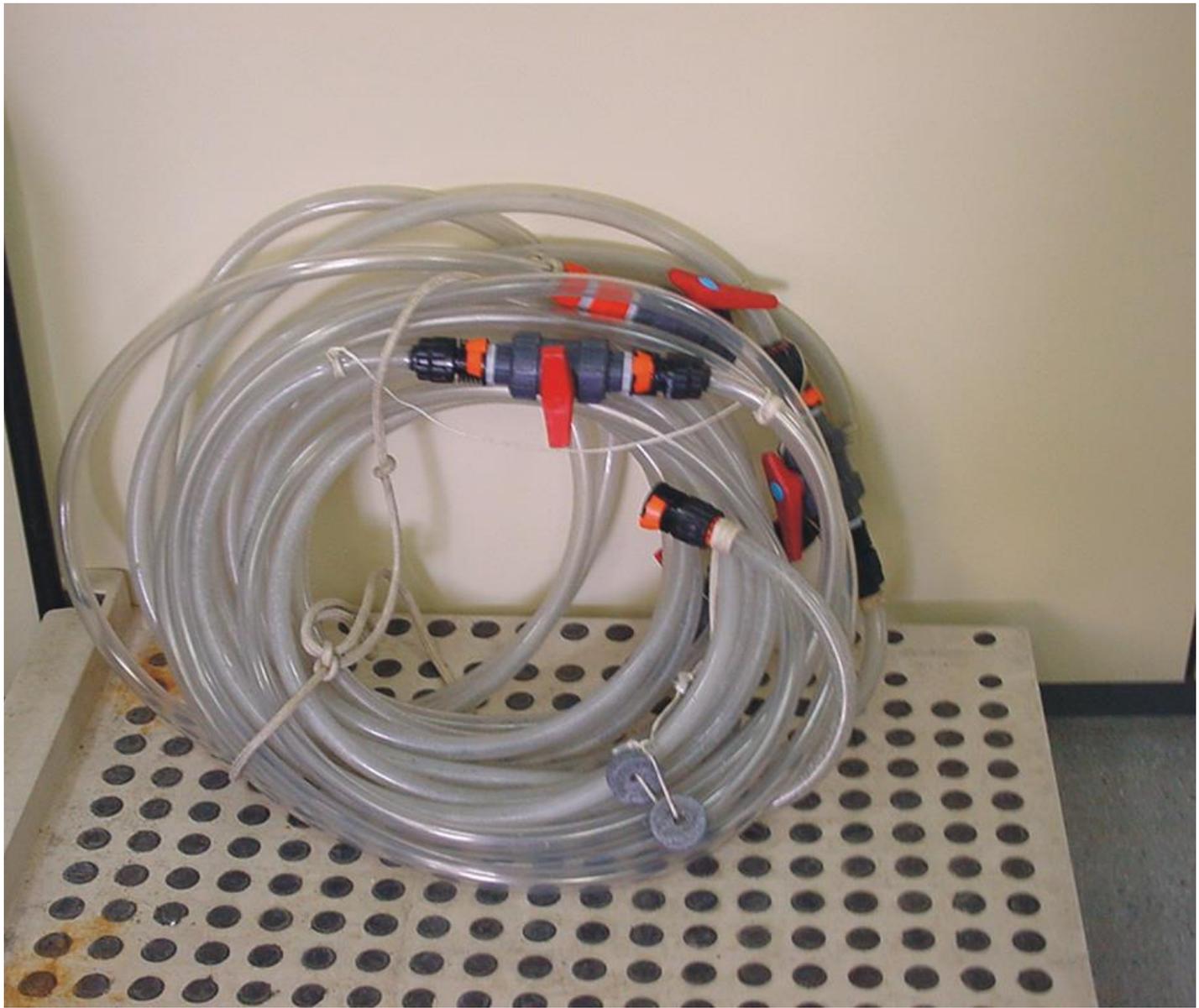






























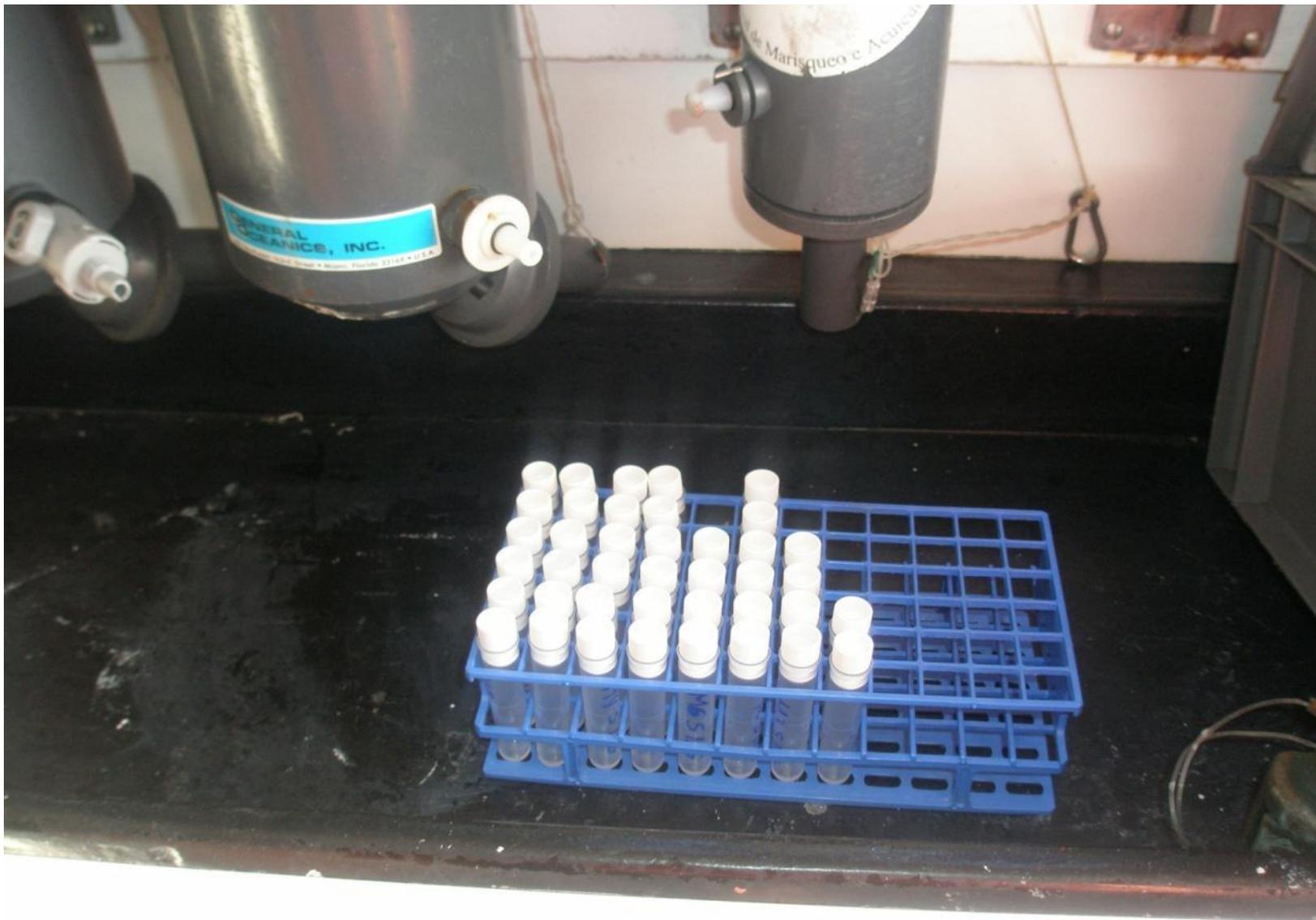


























Red tide off Moon Bay in Shenzhen, S China

Sample Bottles



Edler and Elbrätcher in Karlson et al 2010

Preservation agents

Recipes for Lugol's iodine solution

Acidic	Alkaline	Neutral
20 g potassium iodide (KI)	20 g potassium iodide (KI)	20 g potassium iodide (KI)
10 g iodine (I ₂)	10 g iodine (I ₂)	10 g iodine (I ₂)
20 g conc. acetic acid	50 g sodium acetate	200 mL distilled water
200 mL distilled water	200 mL distilled water	

Utermöhl 1958, Willén 1962, Andersen and Thronsen, 2004

Preservation agents

Recipe for neutral formaldehyde: Filter after one week to remove any precipitates.

Neutral formaldehyde

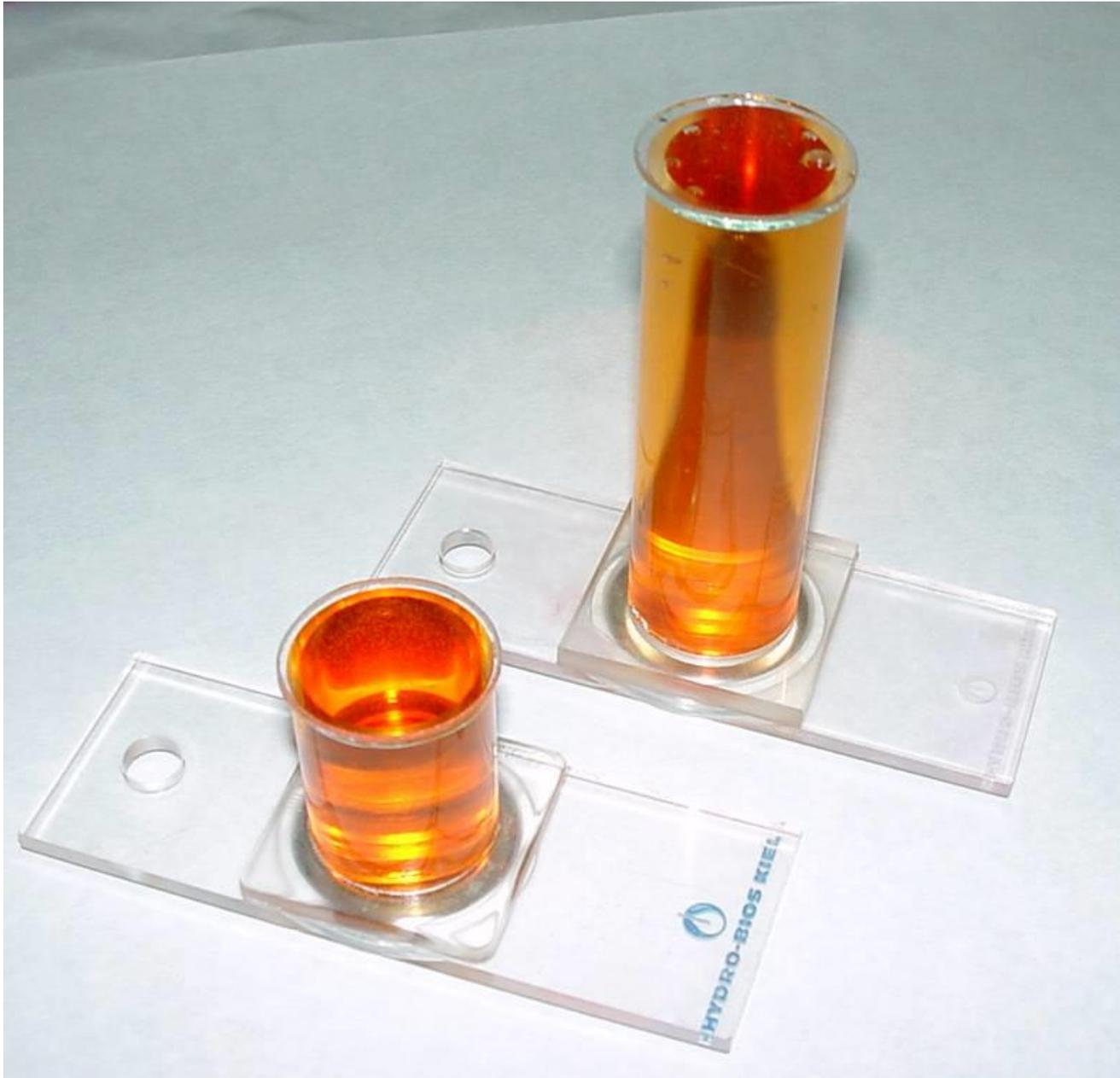
500 mL 40% formaldehyde

500 mL distilled water

100 g hexamethylenetetramid

pH 7.3 – 7.9

Thronsdén 1978, Edler 1979, Andersen and Thronsdén 2004



The inverted microscope



Phase- and/or differential interference-contrast for general phytoplankton

Bright-field for coccolithophorids

Epifluorescence for samples stained

Autofluorescence in live samples (chlorophyll)

Fixed sample fluorescence (calcofluor for plates of dinoflagellates) DAPI (staining of nucleic acids)...

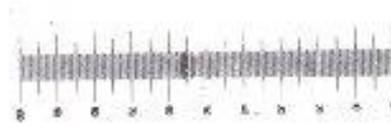


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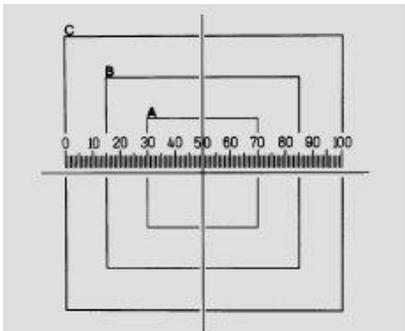
Basic Objectives: 10x, 20x, 40x, 100x oil

The inverted microscope

One eyepiece equipped with a calibrated ocular micrometer



One eyepiece equipped with a graticule® such as a square field or grids



Laboratory facilities



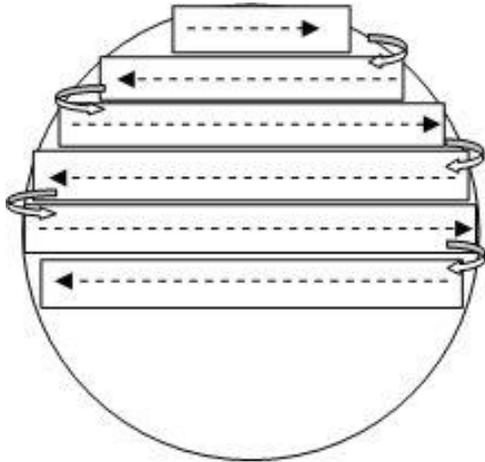
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Amenities for storing, handling, mixing and pouring samples
For washing sedimentation chambers

Facilities to stored samples in cool and dark contidions

During sedimentation should be placed horizontal and solid surfact to prevent any non random accumulaton of phytoplankton cells

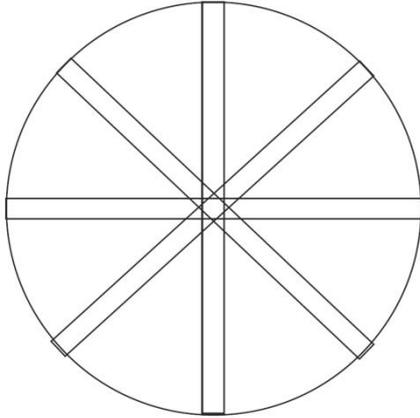
Counting procedure



Counting of the whole chamber bottom with the parallel eyepiece threads indicating the counted area.

Organisms should be identified to the lowest taxonomic level that time and skill permits (Hasle 1978)

Counting procedure



Counting of diameter transects

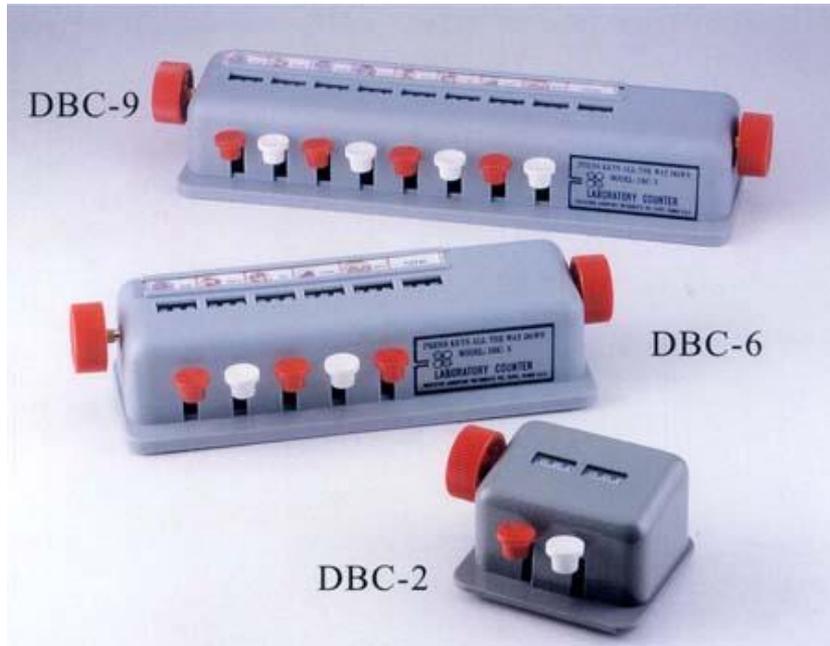
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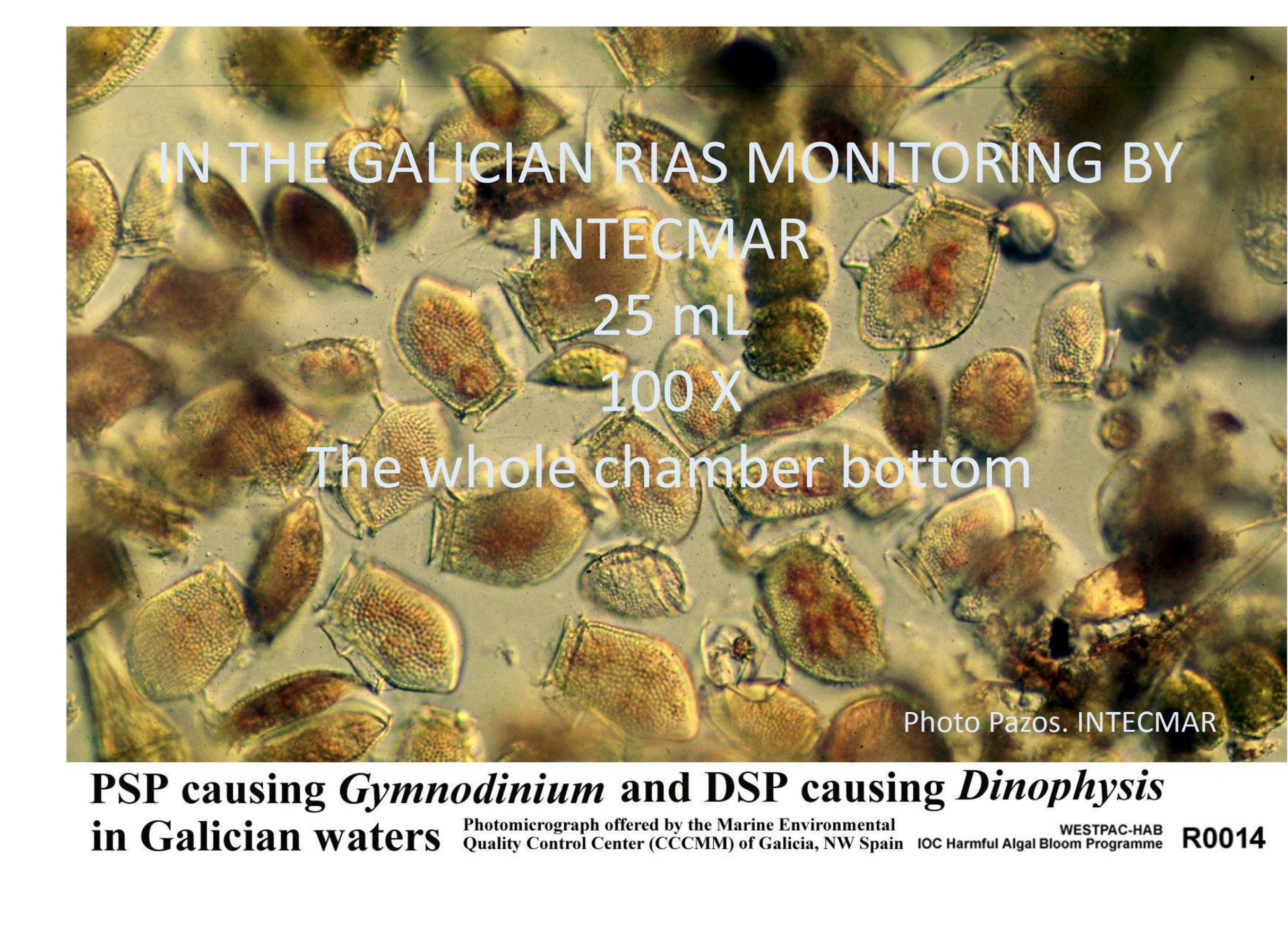
Counting procedure

Size class	Magnification
0.2-2.0 μm (picoplankton)	1000 x
2.0 – 20.0 μm (nanoplankton)	100 – 400 x
>20 μm (microplankton)	100 x

Recommended magnification for counting of different size classes of phytoplankton (Edler, 1979, Andersen and Throndsen 2004)

Medical blood cell counter



A photomicrograph showing a dense population of microscopic organisms, likely Gymnodinium and Dinophysis, in a water sample. The organisms are mostly oval or rectangular in shape with a textured, reticulated surface. Some have a reddish-brown coloration. The background is a light, slightly hazy grey.

IN THE GALICIAN RIAS MONITORING BY
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25 mL

100 X

The whole chamber bottom

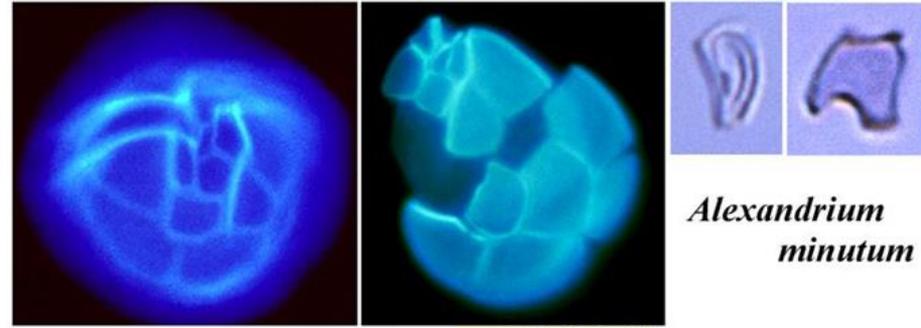
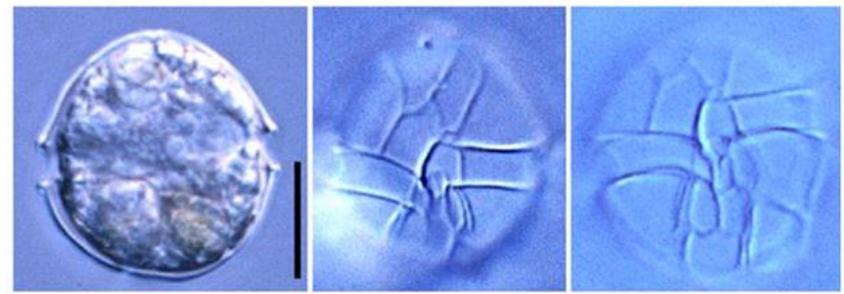
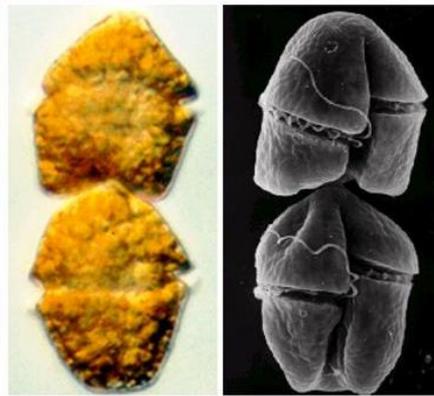
Photo Pazos. INTECMAR

**PSP causing *Gymnodinium* and DSP causing *Dinophysis*
in Galician waters**

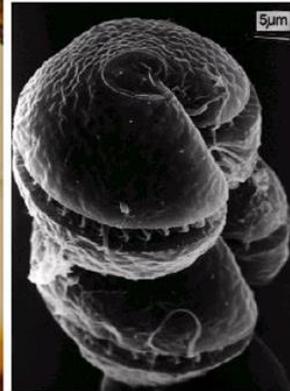
Photomicrograph offered by the Marine Environmental
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Alexandrium minutum



Gymnodinium catenatum

Photomicrographs by Sadaaki Yoshimatsu
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Alexandrium minutum

25 mL 200 X

2 diametral transects

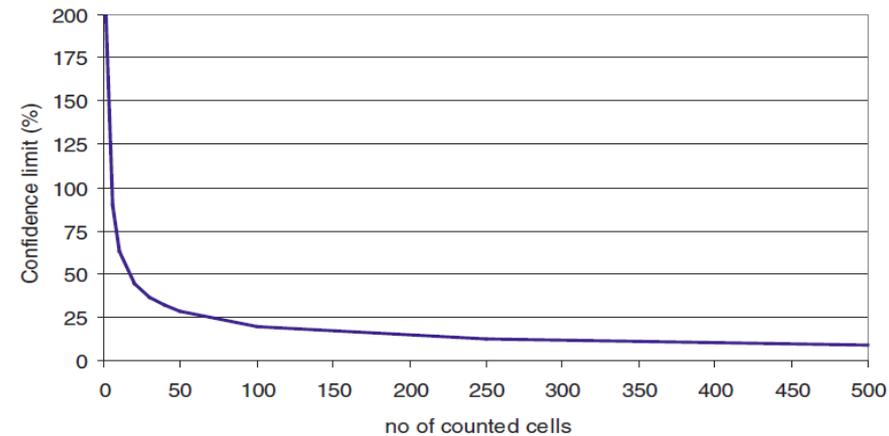
Gymnodinium catenatum

25 mL 100 X

The whole chamber bottom

How many cells to count?

No of counted cells	Confidence limit +/- (%)	Absolute limit if cell density is estimated at 500 cells L ⁻¹
1	200	500 ± 1000
2	141	500 ± 705
3	116	500 ± 580
4	100	500 ± 500
5	89	500 ± 445
6	82	500 ± 410
7	78	500 ± 380
8	71	500 ± 355
9	67	500 ± 335
10	63	500 ± 315
15	52	500 ± 260
20	45	500 ± 225
25	40	500 ± 200
50	28	500 ± 140
100	20	500 ± 100
200	14	500 ± 70
400	10	500 ± 50
500	9	500 ± 45
1000	6	500 ± 30



Relationship between number of cells counted and confidence limit at the 95% significance level

$$Precision \% = \frac{2 * 100}{\sqrt{\text{number of cells counted}}}$$

Relationship between number of cells counted and confidence limit at 95% significance level (Edler 1979, Andersen and Thronsen 2004)

Final calculations

$$\text{Cells } L^{-1} = N * \left(\frac{A_t}{A_c} \right) * \frac{1000}{V}$$

$$\text{Cells } mL^{-1} = N * \left(\frac{A_t}{A_c} \right) * \frac{1}{V}$$

V: volume of counting chamber (mL)

At: total area of the counting chamber (mm²)

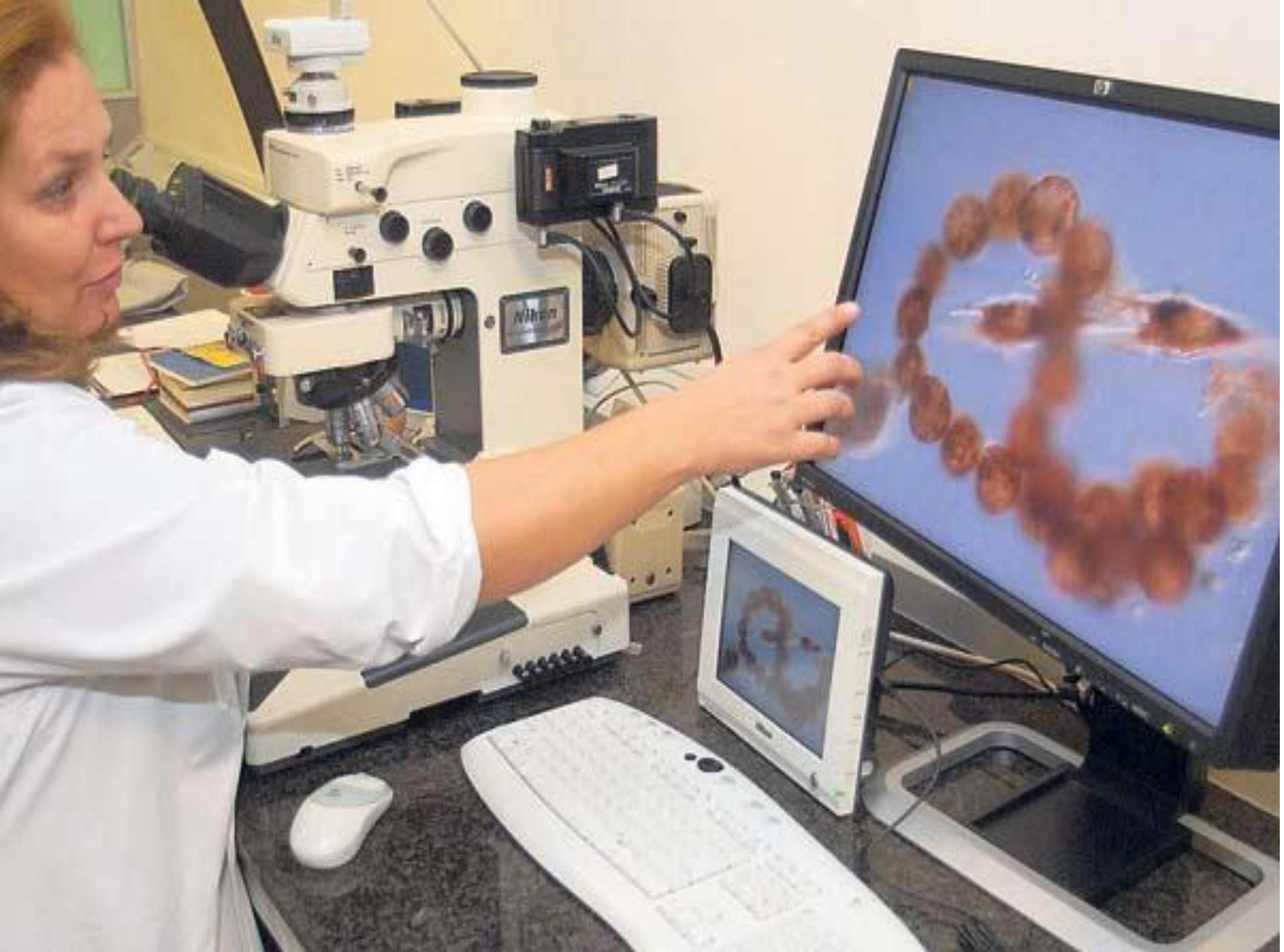
Ac: counted area of the counting chamber (mm²)

N: number of units (cells) of specific species counted

C: concentration (density) of the specific species

Cuidar la posición y la óptica



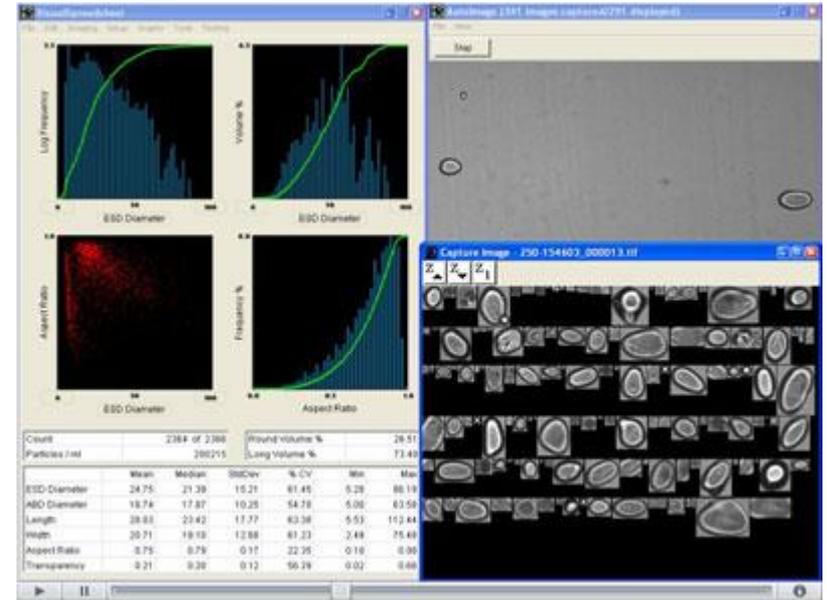


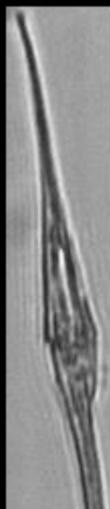
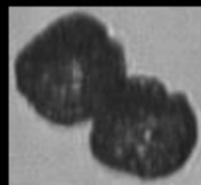
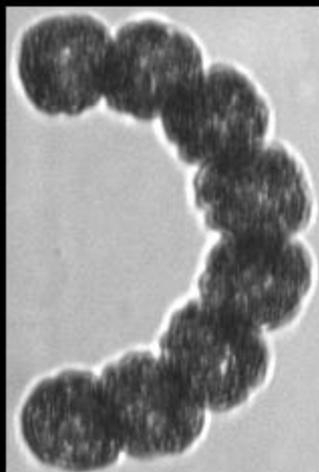
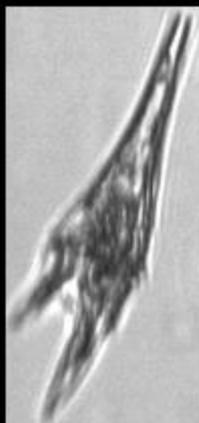
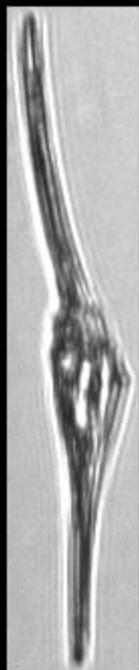
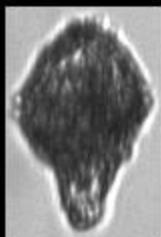
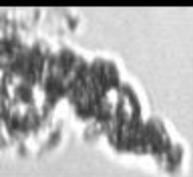
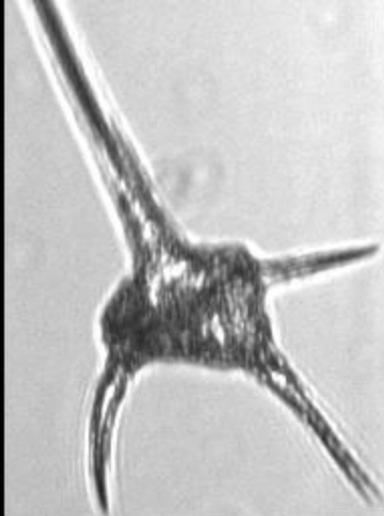
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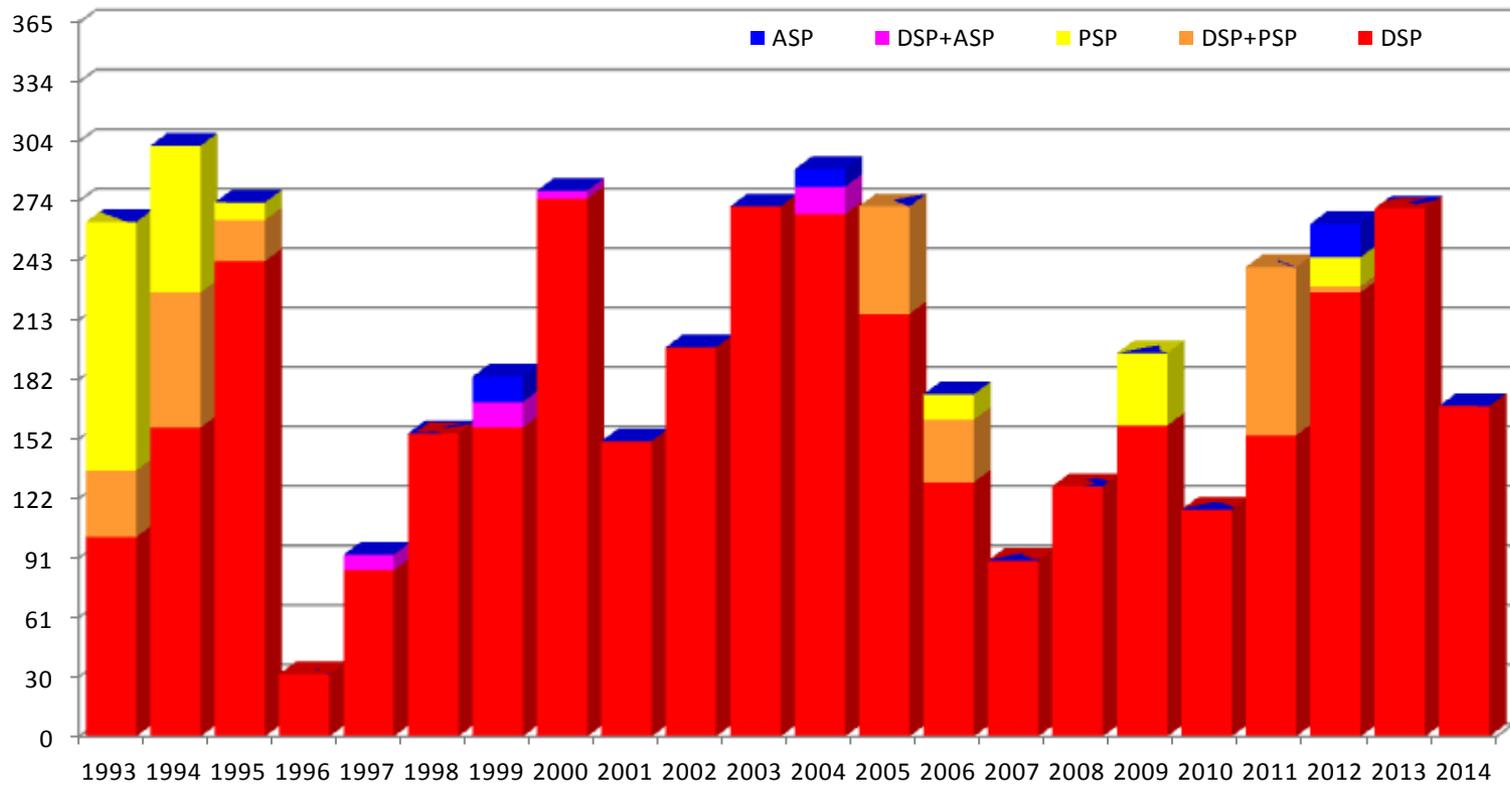
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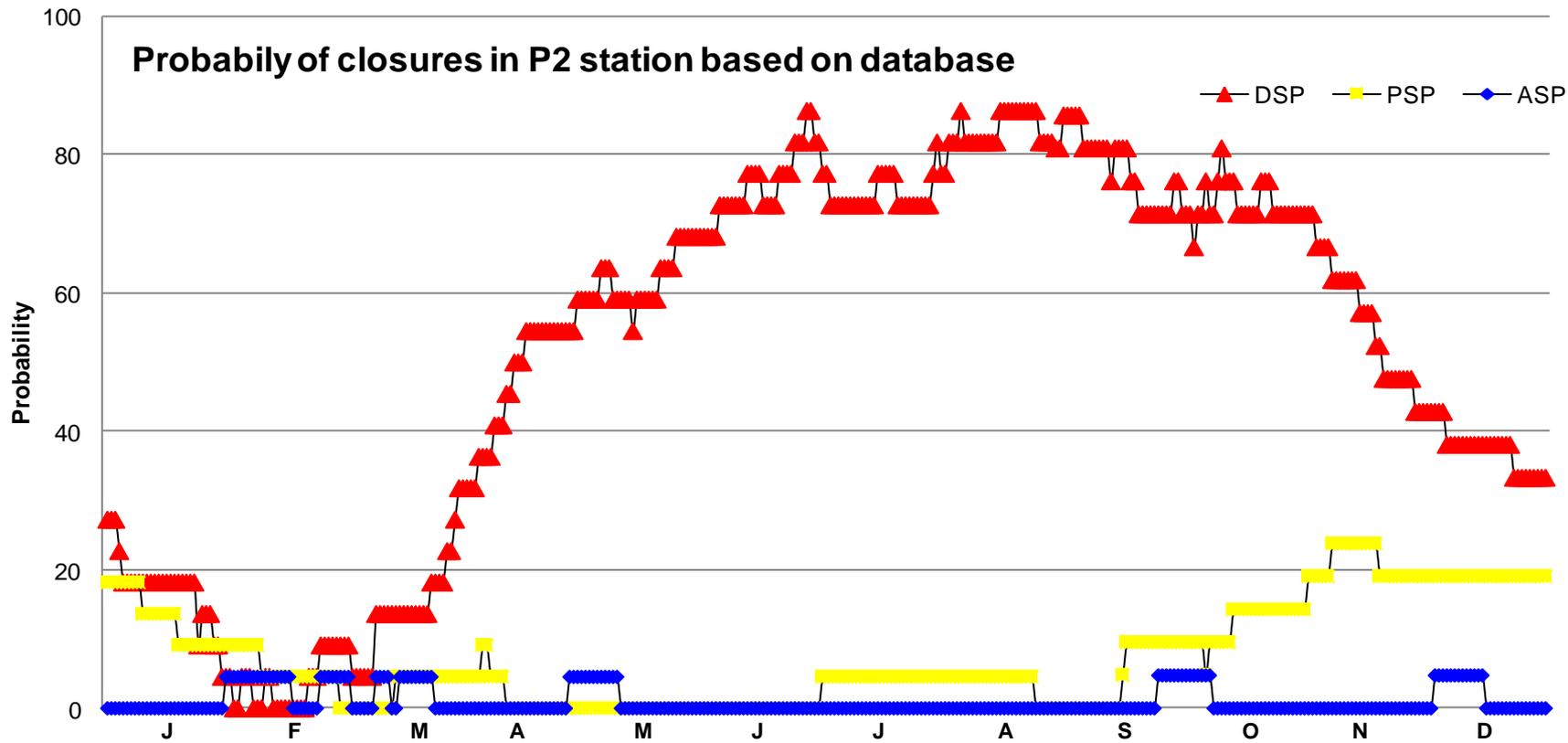
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Positive bioassay + Negative bioassay -

Dinophysis acuminata + *D. acuta* (cellL⁻¹)

Trigger levels?

1-The number of cases analysed for both variables is very high: 7606

2-The mouse bioassay analysis for the mussels and *Dinophysis acuminata* + *D. acuta* cell counts in seawater are analysis completely independent

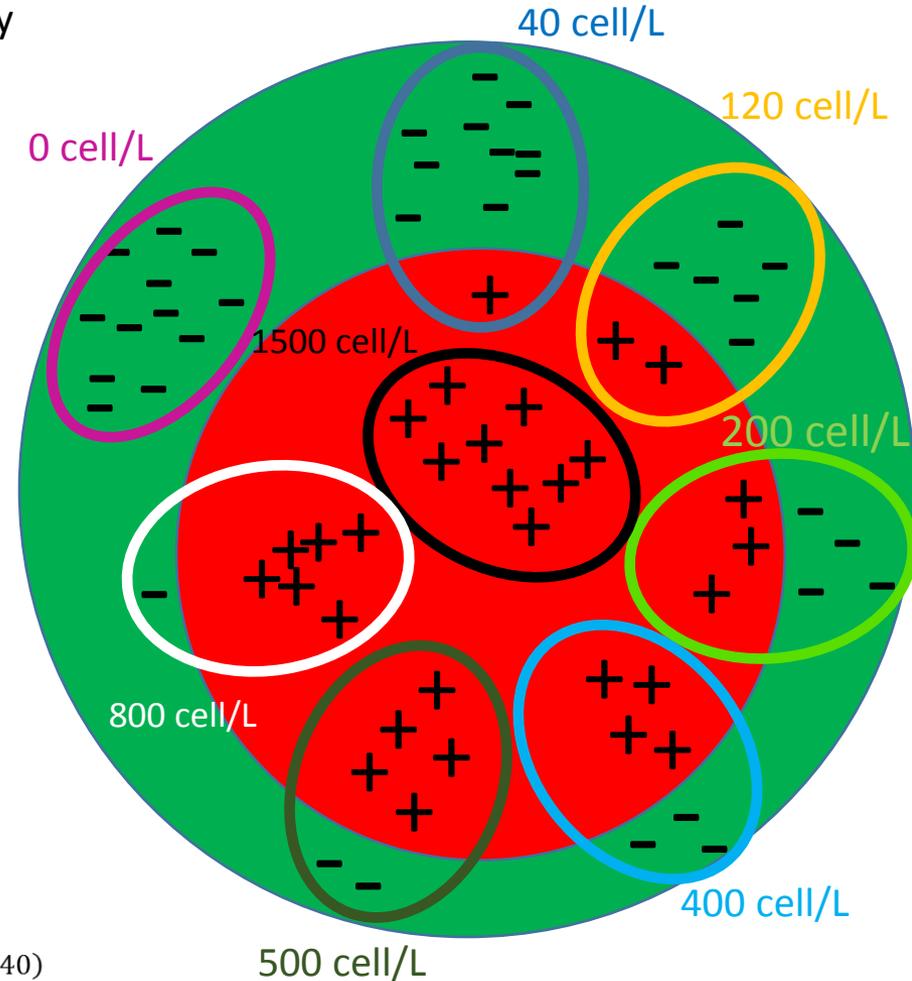
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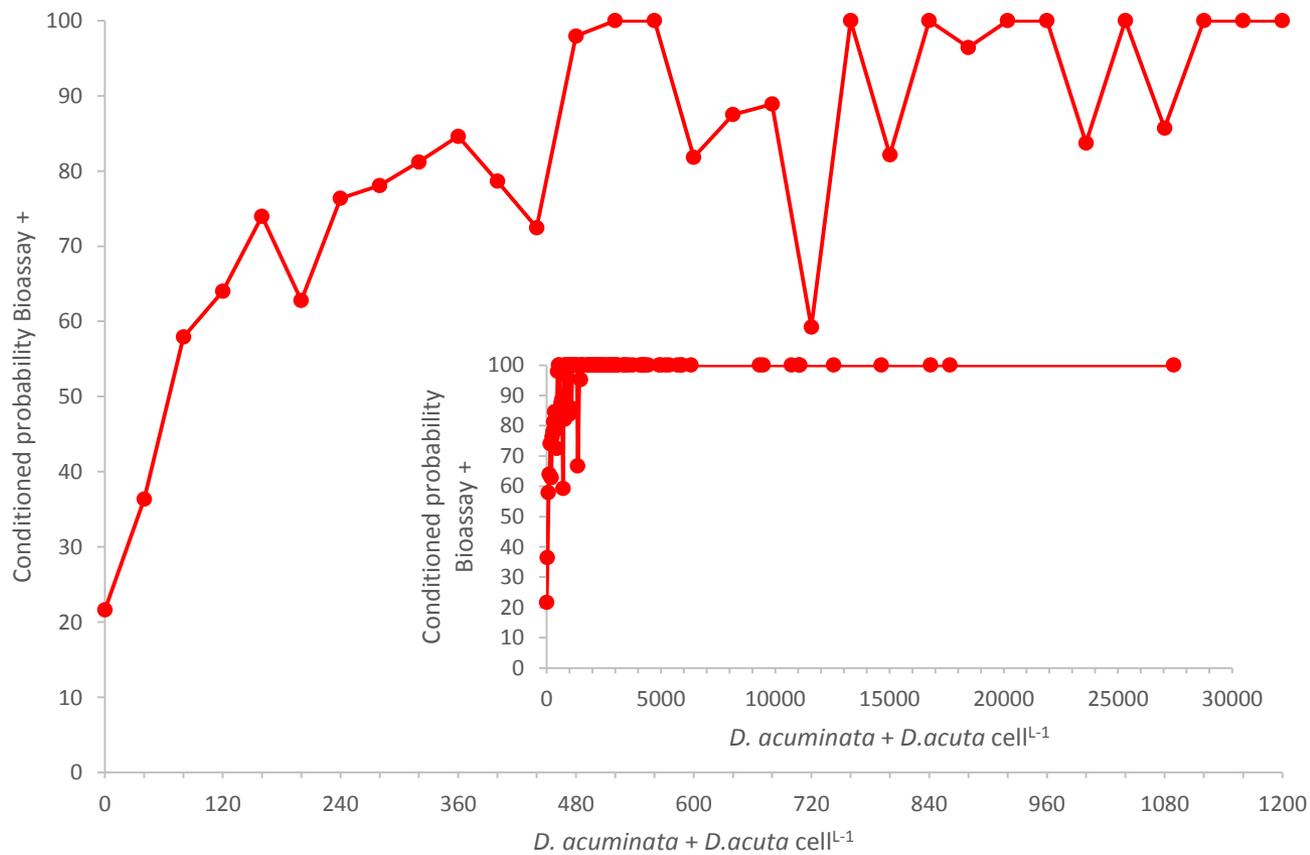
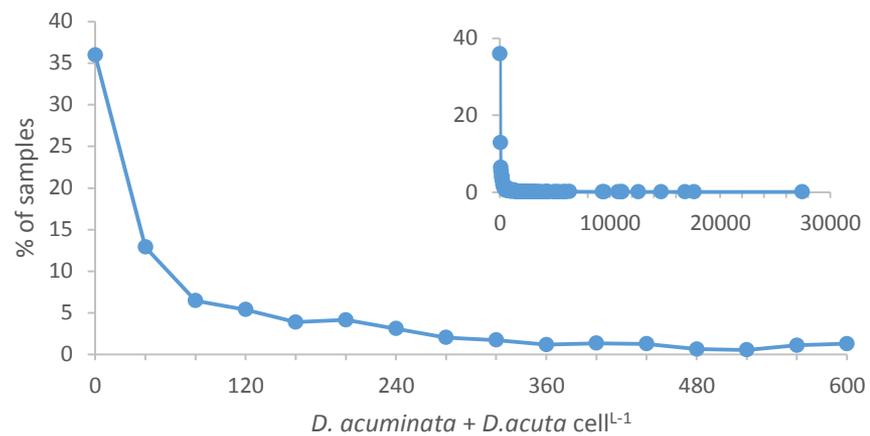
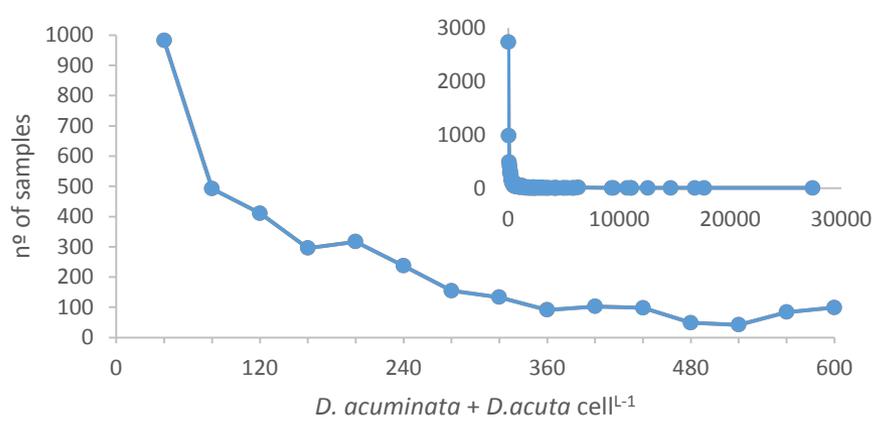
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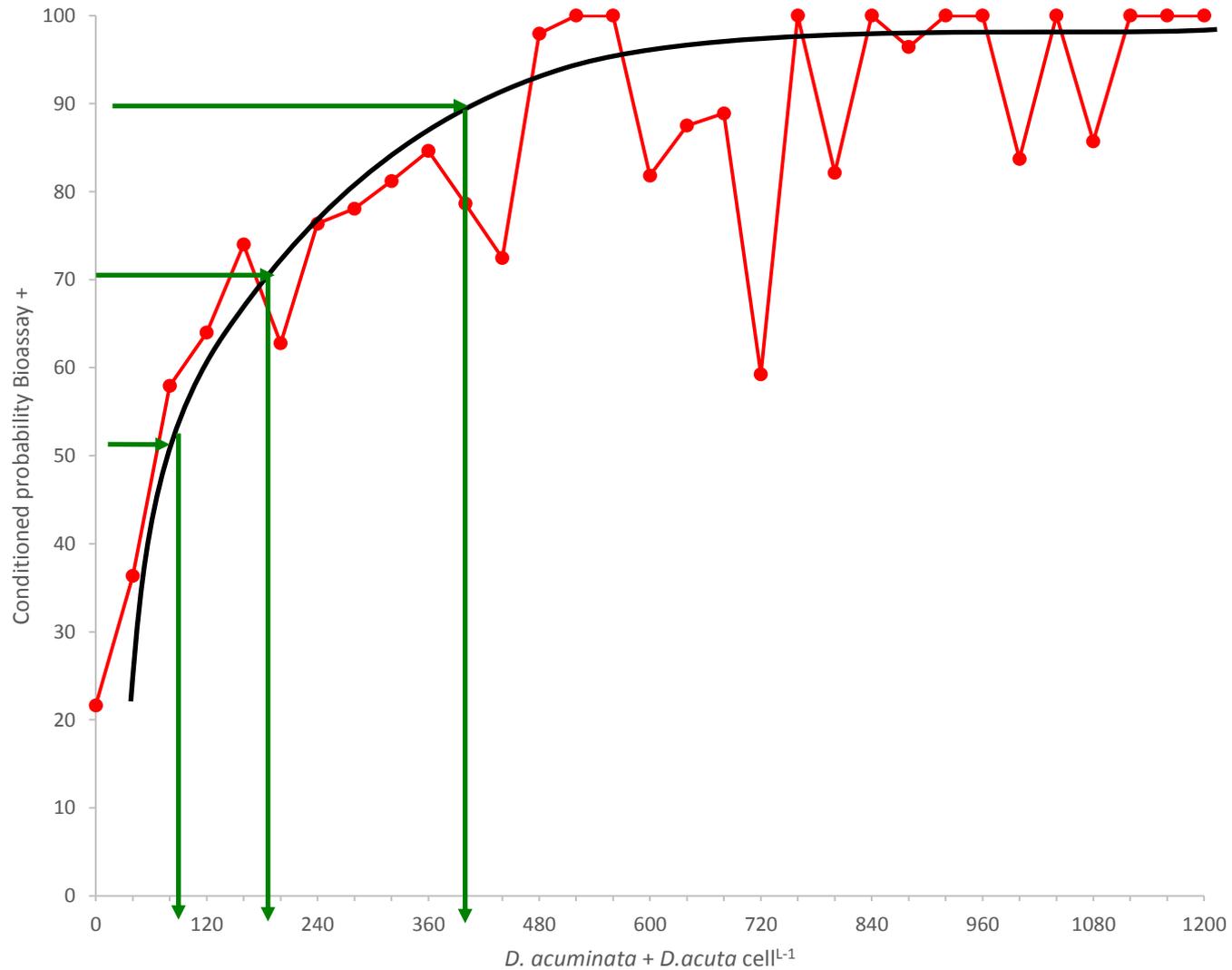
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Probability of Bioassay + given
Dinophysis acuminata + *acuta* cell concentration
based on cases in real monitoring

Trigger levels?



E-EN 15204:2007

Water quality - Guidance standard on the enumeration of phytoplankton using inverted microscopy (Utermöhl technique)

Traceability: certified equipment



micrometer



precision scale



Caliper

Qualification of workers: continuous training and evaluation



Quality assurance

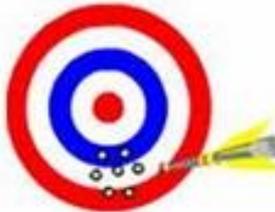
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Accuracy (mean) versus precision (standard deviation)



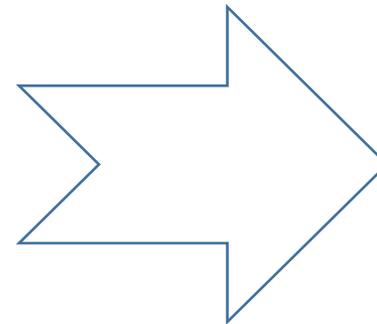
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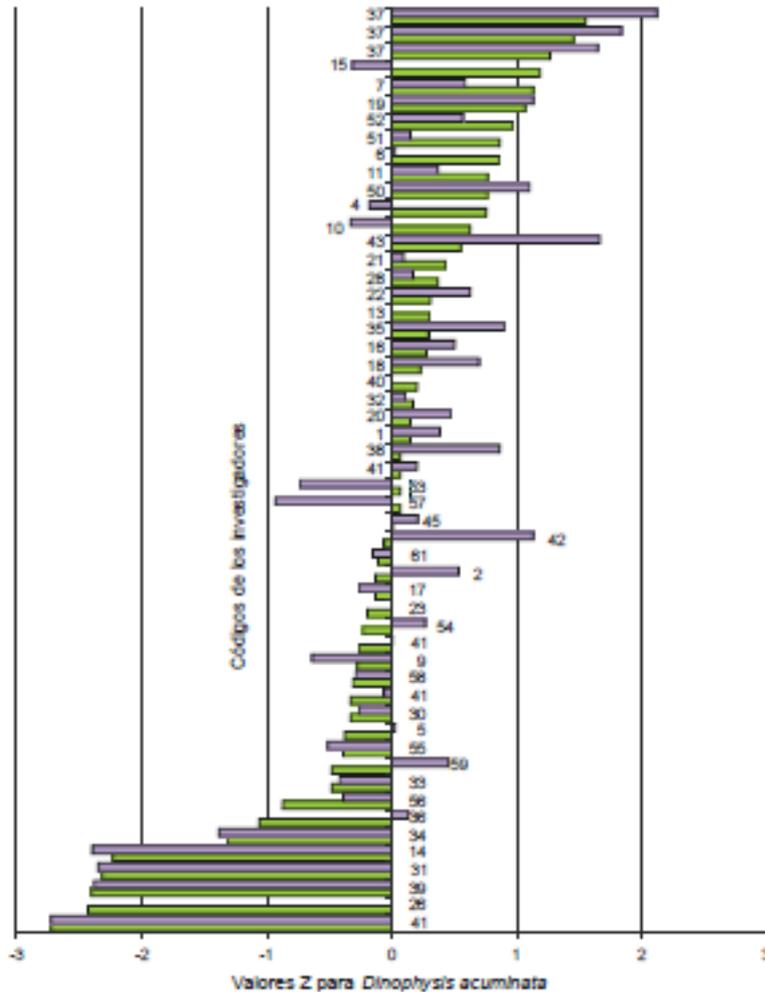
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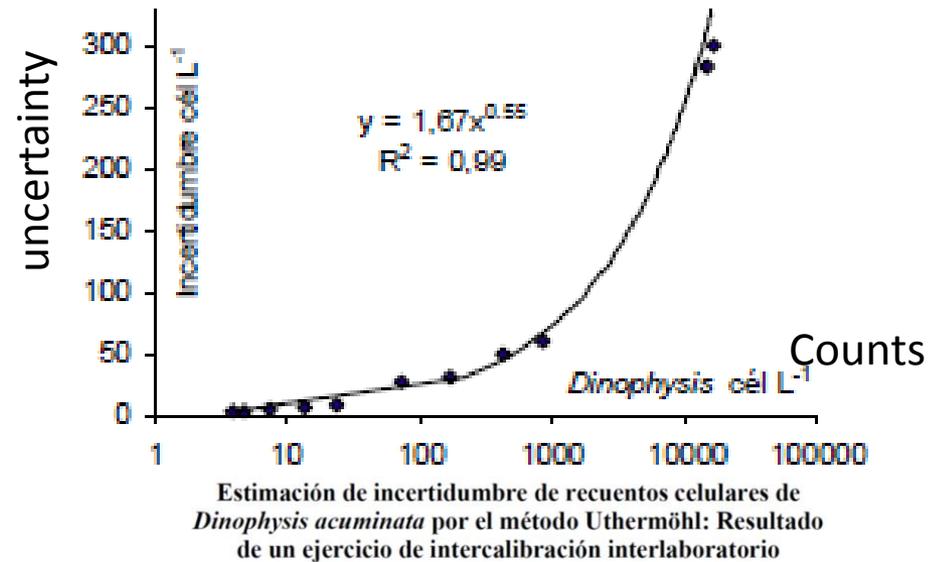
INTERLABORATORY
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EXERCICES.

Example: Pazos et al

Z scores for *Dinophysis acuminata* counts of the 62 researchers from 13 countries



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<i>D. acuminata</i>	14612	2867	20	102	284	2
<i>D. acuta</i>	5	35	742	102	3	73
<i>D. caudata</i>	173	314	182	102	31	18
<i>D. diegensis</i>	24	88	369	102	9	37
<i>D. fortii</i>	7	53	711	102	5	70
<i>D. parvula</i>	4	28	707	102	3	70
<i>D. rotundata</i>	832	614	74	102	61	7
<i>D. sacculus</i>	13	69	513	102	7	51
<i>D. skagii</i>	429	507	118	102	50	12
<i>Dinophysis</i> spp	72	286	396	102	28	39
Total	16170	3042	19	102	301	2



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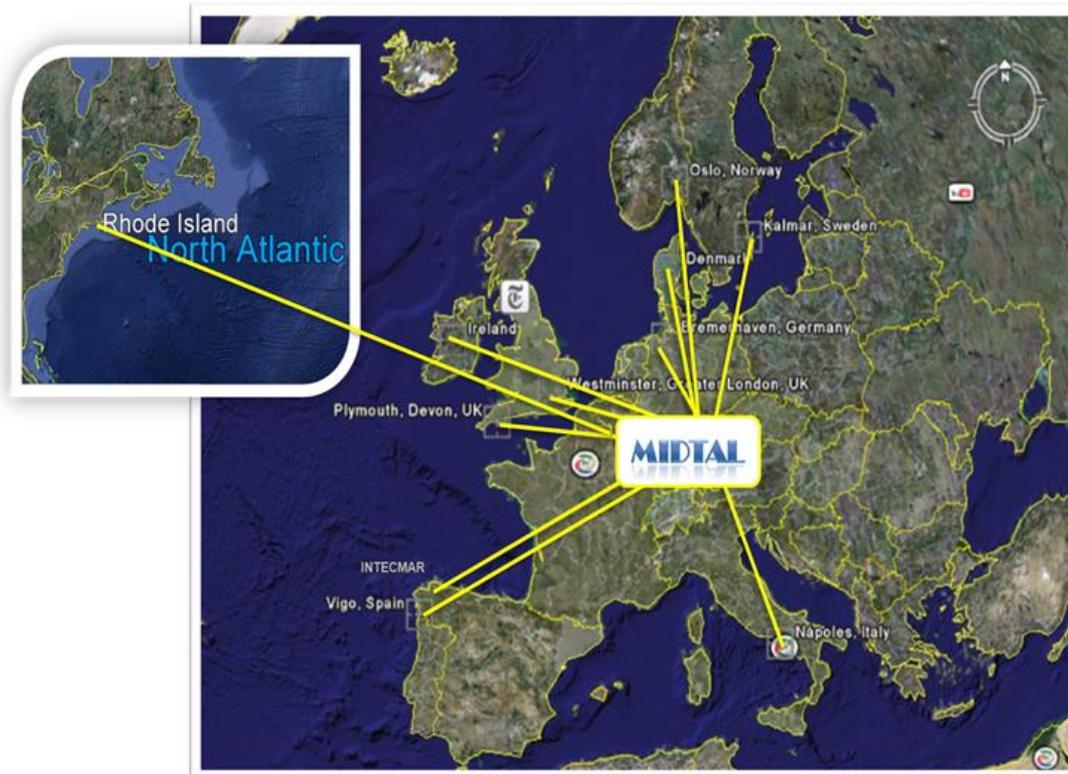
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NEWS AND UPDATES

NEW Vigo meeting reports are uploaded (2010-03-31)

NEW 15 months report is uploaded in Internal page (2010-03-31)

NEW Culture list is updated (2010-03-31)

NEW Probes and primers list is updated (2010-03-08)

NEW **Periodical meeting was held in Vigo, Spain during 1-3, March (2010-03-08)**

NEW

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Midtal Objectives



- To **test and optimise existing rRNA probes** for toxic species and antibodies for toxins for their application to a microarray
- To **design** and test the specificity of any **new probe** needed
- To construct a **universal microarray** from the probes tested and optimized by all of the partners for the detection of harmful algae and their toxins
- To provide national monitoring agencies with a **rapid molecular tool** to monitor toxic algae to validate or replace traditional methods for monitoring for toxic algae
- To **integrate** European efforts to monitor coastal waters for toxic algal species

Dittami, Pazos, Laspra, & Medlin **Environ Sci Pollut Res**, 2012

Microarray testing for the presence of toxic algae monitoring programme in Galicia (NW Spain)

PSP

SPECIES

Alexandrium andersonii Balech, 1990

Alexandrium catenella (Whedon & Kofoid) Balech, 1985

Alexandrium minutum Halim, 1960

Alexandrium ostenfeldii (Paulsen) Balech & Tangen, 1985

Alexandrium tamarense complex (Lebour) Balech, emended U. John

Gymnodinium catenatum H.W.Graham, 1943

OPTICAL MICROSCOPE: XUNTA DE GALICIA

ELECTRONIC MICROSCOPE: XUNTA DE GALICIA

MOLECULAR TOOLS: XUNTA DE GALICIA

OPTICAL MICROSCOPE: JUNTA DE ANDALUCÍA

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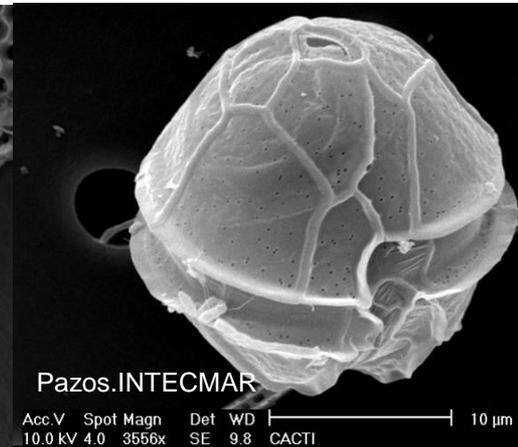
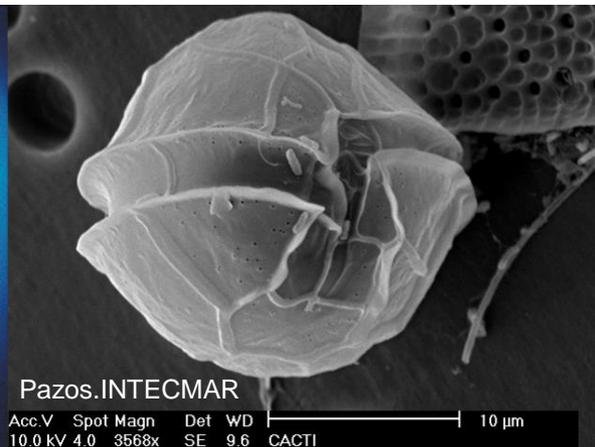
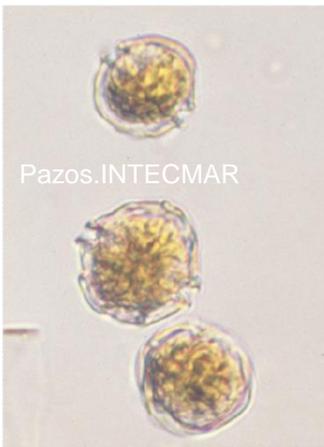
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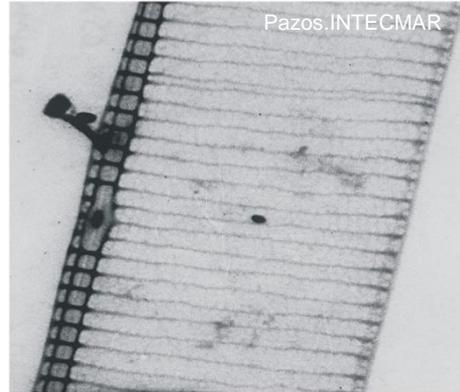
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Alexandrium minutum Halim, 1960





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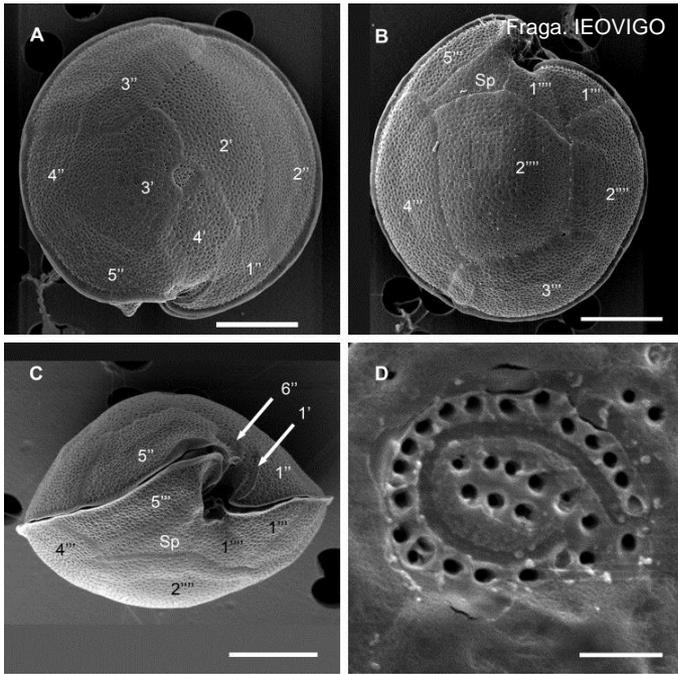


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Pseudo-nitzschia sp.
Peragallo in Peragallo & Peragallo, 1900

Pseudo-nitzschia australis
Frenguelli, 1939

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<i>Pseudo-nitzschia multiseriata</i> (Hasle) Hasle, 1995			TEM	microarray									
<i>Pseudo-nitzschia multistriata</i> (Takano) Takano, 1995	yes		microarray	yes	SEM			TEM	qPCR	TEM	yes		
<i>Pseudo-nitzschia plurisecta</i> Orive & Pérez-Aicua, 2013											TEM	yes	
<i>Pseudo-nitzschia pseudodelicatissima</i> (Hasle) Hasle, 1993			microarray								TEM	yes	



Ciguatera

Gambierdiscus australes M.Chinian & M.A.Faust, 1999

Gambierdiscus excentricus S.Fraga, 2011

Gambierdiscus silvae Fraga S. & F. Rodríguez, 2014

ELECTRONIC MICROSCOPE: CANARY ISLANI

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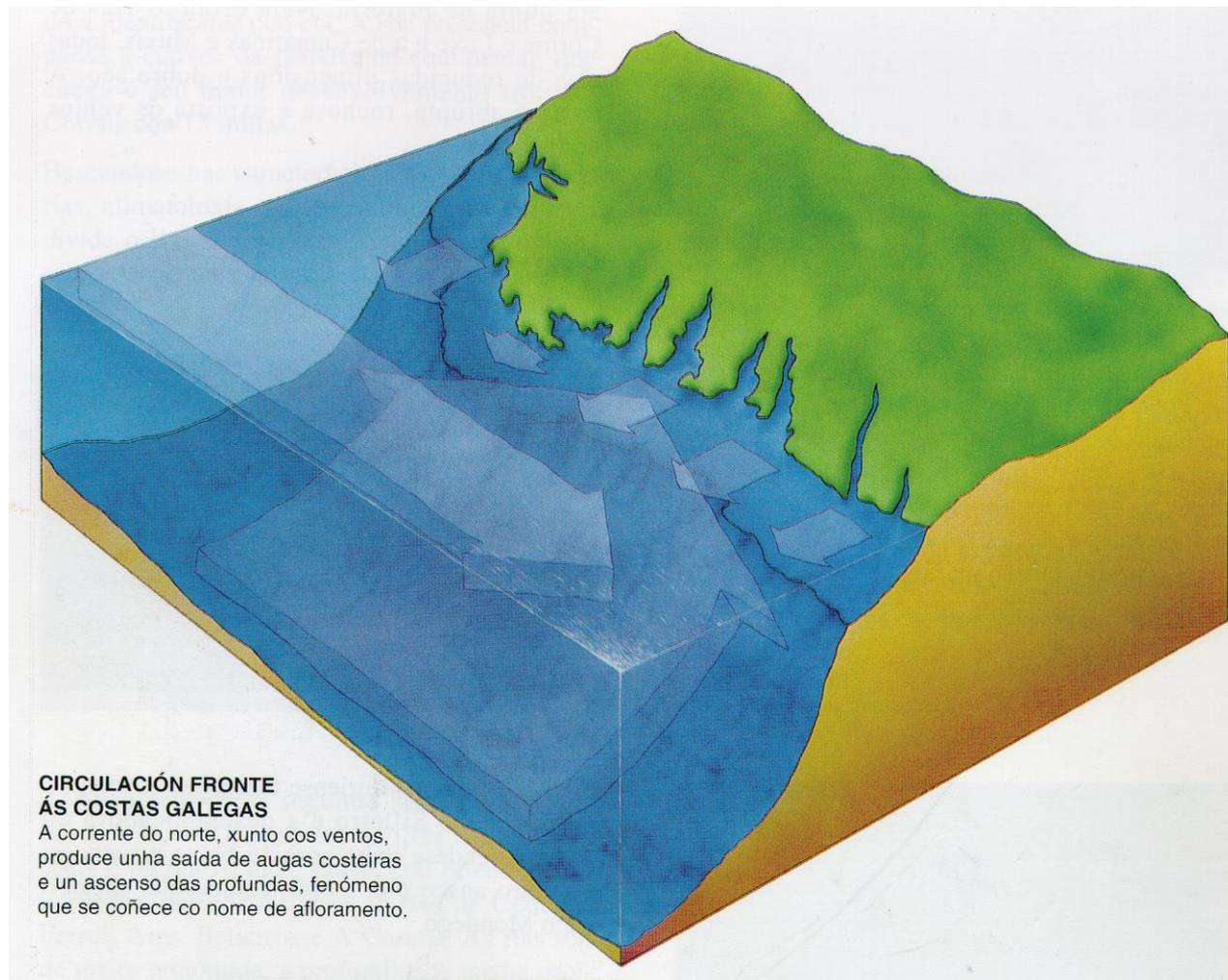


Marine cyanotoxins Galicia

Nodularia spumigena Mertens ex Bornet & Flahault, 1886

Phormidium formosum (Bory de Saint-Vincent ex Gomont) Anagnostidis & Komárek, 1988

UPWELLING SYSTEM

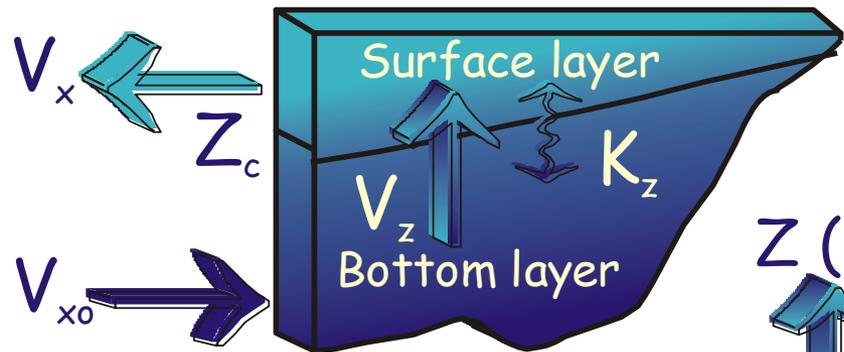


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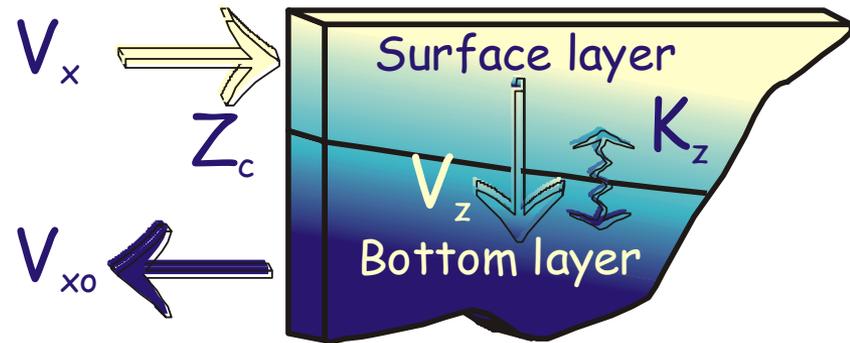
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Upwelling



Downwelling

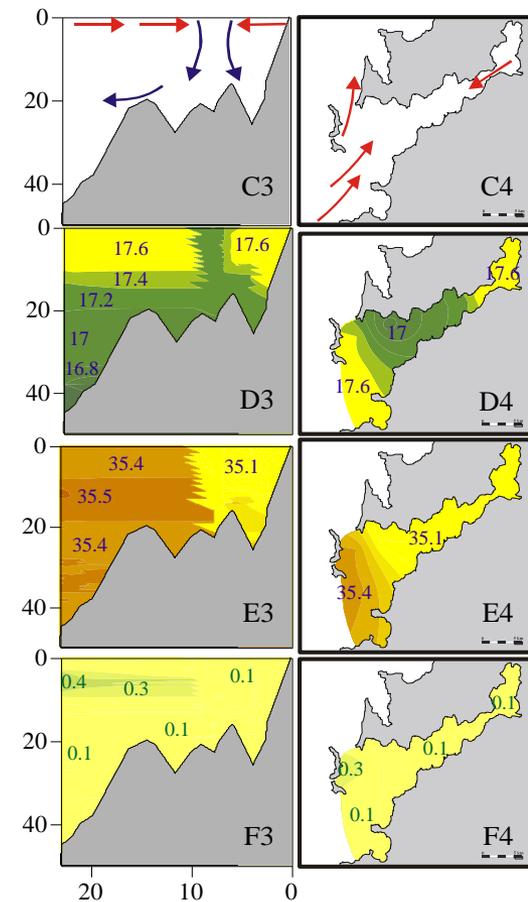
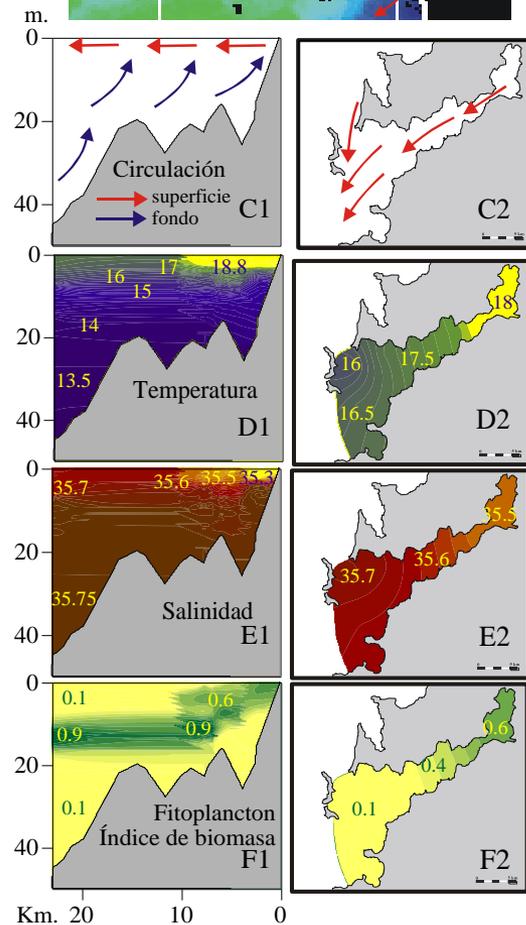
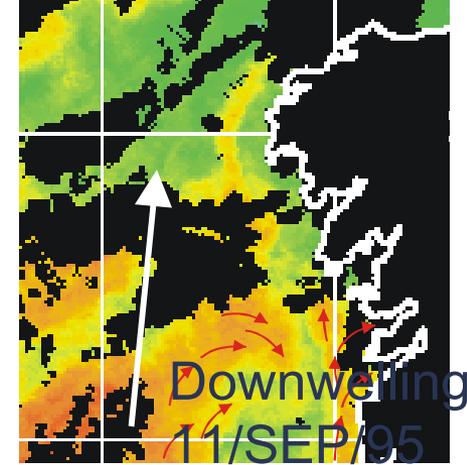
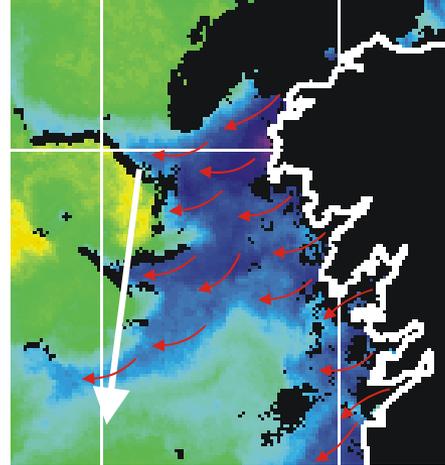


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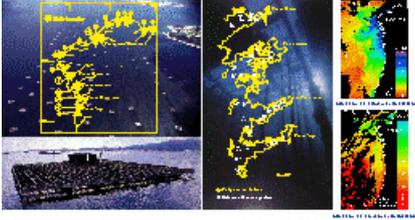
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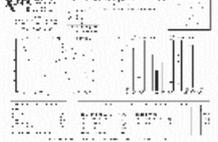


Condições oceanográficas e microalgas tóxicas e/ou nocivas en Galicia



As variables oceanográficas: temperatura, salinidade, oxíxeno, pH, fluorescencia e transmitancia, mideza e a toda a profundidade da auga empregaándose as CTD. A salinidade e a temperatura indican movementos e estabilidade das augas. O pH e o oxíxeno indican fotosíntese e polo tanto abundancia de fitoplacton. A fluorescencia e a transmitancia indican blooms de fitoplacton e abundancia de todo tipo de partículas e a súa estabilidade.

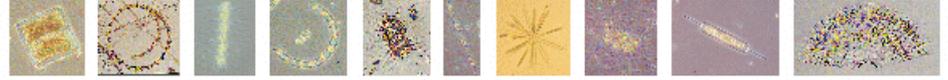
As análises de sales nutrientes e de carbono orgánico disolto indican alimento disponible para o fitoplankton e procesos de renovación e principais pigmentos foto sintéticos (clorofila a, b e c) así como nun espectrofotómetro. Indican abundancia e diversidade de fitoplankton.



O fitoplankton identifícase e análisase en microscopios ópticos (verdes) e tamén as especies tóxicas ou potencialmente dañinas con os que non o son.

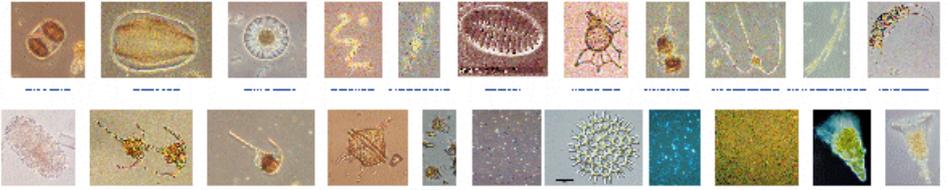
Floracións de microalgas

O fitoplankton das Rías Galegas inclúe un grupo variado de microorganismos que, inflexiblemente, aparecen en todas as partes das rías que nos rodean. O grupo máis común son as diatomeas (*Skeletonema*) e os dinofitocitos (*Dinoflagellata*). Non microplankton tamén aparecen outros fitozoaes moi comúns como os cilioclorofitos, as radiolarias, as silicoflageladas, o bacterioplankton e o microzooplankton, representado polos diatomeas, infusórios, larvas e ovos de outros organismos.



Inócuas

A maior parte do fitoplankton está formado por especies inofensivas. O primeiro e o primeiro nivel da rede trófica do ecosistema das Rías sendo o principal alimento dos moluscos bivalvos (meixillón, améixas, ultras...). A elevada produtividade marxeira das Rías, debido a floracións de fitoplankton que medran en base de sales nutrientes, apoiadas xunto con alimento polo aumento do oxíxeno.



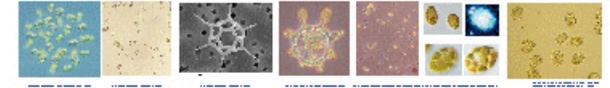
Mareas vermelhas

En determinadas condicións oceanográficas, o fitoplankton pode proliferar masivamente ata producir coloracións visibles a simple vista na auga, debido a pigmentos xenosintéticos que confieren. Na maioría dos casos, a "purga de mar", debido a organismos que non producen ningunha toxina, sen embargo poden ser nocivas pola súa acción e a súa incidencia no turismo.



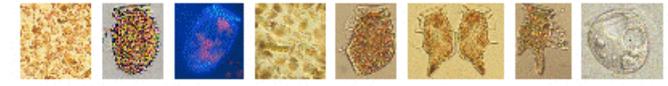
Ictiotóxicas

Os mecanismos de acción das especies que afectan os cultivos de peixes son variados. Algunhas especies producen toxinas hemolíticas (*Pseudo-nitzschia*) ou outras que producen mareas vermelhas (*Prorocentrum*). Algunhas especies producen un dano físico nas vísceras dos peixes facendo os seus órganos máis fráxiles. A elevada taxa de renovación da auga nas rías que non soan a acumulación de toxinas.



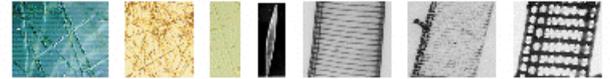
Lipofílicas (DSP)

As especies relacionadas coa produción de toxinas nocivas nos moluscos das Rías Galegas, básicamente, as do xénero *Dinoflagellata*. Non é necesario que actúen en concentracións máis altas para que supoñan un risco para a saúde pública. Algunhas especies son as que causan máis danos, e máis perigosas, do período de activación de mareas en Galicia.



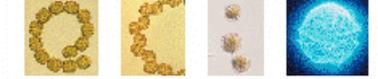
Amnésicas (ASP)

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Paralizantes (PSP)

A acumulación de toxinas paralizantes nos moluscos das Rías Galegas é debido sobre todo a dúas especies: *Cylindrocapsa* e *Prorocentrum*. A parte da súa gravidade nos últimos anos estas especies tamén nos afectan.



Novas toxinas (AZP, YTX, PTX)

Síndromes que afectan aos animais e humanos, así como a saúde pública, están asociadas a especies de fitoplankton que exhiben características similares ás algas maríñas. A Unión Europea e a publicacións de decisións neste senso.



Figura 1. Especies de fitoplankton tóxicas e/ou nocivas en Galicia. (1) *Pseudo-nitzschia australis*, (2) *Pseudo-nitzschia australis*, (3) *Pseudo-nitzschia australis*, (4) *Pseudo-nitzschia australis*, (5) *Pseudo-nitzschia australis*, (6) *Pseudo-nitzschia australis*, (7) *Pseudo-nitzschia australis*, (8) *Pseudo-nitzschia australis*, (9) *Pseudo-nitzschia australis*, (10) *Pseudo-nitzschia australis*, (11) *Pseudo-nitzschia australis*, (12) *Pseudo-nitzschia australis*, (13) *Pseudo-nitzschia australis*, (14) *Pseudo-nitzschia australis*, (15) *Pseudo-nitzschia australis*, (16) *Pseudo-nitzschia australis*, (17) *Pseudo-nitzschia australis*, (18) *Pseudo-nitzschia australis*, (19) *Pseudo-nitzschia australis*, (20) *Pseudo-nitzschia australis*.

MAREAS ROJAS

En determinadas condiciones oceanográficas, el fitoplancton puede proliferar masivamente hasta producir coloración visible a simple vista en el agua, debido a los pigmentos fotosintéticos que contienen. En la mayoría de los casos esta “purga del mar” es debida a organismos que no producen ninguna toxina pero pueden ser nocivas por la alarma social y su incidencia en el turismo.

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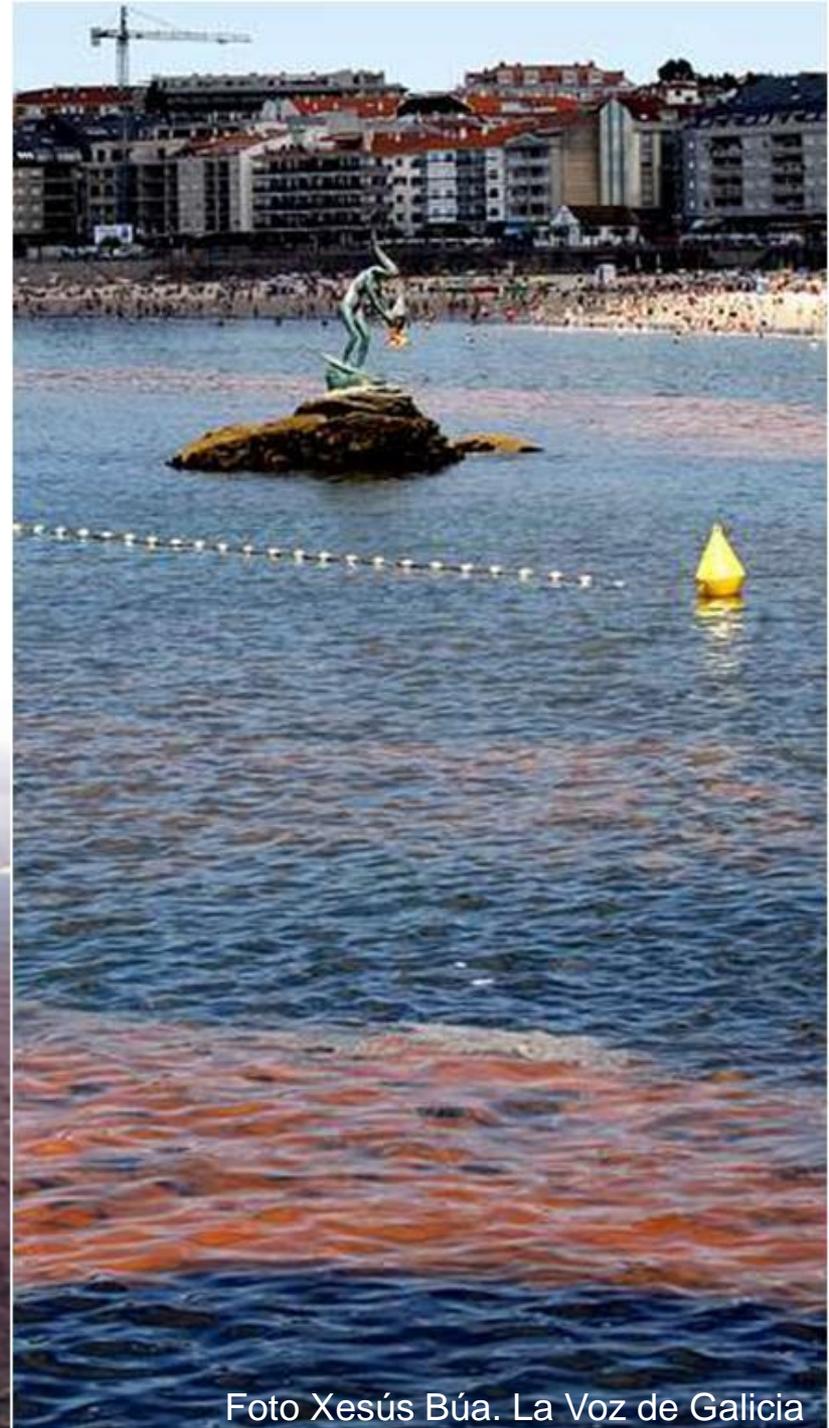


Foto Xesús Búa. La Voz de Galicia

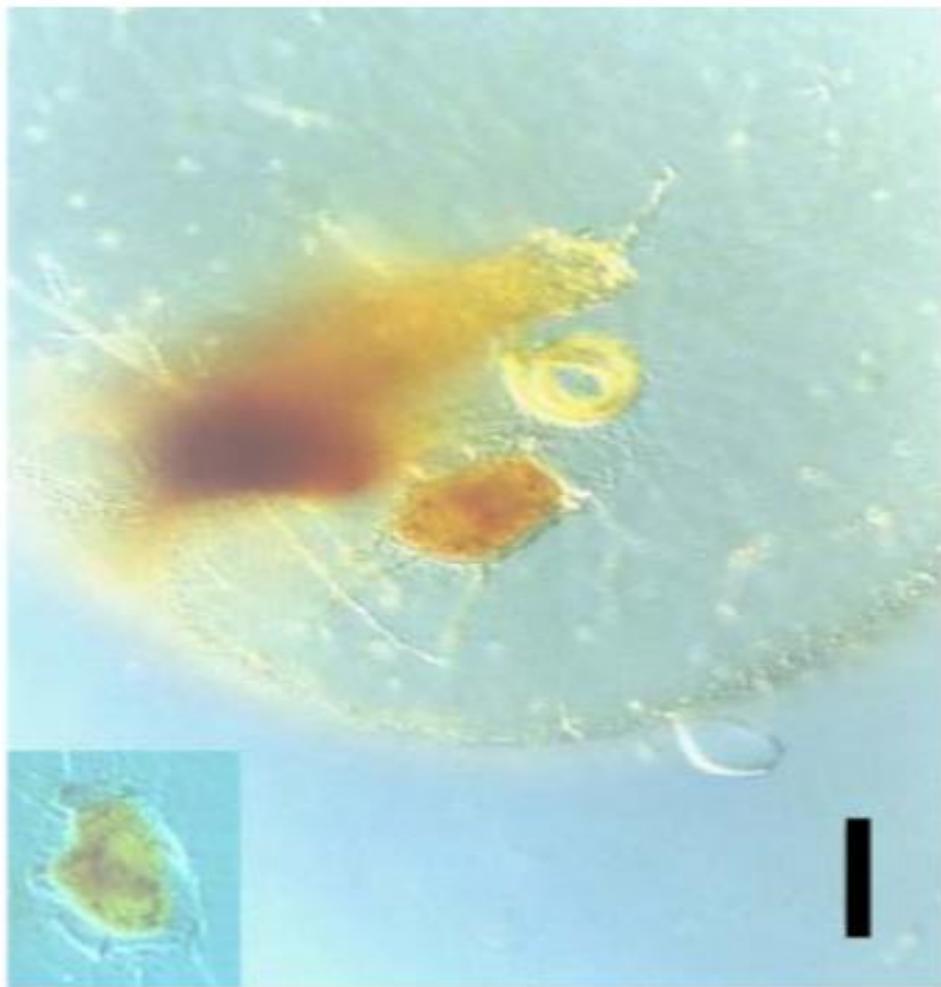
Clase Noctilucaeae



Noctiluca scintillans (Mcartney) Kofoid & Swezy, 1921

Dinoflagelado?

Marea roja



(B)

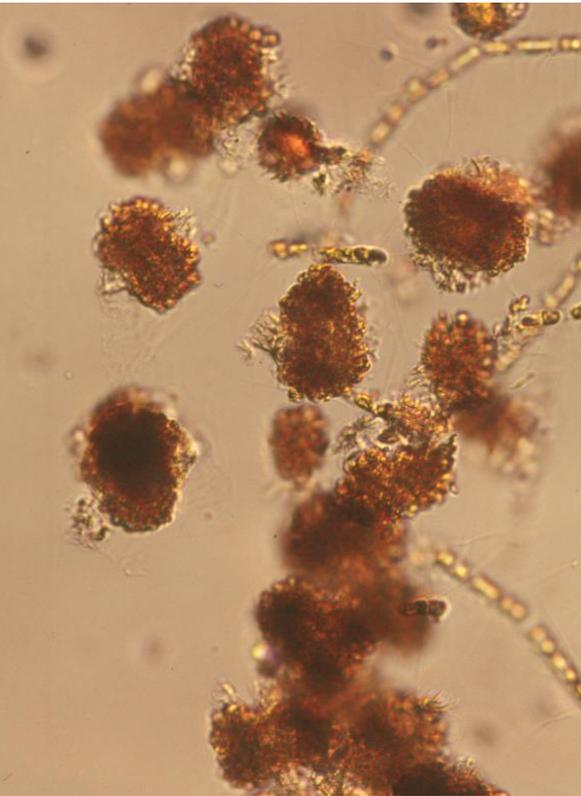


(C)

Noctiluca scintillans may act as a vector of toxigenic microalgae

Laura Escalera^{a,*}, Yolanda Pazos^b, Ángeles Morono^b, Beatriz Reguera^a

Harmful Algae, 2007

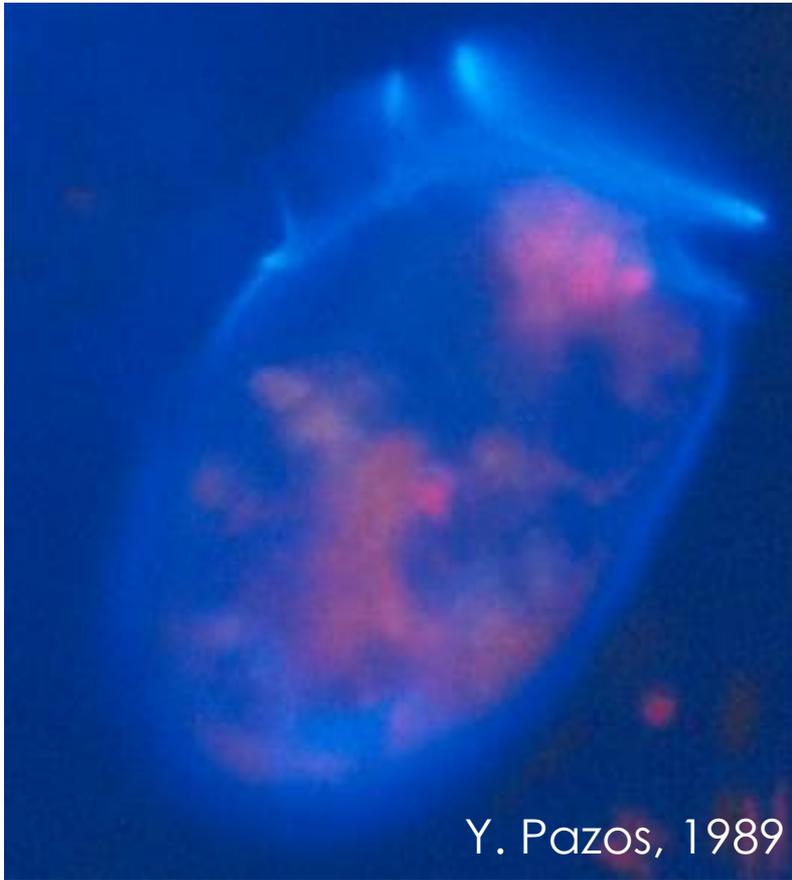


Mesodinium rubrum (Lohmann 1908) Jankowski 1976

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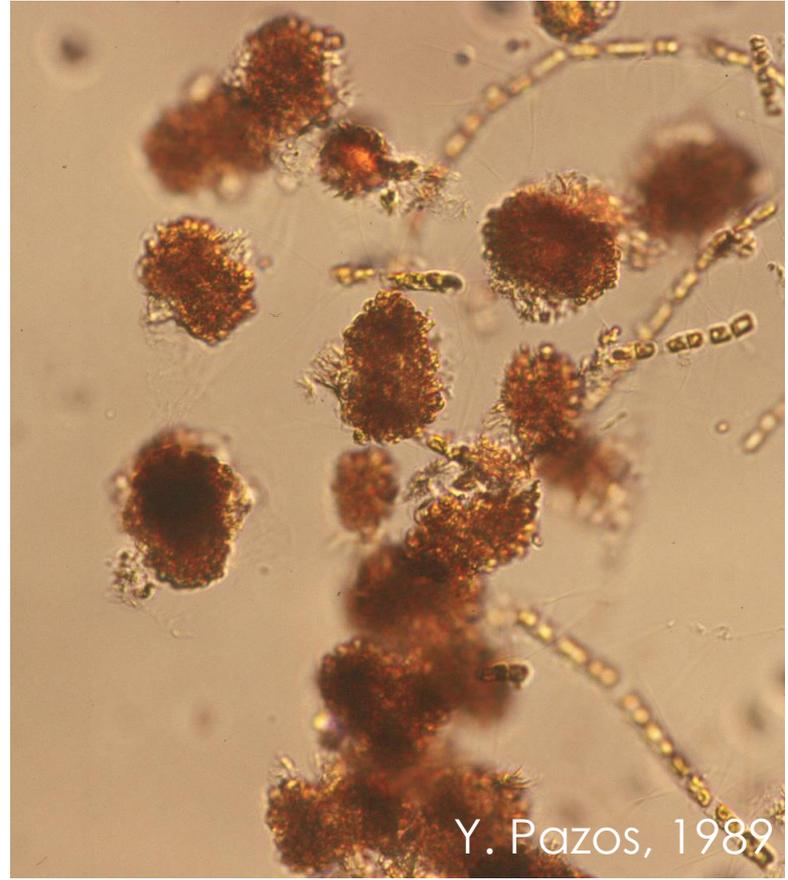


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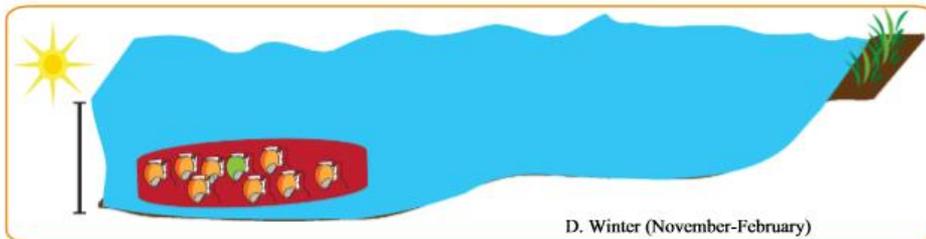
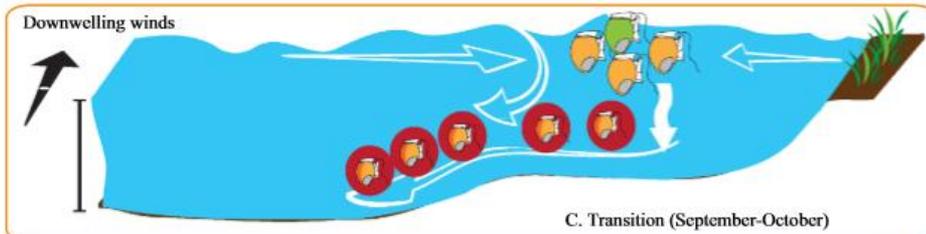
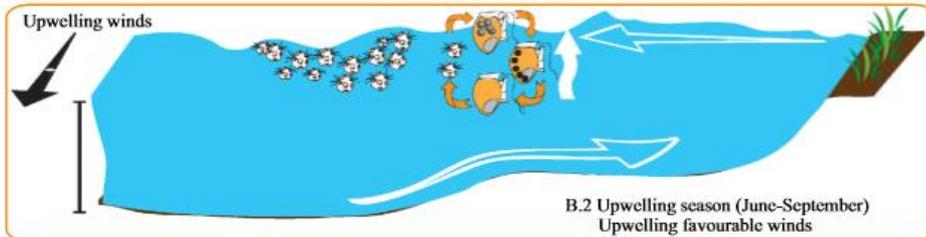
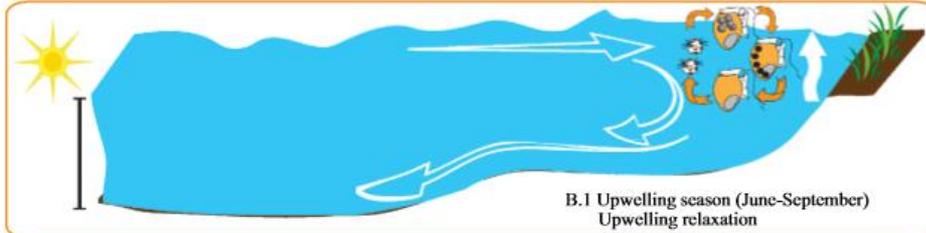
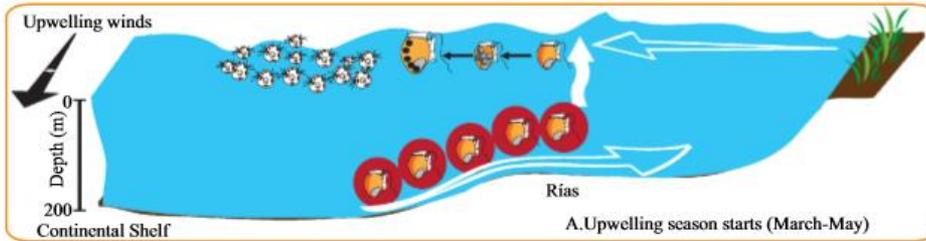
Dinophysis acuminata
Epifluorescence B2



Y. Pazos, 1989

Messodinium rubrum
Lugol





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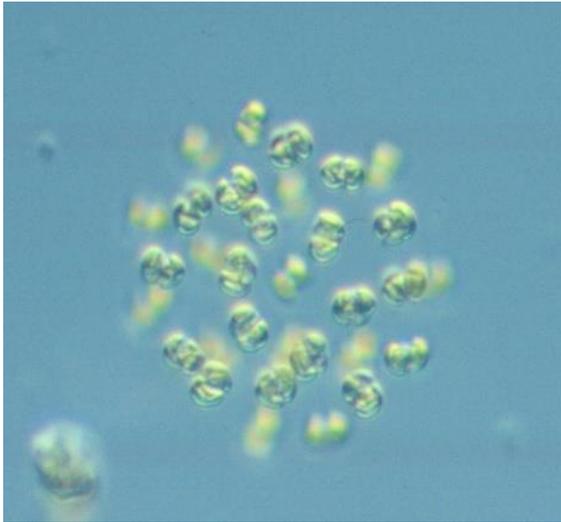


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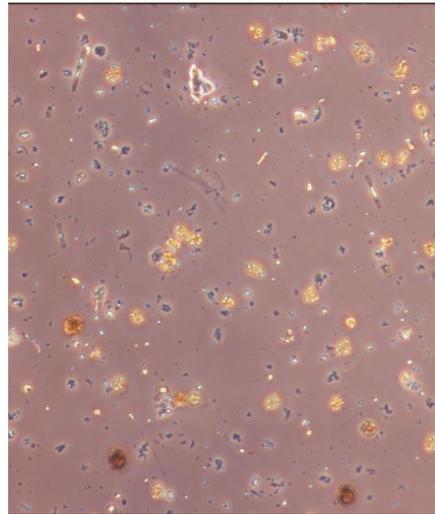


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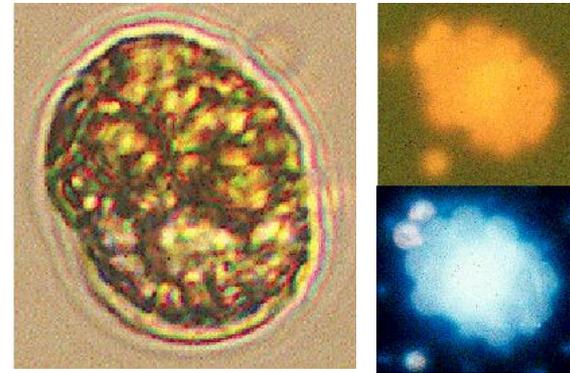
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Phaeocystis pouechetii (Hariot) Lagerheim, 1893

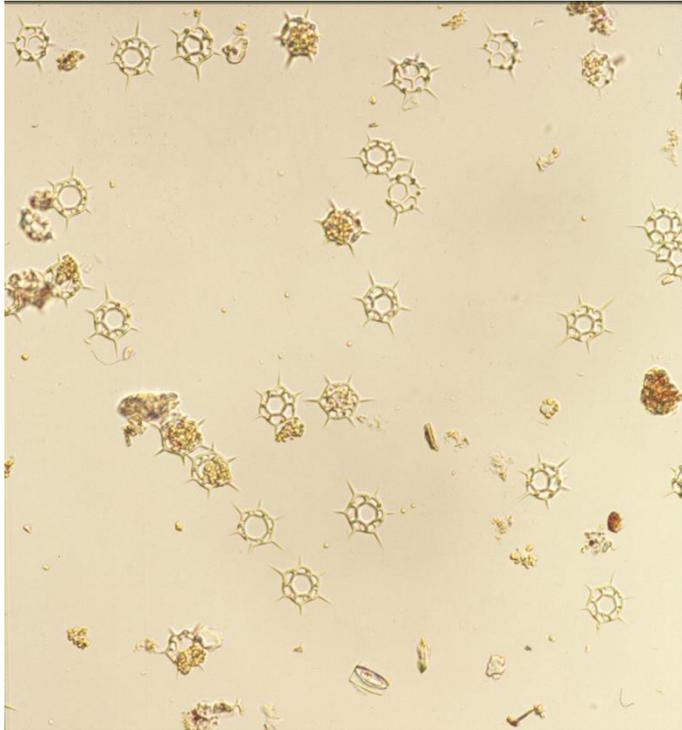


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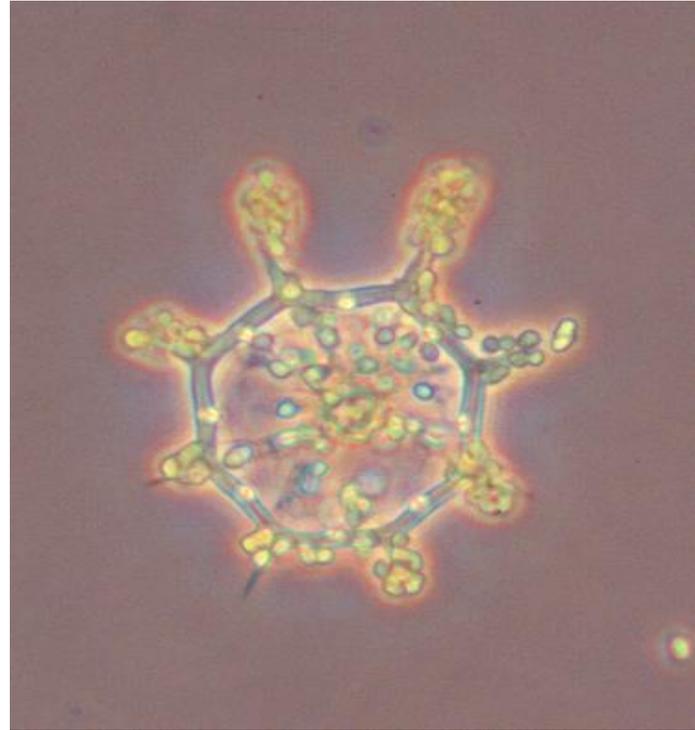


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Dictyocha speculum Ehrenberg, 1839



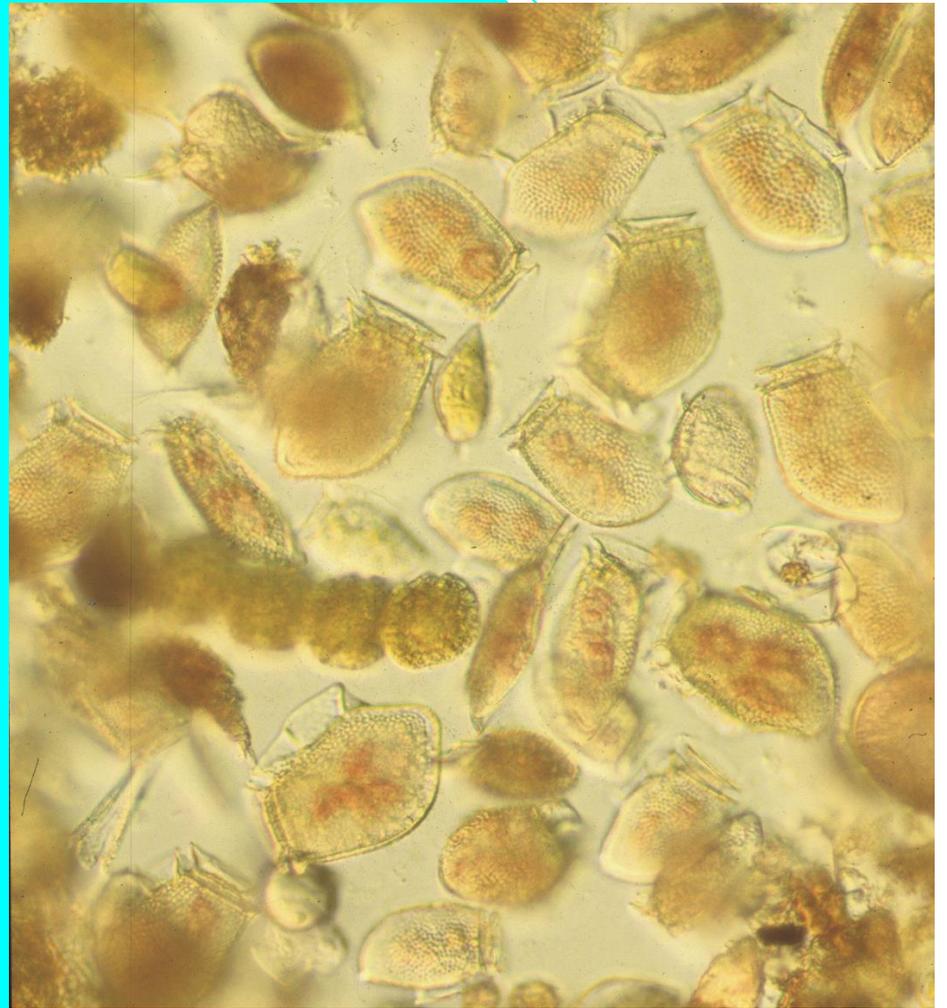
Octatis octonaria (Ehrenberg) Hovasse, 1946

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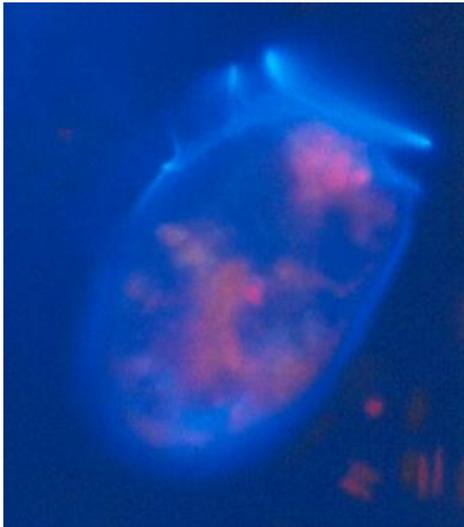




Phalacroma rotundatum (Claparède & Lachmann) Ko foid & Michener, 1911

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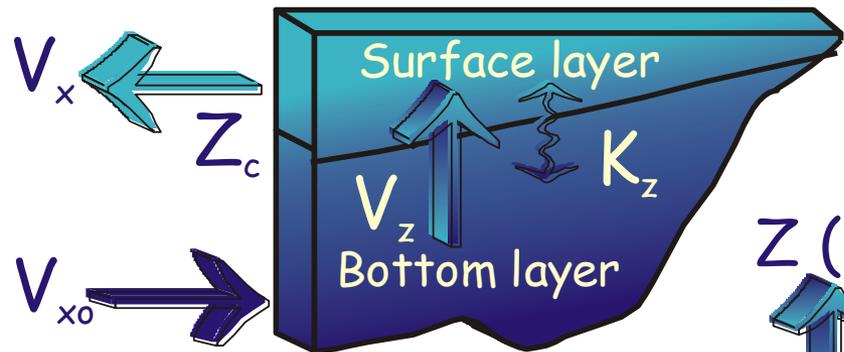


Dinophysis caudata Saville-Kent, 1881

Dinoflagelados **Lipofílicas (DSP)**

UPWELLING SYSTEM

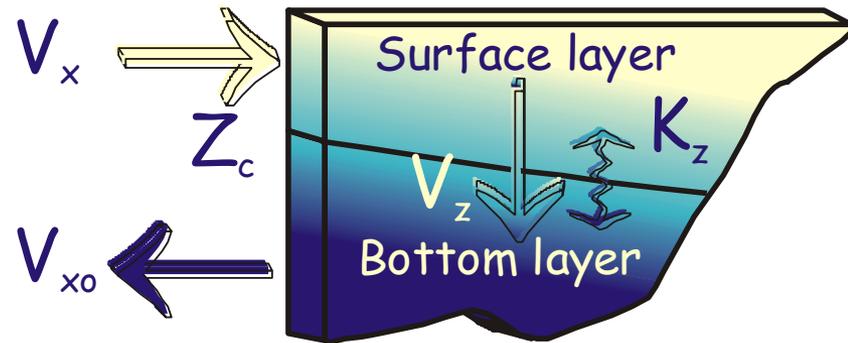
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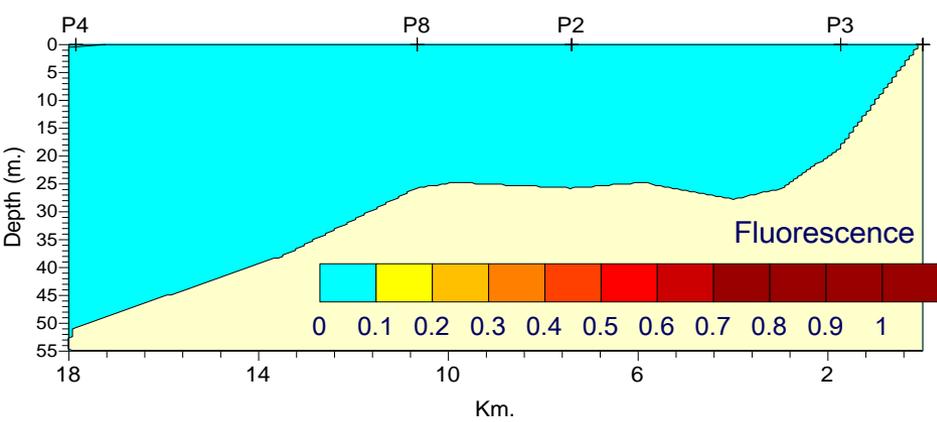
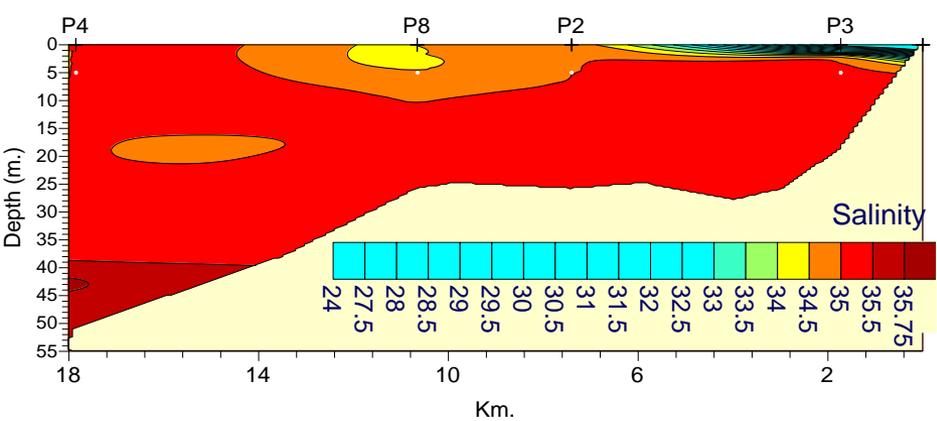
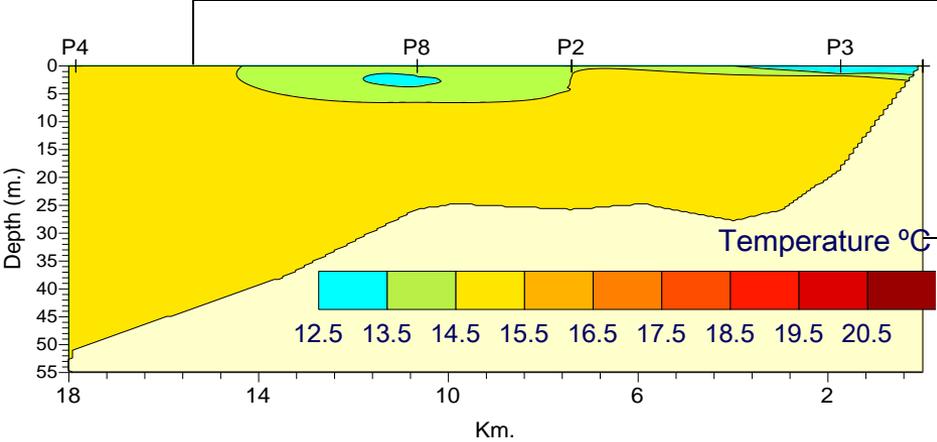


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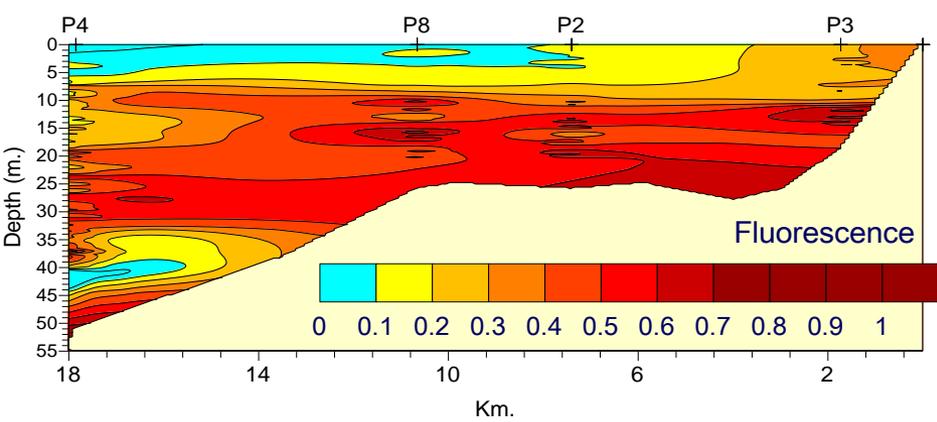
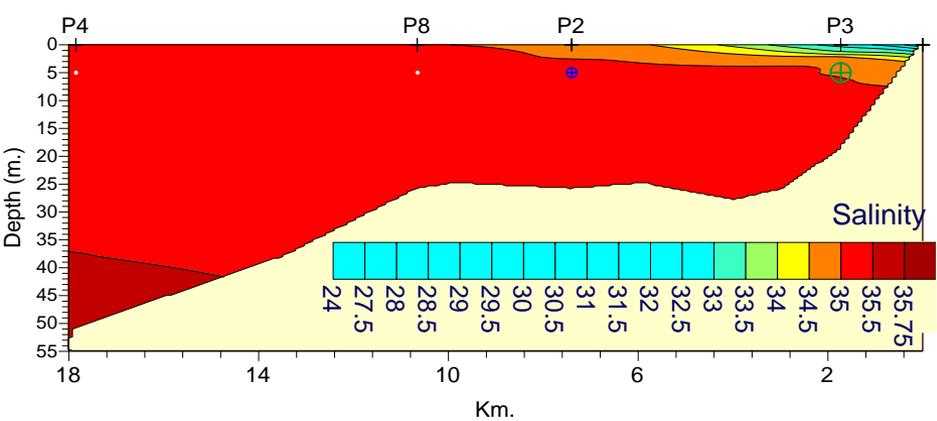
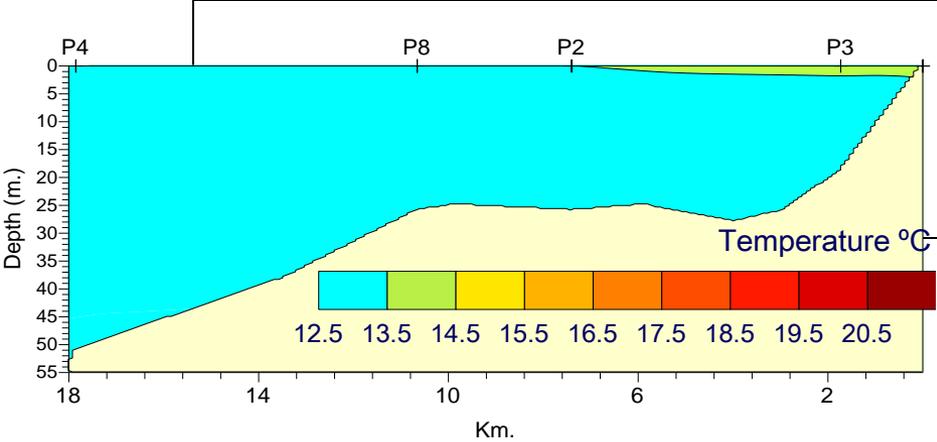




Dinophysis acuminata Cell L⁻¹

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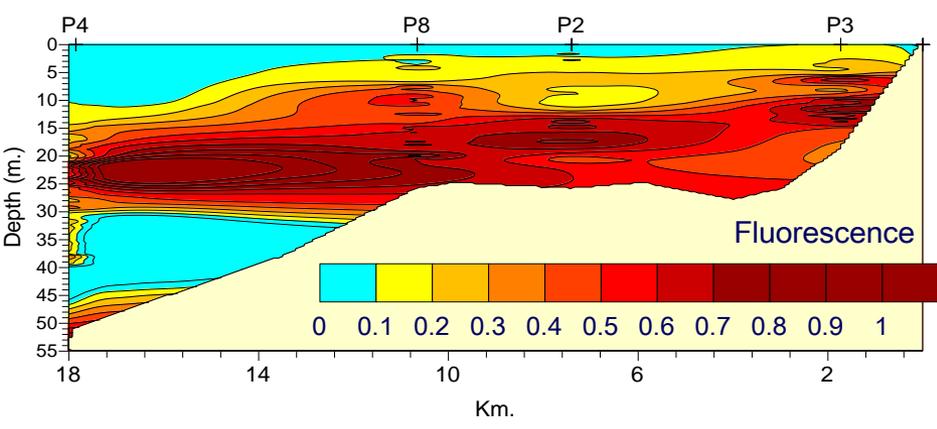
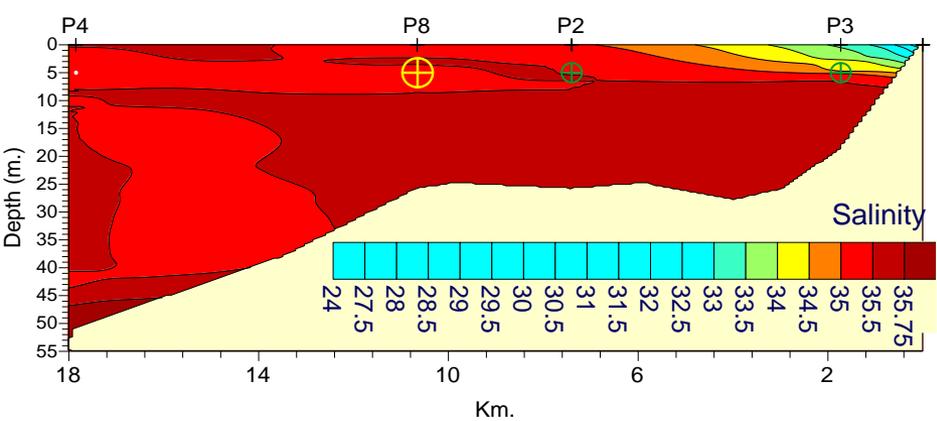
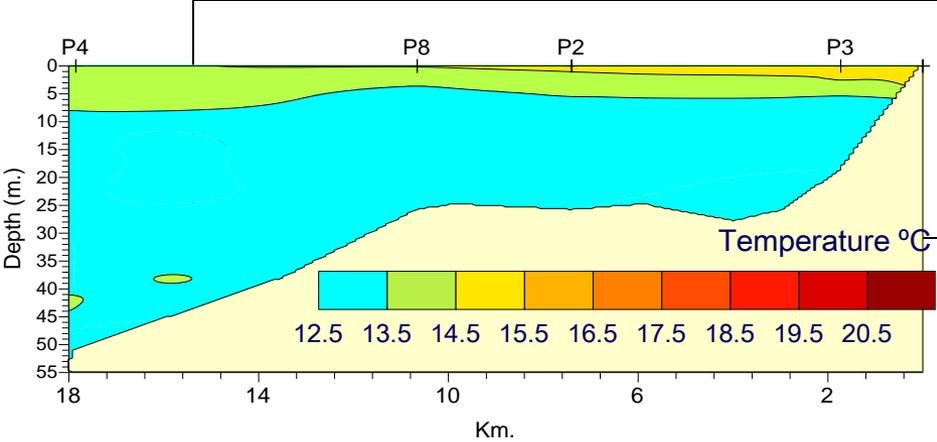
WINTER SITUATION:
 Vertical homogenization of
 temperature and salinity
 Phytoplankton VERY low
Dinophysis acuminata N/D



Dinophysis acuminata Cell L⁻¹

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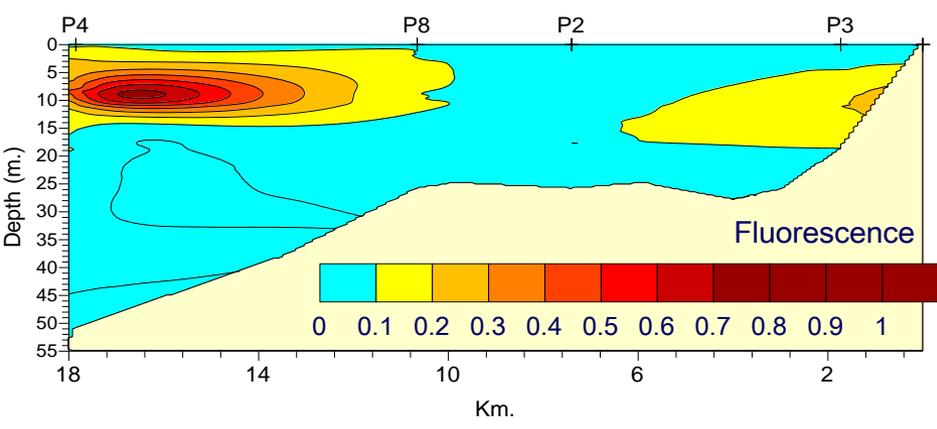
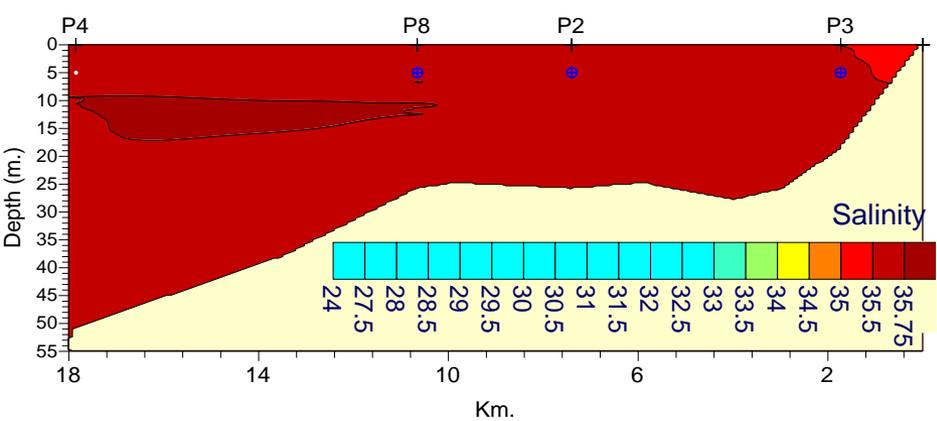
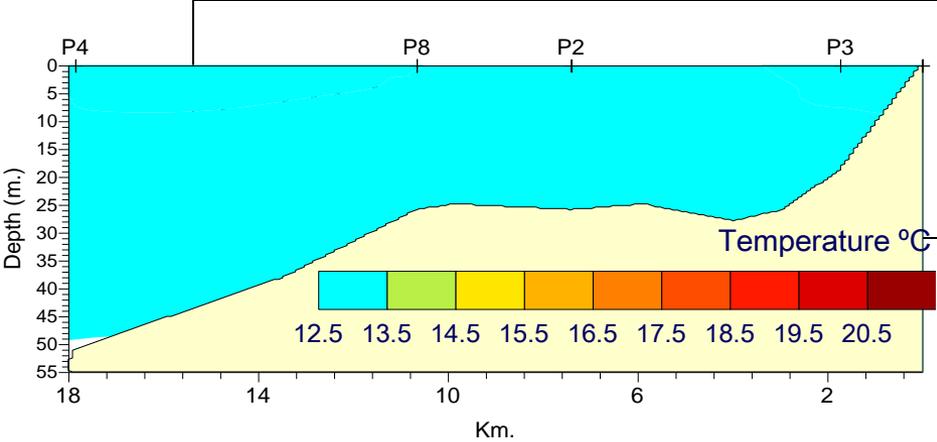
EARLY SPRING: Upwelling
 Homogenization of temperature
 First phytoplankton bloom
 Halocline in the innermost station
Dinophysis acuminata maximum in the
 halocline spreads offshore



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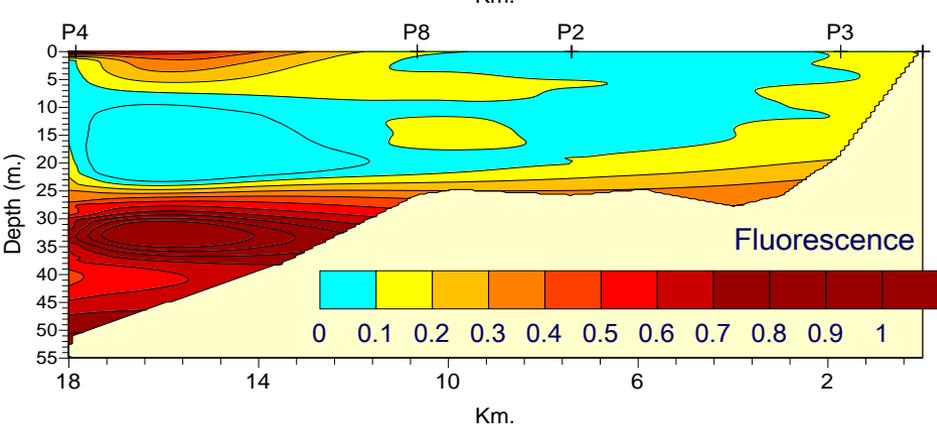
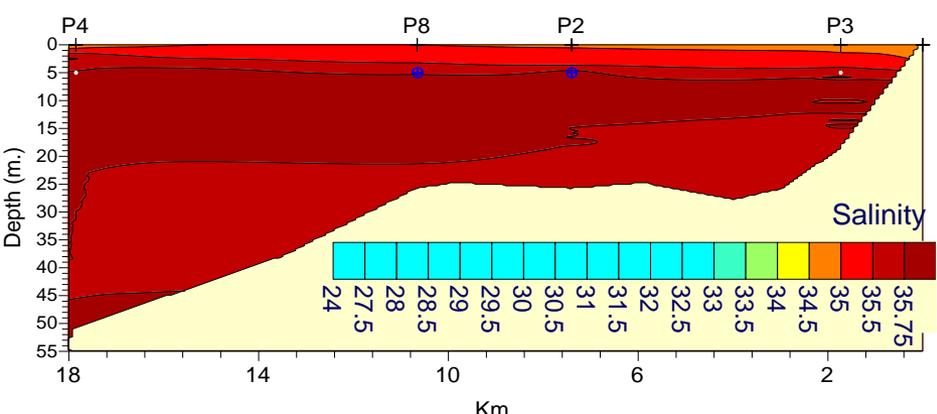
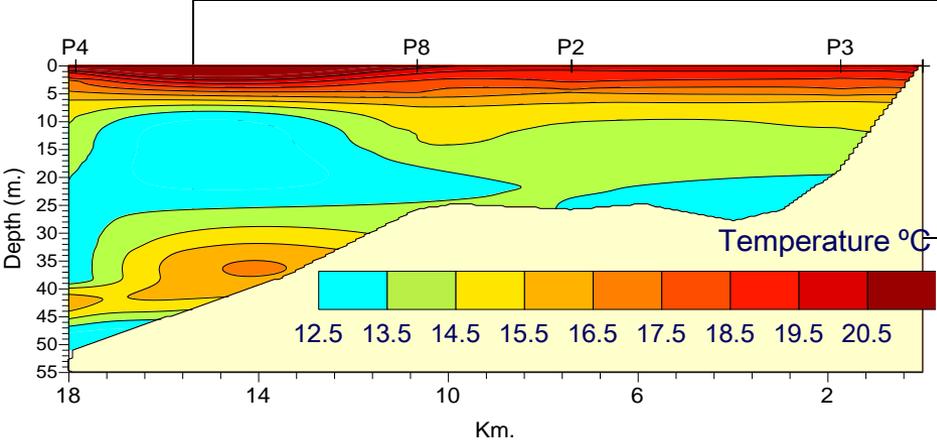
SPRING: Upwelling
 Light thermocline
 Halocline in the inner part
 Phytoplankton subsurface bloom
In situ growth of *Dinophysis acuminata*



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- ⊕ 40 to 200
- ⊕ 200 to 1000
- ⊕ 1000 to 2000
- ⊕ 2000 to 5000
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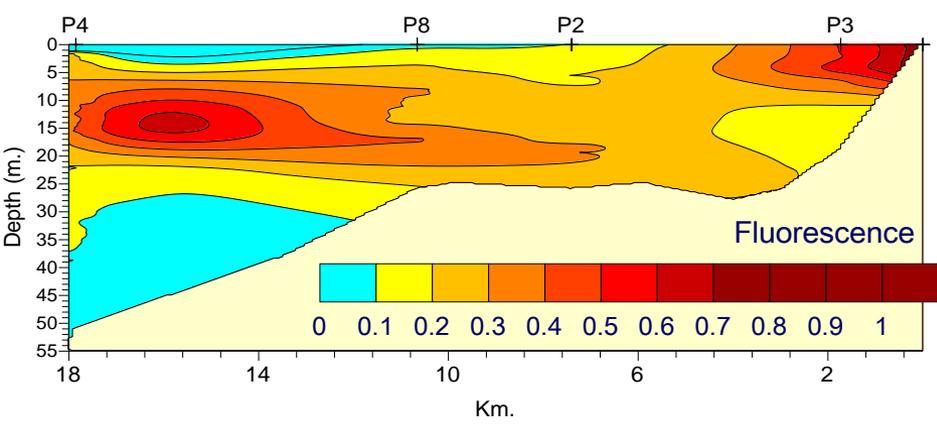
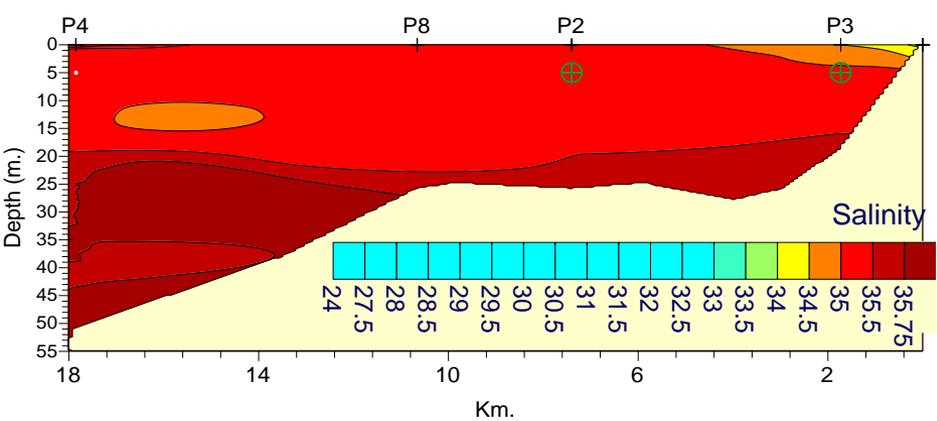
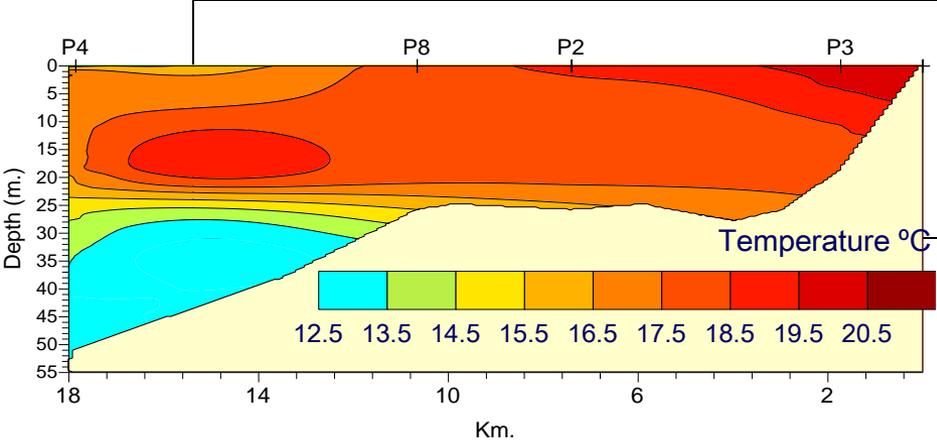
SPRING: Strong Upwelling
Low levels of Dinophysis acuminata
 remain in the upper layers



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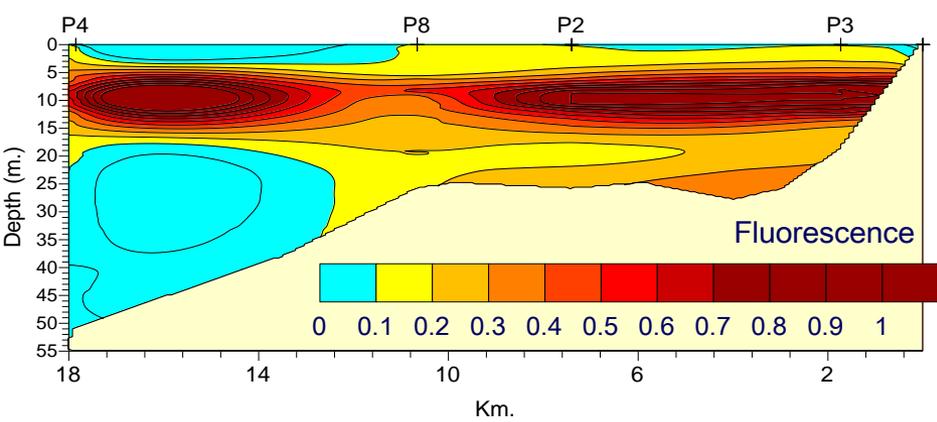
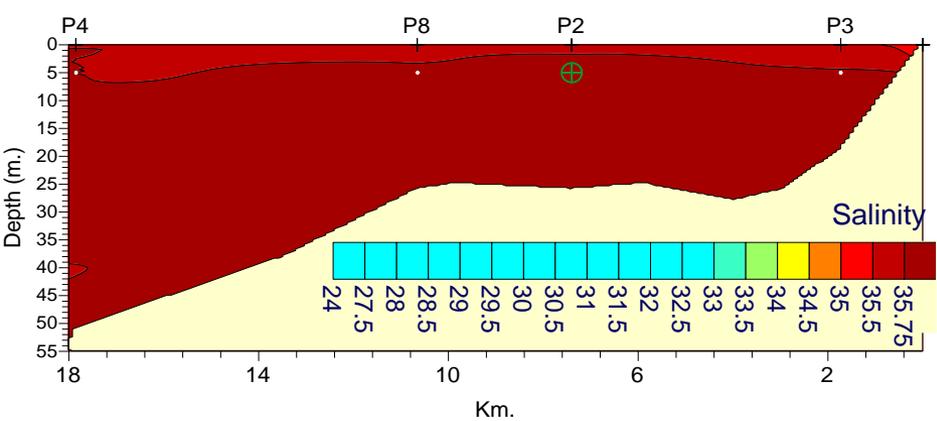
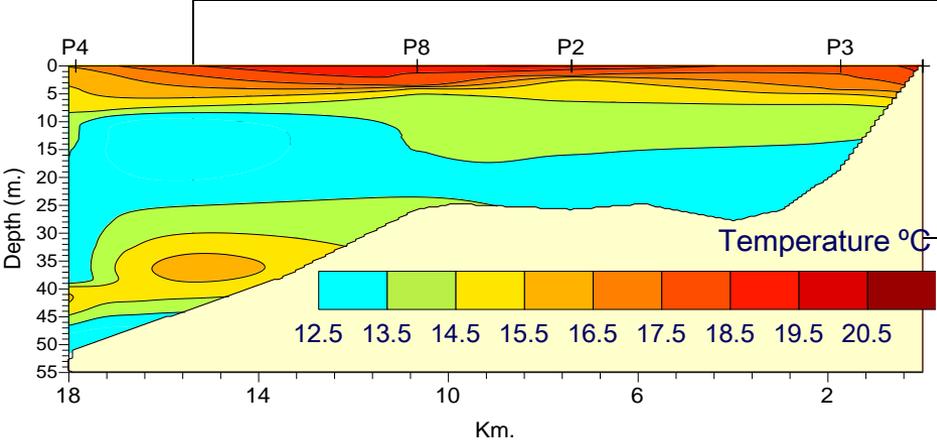
SUMMER: Upwelling relaxation
 Strong thermocline
 Intrusion of surface oceanic water
 Phytoplankton surface patches
Dinophysis acuminata *in situ* growth



Dinophysis acuminata Cell L⁻¹

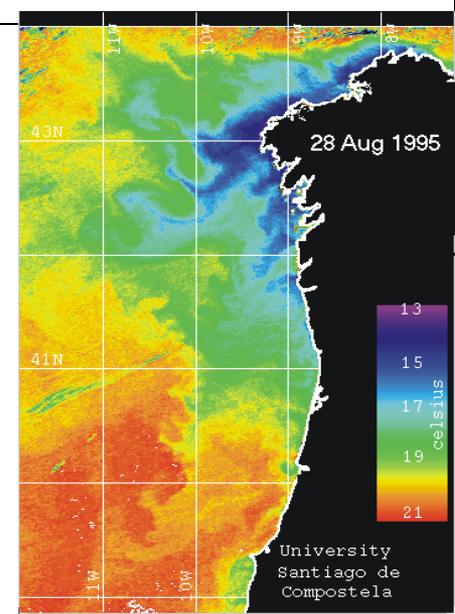
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- 40 to 200
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SUMMER: Stratification
 Deepening of the thermocline
 Phytoplankton patches
Dinophysis acuminata growing

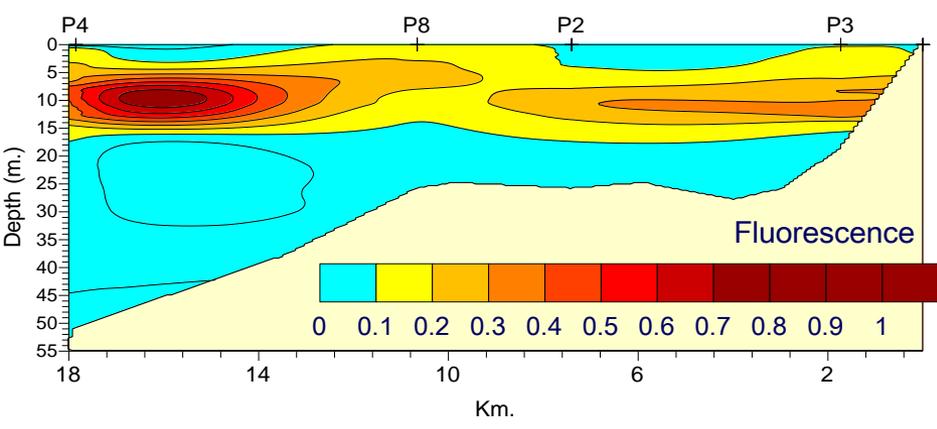
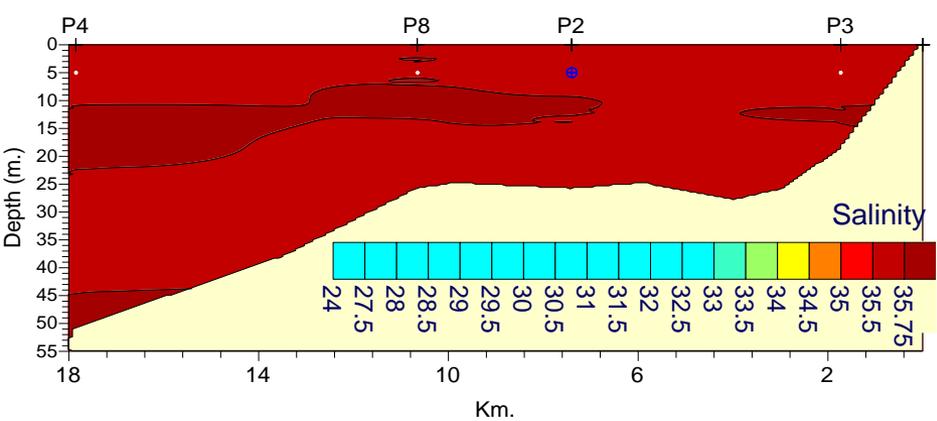
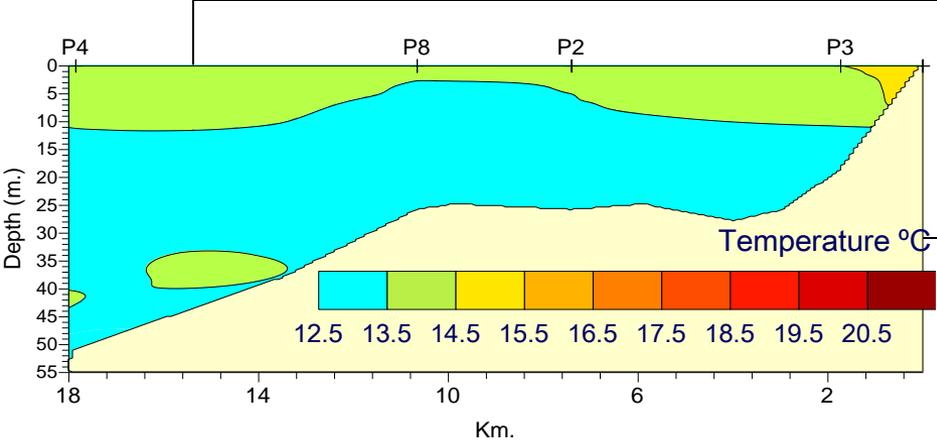


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- 5000 to 13000



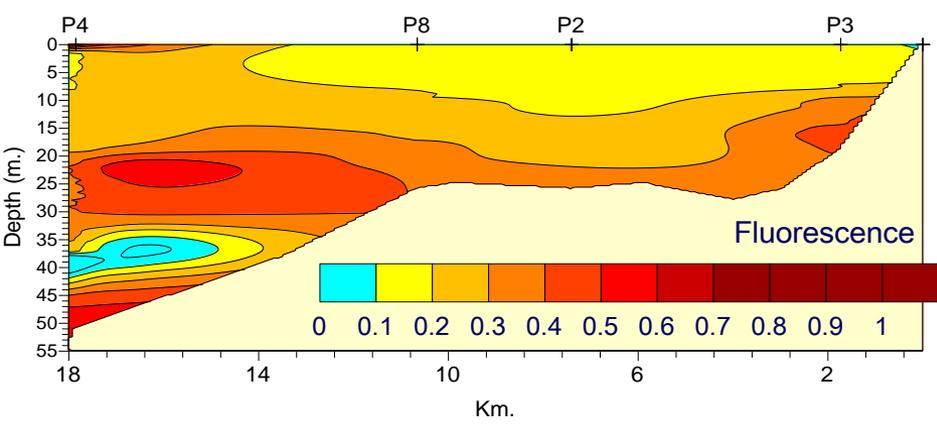
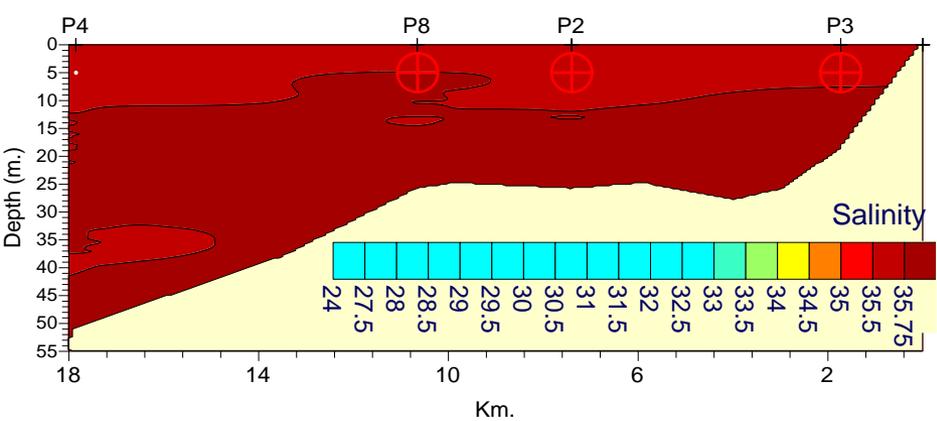
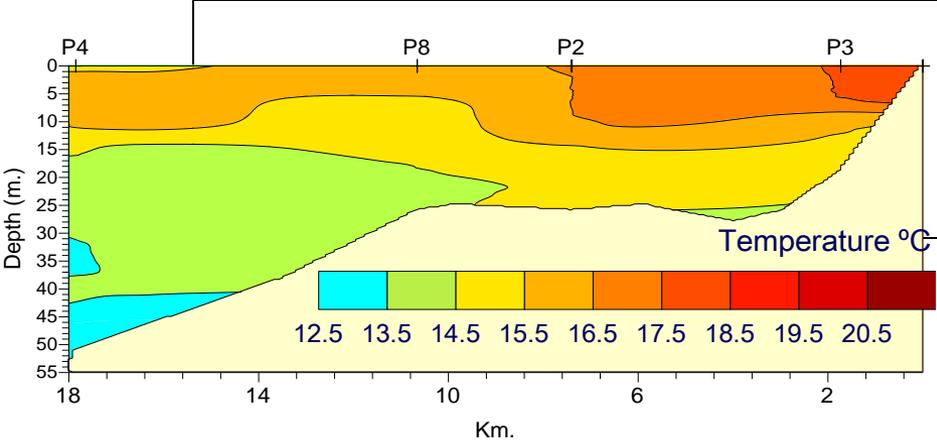
SUMMER: Upwelling
 Strong compression of the thermocline
 Phytoplankton subsurface bloom
Dinophysis acuminata persistence



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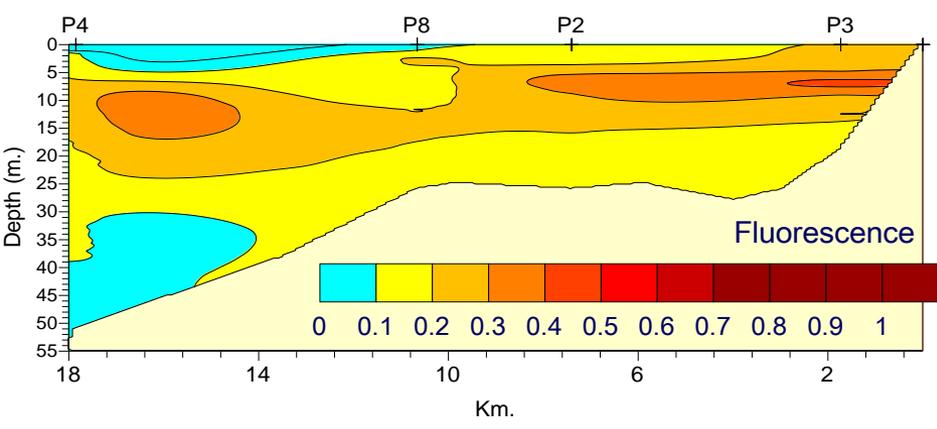
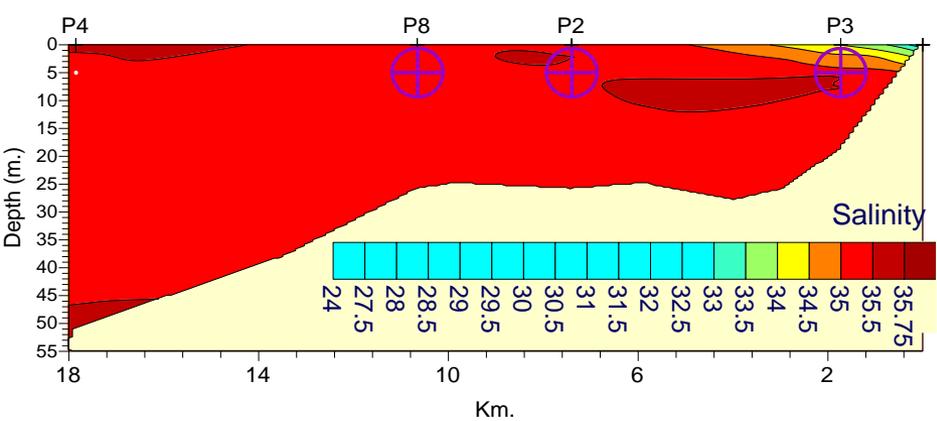
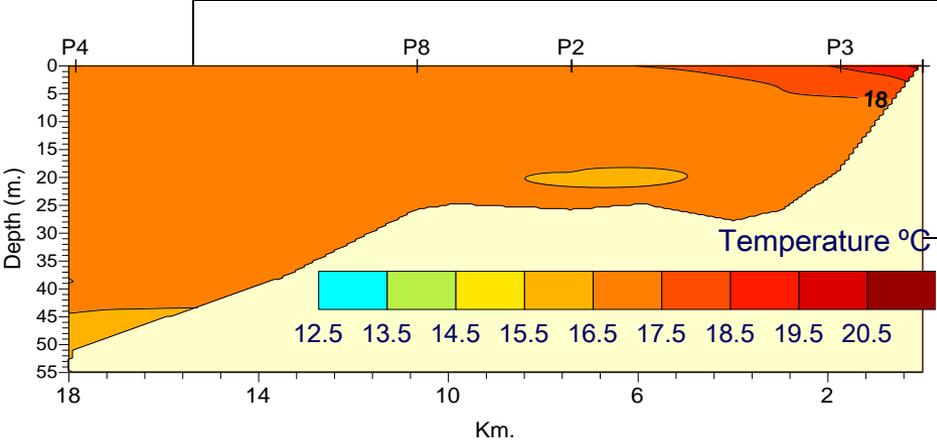
SUMMER: Moderate downwelling
 Intrusion of oceanic surface water
 Phytoplankton patches
Dinophysis acuminata presence



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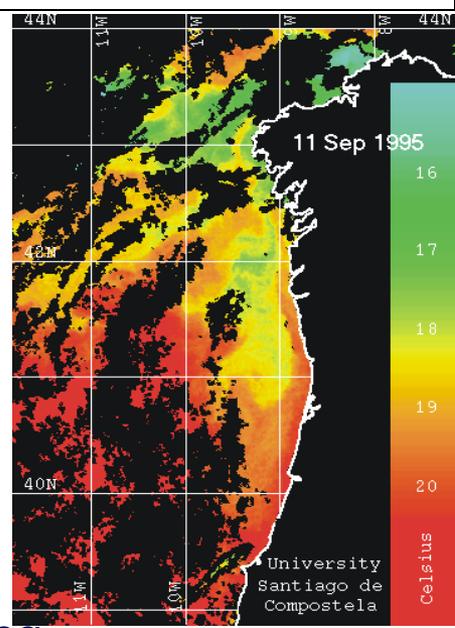
SUMMER: Moderate Downwelling
 Intrusion of oceanic surface water
Dinophysis acuminata accumulation
 and growth

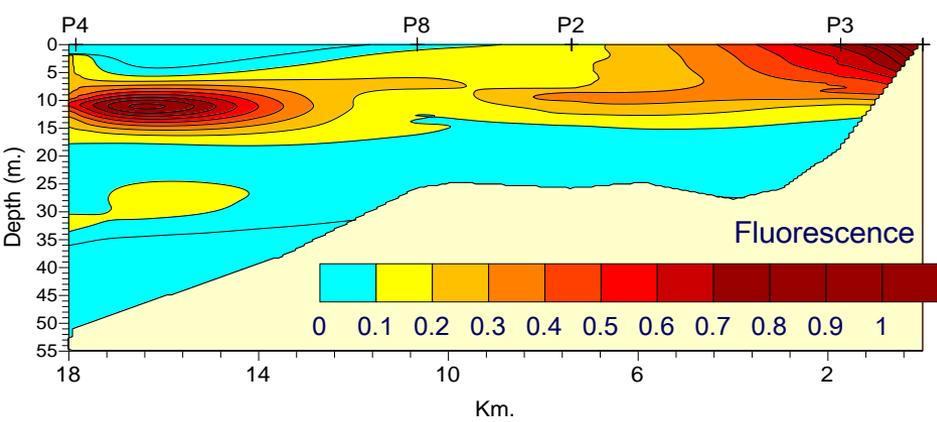
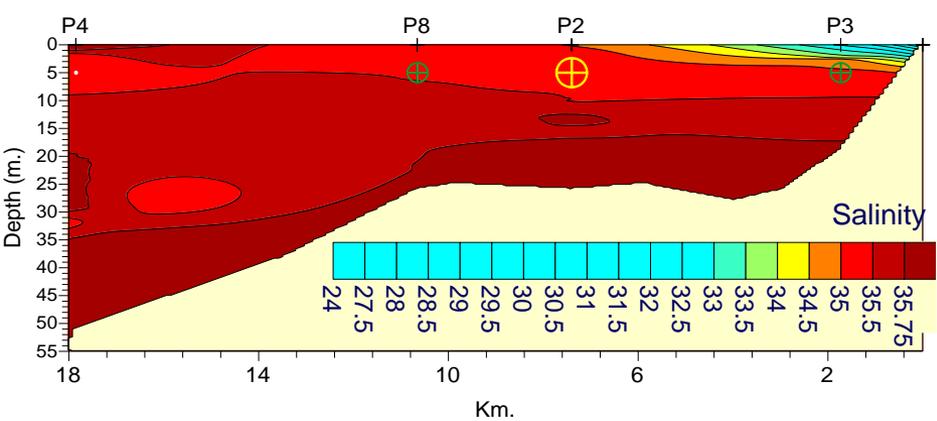
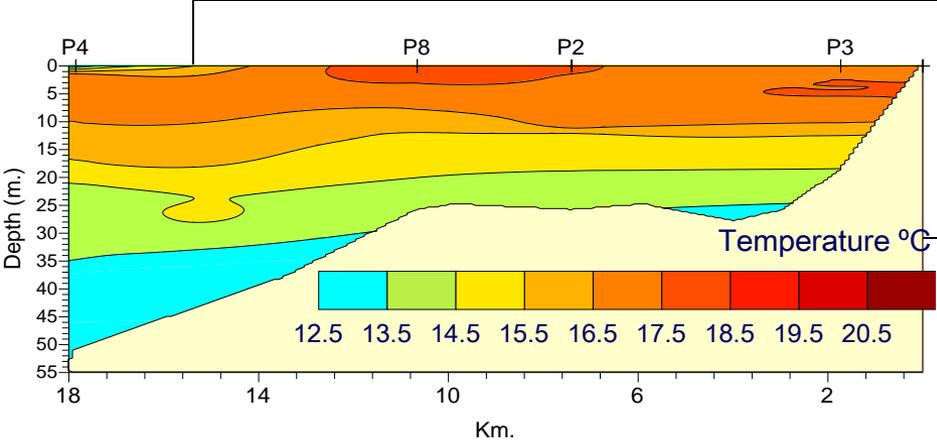


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SUMMER: Downwelling
 Intrusion of oceanic surface water
 T= 17°C S= 35.0
Dinophysis acuminata annual maximum

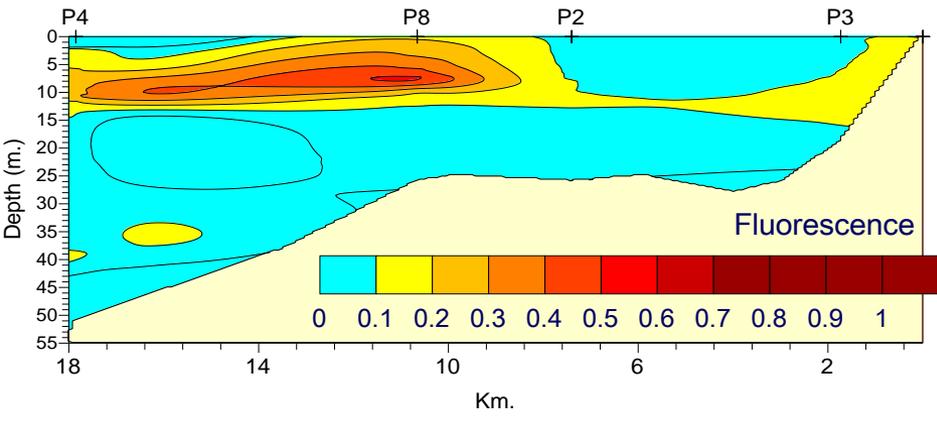
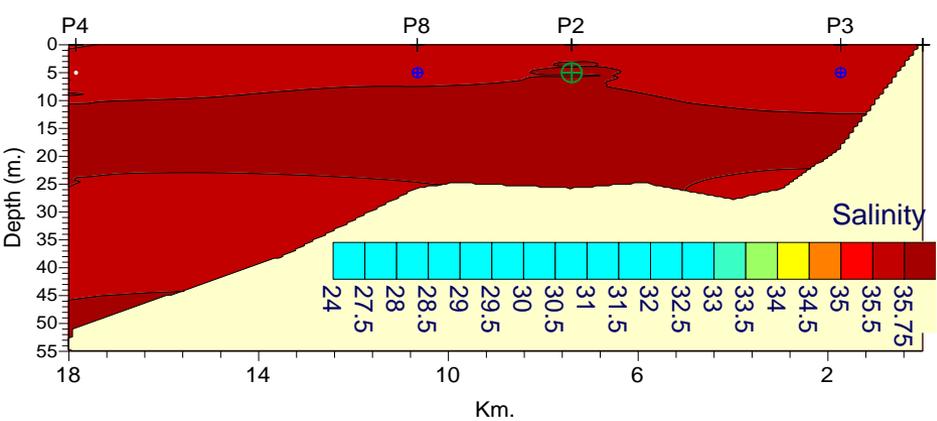
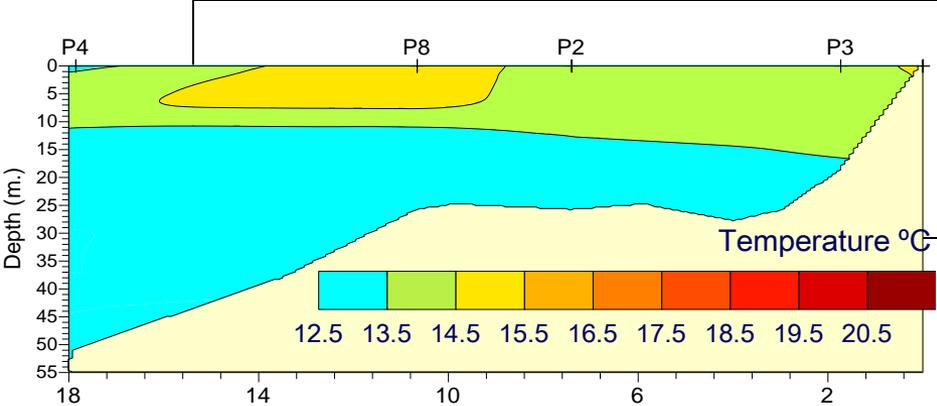




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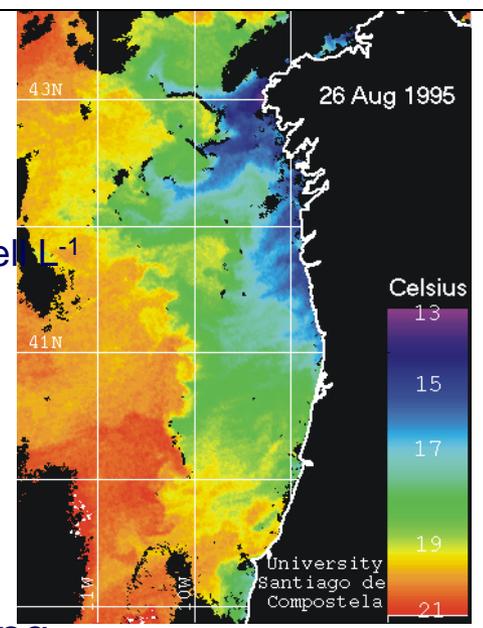
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SUMMER: Downwelling relaxation



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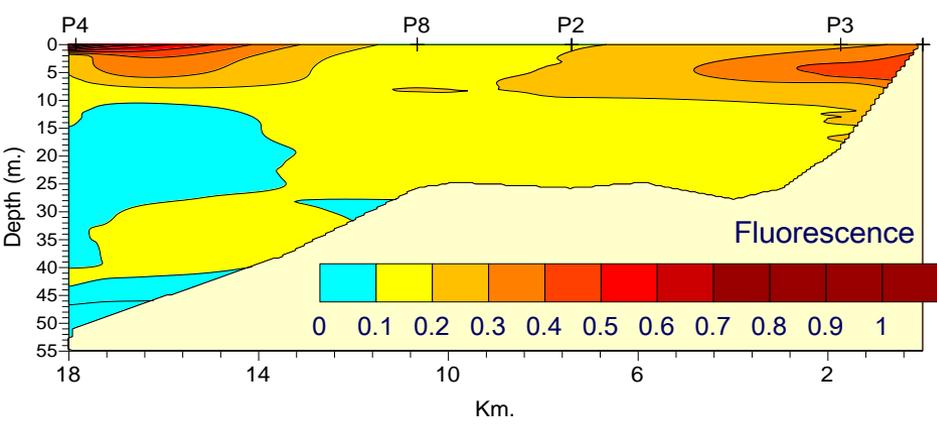
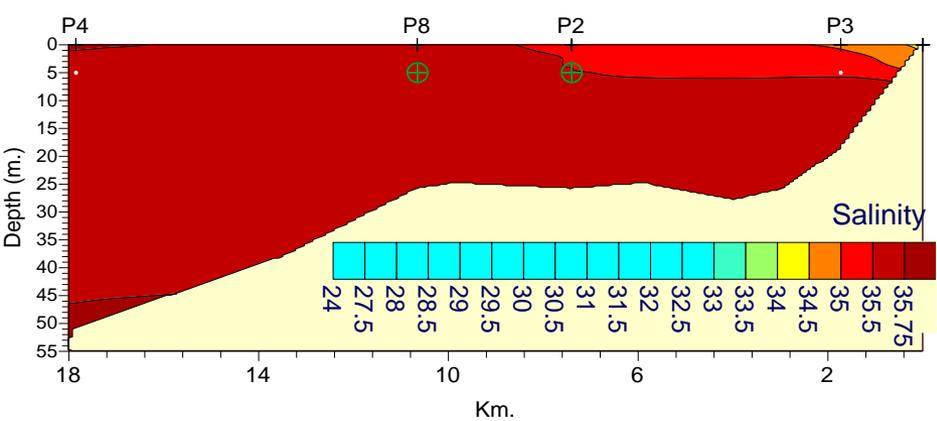
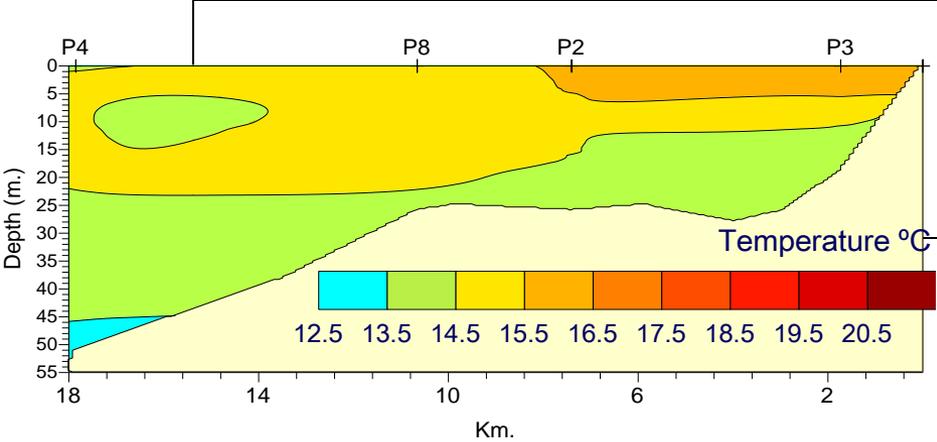


AUTUMN: Upwelling

Bottom intrusion of colder & saltier water

Phytoplankton exportation offshore

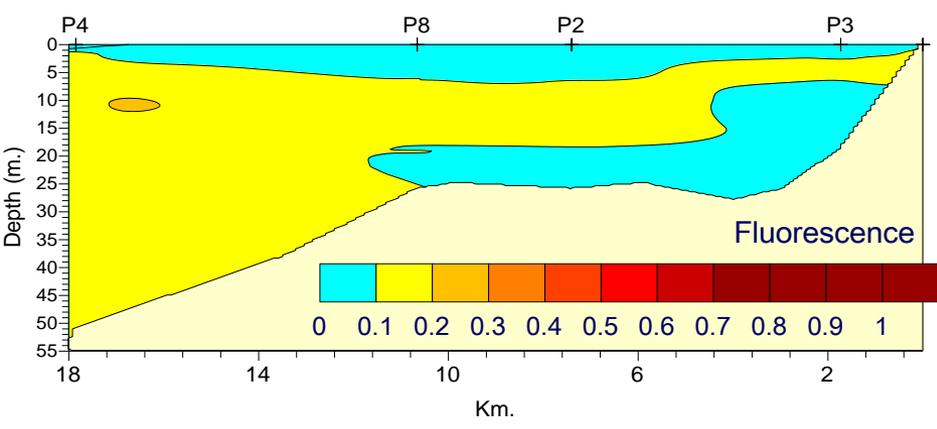
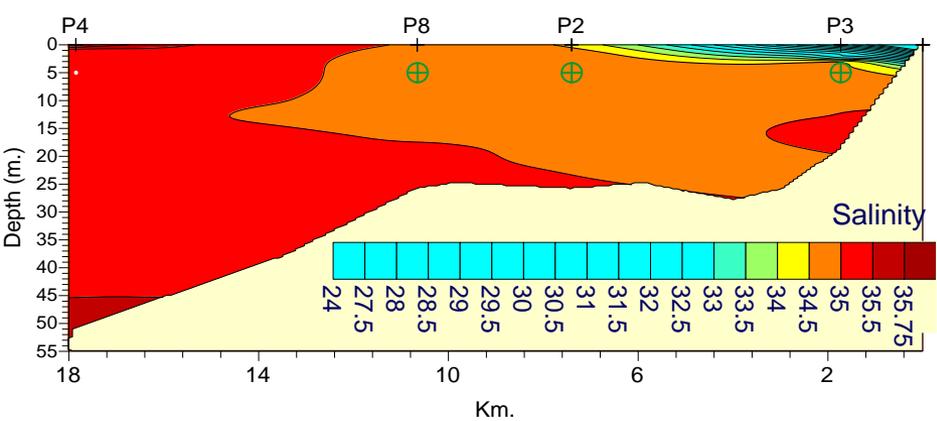
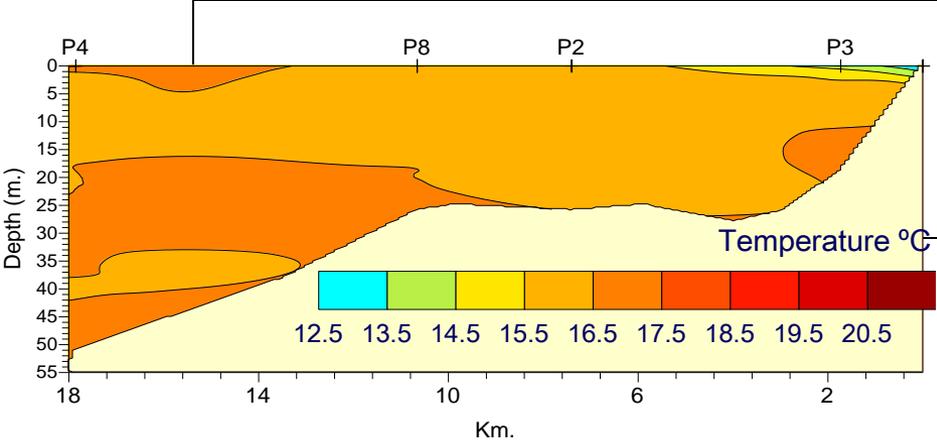
Dinophysis acuminata persistence



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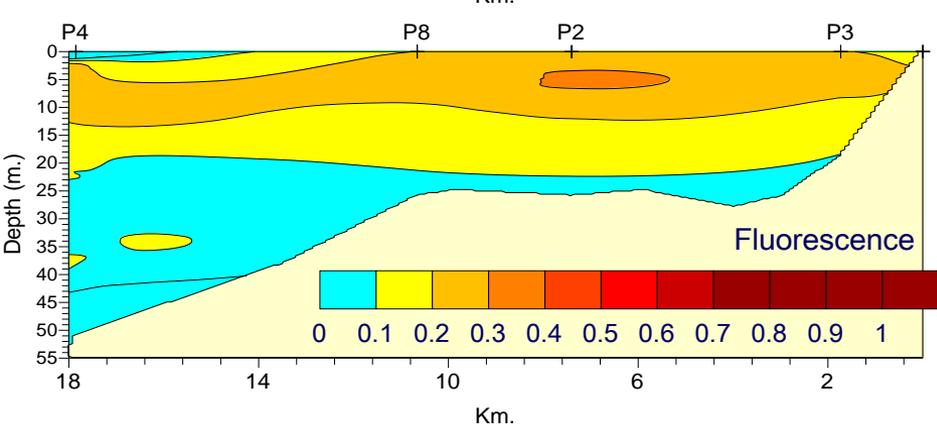
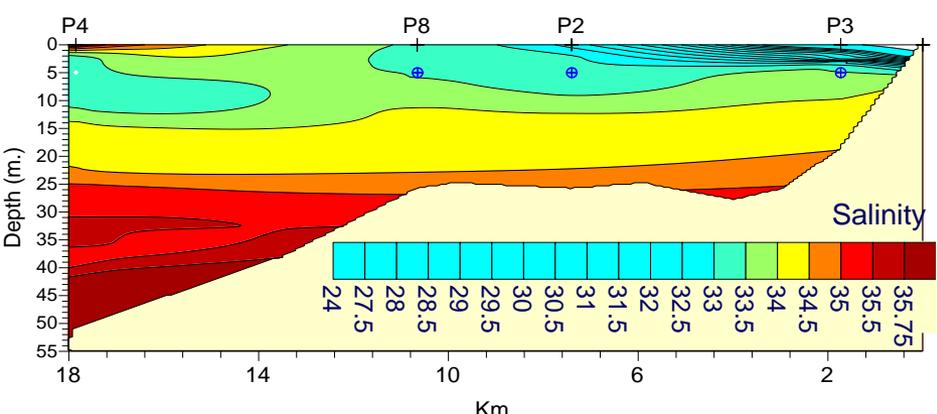
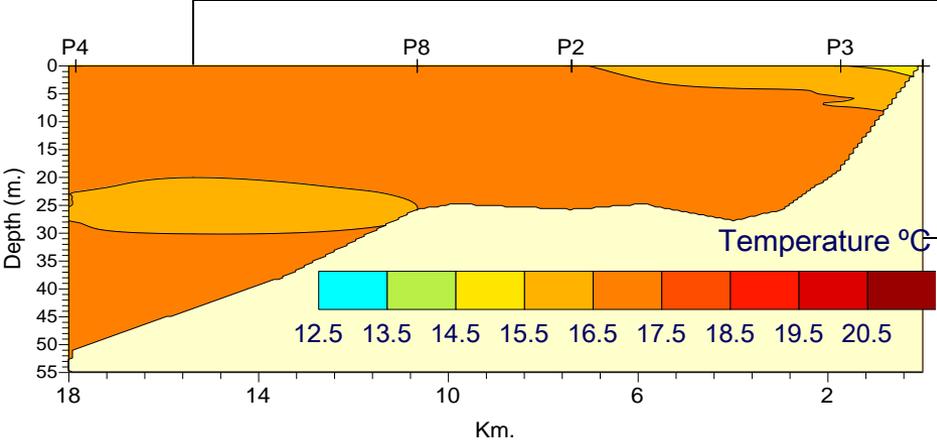
AUTUMN: Upwelling relaxation
Dinophysis acuminata persistence



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AUTUMN: Initiation of downwelling
 Temperature and salinity
 homogenization except in the innermost
 part of the ría
 Almost no phytoplankton
Dinophysis acuminata advection

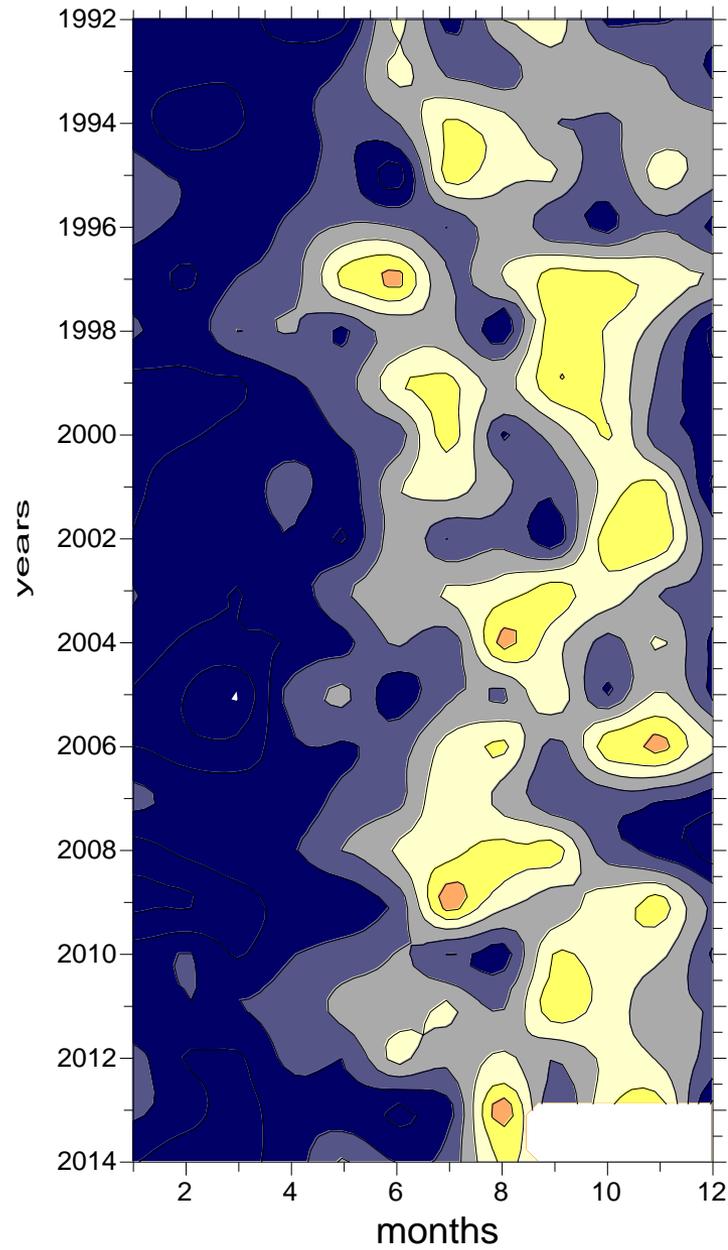


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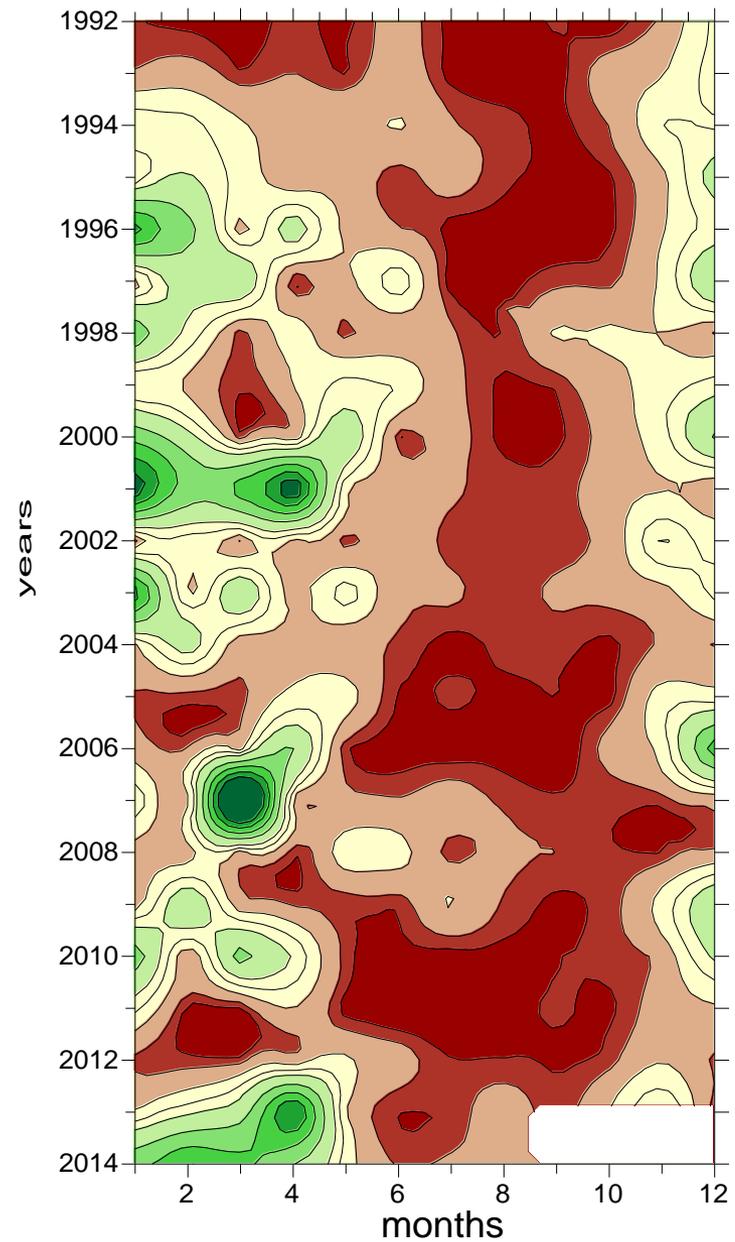
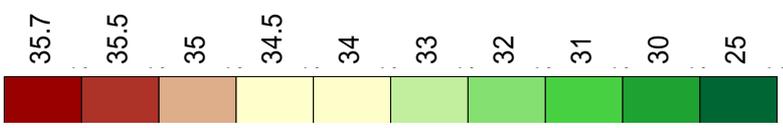
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WINTER CONDITIONS: Downwelling & rainfall
 Almost phytoplankton absence
Dinophysis acuminata disappearing

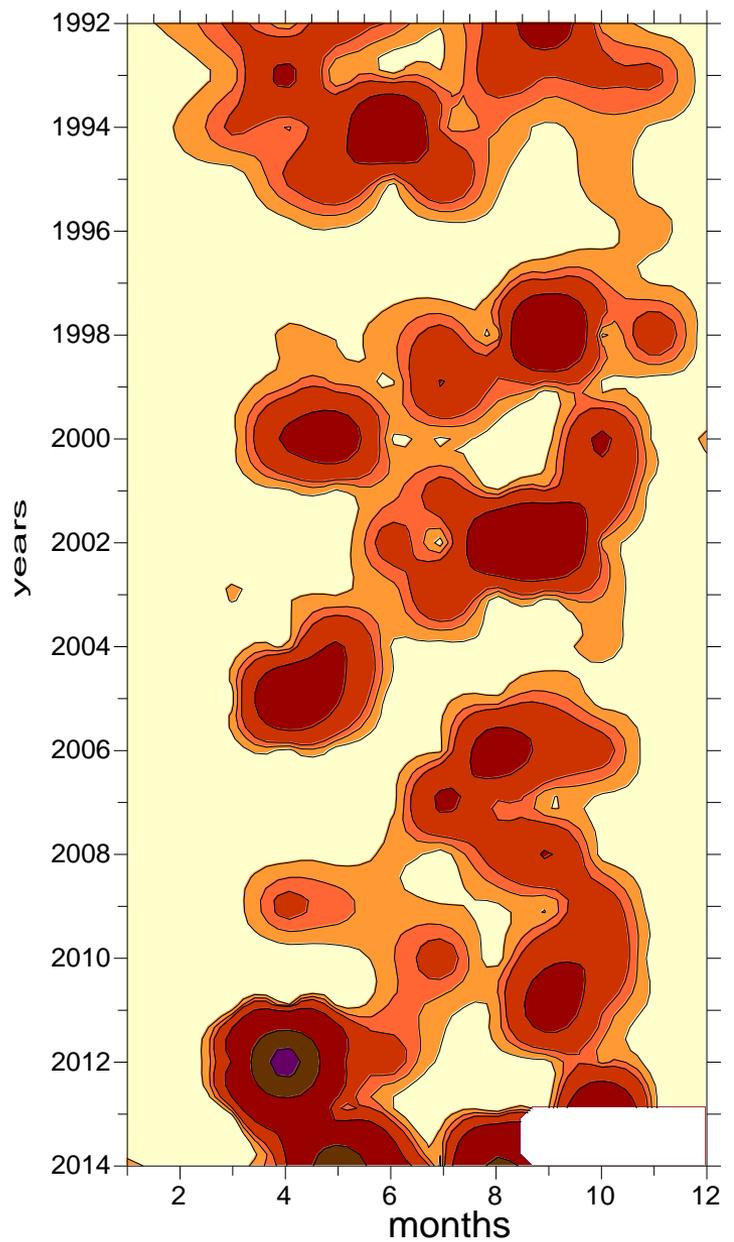
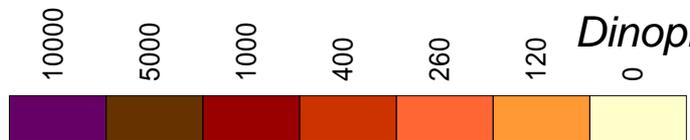
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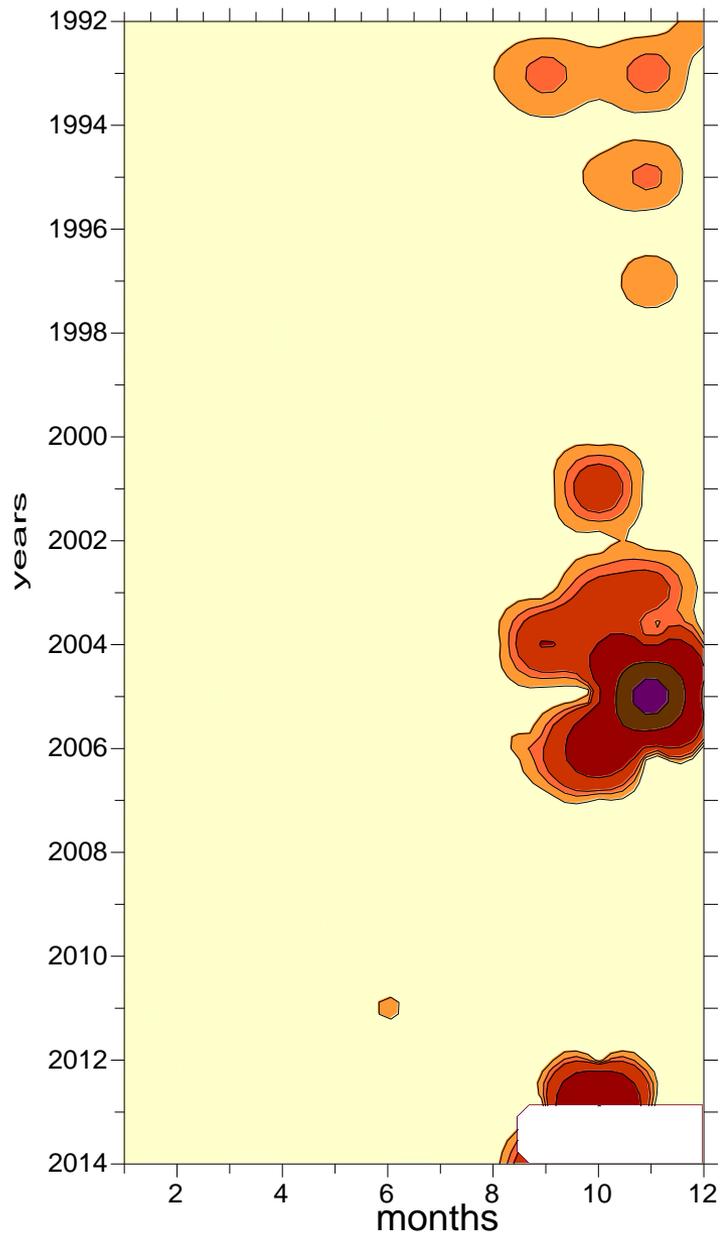
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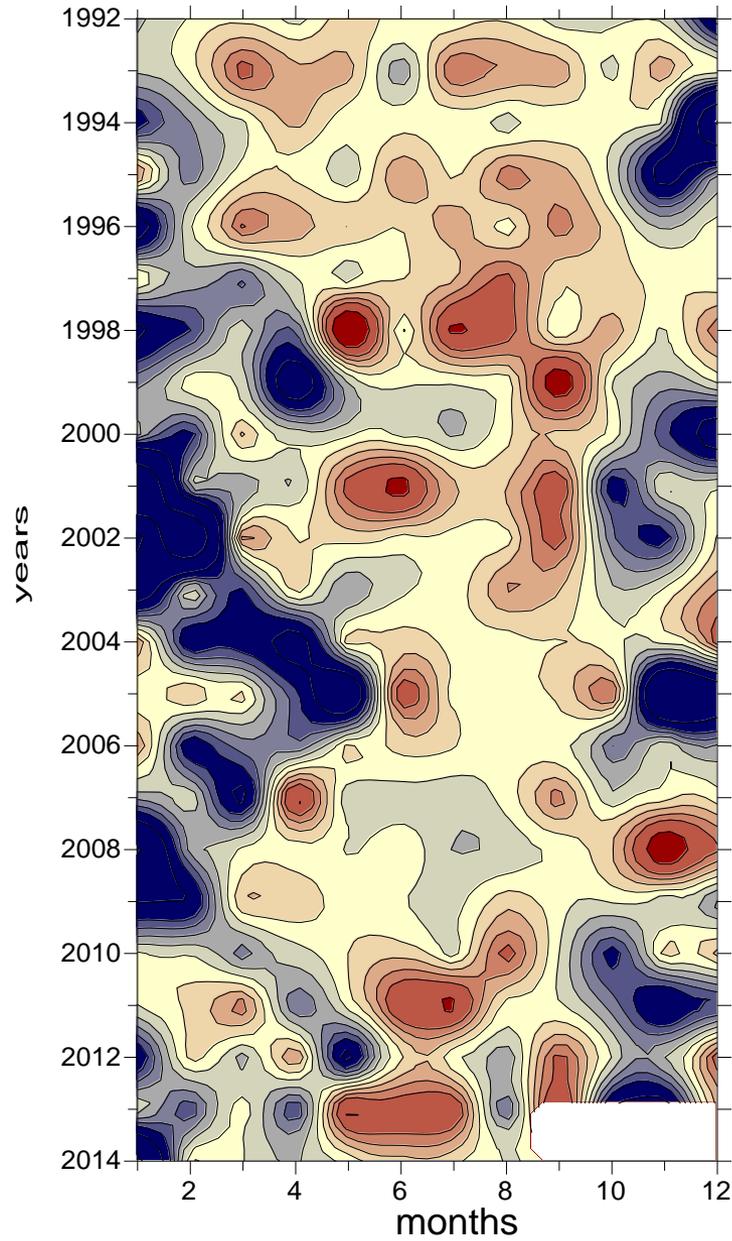
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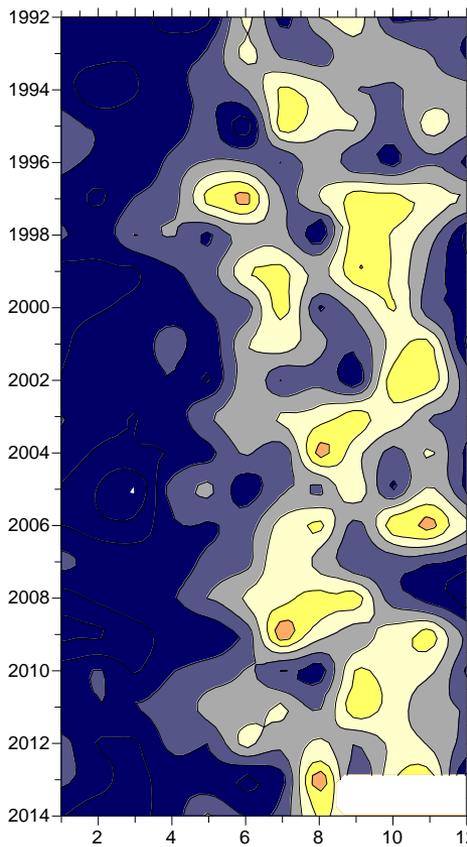
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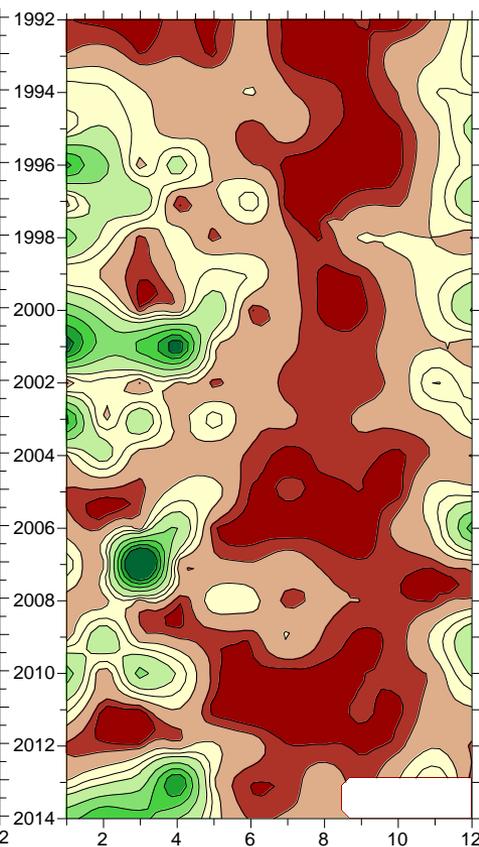
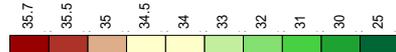
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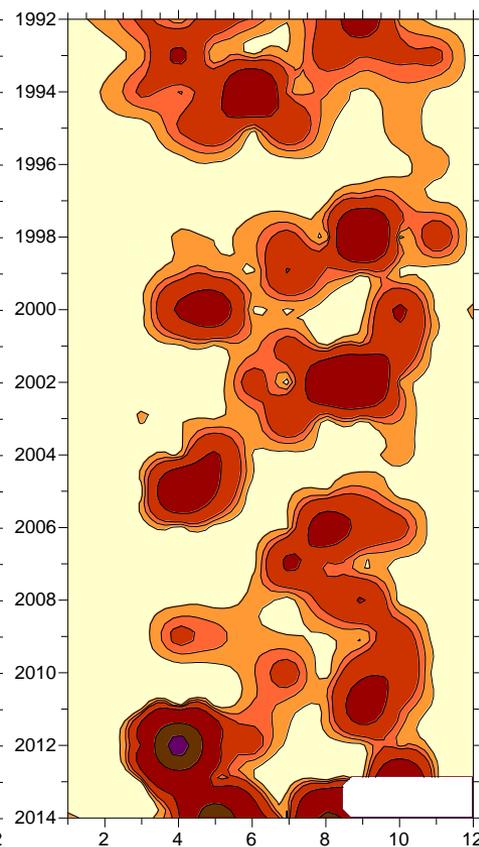
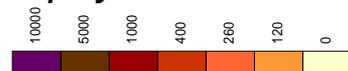
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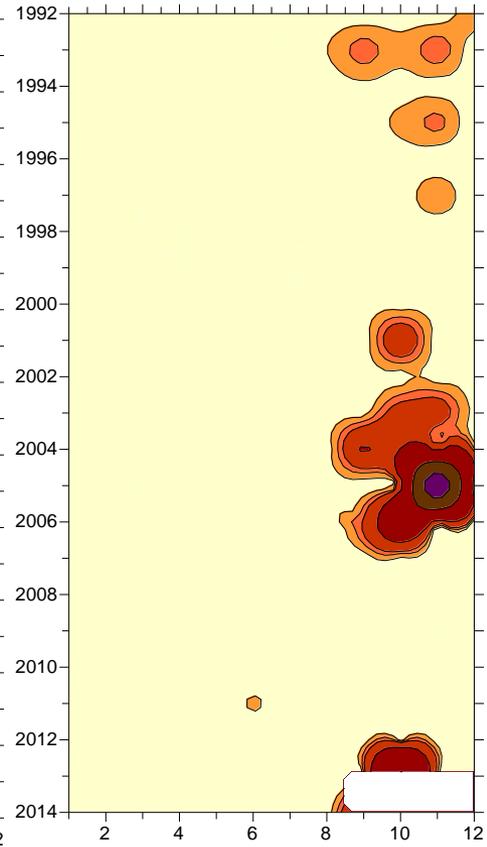
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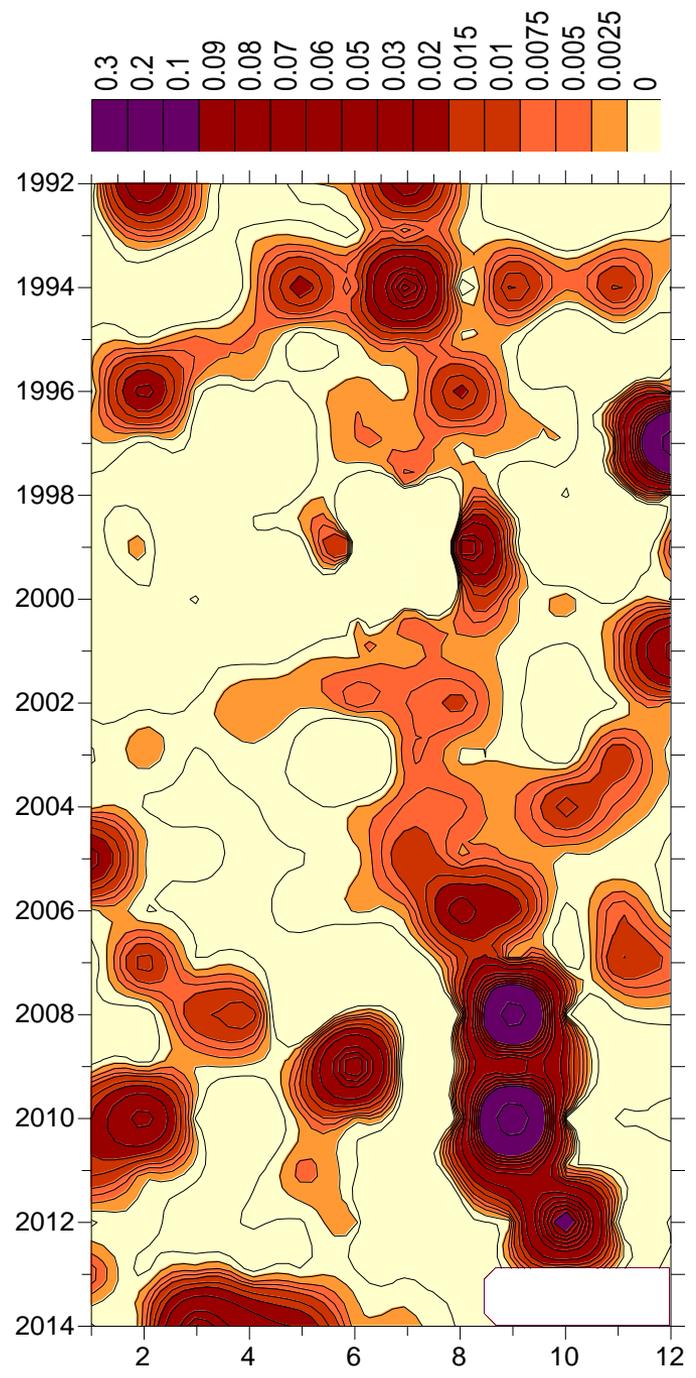
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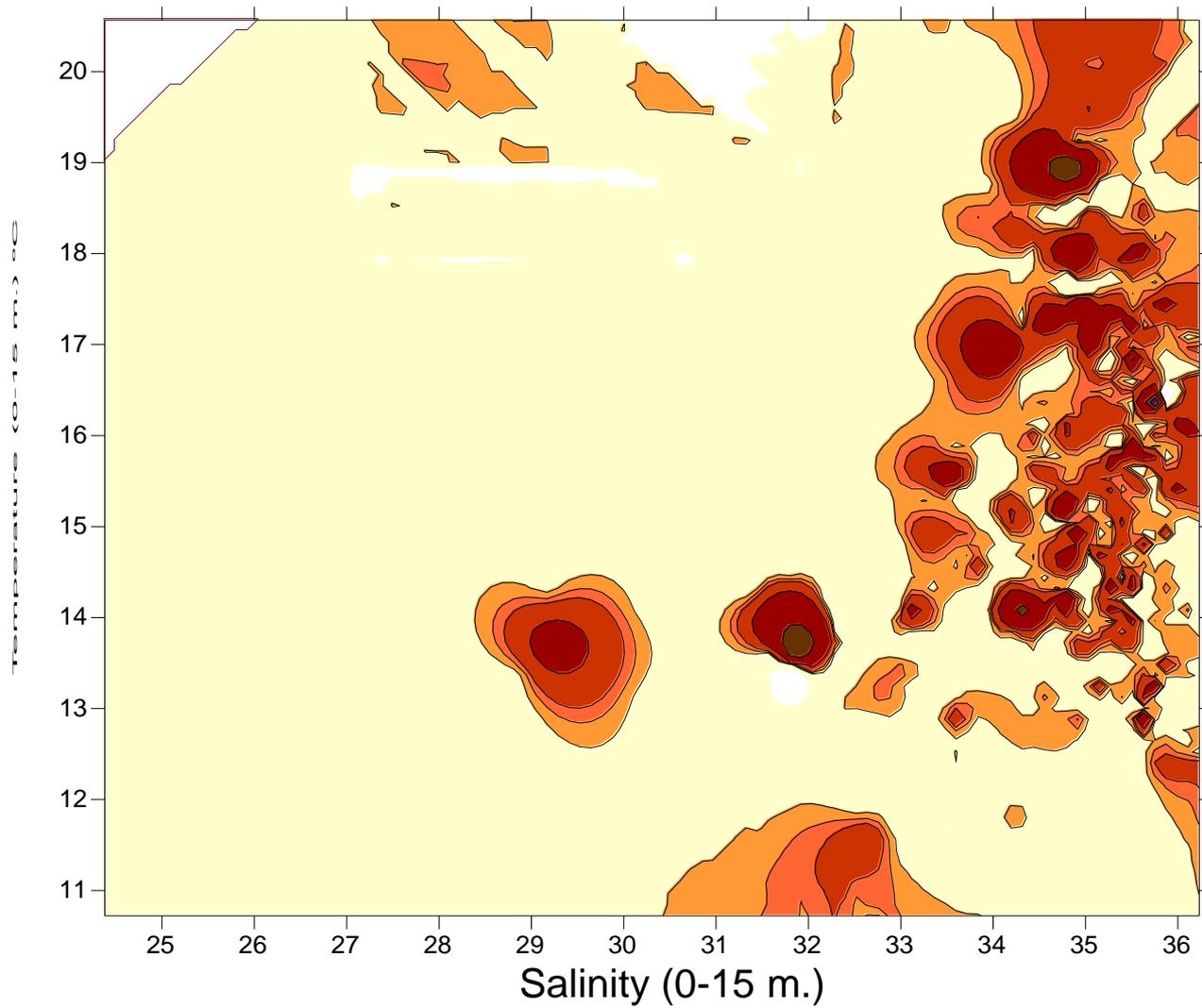


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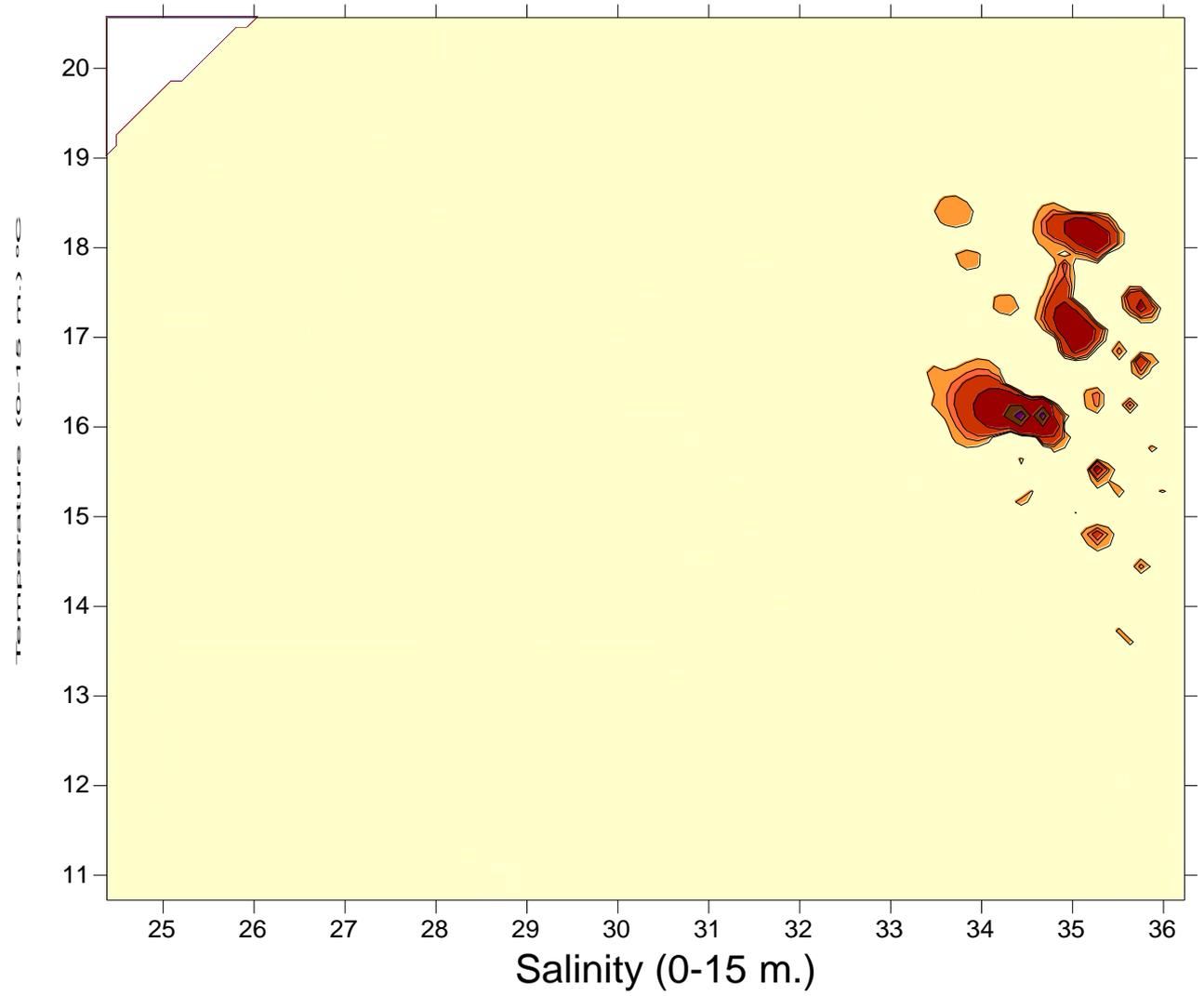
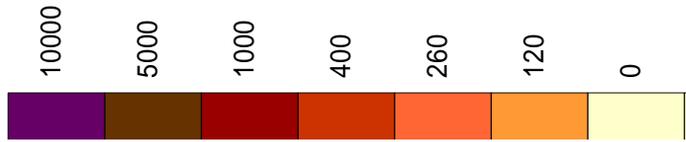


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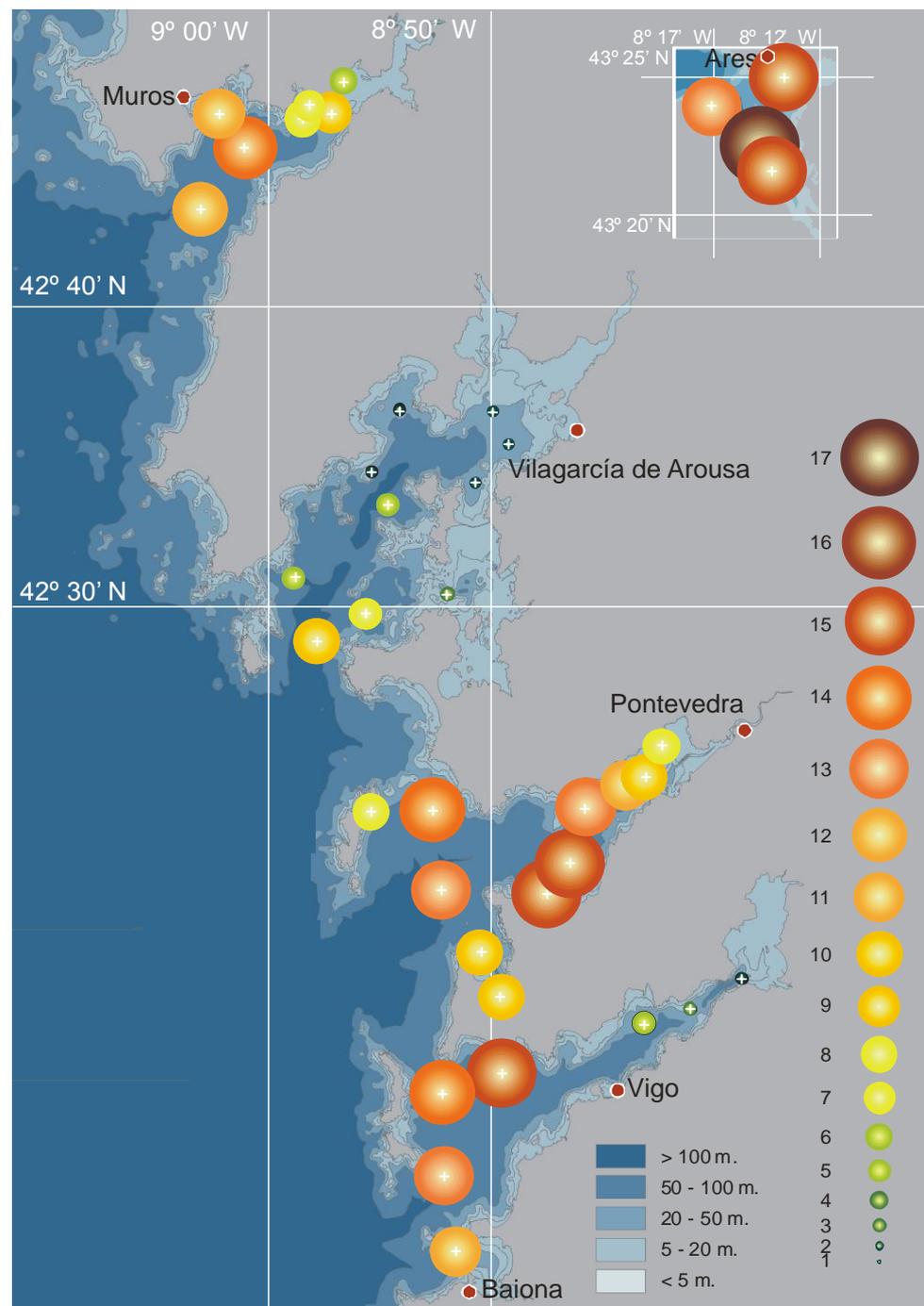


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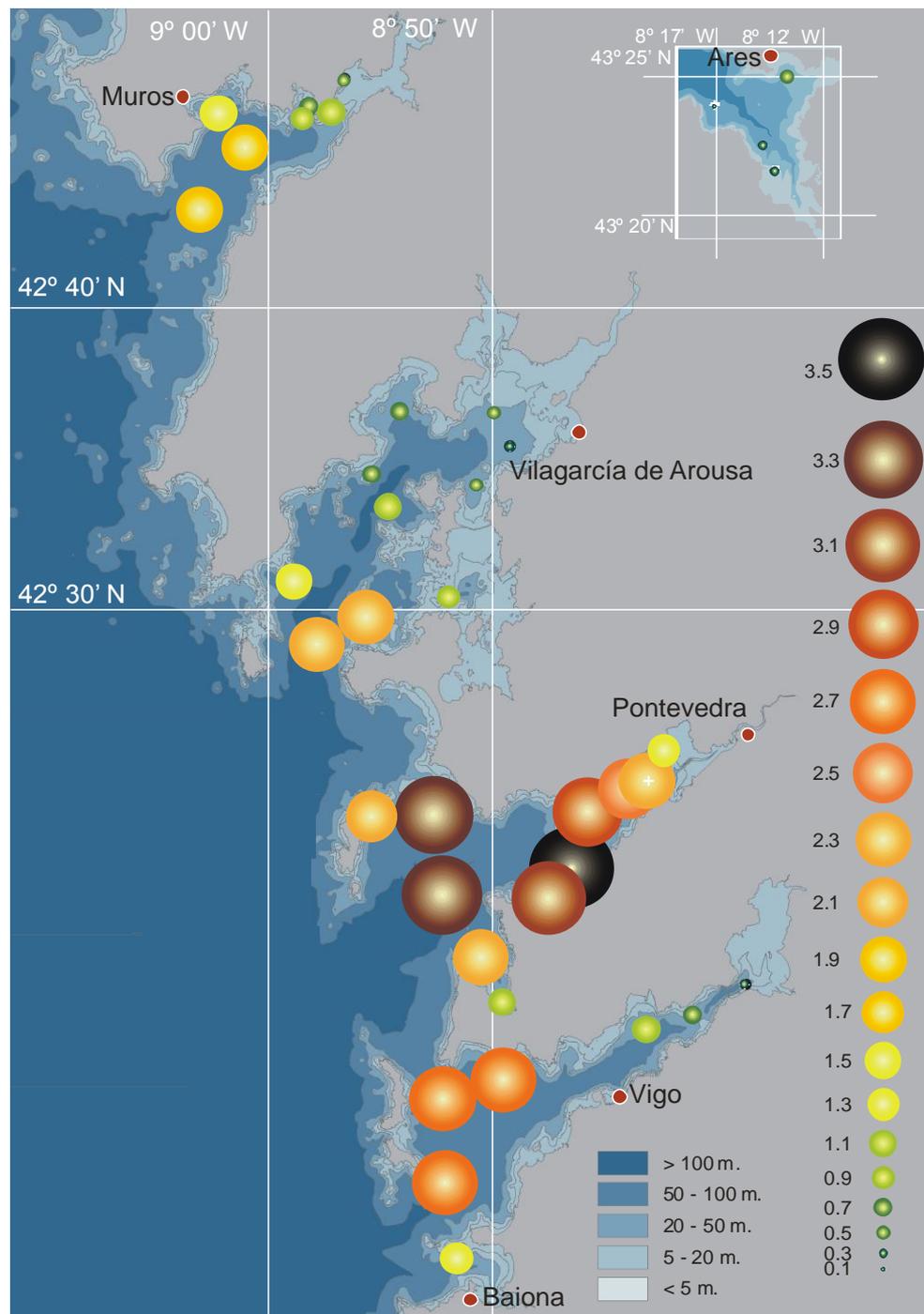


Dinophysis acuminata
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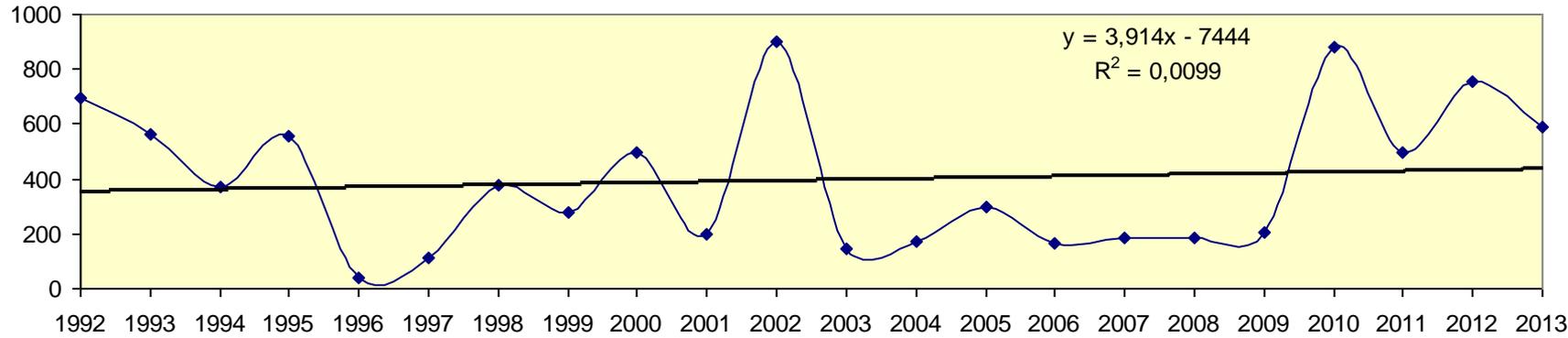




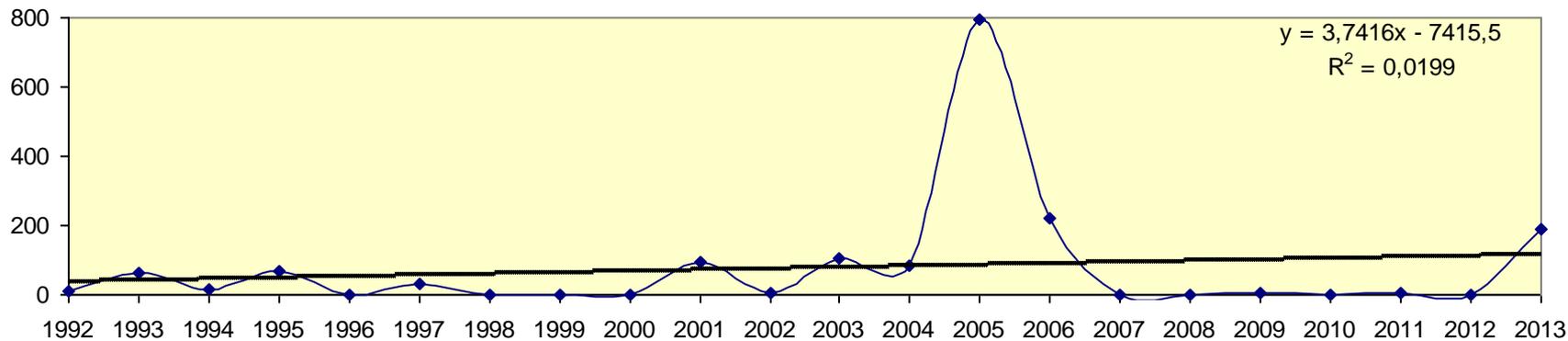
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Dinophysis acuminata cellL⁻¹ (0-15 m) P2 St



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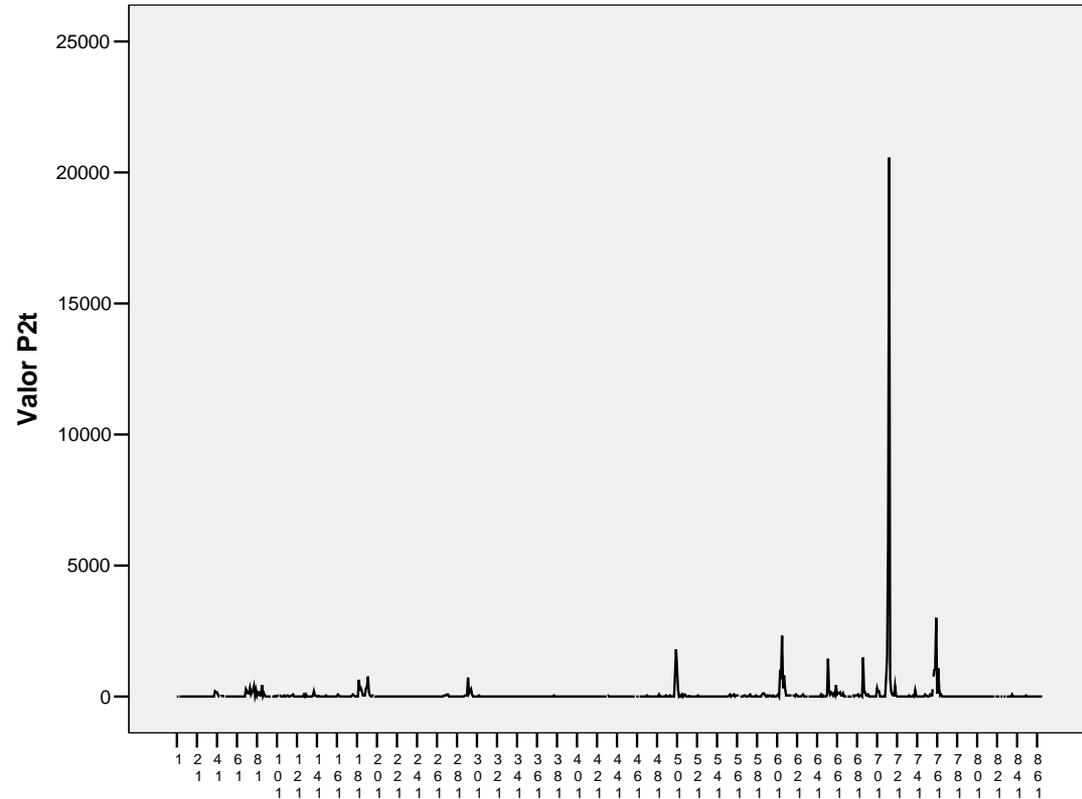




Dinophysis acuminata (P2 st)

Model moving average
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partial and very high.

A trend is not observed



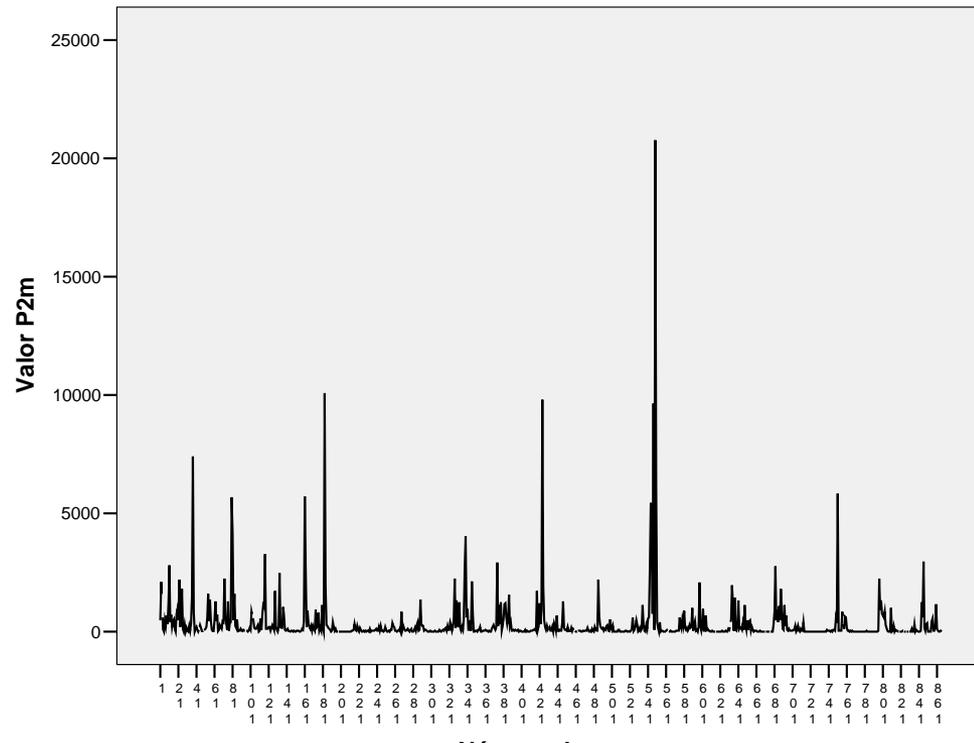


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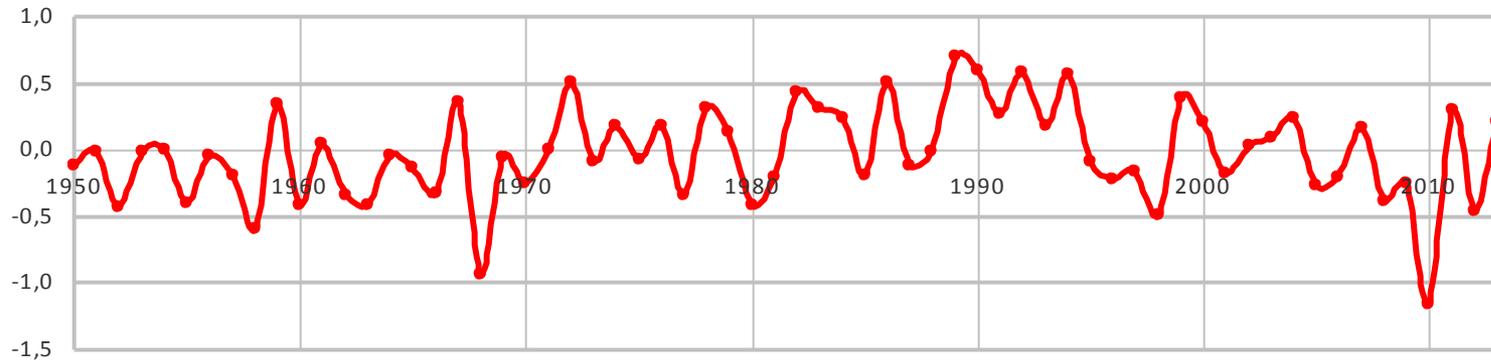
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The first autocorrelation is high
and the rest falls coup.

This series presents a seasonal
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There is not a long-term trend.

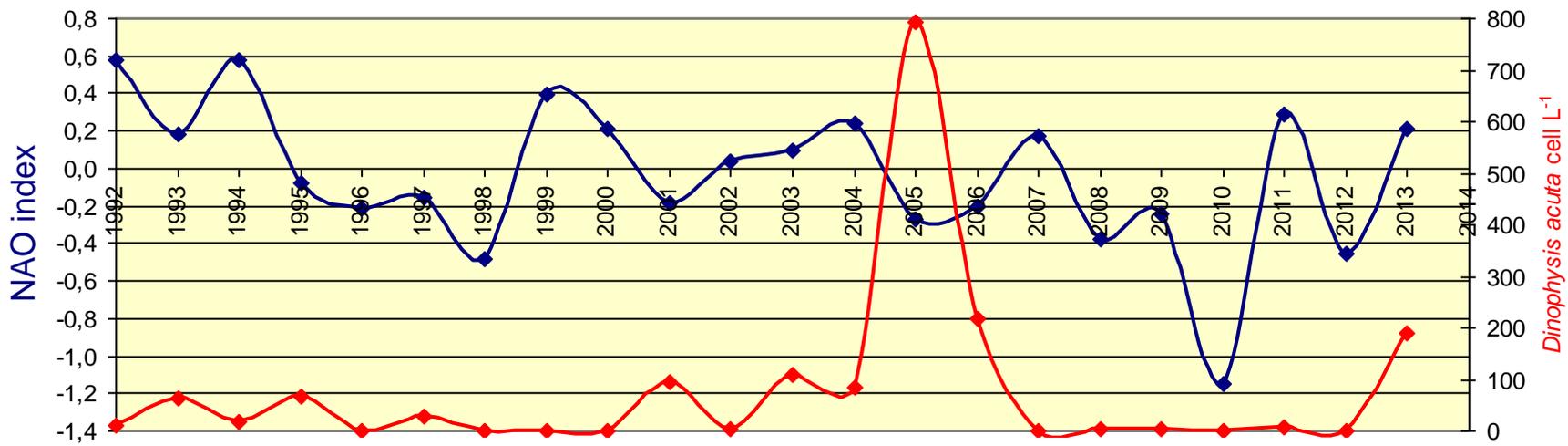


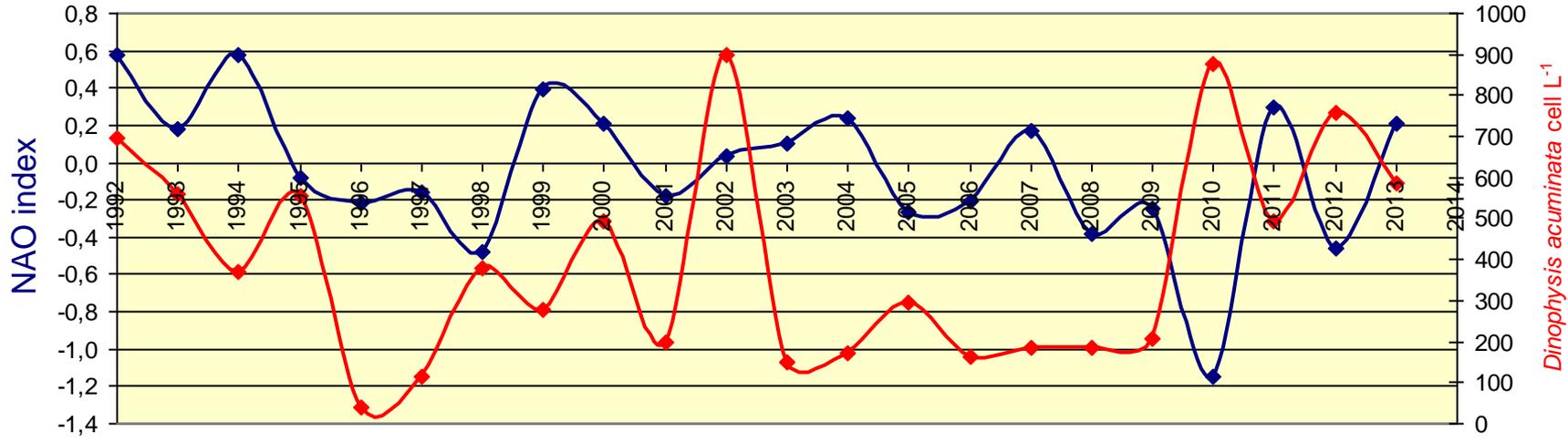
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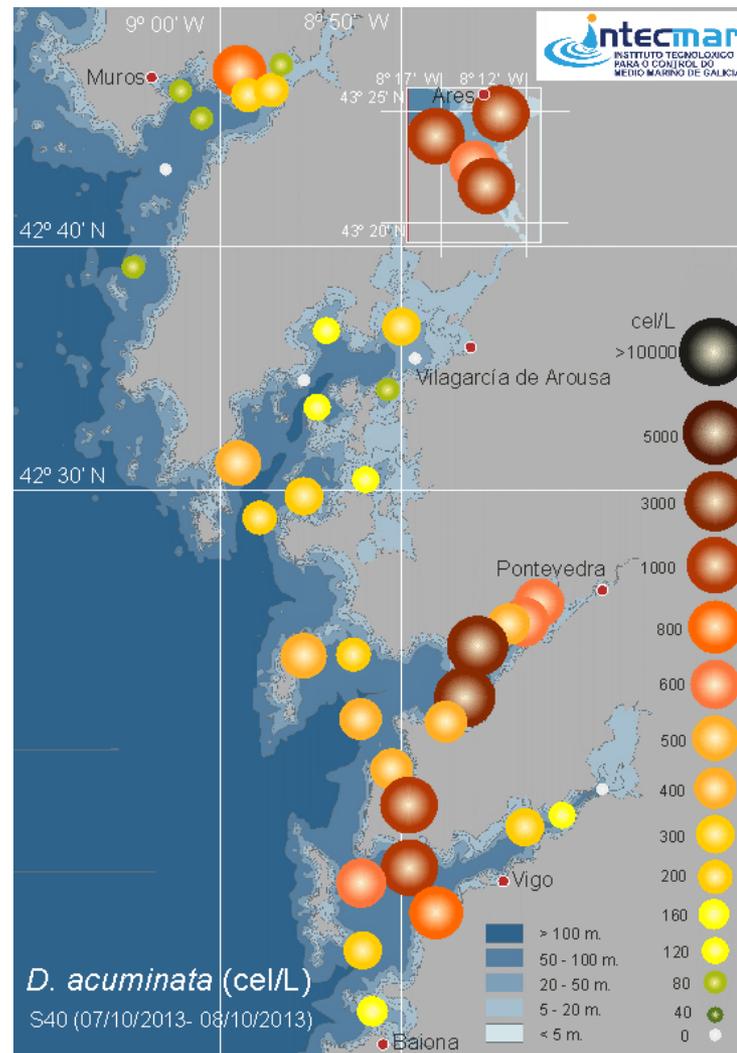
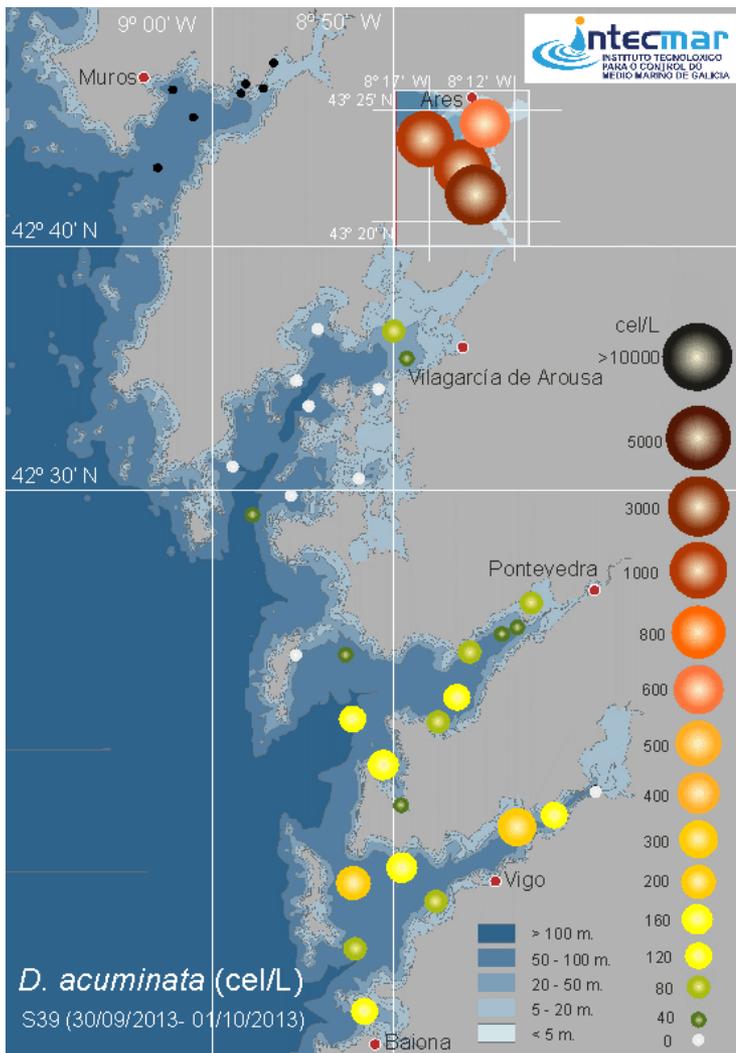


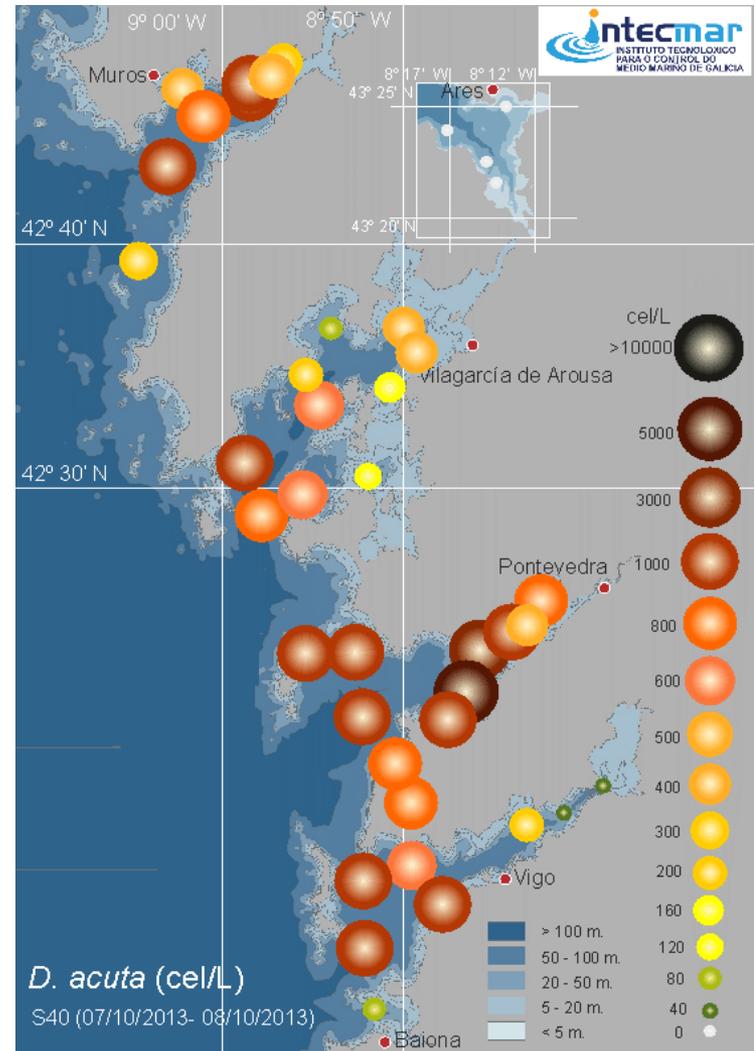
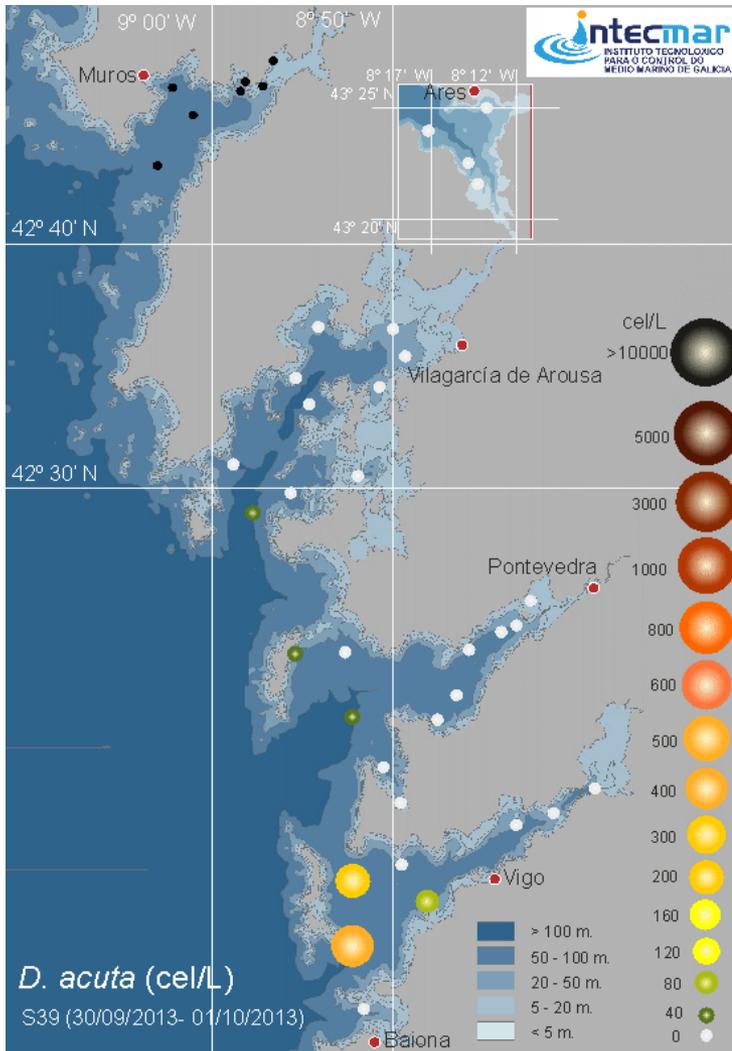
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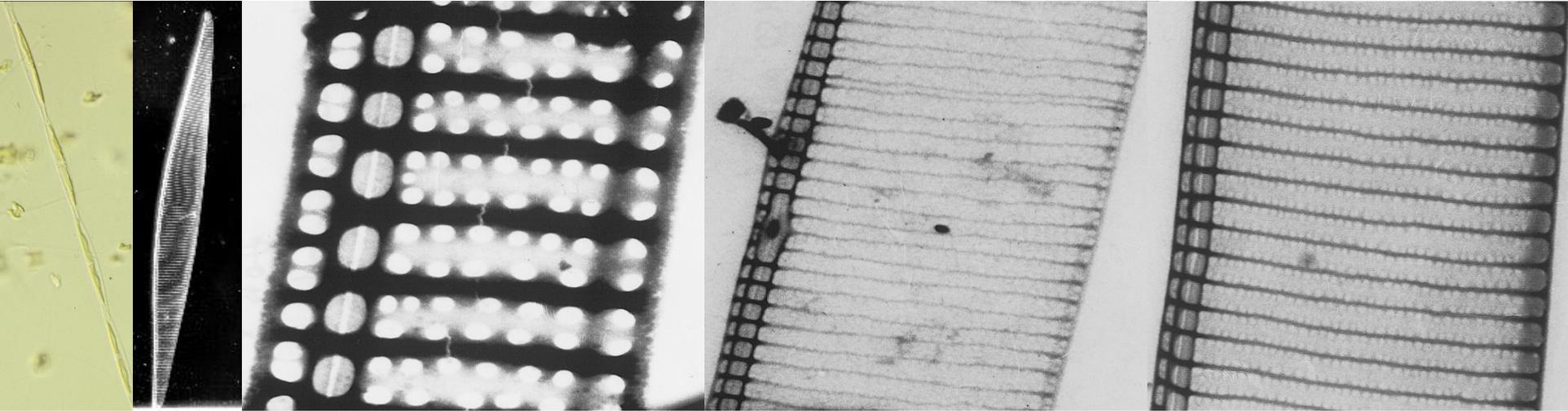
Amnésicas (ASP)

Las especies relacionadas con la presencia de las toxinas descritas en 1987, toxinas amnésicas pertenecen al género *Pseudo-nitzschia*. La principal causante de las prolongadas prohibiciones de extracción de vieira en Galicia es *P. australis*



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Clase Bacillariophyceae



Pseudo-nitzschia sp.

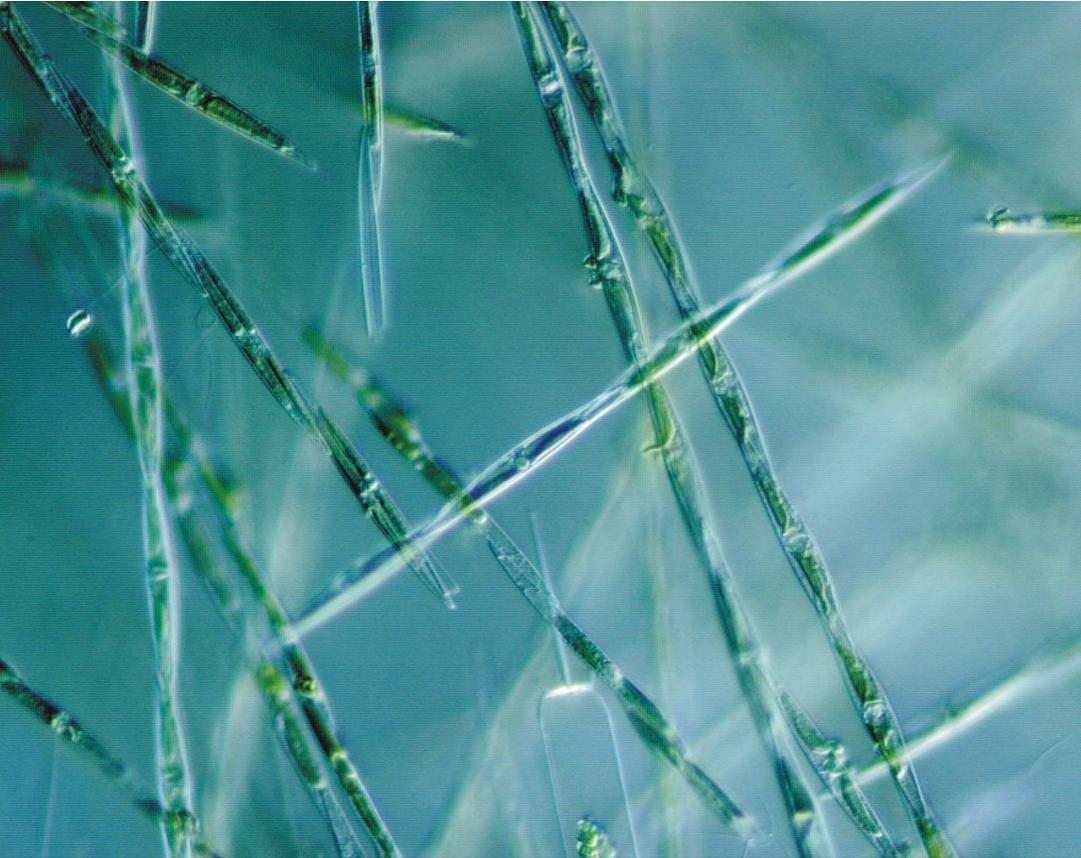
Pseudo-nitzschia pungens (Grunow ex Cleve) Hasle, 1993

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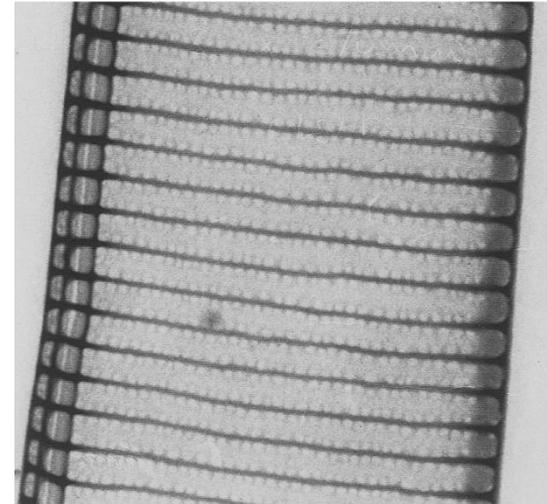
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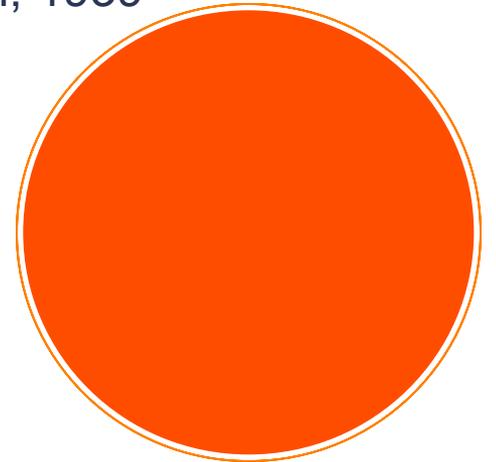
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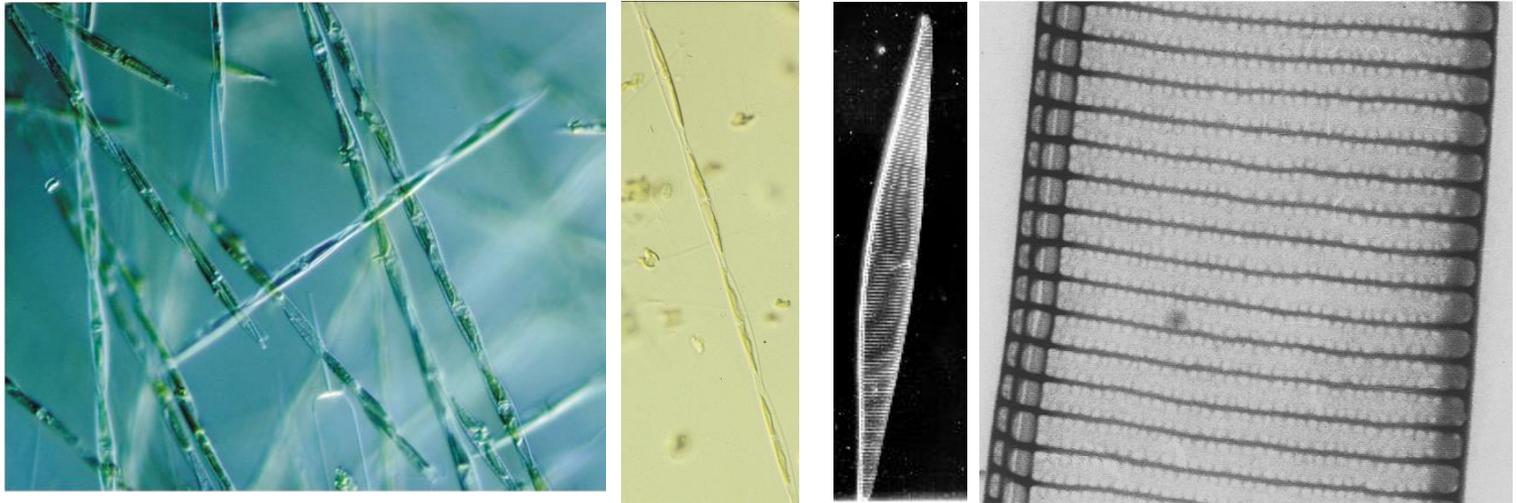
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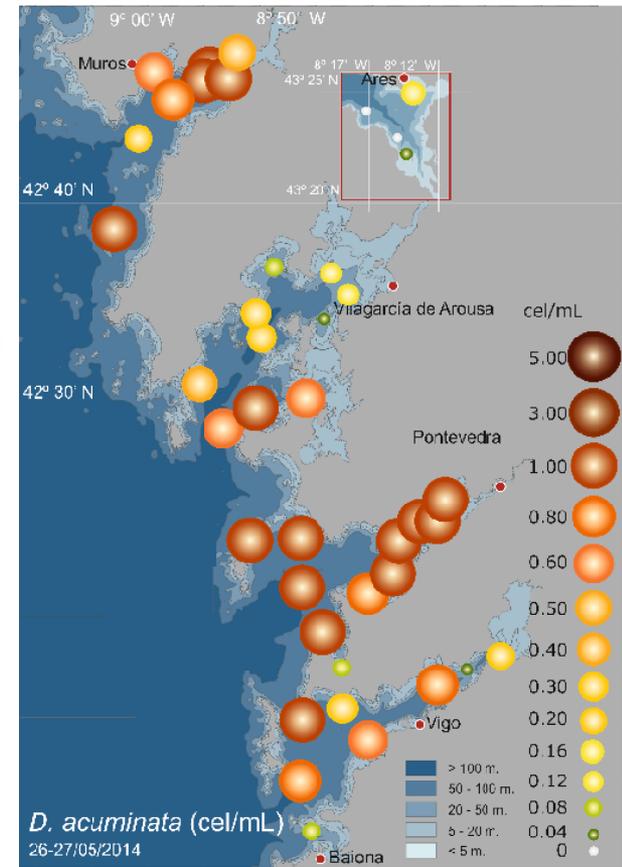
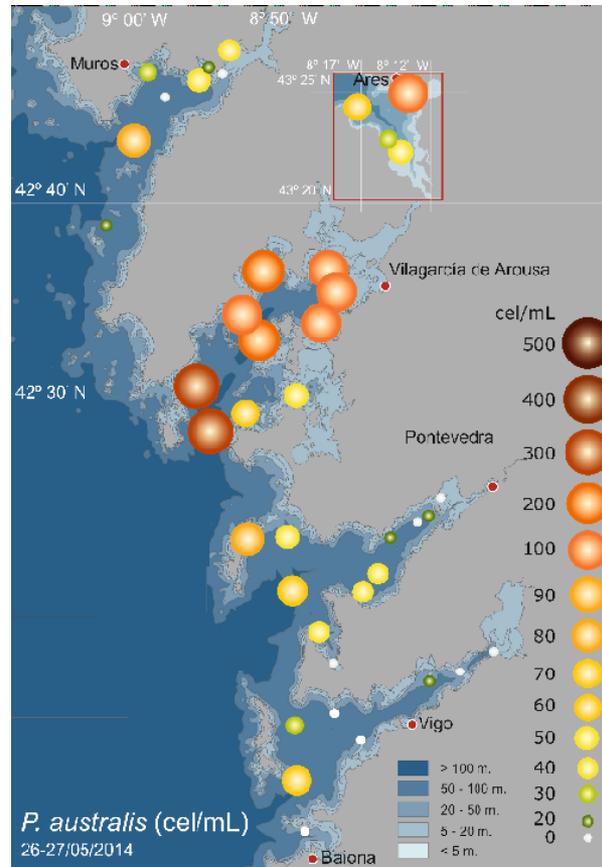
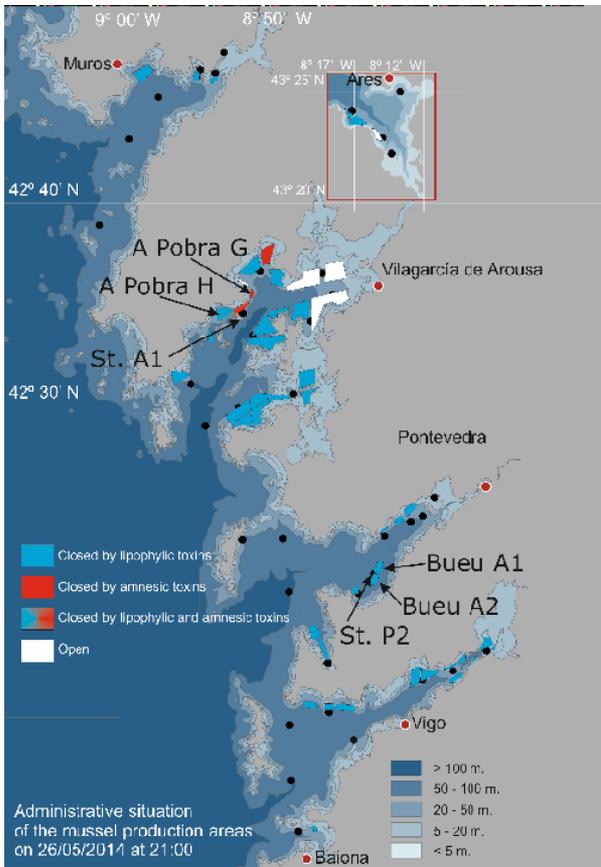


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METHODOLOGY

- Biotoxins concentration in the mussels from the production areas (P.A) (0-15 m.)
 - Lipophilic toxins quantification by UPLC-MS/MS Sup. EURL-MB v.5
 - Domoic acid quantification by HPLC-UV-Diode
 - Lipophylic toxins by biological test. T. Yasumoto, 1984
 - Phytoplankton counts by Utermohl method
 - Vertical profiles of salinity and temperatura by CTD
 - *Pseudo-nitzschia australis* identification by TEM



According to the Epidemiological Bulletin of the Xunta de Galicia, and despite the ban of harvesting of mussels, two people were poisoned by ASP with symptoms of confusion and memory loss after consuming cooked paella prepared with frozen mussels acquired out of the legal channels of commercialization.

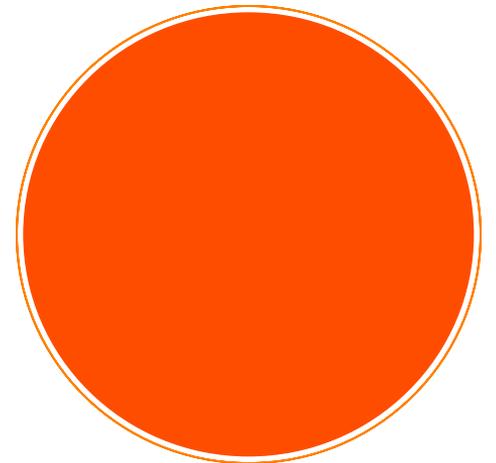
Pazos et al., 2016 Florianapolis ICHA conference

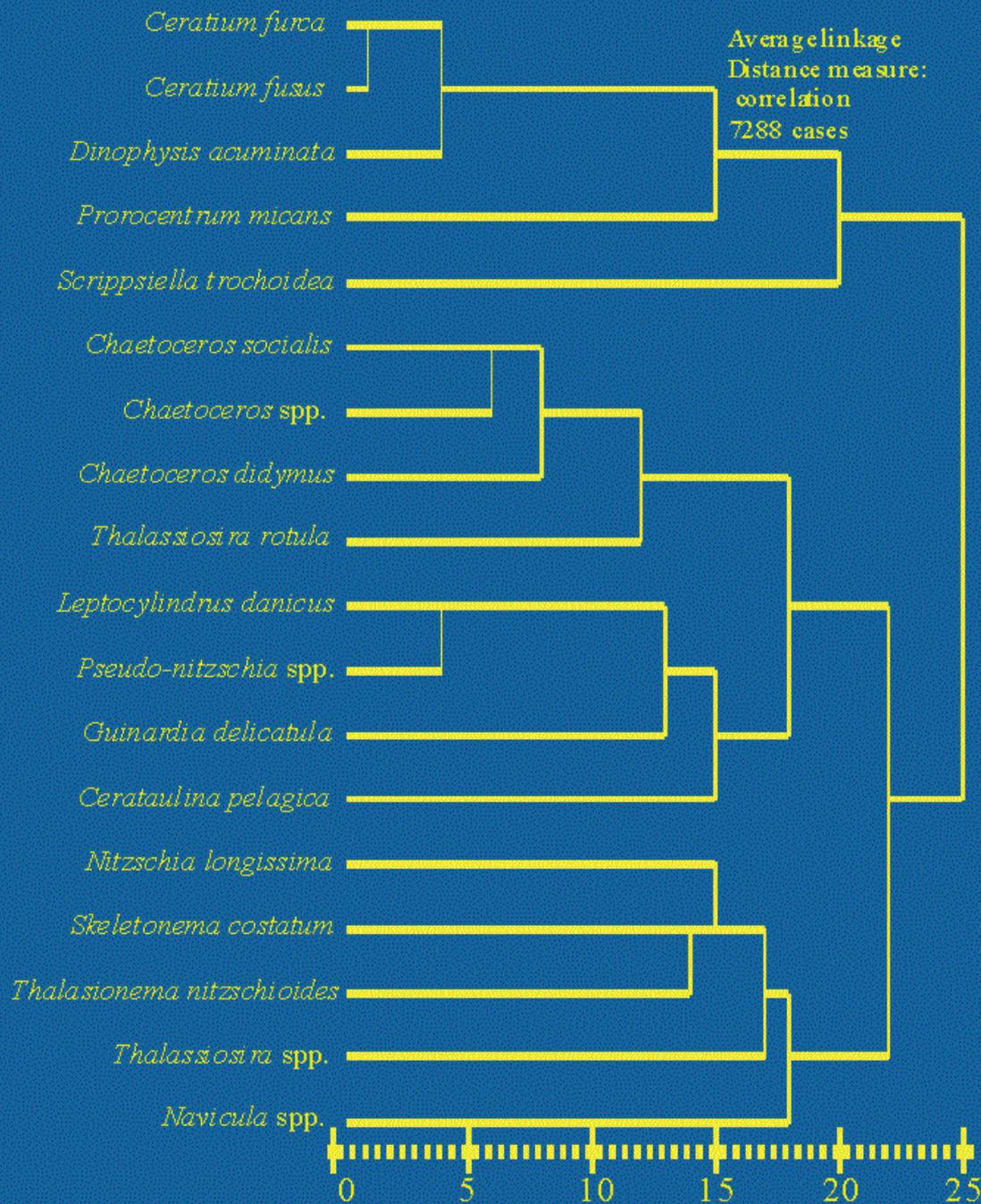
Phytoplankton assemblages by their cellular shape and its ecological significance

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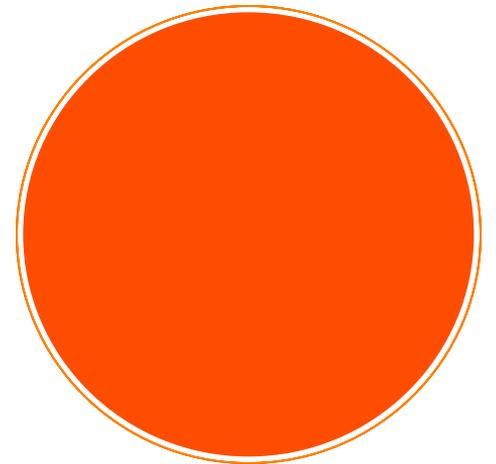
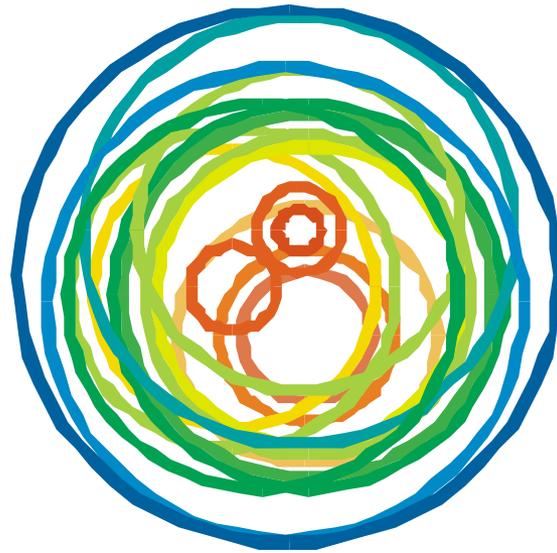




The cluster analyses, using abundance of the most frequently detected (50 % of presence) phytoplankton species, was carried out including 7288 samples weekly collected, from 1992 to 1995, in 33 stations located in the Rías Baixas (NW, Spain). Cluster was made by average linkage using correlation measure in SPSS 11.5 statistical package.



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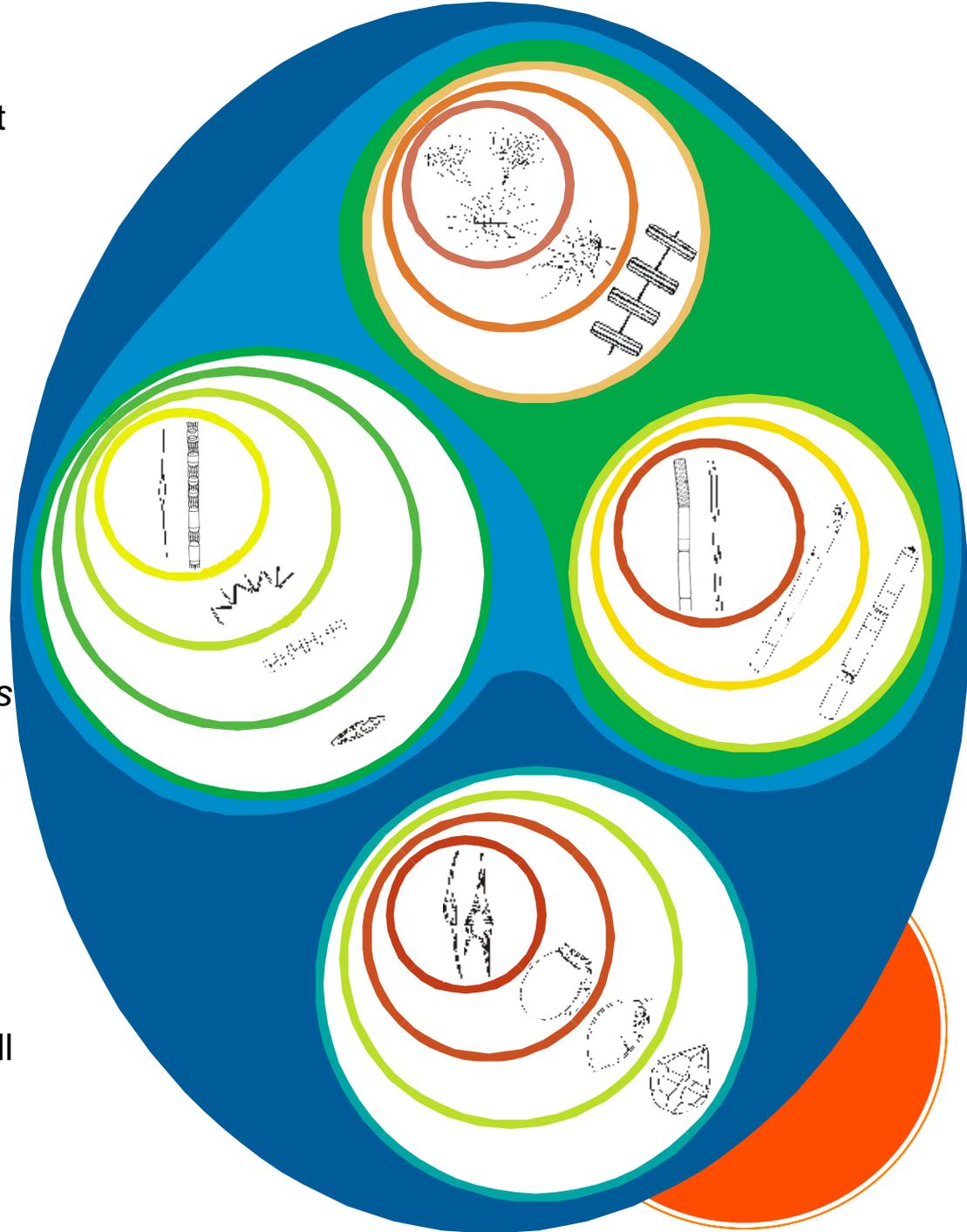
The first cluster included the dinoflagellate species that usually do not form chains, with low eccentricity and low surface/volume ratio: *Ceratium fusus*, *Ceratium furca*, *Dinophysis acuminata* and *Prorocentrum micans*.

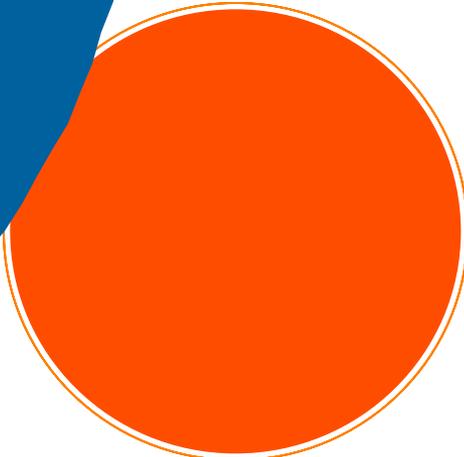
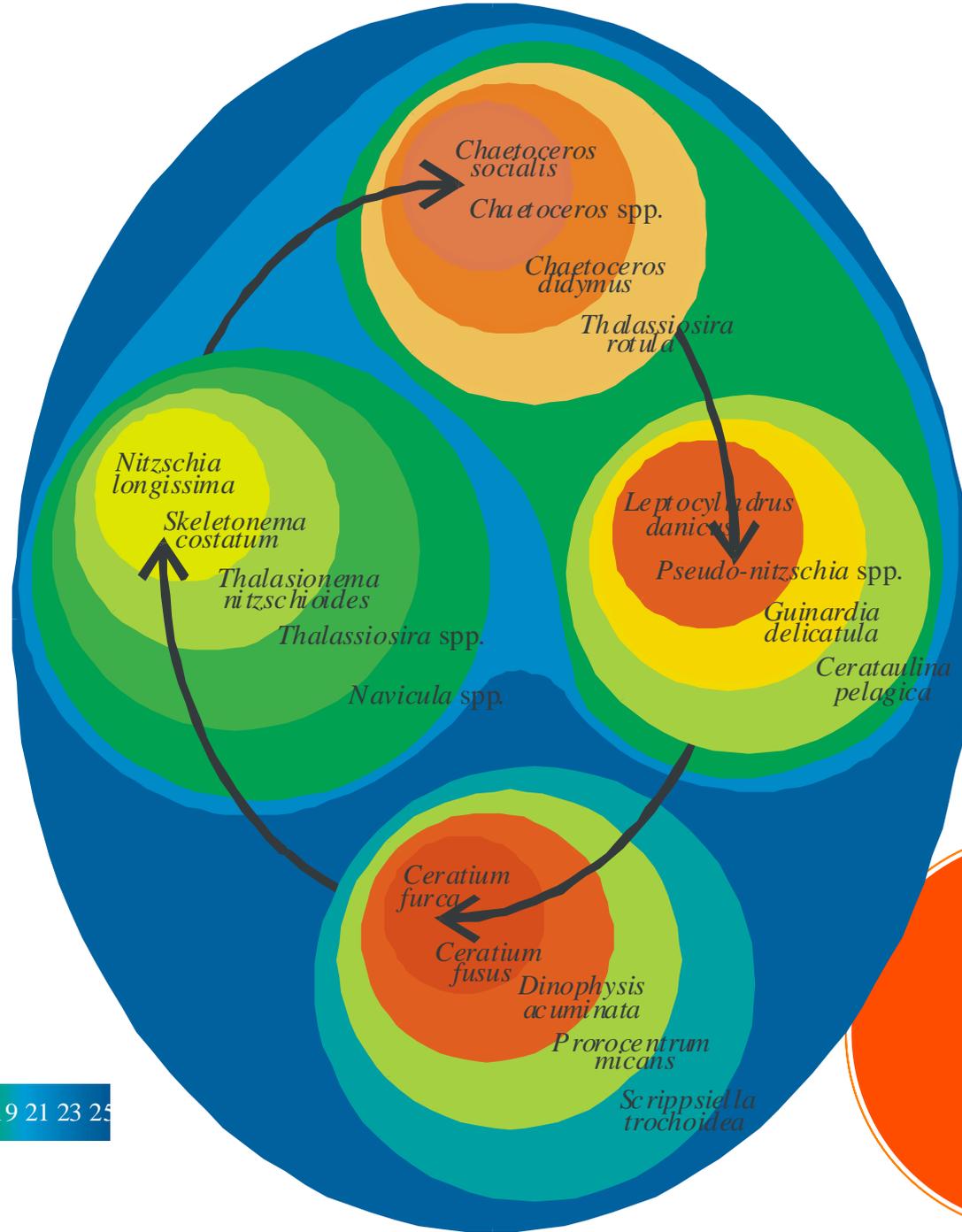
A second cluster associated all the remainder species, that is all the diatoms. Inside of this second cluster there are three clusters.

One of those clusters comprised diatom species, with setae and chain, or colony formers: *Chaetoceros sociale*, *Chaetoceros* spp., *Chaetoceros didymus* and *Thalassiosira rotula*.

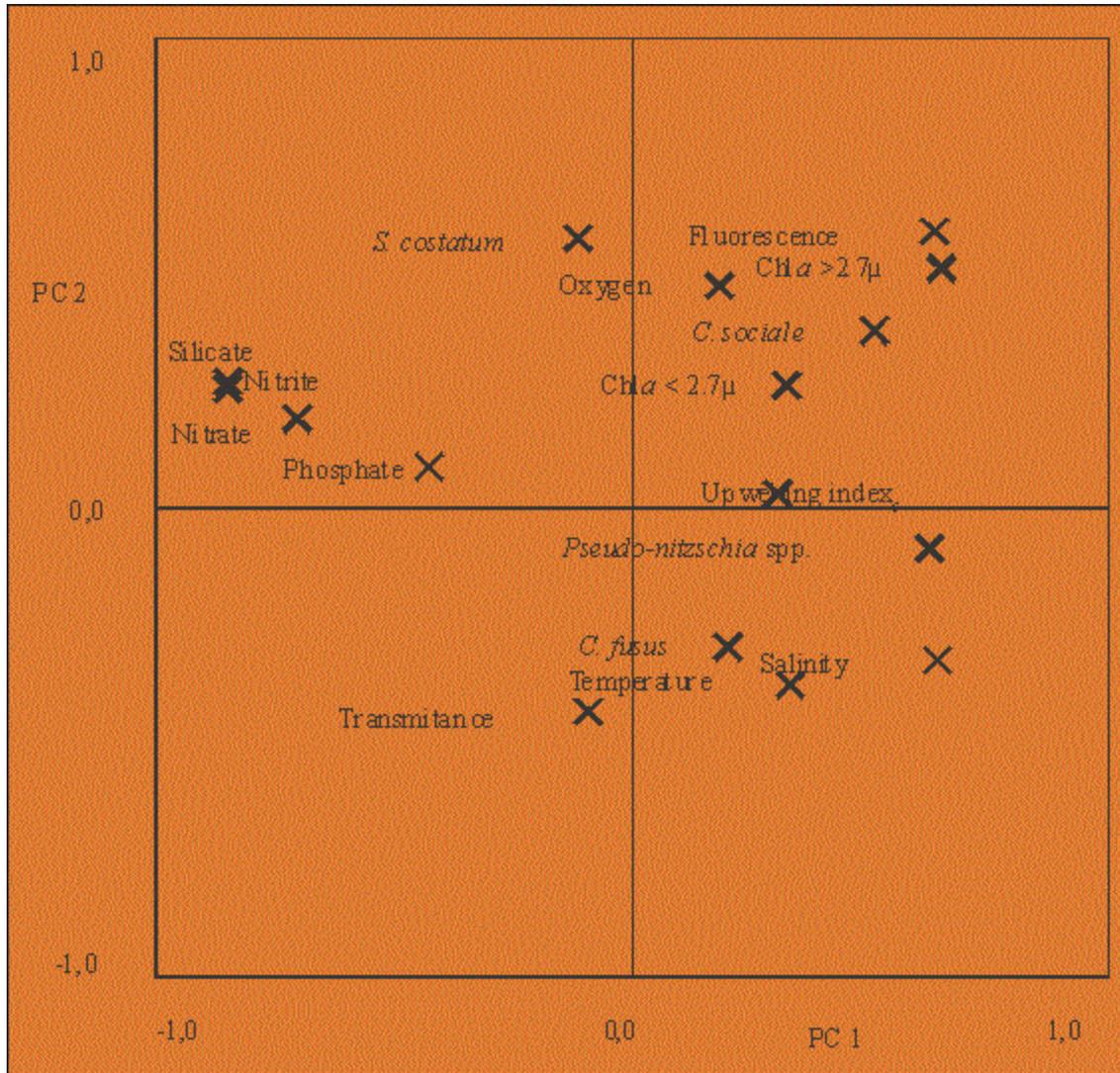
The diatom species that form long chains as *Pseudo-nitzschia* spp., *Leptocylindrus danicus*, *Guinardia delicatula* and *Cerataulina pelagica* are included in another cluster.

To the last cluster, were associated small diatom species: *Nitzschia longissima*, *Skeletonema costatum*, *Thalassionema nitzschioides*, small *Thalassiosira* spp. and small *Navicula* sp.



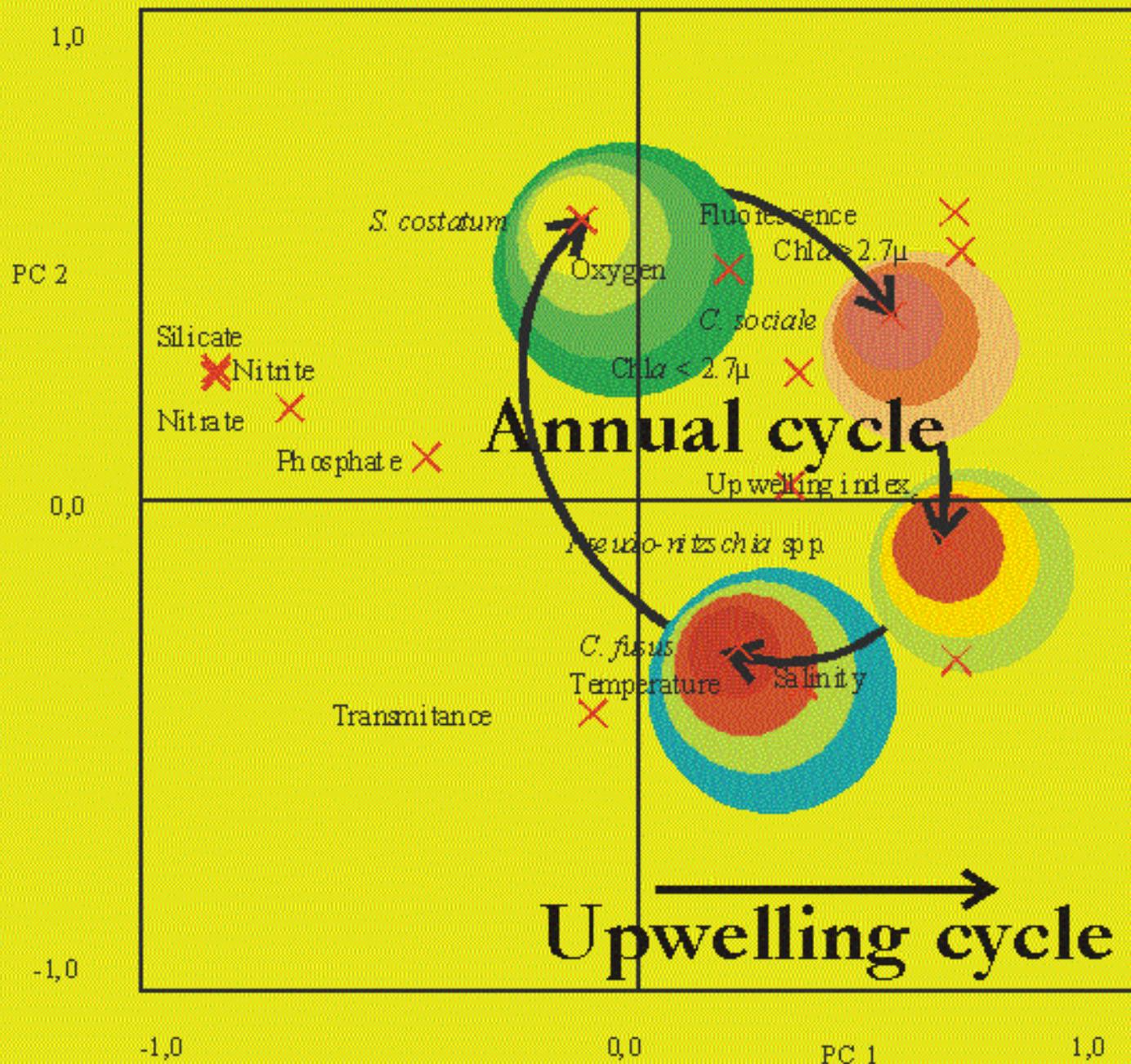


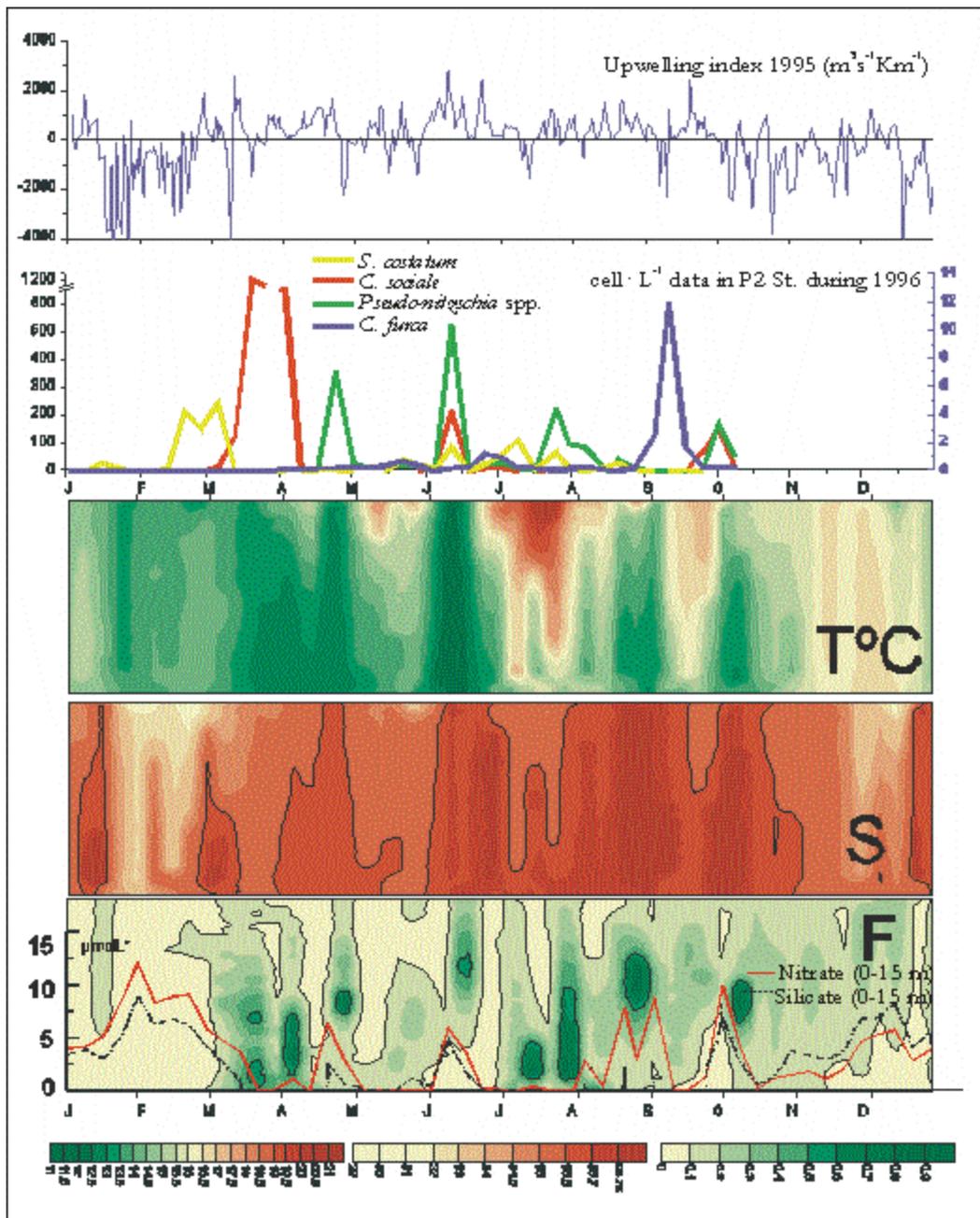
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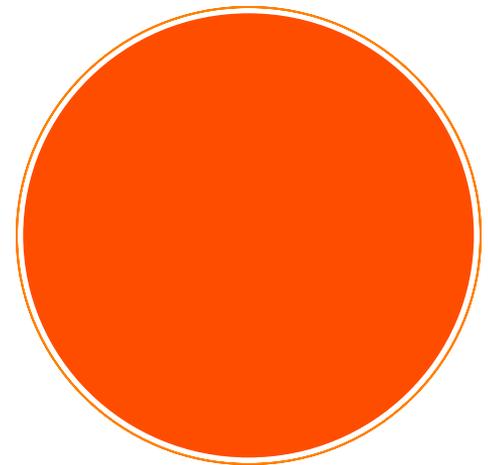
A principal component analysis (PCA) was carried out, including: upwelling index calculated from geostrophic winds (average of previous five days to sampling date); temperature, salinity, transmittance, fluorescence, oxygen from CTD measurements; nutrient salts (silicates, nitrates, nitrites, phosphates, ammonium) obtained by colorimetry; chlorophyll a by spectrofluorimetry (fractions higher and lower of $2.7 \mu\text{m}$) and cellular concentration of phytoplankton species extracted of the previous cluster analyses. This PCA led to the extraction of two components with ecological significance: a first component that explained a 29 % of variance and a second component that explained a 14 % of the total variance. .

The first component of PCA is related to upwelling, primary production and decrease of nutrients. The second component showed a gradation in loadings from winter to autumn, and then associated to the annual cycle. Both components led to identify an annual cycle of species succession in winter, spring, summer and autumn to which are superimposed the following cycles: upwelling, upwelling relaxation and winter mixing.



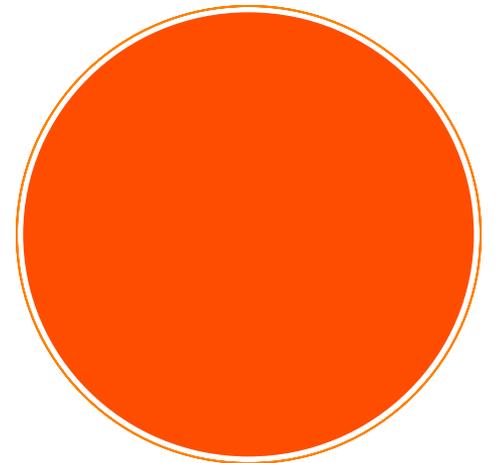


It is possible to see an example of this theory in the data obtained in P2 station throughout 1995.



The cellular shape of species of each cluster are related to with the oceanographic conditions inside the succession cycle.

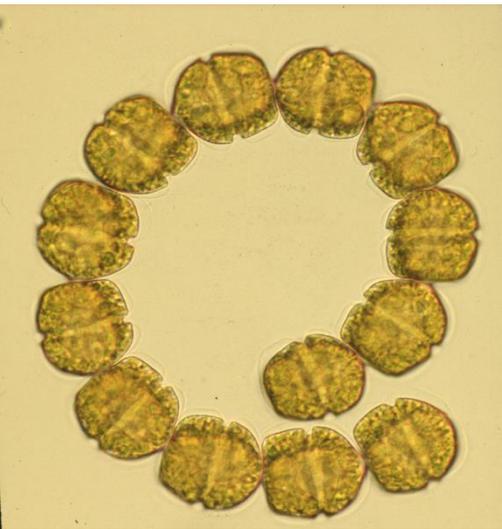
The dinoflagellates of rounded forms (including the diarrhetic species *Dinophysis acuminata*) appear in summer and relaxation of upwelling, small diatoms are present in winter mixing situation adapted to turbulence, the setae of the spring diatoms are related to higher surface volume ratio to prevent sinking and finally the elongated chain-forming diatoms (including potentially amnesic species of the genus *Pseudo-nitzschia*) are related to strong upwelling in summer.



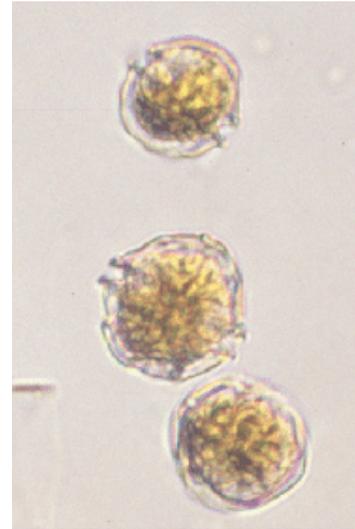
Paralizantes (PSP)

La acumulación de toxinas paralizantes en los moluscos de las Rías Galegas es debida sobre todo a dos especies: *Gymnodinium catenatum* y *Alexandrium minutum*. A pesar de su gravedad en los últimos años estos episodios fueron muy escasos en Galicia.

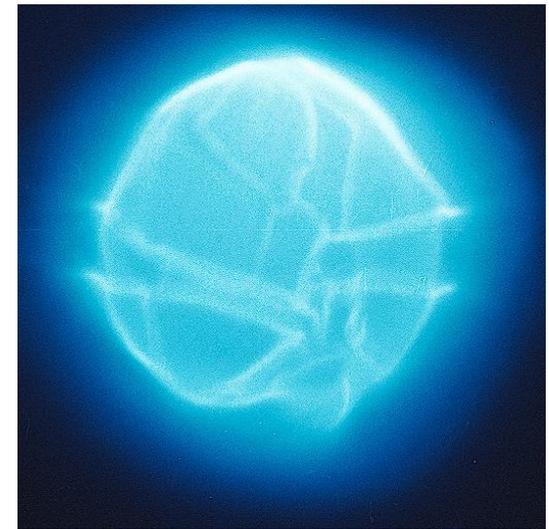
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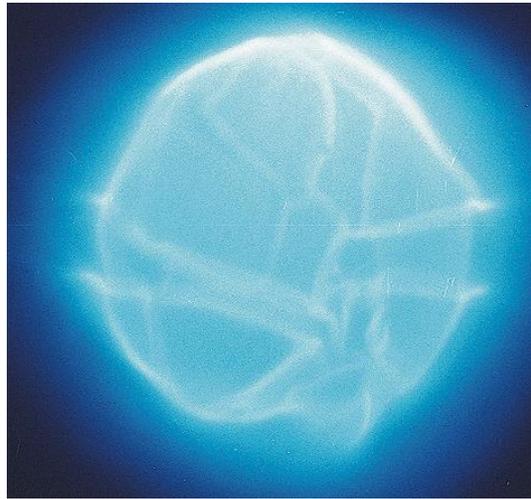
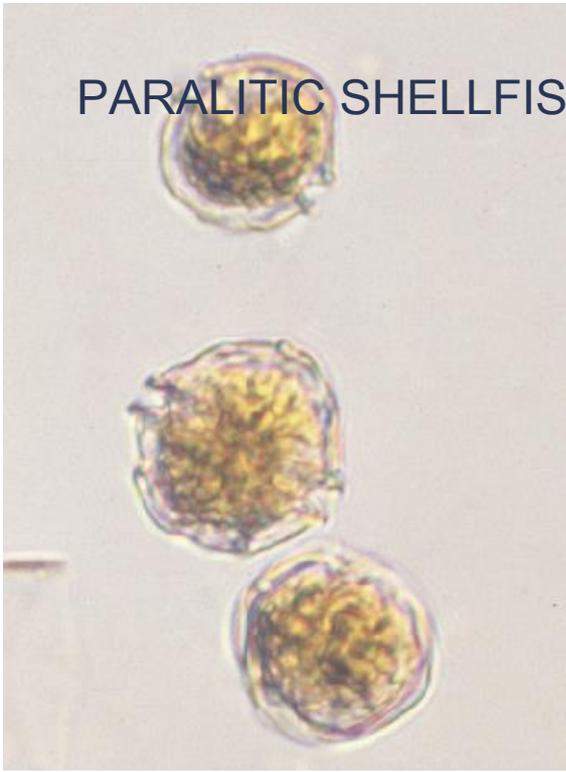
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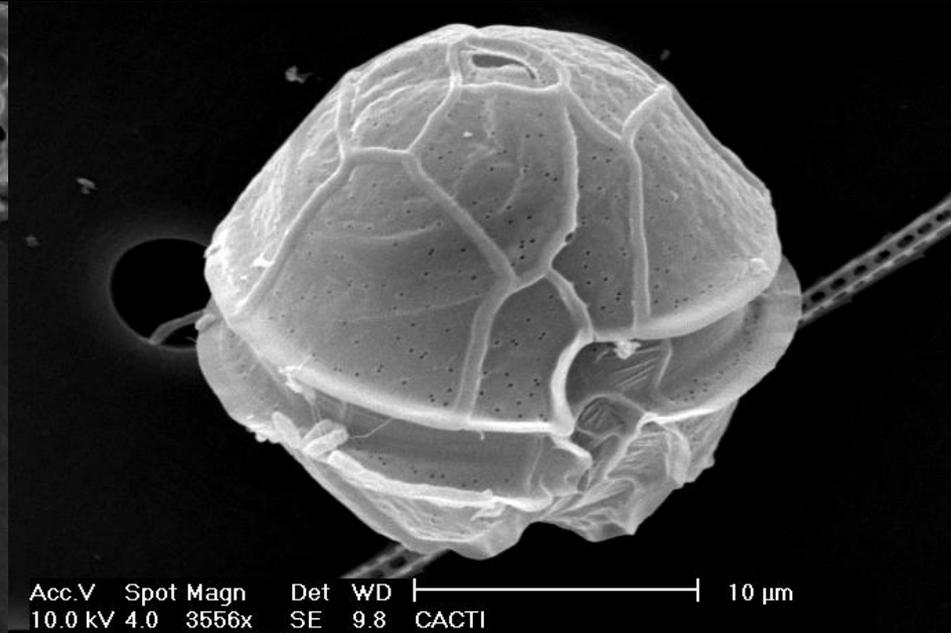
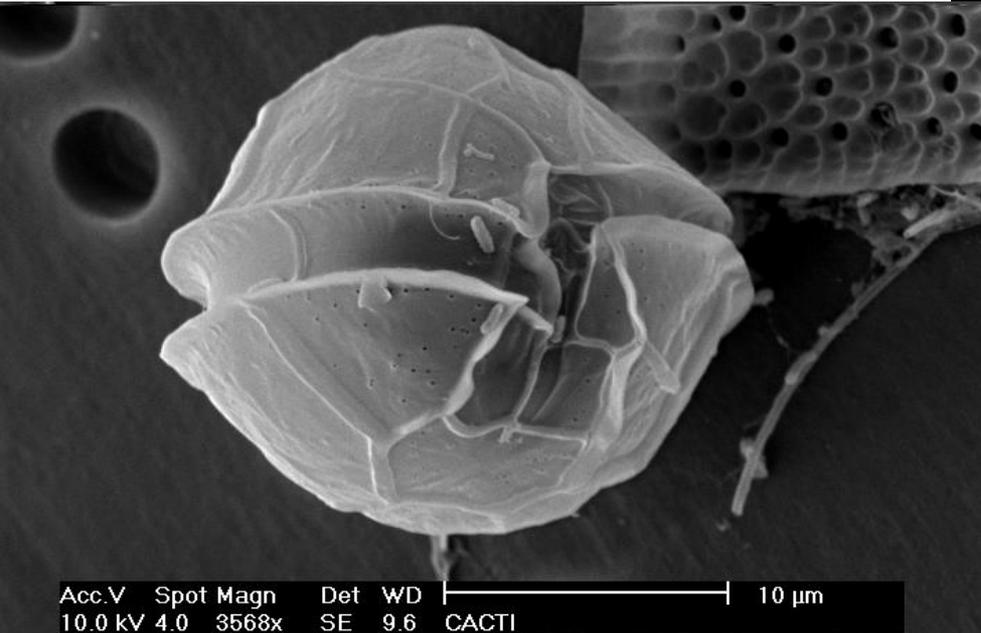
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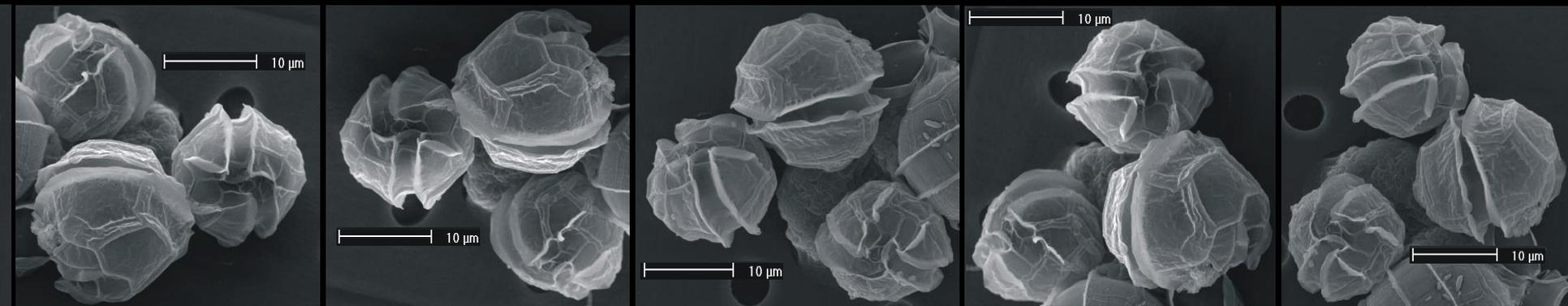
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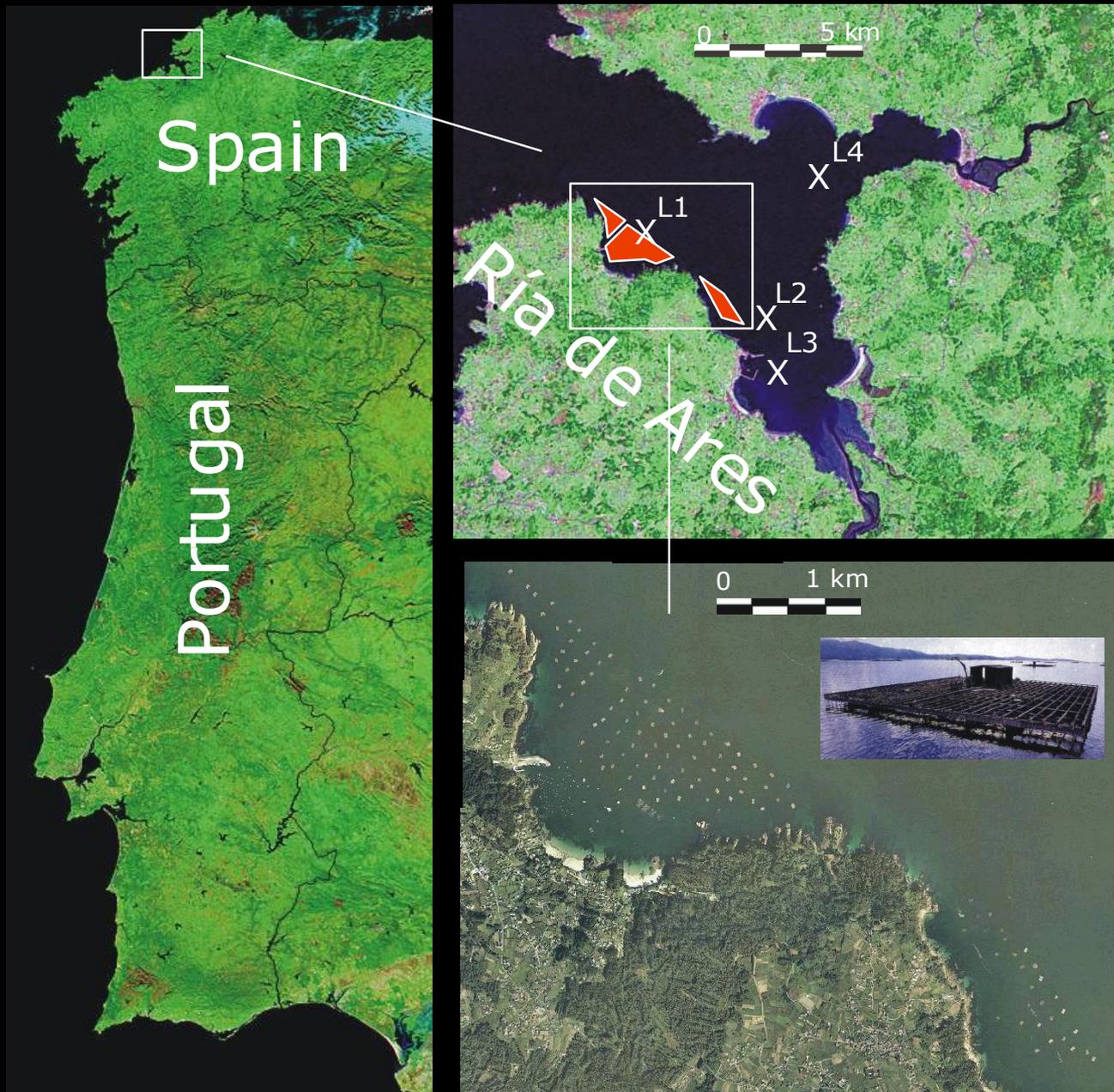


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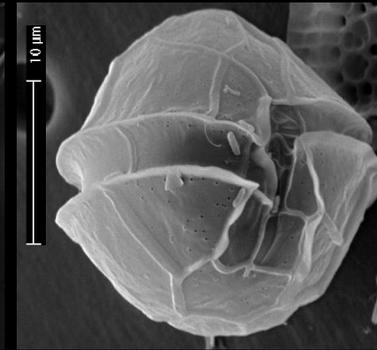
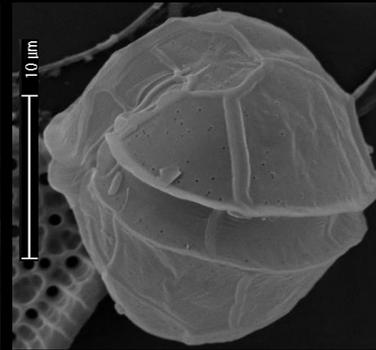
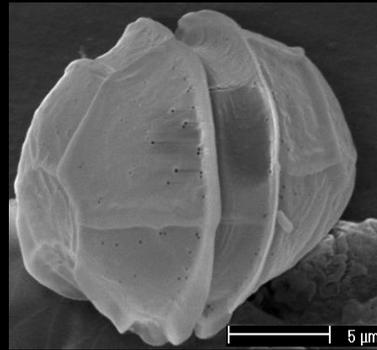
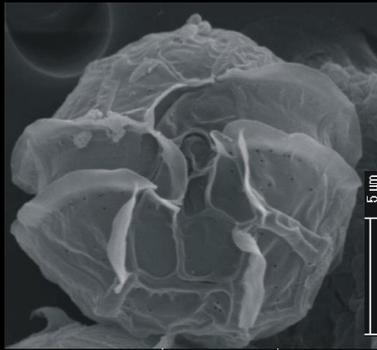
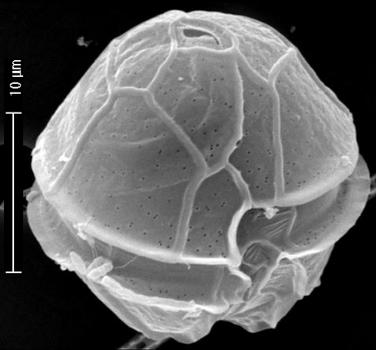
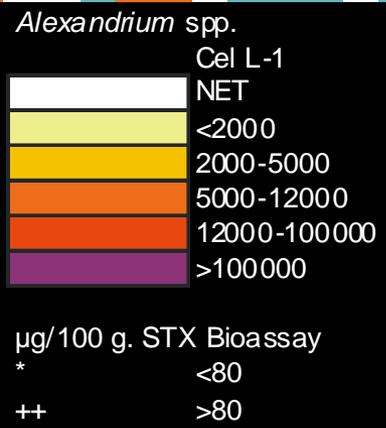
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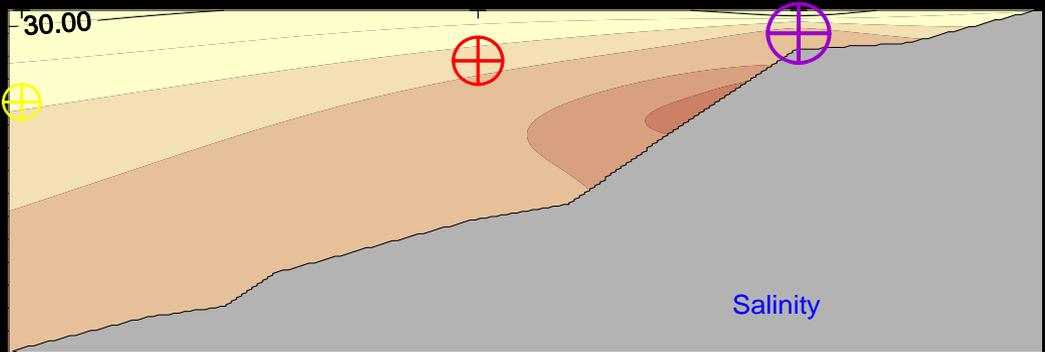
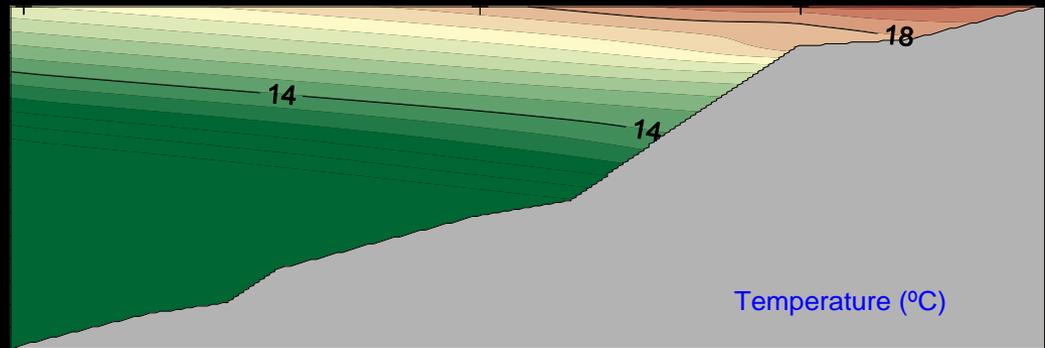
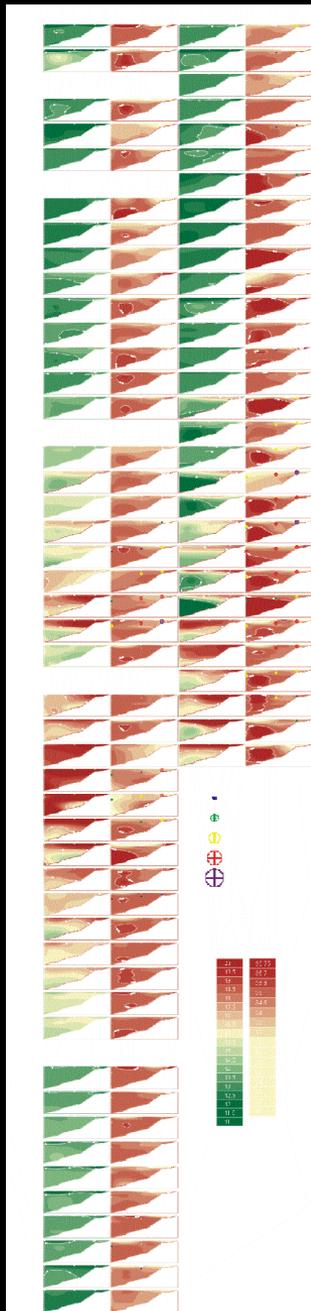
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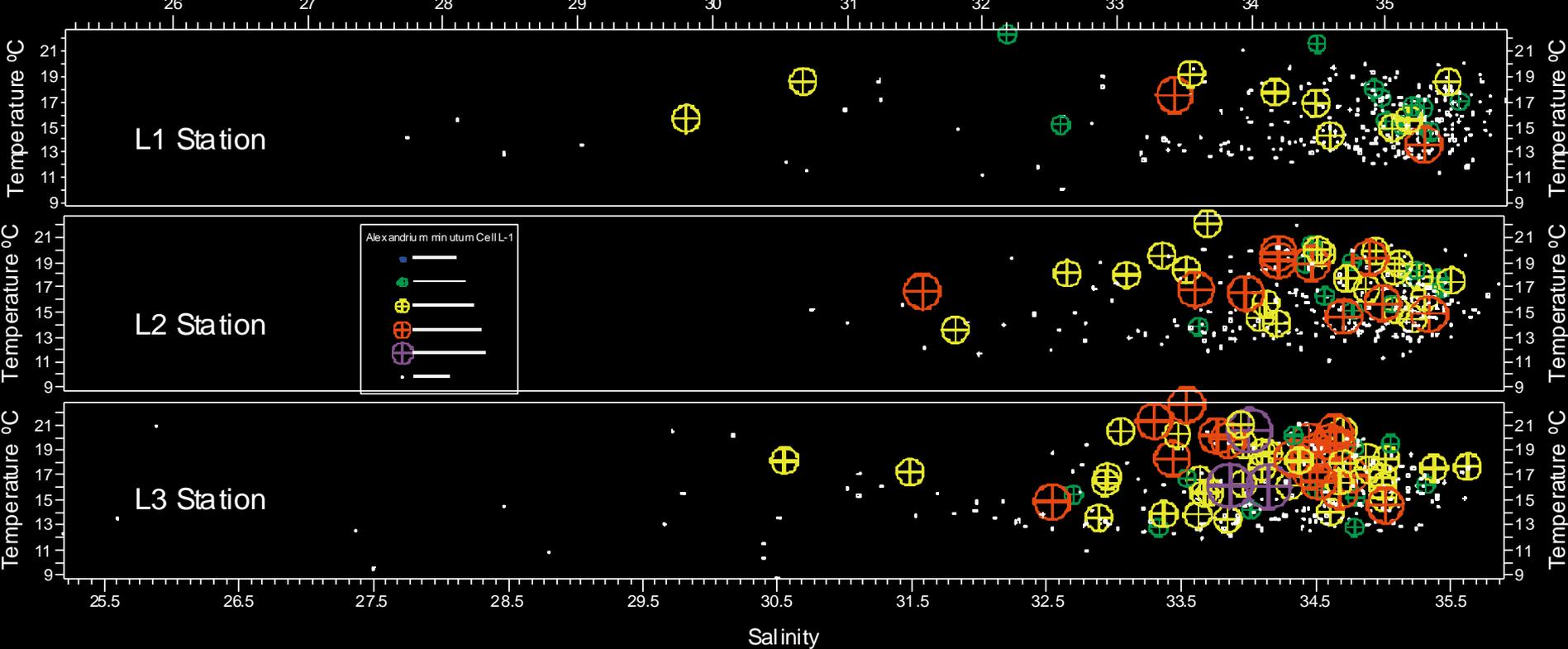


Distribution of mussel rafts production areas and position of oceanographic stations in the Ría de Ares





The intensive analysis from three sampling points, located along the river-ocean axis, allow to conclude that the *A. minutum* populations develop by *in situ* grow in the inner part of the Ría with a dilution effect oceanwards.

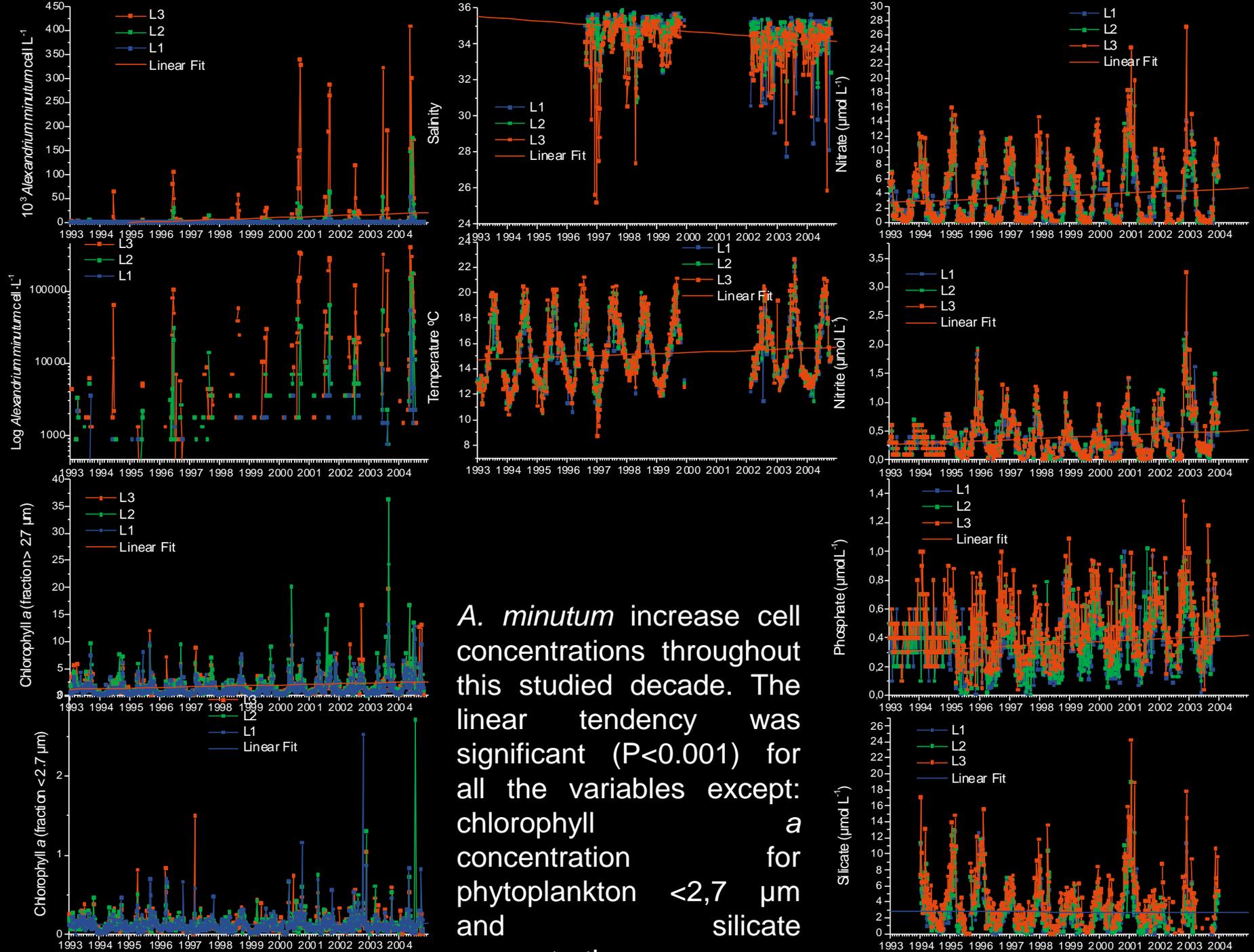


T/S diagrams allow to conclude that it's a brackish water organism.

A. minutum displays the higher cellular concentrations in a range of salinity of 33,5 and 35,0 and practically it doesn't appear with values higher than 35,5 and lower than 29.

Regarding temperature, the favourable range is wide, between 13,5 and 20°C. *A. minutum* doesn't appear related to upwelled waters.

It is also possible to observe that the inner station is the most affected by populations of *A. minutum* in agreement with its most brackish character.



A. minutum increase cell concentrations throughout this studied decade. The linear tendency was significant ($P < 0.001$) for all the variables except: chlorophyll *a* concentration for phytoplankton < 2,7 μm and silicate concentrations.

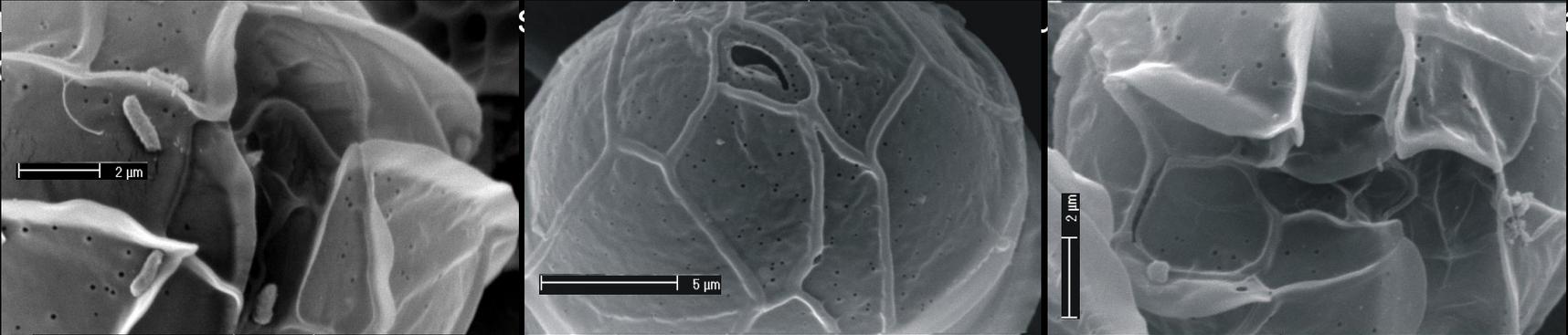
An apparent increase in toxic harmful algal blooms is detected by a weekly oceanographic conditions and phytoplankton monitoring, carried out since 1992, in Ría de Ares (NW Spain).

The small thecate dinoflagellate *Alexandrium minutum* Halim is the causative species of PSP toxins accumulation by rafts mussels and other molluscs cultivated in the area. PST detection was always predicted by previous detection of *A. minutum* cells in seawater.

The intensive analysis from three sampling points, located along the river-ocean axis, allow to conclude that the *A. minutum* populations develop by *in situ* grow in the inner part of the Ría with a dilution effect oceanwards.

Annual distribution shows a seasonal component with maximum cell around $1 \cdot 10^5$ cell L^{-1} in June. Blooms of this species are detected in September (max. $3 \cdot 10^5$ cell L^{-1}) in the inner part of the Ría associated to an oceanographic front, in downwelling situations with blocking of estuarine circulation.

A temporal trend to increase was observed for *A. minutum*, nitrates, nitrites and



Early detection and intensive monitoring during an unusual toxic bloom of *Gymnodinium catenatum* advected into the Galician Rías (NW, Spain)

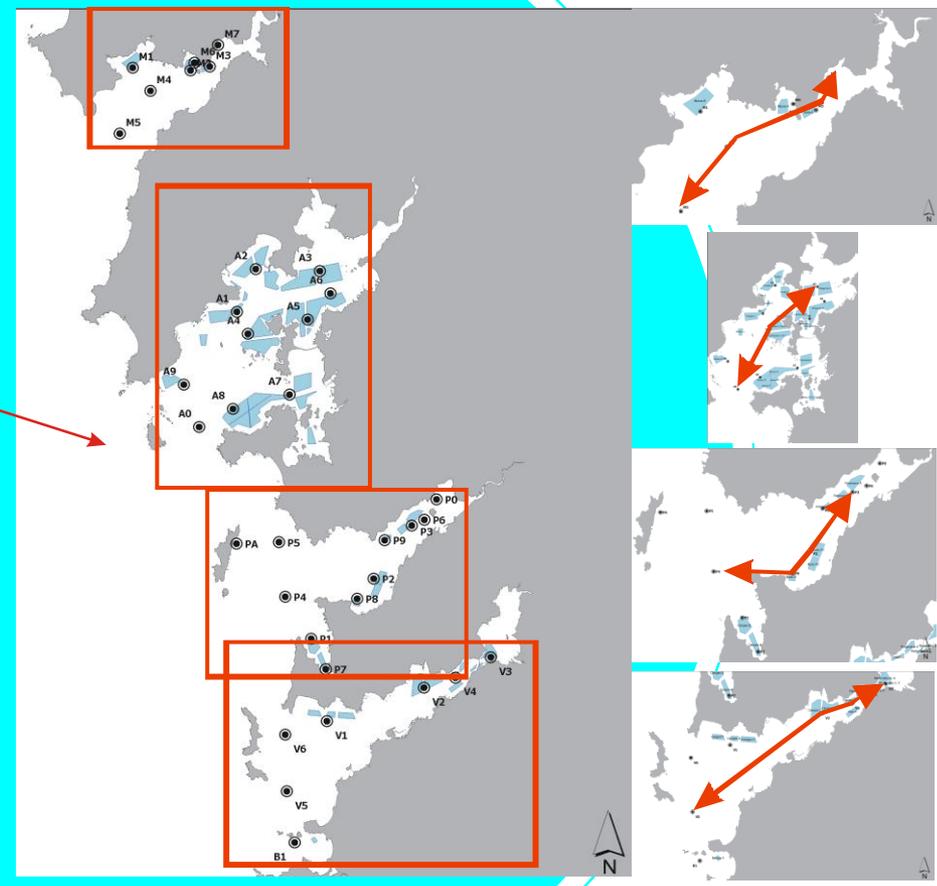
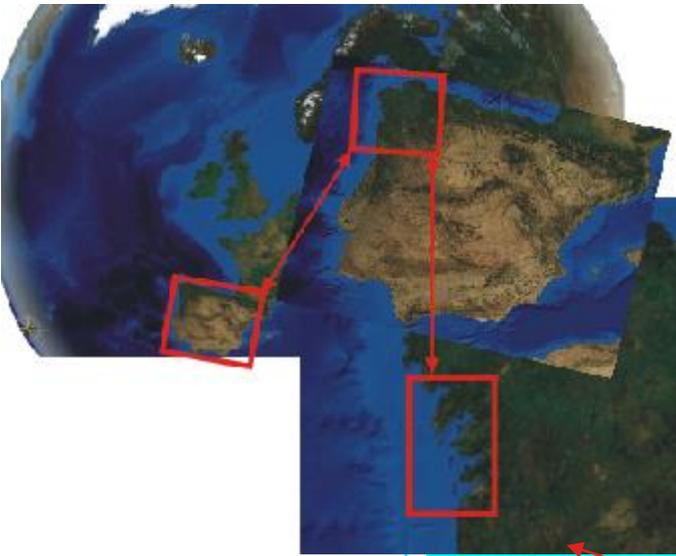
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Location of oceanographic stations, weekly monitored by INTECMAR in the Galician Rías, since 1992. Blue polygons represents the position of the raft mussel culture areas.

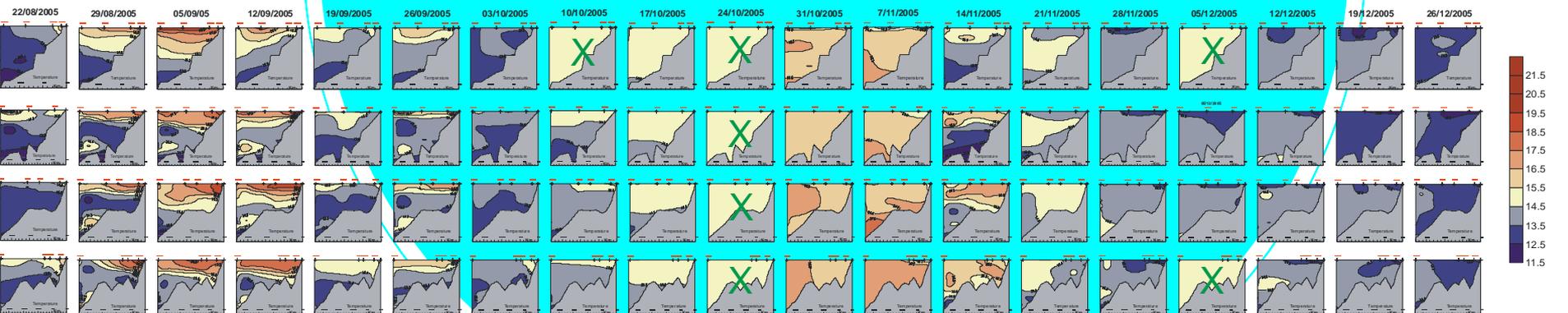
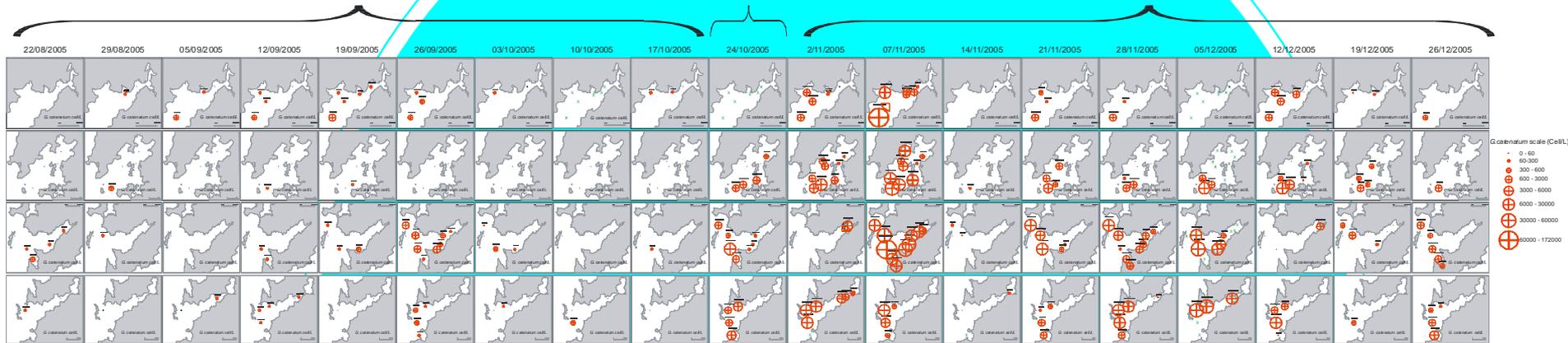


All the mussel production areas were closed due to PSP until spring 2006.
 The ban caused serious economic losses but no human intoxications were reported.

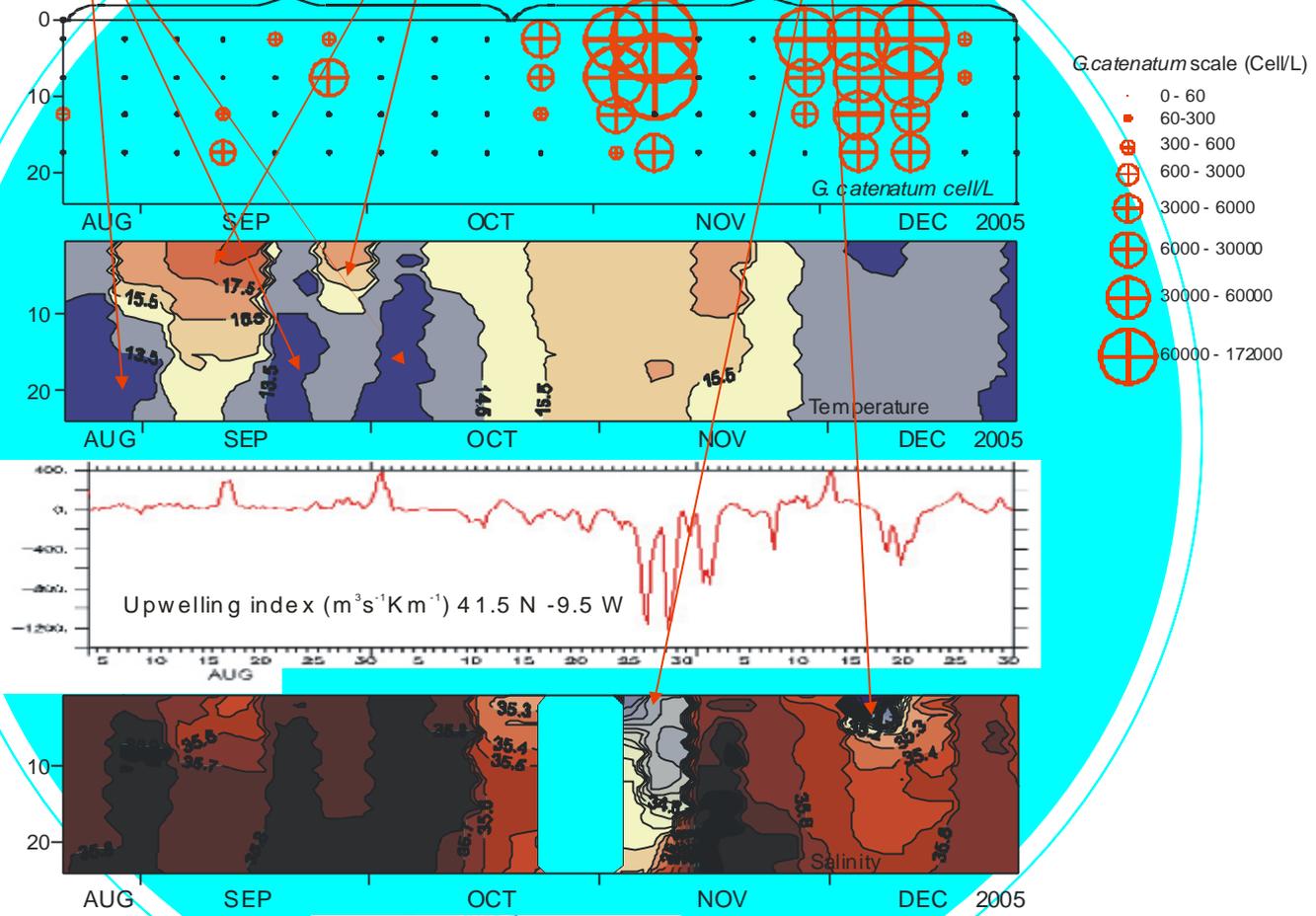
In situ growth of *Gymnodinium catenatum* population. Upwelling exported cells offshore from the Rías. Upwelling relaxation induced cell accumulation inside the Rías.

Downwelling introduced *Gymnodinium catenatum* bloom into the Rías below the surface layer. Water column temperature and salinity show clearly the position of these surface ocean waters.

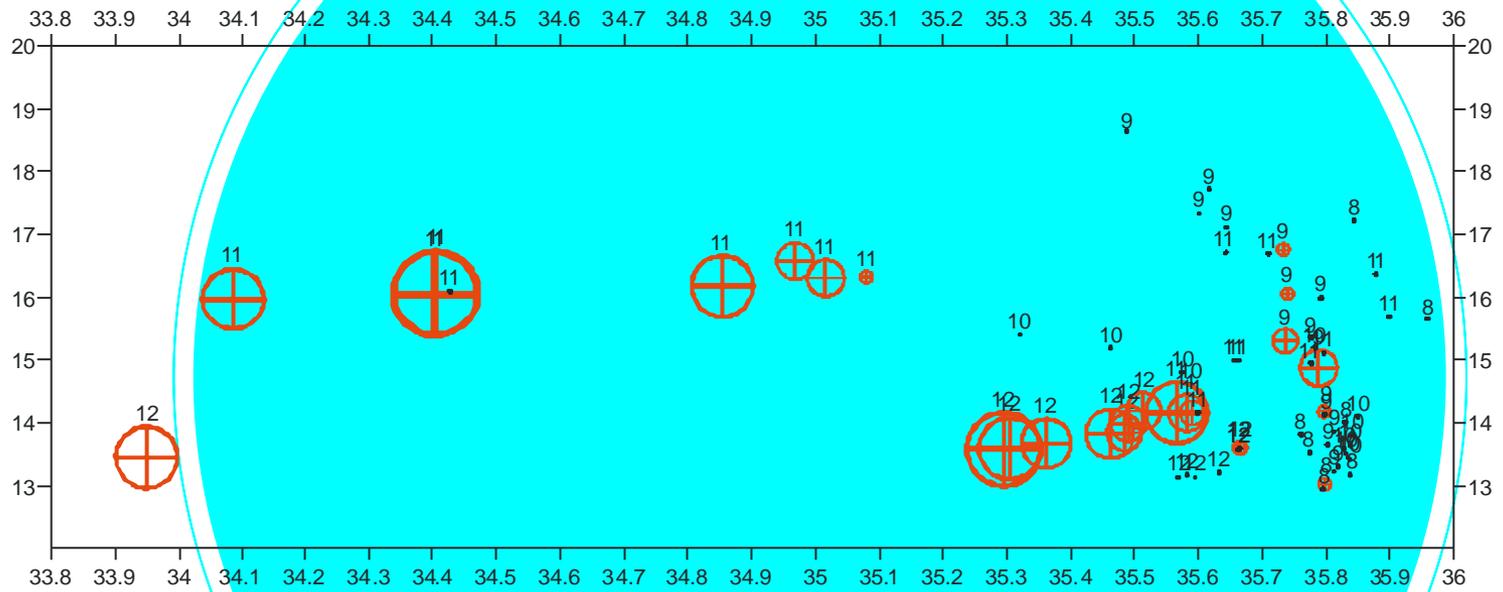
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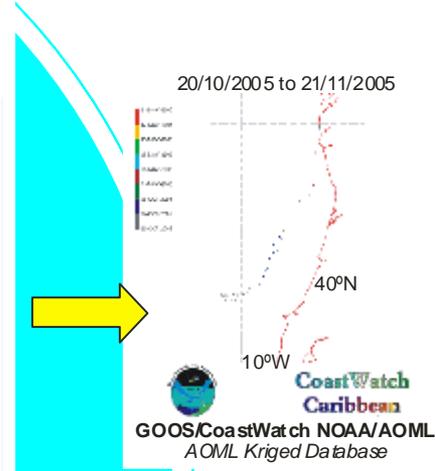
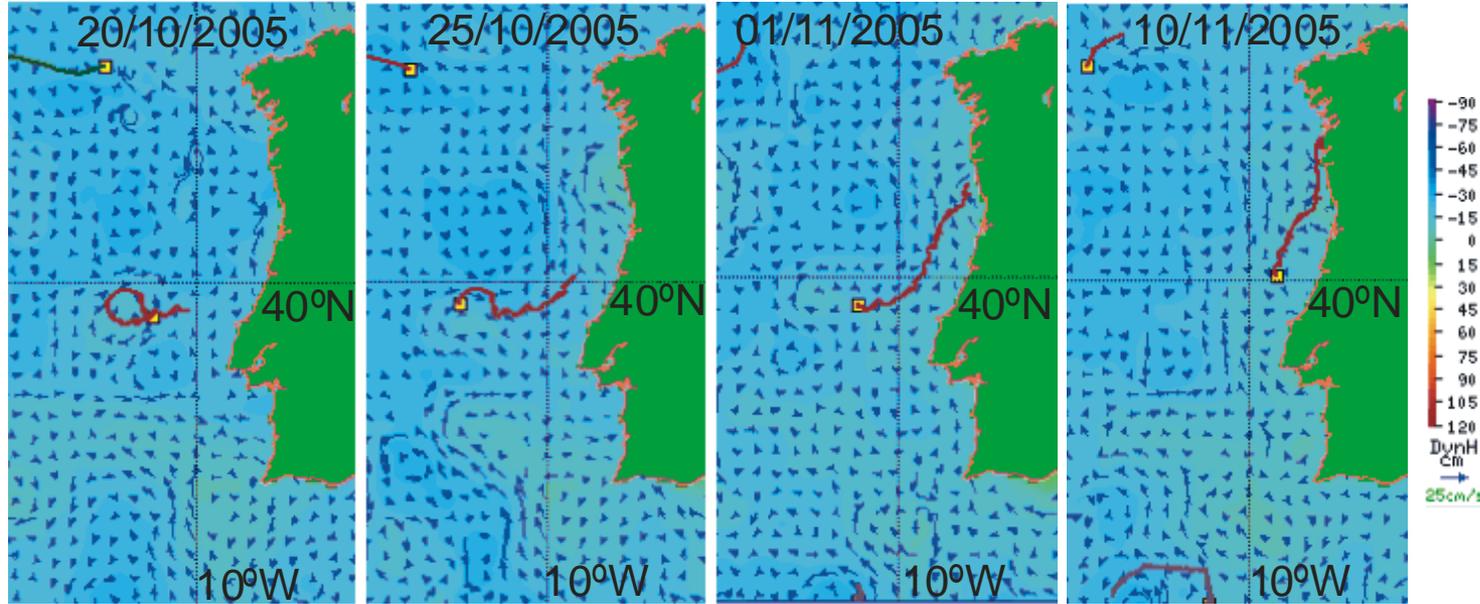
Vertical distribution of *G. catenatum*, temperature, upwelling index, and salinity in P2 station.



T-S diagram and *G. catenatum* cell concentration in P2 station. Numbers indicate the month.



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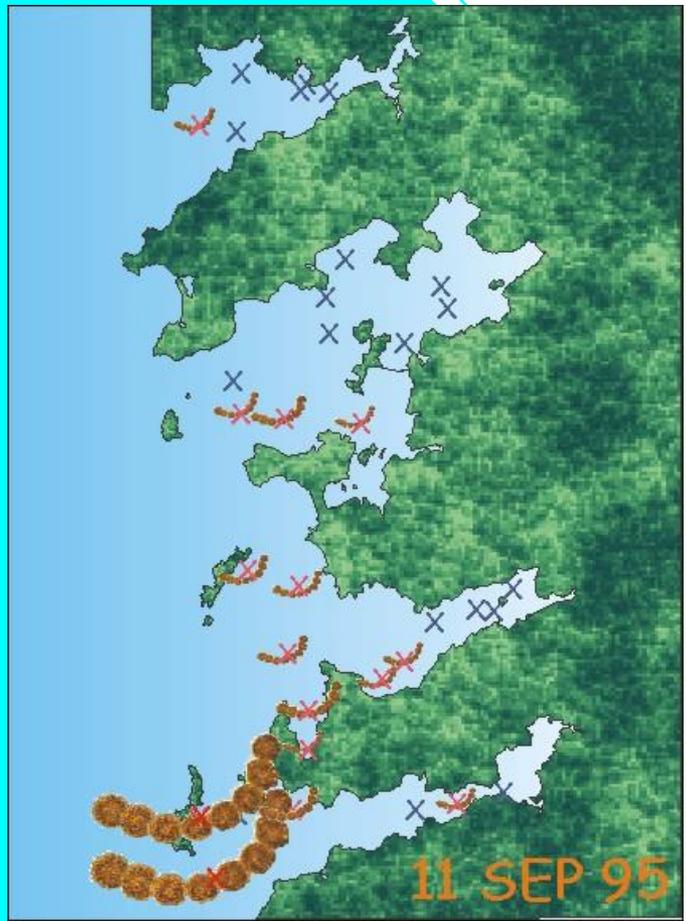
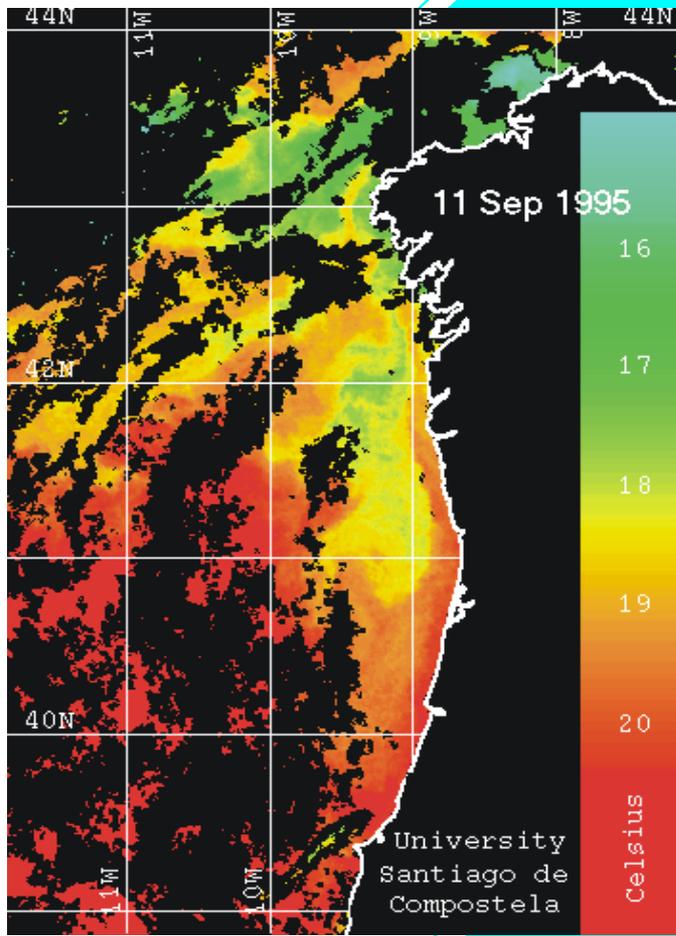
Cooperation between Galician and Portuguese monitoring programs allowed an early alert of a *Gymnodinium catenatum* bloom in the Galician Rías a month before the PSP toxins accumulation in mussels.

This intense and persistent episode caused bans on mussel culture areas (average production $>2 \cdot 10^5$ Tons \cdot y $^{-1}$) until mid February, having an important social and economic impact.

From the near real-time sea surface temperature fields, it was inferred that a northward coastal current was present during this period.

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