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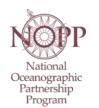
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Huge investments have gone into ocean observing systems — But there is no systematic effort to observe life in the sea

MBON Goal: Enable the effort to characterize how marine biodiversity is changing and how it affects us



# The NOPP Sanctuaries MBON Pilot: Primary Goals of Cooperative Agreement



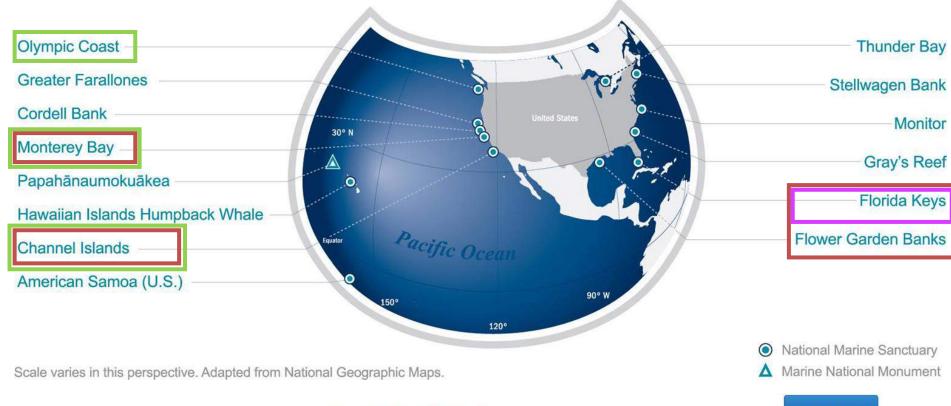
- Integrate, synthesize, augment biodiversity information from ongoing programs
- Develop technologies for biodiversity assessments through:
  - Emerging environmental DNA (eDNA) molecular methods and autonomous sample collection;
  - Application of remote sensing to evaluate biogeographic Seascapes
- Bring biodiversity and environmental data together and serve it using international standards
- Use advanced analyses to link the mean and fluctuating components of biodiversity and ecosystem function to environmental conditions
- Relate information to social-economic context and provide information rapidly to stakeholders
- Seek to do this as an operational system
- Work with other US MBON demonstration projects to develop network concept
- Export the MBON concept globally



# Addressing User Needs

Sanctuary sites engaged with California Current IEA, MBON demonstration projects and Gulf of Mexico IEA

### NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY SYSTEM



Collaboration of IEA with





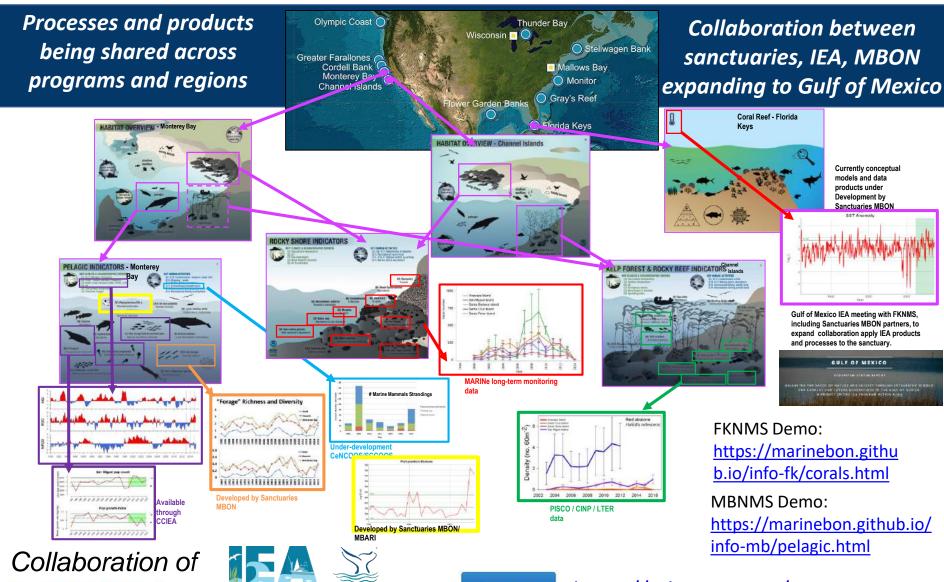
### The NOPP Sanctuaries MBON Pilot: Integration of information



- Multiple, multi-agency, international satellite and in situ datasets
- State data sets
  - GCOOS (FL, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas)
  - CenCOOS (CA)
- Augmented Monterey Bay Time series (eDNA)
- Augmented the South Florida Program (eDNA, plankton)
- NOAA/State Fisheries and Reef surveys
  - Reef Visual Surveys, Rockfish Recruitment & Ecol Assessment, Coral Reef
  - Physical and chemical oceanographic data
- Beach Strandings data
- Many different environmental data
- Contributed to developing the MBON Portal (IOOS) and open source information tools



## Addressing Sanctuary Needs: data tools



U.S. MBON PORTAL

Marine Biodiversity Observation Network

https://mbon.ioos.us/

Inventories and "Curated data views"!







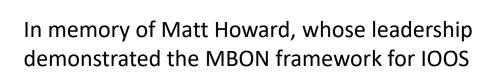
# NAS

### **Outcomes in Information Management:**

- Established a framework for operational biological observations, data management, communications
  - Biodiversity Information Standards (TDWG; old Taxonomic Databases WG)
  - Darwin Core / Event Core: data standard; Publish/Harvest data: ERDDAP
- Framework has been adopted by US IOOS RAs, and broadly discussed at NOAA (NMFS, NCEI), DataOne, USGS







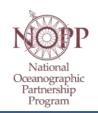




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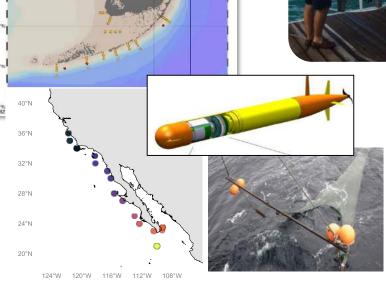
### Active Biodiversity Field Programs

Gulf of Mexico / South Florida, Northern Gulf Monterey Bay / Southern California Sampling Sanctuaries with big and small boats,

and automated devices (AUVs, etc.)









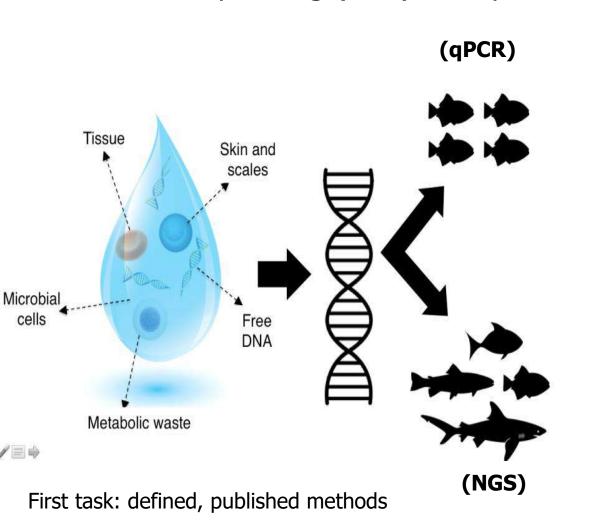


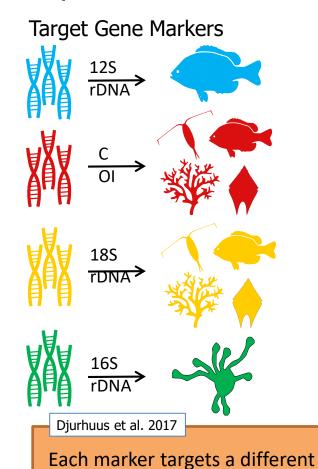
Over 45 expeditions in each FL Keys & MB



# Marine environmental DNA (MBON)

A cheaper, less invasive and larger scale strategy to monitor species diversity – two approaches: next generation sequencing (NGS) and species specific primers





group of organisms.

# eDNA summary statistics

### Monterey Bay (2013-2019)

- >50 cruises
- Samples collected: >1500

### Santa Barbara (2015-2017)

• 11 Diver surveys

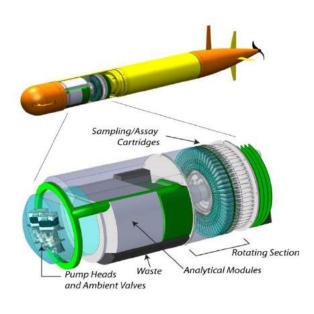


### **AUV (2015-2018)**

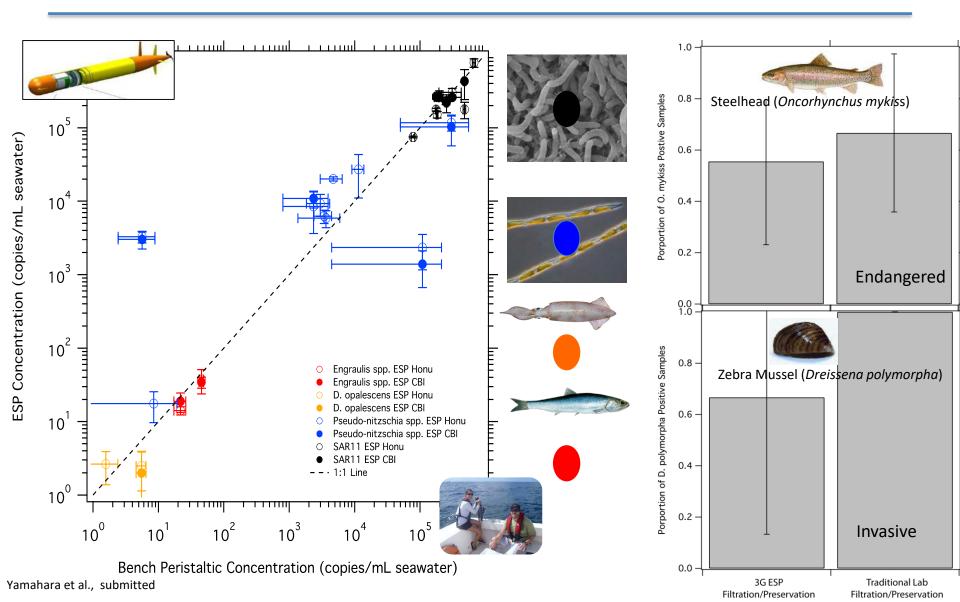
- 26 missions
- Autonomous eDNA samples collected: 366
  - Sequenced for 18S: 5
  - Sequenced for COI: 19

### Florida Keys (2015-2019)

- >20 cruises
- Samples collected: >1300



# ESP vs Traditional Laboratory Methods





Static+3D



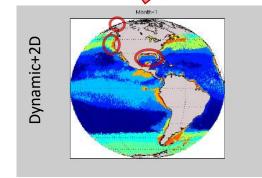
# Satellite-derived Seascapes

Kavanaugh (OSU), Doney (UVa), Grebmeier (UMCES), Wright (ESRI), Otis, Montes, Djurhuus, Muller-Karger (USF)

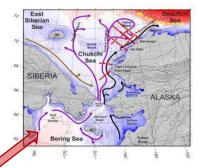
### **Global classification**



**Ecological Marine Units** 

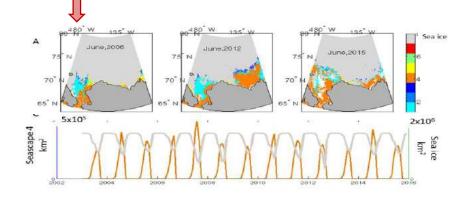


### **Regional downscaling**

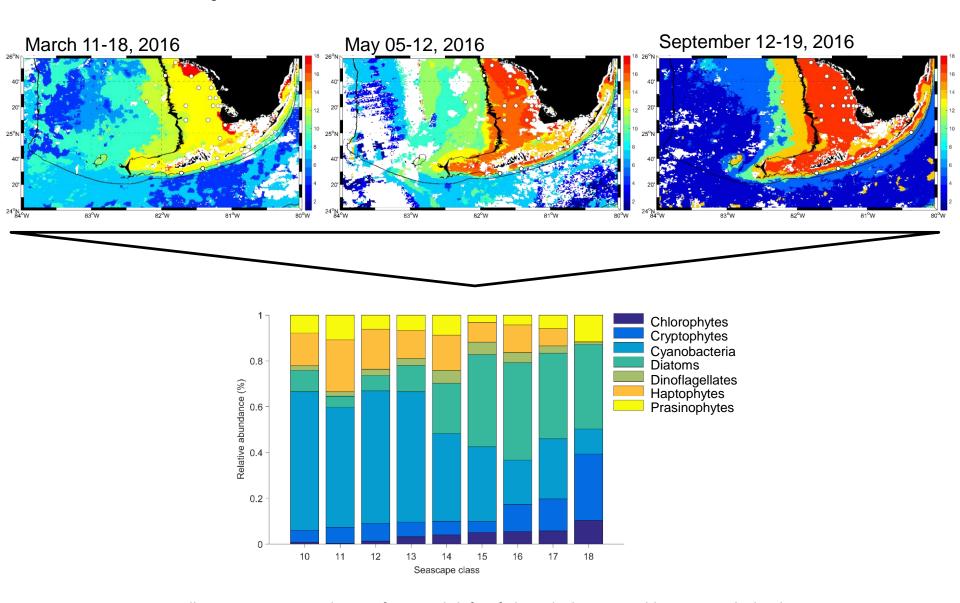


Arctic MBON: Distributed Biological Observatory

- Regional to global classification of dynamic seascapes
- EMU intercalibration (R. Sayre/USGS, D Wright/Esri)
- Case Studies: Arctic, West Coast, Florida
- Habitat –species relationships
- Operational multiscale products: collaboration with NOAA NESDIS (P DiGiacomo, J Trinanes, G Goni)



# Seascape validation in south Florida



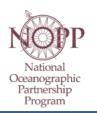
*In prep*: Dynamic satellite seascapes as predictors of seasonal shifts of phytoplankton assemblages in south Florida waters. Enrique Montes, Anni Djurhuus, Christopher R. Kelble, Daniel Otis, Frank E. Muller-Karger, and Maria T. Kavanaugh



## The NOPP Sanctuaries MBON Pilot: <u>Primary Goals of Cooperative Agreement</u>

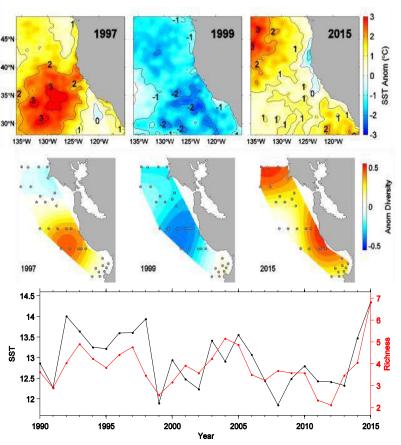


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# Ocean climate and biodiversity of pelagic fish (forage species)

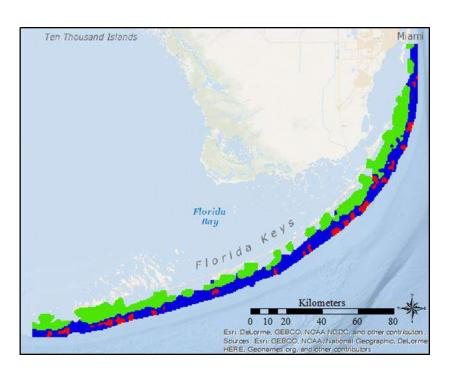
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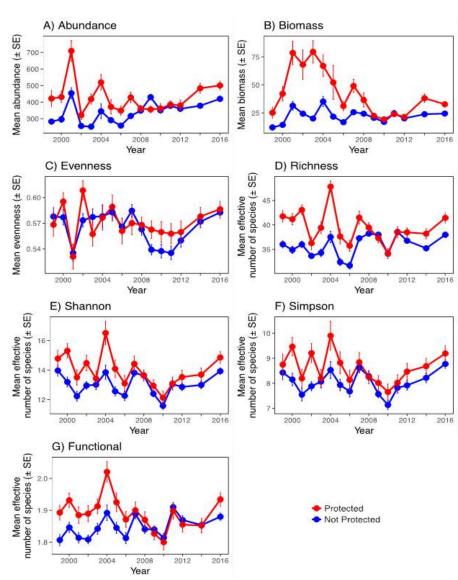
- •1995-97 and 2015 heat waves (ENSO) show high diversity.
- Affects fisheries and coastal water quality.



# Reef Fish Biodiversity by No-Take Marine Zones and Habitat Strata in the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary: 1999 – 2016



Protected (no-take) areas have higher biomass and diversity



Megan Hepner et al (thesis and paper in prep)

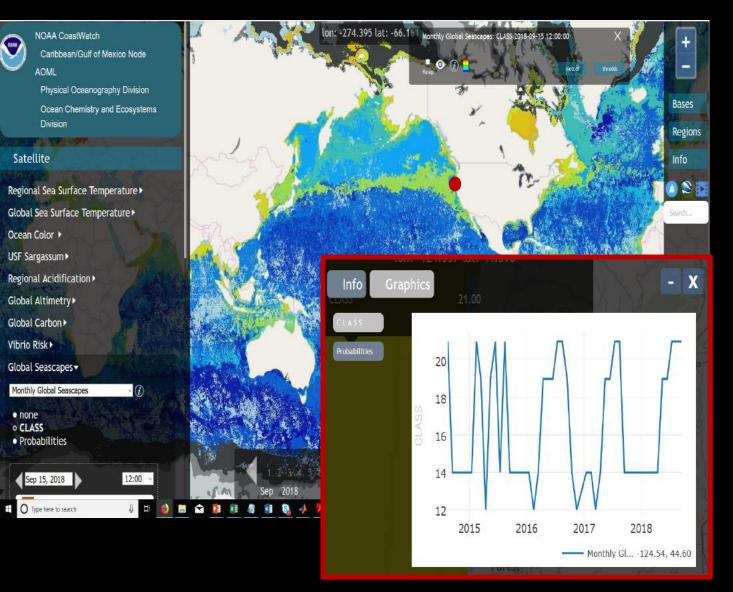
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  - -Strong partnerships have led to operational MBON elements:
    - US IOOS and RA's are fully engaged in MBON pilot program
      - Established a framework for management of biological ocean observations
      - Training in DMAC framework to all IOOS RA's
      - Early warning tool development
    - Dol USGS / US OBIS program
    - NOAA NESDIS: Global Seascapes now served via CoastWatch
    - Integrated Ecosystem Assessment (CA, FL Keys): indicators, infographics, data visualizations; MBON Portal development
    - National Marine Sanctuaries: Condition Reports
    - Worked with NOAA NMFS to develop eDNA srategy
  - -Heavy input to US OSTP ocean policy vision
  - -Exercised / demonstrated autonomous collections

## NOAA CoastWatch: Operational Global Coverage

### Seascape Identity: visualization and analysis



### **EBVs**

Ecosystem Structure Class

- Habitat Structure
- Habitat Extent
- Habitat Function (time dynamics of seascape identity)

Other Classes:
Community
Composition
Ecosystem Structure

## The NOPP Sanctuaries MBON Pilot: Primary Goals of Cooperative Agreement

Export the MBON concept globally

Our Approach:

Networking networking networking



#### OBSERVING LIFE IN THE OCEANS FOR SOCIETAL BENEFIT

(- INFORMATION FLOW -)

## INTERNATIONAL LINKAGES



Global Ocean Observing System



#### **GOOS: ESSENTIAL OCEAN VARIABLES**

Focus on EOVs driven by societal needs

- Global implementation -



Biodiversity Observation Network (BON)



#### **ESSENTIAL BIODIVERSITY VARIABLES**

Focus on EBVs driven by science questions and other user needs (policy, societal)
- National and regional implementation -

#### **MARINE OBSERVATION NETWORK**

National — Regional — Global — Thematic

National Governments — Non Government Organizations — Agencies — Institutions — Citizen Science

#### Data integration and dissemination





+ other national, international data systems

#### OTHER DATA PROVIDERS AND USERS

SUSTAINABLE

- √ National Governments and Organizations
- ✓International Organizations
- ✓ Non Government Organizations
- ✓ Research Institutions
- √ Citizen Scientists



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TMON - MarineGEO









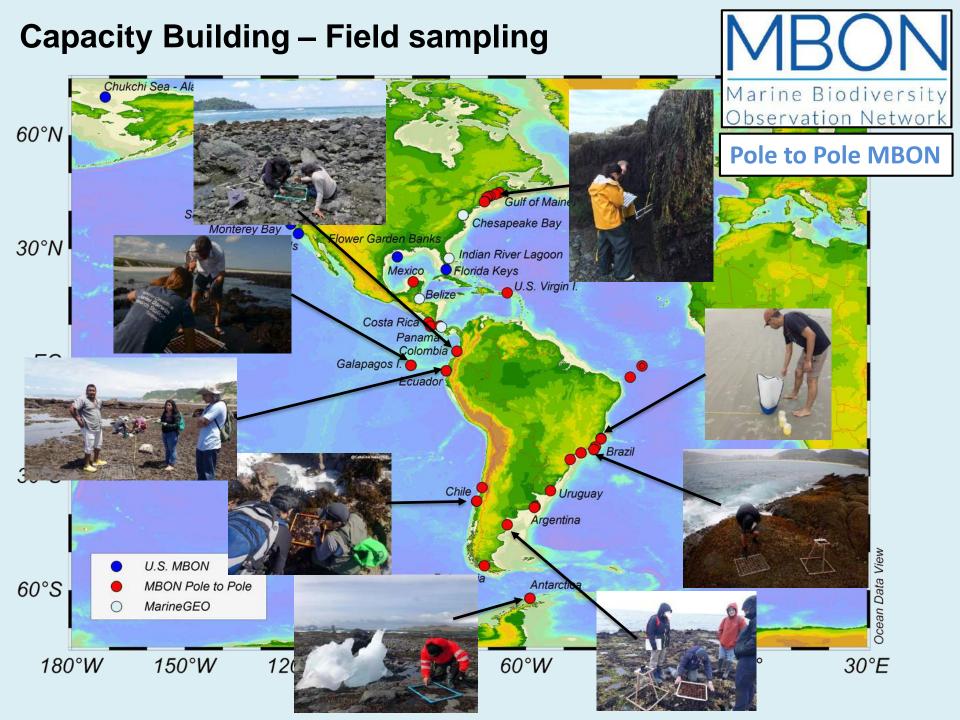














Honolulu, Hawaii







### **Substantial MBON involvement**

In partnership with NSF OceanObs RCN:

- Intellectual sponsor
- Program Committee
- Participation:
  - Speakers and panelists
  - Breakout sessions
- Post OO19 activities planned
  - AGU fall Meeting
    - Ocean Sci. Meeting

http://www.oceanobs19.net/

# SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



**2030 AGENDA** 

# **UN Decade of Ocean Science forSustainable Development (2021-2030)**

Biological Diversity/Aîchi Biodiversity targets (CBD)

Law of the Sea (UNCLOS + BBNJ + UNFSA)

SIDS Action (SAMOA Pathway)

Disaster Risk Reduction SENDAI Framework

Climate Change/Paris Agreement (UNFCCC)

A global framework that will ensure Ocean Science can help governments and societies achieve the major goals of our generation



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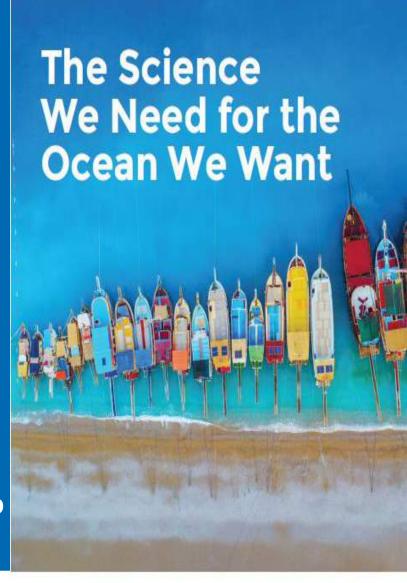




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# Addressing the need for sustained observations of marine ecosystems



