

# Current Applications of BFM: An overview

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# Outline

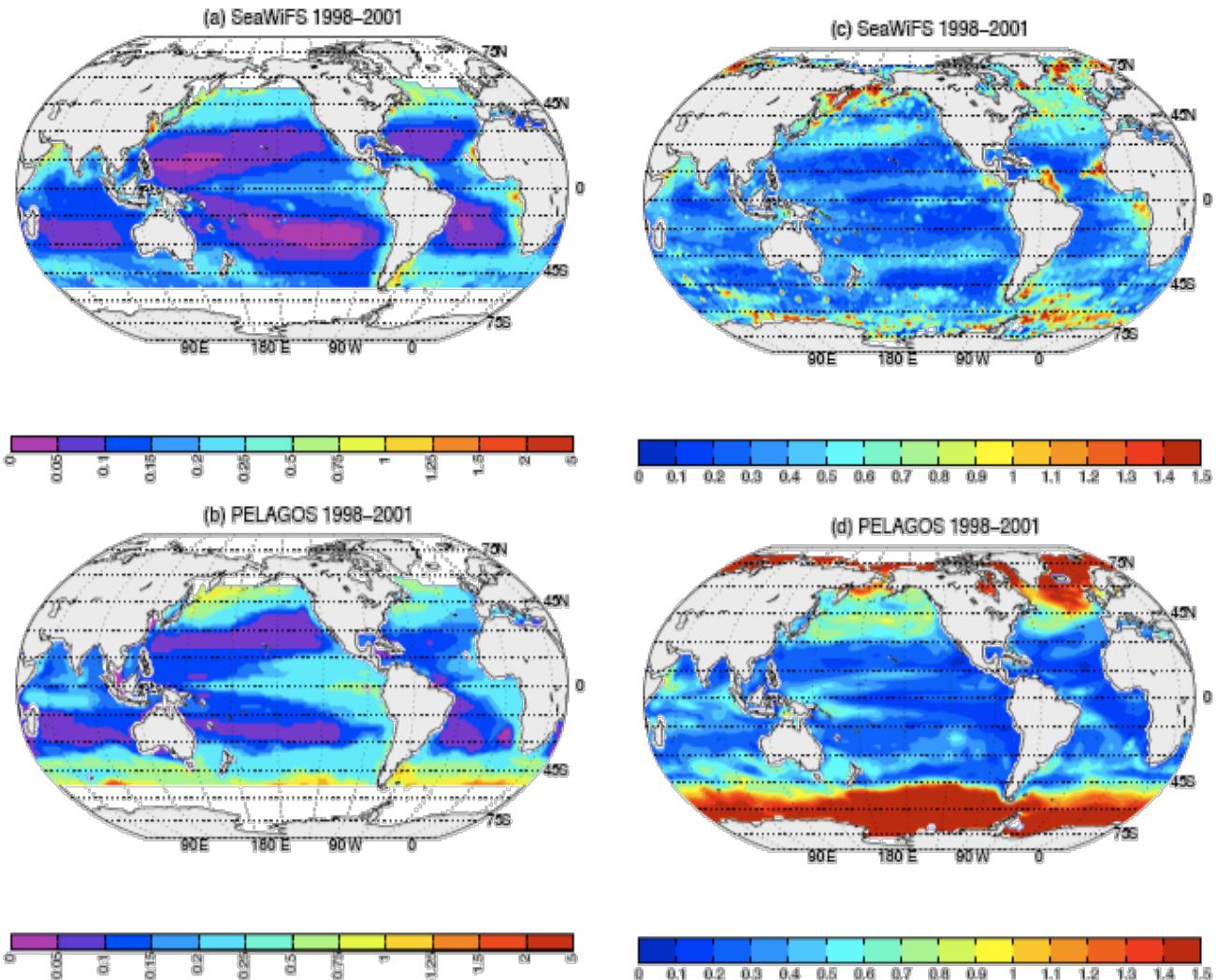
- ✓ BFM coupled with 3D transport equations at different spatial resolutions and different spatial scales: Global (Ocean) → regional (Mediterranean basin) → sub-regional (Adriatic Sea)
- ✓ Temporal scales: weeks (operational forecast) → multi decadal (climate simulations)
- ✓ Configurations allow to reconstruct the past and present biogeochemical states (hindcast) and to perform scenario simulations (e.g. IPCC scenarios)

# BFM in the Global Ocean

- ✓ BFM coupling with the GCM NEMO at 0.25° and 2°
- ✓ Hindcast simulations of the global ocean biogeochemistry (Vichi et al. 2007a,b; Vichi and Masina, 2009)
- ✓ Biogeochemical cycles in the Earth System under current and future climate conditions with the CMCC Earth System Model (Vichi et al., 2011; Patara et al., 2011; Patara et al., 2012)

## PELAGOS

(PELAGic biogeochemistry for Global Ocean Simulations)

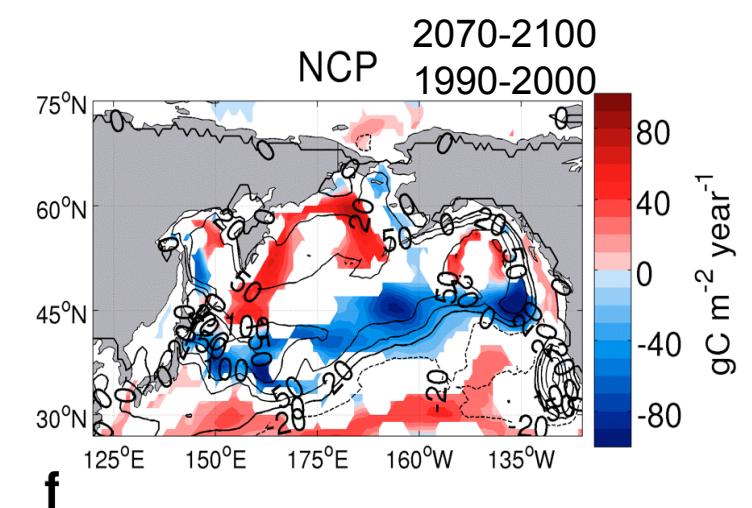
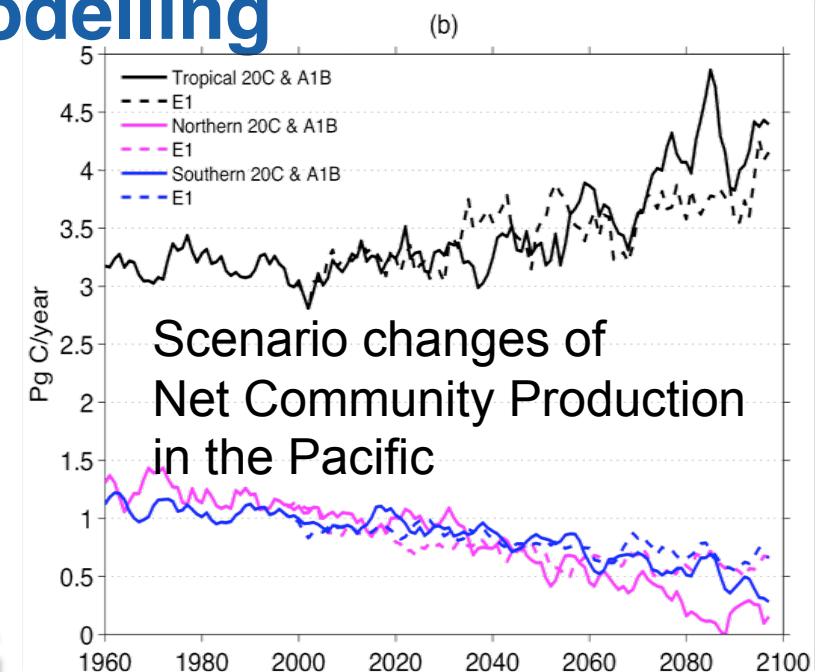
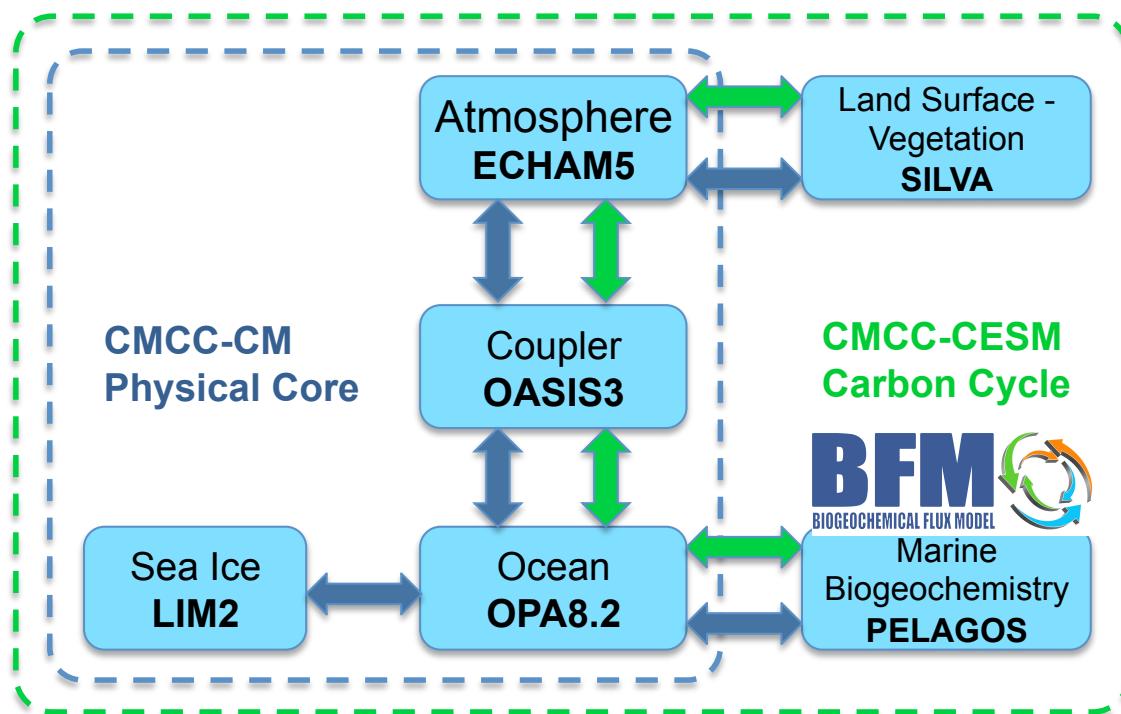


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sui Cambiamenti Climatici

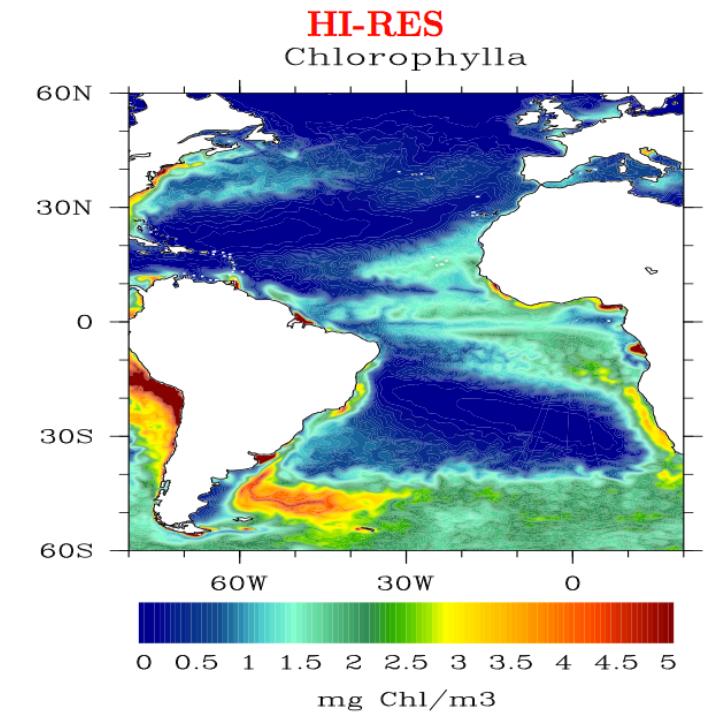
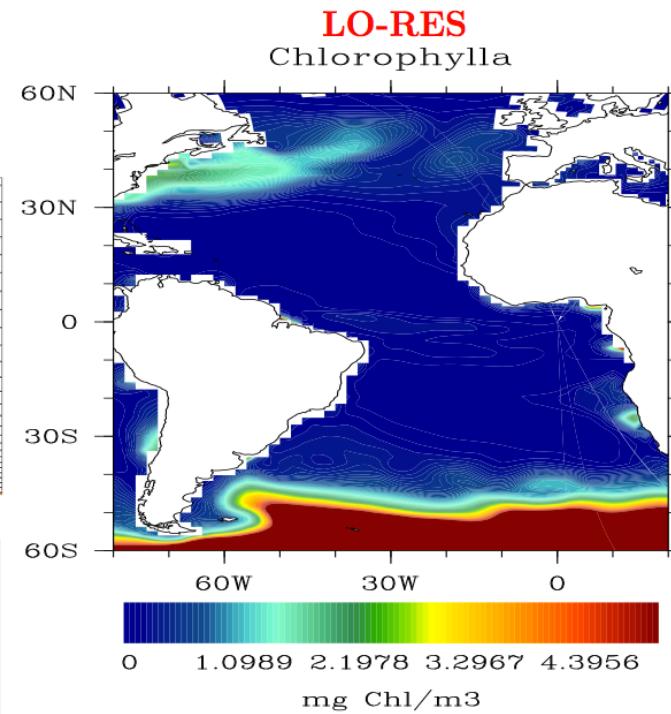
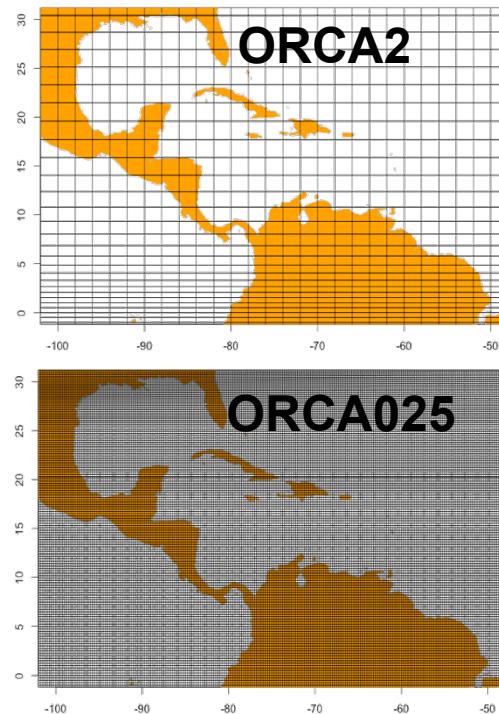


# BFM in the Earth System Modelling

PELAGOS is the marine biogeochemistry component of the CMCC-CESM Carbon Earth System Model that participated to the Climate Model Intercomparison Project Phase 5 (Cagnazzo et al., 2013)



# High-resolution simulations with the BFM

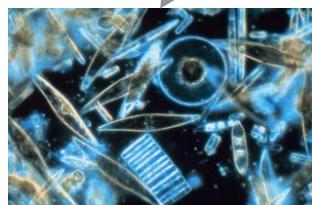
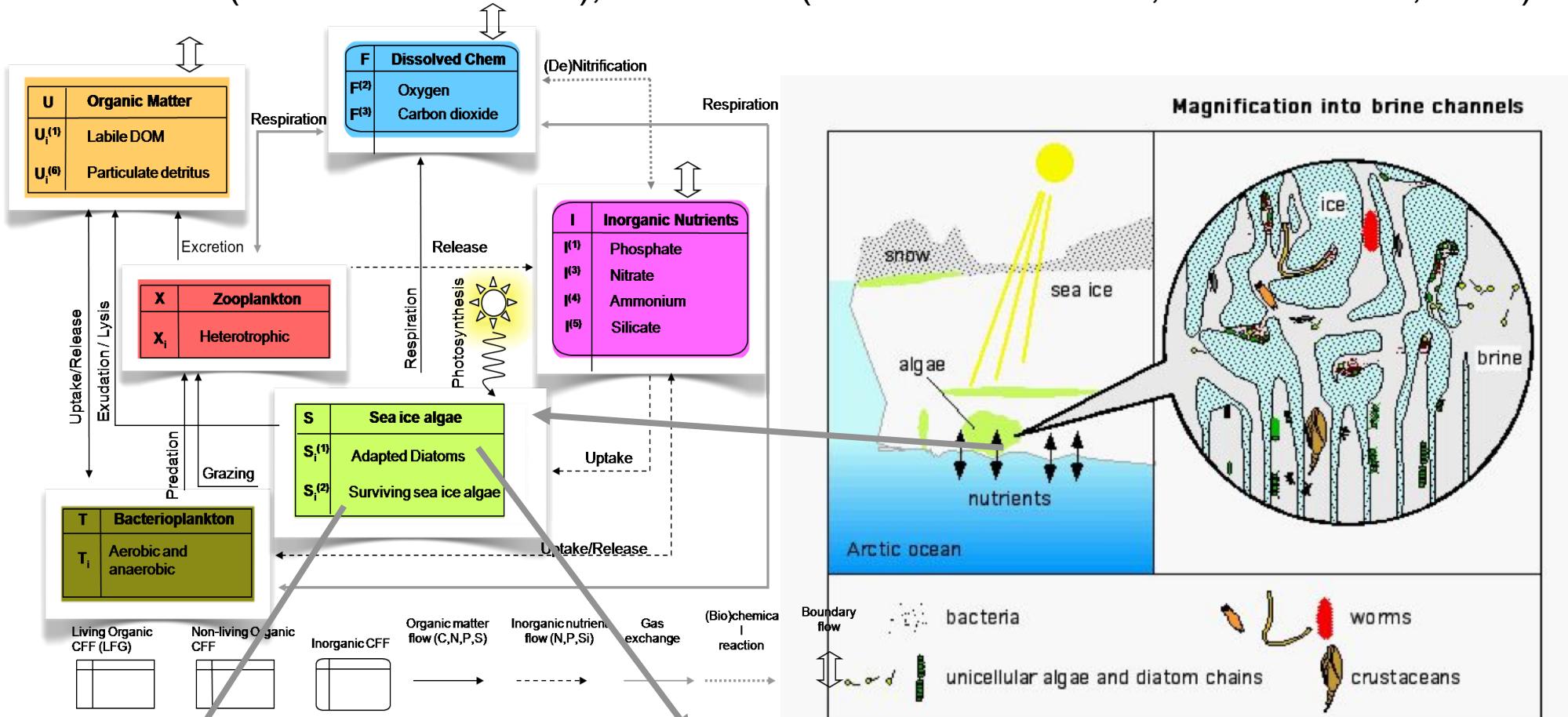


- ✓ Preliminary simulations with high-res ocean model
- ✓ greatly enhances plankton in the equatorial, subtropics and coastal regions
- ✓ whereas it is suppressed in the Southern Ocean

# BFM-SI: Biogeochemical Flux Model in Sea Ice

Applications:

Baltic Sea (Tedesco et al. 2010); Arctic Sea (Tedesco et al. 2010, Tedesco et al., 2012)



Surviving sea ice  
algae



Adapted Diatoms

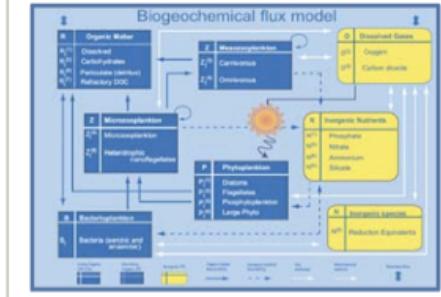
$$\frac{\partial c_i}{\partial t} = \text{TRANSPORT} + \text{REACTION} \longrightarrow$$

OPA Tracer Model

$$-\mathbf{U} \cdot \nabla c_i + (-1)^{n+1} k_h \nabla_h^{2n} c_i + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left[ k_v \frac{\partial c_i}{\partial z} \right]$$

Physical forcings ( $\mathbf{U}, T, I, ecc$ )

$$\text{BFM } w_{si} \frac{\partial c_i}{\partial z} + R_{bio}(c_i, c_1 \dots c_N, T, I \dots)$$



- ✓ Horiz. Res. = 1/8°
- ✓ Vert. Res. = 43/72 levels
- ✓ Time Res. = 1800 s
- ✓ 1 year simulated in 2 hours

## Online approach: Runtime coupling with OGCM (e.g. NEMO)



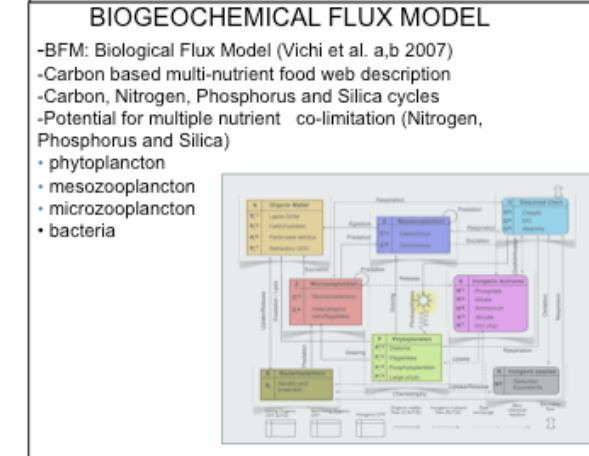
## BFM in the Med

Offline approach:  
coupling with precomputed  
physical fields from OGCM

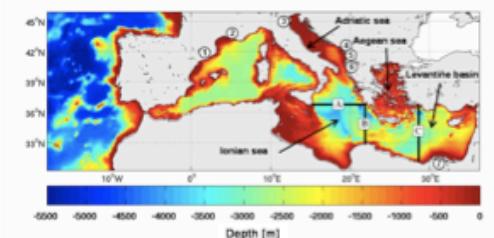


### Model description and forcings

**CIRCULATION MODEL**  
 -OGCM: NEMO (OPA 9) (Madec 2008)  
<http://www.nemo-ocean.eu> Oddo et al. 2009)  
 -Horizontal Resolution: 1/16 deg ~ 7 Km  
 -Vertical Resolution: Z-coordinates, 71 levels (partial steps)  
 -Free run: no relaxation to climatology, full freshwater flux (major rivers), no heat flux correction  
 -Parallel simulations (on-line)



**SET UP**  
 -Physical model settings: ECMWF ERA40 atmospheric forcing functions  
 -Initial conditions for nutrients and oxygen: annual OA climatologies from SEADATANET project (<http://www.seadatanet.org>) merged with World Ocean Atlas climatology in the Atlantic box  
 -Initial conditions for biology: homogeneous guesstimates with vertically-distributed analytical profiles  
 -Nutrient River input: data from Sesame Project (Ludwig et al. 2009)



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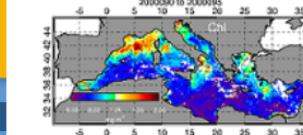
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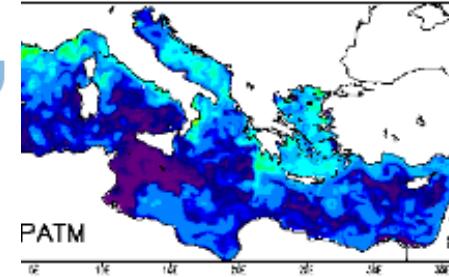
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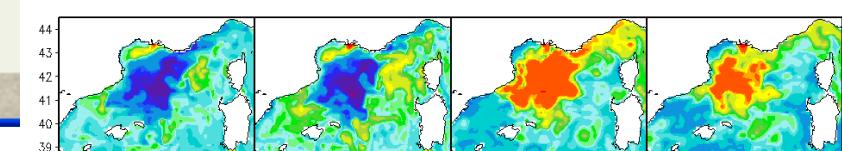
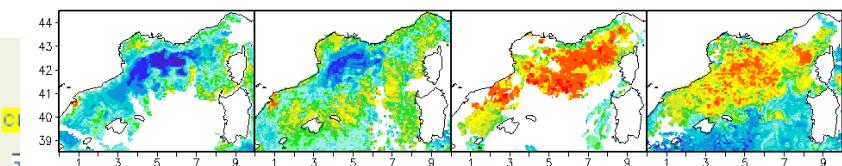
## DATA ACCESS



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14MAR2010 16MAR2010 23MAR2010 27MAR2010



## Mediterranean Sea Biogeochemistry Analysis (2001-2010)

Ecosystem - Generated using MyOcean Products

[Access to data through MyOcean Catalogue](#)

10 day Forecast starts every Tuesday  
[\(READ MORE..\)](#)  
3-4-2011 (Sun) 10:25:24 (UTC)

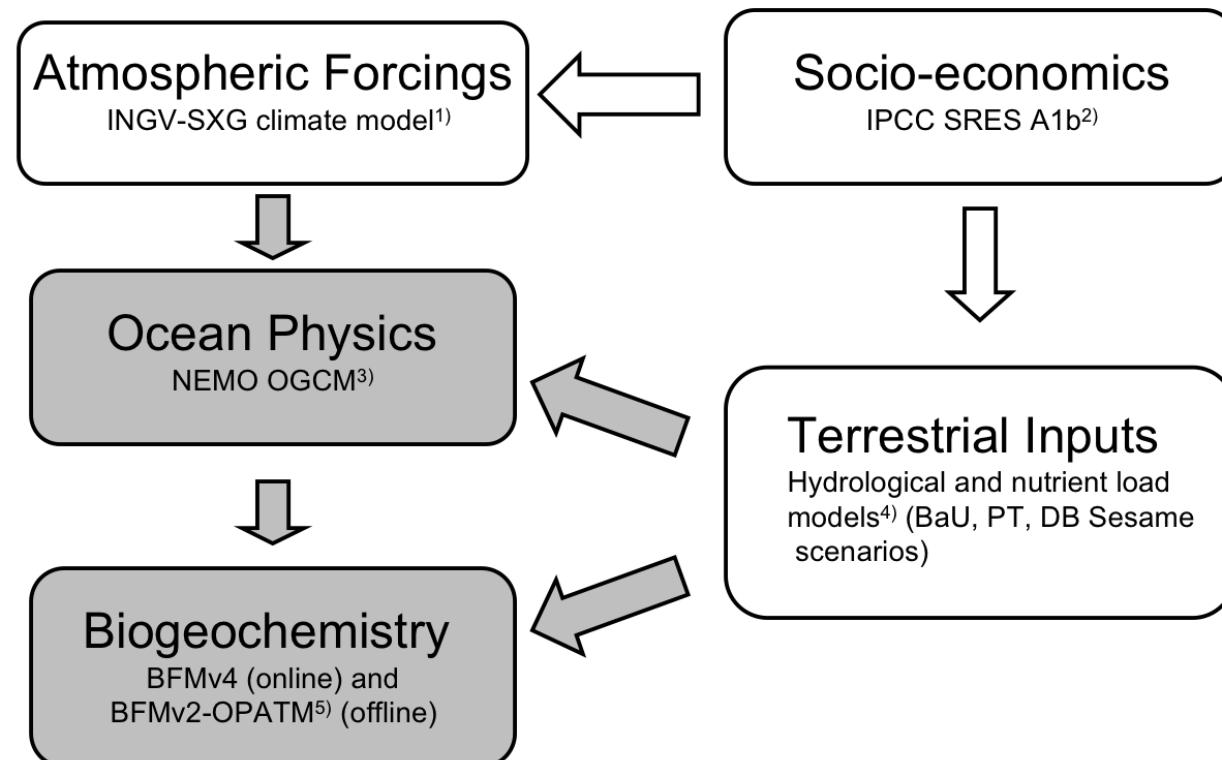
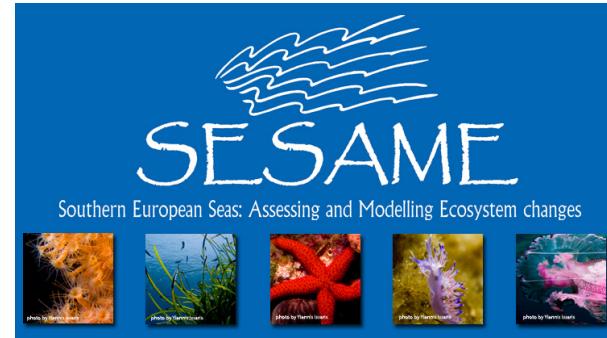
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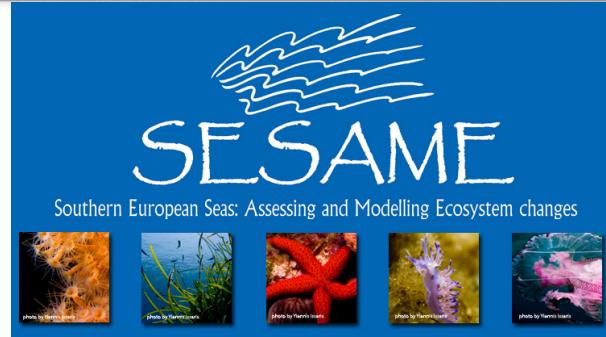
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Nominal product for biogeochemistry forecast in Med Sea + OGS web page + case studies + CalVal

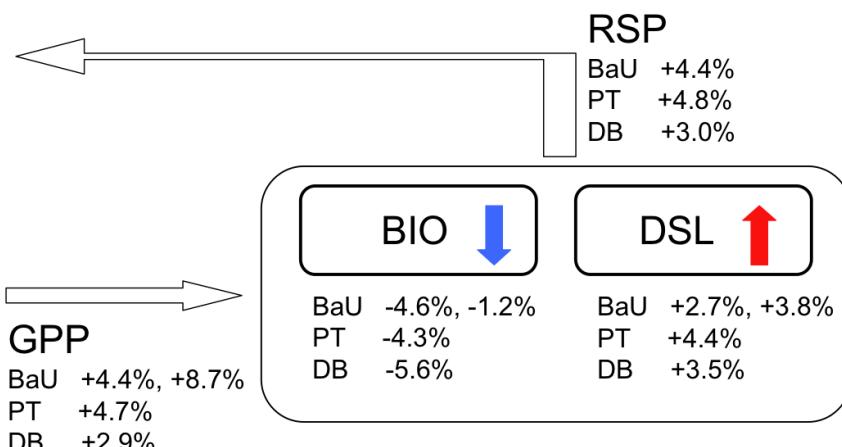
<http://gnoo.bo.ingv.it/myocean/calval/bgc/>



1) Gualdi et al. (2008); 2) Nakicenovic and Swart (2000); 3) Oddo et al (2009); 4) Ludwig et al. (2010); 5) Lazzari et al. (2012)



- ✓ Increase of carbon rates both production (GPP) and community respiration (RSP)
- ✓ Increase of dissolved semi-labile carbon
- ✓ Reduction in biomass



### MEDITERRANEAN BASIN

	20C	A1B-BaU	A1B-PT	A1B-DB
<b>GPP</b>	0.66	0.044	0.047	0.029
<b>RSP</b>	0.65	0.044	0.048	0.030
<b>NPP</b>	0.36	0.032	0.036	0.015
<b>NCP</b>	0.01	-0.001	-0.033	-0.064
<b>DSL</b>	0.96	0.038	0.044	0.035
<b>BIO</b>	4.12	-0.046	-0.043	-0.056

### WESTERN BASIN

	20C	A1B-BaU	A1B-PT	A1B-DB
<b>GPP</b>	0.81	0.023	0.017	0.011
<b>RSP</b>	0.80	0.023	0.016	0.013
<b>NPP</b>	0.46	0.009	0.001	-0.006
<b>NCP</b>	0.01	0.050	0.019	-0.002
<b>DSL</b>	1.02	0.030	0.027	0.025
<b>BIO</b>	4.97	-0.070	-0.074	-0.076

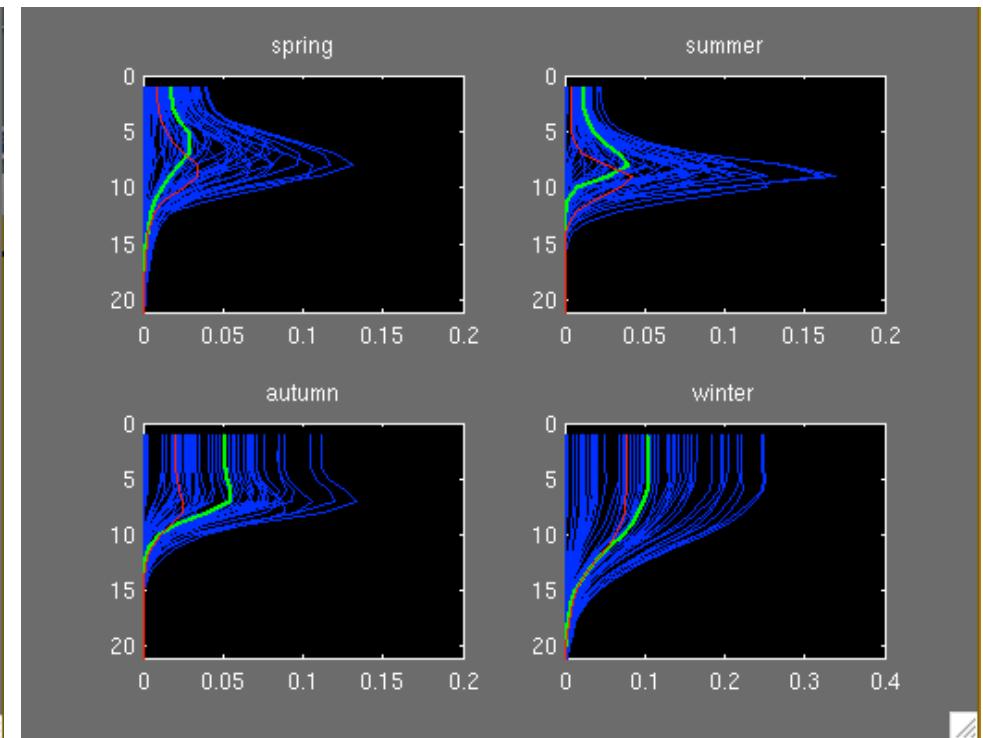
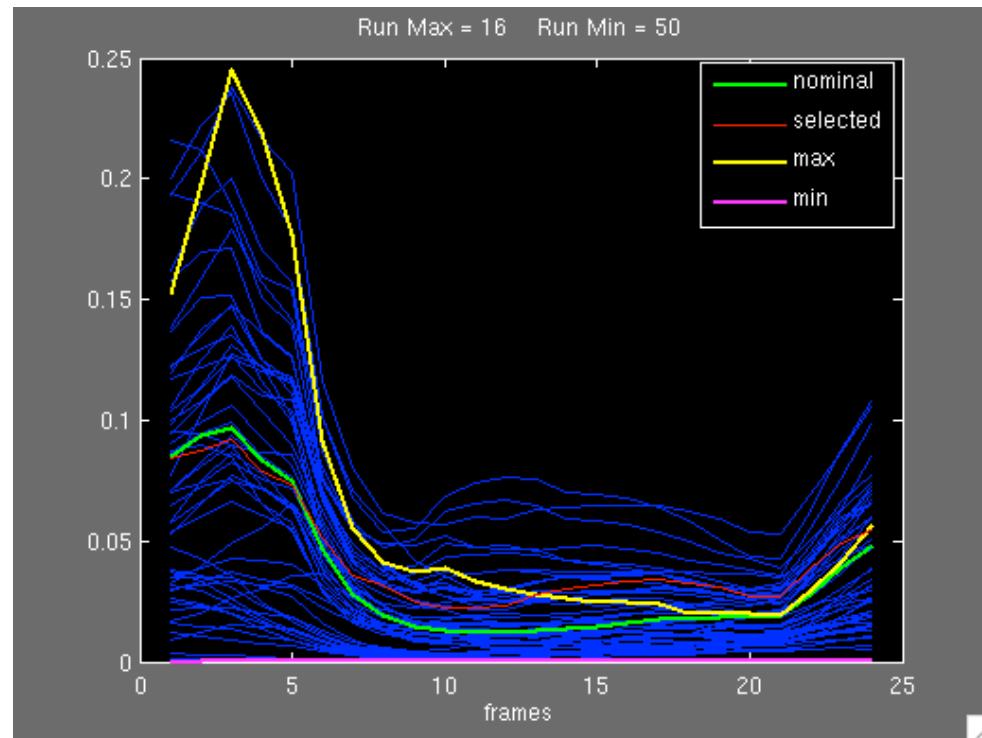
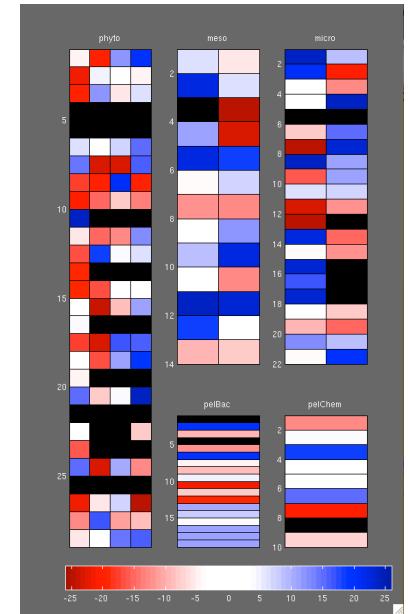
### EASTERN BASIN

	20C	A1B-BaU	A1B-PT	A1B-DB
<b>GPP</b>	0.58	0.061	0.073	0.044
<b>RSP</b>	0.56	0.063	0.076	0.046
<b>NPP</b>	0.30	0.053	0.067	0.034
<b>NCP</b>	0.01	-0.035	-0.068	-0.104
<b>DSL</b>	0.93	0.045	0.056	0.042
<b>BIO</b>	3.63	-0.027	-0.018	-0.039



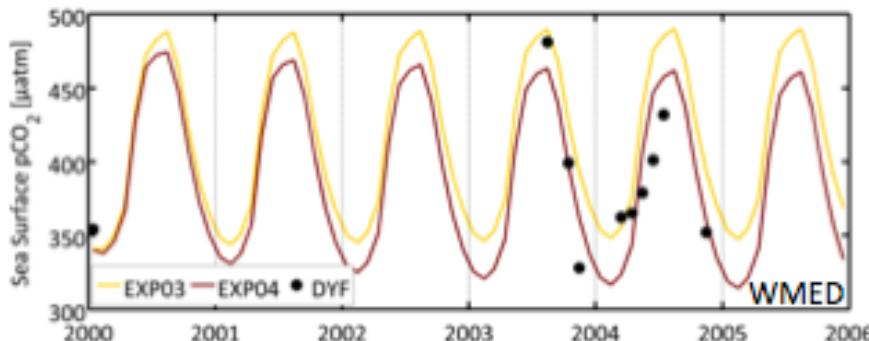
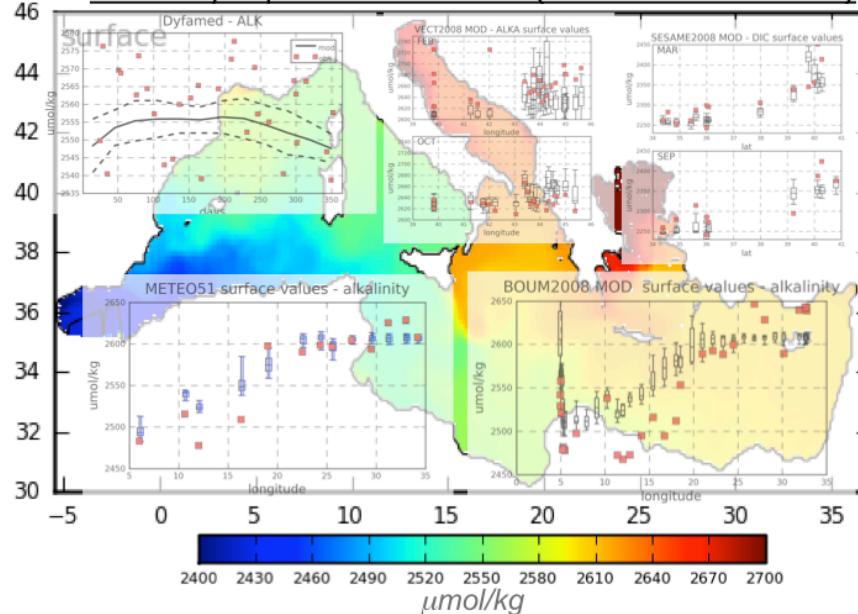
Impact of OPATM-BFM parameters uncertainty on model results,  
3D global sensitivity analysis on Mediterranean scale

GSENSMED TIER-0 project awarded by PRACE with > 20 M core hours



# Carbonate system dynamics BFM

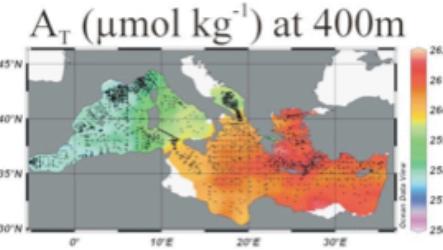
Alkalinity – present condition (mean of 2000-2004)



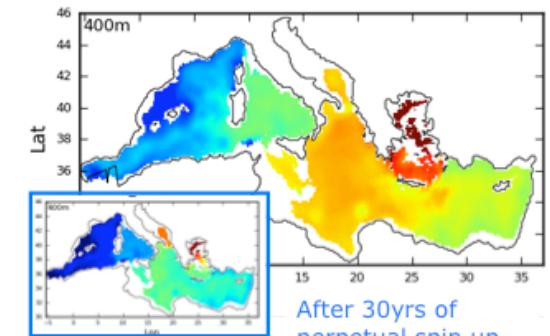
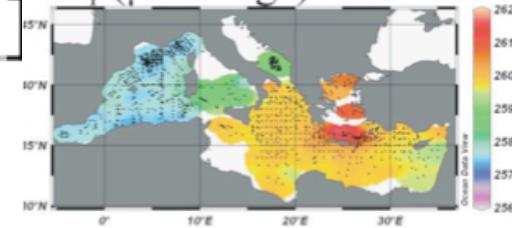
Time series of simulated ocean  $\text{pCO}_2$  in the  
Western Med and DYFAMED  
Tomas Lovato CMCC

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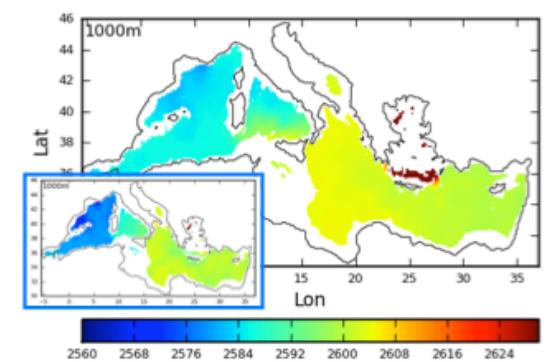
MedSea Deliverable 2.2



$A_T$  ( $\mu\text{mol kg}^{-1}$ ) at 1000m

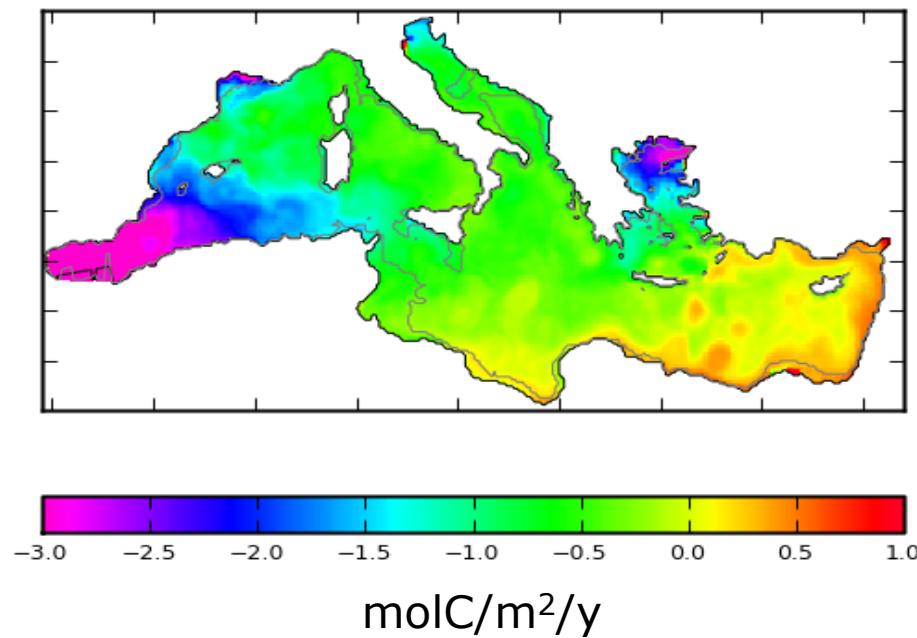


After 30yrs of  
perpetual spin up

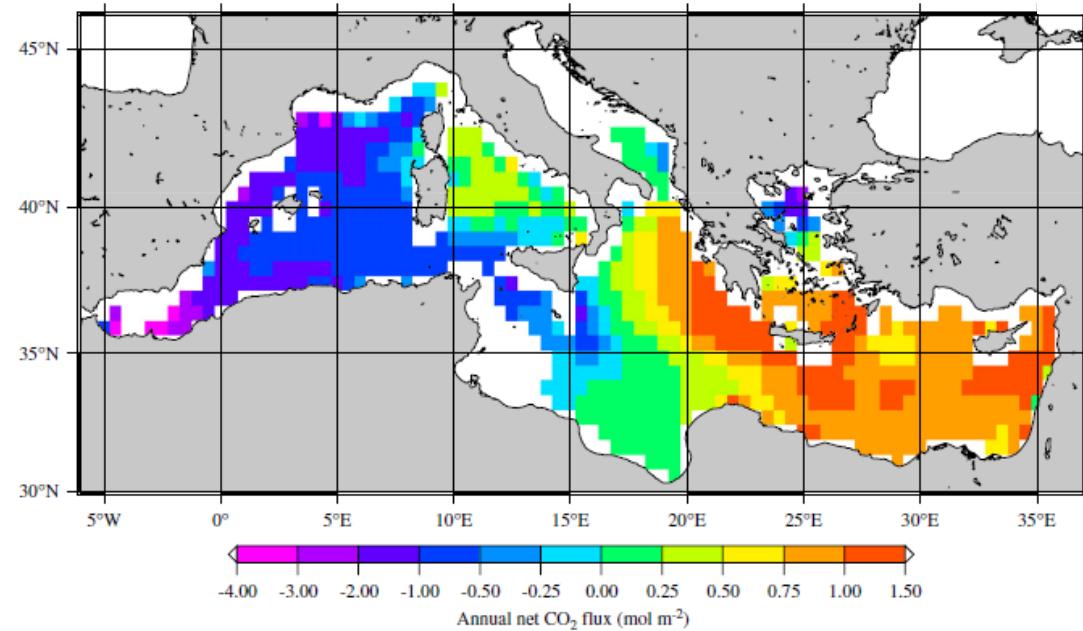


Models simulate the mean state and  
seasonal variability of the carbonate  
system in the Mediterranean

OPATM-BFM

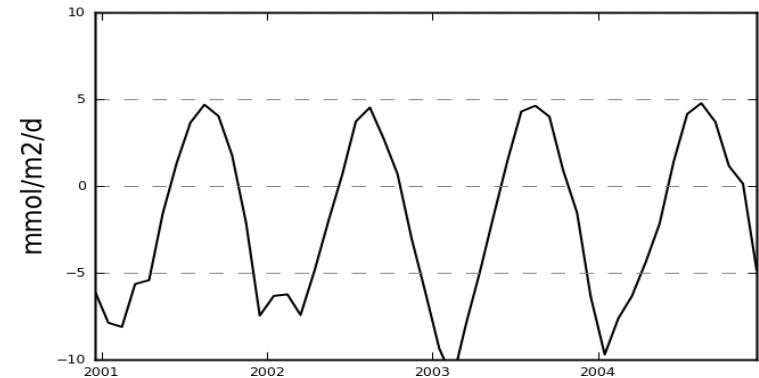


D'Ortenzio et al., 2009



## CO<sub>2</sub> flux at air-sea interface

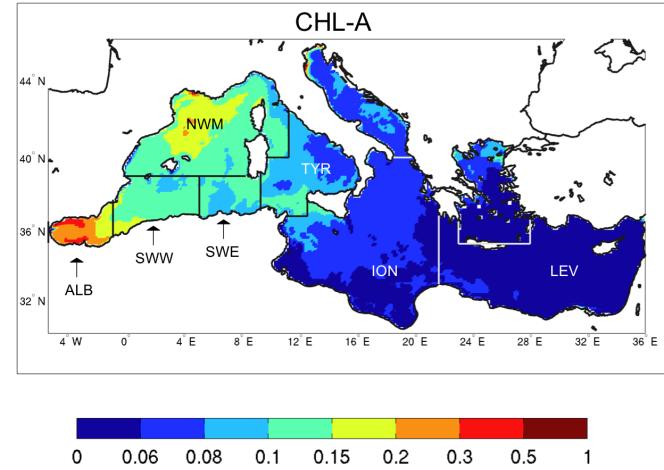
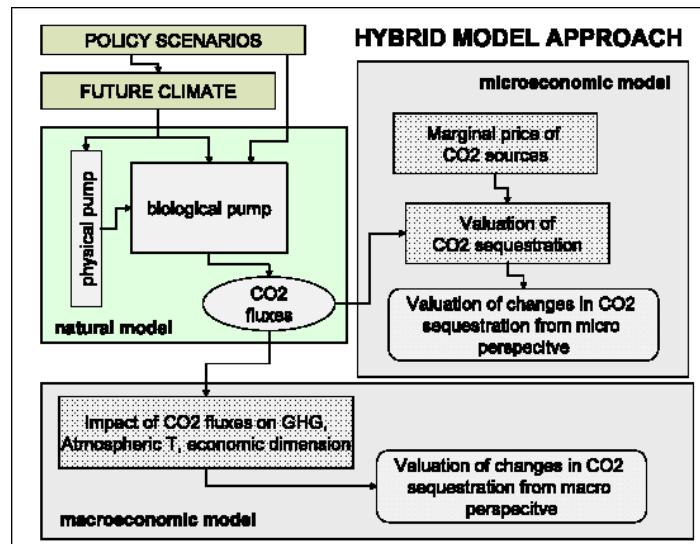
OPATM-BFM: sink of  $1.6 \times 10^{12}$  mole per year



Copin-Montegut, 1993: sink of  $0.35-1.85 \times 10^{12}$  mole per year

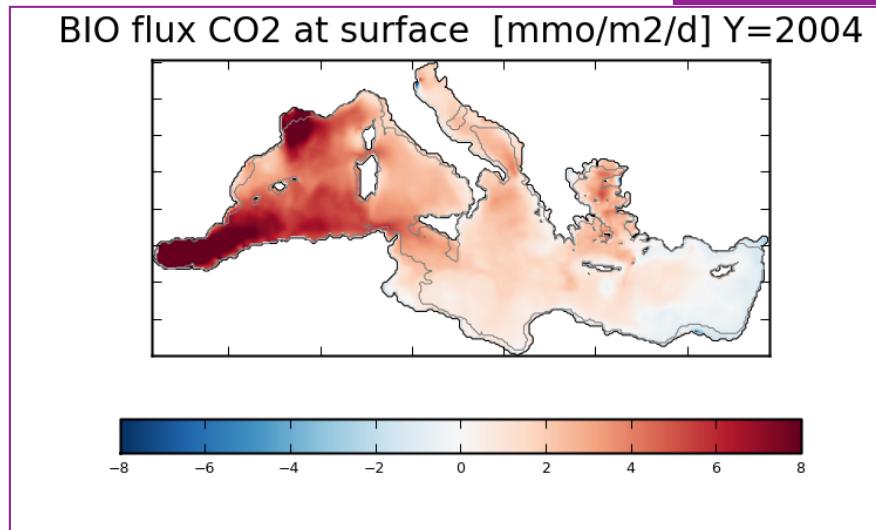
D'Ortenzio et al., 2008: sink of  $0.02 \times 10^{12}$  mole per year

# Hybrid model approach BFM



Impacts on  
target species

## Biogeochemical model results



## Hybrid model results



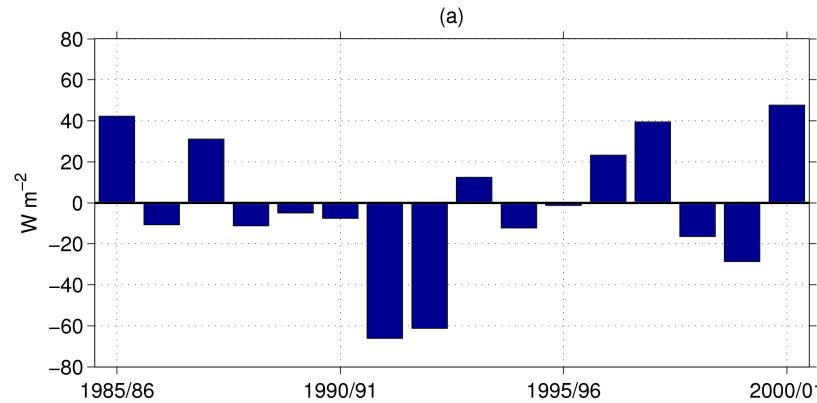
Carbon Sequestration estimate-SCC  
and Med Carbon sequestration value

# A transient event 1990-1995

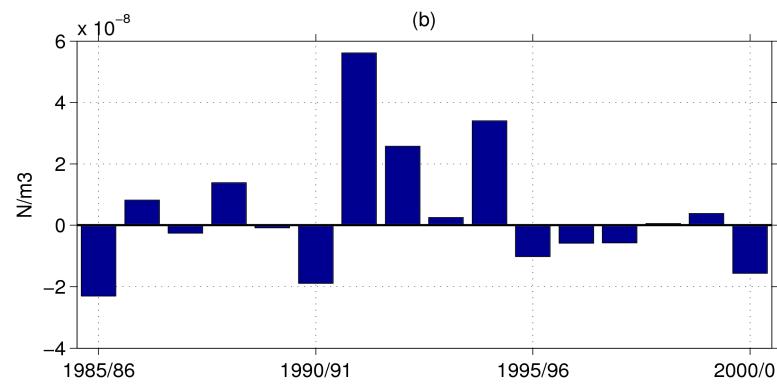
Mattia et al., 2013



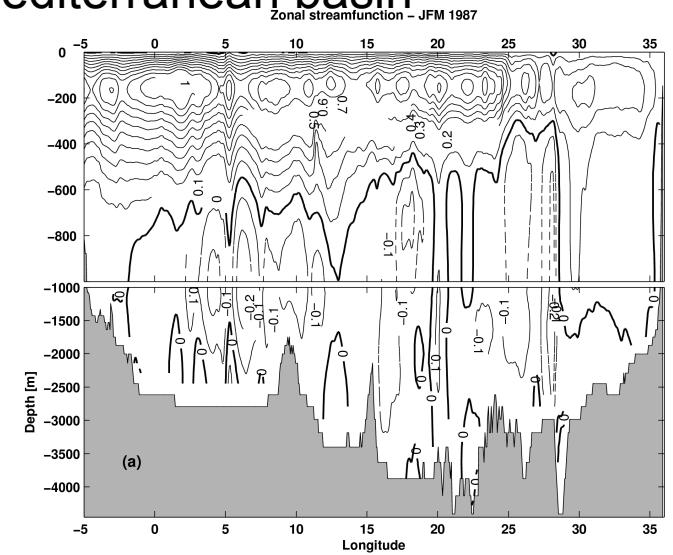
Anomaly of the mean winter (NDJF)  
net surface heat flux over the Aegean sea



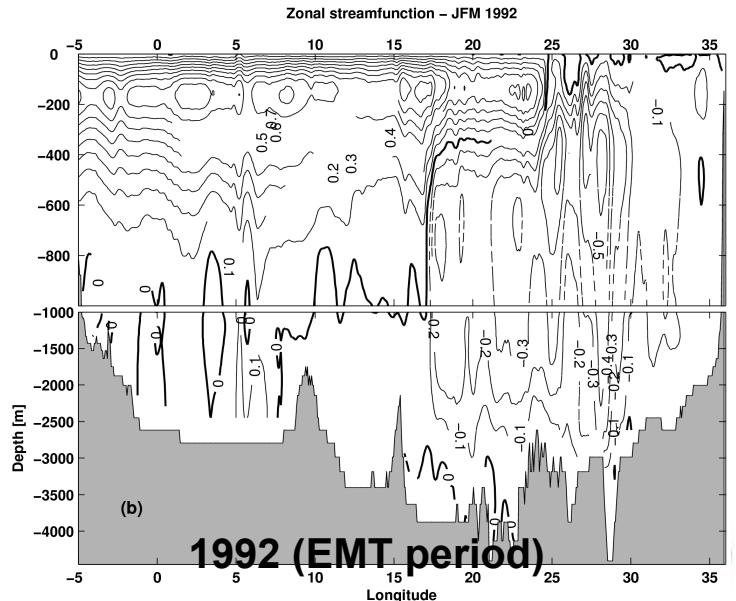
Anomaly of the mean winter (NDJF)  
wind stress curl in the Eastern Mediterranean



Mean winter (JFM) zonal streamfunction for the  
Mediterranean basin

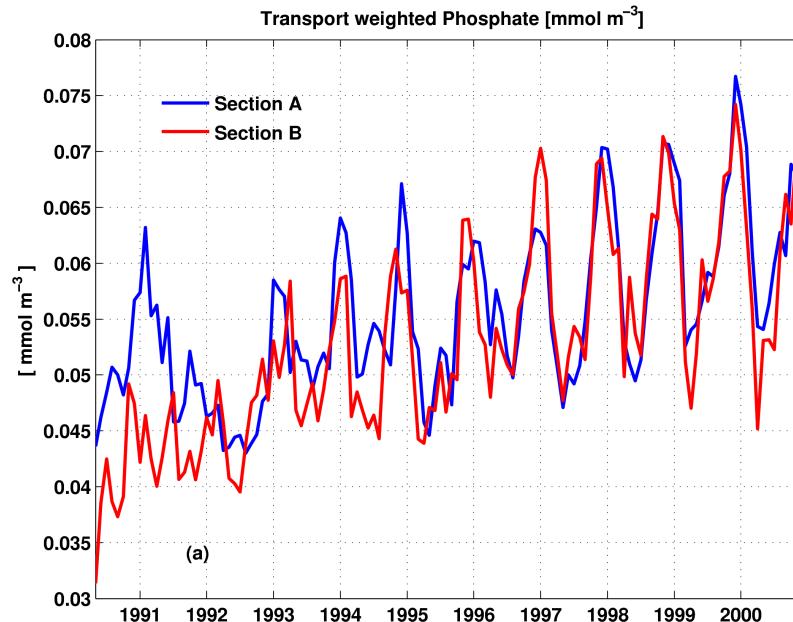


1987 (PRE EMT period)

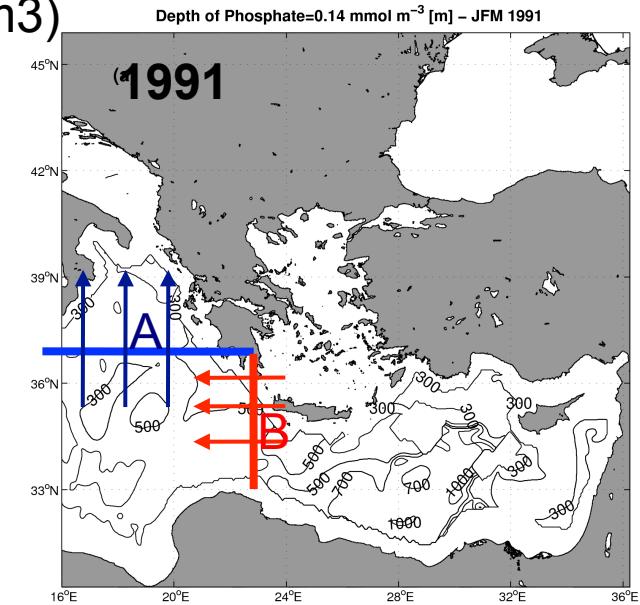




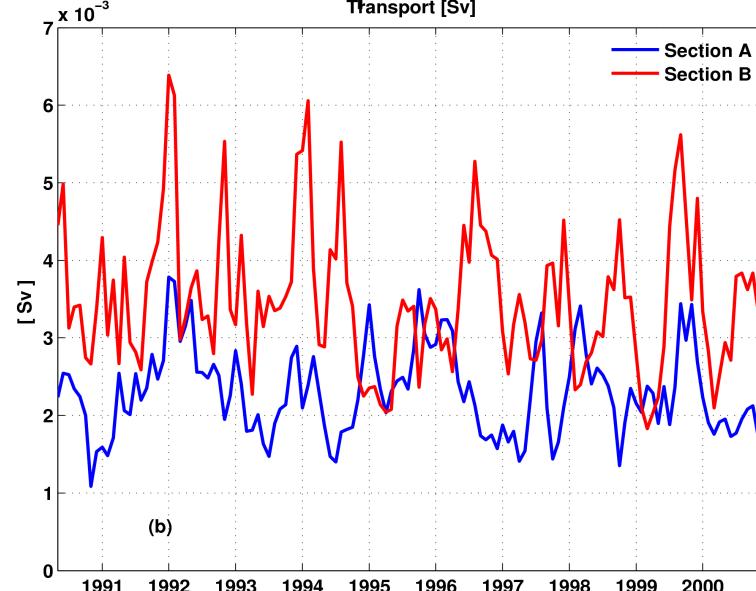
## Transport-weighted PO<sub>4</sub> in the first 500 m



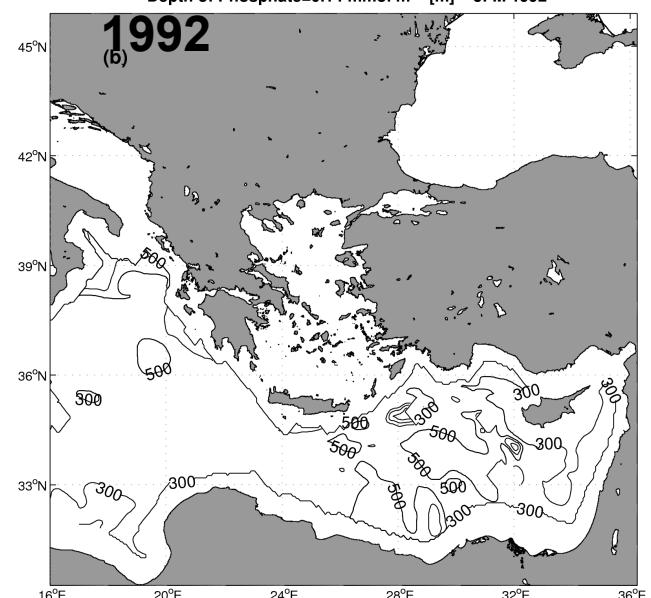
## Depth of isosurface (PO<sub>4</sub> = 0.14 mmol/m<sup>3</sup>)



## Water Transport in the first 500 m



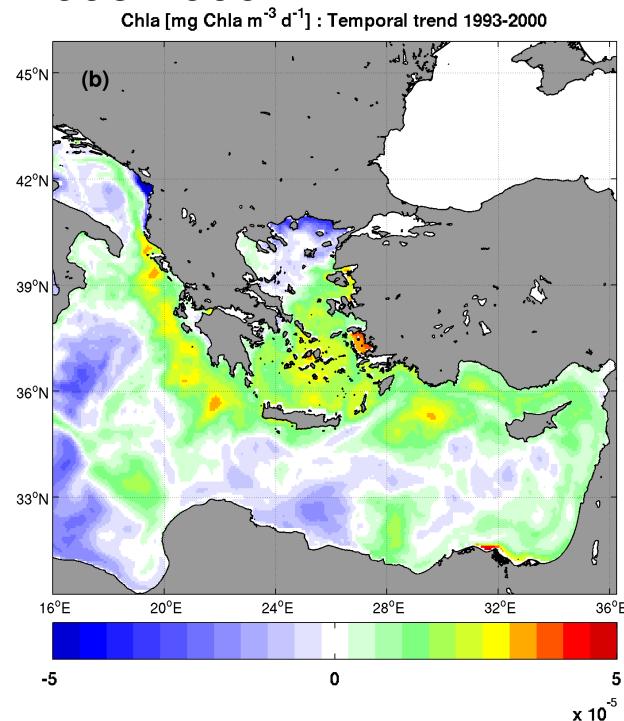
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# Model response to the physical forcings

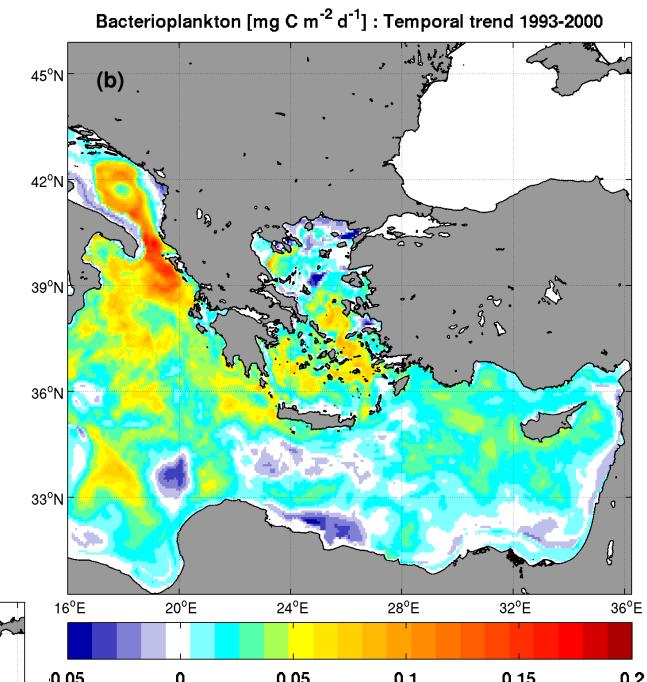
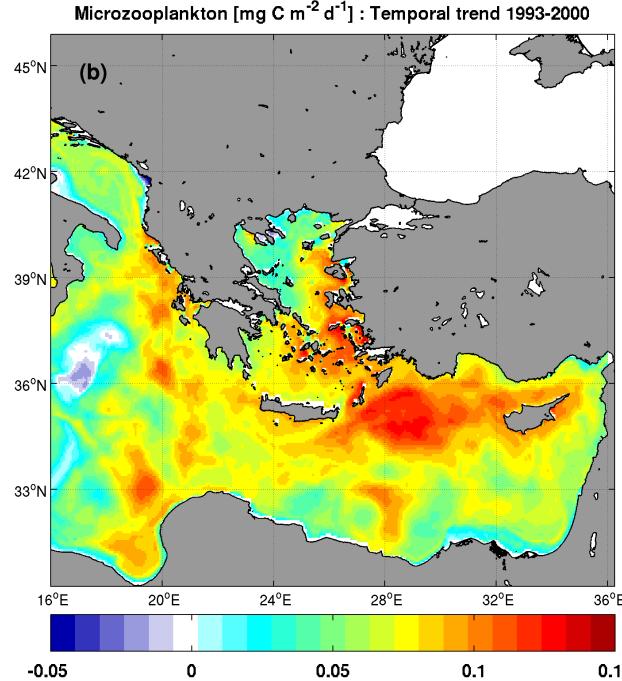


Linear temporal trends and over the period  
1993-2000



Chla (mg Chla m<sup>3</sup>/d)

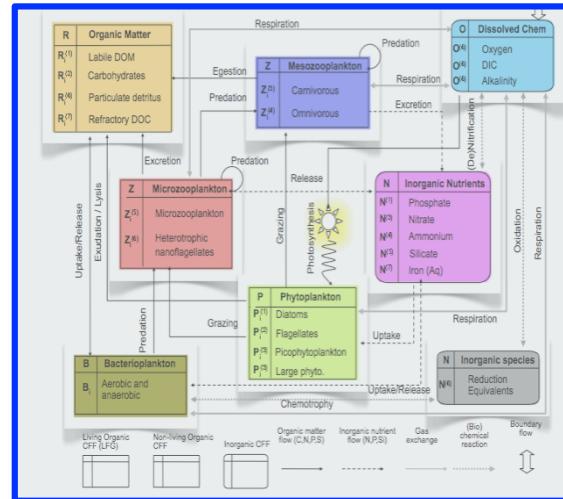
Microzooplankton  
(mg C m<sup>2</sup>/d)



Bacterioplankton  
(mg C m<sup>2</sup>/d)

# BFM in the Adriatic Sea

POM (Princeton Ocean Model) – BFM (Biogeochemical Flux Model)



physiological and population processes of lower trophic levels (LTL)

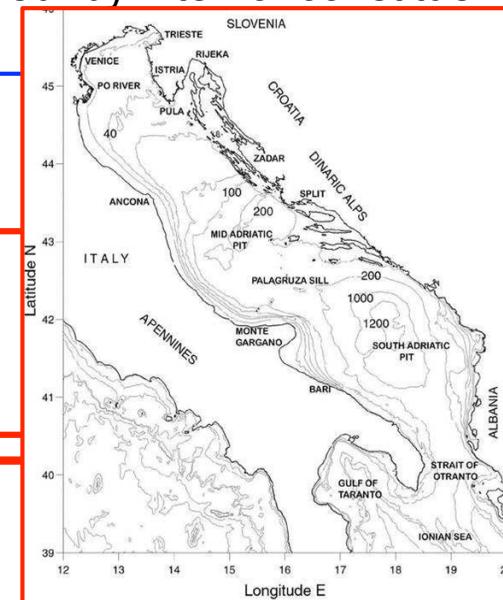
3 main trophic groups: Primary producers, predators, decomposers (standard organism)

functional group biomass defined by internal constituents (C, N, P, Si)

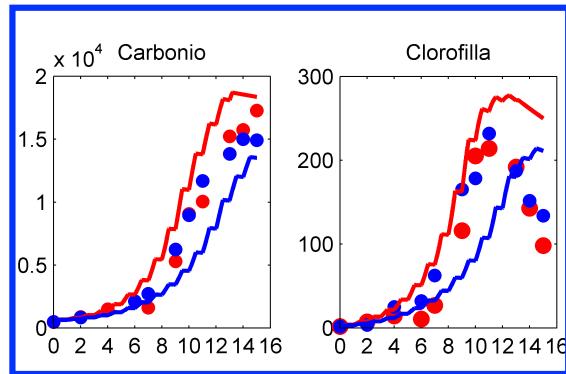
Horizontal resolution: 2 kms, 27 sigma vert. levels.

Nesting with Mediterranean OGCM

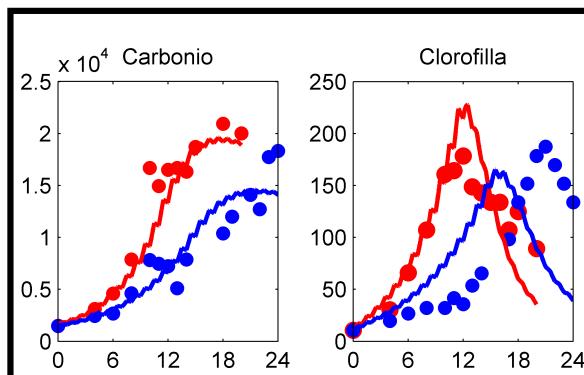
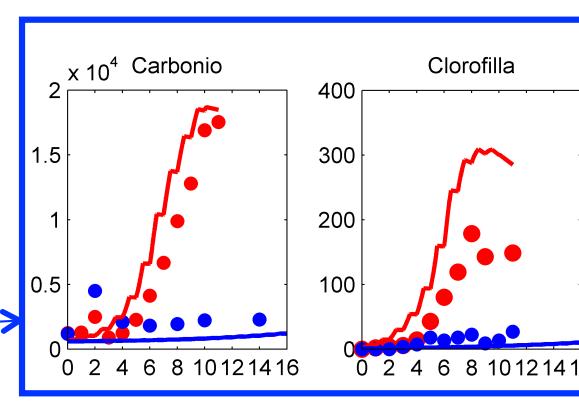
**Ecosystem response to climate scale drivers.**  
**Ecosystem response to direct anthropogenic drivers.**



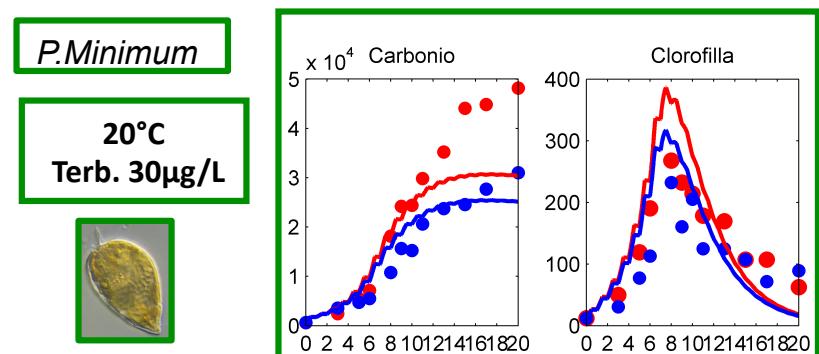
# Phytoplankton laboratory cultures exposed to organic pollutants (herbicide). Development and test of appropriate model parameterisation.



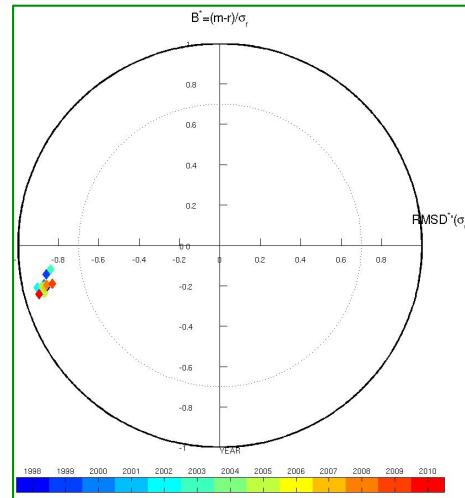
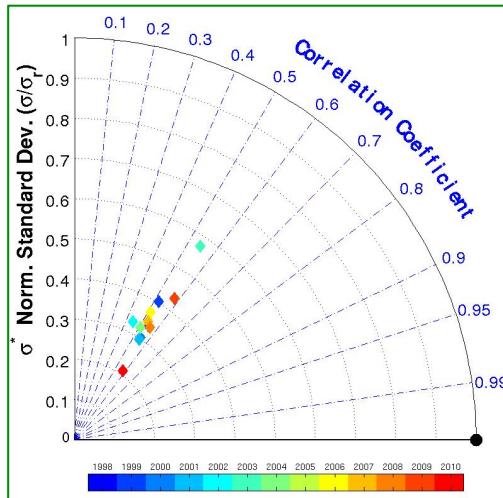
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Terb. 10µg/L



*G. Spinifera*  
20°C  
Terb. 5µg/L

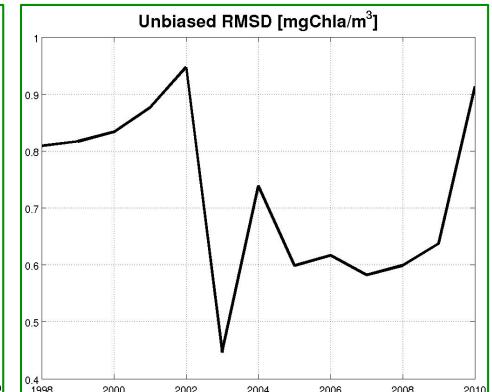
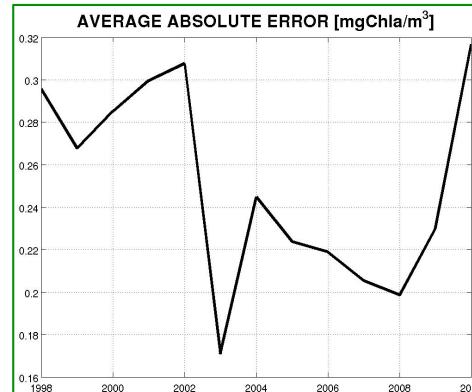
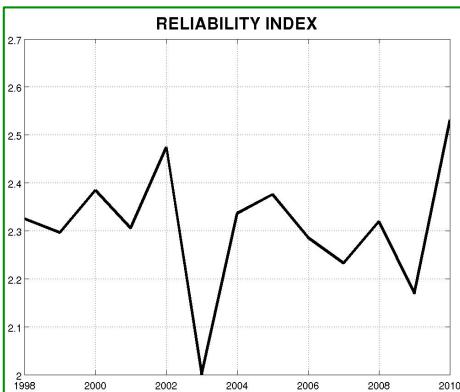
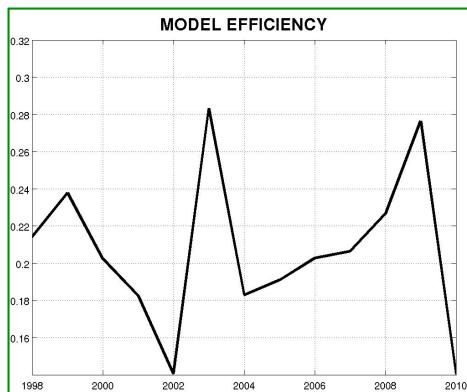


# Hindcast: Validation against SeaWifs surface pigments (1998-2010) for the Adriatic Sea

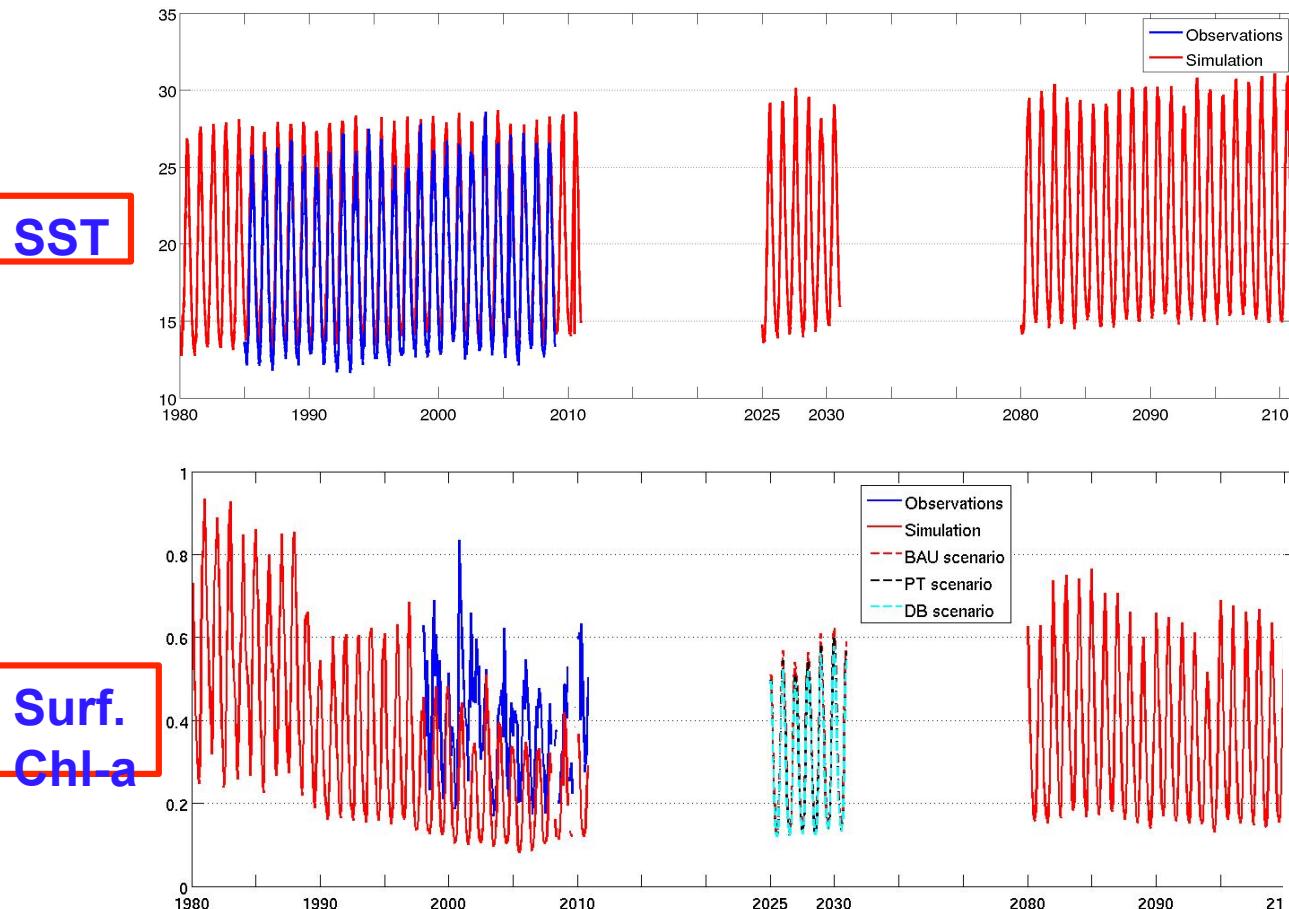


**ANNUAL AVERAGES**

Validation by means of  
objective statistical indicators



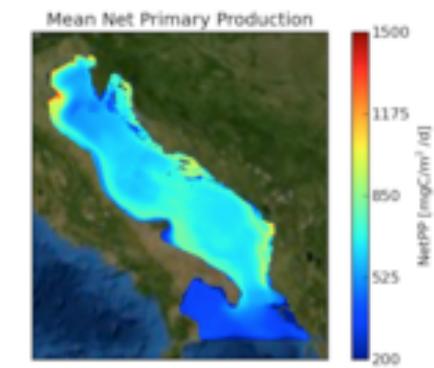
Time Slices Considered: (1980-2010), (2025-2030), (2080-2100)



LTL runs:

30 years hindcast  
20 years end 21<sup>st</sup>  
Century scenario.

Scenarios for:  
Land based nutrient  
Inputs.  
Herbicide



Thank you for the  
attention!