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# 1 Key Properties

Ocean Biogeochemistry key properties

# 1.1 Key Properties

Ocean Biogeochemistry key properties

# 1.1.1 Name \*

Name of ocnbgchem model code

Enter TEXT:

# 1.1.2 Keywords \*

Keywords associated with ocnbgchem model code

Enter COMMA SEPERATED list:

# 1.1.3 Overview \*

Overview of ocnbgchem model.

Enter TEXT:

# 1.1.4 Model Type \*

 $Type\ of\ ocean\ biogeochemistry\ model$ 

| Geochemical - No living compartments |
|--------------------------------------|
| NPZD - No plankton types             |
| PFT - Several plankton types         |
| Other - please specify:              |

# 1.1.5 Elemental Stoichiometry \*

Describe elemental stoichiometry (fixed, variable, mix of the two)

# Select SINGLE option:

| Fixed - Fixed stoichiometry                      |
|--|
| Variable - Variable stoichiometry                |
| Mix of both - Both fixed and mixed stoichiometry |

# 1.1.6 Elemental Stoichiometry Details \*

Describe which elements have fixed/variable stoichiometry

Enter COMMA SEPERATED list:

# 1.1.7 Prognostic Variables \*

List of all prognostic tracer variables in the ocean biogeochemistry component

Enter COMMA SEPERATED list:

# 1.1.8 Diagnostic Variables \*

List of all diagnotic tracer variables in the ocean biogeochemistry component (derived from prognostic variables

Enter COMMA SEPERATED list:

# 1.1.9 Damping

Describe any tracer damping used (such as artificial correction or relaxation to climatology,...)

Enter TEXT:

# 1.2 Time Stepping Framework

Time stepping framework for ocean biogeochemistry

### 1.2.1 Overview

Overview of time stepping framework for ocean biogeochemistry in ocnbgchem model.

Enter TEXT:

# 1.3 Passive Tracers Transport

Time stepping method for passive tracers transport in ocean biogeochemistry

### 1.3.1 Method \*

 $Time\ stepping\ framework\ for\ passive\ tracers$ 

Select SINGLE option:

| Use ocean model transport time step |
|-------------------------------------|
| Use specific time step              |

# 1.3.2 Timestep If Not From Ocean

Time step for passive tracers (if different from ocean)

Enter INTEGER value:

# 1.4 Biology Sources Sinks

Time stepping framework for biology sources and sinks in ocean biogeochemistry

| 1.4.1 Method *  |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|
| Time stepping framework for biology sources and sinks                     |  |  |  |
| Select SINGLE option:   |  |  |  |
| Use ocean model transport time step                                       |  |  |  |
| Use specific time step  |  |  |  |
| 1.4.2 Thursday If Not Press Occasi  |  |  |  |
| 1.4.2 Timestep If Not From Ocean  |  |  |  |
| Time step for biology sources and sinks (if different from ocean)         |  |  |  |
| Enter INTEGER value:  |  |  |  |
|   |  |  |  |
| 1.5 Transport Scheme  |  |  |  |
| Transport scheme in ocean biogeochemistry                                 |  |  |  |
|   |  |  |  |
| 1.5.1 Overview  |  |  |  |
| Overview of transport scheme in ocean biogeochemistry in ocnbychem model. |  |  |  |
| Enter TEXT:   |  |  |  |
| 1.5.2 Type *  |  |  |  |
| Type of transport scheme  |  |  |  |
| Select SINGLE option:   |  |  |  |
| Offline   |  |  |  |
| Online  |  |  |  |
|   |  |  |  |
| 1.5.3 Scheme *  |  |  |  |
| Transport scheme used   |  |  |  |
| Select SINGLE option:   |  |  |  |
| Use that of ocean model   |  |  |  |
| Other - please specify:   |  |  |  |
|   |  |  |  |
| 1.5.4 Use Different Scheme  |  |  |  |
| Decribe transport scheme if different than that of ocean model            |  |  |  |
| Enter TEXT:   |  |  |  |

# 1.6 Boundary Forcing

Properties of biogeochemistry boundary forcing

| 1.6.1 Overview  |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| $Overview\ of\ properties\ of\ biogeochemistry\ boundary\ forcing\ in\ ocnbgchem\ model.$ |  |  |
| Enter TEXT:   |  |  |
| 1.6.2 Atmospheric Deposition *  |  |  |
| Describe how atmospheric deposition is modeled  |  |  |
| Select SINGLE option:   |  |  |
| From file (climatology)   |  |  |
| From file (interannual variations)  |  |  |
| From Atmospheric Chemistry model  |  |  |
| 1.6.3 River Input *   |  |  |
| Describe how river input is modeled   |  |  |
| Select SINGLE option:   |  |  |
| From file (climatology)   |  |  |
| From file (interannual variations)  |  |  |
| From Land Surface model   |  |  |
| 1.6.4 Sediments From Boundary Conditions  |  |  |
| List which sediments are speficied from boundary condition                                |  |  |
| Enter COMMA SEPERATED list:   |  |  |
| 1.6.5 Sediments From Explicit Model   |  |  |
| List which sediments are speficied from explicit sediment model                           |  |  |
| Enter COMMA SEPERATED list:   |  |  |
| 1.7 Gas Exchange  |  |  |
| Properties of gas exchange in ocean biogeochemistry                                       |  |  |
| 1.7.1 Overview  |  |  |
| Overview of properties of gas exchange in ocean biogeochemistry in ocnbgchem model.       |  |  |
| Enter TEXT:   |  |  |
| 1.7.2 CO2 Exchange Present *  |  |  |
| Is CO2 gas exchange modeled ?   |  |  |

Select either TRUE or FALSE:

☐ False

True

| 1.7.3 CO2 Exchange Type             |                             |  |  |  |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|--|--|
| Describe CO2 gas exchange           |                             |  |  |  |
| Select SINGLE option:               |                             |  |  |  |
|                                     | OMIP protocol               |  |  |  |
|                                     | Other - please specify:     |  |  |  |
| 1.7.4                               | 1.7.4 O2 Exchange Present * |  |  |  |
| Is O2 ga                            | s exchange modeled?         |  |  |  |
| Sele                                | et either TRUE or FALSE:    |  |  |  |
|                                     | True False                  |  |  |  |
| 1.7.5                               | O2 Exchange Type            |  |  |  |
| Describe                            | O2 gas exchange             |  |  |  |
| Sele                                | et SINGLE option:           |  |  |  |
|                                     | OMIP protocol               |  |  |  |
|                                     | Other - please specify:     |  |  |  |
|                                     | DMS Exchange Present        |  |  |  |
|                                     | gas exchange modeled?       |  |  |  |
| Sele                                | et either TRUE or FALSE:    |  |  |  |
|                                     | True False                  |  |  |  |
| 1.7.7 Specify I                     | DMS Exchange Type           |  |  |  |
| Enter TEXT:                         |                             |  |  |  |
| 1.7.8 N2 Exchange Present *         |                             |  |  |  |
| Is N2 gas exchange modeled ?        |                             |  |  |  |
| Select either TRUE or FALSE:        |                             |  |  |  |
|                                     | True False                  |  |  |  |
| 1.7.9                               | N2 Exchange Type            |  |  |  |
| Specify N2 gas exchange scheme type |                             |  |  |  |
| Enter TEXT:                         |                             |  |  |  |

| 1.7.10 N2O Exchange Present *   |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| Is N2O gas exchange modeled?  |  |  |
| Select either TRUE or FALSE:  |  |  |
| ☐ True ☐ False  |  |  |
|   |  |  |
| 1.7.11 N2O Exchange Type  |  |  |
| Specify N2O gas exchange scheme type  |  |  |
| Enter TEXT:   |  |  |
| 1.7.12 CFC11 Exchange Present * Is CFC11 gas exchange modeled ?                                       |  |  |
| Select either TRUE or FALSE:  |  |  |
| ☐ True ☐ False  |  |  |
|   |  |  |
| 1.7.13 CFC11 Exchange Type  |  |  |
| Specify CFC11 gas exchange scheme type  |  |  |
| Enter TEXT:   |  |  |
| 1.7.14 CFC12 Exchange Present * Is CFC12 gas exchange modeled ?                                       |  |  |
| •   |  |  |
| Select either TRUE or FALSE:  |  |  |
| ☐ True ☐ False  |  |  |
| 1.7.15 CFC12 Exchange Type  |  |  |
| Specify CFC12 gas exchange scheme type  |  |  |
| T   |  |  |
| Enter TEXT:   |  |  |
| 1.7.16 SF6 Exchange Present *   |  |  |
|   |  |  |
| 1.7.16 SF6 Exchange Present *   |  |  |
| 1.7.16 SF6 Exchange Present *  Is SF6 gas exchange modeled?   |  |  |
| 1.7.16 SF6 Exchange Present *  Is SF6 gas exchange modeled?  Select either TRUE or FALSE:             |  |  |
| 1.7.16 SF6 Exchange Present *  Is SF6 gas exchange modeled?  Select either TRUE or FALSE:  True False |  |  |

| 1.7.18 13CO2 Exchange Present *   |
|---|
| Is 13CO2 gas exchange modeled?  |
| Select either TRUE or FALSE:  |
| ☐ True ☐ False  |
|   |
| 1.7.19 13CO2 Exchange Type  |
| Specify 13CO2 gas exchange scheme type  |
| Enter TEXT:   |
| 1.7.20 14CO2 Exchange Present *   |
| Is 14CO2 gas exchange modeled ?   |
| Select either TRUE or FALSE:  |
| ☐ True ☐ False  |
|   |
| 1.7.21 14CO2 Exchange Type  |
| Specify 14CO2 gas exchange scheme type  |
| Enter TEXT:   |
| 1.7.22 Other Gases  |
| Specify any other gas exchange  |
| Enter TEXT:   |
| 1.8 Carbon Chemistry  |
| Properties of carbon chemistry biogeochemistry  |
| Troperies of caroon enemistry diogeochemistry   |
| 1.8.1 Overview  |
| $Overview\ of\ properties\ of\ carbon\ chemistry\ biogeochemistry\ in\ ocnbgchem\ model.$ |
| Enter TEXT:   |
| 1.8.2 Type *  |
| Describe how carbon chemistry is modeled  |
| Select SINGLE option:   |
| OMIP protocol   |
| Other protocol  |

### 1.8.3 Ph Scale

If NOT OMIP protocol, describe pH scale.

# Select SINGLE option: Sea water Free Other - please specify:

### 1.8.4 Constants If Not OMIP

If NOT OMIP protocol, list carbon chemistry constants.

Enter COMMA SEPERATED list:

# 1.9 Tuning Applied

Tuning methodology for ocean biogeochemistry component

### 1.9.1 Overview

Overview of tuning methodology for ocean biogeochemistry component in ocnbgchem model.

Enter TEXT:

# 1.9.2 Description \*

General overview description of tuning: explain and motivate the main targets and metrics retained. and Document the relative weight given to climate performance metrics versus process oriented metrics, and on the possible conflicts with parameterization level tuning. In particular describe any struggle and with a parameter value that required pushing it to its limits to solve a particular model deficiency.

Enter TEXT:

# 1.9.3 Global Mean Metrics Used

List set of metrics of the global mean state used in tuning model/component

Enter COMMA SEPERATED list:

# 1.9.4 Regional Metrics Used

List of regional metrics of mean state used in tuning model/component

Enter COMMA SEPERATED list:

# 1.9.5 Trend Metrics Used

 $List\ observed\ trend\ metrics\ used\ in\ tuning\ model/component$ 

Enter COMMA SEPERATED list:

# 2 Tracers

| Occan | hiogoog | hemistry  | tracore |
|-------|---------|-----------|---------|
| Occur | uluycuc | nchiosi y | uuccis  |

| 2. | 1 | Tracers |
|----|---|---------|
|    |   |         |

 $Ocean\ biogeochemistry\ tracers$ 

# 2.1.1 Name

 $Commonly\ used\ name\ for\ the\ tracers\ in\ ocnbgchem\ model.$ 

Enter TEXT:

### 2.1.2 Overview

 $Overview\ of\ ocean\ biogeochemistry\ tracers\ in\ ocnbgchem\ model.$ 

Enter TEXT:

# 2.1.3 Sulfur Cycle Present \*

Is sulfur cycle modeled ?

| Sele | ct either | TRUE or | FALSE |
|------|-----------|---------|-------|
|      | True      |         | False |

# 2.1.4 Nutrients Present \*

 $List\ nutrient\ species\ present\ in\ ocean\ biogeochemistry\ model$ 

| Select MULTIPLE options: |                         |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|
|                          | Nitrogen (N)            |
|                          | Phosphorous (P)         |
|                          | Silicon (S)             |
|                          | Iron (Fe)               |
|                          | Other - please specify: |

# 2.1.5 Nitrous Species If N

 ${\it If \ nitrogen \ present, \ list \ nitrous \ species.}$ 

| Select MULTIPLE options: |                         |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|
|                          | Nitrates (NO3)          |
|                          | Amonium (NH4)           |
| П                        | Other - please specify: |

| 2.1.6               | Nitrous Processes If N  |
|---------------------|---|
| If $nitrog\epsilon$ | en present, list nitrous processes.   |
| Selec               | ct MULTIPLE options:  |
|                     | Dentrification  |
|                     | N fixation  |
|                     | Other - please specify:   |
| 2.2                 | Ecosystem   |
| E cosyst            | em properties in ocean biogeochemistry  |
| 2.2.1               | Overview  |
|                     | of ecosystem properties in ocean biogeochemistry in ocnbgchem model.  |
| Ente                | er TEXT:  |
| Describe            | Upper Trophic Levels Definition * how upper trophic levels are defined in model (e.g. based on size) er TEXT: |
| 2.2.3               | Upper Trophic Levels Treatment *  |
| Describe            | how upper trophic levels are treated in model   |
| Ente                | or TEXT:  |
| 2.3 ]               | Phytoplankton   |
|                     | ankton properties in ocean biogeochemistry  |
| 2.3.1               | Type *  |
| Type of p           | phytoplankton   |
| Selec               | ct SINGLE option:   |
|                     | None  |
|                     | Generic   |
|                     | PFT including size based (specify both below) - Plankton functional type including size based                 |
|                     | Size based only (specify below)   |
|                     | PFT only (specify below)  |

|            | Ptt kton functional types (PFT) (if applicable)   |
|------------|---|
|            | t MULTIPLE options:   |
|            | Diatoms   |
|            | Nfixers   |
|            |   |
|            | Calcifiers  |
|            | Other - please specify:   |
| 2.3.3      | Size Classes  |
| Phytoplan  | kton size classes (if applicable)   |
| Selec      | t MULTIPLE options:   |
|            | Microphytoplankton  |
|            | Nanophytoplankton   |
|            | Picophytoplankton   |
|            | Other - please specify:   |
|            |   |
| 2.4 Z      | Zooplankton   |
| Zooplank   | kton properties in ocean biogeochemistry  |
| 2.4.1      | Гуре *  |
| Type of ze | poplankton  |
| Selec      | t SINGLE option:  |
|            | None  |
|            | Generic   |
|            | Size based (specify below)  |
|            | Size based (specify below)  |
| Ш          | Other - please specify:   |
| 242 9      | Other - please specify:   |
|            | Other - please specify: Size Classes  |
| Zooplankt  | Other - please specify: Size Classes on size classes (if applicable)                      |
| Zooplankt  | Other - please specify:  Size Classes on size classes (if applicable) t MULTIPLE options: |
| Zooplankt  | Other - please specify: Size Classes on size classes (if applicable)                      |

# 2.5 Disolved Organic Matter

Prognostic

 $Disolved\ organic\ matter\ properties\ in\ ocean\ biogeochemistry$ 

| 2.5.1    | Overview   |
|----------|--|
| Overvieu | v of disolved organic matter properties in ocean biogeochemistry in ocnbgchem model. |
| Ente     | er TEXT:   |
| 2.5.2    | Bacteria Present * bacteria representation ?   |
|          | ct either TRUE or FALSE:   |
| Sele     | П  |
| Ш        | True   |
| 2.5.3    | Lability *   |
| Describe | treatment of lability in dissolved organic matter                                    |
| Sele     | ct SINGLE option:  |
|          | None   |
|          | Labile - Less than a few days  |
|          | Semi-labile - Few days to a few years  |
|          | Refractory - Over a few years  |
|          | Other - please specify:  |
| 2.6      | Particules   |
| Particu  | late carbon properties in ocean biogeochemistry                                      |
| 2.6.1    | Overview   |
| Overvieu | v of particulate carbon properties in ocean biogeochemistry in ocnbgchem model.      |
| Ente     | er TEXT:   |
| 2.6.2    | Method *   |
| How is p | particulate carbon represented in ocean biogeochemistry?                             |
| Sele     | ct MULTIPLE options:   |
|          | Diagnostic   |
|          | Diagnostic (Martin profile)  |
|          | Diagnostic (Balast)  |

|           | Other - please specify:  |
|-----------|--|
| 2.6.3     | Types If Prognostic  |
| If progne | $ostic, \ type(s) \ of \ particulate \ matter \ taken \ into \ account$                                      |
| Sele      | ect MULTIPLE options:  |
|           | POC  |
|           | PIC (calcite)  |
|           | PIC (aragonite   |
|           | BSi  |
|           | Other - please specify:  |
| 2.6.4     | Size If Prognostic   |
| If progne | ostic, describe if a particule size spectrum is used to represent distribution of particules in water volume |
| Sele      | ect SINGLE option:   |
|           | No size spectrum used  |
|           | Full size spectrum   |
|           | Discrete size classes (specify which below)  |
| 2.6.5     | Size If Discrete   |
| If progne | ostic and discrete size, describe which size classes are used  |
| Ente      | er TEXT:   |
| 2.6.6     | Sinking Speed If Prognostic  |
| If progne | ostic, method for calculation of sinking speed of particules   |
| Sele      | ect SINGLE option:   |
|           | Constant   |
|           | Function of particule size   |
|           | Function of particule type (balast)  |
|           | Other - please specify:  |
|           |  |

# 2.7 Dic Alkalinity

 $DIC\ and\ alkalinity\ properties\ in\ ocean\ biogeochemistry$ 

| 2.7.1 Overview  |
|---|
| $Overview\ of\ dic\ and\ alkalinity\ properties\ in\ ocean\ biogeochemistry\ in\ ocnbgchem\ model.$ |
| Enter TEXT:   |
| 2.7.2 Carbon Isotopes *   |
| Which carbon isotopes are modelled (C13, C14)?  |
| Select MULTIPLE options:  |
| ☐ C13   |
| ☐ C14)  |
|   |
| 2.7.3 Abiotic Carbon *  |
| Is abiotic carbon modelled ?  |
| Select either TRUE or FALSE:  |
| ☐ True ☐ False  |
|   |
| 2.7.4 Alkalinity *  |
| How is alkalinity modelled ?  |
| Select SINGLE option:   |

Prognostic

Diagnostic)