

## PRODUCT USER MANUAL

# For Mediterranean Sea Biogeochemical Analysis and Forecasting Product MEDSEA\_ANALYSISFORECAST\_BGC\_006\_014

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## GLOSSARY AND ABBREVIATIONS

Analysis (Numerical)	a detailed study of the state of the ocean done in Near real Time based on observations and numerical model. The operational prediction centre produces 3D time-space analysis systems.							
	A long series of analyses is of great utility for studying the behavior of the ocean system.							
BFM	Biogeochemical Flux Model							
CF	Climate Forecast (convention for NetCDF)							
CHL	Chlorophyll							
CMEMS	Copernicus Marine Environment Monitoring Service							
DIC	Dissolved Inorganic Carbon							
FAQ	Frequently Asked Question							
Forecast (Numerical)	a computer forecast or prediction based on equations governing th motions and the forces affecting motion of fluids. The equations ar based, or initialized, on specified ocean conditions at a certain plac and time (NOAA Glossary).							
ICNP	In situ Chlorophyll and Nitrate Profiles							
Med/MED	Mediterranean							
MFC	Monitoring and Forecasting Centre							
NetCDF	Network Common Data Form							
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration							
OCTAC	Ocean Color Thematic Assembly Centre							
OGS	Istituto Nazionale di Oceanografia e di Geofisica Sperimentale							
pCO2	partial pressure of carbon dioxide							
PFT	Plankton Functional Types							
рН	potential of Hydrogen							
PU	Production Unit							
3DVAR	Three-Dimensional Variational							

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INTRODUCTION

## I.1 Summary

This document is the user manual for the Copernicus Marine analysis and forecast product **MEDSEA\_ANALYSISFORECAST\_BGC\_006\_014**. An archive of analysis over the last two years up to real-time is available on the Marine Data Store.

The product is composed by 3D daily and monthly mean concentration of chlorophyll, nitrate, phosphate, ammonium, silicate, primary production, oxygen, phytoplankton carbon biomass and relative four functional types (PFT), zooplankton carbon biomass, pH, dissolved inorganic carbon, alkalinity, and 2D daily and monthly mean of surface partial pressure of CO2, surface flux of CO2, and light attenuation coefficient.

## MEDSEA\_ANALYSISFORECAST\_BGC\_006\_014 product is organised in 13 datasets:

- 6 contain the monthly mean fields for all the variables
  - o cmems\_mod\_med\_bgc-bio\_anfc\_4.2km\_P1M-m
  - o cmems\_mod\_med\_bgc-car\_anfc\_4.2km\_P1M-m
  - cmems\_mod\_med\_bgc-co2\_anfc\_4.2km\_P1M-m
  - cmems\_mod\_med\_bgc-nut\_anfc\_4.2km\_P1M-m
  - o cmems\_mod\_med\_bgc-pft\_anfc\_4.2km\_P1M-m
  - o cmems\_mod\_med\_bgc-optics\_anfc\_4.2km\_P1M-m
- 6 contain the daily mean fields for all the variables
  - o cmems\_mod\_med\_bgc-bio\_anfc\_4.2km\_P1D-m
  - o cmems mod med bgc-car anfc 4.2km P1D-m
  - o cmems\_mod\_med\_bgc-co2\_anfc\_4.2km\_P1D-m
  - cmems\_mod\_med\_bgc-nut\_anfc\_4.2km\_P1D-m
  - cmems\_mod\_med\_bgc-pft\_anfc\_4.2km\_P1D-m
  - cmems\_mod\_med\_bgc-optics\_anfc\_4.2km\_P1D-m
- 1 contains the static fields for the system (coordinates, mask, and bathymetry):
   cmems\_mod\_med\_bgc\_anfc\_4.2km\_static

The product is published on the Copernicus Marine dissemination server after automatic and human quality controls. Files downloaded are in NetCDF format.

Disclaimer: The quality of the product may vary during the proposed time series depending on the possible update of the system.









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## I.2 History of changes

Date	Description
21.01.2019	New template and inclusion of new datasets
06.12.2019	New datasets
15.01.2021	New product and new datasets
10.09.2021	Upgrade of forcing
29.11.2022	Quality improvement and additional dataset
30.11.2023	Updated datasets including 8 additional new variables
26.11.2024	Re-delivery of entire time series from 2 years before present for quality improvement and upstream data change







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## II DESCRIPTION OF THE PRODUCT SPECIFICATION

## **II.1** General Information

Product Lines	medsea_analysisforecast_bgc_006_014									
Geographical coverage	5.541667°W → 36.29167°E; 30.187	5°N → 45.97917°N								
Variables	Nitrate									
	Phosphate									
	Ammonium									
	Silicate									
	Phytoplankton Carbon Biomass									
	Zooplankton Carbon Biomass									
	Chlorophyll									
	Primary Production									
	Oxygen									
	рН									
	Dissolved Inorganic Carbon									
	Alkalinity									
	Surface partial pressure of CO2									
	Surface CO2 flux									
	Light attenuation coefficient									
	Diatoms carbon biomass									
	Diatoms chlorophyll concentrat									
	Nanoflagellates carbon biomas									
	Nanoflagellates chlorophyll con									
	Picophytoplankton carbon bion									
	Picophytoplankton chlorophyll of Dinoflagellates carbon biomass	concentration								
	Dinoflagellates chlorophyll cond	centration								
Product Type										
Product Type	Analysis Forecast									
Update frequency	Weekly	Daily								
Available time series	last two years up to real-time	10-days forecast								

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Target delivery time	On Tuesday at 22:00 UTC	Daily at 22:00 UTC						
Temporal resolution	• cmems_mod_med_bgc-bio_anfc_4.2km_P1D-m, cmems_mod_med_bgc-car_anfc_4.2km_P1D-m, cmems_mod_med_bgc-co2_anfc_4.2km_P1D-m, cmems_mod_med_bgc-nut_anfc_4.2km_P1D-m, cmems_mod_med_bgc-pft_anfc_4.2km_P1D-m, cmems_mod_med_bgc-optics_anfc_4.2km_P1D-m:							
	<ul> <li>daily mean</li> <li>cmems_mod_med_bgc-bio_anfc_4.2km_P1M-m,         cmems_mod_med_bgc-car_anfc_4.2km_P1M-m,         cmems_mod_med_bgc-co2_anfc_4.2km_P1M-m,         cmems_mod_med_bgc-nut_anfc_4.2km_P1M-m,         cmems_mod_med_bgc-pft_anfc_4.2km_P1M-m,         cmems_mod_med_bgc-optics_anfc_4.2km_P1M-m: month         mean</li> </ul>							
Horizontal resolution	1/24°							
Number of vertical levels	125							
Format	NetCDF CF1.0							
Delivery mechanisms	MDS							

Table 1: MED-MFC Real Time products

#### The runtime schedule:

MEDSEA\_ANALYSISFORECAST\_BGC\_006\_014

The MedBFM Production follows a split temporal scheme: a weekly assimilation/analysis and a daily forecast.

The system produces seven days of analysis (weekly on Tuesday) with the assimilation of surface chlorophyll and of vertical profiles of chlorophyll, nitrate, and oxygen. One day of hindcast and ten days of forecast are produced daily.







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## II.2 Details of datasets

#### MEDSEA\_ANALYSISFORECAST\_BGC\_006\_014

#### Datasets:

- cmems\_mod\_med\_bgc-bio\_anfc\_4.2km\_P1M-m
- cmems\_mod\_med\_bgc-car\_anfc\_4.2km\_P1M-m
- cmems\_mod\_med\_bgc-co2\_anfc\_4.2km\_P1M-m
- cmems\_mod\_med\_bgc-nut\_anfc\_4.2km\_P1M-m
- cmems\_mod\_med\_bgc-pft\_anfc\_4.2km\_P1M-m
- cmems\_mod\_med\_bgc-optics\_anfc\_4.2km\_P1M-m

contain the monthly mean fields for all the variables

- cmems\_mod\_med\_bgc-bio\_anfc\_4.2km\_P1D-m
- cmems\_mod\_med\_bgc-car\_anfc\_4.2km\_P1D-m
- cmems\_mod\_med\_bgc-co2\_anfc\_4.2km\_P1D-m
- cmems\_mod\_med\_bgc-nut\_anfc\_4.2km\_P1D-m
- cmems\_mod\_med\_bgc-pft\_anfc\_4.2km\_P1D-m
- cmems\_mod\_med\_bgc-optics\_anfc\_4.2km\_P1D-m

contain the daily mean fields for all the variables

• cmems\_mod\_med\_bgc\_anfc\_4.2km\_static

contains the static fields for the system: coordinates, mean sea surface level, mask, and bathymetry

#### Variables name in the NetCDF file and Unit: Long\_name & Standard\_name

**no3** [mmol m-3]

**Nitrate** 

mole\_concentration\_of\_nitrate\_in\_sea\_water

**po4** [mmol m-3]

Phosphate

mole\_concentration\_of\_phosphate\_in\_sea\_water

**nh4** [mmol m-3]

Ammonium

mole\_concentration\_of\_ammonium\_in\_sea\_water

si [mmol m-3]

Silicate

mole\_concentration\_of\_silicate\_in\_sea\_water

phyc [mmol m-3]

Phytoplankton Carbon Biomass

mole\_concentration\_of\_phytoplankton\_expressed\_as\_carbon\_in\_sea\_water

**zooc** [mmol m-3]

Zooplankton Carbon Biomass

mole\_concentration\_of\_zooplankton\_expressed\_as\_carbon\_in\_sea\_water

**chl** [mg m-3]









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Chlorophyll

mass\_concentration\_of\_chlorophyll\_a\_in\_sea\_water

nppv [mg m-3 day-1]

**Net Primary Production** 

net\_primary\_production\_of\_biomass\_expressed\_as\_carbon\_per\_unit\_volume\_in\_sea\_water

**o2** [mmol m-3]

Dissolved oxygen

mole\_concentration\_of\_dissolved\_molecular\_oxygen\_in\_sea\_water

**ph** [1]

Ocean pH

sea\_water\_ph\_reported\_on\_total\_scale

dissic [mol m-3]

Dissolved Inorganic Carbon

mole\_concentration\_of\_dissolved\_inorganic\_carbon\_in\_sea\_water

talk [mol m-3]

**Alkalinity** 

sea\_water\_alkalinity\_expressed\_as\_mole\_equivalent

spco2 [Pa]

Surface partial pressure of CO2

surface\_partial\_pressure\_of\_carbon\_dioxide\_in\_sea\_water

**fgco2** [kg m-2 s-1]

Surface CO2 flux

surface\_downward\_mass\_flux\_of\_carbon\_dioxide\_expressed\_as\_carbon

kd490 [m-1]

Diffuse attenuation coefficient of the downwelling irradiance at 490 nm

volume\_attenuation\_coefficient\_of\_downwelling\_radiative\_flux\_in\_sea\_water\_490

diatoC [mmol m-3]

Diatoms Carbon Biomass

mole\_concentration\_of\_diatoms\_expressed\_as\_carbon\_in\_sea\_water

diatoChla [mg m-3]

Diatoms Chlorophyll concentration

mass\_concentration\_of\_diatoms\_expressed\_as\_chlorophyll\_in\_sea\_water

nanoC [mmol m-3]

Nanoflagellates Carbon Biomass

mole\_concentration\_of\_nanoflagellates\_expressed\_as\_carbon\_in\_sea\_water

nanoChla [mg m-3]

Nanoflagellates Chlorophyll concentration

mass\_concentration\_of\_nanoflagellates\_expressed\_as\_chlorophyll\_in\_sea\_water

picoC [mmol m-3]

Picophytoplankton Carbon Biomass

mole\_concentration\_of\_picophytoplankton\_expressed\_as\_carbon\_in\_sea\_water

picoChla [mg m-3]

Picophytoplankton Chlorophyll concentration

mass\_concentration\_of\_picophytoplankton\_expressed\_as\_chlorophyll\_in\_sea\_water

dinoC [mmol m-3]

Dinoflagellates Carbon Biomass

mole\_concentration\_of\_dinoflagellates\_expressed\_as\_carbon\_in\_sea\_water

dinoChla [mg m-3]

Dinoflagellates Chlorophyll concentration

mass\_concentration\_of\_dinoflagellates\_expressed\_as\_chlorophyll\_in\_sea\_water

**e1t** [m]

Cell dimension along X axis

**e2t** [m]









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Cell dimension along Y axis

**e3t** [m]

Cell dimension along Z axis

cell thickness

mask [1]

Land-sea mask: 1 = sea; 0 = land

sea\_binary\_mask

deptho [m]

Bathymetry

sea\_floor\_depth\_below\_geoid

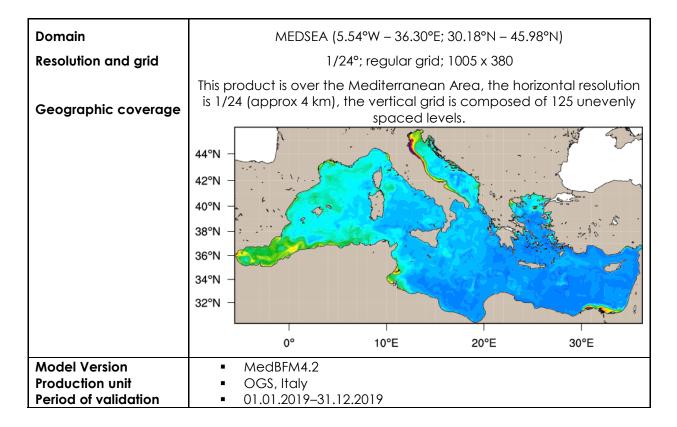
deptho\_lev [1]

Model level number at sea floor

model\_level\_number\_at\_sea\_floor

Table 2: list of the datasets and variable names and unit for the MEDSEA\_ANALYSISFORECAST\_BGC\_006\_014 product

## **II.3 Production System Description**











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Vertical grid	The product is delivered at the model's native grid, with up to 125 vertical levels:
	levels [m]: 1.018237, 3.165747, 5.464963, 7.920377, 10.5366, 13.31838, 16.27059, 19.39821, 22.70639, 26.2004, 29.88564, 33.76767, 37.85219, 42.14504, 46.65221, 51.37986, 56.33429, 61.52196, 66.94949, 72.62369, 78.5515, 84.74004, 91.19663, 97.92873, 104.944, 112.2502, 119.8554, 127.7678, 135.9958, 144.5479, 153.4328, 162.6596, 172.2374, 182.1754, 192.4831, 203.1704, 214.2472, 225.7234, 237.6095, 249.9158, 262.6532, 275.8325, 289.4648, 303.5613, 318.1335, 333.1931, 348.752, 364.822, 381.4154, 398.5447, 416.2223, 434.4611, 453.2738, 472.6735, 492.6735, 513.287, 534.5276, 556.4089, 578.9446, 602.1486, 626.0349, 650.6176, 675.9107, 701.9286, 728.6856, 756.196, 784.4743, 813.5349, 843.3922, 874.0607, 905.5548, 937.8891, 971.0779, 1005.135, 1040.076, 1075.914, 1112.664, 1150.338, 1188.952, 1228.519, 1269.052, 1310.564, 1353.069, 1396.58, 1441.109, 1486.668, 1533.269, 1580.925, 1629.647, 1679.445, 1730.33, 1782.314, 1835.405, 1889.613, 1944.947, 2001.417, 2059.029, 2117.792, 2177.714, 2238.8, 2301.058, 2364.492, 2429.108, 2494.91, 2561.903, 2630.09, 2699.474, 2770.057, 2841.841, 2914.827, 2989.016, 3064.407, 3141.001, 3218.796, 3297.79, 3377.981, 3459.366, 3541.942, 3625.704, 3710.647, 3796.768, 3884.06, 3972.516, 4062.13, 4152.896
Atmospheric forcing	ECMWF atmospheric forcing at 1/10 degrees: 6-hourly analysis; 1 hour for the first 3 days of forecast, 3 hours for the following 3 days of forecast and 6 hours for the last 4 days of forecast
Boundary forcing	The Mediterranean modeling system is forced at the Atlantic side by climatological profiles based on World Ocean Atlas 2018 and GLODAPv2 datasets. The open boundary conditions at the Dardanelles Strait for nitrate, phosphate, silicate, DIC, alkalinity are set to constant values using literature information after a tuning procedure; a radiative condition at the open boundary is set for the other BFM tracers.
Assimilation scheme	3DVarBio (3DVAR)
Assimilated observations	Surface chlorophyll from multi-sensor satellite (MODIS-AQUA, NOAA20-VIIRS, NPP-VIIRS and Sentinel3A-OLCI sensors) data provided by CMEMS OCTAC; in-situ chlorophyll, nitrate, and oxygen profiles (ICNOP) from Biogeochemical Argo floats (provided by CORIOLIS data repository). Reconstructed nitrate profiles from BGC-Argo and PPCon convolutional neural network (Pietropolli et al. 2023)
Initial conditions (spin- up process)	Sub-basin climatological profiles from MedBGCins dataset (Di Biagio et al., 2024) that integrates in-situ aggregated EMODnet data collections (Buga et al., 2018), datasets listed in Lazzari et al. (2016) and Cossarini et al. (2015), and additional data.
Bathymetry	GEBCO 30sec interpolated on the model grid

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River run-off and nutrient and carbon discharges

Runoff Rivers input from Perseus dataset

High-resolution data of Po River runoff

Nutrient and Carbon discharges from Perseus dataset and literature.

The biogeochemical analysis and forecasts for the Mediterranean Sea at 1/24 degree are produced by means of the MedBFM model system (i.e., the physical-biogeochemical OGSTM-BFM model, integrated with the OASIM optics model and coupled with the 3DVarBio assimilation scheme). MedBFM model is run by OGS and uses as physical forcing the outputs of the Med-PHY products. Assimilated observations are (i) surface chlorophyll concentration from satellite observations (provided by the Copernicus Marine-OCTAC); (ii) chlorophyll, nitrate, and oxygen from Biogeochemical Argo floats (provided by CORIOLIS); (iii) reconstructed nitrate profiles from BGC-Argo and PPCon convolutional neural network (Pietropolli et al. 2023).

#### II.3.1.1 Production Cycle

**MEDSEA\_ANALYSISFORECAST\_BGC\_006\_014** analysis and forecast products are updated daily within 22 UTC. The production is composed by 7 days of analysis (A, with data assimilation), 1 day of hindcasts (H) and 10 days of forecast (F) for the Tuesday run; 1 day of hindcast (H) and 10 days of forecast (F) daily. An example of aggregated product is shown in the Figure below.

	days w.r.t. Tuesday of A&F cycle = 1																																	
A&F cycle	-10	-9	-8	-7	-6	-5	-4	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15								
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## **II.4 Processing information**

#### II.4.1 Update Time

Daily datasets are updated at 22:00 UTC.

The monthly dataset is updated monthly on the 20<sup>th</sup> (addition of the monthly mean of the previous month).

#### II.4.2 Temporal extent of analysis and forecast stored on delivery mechanism

An archive of analysis over the last two years up to real-time is available.

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### II.4.3 Time averaging

For the monthly dataset, the fields are monthly means over the calendar month (first to last day of the month).

For daily datasets,

- cmems\_mod\_med\_bgc-bio\_anfc\_4.2km\_P1D-m
- cmems\_mod\_med\_bgc-car\_anfc\_4.2km\_P1D-m
- cmems\_mod\_med\_bgc-co2\_anfc\_4.2km\_P1D-m
- cmems\_mod\_med\_bgc-nut\_anfc\_4.2km\_P1D-m
- cmems\_mod\_med\_bgc-pft\_anfc\_4.2km\_P1D-m

the fields are daily means over a day (midnight to midnight, centered at midday). For the daily optical one:

cmems\_mod\_med\_bgc-optics\_anfc\_4.2km\_P1D-m

the fields are means over 4 hours (from 10AM to 2PM, centered at midday).









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## III. FILE FORMAT

The products are stored using the NetCDF format. To know more about the NetCDF format, please follow this link:

What is the format of Copernicus Marine products? NetCDF

To understand the differences between netCDF and Zarr, please consult this article:

how-to-choose-between-netcdf-and-zarr-format-using-the-toolbox







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## IV FILES NOMENCLATURE

Information about nomenclature of files when downloaded can be found in this article: " <u>How is defined the nomenclature of Copernicus Marine data? | Copernicus Marine Help Center</u>"

# IV.1 Nomenclature of files when downloaded through the Web Portal Subset Service

MEDSEA\_ANALYSISFORECAST\_BGC\_006\_014 files nomenclature when downloaded through the Copernicus Marine Web Portal Subsetr is based on product dataset name and a numerical reference related to the request date on the portal.

The scheme is: datasetname\_nnnnnnnnnnnn.nc

#### where:

- datasetname: as described previously
- **nnnnnnnnnnn**: 13-digit integer corresponding to the current time (download time) in milliseconds since January 1, 1970 midnight UTC.
- .nc: standard NetCDF filename extension.

Example: cmems mod med bgc-bio anfc 4.2km P1D-m 1303461772348.nc

## IV.2 Nomenclature of original files

MEDSEA\_ANALYSISFORECAST\_BGC\_006\_014 files nomenclature when downloaded through the Copernicus Marine FTP service is based as follows:

{valid date}\_{freq flag}-{producer}--{parameter}-{config}-{region}-{bul date}\_{product type}-sv{file version}.nc

#### where

- valid date YYYYMMDD is the validity day of the data in the file
- **freq flag** is the frequency of data values in the file (h = hourly, hts = hourly time series, d = daily, m=monthly)
- producer is a short version of the CMS production unit
- **config** identifies the producing system and configuration
- **region** is a maximum six letter code for the region
- **parameter** is a four-letter code for the parameter or parameter set from Standard BODC.
- bul date bYYYYMMDD is the bulletin date the product was produced
- **product type** is a two-letter code for the product type, for example fc for forecast, an for analysis and sm for hindcast.









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• **file version** is xx.yy where xx is the CMS version and yy is an incremental version number

Table 1 shows the nomenclature for the MEDSEA\_ANALYSISFORECAST\_BGC\_006\_014 products.

Table 1 Description of the nomenclature for MEDSEA\_ANALYSISFORECAST\_BGC\_006\_014

valid date	YYYYMMDD
freq flag	m (monthly) d (daily)
producer	OGS
config	MedBFM4
region	MED
parameter	NUTR PFTC BIOL CARB CO2F EXCO
bul date	bYYYYMMDD
product type	fc (forecast) an (analysis) sm (hindcast)
file version	09.00

Example for an analysis file:

20190501\_d-OGS--PFTC-MedBFM4-MED-b20210112\_an-sv09.00.nc

This is the mean field of biogeochemistry centered at 12:00 UTC of the 1st May 2019, and the time coverage is from midnight (00:00 UTC) of the 1st May 2019 to midnight (00:00 UTC) of the 2nd May 2019.

# IV.3 Other information: mean centre of Products, land mask value, missing value

The missing value for this product is: 1.e+20

Land mask is equal to "\_FillValue" (see variable attribute on NetCDF file).

Real\_Value = (Display\_Value X scale\_factor) + add\_offset

The BGC forecasts are using the NetCDF4 format without offset nor scale factors.

In the CMEMS online system data from the latest 2 years (running window) are available via these download interfaces: Subsetter and FTP download







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IV.4 File size

DATASET NAME	FILE NAME	DIMENSIO N [MB]
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cmems_mod_med_bgc- nut_anfc_4.2km_P1D-m	{date1}_d-OGSNUTR-MedBFM4-MED- b{date2}_sm-sv09.00.nc	120
	{date1}_d-OGSNUTR-MedBFM4-MED- b{date2}_an-sv09.00.nc	
	{date1}_d-OGSPFTC-MedBFM4-MED- b{date2}_fc- sv09.00.nc	
cmems_mod_med_bgc- pft_anfc_4.2km_P1D-m	{date1}_d-OGS PFTC-MedBFM4-MED- b{date2}_sm- sv09.00.nc	335
	{date1}_d-OGSPFTC-MedBFM4-MED- b{date2}_an- sv09.00.nc	
	{date1}_d-OGSBIOL-MedBFM4-MED- b{date2}_fc- sv09.00.nc	
cmems_mod_med_bgc- bio_anfc_4.2km_P1D-m	{date1}_d-OGSBIOL-MedBFM4-MED- b{date2}_sm- sv09.00.nc	61
	{date1}_d-OGSBIOL-MedBFM4-MED- b{date2}_an- sv09.00.nc	
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	{date1}_d-OGSCO2F-MedBFM4-MED- b{date2}_fc- sv09.00.nc	
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	{date1}_d-OGSEXCO-MedBFM4-MED- b{date2}_an- sv09.00.nc	
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cmems_mod_med_bgc- pft_anfc_4.2km_P1M-m	{date1}_m-OGSPFTC-MedBFM4-MED- b{date2}_an-sv09.00.nc	335
cmems_mod_med_bgc- bio_anfc_4.2km_P1M-m	{date1}_m-OGSBIOL-MedBFM4-MED- b{date2}_an- sv09.00.nc	61
cmems_mod_med_bgc- car_anfc_4.2km_P1M-m	{date1}_m-OGSCARB-MedBFM4-MED- b{date2}_an- sv09.00.nc	64
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