

Particulate absorption and attenuation of the Arctic Ocean; Contribution of the Tara polar-circle expedition

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Introduction:

The Arctic ocean

The Tara polar circle expedition

Methodology of data acquisition and binning

Results:

distributions and frequency diagrams of $a_p(\lambda)$ and $c_p(\lambda)$

Biogeochemical parameters

Comparison with Tara Oceans

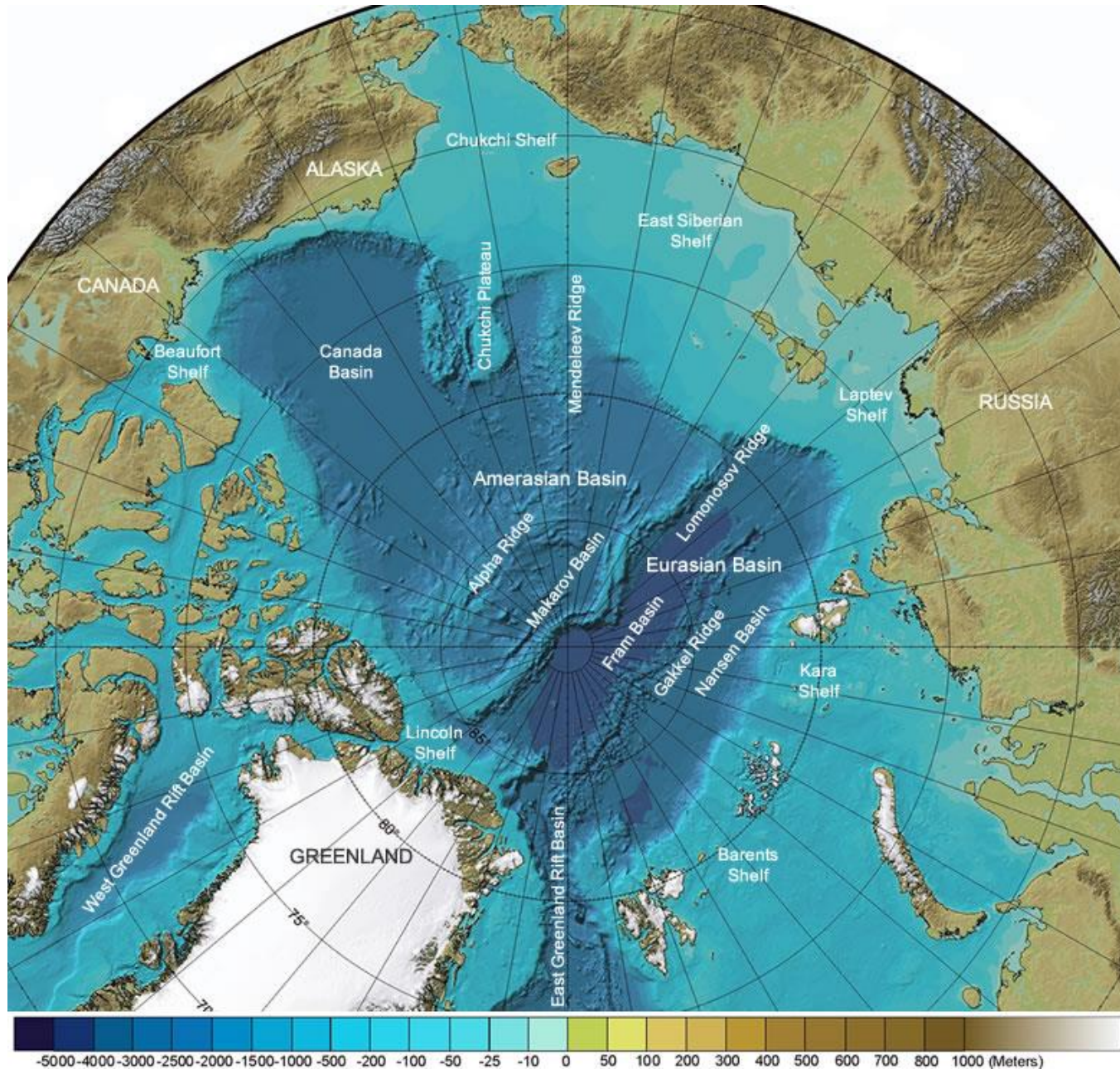
Science: linking size – chlorophyll – temperature

Future work:

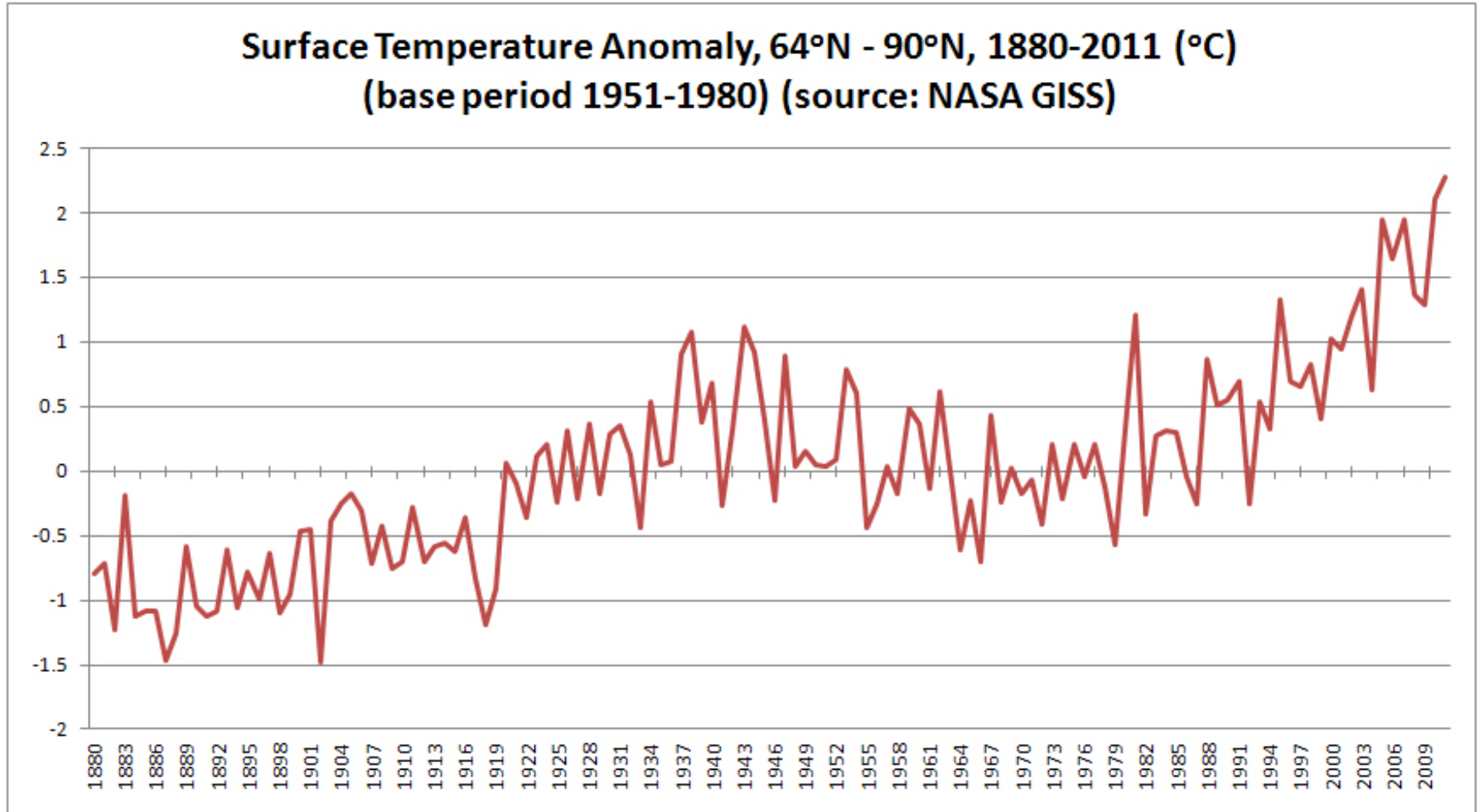
CDOM, $b_{bp}(\lambda)$, vertical profiles of $c_p(660)$, $b_{bp}(650)$, reflectance.

Link to: flowcytometry, imaging-cytometry, genetics, higher trophic levels

The Arctic ocean



Why study the Arctic?



Large changes in mean temperature

Large changes in mean ice cover

Northern Hemisphere Extent Anomalies Sep 2013

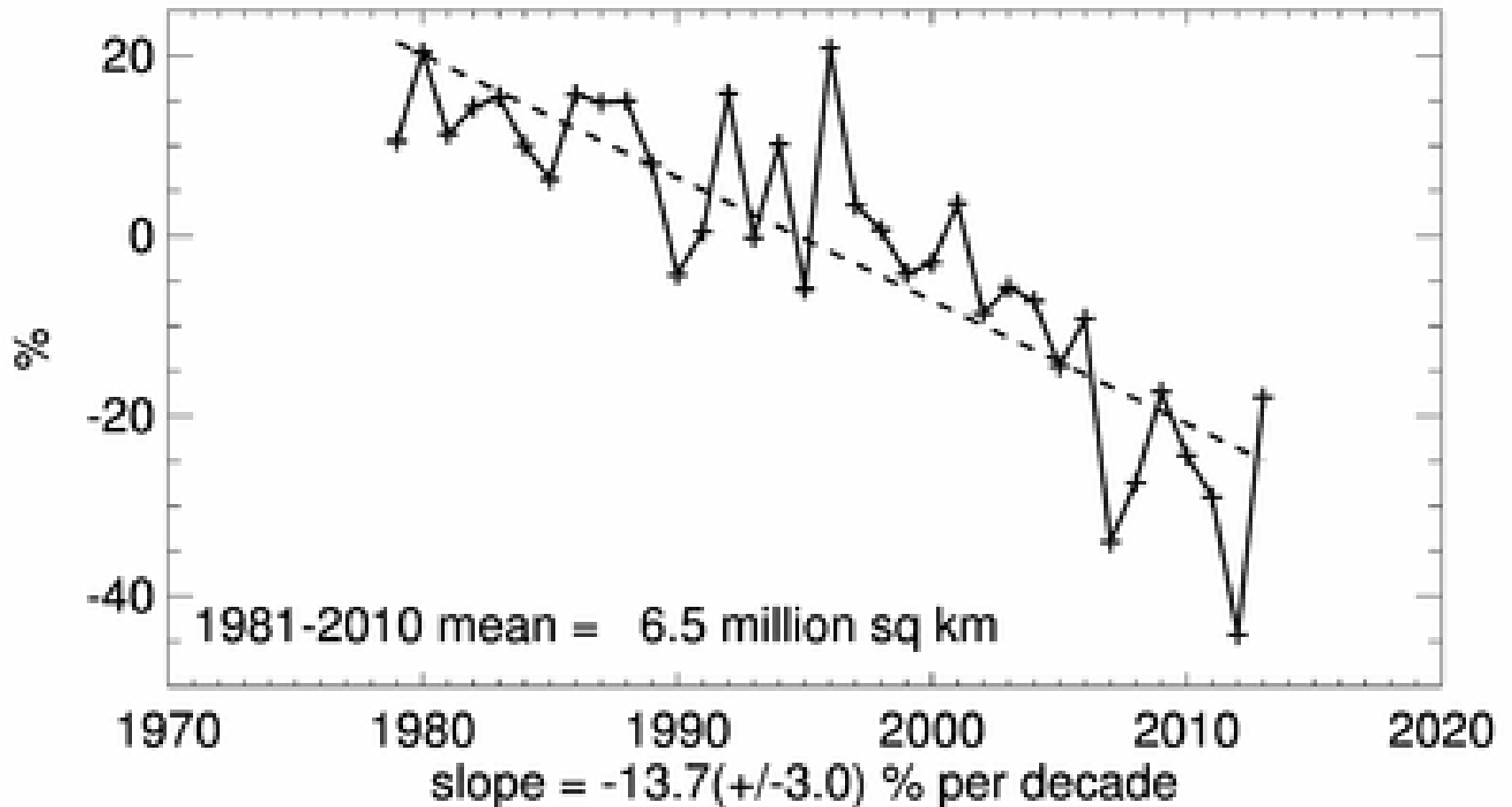




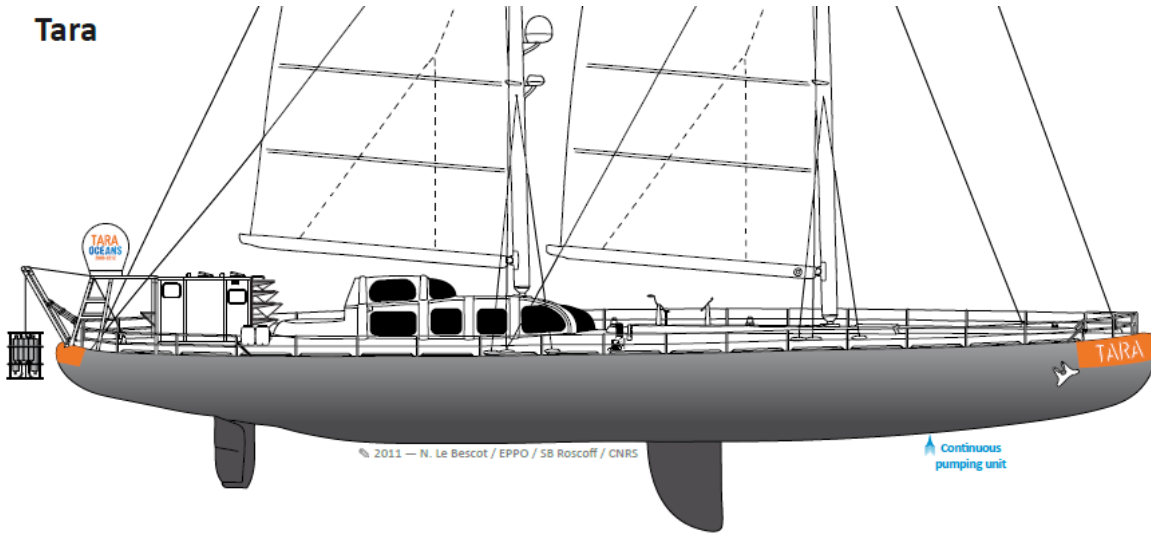
Photo: Francis Latreille

Some facts about Tara

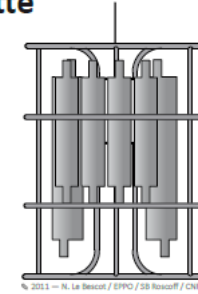
- Aluminum hull – ice strengthen
- 36m long x 10m wide
- Draught: 1.50 – 3.50m
- Weight: 120 tons
- Sail area: 400m²
- Propulsion: 2 x 350 HP
- Watermaker: 300 litres/hour
- Fuel tanks: 40,000 litres
- Water tank: 6,000 litres
- 3 kW wind generator power system
- Communication: Satellite/radio
- Oceanography: 3,000 m winch
- Autonomy: 5,000 nautical miles
- Number of berths: 14

The R/V Tara

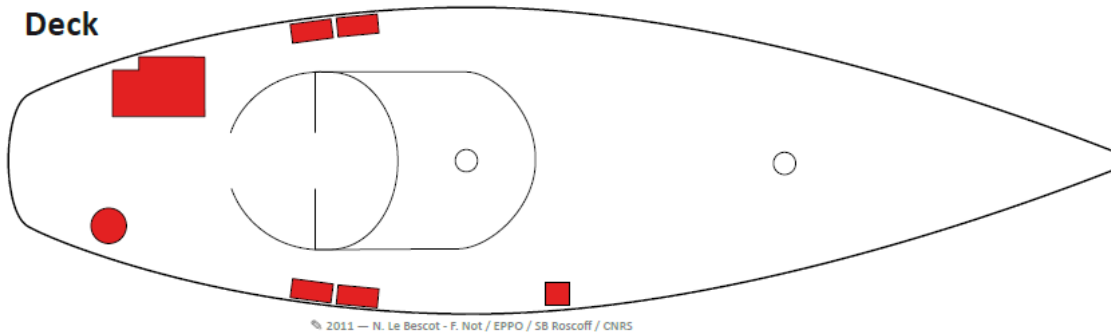
Tara



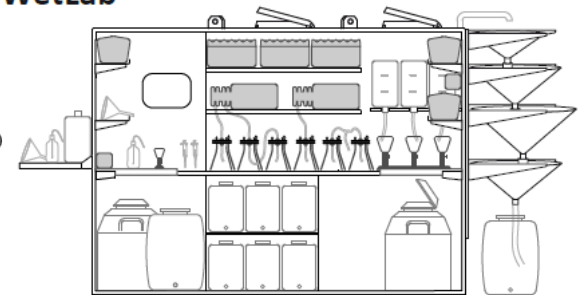
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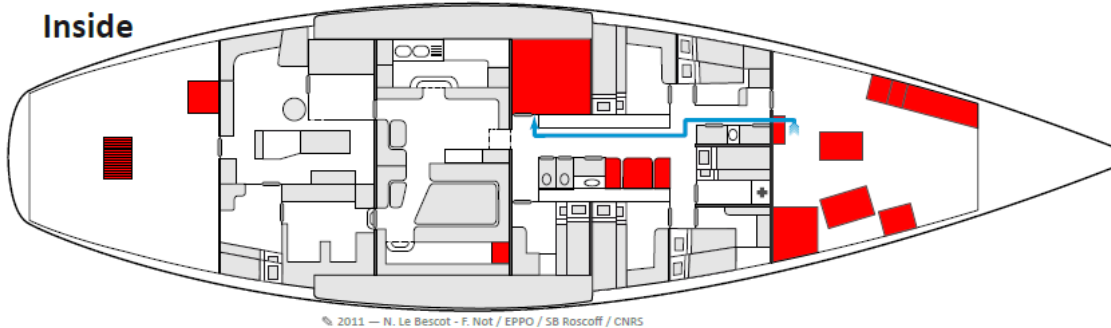
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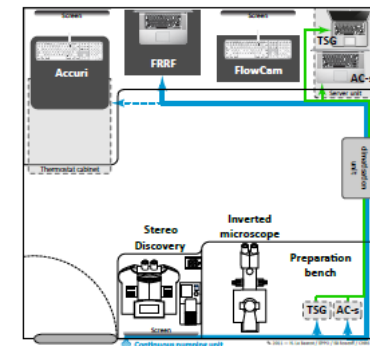
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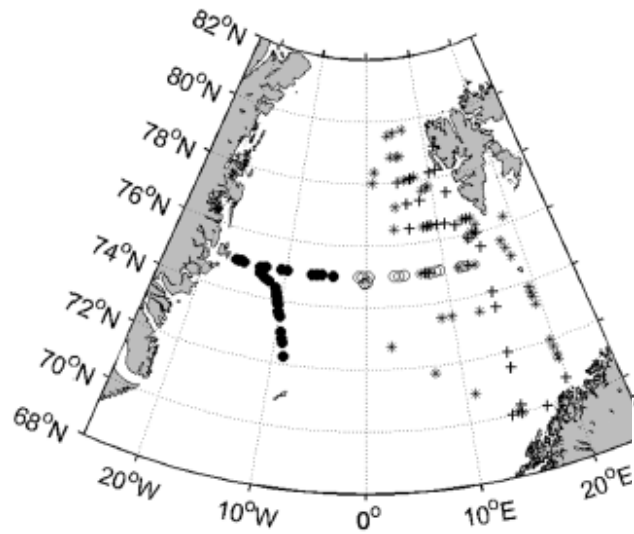
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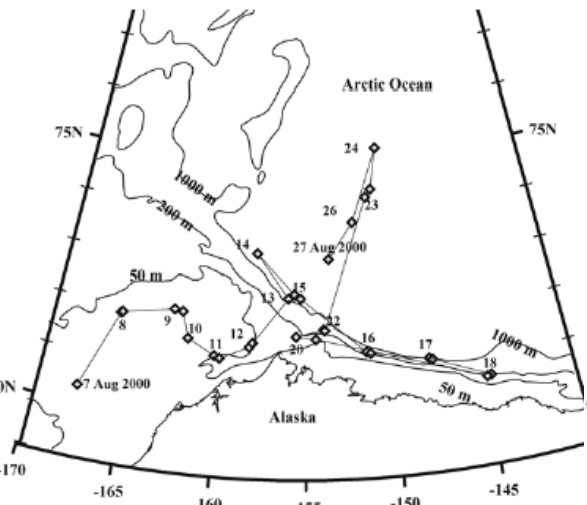
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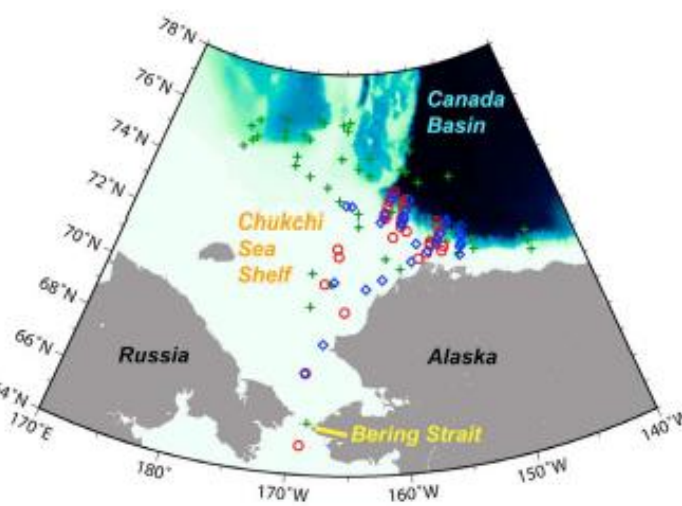
Where have measurements of IOPs been taken?



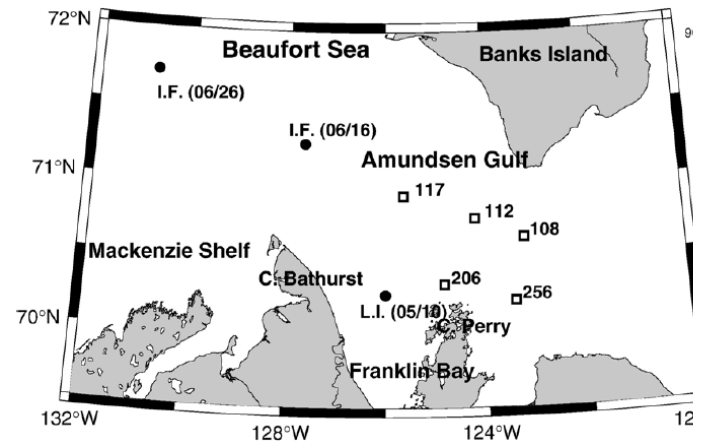
Stramska et al., 2006



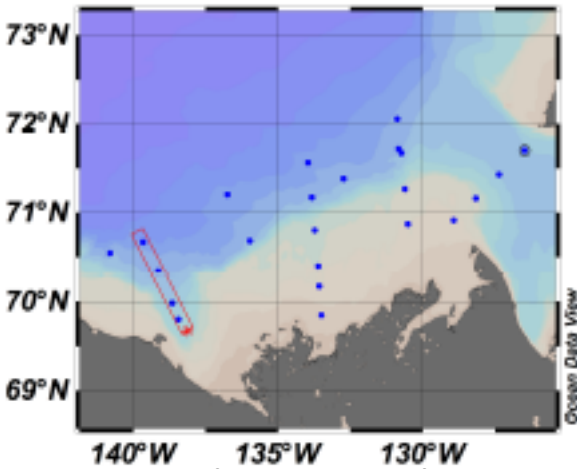
Wang et al., 2005



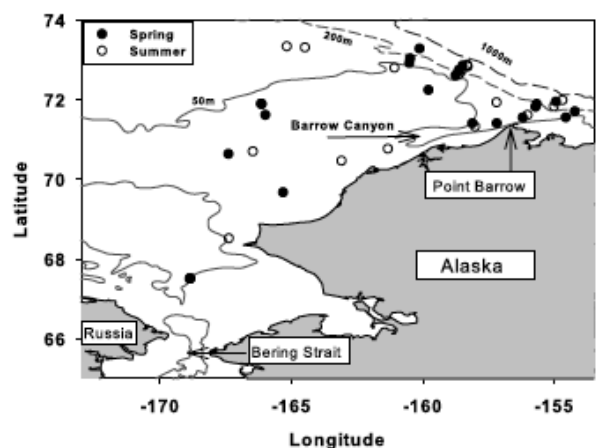
Matsuoka et al., 2007,2011



Belanger et al., 2007

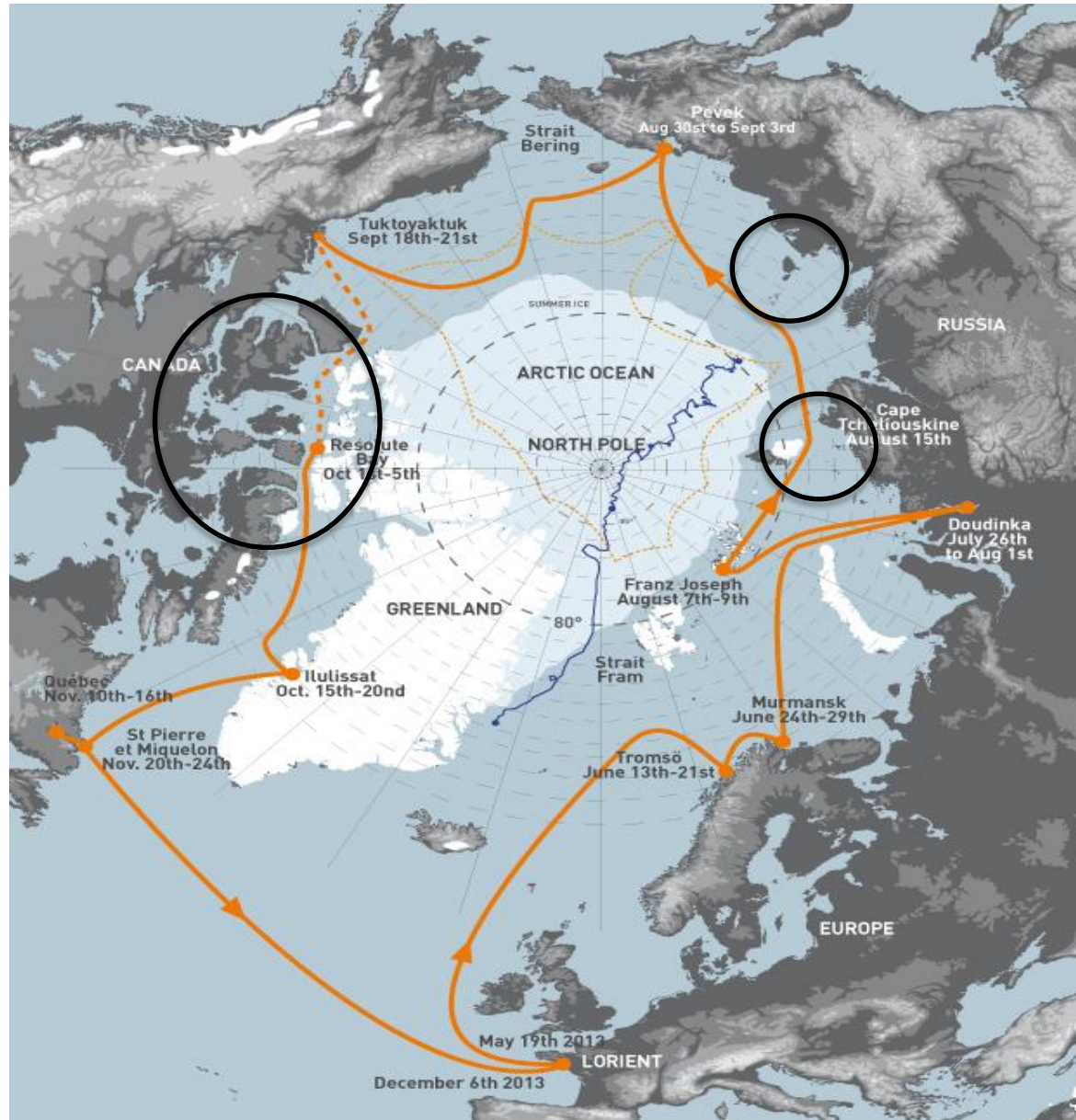


Belanger et al., 2013



Hill, 2008

Polar circle plan

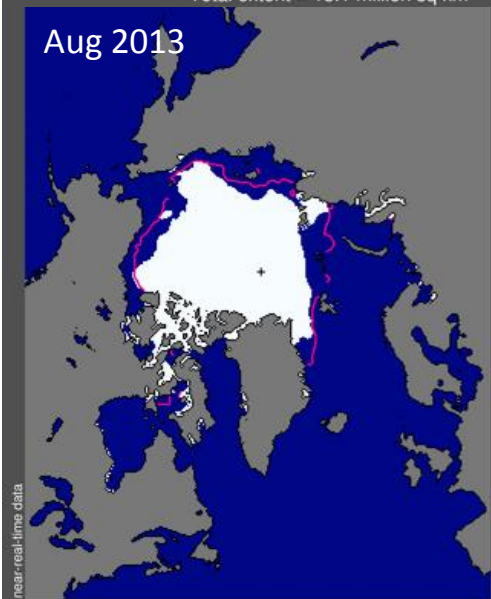


Mandatory passages:

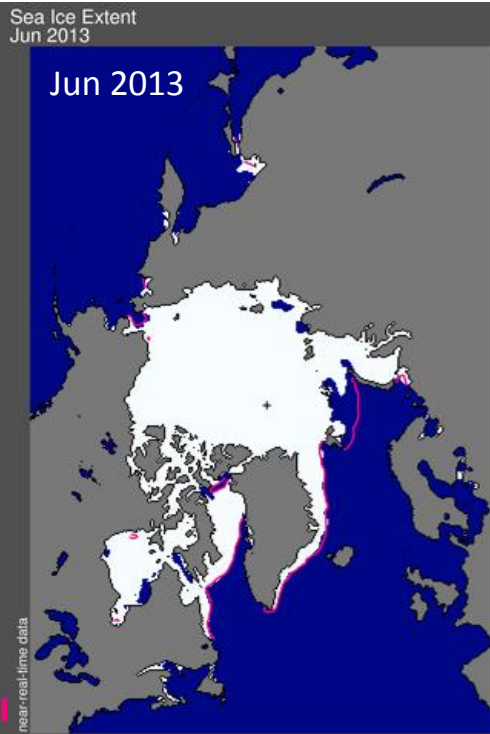
Source: National Snow & Ice Data Center



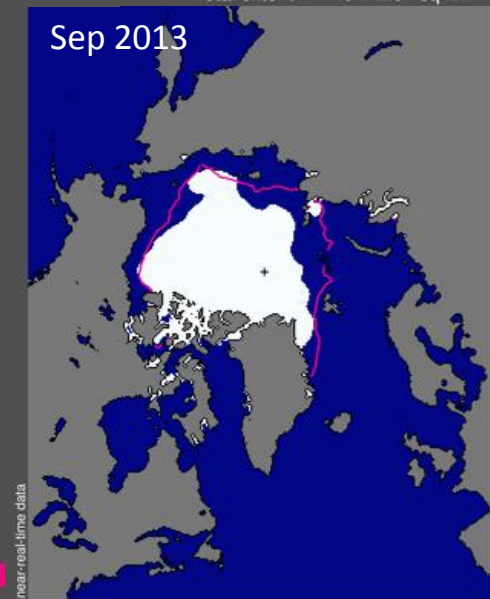
Total extent = 13.1 million sq km



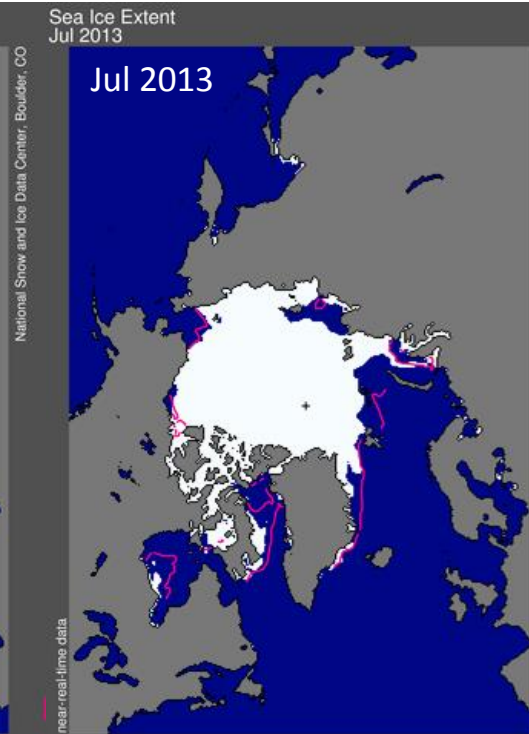
Total extent = 6.1 million sq km



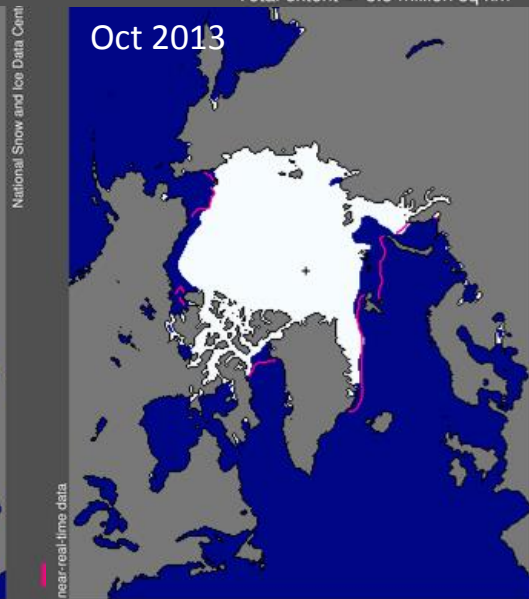
Total extent = 11.6 million sq km



Total extent = 5.3 million sq km



Total extent = 8.5 million sq km



Total extent = 8.1 million sq km

median ice edge

median ice edge

The Tara polar-circle expedition

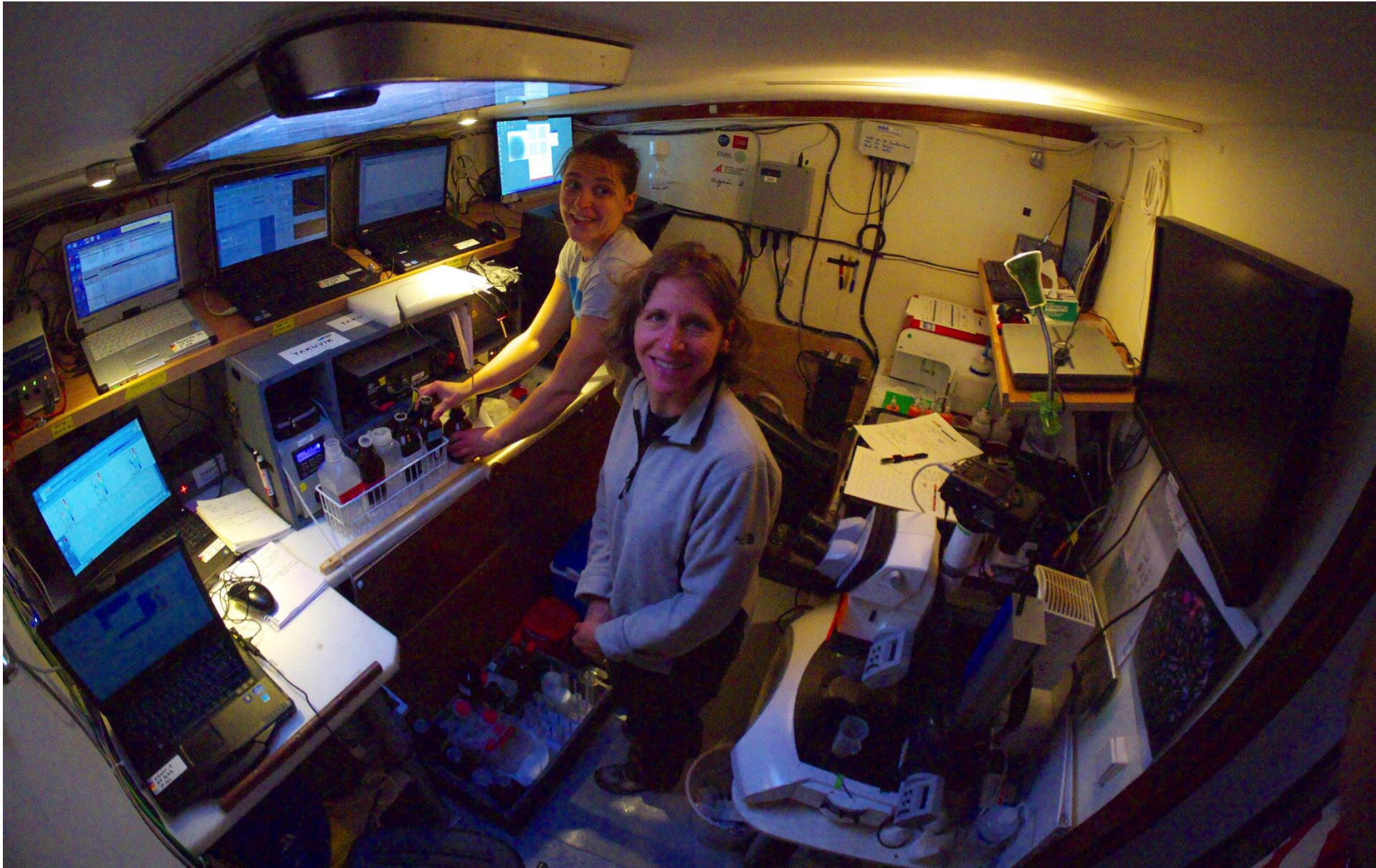
Comprehensive and homogeneous data comparable)

Unique! Covers all the Arctic sectors

Not synoptic

Sampling: in-line continuous (1.5m) + discrete stations (up to 1000m)

Dry Lab – continuous sampling + analysis of discrete samples



At stations:

I. Rosette:

Physical variables: temperature, salinity, pressure, light level.

Optical variables: scattering, attenuation.

Biological variables: imaging camera, chlorophyll.

Chemical variables: nitrate, oxygen, DOM.

Bottles to collect water ->

Biological variables: Virus, bacteria, pigments

Chemical variables: Carbonates, nutrients, O^{18} , DOC

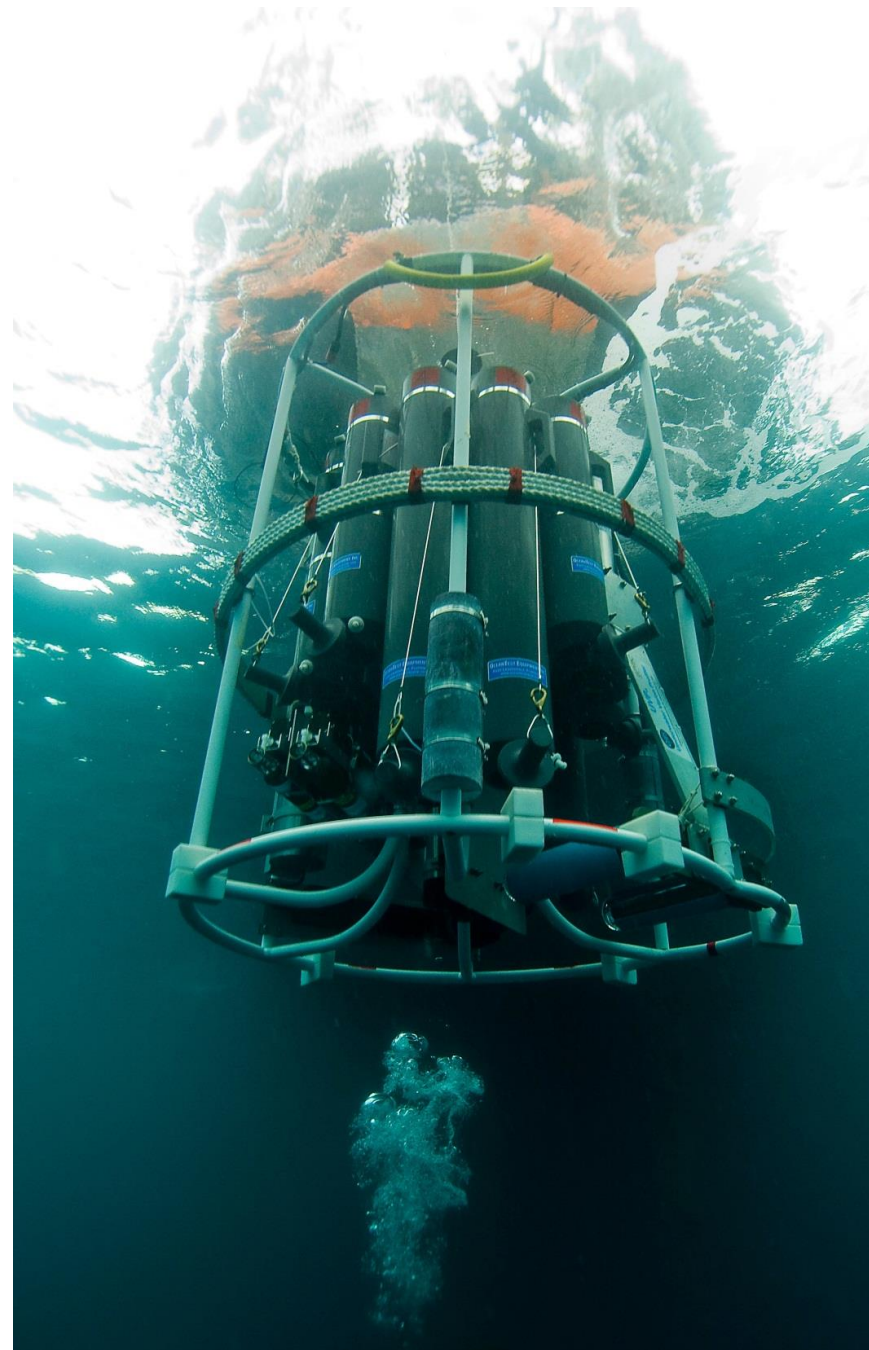
II. Nets (of variables mesh size):

Biological variables: phytoplankton, other protists and zooplankton (for '-omics' and imaging)

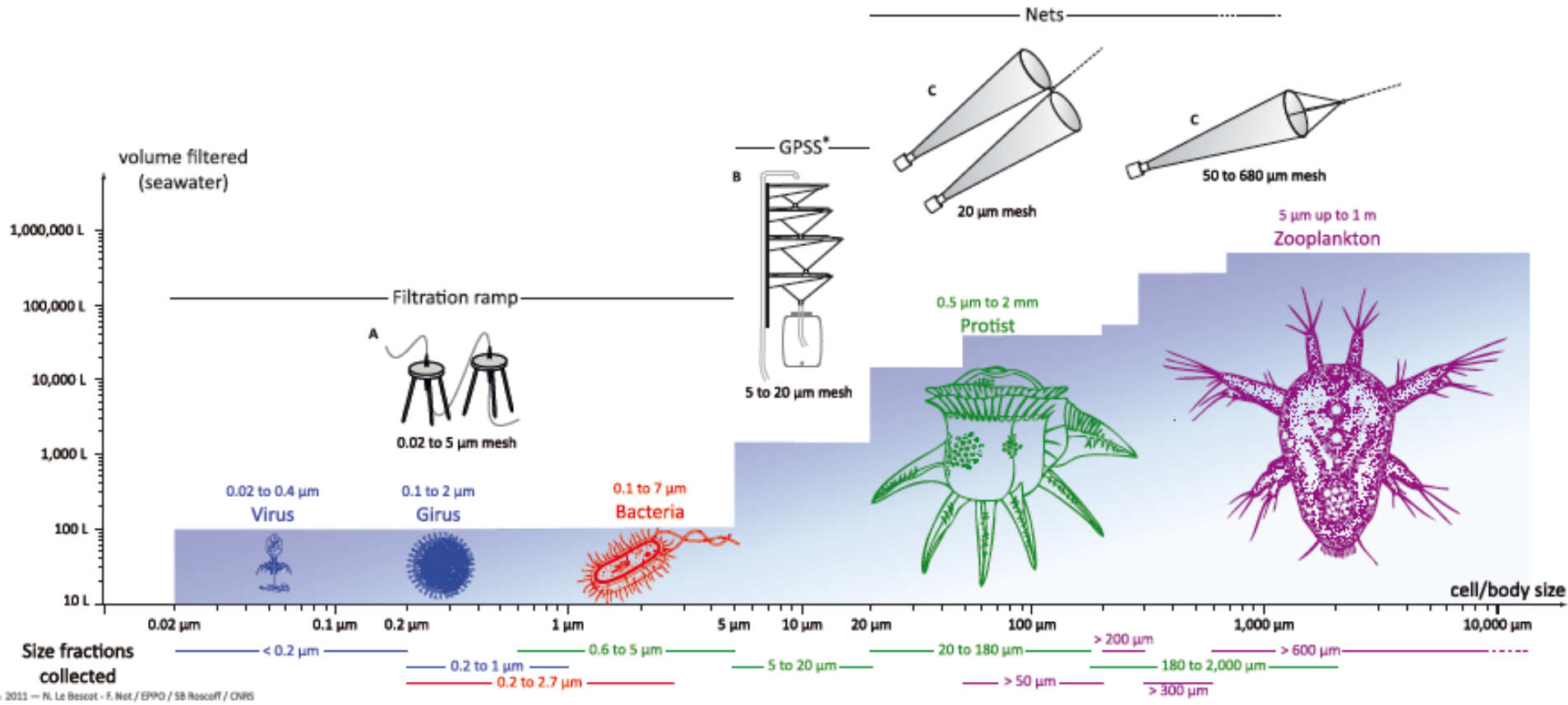
Spatial scales: 1km^2

Temporal scales: days/weeks

Vertical scales: surface to 1000m at $O(1\text{m})$

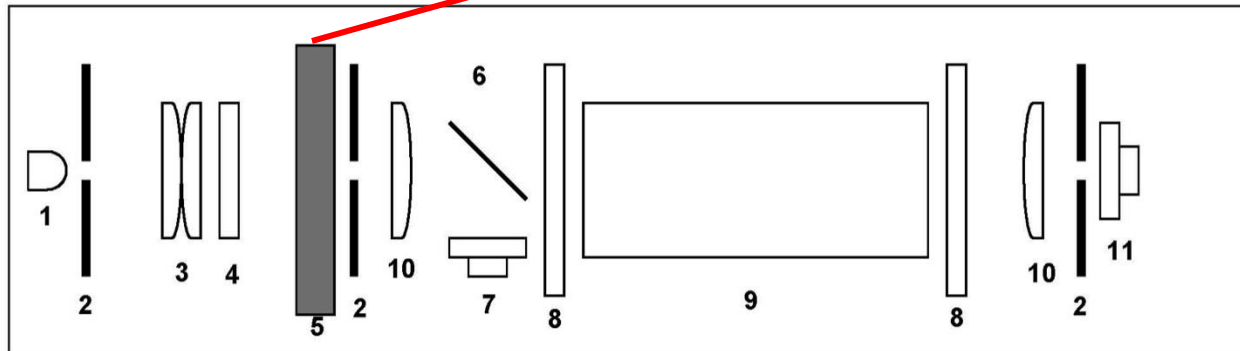
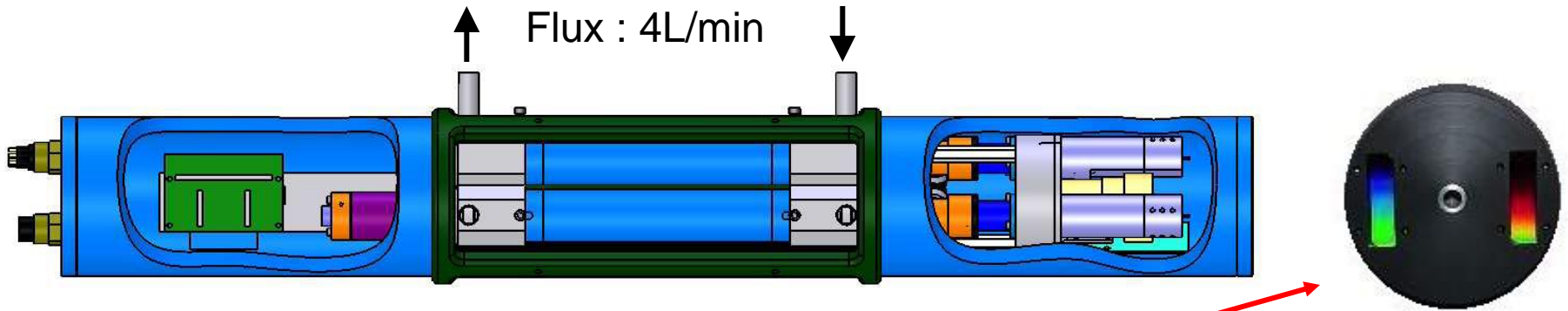


Tara Oceans sampling overview



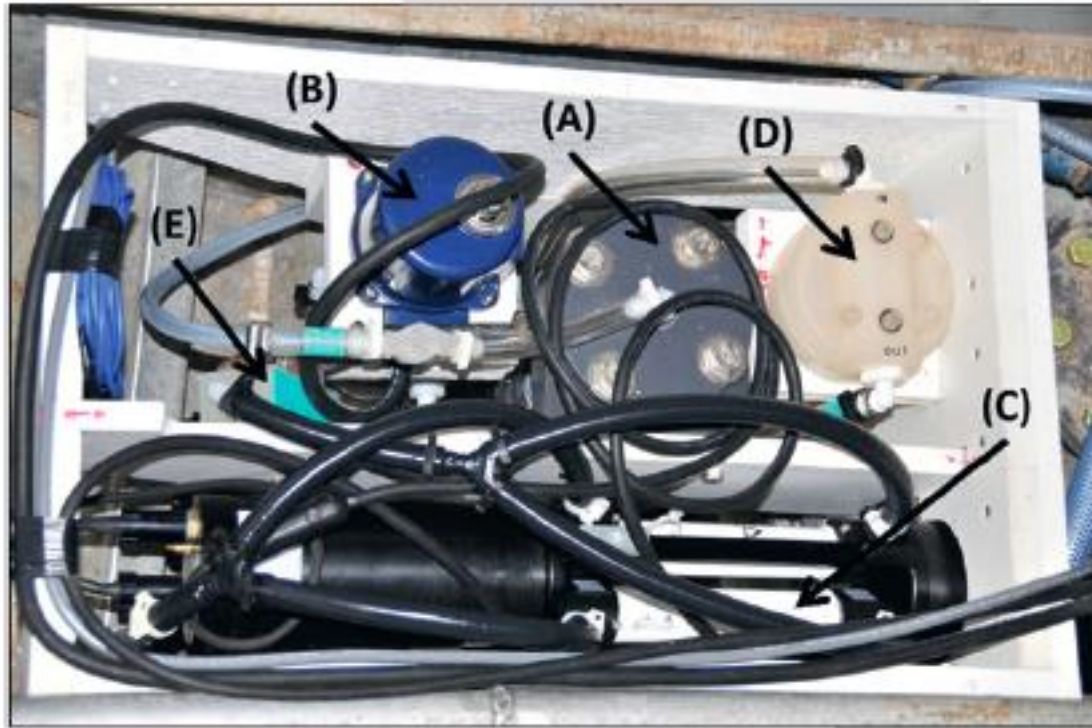
+ flow cytometer (Accuri), Flow-cam, Imaging flowcytobot, & UVP

Spectral Absorption and Attenuation Meter (ACS)

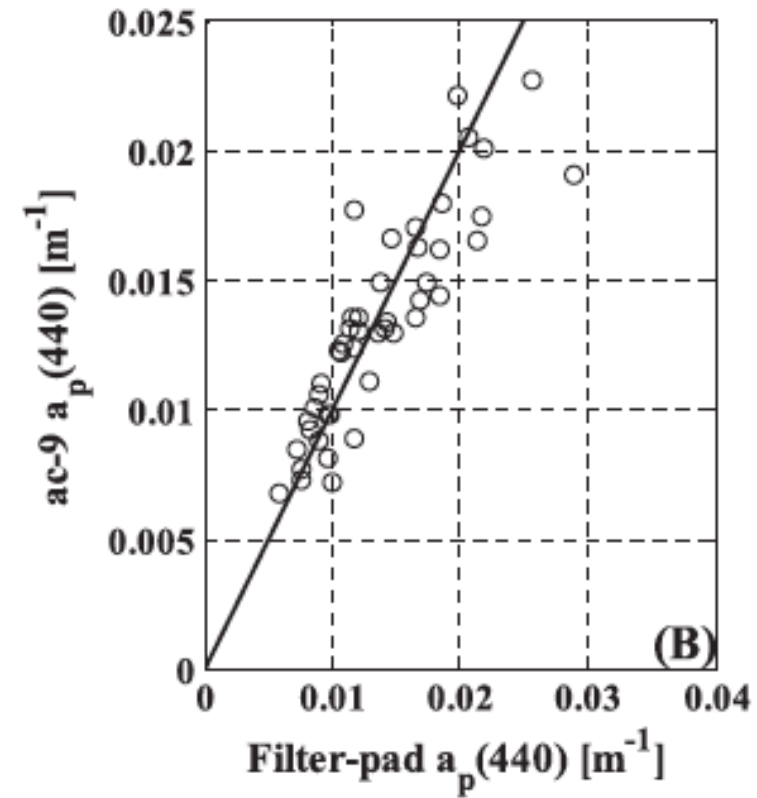


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|-----------------|-------------------------------|
| 1 Lamp | 7 Reference detector |
| 2 1 mm aperture | 8 6 mm quartz pressure window |
| 3 Lenses | 9 Flow tube |
| 4 IR Filter | 10 Singlet lens |
| 5 Filter wheel | 11 Signal detector |
| 6 Beam splitter | |

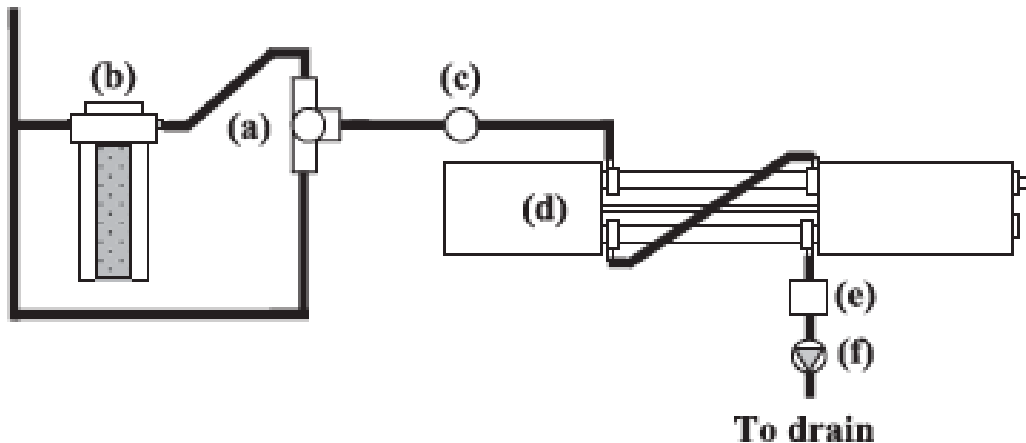
System for acquisition of particulate absorption/attenuation data



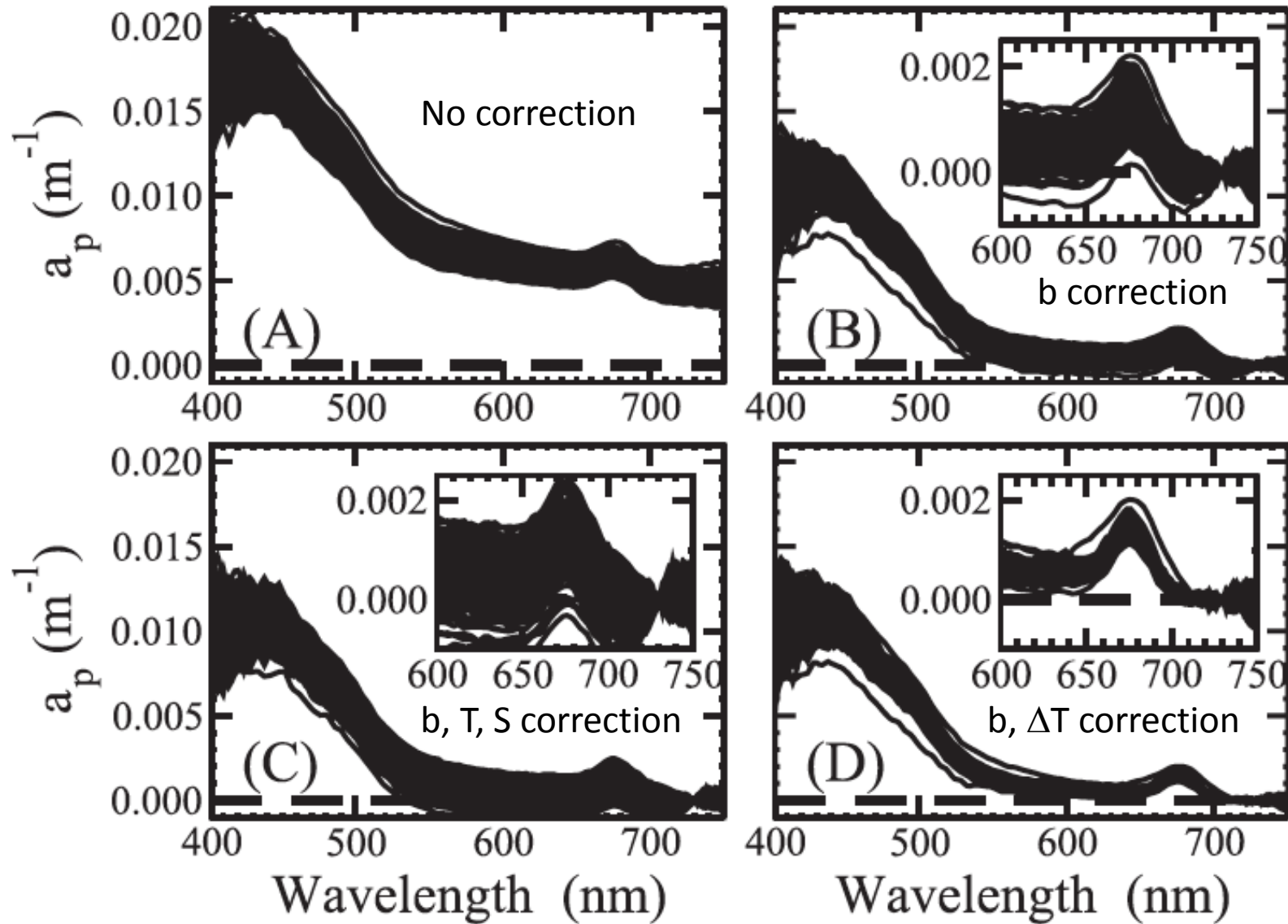
Validation against filter-pad



From de-bubblers

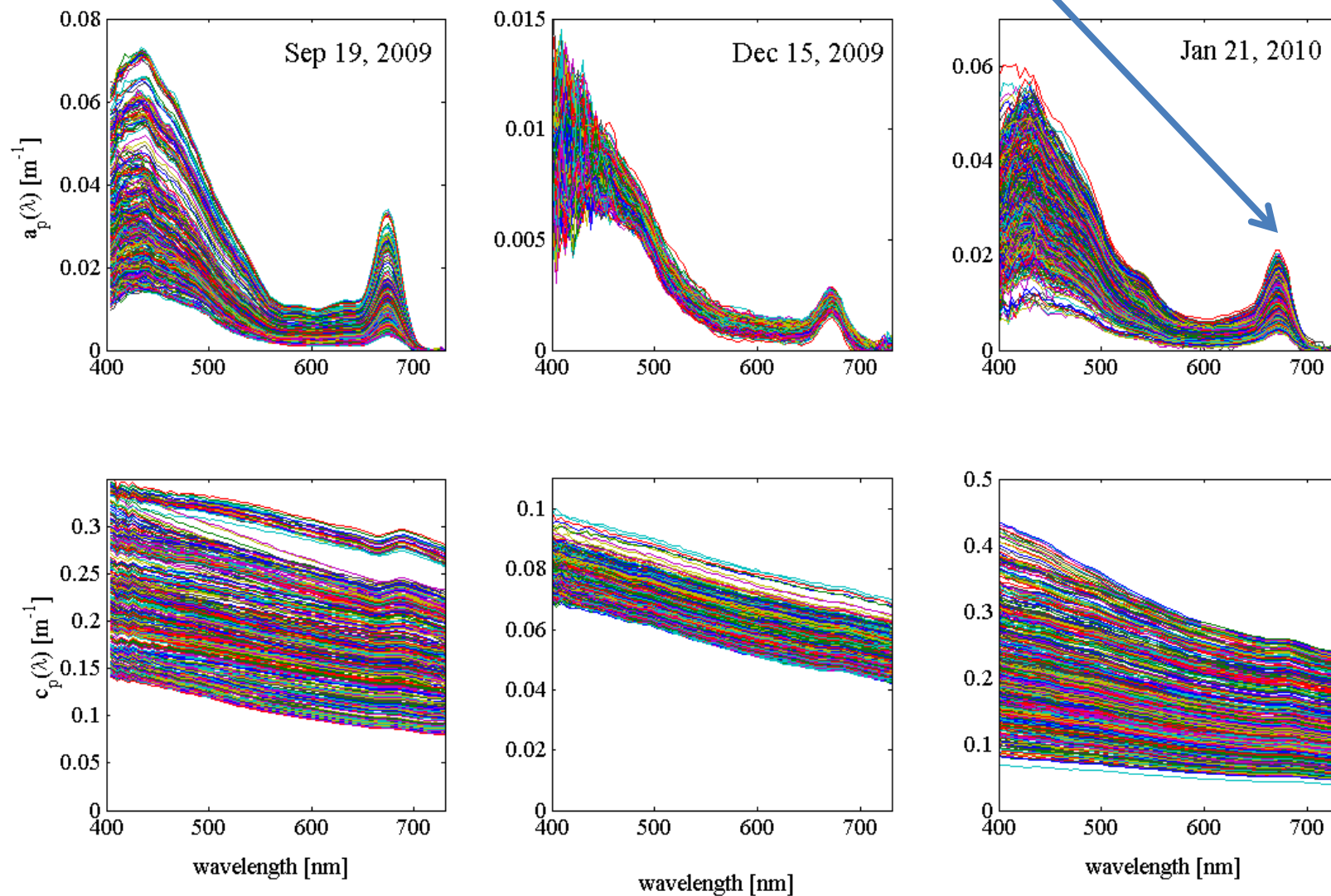


Scattering and residual temperature correction



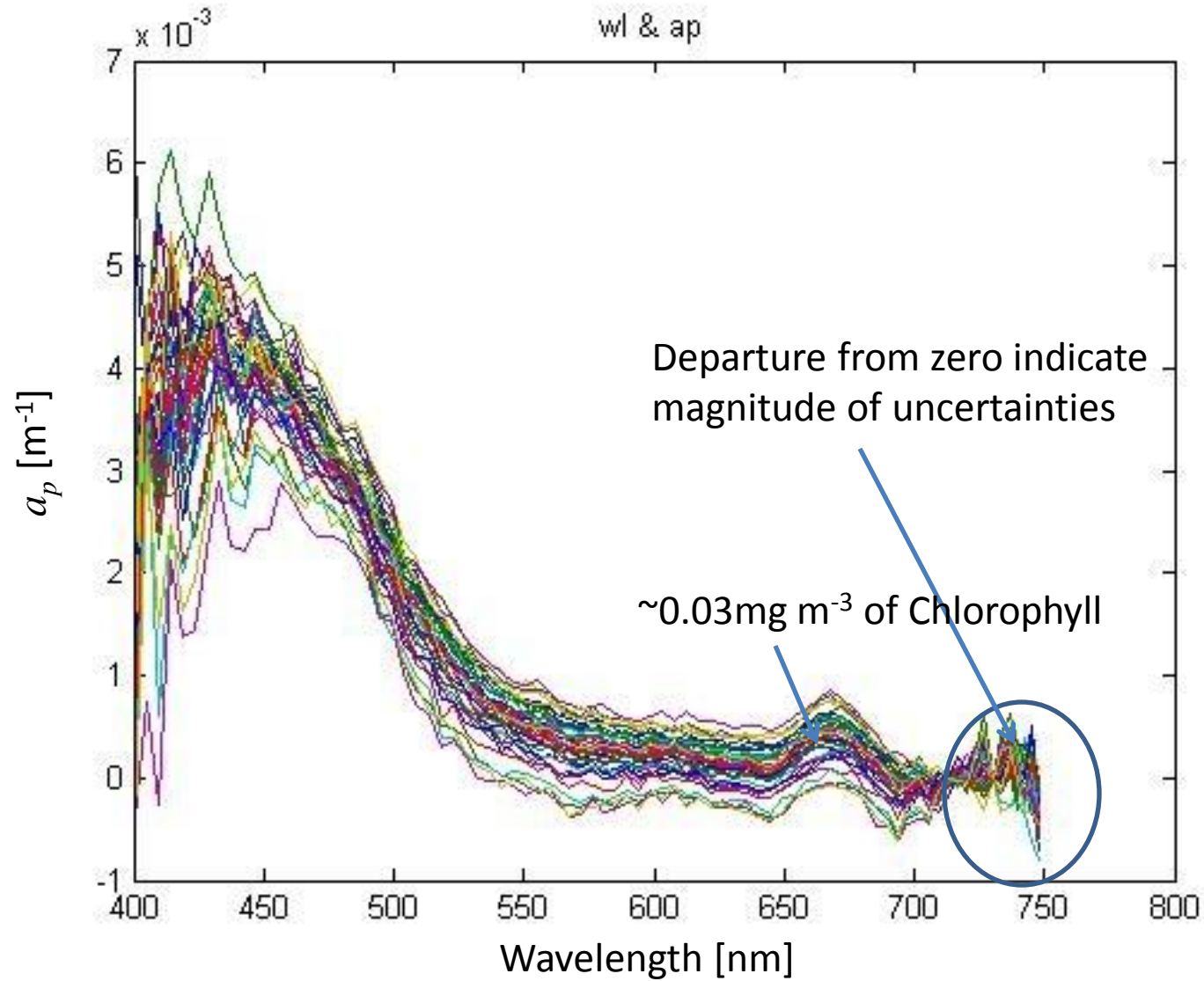
Example 1min binned data:

Chlorophyll_a peak



Steeper beam-c spectra -> steeper size distribution

Example data in the clearest waters

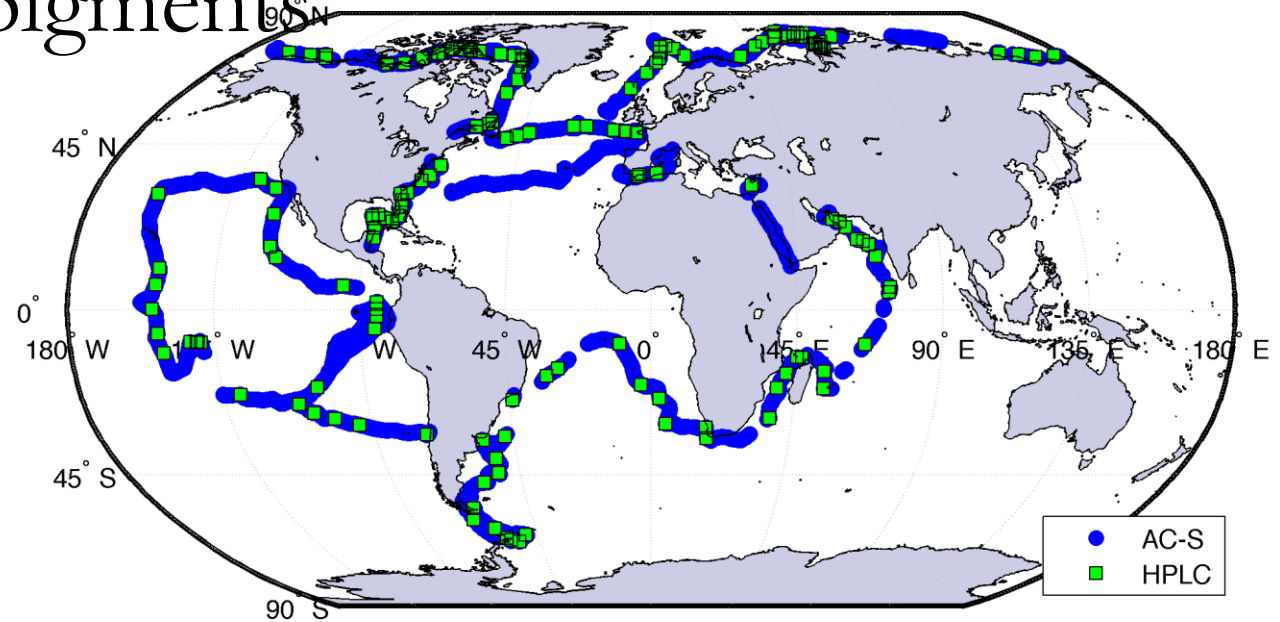
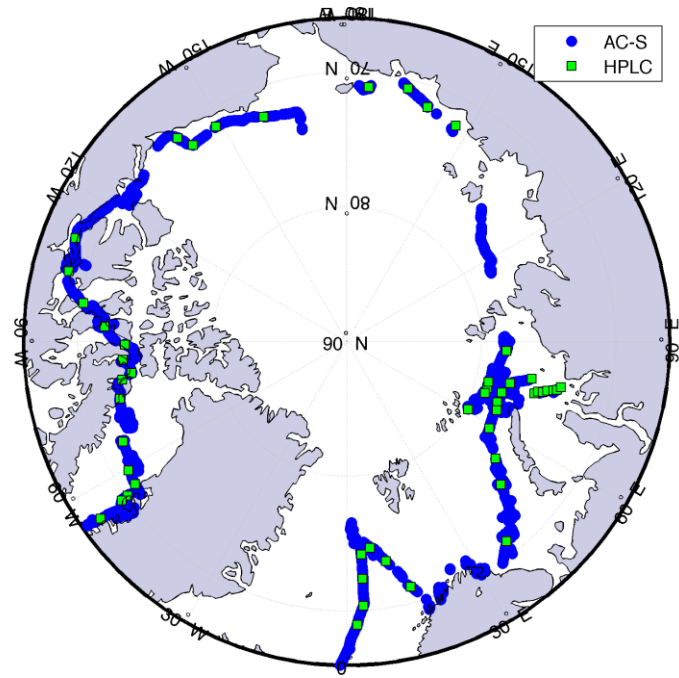


Manufacturer stated accuracy possible: 0.01m^{-1}

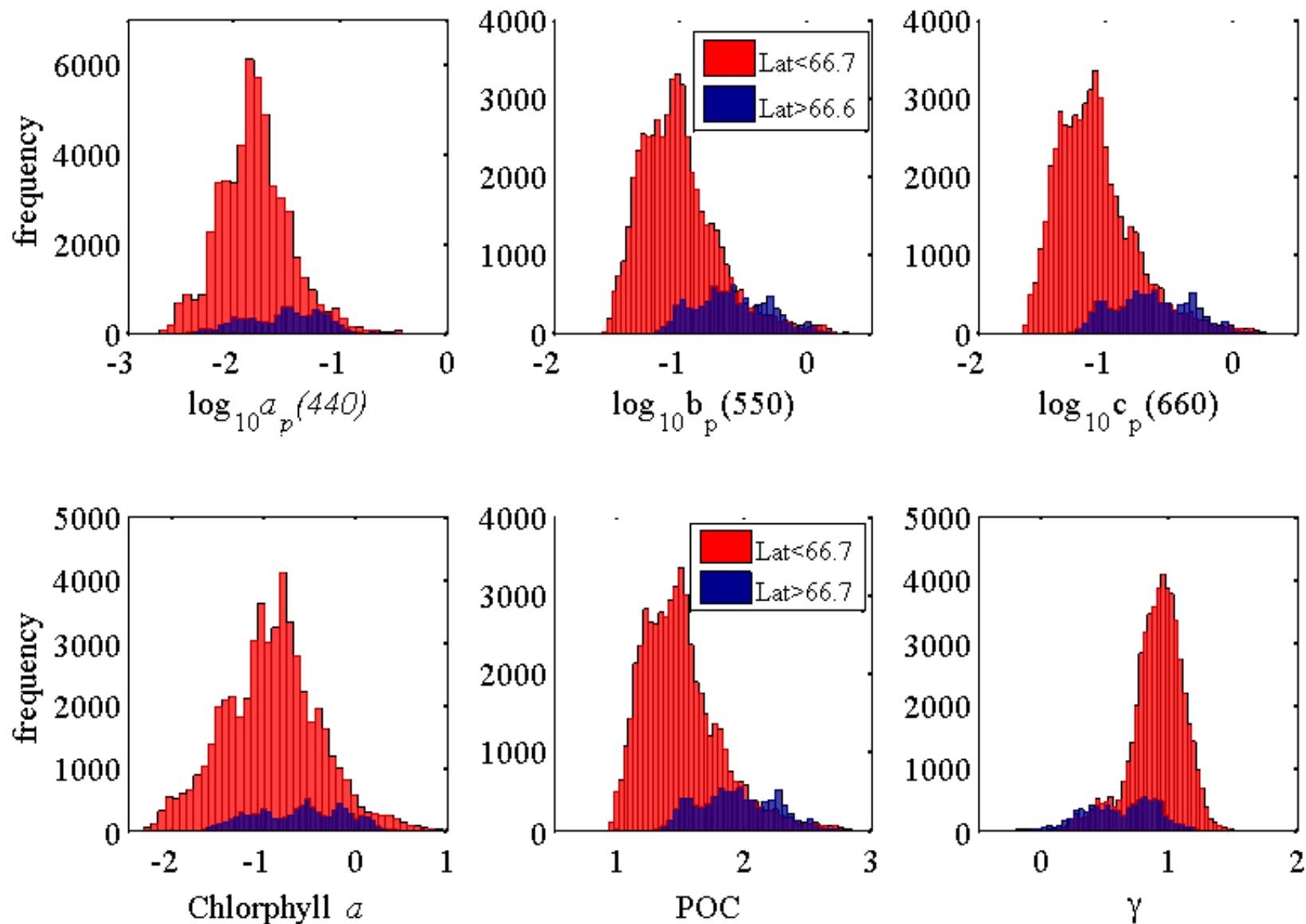
We are resolving absorption peaks on the order of: 0.001m^{-1}

DATA

Locations where we
have particulate
absorption (95,000) and
attenuation (72,000)
1km²-averaged spectra
and HPLC pigments

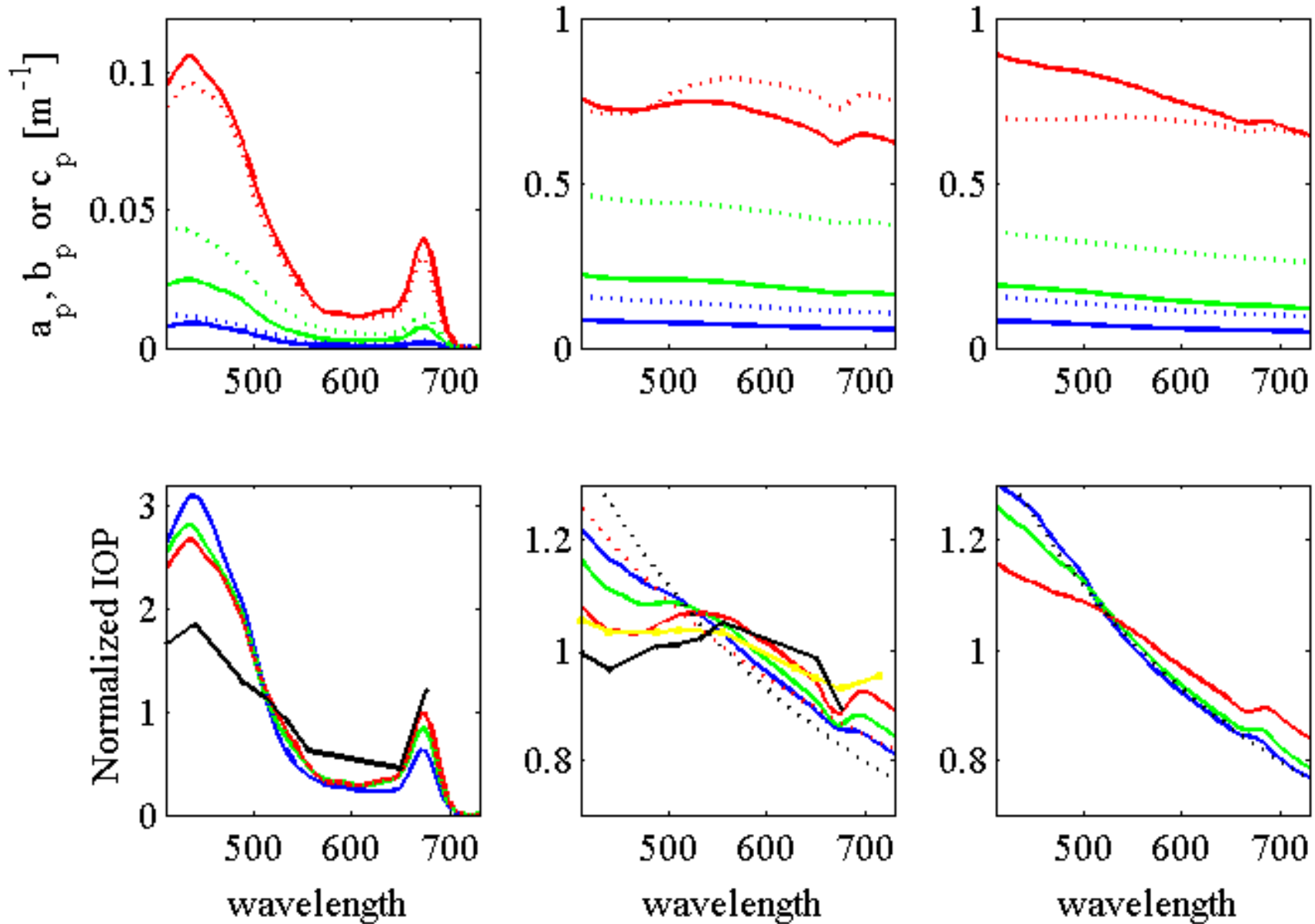


Results



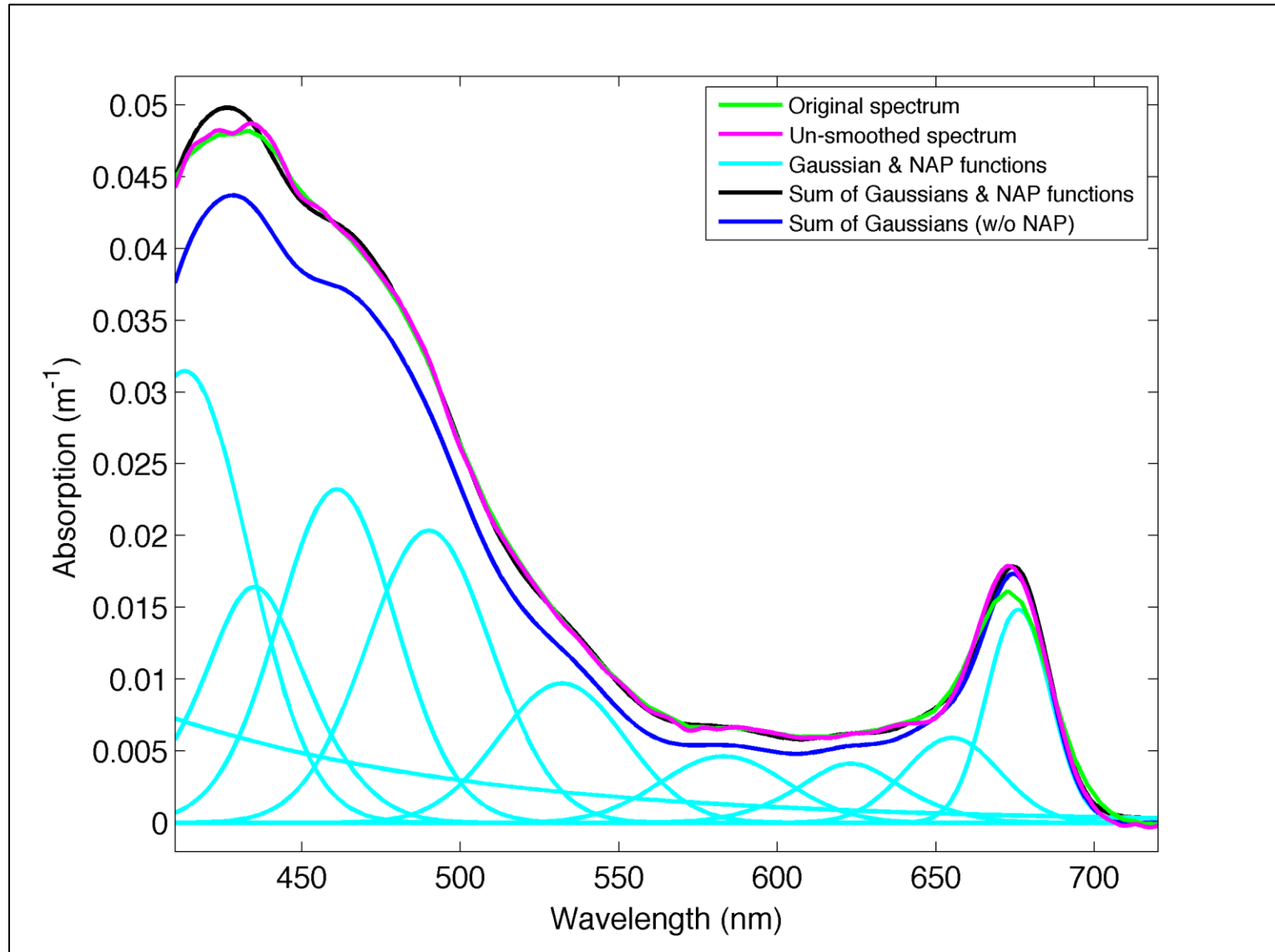
Observed particulate properties and derived properties.

Results

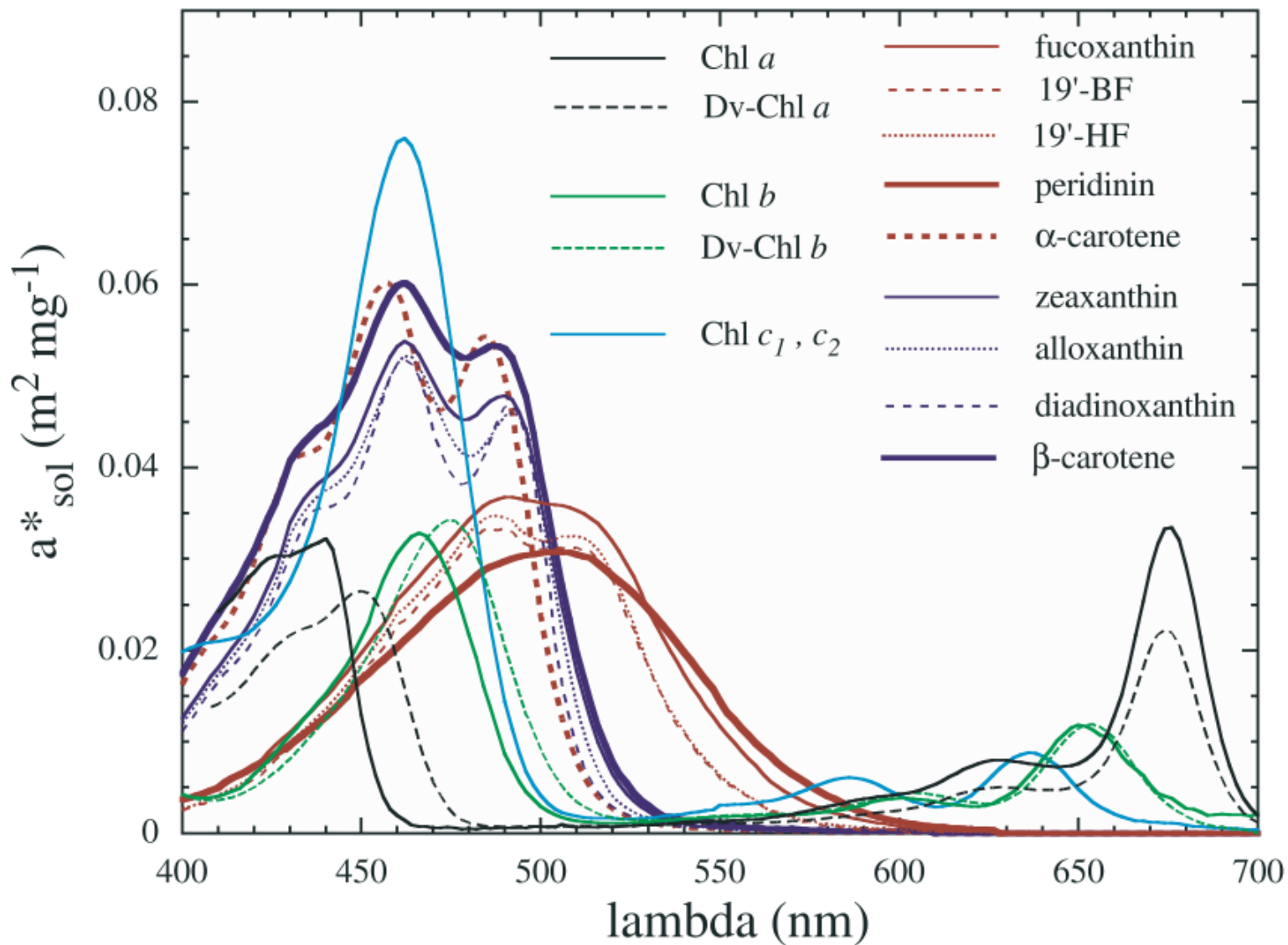


Observed particulate properties (100km off coast).

Decomposition of particulate absorption

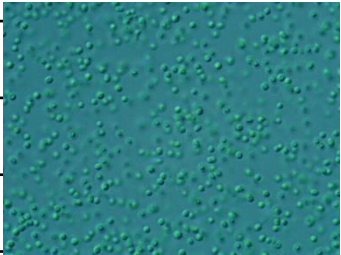
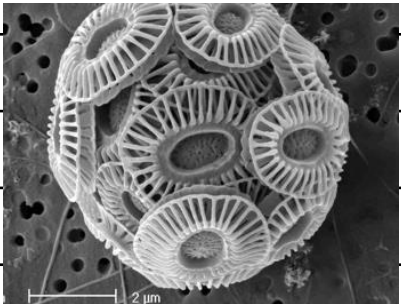
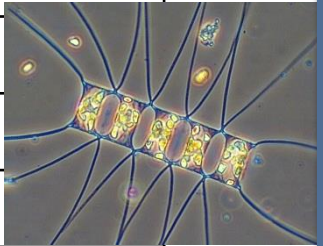
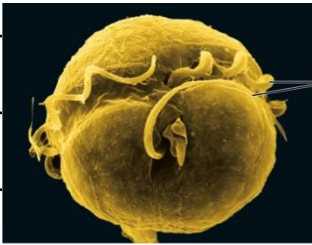


Example of decomposition for a measured a_p spectrum from the Equatorial Pacific, near the Marquesas (Chase et al., 2014).



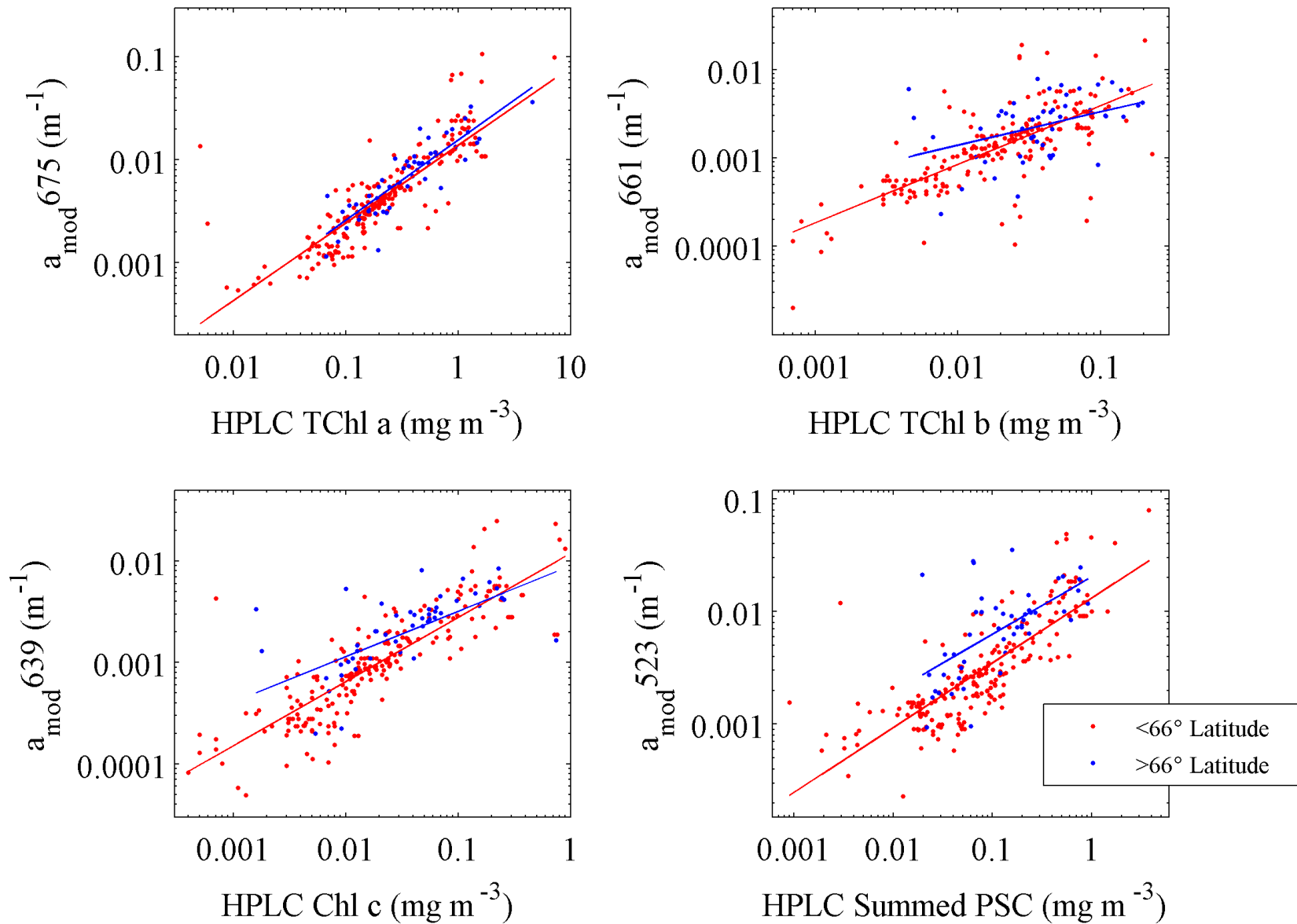
from Bricaud et al., 2004

Phytoplankton pigments measured by HPLC and used in this study

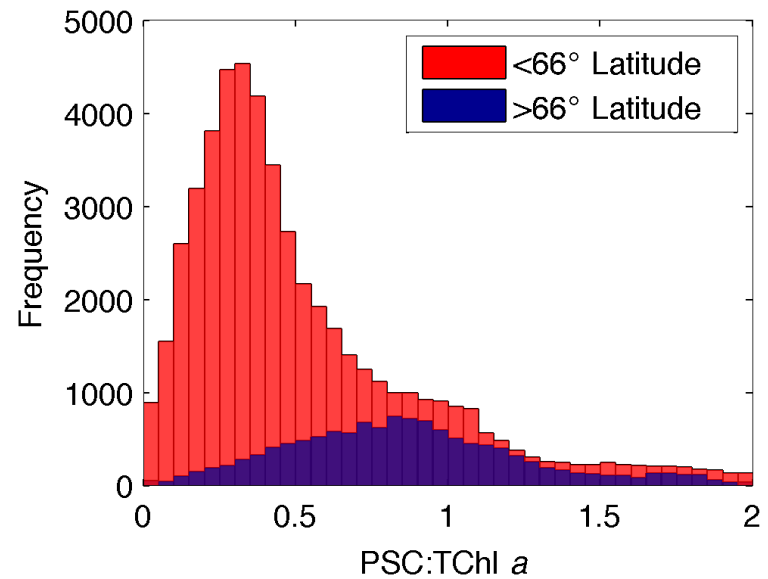
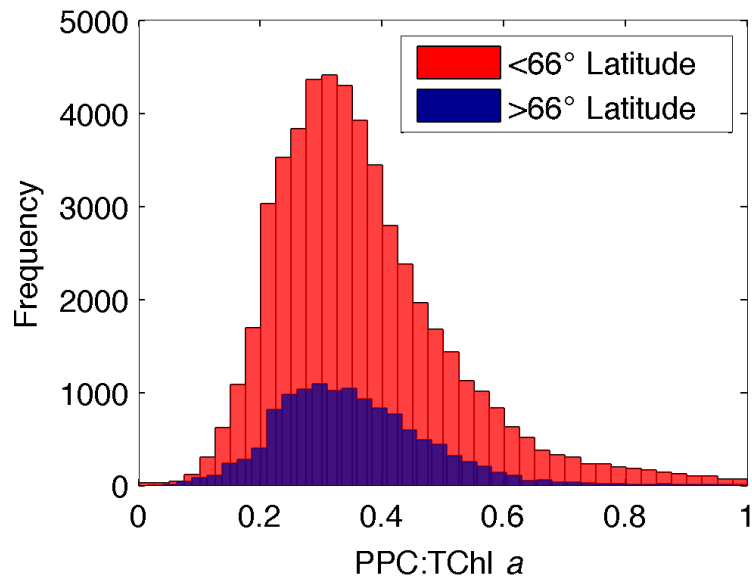
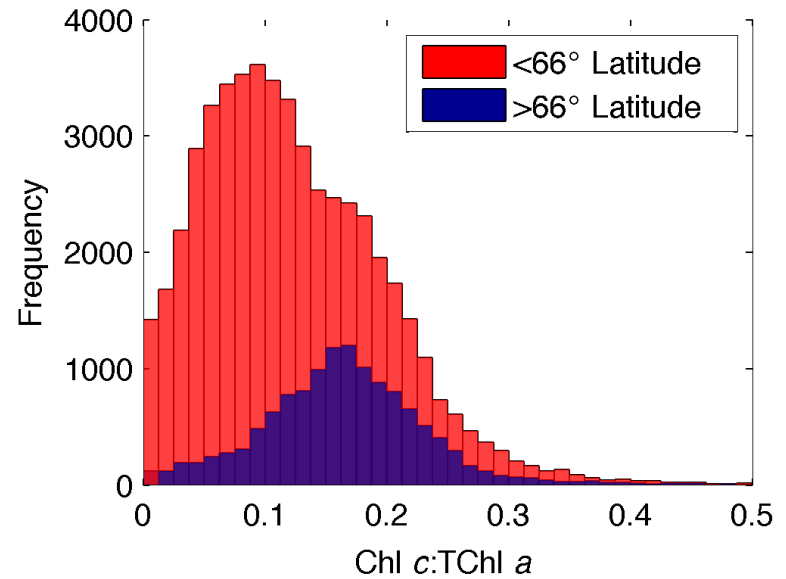
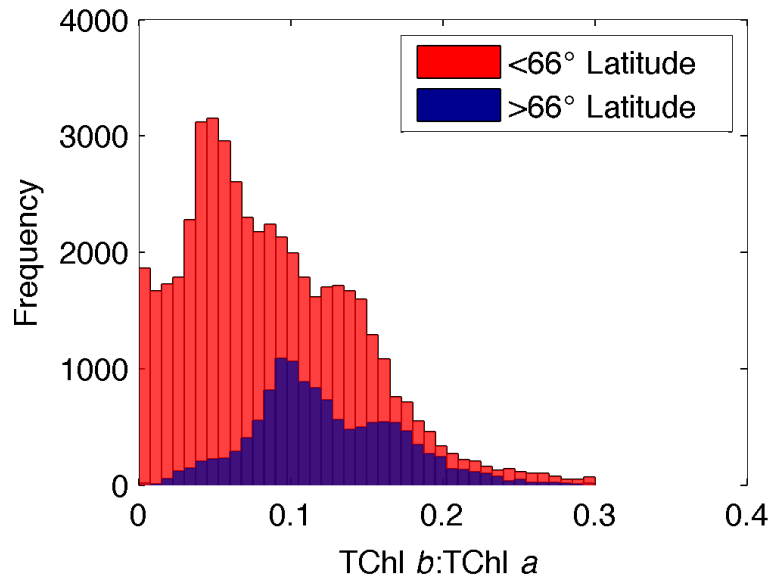
TChl a	Chlorophyll a	All except prochlorophytes	
	Divinyl chl a	Prochlorophytes	
	Chlorophyllide a	Senescent diatoms	
TChl b	Chlorophyll b	Green algae	
	Divinyl chl b	Prochlorophytes	
Chl c	Chlorophyll c1	Chromophytes	
	Chlorophyll c2	Chromophytes	
PSC	19'-hexanoyloxyfucoxanthin	Prymnesiophytes	
	19'-butanoyloxyfucoxanthin	Prymnesiophytes	
	fucoxanthin	Diatoms	
	peridinin	Dinoflagellates	
PPC	α -carotene* + β -carotene	Various	
	alloxanthin	Cryptophytes	
	zeaxanthin	Cyanobacteria and prochlorophytes	
	diadinoxanthin	Various	

* α -carotene is photosynthetic (a PSC), but is grouped with β -carotene in the reported HPLC pigment data

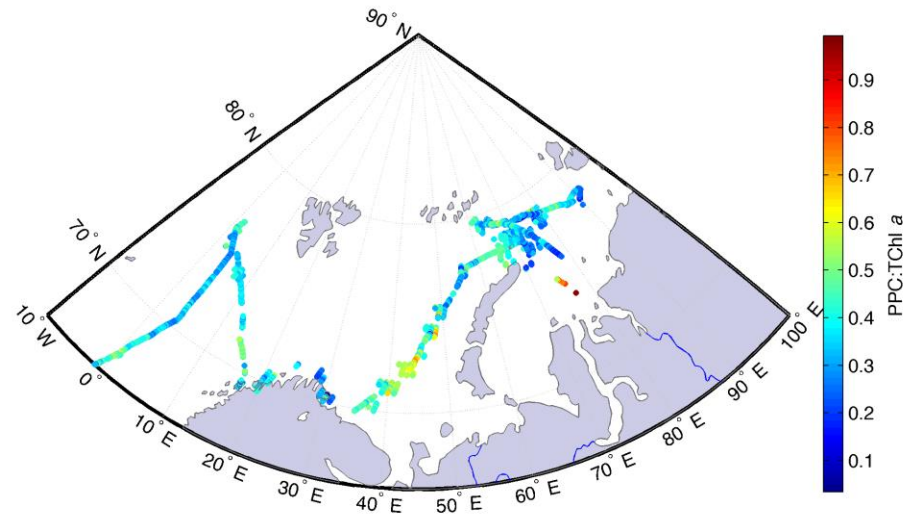
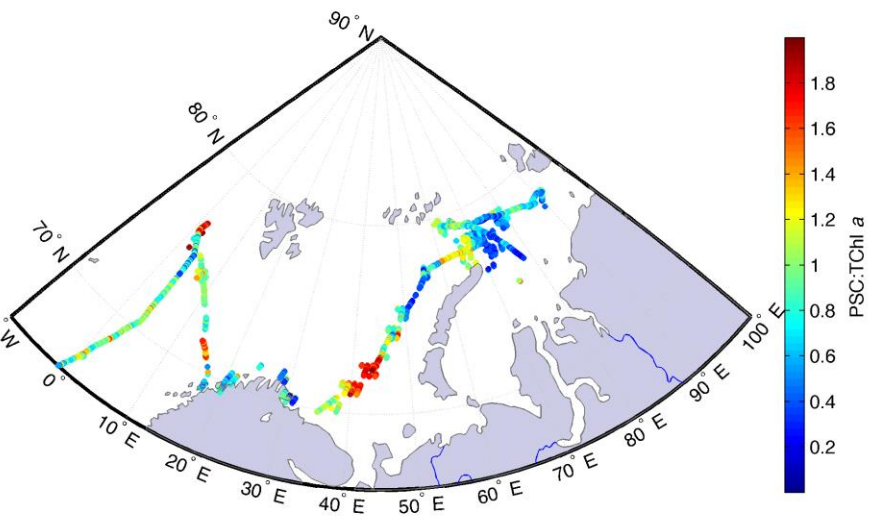
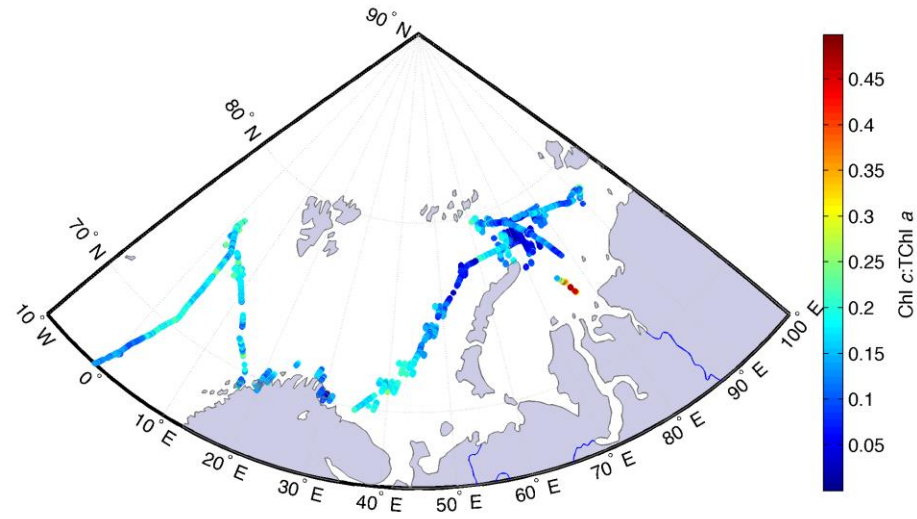
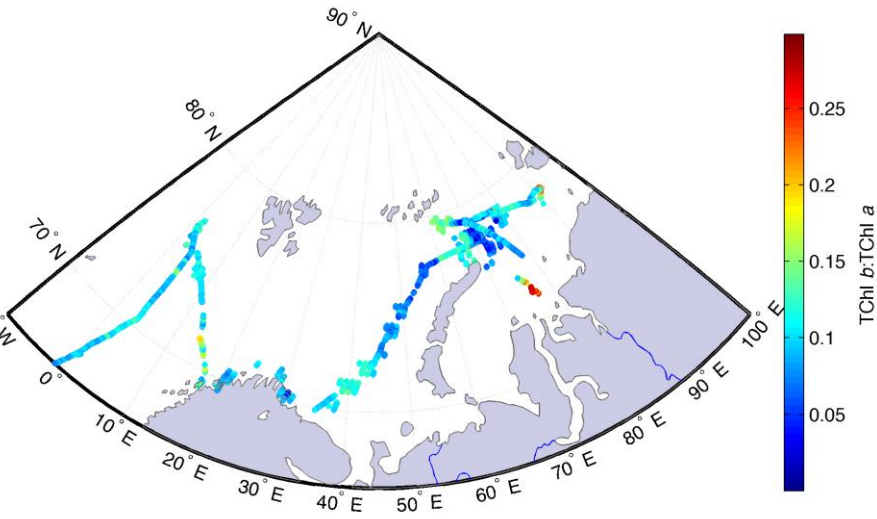
Pigments and pigments distributions



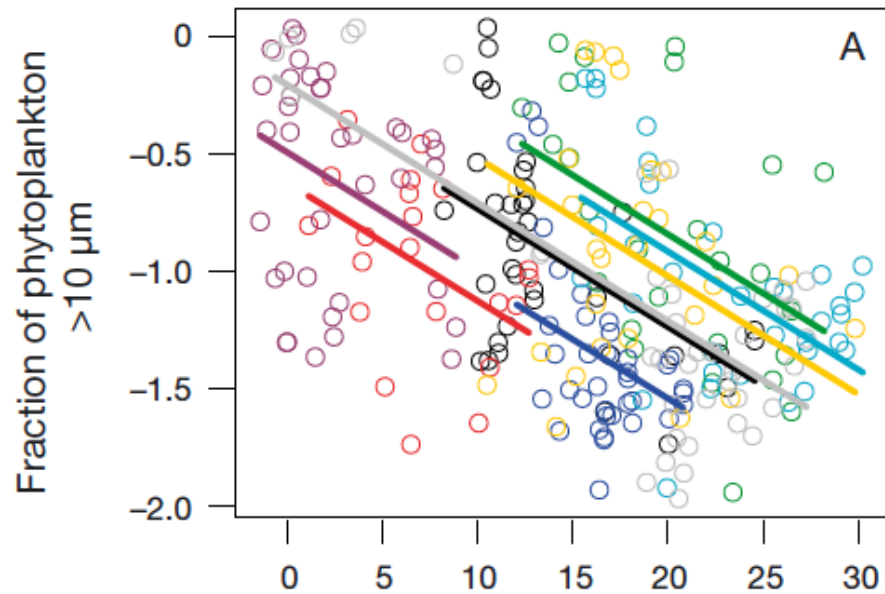
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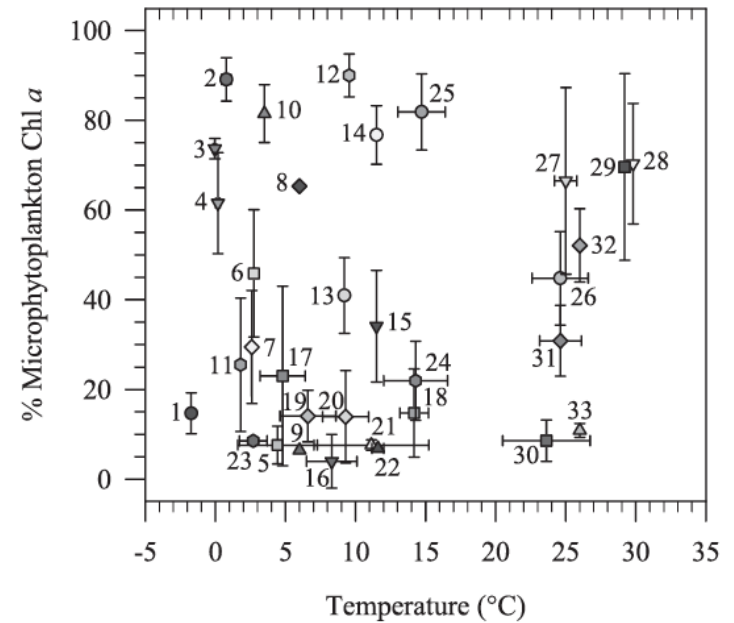
Example distributions of pigments relative to chlorophyll *a*



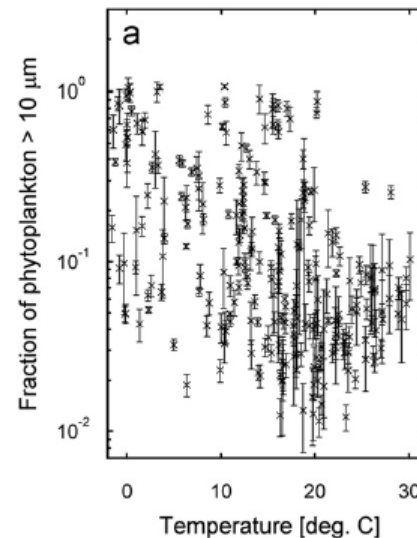
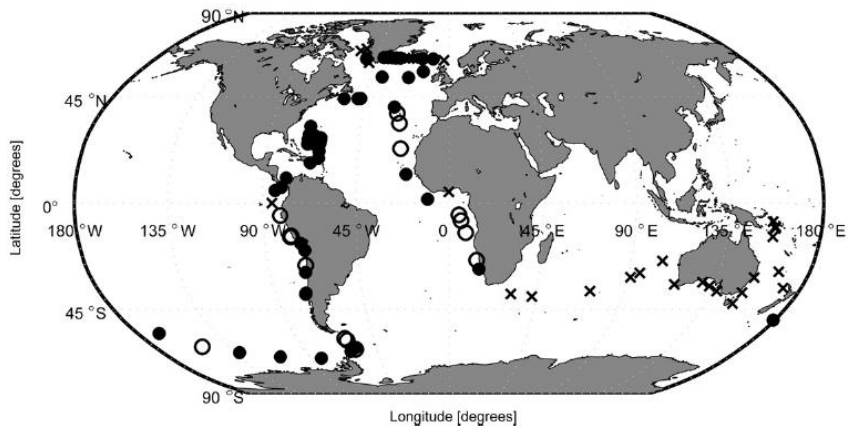
Chlorophyll, particles size and temperature



Mousing et al., 2014, MEPS



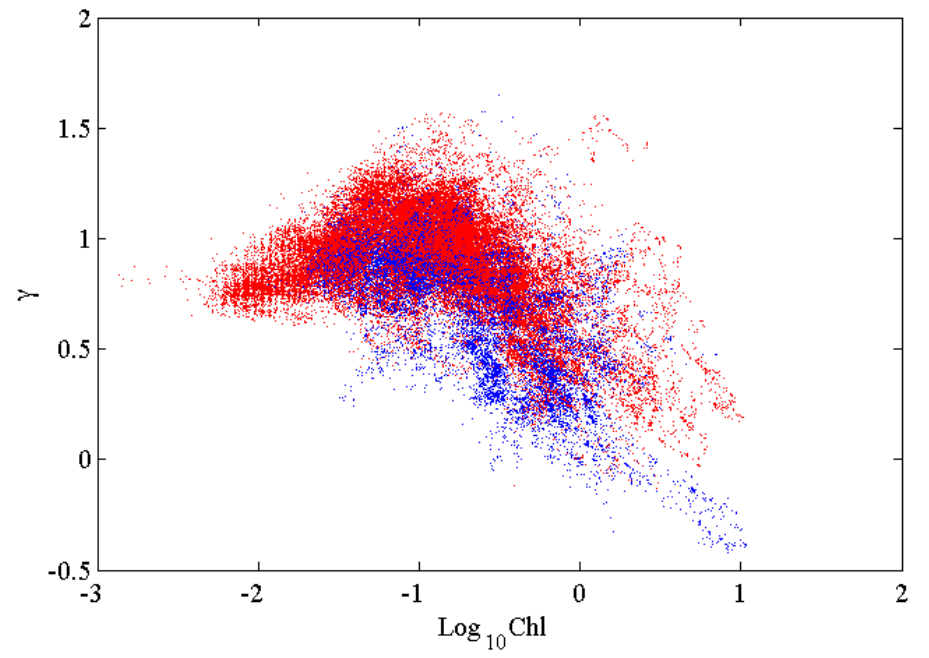
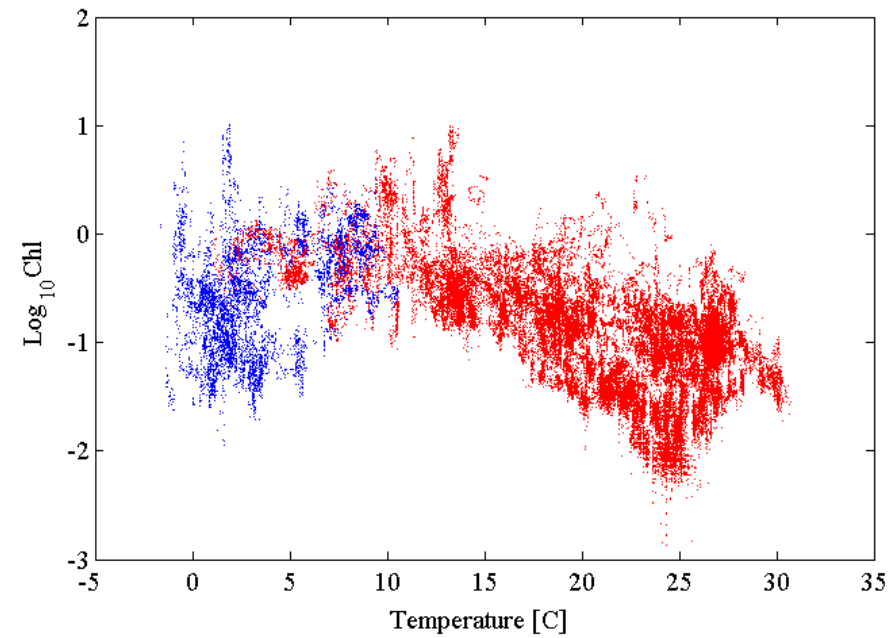
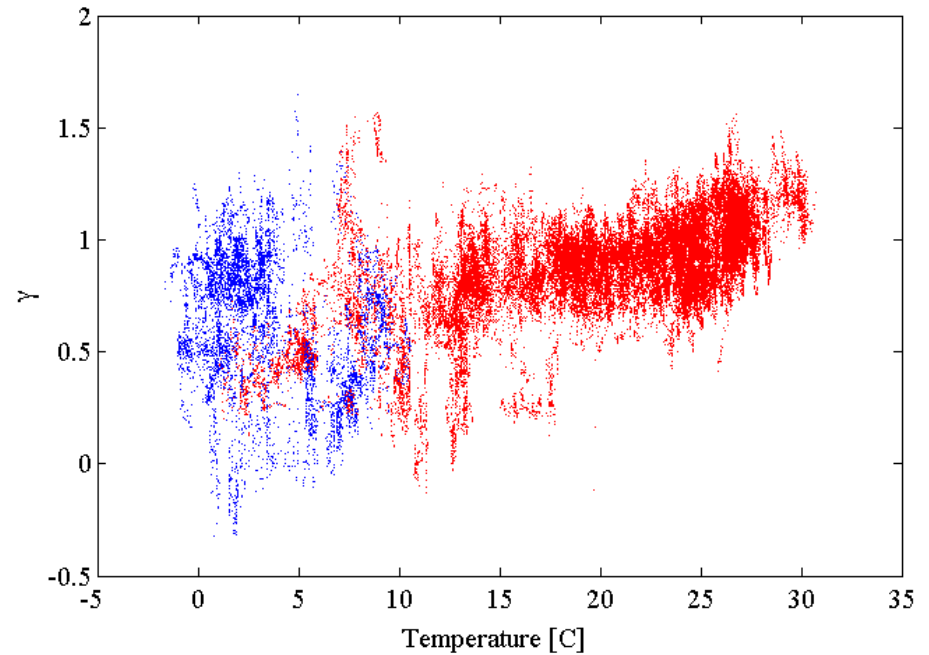
Maranon et al., 2012, L&O



Hilligsoe et al., 2011, DSR

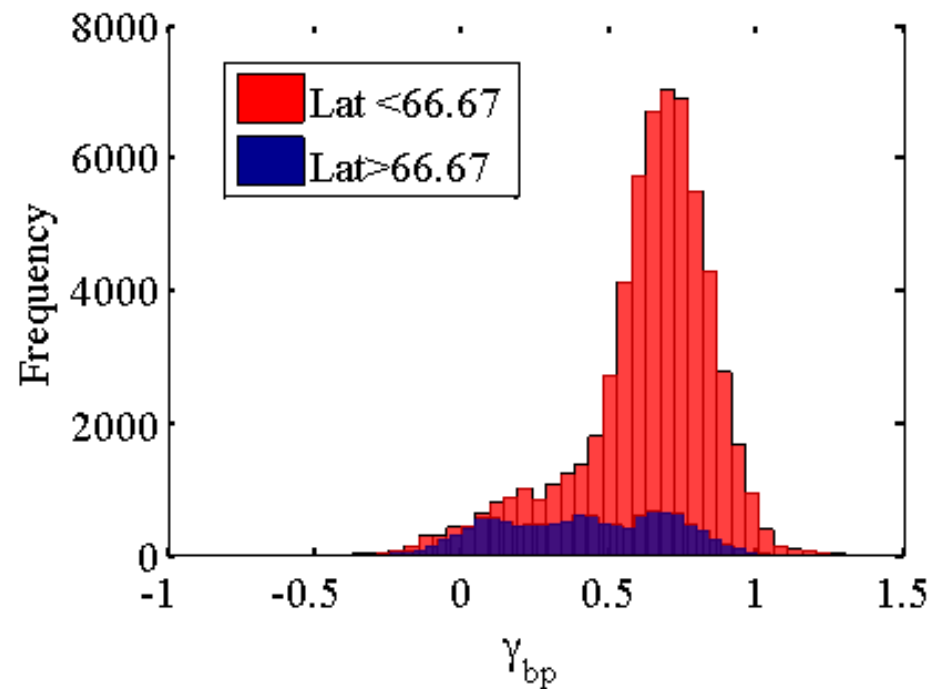
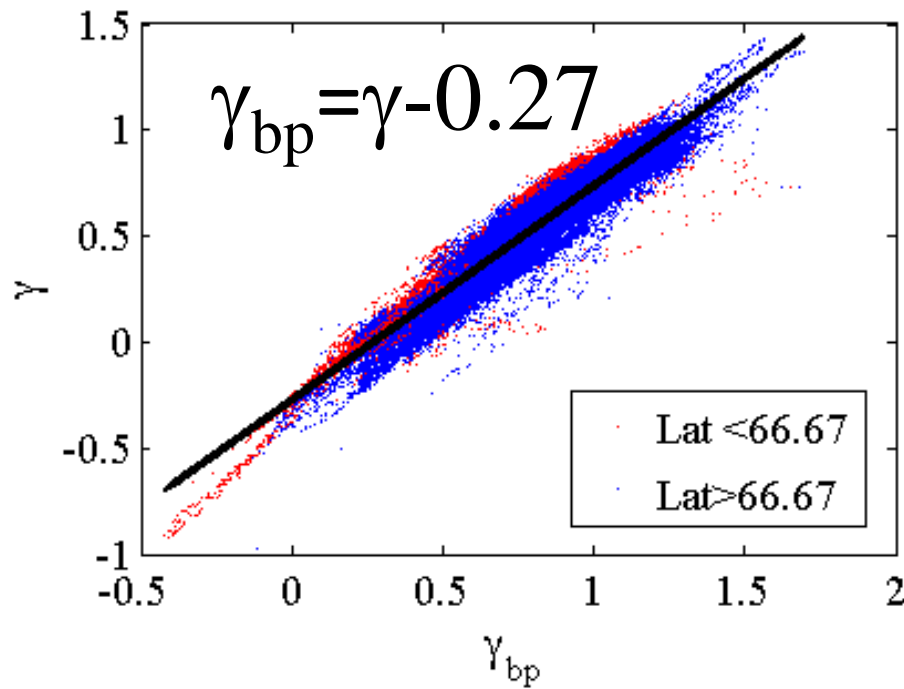
Results:

Link between size parameter,
temperature and chlorophyll



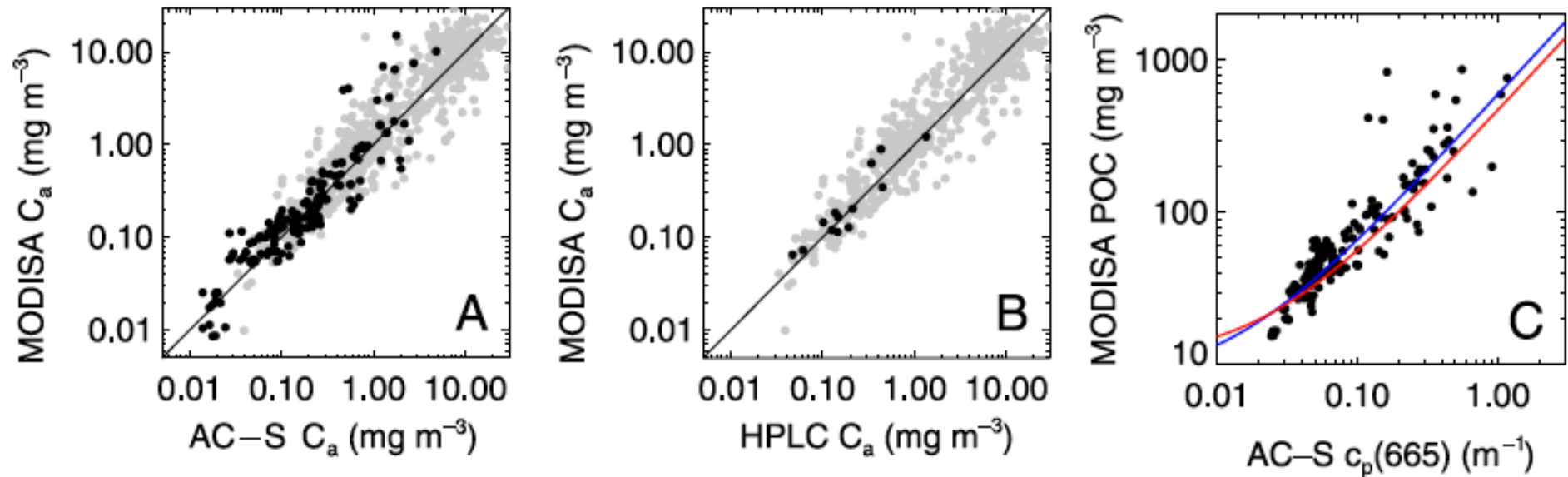
Spectra of b_p and c_p are well correlated ($\rho=0.96$)

But, Spectral exponents of b_p vs c_p are *different*

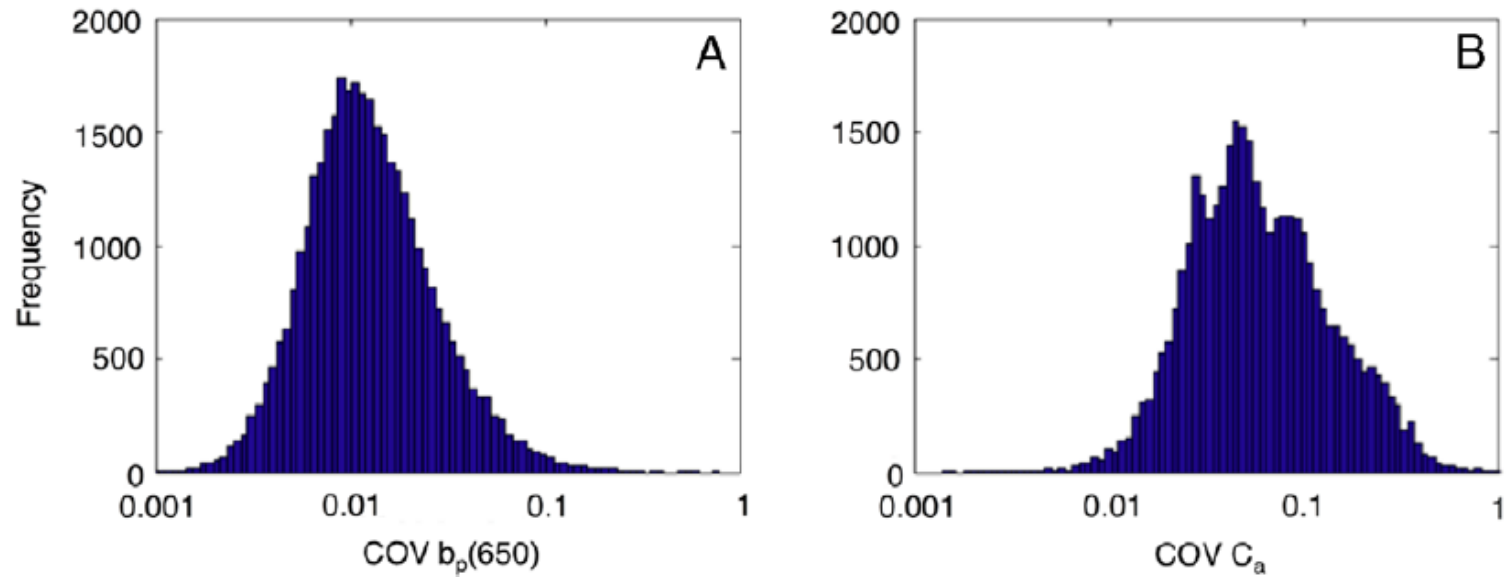


Important for algorithms such as GIOP

Comparison with remote sensing



IOP variance – within satellite pixel variability



Data dissemination

What is already on SeaBASS from Polar Circle (or in the mail box)?

AC-S particulate absorption and attenuation (1min & 1km² bins).

What will be submitted next?

Processed:

CDOM (U-Path, AC-S), Radiometry, Pigment, ALFA, profiles with $b_{bp}(650)$ and $c(660)$;

Being processed:

bb3, Flow-cytometer, Imaging-cytometers.

Summary

High quality data has been collected and is available.

Absorption/Pigment relationship in Arctic are similar to those observed in other oceans.

In general, surface arctic particles are larger than those in the global ocean consistent with trends observed in the literature.

In-line systems provide high spatial coverage hence more opportunities for match-up with satellites overpass (Werdell et al., 2014).

Proposed a PACE IOP activity to form a coherent database using community data collected in-line.

The characteristics of particulate absorption, scattering and attenuation coefficients in the surface ocean; Contribution of the Tara Oceans expedition[☆]

Manuscripts in MiO special issue in honor of R. Zaneveld. All open access.

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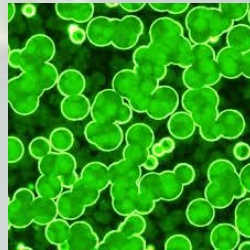
Underway sampling of marine inherent optical properties on the Tara Oceans expedition as a novel resource for ocean color satellite data product validation[☆]

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Tara data: where does it fit?

Ecology



Ecosystem models



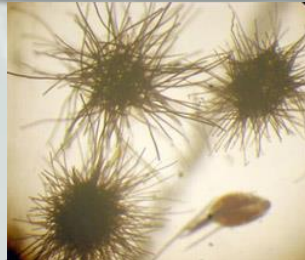
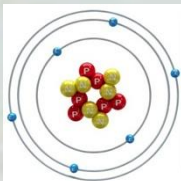
Environment
Physics/chemistry



Biogeochemical models



Biogeochemistry



Biomass

Rates