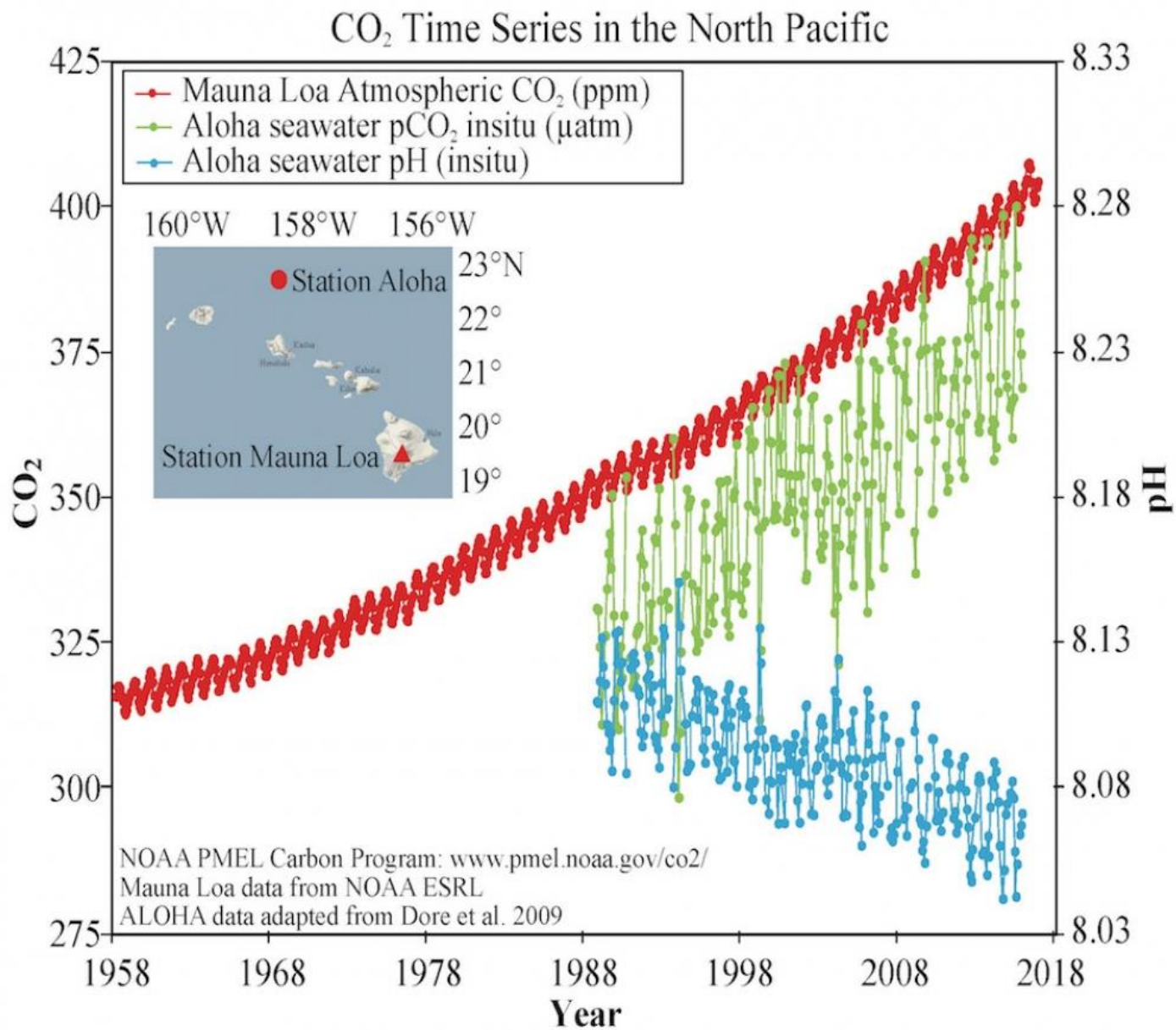


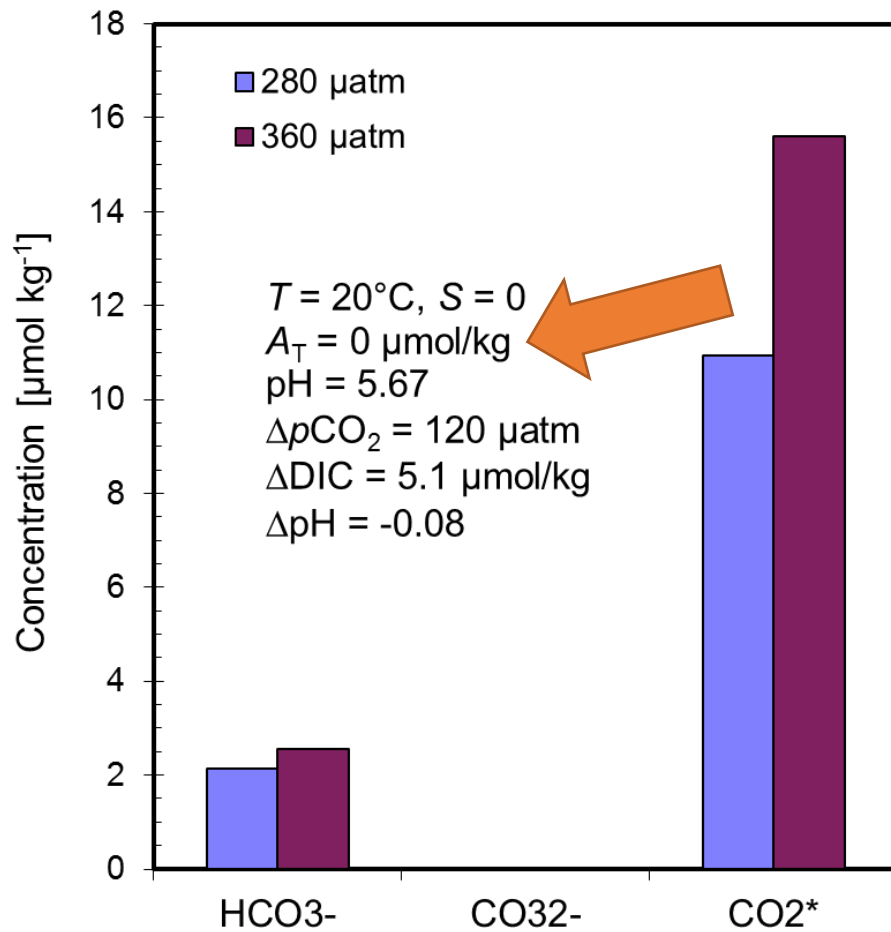
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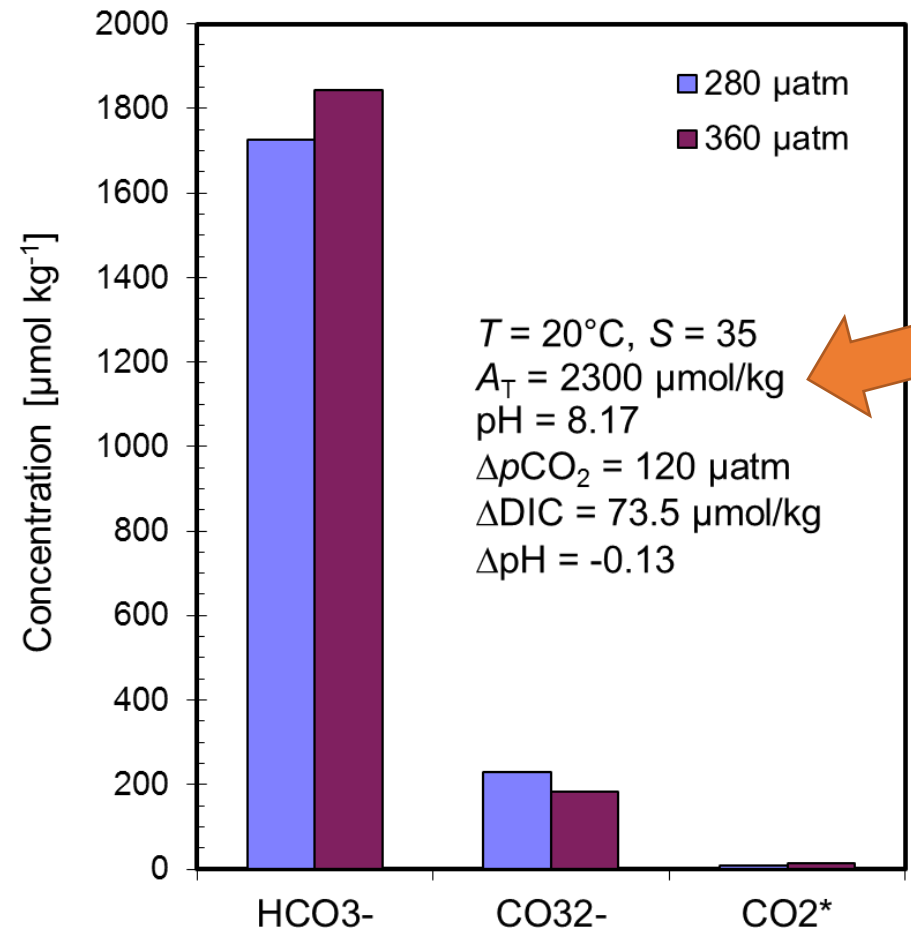
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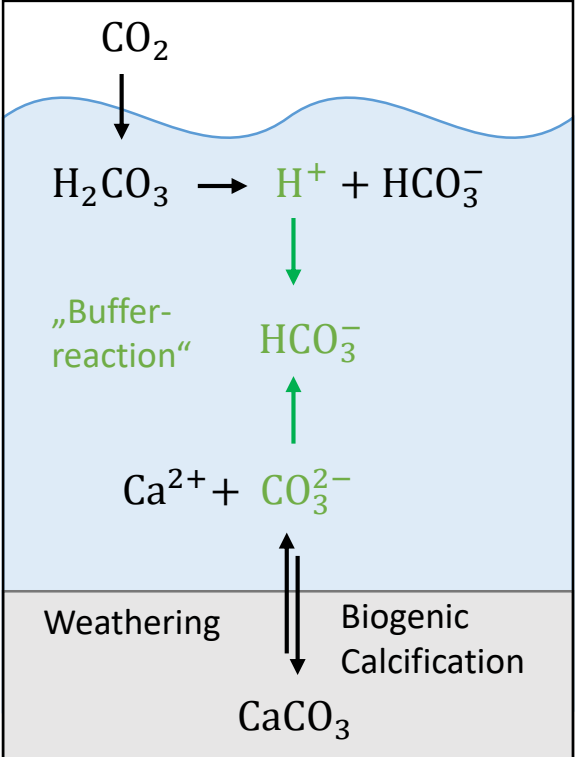
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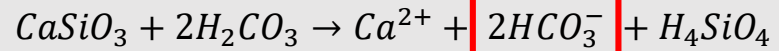
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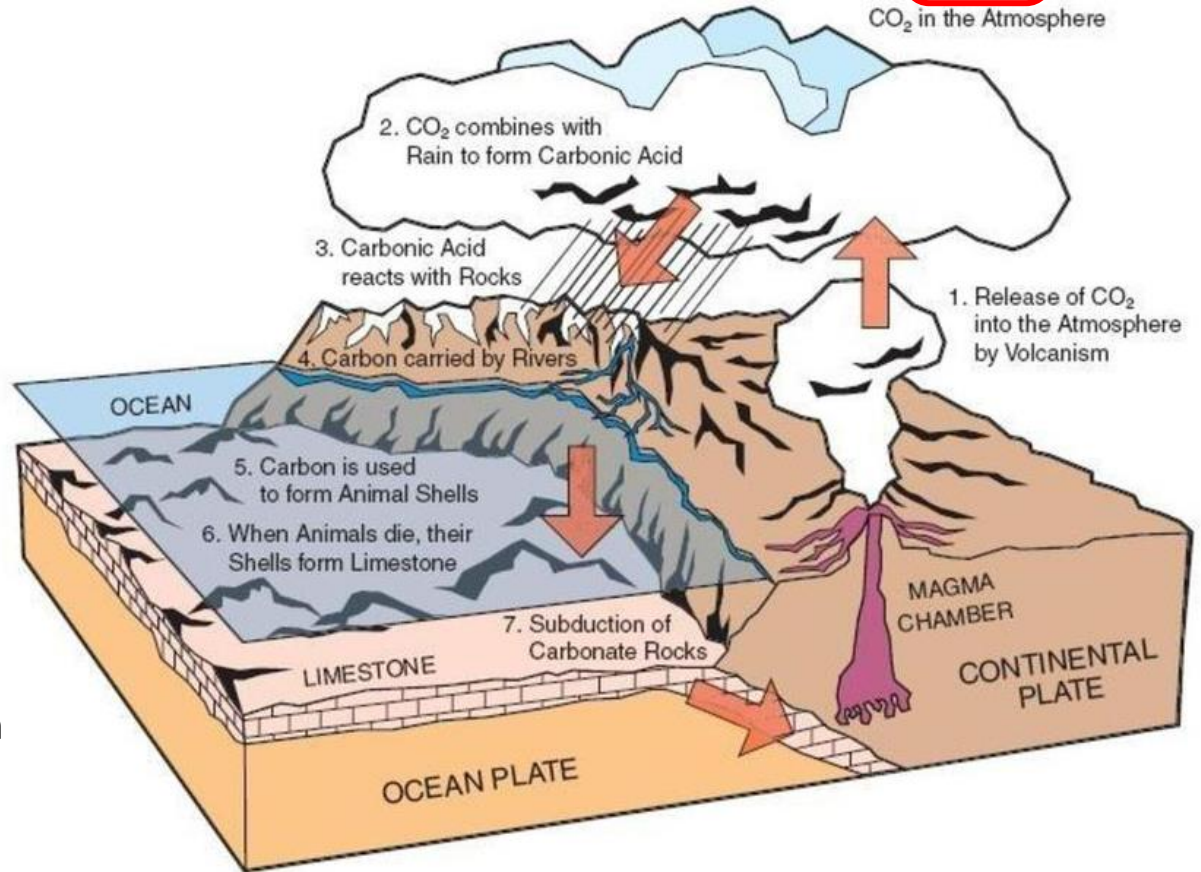
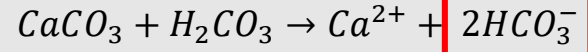
Recap: The Alkalinity Concept



Silicate weathering



Limestone weathering



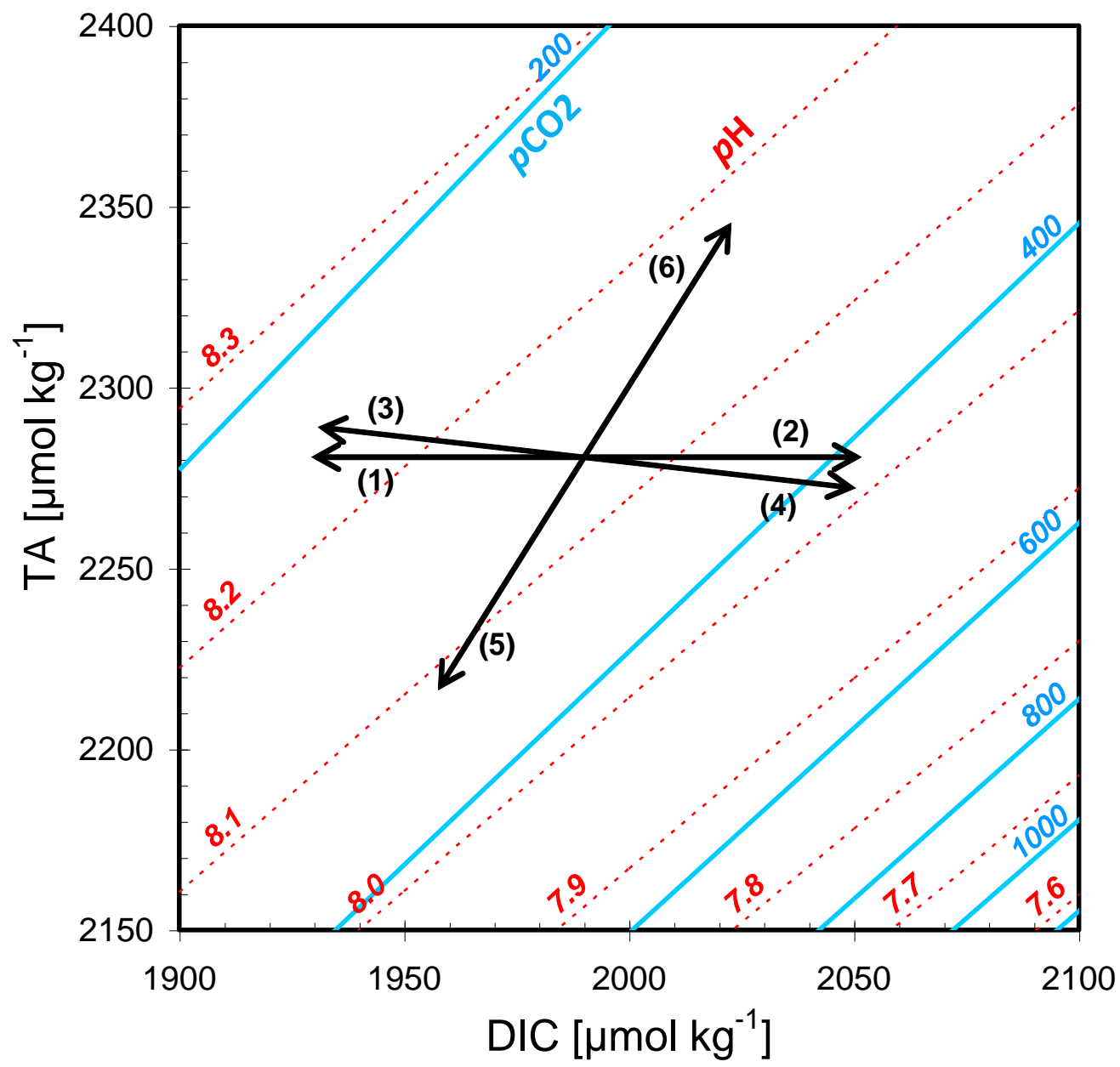
Alkalinity A_T

- Defined as the excess of proton acceptors over proton donors
- Carbonate Alkalinity:

$$A_T \approx [HCO_3^-] + 2[CO_3^{2-}] + [OH^-] - [H^+]$$

- Buffer reaction controls the CO₂-uptake capacity of seawater

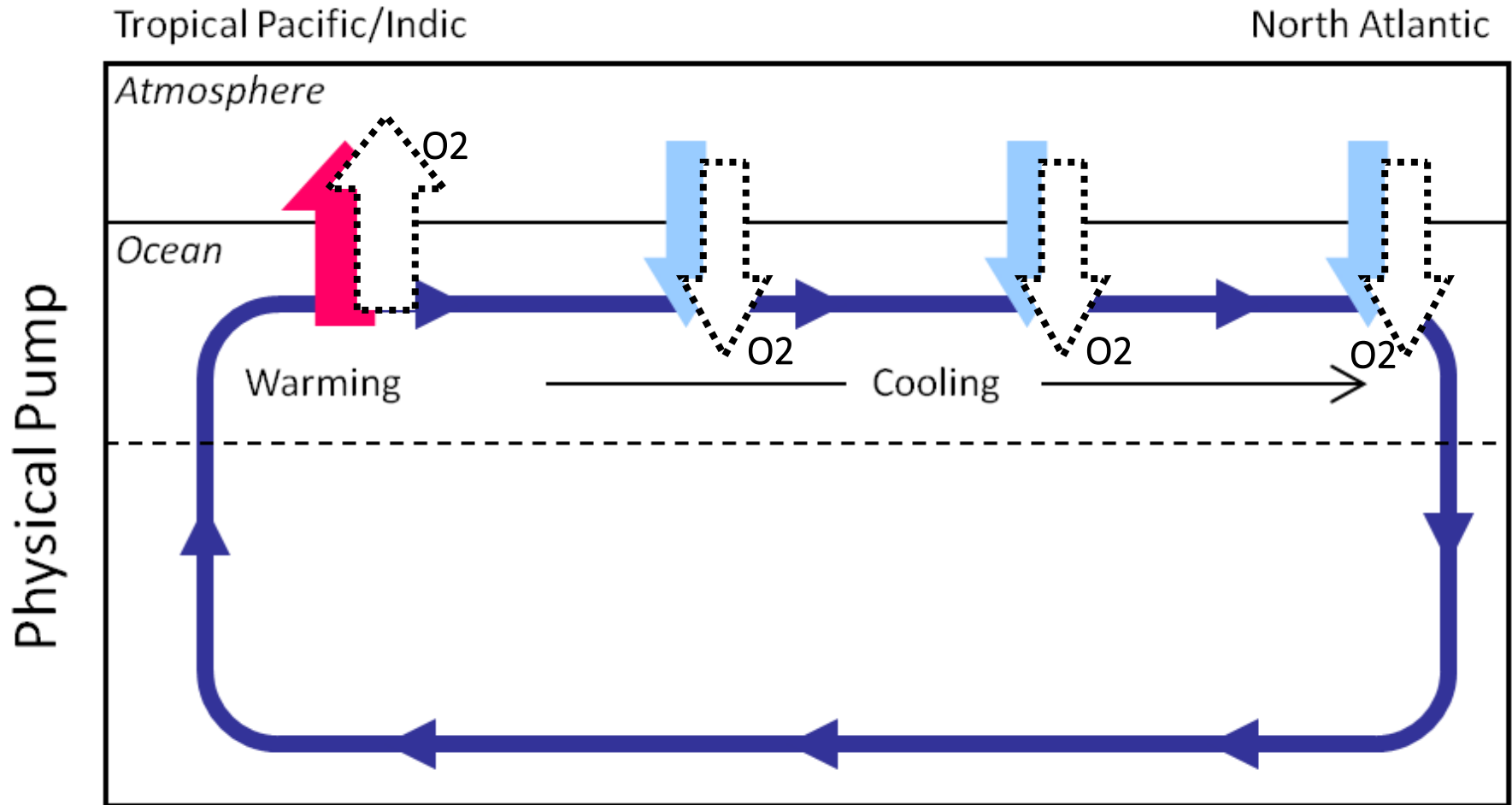
Recap: Biogeochemical processes in the parameter space of the marine CO₂ system

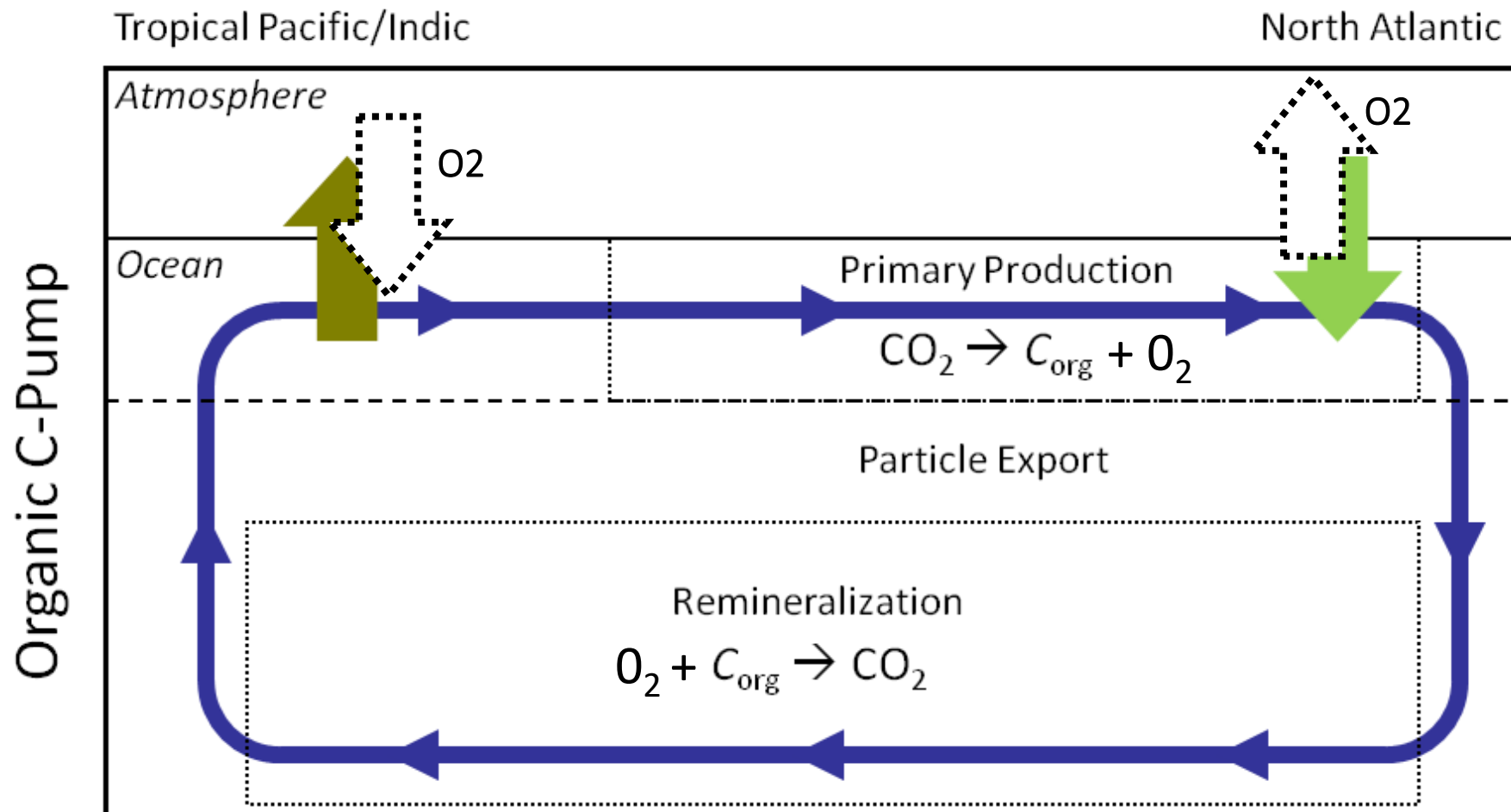
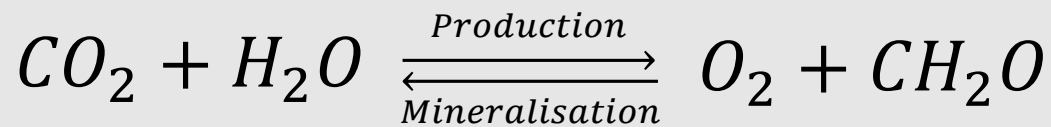


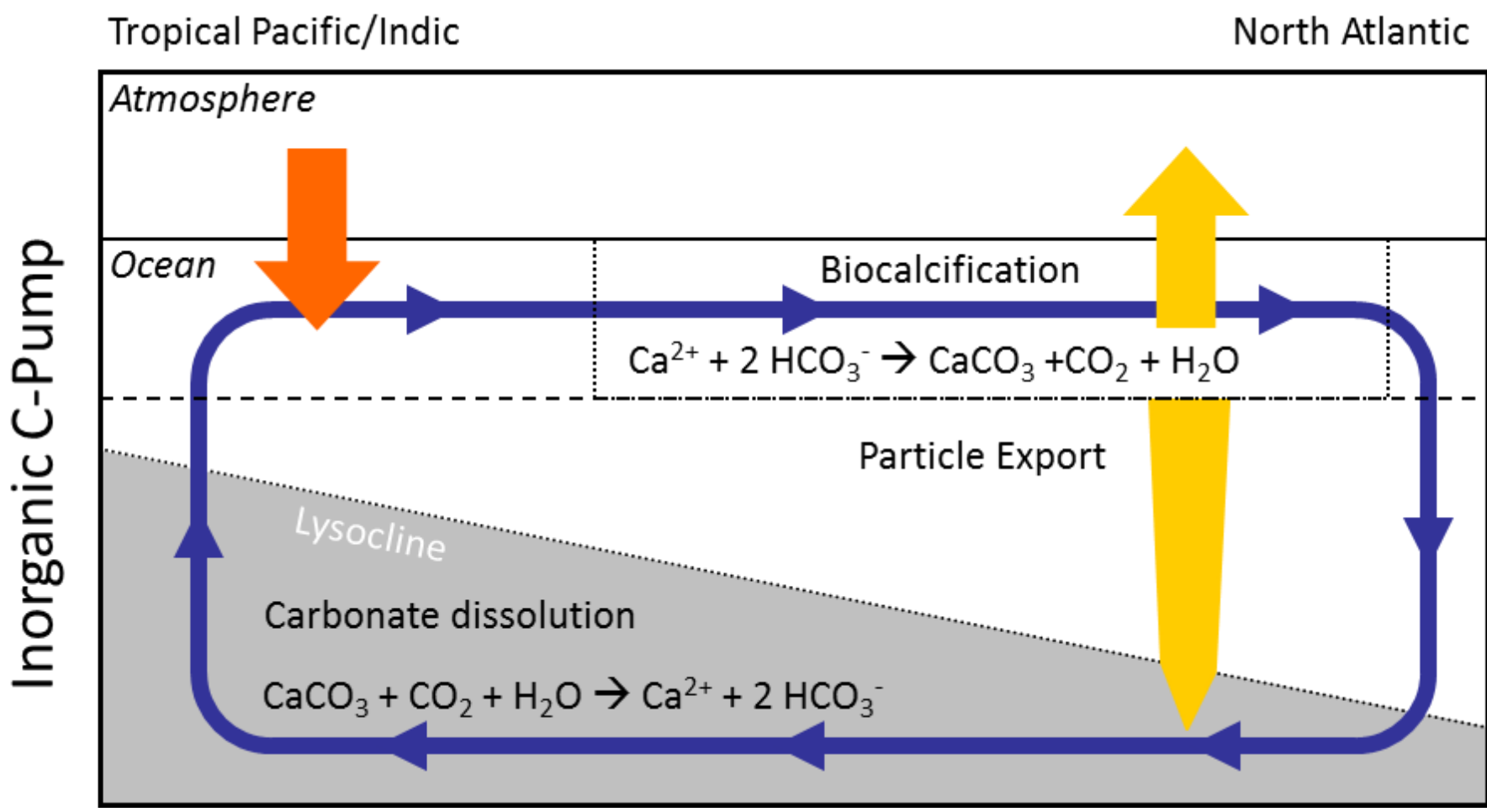
- (1) CO₂ release to atmosphere
- (2) CO₂ uptake from atmosphere
- (3) Primary production
- (4) Respiration
- (5) Calcification
- (6) Carbonate dissolution

Physical Carbon Pump (aka: Solubility Pump)

- Decrease in SST favors O_2 solubility and increases density
- Downwelling in the North Atlantic (e.g. Labrador Sea) ventilates ocean interior

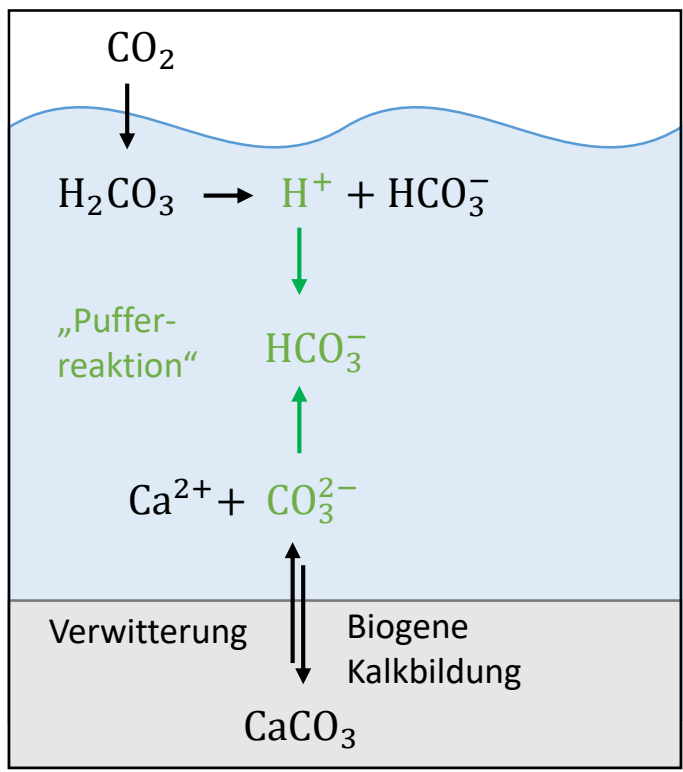








Globale Veränderungen des marinen CO₂-Systems: Beispiel Nordatlantik¹



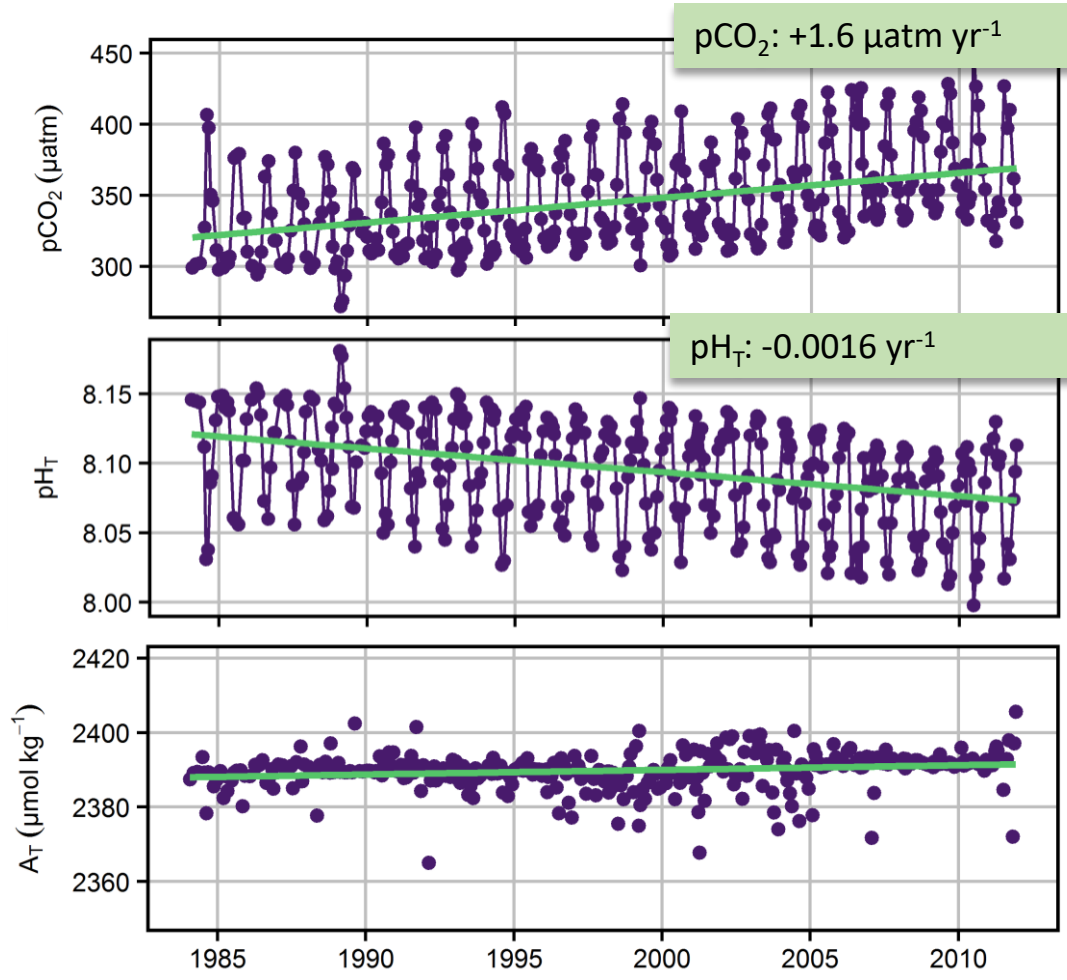
Alkalinität A_T

Überschuss an Protonenakzeptoren

$$A_T \approx [\text{HCO}_3^-] + 2[\text{CO}_3^{2-}] + [\text{OH}^-] - [\text{H}^+]$$

Je höher A_T , desto:

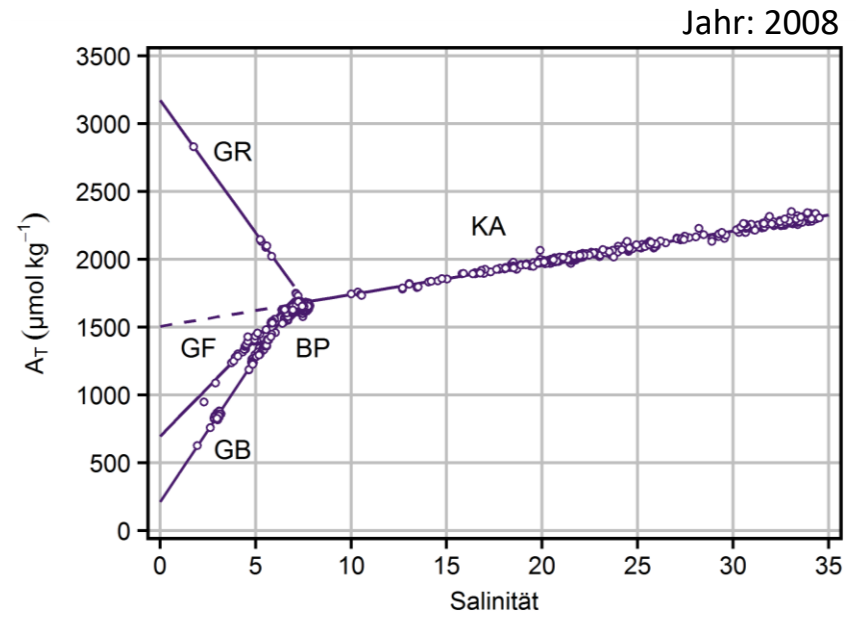
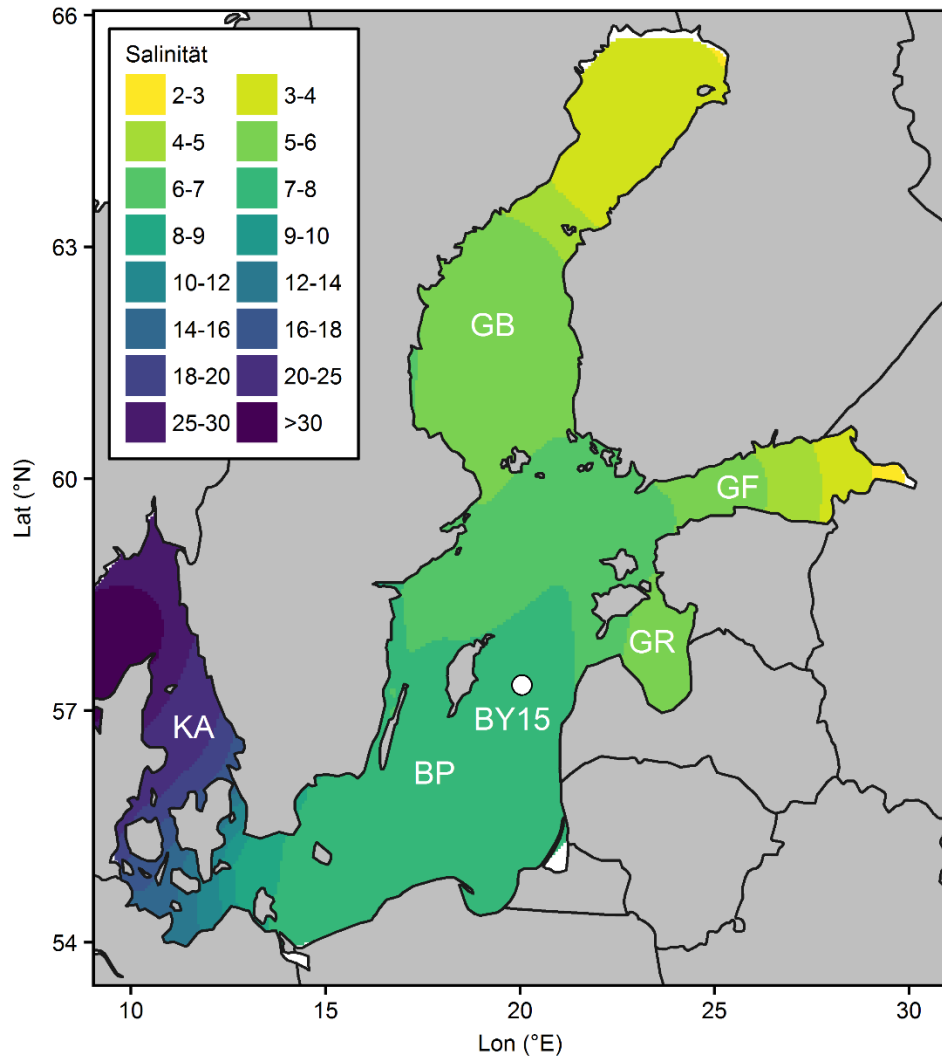
- geringer $|\Delta\text{pH}/\Delta\text{pCO}_2|$
- geringer $|\Delta\Omega/\Delta\text{pCO}_2|$



Voraussetzung für strikte Korrelation zwischen pCO_2 und pH :
Gleichbleibende Alkalinität!

Gibt es auf Zeitskalen der Ozeanversauerung A_T -Änderungen in der Ostsee?

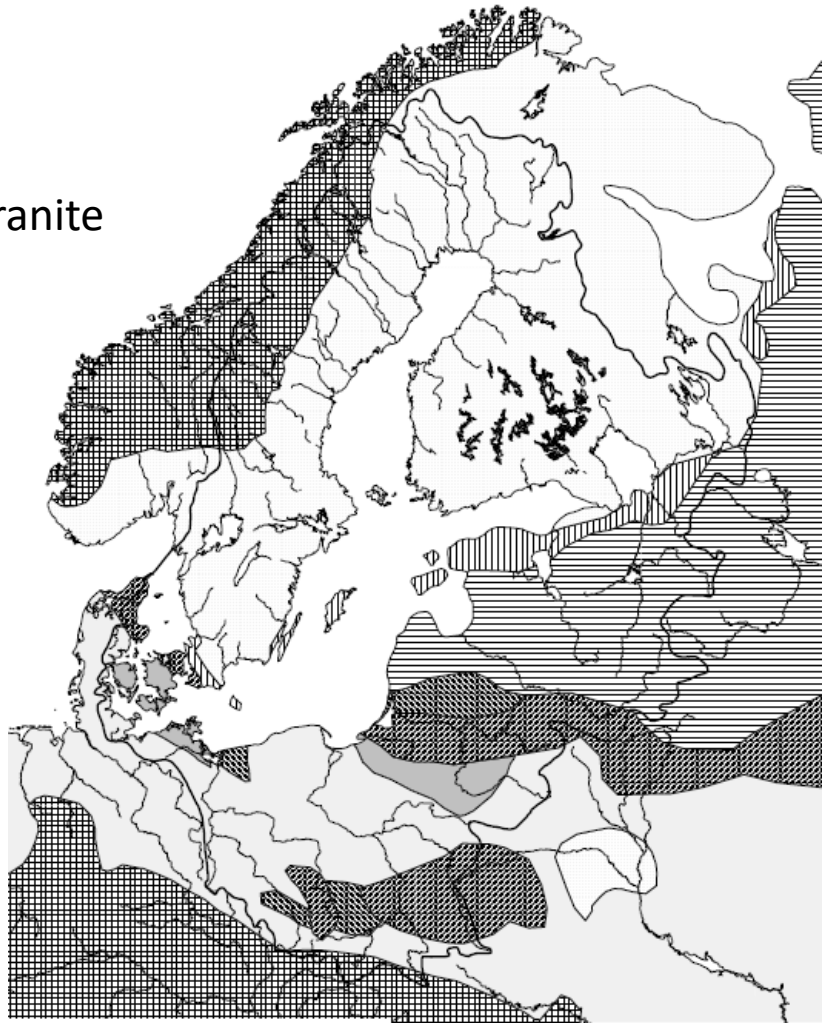
¹Bates et al. (2012) – Zeitreihe „BATS“



- Salinität und Alkalinität zeigen konservatives Mischungsverhalten
- Flusseinträge bestimmen A_T-S-Beziehung
- Wasserresidenzzeit
 - Ostsee ca. 30 Jahre¹
 - Ozean ca. 10⁴ Jahre²

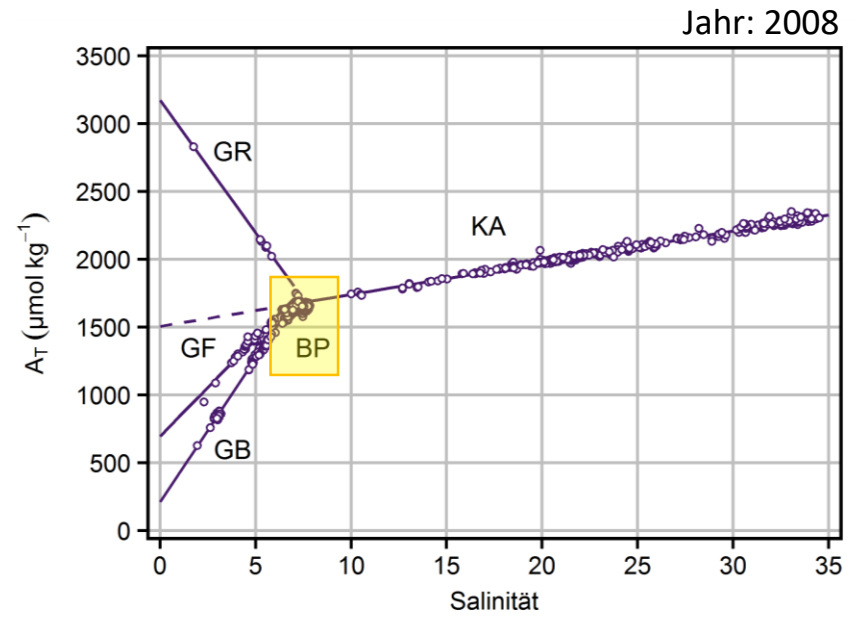
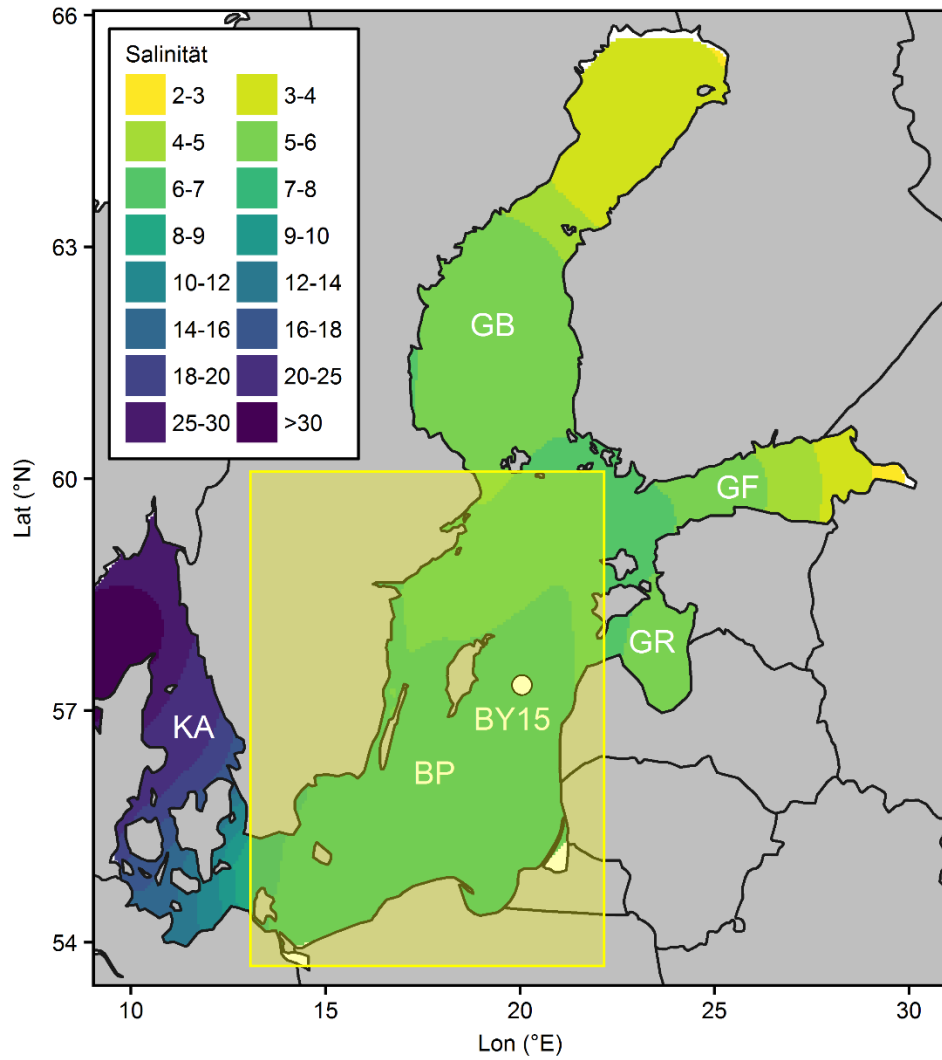
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North: Granite



South: Limestone

□ Neogen	Clay	1.8-24 mya
□ Paleogen	Sandstone, limestone	24-65 mya
▨ Upper Cretaceous	Sandstone, limestone	65-146 mya
▨ Lower Cretaceous, Jurassic, Triassic	Sandstone, basalt, shale, clay, claystone	146-248 mya
▨ Permian, Carboniferous, Devonian	Diabase, coal, sandstone	248-408 mya
▨ Silurian, Ordovician, Cambrian	Shale, claystone, conglomerate, limestone	408-640 mya
□ Igneous and Metamorphic	Granite, gneiss	before 640 mya
▨ Orogenetically complex	Gneiss, granite	various periods

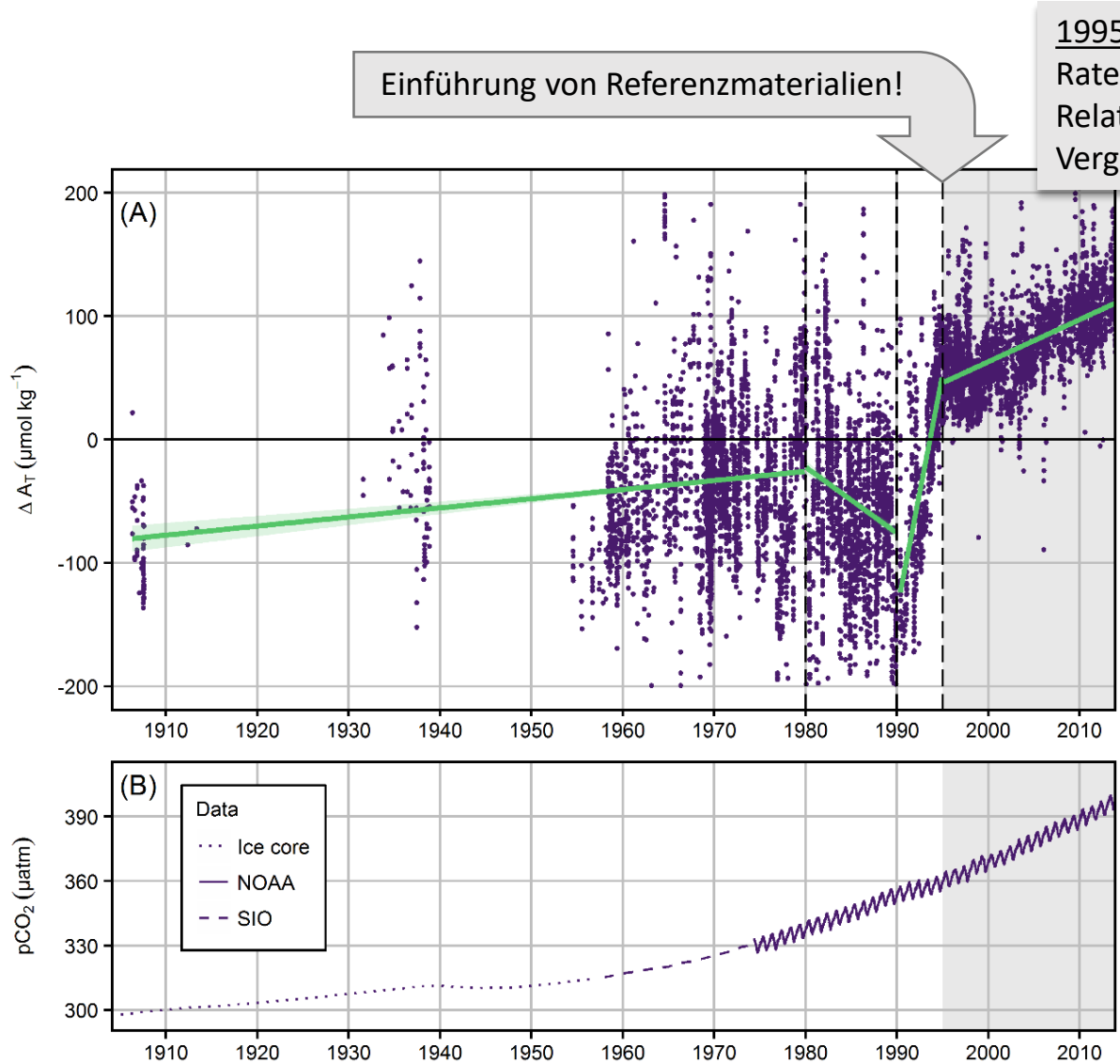


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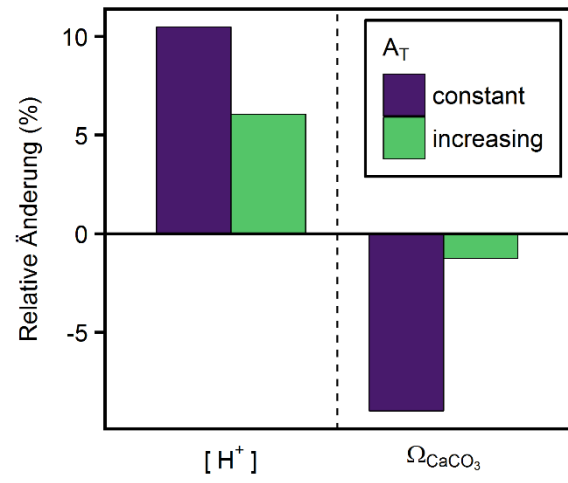
- Kompilierter Alkalinitäts-Datensatz³⁻⁵
- Zeitraum: 1906 - 2015
 - 31436 Messungen
 - Oberflächenwasser <20 m

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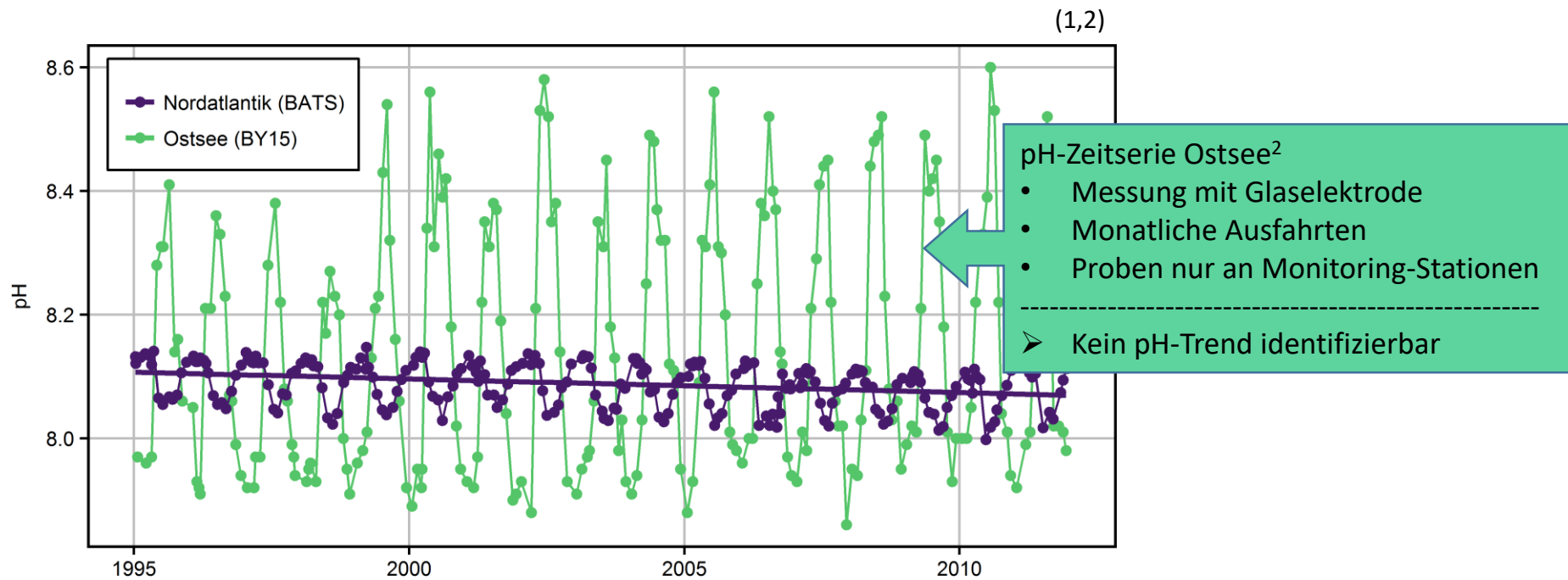
Alkalinitätstrends in der zentralen Ostsee



1995 - 2014
 Rate: $+3.4 \mu\text{mol kg}^{-1} \text{ yr}^{-1}$
 Relative Änderung: $+5\%$
 Vergl. Nordatlantik: $+0.1\%$



A_T -Anstieg wirkte
 Ozeanversauerung durch
 CO_2 -Aufnahme entgegen!

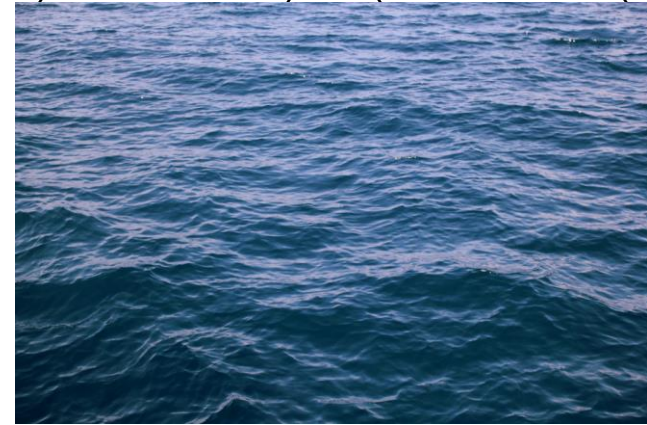
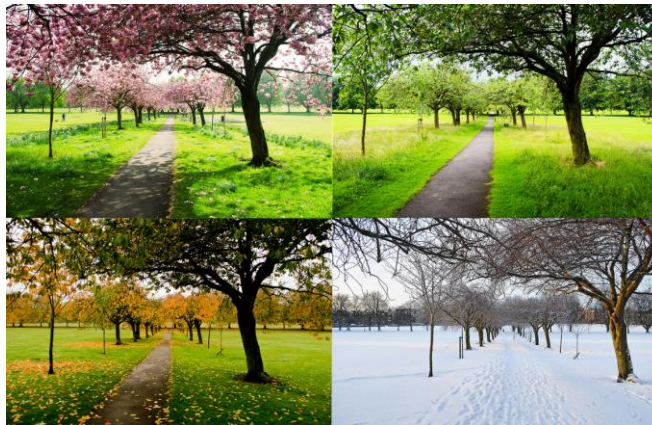
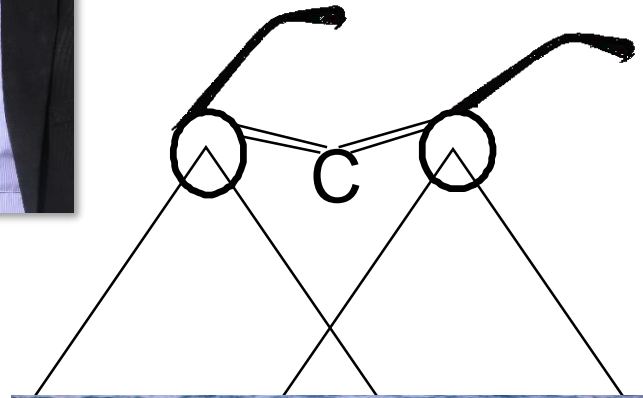
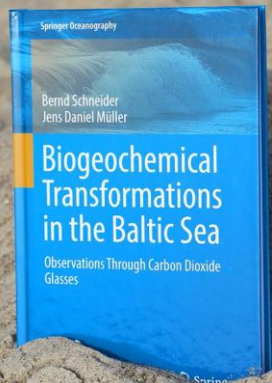


Fazit Ostsee

- Alkalinitätsanstieg pufferte Ozeanversauerung, Prognose unmöglich
- Starke pH-Schwankungen überlagern möglichen Langzeit-Trend
- Bisher keine adäquate pH-Messtechnik

➤ **Zeitlich und räumlich hochaufgelöste, genaue pH-Messungen erforderlich**

Biogeochemical transformations in the Baltic Sea: Observations through carbon dioxide glasses



Nutrients

- Small amounts
- Deviations from Redfield

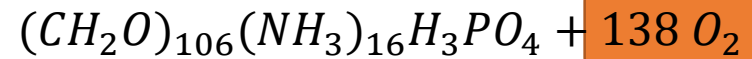


Carbon dioxide

- Retarded equilibration
- Inevitably involved in production/mineralization

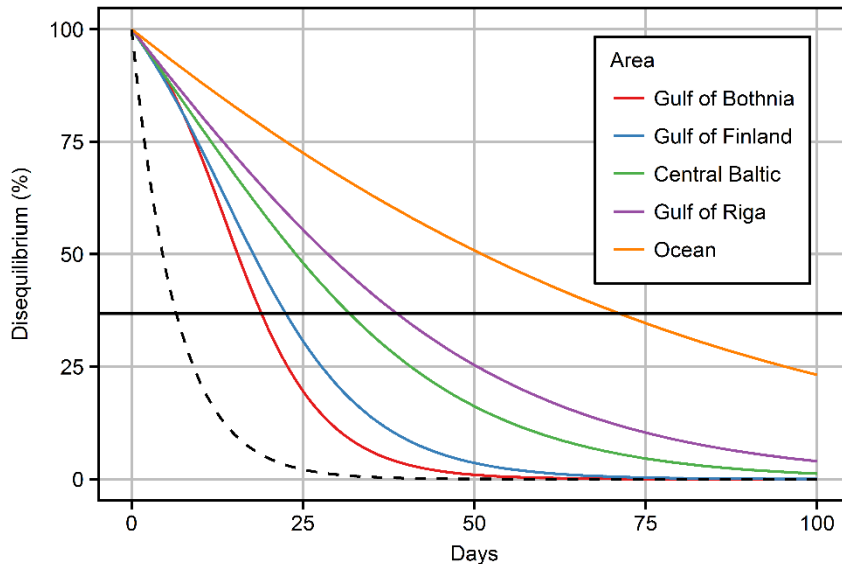
Mineralization

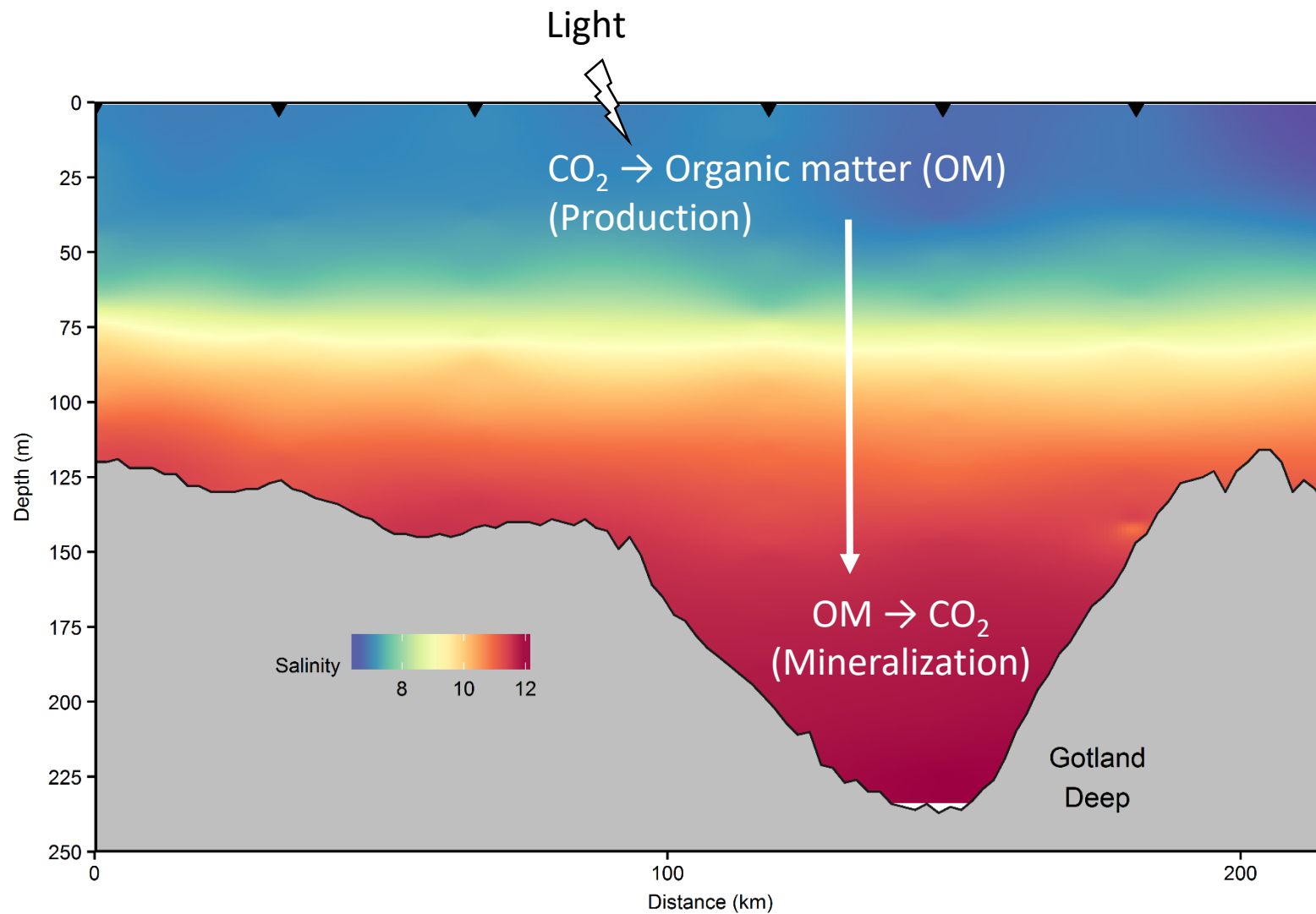
Organic matter production



Oxygen

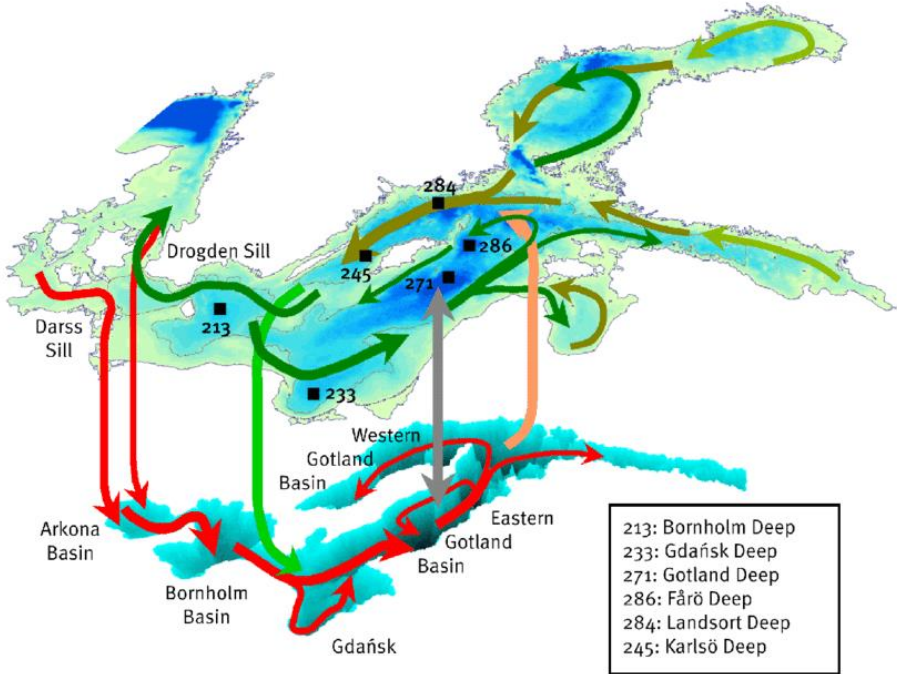
- Alternative e⁻-acceptors
- Fast equilibration



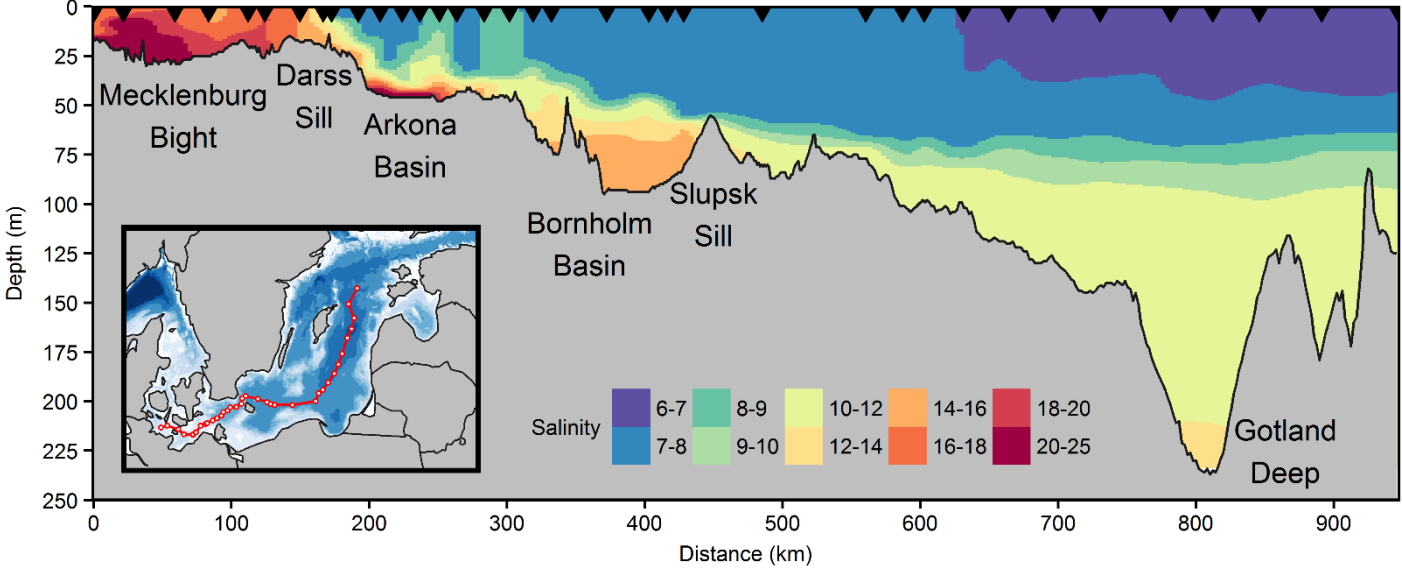


Baltic Sea: Estuarine circulation

- Salty and dense water from the North Sea fills the deep basins of the Baltic Sea
- A surplus of less saline surface water from river discharge flows out of the Baltic Sea

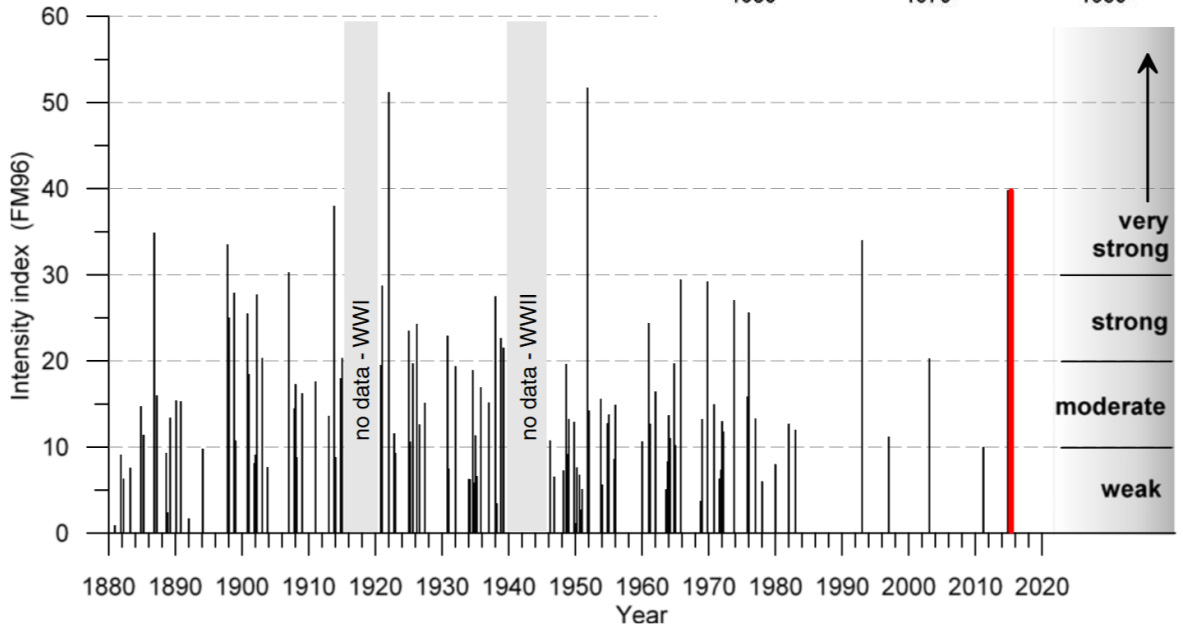
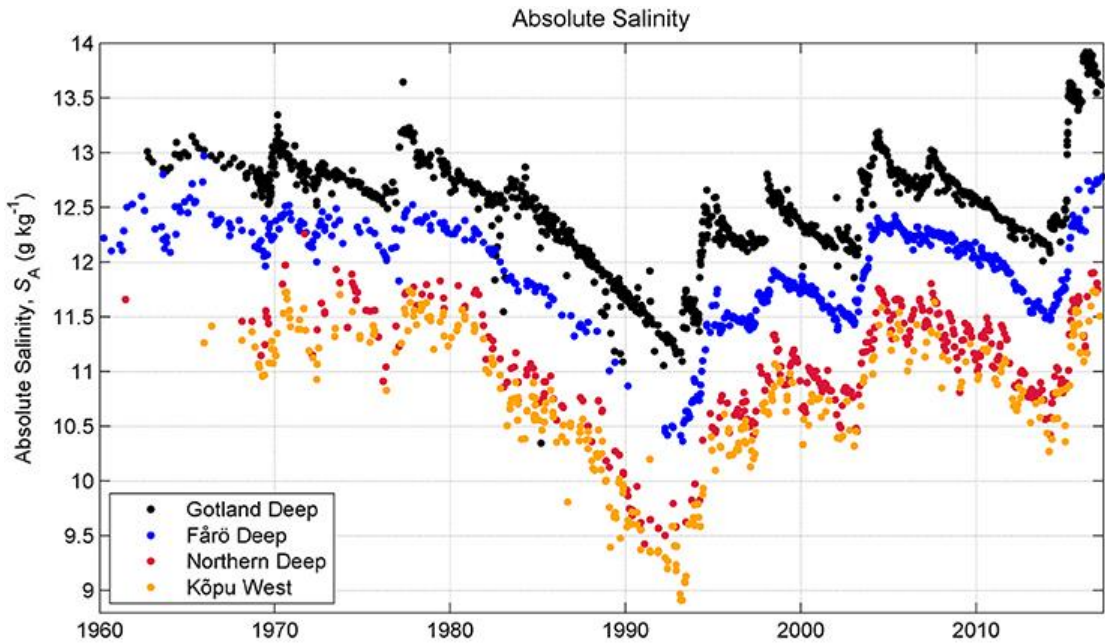


213: Bornholm Deep
 233: Gdańsk Deep
 271: Gotland Deep
 286: Fårö Deep
 284: Landsort Deep
 245: Karlsö Deep



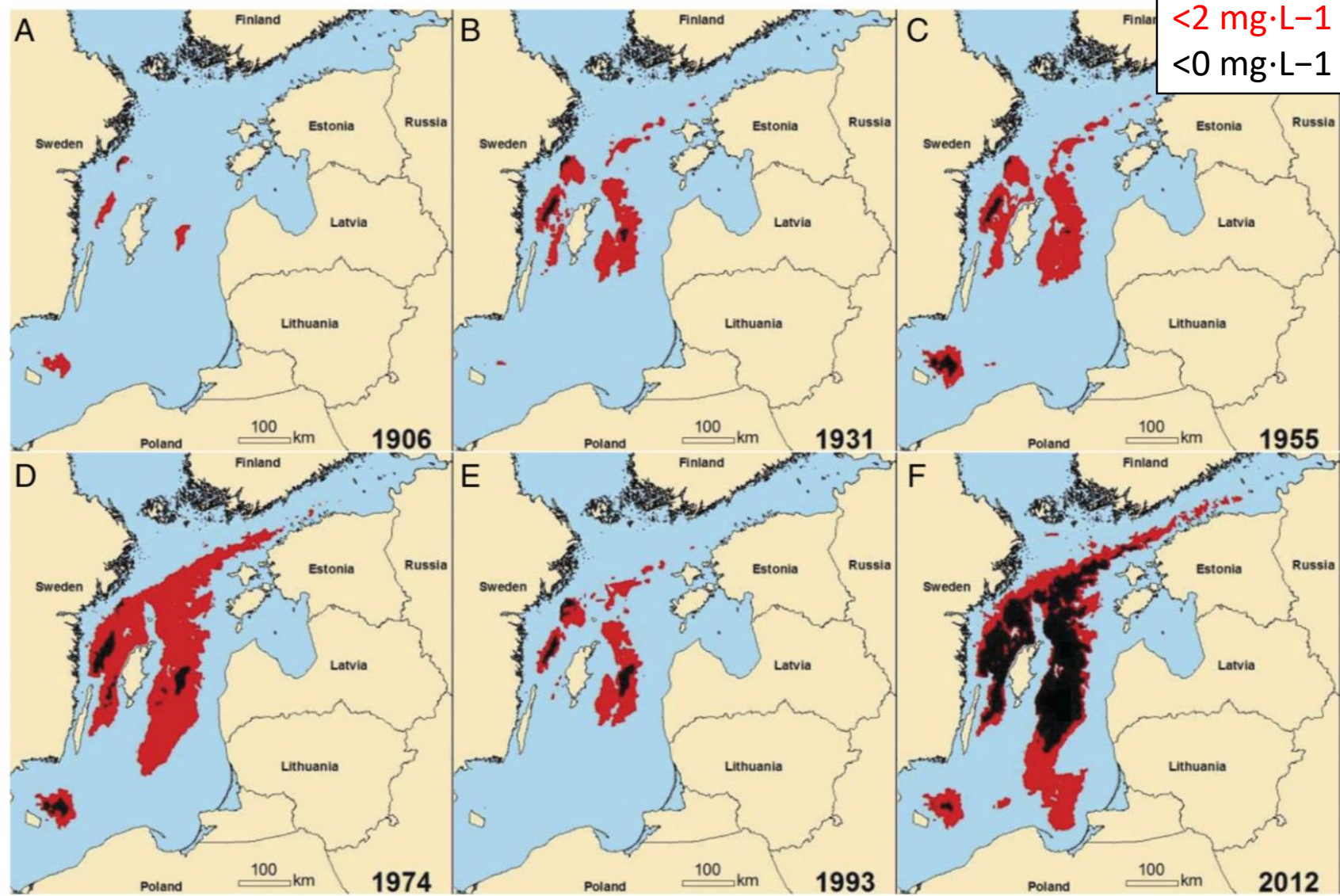
Major Baltic Inflow (MBI) events

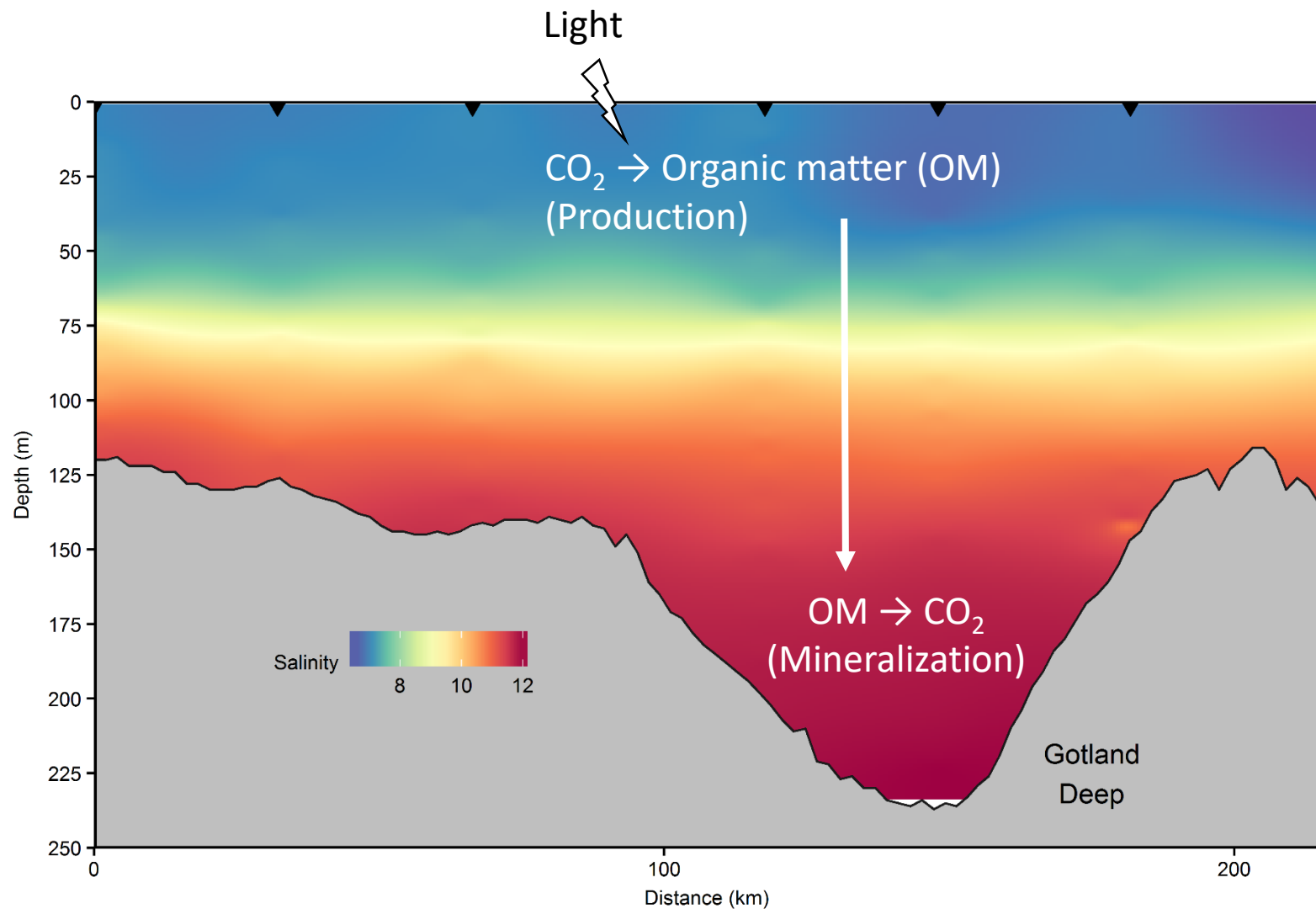
- Saltwater inflows happen in large inflow events



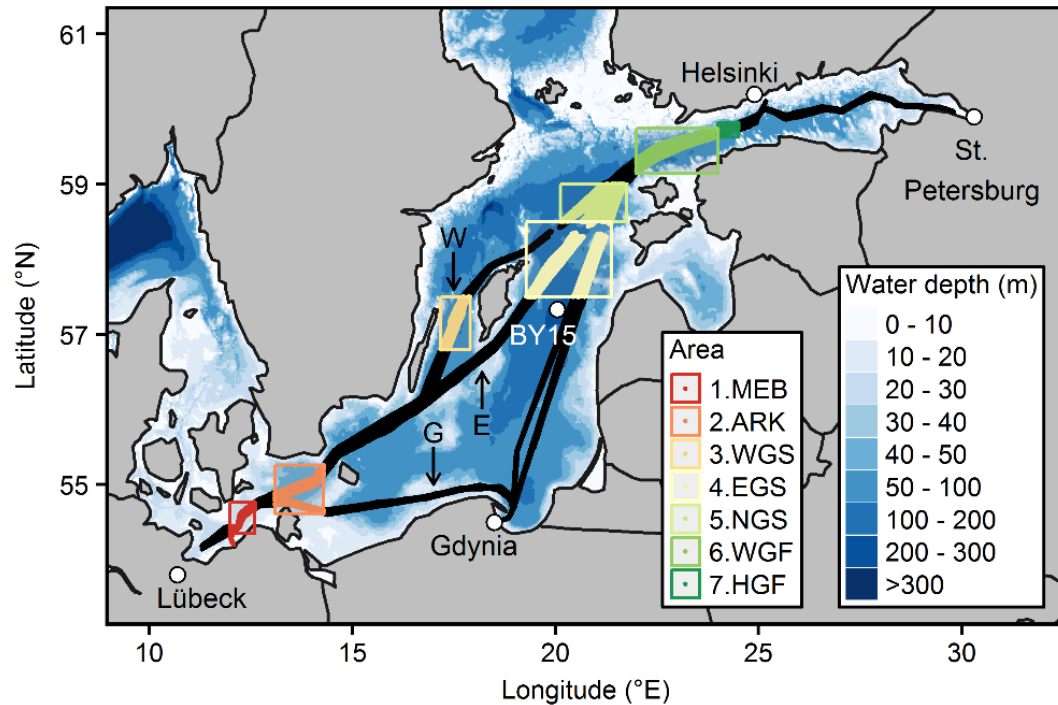
Increasing hypoxic and anoxic areas (dead zones)

Bottom oxygen
<2 mg·L⁻¹
<0 mg·L⁻¹





Observation of the Baltic Sea CO₂-system since 2003



VOS Finnmaid

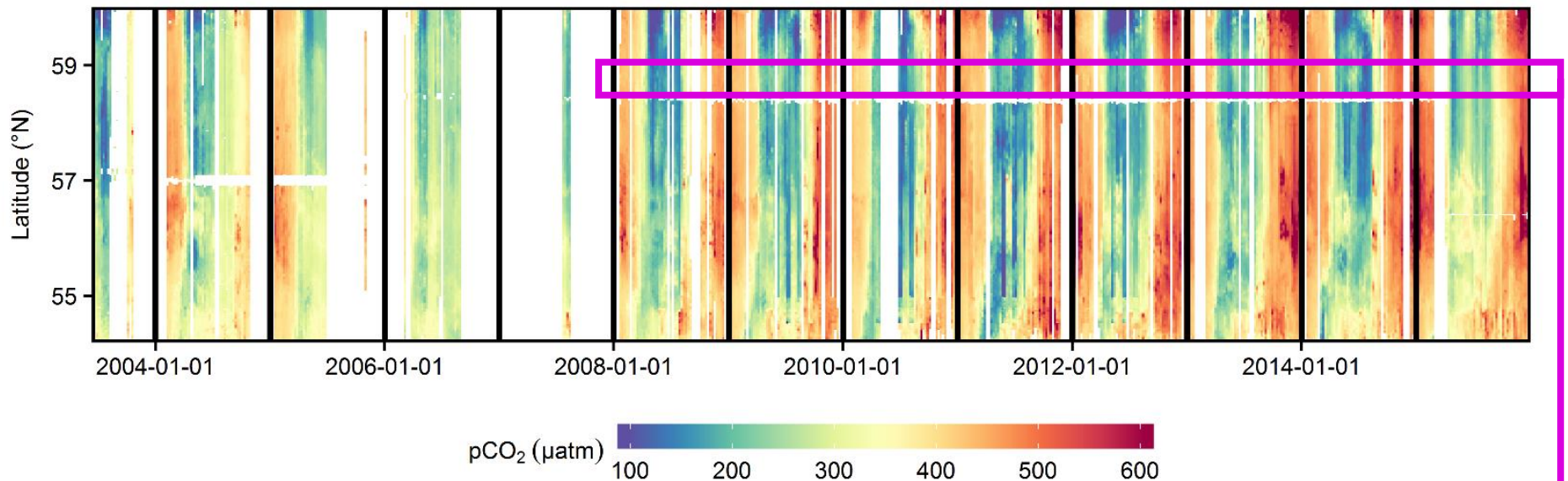
- Automated pCO₂ measurements
 - Up to 5 transects / week
 - Total: 1600 transects
 - Mainly eastern route (E)
 - Production studies



Monitoring BY15

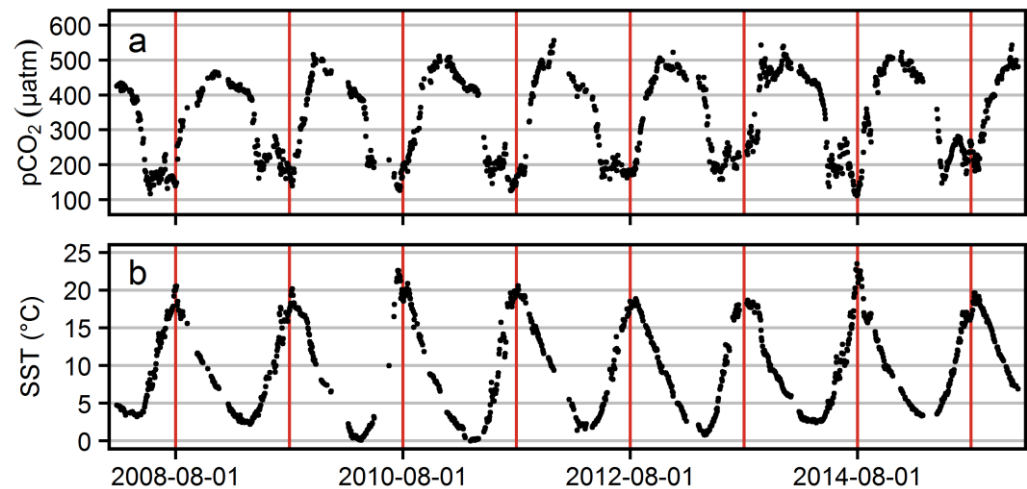
- Discrete C_T measurements
- 100 – 233m in steps of 25m
- Total: 58 profiles
- Mineralization studies

Surface water pCO₂ patterns

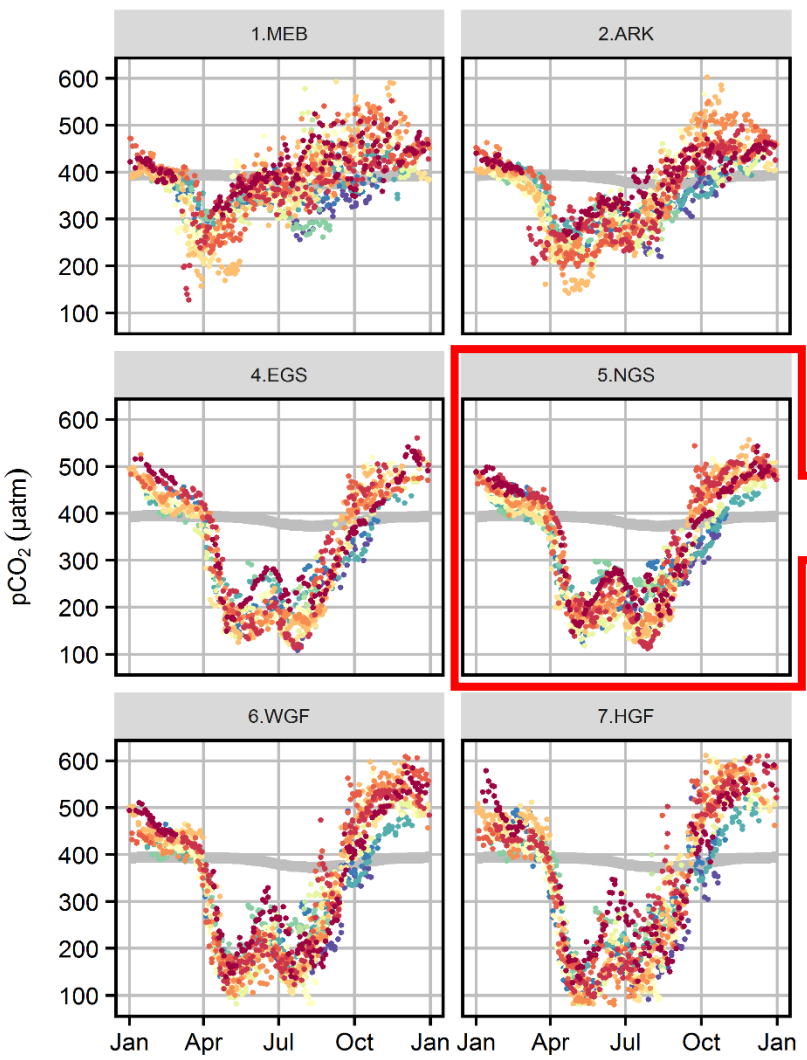


Characteristics

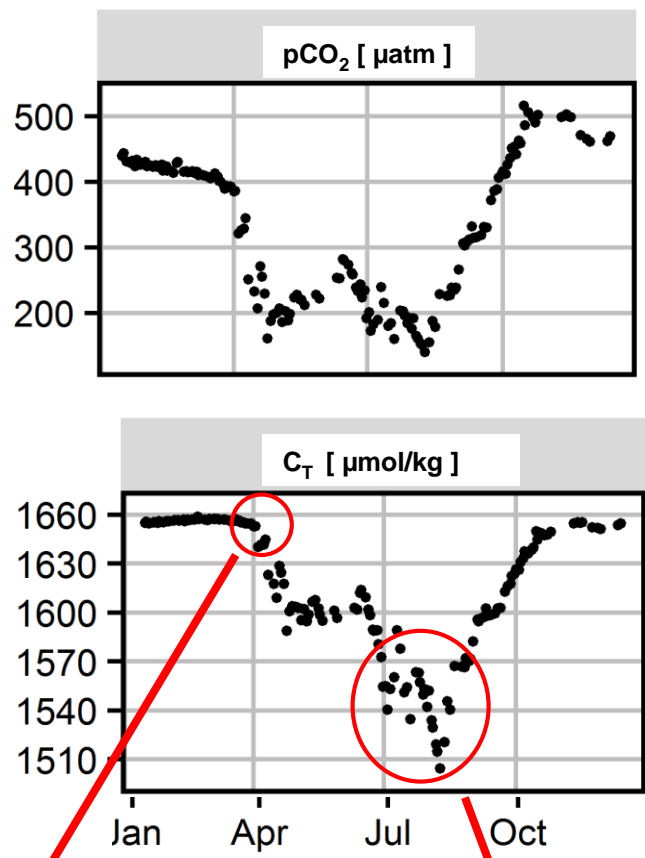
- Strong pCO₂ amplitude:
 - S->N gradient
- Anti-correlation with temperature:
 - Biological control



The seasonality of pCO₂, 2003 – 2014.



The fine structure of the CO₂ partial pressure (pCO₂) and total CO₂ (C_T) seasonality in the northern Gotland Sea (2009)



Spring bloom

Mid-summer bloom

Spring bloom net community production, integrated over depth, iNCP [mmol-C/m²]

Not available for mid-summer bloom!

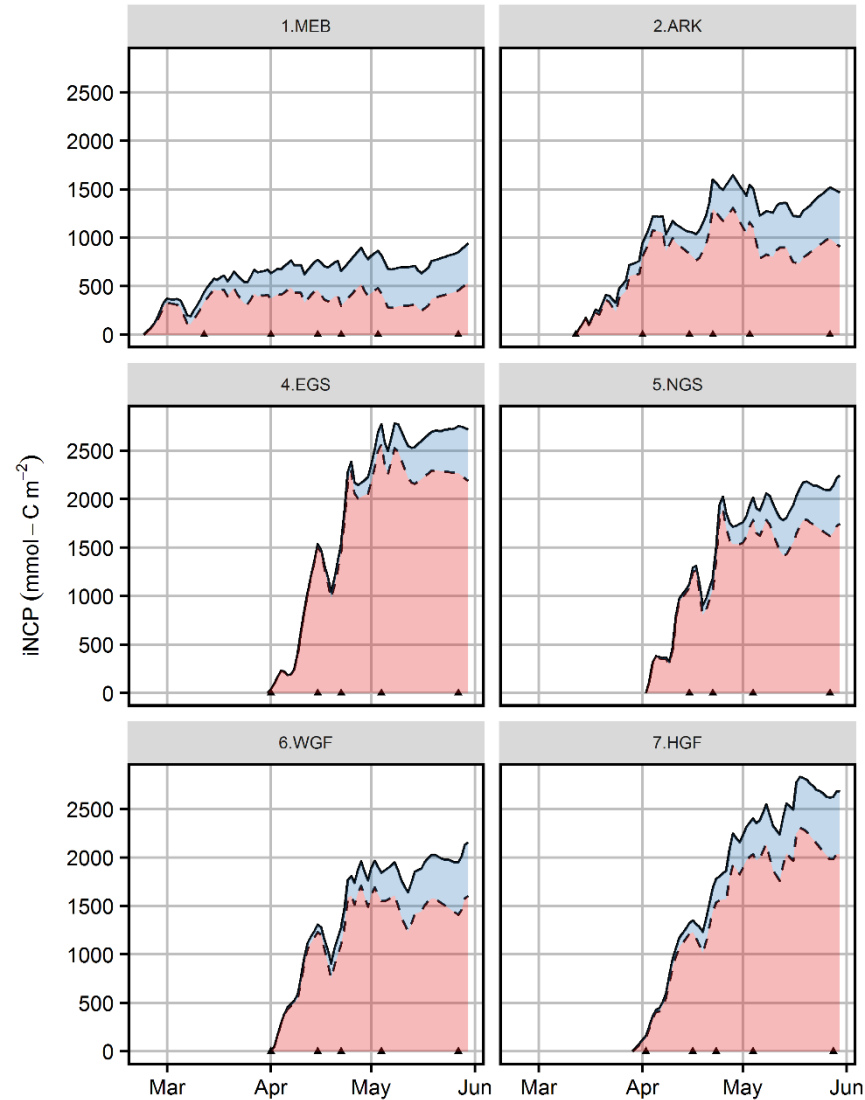
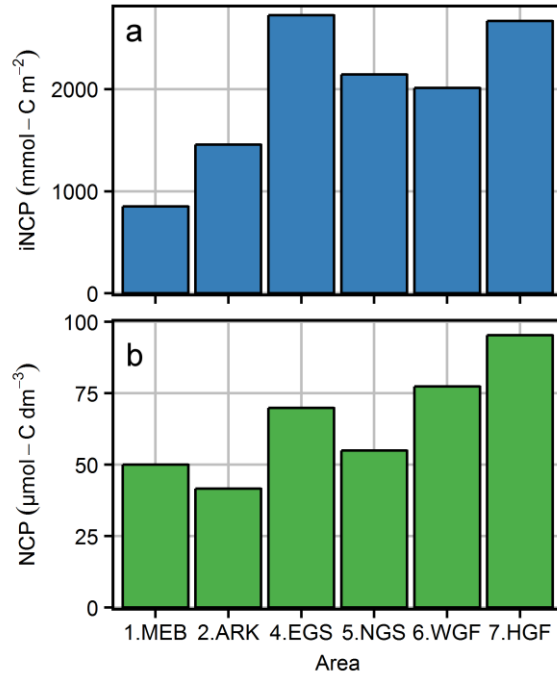
$$iNCP = (\Delta C_T \cdot z_{eff} + F_{AS} \cdot \Delta t) \cdot 0.8$$

F_{AS} – CO₂ exchange with the atmosphere;

z_{eff} – effective penetration depth;

Δt considered time intervall;

All sub-transects:



#BloomSail

Chasing Cyanobacteria Blooms
in the Baltic Sea with SV Tina V



Vessel: 27 foot sailing vessel Tina V
Time: June – Aug 2018
Crew: Jens D. Müller + 6 x 2 sailors

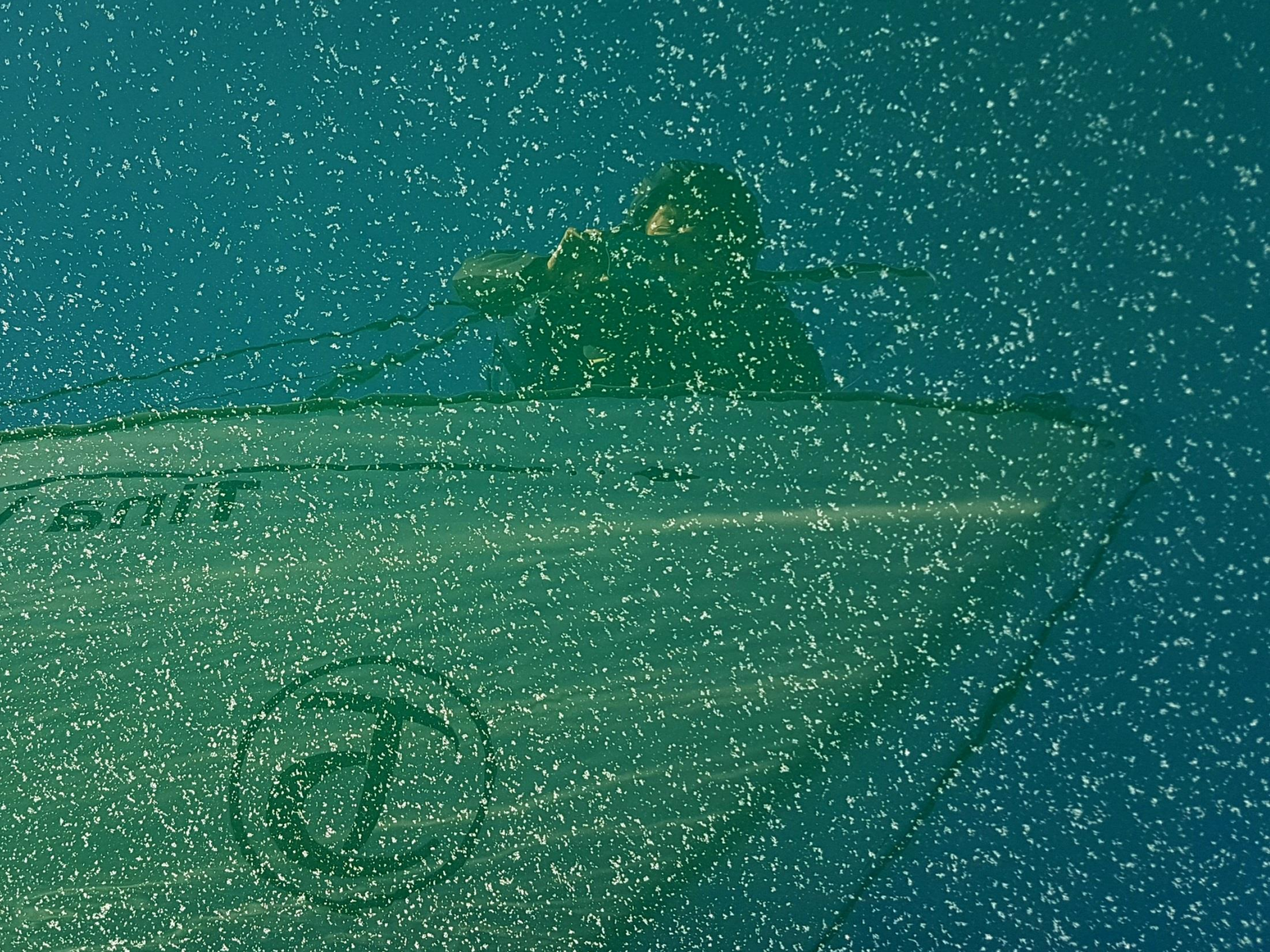
Sensor-package for
surface transects and profiles:
pCO₂, pH, O₂, Chl_a, CTD

Discrete Sampling: Nutrients, POM,
Phytoplankton





*Cafe
Niedlich*







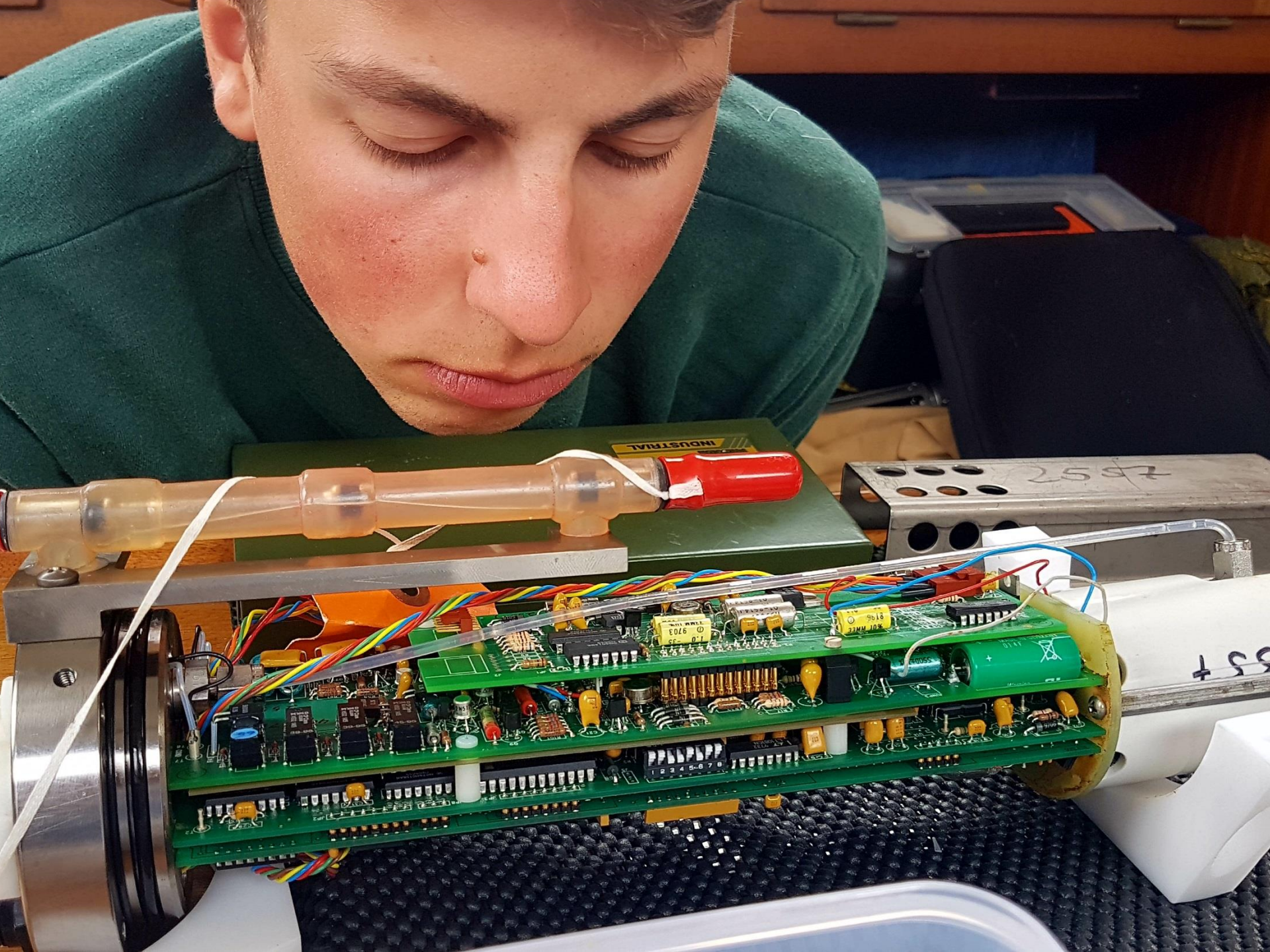




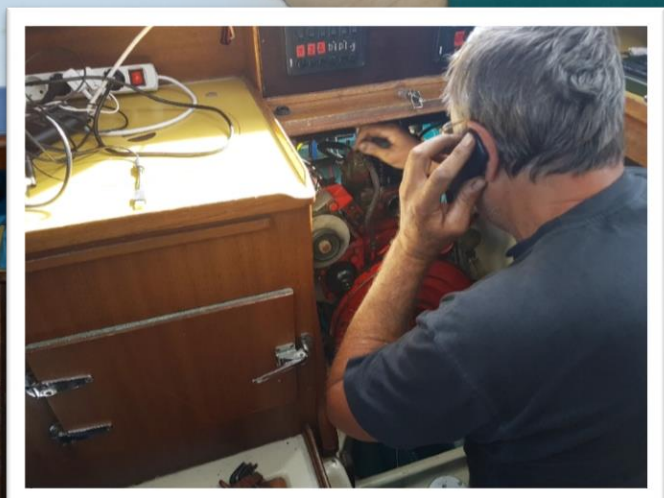






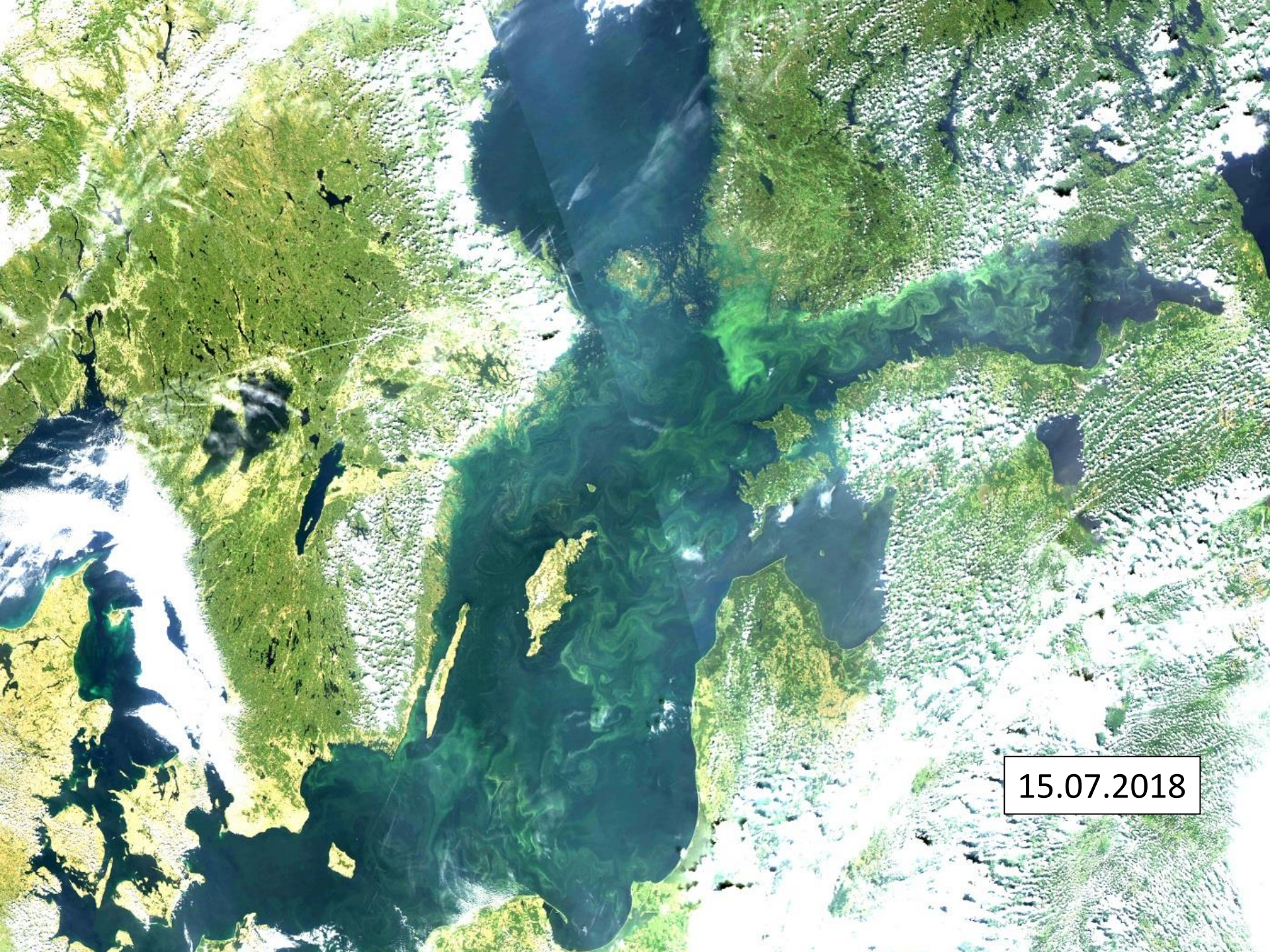




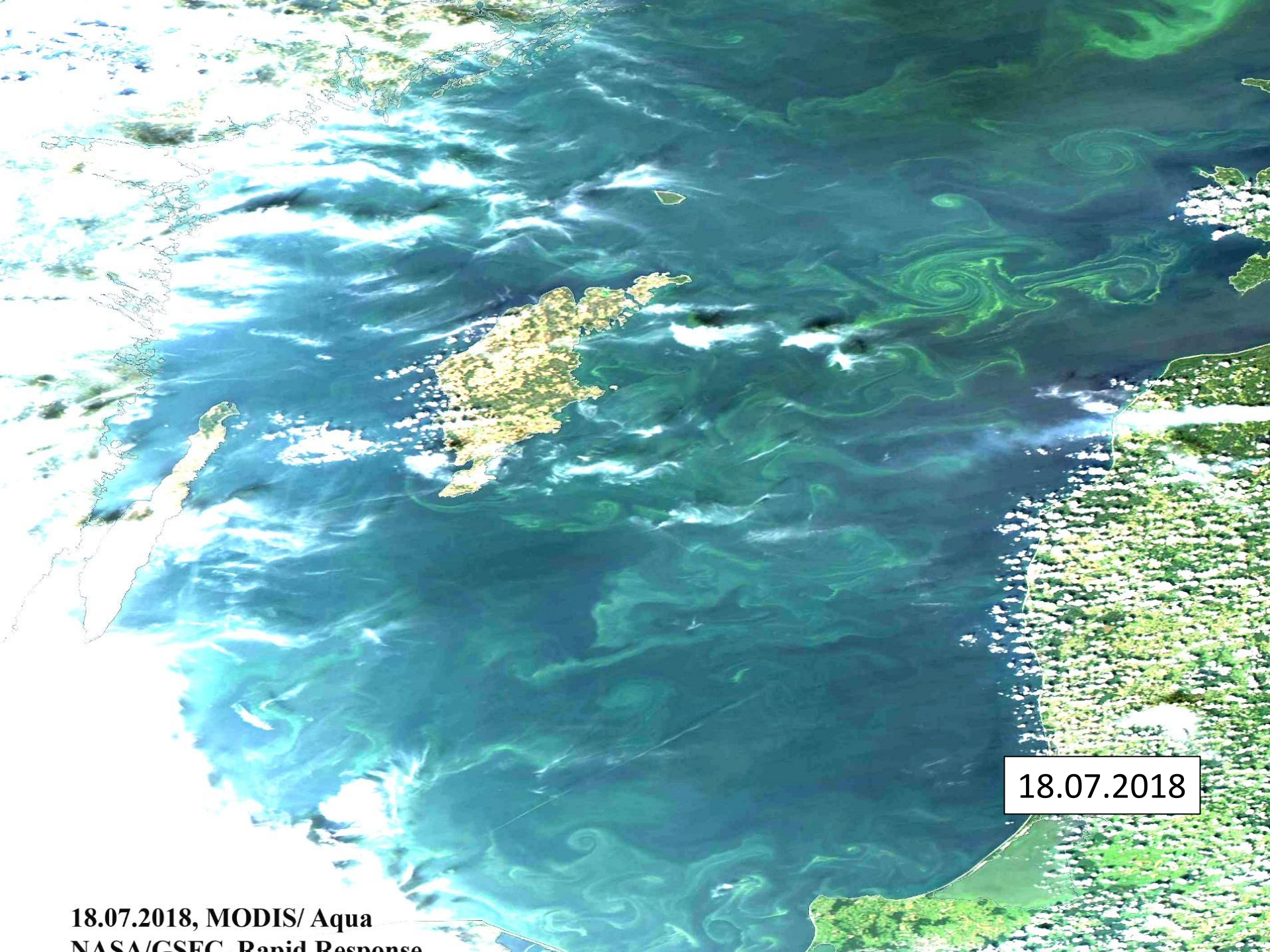




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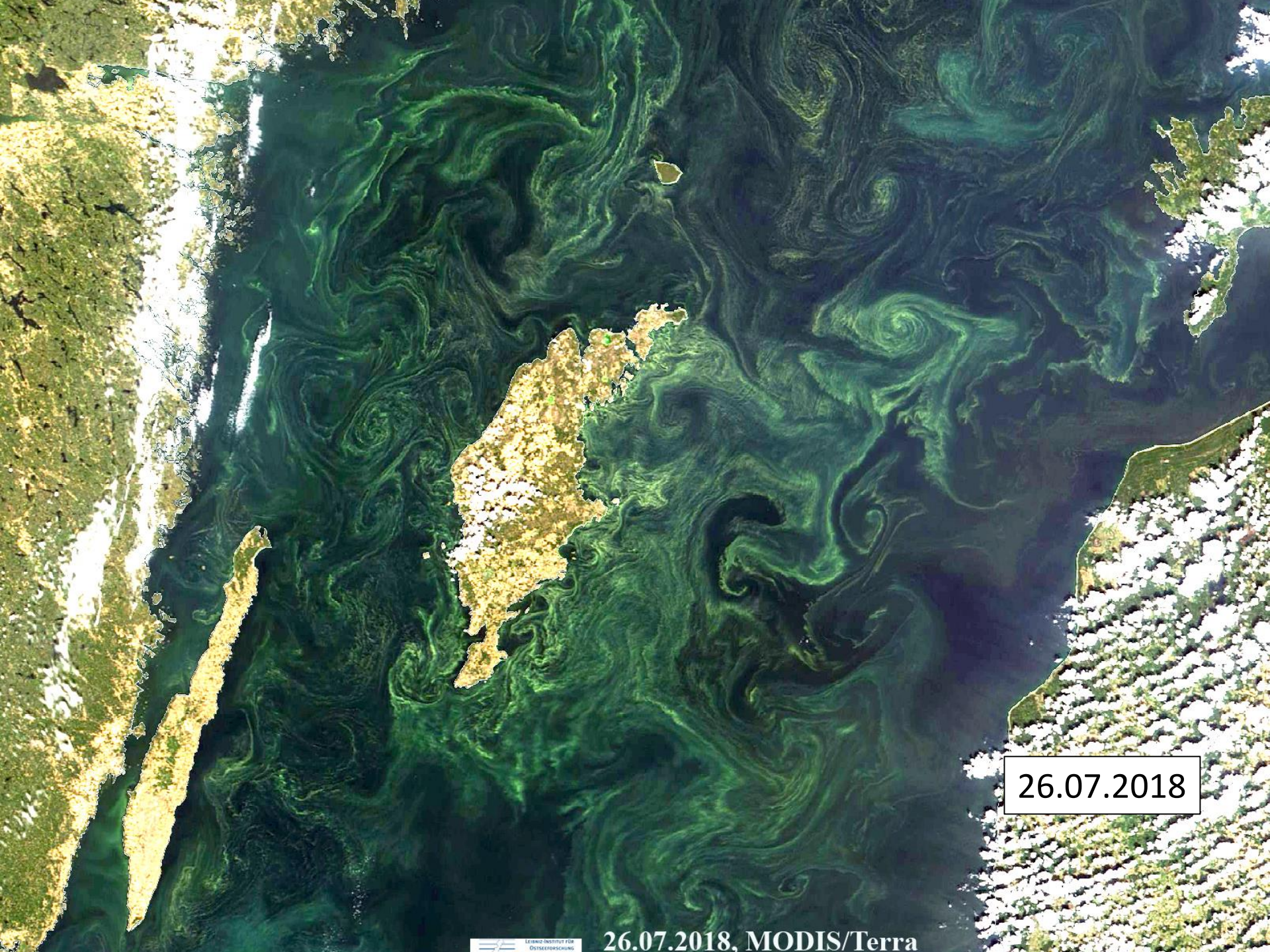


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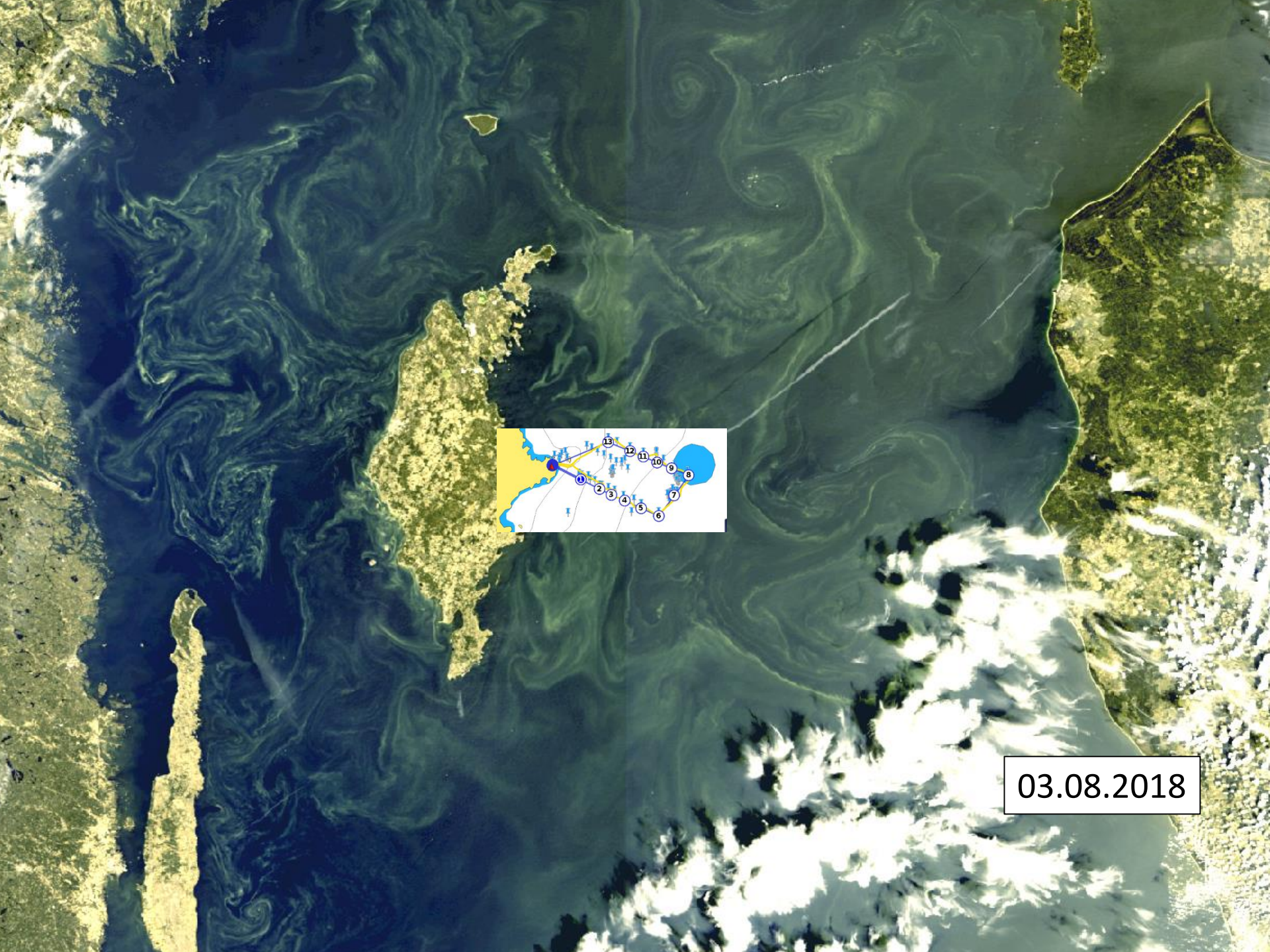


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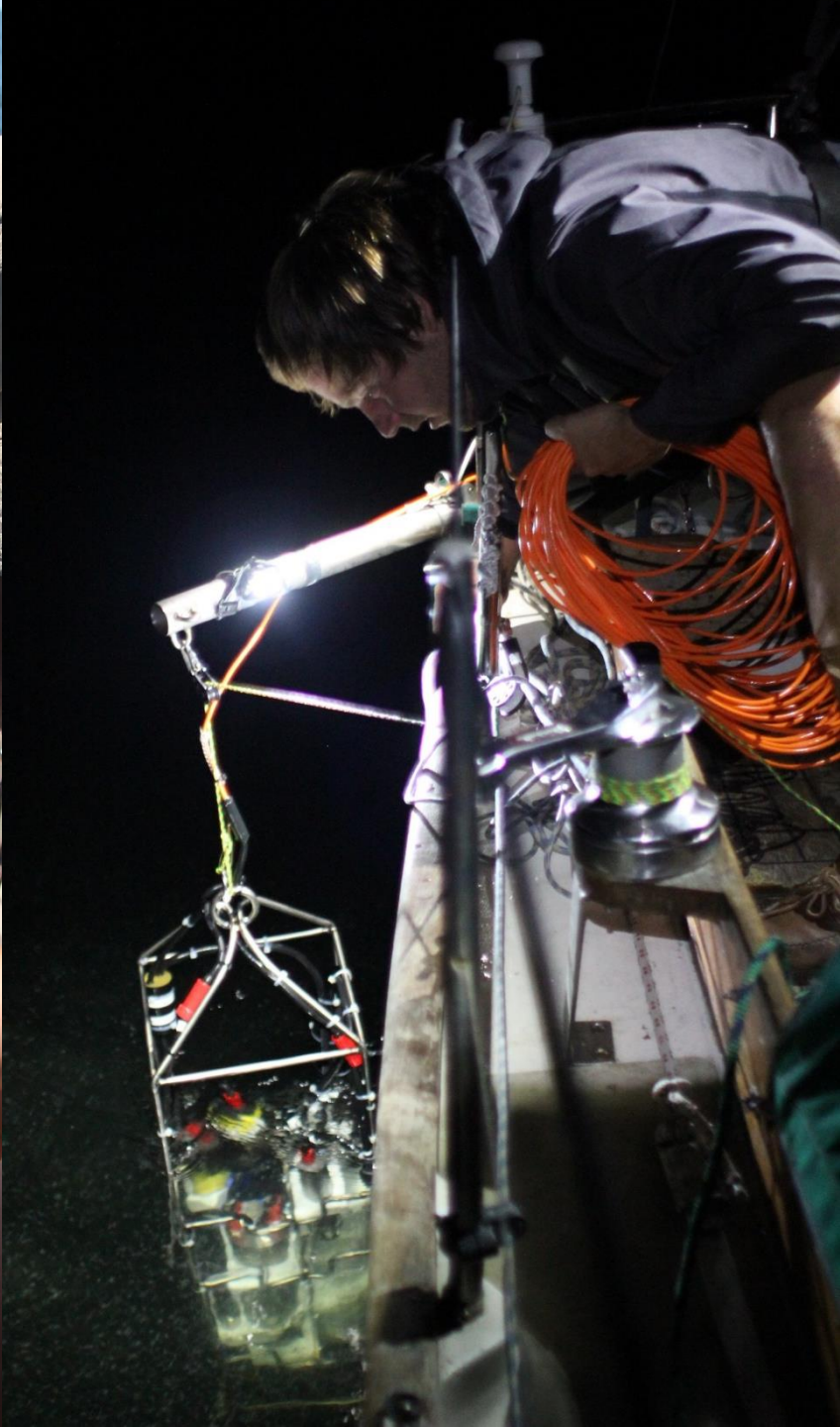
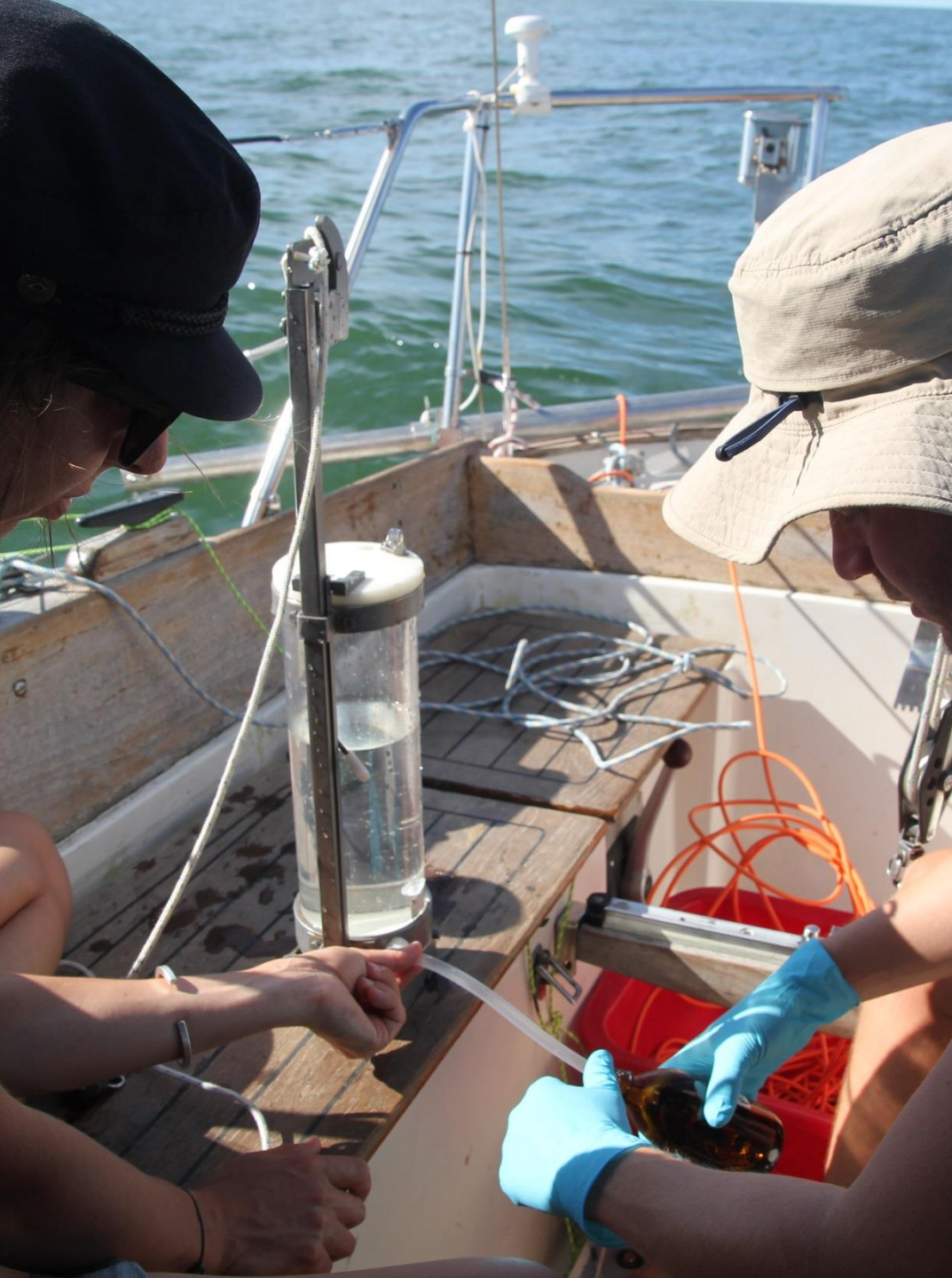




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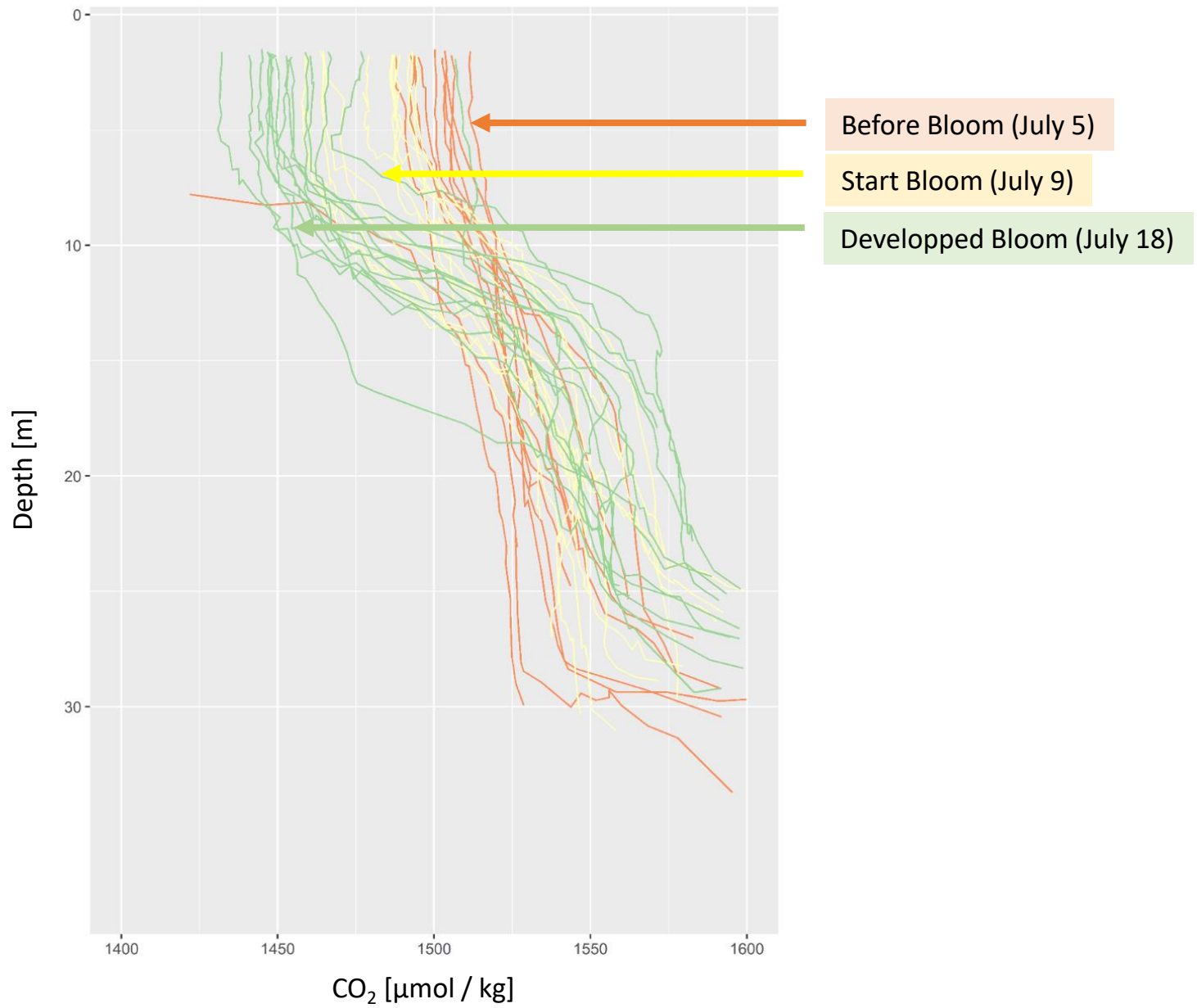




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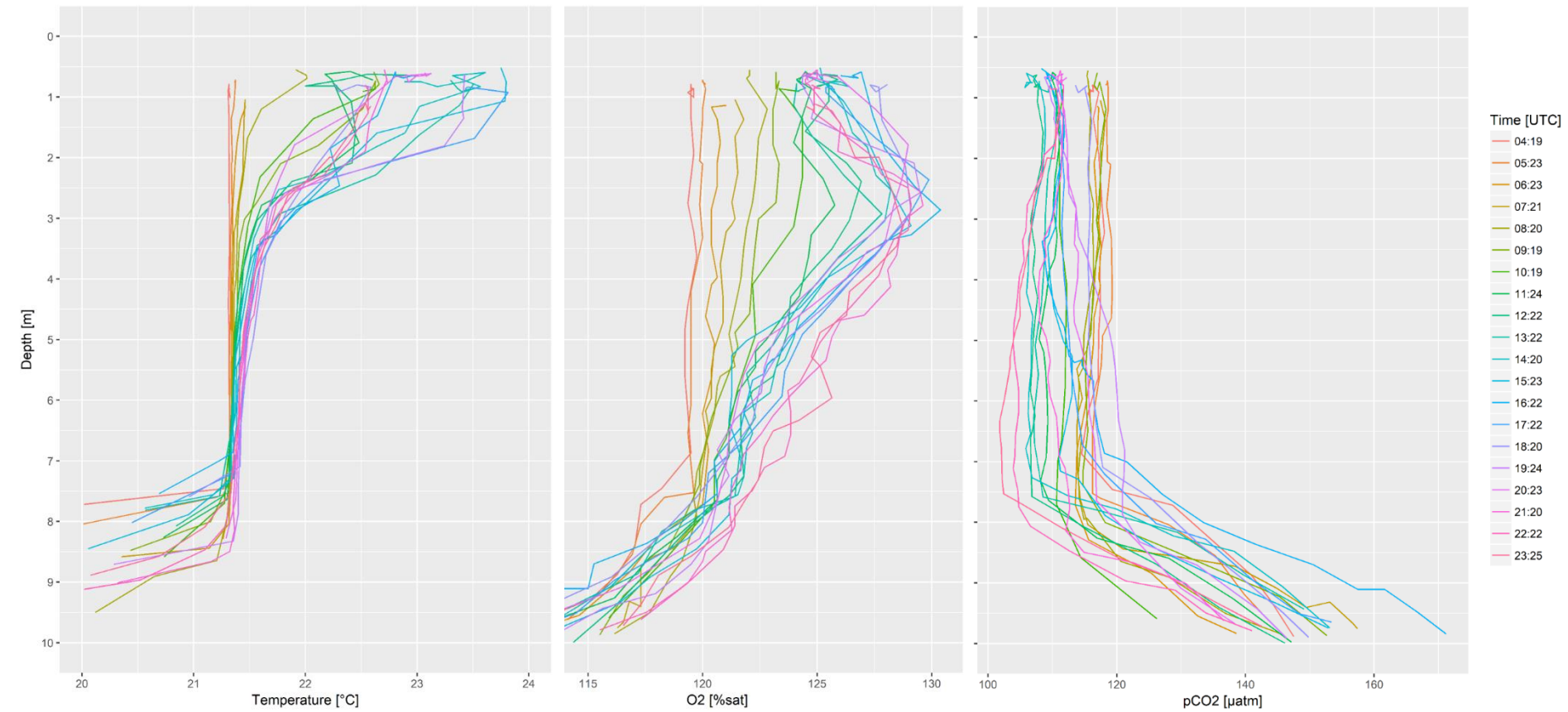
Vertical CO₂ distribution during Cyanobacteria bloom

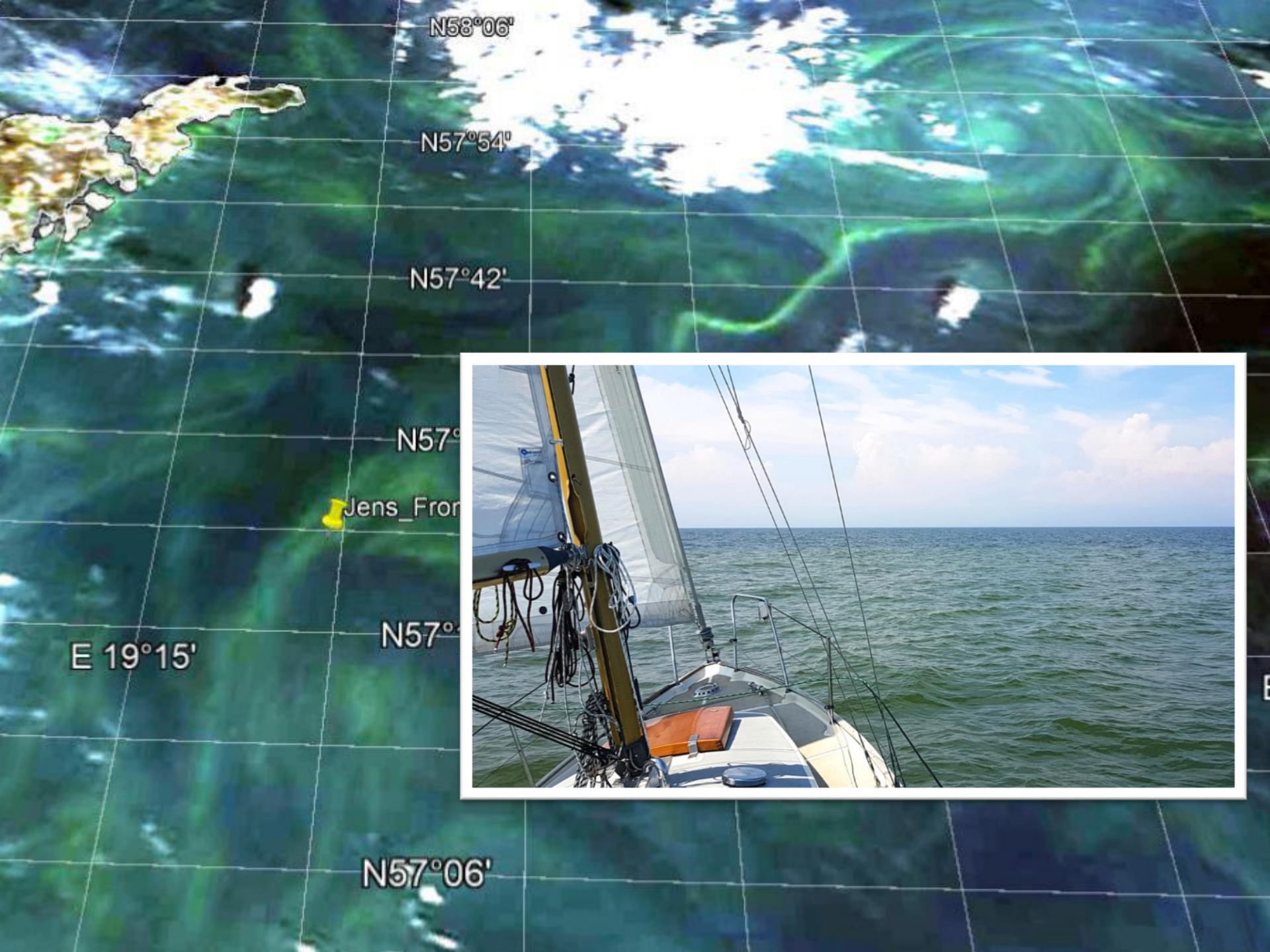




24h experiment

Diurnal productivity cycle







Thanks for your interest &
see you at sea!

