



HABs, ocean colour remote sensing, bio-optical monitoring in fjords and aquaculture activities

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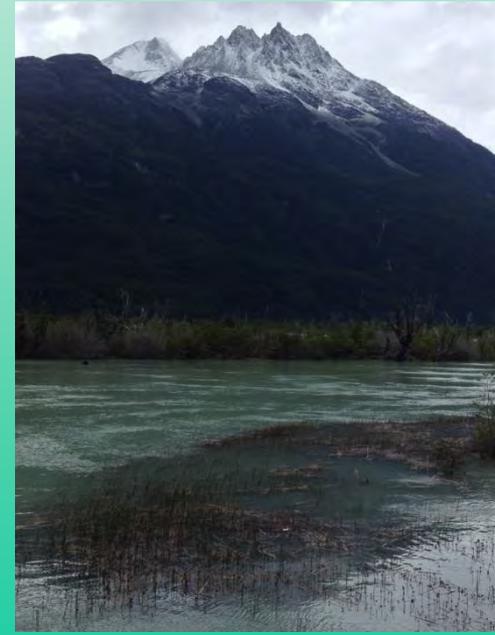
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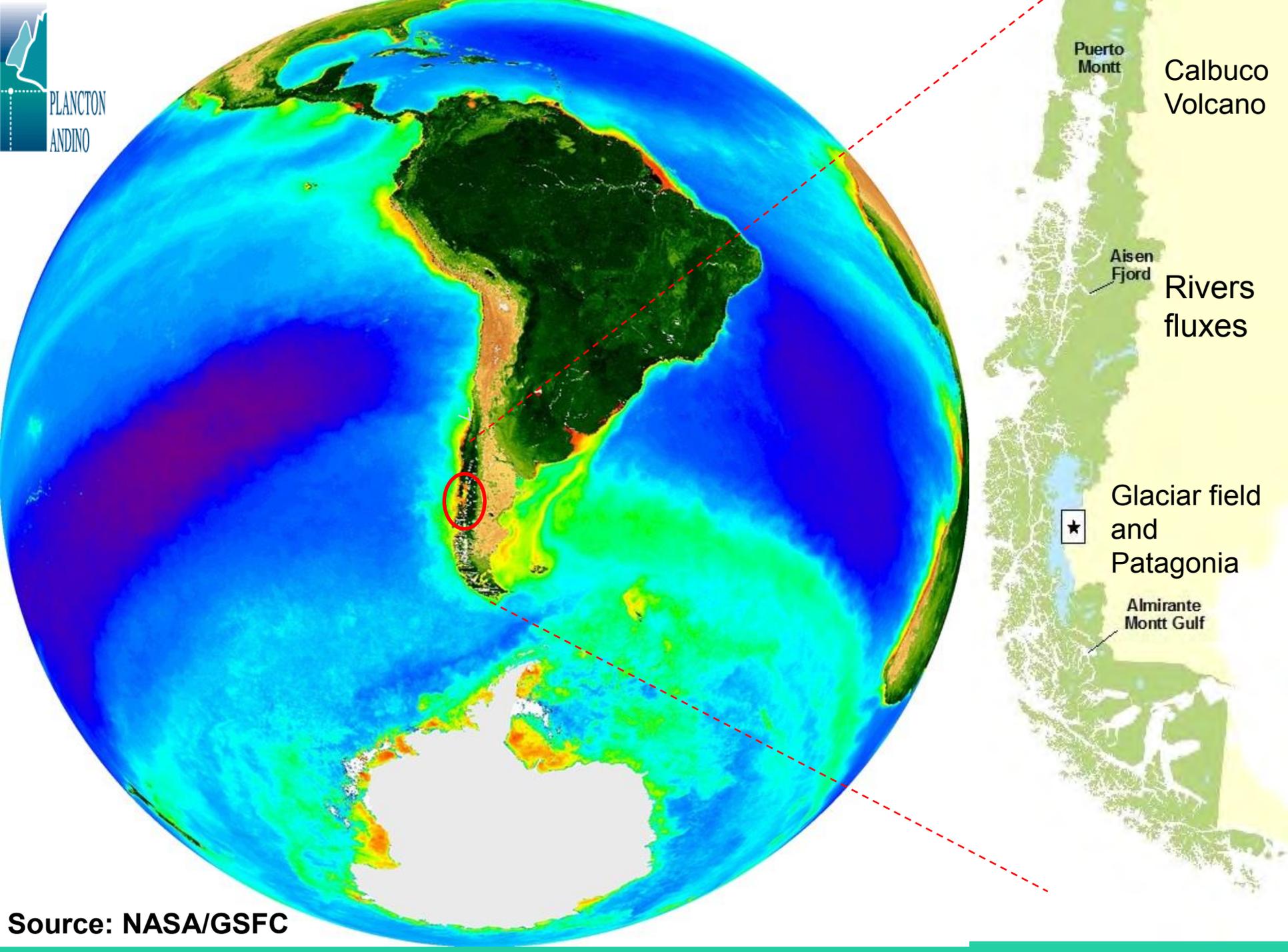
Since 1998: 21 years

Plancton Andino is a local private company and our mayor focus of interest are environmental assessment and monitoring HABs for aquaculture and government.

OBJECTIVES

1. To study HAB events in **optically-complex waters** of Chile's Patagonian fjords, and apply ocean color remote sensing and bio-optical methods.
2. To improve our understanding of HABs to give support and recommendations to people in the decision making process.





Post Last Glacial Environment and climatic anomalies



42°- 55 °S, Pacific margin of South America represents a 200–300 km wide shelf with thousands of islands and a fjord system across the Andes.

During Last Glacial, most of these fjords were proglacial lakes.

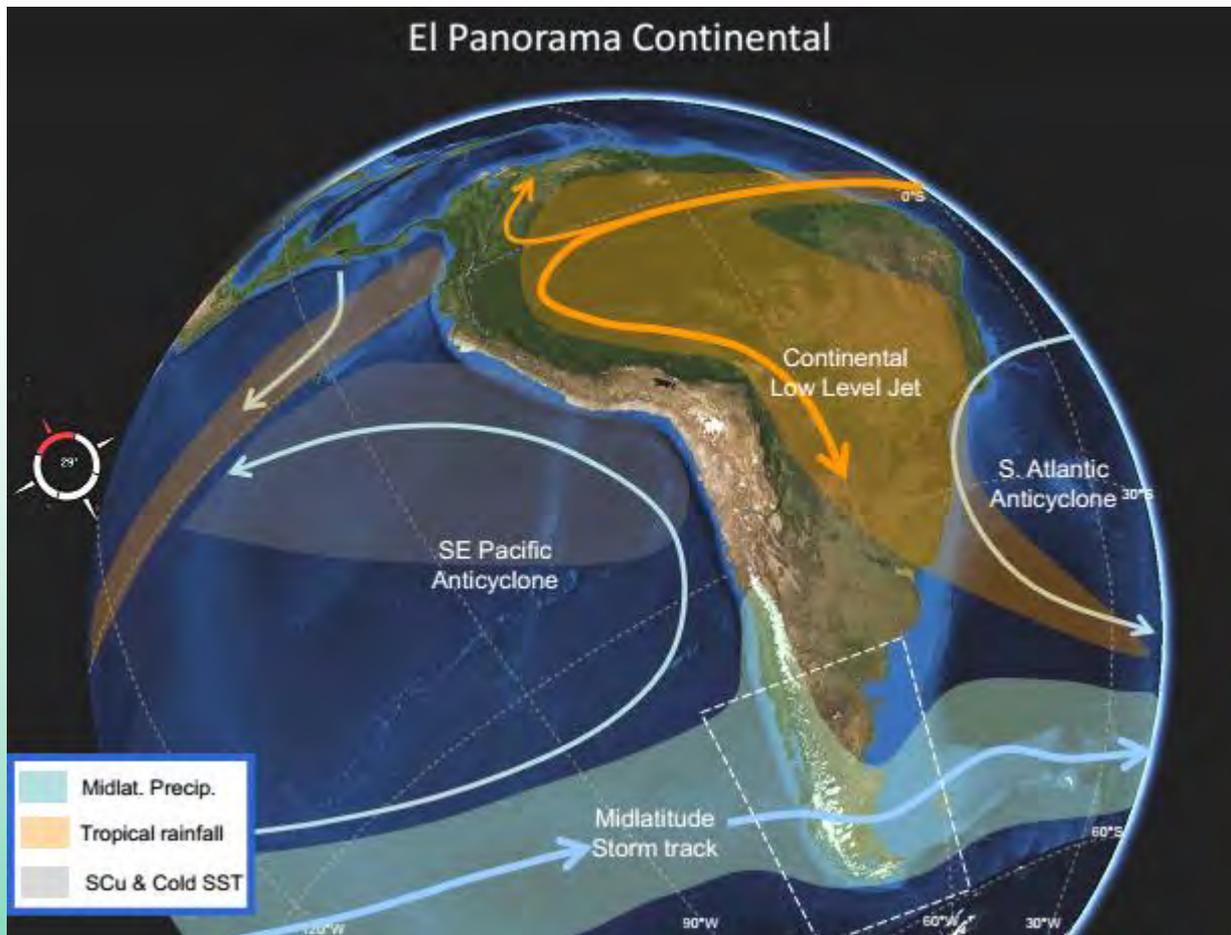
After the Last Glacial Maximum (LGM) global sea level rise led to marine transgression into the continental margin. (R. Kilian et al. 2007).

Extreme event: Calbuco Volcano Eruption April 22, 2015 18:18



- **Recent Eruption:**

- **Chaiten** **May 2, 2008**
- **Cordon Caulle** **June 4, 2011**



Source: Garreaud et al 2013

Photos from Germán Weil

March April 2019



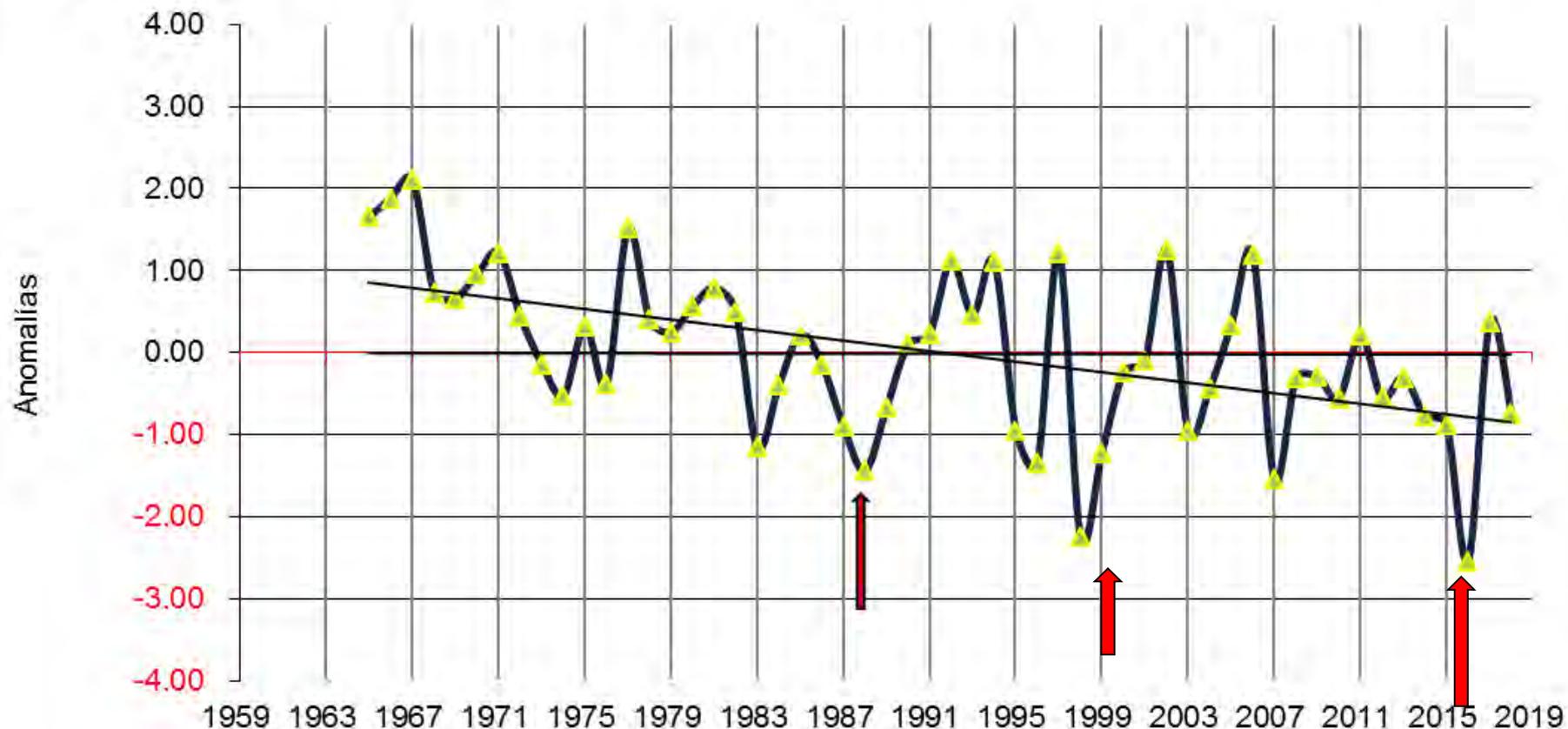
Climatic anomalies, rain falls as an Example

Data Source www.meteochile.cl

Anomalías de Precipitaciones Puerto Montt 1965-2018:
3 FAN extremos 1988, 1998, 2016 timing

$$y = -0.032x + 63.716$$

$$R^2 = 0.2533$$

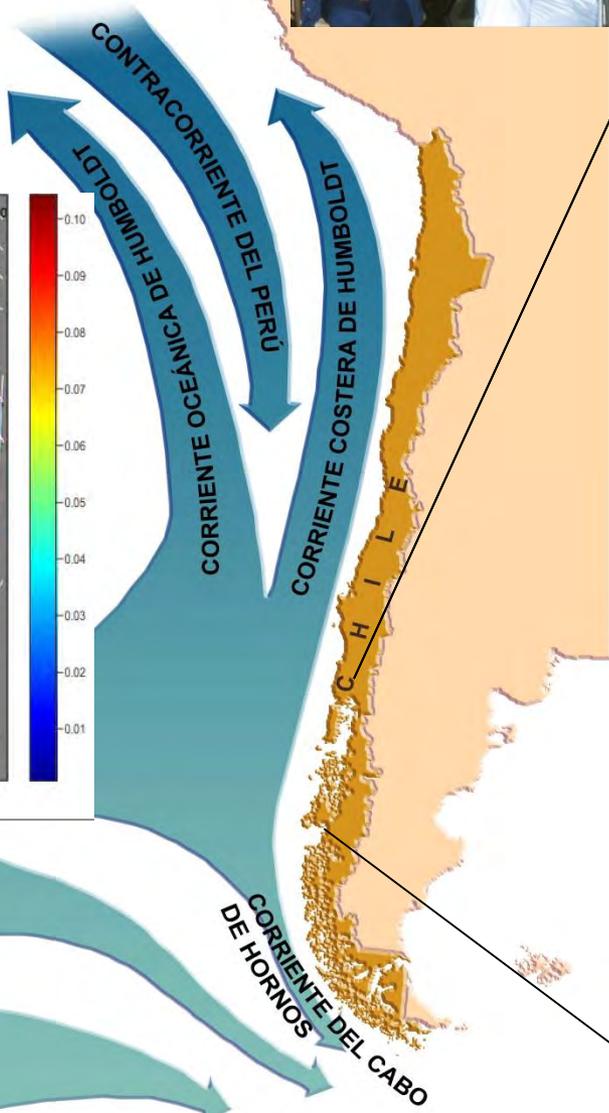
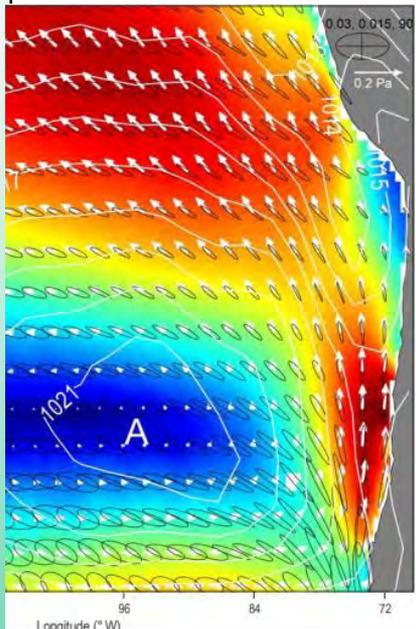


In honor to Dr. Steve Neshyba

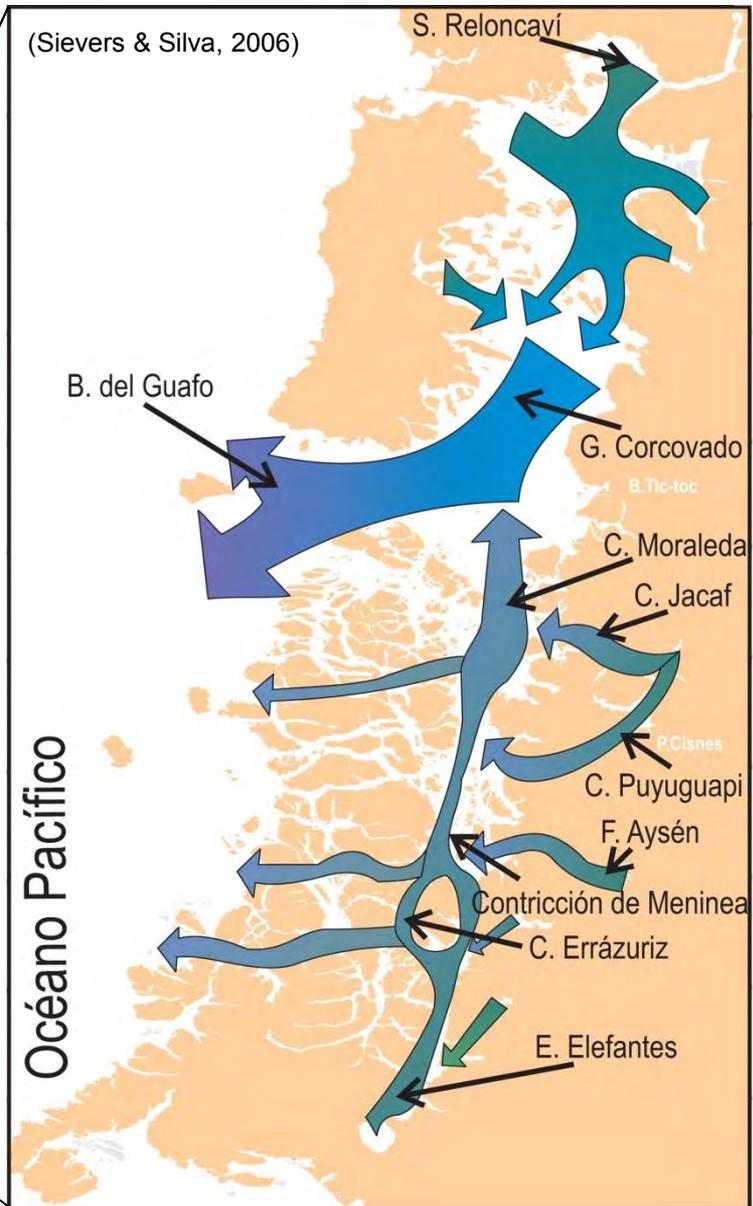


Silva & Neshyba, 1977

Ancapichún, S Garcés-Vargas J 2015



Warmer summer & flows of FW/SI during last decades in southern Chile, real time position using RS.



Southeast Pacific Subtropical Anticyclone (SPSA)

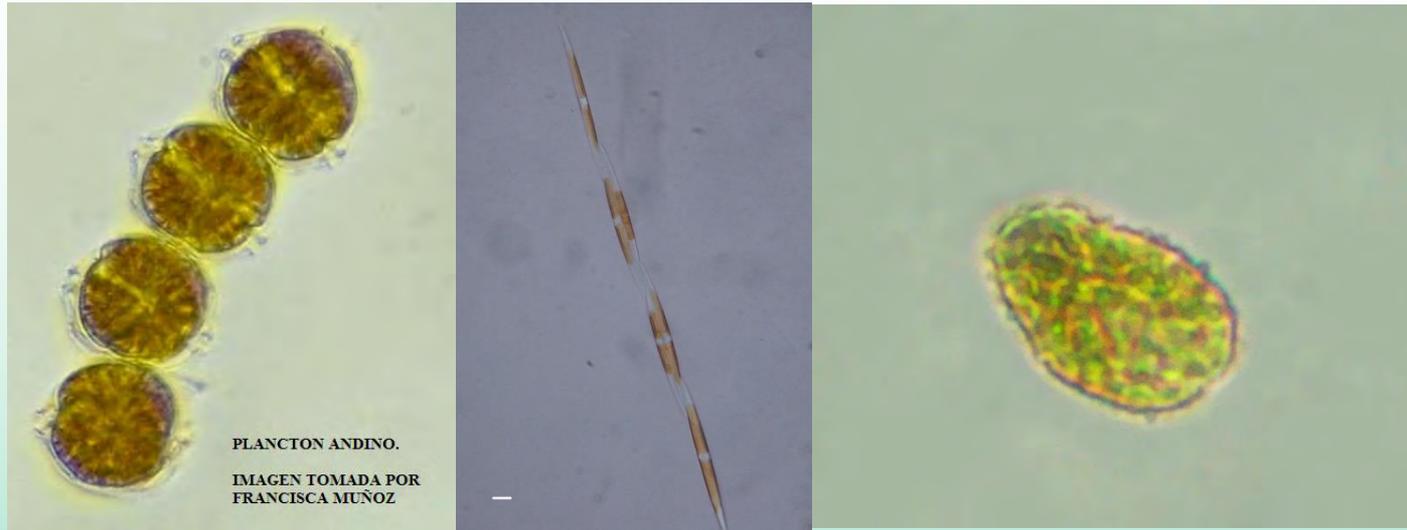
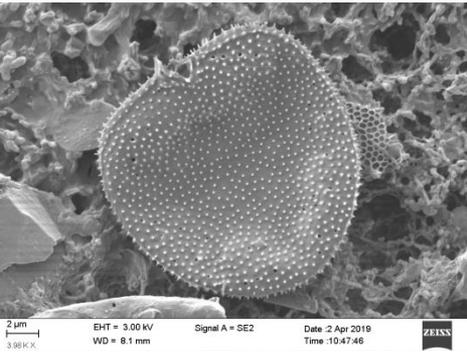


HAB is.....

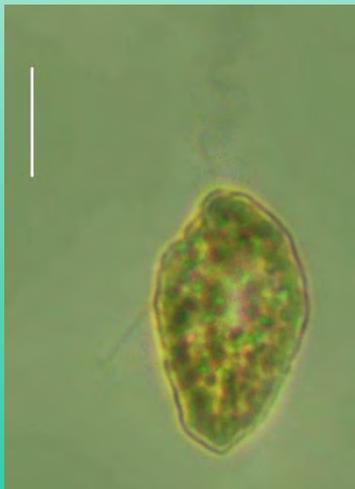
1. A scientific problem and ecological phenomema, but also...
2. An economic impact (> US \$ 700M)
3. A social and fake news
4. After 2002 a political issue



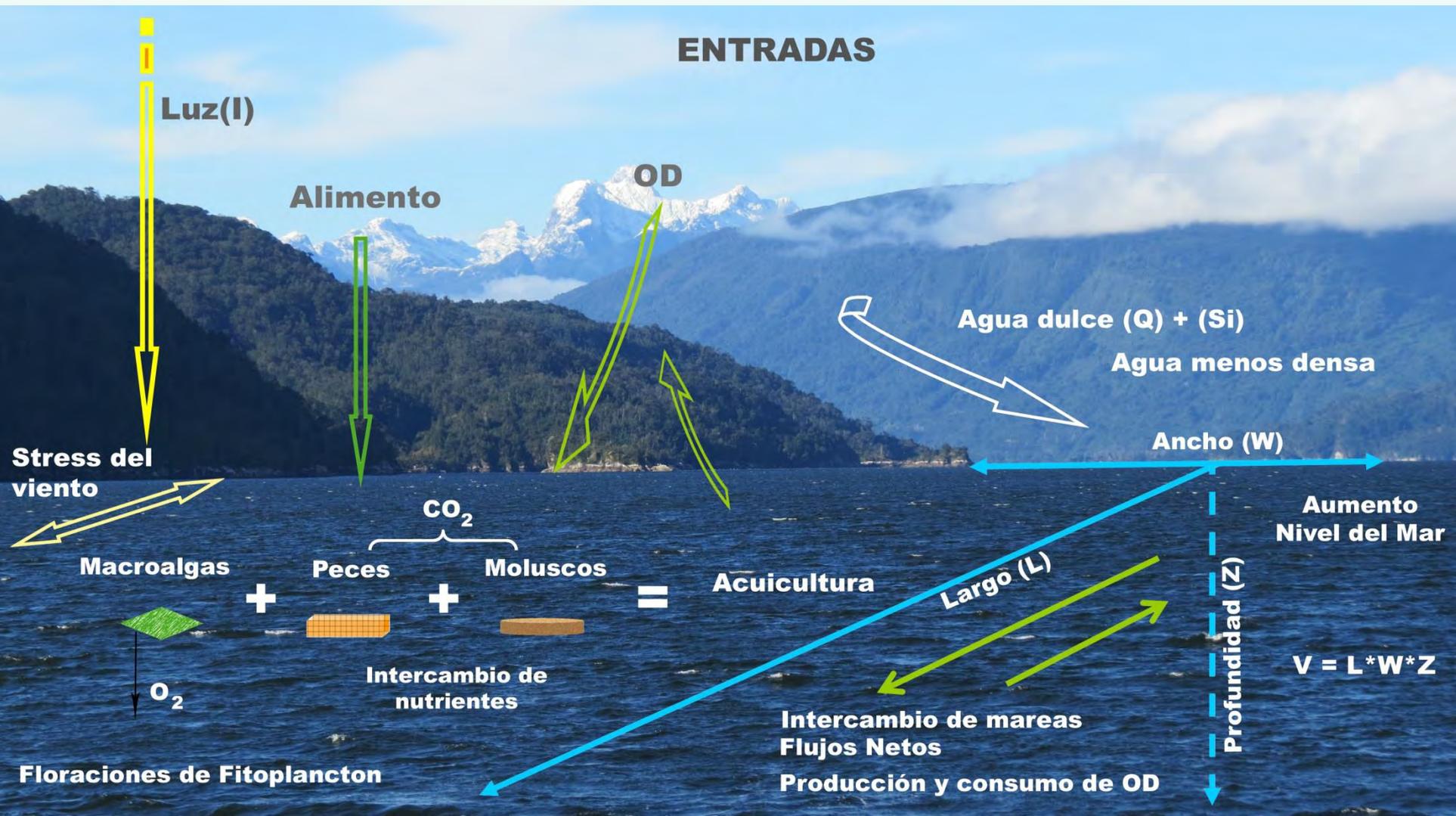
Photo-autotrophic cells: target



1. Phytoplankton Functional Types: bio-optical properties and remote sensing ocean color.
2. Do we observed a higher frequency of flagellates blooms? *A. catenella*, *Cochlodinium*, *Pseudochattonella*, *Karenia* & *Prorocentrum* spp.
3. What are the triggering factors for *A. catenella* blooms?



Basic Conceptual Model of Water Column interactions with aquacultures in fjords systems (Clément 2013)



Ecological basic questions



1. Are fjords and coastal ocean during summer/early fall a more competitive habitat and niche for flagellates blooms?
2. Implications in water column net **heat exchange**, **stratification and mixing**, pycnocline position and thin layers formation (Smyth et al 2014 Wyatt 1980 Sullivan et al).
3. **Nutrients** concentrations, ratios & freshwater flow [N/P/**Si**].
4. Underwater **Light** attenuation due to particles (Secchi < 2,5 m)
5. Interpretation & implications of climate change, warming, run off, glacial melting and impacts on fjords (Iriarte et al 2016).

Remote Sensing and Ocean color data from Southeastern Pacific Ocean and the Inland sea.

Revista de Biología Marina y Oceanografía
Vol. 45, Nº2: xx-xx, Agosto 2010
Article

Chlorophyll-*a* MODIS mesoscale variability in the Inner Sea of Chiloé, Patagonia, Chile (41-43°S): Patches and Gradients?

Variabilidad a mesoescala de la Clorofila-*a* MODIS en el Mar Interior de Chiloé, Patagonia, Chile (41-43°S). ¿Parches y Gradientes?

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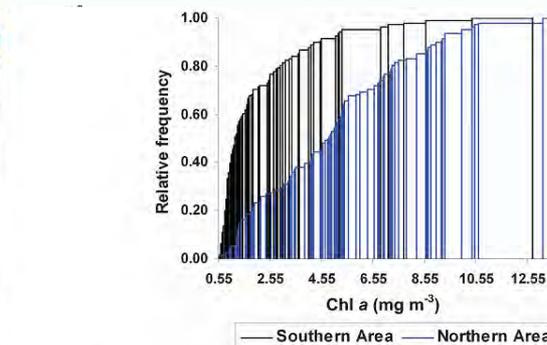
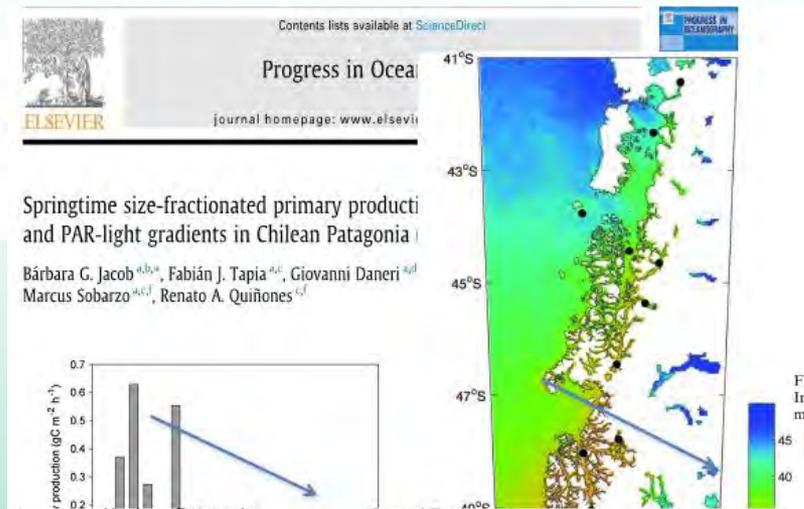


Figure 5. Cumulative distribution of Chl *a* concentrations in the southern area for the Interior Sea of Chile for the period January 1998 - December 2006. The data corresponds to monthly averaged Chl *a* values.

Uribe & Neshyba, 1983, Clément 1988, Thomas 1999, Montecinos et al 2006, Tello et al, Lara et 2010, Saldías et al 2019

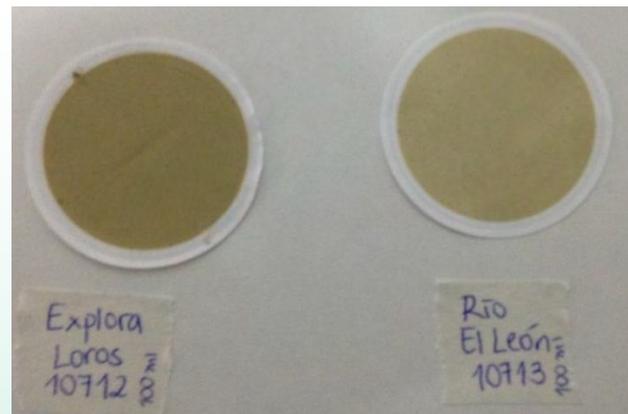
Cochlodonium blooms in South Korea Ahn et al 2006

<https://www.bigelow.org/news/articles/2016-04-21.html>

American Geophysical Union's journal, [Global Biogeochemical Cycles](#), Volume 30, Issue 2, February 2016, pages 268-292.

WATER COLOR AND BIO-OPTICS





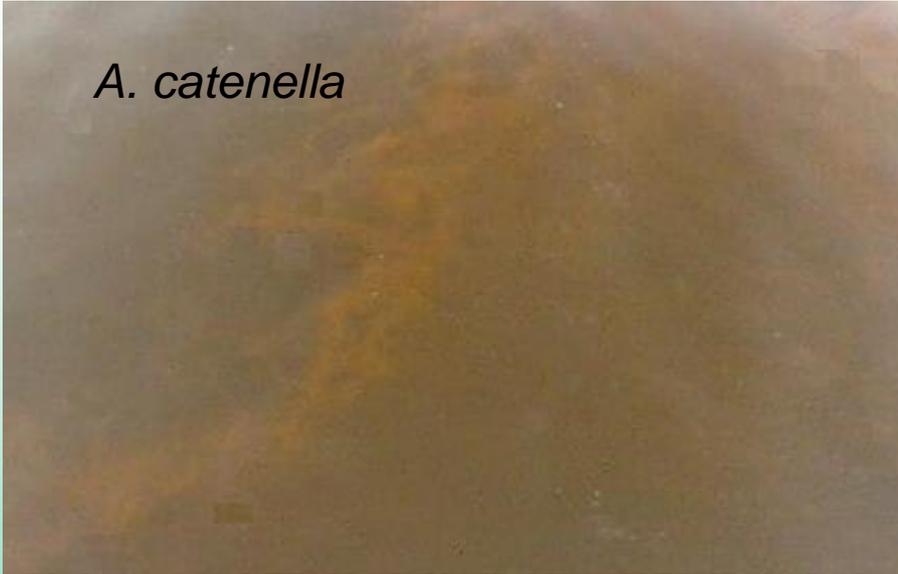




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HABs, Patches and water color

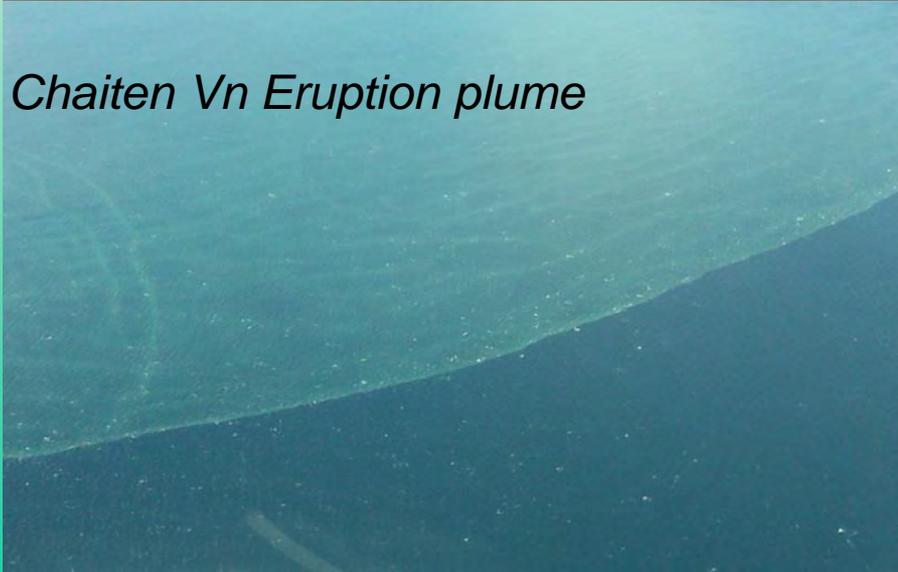
A. catenella



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Chaiten Vn Eruption plume



G. chlorophorum



Methodology, data management and visualization

Phytoplankton Monitoring Programs for Mussel (PSMB) and Salmon aquaculture industry (POAS).

- On line Data base and SQL server <http://sispal.plancton.cl/PAL/index.asp>
- **Bus. Intelligence & cloud computing data visualization Bime Analytics pdf**
- Biological, Optical & Physical variables.
 - Microscopy observations and flow cytometer (flow Cam) for cells ID and counting
 - User require and demand rapid time response after sampling < than 24-48 hours.

Complement activities of Photoautotrophic cells classification with optical techniques.

- CTD-O and Chl a *in situ* profiles
- EcoTriplet Fluorometer, *in situ* chlor a, Backscattering Bb(460 & 660 nm)
- Total Absorption coefficient marine water $a(\lambda)$ Future Colaboration Nagur Cherukuru CSIRO
- Discrete water column samples from above 20 m. more than **800 samples/month**
- Sampling frequency 5-20 days depending the season and risk.
- **Ocean color remote sensing (Rrs) as an intermediate users WINSOFT**
- **others**



Applications of Bio-optics in optically complex waters

1. **Absorption Coefficient** (a_{ph}) QFT Greg Mitchell

2. **Backscattering** (b_b 440 y 660 nm).

Appreciate inputs of Steward Bernard, Collin Roesler & V. Martinez.

1. Chlorophyll a Chl

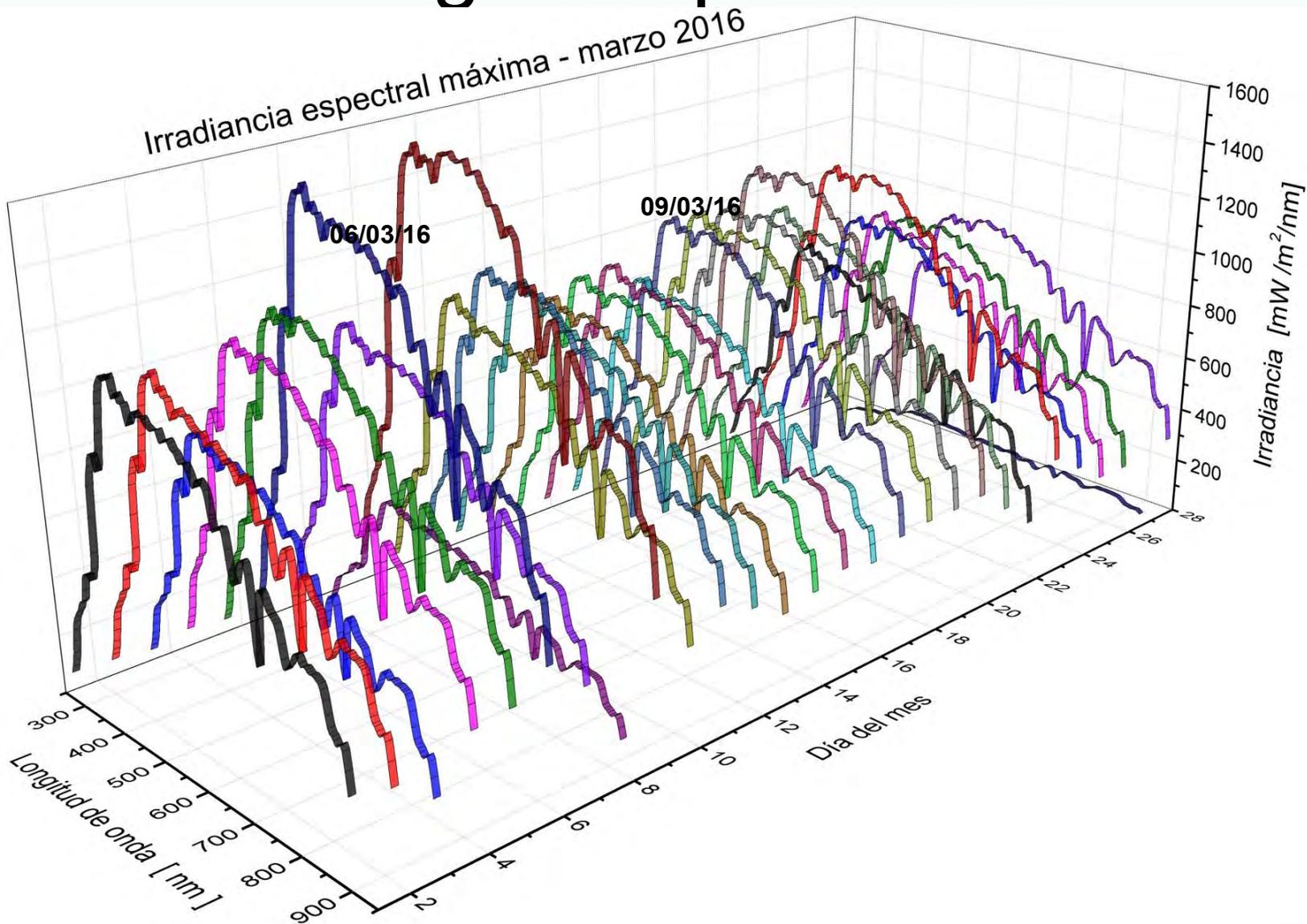
1. **Passive and *in situ* and In vitro**

2. **FRRf3, Variable & Active chlor a fluorescence** $F_o, F_m, F_v,$
 $F_v/F_m, \text{Sigma}$ Kolber et al 1998 Oxborough et al Chelsea
Technology Group, UK

2. Hyperspectral Irradiance $I(\lambda, t)$



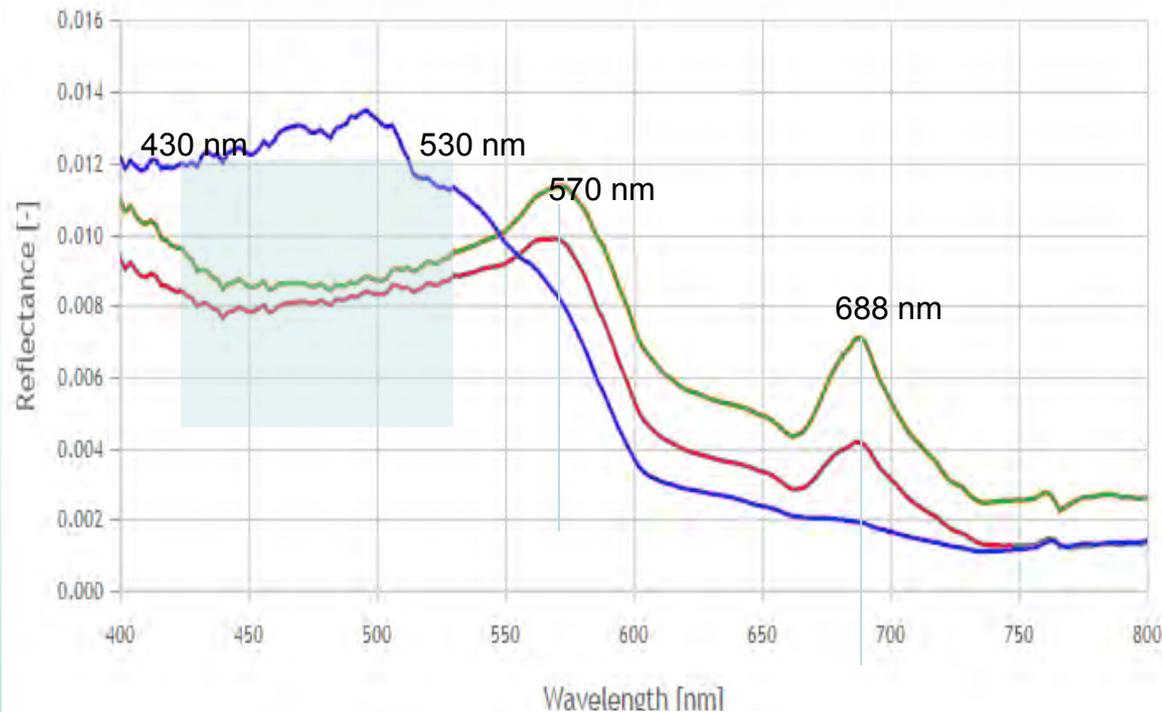
Hyper-spectral radiometry, before during max peak of HAB N° 122



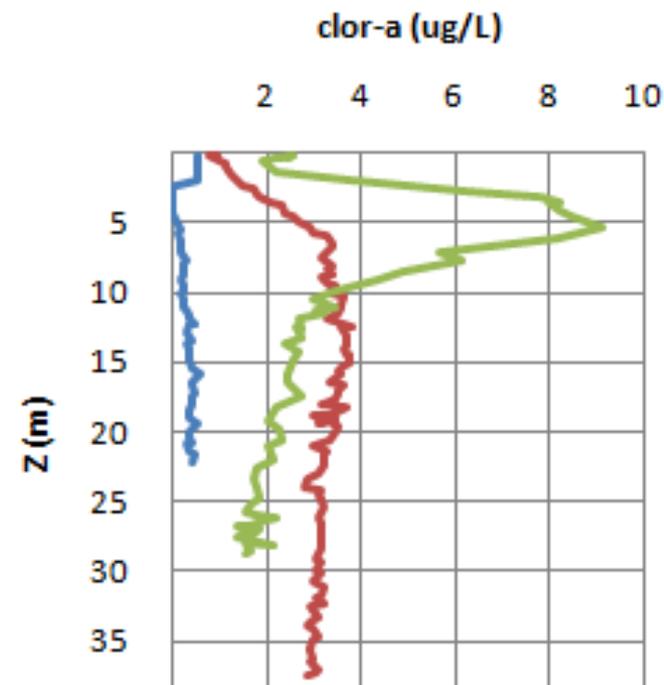
WISP-3 spectra & *IN SITU* CHL *a*

Different Reflectance spectra and Water Column Chl *a* *in situ*, phytoplankton abundance, and water color perception

simple algorithm base upon water column & spectral shape



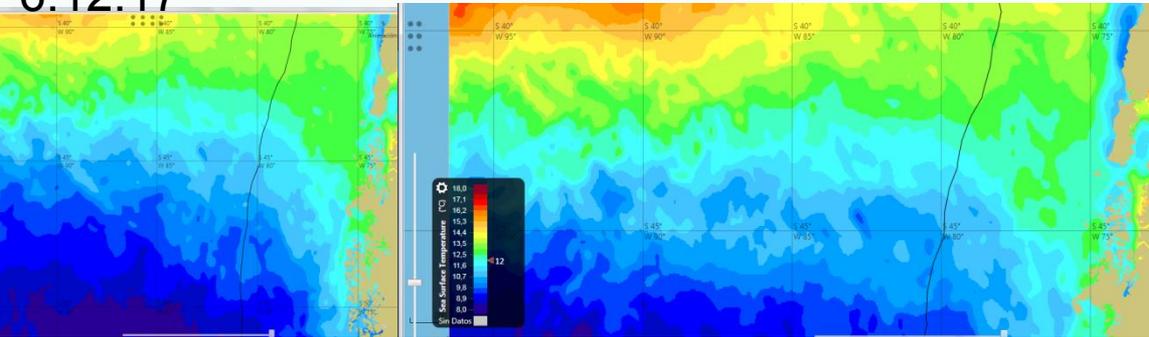
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						10	25	0.12	0.18
24-nov	13:45	E2	4	verde	Parcial	0	1707	0.9	0.84
						5	1478	2.2	2.65
						10	1695	3.36	3.36
24-nov	15:00	E3	4	verde	Parcial	0		2.36	2.36
						5		9.07	9.07
						10		3.4	3.4



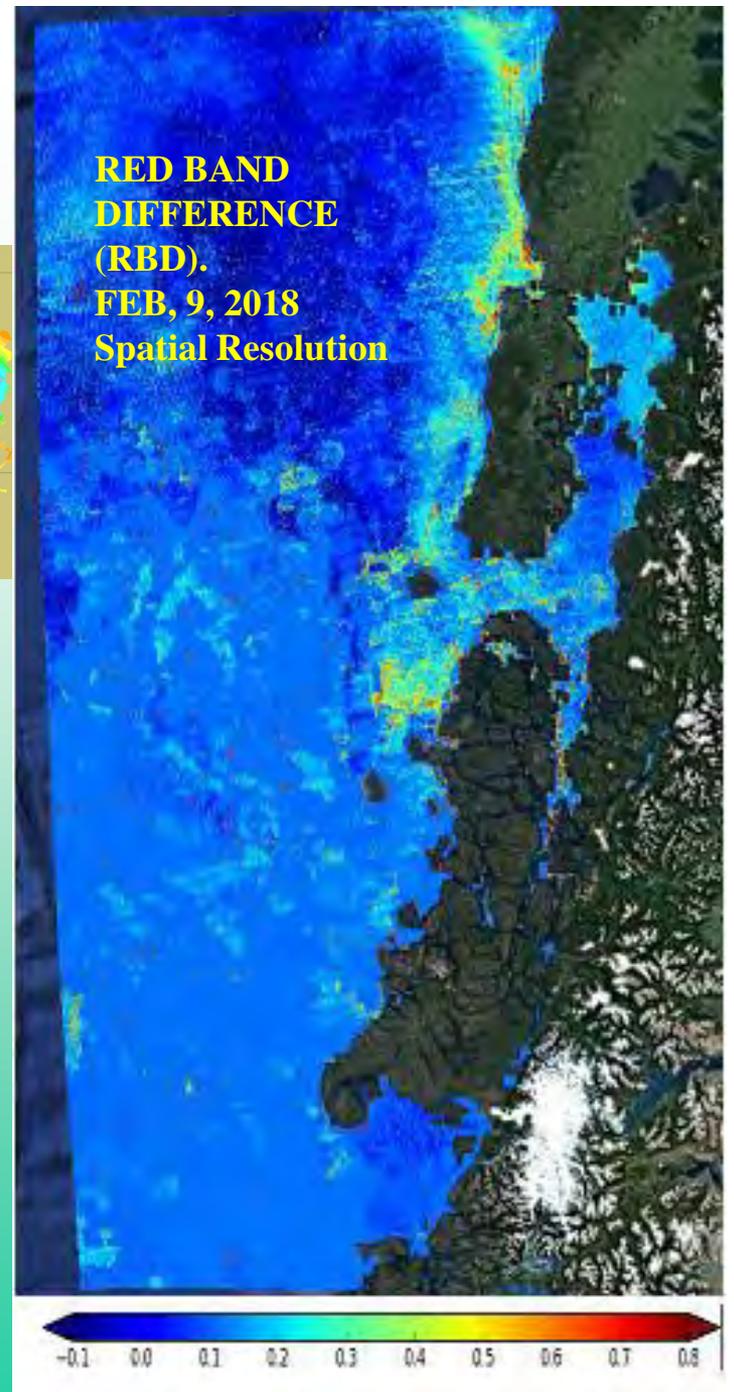
Chl,SST using InsightExplorer

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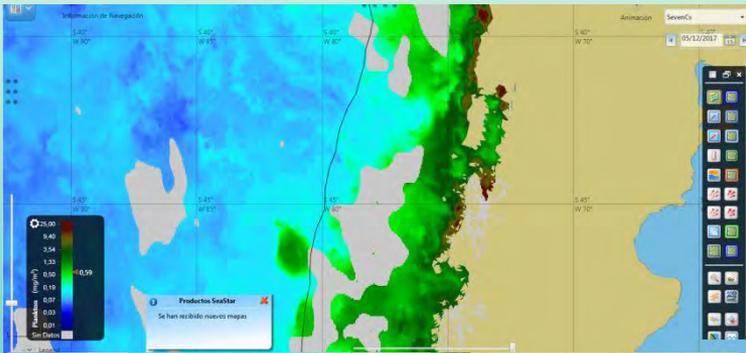
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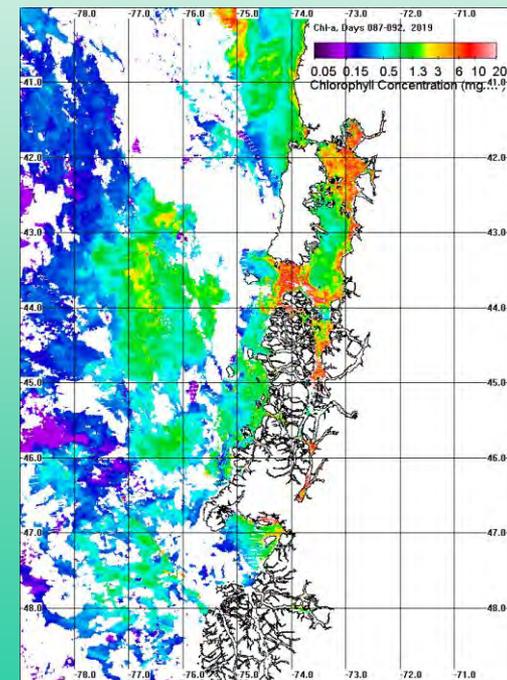
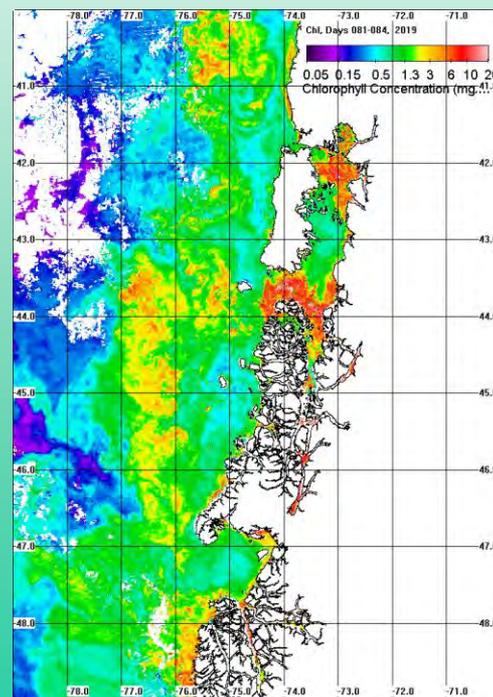
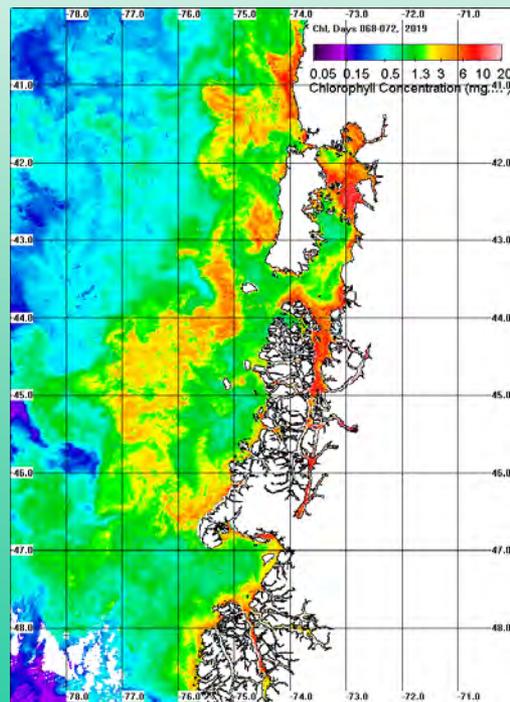
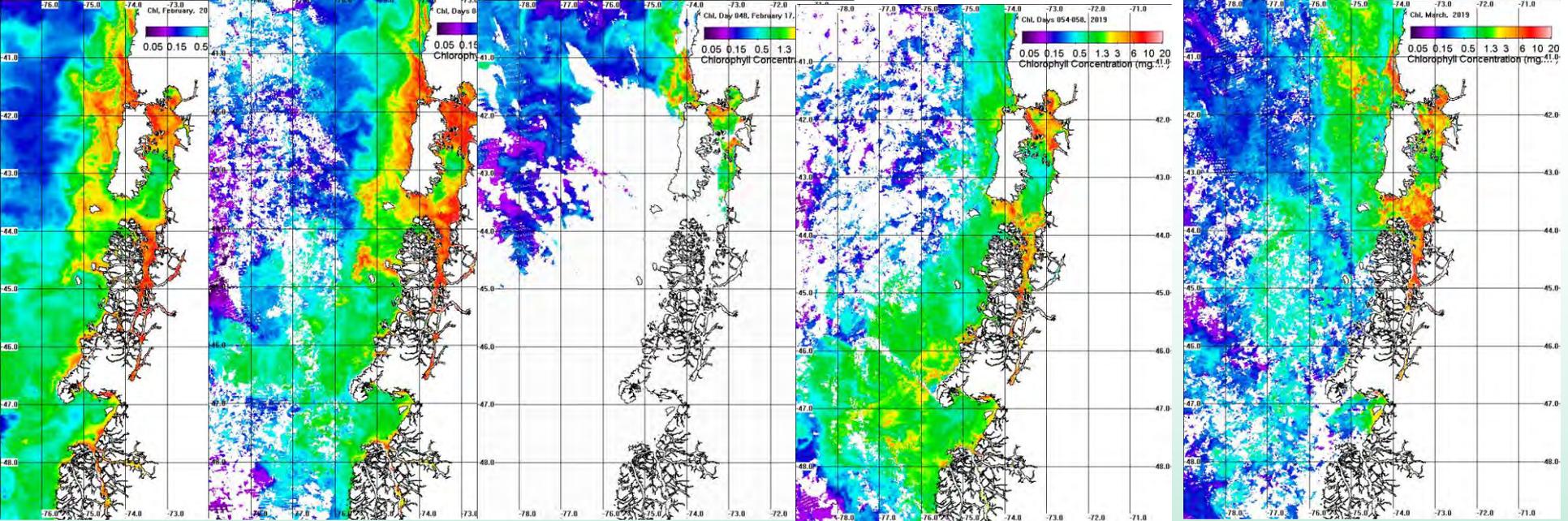


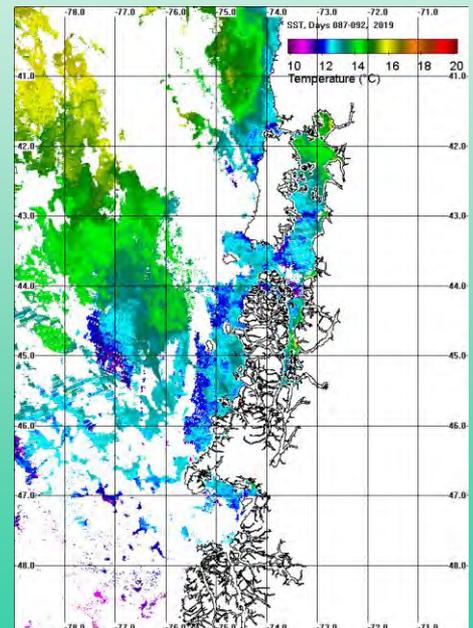
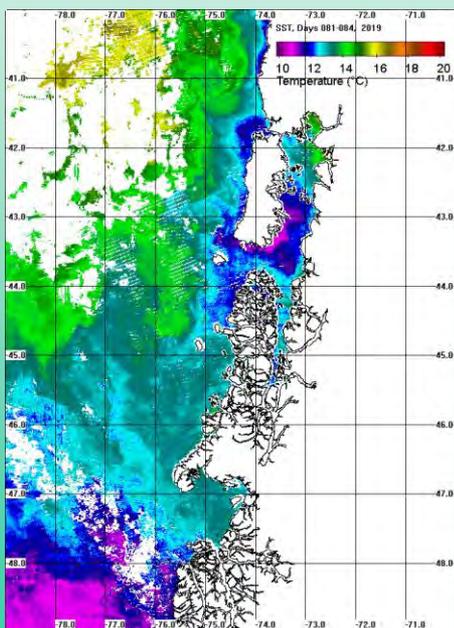
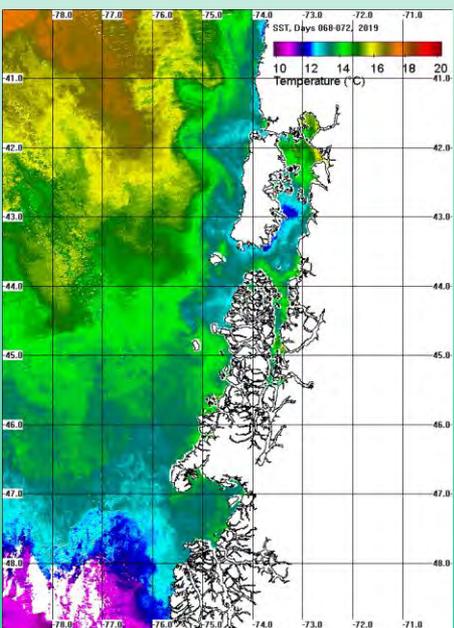
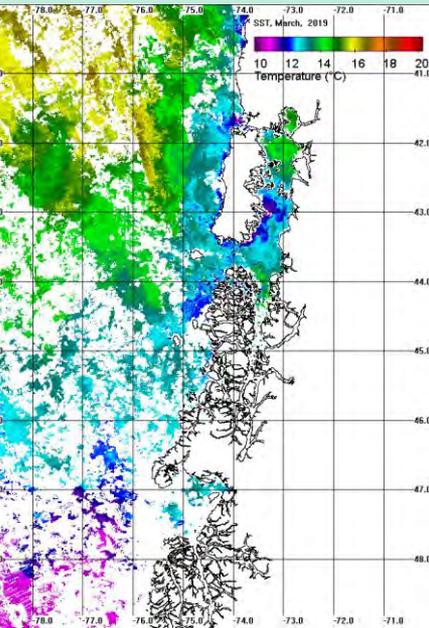
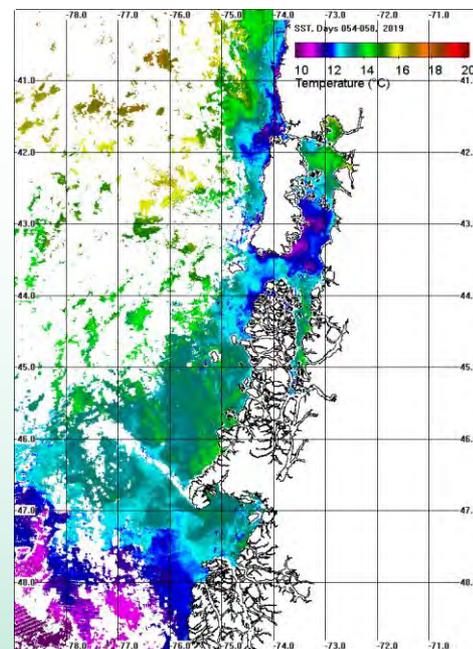
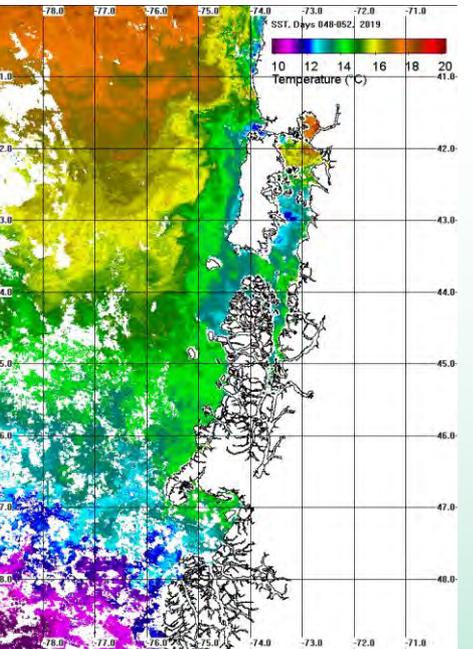
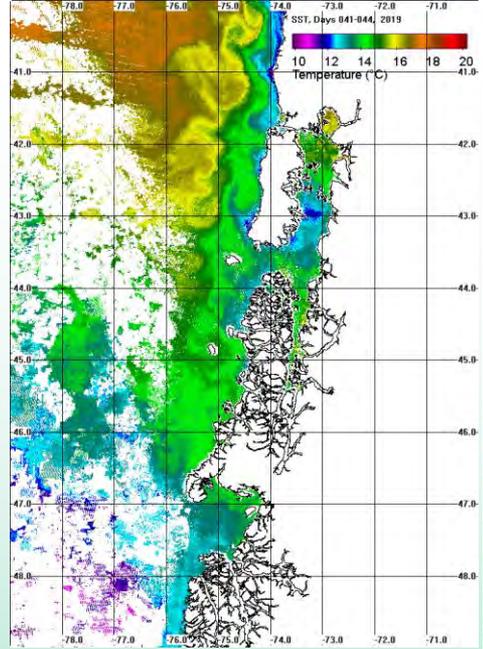
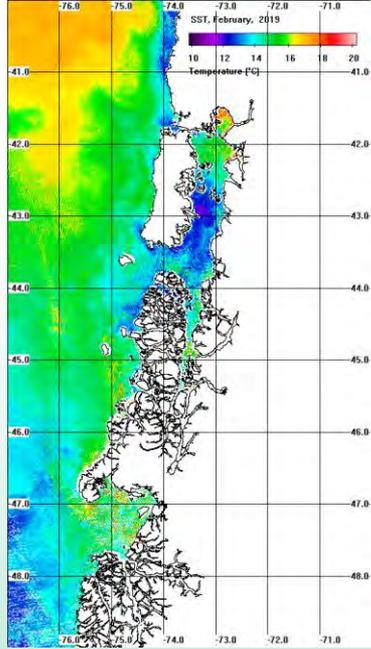
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FEB, 9, 2018
Spatial Resolution**



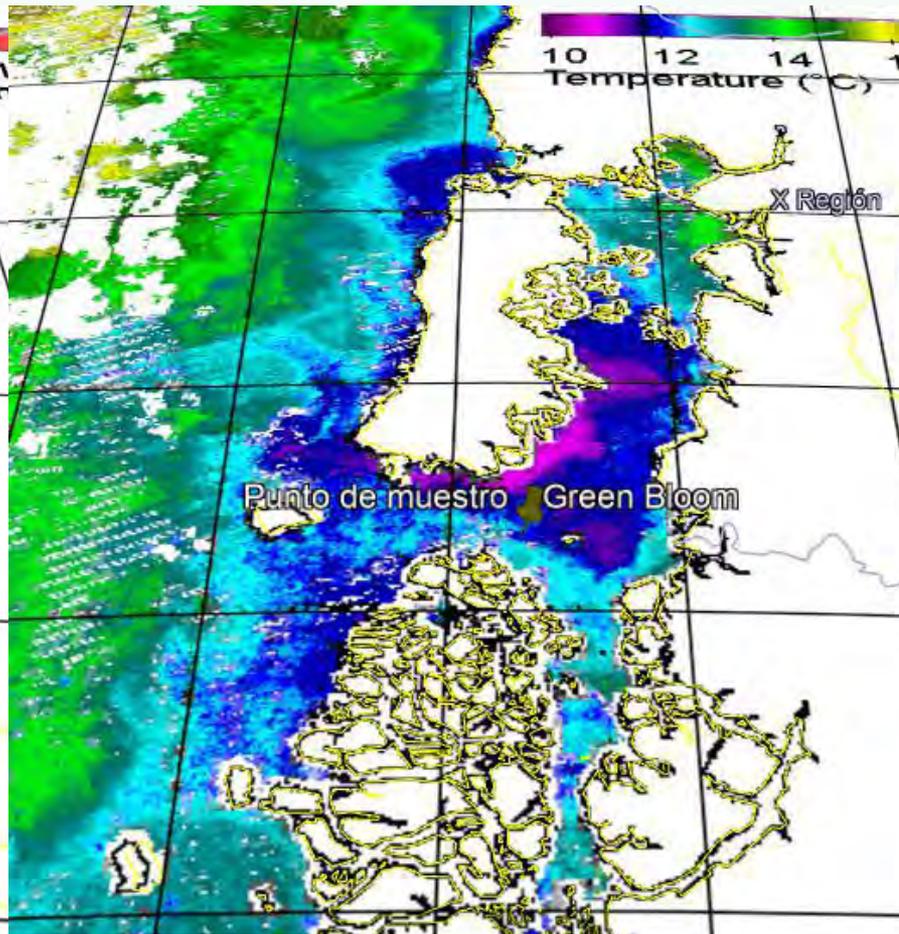
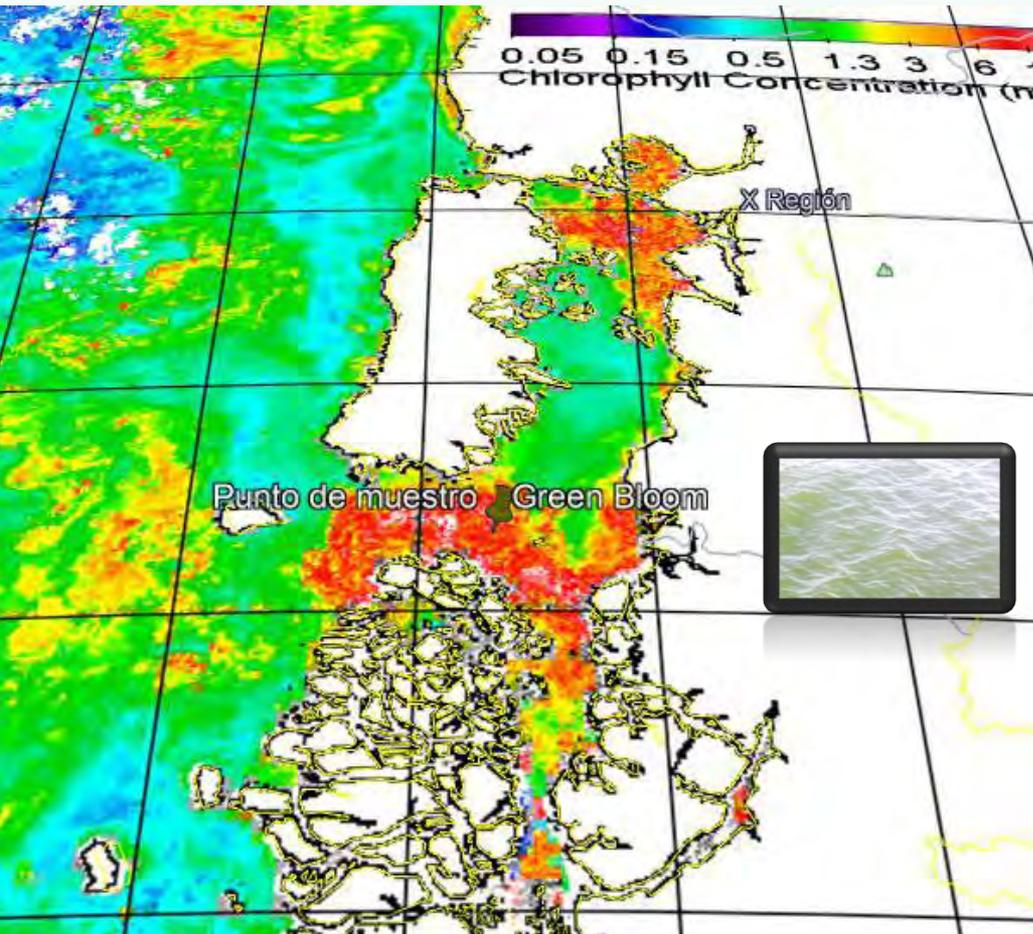
Chl a : 1 al 5 y 1 al 6 de diciembre del 2017





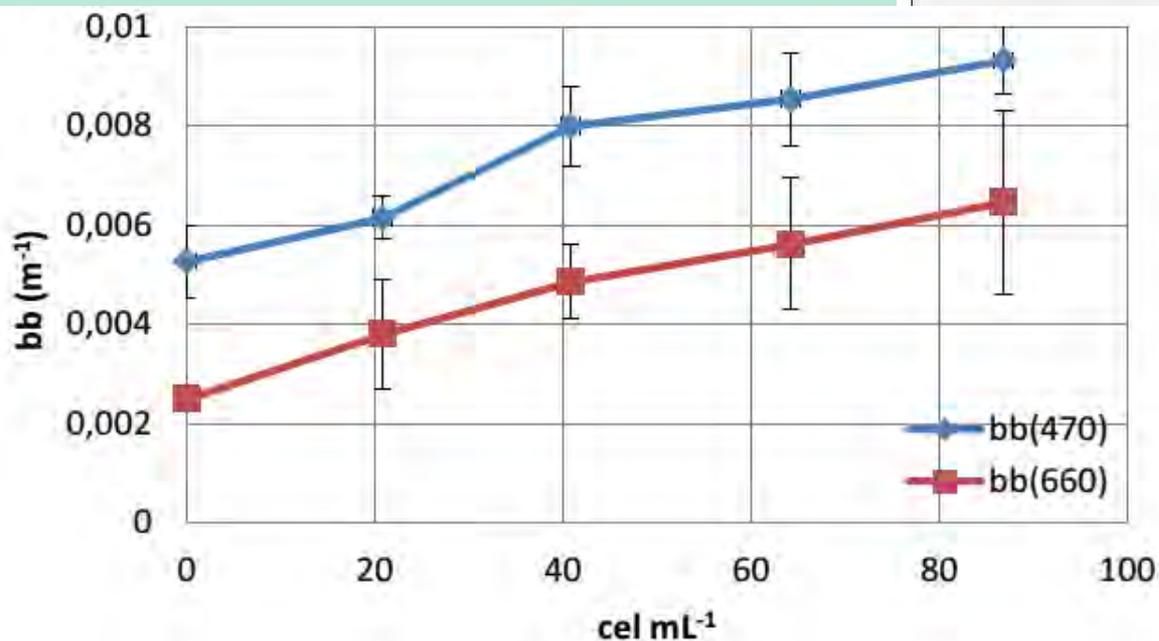
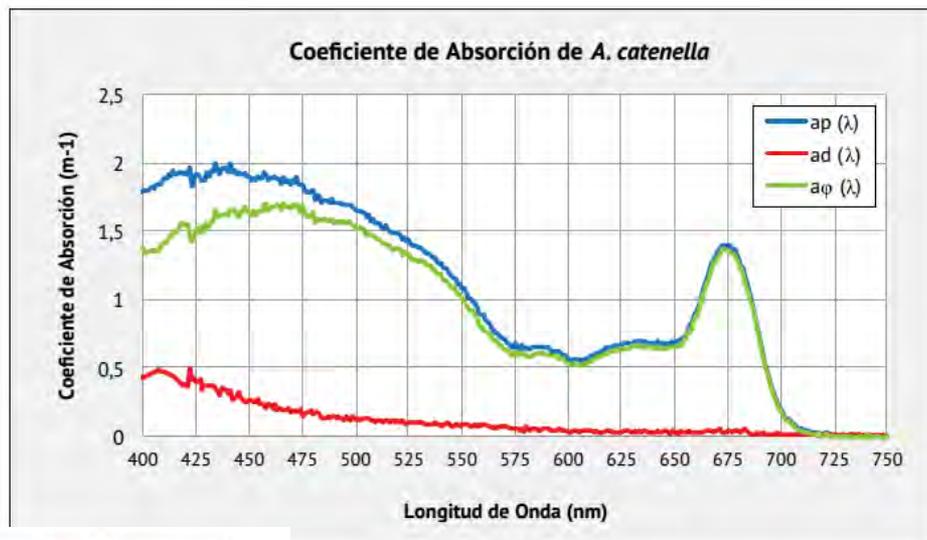


Lepidodinium chlorophorum a green dino producing blooms, Remote Sensing Chl and SST Using WINDATA/WINSOFT from M. Kahru & Google maps *.kmz dates 81-84



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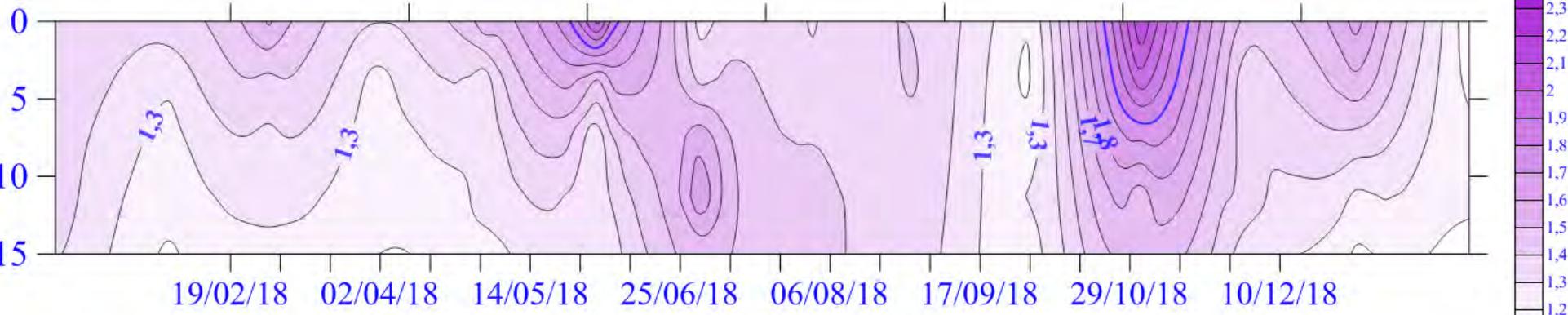
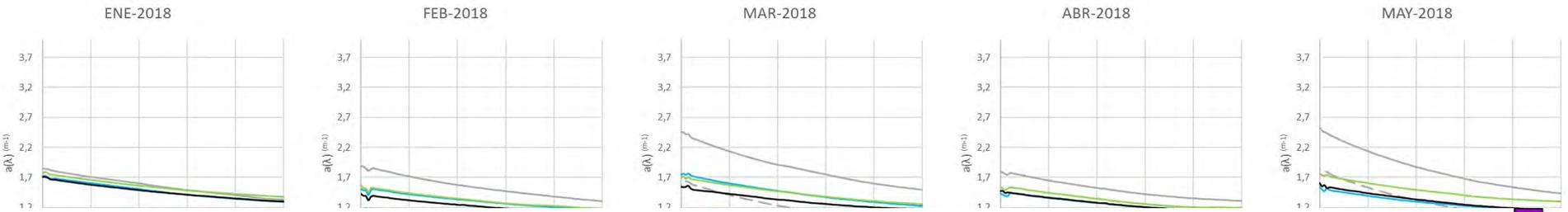
Bb (λ) and Absorption Coefficients of *Alexandrium catenella* motile culture cells



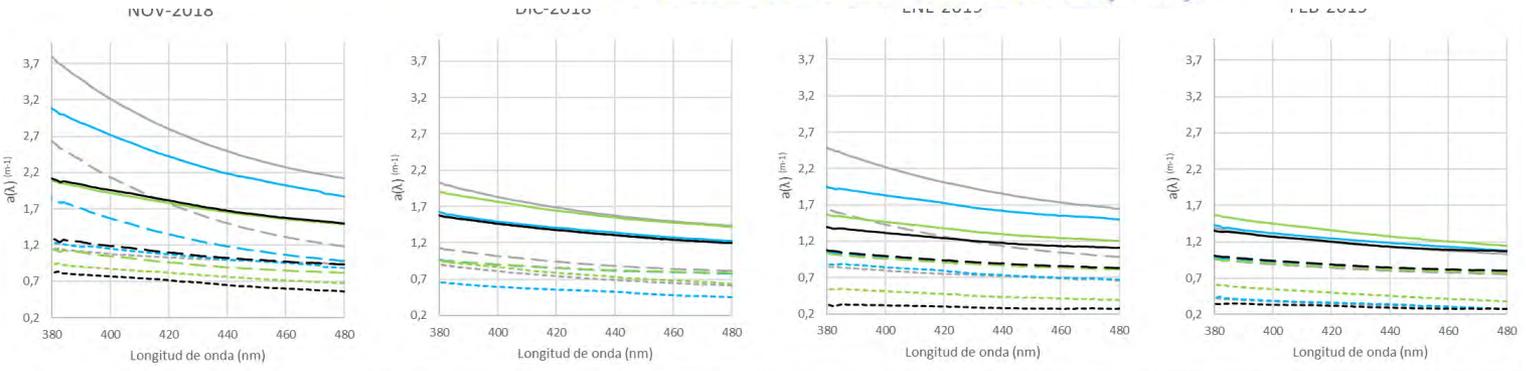


Absorption (λ, t, z) near a fish farm in a fjord

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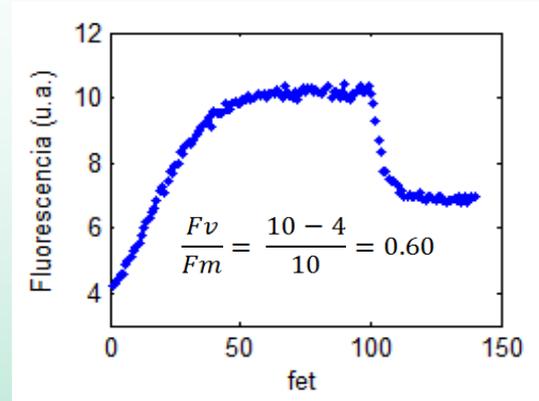
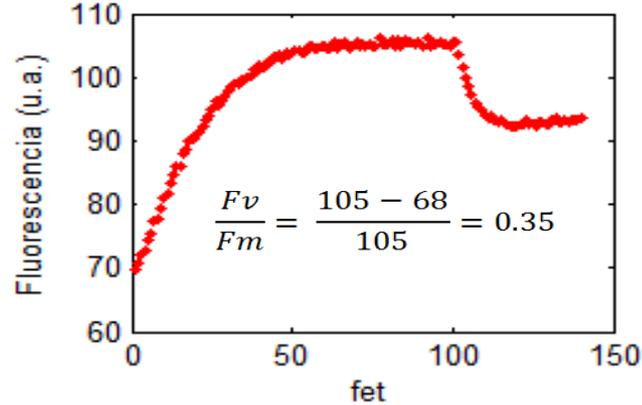
Coeficiente de Absorción (1/m)



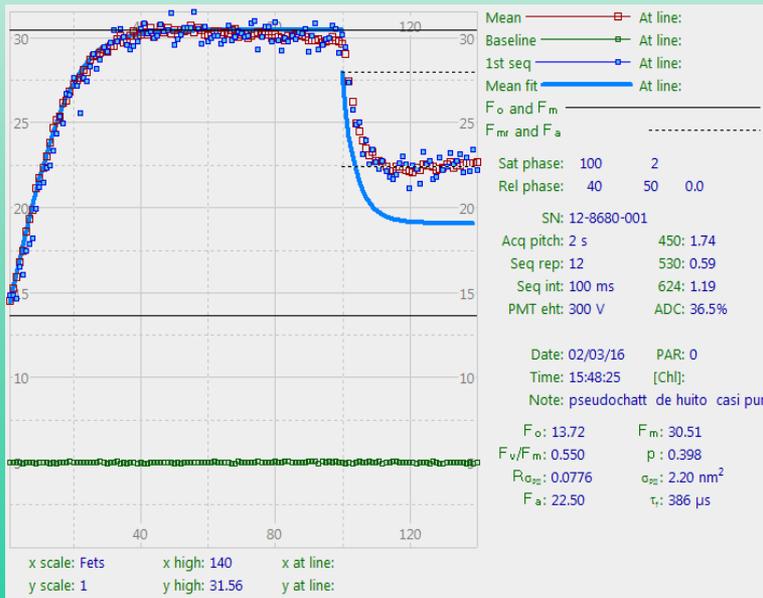
FRRf3 Induction Curves of PSII Dinoflagellates from culture, *Pseudochattonella*, *S. costatum*, from Marine Inland Sea

Skeletonema field cells

A. catenella cultured cells



Pseudochattonella cells from 2016 bloom

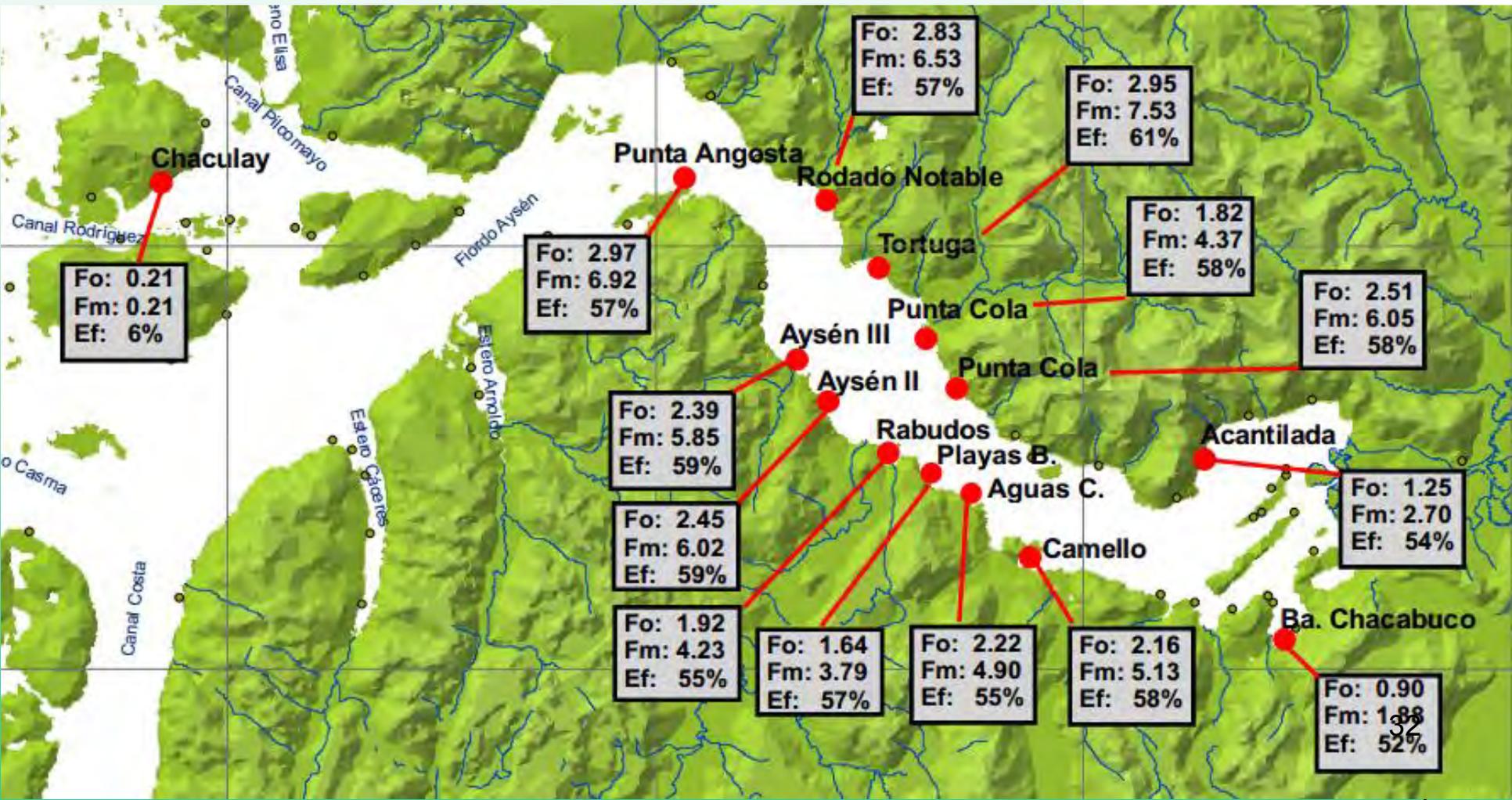
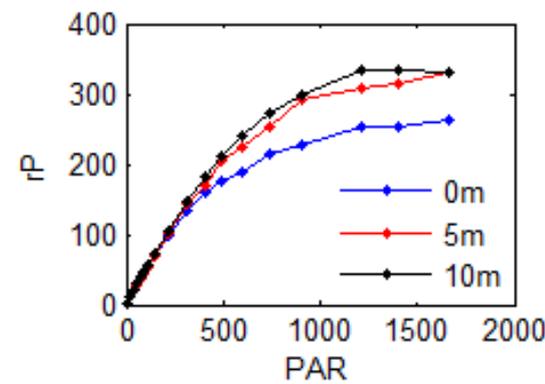


***Pseudochattonella*, among others, all the high biomass Harmful blooms studied with FRRf have really high Fo (13) & Fm (30) values. Light and Photosynthesis 7353-0 huito bloom.**

Harmful diatom bloom in Aysen Fjord

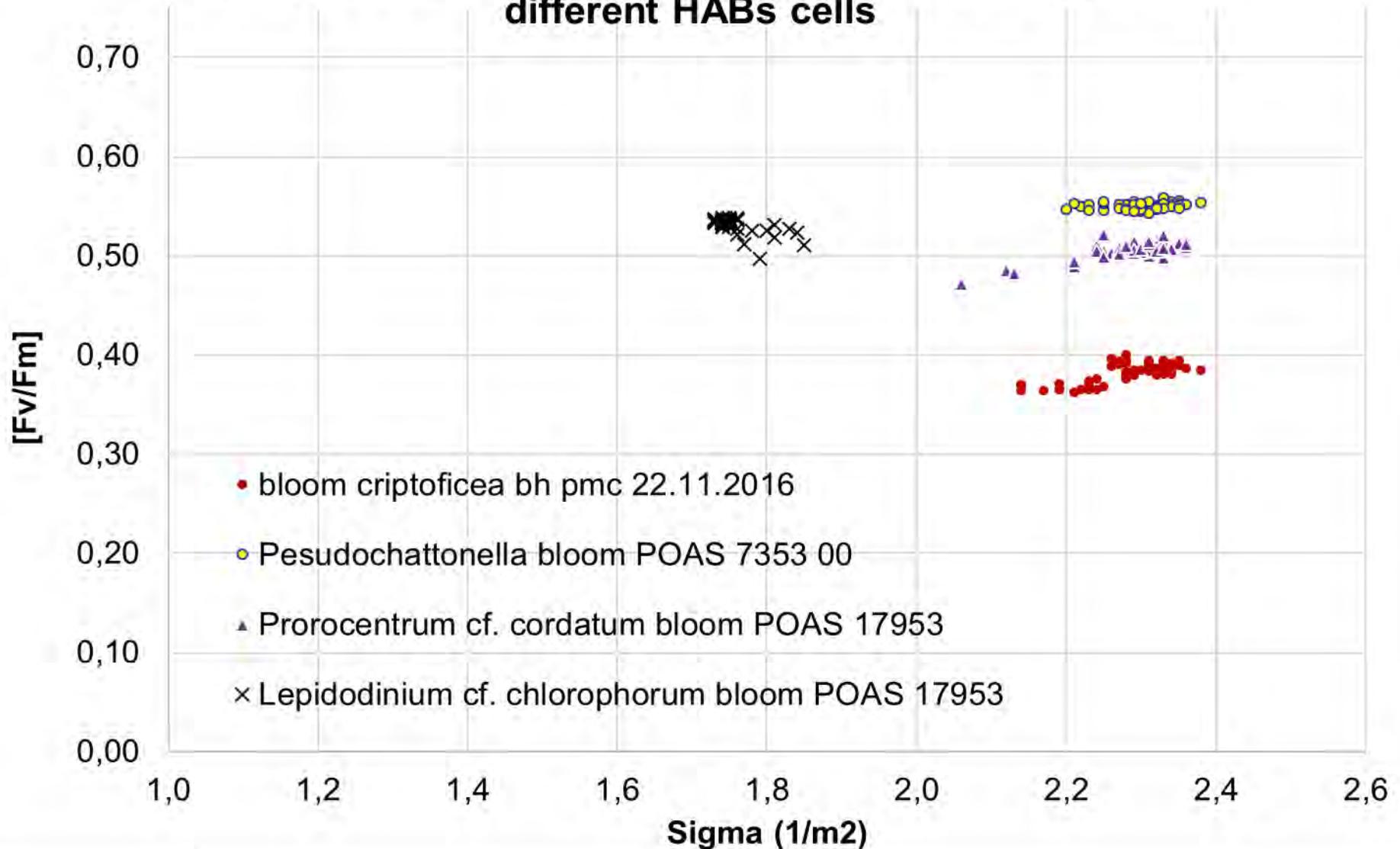
T. pseudonanna (5 μm)

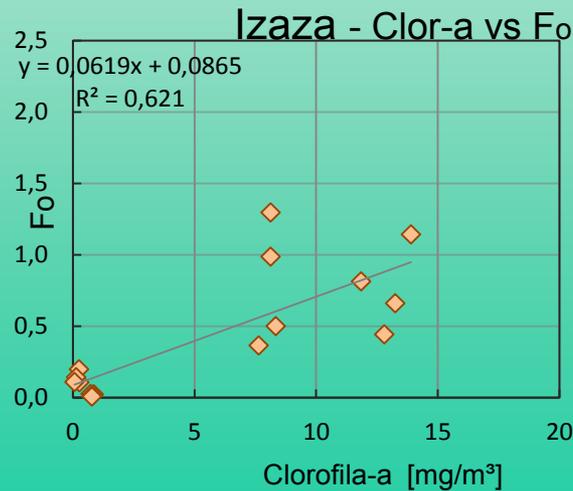
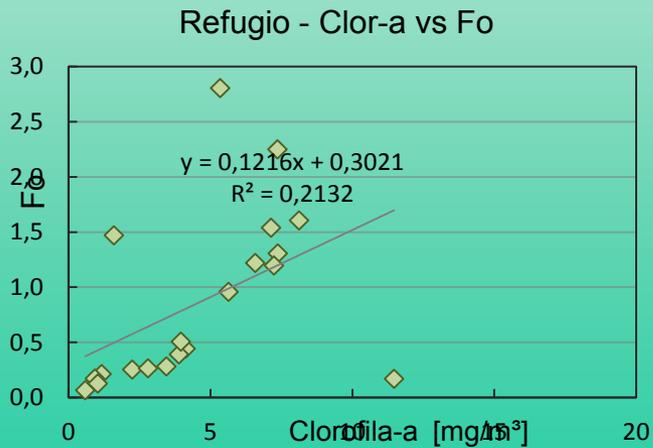
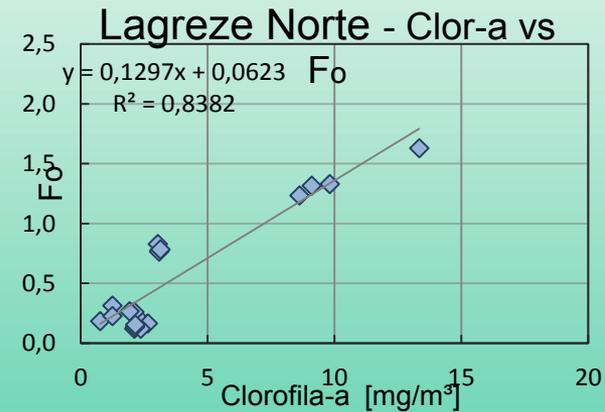
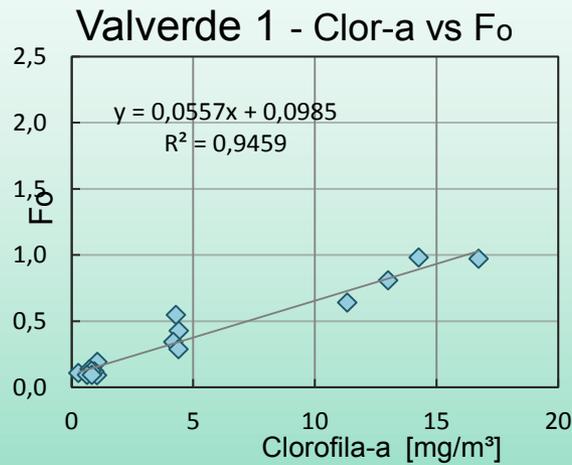
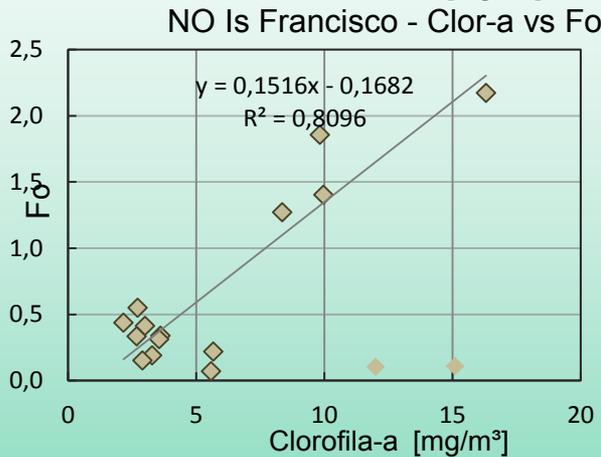
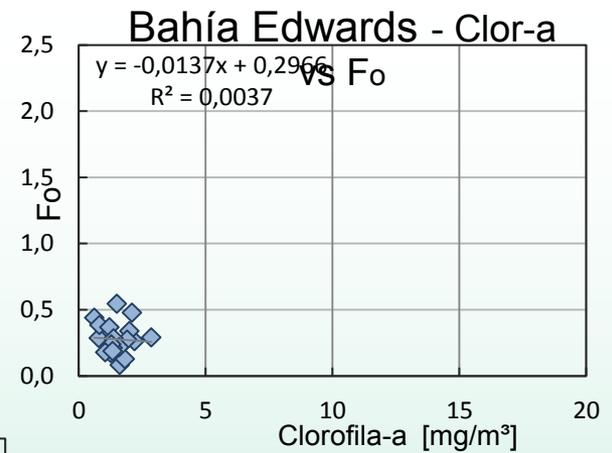
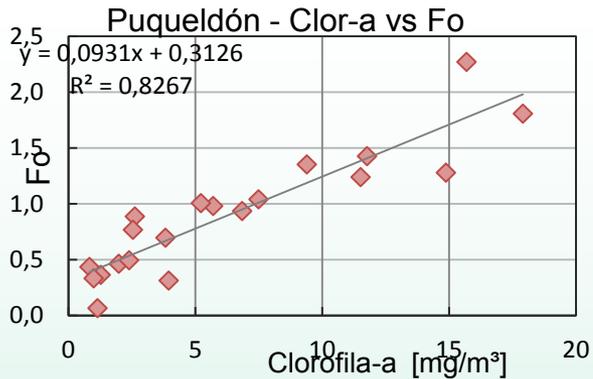
Photosynthetic parameters with FRRf3 (RLC)



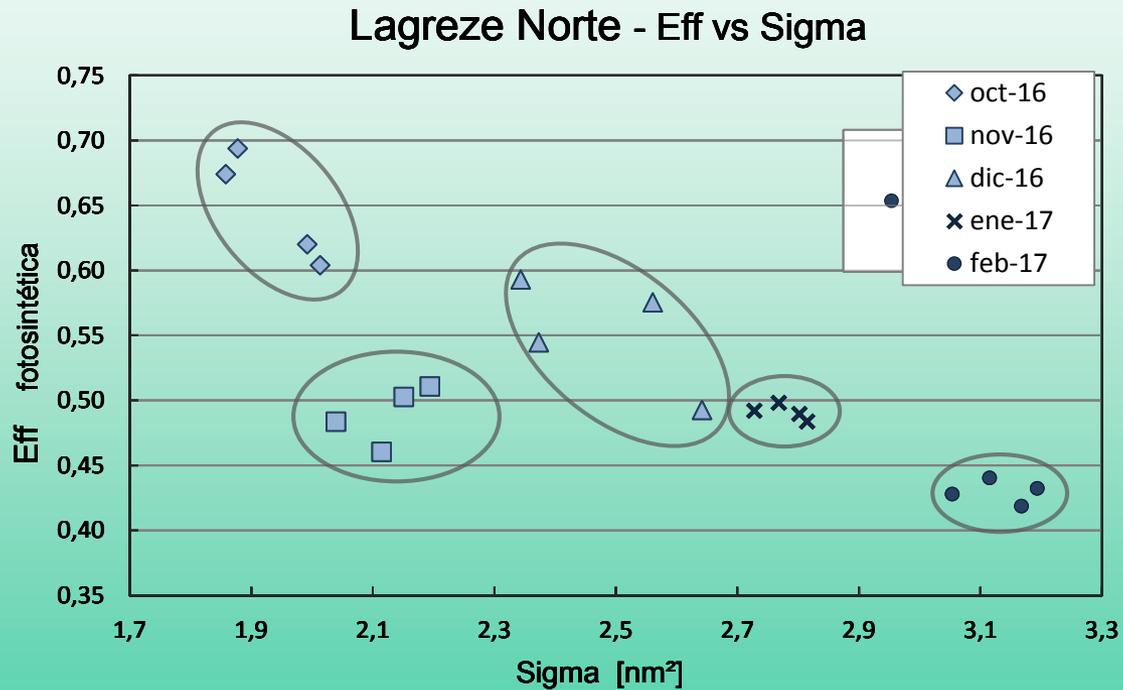
QUANTUM EFFICIENCY OF PSII (Fv/Fm) vs. CROSS SECTION OF PSII Data from natural assemblages

Photosynthetic Efficiency vs Absortion Cross Section of different HABs cells

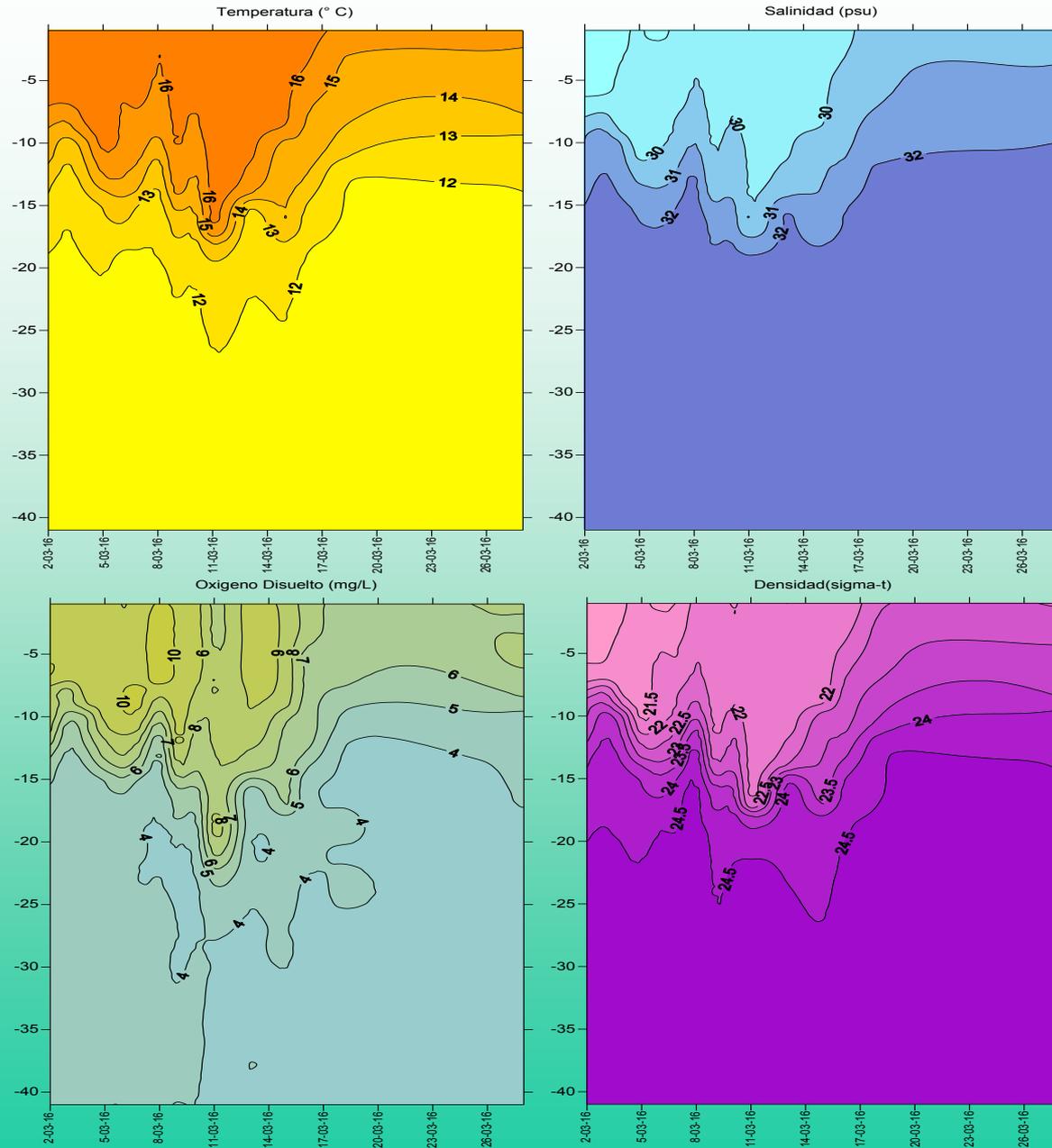




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Extreme Event of HAB 2016

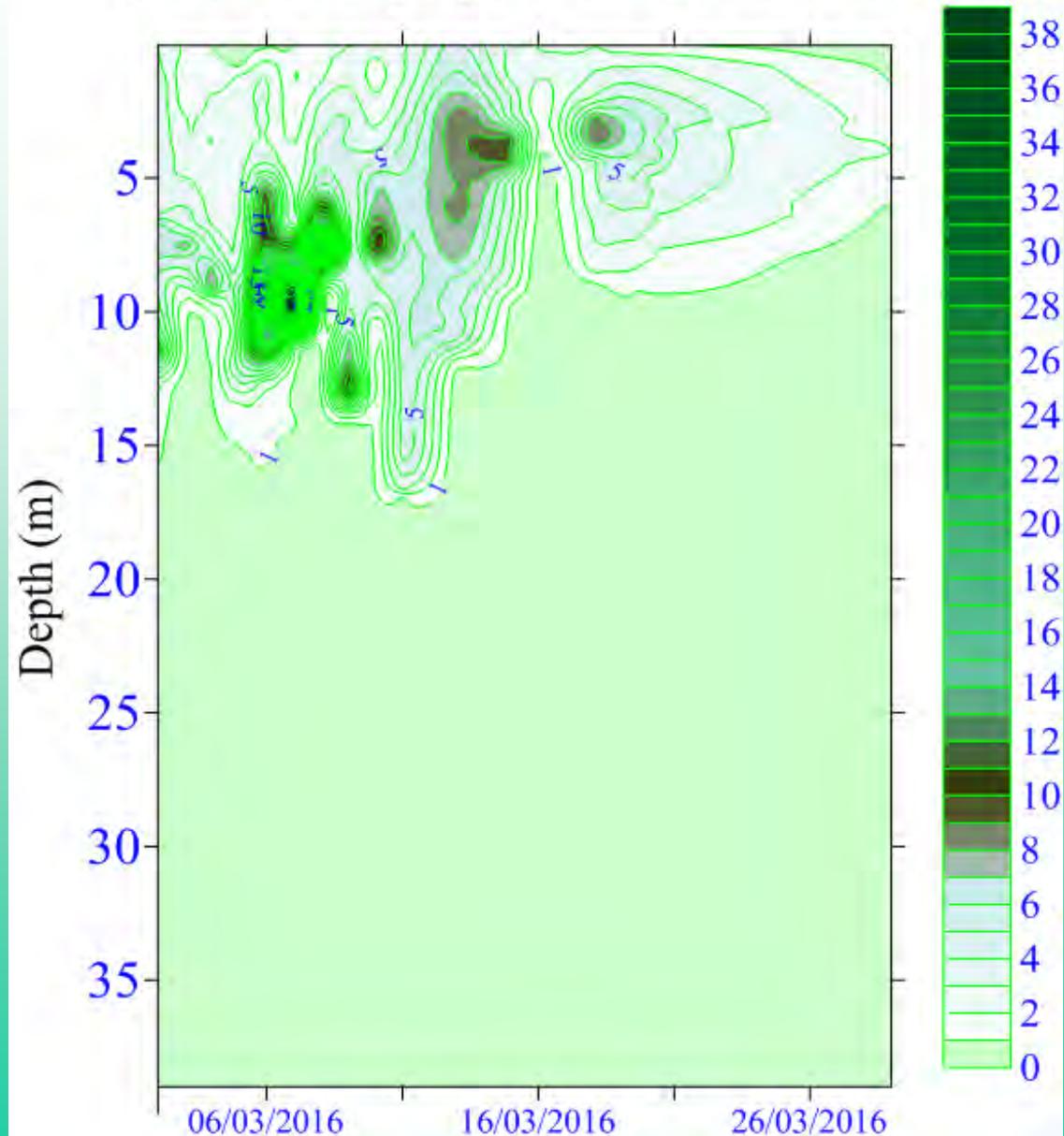


The “Godzilla 2016” HAB of *Pseudochattonella*, *in situ* Chl a Fluorescent, Bbp (470 and 660) 7-3-16, 14:51

In situ Chl a (mg/mg³) Reloncavi Sound March 2016

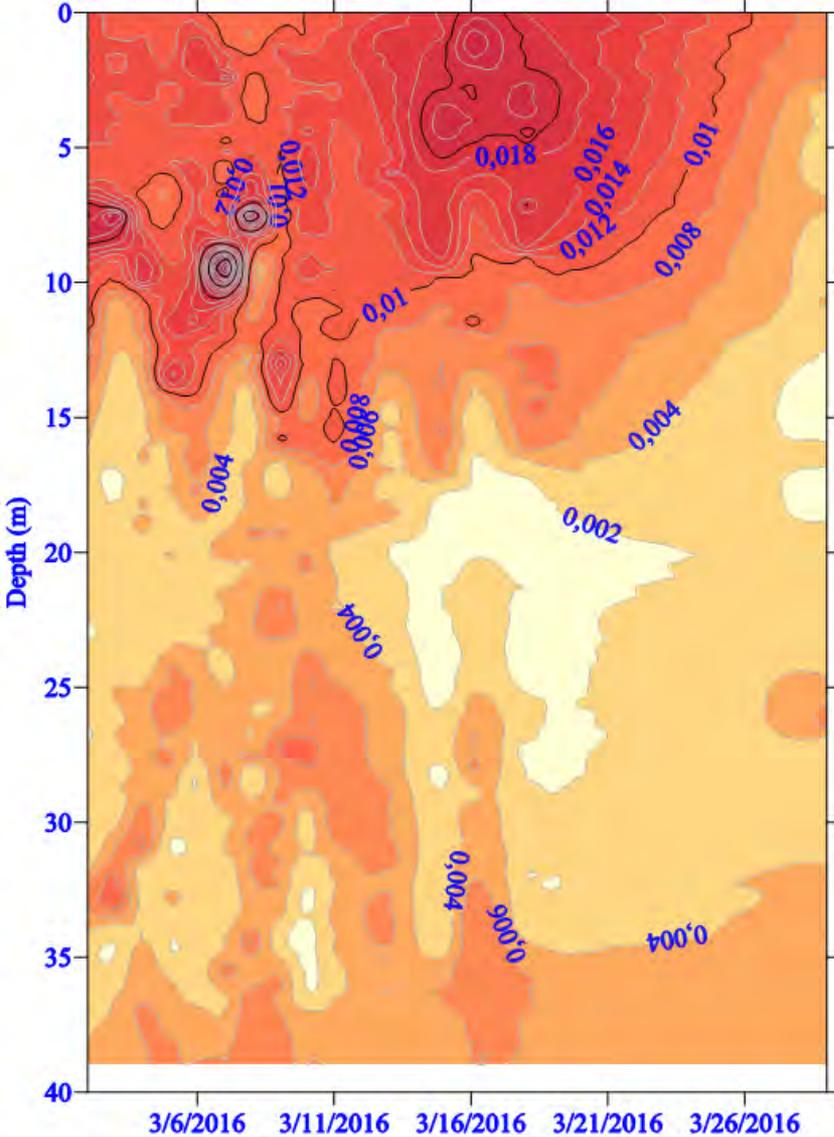
1. At the max subsurface chl a value it is observed a minimum variability of particles backscattering coefficient ratio (Bb440/Bb660 ratio), and a very consistent relationship between BB and Chl a.
2. Dominant cells in thin layer maximum belong to *Pseudochattonella* (max 4000 cells/mL).
3. Bb distributions at 470 and 660 nm, and ratios could be used as a proxy for *Pseudochattonella* blooms

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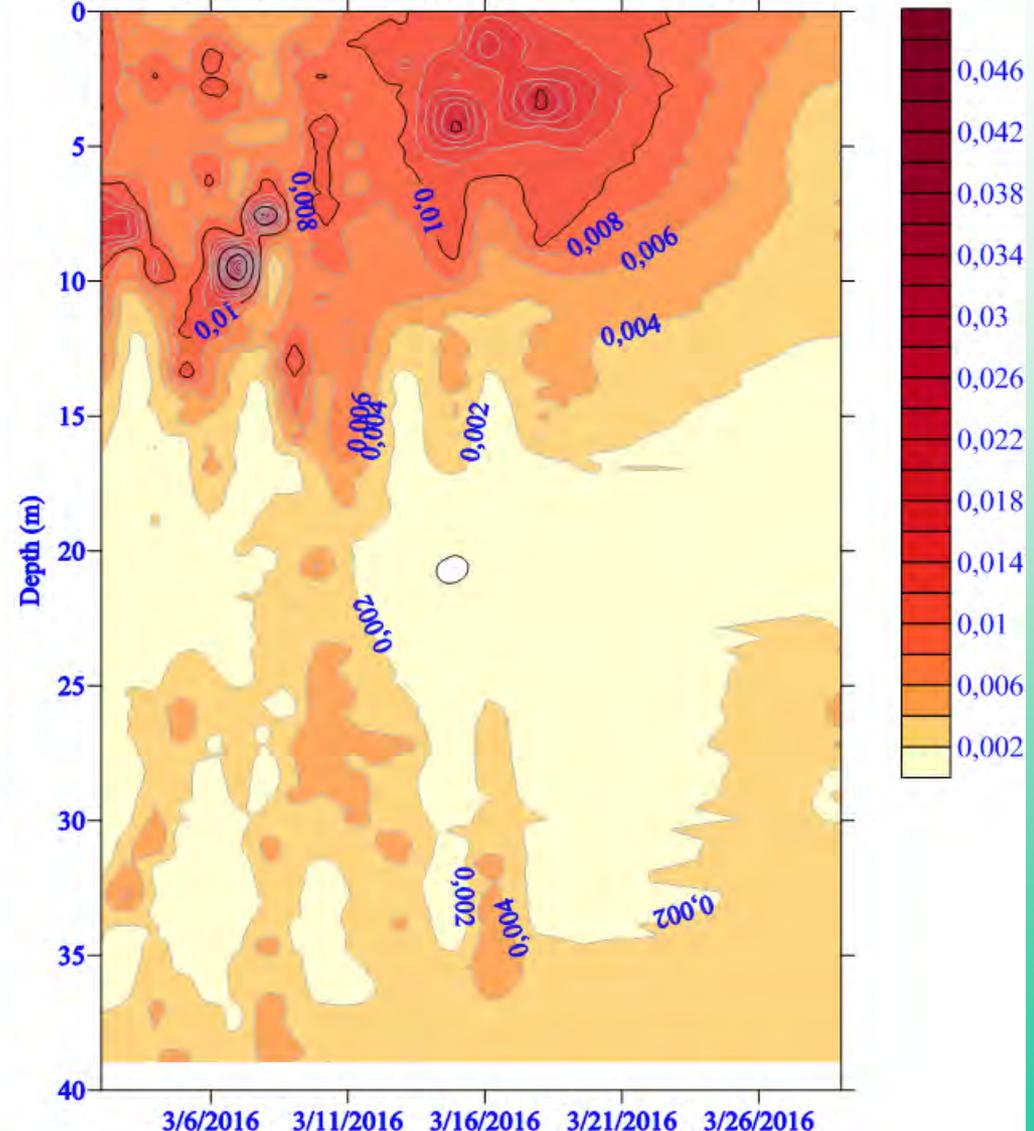


HABs of *Pseudochattonella*, *in situ* Chl a Fluorescent, Bbp (470 and 660) 7-3-16, 14:51

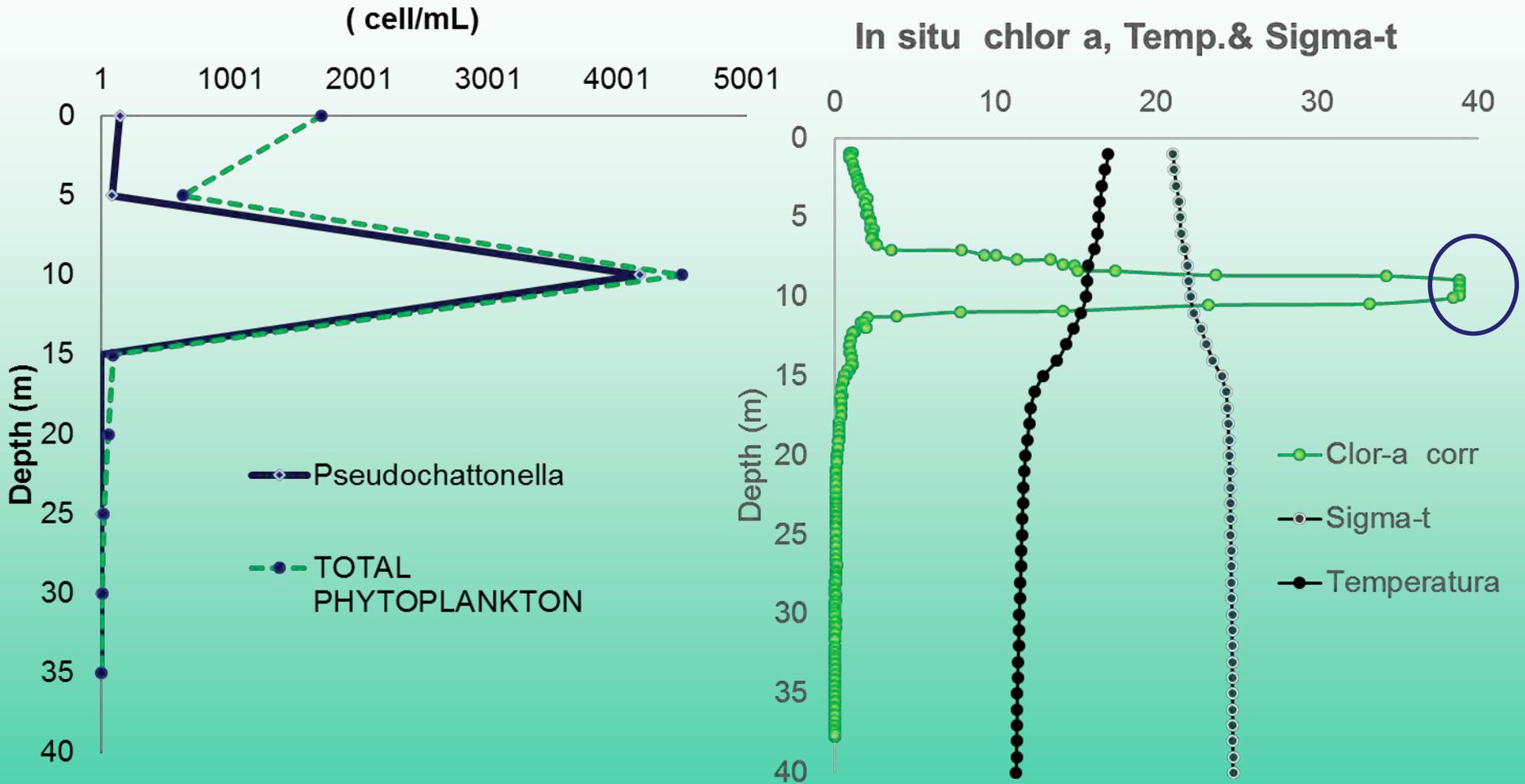
Bbp (470) Reloncavi Sound March 2016



Bbp (660) Reloncavi Sound March 2016



Phytoplankton Abundance, *Pseudochattonella*, *in situ* Chl *a* Fluorescent, Temperature, & Sigma-t. 7-march-2016, 14:51 (Clément et al 2017)

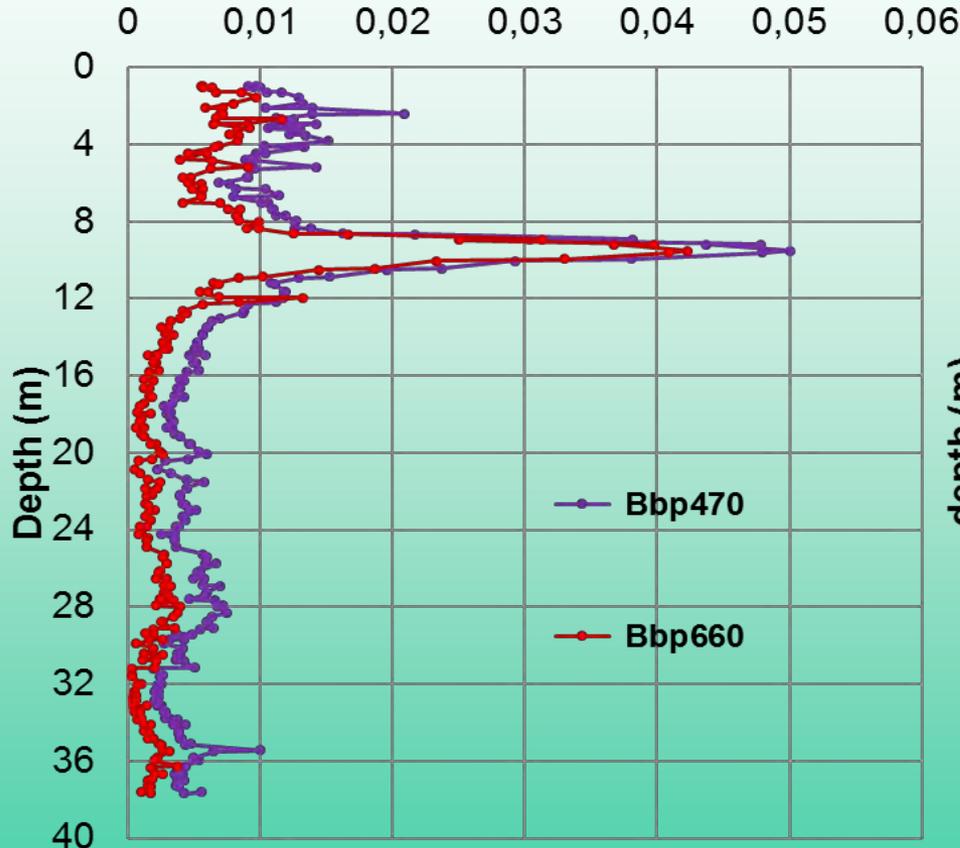


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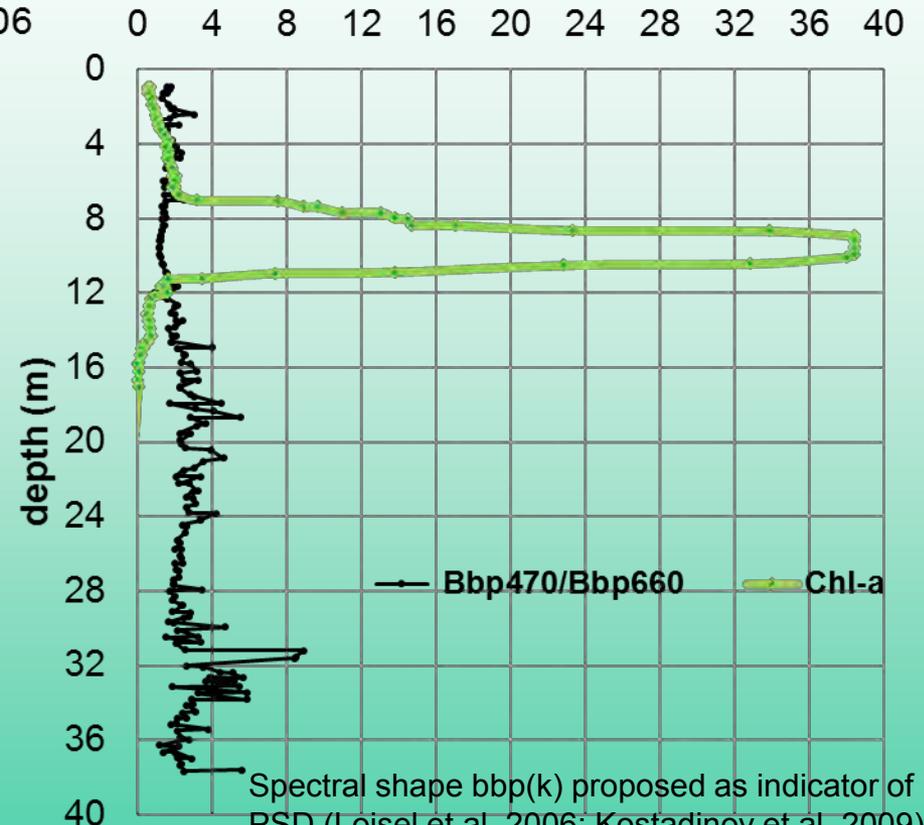
Thin layer, bio-optics and HABs of *Pseudochattonella*, *in situ* Chl a Fluorescent, Bbp (440 and 660 nm) 7-march-16, 14:51

Bb and cells size

Particulate Backscattering 470 and 660 nm



In situ Chlor a (mg/m³) and Backscattering ratio (470/660)

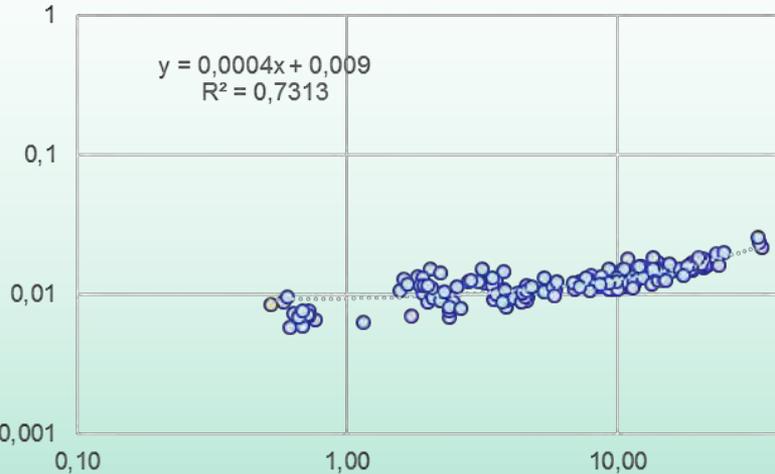


At Sub Surface Max chlor is observed minimum variability of backscattering Bb440/Bb660 ratio, & consistent relationship between BB and Chl a. At this thin layer we observed max *Pseudochattonella* abundance 4000 cell/ml

Spectral shape $bbp(k)$ proposed as indicator of PSD (Loisel et al. 2006; Kostadinov et al. 2009) and to characterize phytoplankton community structure (Kostadinov et al. 2010; Fujiwara et al. 2011).

Bbp(470 nm) vs Chl in Fjords waters during HAB events

Bbp(470) vs Chl at the HAB thin layer

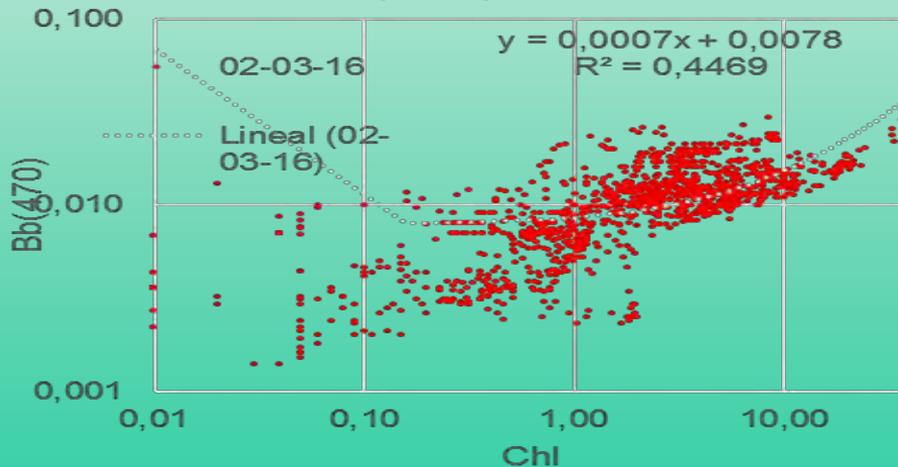


Hout et al 2008 Case 1 waters $R^2 > 0,8$

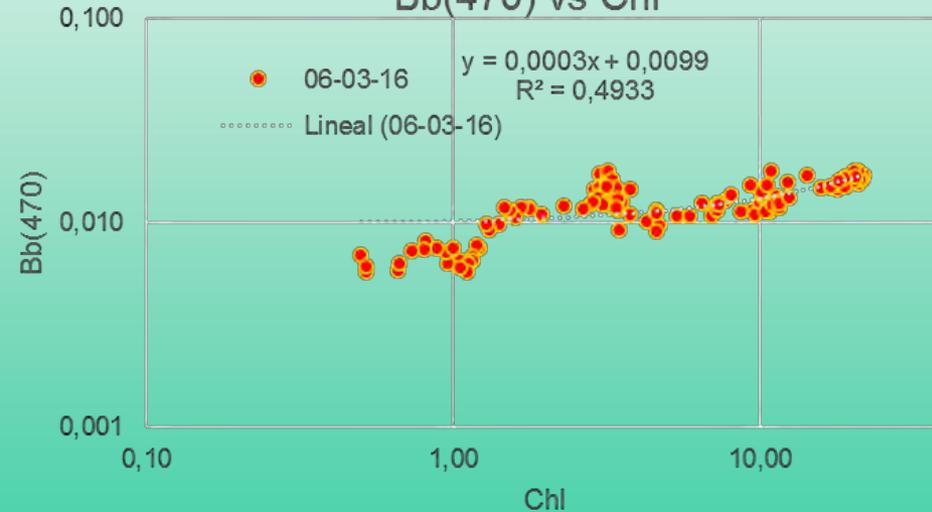
Complexities but best fit is precisely at thin layer, i.e., optically and biologically active layer.

Chl and uniform cells sizes and almost single specie niche.

Bb(470) vs Chl



Bb(470) vs Chl

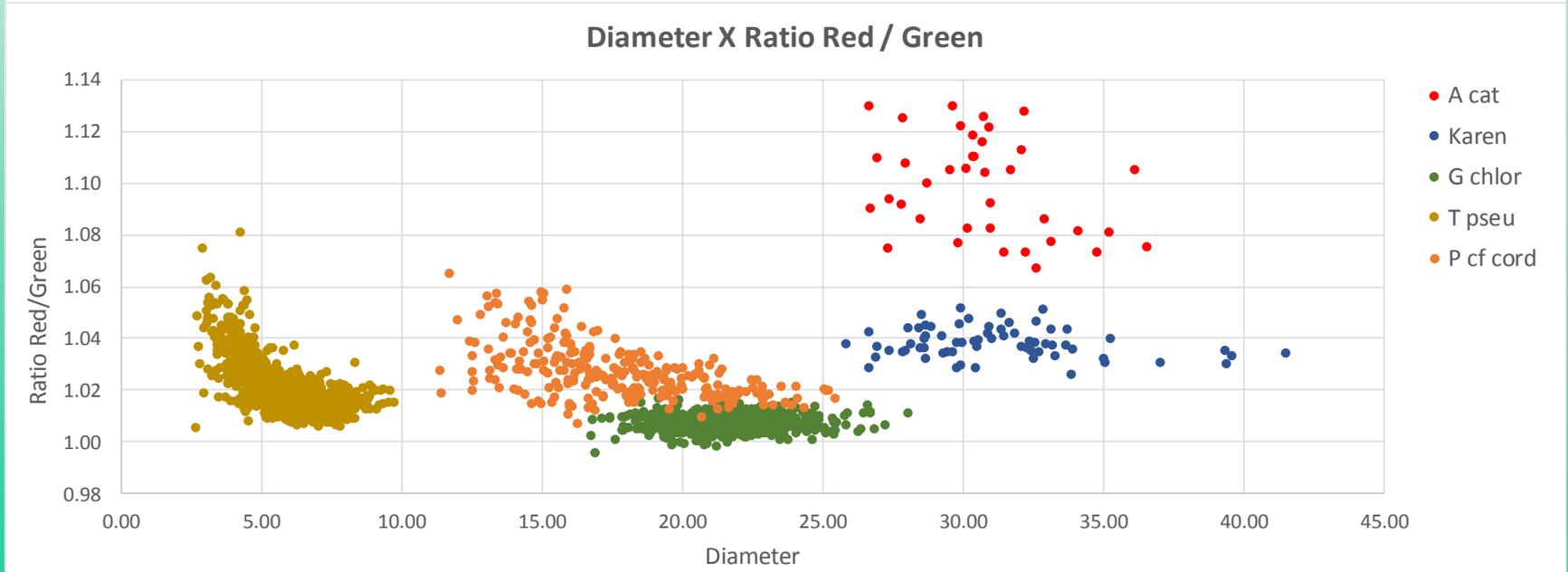
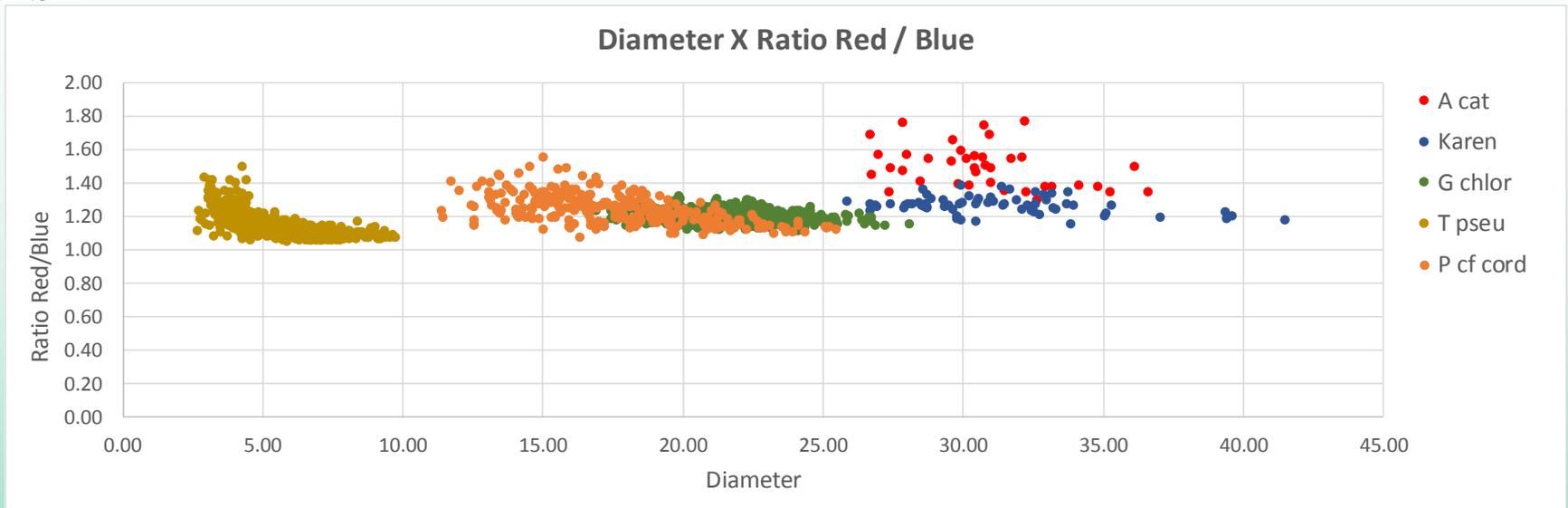


PHYTOPLANKTON TYPES, HABs cells,

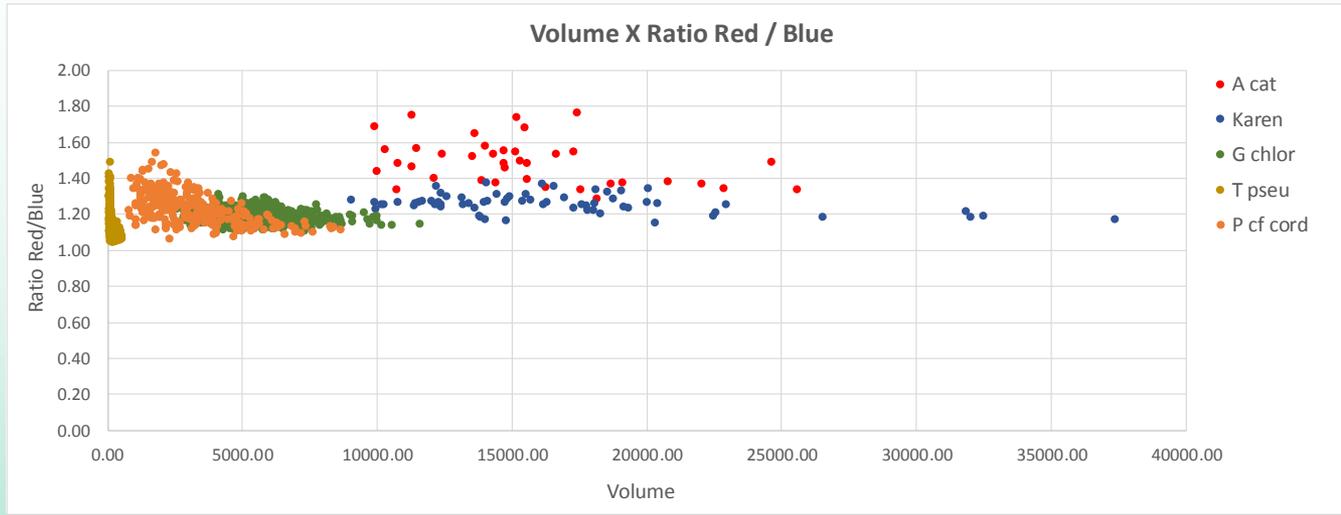
**Separated by
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(FLOWCAM)**

POPULATIONS OF DIFFERENT SPECIES, FORMING HABs, SEPARATED BY FlowCam PARAMETERS

Ratio [Red/Blue] vs cell Diameter



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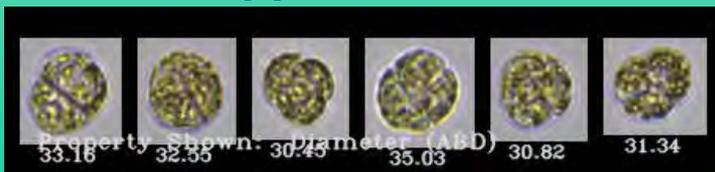
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Karenia spp.



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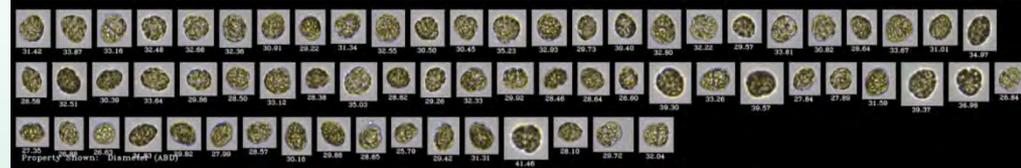


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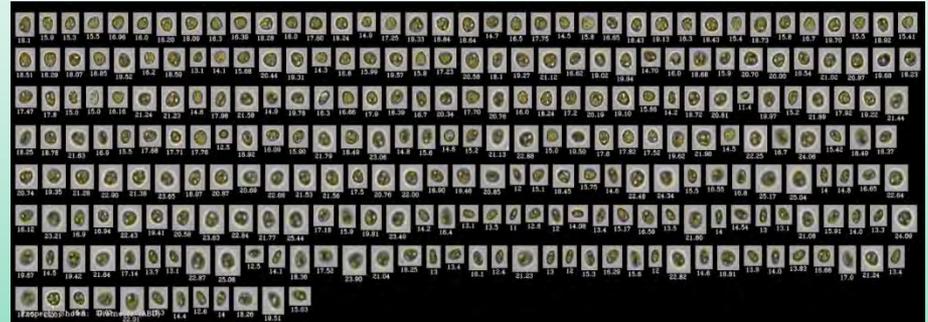
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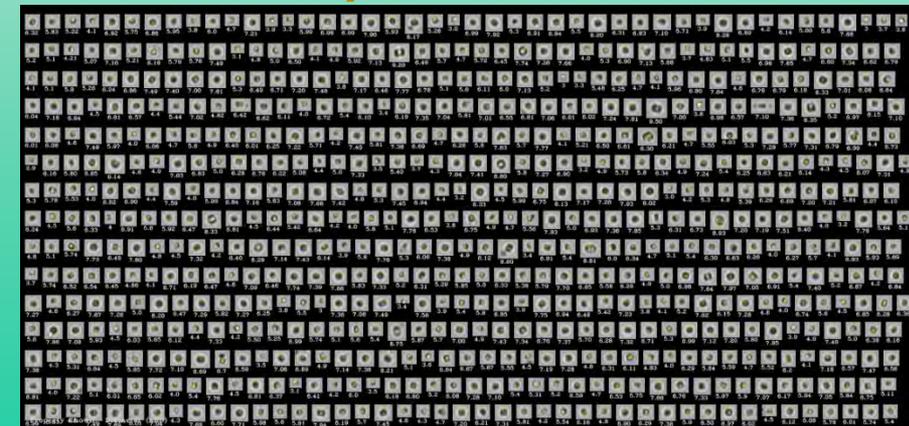
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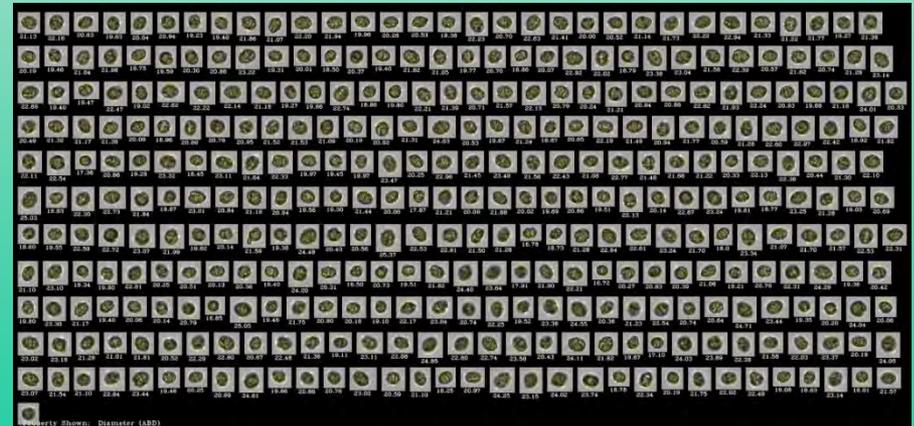
Prorocentrum cf cordatum



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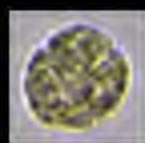
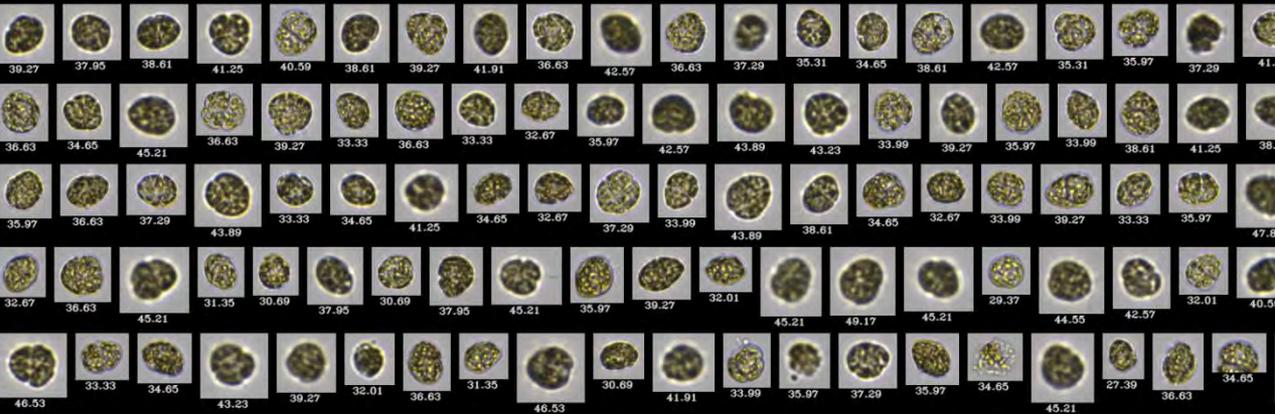
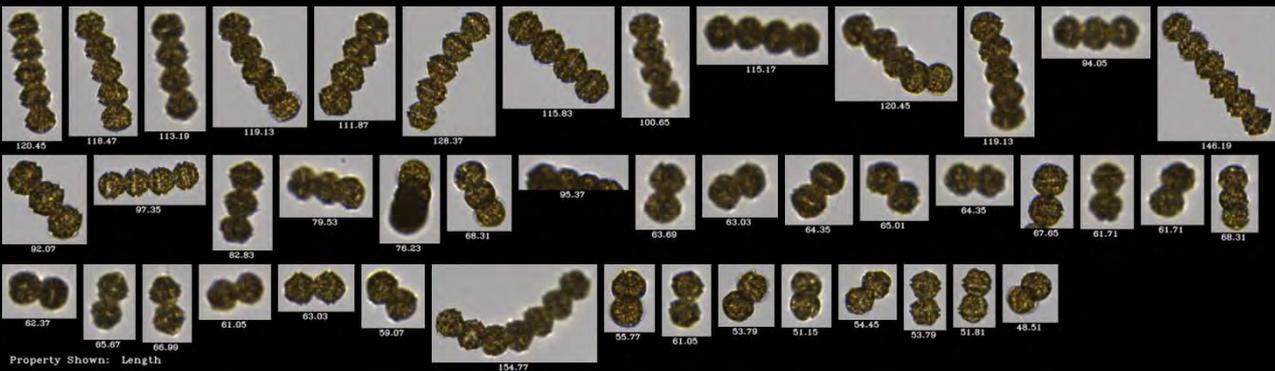


Lepidodinium chlorophorum



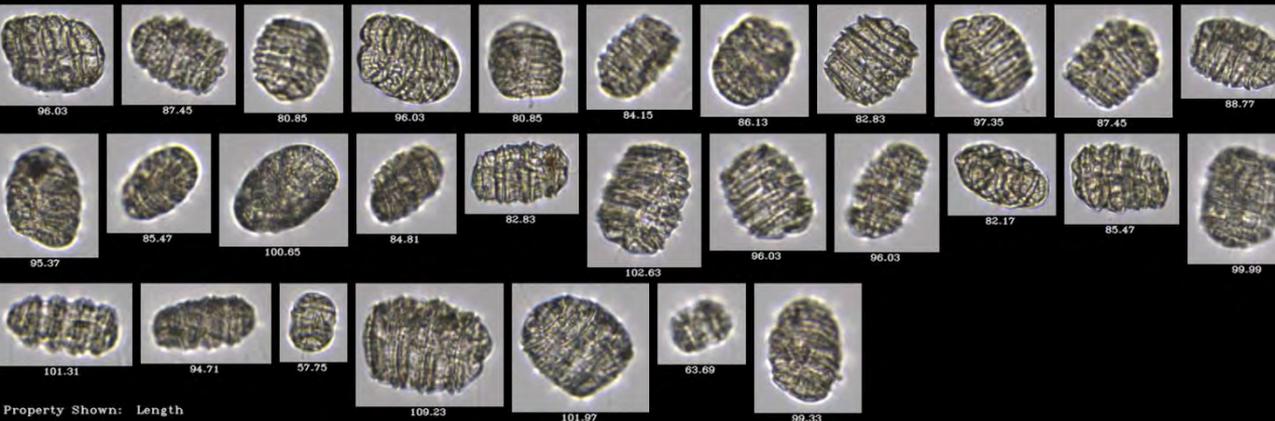


Characterization and digital libraries of dinoflagellates using FlowCam from Chilean fjords

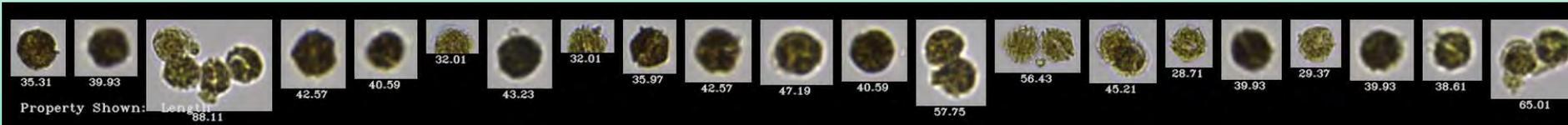
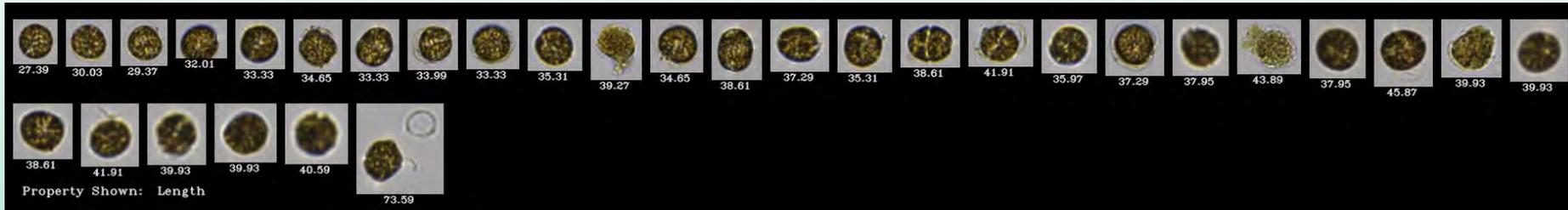
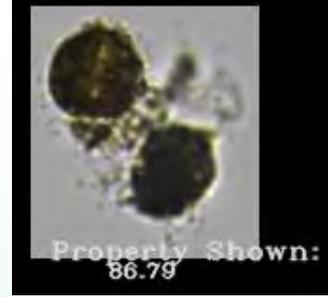


View Particle Properties

Particle ID	481
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Aspect Ratio	0.93
Biovolume (Sphere)	22499
Ch1 Peak	5.47
Diameter (ABD)	35.03
Geodesic Length	45.71
Geodesic Thickness	24.81
Length	37.29
Width	35.31



Damaged cells of *A. catenella* after decline of summer 2018 bloom in Archipelago of Chonos



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CONTRIBUTION OF THE HAB_f INDEX FOR FISH FARMS RISK ANALYSIS

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ABSTRACT

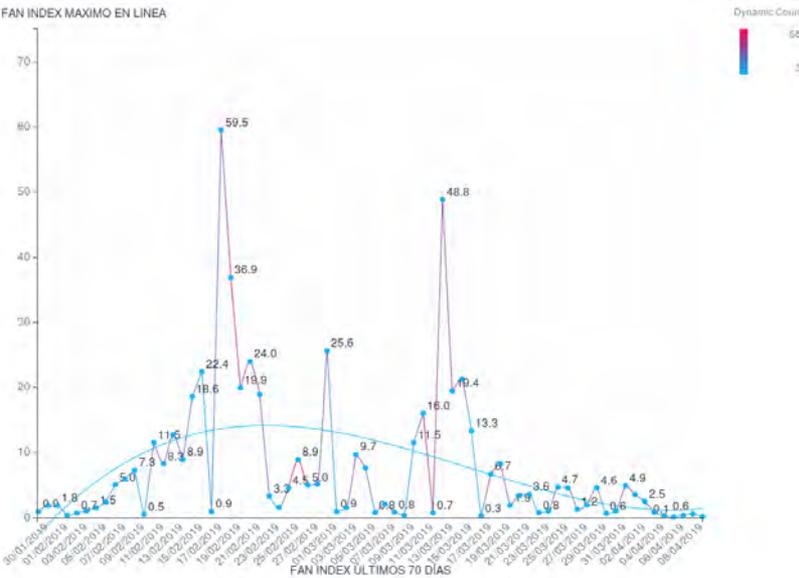
In recent years in southern Chile we observed numerous HABs event - particularly with flagellate species - which have been causing problem in fisheries and aquaculture. We have been monitoring and studying intensively the Chilean fjord ecosystem with emphasis on key phytoplankton species, their photosynthesis, and cell characterization and distribution with FlowCam, and remote sensing water color.

All the above results are valuable information as we develop an understanding of the oceanographic and ecological significance of the HAB events. However, we need in addition an on-line indicator such as HAB_f INDEX (= HABFIX) for the fish farmers, authorities and general users.

The HABFIX is based upon a relatively simple algorithm that considers different weighting factors and risk coefficients of each harmful algae abundance divided by its critical or threshold value for fish.

We have tested the HABFIX retrospectively, checking large data set connected directly to a server and a business intelligence software (BIME).

While the preliminary results of the HABFIX show a close correlation with harmful algae bloom impacts on salmon farms, there are few challenges to solve.



INTRODUCTION



Southern Chile is an important marine ecosystem that offers multiple services for society and economic development. HABs are increasing in frequency, magnitude, and duration worldwide (Gilbert et al 2014), but it seems that climatic anomalies are playing important role as one of the triggering factor (Clément et al 2017 León-Muñoz, J. et al 2018).

Our mayor focus is to use pollution-free technology for monitoring HABs. The local ecosystem has been monitoring for more than 29 years (Clément & Guzmán 1989, Clément & Lembeye, 1993, Guzmán et al 2010, Seguel M, et al 2005), being *A. catenella*, *Pseudochattonella* spp, and *Karenia* spp, the main species of concern.

Under this biological environment we have developed an HABFIX to improved monitoring data visualization for authorities and fish farmer:

Anderson DM et al 2014 develop an interesting HAB Index for shellfish toxicity for the coastal environment of Maine. Also exists the *K. brevis* Bloom Index (KBBI), based upon remote sensing for detecting and classifying the toxic dinoflagellate *Karenia* (Amin R A et al 2009).

METHODOLOGY & RESULTS

HABFIX is a simple algorithm of a series of variables and coefficients, such as: water column weighted average concentrations of phytoplankton and a specific harmful algae in relation with the critical or threshold value from a water sample from a marine fish farm.

After year 2002, in at least two cases, it has been observe blooms of *Leptocylindrus donicus* during several weeks in Southern Chile and then blooms of *Pseudochattonella*.

The synergistic effects, more than one

Several coefficients, Critical values and Risk factors used in the HABFIX algorithm

Genus	Species	C _{cr}
Chaetoceros	reticulatus	40
Chaetoceros	reticulatus	3
Prasinocapsa	solitaria	1000
Emiliania	sp.	1000
Rhodomonas	sp. majora	1000
Skatoceros	skatoceros	20000
Leptocylindrus	donicus	4000
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Thalassiosira	peruvianella	25000
Phaeocystis	sp.1	3
Chattonella	sp.	10
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Asterionikion	subnitens	20

OBJECTIVE

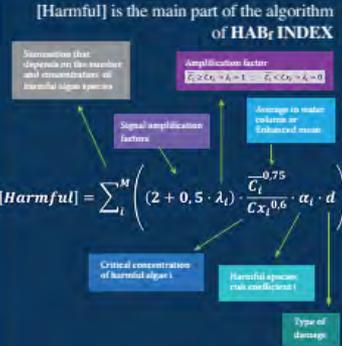
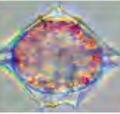
The goal is to explore, develop and evaluate an algorithm that measure the occurrence of HABs in the marine coastal ecosystem, with emphasis on fish culture areas.

$$HAB_f = [Harmful] + [Phyto]_{Total}$$

$$C_i = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^M C_{i,c}}{N^{0,9}}$$

$$[Harmful] = \sum_{i=1}^M \left((2 + 0,5 \cdot \lambda_i) \cdot \frac{C_i^{-0,75}}{C_{X_i}^{0,6}} \cdot \alpha_i \cdot d \right)$$

$$[Phyto]_{Total} = (0,4 + 0,5 \cdot \lambda) \cdot \left(\frac{C_{TOT}}{C_{XTOT}} \right)^{0,6}$$



Symbol	Description of factor, coefficients and terms
C _i	Water column Average of each harmful algae concentration or enhanced mean in units of cell/ml.
C _{cr}	Critical concentration of harmful algae. Tabulated values (3-50000 cell/ml), which are empiric directly from studies and remote. Empirical data obtain from POAS and historical HABs.
λ _i	Amplification Factors: penalizes the effect of each harmful species in the equation.
α _i	Harmful species risk coefficient. Positive or weighs the negative effect of each harmful species, according to the degree of damage on fish aquaculture. Tabulated values (0-2).
d	Type of damage. It discriminates the contribution of each harmful species, in order to differentiate mathematically the effect of sublethal species (d = 2) and those that cause physical damage (d = 1).
M	Summation that depends on the number of harmful algae species in the water sample. This is an important result because include the synergistic effect.
C _{Xi}	Concentration of species at depth
N	Number of lapses or depth sampled in water column

FINAL REMARKS

1. Thin layers formation, sub-surface max, above pycnocline based on cells counts, *in situ* Chl, Bb(λ), Fv are essential features of *P. verruculosa* bloom, in addition ichthyo-toxicity. More info Andersen et al Hansen, Hallegraeff, Ishimatsu
2. FRRF3 is very useful tool for HAB monitoring, particularly during high Chl values (> 5 mg/M³) **and small sizes cells**. Aysén Fjrod case.
3. It is feasible as a proxi *in situ* and/or *in vitro* bio-optical/physical techniques to monitor HABs but demand a lot of data processing.
4. Phytoplankton OC-Rrs & bio-optical techniques have been studied for more than 35 years, however, is hard to predict Phytoplankton Functional Types (PFT) in **optically complex waters**, (IOCCG 2014, Bracher et al 2017).
5. The combination of standard microscopy, molecular biology, active Fluorescent (Fv/Sigma), cell imaging, IOP and RS OC are useful technique for monitoring optically complex waters. The challenge is data management, integration, modelling and **forecasting HABs**

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