



# DGTs, A COMPLEMENTARY TOOL TOWARDS MORE EFFICIENT BIOMONITORING PRACTICES

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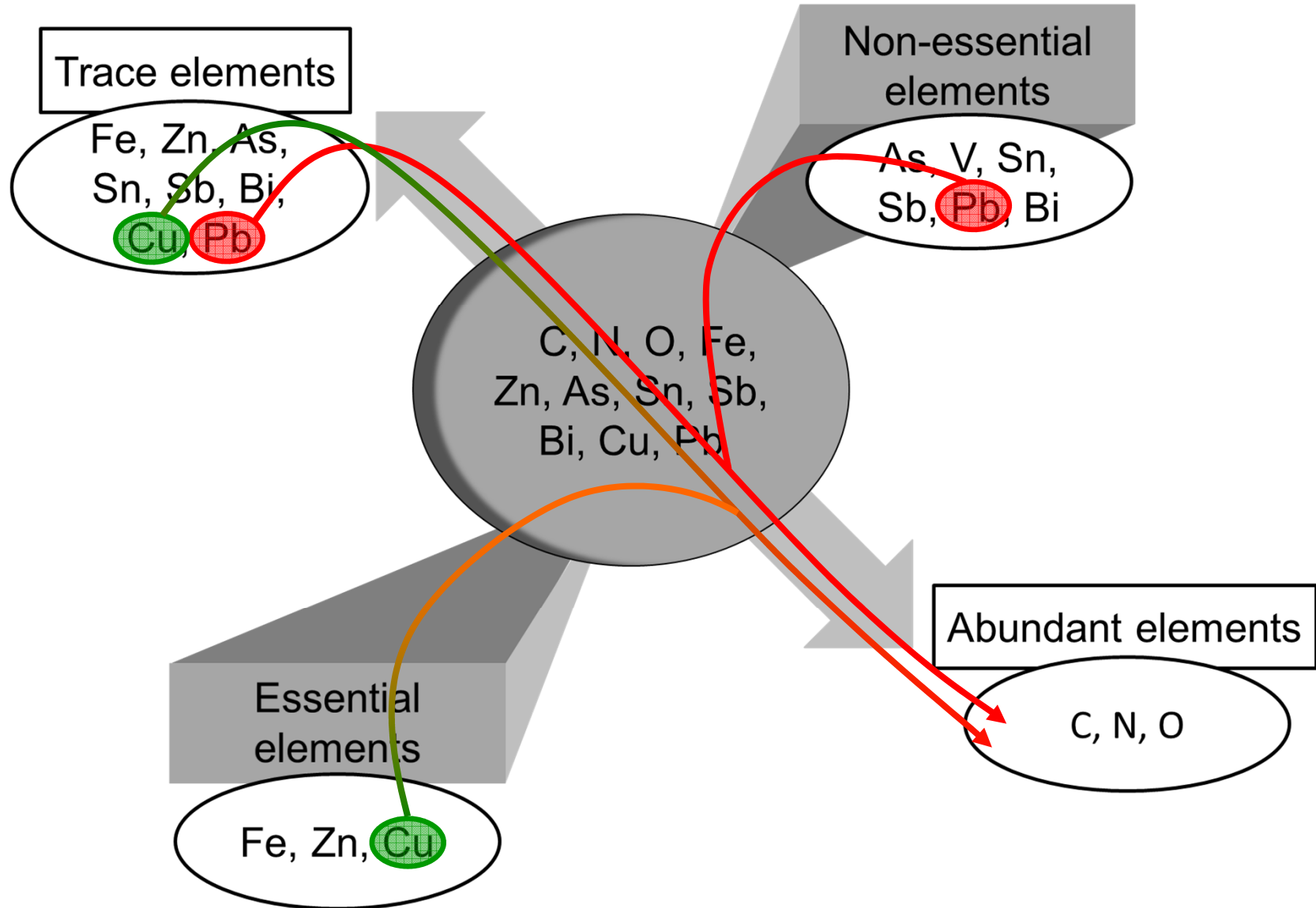
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# Trace elements

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(after Amiard ,2011)



# PERIODIC TABLE of the ELEMENTS



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VII A 18  
**He**  
Helium 2  
4.00

**Ne**  
Neon 10  
20.18

**Ar**  
Argon 18  
39.95

**Kr**  
Krypton 36  
83.80

**Xe**  
Xenon 54  
131.29

**Rn**  
Radon 86  
[222]

**La**  
Lanthanum 57  
138.91

**Ac**  
Actinium 89  
227.03

IA 1  
**H**  
Hydrogen 1  
1.01

IIA 2  
**Li**  
Lithium 3  
6.94

**Na**  
Sodium 11  
22.99

**K**  
Potassium 19  
39.10

**Rb**  
Rubidium 37  
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**Cs**  
Caesium 55  
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Francium 87  
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**Be**  
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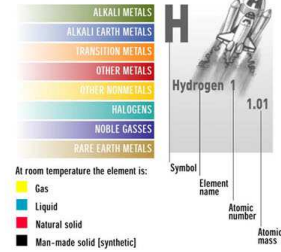
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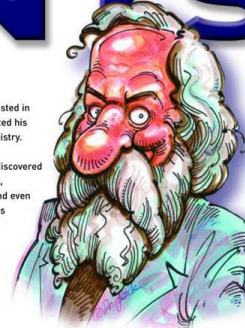


## DMITRI MENDELEYEV (1834 - 1907)

The Russian chemist, Dmitri Mendeleev, was the first to observe that if elements were listed in order of atomic mass, they showed regular (periodical) repeating properties. He formulated his discovery in a periodic table of elements, now regarded as the backbone of modern chemistry.

The crowning achievement of Mendeleev's periodic table lay in his prophecy of then, undiscovered elements. In 1869, the year he published his periodic classification, the elements gallium, germanium and scandium were unknown. Mendeleev left spaces for them in his table and even predicted their atomic masses and other chemical properties. Six years later, gallium was discovered and his predictions were found to be accurate. Other discoveries followed and their chemical behaviour matched that predicted by Mendeleev.

This remarkable man, the youngest in a family of 17 children, has left the scientific community with a classification system so powerful that it became the cornerstone in chemistry teaching and the prediction of new elements ever since. In 1955, element 101 was named after him: Md, Mendeleevium.



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<b>Y</b> Yttrium 39 88.91	<b>Zr</b> Zirconium 40 91.22	<b>Nb</b> Niobium 41 92.91	<b>Mo</b> Molybdenum 42 95.94	<b>Tc</b> Technetium 43 (98)	<b>Ru</b> Ruthenium 44 101.07	<b>Rh</b> Rhodium 45 102.91	<b>Pd</b> Palladium 46 106.42	<b>Ag</b> Silver 47 107.87	<b>Cd</b> Cadmium 48 112.41	<b>Al</b> Aluminium 13 26.98	<b>Si</b> Silicon 14 28.09	<b>P</b> Phosphorus 15 30.97	<b>S</b> Sulphur 16 32.06	<b>Cl</b> Chlorine 17 35.45
<b>Ba</b> Barium 56 137.33	<b>Hf</b> Hafnium 72 178.49	<b>Ta</b> Tantalum 73 180.95	<b>W</b> Tungsten 74 183.85	<b>Re</b> Rhenium 75 186.21	<b>Os</b> Osmium 76 190.23	<b>Ir</b> Iridium 77 192.22	<b>Pt</b> Platinum 78 195.08	<b>Au</b> Gold 79 196.97	<b>Hg</b> Mercury 80 200.59	<b>Ga</b> Gallium 31 69.72	<b>Ge</b> Germanium 32 72.61	<b>As</b> Arsenic 33 74.92	<b>Se</b> Selenium 34 78.96	<b>Br</b> Bromine 35 79.90
<b>Ra</b> Radium 88 [226]	<b>Rf</b> Rutherfordium 104 [261]	<b>Db</b> Dubnium 105 [262]	<b>Sg</b> Seaborgium 106 [263]	<b>Bh</b> Bohrium 107 [262]	<b>Hs</b> Hassium 108 [265]	<b>Mt</b> Meitnerium 109 [266]	<b>La</b> Lanthanum 57 138.91	<b>Ce</b> Cerium 58 140.12	<b>Pr</b> Praseodymium 59 140.91	<b>Nd</b> Neodymium 60 144.24	<b>Pm</b> Promethium 61 [145]	<b>Sm</b> Samarium 62 150.36	<b>Eu</b> Europium 63 151.96	<b>Gd</b> Gadolinium 64 157.25
							<b>Tb</b> Terbium 65 158.93	<b>Dy</b> Dysprosium 66 162.50	<b>Ho</b> Holmium 67 164.93	<b>Er</b> Erbium 68 167.26	<b>Tm</b> Thulium 69 168.93	<b>Yb</b> Ytterbium 70 173.04	<b>Lu</b> Lutetium 71 174.96	
							<b>Ac</b> Actinium 89 227.03	<b>Th</b> Thorium 90 232.04	<b>Pa</b> Protactinium 91 231.04	<b>U</b> Uranium 92 238.03	<b>Np</b> Neptunium 93 [237]	<b>Pu</b> Plutonium 94 [244]	<b>Am</b> Americium 95 [243]	<b>Cm</b> Curium 96 [247]
							<b>Bk</b> Berkelium 97 [247]	<b>Cf</b> Californium 98 [251]	<b>Es</b> Einsteinium 99 [252]	<b>Fm</b> Fermium 100 [257]	<b>Md</b> Mendelevium 101 [258]	<b>No</b> Nobelium 102 [259]	<b>Lr</b> Lawrencium 103 [260]	





# Introduction



Direct measurements in water :

- ❖ low, punctual and fluctuating concentrations;
- ❖ preconcentrations;
- ❖ bioaccessible fraction?



Ecotoxicology :

bioindicators =  
organisms accumulating  
pollutants to levels  
representative of their  
habitat pollution status.



*Posidonia oceanica*



*Mytilus galloprovincialis*





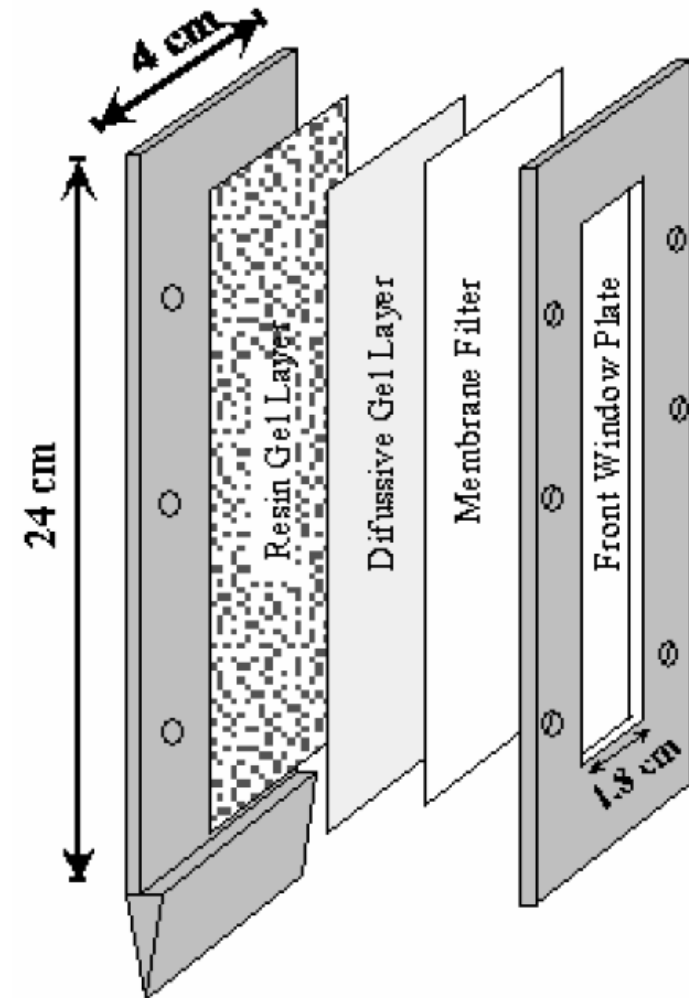
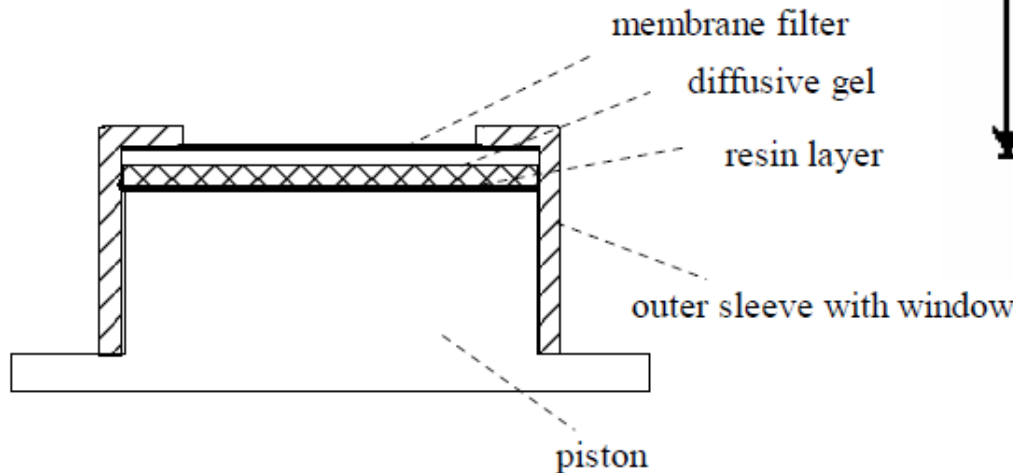
# Introduction



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Davison and Zhang (1994).  
*In situ speciation  
measurements of trace  
components in natural  
waters using thin-film gels.*  
Nature. 367: 546-548.  
(Lancaster University, UK)

DGT = diffusive gradients  
in thin films



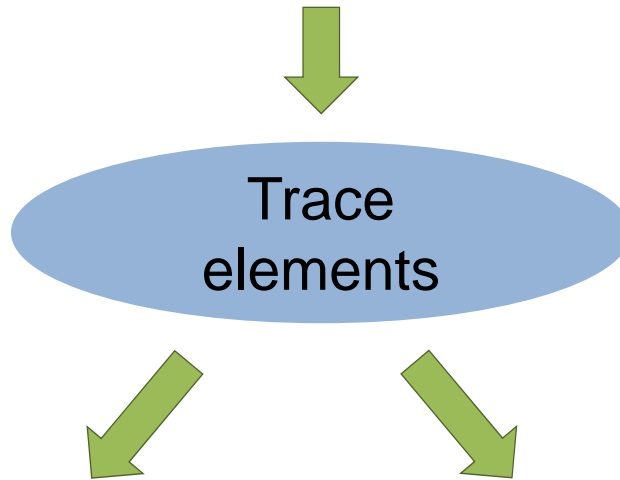
(DGT – for measurements in waters, soils and sediments)





# Monitoring

METHODS



direct measurements in the environment:

- water
- sediment
- suspended matter

bioindicators



*Mytilus galloprovincialis*



*Posidonia oceanica*





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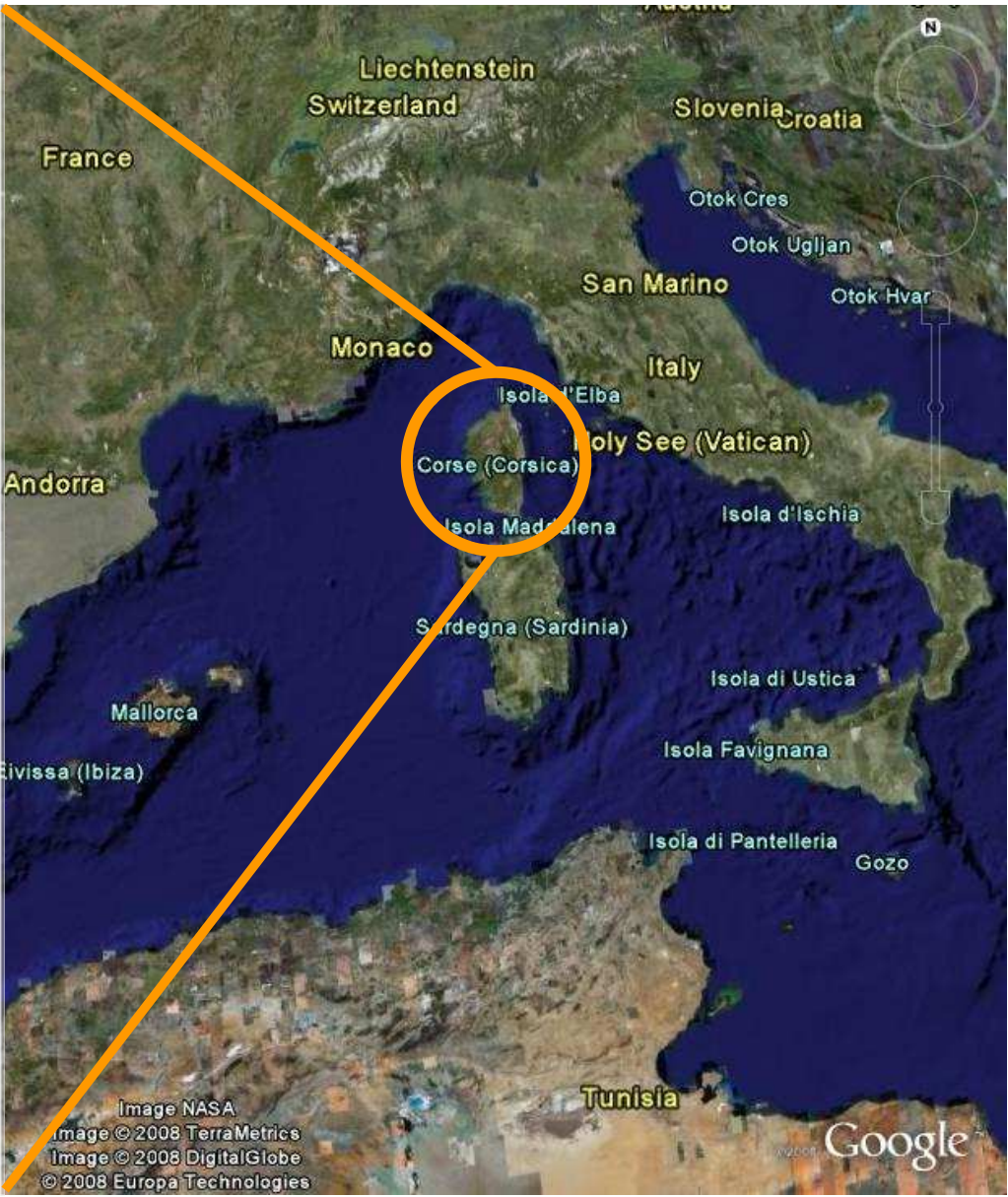


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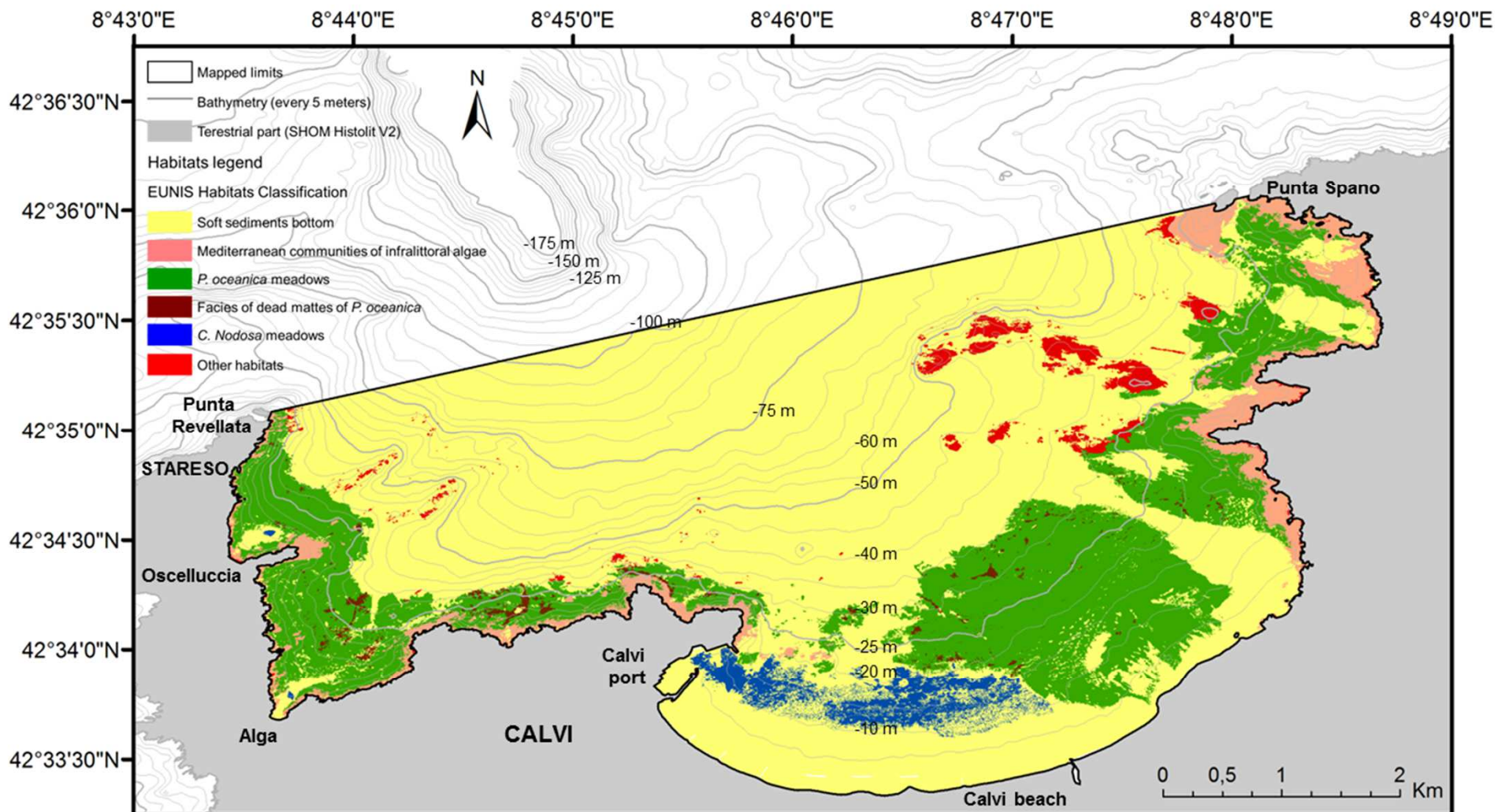


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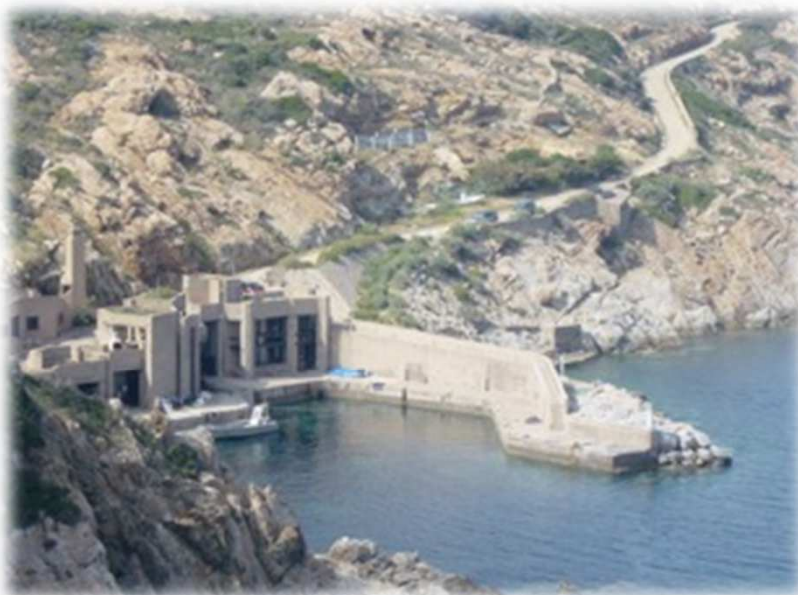
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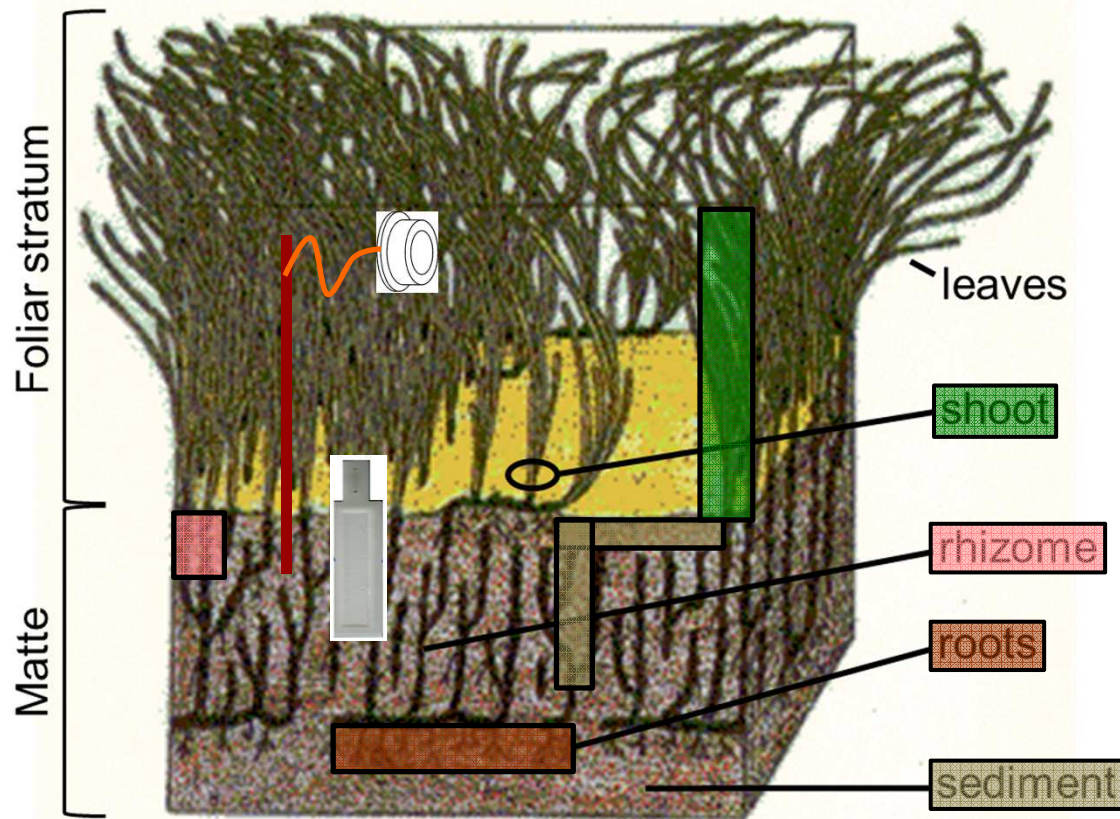
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## *Posidonia oceanica*

- ❖ *Posidonia oceanica*: shoots, rhizomes and roots;
- ❖ Foliar stratum;
- ❖ Matte.



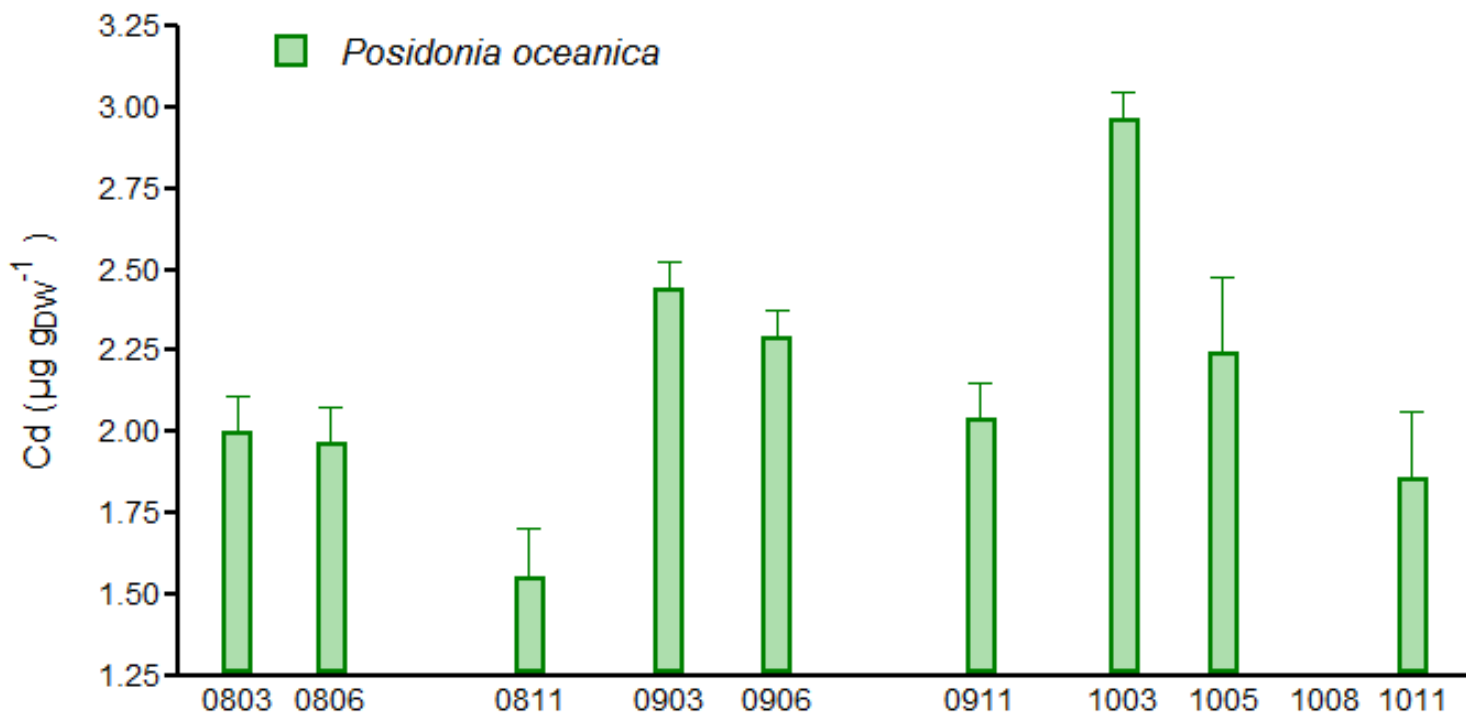




# Seasonal variations of *P. oceanica* [TE]



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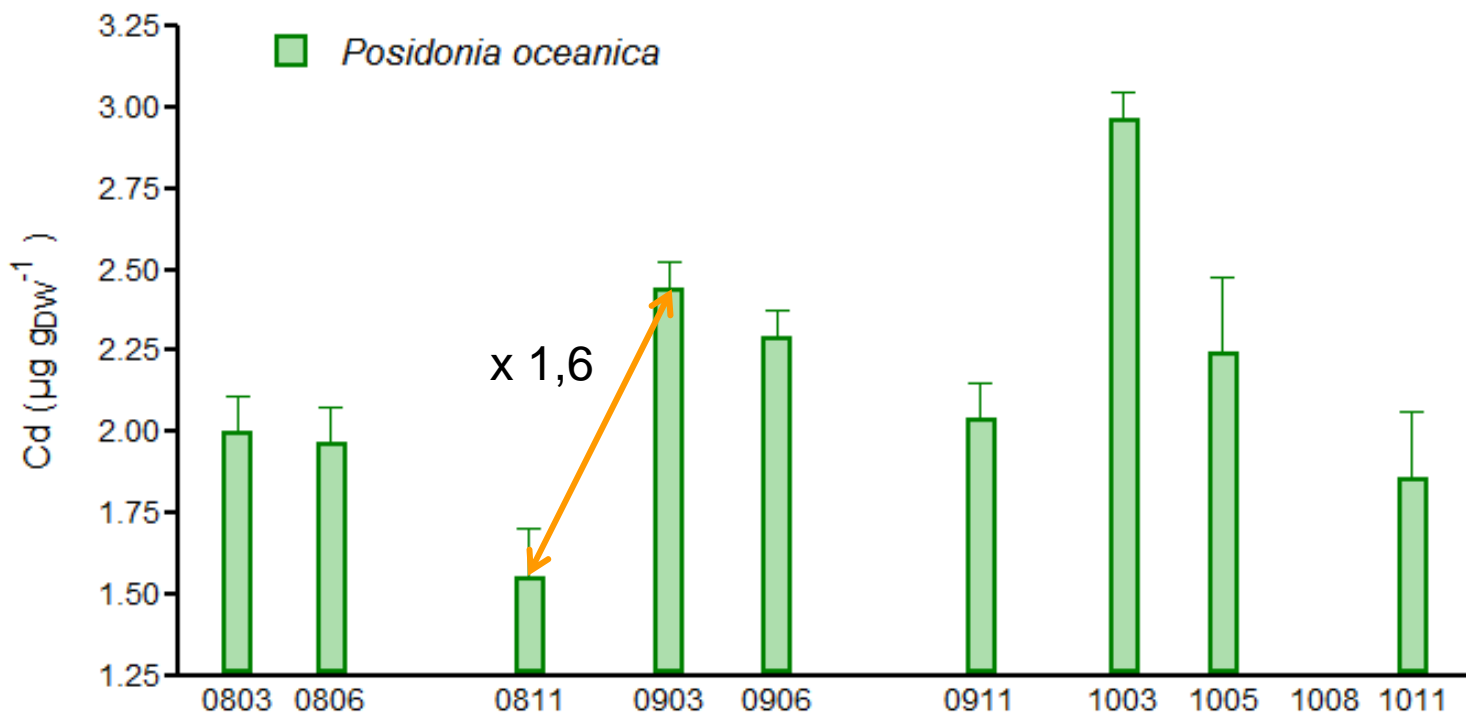




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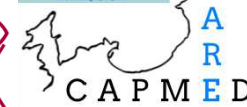


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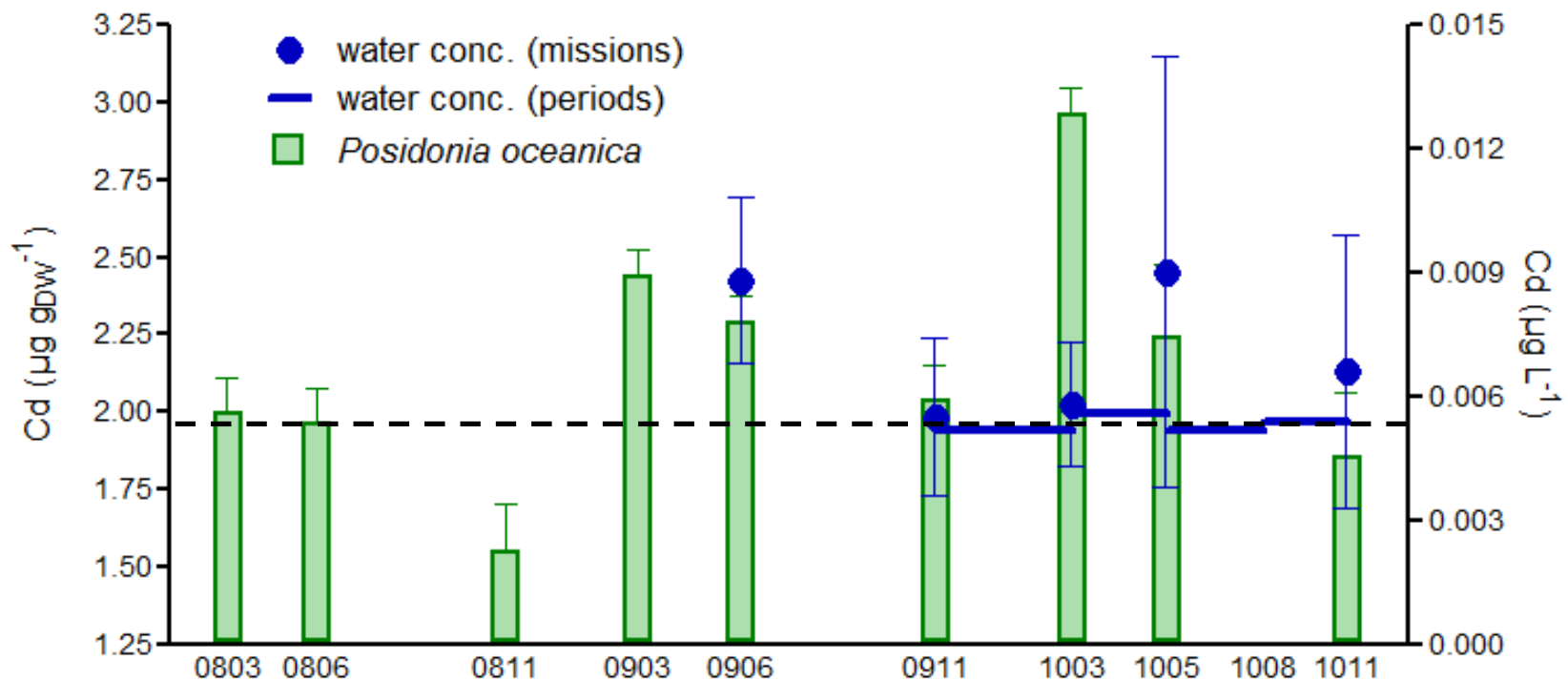


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[Cd] *Posidonia oceanica* :  $10^6$  times > water



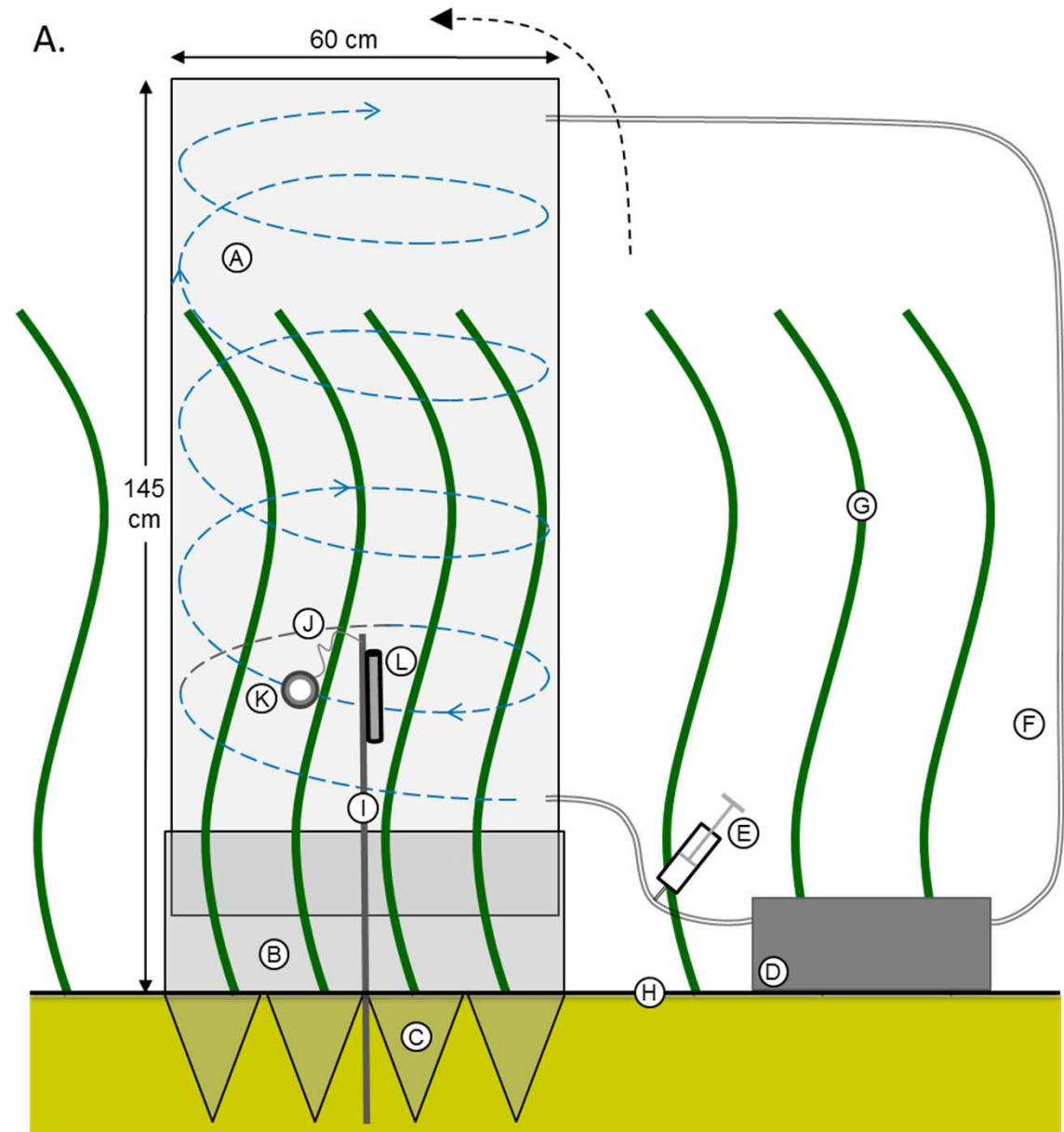


## *In situ* contamination of *P. oceanica*



# A P P L I C A T I O N 2

- 5 days of contamination;
- 15 TEs (Pb, Co, Ag, Al, Mn ...);
- 410L bell-shaped mesocosm;
- Contamination every 12 hours (9am-9pm);
- 15 days of decontamination.









## In situ contamination of *P. oceanica*

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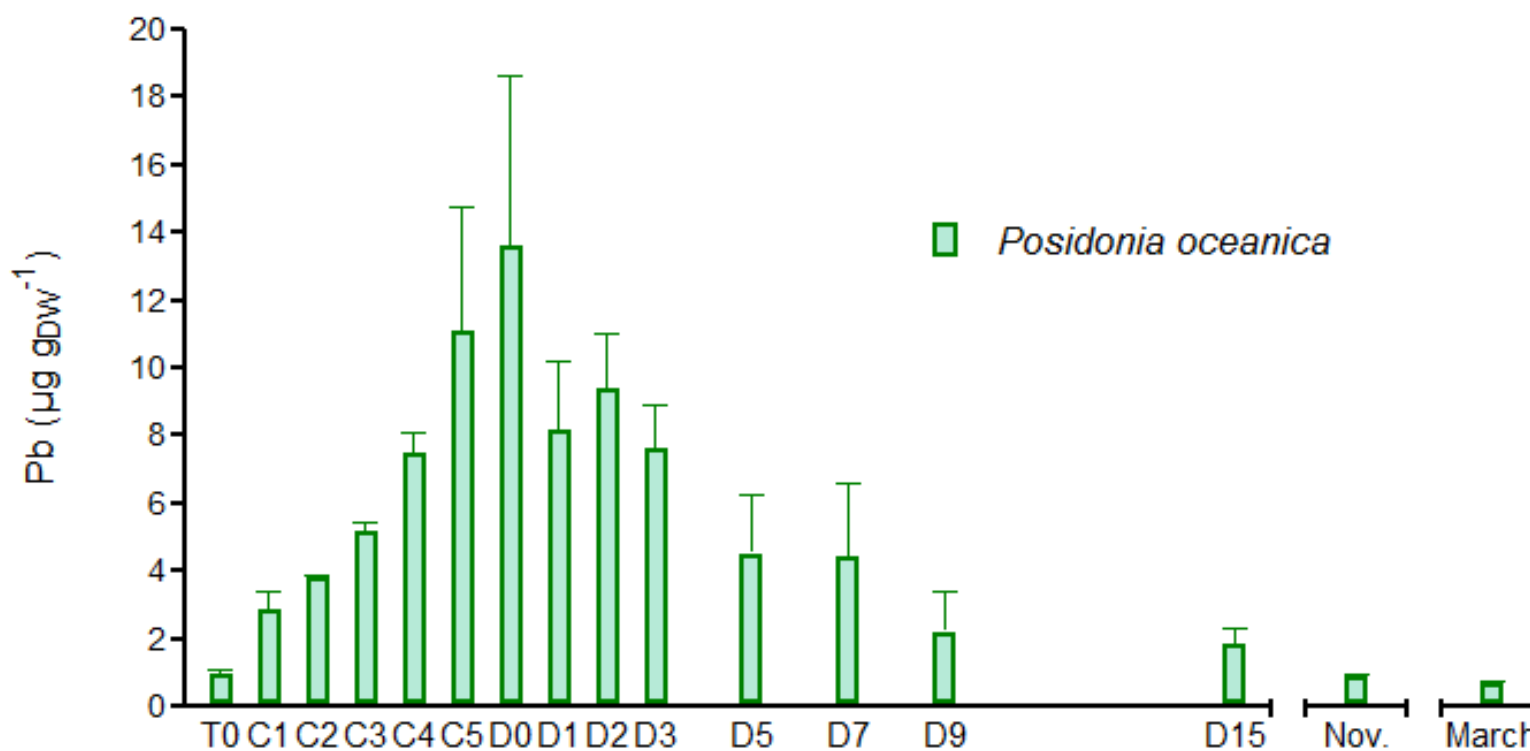
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seawater average [Pb] :  $0.13 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$

contamination level :  $5 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$

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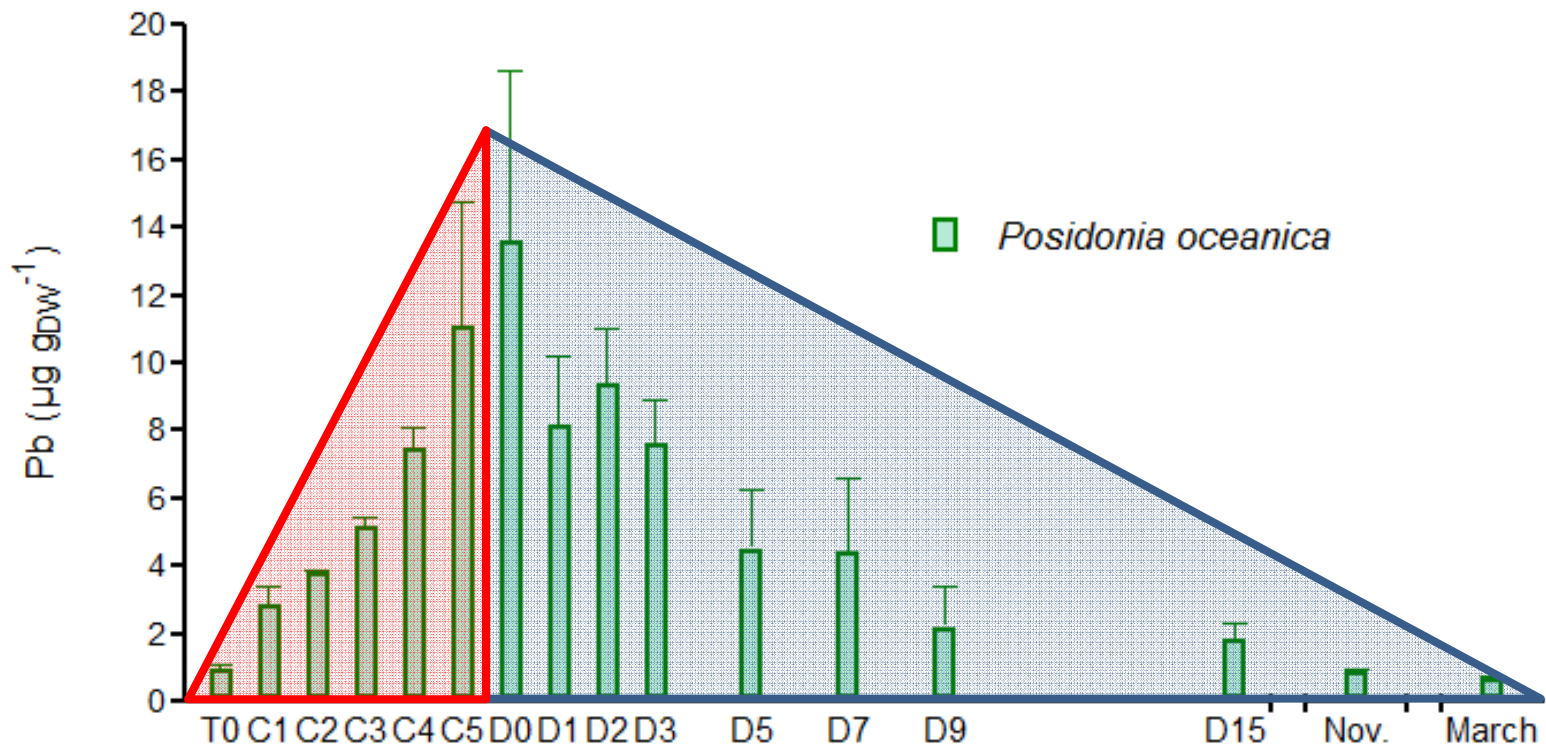
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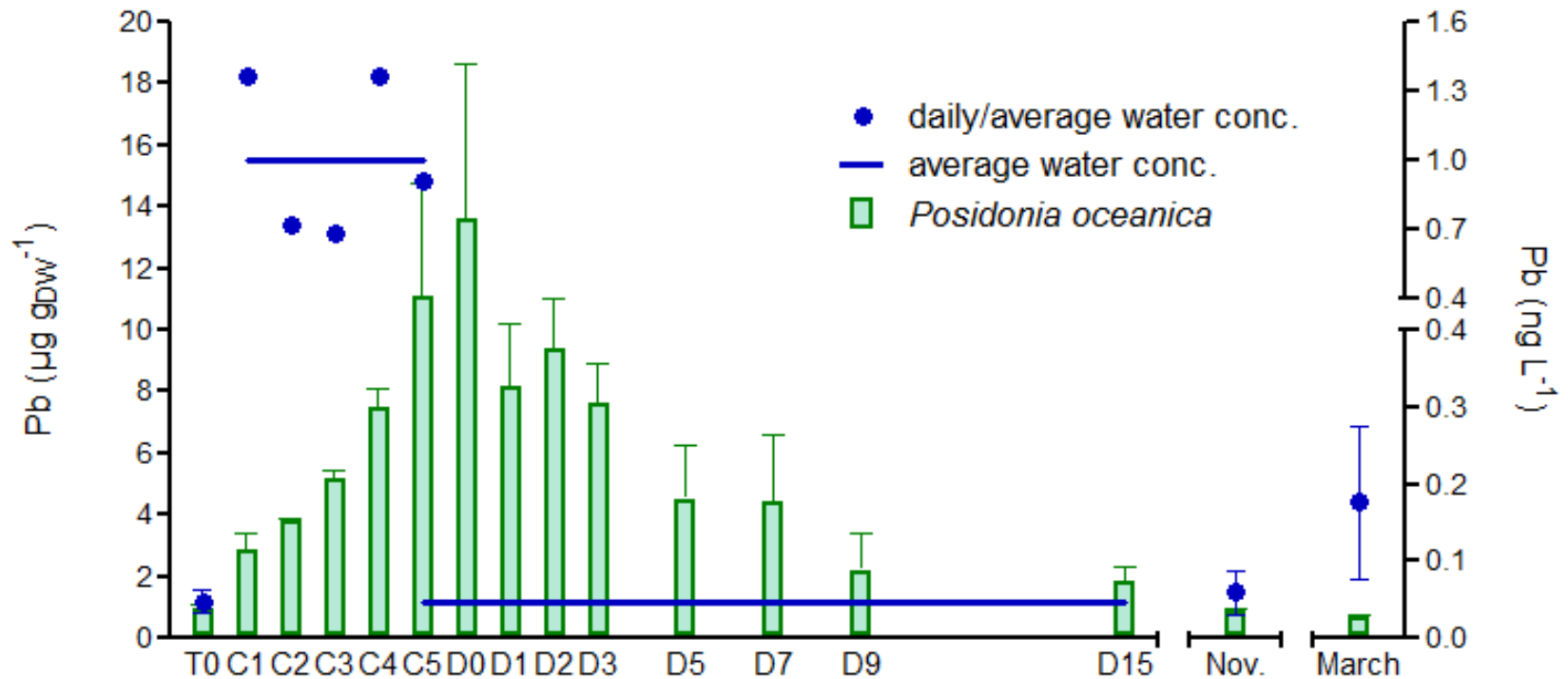
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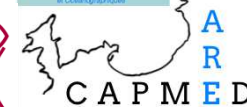


seawater average [Pb] :  $0.05 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$  ( ~~$0.13 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$~~ )

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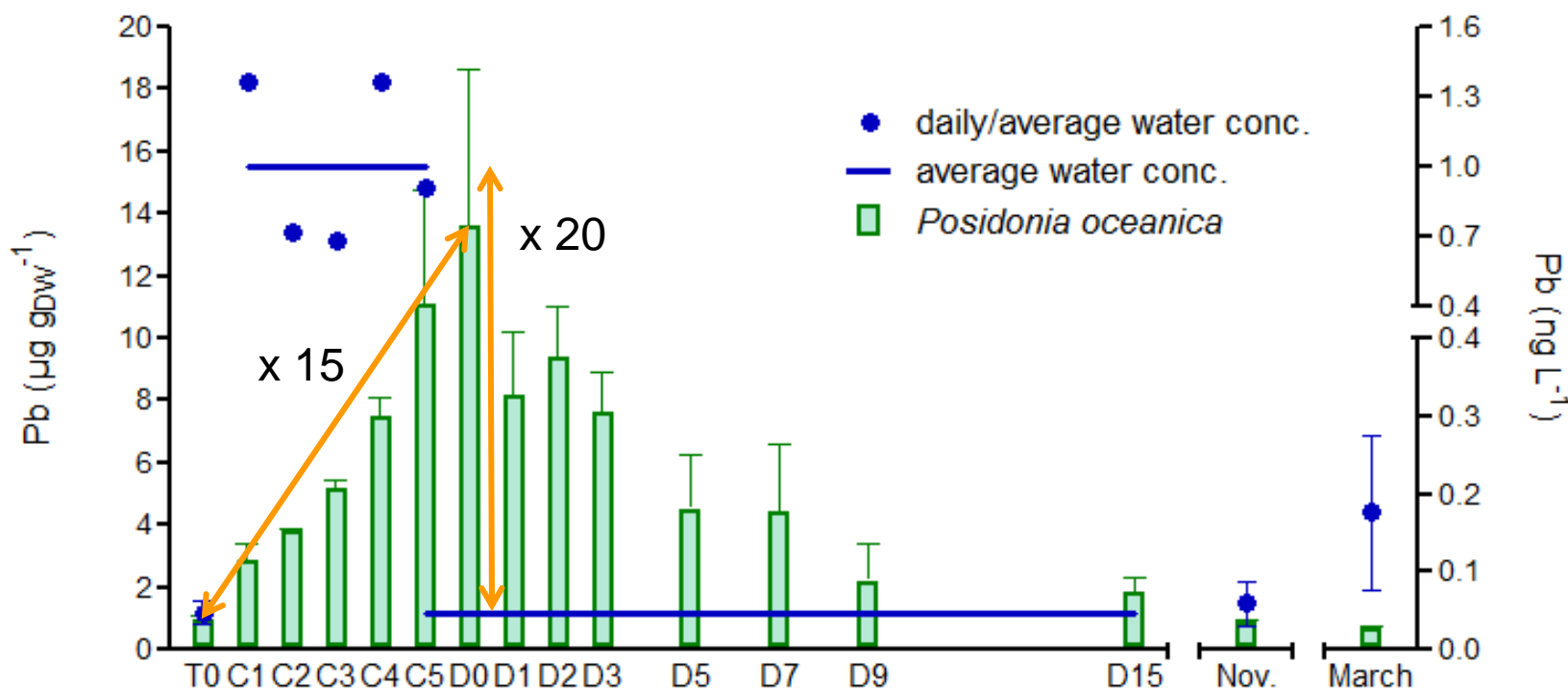


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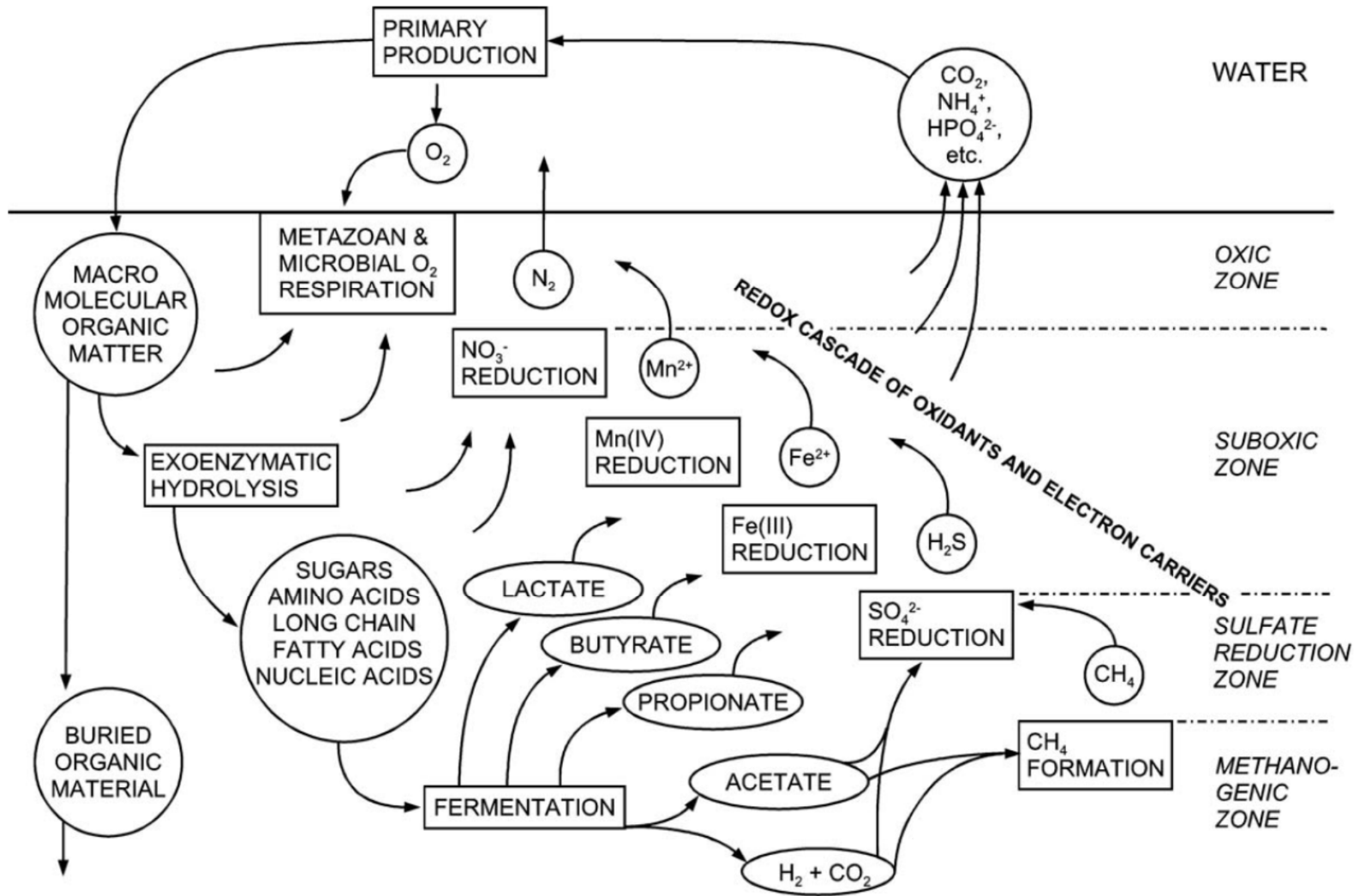




# Porewater TE concentrations



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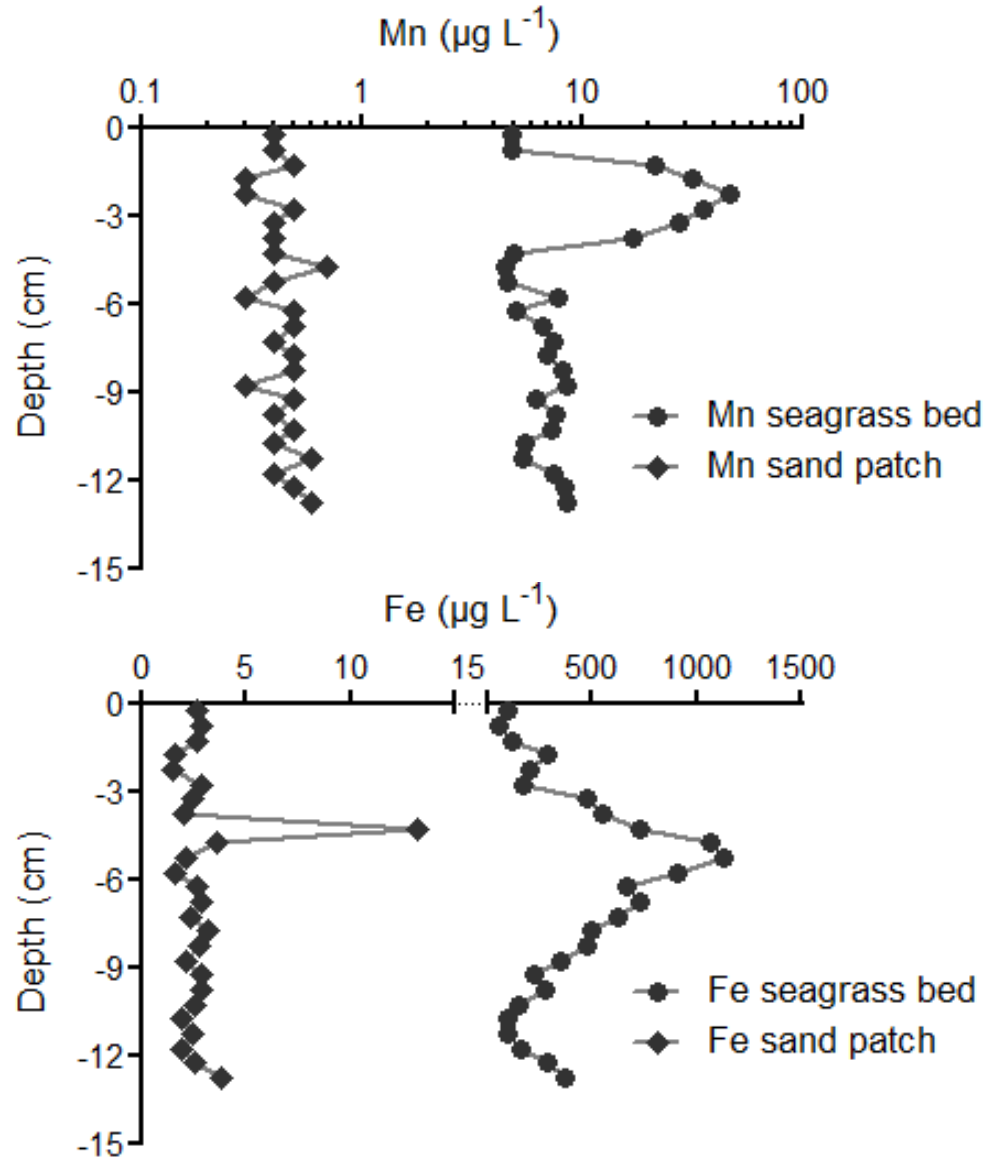
(Jørgensen, 2006)





# Porewater TE concentrations

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Rem.: concentrations in the resine eluats after ICP-MS measurements.



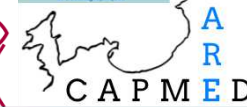


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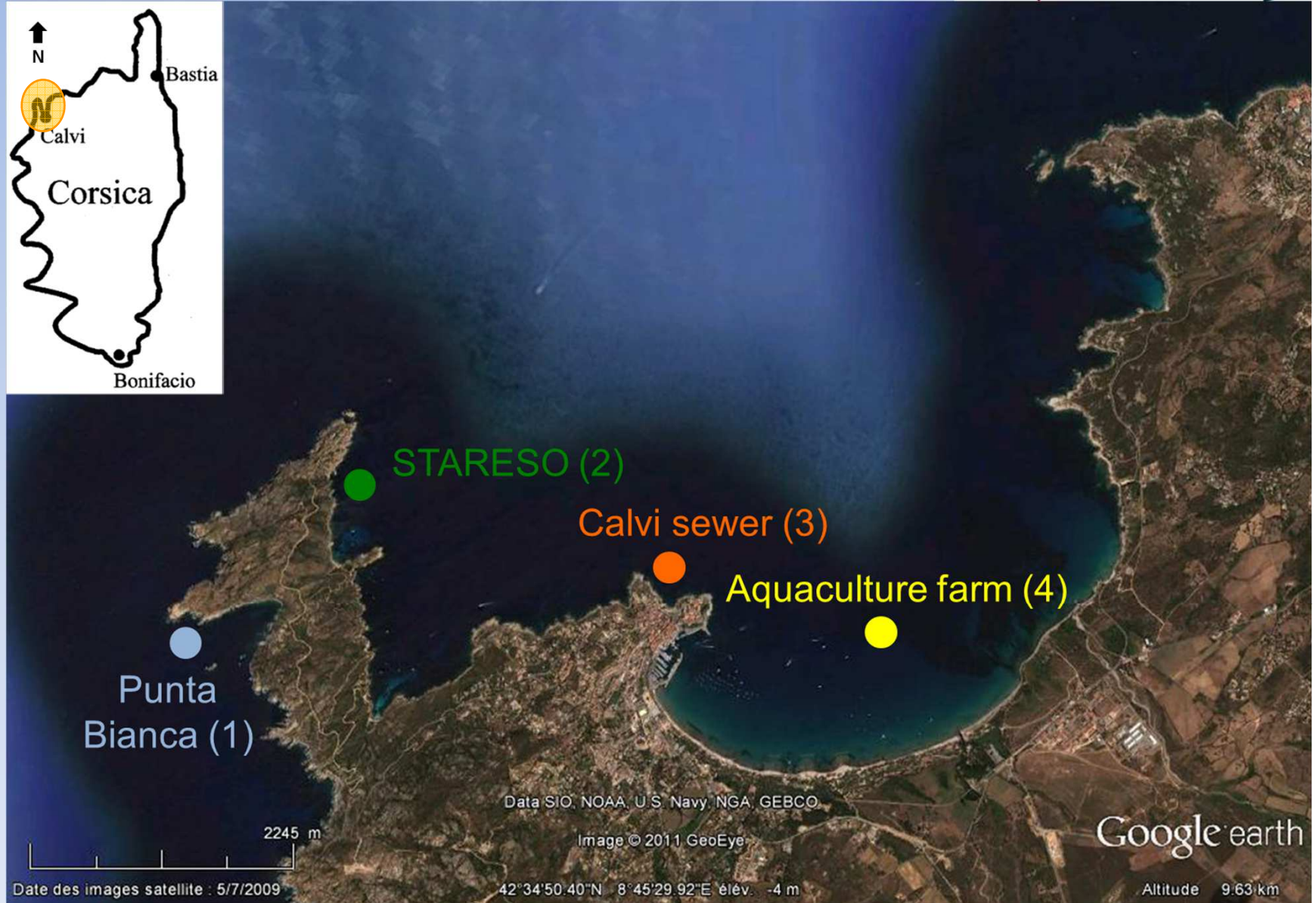
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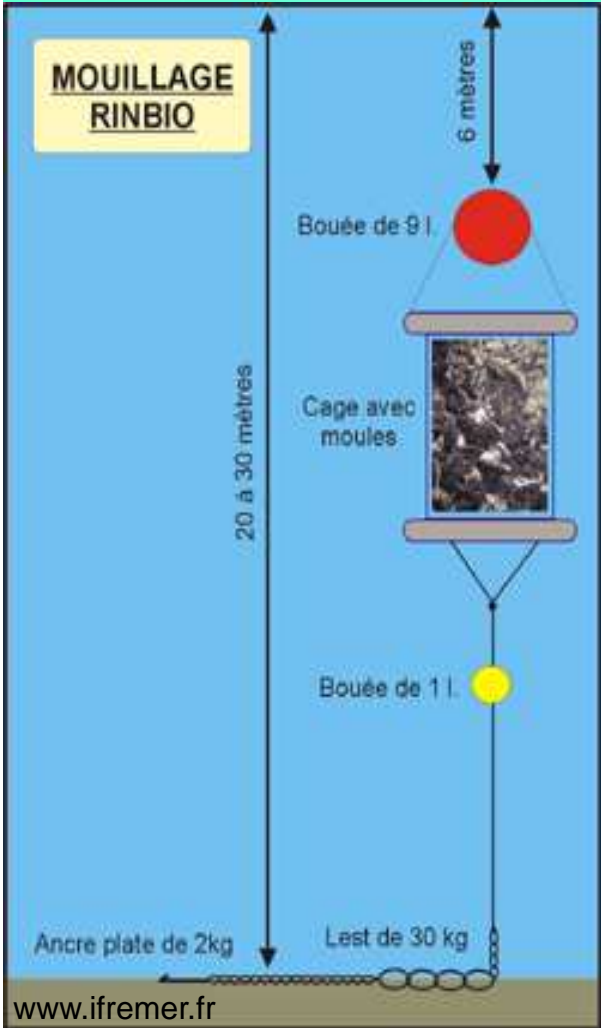


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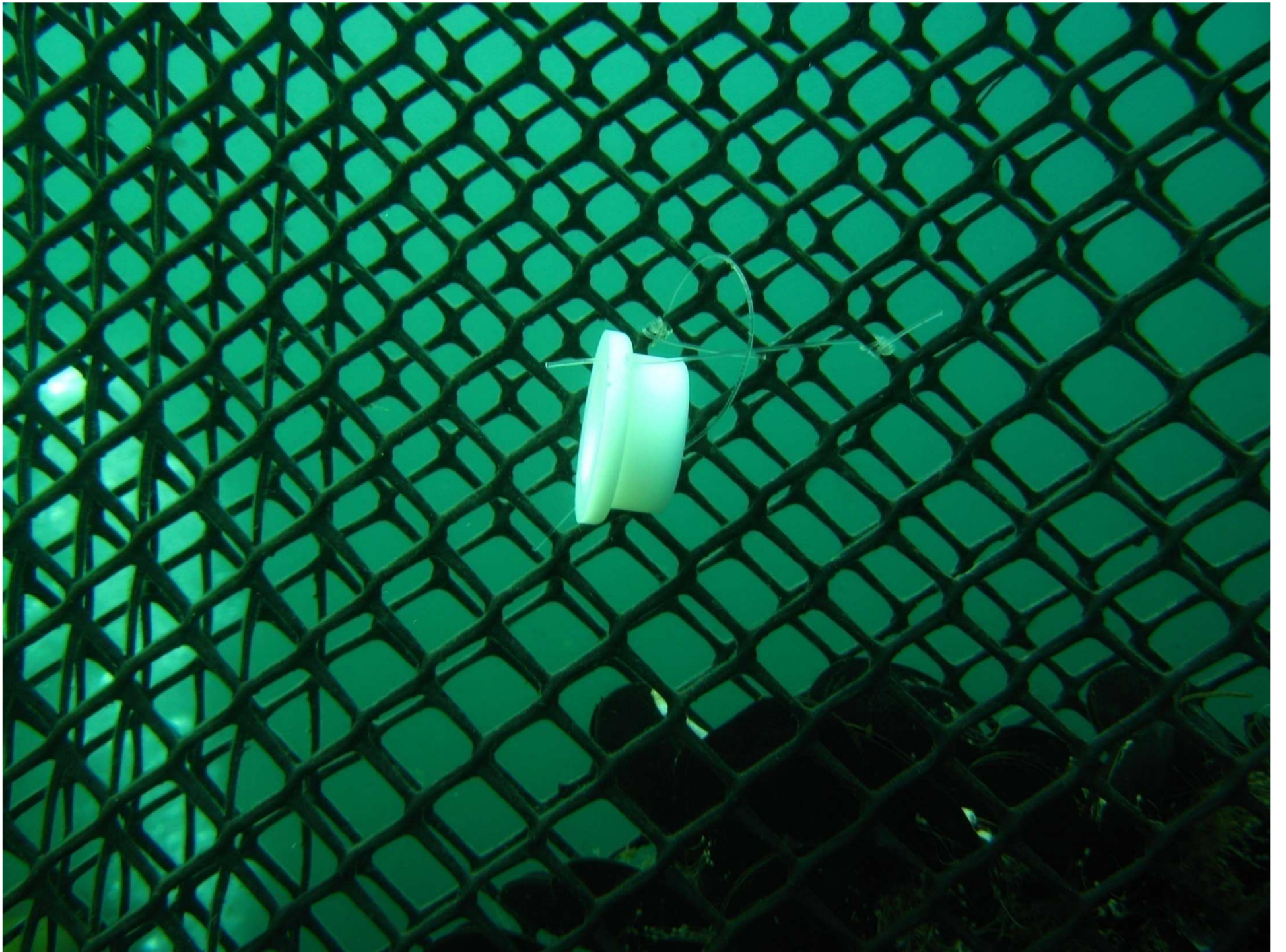


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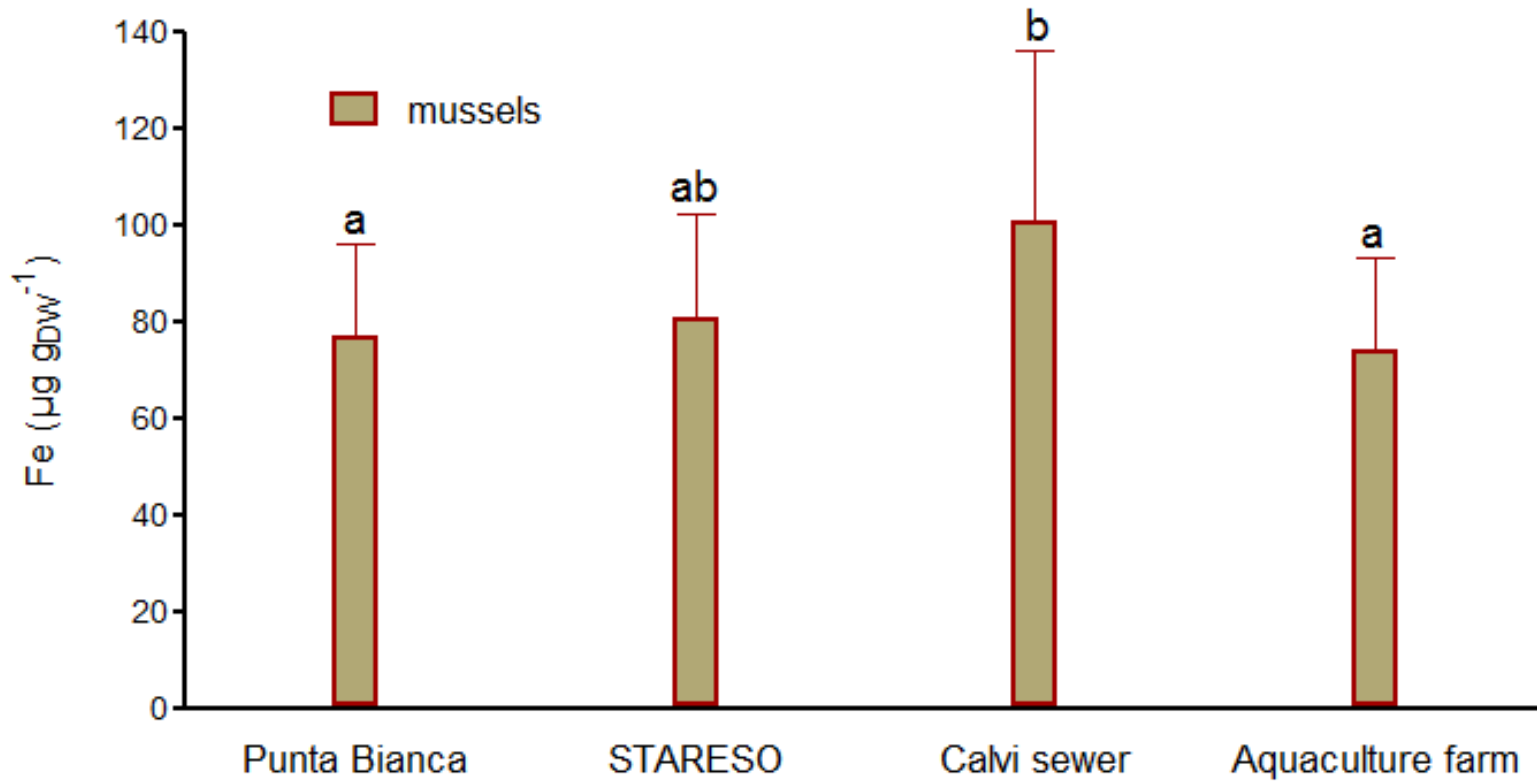


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Calvi sewer / Aquaculture farm: mussels = 1.36

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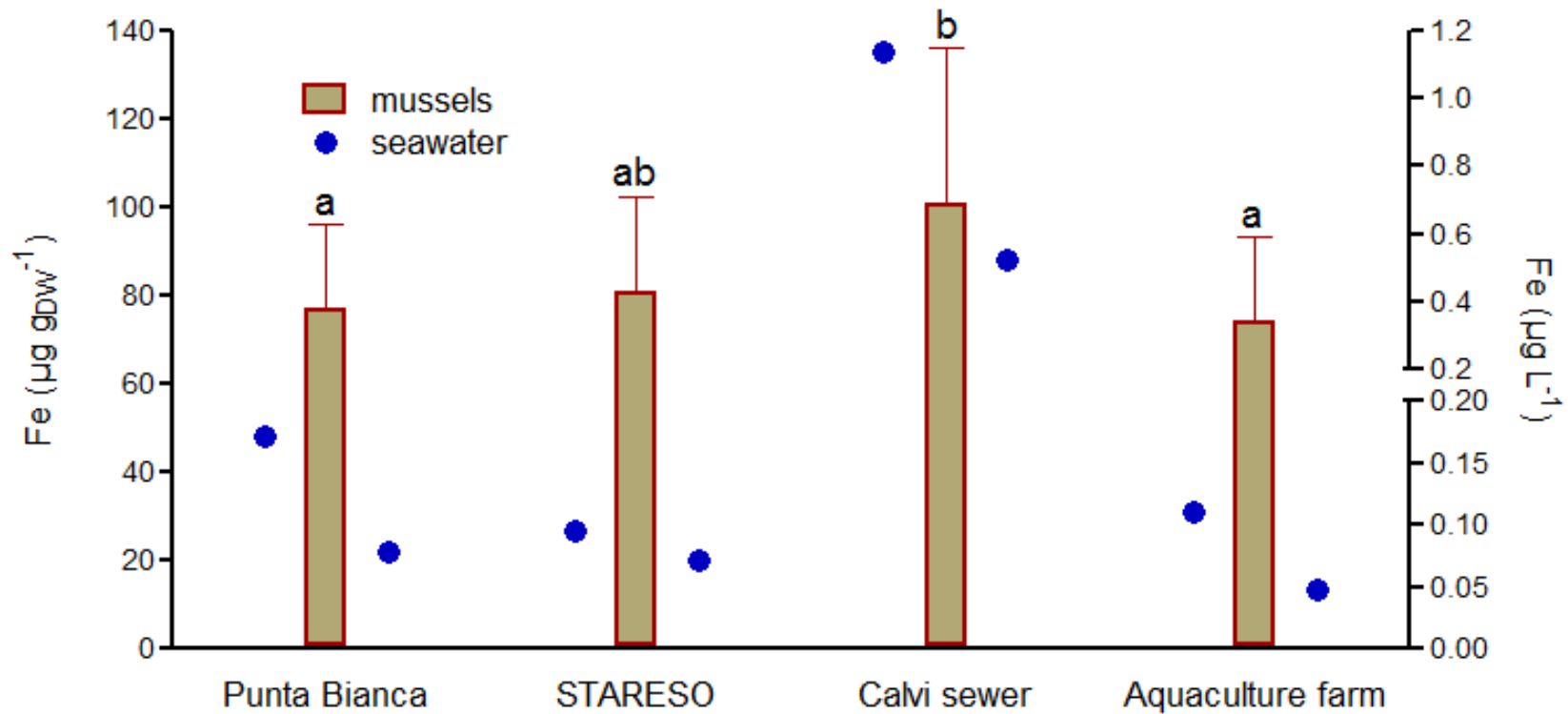


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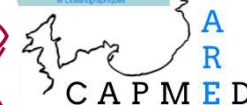
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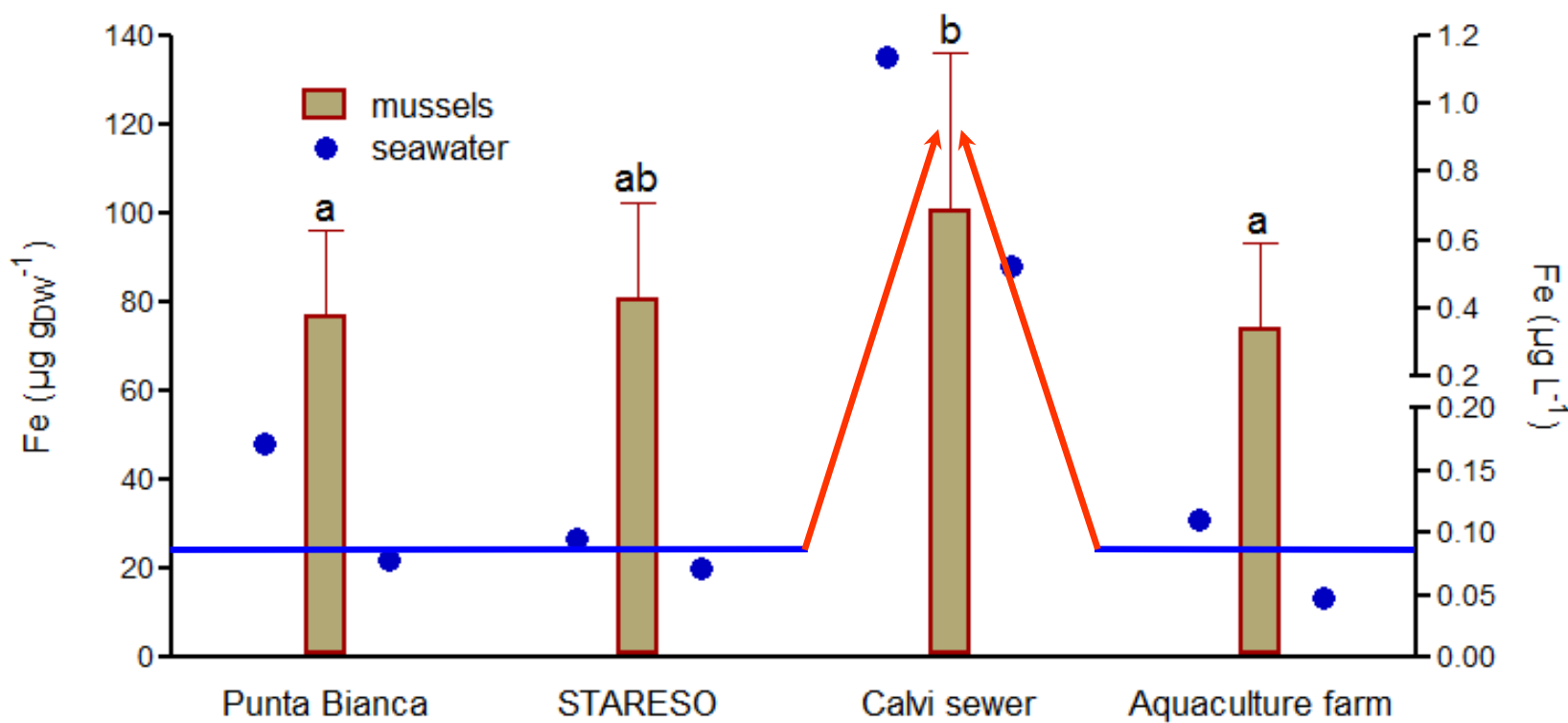




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Calvi sewer / Aquaculture farm: mussels = 1.36  
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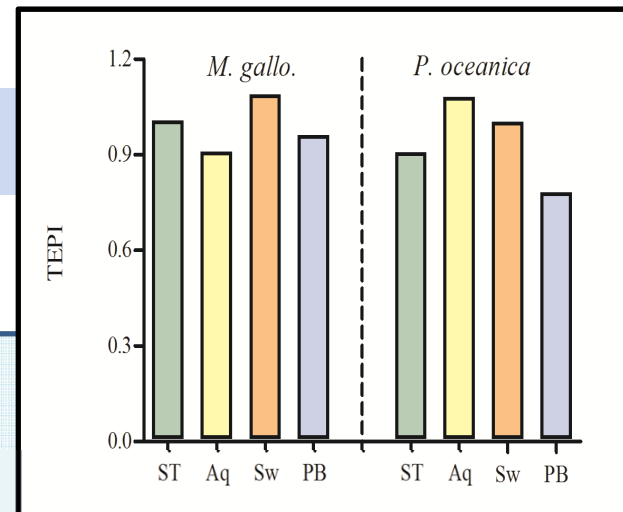
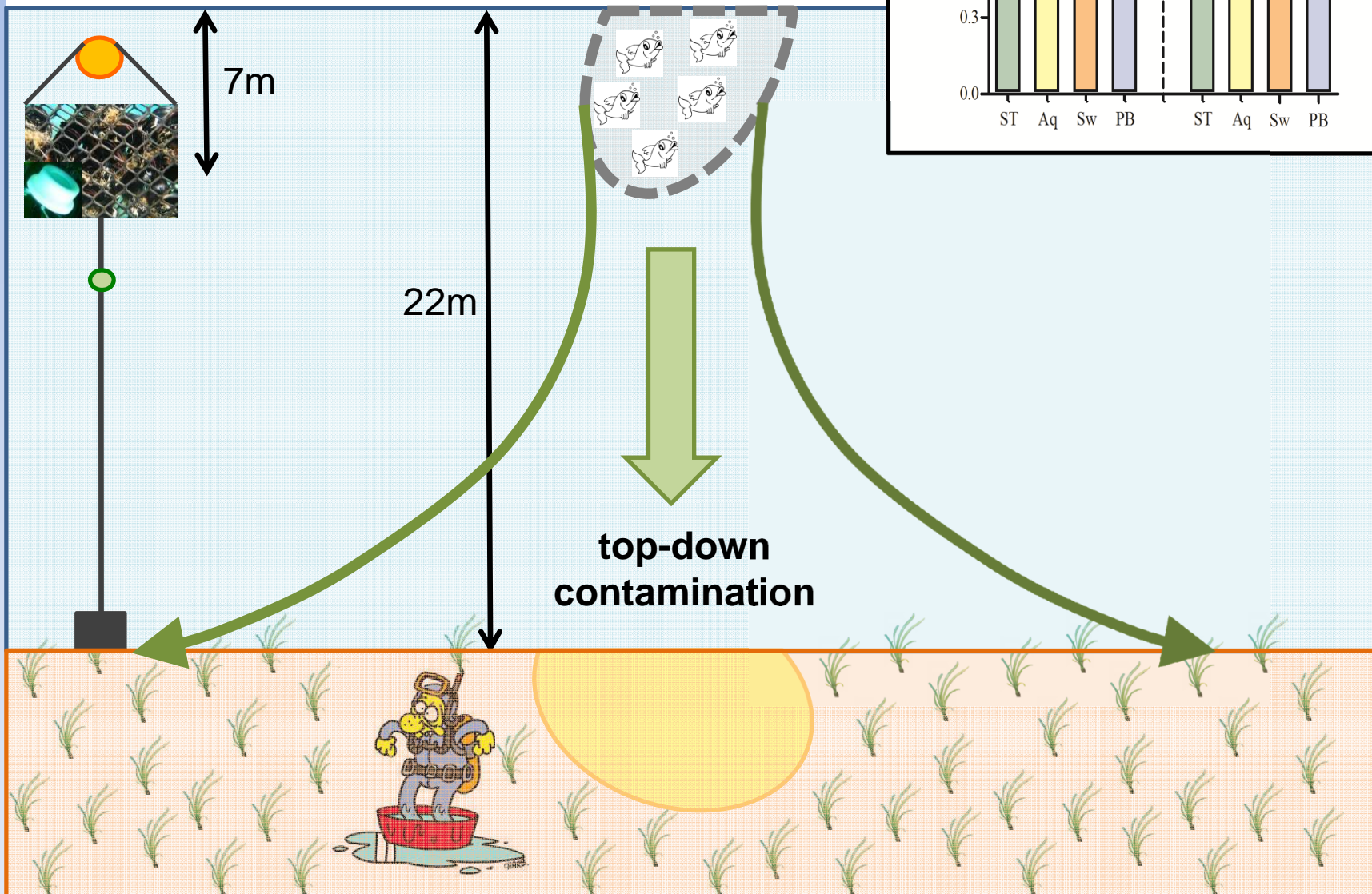


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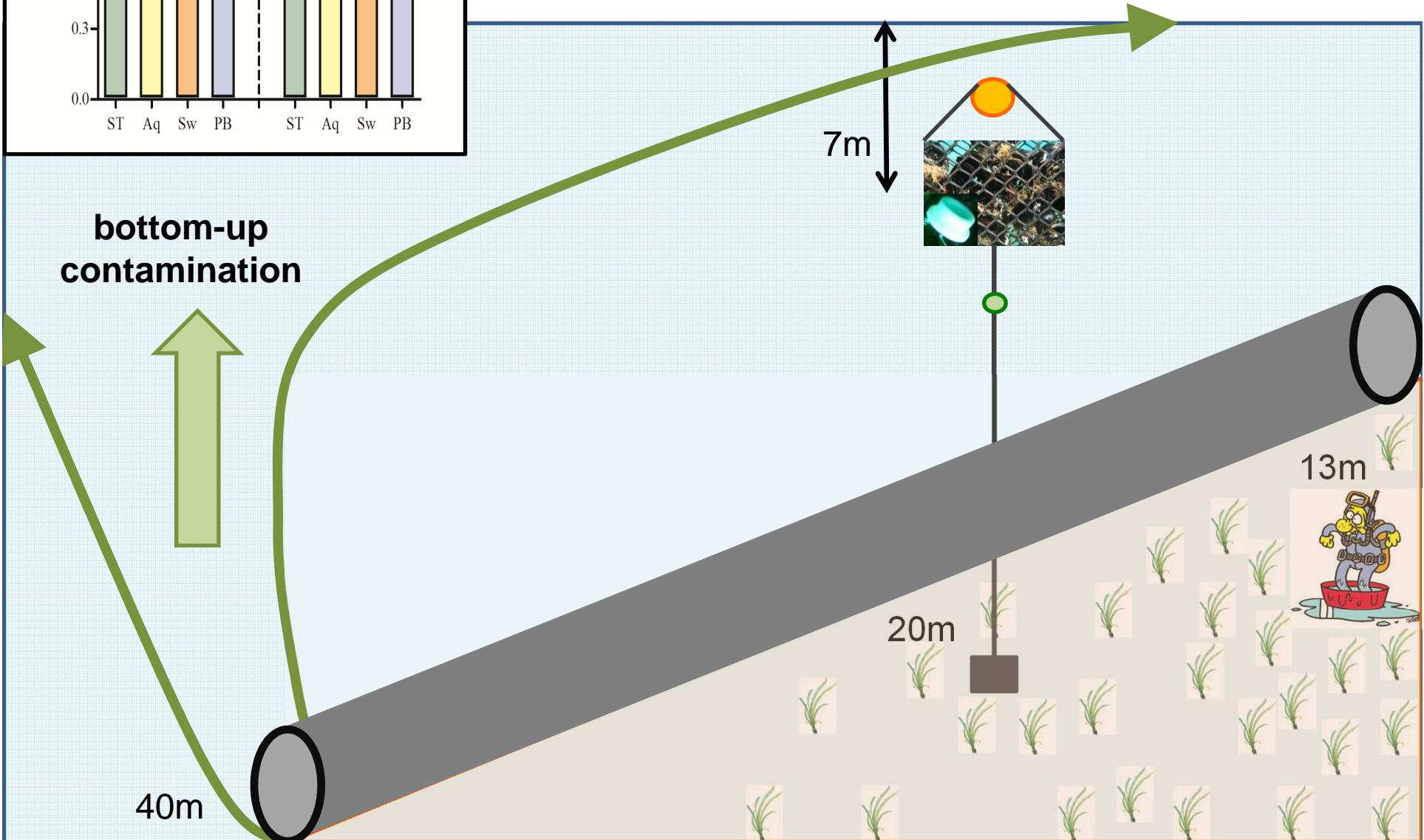
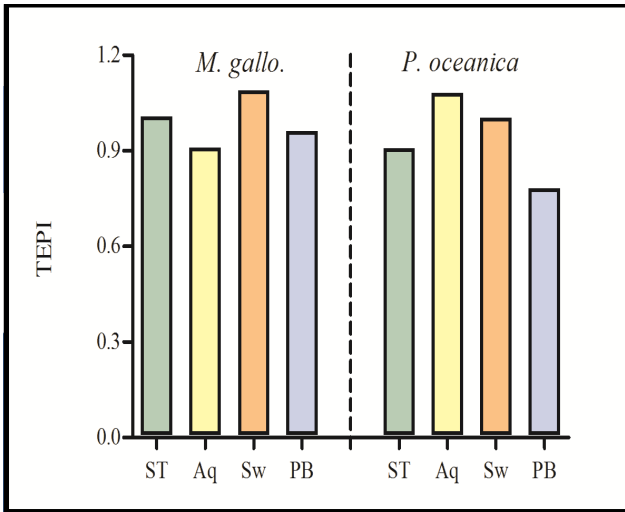
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# Mussel caging: TE bioaccumulation

Calvi sewer / Aquaculture farm: mussels = 1.36





# TE kinetics in caged mussels

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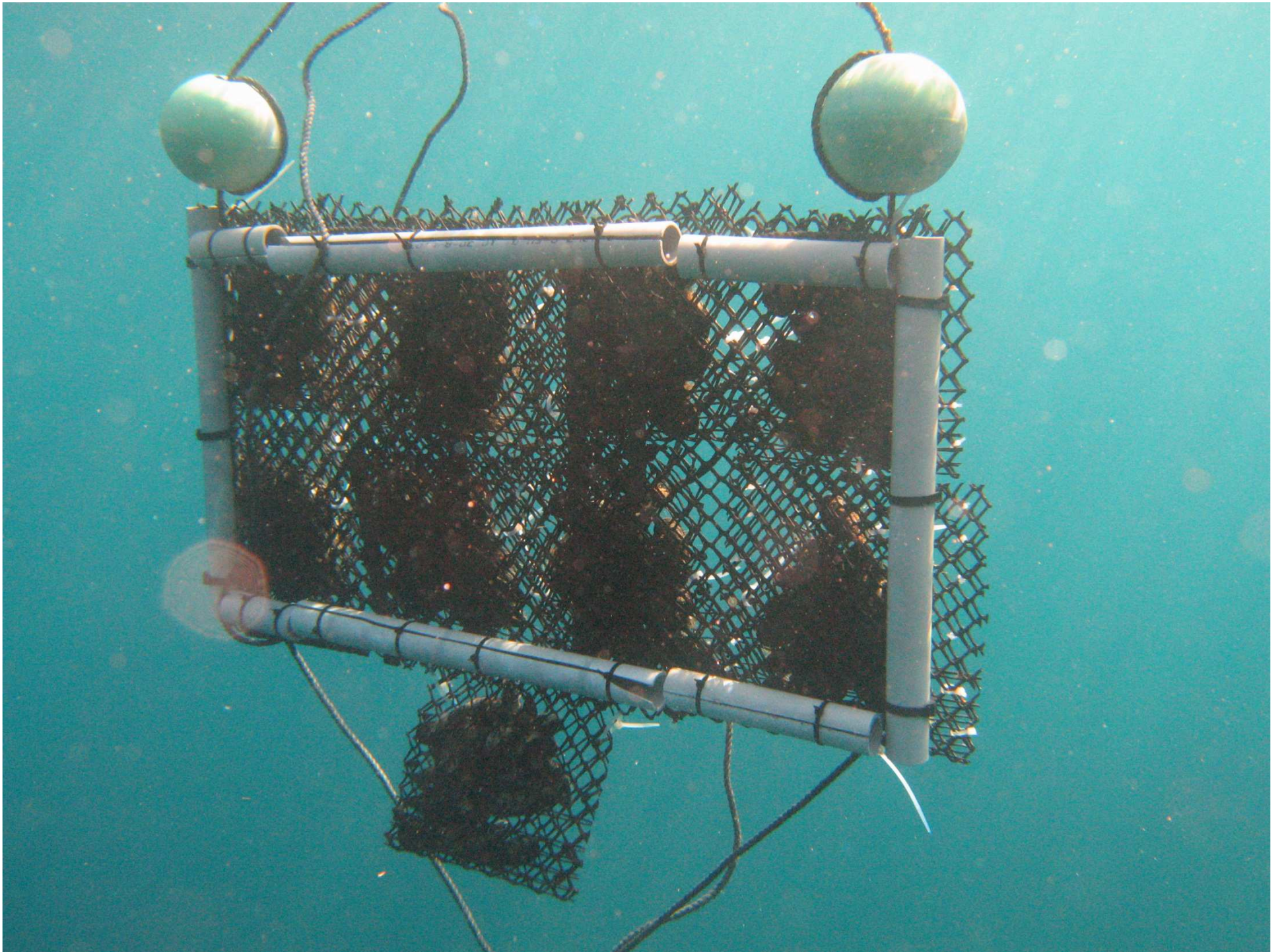
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Altitude 9.63 km



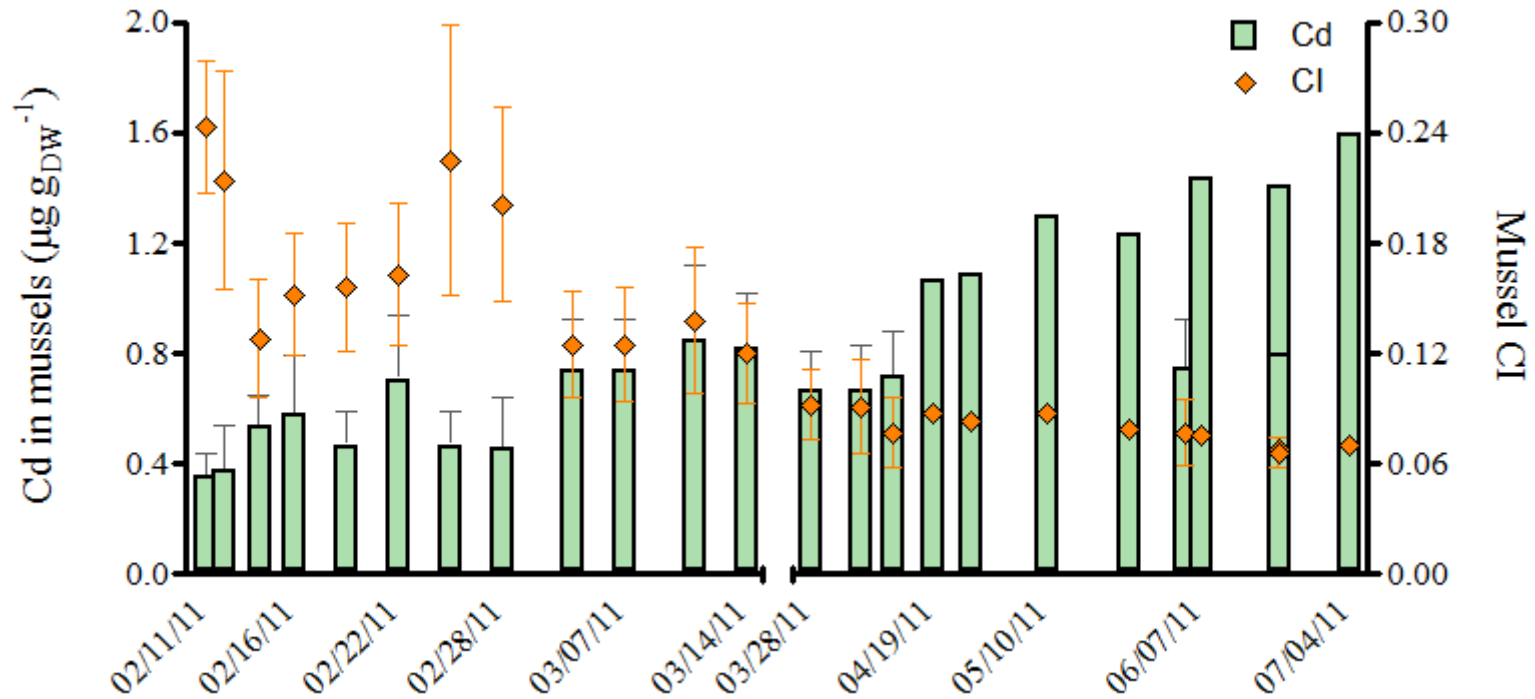




# TE kinetic in caged mussels



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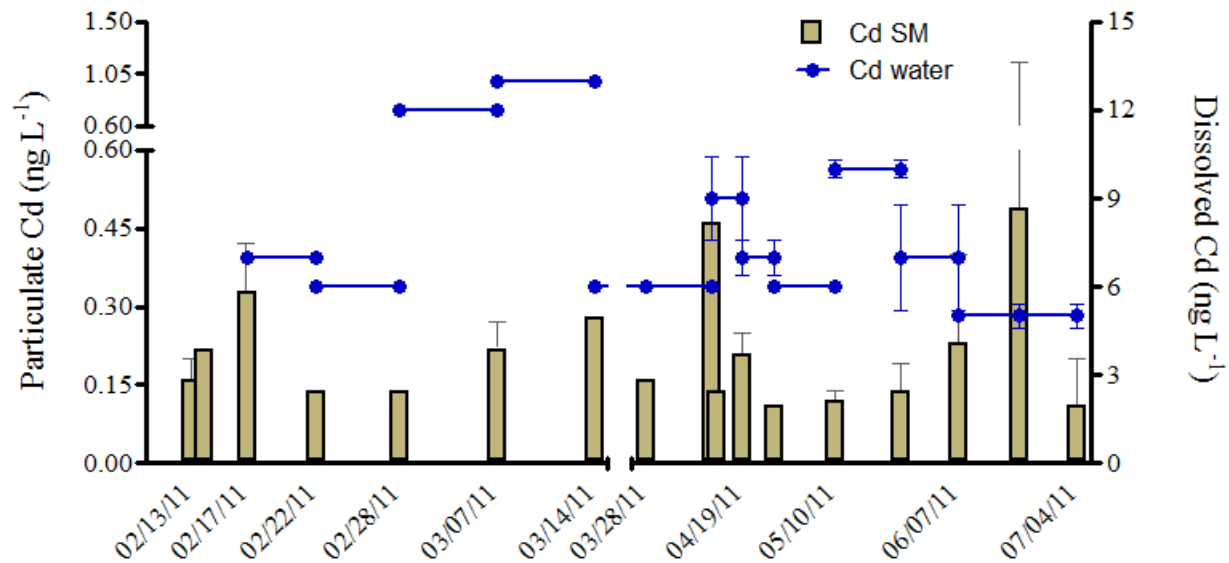
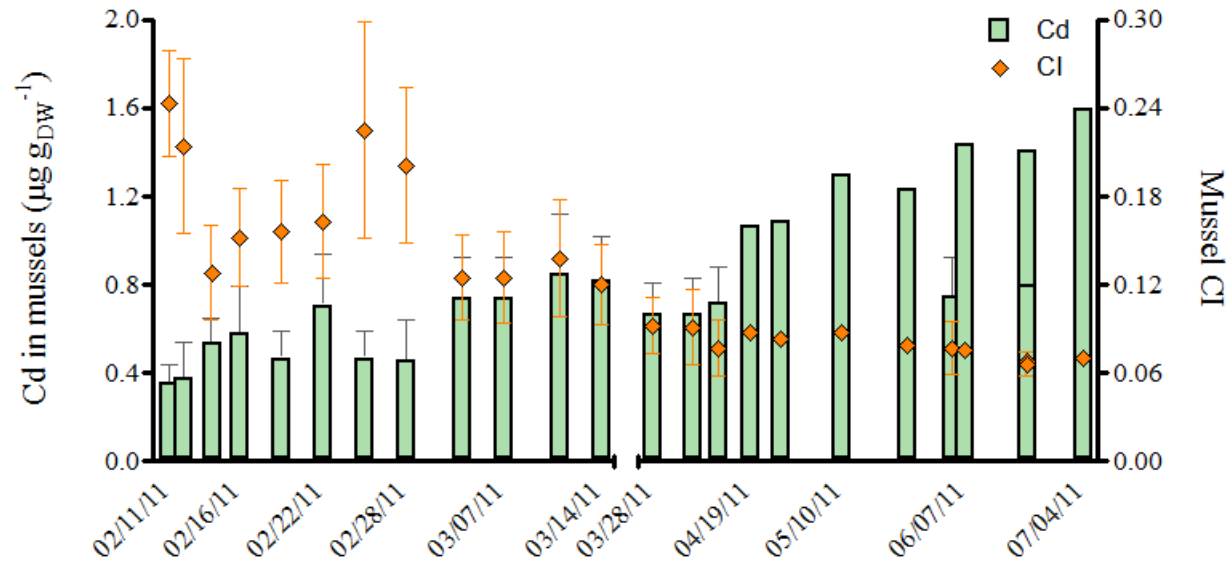




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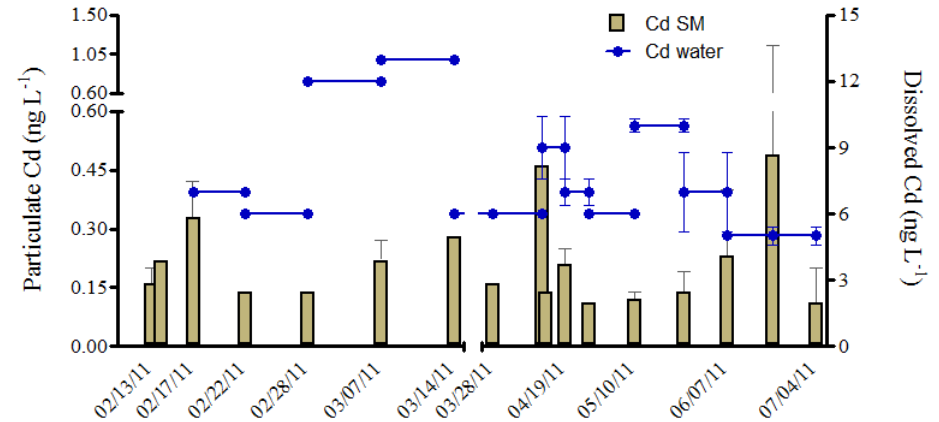
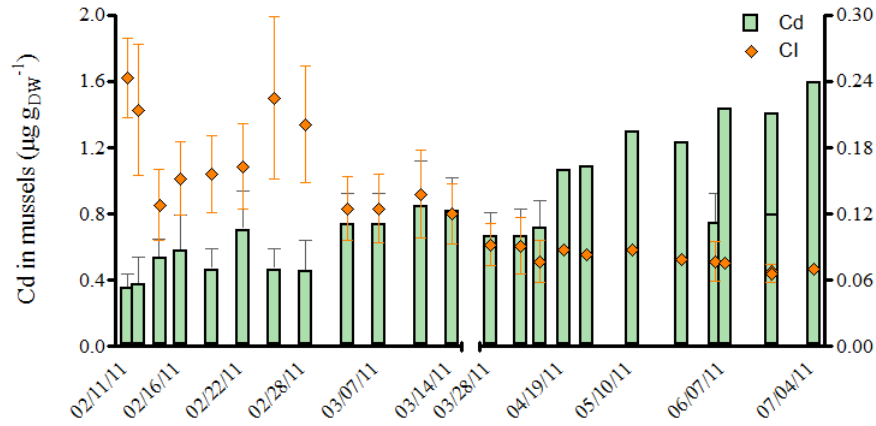


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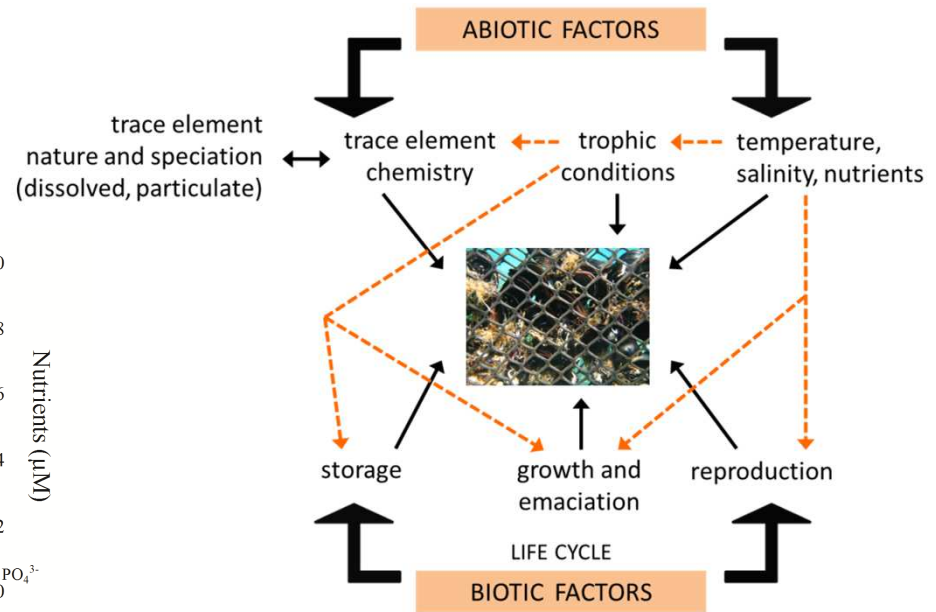
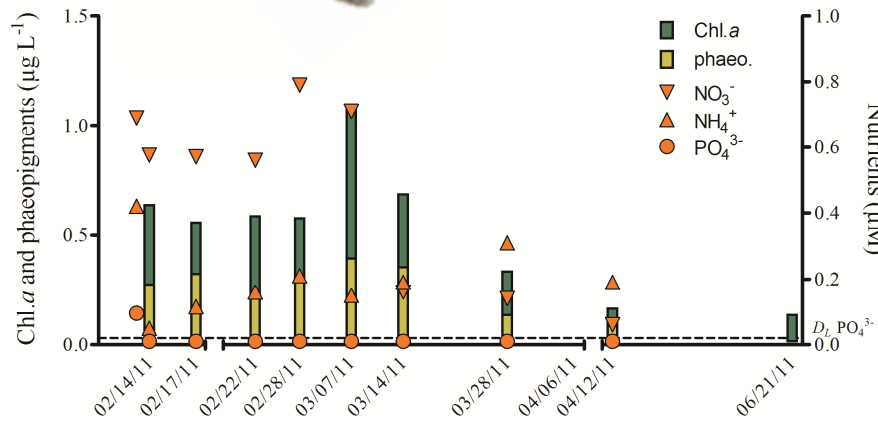




# TE kinetic in caged mussels



what did you expect?



(modified after Casas, 2005)



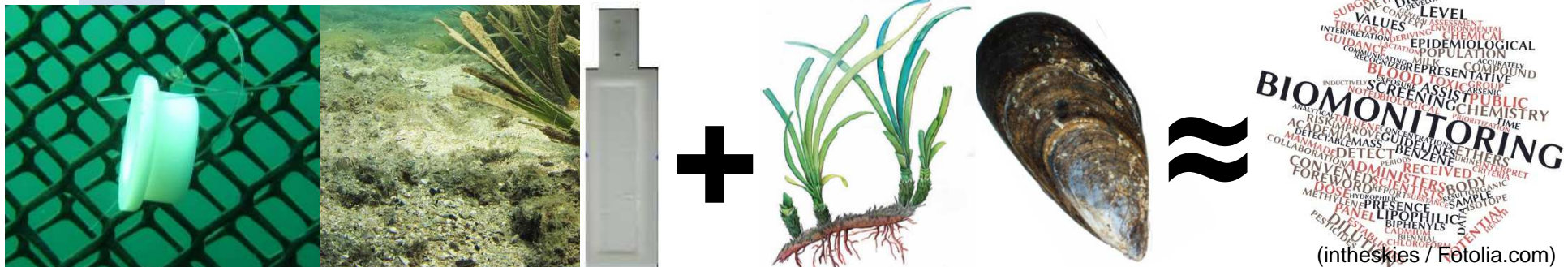
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- Different and complementary information;
- Organism ecology in their chemical environment;
- Average TE concentrations over deployment time;
- Scheduled monitoring campaigns.



Combined use in ecological, ecotoxicological and ecosystemic approaches of marine coastal environment functioning.





# Thank you for your attention

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