

## Why is a global approach needed ?



Processes are occurring at global scales; therefore we need to go beyond local measurements and **observe on global scales in order to understand OA and its drivers correctly.**

We need information and data products that can **inform policy and the public with respect to global status of OA and implications** for overall ecosystem health (status) of the planet.

We need sufficient data and understanding to **develop predictive skills and early warning systems.** This requires coverage at appropriate scales, nesting local observations within global context.



## OA is

a **global condition with local effects**

- We need local through global scale observations **in order to get either correct**
- This issue **demand**s our coordination, networked skill, and open analysis



## Designing GOA-ON



In 2012-2013, two international workshops, with ~100 participants from ~30 countries, defined an approach to build a coordinated, integrated global observing network for ocean acidification:

- *Rationale*
- *Goals*
- *Design*
- *Suite of measurement parameters*
- *Data quality and data distribution strategies*
- *International program integration*

## Data Requirements

### Coral reefs

### Coasts & shelf seas

### Open ocean

Goal 1 OA conditions	Goal 2 Ecosystem response	Goal 3 OA modeling
<b>L1:</b> carbonate-system constraint, T, S, O, fluorescence, radiance <b>L2:</b> nutrients, bio-optical, transport, meteorology, trace metals... <b>L3:</b> capability-specific	<b>L1:</b> biomass of functional groups (phytoplankton, zooplankton & microbes) <b>L2:</b> species; processes incl. growth, grazing & respiration <b>L3:</b> capability-specific	Inputs to models



## GOA-ON defined two data quality objectives:

- **'Climate data'**: of sufficient and defined quality to assess long term trends with defined level of confidence  
*Detection of changes in OA state over multi-decadal timescales*
- **'Weather data'**: of sufficient and defined quality to identify relative spatial patterns and short-term changes  
*Mechanistic interpretation of the ecosystem response to local, immediate OA dynamics*

## GOA-ON requirements:

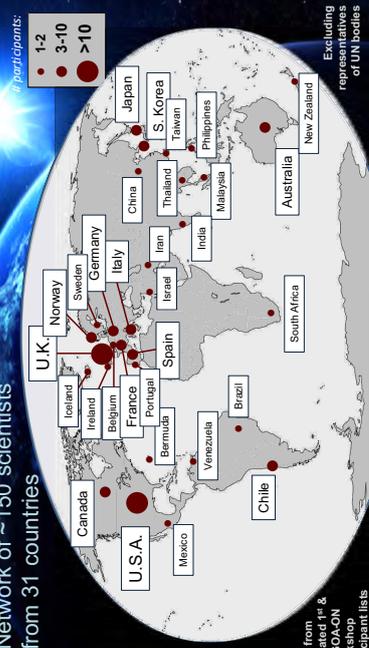
### Capacity for

- Physical infrastructure
- Intellectual infrastructure
- Operations and maintenance
- Data QA/QC
- Analytical and synthesis activities

## GOA-ON Workshops 1 & 2

- Seattle, WA, USA (2012)
- St. Andrews, UK (2013)

Network of ~150 scientists from 31 countries



Data from validated 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> GOA-ON Workshop participant lists

## GOA-ON Workshop 3

- Hobart, TAS, AUS (2016)



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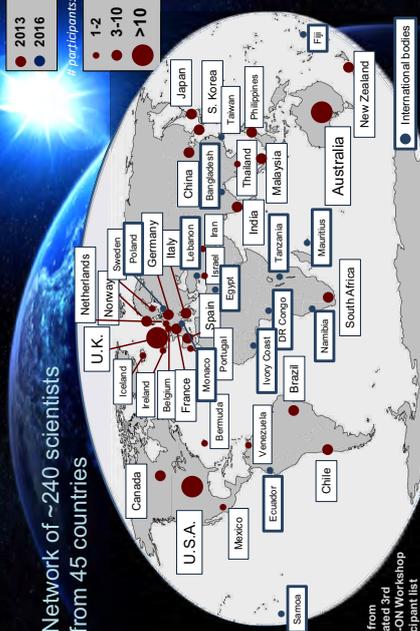


- Connects scientist to scientist
- Provides training opportunities
- Strengthens relationships across countries and continents



## GOA-ON Workshop 3 Hobart, TAS, AUS (2016)

Network of ~240 scientists from 45 countries



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Capacity Building International Centre  
OA-ICC

**CAPACITY BUILDING 2015/16**  
*'Help train tomorrow's experts on ocean acidification'*

Xiamen, Oct 2015

28 participants from 10 Asian countries

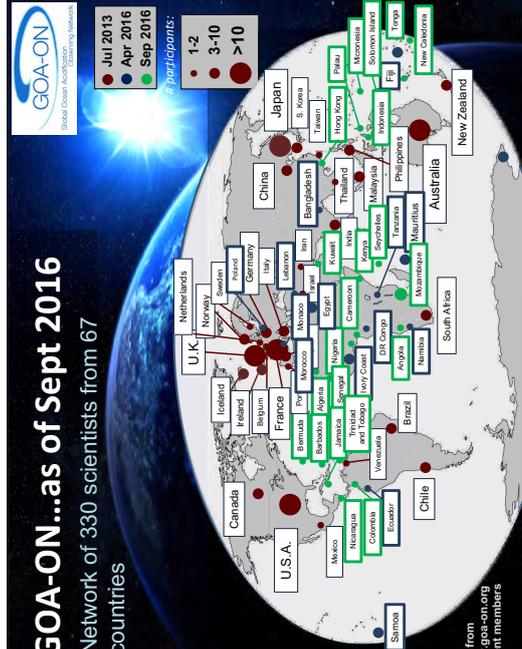
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Cape Town and Inhaca (Mozambique) 36 participants from 17 African countries

'OA-ASIA' 'OA-AFRICA'

## GOA-ON...as of Sept 2016

Network of 330 scientists from 67 countries



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[www.goa-on.org](http://www.goa-on.org)  
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# GOA-ON provides:

**GOA-ON**  
Global Ocean Acidification Observing Network

**Approach and Goals**

Detailed information about the GOA-ON, including its mission, vision, and strategy can be found here: [GOA-ON Mission, Vision, and Strategy](#)

**GOA-ON high level goals:**

- Observe status and spatial / temporal / seasonal variability of ocean acidification
- Assess the general ability of response to ocean acidification
- Enable forecasting / prediction of OA conditions

**GOA-ON.org**

Real time Data from participating platforms

**What's New**

- GOA-ON releases a new [Data Call](#)
- The GOA-ON interactive map [has been updated](#)
- GOA-ON has been awarded a grant from the National Science Foundation
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**An International Effort**

See how GOA-ON has grown!

**Network members:** 25 countries from 10 continents are currently participating in the GOA-ON. The network is growing rapidly and we are currently accepting new participants to participate in the GOA-ON. For more information on how to join the network, please visit [GOA-ON.org](#) or contact us at [info@goa-on.org](mailto:info@goa-on.org).

**Newsletters / Workshops / Activities**

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# The GOA-ON interactive data portal

**GOA-ON**  
Global Ocean Acidification Observing Network

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Chimik K1 Lagoon Mooring Details

Observations

- Data Updated: 13 Sep 2016 17:17 PDT Provider: PMEL-CO2
- ATMOSPHERIC

Details

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pH (0.8 m)	7.4
Salinity (0.8 m)	34.1 PSU
Water Temperature (0.8 m)	30.6 °C

Link

Featuring global OA data, asset inventory, metadata, data synthesis products, etc.

# Outcomes from GOA-ON:

Globally distributed, high quality data, near-real-time data, and data synthesis products that:

- Facilitate research (new knowledge) on OA
- Communicate status of OA and biological response
- Enable forecasting / prediction of OA conditions

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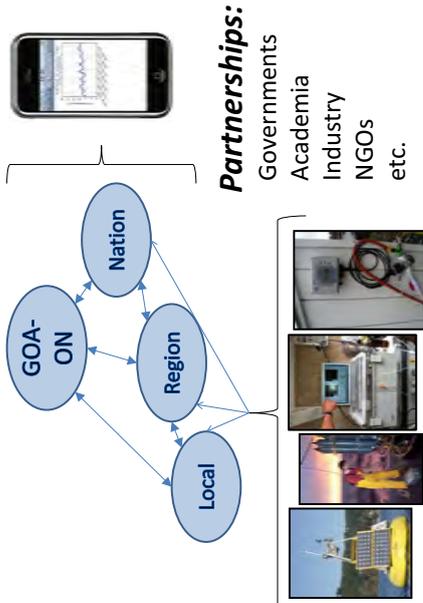
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pH (CO2-enriched) - CO2 Water

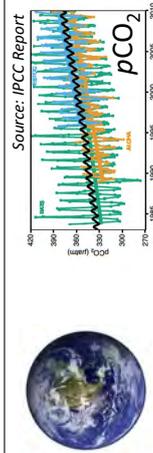
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## Integration of local through global



## End-uses of GOA-ON information:

- International policy including carbon emission policies
- Food security and livelihoods
  - Fisheries
  - Shellfish aquaculture
  - Coral reefs
- Shore protection, tsunami protection from coral reefs
- Cultural identity
- Tourism



**OA is a global condition with local effects**



Session 1-1

## **“The Status of Ocean Acidification in the Subtropical Pacific Region”**

**Chen-Tung Arthur Chen**

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Professor Chen has been a Professor of the Department of Oceanography since 1984. He has sat on numerous international committees, including the International Geosphere-Biosphere Programme, the IGBP/IHDP/WCRP/DIVERSITAS GCP, MAIRS, SCOR and WOCE. He also served as one of the executives of the JGOFS SSC between 1992–1995. Just prior to that, he had helped to form the Joint JGOFS/LOICZ Marginal Seas Task Team in 1991, and served as its chairman until 1995.

Prof. Chen is at present an associate editor of *Mar. Chem.* (since 1993), *Cont. Shelf Res.* (Since Oct. 2016), *Acta Oceanol. Sin.* (Since Oct. 2016), and a member of the editorial board of *J. Marine Syst.* (since 2001), *Acta Oceanol. Sin.* (2004 – Sept. 2016) and *Cont. Shelf Res.* (2007 – Sept. 2016), all SCI journals. He also served as an editor of the *J. Oceanogr.* between 1998 and 2010. Prof. Chen's specialty is on the nutrients and carbon cycle in the oceans, ocean acidification (including hydrothermal systems), global change (including paleoclimates) and sediment heavy metals. His recent work is across disciplines toward integrated Earth System science on the regional to global scales. Besides having 350 of his own scientific papers published (<http://ctchen.ocean.nsysu.edu.tw/Biography--English.htm>), He was awarded the highly-coveted 5M¥ Biwako Prize for Ecology from Japan in 1997 and is a Chair Professor of the NSYSU since 2006.

# The status of ocean acidification in the subtropical Pacific Region

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## Abstract

Because of the penetration of the anthropogenic CO<sub>2</sub> the world oceans have been acidifying. Feely and Chen (The effect of excess CO<sub>2</sub> on the calculated calcite and aragonite saturation horizons in the northeast Pacific, GRL, 1982, 9, 1294-1297) reported for the first time that the aragonite and calcite saturation horizons will become shallower, thus threatening biota with calcium carbonate skeletons and shells. Indeed it has been observed that waters at the shelf break of the East China Sea (ECS) and in the Okinawa Trough have been acidifying between 1982 and 2007 (Lui et al., Acidifying intermediate water accelerates the acidification of seawater on shelves: An example of the East China Sea, CSR, 2015, 111, 223-233). The use of apparent oxygen utilization (AOU) data to quantify the change in pH due to physical changes and changes in biological activities is demonstrated. The results thus obtained reveal that the drop in pH of the Kuroshio Intermediate Water (KIW) in the ECS is a result of not only the intrusion of atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub>, but also an increase in AOU concentration. The acidification rates caused by the increasing AOU concentration could contribute up to  $-0.00086 \pm 0.00017$  pH unit yr<sup>-1</sup> at 900 m in the Okinawa Trough and  $-0.00082 \pm 0.00057$  pH unit yr<sup>-1</sup> on the shelf break of the ECS. These values are equivalent to 54% and 51%, respectively, of the acidification rate of  $-0.0016$  pH unit yr<sup>-1</sup> based on an assumption of the air-sea CO<sub>2</sub> equilibrium. When the effects of changing AOU and  $\theta$  are eliminated, the acidification rate in the basin of the ECS captures the rate of change that is caused by an increase in anthropogenic CO<sub>2</sub> concentration. In contrast, when the effects of changing AOU and  $\theta$  are eliminated, the acidification rate at the shelf break is 69% higher than the rate based on an assumption of the air-sea CO<sub>2</sub> equilibrium. Since the seawater on the shelf contains a higher proportion of the South China Sea (SCS) seawater and coastal water than does that in the Okinawa Trough, the result herein may imply that the SCS seawater, coastal water, or a combination of them suffered a higher acidification rate during the studied period. This study demonstrates that changing the carbonate chemistry of both incoming offshore intermediate seawater and coastal water results in the acidification of seawater on a continental shelf. The results herein reveal a situation in which the acidification of coastal seawater may be faster than expected when the reduction of pH of the incoming offshore seawater is considered along with the increasing atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> and terrestrial nutrient fluxes.

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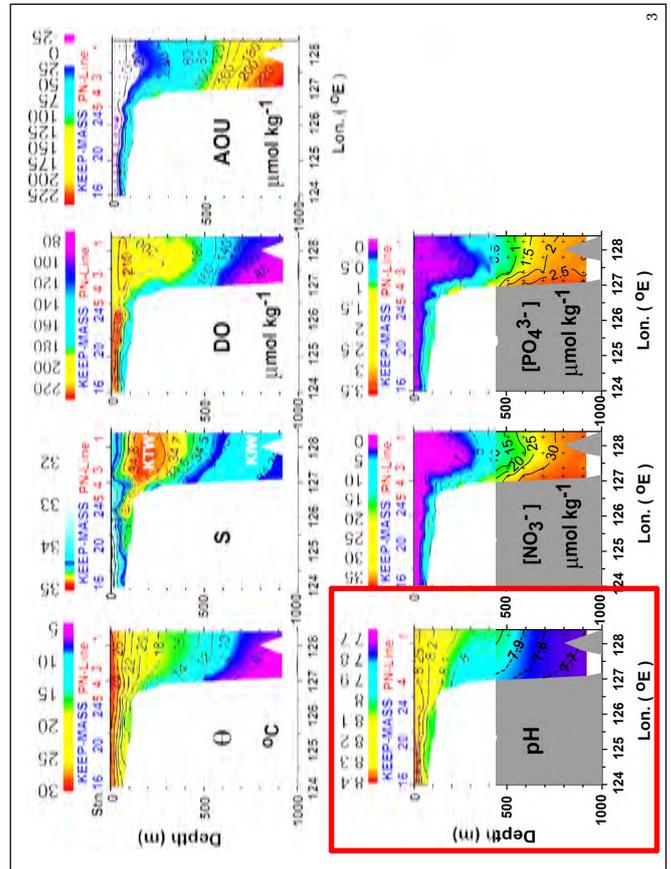


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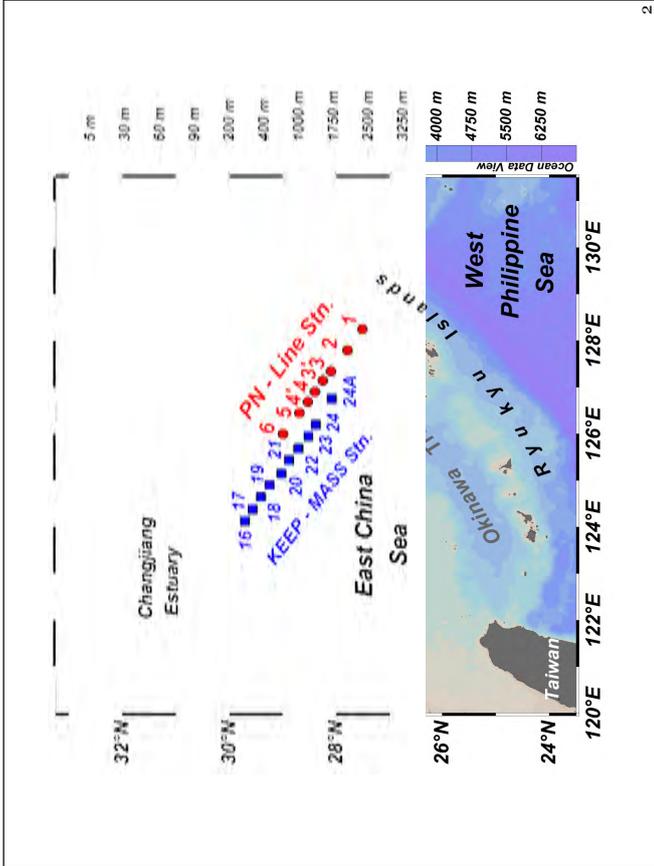
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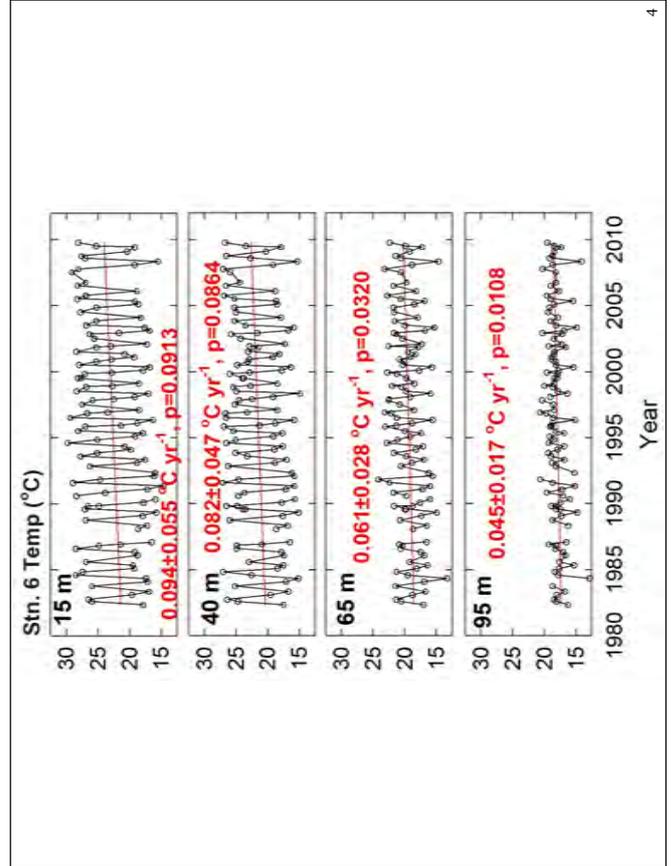
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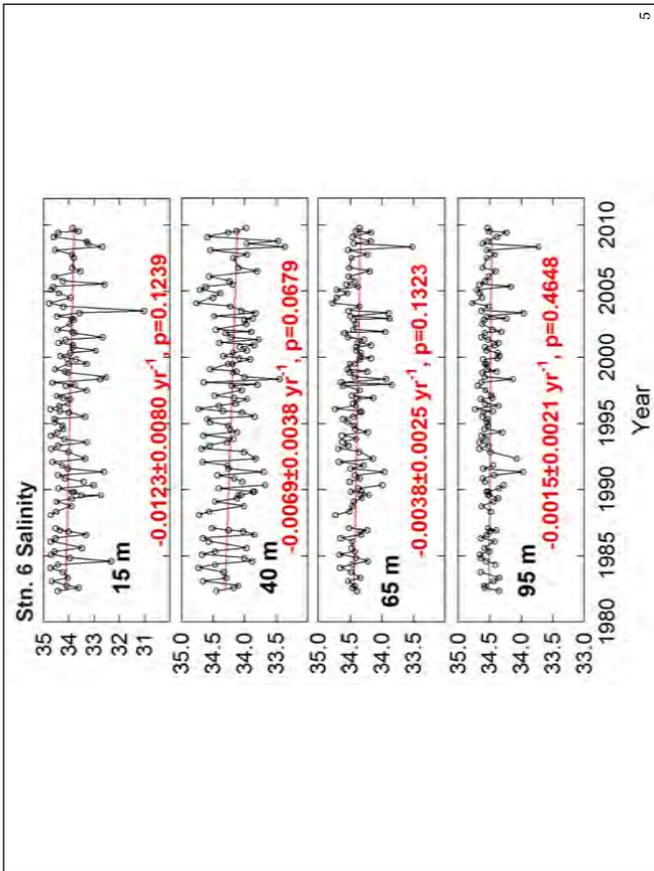
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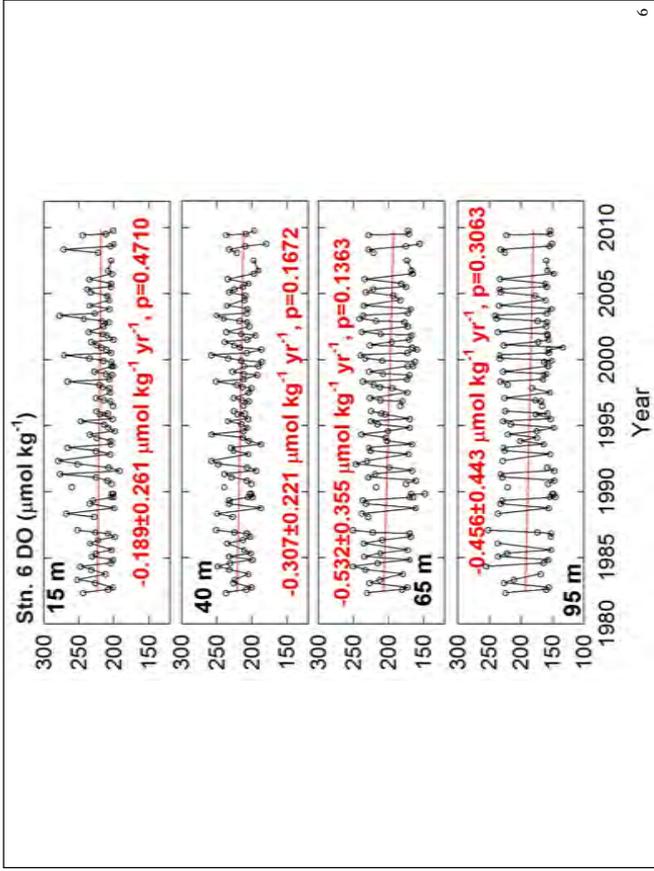
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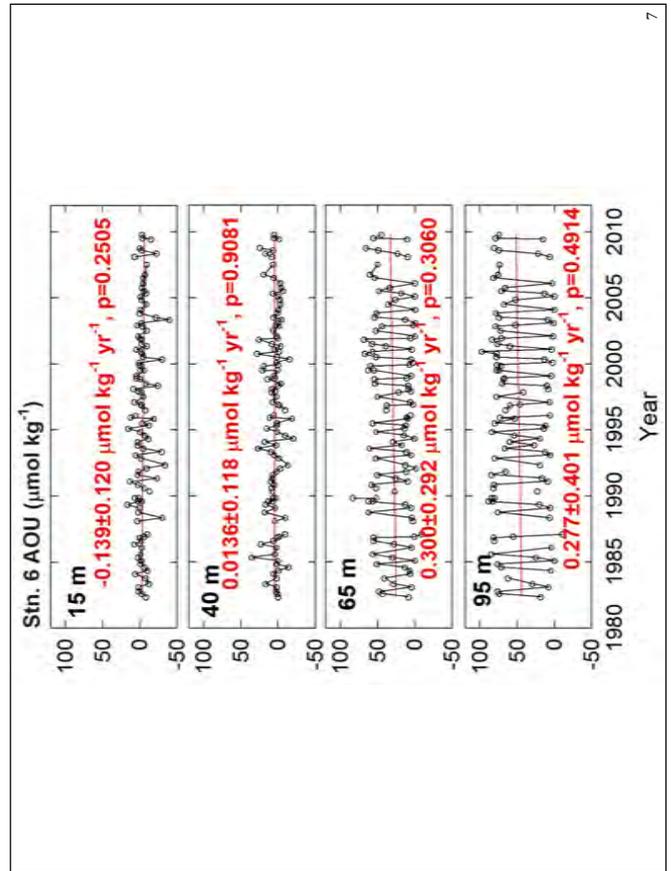
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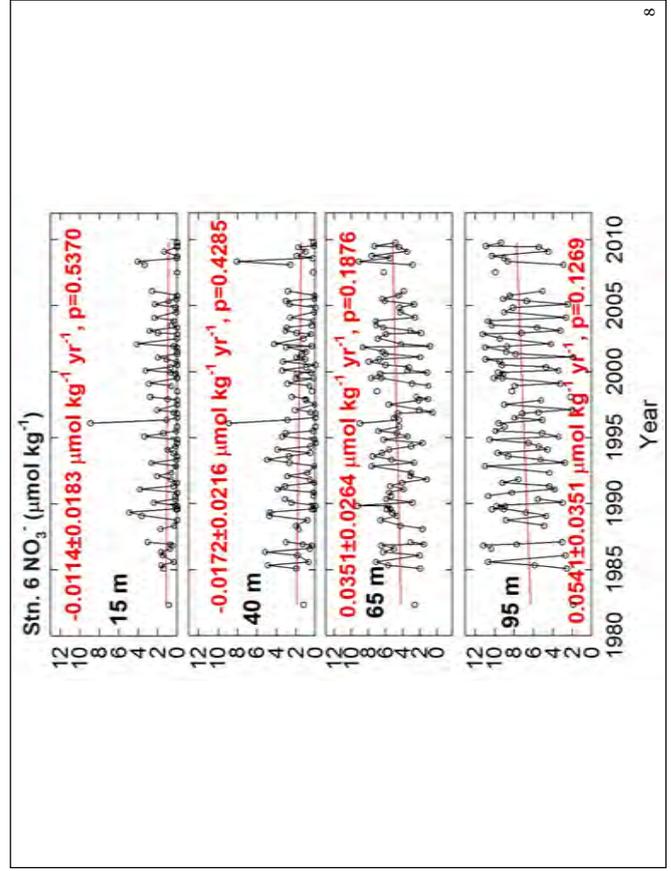
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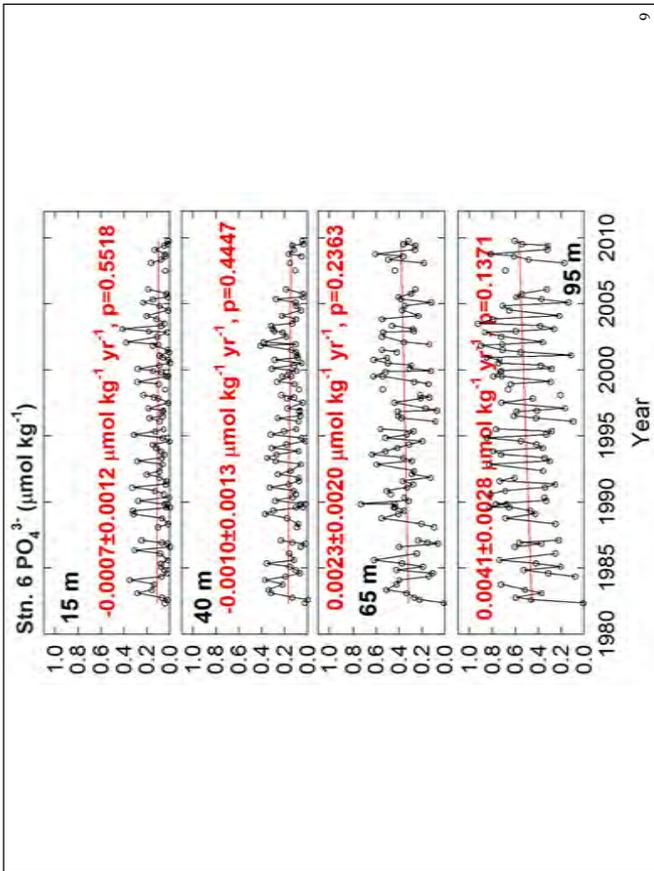
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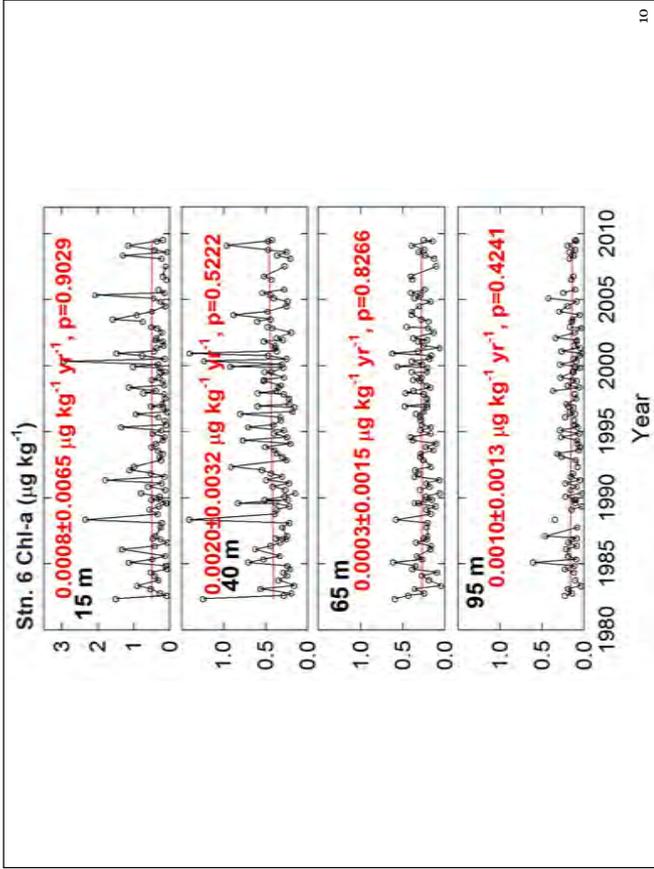
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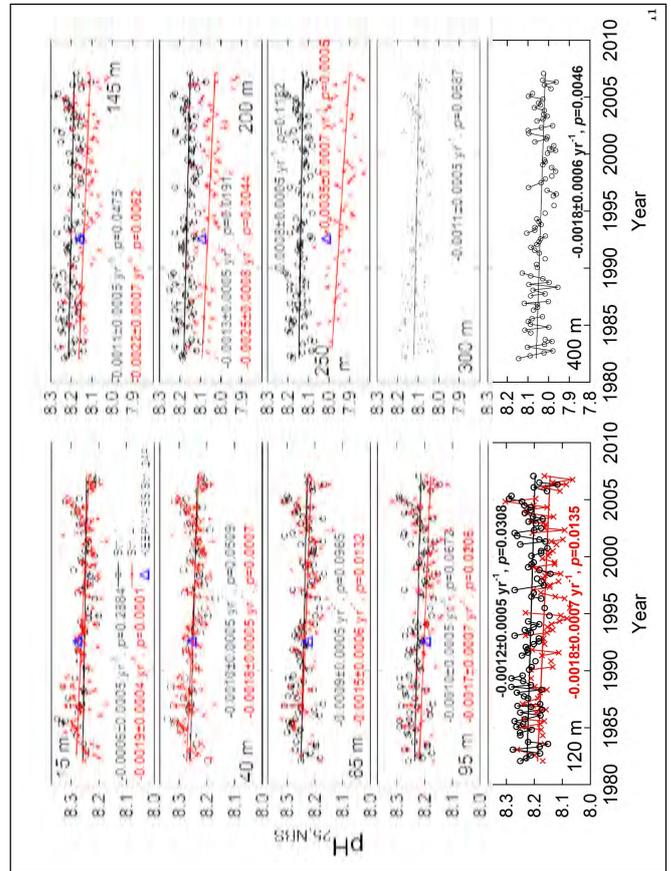
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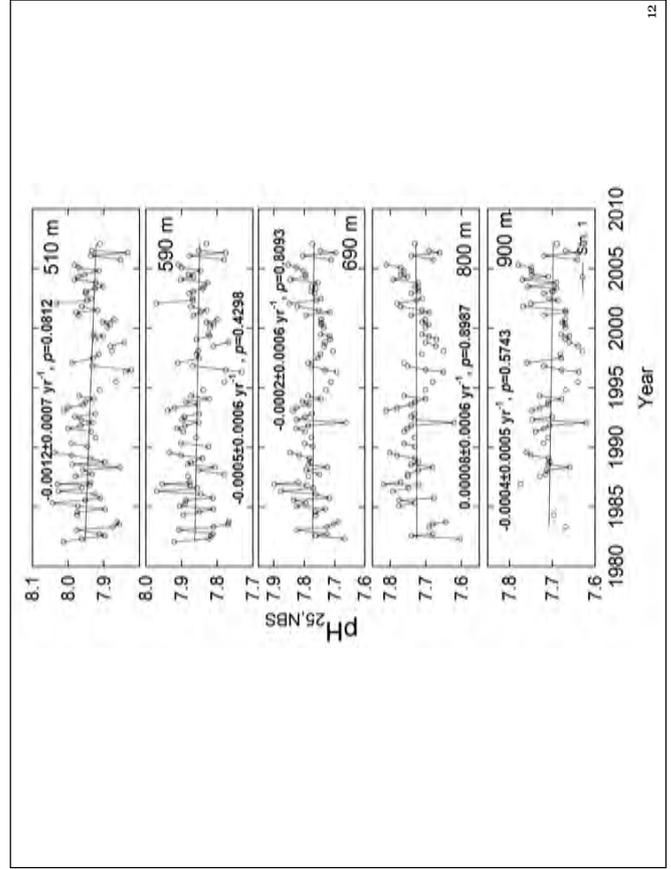
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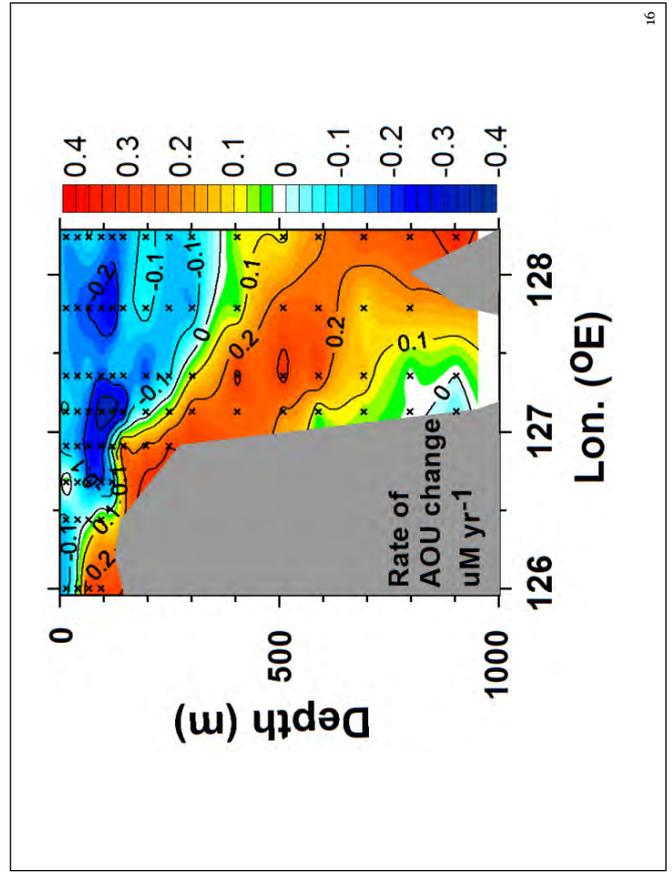
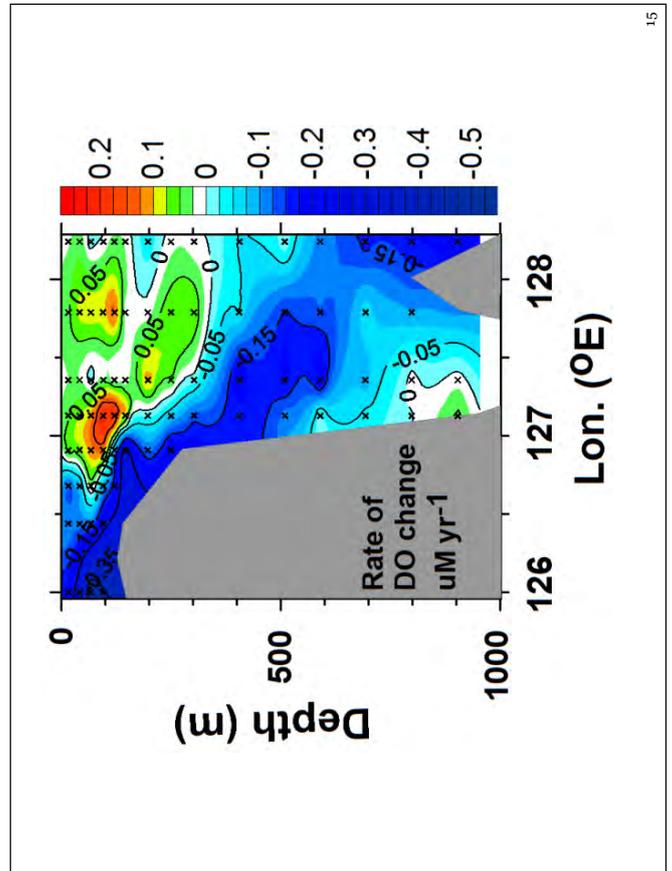
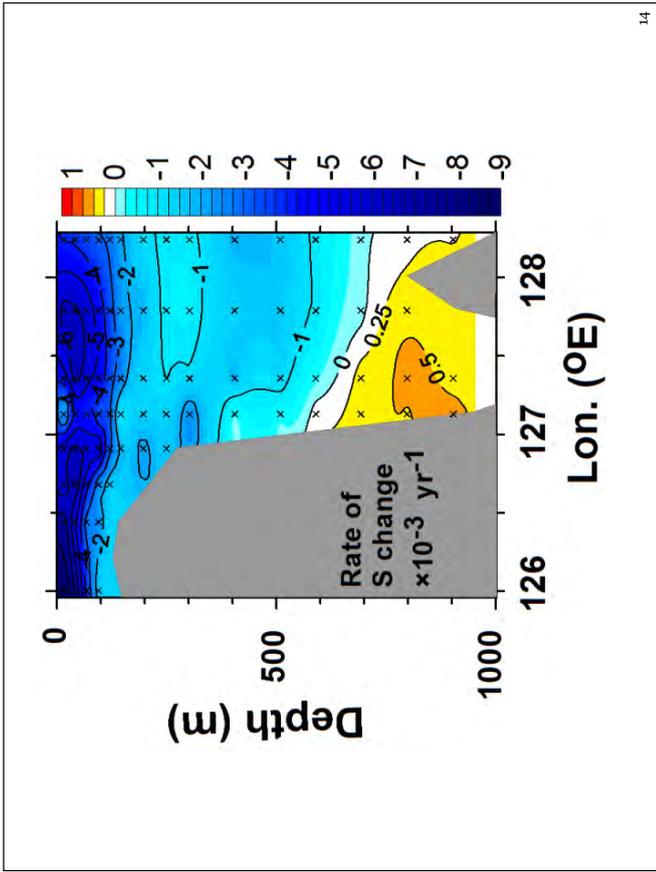
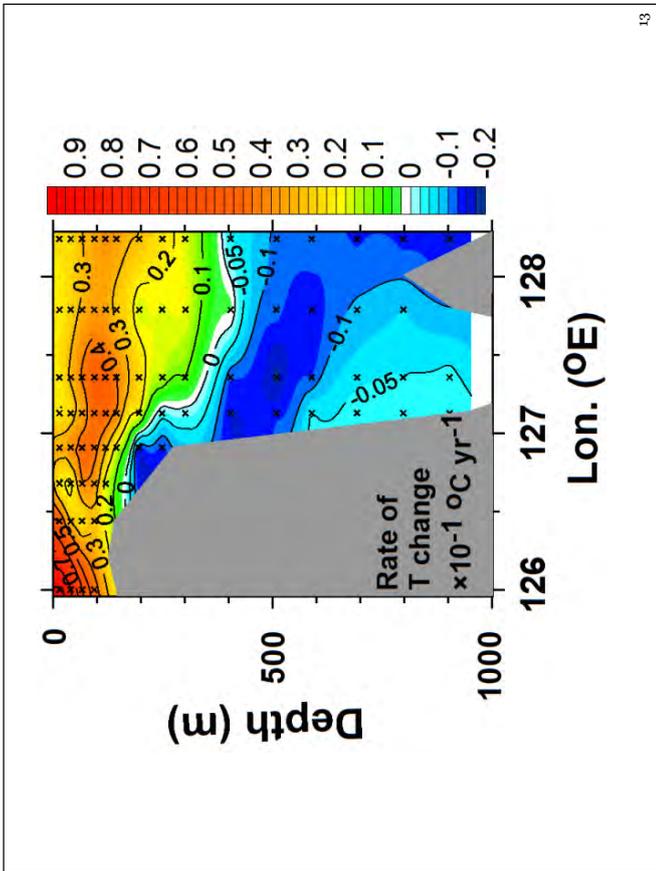
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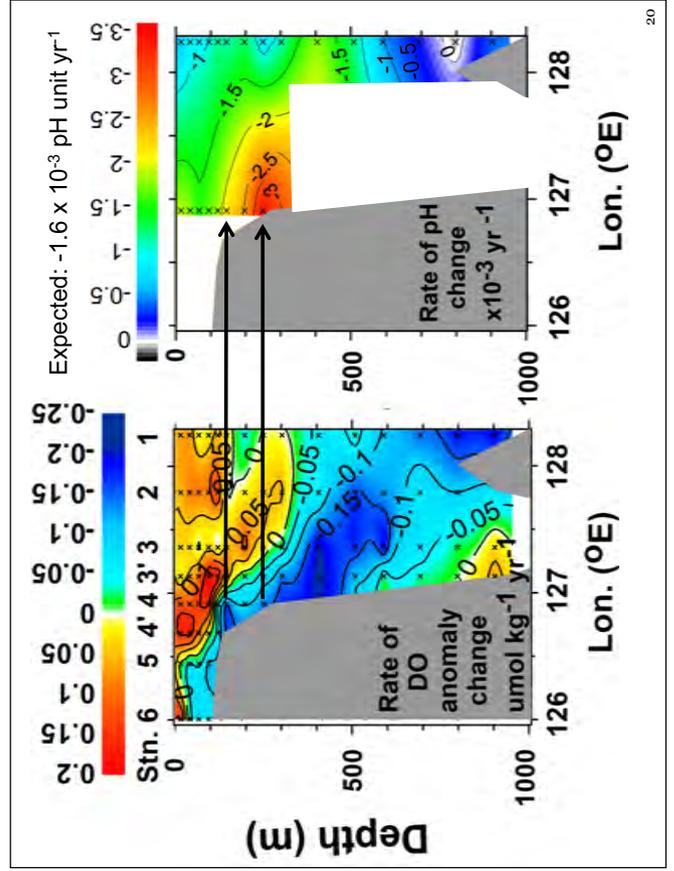
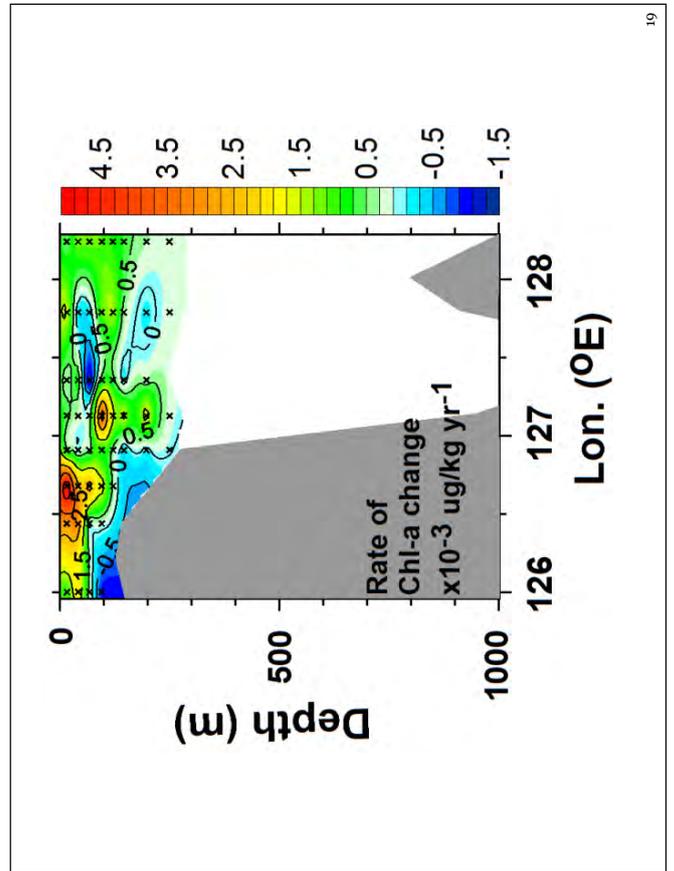
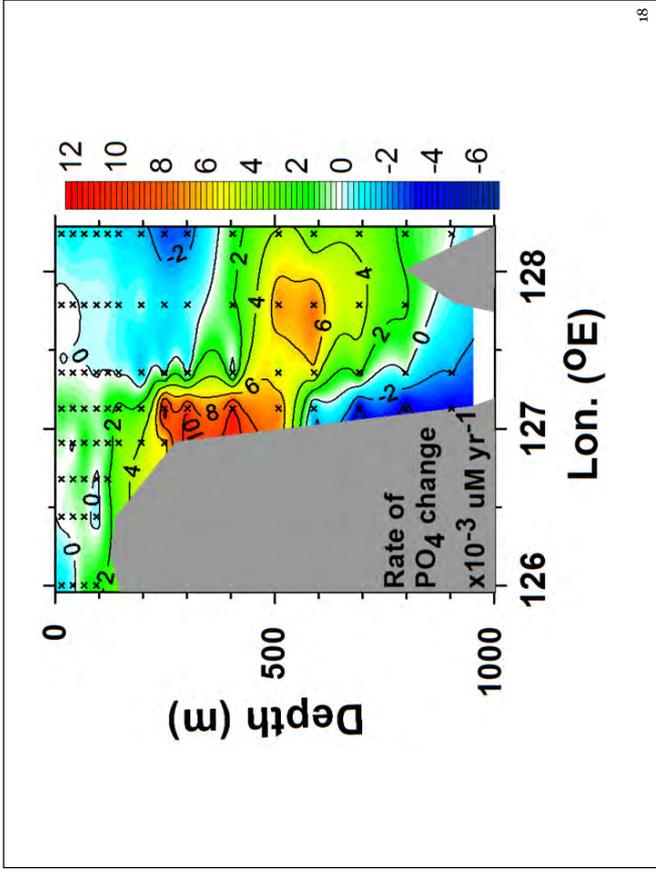
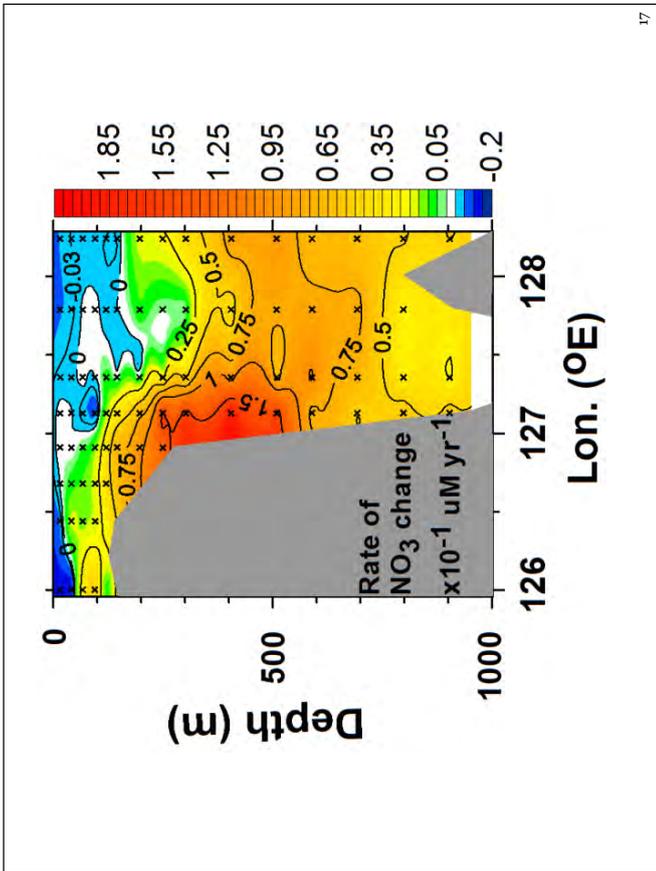


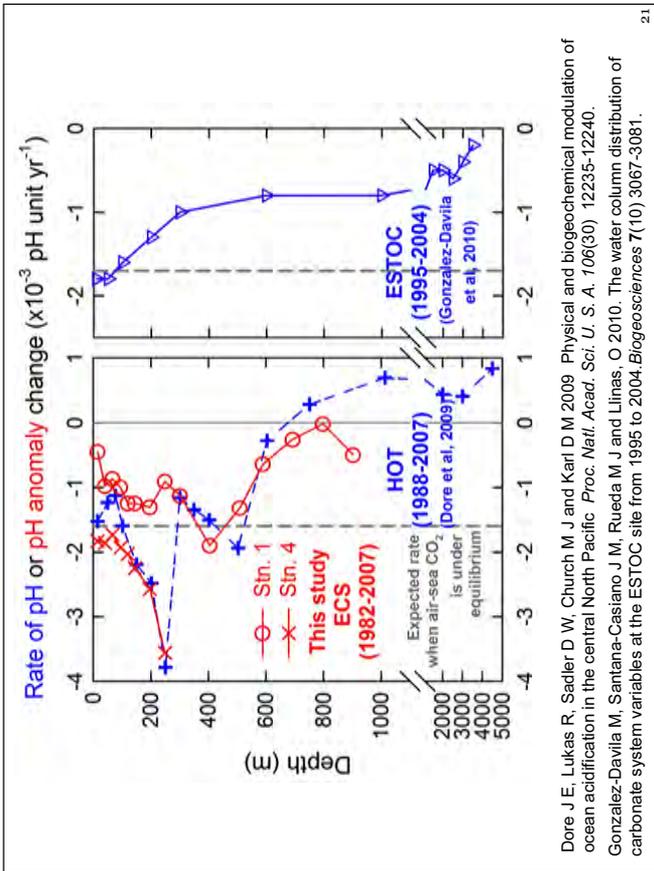
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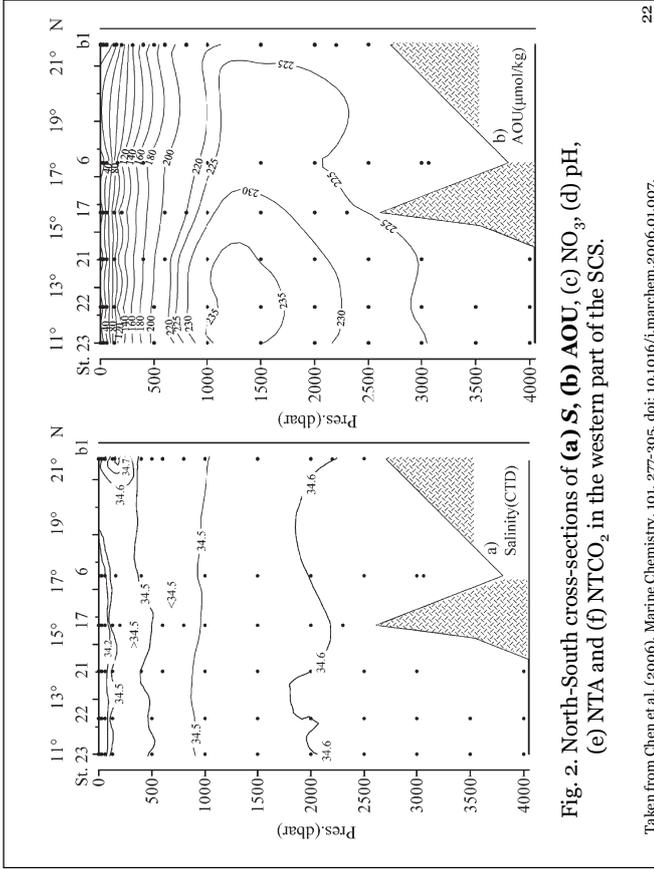
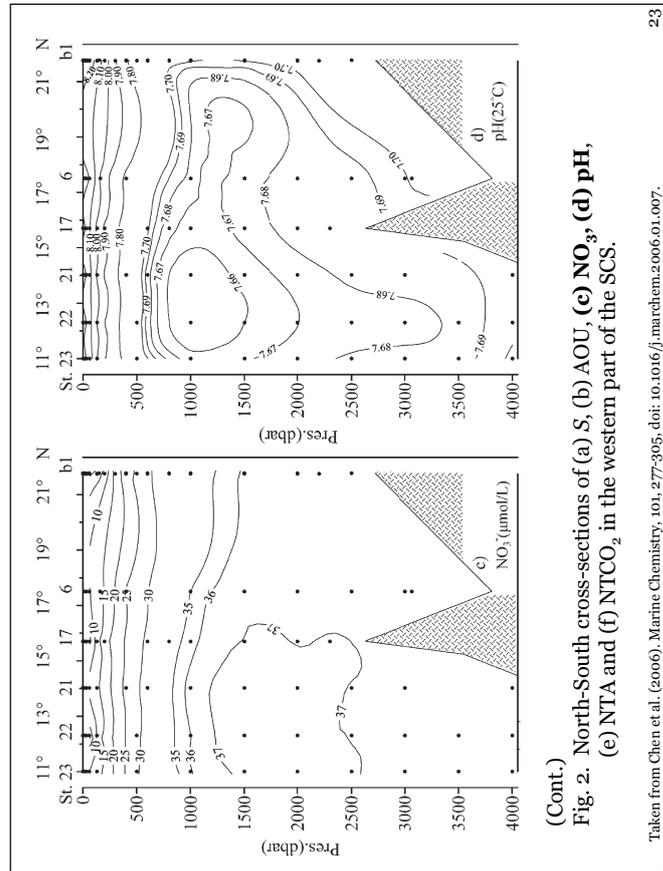


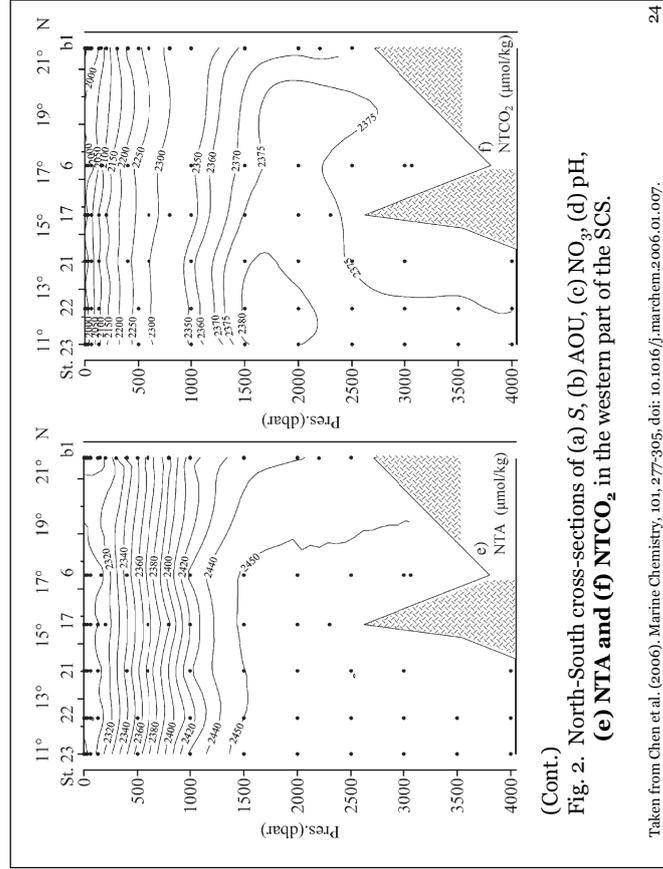
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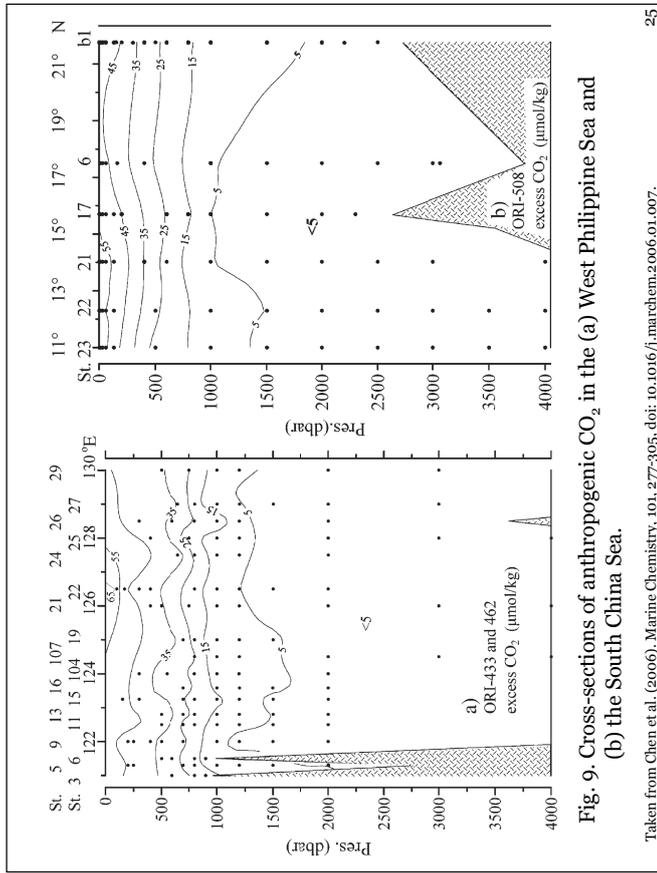


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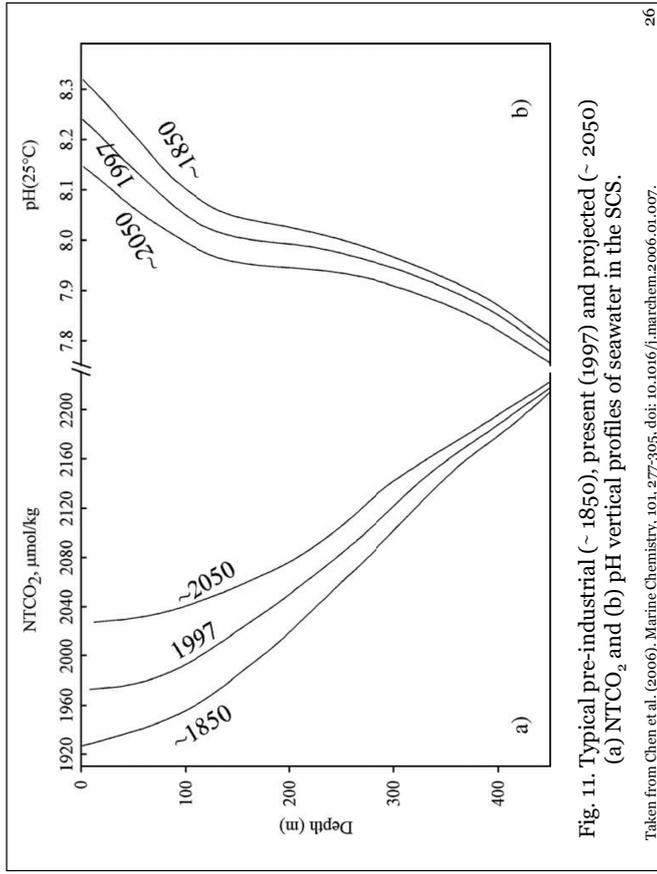


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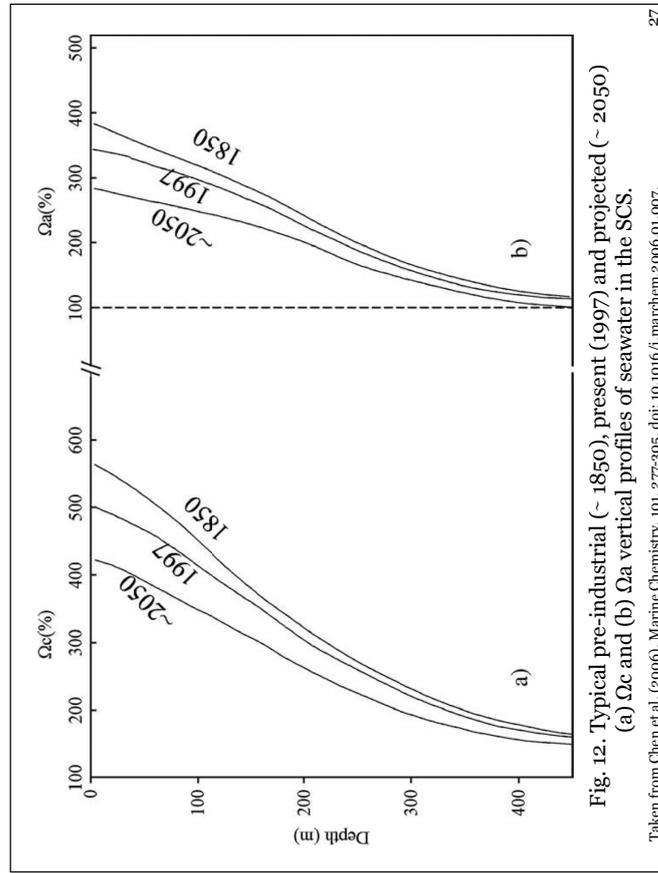


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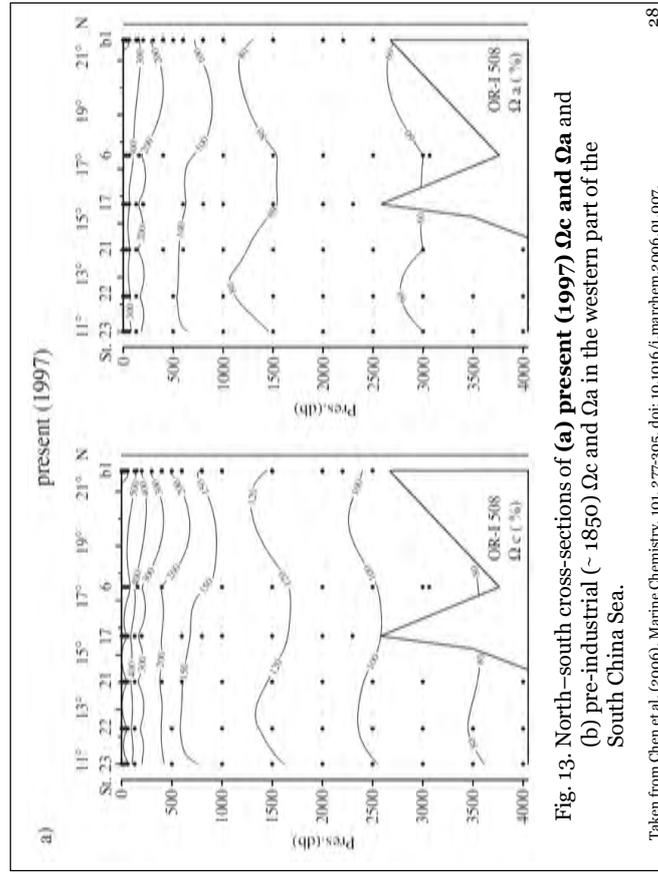


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Session 1-2

**“Progress of Ocean Acidification  
in the western North Pacific”**

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- 2015- Integrated Marine Biogeochemistry and Ecosystem Research (IMBER), member of Scientific Steering Committee.
- 2008- North Pacific Marine Science Organization (PICES), member of Section on Carbon and Climate (S-CC)

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# Progress of Ocean Acidification in the western North Pacific

## 北西太平洋における海洋酸性化の進行

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### Western North Pacific

**Subarctic**

- High productivity in summer
- Large catch of fish

**Subtropics and Tropics**

- Accommodating many coral reef habitats and marine biodiversity hotspots (e.g., 75% of the world's coral species and more than 3000 species of fish).

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■ Coral reef habitats

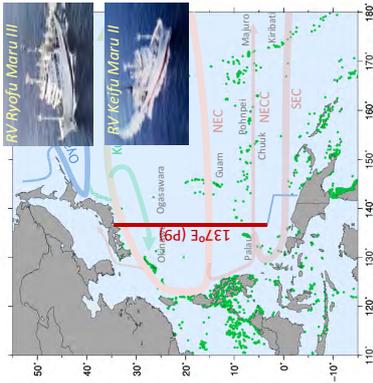
### “Is ocean acidification in fact occurring in the western North Pacific?”

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  - Surface layer
  - Ocean interior
- Surface layer of the western equatorial Pacific warm pool (130°E – 180°, 5°S – 5°N).
- Surface layer in the western subarctic at
  - Stations KNOT (155°E, 44°N) and K2 (160°E, 47°N)
  - 155°E – 165°E, 34°N – 50°N and Oyashio region off of northern Japan

## Subtropics and Tropics - 137°E Repeat Line by JMA



### Repeat measurements at 137°E

- 1967 – Temp., Salinity, oxygen and nutrients.
- 1983 – Partial pressure of CO<sub>2</sub> in surface water ( $p\text{CO}_2^{\text{sw}}$ ) and in the atmosphere ( $p\text{CO}_2^{\text{air}}$ ).
- 1994 – total dissolved inorganic carbon (DIC) at depths.
- 2010 – total alkalinity (TA) and pH at depths

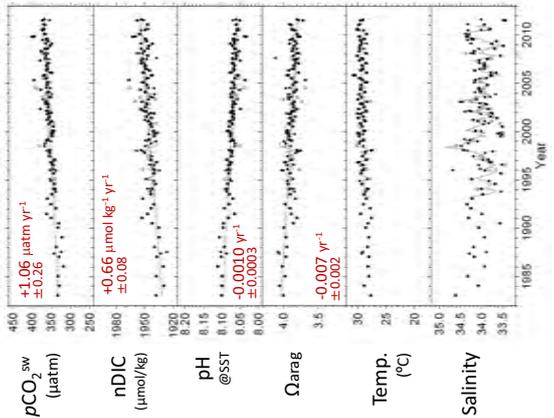


- Saturation level of CO<sub>2</sub> in surface water > Sea-air CO<sub>2</sub> flux
- DIC increase in surface water and in the ocean interior > Anthropogenic CO<sub>2</sub> accumulation and carbon cycle / ocean circulation changes
- Ocean acidification



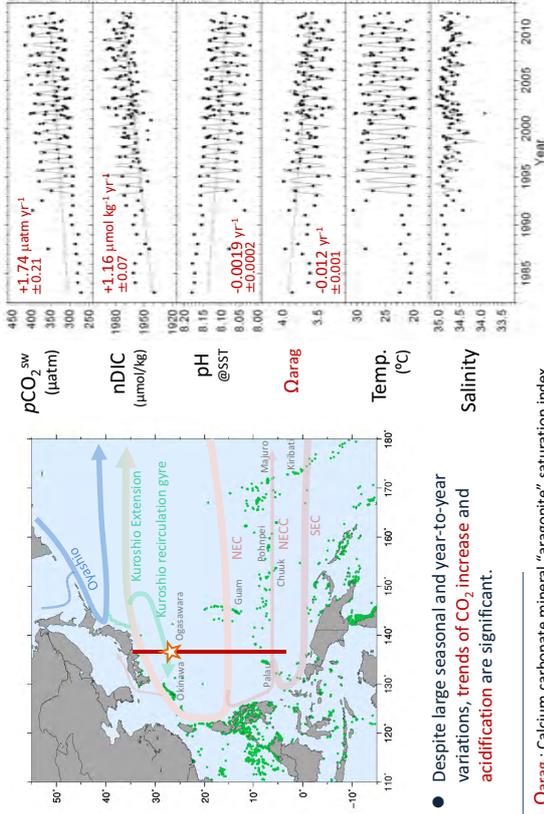
Shower-head type equilibrator for  $p\text{CO}_2$   
Automated measuring system for DIC & TA

## Trends in the surface of the tropics at 137°E, 7°N



- Trends of CO<sub>2</sub> increase and acidification are clear, but their rates of change are lower than in the subtropics and than the rates under the condition of air-sea CO<sub>2</sub> equilibrium.

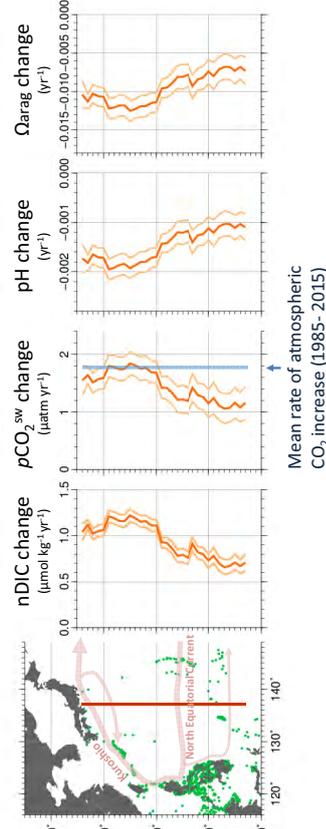
## Trends in the surface of the subtropics at 137°E, 27°N



- Despite large seasonal and year-to-year variations, trends of CO<sub>2</sub> increase and acidification are significant.

$\Omega_{\text{arag}}$  : Calcium carbonate mineral "aragonite" saturation index

## Meridional distributions of the linear rate of ocean CO<sub>2</sub> increase and acidification at 137°E



- Rates of DIC increase and acidification are consistent with those expected from the rate of atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> increase in the subtropics (20°N-34°N), but are lower in the tropics (3°N-18°N).
- From the biogeochemical point of view, marine ecosystems in the subtropics are more vulnerable to ocean acidification.



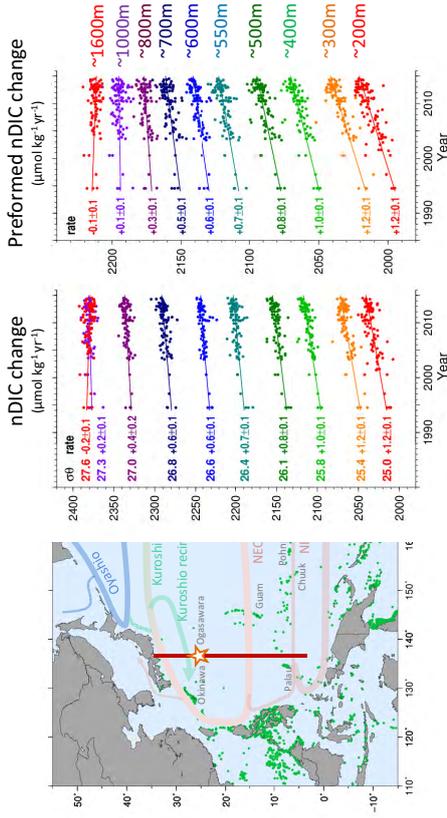
## Trends of CO<sub>2</sub> increase and acidification in the ocean interior of the subtropical gyre at 137°E

“How deep have the anthropogenic CO<sub>2</sub> penetrated into the ocean interior?”



RV Ryofu Maru and CTD/multi-sampler.

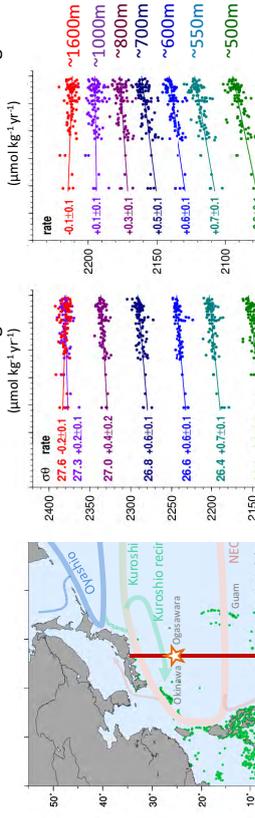
## Trends in the interior of the subtropical gyre at 137°E, 25°N



- Upward trend of nDIC has been detected down to the layer of 27.0σ<sub>θ</sub> (~800m).
- These DIC increases at depths are primarily attributable to the invasion of anthropogenic CO<sub>2</sub>.

Preformed nDIC: nDIC when the water was last contact with the atmosphere  
 = {DIC - 117/170 (O<sub>2</sub>sat - O<sub>2</sub>)} / 0.95 : changes due to CaCO<sub>3</sub> dissolution not taken into account

## Oceanic CO<sub>2</sub> measurements in the western equatorial Pacific



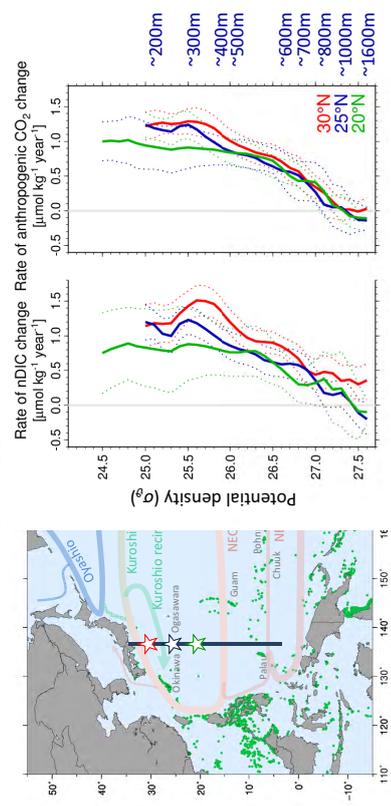
1987–2003 MRI-JAMSTEC collaborative studies on ocean CO<sub>2</sub> in the western equatorial Pacific.  
 R/V Natsushima R/V Kaiyo R/V Mirai

1996– JMA's repeat line at 165E. and many others cruises by Japan, USA and France. Data of pCO<sub>2</sub>sw taken in these cruises have been stored in "Surface Ocean CO<sub>2</sub> Atlas"

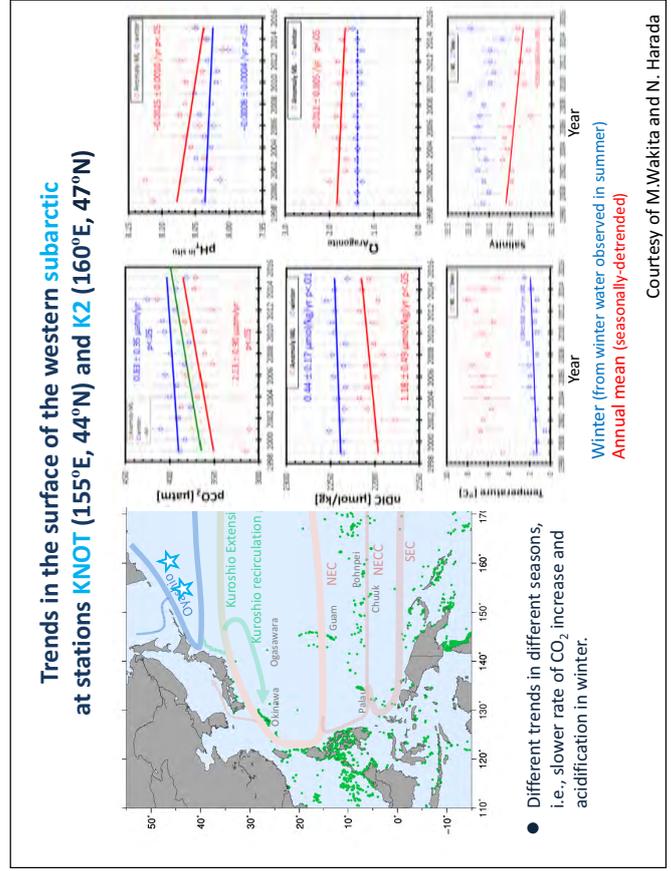
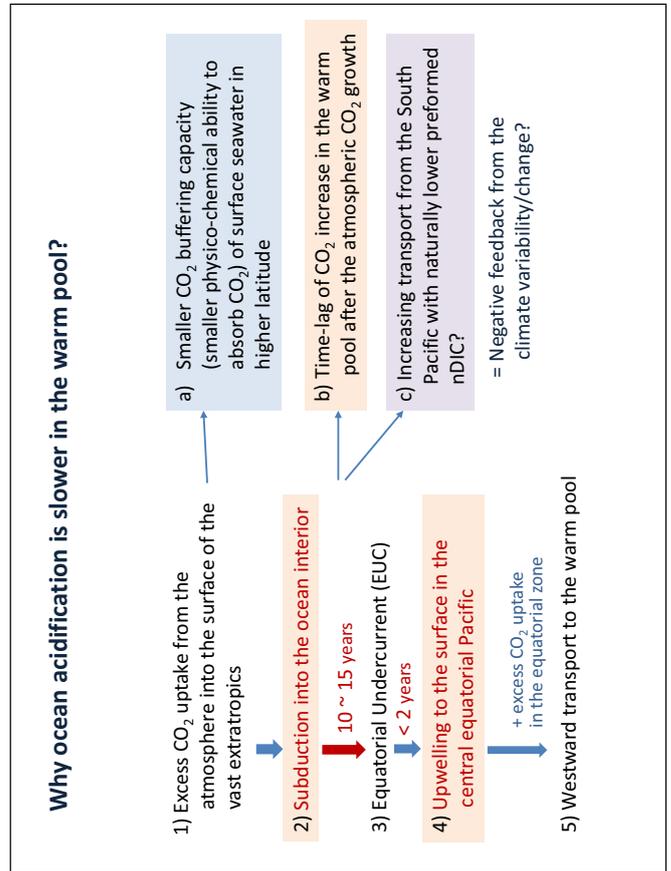
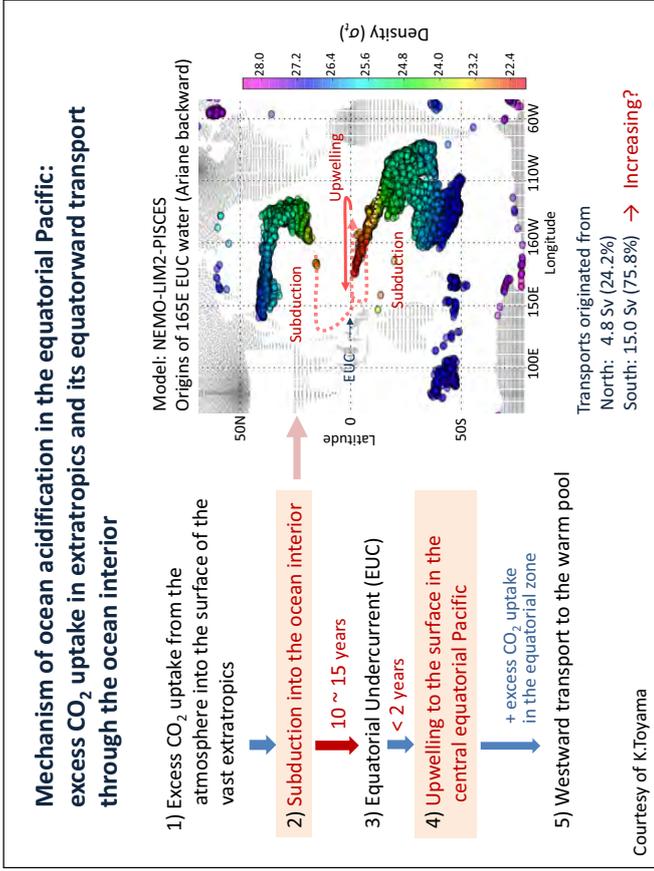
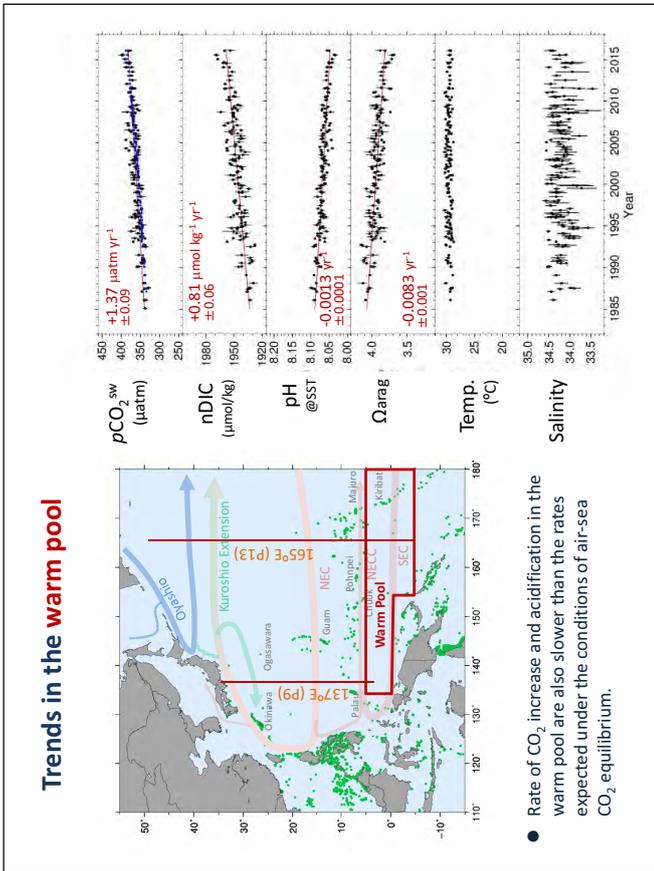


The pCO<sub>2</sub>sw measurements in the equatorial Pacific have originally been made in order to understand the variability in sea-air CO<sub>2</sub> flux associated with El Niño Southern Oscillation.

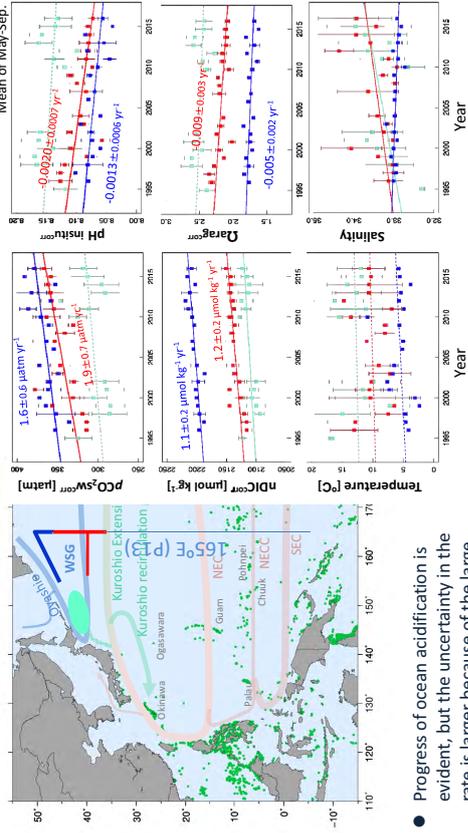
## Trends of nDIC increase in the interior of the subtropical gyre at 137°E



- Rate of anthropogenic CO<sub>2</sub> (preformed nDIC) increase is the highest in the surface layer and lower in the deeper layers.
- Vertical profiles of the anthropogenic CO<sub>2</sub> increase with respect to water density show little latitudinal variation.



### Trends in the surface of the western subarctic and subtropical-to-subarctic zones and of the Oyashio region



● Progress of ocean acidification is evident, but the uncertainty in the rate is larger because of the large spatial and seasonal variations.

$$nDIC^{corr} = nDIC - \sigma \cdot SS^{T_{normal,y}} - b \cdot \log(Chl.a)$$

(The rates indicated are preliminary)

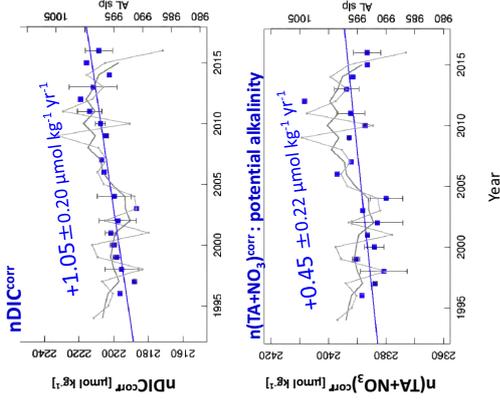
Courtesy of Y. Iida

### Perturbation by climate variability?

nDIC vs Sea level Pressure

R = 0.42  
(significant at 90% confidence intervals)

Sea level pressure at the center of the Aleutian Low (3-year running mean)



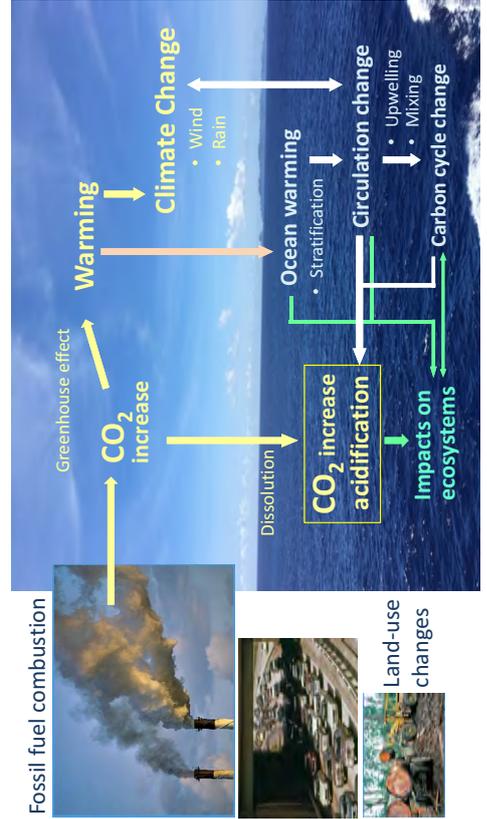
n(TA+NO<sub>3</sub>) vs Sea level Pressure

R = 0.59  
(significant at 99% confidence intervals)

- Variability in potential alkalinity that is associated with the sea level pressure suggests that changes in ocean circulation and vertical mixing in the upper subarctic gyre are playing a role for the variability in ocean CO<sub>2</sub> system and thereby the rate of ocean acidification.

Courtesy of Y. Iida

### Anthropogenic CO<sub>2</sub> invasion into the sea and carbon-climate feedback



### Conclusion

- Progress of OA have been distinctly observed for the past decades at a variety of location in the tropical, subtropical and subarctic zones of the western North Pacific.
- Rate of OA in the surface layer has been primarily controlled by the **growth rate of the atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> concentration**.
- In the tropics, rate of OA appears to be 10-15 years behind the rate that corresponds to the growth of the atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub>. This is because the OA in the tropical Pacific is primarily controlled by the **transport of anthropogenic CO<sub>2</sub> from the extratropics** through the ocean interior.
- **Climate variability/change** is likely to have a significant impact on the rate of OA in the tropics and in the subarctic.

Session 1-3

## **“Ocean Acidification Studies in the Seas around Japan”**



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- \*Temporal variation of physical/chemical ocean environment both by natural and by anthropogenic forcings, such as PDO and/or global warming
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- \*Carbon and nutrient cycles within North Pacific Ocean

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### Synergistic Activities

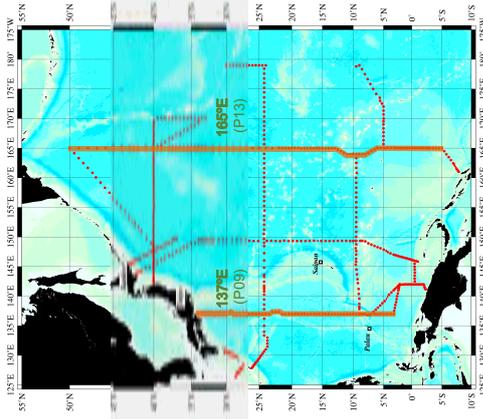
2004-2006              Contributing Author for IPCC Fourth Assessment Report  
2006-present           Member of PICES Section for Carbon and Climate (co-chair from 2015)

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日本周辺海域における酸性化とモニタリングの現状  
Tsunao Ono (Fisheries Research Institute)  
小笠垣夫(水産研究・教育機構)

Japan Ocean Acidification Network



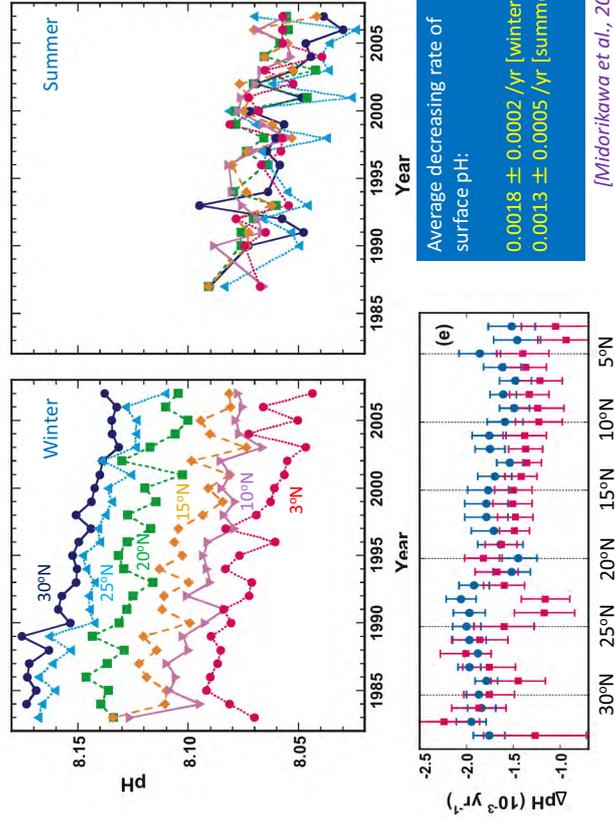
Overall trends of pCO<sub>2</sub> and pH in western North Pacific :  
Japan Meteorological Agency monitoring along 137E & 165E



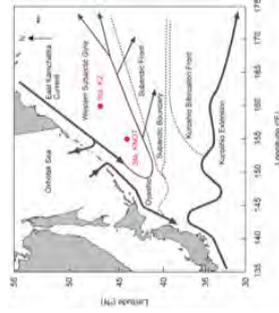
JMA high-frequency hydrographic sections

- 137°E (P09) :  
Seasonal to annual 1967 -  
• pCO<sub>2</sub> (NDIR, shower-head) 1983 -  
• DIC (coulometric) 1994 -  
• pH (spectrophoto.) 2003 -  
• TA (spectrophoto.) 2010 -
- 165°E (P13) :  
Annual 1997 -

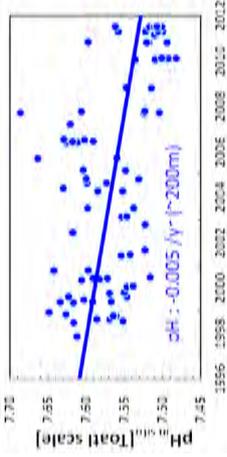
Long-term trends in the surface water along 137°E



Long-term decreasing trend of pH are also observed in subarctic North Pacific

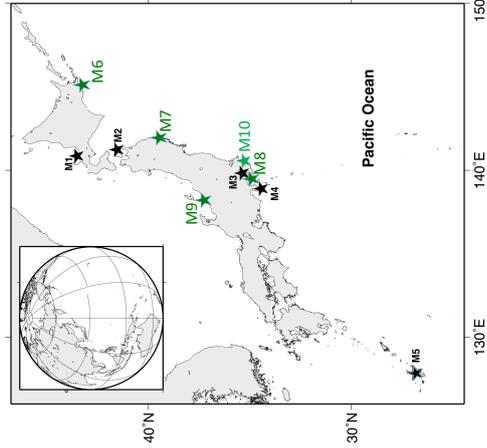


Long-term ocean monitoring stations in western subarctic North Pacific:  
Sta. KNOT (44°N, 155°E)  
Sta. K2 (47°N, 160°E)



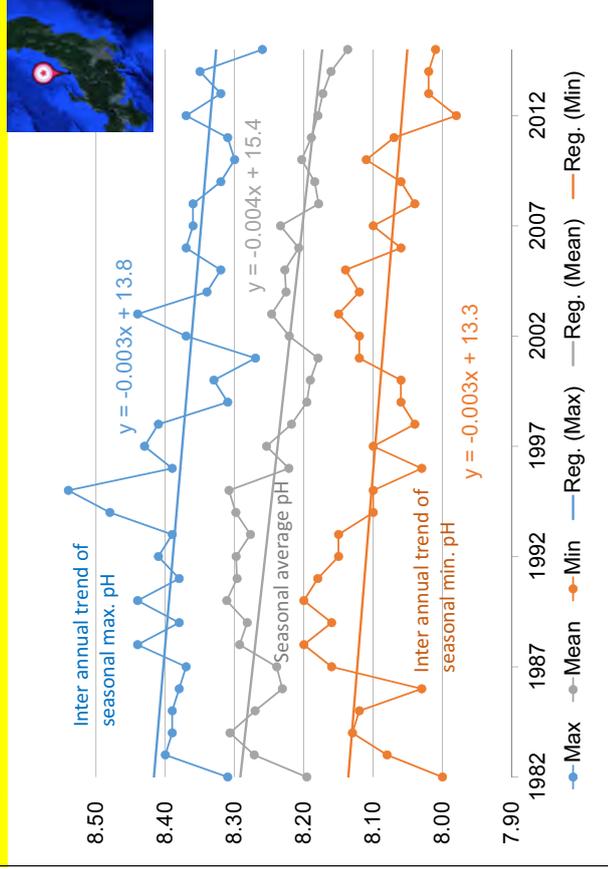
Time series of pH observed in KNOT and K2: averaged data from sea surface to 200m depth  
[adapted from Wakita et al. 2013, Biogeosciences]

ongoing Japan-coast pH monitoring sites [after S. Takao/WESTPAC 2015]

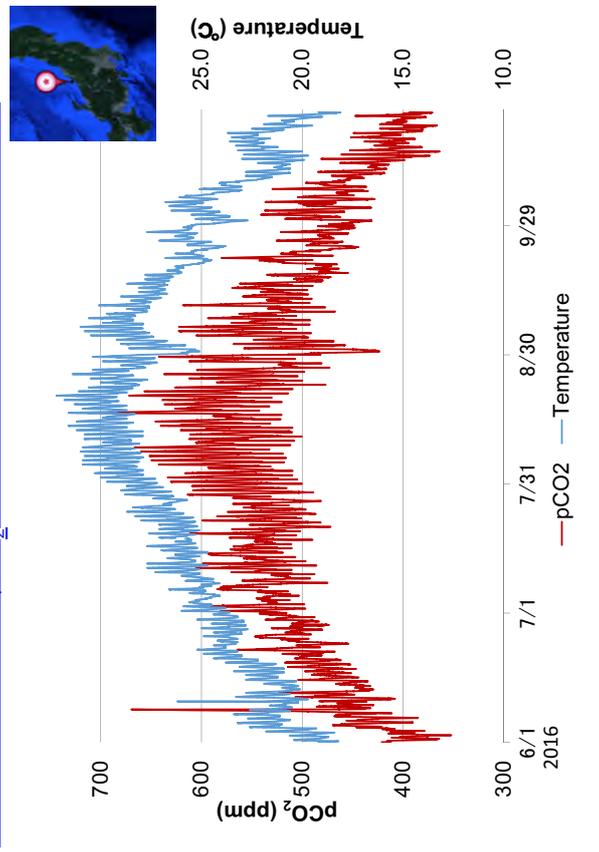


- M1: Oshoro Bay [Japan Sea & oritogrophic; 2013 – present]
- M2: Tsugaru Strait [transition & oritogrophic; 2014 – present]
- M3: Tateyama Bay [subtropic & eutrophic; 2011 – present]
- M4: Shimoda Bay [Subtropic & oligotrophic; 2011 – present]
- M5: Nago Bay [Coral coast; 2000 – present]
- M6: Akkeshi Bay [subarctic eelgrass swamp; 2014 – present]
- M7: Miyako station [transition & oligotrophic; 2014 – present]
- M8: Arasaki Station [Subtropic & oligotrophic; 2009 - 2011]
- M9: Kashiwazaki Station [Subtropic & oligotrophic; 1982 –present ]
- M10: Onjuku Station [Subtropic & oligotrophic; 1982 –present ]

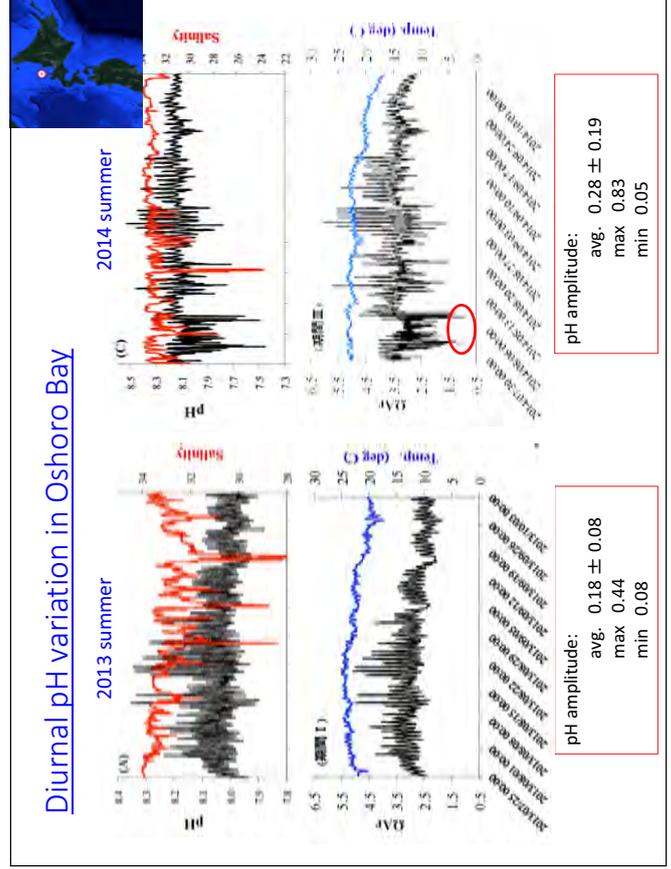
long term pH trend observed at Kashiwazaki site (1982-2015)



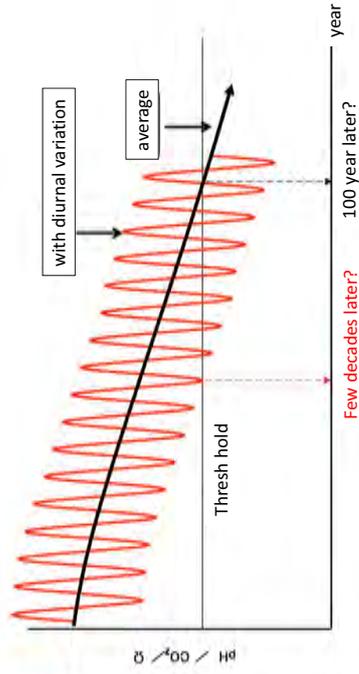
Diurnal / seasonal pCO<sub>2</sub> variation in kashiwazaki district



Diurnal pH variation in Oshoro Bay

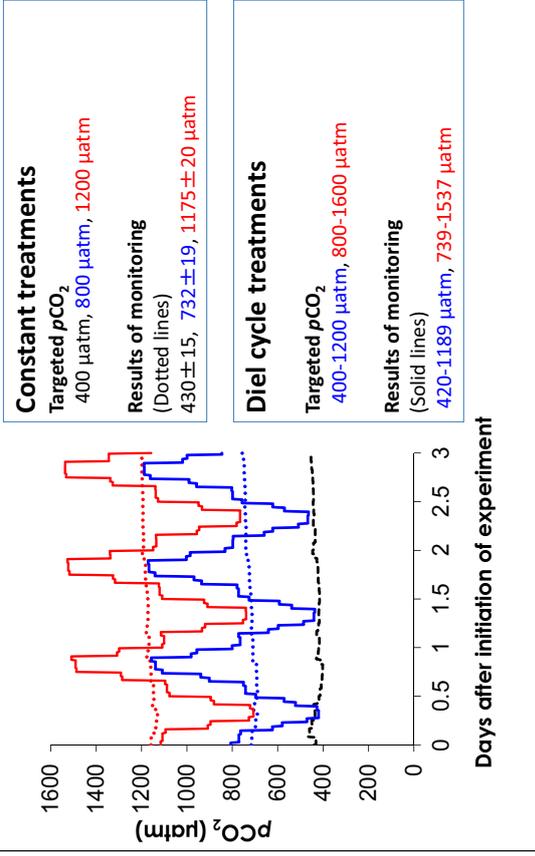


Consequence of diurnal/seasonal variation of pH in coastal area:  
What does biota respond to? Average or Minimum?

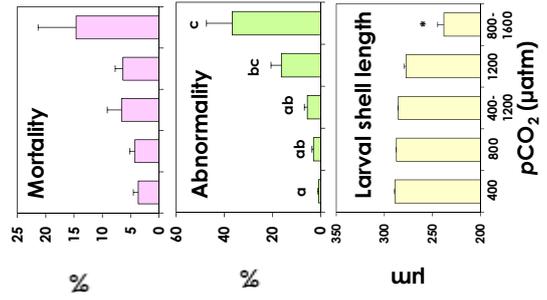


modified from Yamamoto-Kawai et al.

## Effects of diurnally-variable pCO<sub>2</sub> on ezo-abalone larvae by culture experiment [Onitsuka et al., submit.]



## Results : Effects on larval fitness



There were no significant differences in mortality rate among all the pCO<sub>2</sub> treatments.

Abnormality rate was significantly higher in the 1200µatm, and **more in 800-1600 µatm**

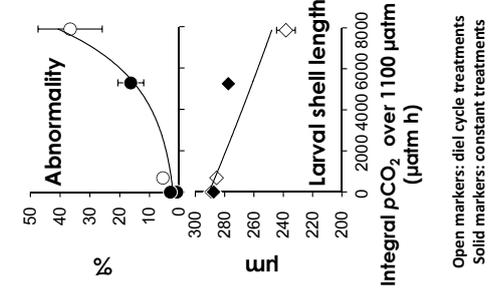


Shell length in the **800-1600 µatm** was significantly shorter but **not in the 1200µatm**.



[Onitsuka et al., submit.]

## Results 2: Effect of integral pCO<sub>2</sub> on larval fitness



The aragonite saturation state around **Ω=1.0** is equivalent to **1100 µatm pCO<sub>2</sub>**.

Integral pCO<sub>2</sub> over 1100 µatm  
=  $\sum (P - 1100) i$

P: pCO<sub>2</sub> over 1100 µatm

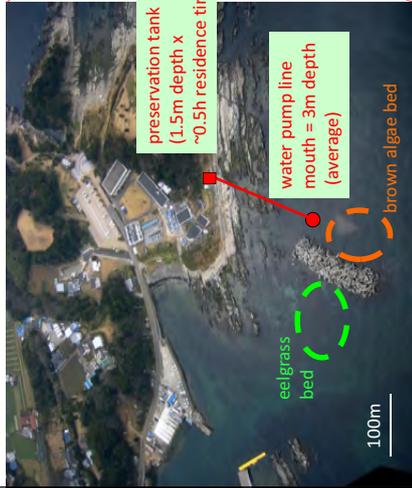
i: exposed hours to pCO<sub>2</sub> over 1100 µatm

Abnormality rate increased with increment of integral pCO<sub>2</sub> over 1100 µatm.

Larval shell length decreased as integral pCO<sub>2</sub> over 1100 µatm increased.

Open markers: diel cycle treatments  
Solid markers: constant treatments

another example: Arasaki Station [FRA]



1-year composite pCO<sub>2</sub> variation

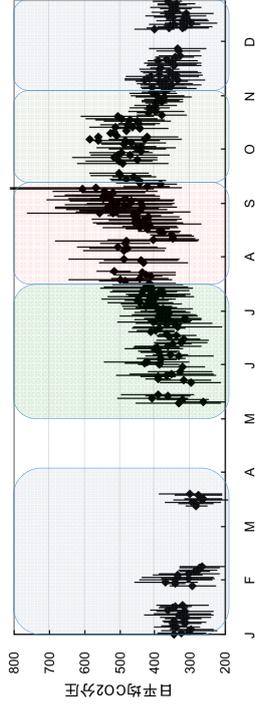
similar pCO<sub>2</sub> monitoring (without water sampling) was continued intermittently until Mar. 2011 to obtain composite 1-year monitoring data.



24-h monitoring of pCO<sub>2</sub>

- a portable membrane-type gas equilibrator was soaked into the preservation tank from 11:00 Aug. 24 to 15:00 Aug. 25
- gas from the equilibrator was measured once an hour by NDIR
- water samples were taken from the tank every 3hour and measured DIC and Talk.

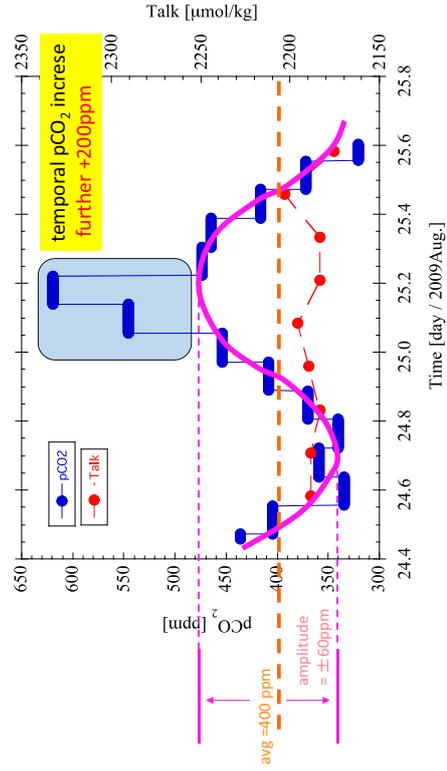
1-year composite data



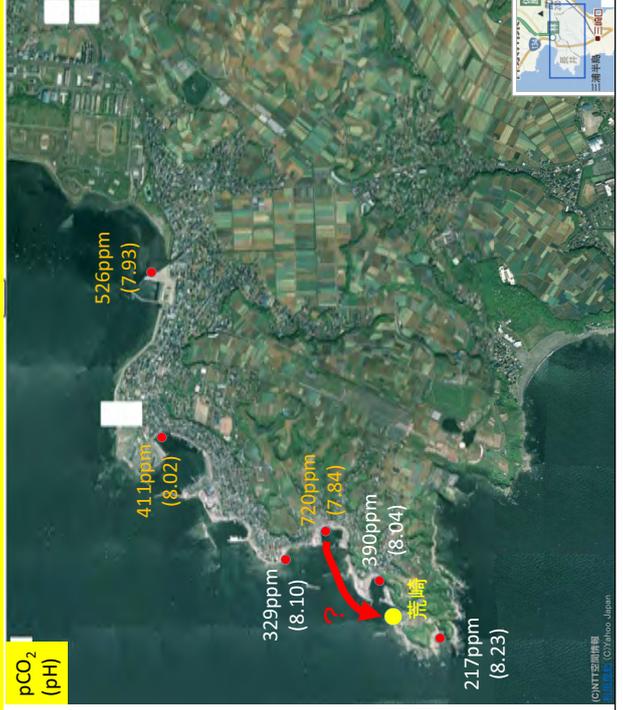
- significant seasonal dependence in the amplitude of diurnal pCO<sub>2</sub> variation
  - #winter (Nov. – Mar.) ~150 ppm
  - #spring (May –mid July) ~200ppm
  - #summer (mid July – early Sept.) >300ppm (max. 400)
  - #autumn(mid Sept.-Oct.) ~200ppm

- Annual pCO<sub>2</sub> maximum: daily avg. 600ppm with diurnal variation: >800ppm

result of 24-hour pCO<sub>2</sub> monitoring

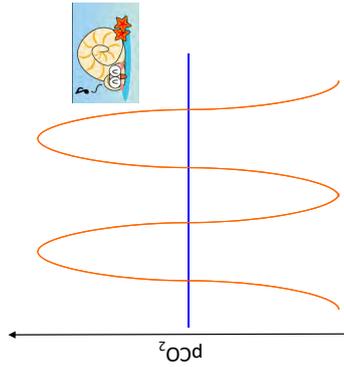


Existence of local hot spot of pH and pCO<sub>2</sub> among the Arasaki station

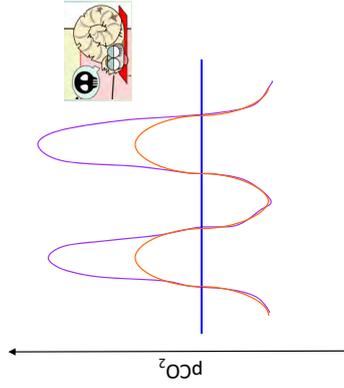


## different biotic response between "natural eutrophication" and "polluted eutrophication"

natural eutrophication  
(Inner-Bay, estuary etc.)



polluted eutrophication  
(arasaki district)



## Summary: present knowledge on ocean acidification In the waters around Japan

- 1] observed pH decrease in open ocean:  $-0.0013 \sim -0.0018/\text{y}$  (subtropical surface)  
 $-0.005/\text{y}$  (subpolar surface)
- 2] pH decrease in Japan coast:  $-0.003/\text{y}$  at one station, but **should be subject to high local variation** (more long-term data needed!)
- 3] existence of **high diurnal / seasonal variation of pH** even in one site, and
- 4] some biota exhibit **high sensibility not against daily average but daily minimum pH** (or **daily integral pH-excess from the level equivalent to  $\Omega_{\text{arg}} = 1$** )
- 5] existence of **eutrophication-oriented ocean acidification** in parallel with anthropogenic  $\text{CO}_2$  - oriented ocean acidification : This may more cause severe effect to local biota when considering historical biological adaptation.

Session 1-4

## “Ocean Acidification and its Effects on Pacific Island States”



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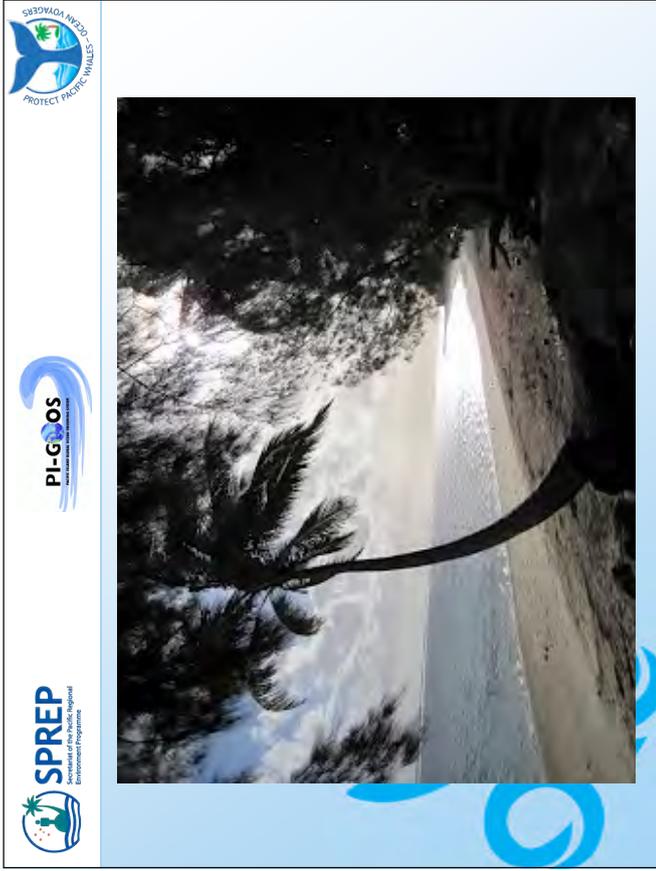
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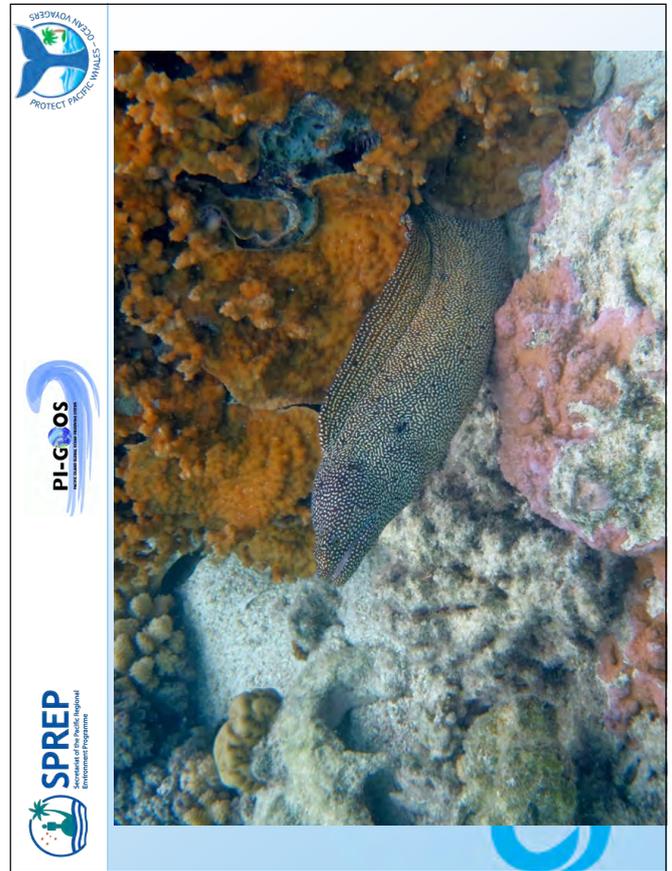
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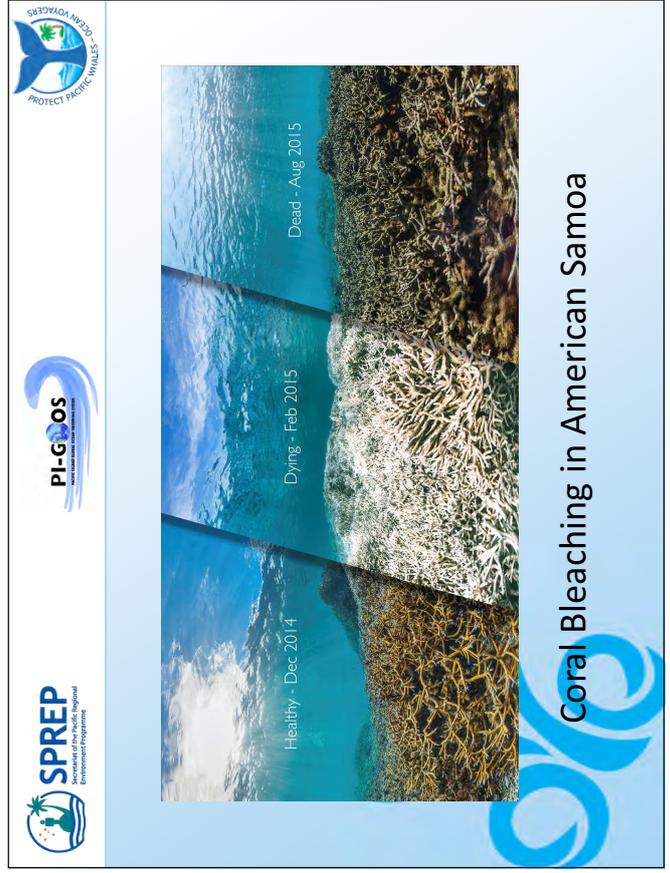
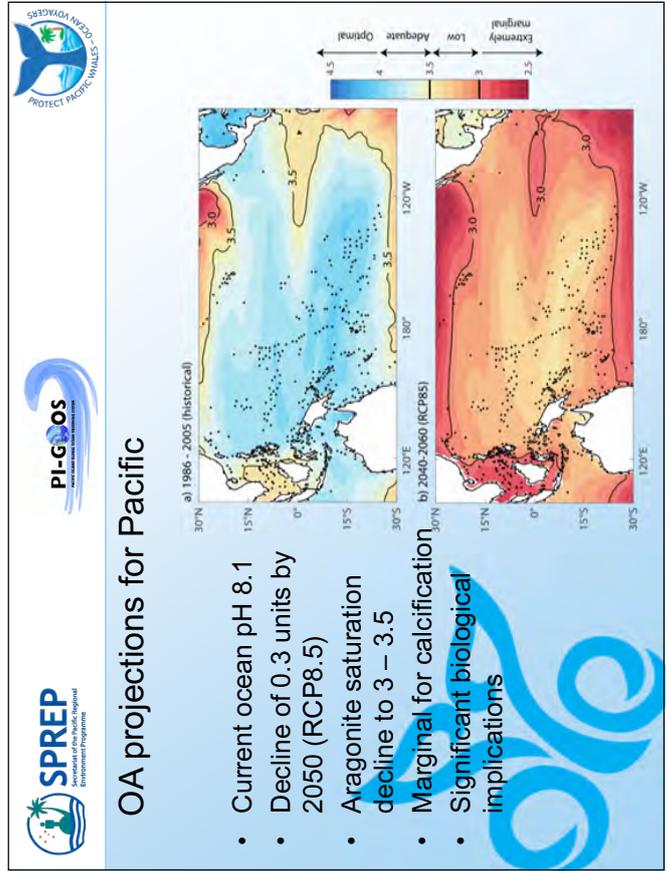
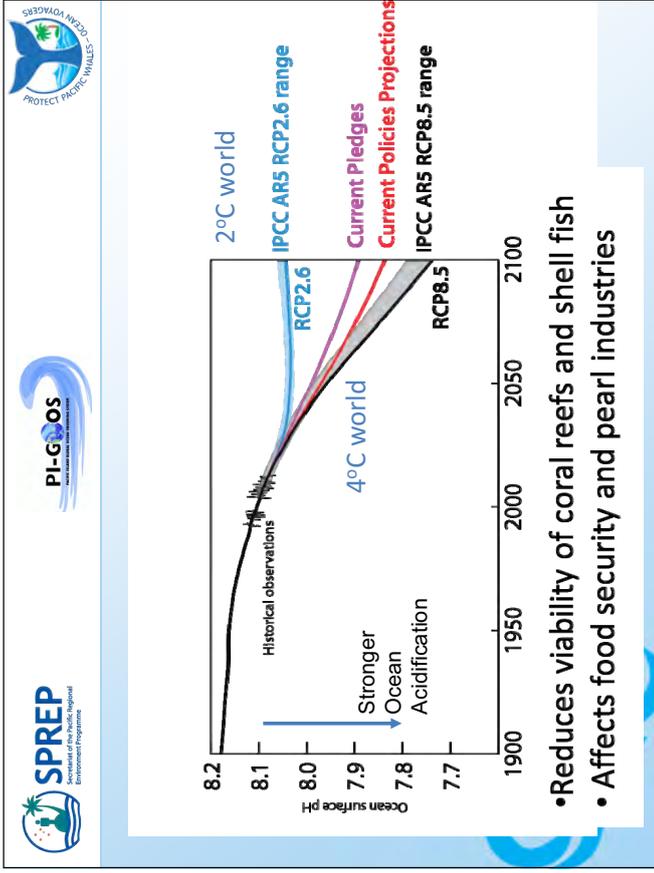
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**Tolerances to ocean acidification in marine taxa, assessed from laboratory and field studies of species in the pCO<sub>2</sub> range from <650 to >10 000 µatm, compared to present day atmospheric levels (400 µatm).**

Variables studied include growth, survival, calcification, metabolic rate, immune response, development, abundance, behavior and others.

Confidence is based on the number of studies, the number of species studied and the agreement of results within one group.

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Taxon	No of pa-studies	No of species studied	pCO <sub>2</sub> , where the most vulnerable species is investigated (µatm)	Assessment of tolerance to pCO <sub>2</sub> (confidence)	Assessment of tolerance to pCO <sub>2</sub> (confidence)
Cyanobacteria	17	5	180-1250*	Beneficial (low)	Beneficial (low)
Coccolithophores	35	6	740	Tolerant (low)	Vulnerable (medium)
Diatoms	22	5	150-1500*	Tolerant (low)	Tolerant (low)
Dinoflagellates	12	4	150-1500*	Beneficial (low)	Tolerant (low)
Foraminifers	11	4	588	Vulnerable (low)	Vulnerable (medium)
Sargassoids	6	6	300-2100*	Beneficial (low)	Beneficial (low)
Microalgae (miscellaneous)	21	5	280-2083*	Beneficial (low)	Beneficial (low)
Macroalgae (redfish)	38	10	365	Vulnerable (medium)	Vulnerable (high)
Warm-water corals	45	13	467	Vulnerable (medium)	Vulnerable (high)
Cold-water corals	10	13	445	Vulnerable (medium)	Vulnerable (high)
Annelids	10	6	1200	Tolerant (medium)	Tolerant (medium)
Echinoderms	54	14	510	Vulnerable (medium)	Vulnerable (high)
Mollusks (bivalves)	72	20	508	Vulnerable (medium)	Vulnerable (high)
Mollusks (gastropods)	7	8	50	Vulnerable (medium)	Vulnerable (high)
Mollusks (cephalopods)	10	8	2200 (850 for trace elements)	Tolerant (medium)	Tolerant (medium)
Bryozoans	7	3	549	Tolerant (low)	Vulnerable (low)
Ctenophores	47	27	700	Tolerant (low)	Tolerant (low)
Fish*	51	16	700	Vulnerable (low)	Vulnerable (low)

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**PACIFIC ISLANDS OCEAN ACIDIFICATION VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT**

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**Vulnerability of reef habitats**

- Lower aragonite saturation reduces calcification rates by ~10%
- Scleractinian corals, certain plankton (pteropods), molluscs, crustaceans, sea cucumbers
- Reduced coral reef growth and structural integrity; eventually bioerosion exceeds growth
- Increased susceptibility to other disturbances (e.g. storms, disease, borers)



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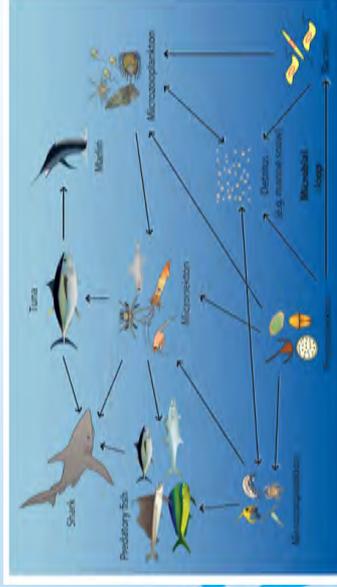
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**Vulnerability of reef fisheries**

- Loss of reef habitat & structure (indirect)
- Larval stages – reduced survival, growth, metabolism
- Larval reef fish loss of olfactory senses (detecting settlement habitat & predators)
- Reduced growth and more shell deformities in molluscs
- Altered sea cucumber larval survival and spicule strength
- Declining productivity



## Vulnerability of ocean habitats



- Decreased calcification of some plankton and micronekton
- Changes in oceanic food web (abundance of grazers and microbes)
- Minor indirect effects on tuna – skipjack, albacore, yellowfin & bigeye

## Vulnerability of tuna: prelim

- Reductions in yellowfin tuna larval growth and survival, and deformities
- Possible narrowing of optimal thermal performance window altering resistance, metabolic rate and behaviour of tuna
- Additional energy required to compensate for acidosis could lower growth rates and egg production
- Altered growth and formation of the aragonite ear bones (otoliths)



## Vulnerability of aquaculture

- Pearl oysters – reduced survival and growth of wild spat; weaker shells and reduced pearl quality
- Shrimp – possible deformities in blue shrimp due to thinner shell
- Seaweed - growth enhanced by higher CO<sub>2</sub>, however, likely to be offset by other climate impacts
- Marine ornamentals – weaker shells and deformities (giant clams), reduced growth and density (corals)



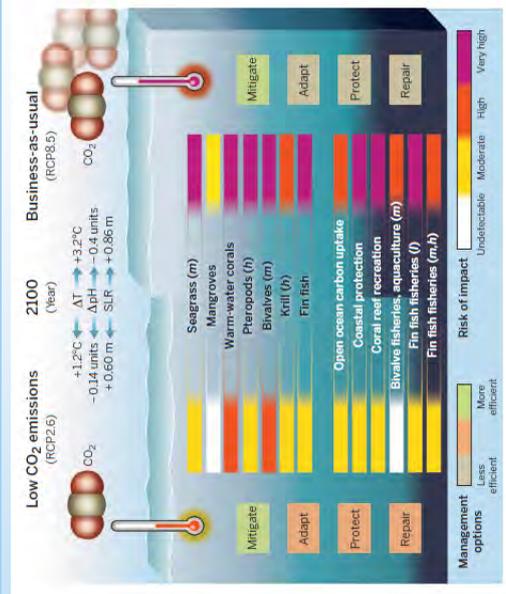
## Vulnerability Assessment findings

- Key drivers: high reef area, high household income dependence, poor governance and small economies
- Lack of provincial & local scales data (including coastal nutrient loading)
- Highlights the need for incorporating other livelihoods (e.g. aquaculture) and economic revenue (e.g. from tourism)

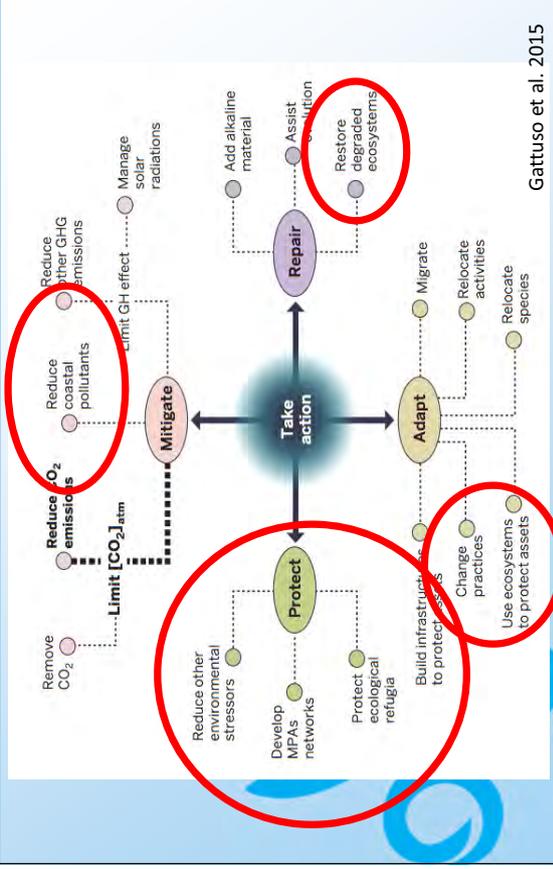


## Regional hot-spots

- American Samoa, CNMI, Fiji, Guam, Nauru, PNG, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Vanuatu for food security adaptations
- High vulnerability reef-dependent communities (Kiribati, Marshall Is, FSM, PNG, American Samoa, Solomon Is) for community-based adaptations that target food security, livelihoods and reef services (e.g. coastal protection)
- Cook Is, Fiji, French Polynesia, FSM, Kiribati, New Caledonia, Marshall Is, Palau, Solomon Is, Tonga, Vanuatu for aquaculture adaptations
- Case studies to improve understanding of OA vulnerability of key resources (e.g. pearl oysters in French Polynesia)



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Thank You

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Session 1-5 Moderator Speech  
**Discussion**  
**“Issues in the West Pacific Region”**



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Ocean carbon cycle and related biogeochemical parameters  
Biological impact of ocean acidification  
Methodology of national and regional greenhouse gas inventory

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### Discussion Topics of Session 1:

#### 1. Impacts on our oceans and corresponding issues

- Subarctic region
- Subtropical region
- Pacific island States

#### 2. Impacted areas and corresponding issues

- Coastal environment
- Ecosystems of offshore regions

#### 3. Necessary measures

- Increase observations
- Information dissemination
- Creation of research partnerships

## Session 2-1

# “Social Regional Impacts of Ocean Acidification in Japan”



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### Education

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“A marine ecosystem modeling applied to the subarctic time series observation”
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- Future Projection and mitigation/adaptation of effects of global warming and ocean acidification
- Education and research for developing renewable energy

# Anticipated impacts of ocean acidification on local societies in Japan



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## Outline

1. Introduction
2. Impacts on coral reefs in Japan
3. Impacts on Japanese fisheries and aquaculture

# Industries that may be affected by ocean acidification in Japan (million USD per year)

(cf. annual GDP of Japan in FY2014: 5,248,740 million USD<sup>1)</sup>)



**Fisheries & Aquaculture**  
 (14,107)<sup>2)</sup>



**Tourism & Recreation in coral reefs** (779)<sup>3)</sup>-2,399<sup>4)</sup>



**Jewelry coral fisheries**  
 (85)<sup>4)</sup>

Coastal defense services provided by coral reefs  
 (75-839)<sup>3)</sup>, 4)

<sup>1)</sup>Cabinet Office, Government of Japan  
<sup>2)</sup>Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (農林水産省統計部 漁業・養殖業生産統計年報)  
<sup>3)</sup>Cesar et al. (2003). The economics of worldwide coral reef degradation, WWF and ICRAN, 23pp.  
<sup>4)</sup>サンゴ礁保全行動計画策定会議サンゴ礁価値評価分科会  
 (https://www.env.go.jp/nature/biodic/coralreefs/pdf/project/development/210312\_mat01.pdf)  
<sup>5)</sup>http://www.hirobata.com/coral/

## Outline

- Impacts on coral reefs in Japan
- Impacts on Japanese fisheries and aquaculture

## Projected coral habitats in response to global warming and ocean acidification (Yara, Vogt, Fujii et al., 2012, Biogeosciences)

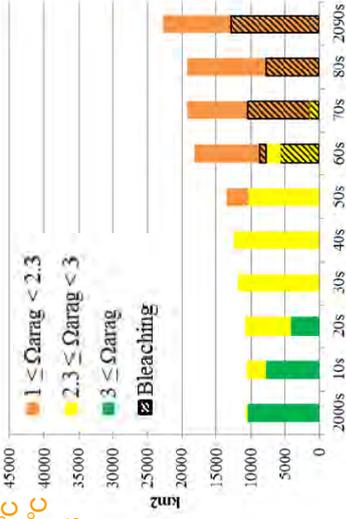
**Green lines: Northern limit of subtropical corals regulated by temperature**  
 (defined by annual minimum temperature of > 18°C)  
**Black lines: Northern limit of bleaching occurrence regulated by temperature**  
 (defined by annual maximum temperature of < 30°C)  
**Shades: Suitable coral habitats regulated by CaCO<sub>3</sub> saturation state**  
 (defined by annual minimum Ω of > 2.3)

## To estimate future change in economic values of Japanese coral reefs

$$\text{Change in economic values} = \int_{2000s}^{2090s} \Delta A(t) \times \Delta H(t) dt$$

$\Delta A(t)$ : change in the area of coral reefs (km<sup>2</sup>) regulated by:

- Annual min. SST of > 18°C
- Annual max. SST of < 30°C
- Annual min.  $\Omega_{arg}$  of > 2.3 (Yara et al., 2012; 2016)

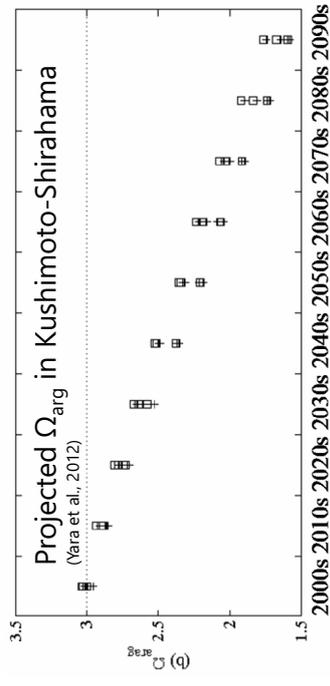


## To estimate future change in economic values of Japanese coral reefs

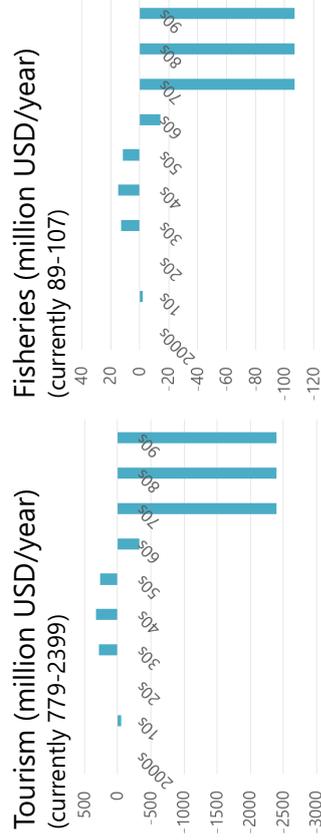
$$\text{Change in economic values} = \int_{2000s}^{2090s} \Delta A(t) \times \Delta H(t) dt$$

$\Delta H(t)$ : change in health condition of coral reefs

- Decrease by 15% per  $\Omega_{arg}$  (Chan and Connolly, 2013; van Hooidonk et al., 2004)



## Estimated future change in economic values of Japanese coral reefs



Estimated total economic loss in the 21<sup>st</sup> century

- Tourism: 22-67 billion USD
- Fisheries: 5-6 billion USD

## Outline

- Impacts on coral reefs in Japan
- Impacts on Japanese fisheries and aquaculture

### Fish catch in Japan (of FY2014)

Total catch: 14,107 (million USD per year) (~0.3% of total GDP)

#### Fisheries (69%)



Shellfish (7%)



Shrimps (2%)



Shellfish (6%)



Pearls (1%)

#### Aquaculture (31%)



Crabs (2%)



Sea urchins (1%)



Shrimps (1%)



Non-calcifiers (24%)

#### Non-calcifiers (57%)



Source: Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries  
(農林水産省統計部 漁業・養殖業生産統計年報)

### Suitable scallop culture areas regulated by ocean acidification and warming

Southern shift of suitable areas regulated by OA (defined by annual minimum  $\Omega_{\text{avg}}$  of  $> 1$ ) (Yara et al., 2012)

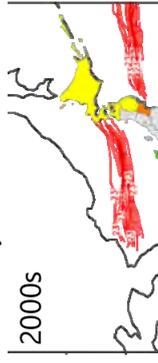


2000s

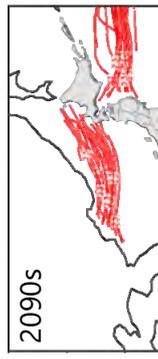


2090s

Northern shift of suitable areas regulated by warming (defined by annual maximum temperature of  $< 23^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) (Shibano et al., 2014)



2000s



2090s

No suitable scallop culture areas by the end of this century

### How about sushi in future ?



- Salmon egg
- Sea urchin
- Eel
- Surf clam
- Abalone
- Shrimp
- Scallop
- Crab
- Tuna

(http://www.ees.hokudai.ac.jp/carbon/m/fuji/en/research/)

### How about sushi in future ?



Present



by OA?



by global warming?



by overfishing ?

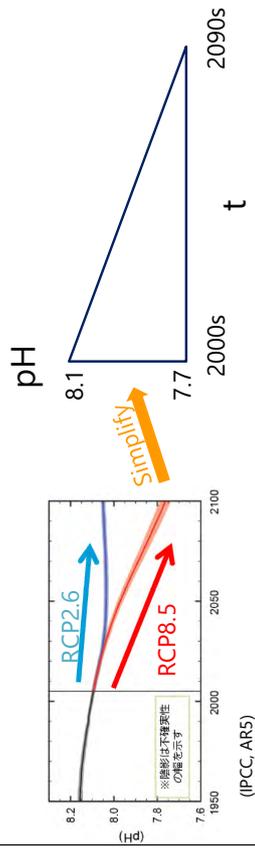


by OA + global warming + overfishing?

by OA + global warming + overfishing?

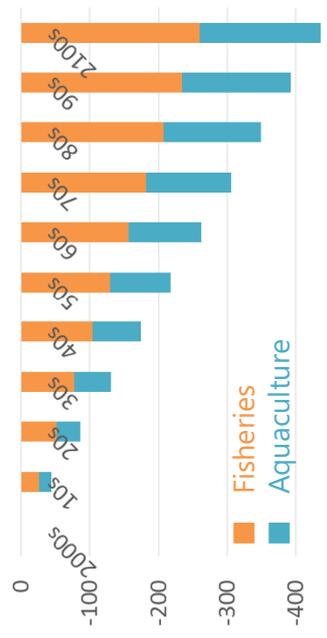
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### To estimate future change in economic values of Japanese fisheries and aquaculture



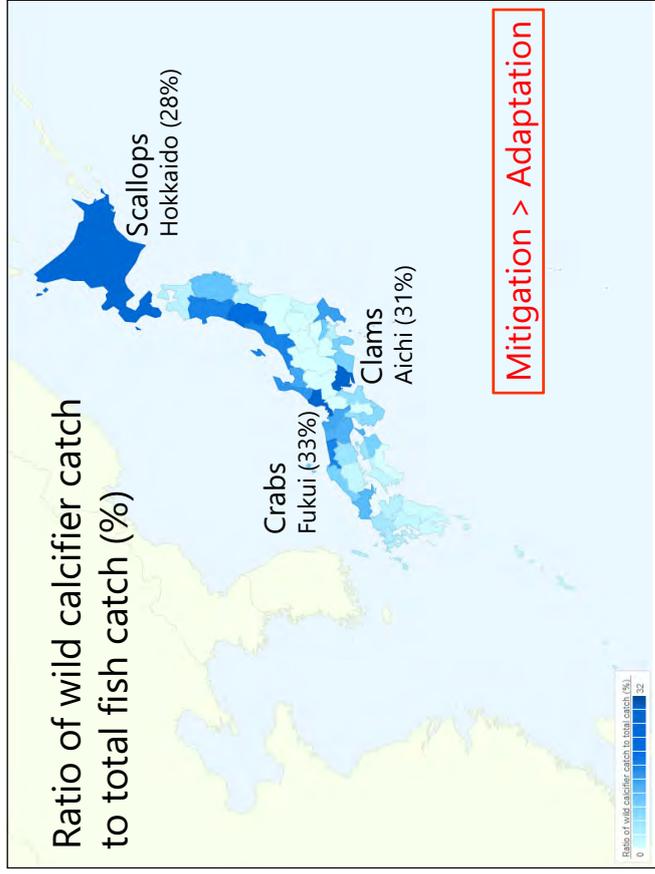
Economic change =  $\int_{2000s}^{2090s} \Delta G(t) dt$   
 $\Delta G(t) = \alpha \times \Delta pH(t)$   
 $\alpha = -0.1$  through  $-0.4$  (Wootton et al., 2008)

### Estimated future change in economic values of Japanese fisheries (million USD/year)



Estimated total economic loss in the 21<sup>st</sup> century  
 • Fisheries: 9-22 billion USD  
 • Aquaculture: 6-15 billion USD

### Ratio of wild calcifier catch to total fish catch (%)



### Ratio of cultured calcifier catch to total fish catch (%)



## Conclusion and Remarks

Estimated OA-derived economic loss in Japan in the 21<sup>st</sup> century

- Tourism in coral reefs: 22-67 billion USD
  - Fisheries in coral reefs: 5-6 billion USD
  - Fisheries and aquaculture in Japan: 15-37 billion USD
- Relatively large economic loss in coral reefs due to the extinction in future

Adaptation needed for aquaculture, esp. scallops, oysters, pearls and shrimps, all of which are very important to the local industries (for tourism as well as fisheries)

- Such as to raise larvae with lower-CO<sub>2</sub> conditions

Many uncertainties in future projection to be reduced, esp. for those caused by:

- Climate model structure
- Future scenario of greenhouse gas emissions
- **Biological adaptation to changing environments**
- **Other human impacts (population growth, overfishing etc.)**

Session 2-2

## “Mitigation Options - CCS and the Marine Environment”

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- E. Ocean acidification