



OCB Scoping Workshop on GBF-OOI
(Global Biogeochemical Fluxes Program for the Ocean
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***GBF-OOI Overview: Rationale, Objective
and Design***

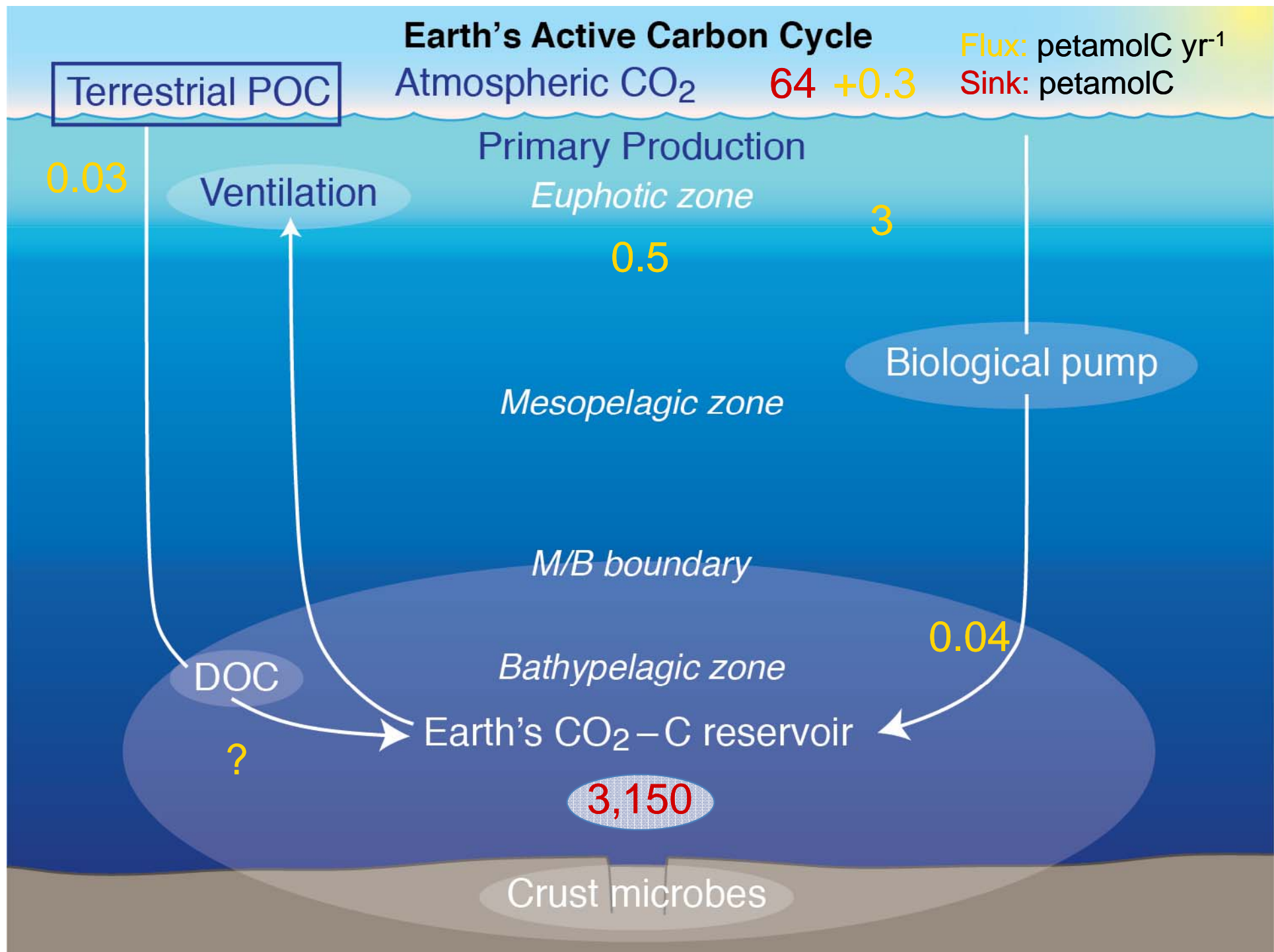
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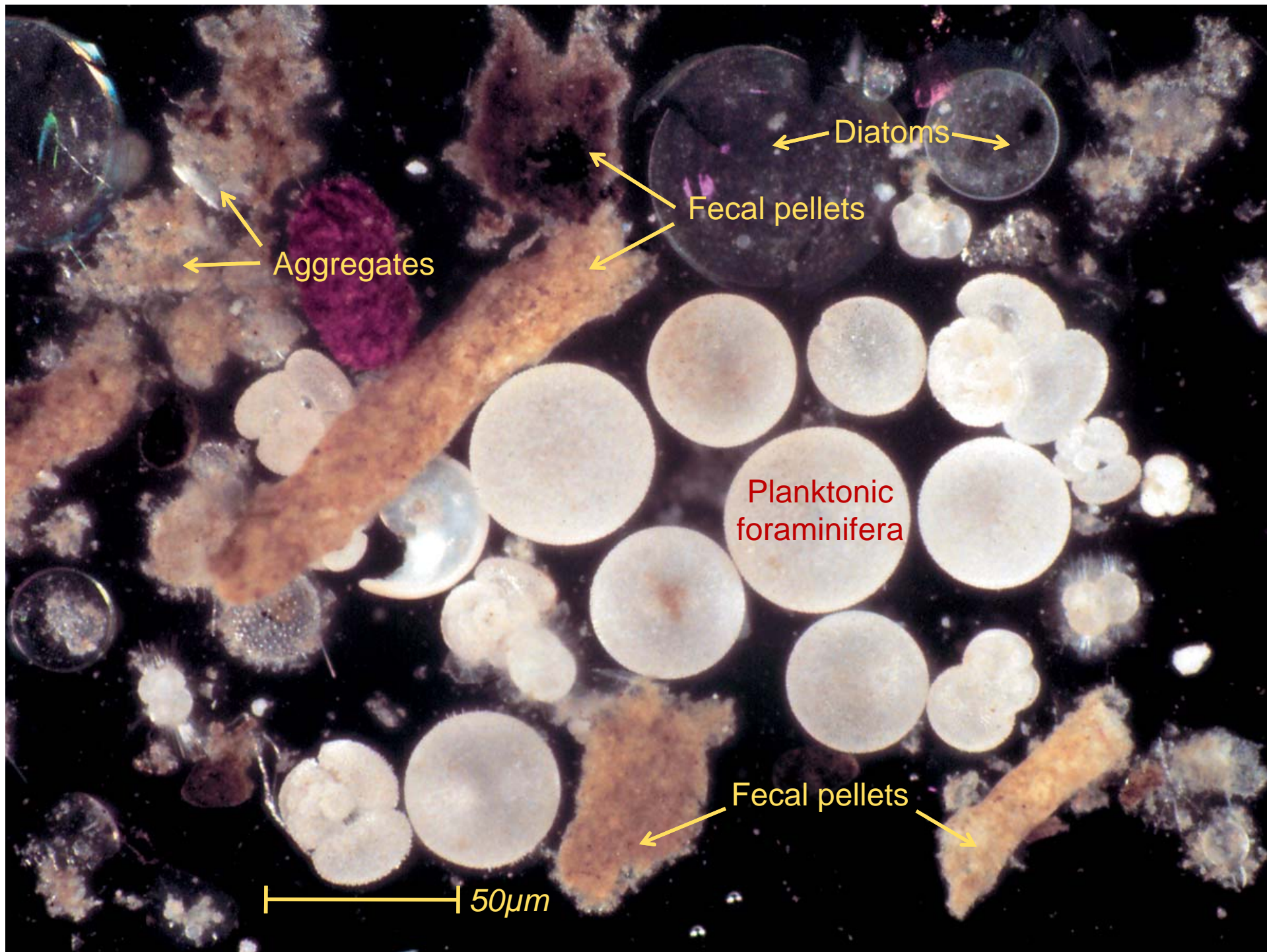
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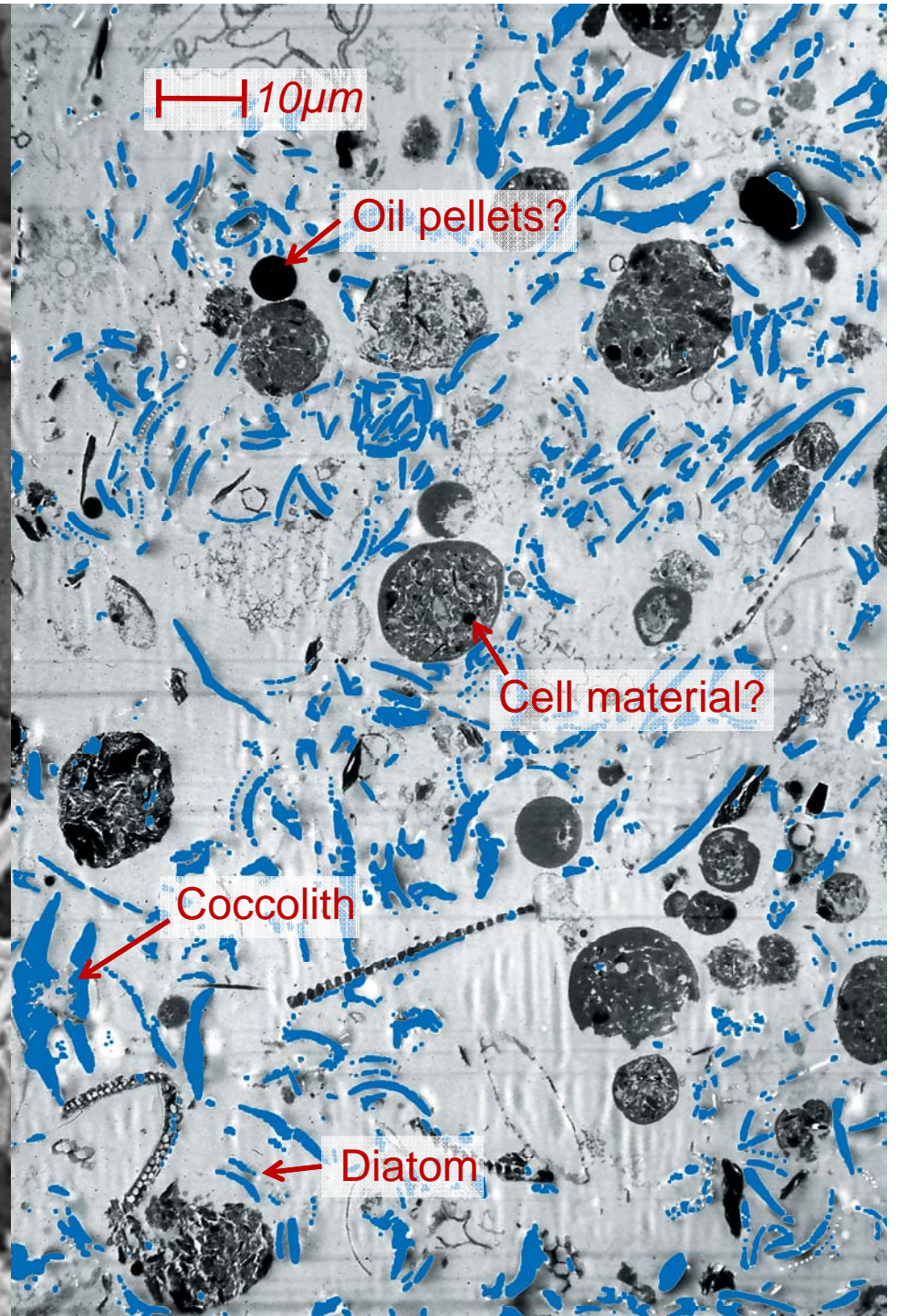
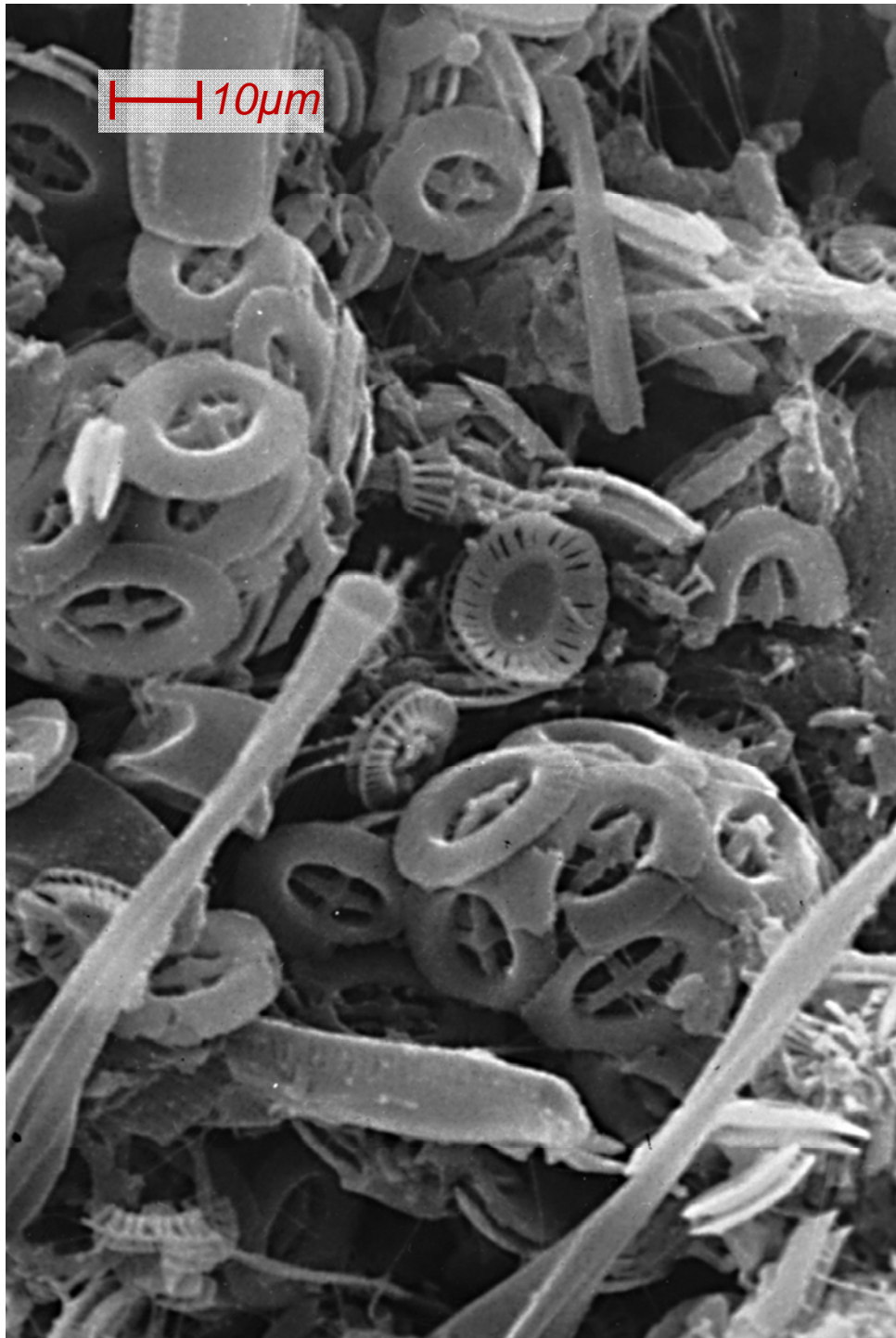
GBF-OOI Global Ocean Observatory

The Overarching Goal

To understand the global ocean carbon cycle, particularly the dynamics of **the *Global Biological Pump*** and its roles/effects over the ongoing ***Climate Change*** and radically improve our capacity to predict the Earth environment of the 21st century.







Universal Biogeochemical Elements: Expressed in molC, Si m² yr⁻¹ in this paper

Organic Carbon Particles

C_{org}: Particulate organic-carbon POC



50µm

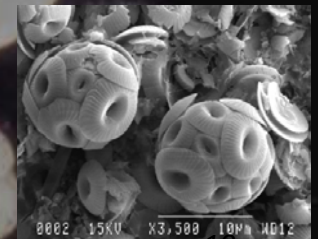


Archaea
Halobacteria sp.
Woese et al., 1990

1µm

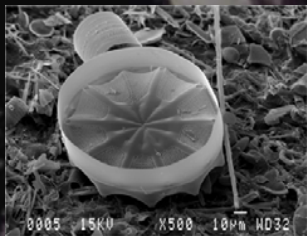
Ballast Particles

C_{inorg}: Biogenic CaCO₃-carbon PIC



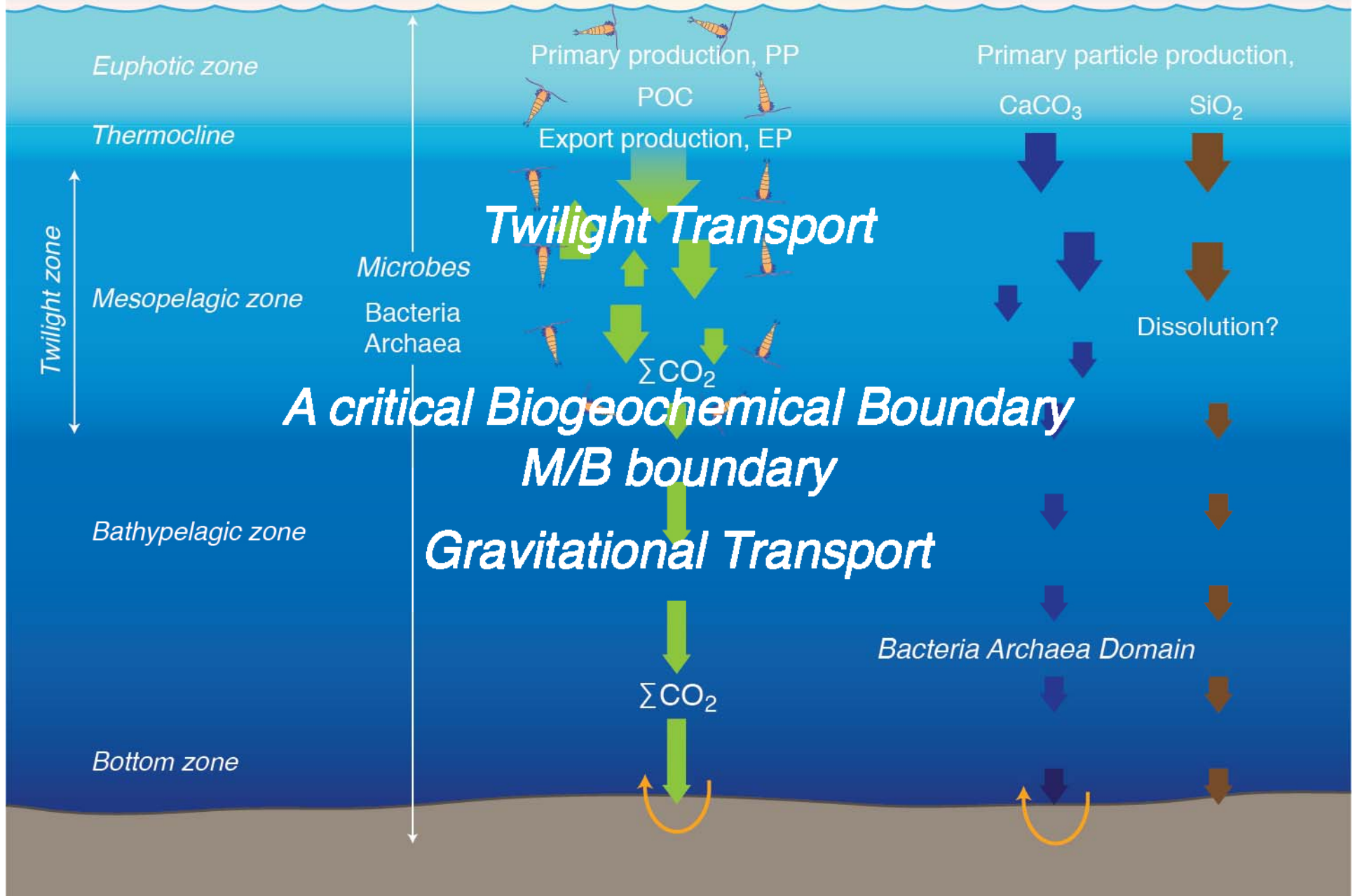
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Si_{bio}: Biogenic opal SiO₂·mH₂O PPSi_{bio}

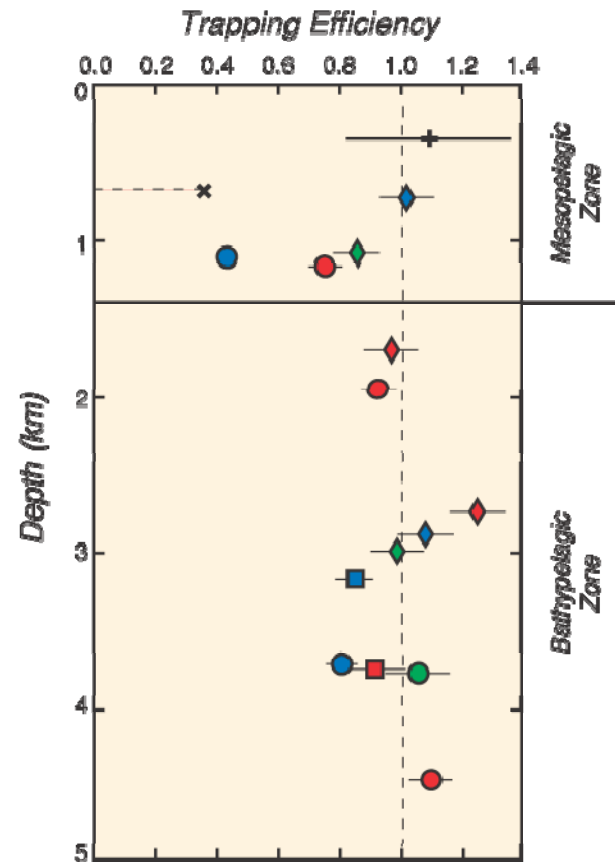


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Oceanic Ecosystems and POC Export Schematic

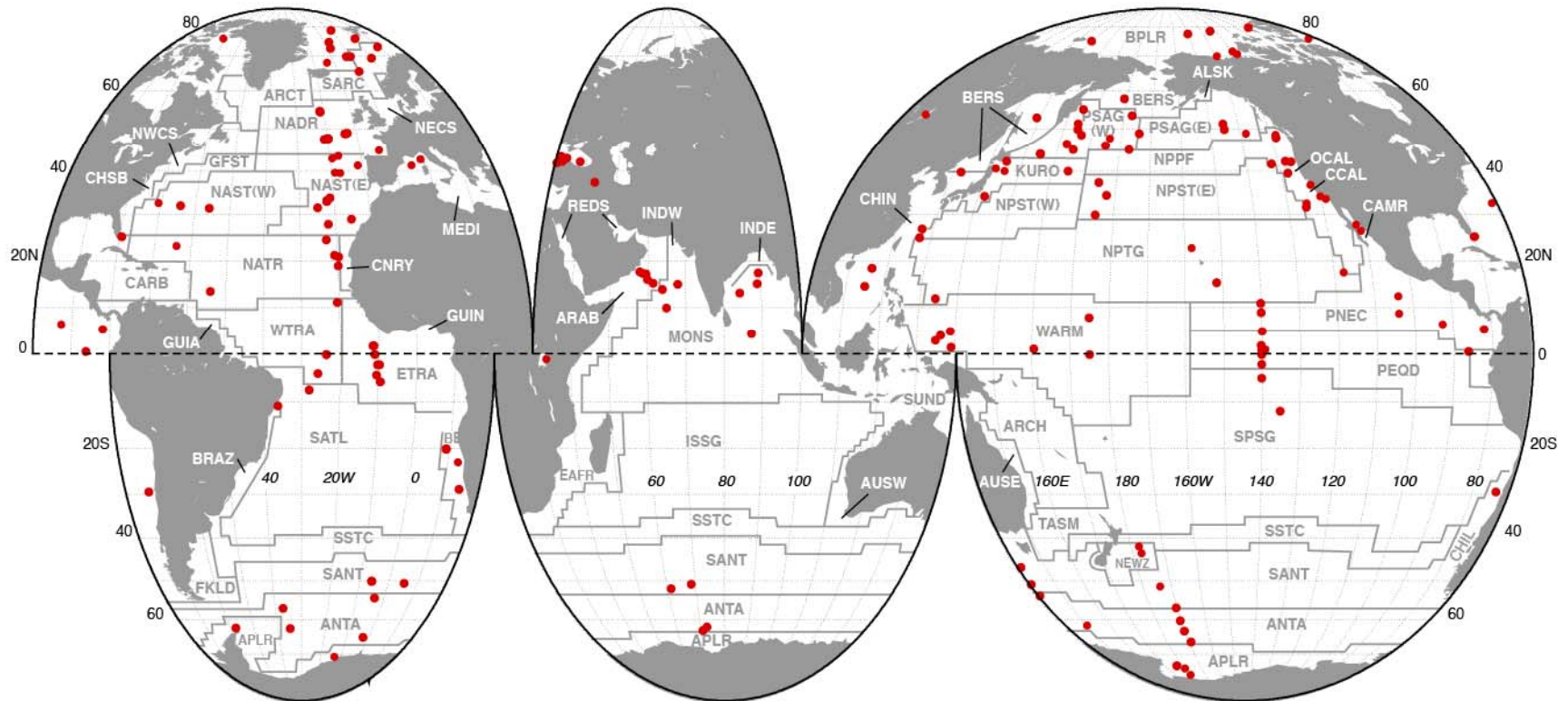


Trapping Efficiency Correction ^{230}Th and ^{231}Pa



- N. Atlantic - NABE 48°N
- N. Atlantic - Sargasso Sea
- ✦ Southern Ocean - Weddell Sea
- ◆ Indian Ocean - Arabian Sea WAST
- ◆ Indian Ocean - Arabian Sea EAST
- ◆ Indian Ocean - Arabian Sea CAST
- N. Pacific - Station 'PAPA'
- Eq. Pacific - Panama Basin
- N. Atlantic - NABE 34°N
- ✦ Southern Ocean - PFZ

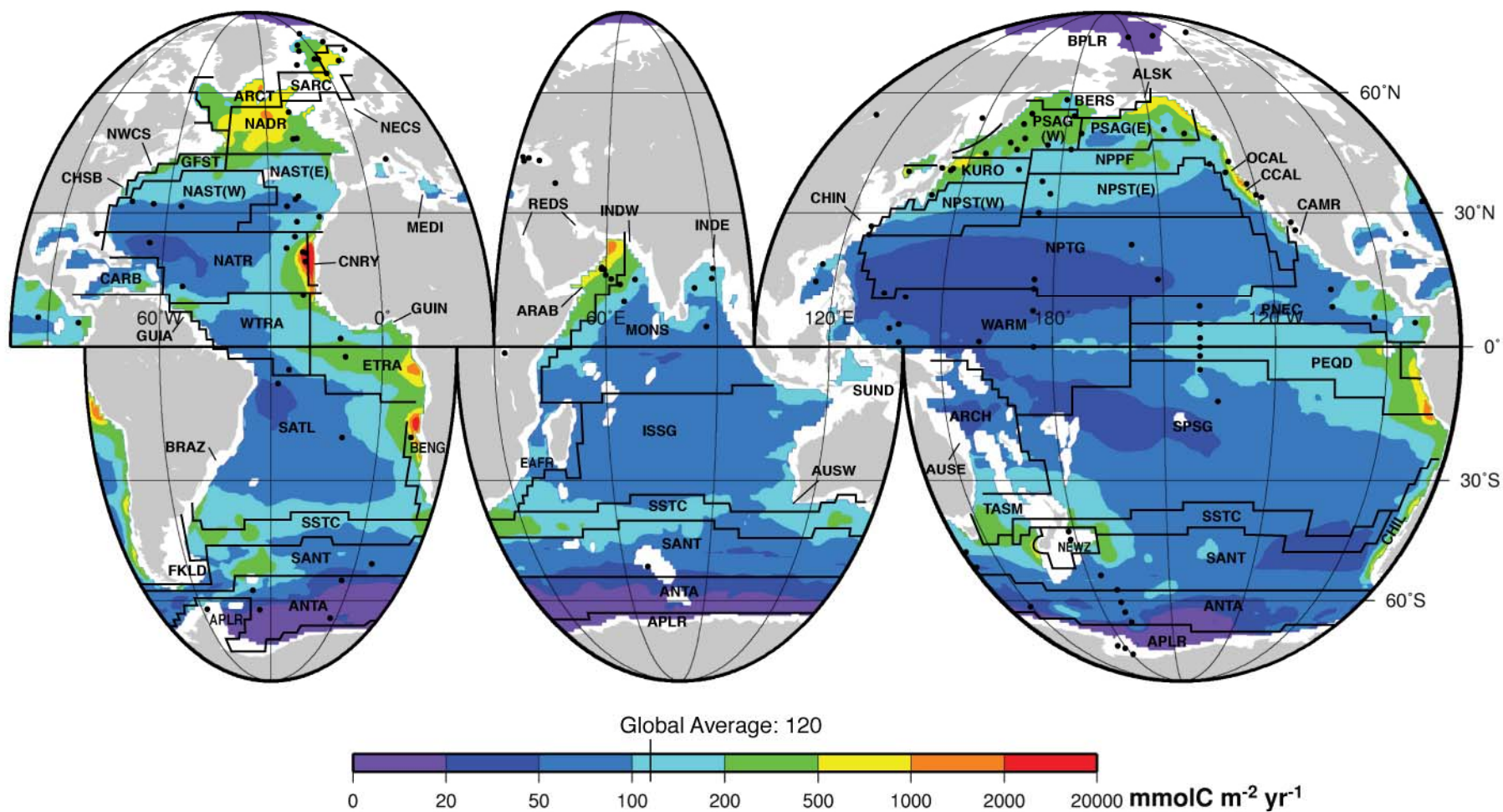
132 Annual Stations at M/B Depth, 1983-2008



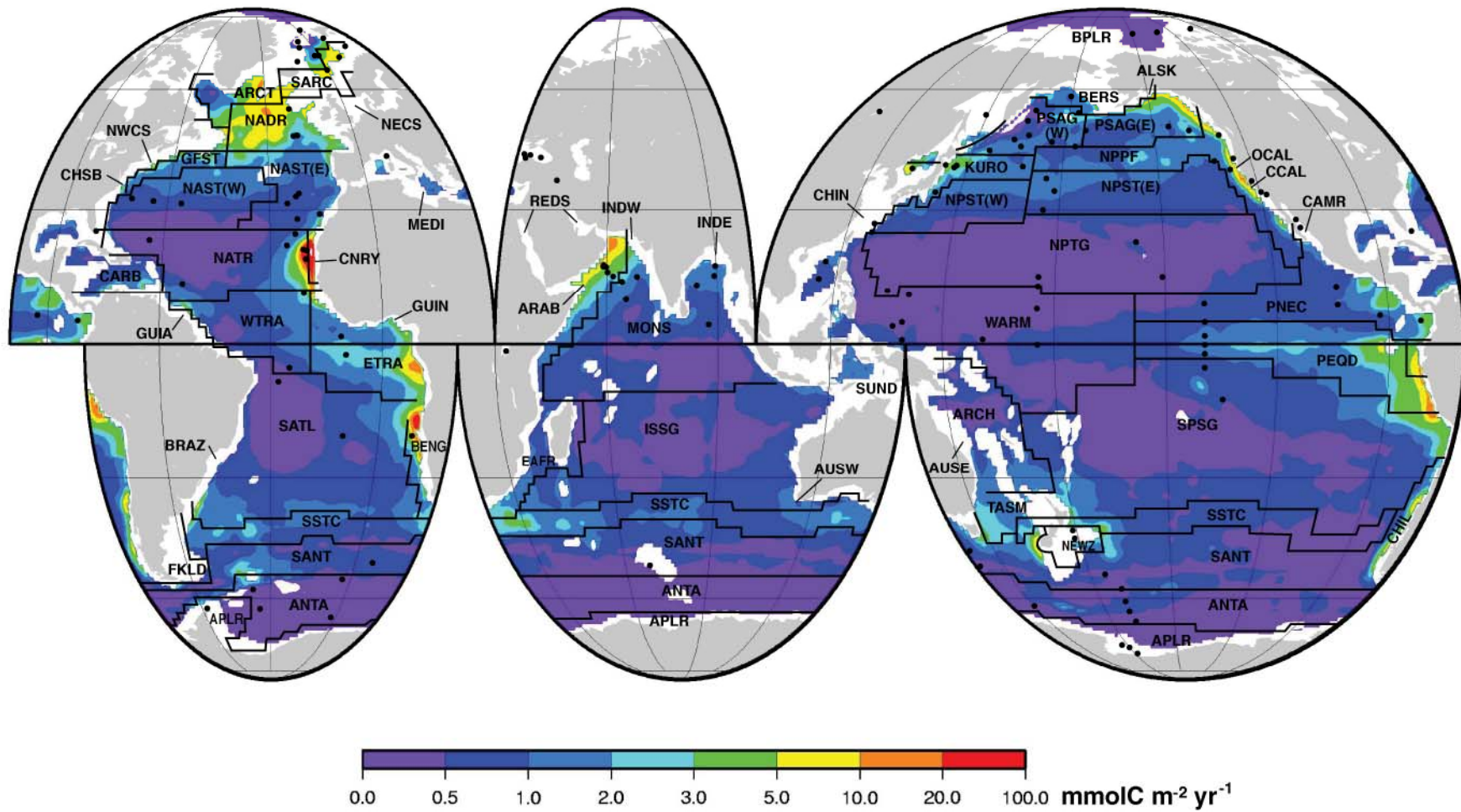
Biogeochemical Provinces: Longhurst, et al., 1994

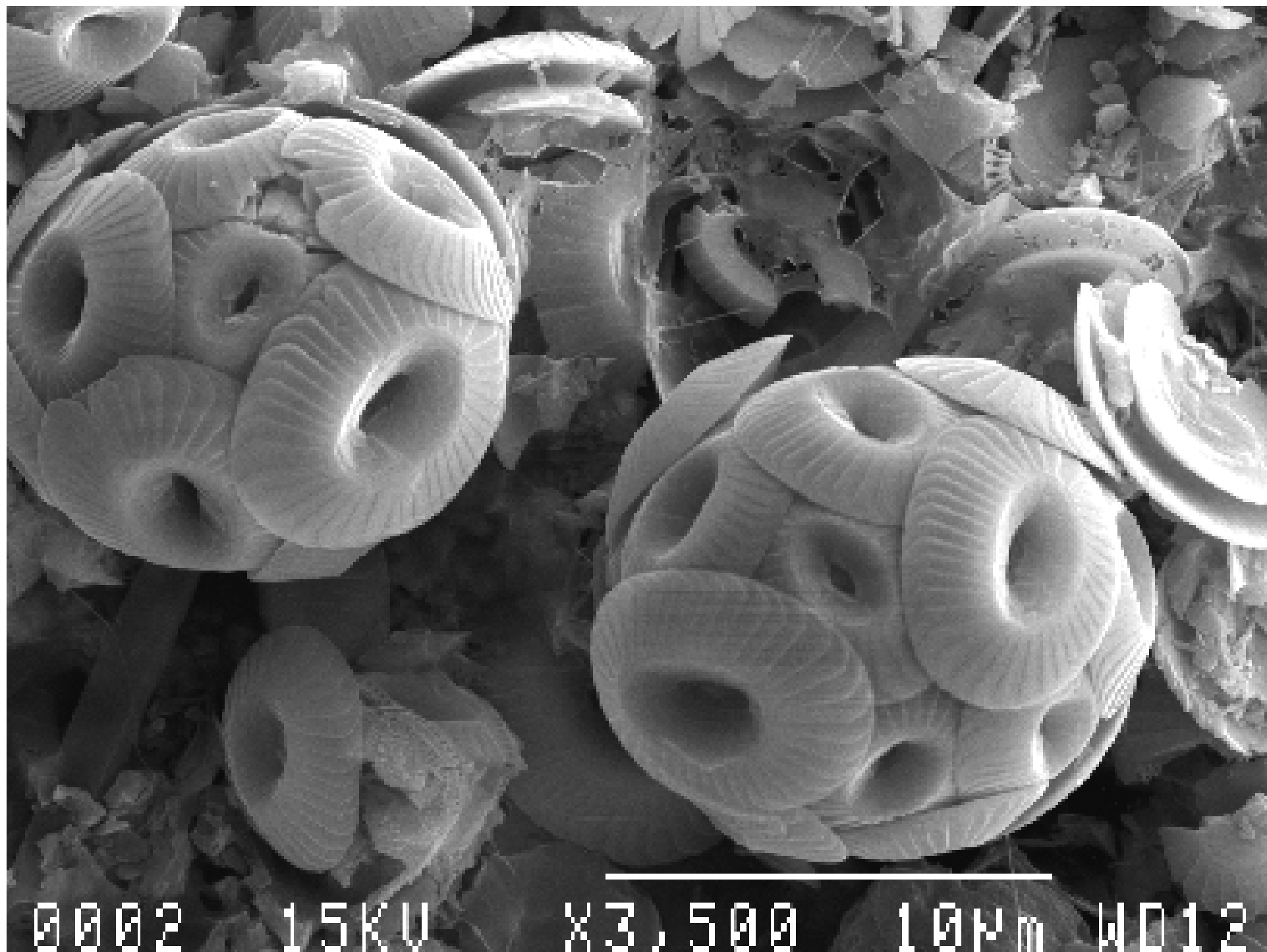
Over 1,700 elemental analyses (POC, PIC, Ca, Si, and lithogenic elements) are available.

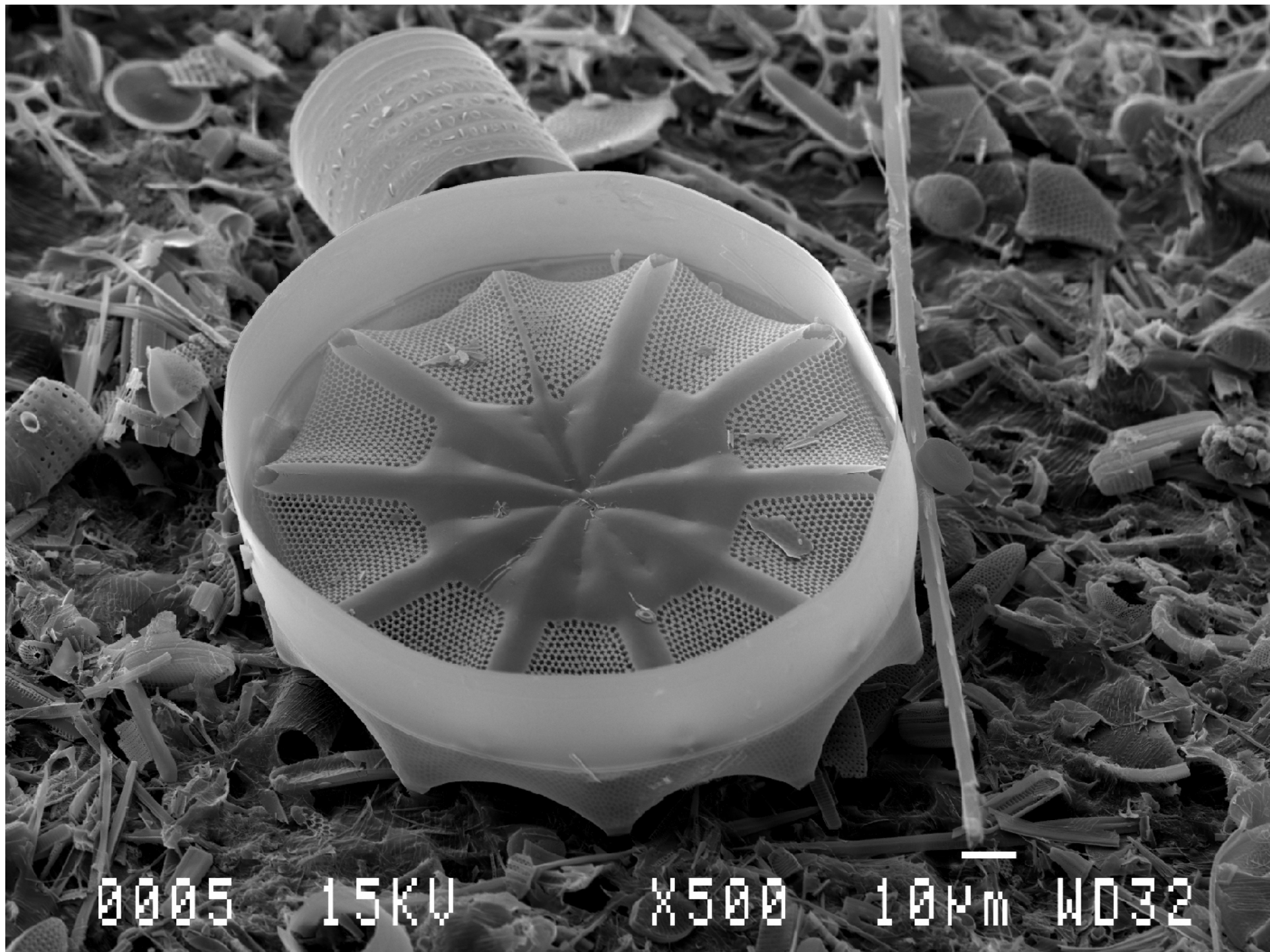
Organic Carbon Export Flux ($F_{m/b}C_{org}$)



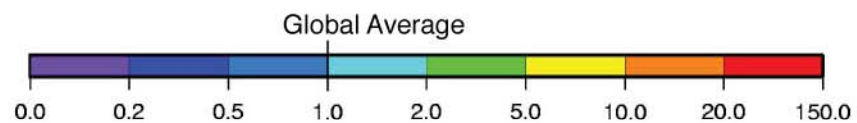
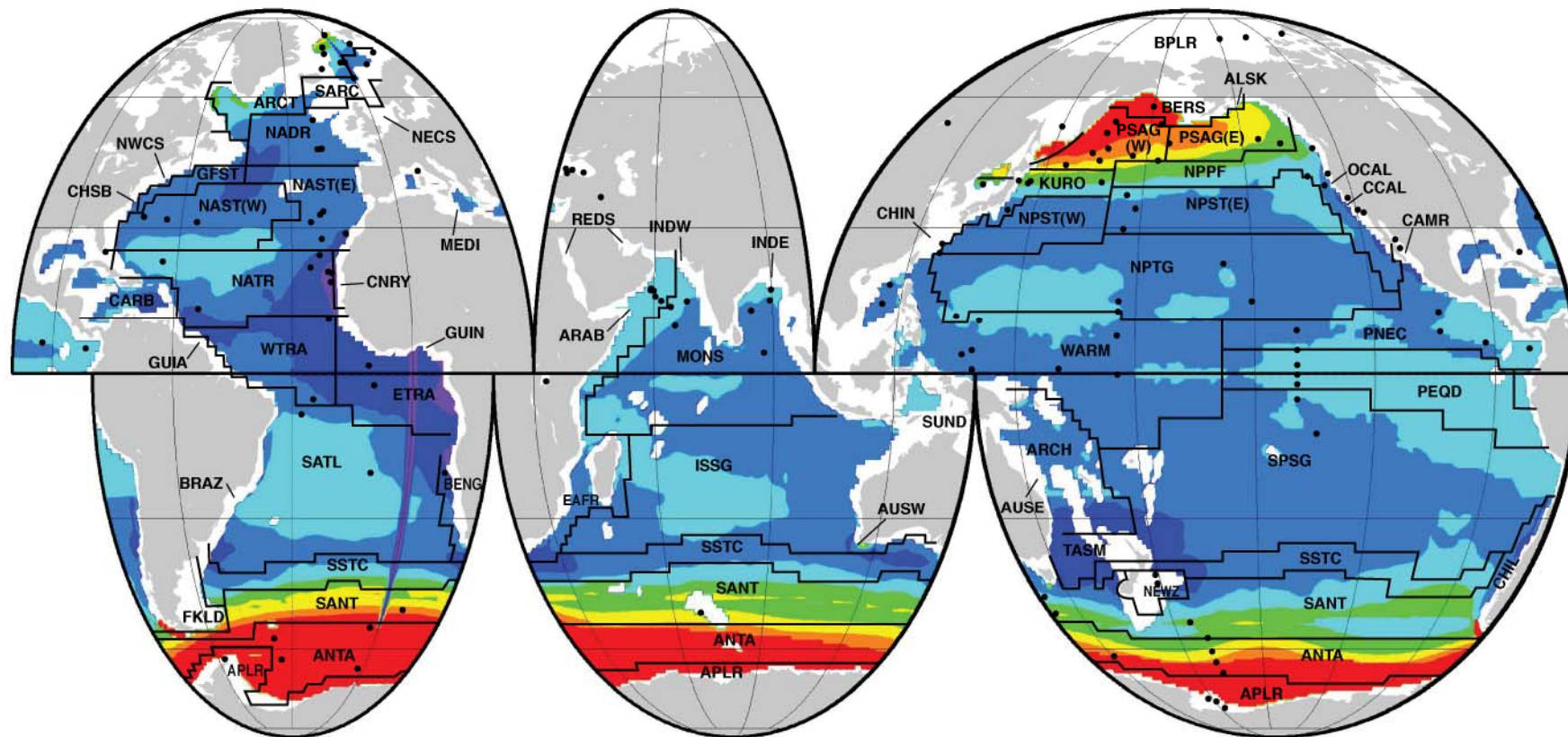
Delivery Rate of C_{org} at the Global Ocean Floor



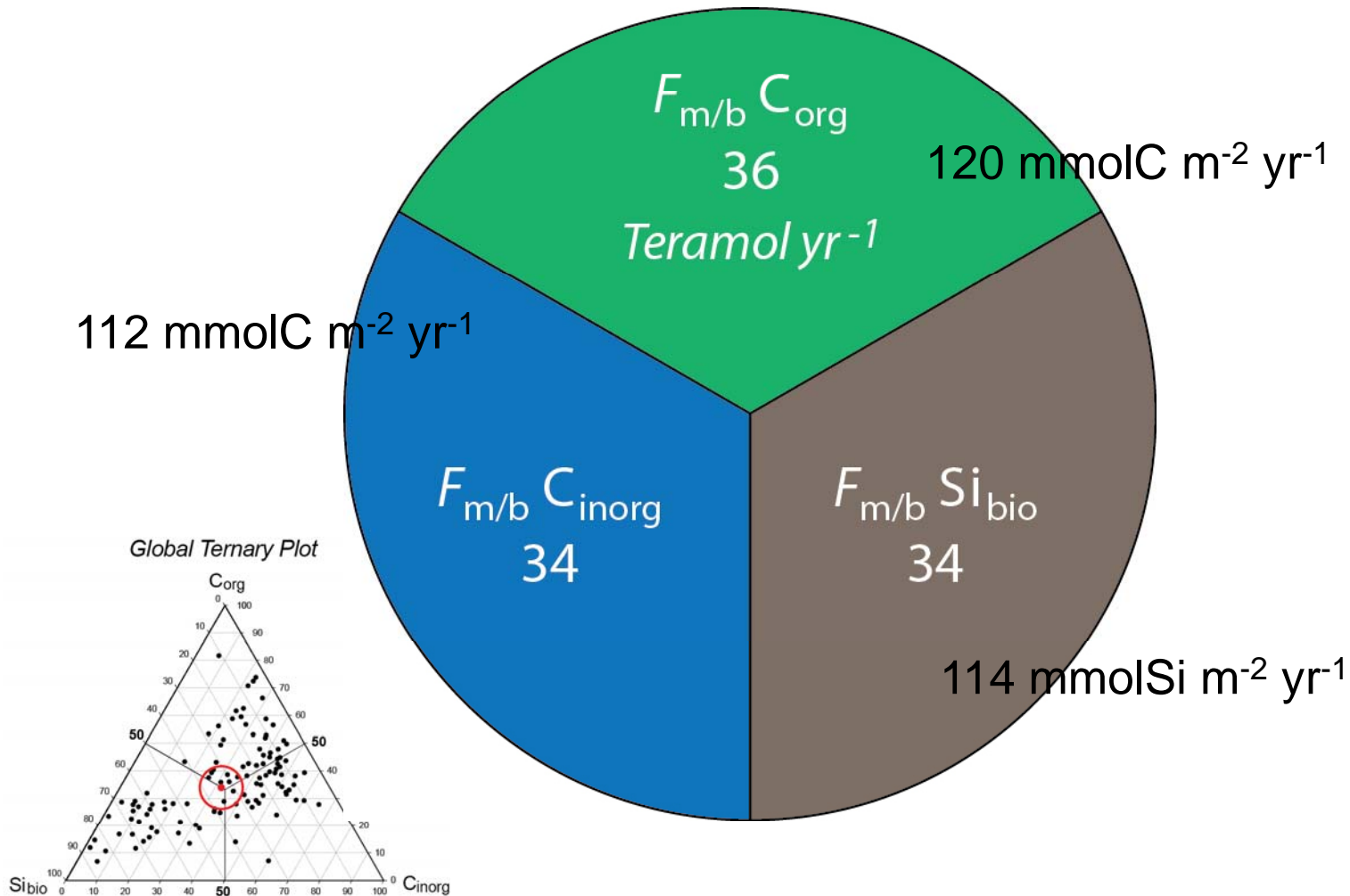




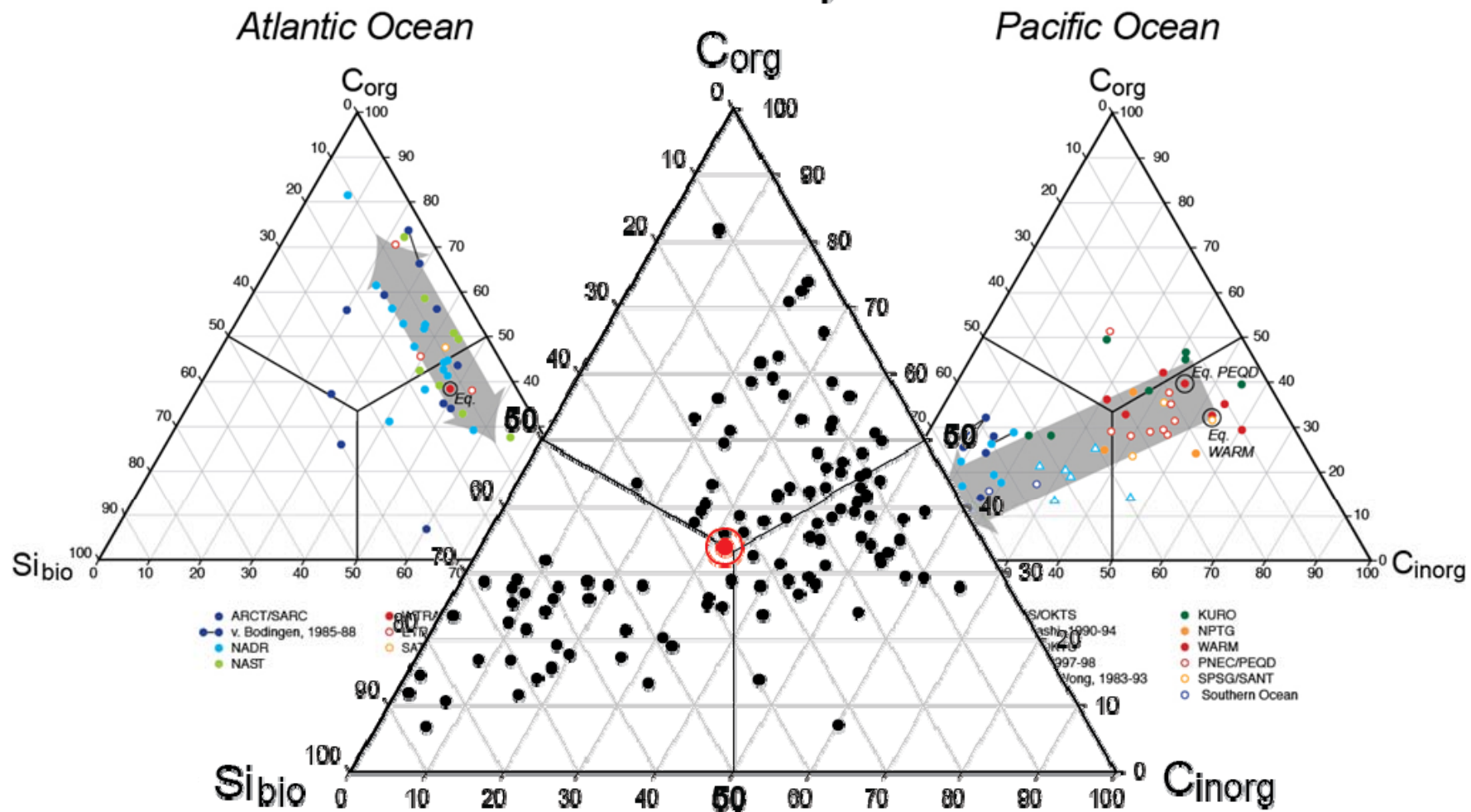
$$\text{Ratio: } F_{m/b} S_{i_{bio}} / F_{m/b} C_{i_{inorg}}$$



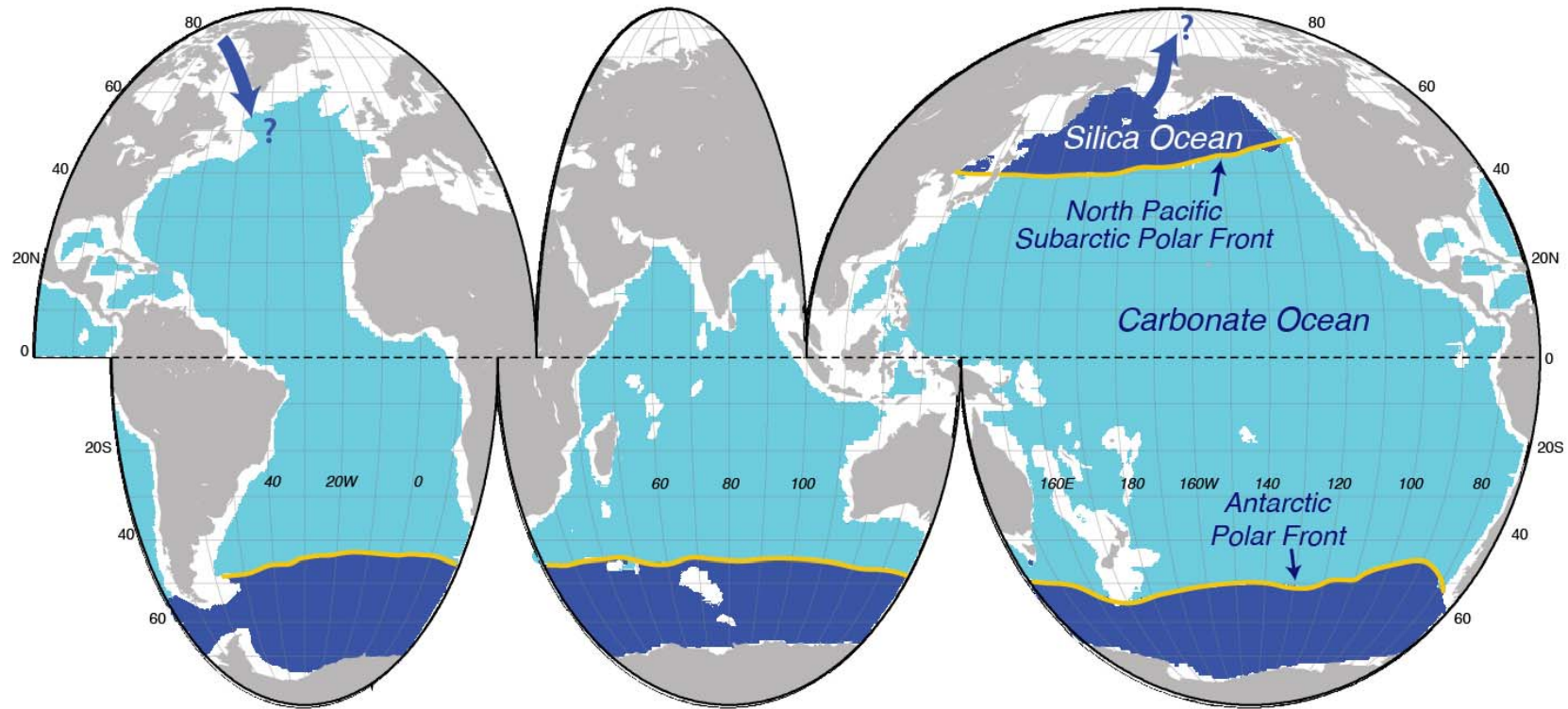
Global Total Fluxes of C_{org} , C_{inorg} and Si_{bio} at m/b (teramol C, Si, yr^{-1})



Global Ternary Plot

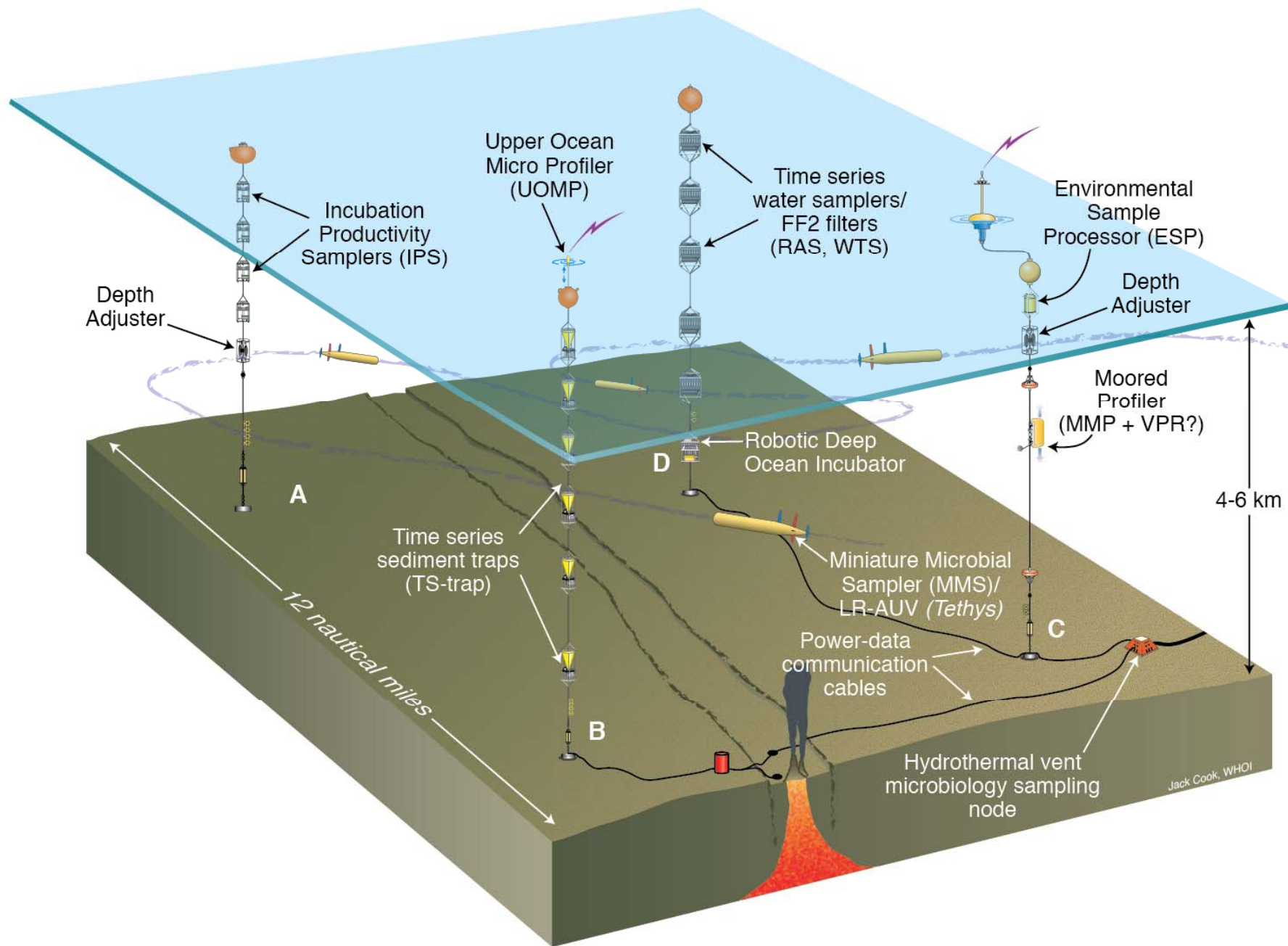


Carbonate vs. Silica Ocean



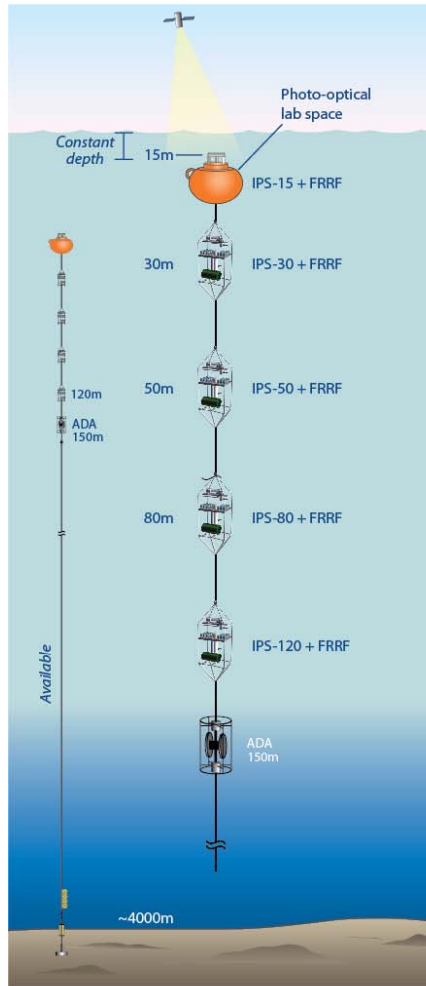
Silica Ocean: $F_{m/b}Si_{bio}/F_{m/b}C_{inorg} > 1$, and
 $F_{m/b}C_{org}/F_{m/b}Si_{bio} \leq 1$

Carbonate Ocean: Rest of the pelagic ocean



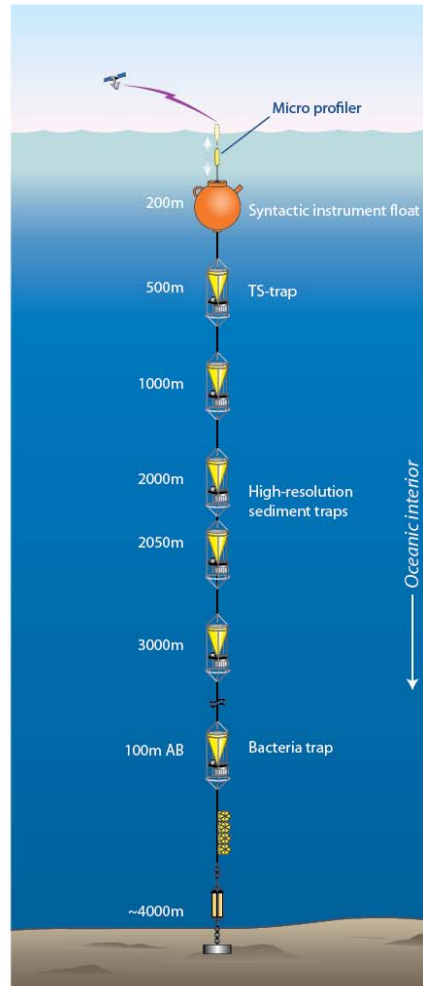
GBF-OOI Platform Configuration (Example)

A. Primary Productivity Platform



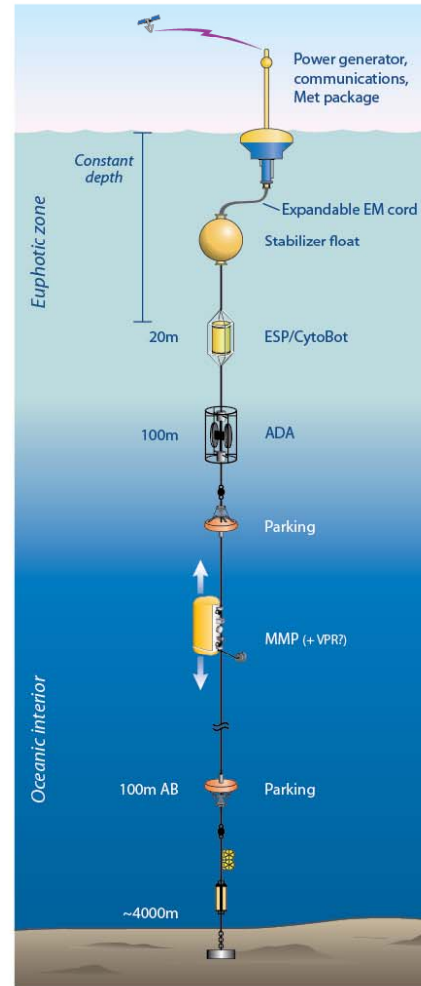
x5 IPS-FRRF combo
Surface water lab.
ADA-controlled.

B. Export Flux Platform



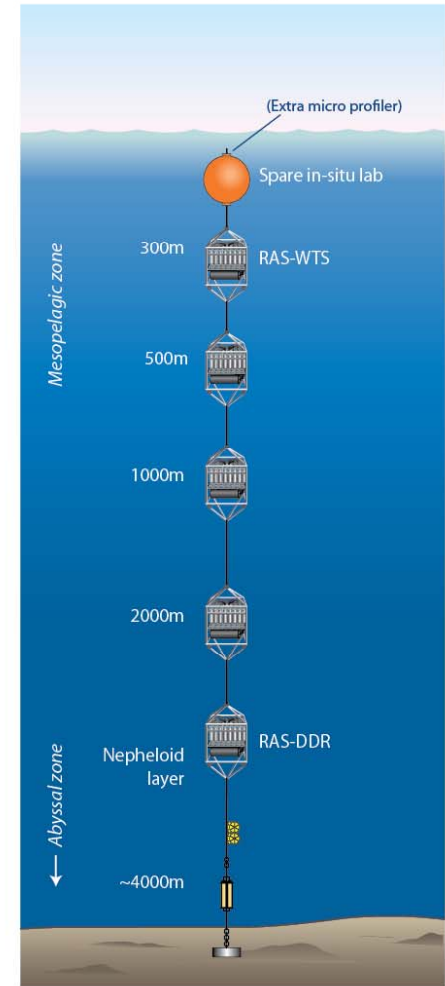
Micro profiler (upper 200m)
>6 TS-traps
Bacteria sampling units

C. ESP-MMP Platform



Power generator platform
ESP (and/or CytoBot)
MMP, 100m from bottom
ADA-controlled.

D. TS Water/Particle Sampler Platform



>5 PAS-PPS (FF-2)
Discrete DNA, RNA Samplers

Basic Methodology Discussed: Space-temporal Control of GBF-OOI Observatory

The Observatory covers entire water column (surface film to deep sea hydrothermal vent) with the equal emphasis on a depth of measurement:

Time-series control of measurement and sampling timings:

All timings to initiate “on-off” or “start-stop” of instruments at all depth, on any platforms or observatories, will be always *controlled by a single Grand-Time-Table*.
This concept must be more explained!

Decision of Global locations of Observatories:

The first observatory will be deployed at a site with GBF significance and the location with significant technological advantage such as OOI’s RSN N2, *the south edge of the Juan De Fuca Plate (post-Workshop suggestions; not a conclusion as yet)*.

Total duration of GBF-OOI Observatory Program:

Many participants expressed duration must be in the order of a few decades.

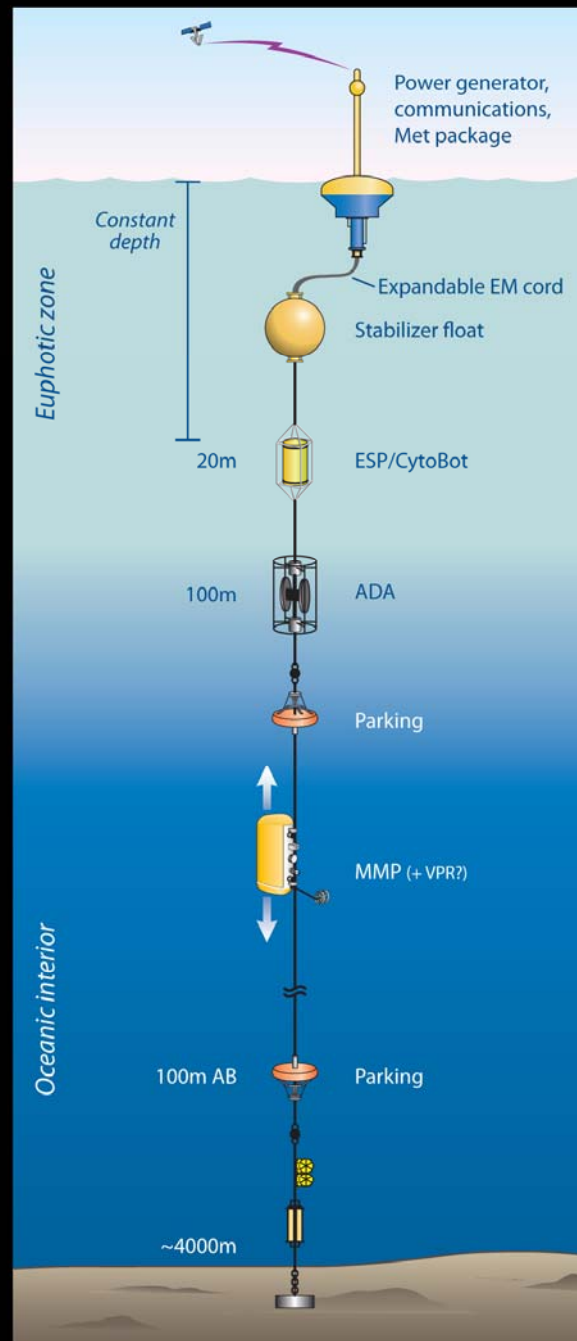
Hopefully: 40 years; “May enable us to resolve the anthropogenic forces (Hanson et al., 2011).” The balance between the data acquisition and the advancing computation speed was argued.

Table 2: Current status and risks of some long-term time-series instruments and performance goals

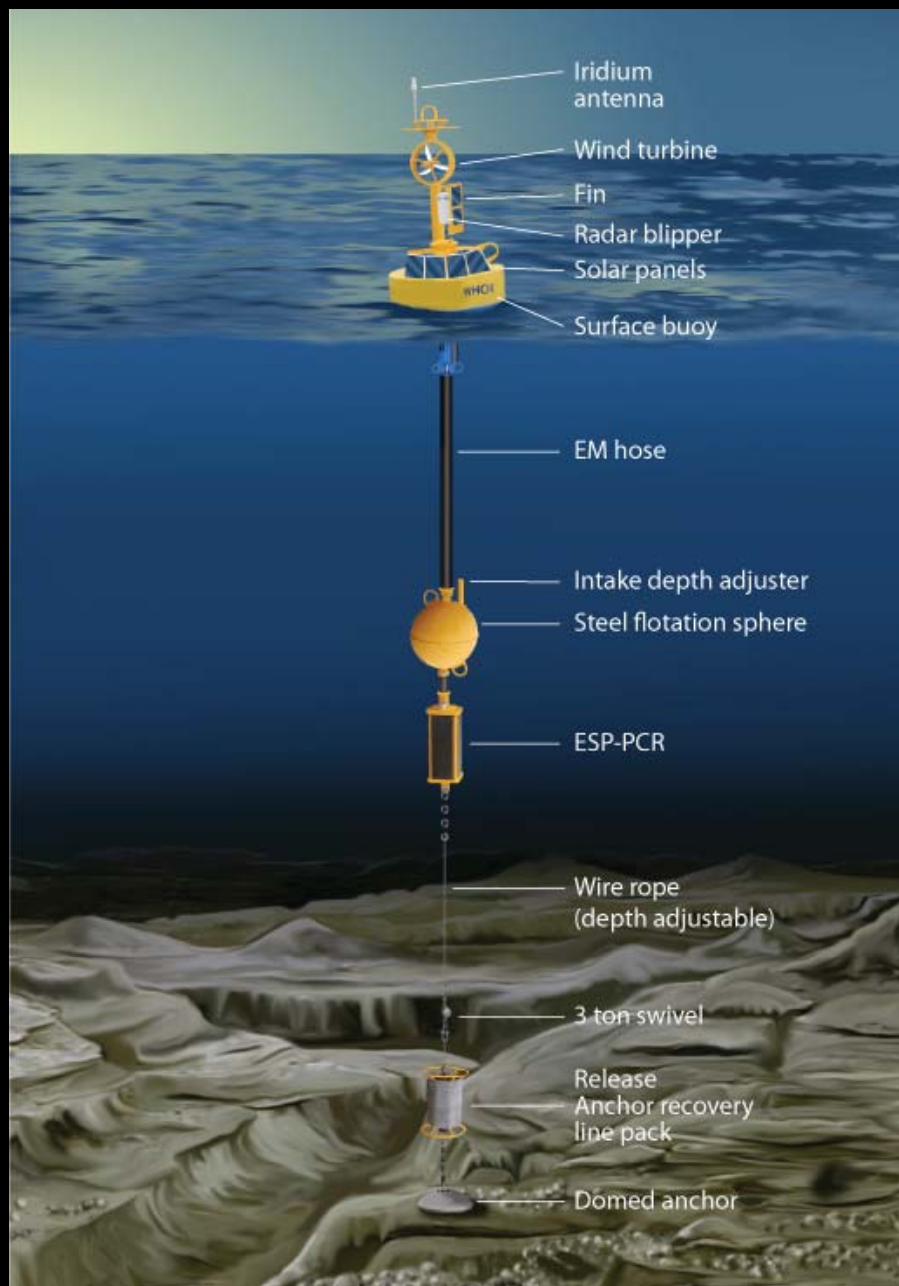
<i>Mooring</i>	<i>Device</i>	<i>Abbrev.</i>	<i>Endurance*</i>	<i>Measurements/Activity</i>	<i>Status in 2010</i>	<i>Needs</i>	<i>Risks in 2012</i>	<i>R&D Funding</i>	<i>Status in 2017</i>
A	Incubation Productivity System	IPS	12	Time-series primary production via robotic multi-isotopic phytoplankton incubation	Used in field operations; Publications	More field tests	small risk	Mass spec. techniques	Routine 9-tracer incubation
A	Rapid Repetition Rate Fluorometer/Particle Transmissometer	FRR/PTM	12	Time-series primary production via advanced optical scattering/particle transmissometry	Used in field operations; Publications	Final development	small risk	Biofouling prevention for optimization	Early stage OOI data collection
B	Time-Series Sediment Trap	TS-trap	12	Export Flux	Stable technology: multiple publications	Accessory devices	no risk	No Additional	Video/still imaging in the cone
C	Environmental Sampler	ESP	12	In situ autonomous time-series micro-fluvial DNA/RNA assay collection	Successful field tests; publications	More field tests	some risk	Miniaturization; add PCR	PCR capacity; miniaturization
D	Remote Access Sampler/Water Transfer Sampler	RAS/WTS	12	Time-series discrete water/particle collecting device	Stable technology: multiple publications	Accessory devices	no risk	Perfection of bio-molecule preservation	Multiple adsorption columns
D	Autonomous microbial sampler	AMS	12	Uncontaminated samples of Eukarya/Bacteria/Archea	Used in field operations	sample preservation	modest risk	long-term preservation	Time-series sampling
A	Moored Profiler	MMP	12	Continuous profiling of water-column by CTD, vectors, optics.	Semi-stable technology; publications	Higher power	small risk	User specifications	Video plankton recorder
B	Euphotic Zone Micro-Profiler	EMP	12	Profiling of upper 200 m by CTD, optics, O ₂ .	Under development	Under R&D	some risk	More sensors	Risk-free profiling up to 4 times/day
C	MicroGrid Buoy/Communication Tower	MG-Buoy	>24	Advanced, power-generating, communications bouy	Apply existing technology	More R&D w. EOM-MRL	small risk	More comms. capacity	More power
C	Communications	COM	12	Irridium statelite phone system to transmit ESP assay and other sensor data once a day	Apply current OOI exisiting technology	Fast development	small risk	More experts' participation in GBF	Radically improved
A, C	Automated Depth Adjuster	ADA	>24	Allows IPS and ESP to stay at 15-20 m.	Prototype testing; Patent application	High reliability	small risk	R&D for bi-directional depth	Bi-directional depth adjustment capacity

* months

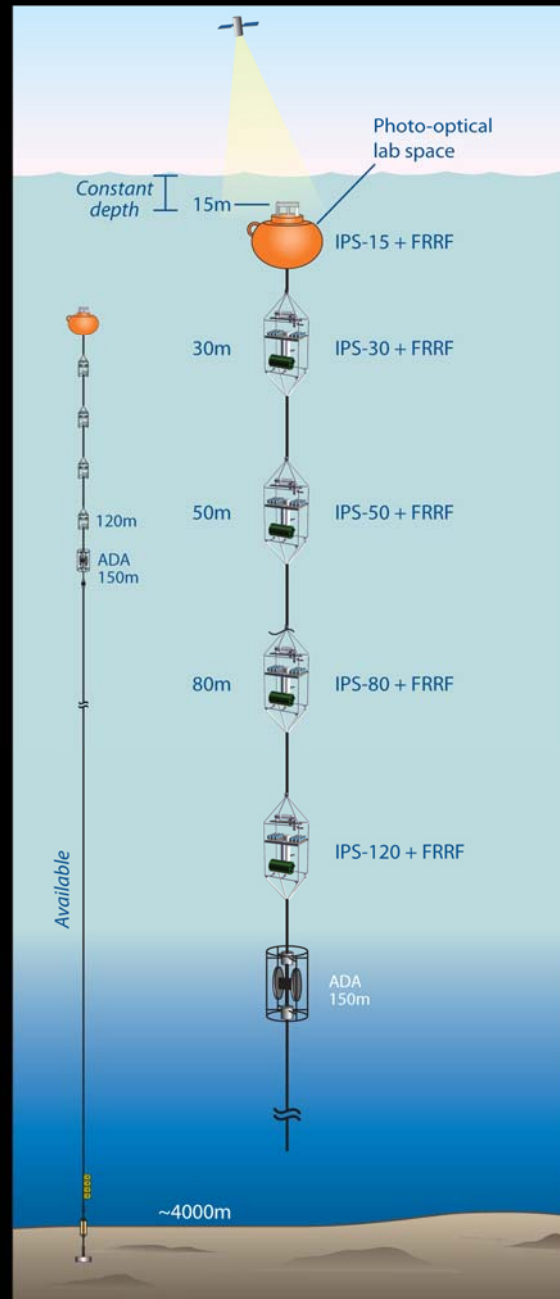
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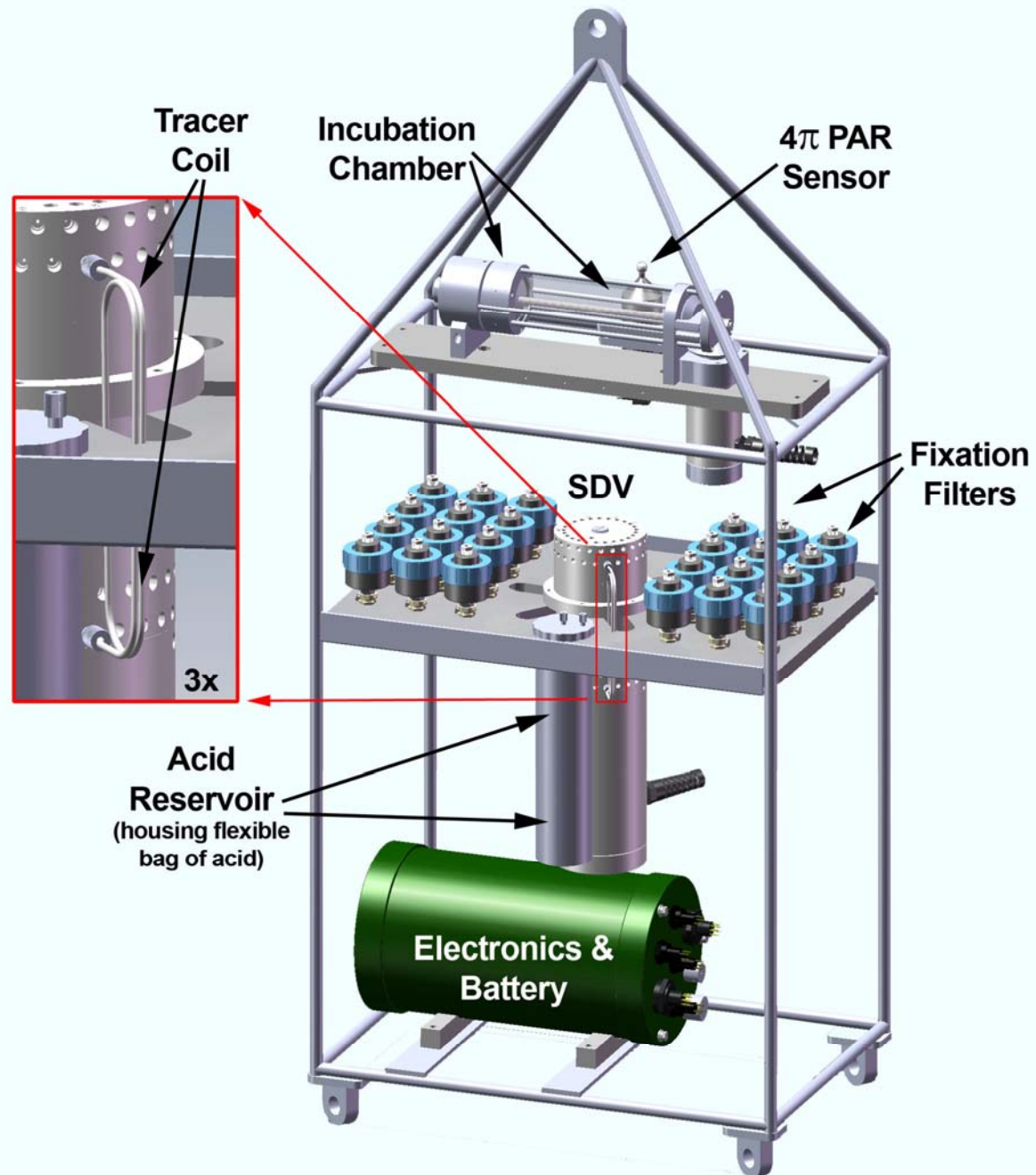






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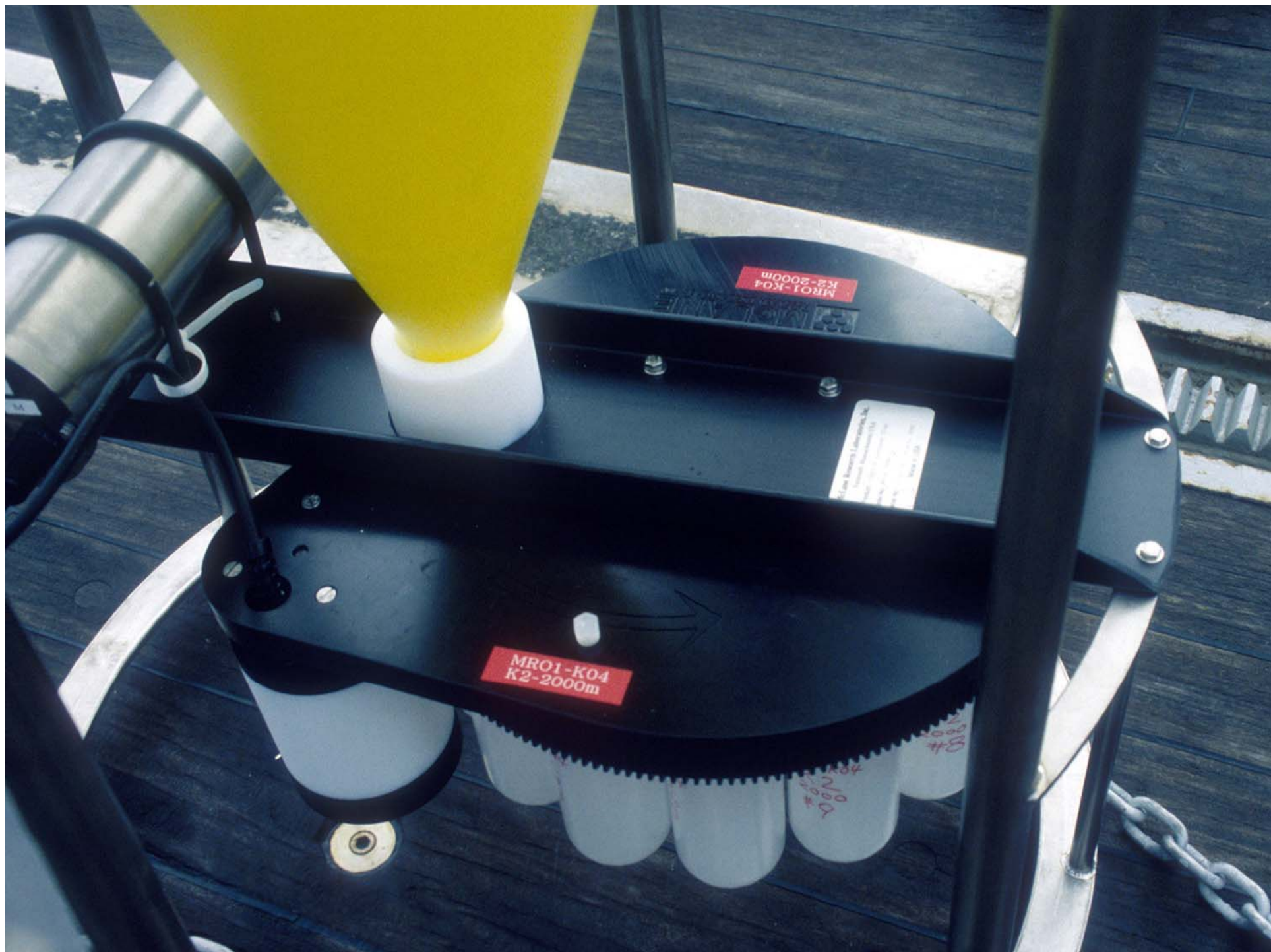




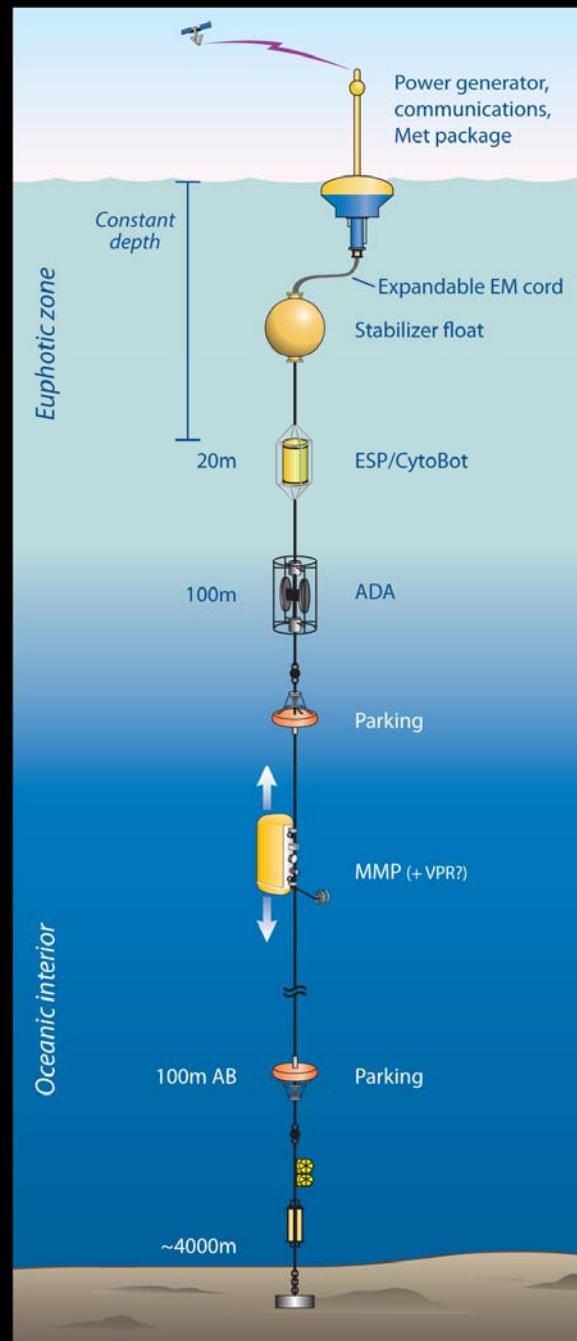
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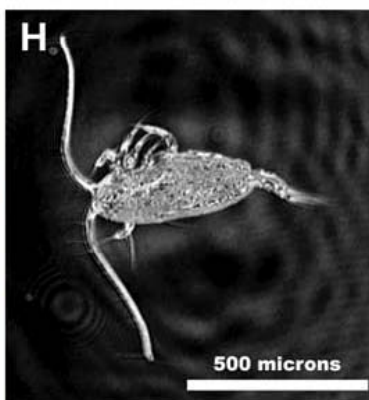
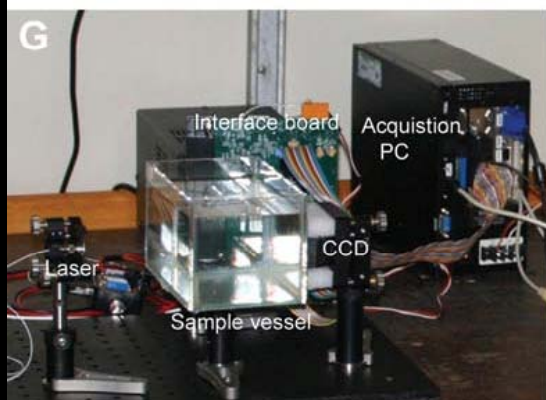
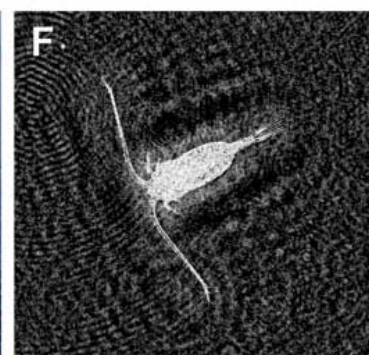
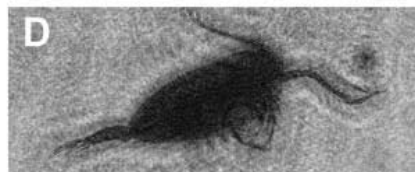
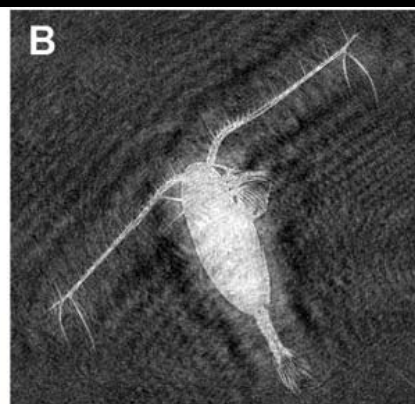


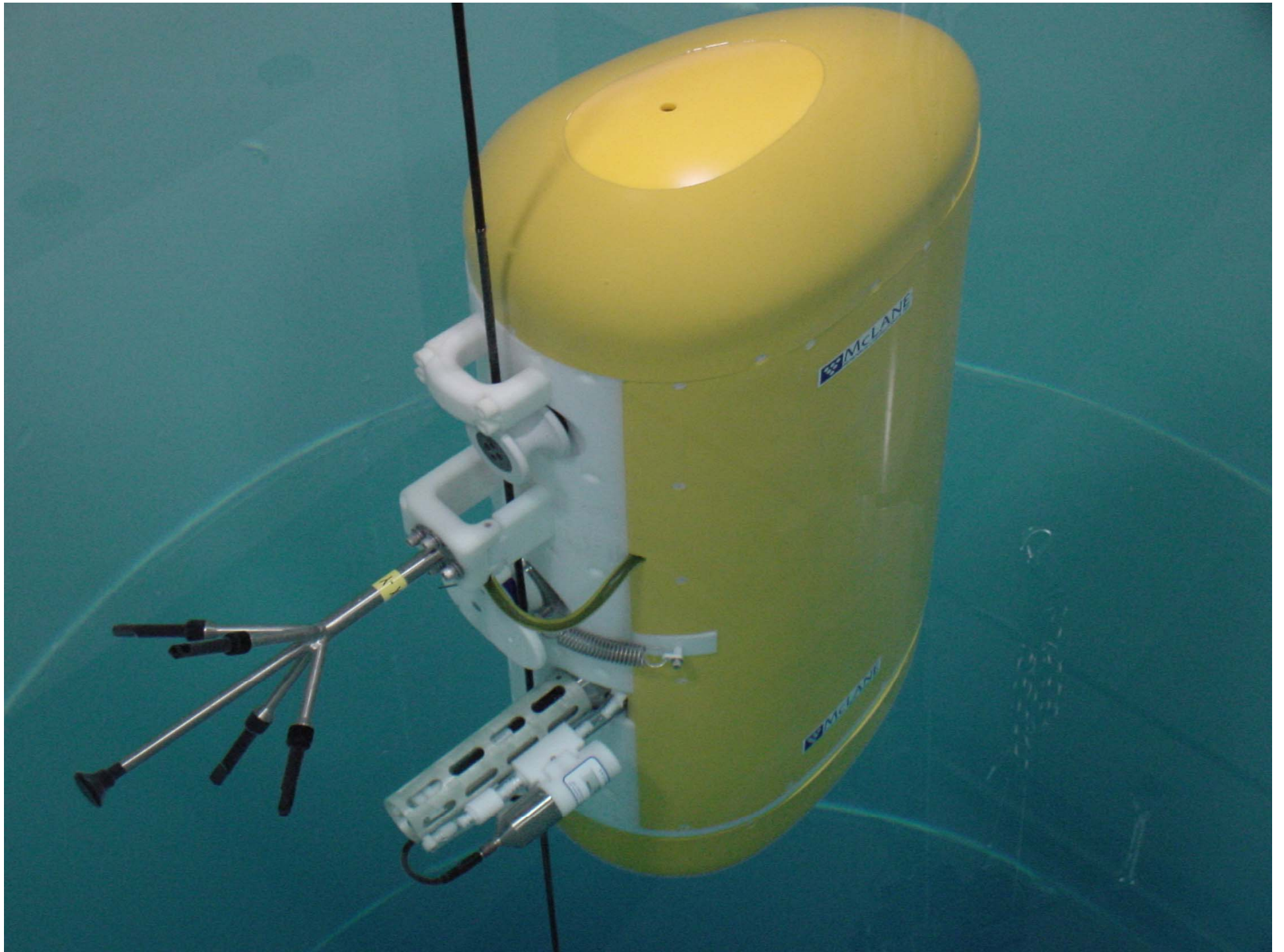


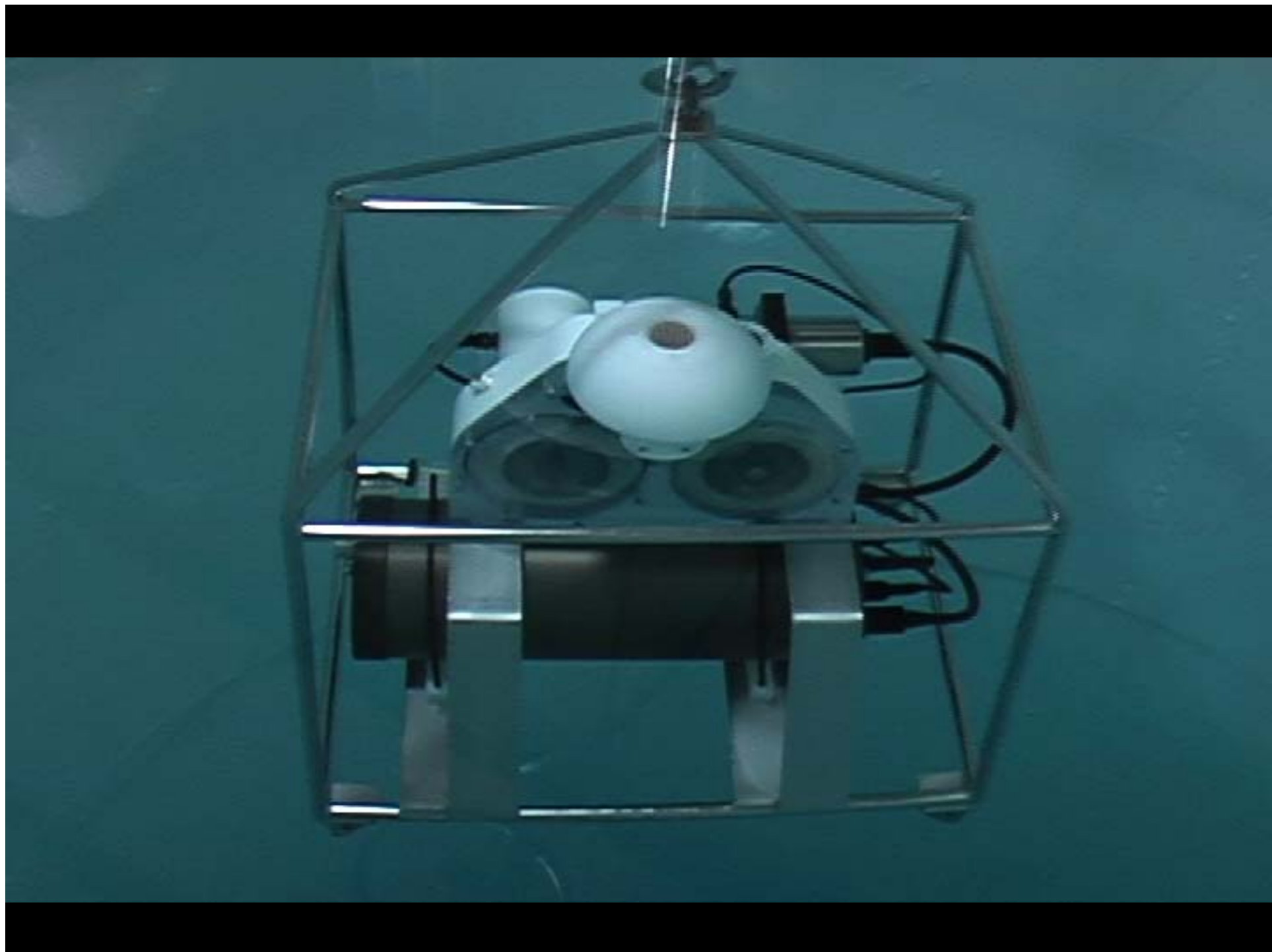


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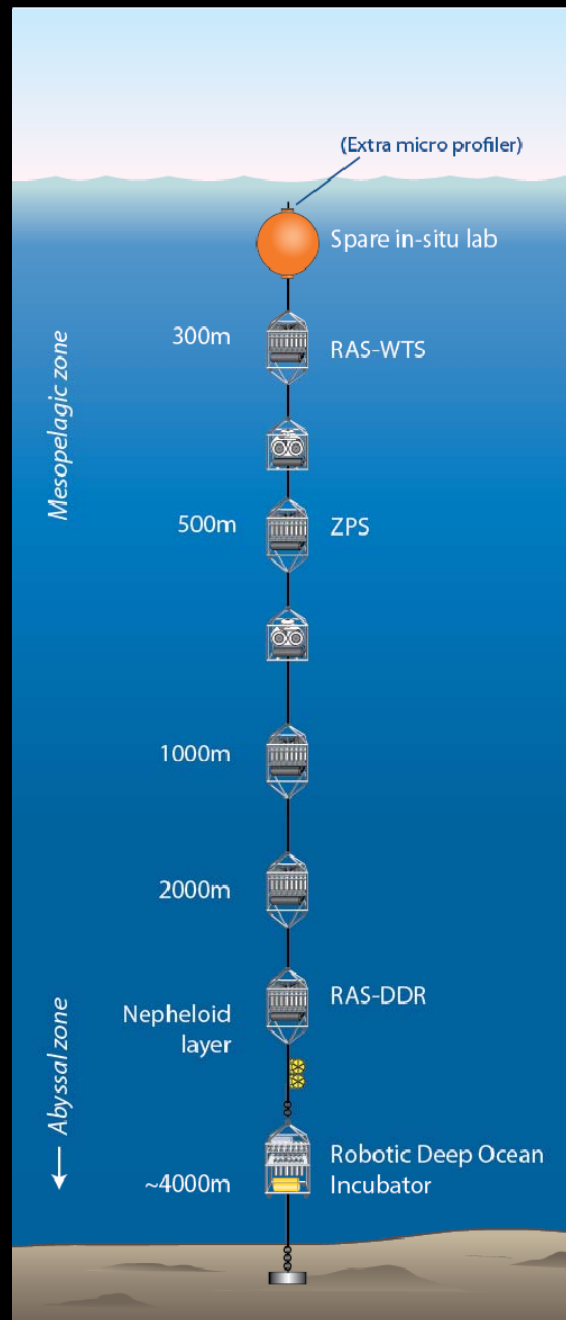


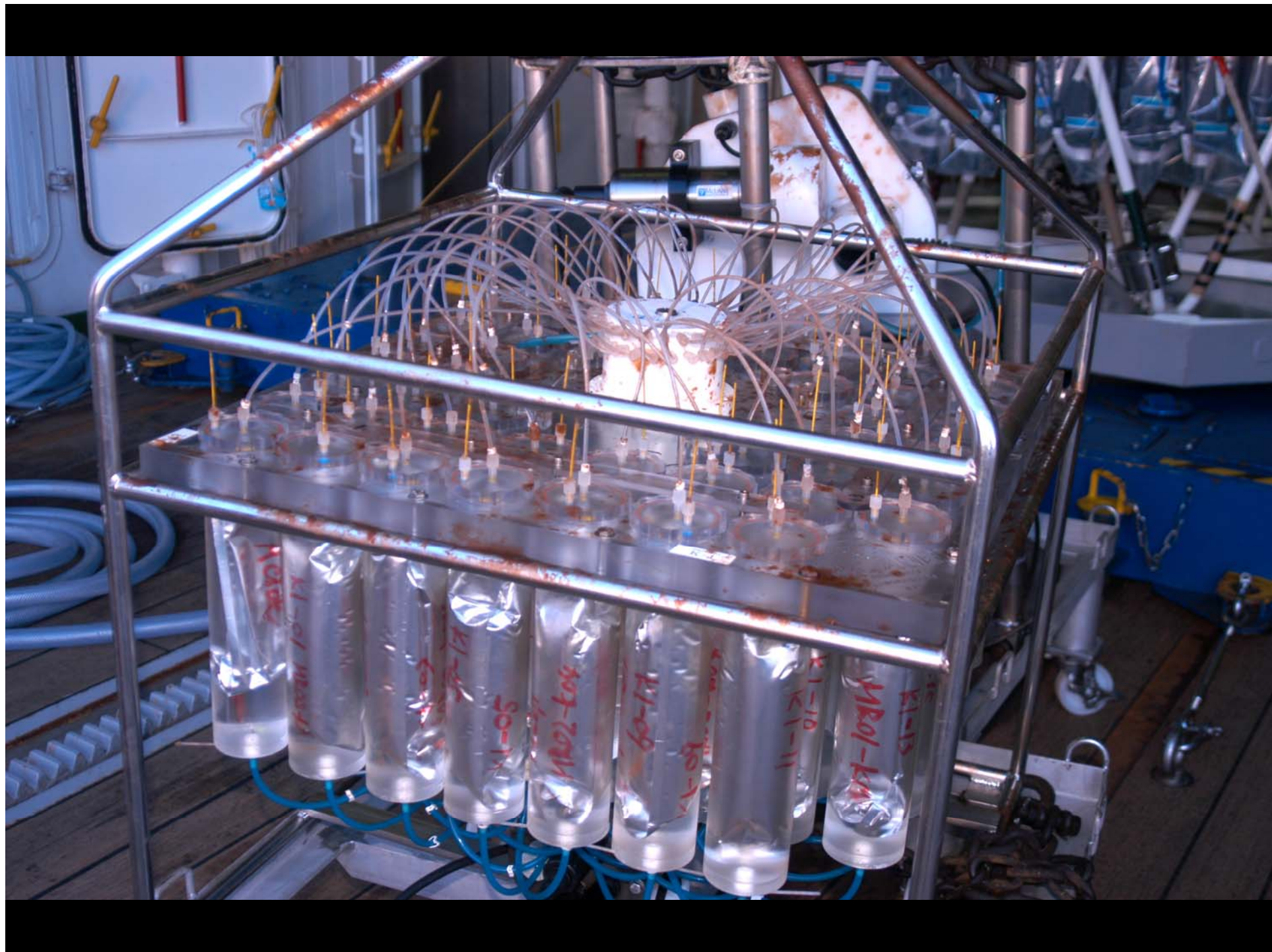


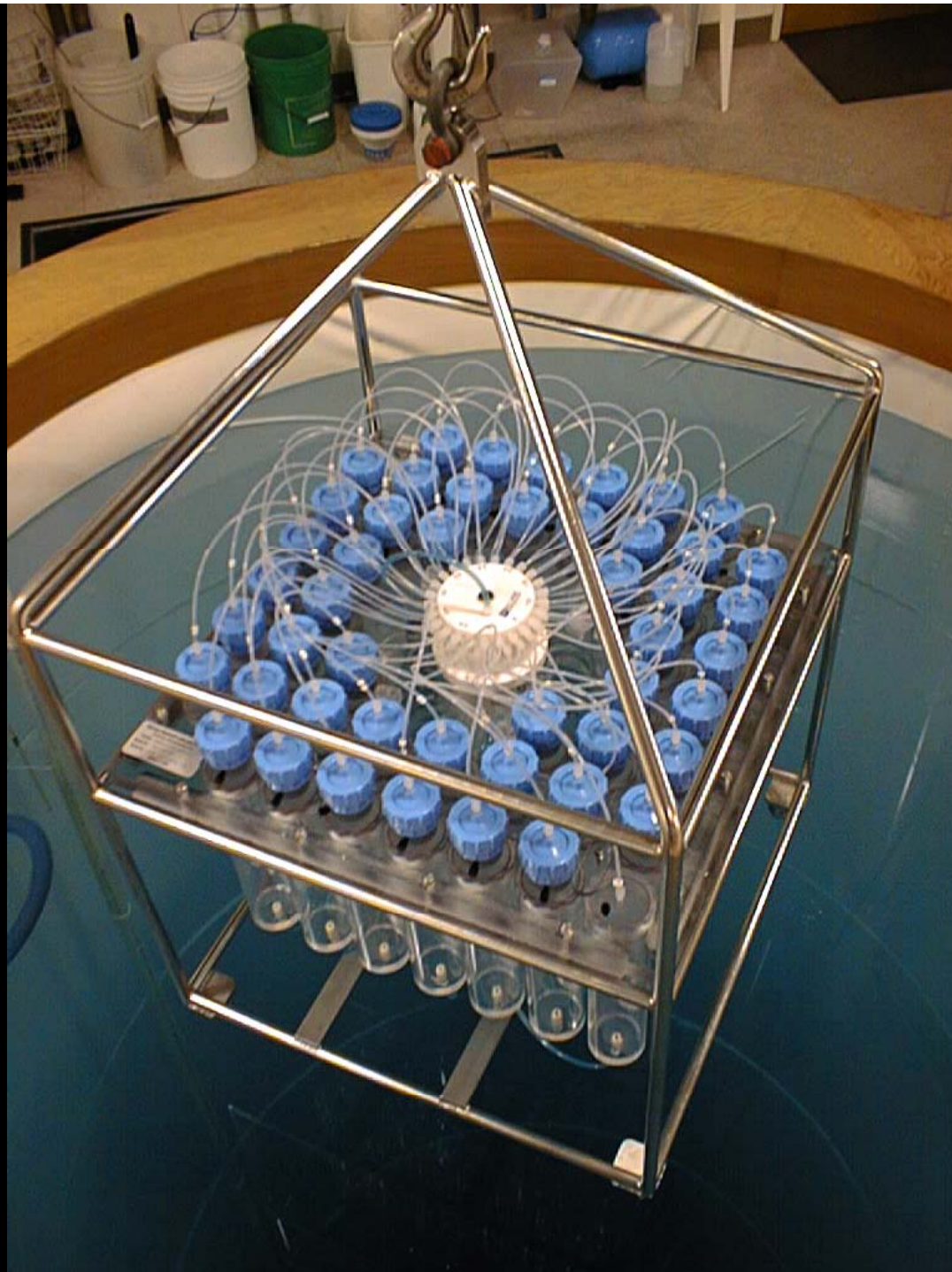


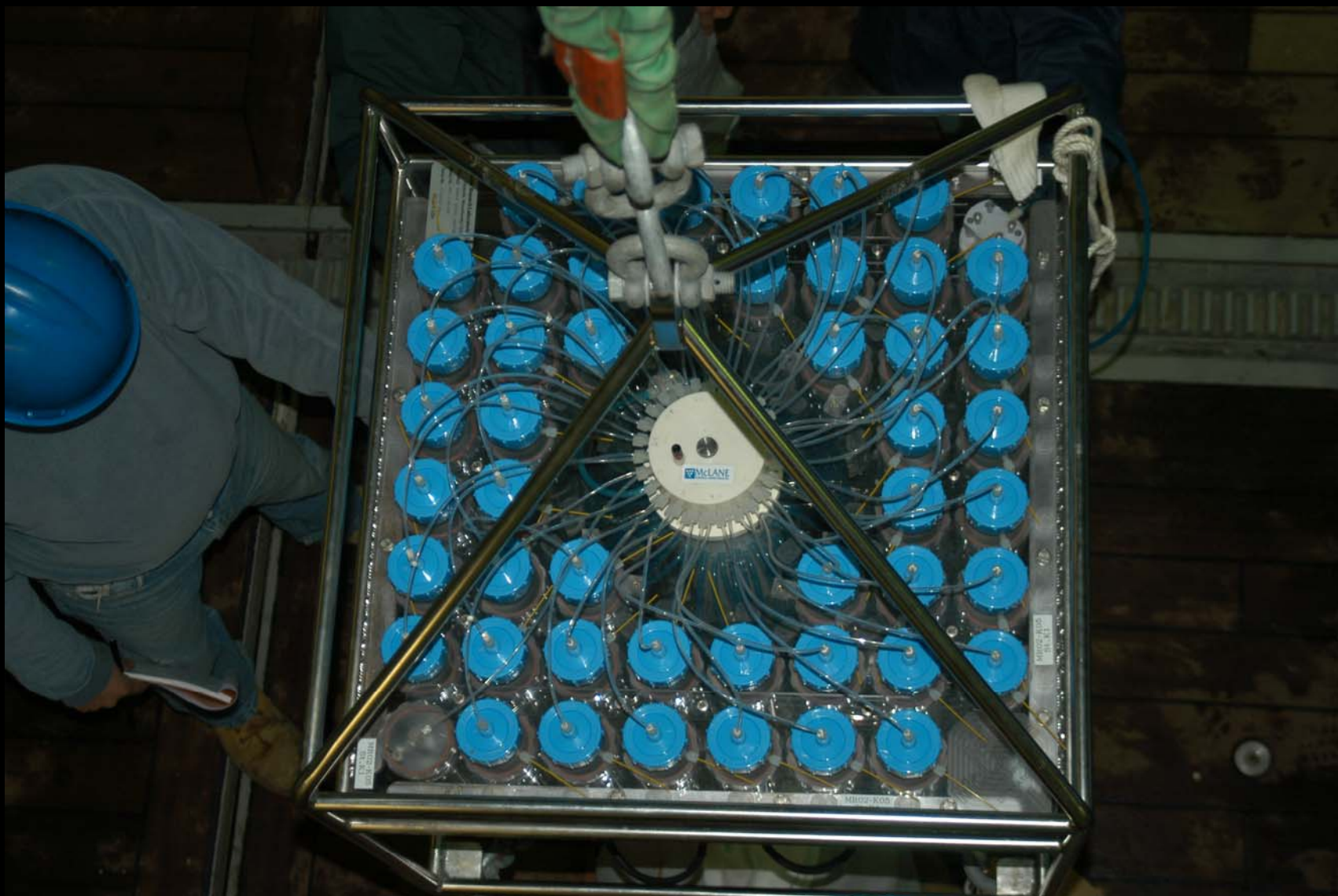


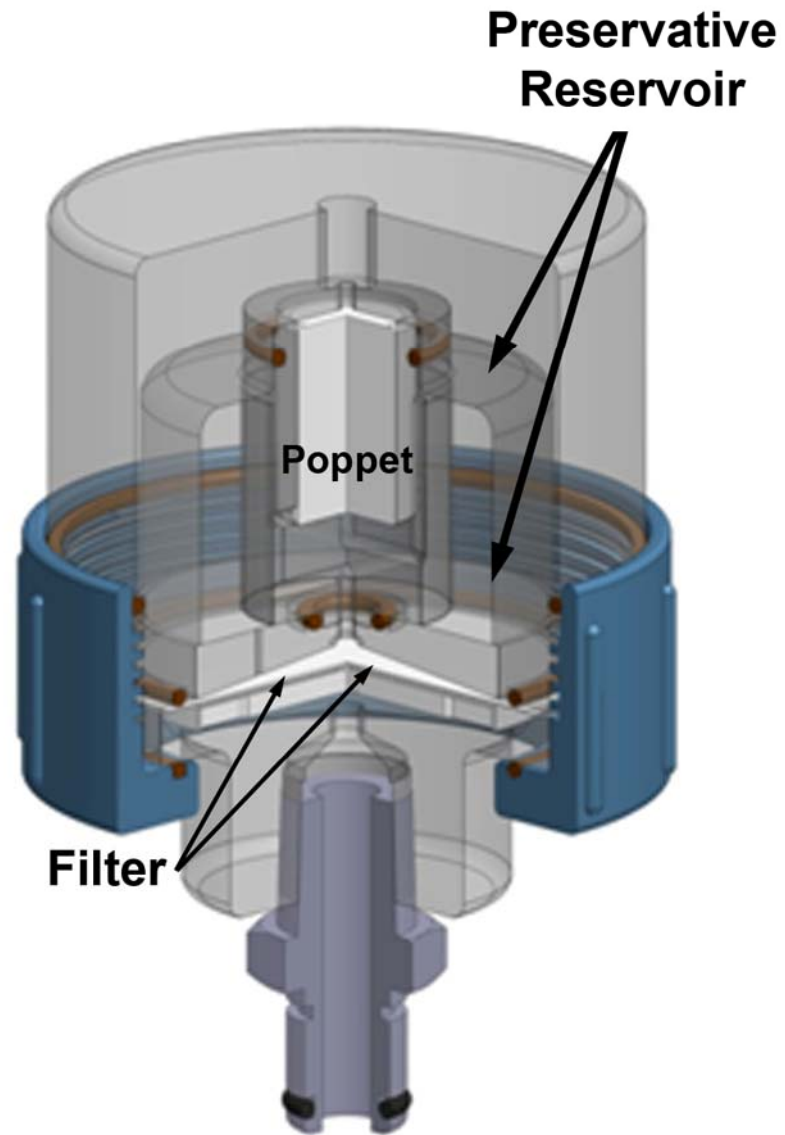
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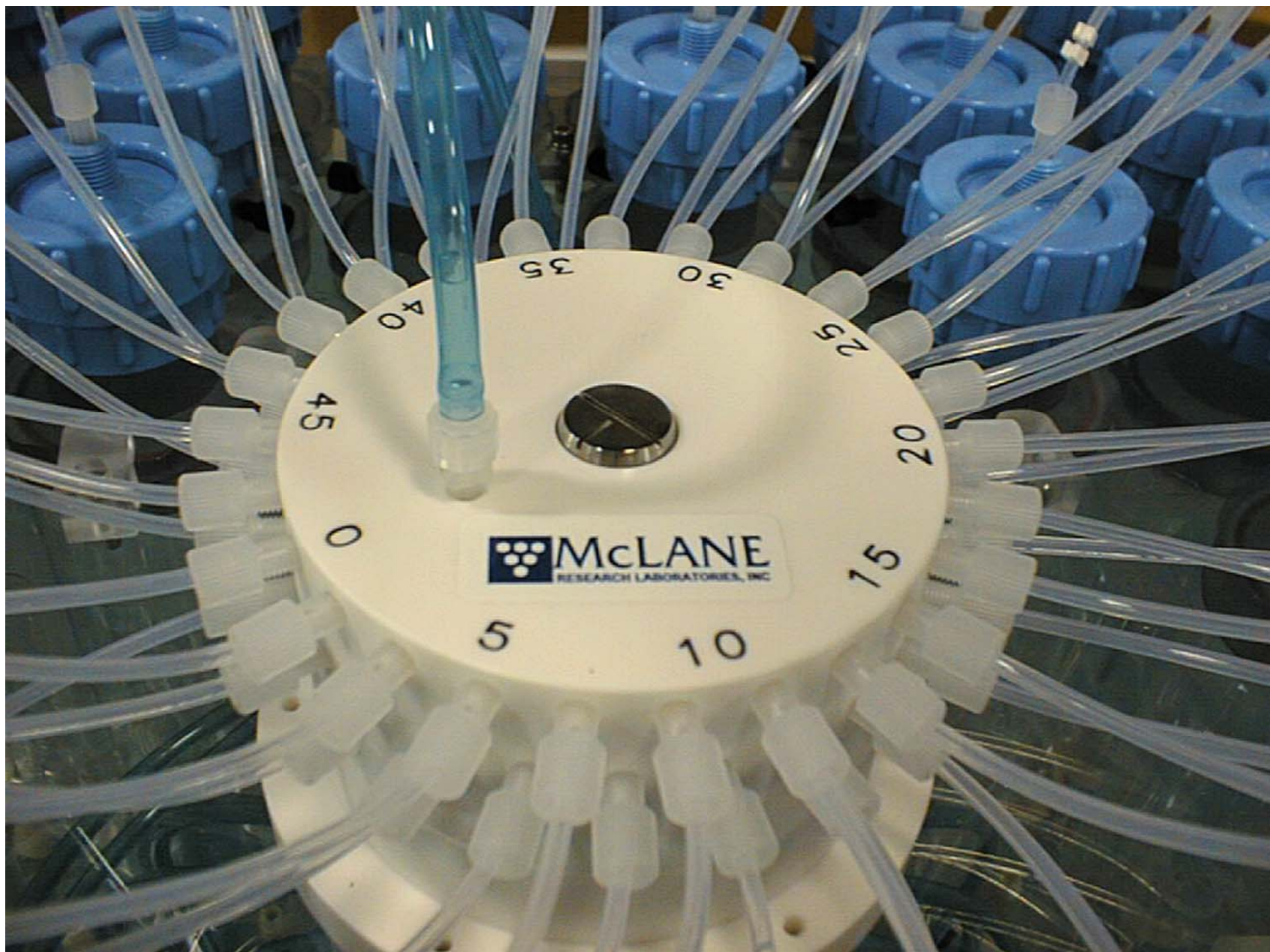




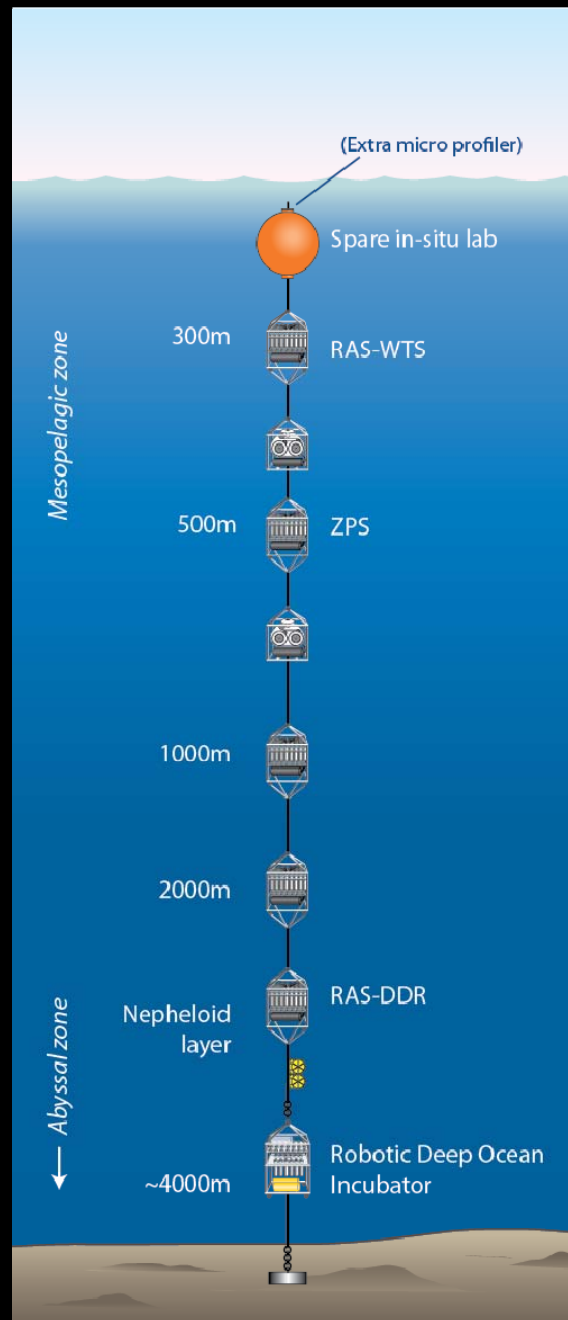




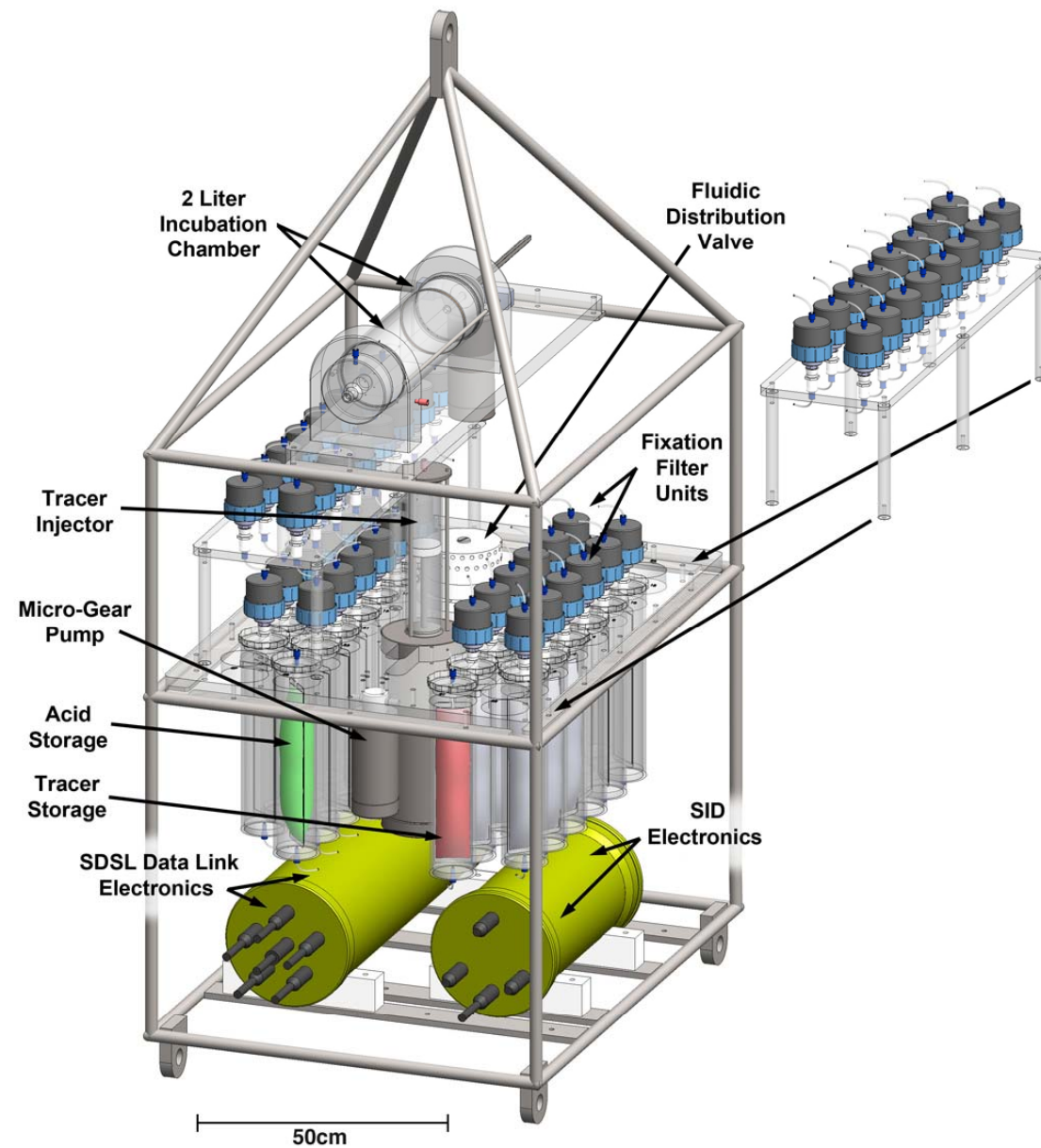
RNA Fixation Filter Unit

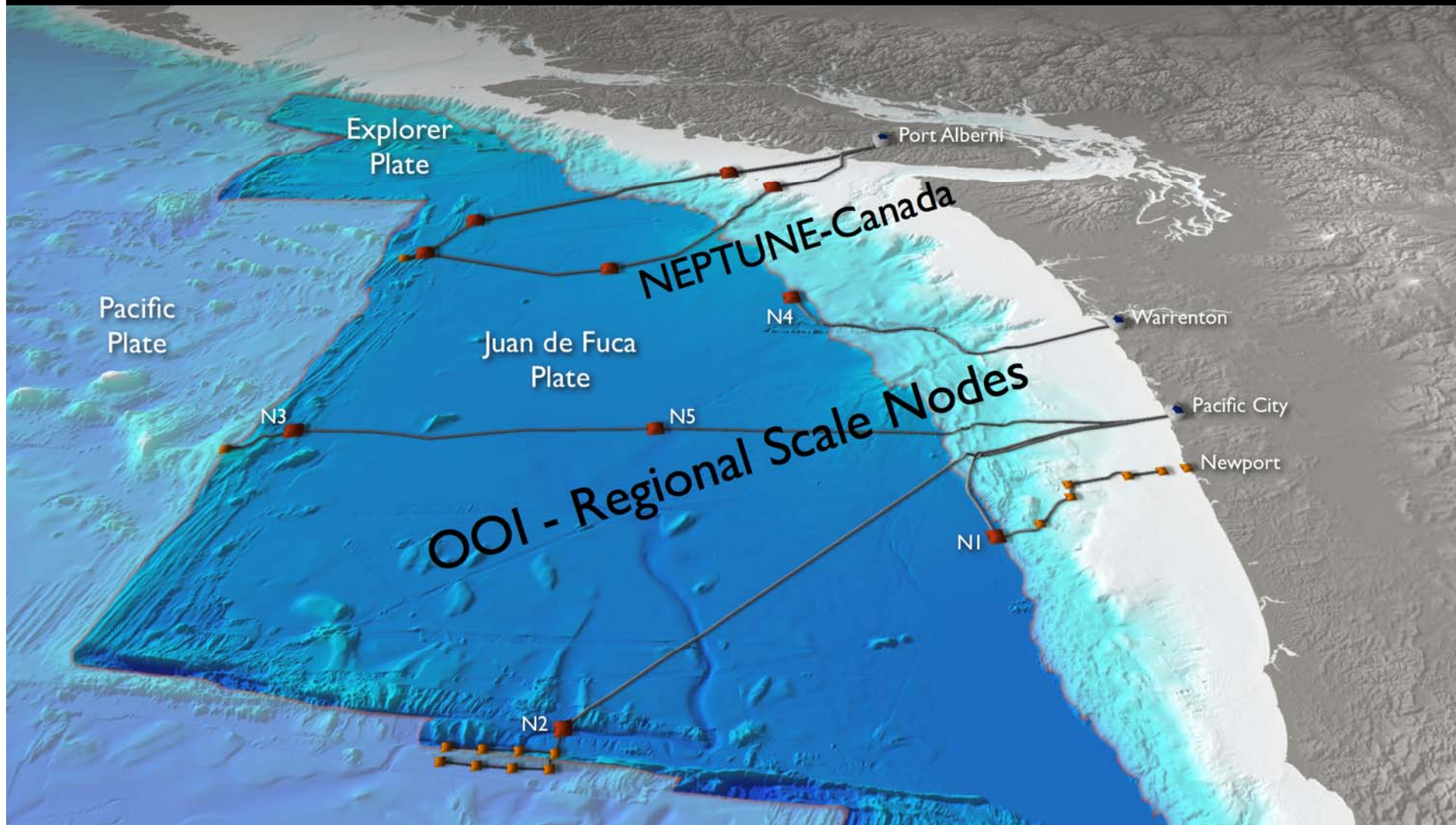


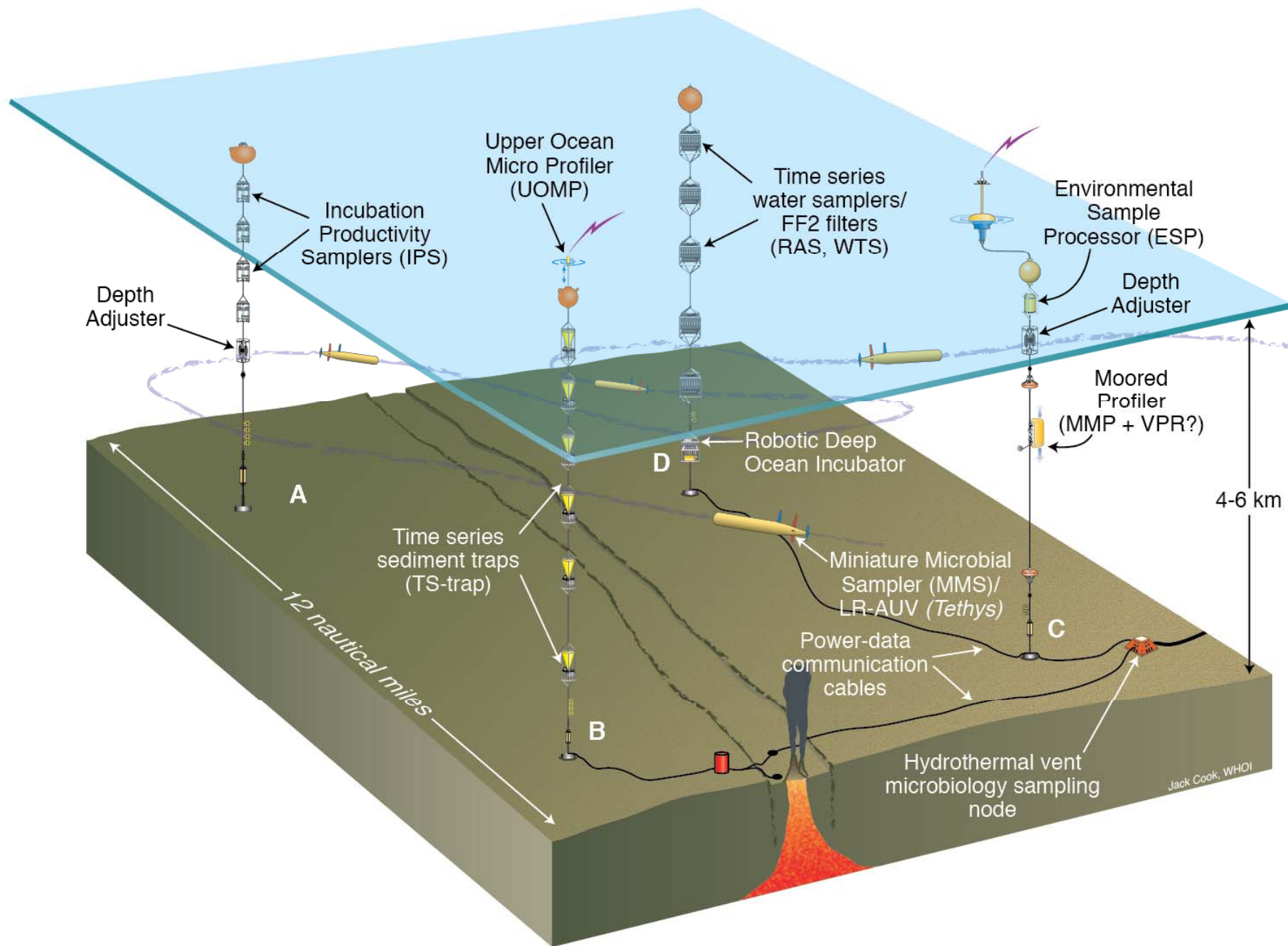
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Submersible Incubation Robot (SID-ISM)









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