

Ocean Carbon Sink Core Measurements Protocols

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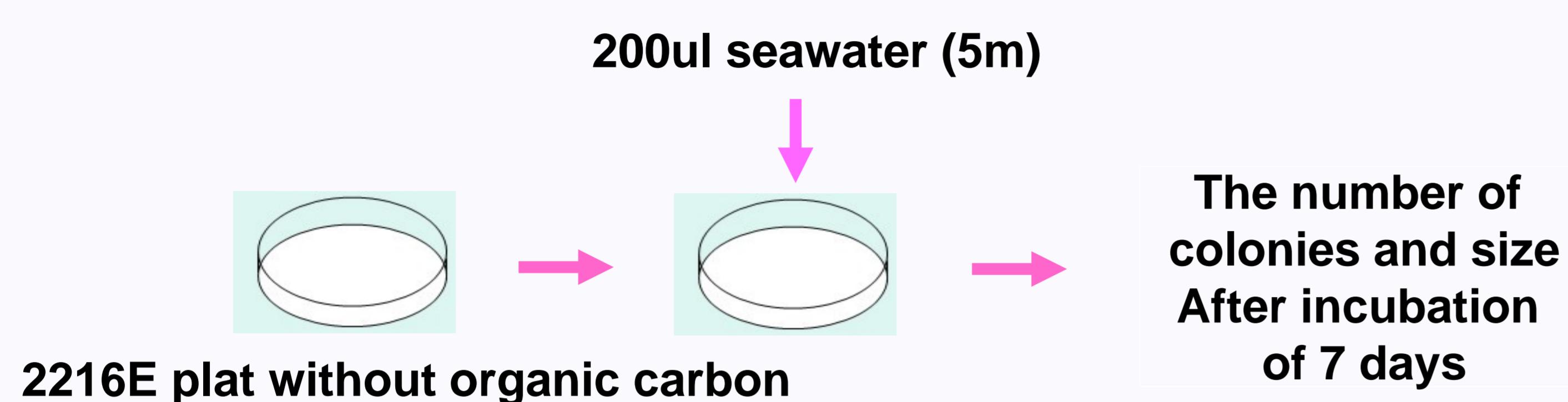
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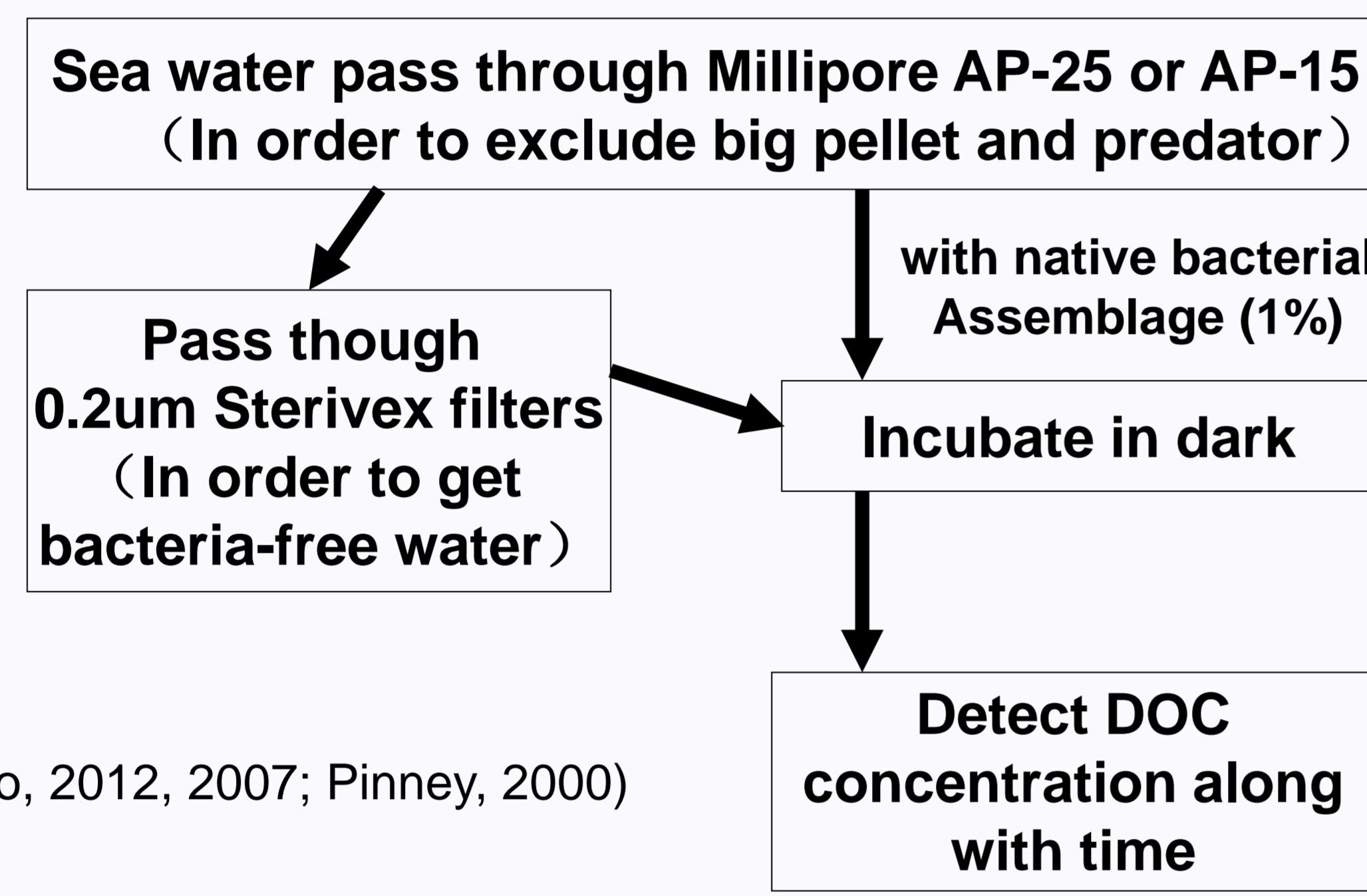
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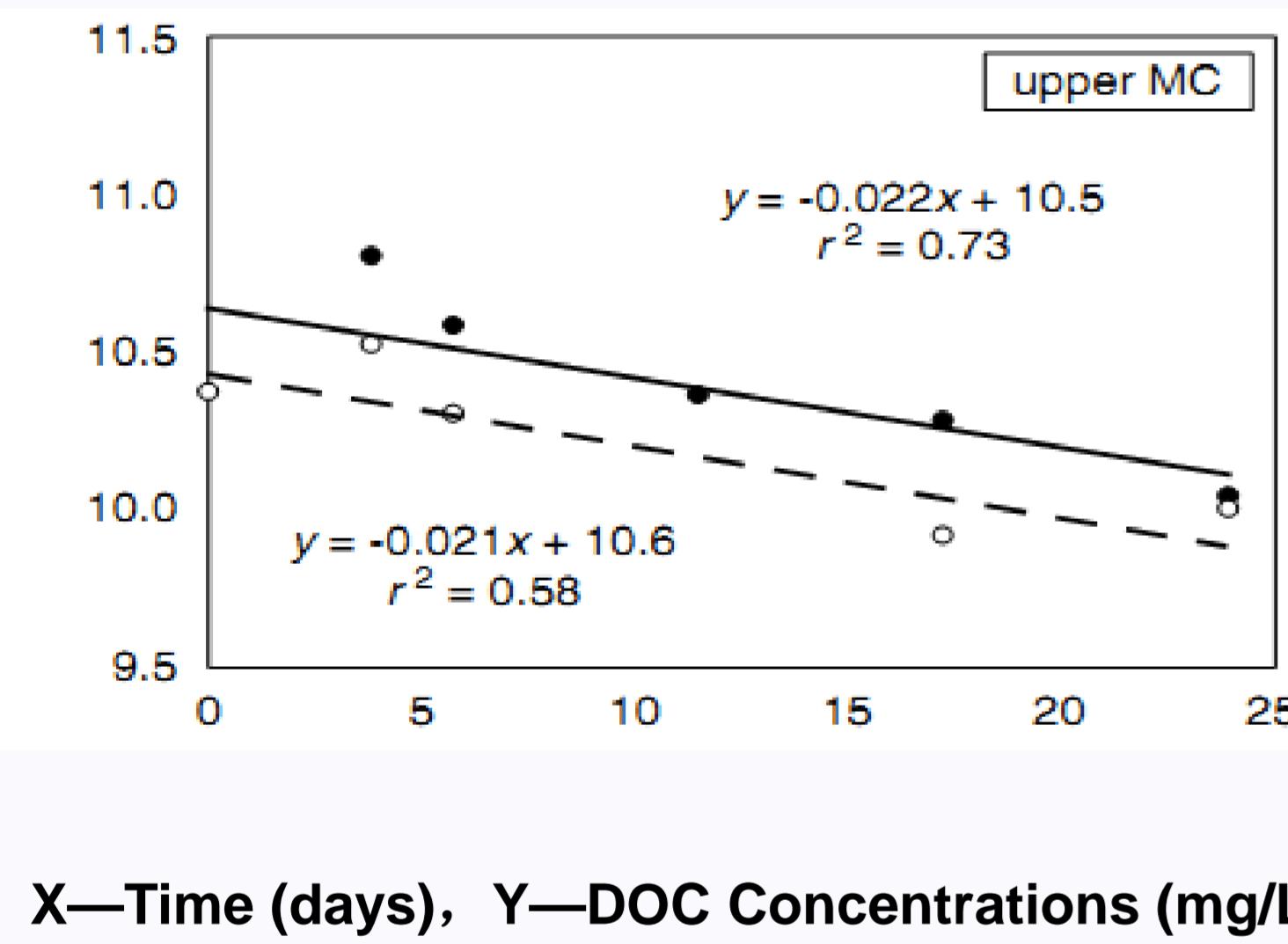
□ e.g. 2: Availability of labile organic carbon by plate incubation



□ e.g. 3: Availability of labile organic carbon by bioassay



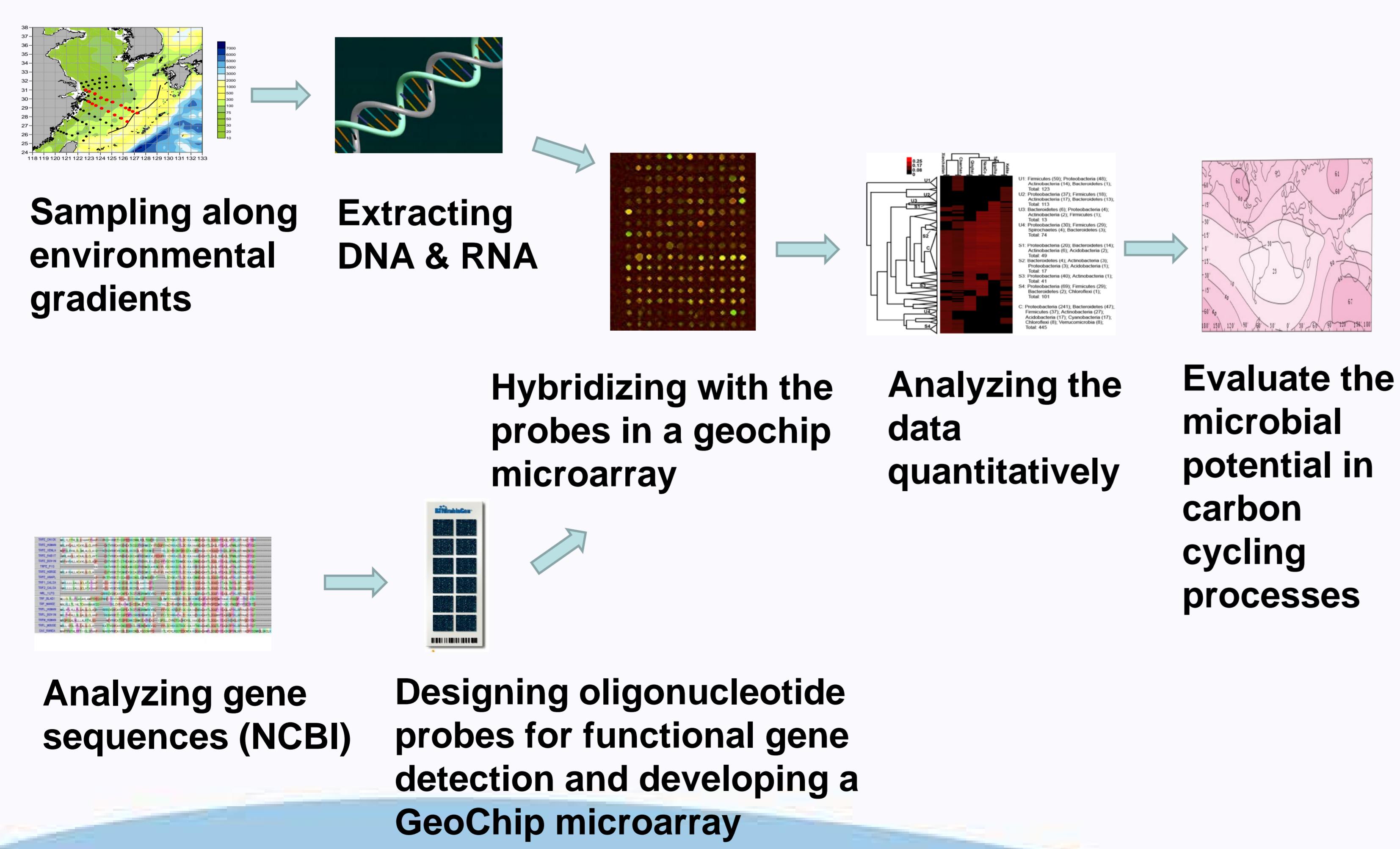
(Giorfio, 2012, 2007; Pinney, 2000)



- According to the DOC concentrations versus time, the consumption of DOC is determined using the slopes.
- Thus, the percentage of labile DOC is calculated as the ratio of DOC consumed to the total DOC pool.

(Apple, 2007.ISME)

□ e.g. 4: Profiling microbial potential for carbon sequestration using functional gene microarray



Examples for functional genes

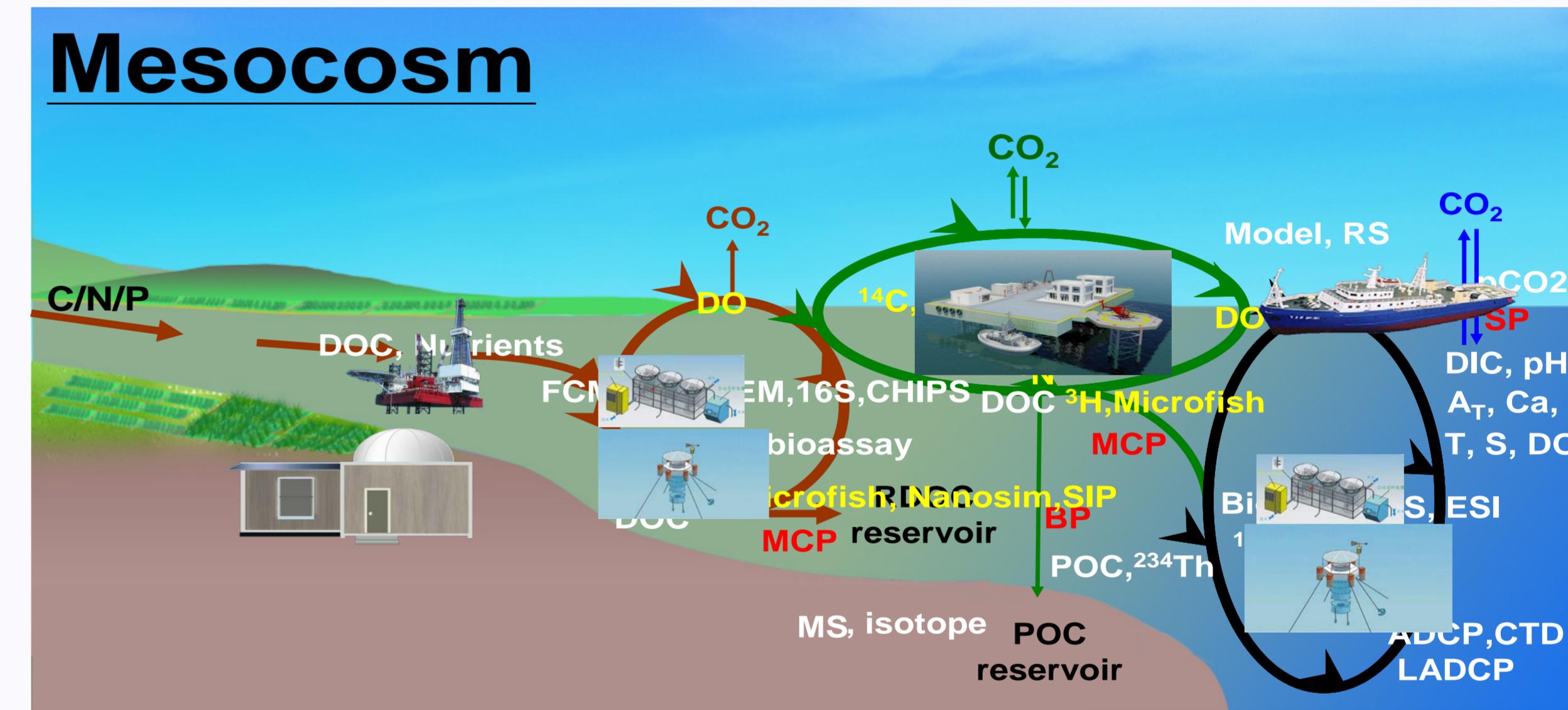
Gene/Category	Uniq Probes	Group Probes	Quasi Probes	Total Probes	Total Covered CDS
Carbon fixation					
Rubisco	136	250	13	398	688
Pec	55	737	6	797	1534
acLB	26	126	1	153	281
FTHFS	35	87		122	250
CODH	81	204	9	292	645
Subtotal	333	1404	29	1762	3398
Methane metabolism					
mmoxX	10	28		38	65
metA	124	108	38	267	989
pmoA	115	63	26	202	623
Subtotal	249	199	64	507	1677
Subtotal	2790	6132	161	9033	13667

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Carbon deg					
sinC	321	865	14	1190	1700
malE	308	481	15	758	1389
AceB	91	697	10	795	1189
phmD_coxidase	393	210	42	629	737
Acet	47	428	8	522	599
acetylglucosaminidase	173	385	6	562	804
ana	81	460	2	543	829
200	127	323	5	406	676
npfT	102	292	4	398	706
oxIA	61	278	2	341	576
vndA	30	269	3	301	515
cellulase	53	177	5	253	374
polA	46	199	2	246	474
exochitinase	119	92	9	216	306
endochitinase	69	26	5	172	276
mannanase	57	125	1	183	205
ara_fung	92	69	0	161	166
Sphing	22	41	0	153	250
alburolyase	48	98	3	149	224
gbs	87	59	1	147	147
exochitnase	31	83	1	138	185
imp	86	34	7	134	128
lip	70	30	7	107	111
Others	112	198	3	313	425
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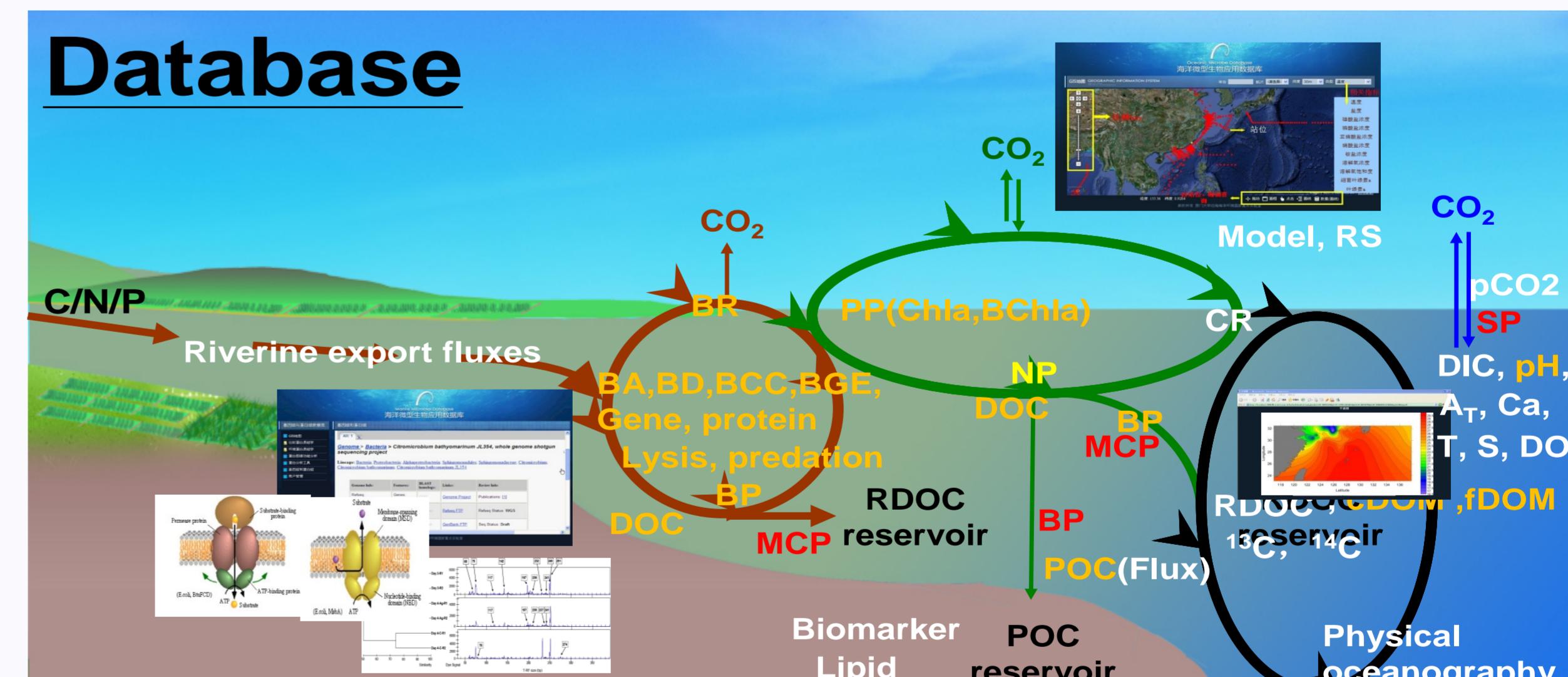
□ e.g. 5: Key measurements of DIC parameters

• T	• pH	• $K_H^{CO_2}$
• S	• DIC (TCO ₂)	• $K_1^{H_2CO_3}$
• DO	• TALK	• $K_2^{HCO_3}$
• Ca	• pCO_2 / fCO_2	• $K_H^{O_2}$

□ e.g. 6: Mesocosm studies for a comprehensive understanding what possible influential factors will produce a positive or negative reaction of ocean carbon sink



□ Finally, a series of databases will be built to collect and compare data from various sea areas and environments, to calculate the ocean carbon reservoir, including RDOC reservoirs and POC reservoirs, and to estimate the uptake capacity of the ocean for the “extra” CO₂ that has been emitted to the atmosphere.



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