

Solving HAB problems through organising “bricks” *Ostreopsis* blooms as an example



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HABs: result from **noxious** and/or **toxic algae** that cause direct and indirect negative impacts to **aquatic ecosystems, coastal resources,** and **human health**

HABs are a **worldwide phenomenon** requiring an **international understanding** leading ultimately to **local and regional solutions**

Harmful Algal Blooms

A scientific summary
for policy makers

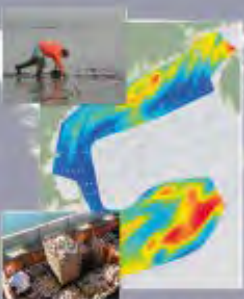




In Asian waters eutrophication associated with high-biomass blooms cause severe fish kills in aquaculture sites.



In the Baltic cyanobacteria blooms prevent recreational use of the coast in summer. Photo: B. Karlson, SMHL.



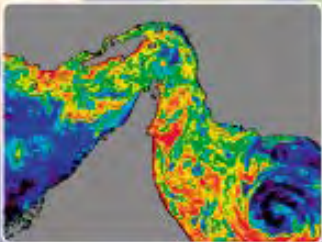
In the Gulf of Maine, Canada and USA, blooms of *Alexandrium fundyense* cause PSP in shellfish consumers. Images: D.M. Anderson.



Akashiwo sanguinea outbreaks produced foam, involved in bird mortality. Images: R. Kudela.



In the Mediterranean, high-biomass blooms of the epiphyte *Ostreopsis* are associated with respiratory irritations in beach users. Images: J.M. Fortuño, M. Vila, ICM-CSIC.



High-biomass blooms shut down desalination plants, and the toxic species constitute an additional risk to the freshwater supply. Image: R. Kudela.



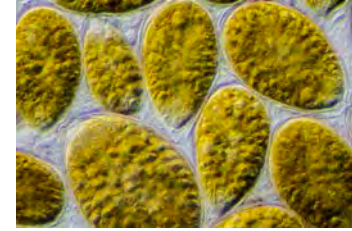
Ciguatera Fish Poisoning (CFP), caused by *Gambierdiscus*, is an endemic sea-food borne intoxication in the Pacific Islands and the Caribbean. Images: M. Chirain, M. Faust.



Macroalgal (*Chaetomorpha linum*) blooms are linked to eutrophication in touristic area of Colombia. Photo: M. Wainwright.



**Objective: To develop a HABs Mandala,
the elements are part of the solution**



A case study:

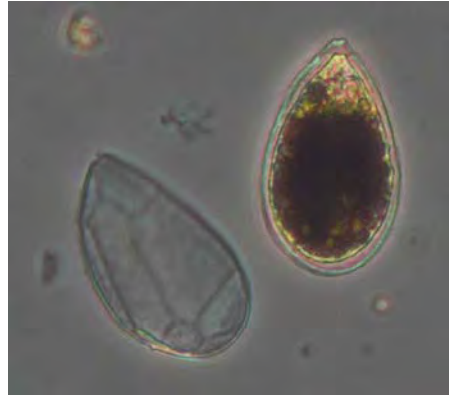
***Ostreopsis* blooms**

- * apparently increasing in temperate waters?**
- * biogeographic expansion with climate change?**

A case study: *Ostreopsis* blooms

Impacts on human health:

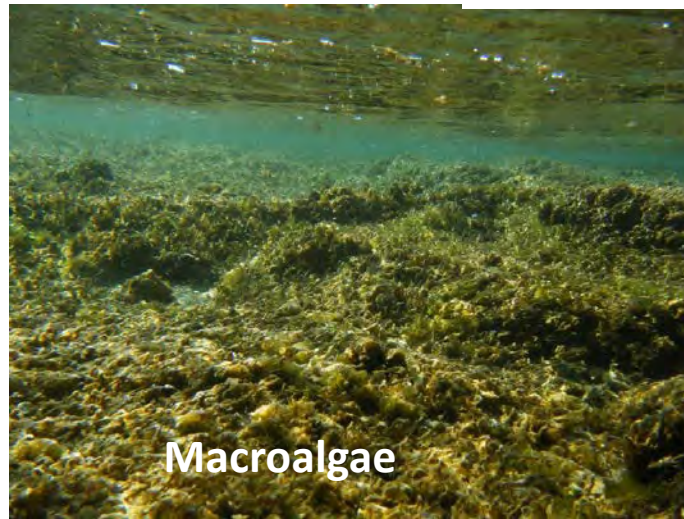
- * Food-borne poisonings in the tropics (palytoxin)
- * Mild respiratory irritations in temperate beaches



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Environmental impacts:

- * Massive benthic fauna mortalities
- * Water quality deterioration

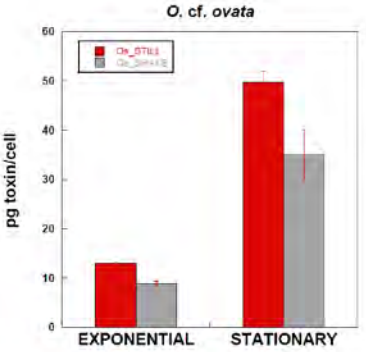
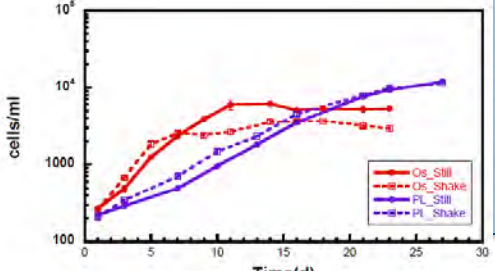
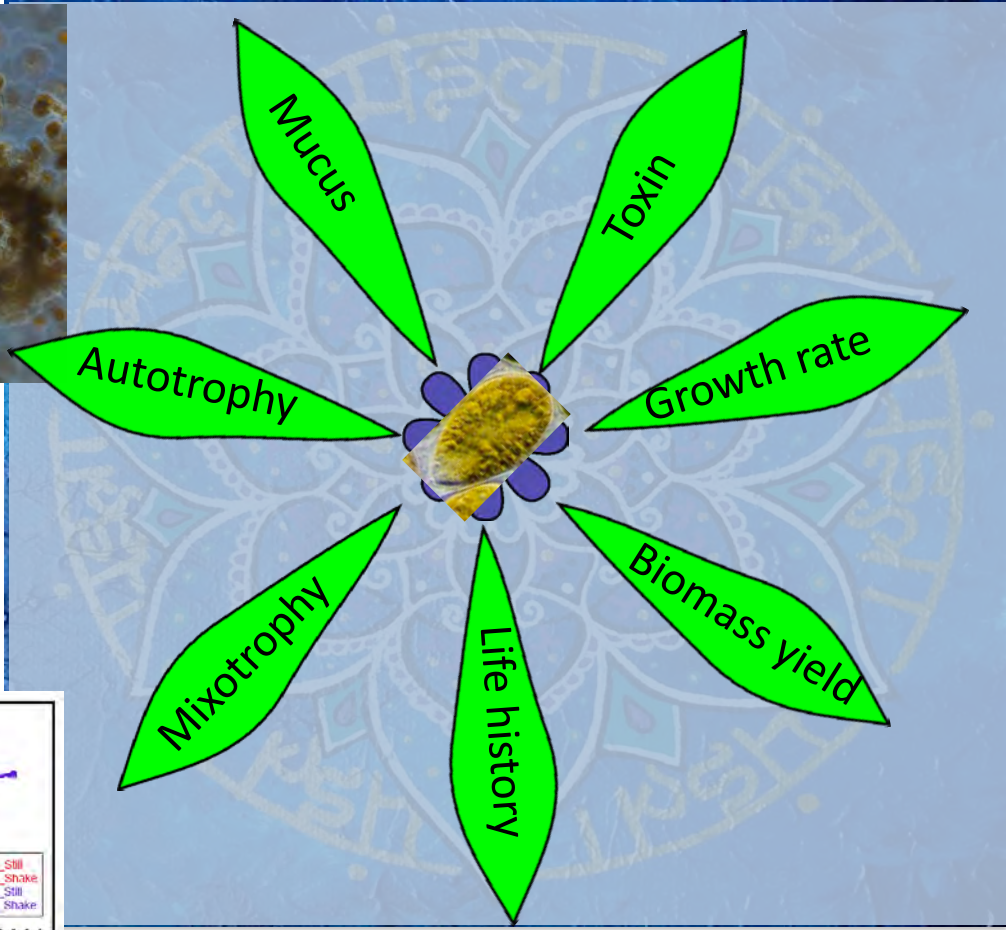
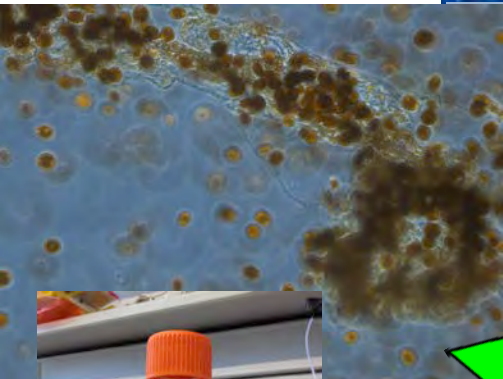


Macroalgae



NW Mediterranean
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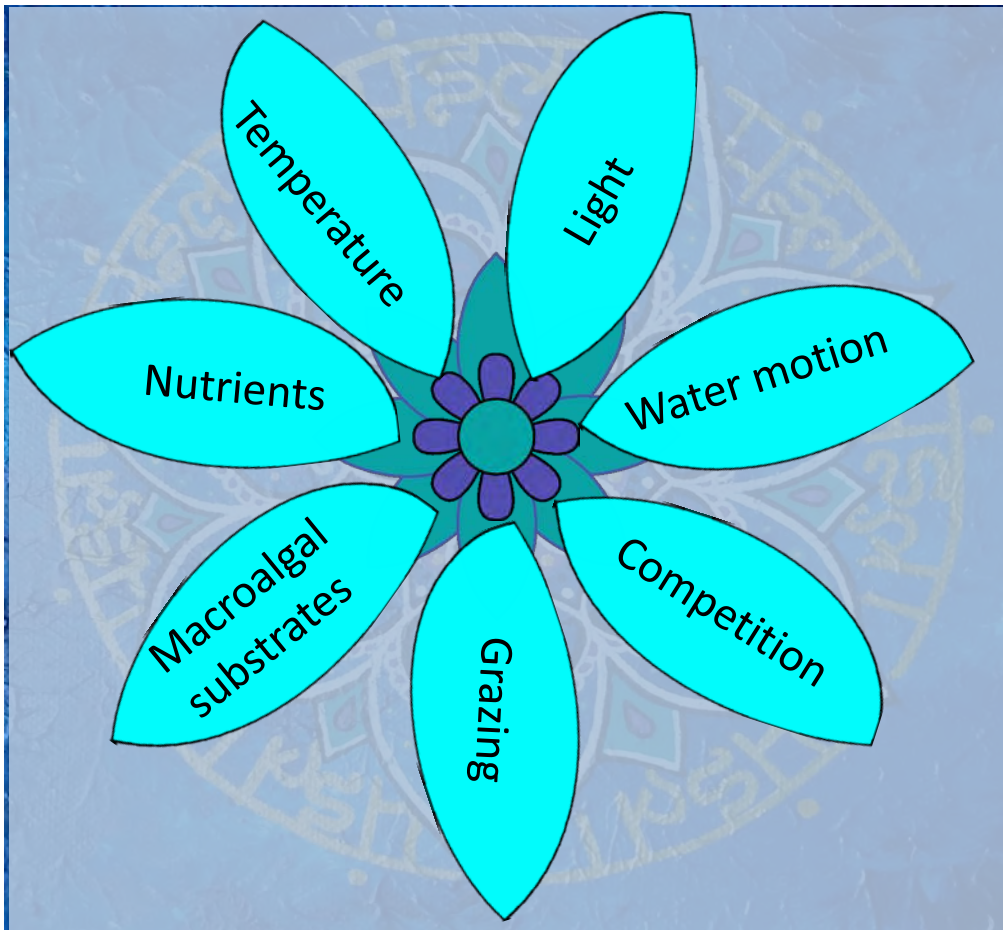
Understanding cell physiology processes ...



... to understand natural dynamics ...

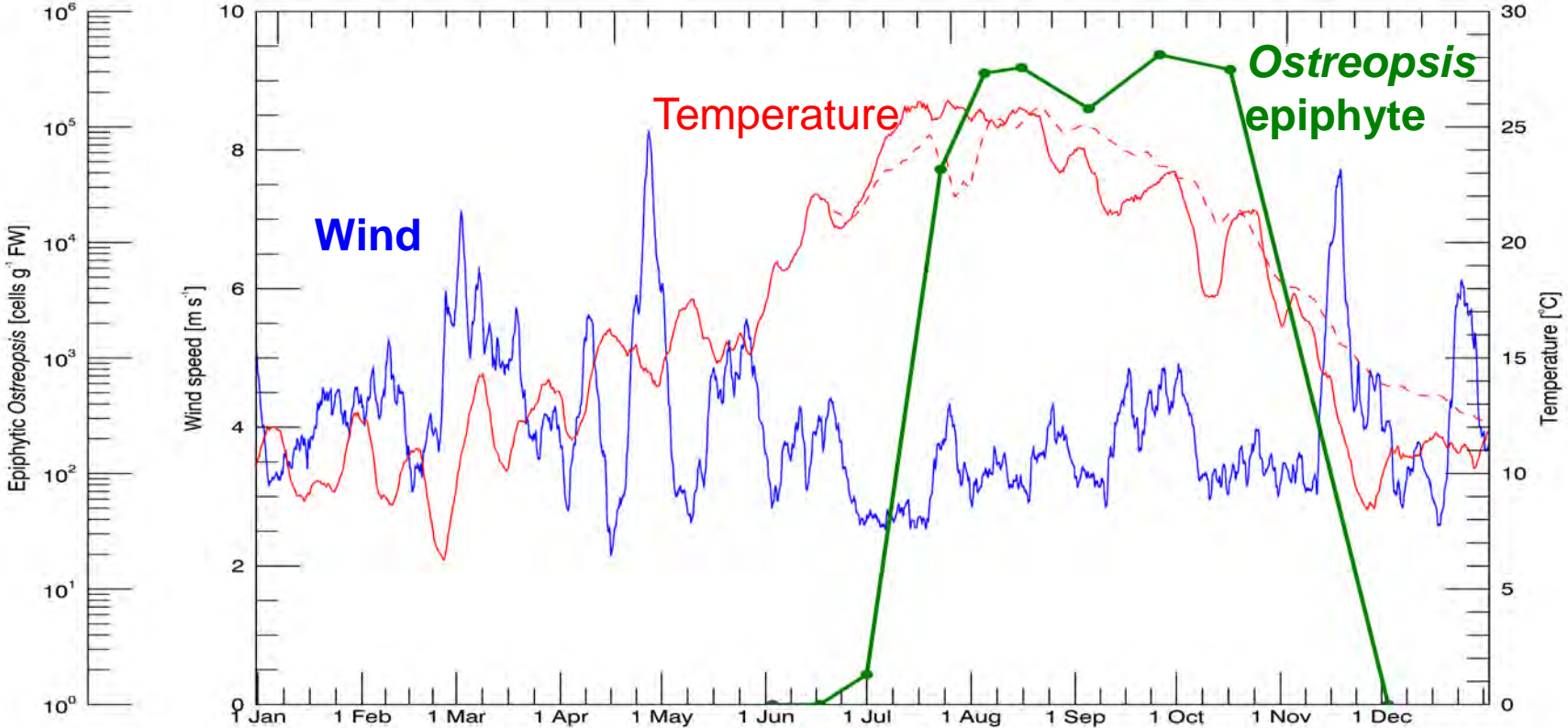


Llavaneres

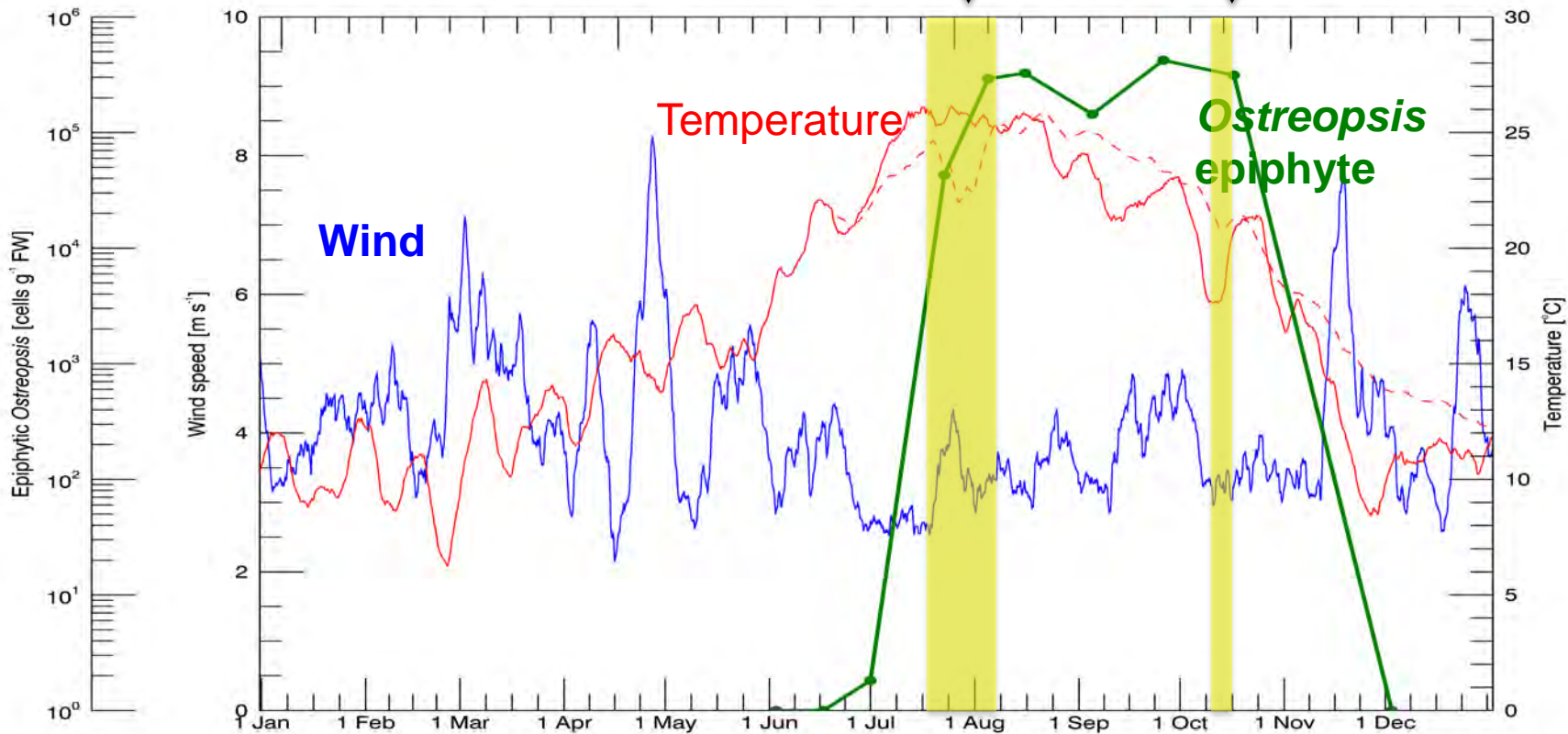


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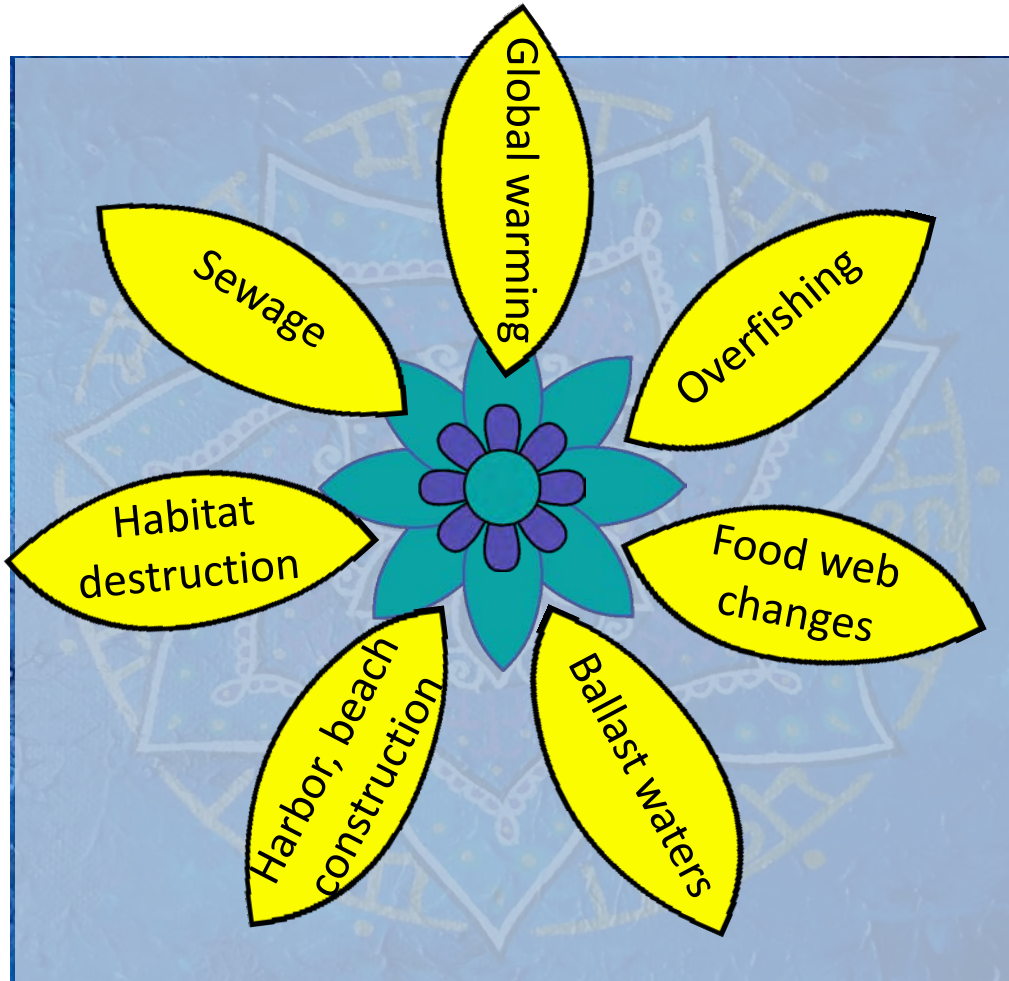
Seasonal bloom dynamics in Llavaneres, 2013



Periods of impacts on human health



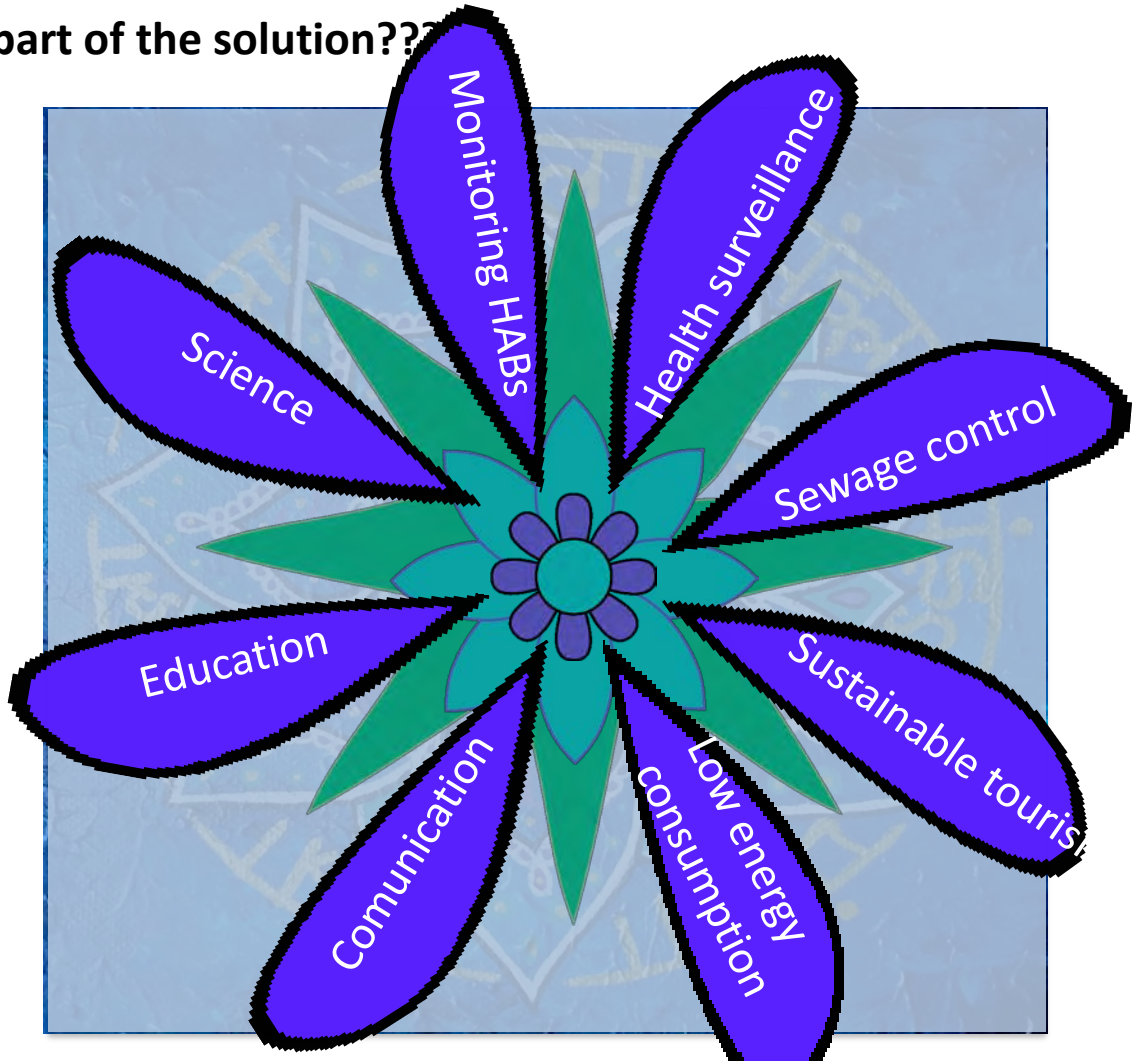
Human health and wellbeing are impacted by *Ostreopsis* blooms



Human pressures are involved in the harmful events

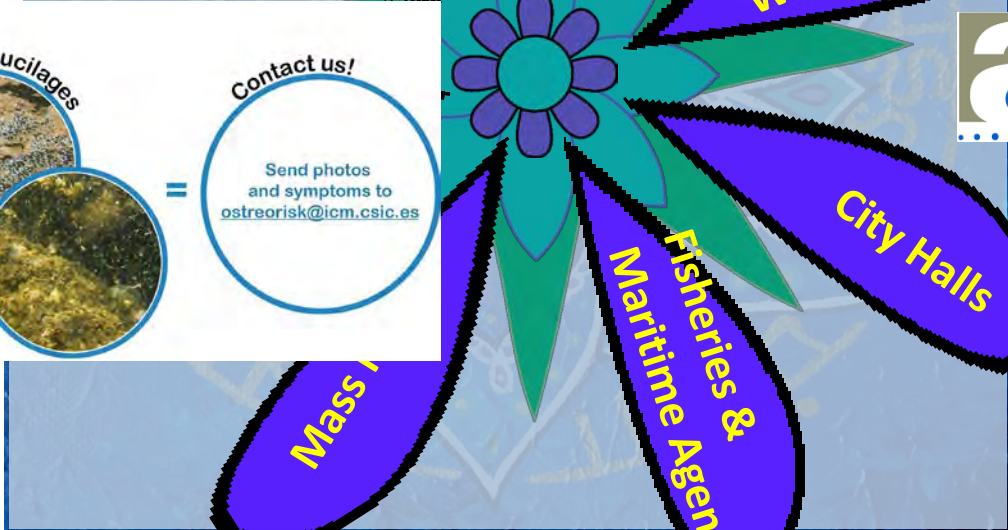
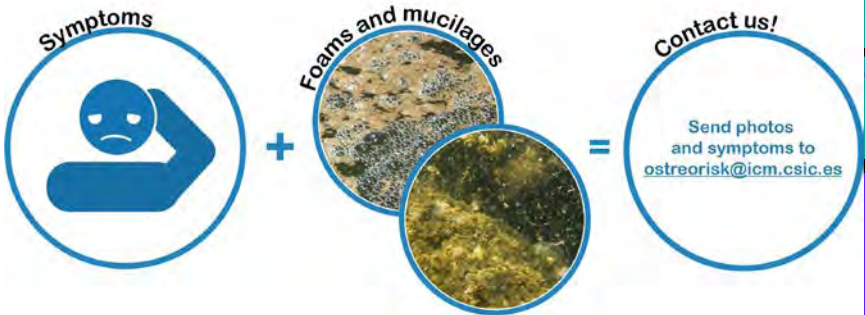
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At local level



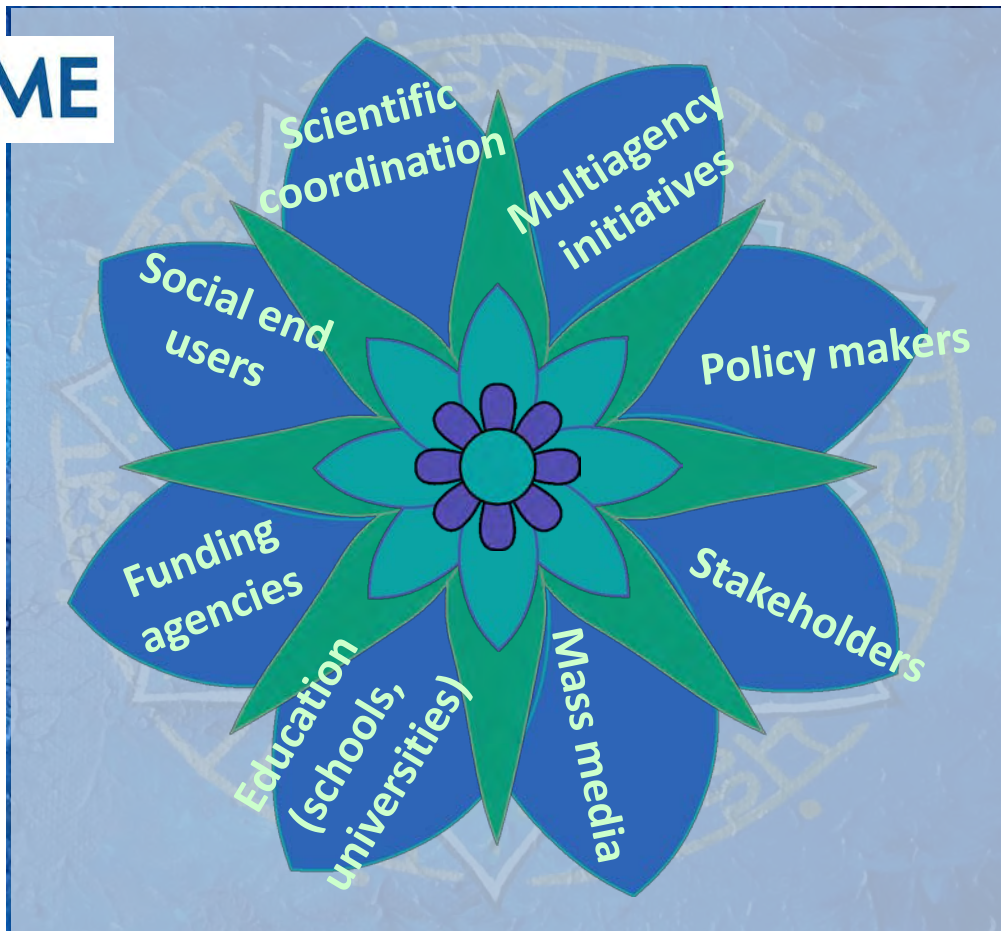
... Can humans be part of the solution???

At local level



... Can humans be part of the solution???

At global level: coordination ...



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Ostreopsis blooms



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L'Accord RAMOGE représente un instrument de coopération scientifique, technique, juridique et administrative où **les gouvernements Français, Monégasque et Italien mettent en oeuvre des actions pour une gestion intégrée du littoral**.

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Suivi de la problématique Ostreopsis

Ostreopsis ovata est une algue microscopique unicellulaire qui vit habituellement dans les eaux chaudes des mers tropicales. Le transport par les eaux de ballast des navires et des conditions climatiques très favorables ont permis à cette microalgue de se développer sous nos latitudes.

Ainsi, depuis quelques années, des phénomènes d'[efflorescence](#) impliquant cette algue ont été observés dans toute la partie nord-ouest de la Méditerranée et dans certains cas une toxicité sur l'homme a été observée.

Les effets toxiques se limitent habituellement à des **symptômes de type grippal** tels que fièvre, toux, nausées, rhume, conjonctivite, troubles respiratoires. **Les personnes atteintes n'ont pas forcément été en contact direct avec l'eau ; il suffit d'inhaler les gouttelettes transportées par le vent pour que les symptômes se manifestent.**

Avec le soutien de l'Accord RAMOGE, des recherches sont actuellement en cours sur les causes et effets de la toxicité de cette algue.

En 2010 une réunion regroupant des scientifiques et des autorités sanitaires des trois Etats a permis de faire le point sur **le mode de surveillance** de cette algue dans chaque Etat, sur leur **gestion de la crise liée à une efflorescence** ainsi que sur les **problèmes sanitaires induits** par cette algue et leur gestion.

En 2011, l'Accord RAMOGE a apporté son soutien à l'organisation du Congrès International sur l'algue Ostreopsis ICOD, organisé par l'Observatoire de Villefranche-sur-Mer, l'Université de Nice-Sophia Antipolis et l'Université de Gênes.

Durant la dernière décennie une grande attention a été portée sur le développement des espèces du genre *Ostreopsis* (dinoflagellés benthiques), dont certaines ont proliféré dans les mers tempérées. Ce Congrès International sur le Développement d'*Ostreopsis* a permis de dresser un bilan des connaissances sur :"

- les aspects écologique, chimique et toxicologique en relation avec les espèces du genre *Ostreopsis*.
- les méthodes écologique, économique et sanitaire liées à la gestion de ce problème.

Le congrès a été une grande réussite, avec 4 conférences plénières, plus de 25 communications orales et 20 communications affichées, concernant l'écologie, la biogéographie et les impacts d'*Ostreopsis* sur les écosystèmes côtiers, la toxicité des métabolites secondaires et la gestion environnementale, sanitaire et économique du problème.



Ostreopsis ovata

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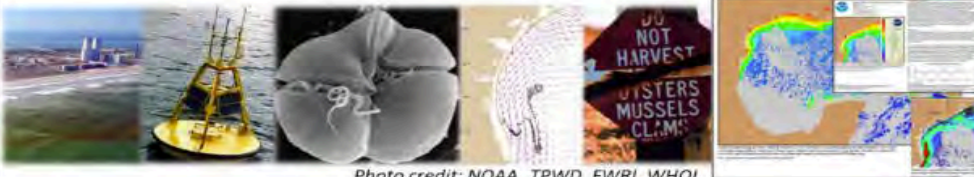
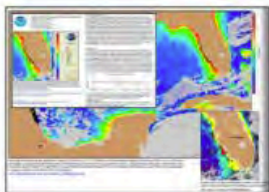
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Thursday, June 2, 2016

Karenia brevis (commonly known as Florida red tide) ranges from not present to background concentrations along the coast of southwest Florida, and is not present in the Florida Keys. No respiratory irritation is expected alongshore southwest Florida Thursday, June 2 through Monday, June 6.

Check

http://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov/hab/beach_conditions.html for recent, local observations.

Other Sources of Gulf of Mexico HAB Status Info:Check our [Local Beach Conditions](#) page.**NOAA HABSOS:**

View map of cell counts and environmental data.





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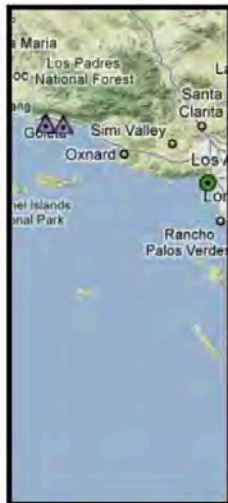
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Monitoring Program

Implementing a statewide HAB network and forecasting system for California

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What is being done?

The prevalence and intensity of HABs is a growing concern in coastal regions worldwide. California experiences a variety of HAB events each year, which can have a significant impact on marine mammal health and local fisheries. Risks to human health are mitigated by current monitoring and management practices, including ongoing research and public education efforts to inform people of health risks associated with HABs.

For a list of current HAB research projects in California, visit the [Projects](#) page.

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One Health Harmful Algal Bloom System (OHHABS)



Harmful algal blooms (HABs) can contaminate the environment, drinking water, recreational water, and food. They are an emerging public health issue. Exposure to HAB toxins through water, food, or air may cause a range of mild to severe symptoms in both humans and animals. HAB-associated exposures can result in illness of the intestines, lungs, and nervous system. Animals, such as dogs, cattle, birds, and fish, are likely to be affected more likely to drink from or swim in waters that contain HABs. People can be affected by HAB events from drinking contaminated water or from ingestion of contaminated water or food.

About the One Health Harmful Algal Bloom System (OHHABS)

The One Health Harmful Algal Bloom System (OHHABS) is a voluntary reporting system available to sta



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We should start now, because climate change is already acting on oceans dynamics



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attention!!!***