



THE IMPACT OF ROBOTICS AND NEW INTEGRATED OCEAN OBSERVING AND FORECASTING SYSTEMS IN SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY & SOCIETY

Combining Scientific Excellence & Technology Development
with... Impact and Relevance to and for Society

Our goal... characterise Ocean State AND Variability at Different Scales (basin, sub-basin, local & coastal interactions)

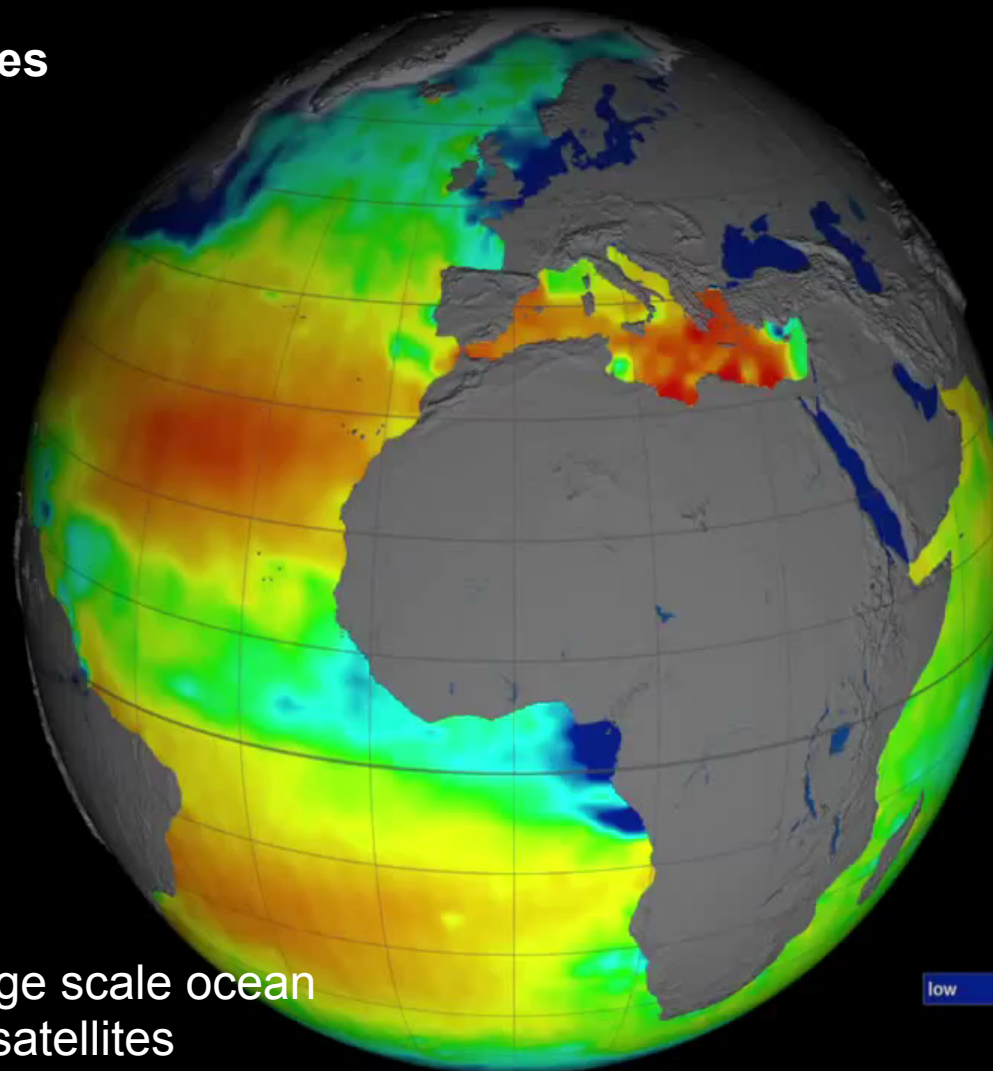
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- Long time series
- Synoptic data

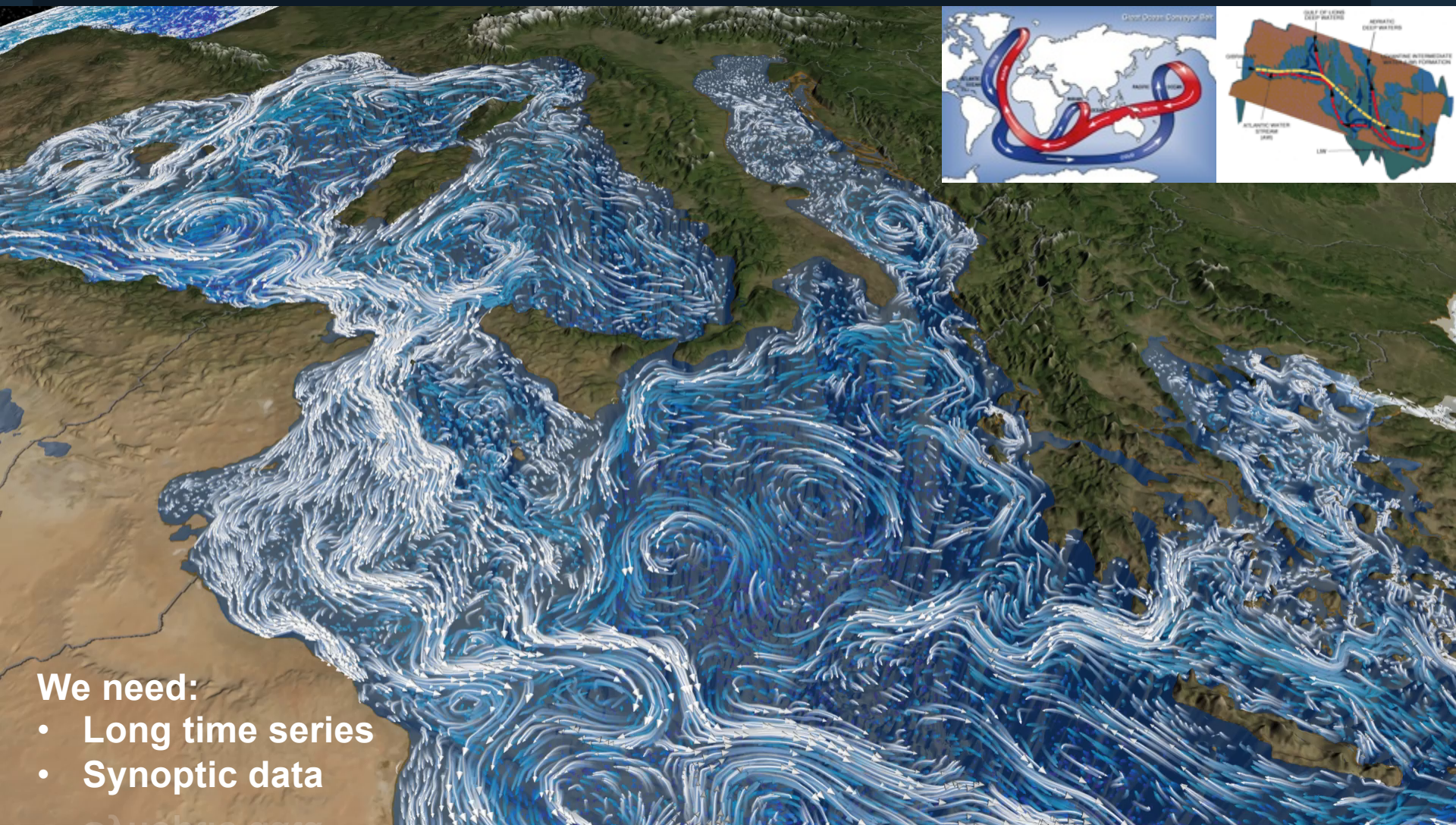
Walter Munk, 2001:
“The last century of
oceanography is
marked by the degree
of under-sampling”.

Carl Wunsch, 2010: “We
need data, ... models
are becoming
untestable”

Last decade: ok large scale ocean
circulation –Argo & satellites



Salinity
low high



We need:

- Long time series
- Synoptic data

Mediterranean Sea: Small Scale Ocean, high relevance European Citizens (Science and Society)

Mediterranean Sea and Balearic Sub-Basin

1. Small Scale Ocean ($R_i=12$ km) characterised by:

- Thermohaline basin scale circulation
- Intense mesoscale variability

(Malanotte-Rizzoli et al., 2013)

2. Ideal Laboratory:

- Interactions between mesoscale eddies and the basin scale circulation
- Importance and need of adequately resolving mesoscale to understand the basin scale variability, seasonal, annual & inter-annual scales.

3. Balearic Sub-basin: ideal transition area Gulf Lion (D_W) and Alborán Sea (S_{AW}), strong mesoscale dynamics.

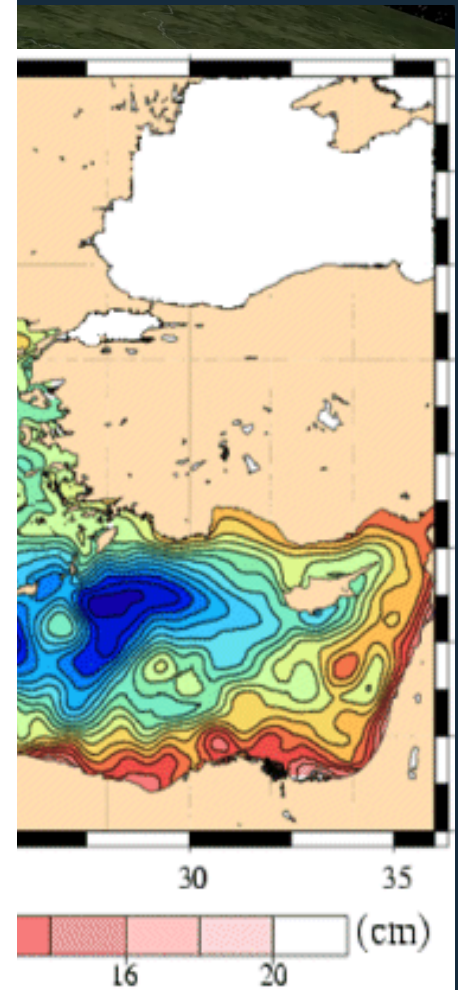
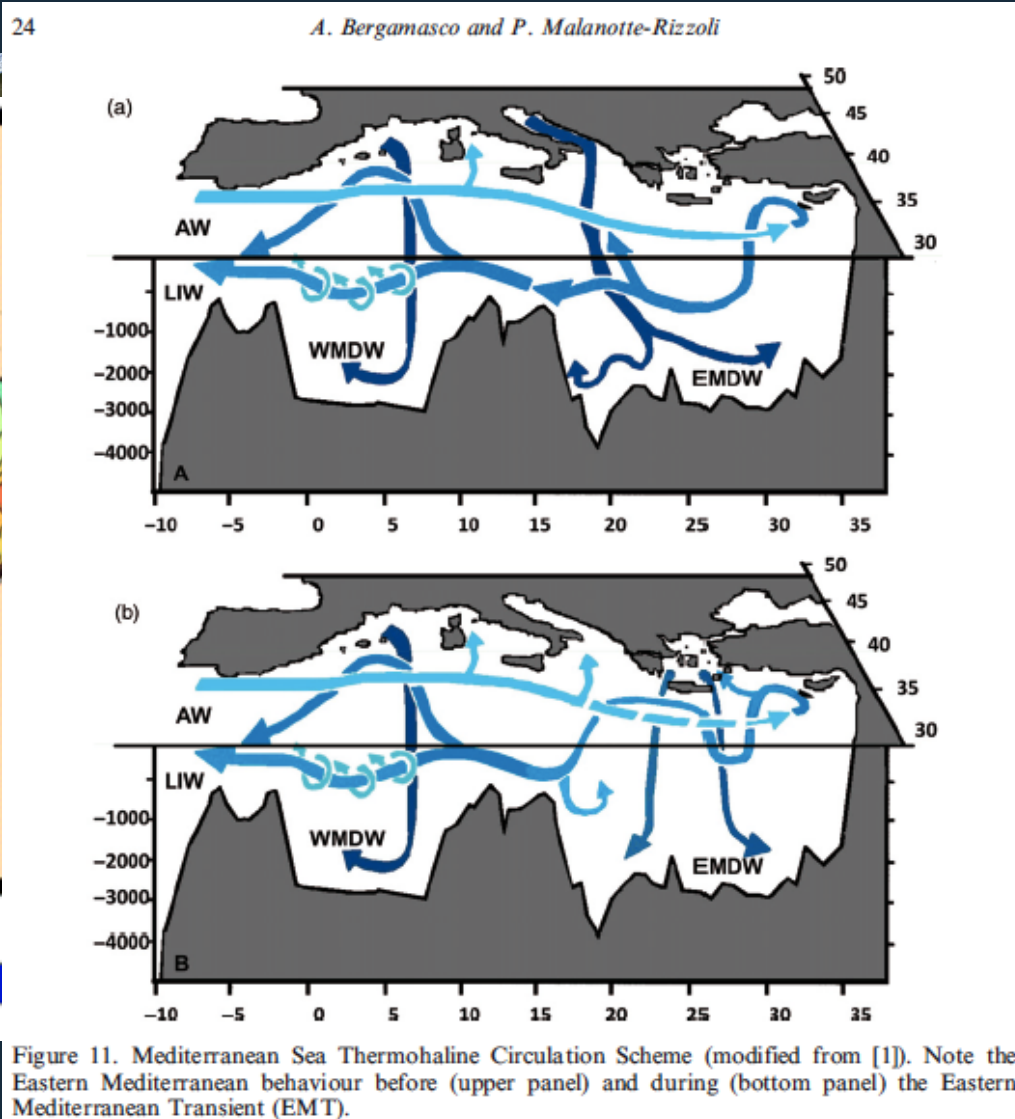
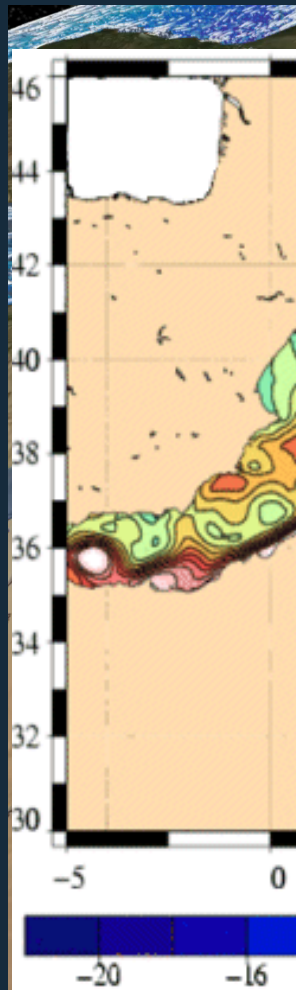
4. The Ibiza Channel, a key choke point

We need... Long time series ... YES.... BUT ALSO....

Synoptic data and ... Monitoring at the right scales

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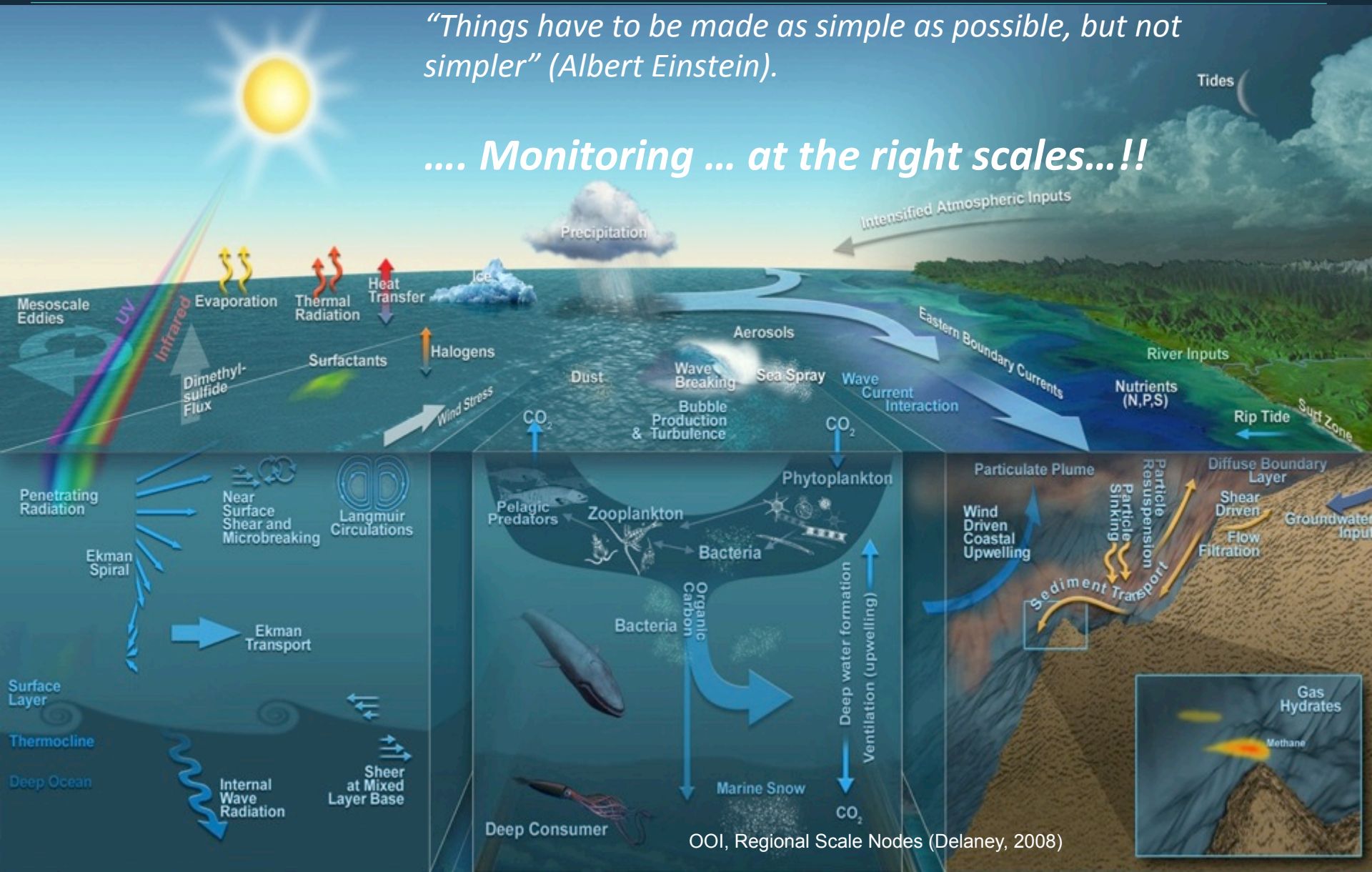
Mediterranean Sea: TH circulation & mesoscale eddies



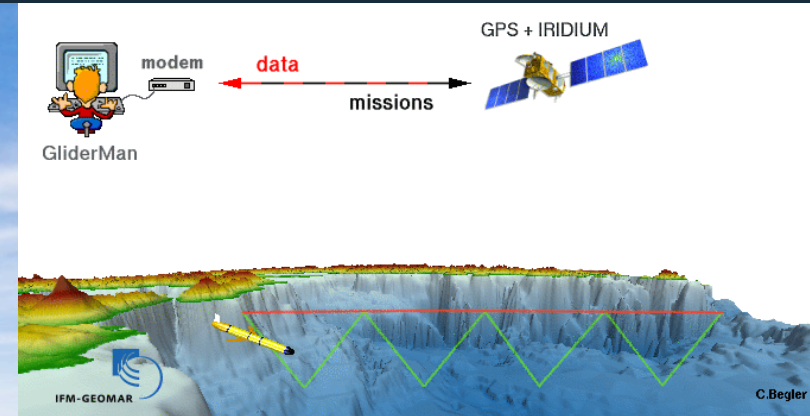
Oceans and coastal interactions. Scales interactions. Management is needed. No oversimplification.

“Things have to be made as simple as possible, but not simpler” (Albert Einstein).

.... Monitoring ... at the right scales...!!



New Technologies: drivers of change.... (gliders just an example)



SOCIB Glider Facility: 05/2006-10/2014

- 54 missions, 896 days in water, 10.450 nm
- 26.185 profiles (30 Euros/profile)
- Bi-monthly routine operation (since 01/2011)

New Technologies: Paradigm Shift

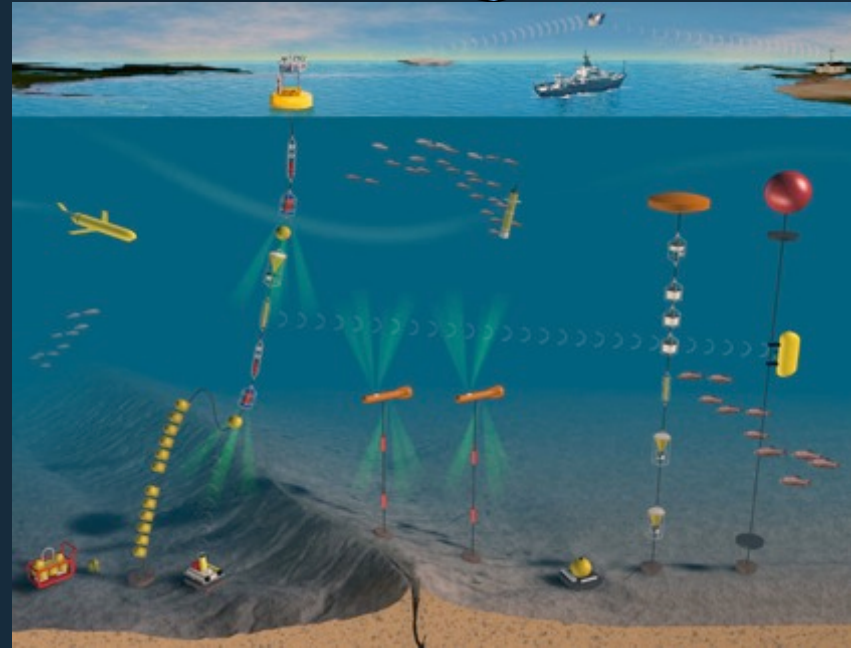
→ Ocean Observation

From: Single Platform - Ship based observation

To: Multi-platform observing systems

Network - distributed
Systems

Platform-centric
Systems



(Adapted from Steve Chien, JPL-NASA)

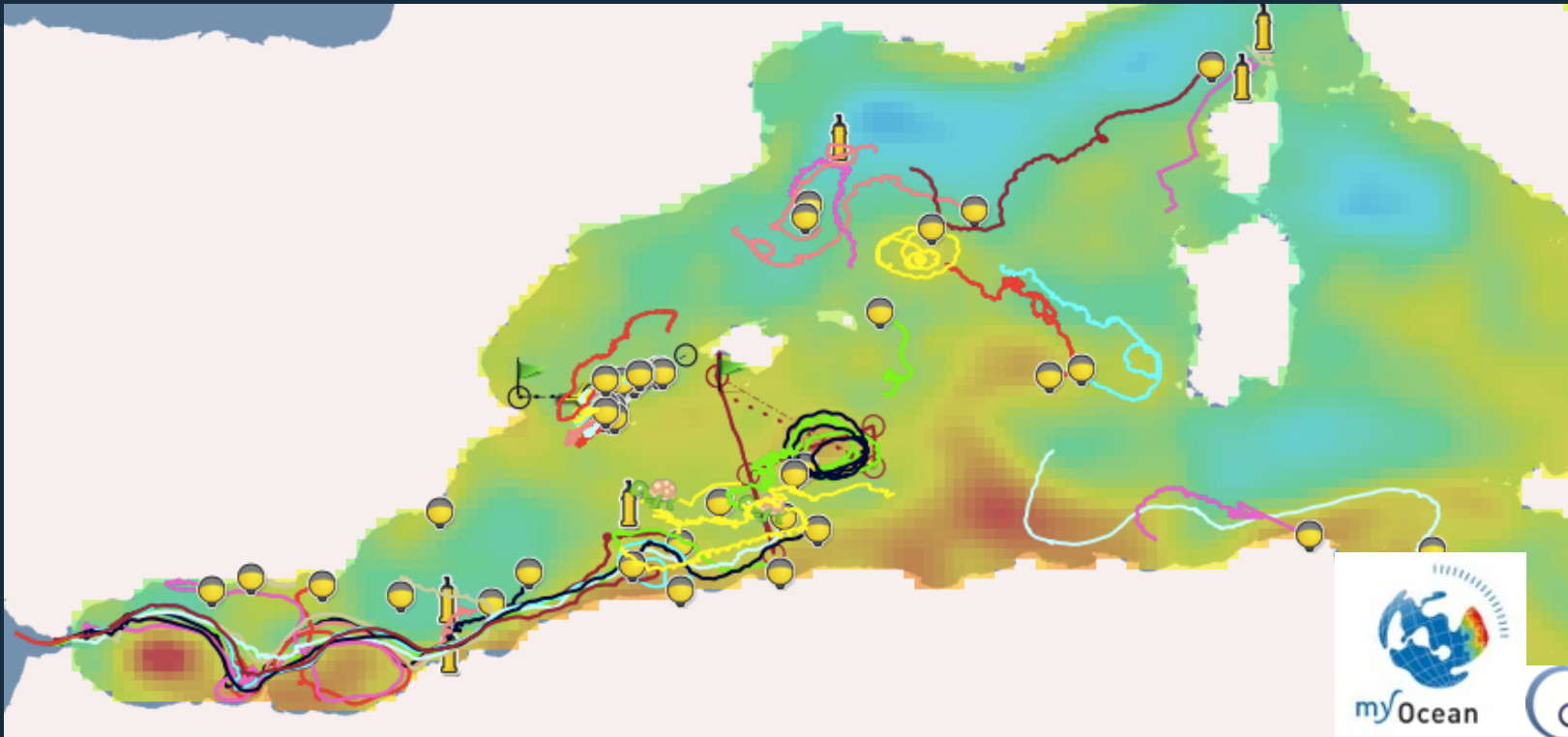
“A single ship can only be in one place at one time. We need to be present in multiple places in multiple times.” ([John Delaney, Nature, Sept. 25, 2013](#))

New Technologies: Paradigm Shift

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➔ Data Availability (Real time and QC 'at one click')

Dapp SOCIB: Nov – 2014, multi-platform real time data available: 40 surface drifters, 4 Argo profilers, 2 sea-turtles, 2 gliders, 2 fixed moorings, 7 tide gages, 3 real time beach monitoring systems). **REALLY ALL AVAILABLE** (not just on paper...)



- ➔ SOCIETAL IMPLICATIONS: Alborán Gyres position and fisheries: (Ruiz et al., 2013: Anchovy landings x 10)
- ➔ SCIENCE IMPLICATIONS: adaptive sampling with gliders...

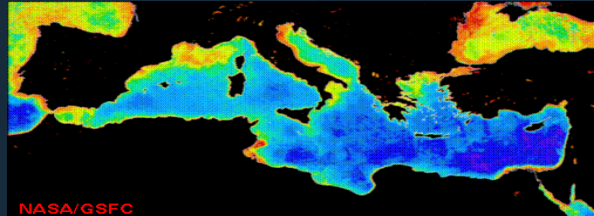


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What is SOCIB?: A multi-platform observing system, from nearshore to open-ocean in Mediterranean

3 DRIVERS

- Science priorities
- Technology Dev.
- Society Needs



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OPEN DATA PRINCIPLES

INTERNATIONAL FRAMEWORK

- IMOS, Neptune, OOI, IOOS, ...
- EU: MARINE KNOWLEDGE 2020;

EU COM May 8, 2014

[EU eyes oceans innovation as source of sustainable growth;](#)

EOOS, COSYNA, POSEIDON, ...



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OBSERVING FACILITIES



Research vessel



HF Radar



Gliders



Lagrangian platforms



Fixed stations



Beach Monitoring

MODELLING FACILITY



Currents (ROMS)



Waves (SWAN)

STRATEGIC ISSUES & APPLICATIONS FOR SOCIETY



Integrated Coastal Management



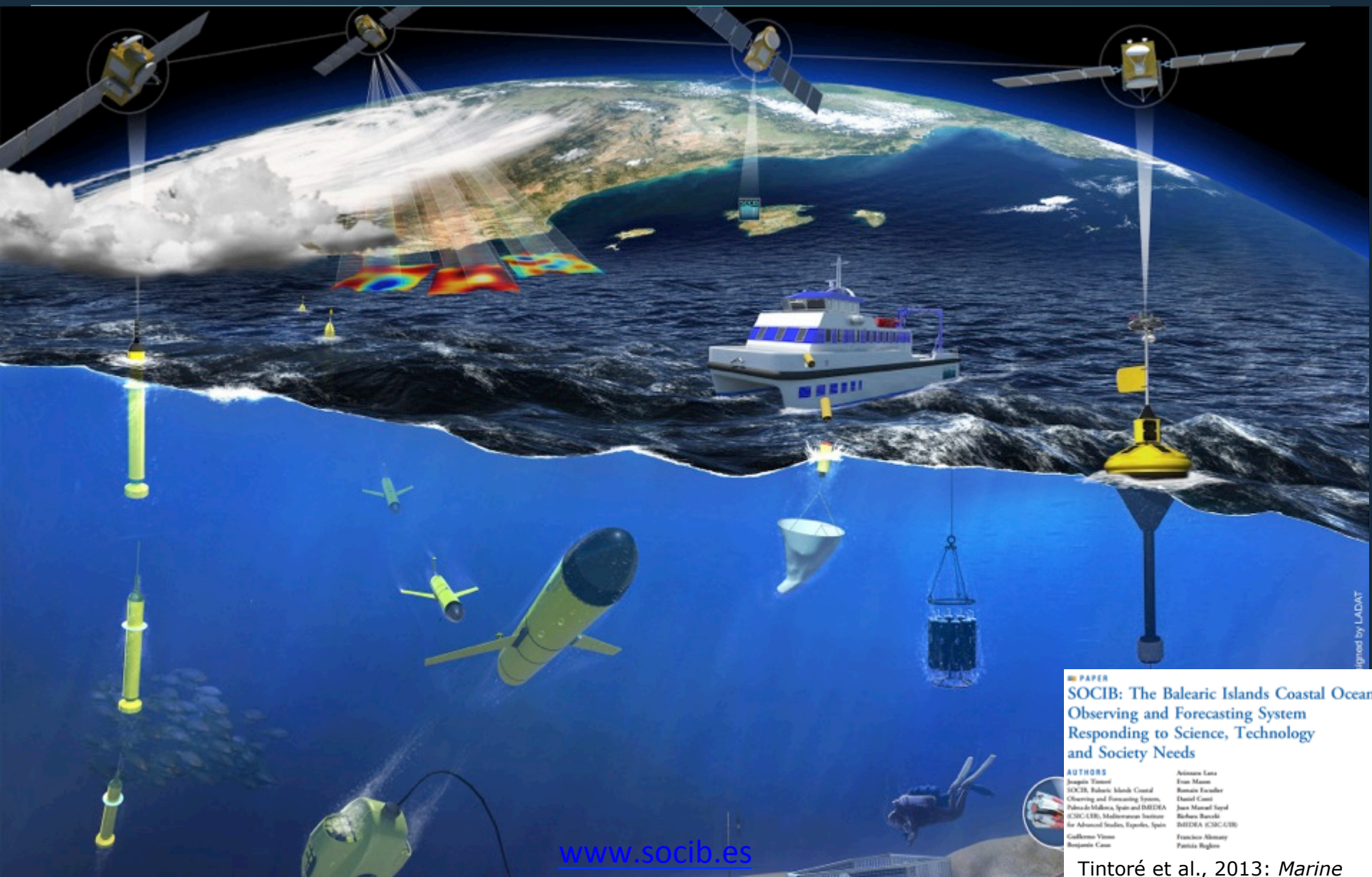
Marine Spatial Planning

DATA CENTER



Data access – Data Repository – Applications
Spatial data infrastructure – Real time monitor

What is SOCIB? A multi-platform observing system,



PAPER

SOCIB: The Balearic Islands Coastal Ocean Observing and Forecasting System Responding to Science, Technology and Society Needs

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Tintoré et al., 2013: *Marine*

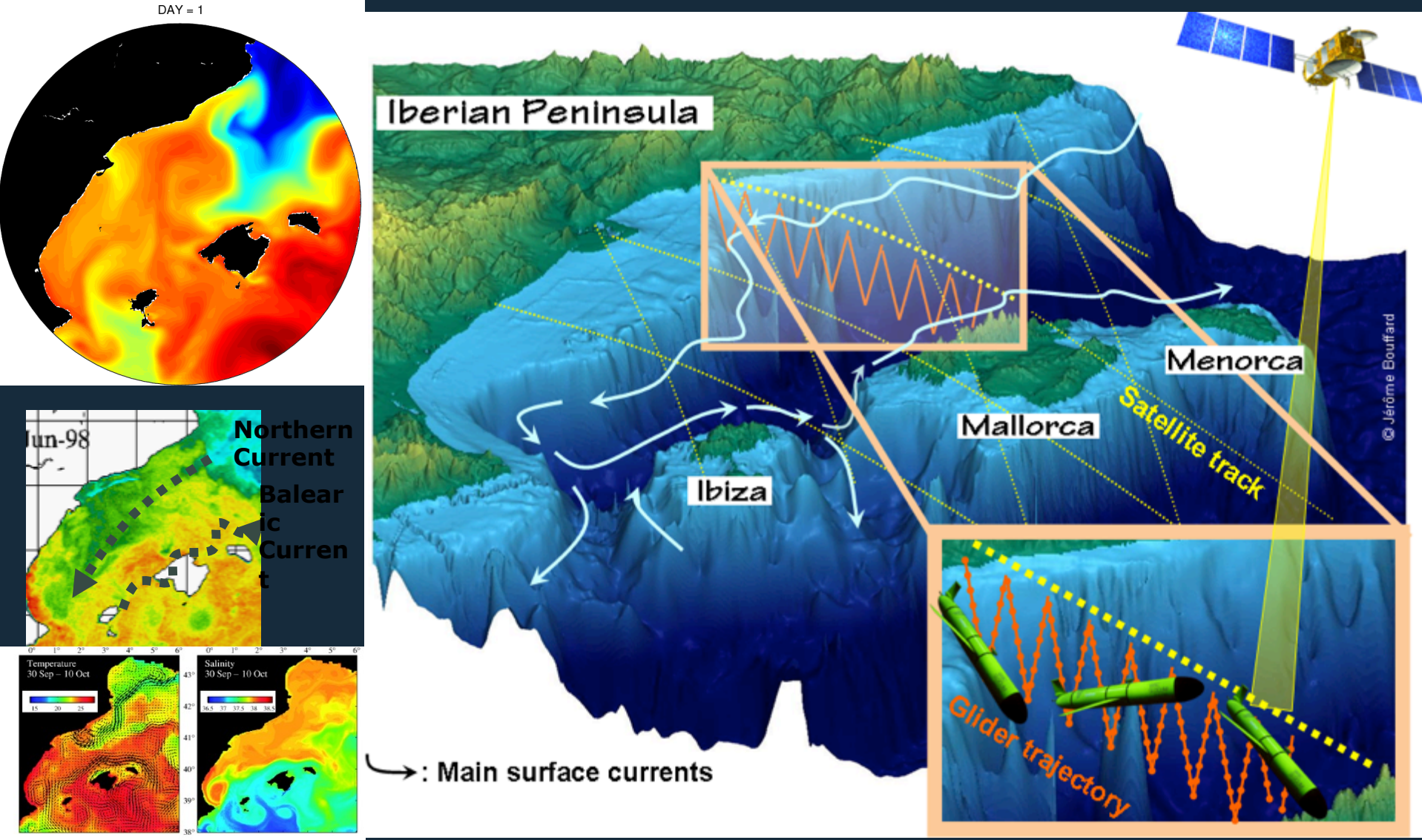
The real challenge for the next decade...:

To use and integrate these new technologies to carefully and systematically

- Monitor the variability at small scales, e.g. mesoscale/weeks, to
- Resolve the sub-basin/seasonal and inter-annual variability and by this
- Establish the decadal variability, understand the associated biases and correct them ...

Balearic basin (fronts, mesoscale eddies, blocking, hotspot, ecosystem response)

.... Ideal lab to study global ocean problems



SOCIB Data Centre: Real Time, Free Access & Download, Quality Controlled, Interoperable Data



MedSea Portal

SOCIB Data Centre

DATA CENTER FACILITY

- Manage all multi-platform SOCIB Data
- Allow users to discover, gather, visualize and download
- Immerse in the international framework and EU funded projects

OPEN DATA PRINCIPLES

- Discoverable and accessible
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**Turning DATA INTO JOBS (US - NOAA)....
Blue Growth**

SOCIB Developments and Applications: Mobile Apps



900 downloads



300 downloads

Gliders Facility: Science



**Mesoscale – Submesoscale /
Vertical motions - biogeo effects**

**Eddy/mean flow interactions –
Blocking effects General Circulation**

GEOPHYSICAL RESEARCH LETTERS, VOL. 36, L14607, doi:10.1029/2009GL038569, 2009

Vertical motion in the upper ocean from glider and altimetry data

Simón Ruiz,¹ Ananda Pascual,¹ Bartolomé Garau,¹ Isabelle Pujol,² and Joaquín Tintoré¹

JGR, 2010

**Coastal and mesoscale dynamics characterization using altimetry
and gliders: A case study in the Balearic Sea**

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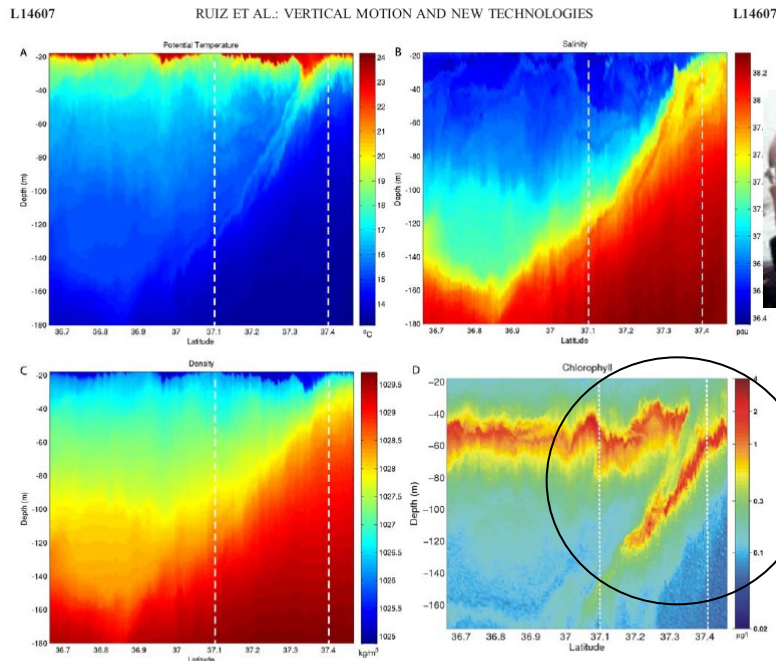
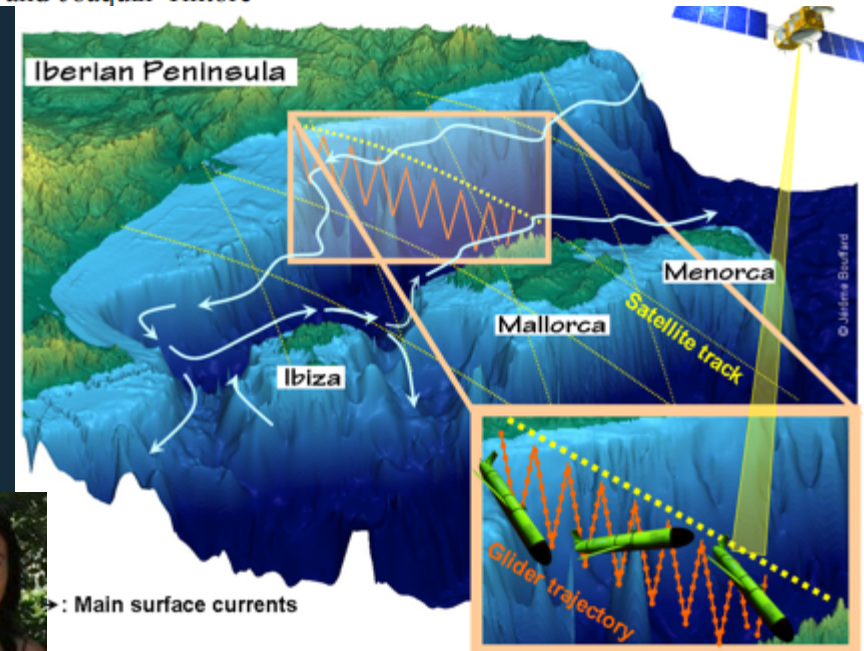
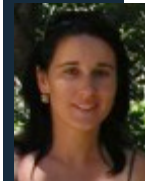


Figure 2. Vertical section of temperature (°C), salinity (PSU), density (kg/m³) and chlorophyll (µg/l) from glider section 2 (dashed magenta in Figure 1). White dashed lines define sub-section in the northern part of the domain.



Gliders Facility: Operational

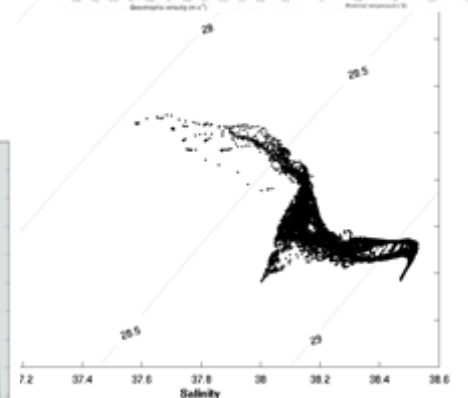
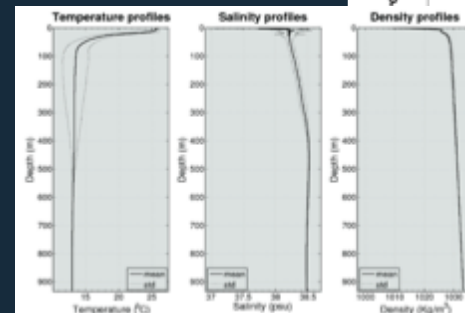
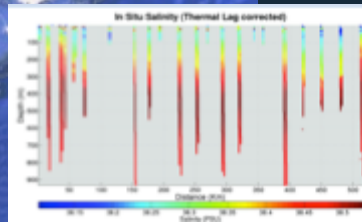
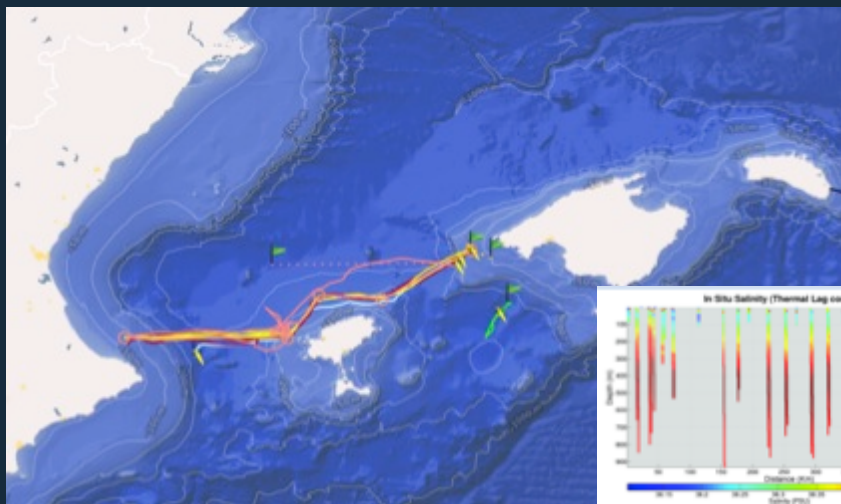
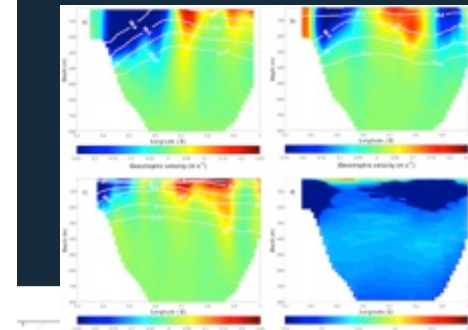
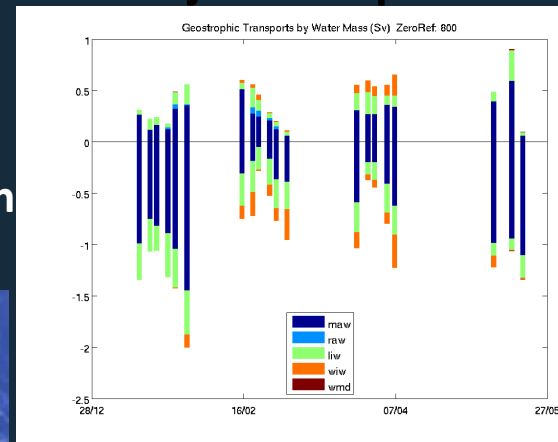
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Autonomous underwater gliders monitoring variability at “choke points” in our ocean system: A case study in the Western Mediterranean Sea

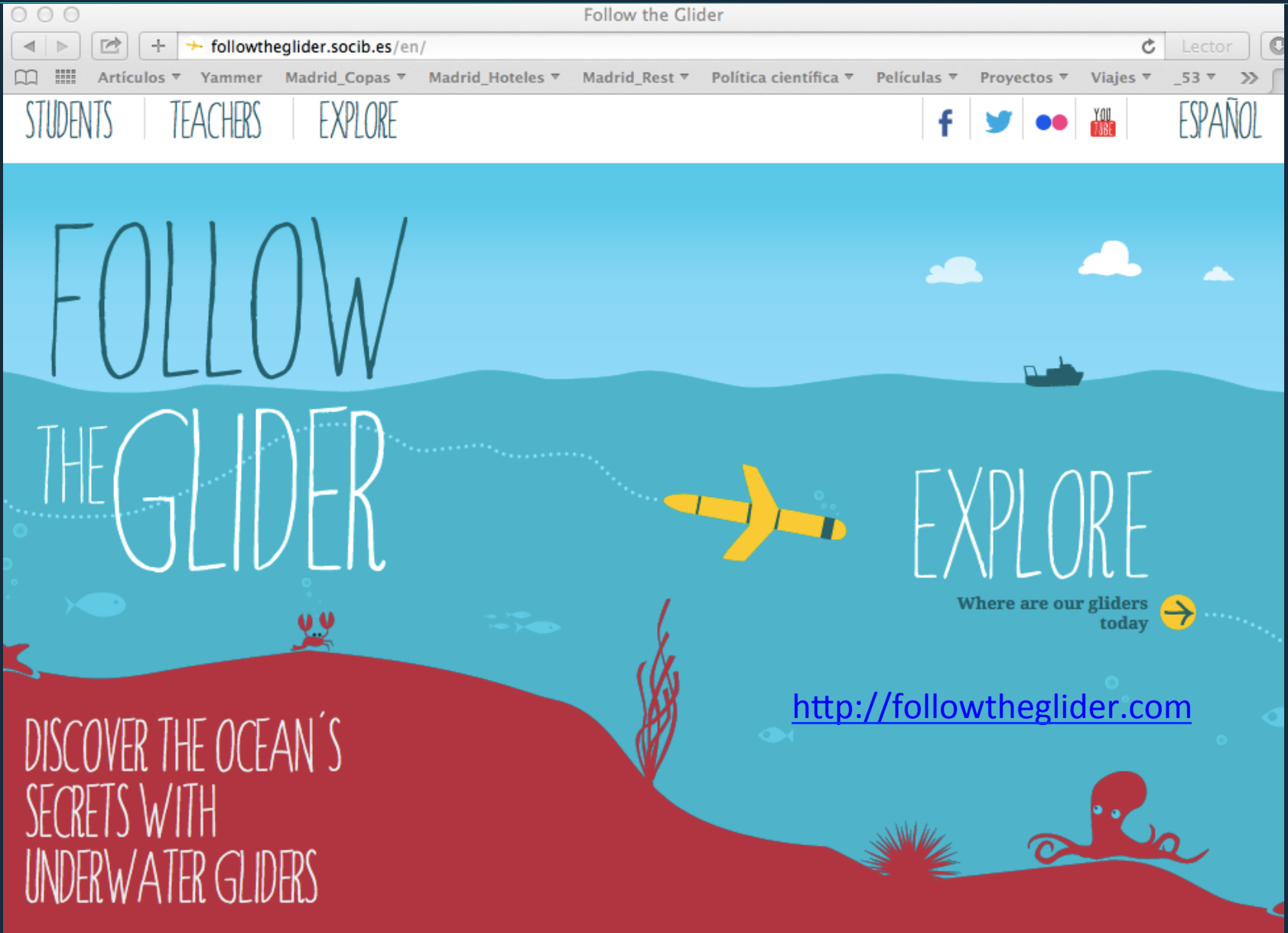
Emma E. Heslop,¹ Simón Ruiz,¹ John Allen,^{2,3} José Luís López-Jurado,⁴ Lionel Renault,⁵ and Joaquín Tintoré^{1,5}

- After 32 glider missions (started in 2006), + 17.000 profiles (30 Euros/profile)
- Since January 2011; routine operation

Major transport changes

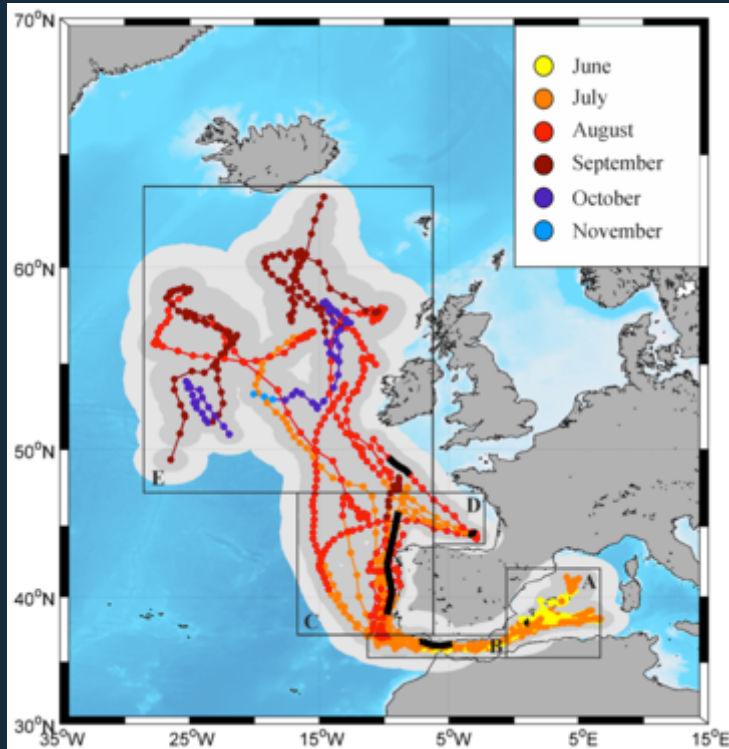


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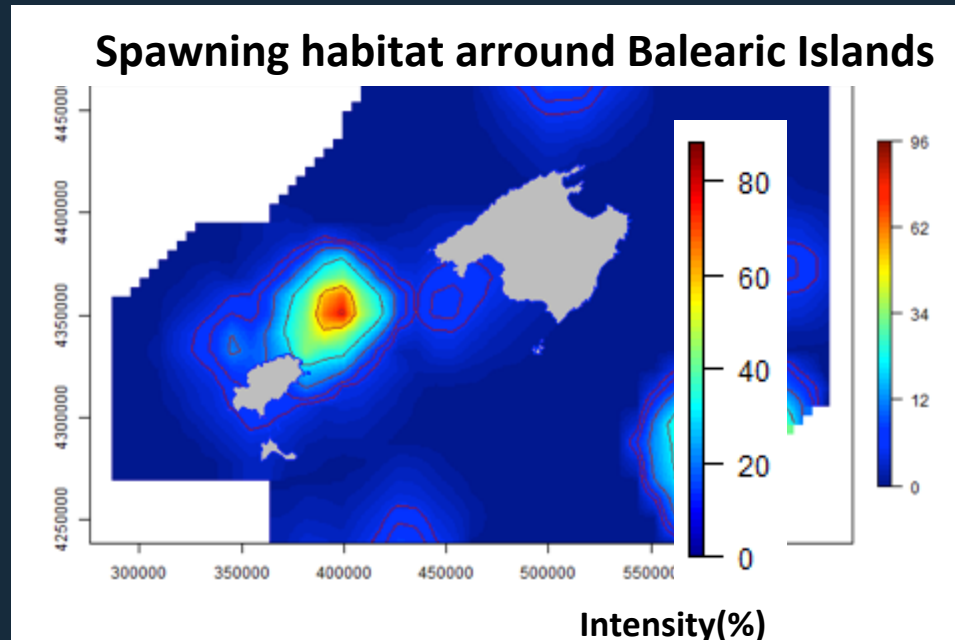


Bluefin Tuna; developing an operational oceanography tool for predicting spawning habitat in W. Med

Migration patterns along the year
(Eastern Stock)



Aranda et al, PONE 2013



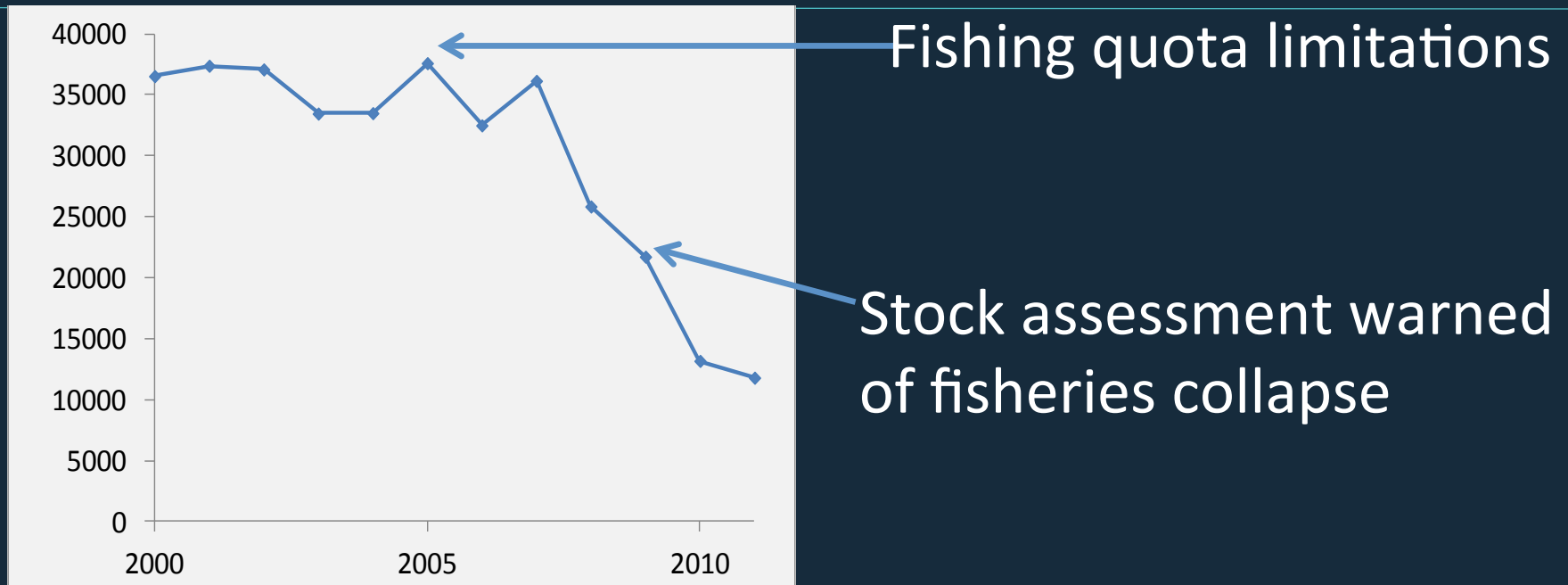
J.L. Cort 2007



Alvarez-Berastegui D. (dalvarez at socib.es)

INTRODUCTION

Overfishing: Temporal evolution of the catch (2000-2011)



Actual management of Bluefin tuna:

- 1- Fishing quota (after abundance indices calculated from adult catches)
- 2- Minimum fish length regulations

ACTUAL MEASUREMENTS TO CONTROL TUNA POPULATIONS
DO NOT INCLUDE ENVIRONMENTAL VARIABILITY

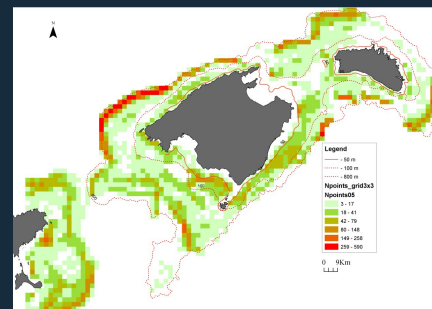
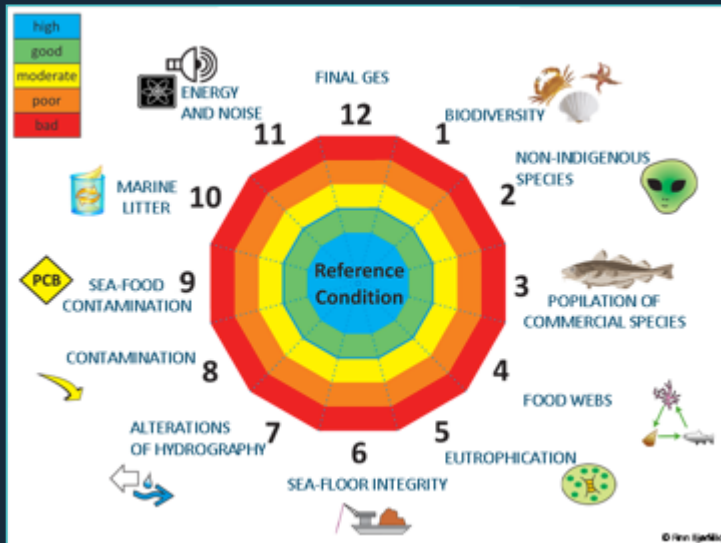
SOCIB Developments and Applications: Contribution to IMP, e.g., MSFD. Strong science for wise decisions.

MSFD A KEY SOCIETAL DRIVER:

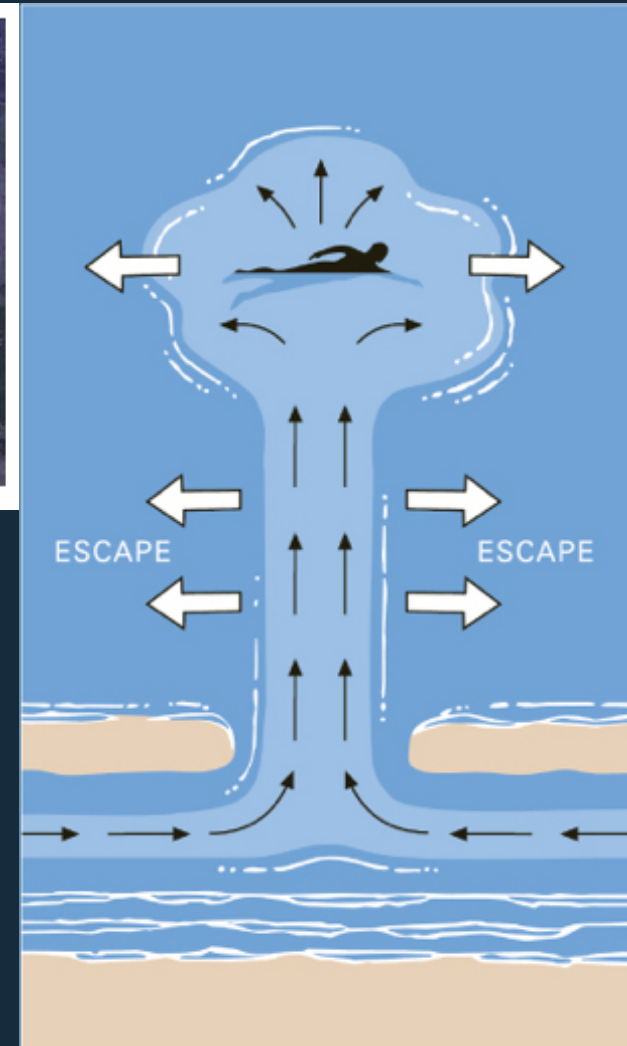
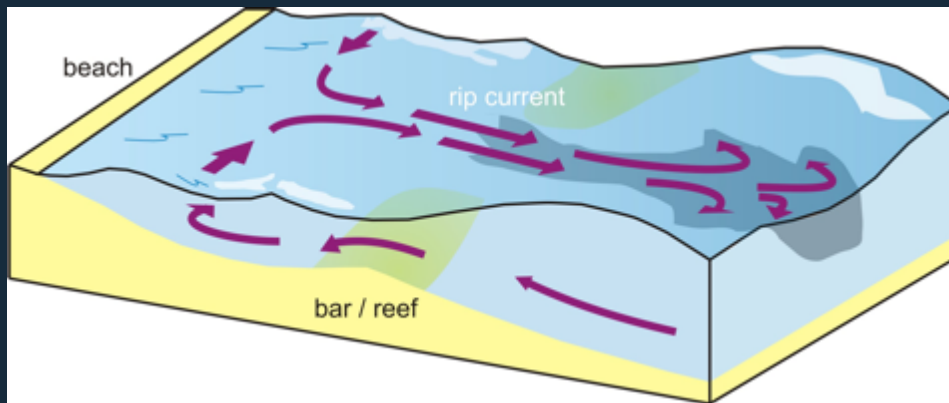
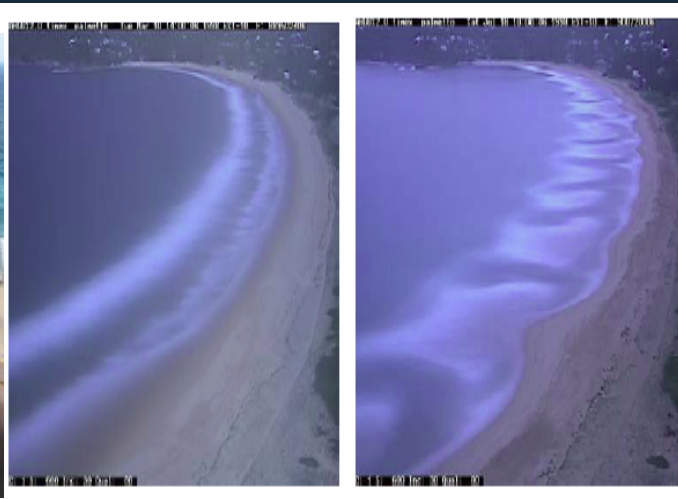
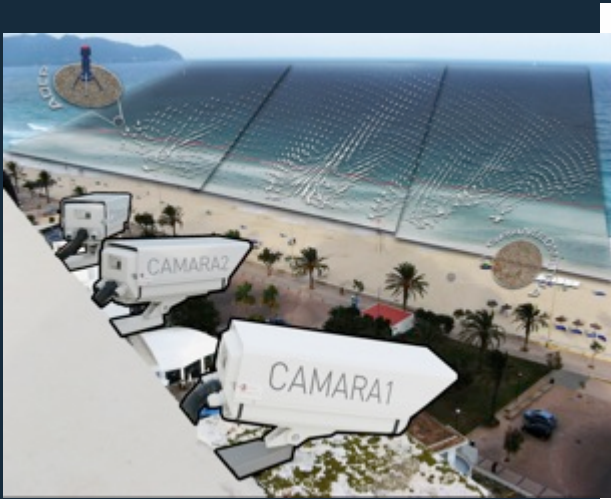


"What we measure affects what we do. If we have the wrong measures, we will strive for the wrong things"
(Joseph Stiglitz, 2010)

"Bridging the science-policy gap is arguably the biggest current challenge to achieving sustainability"
(Lubchenco and Sutley, 2010, Science).



SOCIB Technology Development & Applications: Beach Safety -Rip Currents-



Beach monitoring using cameras, breakers, rips, bathymetry changes, etc.

SOCIB Developments and Applications: Touristic sector



Be proud of your hotel!

We are pleased to inform you that this hotel contributes to beach conservation and science based coastal and ocean management. Your hotel collaborates with the Beach Monitoring Programme from SOCIB.



Observation and real time data

Beach evolution



Son Bou - Cam 01: 19/03/2014 12:00

Hotel weather station

Rain accumulation

0.24 mm

0.24 High 0.24 Low

Swimming conditions



No data received

Beach overview



Son Bou - Cam 03: 19/03/2014 13:18

Beach information

Beach type: 2.5 km linear natural beach with dunes
Sediment type: medium to fine biogenic sands
Scientific interest: beachrocks, lagoon inlet, rip

More information



Forecast

Weather forecast

Light rain on Sunday and Monday;
temperatures peaking at 19° on Saturday.

Today



Windy in the morning.			
Temp	Wind	Humidity	Pressure
17.9 °C 13.7 °C	25.0 km/h (SE)	76 %	1022.0 hPa

Thursday



Mostly cloudy throughout the day			
Temp	Wind	Humidity	Pressure
18.8 °C 14.1 °C	6.4 km/h (NW)	82 %	1020.7 hPa

Friday



Clear throughout the day			
Temp	Wind	Humidity	Pressure
18.8 °C 14.4 °C	5.8 km/h (SE)	81 %	1019.6 hPa

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Waves forecast

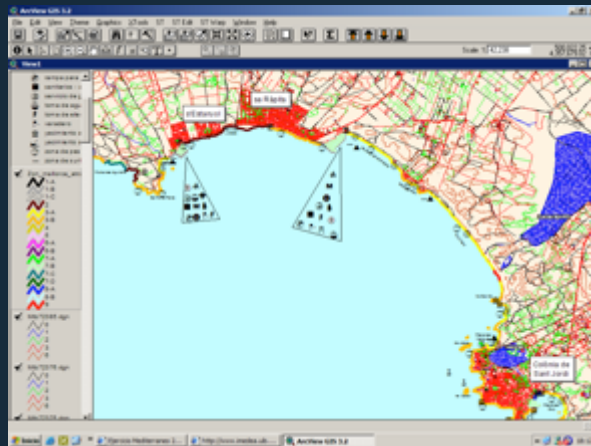


Waves at 21/03/2014 11:00

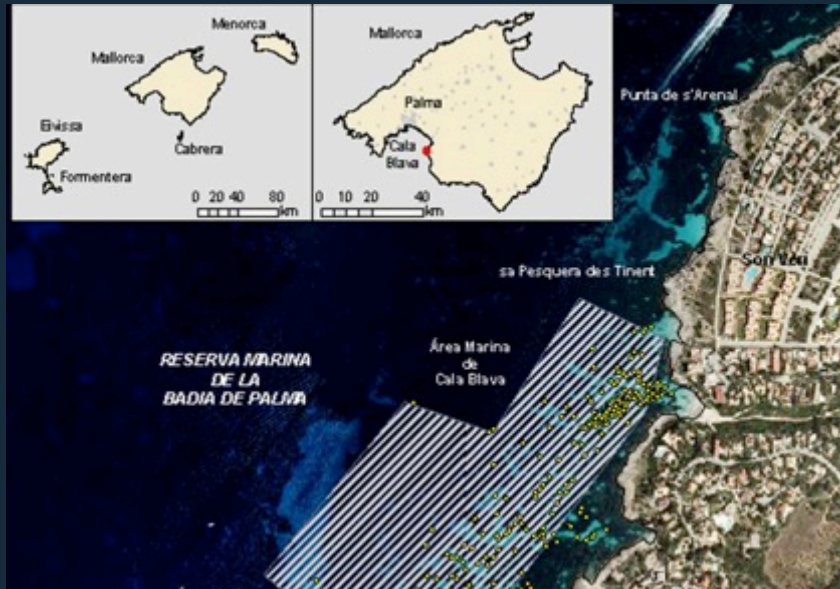
SOCIB Developments and Applications: Tools for Marine and Coastal Safety Decision Support

ESI (Environmental Sensitivity Index)

This system incorporates all the available information and identifies resources at risk, establishing protection priorities and identifying appropriate response.



SOCIB Developments and Applications: Socio-environmental studies carrying capacity beaches



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Multi-Method Approach to Exploring Social–Ecological Dimensions in a Mediterranean Suburban Beach Setting

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Innovation in oceanographic instrumentation

We need:

- Long time series
- Synoptic data
- γ λοβρική αετς

3 elements:

- Oceans complexity imply and drive a need for improvement of instrumental capacities
- The innovation process, complexity and incubation time:
 - Incubation time: 15-30 years (computer mouse, 30 years). Gliders 10 years. WHY?
- The key to success

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Innovation in Oceanographic Instrumentation

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INTRODUCTION

The tools of oceanography include instruments that measure properties of the ocean and models that provide continuous estimates of its state. Major improvements in tool capabilities lead to leaps in understanding, and this increased knowledge has many practical benefits. Advances in tool capabilities are sometimes viewed as an objective of basic research, a viewpoint reflected in the basic research funding category of "science and technology" (S&T).

The complexities of and incubation times for advancing instrumentation are often not fully appreciated, resulting in unrealistic expectations and discontinuous support. Greater understanding of the process of innovative instrument development can contribute to sustaining it. Innovation can be incremental or radical depending on performance gains (Utterback, 1994), stimulated or suppressed depending on institutional factors (Van de Ven, 1989; Office of

Technology Assessment, 1995), and sustaining or disruptive depending on value propositions (Christensen, 1997). For example, going from a Nansen to a Niskin bottle was an incremental innovation, whereas going from bottle casts to CTD profiles was a radical innovation. Moored current meters incrementally advanced from film recording of gauges, to mechanically digitized signals on reel-to-reel tape, to solid-state analog, to digital conversion and memory. Radical innovation of current-field measurement came with the acoustic Doppler current profiler.

In large organizations, stimulated innovation often occurs in research departments, particularly when the projects have champions: "the new idea either finds a champion or dies" (Schon, 1963). In other parts of the same organization, innovation may be suppressed by the costs associated with re-integrating a system and minimal perceived competition. The incubation time of the

computer mouse from inception to wide use was 30 years. In oceanographic observation, where synoptic coverage is an objective, a sustaining innovation would be a sampling platform with improved propulsion that doubles its speed. A disruptive innovation would be a new platform with much slower speed, but with much longer duration and a low enough cost to be deployed in great numbers. Here, we will focus on radical, stimulated, disruptive innovation that involves both science and engineering.

To motivate continued investment in basic research, the histories of many radical innovations, ranging from the transistor to radar to the Internet, have been documented (Bacher, 1959; Hetrick, 1959; Becker, 1980; Hove and Gowen, 1979; Allison, 1985; Abbate, 2000. The Defense Acquisition History Team at the US Army Center of Military History is also preparing a document on this subject.). These cases clearly demonstrate that "rapid" innovation in

The innovation process (for advancing instrumentation)

3 key decision centres:

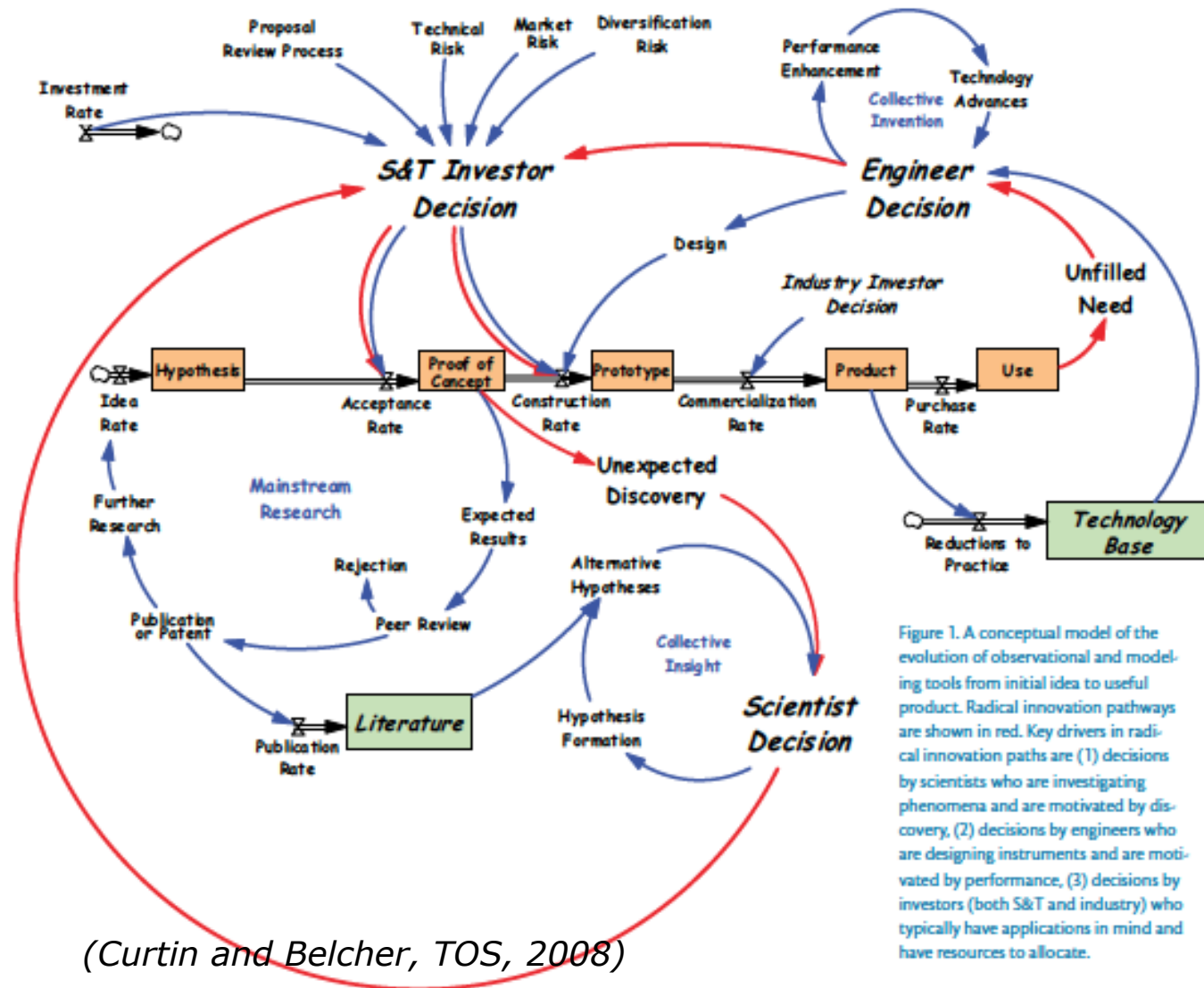


Figure 1. A conceptual model of the evolution of observational and modeling tools from initial ideas to useful product. Radical innovation pathways are shown in red. Key drivers in radical innovation paths are (1) decisions by scientists who are investigating phenomena and are motivated by discovery, (2) decisions by engineers who are designing instruments and are motivated by performance, (3) decisions by investors (both S&T and industry) who typically have applications in mind and have resources to allocate.

The key to success for radical innovation in oceanographic instrumentation

1. Visionary leadership
2. Close coupling between science and engineering
3. A coherent investment strategy based on distributed, coordinated resources
4. Effective processes for communication, feedback, and contingency planning.
5. Incentive to assume responsibility for risky instrumentation development projects without undue career jeopardy.

In summary: work in collaborative, multidisciplinary teams, ...focused on long term objectives while producing short-term success, and find creative champions among funding agencies and investor organizations.

- MULTI-DISCIPLINARY APPROACH
- INTEGRATION

Summary: the new role of Ocean Observatories/Marine Research Infrastructures-MRI-


➡ SOCIB, an example MRI capabilities to **respond to 3 drivers:**

- Science Priorities (ok!)
- Strategic Society Needs (more listening!: to policy makers & managers endorsement, MSFD -GES- Energy, Tourism, etc.).
- New Technology Developments (to reach companies, social society endorsement)

Summary; We NEED A STRATEGY FOR INTEGRATION..... & Combine Excellent Science with IMPACT ON SOCIETY....

1. New technologies/paradigm change Ocean Observation: Ocean Variability, with shift from Large Scale to Mesoscale and Coasts.
2. Marine Research Infrastructures/Observing Systems in Europe; international leadership -e.g., SOCIB-, & key elements in Blue Growth initiatives (**EU Oceans Innovation COM**) because their:
 - Critical mass
 - Multi-disciplinary approach
 - Integration capabilities of Science, Technology, Society

In other words: ...



**New observing systems with real time open data are
key elements for real innovation initiatives
“Turning data into jobs”**