

Tracking ocean acidification in north central California

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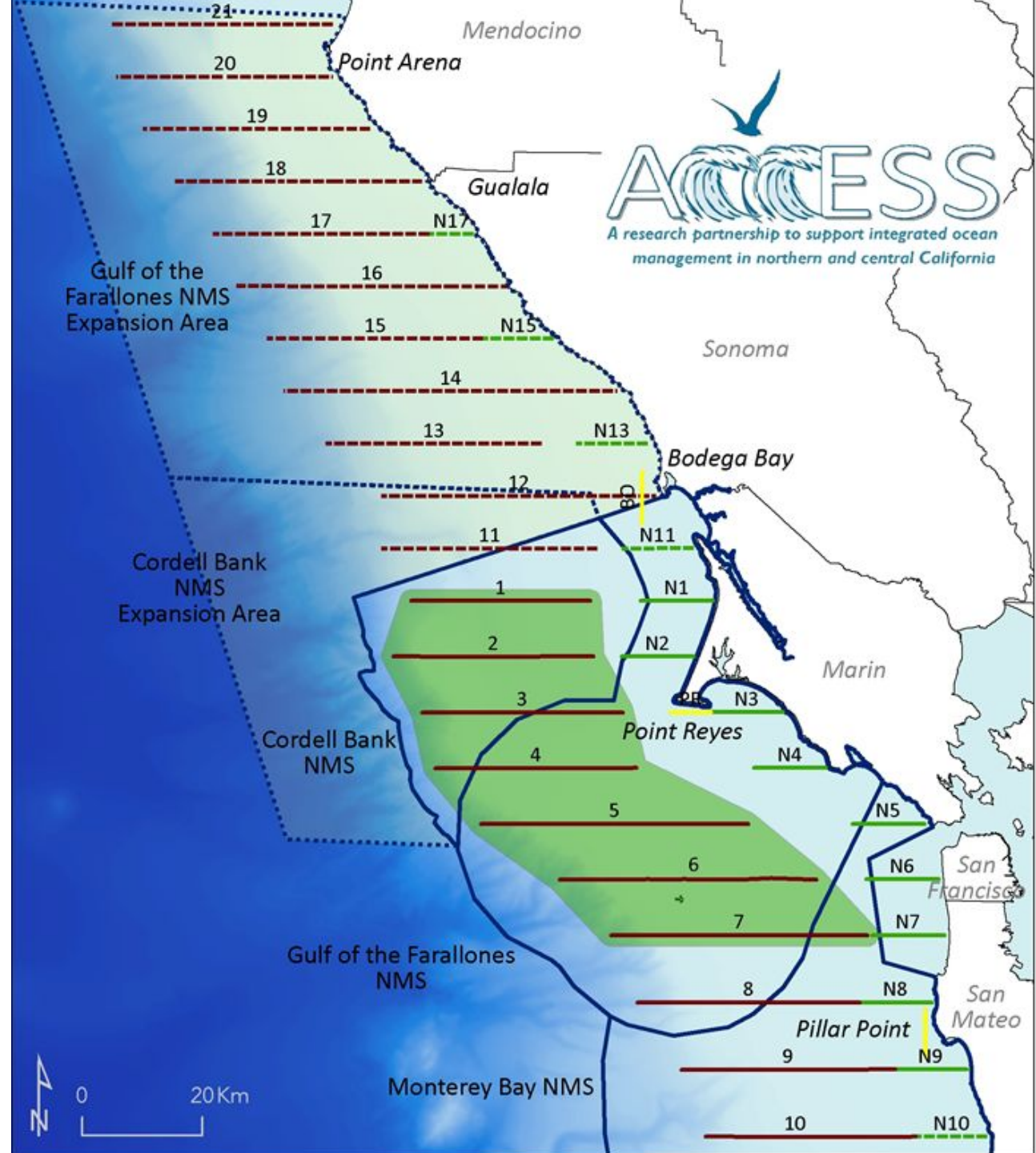
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ACCESS research takes ecosystem approach

- Water physical and chemical properties (Oceanography: CTD, OA, nutrients)
- Zooplankton and fish composition, abundance and distribution (nets, acoustics)
- Whale and seabird abundance and distribution (strip and line transects)



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Calculating aragonite saturation from commonly measured variables (T, S, DO)


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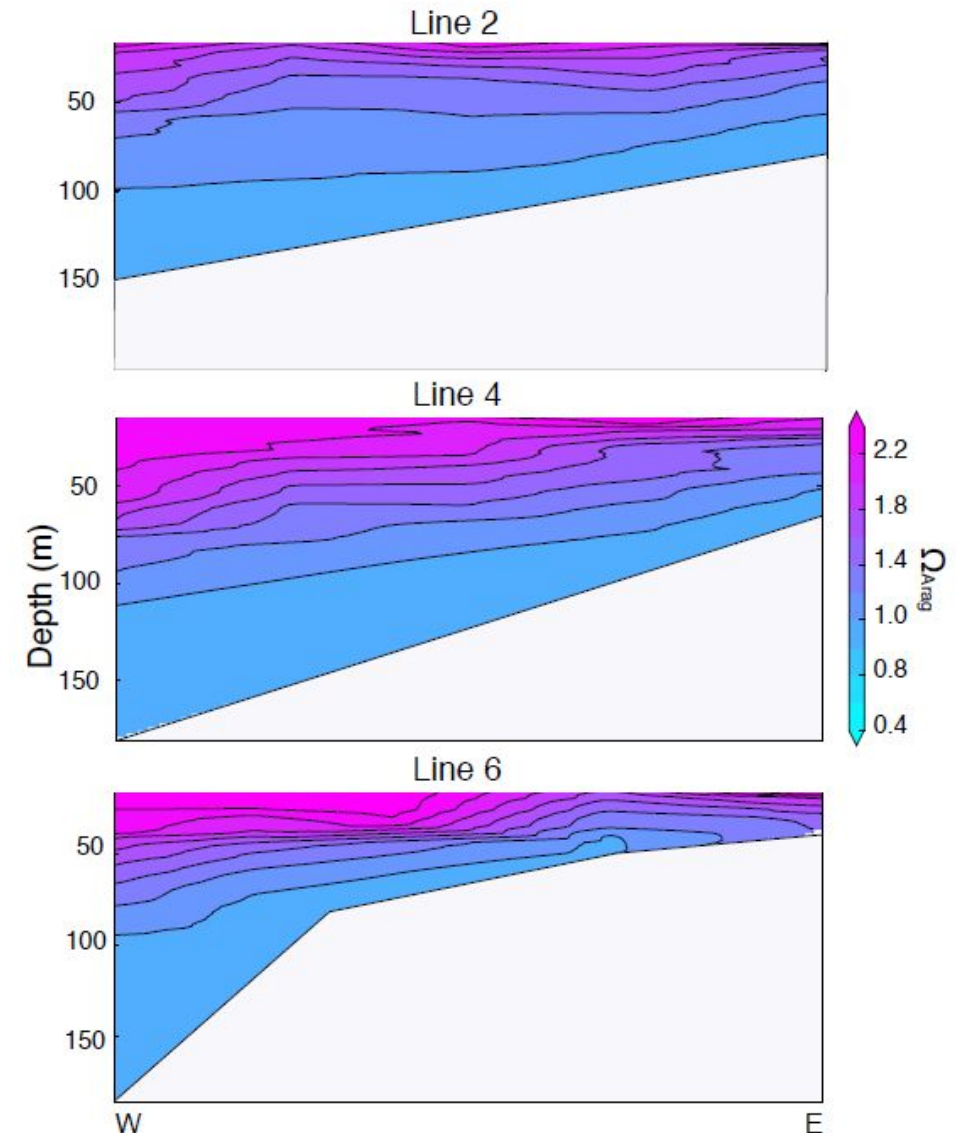
Reconstructing Aragonite Saturation State Based on an Empirical Relationship for Northern California

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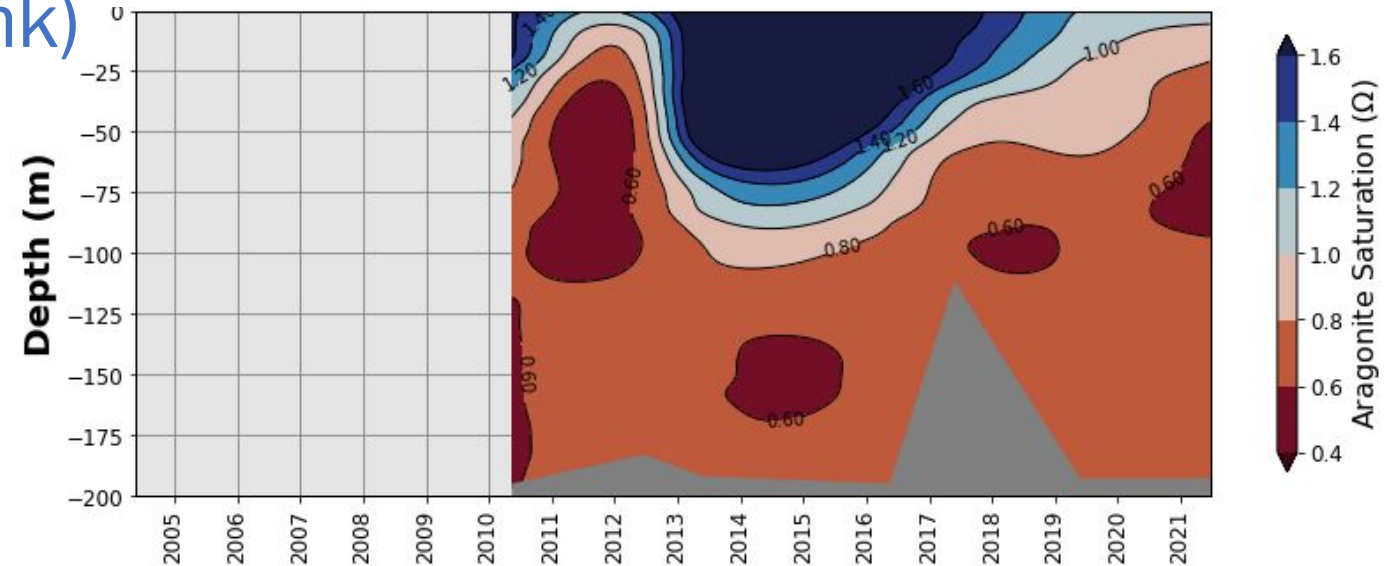
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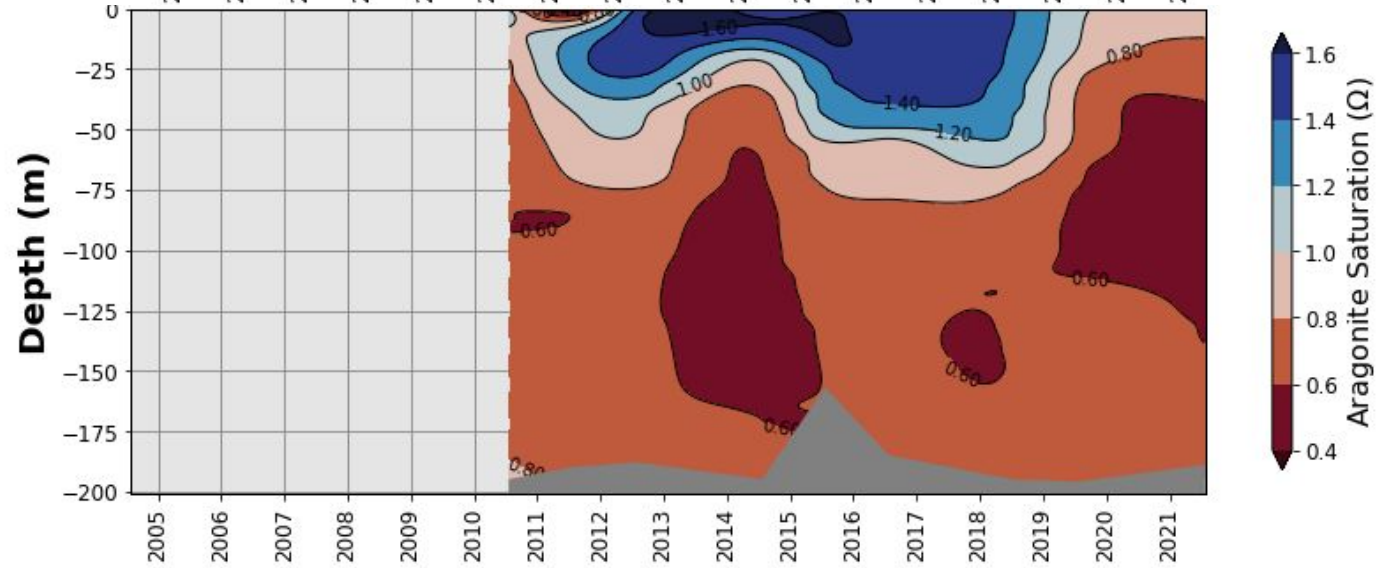
Aragonite saturation through time

Station 2-W (Cordell Bank)

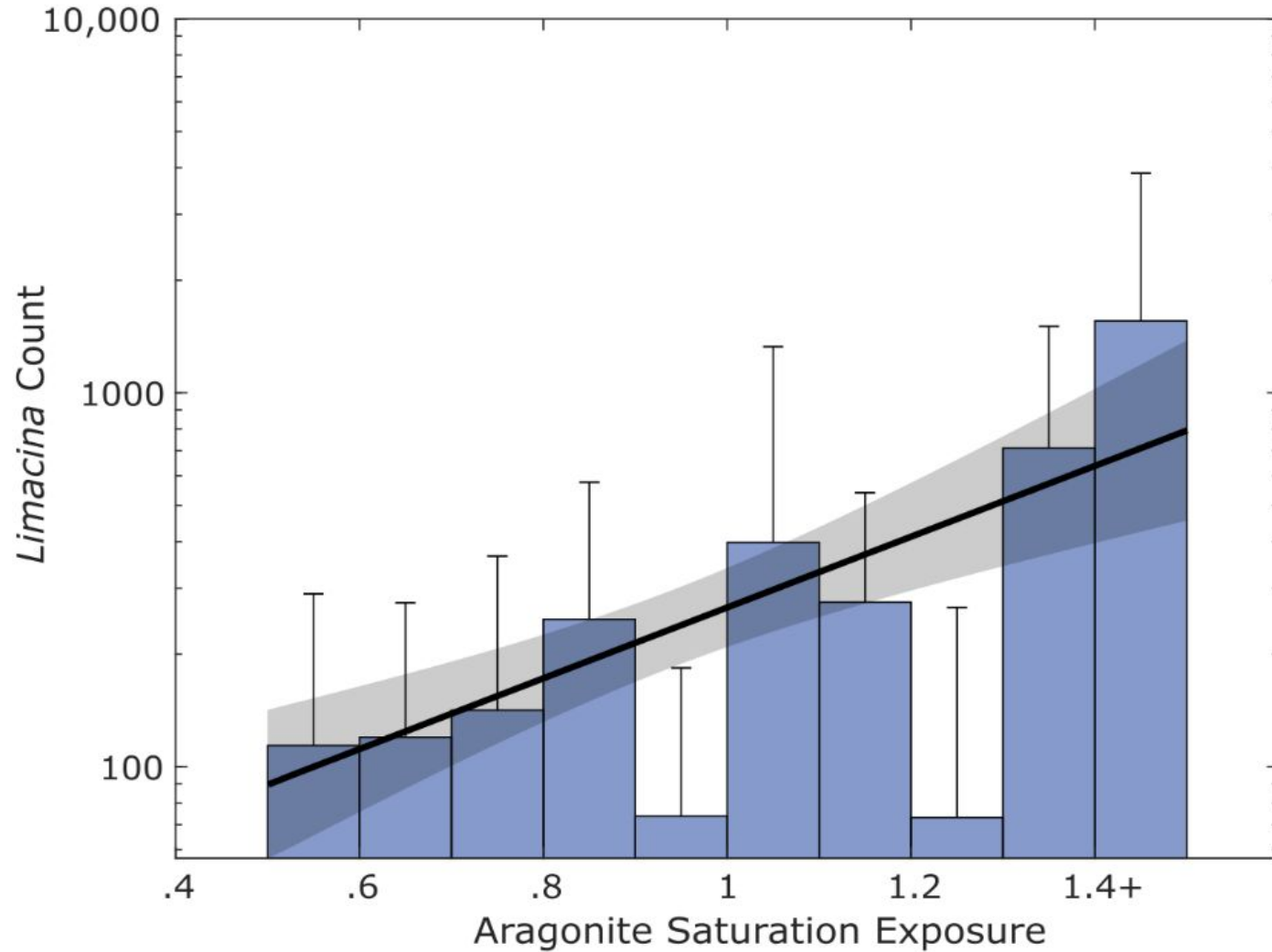
Spring cruises
(Apr/May)



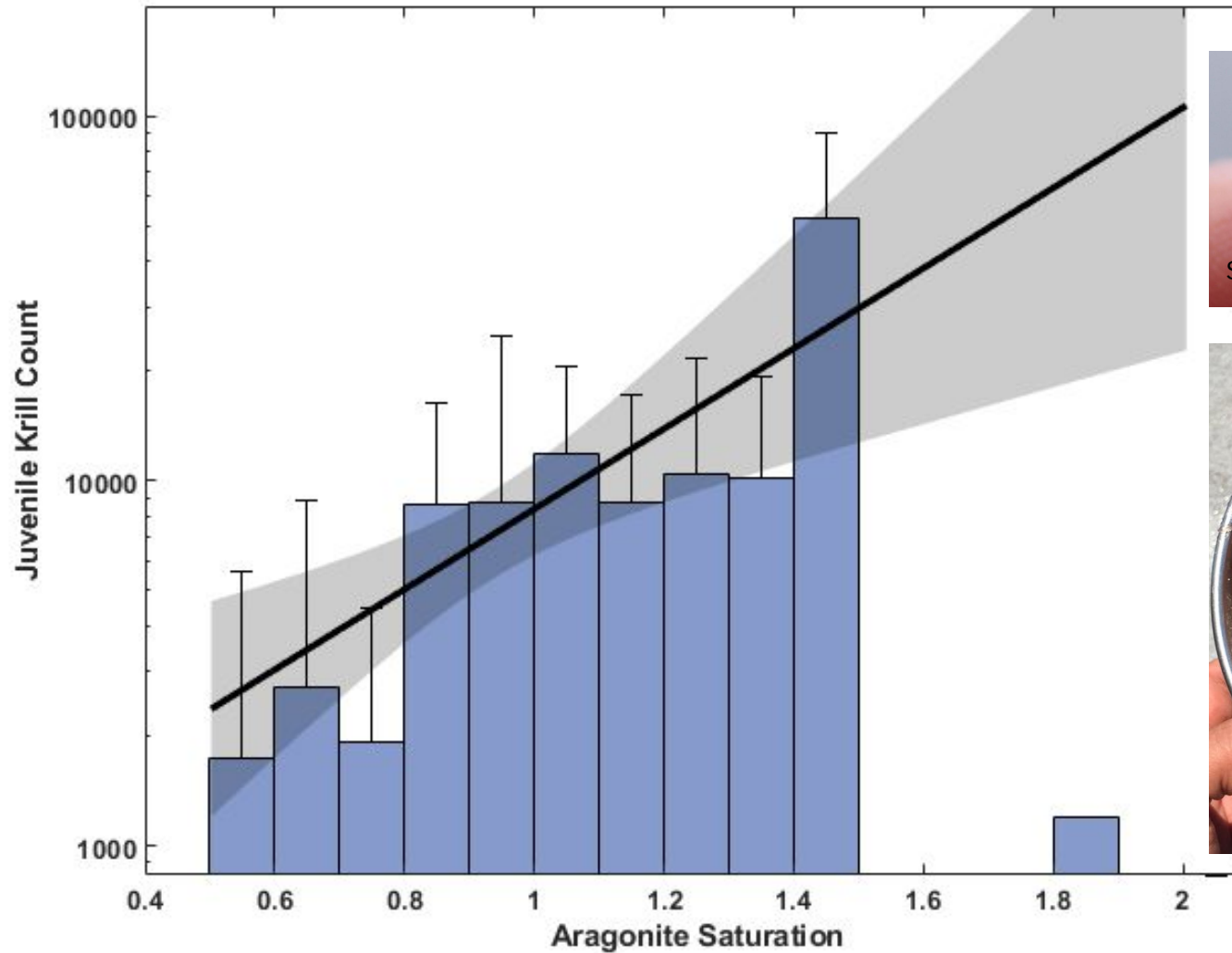
Summer cruises
(Jun/Jul)



Acidic waters in the GOF have fewer pteropods



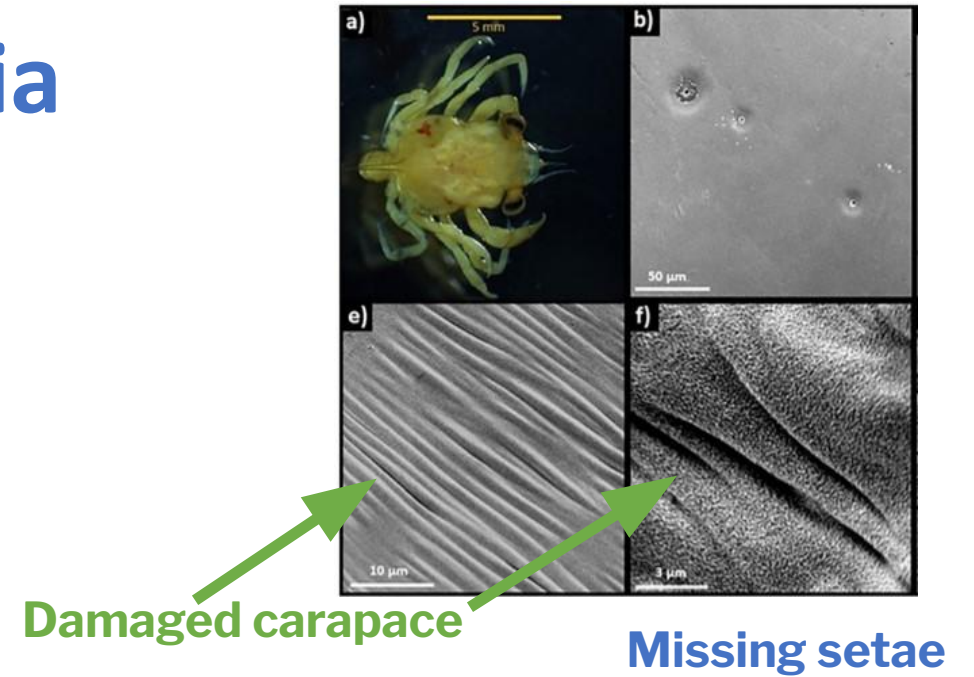
Acidic waters in the GOF have fewer juvenile krill



OAH monitoring in California

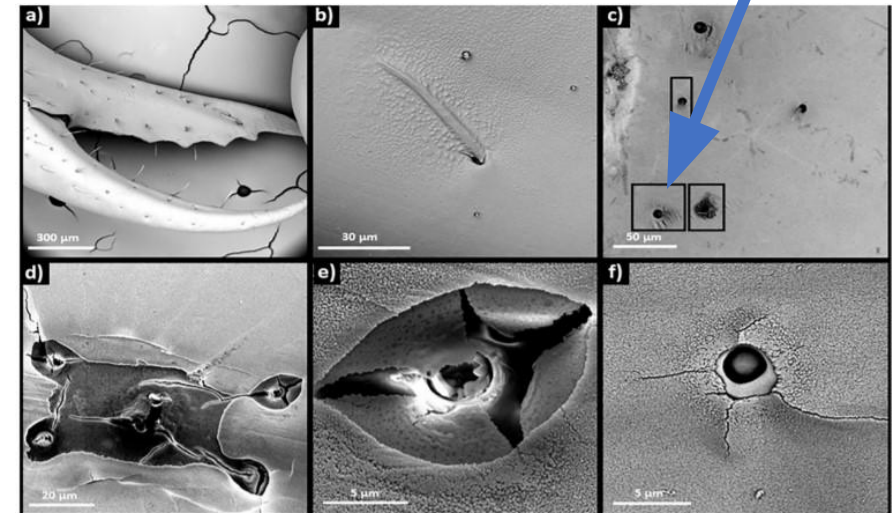
Pteropod and crab specimens

Shell/exoskeleton thickness and evidence of damage



Damaged carapace

Missing setae



Damaged neutritic canals



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Pteropods, krill, and crabs are important for the food web, the ecosystem, and the local economy





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