



The Occurrence of Phycotoxins in Coastal Areas of South America

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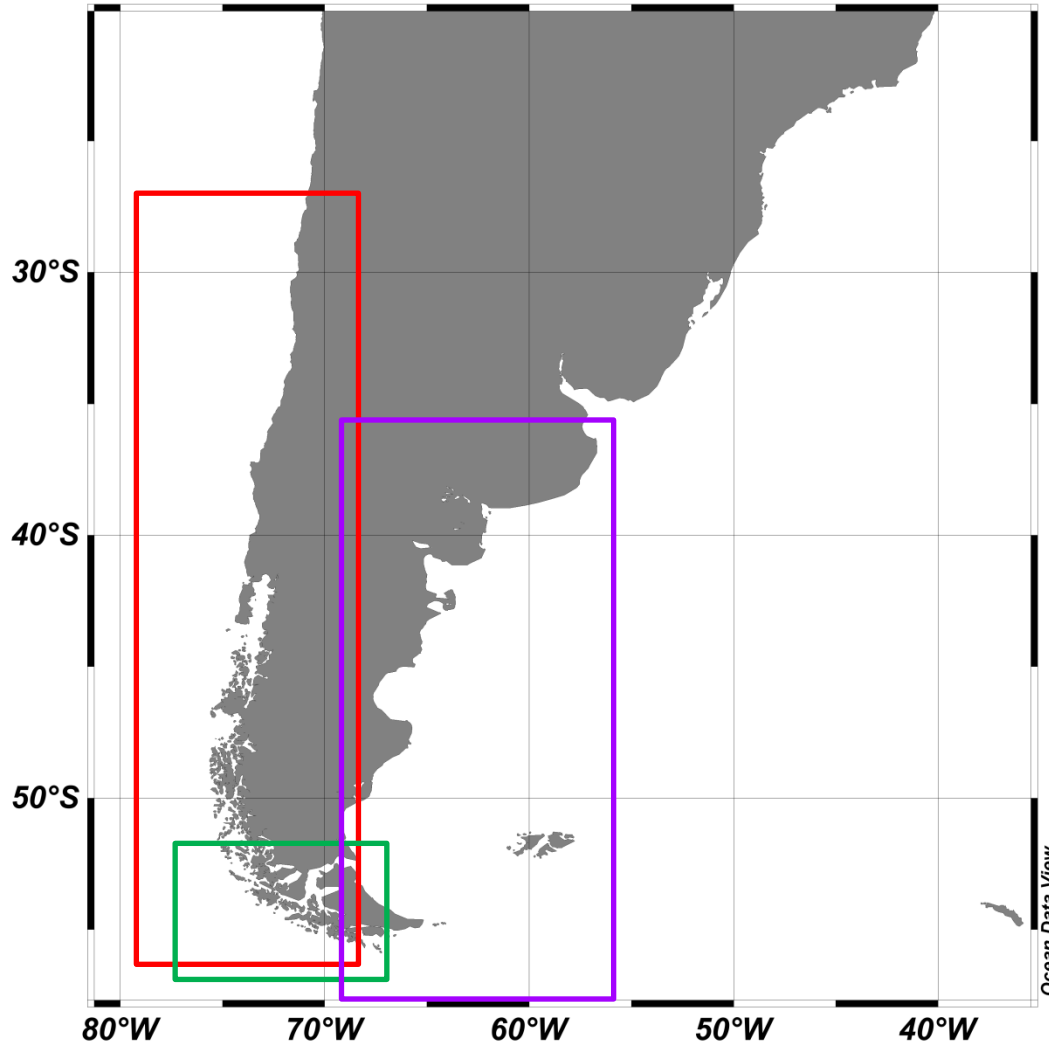
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1. Study areas



March 2009
Hespérides

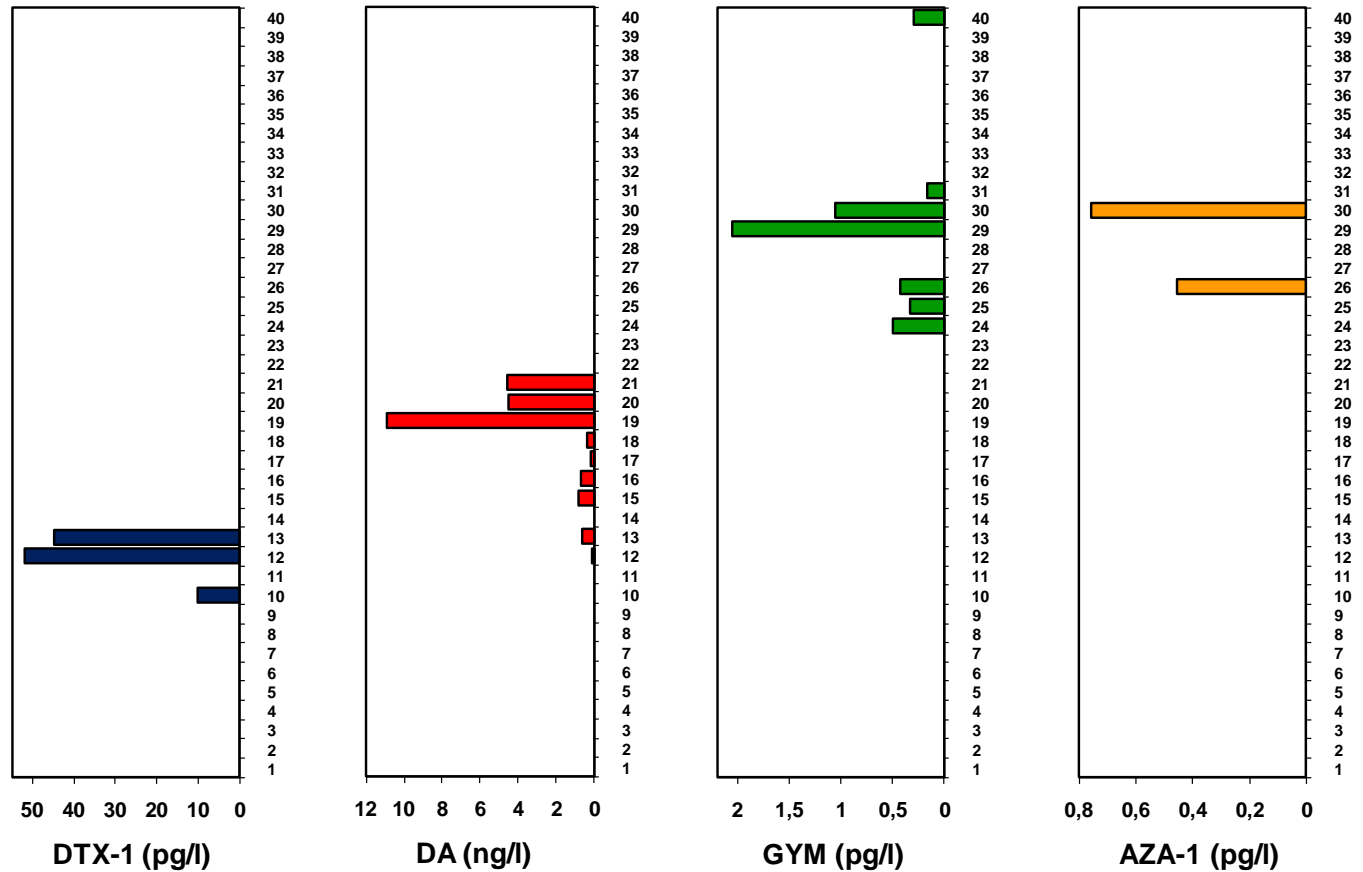
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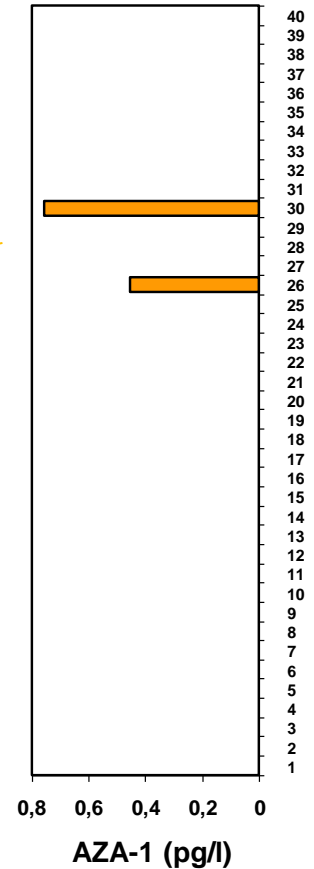
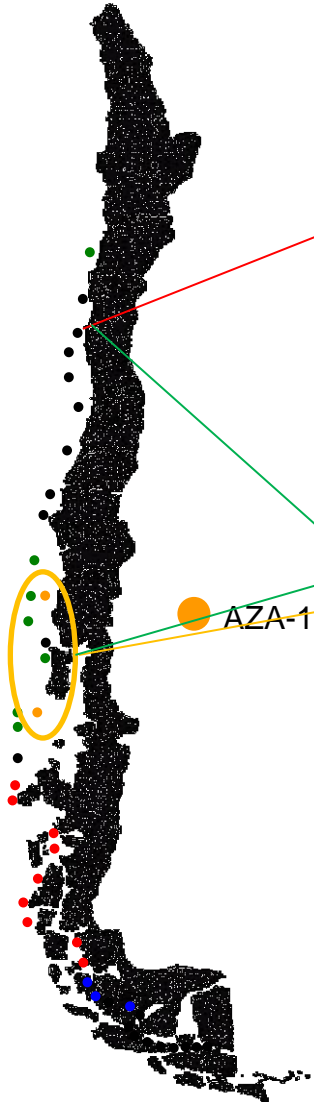
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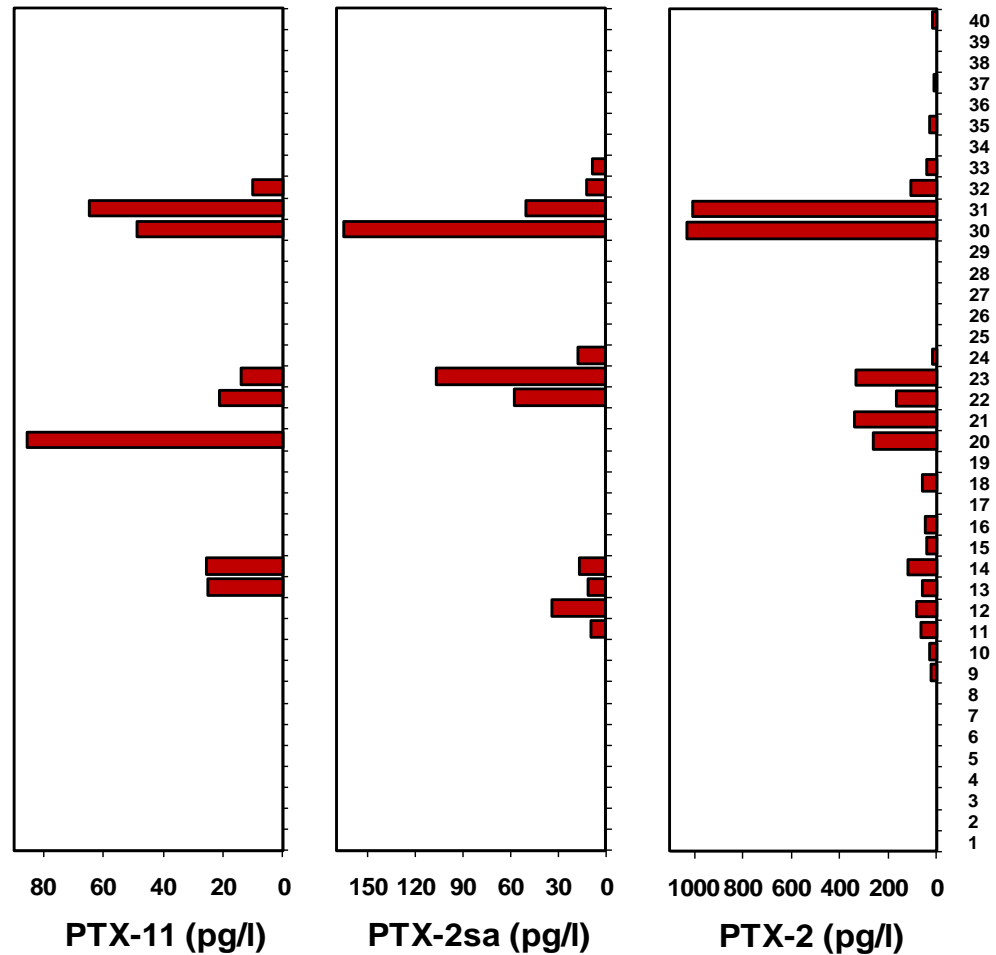
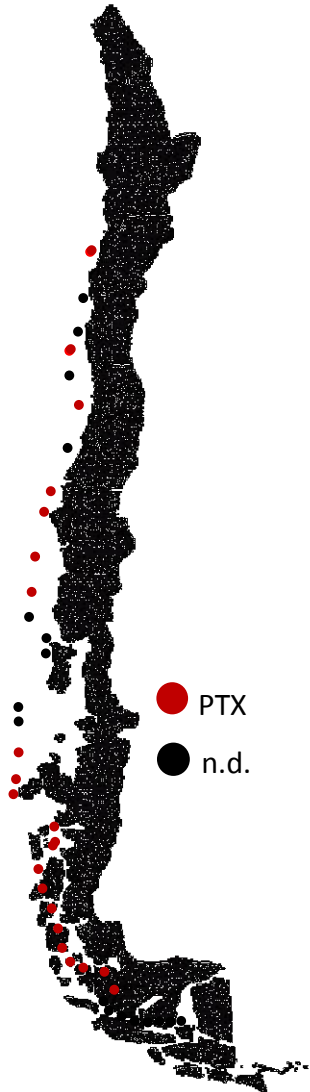
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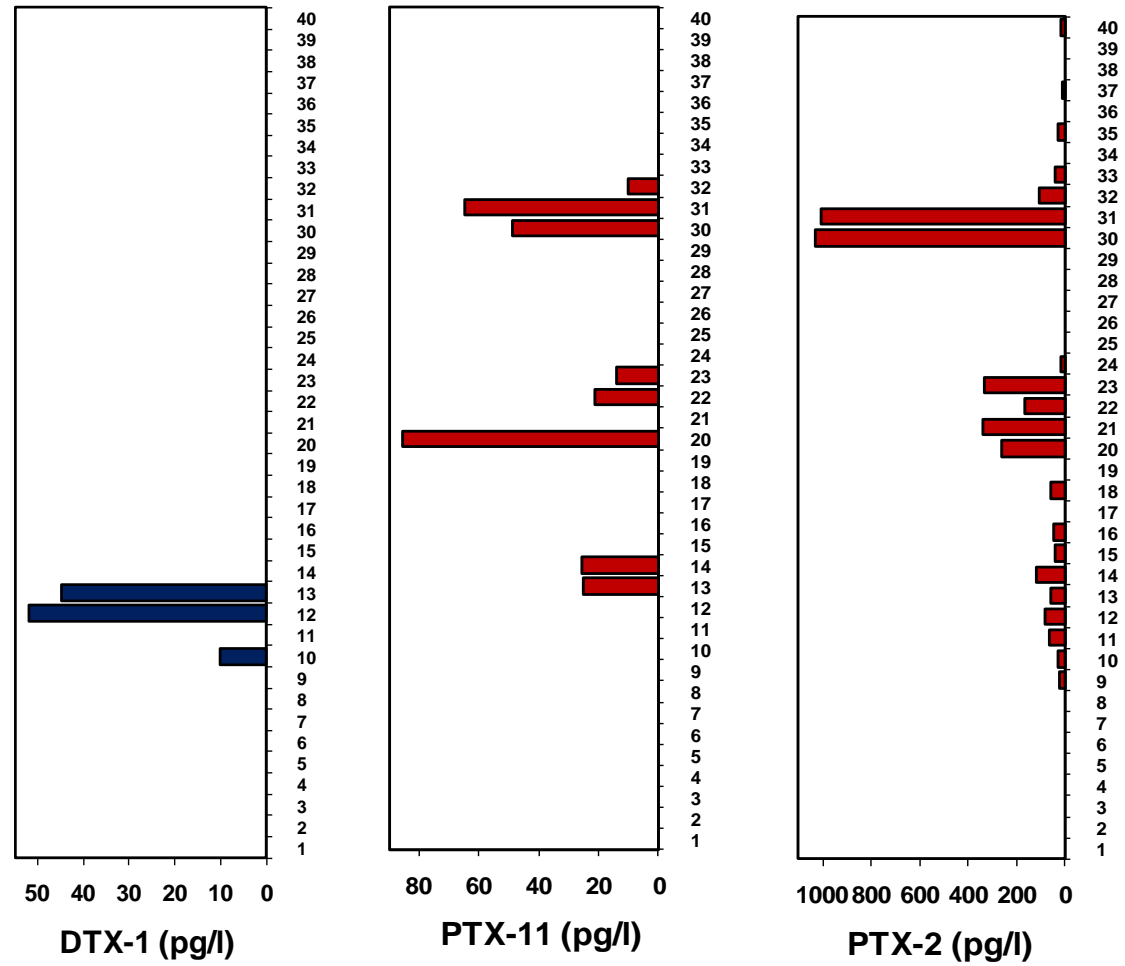
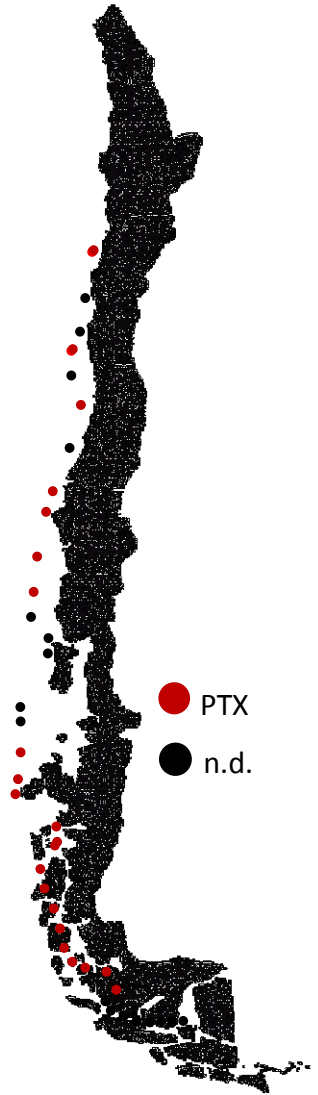
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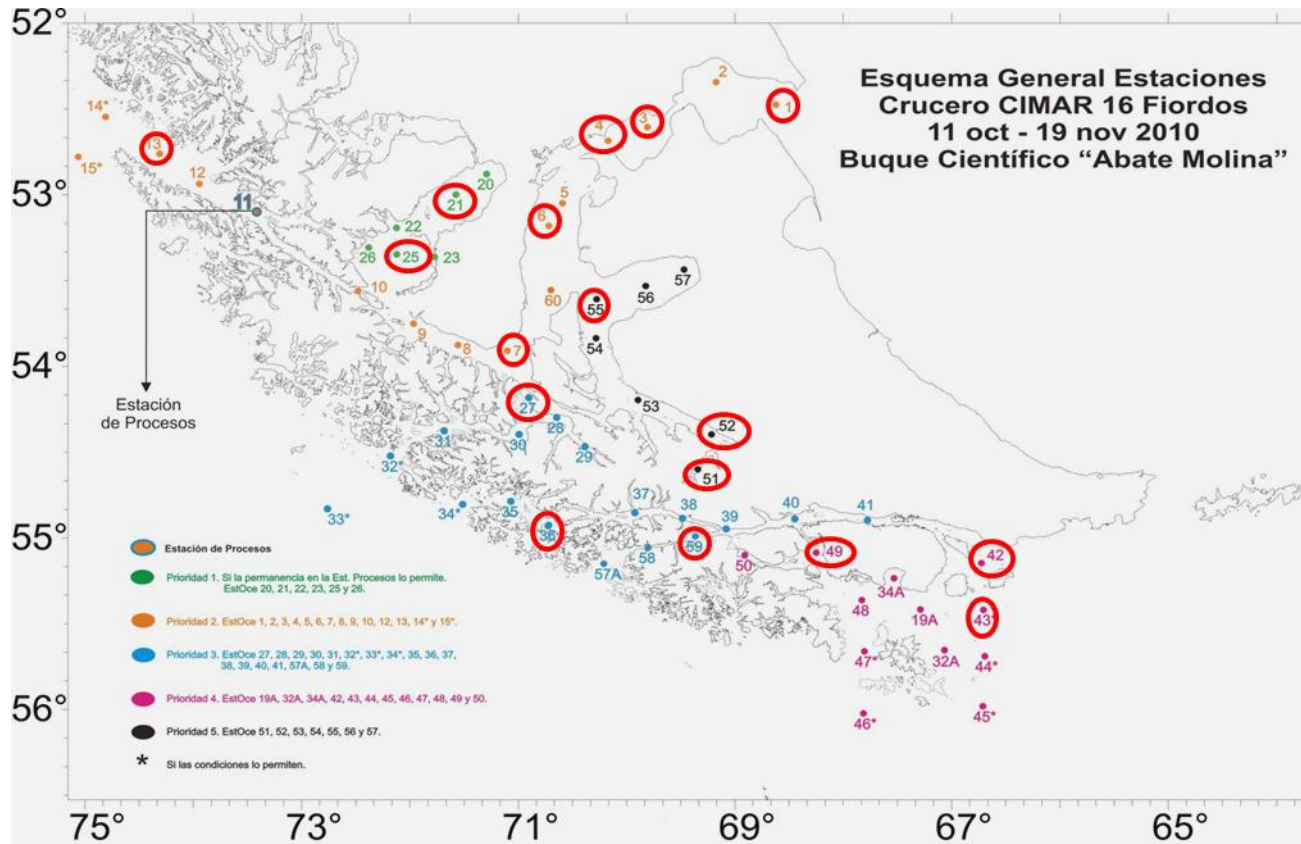
Different *Dinophysis* species in Chilean coastal waters



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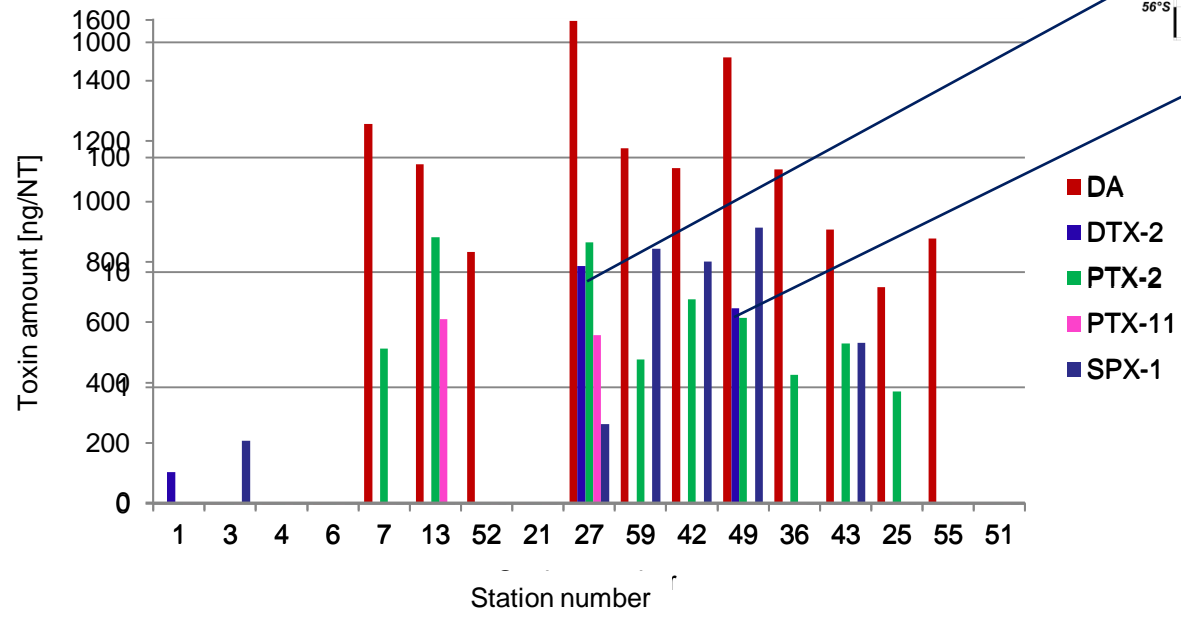
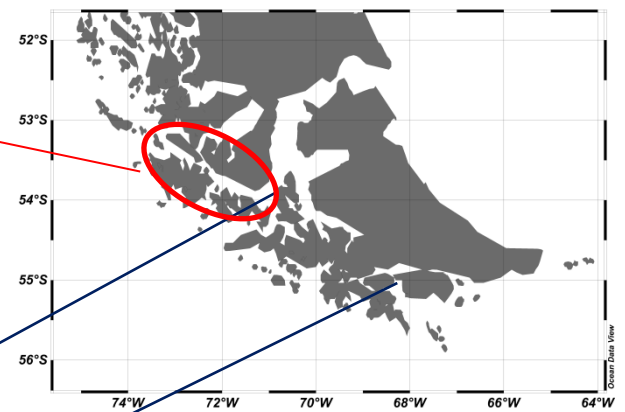
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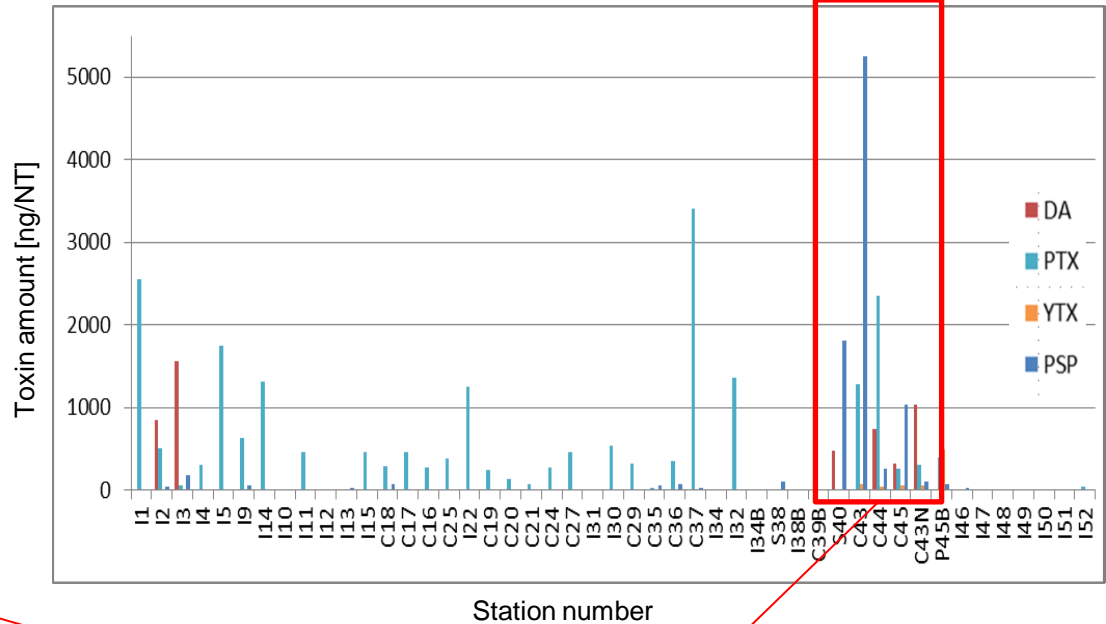
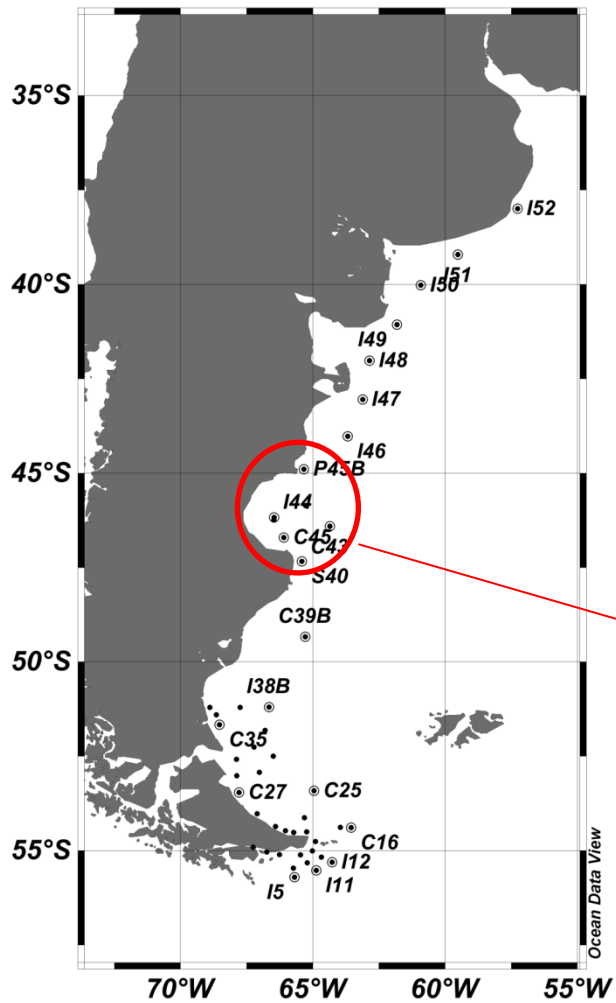
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DTX-1 found in Nov/Dec 2009





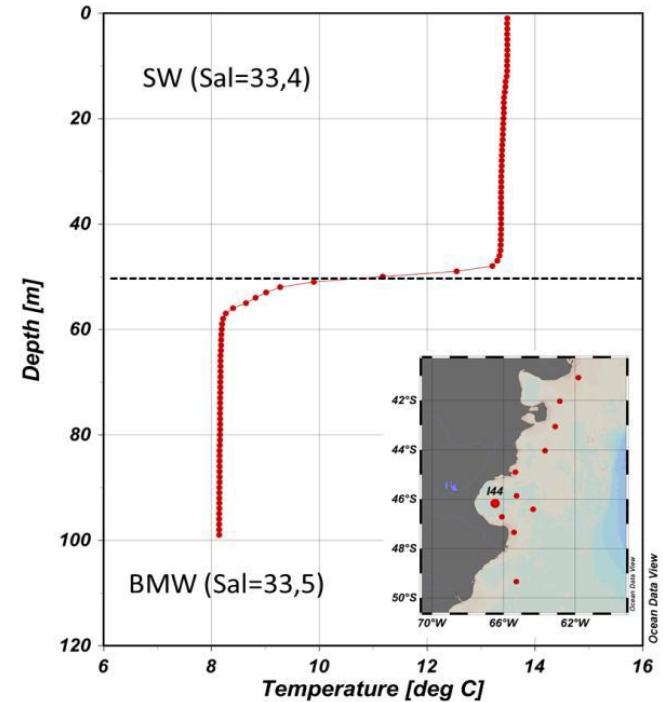
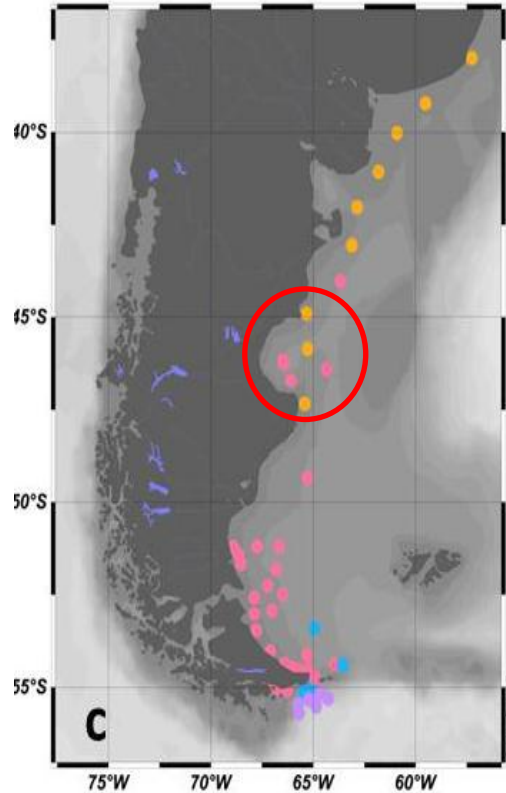
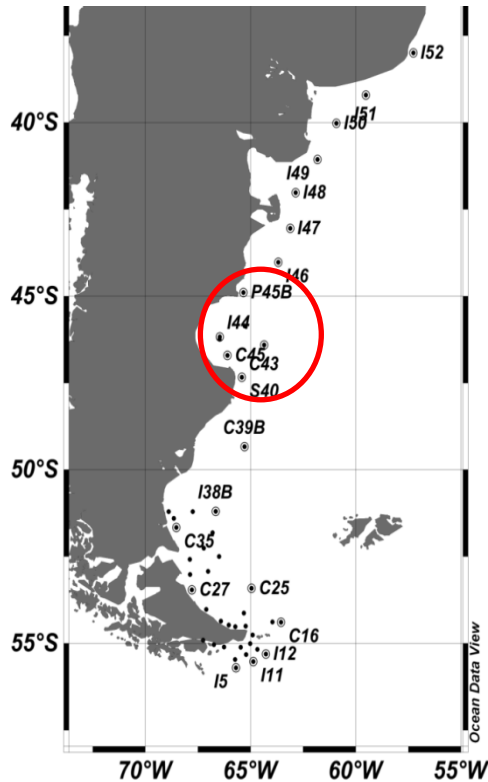
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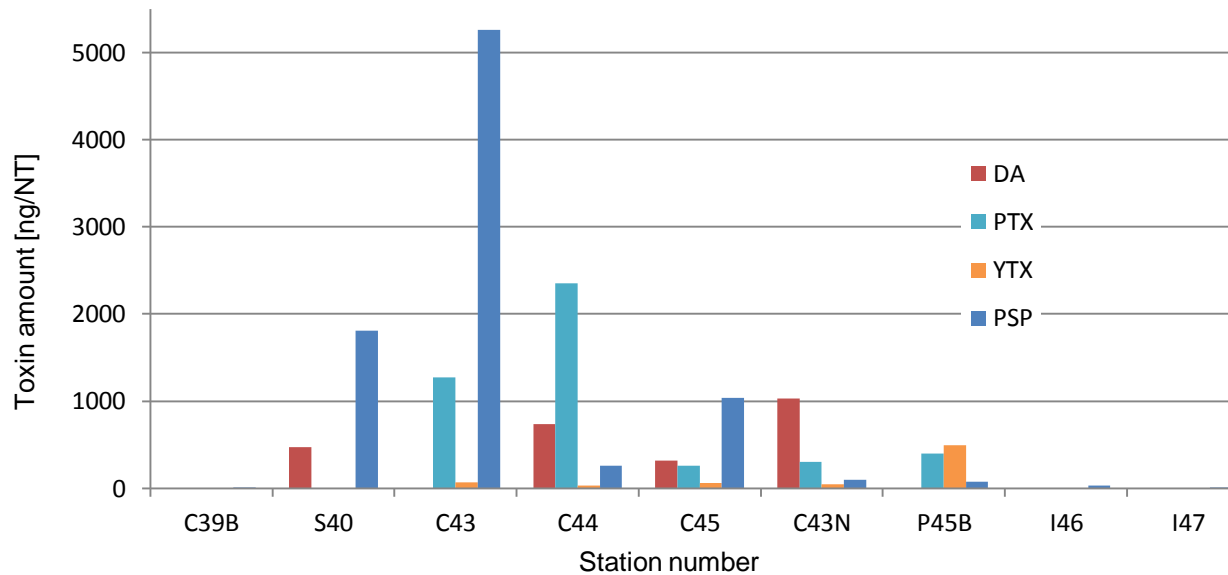
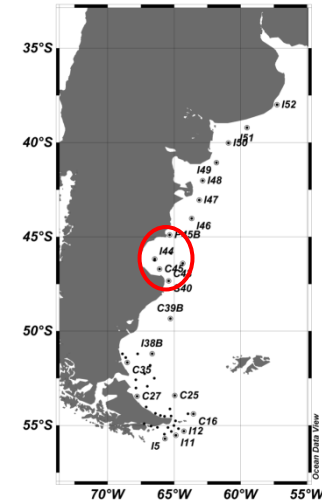
The overlay of nutrient-rich, cold Beagle-Magellan water with warm, nutrient-depleted shelf water results in a high primary production



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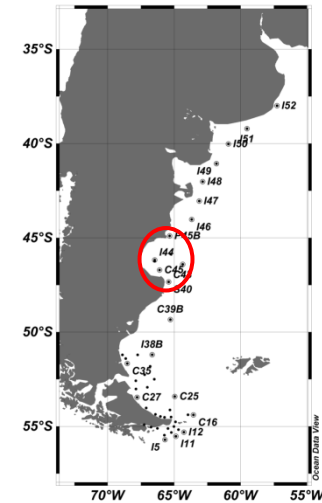
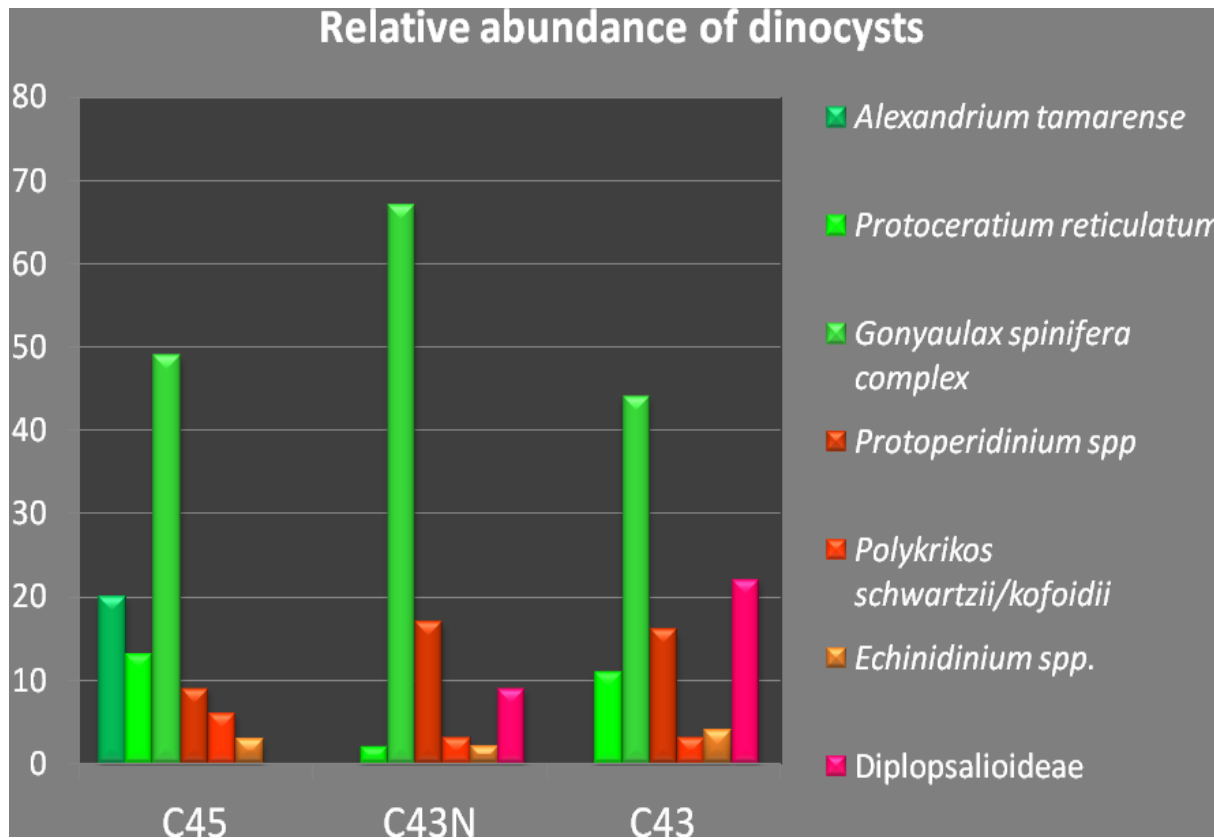


Enormous dinoflagellate bloom dominated by non-toxic *Ceratium* spp.



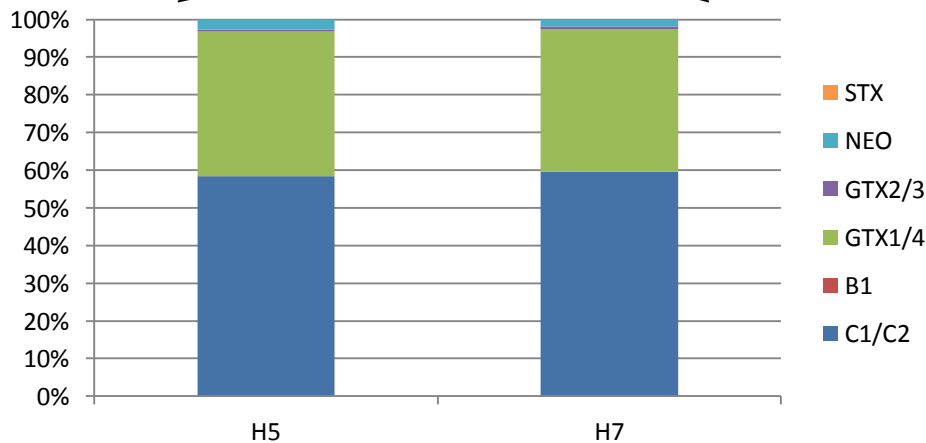
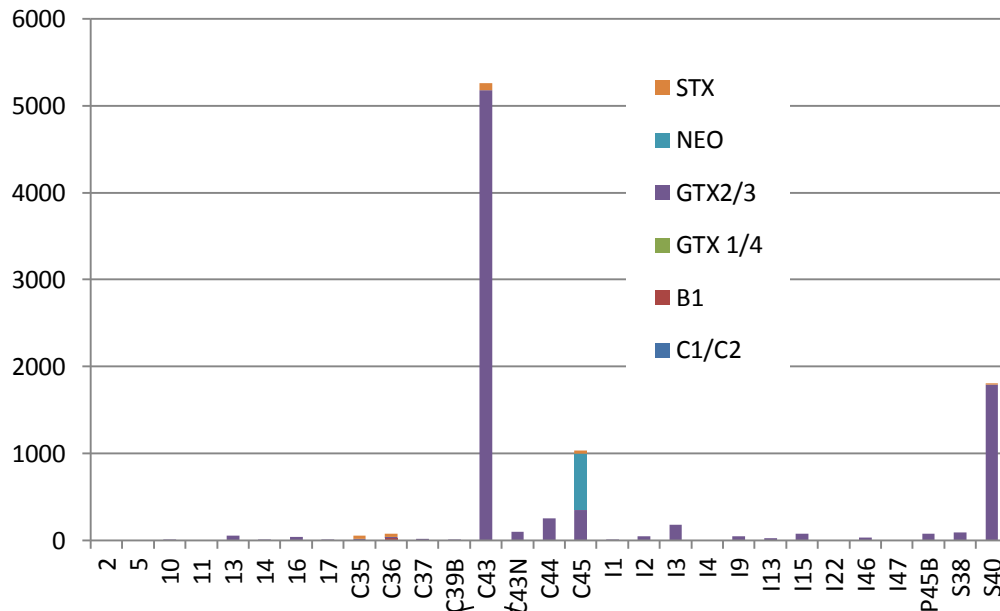


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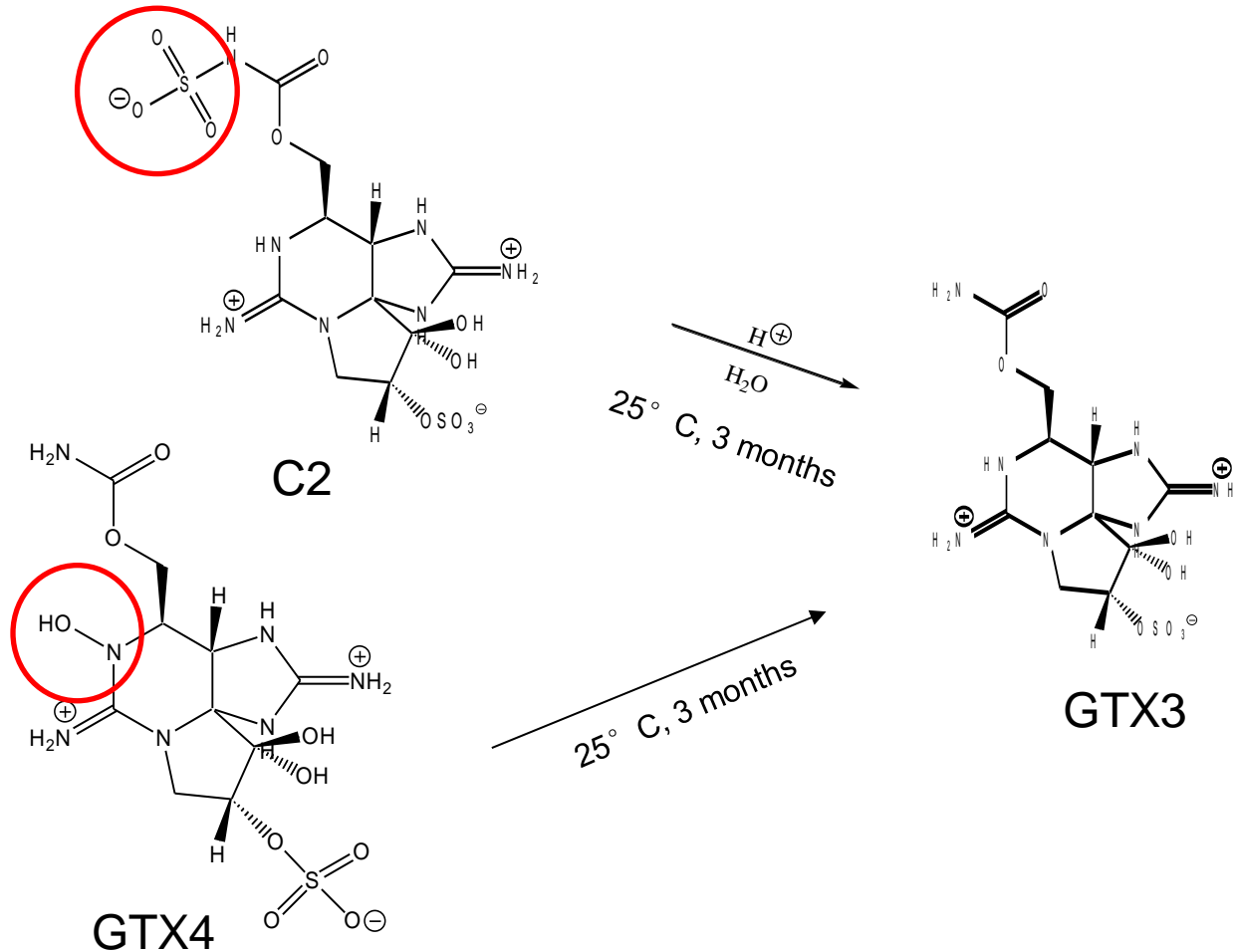
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PSP toxin profiles of two *Alexandrium tamarensis* isolates from Station C43



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5. Conclusions

AZAs are present in Chilean coastal waters, but have not been detected in Argentinean Shelf waters

PTXs occur throughout South American waters with a relatively regular distribution; PTX-11 could only be detected in Pacific but not in Atlantic waters

In the Chilean southern Patagonian Fjords DTX-1 and DTX-2 were detected, but no OA; in the years 2009/2010 DTX-1 and -2 were separated geographically and temporally

The San Jorge Gulf is characterized by cold, nutrient rich Beagle-Magellan water overlaid by warmer nutrient depleted shelf water; this situation causes high density dinoflagellate blooms including toxic species.

C1/C2 and GTX1/4 are converted to GTX2/3 abiotically within 3 months under elevated ambient temperatures



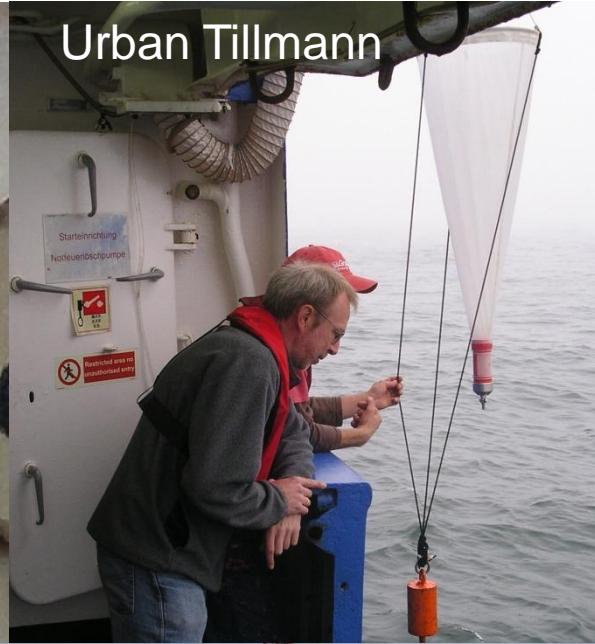
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