



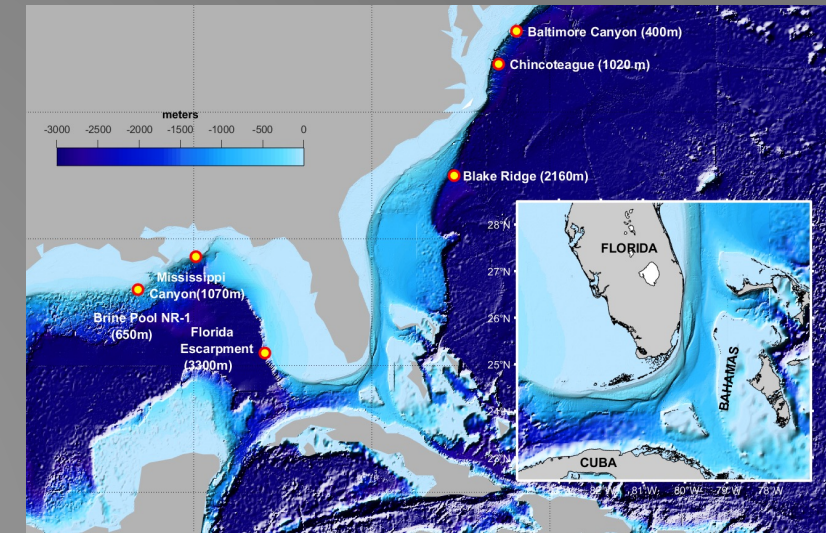
RV Thompson TN-391 (Jason & Sentry)

May 25-June 18, 2021

Shawn Arellano, Ch. Sci. Leg 1

Craig Young, Ch. Sci. Leg 2

Woods Hole to Gulfport



Collaborative Research: Dispersal Depth and the Transport of Deep-Sea Methane-Seep Larvae Around a Biogeographic Barrier

NSF OCE-1851383 (University of Oregon): Craig Young, PI

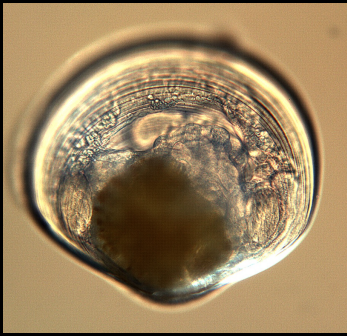
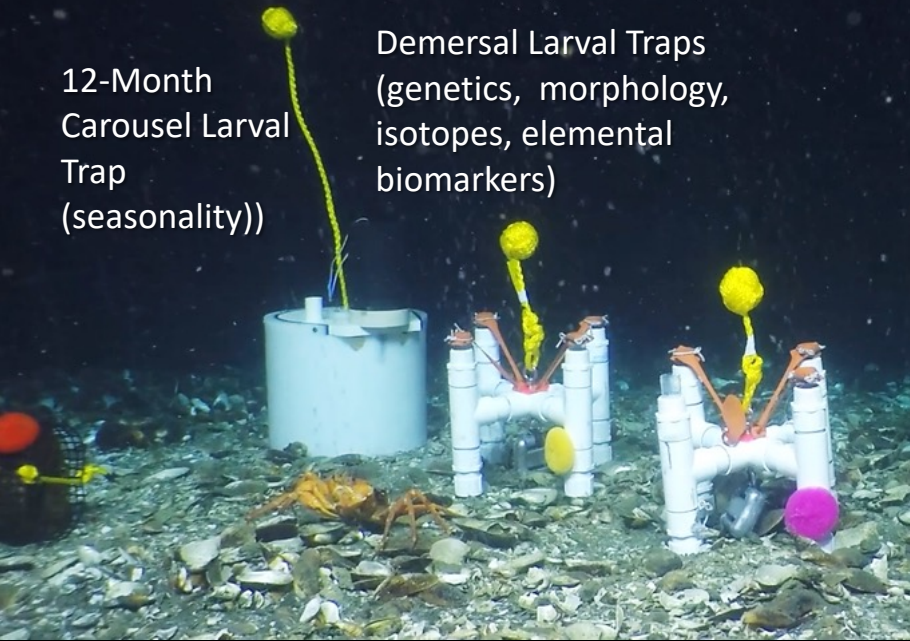
NSF OCE-1851286 (Western Washington University): Shawn Arellano, P.I.

NSF OCE-185421 (North Carolina State University): Dave Eggleston, Ruoying He, P.I.'s

Baltimore Canyon Observatory (400m)

12-Month
Carousel Larval
Trap
(seasonality))

Demersal Larval Traps
(genetics, morphology,
isotopes, elemental
biomarkers)



Using large undersea
vehicles to find
invisible needles in the
world's largest haystacks

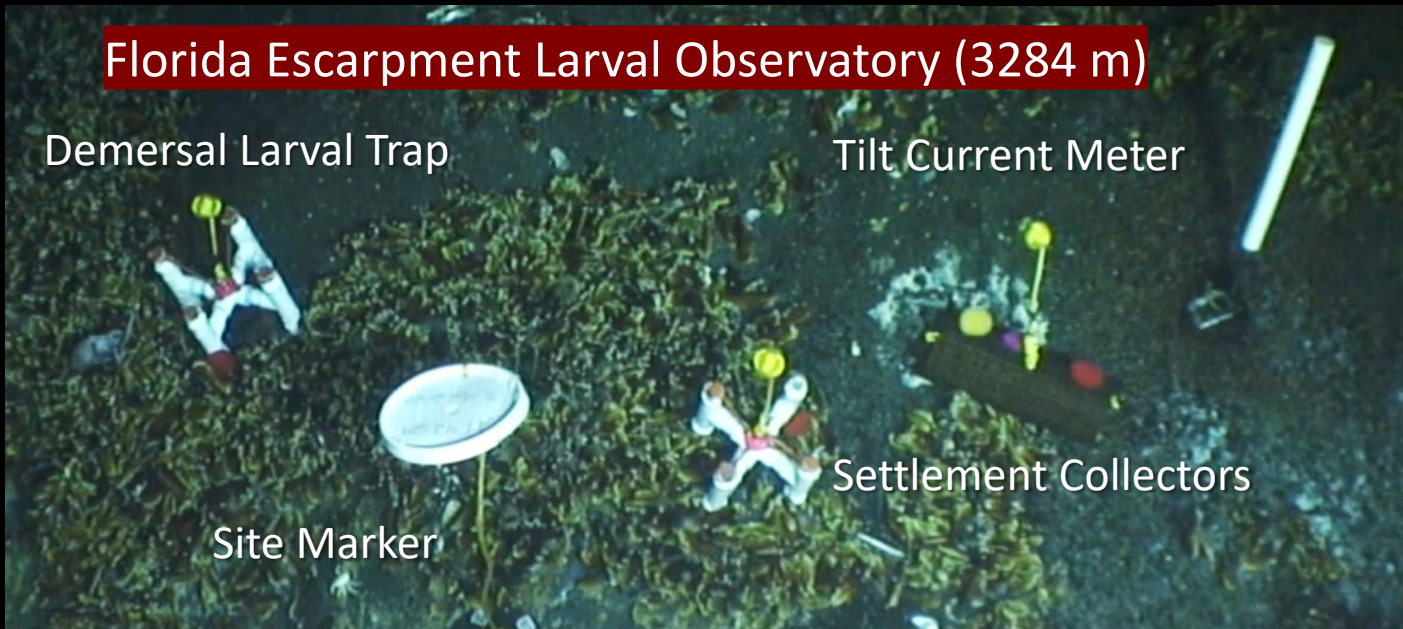
Florida Escarpment Larval Observatory (3284 m)

Demersal Larval Trap

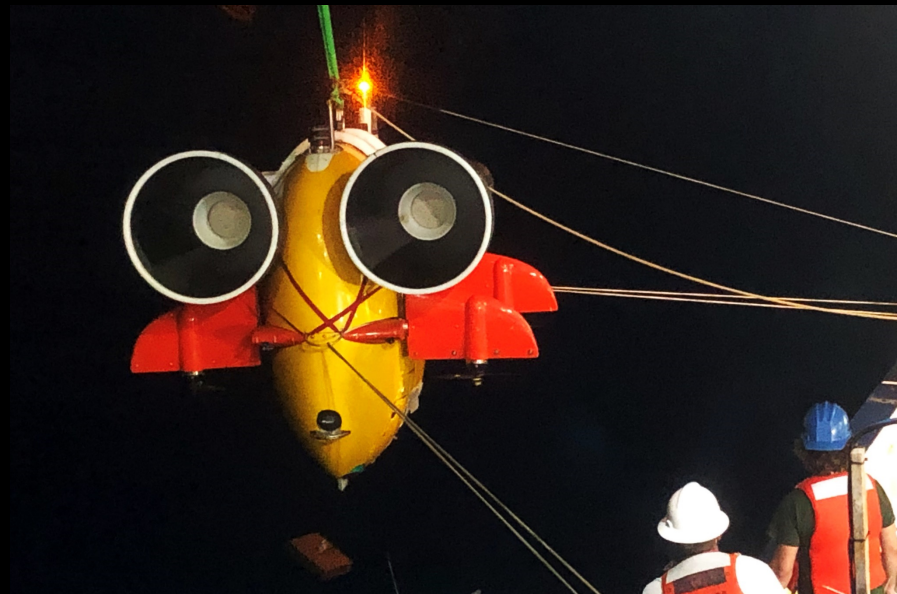
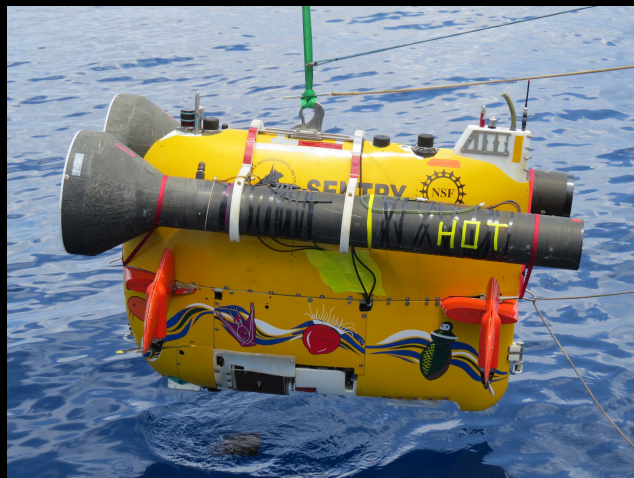
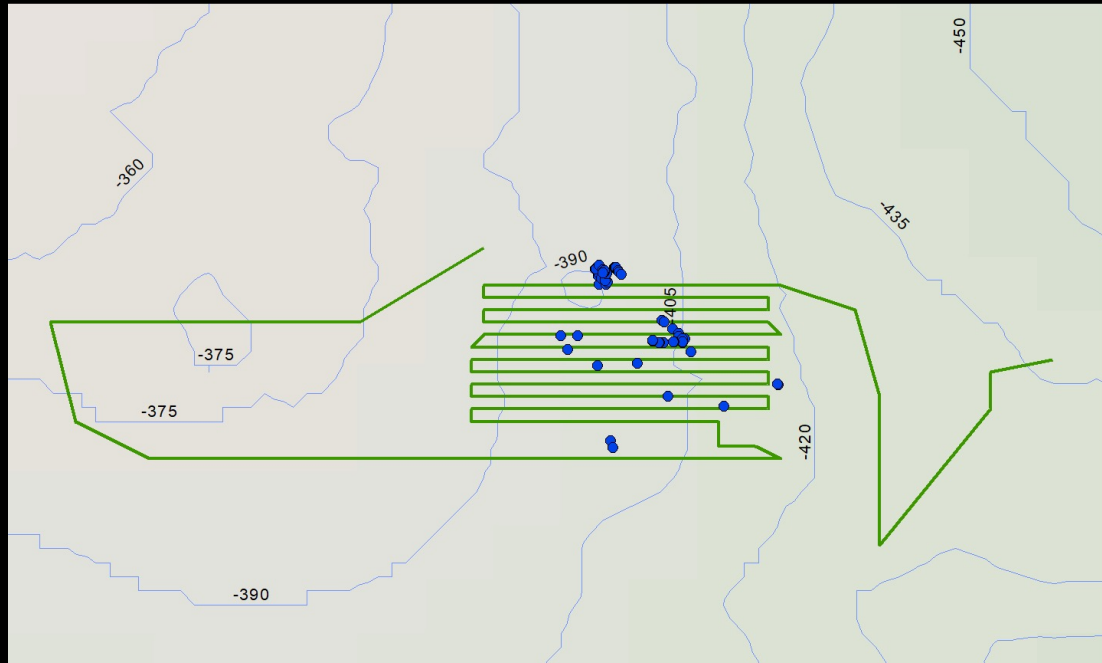
Tilt Current Meter

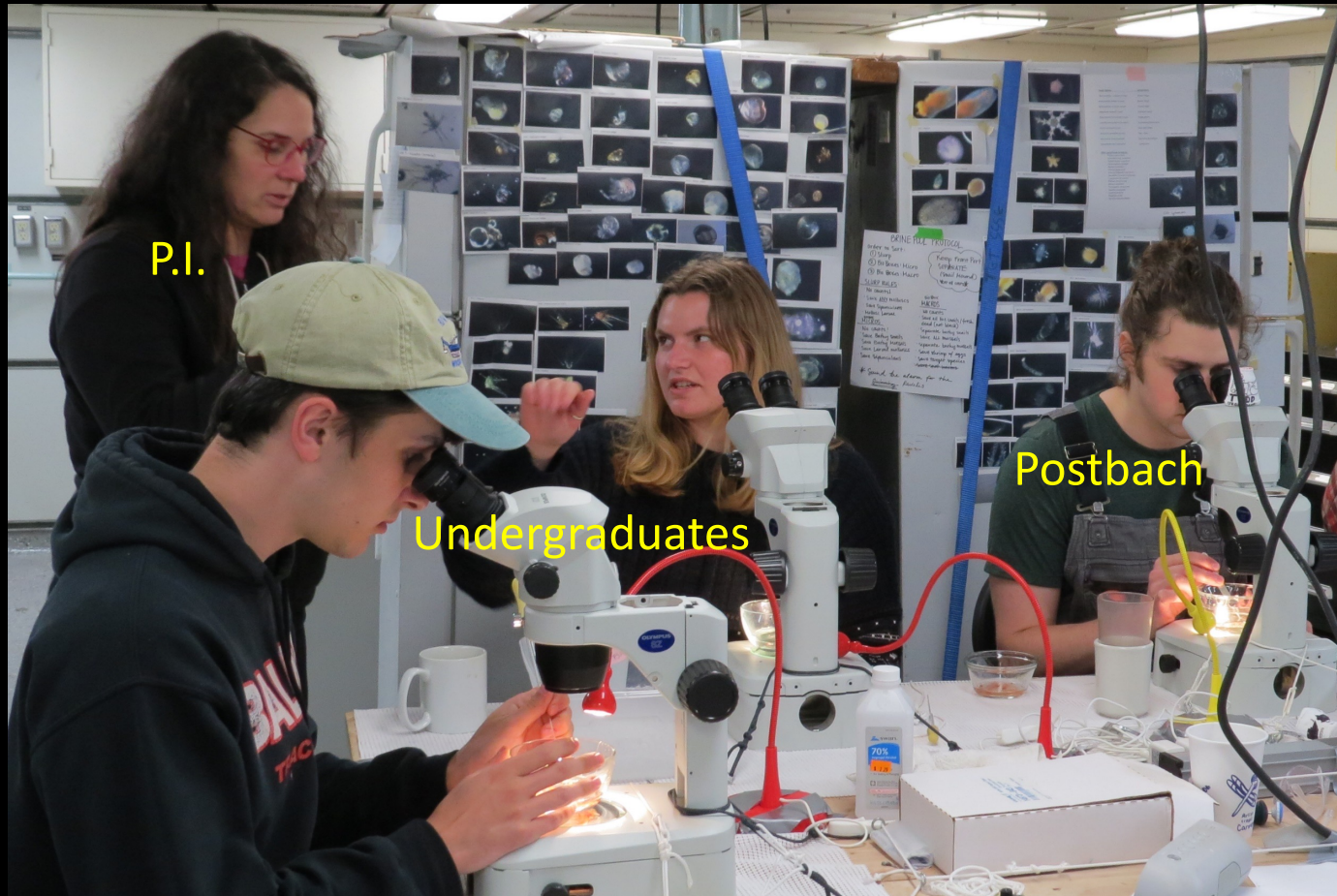
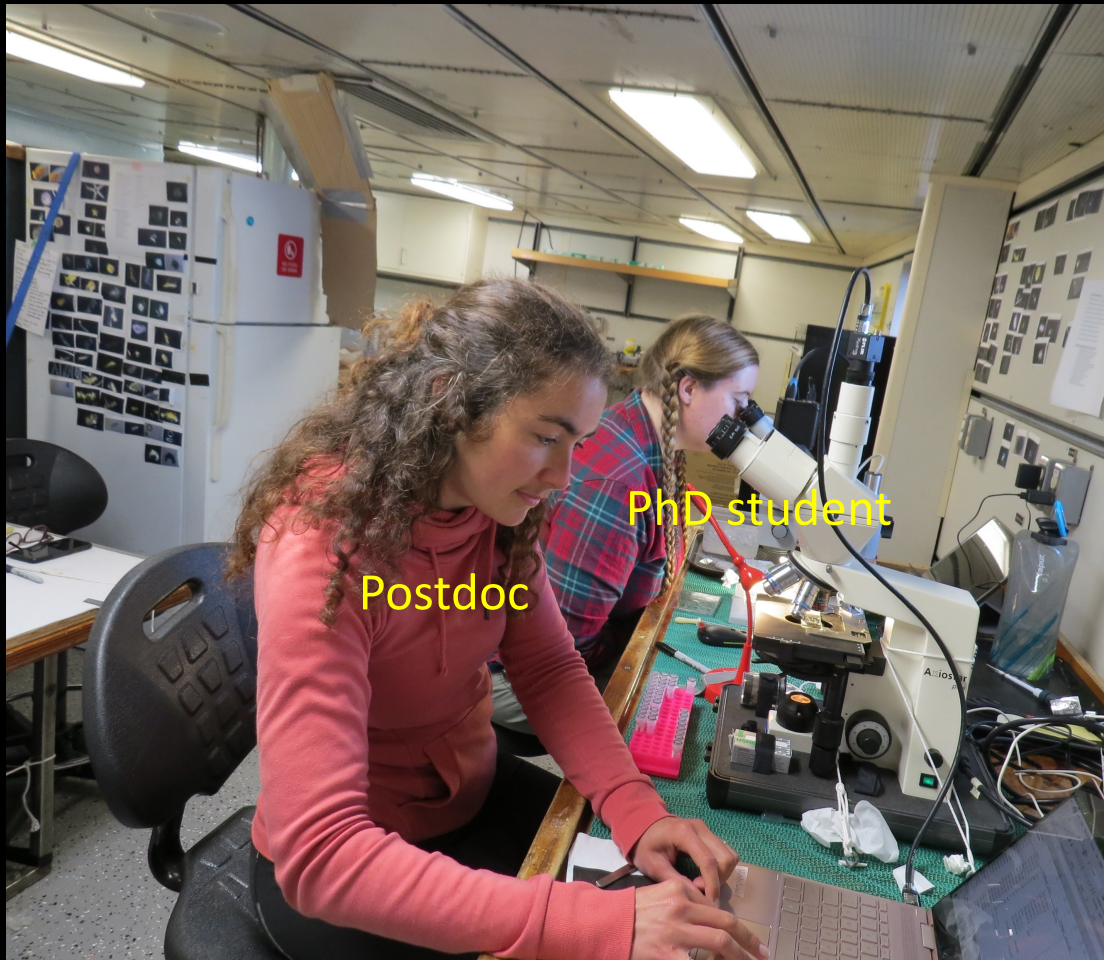
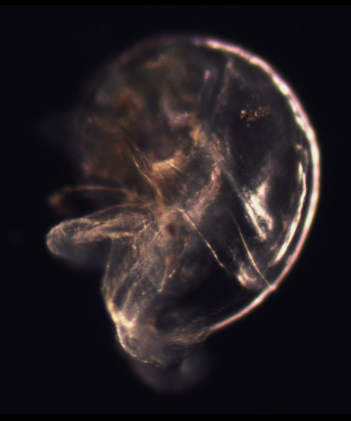
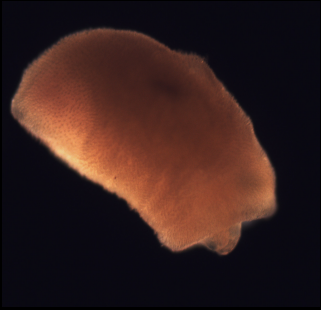
Settlement Collectors

Site Marker



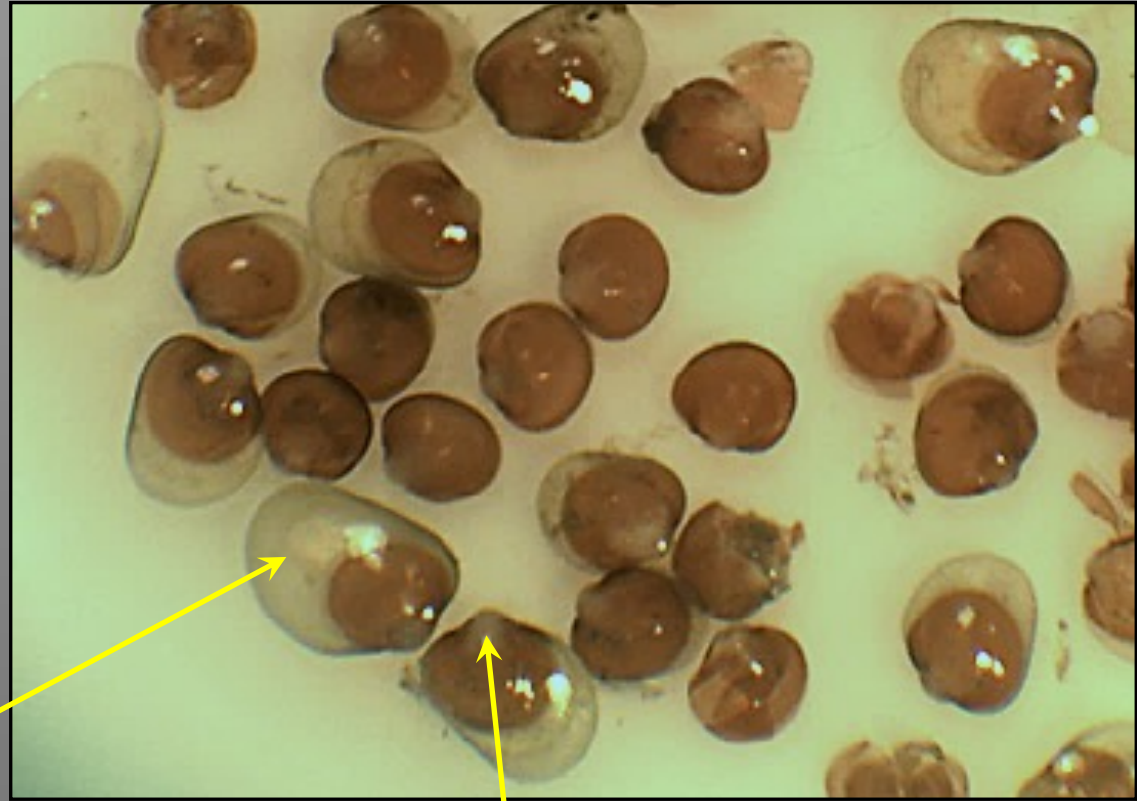
Sentry Precision Robotic Impeller Driven Sampler





Oxygen Isotopes as a proxy for developmental temperature

$$\delta^{18}\text{O} = \left(\frac{\left(\frac{^{18}\text{O}}{^{16}\text{O}} \right)_{\text{sample}}}{\left(\frac{^{18}\text{O}}{^{16}\text{O}} \right)_{\text{standard}}} - 1 \right) \times 1000$$



Dissoconch

(juvenile shell) deposited on the sea floor at adult temperature

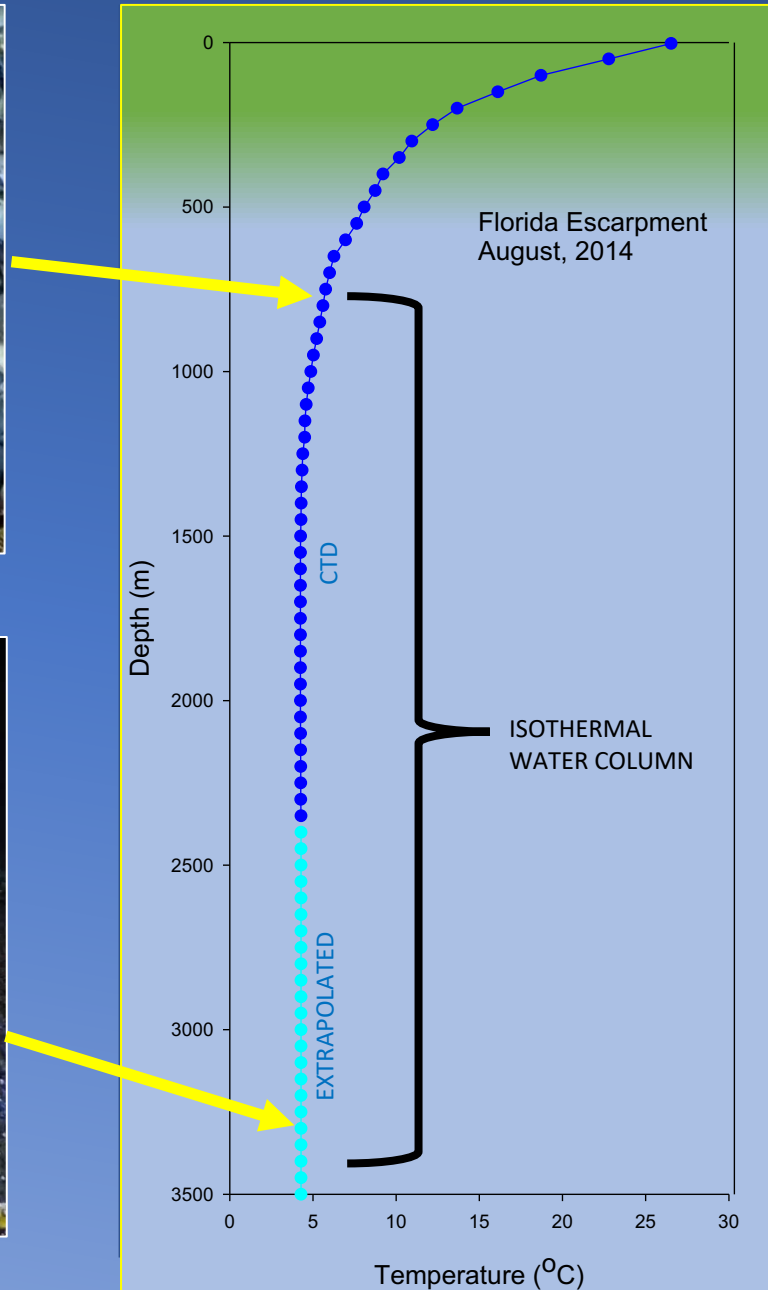
Prodissoconch (larval shell) deposited in the water column at the temperatures the larva encountered)



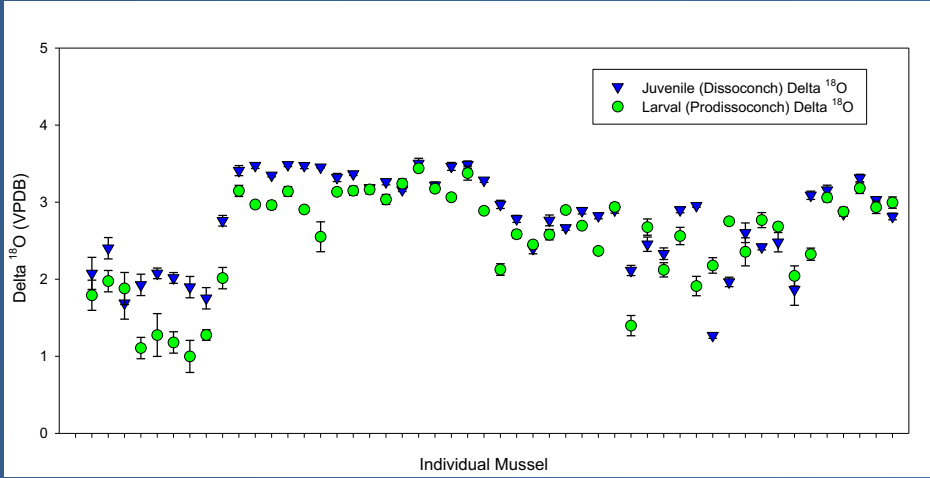
Gigantidas childressi, Brine Pool NR1, 750m



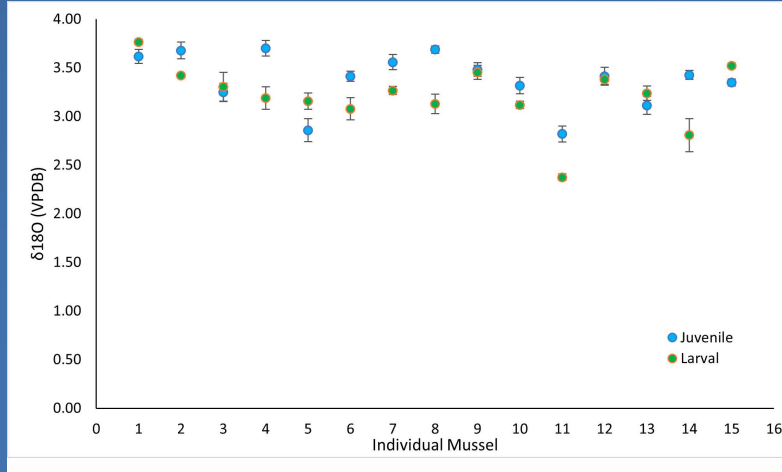
Bathymodiolus heckeriae, Florida Escarpment, 3312m



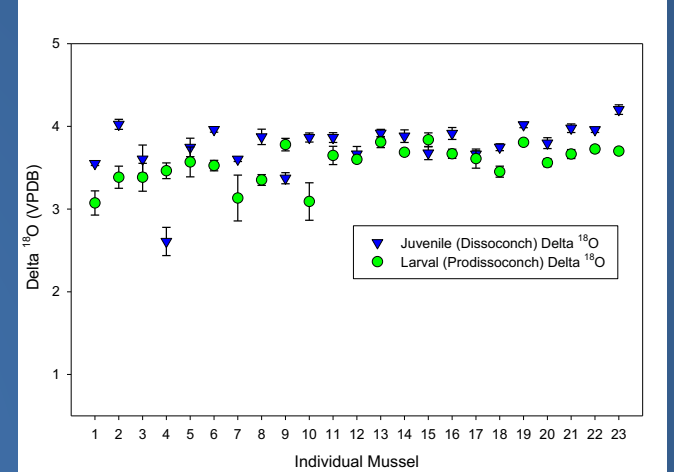
Brine pool (*G. childressi*)



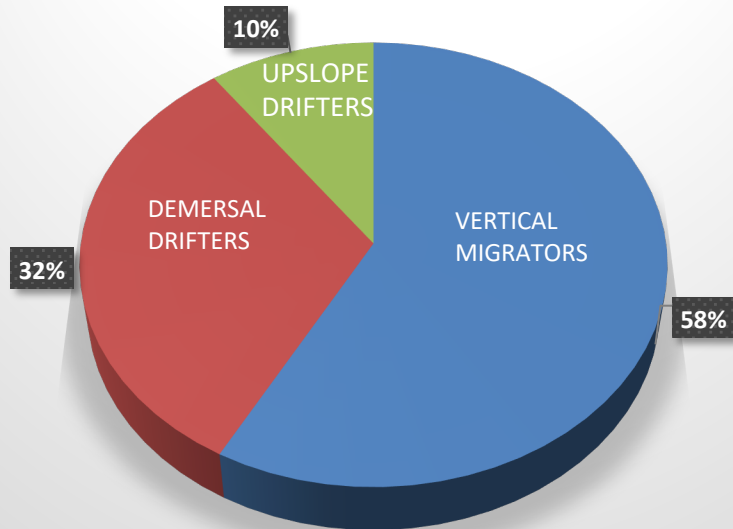
MS Canyon (*G. childressi*, *B. brooksi*)



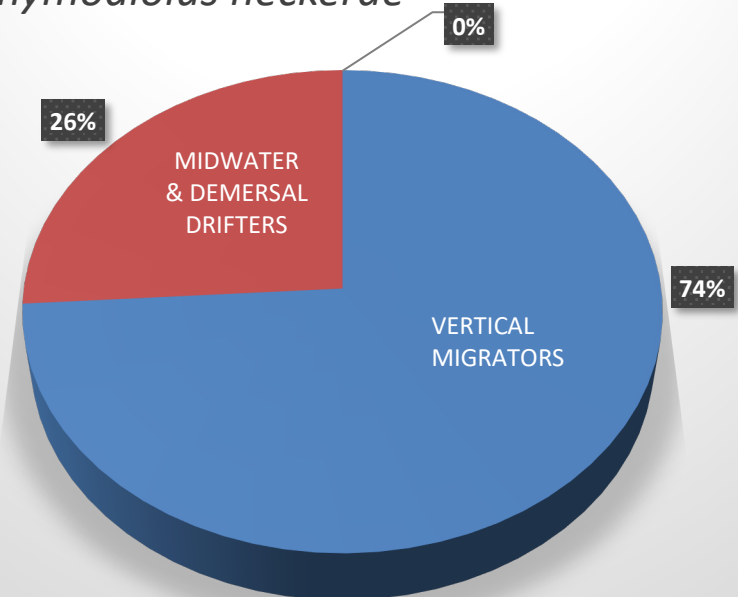
FL Escarpment (*B. heckeri*)



Gigantidas childressi



Bathymodiolus heckerae

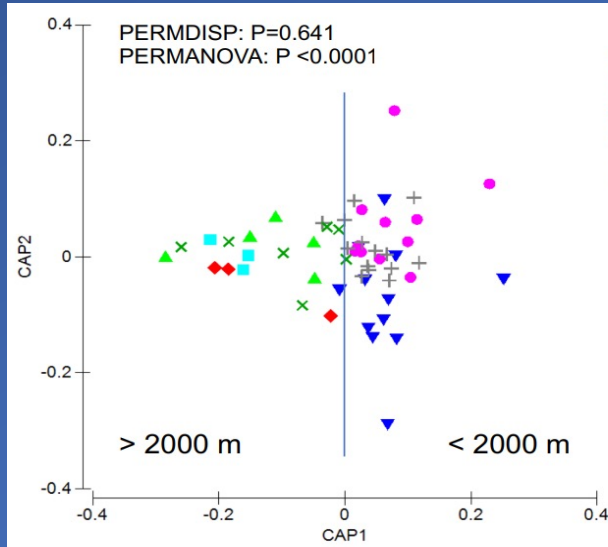


Geochemical analysis of larval and juvenile mussel shells in the Gulf of Mexico

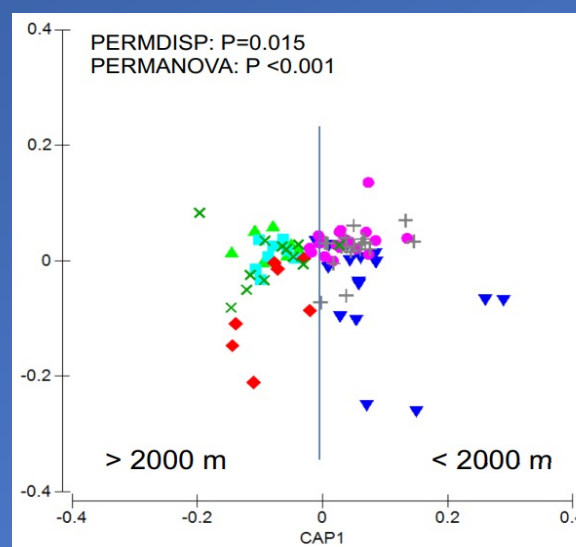
Ian Grace, Ph.D. Student
North Carolina State University



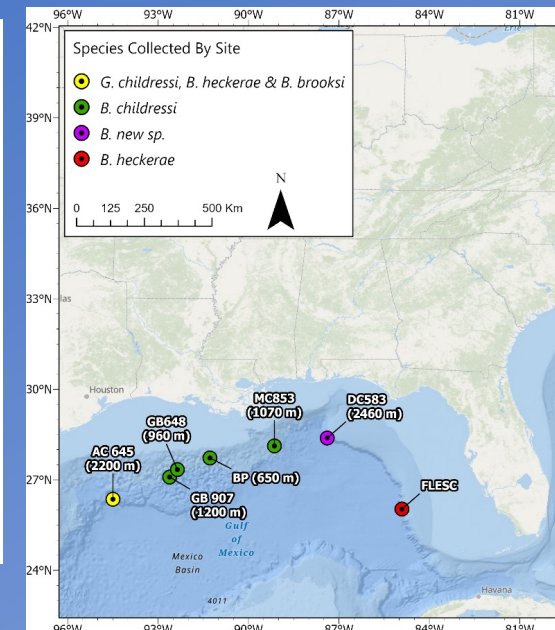
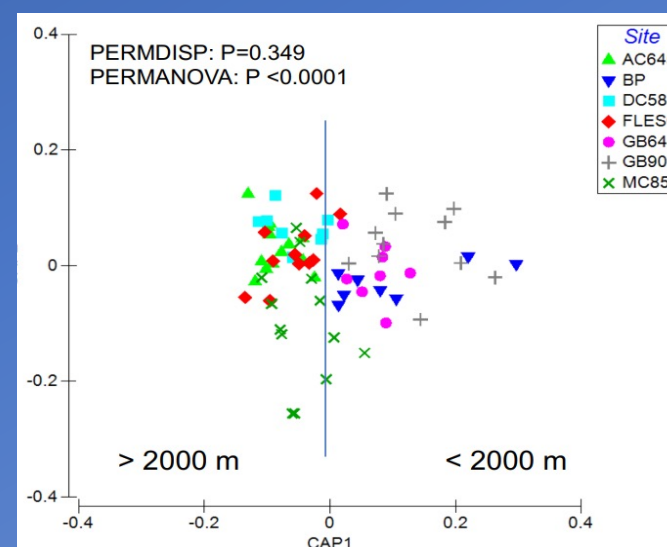
Prodissoconch I



Prodissoconch II



Dissoconch

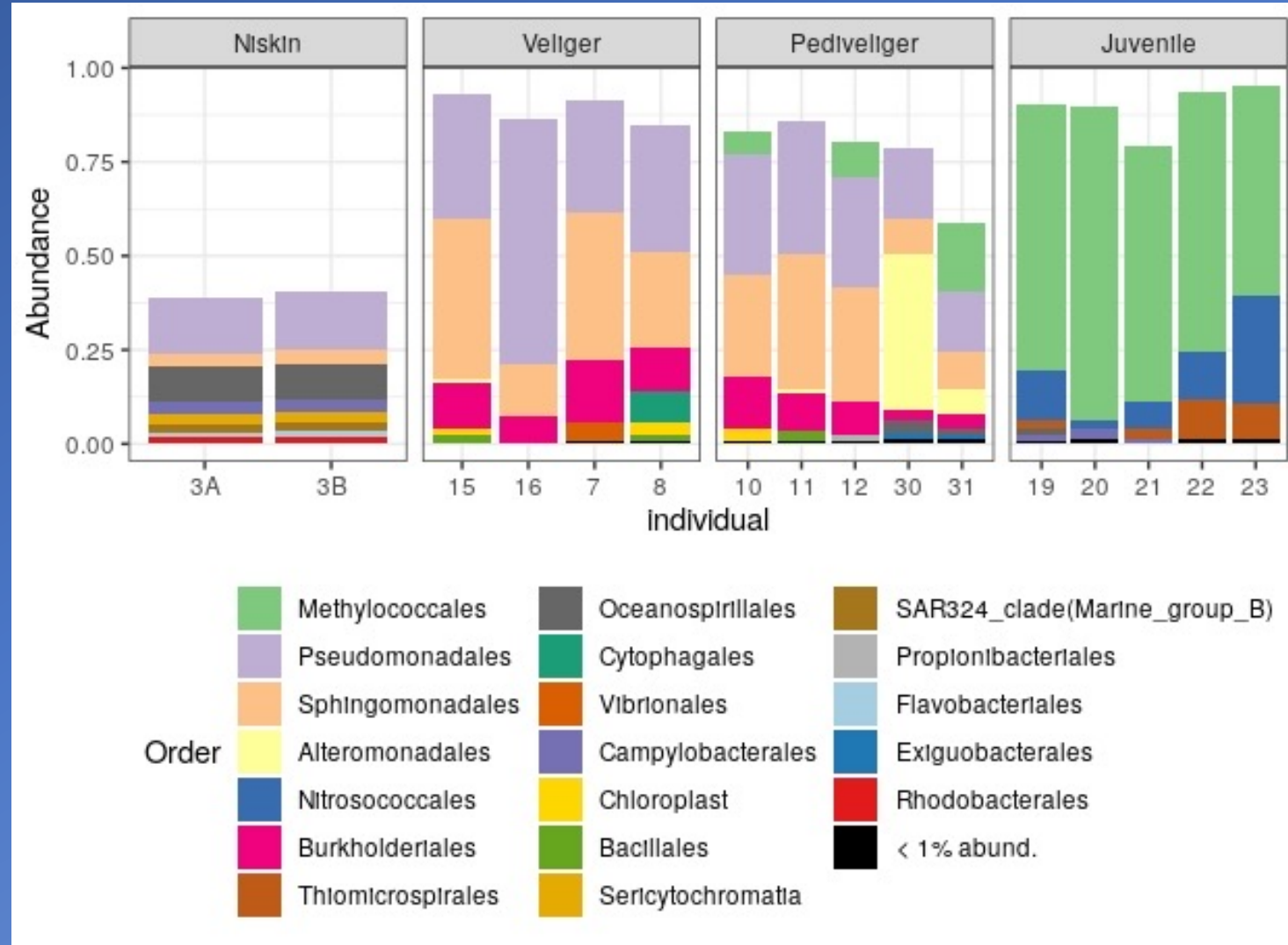
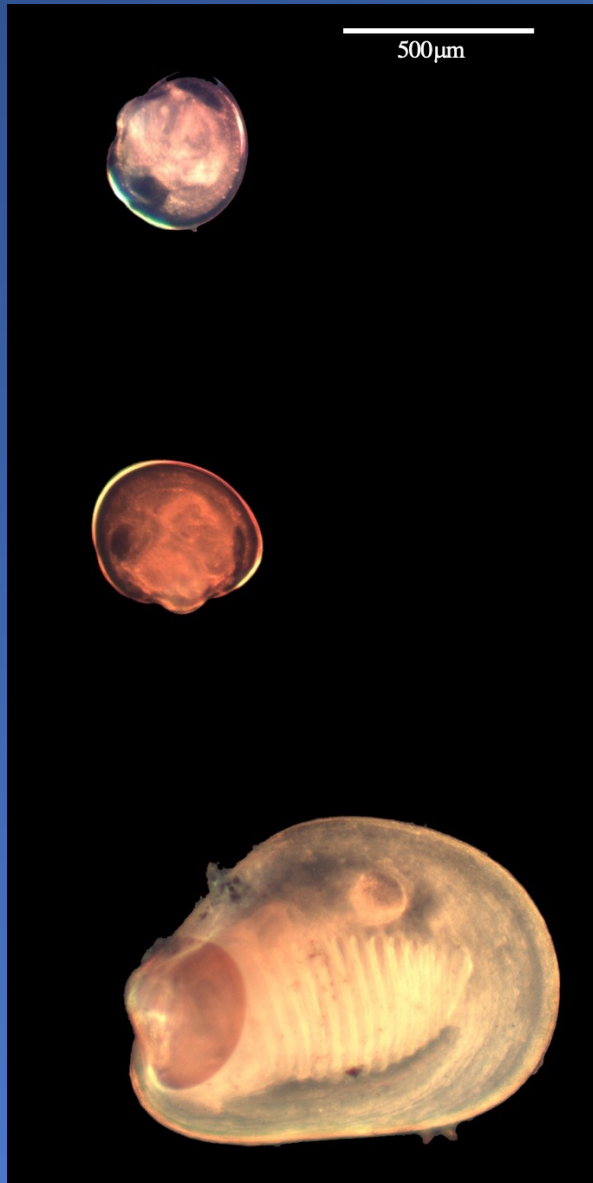


CAP analyses based on elemental ratios (X:Ca) of prodissoconch I, II, and dissoconch shells with axis drawn to maximize discrimination among sites in the GOM

- Significant between-site variability of prodissoconch I ($p < 0.0001$), prodissoconch II ($p < 0.001$) and dissoconch ($p < 0.0001$) shells with depth
- The proportions of populations that (1) vertically migrate, (2) demersally drift, and are (3) natally retained vary with depth

Age-specific microbiomes of mussel larvae and juveniles

Tessa Beaver, M.S. Student
Western Washington University



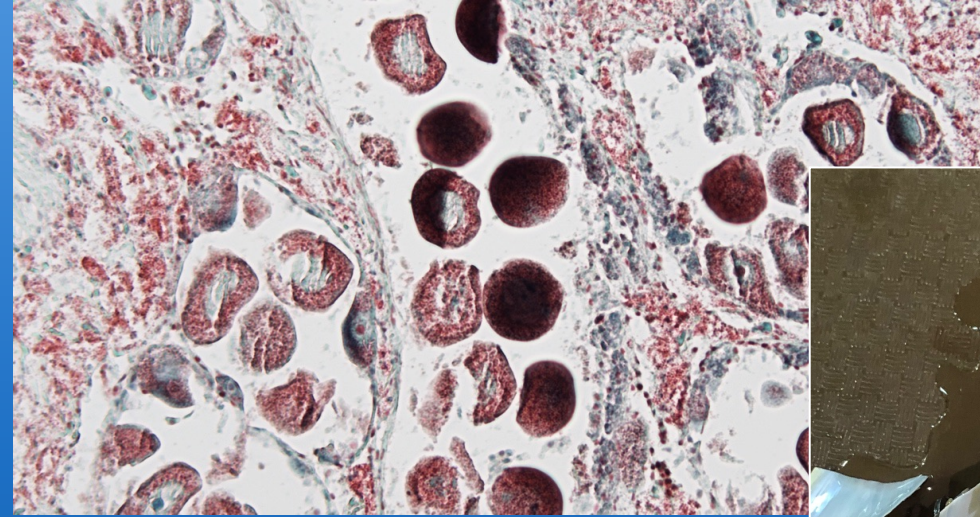
Geographic and bathymetric patterns of reproductive timing and egg production of bathymodiolin mussels

Caitlin Plowman, Ph.D. Student
University of Oregon



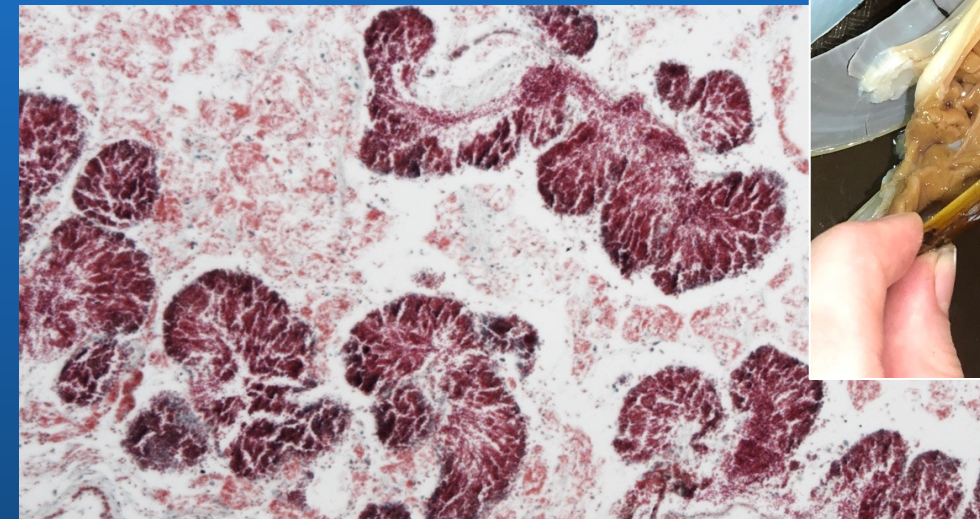
Bathymodiolus heckerae

2200-3300 m



Bathymodiolus brooksi

1080-3300 m

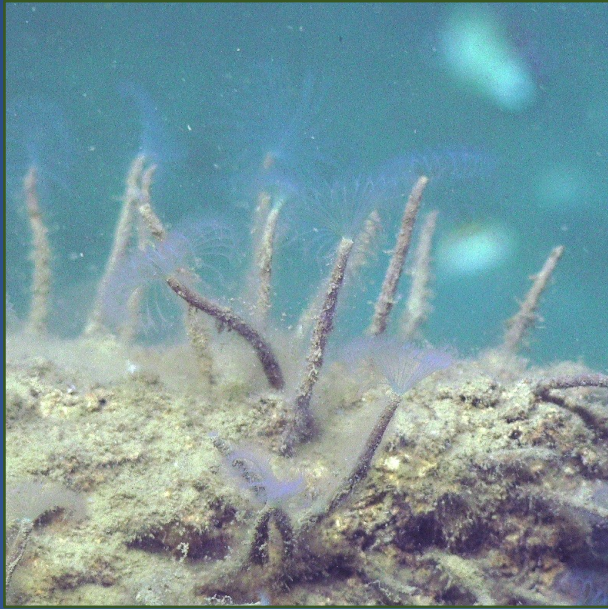


Gigantidas childressi

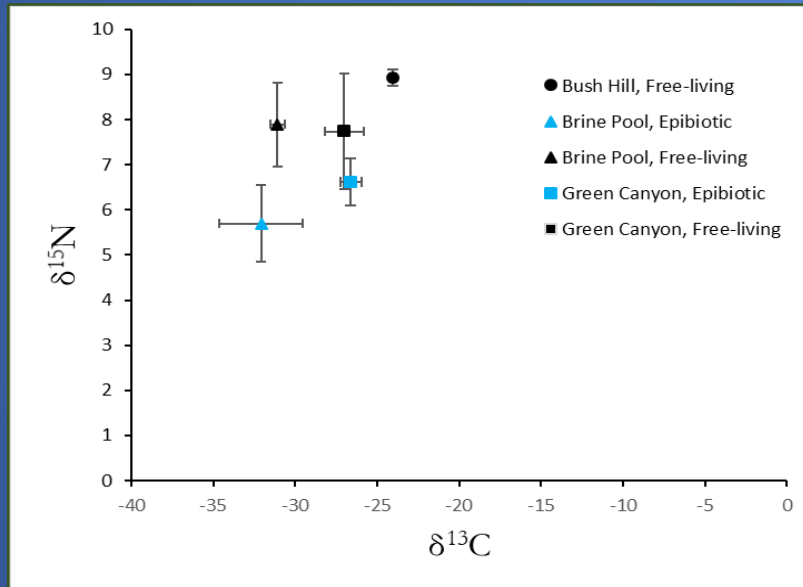
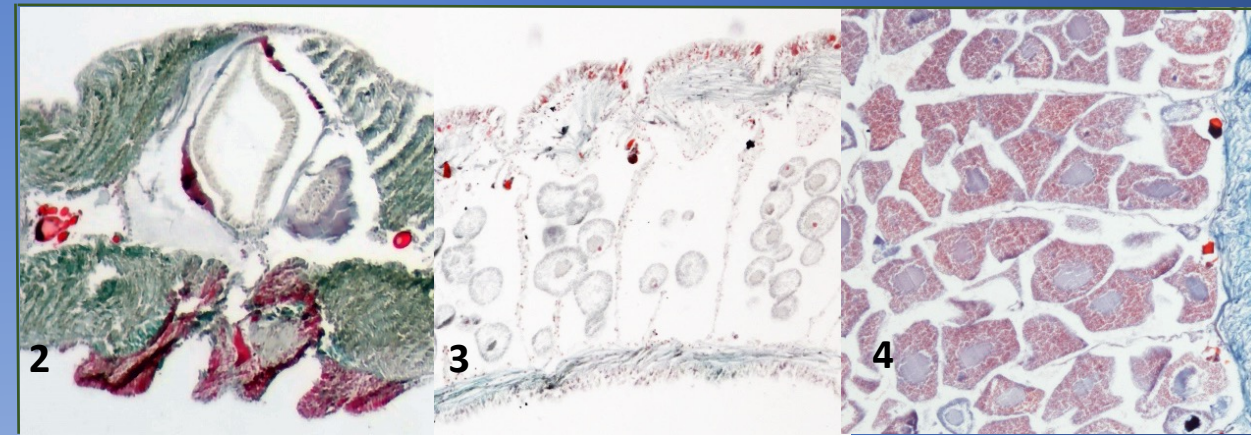
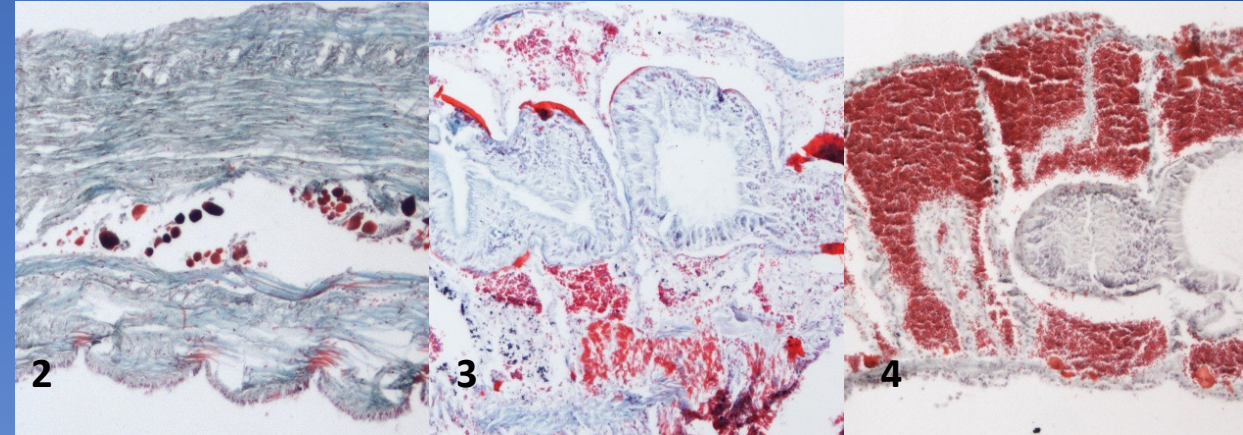
400-2200 m

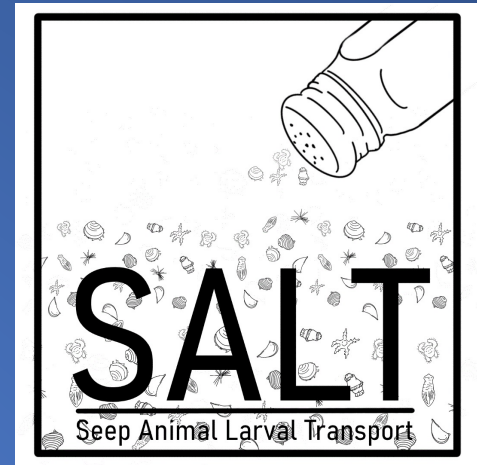


Consequences of Epibiosis in Cold-Seep Sabellid



Lauren Rice, Ph.D. Student
University of Oregon





Our students:

SALT of the Earth ~~Sea~~