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- 3rd GEOTRACES Data-Model Synergy Workshop - GEOTRACES Meetings and Workshops

*Observing particles *in situ* using optical cameras*

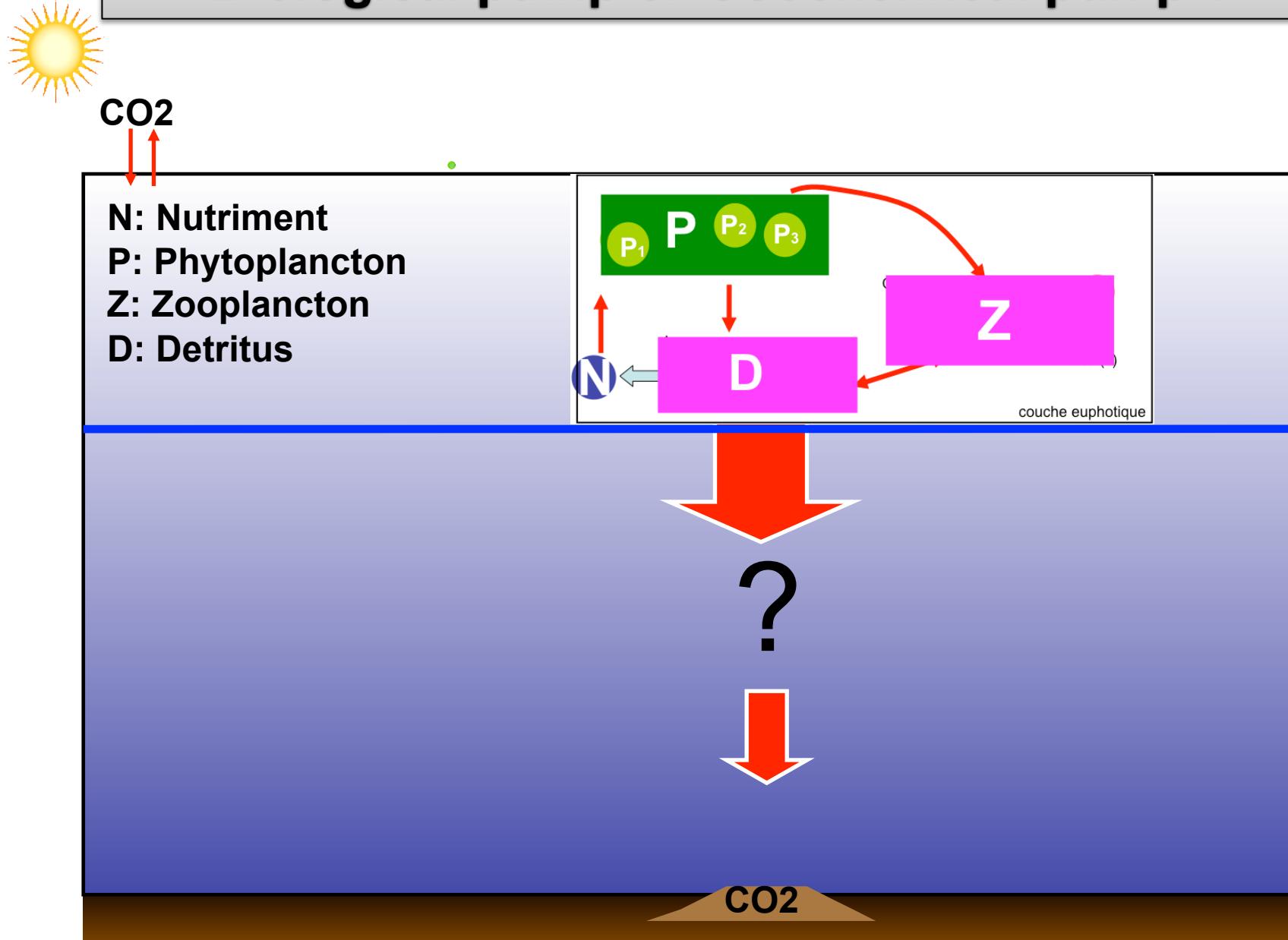
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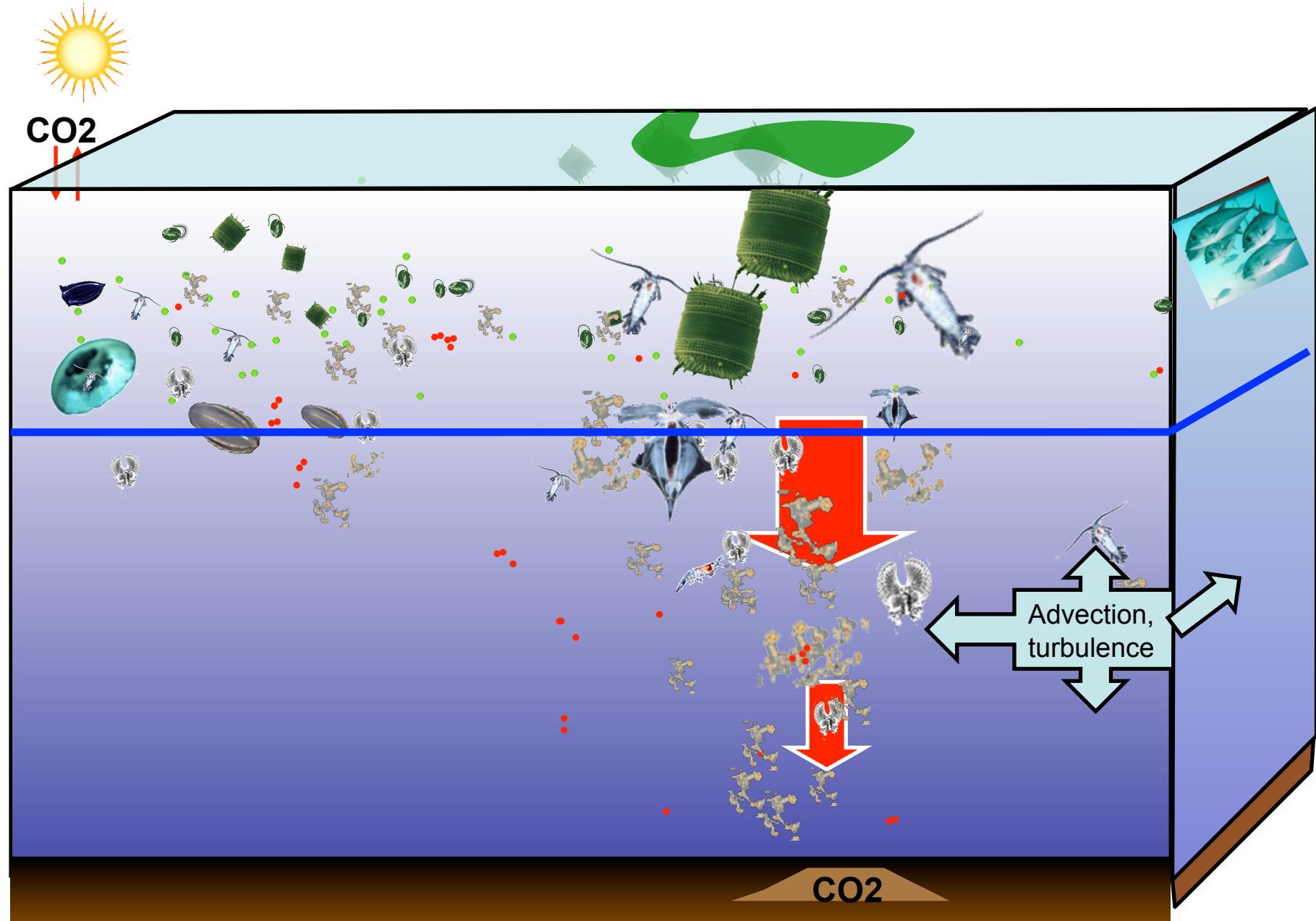


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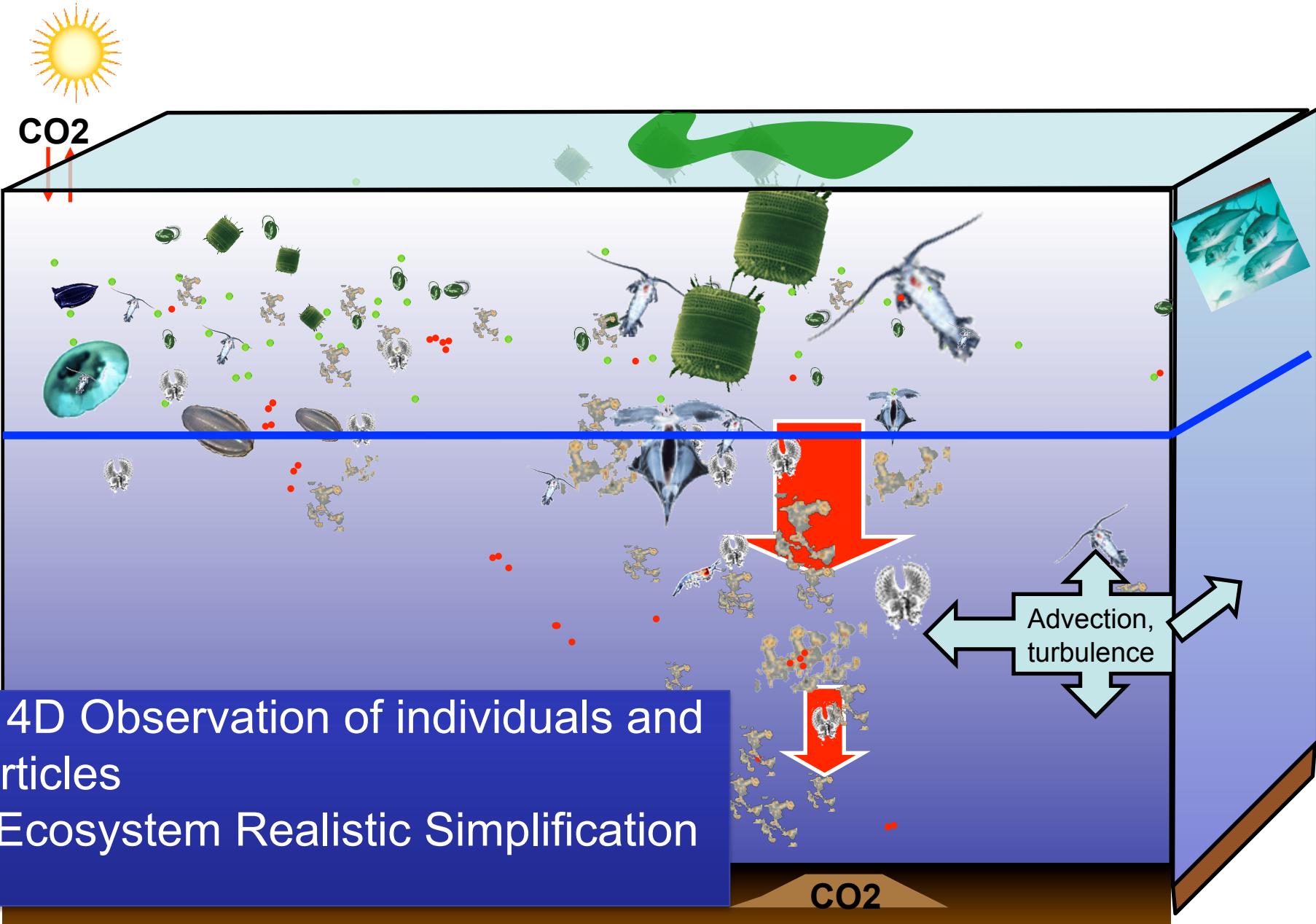
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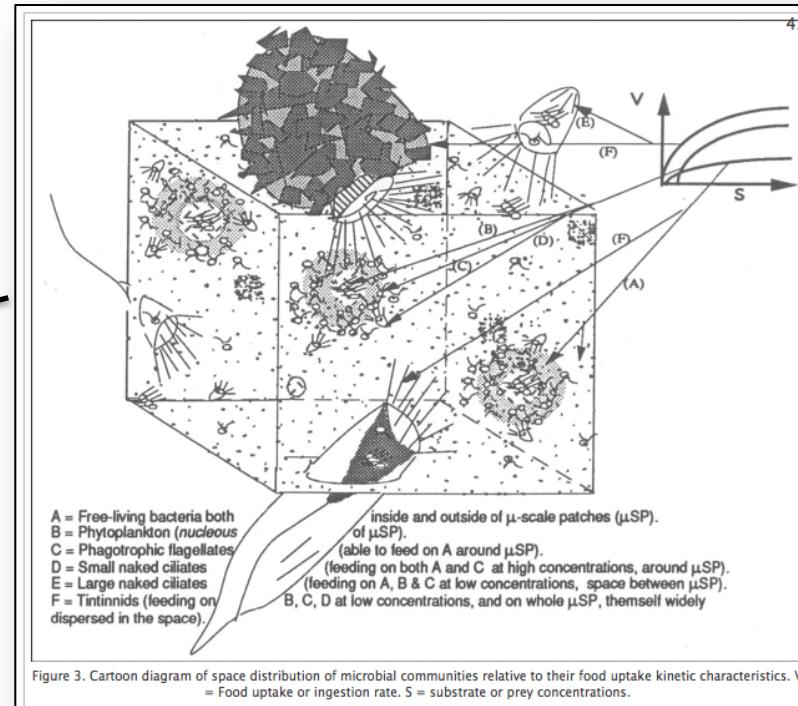
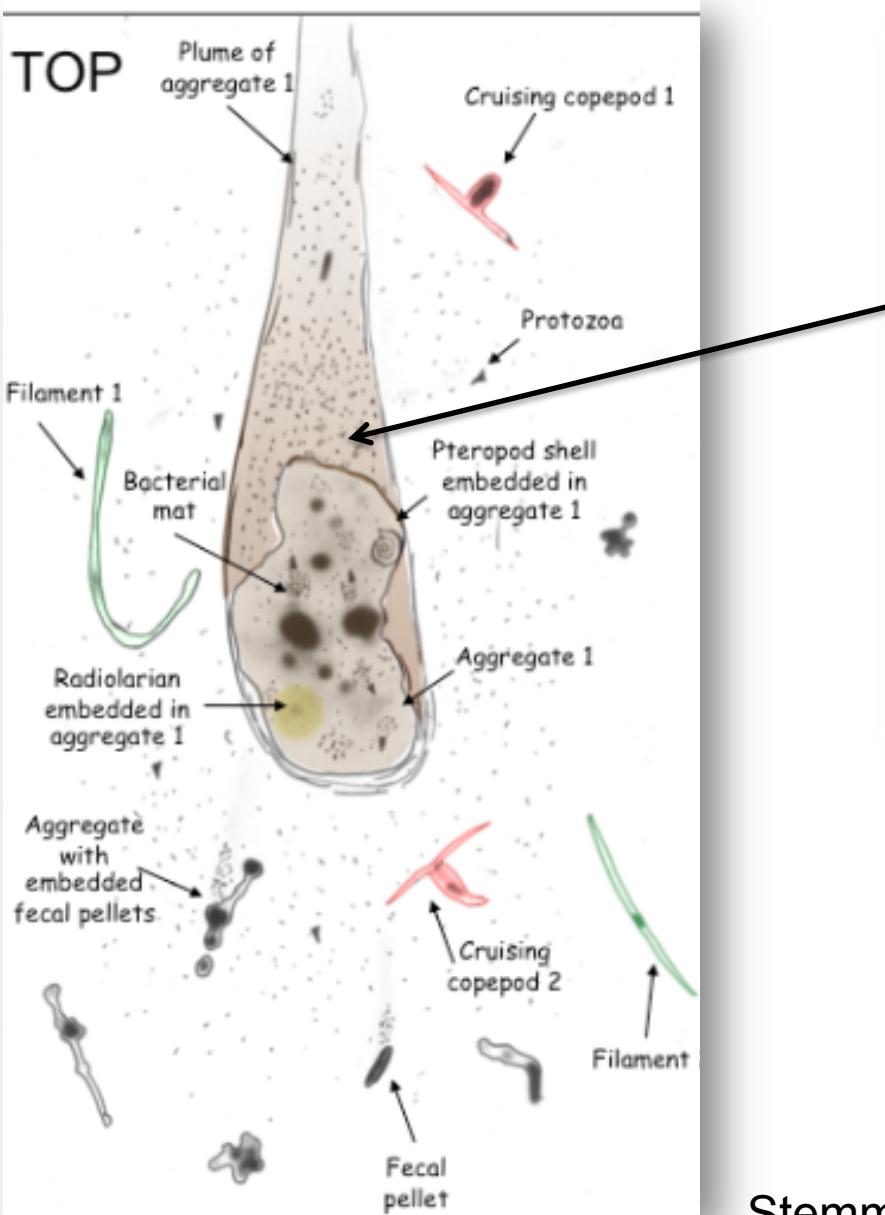
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Particles in the sea, what are they ?



Rassoulzadegan, 2010

Living particles (plankton)
Dead particles

Stemmann and Boss, 2012

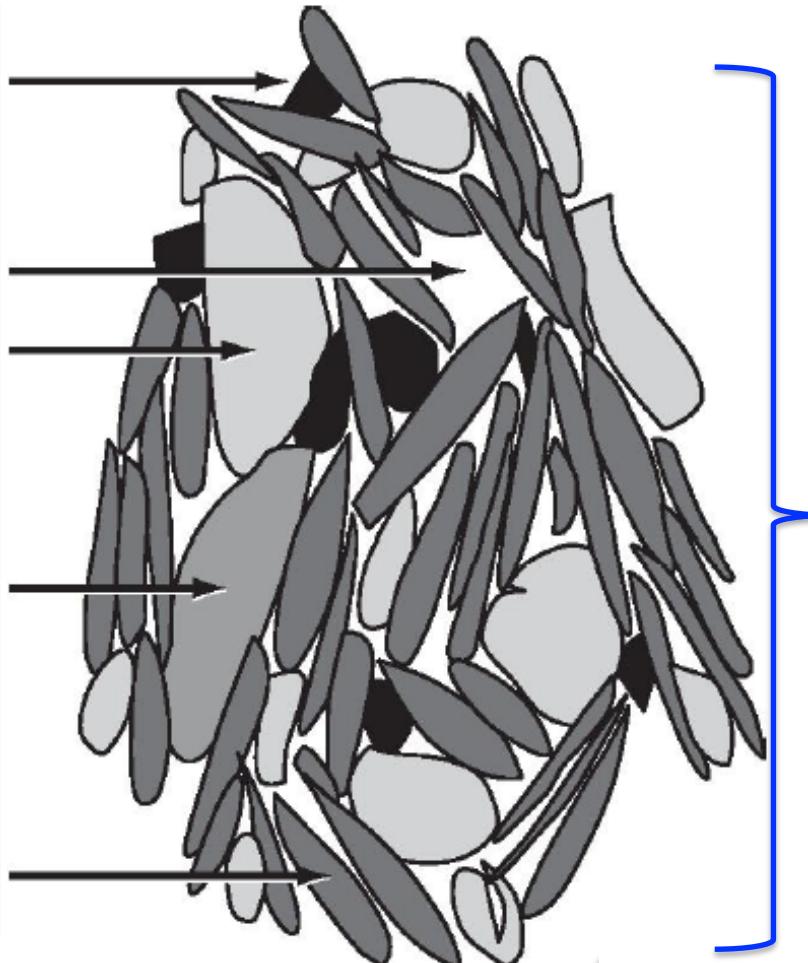
Large Particles in the sea, why they sink ?

Organic matter
(fresh, refractory)

Porewater
Quartz

CaCO_3

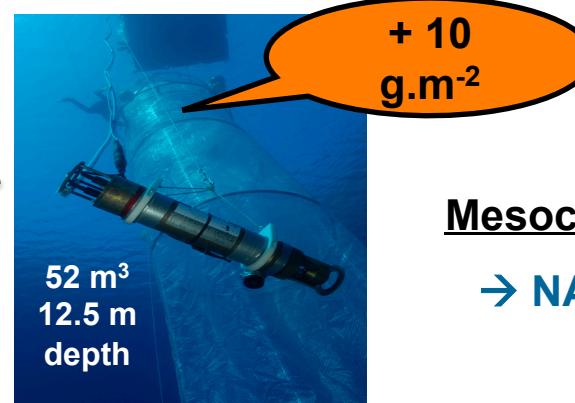
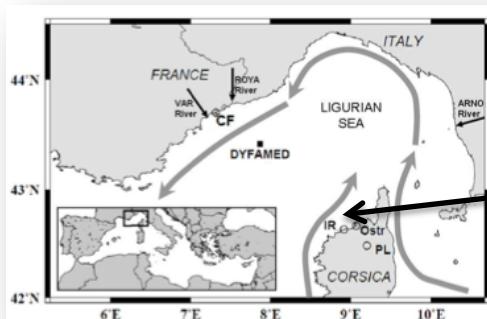
Clay



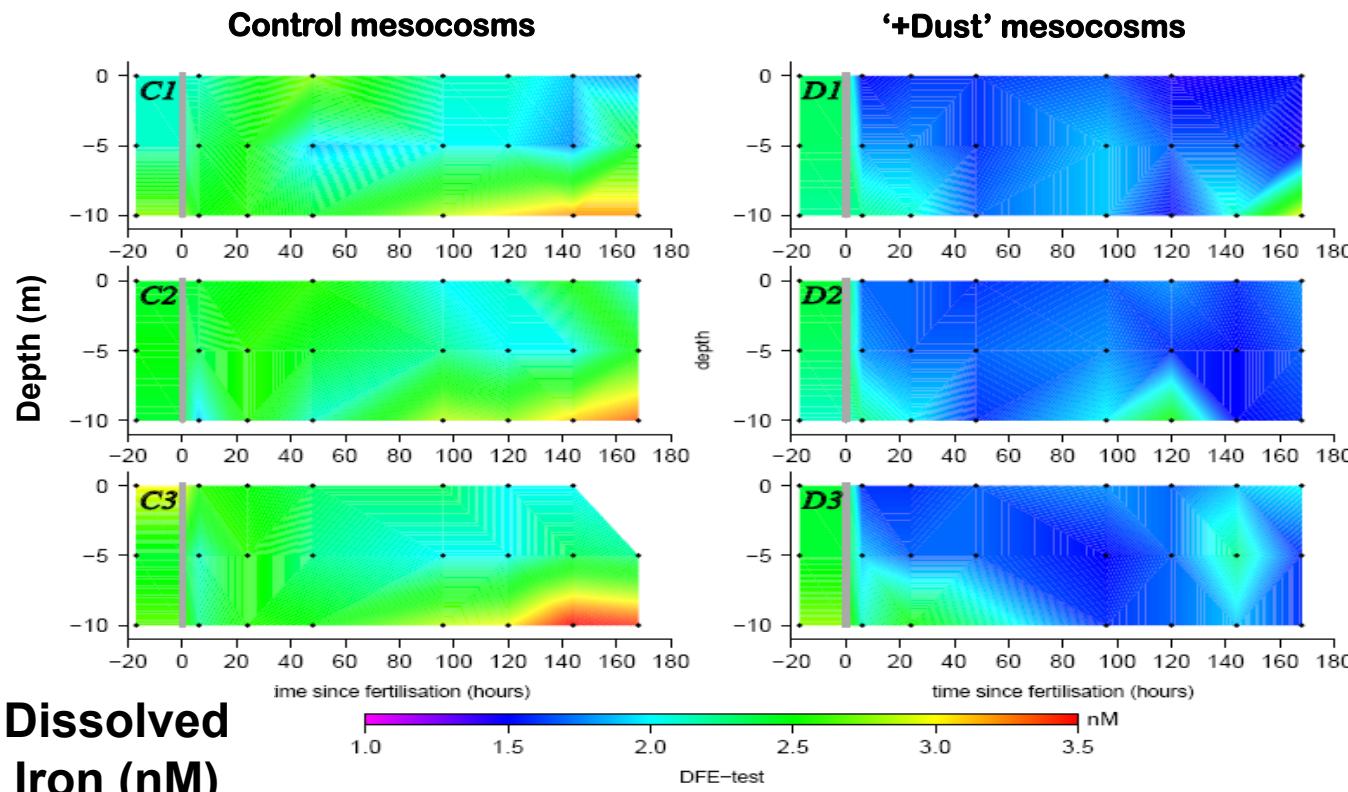
Sarmiento & Gruber 2006

$$W = (1 - P) \frac{2}{9} \frac{gr^2(\Delta\rho)}{\mu},$$

Particles in the sea interact with TEIs ?



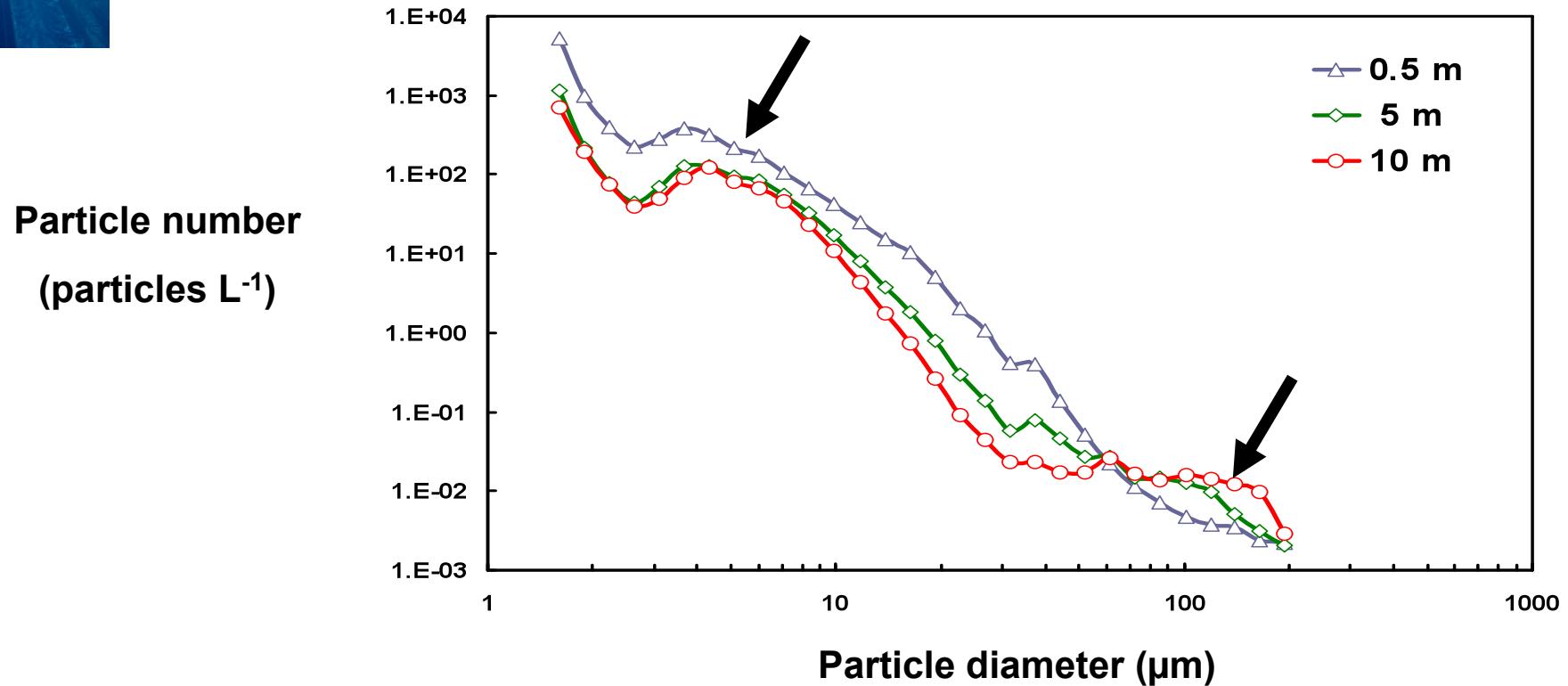
Mesocosm exp. (DUNE project)
→ NATURAL ASSEMBLAGE



(Wagener et al., 2010)



Results from DUNE mesocosm exp.: evidence of aggregates formation



Higher proportion of particles $<60 \mu\text{m}$ in subsurface (or beginning of the experiment)

Increase of particles $>60 \mu\text{m}$ with depth (or time)

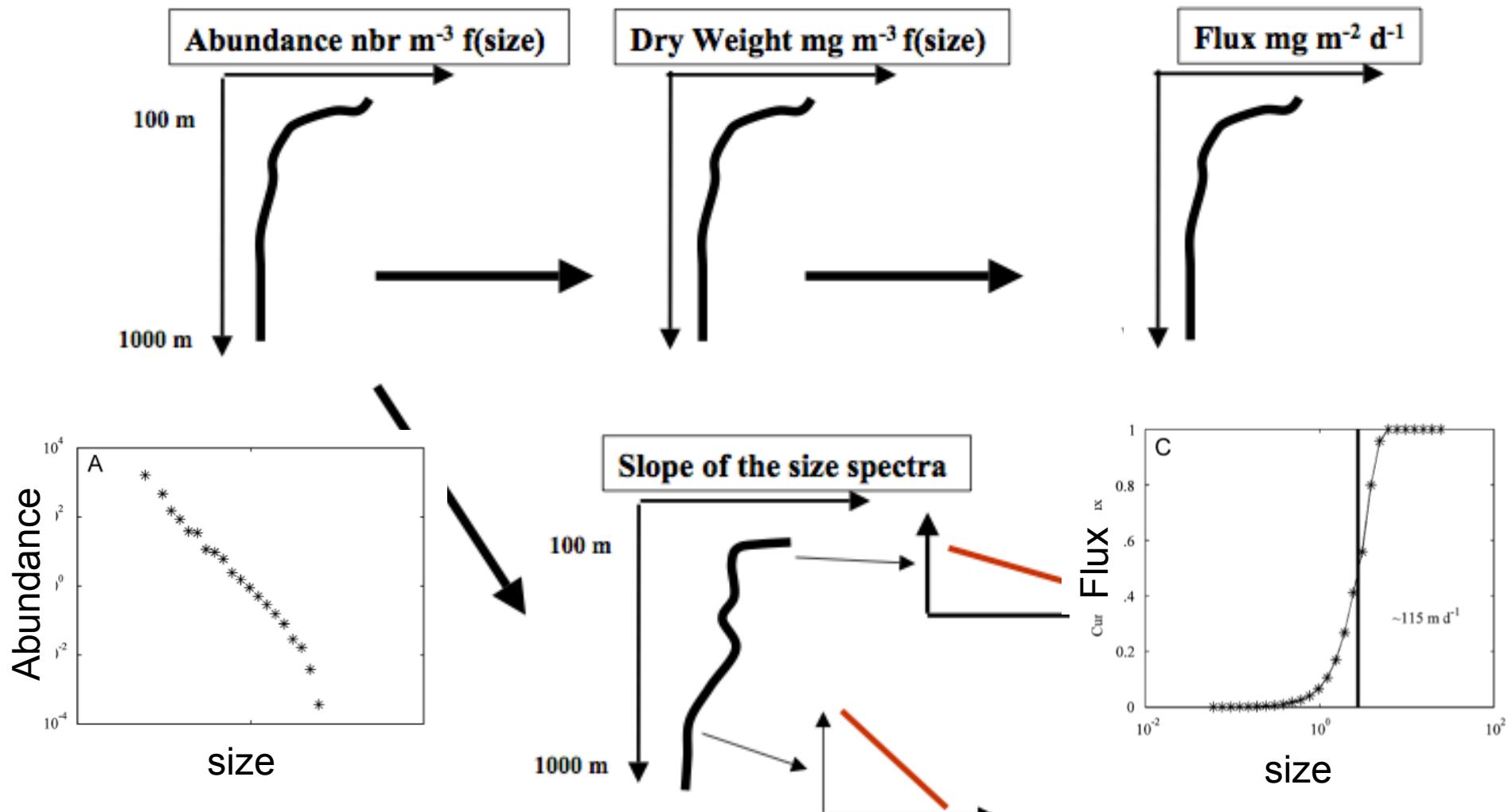
→ Formation of organic-mineral aggregates

How to detect, identify and measure particles and organisms size spectra?

Non exhaustive review of instruments sizing particles used in marine systems

| System | Where | Technology | Size-spectra | Reference |
|---------------|-------------------------|------------------|---------------|---|
| Flow Cam | Lab (future in situ) | Camera | 10 – 1000 µm | Sieracki et al. 1998 |
| HIAC | Lab | Light extinction | 1.3 – 600 µm | Stemmann et al. 2008 |
| LISST | Lab/in situ | Laser | 1.25 – 500 µm | Karp-Boss et al. 2007 |
| LOPC | lab/in situ | Laser beams | 100 – 3000 | Herman et al. 2004 |
| HoloMar | in situ | Holography | 5 – 250 µm | Katz et al. 1999 |
| SIPPER | in situ | Linescan-Camera | >100 µm | Samson et al. 2001 |
| UVP | in situ | Camera CCD | 100 – few cm | Picheral et al. 2010 |
| Par Cam | in situ | Camera | | Wefer and Ratmeyer, 1996; Iversen et al., 2001 |
| VPR | in situ | Camera | 100 – 1 cm | Davis et al. 1992 |
| FlowCytometry | in situ | Laser and camera | 1-100µm | Sosik |

From profiles of abundance/size to profiles of flux

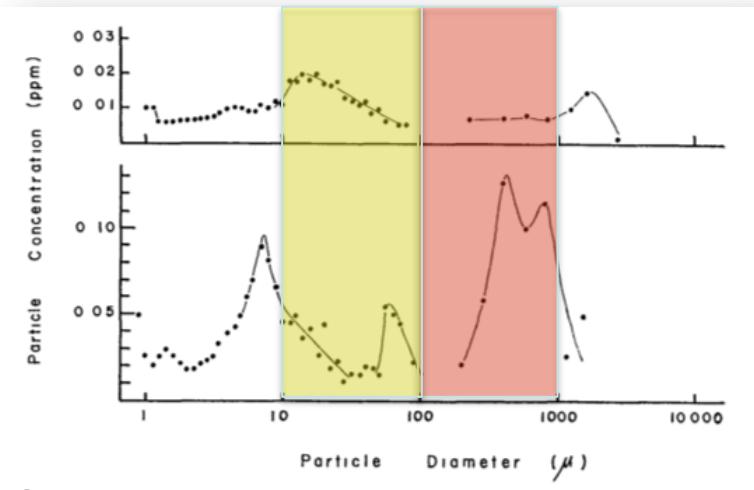


What processes change the size spectrum?

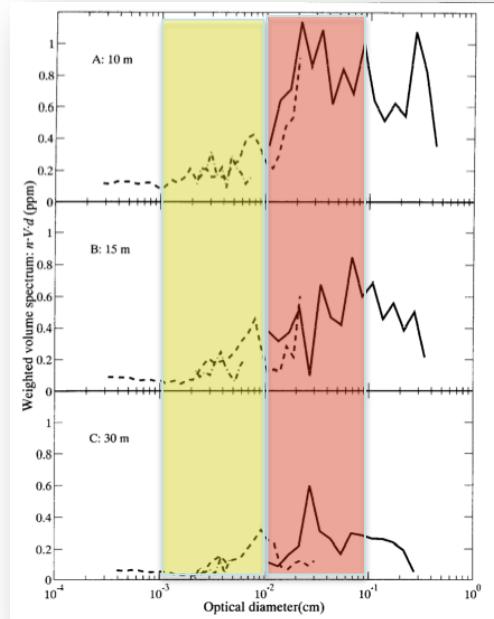
Can it be used to calculate other biogeochemical fluxes ?

Guidi et al., 2008

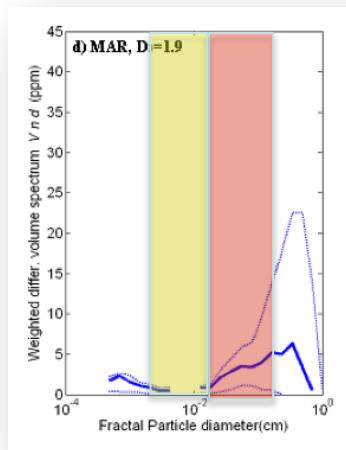
Where is the biomass or biovolume (from few μm to cm) ?



Sheldon (1972),
coulter

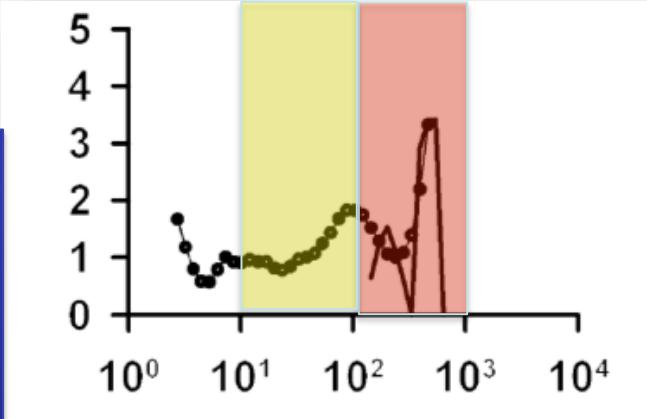


Jackson et al., 1997
several systems



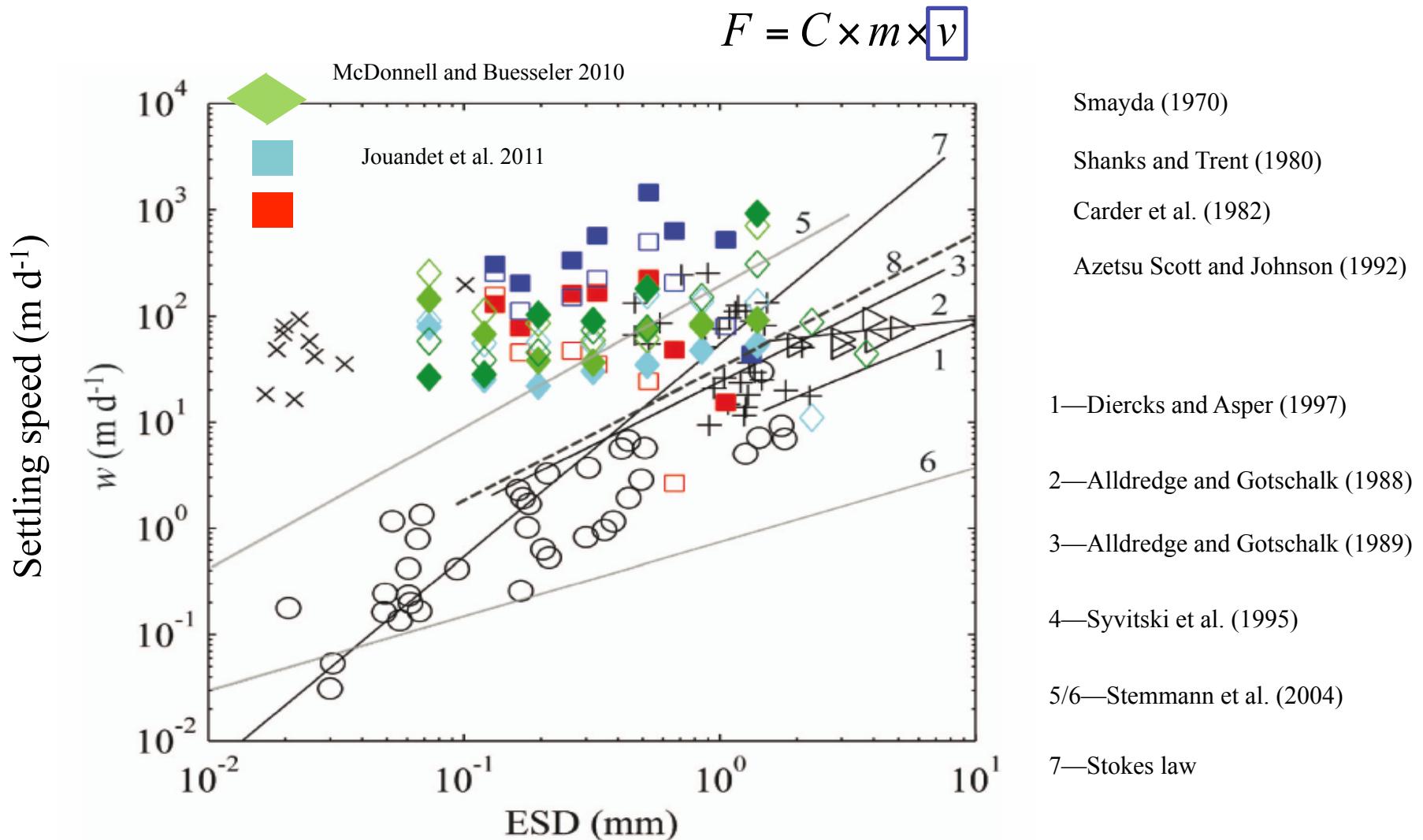
Stemmann et al (2008), HIAC UVP

critical issue is
converting size
to volume
(porosity ?) and
then mass
(density?)

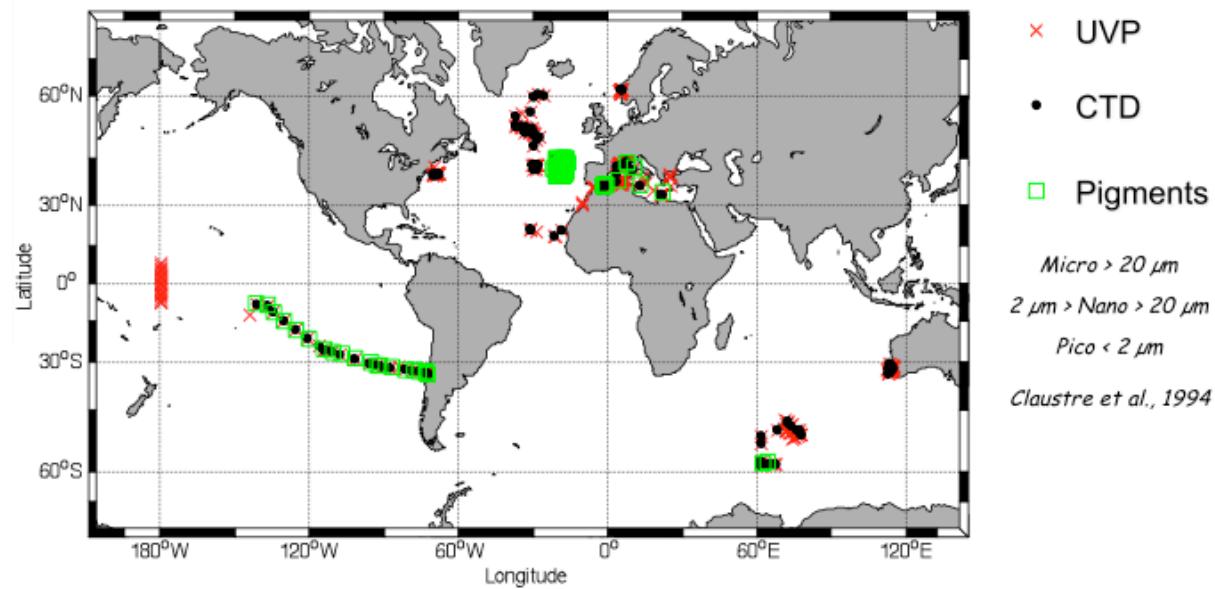


Mikkelsen et al (2005)
LISST+DFC

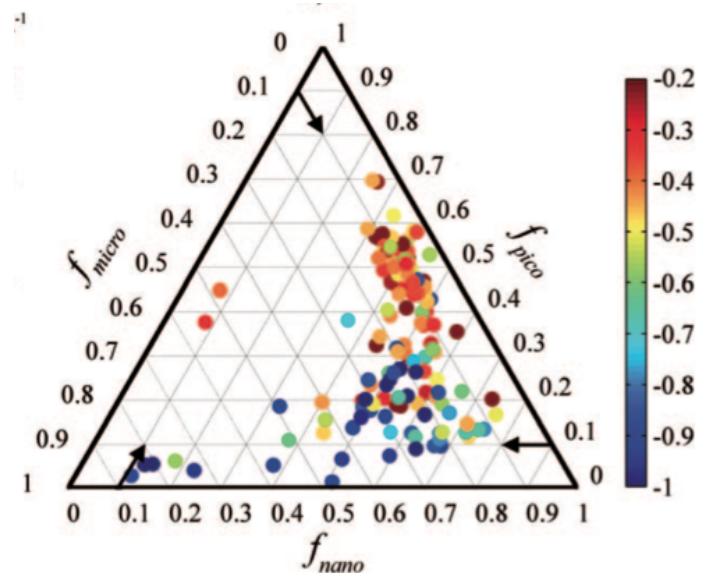
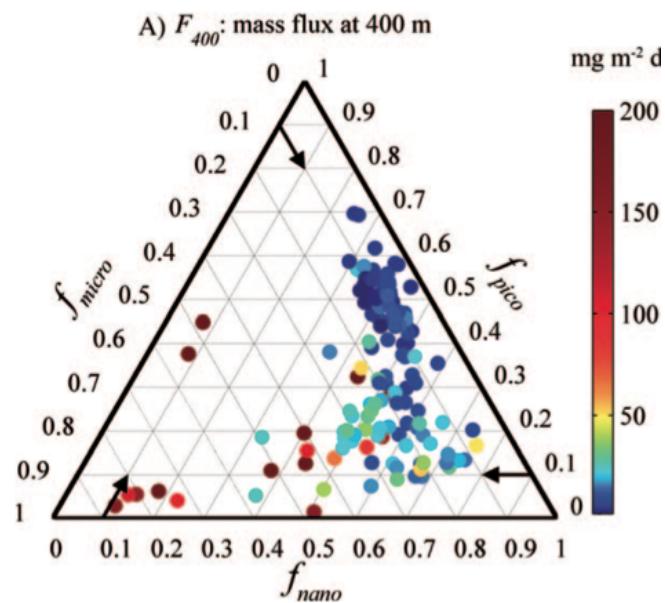
The critical issue: Size to Settling speed from the literature



Global patterns of particles size spectra



Guidi et al., 2009
 UVP ESD $> 100 \mu\text{m}$
 Upper 1000m, 400 profiles
 - particle size decreases with depth
 - particle size is set at the surface
 - link between particle size and phyto. communities
 - flux attenuation is greater in productive area



Vertical patterns of particle size spectra at regional scales

Coast/ocean interactions

McCave et al., 2001, North Atlantic

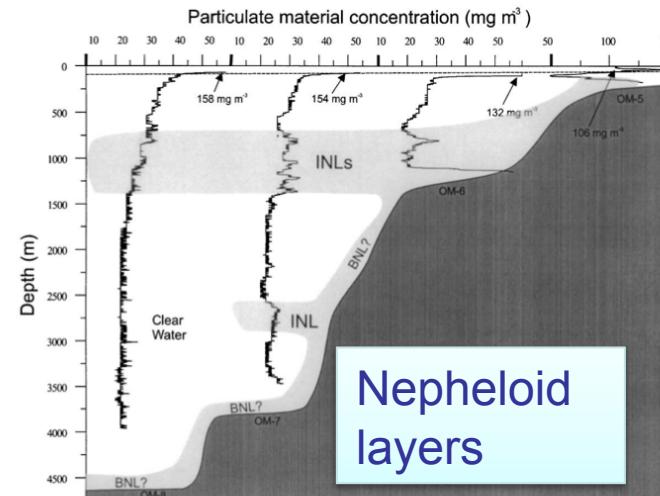
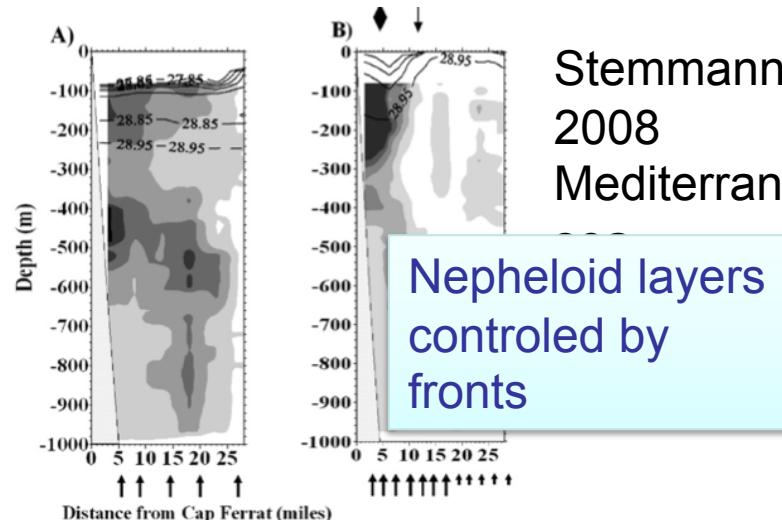


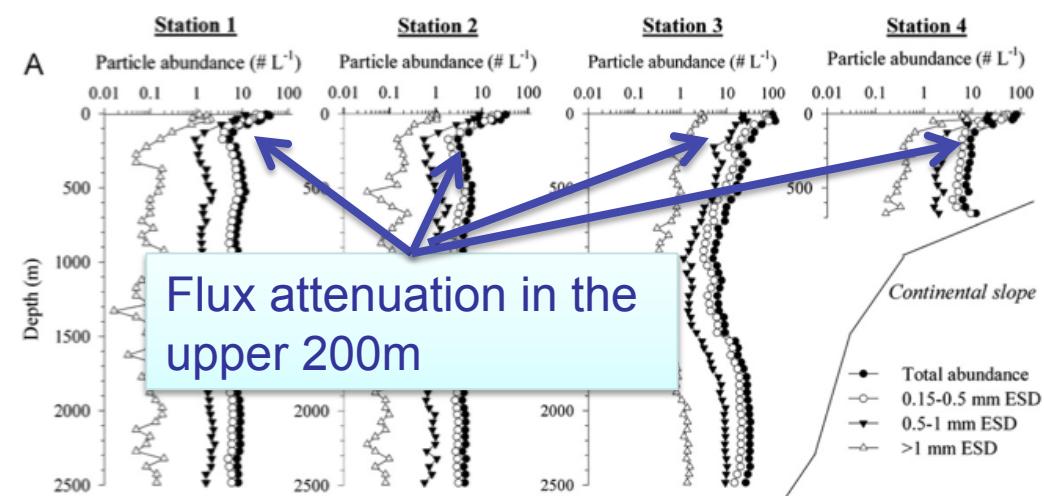
Fig. 6. Turbidity distribution (based on transmission) with depth over Goban Spur sediment trap transect during D216 (Autumn). Data shallower than 100 m are not shown so as to allow a scale which reveals the structure of the deep water.



Stemmann et al.,
2008
Mediterranean

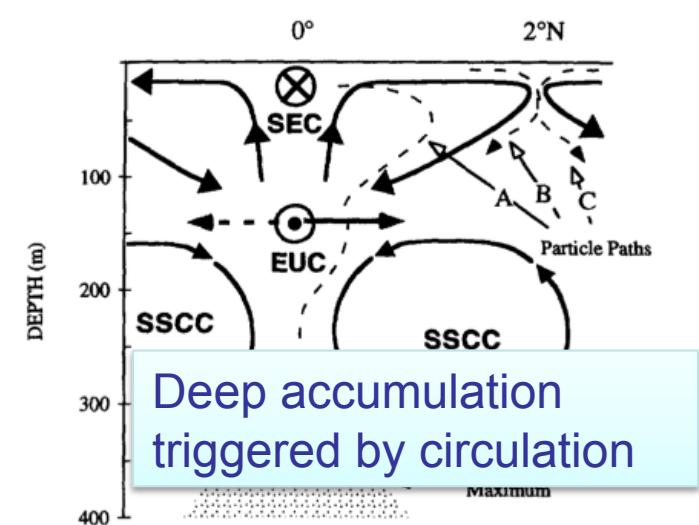
Open sea

Iversen et al., 2011, Tropical Atlantic



Flux attenuation in the
upper 200m

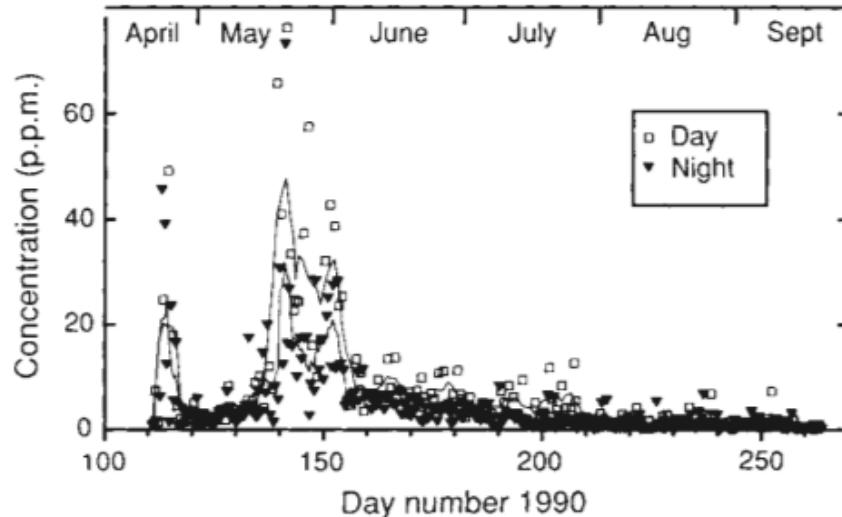
Walsh et al.,
1997
Equatorial
Pacific



Deep accumulation
triggered by circulation

Temporal scales of particle variability

Short time scales



Lampitt et al., 1993, North Atl.

and then

Graham et al., 2000, Monterey Bay

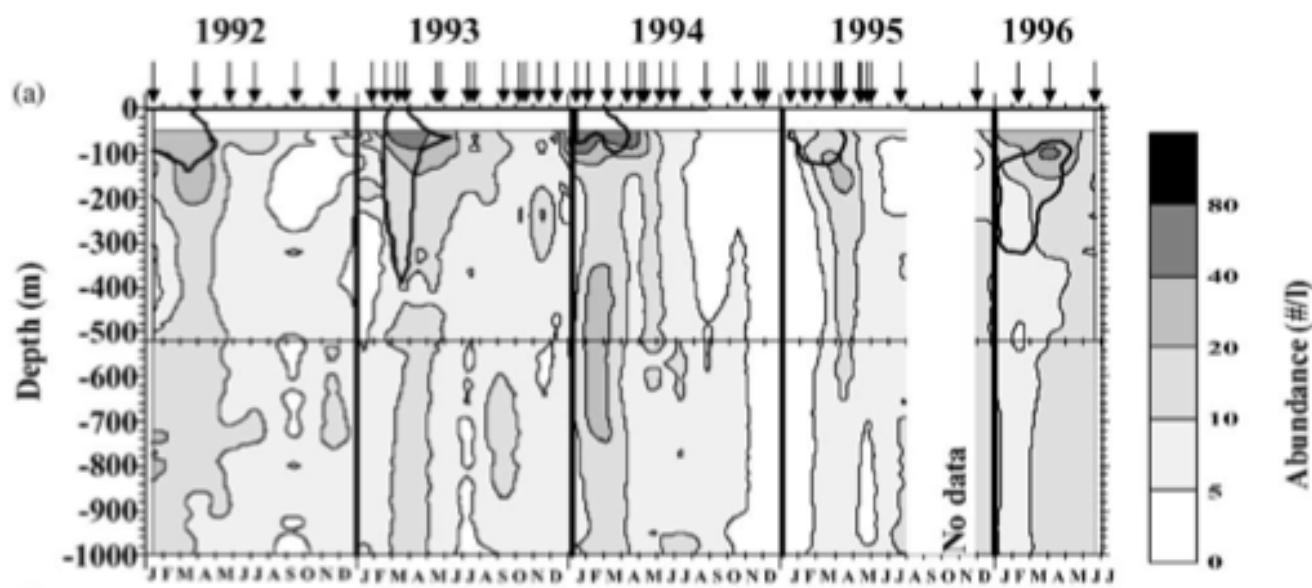
Stemmann et al., 2000, Mediterranean Sea

Goldthwait et al., 2006, Monterey Bay

Hypothesis: DVM or
diel cycle in upper turbulence

Long time scales

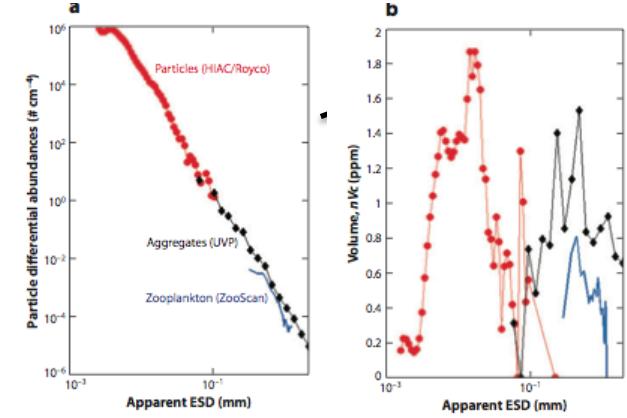
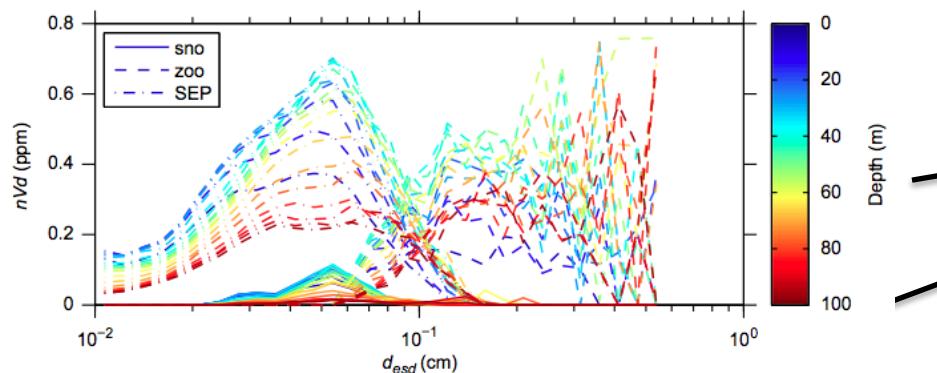
Stemmann et al., 2002
Mediterranean Sea



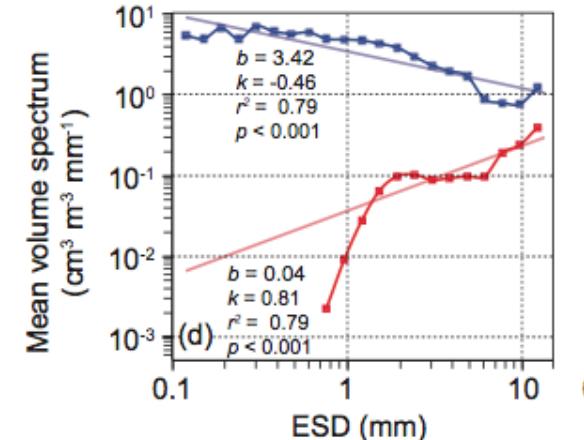
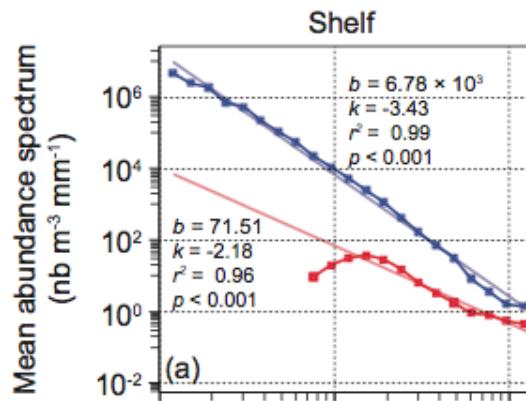
Particle/zooplankton

Forest et al., in prep
UVP, Arctic

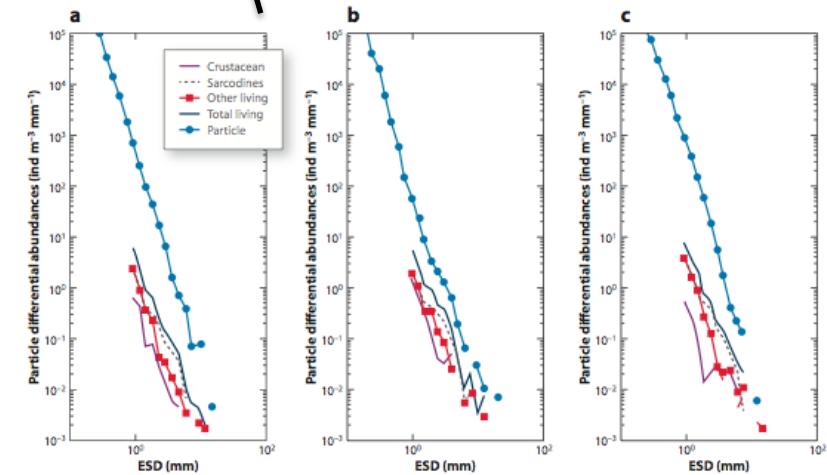
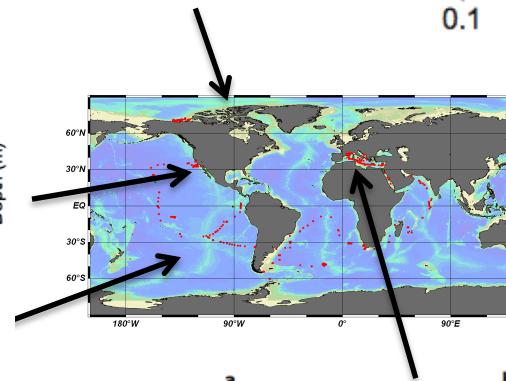
Jackson and Checkley (2011)
SOLOPC data Monterey Bay



Stemmann and
Boss, 2012
UVP, Tropical S.
Pacific



Stemmann and
Boss, 2012
UVP, Mediterranean



Non exhaustive review of particle size structured models

| Focus of the model | Spatial pattern | Constrain with data | Source |
|---|-----------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Coagulation in deep ocean, first equation for processes | 0D | yes and no | |
| Phytoplankton coagulation | 0D | phytoplankton | |
| Phytoplankton coagulation and fragmentation | 0D | yes and no | |
| Ecosystem model with coagulation | | no | |
| Ecosystem model with 2D spectra for particles | 0D | no | Jackson et al., 2001 |
| Particle transformation in mesopelagic layer | 1D | yes, in situ particle spectra | Stemmann et al., 2004a, b |
| Ecosystem model with coagulation | 1D to 3D | no vertical flux | Kriest and Evans, 1999 Kriest and Oschlies, 2008 |
| Ecosystem model with coagulation, ballast | 3D | yes, vertical flux | Gehlen et al., 2006 |

where are
the data on
particle size
spectra ?

Particle dynamics in the sea. What is known, not well known and unknown?

Known: the ocean is a complex soup of particles

Not well know but will improve

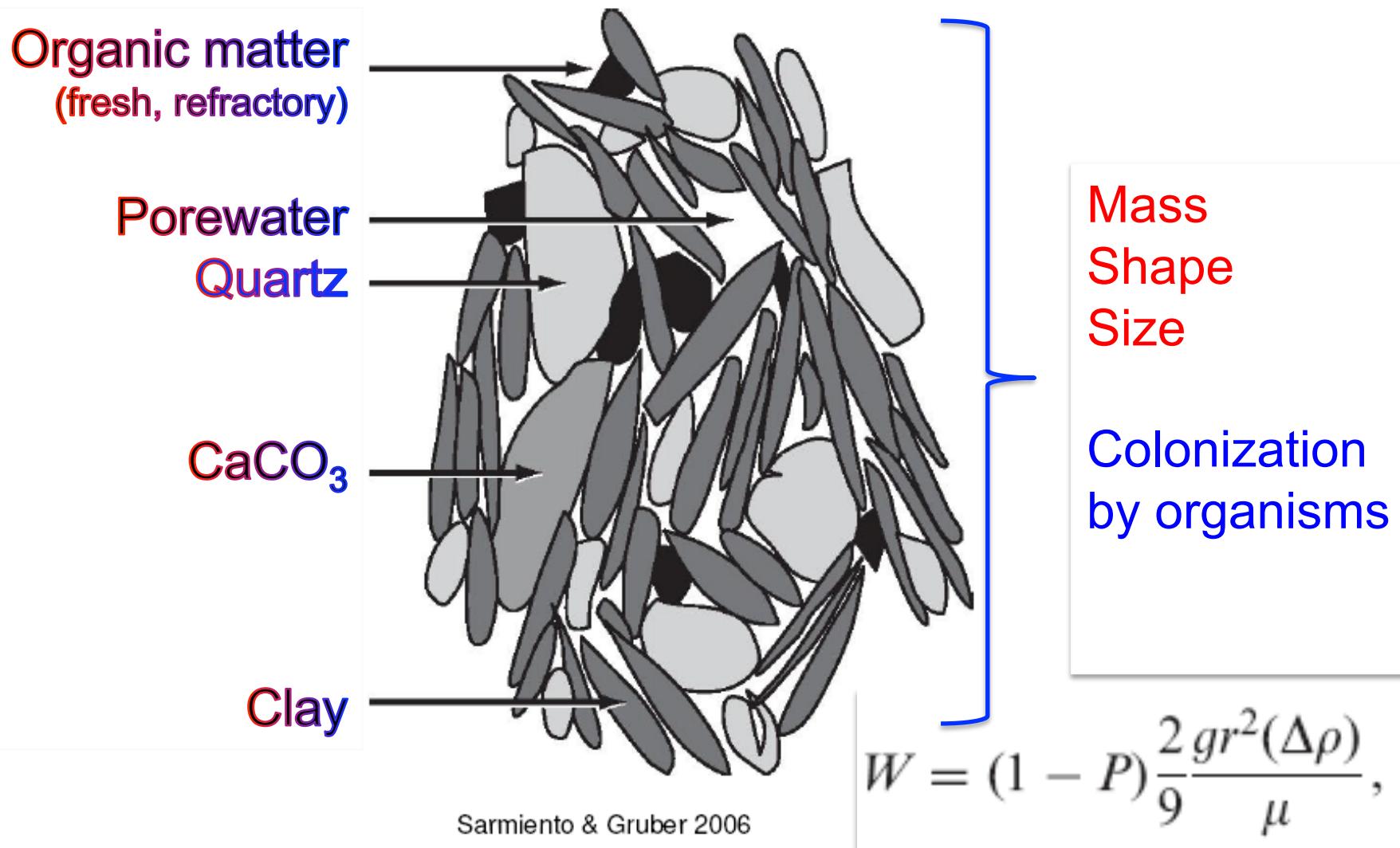
- Particle spatial distribution,
- Particle transport as a function of size
- in situ Particle size spectra in relation to plankton community
- Particles shapes, organic matter quality (multispectral imaging)
- Particles ballast (optical properties)

Not known and difficult to measure/estimate

- processes acting on flux attenuation (bacteria/zooplankton) and impact on the other elements (TEI)
- Impact of coagulation and fragmentation from surface to the deep (TEP role)

Perspective for imaging

What is measurable (or can be estimated) by imaging now and in the future?



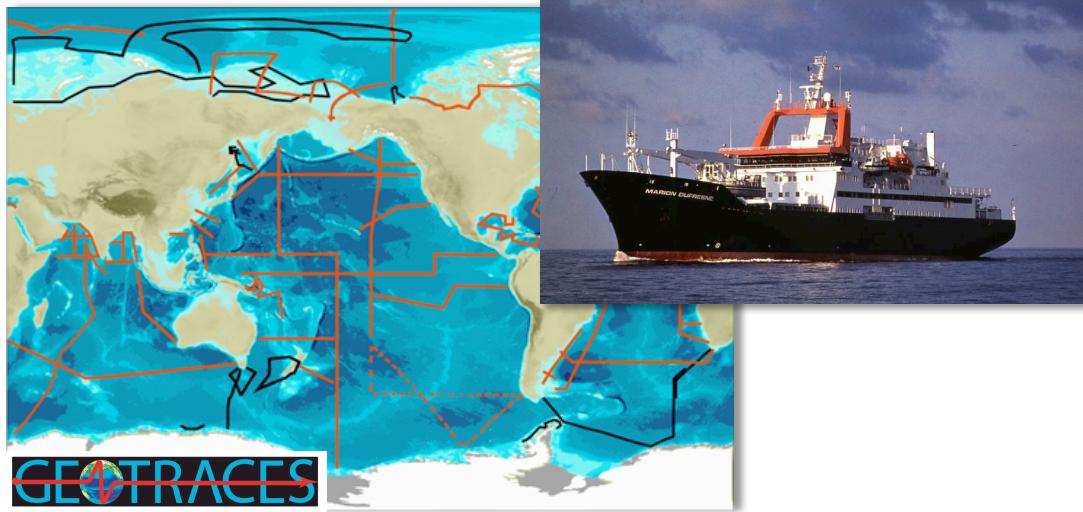
Images great perspectives

- ✓ Provide **Indicators of ecosystem status** (abundance, biomass, taxa, size spectra),
- ✓ Can be obtained using lab and in situ instruments, **they provide high frequency data, better technologies**

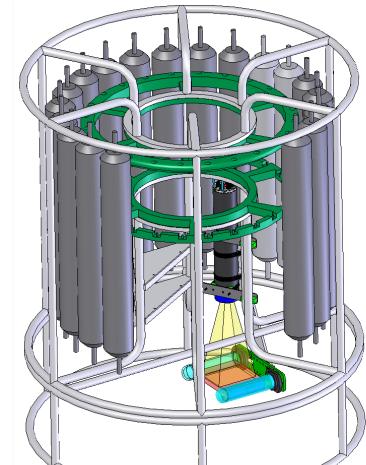
These indicators can be used to **develop mathematical models** also for zooplankton when size is important

- zooplankton size spectra to get information on physiological rates (Platt & Denman 1978, ... Baird et al., 2004, 2010, Zhou 2006, Maury et al., 2007).
- vertical distribution of appendicularian and effect on vertical fluxes (Lombard et al., 2009).
- appendicularians in recent PFT models (Berline et al., 2010).
- vertical distribution of particle fluxes (Stemmann et al., 2004).
- and particle dynamics models (see previous slide)

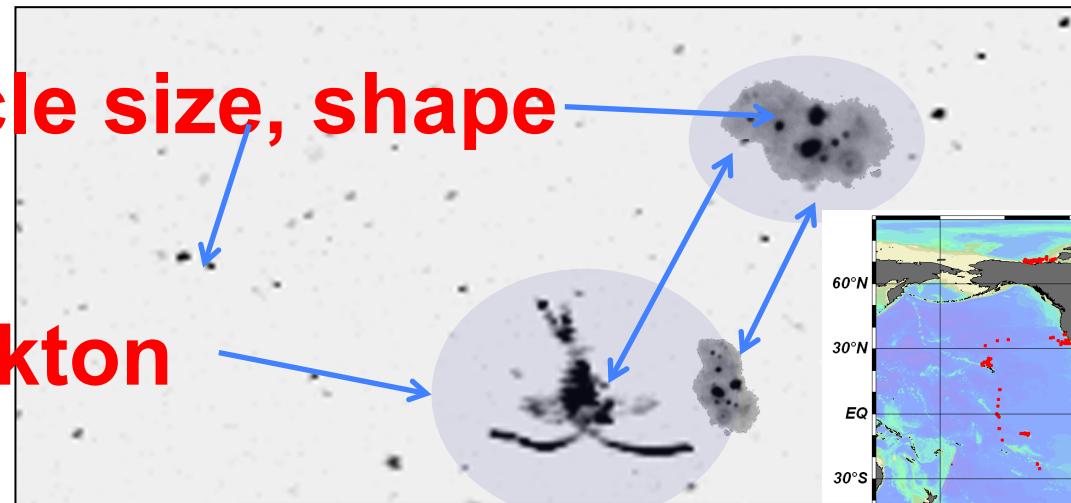
What could be measured by GEOTRACES in the close future?



Use In situ
instruments from
ships
UVP, VPR, SIPPER, ...

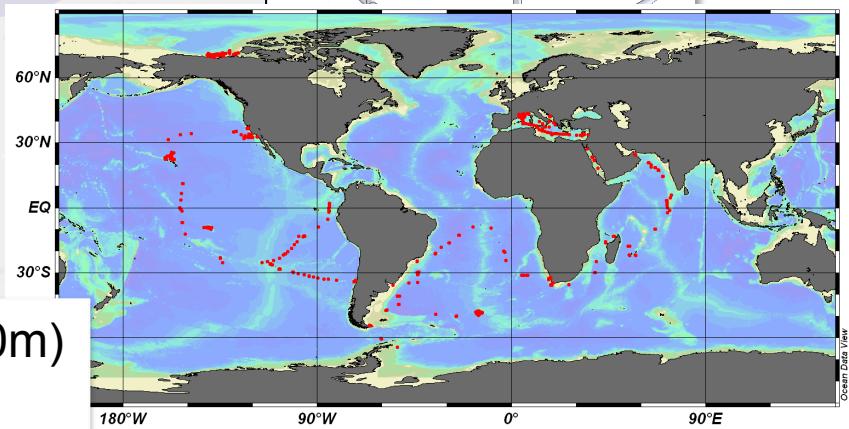


Particle size, shape

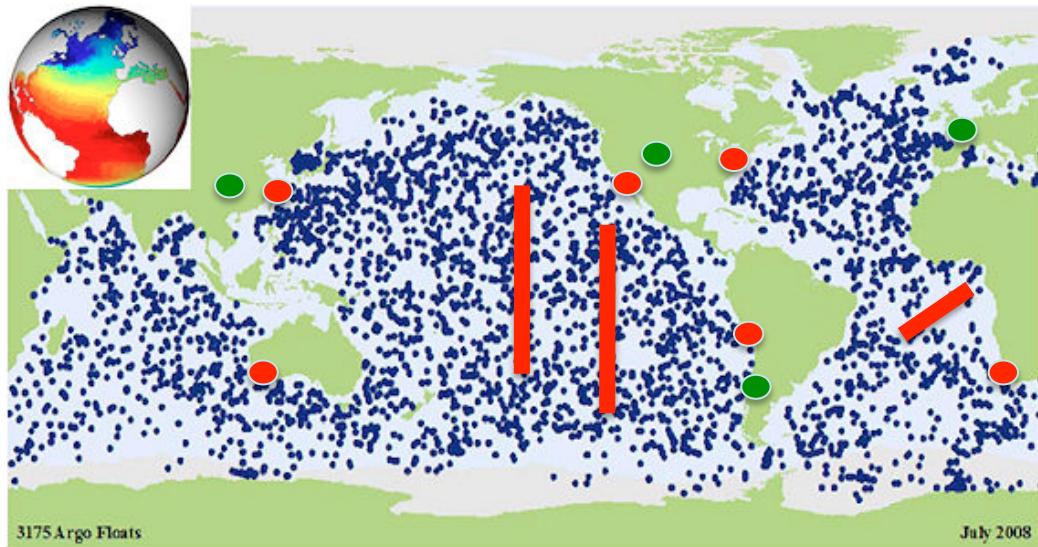


Plankton

4000 UVP profiles (0-1000m)
one image every 10 cm



Partnerships with other programs: go from snapshots to continuous monitoring

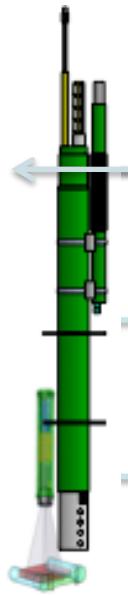


Global network of observations

- - ARGO-> BIOARGO+vision
- - fixed stations + vision
- - cruises of opportunity

● Oceanographic data center for QC and large diffusion

-Ecosystem monitoring
- Data assimilation in models for Carbone fluxes and marine ressources.



Particulate Organic Carbon (size spectra)

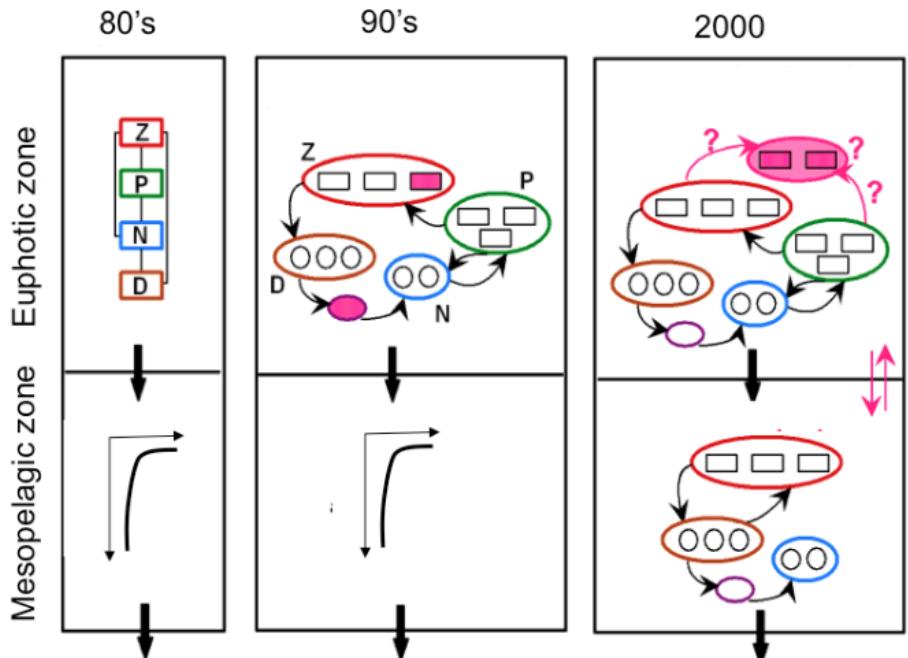
macro and mesoplankton (Taxa size spectra)

Pico and microplankton (taxa, size spectra)

CTD and geochemical data

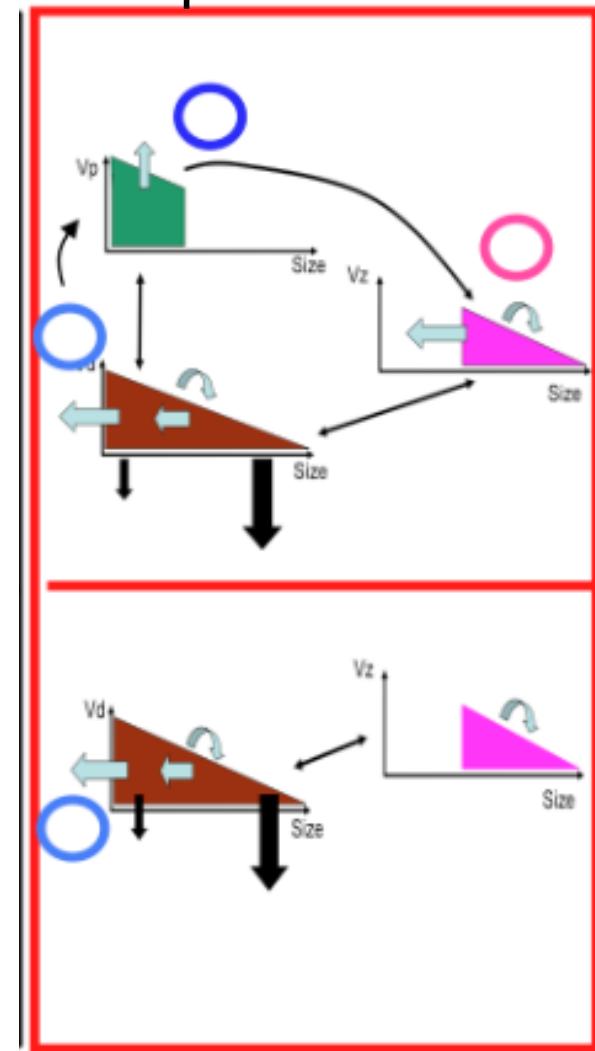
What should Biogeochemical models represent ?

The past: box models



- ✓ Functional groups
- ✓ Size spectra for particles, some zooplankton groups

The Future: box models + size spectra



Stemmann and Boss (2012)

THE KEY OF THE SUCCESS:

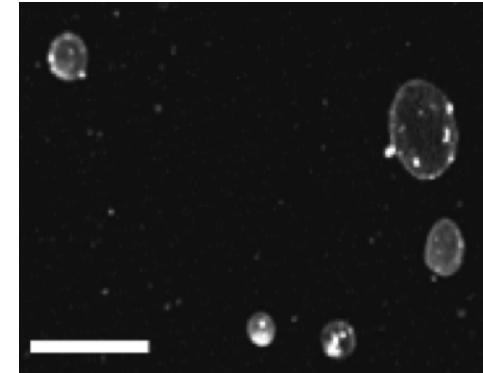
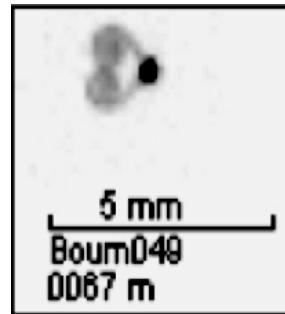
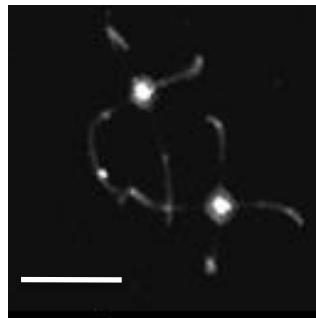
- **AGREED PROCEDURES** (image format, treatment, semi-automatic recognition, intercalibration)
- **AGREED DATA MANAGEMENT**
- **AGREED DATA DISTRIBUTION**
- **AGREED MODELING FRAMEWORKS**
- **SUMMER SCHOOLS FOR THE USERS**

The biological, particle community has not reached yet a sufficient maturity in using images.

These are propositions that we could discuss now building on the biogeochemical community experience

Thank you
inviting me to this meeting
for listening

By the way, do you know what they are ???



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