



# Biophysical modeling of the Brazilian sardine: from reproduction to your table

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# Presentation layout



Statistics: *is this it?*



From *patterns* to *processes*: biology and ocean physics.



Modelling in a western boundary current:

✓ Brazilian sardine reproduction strategy.

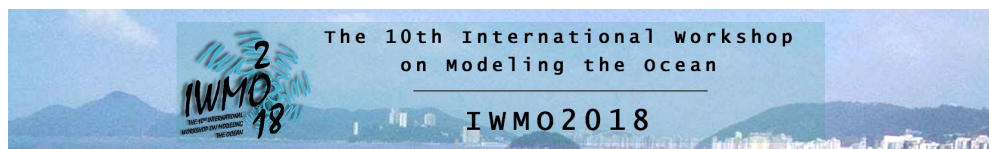


The highs and lows of sardine production:

✓ don't blame ocean variability.



What's next? MPAs connectivity.



## WHAT IS A BIOPHYSICAL MODEL?

*A biophysical model is a simulation of a biological system using mathematical formalizations of the physical properties of that system to predict the influence of biological and physical factors on complex systems.*

Nature.com

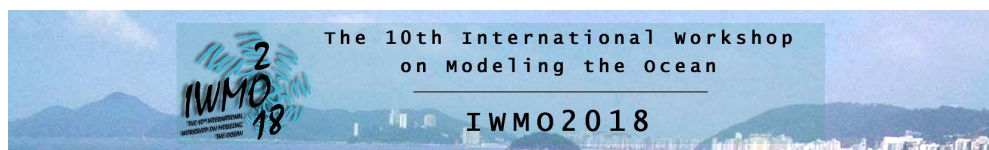
## WHY SHOULD IT BE USED?

*Marine ecosystems are affected by multiple factors, natural and anthropogenic, interacting together (non linear) and making ecosystem dynamics difficult to understand and predict.*

Travers-Trolet et al., 2014 (PlosOne)

## WHAT IS IT USED FOR?

Connectivity of marine populations (ocean physics), describing essential habitats, impacts of climate change, Marine carbon cycling, testing ecological hypotheses...





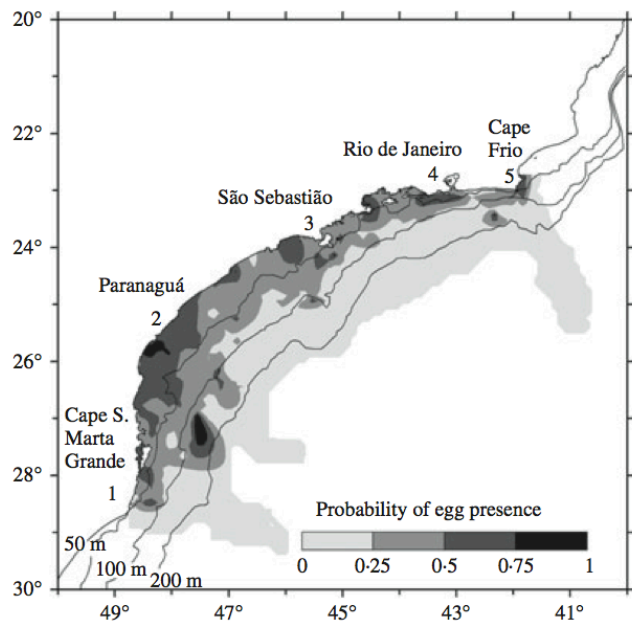


FIG. 3. Summary map of the average probabilities calculated from the indicative kriging of all cruise representing the spawning distribution of *Sardinella brasiliensis*.



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### Spatial analysis of egg distribution and geographic changes in the spawning habitat of the Brazilian sardine *Sardinella brasiliensis*

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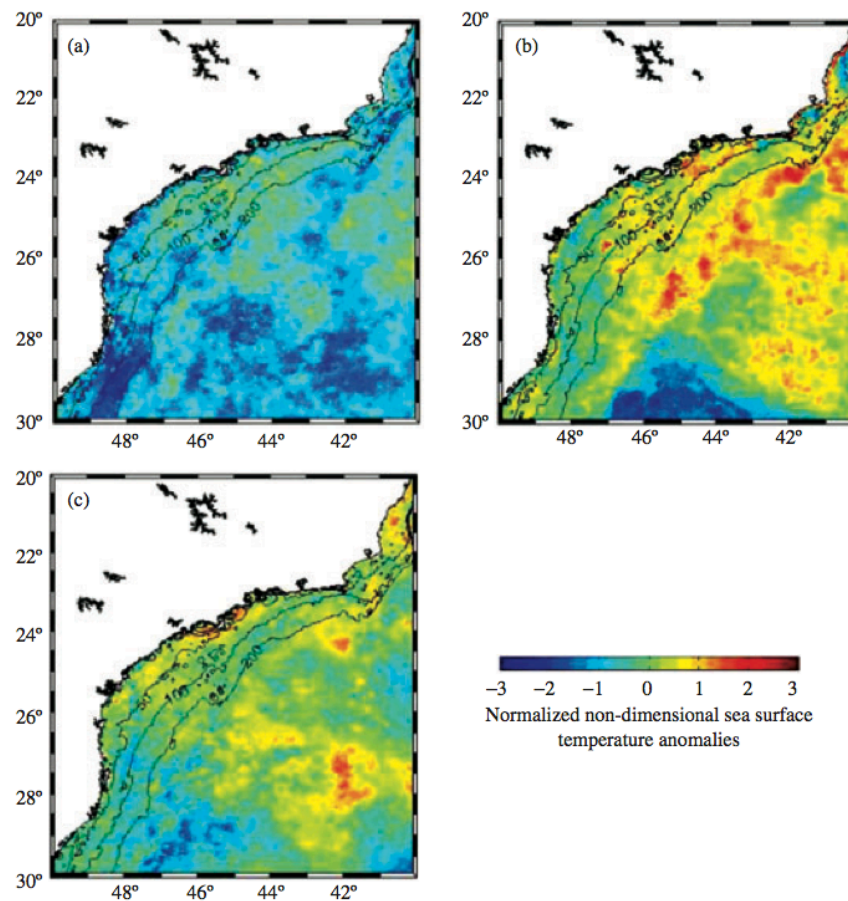


FIG. 10. Normalized (non-dimensional) sea surface temperature anomalies (SSTA) maps derived from satellite data for the spawning habitat relative to: (a) 1993 (case representing a habitat expansion), (b) 1988 and (c) 1991 (cases for the habitat contraction).

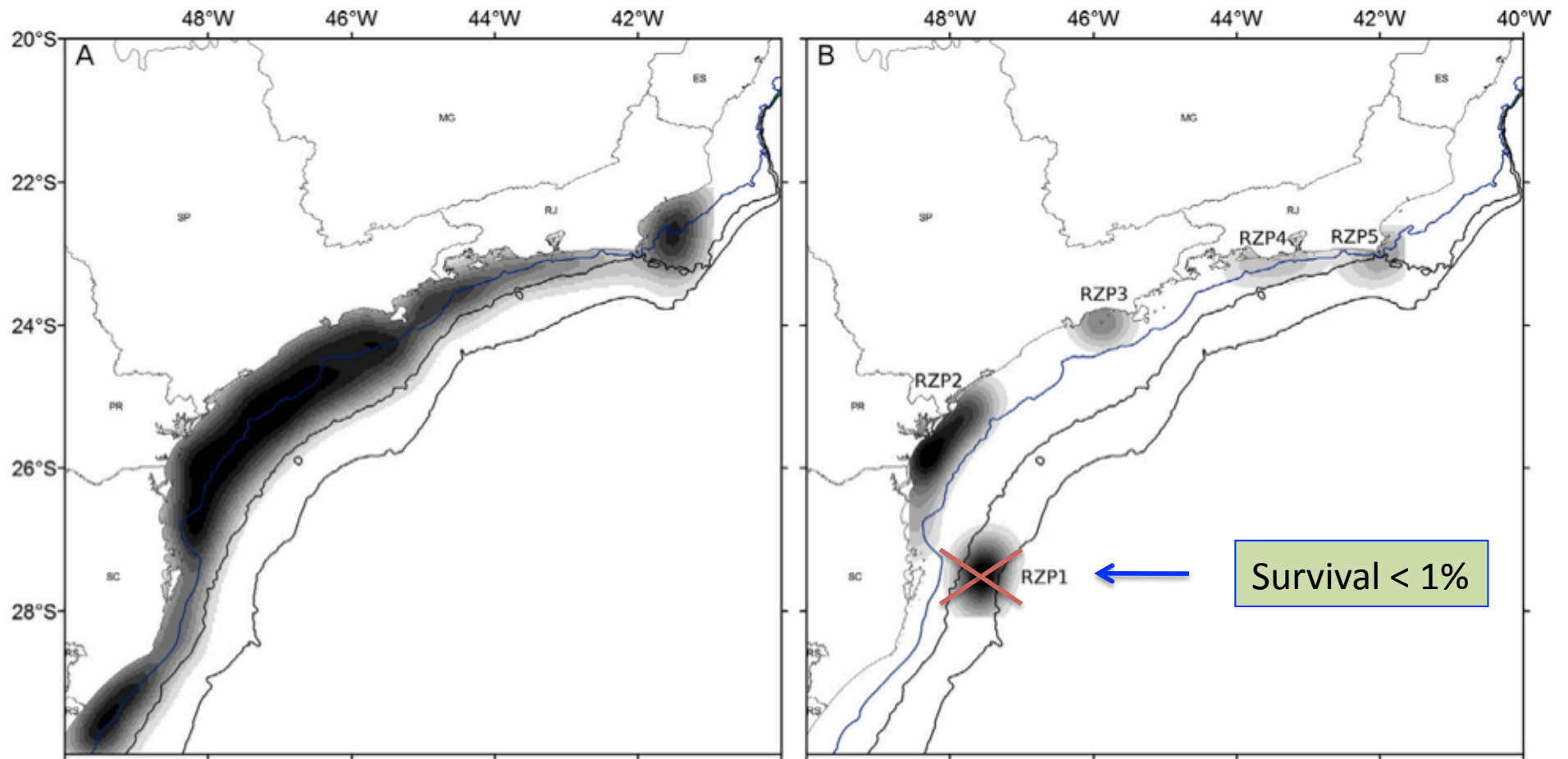




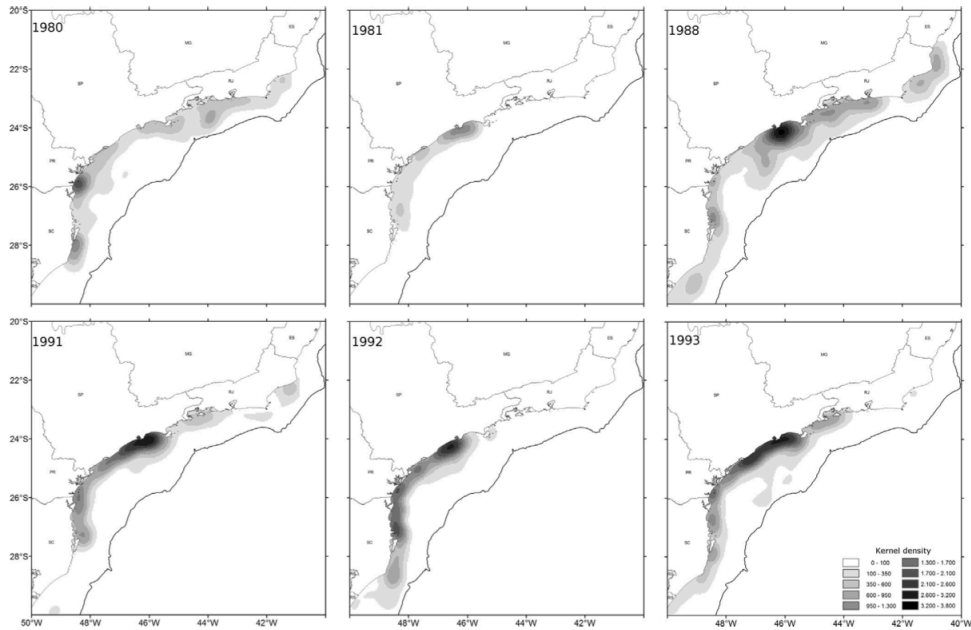
### Modeling the spawning strategies and larval survival of the Brazilian sardine (*Sardinella brasiliensis*)



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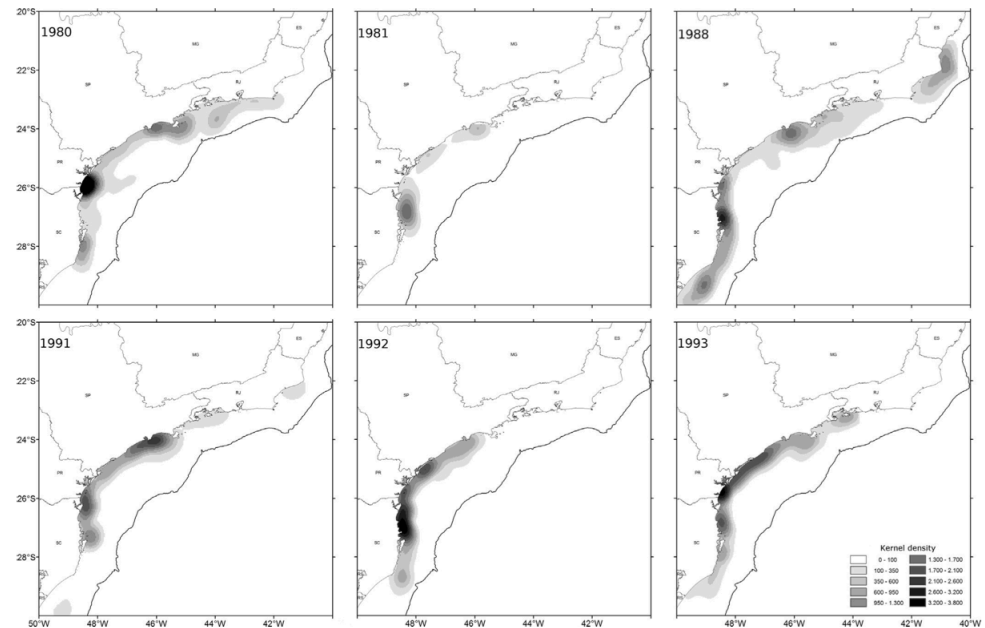
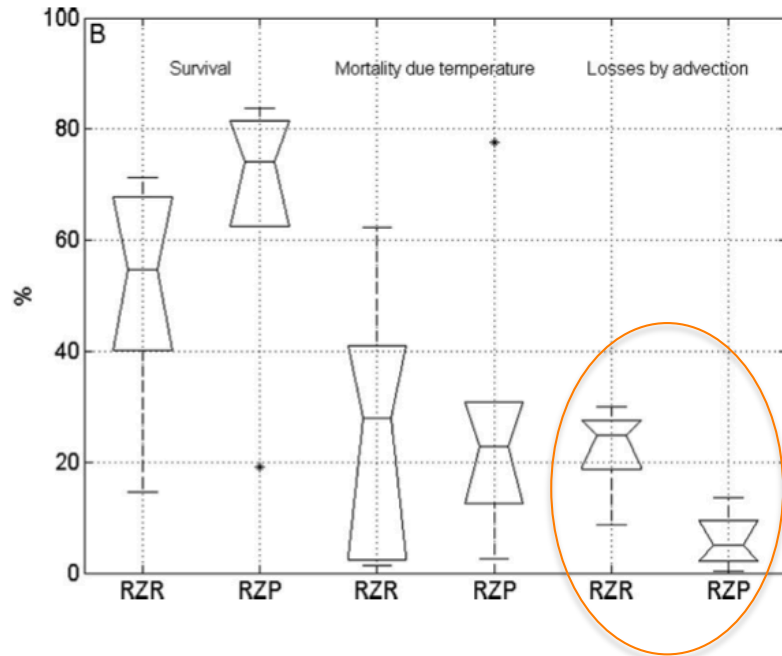


## Survival kernel: random spawning

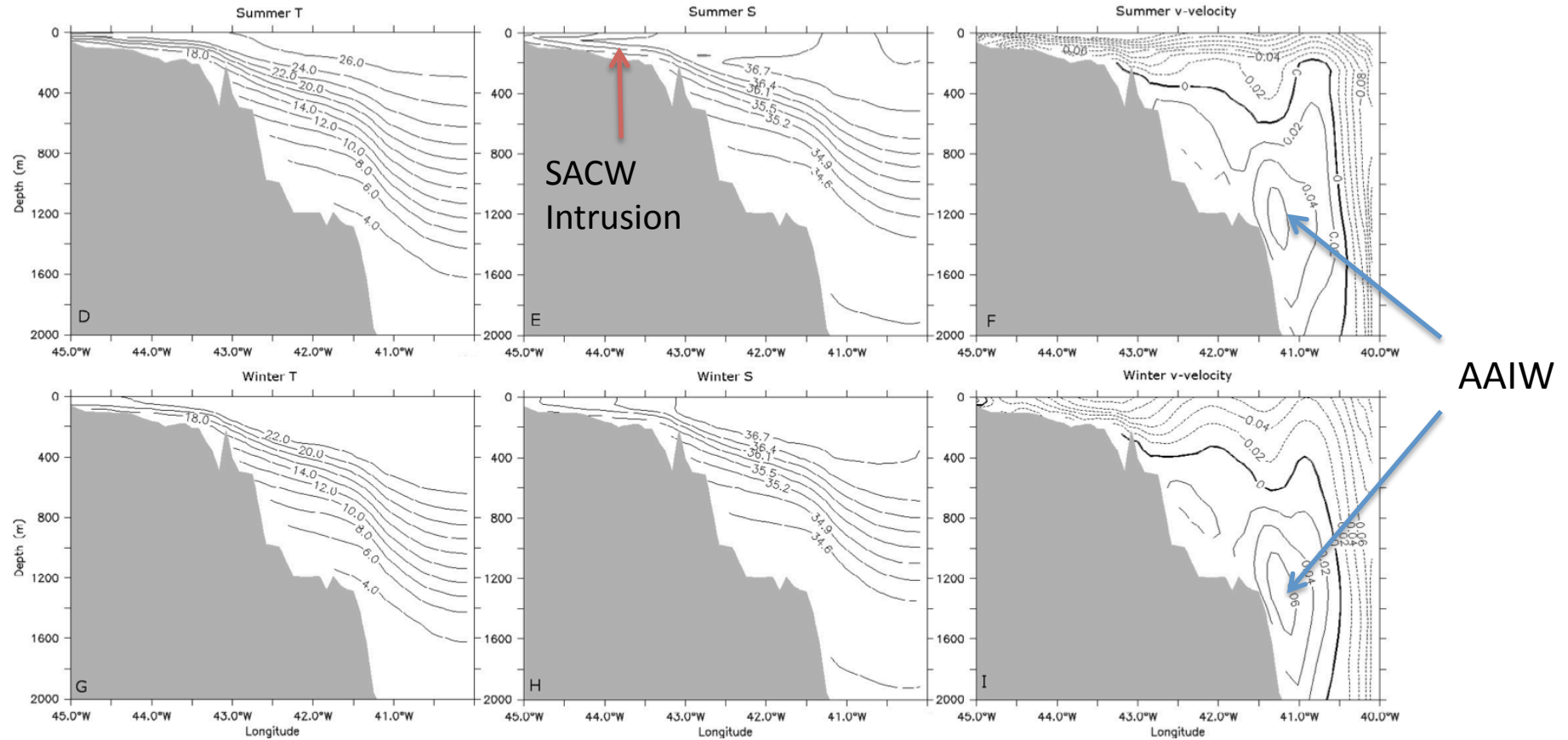


**ROMS and ICHTHYOP:**  
 horizontal resolution: 1/12° (~ 9.2 km)  
 30 sigma levels; 27 yrs; 10,000 eggs.

## Survival kernel: spawning habitats



# Modeled mean water temperature, salinity and meridional current velocities at 24°S latitude



- Summer stratification of temperature and salinity in the upper 200 m.
- The low salinity and high temperature Coastal Water.
- The warmer and more salinity Tropical Water.
- Cold (3°C to 6°C) Antarctic Intermediate Water.

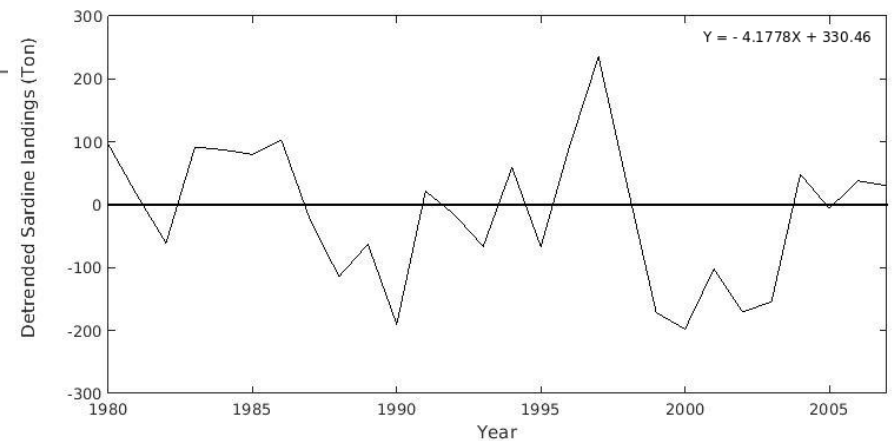
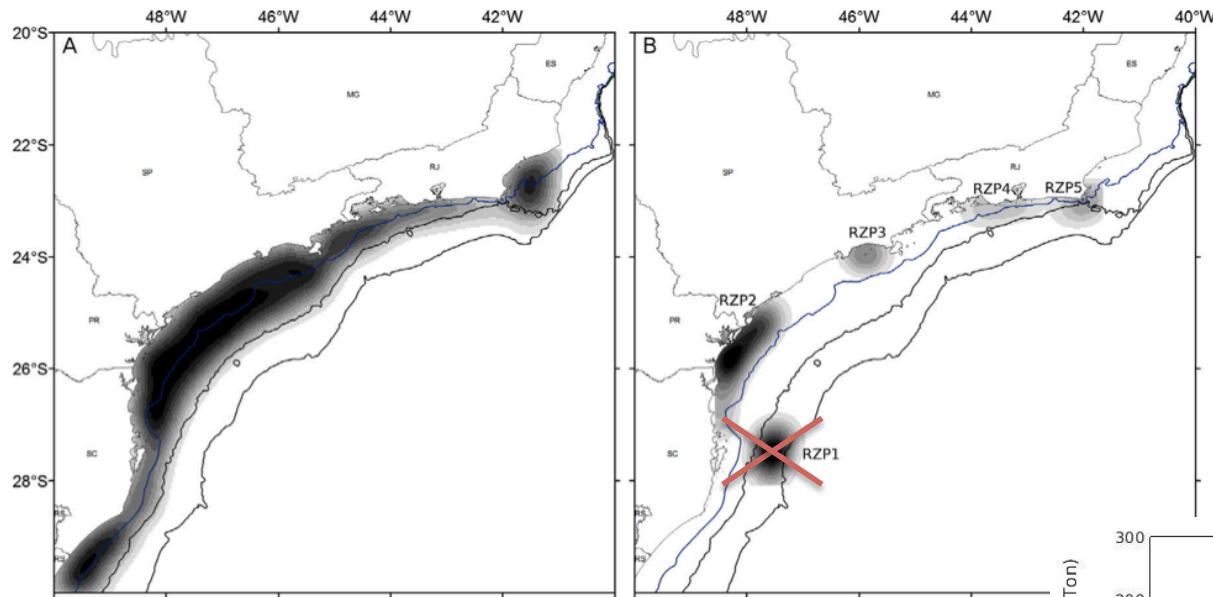


# Do the Brazilian sardine commercial landings respond to local ocean circulation?

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Time series of sardine landings: 1980 – 2007  
 Selected years: 12 min.; 6 max.

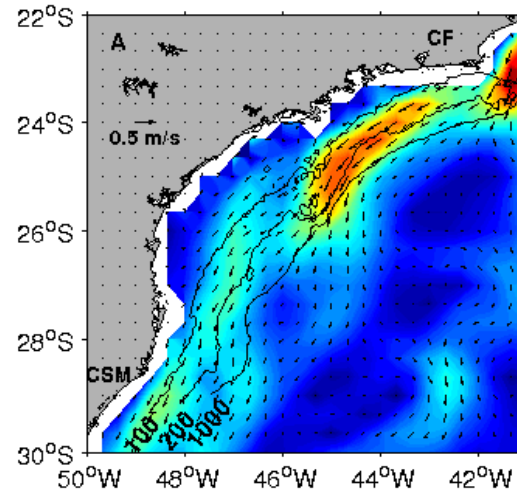


GEV: select years of max/min landings.  
 Weibull distribution was chosen based on the GEV shape parameter and tested with the one-tailed K–S statistic test ( $\alpha = 0.05$ ,  $n = 27$ ).

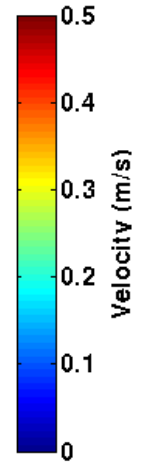
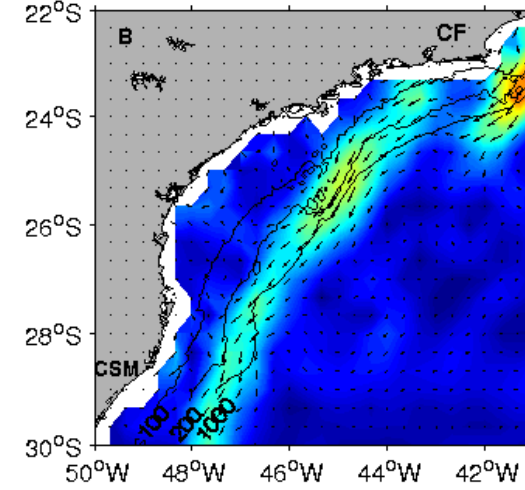
Summer

ROMS:  $1/12^\circ$  ( $\sim 9.2$  km).  
OSCAR:  $1/3^\circ$  ( $\sim 36.7$  km).

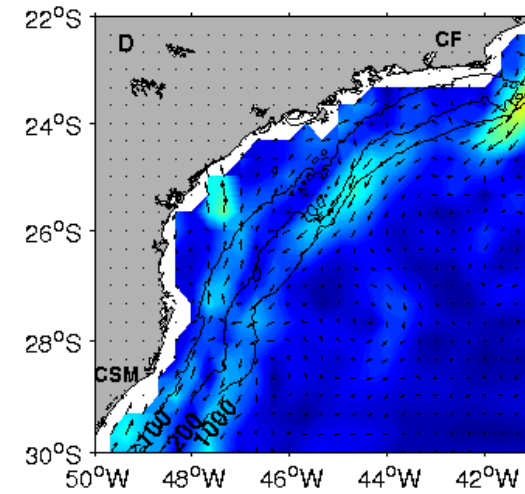
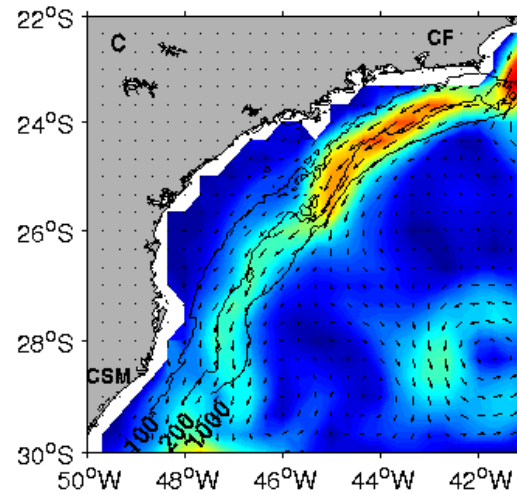
ROMS



OSCAR

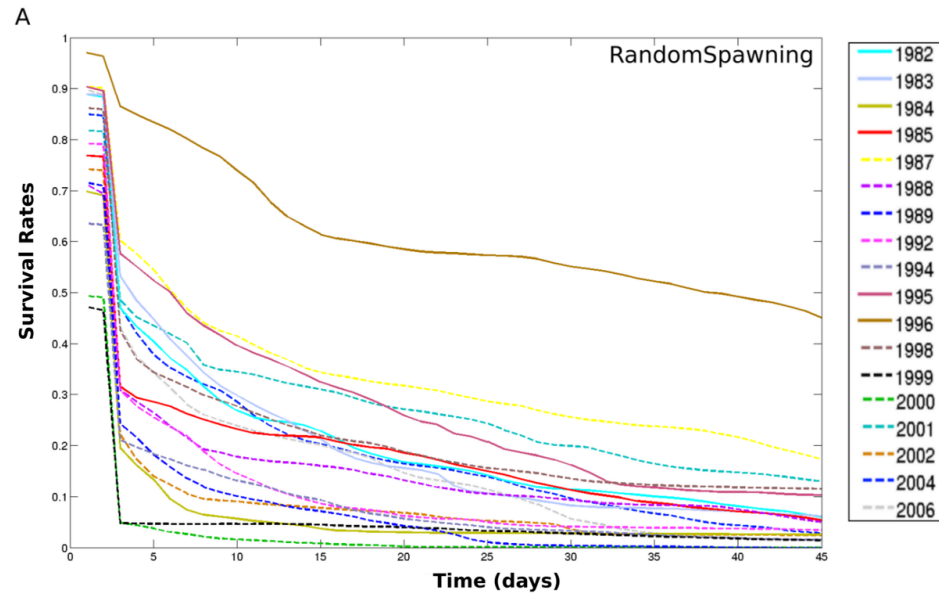


Winter

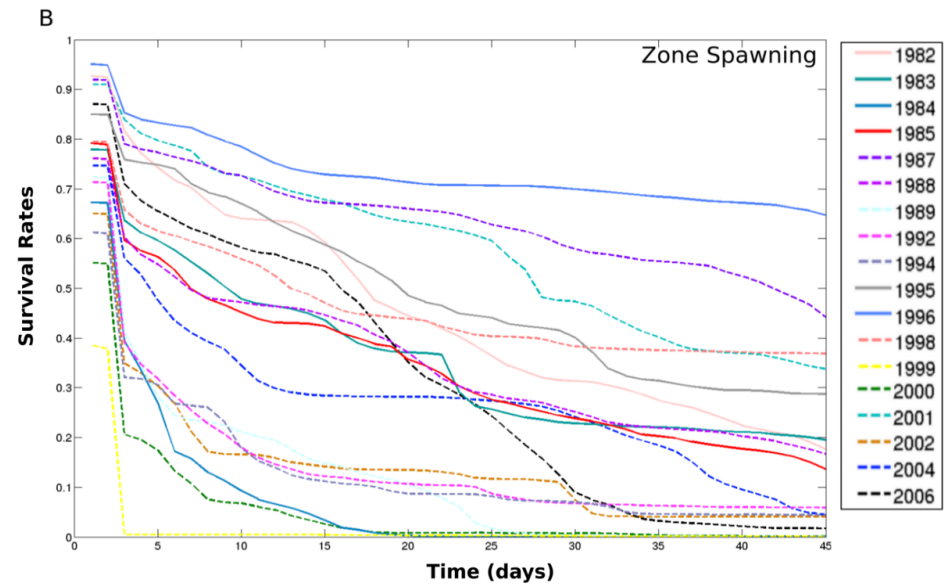


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Random spawning



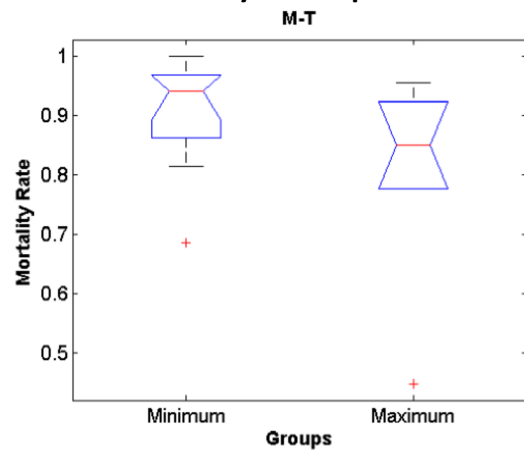
Zone spawning



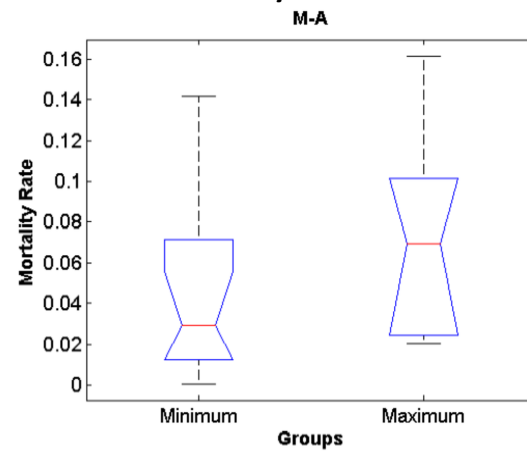
High early mortality consistent with observation.



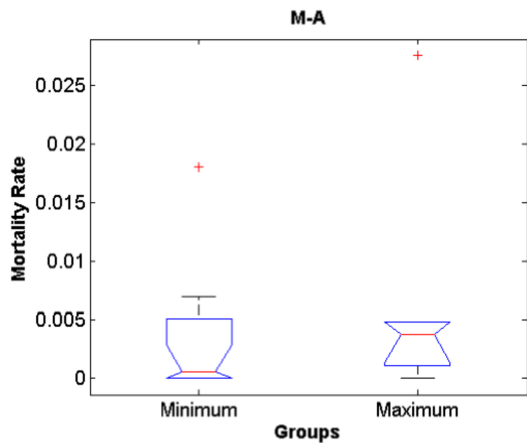
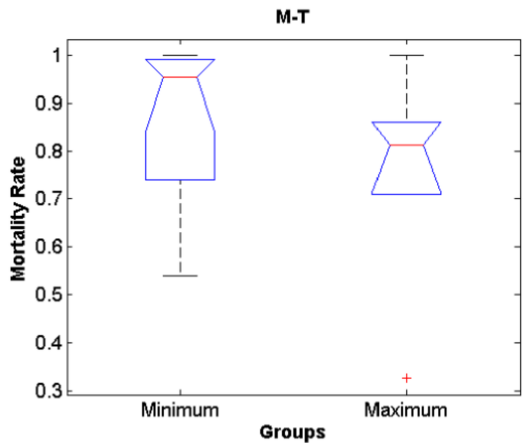
## Mortality temperature



## Mortality advection



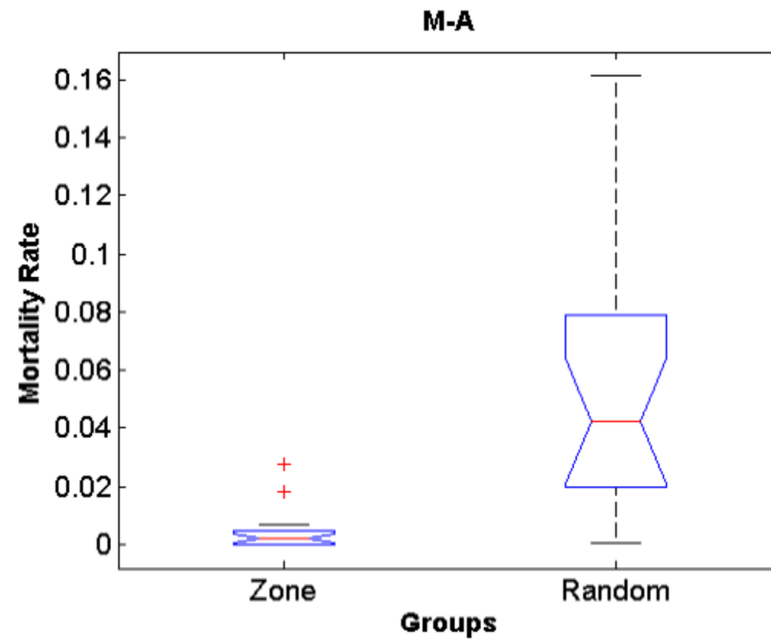
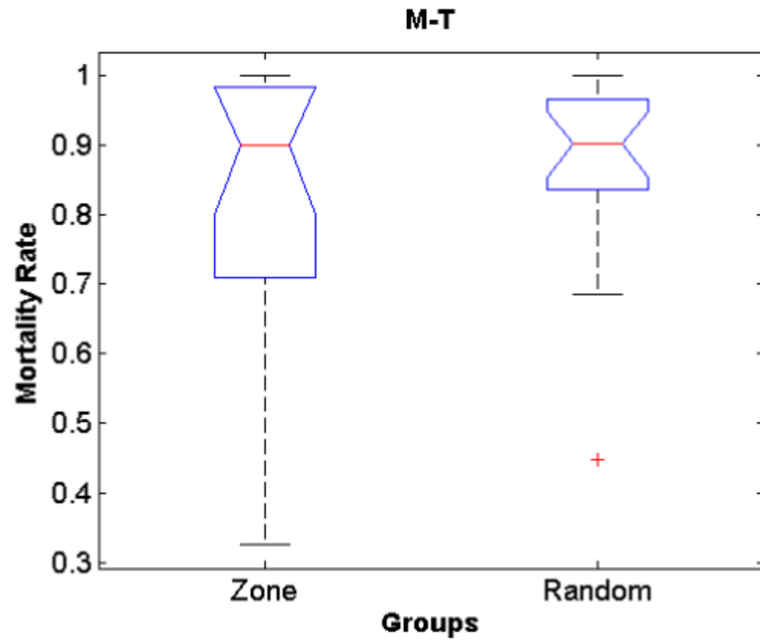
Random spawning: maximum and minimum landings.



Zones spawning: maximum and minimum landings.

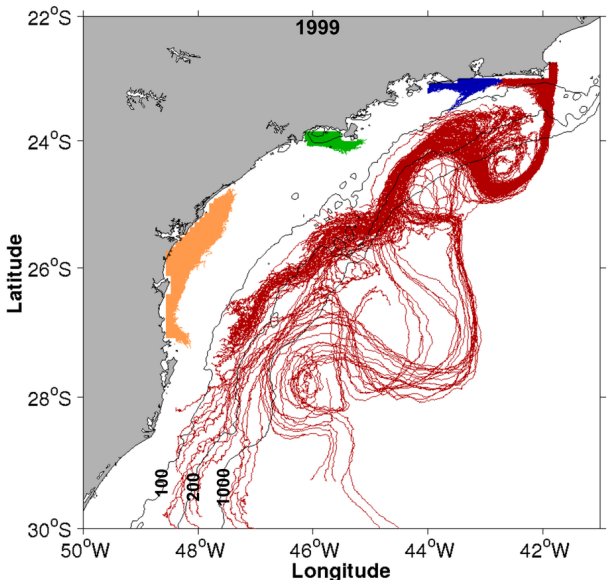
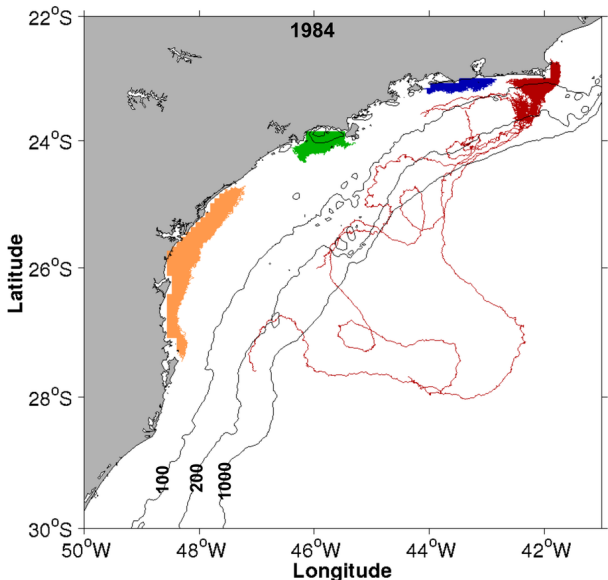
All years grouped: no differences between mortalities by temperature, but significant differences for advection.

**WHY?**

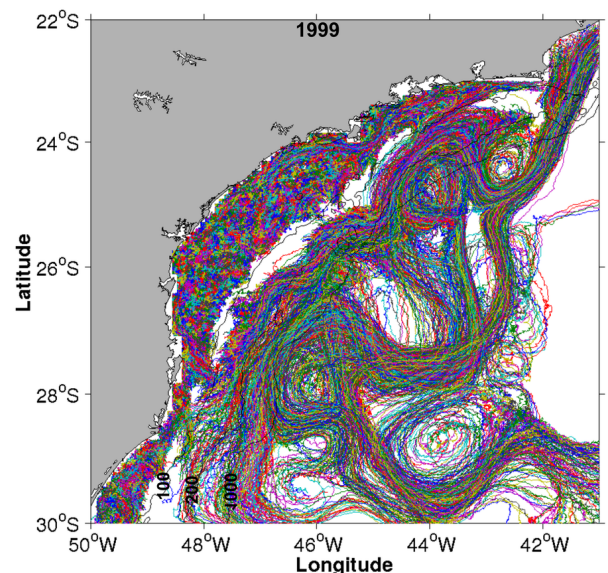
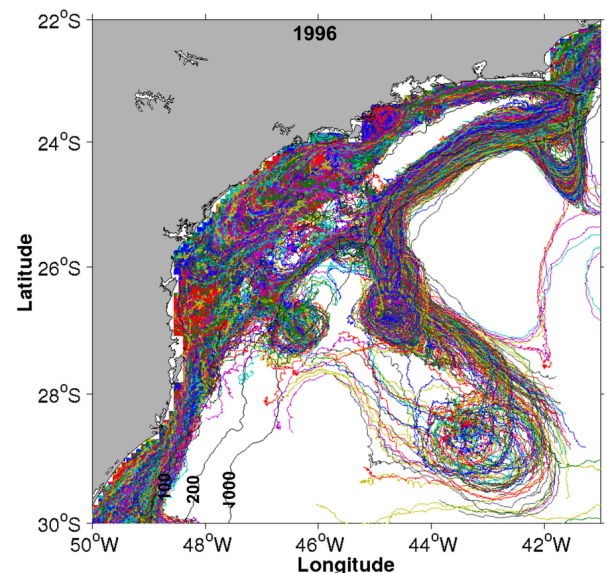


# ICHTHYOP simulations

Zone spawning



Random spawning



# What's next?

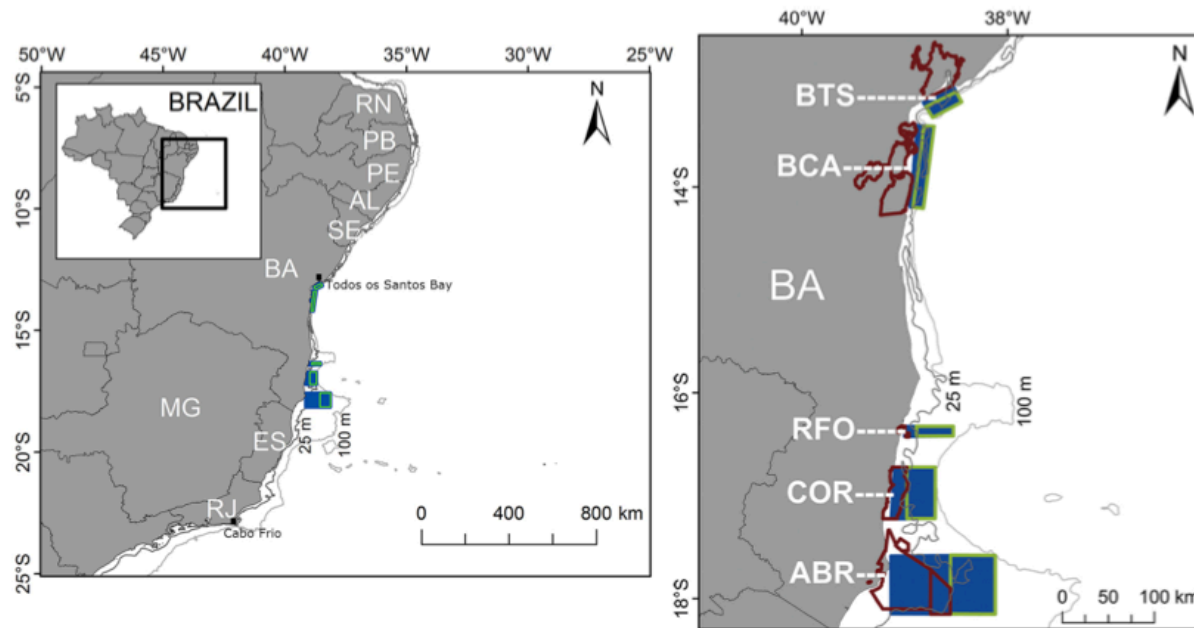
*Mycteroperca sp.* (grouper)

RESEARCH ARTICLE

## Connectivity of Marine Protected Areas and Its Relation with Total Kinetic Energy

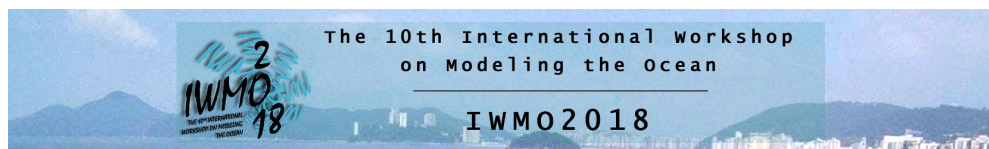
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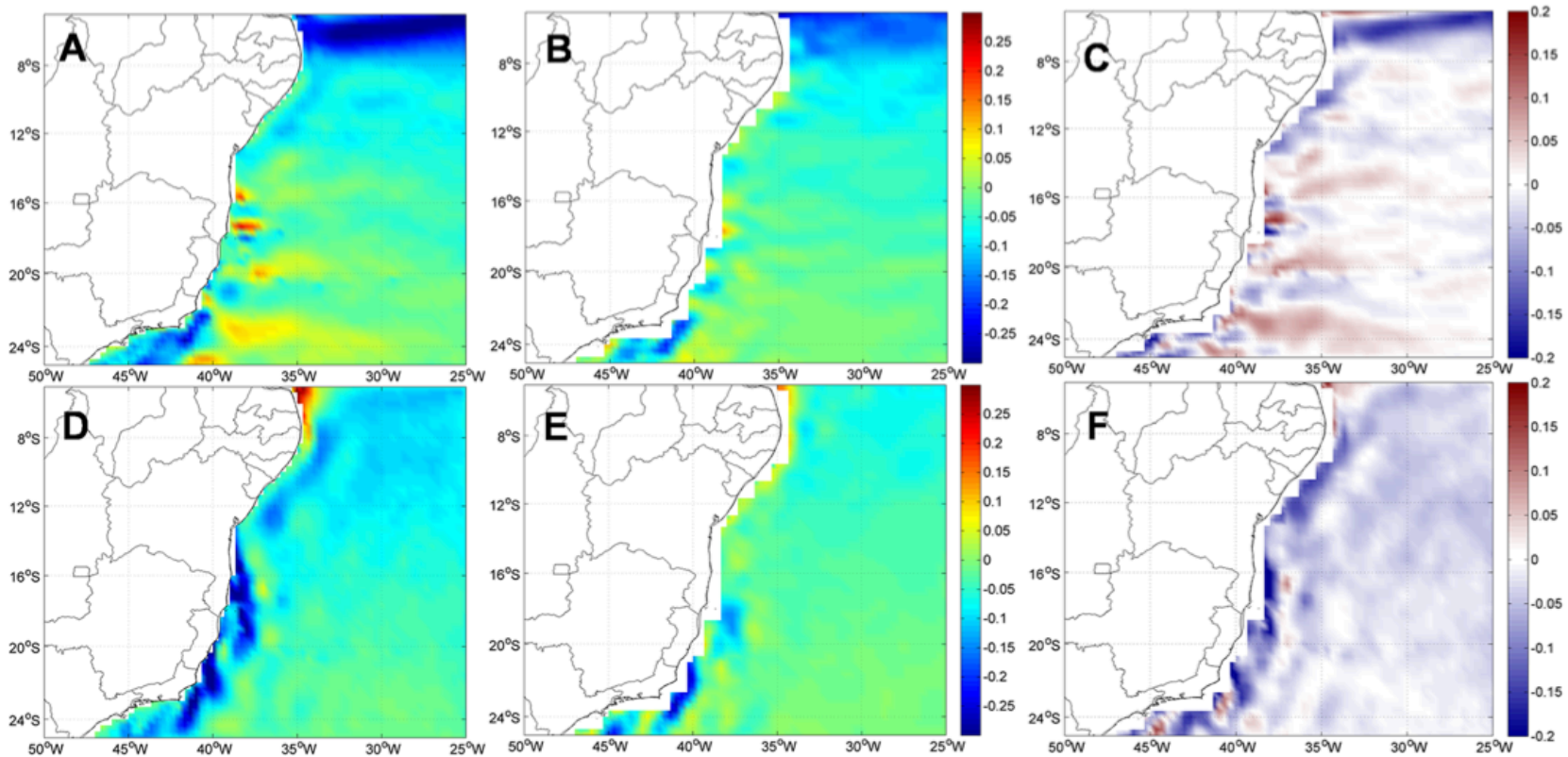
**Fig 1. Study area map with the domain of the hydrodynamic model on the left map.** The right map presents with detail the spawning areas (polygons outlined in light green), recruitment areas (polygons in navy blue), and MPAs shapes (polygons outlined in dark red). ABR = Marine National Park of Abrolhos and the Area of Environmental Protection (EPA) of Ponta da Baleia; COR = Marine Extractive Reserve of Corumbau; RFO = Municipal Park of Recife de Fora; BCA = EPA of Pratigi, EPA of Tinharé Islands and EPA of Camamu Bay; BTS = EPA of Todos os Santos Bay.

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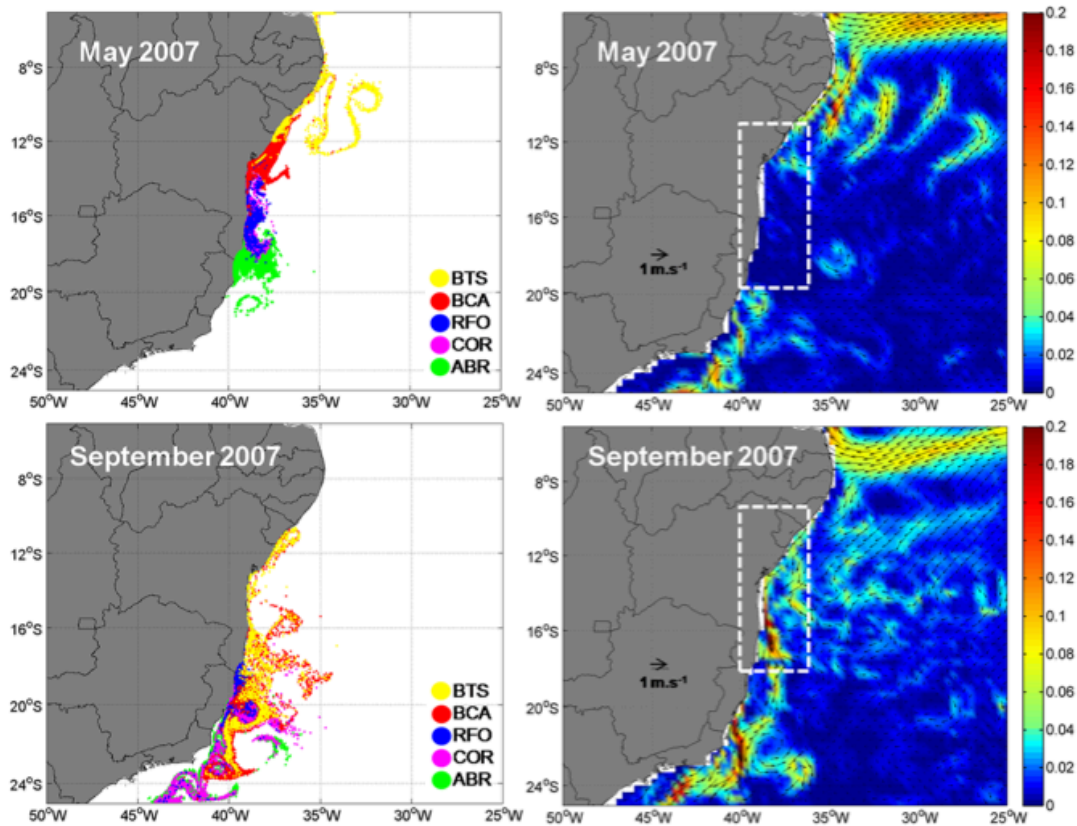
## ROMS:

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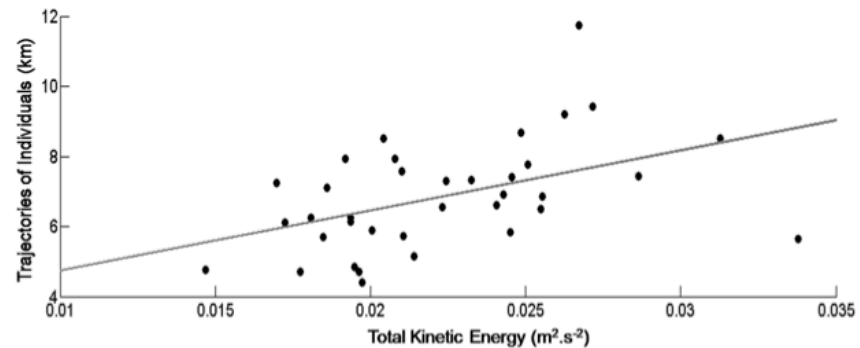
**Fig 3. Annual SSC means, in  $\text{m}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$ , of zonal component (U, above) and meridional component (V, below) from ROMS (A, D) and OSCAR (B, E), and their differences (ROMS—OSCAR, zonal C, meridional F).**





**Fig 8. Larval dispersal (left), KE ( $m^2.s^{-2}$ , right) and surface current vectors for May (top) and September (bottom) of 2007. The dashed areas highlight the region where the spawning and recruitment areas are located.**

$$R = 0.46 \quad (p = 0.0047)$$



**Fig 10. Monthly means of KE, in  $m^2.s^{-2}$  and larvae total dispersal distance, in km.**

## Kruskal-Wallis ANOVA significance level of 5%

self-recruitment

recruitment

Months

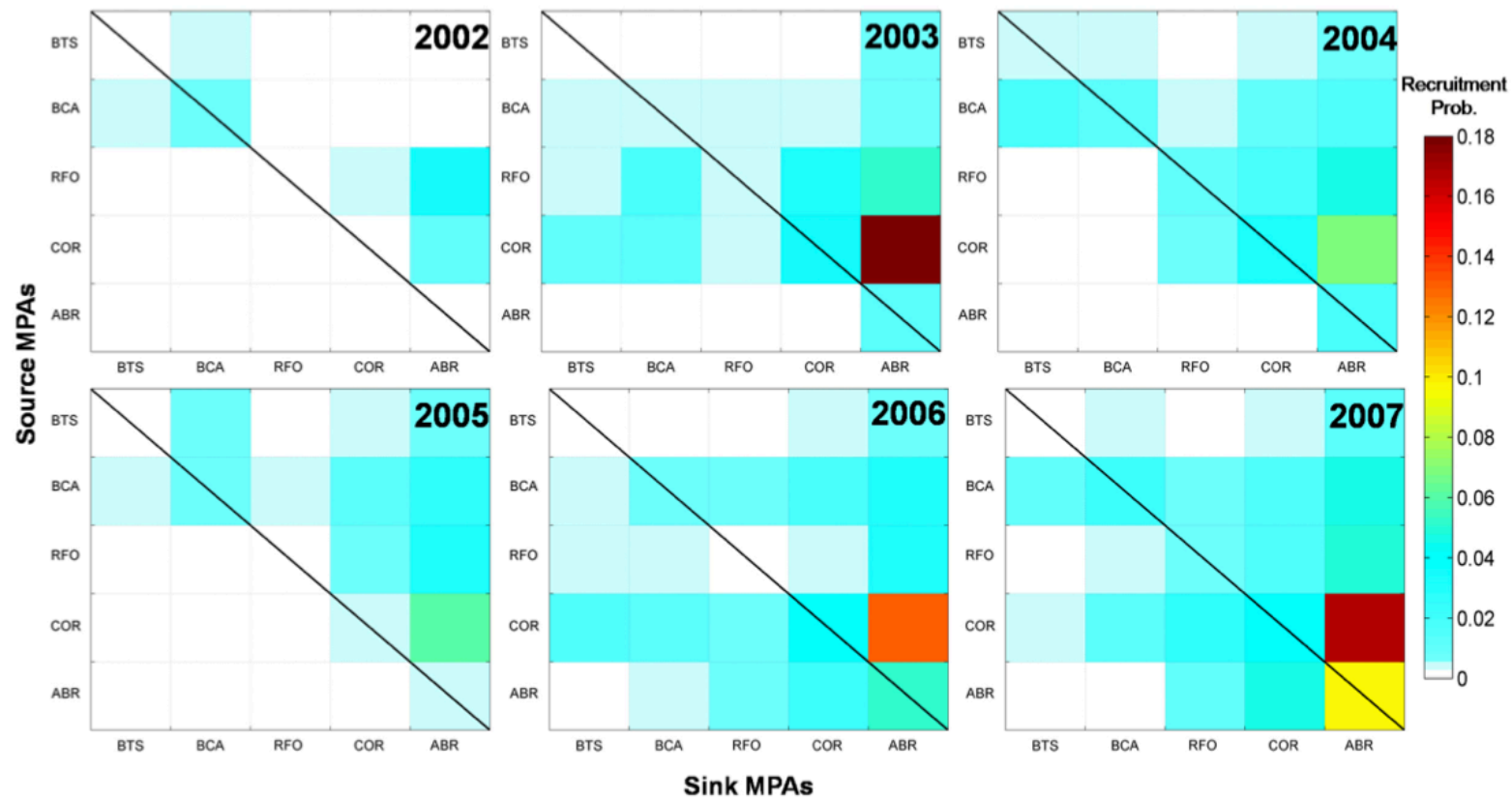
0.4489

0.4606

Interannual

0.546

**0.0072**







*Thank you!*

