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Basic training course on ocean acidification

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14-19 March 2022

Capacity Building



Minimizing and addressing ocean acidification



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Regeringskansliet



+ *in kind* contributions

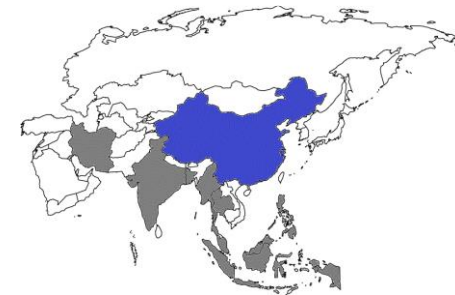
Phase I – basic trainings

2014 – Brazil, Chile

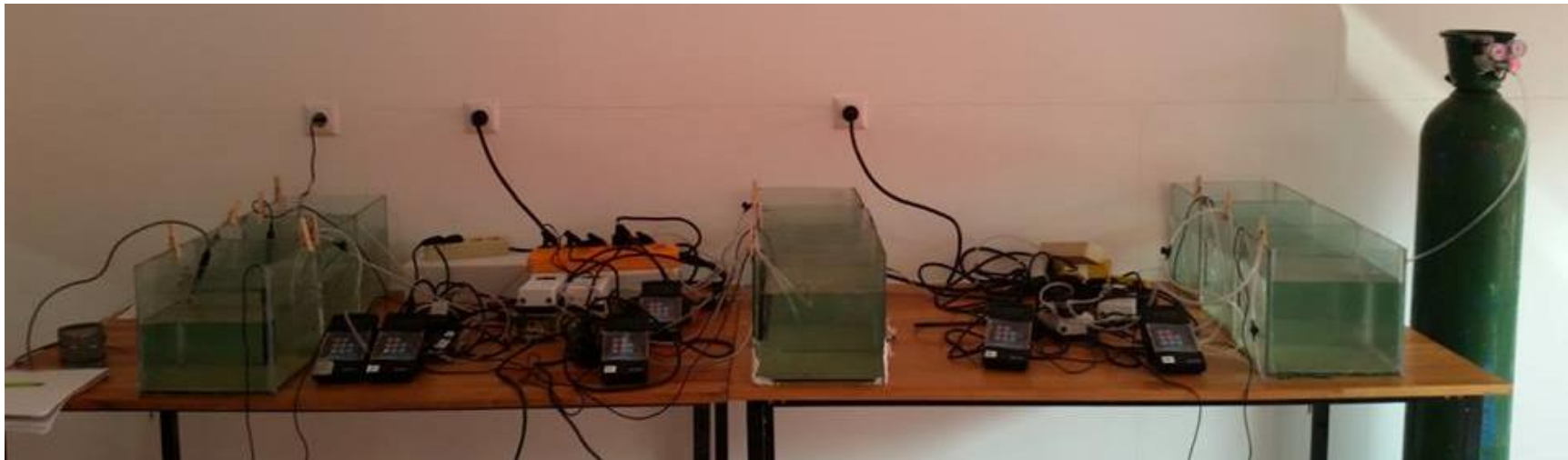
2015 – China, South Africa

2016 – Mozambique, Tasmania, Mauritius, Mexico

2017 – Senegal, Kuwait, Mauritius, Fiji, Costa Rica



Reality check



Capacity evaluation - 2016



INT Expert Meeting
(Monaco October 2016)

Build a questionnaire

Distribute to existing network



Extend the database

Identify needs, challenges
and opportunities

Questionnaire

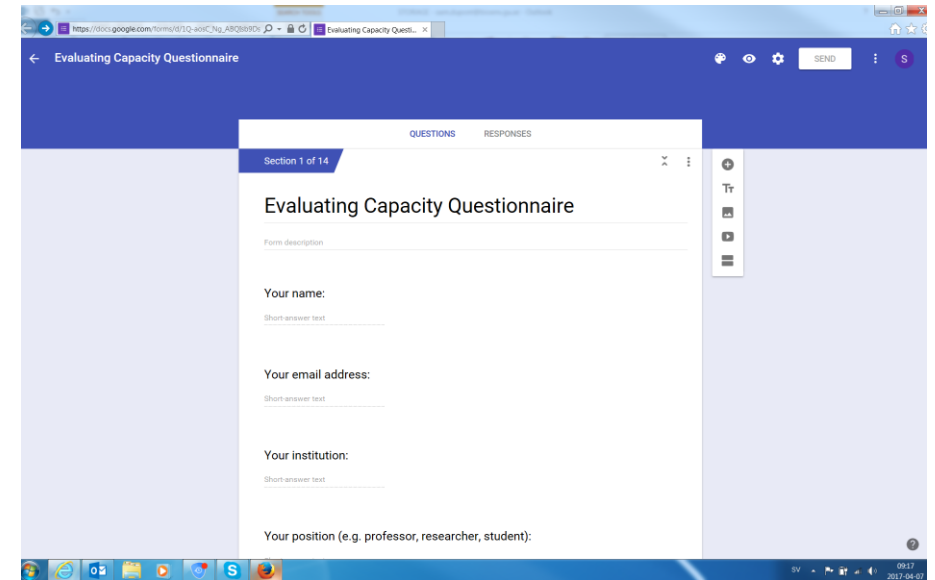
Expertise & Motivation

Infrastructure, equipment & human resources

Regional strength and marine resources

Challenges & Barriers

Other resources & contacts



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Section 1 of 14

Evaluating Capacity Questionnaire

Form description

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Your email address:
Short answer text

Your institution:
Short answer text

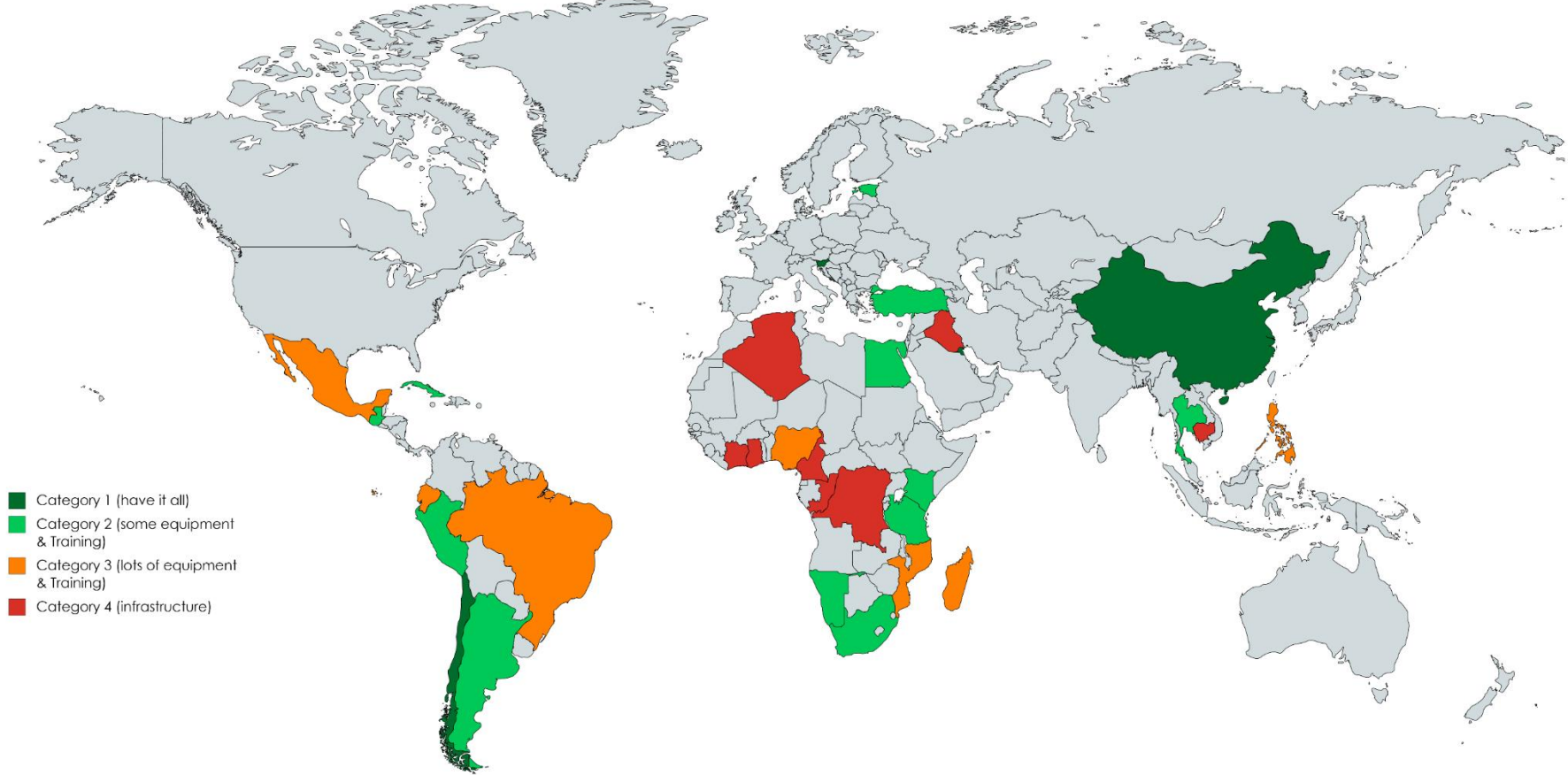
Your position (e.g. professor, researcher, student):

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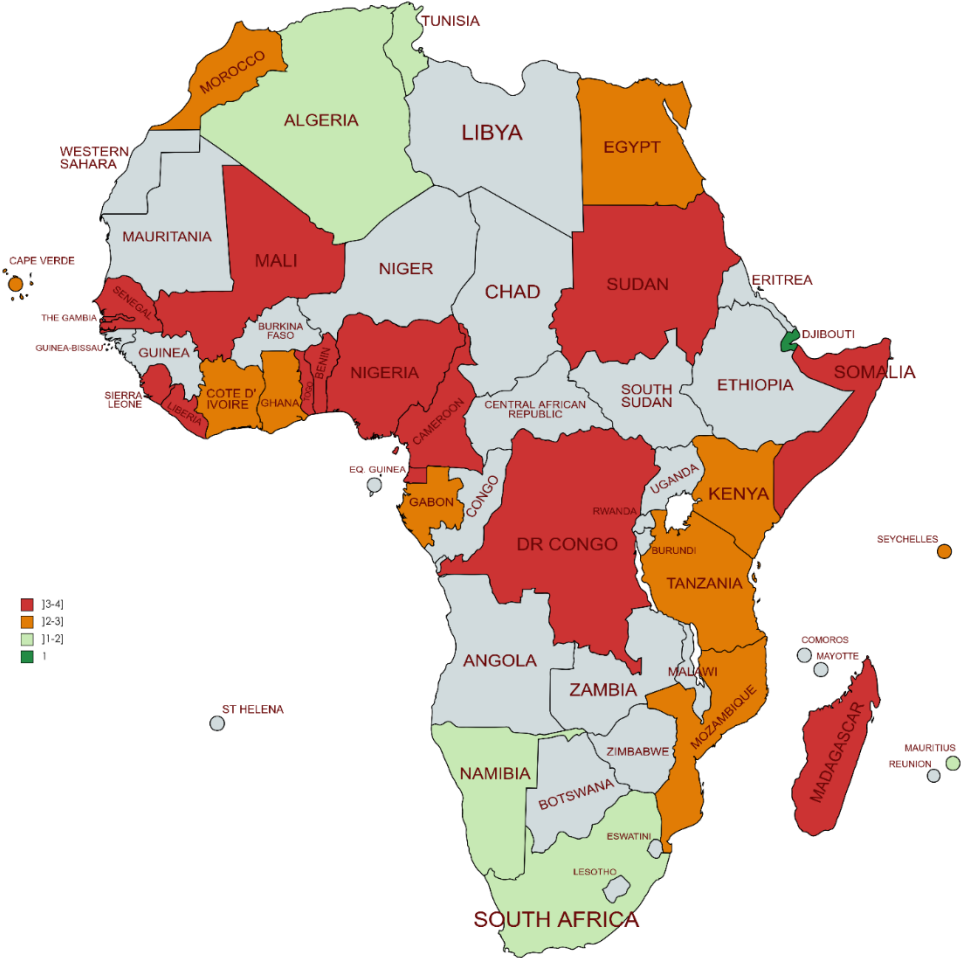
Categories

Categorie		Have	Need
 #1		Everything	Collaboration, Communication
 #2		Infrastructure, most equipment	Some equipment (e.g. kit), Advanced training
 #3		Infrastructure, little/no equipment	Most equipment (e.g. balance), Basic training
 #4		No Infrastructure, little/no equipment	Everything Basic training

First evaluation – 2017



New evaluation (2021)



Average score: $3.05 \pm 0.16 / 4$

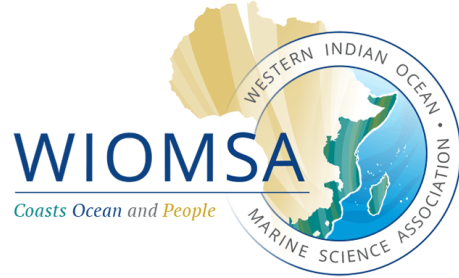
Level I training, e.g. India, January 2020



Basic level OA training course in Kolkata, India, 25-29 January 2020 hosted by local Indian institute



Level II training, e.g. Kenya, October 2020



WIOMSA – Ocean Acidification measurements in the Western Indian Ocean

REGIONAL TRAINING
COURSE ON OCEAN
ACIDIFICATION
EXPERIMENTAL SET UP
21-25 OCTOBER 2019,
Mombasa Kenya



Level II training, e.g. Kenya, October 2020

Best Practices & Joined experiment

Fertilization assays to study ocean acidification
S. Dupont, University of Gothenburg
[sam.dupont@gu.se]

Introduction – Best Practices

Investigating ocean acidification requires to manipulate and measure the carbonate chemistry of seawater. During an experiment, temperature, salinity and two parameters of the carbonate system should be measured regularly. Best practices are available.

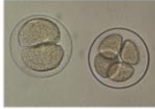
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<https://www.iaea.org/sites/default/files/18/06/oa-guide-to-best-practices.pdf>

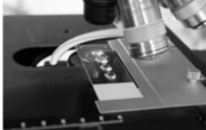
IOC document on methodology for the SDG-14.3
http://www.ioe.unesco.org/index.php?option=com_oe&task=viewDocumentRecord&docID=21938

In the context of a biological experiment, the easiest and cheapest approach is to measure temperature, salinity, pH and any other parameter of the carbonate system that is available in your institution. Ideally, pH should be measured on the total scale using TRIS-

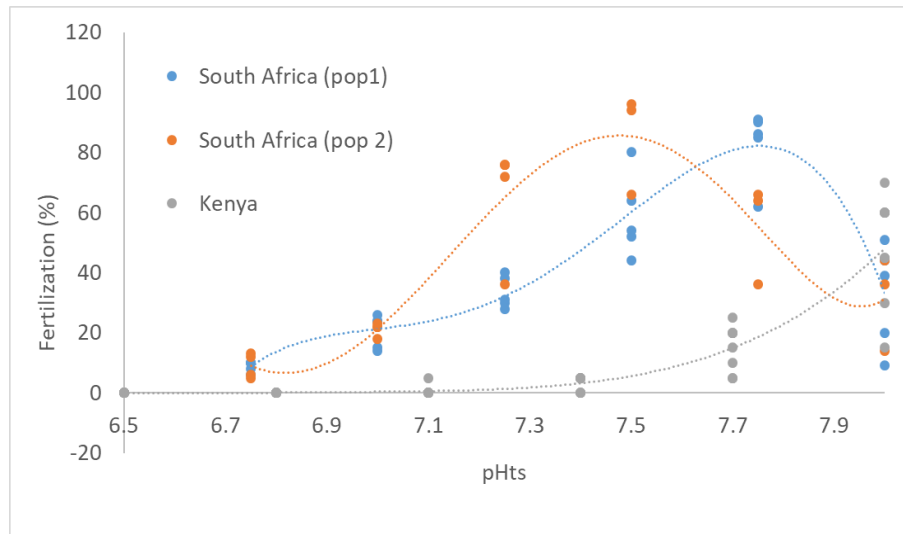
In other species, the difference is not that obvious. It is then safer to wait for the first cell division (1-3h depending on species, temperature, etc.)



If the difference is not easy to spot, it is better to pipette the eggs out of the experimental vial and score under the microscope.



To have reliable data, you need to count at least 100 eggs per replicate. This is the data that you can use for your analysis. As the statistical analysis is highly depending on the design, this will not be covered in this document.

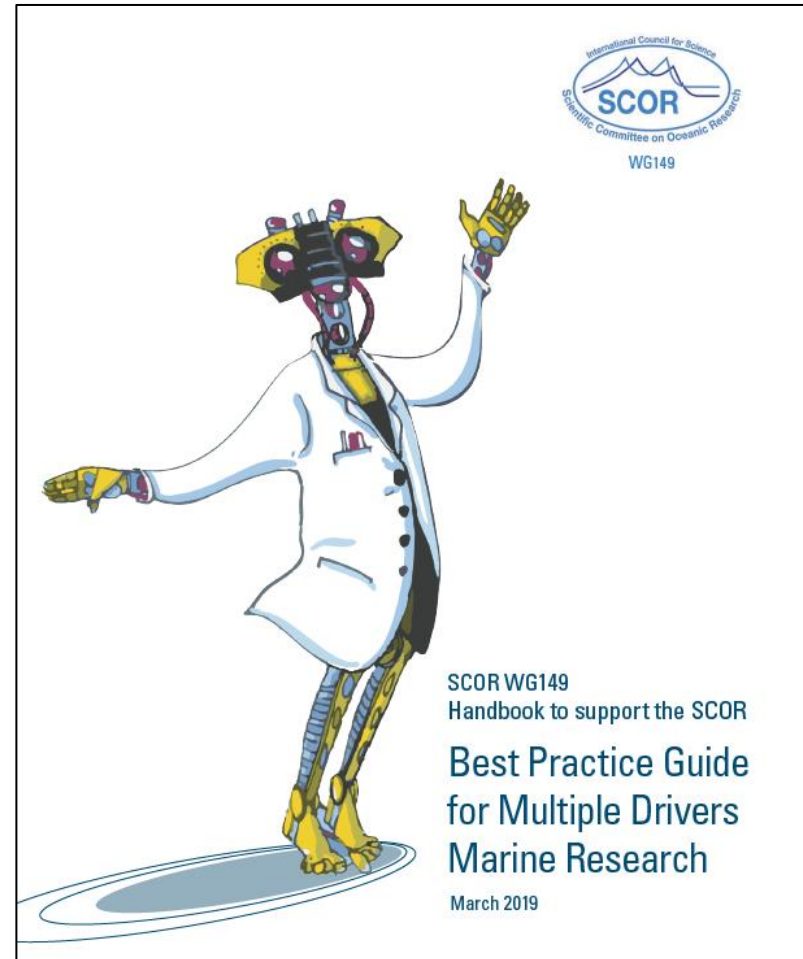


First data
&
First paper for WIOMSA journal

Level III training, e.g. Monaco, June 2019

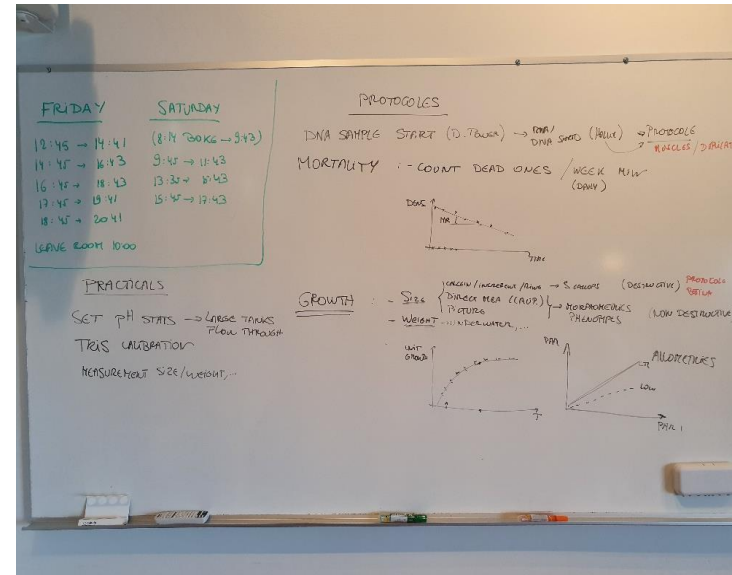


Multiple stressors



Level IV Collaborative research; e.g. Sweden, August 2019

IAEA CRP (2018-2022): Evaluating the Impacts of Ocean Acidification on Seafood - A Global Approach



Level IV Collaborative research; e.g. Sweden, August 2019

Evaluating the impacts of ocean acidification on seafood – a global approach¶

Experimental design & Methodologies¶

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Introduction¶

→ This document is a summary of the discussion held in Sweden (August 2019) during the first research coordination meeting for the CRP project on “Evaluating the impacts of ocean acidification on seafood”.

alkalinity, accumulation of excretion products, or accumulation of microbes, as a consequence of biological activity. These changes can have a feedback effect on the tested organism and be dependent on pH/pCO₂. Under those conditions, the observed effects may not be due to the direct effect of pH/pCO₂ but an indirect effect due to experimental artefacts.¶

→ Several parameters should be taken into account while designing your experimental unit (Figure 3).¶

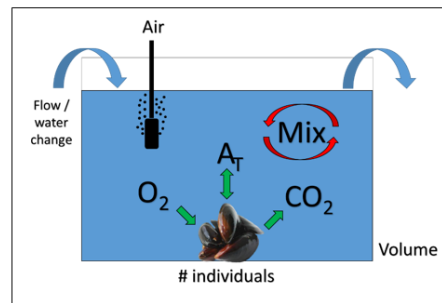
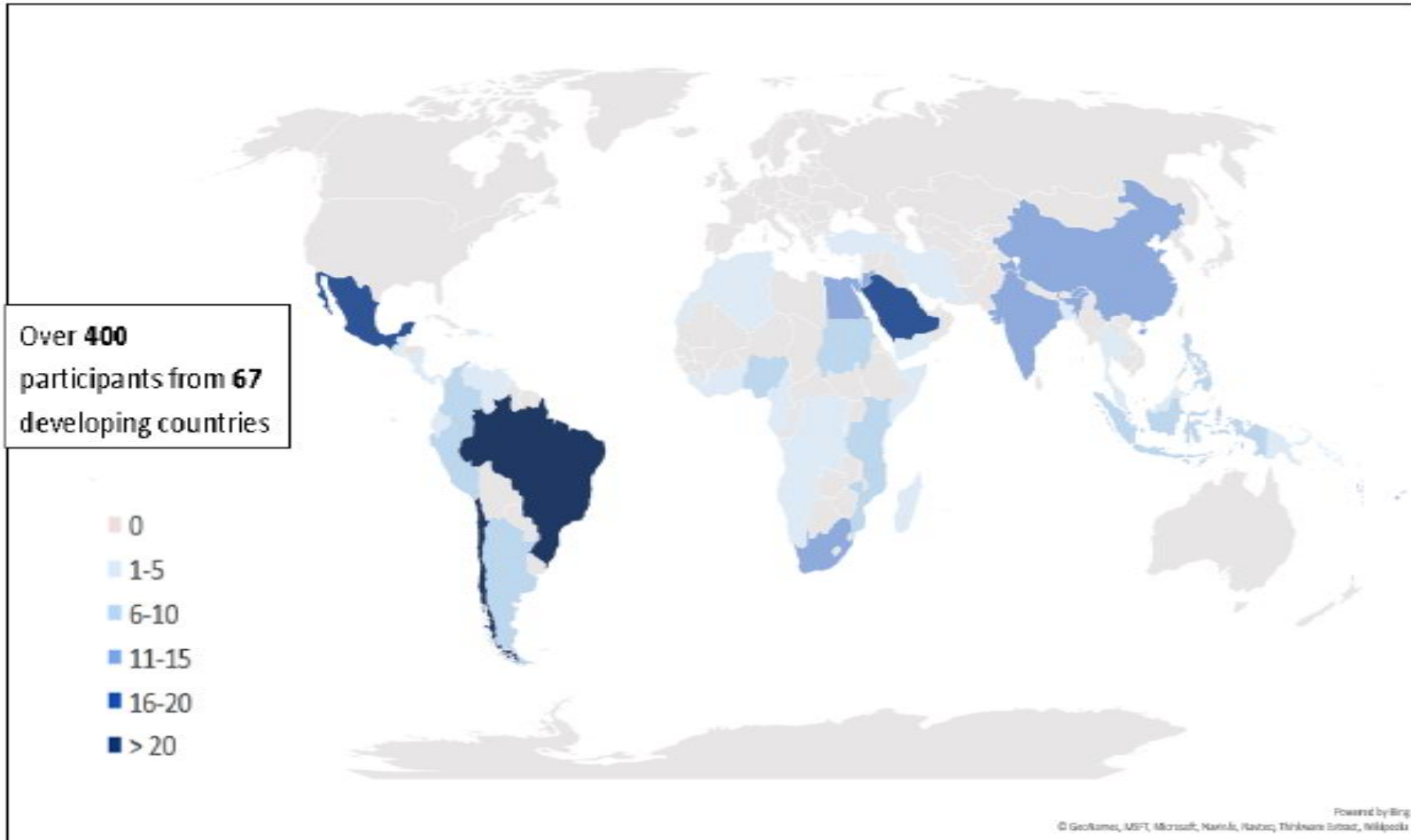


Figure 3 – Parameters influencing the seawater quality in an aquarium system¶

✓ **Tested species:** every organism has a specific physiology and has the potential to influence the seawater chemistry in a different way. Key factors to take into account are the size and the metabolism (bigger organisms and faster metabolism will consume more oxygen and produce more CO₂), photosynthetic ability (consumption of CO₂ and production of oxygen), ability to calcify (and then have an influence on seawater carbonate chemistry), etc. Some species will also require some structure in the

Where help is provided



North East Atlantic hub of the Global Ocean Acidification Observing Network



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OA-ICC Capacity Building - Evaluation

Part I – Bibliographic analysis (HBA – Carla Edworthy)

Methods

✓ 8 trainings – 2015 – 2017

○ Cape Town	South Africa	2015	Level I	26 participants
○ Xiamen	China	2015	Level I	28 participants
○ Flic en Flac	Mauritius	2016	Level I	20 participants
○ Ensenada	Mexico	2016	Level I	20 participants
○ Inhaca	Mozambique	2016	Level II (Bio)	16 participants
○ Mauritius	Mauritius	2017	Level II (Che)	6 participants
○ Dakar	Senegal	2017	Level I	18 participants
○ Aqaba	Jordan	2018	Level I	25 participants

✓ Literature search for 104 individual participants

[10 years before the course – present]

Google scholar, scopus, research gate

Divide into "OA" and "not OA"

General database – Summary [All]

BEFORE

AFTER

Publishing on OA



23.8% new authors
in the field

% publications on OA

6.31±2.33

10.29±2.21

OA-ICC Capacity Building - Evaluation

Part II – Learning outcome - Science (HBA – Celeste Sánchez Noguera)

Methods

✓ Pre- and post-tests

Question #2
Name: _____
Read the following text and provide an answer.

Dear Dr,

I am a journalist working for a local newspaper and I would like to write an article on jellyfish. These last few years, peoples have been complaining about the presence of jellyfish in the area and in particular in the Gullmarfjord, making swimming uncomfortable. One of your colleagues told me that it may be a consequence of ocean acidification. I checked the scientific literature but found little relevant information. I found two short articles (see below) with different conclusions. I would be grateful if you can have a look and guide me.

Can you please have a look and help us to understand which of the two scientists is correct?

Thanking you in advance

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Article 1: Increase in jellyfish abundance in the Gullmarfjord
John Nobody (2010)

Using data obtained since 1990 from the continuous plankton recorder, I plotted the relative abundance of jellyfish during the Spring bloom in the Gullmarfjord (Figure 1). A significant linear relationship ($p < 0.001$) was observed between abundance of jellyfish and time following the equation:

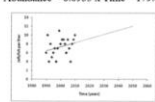
$$\text{Abundance} = 0.0935 \times \text{Time} - 179.63$$


Figure 1 – relationship and prediction of jellyfish abundance in the Gullmarfjord between 1990 and 2050.

This demonstrates a significant increase in occurrence of jellyfish with time. Using this equation (dashed line on Figure 1), I have calculated that the abundance of jellyfish will double by 2050 (12 jellyfish per liter) as compared with 1990 (6 jellyfish per liter).

This increased abundance is significantly correlated with other parameters of the seawater such as pH decrease due to ocean acidification. We can then conclude that it is very likely that ocean acidification is responsible for the observed trend and that if pH continue to decrease in the near future (pH predicted to decrease from 8.1 to 7.7), more important jellyfish blooms will occur in the Gullmarfjord.

Article 2: Decreased pH does not affect growth of jellyfish
Jack Bearegard (2011)

Nobody (2010) claims that decreased pH due to ocean acidification may be responsible for the Spring bloom observed in the Gullmarfjord and that future predicted pH changes (from 8.1 to 7.7) may increase this trend.

This hypothesis was tested using jellyfish collected in the Gullmarfjord. Twenty jellyfish were collected in February 2010. Ten were kept in control pH condition (pH 8.1) and 10 were kept under low pH conditions (pH 7.7) for a period of 2 weeks. Animals were fed during the whole experiment ad libitum. Animals were measured at the beginning and the end of the experiment and a growth rate was calculated as the gain in size in mm per day (Figure 1).

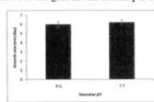
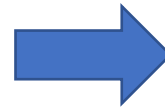


Figure 1 – Impact of pH on jellyfish growth rate

No significant difference between the two pH was observed ($p = 0.876$). We can then conclude that pH does not have any impact on jellyfish growth and that effects observed by Nobody (2010) may be attributed to the change of another environmental factor such as temperature increase due to global warming.

Which scientist is right and why? Explain your thinking (1 page max)



- ✓ % correct answers
- ✓ # of scientific concepts [/7]
- ✓ # science keywords [/35]

Methods

- ✓ 6 trainings – 2015 – 2018

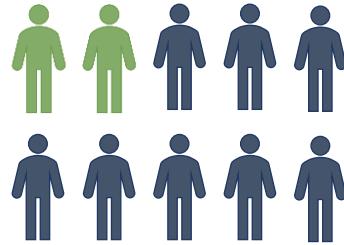
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Summary

BEFORE

AFTER

% correct answers



scientific concepts



scientific words



Success stories



2016 – First contact: High CO₂ world & GOA-ON (Tasmania)

2016 – **Basic training** in Ensenada (Mexico)

2017 – **Experiment** in Sweden (KVA grant)

2017 – **Host** for basic training in Costa Rica + first biological experiment

2018 – **Trainer** in Sweden + **Mentee**, exchange mentor (Vargas) + New equipment and development of research (**grant**), **Advanced training** in Monaco

2019 - **Training** on Multiple Stressors in Monaco, **Lead** CRP project for Costa Rica, **Founder** of the Central America network and **Host** of the first meeting in Costa Rica

2020 – **Steering Committee** - LAOCA

2022 – **Host** for the advanced communication training

Opportunities: Level 1-2 – Multiple stressors

Basic Training Course on Multiple Stressors

Monaco (IAEA), Villefranche-sur-Mer (LOV)



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Check: <https://news-oceanacidification-icc.org/>

Opportunities: Level 3 – Meta-analyses





ANALYSIS

<https://doi.org/10.1038/s41558-021-01269-2>

nature
climate change



Upper environmental $p\text{CO}_2$ drives sensitivity to ocean acidification in marine invertebrates

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Synthesis of Thresholds of Ocean Acidification Impacts on Echinoderms

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Opportunities: Level 3 - communication

