

# Equipe ETDA (Efflorescences Toxiques et Diversité Algale) UMR Ecosystèmes Lagunaires 5119 CNRS UM2



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## Les efflorescences

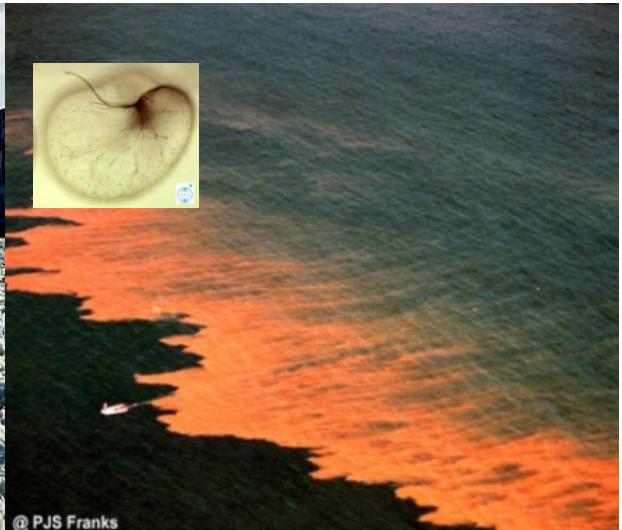
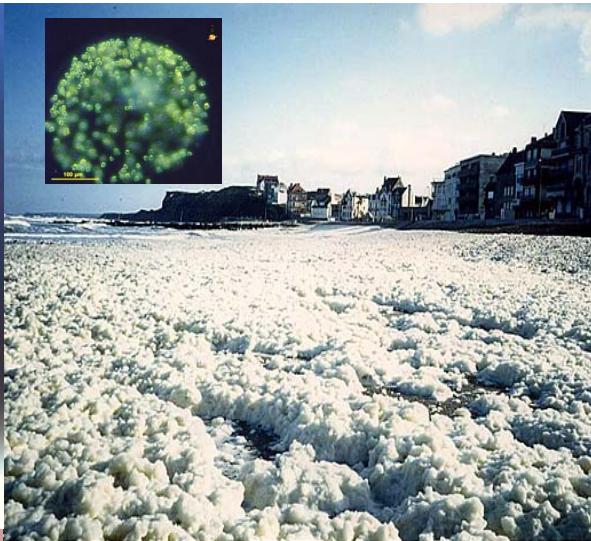
Prolifération massive d'organismes phytoplanctoniques lorsque les conditions environnementales leur sont favorables...

(Smayda, 1997)

# Cette prolifération peut aboutir à des phénomènes d'eaux rouges



Photo Vaquer



@ PJS Franks



Red Tide in Kat O, Hong Kong (January 2001)



# Les efflorescences de microalgues nuisibles (Harmful Algal Blooms)

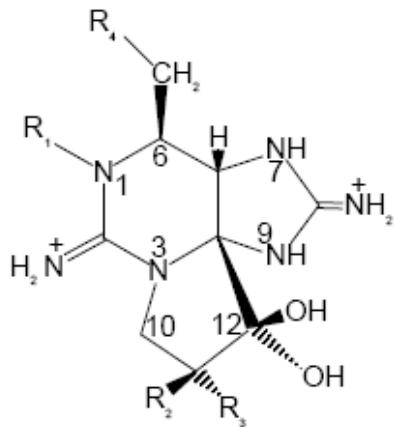
1- anoxies, NH<sub>3</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>S

2- Intoxications (PSP, ASP, DSP... nécrose, mortalité)



# Les toxines paralysantes

*Alexandrium spp.*



Saxitoxine

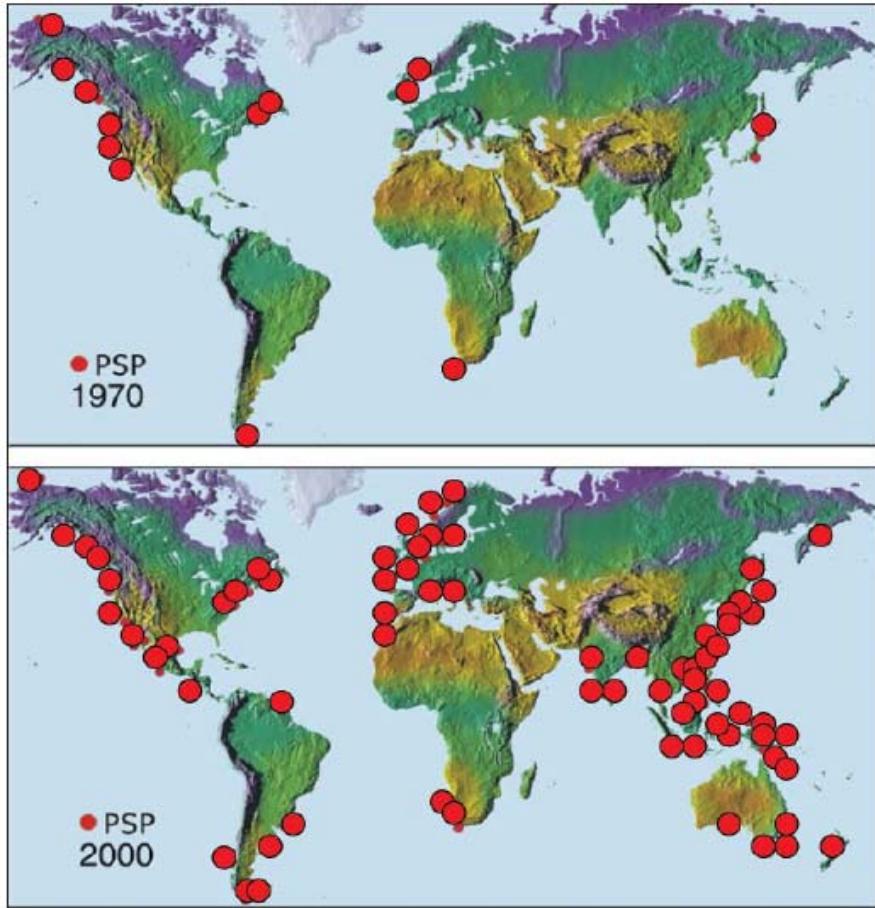
				Toxines Carbamate	Toxines N-Sulfocarbamoyle	Toxines Décarbamoyle (dc)	
R <sub>1</sub>	R <sub>2</sub>	R <sub>3</sub>	R <sub>4</sub>	-O NH <sub>2</sub>    O	-O NHSO <sub>3</sub>    O	-OH	
H	H	H		STX	301,31	dcSTX	258,28
H	H	OSO <sub>3</sub>		GTX2	396,36	dcGTX2	353,33
H	OSO <sub>3</sub>	H		GTX3	396,36	dcGTX3	353,33
OH	H	H		NEO	317,31	B2(GTX6)	396,36
OH	H	OSO <sub>3</sub>		GTX1	412,36	C3	491,41
OH	OSO <sub>3</sub>	H		GTX4	412,36	C4	491,41

- Ingestion de coquillages contaminés (seuil à 80µEqg STX/100g chair)
- Symptômes : 5-20 min après ingestion, peut entraîner la mort par paralysie des muscles respiratoires

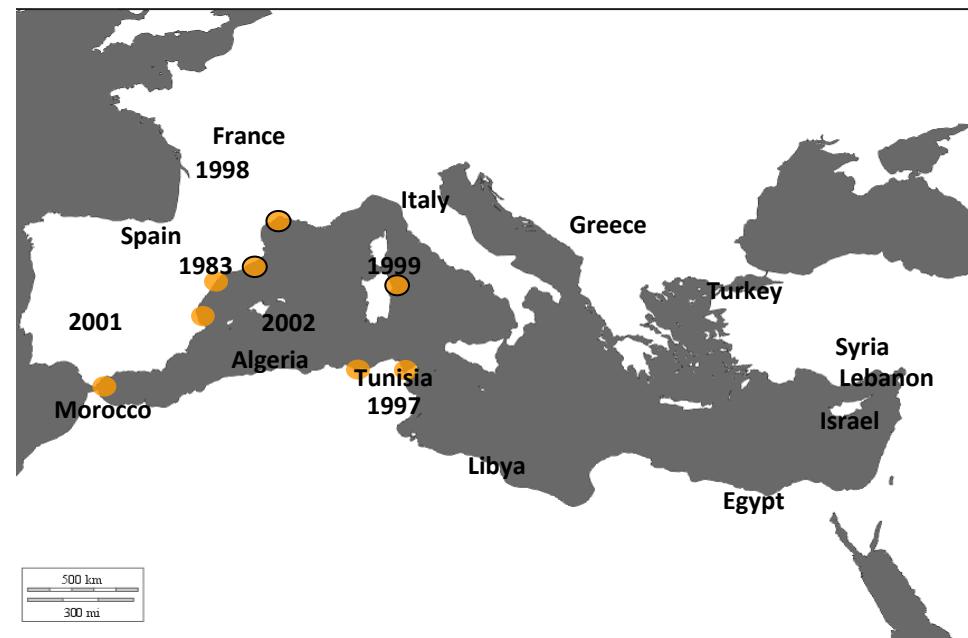
Action directe sur la transmission des influx nerveux (blocage des canaux à Na<sup>+</sup>)



## Expansion géographique des événements PSP

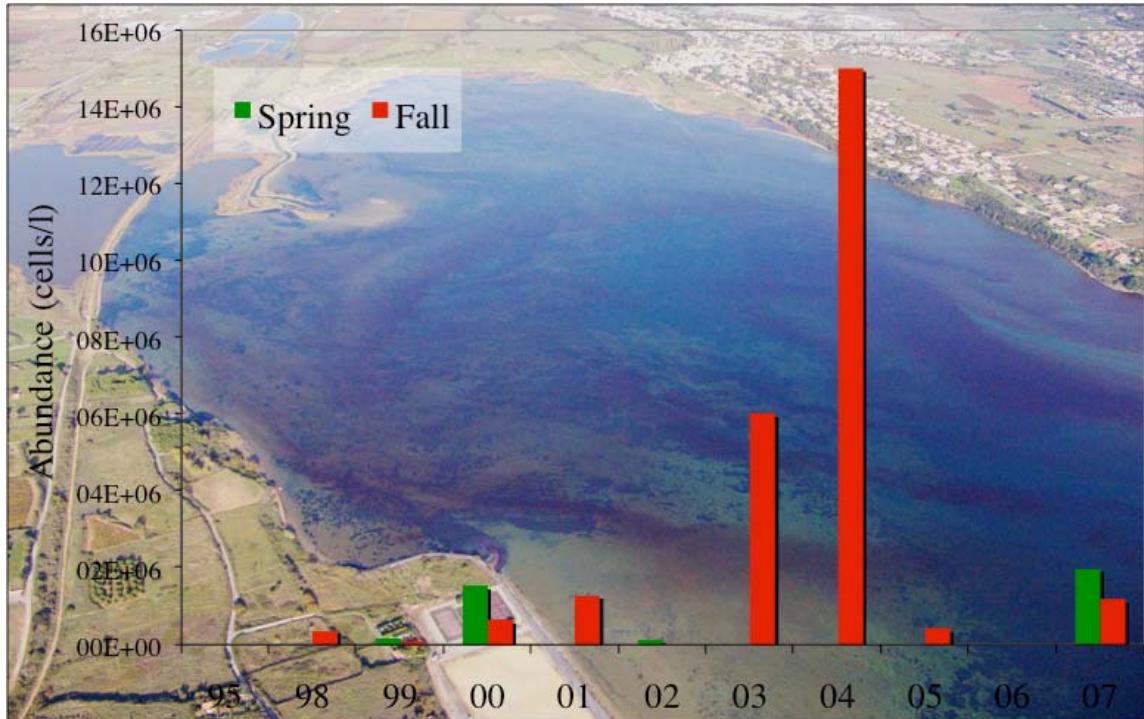


## Etude biogéographique: *Alexandrium catenella/tamarensense*



Penna et al 2008, modified; Frehi et al 2007



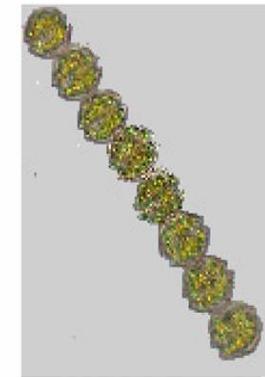


Phénomène récurrent  
Bloom printanier et automnal

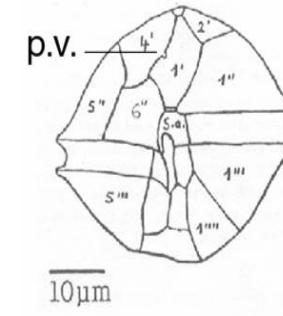
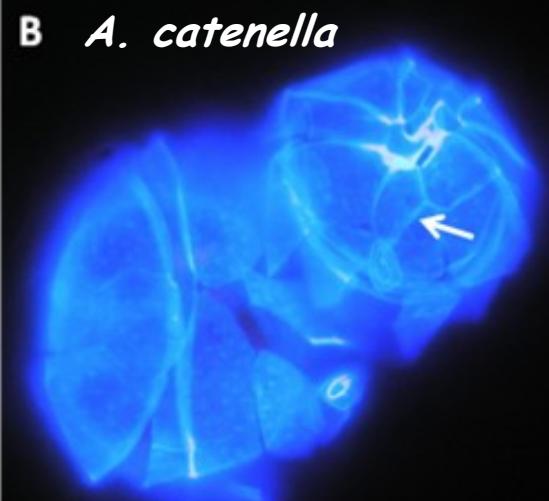
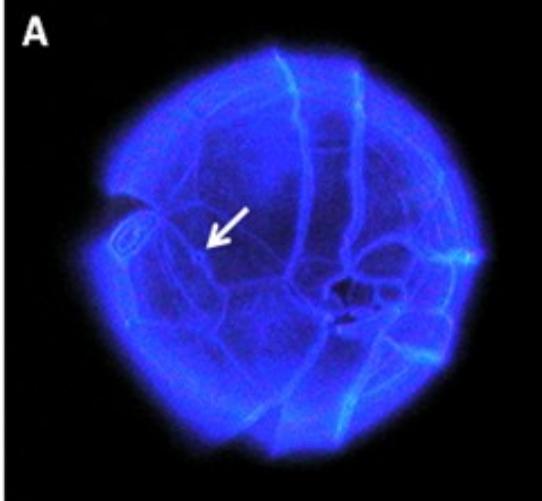
Intoxication PSP



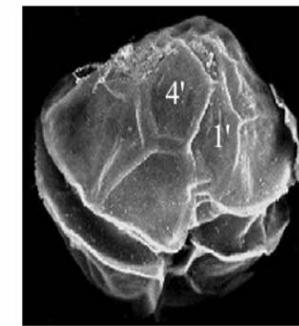
Cellule végétative  
*d'Alexandrium catenella*



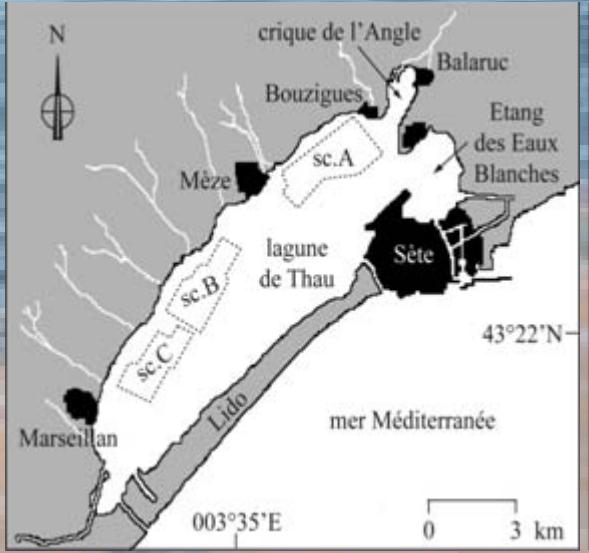
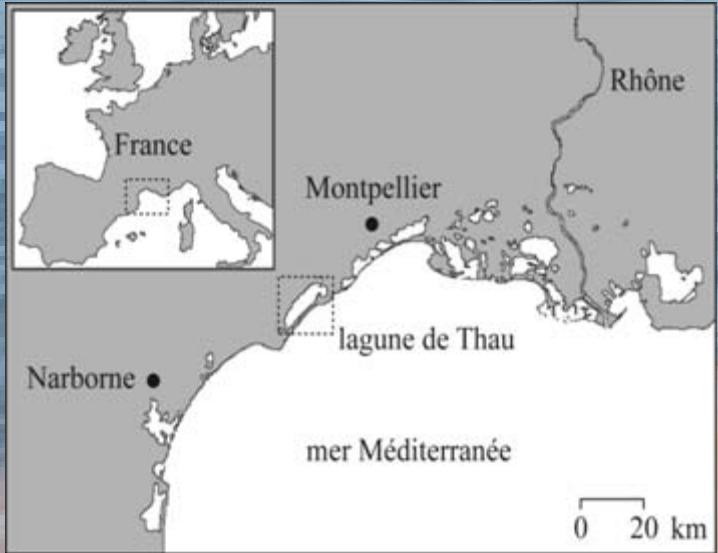
Chaîne de 8 cellules



Position du pore ventral  
(p.v.) d'*A. tamarense*



Absence de pore ventral  
sur la thèque *A. catenella*



## Lagune de Thau 10 % de la production nationale d'huîtres

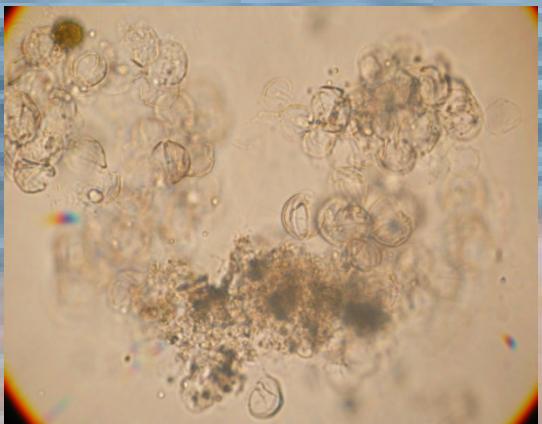


Demande économique  
et sociétale

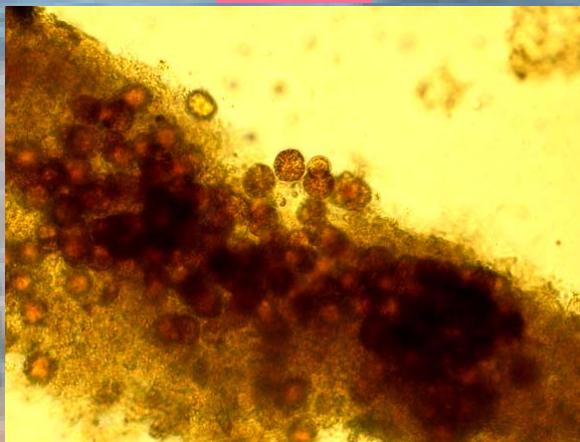


## Quelques résultats marquants

# Survie des algues toxiques au transit stomacal chez *Crassostrea gigas*



Fèces



Pseudofèces

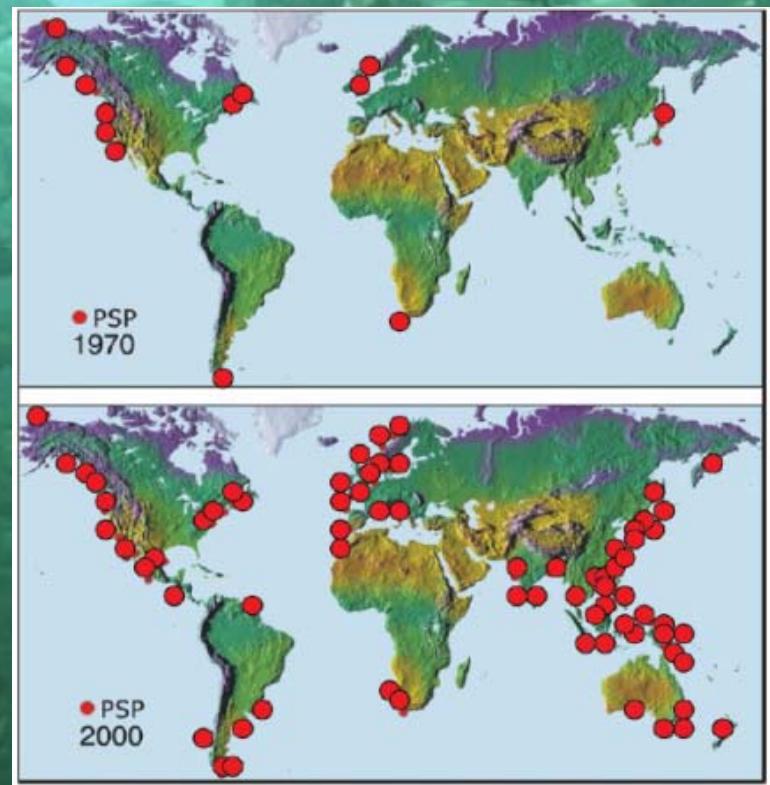
les kystes pelliculaires  
se libèrent de leurs thèques  
et donnent des cellules  
végétatives viables qui se  
divisent



*Alexandrium catenella*

Production de kystes pelliculaires  
(temporaires) intacts et immobiles

Risque d'émergence dans Thau de nouvelles espèces  
(*A. tamarensis*, *Dinophysis sp.*, *Pseudo-nitzschia sp....*)  
Intoxications ASP, DSP.....



# Effet des facteurs environnementaux sur la croissance d'*A. catenella*



Cette espèce est:

Euryhaline

Eurytherme

Lumière saturante à partir de  
 $90 \mu\text{mol} \cdot \text{m}^{-2} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$

Température facteur important

Optimum de croissance  
se situe autour de 20 °C

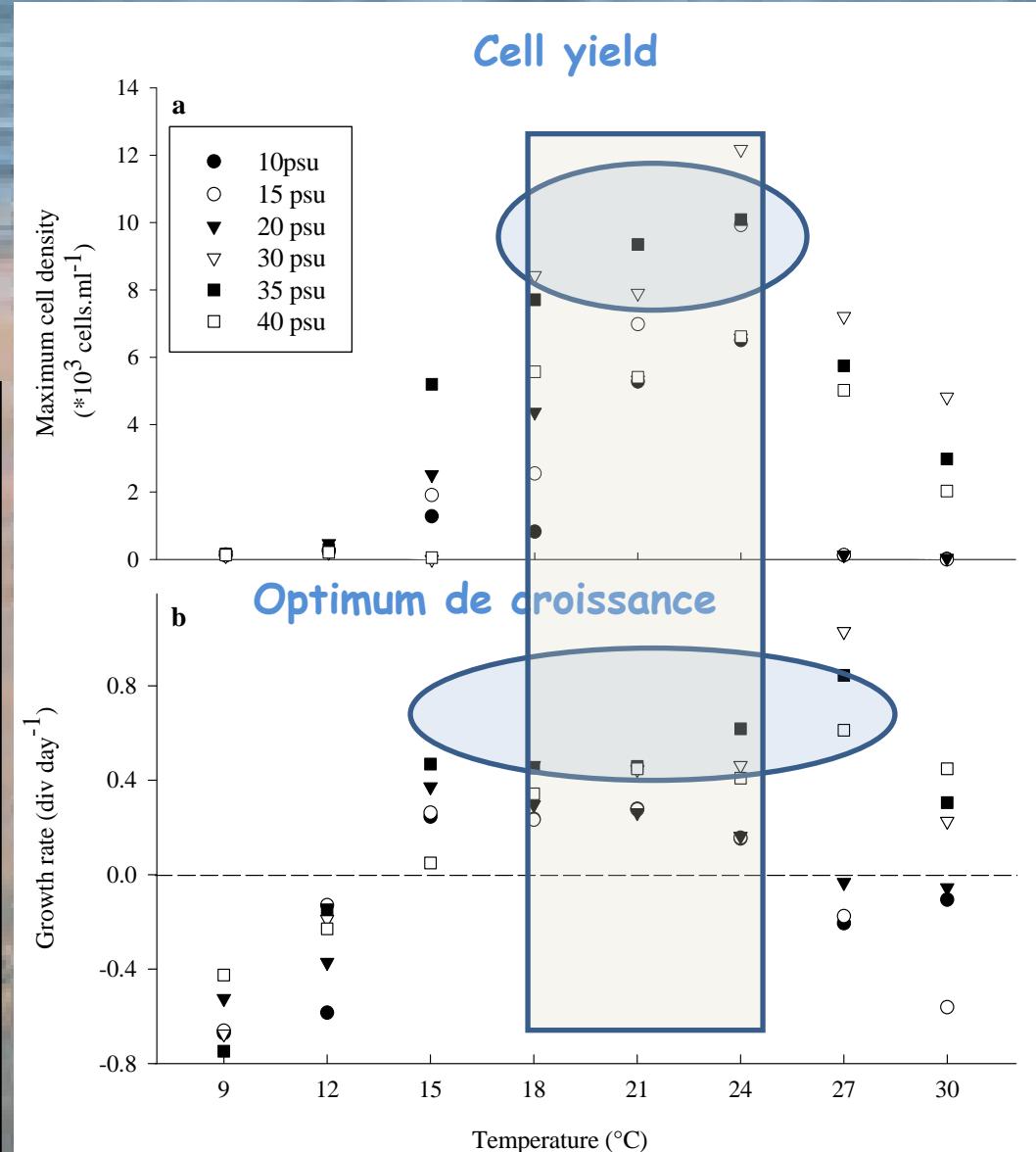


Fig. 4. Influence of salinity and temperature on (a) the final concentration and (b) the growth rate of *A. catenella*, in the 48 combined of salinity and temperature.

## Contribution of known and unknown nitrogen sources to PN-based growth of *A. catenella* during blooms

N source	% total H growth	% total T growth
Nitrate	0.1–3	5–14
Nitrite	0.1–1	1–5
Ammonium	30–68	32–100
Urea	2–36	48–59
X	0–67	0–13

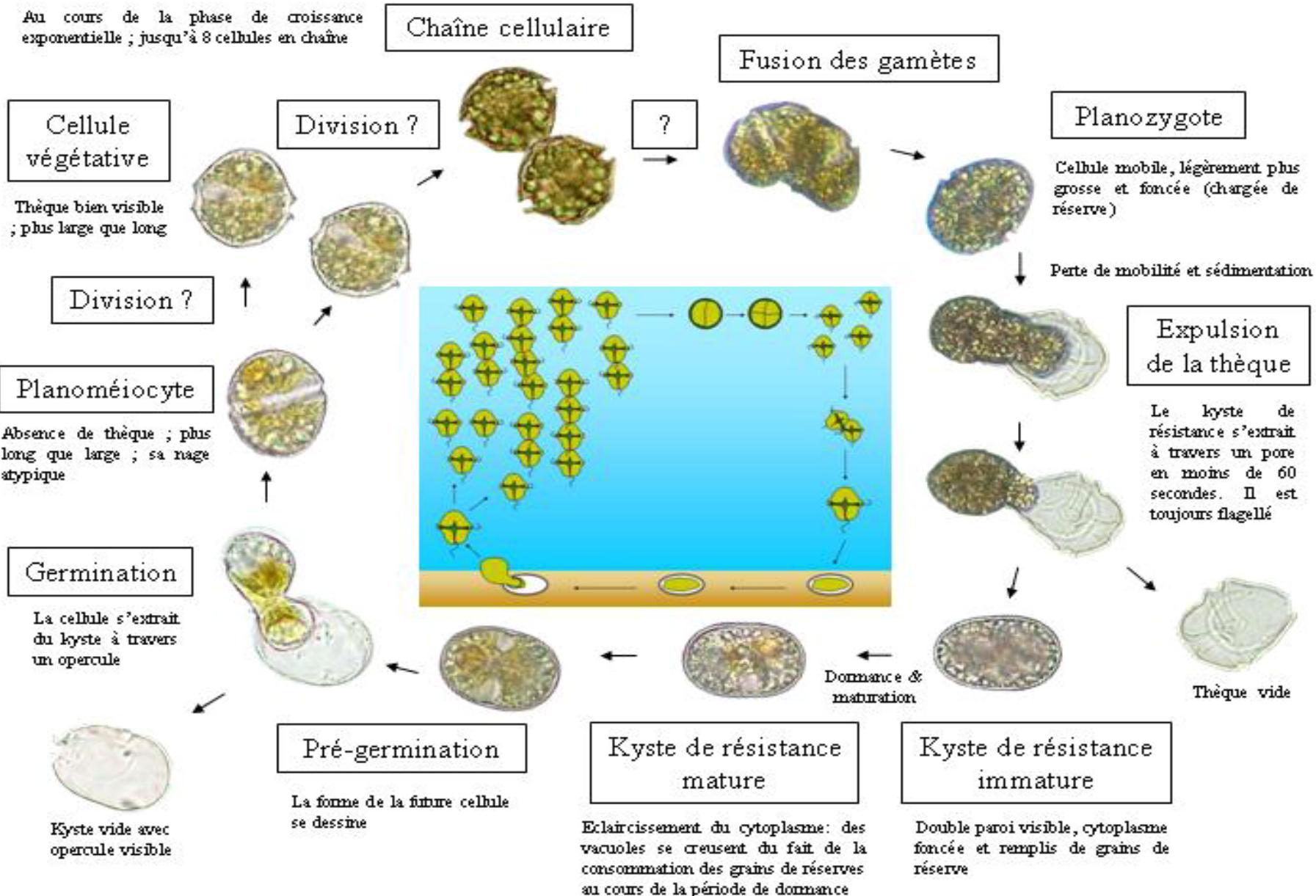
Principales  
sources d'azote

N organique ?  
Mixotrophie ?

Range of values from six series of measurements over 3 years. In the H series with full enrichment, the contribution of NH<sub>4</sub> corresponds to 20 µmol N l<sup>-1</sup> and other N sources at *in situ* concentrations. In the T series without any enrichment, the contributions of all known N sources correspond to *in situ* concentrations.

Différences entre les souches  
pour l'utilisation de l'azote

# Rôle du kyste dormant dans l'initiation, le maintien et la récurrence des efflorescences d'*A. catenella*



Distribution & abondance ?

Temps de survie ?

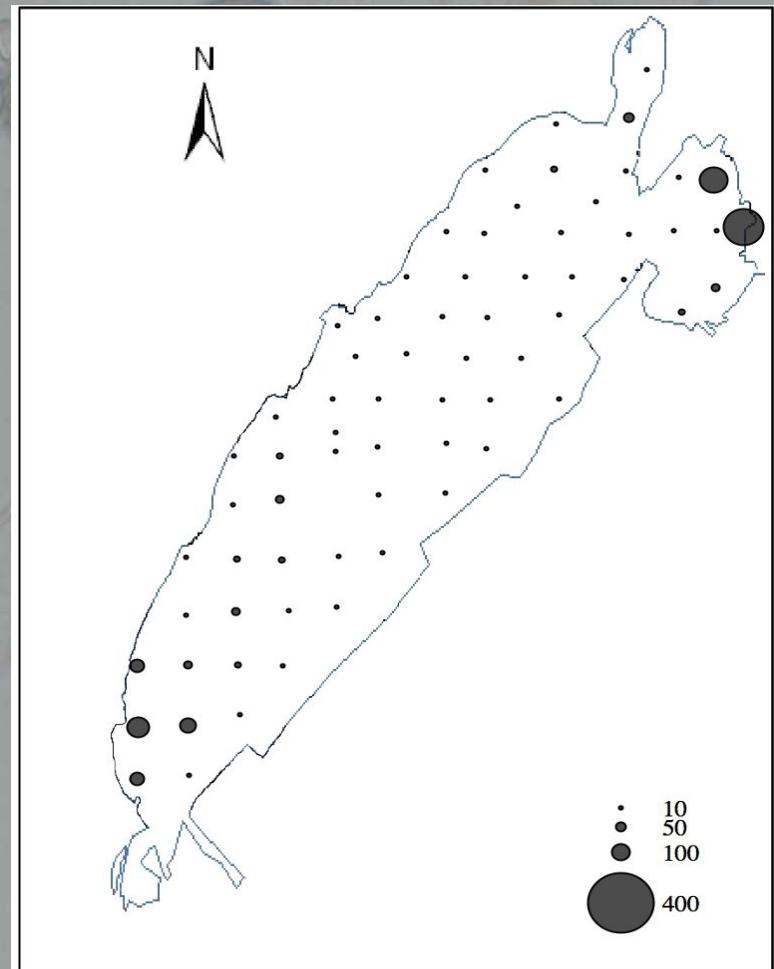
Germination & ensemencement ?

# Distribution d'*A. catenella*



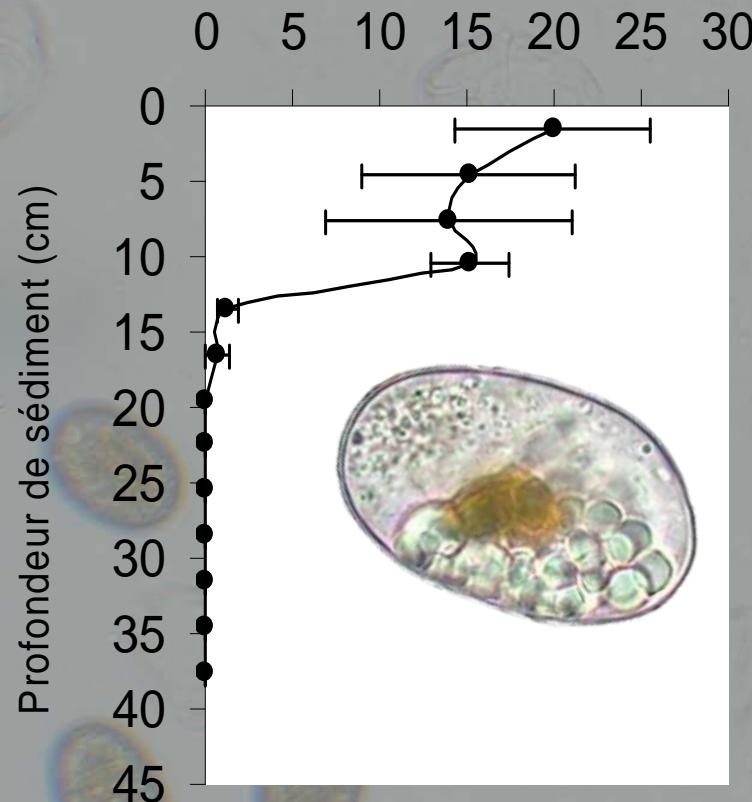
Mise en évidence de foyers de kystes de résistance

Corrélation avec les caractéristiques du sédiment

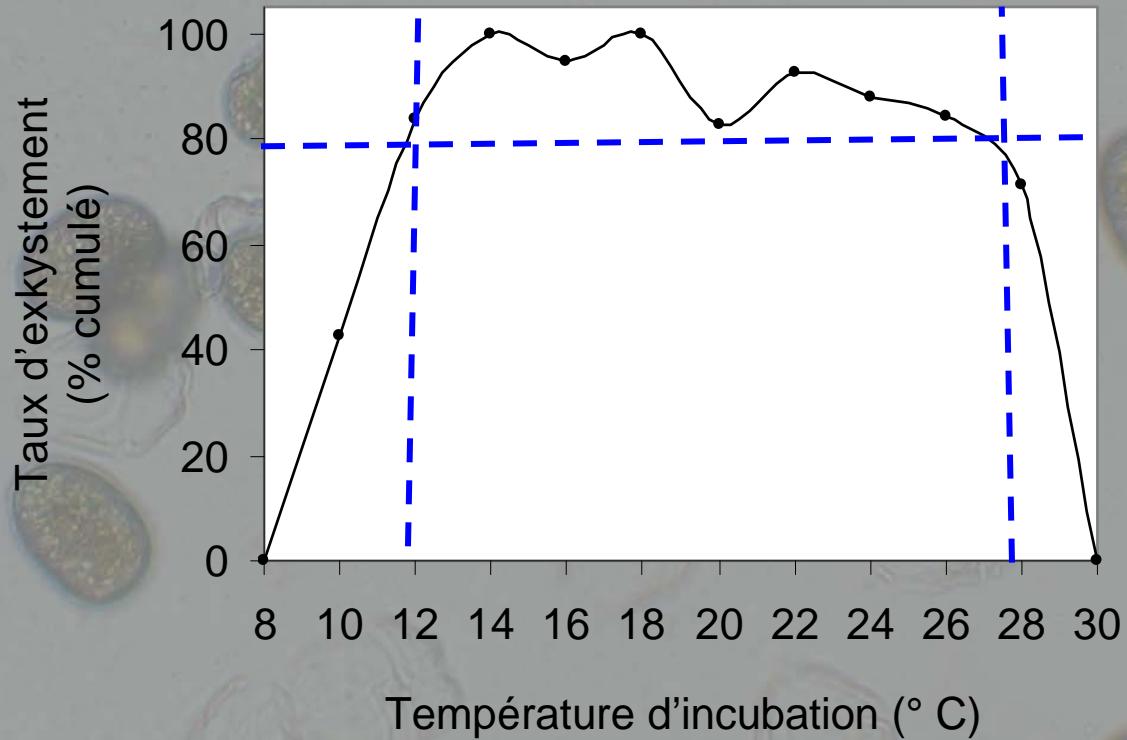


# Distribution et Biologie du kyste dormant

Kystes g<sup>-1</sup> sédiment sec



Répartition verticale



Biologie du kyste  
(fenêtre de germination)

*A. minutum* (Estuaire de Penzé) avec  
son parasite *Amoebophrya* spp. (Syndiniales)

Spécificité marquée

Dinospore libre

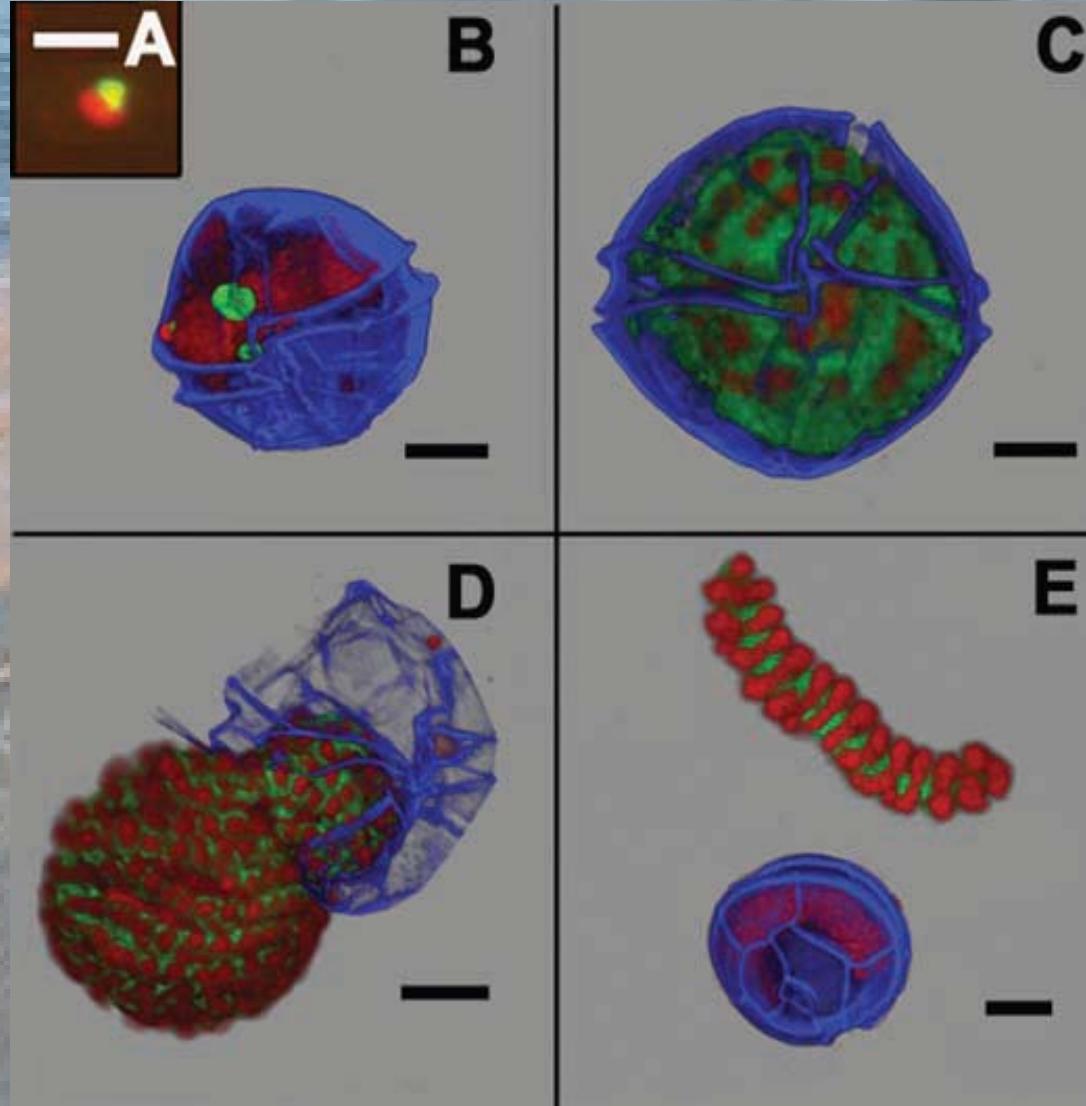
1<sup>er</sup> stade  
d'infection

Rupture de  
la thèque

Sonde oligonucléotidique ALVO1  
Dirigée contre SSU rRNA  
des parasitoides

Fluorescence rouge  
(ADN-propidium iodure)

Thèque colorée  
par le calcofluore



Parasite mature  
« trophont »

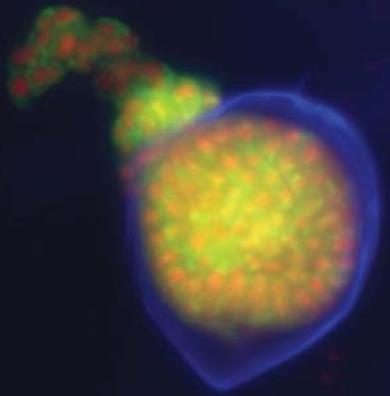
Stade  
vermiforme



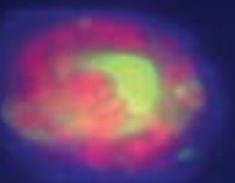
60-400  
dinospores

## *A. catenella* non infecté jusqu'à présent...

*Prorocentrum sp.*



*Scrippsiella sp.*



*A. catenella*



*Thau*

Ce qui peut expliquer...

- La persistance d'*A. catenella* *in situ* pendant plusieurs semaines
- La récurrence des blooms toxiques depuis 1998

Possible adaptation des parasites à *A. catenella* (espèce invasive)  
10aine d'années....

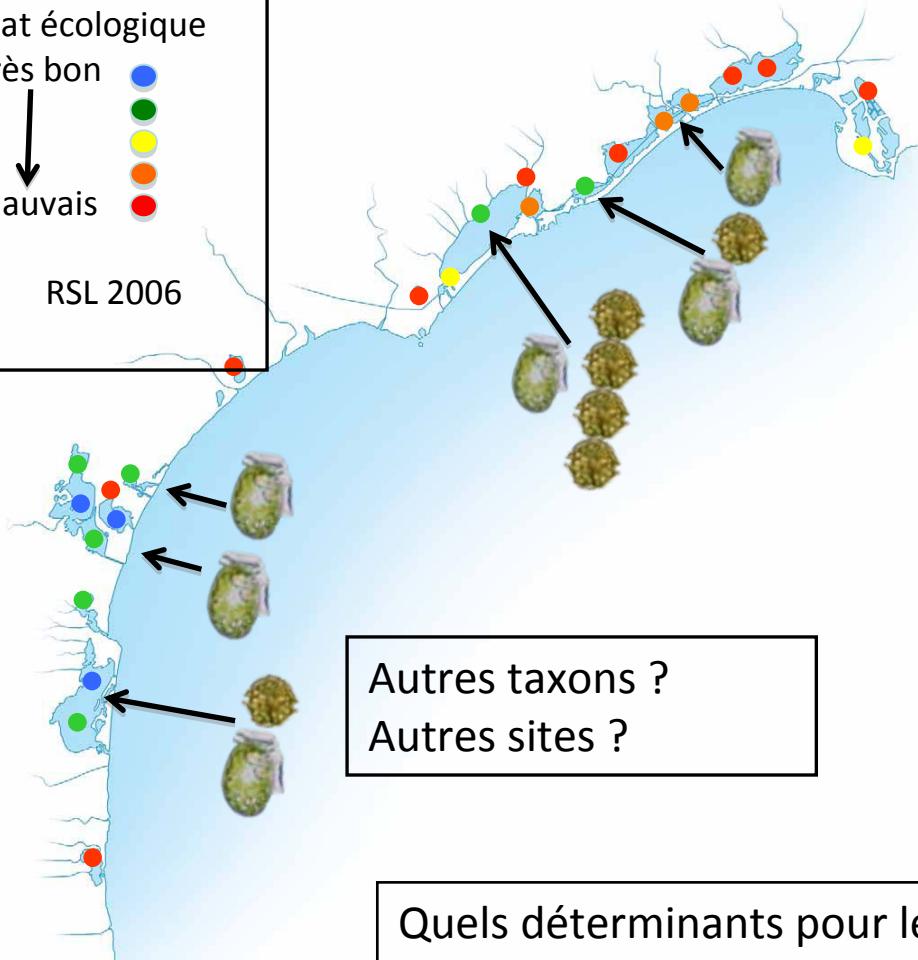
Continuer le suivi *in situ*



# Efflorescences toxiques et Diversité algale

Etat écologique  
Très bon (bleu)  
Bon (vert)  
Mauvais (orange)  
Mauvais (rouge)

RSL 2006

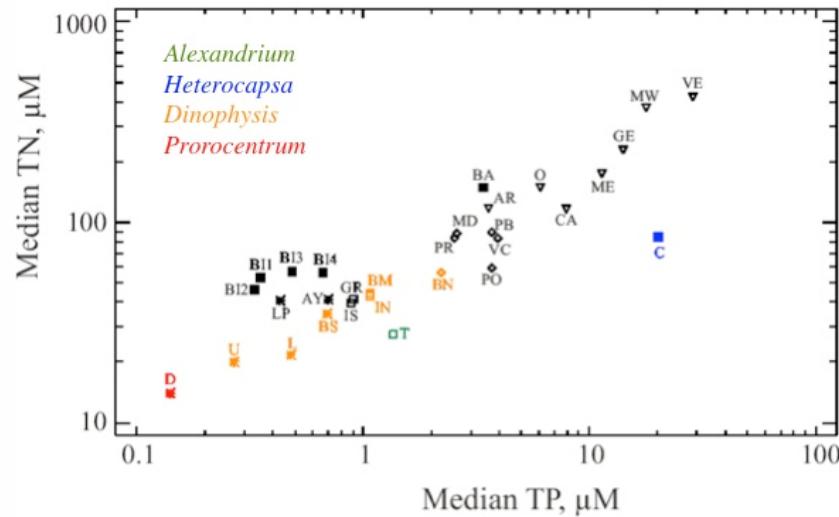


Autres taxons ?  
Autres sites ?

Quels déterminants pour les HABs ?

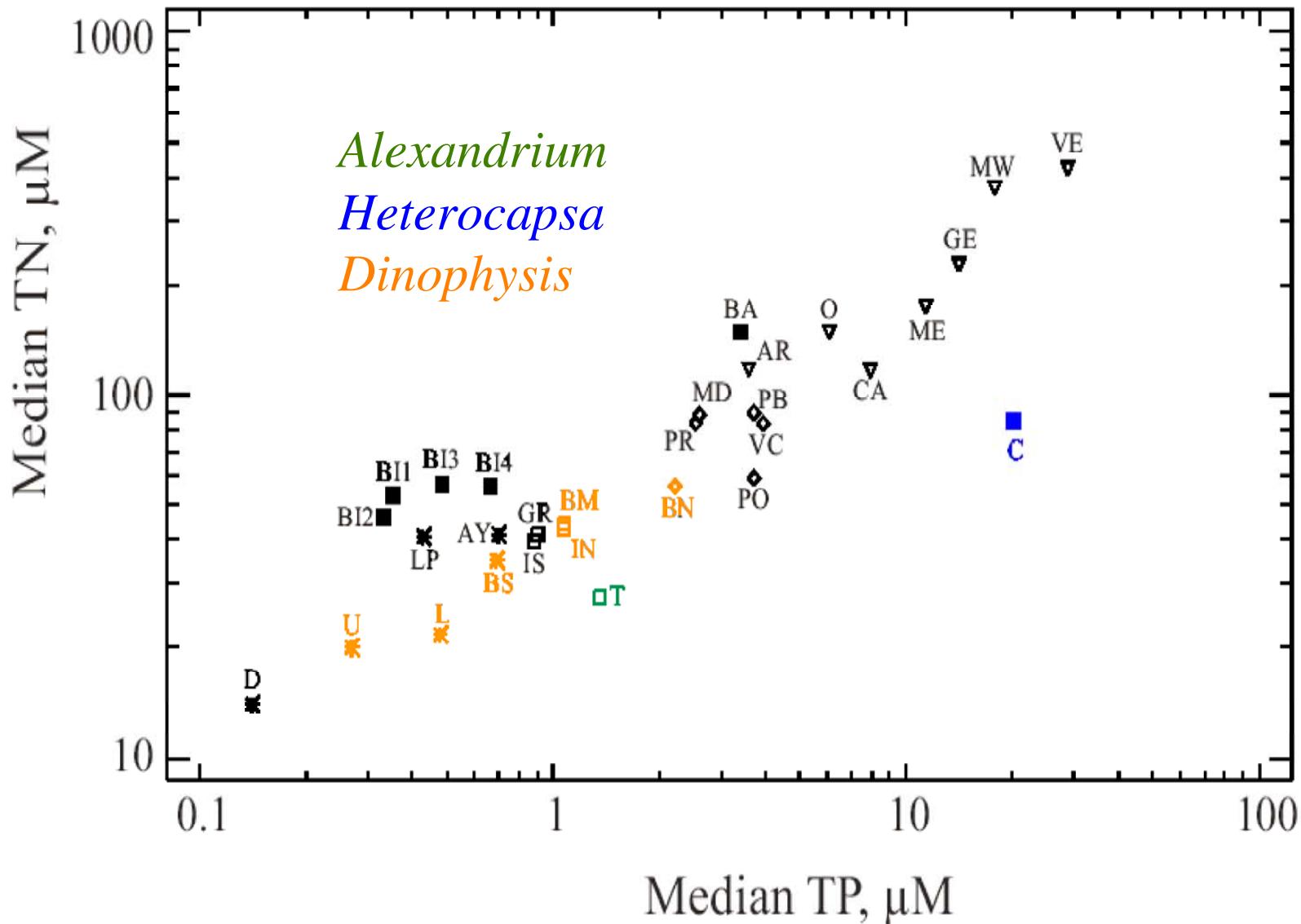
- Diversité génétique inter et intraspécifique ?
- Contrôles environnementaux ?
- Contrôles biologiques ?

## Dinoflagellates and eutrophication



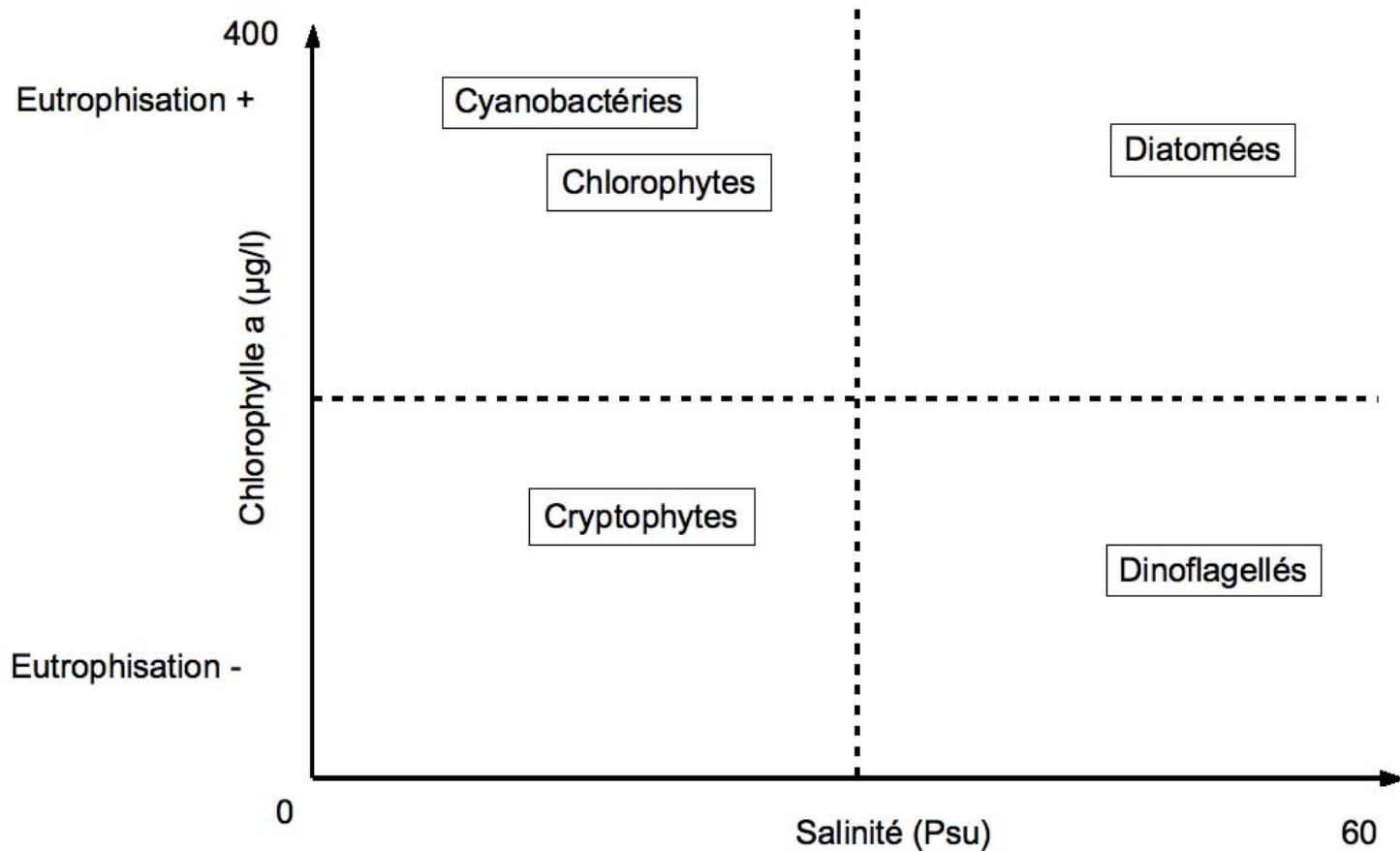
Phytoplancton lagunaire :  
diversité vs biomasse ?

# Dinoflagellés et eutrophisation



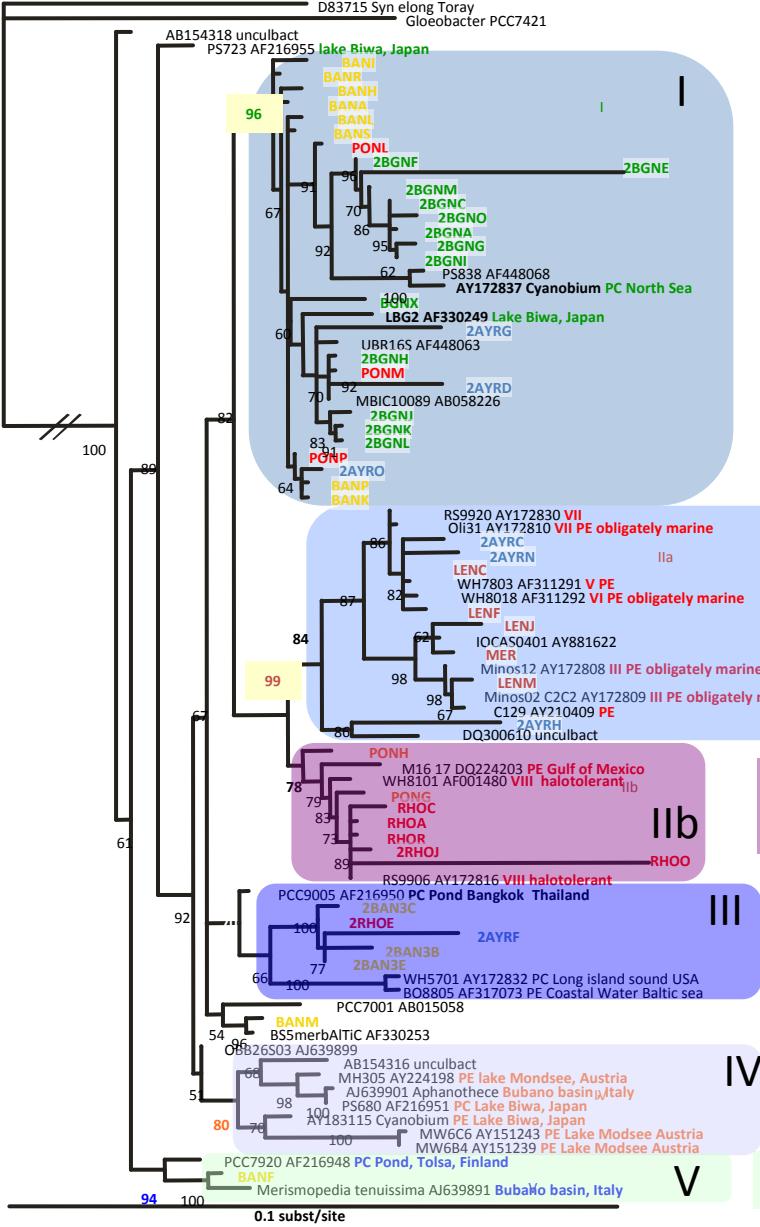


# Relations entre groupes phytoplanctoniques, salinité et eutrophisation





# Diversité génétique de *Synechococcus* et diversité lagunaire



**Halotolerant  
*Synechococcus*-PC**

**IIa**

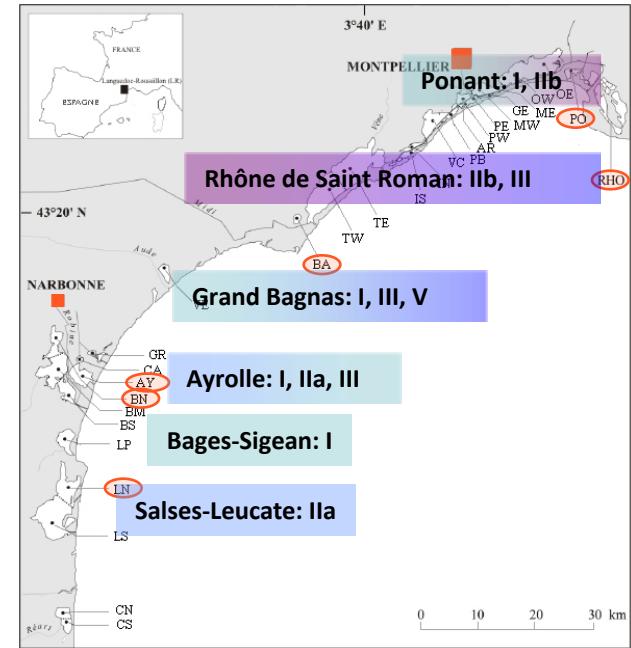
**Marine  
*Synechococcus*-PE  
(sub-cluster 5.1)**

**Halotolerant  
*Synechococcus* PE**

**III**  
**IV**  
**V**

***Synechococcus* from Freshwater  
PC-PE**

***Synechococcus* from Freshwater-PC**

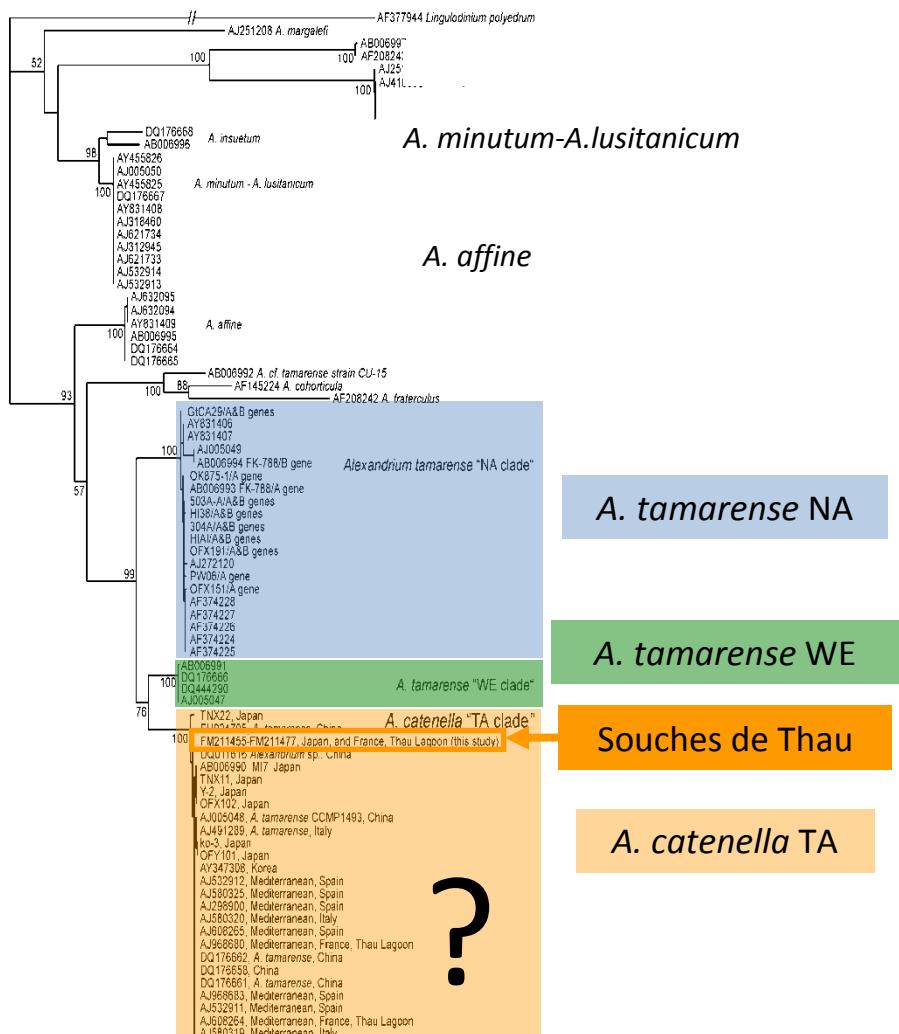


- Très large diversité d'écotypes: mer -> eau douce
- Forte structuration des populations
- Importance : communications avec la mer: salinité, canaux, bassin versant, statut trophique



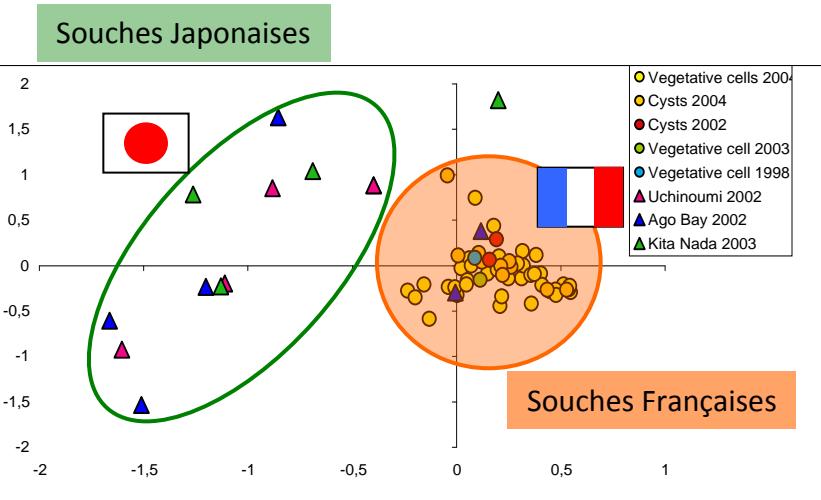
# Diversité et structure des populations d'*Alexandrium catenella*

## Diversité phylogénétique du genre *Alexandrium*



L'opéron ribosomale ne peut pas élucider la variabilité intraspécifique parmi les populations d'*A. catenella* du clade géographique Asie Tempérée

## Structure génétique des populations française et japonaise



Mise en évidence de trois lignées distinctes au sein de l'espèce *A.catenella* grâce aux marqueurs microsatellites





## Mise en place de la souchothèque au sein d'ETDA-ECOLAG

- Isolement de plusieurs centaines de souches monoclonales
- Culture de cellules issues de kystes de résistance
- A terme constituer une souchothèque de référence des microalgues toxiques apparaissant en Méditerranée



Les souches seront utilisées dans les études génétiques, toxiniques et écophysiologiques

# Allelopathic effects of *Zostera marina* and *Zostera noltii* on the growth of the toxic dinoflagellate *Alexandrium catenella*



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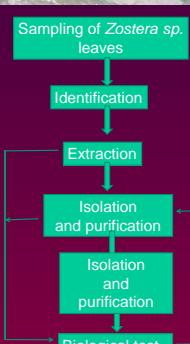
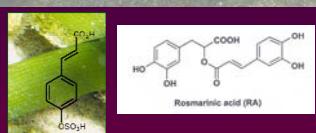
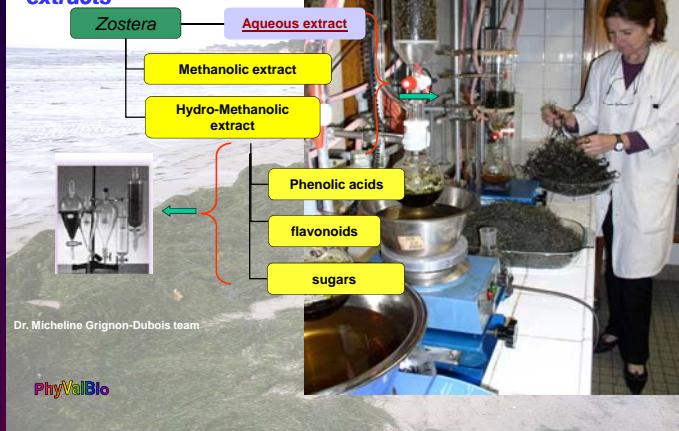
ECOLAGUNES Project

## Introduction

In the Thau lagoon (a French Mediterranean coastal lagoon), a bloom (85000 cellules.l<sup>-1</sup>) of *Alexandrium catenella* occurred for the first time in November 1998. Later similar episodes appeared regularly in spring and autumn reaching high cell concentrations (5\*10<sup>6</sup> cells.l<sup>-1</sup>) that induced the closing of shellfish farms. Allelopathy is a process implying secondary metabolites excreted by plants and micro-organisms which affects the competitive efficiency of the coexistent organisms. *Zostera marina* and *Zostera noltii* produce bioactive molecules as zosteric acid, a sulphated natural product able to prevent settlement of some marine bacteria, algae, barnacles and tube worms at non-toxic concentrations. These seagrass species contain also rosmarinic acid which have been reported to have a number of biological activities *in vitro*, such as antiviral, including human immunodeficiency virus 1, antibacterial, antioxidant, anti-inflammatory and anticarcinogenic. Water-soluble extract of *Z. marina* leaves inhibited the growth of micro-algae and many marine bacteria.



### Preparation of the tested extracts



Detritus of the sea grasses *Z. noltii* and *Z. marina* collected on the beaches of Arcachon Lagoon over a 3-year period contain **zosteric acid**, a natural sulphated phenolic acid and **rosmarinic acid**, a phenolic acid an economically important metabolite. (Achamlae et al. 2009a, b)

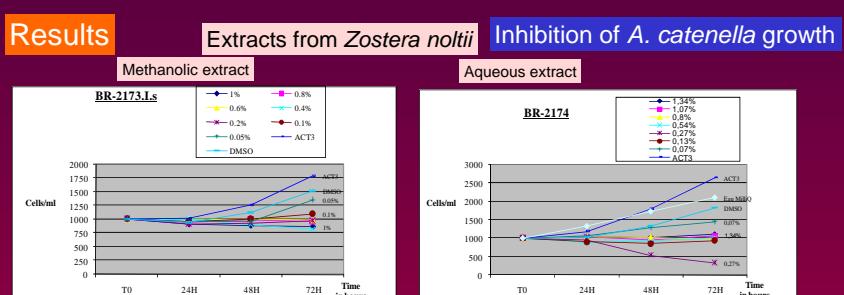
## Objectives

The present study investigates non-nutrient relationship between two dominant seagrass species and *A. catenella* a toxic dinoflagellate blooming worldwide which is often responsible of paralytic shellfish poisoning events. Aqueous and methanolic crude extracts were prepared from two seagrasses, *Z. marina* and *Z. noltii* which were collected on the beaches of Arcachon lagoon. The potential allelopathic effects of different concentrations of these extracts have been tested on the growth of *A. catenella* (strain collected in Thau in 2003) by using bio-assays.

## Methods

*A. catenella* was grown in batch cultures using ESW medium (Harrison et al. 1980) under appropriate light (100 μmoles.m<sup>-2</sup>.s<sup>-1</sup>) and temperature (20 1 C) conditions. To test allelopathic effect of *Zostera* species, target species was cultivated in culture medium with different concentrations of the extracts. Nutrients were added at (t0) in order to control the nutrient concentrations in the different tested treatments, including controls.

## Results

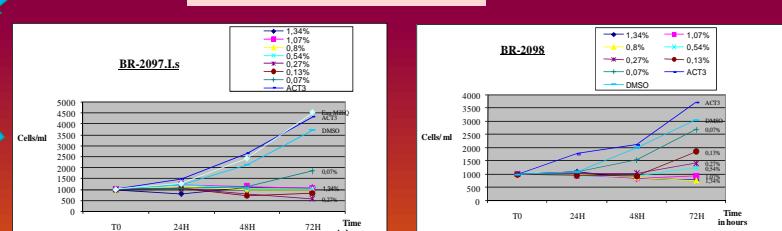


Our observations using photonic microscope showed that cells which stopped to divide in the presence of very low concentrations of the tested extracts presented morphological anomalies and lysis.

### Inhibition of photosynthetic activity

Recent results (no shown here) clearly indicate that methanolic extract (BR.2173.I.S) of *Z. Noltii* have also a significant negative effect on the photosynthetic activity of *A. Catenella* (Phytoparam fluorescence measurements during microcosm's experiments).

### Extracts from Zostera marina



These results highlighted the strong inhibition effect exerted by natural extracts of *Zostera* sp. on the growth of *A. catenella*, even at very low concentrations. Extracts from leaves of *Zostera* species originated from Thau lagoon will be tested. Additional experiments will be dedicated to test the effect of continuous release of allelochemicals from the fresh seagrass tissues on the growth and the physiological activity of *A. catenella*. Because of the severe economic and public health caused by harmful microalgae, the allelopathic substances from *Zostera* detritus may be considered as potential candidates to mitigate the effects of harmful algal blooms on shellfish aquaculture in lagoons.