



FINMARI has made commitments to advance the UN Sustainable Development Goals

The commitments are related to the Goal 14 "Life below water", focusing of themes Science, Education and Global partnerships, and were connected to the UN Oceans conference, held in Ice, France 9-13 June 2025.

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UNITED NATIONS OCEAN CONFERENCE NICE, FRANCE 2025

Who's who in FINMARI Jari Hänninen, Director of Archipelago **Research Station, University of Turku**

Jari has led the Archipelago Research Station in Seili since 2003. His scientific interests include marine biology, aquatic ecology, biological oceanography and Baltic Sea environment, long-term climatic changes and their effects on marine and aquatic biodiversity.

Seeing for the first time the Archipelago Sea and its 40 000 islands was the point when Jari became aware of its uniqueness and need for protection.

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A scientific seminar Particle dynamics in coastal marine environments

GTK Headquarters, Espoo Finland Tuesday 28.10.2025 at 9:00-16:00 Registration & abstract submission DL 30.7. 2025 **Register here**







Publication by Renata Majamäki et al. Microbially enhanced growth and metal capture by ferromanganese concretions in a laboratory experiment.

Baltic Sea ferromanganese concretions and microbial influence on their growth and metal accumulation was studied experimentally in microcosms. The microbial contribution was confirmed by a strong decrease in headspace methane concentrations in the biotic microcosms, indicating the presence of active methanotrophs in the concretion communities

The article is published in Geobiology 23 https://doi.org/10.1111/gbi.70010

Publication by Johanna Gammal et al. Seasonal variation in the role of benthic macrofauna communities for ecosystem functioning in shallow coastal softsediment habitats.

The relationships and seasonal variability between benthic macrofauna and solute fluxes was followed in Baltic coastal soft-sediment habitats, to study the role of biodiversity in ecosystem functioning. Strong seasonality in the study area underlined the significance of temperature as a key driver of diversity and ecosystem functionality.

The article is published in Estuaries and Coasts 48 https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s12237-025-01499-z

Publication by Luca Schenone et al. Microbial plankton uptake enhances the degradation of a biodegradable microplastic

An experimental study carried out using Baltic plankton community has shown that ciliates and nanoflagellates can ingest PLGA microplastics <15 um and reduce PLGA concentration and size in water. The findings highlight the short-term fate of biodegradable microplastics in marine systems. The article is published in Environmental Pollution https://doi.org/10.1016/j.envpol.2025.126252 See a video from the experiment here

Transnational Access call of IRISSC

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