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Spatio-temporal development of cyanobacteria bloom in the Baltic Sea during summer 2023

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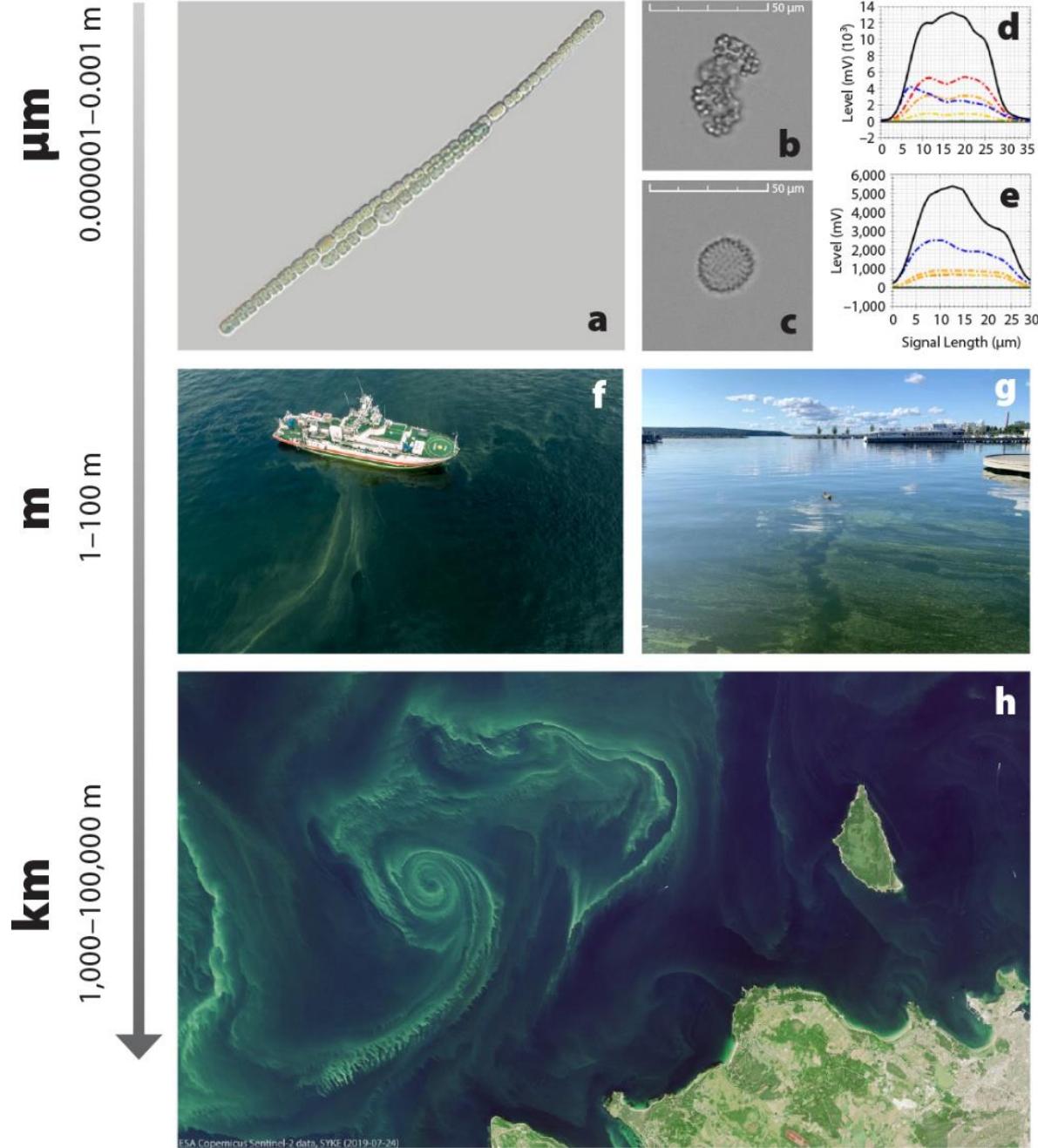
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Issues:

- Eutrophication
- Cyanobacteria blooms
- Hypoxia

Climate change



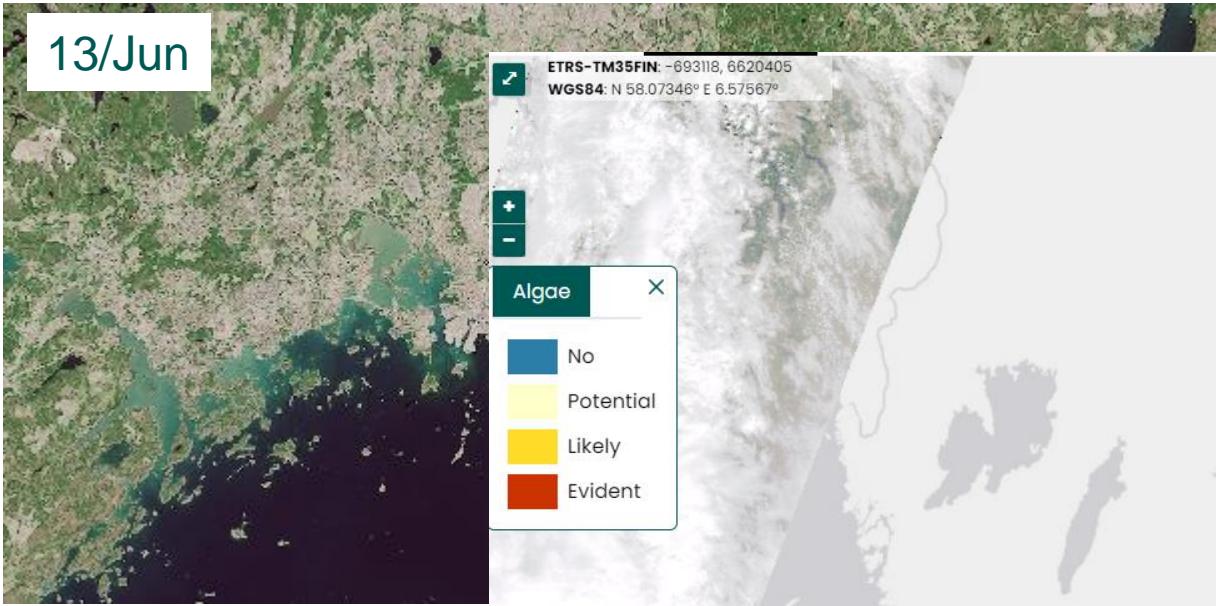
Haraguchi et al. 2021



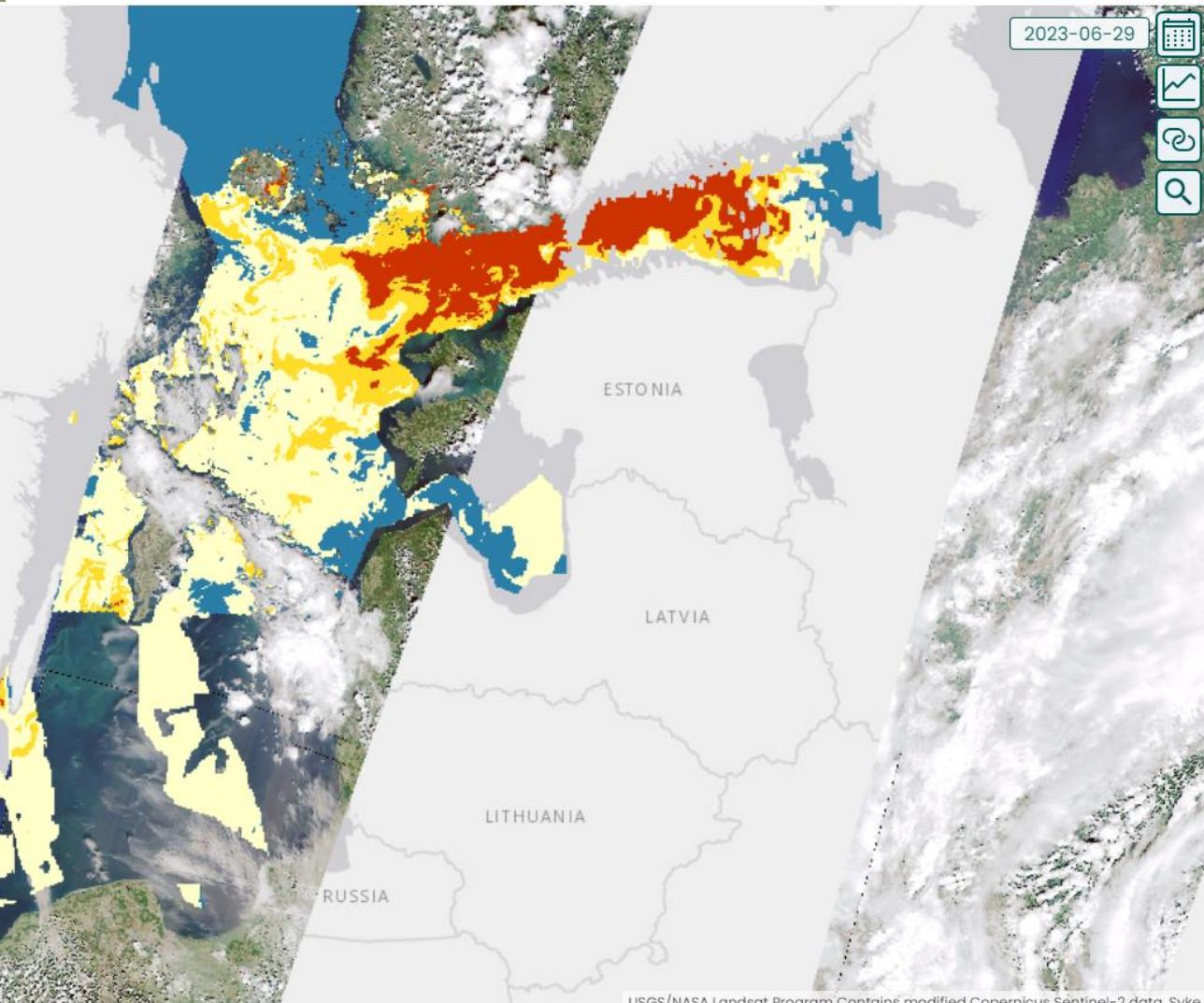
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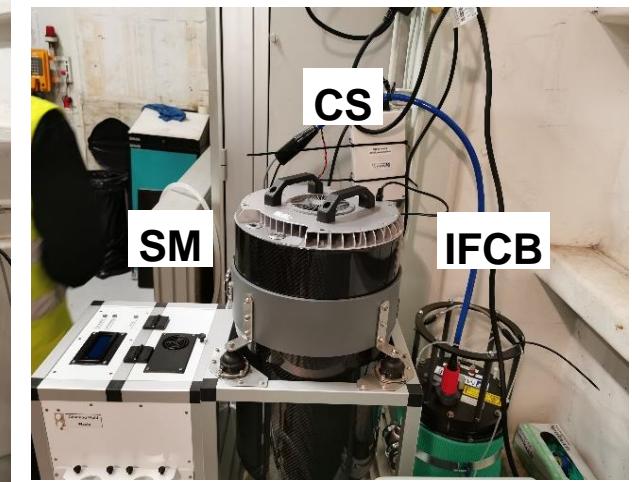
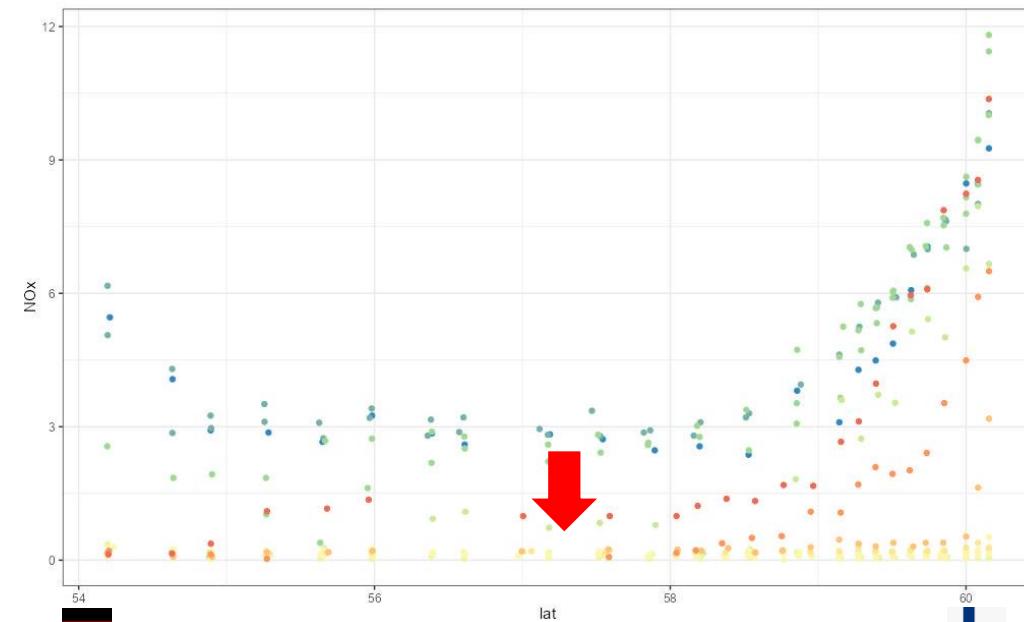
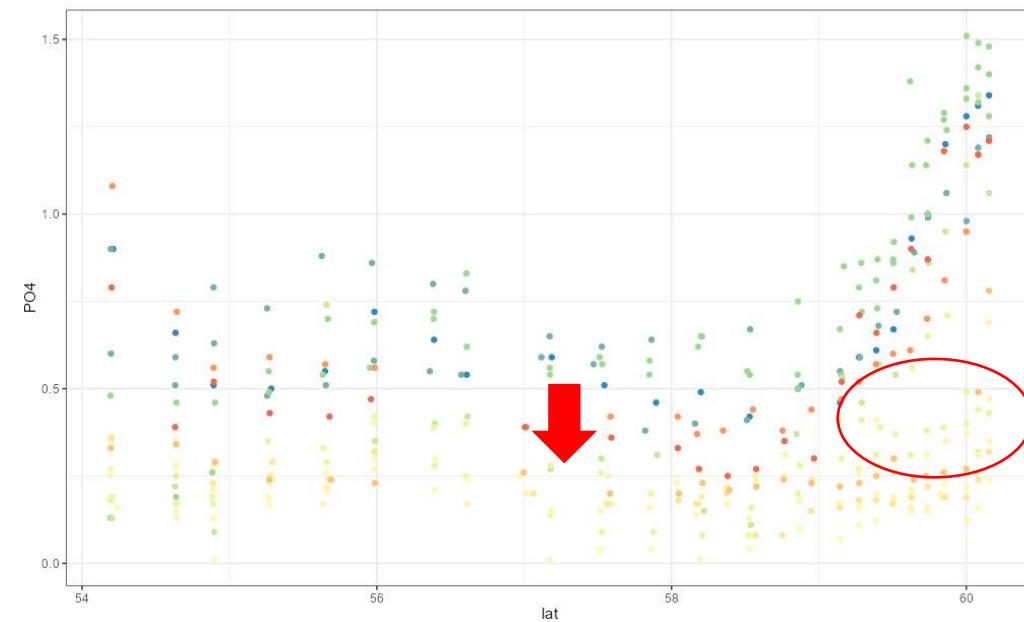
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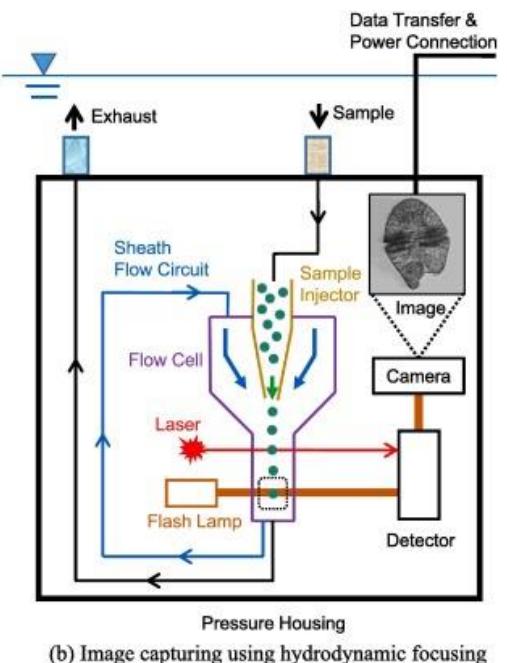
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Imaging FlowCytobot (IFCB)



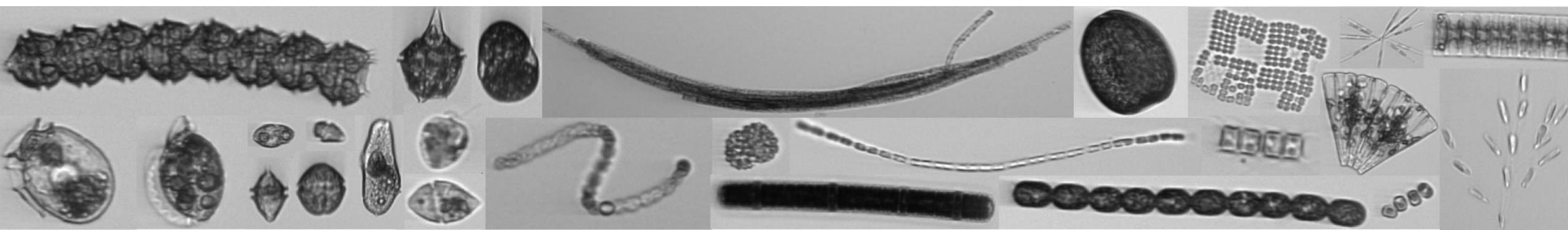
(a) IFCB (mclanelabs.com)



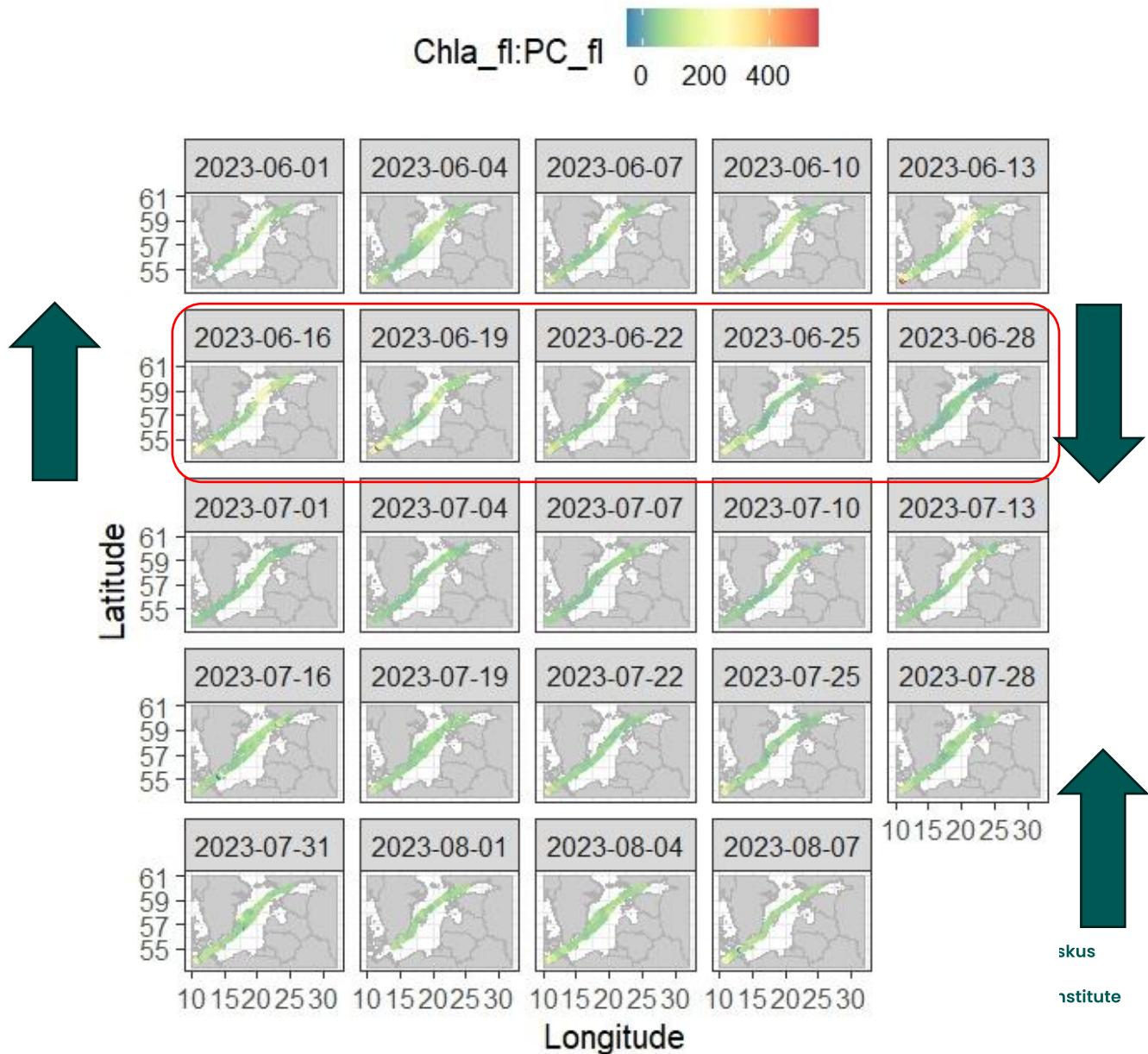
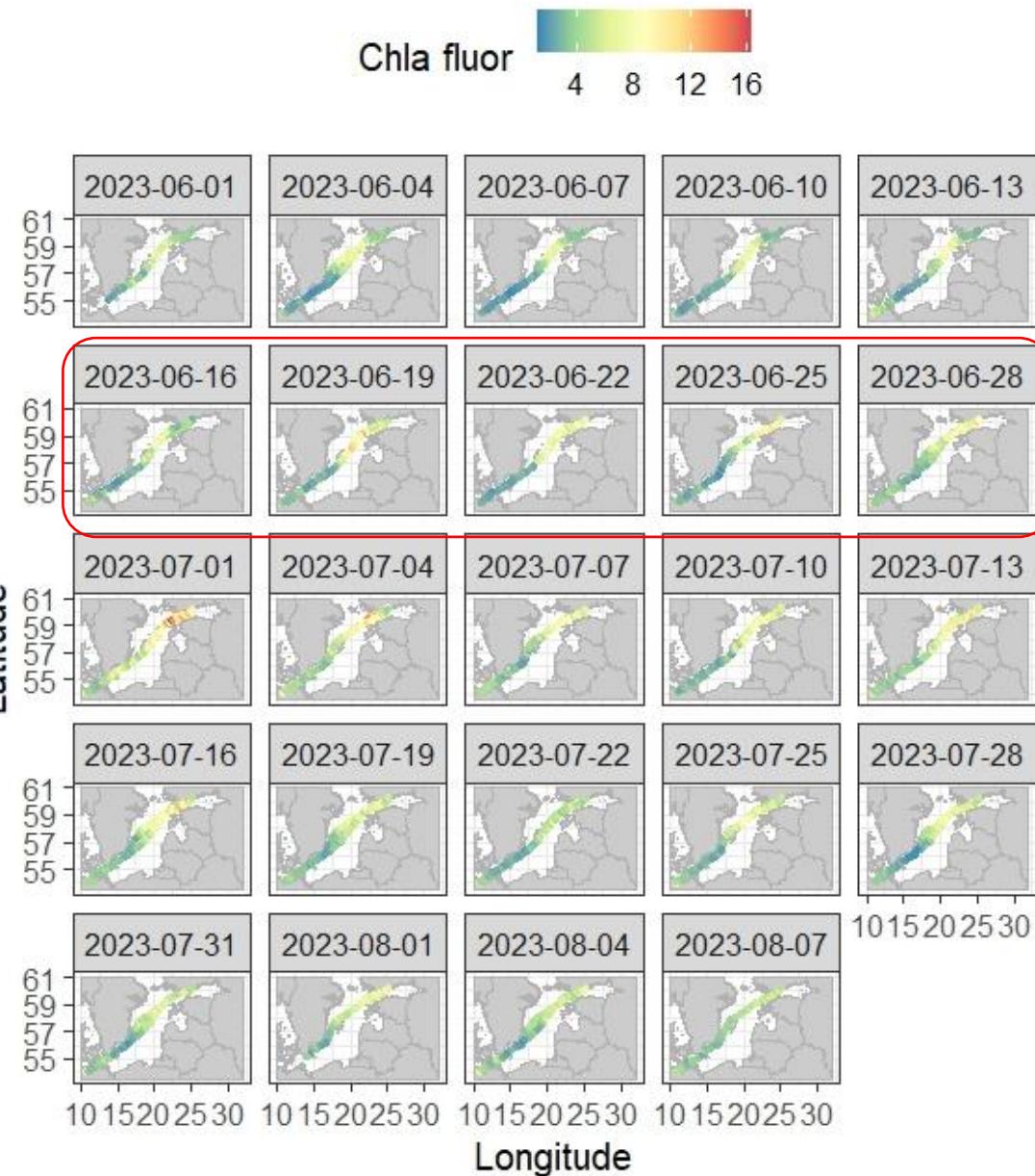
(b) Image capturing using hydrodynamic focusing

Guo et al., 2021

- Imaging flow cytometer
- 1 laser
- 2 optical sensors
- Images particles inside size range $\sim 10\text{-}150\mu\text{m}$
- Sample of 5ml with approx. 20 min interval
- Camera triggered by chlorophyll-a or scatter
- Even $\sim 30\,000$ images / hour
- 150 μm mesh in IFCB inlet to prevent it from clogging

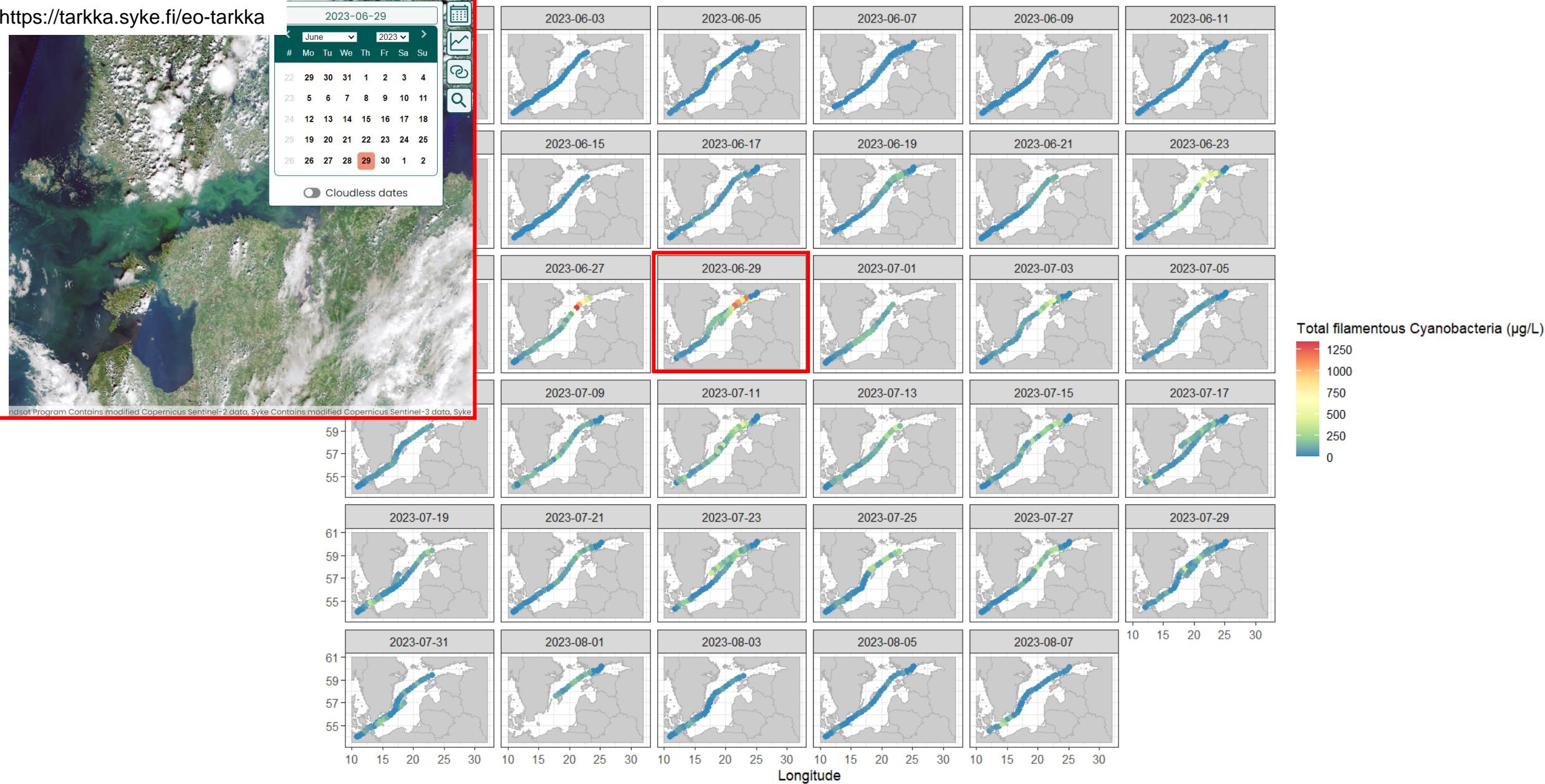


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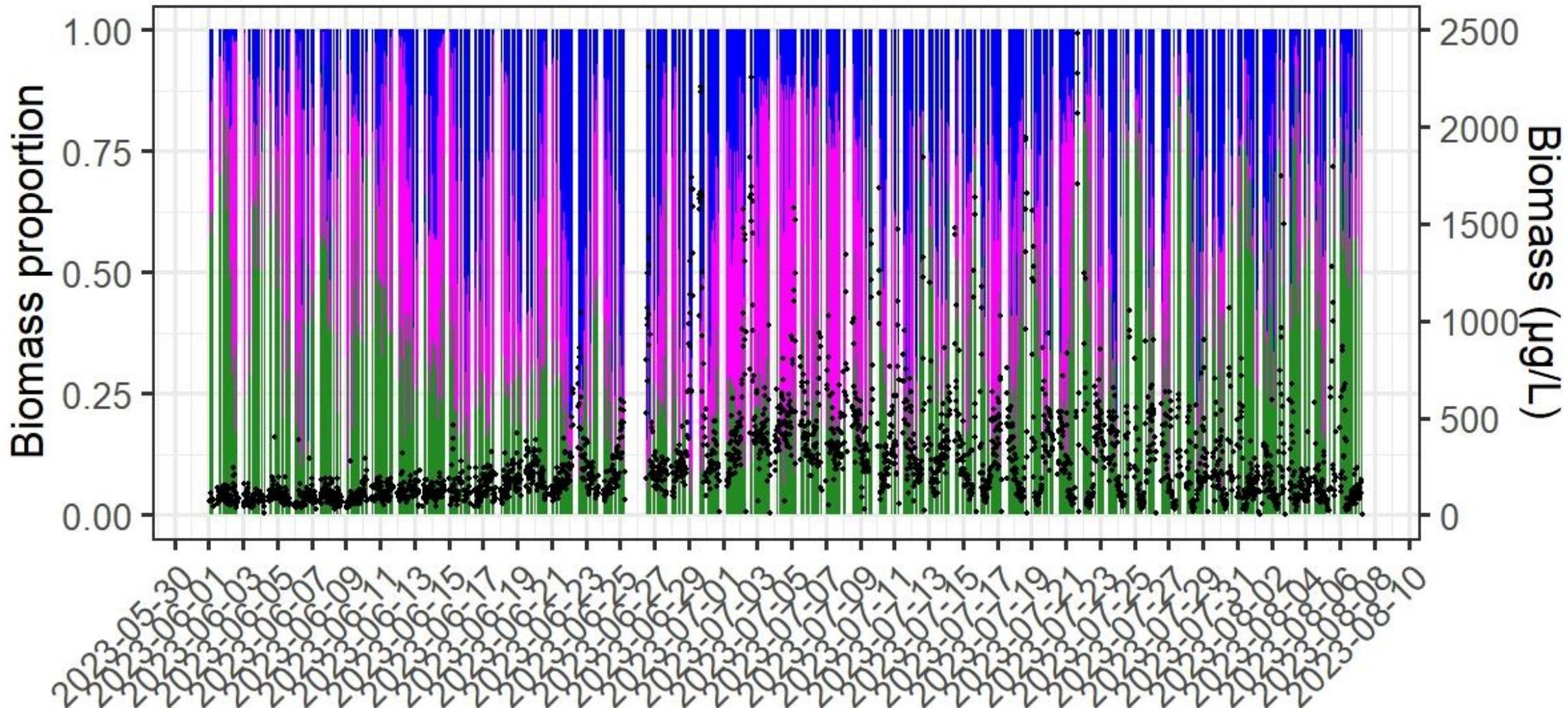
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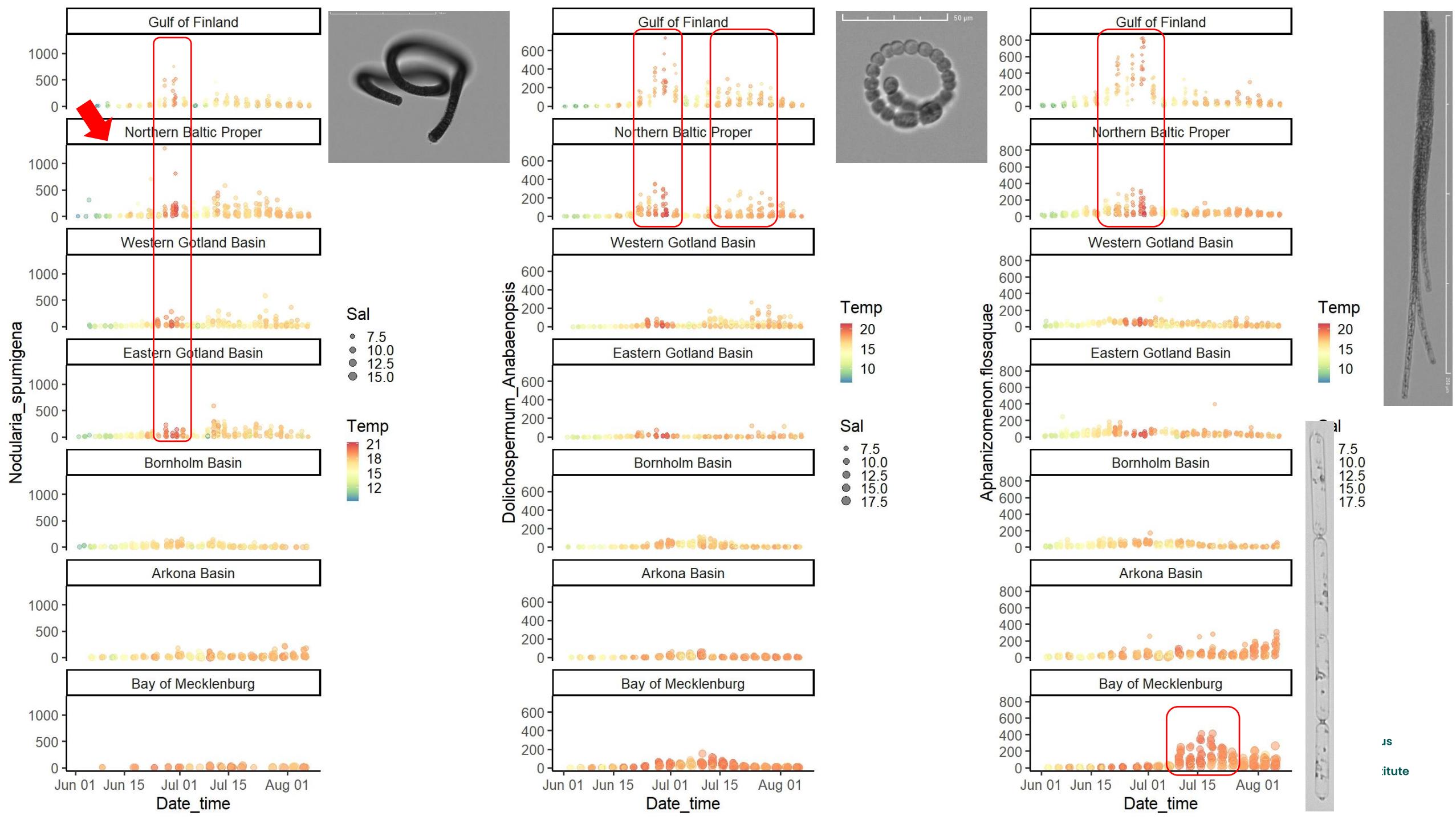
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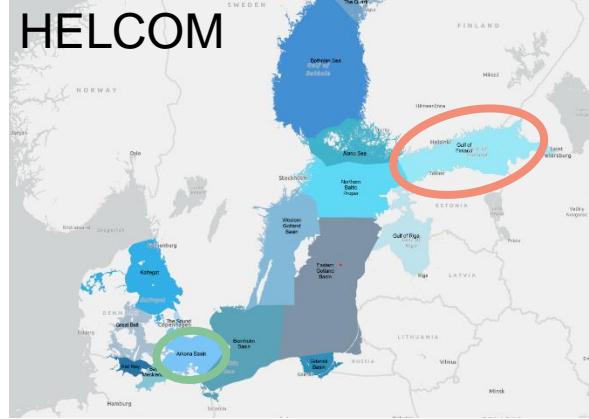
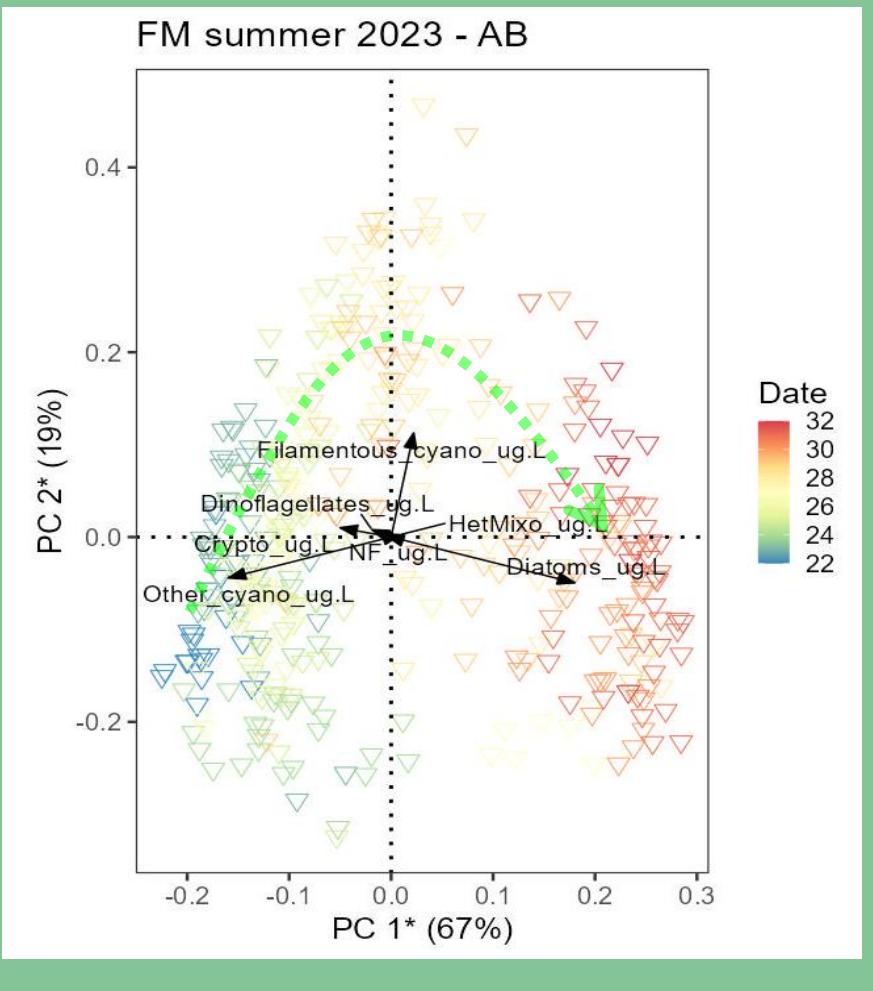
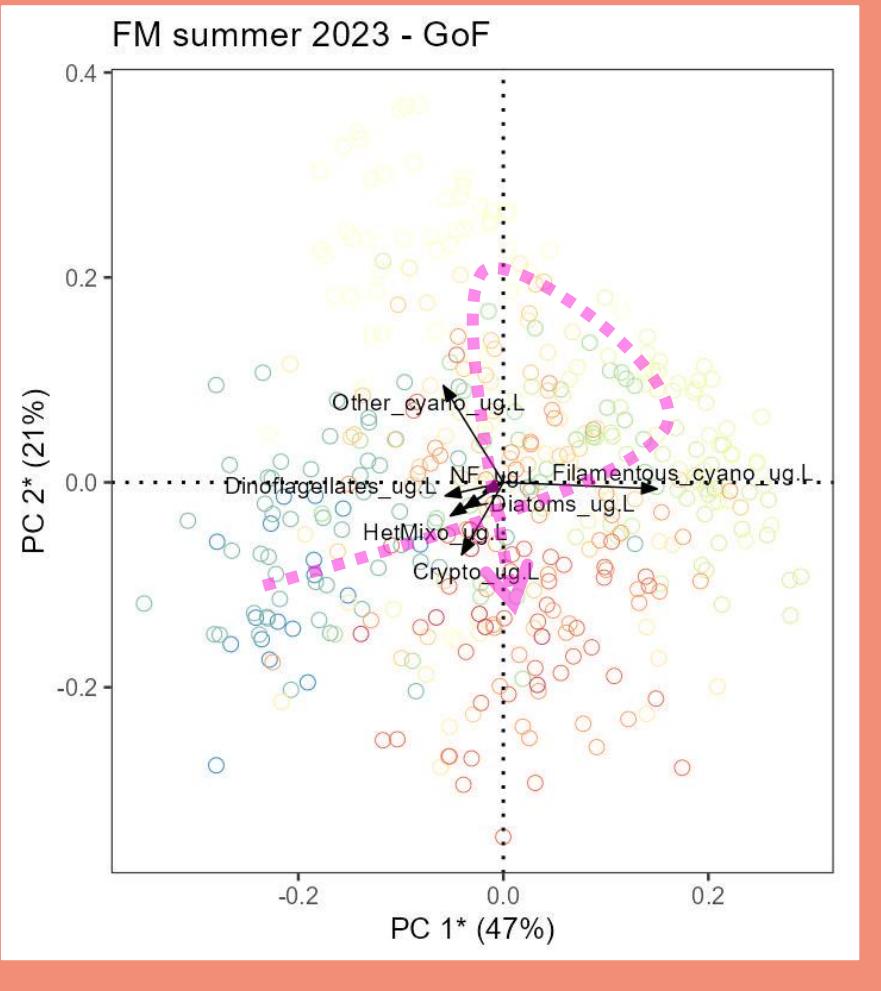
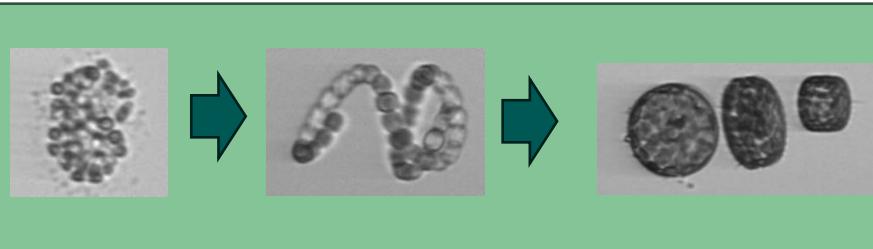
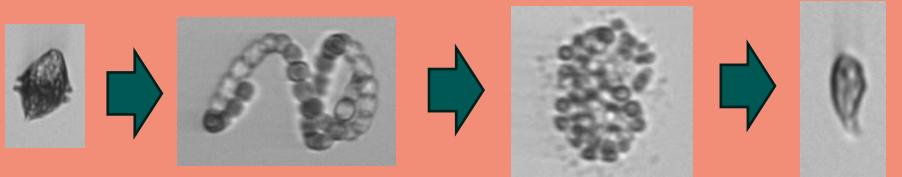
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Summer phytoplankton succession



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Summary

- FerryBox on SOOP: spatio-temporal variability
- Different niches:
 - *Aphanizomenon*:
 - Earlier bloomer
 - Highest biomass
 - *Dolichospermum*:
 - Following *Aphanizomenon*
 - Quick response to temp increase late July
 - *Nodularia*:
 - Modest and spotty biomass build up
 - Gotland Basin
- Community composition: different succession patterns sub-basins
 - Changes in functionality
 - Other phytoplankton can benefit from the fixed N₂

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