



Towards a MBON-ATN acoustic telemetry data project to map and monitor marine biodiversity hotspots

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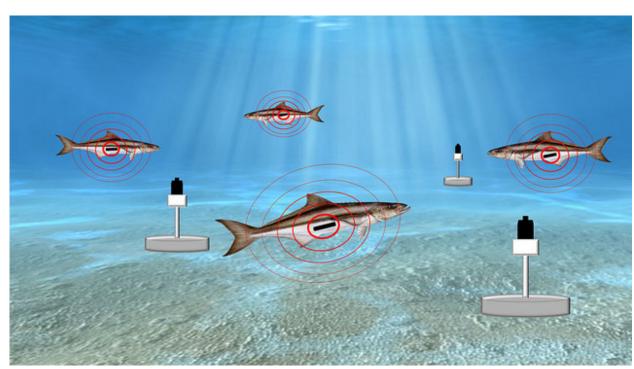




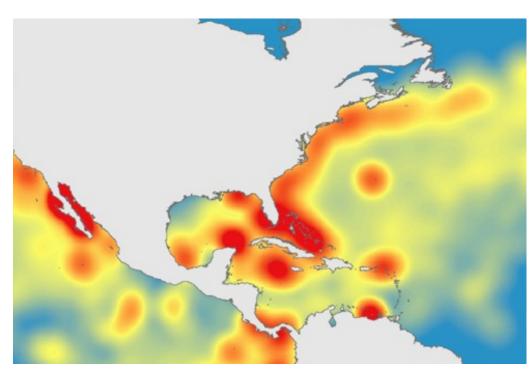


Overview of the Project

Assess and Monitor Marine Biodiversity Hotspots via Acoustic Animal Tracking







Source: Global Shark Movement Project









Accomplishments

- Identifying and hiring a postdoctoral researcher (Dr. Thiago Couto)
- Development of a data management plan with the Animal Telemetry Network
- Development of data contribution mechanism for coauthors
- Initiated data solicitating data contribution
- Selection of a spatial analysis methodology









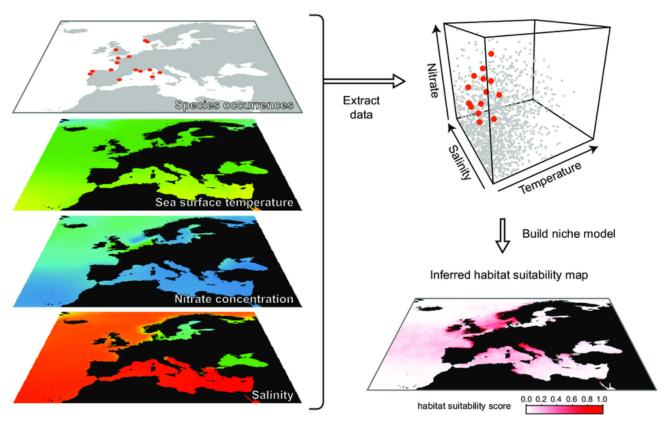


Challenges and Looking Ahead

• Challenges: Finding post-doc

Year 2 objectives:

- Create and map shared multi-species hotspots
- Map hotspot areas protected from and vulnerable to exploitation
- Create and disseminate visualizations
- Preparation of a peer-reviewed scientific paper



Source: Marcelino & Verbruggen 2015. Journal of Phycology







