

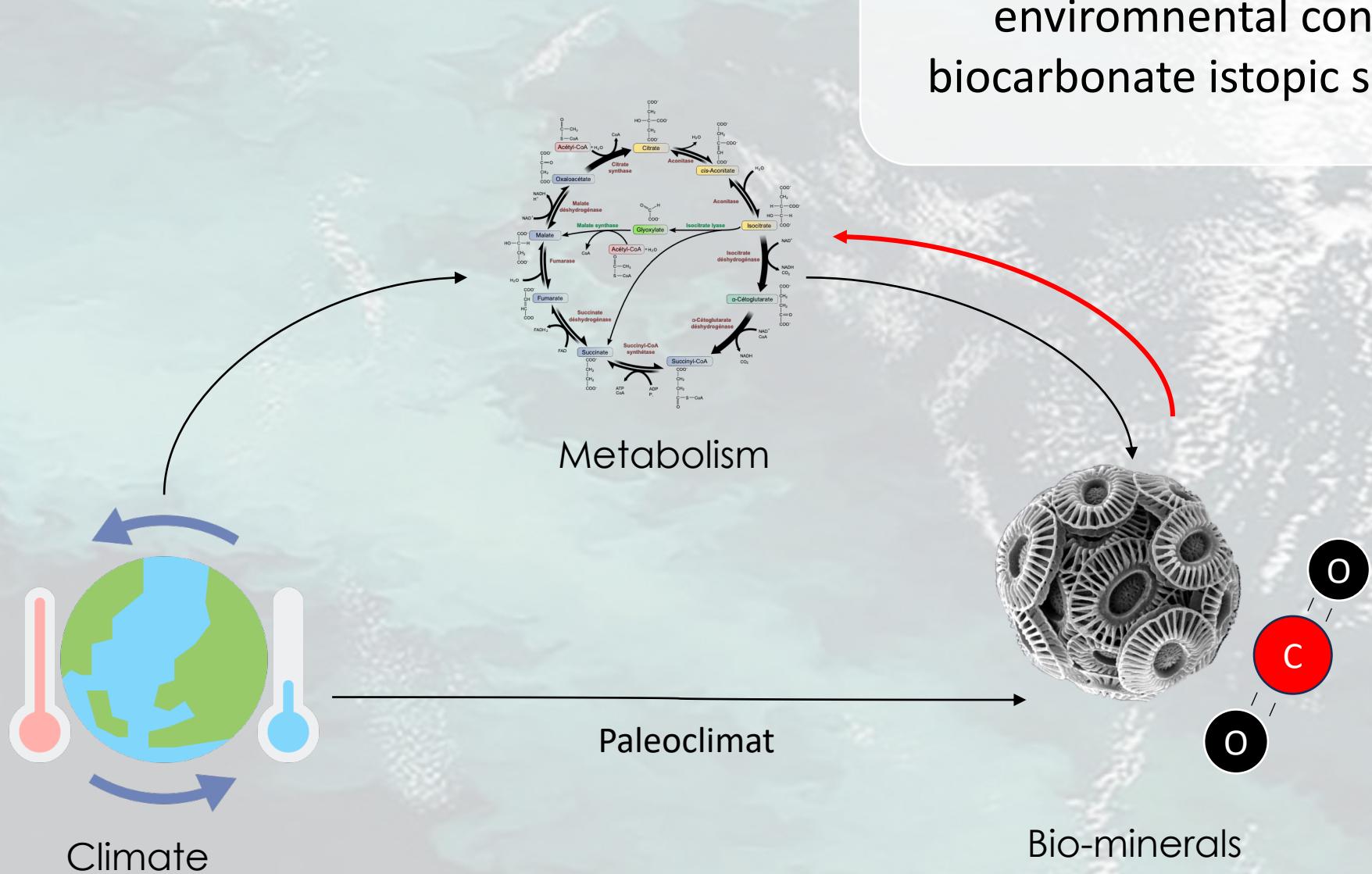
Studying the link between photosynthesis and coccolites production from calcium carbonate isotopic anomalies

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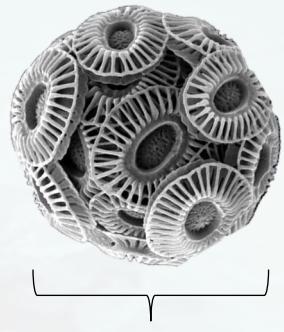
I. General approche

How dissociate biological from environmental control on biocarbonate isotopic signature ?



I. Case study: Coccolithophores

Emiliania huxleyi



5-8 µm

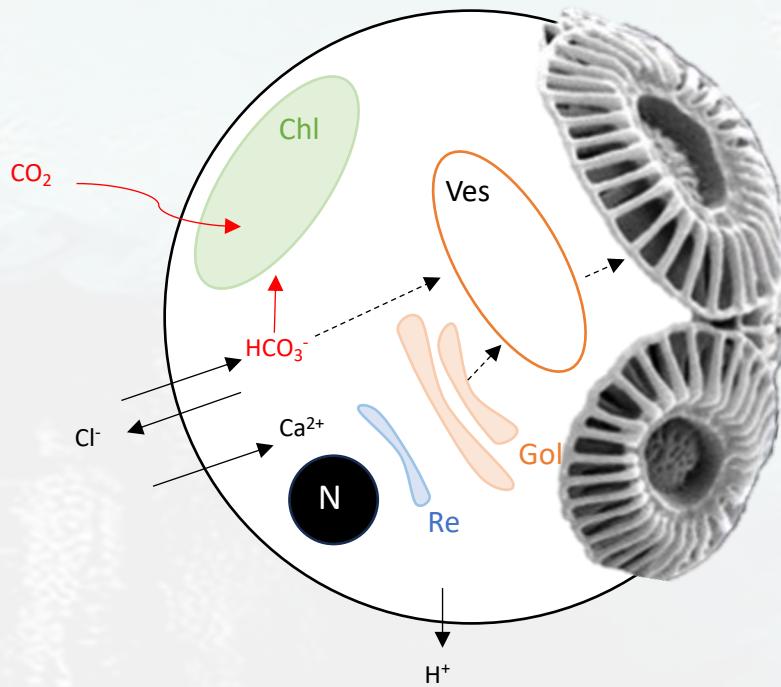
- **Type:** phytoplankton (unicellular algae)
 - Primary producer
 - Photosynthetic (capture of CO₂)
- **Living environment:** Ocean sub-surface
- **Fossil record:** Trias
- Resistance to P_{CO₂} elevation

Etretat (Cretaceous)

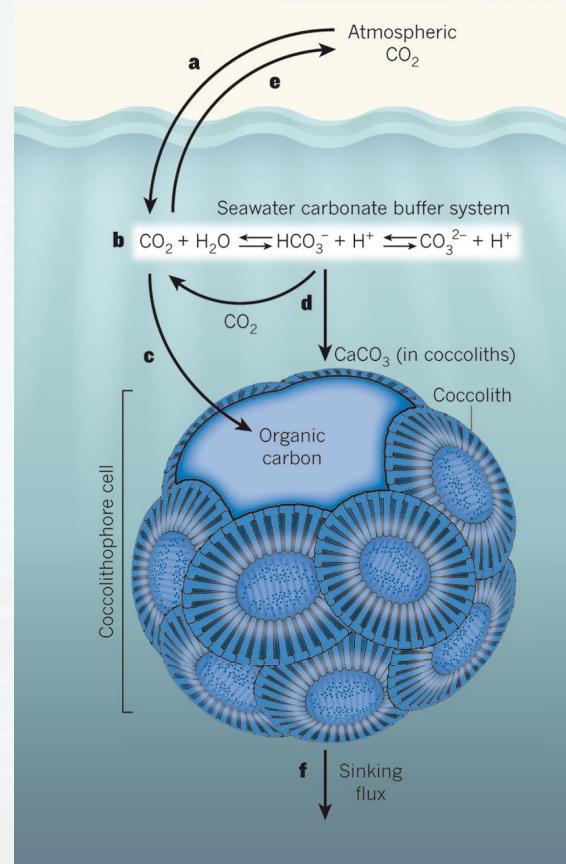


II. Case study: Coccolithophores

Major Role in atmospheric carbon removal



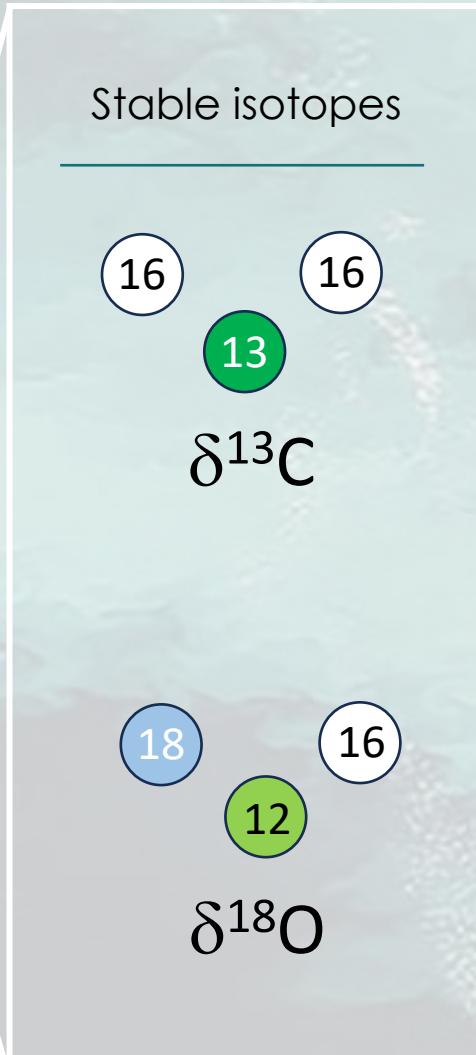
Intracellular production of CaCO_3



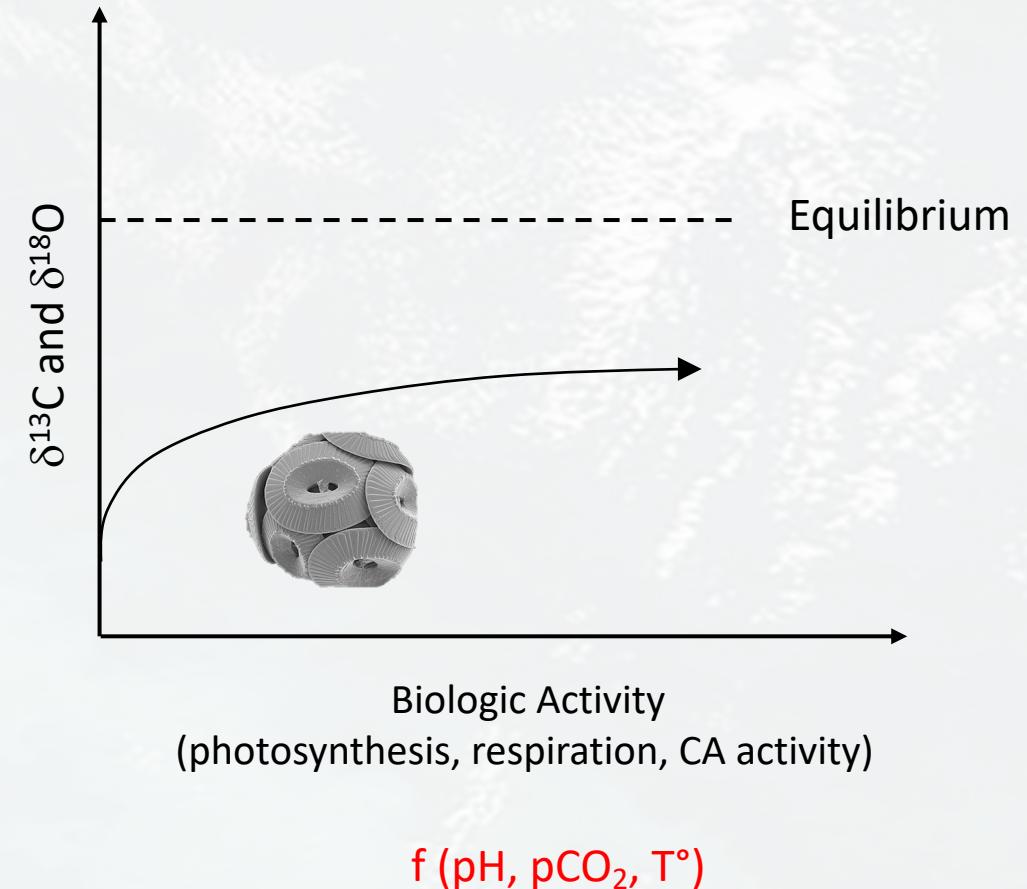
1. How do coccolithophores mineralize?

2. How environmental changes control their production?

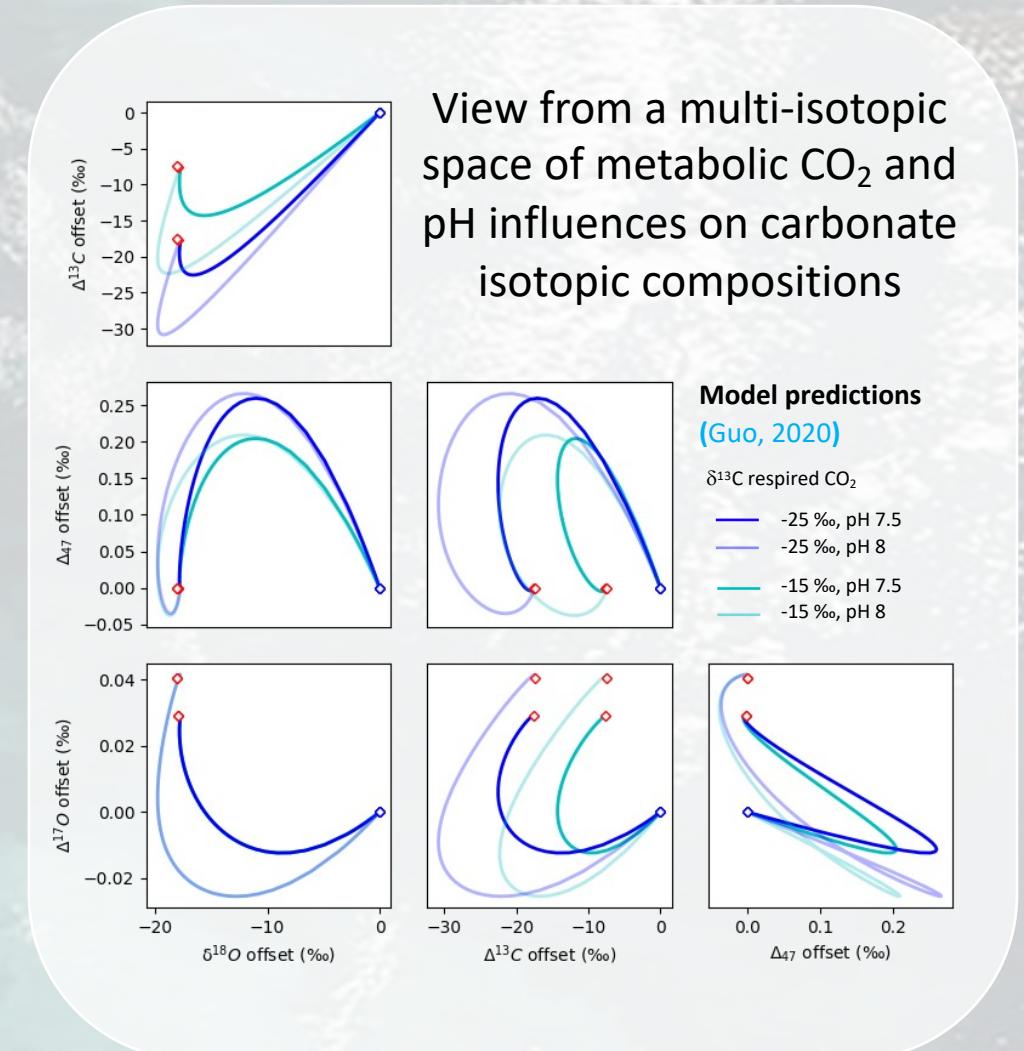
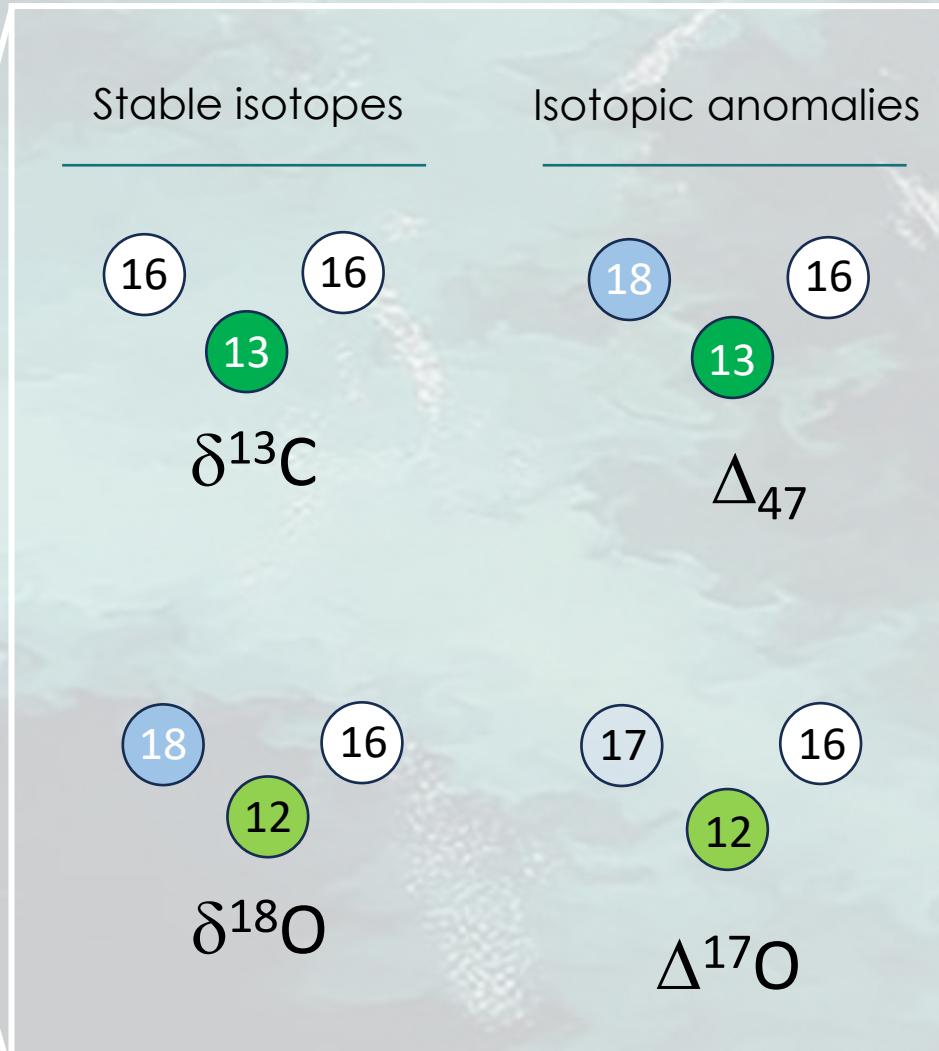
II. Tools: Stable isotopes (O and C)



Multifactorial control on coccolith
isotopic compositions



II. Tools: isotopic anomalies (Δ_{47} and $\Delta^{17}\text{O}$)



III. Strategy

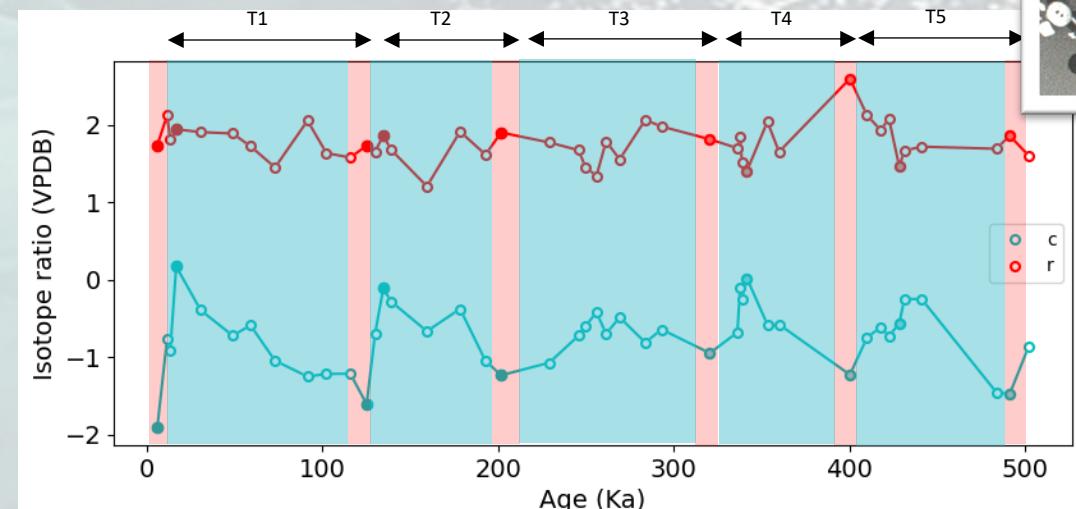
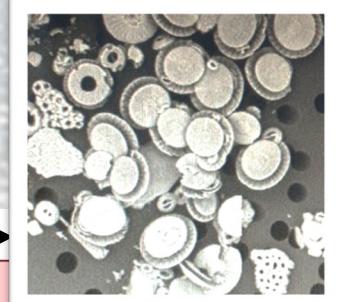
1. To establish a model (culture)



D. Chevrier

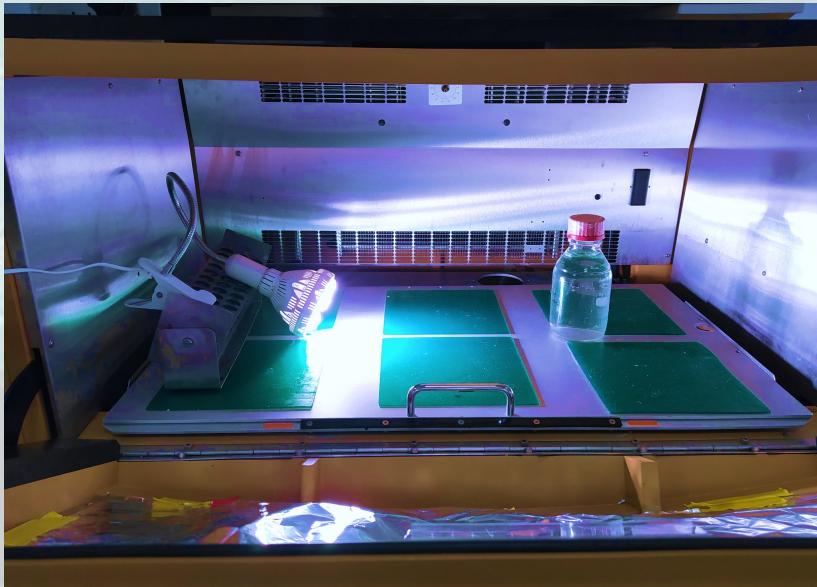


2. Applications (sedimentary record)



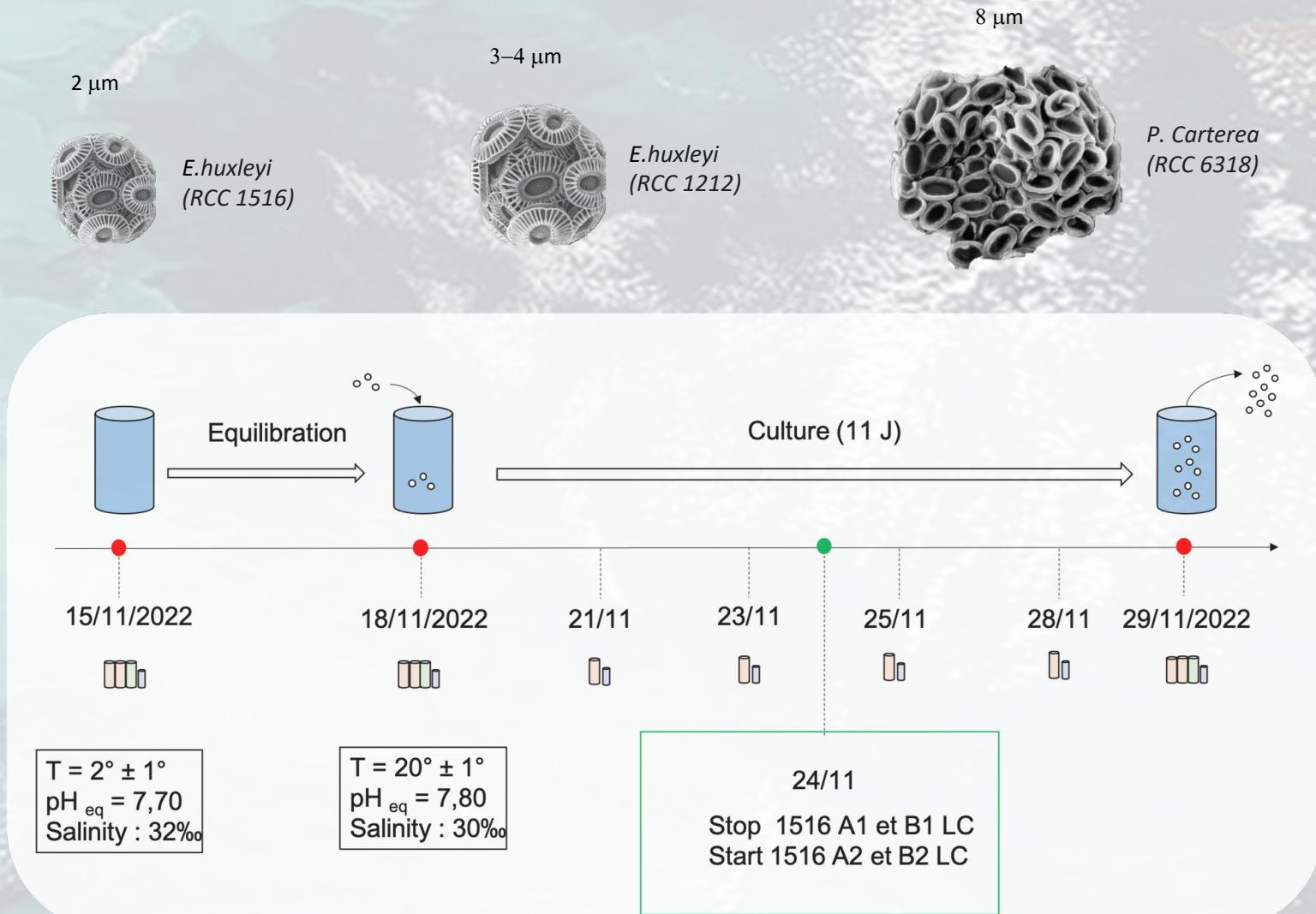
Last galcial-interglacial cycles (IODP 762)

III. Culture strategy

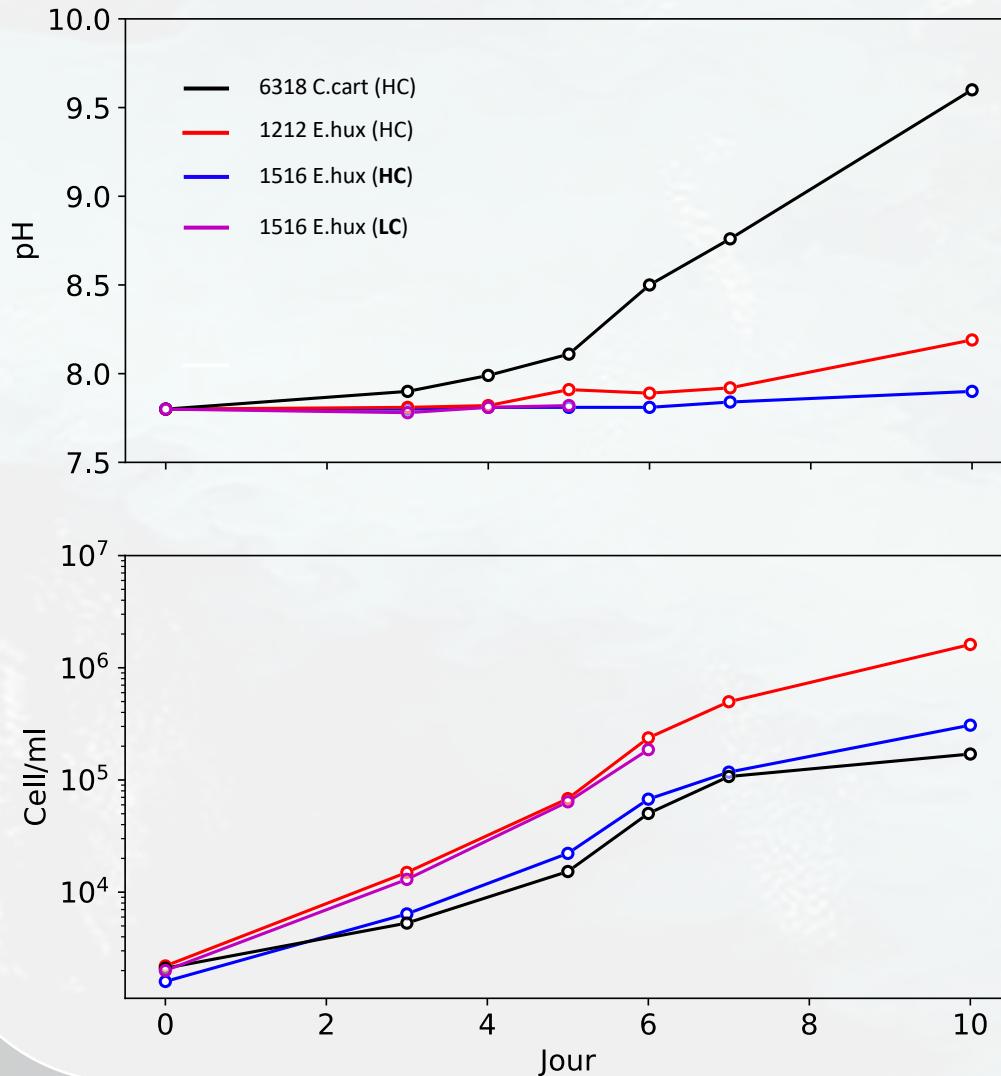


Fixed: T° , pCO_2 , luminosity, salinity

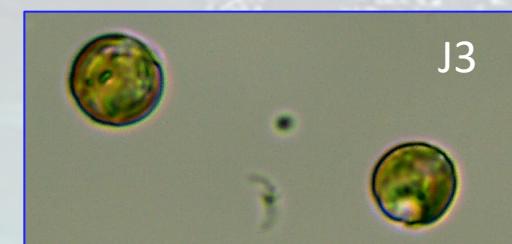
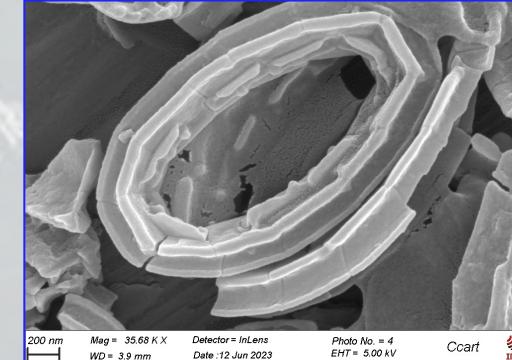
Variabile: species, cell size, cell constrastion



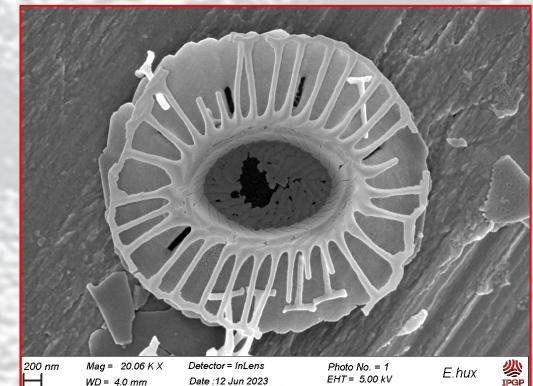
III. Monitoring (cell size, pH, cell concentrat°)



P. carterea



E. huxleyi



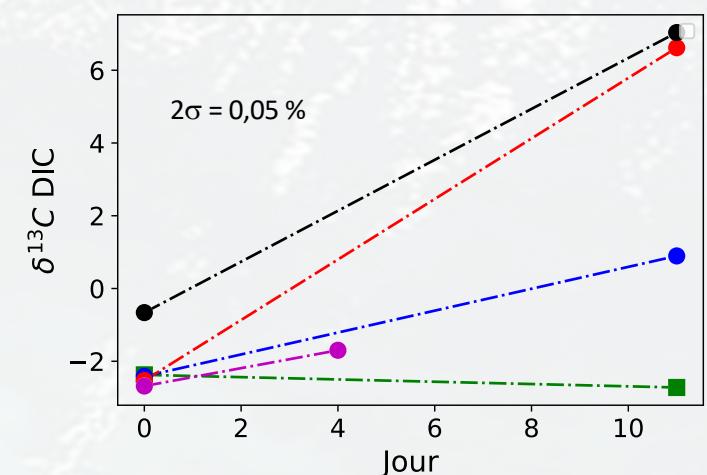
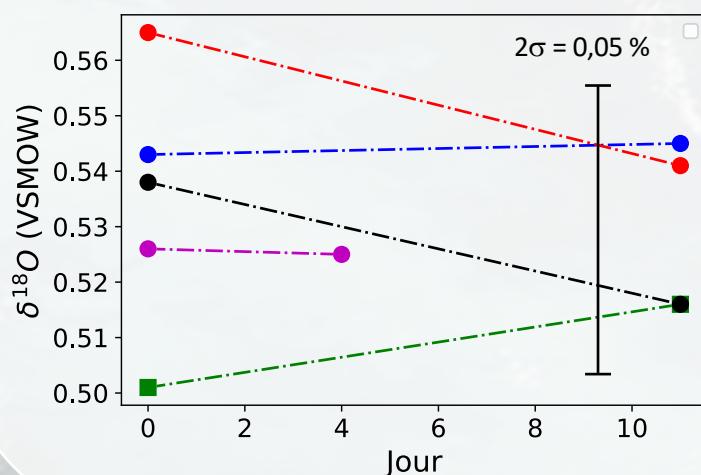
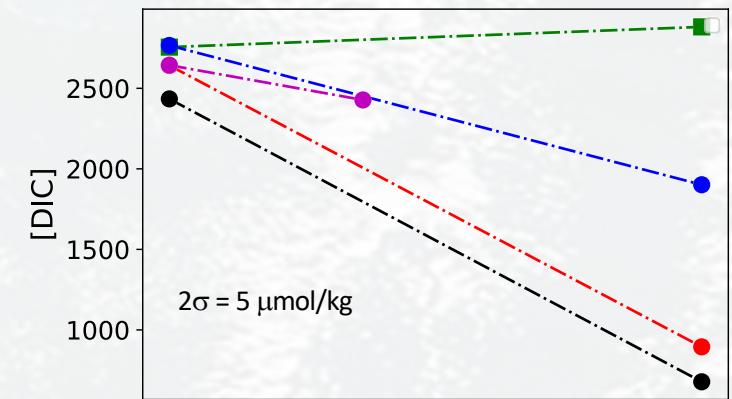
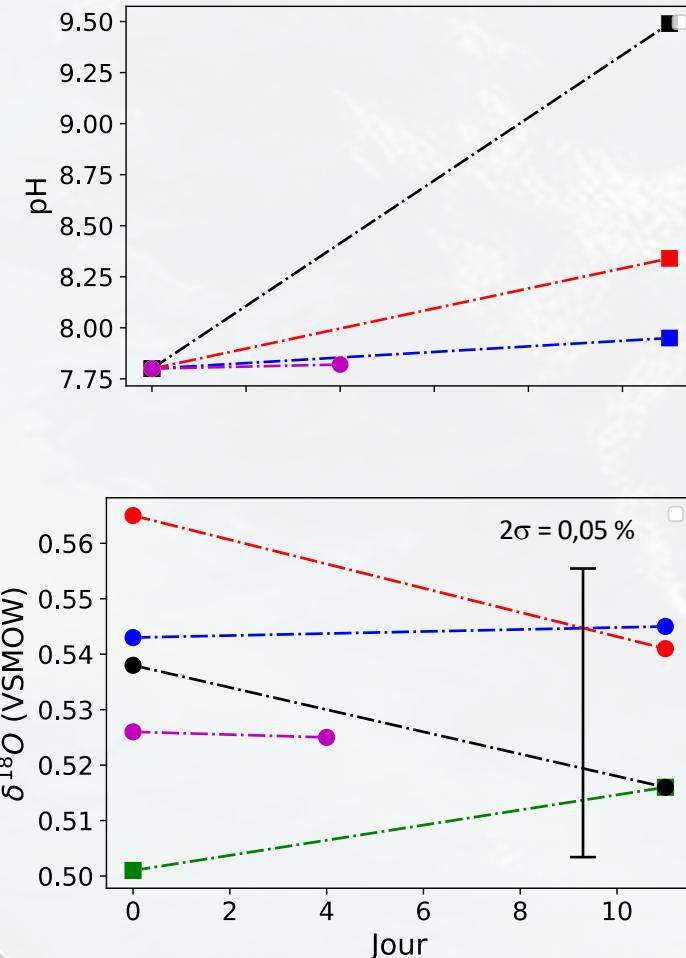
IV. Monitoring ($[DIC]$, TA, $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{w}}$, $\delta^{13}\text{C}_{\text{DIC}}$)



- Big cell (*P.cart*)
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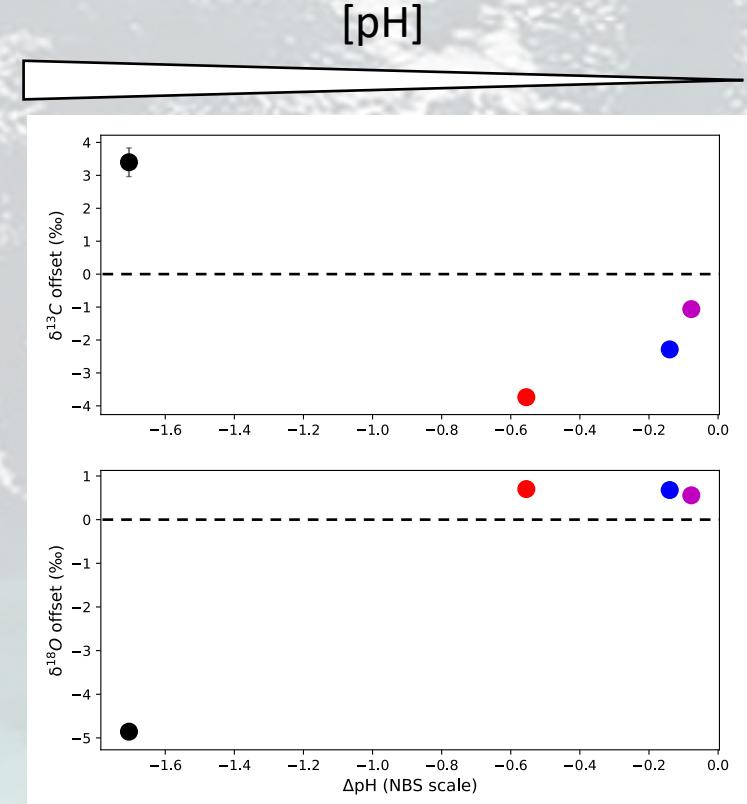
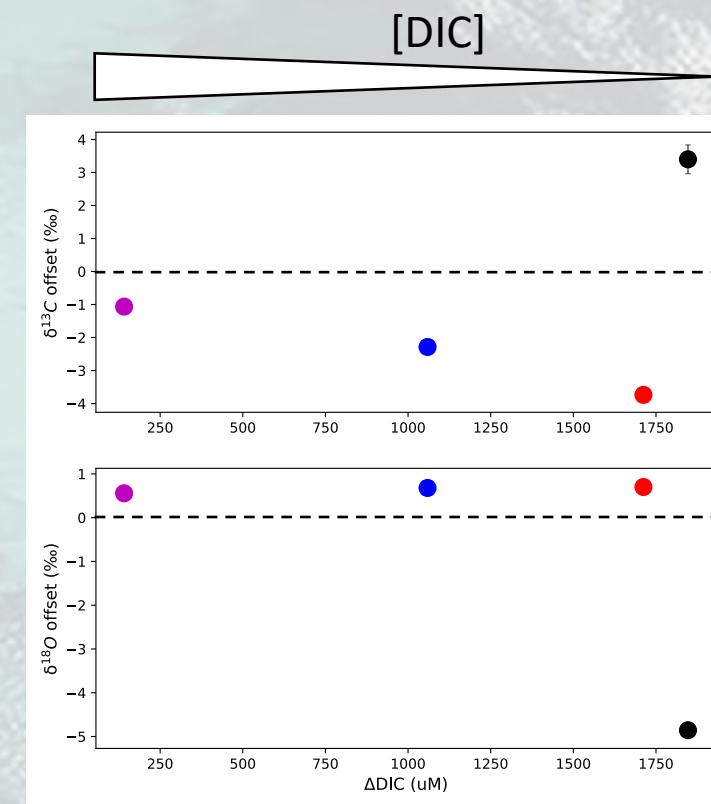
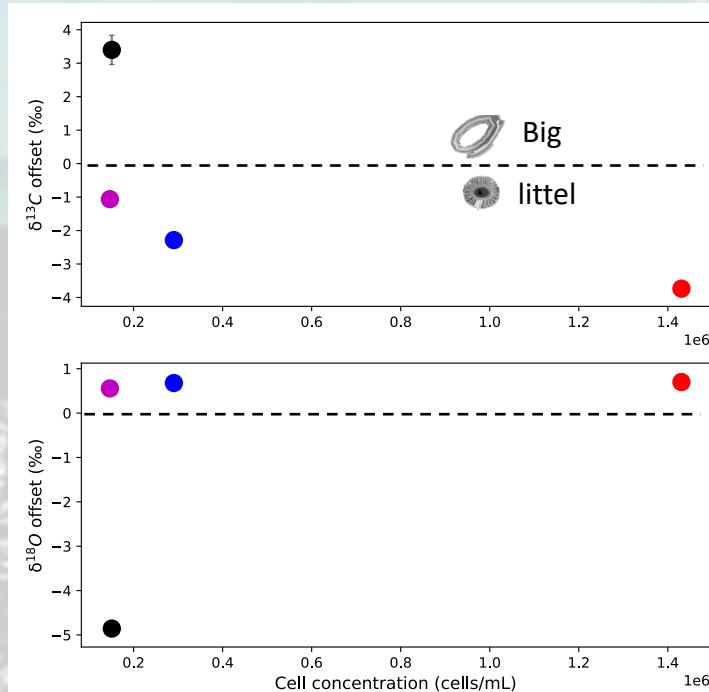


Laser CRDS Picasso



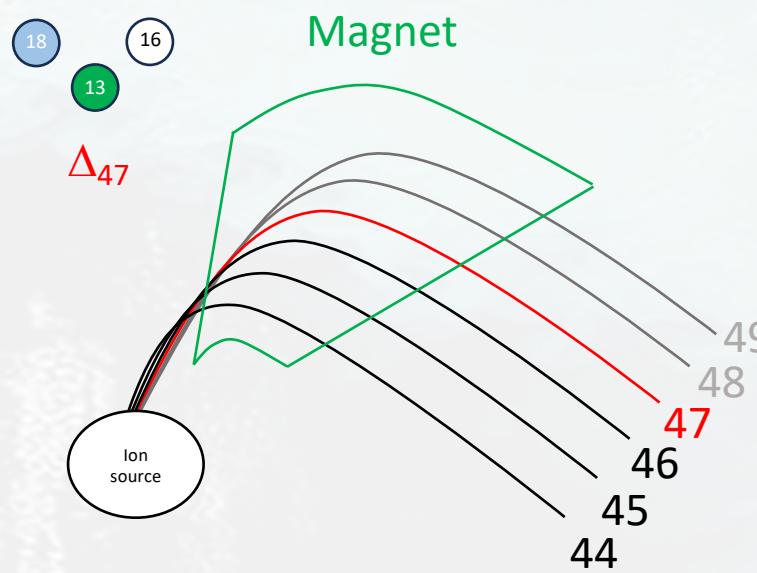
IV. Stable isotope results ($\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{18}\text{O}$)

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IV. Δ_{47} measurements

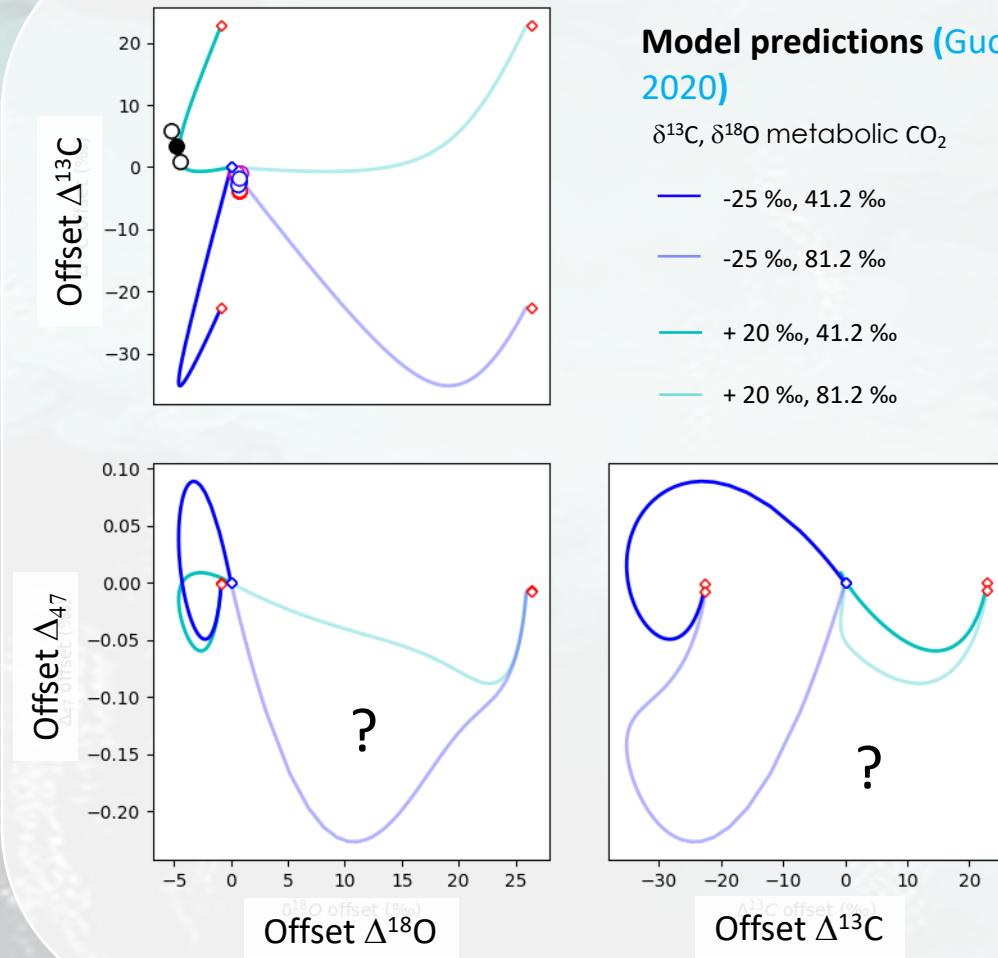
Isoprime 100 dual-inlet equipped
with 6 Faraday collectors



Carbonate preparation line



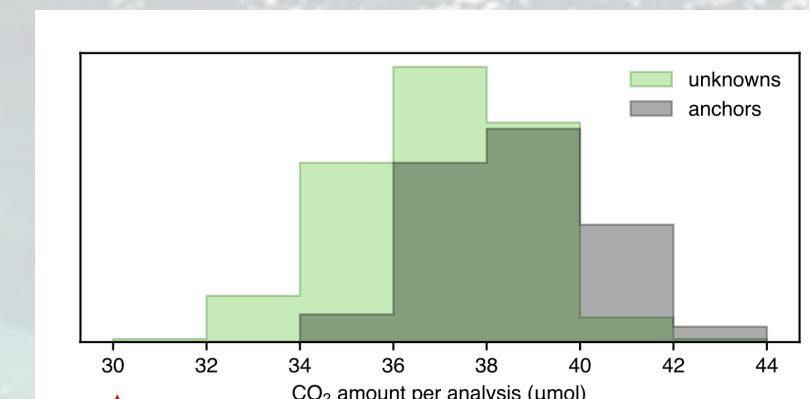
IV. Challenge for coccoliths Δ_{47} measurements



Work in progress

Normal mass requirement: 30 mg

$$2 \text{ SD } \Delta_{47} = 8.1 \text{ ppm} \simeq 1.9^\circ\text{C}$$



Objective: 25% reduction of mass requirement for Coccoliths Δ_{47} measurements



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Determination of isotopic anomalies



Culture
experiment



Sedimentary
record



S. Duchamp



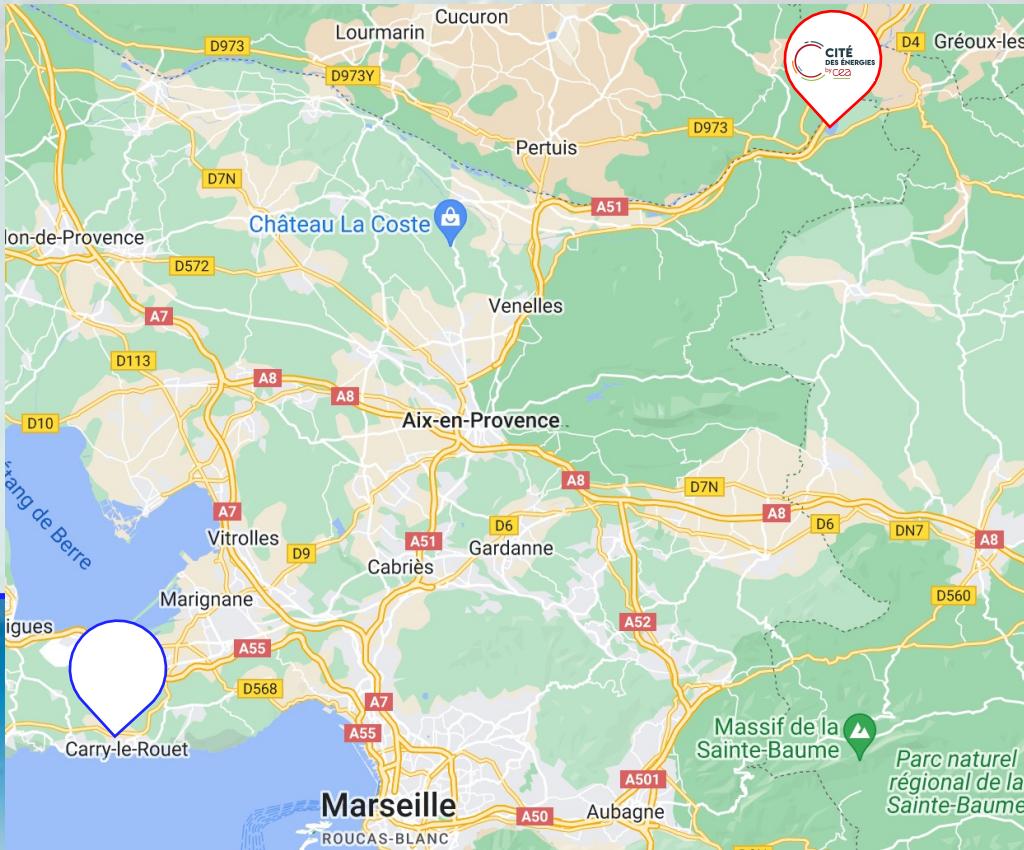
M.Tremblin



S.Le Houedec

III. Facilities for culture experiment (BIAM)

Carry le Rouet



BIAM (MEM team)



To go futher : Measurements with VCOF CRDS

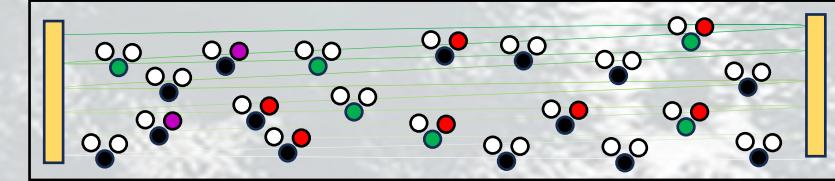
Laser Source



VCOF



CRDS



Spectre d'absorption

