



# Será o pescado afetado pelas alterações climáticas?

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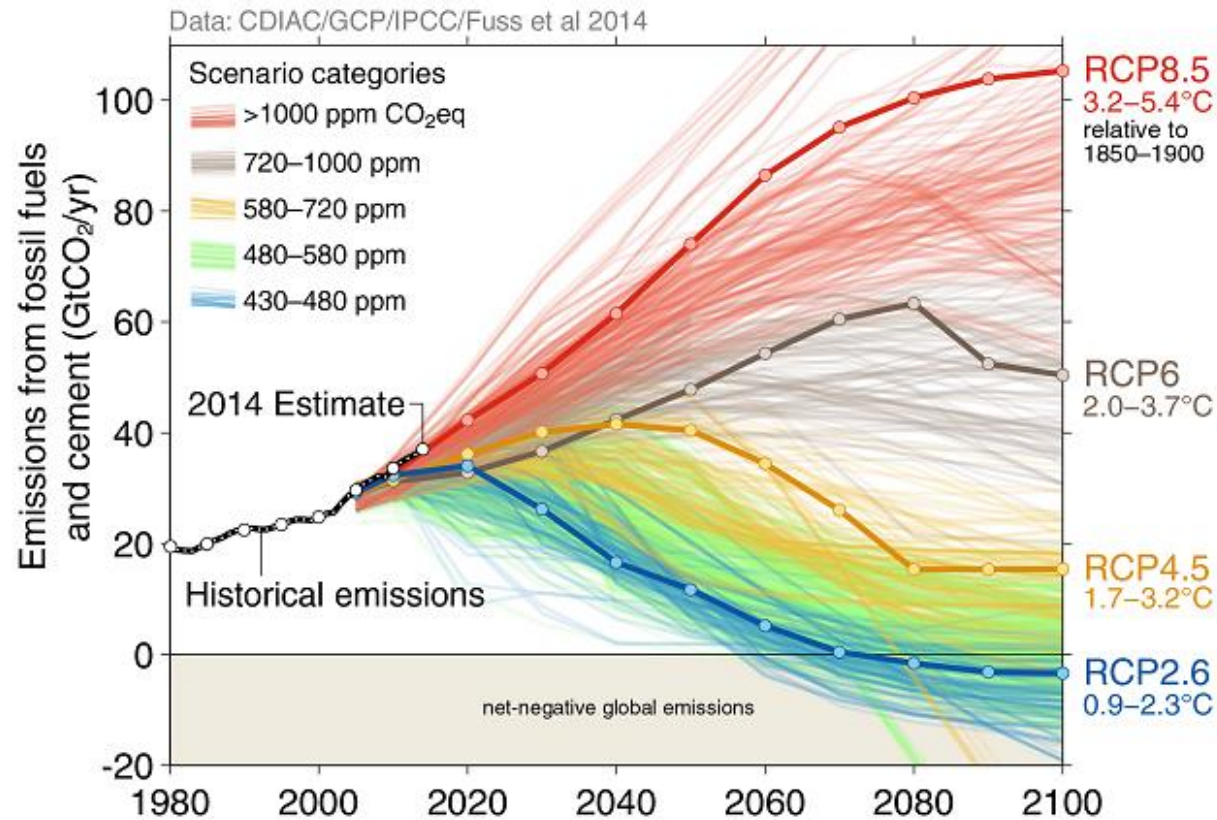


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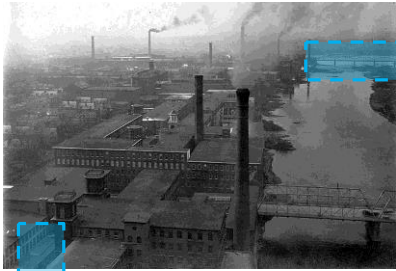
## Climate change scenarios





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## 1.1. CHEMICAL CONTAMINATION



Monitoring of regulated pollutants  
(e.g. Hg, Cd and Pb)

***What about non-regulated ones?***

## 1.2. CLIMATE CHANGE



**REMARKABLE IMPACTS IN  
COASTAL ENVIRONMENTS!**

Species physiological status,  
metabolism, welfare and survival

# 1. Introduction

## Non-Regulated contaminants

### Endocrine disruptors



### Toxins from HAB



### Personal care products



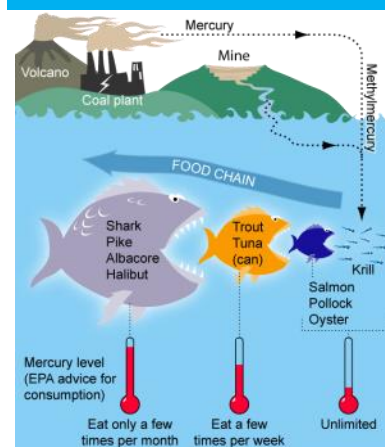
### Marine litter and others



### Pharmaceuticals



### Toxic metals speciation



### Brominated flame retardants

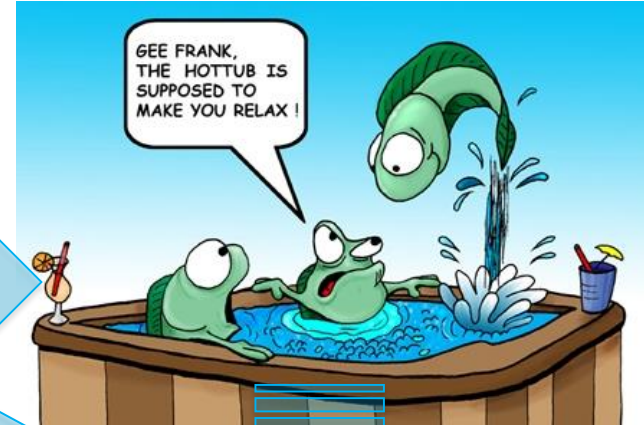


### Perfluorinated compounds



# 1. Introduction

## Linking climate change and pollution...



**WILL SPECIES' ABILITY TO COPE WITH  
CHEMICAL CONTAMINANTS BE AFFECTED?**

- ✓ Speciation
- ✓ Fate and transfer from water column to sediment and vice-versa
- ✓ Toxicity

HUMAN PERSPECTIVE...

**WILL WE EAT THE SAME?**

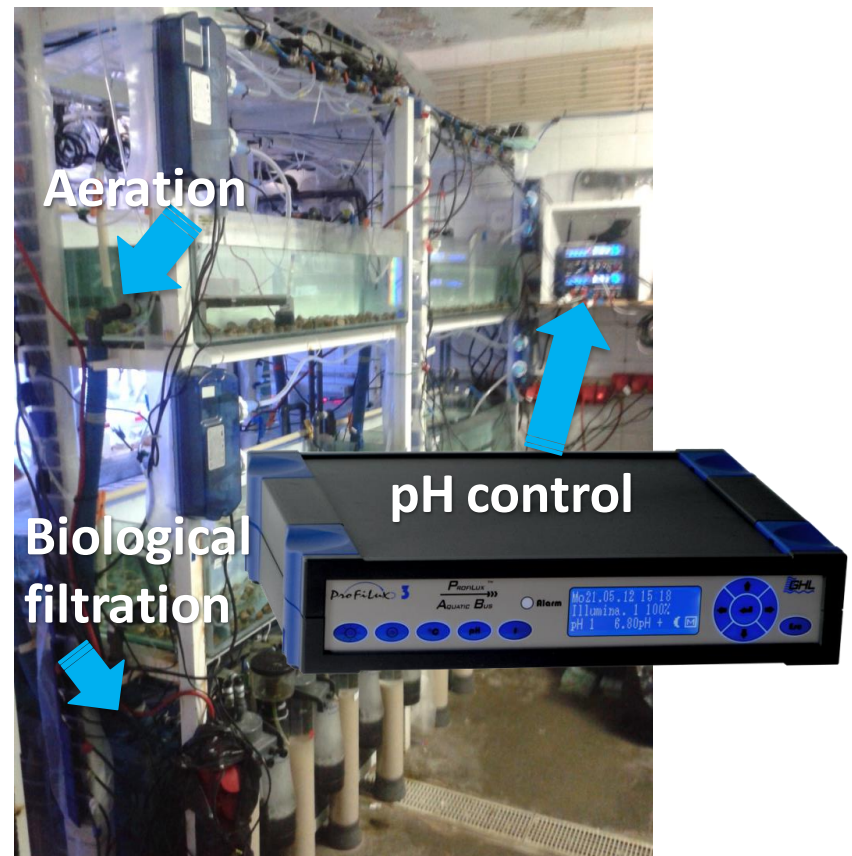
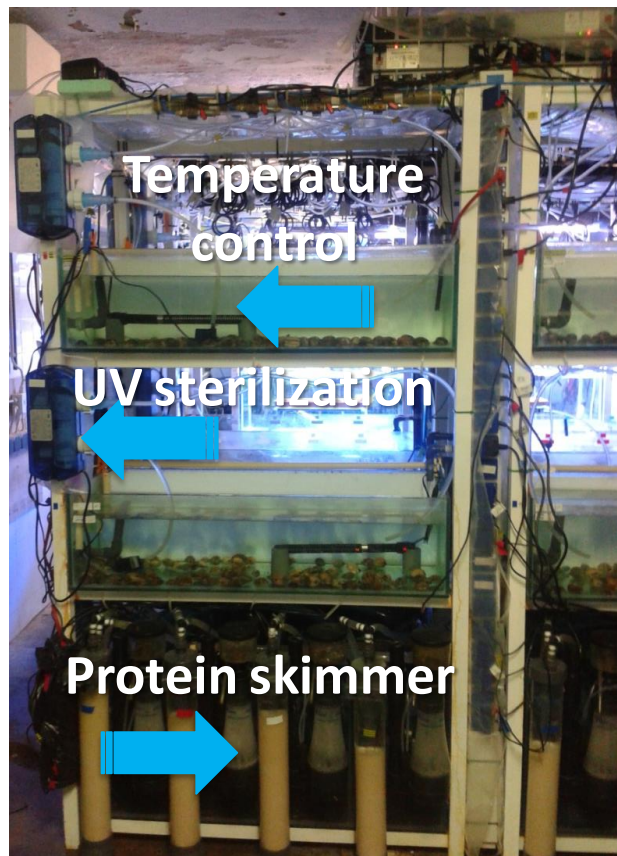




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## How to simulate Climate change scenarios?

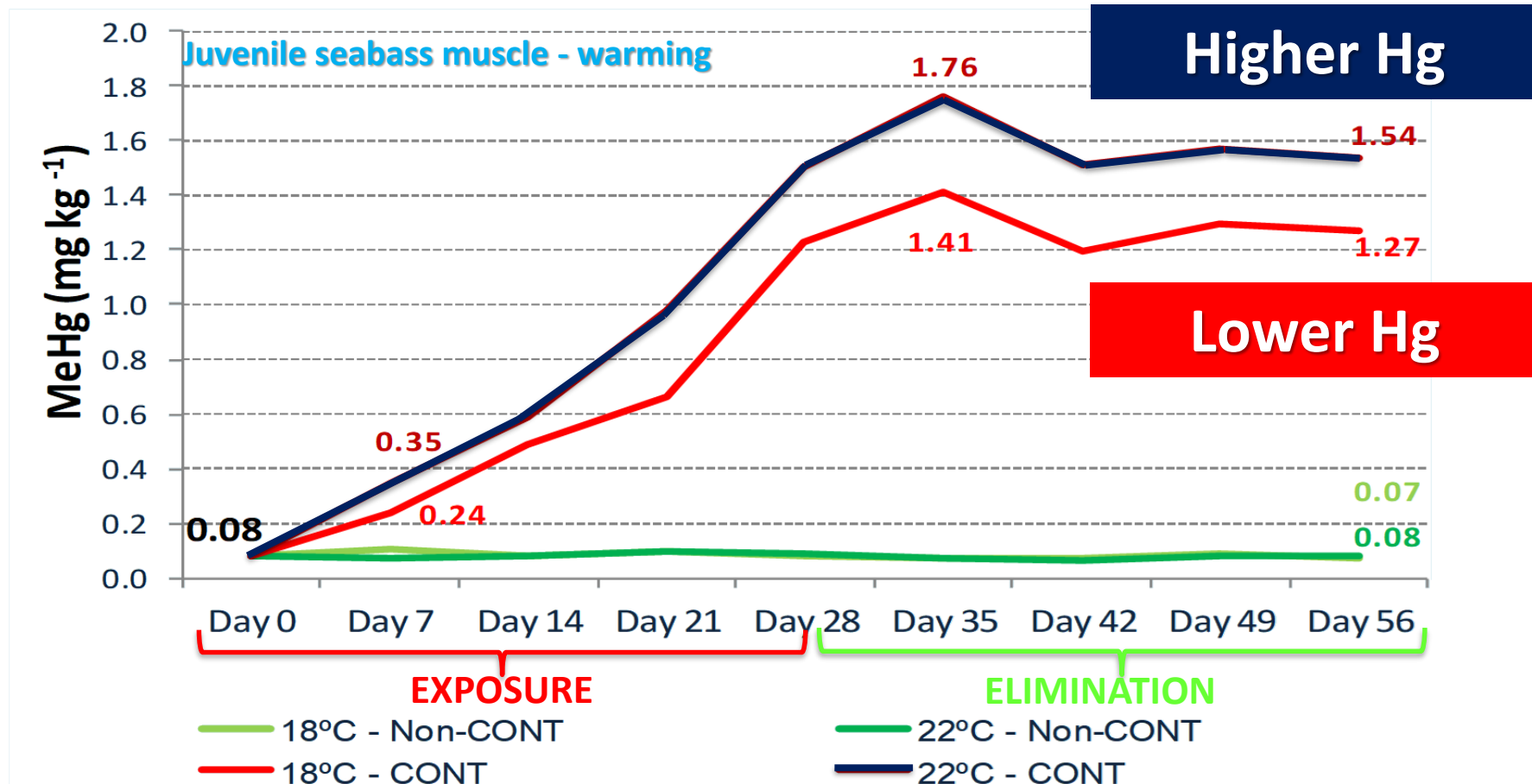
Recirculation system to simulate climate change effects





## 2. Organic Mercury

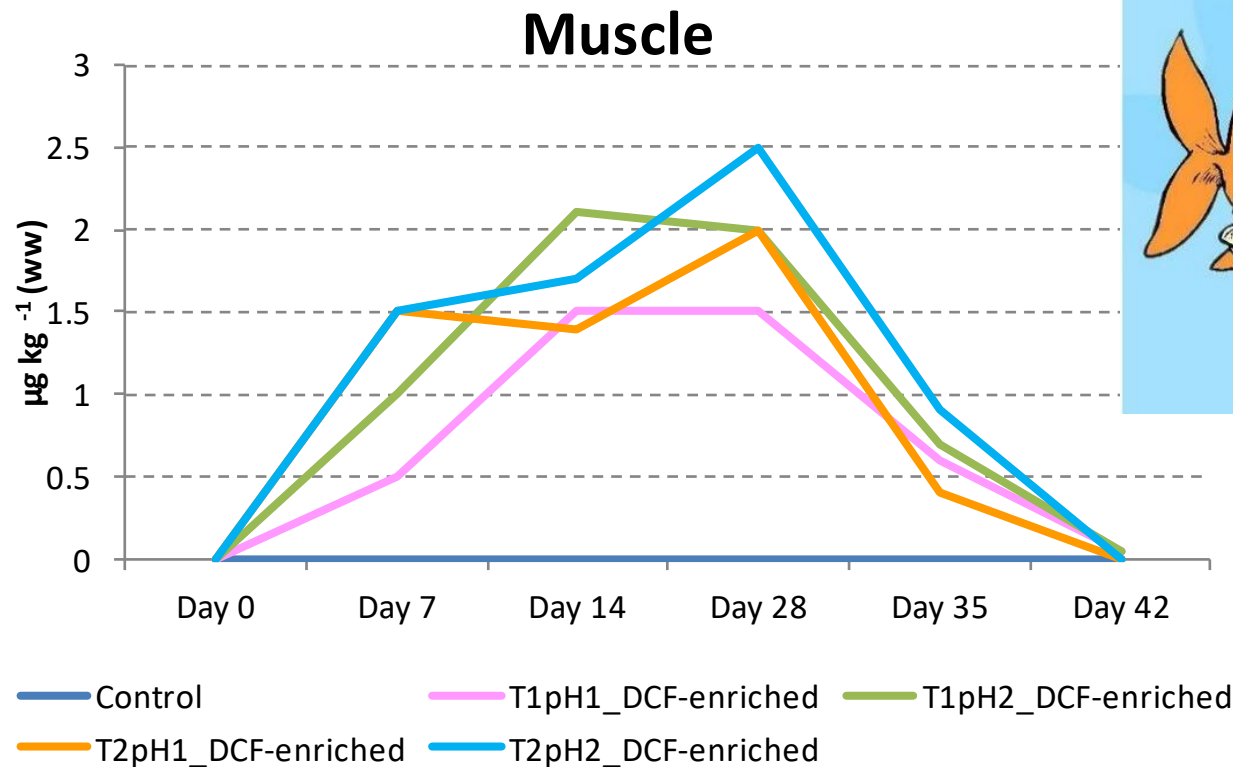
Organic Hg is the most toxic form of Hg and the main route of exposure is through seafood consumption



# 3. Pharmaceuticals (DCF)

Anti-inflammatory drug widely detected in sewage treatment plant effluents

Juvenile seabass – warming/acidification



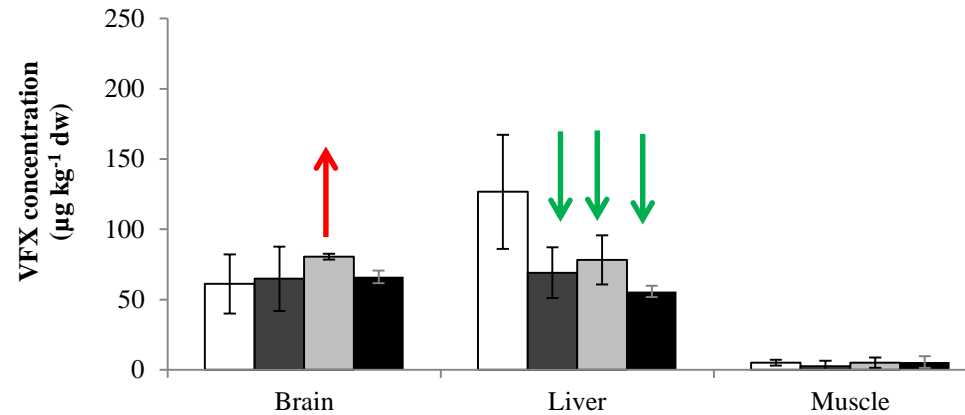
✓ DCF bioaccumulation and elimination data inconclusive – DCF metabolization data required!

# 3. Pharmaceuticals (VFX)

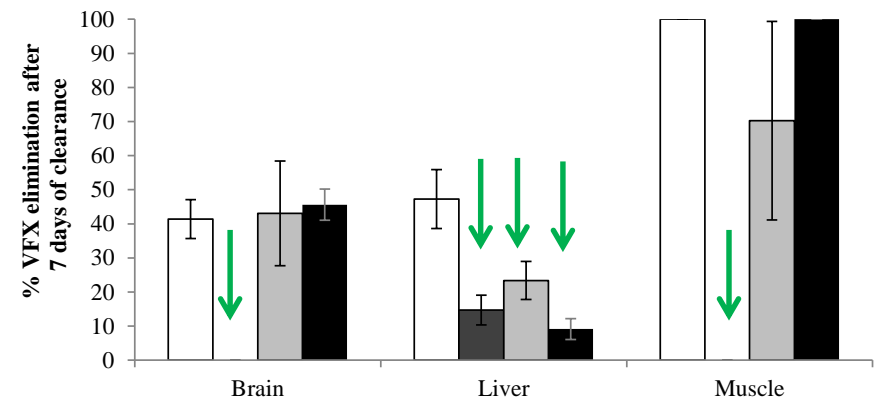
Antidepressant frequently detected in the environment

Juvenile meagre – warming/acidification

Day 28



Day 35



□ VFX    ■ VFX + Acidification    ■ VFX + Warming    ■ VFX + Acidification + Warming

- ✓ Warming and Acidification decreased [VFX] in liver
- ✓ Warming alone increased [VFX] in brain
- ✓ No differences in muscle
- ✓ No elimination in brain and muscle under Acidification and lower elimination in liver





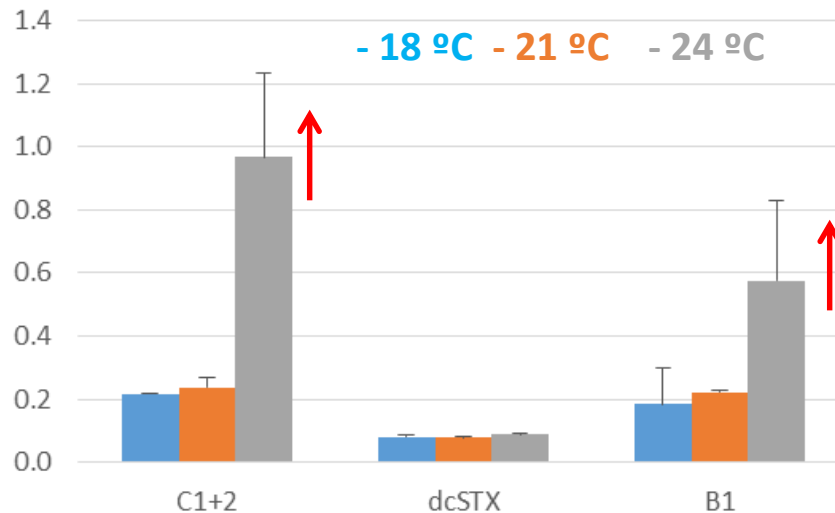
# 4. Paralytic shellfish toxins (PSTs)

## Potent neurotoxins

Accumulation in  
seabream - warming

- day 1, 2 and 3 PSTs not detected
- PSTs only detected at day 4 & 5 (maximum exposure period)

Day 5:



Higher accumulation at 24°C

C1+2 and B1 most abundant  
PST's analogues



The most abundant toxin  
analogues in seabream were  
the same as in feed

Depuration



day 1, 2,3 and 5 PSTs not detected

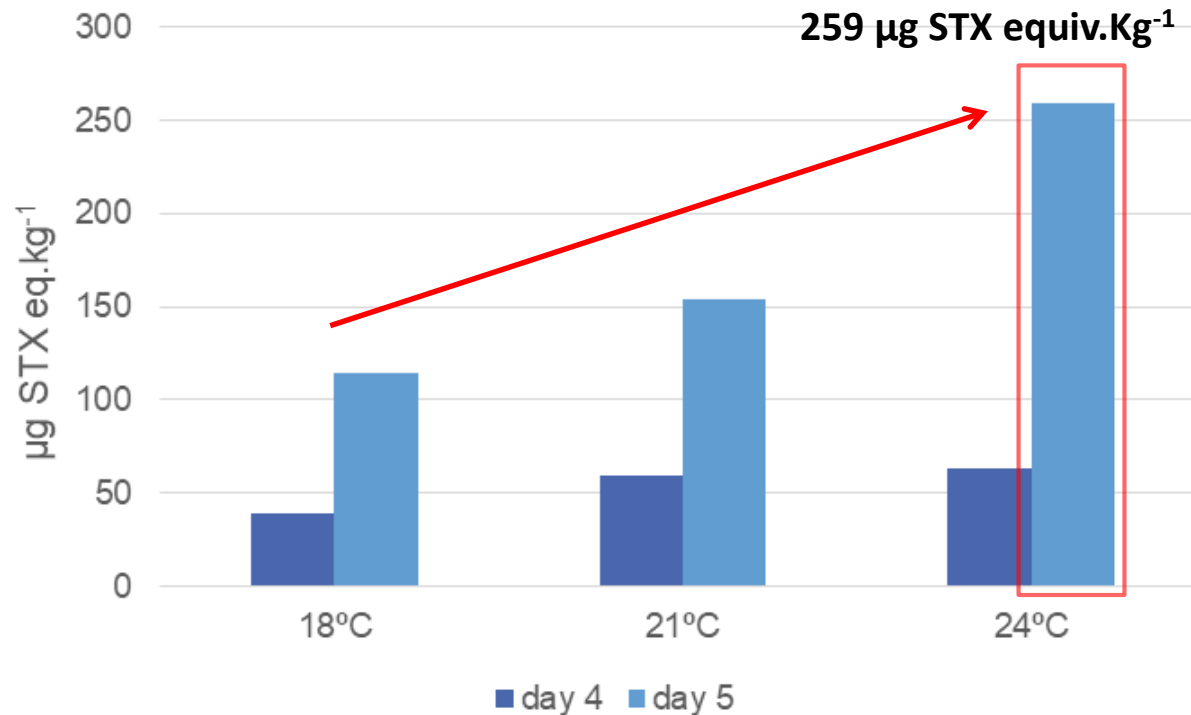


rapidly eliminated  
within 24h

# 4. Paralytic shellfish toxins (PSTs)

STX-group toxins toxicology: based on toxicity equivalency factors (TEFs) the toxicity of the detected analogues were calculated and expressed as as STX equivalents

	TEFs
C1+2	0.1
dcSTX	1.0
B1	0.1



< 800 µg STX eq/kg

Commission  
Regulation (EC) No  
853/2004

# 5. Contaminant mixtures

## Psychiatric drugs mixtures bioaccumulation in mussels

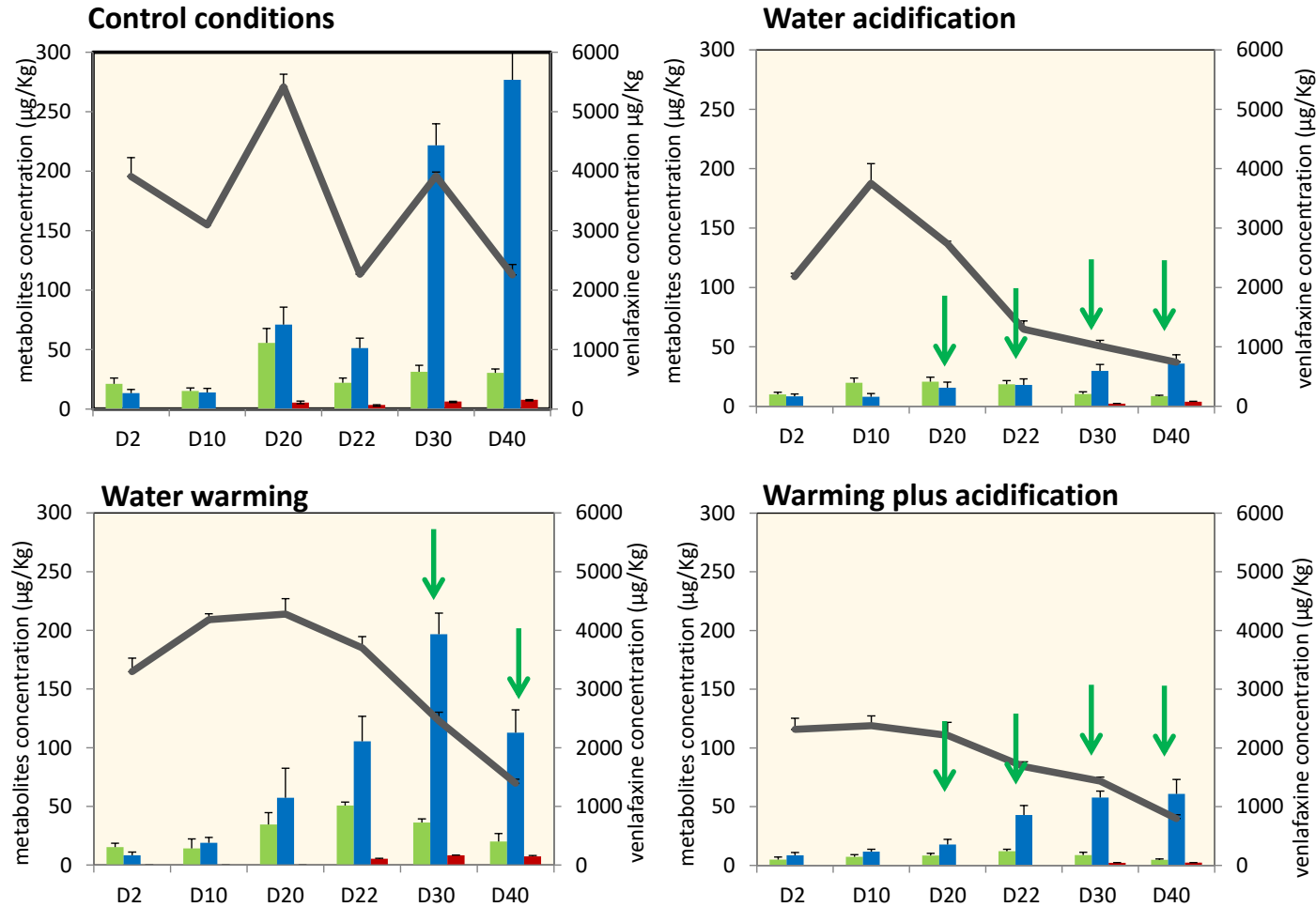
Treatments	Control conditions	Water Acidification	Water Warming	Warming plus acidification
Compounds				
Carbamazepine	28	26	35↑	26
Venlafaxine	522	224 ↓	409↓	208 ↓
Citalopram	2755	1085 ↓	1746 ↓	1005 ↓



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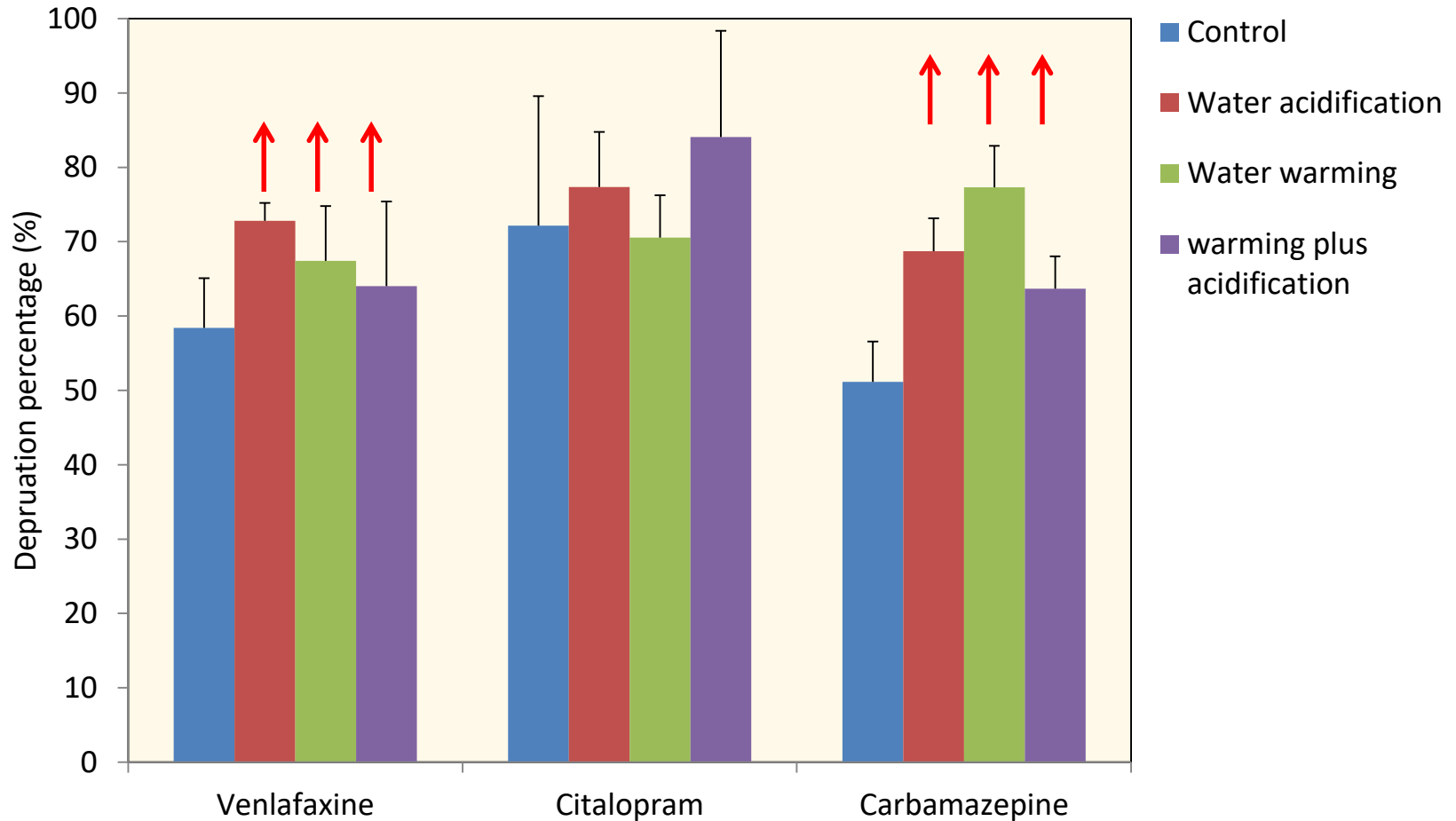
## Psychiatric drugs mixtures metabolization in mussels

■ O-desmethylVLF  
■ N-desmethylVLF  
■ NO-didesmethylVLF



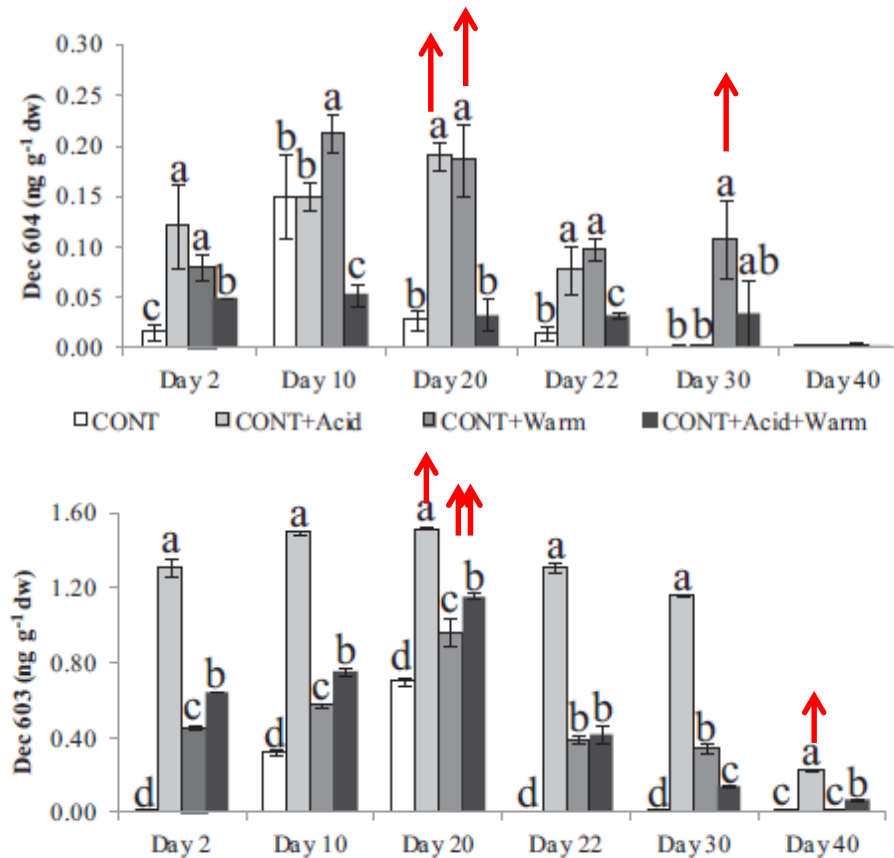
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## Psychiatric drugs mixtures depuration in mussels



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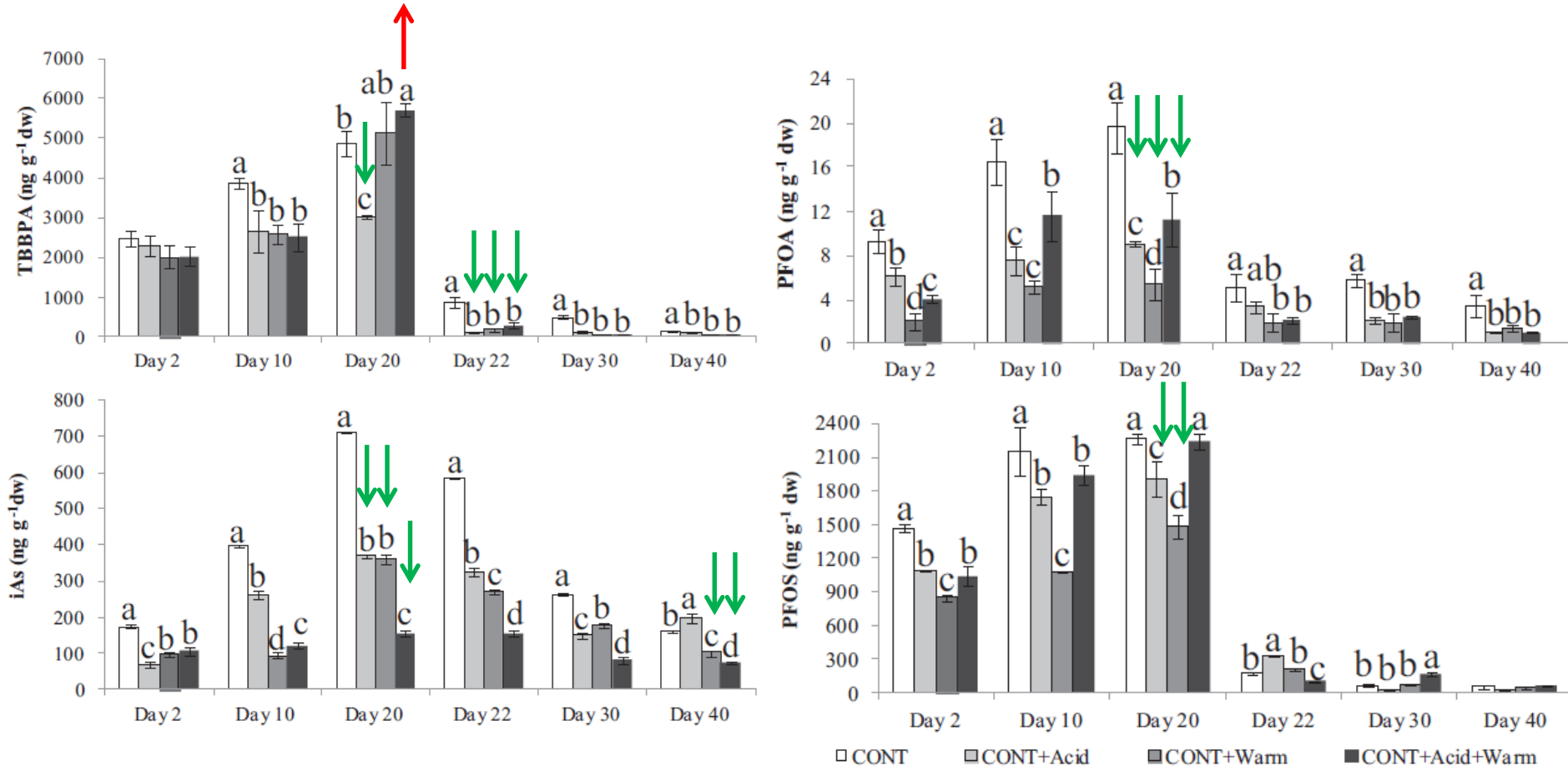
## Dechloranes accumulation in mussels – warming/acidification





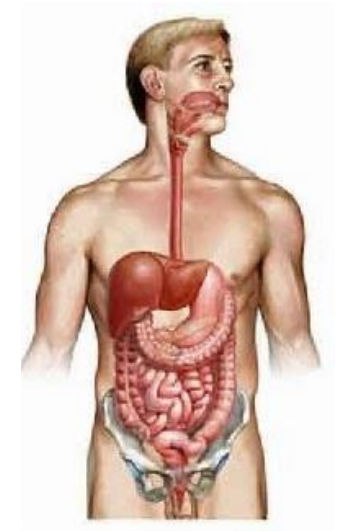
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## TBBPA, iAs, PFOA and PFOS accumulation in mussels – Warming/acidification



# 6. Mitigation measures

High bioaccessibility % (> 50 )	Low bioaccessibility % (< 50)
MeHg (tuna, mackerel, octopus)	MeHg (hake, monkfish)
As (all species)	Cd (tuna)
Cd (mussel, shrimp)	BDE47/BDE100 (all species)
PFCs (all species)	$\alpha$ -HBCD (bivalves)
$\alpha$ -HBCD (fish)	
PPCPs (all species)	



**Bioaccessibility can be affected by steaming (depending on food matrix) – decreased after steaming – Good choice to consume seafood**

- MeHg
- Cd (shellfish)
- PBDEs (shellfish)
- Venlafaxine (fish)

# 6. Mitigation measures

Nutritious, safe and sustainable  
seafood for consumers of  
tomorrow  
[www.seafoodtomorrow.eu](http://www.seafoodtomorrow.eu)

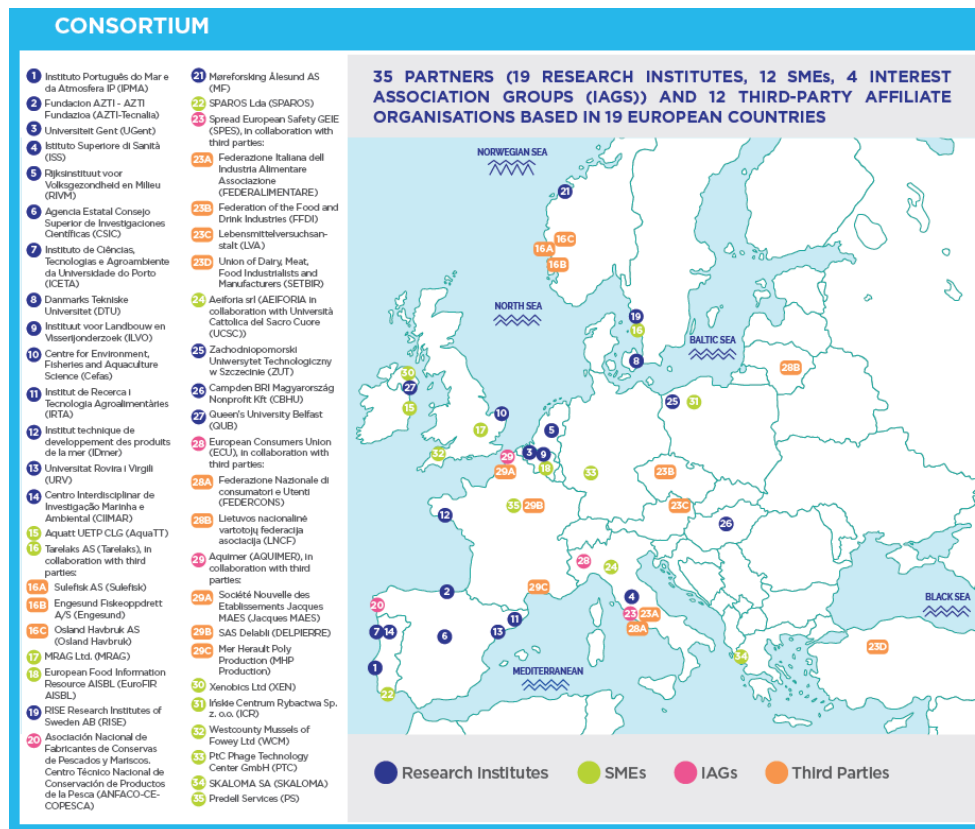
PROGRAMME  
H2020 (EC)

INSTRUMENT  
Innovation Action

TOTAL BUDGET  
€7.5 million

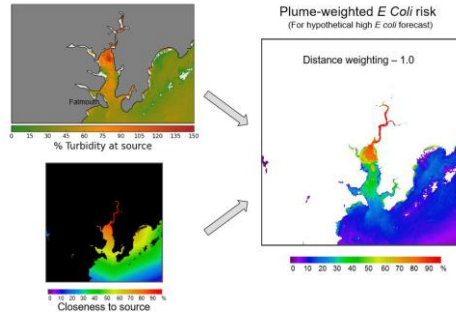
DURATION  
Nov 17 – Oct 18 (36M)

COORDINATOR  
IPMA



Aims to develop innovative sustainable solutions for improving the safety and dietary value of seafood in Europe at the production and processing levels

# 6. Mitigation measures



Buffer zones in shellfish production areas

Integrated Multi trophic Aquaculture

Multi contaminant  
detection sensors

## Seafood Production

**FISHCHOICE 2.0**

Your personal fish calculator

Benefit-risk  
communication tool

Quality  
certification

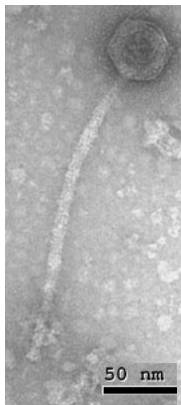


## Seafood Processing

Toxins/  
processing

Listeriaphages/  
RTE fish

Norovirus/  
depuration



# 7. Conclusions and Recommendations

- ✓ The changes elicited by warming and acidification will promote the exposure to some contaminants (OHg, PSTs, dechloranes), but not for others (diclofenac, venlafaxine, iAs, TBBPA, PFCs)
- ✓ The distinct patterns observed strengthen the need to carry out greater research efforts to understand how multiple environmental (warming, acidification and pollution) interact with each other, and to consider these variables in future studies and regulations/recommendations
- ✓ Broad development and use of validated monitoring and early warning systems (e.g. biosensors)
- ✓ Adopt solutions to reduce contaminant load (e.g. processing seafood, cooking, phycoremediation, etc.)
- ✓ Develop predictive modeling tools for stakeholders



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