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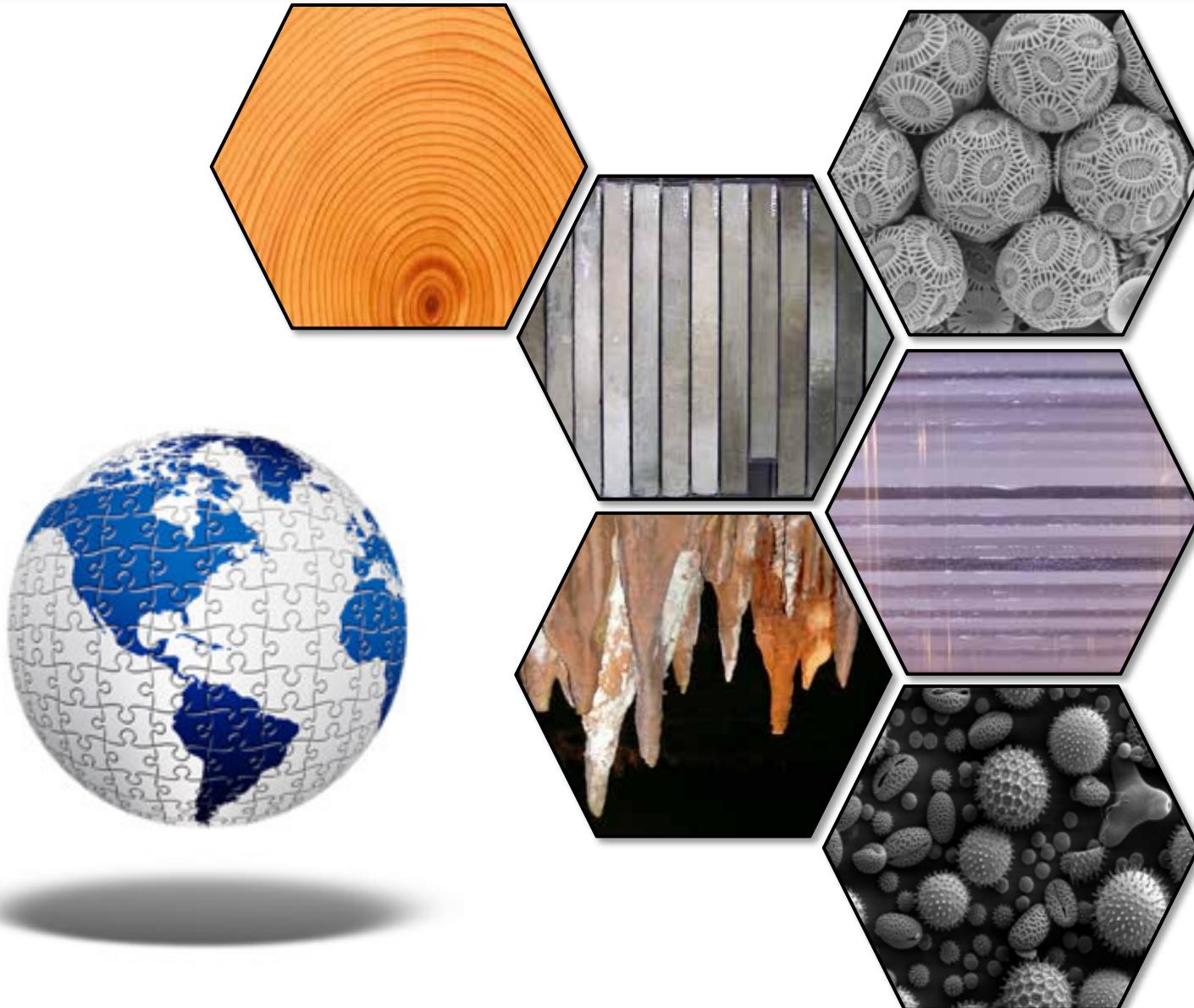


# 11-year variability in marine **bivalve** growth ...*Sun*-related?

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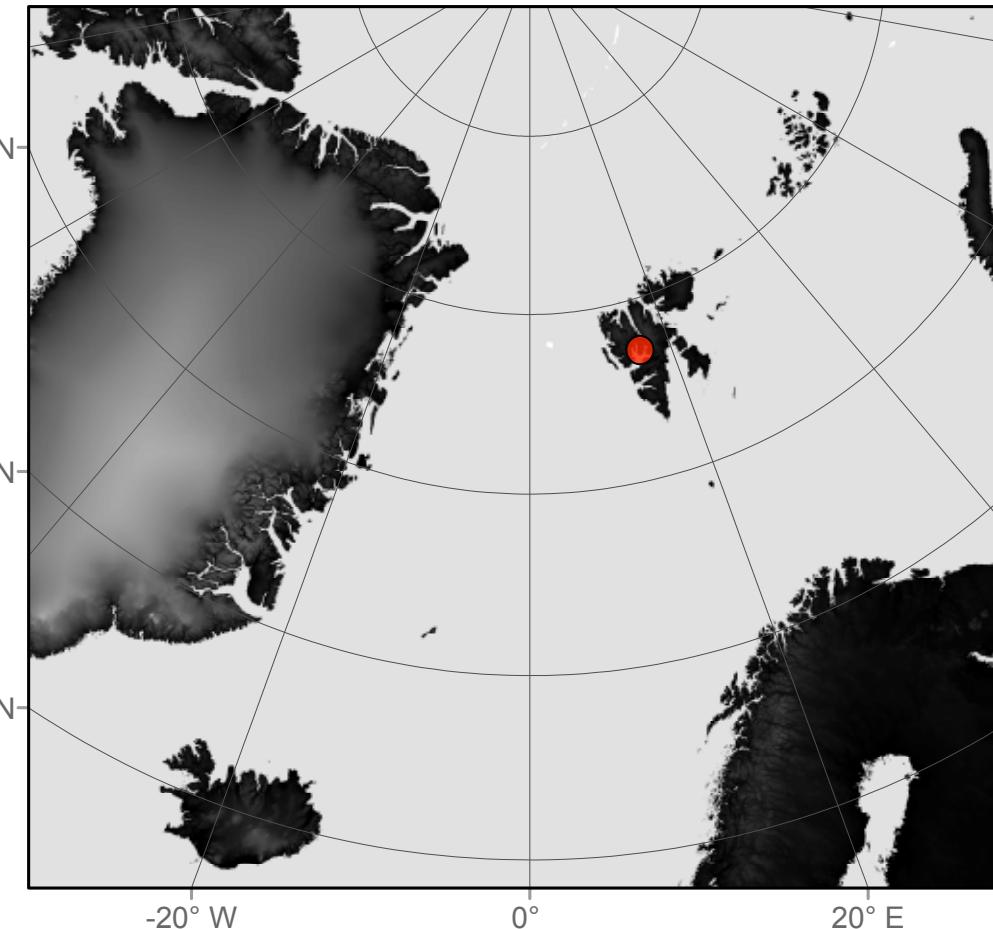
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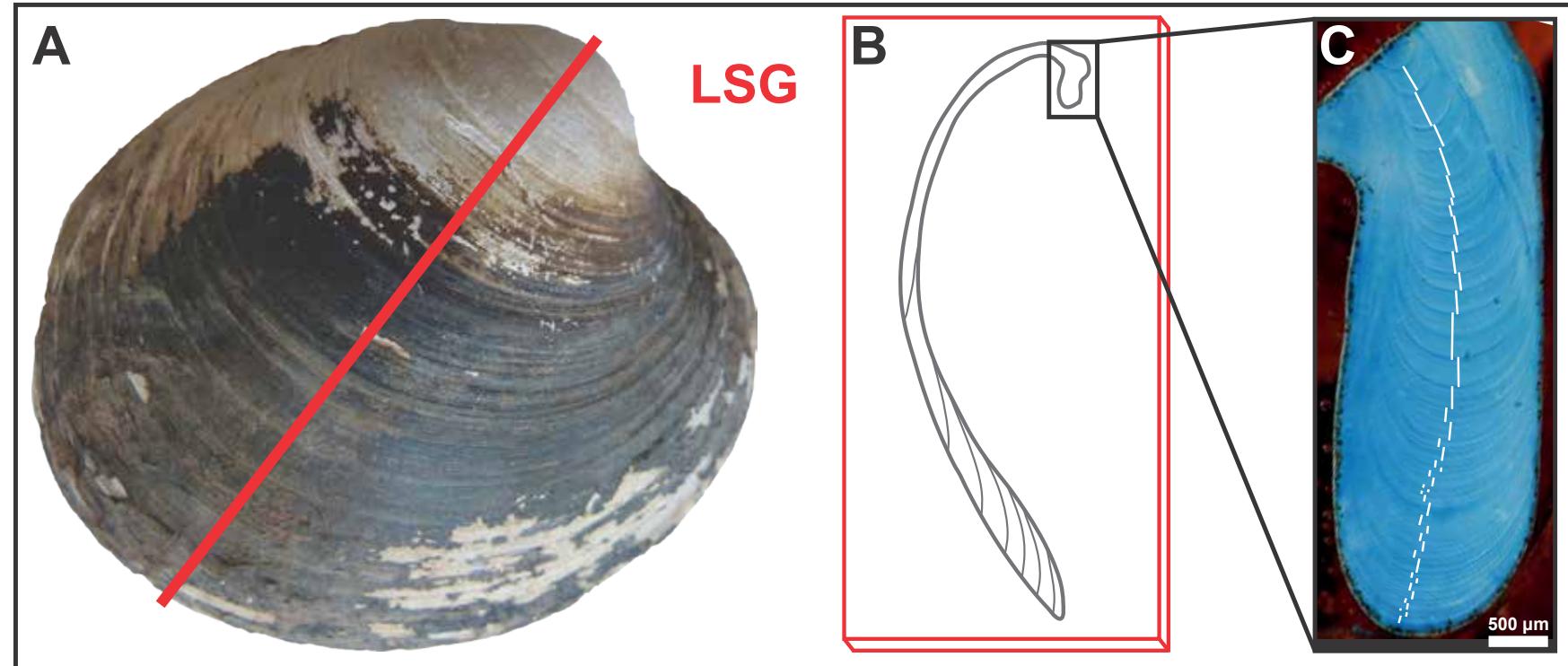
# Svalbard: 6 sub-fossil *Arctica islandica*



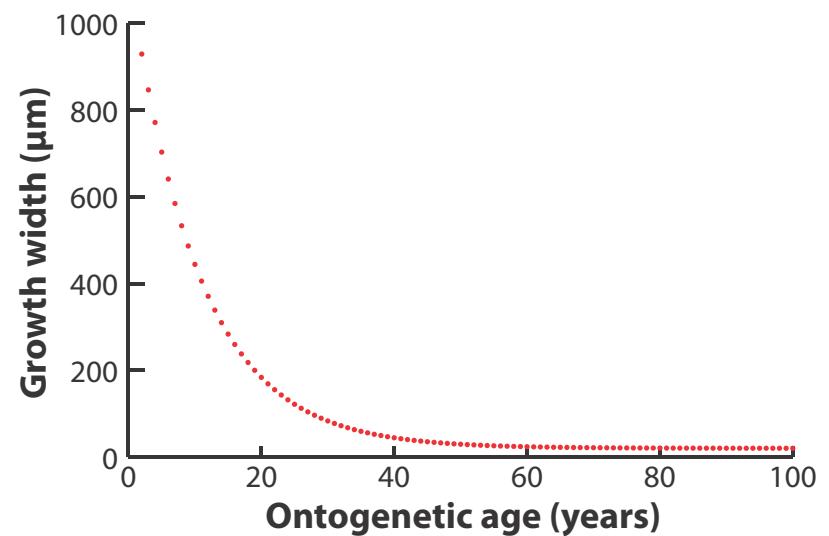
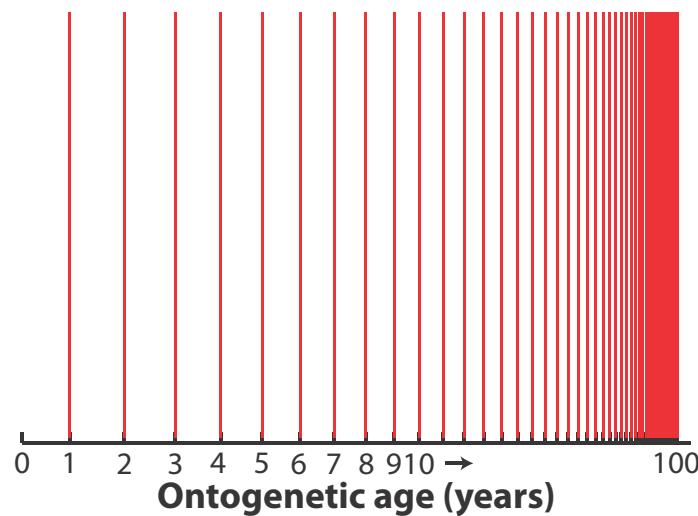
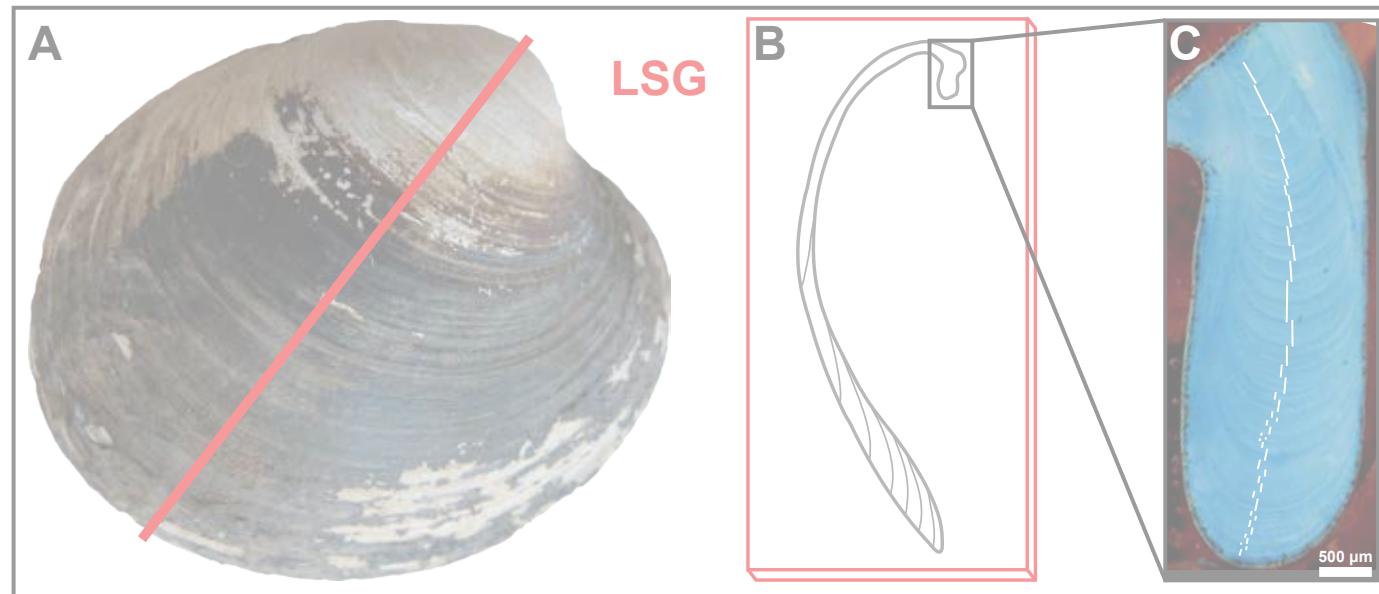
**Raised beach deposits**  
shells found ~5-10m a.s.l.



# Methodology



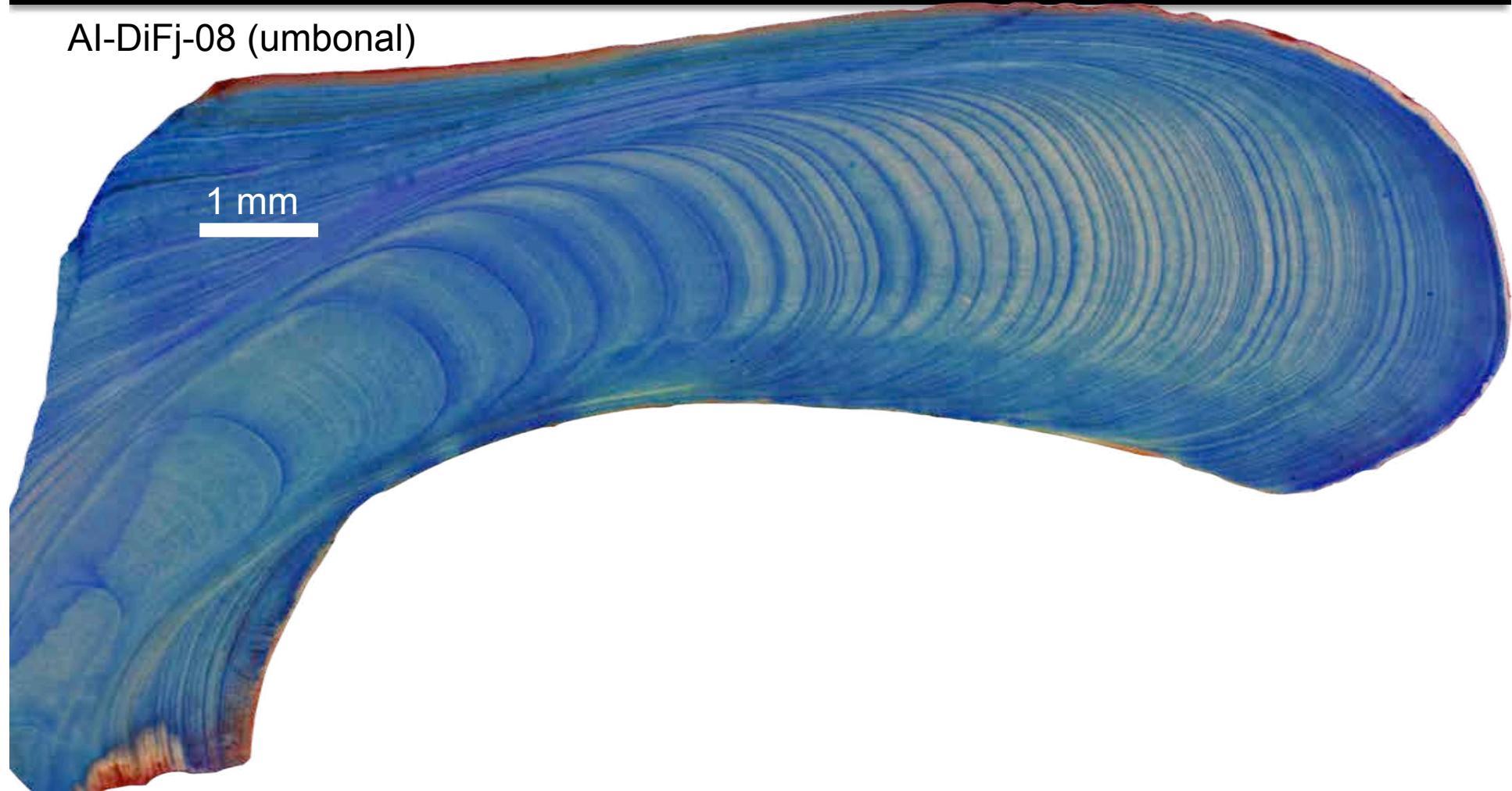
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# Decadal time-scale



AI-DiFj-08 (umbonal)



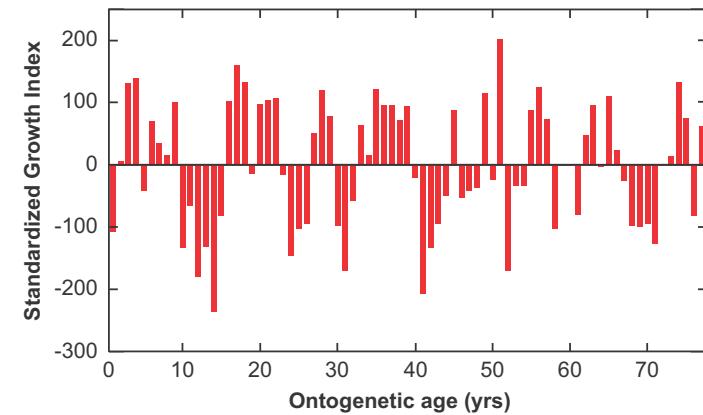
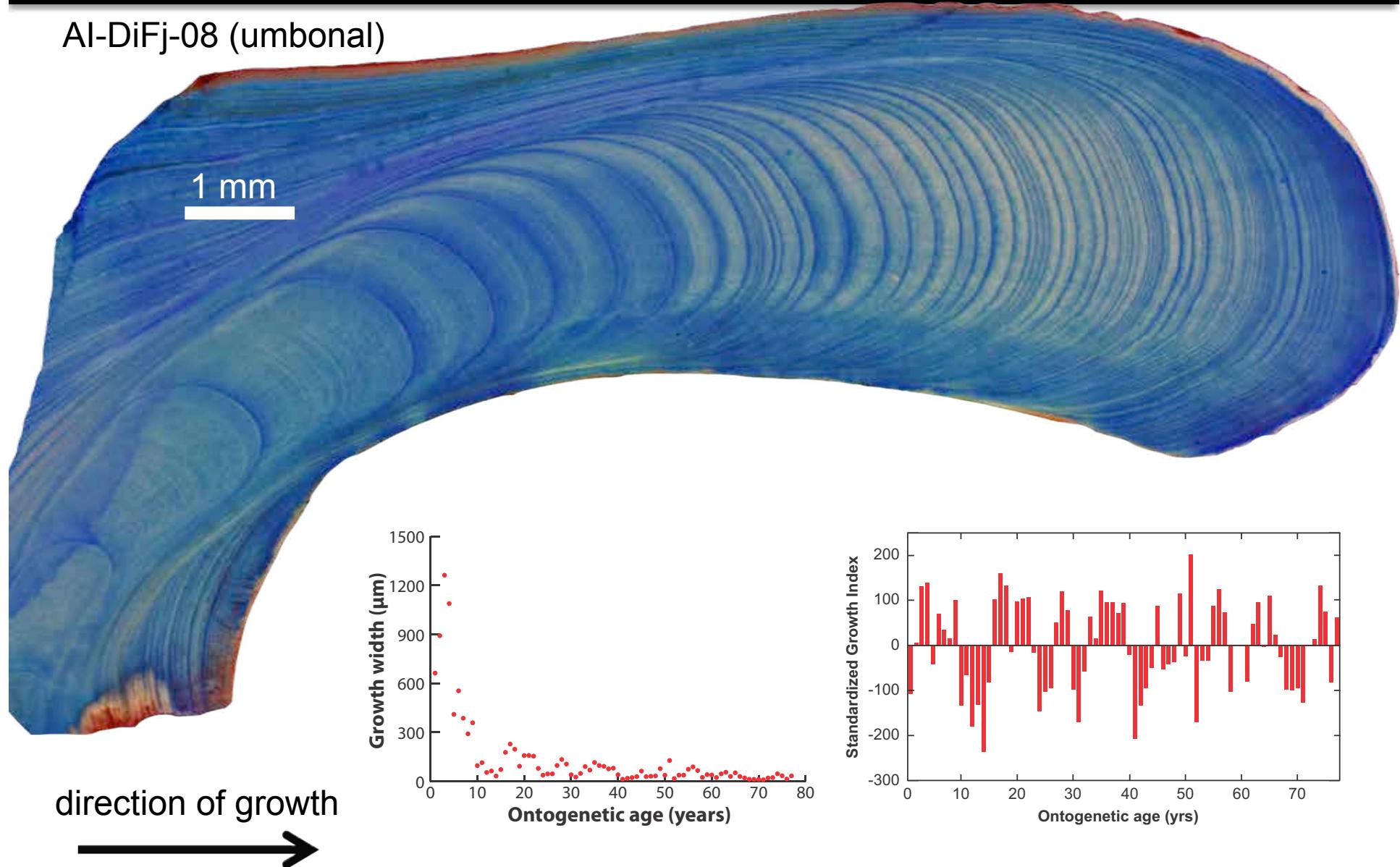
direction of growth



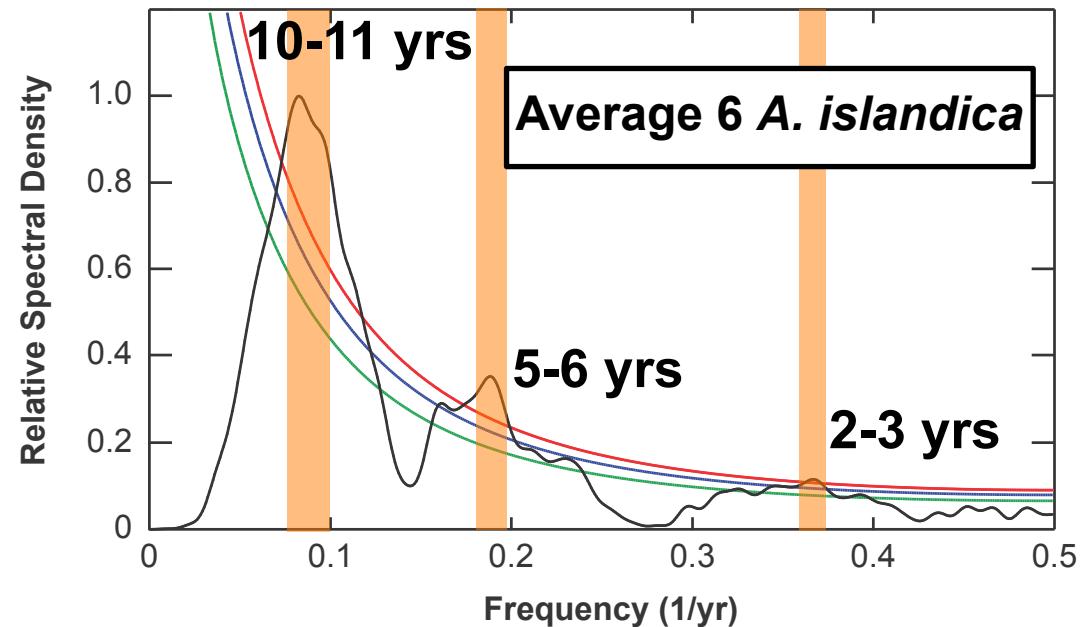
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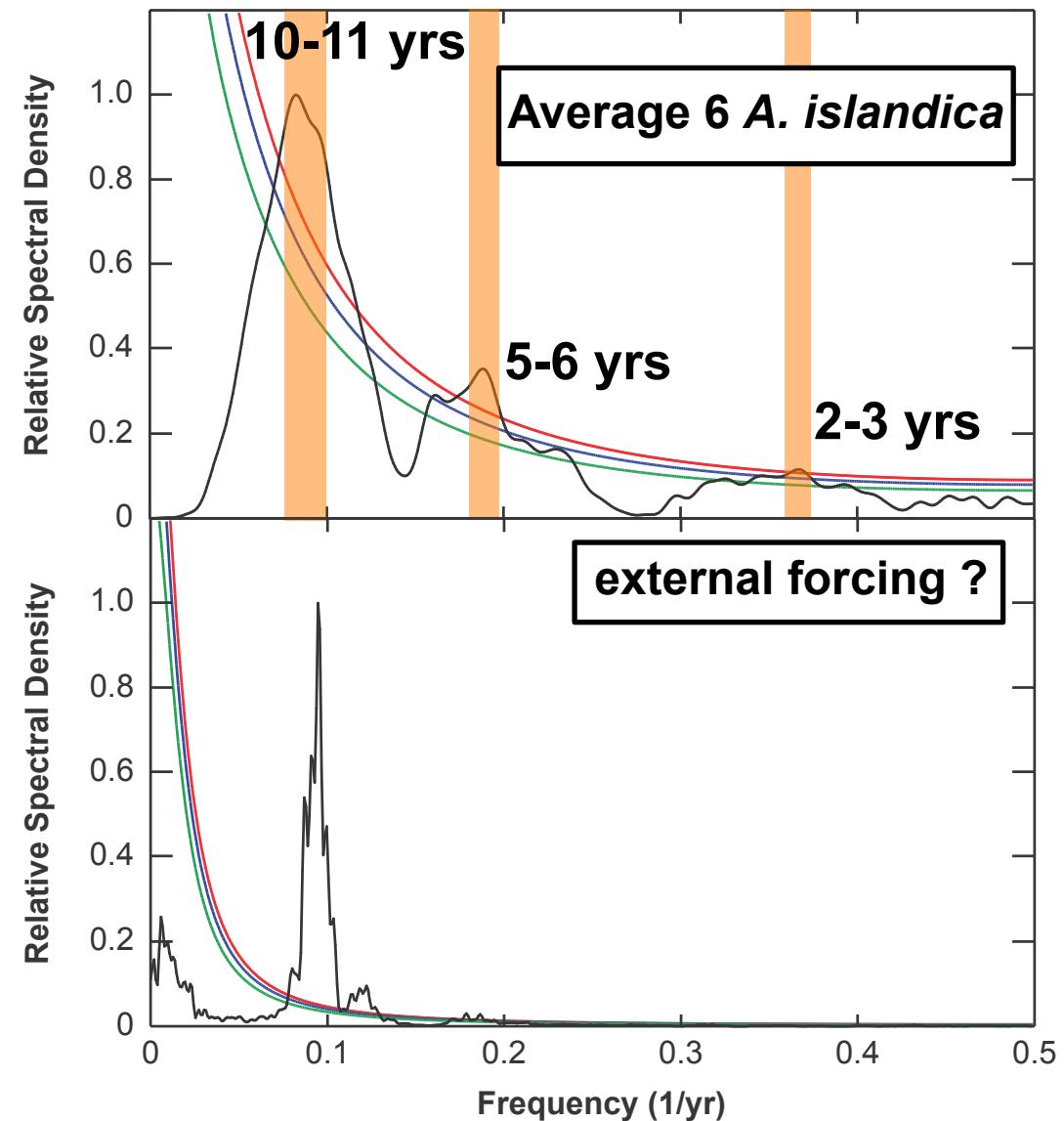


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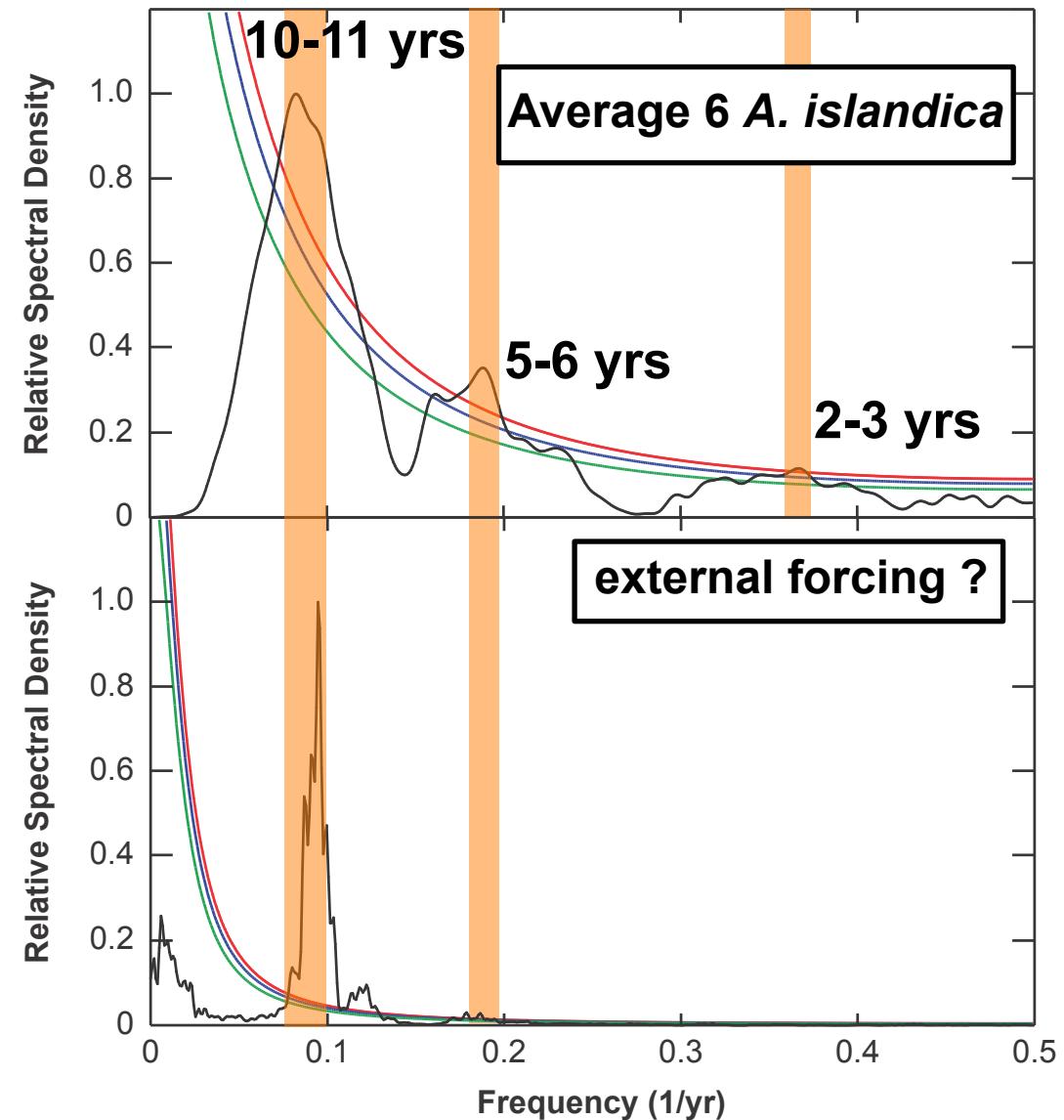


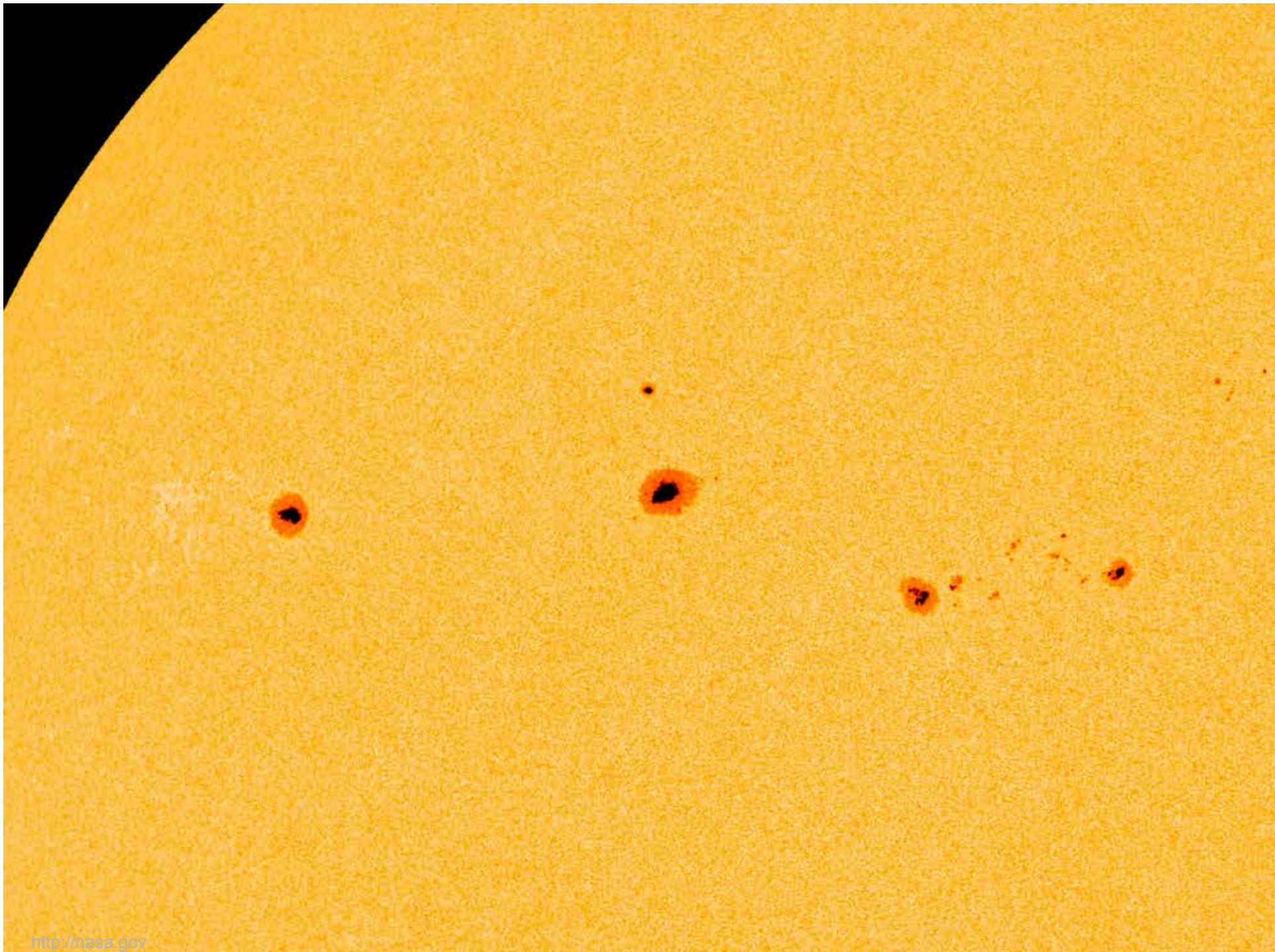
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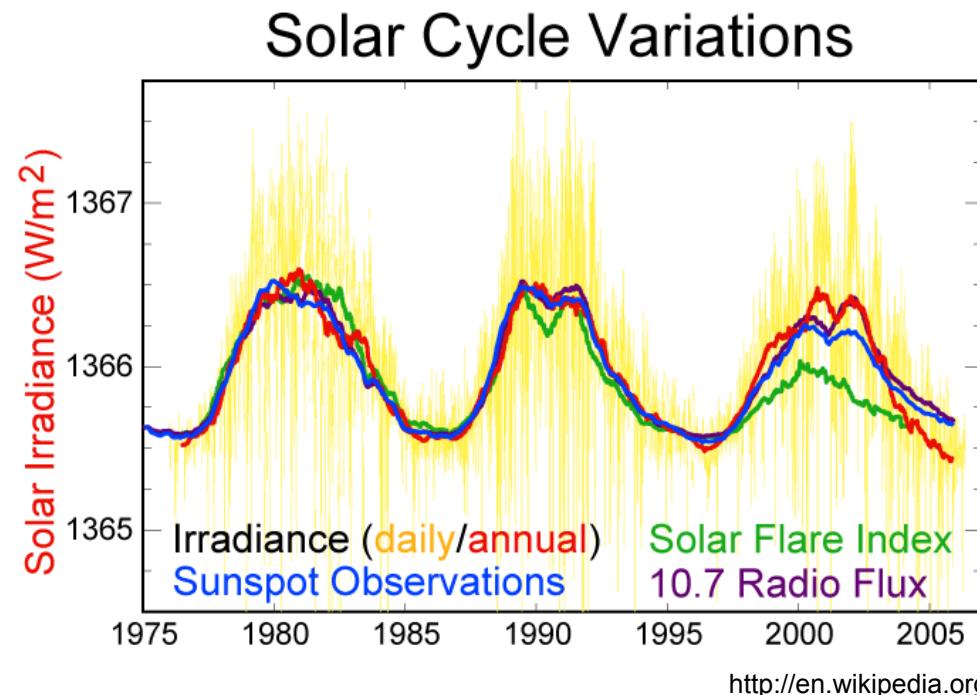
## 11 year sunspot Schwabe cycle

- Number of dark spots on the Sun's surface ranges from 0-200.
- Linked to Sun's magnetic activity (→ 22-year Hale cycle).
- Net increase in total solar irradiance of about **0.1%** ( $\pm 0.06^\circ\text{C}$ ).

**Indirect** influence

**Amplifying mechanism**  
needed.

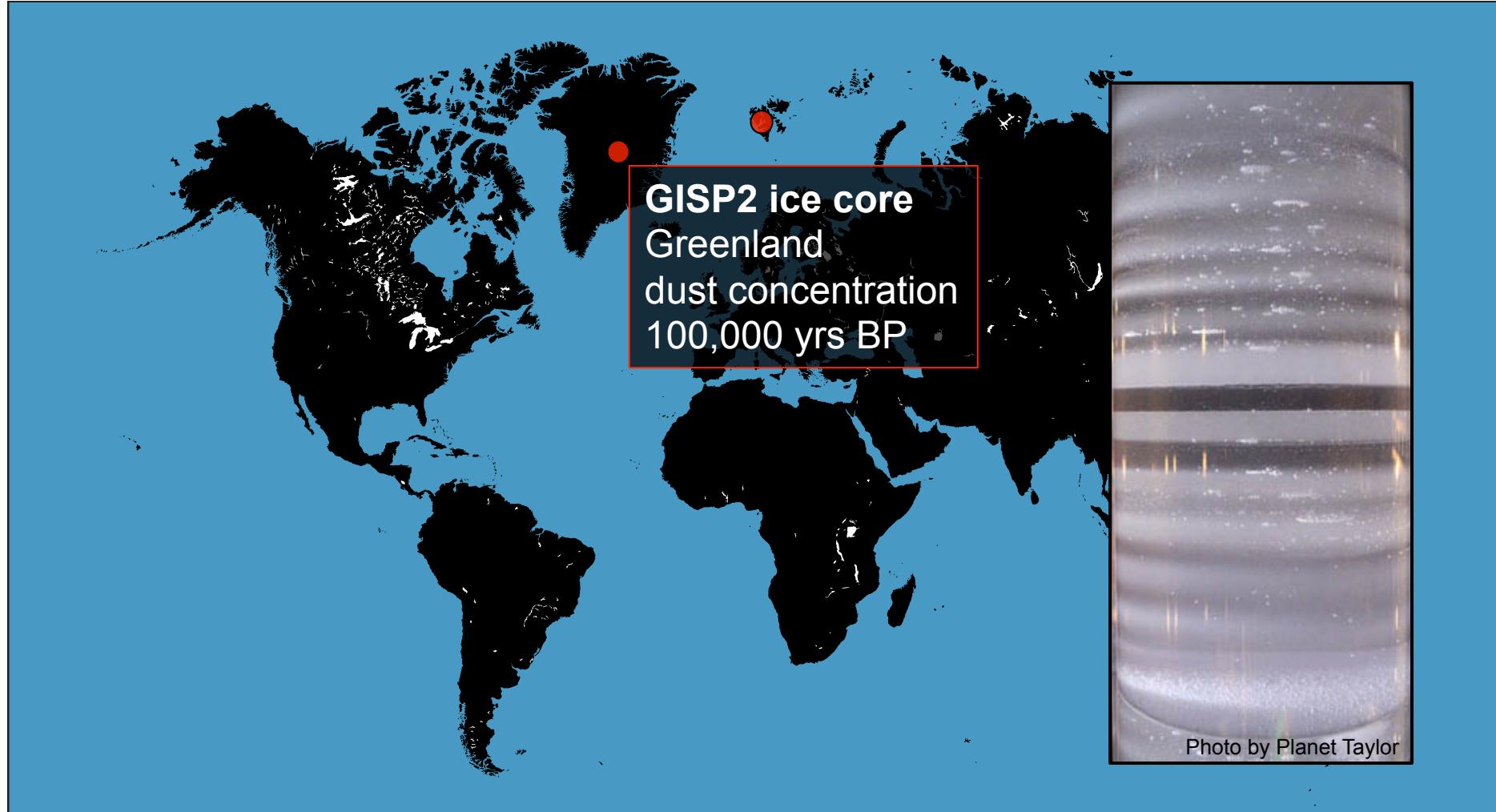
In bivalves via: **food** and/  
or temperature.



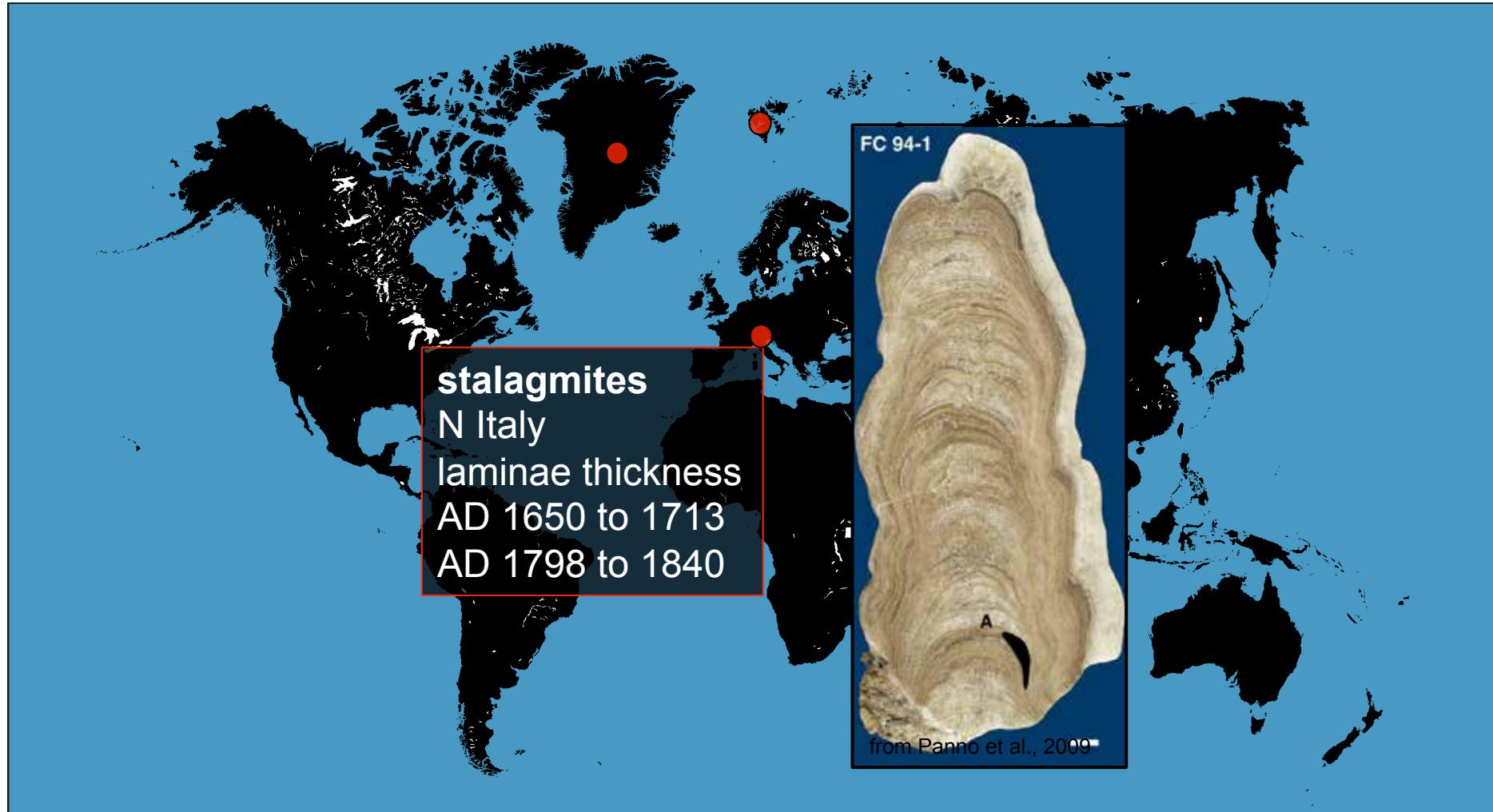
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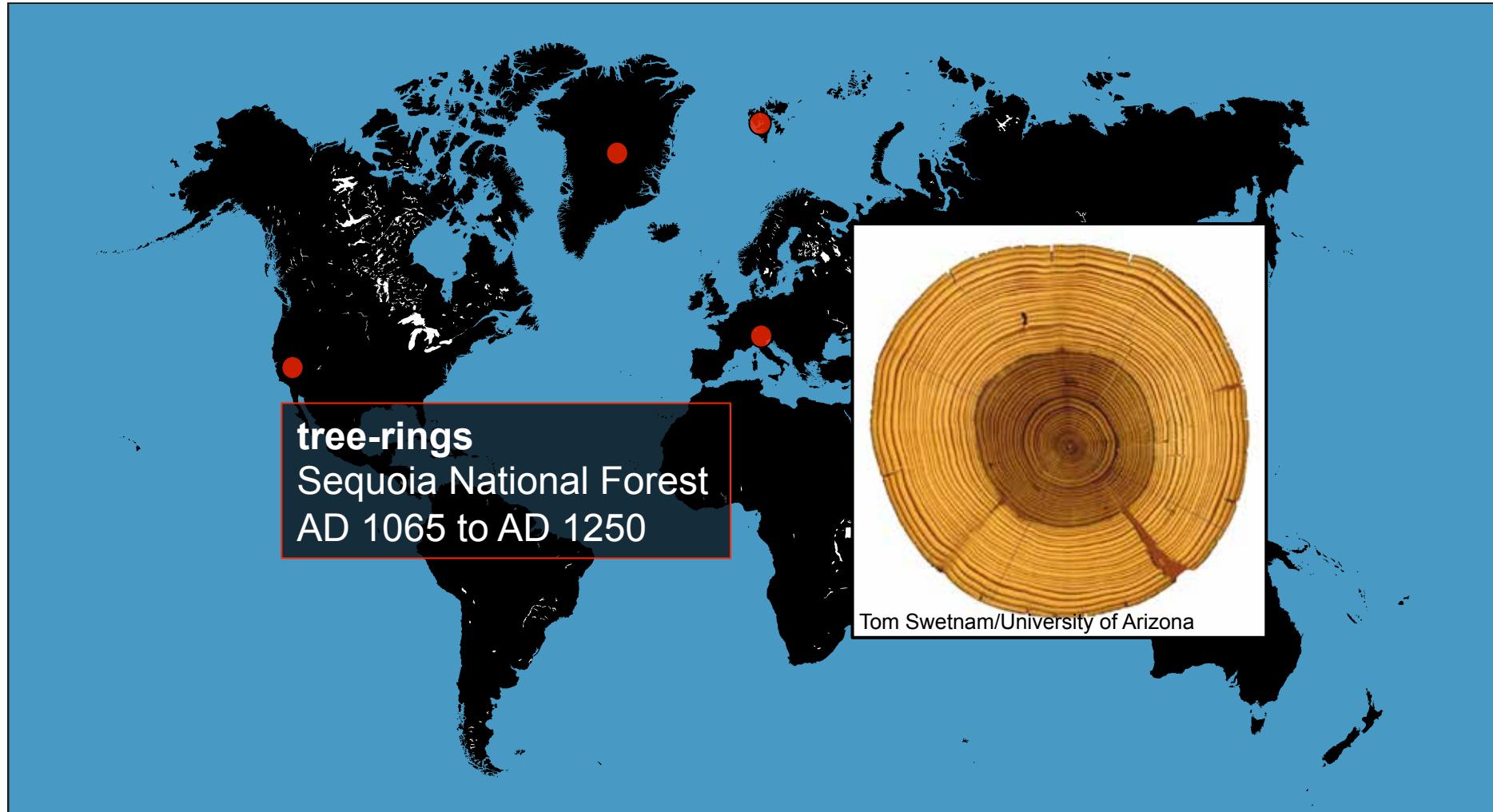


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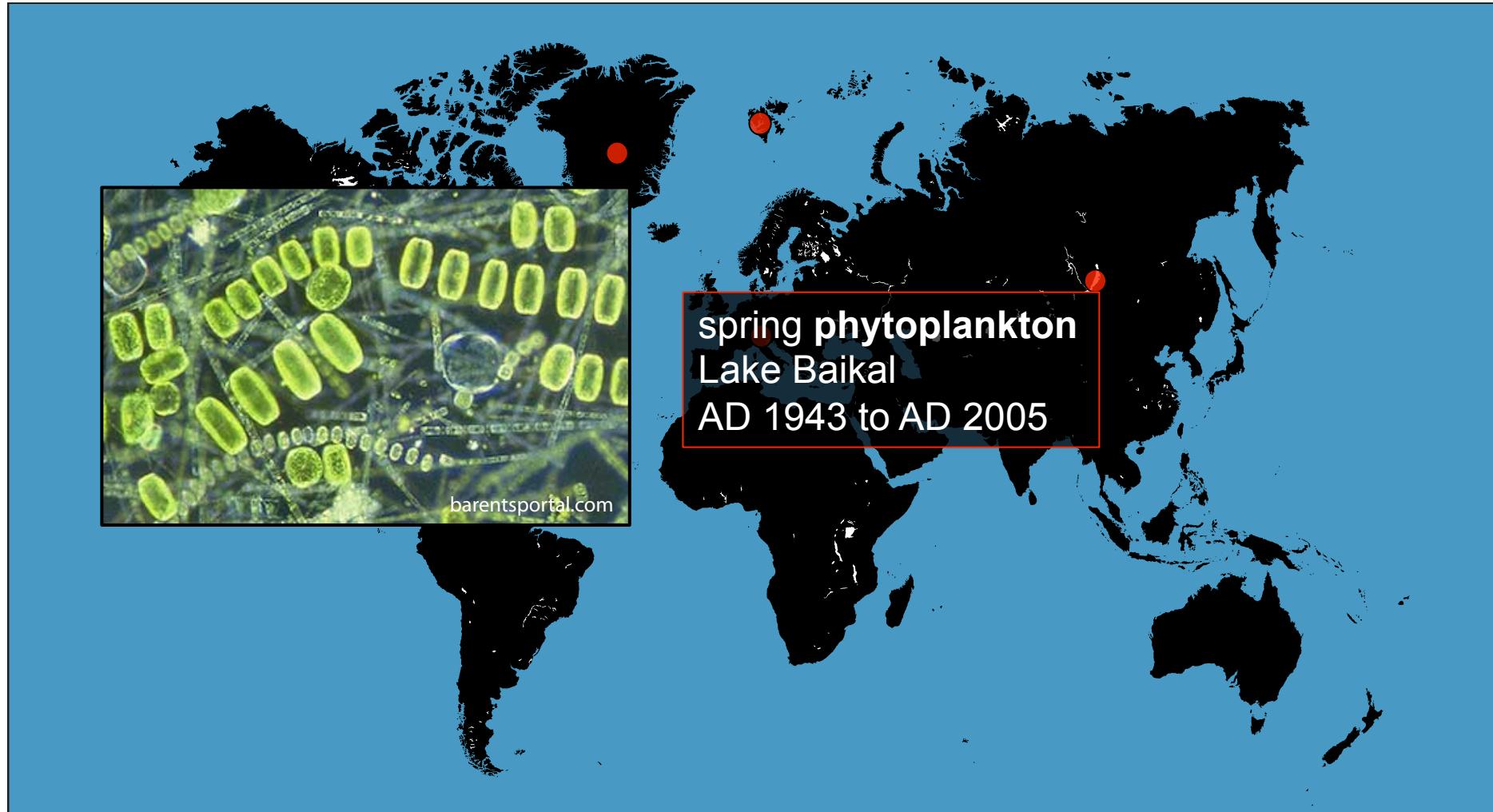


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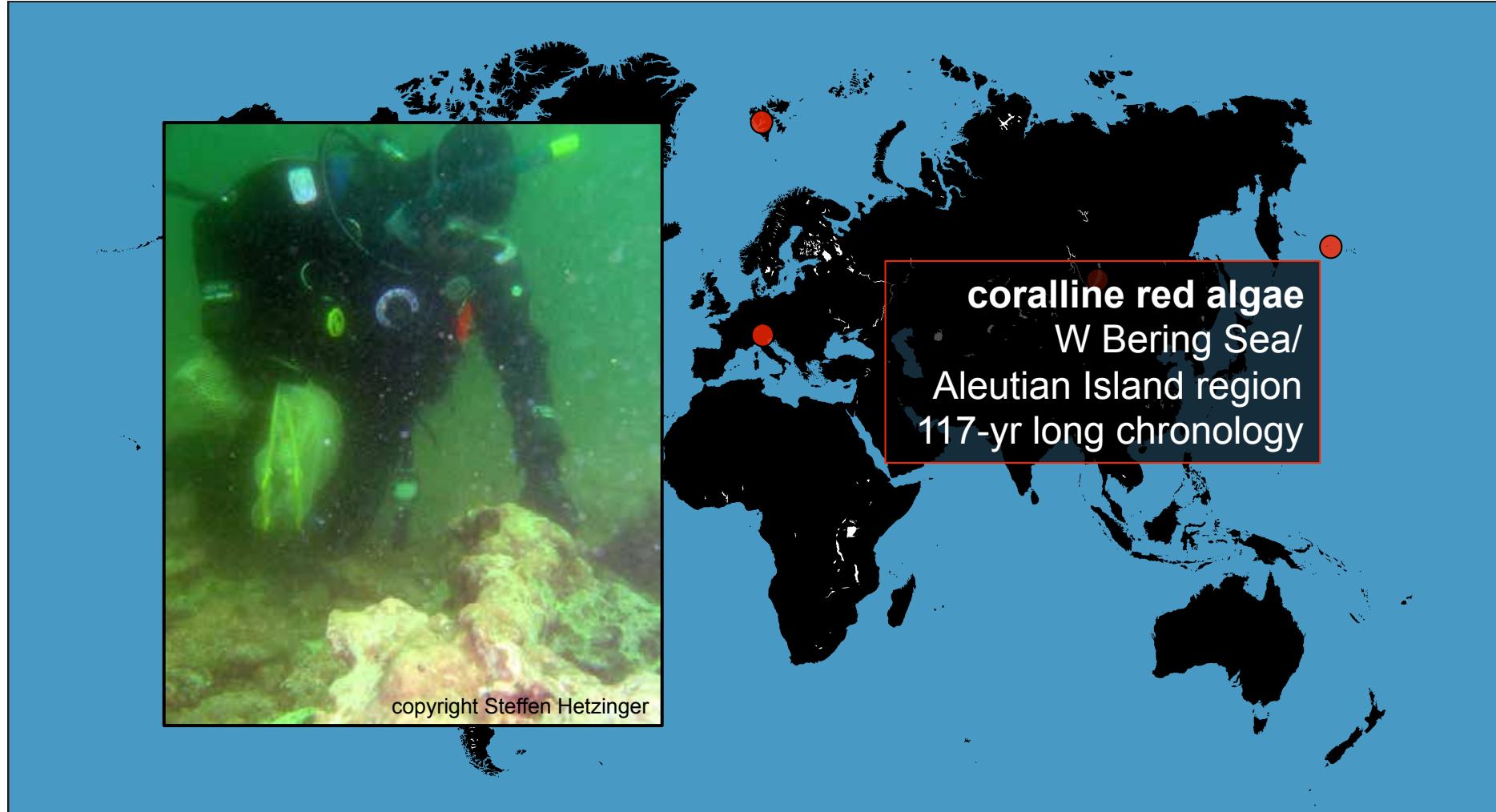




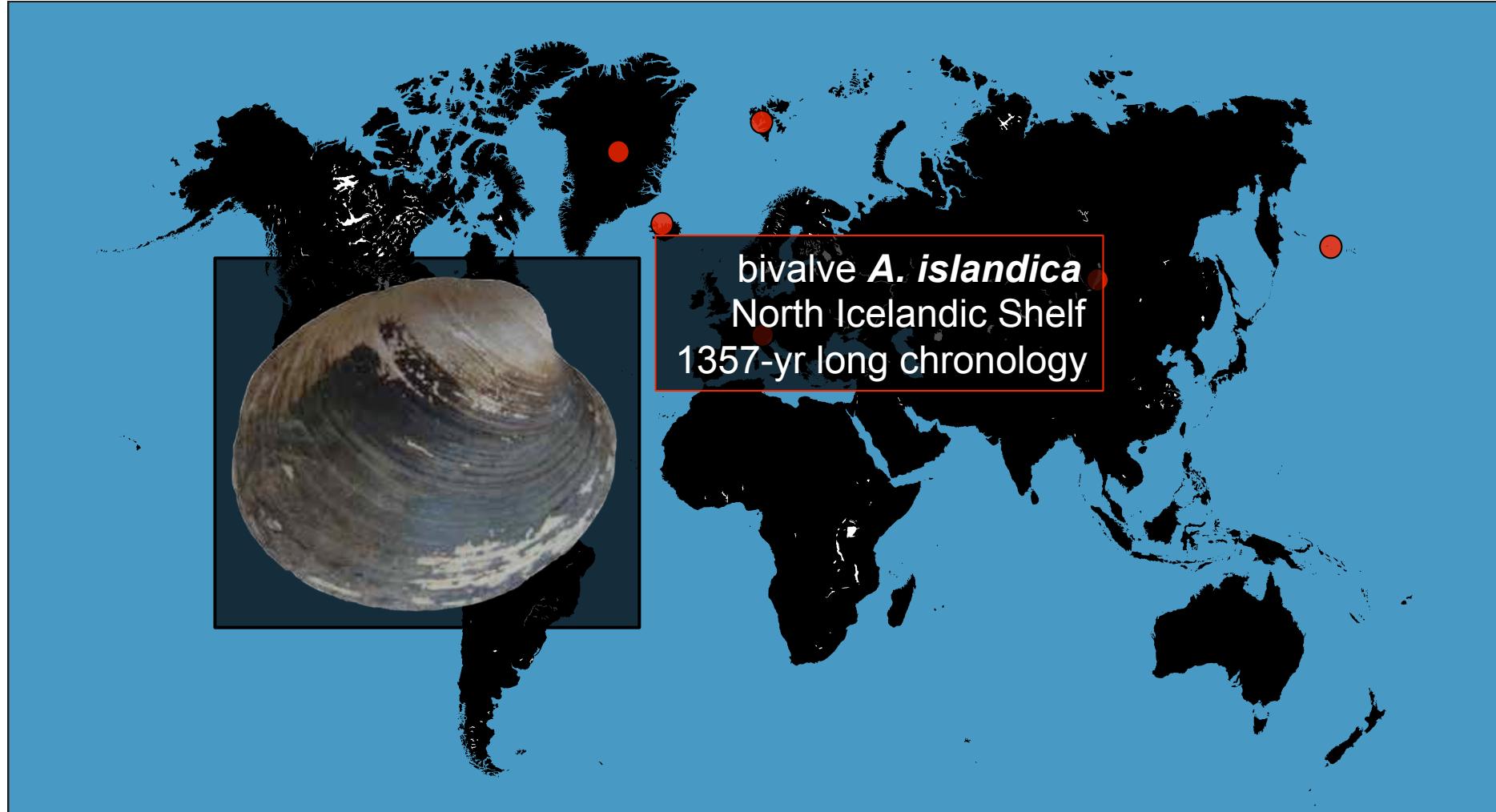
11-year signal: Bondarenko & Evstafyev, 2006



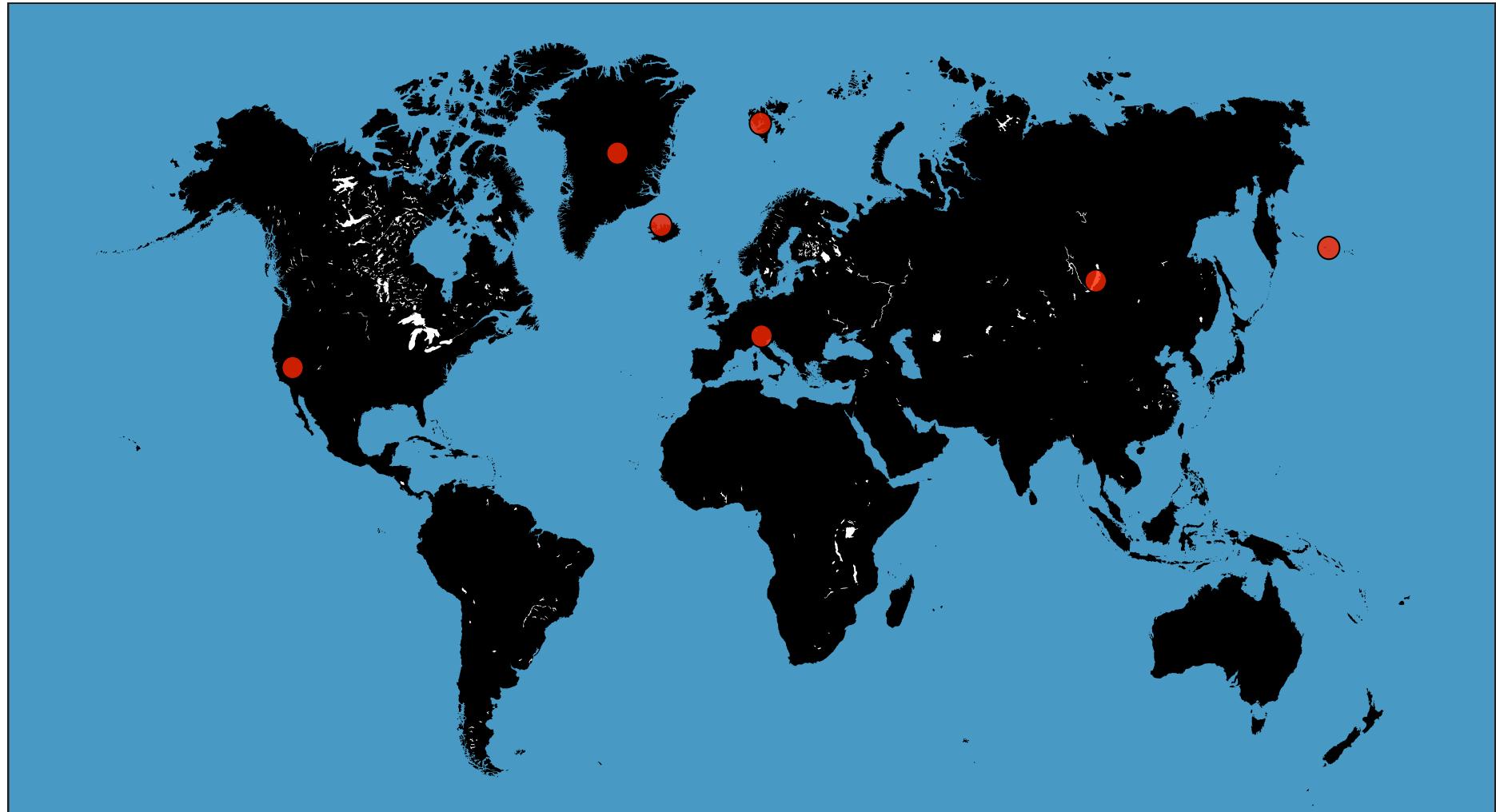
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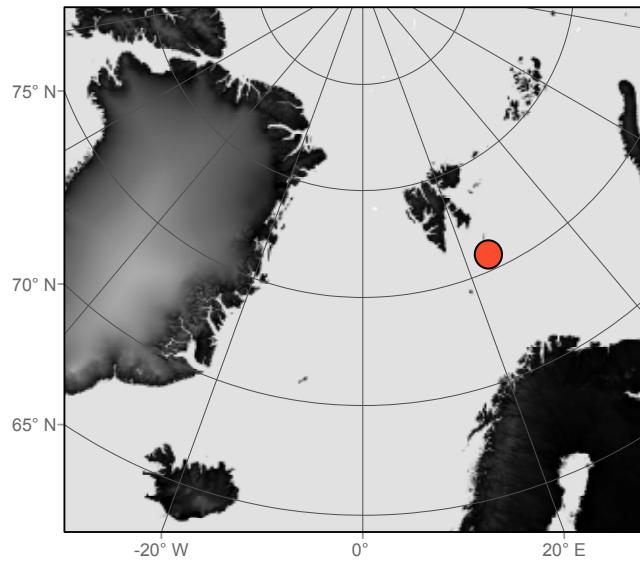
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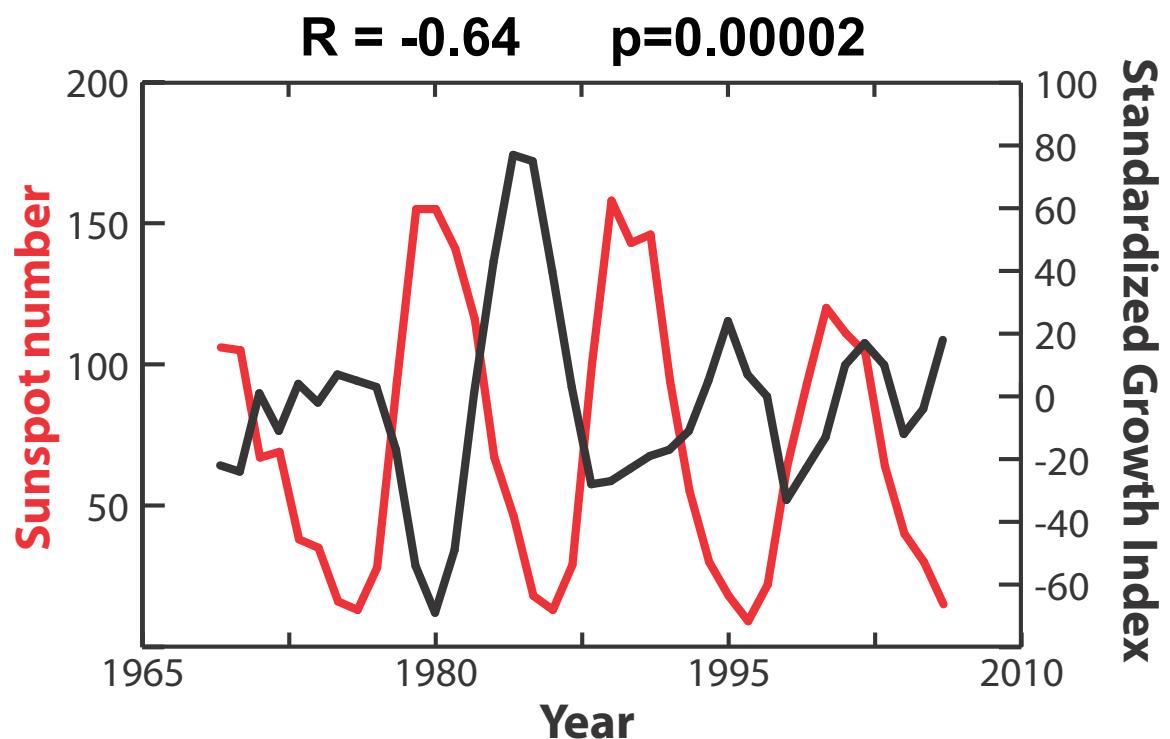
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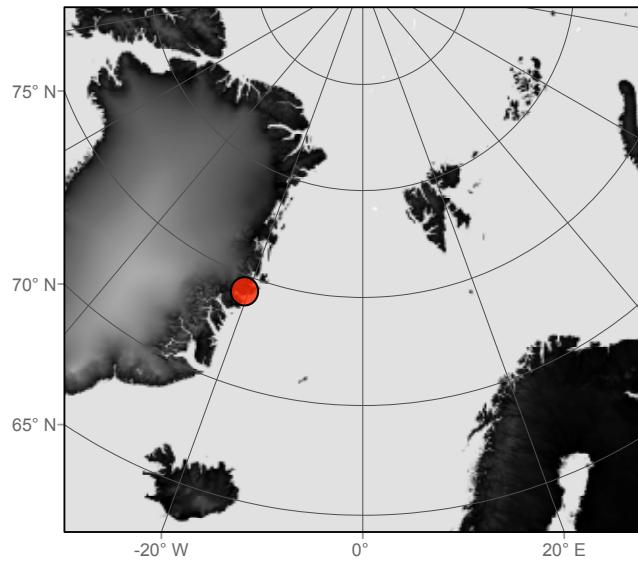
# Correlation



***Ciliatocardium ciliatum***  
Barents Sea  
SGI data by Michael Carroll  
(from Carroll et al., 2014)



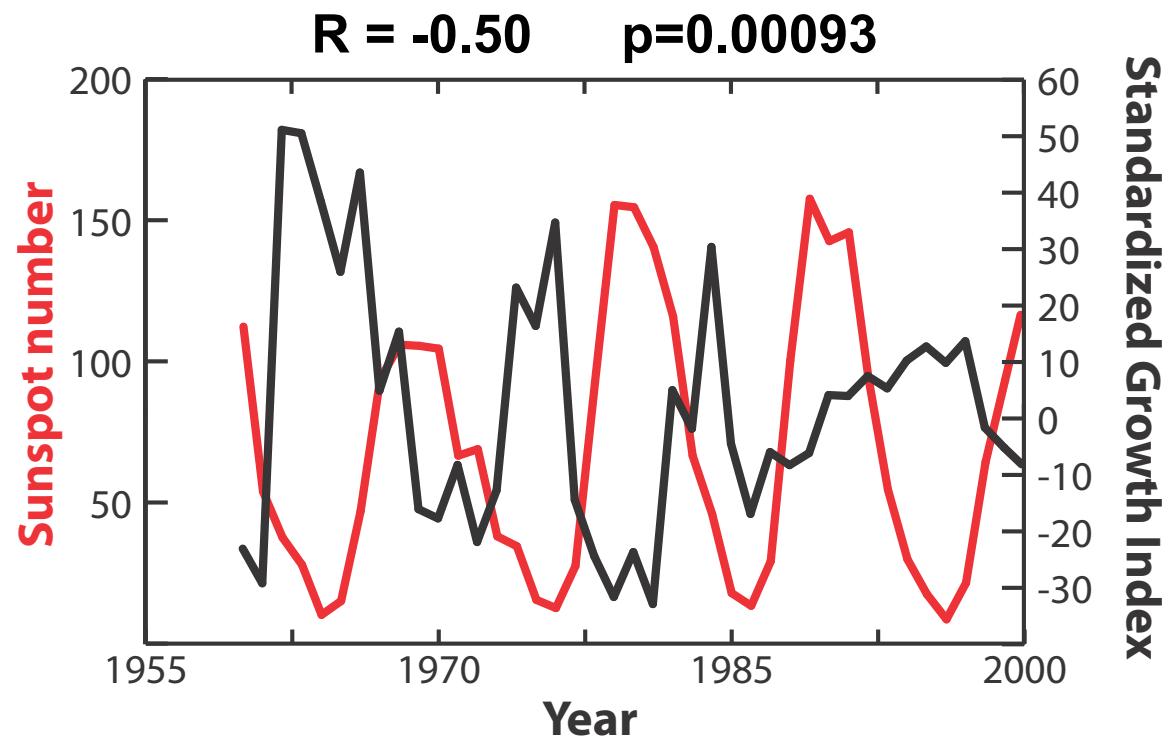
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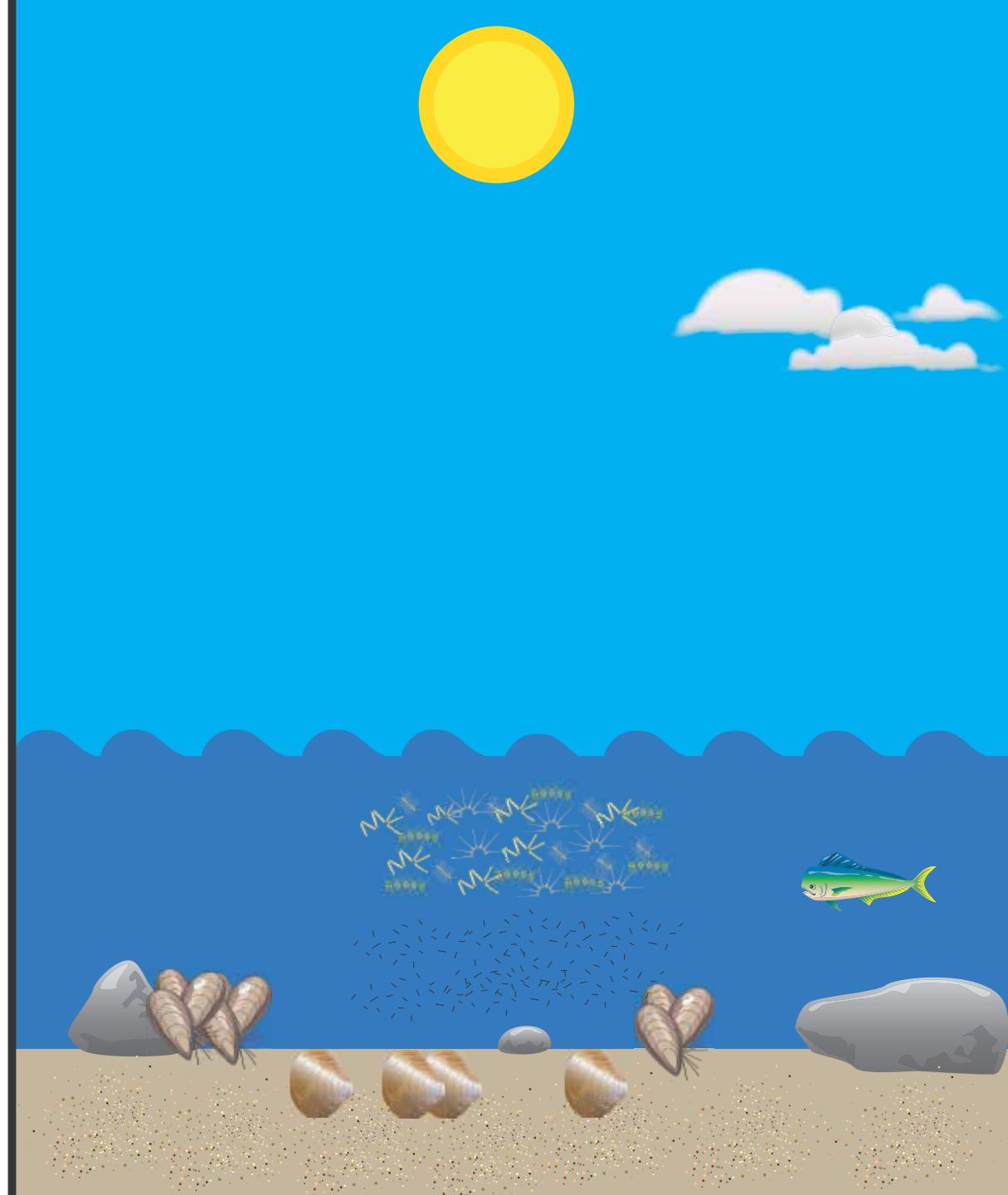


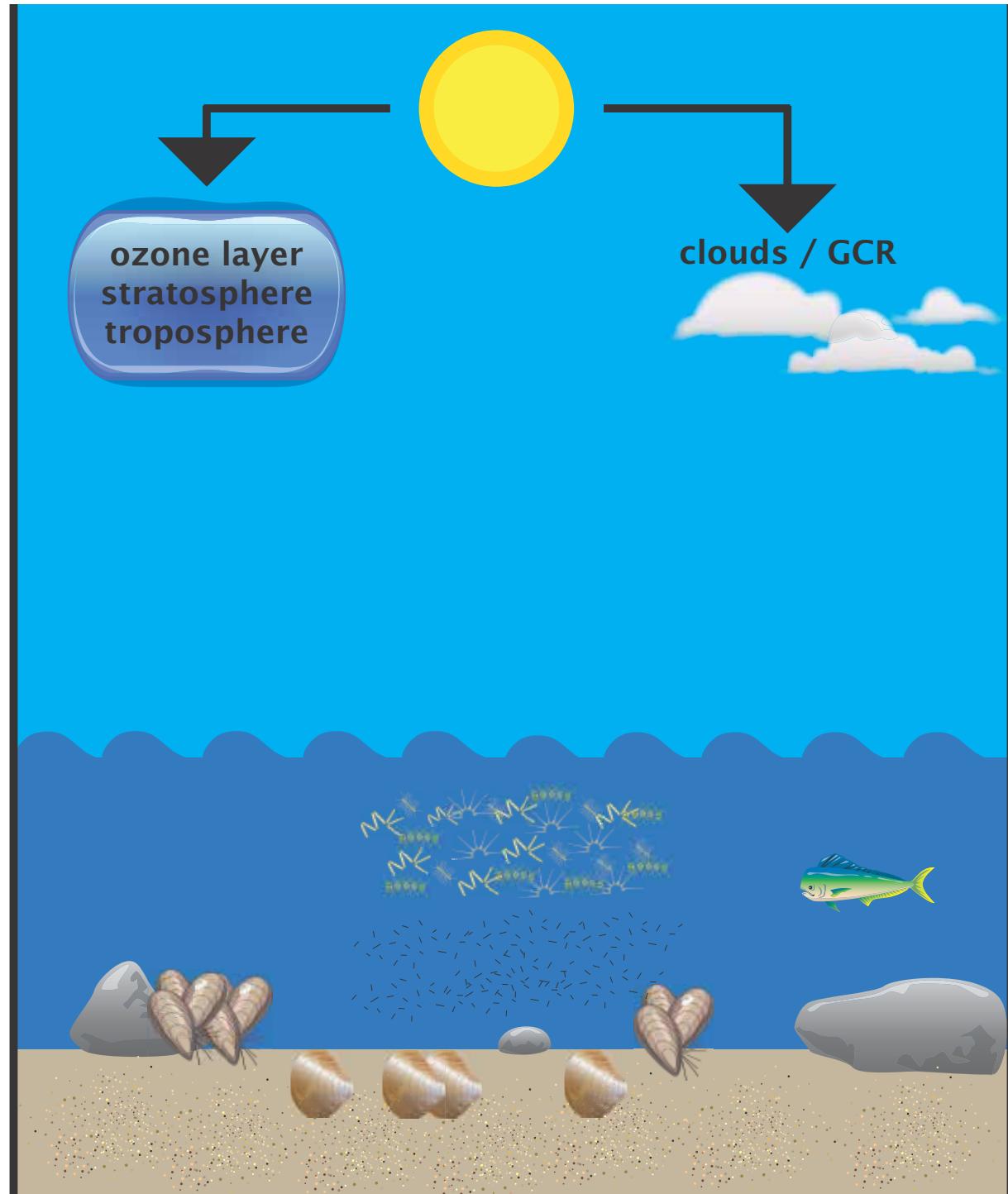
***Mya* sp.**  
Young Sound  
E Greenland  
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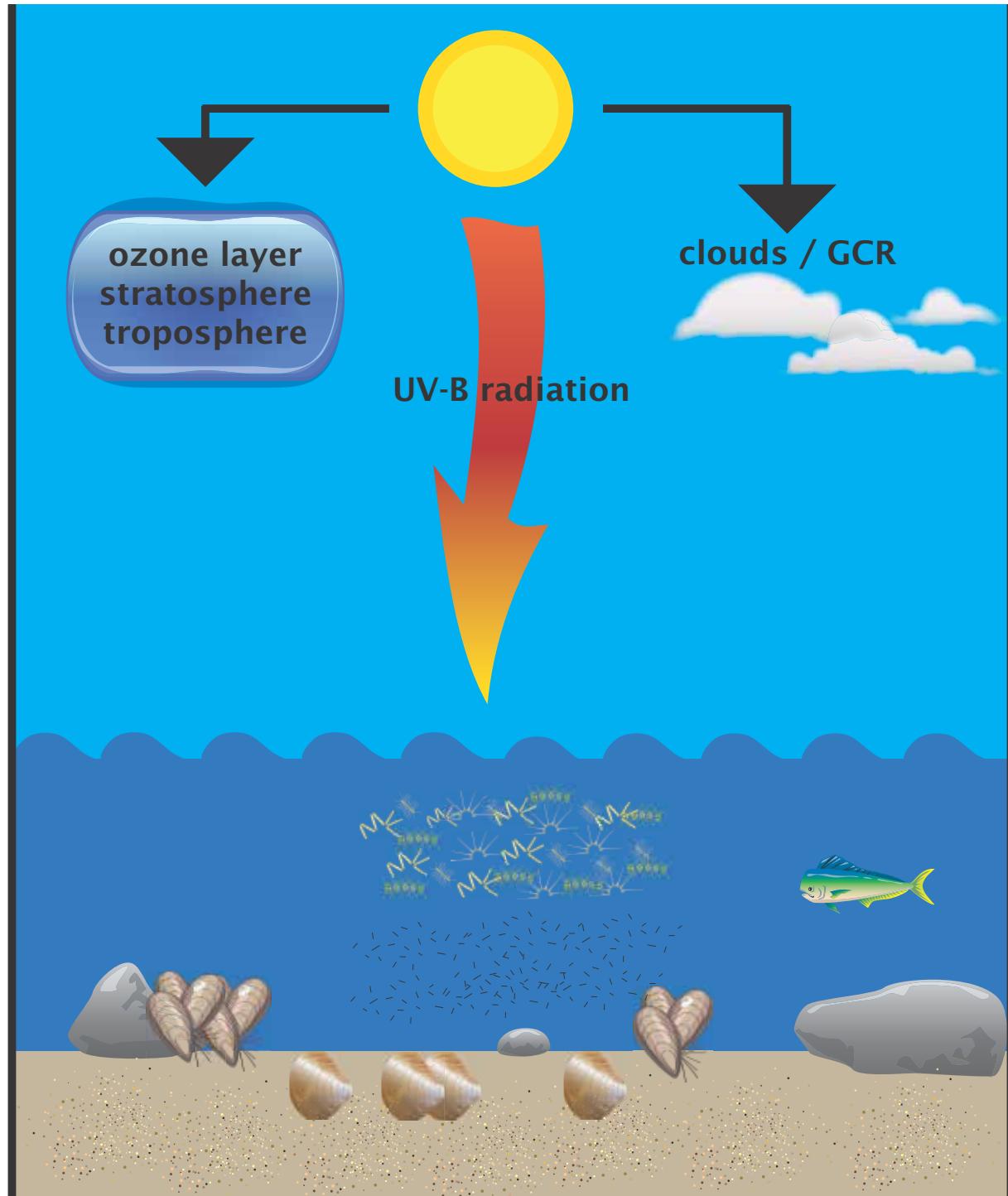


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*Gray et al., 2005  
Haigh , 1996*

*Svensmark &  
Friis-Christensen, 1997  
Pudovkin et al., 1995*

## **positive correlation**

**ozone layer  
stratosphere  
troposphere**

*Ineson et al., 2011  
Haigh et al., 2010  
Harder et al., 2009*

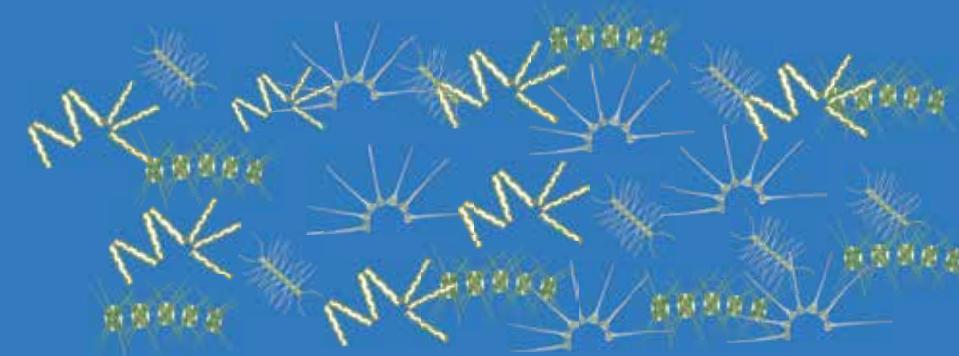
**UV-B radiation**

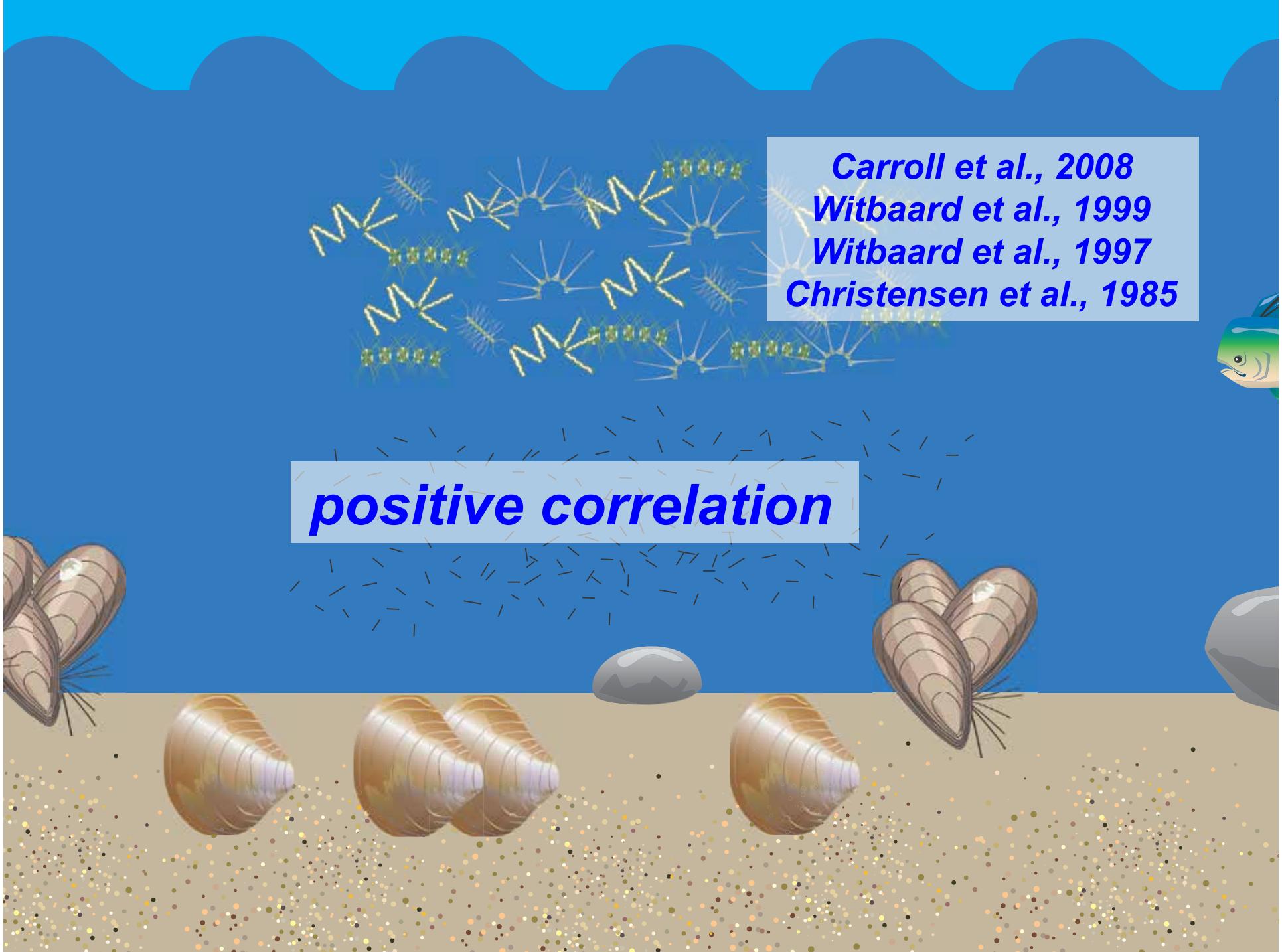
**clouds / GCR**

## UV-B radiation

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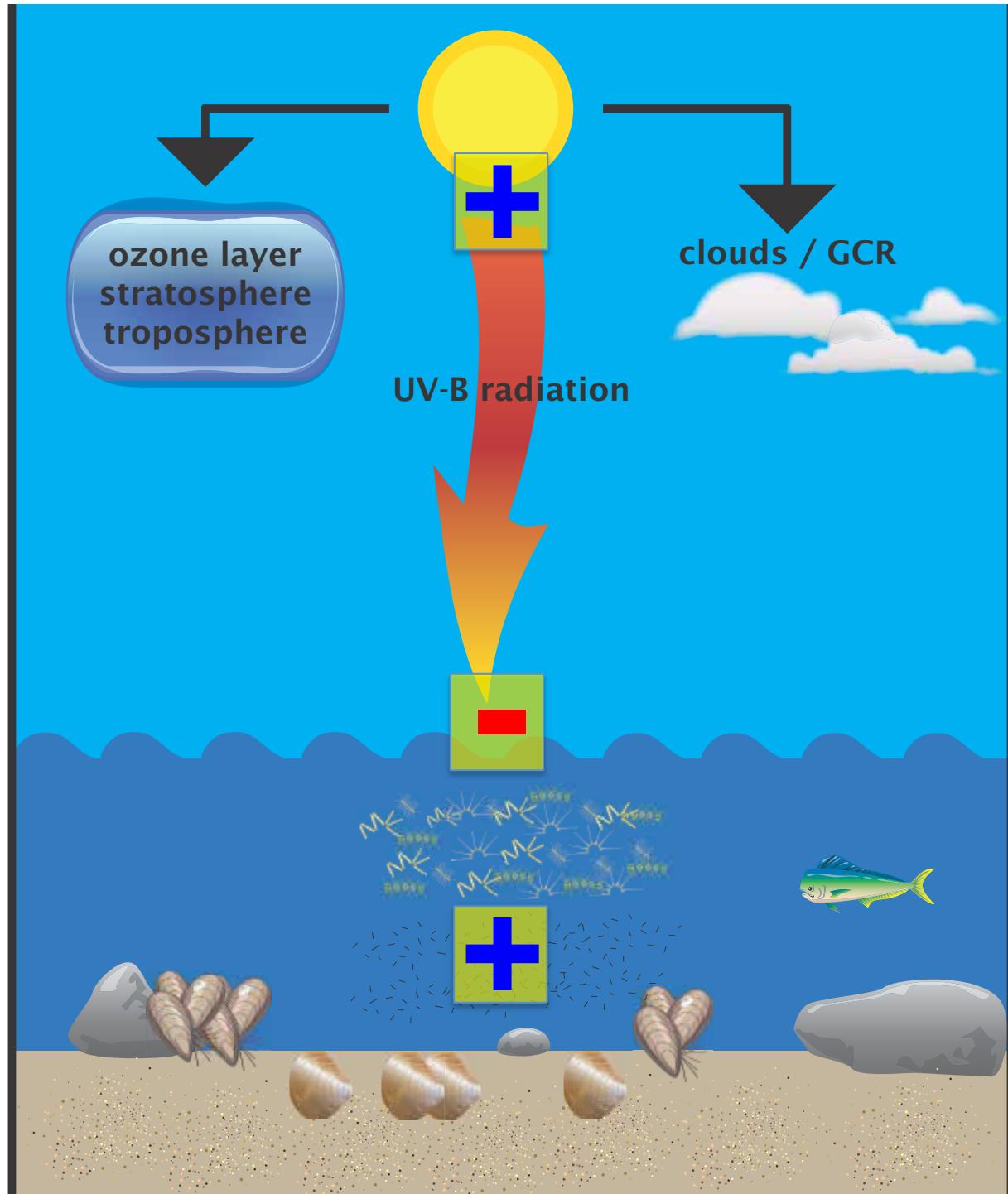
*negative correlation*





*Carroll et al., 2008*  
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*Christensen et al., 1985*

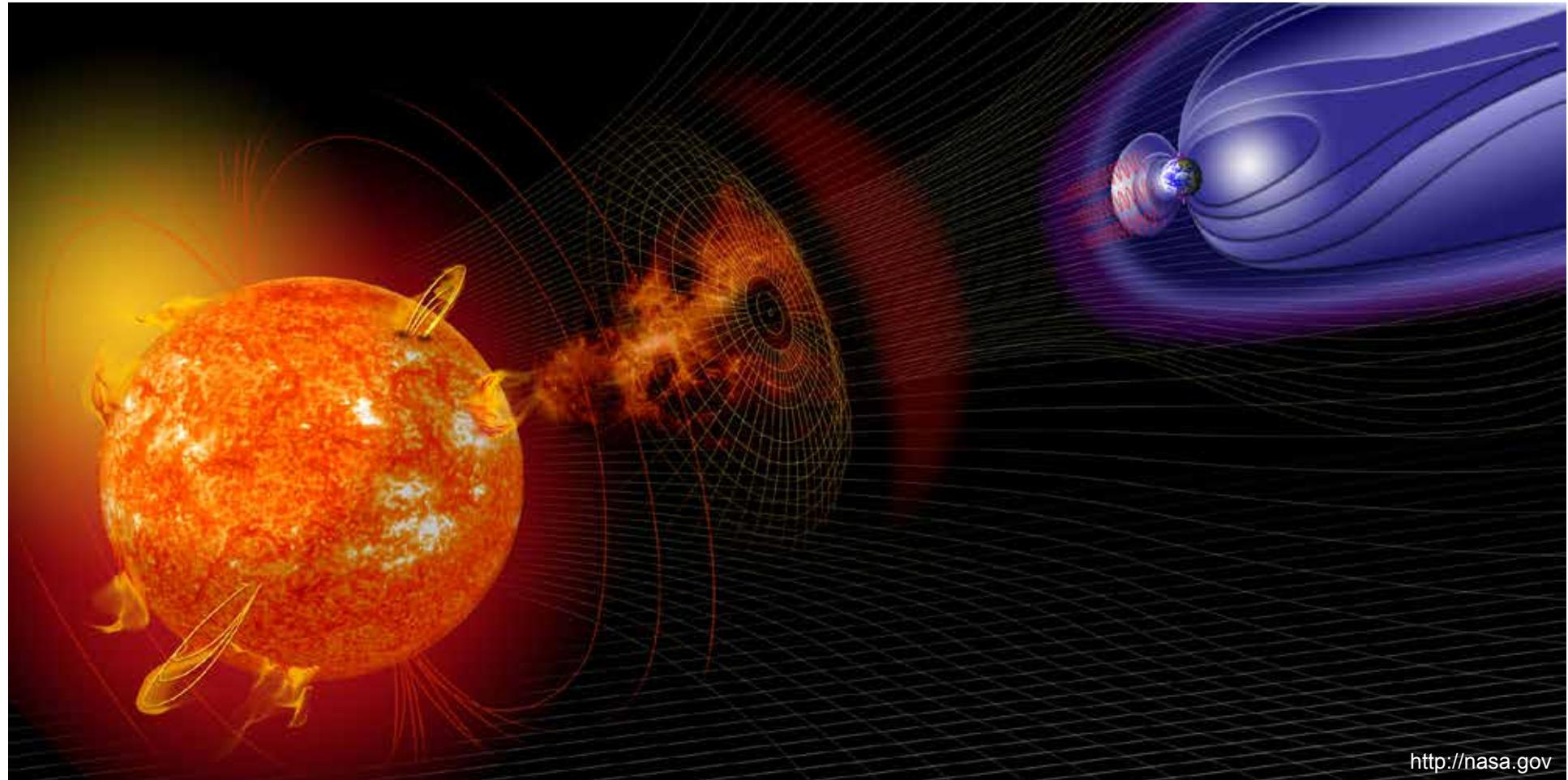
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# Latitude dependence



## Earth's magnetic field

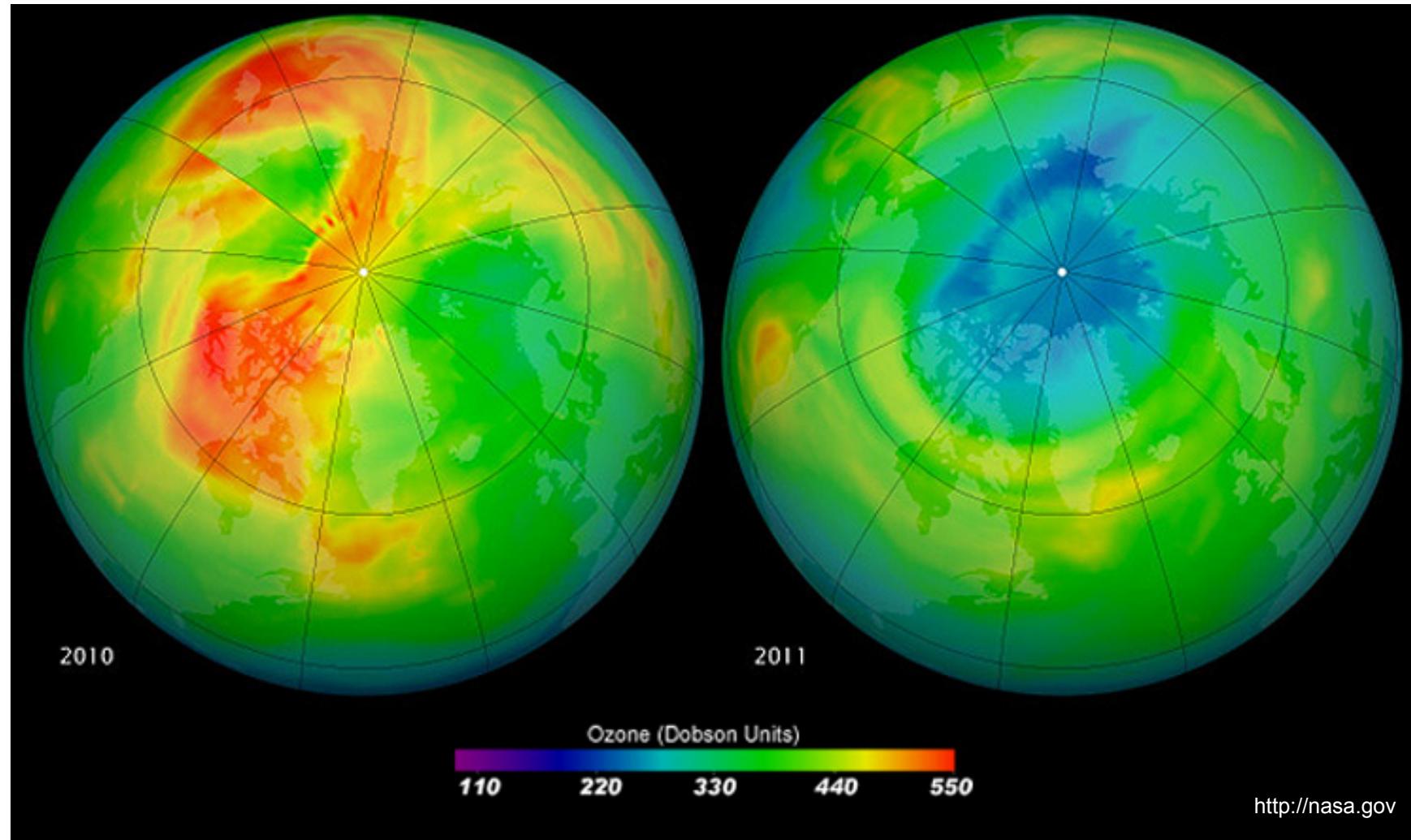


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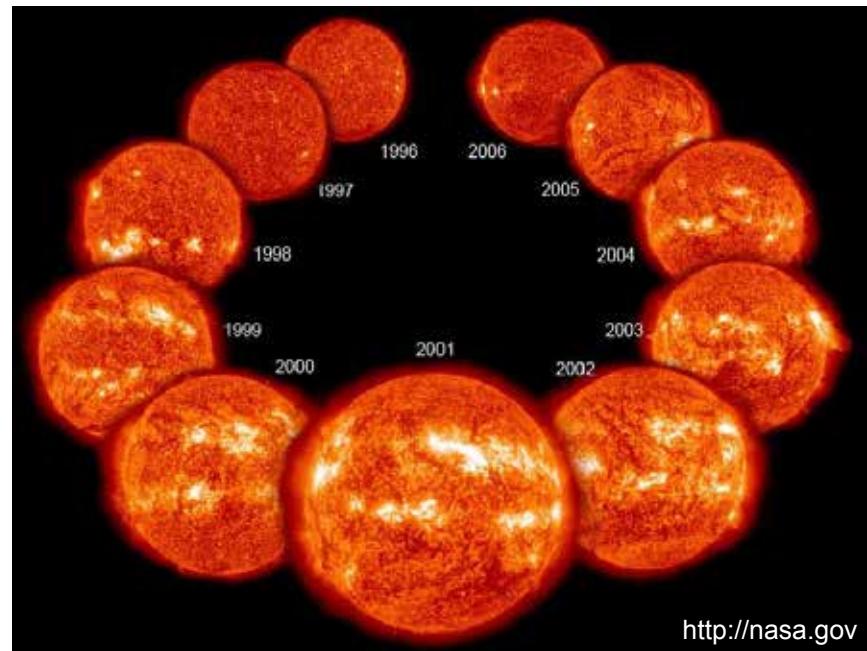
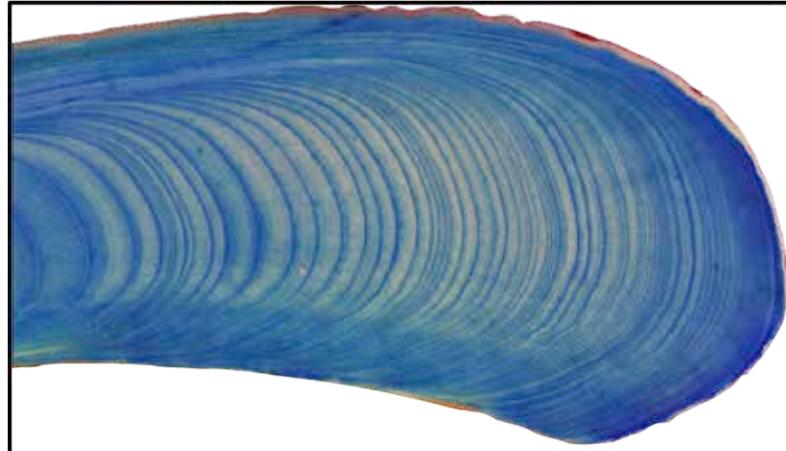


ozone depletion



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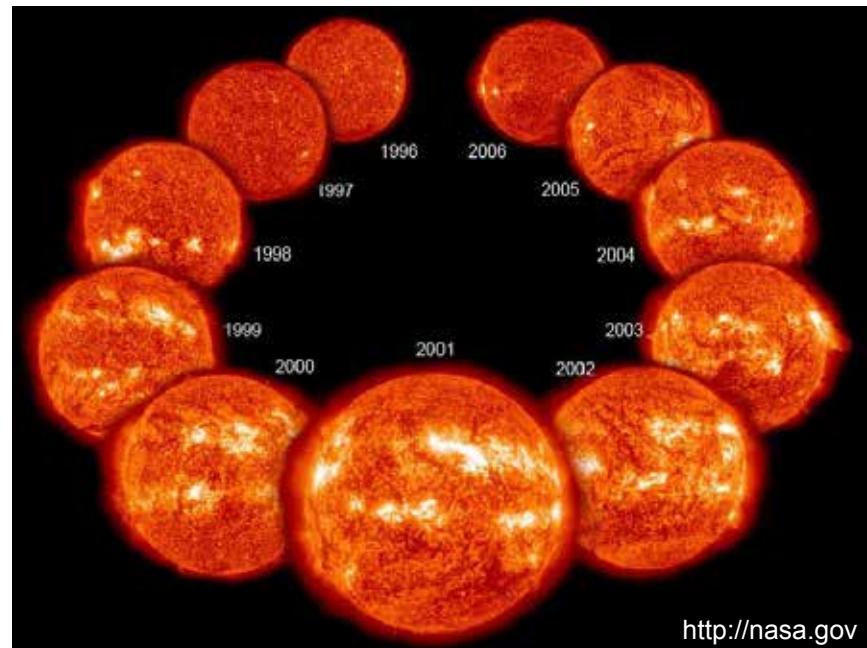
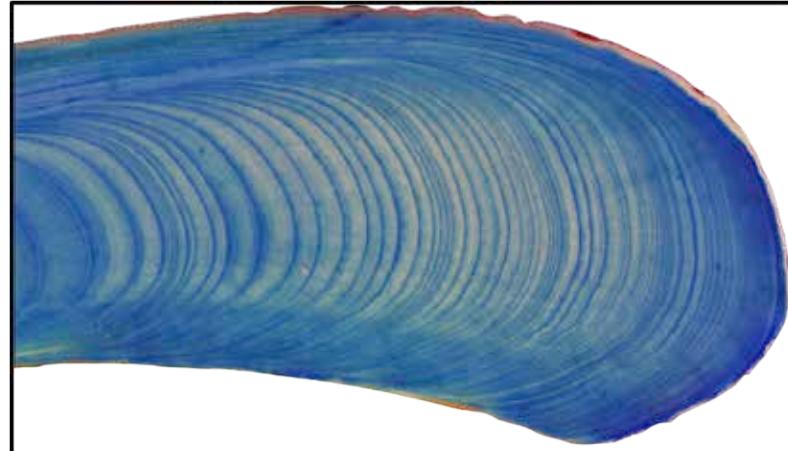
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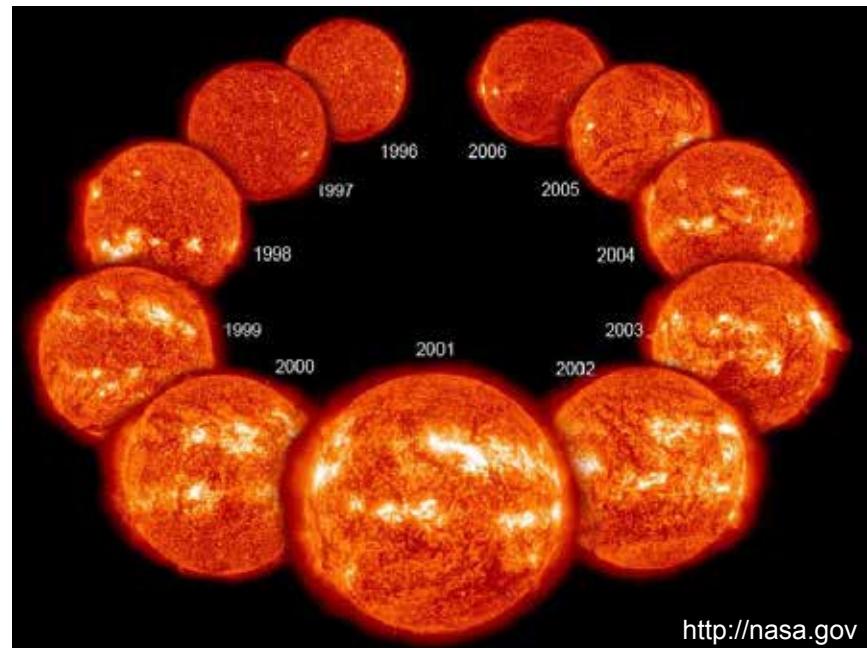
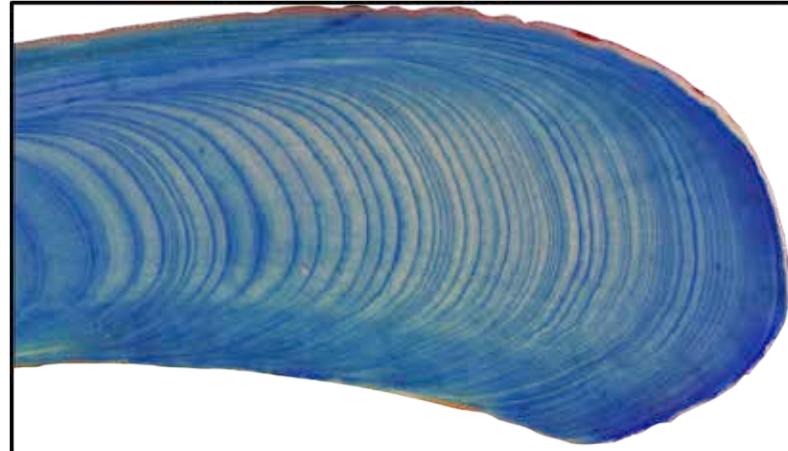
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