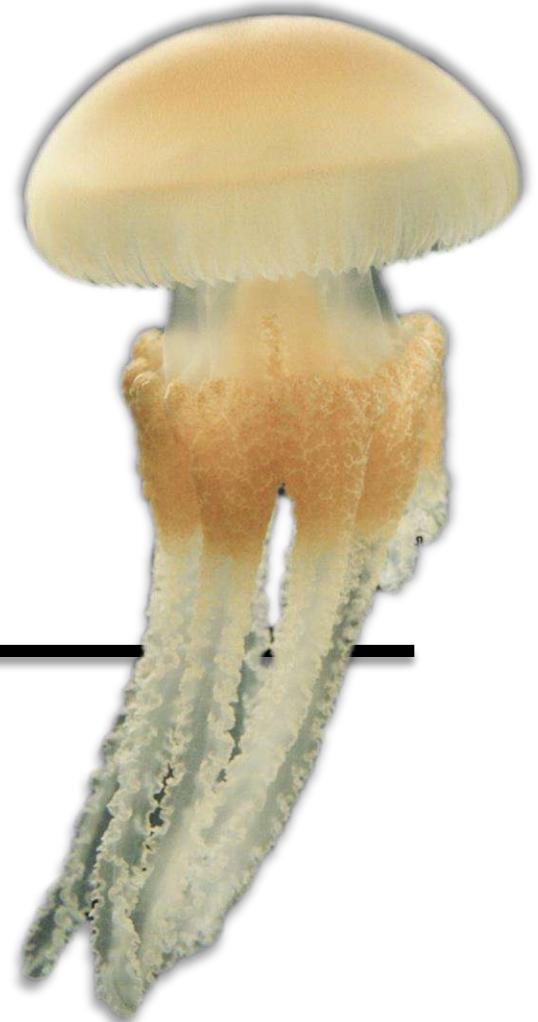


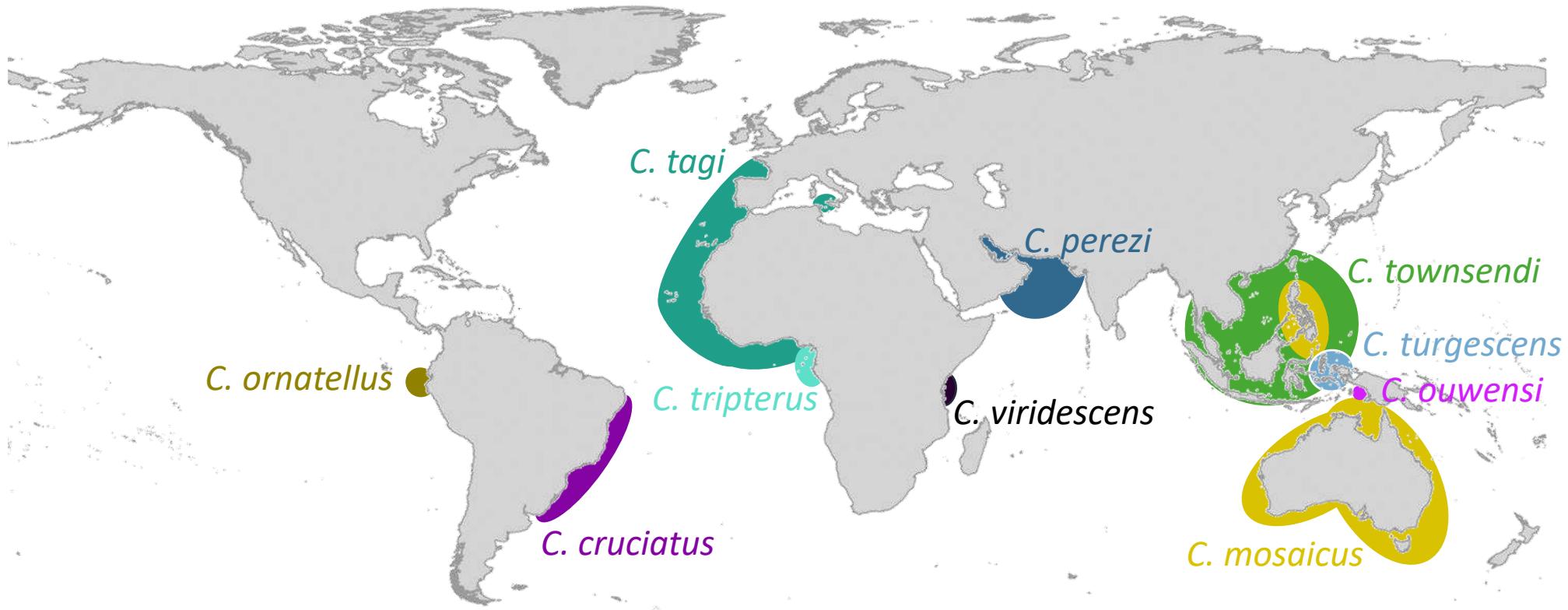


Catostylus tagi life cycle and first insight into its ecology

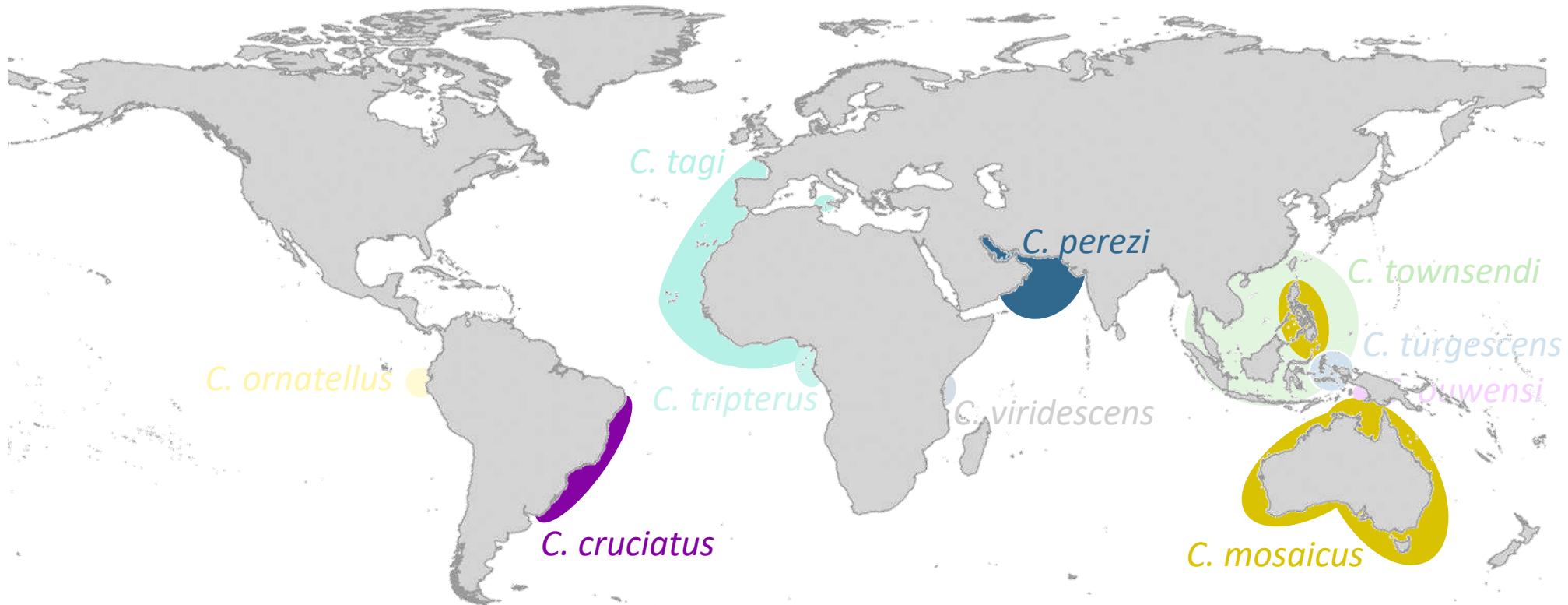
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Recognised *Catostylus* species

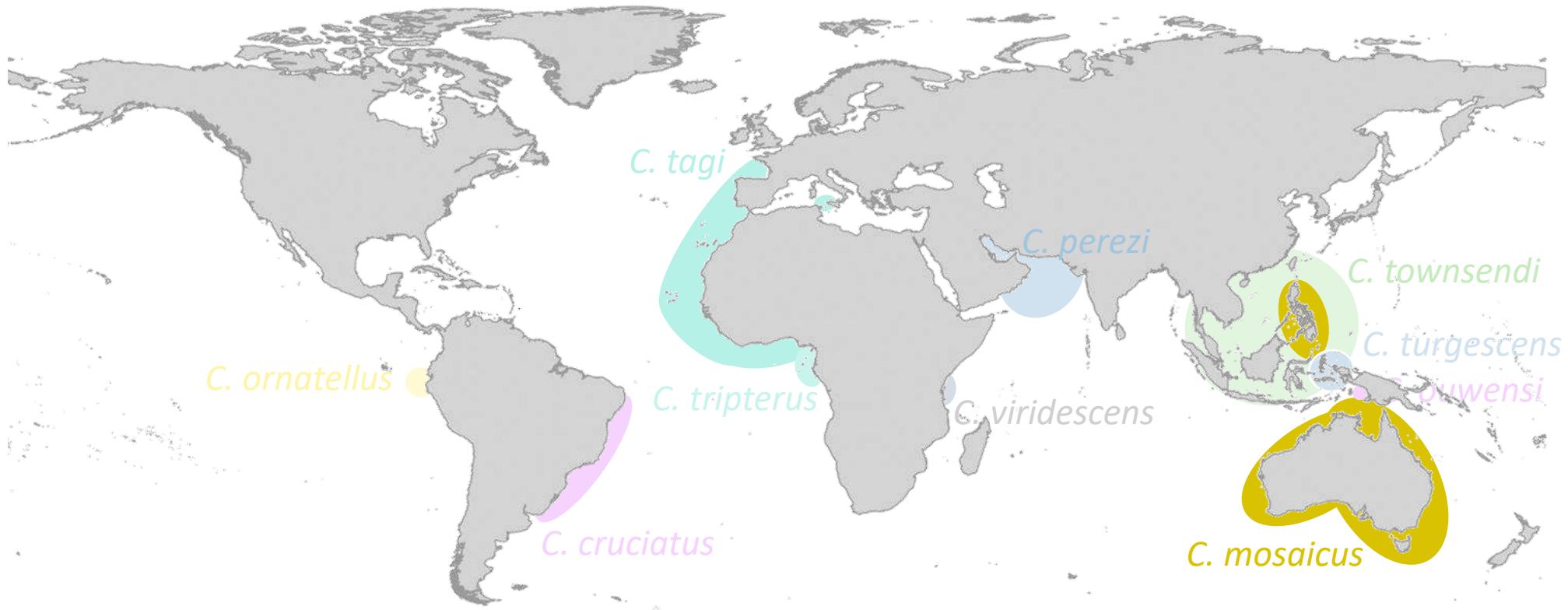


Exploited *Catostylus* (fisheries and/or aquarium)



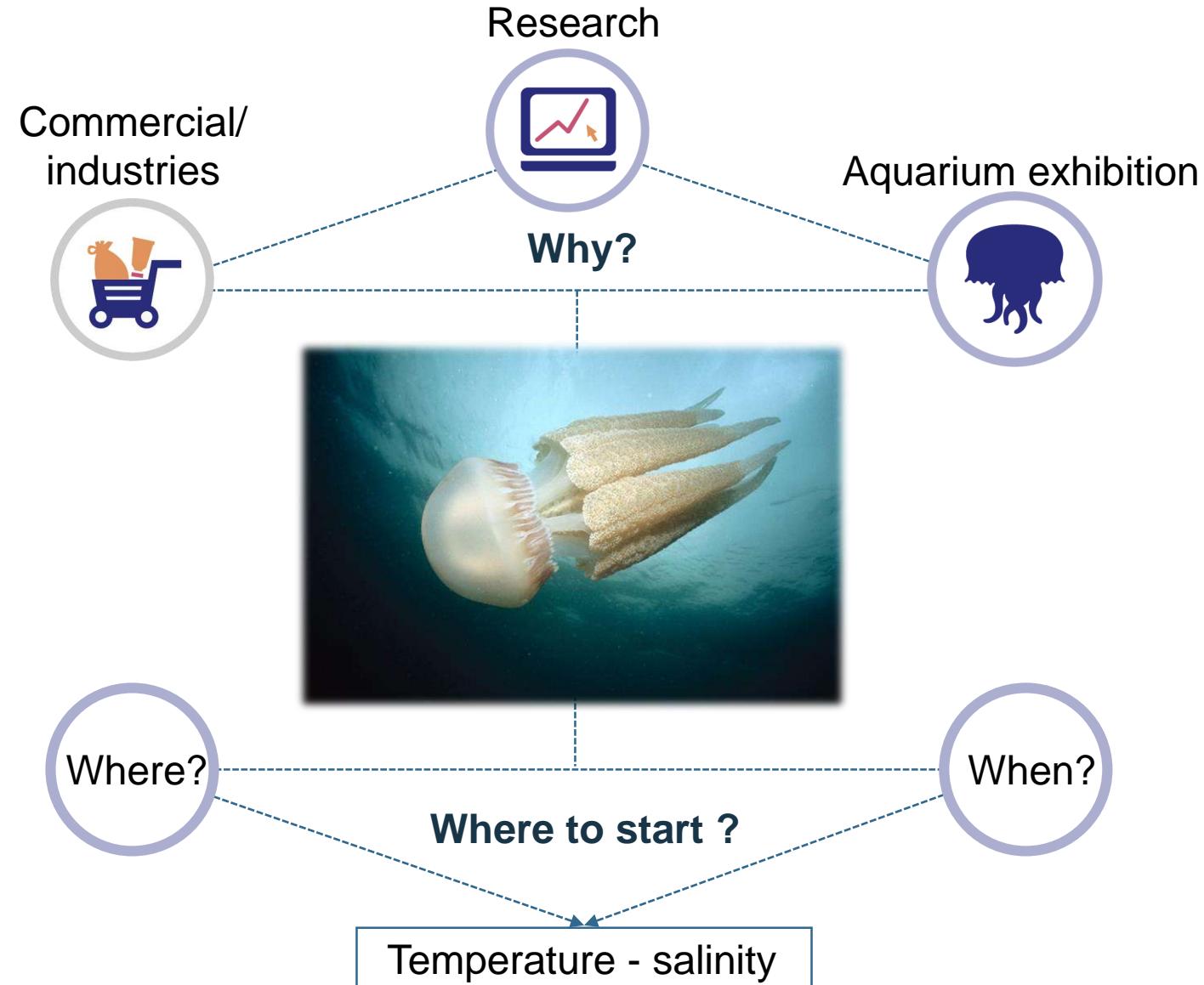
Overview

Known life cycle of *Catostylus* spp





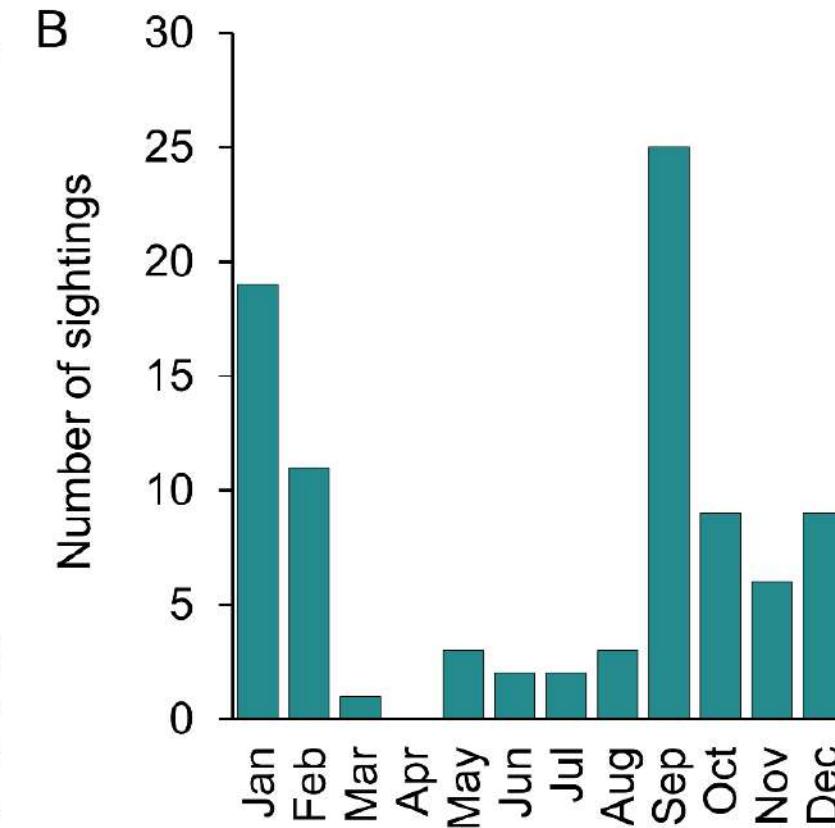
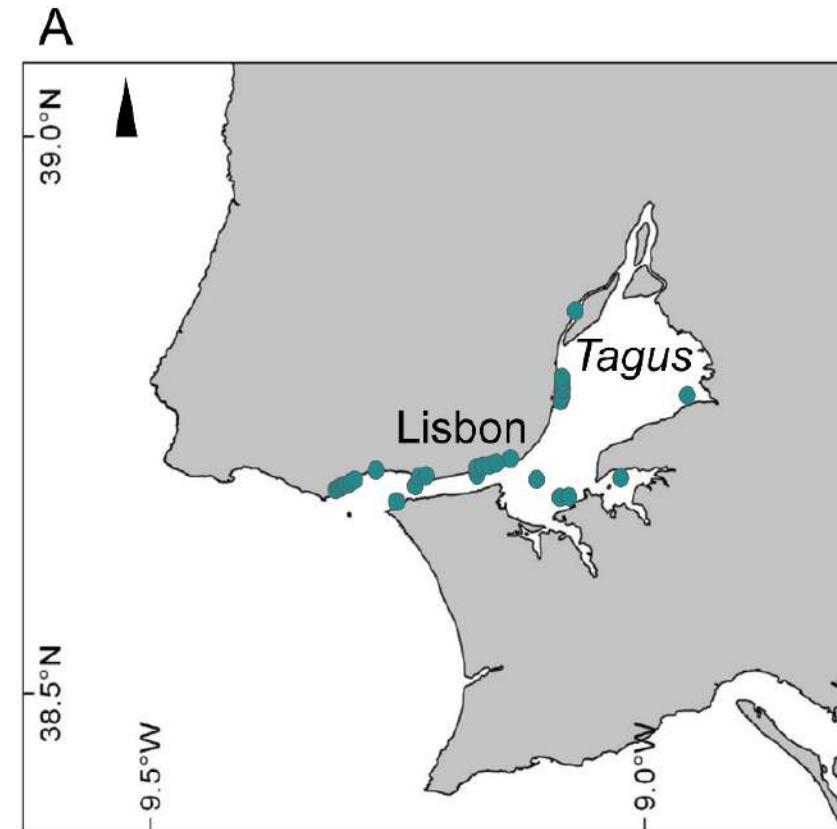
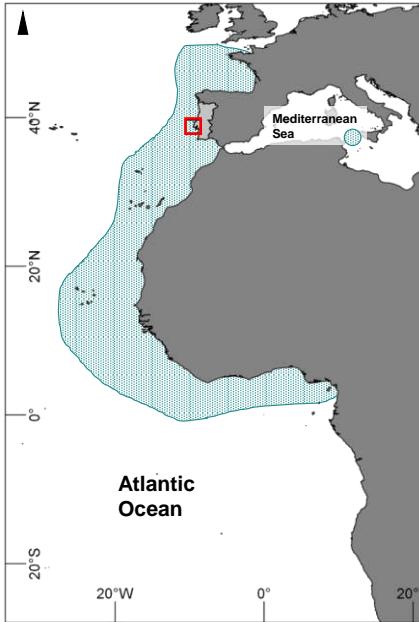
Overview





Work strategy

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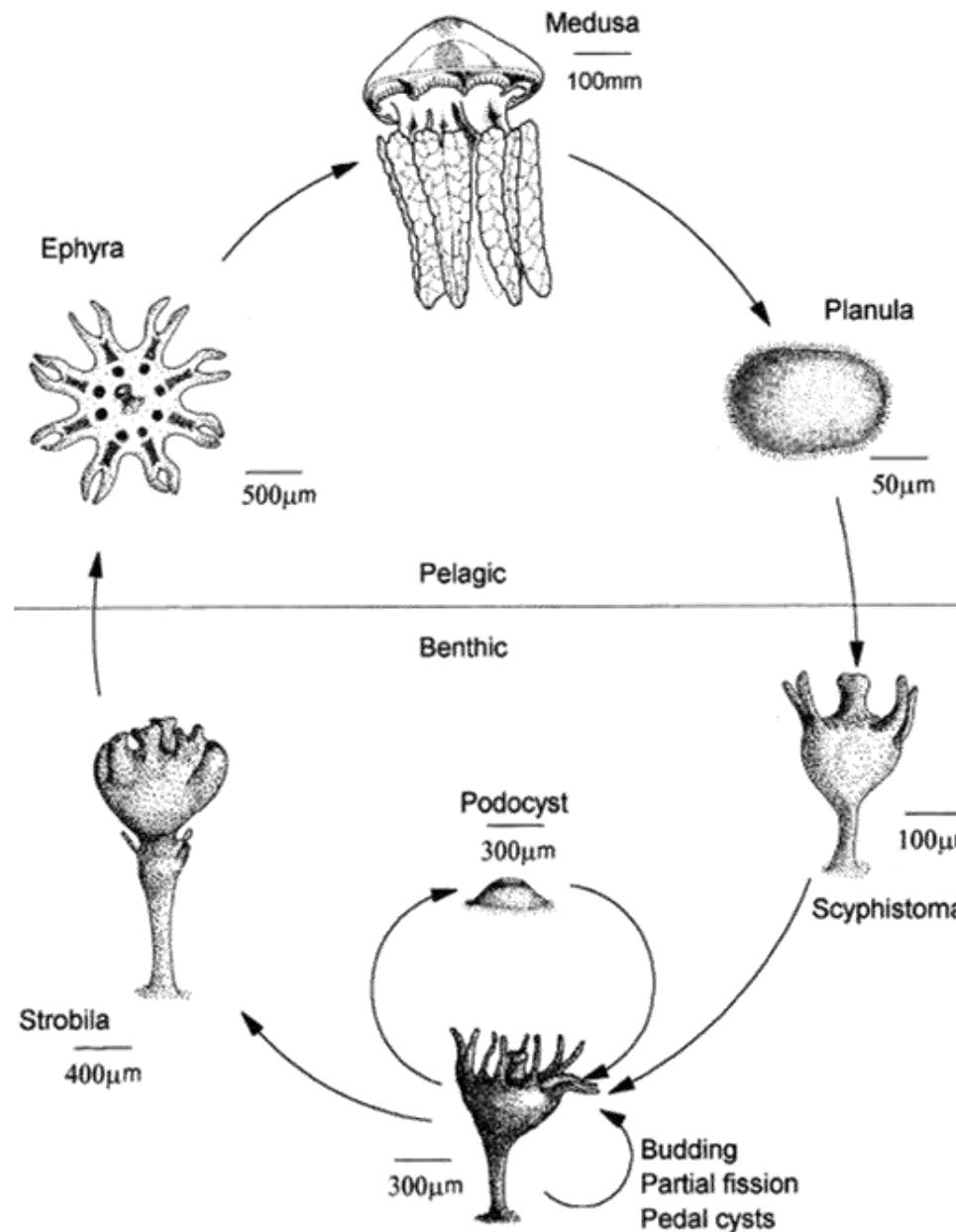
Temperature: 7 to 33 °C

Salinity: 1 to 37‰

(Gameiro et al., 2007; Rodrigues et al., 2017)

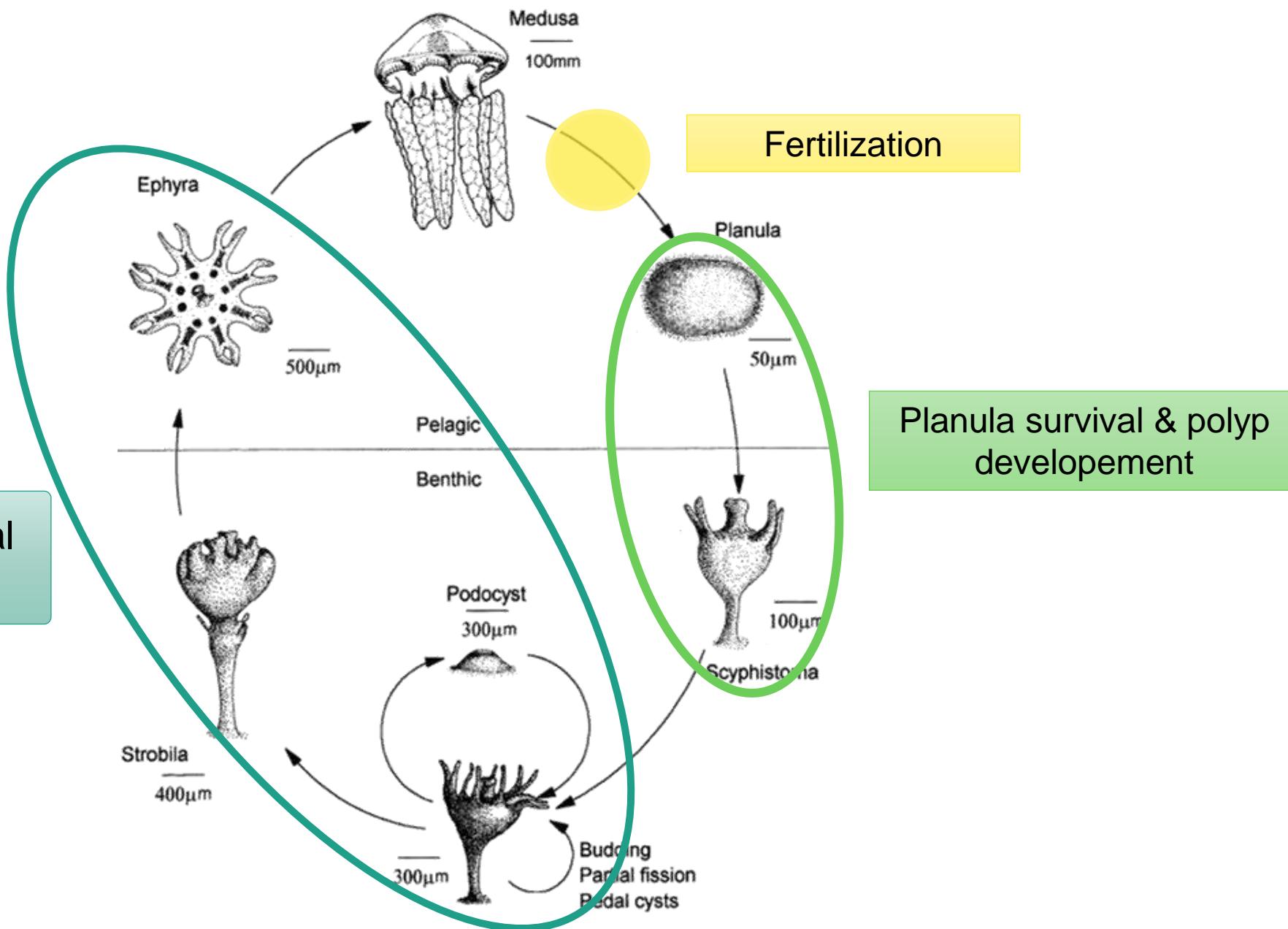


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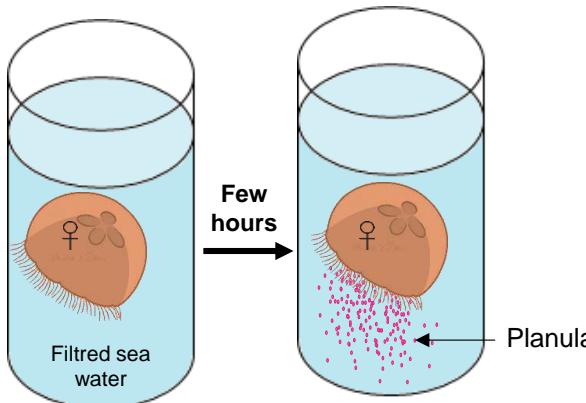




Step 1. Fertilization

Brooding

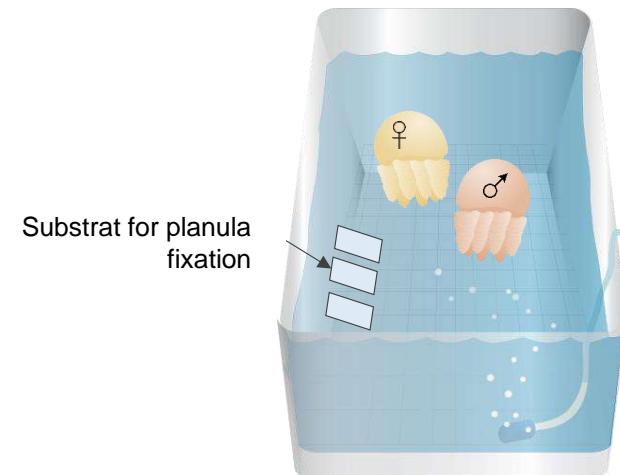
Aurelia spp
Phyllorhiza punctata
Cotylorhiza tuberculata
Rhizostoma luteum
Catostylus mosaicus
...



Non-brooding

Pelagia noctiluca
Rhizostoma pulmo
...

Opt 1. *In vivo* fertilization



Opt 2. *In vitro* fertilization

No idea !!!

Opt 2. *In vitro* fertilization



Step 1. Fertilization

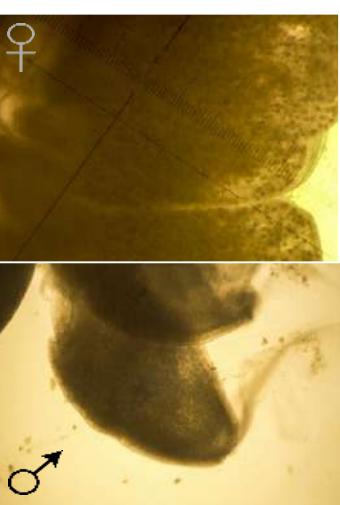
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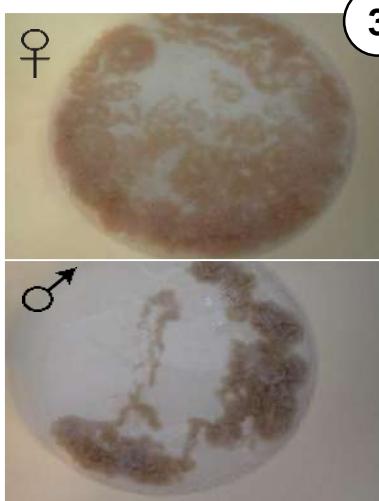
Check gender & gonads maturity



2



Gonads extraction



Remove tissue and gastric cirri



4

gastric cirri



Gonads in seawater and air bubbling

24 – 36 hrs



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Rearing in Oceanário de Lisboa / CMC



Tank: Ephyrae: 11 L Kreisel (8 L jars*) ; metaephyrae: 300 L Kreisel (60 pseudo Kreisel*) ; adults: 300 L Kreisel
[*culture in Maricultura Center of Calheta (CMC) _ Madeira Island]

4 meals per days: Rotifers (*Brachionus plicatilis*) fed with *Nannochloropsis* sp., AF Artemia nauplii (INVE) and smashed mussel flesh (once per day)

Water: $20 \pm 1 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$; 35 salinity

Mid-December (\approx 2wks)



Early-January (\approx 4 wks)



Mid-January



Mid-April

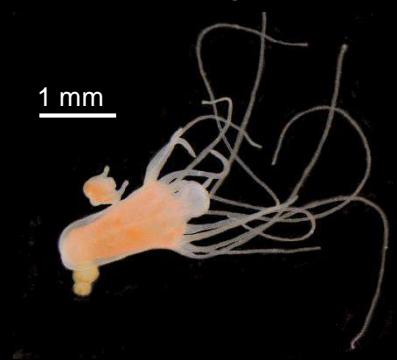




C. tagi life cycle

Planula

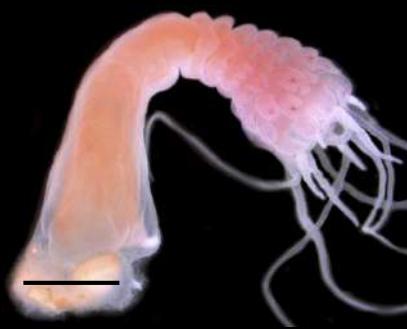
200 μm



Polyp



Strobile

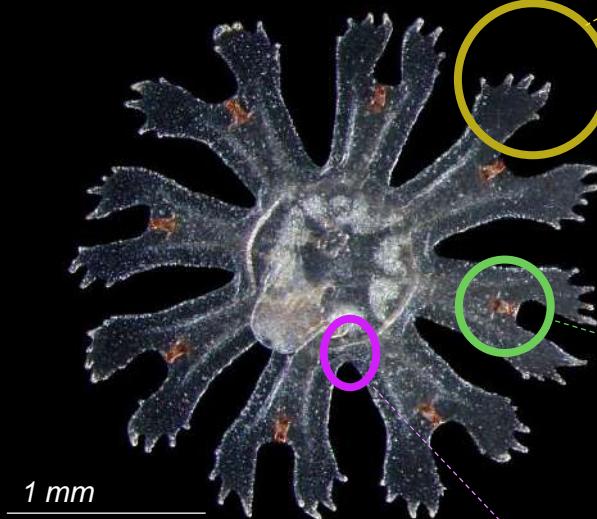


Ephyra – metaephyra

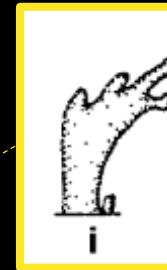




Catostylus tagi



Rhopalial lappet



antler palm-like with finger-like appendages



Rhopalial canal

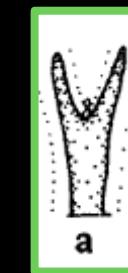
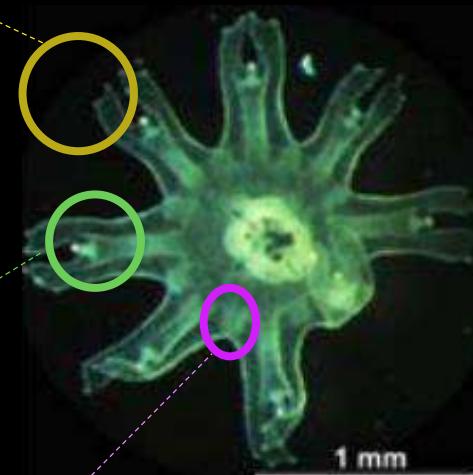
slightly forked, rounded points



Rhombical

Catostylus mosaicus

(Straehler-Pohl & Jarms 2010)



slightly forked



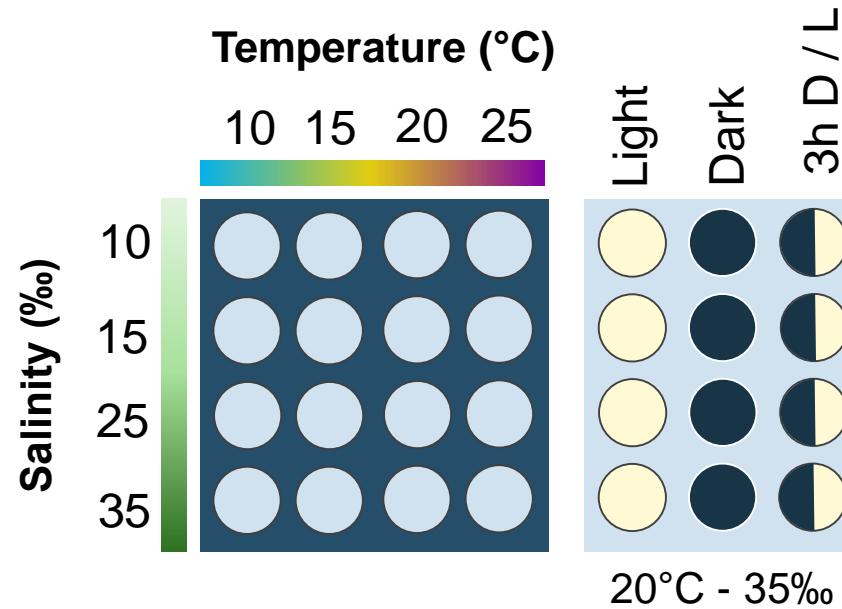
Spade-like



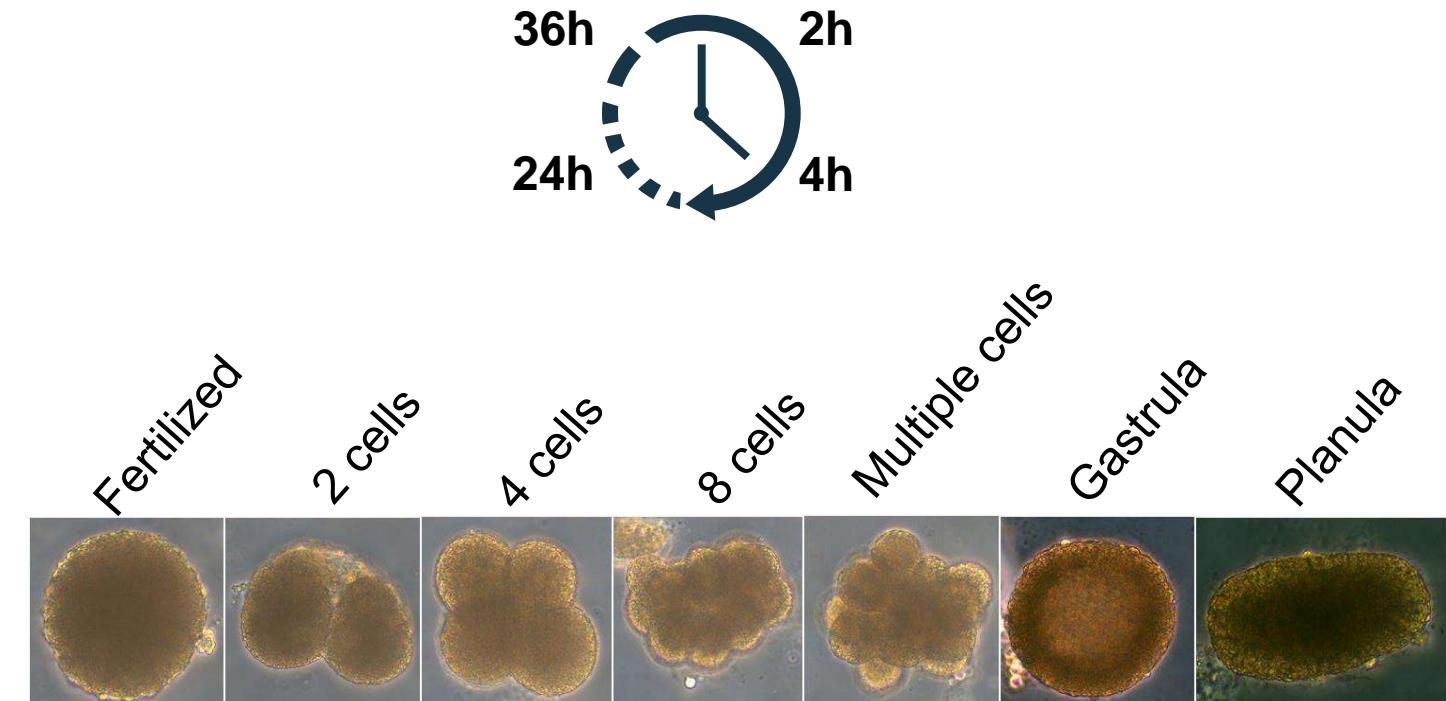
Step 1. Fertilization

Standard conditions: 18°C and 35 salinity => OK

Experimental design

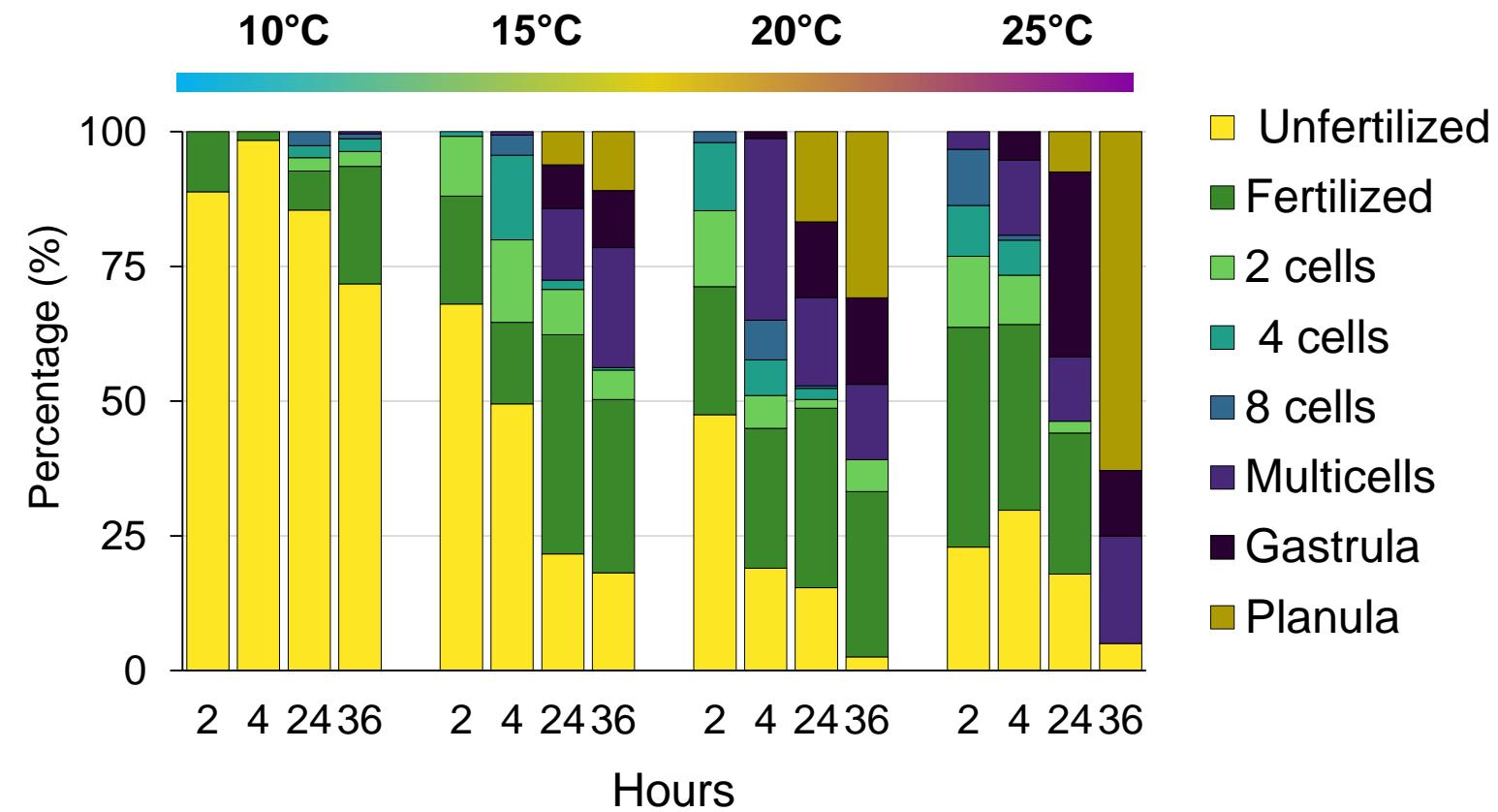
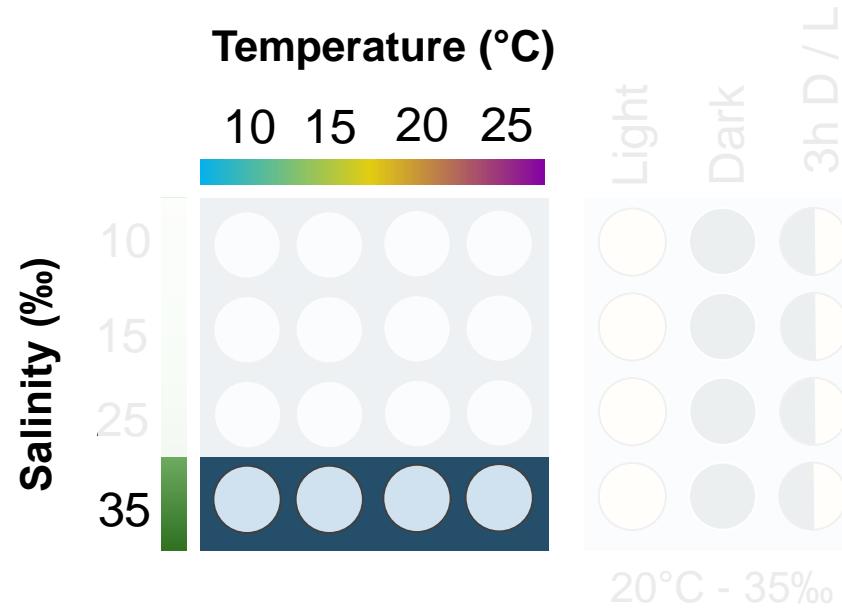
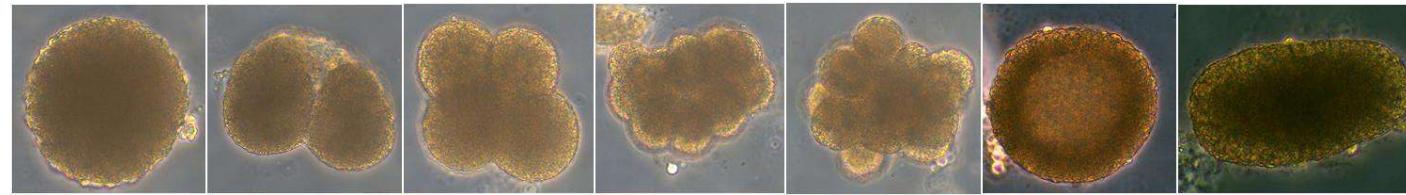


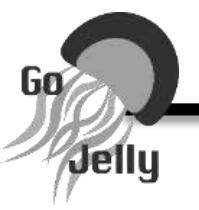
Surveyed parameters





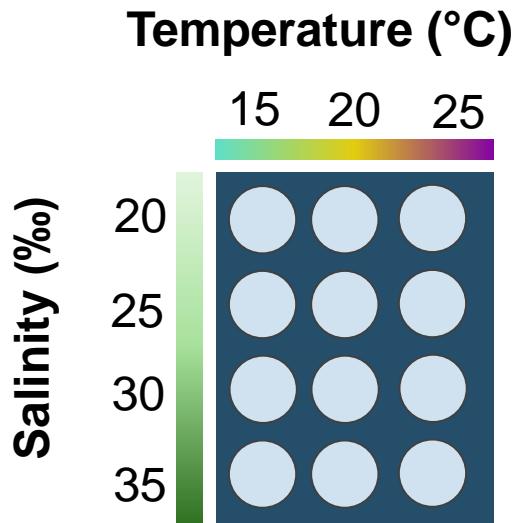
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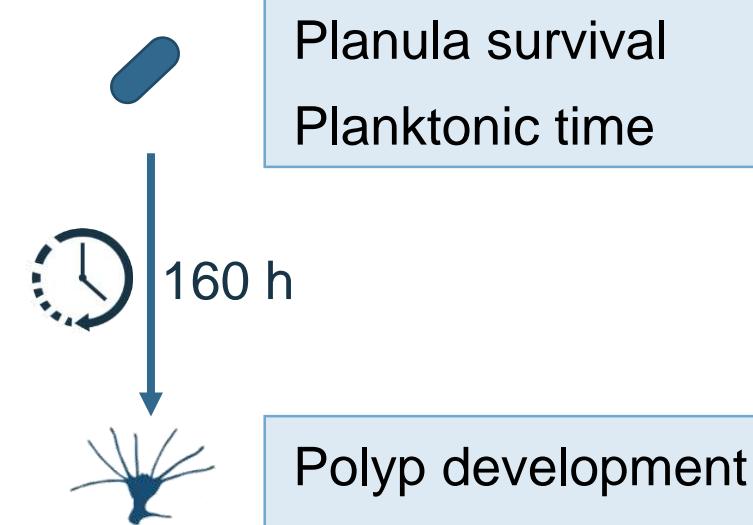


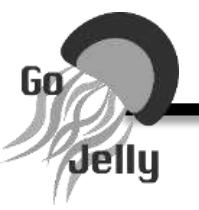
Step 2. Planula and polyp development

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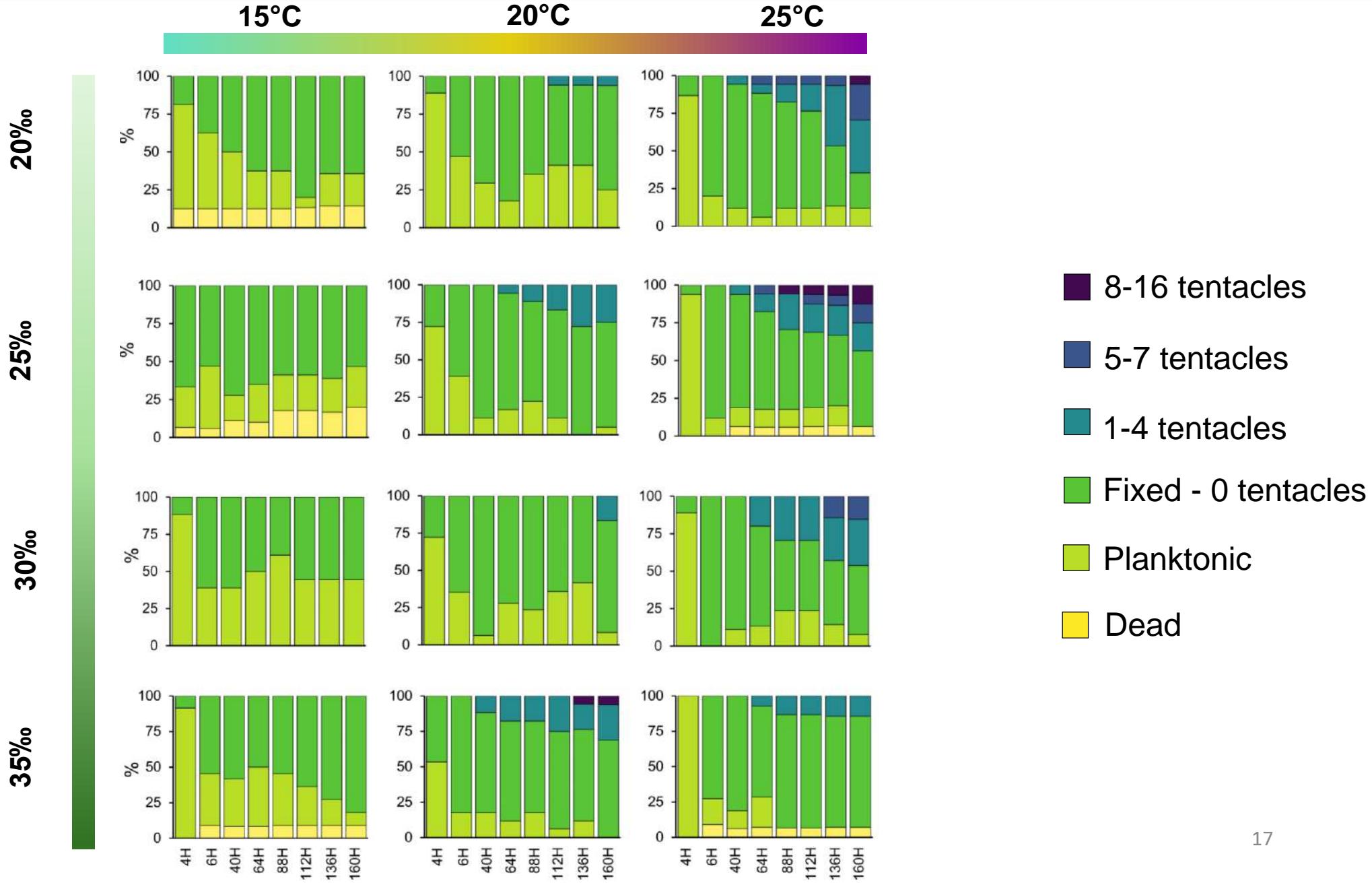


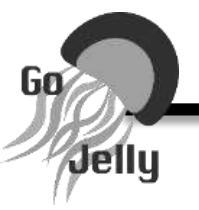
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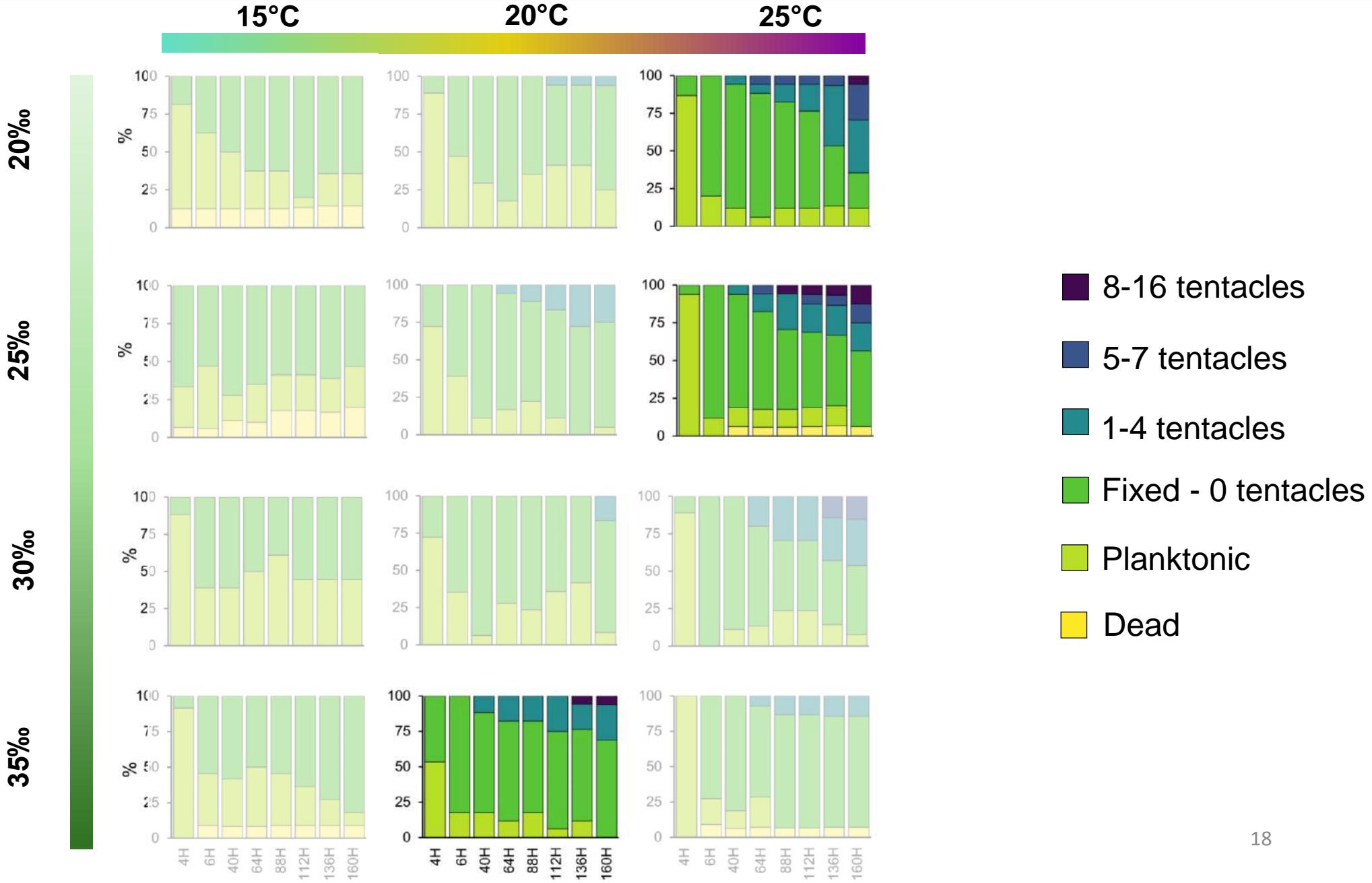


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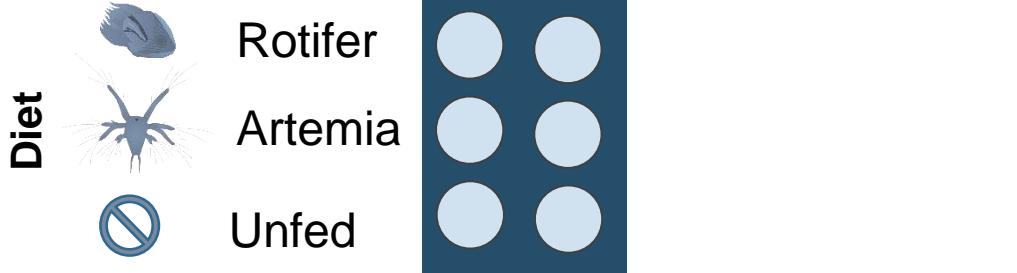
Step 3. Polyp asexual reproduction



Experimental design

Temperature (°C)

15 20

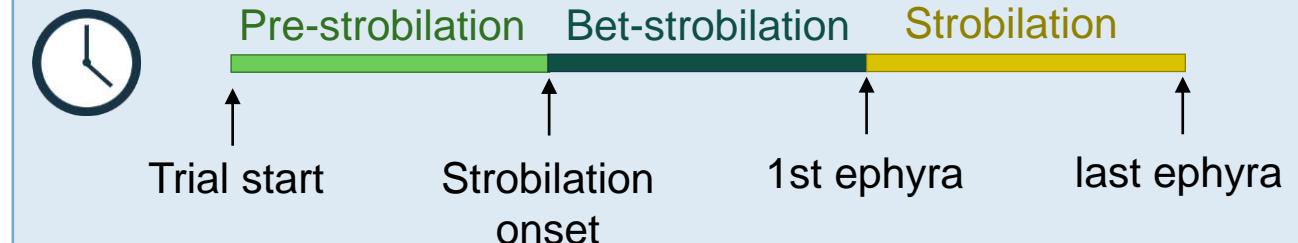


Surveyed parameters (6 weeks)



Polyp asexual reproduction (bud, planuloid, podocyst...)

Strobilation



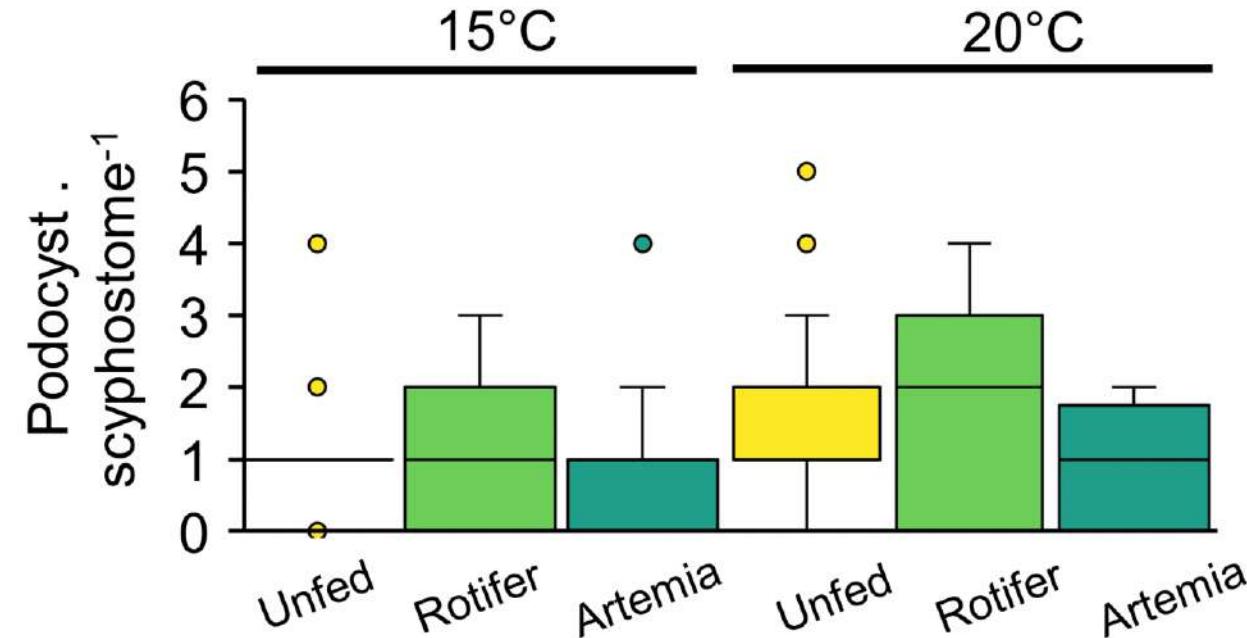
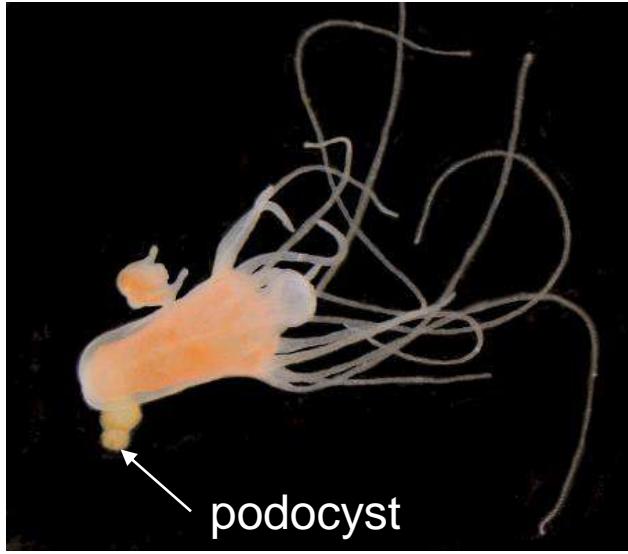
Ephyrae per strobilation



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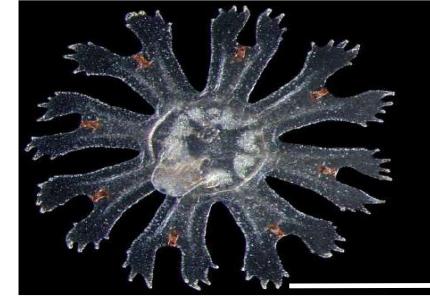
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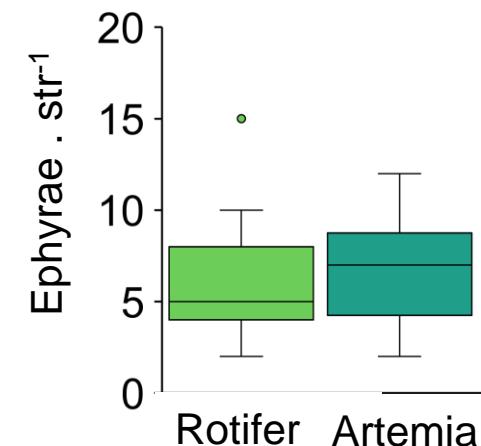
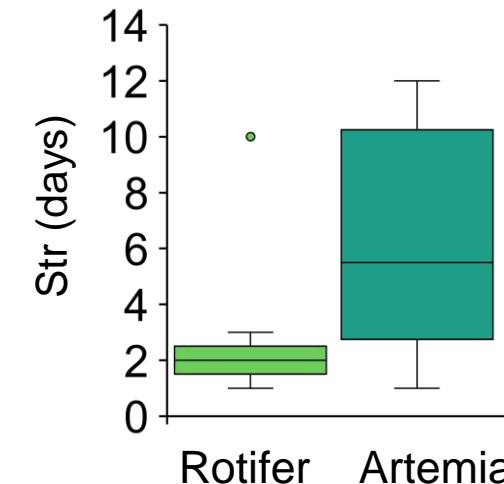
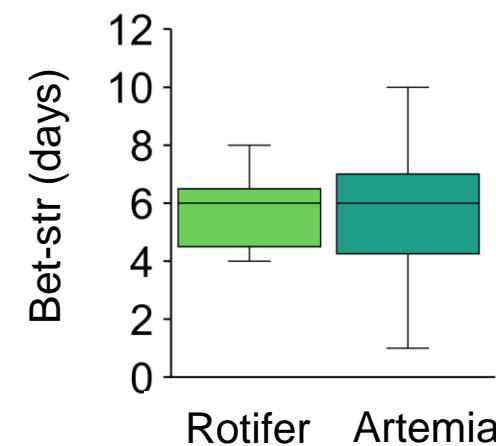
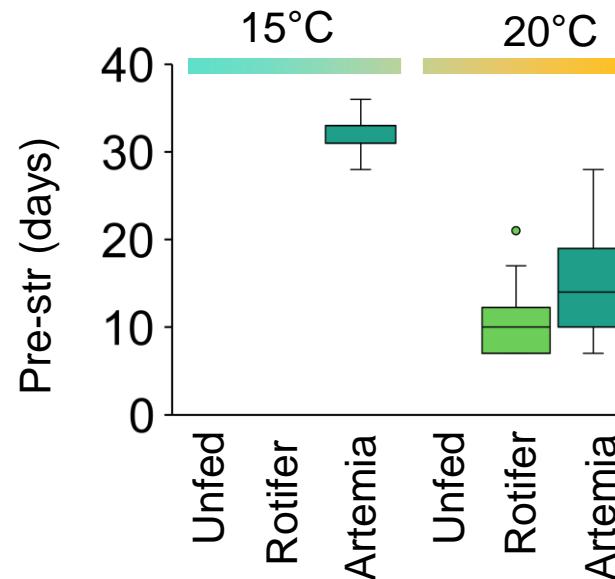
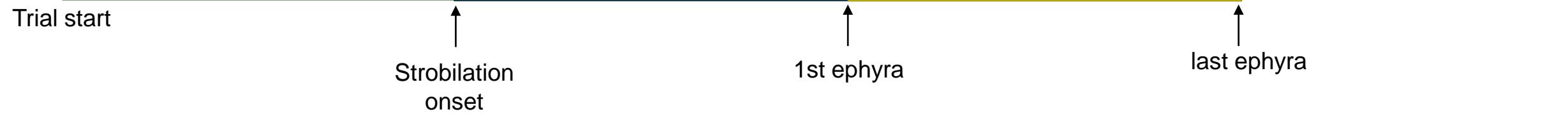
Pre-strobilation



Bet-strobilation



Strobilation





Take home message

Catostylus tagi culture

Step 1. *In vitro* fertilisation

Gonad cleaning

18°C + 35 salinity ; 36 hours

Optimisation **coming soon !!**



Step 2 . Planula

Temperature: 20 – 25°C

Salinity: 20 – 35

Optimum: 25°C - 20 / 25 or 20°C - 35 salinity



Step 3 . Polyp & strobilation

Podocysts

Continuous strobilation: 18 – 25°C

Diet: Rotifers - Artemia





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