

# 研究領域多重角色扮演— 以海洋化學為例

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## An empirical technique to evaluate the UV irradiation time for highly polluted waters prior to ASV detection

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Conducting anodic stripping voltammetry (ASV) to determine non-labile-form metal in a water sample usually requires UV digestion. The time for thoroughly disintegrating metal complexes is lengthy and completion of digestion is not easy to determine. In this study, the degree of dissociation of copper complex, indicated by the ratio of slope changes at ASV titration, was found to be linearly correlated with UV irradiation time ( $r^2 = 0.976$ ). Using slope changes, an equation for estimating the length of UV irradiation time was developed. If the estimated UV digestion time was too long, the same data set could be used to estimate the total concentration of the element using another equation developed from the linear correlation ( $r^2 = 0.990$ ) between the concentration of labile form metal ion and UV irradiation time. The reliability and feasibility of this method were confirmed with standard addition (error < 20%; recovery:  $97.5 \pm 10.9\%$ ).

anodic stripping voltammetry, heavy metals, organic ligands, UV irradiation



## SPECIES OF COPPER AND ZINC IN SEDIMENTS COLLECTED FROM THE ANTARCTIC OCEAN AND THE TAIWAN ERHJIN CHI COASTAL AREA

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### Abstract

The species of copper and zinc, such as bioexchangeable, skeletal, easily reducible (*Fe* and *Mn* oxides), moderately reducible (crystalline *Mn* oxide), organic combined with sulfides, and detritus with minerals, in mud and sand, separated from the surface Antarctic Ocean and the Taiwan Erhjin Chi coastal (including river and estuarine) sediments, have been analyzed by sequential leaching methods. Results show that in the Antarctic Ocean sediments, high concentrations of total copper (128 mg/kg) and zinc (458 mg/kg) were found in the high mud (99.09%) content samples compared with the low concentrations of total copper (83.8 mg/kg) and zinc (288 mg/kg) in low mud (51.69%) content samples. High concentrations of copper, zinc, manganese and iron are possibly due to the characteristics of manganese nodules, in which the species of copper and zinc are mainly contained in the crystalline *Mn* oxide phase. In the Taiwan Erhjin Chi coastal sediments, the total copper and zinc concentrations in mud and sand vary with season and location. High values were generally observed in the river sediments during the dry season, and low values were in the estuarine and coastal sediments during the heavy rainy season. High percentages of copper (as high as 49.4%) and zinc (as high as 76.7%) in mud and sand were in the bioexchangeable phase including the skeletal phase. This result might be correlated with the problems arising from human impact on copper and zinc as well as sewage pollution in Taiwan. In the organic combined phase, biogenic particulate matter related to higher primary productivity in the Antarctic Ocean is also discussed.

**Keywords:** copper species, zinc species, Antarctic Ocean sediments, Taiwan Erhjin coastal sediments, oysters.

### INTRODUCTION

Some toxic and potentially toxic heavy metals are being released to the marine environment at an increasing

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rate. When heavy metals enter the coastal water, the majority are absorbed by suspended organic matter and transferred to sediments. The heavy metals in sediments could be released and the amounts of released metals would be larger than those from the decomposition of plankton (Aplin & Cronin, 1985). The processes of both scavenging of copper from sea water and removal of copper from sediments are also correlated with the species and forms in sea water and sediments (Hung *et al.*, 1991).

Copper and zinc are not only essential elements for animal and plant metabolism but are also very toxic to aquatic life. Since August 1973, heavy metals in river, estuarine and nearshore coastal sediments around Taiwan have been monitored (Hung, 1986). The elevation of levels of heavy metals, particularly copper and zinc, in recent sediments indicated that heavy metal pollution of aquatic systems in Taiwan has increased (Hung & Tsai, 1991a,b). For instance, extremely high contents of copper (as high as 2130 mg/kg) and zinc (as high as 916 mg/kg) were found during the period of first discoloration of cultural oysters observed in the Erhjin Chi coastal area in January 1986 and mortality appeared 3 months later (Hung, 1988). The species (complexed by inorganic and organic anions, labile and non-labile, polar and non-polar, free ion) and forms (particulate and dissolved) of copper are important in causing the greening and mortality of oysters (Han & Hung, 1989; Hung *et al.*, 1989; Han & Hung, 1990a,b; Hung & Han, 1990). More recently, studies indicated that correlations among the copper species and forms in both bottom water and sediments, collected along the Erhjin Chi coastal area, were significant (Hung *et al.*, 1991). On the other hand, the Antarctic Ocean is thought to be one of the less polluted areas in the world, although the primary productivity in the Antarctic Ocean is very high (Hung & Tseng, 1978). Therefore, the purpose of this paper is to study the significance of copper and zinc species in surface sediments collected from both the Antarctic Ocean and the Taiwan Erhjin Chi coastal area. In addition, human impact on copper and zinc in the marine environment in Taiwan is evaluated.

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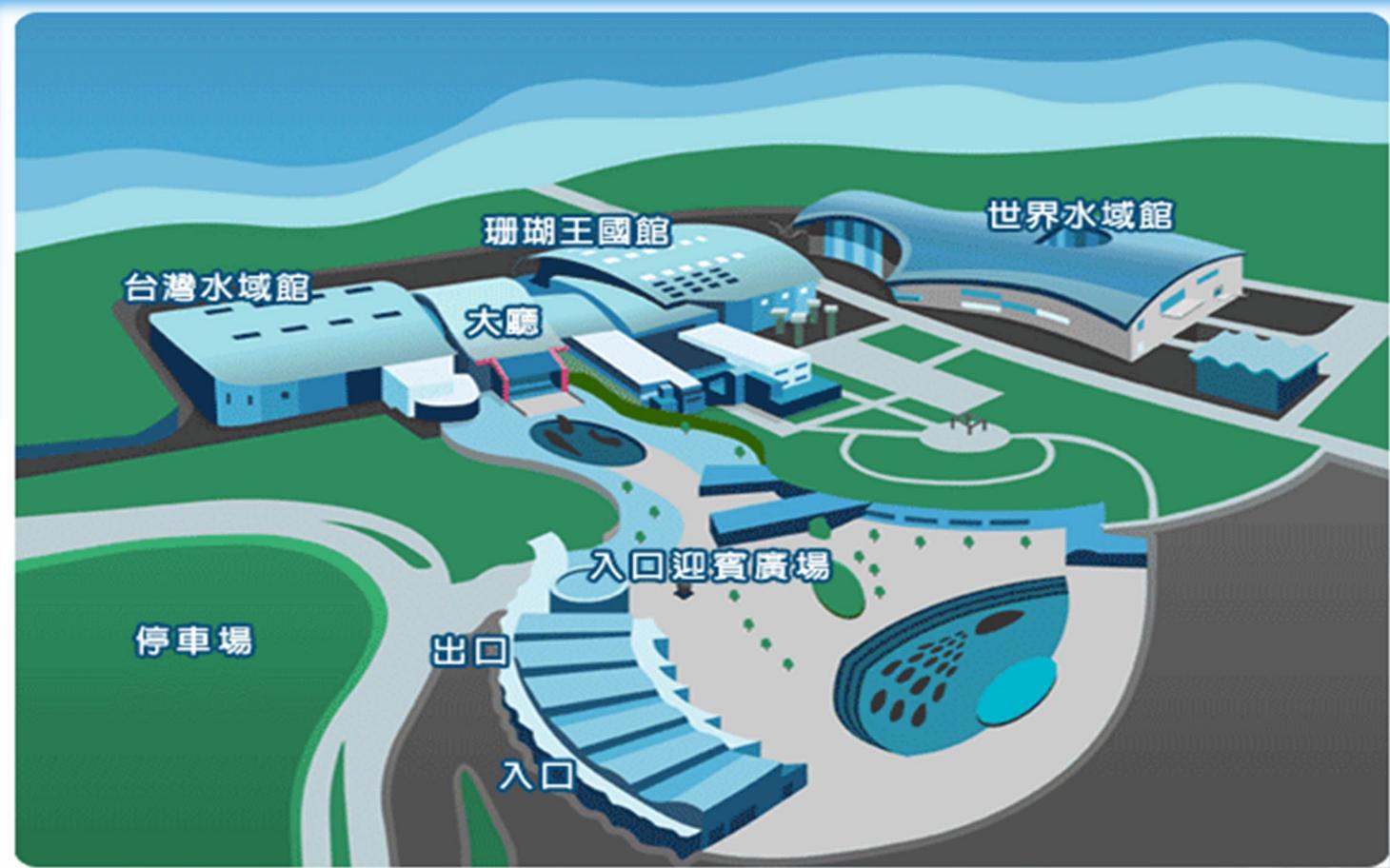
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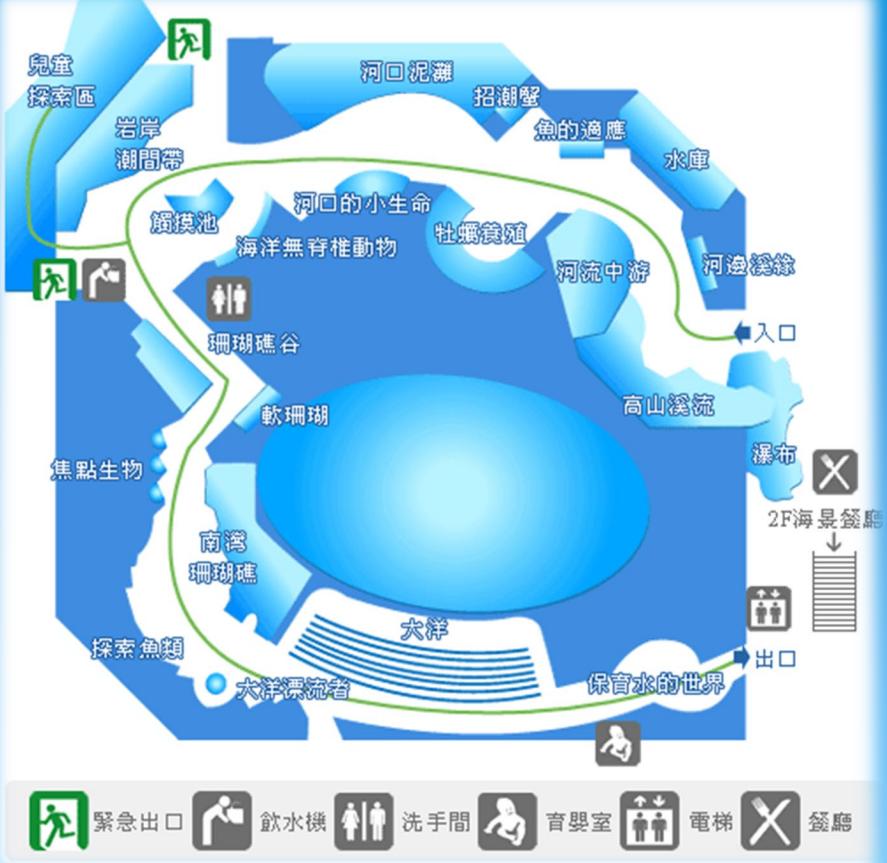
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# 樣品來源

本檢驗室檢測之樣品來源為展示場各區展示水缸，由本檢驗室派員至現場進行樣品之採集及現場檢測作業，採樣人員於採樣時並同時填寫現場紀錄。





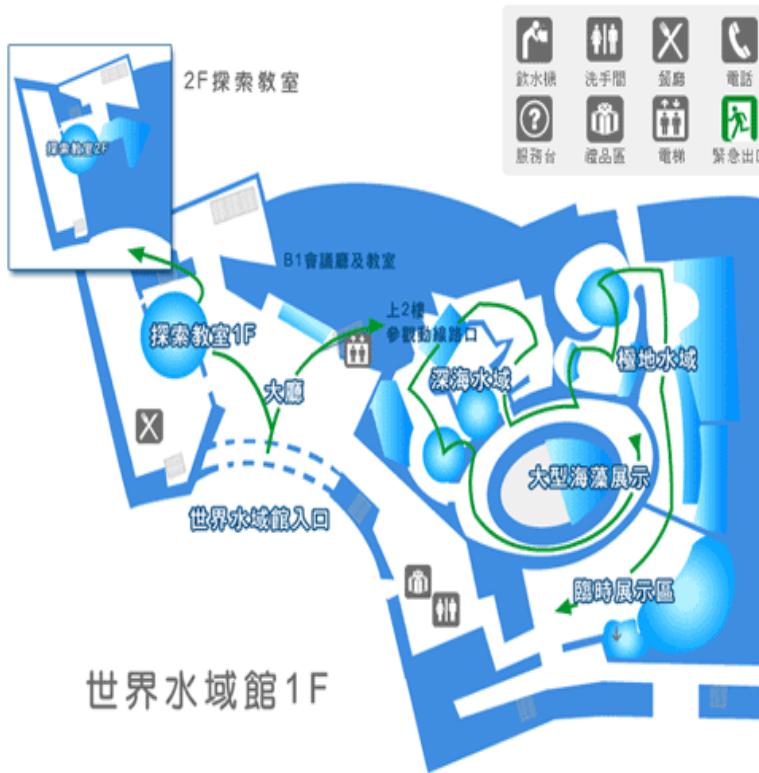
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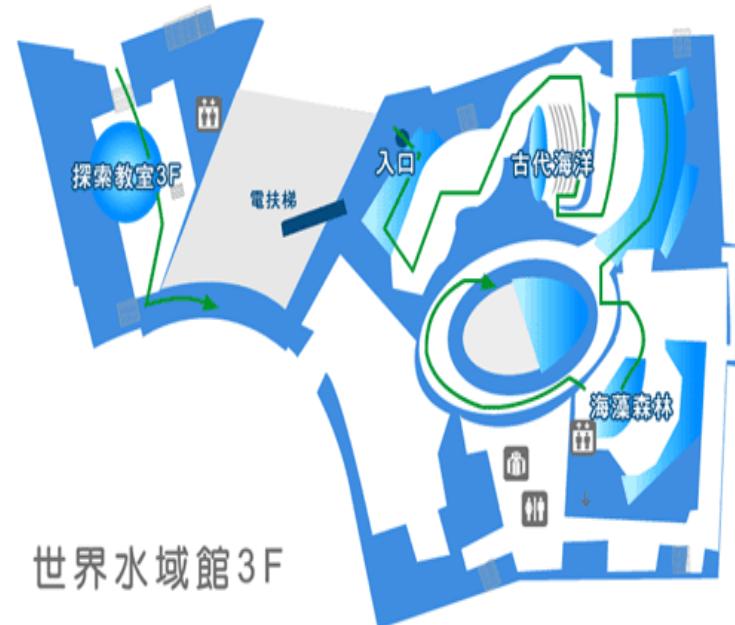
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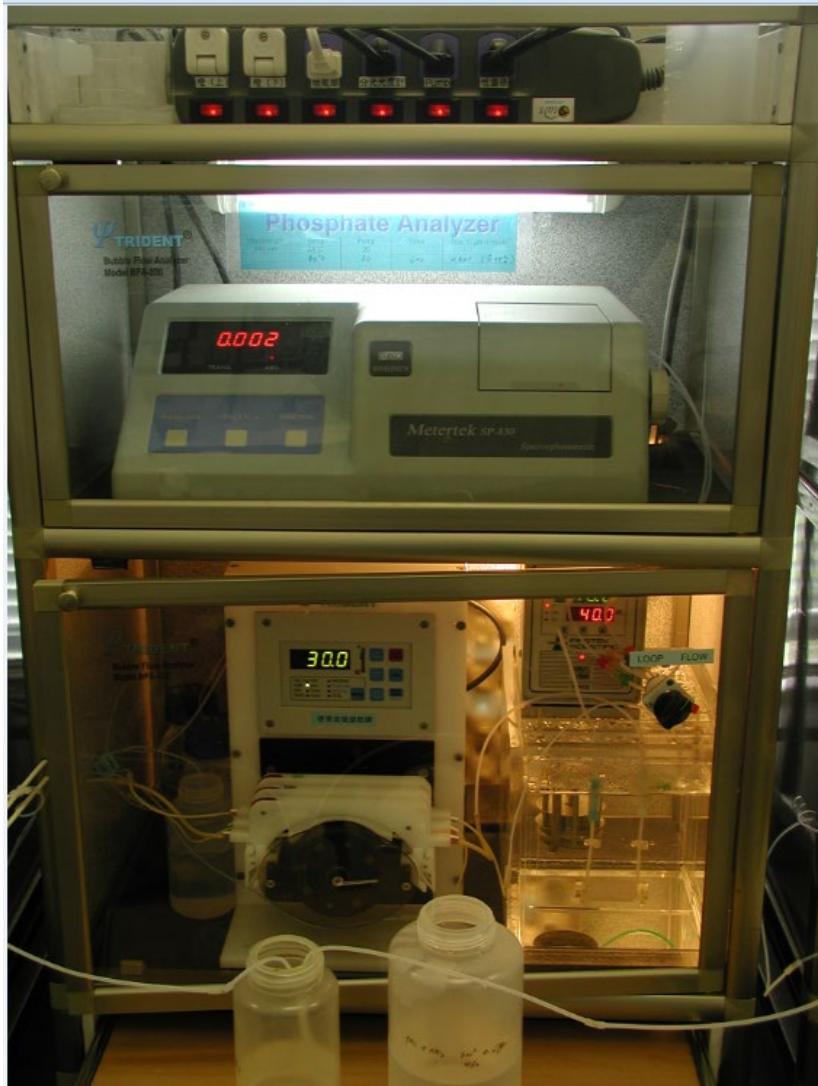


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水質標準表

項次 組別	水溫 ℃	DO %	鹽度 ppt	pH	NH <sub>3</sub> -N ppm	PO <sub>4</sub> -P ppm	NO <sub>2</sub> -N ppm	NO <sub>3</sub> -N ppm	濁度 ntu	燈光
河邊溪流	21~29	80~110	0~3	7.5~8.7	<0.1	<1	<0.05	<1	0.5	日光燈(40w*2)*3組
高山溪流②	15~18	80~110	0~3	7.5~8.7	<0.1	<0.3	<0.05	<1	0.3	日光燈(400w)*10組
河流中游	20~26	80~110	0~3	7.5~8.7	<0.1	<0.3	<0.05	<1	0.3	日光燈(400w)*13組
魚的適應流水	21~28	80~110	0~3	7.5~8.7	<0.1	<1	<0.05	<1	0.5	日光燈(400w)*1組+日光燈(40w*2)*1組
河口生態環境	21~28	80~110	30~35	7.7~8.4	<0.1	<0.3	<0.05	<0.5	0.6	日光燈(400w)*20組
河口幼生	21~28	80~110	30~35	7.7~8.4	<0.1	<0.3	<0.05	<0.5	0.3	日光燈(20w*2)*1組
牡蠣箱	23~28	80~110	30~35	7.7~8.4	<0.1	<0.3	<0.05	<0.5	0.3	日光燈(400w)*10組+日光燈(40w*2)*13組
軟珊瑚②	24~27.5	85~110	32~34.8	7.8~8.3	<0.05	<0.01	<0.05	<0.1	0.3	日光燈(1000w)*5組
無脊椎動物	23~28	80~110	30~35	7.7~8.4	<0.1	<0.3	<0.05	<0.5	0.3	日光燈(400w)*1組 海葵缸為1000w
觸摸池	23~28	80~110	30~35	7.7~8.4	<0.1	<0.3	<0.05	<0.5	0.5	小日光燈(15w)*24組
岩岸潮間帶	23~28	80~110	30~35	7.7~8.4	<0.1	<0.3	<0.05	<0.5	0.3	日光燈(400w)*10組
魚類的生存之	23~28	80~110	30~35	7.7~8.4	<0.1	<0.3	<0.05	<0.5	0.3	日光燈(400w)*2組+日光燈(40w*2)*1組
珊瑚礁谷②	23~28	80~110	30~35	7.7~8.4	<0.1	<0.3	<0.05	<0.5	0.3	日光燈(400w)*10組
南灣珊瑚礁②	23~28	80~110	30~35	7.7~8.4	<0.1	<0.3	<0.05	<0.5	0.3	日光燈(1000w)*7組
大洋池②	23~28	80~110	30~35	7.7~8.4	<0.1	<0.5	<0.05	<0.5	0.3	日光燈(1000w)*10組+日光燈(40w*3)*20組
群游	23~28	80~110	30~35	7.7~8.4	<0.1	<0.3	<0.05	<0.5	0.3	日光燈(400w)*3組
保育水的世界	23~28	80~110	30~35	7.7~8.4	<0.1	<0.3	<0.05	<0.5	0.3	日光燈(400w)*7組
水庫②	20~26	80~110	0~3	7.5~8.7	<0.1	<0.3	<0.05	<1	0.3	日光燈(1000w)*2組
大洋的漂流者	23~28	80~110	30~35	7.7~8.4	<0.1	<0.5	<0.05	<0.5	0.5	日光燈(40w*2)*2組外加150w複合層燈*1藍燈*1

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石珊瑚缸	23.5~28	85~110	32~34.8	7.7~8.3	<0.05	<0.01	<0.05	<0.05	0.3	鹵素燈(1000w)*8組 PAR標準350
軟珊瑚缸	23.5~28	85~110	32~34.8	7.7~8.3	<0.05	<0.03	<0.05	<0.1	0.3	鹵素燈(1000w)*7組+藍燈(400w)*2組 PAR標準230
柳珊瑚缸	23.5~28	85~110	32~34.8	7.7~8.3	<0.05	<0.01	<0.05	<0.05	0.3	鹵素燈(1000w)*6組+藍燈(400w)*2組 PAR標準200
碰撞池	23.5~28	85~110	32~34.8	7.7~8.3	<0.05	<0.01	<0.05	<0.05	0.3	鹵素燈(1000w)*59組+藍燈(400w)*8組 PAR標準200
活珊瑚缸	23.2~28	85~110	32~35	7.7~8.3	<0.1	<0.3	<0.05	<0.5	0.3	鹵素燈(1000w)*5組+藍燈(400w)*2組 PAR標準230
主珊瑚池	23.2~28	85~110	32~35	7.7~8.3	<0.1	<0.3	<0.05	<0.5	0.3	鹵素燈(1000w)*21組+日光燈(40w*3)*29組
耀鰻	23.2~28	80~110	32~35	7.7~8.3	<0.2	<0.3	<0.05	<1.0	0.3	鹵素燈(400w)*2組+日光燈(40w*2)*2組
鰻鮀	23.2~28	80~110	32~35	7.7~8.3	<0.1	<0.3	<0.05	<0.5	0.3	鹵素燈(400w)*2組+日光燈(40w*2)*2組
鍋爐間	23.2~28	85~110	32~35	7.7~8.3	<0.1	<0.3	<0.05	<0.5	0.3	鹵素燈(400w)*3組+日光燈(40w*2)*3組
船艙室	23.2~28	85~110	32~35	7.7~8.3	<0.1	<0.3	<0.05	<0.5	0.3	鹵素燈(400w)*2組+日光燈(40w*2)*2組
船長室	23.2~28	85~110	32~35	7.7~8.3	<0.1	<0.3	<0.05	<0.5	0.3	鹵素燈(400w)*2組
花園鰻缸	23.2~28	85~110	32~35	7.7~8.3	<0.1	<0.3	<0.05	<0.5	0.3	鹵素燈(1000w)*4組
海獸池	15~17	80~110	30~34	7.2~8.2	<0.3	<5	<0.05	<1.5	0.3	鹵素燈(1000w)*19組 ORP標準550~650 BOD<3ppm TRO<0.5ppm

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	°C	%	ppt	pH	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ntu		
水母	23~28	80~100	30~35	7.6~8.5	<0.1	<0.3	<0.05	<0.5	<0.4	氯池	藍燈(400w*2)*0組+小白燈青光20w*4組
蟹魚	22~30	80~100	30~35	7.6~8.5	<0.1	<0.3	<0.05	<0.5	1		直射燈(400w)*1組
江鯉	25~32	80~100	0~3	6.5~8.5	<0.1	<0.3	<0.05	<1.0	1		藍燈(400w)*1組
鸚鵡螺	15~20	80~100	30~35	7.6~8.5	<0.1	<0.3	<0.05	<0.5	0.3		無
裸臂魚	25~28	80~100	0~3	6.5~8.5	<0.1	<0.3	<0.05	<0.5	0.3		直射燈(400w)*1組
異齒鰓	22~26	80~100	30~35	7.6~8.5	<0.1	<0.3	<0.05	<0.5	0.3		直射燈(400w)*1組+藍燈(400w)*1組*2組
多鰭魚	25~30	80~100	0~3	6.0~8.5	<0.1	<0.3	<0.05	<0.5	0.3		直射燈(400w)*1組
銀魚	25~32	80~100	0~3	6.0~8.5	<0.1	<0.3	<0.05	<1.0	1		直射燈(400w)*2組
紅龍	27~32	80~100	0~3	6.0~7.0	<0.3	<0.1	<0.5	<0.5	0.3		直射燈(400w)*1組
火舌魚	22~27	80~100	0~3	7.0~8.5	<0.1	<0.3	<0.05	<0.5	0.3		直射燈(400w)*1組
大型魚	12~17	80~110	30~35	7.7~8.5	0.1	<0.3	<0.05	<1.0	0.5	對海水魚而言 NH <sub>3</sub> -N>0.1ppm即有致 命風險(且目前 平均實測均< 0.05 ppm)	直射燈(2000w)*21組 PAR標準 50~200 ORP<300
黃鰭鮪	23~28	90~110	32~35	7.7~8.5	<0.1	<0.3	<0.05	<1.0	0.3	鮪魚之需氧量 為一般硬骨魚類之3倍；鮪魚 為抗鹽性魚類(適應低鹽性水 域)	直射燈(1000w)*6組
金鯛	氣溫(-2±1)水 溫(5±1)	80~100	30~35	7.2~8.2	<5	<0.1	<1.5	<1.5	0.3	PS：紅龍、企 鵝、海鸚鵡、 海鷺皆時沿用 原標準，待數 週來後再行檢 討。	彩色燈(1000w)*23組+白光 400w*20組+白光750w*1組 ORP<500
海鸚鵡	氣溫(15±1)水 溫(10±1)	80~100	30~35	7.2~8.2	<0.3	<0.1	<1.5	<1.5	0.3		直射青光(1000w)*4組+白光 400w*6組
海鷺	氣溫(17~23) 水溫(17~23)	80~110	30~35	7.2~8.2	<0.3	<0.1	<1.5	<1.5	0.3		直射白光(1000w)*6組+青光 (1000w)*6組+白光(400w)*8組

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水质检测日报表

地址：名稱檢測器專利

1. 温度：低於20°C或高於28°C，海濱地低於15°C或高於37°C。
  2. 鹽度：海水低於20或高於35ppt，珊瑚礁低於32或高於34ppt。
  3. pH：海水低於7.0或高於8.4，珊瑚礁低於7.8或高於8.2，海濱地低於7.2或高於8.2。
  4. DO (%)：低於50%或高於110%。
  5. NO<sub>x</sub>: 高於0.2ppm，珊瑚礁高於0.05ppm。
  6. PO<sub>4</sub><sup>3-</sup>: 高於0.5ppm，珊瑚礁高於0.05ppm。
  7. SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup>: 高的0.1ppm，珊瑚礁高於0.01ppm。
  8. NO<sub>2</sub>: 高的0.5ppm，珊瑚礁高於0.1ppm。
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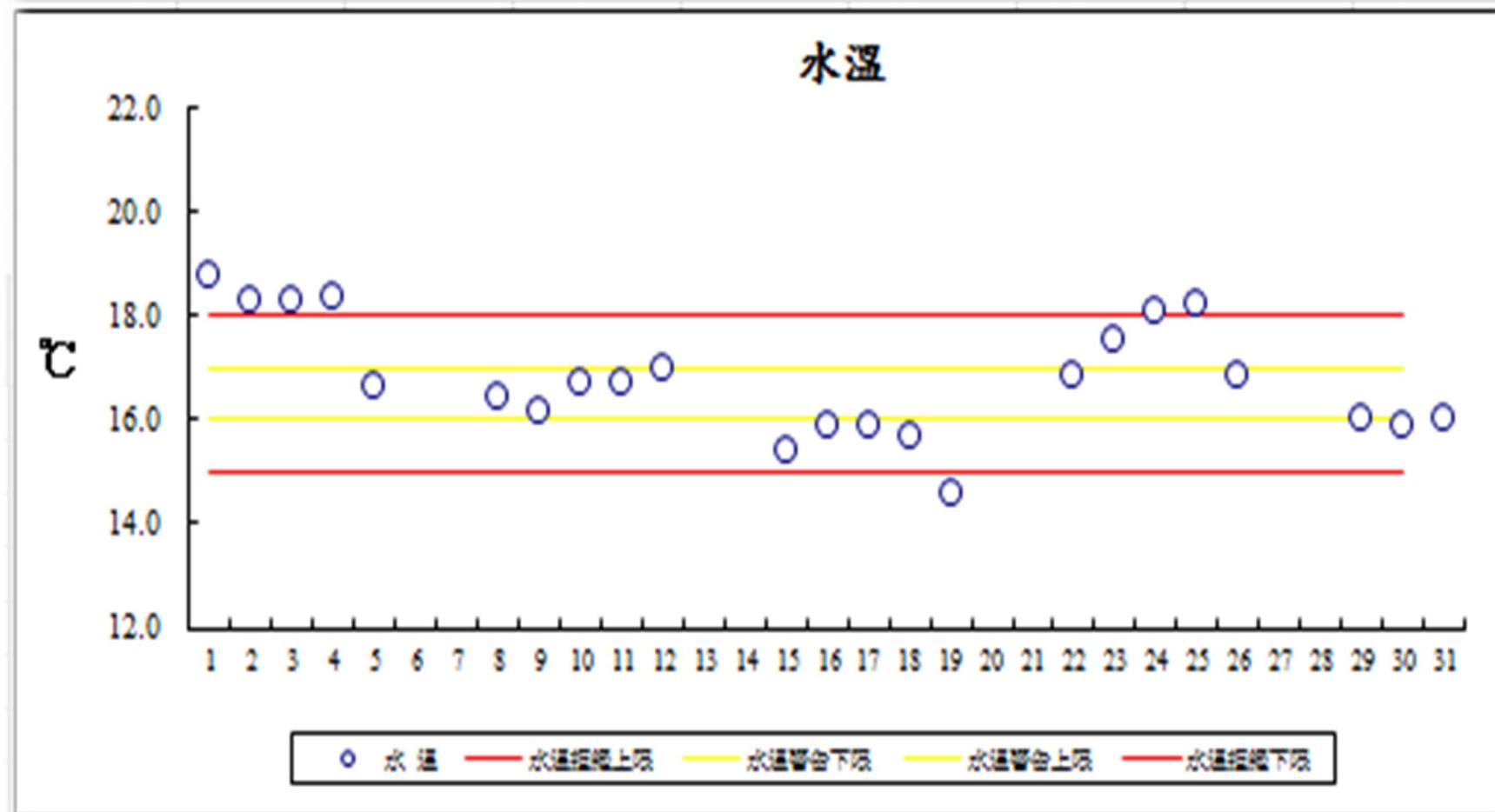
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水質檢測目錄表

備註：各項檢測異常何處

1. 濕度: 低於21°C或高於28°C, 海濱地低於15°C或高於17°C。
  2. 鹽度: 海水低於30或高於35 ppt, 潮濕地低於30或高於34 ppt, 海濱地低於30或高於34 ppt。
  3. pH: 海水低於7.8或高於8.4, 潮濕地低於7.8或高於8.2, 海濱地低於7.8或高於8.2。
  4. DO (O<sub>2</sub>): 低於5 mg/L或高於11 mg/L。
  5. NH<sub>3</sub>-N: 高於0.2 ppm, 潮濕地高於0.15 ppm。
  6. Fe<sup>2+</sup>: 高於0.5 ppm, 潮濕地高於0.05 ppm。
  7. NO<sub>x</sub>-N: 高於0.1 ppm, 潮濕地高於0.01 ppm。
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## Factors correlating with deterioration of giant kelp *Macrocystis pyrifera* (Laminariales, Heterokontophyta) in an aquarium setting

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**Abstract** Survival of the giant kelp, *Macrocystis pyrifera* (Linnaeus) C. Agardh, in its natural habitat is governed by abiotic and biotic factors such as temperature, light, nutrients, current velocity, and predators. Factors affecting the survival of the alga in an aquarium setting, however, have not been investigated. The National Museum of Marine Biology and Aquarium (NMMBA), in subtropical Taiwan, is the only aquarium in the world that displays giant kelp that does not have naturally occurring specimens in nearby waters. Giant kelp displayed in aquaria often deteriorates within a 3-month period, yet the cause of this mortality is unknown. We investigated abiotic and biotic parameters affecting survival of giant kelp in aquaria over a 3-month period. The results indicated that temperature, salinity, pH, light, and nutrient concentrations did not affect giant kelp survival. However, the massive proliferation of epiphytic diatoms on kelp blades (from  $7 \times 10^2$  cells  $\text{cm}^{-2}$  initially to  $3 \times 10^4$  cells  $\text{cm}^{-2}$  after 1 month) was identified as being the most likely candidate affecting survival of giant kelp in an aquarium setting. Potential factors that may stimulate epiphyte proliferation include lack of epiphytic algae control via predation, high nutrient concentrations, a weak current, and a generally stable environment.

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### Introduction

The giant kelp, *Macrocystis pyrifera* (Linnaeus) C. Agardh (Laminariales, Heterokontophyta), is the largest benthic organism in the world. This alga is the most widely distributed kelp taxon (Graham et al. 2007) and exists along the temperate coasts of all continents with the exception of Antarctica (Moe and Silva 1977). The kelp forest ecosystem is diverse and productive, hosting a variety of organisms, including marine mammals, fishes, crabs, sea urchins, mollusks, other algae, and epibionts (Mann 1973; Steneck et al. 2002). Ecologically, this aquatic forest is comparable to the terrestrial tropical rainforest.

Giant kelp forests are exposed to varying environmental gradients of abiotic and biotic factors from the surface to the bottom substrate. Studies have indicated that irradiation, temperature, salinity, sedimentation, nutrient concentration, wave action, and amount of epiphytes can significantly affect kelp growth (Dean and Jacobsen 1984; North et al. 1986; Edwards and Hernández-Campona 2005). In its natural habitat, kelp forests develop on shallow rocky shores with sufficient light penetration (Steneck et al. 2002). As such, the low abundance of kelp in Arctic and sub-Antarctic areas is believed to be a result of light limitation (Henley and Dunton 1997). It has also been shown that temperatures  $<15^\circ\text{C}$  are optimal for survival of giant kelp and that temperatures  $>20^\circ\text{C}$  promoted the degradation of this species (Rothäusler et al. 2009). Yet, *Macrocystis* that occur along the southern coasts of California have their highest photosynthetic rates at temperatures

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## TRANSPORTATION, HUSBANDRY, AND RELEASE OF A WHALE SHARK (*RHINCODON TYPUS*)

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### ABSTRACT

The National Museum of Marine Biology and Aquarium of Taiwan housed a whale shark in a 3.7 million liter indoor oval tank from June 2005 until July 2013, at which point it was released. This study reports the transport of the whale shark into and out of the Museum, its husbandry conditions, feeding regime, growth during captivity, and details on the release of the animal. During the eight years in captivity, the animal grew from 2.3 to 7.8 m in length and from 200 to 3,600 kg in weight when released, with estimated overall growth rates of 0.67 m yr<sup>-1</sup> and 412 kg yr<sup>-1</sup> in length and mass, respectively. The animal beached shortly after release, possibly due to having acclimated to life in captivity. Therefore, detailed behavioral knowledge is needed for future releases of animals that have been maintained in captivity for extended periods.

### I. INTRODUCTION

The display of large animals has been a focal point of modern aquaria worldwide. The Okinawa Churaumi Aquarium (formerly the Okinawa Expo Aquarium) first exhibited whale sharks (*Rhincodon typus*) to visitors in 1982, and other aquaria followed suit, including the Osaka Aquarium Kaiyukan, Taiwan's National Museum of Marine Biology and Aquarium (NMMBA), and the Georgia Aquarium (USA), among others. An impressive school of giant manta rays (*Manta birostris*)

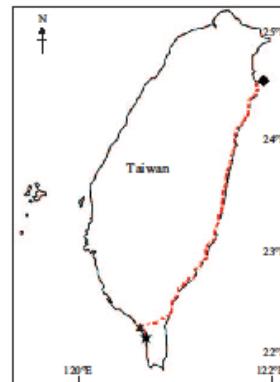


Fig. 1. Transportation of the whale shark from northeastern to southwestern Taiwan by truck (dashed line, representing a 380-km distance). ◆: Set-net location. ★: National Museum of Marine Biology and Aquarium. ▲: Release location.

was displayed in the Okinawa Churaumi Aquarium in November 2002, followed by the Oceanário de Lisboa in Portugal. Great white sharks (*Carcharodon carcharias*) were even put on exhibit in the Monterey Bay Aquarium (USA) in 2004. The largest bony fish, the ocean sunfish (*Mola Mola*), is currently displayed in aquaria such as the Oceanário de Lisboa and the North Sea Oceanarium in Denmark. Transportation of these animals from where they were caught to the aquaria at which they were housed and reared/exhibited often requires careful planning and special equipment and techniques (Uchida, 1982; Correia, 2001; Correia et al., 2008; Correia et al., 2011; Rodrigues et al., 2013) because some of these animals commonly perish during transportation or shortly thereafter (Smith et al., 2004).

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*Suspended solids and ammonium in discharge derived from anthropogenic activities are two main factors causing drop in coral coverage*

### Abstract

Before 2001, the ecological protection area in the Kenting National Park (KTPN), southern Taiwan, was poorly described. In this study, a set of four-year data (2001–2004) of seawater qualities at 19 sampling sites around the Nanwan Bay in the KTPN was used to explore anthropogenic impacts to ecological environment, especially coral reefs. The parameters of water quality were analyzed immediately after collection. The results showed that higher values of nutrients and suspended solids were attributed to the higher run-off around Nanwan Bay. The fluxes of nutrients and suspended solids were consistently correlated to rainfall. Hence, equations were developed to calculate nutrient fluxes and suspended solids by using only rainfall data. Our results show that suspended solids and ammonia were the dominant factors leading to the drop in coral coverage. In summary, the water quality in the intertidal zone of Nanwan Bay has been degraded and required greater attention.

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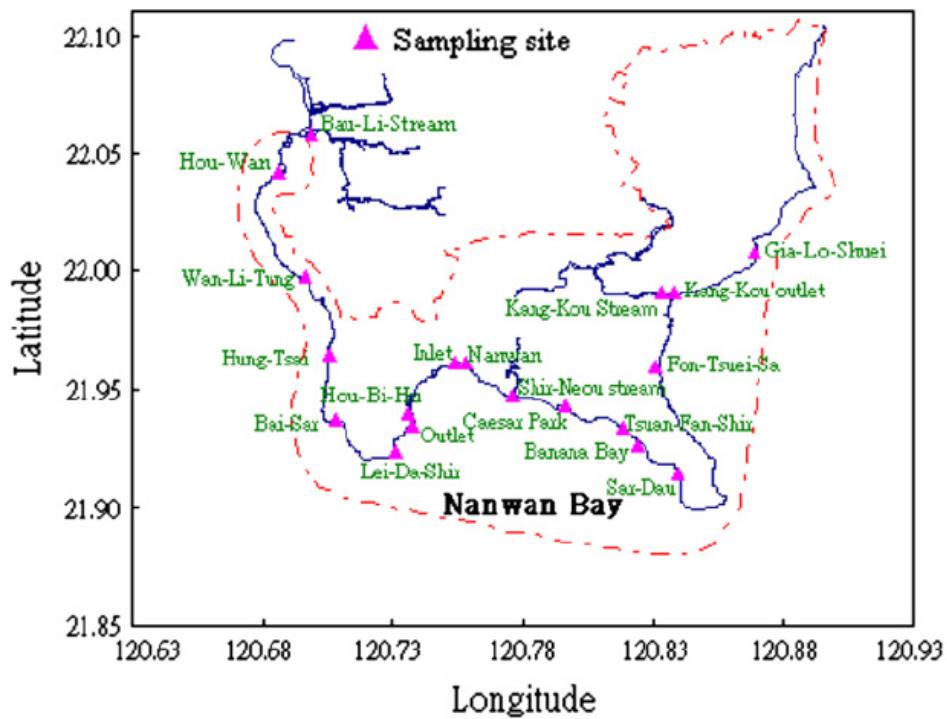


Fig. 1. Locations of water quality sampling sites along the Nanwan Bay.  
Dotted line indicates the boundary of the Kenting National Park.

Table 2

Correlation coefficients ( $R$ ) between parameters of water quality and coral coverage rate

Correlation coefficient ( $R$ )	Coral coverage	Temp.	Salinity	pH	Dissolved oxygen	$BOD_5$	Ammonium	Phosphate	Nitrite	Nitrate	Silicate	Chlorophyll- $a$	Suspended solids
Coral coverage	1.0000												
Temp.	0.0731	1.0000											
Salinity	0.3407	0.2350	1.0000										
pH	0.1190	0.3889	0.3397	1.0000									
Dissolved oxygen	0.2312	0.1816	0.4630	0.8163**	1.0000								
$BOD_5$	0.3988	0.1363	0.9442**	0.1069	0.3015	1.0000							
Ammonium	0.5648*	0.2262	0.6064*	0.0114	0.1589	0.6669**	1.0000						
Phosphate	0.3519	0.2233	0.9893**	0.3114	0.4351	0.9424**	0.6301**	1.0000					
Nitrite	0.3224	0.2482	0.9947**	0.3452	0.4737	0.9408**	0.6159*	0.9902**	1.0000				
Nitrate	0.2170	0.1902	0.9783**	0.3634	0.4500	0.9097**	0.5437*	0.9612**	0.9775**	1.0000			
Silicate	0.3374	0.2394	0.9996**	0.3469	0.4669	0.9401**	0.6055*	0.9914**	0.9952**	0.9785**	1.0000		
Chlorophyll-a	0.2982	0.2444	0.9939**	0.3590	0.4656	0.9306**	0.6103*	0.9922**	0.9945**	0.9717**	0.9956**	1.0000	
Suspended solids	0.5072*	0.0245	0.4735	0.3017	0.1026	0.6283**	0.4117	0.4359	0.4233	0.3586	0.4558	0.4157	1.0000

\*: Significant at  $p < 0.05$ . \*\*: Significant at  $p < 0.01$ .

# The relationship between parameters of water quality and coral coverage rate

- There was significant correlation between salinity and nutrient concentrations in the water. This implies that **the sources of nutrients were from streams around Nanwan Bay**.
- There was significant correlation between dissolved oxygen and pH in the water. This indicates that the effects of **photosynthesis and respiration on pH** by organism (such as phytoplankton and algae) in the water.
- A relatively consistent correlation was found between nutrient and ammonia concentrations in the water and BOD5. On the other hand, there was also significant correlation between nutrient and ammonia concentrations in the water and chlorophyll-a contents. As we mentioned before, **an increase of domestic wastewaters** which carry excessive nutrients will flow into Nanwan Bay without being treated leading to increases in chlorophyll-a content and BOD5.
- Effects of water quality (such as sediments, thermal stress and nutrients) on coral reef ecosystem have been widely studied. Our results show that **suspended solids** and **ammonia** were the dominant factors leading to the drop in coral coverage.

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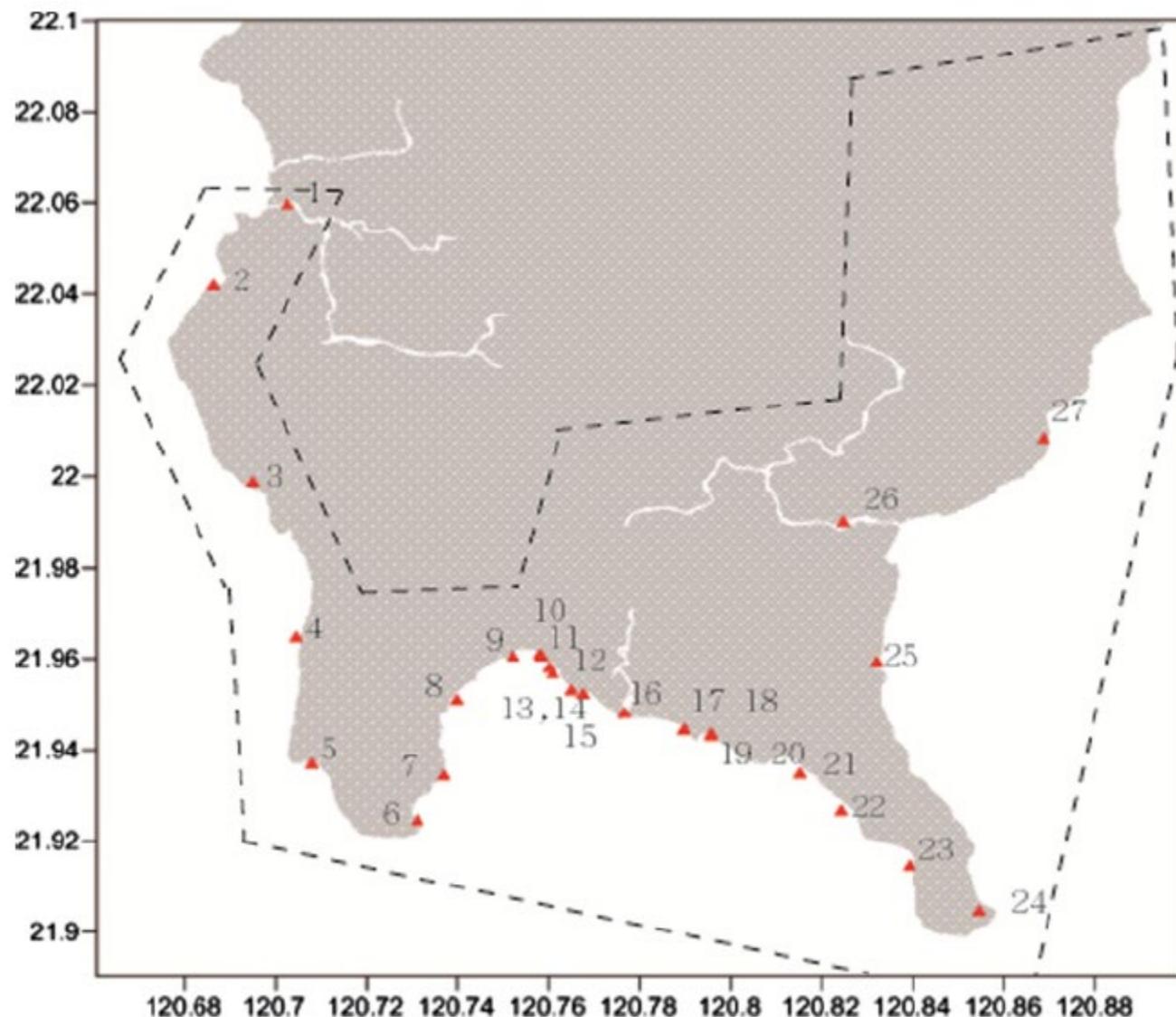
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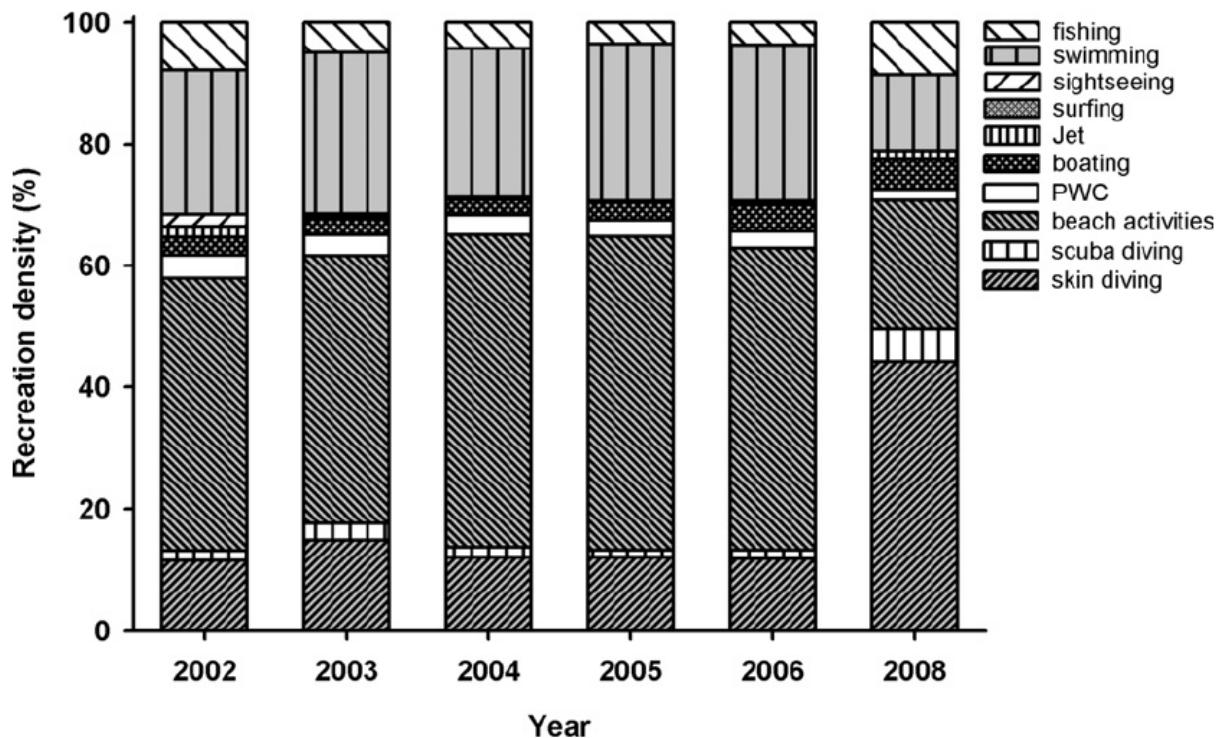
### ABSTRACT

In July 2001, the National Museum of Marine Biology and Aquarium, co-sponsored by the Kenting National Park Headquarters and Taiwan's National Science Council, launched a Long-Term Ecological Research (LTER) program to monitor anthropogenic impacts on the ecosystems of southern Taiwan, specifically the coral reefs of Kenting National Park (KNP), which are facing an increasing amount of anthropogenic pressure. We found that the seawater of the reef flats along Nanwan Bay, Taiwan's southernmost embayment, was polluted by sewage discharge at certain monitoring stations. Furthermore, the consequently higher nutrient and suspended sediment levels had led to algal blooms and sediment smothering of shallow water corals at some sampling sites. Finally, our results show that, in addition to this influx of anthropogenically-derived sewage, increasing tourist numbers are correlated with decreasing shallow water coral cover, highlighting the urgency of a more proactive management plan for KNP's coral reefs.

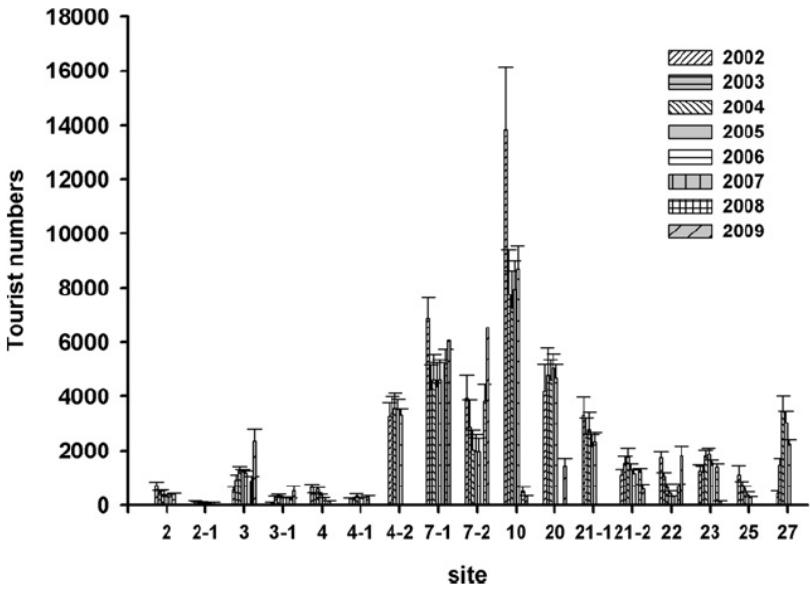
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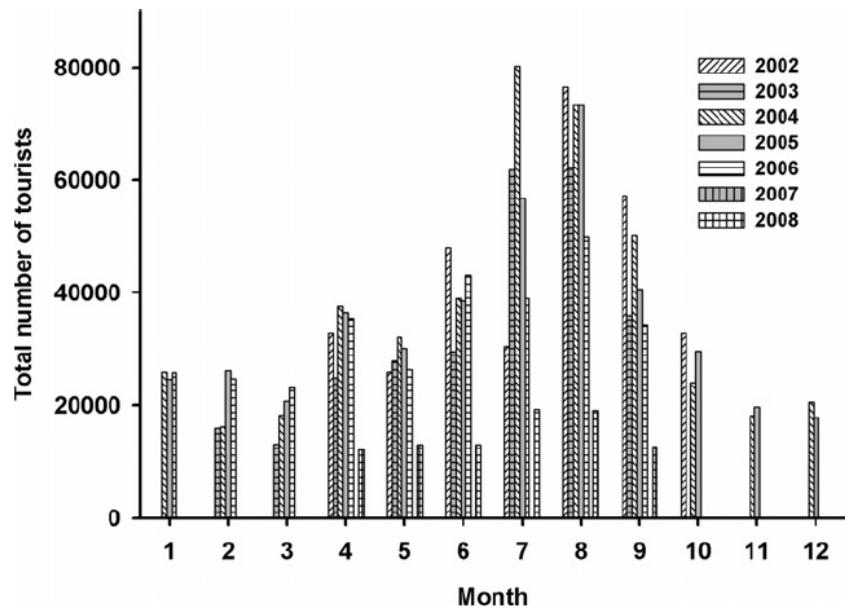
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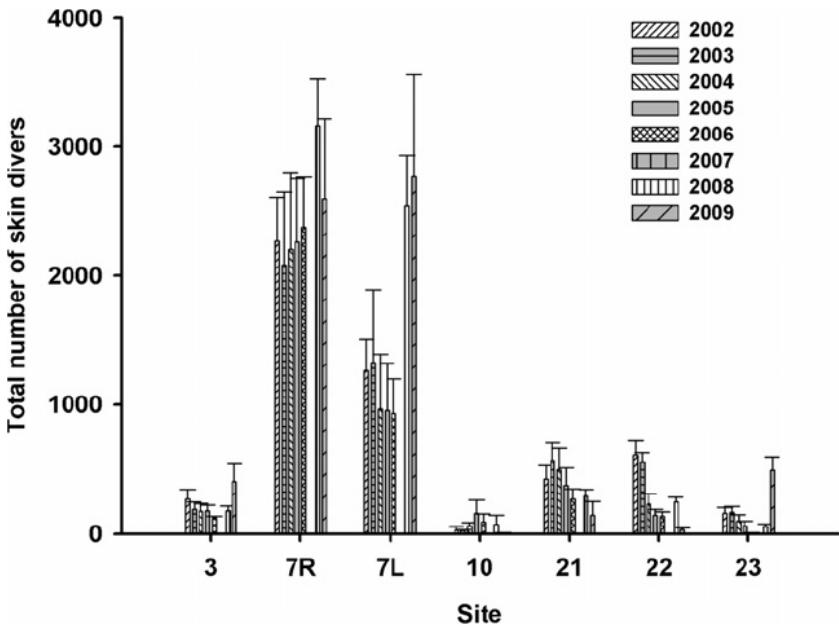
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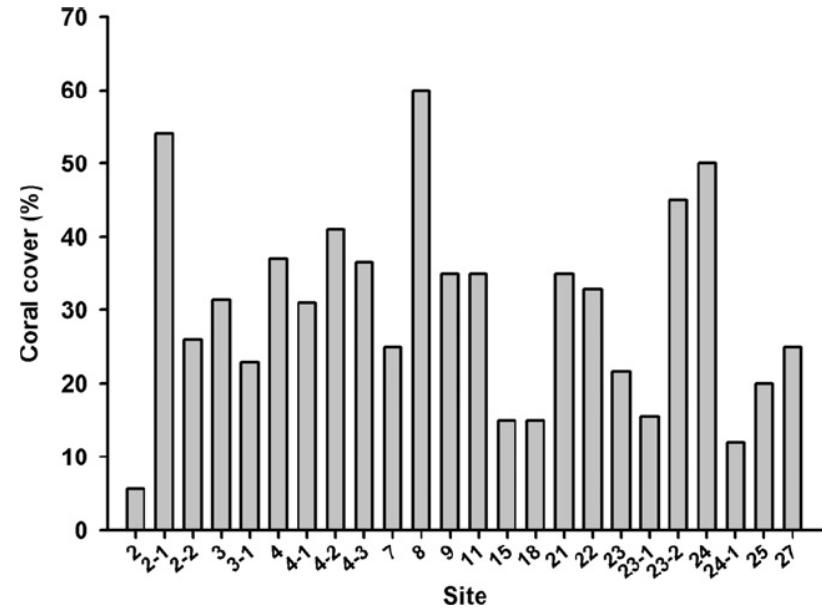
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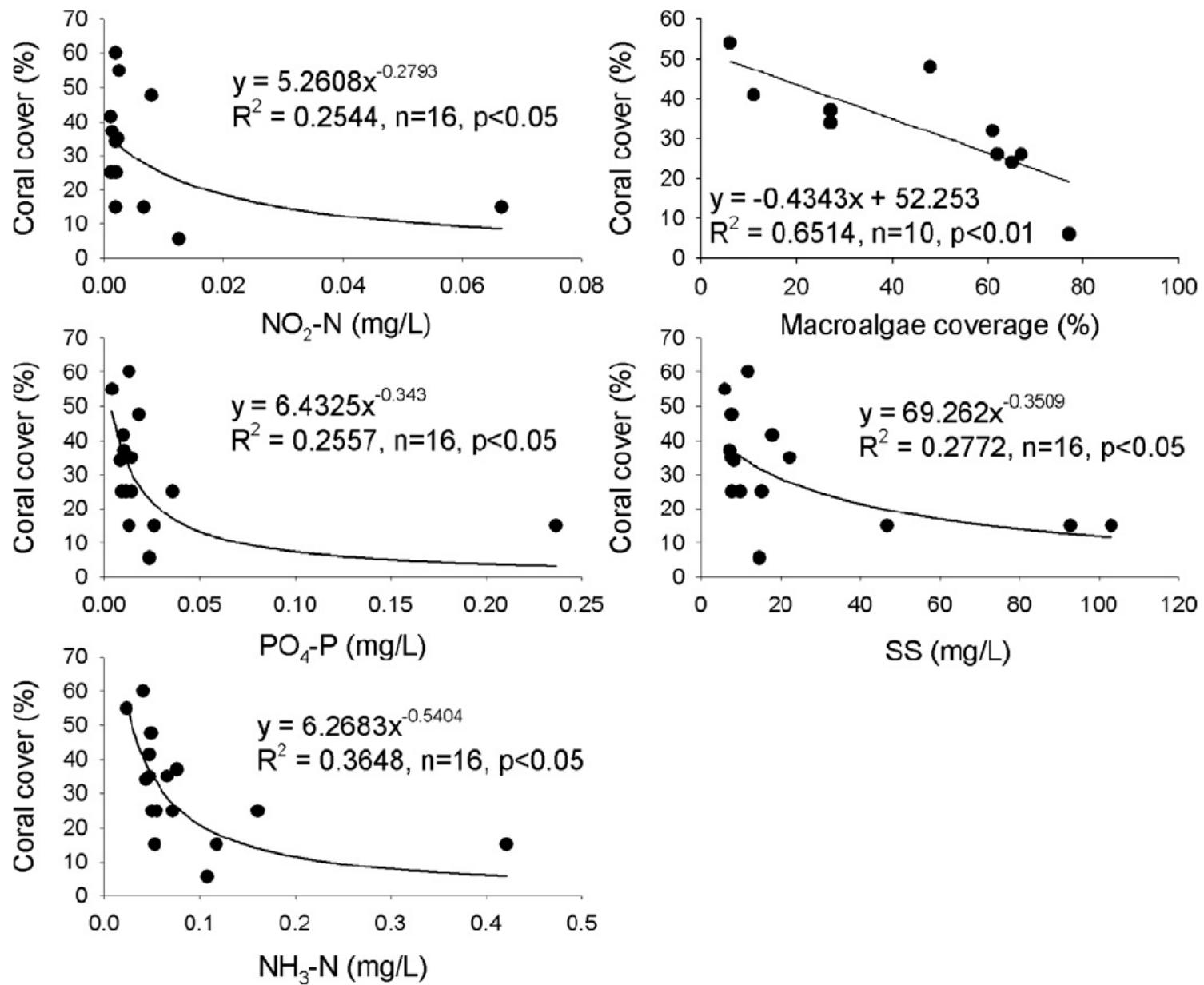
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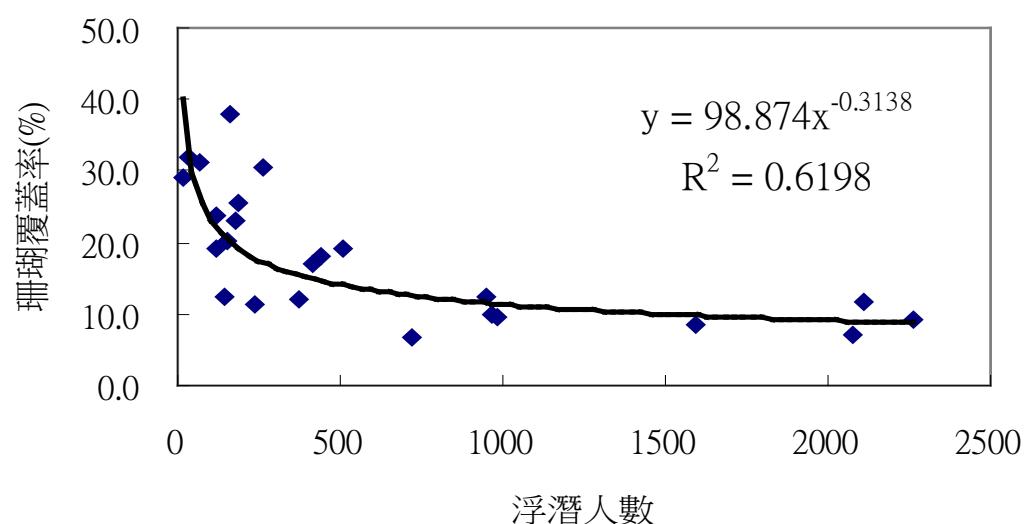
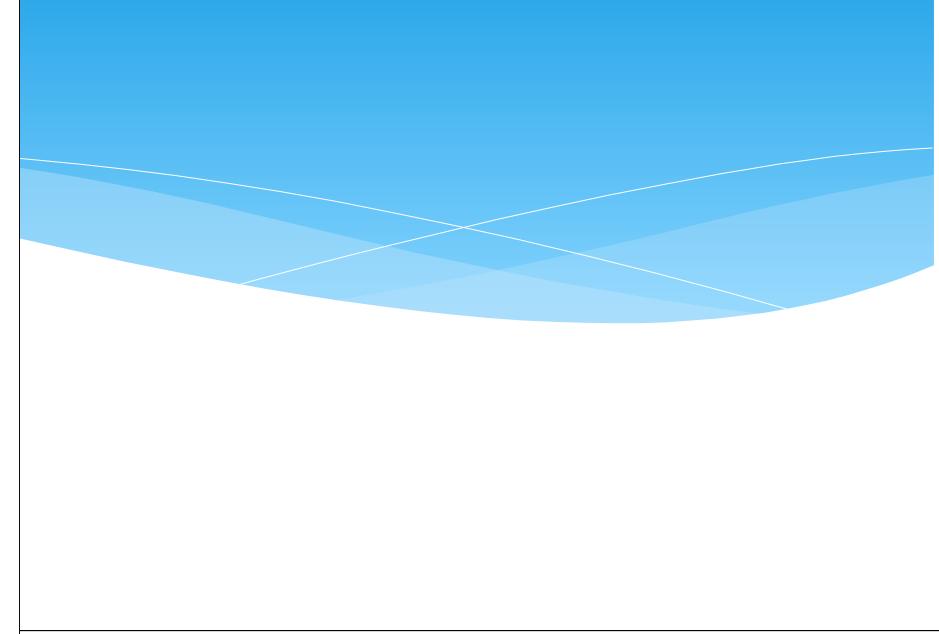
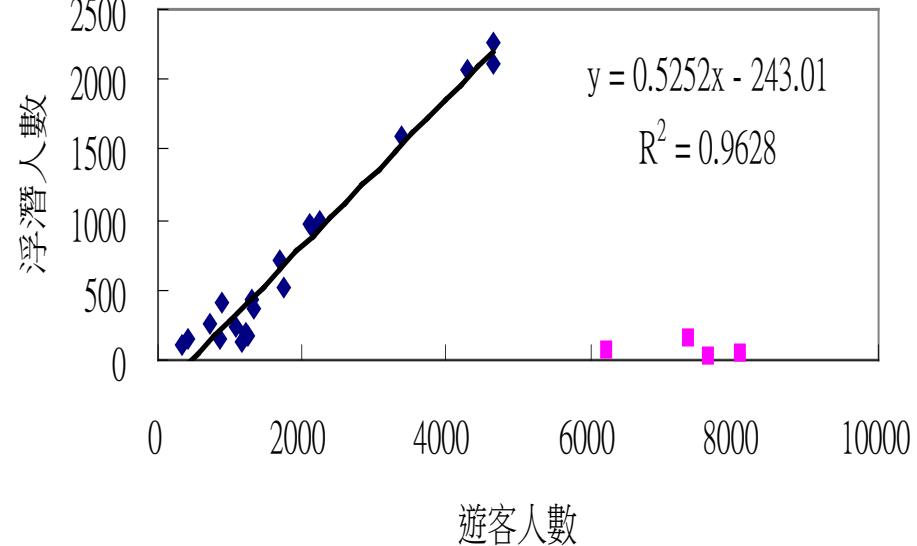


**Fig. 6.** Coral cover of reef flats at different stations along the coast of Kenting National Park.



**Fig. 7.** The correlations between levels of nitrite, phosphate, ammonia, macroalgal cover, and suspended solids and coral cover.

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# The Key Impact on Water Quality on Coral Reefs in Kenting National Park

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**Abstract:** Southern Taiwan's Kenting National Park is a popular retreating place for many domestic and international tourists, with increasing tourist numbers potentially over-burdening the coastal ecosystems. To better understand human impacts, a long-term ecological research program was initiated in 2001 to track water quality at 14 coral reef-abutting sites throughout the park since then. Extracting the data from this 20-year survey, we found that increasing in the nutrient levels during the summer rainy season, together with the drops in salinity led by freshwater inputs (land- & rainfall-derived), was the main impact to coral reef ecosystem of Kenting. Cluster analysis further confirmed the nutrient influx was mainly attributed to the local discharge outlets with dense of villages and hotels at upstream. Therefore, more efforts are needed to input to control tourist number, treat waste water discharge and strengthen land protection facilities.

**Keywords:** anthropogenic impacts; coral reefs; rainfall; nutrients; seawater quality



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## 1. Introduction

Kenting National Park (KNP) is located at the southernmost tip of Taiwan, and the plethora of beaches and vibrant coral reefs are a draw for myriad domestic and international tourists. Unfortunately, the pre-Covid tourism boom (3 million in 2001 to 8 million in 2018) has led to increasing coastal development, sewage and other pollutant discharge, and eutrophication [1–3]; high nitrogen and suspended solid (SS) levels have even been linked to coral reef decline in the area [3], with more direct impacts of tourists (e.g., physical damage to coral colonies) having also been documented [4]. The SS, high nutrient loads, and pathogenic bacteria are presumably land-based, entering the ocean via channels or creeks during the May to September rainy season; such runoff can also include fertilizers and pesticides used in local agriculture [4]. Given these threats, KNP initiated a long-term ecological research (LTER) program in 2001, with data collected until 2019. There has been a focus on nearshore environments abutting coral reef ecosystems (N = 19 sites). Herein we sought to use multivariate statistical approaches, namely principal components analysis (PCA) and cluster analysis (CA), to uncover relationships among seawater quality parameters across the LTER study sites, *sensu* [5–11]. The overarching goal was to use this approach to better understand spatio-temporal variation in seawater quality in this ecologically rich bio-region.

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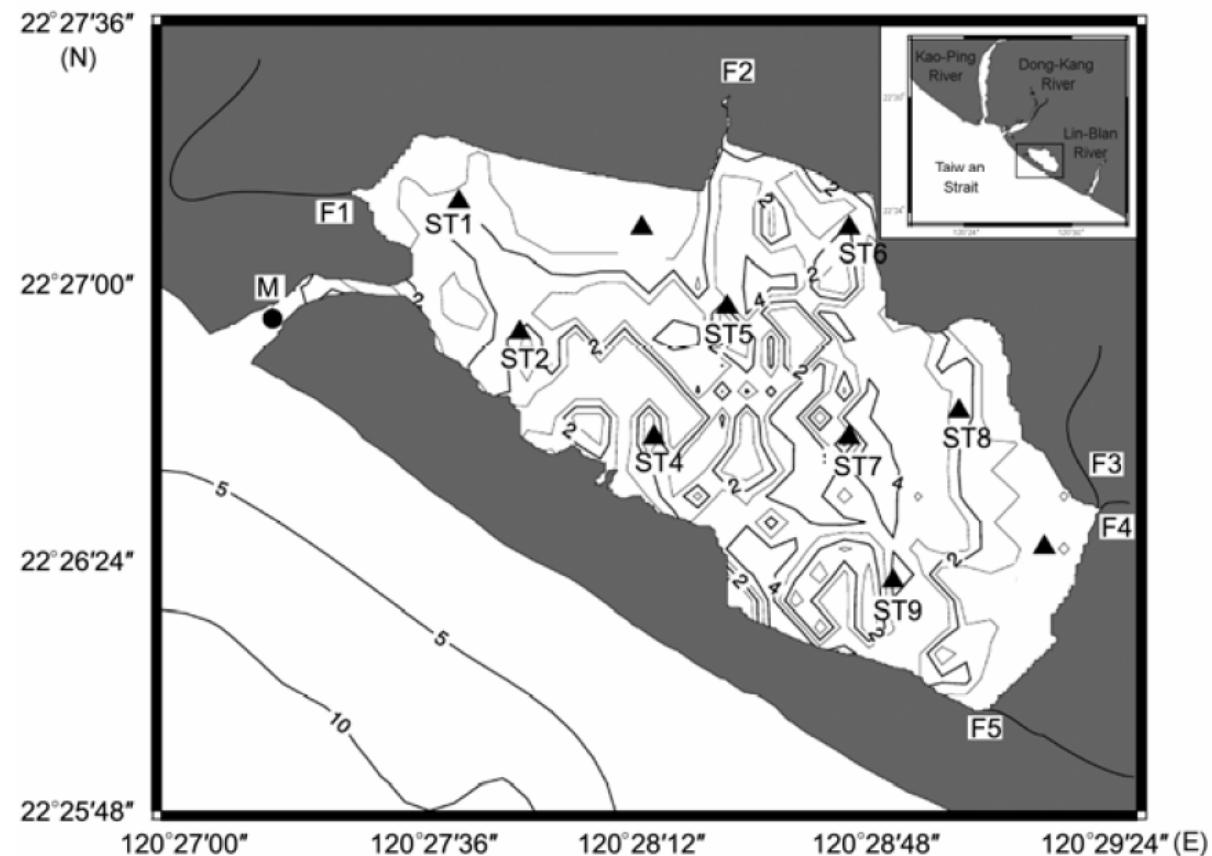
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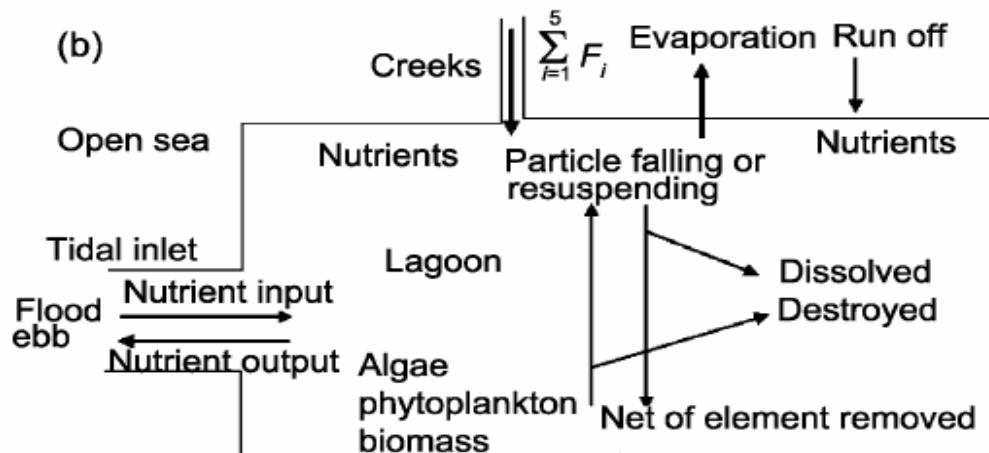
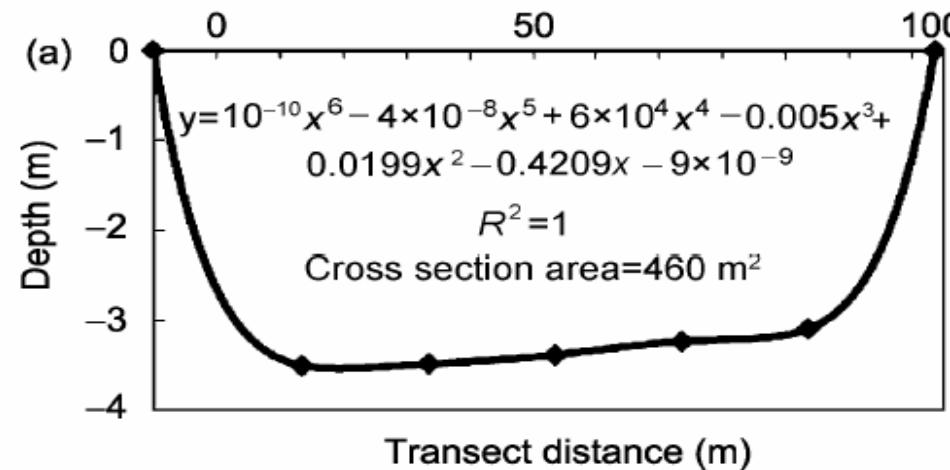
To estimate nutrient budgets, water samples were collected at 16 sites in Tapong lagoon from January 2004 through April 2005 and the parameters of water quality were analyzed immediately after collection. These data were used to build a box model for calculating nutrient budgets of the lagoon. We estimated the net amount of nutrient fluxes into (coming from creeks) and out (from tidal inlet) of the lagoon and calculated the total amount of nutrient that deposits into the sediment in a full tidal cycle. During January and April, nutrients (including nitrate, nitrite and ammonia) accumulated in the lagoon, but phosphate, total phosphate and suspended solids were flushed out of the lagoon from the tidal inlet. In addition, a huge amount of suspended solids (13–15 tons per tidal cycle) flew from the lagoon to the adjacent ocean through the inlet-outlet channel.

**box model, nutrient budget, coastal lagoon, eutrophication**



**Figure 1** The sampling sites and topography of Tapong Bay and its vicinity, with depth contours in meters. Top right insert is the large-scale setting.

## Estimating nutrient budgets with box model



**Figure 5** The average cross-section area of tidal inlet at site M (a), and the conceptual flow chart of mass balance for the box-model (b).

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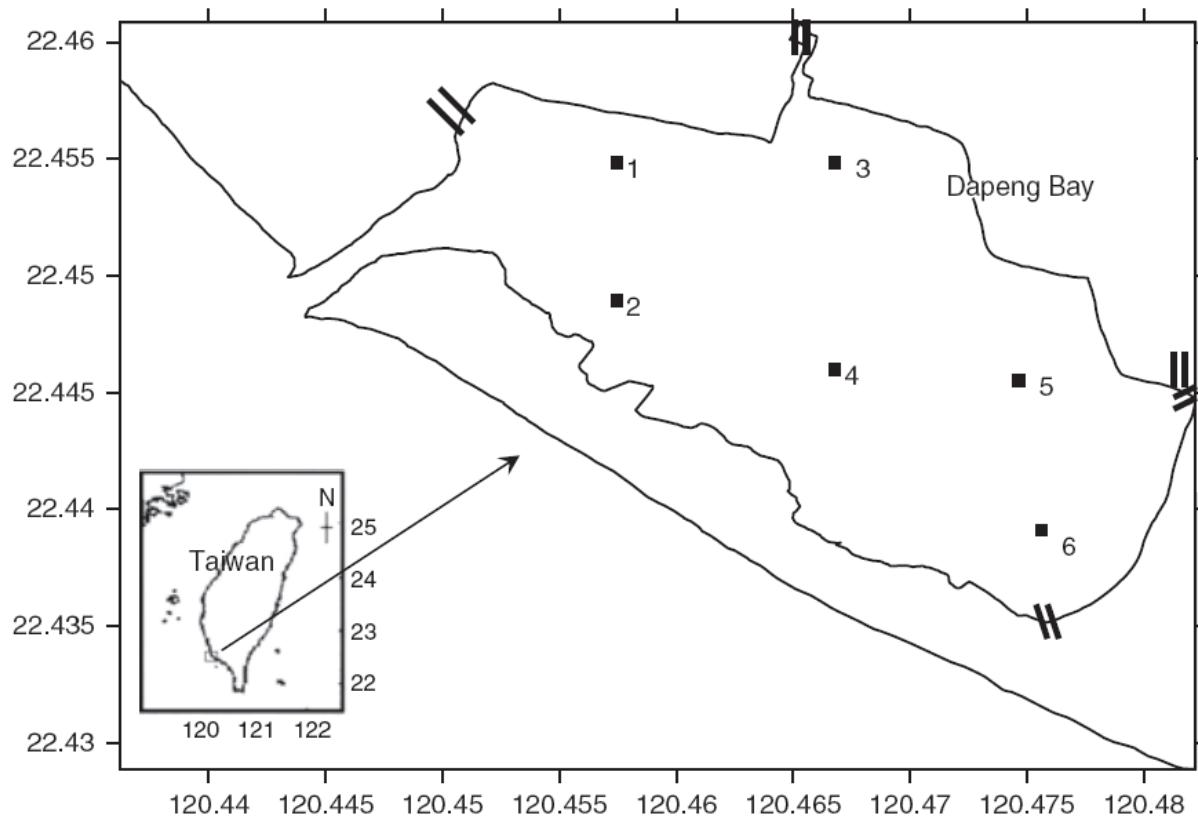
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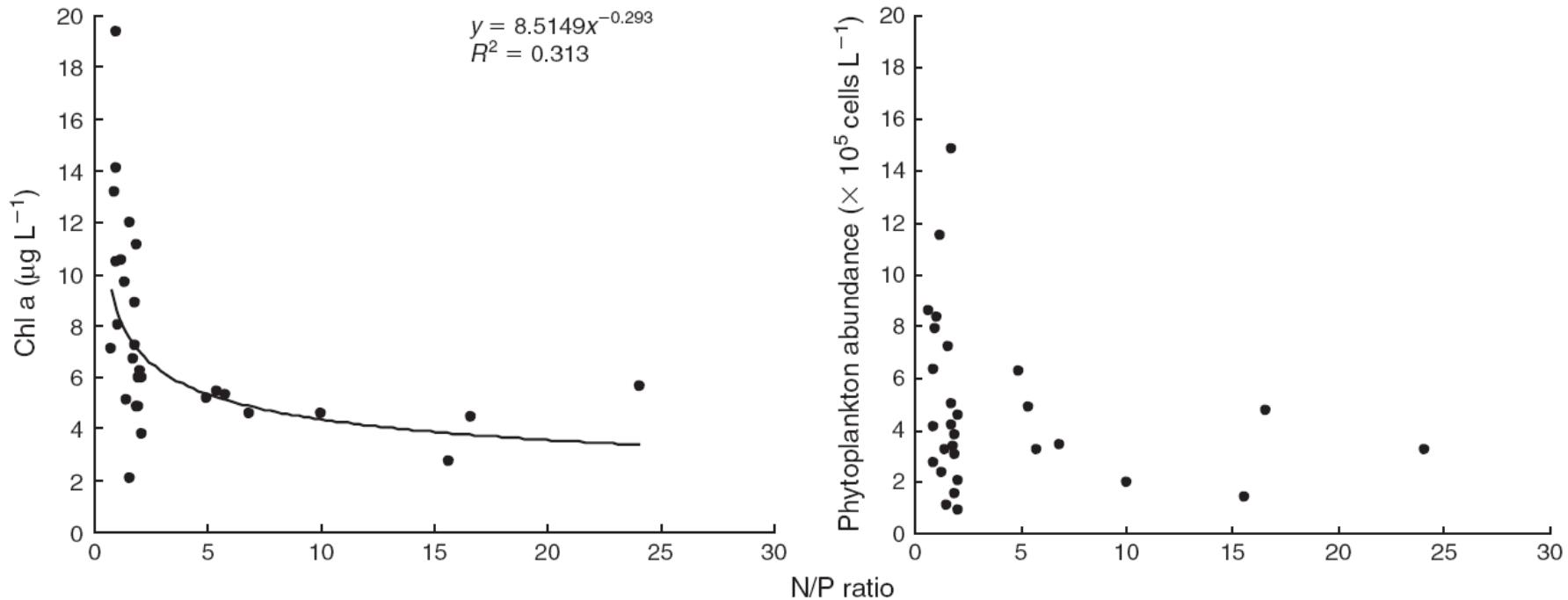
**Abstract.** Algal bloom is a major concern worldwide. In this study, we characterised the physical and biochemical parameters during an algal bloom event in a coastal lagoon in an attempt to predict local blooms in the future. Results showed that the highest concentrations of dissolved inorganic phosphorus (DIP), chlorophyll a (chl a) and phytoplankton abundance were found in the inner area, whereas the highest dissolved inorganic nitrogen (DIN) concentration occurred near the inlet-outlet channel. Chl a was correlated with DIP, and there was a significant exponential relationship between chl a and the nitrogen to phosphorus ratio (N/P ratio) across all sampling stations and times. A higher proportion of the variation in chl a was explained by the N/P ratio than either DIP or DIN. We found that a N/P ratio <2.38 will likely trigger an algal bloom ( $\text{chl a} \geq 10 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$ ) in the lagoon. Our results suggest that the N/P ratio could be used as an expedient and reliable measure of the potential eutrophic status of coastal lagoons.

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**Fig. 1.** Location of sampling stations within Dapeng Bay, located in south-western Taiwan. Drainage creeks are indicated by bold '=' signs.



**Fig. 7.** Relationships between both chl a concentration and phytoplankton abundance and N/P ratio from 6 to 10 September 2005 in Dapeng Bay.

計算式:

$$\begin{aligned} \because Y &= aX^{-b} \geq 10 \\ \therefore \log(aX^{-b}) &> 1 \\ \log(a) - b \cdot \log(X) &> 1 \\ \log(a) - 1 &> b \cdot \log(X) \\ (\log(a/10))/b &> \log X \\ X &< 10^{(\log(a/10))/b} \end{aligned}$$

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**Abstract:** A model experiment monitoring the fate of total residue oxidant (TRO) in water at a constant temperature and salinity indicated that it decayed exponentially with time, and with TRO decaying faster in seawater than in distilled water. The reduction of TRO by temperature ( $^{\circ}\text{K}$ ) was found to fit a curvilinear relationship in distilled water ( $r^2 = 0.997$ ) and a linear relationship in seawater ( $r^2 = 0.996$ ). Based on the decay rate, flow rate, and the length of cooling water flowing through at a given temperature, the TRO level in the cooling water of a power plant could be estimated using the equation developed in this study. This predictive model would provide a benchmark for power plant operators to adjust the addition of chlorine to levels necessary to control bio-fouling of cooling water intake pipelines, but without irritating ambient marine organisms.

**Keywords:** anti-fouling agent; total residual oxidant; power plant; cooling water.

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# 不同溫度下海水中殘餘氧化劑衰退速算程式

Temp. (°C)	原始加氯量(mg/L)	流速(m/sec)	距離(m)	經過時間(hr)	衰退後含氯量(mg/L)
25(°C)	1	1	500	0.14	0.951
	1	1	1000	0.28	0.905
	1	1	2000	0.56	0.819
	1	1	4000	1.11	0.671
30(°C)	1	1	500	0.14	0.943
	1	1	1000	0.28	0.888
	1	1	2000	0.56	0.789
	1	1	4000	1.11	0.623
40(°C)	1	1	500	0.14	0.923
	1	1	1000	0.28	0.852
	1	1	2000	0.56	0.726
	1	1	4000	1.11	0.527

note:1. 當水溫為25(°C)時，衰退後含氯量(mg/L)=原始加氯量(mg/L)\*exp(-0.3595\*衰退時間(小時))

當水溫為30(°C)時，衰退後含氯量(mg/L)=原始加氯量(mg/L)\*exp(-0.4262\*衰退時間(小時))

當水溫為40(°C)時，衰退後含氯量(mg/L)=原始加氯量(mg/L)\*exp(-0.5757\*衰退時間(小時))

2. 計算時依不同溫度之公式，將原始加氯量(mg/L)，流速(m/sec)及距離(m)等參數輸入即可獲得衰退後含氯量(mg/L)

**Table 2.** Examination of relative error of the model developed in this study. The predicted values of chlorine residue concentration were obtained from the equation  $R = [P \times e^{(Q \times t)}]/0.3497$ . The real chlorine residue concentration at the end of outlet of discharging pipeline was determined by standard water sampling and iodine colorimetry as described in Experimental.

Power plant	Date	Chlorine residue conc. (mg/L)		Relative error (%)
		Predicted value	Real determination	
Second Nuclear Power Plant	Mar	0.298	0.240	21.4
	May	0.197	0.160	21.0
	Aug	0.086	0.062	32.0
Third Nuclear Power Plant	Mar	0.093	0.088	5.3
	May	0.081	0.070	14.7
	Aug	0.048	0.041	15.6
Pong-Hu Chienshan Power Plant	Mar	0.140	0.133	4.8
	May	0.219	0.235	7.0
	Aug	0.069	0.046	40.2

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### **Abstract**

The purpose of this study was to use total residual oxidants (TRO) as an indicator for determining the optimal ozone dosage needed to control water quality and thereby enhance survival of cultivated aquatic organisms. When the TRO concentration was maintained at 0.16 mg/l for two hours, the total bacteria plate count dropped from  $7.7 \times 10^3$  CFU/ml in the untreated sea water to less than 10 CFU/ml in the ozone-treated sea water. The TRO concentration in the ozone-treated water was well below the 96-h LC<sub>50</sub> for hybrid tilapia (*Oreochromis mossambicus* x *O. niloticus*) and whiteleg shrimp (*Litopenaeus vannamei*) determined in this study. Hence, adjustment of the ozone concentration in aquacultural sea water is a viable option that simultaneously kills the majority of harmful bacteria in the water and enhances survival of cultivated aquatic organisms.

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### Abstract

The present study was undertaken to evaluate the toxicity of tributyltin (TBT) on oysters (*Crassostrea gigas*) and bioaccumulation of TBT and triphenyltin (TPhT) on oysters and rock shells (*Thais clavigera*) from mariculture areas of Taiwan. When treated with concentrations of 0.08, 0.40, 2.00, 10.00 and 50.00 µg TBT/L, the 48-, 72-, 96- and 120-h LC50s of oysters were 44.6, 18.4, 17.9 and 14.3 µg TBT/L, respectively. In the bioaccumulation experiments, oysters and rock shells were exposed to various concentrations of organotins, i.e. A: control, B: 0.40 µg TBT/L, C: 0.40 µg TPhT/L, and D: 0.20 µg TBT/L + 0.20 µg TPhT/L. In general, TPhT was faster accumulated than TBT in both oysters and rock shells and oysters had a higher elimination capability than rock shells. Additionally, greater bioaccumulation and elimination rates had been observed in female oysters than males. To rock shells, the bioaccumulation rate of organotins in imposex females was greater than males and females.

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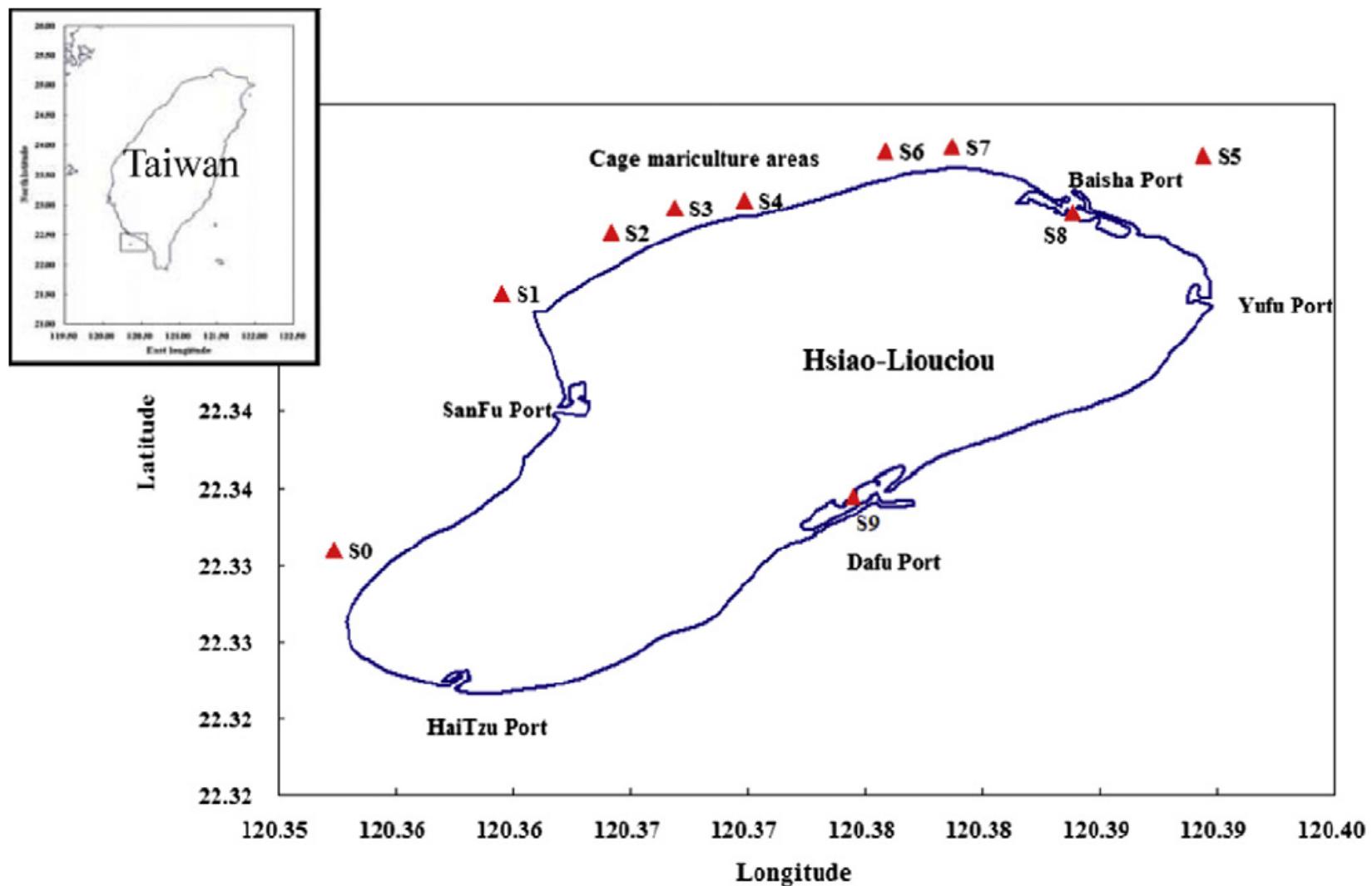
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### ABSTRACT

The present study was undertaken to evaluate the distribution and accumulation of tributyltin (TBT) and triphenyltin (TPhT) in seawater, sediments and selected organisms from a cage mariculture area in southern Taiwan, Hsiao Liouchiou Island. Our results show that ΣOTs were found in concentrations as high as 196 ng/L in seawater collected from the sites in Pai-Sa harbor, and up to 1040 ng/g dry wt. in sediments dredged from sites within Da-Fu harbor. Also, ΣOTs concentrations of 859 ng/g dry wt. were observed in the liver of cobia (*Rachycentron canadum*) from mariculture cages. As most published studies have focused on the acute toxicity and bioaccumulation of organotins in mussels, the effects of organotins on cobia and other marine fauna are still poorly understood. This study highlights the significance of ΣBTs accumulation in cobia, as well as in the sediments and seawater surrounding their culture facilities.

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**Fig. 1.** Locations of sampling sites along the coast of Hsiao Liouciou Island.

**Table 1**

Concentrations (ng-Sn/g) of organotin species in seawater collected along the coast of Hsiao Liouciou Island.

Station No.	MBT	DBT	TBT	$\Sigma$ BTs	MPT	DPT	TPT	$\Sigma$ PhTs	$\Sigma$ OTs
0	12.9 ± 1.12	28.4 ± 2.53	21.6 ± 2.19	62.9	nd	26.1 ± 2.09	15.3 ± 1.43	41.4	104
1	11.6 ± 0.97	18.5 ± 0.91	22.3 ± 2.21	52.4	nd	20.8 ± 1.49	nd	20.8	73.2
2	12.5 ± 1.64	14.0 ± 1.35	17.7 ± 0.88	44.2	nd	15.7 ± 1.01	nd	15.7	59.9
3	17.0 ± 1.16	12.3 ± 0.49	15.0 ± 0.50	44.3	nd	9.16 ± 0.52	nd	9.16	53.5
4	11.8 ± 1.13	15.7 ± 1.13	28.8 ± 3.67	56.3	nd	7.70 ± 0.39	12.7 ± 0.99	20.4	76.7
5	11.6 ± 0.95	26.6 ± 1.39	6.88 ± 0.52	45.1	nd	7.97 ± 0.68	nd	7.97	53.1
6	4.20 ± 0.20	15.5 ± 1.78	14.5 ± 1.30	34.2	nd	9.58 ± 0.53	nd	9.58	43.8
7	13.4 ± 1.53	21.5 ± 2.15	10.5 ± 1.96	45.4	nd	9.97 ± 0.76	nd	9.97	55.4
8	24.1 ± 1.51	54.2 ± 3.75	112 ± 9.77	190	nd	6.07 ± 0.36	nd	6.07	196
9	19.4 ± 1.20	63.8 ± 3.99	71.4 ± 5.43	155	nd	5.55 ± 0.27	nd	5.55	160

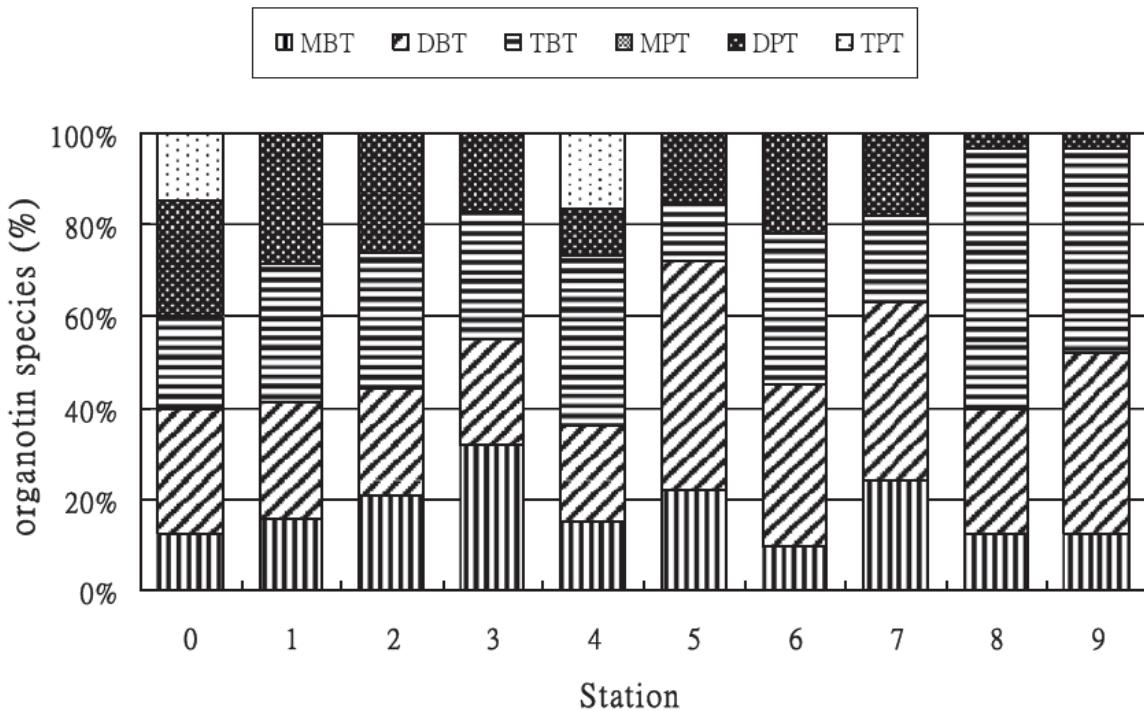
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**Table 2**

Concentrations (ng-Sn/g) of organotin species in sediments collected along the coast of Hsiao Liouciou Island.

Station No.	MBT	DBT	TBT	$\Sigma$ BTs	MPT	DPT	TPT	$\Sigma$ PhTs	$\Sigma$ OTs
0	15.9 ± 1.90	4.68 ± 0.67	9.69 ± 0.44	30.3	nd	nd	nd	nd	30.3
1	20.4 ± 1.38	2.83 ± 1.00	5.65 ± 0.23	28.9	nd	nd	nd	nd	28.9
2	25.8 ± 1.88	3.22 ± 0.21	4.34 ± 0.13	33.4	nd	nd	nd	nd	33.4
3	36.3 ± 4.02	2.56 ± 0.12	5.33 ± 0.37	44.2	nd	nd	nd	nd	44.2
4	15.9 ± 0.96	2.44 ± 0.14	3.96 ± 0.84	22.3	nd	nd	nd	nd	22.3
5	30.0 ± 1.01	2.64 ± 0.11	4.22 ± 0.11	36.9	nd	nd	nd	nd	36.9
6	14.6 ± 0.87	2.90 ± 0.12	4.05 ± 0.14	21.6	nd	nd	nd	nd	21.6
7	13.3 ± 1.44	3.10 ± 0.66	4.02 ± 0.73	20.4	nd	nd	nd	nd	20.4
8	177 ± 19.2	151 ± 9.77	567 ± 19.6	895	nd	nd	nd	nd	895
9	56.4 ± 8.90	217 ± 21.1	765 ± 89.2	1038	nd	nd	nd	nd	1038

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**Fig. 2.** Percentages of six organotin species (TBT, DBT, MBT, TPhT, DPhT and MPhT) in seawater along the coast of Hsiao Liouciou Island.

**Table 3**

Concentrations (ng-Sn/g) of organotin species in two barnacle species collected at cage mariculture areas along the coast of Hsiao Liouciou Island.

Species	MBT	DBT	TBT	$\Sigma$ BTs	MPT	DPT	TPT	$\Sigma$ PhTs	$\Sigma$ OTs
<i>Balanus</i> sp.	$49.0 \pm 6.68$	$70.4 \pm 7.72$	$238 \pm 27.5$	357	nd	nd	nd	nd	357
<i>Lepas anserifera</i>	$42.5 \pm 3.56$	$63.0 \pm 7.80$	$230 \pm 33.0$	336	nd	nd	nd	nd	336

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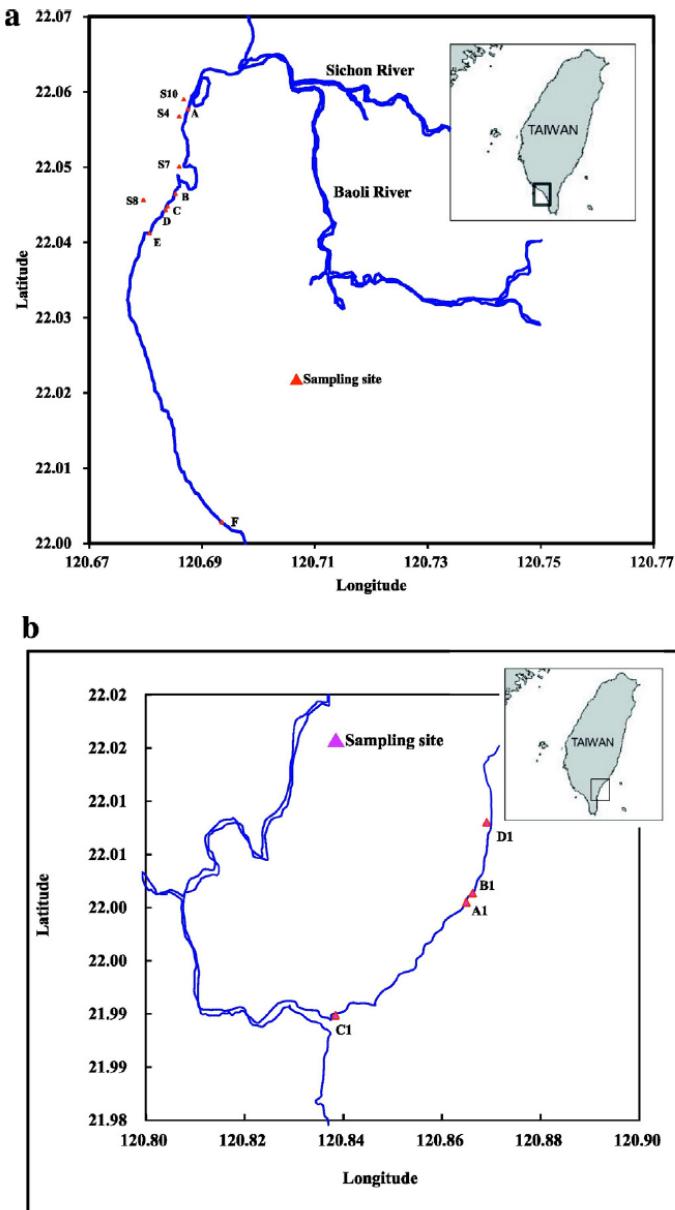
In 2009, the container ship Colombo Queen and the oil tanker W-O BUDMO grounded off Jialeshui and Houwan, respectively, in southern Taiwan. Water quality was monitored at each site to evaluate the environmental impact caused by the resulting oil spills. The results show that the PAHs, turbidity, and other nutrients increased shortly after oil spill, however levels of these parameters eventually returned to baseline levels. On the other hand, DO saturation, pH and *chl. a* decreased initially, reached maxima after 10 days, and returned to the baseline levels after 14 days. The *chl. a* concentration, pH and DO saturation fluctuated in a similar pattern at both sites during the oil spills, likely driven by algal blooms. In this study, we documented a full environmental recovery at coastal areas before, during and after the oil spills.

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**Table 1**

The results of QA analyses samples for all chemical parameters (temperature, salinity, pH, dissolved oxygen, nitrite, nitrate, phosphate, ammonium, chlorophyll-a, suspended solids and turbidity) investigated. MDL = minimum detection limit.

Chemical parameters	Unit	MDL	Precision (%)	Accuracy (%)
Temperature	°C	–	0.17	–
Salinity	psu	–	0.07	99.9
pH	–	–	0.04	–
Dissolved oxygen	mg/L	–	1.2	–
Nitrite	µM	0.03	0.9	100.9
Nitrate	µM	0.1	5.0	97.2
Phosphate	µM	0.06	4.5	96.9
Ammonium	µM	0.7	3.8	99.4
Silicate	µM	0.2	2.0	102.3
Chlorophyll-a	µg/L	–	8.3	111.8
Suspended solids	mg/L	–	5.8	–
Turbidity	NTU	–	1.6	–



**Fig. 1.** a. Sampling sites at Houwan. The W-O BUDMO grounded off the coast between sites C and D. Before the oil spill: S4, S7, S8, S10. During and after the oil spill: A, B, C, D, E, and F. b. Sampling sites at Jialeshui. The Colombo Queen grounded off the coast between sites A1 and B1.

**Table 2**Seawater quality means ( $\pm 1$  SD) at the different stations sampled along the coast of Houwan after the grounding of the German chemical tanker W-O BUDMO.

Station no.	Temp. (°C)	Salinity (psu)	pH	Dissolved oxygen (mg/L)	Oxygen saturation (%)	NO <sub>3</sub> -N (μM)	NO <sub>2</sub> -N (μM)	PO <sub>4</sub> -P (μM)	Si(OH) <sub>4</sub> -Si (μM)	NH <sub>3</sub> -N (μM)	Turb. (ntu)	Chl. a (μg/L)
A	29.1 ± 1.1	32.16 ± 0.59	8.07 ± 0.12	6.64 ± 0.45	103.5 ± 8.1	1.38 ± 0.59	0.26 ± 0.14	0.33 ± 0.31	6.33 ± 2.68	1.81 ± 0.72	18.7 ± 27.2	1.80 ± 3.36
B	29.2 ± 1.4	31.83 ± 0.67	8.09 ± 0.15	7.18 ± 1.30	112.0 ± 22.5	1.33 ± 0.91	0.80 ± 1.39	0.27 ± 0.26	7.00 ± 3.31	6.05 ± 3.34	18.0 ± 27.4	1.75 ± 2.41
C	29.3 ± 1.5	31.67 ± 0.55	8.04 ± 0.18	6.85 ± 1.22	106.9 ± 21.3	1.09 ± 0.39	0.27 ± 0.07	0.22 ± 0.10	8.99 ± 3.28	21.5 ± 24.3	34.7 ± 65.0	2.00 ± 4.64
D	28.9 ± 1.2	31.04 ± 1.12	7.95 ± 0.20	5.72 ± 1.17	88.2 ± 18.7	2.72 ± 1.79	0.30 ± 0.06	0.27 ± 0.26	14.0 ± 9.10	7.33 ± 5.41	53.5 ± 107	1.39 ± 2.67
E	29.5 ± 0.7	31.75 ± 0.65	8.05 ± 0.13	6.98 ± 0.96	109.2 ± 16.0	2.24 ± 1.24	0.25 ± 0.07	0.25 ± 0.18	7.58 ± 3.42	10.5 ± 23.0	8.58 ± 9.75	1.71 ± 3.37
F	29.7 ± 1.4	31.67 ± 0.76	8.02 ± 0.07	6.43 ± 0.20	100.7 ± 3.8	2.55 ± 1.20	0.28 ± 0.08	0.22 ± 0.12	7.94 ± 3.06	2.51 ± 1.22	9.71 ± 14.7	0.84 ± 0.67

**Table 3**Seawater quality means ( $\pm 1$  SD) from Feb. 2009–Jun. 2009 surveyed along the coast of Houwan before the W-O BUDMO oil spills event.

Station no.	Temp. (°C)	Salinity (psu)	pH	Dissolved oxygen (mg/L)	Oxygen saturation (%)	NO <sub>3</sub> -N (μM)	NO <sub>2</sub> -N (μM)	PO <sub>4</sub> -P (μM)	Si(OH) <sub>4</sub> -Si (μM)	NH <sub>3</sub> -N (μM)	Turb. (ntu)	Chl. a (μg/L)
S10	26.9 ± 2.0	33.47 ± 1.03	8.22 ± 0.16	6.45 ± 0.42	97.5 ± 9.3	6.49 ± 1.64	0.21 ± 0.17	0.15 ± 0.10	5.35 ± 0.17	1.89 ± 1.71	0.40 ± 0.10	0.48 ± 0.44
S4	26.9 ± 2.0	32.90 ± 1.61	8.30 ± 0.09	6.56 ± 0.48	99.0 ± 10.5	3.68 ± 2.41	0.20 ± 0.17	0.41 ± 0.08	2.28 ± 0.43	1.14 ± 1.80	0.53 ± 0.06	0.72 ± 0.65
S7	26.8 ± 2.2	32.90 ± 1.61	8.26 ± 0.07	6.32 ± 0.45	95.2 ± 10.2	5.78 ± 1.96	0.24 ± 0.07	0.54 ± 0.35	4.30 ± 1.31	0.24 ± 0.04	0.50 ± 0.10	0.12 ± 0.01
S8-S	26.9 ± 2.1	33.07 ± 1.05	8.22 ± 0.02	6.47 ± 0.42	97.8 ± 9.8	6.87 ± 1.18	0.08 ± 0.12	0.30 ± 0.05	4.01 ± 1.77	0.28 ± 0.25	0.30 ± 0.10	0.12 ± 0.01
S8-B	25.8 ± 2.1	33.17 ± 1.05	8.22 ± 0.04	6.43 ± 0.37	95.3 ± 8.7	8.79 ± 3.56	0.10 ± 0.09	0.20 ± 0.06	5.01 ± 3.03	0.54 ± 0.74	0.33 ± 0.06	0.11 ± 0.01

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### ABSTRACT

The coral reef ecosystems of Nanwan Bay, Southern Taiwan are undergoing degradation due to anthropogenic impacts, and as such have resulted in a decline in coral cover. As a first step in preventing the continual degradation of these coral reef environments, it is important to understand how changes in water quality affect these ecosystems on a fine-tuned timescale. To this end, a real-time water quality monitoring system was implemented in Nanwan Bay in 2010. We found that natural events, such as cold water intrusion due to upwelling, tended to elicit temporal shifts in coral spawning between 2010 and 2011. In addition, Degree Heating Weeks (DHWs), a commonly utilized predictor of coral bleaching, were 0.92 and 0.59 in summer 2010 and 2011, respectively. Though this quantity of DHW was below the presumed stress-inducing value for these reefs, a rise in DHWs in the future may stress the resident corals.

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**Table 1**

The specifications for precision and accuracy of all measured parameters.

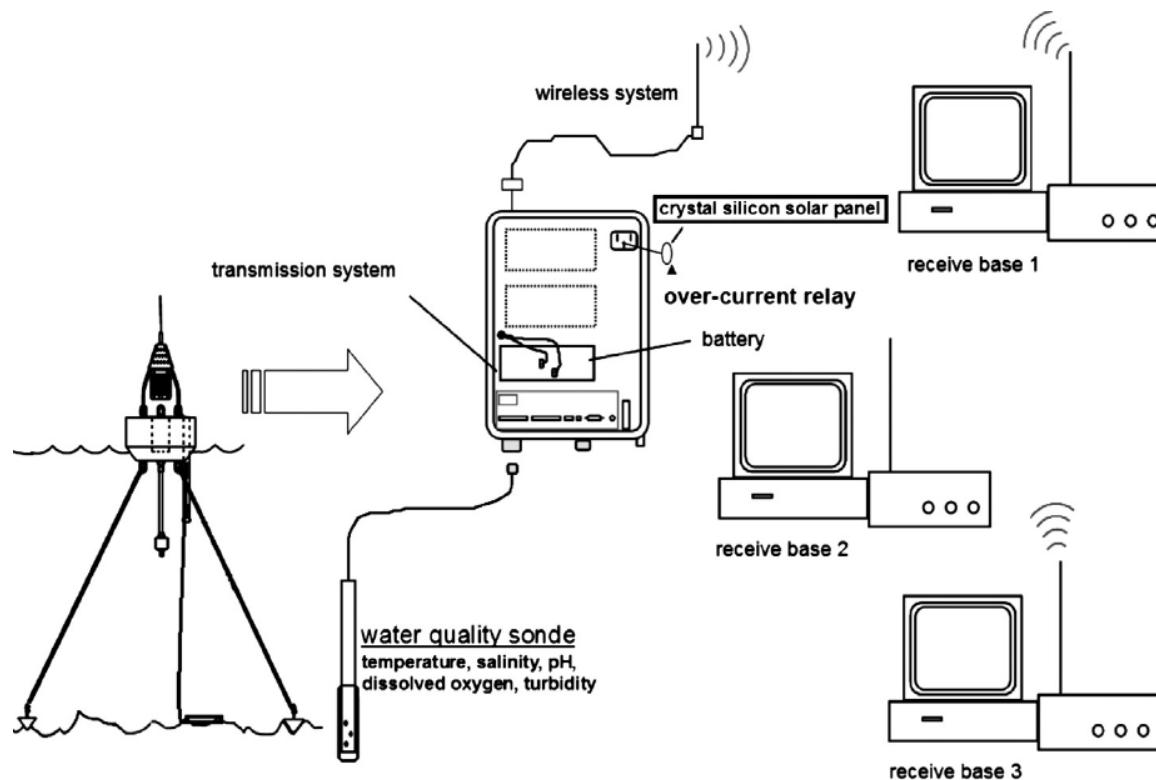
Sensor	Accuracy (%)	Precision (%)
Temperature	99.9	0.8
Salinity	99.9	0.18
pH	99.9	0.43
Dissolved oxygen	100.4	4.55
Turbidity	100.3	6.12

Salinity: IAPSO STANDARD SEAWATER (Batch: P152, 34.993 psu).

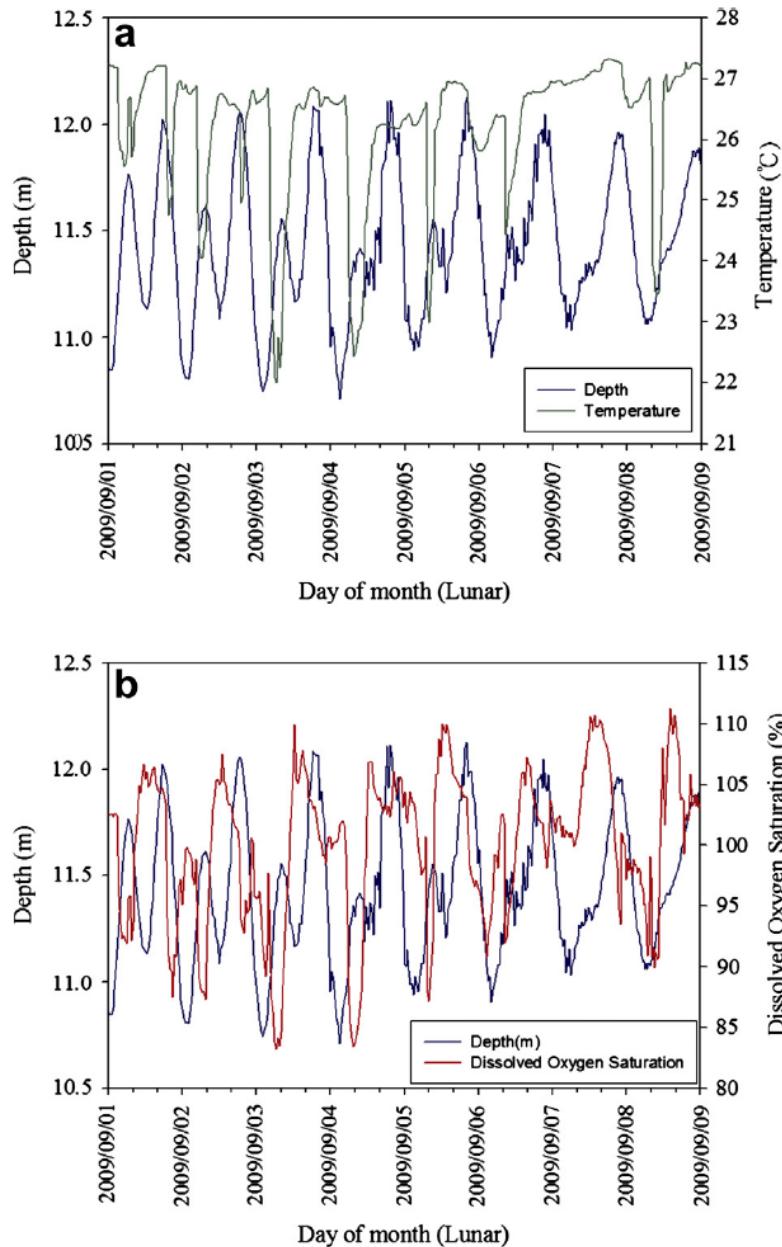
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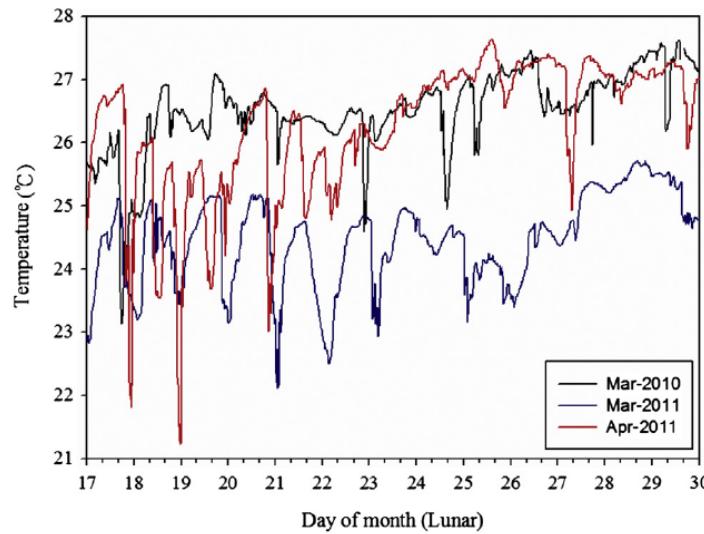
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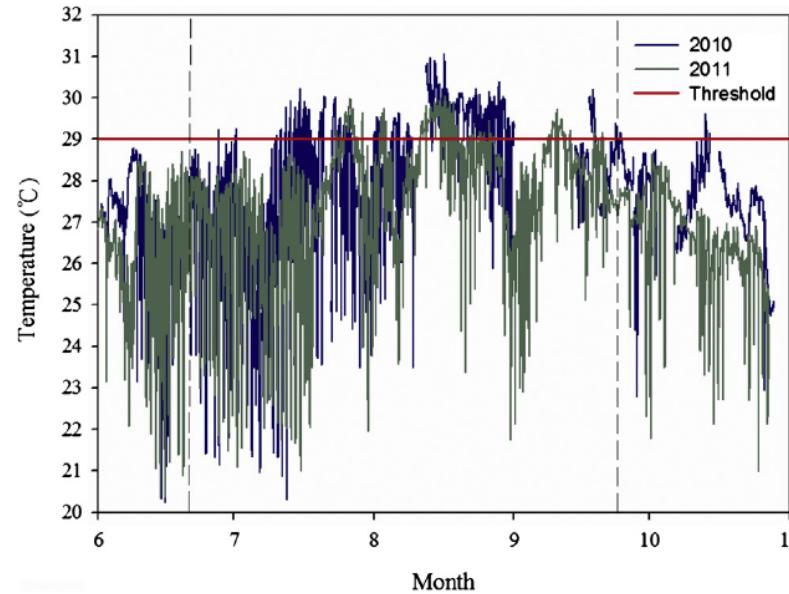
**Fig. 1.** A schematic of the online, real-time seawater quality monitoring system.



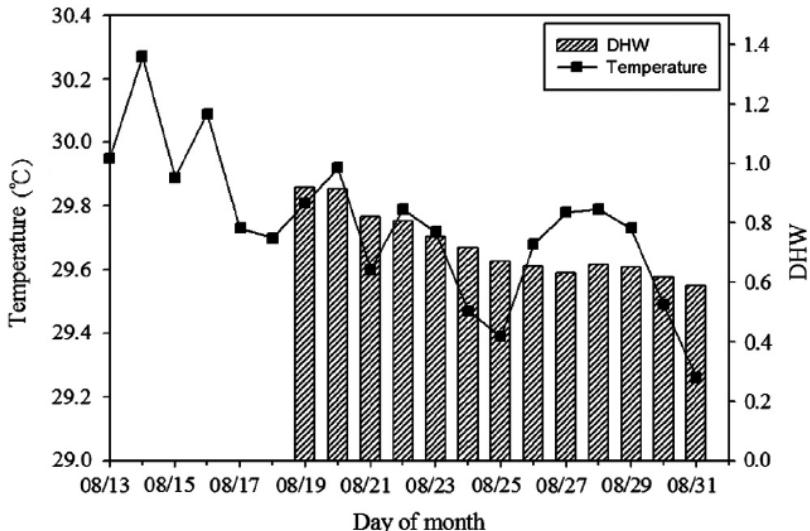
**Fig. 4.** Temperature and dissolved oxygen concentration changes across a tidal cycle in September 2009 in the coral reef ecosystems of Nanwan Bay, Southern Taiwan.



**Fig. 5.** Days before and after the coral spawning period in 2010 and 2011 in the coral reef ecosystems of Nanwan Bay, Southern Taiwan.



**Fig. 6.** Temperature logged between June and October in 2010 and 2011. The bleaching threshold temperature has been shown to be at 29 °C. Vertical lines indicate the summer period.

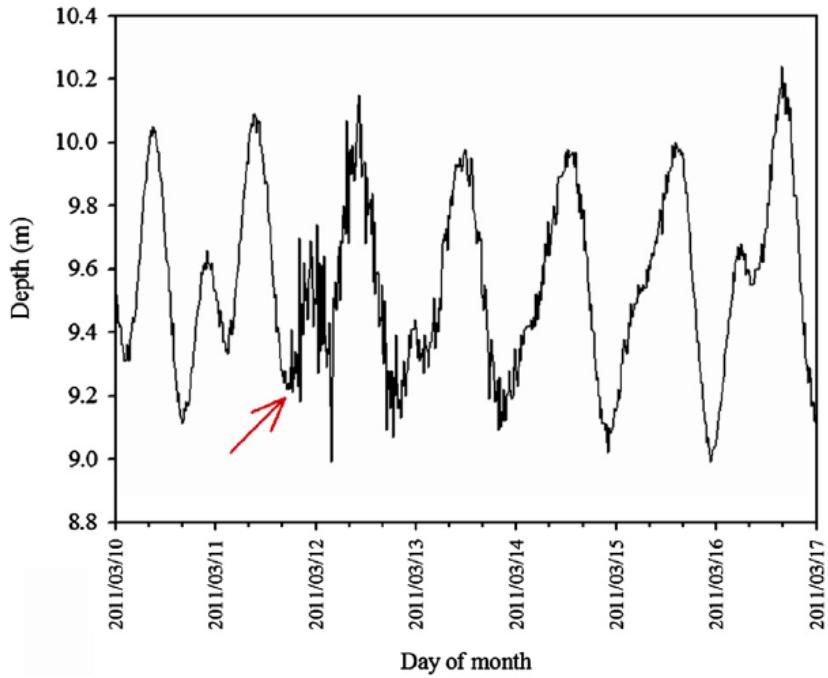


**Fig. 7.** Degree Heating Weeks (DHWs) ranging from 0.59 and 0.92 within the summer periods of 2010 and 2011, respectively, in the coral reef ecosystems of Nanwan Bay, Southern Taiwan.

**Table 2**

The stress levels defined are based on current values of the coral bleaching hotspot and Degree Heating Weeks (DHW).

Stress level	Definition	Effect
No stress	$\text{HotSpot} \leq 0$	No bleaching
Bleaching watch	$0 < \text{HotSpot} < 1$	
Bleaching warning	$1 \leq \text{HotSpot}, 0 < \text{DHW} < 4$	Possible bleaching
Bleaching alert level 1	$1 \leq \text{HotSpot}, 4 \leq \text{DHW} < 8$	Bleaching likely
Bleaching alert level 2	$1 \leq \text{HotSpot}, 8 \leq \text{DHW}$	Mortality likely



**Fig. 9.** The abnormal sea-level induced by the Tohoku earthquake and the associated tsunami on March 11, 2011 in the coral reef ecosystems of Nanwan Bay, Southern Taiwan.



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卡爾森指數(CTSI) = ⌈ TSI(SD)+TSI(Chl)+TSI(TP) ⌉ /3

TSI (SD) = 60 - 14.41 × ln SD

TSI (Chl-a) = 9.81 × ln Chl-a + 30.6

TSI (TP) = 14.42 × ln TP + 4.15

式中：

SD = 透明度(m)

Chl-a = 葉綠素a濃度(μg/L)

TP = 總磷濃度(μg/L)

CTSI	Chl	P	SD	Trophic Class
< 30—40	0—2.6	0—12	> 8—4	Oligotrophic
40—50	2.6—20	12—24	4—2	Mesotrophic
50—70	20—56	24—96	2—0.5	Eutrophic
70—100+	56—155+	96—384+	0.5— < 0.25	Hypereutrophic

### Table 3. Water quality criteria for index score and conversion table of RTSI and CTSI

Trophic Class	Ranks			
	Oligotrophic	Mesotrophic	Eutrophic	Hypereutrophic
Dissolved oxygen saturation	DO(%)≤ 114 %	114<DO(%) ≤116 %	116 <DO(%)≤ 129 %	DO(%)> 129 %
pH	pH≤ 8.29	8.29<pH ≤ 8.30	8.30 <pH ≤ 8.41	pH> 8.41
index Scores (Si)	1	3	5	7
RTSI value	RTSI≤ 2	2 < RTSI≤ 4	4 < RTSI ≤ 6	RTSI> 6

Ranks				
	Oligotrophic	Mesotrophic	Eutrophic	Hypereutrophic
RTSI	≤ 2	>2 ~≤4	>4 ~≤6	> 6
CTSI	>30 ~ 40	>40 ~≤50	>50 ~≤70	>70

$$\text{RTSI} = (\text{S}_1 + \text{S}_2)/2$$

S<sub>1</sub>: pH index Score

S<sub>2</sub>: Dissolved oxygen saturation index Score



# Developing a Real-Time Trophic State Index of a Seawater Lagoon: A Case Study From Dapeng Bay, Southern Taiwan

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Algal blooms over the past years have caused considerable worldwide impacts on marine ecology, aquaculture, recreational activities, and human health. Therefore, there is an urgent need to develop indices for evaluating the nutritional status of seawater as a means of predicting algal blooms. A long-term water quality monitoring dataset from Dapeng Bay, Southern Taiwan, indicated that seawater dissolved oxygen (DO) concentrations and pH were significantly correlated with algal abundance. Using this dataset, we then developed a real-time trophic state index (RTSI) by (1) referring to the seawater nutrient grading system defined by Carlson's index and (2) incorporating an algorithm based on the relationship between DO, pH, and eutrophication status. The RTSI was superior to contemporary indices in its simplicity, as no complicated nutrient or chlorophyll a (Chl a) measurements were required, and real-time data were displayed on a personal computer. The index is sensitive to changes in seawater quality that will be of aid to managers.

**Keywords:** algal bloom, nutrients, trophic state index, water quality, Taiwan

## INTRODUCTION

Lagoons are semi-enclosed seawater environments that are generally located between landmasses and sandy beaches (Boynton et al., 1996), thereby serving as a transition zone between land and sea (Tew et al., 2008). The calm and oftentimes nutrient-rich waters of a lagoon make for ideal nursery conditions for a wide variety of commercially important fish and invertebrates (Tew et al., 2008, 2010, 2014; Hsieh et al., 2010) and display a rich ecosystem (Araujo et al., 2015). Given the poor water exchange of lagoons, they are highly sensitive to exogenous inputs (Tew et al., 2010), especially nutrients (Pinckney et al., 2001; Hsieh et al., 2010; Tew et al., 2010, 2014). Nutrient influx results in eutrophication, which can stimulate primary production

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EXO電壓 (V)	5.8

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EXO電壓 (V)	5.51

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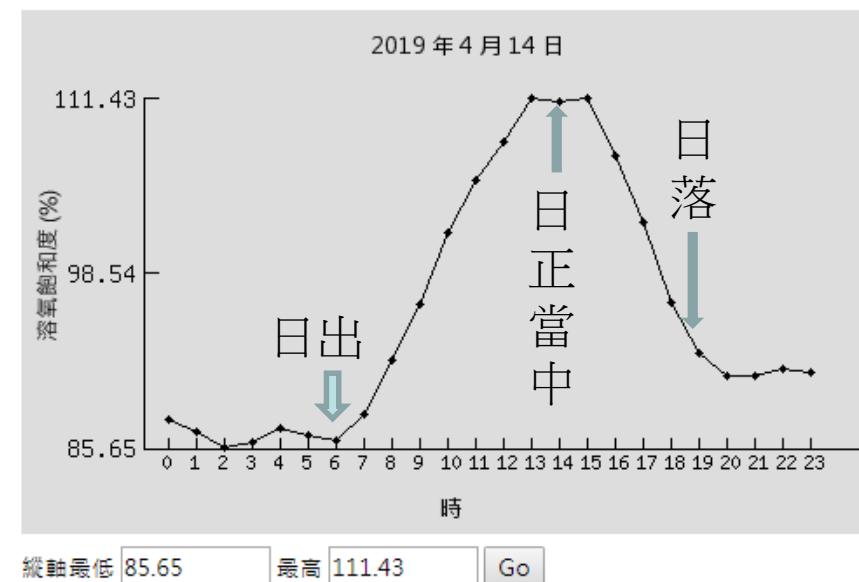
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7	88.11	19	92.64
8	92.04	20	90.89
9	96.24	21	90.88
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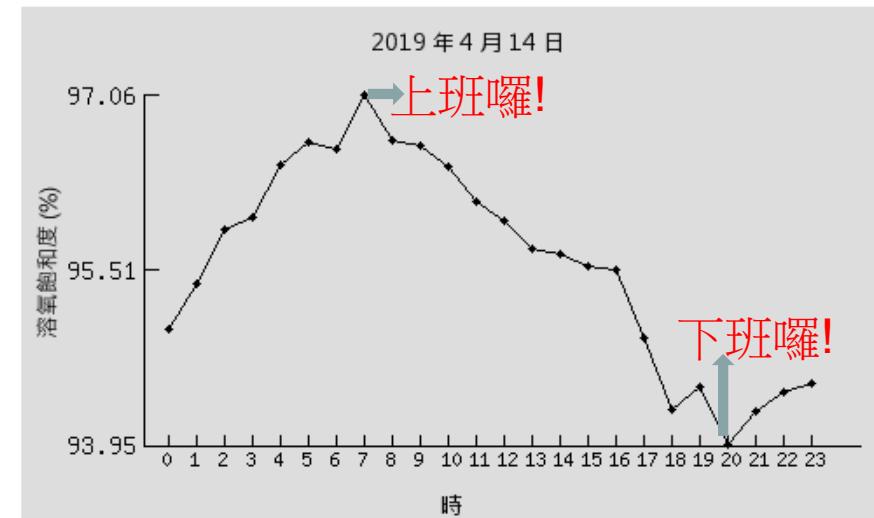
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6	96.58	18	94.26
7	97.06	19	94.47
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