



An global perspective on MPAs and update on WCPA – Marine activities, spring 2009



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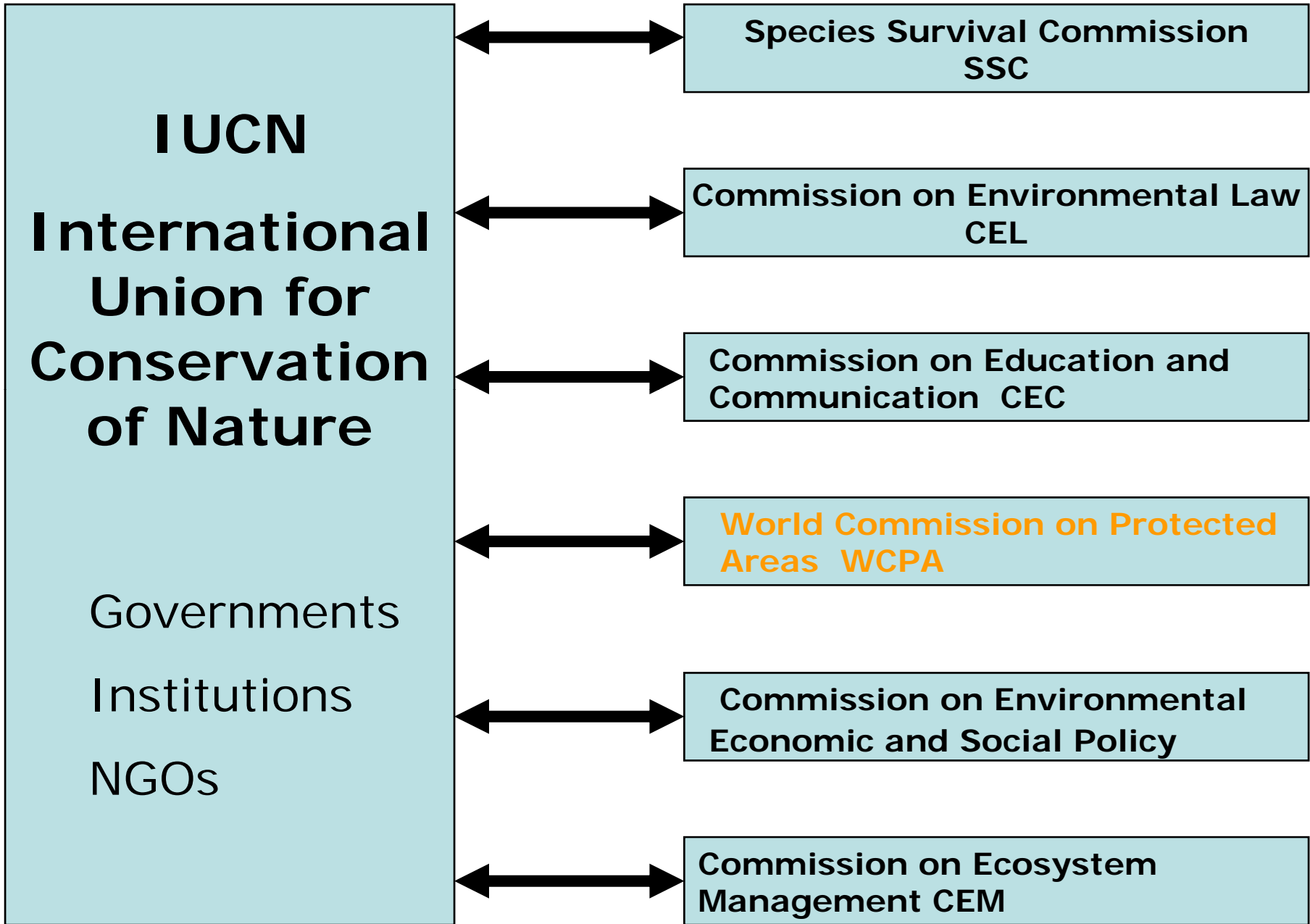
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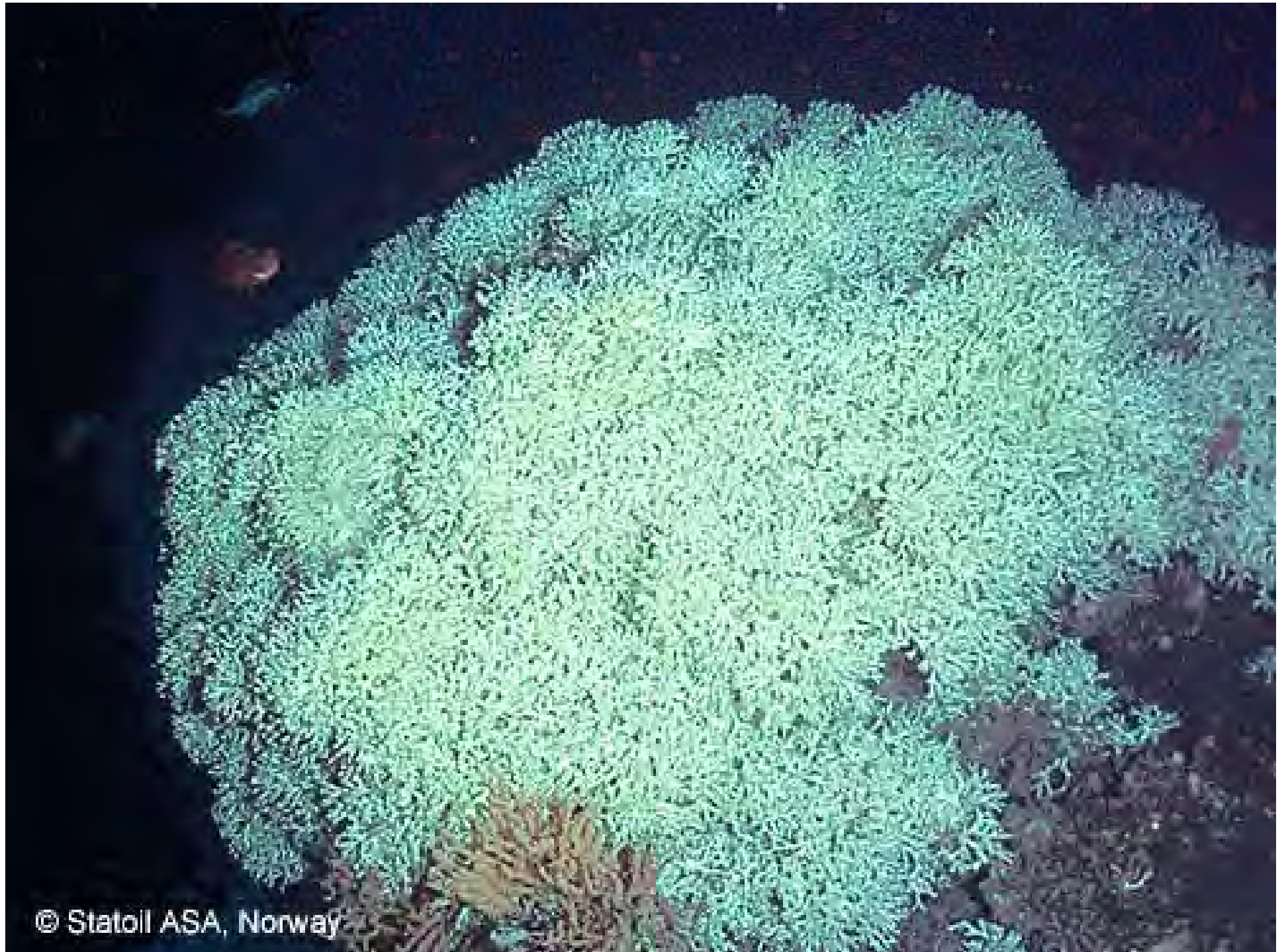
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WCPA – Marine focus on:

- The challenges
- The programme
- The latest products
- The next steps



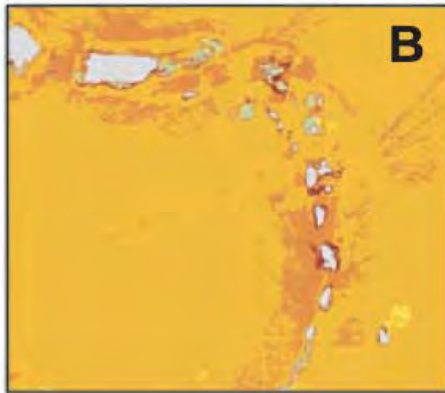
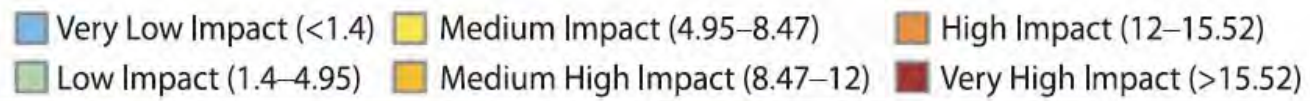
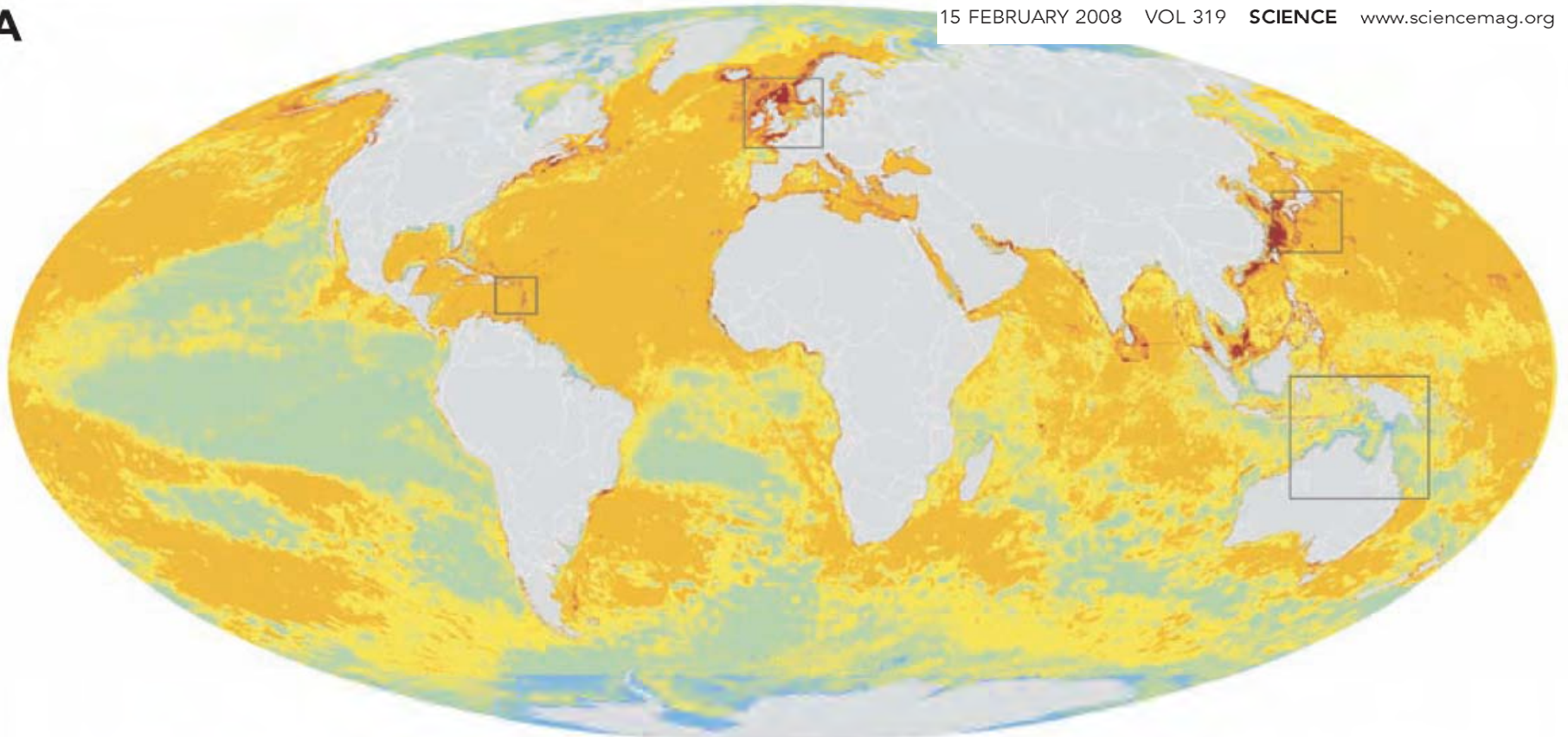
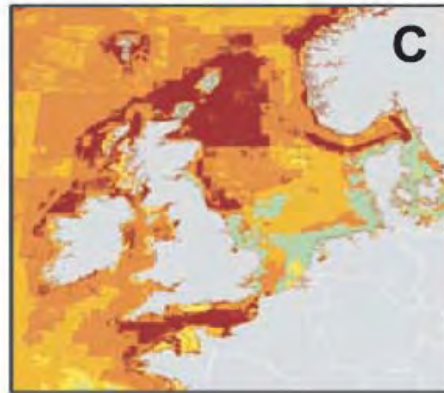
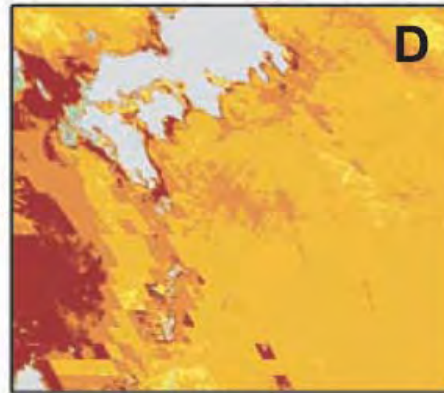
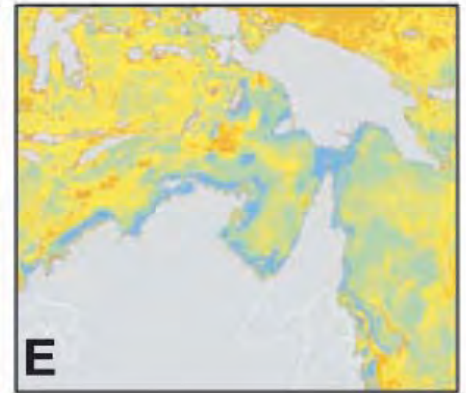


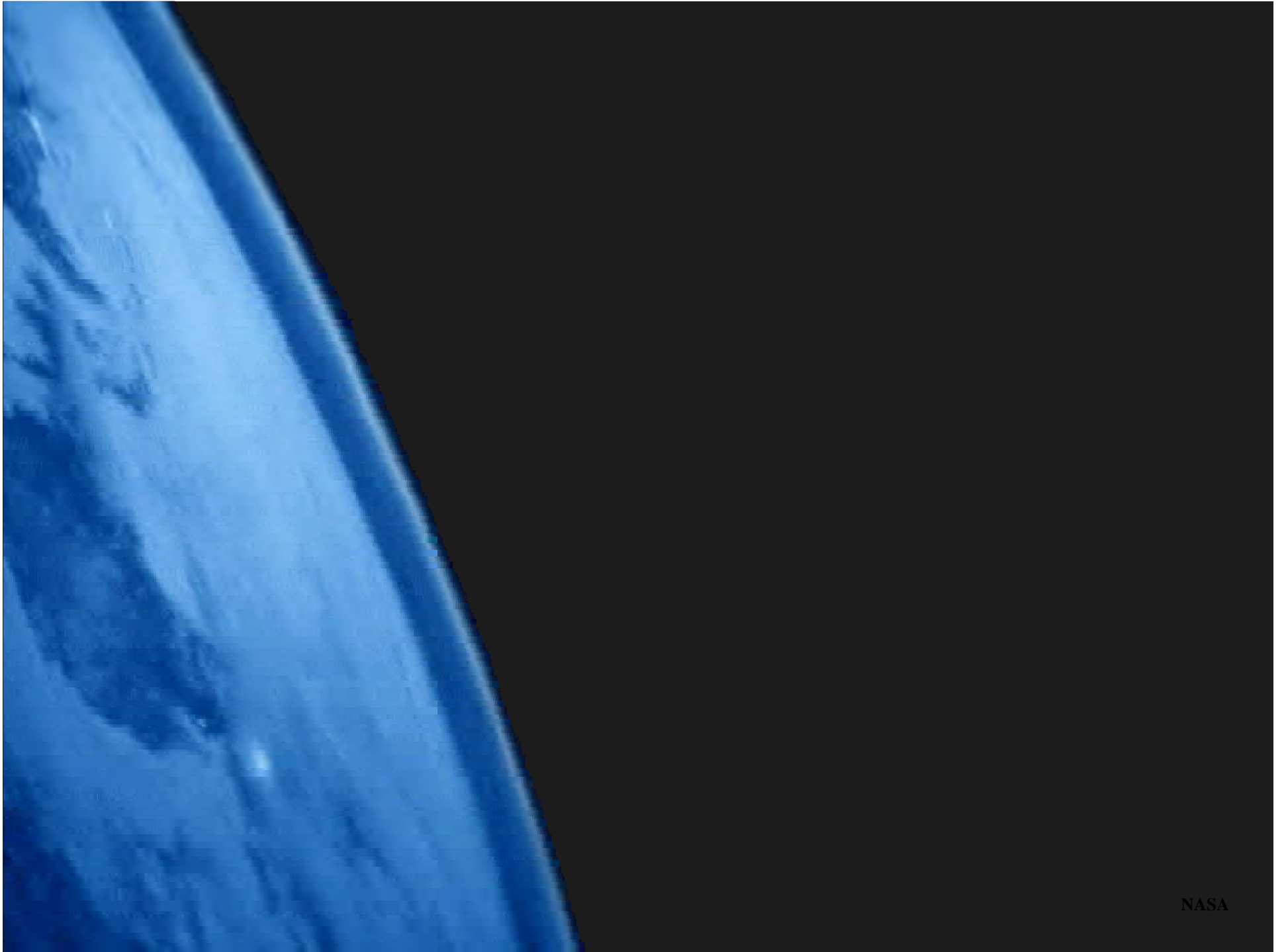
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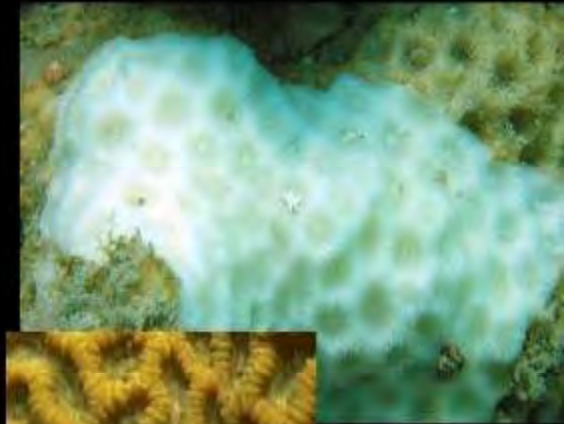


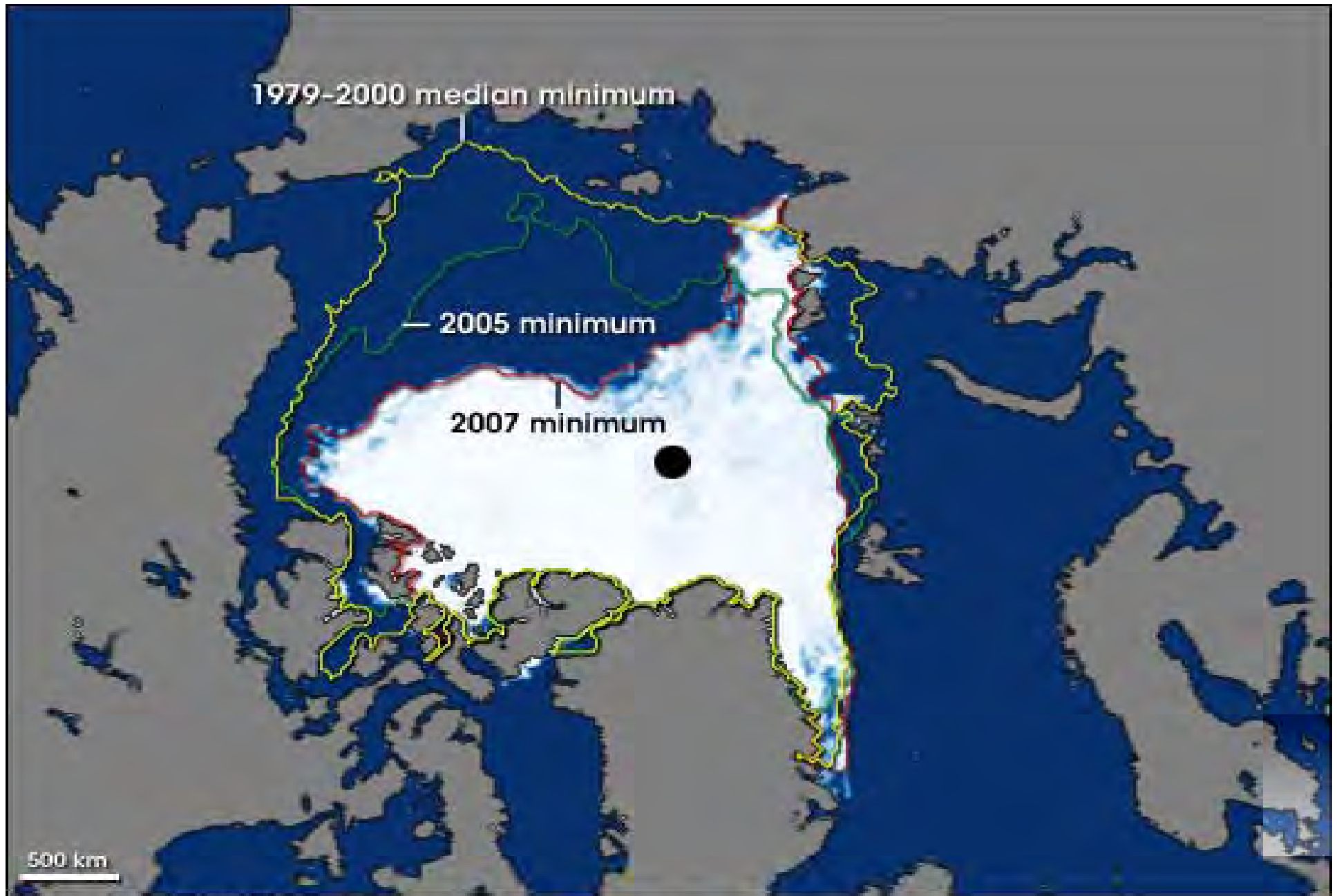
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An epaulette shark (*Hemiscyllium freycineti*), believed to be a new species. They spend most of their time on the sea floor looking for crustaceans and molluscs.

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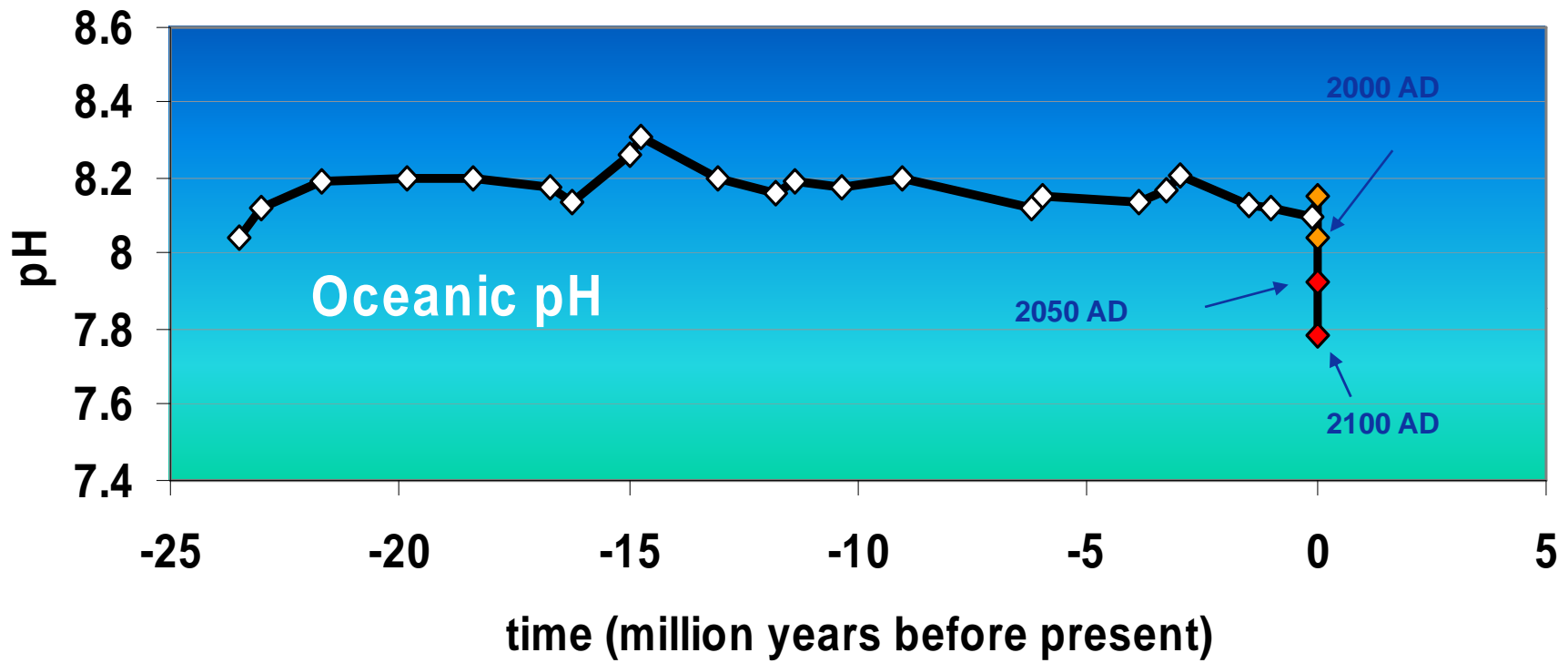


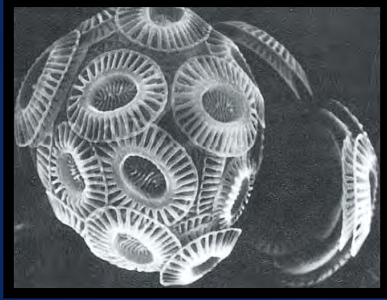
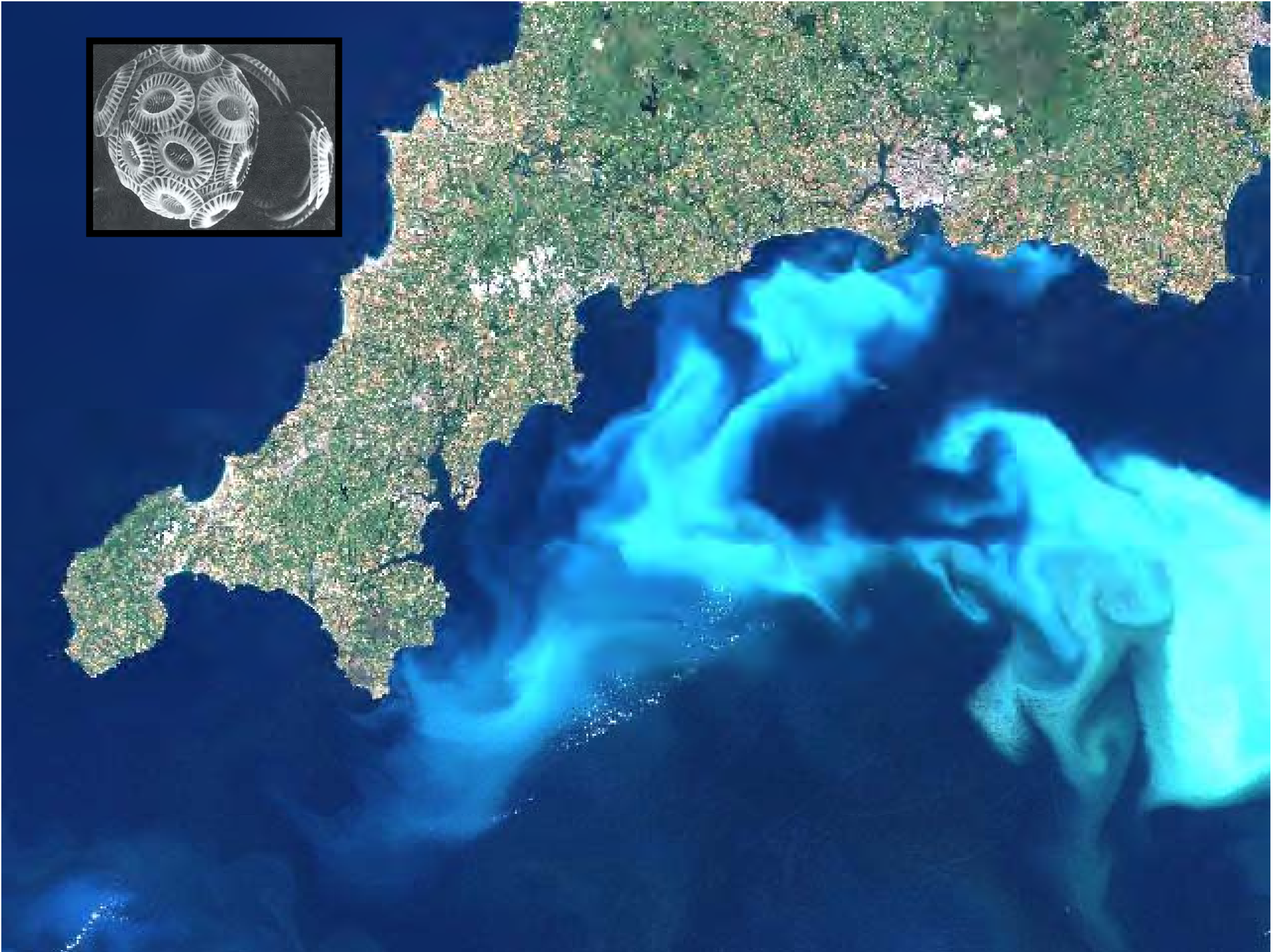
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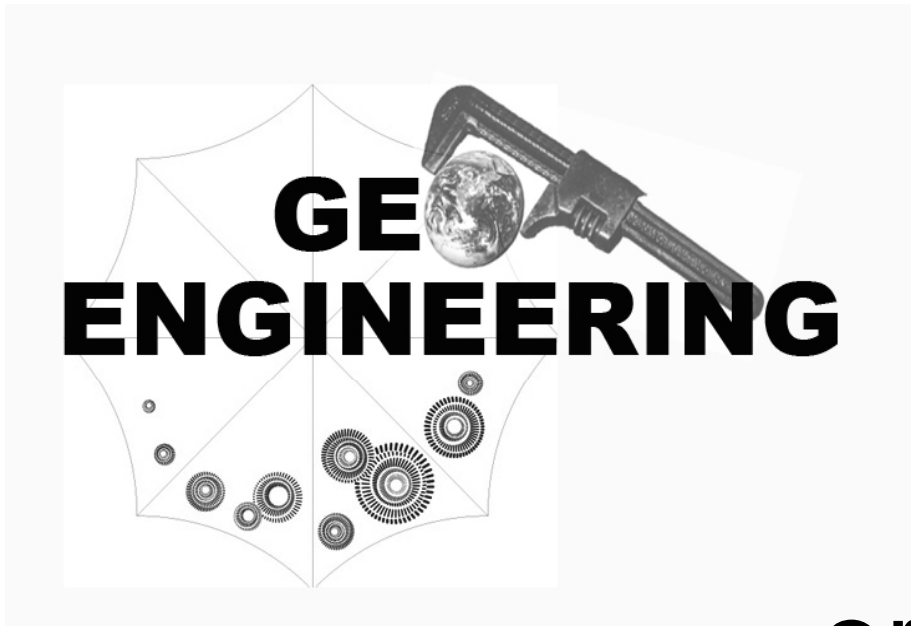
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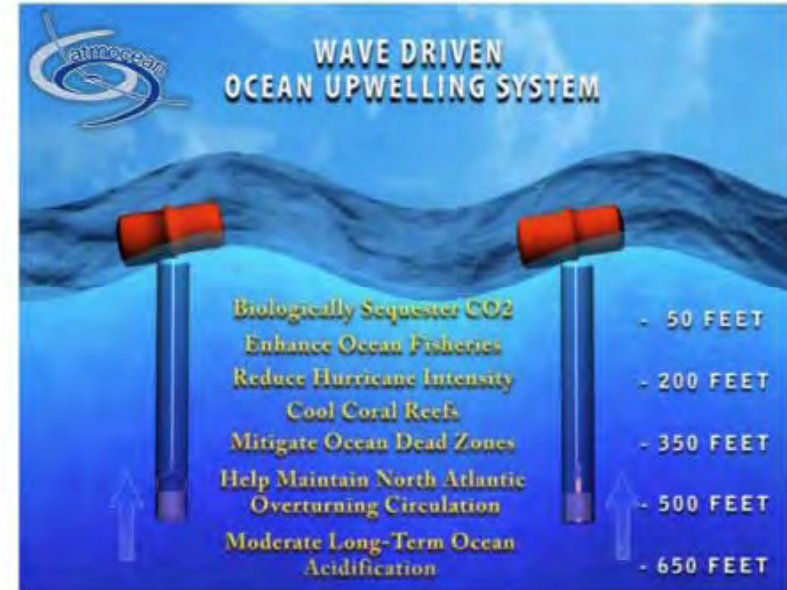
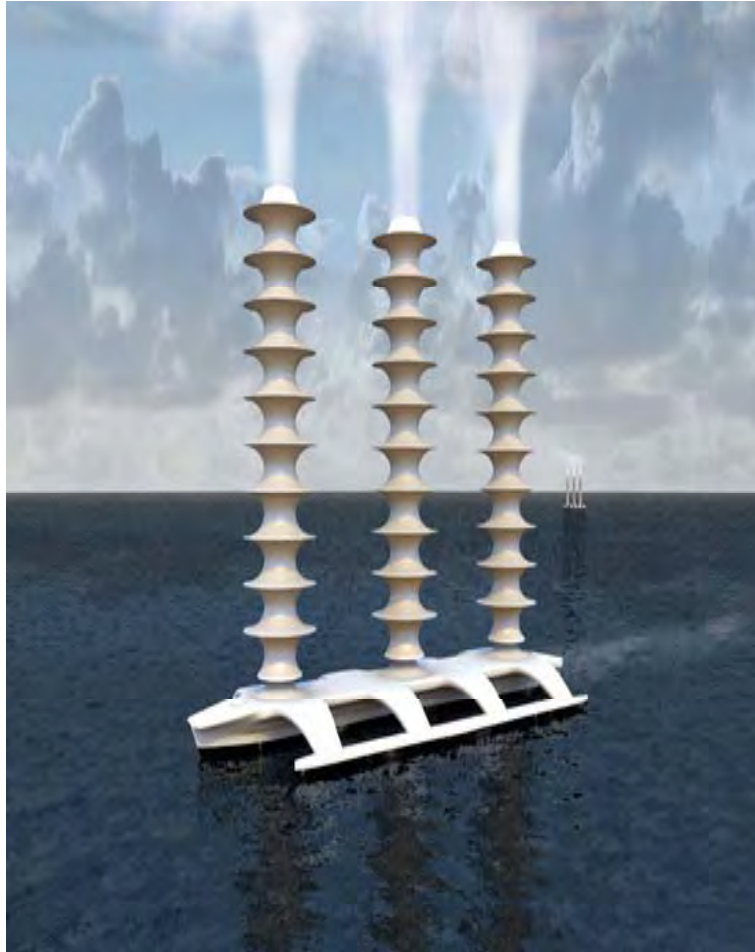
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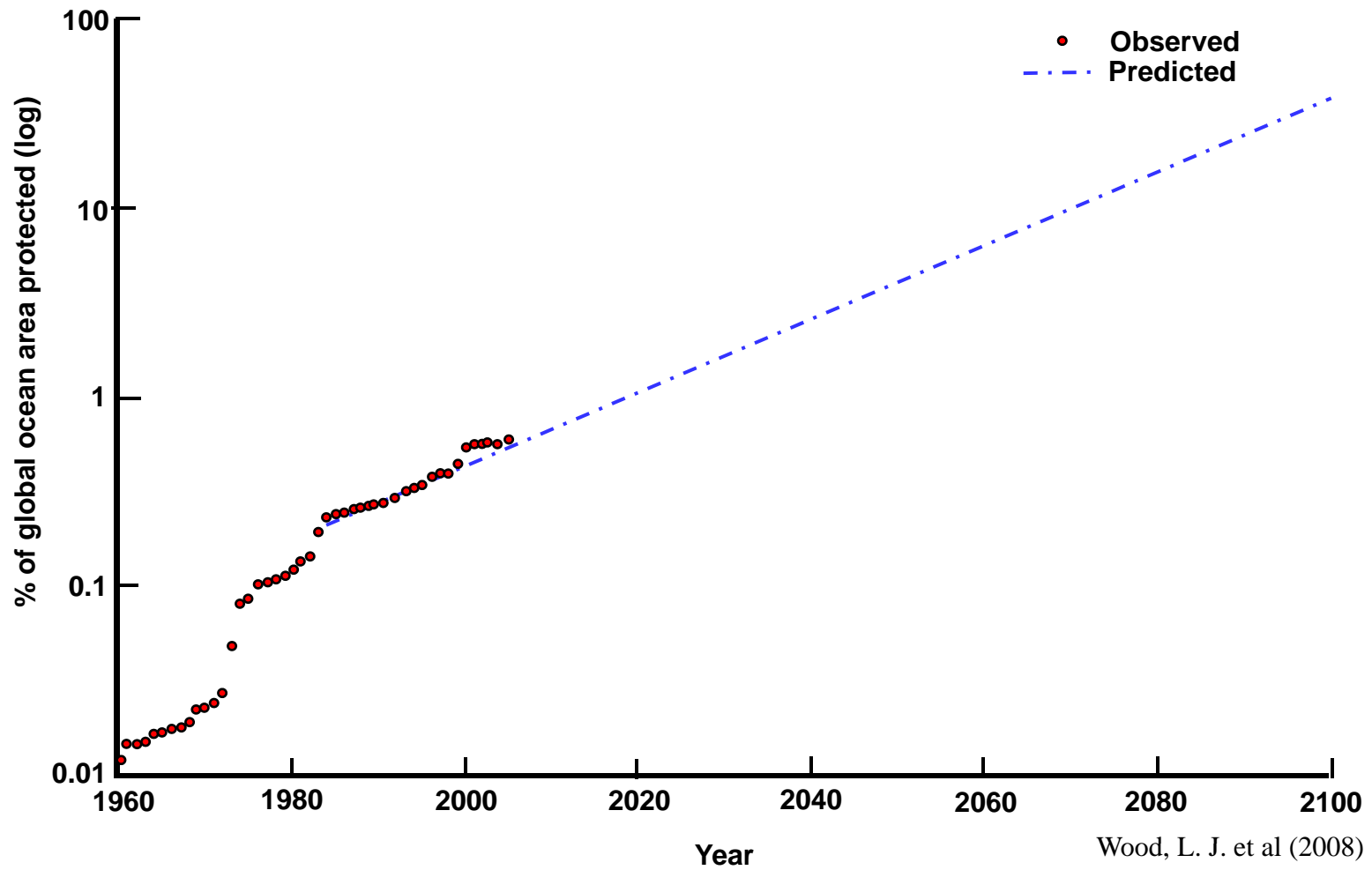


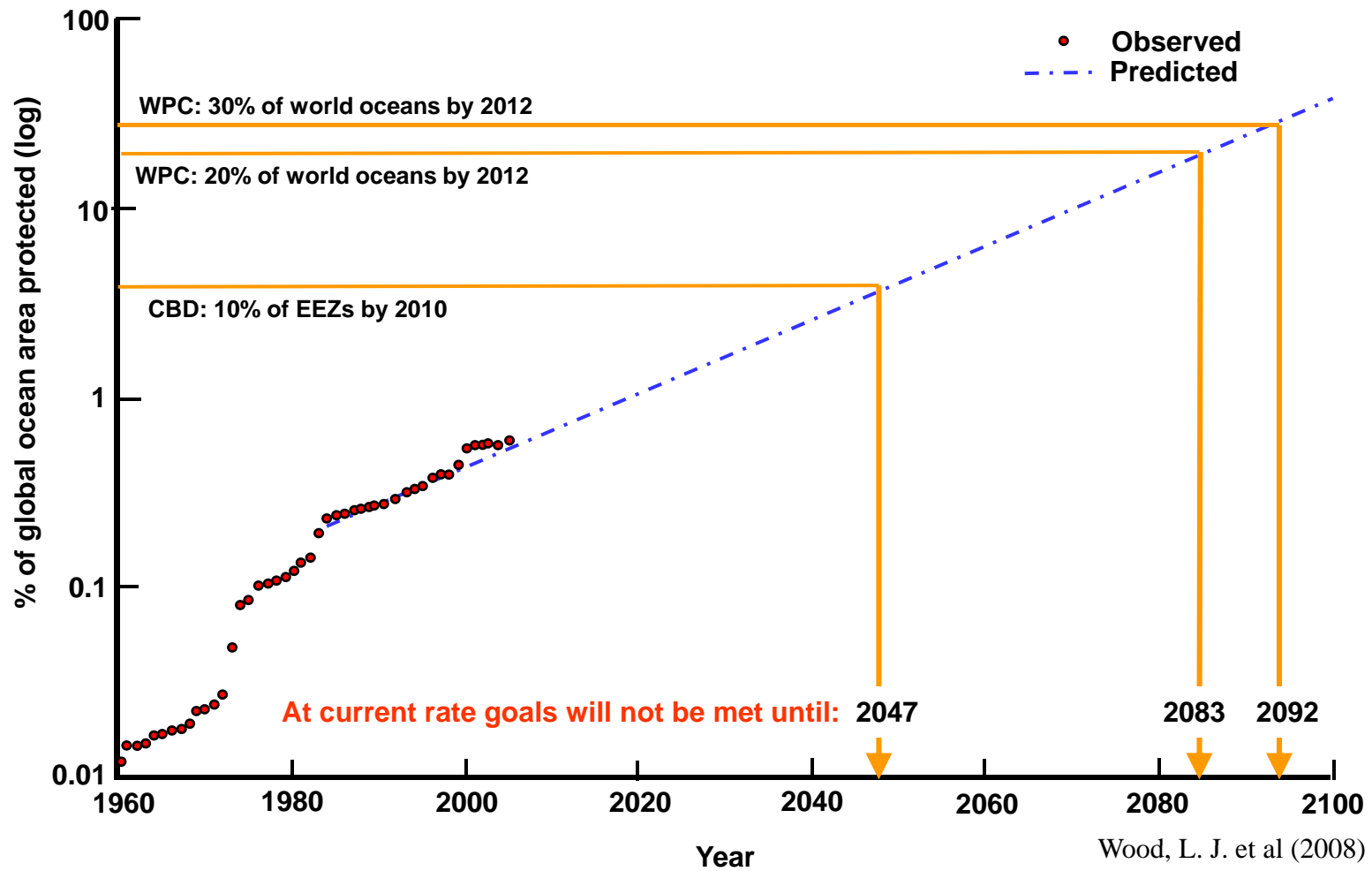


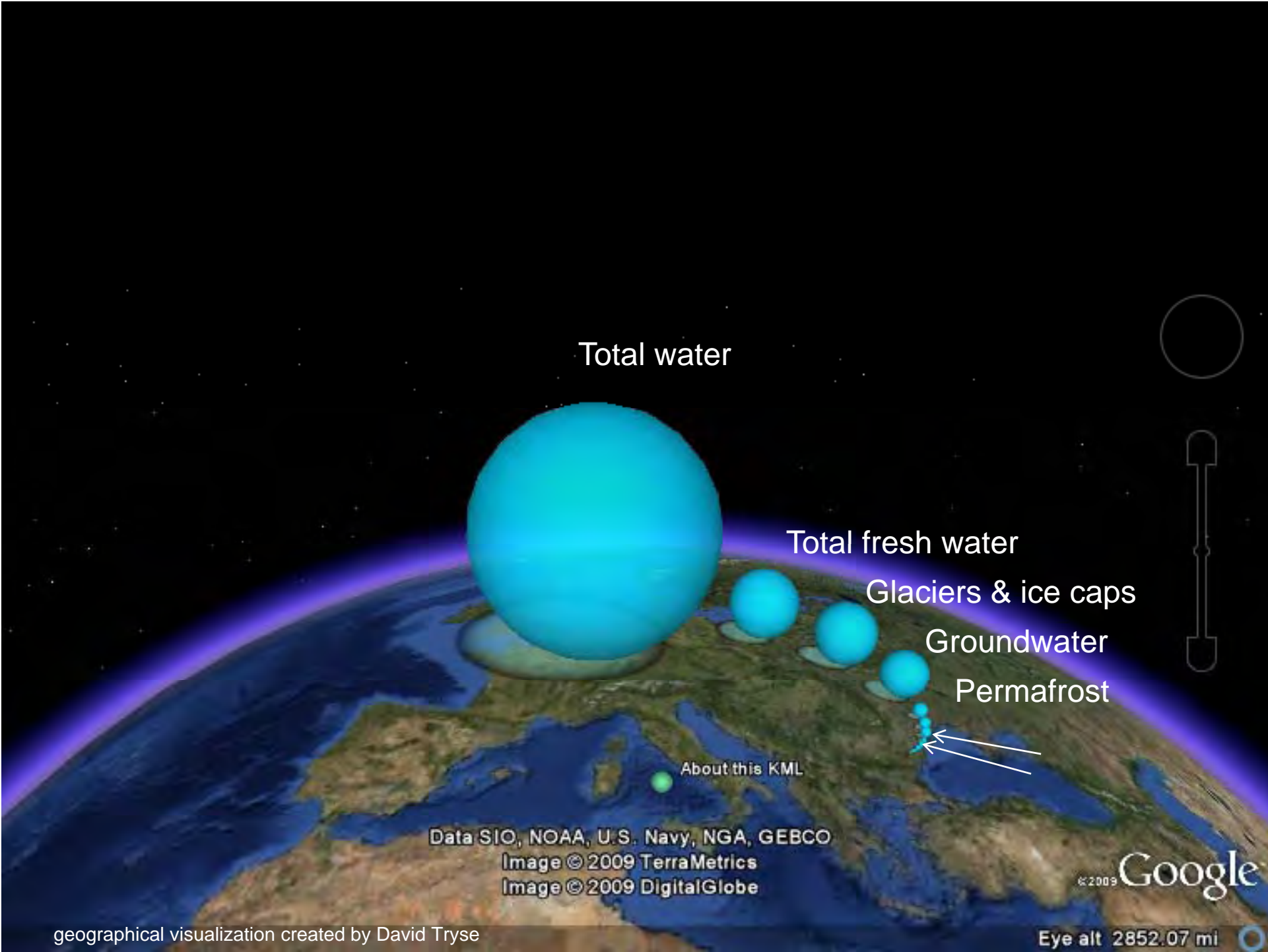
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Signing of the political declaration at the close of the Summit







Total water

Total fresh water

Glaciers & ice caps

Groundwater

Permafrost

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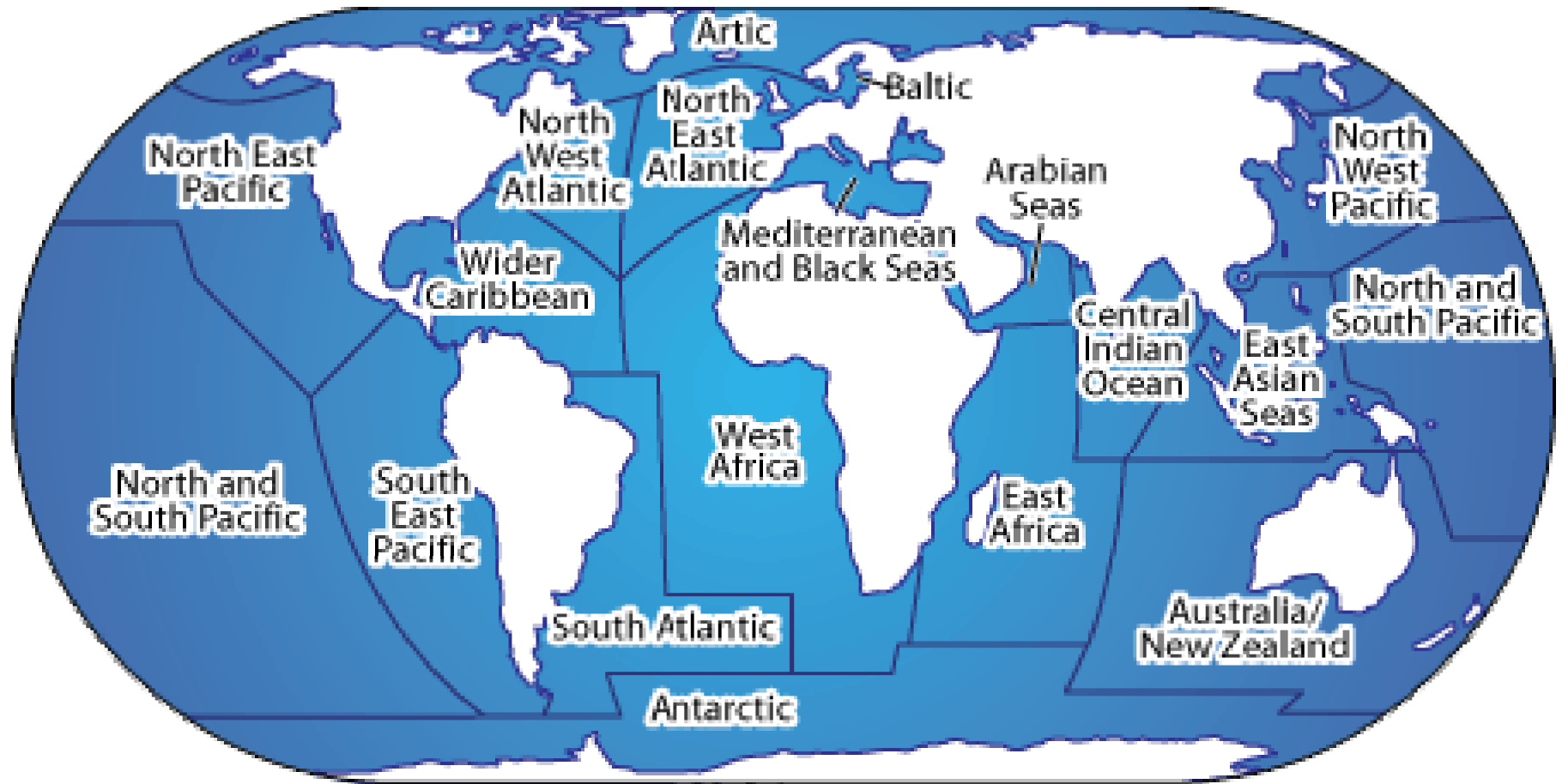
The WCPA Summit is not expected to resolve the issues relating to IUCN categories and MPAs...

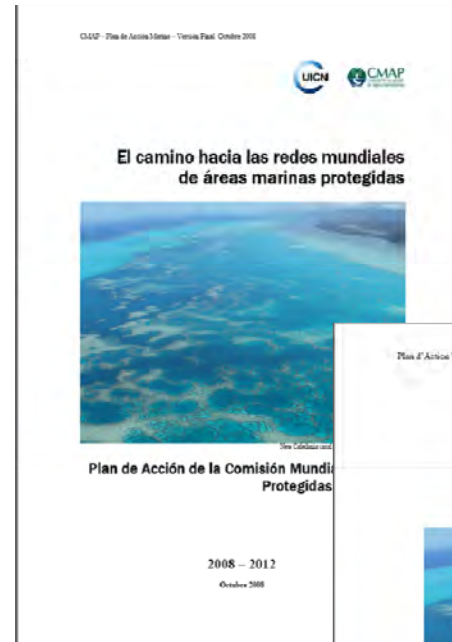
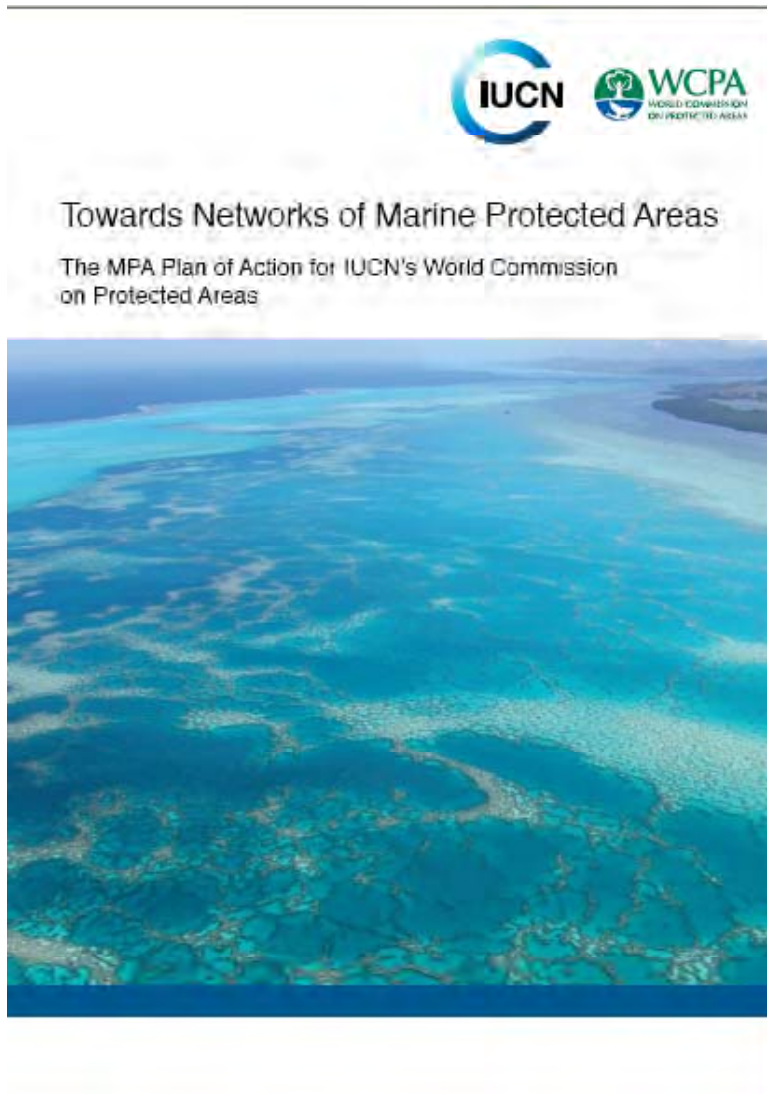
...it should however, confirm what are the key issues and recommend ways forward to the forthcoming IUCN Categories Summit to be held in May 2007.

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Some headlines



- Better data and maps
- Greater scale of protection
- Greater understanding of progress
- High Seas a priority
- Marine World Heritage a priority
- Global-regional-local networking a priority
- Capturing and sharing best practice a priority
- Visibility of current protection a priority
- Citizen engagement a priority – political commitment
- Web-based support



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Focus of the PPO Reviews

- What's MPAs are there?
- What's missing?
- What's new?
- What are the challenges?
- What are the priorities?



First review will focus on the Mediterranean

A large school of fish, possibly sardines or anchovies, swimming in clear blue water. The fish are densely packed and moving in various directions, creating a dynamic scene. The water is a vibrant blue, and the lighting suggests a bright, sunny day. The fish are silvery with a slight blue tint, and their scales catch the light. The overall composition is a dense, swirling mass of fish, filling most of the frame.

High Seas Gems: Hidden Treasures of Our Blue Earth



Introduction




The Bahrain Action Plan for Marine World Heritage

Improving and evaluating the application of the World Heritage Convention as a significant contribution to the IUCN WCPA – Marine global Plan of Action for MPAs in our oceans and seas.



The dugong is one of the world's most endangered species, thought to number only 100 individuals in the [Gulf of Persia](#).

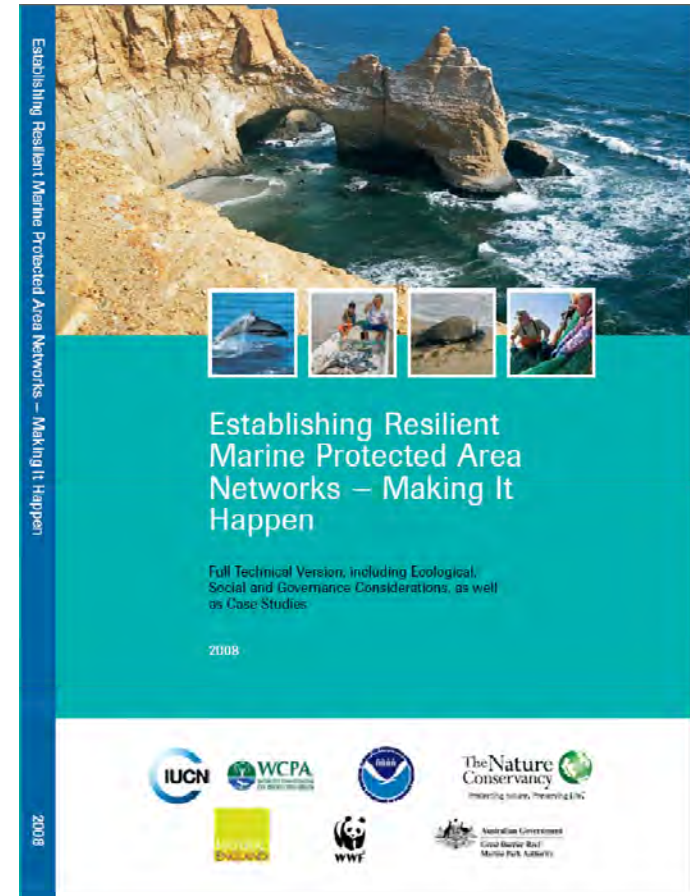
The workshop report arising from the (joint global and regional) meeting hosted by the Kingdom of Bahrain, 24 – 26 February, 2009, and organized in partnership with UNESCO and IUCN WCPA – Marine.





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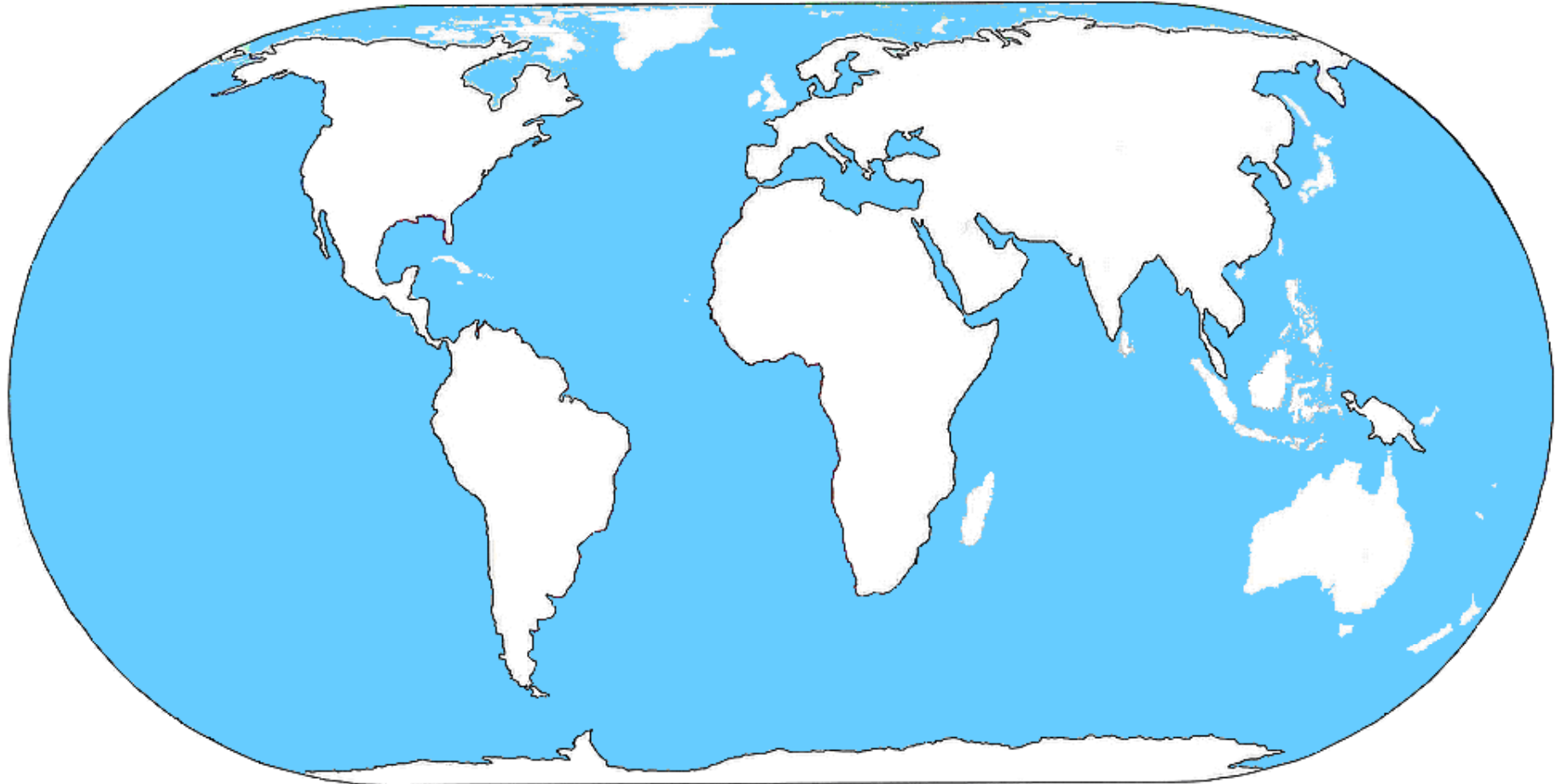
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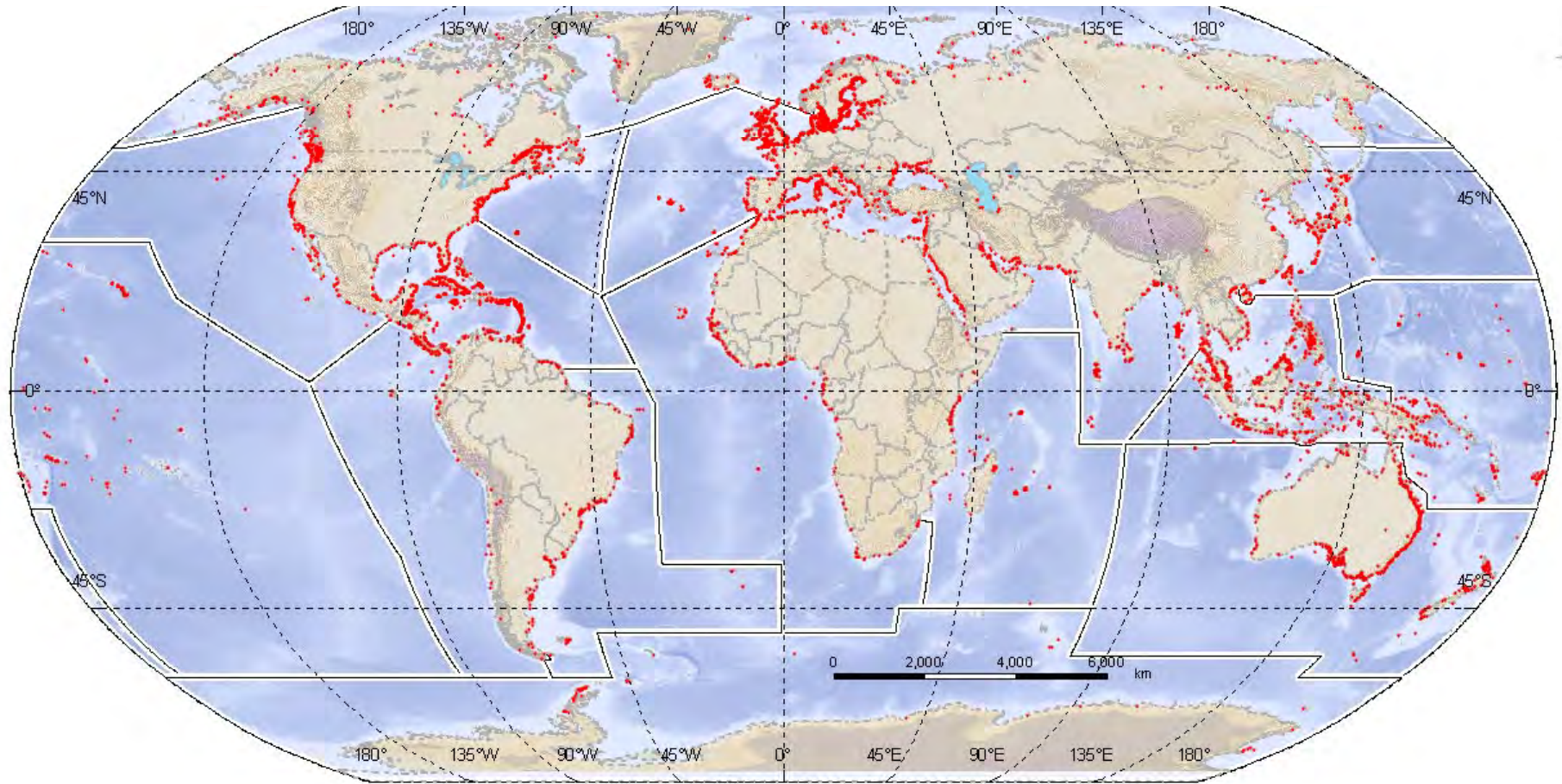
- A blue ocean – invisible 'life'
- Much of it is protected (30% - 40%!)
- Not sure where protection is (?Barrier Reef)
- No idea of scale

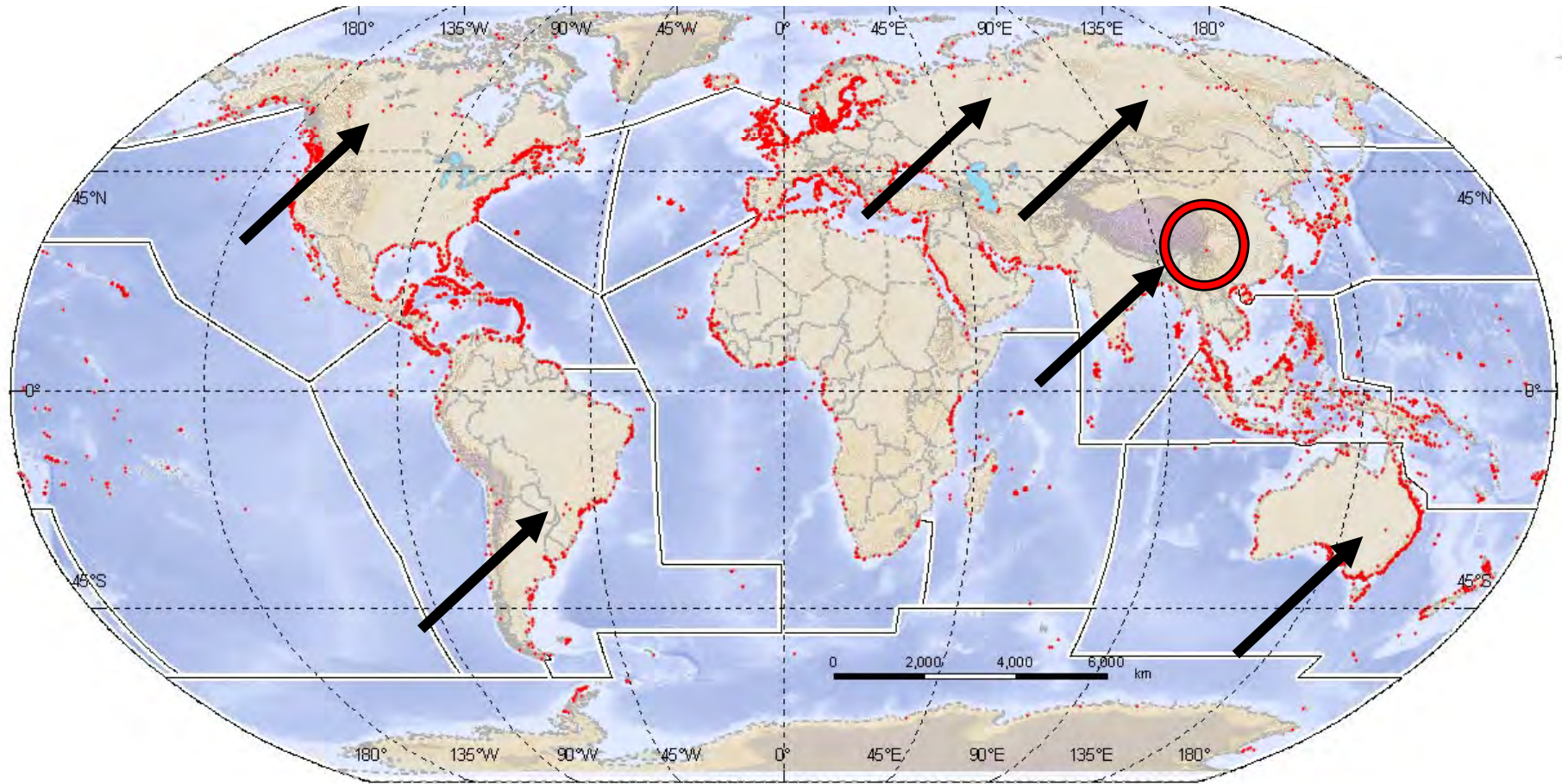




Visibility on MPA progress





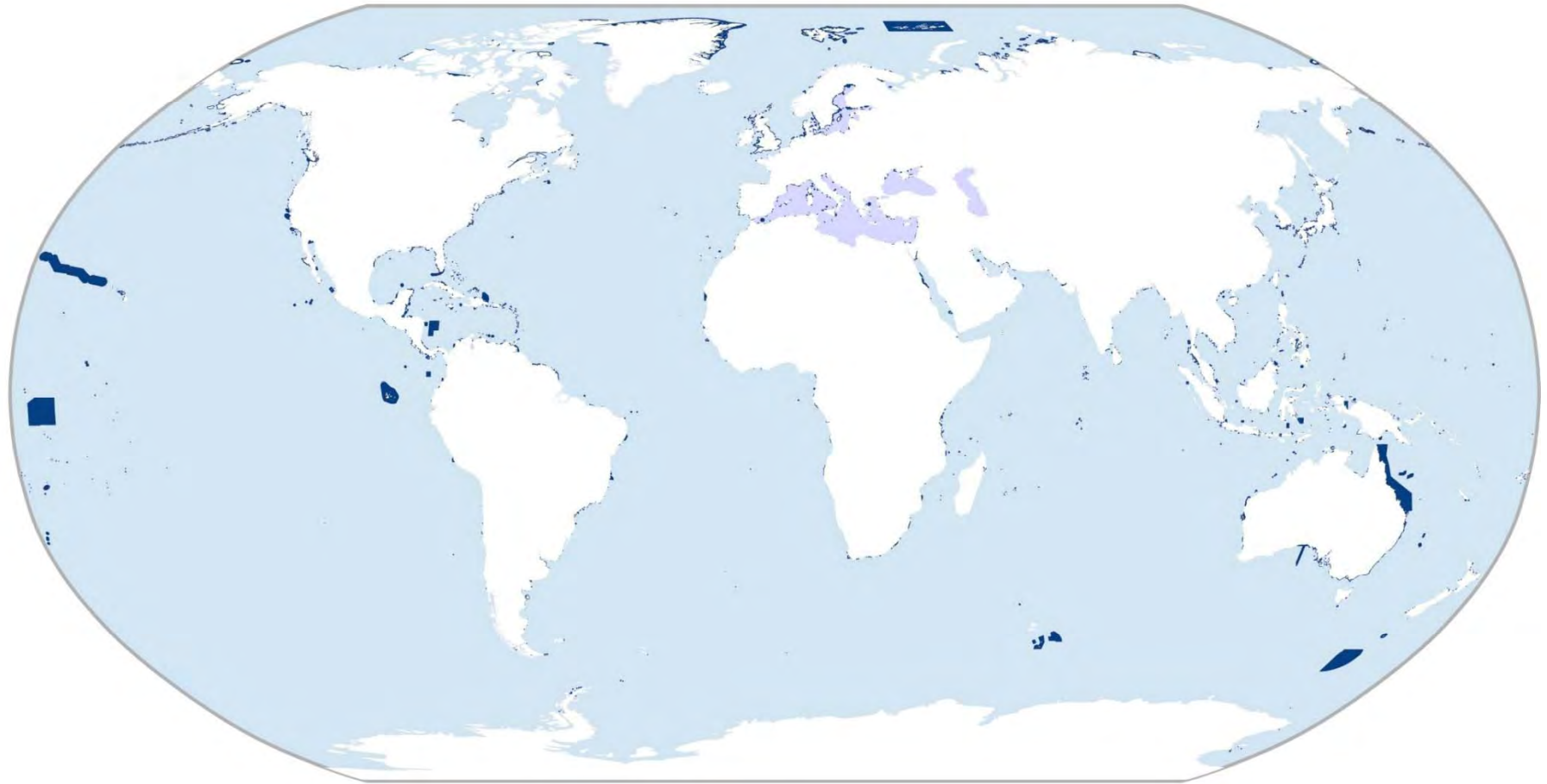




All MPAs designated by mid-2008



4400 MPAs, 2.35 million km², 0.65% of oceans



Source: Wood, L. J., Fish, L., Laughren, J. & Pauly, D. 2008. *Oryx* 42(3): 340-351

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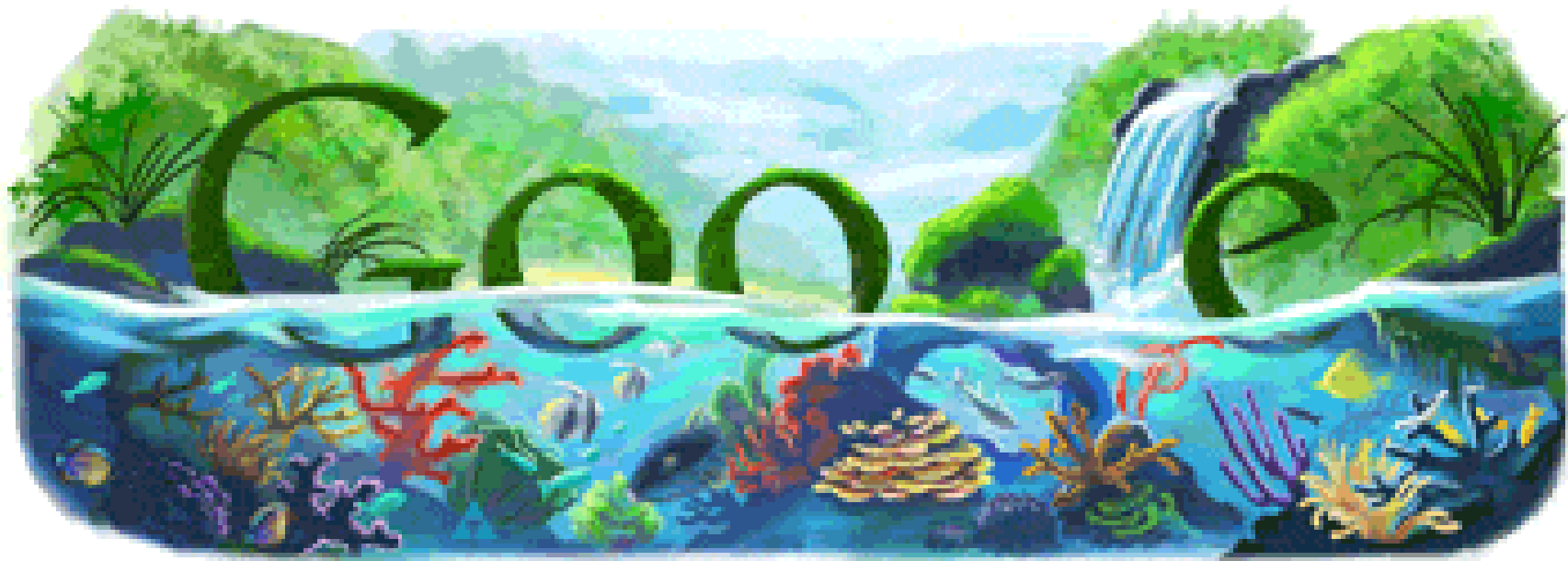


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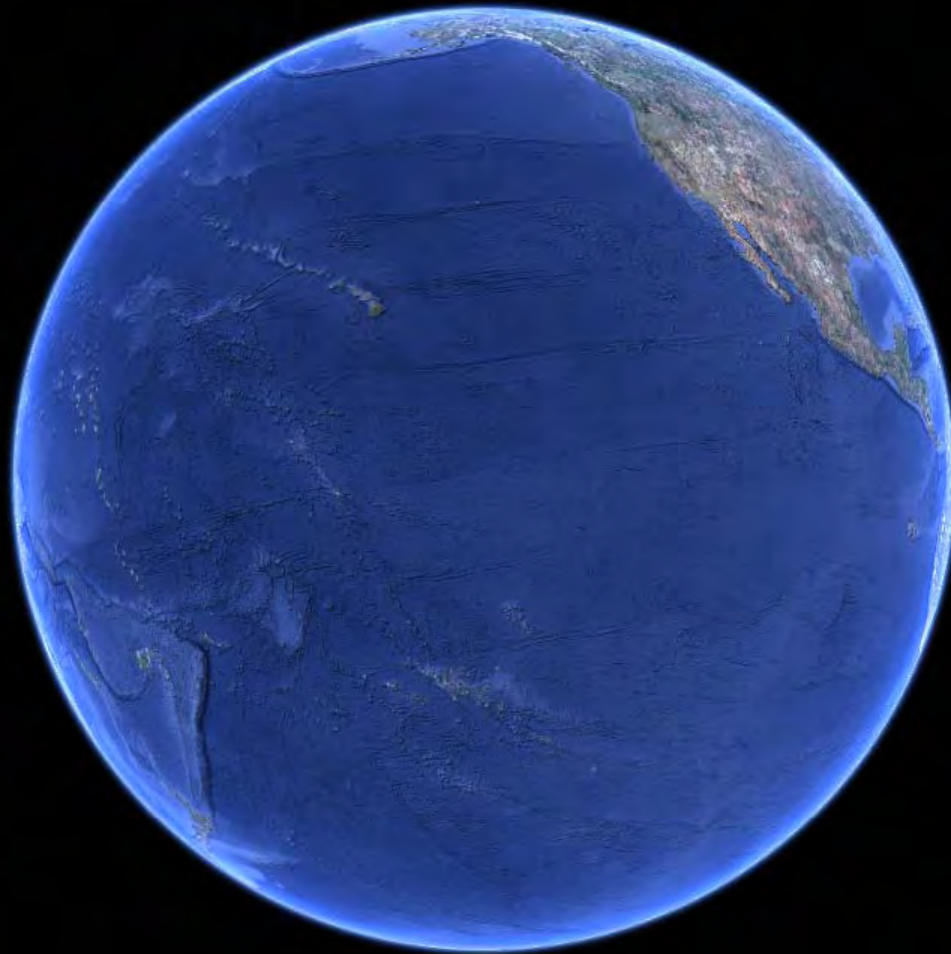


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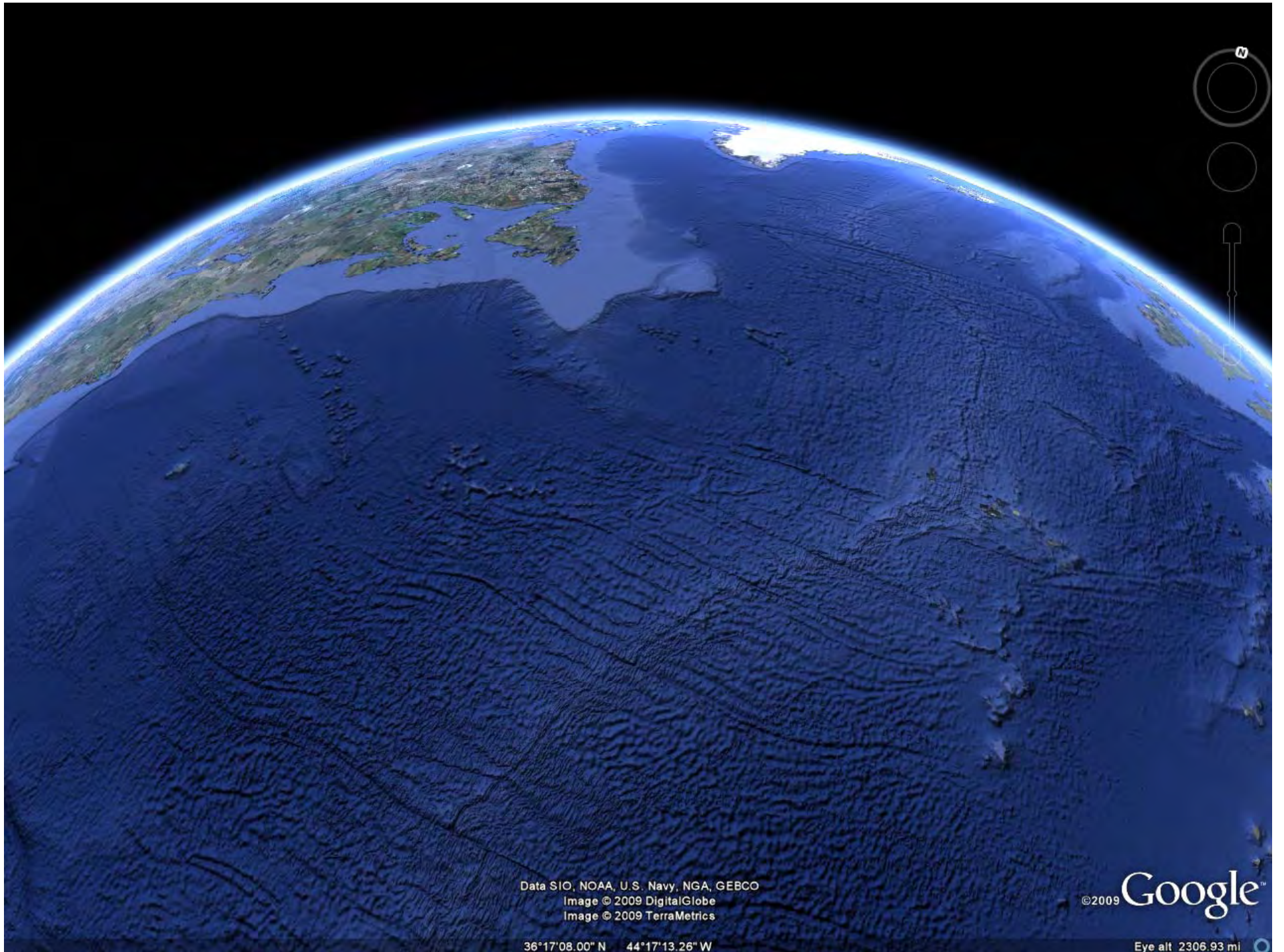


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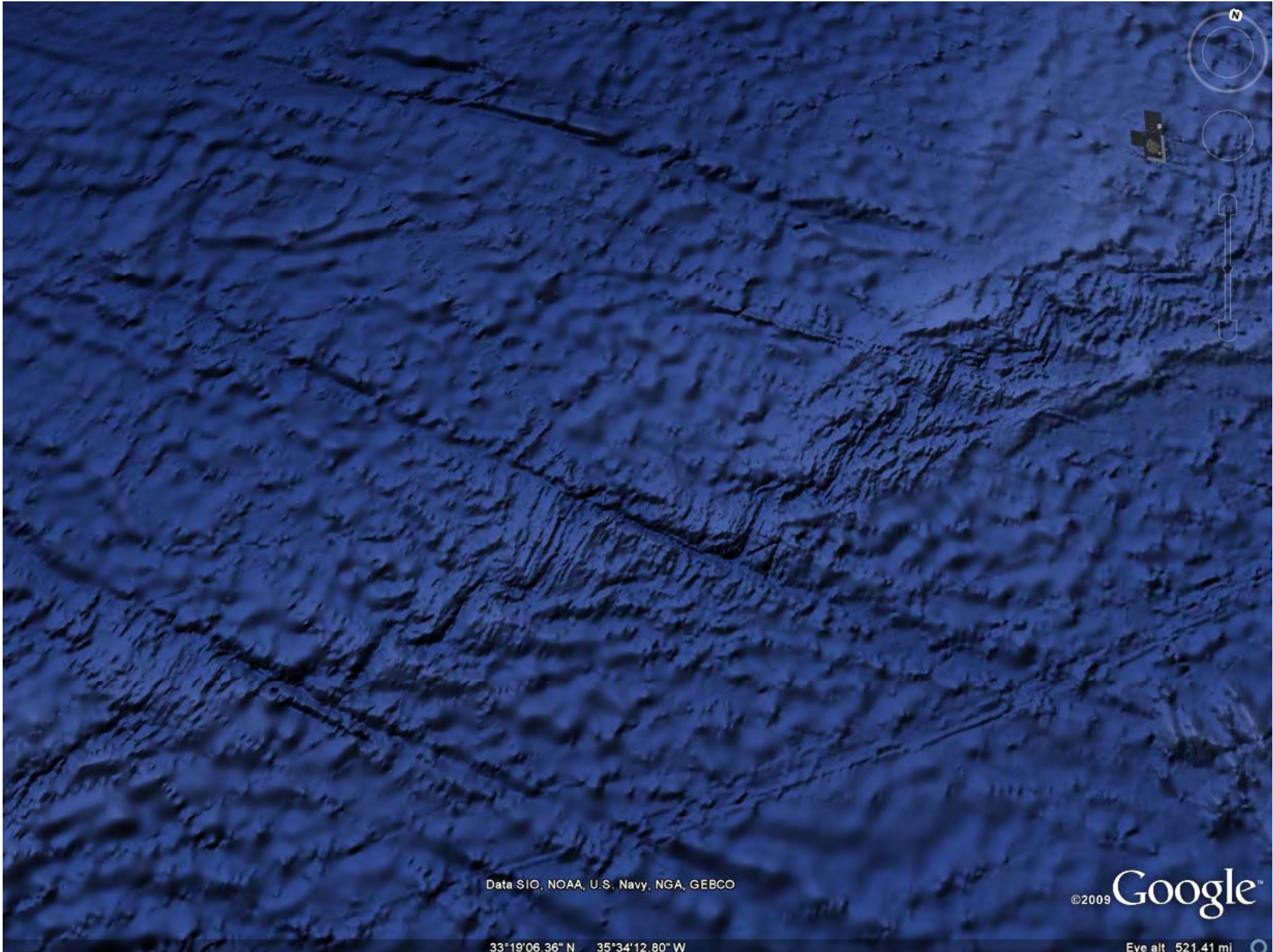


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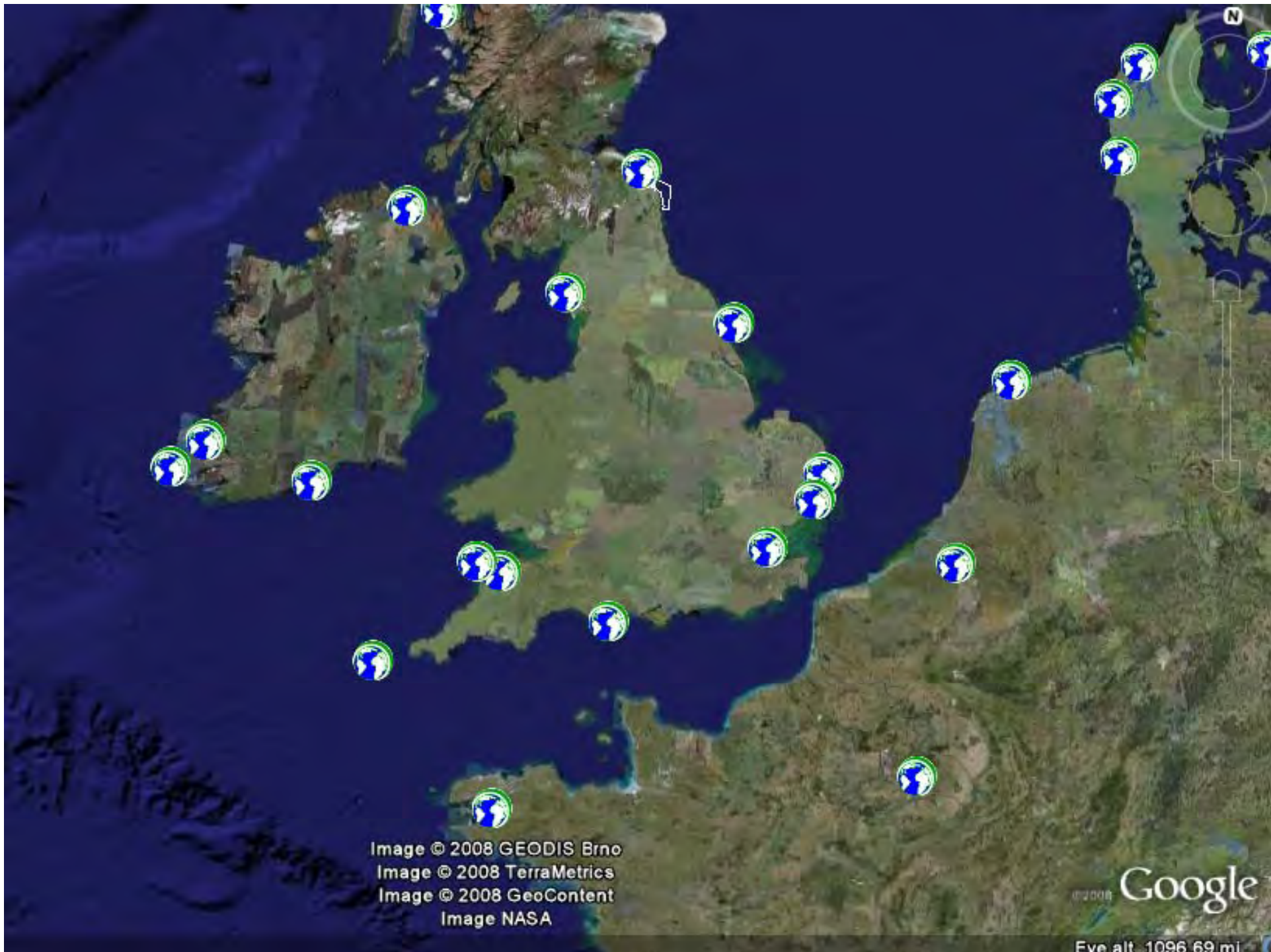
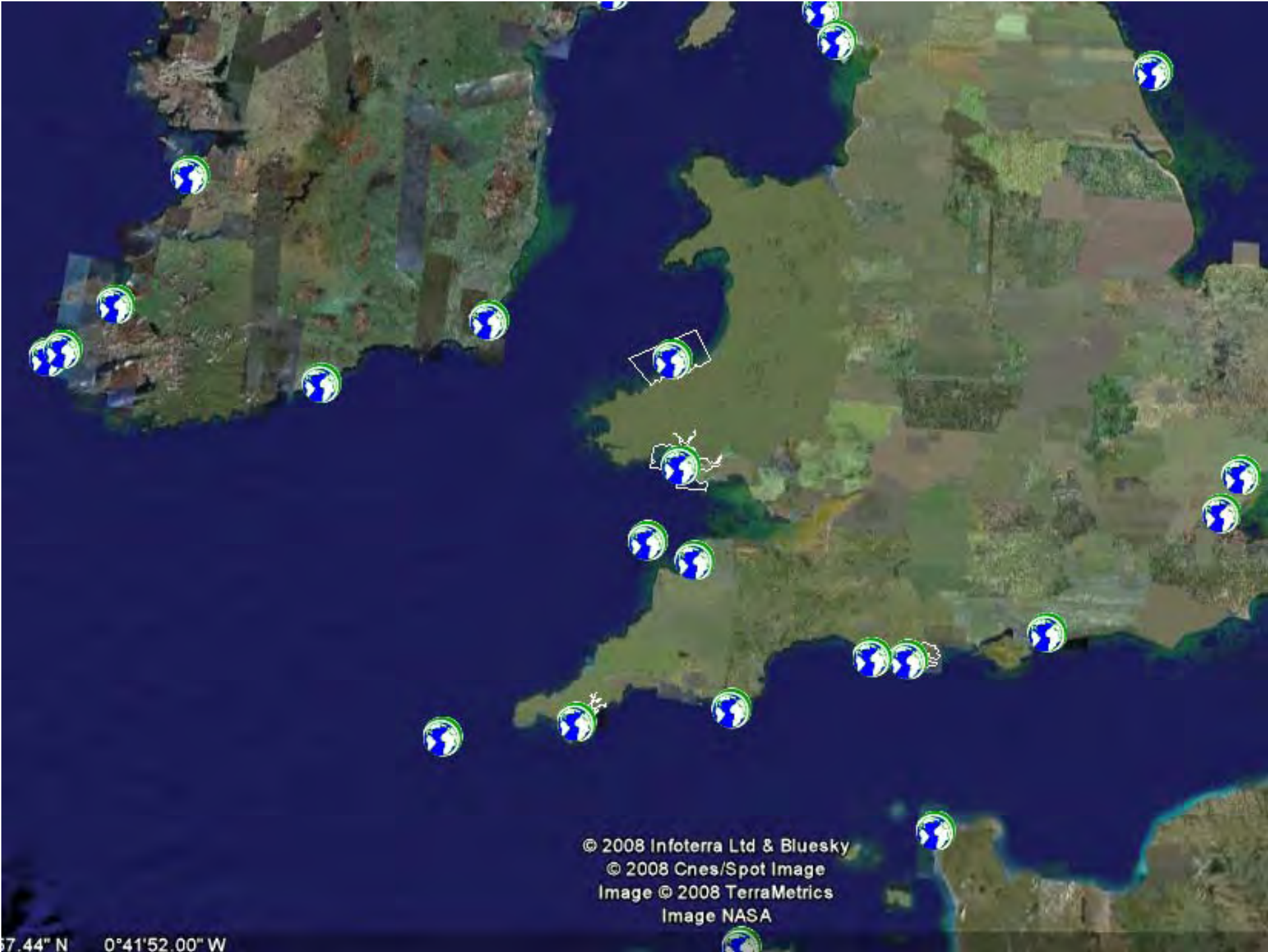


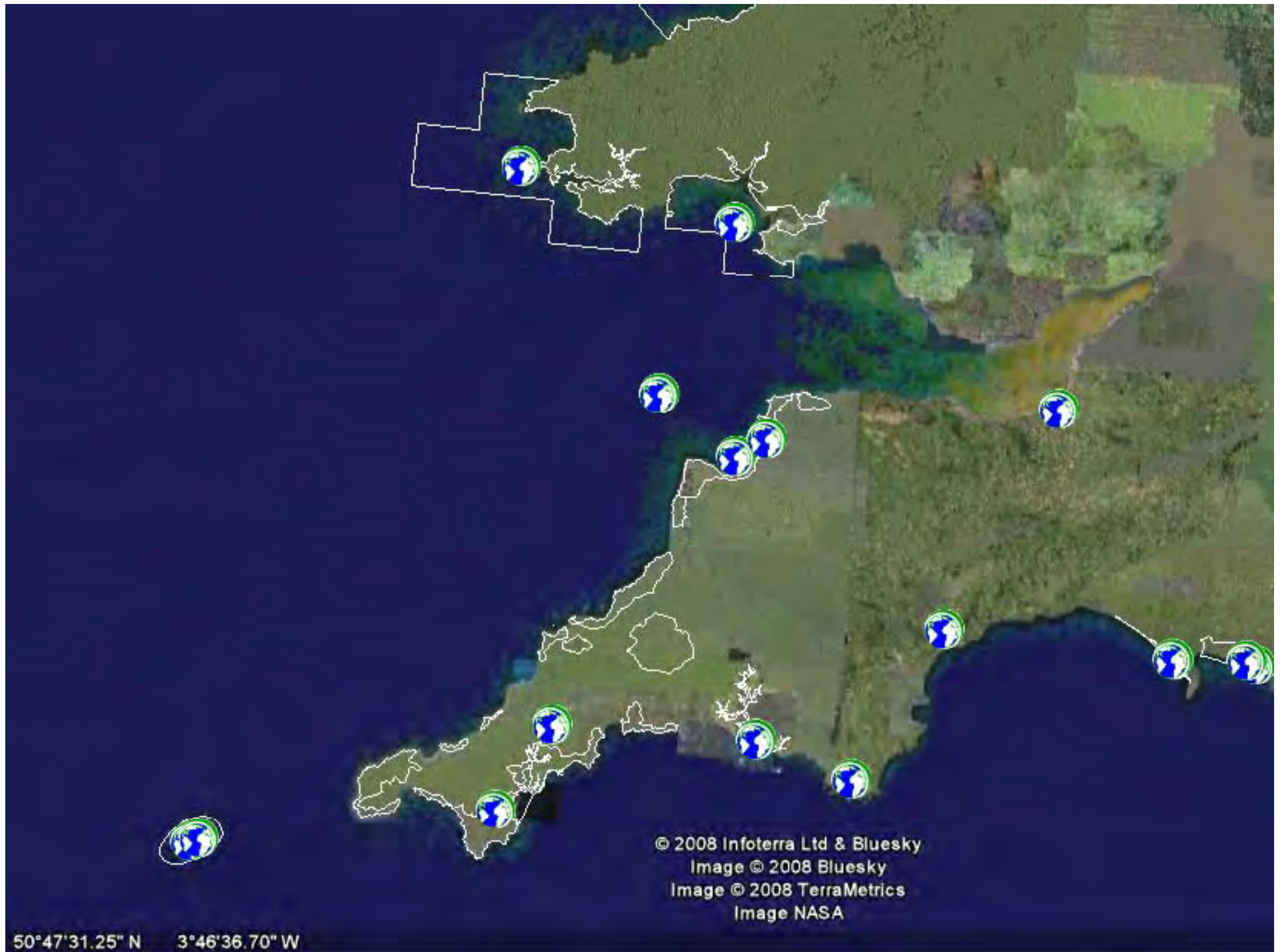
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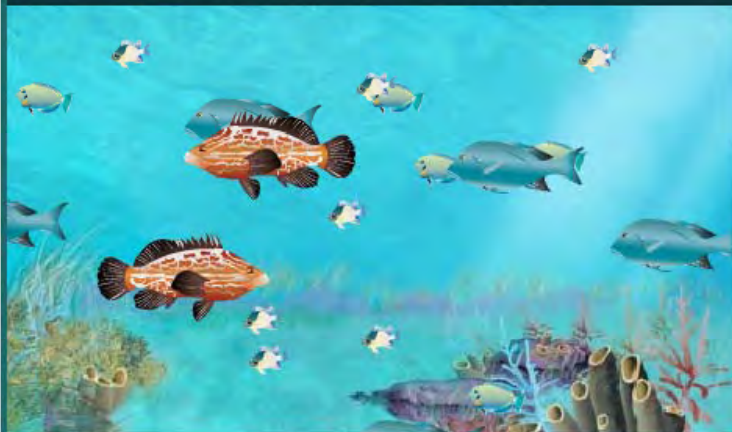
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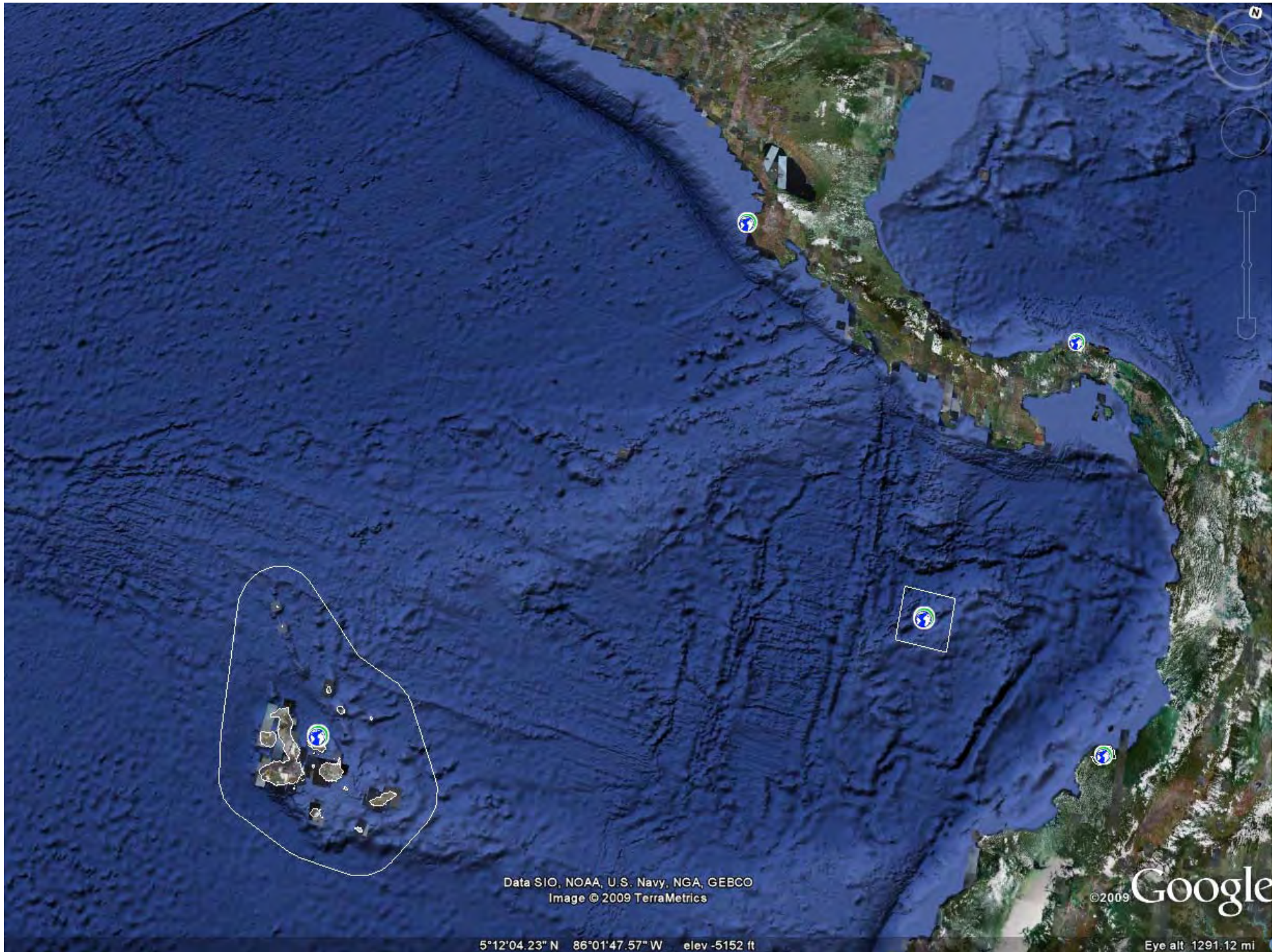
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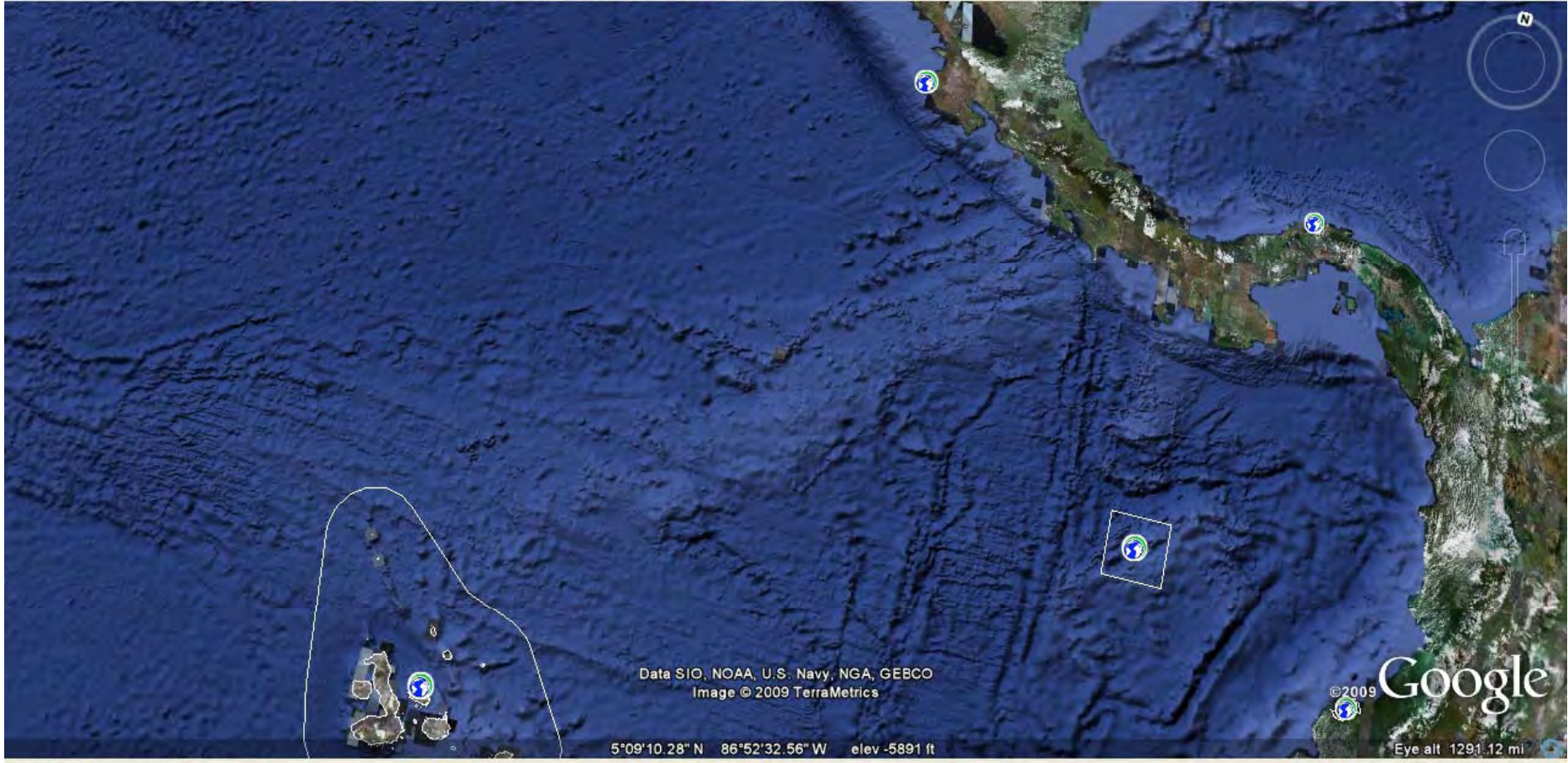
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Location
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Region
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Type
Marine Reserve

Designation Status
Formally designated

Established
1986-05-13

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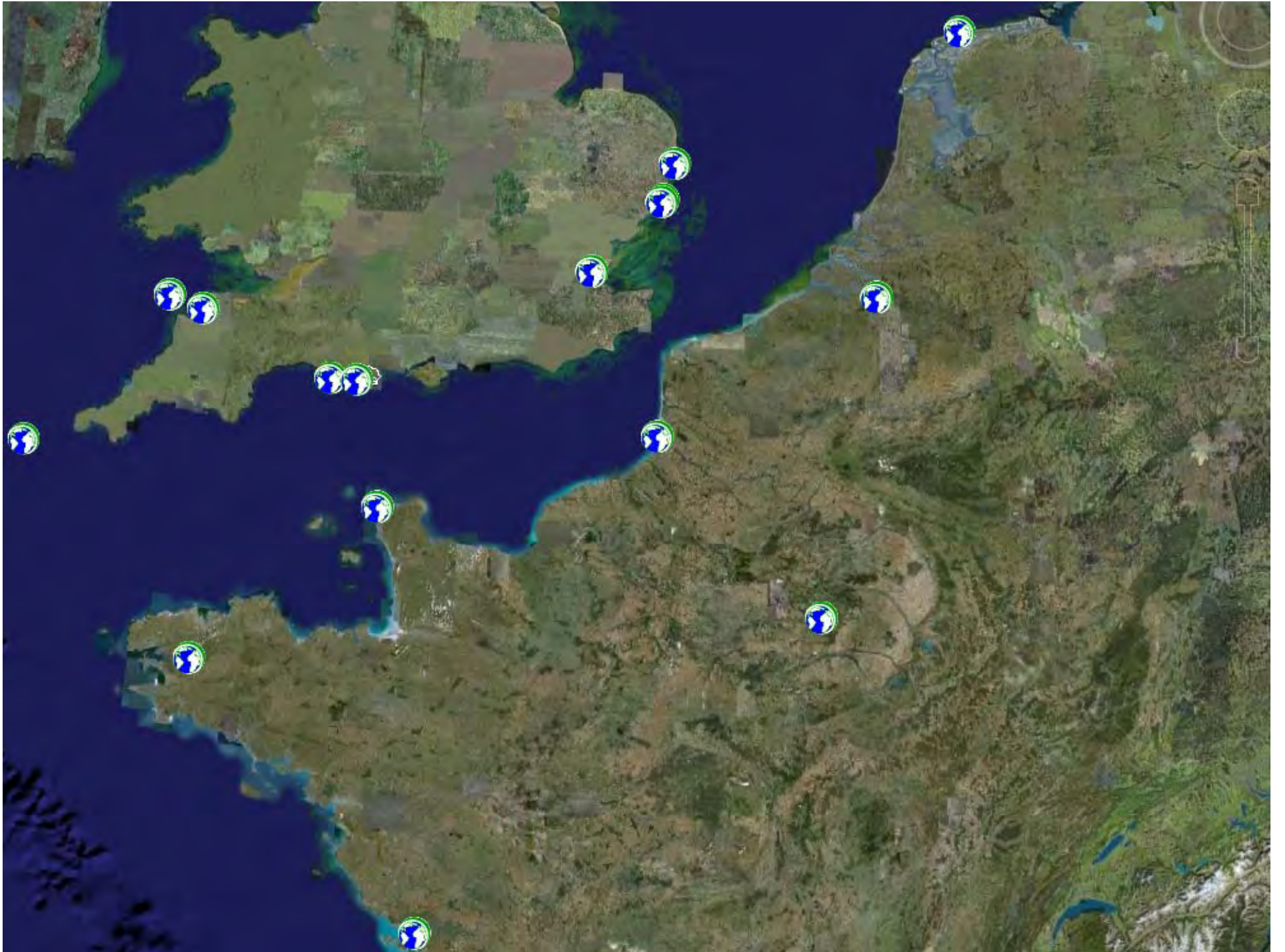
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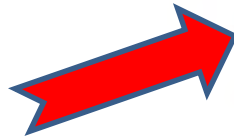
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Regional characteristics



Characteristics of the Red Sea and Gulf of Aden region:

The Red Sea and Gulf of Aden are globally renowned for their great diversity of marine and coastal environments, the number of unique species, and the importance of the marine resources to the continued social and economic development of the region. However, the Red Sea and Gulf of Aden have experienced a pace of development in the coastal zone in the past four decades that is, perhaps, unmatched anywhere in the world. This has been followed by degradation of the marine and coastal environments in some places and a loss of its potential to sustain the livelihood of coastal populations.... [Read More](#)

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Oceans and seas within region

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Area of Ocean in Region: 3.034.000km²



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Success stories and lessons learned from marine reserves

Protecting Ocean Health

Scientific evidence clearly shows that people are causing a decline in the ocean's health. Marine reserves have proved to be an effective way to protect habitats and biodiversity in the ocean. While marine reserves are not a cure-all, they are important for sustaining ocean life and human well-being.



Case Studies of Marine Reserves



At least 45 nations—ranging from small islands to large countries—have established marine reserves in temperate and tropical regions. Scientific studies of at least 124 marine reserves in 29 nations have been published in peer-reviewed journals. [Data from these studies](#) allow reliable conclusions about the effectiveness of marine reserves and provide guidelines for [reserve design](#). Although numerous marine reserves have been established, they cover less than 0.1% of the world's oceans.

Case Studies

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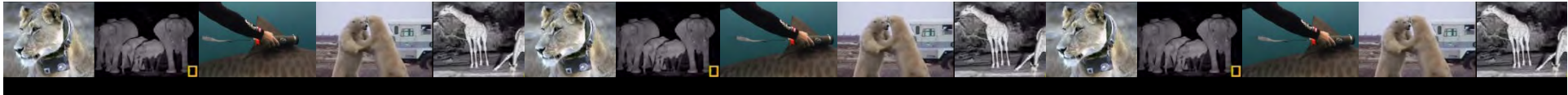
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Belize Barrier Reef Reserve: Glovers Reef Atoll

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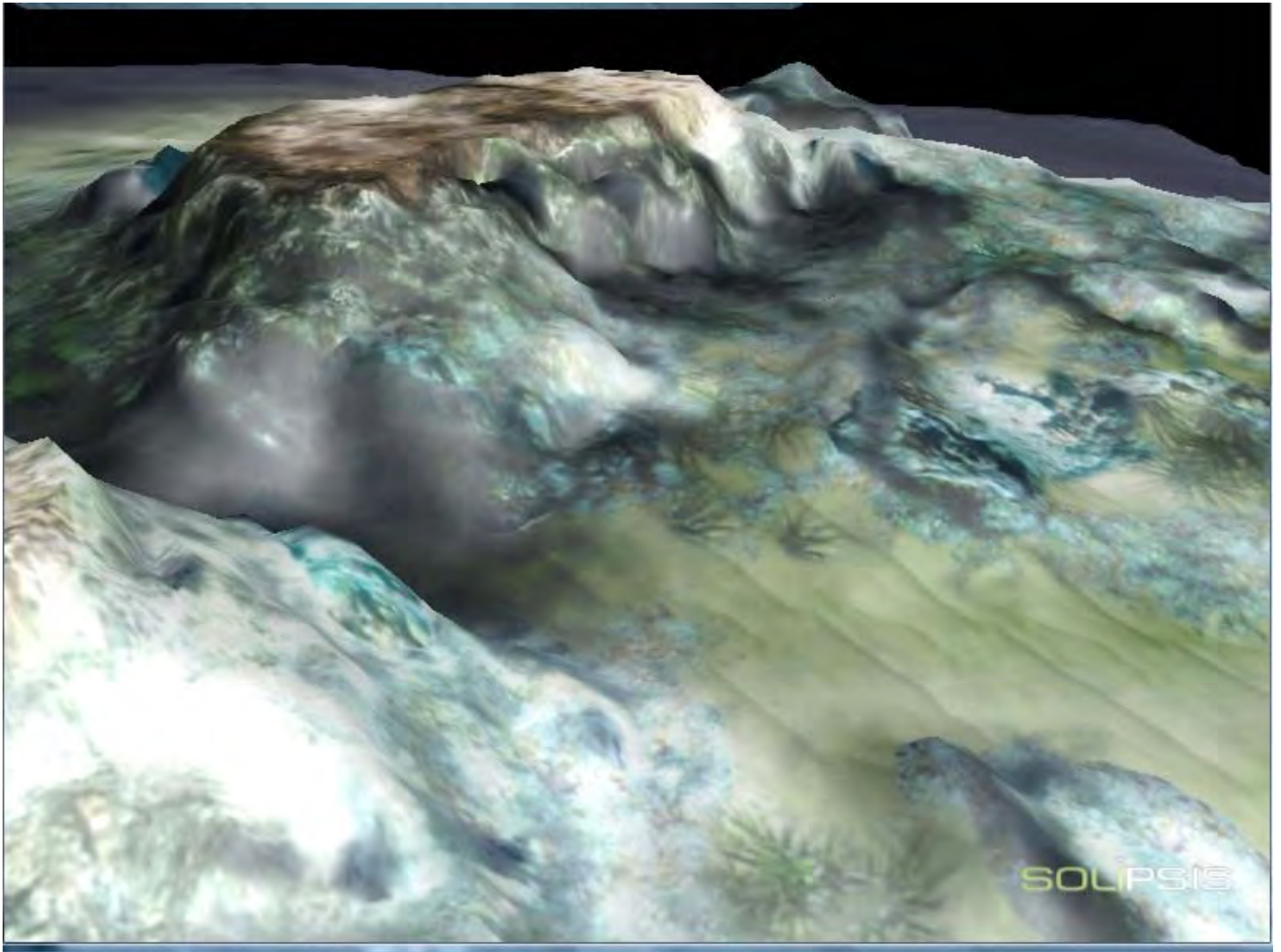


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