









# Climate Linked Atlantic Sector Science CLASS 2018-2023

National Capability Science Single Centre





# **NERC National Capability**

World-leading environmental science supporting national strategic needs

Research & development activities keeping the capability at the cutting edge

Activity directly procured due to a combination of its scale and complexity

NC Science integrates over at least national and decadal time-scales

Search for: NERC National Capability https://nerc.ukri.org/funding/available/nc-funding/



#### CLASS will deliver the knowledge and understanding of the Atlantic Ocean system that society needs to make evidence-based decisions regarding ocean management

**Underpinning Activities** 

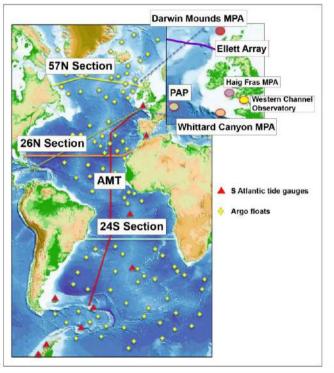
**Science Programme** 

**Engagement and Stakeholders** 



## Sustained Ocean Observations

Multi-decadal records from coast to deep ocean, surface to seafloor



GO-SHIP Hydrographic Sections

ICOS stations and lines

**Marine Protected Areas** 

Surface marine climate data records

**ARGO** 

GLOSS tide gauges

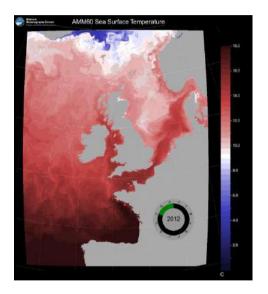


Cruise	Year 1 FY 18/19	Year 2 FY 19/20	Year 3 FY 20/21	Year 4 21/22	Year 5 22/23
GO-SHIP hydrographic sections		5 weeks 26°N February 2020		5 weeks 57°N Summer 2021	
Ellett Array (Rockall Trough)			3 weeks Summer 2020		3 weeks Summer 2022
Marine Protected Area related Fixed Point Observatory		2 weeks Darwin Mounds Summer 2019	4 weeks Whittard Canyon Summer 2020		
Porcupine Abyssal Plain (PAP)	2 weeks Spring 2018	2 weeks Spring 2019	2 weeks Spring 2020	2 weeks Spring 2021	2 weeks Spring 2022
Atlantic Meridional Section (AMT)	5 weeks Autumn 2018	5 weeks Autumn 2019	5 weeks Autumn 2020	5 weeks Autumn 2021	5 weeks Autumn 2022



## Numerical Modelling

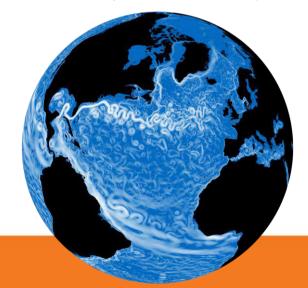
Develop and maintain world-class models of UK shelf & global marine environment

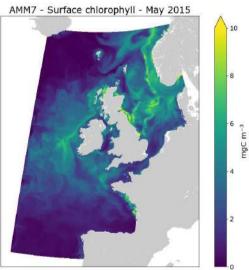


International NEMO runs and development

Ocean components for the UK Met Office Predictive systems
Global ocean to coastal systems

Ecosystem and earth system model development







## **Technology Innovation**

#### Sensors and systems for robotic sensing of the ocean

#### Sensors – for key climate parameters with technology gaps

Methane

pH and Total Alkalinity:

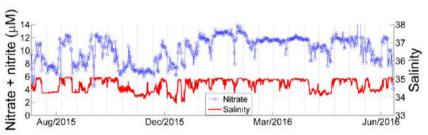
Flow cytometer:

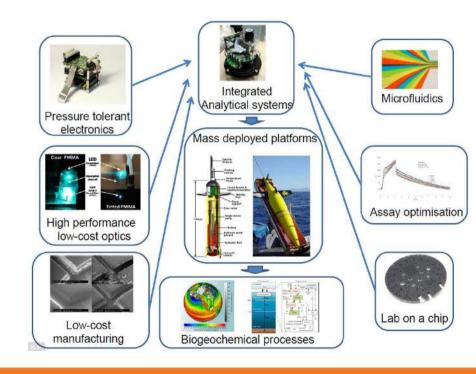
Molecular sampler - eDNA

Micro-CTD on marine mammal tags

#### **Platforms**

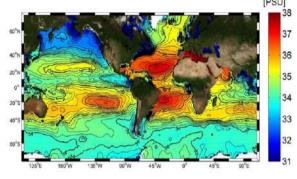
Improved communication
Improved energy harvesting



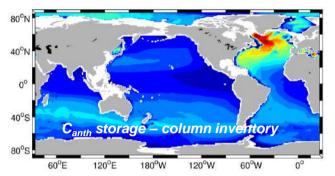




## Understanding the Changing Atlantic Ocean



What is the
current state of
the hydrological
cycle and how
will changes in
cean salinity
impact it into



How physical and biological uptake, transfer and storage of carbon in the deep ocean interact to determine the Atlantic CO<sub>2</sub> sink and how this will this change in the future

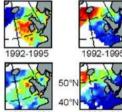
How the natural and anthropogenic drivers of basin and decadal changes are altering the Atlantic ecosystem, and consequences for ecosystem functioning and services



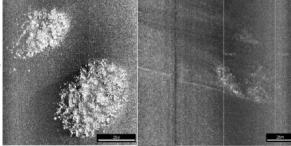








How structure, diversity and productivity of biological communities are changing in response to abrupt or episodic disturbance events compared to natural change





## Academic Engagement





Internships: collaborative projects with CLASS scientists

Collaboration & access to resources: berths on cruises, model output, training



Marine Science Summer School

Workshops and Annual Report Cards















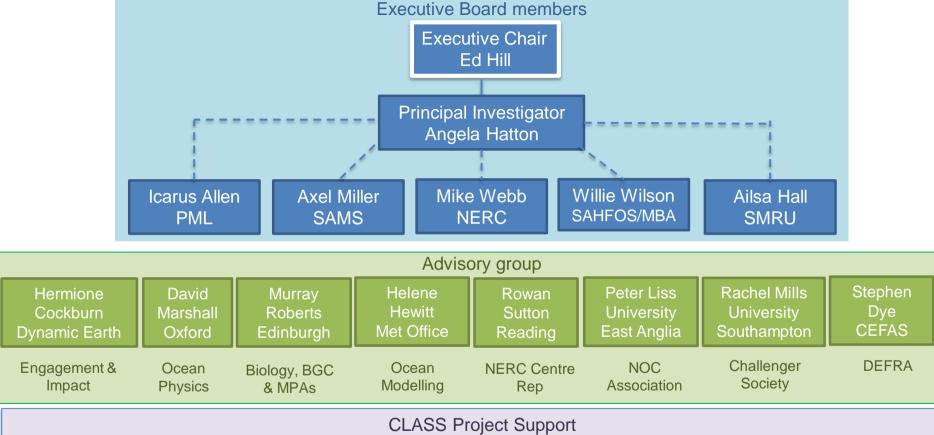
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