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# Controlling factors of the seasonal variability of productivity in the southern Humboldt Current System (30–40°S): A biophysical modeling approach



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ROMS, grid configuration (Vergara et al., 2016)

the study area.

# Light and nutrients co-limitation



#### **General assessments of simulation**

# Surface chlorophyll (mg Chl m<sup>-3</sup>)



# Nutrients (PO4, NO3, SiOH4) y chlorophyll



# **General assessments of simulation**





# **General assessments of simualtion**



**Fig. 5.** Seasonal cycle of (a) Modeled phosphate, (c) nitrate and (e) silicate versus observed values (b, d, f) at Station 18. Units are  $\mu$ mol l<sup>-1</sup>.

# **General assessments of simualtion**



Fig. 6. Iron profiles from model simulations (lines) and BIOSOPE (lines with crosses) measurements (Blain et al., 2008; Bonnet et al., 2008) at three stations (see location in Fig. 1): "offshore" (33.36"S, 78"W; black), "nearshore" (33.8", 73.5"W; red) and "coastal" (34.5"S; 72.4"W; blue) profiles.

# **Surface co-limitation**



Fig. 7. Maps of surface co-limitation fields during Year 10, from January to December between 0–20 m. Colors indicate whether nutrients or light are limiting. Contours (in cm) represent the sea level anomaly.





# Dynamics of nutrients and phytoplankton in central-southern Chile



# **Vertical advection**

30°-32°S	33°-34°S
35°-36°S	37°-38°S

Zonas de "surgencia" Punta Lengua de Vaca (30.24°S) Curaumilla (33.1°S) Punta Nugurne (35.9°S) Punta Lavapié (37.15°S)

# **Horizontal advection**

permanent Signature of mesoscale eddies and jets between 30° and 35°S: while vertical advection brought nutrients to the coastal area, Ekman currents and enhanced offshoreward jets near 32°S, 33°S, 34°S transported part of the high coastal nutrient load offshore thus partly compensating for the vertical input associated with coastal upwelling.

#### **Total advection**

Total positive advection predominated in the study area, with highest values ( $\sim$  3–5 10–6  $\mu$ M Si s-1) at  $\sim$ 32°, 36° and 37°S.

# **Vertical mixing**

The input of nutrients through vertical mixing was positive everywhere, mainly between 30°S and 36°S.



**Fig. 11.** Annual cycle of silicate transport terms within (a) a coastal band of 100 km, and (b) an offshore band of 100 km. Vertical advection (black), horizontal advection (red), total advection (yellow), vertical mixing (green), physical trend (blue), total trend (purple), biological trend (cyan). Surface chlorophyll (in mg Chl-a m<sup>-3</sup>) is also shown (green dashed line). All fields are averaged between 0–20 m and  $31^{\circ} - 37^{\circ}$ S.



**Figura 1:** Modelo conceptual propuesto para el desarrollo a largo plazo del modelo operacional Sur-Austral, MOSA, el cual incluye todos los elementos contemplados en etapas futuras de desarrollo.

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# **MOSA-ROMS**

Horizontal resolution = 1km

Boundary conditions = Mercator-Ocean

Initial condition = From the forecast generated the previous day.

Atmospheric forcing = 5 km MOSA-WRF.

Fresh water forcing = Point sources, flows from hydrological models and DGA.

Bathymetry = SHOA + GEBCO

Vertical levels = 42 sigma levels.



Figura 3: Batimetría del modelo operacional MOSA-ROMS interpolada desde datos GEBCO y cartas náuticas digitales del SHOA

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3.5 Metodología objetivo específico 5: Diagnosticar y diseñar un modelo biogeoquímico (BGQ) climatológico en el mar interior de Chiloé.

#### Modelo NPZD









Los parámetros recopilados para las costas de Chile son los siguientes:

- 1. Máxima tasa de pastoreo del zooplancton (Bottjer y Morales, 2005).
- 2. Tasa de remineralización de carbono orgánico disuelto (Pantoja et al., 2004).
- Tasa de remineralización del carbono orgánico particulado (Pantoja et al., 2006; Cuevas et al., 2004).
- 4. Tasa de exudación del mesozooplancton (Pérez-Aragón et al., 2011).
- 5. Tasa de mortalidad del zooplancton (Yáñez et al., 2012).
- 6. Tasa de nitrificación (Fernández y Farías., 2012).
- 7. Tasa de excreción de materia orgánica disuelta (González et al., 2007).

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# **MOSA-PISCES:** boundary conditions: WOA-PISCES



# **MOSA-PISCES: Results**



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#### **MOSA-PISCES - validation**





#### **MOSA-PISCES - Climatology**



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Experiment S01: Modification of parameters in the "namelist\_pisces" to increase the concentration of chlorophyll and nitrate and decrease the concentration of oxygen.

The modified parameters are found in the nanophytoplankton, diatom, microzooplankton, mesozooplankton, nitrate, and oxygen equations, which are described in detail in Aumont et al. (2015).

Actual value	Parameter in namelis	New value	Modification percentage	Relative to original namelist
4	grazrat	3	25%	Decreases
0.7	grazrat2	0.525	25%	Decreases
0.1	excret	0.05	50%	Decreases
0.1	excret 2	0.05	50%	Decreases
0.01	wchl	0.0075	25%	Decreases
0.02	wchld	0.015	25%	Decreases
0.03	mprat	0.015	50%	Decreases
0.03	mprat2	0.015	50%	Decreases
0.025	nitrif	0.05	100%	Increases
0.153	xremik	0.306	100%	Increases
1.2	xremip	0.24	80%	Decreases
0.004	mzrat	0.006	50%	Increases
0.012	mzrat2	0.024	100%	Increases

Experiment S02: Rivers nutrients concentration were increased by 50% this to increasing their flow towards Mar interior de Chiloé and surrounding areas.

Experiment S03: Through this experiment, the concentration of oxygen in the north boundary was reduced by 50%, to observe a reduced concentration in the south

#### **MOSA-PISCES Results- sensivity experiments**



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