

# Metal speciation and ligand production

#### **Kristen Buck**



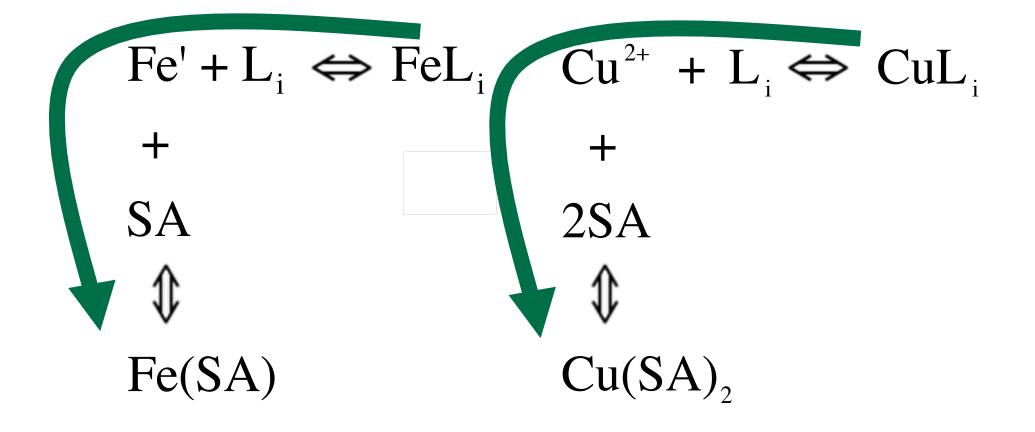


#### Organic complexation by CLE-AdCSV

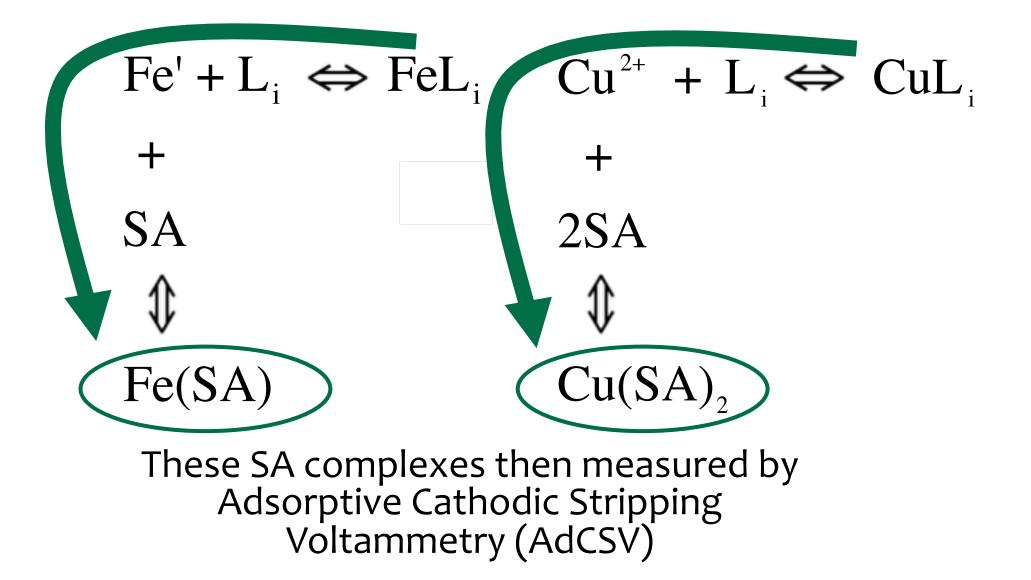
#### $Fe' + L_i \Leftrightarrow FeL_i \quad Cu^{2+} + L_i \Leftrightarrow CuL_i$

*Fe: Rue and Bruland 1995, Abualhaija and van den Berg 2014; Cu: Campos and van den Berg 1994* 

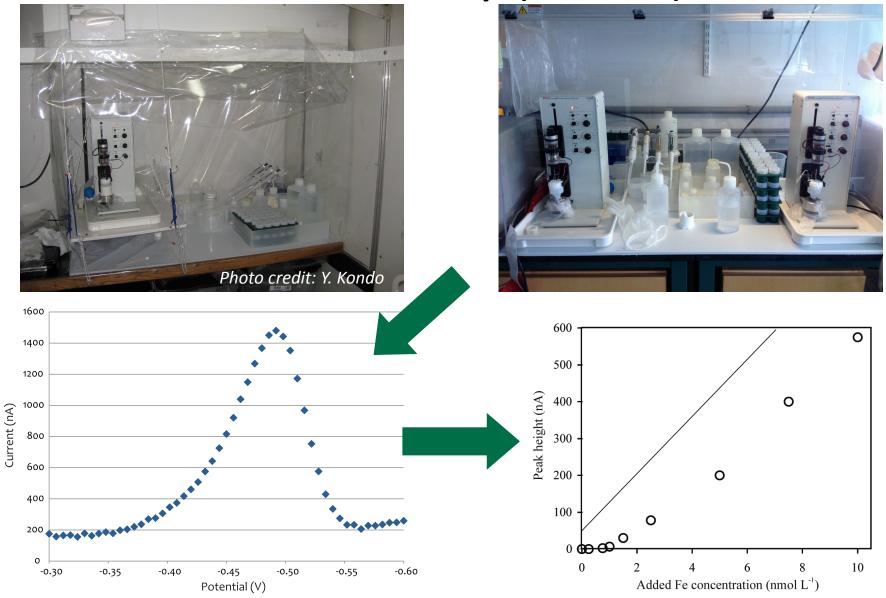
#### **CLE: Competitive Ligand Exchange**

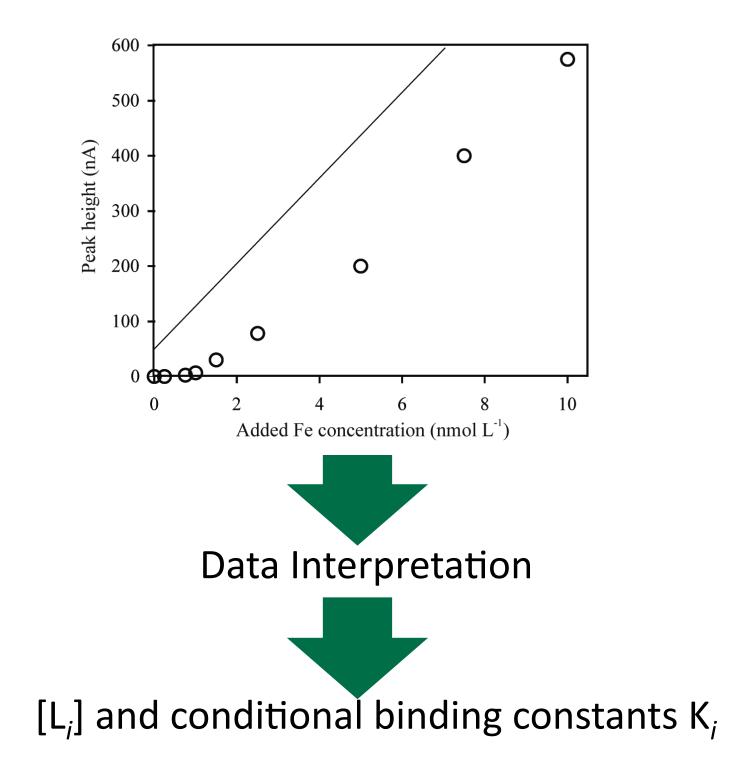


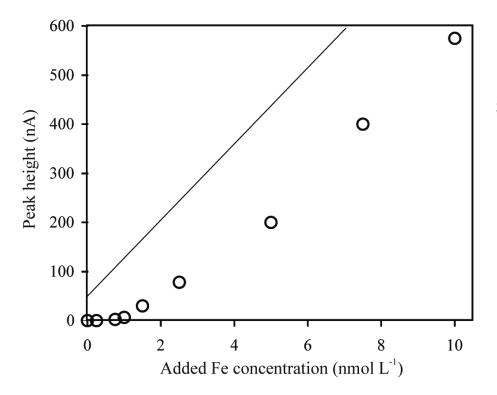
#### **CLE: Competitive Ligand Exchange**



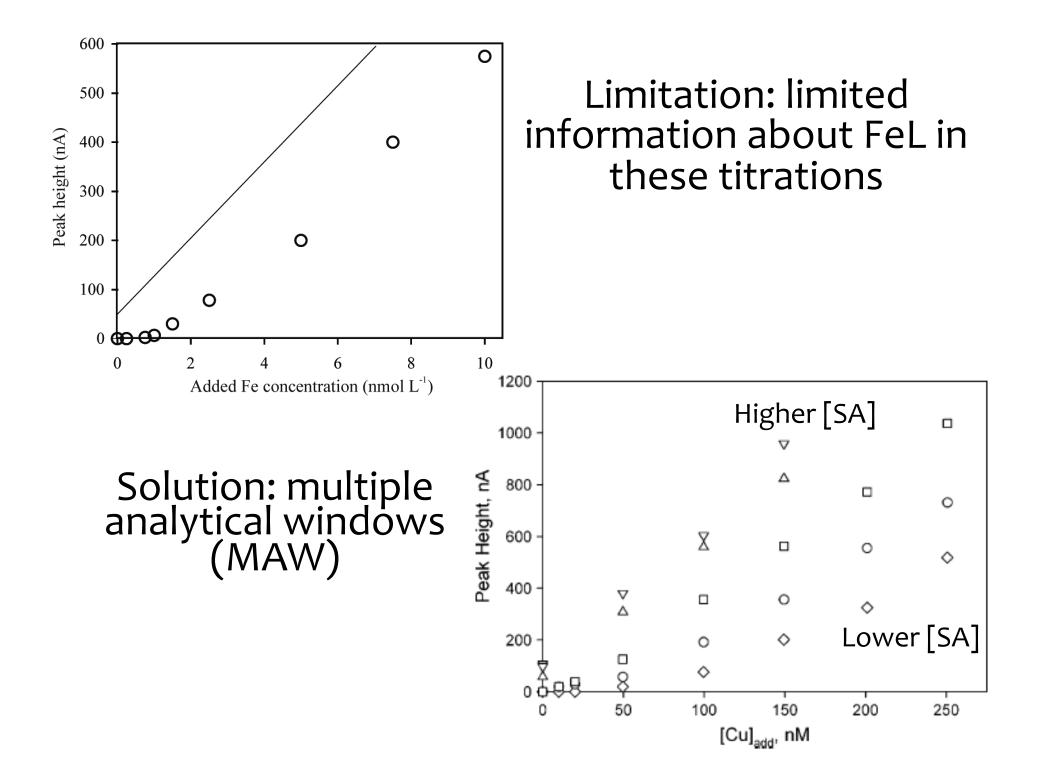
#### Adsorptive Cathodic Stripping Voltammetry (AdCSV)





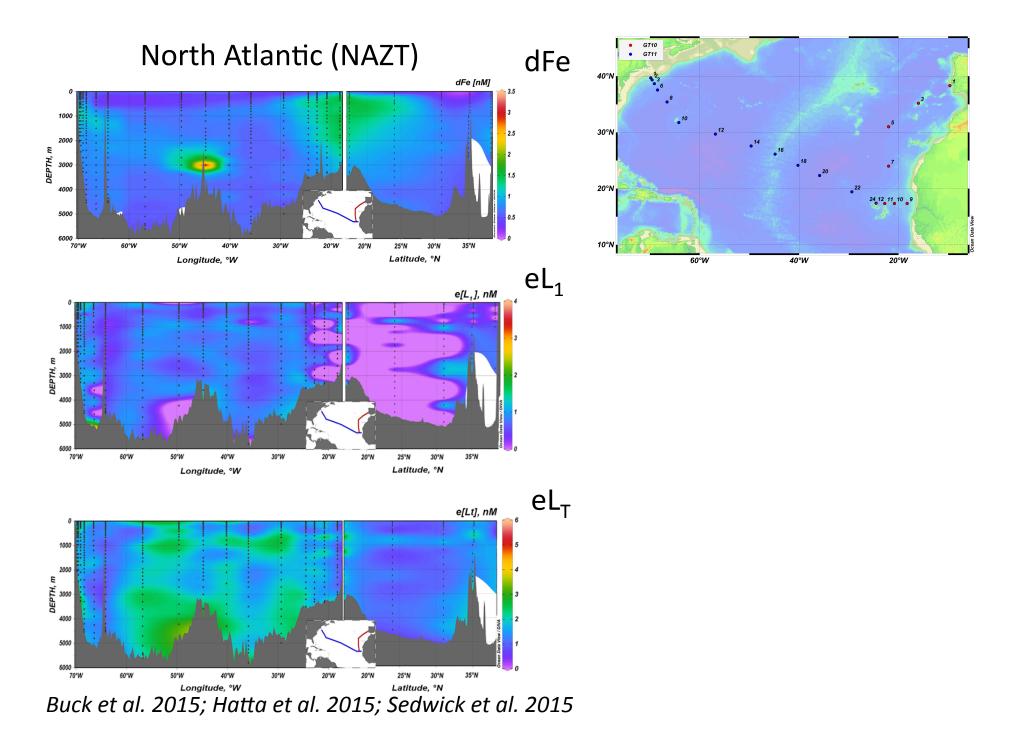


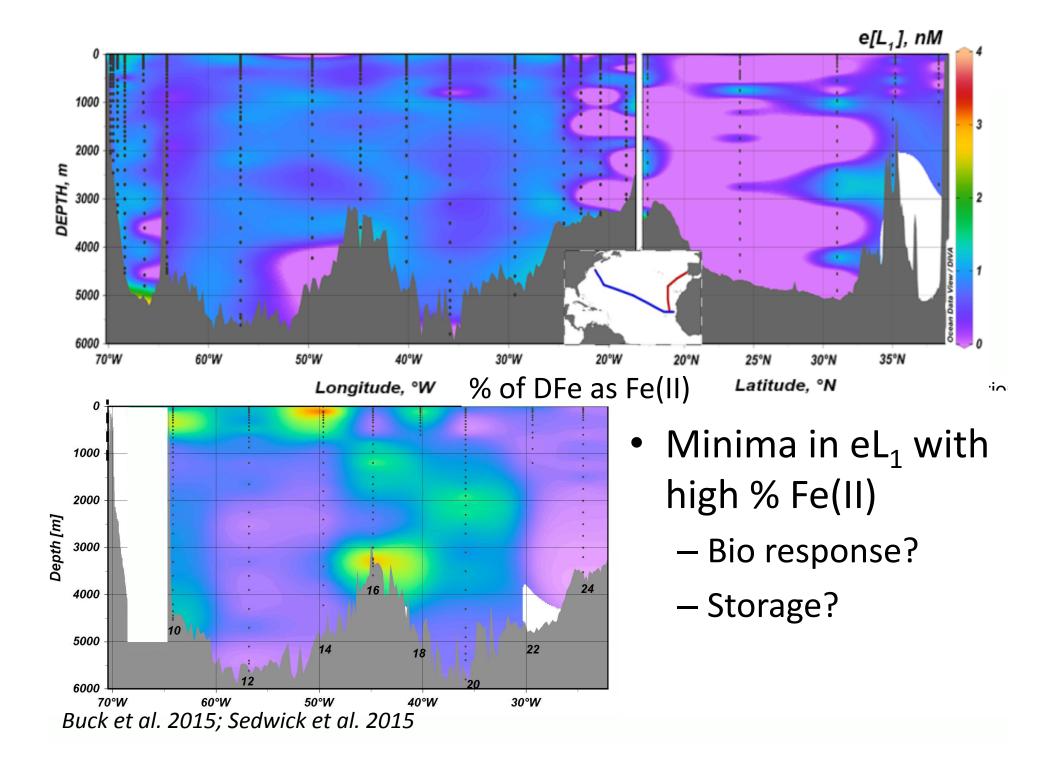
#### Limitation: limited information about FeL in these titrations

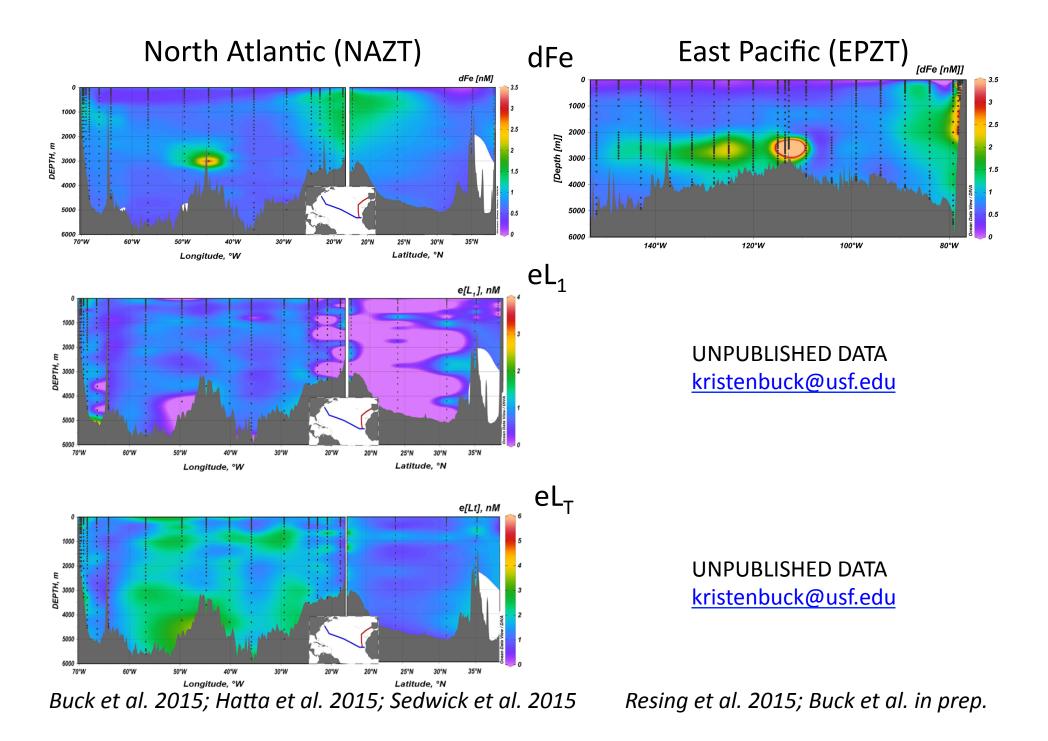


#### **Relevant Background**

- Organic complexation is critical in Fe cycling
  - Inorganic Fe solubility is low
  - Dynamic ligands required to model global Fe cycle
- The strongest ligands exert greatest influence
  These bind ambient Fe, Cu (bioavailability, solubility)
- Excess strong ligands (i.e., eL<sub>1</sub>) drive Fe cycling
  Best candidate = siderophores









UNPUBLISHED DATA kristenbuck@usf.edu

DOC

Craig Carlson, UCSB

UNPUBLISHED DATA carlson@lifesci.ucsb.edu

 $eL_T$ 

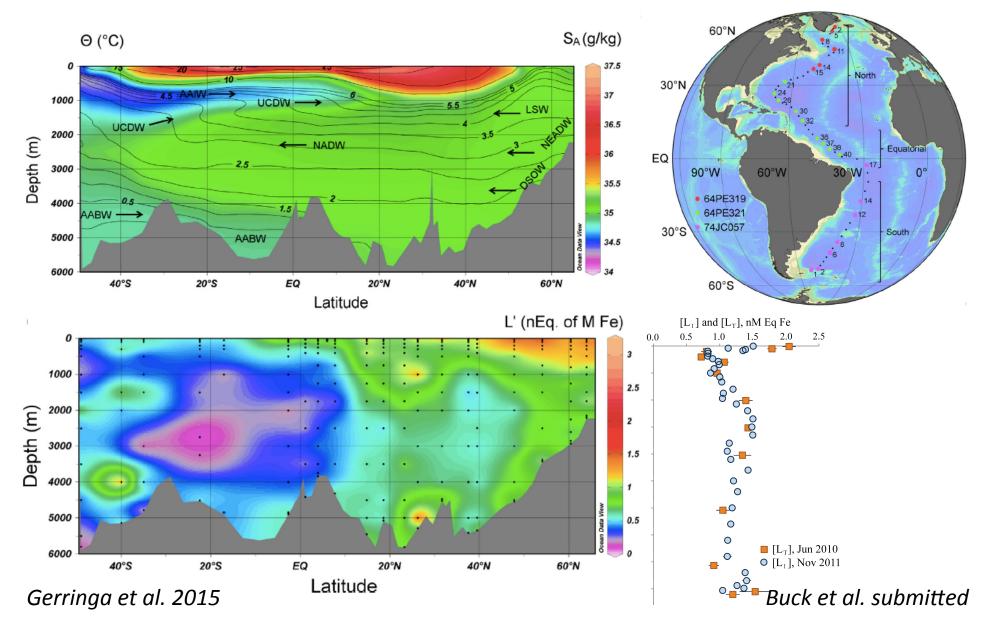
UNPUBLISHED DATA kristenbuck@usf.edu

#### EPZT Water Mass Analysis: Brian Peters, Karen Casciotti

UNPUBLISHED DATA kristenbuck@usf.edu

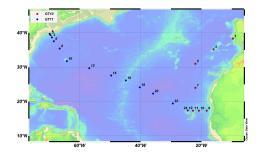
- Pacific Deep Water
  - Oldest water mass
  - Minima in  $eL_1$ ,  $eL_T$

#### Dutch GEOTRACES, W Atlantic

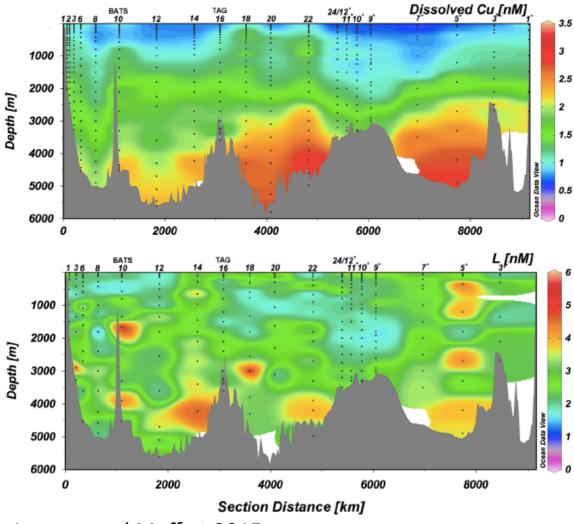


### How to explain trends in eL<sub>1</sub>

- Water mass dilution
- Ligand saturation by trace metals
  - Is DFe increasing, converting eL<sub>1</sub> to FeL- no?; saturation with other TMs?
- Bacterial degradation of L<sub>1</sub>
  - Who eats L<sub>1</sub>? Bioavailability of siderophores?
- Abiotic scavenging of eL<sub>1</sub>
  - Are particles a source of ligands or a sink?
  - More evidence for FeL scavenging than eL<sub>1</sub>?



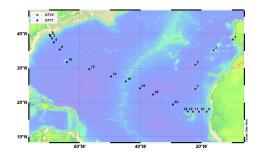
#### **Copper speciation**



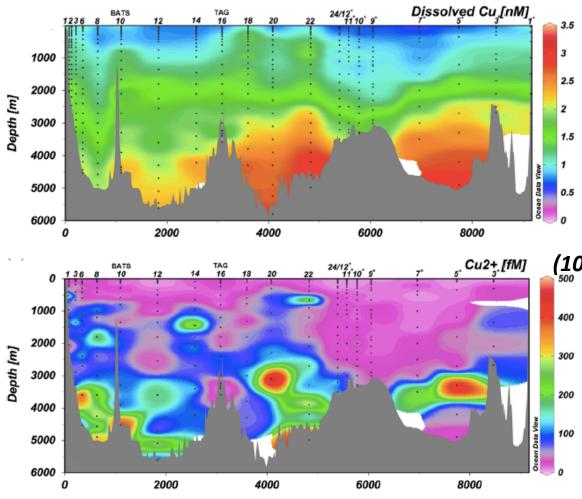
Dissolved Cu concentrations: Increase with depth

Cu-binding ligands relatively uniform with depth

Jacquot and Moffett 2015



#### **Copper speciation**

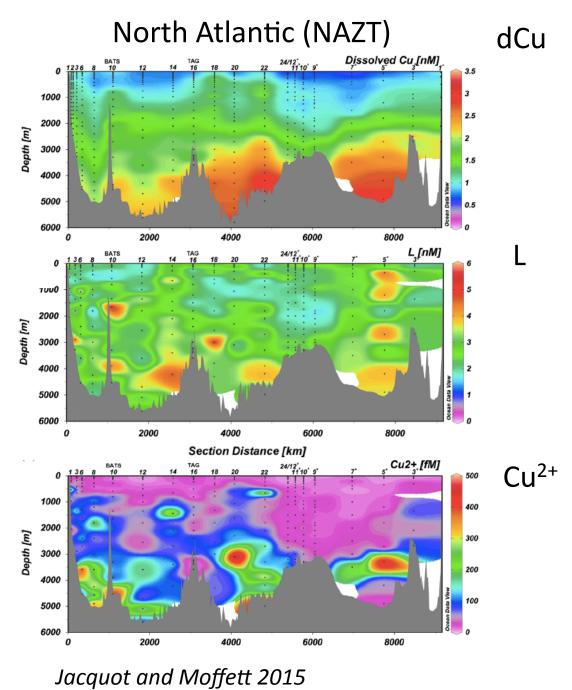


Jacquot and Moffett 2015

- **Dissolved** Cu
- concentrations:
- Increase with depth

#### (10<sup>-12.3</sup> M)

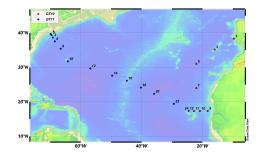
- Cu-binding ligands relatively uniform with depth
  - = Low excess L at depth, higher Cu<sup>2+</sup>



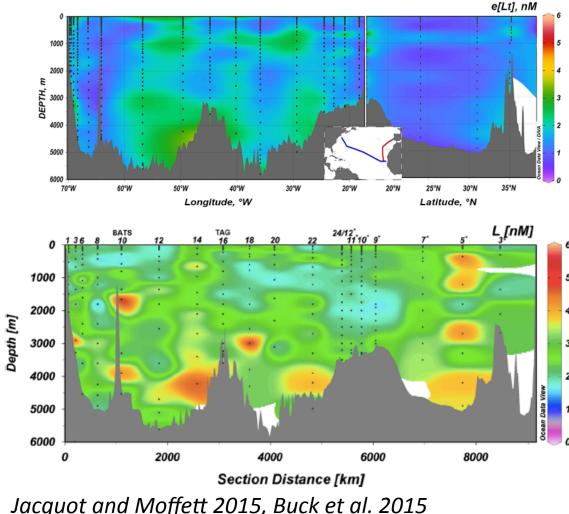
#### East Pacific (EPZT)



Angel Ruacho, Kathy Barbeau, unpubl.



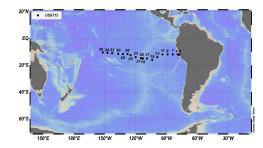
### Overlap in Fe and Cu ligands



## Excess Fe-binding ligand concentrations

<sup>2</sup> Cu-binding ligand <sup>3</sup> concentrations

=> Some eL<sub>Fe</sub> binds Fe and Cu; L<sub>2</sub> for Fe



### Overlap in Fe and Cu ligands

UNPUBLISHED DATA aruacho@ucsd.edu kbarbeau@ucsd.edu kristenbuck@usf.edu Excess Fe-binding ligand concentrations

Cu-binding ligand concentrations

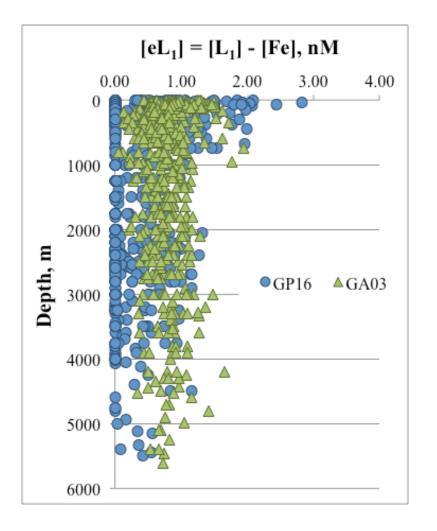
=> Some eL<sub>Fe</sub> binds Fe and Cu; L<sub>2</sub> for Fe

Kristen Buck, Angel Ruacho, Kathy Barbeau, unpubl.

#### From GEOTRACES Surveys:

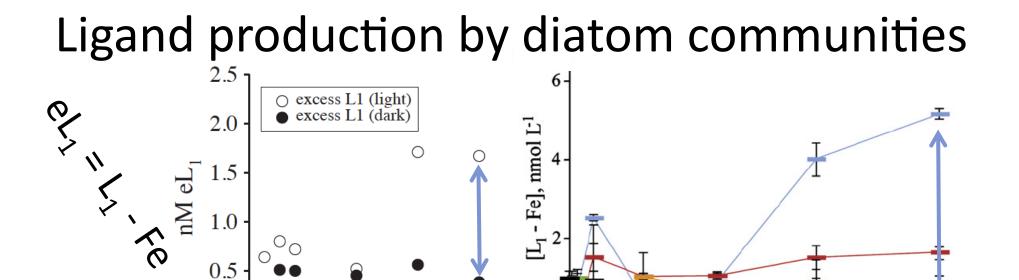
- Fe-binding ligands in excess of [Fe]
- Apparent loss of excess in strongest Fe ligand class between basins, along water masses, but gain in excess weaker ligands; higher Cu, L and Cu<sup>2+</sup> in EPZT deep waters compared to NAZT
- Some of these ligands, especially L<sub>2</sub>-type at depth, bind both Fe and Cu

#### eL<sub>1</sub> trends: ligand production or release?



- Highest eL<sub>1</sub> in upper water column of Pacific
- Local maxima in eL<sub>1</sub> in AAIW of Atlantic and Pacific sections; also "Green Belt" in Bering Sea

Buck and Bruland 2007; Buck et al. 2015; Buck unpubl.



5 6

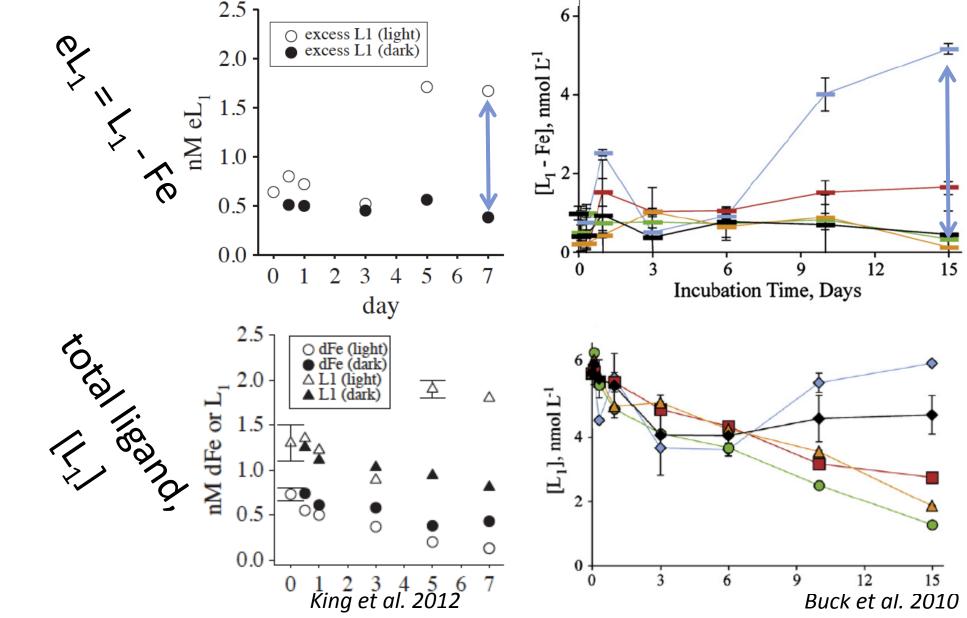
King et al. 2012

0.0

day

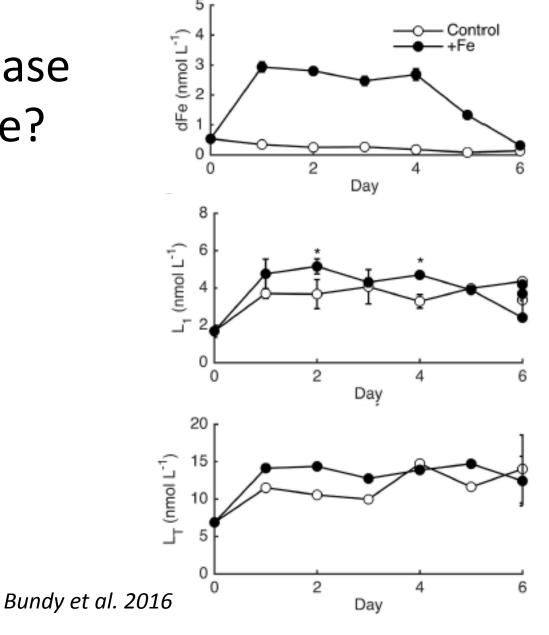
Incubation Time, Days

### Ligand production by diatom communities



#### Ligand production by diatom communities





### Moving Forward

- What is FeL? Is all DFe organically complexed?
  - Inert (to CLE-AdCSV) Fe phases, Biogenic Fe
  - Do diatoms produce  $L_1$  and/or is it bacteria? Trigger?
  - What happens to L with FeL acquisition?
- Where does the free ion model apply?
  - Contributions of Fe' vs. FeL
  - Toxicity vs. limitation modes of Cu bioavailability
  - Is there meaningful Cu(I) in the (surface) ocean?
- Ligand class distinctions; do weaker L matter?
- What leads to eL<sub>1</sub> loss?

#### The End