Argo: *global, full-depth, and multidisciplinary*

The Argo Steering Team made some important changes this spring.

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Argo is **one program** with mission areas of:

- Core (2000m depth)
- Deep (6000m depth)
- BGC (≥ 4 BGC sensors)

Next Steps:

- OOMD will focus on a unified approach in implementing each area, including growing the Deep and BGC missions.
- OOMD has taken steps to grow the full program, specifically BGC
Developments in the Argo BGC Mission Area

New and leveraged funding: $4.2 M

- **$2.2 M** (new) from OAR Oceans Portfolio for building capacity at labs and 2 regional pilot studies:
  - 5 floats in California Current
  - 3 floats in Bermuda Atlantic Time Series

- **$2 M** ($1 M leveraged) for NOPP projects to improve BGC float technology
  - 13-21 floats in Tropical Pacific
• Second Report released in May 2019
  • Builds off of the First Report, does not replace it

• Details recommendations for the backbone observing system that is evidence based and requirements driven
  • Operational forecasting agencies surveyed
  • Meteorological and oceanographic considerations

• Other Report topics of interest:
  • Pathway for transitioning technology
  • Biogeochemical and ecosystem needs
  • Future governance of system

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OOMD strategic plan 2020-2025
community workshop to receive input from the community

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