

US Biogeochemical-Argo Subcommittee

An OCB topical subcommittee focused on [Biogeochemical Argo](#)

Objective: This committee will serve as a focal point for US community input on the implementation of the global biogeochemical float array and associated science program development. This committee will also engage with and provide US input to the International Biogeochemical-Argo steering committee.

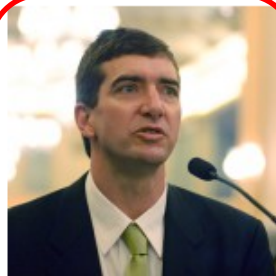




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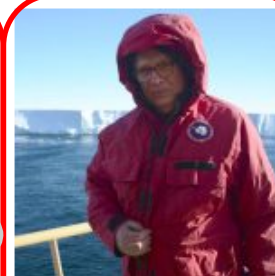
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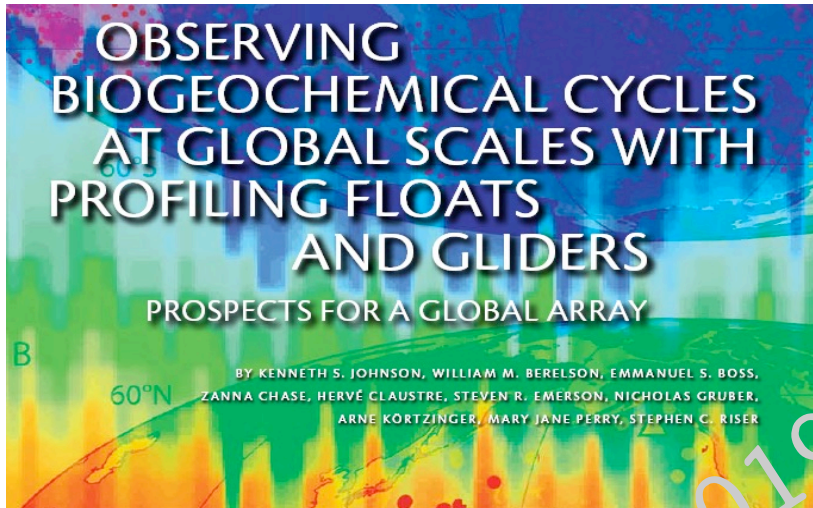
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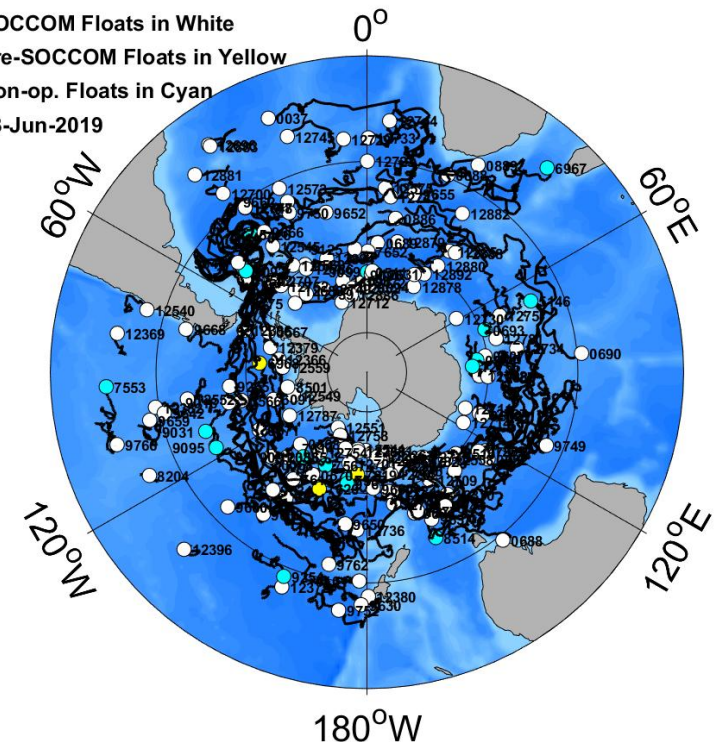
US Ocean Carbon & Biogeochemistry Scoping Workshop

28-30 April 2009, Moss Landing, USA

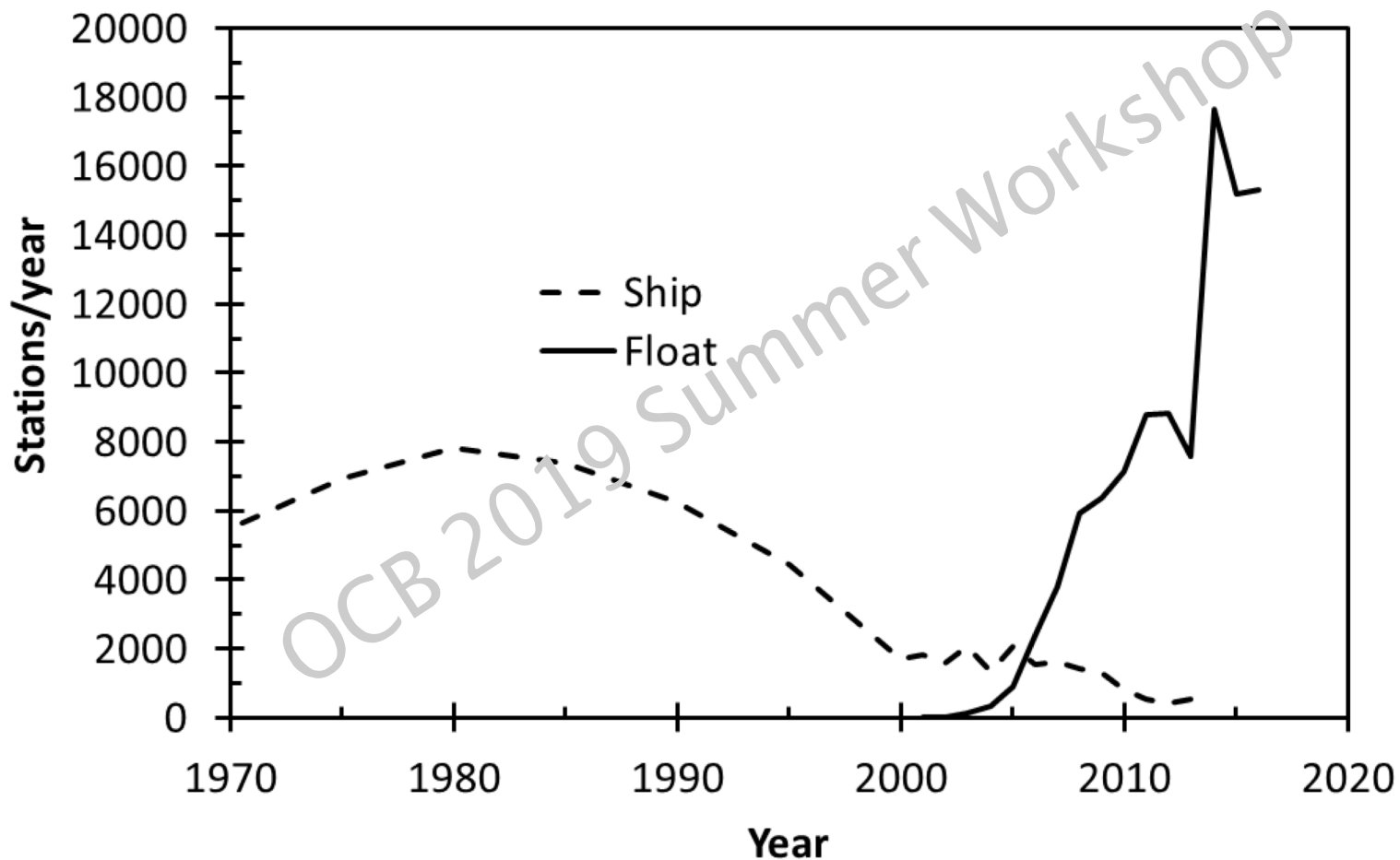


SOCCOM

SOCCOM Floats in White
Pre-SOCCOM Floats in Yellow
Non-op. Floats in Cyan
23-Jun-2019



Oxygen profiles to $Z > 900$ m (thru OMZ) from ships
(World Ocean Atlas 2013) and floats (Argo GDAC)



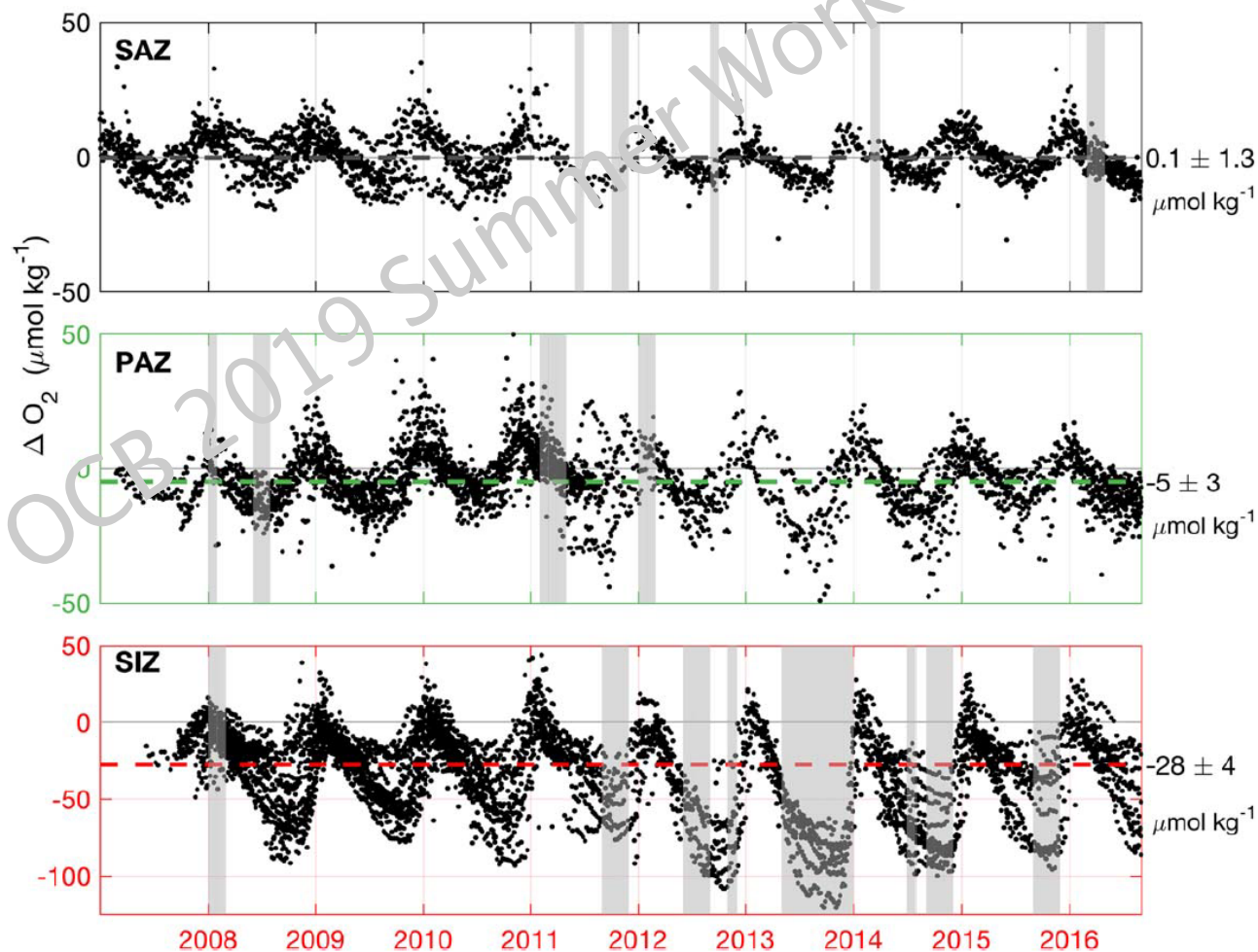
RESEARCH ARTICLE

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Oxygen in the Southern Ocean From Argo Floats: Determination of Processes Driving Air-Sea Fluxes

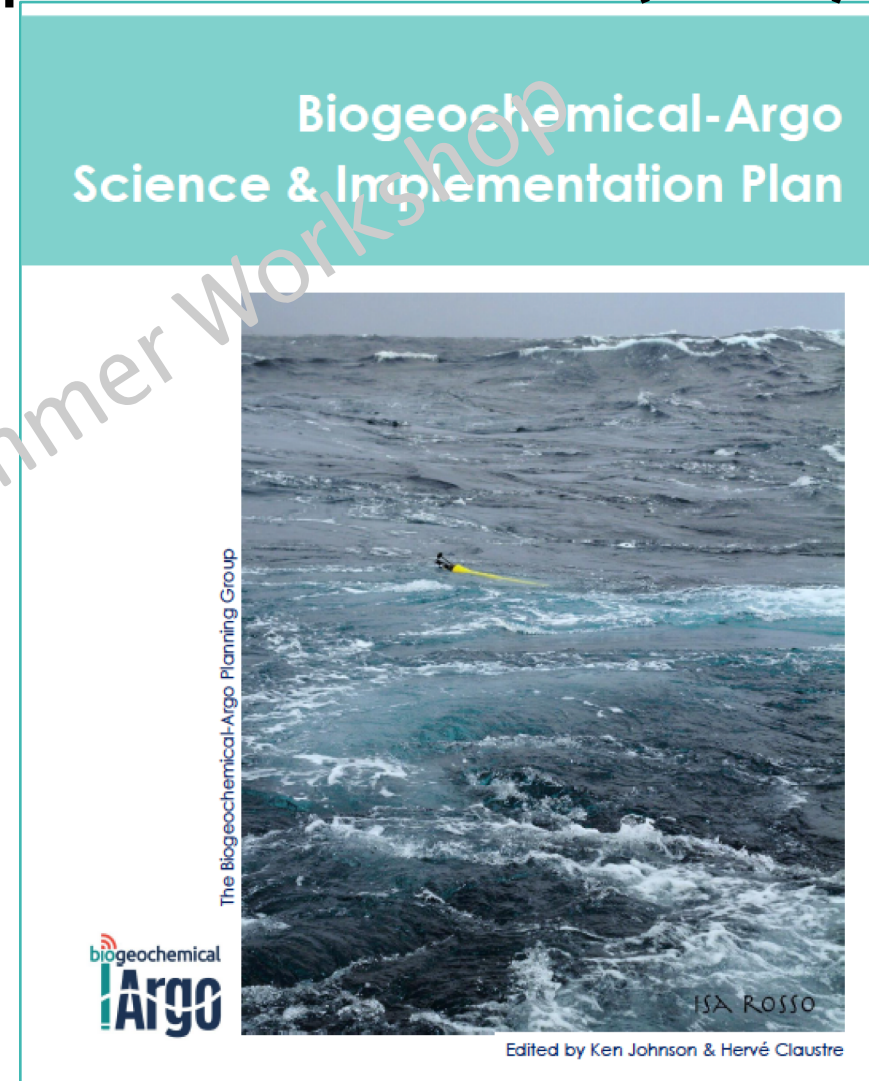
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The Biogeochemical-Argo Implementation Plan (2016)

- An international plan
- 1000 profiling floats with O_2 , pH, NO_3^- , bio-optics
- Observe seasonal and interannual change in carbon cycling, OMZ's, nutrient flux, acidification, biological carbon pump, phytoplankton phenology
- Ocean management of living marine resources & carbon budget verification
- Sustaining 1000 floats requires ~250 floats/year
- US does half the array



<http://biogeochemical-argo.org>

Mid-scale Research Infrastructure-2 (Mid-scale RI-2)

PROGRAM SOLICITATION NSF 19-542

Announced,	Dec. 2018
Pre-proposals,	Mar. 2019
Down select,	May 2019
Final proposals,	Aug 2019



National Science Foundation

Individual awards from \$20 million to \$70 million are anticipated
Duration of the award may be up to five (5) years.

The Mid-scale RI-2 program will NOT support proposals that include the following:

- Pre-implementation research and development and other community or tech
- Science research (except for validation of operational capability);
- Post-implementation research, operations, and maintenance; and
- General-purpose support systems and equipment that are not directly required of the proposed infrastructure.

Mid-scale RI-2 Consortium: Biogeochemical-Argo: A global robotic network to observe changing ocean chemistry and biology

- A pre-proposal to US NSF Mid-scale Research Infrastructure-2 solicitation
- Consortium of
 - MBARI – Johnson, PI
 - Univ. of Washington – Riser, PI
 - Scripps Institution of Oceanogr. – Talley, PI
 - Woods Hole Oceanographic Inst. – Wijffels, PI
 - Princeton Univ. – Sarmiento, PI
- 500 APEX, Navis, SOLO-II/S2A floats with O₂, NO₃, pH, bio-optics.
- \$49,400,000 over 5 years
- One of 13 pre-proposals selected to submit full proposal

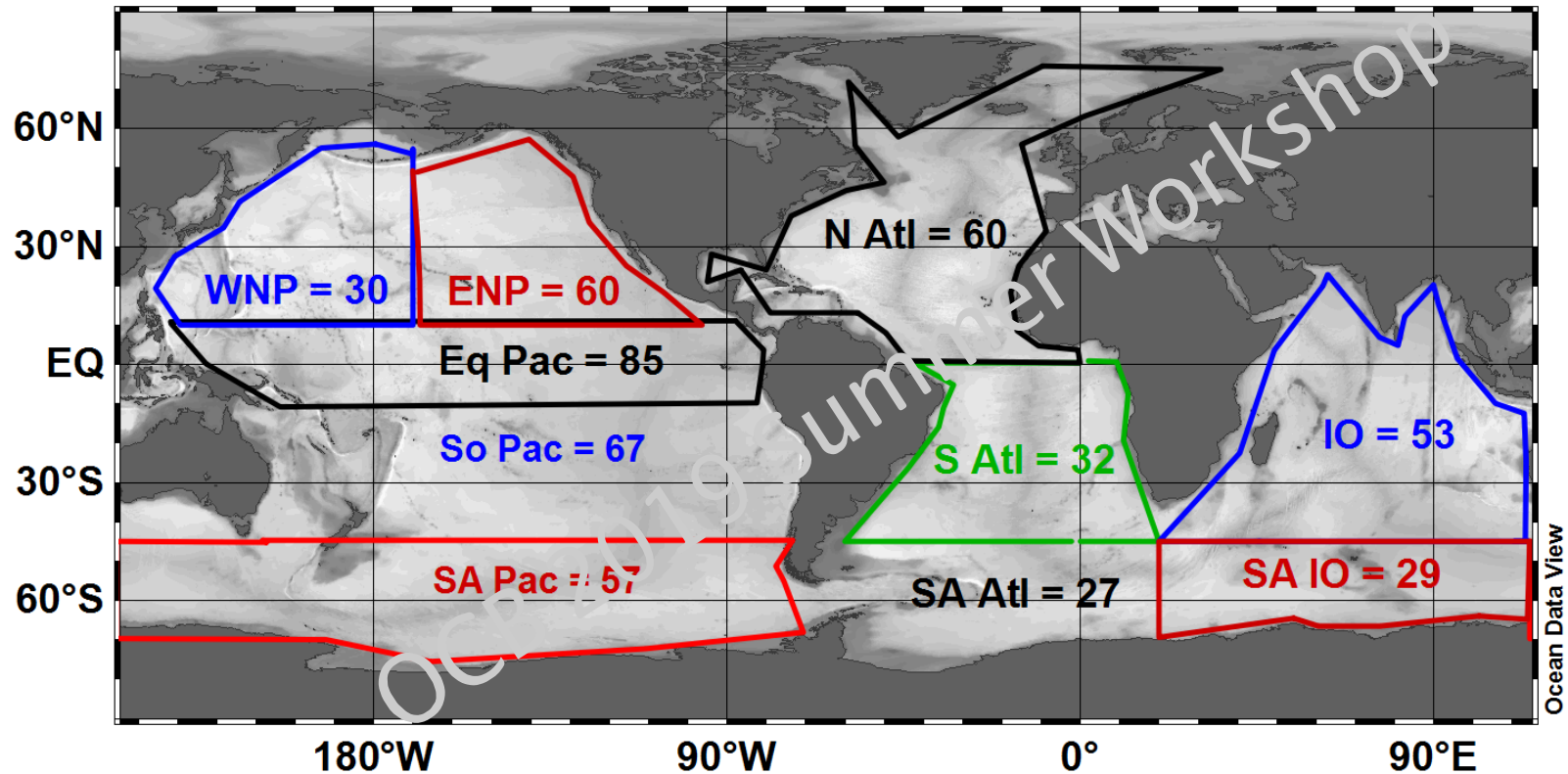
MSRI senior personnel and institution (NSF limits proposal to 5 PI's)

Heidi Cullen	MBARI
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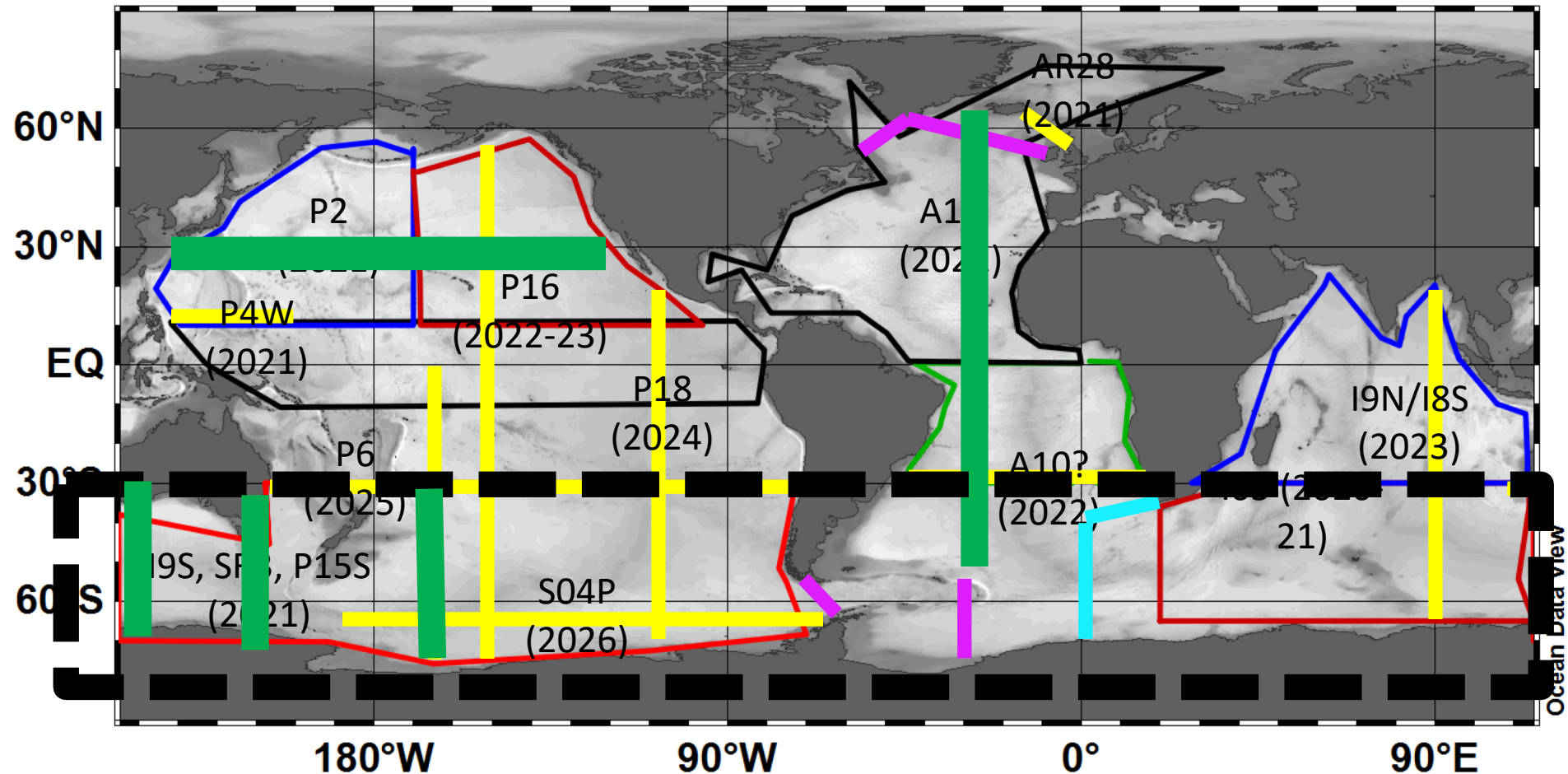
All data will be freely available in real time

The US BGC Argo pre-proposal was invited to submit a full proposal.
One of 13 projects spanning all of NSF. Perhaps 6 awards.



Inst.	Type	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
UW	APEX	40	40	40	40	40
UW	Navis	7	25	25	25	25
WHOI	Navis	10	15	25	30	30
SIO	SOLO	3	5	15	30	30
		60	85	105	125	125

Year 1 – 15 on A16, 15 on P2, 30 So. Ocn.



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How can the US OCB community help and participate?

- 1) If the proposal is successful, be prepared to write proposals to use the data stream (write proposals now to use the existing BGC-Argo data stream).
- 2) Provide input to committee members regarding deployment options/opportunities/priorities.
- 3) Comments to the committee regarding community oversight.

There will be a lunch gathering Wed. for community input.