



# **OFFSHORE WIND**

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## **On-site test of components and sensors exposed to marine degradations processes: fatigue, corrosion and biofouling**

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## OUTLINE

1. SURFFEOL Project
2. Stakes for a full scale test site for SHM: UN-e-SEA
3. The UN-SEA- Smart Material Structure: the site
4. The monitoring and marine growth
5. The first results and analysis: monitoring and marine growth

## 1. SURFFEOL Project

## Added value of SHM: predictive and combined maintenance



WP 2 Corrosion



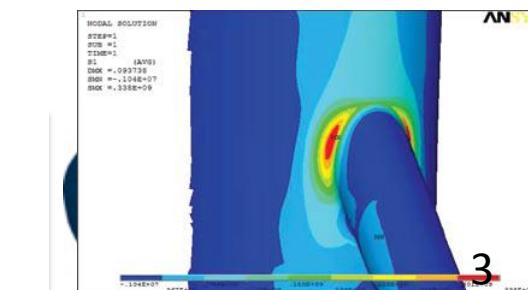
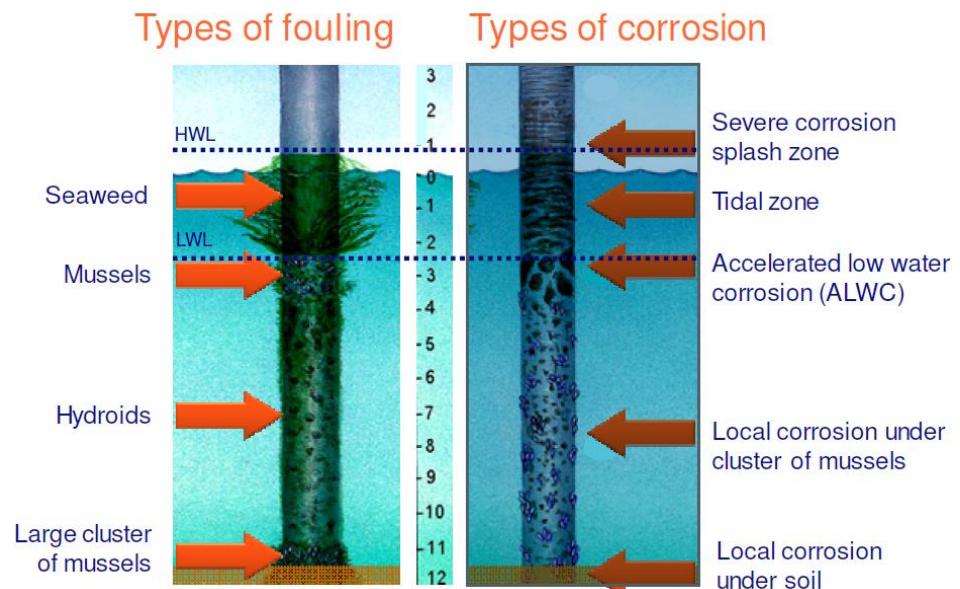
## WP 3 Marine Growth



# WP 4 Fatigue

## [31, SOA N. Muller]

The diagram illustrates a cross-section of a wind turbine foundation system. It features a central vertical column with several horizontal levels. At the top level, there are two yellow circular components labeled 'A' and 'B'. Below these are two grey rectangular components labeled 'C'. The next level down has two blue rectangular components labeled 'D'. The bottom-most level consists of a large grey rectangular base plate. Various dimensions are indicated along the vertical axis: 14500 at the very top, followed by 11000, 8000, 7000, 4000, and 1000 near the base. A small circle with the number 100 is located near the base. The letters 'A', 'B', 'C', and 'D' are placed around the respective components to identify them.

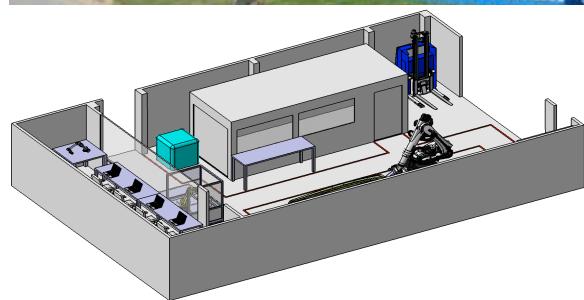


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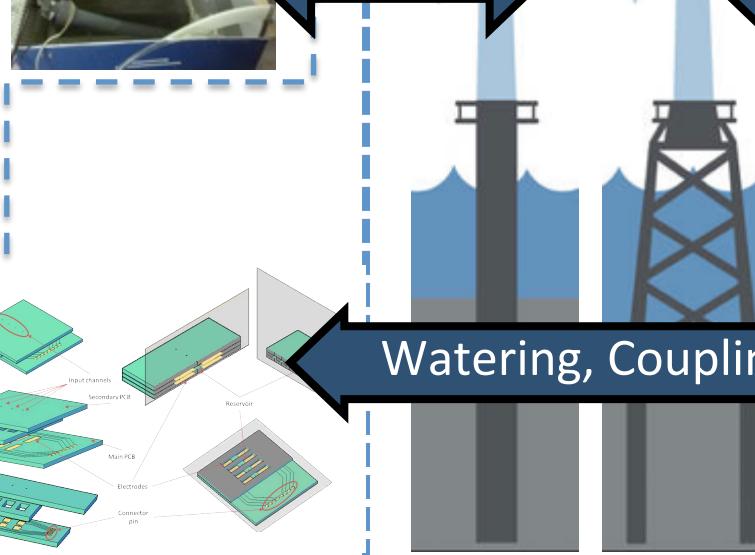
### Laboratory (GeM-U-Tec)

multi-physics, multi-sensors, multi-scale

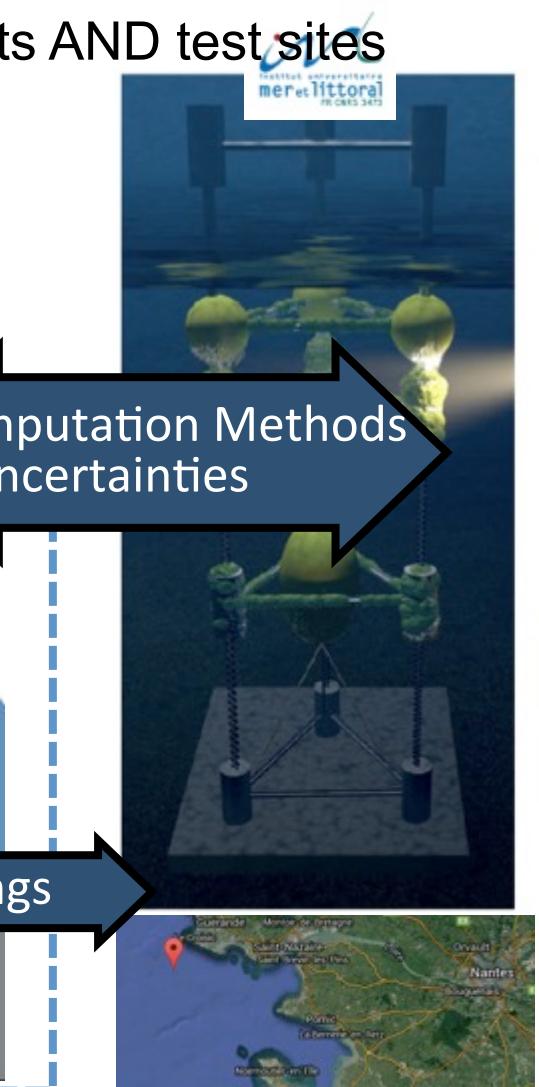


Coupling  
Uncertainties

Computation Methods  
Uncertainties



Watering, Couplings



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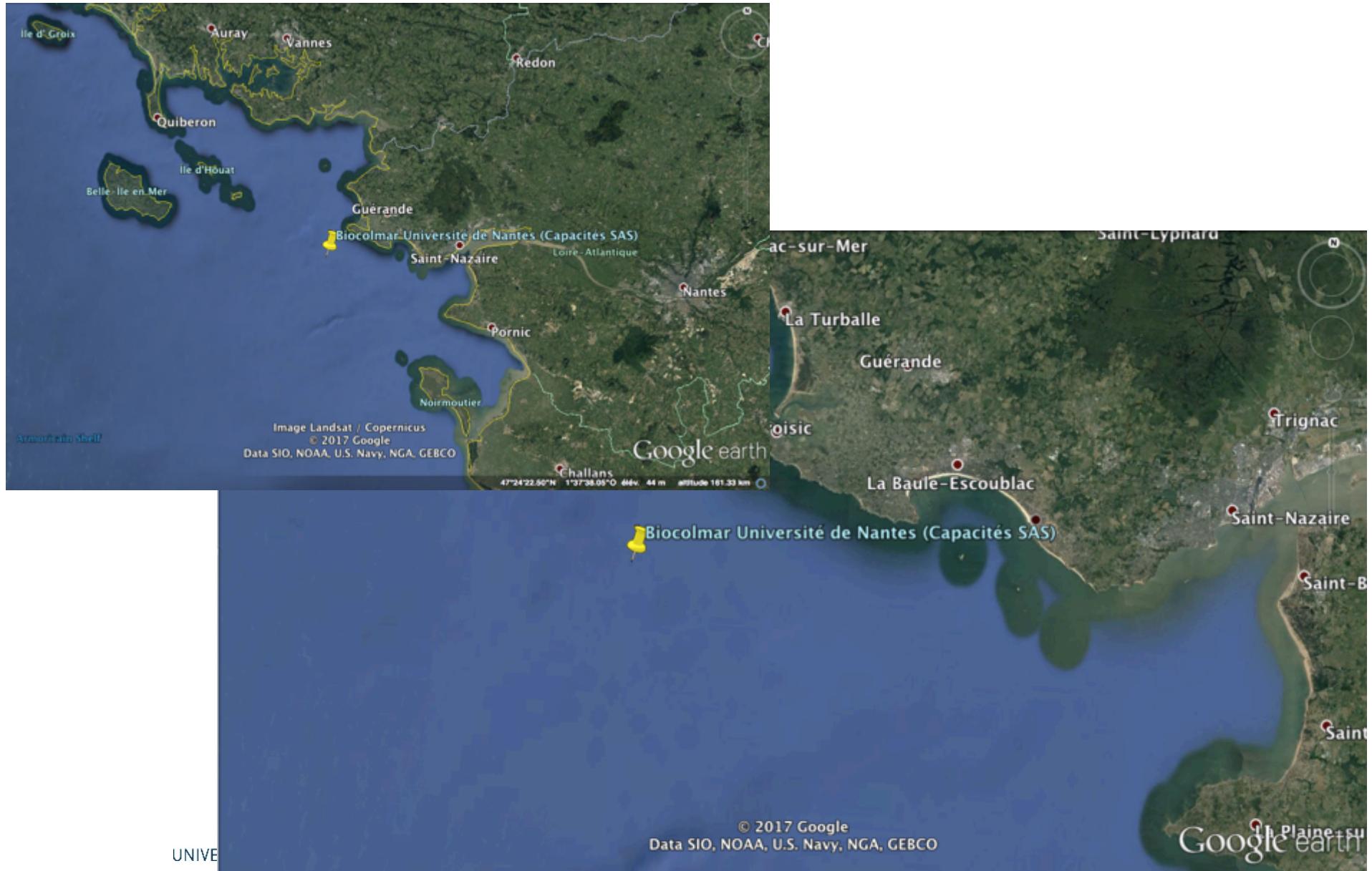
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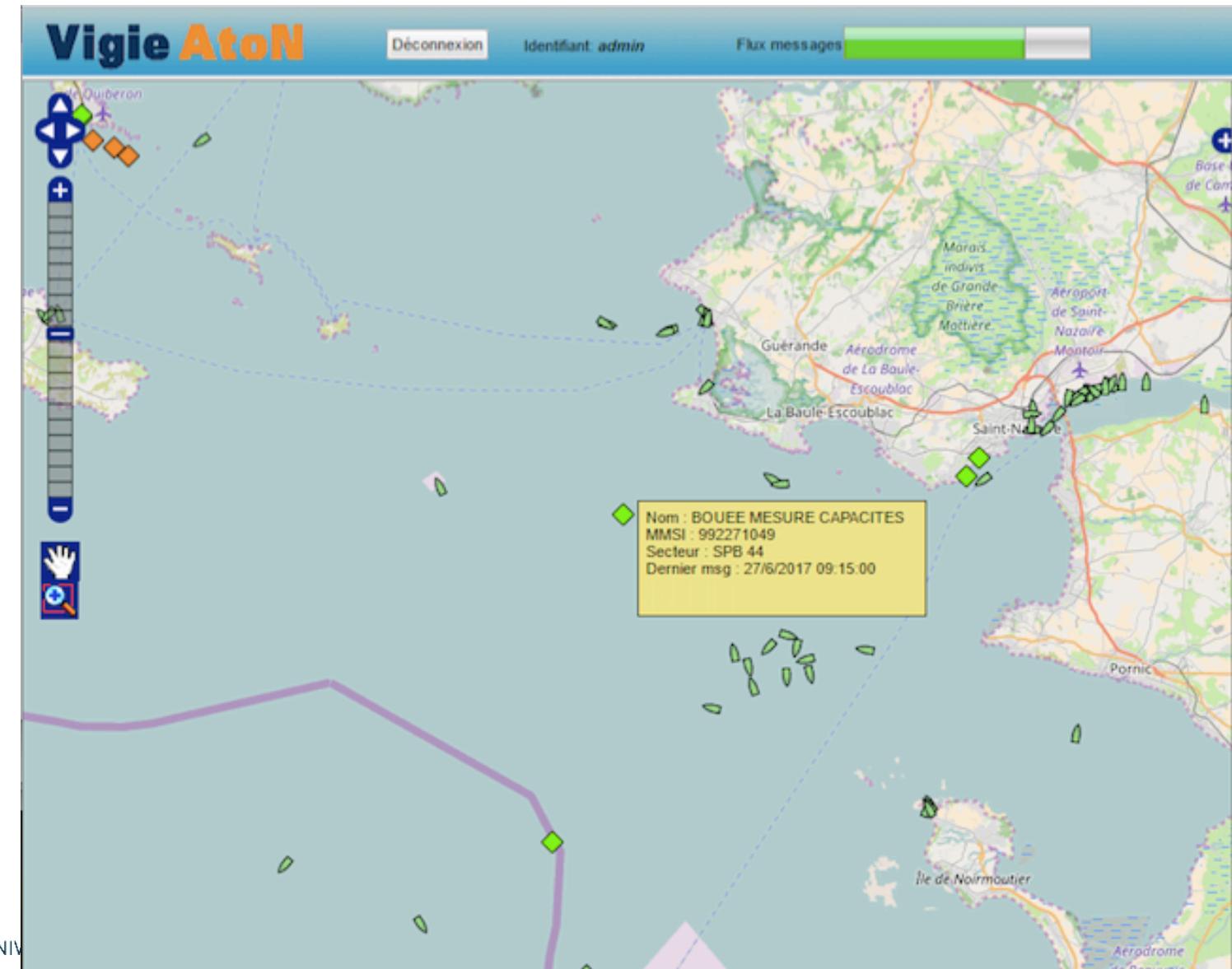
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- Sensors real reliability and lifetime
- Statistics about degradations processes (corrosion, damage, biofouling)
- Establishment of protocols

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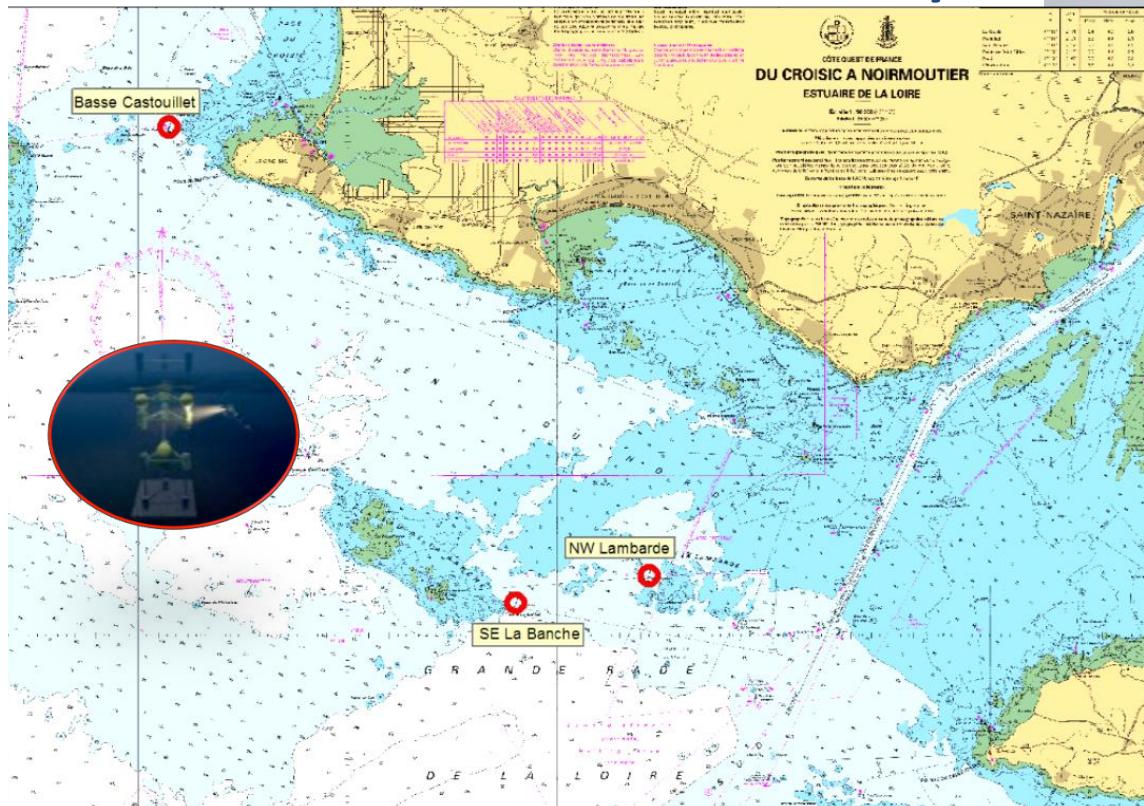
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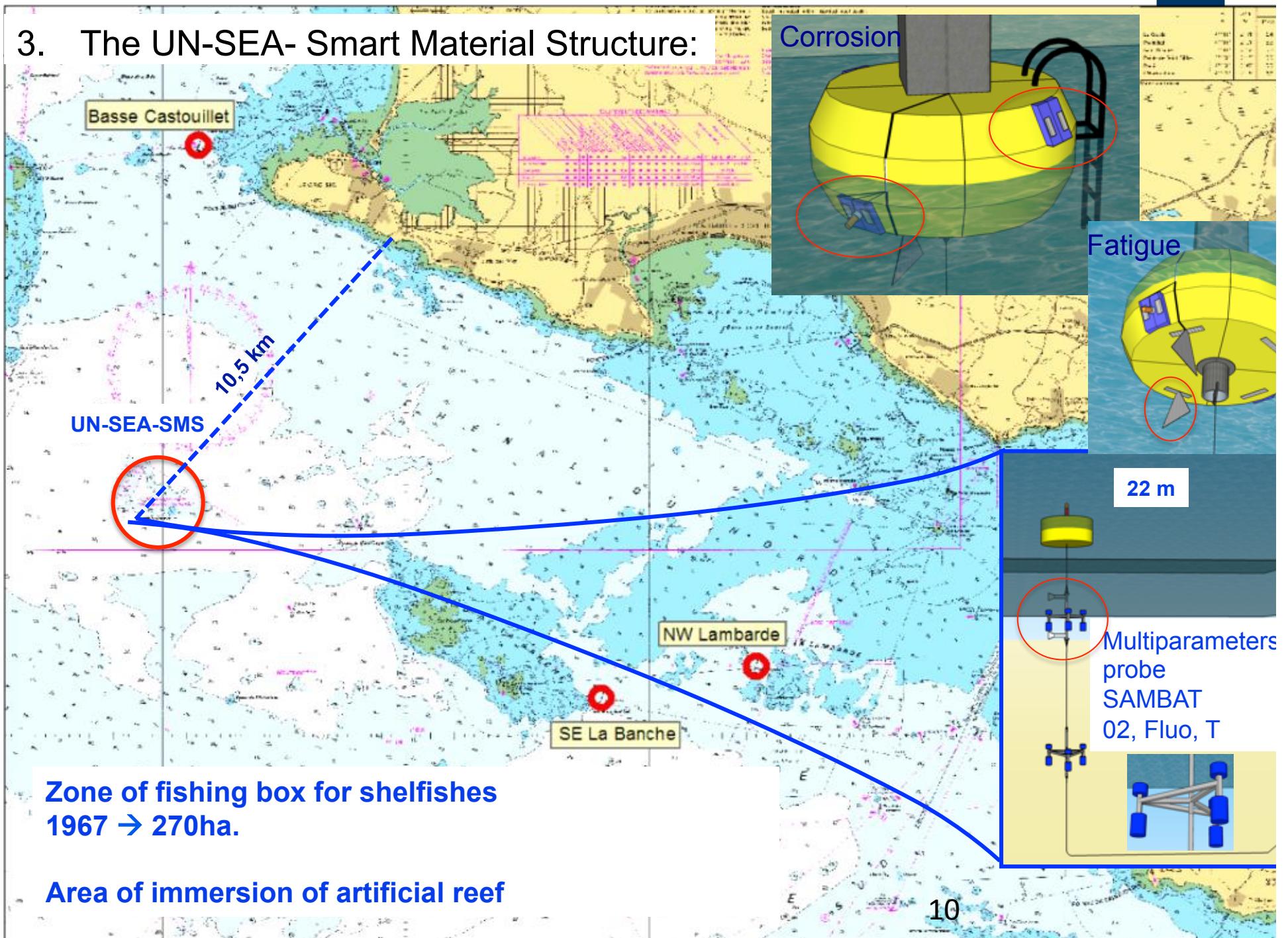
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**TESTS on SITE for SHM systems**

Biocolmar: an idea, a patent, a reality since may  
2017 in Pays de la Loire



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*Stakes for sensors maintenance / protection*

(a)



(b)



Without protection

with protection

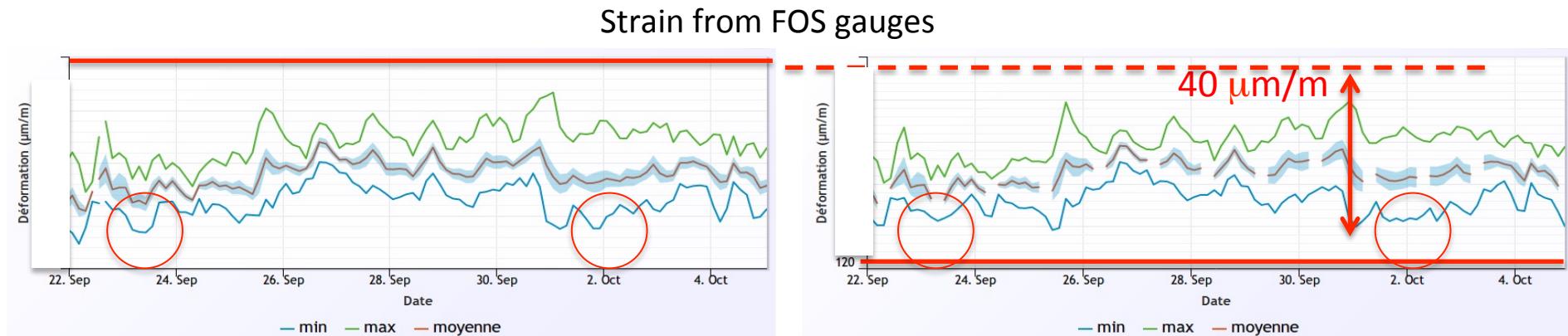
## 4. The Fiber Optical Sensor Monitoring



## 4. The Monitoring and marine growth assessment

- Storage is expensive
- Reduce size of sampling (replace 3 hours measurements by mean, max min)
- Non destructive assessment of Marine Growth

## 5. First results and first learning from mooring system



Not the same strain: 0 and calibration was made before transportation and installation

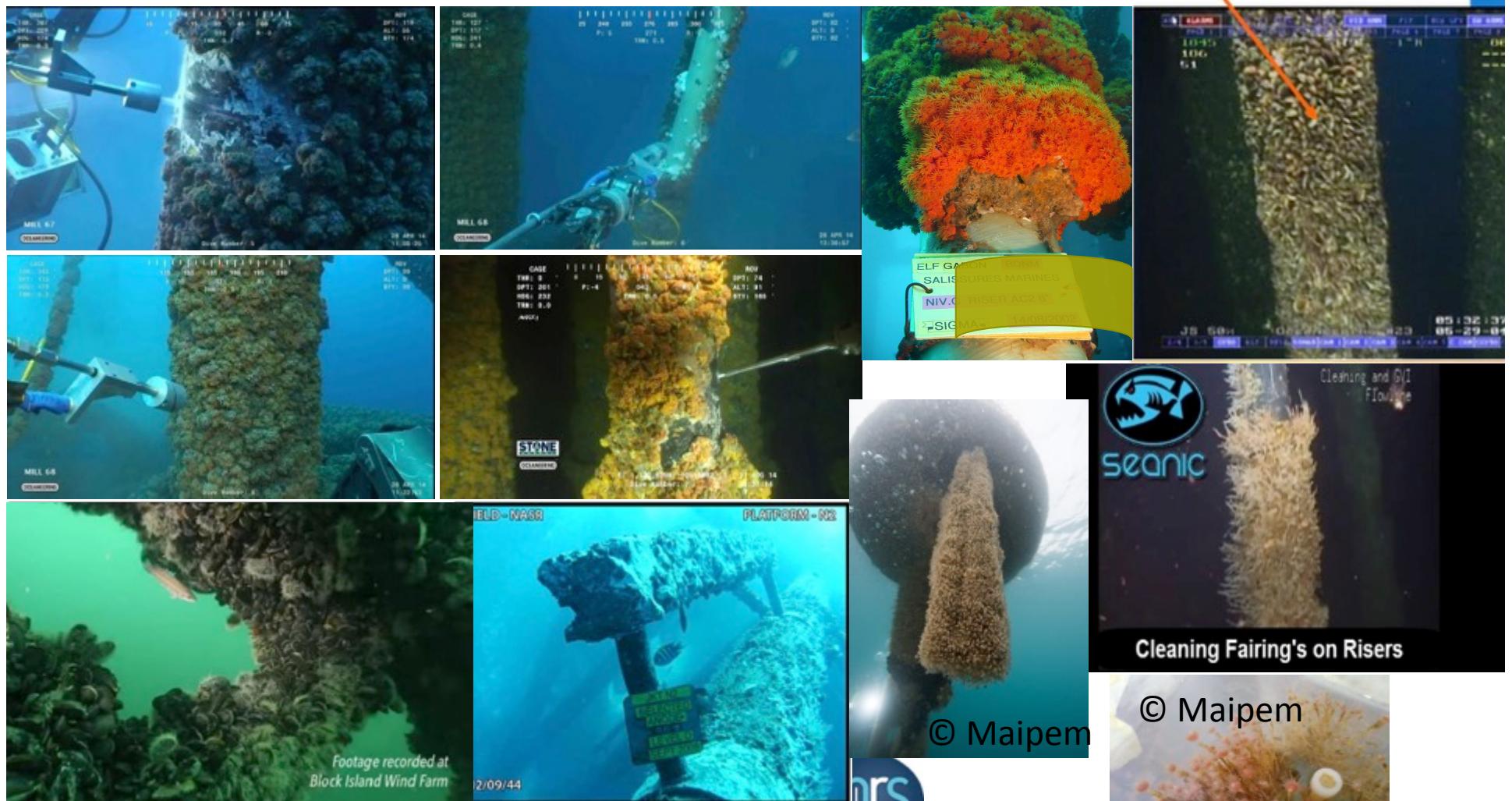
Gap of  $40 \mu\text{m}/\text{m}$  can be explained by:

- a small chock but that is the range of evolution
- a bending behaviour

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### Test of protocols for marine growth

Soft marine growth on a real riser



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A project Founded by French Research Agency (2017-2018) within the FEM Cluster and scientifically leaded by Université de Nantes\*

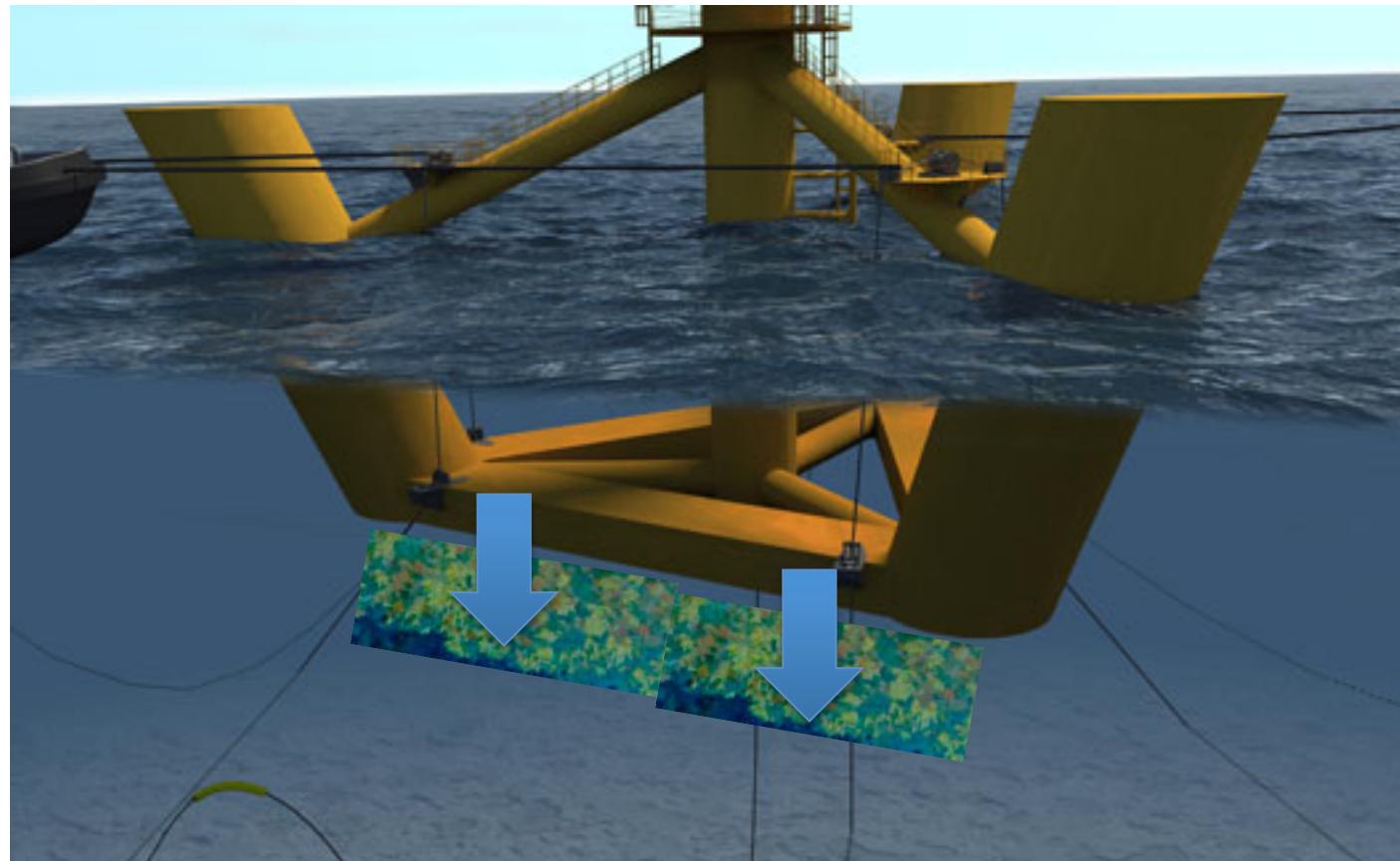


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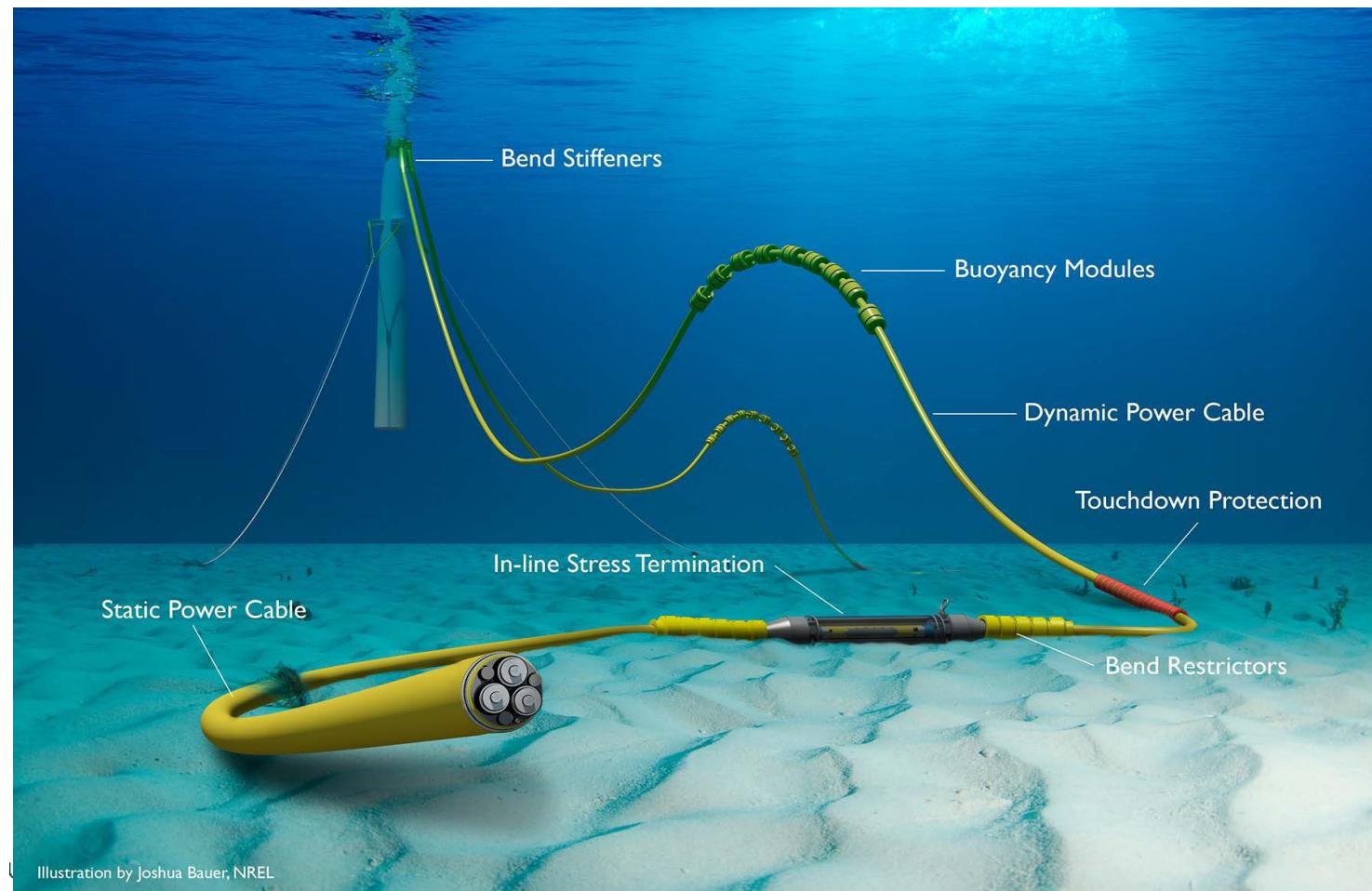
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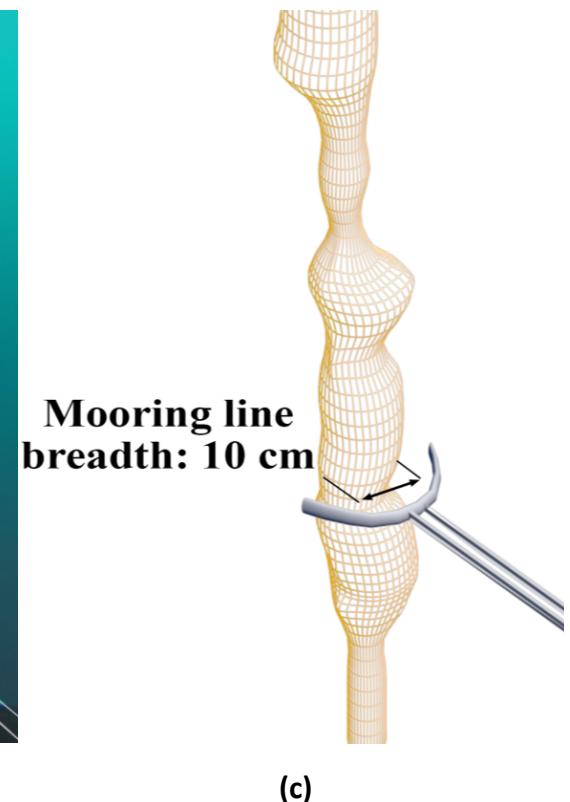
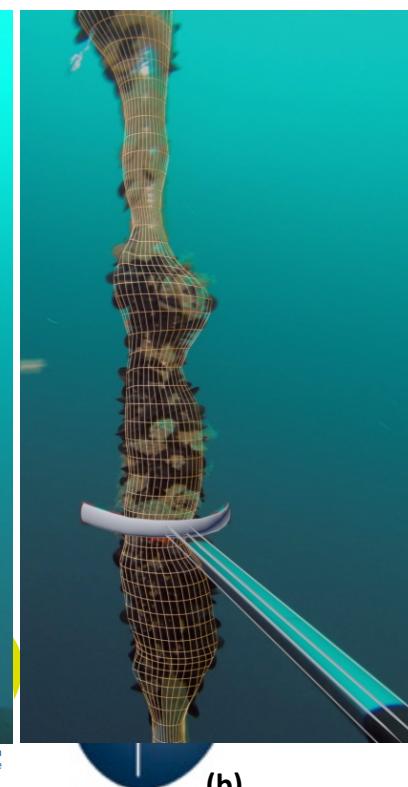
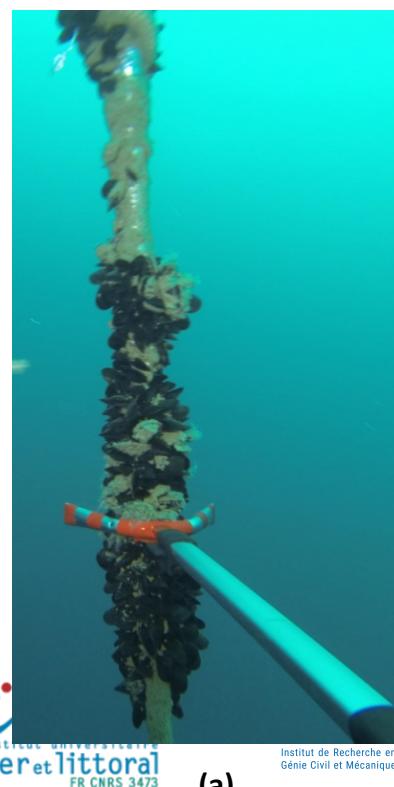
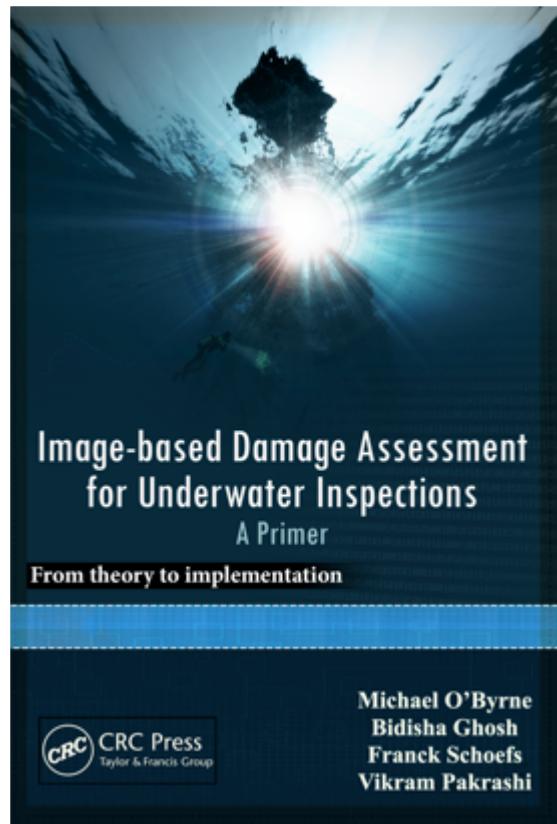
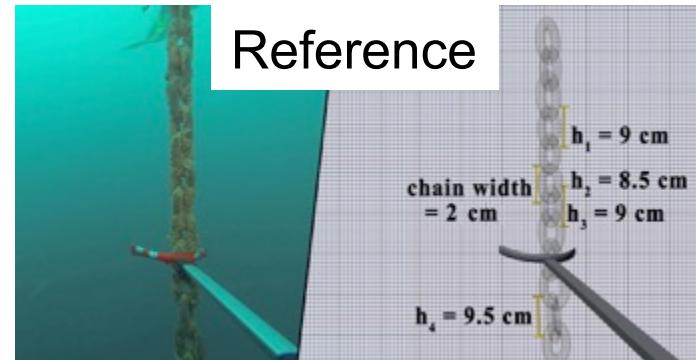
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For floating structures: over weight and hydrodynamics: floating part, **umbilical cable**, anchorage, ....



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## 6. Conclusion

- First investigation and a lot of learning (acceptability, durability of sensors and welding of sensors)
- Mains goals and other: better understand the hydrodynamics of small floating bodies
- Analyze effect of marine growth