

TOWARD A RISK-BASED ASSESSMENT OF MICROPLASTIC POLLUTION IN MARINE ECOSYSTEMS

Our Research Objectives

Identify possible accumulation zones in European coastal ecosystems by studying hydrological transport dynamics.

Analyse the abundance and type of micro- and nanoplastics found in marine species by sampling representative marine animals.

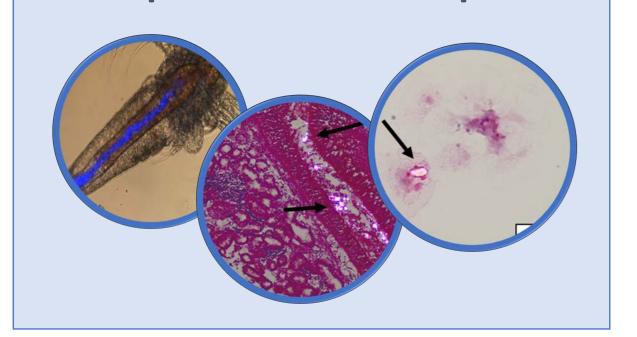
Synthesise this research into a quantitative model for assessing the potential impact of microplastics in the marine environment, considering the occurrence of multiple stressors.

Set up an analytical Smart Hub that will share innovative technologies and application expertise for analytical needs, along with contributing to methodological improvement and training.

Identify how plastic particles, along with other environmental stressors, affect the health of species and food webs.

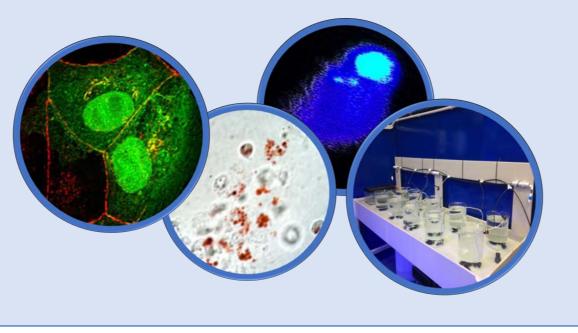
Increase public understanding of the ecological risk of microplastics and nanoplastics and increase public action.

WP2 The Biological Fate of Microplastics and Nanoplastics

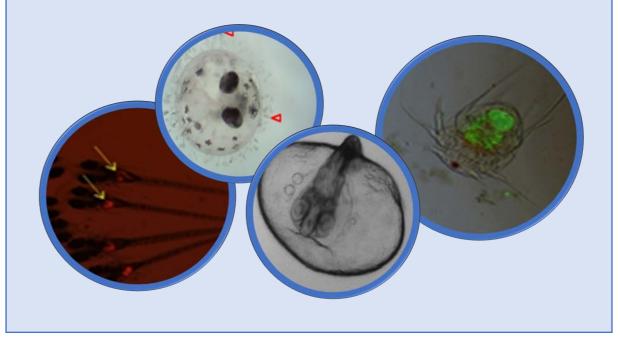


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Biomarkers in the Ecological Risk of Microplastics



WP4 Bioassays in the Ecological Risk of Microplastics



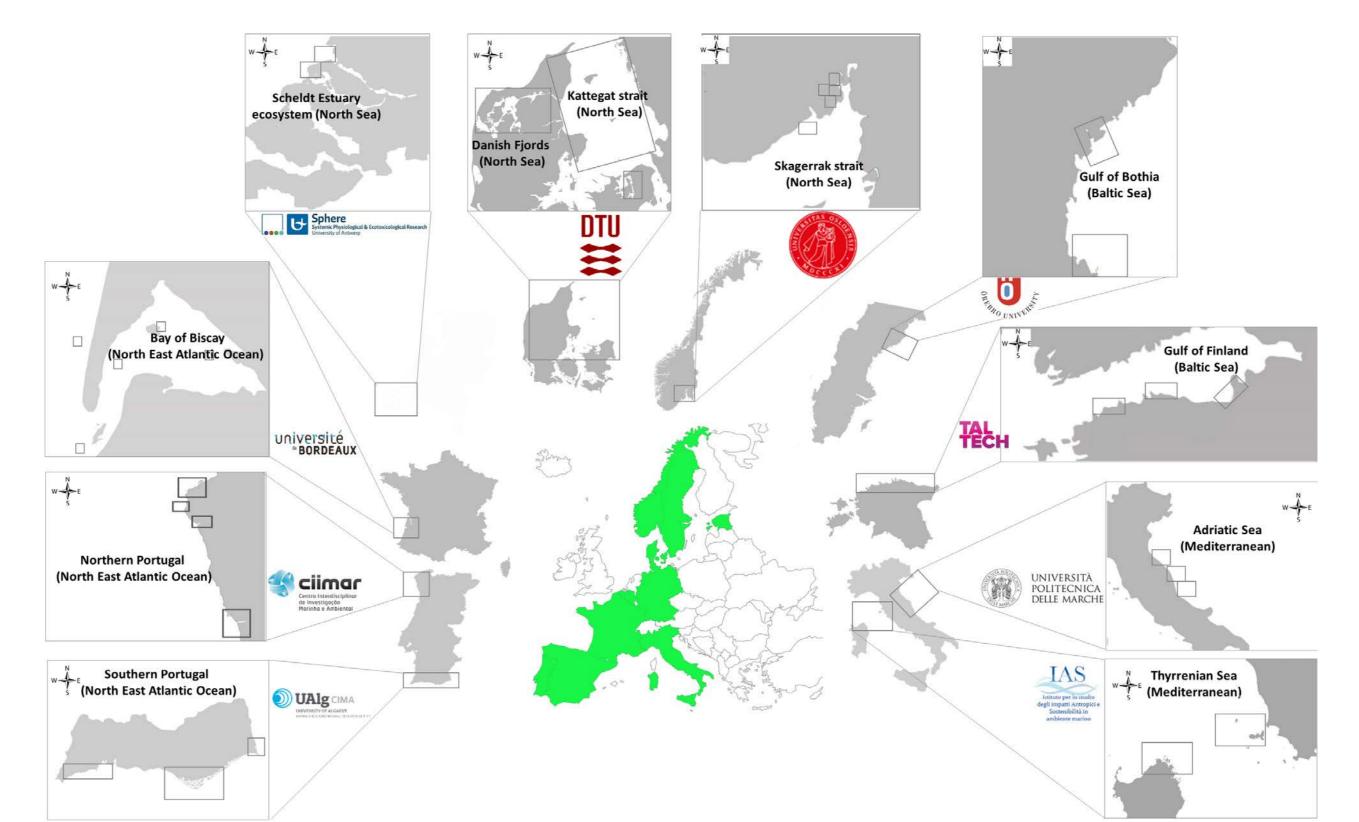
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Effects of Microplastics on Ecological Functioning

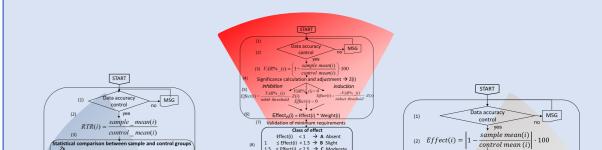


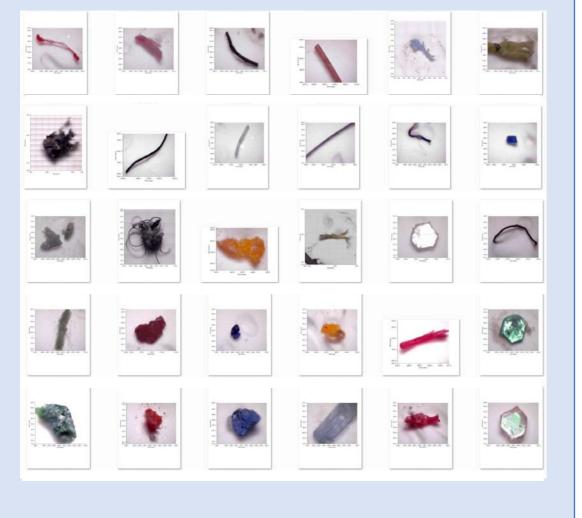
WP1 Monitoring microplastics in European Coastal Areas



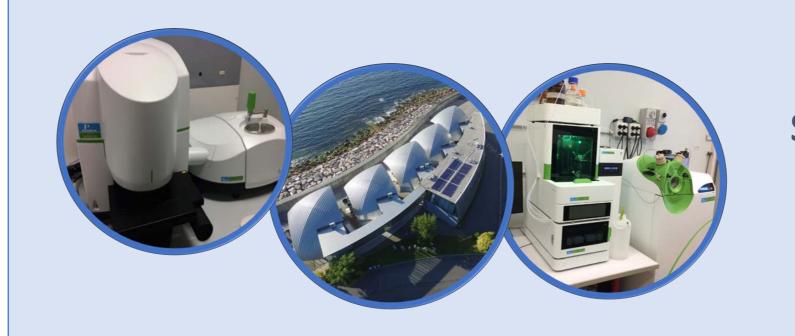


Weight Of Evidence Model for Microplastics

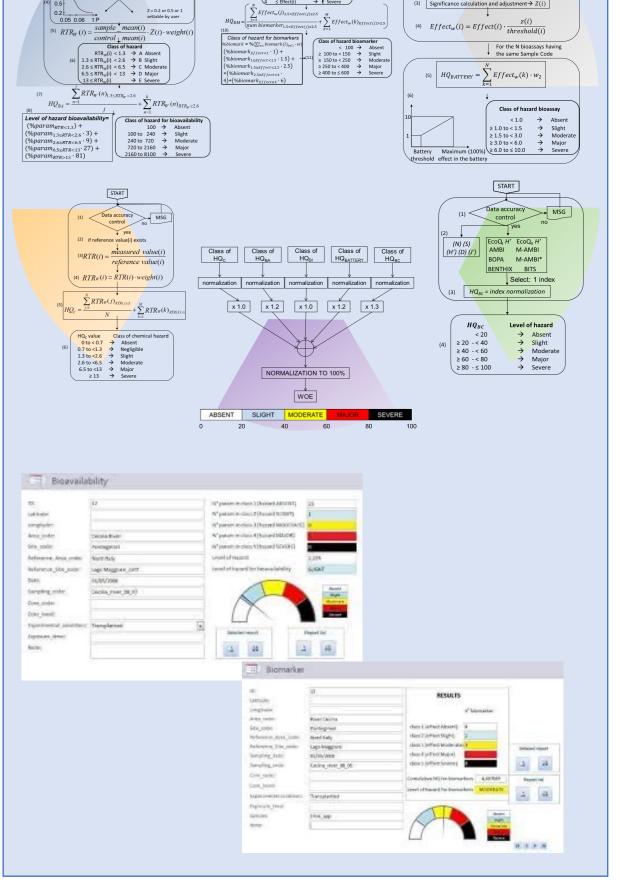




RESPONSE brings together 14 partners across Europe with expertise in oceanography, environmental chemistry, ecotoxicology, experimental ecology and modelling for assessing micro- and nano-plastic ecological risk.



WP7 Smart-Hub of Analytical Facilities



WP8

Communication and Dissemination



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