Study of OMZ (oxygen minimum zone) levels in the Mauritanian EEZ: data processing of international campaigns in Mauritania 2000-2018

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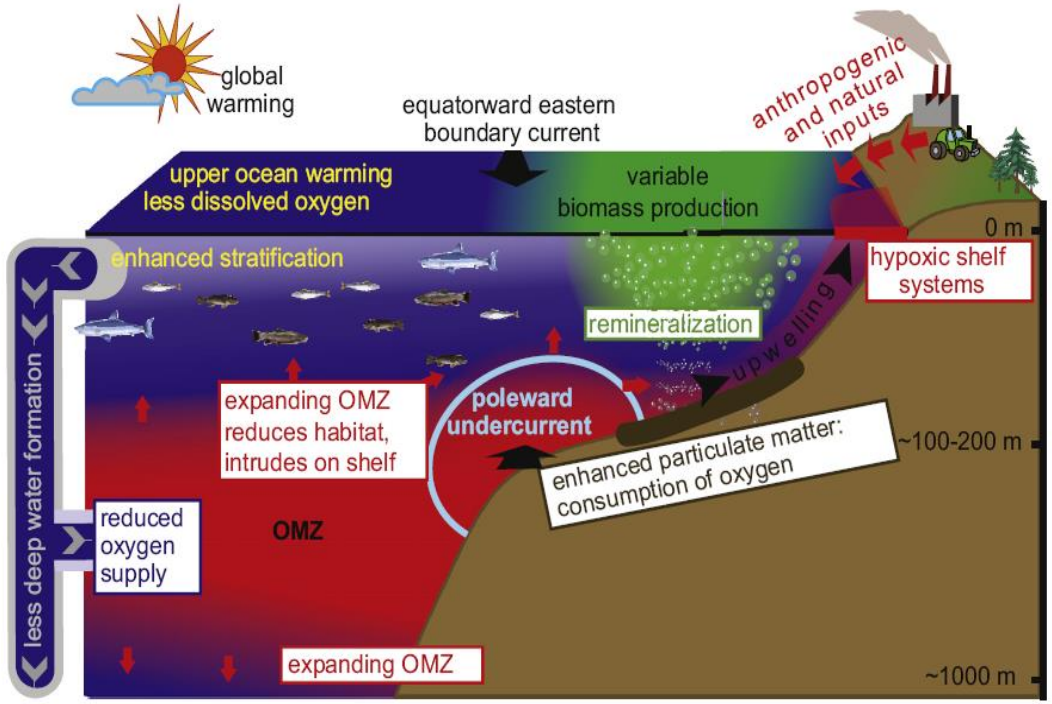
Context and objective

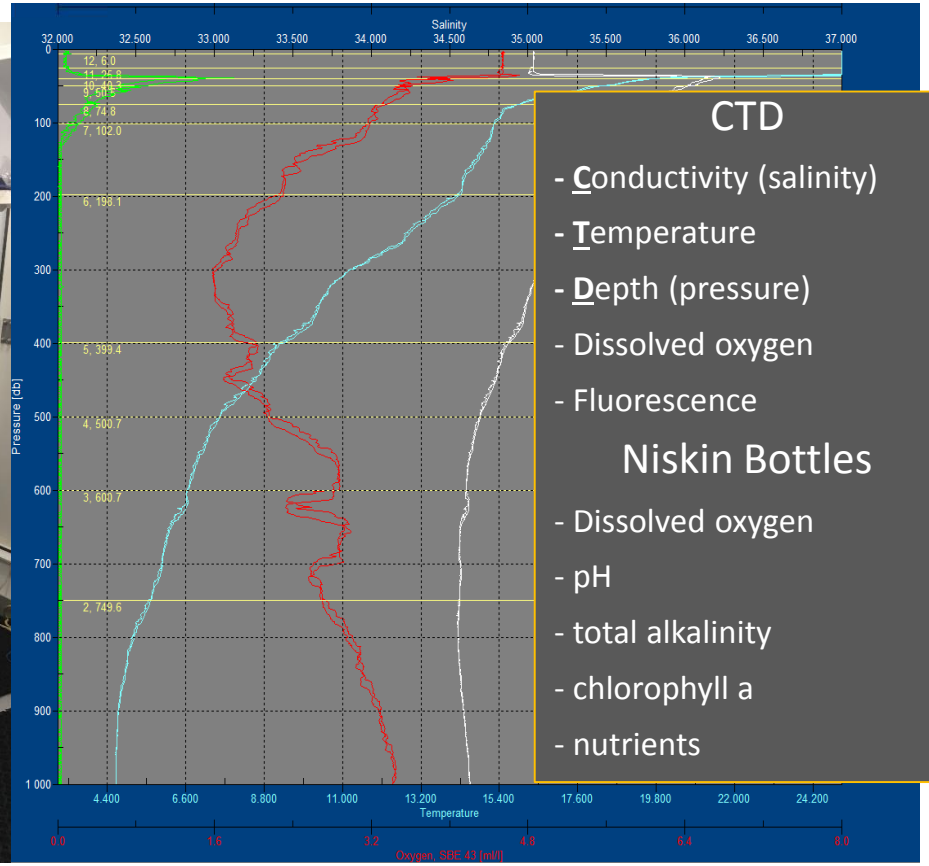


Diaz et Rosenberg 2008

Goal:

- Identify, evaluate and monitor these OMZs to understand the consequences that could result.
- Provide for measures in fishery management plans.

Methodology



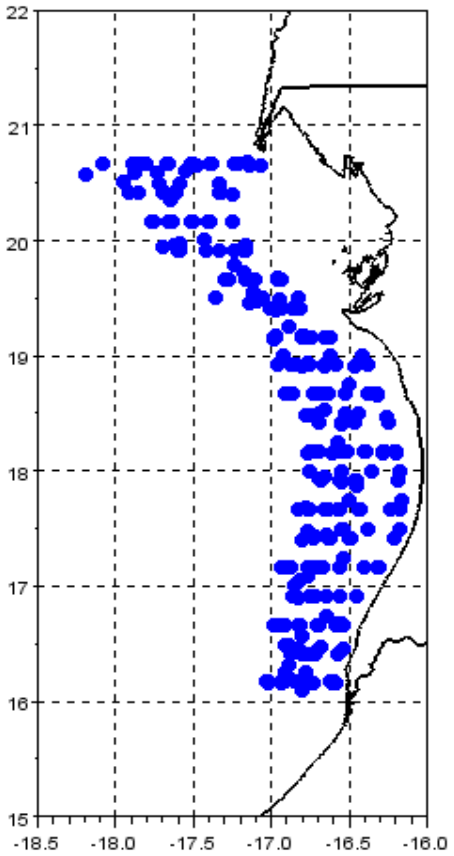
CTD

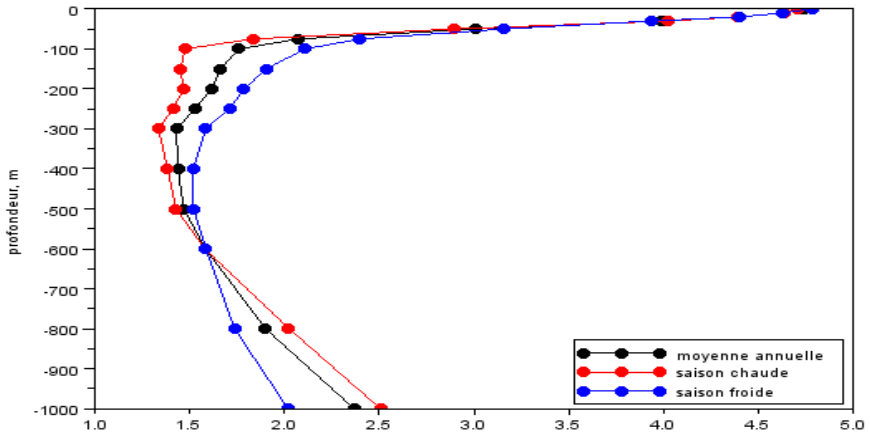
- **C**onductivity (salinity)
- **T**emperature
- **D**epth (pressure)
- Dissolved oxygen
- Fluorescence

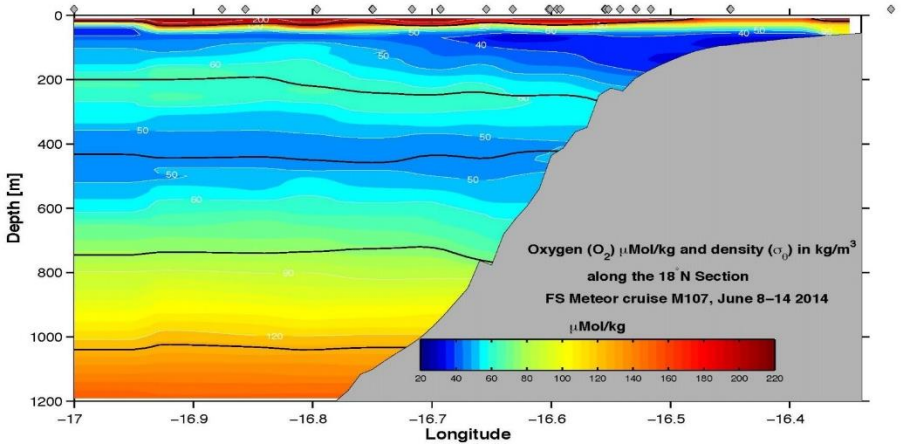
Niskin Bottles

- Dissolved oxygen
- pH
- total alkalinity
- chlorophyll a
- nutrients

Results







- The concentrations in OMZ vary between 1.4 ml / l (62.52 µmol / kg) and 2.3 ml / l (102.718 µmol / kg). This shows us that the Mauritanian OMZ is hypoxic.

- This hypoxia is more intense in the hot season, between 1.4 ml / l (62.52 µmol / kg) and 1.6 ml / l (71.456 µmol / kg) than in the cold season, between 1.6 ml / l (71.456 µmol / kg) and 2.3 ml / l (102.718 µmol / kg).