Evaluating the Efficacy and Environmental Impacts from In-Water Cleaning of Comercial Vessels

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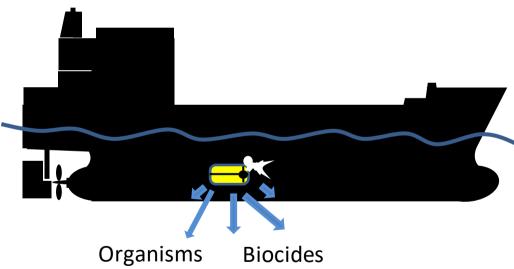
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Traditional paradigm of reactive in-water cleaning





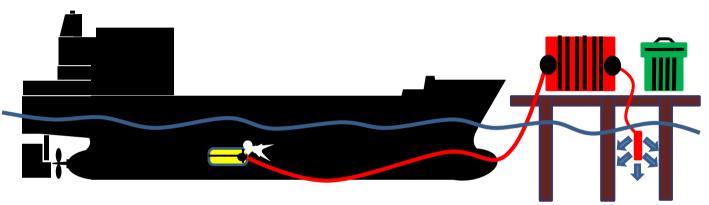
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Newer Paradigm of Reactive In-Water Cleaning and Capture





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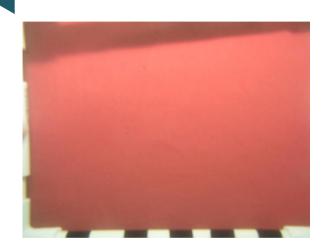
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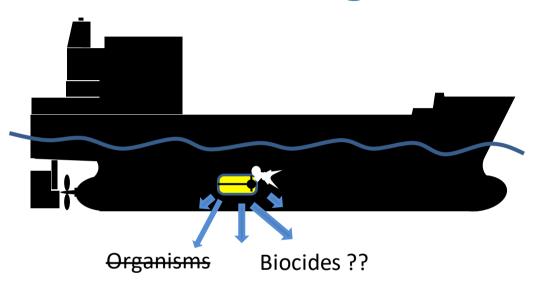
- How well do the systems clean?
- How well do the systems contain the removed debris at the point of cleaning?
- How well do the systems filter/treat the effluent before discharge?



Proactive Cleaning

Proactive in-water cleaning





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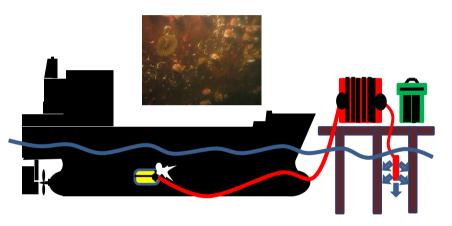
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Questions:

- How well do the systems clean?
- Are biocides released? If so, at what concentration?

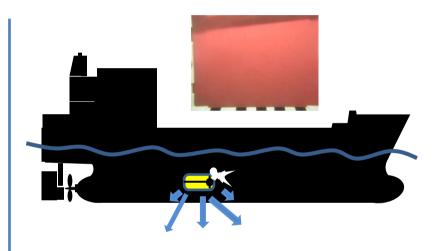


Environmental risks associated with inwater cleaning



Reactive IWCC:

- Cleaning effectiveness
- Debris capture efficiency
- Filtration/treatment/removal efficiency



Proactive IWC:

- Cleaning effectiveness
- Biocide release?



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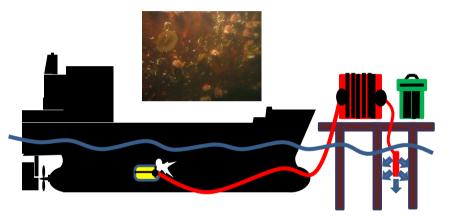








Environmental risks associated with reactive in-water cleaning with capture



Reactive IWCC:

- Cleaning effectiveness
- Debris capture efficiency
- Filtration/treatment/removal efficiency



Environmental risks associated with reactive in-water cleaning with capture

Vessel 1:

- Baltimore, MD
- Heavy biofouling: 60-100%
- Low visibility: < 1m



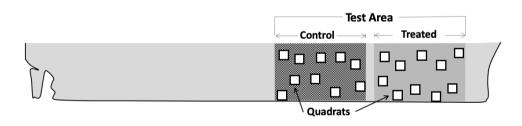
Vessel 2:

- Alameda, CA
- Moderate biofouling: 50-75%
- Low visibility: < 1m



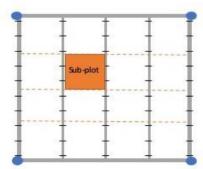
Reactive IWCC:

Cleaning effectiveness



Surface Type	Number of Plots	Number of Images Within One Plot	Total Photos
Vertical flat	6	16	96
Horizontal flat	6	16	96
Vertical curved	6	16	96
Angled Surfaces	6	5	30





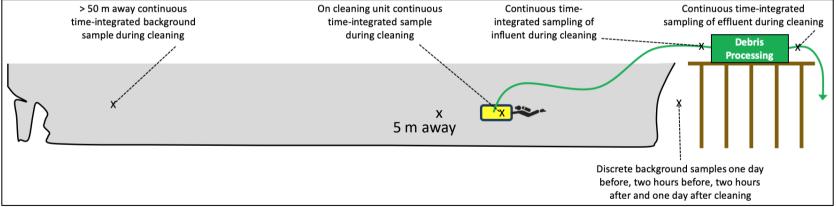


Reactive IWCC:

- Debris capture efficiency
- Filtration/treatment/removal efficiency

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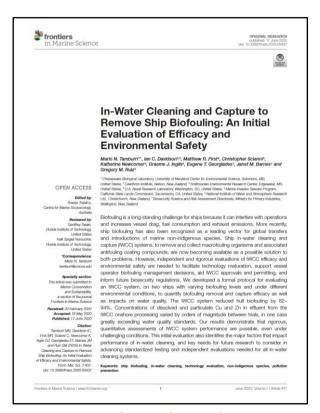


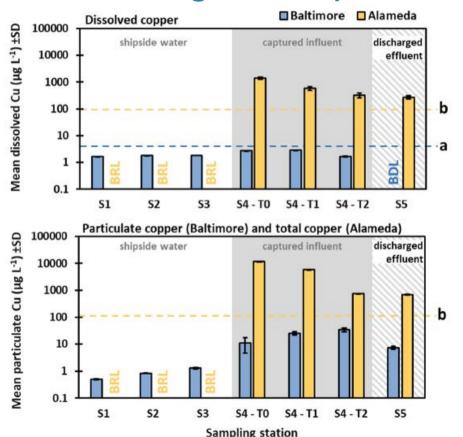
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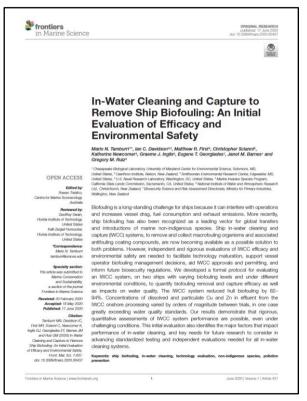
- Biocides (Cu, Zn)
- TSS, POC, DOC

Particle size distribution







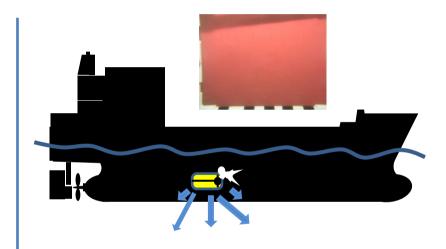


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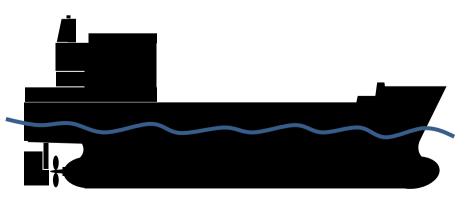
Proactive IWC:

- Cleaning effectiveness
- Biocide release?



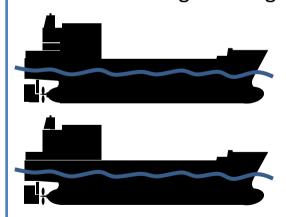
Primary vessel:

- Start project immediately after dry dock
- 3x Biofouling/biofilm presence absence sampling
- 3x Water Quality sampling during cleaning



Secondary vessels (2):

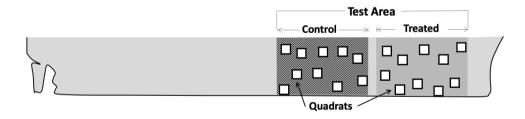
 1x Water Quality sampling per vessel during cleaning

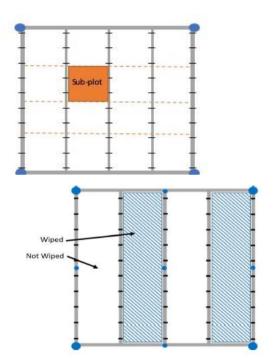




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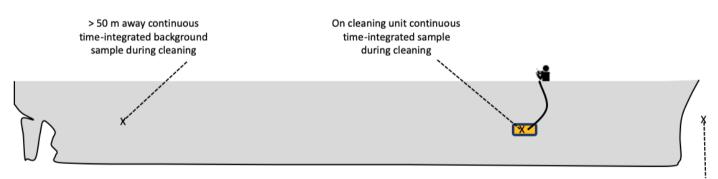
Cleaning effectiveness





Proactive IWC:

Biocide release?



Water Quality Parameters:

- Biocides (Cu, Zn)
- TSS, POC, DOC

- Particle size distribution
- Microplastics

Discrete background samples one day before, two hours before, two hours after and one day after cleaning



Sample schedule for Primary Vessel:

- Dry dock and new coating: September 17, 2021
- Dive survey 1: October 2021 in Long Beach
- WQ sampling 1: November 2021 in Baltimore
- Dive Survey 2: March 2022 in Long Beach [last week]
- WQ sampling 2: April 2022 in Baltimore [next week]
- Dive survey 3: [TBD]
- WQ sampling 3: [TBD]



Next Steps

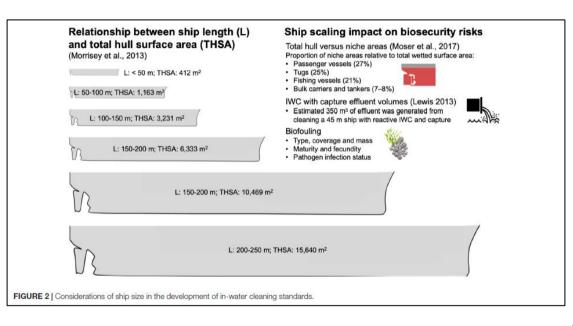
- Finish last two rounds of sampling for primary vessel
- Identify secondary vessels and conduct WQ sampling during proactive cleaning operations
- Produce public report and prepare manuscript for journal peer-review
- Use our experience to offer guidance to permitting agencies on important considerations (next slide)



Technical Considerations for IWC Policy



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going ships (Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute, 1952). Biofouling of the global shipping fleet,

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