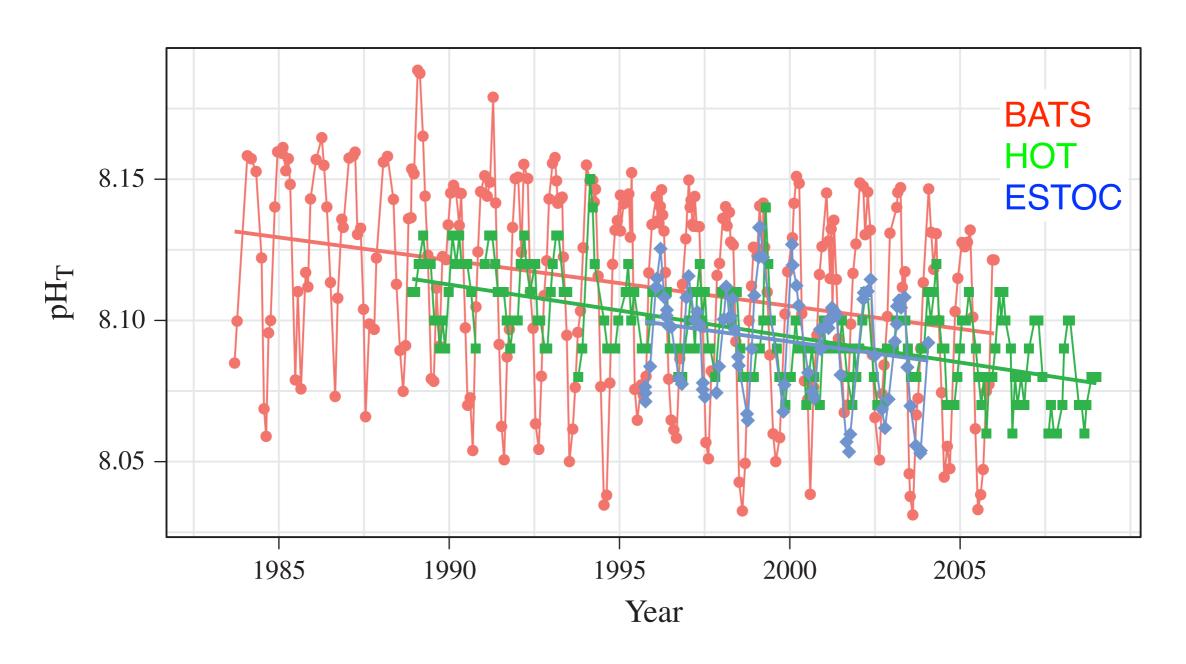
# Responses to future climate change: biogeochemistry

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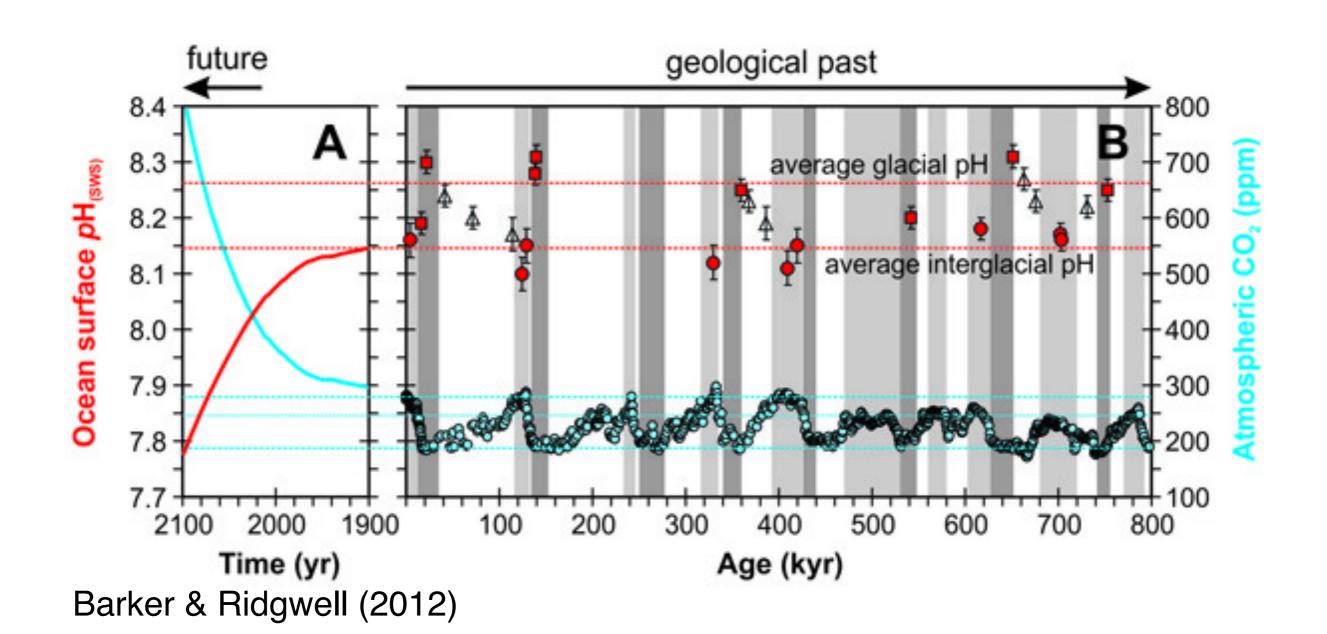
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### Time-series of ocean acidification

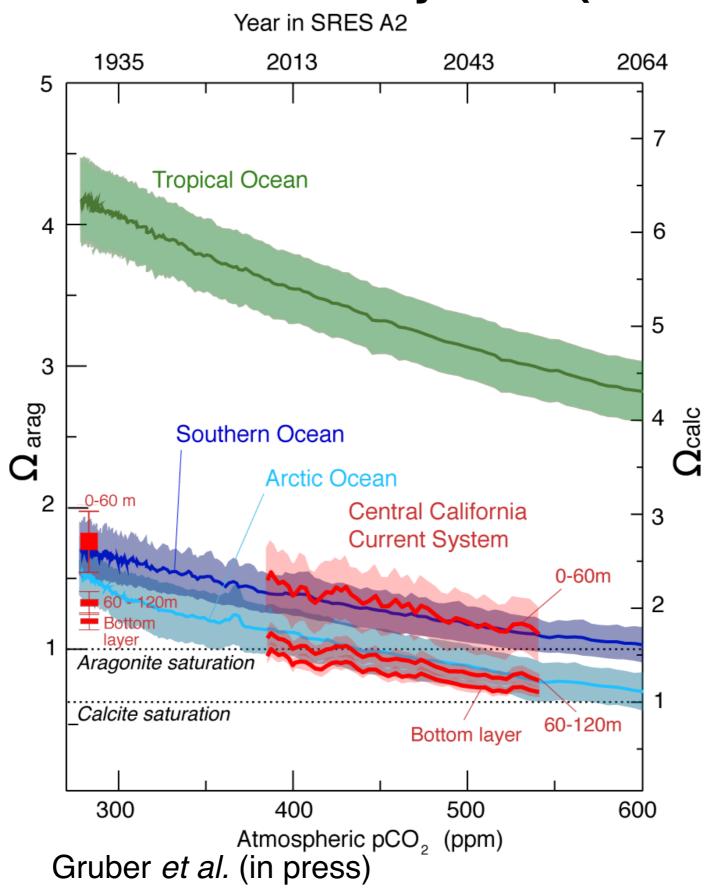


Orr (2011)

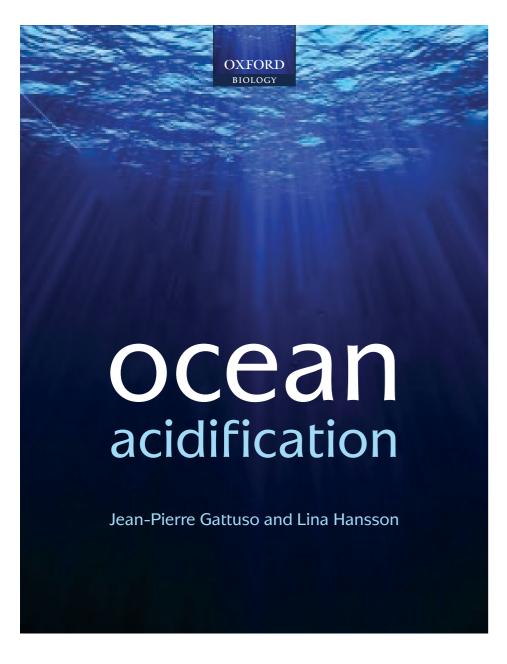
### Long-term perspective



## Rapid progression of ocean acidification in the California Current System (EBUS)



#### **Assessment**



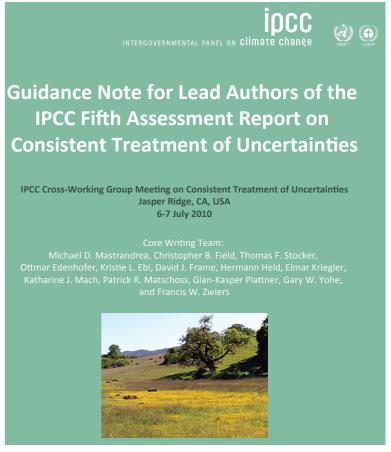
15 declarative statements assessed:

Chemical aspects

Biological and biogeochemical responses

Policy and socio-economic

aspects



Mastrandrea et al. (2010)

### **Summary on statements**

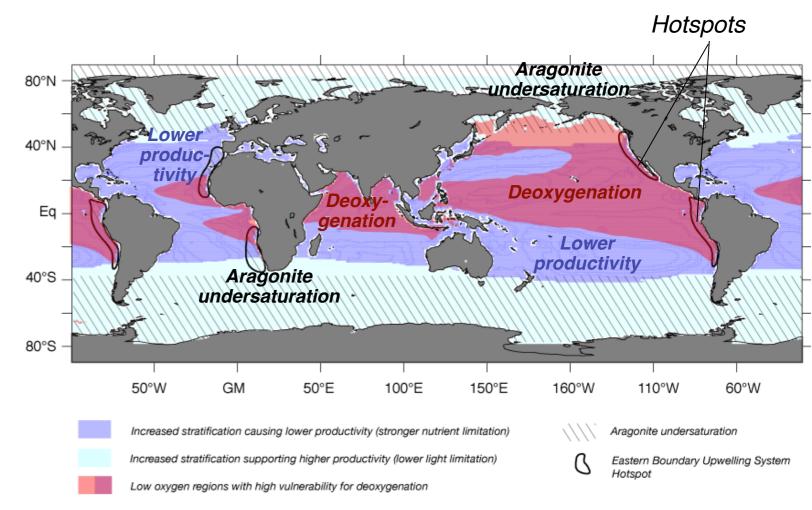
- Chemical effects: robust evidence and high certainty
- Biological and ecological effects: much less certain
  - calcification, primary production, nitrogen fixation and biodiversity will be altered but with an unknown magnitude
  - some cannot be assessed
- Biogeochemistry, society and the economy may change; whether it will be significant or not is also unknown

## Systems at risk

- Polar areas
- Deep-sea environments
- Coral reefs
- Nearshore ecosystems

## Warming up, turning sour, losing breath: ocean biogeochemistry under global change

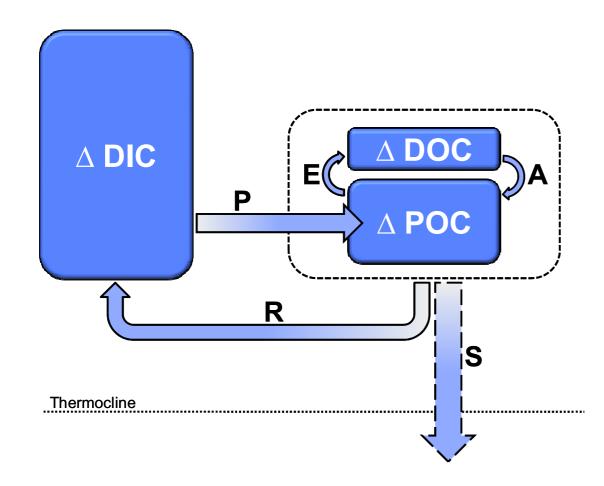
- OA not acting in isolation
- Warming increases oxygen loss and stratification (deoxygenation)
- Warming, acidification, and deoxygenation in 21st century
- Only begun to fathom ecological and biogeochemical effects



The triumvirate of ocean change (Gruber, 2011)

## Changes in biogenic carbon flow in response to sea surface warming

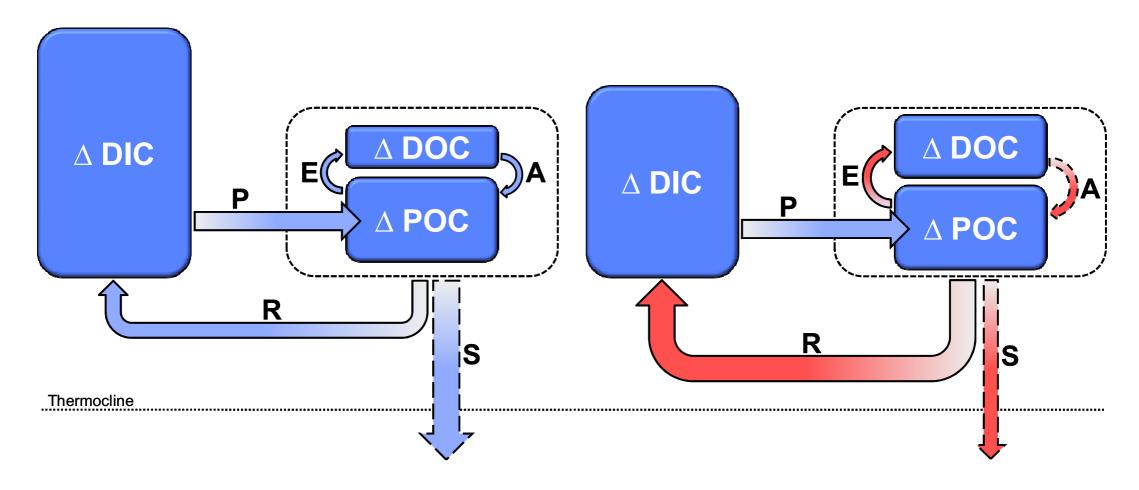
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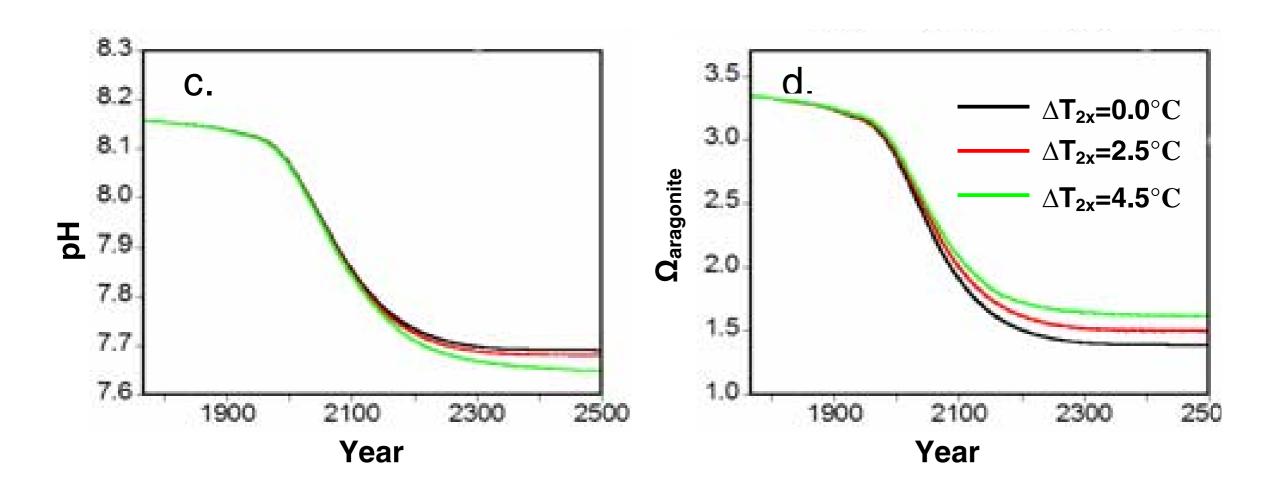
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#### **Elevated temperature**

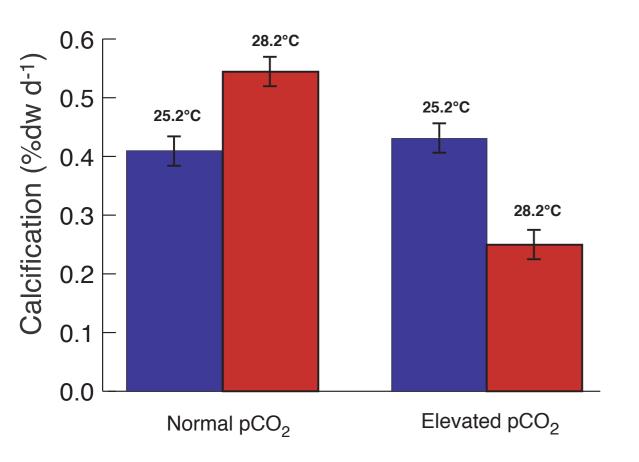


## Very limited impact of climate change on the carbonate system



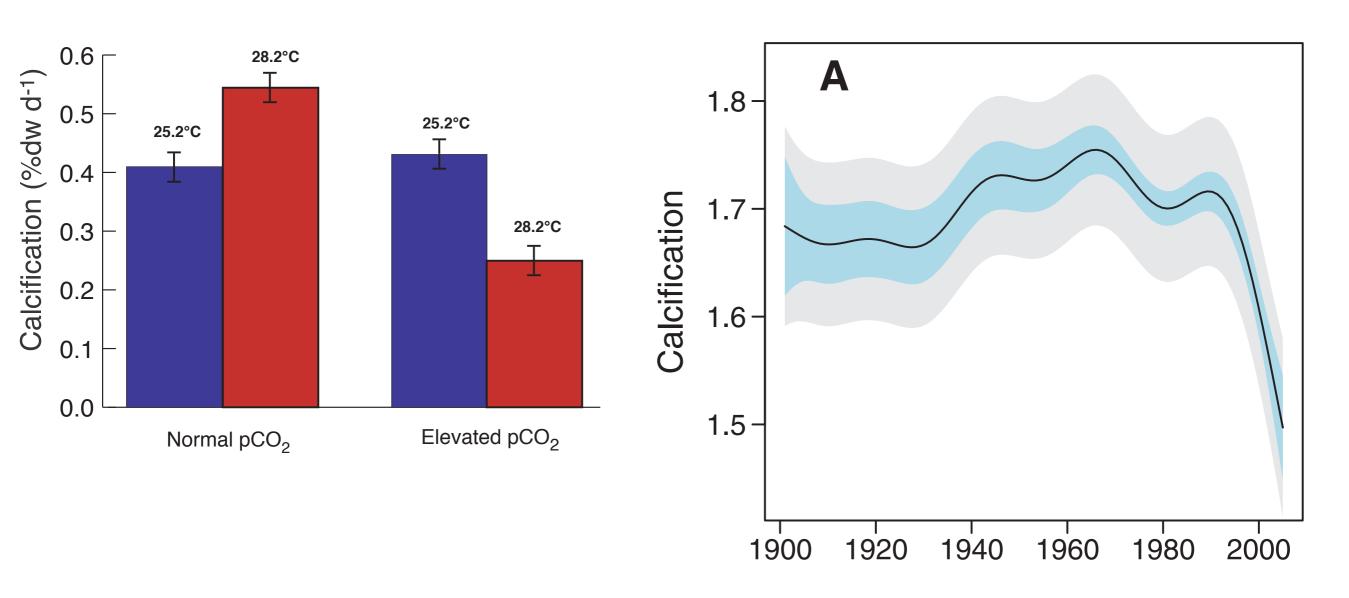
Cao et al. (2007)

### Interaction between ocean warming and acidification



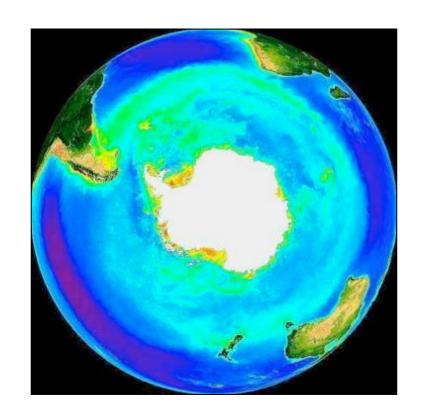
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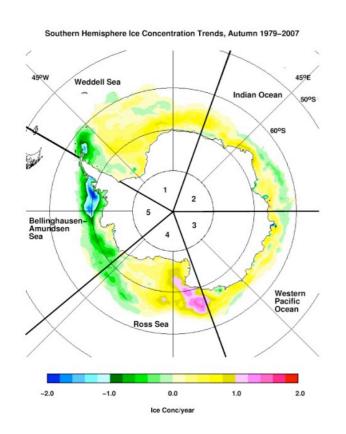
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Reconstruction of coral calcification on the GBR (De'ath et al., 2011)





# Changes -> possible changes?

Ocean

Temperatures, frontal positions, circulation and connectivity, mixed layer depths, variability (SAM, Ozone, Greenhouse?), eddies?

Sea ice
Extent, timing, thickness, drift, variability

Biogeochemistry CO2, upwelling, iron inputs, pH?