

# Snail foraging and temperature: snail foraging data from University of Washington Friday Harbor Laboratories, Friday Harbor WA, Cantilever Point; 2010-2013 (Intertidal Temp Effects project)

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## Project

» [The effects of temperature on ecological processes in a rocky intertidal community: a mechanistic approach](#)  
(Intertidal Temp Effects)

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## Dataset Description

Experimental shoreline data on snail foraging, temperature, and tidal cycling - Snail Foraging Data

## Methods & Sampling

Experimental field experiment conducted in rocky intertidal. Please see related reference.

### Related files and reference:

Hayford HA, SE Gilman, and E Carrington (2015) Foraging behavior minimizes heat exposure in a complex thermal landscape. Marine Ecology Progress Series. 518:165-175

## Data Processing Description

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## BCO-DMO Processing Notes

- Generated from original file "foraging data 473867 HH 5-29-15.xlsx", Sheet: "snail foraging" contributed by Hilary Hayford
- Approx Lat/Lon of experiment locale appended to enable data discovery in MapServer
- Date formatted as YYYYMMDD
- Parameter names edited to conform to BCO-DMO naming convention found at [Choosing Parameter Name](#)

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## Data Files

File
<b>Snail_Foraging.csv</b> (Comma Separated Values (.csv), 18.48 KB) MD5:6e12eefa63076ce1690a176dd630f578
Primary data file for dataset ID 559660

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## Parameters

Parameter	Description	Units
Experiment_Location	Laboratory identifier where experiments were conducted	text
Lat	Latitude position of platform (South is negative)	decimal degrees
Lon	Longitude position of platform (West is negative)	decimal degrees
date	Date of measurement/observation	YYYYMMDD
plot	Replicate number; each consists of independent concrete island mesocosm	dimensionless
total_snails	total number of individual <i>Nucella ostrina</i> present in the plot; occupying any microhabitat	number of individuals
feeding_west	Total number of <i>Nucella ostrina</i> present on bait shell (empty mussel with epibiont barnacles) on western face of block	number of individuals
feeding_east	Total number of <i>Nucella ostrina</i> present on bait shell (empty mussel with epibiont barnacles) on eastern face of block	number of individuals
block_west	Total number of <i>Nucella ostrina</i> present on western face of block; presumably searching for food source	number of individuals
block_east	Total number of <i>Nucella ostrina</i> present on eastern face of block; presumably searching for food source	number of individuals
foraging_west	Equal to the sum of feeding_west and block_west	number of individuals
foraging_east	Equal to the sum of feeding_east and block_east	number of individuals

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## Deployments

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<b>Website</b>	<a href="https://www.bco-dmo.org/deployment/59061">https://www.bco-dmo.org/deployment/59061</a>
<b>Platform</b>	lab UW FHL OAEL
<b>Report</b>	<a href="http://depts.washington.edu/fhl/oael.html">http://depts.washington.edu/fhl/oael.html</a>
<b>Start Date</b>	2010-09-01
<b>End Date</b>	2013-08-31
<b>Description</b>	FHL Ocean Acidification Environmental Laboratory (OAEL) Overview FHL completed construction of a new 1500 sq. ft. experimental facility for ocean acidification research in summer 2011. The facility was funded by an award from NSF's Field Stations and Marine Laboratories (FSML) program, matching funds from the University of Washington, and private donors. The experimental facility currently includes an analytical chemistry laboratory, indoor mesocosms fed by a custom seawater-CO2 blending system and temperature control, laboratory space, as well as outdoor in-water mesocosms. Led by Dr. Emily Carrington, OAEL Director ( <a href="mailto:ecarring@uw.edu">ecarring@uw.edu</a> ), this state-of-the-art ocean acidification facility offers unique research and instructional opportunities for experimental manipulations with on-site monitoring of carbonate system parameters. FHL's location, facilities, and educational mission combine to make an ideal site for the experimental mesocosm and analytical facility.

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## Project Information

### The effects of temperature on ecological processes in a rocky intertidal community: a mechanistic approach (Intertidal Temp Effects)

**Website:** <http://depts.washington.edu/nucella/>

**Coverage:** San Juan Islands, Washington, USA

(Extracted from the NSF Award abstract)

Temperature influences organismal physiology, behavior, community interactions, and ecosystem function; yet rarely are the mechanisms understood. Accurately predicting the consequences of temperature for a species requires knowledge of: local climatic conditions, the relationship between climate and organismal body temperature, and the physiological and ecological consequences of body temperature. Few studies to date have explored all three areas concurrently. This project will examine in detail the biophysical, physiological, and ecological effects of temperature on a rocky intertidal community, a marine ecosystem that has emerged as a model system for studying the ecological consequences of temperature. It will focus on three major species, representative of rocky marine shore species worldwide: the barnacle, *Balanus glandula*, its predator *Nucella ostrina*, and the rockweed *Fucus gardneri*, which provides shelter for both species. The research is centered around three major goals: to develop biophysical models to explicitly link local climate to organismal body temperatures; to develop energy budget models to relate organismal body temperature to individual performance; and to identify the effect of temperature on interactions among the three species through a series of laboratory and field experiments. This research will provide a model system for understanding the effects of temperature on both individual performance and species interactions. It represents a significant contribution to understanding basic ecological questions, such as the role of temperature in structuring communities, and will also contribute to a more mechanistic understanding of the ecological consequences of future climate changes.

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