

# Oxygen concentrations measured at increasing distances over coral-algal interactions at Moorea, French Polynesia (Vermetids\_Corals project)

**Website:** <https://www.bco-dmo.org/dataset/720960>

**Data Type:** Other Field Results

**Version:** 2017-10-05

## Project

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(Vermetids\_Corals)

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## Coverage

**Spatial Extent:** N:-17.47279 E:-149.78277 S:-17.48365 W:-149.84698

## Dataset Description

Belongs to set of datasets that evaluate how vermetid (*Ceraesignum maximum*) modify physical and chemical conditions above coral-algal interactions (i.e., light, flow and oxygen).

Oxygen concentrations measured at increasing distances over coral-algal interactions in the presence and absence of vermetid mucus nets in the light, in low and high flow.

## Related Datasets:

- BrownOsenberg\_2018- Fluorescein dye: <https://www.bco-dmo.org/dataset/717831>
- BrownOsenberg\_2018- FIDyeSurvey: <https://www.bco-dmo.org/dataset/720777>
- BrownOsenberg\_2018- InitO2\_DBLthick: <https://www.bco-dmo.org/dataset/720822>
- BrownOsenberg\_2018- LightSensor: <https://www.bco-dmo.org/dataset/720874>
- BrownOsenberg\_2018- OxygenConcentrations: <https://www.bco-dmo.org/dataset/720960> (The current page.)

## Methods & Sampling

Experiments and surveys were conducted in the field to determine how vermetids affect light, flow and oxygen concentrations. Below are the methods for the experiment:

Samples are cores removed from the field with intact interactions (half massive Porites corals and half algal turf). Samples were removed with pneumatic drill with a hole saw attachment.

Oxygen concentration profiles were measured using a PreSens needle microsensor oxygen probe (diameter: <50  $\mu\text{m}$ ) attached to a PreSens Microx TX3 system (PreSens Precision Sensing GmbH). The probe was attached to a micromanipulator, which allowed fine-scale, precise motion to measure oxygen concentration profiles. The probe was lowered through the net to the coral surface.

## Data Processing Description

### BCO-DMO Processing:

- added conventional header with dataset name, PI name, version date
- modified parameter names to conform with BCO-DMO naming conventions
- added ISO Date format generated from date and time values

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## Parameters

Parameter	Description	Units
Height	Distance from the surface (starting at 0)	UNKNOWN (REQUESTING FROM SUBMITTER)
ID_15LNetHiAT	Core ID 15; Light; Net; High Flow; Algal Turf	micromole per liter ( $\mu\text{mol/L}$ )
ID_15LNonHiAT	Core ID 15; Light; No Net; High Flow; Algal Turf	micromole per liter ( $\mu\text{mol/L}$ )
ID_18LNetHiAT	Core ID 18; Light; Net; High Flow; Algal Turf	micromole per liter ( $\mu\text{mol/L}$ )
ID_18LNonHiAT	Core ID 18; Light; No Net; High Flow; Algal Turf	micromole per liter ( $\mu\text{mol/L}$ )
ID_20LNetHiAT	Core ID 20; Light; Net; High Flow; Algal Turf	micromole per liter ( $\mu\text{mol/L}$ )
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ID_15LNetLoCor	Core ID 15; Light; Net; Lo Flow; Coral	micromole per liter (umol/L)
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ID_22LNoNHilnt	Core ID 22; Light; No Net; High Flow; Interface	micromole per liter (umol/L)
ID_29LNetHilnt	Core ID 29; Light; Net; High Flow; Interface	micromole per liter (umol/L)
ID_29LNoNHilnt	Core ID 29; Light; No Net; High Flow; Interface	micromole per liter (umol/L)
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ID_18LNetLoInt	Core ID 18; Light; Net; Low Flow; Interface	micromole per liter (umol/L)
ID_18LNoNLoInt	Core ID 18; Light; No Net; Low Flow; Interface	micromole per liter (umol/L)
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ID_29LNoNLoInt	Core ID 29; Light; No Net; Low Flow; Interface	micromole per liter (umol/L)

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## Instruments

<b>Dataset-specific Instrument Name</b>	PreSens needle microsensor oxygen probe
<b>Generic Instrument Name</b>	Oxygen Sensor
<b>Dataset-specific Description</b>	Oxygen concentration profiles were measured using a PreSens needle microsensor oxygen probe (diameter:
<b>Generic Instrument Description</b>	An electronic device that measures the proportion of oxygen (O <sub>2</sub> ) in the gas or liquid being analyzed

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## Deployments

### Osenberg et al Moorea

<b>Website</b>	<a href="https://www.bco-dmo.org/deployment/644752">https://www.bco-dmo.org/deployment/644752</a>
<b>Platform</b>	Osenberg et al Moorea
<b>Start Date</b>	2003-05-19
<b>End Date</b>	2015-07-12

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## Project Information

**Spatial patterns of coral-vermetid interactions: short-term effects and long-term consequences (Vermetids\_Corals)**

**Coverage:** Moorea, French Polynesia (-17.48 degrees S, -149.82 degrees W)

*Description from NSF abstract:*

Ecological surprises are most likely to be manifest in diverse communities where many interactions remain uninvestigated. Coral reefs harbor much of the world's biodiversity, and recent studies by the investigators suggest that one overlooked, but potentially important, biological interaction involves vermetid gastropods. Vermetid gastropods are nonmobile, tube-building snails that feed via an extensive mucus net. Vermetids reduce coral growth by up to 80%, and coral survival by as much as 60%. Because effects vary among coral taxa, vermetids may substantially alter the structure of coral communities as well as the community of fishes and invertebrates that inhabit the coral reef.

The investigators will conduct a suite of experimental and observational studies that: 1) quantify the effects of four species of vermetids across coral species to assess if species effects and responses are concordant or idiosyncratic; 2) use meta-analysis to compare effects of vermetids relative to other coral stressors and determine the factors that influence variation in coral responses; 3) determine the role of coral commensals that inhabit the branching coral, Pocillopora, and evaluate how the development of the commensal assemblage modifies the deleterious effects of vermetids; 4) determine how vermetid mucus nets affect the local environment of corals and evaluate several hypotheses about proposed mechanisms; and 5) assess the long-term implications of vermetids on coral communities and the fishes and invertebrates that depend on the coral.

**Note:** The Principal Investigator, Dr. Craig W. Osenberg, was at the University of Florida at the time the NSF award was granted. Dr. Osenberg moved to the University of Georgia during the summer of 2014 ([current contact information](#)).

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## Funding

Funding Source	Award
<a href="#">NSF Division of Ocean Sciences (NSF OCE)</a>	<a href="#">OCE-1130359</a>

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