

Working towards sustainable fishing in the Adriatic: nurseries and spawning grounds of *Solea solea*



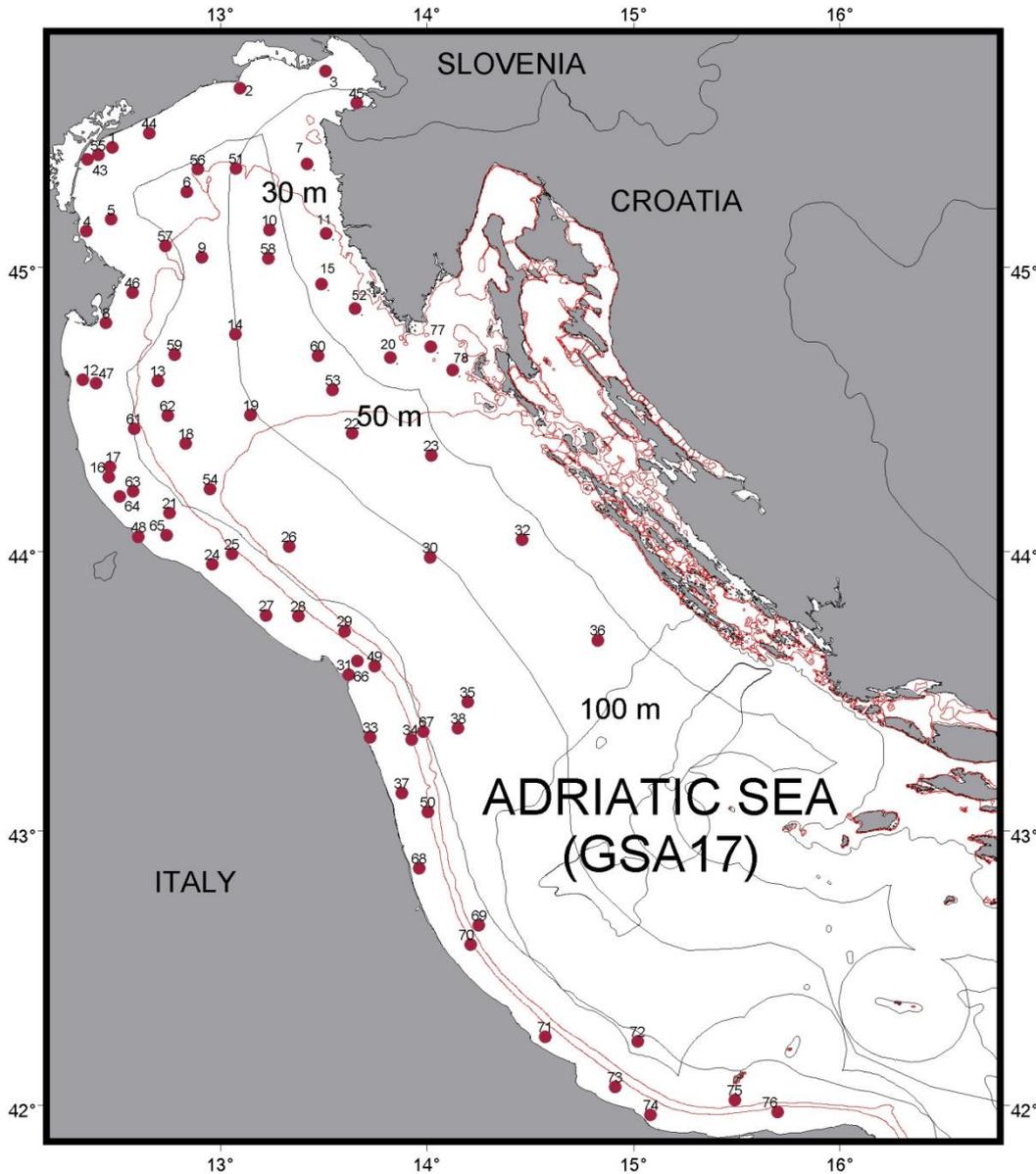
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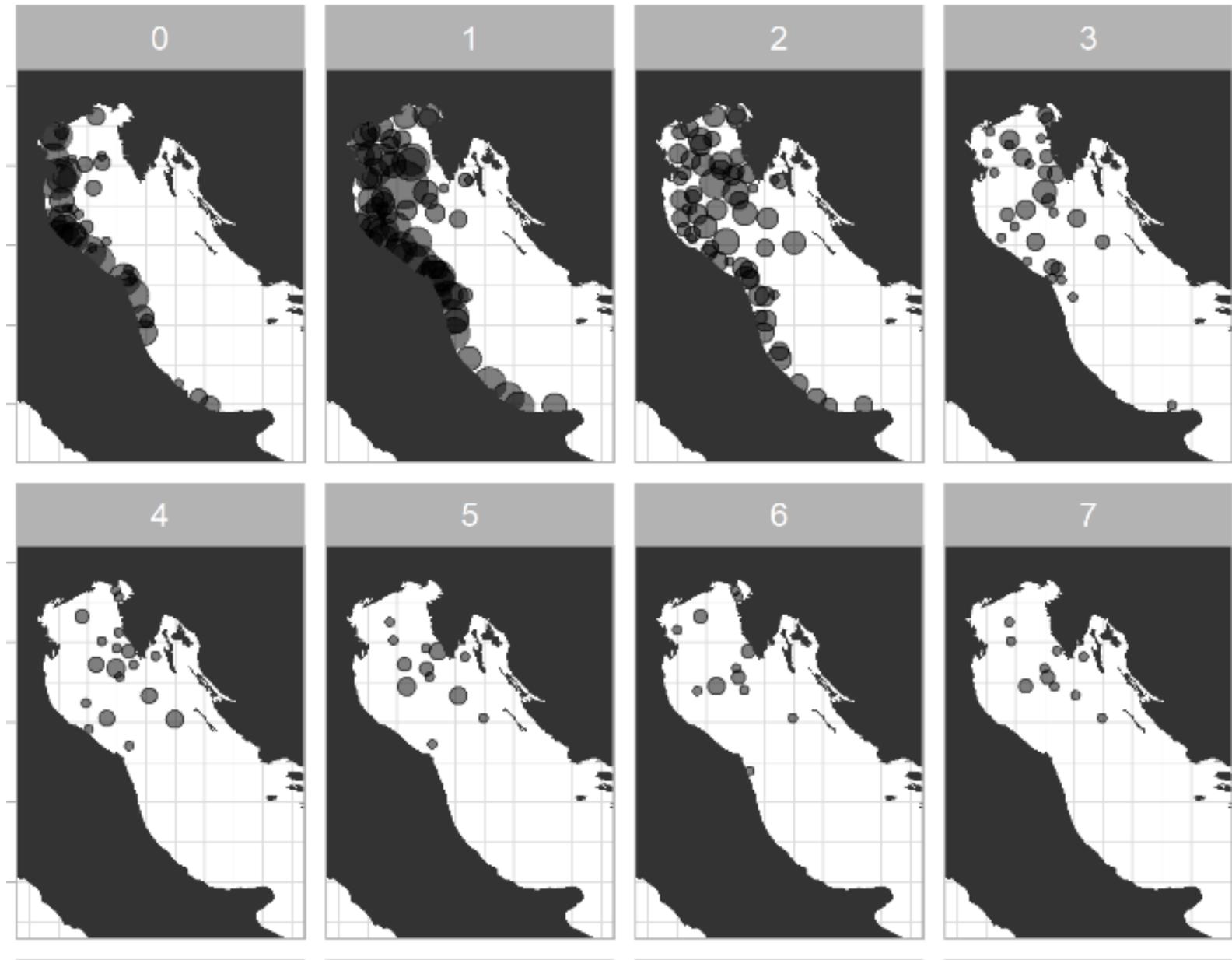
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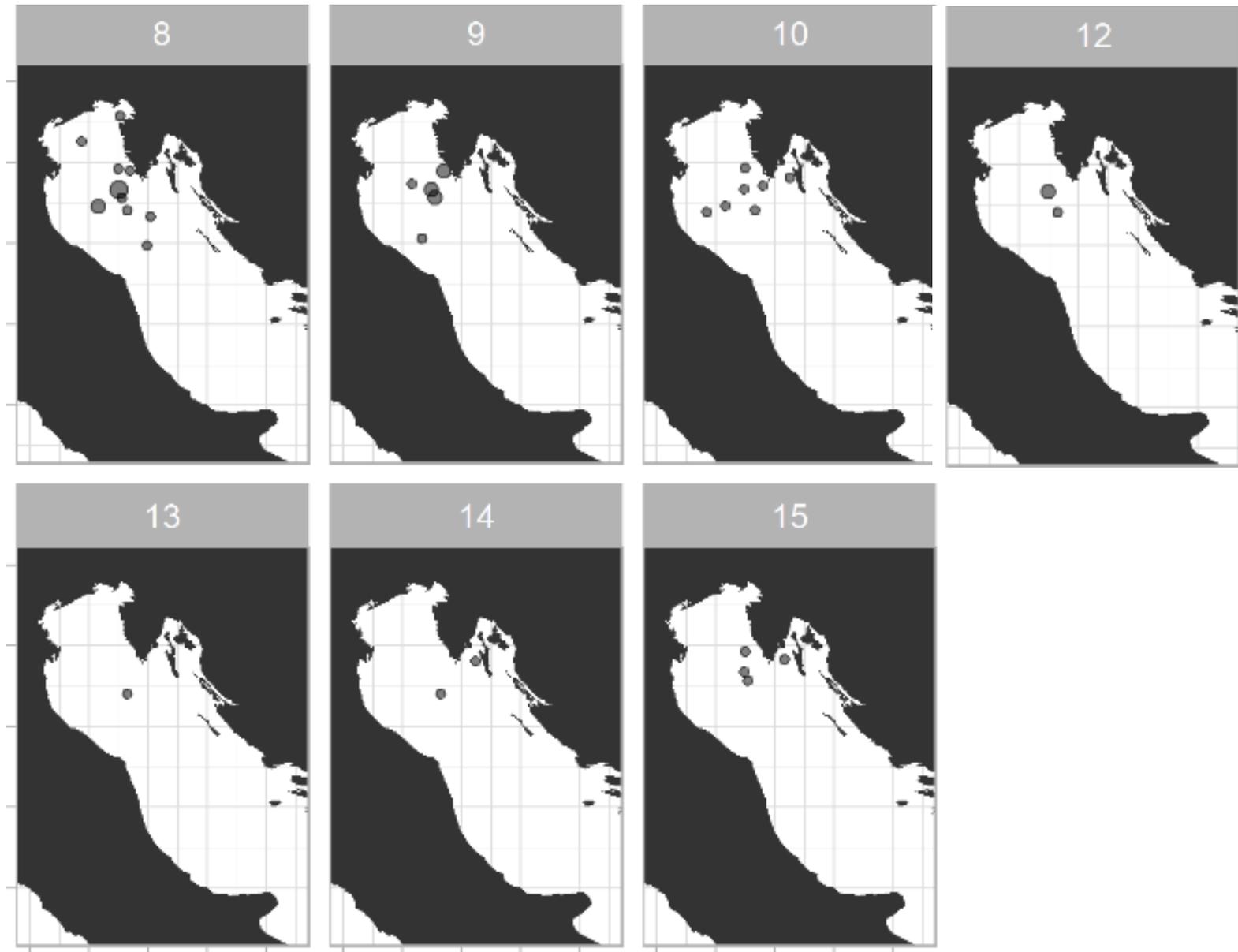
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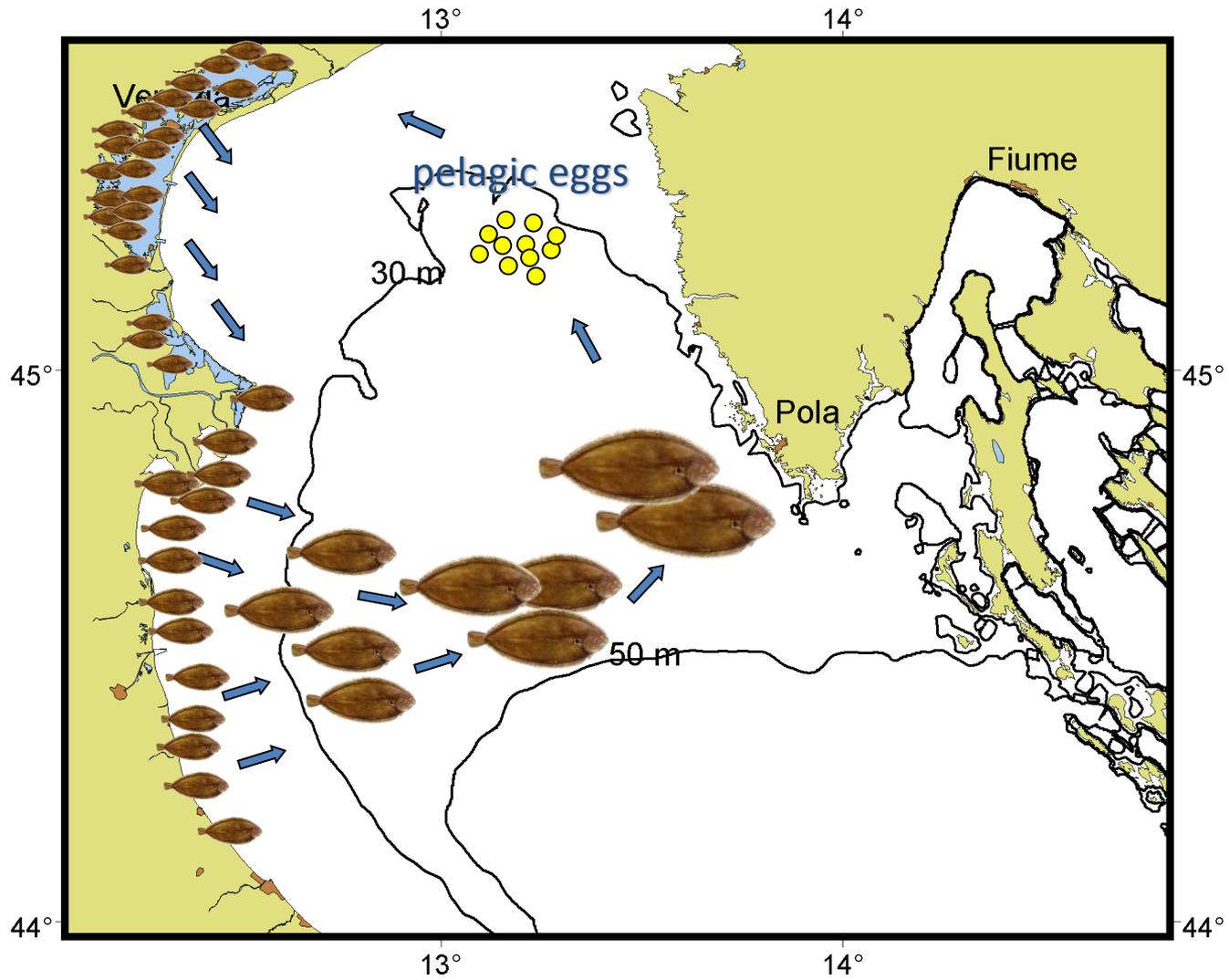
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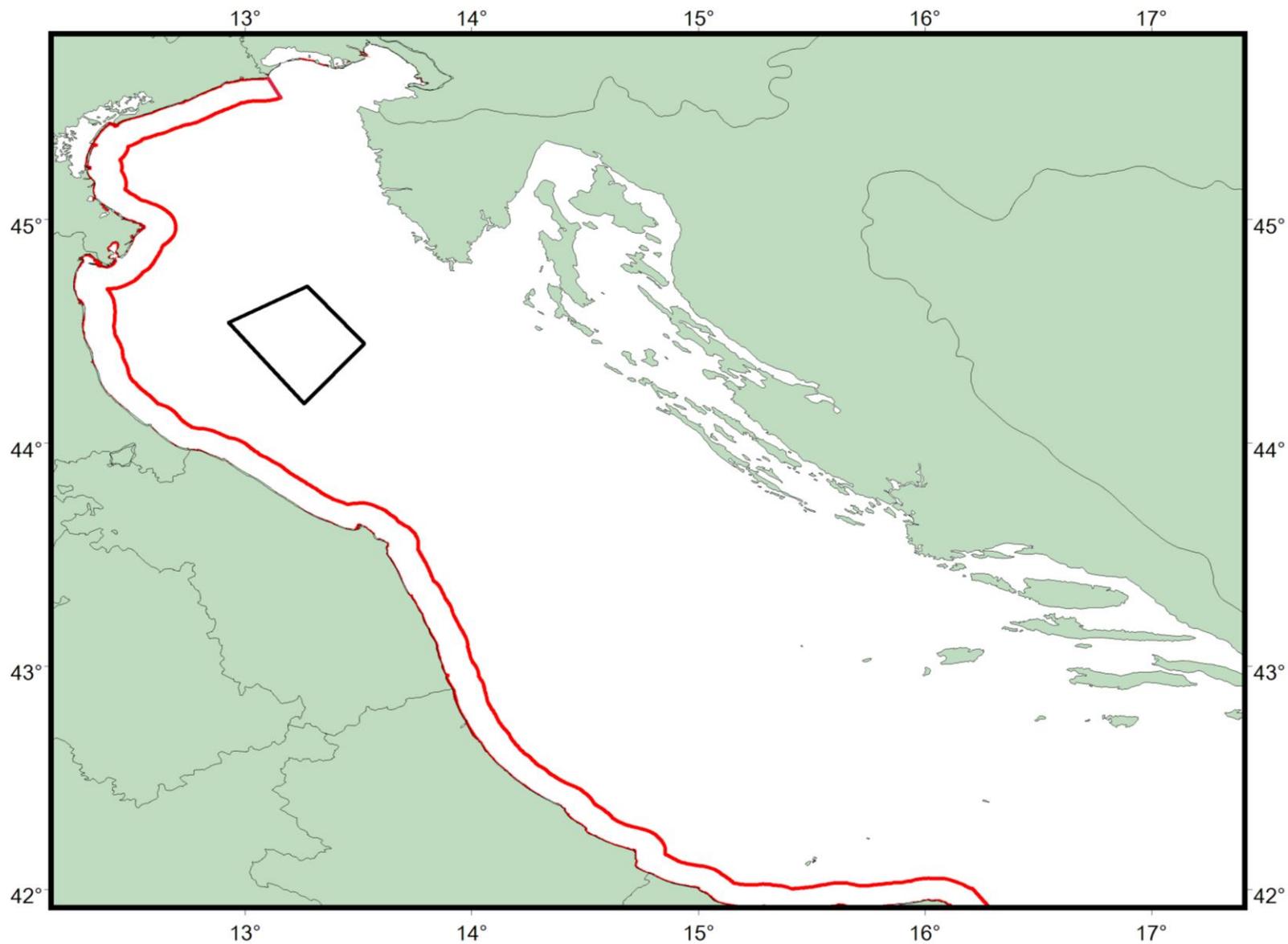
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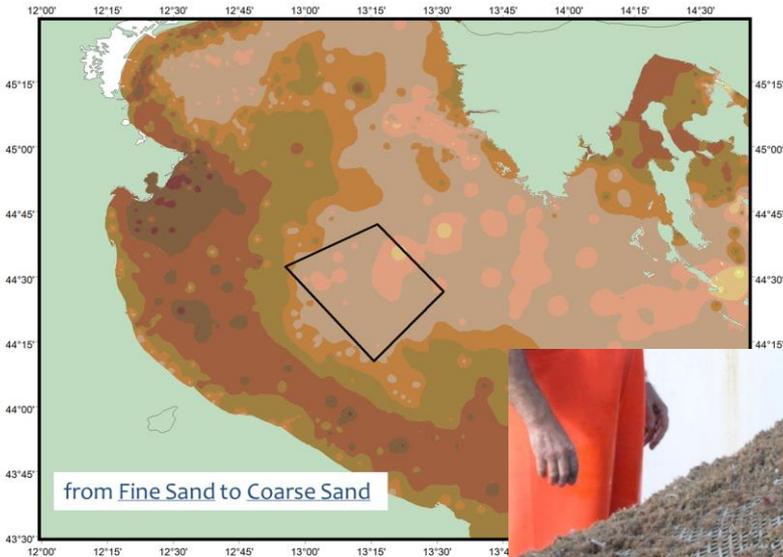
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6 mn and Sole Sanctuary

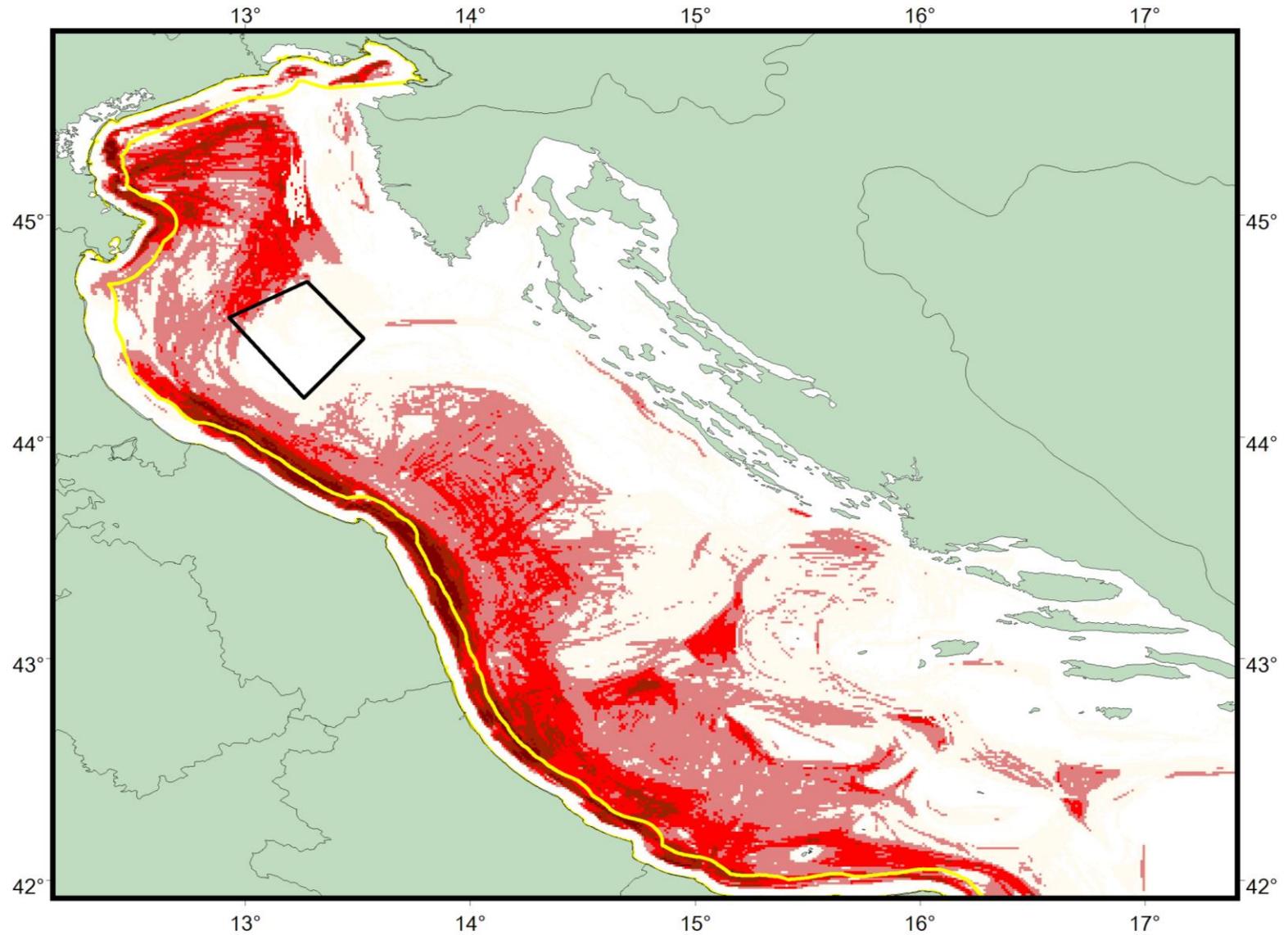


Sole Sanctuary

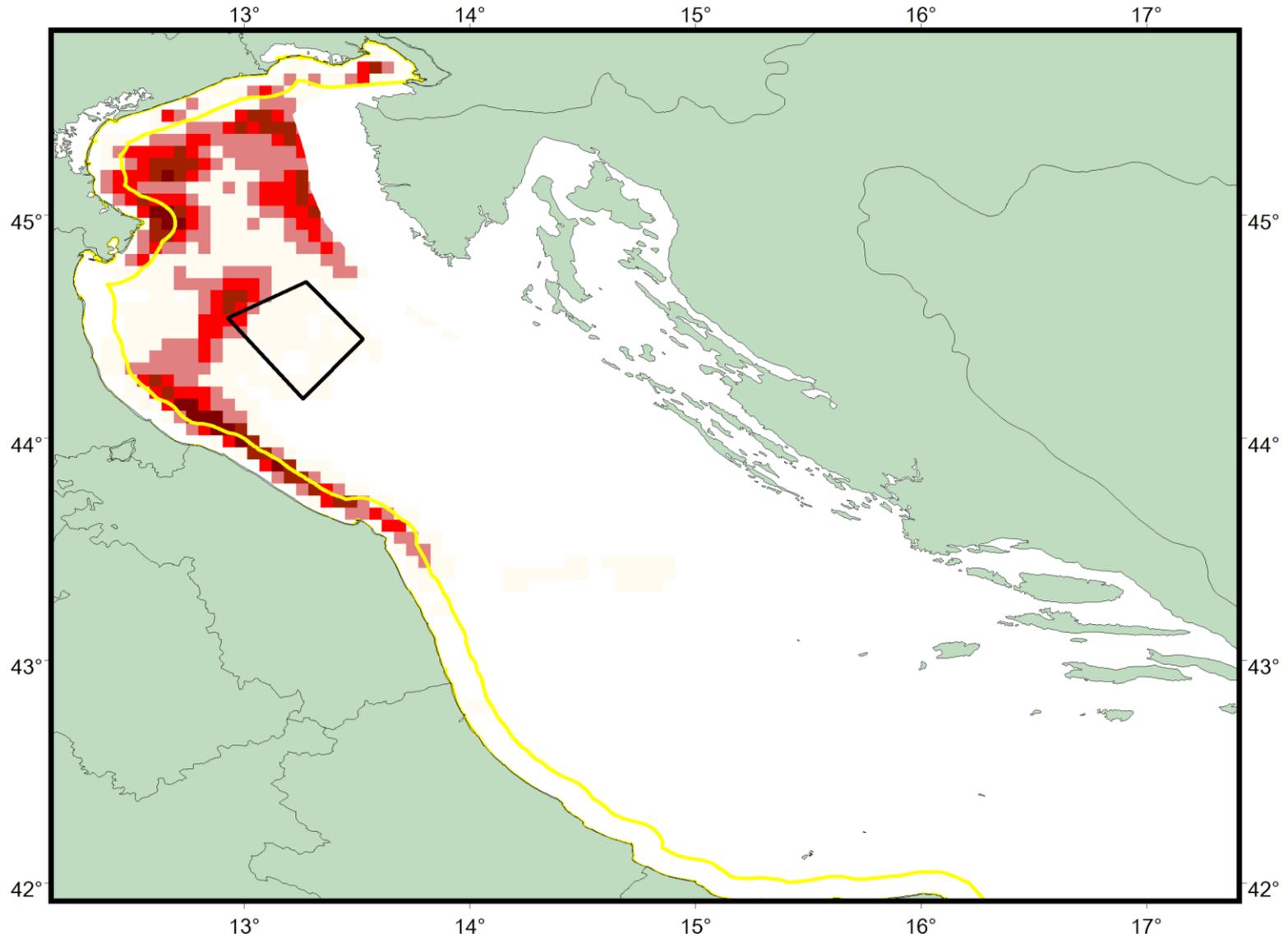


Peculiar megazoobenthic assemblage which strongly reduces the efficiency of towed gears (*A. semiconvoluta*) and damages the catch (evisceration of holoturians)

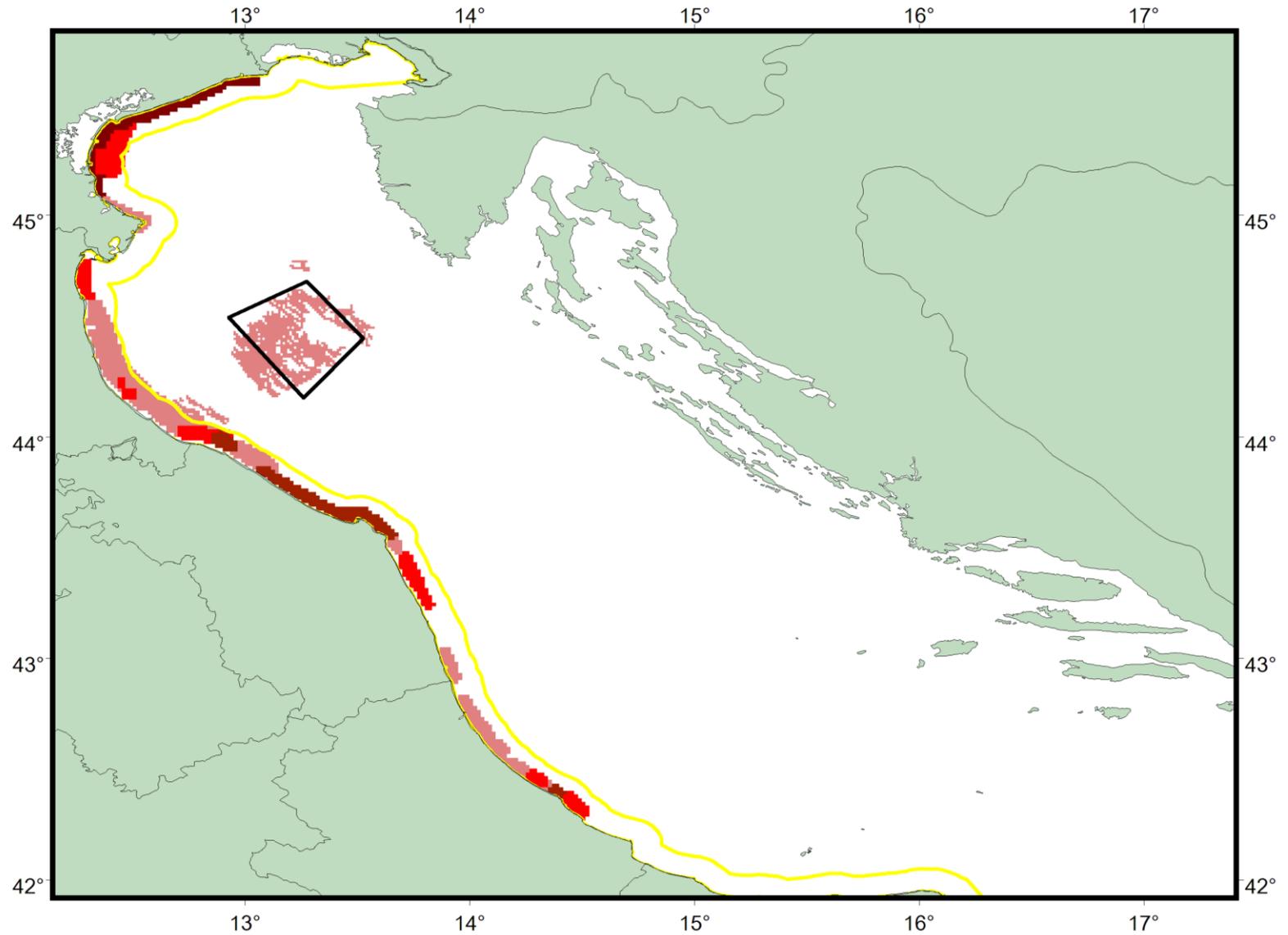
Fishing activities – Otter trawling



Fishing activities – Rapido trawling



Fishing activities – Set nets



DISPLACE

A spatial model of fisheries to help maritime spatial planning



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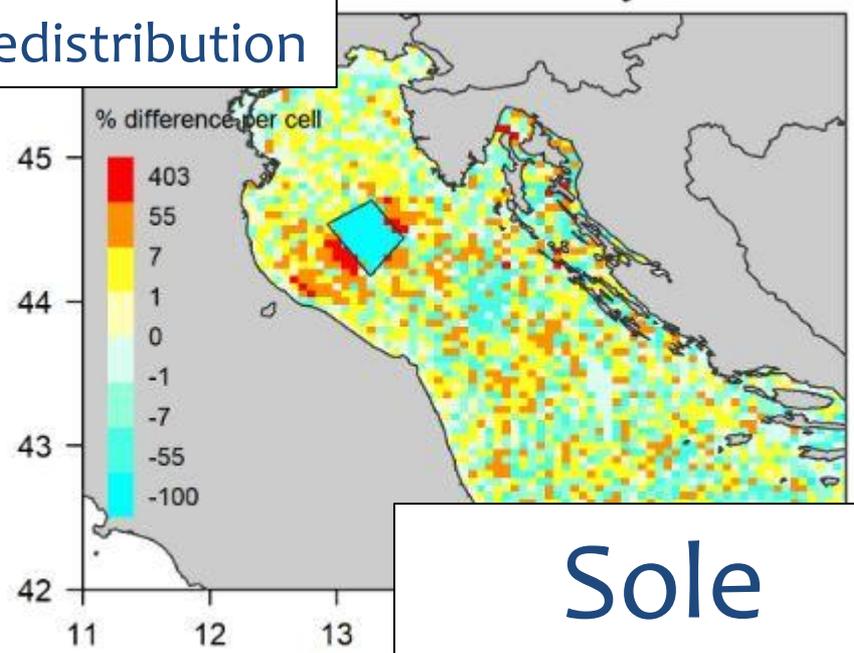
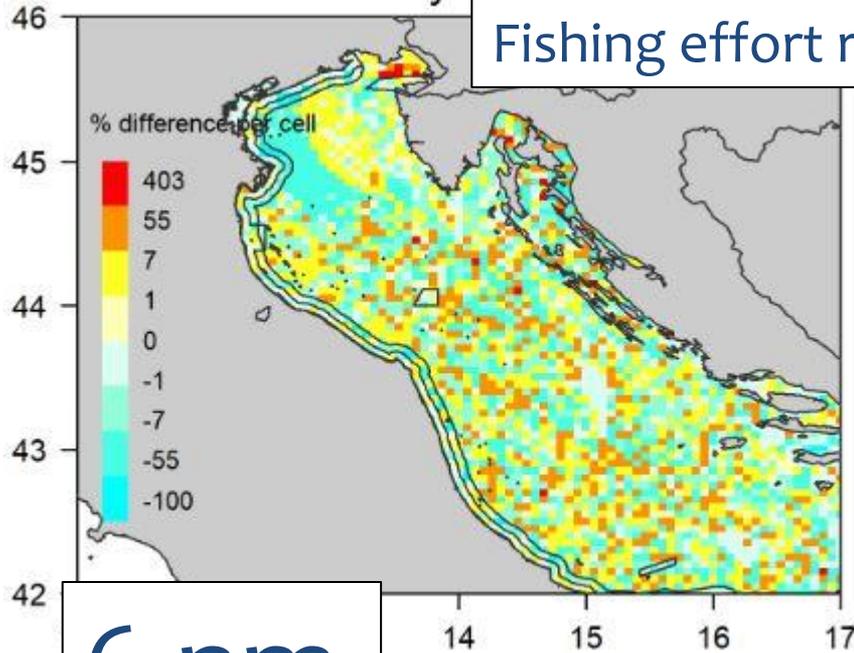
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Multiannual Plan for the fisheries
exploiting demersal stocks in the
Adriatic Sea
(STECF-19-02)

Tested scenarios:

- 6 nm – ban for rapido and otter trawl all year
- Sole Sanctuary – ban for rapido and otter trawl all year, and set nets from December to February

DORY Project simulations

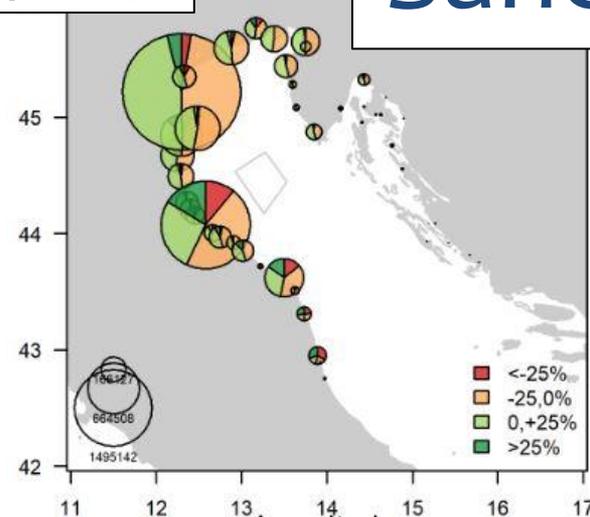
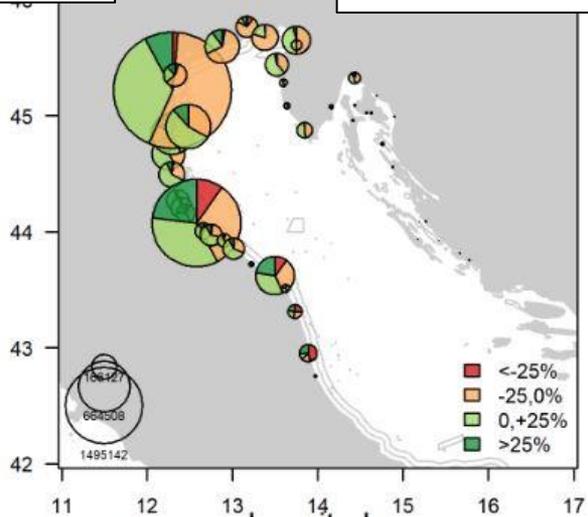
Fishing effort redistribution



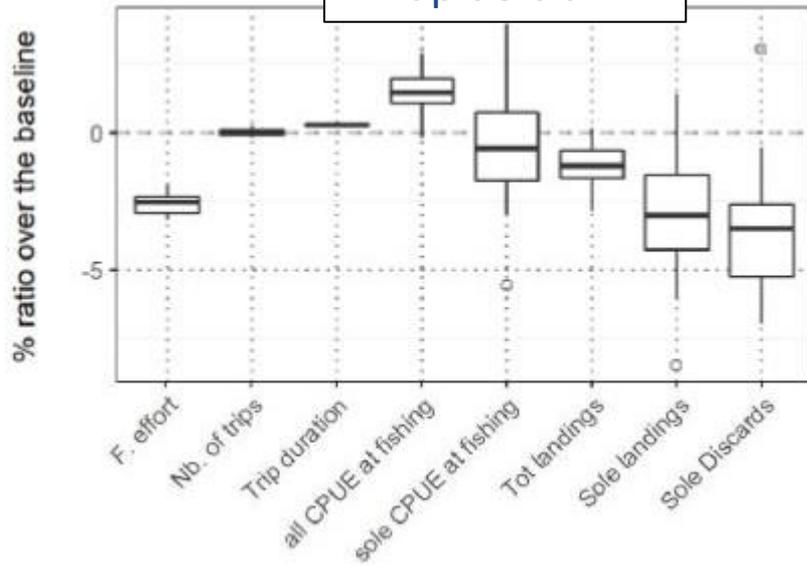
6 nm

Sole
Sanctuary

Income inequality

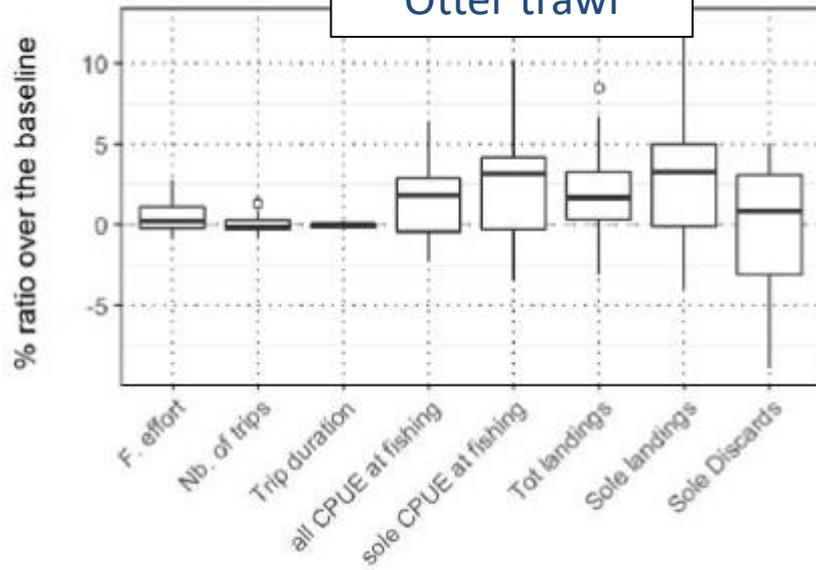


Rapido trawl

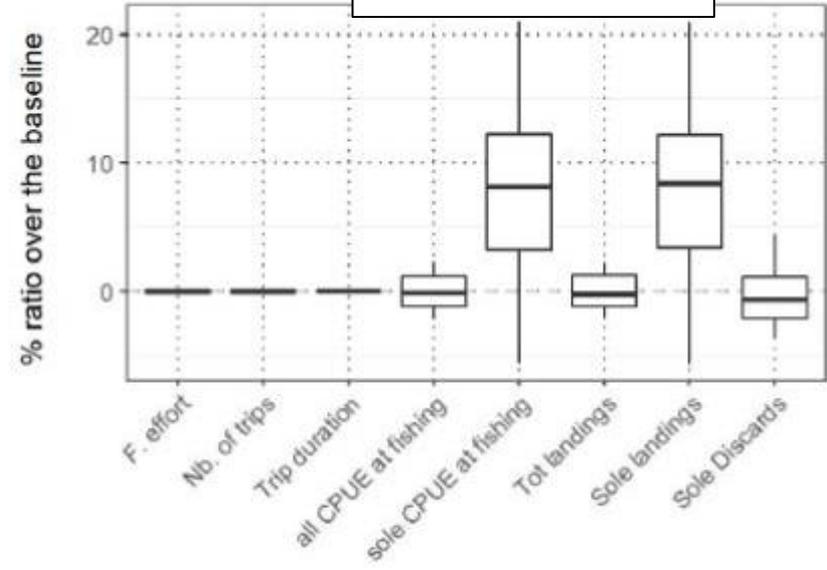


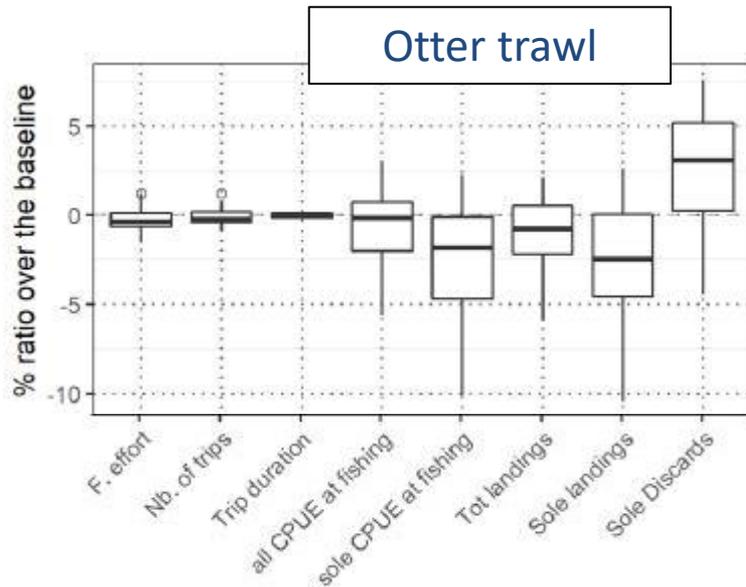
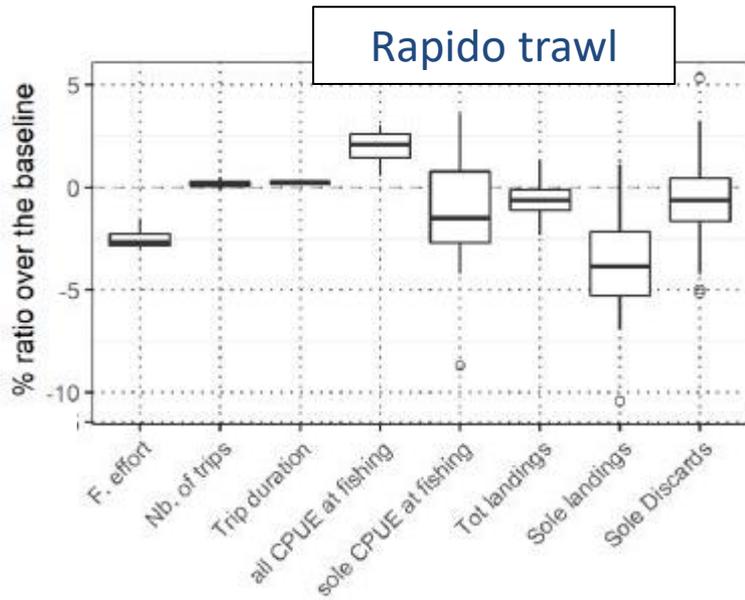
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Otter trawl

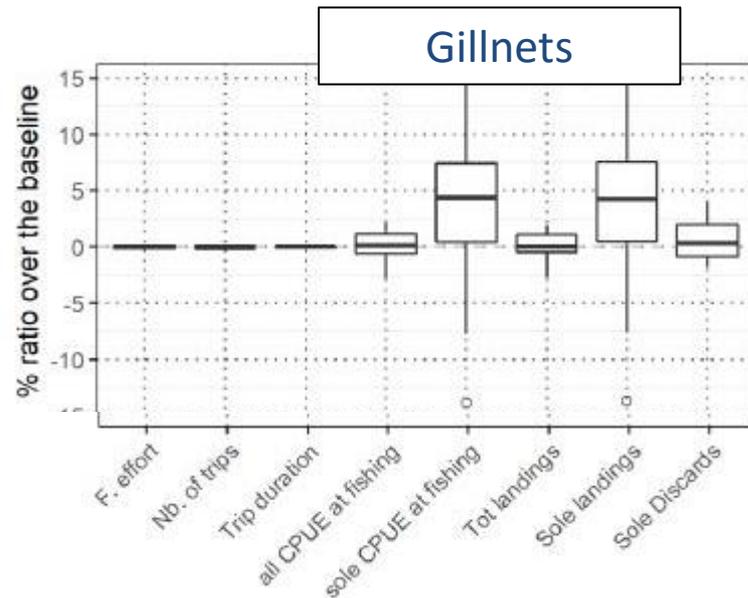


Gillnets





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CONCLUSIONS

- ❖ 6-nm closure: results show an increase of sole landings in the medium-term for set netters;
- ❖ Sole Sanctuary closure: results show little effect on the fishery sectors, because this area is currently exploited only by a few set netters (i.e., the closure scenario is very similar to the baseline);
- ❖ The protection of the Sanctuary could be considered as a precautionary measure in order to a) protect spawners in case innovation on gear technology would allow the exploitation of these «untrawlable» grounds; b) prevent the potential exploitation of holothurians (e.g., Asian markets)



Thanks for your attention

Any questions?