

ISTRAŽIVANJE OKOLIŠNIH UVJETA UNUTAR DVA VAŽNA PODRUČJA UZGOJA ŠKOLJKAŠA NA ISTOČNOJ OBALI JADRANA

A SURVEY OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS AT TWO DISTINCT EASTERN ADRIATIC BIVALVE AQUACULTURE SITES

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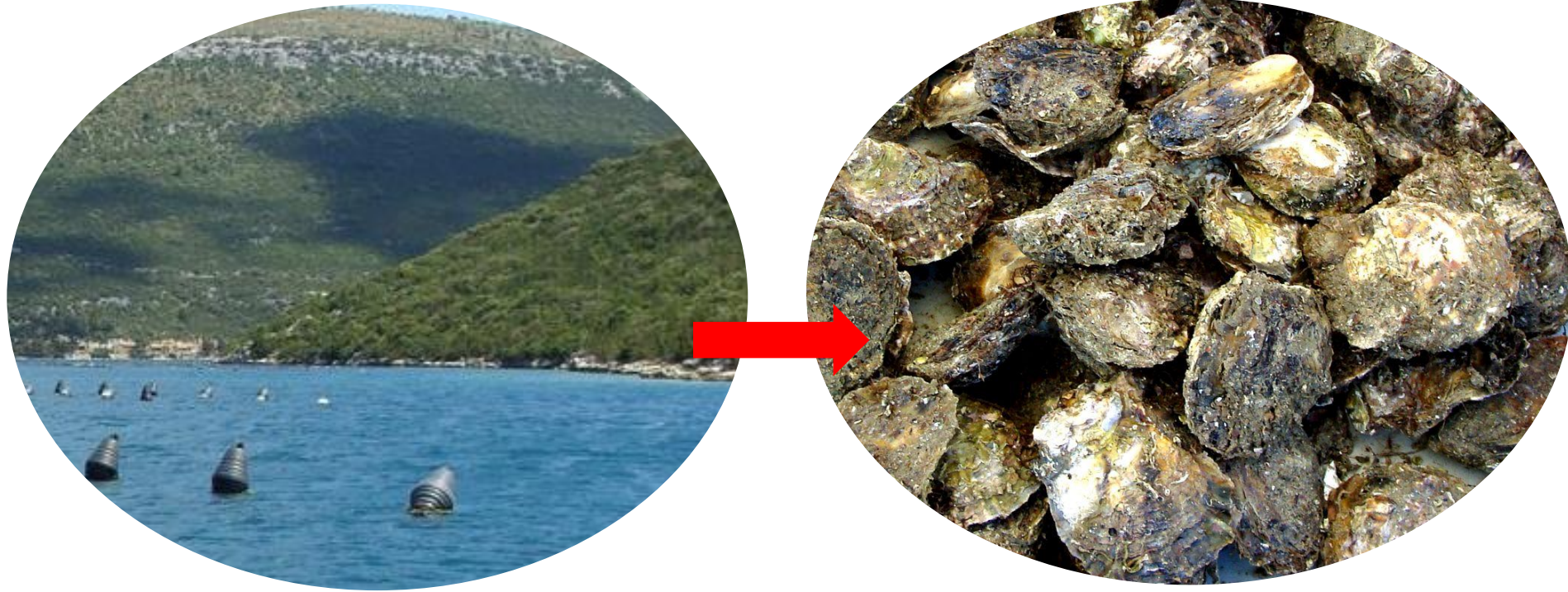

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Introduction

Research objective



1. Microbiological quality of seawater and sediment at two important farming sites
2. Level of common chemical pollutants in the sediment and tissues of farmed bivalves

=> Seasonality and spatial patterns

Methods

Sampling sites, experimental setup



- Lim Bay (LB) & Mali Ston Bay (MSB) - protected marine reserves
- Farmed mussel *Mytilus galloprovincialis* & flat oyster *Ostrea edulis*
- Bimonthly sampling 07/2020 – 05/2021 (bivalves, sediment & seawater)

➤ Physico-chemical seawater parameters

- T, O₂, sal, chl *a*, POM

➤ Fecal indicators of seawater and sediment

- Total coliforms, *E. coli* (Colilert[®]) i enterococci (Enterolert[®]) – substrate technology (IDEXX)

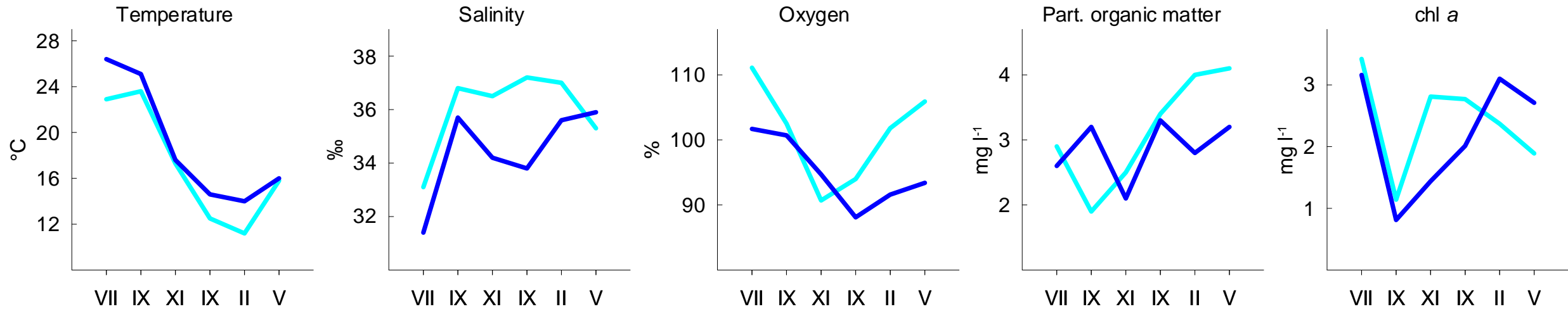
➤ Chemical analyses: tissue & sediment samples (ICP MS, AAS, GC MS)

- Metals (Cu, Zn, Pb, Cd, Hg) & As
- Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs; Σ Naphtalene, Acenaphtene, Fluorene, Phenanthrene, Anthracene, Fluoranthene, Pyrene, Benz[a]anthracene, Chrysene, Benzo[b]fluoranthene, Benzo[k]fluoranthene, Benzo[a]pyrene, Dibenz[a,h]anthracene, Benzo[ghi]perylene, Indeno[1,2,3-cd]pyrene, Acenaphthylene)
- Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs: Σ PCB 28, 52, 101, 118, 153, 105, 138, 156, 180 i 194)
- Pesticides (p,p' – DDTs: Σ p,p'-DDE, p,p'-DDD, p,p'-DDT)

Results & discussion

Physico-chemical parameters

■ Mali Ston Bay ■ Lim Bay

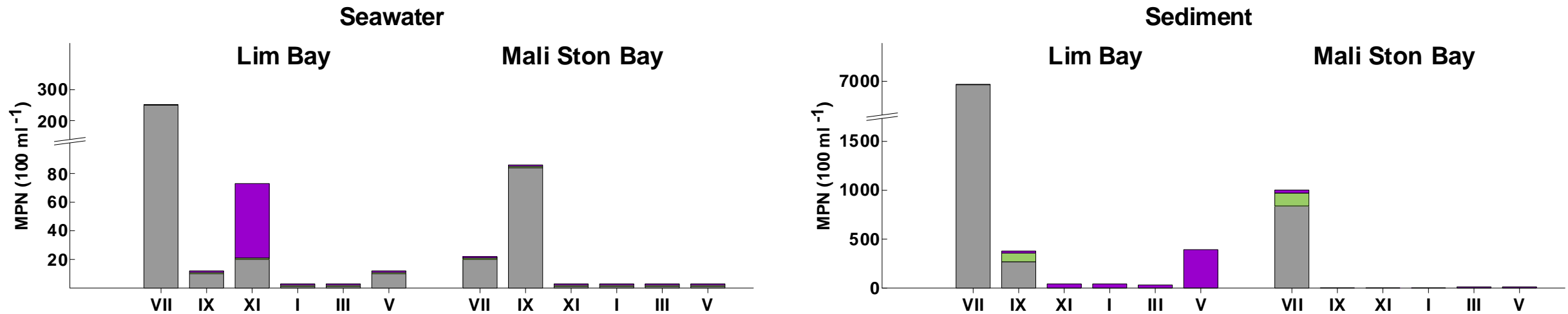


Seawater parameters -> within range typical for Adriatic Sea

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Microbiological quality of seawater and sediment

☒ TOT COLIF ☒ *E.coli* ☒ ENT



- Transient (seasonal) increase, slightly higher at LB in summer
- Comparable to previous reports for Adriatic Sea aquaculture

Results & discussion

SEDIMENT: Concentrations of metals, As i PAHs (avg 07/2020 – 05/2021)

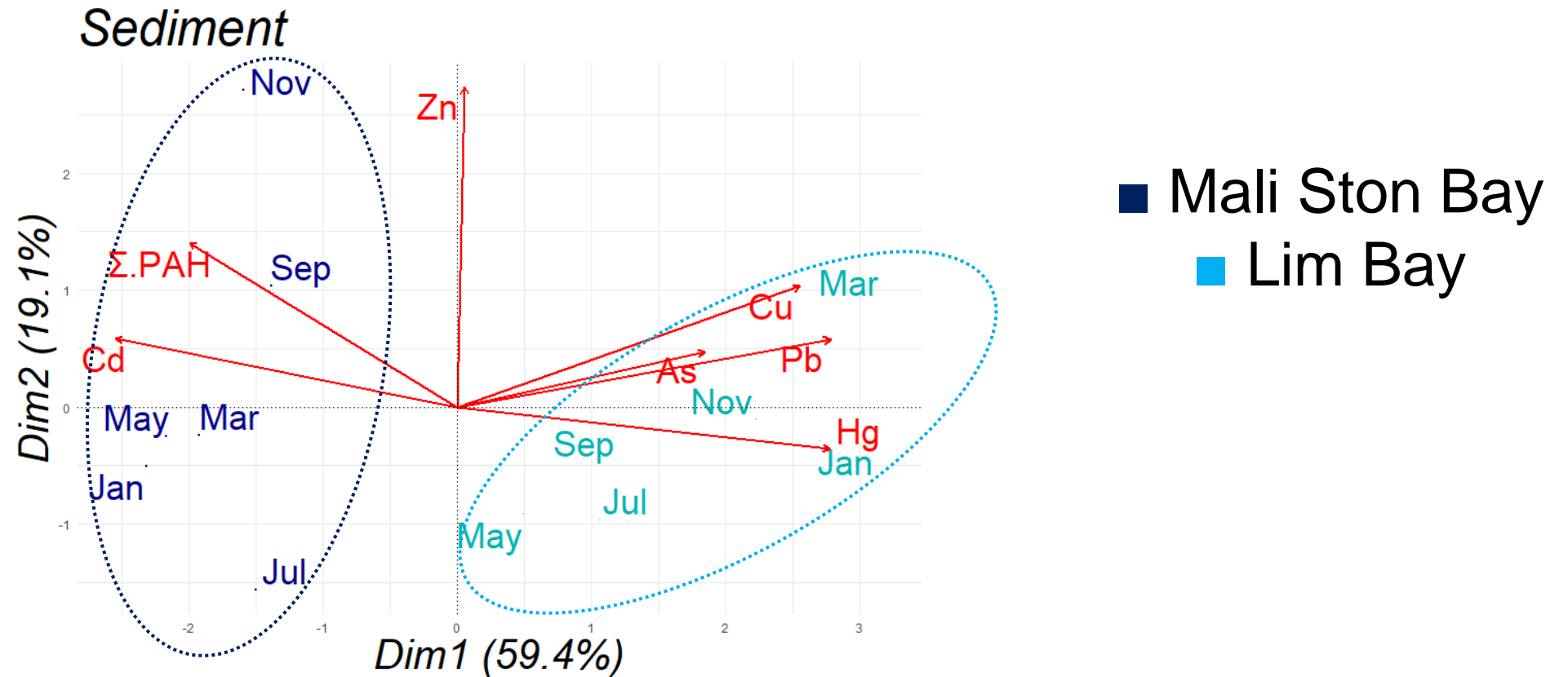
Sediment type:
Lim Bay: slightly gravelly mud
Mali Ston Bay: gravelly mud

	■ Mali Ston Bay		*	■ Lim Bay	
	Median	Min - Max		Median	Min - Max
Cu (µg/g d.w.)	17.93	10.75 - 23.46	*	<u>28.88</u>	13.89 - 63.18
Zn	106.22	64.31 - 521.59		122.49	91.72 - 213.20
Pb	26.71	19.06 - 35.82	*	<u>38.54</u>	24.18 - 41.87
Cd	<u>0.206</u>	0.16 - 0.60	*	0.11	0.09 - 0.20
As	15.11	12.16 - 18.90		17.65	7.92 - 20.22
Hg	0.043	0.03 - 0.08	*	<u>0.14</u>	0.09 - 0.19
ΣPAHs (ng/g d.w.)	<u>300.24</u>	110.63 - 580.23	*	125.86	6.06 - 938.10

LB vs MSB *p<0.05

Results & discussion

SEDIMENT SAMPLES PCA: metals, As, Σ PAHs + Jun, Sep, Nov Jan, Mar & May



- LB ≠ MSB
- Seasonality
- MSB – PAHs & Cd; LB – Cu, Pb & Hg

Results & discussion

TISSUES : Concentrations of metals, As, ΣPAH, ΣPCB & ΣDDT (avg 07/2020 – 05/2021)

μg/g d.w.	<i>Mytilus galloprovincialis</i>				<i>Ostrea edulis</i>			
	■ Mali Ston Bay		■ Lim Bay		■ Mali Ston Bay		■ Lim Bay	
	Median	Min - Max	Median	Min - Max	Median	Min - Max	Median	Min - Max
Cu	4.94	3.21 - 13.60	4.89	3.06 - 7.34	173.16	80.33 - 301.62	134.71	67.91 - 211.04
Zn	118.22	89.12 - 194.59	103.78	76.22 - 167.52	2210.70	1253.24 - 2875.04	* 2725.13	2006.64 - 3978.38
Pb	1.09	0.73 - 1.57	1.00	0.69 - 1.85	0.48	0.30 - 0.64	0.62	0.28 - 1.61
Cd	1.2	0.83 - 1.88	* 0.75	0.55 - 1.28	3.69	2.49 - 4.51	3.86	2.56 - 5.99
As	37.19	31.99 - 54.73	* 20.68	18.19 - 43.20	34.42	25.03 - 45.79	* 22.89	16.56 - 29.16
Hg	0.16	0.10 - 0.23	0.09	0.07 - 0.16	0.14	0.09 - 0.17	0.15	0.09 - 0.20
ΣPCB	4.3	1.00 - 24.20	* 23.30	2.00 - 35.00	12.20	4.40 - 23.20	18.95	5.90 - 44.10
Σp,p' DDTs	1.65	1.20 - 5.60	* 1.85	1.00 - 7.20	1.85	1.00 - 4.70	1.70	1.00 - 5.40
ΣPAHs	20.69	8.97 - 86.75	* 12.66	1.21 - 52.87	19.09	6.99 - 80.95	21.22	6.63 - 45.67

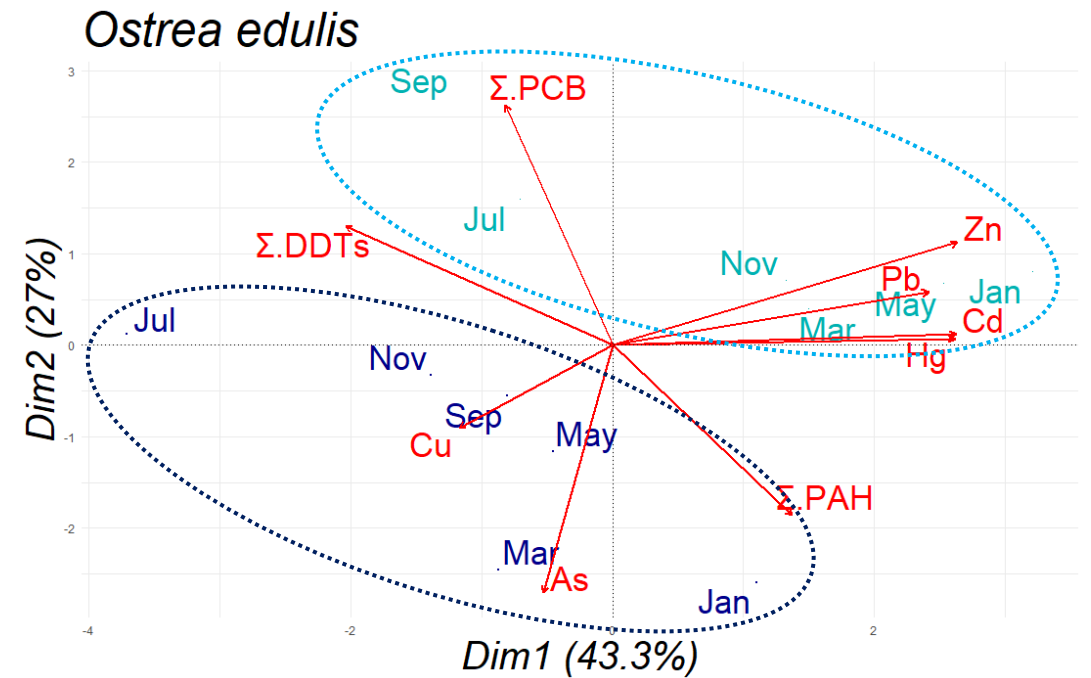
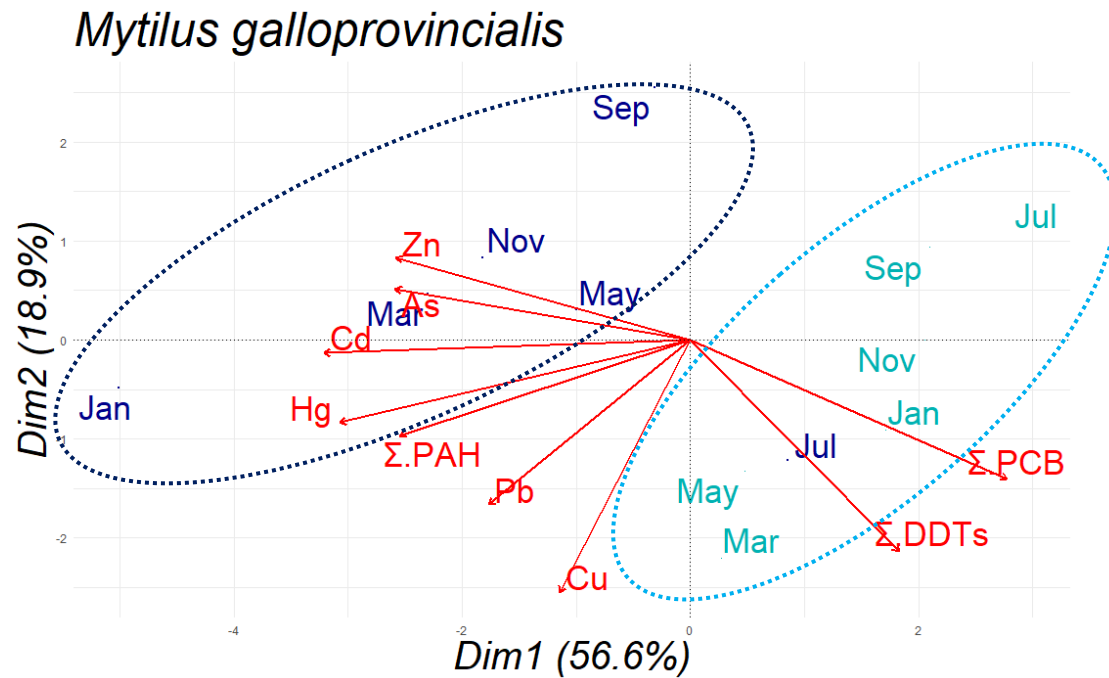
LB vs MSB *p<0.05

- values *generally* comparable to previous reports for eastern Adriatic farmed bivalves
- As: ↑ MSB vs LB

Results & discussion

TISSUE SAMPLES PCA: metals, As, Σ PCBs, Σ DDTs & Σ PAHs + Jun, Sep, Nov Jan, Mar & May

■ Mali Ston Bay ■ Lim Bay



- LB \neq MSB
- Seasonality

CONCLUSIONS

- Lim Bay vs Mali Ston Bay: Season & site specific patterns of antropogenic pressure intensity and type
 - Concentrations of potentially toxic pollutants in line with previous reports for eastern Adriatic farmed bivalves =>generally below the levels of concern for moderate seafood consumption (e.g. Bilandžić et al, 2016; Gavrilović et al, 2007; Herceg-Romanić et al, 2014; Milun et al, 2016, 2020)
 - What about farmed bivalves?
- => In progress: evaluation of stress response (standard biochemical indicators) with respect to the level of chemical pollutants

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