

## AMT Annual Report 2021

The Atlantic Meridional Transect (AMT)



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### Selected highlights

#### 1. Selected scientific highlights since last report

*Last report was submitted to Brest SSC meeting, June 2019. Each highlight needs to be VERY short, bullet points, with a link to publication if applicable.*

AMT is now in its 26th year of research activities in the Atlantic Ocean. 2020-21 saw the publication of 17 papers, total list of >350 can be found at <https://www.amt-uk.org/Publications>. AMT provides exceptional opportunities to UK and international partners to access the remote regions of the Atlantic Ocean including the rarely visited South Atlantic Gyre. To date 289 individuals from 77 institutes in 29 countries have taken part in AMT cruises, datasets are made publicly available through the British Oceanographic Data Centre ([https://www.bodc.ac.uk/projects/data\\_management/uk/amt/](https://www.bodc.ac.uk/projects/data_management/uk/amt/)) and to-date in excess of 124000 downloads of AMT data have been made since 2011 by the international community. AMT also contributes to capacity building in the developing nations through support from POGO (Partnership for Observation of the Global Ocean) and to date has supported training to 12 individuals.

The COVID pandemic coupled with reduced UK ship availability has meant that there was no cruise during the last 12 months, the first break in the regular series since 2008. The fallout from this situation means that the next cruise will not occur until 2022 at the earliest.

Through PI involvement the AMT project continues extensive collaboration which most recently has involved additional funding and significant alignment with projects funded by European Space Agency (<https://amt4oceansatflux.org/Home>) and the European Union (<https://ciencias.ulisboa.pt/pt/noticia/26-11-2019/atlantic-meriodional-transect> and <https://www.atlanteco.eu/the-project>)

## 2. Publications since last report

Please add all publications since last report to the table below (see notes for details on “Class” and “Activity” fields).

<b>Publication with DOI</b>	<b>Class 1, 2, 3</b>	<b>Activity*</b>
Brewin, R. J. W., Wimmer, W., Bresnahan, P., Cyronak, T., Andersson, A. J., & Dall’Olmo, G. (2021). Comparison of a Smartfin with an infrared sea surface temperature radiometer in the Atlantic Ocean. <i>Remote Sensing</i> , 13(5), 841. doi:10.3390/rs13050841	2	AMT – endorsed project
Larkin, A. A., Garcia, C. A., Brock, M. L., Lee, J. A., Garcia, N., Ustick, L. J., . . . Martiny, A. C. (2021). High spatial resolution global ocean metagenomes from Bio-GO-SHIP repeat hydrography transects. <i>Scientific Data</i> . doi:10.1101/2020.09.06.285056	2	AMT – endorsed project
Smyth, T. J., Tarran, G. A., & Sathyendranath, S. (2021). Sub-micron picoplankton shape, orientation and internal structure combine to preferentially amplify the forward scatter. <i>Optics Express</i> , 29(2), 2014-2024. doi:10.1364/OE.413576	2	AMT – endorsed project
Alikas, K., Vabson, V., Ansko, I., Tilstone, G. H., Dall’Olmo, G., Nencioli, F., . . . Casal, T. (2020). Comparison of above-water Seabird and TriOS radiometers along an Atlantic Meridional Transect. <i>Remote Sensing</i> , 12(10), 1669. doi:10.3390/rs12101669	2	AMT – endorsed project
Baker, A. R., Li, M., & Chance, R. (2020). Trace metal fractional solubility in size-segregated aerosols from the tropical eastern Atlantic Ocean. <i>Global Biogeochemical Cycles</i> , 34(6), e2019GB006510. doi:10.1029/2019GB006510	2	AMT – endorsed project
Banks, A. C., Vendt, R., Alikas, K., Bialek, A., Kuusk, J., Lerebourg, C., . . . Casal, T. (2020). Fiducial Reference Measurements for Satellite Ocean Colour (FRM4SOC). <i>Remote Sensing</i> , 12, 1322. doi:10.3390/rs12081322	2	AMT – endorsed project
Choo, L.-Q., Bal, T. M. P., Goetze, E., & Peijnenburg, K. T. C. A. (2020). Oceanic dispersal barriers in a holoplanktonic gastropod. <i>Journal of Evolutionary Biology</i> , 34(1), 224-240. doi:10.1111/jeb.13735	2	AMT – endorsed project
Dutkiewicz, S., Cermeno, P., Jahn, O., Follows, M. J., Hickman, A. E., Taniguchi, D. A. A., & Ward, B. A. (2020). Dimensions of marine phytoplankton diversity. <i>Biogeosciences</i> , 17, 609-634. doi:10.5194/bg-17-609-2020	2	AMT – endorsed project
Graban, S., Goult, S., Dall’Olmo, G., & Sauzède, R. (2020). Accurate deep-learning estimation of chlorophyll-a	2	AMT – endorsed project

concentration from the spectral particulate beam-attenuation coefficient. <i>Optics Express</i> , 28(16), art: 24214.		
Humpreys, M. P., Artioli, Y., Bakker, D. C. E., Hartmann, S. E., León, P., Wakelin, S., . . . Williamson, P. (2020). Air-sea CO <sub>2</sub> exchange and ocean acidification in UK seas and adjacent waters. <i>MCCIP Science Review</i> , 2020, 54-75. doi:10.14465/2020.arc03.oac	2	AMT – endorsed project
Kulk, G., Platt, T., Dingle, J., Jackson, T., Jönsson, B. F., Bouman, H. A., . . . Sathyendranath, S. (2020). Primary production, an index of climate change in the ocean: satellite-based estimates over two decades. <i>Remote Sensing</i> , 12(5), art: 826. doi:10.3390/rs12050826	2	AMT – endorsed project
Lange, P. K., Werdell, J. P., Erickson, Z. K., Dall’Olmo, G., Brewin, R. J. W., Zubkov, M. V., . . . Cetinić, I. (2020). Radiometric approach for the detection of picophytoplankton assemblages across oceanic fronts. <i>Optics Express</i> , 28(18), 25682-25705. doi:10.1364/OE.398127	2	AMT – endorsed project
Moore, T. S., & Brown, C. W. (2020). Incorporating environmental data in abundance-based algorithms for deriving phytoplankton size classes in the Atlantic Ocean. <i>Remote Sensing of Environment</i> , 240, 111689. doi:10.1016/j.rse.2020.111689	2	AMT – endorsed project
Organelli, E., Dall’Olmo, G., Brewin, R. J. W., Nencioli, F., & Tarran, G. (2020). Drivers of spectral optical scattering by particles in the upper 500 m of the Atlantic Ocean. <i>Optics Express</i> , 28(3), 34147-34166. doi:10.1364/OE.408439	2	AMT – endorsed project
Pabortsava, K., & Lampitt, R. S. (2020). High concentrations of plastic hidden beneath the surface of the Atlantic Ocean. <i>Nature Communications</i> , 11, 4073. doi:10.1038/s41467-020-17932-9	2	AMT – endorsed project
Peijnenburg, K. T. C. A., Janssen, A., Wall-Palmer, D., Goetze, E., Maas, A. E., Todd, J. A., & Marlétaz, F. (2020). The origin and diversification of pteropods precede past perturbations in the Earth’s carbon cycle. <i>Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences</i> , art:201920918. doi:10.1073/pnas.1920918117	2	AMT – endorsed project
Wall-Palmer, D., Janssen, A. W., Goetze, E., Choo, L.-Q., Mekkes, L., & Peijnenburg, K. T. C. A. (2020). Fossil-calibrated molecular phylogeny of atlantid heteropods (Gastropoda, Pterotracheoidea). <i>BMC Ecology and Evolution</i> , 20, 124. doi:10.1186/s12862-020-01682-9	2	AMT – endorsed project

*\*If appropriate, please list the IMBeR activity through / by / from / during which the publication arose*

\*\*\*\* **Notes on publications**\*\*\*\*

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