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Bacteria and archea biodiversity in sediments of Venice lagoon and their impact on sediment anoxia

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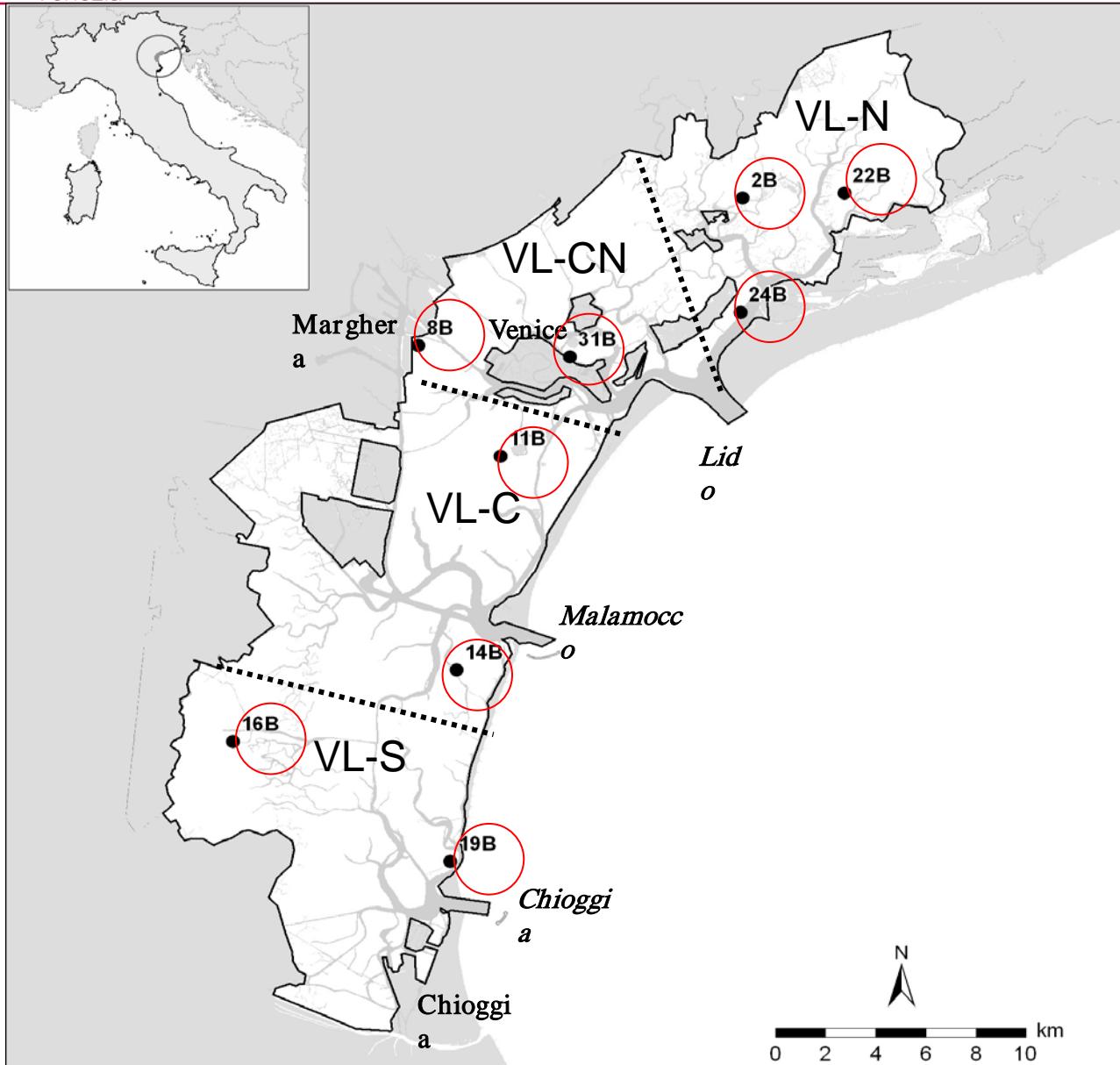
Study of Microbial Biodiversity in sediments at Venice Lagoon

- 1. Study of population structure by ARISA
in sediments of 9 stations**

- 2. Principal Component analyses (PCA) to
focus on few sediments**

- 3. Genomic libraries in 3 Stations**

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4-sub-basins

Sub-division
based on
Hazard Quotient
278 stations
25 years

Apitz et al. Environ. Assess.
Manag. 2007

MICROBIAL POPULATION STRUCTURE

Automated Ribosomal Intergenic Spacer Analysis,
(Cardinale et al. *Appl. Environ. Microbiol.* 2004 vol.70 : 6147-6156)

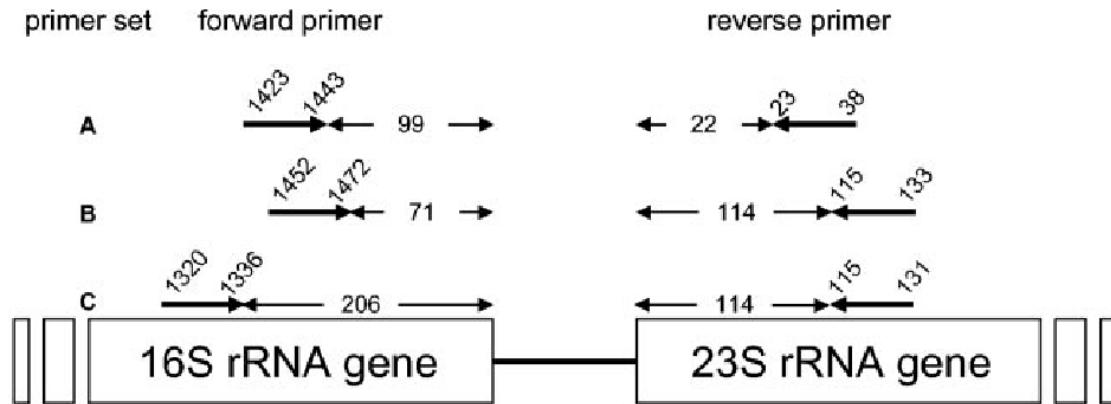


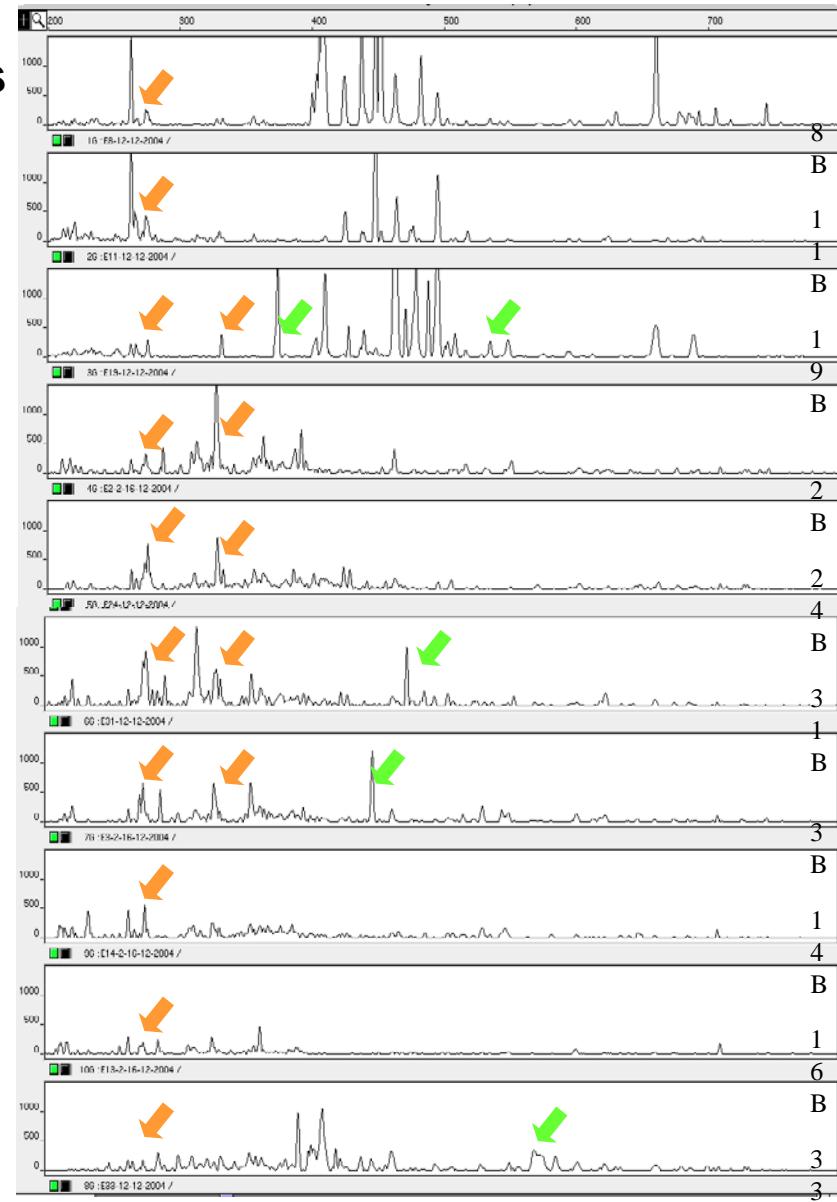
FIG. 1. Positions of the six primers on the prokaryote ribosomal operon and numbers of nucleotides belonging to 16S and 23S rRNA genes amplified by PCR. The numbers of nucleotides amplified on 16S and 23S rRNA genes and the positions of the annealing sites by each primer set were calculated based on the *E. coli* O157:H7 ribosomal genes. (A) ITSf/ITSReub; (B) SD-Bact-1522-b-S-20/LD-Bact-132-a-A-18 (19); (C) 1406F/23Sr (4).

ARISA



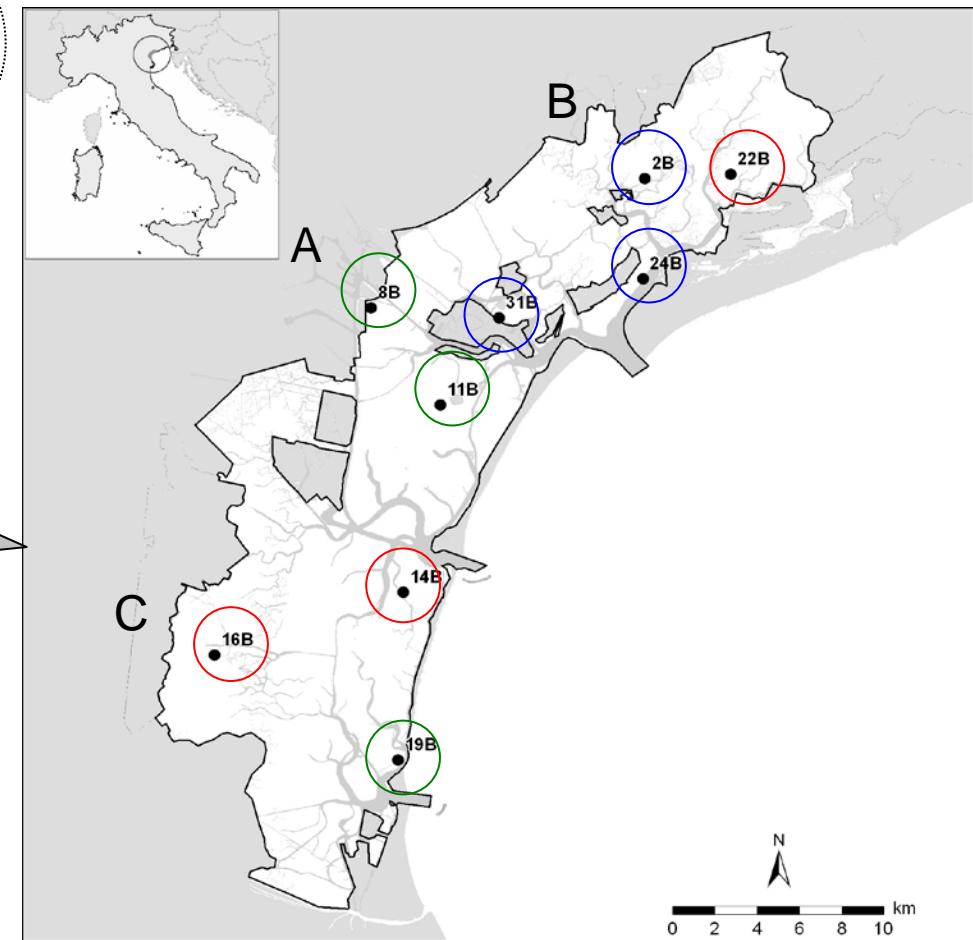
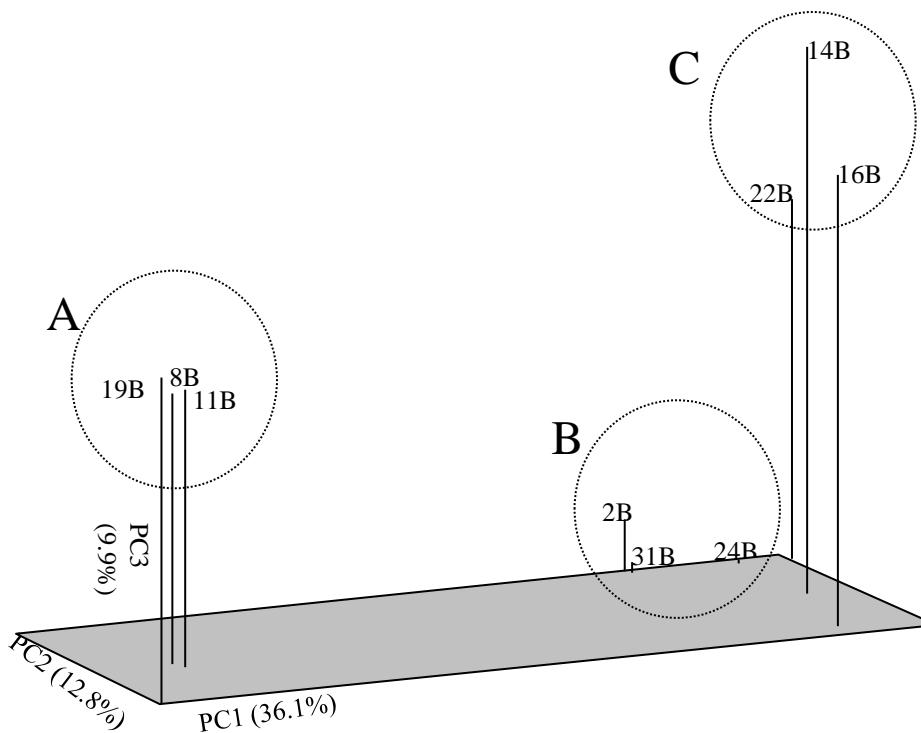
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electropherograms



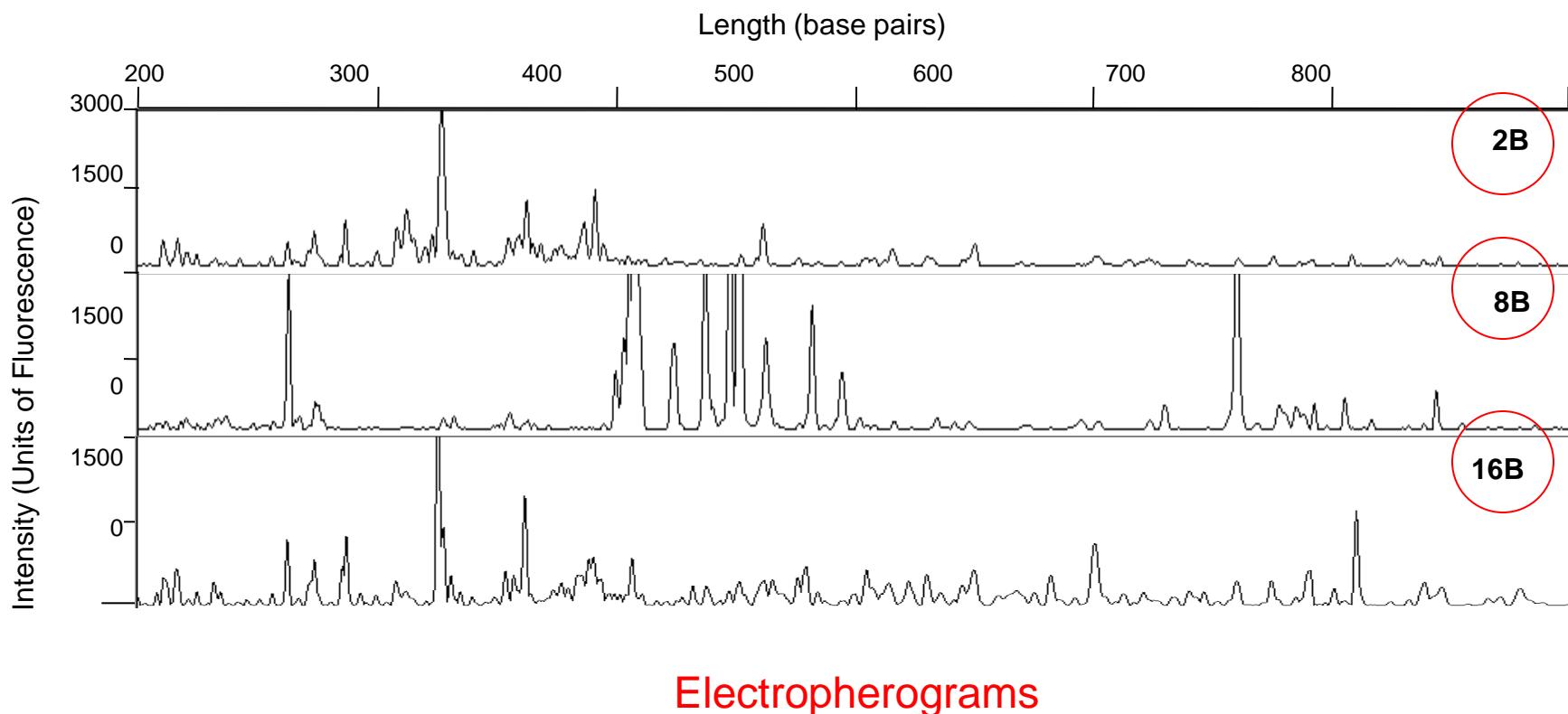


PC analysis based on presence or absence of ARISA peaks





Intergenic 16S-23S distribution





GENOMIC LIBRARIES

Only for samples 2B, 8B and 16B

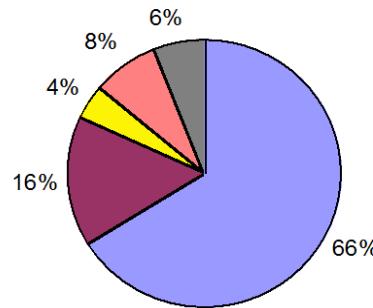
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PHYLUM	STATIONS			CLASS	STATIONS			ORDER and/or FAMILY and/or			STATIONS		
	2B	8B	16B		2B	8B	16B	GENUS	2B	8B	16B		
ARCHAEA													
<i>Euryarchaeota</i>	76	56	92										
<i>Crenarchaeota</i>	24	44	8	<i>Crenarchaeota</i> unknown									
		<i>Thermoprotei</i>			6		8						

Archea (• 10%):

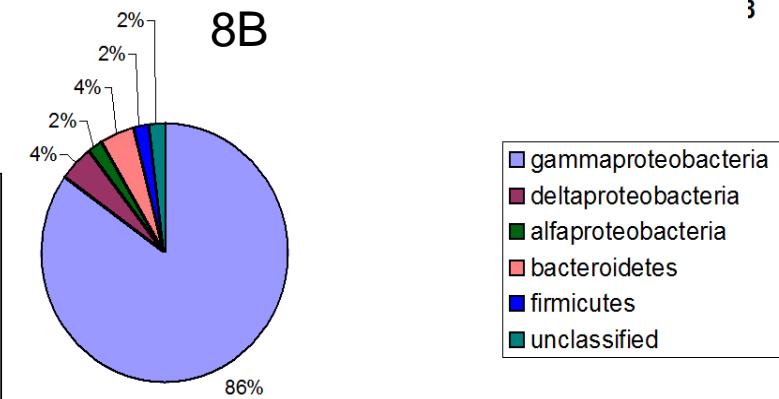
Euryarchaeota and Crenarchaeota (*Thermoprotei*)
–Unknown functionalities in this habitat.

Different Phyla distribution



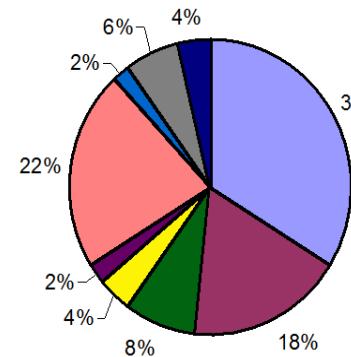
16B

- gammaproteobacteria
- delta proteobacteria
- epsilon proteobacteria
- bacteroidetes
- cyanobacteria



8B

- gammaproteobacteria
- delta proteobacteria
- alfabroteobacteria
- bacteroidetes
- firmicutes
- unclassified



2B

- gammaproteobacteria
- delta proteobacteria
- alfabroteobacteria
- epsilon proteobacteria
- unid proteobacteria
- bacteroidetes
- firmicutes
- cyanobacteria
- acidobacteria



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Philum	2B	8B	16B	Class	2B	8B	16B	Genus	2B	8B	16B
BACTERIA											
Unknown Bacteria	2	9									
<i>Bacteroidetes</i>	20	3	8	unknown <i>Bacteroidetes</i>	5	1	3				
				<i>Flavobacteria</i>	12	2	3	<i>Flavobacteriaceae</i> unknown			
								<i>Flavobacteriaceae, Maribacter</i>	5	1	
								<i>Flavobacteriaceae, Robiginitalea</i>	2	1	
								<i>Flavobacteriaceae, Ulvibacter</i>	4		
				<i>Sphingobacteria</i>	3	5	<i>Sphingobacteriales</i> unknown				1
								<i>Sphingobacteriales, Flexibacteraceae</i>			2



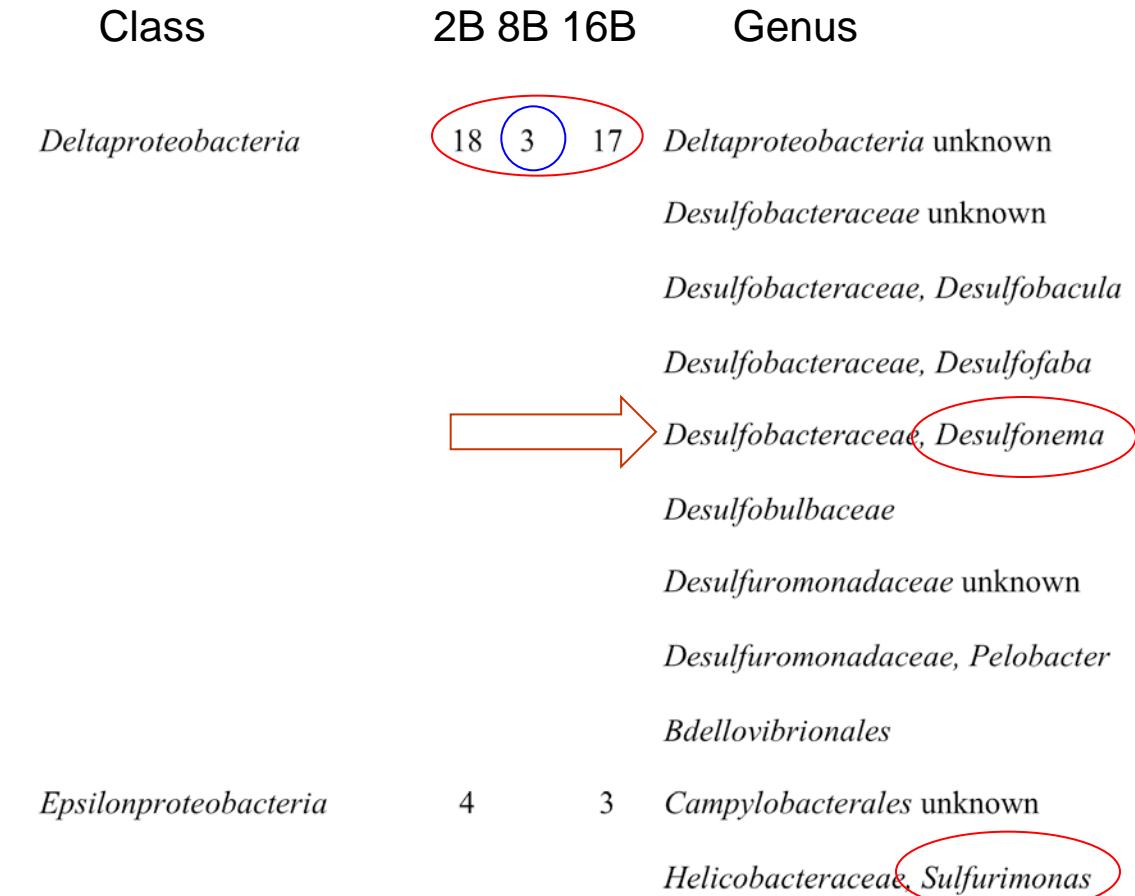


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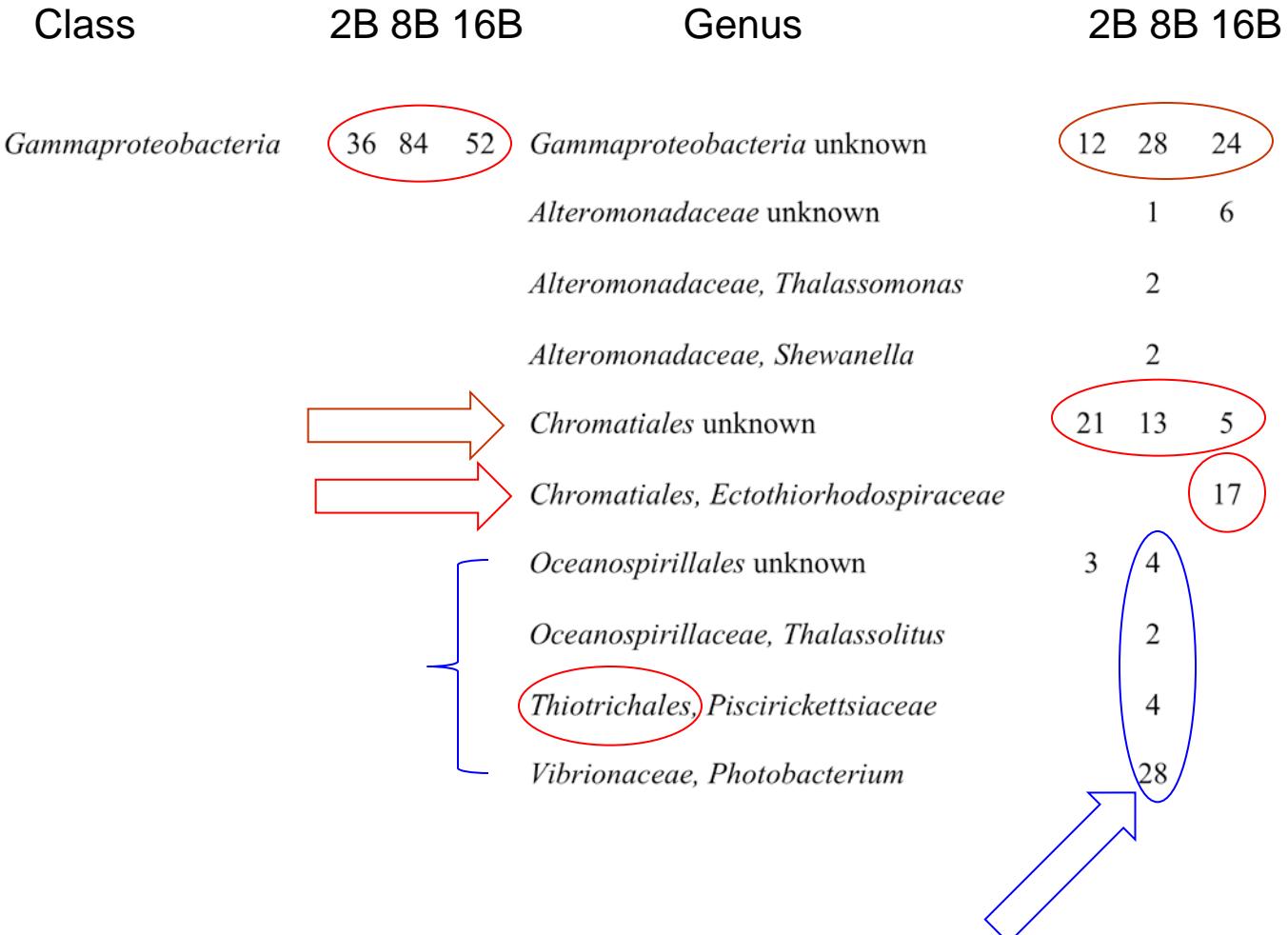
Taxa	2B	8B	16B	Class	2B	8B	16B	Genus	2B	8B	16B
<i>Chloroflexi</i>			1								
<i>Cyanobacteria</i>	7	1	4	<i>Cyanobacteria</i>	7	1	4	<i>Cyanobacteria</i> unknown	7	1	3
								<i>Plochlorales, Prochlorococcus</i>			1
<i>Deferribacteres</i>	2	1		<i>Deferribacteres</i>	2	1		<i>Deferribacterales</i>	2	1	
<i>Firmicutes</i>	1			<i>Clostridia</i>	1			<i>Clostridiales</i>	1		
<i>Planctomycetes</i>		1		<i>Planctomycetacia</i>			1	<i>Planctomycetales, Planctomycetaceae</i>			1
<i>Proteobacteria</i>	72	91	77	<i>Proteobacteria</i> unknown	1	1					
				<i>Alfaproteobacteria</i>	12	3	4	<i>Alfaproteobacteria</i> unknown	2	1	1
								<i>Rhodobacterales, Rhodobacteraceae</i>	10	1	3
								<i>Rhodospirillales</i>			1
								<i>Rhizobiales</i>			1
				<i>Betaproteobacteria</i>	1			<i>Burkholderiaceae, Schlegelella</i>			1



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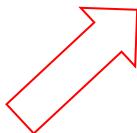


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Table 4

Rarefaction analysis and diversity indexes for bacterial and archaeal 16S rRNA clone libraries.

Libraries			2B	8B	16B
Bacteria	General features	n° clones	99	99	100
		n° taxa	49	42	54
		singletons	28	34	43
		coverage (%)	72	66	57
	Rarefaction	described taxa (%)	50.2	43.2	47.6
		st dev	3.2	3	3
	Diversity indices	dominance	0.036	0.136	0.052
		Shannon–Weaver	3.629	2.841	3.522
		Menhinick	4.925	4.221	5.4
		Margalef	10.45	8.92	11.51
		equitability	0.932	0.76	0.883
Archaea	General features	n° clones	17	16	12
		n° taxa	6	6	4
		singletons	4	3	1
		coverage (%)	76	81	92
	Rarefaction	described taxa (%)	54.2	57.7	47.0
		st dev	1.3	1.3	1.0
	Diversity indices	dominance	0.315	0.218	0.391
		Shannon–Weaver	1.305	1.555	1.136
		Menhinick	0.354	0.34	0.372
		Margalef	0.755	0.744	0.706
		equitability	0.811	0.966	0.706





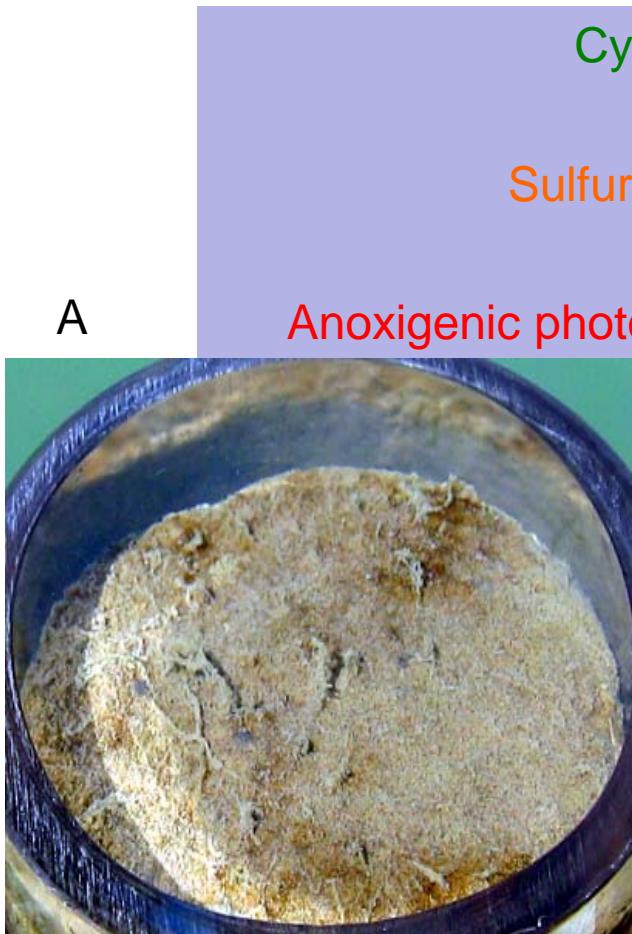
CONCLUSIONS

S-LIBSHUFF analysis demonstrate that the sediments of “group 8B” are statistically different than the rest of sediments at Venice Lagoon

Sediments adjacent to Marghera Venice, and Chioggia (8B group) are distinguished by *Vibrionaceae*, *Alteromonadaceae* and *Oceanospirillaceae* and low biodiversity.

Bacteroidetes (cellulose-degraders) are spread out(20%) especially in stations of “2B group. These sediments show high cellulase activity ($800 \text{ mg O}_2 \text{ Kg}^{-1} \cdot \text{h}^{-1}$)

Microbial stratification to maintain “satisfactory ecological status”



Cyanobacteria & Diatoms

Aerobic b.

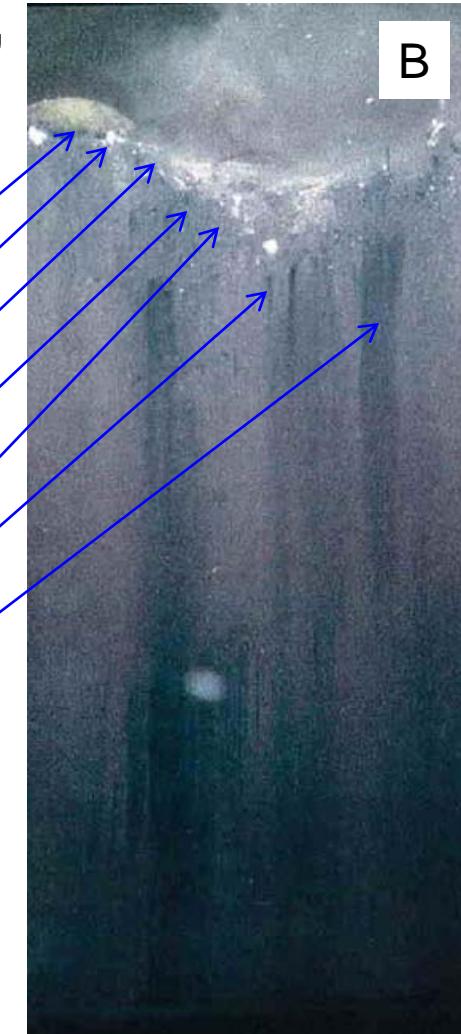
Sulfur-sulphides oxidizing b.

Facultative aerobic b.

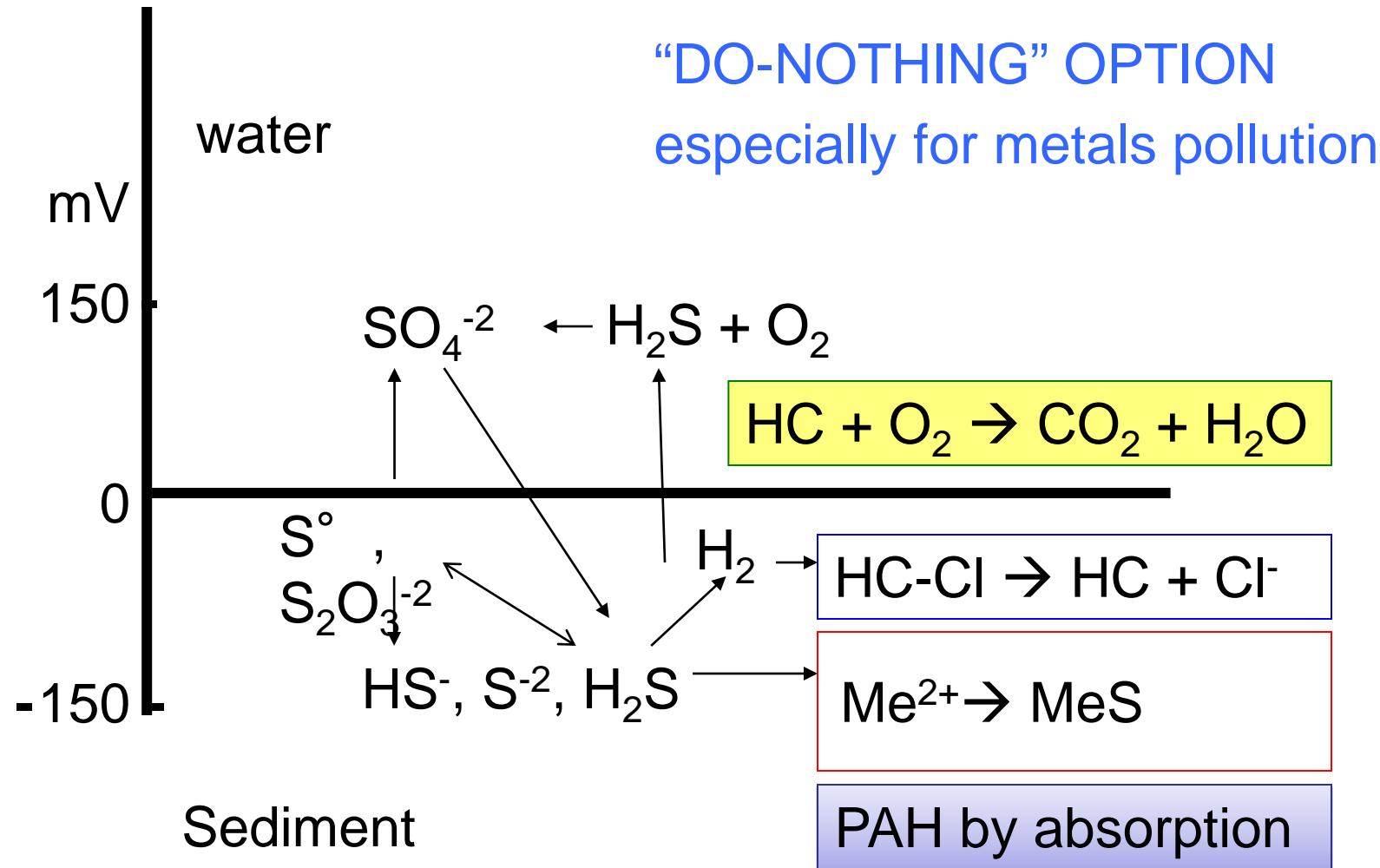
Anoxigenic phototrophs (chromatiales)

Sulfur-reducing b.

Sulfates-reducing b.



A rich Sulfur cycle and natural attenuation of pollution





Thank you for your attention

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