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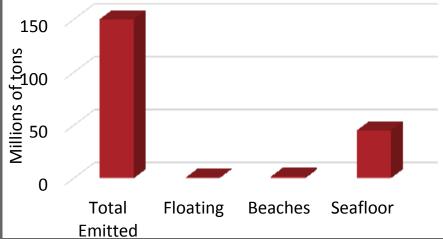
The sinking behavior of microplastic and their presence in various coastal environments

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Estimated amounts of plastic in the ocean





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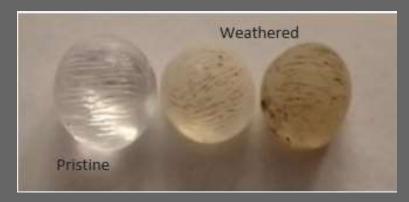
- **→** Several factors, e.g.:
 - High density

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- Organism uptake
- Biofilm growth and aggregation
- Photo-oxidation and mechanical stress











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