

Paleoclimatic reconstruction from marine records of central and western Mediterranean area over last millennia

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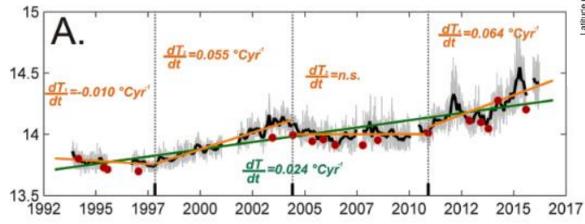


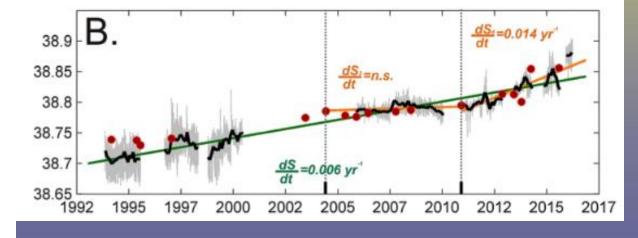


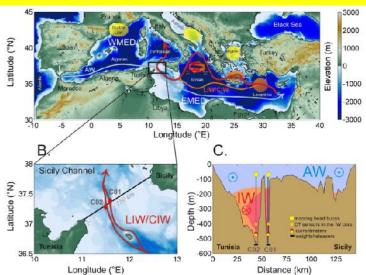
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### Climate is changing?

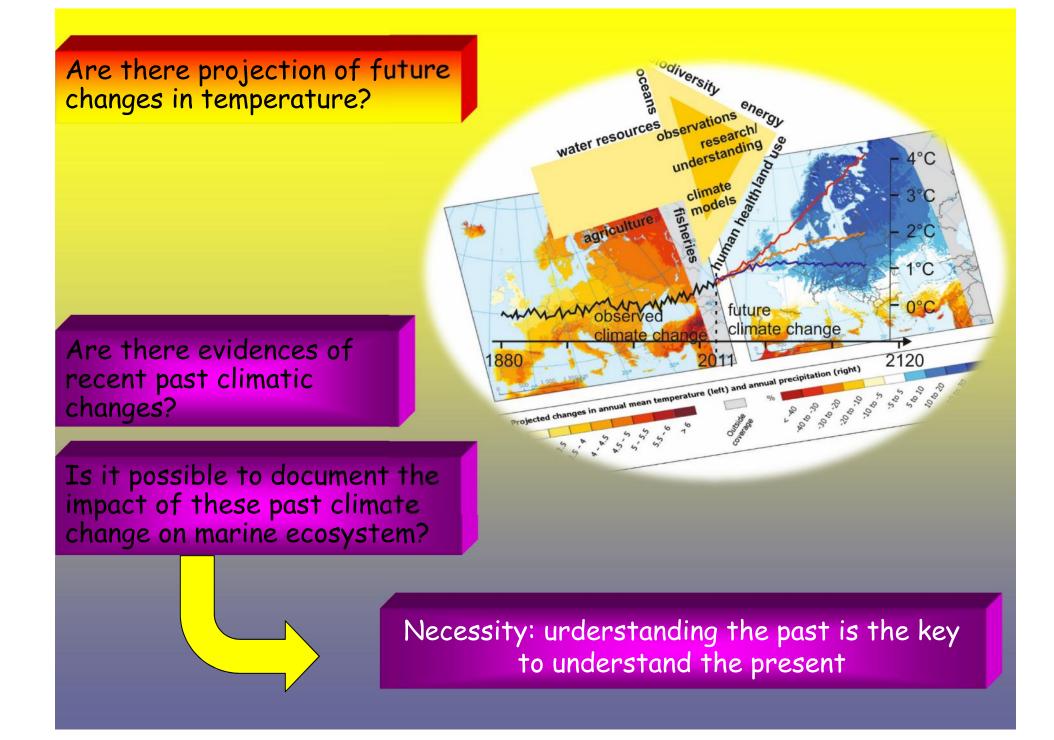
### Are there evidences of this changing?



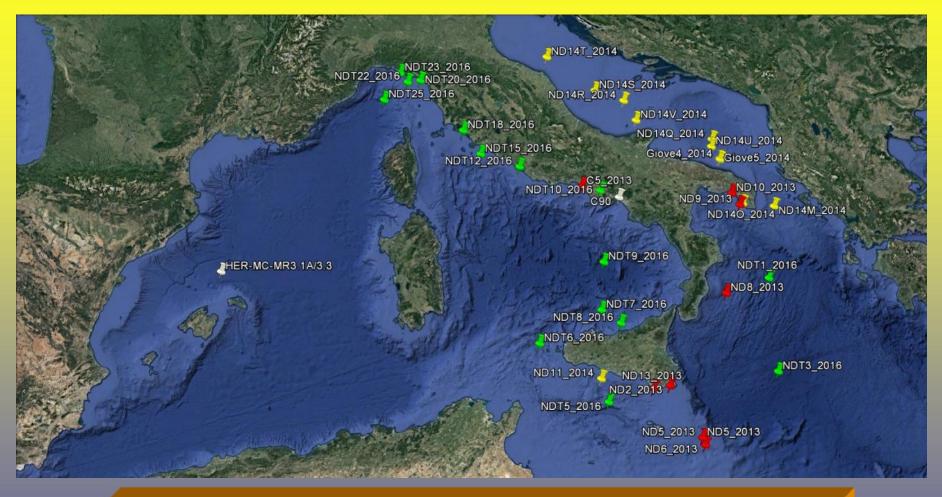




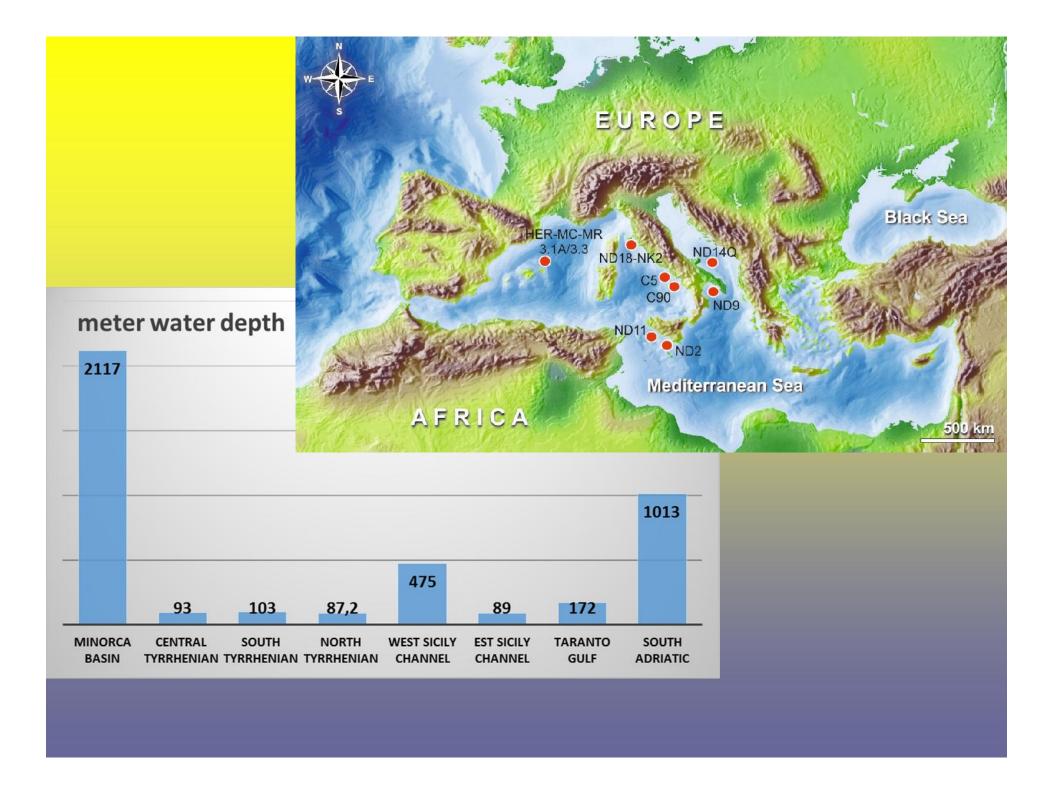
Schroeder et al., 2017

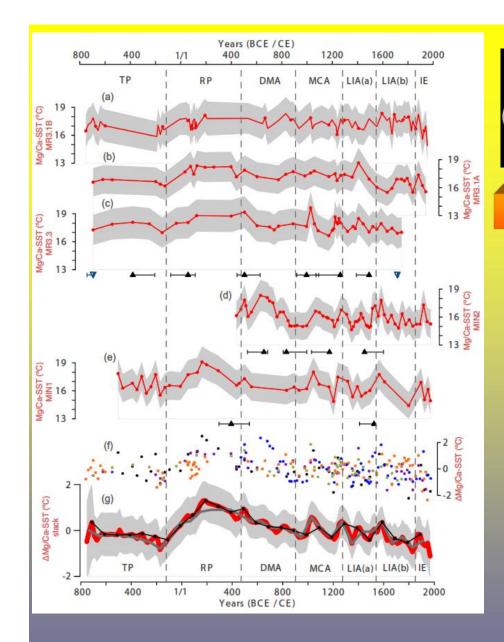


Marine cores recovered for NextData project (http://www.nextdataproject.it/) during three oceanographic cruises: NextData-2013; NextData-2014; NextData-2016



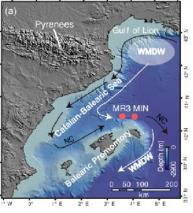
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Climate of the Past

#### Sea surface temperature variability in the central-western Mediterranean Sea during the last 2700 years: a multi-proxy and multi-record approach

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### Gaeta Gulf (central Tyrrhenian Sea)

when the NAO index is positive south Europe climate is mild and dry; a negative NAO index is associated with the reverse pattern



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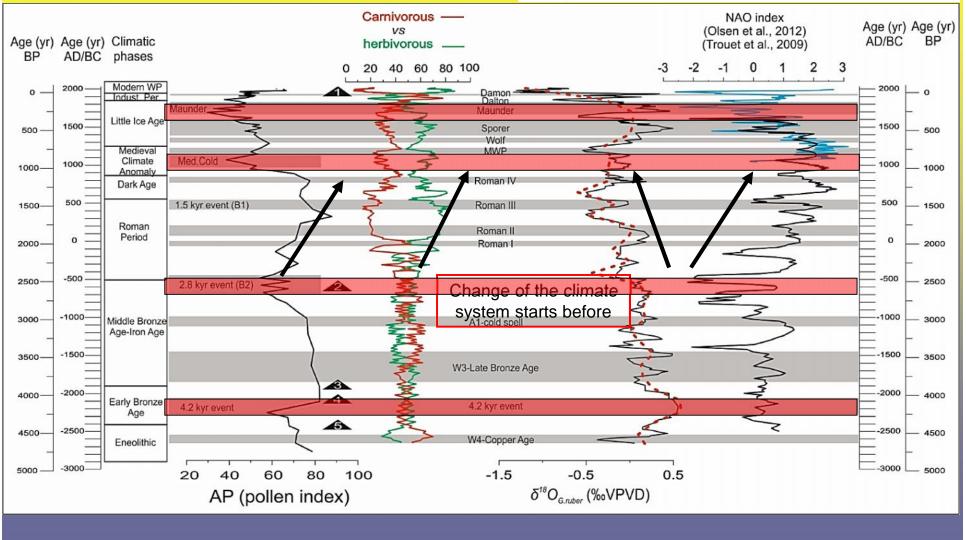
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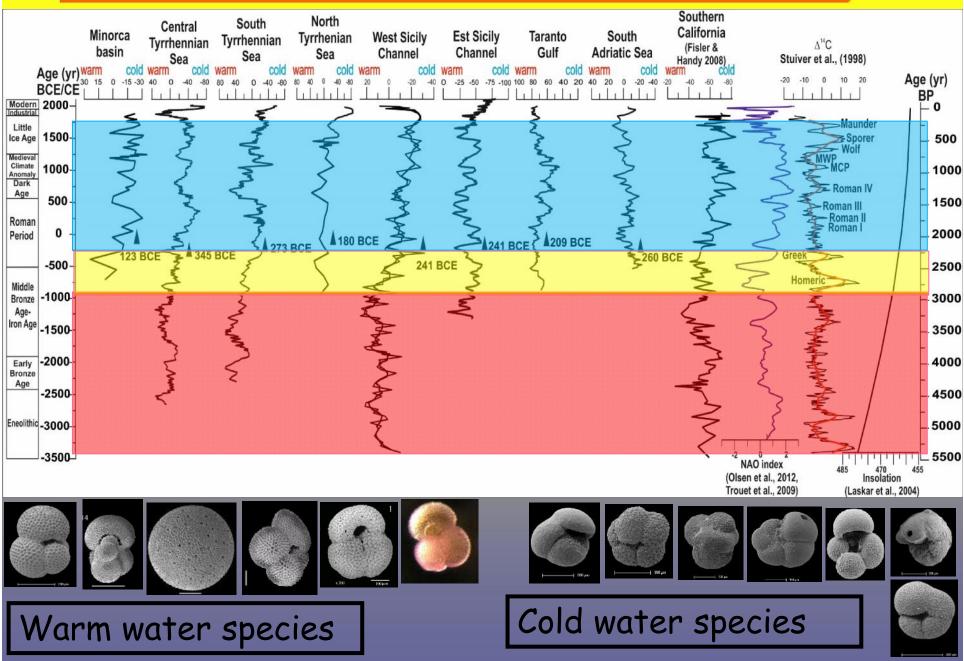


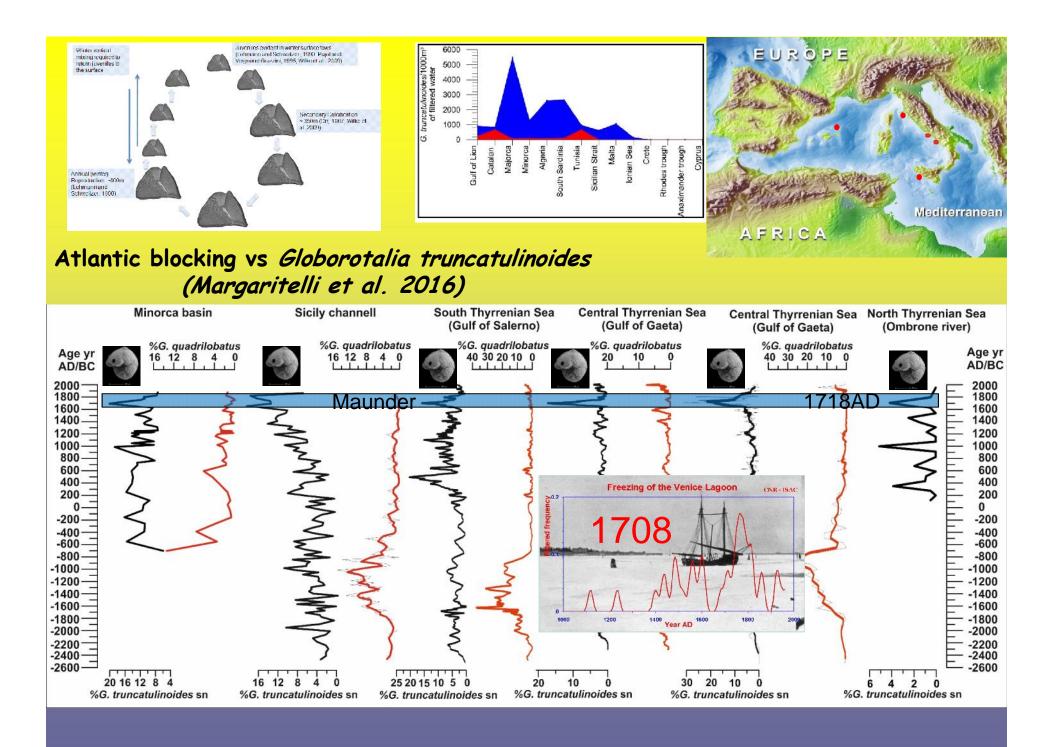
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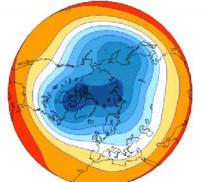


#### Mediterranean climatic oscillation over the last three millennia





### Geographic distribution of *G. truncatulinoides* during Maunder event in the western Mediterranean

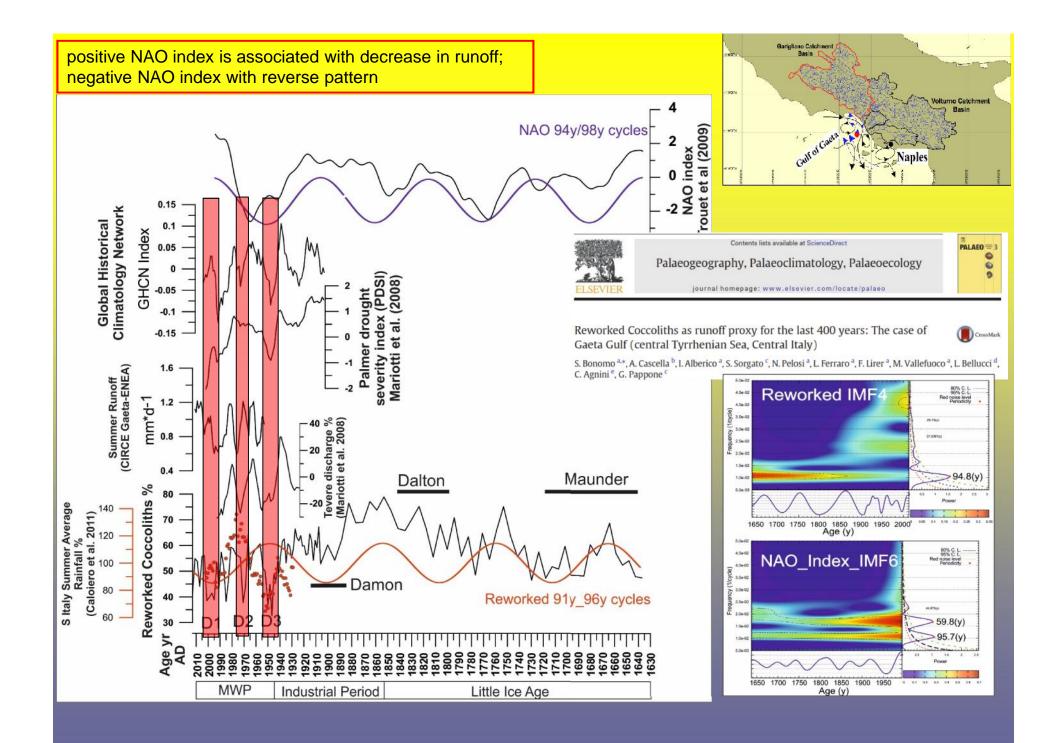


Strong winds caused by Atlantic blocking may be responsible for mixing water and this can be result in the rapid spread of *G*. *truncatulinoides (Margaritelli et al. (2016)* 

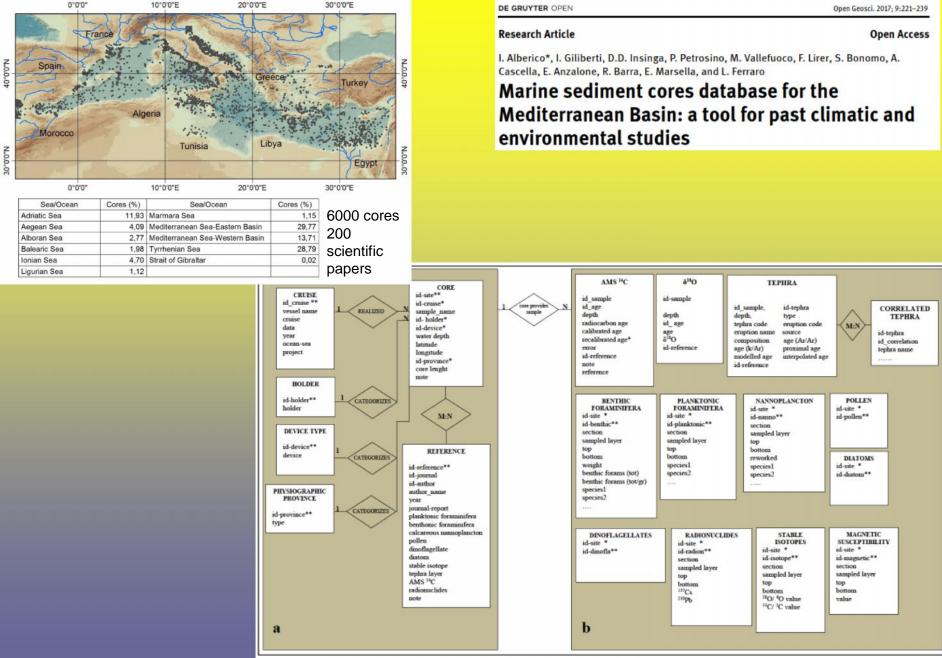
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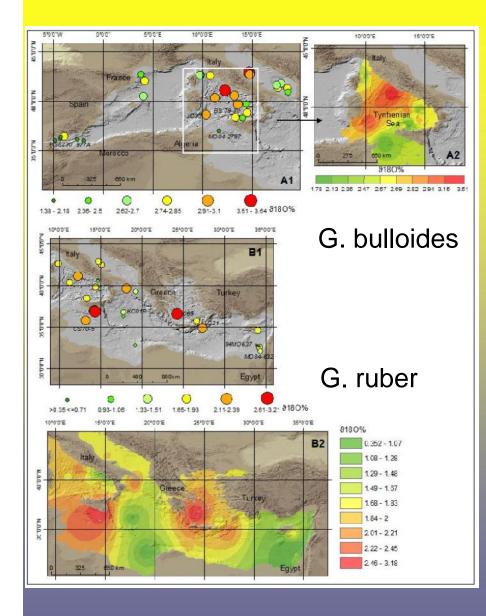
*G. truncatulinoides indicates the presence of a deep mixed layer during winter* 



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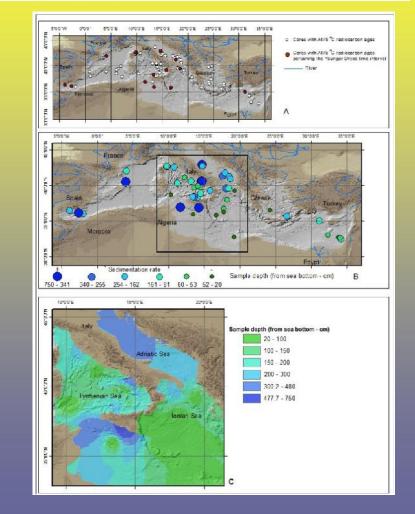
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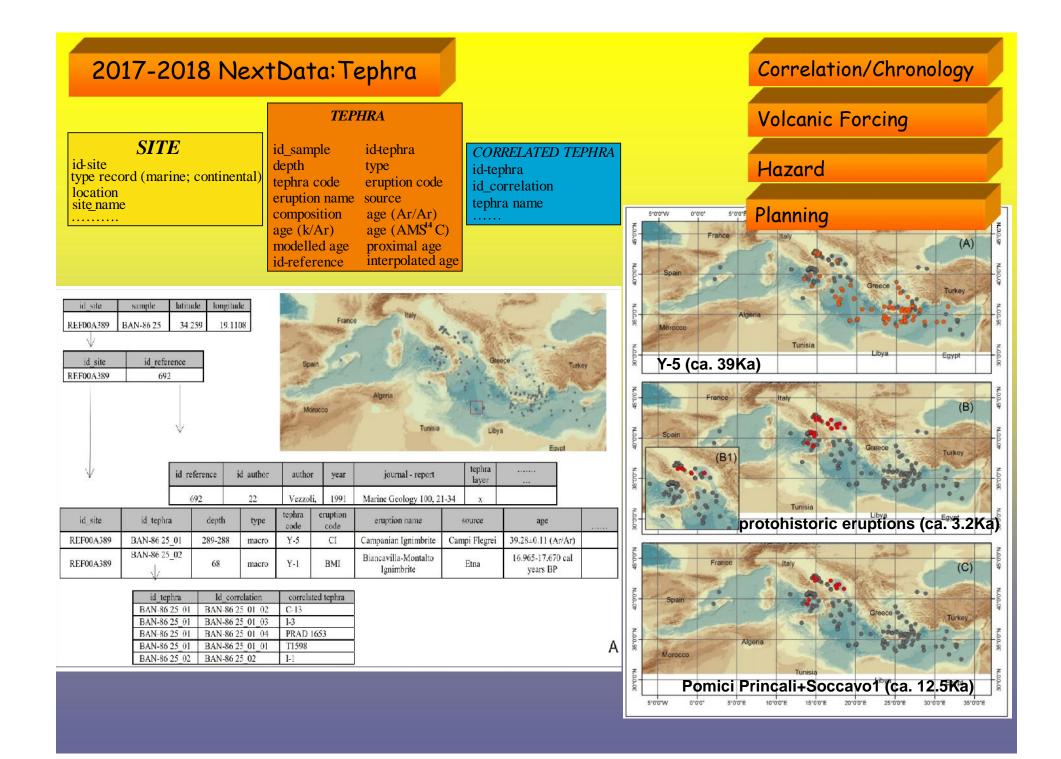
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#### Marine sediment cores database for the Mediterranean Basin: a tool for past climatic and environmental studies





# Conclusion

### Paleoclimatic trend

- Planktonic foraminiferal paleoclimatic curve represents an useful tool to document past climate oscillation over the last millennia;
- The short time interval between 750 BCE and 250 BCE, separates the warm/stable climatic condition, documented in the last two millennia BCE, from the progressive cooling over the last two millennia;
- Between 200 and 400 CE, SST anomaly documents a warm Roman Period with a increase in temperature of ca. 2°C;
  - At ca. 600-700 CE paleoclimate curves show a progressive cooling phase up to the Maunder event;
  - The correlation between pollen concentration (AP index) and oxygen stable isotope documents that Early Bronze Age, Iron Age, Medieval Cold, and Maunder, are characterised by cold and dry climate condition. These short phases correspond with positive NAO oscillation.