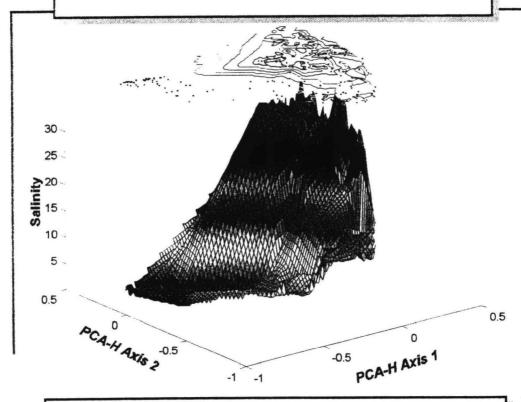
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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report describes research done under a cooperative agreement between the EPA and the University of Rhode Island and Rutgers University. The lead author performed this work while on sabbatical leave at Rutgers University in the 1994-1995 academic year. Dr. J. Fred Grassle hosted and assisted Dr. Gallagher in the analysis of the EPA's "Environmental Monitoring and Assessment Program-Estuaries Virginian Province "(EMAP-E VP) data.

The EMAP program set as a goal the identification of degraded biological conditions in the nation's ecosystems. Biotic indicators of degraded conditions were to be developed rather than focusing on the concentrations of pollutants (Messer et al. 1991, p. 70-81). Each EMAP program was to design biotic indices to determine the extent of impacted biological conditions. Then, the assessment portion of the EMAP program was to determine whether these adverse effects could be attributed to the effects of pollution. The EMAP program was designed as a multi-decade program. The EMAP-Estuaries program was to assess the status of our nation's near-shore coastal zone, including estuaries. The Virginian and Louisianian Provinces were chosen to be the demonstrations for the EMAP-E program. The EMAP-E Virginian Province (EMAP-E VP) program developed four different indices of benthic degradation. We review each of these indices and offer our assessment of their adequacy as descriptions of impacted benthic communities. The first three benthic indices are no longer used in the EMAP-E VP program. We provide additional reasons to reject these indices. We provide an analysis of the latest EMAP-E VP index, the 1990-1993 index. This index may discriminate between a subset of stations regarded as degraded and non-degraded, but it should not be used as a general index of degraded marine benthos. When reduced to simple terms, this index states that roughly 7000 spionid polychaetes or 17000 oligochaetes per square meter indicates benthic degradation. This index will classify large portions of pristine benthic areas in the Virginian Province and throughout the world as degraded.

We review one of the central assumptions of the development of EMAP-E VP benthic degradation indices: that sediment pollutant concentrations, overlying dissolved oxygen concentrations, and amphipod toxicity are necessary and sufficient conditions for creating test data sets of degraded and reference stations. We do not agree with this assumption. It is possible to have relatively unimpacted benthic sites be classified as degraded using the EMAP-E VP criteria for degradation. Conversely, many impacted sites would fit the EMAP-E VP criteria that define natural or reference sites. The EMAP-E program is based on circular logic. Instead of devising independent criteria to assess the effects of contaminants and low dissolved oxygen on benthic communities, the EMAP-E program has a priori assumed that sites having concentrations of contaminants in excess of published thresholds, amphipod survival less than a threshold or low dissolved oxygen in the overlying water must be degraded. Once these criteria were established, two test data sets were created and an equation derived which would separate these two groups. All other EMAP-E VP sites are scored using this function. The EMAP-E VP program did not evaluate whether any of these sites really showed biological impacts indicative of degradation.

We present new analyses of the patterns of benthic community structure in the Virginian Province. The effects of pollution on benthic communities must be assessed relative to natural patterns of variation in community structure. We use both classification and ordination analysis to describe the major patterns in community structure in the EPA's EMAP-E VP benthic data. These analyses use the metric faunal distance metric CNESS, short for Chord-normalized expected species shared (Trueblood *et al.* 1994). This index is a metric version of Grassle and Smith's (1976) NESS or Normalized Expected Species Shared faunal similarity index. The ordination method based on CNESS is called PCA-H, short for principal components analysis of hypergeometric probabilities. We conclude that salinity is the overriding factor controlling natural patterns of Virginian Province community structure. It is the major factor controlling the maximum number and type of

species that occur in an area. Species richness in the Virginian Province is a strong function of salinity, with very low salinity habitats having roughly eight species in three replicate samples and high salinity areas having over forty species.

The EMAP-E VP benthic degradation indices have attempted to account for this habitat factor. Salinity strongly affects degradation indices based on species richness and the abundance of opportunistic taxa, variables which strongly covary with salinity. The use of opportunistic or pollution-indicating taxa is problematic because almost all opportunistic taxa used in marine ecology are natural components of medium and low salinity habitats.

The existing EMAP-E indices indicate that tidal-river habitats have the highest percentage of degraded area, approximately 40%. Tidal river systems, often near urban sources of pollution, are more likely to have degraded benthic communities than large and s mall estuaries. However, these sites are also the ones most likely to be misclassified as degraded if the effects of salinity are not properly taken into account.

We review the extensive literature on benthic pollution indices. Much of this literature has attempted to find an index to classify pollution-affected vs. natural benthic communities. The Chesapeake Bays Program developed a Restoration Goals Index for the Chesapeake Bay. This index is different from the EMAP-E index. An index similar to the Chesapeake Bay Restorations Goals Index was developed for the Regional EMAP program in the New York/New Jersey harbor system.

INTRODUCTION

The Environmental Monitoring and Assessment-Estuaries (EMAP-E) program was designed to be a long-term, multi-decade monitoring plan for the nation's estuaries. EMAP-E is a subset of the nationwide EMAP program, which was to provide answers to the following questions (Weisberg et al. 1993):

- What is the status, extent, and geographical distribution of the nation's ecological resources?
- What proportion of these resources is declining or improving? Where? At what rate?
- What factors are likely to be contributing to declining conditions?
- Are pollution control, reduction, mitigation, and prevention programs achieving overall improvement in ecological condition?

The Virginian Province was selected as the demonstration area to implement the sampling and analytic procedures for the EMAP-E program. As a result, it has been sampled over four different years (1990-1993). The Louisianian Province was sampled in 1991. These provinces are shown in Figures 1 and 2.

EMAP-E sampling stations (sites) were chosen using Overton et al.'s (1990) probability-based

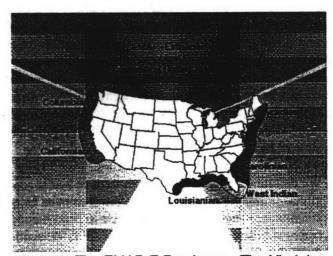


Figure 1. The EMAP-E Provinces. The Virginian Province was sampled each year from 1990-1993 and the Louisianian Province was first sampled in 1991. [Figure from the EMAP-E World-Wide Web page.]

sampling procedure. Probability sampling was applied to three strata in the Virginian Province: large estuaries, small estuaries and tidal rivers. A random selection of small estuaries was selected for probability-based sampling, and all large tidal rivers and large estuaries were sampled. Approximately two thousand benthic grab samples were processed during the four-year duration of EMAP-E VP.

The EMAP-E VP program used patterns of benthic community structure to assess the status of the Virginian Province's near-shore coastal zone. Benthic ecologists throughout the world use benthic community structure to assess the effects of anthropogenic pollution (e.g., Boesch and Rosenberg 1981, Bloom 1980, Chapman et al. 1987, Field et al. 1982, Gray 1976, 1979a & b, 1989, Jumars 1981, Warwick 1993). Some reasons



Figure 2. Virginian Province EMAP-E sample locations from 1990-1992 [1993 sample locations not shown, Figure downloaded from the EMAP-E web page]

for the efficacy of monitoring changes in benthic community structure are that benthic populations are relatively sedentary (i.e., they can't migrate away from a pollution source or source of disturbance), and their typical monthly to annual generation times are such that the populations are adapted to short-term fluctuations in environmental variables but are capable of a strong numerical response to significant long-term environmental changes. Moreover, the populations are sensitive enough to respond to relatively low levels of toxic substances. For example, Grassle et al. 1981 observed pronounced community responses to 90 ng/g of #2 diesel oil in the MERL ecosystem tanks). The recovery time of benthic populations is short enough that changes in community structure can be detected in a matter of months, but long enough that the community structure is to some extent a response to the integrated habitat quality over the previous months or even years.

The EMAP-E VP program developed benthic degradation indices to determine the proportion of the Virginian Province with degraded benthic communities. The EMAP-E VP program selected a set of degraded stations and a set of undegraded, or "reference" stations, and then produced an equation based on biological variables that discriminated between these two groups. The Chesapeake Bay Restorations Goals Index [RGI] (Ranasinghe et al. 1993) used a similar approach. The EMAP-E VP and RGI indices differ in the statistical methods used to classify samples into degraded and undegraded classes. The EMAP-E VP uses a parametric linear discriminant function. The RGI index is based on an ordinal ranking of biological variables into the groupings 1 (below expected), 2 (expected), and 3 (greater than expected). A degraded station in the RGI index is one that has an average ranking across biological variables of less than 2.

To demonstrate the utility of alternate methods for assessing the effects of pollution on benthic communities, this report contains detailed analyses of patterns of community structure in the four-year Virginian Province data. These analyses are performed using methods based on CNESS and PCA-H (Gallagher et al. 1992, Trueblood et al. 1994). CNESS or the chord-normalized expected species shared, is a metric for assessing the faunal similarity among samples. PCA-H, short for principal components analysis of hypergeometric probabilities, is an ordination technique based on CNESS. CNESS is the metric equivalent of Grassle and Smith's (1976) Normalized Expected Species Shared or NESS index. Using either NESS or CNESS, the entire 1918-sample EMAP-E VP data can be clustered using COMPAH96 in about 10 minutes using a desktop PC. COMPAH96 is the latest version of Boesch's (1977a) clustering program. It is available for

download with documentation on the lead author's World Wide Web page. Boesch's (1977a) EPA report describes many of the methods available in COMPAH and applies them to benthic data from Chesapeake Bay.

STATISTICAL METHODS USED IN THIS STUDY

How the EMAP-E VP benthic data were collected

Samples are taken within the Virginian Province using a probability-based sampling design within predefined strata. Weisberg et al. (1993, p. 2-4 to 2-5) describe the strata: Large estuaries, Large Tidal Rivers, and Small Estuarine Systems. The specific application of probability sampling to each strata was different. A systematic random two-dimensional grid was applied to the large estuaries. Overton's (1989) sampling grid, designed for the nationwide EMAP program, was scaled down to make these grids. The sampling points were the centers of the hexagonal grids. The five large tidal rivers (i.e., Hudson, Potomac, James, Delaware, and Rappahnannock) were sampled using a one-dimensional analog of the two-dimensional grid used for the large estuaries. A list frame was used to select 32 (23%) of the 137 small estuarine systems during the 1990 sampling. All small estuaries were ranked by latitude and grouped into groups of four. One small estuary out of each group was randomly chosen. In the 1990 sampling, Delaware Bay and the Delaware River were sampled more intensively. Subsequent EMAP-E VP sampling used the same basic approach. Strobel et al. (1995, p. A-2) summarize all four years of EMAP-E VP sampling. There were 446 sites sampled with probability-based sampling. Several EMAP-E VP sampling sites were sampled repeatedly over the four-year period (e.g., twenty samples from Indian River Bay site No. 150, and eighteen benthic samples from the Potomac River site No. 188). Most sites were sampled only once, with three replicate grabs. A subset of sampling sites from the 1990 sampling, called Index sites, were chosen because they are 'located in depositional environments, where there is a high probability of sediment contamination or low dissolved oxygen conditions.' There were 86 index sites in the EMAP-E VP database. There were a select number of 1990 sampling sites chosen for long-term sampling, the Long-term trend sites. There were twelve Long-term trend (LTT) sites. Strobel et al. (1995) describe additional sites that were sampled repeatedly during the EMAP-E VP program.

Typically three Ted Young modified van Veen grab samples (0.044 m²) were collected at each sampling station (site) from the Virginian Province (Figure 2). Additional grabs were taken and composited for sediment chemistry, grain size, and amphipod toxicity tests. The benthic infauna retained a 500-µm mesh sieve were identified. Most of the sorting and identification in the EMAP-E VP program was done by Cove Associates. Most of the individuals were identified to species. The taxonomy of samples collected in areas with bottom water salinity less than 5 psu (short for practical salinity units, formerly called parts per thousand or abbreviated ‰) is handled differently than the remaining samples. Oligochaetes and chironomids were classified to levels finer than the taxonomic level Class. Many of the oligochaetes and chironomids collected from sites with bottom salinities less than 5 psu were identified to species. The chironomids and oligochaetes from samples collected in areas with salinities above 5 psu were lumped at the level of Family and Class, respectively.

Preparing the EMAP-E Virginian Province data for community analysis

The unedited EMAP-E VP data cannot be used for traditional community structure analysis. There are 868 taxonomic categories in the full EMAP database. We dropped many taxa and merged others to form a much smaller set of valid taxonomic categories. Some of the EMAP taxa are invalid, some are redundant, and many refer to epifaunal taxa. We arrived at a final list of 551 taxa. We discuss the reasons for dropping and merging categories below. This provide the full and edited list of EMAP-E VP taxa in Appendix II.

Drop and Merge Rules

There are over 868 taxonomic designations listed in the four-year Virginian Province data set. Two of these 'taxa' include:

NOORGPRS No Organisms Present

POLYCHAE Polychaeta: Other - Unidentified & fragments

Of the remaining 866 species codes in the EMAP-E VP database, more than three hundred must be dropped or merged for community structure analyses. We use 551 taxonomic designations (most are species) for our analyses. For more detailed analyses of community structure, we would probably drop many or merge many additional EMAP-E VP taxa. For example, much of the break in community structure at the 5 psu mark is because chironomids and oligochaetes were sorted to levels finer than family and class in the low salinity habitats, but not in the higher salinity habitats. To assess whether 5 psu really marks a key transition in community structure, these taxa would have to be merged or dropped. The existing EMAP-E VP data set flags only a subset of the invalid taxa with the database flag SPEC_IGN (Ignore this species in calculating total species per event).

The authors of this study developed the first list of "valid EMAP taxa" using two DROP rules and three MERGE rules:

The drop rules

Drop Rule 1. Drop all strictly epifaunal, meiofaunal, and pelagic taxa.

Drop Rule 2. Drop all general taxonomic designations at the generic, familial and higher taxonomic levels if there are more than two valid lower-level designations for that group. For example, there are many species of the family Spionidae identified in the EMAP data and three species of the genus Spio. Therefore, both the familial level EMAP taxon SPIONIDA and the generic level taxonomic category SPIO must be dropped. Failure to implement this "drop" rule would have the unfortunate effect of greatly enhancing the faunal similarity of samples along environmental gradients. Samples would appear more similar than they really are.

Only a limited number of non-specific designations escaped the drop rule. These are listed below. Several of these higher level taxonomic designations should be dropped in future analyses designed to assess biogeographic patterns (e.g., oligochaetes, Tubificidae with capiliform chaetae, Tubificidae without capiliform chaetae).

Acanthohaustorius spp.
Amphitritinae
Aphelochaeta spp.
Bezzia spp.
Buccinidae
Capitella spp.
Chironomidae
Chironomis spp.
Cladotanytarsus spp.
Coelotanypus spp.
Cryptochironomus spp.
Demicrypiochironomus spp.
Dicrotendipes spp.

Diptera

Flabelligeridae

Laonice spp.

Magelona spp.

Microchironomus spp

Nemertinea

Oligochaeta

Ophryotrocha spp.

Owenia spp.

Palpomyia spp.

Phoronis spp.

Pisidium spp.

Polygordius spp.

Polypedilum spp.

Dolichopodidae

Procladius spp.

Procladius (Holotanypus) spp.

Protodrilus spp. Protohaustorius spp. Pseudochironomus spp.

Sipuncula Solecurtidae Sphaerodoropsis spp. Sphaeromias spp. Stictochironomus spp. Тануриз врр. Tanytarsus spp. Thalassinidea

Tubificidae without capiliform chaetae Tubificidae with capiliform chaetae

The merge rules

Merge Rule 1. Merge all taxa that can not be adequately distinguished taxonomically. The EMAP-E VP data set contains hundreds of taxonomic designations at taxonomic levels higher than the species. For example, in the full EMAP species list, the following eight ampeliscid amphipod categories are found:

AMPEABDI

Ampelisca abdita Ampelisca abdita-vadorum complex AMPEABVA

AMPELISC Ampelisca spp. AMPEVADO Ampelisca vadorum Ampelisca agassizi AMPEAGAS

AMPEVERR Ampelisca verrilli AMPHIPOD Amphipoda: Other

We consulted with the taxonomists at Cove Associates (Tim Morris and Nancy Mountford) to determine whether Ampelisca spp. and 'Amphipoda: Other' were indeed different from the juvenile stages of Ampelisca abdita and A. vadorum, which can not be identified to species. They stated these categories did not refer to either A. abdita or A. vadorum, therefore both higher level taxa were dropped using DROP RULE 2 (above). Using Merge Rule 1, the AMPEABDI, AMPEABVA, and AMPEVADO designations were fused, reducing the original seven taxonomic categories used to describe ampeliscid amphipods to three:

> Ampelisca abdita-vadorum complex **AMPEABVA**

AMPEAGAS Ampelisca agassizi AMPEVERR Ampelisca verrilli

Merge Rule 2. If there are a pair of taxonomic designations indicated by Genus A species x and Genus A spp., and there is a high probability that the individuals identified only as Genus A spp. are indeed Genus A species x, then merge the two taxa. This merge usually occurs when there is only one species in addition to the higher level taxonomic designation. Note that Drop Rule 2 would force the deletion of Genus A spp. if there were more than one species of Genus A in the data set. Our main justification for merging these taxa is that the taxonomists were better able to distinguish species in the later years of the EMAP-E VP sampling.

> The following groups of EMAP taxa refer to single species and should be merged:

> > LUMBHEBE SCOLHEBE

Scoletoma hebes Scoletoma hebes (These refer to the same species, but were listed as separate species in the EMAP data)

MELINNA MELIMACU	Melinna spp. Melinna maculata	MICRATRA	Microphiopholis atra
		OPHIUROI	Ophiuroidea
NOTOMAST	Notomastus spp.		
NOTOSPA	Notomastus sp. A	MUSCTRAN	Musculium
	Ewing		transversum
		MUSCULIU	Musculium spp.
OWENFUSI	Owenia fusiiformis		
OWENIA	Owenia spp.	ORCHMINU	Orchomenella -
			mınuta
	Pectinaria gouldii	ORCHOMEN	Orchomenella spp.
PECTINAR	Pectinaria spp.		
		PANDGOUL	Pandora
PHERAFFI	Pherusa affinis		gouldiana
PHERUSA	<i>Pherusa</i> spp.	PANDORA	Pandora spp.
		PANDORID	Pandon dae
ASYCELON	Sabaco elongatus		_
ASYCHIS		SOLEMYA	Solemya spp.
SABAELON	Sabaco elongatus	SOLEMYID	Solemyidae
(All 3 designations	refer to the same	SOLEVELU	Solemya velum
maidanid polychaet	e species, but		
different codes were		TELLAGIL	Tellina agilis
years in the EMAP	database (The genus	TELLINA	Tellina spp.
name had changed (Sabaco)	from <i>Asychis</i> to	(Note: the EMAP Tellinidae is drop	taxon TELLINID ped)
EUDOPUSI	Eudorella pusilla	YOLDIA	Yoldia spp.
EUDORELL	Eudorella spp.	YOLDLIMA	Yoldia limatula

Merge Rule 3. On occasion, a merge could occur between a higher level category and a species, even if more than one species in a genus were present. If the taxonomists at Cove Associates were reasonably certain that individuals identified as *Genus spp.* belonged to a valid species designation, these taxa were fused rather than dropping the higher level designation.

For example, the EMAP species list contains the following three taxa:

LEITFRAG	Leitoscoloplos fragilis
LEITOSCO	Leitoscoloplos spp.
LEITROBU	Leitoscoloplos robustus

DROP Rule 2 would dictate that LEITOSCO (Leitoscoloplos spp.) should be dropped. However, Cove Associates is reasonably certain that the individuals identified as LEITOSCO are Leitoscoloplos robustus, so these two categories are merged, forming 2 valid taxa:

LEITFRAG	Lettoscoloplos fragilis
LEITROBU	Leutoscoloplos robustus

Methods to analyze community structure

Converting EMAP-E VP data from SAS™ to Matlab™

The EMAP-E VP data are stored in a SAS database. We adapted a SAS program, provided by S. Weisberg and A. Ranasinghe (VERSAR, Columbia MD) to convert the SAS EMAP-E VP database to

COMPAH input format. COMPAH reads data in a number of accepted formats and will convert to other formats, including the binary form used by MATLABTM.

Most of the analyses performed in this report were done with MATLAB™ programs written by the lead author. Many of these programs are available on the lead author's World-Wide Web page.

Diversity analyses

We used the following diversity indices to analyze the EMAP-E VP data: Brillouin's H, Shannon's H', Hurlbert's E(S_n), Pielou's J' Evenness, Simpson's diversity, total number of species, and Gleason's D. The first six indices are described in Pielou (1969, 1975, 1977), Peet (1974) and Magurran (1988). Smith and Grassle (1977) describe the statistical properties of Hurlbert's (1971) E(S_n) and Simpson's unbiased diversity indices. Hurlbert's (1971) E(S_n) is based on Sanders' (1968) rarefaction method for analyzing species diversity. Gleason's D diversity index, the number of species divided by the logarithm of number of individuals, is described in Washington (1984).

Cluster analysis

COMPAH was used to cluster samples and species. Both the sample and species cluster analyses follow methods described in Trueblood et al. (1994). Sample clustering uses CNESS (m=25) as the distance measure and unweighted pair group (UPGMA) sorting. For clustering species, we used Pearson's r of the normalized hypergeometric probability matrix with single-linkage clustering. The lead author distributes full documentation, source, and executable codes for COMPAH on his web page.

PCA-H Analysis

Trueblood et al. (1994) describes the methods used to perform an ordination using CNESS faunal distances. This ordination uses a principal components analysis of hypergeometric probabilities, which is abbreviated as PCA-H. Programs to perform PCA-H are available on the lead author's web page. Appendix I provides background information on CNESS and PCA-H.

RESULTS & DISCUSSION

The What, Why and Where of benthic monitoring

What is monitoring and assessment?

Chapman et al. (1987a) provided this definition of monitoring:

"Monitoring consists of repetitive data collection for the purpose of determining trends in the parameters [sic] monitored."

According to Chapman et al. (1987a), monitoring must be based on three questions:

- What beneficial uses should be protected?
- What water-quality problems have been identified in the past or at present that need to be monitored?

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What major natural and anthropogenic factors affect the ecosystem?

The first question is difficult to answer. Chapman et al. (1987a) urge ecologists to consider which changes are meaningful ecologically or for regulatory purposes. O'Connor and Dewling (1986) argued that ecological significance is different from statistical significance. An ecologically significant, or perhaps environmentally significant, result is one that is important enough for ecologists to warn regulators about and important enough for environmental regulators to consider regulatory action. Using O'Connor and Dewling's (1986) criteria, we might assess whether the EMAP-E VP benthic degradation indices be used now to assess whether estuarine sediments are sufficiently 'clean' for oceanic dredge disposal.

Green (1979, p. 68) divides the broad field of ecological survey sampling into three categories: baseline studies, monitoring studies, and impact studies. A baseline study is a sampling program that determines the present state of the system (e.g., estimates of biological and chemical variables). An impact study assesses the effects of an impact such as an oil spill. In a monitoring study, the goal is merely to detect change from the present state. Baseline data must be available in an impact study to provide a standard against which to detect a change.

One of the goals of the EMAP-E VP program is not only to establish baseline monitoring data, but also to measure a wide variety of habitat and sediment pollutant variables. The habitat factors include water depth, temperature, salinity, pH, stratification, total suspended solids, water clarity, and sediment grain size. The pollutant variables include most of the EPA priority pollutants including heavy metals, pesticides, PCB's, PAH's and pesticides. The assessment portion of the EMAP-E VP program, based on analyses of the covariation of physical and biological variables, should allow the assessment of which factors might be responsible for changes in community structure.

Statistics and sampling designs

A monitoring plan should be based on established principles of statistics. All variables, hypotheses and statistical models should be specified in advance. The use of sample statistics in the broad sense should be an essential part of almost all monitoring plans. Unfortunately, despite token references to the contrary, hypothesis testing using valid sampling designs is rarely incorporated in most monitoring studies. A strong case could be made for the view that hypothesis testing need not be an essential feature of monitoring. Just as museum collections of bird shells provided essential baseline data for documenting the effects of DDT in the 1960s, some might feel that data collection per se has intrinsic value. However, when funds for monitoring are scarce and the potential array of variables that might be monitored is large, data collection without a rigorous sampling design can no longer be justified. A monitoring program should attempt to link changes in the environment with the variables that account for that change.

There are three types of error involved in an experimental or survey design. The first two are well known: Type I and Type II error. There well-known statistical errors in a monitoring program involve finding change when there is none and not detecting a change in the environment. Underwood (1981) called a third major source of error model misspecification. Model misspecification is caused by using an inappropriate statistical model to perform the analyses. Model misspecification can result in either failing to detect important patterns in the data, or detecting patterns and attributing the result to the wrong cause. This third source of error subsumes much of what Hurlbert (1984) has called pseudoreplication. Monitoring should attempt to minimize this third source of error by insuring that the assumptions of the tests being used are met, and that the appropriate covariates are either measured or randomized out of the design.

Type I & II error and model misspecification

The following table shows the relationship between Type I and Type II error:

	1	Null Hypothesis	
		True	False
Decision Based on Statistical Test	Reject H.	Type I error	Correct decision "Science Advances"
	Accept H _o	Correct Decision "No Advance"	Type II error

In environmental monitoring, the traditional null hypothesis is that of 'no change' (e.g., H_0 : $\mu_1 = \mu_2$). The probability of Type I error, symbolized as I, is the probability of rejecting a true null hypothesis; its magnitude is set through the choice of the critical value of the underlying statistical distribution against which the value of the test statistic is to be judged. Conventionally, the probability of Type I error is set at 0.05 or 0.01, so that the odds of rejecting a true null hypothesis are only 1 in 20 or 1 in 100. The choice of a significance level is merely convention, and there is justification for choosing a relatively large α -level (e.g., Probability (Type I error) \approx 0.10) for environmental monitoring studies. Committing a Type II error by accepting a false null hypothesis of no change in the environment may have serious regulatory consequences. For example, the depletion of atmospheric ozone is of such immediate world-wide concern that sampling programs for Antarctic ozone levels should be designed to minimize the probability of Type II error. If the null hypothesis is 'the percentage of benthic area containing few animals, e.g., less than 1000 per square meter) is not changing, the environmental consequences of a large Type II error could be extremely serious. For a given sample size, increasing the probability of Type I error (e.g., testing at the α =0.10 rather than α =0.05 level) leads to a decrease in the probability of Type II error. Increasing sample size reduces the probabilities of both Type I and Type II error. However, if sample size can not be increased, then many scientists would argue for αlevels larger than the conventional 0.05 level to reduce the probability of Type II error.

The EMAP-E VP program is one of the few benthic monitoring programs that has included explicit power analyses in its statistical summaries. The EMAP-E VP program is designed so that a 2% annual change in the percentage of area classified as degraded can be detected with high statistical power over a 10-year period.

Trend analysis

Chapman et al. (1987) state that the goal of monitoring is not merely to detect a change in environmental variables, but a trend. 'Trend' usually implies a non-random temporal pattern in the data. It would be possible to take enough samples so that a change in an environmental variable could be detected between each and every sampling period; roughly half of these changes would be positive and half negative. It is not sufficient to merely find significant results in a monitoring program. If that was the goal, by increasing the sample size and program cost, a monitoring program could detect even slight changes in variables. If there was no long-term trend in the variable, half of these significant changes would be positive and half negative.

As O'Connor and Dewling stress, applied ecologists must move beyond minimizing Type I and Type II error and determine what magnitude of change is significant ecologically. Year-to-year fluctuations about the mean can be detected with a large enough sample size (i.e., more replicate samples), but these fluctuations are not good indicators of the long-term changes in the ecosystem. However, the demonstration of a significant trend in an environmental variable cannot be achieved by simply increasing the number of samples and solves this dilemma. Increasing the number of replicates will not produce a trend if none exists.

The EMAP-E VP program is designed to detect trends in environmental degradation over the decade time scale. The EMAP-E VP sampling program has been curtailed after only four sampling periods. The detection of a significant temporal trend in a variable (at an α -level of 0.05) requires at least six sampling periods. The probability of observing five straight increases (or decreases) in an environmental variable sampled six times is $(0.5)^5$ or 0.03125. In order to be assured of detecting a trend, far more sampling periods are needed. In trend analyses there is one null hypothesis, 'No trend', but there are many alternate hypotheses:

- A short-period cycle plus a unidirectional trend.
- Unidirectional trend.
- Unidirectional trend confounded with a long-term cyclic trend.
- Cyclic trend.

Distinguising between increasing or decreasing trends and cycles requires long time series. Nichols (1988) discovery of a long-term cyclic trend with an apparent twenty-year period in the benthic infaunal community structure of the 200-m main basin of Puget Sound should give pause to any benthic ecologist who assumes that a 4-year trend is due to a degradation of the marine environment. The deepest part of Puget Sound, at 200-m depth in Elliot Bay was first sampled by Ulf Lie in the early 1960s (Lie 1968, Lie and Evans 1973). Fred Nichols sampled this station in the late 1960s for his masters and doctoral dissertations (Nichols 1975). During the 1960s and 1970s, this site ("the 100fathom hole") was dominated by a subsurface deposit-feeding polychaete Pectinaria californiensis. Nichols continued to monitor this area every year throughout the 1970s and 1980s. The Pectinaria population, which had reached abundances of 1000 per m² 1969, had nearly disappeared from the main Basin of Puget Sound by 1976. The new numerical and biomass dominants were surface deposit feeding bivalves and polychaetes. Nichols (1985) thought that the changes he observed in benthic community structure at his 200-m station were due to degradation of the Sound environment due to anthropogenic pollutants (Seattle METRO's West Point Sewer Outfall). The pattern fit Pearson and Rosenberg's (1978) paradigm which predicts that organic enrichment will lead to the replacement of subsurface feeders by surface deposit feeders. Shortly after Nichols published his 20-year data set in 1985, P. californiensis returned to the main basin of Puget Sound. Annual monitoring shows that Pectinaria abundances are now as high as they were in the early 1960s. Nichols (1988) rejected his hypothesis of a long-term unidirectional trend (alternate 2 above) in favor of 20-year cyclic trend driven by long-term hydrographic changes in the Sound. The flushing charactersitics of the deep portion of Puget Sound change on a twenty-year time scale, and this pattern may have led to changes in larval recruitment to the site. Gray and Christie (1983) document other long-term trends in benthic populations, driven presumably by allogenic trends, especially hydrography.

Mistaking long-term trends and cycles in benthic communities for changes in pollutant loading is an example of model misspecification. Detecting significant ecological changes in benthic communities is not the problem. The major problem is connecting those changes to changes in pollutant loading.

Analysis of the EMAP-E VP Benthic Degradation Indices

The 1990, 1991-1992, and 1990-1993 Benthic Degradation Indices

To date, there have been at least four different benthic degradation indices applied to EMAP-E VP benthic community structure data: the 1990 index (Weisberg et al. 1993), the 1991 Louisianian Index: (Summers et al. 1992), the 1991 Virginian Province index (Schimmel et al. 1994), and the 1990-1993 Index (Strobel et al. 1995). Strobel et al. (1994) used the 1991 Index to summarize the 1992 EMAP-E VP Virginian Province data. All of these indices are based on a one-dimensional discriminant function, developed to distinguish between a selected group of degraded and non-degraded stations.

The abiotic data from the EMAP-E VP program are used to classify benthic samples into degraded and non-degraded "reference" groups. Weisberg et al. (1993), Summers et al. (1992), Schimmel et al. (1994), Strobel et al. (1994), and Strobel et al. (1995) describe the protocol for the creation of these indices. A set of degraded stations is chosen based on low dissolved oxygen, sediment contaminant concentrations, and amphipod survival. The absolute values of these thresholds have changed from year to year. For example, in 1990, to be classified as "degraded" due to low dissolved oxygen, oxygen concentrations had to be less than 0.3 mg/L at any time, or 10% of measurements less than 1 mg/L or 20% of continuous measurements < 2 mg/L or less than 2 mg/L for 24 consecutive hours. Strobel et al. (1995, p. A-12) state that a site could be classified as a degraded test site if the bottom dissolved oxygen was less than 2 mg/L. The 1990-1993 index used the recent Long et al. (1995) ER-L and ER-M values to divide samples into degraded and reference data sets. These stations were selected from three salinity regimes (<5 psu, 5-18 psu, and >18 psu).

Reference, or non-degraded, stations were also selected. None of these stations could have significant Ampelisca mortality, DO less than 1 mg/l, and no pollutants could exceed Long and Morgan's (1990) ER-M value. Strobel et al. (1995) used the newer Long et al. (1995) ER-L and ER-M contaminant thresholds. In the latest 1990-1993 index, to be considered a "reference" site, no more than three sediment contaminant concentrations could exceed the Long et al. (1995) ER-L value and none could exceed the ER-M concentration.

Once these two groups of test stations were chosen, Student's t-tests were used to find variables that significantly differed between groups. In all years, the effects of habitat factors on species richnes were evaluated. In the 1990 index, the EMAP-E VP diversity measure, Total Species per Event, was calculated relative to the expected species richness at each salinity. A similar analysis was performed for the 1991 index, including organic carbon as well, but salinity was not included in the final 1991 index, becasue the "salinity-normalized" variable was poorer at discriminanting degraded and undegraded sites than the unnormalized species number. These variables, including those adjusted for salinity, are then entered into a set of step-wise discriminant analyses to find the linear combination of variables that best discriminates between groups. The 1990 Benthic Index from Weisberg et al. (1993) is shown below:

1990 Benthic Index

Weisberg et al. (1993)

BI =

- + 0.011 * Percent Expected Species (mean number)
- + 0.817 * Number of amphipods per 0.044-m² grab
- + 0.671 * Percent of total abundance as bivalves
- + 0.465 * Number of capitellidsper 0.044-m² grab
- + 0.577 * Average weight per individual polychaete.

BI < 3.40 INDICATES DEGRADED.

This 1990 Benthic Index was based on only the first year of EMAP-E VP sampling. The expected species included normalization for salinity. Weisberg et al. (1993) found a very strong positive correlation between the number of species collected in a grab and salinity. At the lowest salinities in estuaries, only about eight to ten species will be found per grab (Figure 3). With each additional psu salinity, about one additional species is added. Weisberg et al. (1993) used a three-point running average to fit a polynomial curve to the top of the cluster of points in a plot of total species sampled vs. salinity.

Weisberg et al. (1993) compared their 1990 Benthic Index with Rhoads & Germano's (1986) Organism-Sediment Index. The OSITM is based on the photographs of the sediment-water interface. Figure 4 shows the values of the 1990 Benthic Index and the OSITM for a subset of the 1990 samples. The two indices are weakly correlated. However, if the indices are converted to their binary "degraded-nondegraded" form, the statistical association is no greater than one might expect by chance alone.

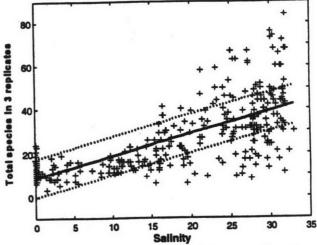


Figure 3. Total species per sampling event (species in all 3 replicate grabs) is strongly correlated with salinity. At 0 psu salinity, 8.5 species are expected and roughly 1 species is added for every psu of salinity. The variance increases at salinities greater than 15 psu. This plot is similar to Weisberg et al. (1993, Fig. 4-2) but is based on an additional three years of data and a much reduced list of valid taxa. The R² is 48.3%. 95% Confidence limits for the mean value of the dependent variable are based on three replicates.

Schimmel et al. (1994) tested the 1990 Biotic Index on the EMAP-E VP data collected in 1991. Following the procedures developed by Weisberg et al. (1993), they identified a set of degraded and "reference" sites based on pollutant concentration (pollutants > Long & Morgan's ER-M), amphipod toxicity, and dissolved oxygen concentration. New reference and degraded stations were added to the list of stations used in 1990. Schimmel et al. (1994) identified thirteen new stations in the 1991 dataset as being degraded using their established criteria. The 1990 index classified 7 of these 13 (54%) as degraded and 6 (46%) as non-degraded. Based on this high rate of misclassification of presumably degraded stations, Schimmel et al. (1994) developed the 1991 index (shown below). In

developing the 1991 index, Schimmel et al.

(1994) analyzed the effect of salinity on
species richness. They performed their
discriminant analyses using both
unnormalized species number and species
number normalized by both organic carbon
and salinity. Figure 5 plots the second order polynania
equation, used to normalize simultaneously for
organic carbon and salinity (2 minor
typographic errors in the original equation on
Page B-3 of Schimmel et al. 1993 have been
corrected):

Expected number of species = $8.25 + 3.87 \times 10^{-4} (TOC)$ $-1.9 \times 10^{-8} (TOC)^{2}$ $+0.784 (salinity) -0.00125 (salinity)^{2}$ $-2.031 \times 10^{-5} (TOC) (salinity).$

Schimmel et al. (1993, B-3) divided the observed number of species by the expected number of species predicted by this equation.

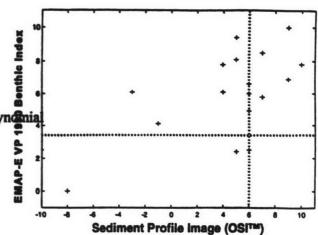


Figure 4. The value of the 1990 EMAP-E VP benthic index vs. that calculated using Rhoads and Germano's (1986) Sediment-Profile-Image Organism-Sediment Index. The thresholds between degraded and non-degraded are indicated. The two indices are correlated (Kendall's τ =0.326, prob<0.044). However, when these ordinal data are converted to nominal "good-bad", or "degraded-nondegraded" classes, the concordance between indices is non-significant.

Schimmel et al. (1994) created a test data set and ran a series of discriminant analyses. The TOC/salinity adjusted species richness measure was less effective at discriminating between degraded and reference conditions than unadjusted species number.

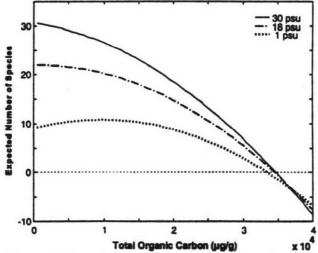


Figure 5 The salinity and Total Organic Carbon normalization used by Schimmel et al. (1994) in developing the 1991 EMAP-E biotic index is plotted. The expected number of species continues to decline, reaching about -150 expected species at $8 \times 10^4 \, \mu g/g$ (8%) Total Organic Carbon.

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Schimmel et al. 's (1994) EMAP-E VP 1991 benthic degradation index is shown below. The only negative term in the 1991 benthic index is the abundance of a set of opportunistic species. The list of opportunistic species is not provided.

1991 Bentnic Index

Schimmel et al. (1994)

 $\cdot BI =$

- 0.68 * Mean Abundance of Opportunistic Species

+ 0.36 * Biomass / Abundance Ratio for all Species

+ 1.14 * Mean Number Infaunal Species per Grab.

BI < -0.5 INDICATES DEGRADED

Strobel et al. (1994) used the 1991 Benthic Index to analyze analyze the 1992 EMAP-E VP data. The only change made in the 1992 Benthic Index was to add 0.5 so that a BI score less than 0 indicated degraded.

Summers et al. (1993) developed a benthic index for the EMAP-E Louisianian Province (EMAP-E LP). Their index included a correction for the effects of salinity on species richness

Strobel et al. (1995) reevaluated Schimmel et al.'s (1994) 1991 Index in their statistical analysis of all four years of EMAP-E VP benthic data. Strobel et al.'s (1995) rejected the

Schimmel et al. (1994) benthic index. Their new 1990-1993 Index, shown at the right is based on all four years of EMAP-E VP sampling. It is based on a set of thirty degraded and thirty reference sites. They do not list these sites in their report. Presumably, many of these degraded and reference sites are the same as those listed in Schimmel et al. (1994).

The 1990-1993 index includes two forms of salinity normalization. Salinity must be entered in psu for the polynomial fit (e.g., 0 to 30 psu) and must be entered in decimal form for the tubificid normalization (0 to 0.030). Gleason's D diversity is EMAP-LP's 1992 Benthic Index

BI = + 2.3841 • Proportion of Expected Diversity - 1 6728 • Percent of Tubificid Abundance

+ 0.6683 * Percent of Breatve Abundance.

BI < 4.1 INDICATES DEGRADED.

1990-1993 Benthic Index

Strobel et al.(1995)

$$BI =$$

+ 1.389 * % Expected Gleason's D - 51.5

- 0.651 * Normalized tubificid abundance - 28.2

119.5

- 0.375 * Spionid abundance - 20.0

where.

% expected Gleason's D =

Gleason's D

 $(4.283-0.498*salinity+0.0542*salinity^2-0.00103*salinity^3) * 100.$

Gleason's
$$D = \frac{S}{\ln N}$$
.

S = Number of species.

N = Number of individuals. Normalized tubificid abundance =

Tubificids - 500+e -15 * salonity.

BI (O INDICATES DEGRADED.

fit to a polynomial equation. Figure 6 shows a display of the Gleason's D diversity per three grabs vs. salinity. The lack of fit isn't too surprising. We deleted hundreds of invalid taxa from the EMAP-E VP data set, including perhaps one hundred taxa included in the EMAP-E VP analyses. Also, it is not clear from Strobel et al. (1995) how they were calculating Gleason's D. Gleason's D can be calculated several different ways.

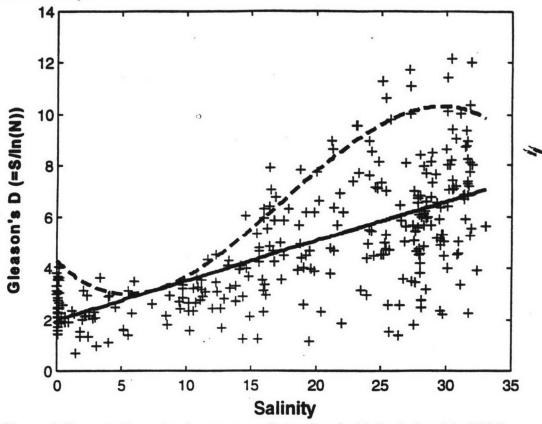


Figure 6 Gleason's D species diversity vs. salinity plotted with Strobel et al.'s (1995) salinity normalization used in the 1990-1993 EMAP-E VP degradation index. The solid line is a linear regression fit; the dotted line is the 2nd order polynomianl fit from Strobel et al. (1995). The R² for the linear regression is 47.2%. Note that we use only a subset of species used by Strobel et al. (1995) and we deleted many individuals used by Strobel et al. (1995).

Are these benthic indices adequate?

Are the benthic communities of the Virginian Province being properly assessed by the EMAP-E VP degradation indices? In the four major statistical summaries of the EMAP-E VP data, there are statistical summaries of the percentage of the area in the province that is degraded. Table 1 shows these values with 95% confidence limits

Table 1. Percentage of the Virginian Province classfied as "degraded" using biotic indices. Also shown for the 1990-1993 data are percentages of the Province with low bottom dissolved oxygen (≤2 mg/L), toxicity (amphipod survival less than 80% of controls), and sediment contaminant levels (any inorganic or organic contaminant >ER-M, using Long et al. 1995).

INDEX		Large Estuaries	Large Tidal Rivers	Small Estuarine Systems	Overall
1990 Index Weisberg <i>et al.</i> (1993, p. 5-16)		20 ± 8	46 ± 32	23 ± 14	23 ±7
1991Index (Combined 1990-1991 data) Schimmel <i>et al.</i> (1994, p. 18, 71)		6±7	27 ± 14	32 ± 17	14 ± 6
1992 Index Strobel <i>et al.</i> (1994, p. 59)		10 ± 10	37 ± 22	23 ± 12	14 ± 6
1990-1993 Summary Strobel <i>et al.</i> (1995)	Biotic Index < 0	18 ± 4	33 ± 14	35 ± 6	23 ± 3
	Bottom DO≤2 mg/L	6±2	10±6	0.2 ± 1.3	5 ± 2
	Toxicity (<80% control)	10 ± 3	3 ± 4	12 ± 6	10 ± 2
	Any analyte (organic or inorganic) > ER-M	5±2	14 ± 6	5 ± 2	6 ± 2

How are we to interpret the results in Table 1? First, a comparison of the final four rows indicates that the biotic condition index is identifying degraded conditions in a much higher percentage of the Province than the abiotic condition indicators (DO, toxicity, and sediment contaminants). Also, the major biotic condition indices have produced significantly different estimates of the proportion of the Province that has degraded benthos. For example, Schimmel et al. (1994) concluded using the first two years of EMAP-E VP data that $14 \pm 6\%$ of the Virginian Province was degraded. Strobel et al. (1995) used the same data plus two additional years of data to conclude that 23 ± 3 % of the Virginian Province was degraded. What could account for this large, significant increase in degradation in such a short period? As noted by Strobel et al. (1995), the indices used to evaluate the 1990-1991 data are very different from those used to evaluate the 1990-1993 data set. The definition of 'degradation' hasn't changed much in any of the EMAP-E VP indices. Strobel et al. (1995) used the newer Long et al. (1995) ER-M levels to define degradaded stations for the test data set and noted that the new ER-M values were higher for metals resulting in a significant reduction in the percent area of the Province in exceedence. The differences in the estimates must be based on the differences in the equations used to determine degradation. The success of the EMAP-E program must be judged, in part, on the accuracy of the biotic indices. Is nearly one quarter of the Province's benthos degraded, even though no more than 8% of the Province has contaminant levels in excess of Long et al. 's (1995) ER-M values? There are major problems with the three major benthic indices developed in the EMAP-E VP program. We list the problems and discuss them in the following subsections. These problems are:

- The validation problem. The indices appear to work with the test data sets on which they are based, but fail when new sets of degraded and reference stations are added.
- The "good-bad" dichotomy. The degradation indices are based on a linear discriminant function derived from test data sets that are supposed to represent degraded and reference benthic communities. Some of the degraded benthic stations may not be degraded and some of the reference benthic stations may be impacted. The EMAP-E VP benthic degradation indices begs one of the major questions that the entire EMAP program was designed to assess: Is impacted benthic community structure a result of pollution?
- Inconsitencies with basic benthic ecology. Many of the variables used in the EMAP-E VP degradation indices are inconsistent with basic principles of benthic ecology.
- Inadequate data and documentation. All but the 1990 benthic index are inadequately documented. The list of opportunistic taxa used in the 1991 and 1992 biotic indices is not provided. One of the three terms in the 1990-1993 biotic index is based on a taxon which was not identified in most of the EMAP-E VP data.

The validation problem

The first problem, noted in EMAP-E VP reports, is that the indices developed for one year of data misclassify too high a percentage of new stations that are added in subsequent years. The 1990 index failed to discriminate between reference and degraded sites sampled in 1991. The 1991-1992 indices failed to successfully discriminate between reference and degraded sites identified in the full four-year EMAP-E VP data. The only EMAP-E VP index that was used in more than one annual statistical report was the 1991 EMAP-E VP biotic index (Schimmel et al. 1993). This index was used by Strobel et al. (1994) to describe the 1992 EMAP-E VP data. Strobel et al. (1995) rejected the 1991 index in their analysis of all four years of EMAP-E VP data. The only index that has not been rejected within the EMAP-E VP program is the Strobel et al. (1995) 1990-1993 biotic index.

The "good-bad" dichotomy.

The major weakness in the EMAP-E VP macroinfaunal analyses is the reliance on the assumption that benthic samples can be unambiguously classified using only two classes: degraded and reference. A review panel, convened by the Estuarine Research Foundation (Schubel et al. 1992, p. 5), raised this concern at an early stage of the EMAP-E program, stating that the EMAP-E program needed to modifiy "the 'black' and 'white', 'good' and 'bad', binary characterization of ecological/environmental conditions." This review panel concluded:

"We are concerned that EMAP-E may have unecessarily compromised its ability to achieve its goals by an overly simplistic (binary) approach to defining environmental quality as either "good" or "bad." Environmental quality is a continuum and society's definitions of "good" and "bad", "acceptable" and "unacceptable", "nominal" and "subnominal" may -- and indeed do -- change as knowledge of natural conditions increases, as management approaches and philosophies become more sophisticated and as society's priorities change." Schubel et al. (1992, p. 28)

The EMAP-E VP degraded vs. reference dichotomy is poorly defined. An EMAP-E VP site is degraded if it is more similar to a set of degraded sites than it is to a set of reference sites. This similarity is based on the value of three variables in the latest 1990-1993 benthic index.. The EMAP-E VP program selected degraded and non-degraded reference sites using three criteria: dissolved oxygen concentration, sediment contaminant level, and short-term amphipod survival. As Table 1 shows, even

though abiotic indices (ER-M, DO, and amphipod survival) were used to define the "degraded" test data set, the biotic indices identified a much larger percentage of the Virginian Province as being degraded than the abiotic indices. The major reason for this is the black-white dichotomy inherent in the linear discriminant function. The 1990-1993 index chose an equal number of impacted and reference sites for the test data set (Strobel et al. 1995, p. A-12) and the classification of other sites was based on their 'nearness' to one of these two endpoints. If only 10% of the Virginian Province had pollutant concentrations or low dissolved oxygen that could impact benthic communities, and yet 50% of the test data set was composed of these stations, then the discriminant function would tend to classify too many sites as being degraded even if the assumptions of the discriminant analysis were set. For example, a discriminant analysis could be performed with one group consisting of thirty NBA All-Stars, and another group of equal size drawn randomly from the general population. The EMAP-E VP discriminant function was based on twenty-eight variables measured from the two groups (Weisberg et al. 1993, p. 4-17; Schimmel et al. 1994, p. B-3). If a similar number of variables were measured on the NBA All-Stars and on the general public, a linear discriminant function would undoubtedly identify some of the properties necessary to play in the NBA (e.g., height, jumping ability, reflexes, and big hands). This discriminant function could then be used to divide the US population into two groups: NBA caliber, and not-NBA caliber. It is obvious that such a good-bad approach would produce a tremendous overestimate of the percentage of the US population that might be of NBA caliber. A similar problem may exist in the EMAP-E VP linear discriminant function. If the degraded stations are greatly overrepresented in the test data sets, then the function will overestimate the percentage of area that is impacted. The EMAP-E VP investigators can set the a priori Bayesian expectations for the classification frequencies expected from the discriminant analysis to reduce the probability of misclassification, but there is no documentation that they have done so.

The major assumption of discriminant analysis is the equality of variance-covariance matrices. What does this mean? It means that the variables used in the discriminant analysis should have the same scale of variation in the groups being discriminated. Discriminant analysis is designed to classify by differences in the mean values of discriminating variables, not their variance. Many of the variables used in the EMAP-E VP indices clearly violate this assumption. In the 1990-1993 index the first term is expected Gleason's D, adjusted for salinity. As shown in Figure 6, the variance in this species richness index will be much higher in the high salinity areas of the EMAP-E VP province.

There is another serious problem with the existing EMAP-E VP indices. There is no independent evidence that the degraded and reference groups in the EMAP-E VP data are really degraded or nondegraded. Sediment contaminant level is judged by ER-M and ER-L concentrations (Long & Morgan 1990, Long et al. 1995). These ER-M concentrations, which represent the concentrations at which 50% of the studies demonstrated some adverse biological effect are tabulated for a wide variety of organic and inorganic pollutants. There was little theoretical justification for these ER-M and ER-L concentrations. Long and Morgan (1990) and Long et al. (1995) determine their ER-M values by simply sorting existing environmental and biological data to find the median pollutant concentration at which any biological effect was observed. They considered a number of biological effects, including changes in benthic community structure. Thus, only half the samples containing a given pollutant at or above the ER-M level showed some kind of biological effect indicative of degradation. Long and Morgan (1990) did not assess the covariation among environmental variables or formally analyze the causal connection between a given pollutant variable and the biological effect observed. Other branches of the EPA and state agencies have been reluctant to codify the ER-M levels into regulations. DiToro et al. (1990, 1991, 1992) review alternate approaches for establishing sediment pollutant criteria. Strobel et al. (1995, p. 48-51) provide a nice summary of alternate approaches to estimated sediment contaminant levels. If the sediment acid volatile sulfide concentrations or organic carbon concentrations are high, a metal in excess of the ER-M level may have little significant biological

effect. Thus, only about 50% of the sites in the Virginian Province with pollutant concentrations in excess of ER-M are predicted to have significant biological effects, and this percentage might be lower if the SEM/AVS ratios are used (Strobel et al. 1995, p. 48).

The EMAP-E VP program does not provide an assessment of degraded community structure due to pollutants independent of the abiotic indicators. One of the stated goals of the EMAP program in all ecosystems was to develop indices of impacted community structure or biological effects independent of toxic loads or abiotic stressors. Ecologists were to identify samples or areas showing impacted patterns of community structure, and the assessment portion of the EMAP program was to determine whether these impacts could be due to pollution. The EMAP-E VP program begged this vital question, by assuming that sites with sediment contaminants in excess of ER-M, low dissolved oxygen, or significant amphipod toxicity, must have degraded benthic communities. The EMAP-E VP program did not develop an independent set of criteria to determine whether the patterns of community structure in the degraded sites were indeed degraded. It is entirely possible, and likely, that sites in the Virginian Province could have multiple sediment contaminants in excess of the ER-M thresholds and yet have no significant departures from 'reference' patterns of benthic community structure. The contaminants might be unavailable (e.g., bound to sulfides or organic carbon), and dissolved oxygen concentrations of 2 mg/L in the overlying water might be more than adequate for benthic respiration.

More importantly the EMAP-E VP investigators chose "reference" sites using dissolved oxygen concentration, ER-L concnetrations and amphipod toxicity. Again, toxicologists and environmental regulators, including the EPA have been reluctant to embrace the Long and Morgan ER-L levels as indicators of 'clean' sediments. The dissolved oxygen concentration one meter above the bottom does not mean that the sediments are adequately oxygenated. In fact, due to the physics of the benthic boundary layer, anoxic sediments can be associated with very high oxygen levels even centimeters above the bed. Finally, benthic communities with adequate dissolved oxygen one meter above the bed and low pollutant concentrations can still have patterns of community structure indicating recent disturbance or impact. Physical disturbance by other processes — storms, predators, disruption by fishing nets, and red tides, drifting macroalgae — can all produce patterns in community structure that indicate recent disturbance. Many of these patterns of disturbance mimic the effects of pollution. For example, the frequencies of opportunistic taxa increase, species richness declines, species evenness declines, and infaunal abundance levels change. The EMAP-E VP program developed no independent criteria to detect these 'natural' impacts.

Inconsitencies with basic benthic ecology

The third problem with the indices is that they are inconsistent with basic benthic community ecology. The 1990 index (Weisberg et al. 1993) predicts that the more capitellid polychaetes, the more likely a site is to be classified as non-degraded. Members of the genus Capitella spp. are generally regarded as pollution indicators (e.g., Grassle & Grassle 1974, Pearson and Rosenberg 1978, Grassle and Grassle 1985). Grassle and Grassle (1976) showed that the species formerly known as Capitella capitata is a sibling species complex. Most if not all of these sibling species are found in areas high concentrations of utilizable organic carbon. However, the genus Capitella is rare in the EMAP-E VP data. Capitella is found in only about ninety of the nearly two thousand EMAP-E VP samples. Moreover, it is not particularly abundant in any of those samples.

One reason why 'capitellid polychaetes' may have been important in the 1990 index is that the capitellid *Mediomastus ambiseta* is the most abundant and wide-spread taxon in the entire Virginian Province. *Mediomastus ambiseta* can be found in salinities ranging from 10 psu through 35 psu. Diaz and Schaffner's (1990) summarized the benthic species characteristic of different salinity and grain

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size habitats in Chesapeake Bay. They found that *M. ambiseta* reaches peak abundance in high mesohaline (10-18 psu salinity) muds and mixed mud and sand habitats. However, *M. ambiseta* is often the numerical dominant in high salinity coastal waters. Fuller *et al.* (1988) found *M. ambiseta* was the numerical dominant in Buzzards Bay, reaching abundances of 720,000 m⁻² in outer New Bedford Harbor. This species would be a poor choice as an indicator of pristine, unpolluted sites. Grassle & Grassle (1985) review the use of *M. ambiseta* as a pollution indicator. Grassle *et al.* (1986) observed *M. ambiseta* increase dramatically in response to eutrophication. Grassle *et al.* (1988) added sewage-sludge to the MERL tanks and again observed substantial increases in the abundance and frequency of *M. ambiseta*. Grassle *et al.* (1981) observed that *M. ambiseta* was the taxon that declined most sharply with the addition of 90 ng/g #2 fuel oil in the MERL ecosystem tanks. Using *M. ambiseta* as an indicator of high petroleum hydrocarbon concentrations in sediments is unwise, since *M. ambiseta* increased dramatically in abundance in heavily oiled offshore stations after the West Falmouth oilspill (Grassle and Smith 1976, Sanders *et al.* 1980). It is very difficult to provide any ecological basis for assuming that more capitellids indicates a lower probability of degradation.

There are two major problems with the Schimmel et al. (1994) 1991 biotic index. They used the mean number of species per grab as a discriminating variable. As Weisberg et al. (1993, Fig. 4-2) showed, salinity has a profound effect on species richness. We show the strong effect of salinity on species richness in Figure 3 (p. 13) Any index based on species richness which fails to take salinity into account will classify many non-degraded low-salinity sites as degraded. Strobel et al. (1995, p. A-12) noted this, stating that the 1991 Index is "highly correlated with salinity and appared to misclassify good sites in the oligohaline [<5 psu] and impacted sites in the meso- [5-18 psu] and polyhaline [>18 psu]."

The 1991 and 1992 biotic indices failed to incorporate a correction for the effects of salinity on species richness because they combined salinity with total organic carbon concentration (TOC) in the normalization. This was not a proper way to assess the covariation of salinity and diversity. Figure 5 (p. 14) shows the expected species at different TOC concentrations predicted by that function at three different salinities (1 psu, 18 psu, 30 psu). All EMAP-E VP samples with greater than 3.5% TOC are expected to have less than 0 species. Dividing observed by expected species number can produce high adjusted species richness values in the range 3 to 3.5% or negative species richness numbers if TOC is greater than 3.5%. Simultaneously normalizing TOC and salinity together was not a good idea.

Total organic carbon concentration in sediments is one of the best indicators of both contamination and eutrophication. It is not a natural environmental factor like salinity, temperature, or depth. Wallace et al. (1991) have shown that sediment total organic carbon concentration is tightly coupled with sediment heavy metal concentrations in Boston Harbor. The correlation is often 0.9 or higher. In Boston's Inner Harbor, sediments with TOC concentrations of about 3.3 % are either anoxic in the late summer or contain about six species per grab. Figure 5 (p. 14) shows that these sites would have 100% or more of the expected species richness expected at these organic carbon concentrations. Strobel et al. (1995, Figure 3-27) shows that TOC in the Virginian Province ranged from 0 to 7%, with roughly 10% of the Province having TOC concentrations greater than 3% organic carbon. By not adding a proper normalization for salinity, the 1991 and 1992 indices would be highly likely to classify non-degraded oligohaline sites as degraded, as Strobel et al. (1995) noted.

The 1990-1993 Index, shown on p. 15, was developed by Strobel et al. (1995). This index has three terms: salinity-normalized Gleason's D species richness, spionid abundance, and salinity-adjusted tubificid oligochaete abundance. We will discuss each term of the equation.

The 1990-1993 index, like Weisberg et al.'s (1993) Index, normalizes species diversity by salinity. Species diversity is calculated using Gleason's D (Gleason 1922). We show the relationship between Gleason's D and salinity in Figure 6 (p. 16). Washington (1984, p. 661) included Gleason's D for historical purposes only, noting that it "has not been used extensively in the recent literature, being replaced by Margalef's." Gleason's D has some very poor statistical properties (as does Margalef's index). Imagine a situation where all of the individuals in the sediments are independently Poisson distributed (i.e., randomly placed). Gleason's D, the number of species divided by the natural log of the number of individuals, is one of the only diversity indices listed in Washington (1984) that declines as larger samples (either by area or numbers) are collected. Margalef's index also declines with increasing sample size. Most other indices either remain the same (H, H', E(S_n)) or increase (total species) with increasing sample size. Even with a fixed sample area, this sample-size dependence is a serious problem. In two grabs containing an identical number of species, with identical frequencies, Gleason's D will find that the sample with the lowest abundance has the highest diversity.

The final two terms of the 1990-1993 index are based on spionid abundance and tubificid oligochaete abundance, the latter scaled by salinity. It is difficult to assess this index using the existing EMAP-E VP publications. Oligochaetes were never identified below Class Oligochaeta in samples collected from areas where bottom salinity was greater than 5 psu. We are assuming that Strobel et al. (1995) are following Weisberg et al. (1993, p. 2-12) in assuming that most oligochaetes in habitats with salinities > 5 psu are tubificids. This is not true, but given the assumption that most marine oligochaetes are tubificids, we can calculate how many tubificids and spionids per m² are sufficient to produce a classification of "degraded" if the Gleason's D diversity is 100% of the expected value. Figure 7 plots this relationship. If a sample has 100% of the expected Gleason's D diversity, then observing more than 7000 spionids per m² at 30 psu salinity indicates that a sample is degraded. Observing 17(XX) tubificids per m² at 30 psu indicates

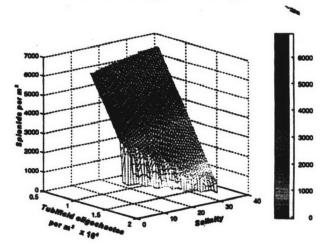


Figure 7 The 1990-1993 EMAP-E VP index (p. 15) was recast to predict the number of tubificid oligochaetes and spionid polychaetes necessary to equal 100% of the expected Gleason's D diversity at salinities from 0 to 35 psu (plotted in Fig. 6, p. 16). A sample with 100% Gleason's D diversity that plots to the right or above this veil would be classified as degraded. At 30 psu, 7000 spionids per m² or 17,000 tubificids per m² indicates degradation.

degradation. Fewer tubificids are required to indicate degradation at lower salinities.

Spionid polychaetes are a species-rich successful family of polychaete worms. There are a handful of spionid polychaete species that have been used as pollution indicators, most notably Streblospio benedicti and Polydora cornuta. However, both of these species are natural components of shallow or mesohaline habitats in the Virginian province. Dauer et al. (1981) reviews the factors controlling the distribution and abundance of the six major spionid species in Chesapeake Bay. Members of the polychaete family Spionida are among the most important members of the Chesapeake Bay benthos in all sediment types and most salinities. The family Spionidae cannot be used as a pollution indicator. Spionids are among the most abundant surface deposit and suspension feeding organisms in habitats ranging from the intertidal zone to the deep sea. The abundance of individuals belonging to this polychaete family does not indicate either pollution or disturbance. The 1990-1993 index sets a 5000-

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7000 spionid per m² threshold for degradation (Fig. 7) and would classify many pristine areas as degraded.

Inadequate taxonomic data and documentation

One of the three terms in the 1990-1993 Index is based on the abundance of tubificid oligochaetes. This family of organisms was never identified in samples collected in areas with more than 5 psu. The only variable in the EMAP-E VP for these samples is the number of individuals of Class Oligochaeta. In evaluating this index, we assumed that Strobel et al. (1995) followed Weisberg et al. (1993) in arguing that most oligochaetes in marine waters are tubificids. This assumption may not be true. If only individuals properly identified as tubificids are used, then all marine samples automatically have 0 tubificid abundance and after scaling, the second term in the 1990-1993 benthic degradation index (p. 15) becomes positive. We would not recommend basing one of the three terms of the biotic index on a variable that was not measured in the majority of stations.

It is difficult to evaluate the 1991 index, because it is based on the abundance of opportunistic polychaetes. The list of species considered to be opportunistic is not provided in any of the EMAP-E reports.

Community Structure Analyses of Virginian Province

The 1918 samples in the full EMAP data set were analyzed using COMPAH and PCA-H. A subset of the full data set was created. This subset contained all samples for which salinity data existed and which had infaunal abundances greater than 25 individuals. Replicate grabs from each sampling event were summed and used only if the maximum CNESS distance among the three replicates was less than 0.7. We used only base sampling sites represented by three replicate grabs in this analysis. A CNESS value of 0.7 indicates tremendous differences in community structure. Only 371 'sampling events' in the full EMAP data set met both the CNESS cutoff and salinity criteria.

Diversity analyses

In this section we will evaluate the correlations among diversity indices using the EMAP-E VP data, and the covariation of diversity with salinity. Of the diversity indices that might be used in the EMAP-E VP program, the two with the richest body of theory are Shannon's H' and Hurlbert's expected number of species $E(S_n)$. $E(S_{10})$ is the expected number of species if 10 individuals are drawn at random from a sample. Peet (1974) and Smith *et al.* (1979a) showed that Hurlbert's $E(S_{10})$ is highly correlated with the Shannon's H' diversity index. Figure 8 shows this relationship.

Either $E(S_{10})$ or H' would provide an assessment of diversity of EMAP-E VP samples. However, both of these indices are

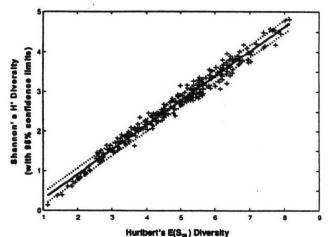


Figure 8. At a random size of 10 individuals, the Sanders-Hurlbert expected number of species $E(S_n)$ is highly correlated with Shannon's H' diversity. The above shows the association with EMAP-E data (all 4 years, replicates combined). The R^2 is 97.8%. The 95% confidence limits are based on 3 replicate grabs.

sensitive to the evenness component of diversity and neither one is particularly sensitive to species richness. At a larger random sample size, E(S_n) becomes increasingly sensitive to species richness. The relationship between E(S₁₀) and total species per event is shown in Figure 9. A nearly identical pattern (but with a different scale) is found when Shannon's H' is plotted versus total species. E(S₁₀) is correlated with Total species per event (Figure 9), but the two diversity indices are obviously measuring different components of species diversity. It is possible to have a sampling site with over 60 species collected in 3 grabs that would have a species diversity much lower than the median $(E(S_{10})<5)$. This pattern would be expected if one or a few species made up most of the individuals in a sample.

Neither $E(S_{10})$ nor Shannon's H' are strongly correlated with Gleason's D diversity (Figure 10).

We have performed an analysis that shows at a glance the correlations among the major diversity indices and Hurlbert's E(S_n) with increasing sample size. The diversity of the 371 EMAP-E VP event data set was analyzed using four different diversity indices. The nonparametric correlation between the ranked diversity was compared with the E(S_n) diversity with n ranging from 2 to 200. E(S₂) is Simpson's diversity+1. At larger random sample sizes, E(S_n) becomes more strongly correlated with both Gleason's D and total number of species per sampling event (Figure 11). Figure 11 clearly shows that there is no universal index of diversity. Gleason's D clearly falls in the class of indices that are more heavily influenced by species richness.

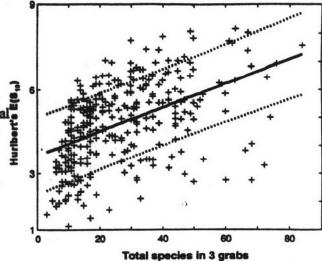


Figure 9. Sanders-Hurlbert diversity $E(S_n)$ at n=10 is only weakly correlated with species per sampling event ($R^2=23.1\%$). The 95% confidence limit is based on 3 replicates.

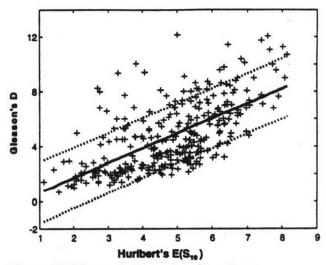


Figure 10 Gleason's D species diversity vs. Hurlbert's $E(S_{10})$. The 95% confidence limits for 3 replicates are shown.

Shannon's H' is sensitive to species richness, but it is also strongly influenced by species evenness. In a later section we will review the effects of pollution on diversity. Pollution and disturbance can affect both the richness and diversity components of diversity. One virtue of analyzing the effects of pollution in the EMAP-E Virginian Province using the evenness component of diversity is that it shows virtually no statistical association with salinity (Figure 12).

Sanders-Hurlbert $E(S_{10})$ is positively correlated with salinity (Figure 13), but this relationship is much weaker than either the correlation between total species and salinity (Figure 3, p. 13) or Gleason's D

and salinity (Figure 6, p. 16). At this random sample size, $E(S_{10})$ is sensitive to both the species richness and evenness components of diversity.

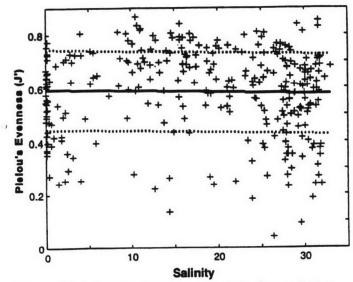


Figure 11. There is virtually no statistical association between species evenness, as estimated by J', the evenness measure for Shannon's H', and salinity $(R^2=0.2\%)$.

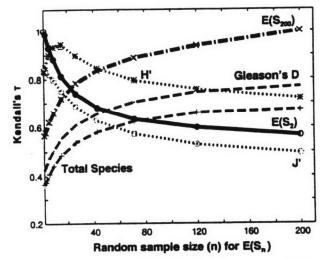


Figure 12. The nonparametric Kendall's τ correlation between Sanders-Hurlbert diversity $E(S_n)$ at various random sample sizes, n, is plotted versus other diversity indices. Brillouin's H (not shown) plots just below the line for Shannon's H'. $E(S_{200})$ is the largest n shown. At small n, $E(S_n)$ is sensitive to both species richness and evenness. At high n, $E(S_n)$ is more strongly associated with species richness. $E(S_n)$ is highly correlated with H' at n=10 (see Figure 8).

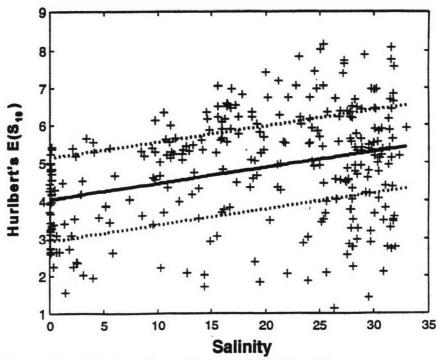


Figure 13. $E(S_{10})$ is only weakly correlated with salinity.

Cluster analysis

Sample clusters

The large sample cluster analysis of all four years of EMAP-E VP data is found in Appendix IV. The major pattern in the data set is the clear break between all samples taken in the 0-5 psu salinity regime from the other mesohaline and oligohaline samples (5 to 35 psu). There is a further break among the higher salinity samples corresponding to a salinity of roughly 15 psu (not the 18 psu used in the stratification of degraded and clean reference sites in the creation of EMAP-E VP degradation indices).

There is a considerable amount of within-site, among-season and among-year variation in the EMAP-E VP data. In Appendix IV, two degraded and two clean reference sites are colored to show the extent of this variation. On a qualitative level, there appears to be as much variation among samples taken at the same site during different seasons (e.g., New Bedford Harbor 099 sampled on August 15, 1990 and September 4, 1990) as there is between any difference between degraded vs. clean (using the criteria in Weisberg et al. 1993 and Schimmel et al. 1994). There appears to be as much variation at New Bedford site 099, sampled during the same year but 3 weeks apart, as between any pair of estuarine stations (salinity > 5 psu) in the entire data set. It was impossible to analyze the full extent of within site variation relative to the degraded vs. non-degraded dichotomy since most of the 'degraded' samples, especially in the oligohaline and mesohaline portions of the Virginian Province, had fewer than 25 individuals per grab and were dropped from the analysis.

Species clusters

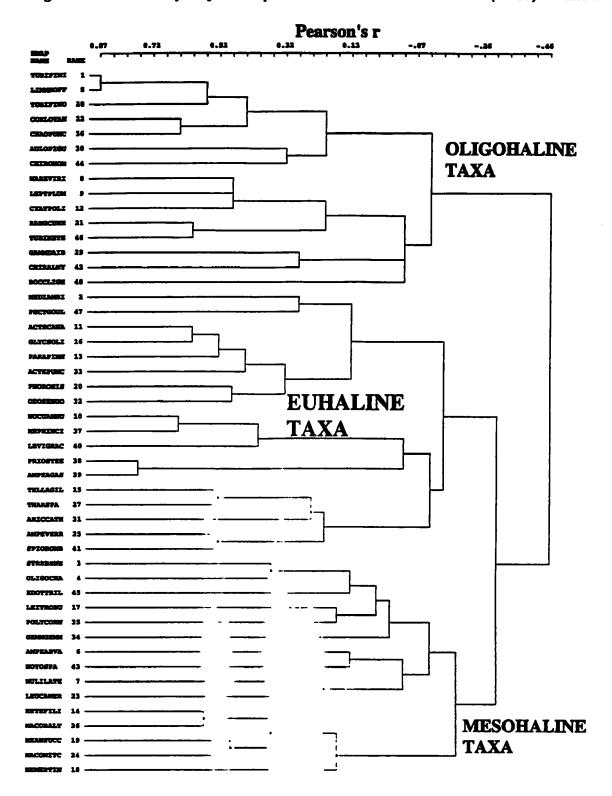
Clustering of species reveals three distinct groupings of species (Figure 14), roughly corresponding to the oligohaline, mesohaline, and euhaline habitats in the Virginian Province. All species that contributed at least 0.5% of the variation in the EMAP-E VP CNESS distances among stations are

shown. Within each of these large salinity-controlled groupings are groups that are characteristic of different grain sizes, biogeographic regions, and depths.

The low salinity species assemblage in Figure 14 consists of two sub groupings. The first subgrouping (TUBIFWI to CHIRONOM) are mainly taxa which could only be found in samples from 0-5 psu salinity, since they involve taxonomic designations not used for samples taken from areas higher than 5 psu salinity. The most important contributor to CNESS distances in the 1990-1993 EMAP-E VP data is the taxon TUBIFTWI, which is the EMAP-E VP code for Tubificidae with capiliform chaetae (see Appendix II for translations for the EMAP-E VP species codes). This group probably does not represent a single species. The fifth most important taxon is LIMNHOFF, Limnodrilus hoffmeisteri. TUBIFWO, the 28th most important contributor is another composite taxon; the EMAP-E VP species code stands for Tubificidae without capiliform chaetae.

The oligohaline species group also includes some very important macroinfaunal species. The spionid polychaete Marenzelleria viridis (MAREVIRI), formerly called Scolecolepides viridis, is the eighth most important contributor to CNESS distances in the Virginian Province. It tends to occur with the amphipod Leptocheirus plumulosus (LEPTPLUM) and the isopod Cyathura polita (CYATPOLI). These oligohaline to low mesohaline taxa tend to be geographically wide-spread in the Virginian Province. These latter three taxa are also abundant throughout the Gulf of Maine region (EMAP-E VP's Arcadian Province).

Figure 14. Cluster analysis of the 48 species that contribute most to CNESS (m=25) variation.



The euhaline species assemblage, shown in Figure 14, consists of two subgroupings. The most important species in the first grouping and the second most important taxon contributing to CNESS faunal distances in the entire Virginian Province is the capitellid polychaete *Mediomastus ambiseta* (MEDIAMBI). This head-down subsurface deposit feeder is also the most abundant taxon in the entire Virginian Province.

Included within the second euhaline species assemblage is the Nucula annulata (NUCUANNU), Nephtys incisa (NEPHINCI) group. These two taxa, tenth and thirty-seventh most important contributors to CNESS distance, are the classic indicator species for both Long Island Sound and Buzzards Bay infaunal communities (Sanders 1956, 1960). Sanders (1956), in his Yale Ph.D. dissertation, described the Long Island Sound benthos using the Petersen-Thorson descriptive designations as a Nucula proxima - Nephtys incisa community. Buzzards Bay was described as being a Nucula proxima - Yoldia limatula - Nephtys incisa community. Yoldia limatula (YOLDLIMA), a larger but less abundant protobranch bivalve, was not among the top forty-eight species contributing the CNESS distances, but is the first taxon to cluster with Nucula annulata in the species cluster analysis of all 551 EMAP-E VP taxa (Appendix V). Subsequent to Sanders' surveys of Long Island Sound and Buzzards Bay, Hampson (1971) found that there are two Nucula sibling species in the region: Nucula proxima dominates in nearshore fine sands and Nucula annulata dominates offshore muds. The two species have nearly allopatric distributions, and can be distinguished by the locations of the abductor muscles on the inside of the shells. Both have probably been combined in the EMAP-E VP designation NUCUANNU since the widespread and abundant taxon Nucula proxima is not among the EMAP-E VP species.

Within the second euhaline species assemblage are the tellinid bivalve *Tellina agilis* (TELLAGIL), the cirratulid polychaete *Tharyx sp. A Morris* (THARSPA), the paraonid polychaete *Arricidea catherinae* (ARICCATH), the ampeliscid amphipod *Ampelisca verrilli* (AMPEVERR), and the spionid polychaete *Spiophanes bombyx* (SPIOBOMB).

The mesohaline species assemblage, shown in Figure 14, also consists of two sub groupings. The mesohaline taxa include some of the most abundant and wide-spread taxa in the Virginian and Arcadian provinces. All of these taxa can be found in both the shallow subtidal zone (usually in intermediate salinities) and the intertidal zone. The spionid polychaete Streblospio benedicti Webster (STREBENE) is a typical numerical dominant in intertidal zones throughout the Virginian and Arcadian Provinces (e.g., 1982, Trueblood et al. 1994, Diaz and Schaffner 1990). This spionid is the third most important contributor to the variance in CNESS distances among Virginian province samples. In the subtidal, S. benedicti dominates in areas of intermediate salinities (~15-25 psu). The EMAP-E VP taxon with the highest affinity to this spionid is the class Oligochaeta (OLIGOCHA). This composite EMAP-E VP taxon is only used for samples having salinities greater than 5 psu, at lower salinities the oligochaetes are further divided into species and designations such as Tubificoides with capiliform setae (TUBIFIWI, see above). Also associated with this Streblospio benedicti -Oligochaete assemblage are other taxa characteristic of the intertidal zone, but which also can be very abundant in shallow subtidal mesohaline environments. These include the spionid polychaete Polydora cornuta, formerly called P. ligni, (POLYCORN), the orbiniid polychaete Leitoscoloplos robustus (LEITROBU), the isopod Edotea triloba (EDOTTRIL), and the venerid bivalve Gemma gemma (GEMMGEMM). Each of these taxa is abundant in intertidal and shallow subtidal mesohaline zones throughout the Virginian and Arcadian provinces.

Included in the first mesohaline species assemblage is the Ampelisca abdita-Ampelisca vadorum complex (AMPEABVA). This sibling species group is the third most abundant taxon in the Virginian province (1st in the NY/NJ REMAP data) and the sixth most important contributor to the variance in

CNESS distances among stations. Ampelisca abdita is the species used in the EMAP-E VP amphipod toxicity assays. Ampelisca abdita and A. vadorum constitute a sibling species complex (Mills 1967). Since the juveniles cannot be distinguished, the adults of both species are pooled with the juveniles in the EMAP-E VP taxon (AMPEABVA). This sibling species complex co-occurs with the capitellid polychaete Notomastus sp. A Ewing (NOTOSPA). The opportunistic mactrid bivalve Mulinia lateralis (MULILATE) is the seventh most important contributor to CNESS distances. It is weakly associated with the cumacean Leucon americanus (LEUCAMER).

The following mesohaline taxa form a well-defined assemblage, characteristic of slightly lower salinities than the remaining mesohaline taxa: the capitellid polychaete *Heteromastus filiformis* (HETEFILI), the opportunistic tellinid bivalve *Macoma balthica* (MACOBALT), the nereid polychaete *Neanthes succinea* (NEANSUCC), the tellinid bivalve *Macoma mitchelli* (MACMITC), and members of the class Nemertinea (NEMERTIN). Each of these taxa can be found in intertidal zones throughout the Virginian and Arcadian provinces, and thrive in lower mesohaline salinities in the lower subtidal.

Notable for its absence from the species cluster analysis in Figure 14 is the sibling species complex Capitella. Figure 14 contains only the most important contributors to CNESS distance, and Capitella is a minor component of the Virginian Province communities, being found in only eighty nine samples. As shown in Appendix V, the pollution-indicating Capitella sibling species complex appears to be just another relatively rare euhaline taxon. Surprisingly, the species with the highest affinity to Capitella in the full species cluster analysis (Appendix V) is the portunid crab Ovalipes ocellatus (OVALOCEL). Of the forty eight taxa shown in Figure 14, Capitella is associated most closely with the cirratulid polychaete Tharyx sp. A Morris (THARSPA).

PCA-H analysis

The first step in the PCA-H analysis was to determine a random sample size, or NESSm, for the CNESS faunal distance index. This random sample size should produce a faunal distance index that is sensitive to the contribution of both rare and abundant species in the community. A NESSm of approximately 20-25 produces an index that is highly correlated (tau > 0.8) with both CNESS (NESSm=1 or Orloci's chord distance) and CNESS (NESSm=100).

Figure 15 shows the Gabriel covariance biplot of species (Gabriel 1971). This is a different way of plotting the species data that were clustered in Figure 14. This figure shows the major species groups in the entire Virginian Province. Only those species that contributed at least 1% to the variation in community structure (measured by CNESS) are plotted. This figure shows the major gradient in species distributions as a function of salinity in the Virginian province. The cluster of species vectors at about 4 o'clock consists of species that were only identified in samples taken from less than 5 psu salinity areas. Oligochaetes, Mulinia lateralis, and Streblospio benedicti are all characteristic of intermediate salinities in the Virginian Province (about 15 psu). The spionid polychaete Marenzelleria viridis, the isopod Cyathura polita, and the aorid amphipod Leptocheirus plumulosus are characteristic of slightly lower salinities (5-10 psu). Ampelisca abdita and A. vadorum are associated with higher salinities. The key species indicating euhaline conditions in the Virginian province is the capitellid polychaete Mediomastus ambiseta. The final three species vectors represent Howard Sanders' classic Long Island Sound and Buzzards Bay Nucula-Yoldia-Nephtys incisa community (Sanders 1956 and 1960).

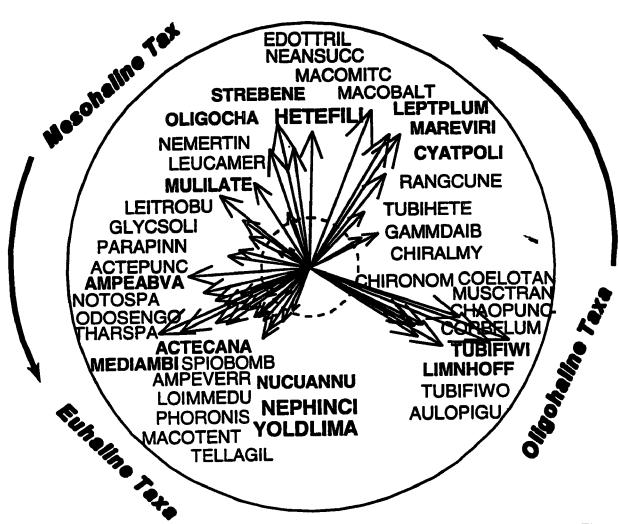


Figure 15 This is the Gabriel covariance biplot corresponding to the species clusters shown in Figure 14. Each of the 48 most important species is indicated by a vector (arrow), and the cosine of the angle between vectors is a measure of whether species are likely to be found in the same samples. A remarkable feature of this plot is that the major species groupings in different salinity regimes can be read sequentially by moving from 4 o'clock counterclockwise to 7 o'clock. The species codes can be found in Appendix III. Some key species discussed in the text are bolded.

Figure 16 shows the Gabriel Euclidean distance biplot for the 1736 samples containing more than 25 individuals (out of 1918 total samples). The most important taxon accounting for CNESS variation among samples is the oligochaete taxon 'Tubificoides with capiliform chaetae' (TUBIFTWI in Figures 14 and 15). This taxon alone accounts for 5% of the total CNESS variation among samples. The samples in the upper left portion of this plot are all characterized by having high frequencies of Tubificoides with capiliform chaetae and Limnodrilus hoffmeisteri. The relative frequency of these key species can be determined by projecting each sample onto the species vectors at right angles.

As one moves counterclockwise around Figure 16 from the upper left, the samples are distributed according to salinity. The key species contributing to the position of samples in the first two PCA-H axes are the oligohaline isopod Cyathura polita (CYATPOLI in Figures 14-16), the spionid polychaete Marenzelleria viridis (MAREVIRI), the aorid amphipod Leptocheirus plumulosa (LEPTPLUM), the capitellid polychaete Heteromastus filiformis (HETEFILI), the spionid

polychaete Streblospio benedicti (STREBENE), and members of the class oligochaeta (OLIGOCHA - an EMAP-E VP designation used only for oligochaetes collected from samples with salinity > 5 psu). The upper right euhaline portion of the biplot is controlled by two euhaline taxa: the capitellid polychaete Mediomastus ambiseta (MEDIAMBI), and the gastropod Acteocina canaliculata (ACTECANA).

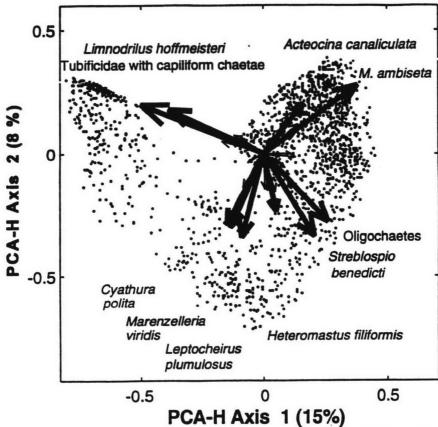


Figure 16. A Gabriel Euclidean distance biplot of the full (1918 sample, 551 species) EMAP Virginian Province data at m=25. All species vectors are plotted; only those accounting for 2% of the variation in the first 2 dimensions are labeled. The ten most important species contributing to CNESS distances are Tubificoides with capilliform chaetae (55), M. ambiseta, S. benedicti, oligochaetes (4%), Ampelisca abdita-vadorum complex (3%, not shown), Mullinia lateralis (3%, not shown), Marenzelleria (formerly Scolecolepides) viridis (3%), and Nucula annulata (2%, not shown). The important species not shown in this plot are important contributors to the third PCA-H axis.

The 1736 samples in Figure 16 were pooled if salinity data existed for the samples and if the CNESS distances among replicates were less than 0.7 (a large CNESS distance, see Methods). The biplot prooduced for these 320 samples are analyzed in Figures 17-23.

Figure 17 shows the PCA-H ordination of samples, with all samples in 5 psu increments being surrounded with different colored convex hulls. This figure shows clearly that PCA-H axis 1 serves largely to separate samples with salinities less than 5 psu from the remaining samples. Undoubtedly, some of this clear demarcation among samples is due to the use of different taxonomic designations for

EMAP-E VP samples taken from areas with less than 5 psu. It is also clear that there is a second, but less distinct break in community structure between the 5-15 and 15-35 psu samples. In the first two PCA-H axes, the 15-35 psu samples plot on top of each other, but they are separable in the plot of the 2 vs. 3 PCA-H axes, which are shown in Figure 18.

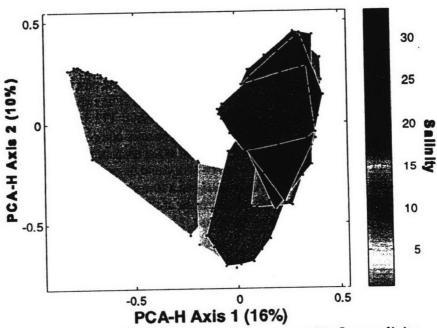


Figure 17. Convex hulls containing all samples within 5 psu salinity ranges are plotted vs. PCA-H Axes 1 and 2. PCA-H Axis 1 is controlled almost entirely by the contrast between 0-5 and 5-35 psu salinity.

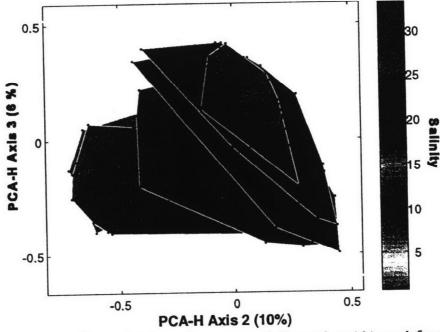


Figure 18. Convex hulls are drawn around all samples within each 5 psu salinity range vs. PCA-H Axes 2 and 3. Salinity is still a major determinant of PCA-H scores in the second and higher dimensions.

In the two dimensional PCA-H displays in Figure 17, the salinity groupings appear to form a horse-shoe (often called a Kendall's horseshoe) or U shape. This is the expected low-dimensional projection of salinity-controlled coenocline. Salinity continues to control community structure in the 3rd and higher PCA-H dimensions (Fig. 18).

The strong effect of salinity on PCA-H site scores in the first two PCA-H dimensions is graphically shown in Figure 19. The salinity of each sampling event is plotted in the third dimension vs. the first two PCA-H site scores (shown in Figure 17). The samples shown in the contour plot above the figure are distributed in a counter-clockwise fashion from the lower left of the plot to the upper right. The euhaline portion of the estuarine coenocline is shown in the upper right. The two arrows in the mesohaline (10-15 psu) portion of the plot mark two Hudson River samples (VA90-177 and VA90-198), which had measured salinities of 7.35 and 9.55 psu, but which had species compositions characteristic of salinities 3 or 4 psu higher. These two samples produced a 'hole' in the contour plot (marked with the red and green contours for 15 and 10 psu, respectively). This pattern could be produced in a tidal river system when the salinity decreased from 11 to 14 psu to 7 to 10 psu a few weeks before the benthic grab samples were taken. Within the oligohaline and mesohaline portions of the Virginian province, species composition is a very good predictor of salinity (but not vice versa).

The upper right euhaline portion of Figure 19 reveals a rugged mountainous topography. Samples within this region have species compositions characteristic of salinities greater than 15 psu, but there isn't a clear one-to-one correspondence between salinity and community structure.

Figure 20 shows the total number of species per sampling event vs. PCA-H axes 1 and 2. At salinities less than 15 psu, the number of species per sampling event is closely coupled to salinity. At salinities greater than 15 psu, there is a great deal of variation in the total species per sampling event. Undoubtedly some of this variation is due to the effects of disturbance, and some is due to depth, grain-

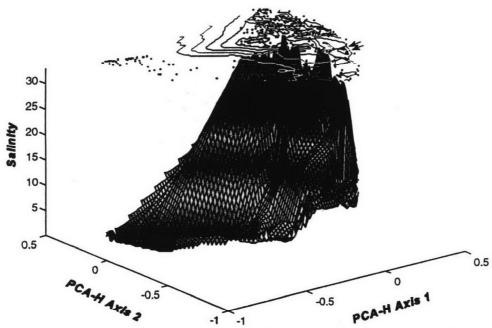


Figure 19. Salinity is plotted against PCA-H Axis 1 and 2, showing that salinity is a major factor controlling community structure. The arrows on the right indicate the two Hudson River samples discussed in the text.

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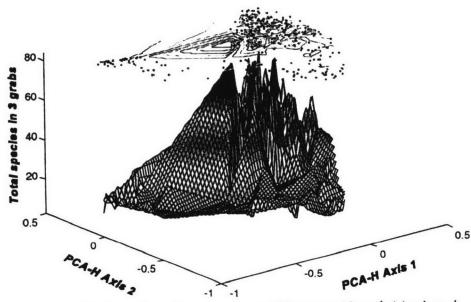


Figure 20. Total number of species per sampling event (3 grabs) is plotted against PCA-H Axes 1 and 2. Total species in 3 grabs in the oligohaline habits (lower left, see Figs. 17 and 19) is uniformly low. Total species in 3 grabs in the euhaline habitats (upper right, see also Figs. 17 & 19) in the Virginian province is much higher, with a much higher variance.

size and biogeographic factors. All of these factors are secondary to the dominant salinity effect.

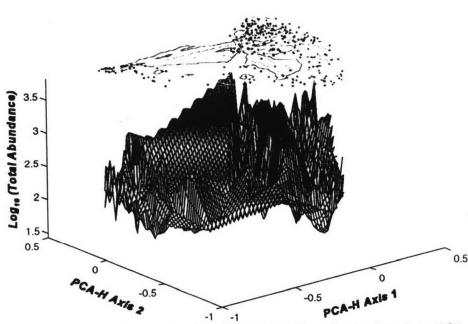


Figure 21. Log₁₀ (Total individuals in 3 0.044 m² grabs) is plotted vs. PCA-H Axes 1 and 2. Infaunal abundances are very low in the oligohaline (<10 psu) portion of the Virginian Province. Abundances are more variable in the euhaline estuarine habitats.

Figure 21 shows that the oligohaline and mesohaline portions of the Virginian province are also associated with relatively low population abundances (< 1000 individuals per 3 0.044 m² grab samples). We plot the log₁₀ of abundance, because abundance in 3 grabs varies from 25 (the lower cutoff for our analyses) to over three thousand.

Figure 22 shows the plot of the Sanders-Hurlbert E(S₁₀) diversity index vs. PCA-H axes 1 vs. 2. This diversity index exhibits a very high correlation with Shannon's H' (see Fig. 8 p. 23). Shannon's H' is far less sensitive to salinity effects than 'Total species per sampling event'. Shannon's H', while often used as a species richness index, is very sensitive to species evenness, or the relative distribution of individuals among species. The 'potholes' in Figure 22 indicate samples which have roughly the same salinity-controlled species composition as adjacent samples, but which have very low species evenness. One of the predicted effects of pollution is a drastic reduction in species evenness in a sample. Pollution or disturbance could produce the 'potholes' in Figure 22.

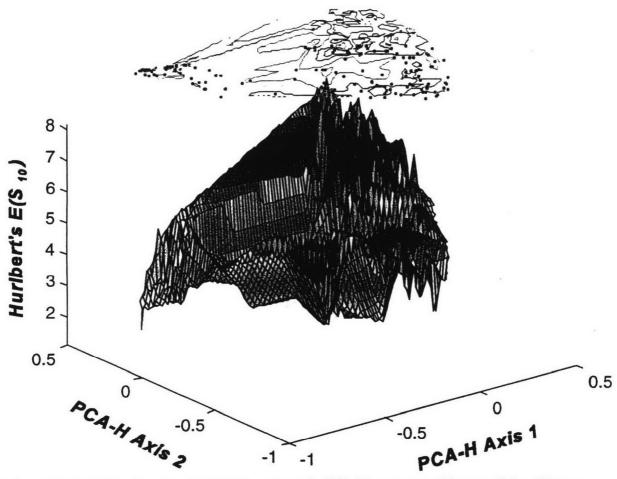


Figure 22. $E(S_{10})$ is plotted vs. PCA-H Axes 1 and 2. $E(S_{10})$ is not as sensitive to salinity effects as total species. 'Potholes' in the landscape may pinpoint the degraded areas within each salinity regime.

CONCLUSIONS

On the central role of salinity

It is apparent from our analyses that salinity is the dominant factor controlling EMAP-E VP community structure. Part of this is due to the differences in taxonomy used to sort EMAP-E VP samples from low-salinity regions. More than that, salinity is a major determinant of species richness and community composition. This comes as no surprise. Sanders et al. (1965) reached this conclusion in their survey of the Pocasset River in Massachusetts They concluded that the variance in salinity as well as its absolute value restricts the number of species present. Boesch (1977b) and Diaz and Schaffner (1990) have stressed the central role played by salinity in controlling benthic community structure in Chesapeake Bay. To our knowledge, the analyses in this report provide one of the clearest demonstrations of the role of salinity as the major factor controlling community structure in a broad biogeographic region.

Weisberg et al. 's (1993) 1990 EMAP-E VP benthic degradation index (Weisberg et al. 1993) explicitly accounted for the effects of salinity on species richness. Salinity effects were not properly assessed in the 1991 and 1992 indices, but Strobel et al. (1995) again designed their 1990-1993 index to remove the strong effects of salinity. The sampling properties of Gleason's D diversity are not well worked out. Gleason's D diversity is not among the diversity indices that ecologists use. We would strongly recommend that future analyses use Shannon's H' or Hurlbert's E(S_n). Hurlbert's E(S_n) has the advantage that it can be made more sensitive to species richness by increasing the sample size. Total species per grab is an acceptable index of diversity. However, as our analyses show, it cannot be used without careful removal of the overriding effects of salinity. Salinity is strongly correlated with the total number of species (Figure 3, p. 13). Without explicitly removing the effects of salinity, a degradation index based on species richness would have a tendency to identify oligohaline and mesohaline habitats as degraded. This tendency would be compounded if the list of opportunistic taxa used in several EMAP-E VP indices included species that are the natural dominants of oligohaline and mesohaline environments.

Suggestions for improving EMAP-E VP

Sampling

Two major problems appeared in our preparation of the EMAP-E VP data for community structure analysis. First, many of the replicate grabs from a site were extremely heterogeneous (CNESS > 0.7). Approximately 1/4 of the sampling sites were discarded because the three replicate grab samples were too heterogeneous to be considered true replicates. If the goal of the analysis is to characterize community structure alone, then this heterogeneity is important. However, in comparing sediment chemistry data collected from a different set of grabs than the benthic community structure data, it is essential that the benthic samples exhibit adequate replication. A CNESS distance of 0.7 or above indicates drastic changes in community structure, comparable to sampling sand vs. mud or sampling the same community in early spring and late summer (see Trueblood et al. 1994). We suspect that the small-scale heterogeneity was such that different sediment types were sampled with the three replicate biology grabs. If the three benthic grab samples indicate differences in community structure comparable to sampling sand vs. mud, then we felt that we could not trust the corresponding chemical data from the site. Would it correspond to the sandy benthic samples or the muddy ones? The extent

of the inter-replicate within site variance can be obtained by examining the clustering patterns of the sample cluster analysis in Appendix IV.

A second troubling feature of the EMAP-E VP analysis is shown in Appendix IV. In the 1990 sampling, triplicate box cores were taken from a site (STA 099) in New Bedford Harbor on August 15 and September 4, 1990. The differences in community structure at this single site with samples taken three weeks apart is as great as that observed between 'degraded' Chesapeake Bay euhaline samples and 'Clean' Nantucket Sound samples. Additional seasonal sampling should be carried out in the Virginian province to establish the extent of seasonal variability in the benthic communities.

Taxonomic issues

The EMAP-E VP program should have archived taxonomic reference material. The taxonomy of even the most wide-spread taxa in the Virginian province changes on the decadal time scale. Future ecologists will never know what species were really sampled in the EMAP-E VP. This is not the fault of the consulting firm which analyzed the EMAP-E VP data (Cove Associates). Cove Associates uses the latest taxonomic keys and certifies their species identifications with experts. Unfortunately, every year brings new taxonomic revisions. Currently, the status of the most abundant taxon in the EMAP-E VP data is in doubt. *Mediomastus ambiseta* was first described on the East Coast only in the early 1970s by Hobson (1971). Before that time, all *Mediomastus* were probably incorrectly identified as the capitellid *Heteromastus filiformis*, another Virginian province taxon which thrives at much lower salinity.

Mediomastus is not just another worm. It is the most abundant taxon in the entire Virginian province. There is a dramatic break in the distribution of Mediomastus ambiseta and M. californiensis at Cape Cod. Tim Morris at Cove Associates, who identified the capitellids in the EMAP-E VP program, was responsible for correcting a decades-old misclassification of *Mediomastus* in the Gulf of Maine. Throughout the 1960s and 1970s, the dominant Mediomastus species in Massachusetts Bay and Cape Cod Bay was misidentified as Capitella capitata, Heteromastus filiformis, or Mediomastus ambiseta. When Cove Associates was hired by the MWRA to process benthic samples in Massachusetts Bay in the mid 1980s, Morris identified the dominant Mediomastus species as Mediomastus californiensis. Since Morris's revelation, not a single Mediomastus ambiseta has been positively identified North of Cape Cod. All Mediomastus appear to be M. californiensis. Mediomastus californiensis was originally described from a California mudflat, and is the numerical dominant at the Los Angeles sewer outfall (Swartz et al. 1986), and in many areas of Puget Sound (Llanso, unpublished Puget Sound Ambient Monitoring data). Swartz et al. (1986) concluded that M. californiensis was an indicator of mild organic enrichment. In 1973, Day published a key to the polychaetes of the North Carolina region, listing Mediomastus californiensis as being common off Beaufort North Carolina in 10-20 meters depth. Day (1973) did not list M. ambiseta, and his description of M. californiensis lists the presence of the key characteristic that separates M. ambiseta and M. californiensis (abdominal neuropodia with hooks). In 1981, Ewing and Dauer published a key to the Chesapeake Bay capitellids that included both M. ambiseta and M. californiensis. Mediomastus californiensis is the only Mediomastus species found in the offshore Minerals Management Survey of the Gulf of Mexico (Ewing 1984).

The only Mediomastus species identified in the first three years of the EMAP-E VP program was Mediomastus ambiseta. Before the processing of the final year of EMAP-E VP data, the 1993 sampling, Morris (pers. comm.) identified M. californiensis for the first time within the Virginian province. This key species was found in only thirteen samples in the 1993 sampling. Cove Associates keeps archive samples of the Mediomastus collected from Massachusetts Bay and the Gulf of Maine,

and Morris has been examining the individuals of this key genus. Virtually all of the Mediomastus individuals from the first three years of EMAP-E VP sampling were destroyed in order to estimate biomass. This is very unfortunate. Reference material from the EMAP-E VP program would have been very valuable in determining the broad-scale distribution of this key genus. The problem is even more serious because the extensive Minerals Management Service Survey of the Georges Bank region (Neff et al. 1989, Battelle & WHOL, 1985) identified a third Mediomastus species: Mediomastus fragilis. This identification was confirmed by Linda Warren, who has recently revised the genus Mediomastus (Warren et al. 1994). Mediomastus fragilis, first identified in Northern Europe, would key out as Mediomastus californiensis using North American polychaete keys.

Many of the other numerically dominant taxa in the EMAP-E VP data set also require taxonomic work. Oligochaetes are the most important group of species in distinguishing oligohaline and mesohaline benthic habitats. The most important taxon controlling CNESS distances among samples is the odd species group 'Tubificidae with capiliform chaetae'. None of the oligochaetes in the EMAP-E program from areas with more than 5 psu salinity were archived future taxonomic analysis. We will never know how many mesohaline oligochaete species were present in the Virginian Province from 1990-1993. The 1990-1993 benthic index cannot be properly evaluated because we do not know the proportion of oligochaetes that are members of the oligochaete family Tubificidae. The true extent of species turnover along the Virginian Province salinity gradient can never be properly assessed with the EMAP-E VP data because of the lack of taxonomy of the oligochaetes collected in areas having more than 5 psu salinity.

Nucula proxima and Nucula annulata are among the numerically dominant taxa in the Northern Virginian province. Nucula annulata is the tenth most important taxon contributing to CNESS distances in our analysis. Howard Sanders (1956, 1960) described the Long Island Sound and Buzzards Bay communities inhabiting subtidal muds as Nucula proxima-Nephtys incisa communities. George Hampson (1971) showed that the offshore mud-dwelling species was Nucula annulata, while the inshore sand-dwelling species in Buzzards Bay was Nucula proxima. Nucula proxima and N. annulata can be easily confused, but their habitats are very different. N. proxima thrives in nearshore fine sands, but N. annulata is found in offshore muds. The two species show little overlap in their distributions. In the EMAP-E VP data, N. annulata is found in both nearshore sand and offshore mud habitats, and N. proxima is not included in the EMAP-E VP species list. We must assume that N. proxima was called N. annulata in these analyses. If preserved samples were available, it would be a simple matter to obtain samples for nearshore sandy environments to determine whether the dominant protobranch bivalve was N. proxima and not N. annulata. Dr. Robert Prezant, a malacologist at Indiana University of Pennsylvannia, has been sampling the Assateague/Chincoteague area of Virginia for many years. He has sampled many Nucula from this shallow sandy area, that the EMAP-E program uses as one of its undegraded reference stations. The EMAP-E program lists only Nucula annulata from this shallow sandy area. Dr. Prezant has closely examined the Chincoteague/Assateague Nucula All are Nucula proxima, in accordance with Hampson's (1971) description of the distribution of Nucula species. In analyzing the EMAP-E data, it is vital to be able to distinguish the dominant species from inshore sandy areas from offshore muds. The fact that N. proxima was missed in the four-year EMAP-E VP program is the type of slipup that could have been resolved readily if archive material were available. Unfortunately, all bivalve individuals collected during the EMAP-E VP program were destroyed to determine bivalve biomass for the EMAP-E VP degradation indices.

The cost for archiving benthic samples is high, but most other federal benthic surveys have managed this cost. Archiving samples is not incompatible with measuring biomass. The Minerals Management Service (MMS) insists that biomass be determined, but they also require that all samples be archived.

Only subsets of the individuals need to be analyzed to produce biomass estimates. The remaining material is archived at the Smithsonian. This MMS material is an important resource in the ongoing taxonomic revisions of our nation's marine communities. The EMAP-E VP was designed to serve as a multi-decade monitoring and assessment program. Archiving benthic samples should be a requirement of all such long-term monitoring plans.

Data analysis

Warwick (1993) asked whether there is an 'absolute' measure of benthic community structure that can determine whether a site was affected by pollution. After assessing indices similar to the EMAP-E VP degradation index, and several other indices of degradation, he answered 'No.' There is no clear-cut index that can determine whether an observed distribution of species in a sample is the result of pollution. Only marine sites that are nearly azoic or dominated by members of the genus Capitella can be unambiguously defined as degraded. Warwick (1993) even discounts the use of Capitella as a pollution indicator, regarding it more of an indicator of organic enrichment than toxicity. It is equally risky to assign a site with high species richness or abundance as being non-degraded. In the West Falmouth oil spill (Grassle and Grassle 1974, Sanders et al. 1980), the Amoco Cadiz oil spill (Cabioch et al. 1982) and even the MERL eutrophication experiments (Smith et al. 1979b), species diversity is insensitive to drastic changes in toxic loadings. However, species composition is sensitive to very low changes in pollutant input (e.g., Grassle et al. 1981).

Dubious indices and statistics

In soft-bottom benthic ecology, there has been a plethora of dubious indices proposed to assess community structure. Most of these indices and approaches share a few common features:

- They are less expensive than standard benthic sampling which relies on the identification of all individuals to species.
- They rarely require taxonomic identifications beneath the level of family or competent taxonomists.
- Some require no benthic sampling or a reduced number of replicate samples.

While some of these indices may have ment, all should be viewed with caution, and none should be made the sole basis of a monitoring program. Some indices, such as Jack Word's (1978, 1980 a & b) infaunal trophic index (published only in the SCCWRP biennial reports), can be ruled out almost immediately as being too seriously flawed to merit discussion as a monitoring tool. Word's index forces improper polychaete trophic guild classifications into an improperly constructed mathematical formula to produce an index of pollution effects. Ferraro et al. (1989) provide one of the few published uses of Word's infaunal trophic index.

The following is a list of indices that have been proposed to assess marine benthic degradation. We will divide them into two group. The first group is composed of seriously flawed indices.

Seriously flawed:

The nematode/copepod ratio (Ruffaelli & Mason 1981, Warwick 1981, Raffaelli 1981, 1982 & 1987, Amjad & Gray 1983, criticized by Lambshead et al. 1983 & 1984 Shaw et al. 1983).

- BRAT the benthic resource assessment technique (Lunz & Kendall 1982). Benthic individuals are ranked by their presence in the guts of important bottom feeding fish species. Benthic habitats composed of "good" fish food are giving a higher BRAT ranking than habitats containing species that are rarely fed on by bottom-feeding fish. This index, as originally proposed had merit. The index was later simplified to matching the size composition of infauna in fish stomachs with the size composition of benthic communities.
- Jack Word's infaunal trophic index (ITI) (Word 1978, 1980 a, b, & c, Ferraro et al. 1989)

Indices that are worth investigating:

- Organism-sediment index (OSITM) (Rhoads & Germano 1986). This index was applied to the 1990 EMAP-E VP data (see Figure 4, p 14). Difficulty in obtaining samples in coarse sediments greatly reduces the utility of sediment-profile imaging for EMAP-E VP scale monitoring. Grizzle and Pennimen (1991) found a close correspondence between the OSITM and traditional benthic community structure analysis in the a polluted New Jersey habitat. O'Connor et al. (1989) applied the OSITM to British benthic communities.
- Warwick's species abundance-biomass comparison (the ABC method) (Clarke 1990, Warwick and Clarke 1991, Warwick et al. 1987, 1989, 1990, Essink and Beukema 1986, reviewed by Beukema 1988, McManus and Pauly 1990,). Dauer et al. (1993) found that the ABC method was a poor predictor of degraded conditions in the Elizabeth River in Chesapeake Bay.
- Caswell's (1976, 1983) neutral model as a pollution or disturbance index. The infinite alleles model of population genetics predicts a logarithmic distribution of species frequencies. When applied to the benthos, Caswell's neutral model is assessing the fit of the log-series to benthic abundance data. Lambshead et al. (1983) and Lambshead and Platt (1985) introduced this method for assessing disturbance pollution. Goldman and Lambshead (1989) wrote an improved version of Caswell's program for assessing the effects of disturbance on benthic communities. Warwick et al. (1990) applied the neutral model to a pollution study in Bermuda and Warwick (1993) applied the neutral model to a well-characterized pollution gradient in a Norwegian fjord. Both studies found the lack of fit to the neutral model to be a very poor predictor of degradation.
- Departures from the log-normal distribution of individuals among species [Gray & Mirza 1979, Gray 1979a & b, Stenseth 1979, Gray 1980, Mirza & Gray 1981, Gray 1982, 1983, 1989, Gray & Pearson 1982, Gray & Christie 1983, Pearson et al. 1983, Bonsdorf and Kovisto 1982, Nelson 1987; poor fit found by Rygg (1986)]
- The variance in species frequencies among replicates at a site. Warwick (1993) argues that polluted sites have a higher variance in faunal similarity than non-degraded communities.

World-wide, no 'degradation index' has yet been found to classify single benthic samples into degraded and non-degraded categories (Warwick 1993). While environmental regulators might need this information desperately (e.g., O'Connor and Dewling 1986), benthic ecologists have been unable to identify a single index that is reliable. No benthic ecologist has developed an index that can be applied for pollution assessment over large geographic areas. Rhoads and Germano's (1986)

organism-sediment index (OSITM) has been one of the most widely used and highly regarded. It is disturbing that the one test of the OSI index vs. the EMAP-E VP index in Weisberg et al. (1983) found virtually no statistical association between the two sets of degraded-nondegraded classifications (see Figure 4, p. 14).

The EMAP-E VP analyses of pollution effects has been hindered by not directly incorporating analyses of pollutant concentration, grain size, depth, and salinity in the biotic Integrity indices. Weisberg et al. (1993) and Strobel et al. (1995) do include salinity normalization of expected species diversity, but far more use could have been made of the extensive physical and chemical data in developing the benthic index. Coats (1995) has recently applied Gallagher's PCA-H method to establish a monitoring baseline for the Massachusetts Water Resource Authority. He produced PCA-H diagrams similar in style to those presented in this report. Coats then determined that grain size was the dominant factor controlling community structure in Massachusetts Bay. He developed a modification of the PCA-H method which he calls detrended PCA-H which removes the dominant grain-size effect from the major patterns in community structure. Coats (1995) then performed a full power analyses of the four years of MWRA Massachusetts Bay data, showing how pollution effects that might result from the MWRA sewage effluent outfall could be detected and assessed.

Coats (1995) DPCA-H method has great potential. However, Coats applied this method to only one small, approximately 100 km² region of Massachusetts Bay. This is smaller than many of the estuaries measured in the EMAP-E VP program.

In addition to the PCA-H method, techniques which assess the distribution of individuals among species might be a valuable tool in determining which samples in the EMAP-E program might exhibit patterns indiating disturbance or pollution. John Gray introduced the "log-normal" plotting technique as a indicator of pollution or disturbance. In Gray's method, the distribution of individuals are fit to the log-normal distribution. Recent disturbance or pollution produces a characteristic break in the normally linear plot of the number of species vs. the number of individuals, when plotted on normal probability paper. John Lambshead, at the Natural History Museum in London, has developed another method which is based on Fisher et al.'s (1943) log-series. According to Lambshead, undisturbed communities have distributions which are close to the log-series. Lambshead tests his fit to the log series, using Caswell's neutral model, and Goldman and Lambshead (1989) have written a program called CASVAR which tests benthic community structure data to see how closely it conforms to the log series.

The lead author of this report has recently applied a modified form of these methods to the EMAP-E VP data. They seem to work quite well. Samples from the EMAP-E VP reference test data set (listed in Schimmel et al. 1994) seem to conform to the log-series expectations. Most of the samples from the "degraded" test data set reveal two types of departure from log-series expectation. Most of the degraded stations exhibit very low evenness, compared to log-series expectations. However, in samples with very low infaunal abundances and very few species, the evenness is much higher than log-series expectations. This failure to recognize departures on either side of the log-series expectation may have produced some of the negative critiques of the log-series method (e.g., Warwick 1993).

Considerable work needs to be done on fitting the log-series to the EMAP-E VP data. Some of the degraded test data sites in Schimmel et al. (1994) have distributions of individuals among species which are close to the log-series expectation. For example, the three grabs from the Kill van Kull degraded site (VA91-373, sampled on 8/3/91) have log-series distribution patterns. There is no sign of impact. Analysis of the species composition of this site indicates that two of the three grabs have benthic populations typical of shallow depths and salinities of 28 psu. This site was flagged as

Further work of this sort must be done to assess whether nearly one quarter of the nearshore area in the the Virginian Province is truly degraded (Table 1, p. 16). The EMAP-E VP dataset with its synoptic measurements of benthic community structure, sediment contaminant levels, and abiotic variables will be an invaluable resource in establishing the causal connection between sediment contaminant concentrations and altered patterns in community structure.

Have the EMAP Goals and Objectives Been Met?

The EMAP-E VP has created a benthic data set that may be unmatched in the world in terms of broad-scale geographic coverage. With the physical and chemical data available for each sampling event, these data should prove to be a rich resource for benthic ecologists for decades to come. The Virginian Province EMAP-E VP program has collected the necessary data to assess the scale and pattern of variability in benthic communities. Understanding this variability, and separating the natural and anthropogenic contributors to it, should be the goal of the Assessment portion of EMAP.

The EPA can be proud that it has created this outstanding database. There is nothing to match it in scale or scope. The EMAP-E VP program has not been successful in developing a benthic degradation index. This is not surprising. Benthic ecologists have been searching for indices that will reliably indicate pollution or disturbance for the past three decades, if not longer. No index has been found to work reliably.

The EMAP-E VP indices are flawed, but the obstacles faced by the EMAP-E investigators were massive. The EMAP-E VP program attempted to find an index that would work across a very large biogeographic province in habitats as diverse as sandy fresh water habitats in the upper Hudson River to marine subtidal muds like Buzzards Bay, Massachusetts. It is not surprising that the indices developed for the EMAP-E VP program have flaws.

We would encourage the EMAP-E VP program to critically evaluate the latest index: Strobel *et al.*'s (1995) 1990-1993 index. It would be very unfortunate if government agencies began using 7000 spionids per m² as a regulatory guideline indicating degradation.

The EMAP-E VP data set could become a rich resource for ecologists and regulators alike if it were made more accessible and in a wider variety of formats. It is difficult to access the EMAP-E VP SAS abundance, species name, chemistry and water column data files in order to do most analyses. It doesn't have to be this way. As a model data base management system, EPA should look to NOAA's Coastal Zone Color Scanner data distribution network. CZCS data is distributed in a wide variety of

formats, from the beautiful World-Wide Web graphic displays of chlorophyll a concentration throughout the world to the detailed pixel-by-pixel reflectance data needed by investigators interested in perfecting the chlorophyll a algorithm. The lead author will provide the community structure data used to produce this report in ASCII or MATLABTM format to any investigator that might request it.

If future programs like EMAP-E VP are implemented, I would strongly recommend that a subset or perhaps all of the benthic animals identified to species be archived. Many of the species, especially the numerical dominants in the EMAP-E VP program, are taxonomically difficult. These taxa include the *Mediomastus ambiseta-californiensis-fragilis* complex, the *Nucula annulata- proxima-atacellana* complex, oligochaetes, the *Ampelisca abdita-vadorum* complex, and the *Capitella* sibling species complex. Each of these numerically dominant groups has undergone massive taxonomic revision over the last thirty years, the time scale of the planned EMAP-E VP program. Without archival material, future ecologists and regulators will never know what species were really present in the period 1990-1993 in the Virginian Province.

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APPENDIX I METHODS FOR ANALYZING COMMUNITY STRUCTURE

Diversity indices

This section will survey the major diversity and similarity (or dissimilarity measures) in use in community ecology today. Magurran (1988) provides a review of the history of diversity measures in community ecology. She ignores the most common method used to assess diversity in marine benthic communities: Sanders-Hurlbert rarefaction.

Sanders (1968) introduced the rarefaction method for assessing species diversity. Single samples are plotted as rarefaction curves representing the number of species observed in the sample and the number of species expected from randomly drawn subsamples of the total sample. Unfortunately, Sanders method for calculating rarefaction curves was wrong. This error was pointed out by Fager (1972), and corrections were published by Hurlbert (1971) and Simberloff (1972). Hurlbert (1971) criticizes the use of diversity indices and introduces a correction to Sanders' (1968) rarefaction method. Simberloff (1972) introduced an identical correction for Sanders' rarefaction method, but Hurlbert (1971) gets priority. Simberloff (1979) introduced a variance estimator for $E(S_n)$, but Smith and Grassle (1977) proposed a better measure earlier. This modified rarefaction method is now routinely described as Hurlbert's $E(S_n)$. Peet (1974) and Pielou (1969, 1977) review the use of H' and other measures of diversity.

Species richness indices

While there are indices specifically designed to assess species evenness or equitability, there are no unbiased estimators of species richness per se. An unbiased estimator is a statistic that has an expected value equal to the true value. The EMAP-E VP program used the total number of species per sampling event (usually three replicate samples) as an index of species richness in the 1990, 1991, and 1992 biotic indices. While this is a straightforward measure of species richness, it is also a biased statistic. Bias means that the expected value of the statistic will be a strong function of sample size. Total number of species per event will vary strongly with the number of samples taken. This bias is not alleviated by calculating the mean number of species per grab. Even with samples drawn from the same theoretical distribution, the total number of species will vary strongly with the number of individuals sampled.

The information content measures of diversity, Brillouin's H and Shannon's H' are often used as measures of species richness. Shannon's H' is the older and more widely used:

$$H' = -\sum p_k \log p_k, \tag{6}$$

where, p_k is the frequency of species k in the sample, and S is the number of species. Pielou (1977) recommends Brillouin's information content, appreviated H, should be used to calculate the diversity of fully enumerated samples:

Brillouin's
$$H = \frac{1}{N} + \log \left(\frac{N!}{N_1! \ N_2! \ \dots \ N_s!} \right),$$
 (7)

where, N is the total number of individuals in a sample, and N_i is the abundance of species i. Both H and H' can be calculated using Naparien logarithms, \log_{10} or \log_2 . H' assumes an infinite population, and if used it should include an estimate of the variance. Both are highly sensitive to differences in species evenness. Pielou (1977) regarded this feature as desirable. Deep-sea benthic ecologists often use the Sanders-Hurlbert rarefaction index $E(S_n)$ as an index of species richness. While at large n, the index becomes more sensitive to species richness, it is still very sensitive to differences in species evenness.

Magurran (1988), following May (1975), advocates using the log-series α as a measure of species richness. A MATLAB m.file, logseries.m, that calculates the log-series α and its variance estimator is available from the senior author. Magurran (1988, p. 11) describes the Menhinick species richness index, which is simply the number of species divided by $\sqrt{\text{number of individuals}}$. This index is similar to Margalef's species richness index which is (Total species-1)/ $\sqrt{\text{number of individuals}}$).

Species evenness indices

Two samples containing the same number of species can differ in their species diversity. Community ecologists, following Pielou (1977) regard samples with a more equitable distribution of individuals among species as being more diverse. Hurlbert (1971) introduced statistics to measure the evenness component of Brillouin's H, called V, and Shannon's H', called J'. An alternate measure of the evenness component for Brillouin's H is called E. If the individuals are equally distributed among S species, the maximum value for H' is log(S). Both V and J' range from 0 to 1. A sample containing just one species has an undefined evenness.

Simpson's diversity, known as Gini diversity in genetics, is often used as a species richness index, but it is very sensitive to species evenness. Simpson's diversity index has both biased and unbiased estimators. Smith and Grassle (1977) showed that the unbiased estimator for Simpson's diversity is one minus the Sanders-Hurlbert expected number of species at n=2 (Simpson's diversity= $E(S_2)-1$). At such a low rarefaction sample size, Simpson's diversity and $E(S_2)$ are influenced strongly by both species richness and evenness. As shown by Peet (1974) and Smith *et al.* (1979a), there is usually a very strong correlation (r>0.95) between Shannon's H' and $E(S_{10})$. This holds for the EMAP-E VP data, but does not hold for species-rich deep-sea communities. Hurlbert's $E(S_n)$ index can be made less sensitive to species evenness component of diversity by increasing n, but there is no set rarefaction sample size n at which point $E(S_n)$ can be regarded as a species richness index. In some deep-sea benthic samples, $E(S_n)$ is strongly correlated with J', but not with any of the other indices regarded as species richness indices (*e.g.*, H, H', total species per sample, and log-series α).

It would be nice if there were an expected species evenness for a given community. Departures from this expected evenness might indicate disturbance. Caswell (1976) borrowed the Ewens infinite alleles model from population genetics to establish a 'null model' for the expected H', given the number of individuals and species in a sample. The lack of fit to the Caswell neutral model is being used as an index of pollution, especially by Lambshead and co-workers in Great Britain. Goldman and Lambshead (1989) describe a program CASVAR.FOR which they use to fit Caswell's neutral model to benthic data. The Ewens infinite alleles model fits data to a log series, and the results of the neutral model tests are similar to that obtained by fitting the log-series to community structure data. May (1975) was the first to show that rarefaction curves generated from shallow-water data seem to conform to the expectations produced by the log-series (Fisher et al. 1943). An unfortunate consequence of applying the neutral model and fitting the log-series to benthic data is that highly impacted, species-poor, benthic communities often depart from the log-series and neutral model expectations in having too equitable a distribution of individuals among species. Warwick (1993)

tested the neutral model using data from a known pollution gradient and concluded that it was a poor predictor of benthic degradation. John Gray proposed that both undisturbed and highly impacted benthic communities should conform to the log-normal distribution. Gray and Mirza (1979) proposed that departures from the log-normal distribution of individuals among species could be used to assess transitions from one 'stable state' to another. Stenseth (1979) provided a mathematical model for Gray's empirical result. Lambshead et al. (1983) analyzed the distributions of individuals among species in a number of published benthic data sets, finding that they conformed neither to the log-normal (canonical or otherwise) or log-series. Hughes (1984, 1986) provides analyses and a model showing that the expected number of individuals among species in shallow-water benthic communities is even more inequitable than log-series expectations.

Jackknifed diversity indices

All diversity indices are biased to some extent. Bias corrections exist for H' (Peet 1974). This jackknife method can be applied to any diversity index. Smith and Grassle (1977) showed that $E(S_n)$ is a minimum variance unbiased estimator of diversity, but only if the underlying populations are independently Poisson distributed. Heltshe and Forester (1985) present the jackknife bias correction and variance estimator for the Brillouin and H' diversity estimators. The lead author has adapted this jackknife bias correction for $E(S_n)$ and programmed the algorithm in MATLAB. Organic enrichment often dramatically increases the number of benthic individuals in a sample. Using a strongly biased species richness index, such as 'Total species per event', greatly weakens the utility of diversity as an indicator of pollution effects.

Rarefaction, CNESS and Principal Components Analysis of Hypergeometric probabilities (PCA-H)

The clear and concise description of benthic community structure is fundamental to the analysis of both basic and applied benthic ecological problems. We define community structure as "the variation and covariation of species abundances in time and space."

Sanders' (1968) rarefied species diversity, modified by Hurlbert as $E(S_n)$, and Grassle & Smith's (1976) faunal similarity index NESS are both based on the sample x spp. matrix of hypergeometric probabilities (H). These hypergeometric probabilities are simply the probability of sampling species k in sample i with a random draw of m individuals:

$$H_{iklm} = 1 - \frac{\begin{pmatrix} Total_{i.} - x_{ik} \\ m \end{pmatrix}}{\begin{pmatrix} Total_{i.} \\ m \end{pmatrix}}.$$

$$= 1 - \frac{\begin{bmatrix} (Total_{i.} - x_{ik})! \\ \hline m! * (TOTAL_{i.} - x_{ij} - m)! \\ \hline Total_{i.}! \\ \hline m! * (TOTAL_{i.} - m)! \end{bmatrix}}{Total_{i.}!}.$$
(8)

Total = the sample total

 x_{ik} = the abundance of species k in sample i. m=NESSm=Number of individuals to be drawn at random. != a factorial.

Any sample by species matrix of counts can be converted quickly to a hypergeometric probability matrix H. In the original calculation of NESS and Hurlbert's $E(S_n)$, fractional abundances, that might arise from calculating the mean species abundances in replicate samples, were rounded to integers prior to the calculation of hypergeometric probabilities using factorials. However, this rounding is not a good idea. In all of The lead author's programs for calculating $E(S_n)$, NESS, NNESS, and CNESS, factorials are calculated using the natural log of the Γ (gamma) distribution since $\Gamma(n+1)=n!$. The Γ distribution is continuous, and since it does not require integer values, $E(S_n)$, NNESS, and CNESS can be calculated using non-integer data. The senior author provides FORTRAN and Matlab programs (with documentation) for calculating hypergeometric probabilities, Hurlbert's $E(S_n)$, NESS, and CNESS.

 $E(S_n)_n$, or the rarefied species diversity for sample i with a random draw of n individual is simply the row sum of the H matrix. It is defined as:

$$E(S_n) = \sum_{k=1}^{n} 1 - \frac{\binom{N-N_k}{n}}{\binom{N}{n}}.$$
where, $n = random \ sample \ size.$

$$\binom{N}{n} - binomial \ coefficient.$$

$$= No. \ of \ ways \ to \ sample \ N \ objects, \ n \ at \ a \ time.$$

$$= \frac{N!}{(N-n)! \cdot n!}$$

$$N = Total \ individuals \ in \ sample.$$

$$N_k = Individuals \ of \ species \ k.$$

$$S = Number \ of \ species.$$
(9)

Smith and Grassle (1977) determined that $E(S_n)$ was a minimum variance unbiased estimator (MVUE) of diversity and presented equations to estimate the variance of $E(S_n)$.

NESS, NNESS, and CNESS

The NESS faunal similarity index was described by Grassle and Smith (1976). Trueblood et al. (1994) correct a flaw in the original index, calling this new version NNESS. They also proposed a metric verson of NNESS, called CNESS. The equations for NNESS and CNESS are shown below:

$$NNESS_{ijlm} = \frac{ESS_{ijlm}}{\frac{1}{2} * (ESS_{iilm} + ESS_{jjlm})}.$$

$$CNESS_{ijlm} = \sqrt{2 * \left(1 - \frac{ESS_{ijlm}}{\sqrt{ESS_{iilm} * ESS_{jjlm}}}\right)}.$$
(10)

NESS and CNESS are families of similarity and dissimilarity indices. NNESS at its upper and lower sample sizes converges to the Sorensen binary and Morisita similarity indices. NNESS at its upper and lower sample sizes converges to Sorensen's index and the Morisita-Horn similarity index. At a sample size of 1, CNESS is Orloci's (1978) chord distance. Kenkel and Orloci (1986) showed that the chord distance analyzed with non-metric multidimensional scaling (NMDS) was the best of eight procedures tested for recovering the patterns in complex simulated ecological data. No one has apparently described a binary similarity index corresponding to CNESS at m=∞.

Principal Components Analysis of Hypergeometric Probabilities (PCA-H)

There is a major advantage of CNESS over NNESS. While both indices have a straightforward geometric interpretation, CNESS is a metric but NNESS is only a semimetric. CNESS is the Pythagorean distance between the intersection of sample vectors, with positions determined by the H matrix, and the unit hypersphere. These intersection points with the unit hypersphere are calculated through a row normalization of the H (i.e., the sum of squared elements in each row is 1). Because these distances are chords on the hypersphere, they are called chord distances. CNESS is the chord distance between sample vectors at a distance of one unit from the origin. These Pythagorean distances are calculated in S-dimensional ordination space, where S is the number of species. For samples containing more than 3 species, the human mind cannot perceive the distribution of samples in ordination space. We can perceive the distances among samples only in 2- or 3-dimensional displays.

Principal component analysis projects the major vources of variation in a complex swarm of points in S-dimensional space in fewer dimensions, often only 2 or 3. The first step in a principal components analysis of hypergeometric probabilities, called PCA-H here, is to row-normalize the H matrix so that the sum of the squared elements on each row is 1. This is the mathematical equivalent of projecting sample points onto the unit hypersphere. CNESS is the Pythagorean distance among sample points projected onto the hypersphere. Geometrically, these distances are the lengths of chords between points on the hypersphere, hence the name chord distance (reserved for CNESS_{ljimel}). This row-normalized H matrix is then centered by column, so that the mean of each column is 0. This new matrix, called XR, contains all of the information necessary to calculate CNESS, which is simply the

Pythagorean distance among samples with coordinates specified by the rows of XR. Principal components analysis identifies which linear combination of species is most important in determining the CNESS distances among samples. PCA creates a low-dimension projection of XR by transforming the original S axes to new axes, now called principal components, that are linear functions of the old. The number of principal components is the minimum of the number of samples or species in the original data. Pythagorean distances between samples plotted with respect to these new axes will be the same as those calculated with the original axes in XR. However, these new axes or principal components are derived so that the first axis represents the largest source of variation in CNESS distances among samples. The second and higher principal components reflect less important sources of variation in CNESS distances among samples, and are orthogonal to all previous ordination axes. These principal components are also normed so that the sum of the squared elements of each principal component equals 1. If V is the matrix of principal components, with the number of rows equal to number of species and the number of columns equal to the number of components, the first principal component is represented by the first column of the matrix, V(:,1). Orthogonal and normal principal components (=orthonormal) implies that $V(:,i) = 0 \forall i \neq j$ and V*V'=I, where I is the identity matrix. The positions of each sample in this new multidimensional space, defined by the principal components, are contained in the sample x principal component score matrix Y, which can be calculated by: Y=XR*V. The Y matrix of principal component scores is identical to that obtained by a principal coordinates analysis of the original CNESS matrix.

The relative amounts of variation explained by each principal component are provided by the sum of the squared principal component scores for each axis, divided by the sum of the squared coordinates for all samples in the original XR matrix. If an Eigenanalysis is used to calculate principal components, the percentage of variation explained by each component is the eigenvalue corresponding to that component divided by the sum of the eigenvalues for all components.

There are at least a dozen different algorithms to calculate the principal components of a given data set. These will be summarized in a later section on the matrix algebra of PCA-H. These algorithms can differ greatly in the amount of computer memory required, processing speed and numerical accuracy. The large size of the EMAP-E data set required using some non-standard, but still highly accurate, methods to calculate principal components.

PCA-H retains the information on species frequencies. A simple metric scaling or Principal Coordinates analysis or a Non-metric multidimensional scaling of CNESS distances does not retain the information on which species control contribute to differences in faunal composition among samples. Gabriel's (1971) graphical biplot can retrieve this species frequency data and show the relative importance of each species to the CNESS distances among samples. The biplot reveals those species that account for the major sources of variation in CNESS distances among samples. A graphical biplot of PCA-H results shows the relative CNESS distances among samples and the species that account for the distances. In the biplot, species are represented by vectors (arrows). The terminus for the arrows are the elements of V, which may be called the species loadings. Since the square of these coordinates for each axis sum to 1, the relative lengths of arrows in a 2-dimensional biplot shows the relative importance of each species in controlling the CNESS distances among samples. The sample positions in the first 2 principal components can be calculated using Y(:,1:2)=XR*V(:,1:2). The longer a species' arrow, the more important that species is in controlling the position of samples in a twodimensional display. The length and direction of the arrow away from the origin are important. The cosine of the angle with each axes is directly related to the principal component loading for that species on that axis. The relative species composition of a sample can be determined by projecting the sample points at right angles onto the longest species vectors. Digby and Kempton (1987) provide a clear description of the use of Gabnel (1971) graphical biplot. Note that the asymmetric display used

by Digby and Kempton, and in this report, is different from and preferable to that originally described by Gabriel.

Ter Braak (1983) came very close to describing the PCA-H method. In his discussion of the geometric relationship between faunal similarity and diversity, he stated that samples might be plotted according to their hypergeometric probabilities. The distances between samples i and j in his proposed ordination would be $\sqrt{(ESS_{il}+ESS_{ji}-2ESS_{ij})}$. This distance measure would have the unfortunate consequence of having no set upper limit and would be heavily dependent on the diversity of samples.

The full set of MATLAB programs needed to perform all PCA-H analyses in Trueblood et al. (1994) are now on the lead author's web page.

Choosing the appropriate sample size, m

The lead author developed a non-parametric procedure using Kendall's non-parametric rank order correlation coefficient (τ =tau) to find a value for m that yielded a distance index that was highly correlated with both the CNESS_{m=1} and CNESS_{m=large n} matrices. This procedure is described in Trueblood *et al.* (1994), and the program that performs it (findcnm.m) is provided on the lead author's web page.

The largest sample size m for which NNESS or CNESS can be calculated is set by the minimum sample total in the data set. The original NESS algorithm was even more restrictive, with the largest m being half the minimum sample total. One can extend the range of m by transforming the H matrix to 1's and zeros (i.e., the Boolean transform option in COMPAH) and then calculating the chord distance among samples. This procedure is equivalent to calculating CNESS at m=∞.

The m size that is sensitive to both the rare and abundant species varies depending upon the distribution of individuals among species. For most soft-bottom benthic data, m=10-20 is an appropriate sample size. Trueblood et al. (1994) found that m=15 was appropriate for an intertidal benthic community. If the species distributions are heavily dominated by one or a few species, then m should be increased above 10. A NESSm value of 20-25 appears optimal for the EMAP-E data.

Interpreting the graphical displays:

Graphical biplots

The biplot produced by PCA-H is the asymmetrical Euclidean distances biplot. The plot presents a low-dimensional projection of the samples, representing the best least-squares fit of the original CNESS distances. For this reason, samples will always be less than √2 units apart.

Species are plotted as vectors. The relative frequencies of a species in a sample can be estimated by projecting the sample orthogonally onto the appropriate species vector. Only one tail of the species vector is shown, but each species vector projects in the opposite direction as well. The origin represents the mean frequencies of a species in the normalized H matrix. The length of the species vectors indicates the importance of that species in that 2-dimensional projection.

Digby and Kempton (1987) provide a particularly clear explanation of how the Euclidean distance biplot method can be used to recover the basic structure of the original data matrix.

This biplot method is different from the dual display biplot in correspondence analysis (see Greenacre 1984). That biplot is a symmetric biplot in which both samples and species are plotted in scaled coordinates. In that display, the angles between samples and species vectors determine the association between a given species and sample.

The asymmetric Gabriel Euclidean distance biplot display should not be used to examine the statistical association among species (i.e., the R-mode ordination). To analyze the association of species among samples, the species should be plotted in scaled coordinates such that the sum of the squared species coordinates in each dimension equals the eigenvalue for that dimension (Legendre and Legendre 1983). This scaling, called the covariance biplot, is performed using the MATLAB m.file rmode.m. Non-significant species vectors are not labeled. The data can also be clustered using the same similarity measure, the angle between species vectors. COMPAH can perform this clustering using the following steps:

- 1) Calculate the hypergeometric probability matrix, H
- 2) Standardize the H matrix by station (the sum of squared H elements for each station will sum to 1)
- Cluster using Pearson's r (the equivalent of clustering based on the angular cosines among species vectors in the r-mode plot)

Some applications of the Gabriel biplot method rescale the species vectors uniformly to aid in the projection of samples onto species vectors. As noted by Gower (1987), this is not a good idea. The endpoint of a species vector indicates the maximum value for a species. If a sample point is plotted at a greater distance than the tip of a species vector, then its position is determined by a combination of species.

The Geometry of Sanders-Hurlbert E(S,) and CNESS

A simple 3-species, 3-sample data set is used to demonstrate the geometric interpretation of the Sanders-Hurlbert E(Sn) diversity index and CNESS. Both are related to distances among samples and the origin when sample points are plotted using the hypergeometric probability matrix H.

Figure 22 shows the position of three sample points, A-C, in a 3-dimensional space determined by the abundances of Species 1-3. The Euclidean distances among sample points in this species space is a very poor indicator of faunal similarity. One of the more troubling aspects of straight Euclidean distance is the 'double-zero' problem. Samples sharing no species will appear similar because they both have sample coordinates near the origin.

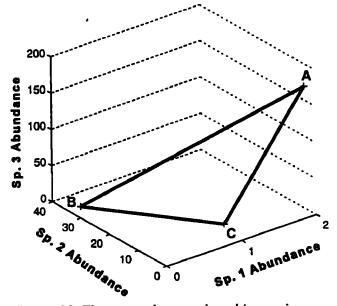


Figure 23. Three samples are plotted in species space. The Pythagorean distance among samples is a poor, unbounded, distance measure of faunal similarity. Note the greatly compressed vertical scale.

Plotting samples by the relative frequencies of species in samples (Figure 24) is an excellent basis for ordination. Using such a plot, ter Braak (1983) describes the geometric interpretation of faunal similarity and Gini-Simpson diversity index. Unfortunately, Euclidean distances among sample points determined solely by species frequencies are often very insensitive to the rarer species in a community.

Figure 25 shows the Sanders-Hurlbert rarefaction curves for the three samples. Sample C has the same three species as sample A but has greater evenness. Sample A is as species-rich as sample C, but the equitability among species frequencies is low.

There is a straightforward geometric interpretation of the rarefaction curves shown in Figure 25. The Sanders-Hurlbert $E(S_n)$ is the City-Block distance (=Manhattan metric) from the origin to the sample point plotted

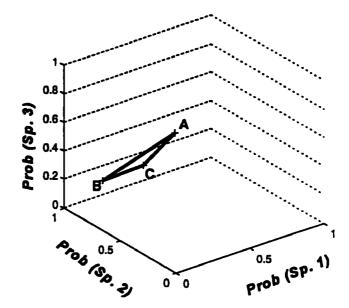


Figure 24. The same three stations can be plotted using the probability that they will be sampled with a random draw of 1, 2, or m individuals (the hypergeometric probabilities). The H(m=1) sample coordinates are shown.

using hypergeometric probabilities. This city block distance is shown in Figure 26.

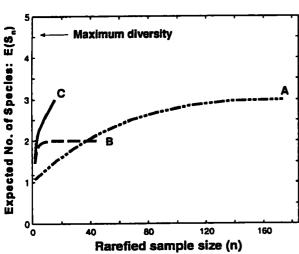


Figure 25. The Sanders-Hurlbert rarefaction curves for the three samples shown in the previous figures. While A and C have the same species rihcness (all 3 species), sample C has the greater evenness.

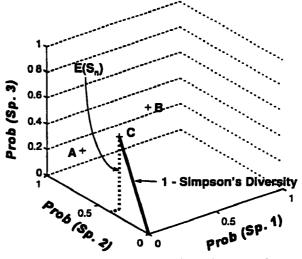


Figure 26. The Sanders-Hurlbert diversity from the previous picture is the city-block distance between the origin and the sample point, with points plotted using hypergeometric probabilities. The Euclidena distance to the origin is $\sqrt{ESS_u}$. At m=1, the distance between a sample point and the origin is Simpson's diversity; the closer to the origin, the higher the diversity (ter Braak 1983).

Figure 27 shows the position of sample points plotted using hypergeometric probabilities at NESSm values from 1 to 40. Both the Pythagorean distance and city-block distance between the origin and sample points increases monotonically. The city block distance is $E(S_n)$, and it is this distance that is plotted in rarefaction curves (e.g., Figure 25). With increasing NESSm, the probability of sampling at least one individual of the abundant taxa approaches 1.0. That is why both CNESS and NNESS become relatively insensitive to changes in the abundance of dominant species at large random sample sizes.

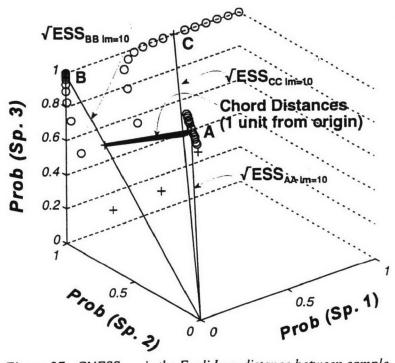


Figure 27. $CNESS_{m=10}$ is the Euclidean distance between sample points 1 unit from the origin on the vectors connecting the origin and sample positions set with $H_{m=10}$. The original species frequencies are plotted as +'s.

Figure 27 shows the chord distances among sample vectors at a distance one unit from the origin. These coordinates are from the row-normalized **H** matrix. The distances among these points are the CNESS faunal distances. These distances also serve as chords along the unit hypersphere and are also known as chord distances.

Figure 28 shows the same configuration of points as in Figure 27 after subtracting the mean value for each species (centering). Centering the normalized H matrix leaves the distances among points unaltered but rigidly translates the data points so that the centroid is at the origin. If the data are not centered prior to PCA, then the distances among stations are reflected in the second and higher PCA axes. The first PCA axis serves only to center the data.

Figure 29 shows the results of the metric scaling of the three sample points using NESSm=1 (identical to performing a Principal coordinates analysis of Orloci's chord distance or a PCA-H with NESSm=1) and NESSm=10. A Procrustes rotation (Digby and Kempton 1987) was used to rigidly rotate the PCA-H (NESSm=1) ordination to fit the PCA-H (NESSm=10) ordination.

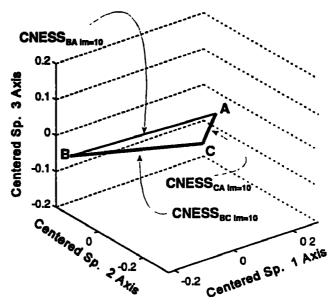


Figure 28. After centering the normalized data by species, the CNESS distances from the previous plot can be seen more clearly. Principal components analysis will show the planar projection of this 3-d configuration.

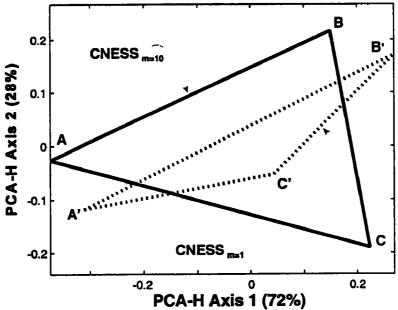


Figure 29. The CNESS distances among sample points at NESSm=1 (Orloci's chord distance) [dotted lines] and CNESS (NESSm=10) [solid lines]. These plots are identical to those produced using principal coorndinates analysis of Orloci's chord distance (=PCA-H with NESSm=1).

The Gabriel Euclidean distance biplots for the two metric scalings shown in Figure 29 are shown in Figures 30 and 31. Species 1, the rarest of the three species in the data contributes virtually nothing to the CNESS distances among samples (note that only 3% of the CNESS variation is expressed on the 2nd PCA-H axis).

With NESSm=10, Species 1 becomes an important contributor to CNESS distances (Figure 31)

Figure 32 shows the Gabriel covariance plot of species vectors. The R-mode clustering of the normalized H matrix using Pearson's r is mathematically equivalent to clustering species using the cosine of the angles among species vectors in the covariance biplot.

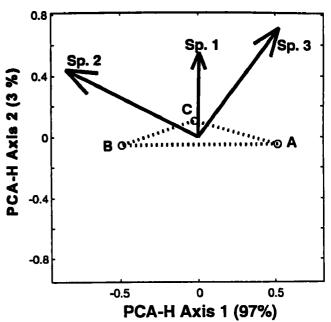


Figure 30. The Gabriel Euclidean distance biplot showing the species contribution to CNESS distance at NESSm=1. Species 1 contributes little to CNESS distance). Only 3% of the variation is on Axis 2.

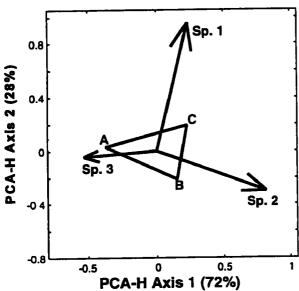


Figure 31. The Gabriel Euclidean distance biplot for CNESS (m=10). Species 1, the rarest species, now contributes much more to CNESS distances among samples and PCA-H axis 2 explains 28% of the variance in CNESS.

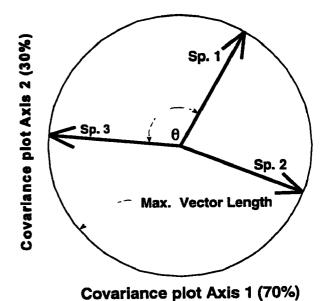


Figure 32. The covariance plot showing the inverse relationship between the frequencies of Species 2 and 3. The cosine of angles among species vectors can be clustered for na R-mode analysis (see Trueblood et al. 1994.)

APPENDIX II TERMS AND DEFINITIONS

- Arch Effect (=Kendall's horseshoe) The horse-shoe like shape produced when coenocline data are analyzed using Q-mode ordination. The arch can be observed in most forms of PCA and non-metric multidimensional scaling. The arch has at least two and perhaps three causes and no clear-cut solutions other than plotting using the appropriate full dimensionality:
 - (1) In principal coordinate analysis and non-metric multidimensional scaling, the similarity or dissimilarity values may "bottom out" so that samples sharing no species cannot be ranked. Williamson's step-across procedure has been proposed as a solution to this problem.
 - non-linearity in the data. Most Eigenanalysis procedures fit a linear, additive model to the data. If species abundances are not linearly related to each other, the arch phenomenon occurs.
 - Inherently, high-dimension data. For example, when the frequency of heterozygotes, homozygous recessive, and homozygous genotypes is analyzed by CA, a 2-dimensional arched structure is produced.

Centered data Data presented as deviations from their mean value.

- Centered SSCP matrix

 In standard PCA, data are usually (but not always standardized by the mean (i.e., centered). For Q-mode analysis, the mean of each species is usually subtracted from each species' cell. The centered SSCP matrix is the sum of squares and cross products matrix formed by multiplying the data matrix by its transpose.
- Correlation A standardized form of covariance obtained by dividing the covariance of two variables by the product of the standard deviations of x and y.
- Covariance a measure of association between 2 variables; covariance is the mean of the cross products of the centered data; expected value of the sum of cross products between 2 variables expressed as deviations from their respective mean. The covariance between z-transformed variables is also known as correlation.
- **DPCA-H** Coats' (1995) term for detrended Principal components analysis of hypergeometric probabilities.
- Eigenanalysis The process of finding the eigenvalue-eigenvector pairs of a square matrix A. The eigenvalues are the elements of the diagonal matrix L and the eigenvectors are the columns of U where A=U'LU.
- eigenvalues (=characteristic values, latent values) a set of real or even imaginary scalars which can be used with their associated eigenvectors as an alternate description of a square matrix A. An N x N matrix A is said to have an eigenvector \mathbf{u} and corresponding eigenvalue λ if

$$Au = \lambda u$$

Every square, full-rank matrix A can be decomposed into a product of the diagonal eigenvalue matrix L and eigenvector matrix U such that: A=U'LU, where U' is the transpose of the U matrix.

eigenvectors a column vector associated with its respective eigenvalue; Normalized eigenvectors of unit length (sum of squares of elements equal 1.0) are the principal components. Right eigenvectors \mathbf{u}_{R} satisfy:

$$Au_R = \lambda u_R \tag{12}$$

where, λ is the eigenvalue associated with the eigenvector \mathbf{u}_t and \mathbf{A} is a square matrix. left eigenvectors \mathbf{u}_L satisfy:

$$u_L A = \lambda u_L \tag{13}$$

Every left eigenvector is the transpose of a right eigenvector of the transpose of A. The left and right eigenvalues are identical.

Graphical biplot Legendre and Legendre (1983) review this technique, introduced by Gabriel (1971). Greenacre addresses the graphical biplot, or joint display in Correspondence analysis. There are 3 types of graphical biplots. In the first, the variable loadings for the R-mode PCA are normalized so that the sum of squares of loadings equal the eigenvalue for the axis. The site scores are normalized so that the sum of squared PCA scores on each is are one. This is a covariance biplot. In this scaling, the angle between arrows of each pair of species, plotted as vectors provides an approximation of their pair-wise correlation, i.e., r≈cosθ. The orthogonal projection of sites onto species vectors indicates the rank order of sites with respect to that species.

In the second form of graphical biplot called the Euclidean distance plot, the eigenvectors (species loadings) are standardized to unit sums of squares and the site scores are standardized so that the sums of squares equals the eigenvalue of each axis (a normalized eigenvector times the vector of observations will produce site scores with a sum of squares $= \lambda$). This plot is intended to preserve the Euclidean distances between sites and is called a Euclidean distance plot.

Greenacre (1984) calls both of these plots asymmetric, since the sites and variables are scaled differently. The third type of graphical biplot is the symmetric biplot where sites and variable vectors are scaled so that the sum of squared elements equals the eigenvalue.

Loadings The elements of the eigenvectors are also the weights or loadings of the various original descriptors. If the eigenvectors have been normalized to unit length (i.e., the sum of the squared loadings for a variable across factors equals 1.0), then the elements of the eigenvector matrix (the loadings) are direction cosines of the angles between the original descriptors and the principal axes. So that if the element of the U vector (the loading for a variable) is .8944, the angle is cos⁻¹ (.8944)=arc cos(.8944)=26° (Legendre and Legendre 1983).

normalization A term often misused by environmental scientists. Normalization refers to the standardization of an n-dimensional vector to unit length (i.e., a projection of a data point onto the unit hypersphere). The etymology of normalization is from norm, the length of a vector. There are an infinite number of eigenvectors associated with each eigenvalue. PCA and FA normalize these eigenvectors to either the unit length or the square of the eigenvalue.

Ordination Direct ordination The process of arranging sites (or species) in relation to one or more environmental (or successional) gradients or to abstract axes representing such gradients.

Indirect ordination a collective term for continuous multivariate techniques which arrange objects (e.g., sites or species) along axes, regardless of the interpretation of the axes.

Pielou (1984): Ordination is a procedure for adapting a multidimensional swarm of data points in such a way that when it is projected onto a two-space (e.g., a sheet of paper) any intrinsic pattern the swarm may possess becomes apparent.

orthogonal factors factors that are not correlated with each other.

- Orthogonal matrix A square matrix that when used as a transformation matrix, causes a rigid rotation of the data swarm without any change of scale. The product of an orthogonal matrix and its transpose is the identity matrix (Pielou, 1984, p. 253): A'A=AA'=I, where I is the identity matrix.
- PCA-H Principal component analysis of hypergeometric probabilities (Gallagher et al. 1992, Trueblood et al. 1994.
- principal component method Developed by Hotelling. PCA is simply the rotation of the original system of axes in the multidimensional space. The principal axes are orthogonal and the eigenvalues measure the amount of variance associated with each principal axis. PCA is used to summarize in a few important dimensions the greatest part of the variability of a dispersion matrix of a large number of descriptors (R mode) or cases (Q-mode).
- principal component scores the value of a principal component for individual points, hence the new coordinates of data points measured along axes created by the principal component method. A principal component score can be regarded as an additional variable for each case, this variable is a linear function of the original variables.
- principal coordinates analysis An ordination based on a metric similarity or dissimilarity matrix.
- Q-mode, R-mode Legendre & Legendre (1983, p. 172). The measurement of dependence between two descriptors (variables) is achieved my means of coefficients like Pearson's product-moment correlation, r. This type of study of the data matrix is therefore called an R analysis. In contrast, a study of an ecological data matrix based upon the relationship between objects is called Q analysis. Many authors (e.g., Pielou 1984) reverse this conventional usage.
- SSCP the sum-of-squares-and-cross-products matrix. the matrix formed by multiplying a matrix times its transpose. The (i,i)th element is the sum of squares of the ith variable. The (h,i)th element is the sum of cross-products of the h'th and ith variables.

- standardization— an algebraic operation $(e.g., x_1/(standard deviation of x_1)$ performed on a variable or site vector to achieve a desired property (e.g., non-dimensionality, common variance). Standardization requires calculation of the row or column sums of a data matrix. Data measured on different scales must be standardized prior to analysis. Norm standardization is dividing each element by $\sqrt{\sum (x_1)^2}$. If the data have been previously centered, then dividing the centered variables by the norm is equivalent to dividing the original variable by the standard deviation.
- transformation A transformation can be performed without knowledge of the row or column sums of a data matrix. A standardization requires such knowledge.
- variance a measure of the dispersion of a variable; defined as the sum of squared deviations from the mean divided by the number of cases or entities.

APPENDIX III FULL EMAP-E VIRGINIAN PROVINCE MODIFIED FAUNAL LIST

This appendix shows the full EMAP-E VP faunal list. It also shows which EMAP-E VP faunal groupings must be dropped and those that must be pooled to replicate the community structure analyses in this report.

	EMAP-E VP SPECIES CODES								
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No	CODE	GENUS SPP.	PHYLYUM	CLASS	FAMILY				
1	AMPHARCT	Ampharete arctica	Annelida	Polychaeta	Ampharetidae				
2	ANOBGRAC	Anobothrus gracilis	Annelida	Polychaeta	Ampharetidae				
3	ASABOCUL	Asabellides oculata	Annelida	Polychaeta	Ampharetidae				
4	HOBSFLOR	Hobsonıa florida	Annelida	Polychaeta	Ampharetidae				
5	MELIMACU	Melinna maculata	Annelida	Polychaeta	Ampharetidae				
6	PSEUPAUC	Pseudeurythoe paucibranchiata	Annelida	Polychaeta	Amphinomidae				
7	ARABSPEA	Arabellıdae sp. A Morrıs	Annelida	Polychaeta	Arabellıdae				
8		Drilonereis longa	Annelida	Polychaeta	Arabellidae				
9	DRILSPEB	Drilonereis sp. B Gardiner	Annelida	Polychaeta	Arabellidae				
10	NOTOSPIN	Notocirrus spiniferus	Annelida	Polychaeta	Arabellidae				
11	AMASCAPE	Amastigos caperatus	Annelida	Polychaeta	Capitellidae				
12	HETEFILI	Heteromastus filiformis	Annelida	Polychaeta	Capitellidae				
13	MEDIAMBI	Mediomastus ambiseta	Annelida	Polychaeta	Capitellidae				
14	MEDICALI	Mediomasius californiensis	Annelida	Polychaeta	Capitellidae				
15	NOTOLOBA	Notomastus lobatus	Annelida	Polychaeta	Capitellidae				
16	NOTOLURI	Notomastus luridus	Annelida	Polychaeta	Capitellidae				
17	NOTOSPA	Notomastus sp A Ewing	Annelida	Polychaeta	Capitellidae				
18	CHAEVARI	Chaetopterus variopedatus	Annelida	Polychaeta	Chaetopteridae				
19	SPIOCOST	Spiochaetopterus costarum	Annelida	Polychaeta	Chaetopteridae				
20	BHAWHETE	Bhawanıa heteroseta	Annelida	Polychaeta	Chrysopetalidae				
21	CAULBIOC	Caulleriella cf. bioculata	Annelida	Polychaeta	Cırratulıdae				
22	CAULSPEB	Caulleriella sp. B Blake	Annelida	Polychaeta	Cırratulıdae				
23	CIRRGRAN	Cırrıformıa grandıs	Annelida	Polychaeta	Cırratulıdae				
24	THARACUT	Tharyx acutus	Annelida	Polychaeta	Cırratulıdae				
25	THARSPA	Tharyx sp. A Morris	Annelida	Polychaeta	Cırratulidae				
26	COSSSOYE	Cossura longocirrata	Annelida	Polychaeta	Cossundae				
27	DORVRUDO	Dorvillea rudolphi	Annelida	Polychaeta	Dorvilleidae				
28	DORVSPEA	Dorvilleidae sp. A Hilbig	Annelida	Polychaeta	Dorvilleidae				
29	MEIOSPEA	Mesodorvillea sp. A Morris	Annelida	Polychaeta	Dorvilleidae				
30	PAROCAEC	Parougia caeca	Annelida	Polychaeta	Dorvilleidae				
31	PROTKEFE	Protodorvillea kefersteini	Annelida	Polychaeta	Dorvilleidae				
32	MARPBELL	Marphysa bellı	Annelida	Polychaeta	Eunicidae				
33	MARPSANG	Marphysa sanguinea	Annelida	Polychaeta	Eunicidae				
34	BRADVILL	Brada villosa	Annelida	Polychaeta	Flabelligeridae				

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		Pherusa affinis	Annelida	Polychaeta	Flabelligendae
35			Annelida	Polychaeta	Glycendae
36		Glycera americana	Annelida	Polychaeta	Glyceridae
37	GLYCDIBR	Glycera dibranchiata	Annelida	Polychaeta	Glyceridae
38		Glycera robusta	Annelida	Polychaeta	Glyceridae
39	HEMIROSE	Hemipodus roseus	Annelida	Polychaeta	Goniadidae
40	GLYCSOLI	Glycinde solitaria		Polychaeta	Gomadidae
41	GONIGRAC	Goniadella gracilis	Annelida Annelida	Polychaeta	Goniadidae
42	OPHIGIGA	Ophioglycera gigantea		Polychaeta	Hesionidae
43	GYPTVITT	Gyptis crypta	Annelida	Folychacia	Hesionidae
44	MICRABER	Microphthalmus aberrans	Annelida	Polychaeta	Hesionidae
45	MICRFRAG	Microphthalmus fragilis	Annelida	Polychaeta	Hesionidae
46	MICRSCZE	Microphthalmus sczelkowii	Annelida	Polychaeta	Hesionidae
47	.MICRSIMI	Microphthalmus similis	Annelida	Polychaeta	Hesionidae
48	PARALUTE	Parahesione luteola	Annelida	Polychaeta	Hesionidae
49	PODAOBSC	Podarke obscura	Annelida	Polychaeta	Hesionidae
50	PODALEVI	Podarkeopsis levifuscina	Annelida	Polychaeta	Hesionidae
51	NINONIGR	Ninoe nigripes	Annelida	Polychaeta	Lumbrineridae
52	LUMBACIC	Scoletoma acıcularum	Annelida	Polychaeta	Lumbrineridae
53	SCOLHEBE	Scoletoma hebes	Annelida	Polychaeta	Lumbrineridae
54	LUMBTENI	Scoletoma tenuis	Annelida	Polychaeta	Lumbrineridae
55	CLYMTORQ	Clymenella torquata	Annelida	Polychaeta	<u>Maldanidae</u>
56	MACRZONA	Macroclymene zonalis	Annelida	Polychaeta	Maldanidae
57	SABAELON	Sabaco elongatus	Annelida	Polychaeta	Maldanidae
58	AGLACIRC	Aglaophamus circinata	Annelida	Polychaeta	Nephtyidae
59	AGLAVERR	Aglaophamus verrilli	Annelida	Polychaeta	Nephtyidae
60	NEPHBUCE	Nephtys bucera	Annelida	Polychaeta	Nephtyidae
61	NEPHCRYP	Nephtys cryptomma	Annelida	Polychaeta	Nephtyidae
62	NEPHINCI	Nephtys incisa	Annelida	Polychaeta	Nephtyidae
63	NEPHPICT	Nephtys picta	Annelida	Polychaeta	Nephtyidae
64	CERAIRRI	Ceratonereis ırritabılıs	Annelida	Polychaeta	Nereididae
65	LAEOCULV	Laeonereis culveri	Annelida	Polychaeta	Nereididae
66	NEANAREN	Neanthes arenaceodentata	Annelida	Polychaeta	Nereididae
67	NEANSUCC	Neanthes succinea	Annelida	Polychaeta	Nereididae
68	NEANVIRE	Neanthes virens	Annelida	Polychaeta	Nereididae
69	NEREGRAY		Annelida	Polychaeta	Nereididae
70	PLATDUME		Annelida	Polychaeta	Nereididae
71	DIOPCUPR	Diopatra cuprea	Annelida	Polychaeta	Onuphidae
72	ONUPEREM		Annelida	Polychaeta	Onuphidae
73	OPHEBICO	Ophelia bicornis	Annelida	Polychaeta	Opheliidae
74	OPHEACUM		Annelida	Polychaeta	Opheliidae
75	TRAVSPEA	Travisia sp. A Morris	Annelida	Polychaeta	Opheliidae
76	TRAVSPEB	Travisia sp B Morris	Annelida	Polychaeta	Opheliidae
77	LEITFRAG	Leitoscoloplos fragilis	Annelida	Polychaeta	Orbiniidae
78		Leuoscoloplos robustus	Annelida	Polychaeta	Orbiniidae
79		Orbinia riseri	Annelida	Polychaeta	Orbinudae
80			Annelida	Polychaeta	Orbinidae
81	SCOLCAPE		Annelida	Polychaeta	Orbinidae

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82		Scolopios rubra	Annelida	Polychaeta	Orbiniidae
83	MYRIOCUL	Galathowenia oculata	Annelida	Polychaeta	Oweniidae
	OWENFUSI	Owenia fusiformis	Annelida	Polychaeta	Oweniidae
84		Aricidea catherinae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Paraonidae
85			Annelida	Polychaeta	Paraonidae
86		Aricidea cerrutti			
87		Arıcidea fragılis	Annelida	Polychaeta Polychaeta	Paraonidae Paraonidae
88		Arıcidea wassı	Annelida	Polychaeta	Paraonidae Paraonidae
89	CIRRSPEA	Cirrophorus sp. A Morris	Annelida	Polychaeta	Paraonidae Paraonidae
90	CIRROSPB	Cirrophorus sp B Morris	Annelida	Polychaeta	Paraonidae
91		Levinsenia gracilis	Annelida	Polychaeta	Paraonidae
92	LEVISPEA	Levinsenia sp A Morris	Annelida	Polychaeta	Paraonidae
93	PARADSPB	Paradoneis sp B Morris	Annelida	Polychaeta	Paraonidae
94	PARAFULG	Paraonis fulgens	Annelida	Polychaeta	Paraonidae
95	PARAPYGO	Paraonis pygoenigmatica	Annelida	Polychaeta	Paraonidae
96	PECTGOUL	Pectınaria gouldii	Annelida	Polychaeta	Pectinanidae *
97	EUMISANG	Eumida sanguinea	Annelida	Polychaeta	Phyllodocidae
98	HESIELON	Hesionura elongata	Annelida	Polychaeta	Phyllodocidae
99	ETEOFOLI	Hypereteone foliosa	Annelida	Polychaeta	Phyllodocidae
100		Hypereteone heteropoda	Annelida	Polychaeta	Phyllodocidae
101	HYPELONG	Hypereteone longa	Annelida	Polychaeta	Phyllodocidae
102		Paranaitis speciosa	Annelida	Polychaeta	Phyllodocidae
103	PHYLAREN	Phvllodoce arenae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Phyllodocidae
104		Phyllodoce maculata	Annelida	Polychaeta	Phyllodocidae
105		Phyllodoce mucosa	Annelida	Polychaeta	Phyllodocidae
106		Ancistrosyllis hartmanae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Pilargidae
107		Ancistrosyllis jonesi	Annelida	Polychaeta	Pilargidae
108	CABIINCE	Cabira incerta	Annelida	Polychaeta	Pilargidae
109	SIGABASS	Sigambra bassı	Annelida	Polychaeta	Pilargidae
110		Sigambra tentaculata	Annelida	Polychaeta	Pılargidae
111	PISIREMO	Pisione remota	Annelida	Polychaeta	Pisionidae
112		Harmothoe extenuata	Annelida	Polychaeta	Polynoidae
			Annelida	Polychaeta	Polynoidae
113		Harmothoe imbricata Harmothoe macginitiei	Annelida	Polychaeta	Polynoidae
			Annelida	Polychaeta	Polynoidae
115	HAKIMUUK	Hartmania moorei	Villeting	I OIYCHACIA	
116	LEPICOMM	Lepidametria commensalis	Annelida	Polychaeta	Polynoidae
117	LEPISQUA	Lepidonotus squamatus	Annelida	Polychaeta	Polynoidae
117	LEPISUBL	Lepidonotus sublevis	Annelida	Polychaeta	Polynoidae
119	LEPIVARI	Lepidonotus variabilis	Annelida	Polychaeta	Polynoidae
		Malmgreniella sp. A			
120	MIAI MINDA	Weston	Annelida	Polychaeta	Polynoidae
		Malmgreniella sp B	A 1 J_	Deluchente	Deluranda
121	MALMSPEB	Weston	Annelida	Polychaeta	Polynoidae
122	PROTCHAE	Protodriloides chaetifer	Annelida	Polychaeta	Protodniidae
123		Sabellarıa vulgarıs	Annelida	Polychaeta	Sabellamidae
124	CHONINFU	Chone infundibuliformis	Annelida	Polychaeta	Sabellidae
		Demonax		1	
125	DEMOMICR	microphthalmus	Annelida	Polychaeta	Sabellidae
126	EUCHELEG	Euchone elegans	Annelida	Polychaeta	Sabellidae
127	EUCHINCO	Euchone incolor	Annelida	Polychaeta	Sabellidae

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No	CODE		Annelida	Polychaeta	Sabellidae
128	LAONKROY	Laonome kroeyeri	Annelida	Polychaeta	Sabellidae
129	MANAAEST	Manayunkia aestuarina		Polychaeta	Sabellidae
130	MYXIINFU	Myxicola infundibulum	Annelida	Folycliaeta	
131	PSEURENI	Pseudopotamilla reniformis	Annelida	Polychaeta	Sabellidae
132	SCALINFL	Scalibregma inflatum	Annelida	Polychaeta	Scalibregmatidae
133	PHOLMINU	Pholoe minuta	Annelida	Polychaeta	Sigalionidae
134	SIGAAREN	Sigalion arenicola	Annelida	Polychaeta	Sigalionidae
135	STENBOA	Sthenelais boa	Annelida	Polychaeta	Sigalionidae
136	STHELIMI	Sthenelais limicola	Annelida	Polychaeta	Sigalionidae
137	APOPPYGM	Apoprionospio pygmaea	Annelida	Polychaeta	Spionidae
138	BOCLHAMA	Boccardiella hamata	Annelida	Polychaeta	Spionidae
139	BOCCLIGE	Boccardiella ligerica	Annelida	Polychaeta	Spionidae
140	CARAHOBS	Carazziella hobsonae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Spionidae
141	DISPUNCI	Dispio uncinata	Annelida	Polychaeta	Spionidae
142	MAREVIRI	Marenzelleria vıridis	Annelida	Polychaeta	Spionidae
143	PARAPINN	Paraprionospio pınnata	Annelida	Polychaeta	Spionidae
144	POLYAGGR	Polydora aggregata	Annelida	Polychaeta	Spionidae
145	POLYCAUL	Polydora caullery:	Annelida	Polychaeta	Spionidae
146	POLYCORN	Polydora cornuta	Annelida	Polychaeta	Spionidae
147	POLYGIAR	Polydora giardı	Annelida	Polychaeta	Spionidae
148	POLYQUAD	Polydora quadrilobata	Annelida	Polychaeta	Spionidae
149	POLYSOCI	Polydora socialis	Annelida	Polychaeta	Spionidae
	POLYWEBS	Polydora websteri	Annelida	Polychaeta	Spionidae
150 151	PRIOHETE	Prionospio heterobranchia	Annelida	Polychaeta	Spionidae
152	PRIOPERK	Prionospio perkinsi	Annelida	Polychaeta	Spionidae ·
	PRIOSTEE	Prionospio steenstrupi	Annelida	Polychaeta	Spionidae
153	PYGOELEG	Pygospio elegans	Annelida	Polychaeta	Spionidae
154	SCOLBOUS	Scolelepis bousfieldi	Annelida	Polychaeta	Spionidae
155	SCOLQUAD	Scolelepis quadrilobata	Annelida	Polychaeta	Spionidae
156	SCOLSQUA	Scolelepis squamata	Annelida	Polychaeta	Spionidae
157		Scolelepis texana	Annelida	Polychaeta	Spionidae
158			Annelida	Polychaeta	Spionidae
159		Spio filicornis Spio limicola	Annelida	Polychaeta	Spionidae
160			Annelida	Polychaeta	Spionidae
161	SPIOSETO	Spio setosa	Annelida	Polychaeta	Spionidae
162		Sprophanes bombyx	Annelida	Polychaeta	Spionidae
163		Streblospio benedicti	Annelida	Polychaeta	Sternaspidae
164		Sternaspis scutatus	Annelida	Polychaeta	Syllidae
165		Autolytus sp. A Glasby	Annelida	Polychaeta	Syllidae
166				Polychaeta	Syllidae
167		Exogone dispar	Annelida Annelida	Polychaeta	Syllidae
168				Polychaeta	Syllidae
169			Annelida	Polychaeta	Syllidae
170			Annelida		Syllidae
171	ODONFULG		Annelida	Polychaeta	
172	PARALONG	ongicirratu	Annelida	Polychaeta	Syllidae
173	PIONSPEA	Pionosyllis sp. A Glasby	Annelida	Polychaeta	Syllidae
174		Pionosyllis sp B Glasby	Annelida	Polychaeta	Syllidae

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175		Proceraea cornuta	Annelida	Polychaeta	Syllidae
176		Sphaerosyllis aciculata	Annelida	Polychaeta	Syllidae
	SPHATAYL	Sphaerosyllis taylori	Annelida	Polychaeta	Syllidae
177		Streptosyllis arenae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Syllidae
178		Streptosyllis pettiboneae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Syllidae
179		Streptosyllis varians	Annelida	Polychaeta	Syllidae
180		Syllides convoluta	Annelida	Polychaeta	Syllidae
181	-		Annelida	Polychaeta	Syllidae
182		Syllides verrilli	Annelida	Polychaeta	Terebellidae
183	AMPHORNA	Amphitrite ornata	Annenga	rolycliaeta	1 Creocindae
184	ENOPSANG	Enoplobranchus sanguineus	Annelida	Polychaeta	Terebellidae
185	LOIMMEDU	Loimia medusa	Annelida	Polychaeta	Terebellidae
186	NICOZOST	Vicolea zostericola	Annelida	Polychaeta	Terebellidae
187	PISTCRIS	Pista cristata	Annelida	Polychaeta_	Terebellidae
188	PISTPALM	Pista palmata	Annelida	Polychaeta	<u>Terebellidae</u>
189	POLYHAEM	Polycırrus cf. haematodes	Annelida	Polychaeta	Terebellidae
190	POLYEXIM	Polycirrus eximius	Annelida	Polychaeta	Terebellidae
191		Polycirrus medusa	Annelida	Polychaeta	Terebellidae
192	TERESTRO	Terebellides stroemi	Annelida	Polychaeta	Trichobranchidae
193	TROCMULT	Trochochaeta multisetosa	Annelida	Polychaeta	Trochochaetidae
194	POLYSPEA	Polychaeta sp A Arcuri	Annelida	Polychaeta	Unidentified
195	POLYSPEB	Polychaeta sp B Arcuri	Annelida	Polychaeta	Unidentified
196	AMPEAGAS	Ampelisca agassizi	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Ampeliscidae
197	AMPEVERR	Ampelisca verrilli	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Ampeliscidae
198	BYBLSERR	Byblis serrata	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Ampeliscidae
199	AMPILONG	Ampithoe longimanna	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Ampithoidae
200	AMPIVALI	Ampithoe valida	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Ampithoidae
201	CYMACOMP	Cymadusa compta	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Ampithoidae
202	LEMBSMIT	Lembos smithi	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Aoridae
203	LEMBWEBS	Lembos websteri	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Aoridae
204	LEPTPING	Leptocheirus pinguis	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Aondae
205	LEPTPLUM	Leptocheirus plumulosus	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Aondae
206		Microdeutopus anomalus	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Aondae
207	MICRGRYL	Microdeutopus eryllotalpa	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Aondae
208	PSEUOBLI	Pseudunciola obliquua	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Aoridae
209	RUDINAGL	Rudilemboides naglei	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Aoridae
210	UNCIDISS	Unciola dissimilis	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Aoridae
211	UNCIINER	Uncıola inermıs	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Aoridae
212	UNCHRRO	Unciola irrorata	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Aondae
213	UNCISERR	Unciola serrata	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Aoridae
214	ARIGHAMA	Arıgissa hamatıpes	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Argissidae
215	BATECATH	Batea catharinensis	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Baterdae
216	CALLLAEV	Calliopius laeviusculus	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Calliopidae
217	COROACHE	Corophium acherusicum	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Corophiidae
218	COROACUT	Corophium acutum	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Corophiidae
219	COROBONN	Corophium bonellii	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Corophiidae
220	COROCRAS	Corophium crassicorne	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Corophiidae
-	COROINSI	Corophium insidiosum	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Corophidae
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22		Corophium lacustre	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Corophiidae
223		Corophium sextoni	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Corophiidae
224	00100	Corophium simile	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Corophiidae
225		Corophium tuberculatum	Arthropoda	<u>Amphipoda</u>	Corophiidae
226	0010-	Dexamine thea	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Dexaminidae
227		Gammarus annulatus	Arthropoda	<u>Amphipoda</u>	Gammaridae
	0.20.20.	Gammarus daiberi	Arthropoda	<u>Amphipoda</u>	Gammaridae
228 229	012000	Gammarus fasciatus	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Gammaridae
229 230	0	Gammarus oceanicus	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Gammaridae
230 231	Orania Comme	Mucrogammarus mucronatus	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Gammaridae
020	ACANMILL	Acanthohaustorius millsi	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Haustorudae
232	ACANSIMI	Acanthohaustorius sımılis	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Haustoriidae
233	BATHPARK	Bathyporeia parkeri	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Haustoriidae
234	LEPIDYTI	Lepidactylus dytiscus	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Haustorudae '
235 236	PARAATTE	Parahaustorius attenuatus	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Haustorndae
		Parahaustorius holmesi	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Haustoriidae
237 238	PARAHOLM PARALNGI	Parahaustorius	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Haustonidae
239	 	Protohaustorius cf	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Haustorndae
├		deichmannae	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Haustorudae
240	PROTWIGL	Protohaustorius wigleyi			Haustonidae
241	PSEUBORE	Pseudohaustorius porealis	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	110000111000
242		Pseudohaustorius caroliniensis	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Haustoriidae
├ ─			Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Isaeidae
243		Microprotopus ranevi	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Isaeidae
244		Photis dentata	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	<u>Isaeidae</u>
245			Arthropoda	Amphipoda	lsaeidae
24			Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Isaeidae
24			Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Ischyroceridae
24		Ericihonius brasiliensis	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Ischyroceridae
24		Ericthonius fasciatus	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Ischyroceridae
25			Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Ischyroceridae
25			Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Ischyroceridae
25			Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Liljeborgiidae
25			Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Liljeborgiidae
25		Listriella smithi	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Liljeborgudae
25			Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Lysianassidae
_	6 ANONLIL		Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Lysianassidae
_	7 HIPPSERR		Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Lysianassidae
_	58 LYSIALBA		Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Lysianassidae
	ORCHMINI 60 DULIAPPI	Dulichiella	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Melitidae
┕		пррениниции	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Melitidae
_	61 ELASLAE		Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Melitidae
2	62 MELINIT				Oedicerotidae
12	63 MONOSPE	Monoculodes sp. l Watting	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	

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264	SYNCAMER	Synchelidium	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Oedicerotidae
		americanum			
265	EOBRSPIN	Eobrolgus spinosus	Arthropoda Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Phoxocephalidae
266	HARPPROP	Harpinia propinqua	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Phoxocephalidae
267	PHOXHOLB	Phoxocephalus holbolli	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Phoxocephalidae
268	RHEPEPIS	Rhepoxynius epistomus	Arthropoda Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Phoxocephalidae Phoxocephalidae
269	RHEPHUDS	Rhepoxynius hudsoni		Amphipoda	
270	PARAAEST	Parapleustes aestuarius	Arthropoda	Amphipoda Amphipoda	Pleustidae Pleustidae
271		Pleusymtes glaber	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	
272	STENGRAC	Stenopleustes gracilis	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Pleustidae Pleustidae
273	STENINER	Stenopleustes inermis	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	
274	DYOPMONA	Dyopedos monacanthus	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Podoceridae
275		Parametopella cypris	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Stenothoidae
276	STENMINU	Stenothoe minuta Stenothoe valida	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Stenothoidae
277	STENVALI		Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Stenothoidae
278	HUTCMACR	Hutchinsoniella macracantha	Arthropoda	Cephalocarida	Hutchinsoniellida
279	ABLAPARA	Ablabesmyıa parajanta	Arthropoda	Chironomidae	Tanypodinae
280	PROCSUBL	Procladius sublettei	Arthropoda	Chironomidae	Tanypodinae
281	BODOSPEA	Bodotria sp. A Morris	Arthropoda	Cumacea	Bodotrudae
282	CYCLVARI	Cyclaspis varians	Arthropoda	Ситасеа	Bodotnidae
283	MANCSTEL	Mancocuma stellifera	Arthropoda	Cumacea	Bodotnidae
284	BODOTRII	Pseudoleptocuma minor	Arthropoda	Cumacea	Bodotrudae
285	PSEUMINO	Pseudoleptocuma minor	Arthropoda	Cumacea	Bodotrudae
286	DIASQUAD	Diastylis quadrispinosa	Arthropoda	Cumacea	Diastylidae
287	DIASSCUL	Diastylis sculpta	Arthropoda	Cumacea	Diastylidae
288	OXYUSMIT	Oxyurostylis smithi	Arthropoda	Cumacea	Diastylidae
289		Eudorella pusilla	Arthropoda	Cumacea	Leuconidae
290	LEUCAMER	Leucon americanus	Arthropoda	Cumacea	Leuconidae
291	ALMYPROX	Almyracuma proximoculi	Arthropoda	Cumacea	Nannastacidae
292	ALPHHETE	Alpheus heterochaelis	Arthropoda	Decapoda	Alpheidae
293	AUTOMSPA	Automate sp. A Williams	Arthropoda	Decapoda	Alpheidae
294	CALLSETI	Callianassa setimanus	Arthropoda	Decapoda	Callianassidae
295	CRANSEPT	Crangon septemspinosa	Arthropoda	Decapoda	Crangonidae
296	LIBIEMAR	Libinıa emargınata	Arthropoda	Decapoda	Majidae
297	OGYRALPH	Ogyrıdes alphaerostrıs	Arthropoda	Decapoda	Ogyrididae
298	PAGUACAD	Pagurus acadianus	Arthropoda	Decapoda	Paguridae
299	PAGUANNU	Pagurus annulipes	Arthropoda	Decapoda	Paguridae
300	PAGULONG	Pagurus longicarpus	Arthropoda	Decapoda	Pagundae
301		Pagurus pollicarıs	Arthropoda	Decapoda	Paguridae
302		Euceramus praelongus	Arthropoda	Decapoda	Porcellanidae
303	POLYGIBB	Polyonyx gibbesi	Arthropoda	Decapoda	Porcellanidae
304	OVALOCEL	Ovalipes ocellatus	Arthropoda	Decapoda	Portunidae
305	PROCVICI	Processa vicina	Arthropoda	Decapoda	Processidae
306	UPOGAFFI	Upogebia affinıs	Arthropoda	Decapoda	Upogebiidae
307	NEOPSAYI	Dyspanopeus sayı	Arthropoda	Decapoda	Xanthidae
308	HEXAANGU	Hexapanopeus angustifrons	Arthropoda	Decapoda	Xanthidae
309	PANOHERB	Panopeus herbstu	Arthropoda	Decapoda	Xanthidae
<u>310</u>	RHITHARR	Rhithropanopeus harrisii	Arthropoda	Decapoda	Xanthidae

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311	ADANMACN	Amakusanthura	Arthropoda	Isopoda	Anthuridae
312		magnifica Cyathura burbancki	Arthropoda	İsopoda	Anthuridae
-	CYATPOLI	Cyathura polita	Arthropoda	Isopoda	Anthuridae
313		Ptilanthura tenuis	Arthropoda	Isopoda	Anthuridae
314		Politolana polita	Arthropoda	Isopoda	Cırolanidae
315	POLIPOLI CHIRALMY	Chiridotea almyra	Arthropoda	Isopoda	Idoteidae
316	CHIRCOEC	Chiridotea coeca	Arthropoda	Isopoda	Idoteidae
317		Edotea triloba	Arthropoda	Isopoda	Idoteidae
318		Erichsonella attenuata	Arthropoda	Isopoda	Idoteidae
319		Erichsonella filiformis	Arthropoda	Isopoda	Idoteidae
320		Idotea balthica	Arthropoda	Isopoda	Idoteidae
321			Arthropoda	Isopoda	Idoteidae
322	IDOTPHOS	Idotea phosphorea	Arthropoda	Isopoda	Janıridae
323	JAERMARI DV SUTNER	Jaera marına Pleurogonium inerme	Arthropoda	Isopoda	Munnidae
324	PLEUINER		Аппорода		
325	PLEUSPIN	Pleurogonium spinosissmum	Arthropoda	Isopoda	Munnidae
326	ANCIDEPR	Ancinus depressus	Arthropoda	Isopoda	Sphaeromatidae
327	CASSOVAL	Cassidinidea ovalis	Arthropoda	Isopoda	Sphaeromatidae
328	PARACAUD	Paracerceis caudata	Arthropoda	Isopoda	Sphaeromatidae
329	SPHAQUAD	Sphaeroma guadridentatum	Arthropoda	Isopoda	Sphaeromatidae
330	CALLBREV	Callipallene brevirostris	Arthropoda	Pycnogonida	Callipallenidae
331	ANOPPETI	Anoplodactylus petiolatus	Arthropoda	Pycnogonida	Phoxichiliduidae
332	TANYORBI	Tanystylum orbiculare	Arthropoda	Pycnogonida	Tanystylidae
333		Nannosquilla gravi	Arthropoda	Stomatopoda	Nannosquillidae
334	SQUIEMPU	Squilla empusa	Arthropoda	Stomatopoda	Squillidae
335	LEPTDUBI	Leptochelia dubta	Arthropoda	Tanaidacea	Nototanaidae
336	TANAPSAM	Tanaissus psammophilus	Arthropoda	Tanaidacea	Nototanaidae .
337	HARGRAPA	Hargeria rapax	Arthropoda	Tanaidacea	Paratanaidae
338	TANASPEA	Tanaıdacea sp. A Williams	Arthropoda	Tanaidacea	Tanaidacea
339	CYRNFRAT	Cyrnellus fraternus	Arthropoda	Trichoptera	Polycentropodidae
340	CERIAMER	Cerianiheopsis americanus	Cnidaria	Anthozoa	Cerranthidae
341	CAUDAREN	Caudina arenata	Echinodermata	Holothuroidea	Caudinidae
342	STERUNIS	Stereoderma unisemita	Echinodermata	Holothuroidea	Cucumarııdae
343	HAVESCAB	Havelockia scabra	Echinodermata	Holothuroidea	Phyllophoridae
344	PENTPULC	Pentamera pulcherrima	Echinodermata	Holothuroidea	Phyllophoridae
345	LEPTTENU	Leptosynapta tenuis	Echinodermata	Holothuroidea	Synaptidae
346	SACCKOWA	Saccoglossus kowalevsku	Hemichordata	Hemichordata	Harrimaniidae
347	STERCAND	Stereobalanus candensis	Hemichordata	Hemichordata	Harrimaniidae
348	ANADOVAL	Anadara ovalis	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Arcidae
349	ANADTRAN	Anadara transversa	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Arcidae
350	ARCTISLA	Arctica islandica	Mollusca	Bıvalvia	Arcticidae
351	ASTACAST	Astarte castanea	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Astartidae
352	ASTACREN	Astarte crenata	Mollusca	Bivalvıa	Astartidae
353	ASTASPEA	Astarte sp. A Mountford	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Astartidae
354		Astarte undata	Mollusca	Bıvalvia	Astartidae

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355	CERAPINN	Cerastoderma pinnulatum	Mollusca	Bıvalvia	Cardiidae
356	LAEVMORT	Laevicardium mortoni	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Cardiidae
357	CYCLBORE	Cyclocardia borealis	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Carditidae
358	CORBFLUM	Corbicula fluminea	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Corbiculidae
359	CORBCONT	Corbula contracta	Mollusca	<u>Bivalvia</u>	Corbulidae
360	DONAVARI	Donax varıabilis	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Donacidae
361	ALIGELEV	Aligena elevata	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Kelliidae
362	PARVMULT	Parvilucina multilineata	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Lucinidae
363	LYONAREN	Lyonsia arenosa	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Lyonsudae
364	LYONHYAL	Lyonsıa hyalına	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Lyonsiidae
365	MULILATE	Mulinia lateralıs	Mollusca	Bıvalvia	Mactridae
366	RANGCUNE	Rangia cuneata	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Mactridae
367	SPISSOLI	Spisula solidissıma	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Mactridae
368	MYAAREN	Mya arenarıa	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Myidae
369	YOLDLIMA	Yoldıa limatula	Mollusca	Bıvalvıa	Nuculanidae
370		Vucula annulata	Moliusca	Bivalvia	Nuculidae
371		Nucula delphinodonta	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Nuculidae
372	CRASVIRG	Crassostrea virginica	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Ostreidae
373	PANDGOUL	Pandora gouldiana	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Pandoridae
374		Argopecten ırradians	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Pectinidae
375		Periploma margaritacea	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Periplomatidae
376		Petricola pholadiformis	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Petricolidae
377		Tagelus divisus	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Solecurtidae
378		Tagelus plebeius	Mollusca	Bıvalvia	Solecurtidae
379	SILICOST	Siliqua costata	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Solemyidae
380		Solemya velum	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Solemyidae
381		Ensis directus	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Solenidae
382		Musculium transversum	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Sphaeriidae
383		Macoma balthica	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Tellinidae
384		Macoma muchelli	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Tellinidae
385	MACOTENT	Macoma tenta	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Tellinidae
386		Tellina agılıs	Mollusca	Bıvalvia	Tellinidae
387		Asthenothaerus hemphilli	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Thracudae
388	BUSHELEG	Bushia elegans	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Thracudae
389	BIVASPEA	Bivalvia sp A Mountford	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Unidentified
390	ELLICOMP	Elliptio complanta	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Unionidae
391	GEMMGEMM	Gemma gemma	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Venendae
392		Mercenaria mercenaria	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Venendae
393	PITAMORR	Pıtar morrhuanus	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Venendae
394		Rictaxis punctostriatus	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Acteonidae
395	LAEVFUSC	Laevapex fuscus	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Ancylidae
396	BITHTENT	Bithynia tentaculata	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Bithyniidae
397	CAECJOHN	Caecum johnsoni	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Caecidae
398	CAECREGU	Caecum regulare	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Caecidae
399	CAECSPEA	Caecum sp A Mountford	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Caecidae
400	CAECSPEB	Caecum sp B Mountford	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Caecidae
401	CALYPSPA	Calyptraeidae sp. A Mountford	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Calyptraeidae
402	BITTALTE	Bittium alternatum	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Cerithiidae

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403		Seila adamsi	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Cerithiopsidae
404		Anachıs lafresnayi	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Columbellidae
405		Anachis obesa	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Columbellidae
406		Astyris lunata	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Columbellidae
407		Doridella obscura	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Corambidae
408		Cylichnella bidentata	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Cylichnidae
409		Epitonium greenlandicum	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Epitoniidae
410		Epitonium humphreysi	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Epitoniidae
411		Epitonium rupicola	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Epitoniidae
412		Cratena pilata	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Facelinidae
		Gastropoda sp. A	Moilusca	Gastropoda	Gastropoda
413		Mountford		Gastropoda	Haminoeidae
414		Haminoea soluaria	Mollusca		Hydrobiidae
415		Amnıcola limosa	Mollusca	Gastropoda Gastropoda	Hydrobiidae
416	<u> </u>	Cincinnatia winkleyi	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Hydrobiidae
417		Hydrobia truncata	Mollusca		Hydrobiidae
418		Littoridinops tenuipes	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Lacunidae
419	LACUVINC	Lacuna vincia	<u>Mollusca</u>	Gastropoda	Мипсідае
420		Eupleura caudata	Mollusca	Gastropoda	
421		Urosalpınx cınerea	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Muncidae
422		Ilyanassa obsoleta	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Nassarudae
423	NASSTRIV	Vassarius trivitiatus	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Nassariidae
424	NASSVIBE	Nassarius vibex	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Nassarıidae
425	NATIPUSI	Natica pusilla	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Naticidae
426	POLIHERO	Polinices heros	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Naticidae
427	GONIVIRG	Goniobasis virginica	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Pleuroceridae
428	BOONBISU	Boonea bisuturalis	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Pyramidellidae
429	BOONIMPR	Boonea impressa	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Pyramidellidae
430	BOONSEMI	Boonea seminuda	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Pyramidellidae
431	ODOSSULC	rf. Odostomia sulcosa	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Pyramidellidae
432	FARGBART	Fargoa bartscht	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Pyramidellidae
433	FARGBUSH	Fargoa bushtana	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Pyramidellidae
434	FARGGIBB	Fargoa gibbosa	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Pyramidellidae
435	ODOSENGO	Odostomia engonia	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Pyramidellidae
436	ODOSSPEA	Odostomia sp A Mountford	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Pyramidellidae
437	SAYECHES	Savella chesapeakea	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Pyramidellidae
438	TURBINTE	Turbonilla interrupta	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Pyramidellıdae Pyramidellıdae
439		Turbonilla sp. B Mountford	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Pyramidellidae
440	TURB?AEQ	Turbonilla ?aequalıs	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Pyramidellidae
441	ACTECANA	Acteocina canaliculata	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Scaphandridae
442		Acteocina oryza	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Scaphandridae
443		Kurtziella atrostyla	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Turridae
444		Turridae sp A Mountford	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Turridae
445		Valvata sıncera	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Valvatidae
446		Valvata tricarinata	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Valvatidae
447		Vitrinella floridana	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Vitrinellidae

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	Higher-Level Valid Taxa								
448	OLIGOCHA	Oligochaeta	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Unidentified				
449		Acrocirridae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Acrocirridae				
450	ARABIRMU	Arabella irıcolor-multidentata complex	Annelida	Polychaeta	Arabellidae				
451	CAPITELL	Capitella spp.	Annelida	Polychaeta	Capitellidae				
452	APHELOCH	Aphelochaeta spp.	Annelida	Polychaeta	Cirratulidae				
453	DODECACE	Dodecaceria spp	Annelida	Polychaeta	Cirratulidae				
454	MONTBPDS	Monticellina baptisteae-dorsobranchia lis	Annelida	Polychaeta	Cirratulidae				
455	OPHRYOTR	Ophryotrocha spp.	Annelida	Polychaeta	Dorvilleidae				
456	MAGELONA	Magelona spp	Annelida	Polychaeta	Magelonidae				
457	POLYGORD	Polygordius spp	Annelida	Polychaeta	Polygordiidae				
458	PROTODRI	Protodrilus spp	Annelida	Polychaeta	Protodrilidae				
459	SPHAEROD	Sphaerodoropsis spp.	Annelida	Polychaeta	Sphaerodoridae				
460	LAONICE	Laonice spp	Annelida	Polychaeta	Spionidae				
461	BRANCLSW	Branıa clavata-swedmarkı complex	Annelida	Polychaeta	Syllidae				
462	TYPOAL_1	Typosyllis alternata-sp 1 complex	Annelida	Polychaeta	Syllidae				
463	AMPEABVA	Ampelisca abdita-vadorum complex	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Ampeliscidae				
464	GITANOPS	Gitanopsis spp	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Amphilochidae				
465	THALASSI	Thalassınıdea	Arthropoda	Crustacea	Thalassinidea				
466	TRICORYT	Tricorythodes spp	Arthropoda	Ephemeroptera	Tricorythidae				
467	OPHIUROI	Ophiuroidea	Echinodermata	Ophiuroidea	Unidentified				
468	RAETACF	cf. Raeta spp.	Mollusca	Bivalvıa	Mactridae				
469	PISIDIUM	Pisidium spp	Mollusca	Bivalvıa	Pisidiidae Pisidiidae				
470	ANODONTA	Anodonta spp.	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Unionidae				
471	FERRISSI	Ferrussia spp	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Acroloxidae				
472	COLUMBEL	Columbella spp	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Columbellidae				
473	MELANELL	Melanella spp	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Elimidae				
474	LYOGYRUS	Lyogyrus spp	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Hydrobudae				
475	BUSYCON	Busycon spp.	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Melongenidae				
476	PHYSELLA	Physella spp.	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Physidae				
477	PROMENET	Promenetus spp	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Planorbidae				
478	PLEUROCE	Pleurocera spp	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Pleuroceridae				
479	NEMERTIN	Nemertinea	Nemertinea	Nemertinea	Unidentified				
480	PHORONIS	Phoronis spp.	Phoronida	Phoronida	Phoronidae				
481	SIPUNCUL	Sipuncula	Sipuncula	Sipuncula	Unidentified				

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	FRESHWATER TAXA								
482	ENCHYTRA	Enchytraeidae	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Enchytraeidae				
483		Lumbriculidae	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Lumbriculidae				
484		Arcteonais lomondi	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Naididae				
485		Bratislavia unidentada	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Naididae				
486	CHAETOGA	Chaetogaster spp.	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Naididae				
487	DERODIGI	Dero diguata	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Naididae				
488	NAISPARD	Nais pardalis	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Naididae				
489	NAISPSEU	Nais pseudobtusa	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Naididae				
490	PIGUMICH	Piguetiella michiganensis	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Naididae				
491	SLAVAPPE	Slavına appendiculata	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Naididae				
492	SPECJOSI	Specaria josinae	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Naididae				
493	STEPTAND	Stephensoniana tandvi	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Naididae)				
494	STEPTRIV	Stephensoniana trivandrana	Annelida	- Oligochaeta	Naididae				
495	STYLLACU	Stylarıa lacustrıs	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Naididae				
496	AULOLIMN	Aulodrilus limnobius	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Tubificidae				
497	AULOPAUC	Aulodrilus paucichaeta	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Tubificidae				
498	AULOPIGU	Aulodrilus pigueti	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Tubificidae				
499	AULOPLUR	Aulodrilus pluriseta	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Tubificidae				
500	BRANSOWE	Branchiura sowerbyi	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Tubificidae				
501	HABESPEC	Haber cf. speciosus	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Tubificidae				
502	ILYOTEMP	llyodrilus templetonı	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Tubificidae				
503	ISOCFREY	Isochaetides freyı	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Tubificidae				
504	LIMNCERV	Limnodrilus cervix	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Tubificidae				
505	LIMNCLAP	Lımnodrılus claparedianus	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Tubificidae				
506	LIMNHOFF	Limnodrilus hoffmeisteri	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Tubificidae				
507	LIMNUDEK	Limnodrilus udekemianus	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Tubificidae				
508	QUISMULT	Quistadrilus multisetosus	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Tubificidae				
509	TELMVEJD	Telmatodrilus vejdovskyt	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Tubificidae				
510	TUBIFIWI	Tubificidae with capiliform chaetae	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Tubificidae				
511	TUBIFIWO	Tubificidae without capiliform chaetae	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Tubificidae				
512	TUBIBROW	Tubificoides brownae	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Tubificidae				
513	TUBIHETE	Tubificoides heterochaeius	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Tubificidae				
514	AXARUS	Axarus spp.	Arthropoda	Chironomidae	Chironomini				
515	CHIRONOM	Chironomus spp	Arthropoda	Chironomidae	Chironomini				
516	CLADOPLE	Cladoplema spp	Arthropoda	Chironomidae	Chironomini				
517	CRYPFULV	Cryptochtronomus fulvus	Arthropoda	Chironomidae	Chironomini				
518	CRYPTOTE	Cryptotendipes spp	Arthropoda	Chironomidae	Chironomini				
519	DEMICRYP	Demicryptochironomus spp.	Arthropoda	Chironomidae	Chironomini				
520	DICRNERV	Dicrotendipes nervosus	Arthropoda	Chironomidae	Chironomini				
521	DICROTEN	Dicrotendipes spp	Arthropoda	Chironomidae	Chironomini				
522	ENDOCHIR	Endochironomus spp	Arthropoda	Chironomidae	Chironomini				
523	GLYPTOTE	Glyptotendipes spp	Arthropoda	Chironomidae	Chironomini				
524	HARNISCH	Harnischia spp	Arthropoda	Chironomidae	Chironomini				

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525	MICROCHI	Microchironomus spp.	Arthropoda	Chironomidae	Chironomini
526	PARACLAD	Paraciadopeima spp.	Arthropoda	Chironomidae	Chironomini
527	PARALAUT	Paralauterborniella spp.	Arthropoda	Chironomidae	Chironomini
528	POLYTRIP	Polypedilum tripodura	Arthropoda	Chironomidae	Chironomini
529	PSEUDOCH	Pseudochironomus spp.	Arthropoda	Chironomidae	Chironomini
530	STICTOCH	Stictochironomus spp.	Arthropoda	Chironomidae	Chironomini
531	NANOCLAD	Nanocladius spp.	Arthropoda	Chironomidae	Orthocladiinae
532	COELOTAN	Coelotanypus spp.	Arthropoda	Chironomidae	Tanypodinae
533	PROCHOLO	Procladius (Holotanypus) spp.	Arthropoda	Chironomidae	Tanypodinae
534	TANYPUS	Tanypus spp.	Arthropoda	Chironomidae '	Tanypodinae
535	CLADOTAN	Cladotanytarsus spp.	Arthropoda	Chironomidae	Tanytarsını
536		Rheotanytarsus spp.	Arthropoda	Chironomidae	Tanytarsını
537		Tanytarsus spp.	Arthropoda	Chironomidae	Tanytarsını
538		Dubıraphia spp.	Arthropoda	Coleoptera	Elmidae
539		Stenelmis spp.	Arthropoda	Coleoptera	Elmidae
540	BEZZIA	Bezzia spp.	Arthropoda	Diptera	Ceratopogonidae
541		Palpomyıa spp.	Arthropoda	Diptera	Ceratopogonidae
542	PROBEZZI	Probezzia spp.	Arthropoda	Diptera	Ceratopogonidae
543	SPHAEROM	Sphaeromias spp.	Arthropoda	Diptera	Ceratopogonidae
544		Chaoborus punctipennis	Arthropoda	Diptera	Chaoboridae
		Dolichopodidae	Arthropoda	Diptera	Dolichopodidae
545		Brachycercus spp.	Arthropoda	Ephemeroptera	Caenidae
546			Arthropoda	Ephemeroptera Ephemeroptera	Caemdae
547	CAENIS	Caenis spp. Hexagenia limbata	Arthropoda	Ephemeroptera Ephemeroptera	Ephemeridae
548	HEXALIMB		Arthropoda	Ephemeroptera Ephemeroptera	Ephemeridae
549		Hexagenia spp.	Arthropoda	Trichoptera	Hydropulidae
550	HYDROPTI	Hydroptila spp.	Arthropoda	Trichoptera	Leptoceridae
551	OECETIS	Oecetis spp.			····
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552	ASYCHIS				
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554	AMPEABDI	Ampelisca abdita	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Ampeliscidae
JJT		Ampelisca abdita Ampelisca vadorum	Arthropoda Arthropoda	Amphipoda Amphipoda	
555	AMPEVADO				Ampeliscidae
555	AMPEVADO	Ampelisca vadorum	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Ampeliscidae Ampeliscidae
555 556	AMPEVADO ORCHOMEN	Ampelisca vadorum Orchomenella spp.	Arthropoda Arthropoda	Amphipoda Amphipoda	Ampeliscidae Ampeliscidae Lysianassidae
555 556 557	AMPEVADO ORCHOMEN YOLDIA	Ampelisca vadorum Orchomenella spp. Yoldia spp.	Arthropoda Arthropoda Mollusca	Amphipoda Amphipoda Bivalvia	Ampeliscidae Ampeliscidae Lysianassidae Nuculanidae
555 556 557 558	AMPEVADO ORCHOMEN YOLDIA PANDORA PANDORID	Ampelisca vadorum Orchomenella spp. Yoldia spp. Pandora spp.	Arthropoda Arthropoda Mollusca Mollusca	Amphipoda Amphipoda Bivalvia Bivalvia	Ampeliscidae Ampeliscidae Lysianassidae Nuculanidae Pandoridae
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571	ASYCELON	Sabaco elongatus	Annelida	Polychaeta	Maldanidae
572	LEITOSCO	Leitoscoloplos spp.	Annelida	Polychaeta	Orbiniidae
573	OWENIA	Owenia spp.	Annelida	Polychaeta	Oweniidae
574	PECTINAR	Pectinaria spp.	Annelida	Polychaeta	Pectinariidae
575		Brania clavata	Annelida	Polychaeta	Syllidae
576		Branıa swedmarki	Annelida	Polychaeta	Syllidae
577	TYPOALTE	Typosyllis alternata	Annelida	Polychaeta	Syllidae
<i>578</i>	TYPOSPE1	Typosyllis sp. 1 NMFS	Annelida	Polychaeta	Syllidae
579	AMPHITRI	Amphitritinae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Terebellidae
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		Droppea	EMAP-E Tax	(See Text)	
580	NEVEDUPL				
757		Erpodellidae	Annelida	Hırudinea	Erpodellidae
758	HIRUDINE	Hirudinea	Annelida	Hirudinea	Unidentified
779	DERO	Dero spp.	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Naididae
780	NAIDIDAE	Naididae	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Naididae
781	STEPHENS	Stephensoniana spp.	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Naididae
782	TUBIFICO	Tubificoides spp.	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Tubificidae
784	AMPHARTD	Ampharetidae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Ampharetidae
785	ARABELLA	A <i>rabella</i> spp	Annelida	Polychaeta	Arabellidae
786	ARABELLI	Arabellidae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Arabellidae
787	CAPITELD	Capitellidae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Capitellidae
788	NOTOMAST	Notomastus spp	Annelida	Polychaeta	Capitellidae
789	CIRRATUL	Cırratulıdae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Cirratulidae
790	EUNICIDA	Eunicidae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Eunicidae
791	FLABELLI	Flabelligendae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Flabelligendae
792	GLYCERA	Glvcera spp	Annelida	Polychaeta	Glyceridae
793	GLYCERID	Glycendae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Glyceridae
794	GONIADID	Goniadidae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Goniadidae
795	GYPTIS	Gyptis spp	Annelida	Polychaeta	Hesionidae
796	HESIONID	Hesionidae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Hesionidae
797	MICROPHT	Microphthalmus spp	Annelida	Polychaeta	Hesionidae
798	LUMBRIND	Lumbrineridae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Lumbrineridae
799	LUMBRINE	Scoletoma spp	Annelida	Polychaeta	Lumbrineridae
800	MALDANID	Maldanidae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Maldanidae
801	NEPHTYID	Nephtyidae	Annelida	Polychaeta	- Nephtyidae
802	NEPHTYS	Nephrvs spp	Annelida	Polychaeta	Nephtyidae
803	NEREIDAE	Nereididae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Nereididae
804	ONUPHIDA	Onuphidae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Onuphidae
805	OPHELIID	Opheliidae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Opheliidae
806	TRAVISIA	Travisia spp	Annelida	Polychaeta	Opheliidae
807	ORBINIA	Orbinia spp.	Annelida	Polychaeta	Orbiniidae
808	ORBINID	Orbiniidae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Orbiniidae
809	SCOLOPLO	Scolopios spp	Annelida	Polychaeta	Orbiniidae
810	OWENIIDA	Oweniidae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Oweniidae
811	ARICIDEA	Aricidea spp	Annelida	Polychaeta	Paraonidae
812	PARAONID	Paraonidae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Paraonidae
813	ETEONE	Hypereteone spp	Annelida	Polychaeta	Phyllodocidae
814	PHYLLODO	Phyllodoce spp	Annelida	Polychaeta	Phyllodocidae
717	PHYLDCDE	Phyllodocidae Phyllodocidae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Phyllodocidae

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816		Pilargidae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Pilargidae
817		Sigambra spp.	Annelida	Polychaeta	Pilargidae
818	HARMOTHO	T	Annelida	Polychaeta	Polynoidae
819		Lepidonotus spp.	Annelida	Polychaeta	Polynoidae
820		Polynoidae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Polynoidae
821		Sabellariidae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Sabellanidae
822	EUCHONE	Euchone spp.	Annelida	Polychaeta	Sabellidae
823	FABRICIN	Fabricinae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Sabellidae
824		Sabellidae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Sabellidae
825		Scalibregmatidae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Scalibregmatidae
826		Filograninae sp. A Morris	Annelida	Polychaeta	Serpulidae
827		Hydroides dianthus	Annelida	Polychaeta	Serpulidae
		Hydroides protulicola	Annelida	Polychaeta	Serpulidae
828			Annelida	Polychaeta	Serpulidae
829		Hydroides spp.	Annelida	Polychaeta	Serpulidae
830		Serpulidae Singlepudee	Annelida	Polychaeta	Sigalionidae
831		Sigalionidae			Sigalionidae
832	STENELAI	Sthenelaus spp.	Annelida	Polychaeta	
833	POLYDORA	Polydora spp.	Annelida	Polychaeta	Spionidae
834	PRIONOSP	Prionospio spp.	Annelida	Polychaeta	Spionidae
835		Scolelepis spp.	Annelida	Polychaeta	Spionidae
836		Spio spp.	Annelida	Polychaeta Polychaeta	Spionidae
837	SPIONIDA	Spionidae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Spionidae
838	SPIRORBD	Spirorbidae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Spirorbidae
839	SPIRORBI	Spirorbis spp.	Annelida	Polychaeta	Spirorbidae
840	AUTOLYNI	Autolyninae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Syllidae
841	AUTOLYTU	Autolytus spp.	Annelida	Polychaeta	Syllidae
842	BRANIA	Branıa spp.	Annelida	Polychaeta	Syllidae
843	EXOGONE	Exogone spp.	Annelida	Polychaeta	Syllidae
844	PIONOSYL	Pionosyllis spp.	Annelida	Polychaeta	Syllidae
845	SPHAEROS	Sphaerosyllis spp.	Annelida	Polychaeta	Syllidae
846	STREPTOS	Streptosyllis spp.	Annelida	Polychaeta	Syllidae
847	SYLLIDAE	Syllidae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Syllidae
848	SYLLIDES	Syllides spp.	Annelida	Polychaeta	Syllidae
849	TYPOSYLL	Typosyllis spp.	Annelida	Polychaeta	Syllidae
850	PISTA	Pista spp.	Annelida	Polychaeta	Terebellidae
851	POLYCIRN	Polycimnae Unidentified	Annelida	Polychaeta	Terebellidae
852	POLYCIRR	Polycirrus spp.	Annelida	Polychaeta	Terebellidae
853	TEREBELL	Terebellidae	Annelida	Polychaeta	Terebellidae
854	POLYCSUB	Polychaeta: Other - Deep Deposit Feeders	Annelida	Polychaeta	Unidentified
855	POLYCCAR	Polychaeta: Other - Omnivores & Carnivore	Annelida	Polychaeta	Unidentified
856	POLYCSUR	Polychaeta: Other - Surface Feeders	Annelida	Polychaeta	Unidentified
857	POLYCHAE	Polychaeta: Other - Unidentified & fragments	Annelida	Polychaeta	Unidentified
581	AMPELISC	Ampelisca spp	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Ampeliscidae
582	AMPITHOE	Amputhoe spp.	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Ampithoidae
583	AMPITHOI	Ampithoidae	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Ampithoidae
584	AORIDAE	Aoridae	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Aoridae

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585	LEMBOS	Lembos spp.	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Aoridae
586	LEPTOCHE	Leptocheurus spp.	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Aoridae
-		Microdeutopus spp.	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Aoridae
587		Unciola spp.	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Aondae
588		Aeginina longicornis	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Caprellidae
589		Caprella andreae	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Caprellidae
590	CAPRANDR	Caprella penantis	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Caprellidae
591	CAPRPENA CAPRELLA	Caprella spp.	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Caprellidae
592		Caprellidae	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Caprellidae
593		Luconacia incerta	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Caprellidae
594		Paracaprella tenus	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Caprellidae
595			Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Corophiidae
596	COROPHIU	Corophium spp. Gammandae	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Gammaridae
597	-	Gammarus spp.	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Gammaridae
598	0	Acanthohaustorius spp.	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Haustoriidae
599		Haustonidae	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Haustonidae
600	HAUSTIDA		Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Haustorudae
601	PARAHAUS	Parahaustorius spp.	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Haustorudae
602	PROTOHAU	Protohaustorius spp.	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Isaeidae
603	PHOTIS	Photis spp.	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Ischyroceridae
604	ERICTHON	Ericthonius spp.	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Lilieborgudae
605	LILJEBOR	Liljeborgiidae	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Liljeborgudae
606	LISTRIEL	Listriella spp.	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Lysianassidae
607	LYSIADAE	Lysianassidae		Amphipoda	Melitidae
608	MELITIDA	Melitidae	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Oedicerotidae
609		Monoculodes spp.	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Phoxocephalidae
610	PHOXOCEP	Phoxocephalidae	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Phoxocephalidae
611	RHEPOXYN	Rhepoxynius spp.	Arthropoda Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Podoceridae
612	PODOCERI	Podoceridae	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Stenothoidae
613	STENOTHO	Stenothoe spp.	Arthropoda	Amphipoda	Unidentified
614	AMPHIPOD	Amphipoda: Other	Arthropoda	Astacidea	Nephropsidae
625	HOMAAMER		Arthropoda	Chironomidae	Chironomidae
674	CHRNMDAE	Chironomidae		Chironomidae	Chironomini
675		Chironomini	Arthropoda Arthropoda	Chironomidae	Chironomini
676	CRYPTOCH	Cryptochironomus spp.	Arthropoda	Chironomidae	Chironomini
677	POLYPEDI	Polypedilum spp.	Arthropoda	Chironomidae	Tanypodinae
678		Procladius spp.	Arthropoda	Chironomidae	Tanytarsını
679	TANYTTRB	Canytarsini	Arthropoda	Cirripedia	Balanidae
680	BALABALA	Balanus balanoides	Arthropoda	Cirripedia	Balanidae
681	BALACREN	Balanus crenatus	Arthropoda	Cirripedia	Balanidae
682	BALAIMPR	Balanus improvisus	Arthropoda	Cirripedia	Balanidae
683		Balanus spp.	Arthropoda	Cirripedia	Balanidae
684		Balanus venustus	Arthropoda	Cladocera	Unidentified
685		Cladocera	Arthropoda	Collembola	Unidentified
686			Arthropoda	Copepoda	Calanoida
687		Calanoida	Arthropoda	Copepoda	Caligoida
688		Caligoida	Arthropoda	Copepoda	Harpacticoida
689		Harpacticoida	Arthropoda	Cumacea	Bodotnidae
690			Arthropoda	Cumacea	Unidentified
691	CUMACEA	Cumacea	Armropoda	Cumacca	O I I COMMITTEE

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692	BRACHYUR	Brachyura	Arthropoda	Decapoda	Brachyura
693	CANCIRRO	Cancer irroratus	Arthropoda	Decapoda	Cancridae
694	CANCER	Cancer spp.	Arthropoda	Decapoda	Cancridae
695	CARIDEA	Caridea	Arthropoda	Decapoda	Caridea
696	HIPPOLYT	Hippolytidae	 Arthropoda 	Decapoda	Hippolytidae
697	LIBINIA	Libinia spp.	Arthropoda	Decapoda	Majidae
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701		Penaeidae	Arthropoda	Decapoda	Penaeidae
702		Frachypenaeus constrictus	Arthropoda	Decapoda	Penaeidae
703	DISSMELL	Dissodactylus mellitae	Arthropoda	Decapoda	Pinnotheridae
704	PINNCHAE	Pinnixa chaetopterana	Arthropoda	Decapoda	Pinnotheridae
705	PINNRETI	Pinnixa retinens	Arthropoda	Decapoda	Pinnotheridae
706	PINNSAYA	Pinnixa sayana	Arthropoda	Decapoda	Pinnotheridae
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711	CALLINEC	Callinectes spp.	Arthropoda	Decapoda	Portunidae
_		Carcinus maenas	Arthropoda	Decapoda	Portunidae
712			Arthropoda	Decapoda	Portunidae
713		Ovalipes spp.		Decapoda	Portunidae
714	PORTUNID	Portunidae	Arthropoda		Unidentified
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717	CERATFAM	Ceratopogonidae	Arthropoda	Diptera	Unidentified
718	DIPTERA	Diptera			Ephemeridae
724		Ephemeridae	Arthropoda	Ephemeroptera	Unidentified
760		Hydracarına	Arthropoda	Hydracarına	Unidentified
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762		Anthuridae	Arthropoda	Isopoda	Anthuridae
763		Cyathura spp.	Arthropoda	Isopoda	Anthuridae
764	CHIRIDOT	Chiridotea spp.	Arthropoda	Isopoda	Idoteidae
765		Erichsonella spp	Arthropoda	Isopoda	Idoteidae
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767	IDOTEIDA	Idoteidae	Arthropoda	Isopoda	Idoteidae
768	ISOPODA	Isopoda: Other	Arthropoda	Isopoda	Unidentified
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772	HETEFORM	Heteromysis formosa	Arthropoda	Mysidacea	Mysidae
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775	MYSIBIGE	Mysidopsis bigelowi	Arthropoda	Mysidacea	Mysidae
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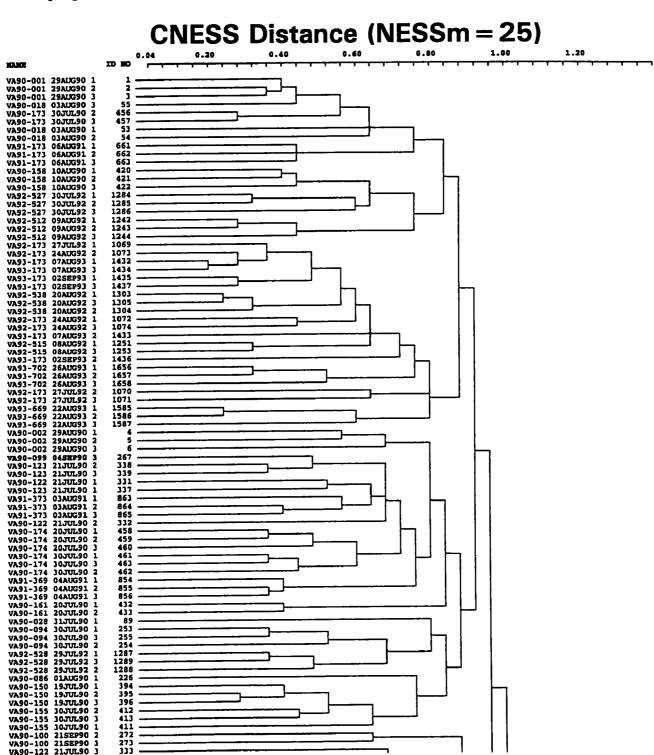
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		Turbicellopora dichotoma	Bryozoa	Bryozoa	Celleporinidae
667		Membranipora tenuis	Bryozoa	Bryozoa	Membraniporidae
668		Anguinella palmata	Bryozoa	Bryozoa	Nolellidae
669		Schizoporella unicornis	Bryozoa	Bryozoa	Schizoporellidae
670		Amathia vidovici	Bryozoa	Bryozoa	Vesiculariidae
671		Bostrichobranchus	Chordata	Ascidiacea	Molgulidae
618	MOLGAREN	Molgula arenata	Chordata	Ascidiacea	Molgulidae
619		Molgula manhattensis	Chordata	Ascidiacea	Molgulidae
620	PEROVIRI	Perophora viridis	Chordata	Ascidiacea	Perophoridae
621		Amaroucium stellatum	Chordata	Ascidiacea	Polyclinidae
622		Botryllus schlossen	Chordata	Ascidiacea	Styelidae
623		Cnemidocarpa mollis	Chordata	Ascidiacea	Styelidae
	ASCIDIAC	Ascidiacea	Chordata	Ascidiacea	Unidentified
624 673	BRANCARI	Branchiostoma caribaeum	Chordata	Cephalochordata	Branchiostomidae
	BRANVIRG	Branchiostoma caribaeum	Chordata	Cephalochordata	Branchiostomidae
672	PARARAPI	Paranthus rapiformis	Cnidaria	Anthozoa	Actinostolidae
615		Anthozoa	Cnidaria	Anthozoa	Unidentified
616	ASTERIAS	Asterias spp.	Echinodermata	Asteroidea	Asternidae
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627	ASTEROID	Echinodermata	Echinodermata	Echinodermata	Unidentified
719	ECHINODE	Arbacia punctulata	Echinodermata	Echinoidea	Arbacudae
720	ARBAPUNC	Echinarachnius parma	Echinodermata	Echinoidea	Echinarachnidae
721 722	ECHIPARM MELLQUIN	Mellita quinquiesperforata	Echinodermata	Echinoidea	Melliudae
723	ECHINOID	Echinoidea	Echinodermata	Echinoidea	Unidentified
759		Holothuroidea	Echinodermata	Holothuroidea	Unidentified
756	HEMICHOR	Hemichordata	Hemichordata	Hemichordata	Unidentified
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629		Anomia spp	Mollusca	Bivalvıa	Anomidae
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642		Crenella spp.	Mollusca	Bivalvıa	Mytılidae
643		Geukensia demissa	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Mytılidae
644		Ischadium recurvum	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Mytılidae
	MODIOLUS	Modiolus spp	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Myttlidae

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646		Musculus niger	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Mytilidae
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650		Nuculanidae	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Nuculanidae
651	1,2 2 1	Nucula spp.	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Nuculidae
652		Pectunidae	Mollusca		Pectinidae
653		Barnea truncata	Mollusca		Pholadidae
654		Pholadidae	Moliusca	Bivalvia	Pholadidae
655		Solecurtidae	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Solecurtidae
656	00220	Tagelus spp.	Mollusca		Solecurtidae
657		Solenidae	Moilusca		Solenidae
658		Tellinidae	Mollusca		Tellinidae
659		Thracudae	Mollusca		Thracudae .
-	1111110110	Thyasiridae	Mollusca		Thyasındae
660		Bivalvia. Other - Deposit			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
661	BIVALDEP	Feeders	Mollusca	Bıvalvıa	Unidentified
		Bivalvia: Other -	Mollusca	Bivalvia Castropoda Gastropoda	Unidentified
662	BIVALSUS	Suspension Feeders	Mionusca	DIVAIVIA	
663	BIVALVIA	Bıvalvıa: Other - Unıdentified	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Unidentified
664	UNIONIDA	Unionidae	Mollusca	Bivalvia	Unionidae
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726	CAECIDAE	Caecidae	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Caecidae
727	CAECUM	Caecum spp.	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Caecidae
728		Crepidula convexa	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Calyptraeidae
729		Crepidula convexa-fornicata complex	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Calyptraeidae
730	CREPFORN	Crepidula fornicata	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Calyptracidae
731		Crepidula maculosa	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Calyptraeidae
732	CREPPLAN	Crepidula plana	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Calyptraeidae
733	CREPIDUL	Crepidula spp.	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Calyptracidae
734		Anachis spp.	Mollusca		Columbellidae
735	COLUMBLD		Mollusca	Gastropoda	Columbellidae
736	CYLICHNE	Cylichnella spp	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Cylichnidae
737		Epitonium spp.	Mollusca	Gastropoda ·	Epitoniidae
738	CRATENA	Cratena spp.	Mollusca		Facelinidae
739	HYDROBIA	Hydrobia spp.	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Hydrobiidae
740	HYDROBII	Hydrobiidae	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Hydrobudae
741		Lymnacidae	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Lymnaeidae
742	NASSARIU	Nassarius spp.	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Nassarudae
743	NATICA	Natica spp.	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Naticidae
744	NATICIDA	Naticidae	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Naticidae
745	NUDIBRAN	Nudibranchia	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Nudibranchia
746	PLANORBI	Planorbidae	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Planorbidae
747	FARGOA	Fargoa spp.	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Pyramidellidae
748	ODOSTOMI	Odostomia spp.	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Pyramidellidae
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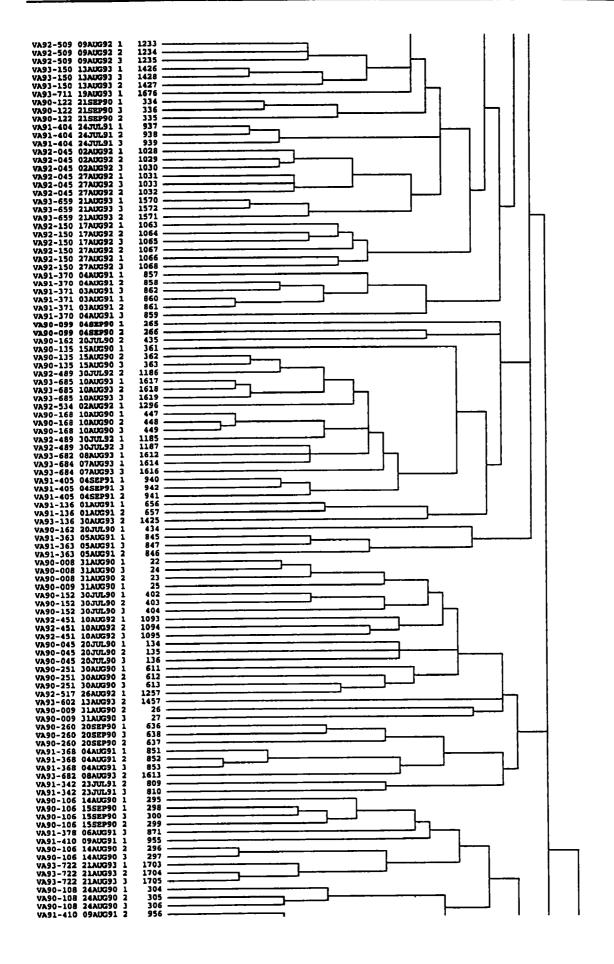
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753		Gastropoda: Other	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Unidentified	
754		Vitrinellidae	Moilusca	Gastropoda	Vitrinellidae	
755		Viviparidae	Mollusca	Gastropoda	Viviparidae	
858		Chaetopleura apiculata	Mollusca	Polyplacophora	Chaetopleuridae	
859		Polyplacophora	Mollusca	Polyplacophora	Unidentified	
778	NEMATODA		Nematoda	Nematoda	Unidentified	
864		Turbellaria	Platyhelminthe	Turbellaria	Unidentified	
860		Porifera	Porifera	Porifera	Unidentified	
000	Taxa in the EMAP-E Species List but not present					
868	NAISCOMM	Nais communis	Annelida	Oligochaeta	Naididae	
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867		Hiatella arctica	Mollusca	Bıvalvıa	Hiatellidae	

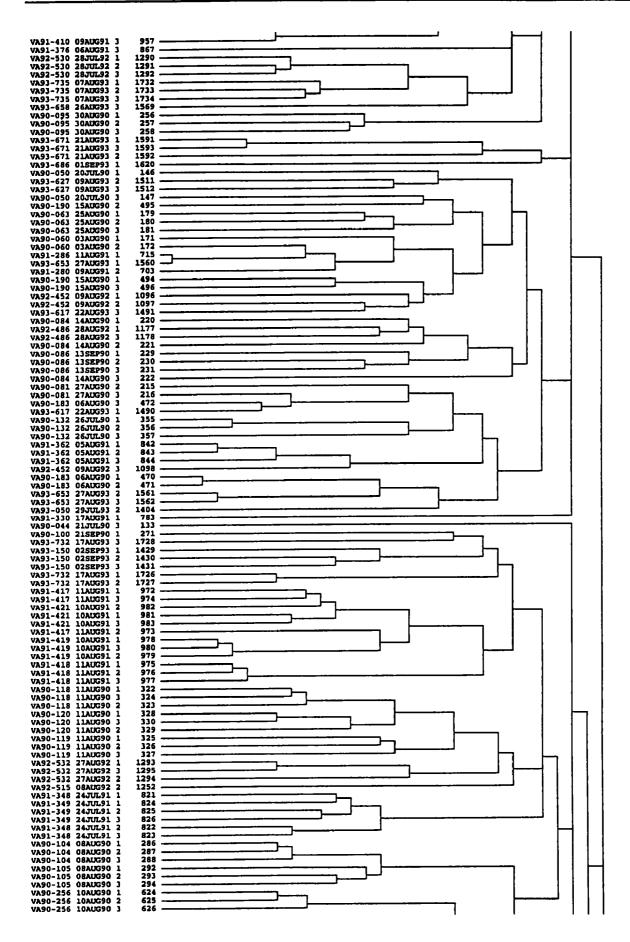
APPENDIX IV SAMPLE CLUSTER ANALYSIS

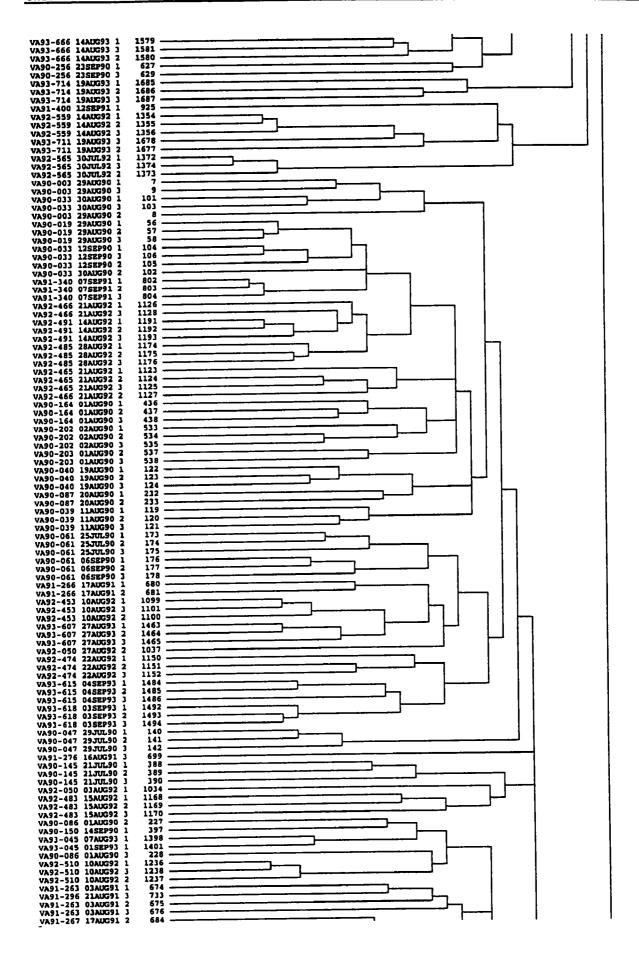
A cluster analysis of the 1918-sample EMAP-E VP benthic data at CNESS (CNESS, m=25, UPGMA Sorting). All samples with fewer than 25 individuals were dropped (a requirement with a random sample size of 25). The pared data set consisted of 1736 samples and 466 species. New Bedford Harbor STA 099, a degraded estuarine station (Schimmel et al. 1993, Table B-2) is bolded. This degraded EMAP-E VP sampling site exhibits considerable variation among months and years.

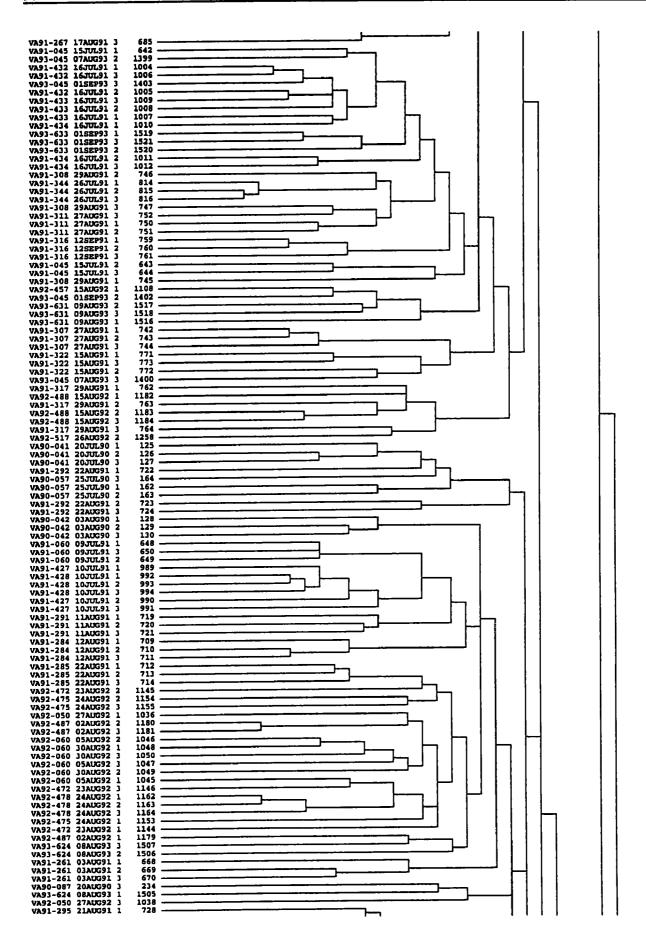


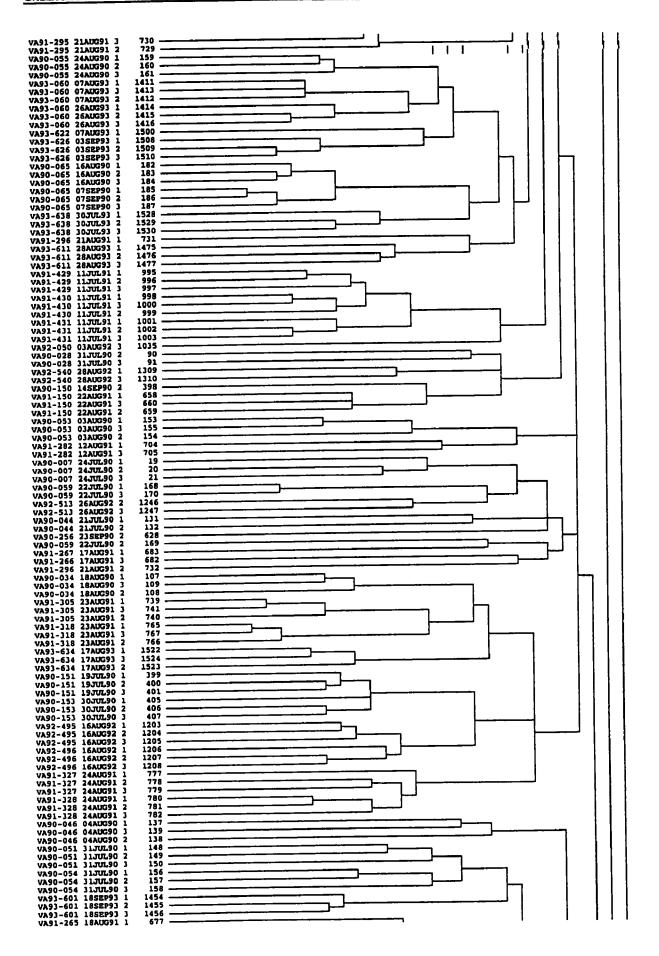
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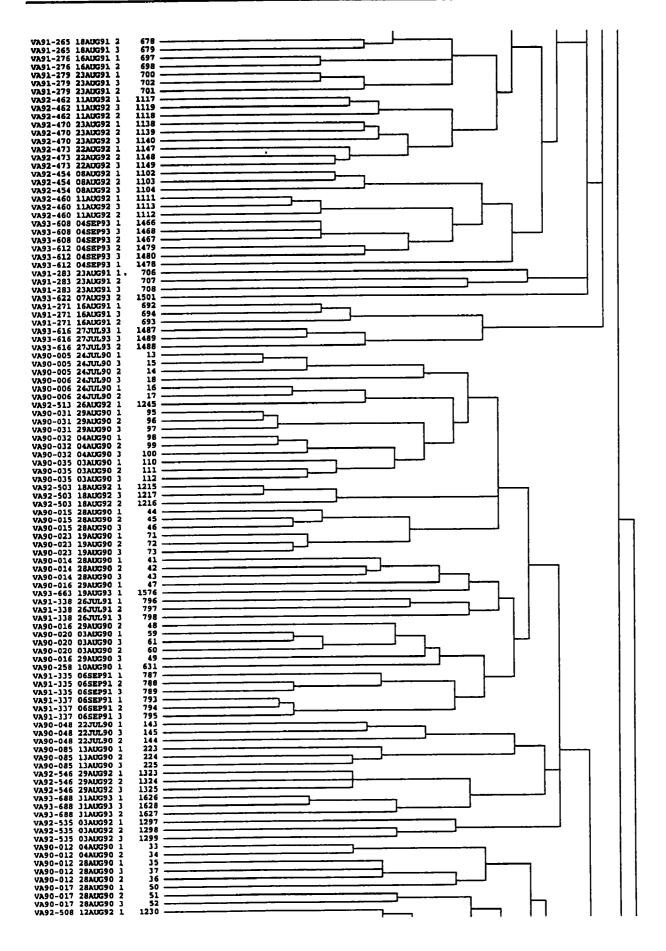


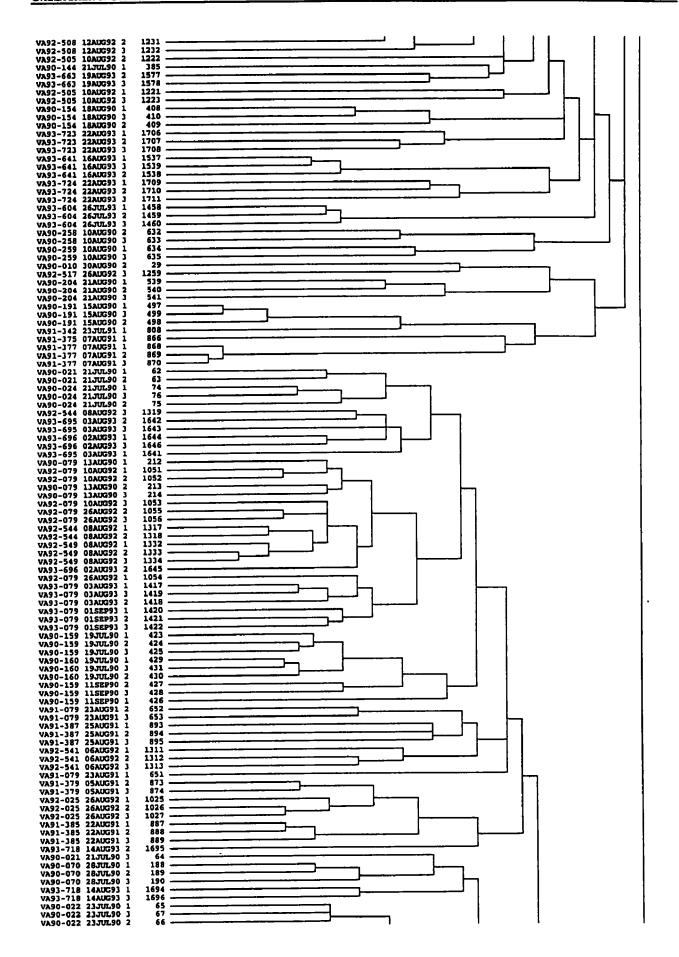


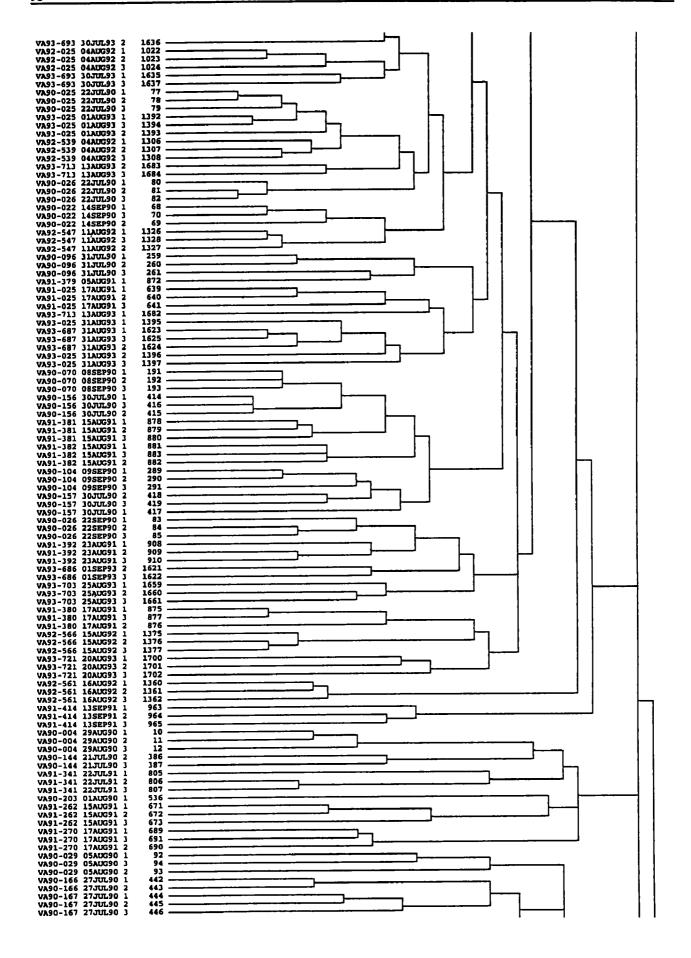




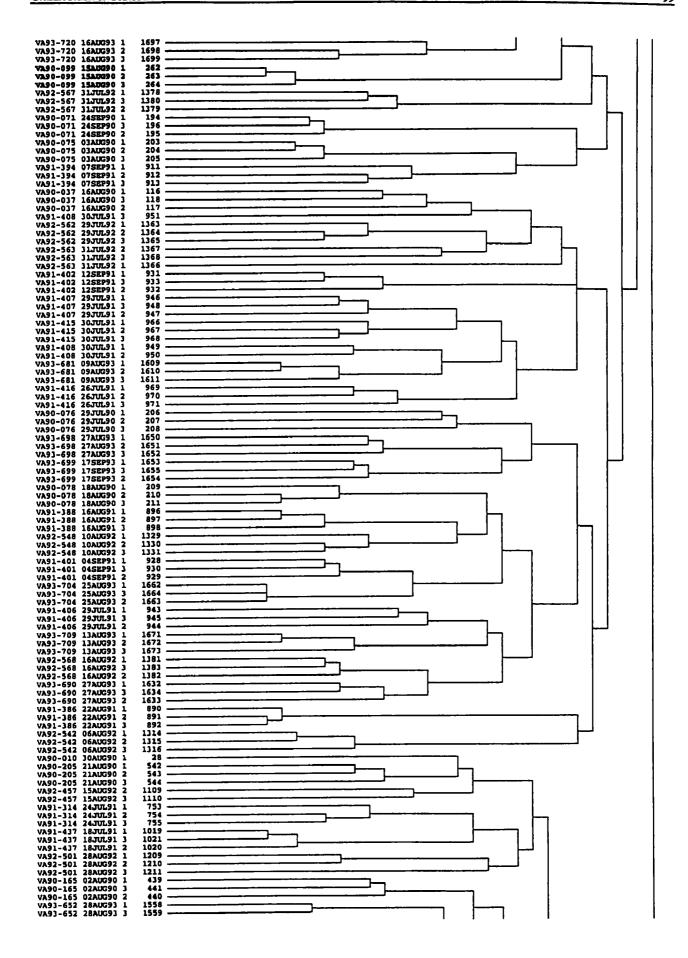


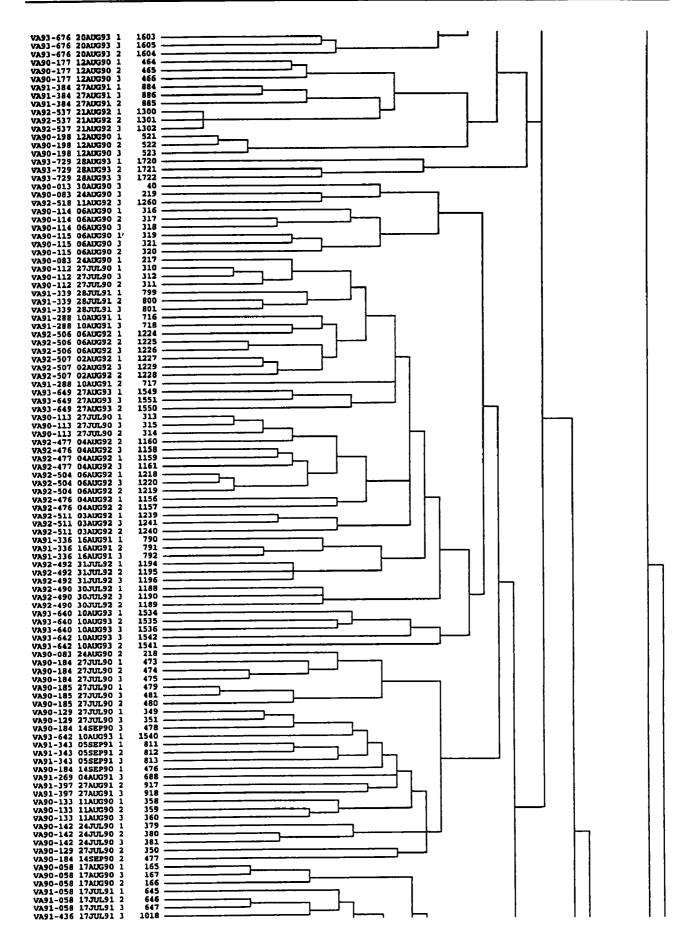


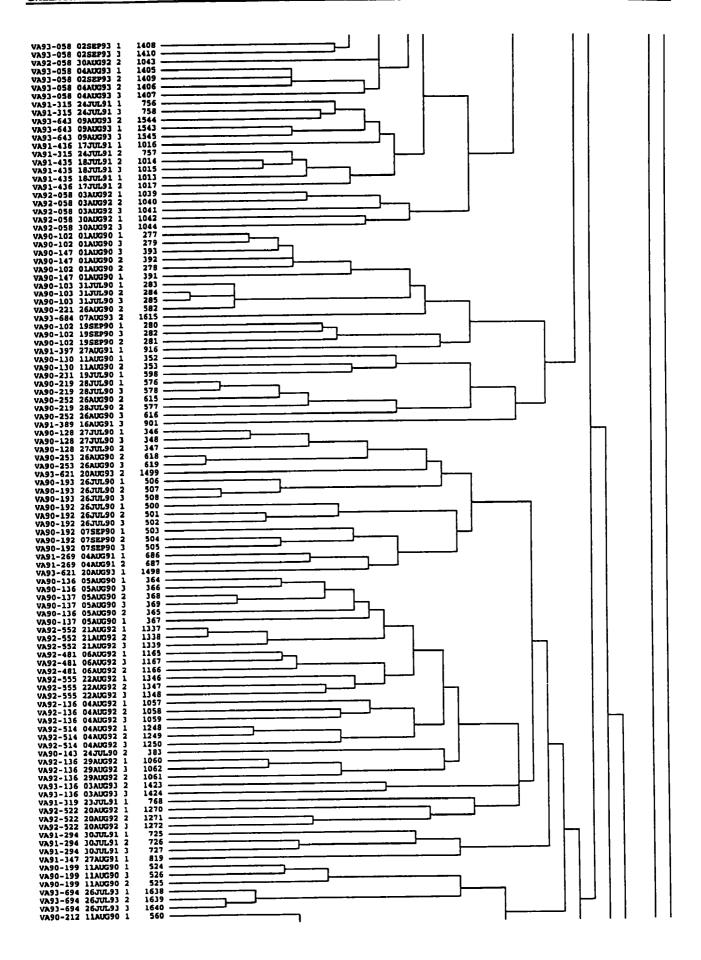


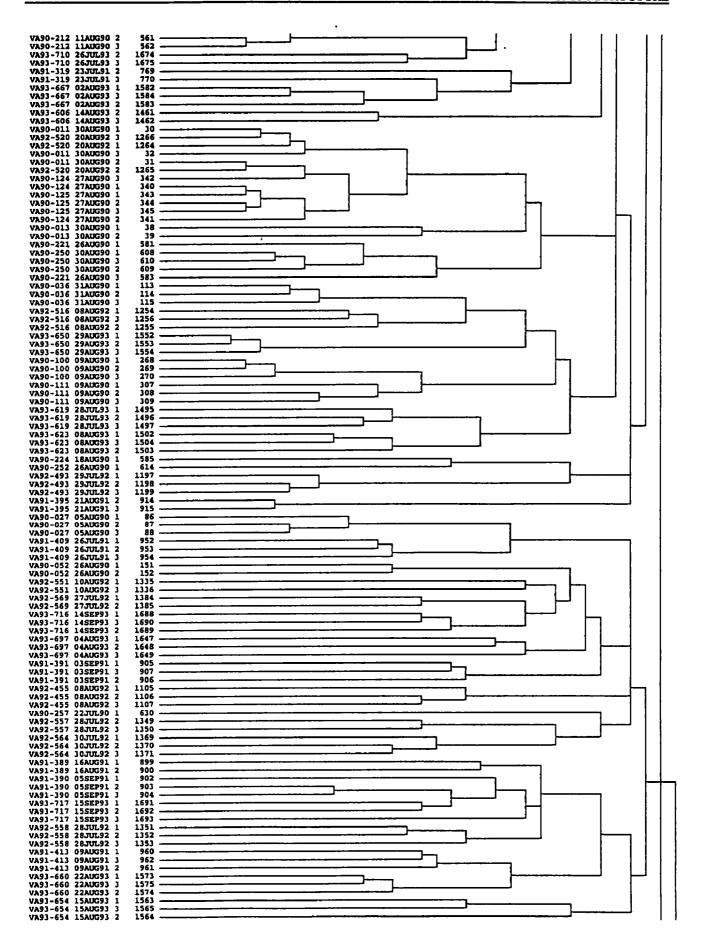


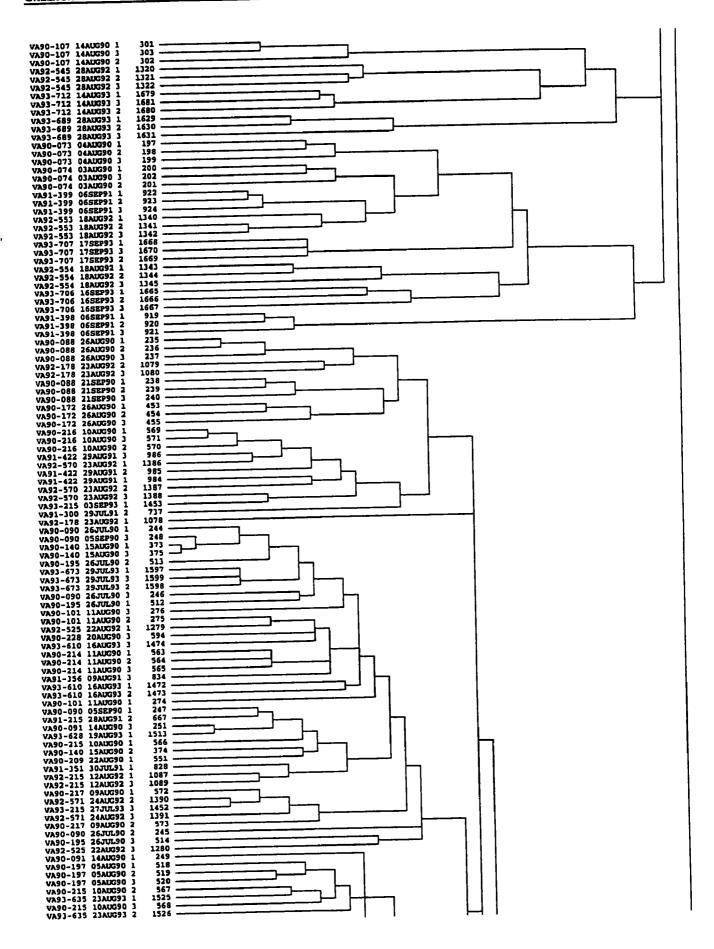
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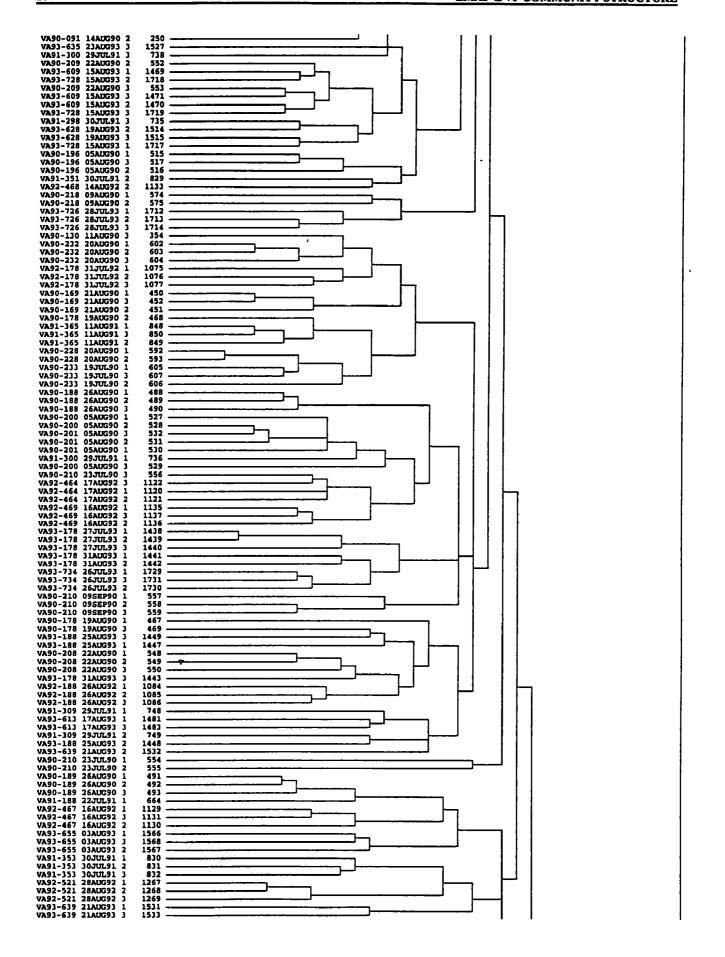


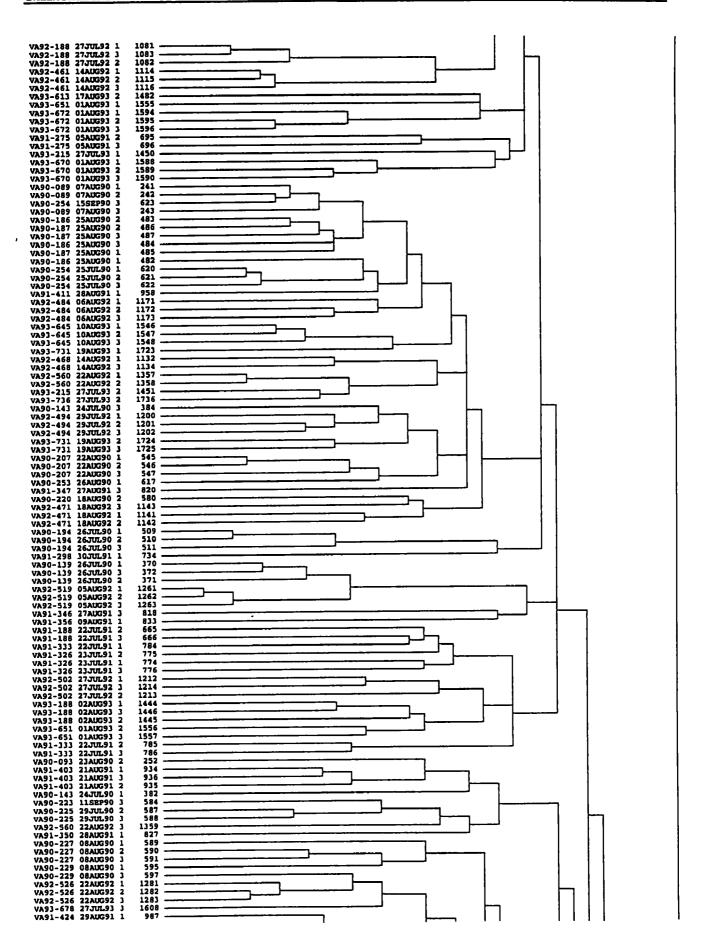


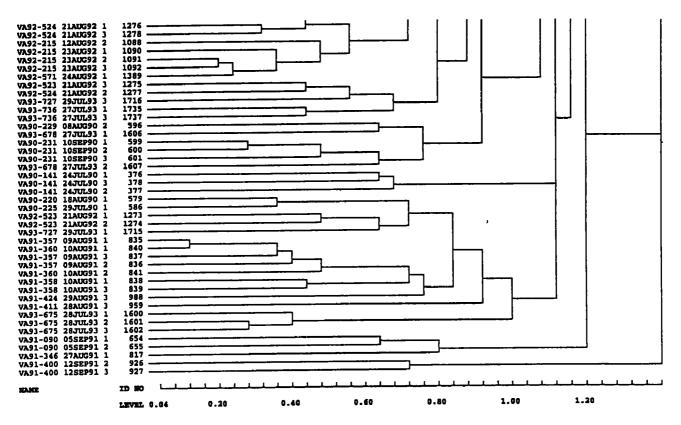










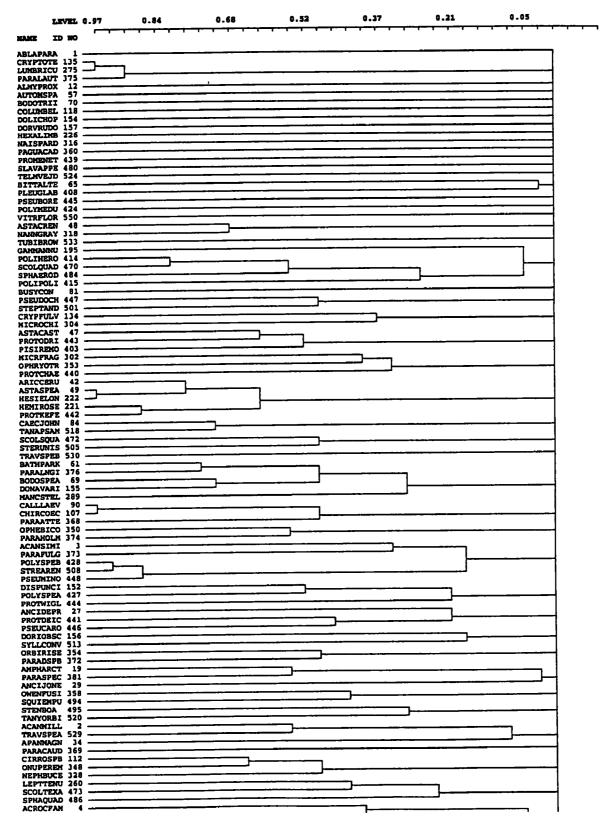


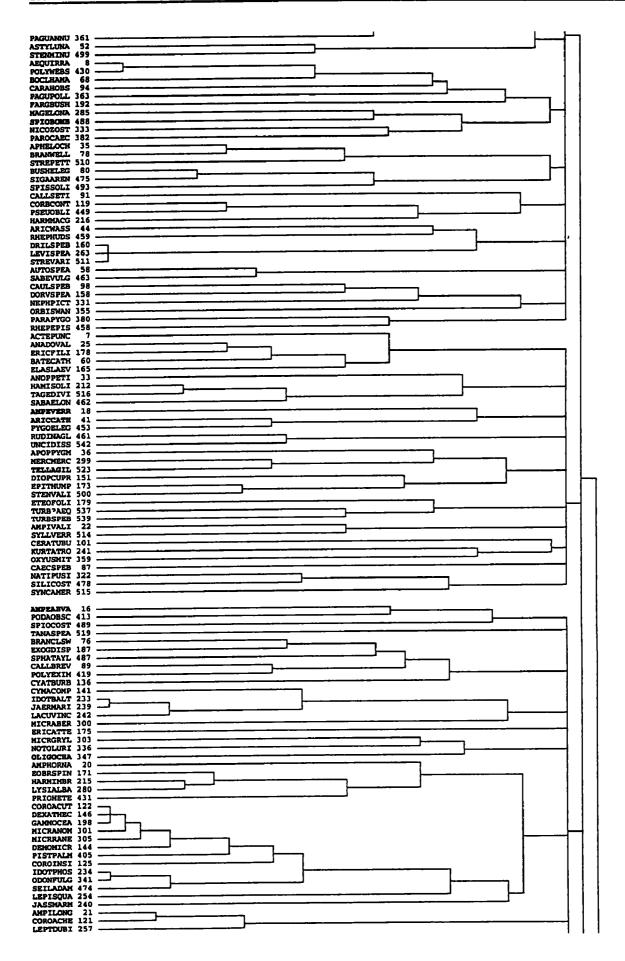
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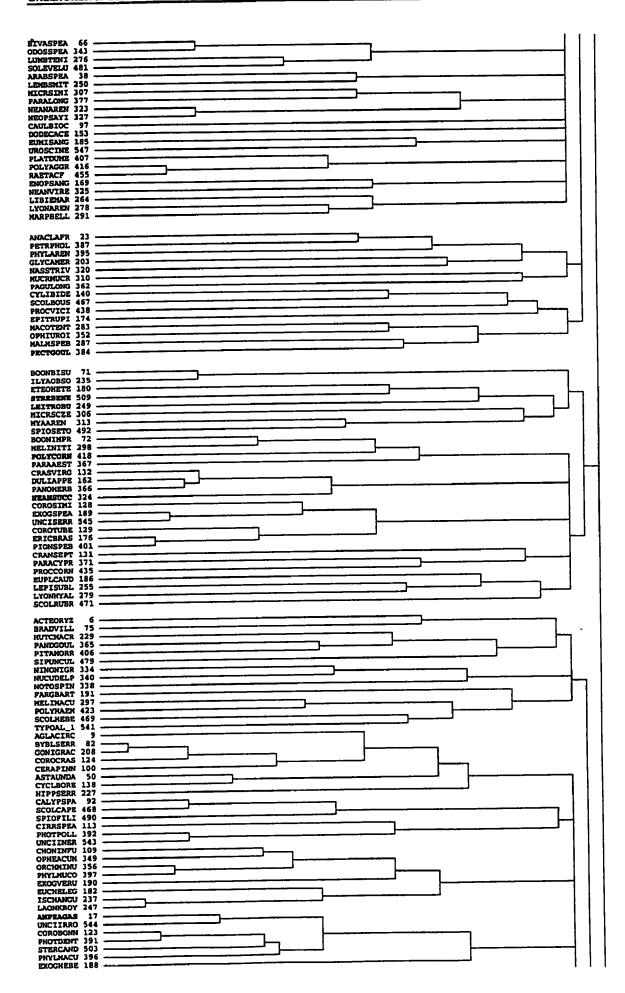
APPENDIX V SPECIES CLUSTERS FOR ALL 551 EMAP-E VP TAXA

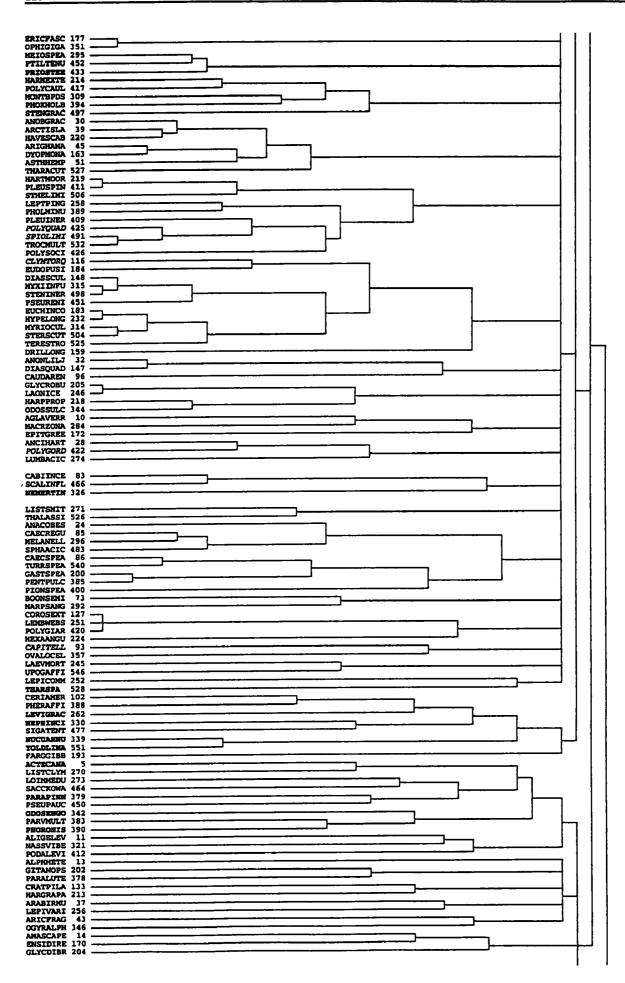
All EMAP-E VP taxa were clustered using the species-clustering methods described in Trueblood *et al.* (1994). Species are clustered using single linkage clustering of $\cos \theta$, where θ is the angle between pairs of species vectors in the Gabriel covariance biplot (Figure 15).

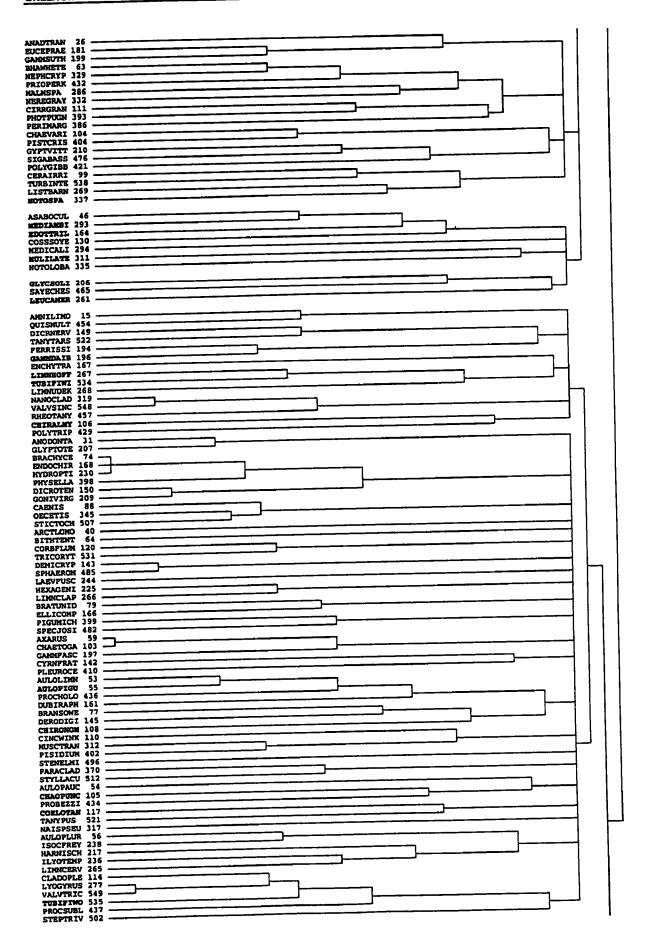
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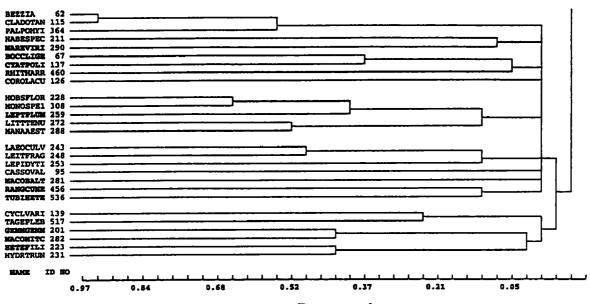












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