



Using the NeCTAR research cloud to develop national on-line services to annotate and analyse underwater imagery: SQUIDLE+ and GlobalArchive







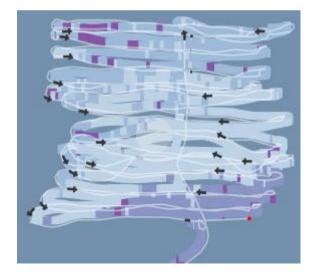
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## Why is imagery important?

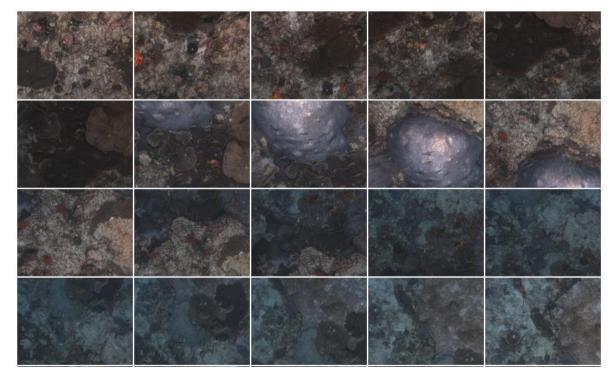
- Imagery fast becoming a tool of choice of State of Environment Reporting
- Enables fast, 'cheap' repeat sampling to assess health of area
- World-wide interest in its use
- Video == BIG DATA, laborious workflow, mostly desktop
- Because mostly desktop, sharing is difficult
- Cloud can address this and improve efficiency and uptake

### **IMOS** Autonomous Underwater Vehicle





30,000 Stereo images of benthos in typically 50m x 50m square



## Stereo BRUV data collection



Deploying the BRUV Baited Remote Underwater Video

Deployments typically last an hour Aim: identify local fish population



## Australian Community Cloud funded by Nectar



Marine Sciences Cloud – IMOS, Ecosystems Science Cloud – TERN, Biosciences Cloud – Bioplatforms Australia

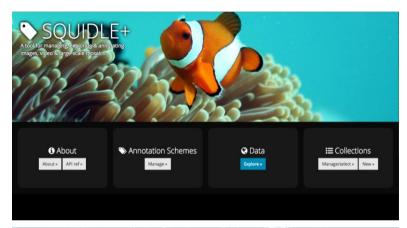
#### Marine Sciences Cloud has two components:

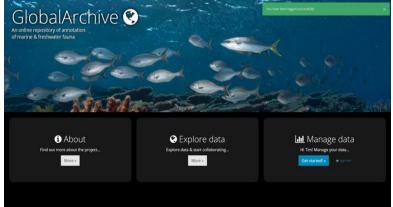
## National services to annotate and analyse underwater imagery by leveraging existing software initiatives:

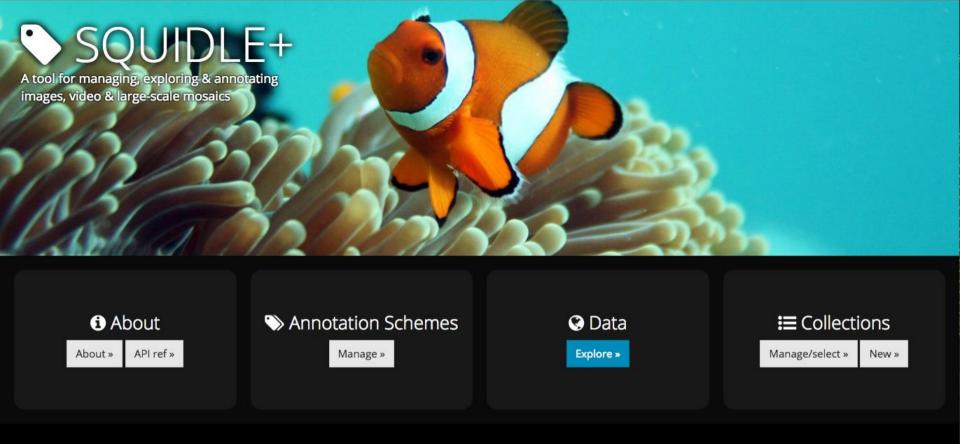
- Squidle+: exploration, management and annotation of georeferenced images & video
- GlobalArchive: exploration, sharing and querying of annotation data

## Virtual desktop support for marine and climate scientists

- Researchers can run analyses using a suite of online graphical and scripting tools (eg: Jupyter notebook, QGIS Browser, Rstudio, Panoply)
- Links to data repositories







Developed & maintained by Ariell Friedman (Greybits Engineering) With support from SOI, IMOS and the Nectar Science Cloud

## Key features of SQUIDLE+

#### Flexible data storage:

Sync with existing data storage infrastructure (i.e.: data linked from AODN). Avoids needing to copy and duplicate data. Takes minutes instead of days to import data into the system.

#### Flexible, translatable annotation schemes:

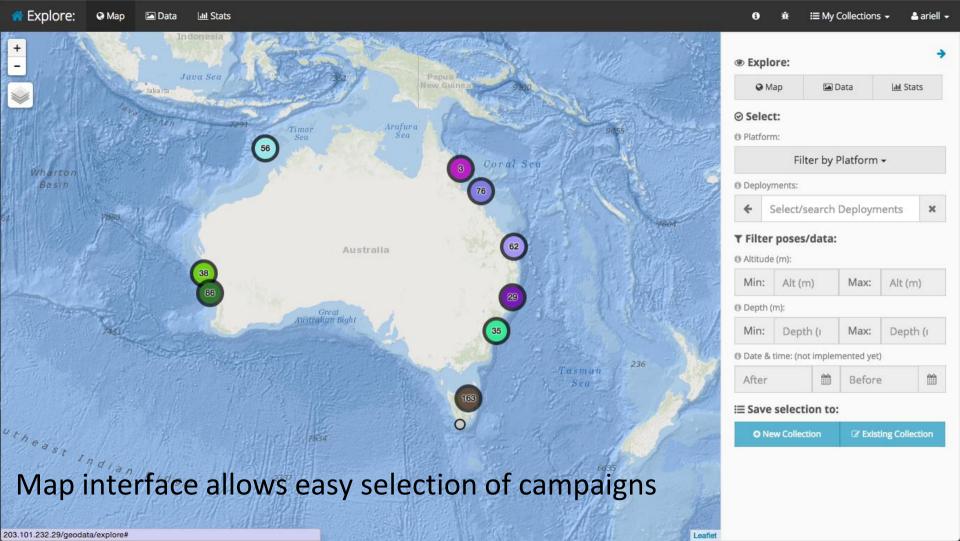
Users can define their own annotation schemes or select from existing ones, and can translate between them meaning all annotations can be viewed in a unified consistent framework

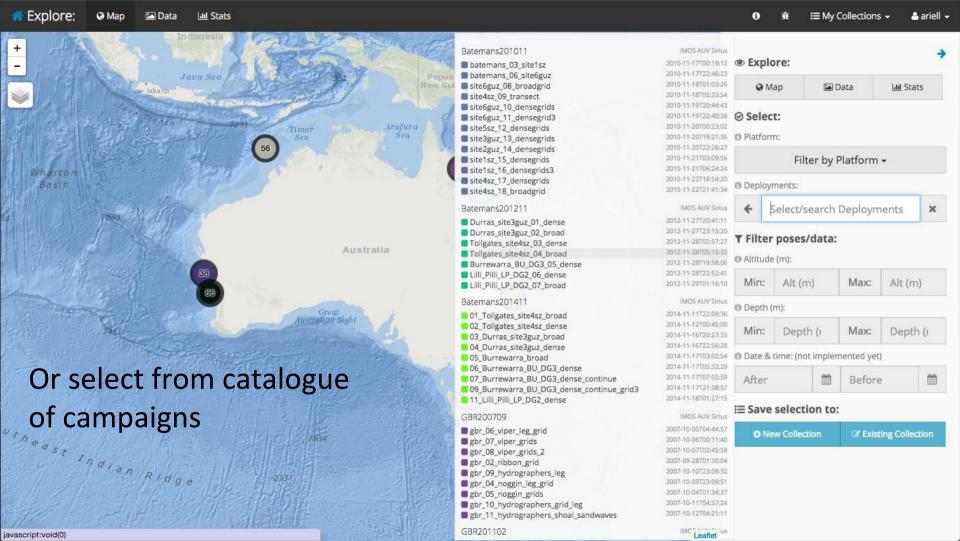
#### Collaborative / automated labeling

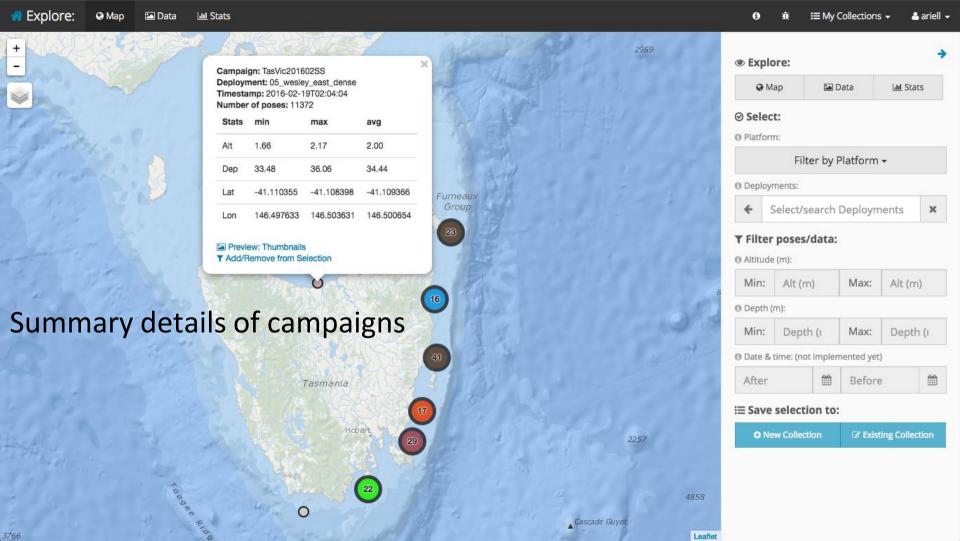
Data can be annotated by different users with different skill levels and automated algorithms can be called upon to speed up the annotation process.

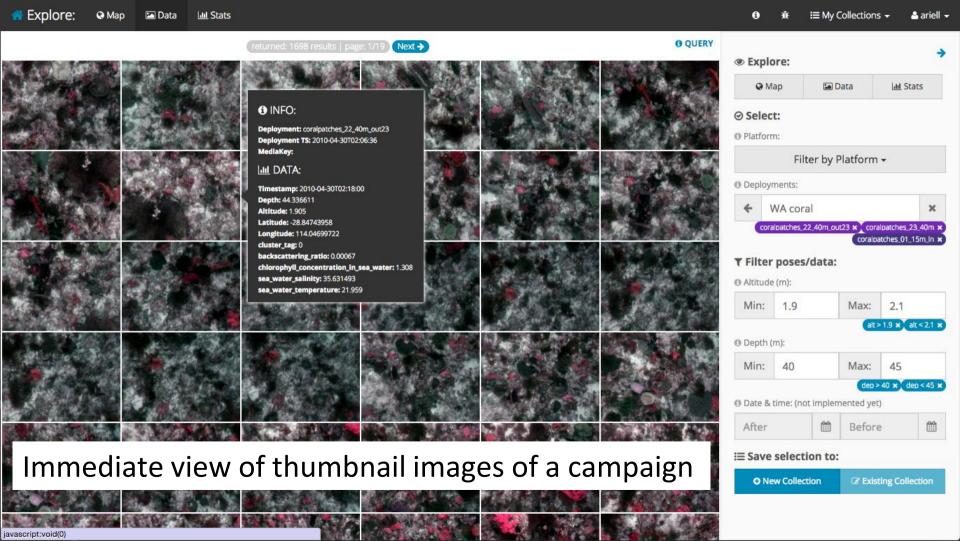
#### "Media object" annotation

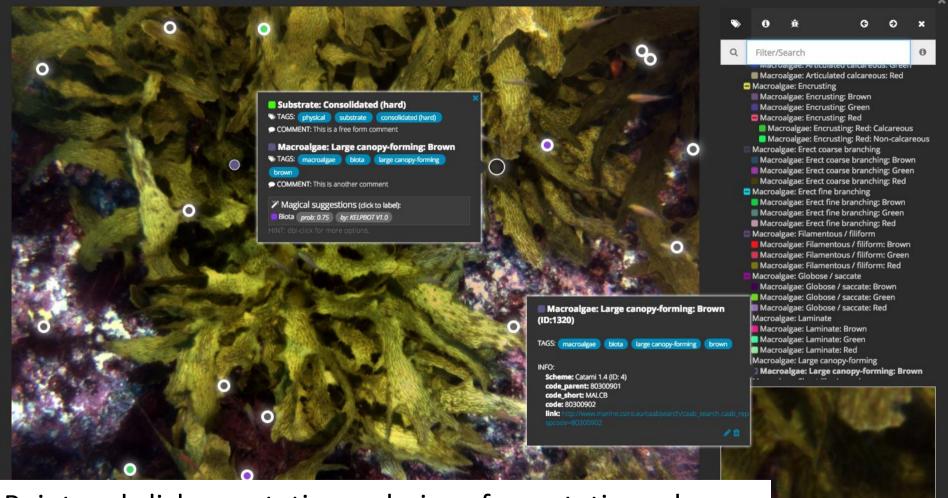
Images, videos, mosaics, etc can all be annotated using the same consistent framework.



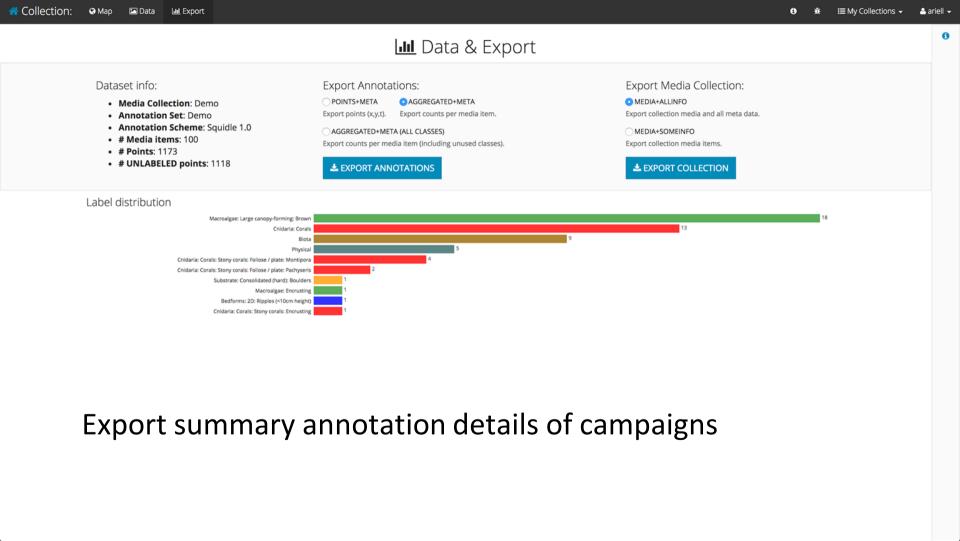


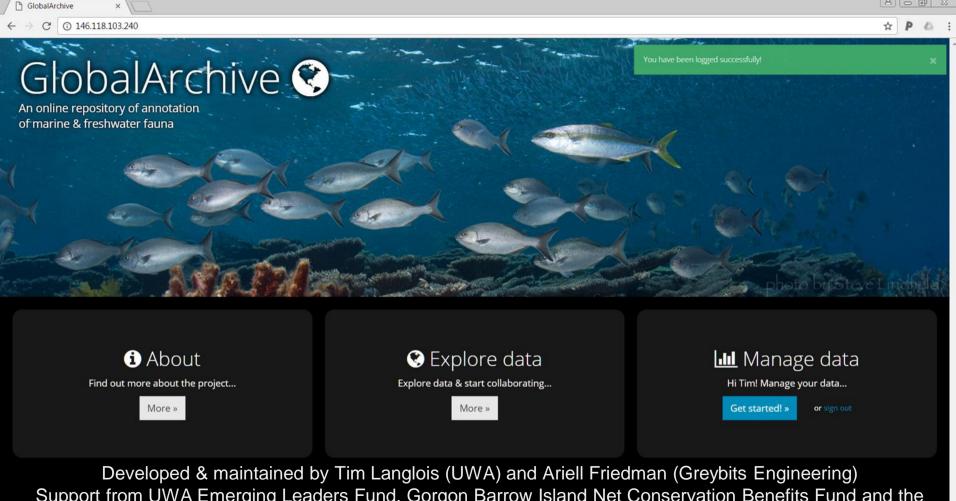






Point and click annotation – choice of annotation schemes

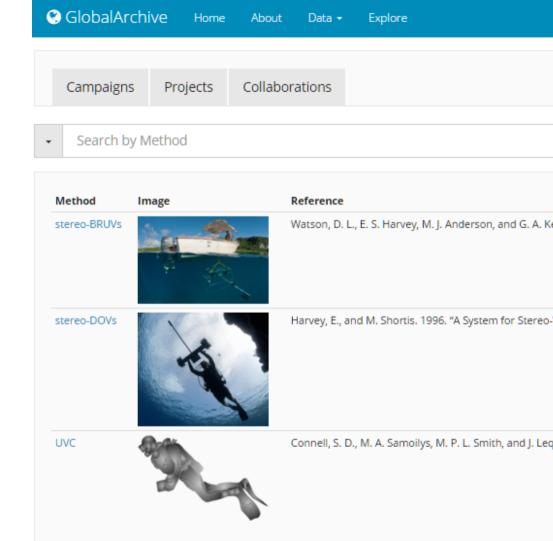




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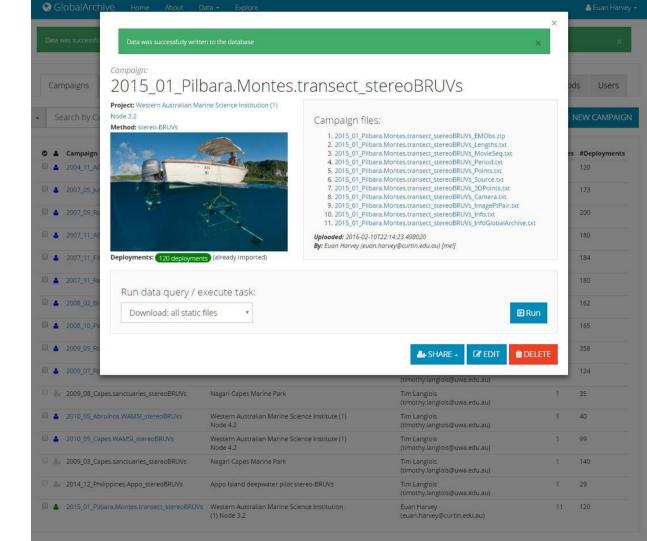
Flexible import of datasets from any sampling method





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Direct import from leading stereo annotation software (SeaGIS - EventMeasure)



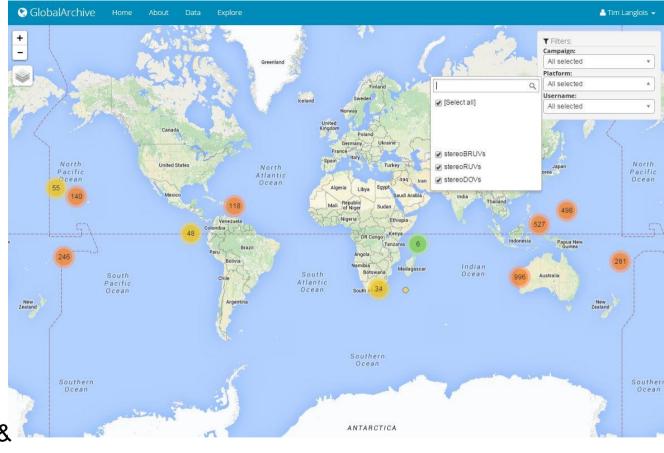
## GlobalArchive

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Working with other annotation initiatives to ensure data transferability & interoperability

(GlobalFinPrint) FinPrint

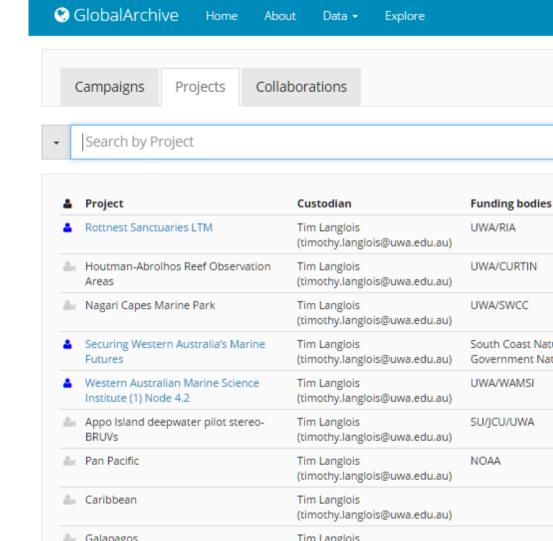


22,000 BRUVs worldwide, https://globalfinprint.org/



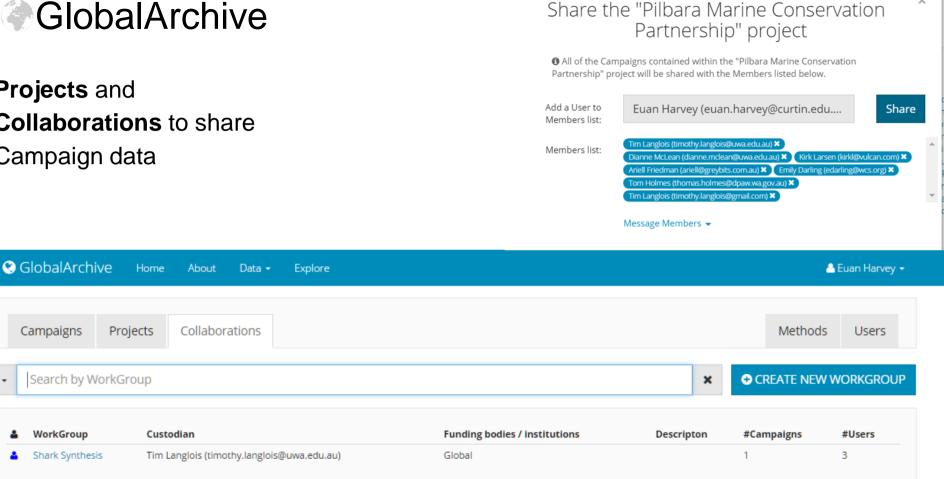
Organisation of multiple Campaigns by Projects

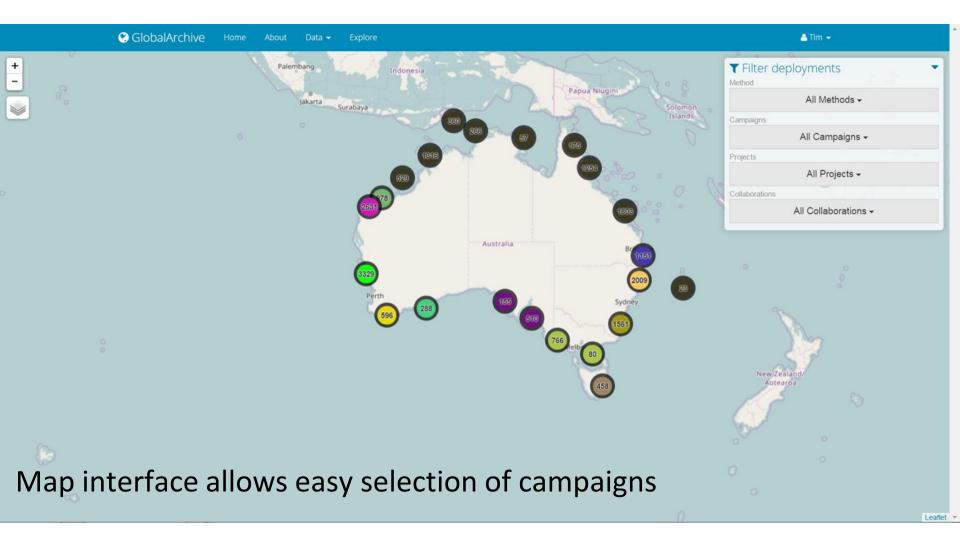
With option to make data sets **Open Access** 

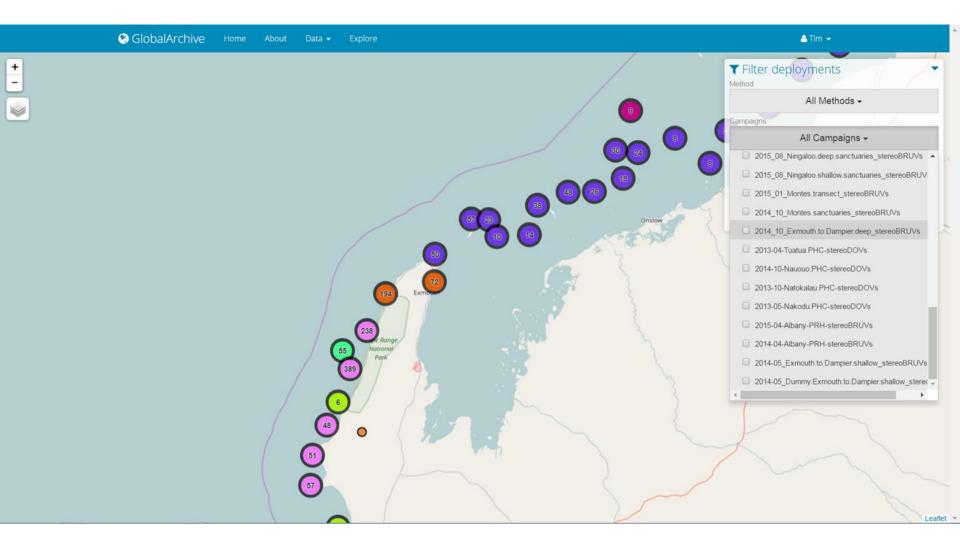


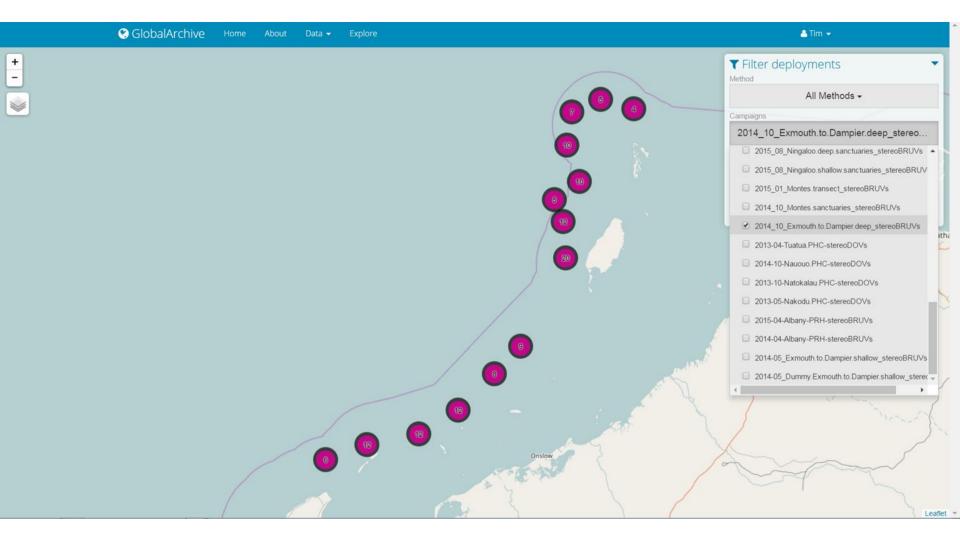


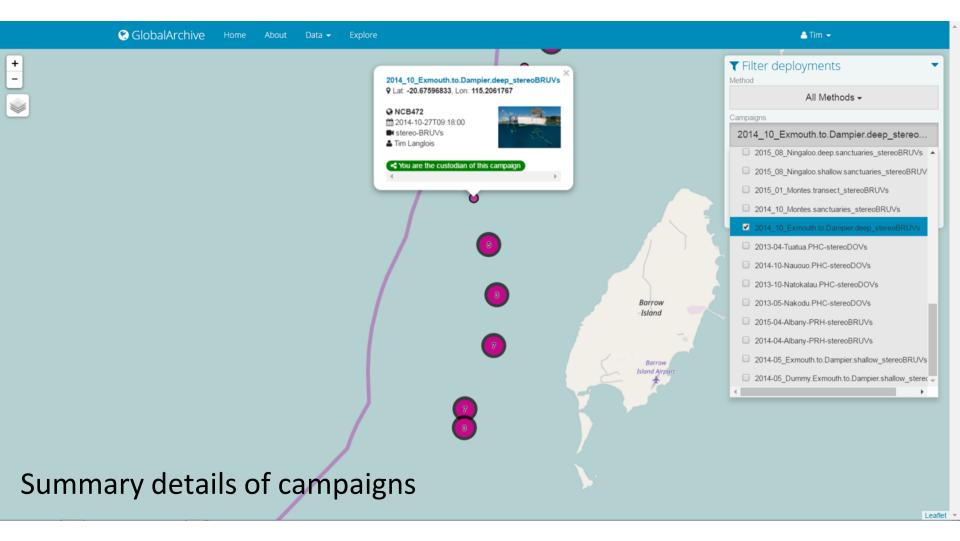
**Projects** and Collaborations to share Campaign data







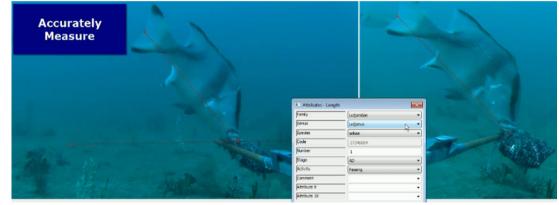


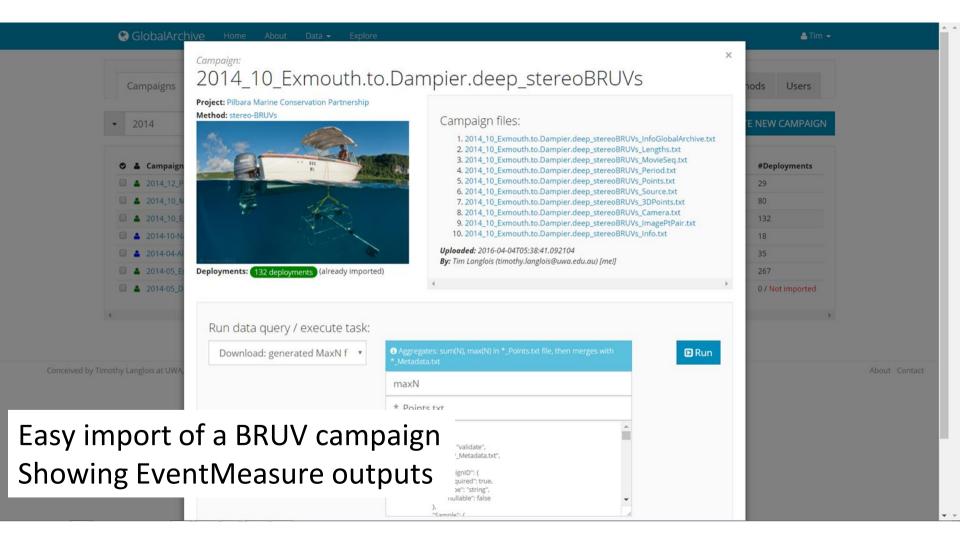


# BRUV analysis... What does EventMeasure enable you to do?

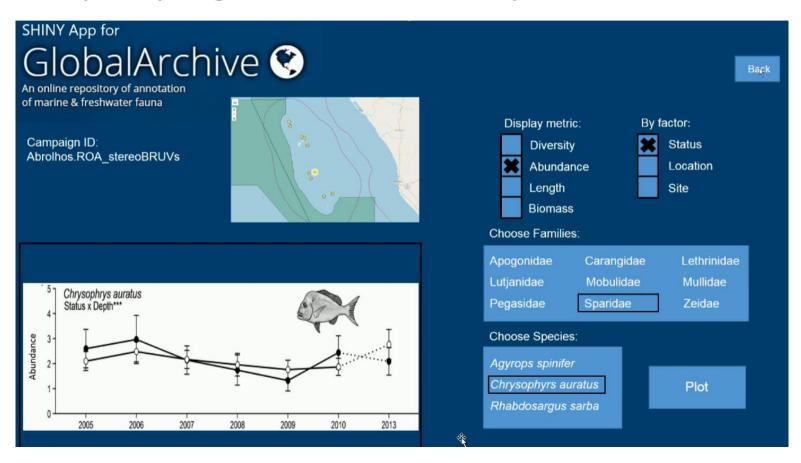




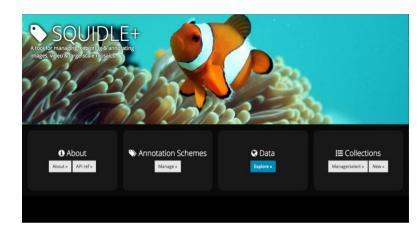


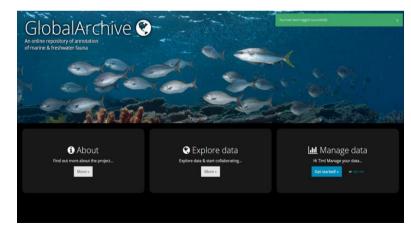


## Example 'plug-in' tool for analysis of annotations

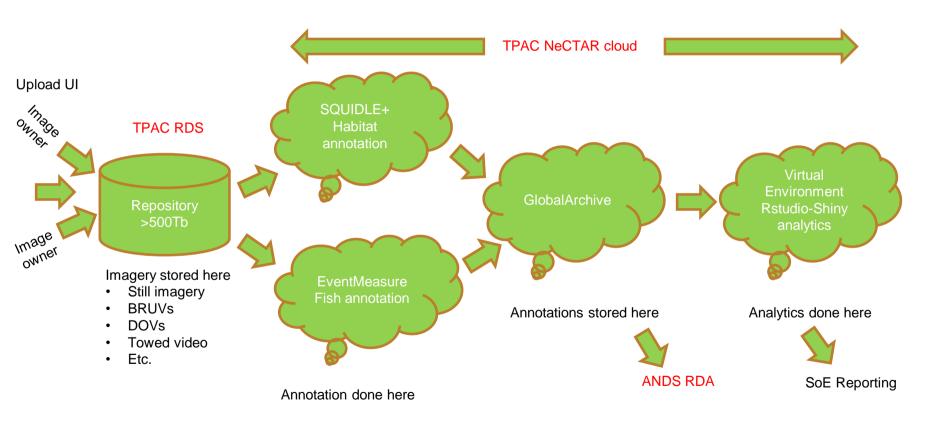


## What next?





## The National Service for Underwater Imagery



Marine Research Data Cloud (ANDS-NeCTAR-RDS)

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