



# Remote Sensing of Environmental Vibrio in the Chesapeake Bay

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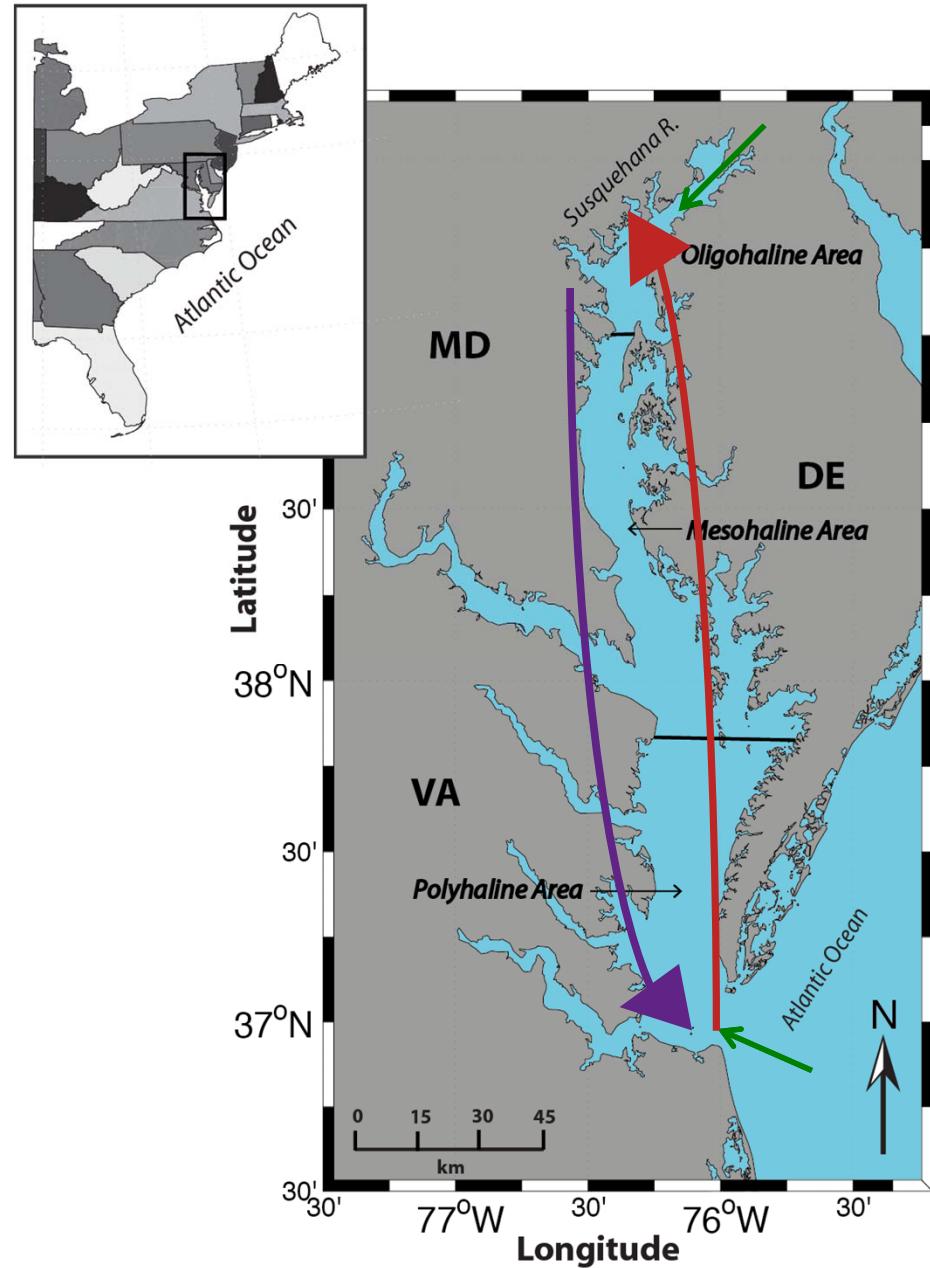
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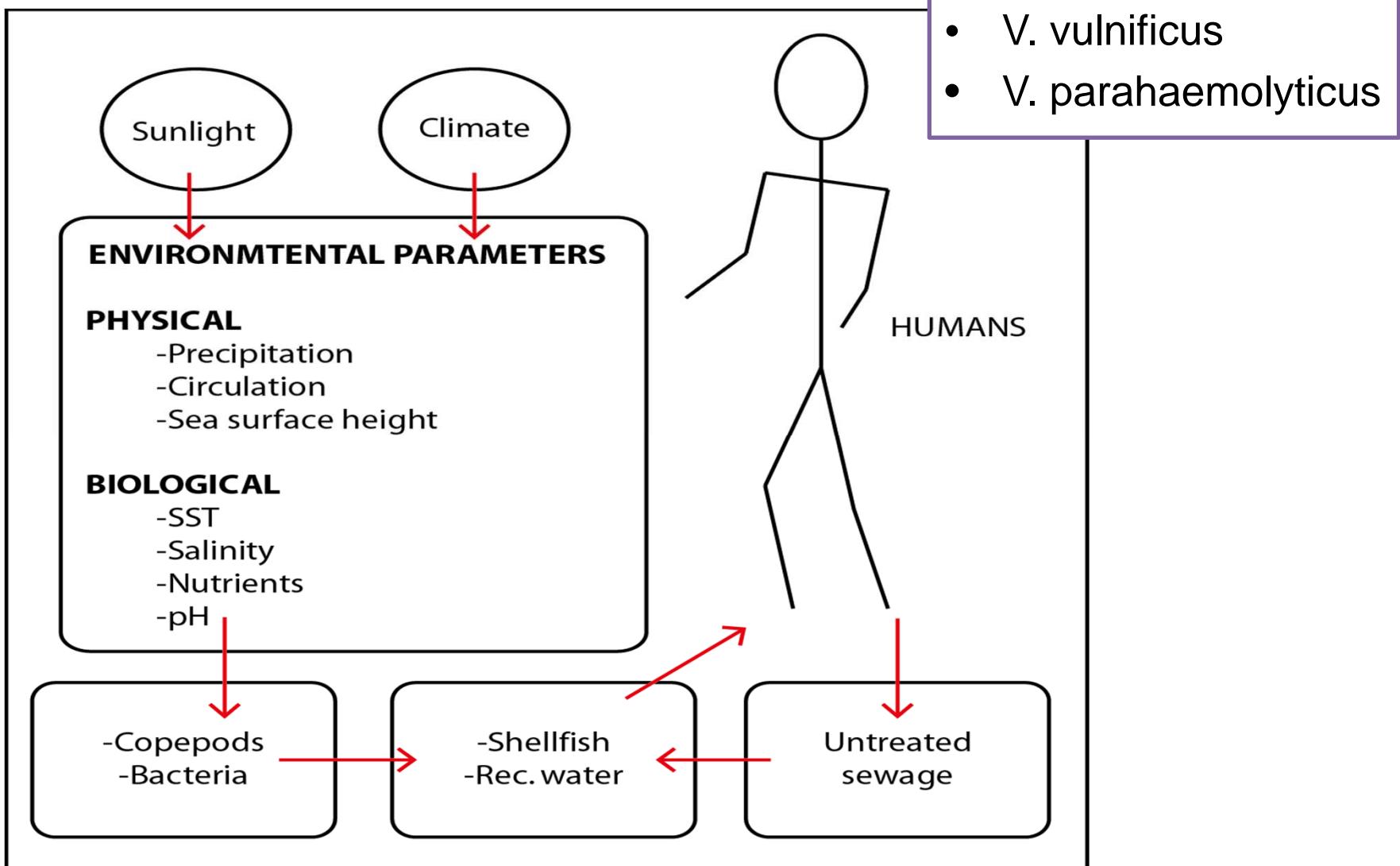
# Study Area

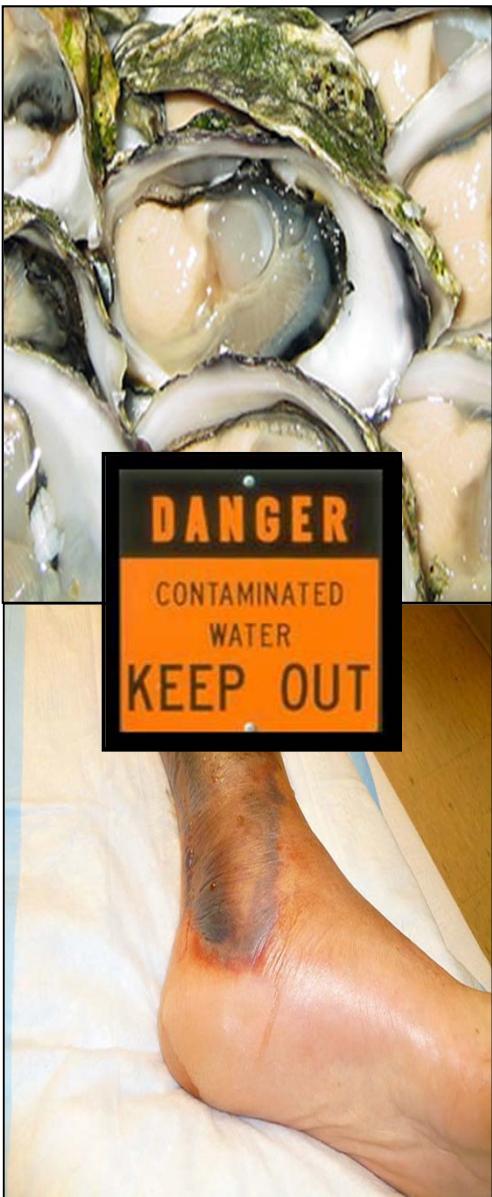
## (The Chesapeake Bay)

- **Salinity gradient**
  - Oligohaline (0-6 ppt)
  - Mesohaline (6-18 ppt)
  - Polyhaline (18-30+ ppt)
- **Sea surface temperature**
  - -0.5°C to 31°C
- **Major inputs**
  - Atlantic Ocean
  - Susquehana River
- **2-Layer gravitational circulation scheme**

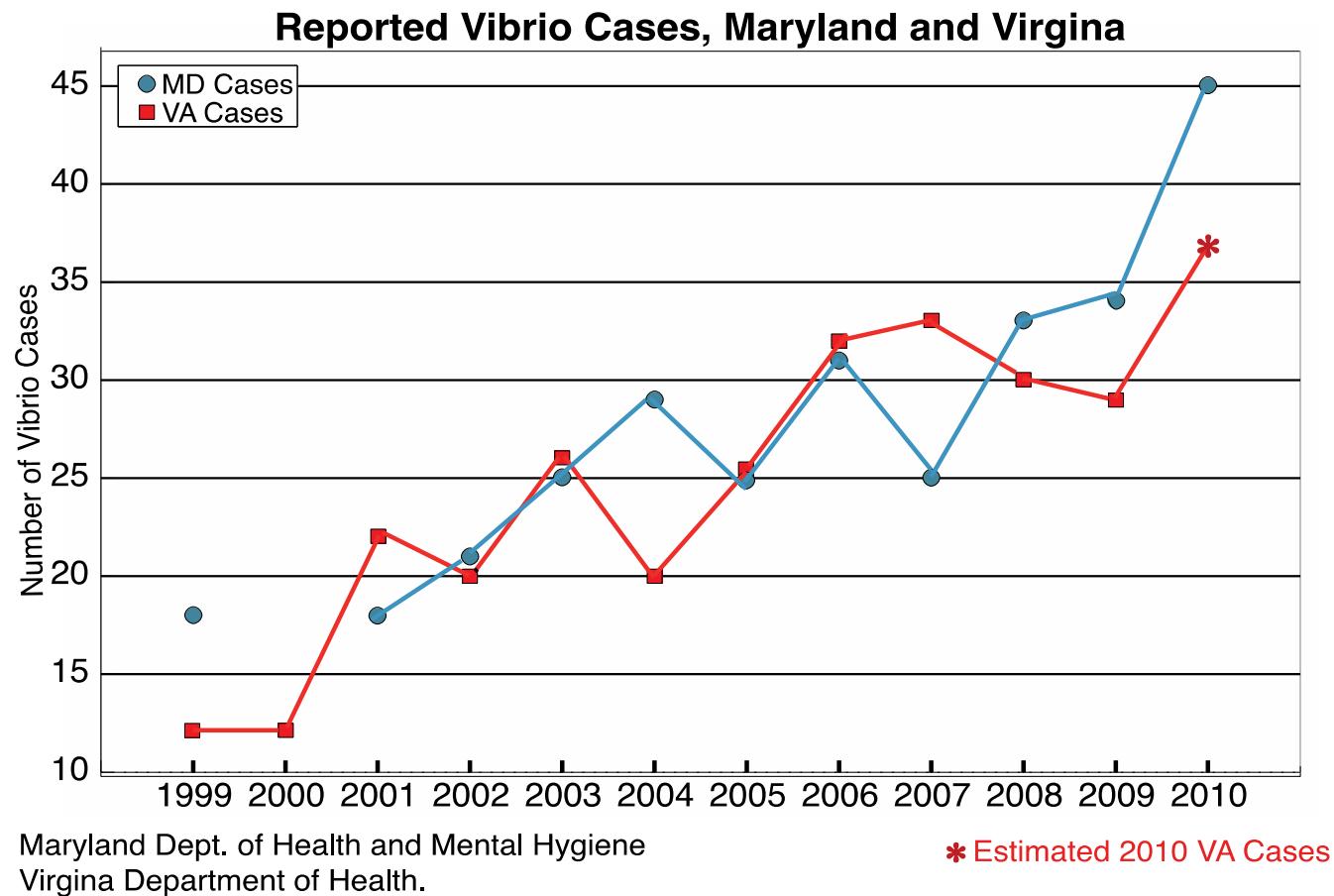


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# Pre-existing Empirical Vibrio Models

$$z(V.v) = -7.867 + (0.316 * \text{Temp}) + (-0.342 * (|\text{Saln} - 11.5|))$$

(Jacobs et al., 2010)

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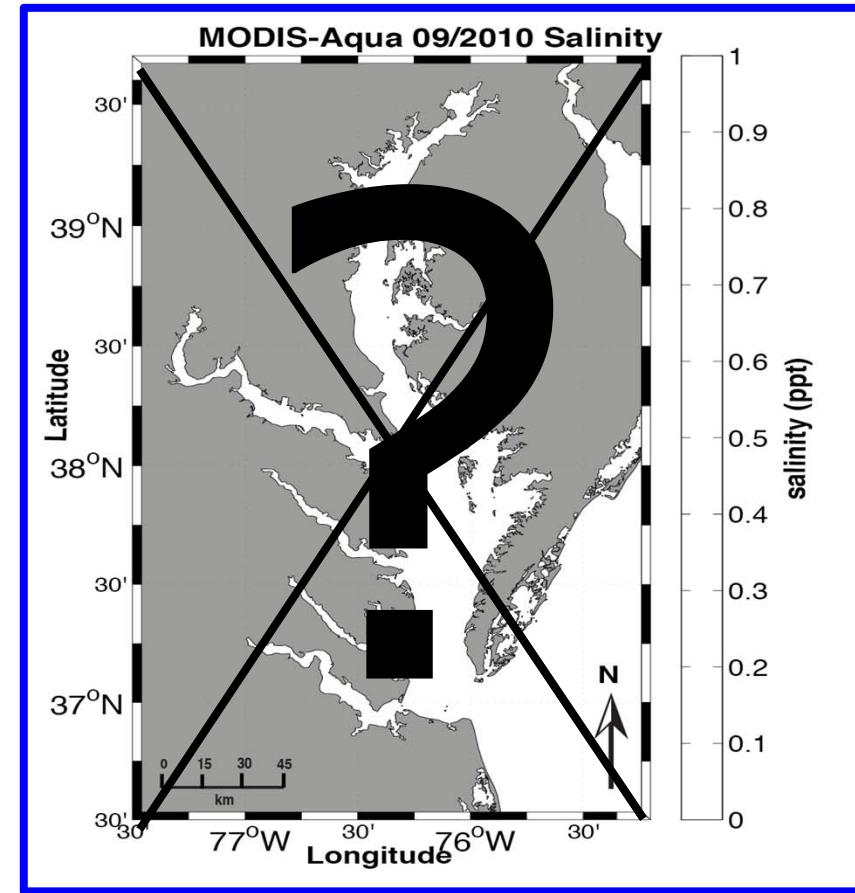
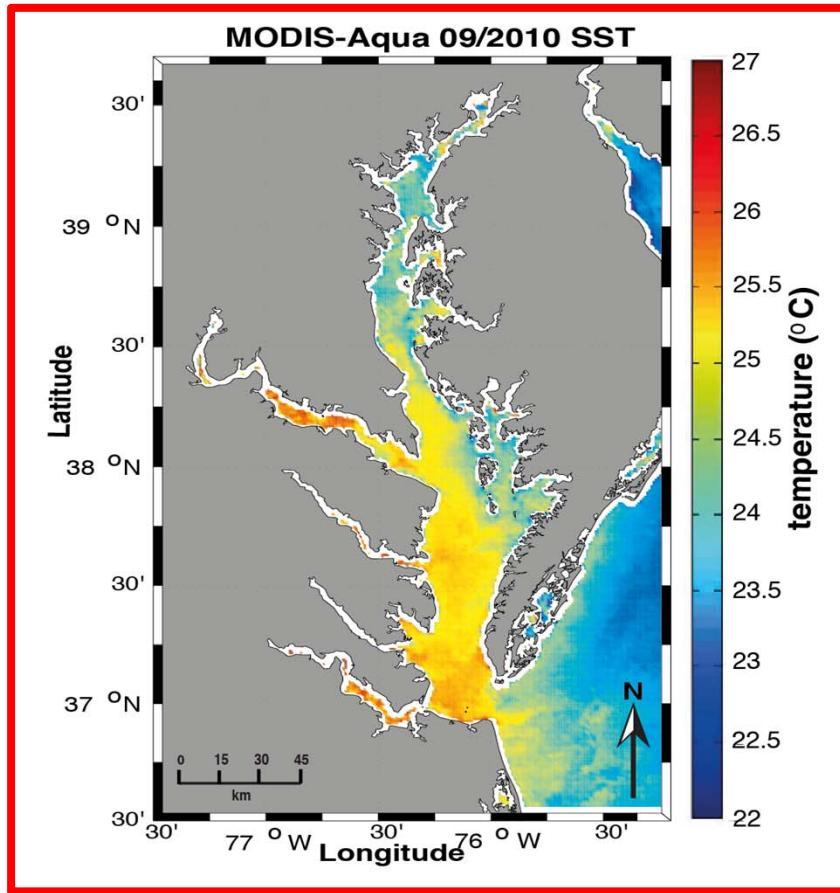
(Louis et al., 2003)

$$f(z) = e^z / (1 + e^z)$$

- **In situ and modeled** temperature and salinity inputs
- Probability of occurrence Vibrio spp. models
- Historical cruise (V.c) and CBay Program (V.v) bacteria collection

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# Remote Sensing of Sea Surface Salinity

- **NASA Aquarius Salinity Product**
  - 150 km spatial resolution
  - Monthly composites
- **Neural Network Salinity Product**
  - Geiger et al. (2011): UDEL
  - Statistically Derived from MODIS-Aqua Ocean Color
    - Additional RS input products
    - Trained on Mid-Atlantic region
    - Historical cruise data



# Satellite Based Salinity Algorithms

## - MODIS-Aqua Ocean Color Standard Products

- 10 Remote sensing reflectances (visible)
- 2003-2010

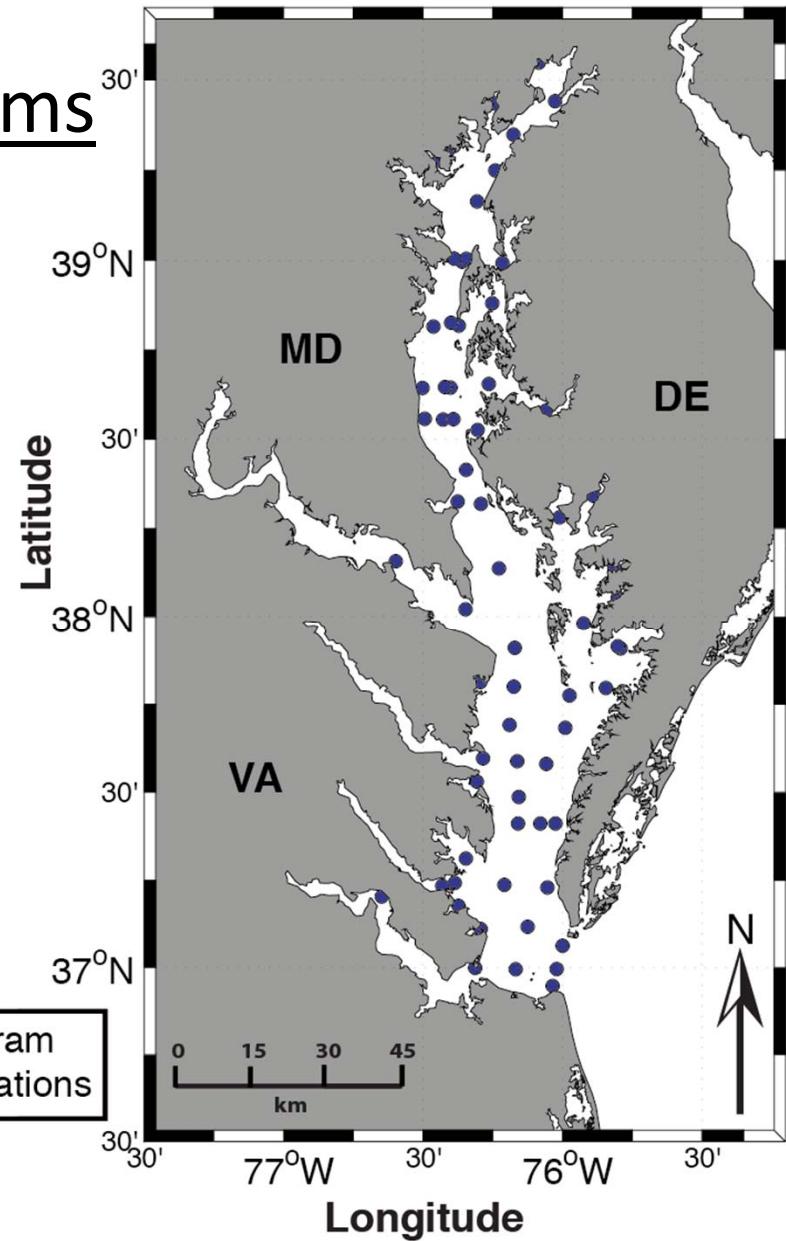
## - In situ – remote sensed measurement matchups

- 68 CBay Program in situ stations
- Single pass RS ocean color data
- 1km radius RS averaging
- 2003-2010

## - Salinity Prediction Models

- GLM
- GAM
- CART
- BCART
- BART
- RF
- ANN
- MARS

● CBay Program  
matchup stations



# Satellite Based Salinity Algorithms

- Generalized Linear Model (GLM)
- Generalized Additive Model (GAM)
- Artificial Neural Network (ANN)
- Multivariate Adaptive Regression Spline (MARS)

## *Tree-Based Data Mining*

- Categorical and Regression Tree (CART)
- Bagged Categorical and Regression Tree (BCART)
- Bayesian Additive Regression Tree (BART)
- Random Forest (RF)

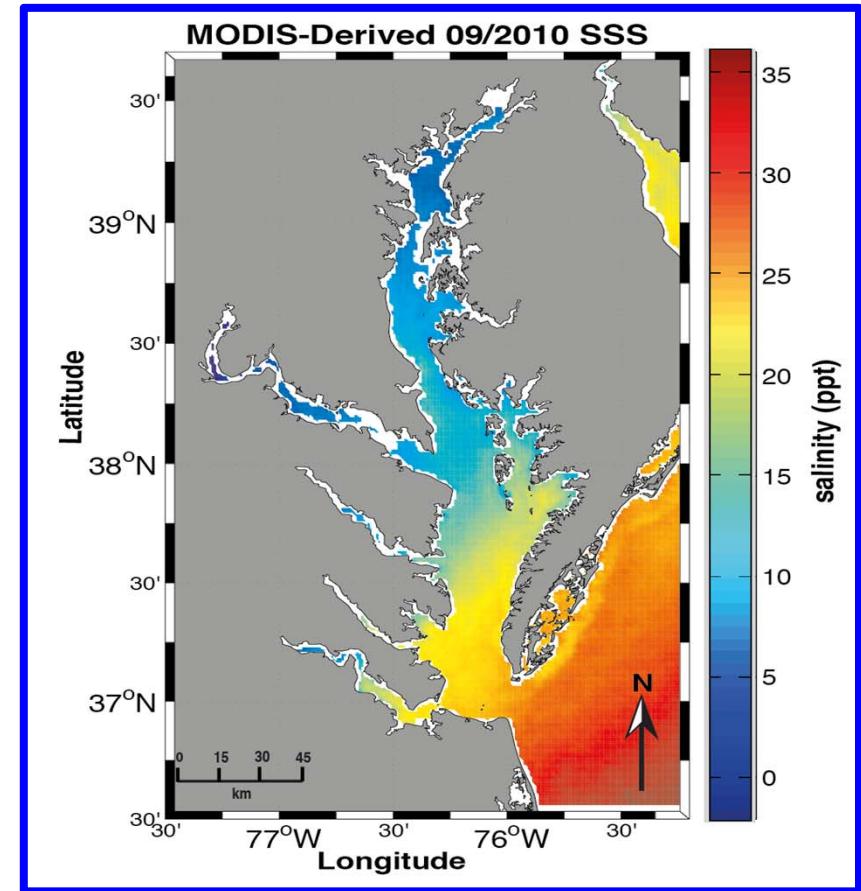
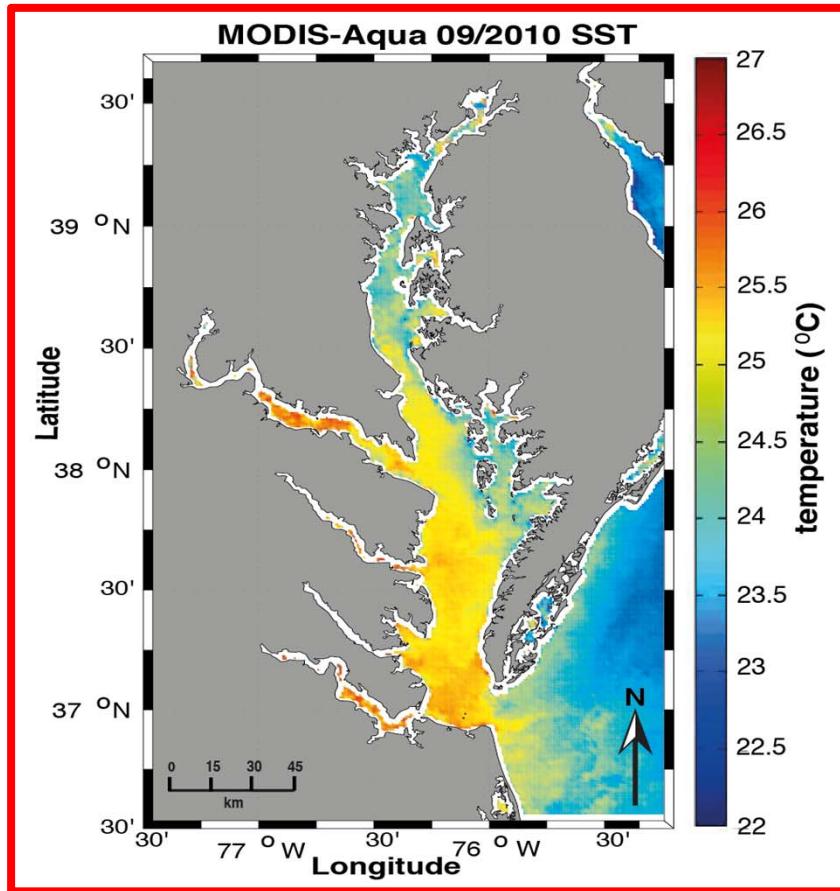
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	GAM	ANN	GLM	CART	BCART	RF	MEAN	BART	MARS
MAE	<b>1.82</b>	<b>1.85</b>	1.93	2.39	2.38	2.06	3.72	2.04	1.98
RMSE	<b>2.38</b>	<b>2.50</b>	2.53	3.03	3.01	2.67	4.69	2.60	2.52
MSE	5.67	6.28	6.40	9.17	9.08	7.14	22.07	6.77	6.33

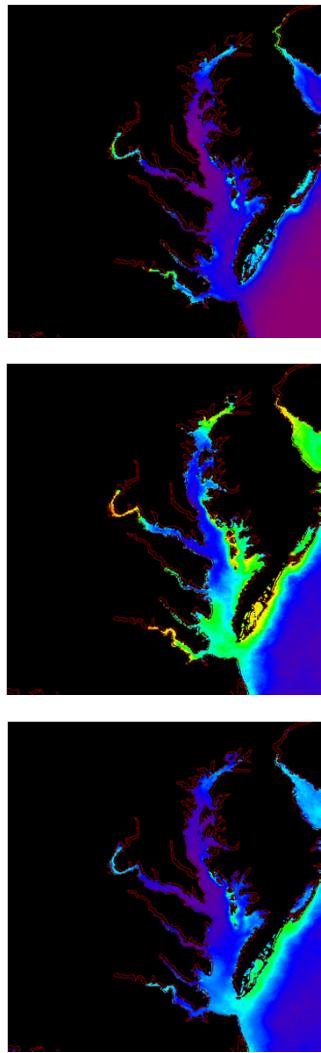
- Top performing prediction models: **GAM** and **ANN**
- GAM and ANN are not statistically different
- All models outperform the mean salinity prediction

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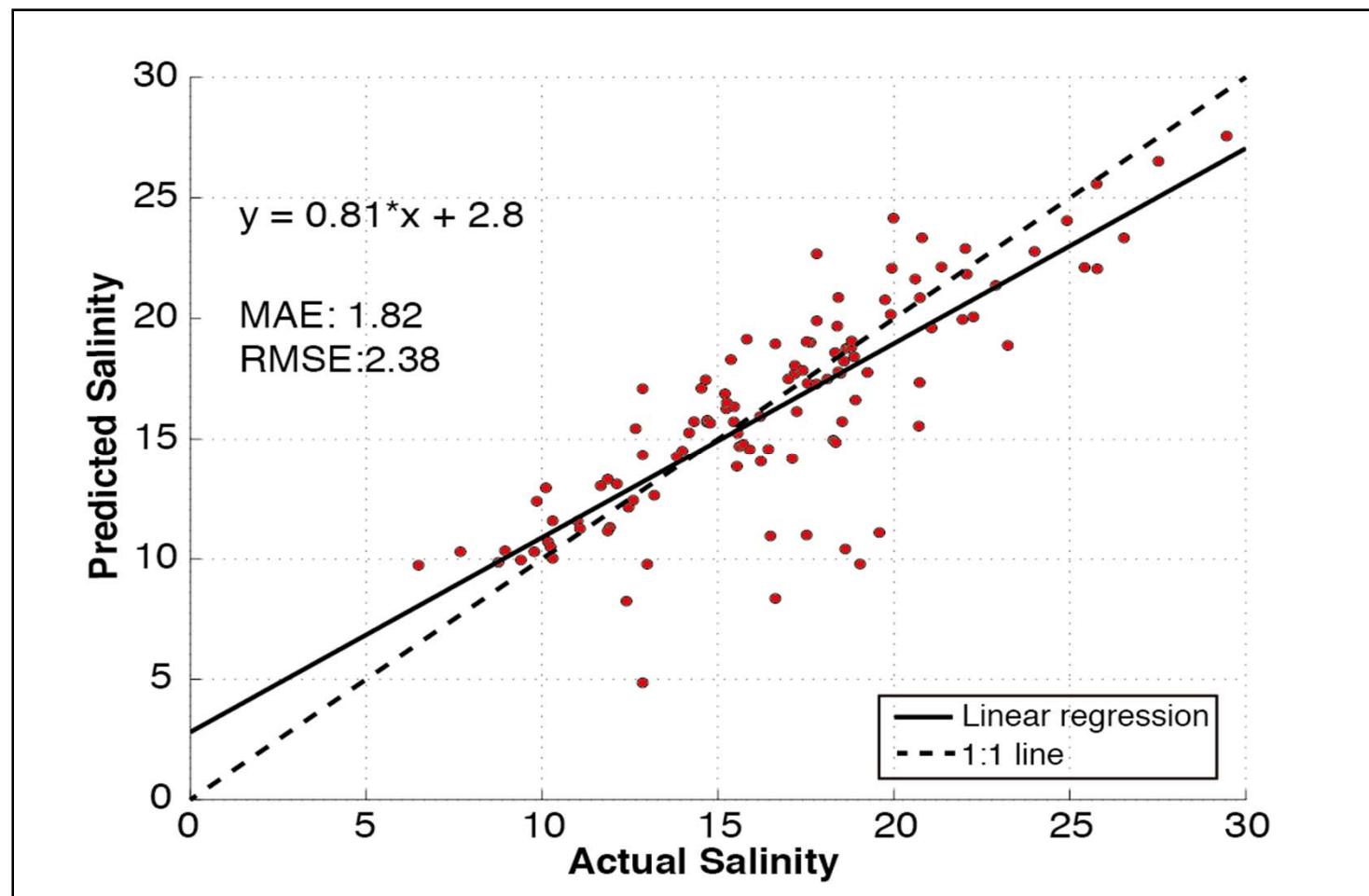
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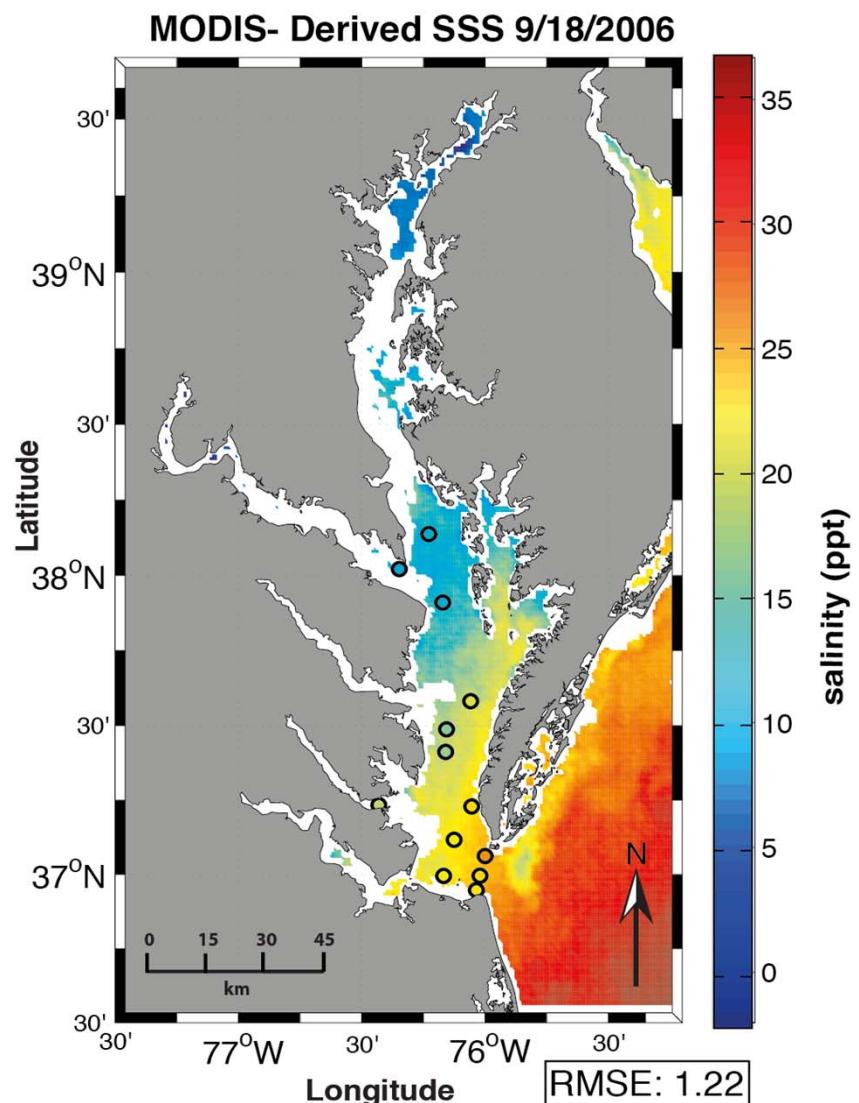
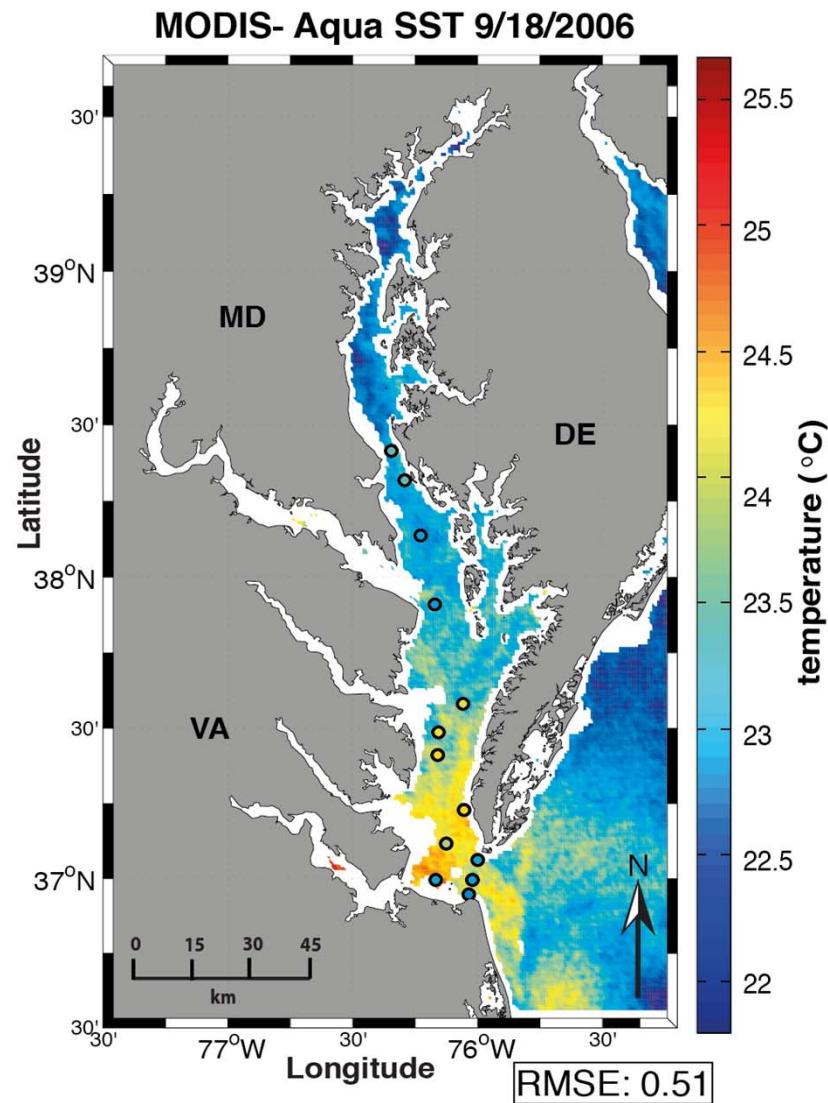
# General Additive Model (GAM) for Predicting Salinity



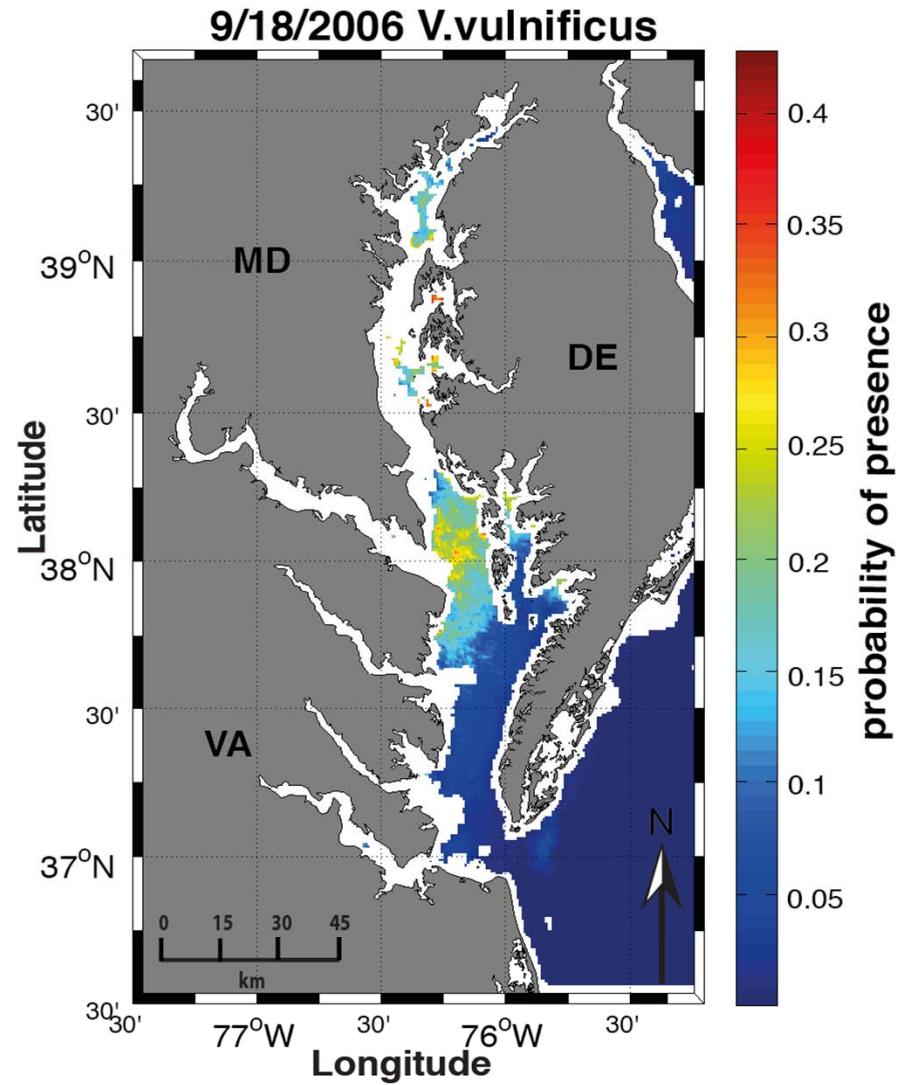
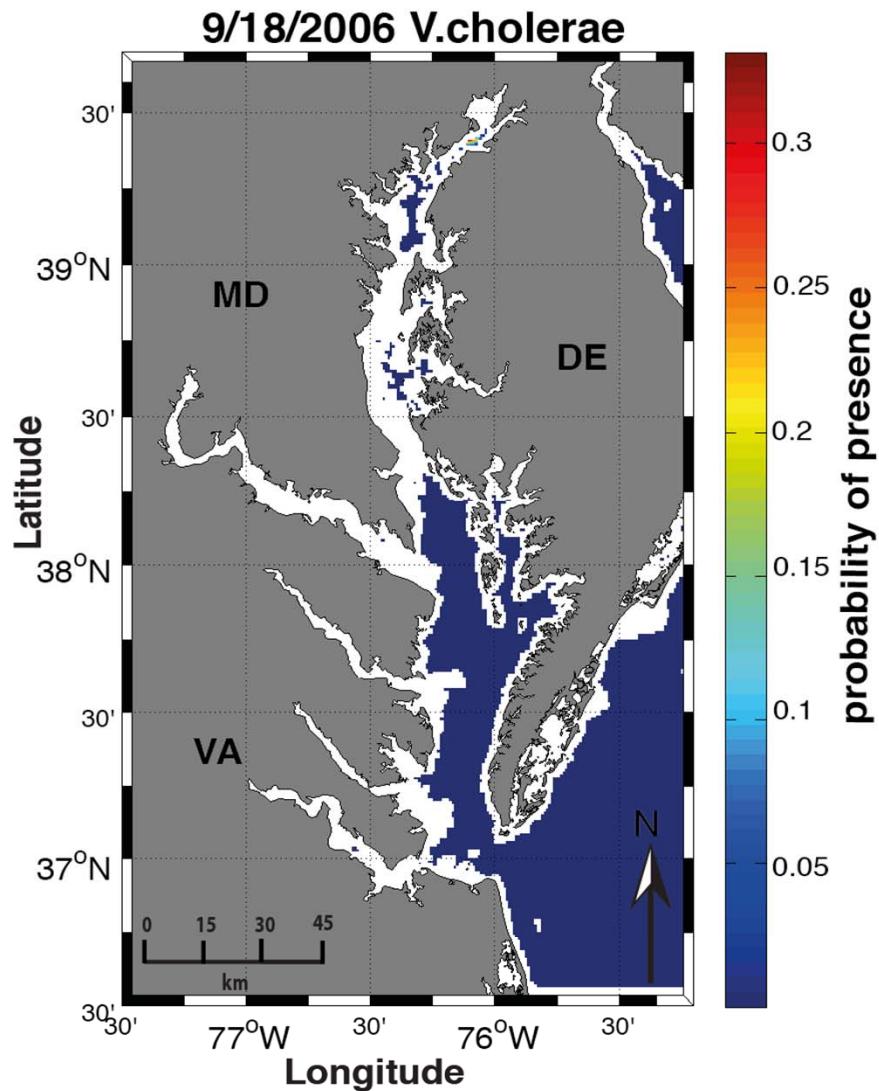
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GAM.MODEL<-gam(Salinity~s(Rrs_678)+s(Rrs_547)+s(Rrs_488.....)
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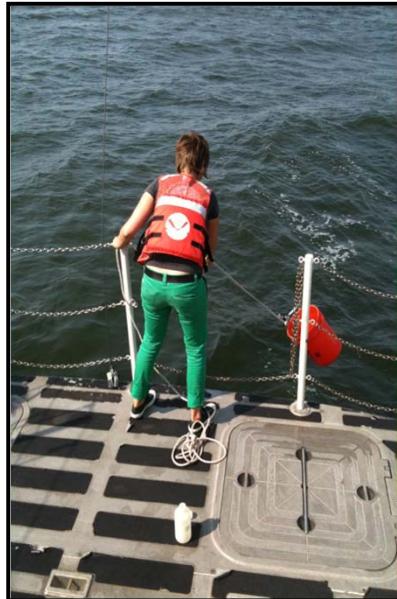
# Daily Remote Sensing of SST and Salinity



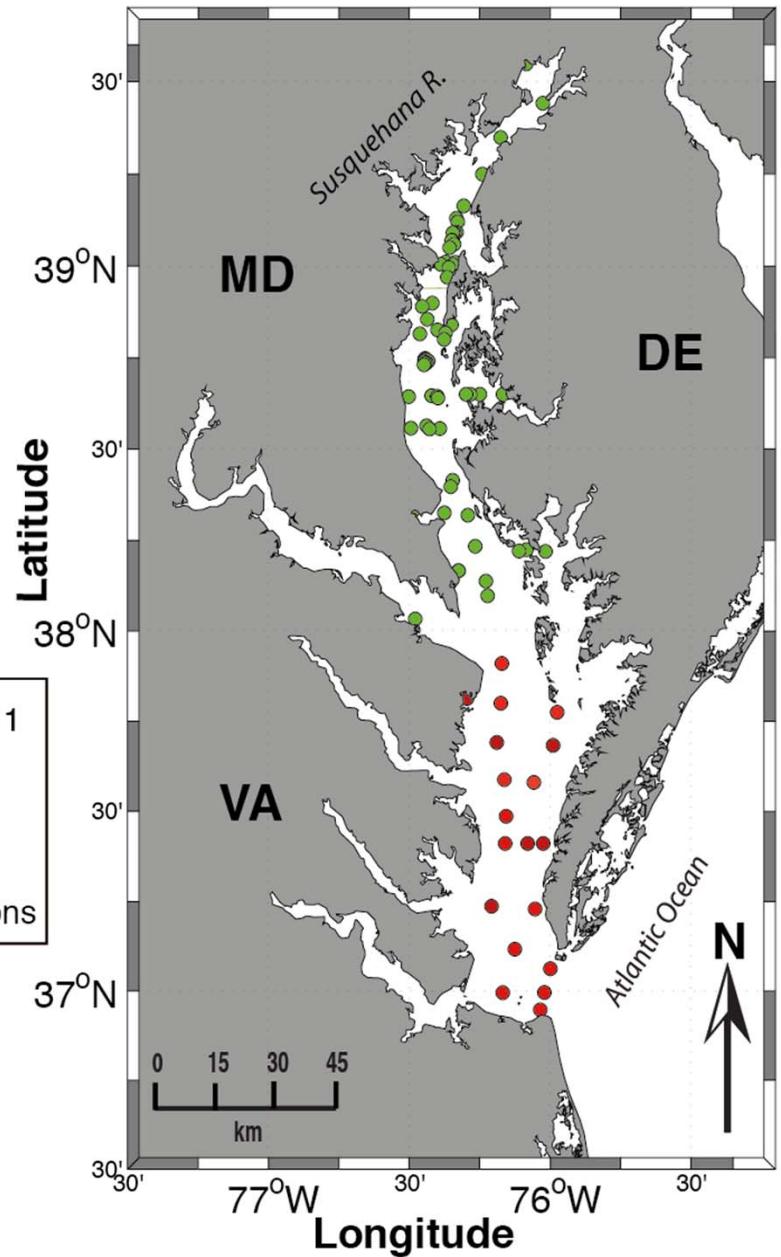
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# In situ Vibrio Sampling



- Summer 2011 NOAA/DNR Stations
- Planned VADQ Stations



# Future Research Directions

- Salinity algorithm applications
- Applications within the Chesapeake Bay
- Applications beyond the Bay

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