

Supplementary material

Improving marine disease surveillance through sea temperature monitoring, outlooks and projections

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1. Detailed methods for seasonal outlook presented as Figure 5b.

The SST forecast used in the beta version of the seasonal outlook presented as Figure 5b is the 9-month daily temperature forecast for the sea surface layer (top 10 meters) from the NOAA National Center for Environmental Prediction's (NCEP) Climate Forecast System Version 2 (CFSv2) model (Saha et al. 2014; CFSv2 website: <http://cfs.ncep.noaa.gov>). CFSv2 became operational in March 2011. CFSv2 runs four times every day at 0000, 0600, 1200, and 1800 UTC producing forecast for each future day up to 9 months into the future.

CFSv2 is a fully coupled ocean–land–atmosphere dynamical seasonal prediction system. For the study area, CFSv2 has both zonal and meridional resolutions of 0.5°. The ocean has 40 vertical layers in the model with 27 layers in the upper 400 m, and the bottom depth is around 4.5 km. The vertical resolution is 10 m from the surface to 240-m depth.

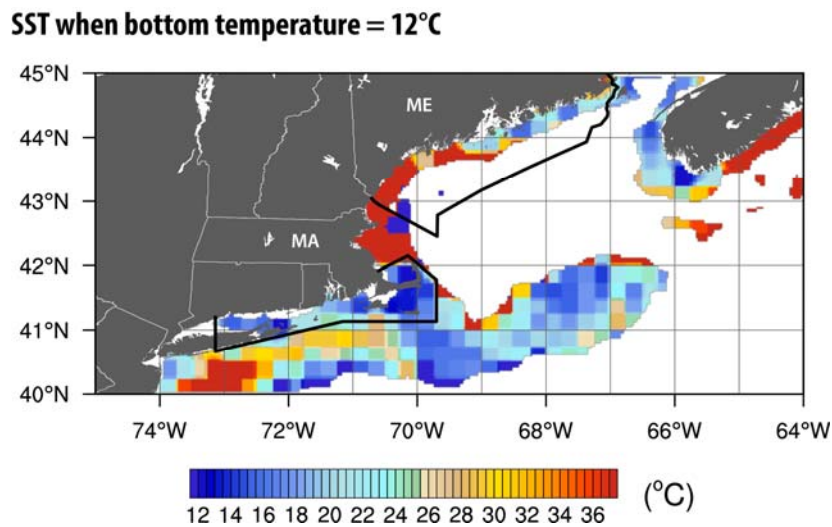
For this study, nine-month daily SST forecasts from each of the CFSv2 nine-month model runs that occurred from June 22 through 28 (Monday-Sunday) 2015 were examined. For each data grid, we determined whether the predicted sea surface temperatures reach or exceed the surface temperatures required for modeled bottom temperatures to be ≥ 12 °C at the grid (see Figure S1) for at least seven consecutive days in September, 2015. Collecting the duration predictions for September 2015 from all four model runs per day over the 7-day period of June 22-28 produced a set of 28 runs (i.e., 28 ensemble members). We then generated a probabilistic forecast for each grid by calculating the percentage of the 28 runs that predicted the occurrence of bottom temperature ≥ 12 °C for all seven days.

1. Table S1. Host-pathogen systems identified as potential candidates for developing temperature-based surveillance tools. For these systems, temperature is strongly suspected as having a role in the disease etiology but the strength and nature of the role is not well understood. This list shows the breadth of host-pathogen systems that may eventually be good candidates for surveillance tools but is not expected to be exhaustive.

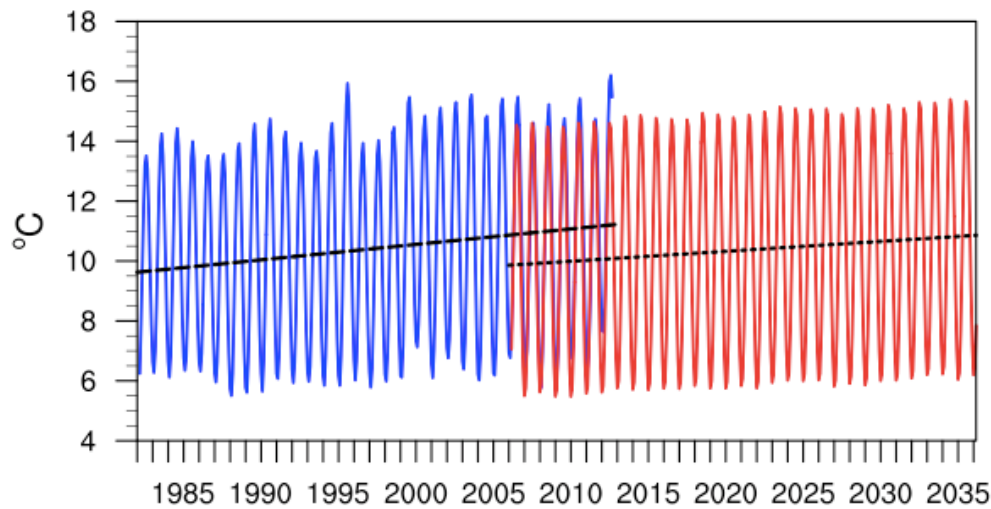
Hosts	Species	Causative agent or disease name	Region	References
Sponges				
Vase sponge	<i>Ircinia</i> spp. <i>Spongia</i> spp., <i>Hippospongia</i> spp.	<i>Vibrio</i> spp. <i>Microbial consortium</i>	Mediterranean Sea Mediterranean Sea	Maldonado et al. (2010); Stabili et al. (2012) Gaino et al. (1992)
Corals				
Sea fans	Gorgonia	<i>Aspergillus sydowii</i>	Caribbean Sea	Alker et al. (2001)
Sea fans	Gorgonia	<i>mortality</i>	Caribbean Sea	Cerrano et al. (2000)
Molluscs				
Pacific oyster	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	<i>Oyster herpes virus</i> <i>Bonamia ostreae</i>	W Europe, W USA	Le Deuff et al. (1996); Burge et al. (2007) Van Banning (1991); Engelsma et al. (2010)
European oyster	<i>Ostrea edulis</i>	<i>Marteilia refringens</i>	Western Europe	Balouet et al. (1979); Alderman (1979); Audemard et al. (2004)
European oyster	<i>Ostrea edulis</i>	<i>Xenohalictis haliotidis</i>	Western Europe	Friedman et al. (1997); Braid et al. (2005)
Abalone	<i>Haliotis</i> spp.	<i>haliotidis</i>	Western USA	Friedman et al. (1997); Braid et al. (2005)
Crustaceans				
Shrimp	Penaeid shrimp	<i>White Spot Syndrome</i>	Global	Rahman et al. (2006); Rahman et al. (2007)
Shrimp	Penaeid shrimp	<i>IHHNV</i>	Global	Montgomery-Brock et al. (2007)
Blue crab	<i>Callinectes sapidus</i>	<i>Hematodinium perezii</i>	Mid-Atlantic USA	Messick et al. (1999), Messick & Shields (2000)
Spiny lobster	<i>Panulirus argus</i>	<i>PaV1</i>	Caribbean Sea	Behringer et al. (2008); Behringer et al. (2012)
Echinoderms				
Sea urchin	<i>Str. droebachensis</i>	<i>Paramoeba</i>	Northeast Canada	Scheibling & Hennigar (1997); Buchwald et al. (2015)
Sea stars	Sea stars - 22 species	<i>Sea Star Wasting Disease</i>	E and W USA and Canada	Eisenlord et al. (this issue); Hewson et al. (2014)
Vertebrates				
Salmon	Salmonids	<i>IHHNV</i>	Pacific and Atlantic-coastal Japan, W and E US, W Canada, Europe	Garver et al. (2013)

4. Table S2. List of CMIP5 climate models forced with RCP8.5 to produce the long-term projections presented as Figure 5c.

Model name	Model name	Model name
CCSM4	MIROC5	CMCC-CMS
IPSL-CM5A-LR	GFDL-CM3	EC-EARTH
BCC-CSM1.1	CNRM-CM5	FIO-ESM
MRI-CGCM3	NorESM1-M	HadGEM2-AO
IPSL-CM5A-MR	ACCESS1-0	INM-CM4
CSIRO-Mk3.6.0	ACCESS1-3	IPSL-CM5B-LR
GFDL-ESM2G	BCC-CSM1.1(m)	MPI-ESM-LR
GISS-E2-R	CESM1-BGC	MPI-ESM-MR
HadGEM2-CC	CESM1-CAM5	NorESM1-ME
GFDL-ESM2M	CESM1-ACCM	
HadGEM2-ES	CMCC-CESM	
CanESM2	CMCC-CM	



3. Figure S1. Required surface temperatures for modeled bottom temperatures of 12 °C. Relationships between surface and bottom temperatures were derived from a linear regression relating remotely sensed SST (NOAA Pathfinder v5.2) to World Oceans Analysis data for July-August, 2012 (see methods in paper).



5. Figure S2. Linear trend in sea surface temperatures (SST) averaged across the spatial domain shown in Figures 4 and 5 for remotely sensed SST (blue, NOAA Pathfinder v5.2) and the CMIP5 climate model ensemble used for the long-term projections (red). We state in the paper that the long-term projections are likely conservative because they are based on rates of change in SST for the next 20 years that are less than what was documented (on average) these last 30 years.

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