







Diversity of pathogens of molluscs in Mexico and surveillance tools







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Introduction

Main species for commercial production

Diversity of pathogens, main diseases and surveillance tools

Challenges for surveillance

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Species of aquaculture significance



Main species that support commercial production

Eastern oyster Crassostrea virginica: fishery and extensive aquaculture

Pacific oyster *Crassostrea gigas* : aquaculture

Cortez oyster Crassostrea corteziensis: fishery and extensive aquaculture

Kumamoto oyster *Crassostrea sikamea*: aquaculture

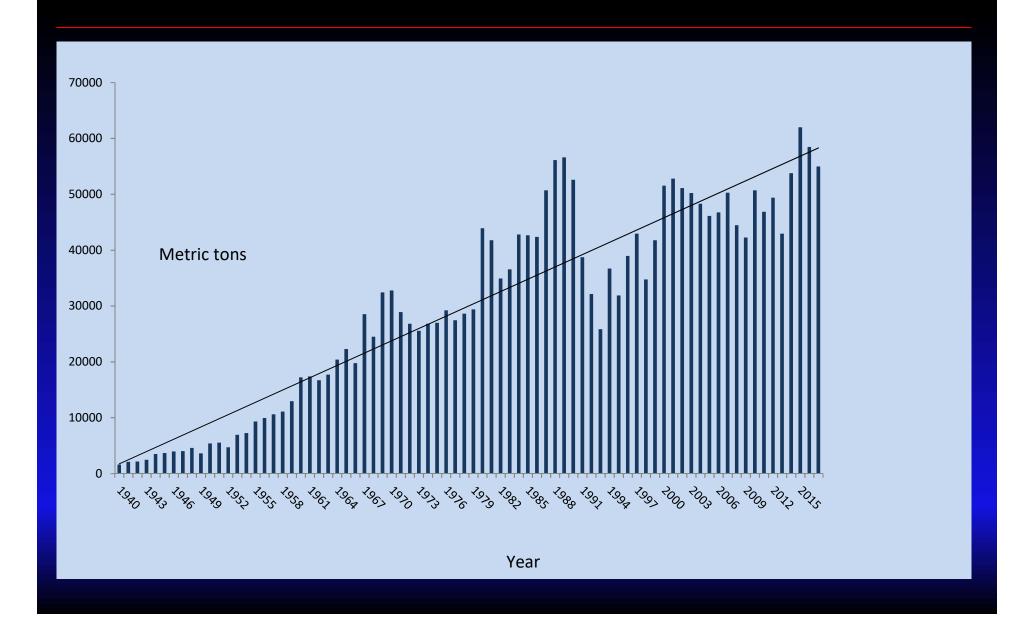




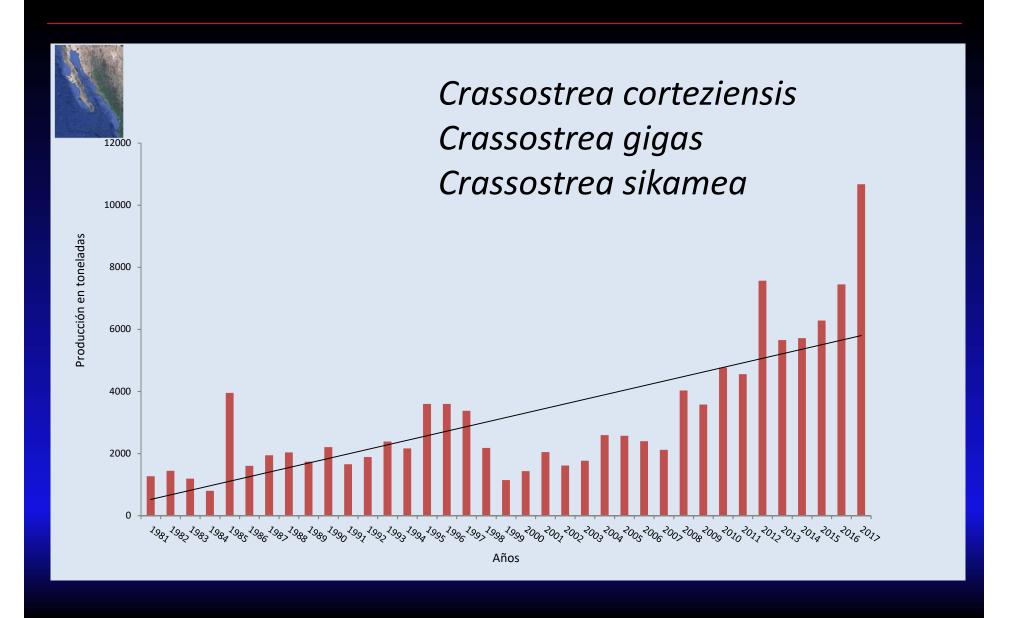


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Oyster production in Mexico since 1940



Aquaculture production of oysters in Northwest Mexico 1981-2017



Diversity of pathogens, main diseases and surveillance tools





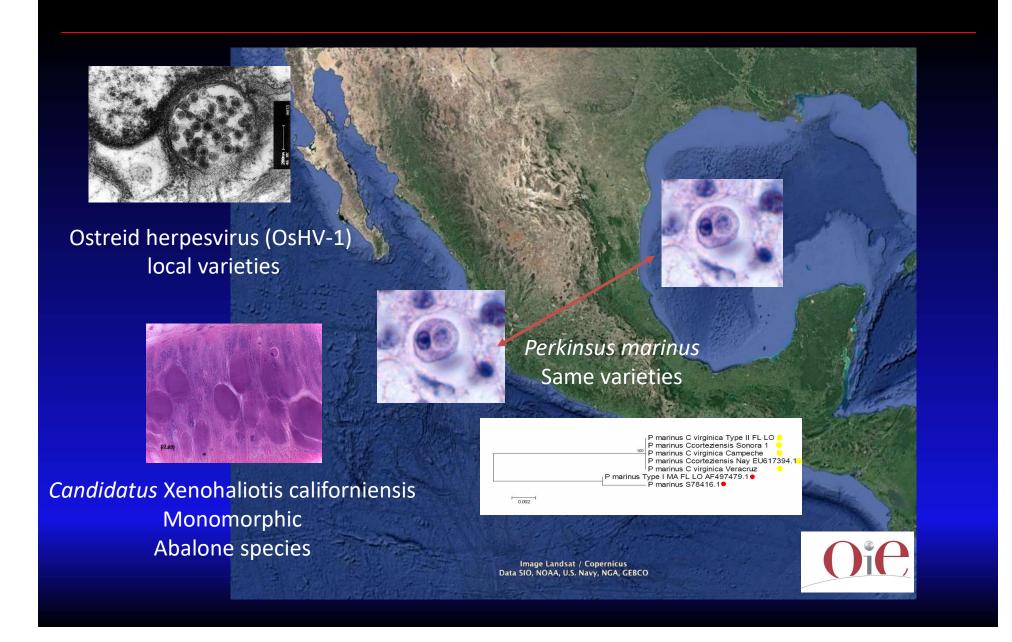






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Diversity of pathogens in molluscs of Mexico



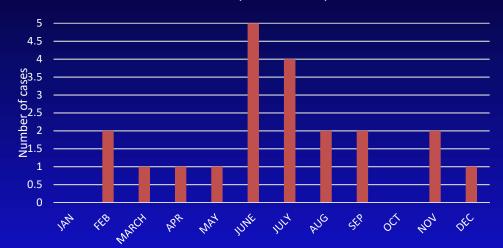
Oyster herpesvirus





OsHV in Baja California

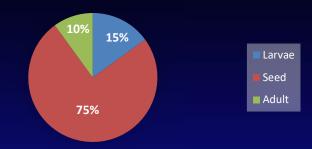
OsHV-1 (2002-2017)



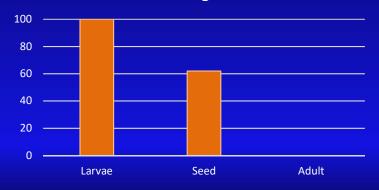
Larvae: up to post-larvae

Seed: 5 -40 mm Adult: > 40 mm

Percentage of cases per stage



Mean percentage of mortality per stage

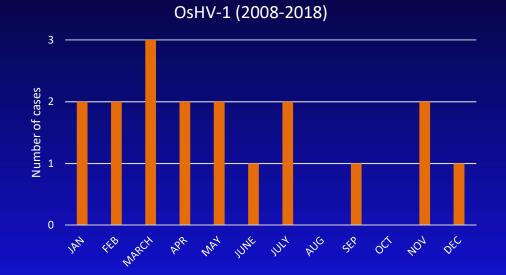


Range: 10-100%

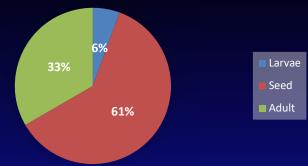


OsHV in Baja California Sur





Percentage of cases per stage



Percentage of mortality per stage



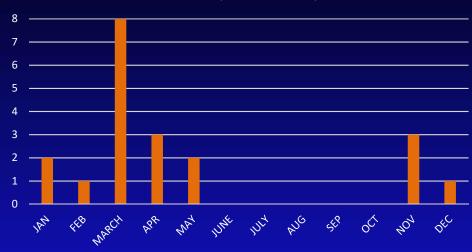
Range: 64-100%



OsHV in Sonora







Larvae 100% Mean mortality of seed 64%

Range: 60-100%



Diagnostic tools

Fresh analysis



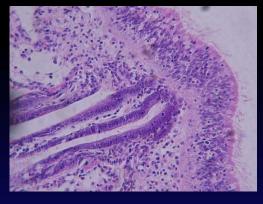


Unusual mortalities





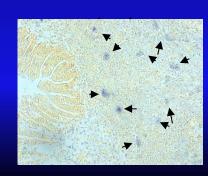
Histology



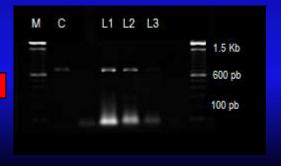




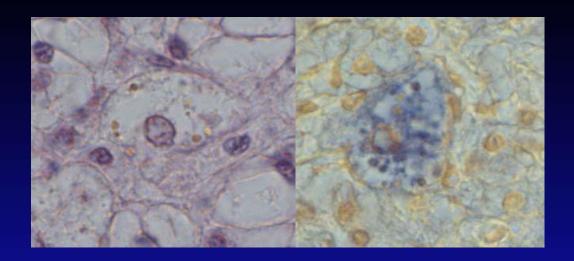
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PCR, RT-PCR sequencing



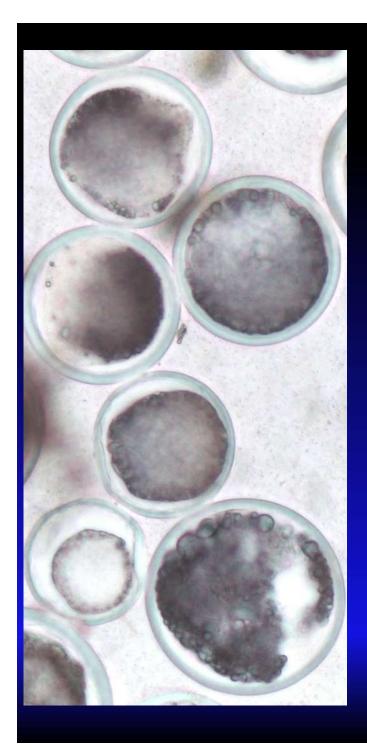
It is not enough to have an ideal surveillance technique if the interpretation is wrong



Presence of DNA of a particular parasite in one host do not means the presence of a living parasite or infection

Presence on one particular parasite alive in a host do not mean, necessarily infection

Presence of an infection related with a particular parasite do not mean necessarily mortality



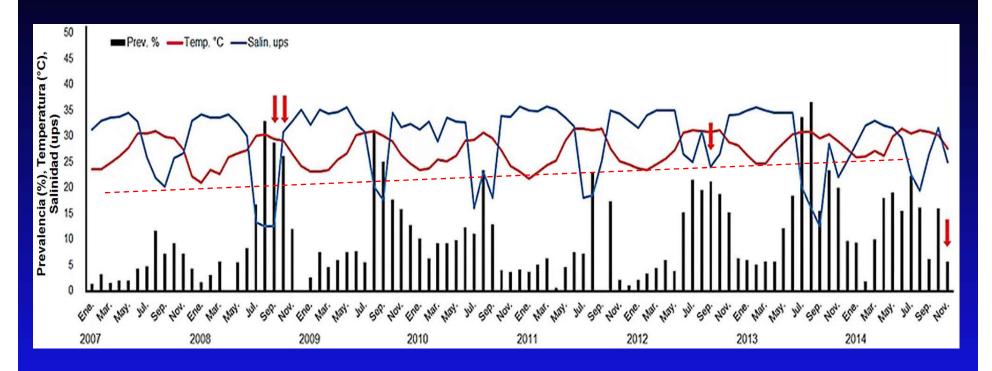
Perkinsus marinus

Perkinsus marinus in Crassostrea corteziensis



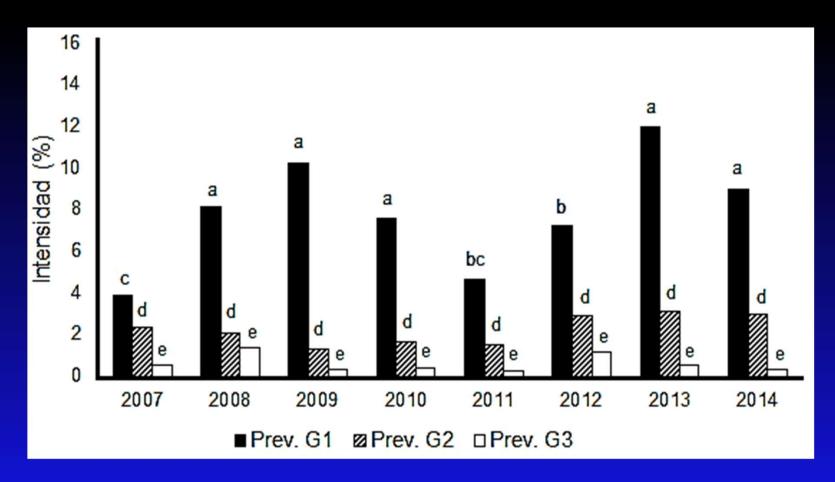


Prevalence



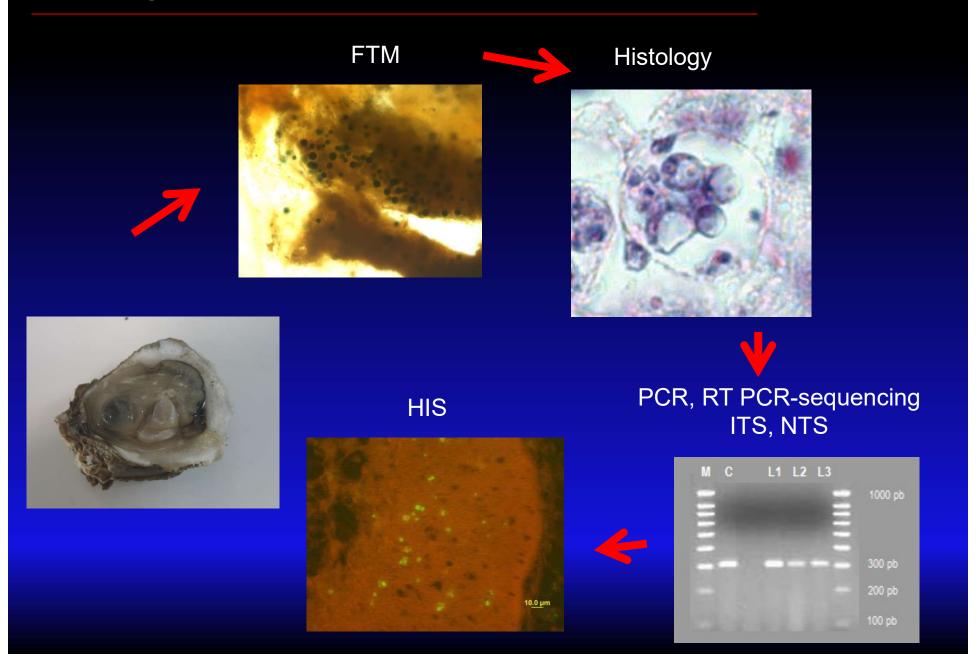
Seasonal pattern associated with temperature and salinity

Intensity



Predominant intensity: light
Severe cases less than 10%
No unnusual mortaliy during study

Diagnostic tools



It is not enough to have an ideal surveillance technique if the interpretation is wrong

For more than 20 years of surveillance in *Crassostrea gigas* we have not detected any cases of development of the infection with the histological technique

However, some cases of detection of *P. marinus using* PCR has been positives

In our lab studies, injecting hypnospores in healthy oysters no infection was detected

Surveillance is needed as a carrier







Challenges for surveillance

THE WORLD POPULATION REACHED 7,500 MILLION PEOPLE IN 2019





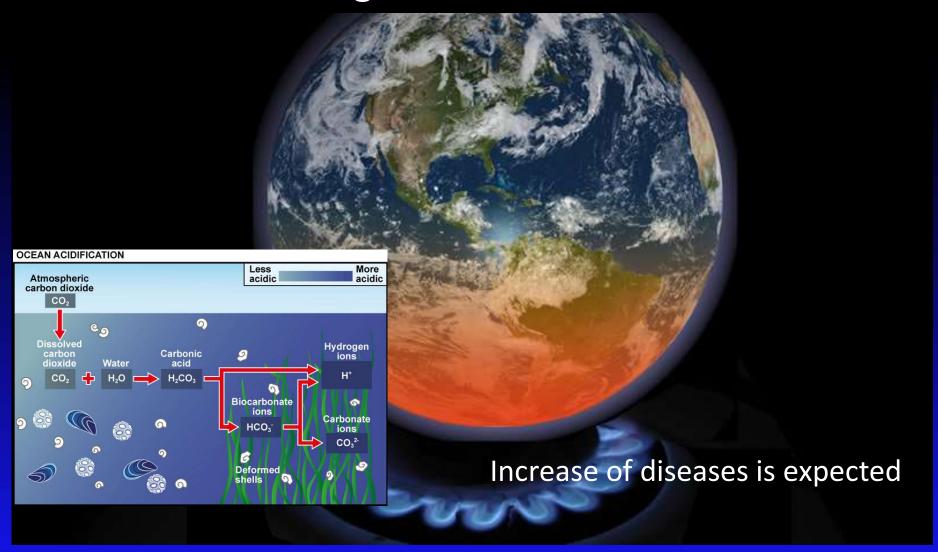
7,500 MILLION PEOPLE!







Climate change and ocean acidification



Increasing the surveillance efforts

Prevention and Surveillance

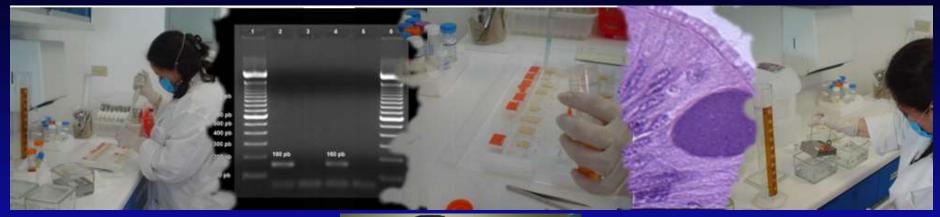
Permanent environmental monitoring in growing areas

Association with infectious and non-infectious diseases



Conclusion

Adequate diagnostic tools and correct interpretation





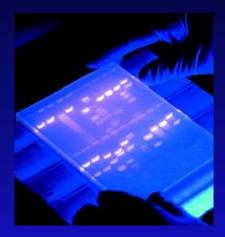


Thanks!

New oyster pathogens



Genomics



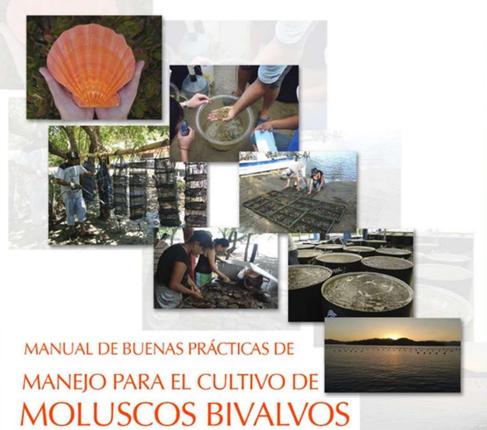
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Confirmation by PCR, RT-PCR and sequencing









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