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### Referência do projecto

Project reference

PTDC/AAC-AMB/102866/2008



### 1. Identificação do projecto

1. Project description

#### Área científica principal

Main Area

Ambiente e Alterações Climáticas - Ambiente

#### Área científica Secundária

Secondary area

Ciências e Tecnologias do Mar

#### Título do projecto (em português)

Project title (in portuguese)

CIEF - Os impactos combinados da mudança da invasão e de clima na funções litorais do ecossistema

#### Título do projecto (em inglês)

Project title (in english)

CleF - The combined impacts of invasion and climate change on coastal ecosystem functioning

#### Financiamento solicitado

Requested funding

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#### Palavra-chave 1

Alterações Climáticas

#### Keyword 1

Climate change

#### Palavra-chave 2

Invasões Biológicas

#### Keyword 2

Biological invasions

#### Palavra-chave 3

Função de Ecossistema

#### Keyword 3

ecosystem functioning

#### Palavra-chave 4

Áreas costeiras atlânticas

#### Keyword 4

Atlantic coastal areas

**Data de início do projecto**

Starting date

01-01-2010

**Duração do projecto em meses**

Duration in months

36

**2. Instituições envolvidas**

2. Institutions and their roles

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**Instituição Proponente**

Principal Contractor

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Host Institution

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3004-517Coimbra**3. Componente Científica**

3. Scientific Component

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**3.1. Sumário****3.1 Summary****3.1.a Sumário Executivo (em português)**

3.1.a Executive Summary (in Portuguese)

Nos sistemas marinhos costeiros, o risco de invasões biológicas está rapidamente a aumentar acompanhando a ocorrência de alterações climáticas (Stachowicz et al. 2002). No actual cenário, com o aumento das temperaturas médias atmosférica e à superfície do oceano e com o acréscimo da quantidade de CO<sub>2</sub> dissolvido, também se observa um incremento do nível de acidificação dos oceanos (Caldeira & Wickett 2003). Apesar de ser comummente aceite que estas alterações climáticas simultaneamente com a ocorrência de espécies invasoras podem pôr em risco os ecossistemas marinhos, pouca atenção tem sido dada a evidências experimentais, impossibilitando uma representação holística de cenários futuros. Em particular, não se sabe de que forma a interacção entre perturbações climáticas e invasão pode modificar a estrutura e funcionamento das comunidades marinhas costeiras (Worm et al. 2006). Informação experimental quantitativa ajudará a aumentar o grau de precisão e correcção de modelos ecológicos e da previsão de como os ecossistemas marinhos se poderão alterar num futuro próximo. Adicionalmente, o conhecimento do efeito simultâneo de diferentes perturbações nos ecossistemas, permitirá desenvolver e implementar planos de gestão nacionais e europeus realmente efectivos. Neste projeto, iremos avaliar os efeitos de dois factores climatéricos (aumento da temperatura e CO<sub>2</sub>) e as suas interacções com espécies invasoras na composição (identidade e diversidade de taxa) e funcionamento (aspectos relacionados com a transferência de energia) de

comunidades marinhas bentónicas.

Os objectivos específicos serão 1) conhecer o papel da temperatura e da acidificação na determinação do grau de invasão de espécies de macroalgas exóticas, 2) compreender como é que a interacção entre factores perturbadores climáticos e espécies de macroalgas invasoras poderá afectar as comunidades intertidais de substrato rochoso e qual o papel da diversidade destas comunidades na contraposição desses efeitos; 3) perceber como a interacção entre temperatura e detritos de macroalgas invasoras poderá alterar a comunidade de consumidores das praias arenosas e a taxa de decomposição das macroalgas invasoras; 4) seguir, ao longo das redes tróficas, o percurso do carbono orgânico resultante das macroalgas invasoras e determinar se o aumento do risco de invasão e da temperatura podem limitar a capacidade de armazenamento de CO<sub>2</sub> pelos sistemas costeiros.

Praias rochosas e arenosas serão utilizadas como sistemas modelo para testar hipóteses sobre as interacções entre alterações climáticas e invasão no funcionamento dos sistemas costeiros. No campo e em mesocosmos, provocaremos o aumento deliberado da temperatura e da pressão de CO<sub>2</sub> de forma a medir as alterações na distribuição e biomassa de espécies invasoras, na composição e estrutura trófica das comunidades bentónicas, na produção da comunidade e no fluxo de carbono através da rede trófica.

O projecto recorrerá a técnicas inovadoras para aumentar o CO<sub>2</sub> e para estudar os fluxos de carbono (ex. 13C tracking no campo).

A equipa de investigação tem vasta e reconhecida experiência em ecologia experimental, quer em praias rochosas, quer arenosas. Para além disso, tem também larga experiência nas áreas de fisiologia macroalgal, invasões e estudo da função dos ecossistemas. Estamos convictos que esta equipa garante o sucesso da proposta. A colaboração, como consultor externo, do Prof JJ Middelburg (perito de renome internacional na utilização de isótopos estáveis e no estudo dos fluxos de carbono), irá contribuir amplamente para a compreensão e modelação dos processos envolvidos na transferência de carbono através da rede trófica.

### **3.1.b Sumário Executivo (em inglês)**

#### **3.1.b Executive Summary (in English)**

The risk of biological invasions on marine coastal habitats is rapidly increasing in concomitance to the changes in the climate (Stackowicz et al. 2002). Under present climate change scenario, average atmospheric and sea surface temperatures are increasing and more CO<sub>2</sub> will dissolve in the ocean and lower ocean pH. Despite it is generally agreed that these effects of climate change and invasive species may simultaneously impact marine ecosystem, experimental evidence is limited and does not allow a holistic representation of future scenarios. In particular, we do not know how the interaction between climate stressors and invasion will modify the structure and functions of marine coastal communities (Worm et al. 2006). Such quantitative experimental information will help increasing the precision and accuracy of ecological models and predicting how marine ecosystems will change in the near future. In addition, this knowledge on the simultaneous effects of different stressors on ecosystems will allow the development and implementation of effective National and European management plans.

In this project, we will evaluate the effects of these two climate-driven stressors (temperature and water acidification), and their interactions with invasive macroalgae on the composition (identity and diversity of taxa) and functioning (aspects related to the energy transfer) of marine benthic communities. The specific tasks we propose are to establish: 1) the role of temperature and acidification in determining invasibility of exotic seaweeds, including *Sargassum muticum*; 2) the role of macroalgal diversity in counteracting the interacting effects of climate stressors and invasive seaweeds on rocky intertidal communities; 3) the role of macroalgal detritus diversity in counteracting the effect of temperature and invasive seaweeds on sandy beach consumers and on detritus decomposition; 4) the path of the organic carbon derived from invasive seaweeds in the food webs under temperature increase to determine how these stressors may modify carbon storage by coastal systems. We will use rocky shore and sandy beaches as convenient model systems to test hypotheses on the interactive effects of invasion and climate change on coastal functioning. In the field and in mesocosm experiments we will deliberately increase temperature and CO<sub>2</sub> pressure and measure changes in the distribution of invasive species, in the composition and trophic structure of benthic assemblages, in the community production and in the carbon flow to the food web. The project will make use of innovative techniques to increase CO<sub>2</sub> and to study carbon flow (e.g. 13C-tracking experiments in the field).

The team members have long recognised experience in experimental ecology of both rocky shores and sandy beaches as well as in macroalgal physiology, invasions and ecosystem functioning. Such team guarantees the success of the proposal. The external collaboration with Prof JJ Middelburg, who has renowned expertise in carbon cycling and use of stable isotopes will greatly contribute to the understanding and modelling of the carbon recycling.

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### **3.2. Descrição Técnica**

#### **3.2 Technical Description**

##### **3.2.1. Revisão da Literatura**

###### **3.2.1. Literature Review**

There is strong scientific consensus that coastal marine ecosystems are threatened by several factors such as pollution, habitat destruction, eutrophication, overfishing, climate change (increasing sea temperatures, changing circulation patterns, increased storminess and ocean acidification) or invasion by non-indigenous species (Worm et al. 2006). In particular, biological invasions have become one of the most prominent elements of this global degradation, and are considered the second-most important cause of global diversity loss after habitat destruction. Non-indigenous species may have serious consequences not only on biodiversity per se, but also on the management and restoration of natural ecosystems. By disrupting ecosystem structure and function, invasive species alter the ability of natural systems to provide high-value goods and services (Stackowicz et al. 2002).

Adding to the threat posed by non-indigenous species, predicted climate change scenarios are accelerating changes in the

structure and function of coastal marine systems with unprecedented ecological, economic and social implications (Harley et al. 2006). Increasing green house gas concentrations will have important impacts on ocean biogeochemistry, by changing carbon dioxide concentration and temperature. Atmospheric carbon dioxide concentration is expected to rise from the current 380 parts per million by volume (ppmv) to 600-1550 ppmv by the year 2100, depending on future emission scenarios (IPCC, 2007). This rate of increase in atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> will substantially decrease oceanic pH over the next few centuries up to 0.4 units before 2100, four times more than the present decrease of 0.1 pH units due to industrial times (Caldeira & Wickett, 2003). Ocean acidification will lead to a shift in inorganic carbon equilibrium, which will have negative effects on calcifying organisms such as coralline algae, corals, echinoderms or molluscs and will modify sources of inorganic carbon for photosynthesis by primary producers (Guinotte & Fabry 2008 and references therein).

The current trend of increasing atmosphere CO<sub>2</sub> is accompanied by changes in other climatic factors, primarily temperature and its variability (IPCC, 2007). Air and sea-surface average temperatures have risen in the past century (1906-2005) by 0.56-0.92°C and these trends are also expected to accelerate in the current century (IPCC, 2007). Increasing temperature may provoke shifts in the distribution and abundance of species according to their thermal tolerance and ability to adapt to the new conditions (Harley et al. 2006). There will be severe implications for the ecosystem functioning associated to this species shift. Ecosystems will change in productivity and carbon recycling and they may become less resistant to invasions by non-indigenous species (Stachowicz et al. 2002).

Stressors are expected to exert complex effects that cannot be easily inferred using single-stressor studies because synergistic or antagonistic interactions may occur (Folt et al. 1999). For instance, some evidence suggests that interactions between climate change and biological invasions are likely to have widespread and unexpected effects on coastal ecosystem dynamics (Harley et al. 2006). Nonetheless, despite the mounting research effort dedicated to study climate change and non-indigenous species in the marine realm, empirical studies linking these stressors are limited and mostly observational preventing any prediction of future scenarios. Quantitative experimental information on these effects will help increasing the precision and accuracy of ecological models and predicting how marine ecosystems will change in the near future (Widdicombe & Spicer, 2008). From a management point of view, addressing the impacts of both climate change stressors and invasive species will provide basic information to design efficient and innovative mitigation plans in coastal areas.

In this project, we will evaluate the effects of two climate-driven stressors (temperature and CO<sub>2</sub> increase), and their interactions with non-indigenous species on the structure (identity and number of taxa) and functioning (energy and nutrients transfer fluxes) of benthic marine communities on intertidal rocky shores and sandy beaches. We will use these two habitats as traceable model systems because they provide essential ecological functions, including the recycling of organic matter of marine and terrestrial origin as well as the uptake of CO<sub>2</sub> from the atmosphere or dissolved in the water column. Carbon and nutrient cycling is largely done by interactions between primary producers and grazers on rocky shores, where inorganic carbon is taken up by seaweeds and moved into the food web by the grazers. The residual seaweeds, not consumed by grazers, are exported as detritus and may deposit on the sandy beaches adjacent to the rocky shores. There, this macroalgal detritus, commonly called wrack, provides important spatial subsidies to the consumers inhabiting the beach (Orr et al. 2005). These consumers, in association to microbes may recycle even a large part of this detritus, through microbial respiration or moving carbon and nitrogen into the detritus food web (Moore et al. 2004). Such understanding is also particularly important for the Portuguese shores, where marine benthic communities hold several non-indigenous species, including some of the most invasive macroalgae (e.g., *Sargassum muticum*, *Grateloupa turuturu* and *Undaria pinnatifida*) and increased sea-surface temperature (0.01-0.05 °C/year since 1940) is modifying upwelling regime (Gómez-Gesteira et al. 2008) and changing marine benthic species (Lima et al. 2007).

### **3.2.2. Plano e Métodos**

#### **3.2.2. Plan and Methods**

The key aim of the project is to investigate how two of the most prominent global stressors, namely climate change and biological invasions, will impact marine coastal ecosystems. Specifically we will examine how the forecasted future climate scenario for marine systems (e.g. CO<sub>2</sub> water acidification and temperature) will alter the dynamics of invasive seaweeds and how temperature and acidification will interact with invasive species to affect the productivity and carbon recycling of rocky shores and beaches. Our working hypothesis is that climate-driven stressors and invasion will have a synergistic effect on marine coastal biodiversity and functioning. To accomplish our main objective, we will first investigate the effects of climate change on the invasibility of macroalgae in rocky shores (Task 1). Then, we will test how climate-driven stressors and invasive macroalgae modify communities and their properties emphasizing the role of macroalgal diversity in driving these patterns on rocky shores (Task 2) and beaches (Task 3). Finally we will follow the path of carbon derived from invasive seaweeds into the benthic food web (Task 4).

Climate change and invasions may substantially change species identity and diversity with direct implications on ecosystem-level aggregate functions such as energy fluxes, stability and resistance to invasions (Stachowicz et al. 2002). However, there is lack of empirical data on how biological invasions affect the structure of marine benthic communities and ecosystem function under temperature and CO<sub>2</sub> increase (see for review Harley et al. 2006; Widdicombe & Spicer, 2008). Furthermore, while effects of individual climate stressors and non-indigenous species have been reported for several marine invertebrates and algae (Britton-Simmons, 2004; Rodil et al. 2008; Olabarria et al. 2009), no experimental study has tested interactions among these stressors. Nonetheless, multiple stressor effects cannot be predicted from knowledge on singlestressor effects (e.g. Folt et al. 1999; Harley et al. 2006). Given that these stressors act simultaneously, we need to understand their reciprocal influence on ecosystems.

Task 1 will examine how climate change modifies the susceptibility of macroalgal communities to invasion. Evidence for plant communities suggests that invasions occur when resources are available. Climate change may influence resource availability through changes in species distribution. For example, declines in abundance and local extinctions of native species could

create new opportunities for the establishment of new non-indigenous species. In addition, disturbances may affect native and introduced species differently modifying species interactions and the probability of invasion success (Davis et al. 2000; Arenas et al. 2006). In task 1 we will experimentally invade communities under different levels of climate stressors and measure the growth and standing crop of invasive species.

In the following two tasks (2 and 3) we will deliberately modify macroalgal diversity and measure how climate-driven factors and the presence of invasive seaweeds modify benthic communities and aggregate or emerging functions. Species diversity (species richness and abundance) can counteract the destabilizing effect of environmental changes through compensatory species dynamics and complementary use of resources (Yachi & Loreau, 1999). Experimental evidence has however suggested that species identity rather than diversity per se may become more important (Rossi et al. 2008). Furthermore, diversity may change simultaneously to ecosystem functioning under environmental disturbance and there may be dynamic, reciprocal interactions during disturbance and during the recovery after disturbance ends (Rossi et al. in press). In task 2 we will use a novel experimental approach to test how macroalgal communities of variable diversity respond to temperature and pCO<sub>2</sub> increase in presence of invasive seaweeds. Synthetic communities have been already constructed at the CIIMAR (Arenas et al. 2006). These synthetic communities resemble very closely natural communities and will be our model-system. We will apply press-type stress treatments for several weeks and we will measure quick responses (photosynthetic efficiency, primary productivity, nutrient uptake and carbon fluxes) using benthic chambers and long term responses in the communities (structural changes in species diversity and abundance) during and after disturbance. In task 3, we will investigate experimentally how diversity of macroalgal wrack may change the effect of temperature increase and invasive wrack on consumer communities and wrack decomposition rate on sandy beaches. In the field, we will deliberately increase the temperature in patches of wrack of different macroalgal composition, with and without invasive seaweeds.

Eventually, task 4 will study the flow of carbon derived from invasive wrack to the benthic food webs, e.g. how the macroalgae that invaded a coastal area (task 1) and modified communities and their functioning (task 2 and 3), under climate change may be recycled by these benthic communities. Herbivores and detritivores, by feeding on seaweeds or wrack, may literally "pack" the carbon fixed by plants and move it up to the food web. Temperature, by reducing metabolism and feeding capacity of invertebrates, enhancing bacterial metabolism (Viergutz et al. 2007) and regulating decomposition rate of macroalgal detritus, may affect such carbon recycling into the food web. Non-native wrack, having different decomposition rate, nutritional value and edibility may vary their contribution to the carbon cycling. When invasive species cannot be eaten by invertebrates, there will be a cul-de-sac for this carbon flow in the food web. We will deliberately add seaweed detritus composed of invasive species and native species that have been previously 15N and 13C-labelled in the laboratory to follow the fate of carbon and nitrogen in the food web (Rossi, 2007).

The project is mainly experimental and includes field and mesocosm manipulations. In the field, we will increase temperature up to 2-4 °C for a period of approximately one month, during day time. On beaches the increase of temperature will be created by low-power (5000 BTU) propane heaters (Allison, 2004), whereas in rock pools the increase of temperature will be created by titanium heaters similar to those used in aquaria (see [www.coral-reef.es](http://www.coral-reef.es)). In the mesocosm, we will also modify CO<sub>2</sub> adapting the methodology of Findlay et al. (2008), with mesocosms consisting of 2 parts, a lower section containing internal heating elements and an upper section (a tent) where the atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> will be controlled by continuous addition of high CO<sub>2</sub> air mixtures. The upper section will contain vents which will prevent the built-up of gas. We will also deliberately create assemblages of macroalgae at different levels of diversity, including exotic species. Specific experimental designs are described in the specific tasks. As measures of ecosystem functions we will use community productivity, quantum photosynthetic efficiency, and 13C-tracking experiments, which are described in the specific tasks and above in this section. All the experimental work proposed in this project will be carried out in areas where the studied invaders are already well established. None of the experiments will transfer alien species to new areas.

The expertise of the research team will guarantee the success of the proposal. All the participants of the team have recognized expertise in ecological research on the coastal areas with wide experience and expertise in quantitative and experimental ecology (field and laboratory). Team skills cover expertise in soft sediments bio-geochemistry (Dr. F. Rossi), biodiversity and ecosystem functioning (Dr F. Rossi; Dr C. Olabarria; Dr F. Arenas), ecophysiology, population dynamics, and community and ecosystem level impacts of marine macroalgal invaders (Dr F. Arenas, Dr R. Viejo, Dr C. Olabarria, Dr M. Incera). The researchers have also well-known experience on beach ecology (Prof. J. C. Marques, Dr. C. Olabarria, Dr. M. Incera), food webs (Dr. F. Rossi, A. Baeta and Dr. J. Patrício) and rocky-shore ecology (Dr F. Arenas, Dr. C. Olabarria and Dr R. Viejo). All participants have been involved in several National and European projects and some of them have participated in European excellence networks such as MARBEF (funded by the EC 6th Framework Program from 2004-2009). In addition, all researchers have been involved in the supervision and training of students at different levels. With more than 100 publications in SCI journals (see curricula) the group is therefore able to integrate empirical research into different benthic systems, both hard and soft substrata, and to tackle complex experimental approaches like those described in this proposal. Furthermore, the external consultancy of Prof JJ Middelburg, a renowned scientist with large experience in carbon recycling will allow a thoughtful understanding on future changes in the carbon recycling of coastal waters to the light of increasing invasion risk and climate change.

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### 3.2.3. Tarefas

#### 3.2.3. Tasks

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##### **Lista de tarefas (4)**

##### **Task list (4)**

<b>Designação da tarefa</b> Task denomination	<b>Data de início</b> Start date	<b>Data de fim</b> End date	<b>Duração</b> Duration	<b>Pessoas * mês</b> Person * months
Task 1 : Climate-driven effects on ma...	01-01-2010	31-12-2010	12	28

### **Descrição da tarefa e Resultados Esperados**

Task description and Expected results

Description of the task

Climate change can alter the biotic resistance of communities to invasion by displacing native species and creating new opportunities for colonization. The combined effect of several stressors will depend on the sign and magnitude of the native species co-tolerance to them. For example, some functional groups of seaweeds like canopy-forming species are more sensitive to anthropogenic disturbances and these species seems also to be very relevant in preventing invasion by other algal species (Arenas et al 2006). Moreover, results of very recent work suggested that coralline algae would be negatively affected by increases in CO<sub>2</sub> concentrations and the recruitment of invaders may be modified by these reductions of coralline turfs (e.g. Findley et al. 2008). Thus, the interplay between the impacts of climate change stressors on native communities and their susceptibility to invasions will finally decide the probability of success.

The specific objective of task 1 is to investigate in natural communities how the forecasted new climate change scenarios (increase of seawater pCO<sub>2</sub> and temperature) will modify the functional structure of algal communities and subsequently their susceptibility to invasion.

Our initial hypothesis is:

- Climate change impacts will increase the susceptibility of native communities to invasion through changes in their abundance and species composition.

Expected results

- Knowledge of how multiple climate stressors affect the resistance of marine communities to invasion.
- Results for the first paper of the project.
- Results for the first Master thesis (MSc 1) relate to the project.

Experimental procedure

We will use rock-pool boulders with natural algal communities dominated by perennial species as model communities. These boulders are very abundant in Portuguese shores and Dr. Arenas has already used them in other experiments. Boulders of similar medium size will be selected, tagged and sampled to measure initial species diversity and abundance. The boulders will be assembled in buckets at the CIIMAR outdoor facilities placed a few kilometres away from the shore where all the communities will be deployed, Aguda beach. Aguda is a very convenient rocky shore with several macroalgal invaders well established. Environmental stressors (High temperature (T) and High CO<sub>2</sub> level (C) will be applied daily to the communities for 8 non-consecutive weeks using 3 different stress combinations plus a non stress control: 1) Control; 2) High Temp; 3) High CO<sub>2</sub>; 4) High CO<sub>2</sub>-High Temp. Twelve replicates per stress level will be included (48 boulders). We will use two levels of CO<sub>2</sub> concentration (ambient levels and average values of 750 ppmv – corresponding to a “continually increasing” IPCC scenario by 2100) - and two temperatures (ambient and an increase of 2-4 °C above ambient levels, this increase being within the range of IPCC estimates for 2090-2099).

Once the stress treatments have been applied to the communities we will inoculate the buckets with spores of invasive macroalgae.

Invasibility of communities will be measured as number, growth and final standing biomass of the invasive species at several successive times after the invasion. We will use *Sargassum muticum* and *Grateloupa turuturu* as model invasive species, applying 3 treatment additions within each CO<sub>2</sub>-temperature combinations: i) only *Sargassum*, ii) only *Grateloupa*, iii) both exotic species simultaneously (4 replicates per treatment addition within stress combinations).

### **Membros da equipa de investigação nesta tarefa**

Members of the research team in this task

(BI) Bolseiro de Investigação (Lic. ou Bacharel) 1; (BIC) Bolseiro de Iniciação Científica 1; Celia Olabarria Uzquiano; Francesca Rossi; Francisco Arenas Parra; Isabel Maria Trigueiros Sousa Pinto ; Mónica Incera Filgueira; Rosa Viejo;

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Task 2: The interaction between clima...	01-06-2011	31-05-2012	12	22

### **Descrição da tarefa e Resultados Esperados**

Task description and Expected results

Description of the task

In intertidal macroalgal communities ocean acidification and temperature increase may provoke important effects especially in presence of invasive species. In this second task we will include the presence/absence of exotic invaders as additional stressor acting on native algal communities. As already described in task 1, results of very recent work suggested that the group of coralline algae will be negatively affected by ocean acidification, with potential community shifts towards non-calcifying algae. Increasing temperature, however, may counteract the effect of rising pCO<sub>2</sub> by increasing carbonate ion concentrations in seawater, though the magnitude of this effect will be feasibly small within the ranges predicted by IPCC scenarios (Orr et al. 2005). Ocean warming and acidification, on the other hand, may enhance the growth rates of other groups, especially invasive algal species which are often tolerant to several stressors (Stachowicz et al. 2002). The additive, counteractive or interactive effects of increases in temperature and pCO<sub>2</sub> on seaweed communities are largely untested, particularly in relation to changes in diversity and to the interactions with invasive species.

The following hypothesis will be tested:

- Increases in pCO<sub>2</sub> will negatively affect the abundance of the coralline algal group. These negative effects could be ameliorated by increasing temperature, but the development of other species will be enhanced, particularly those species with rapid growth, such as the invasive species *S. muticum*.
- Expected results
- Increasing our understanding of direct interactions between climate-driven stressors and marine invaders
- Results for the second and third articles (one on innovative methods for CO<sub>2</sub> enrichment and synthetic communities using boulders, combined to results of task 1)
- Results for the second Master thesis (MSc 2) relate to the project.

#### Experimental procedure

The experiment will be set up in mesocosm tanks with continuous supply of flowing seawater.

Seawater will be filtered in order to avoid the entrance of grazers to the system. Synthetic communities of varying levels of "functional" richness and identity will be assembled using tile-like structures (see Arenas et al. 2006). The potential functional groups used will be: calcareous crusts and turfs, non-calcareous turfs and canopy-forming algae. Within the group of canopy-forming species we will manipulate the number and identity of species, using at least two, maximum three, different species, including the invasive *S. muticum*. Different levels of functional diversity/identity will be used, with the restriction of always including one calcareous group. Within the canopy-forming algae we will manipulate the number and identity of species: e.g. Cystoseira, Sargassum, Sargassum + Cystoseira.

Tanks will be installed in ECIMAT, University of Vigo and CIIMAR, Porto. The treatments and levels of CO<sub>2</sub> concentration and temperature will be the same as in task 1. Manipulation of stressors will be done for a period of about 1 month, and experiment will be set up in two periods, spring and autumn. Response variables will be species abundance, productivity and biomass. Measures will be taken at different times in order to estimate temporal stability of the system.

For the CO<sub>2</sub> addition we will adapt the methodology of Findlay et al. (2008), with mesocosms consisting of 2 parts, a lower section containing internal heating elements and an upper section (a tent) where the atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> will be controlled by continuous addition of high CO<sub>2</sub> air mixtures.

#### Membros da equipa de investigação nesta tarefa

Members of the research team in this task

(BI) Bolsheiro de Investigação (Lic. ou Bacharel) 1; (BIC) Bolsheiro de Iniciação Científica 2; Celia Olabarria Uzquiano; Francesca Rossi; Francisco Arenas Parra; Isabel Maria Trigueiros Sousa Pinto ; Mónica Incera Filgueira; Rosa Viejo;

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Task 3: The interaction between tempe...	01-06-2011	31-05-2012	12	21

#### Descrição da tarefa e Resultados Esperados

Task description and Expected results

##### Description of the task

On sandy beaches, invertebrate consumers often rely on external inputs of organic matter (e.g. spatial subsidies) such as macroalgal detritus (commonly called "wrack"). Therefore, any change in the availability of this wrack may greatly affect consumer communities (Orr et al. (b) 2005).

Temperature increase and invasive wrack may affect both decomposition rate and consumer communities. First, atmospheric temperature increase may rapidly heat up sand and greatly reduce their metabolism (Viergutz et al. 2007). Furthermore, temperature increase may enhance decomposition rate, through chemistry and microbial metabolism. Second, non-native wrack may have different capacity to break chemical linkages and be less edible than native species, thereby providing food of different quality to consumers (Rodil et al. 2008). Furthermore, similarly to what can happen in leaf-litter decomposing in streams, more diverse wrack assemblages may decompose differently from wrack that is formed by one species because more diverse species may create microclimatic conditions (e.g. water retention, temperature, structural complexity, etc.) and produce toxins that may decelerate decomposition and prevent animal grazing (Joarmalain et al. 2001). There are virtually no studies on the diversity role in decomposition of invasive seaweed.

The specific objective of task 3 is to investigate how the increase of temperature will modify the consumer communities and their effect in decomposition rate of non-native species.

Our initial hypothesis is:

- Temperature increase will affect wrack decomposition rate and consumer communities. This change will be modulated by the diversity of the macroalgal species composing the wrack assemblages. We expect an interaction between temperature and diversity to affect invasive wrack decomposition and consumer communities.

##### Expected results

- Knowledge of how temperature affects the capacity of wrack-associated communities of invertebrates to use spatial subsidies composed of non-native seaweeds when macroalgal communities that subsidy the beaches are reduced in diversity due to increasing disturbance
- Results for the fourth paper of the project.
- Results for the third Master thesis (MSc 3) relate to the project.

#### Experimental procedure

Native wrack will be collected in the field, cleaned and assembled before deploying them on the sediment patches. There will be wrack of varying diversity with and without the invasive seaweed *Sargassum muticum*.

The wrack will be deployed in patches of 0.25 m<sup>2</sup> on beaches adjacent to rocky-shores as they potentially receive spatial subsidy from that shore. Temperature will be increased of about 2-4 °C (following predictions IPCC, 2007) for a period of approximately one month, during day time. The increase of temperature will be created by low-power (5000 BTU) propane heaters (Allison, 2004). Temperature will be manipulated in the patches added with wrack at different areas, following a fully orthogonal design with three factors: wrack diversity (D, 3 levels), temperature (T, 2 levels: control vs. increase of temperature) and non-native species (N, 2 levels). We will sample at 3 different times after temperature increase to establish recovery (total samples: 72). We expect a significant interaction D x T x N in the response variables.

Response variables will be abundance and species numbers of invertebrate consumers, isotope signatures (<sup>13</sup>C and <sup>15</sup>N) of each wrack species and consumers (to evaluate their trophic links) and macroalgal decomposition rate by weighting remaining wrack at different times from deposition. Statistical analyses will be based on univariate ANOVA analyses, and multivariate techniques (PERMANOVA).

### **Membros da equipa de investigação nesta tarefa**

Members of the research team in this task

(BI) Bolseiro de Investigação (Lic. ou Bacharel) 2; (BIC) Bolseiro de Iniciação Científica 3; Celia Olabarria Uzquiano; Francesca Rossi; João Carlos Sousa Marques; Mónica Incera Filgueira; Rosa Viejo;

<b>Designação da tarefa</b> Task denomination	<b>Data de início</b> Start date	<b>Data de fim</b> End date	<b>Duração</b> Duration	<b>Pessoas * mês</b> Person * months
Task 4: The recycling of non-native w...	01-01-2012	31-12-2012	12	35

### **Descrição da tarefa e Resultados Esperados**

Task description and Expected results

#### Description of the task

On rocky shores, the recycling of inorganic carbon is lead by interactions between seaweeds and herbivores. Nonetheless, a large part of the primary production become detritus and it is transferred to adjacent ecosystems where it may be used by detritivores and thus enter the food web in an alternative way (Cebrian, 1999). On sandy beaches, invertebrate consumers of detritus may greatly contribute to the transfer of this macroalgal carbon up to the food web since they are prey for many marine and terrestrial predators (Orr et al. (b) 2005; Rossi, 2007). The remaining detritus carbon not entering food webs is eliminated through respiration as CO<sub>2</sub> (Wigley & Schimel 2000). A full consideration of how and how much the primary producers enter the food web will greatly help understanding whether coastal ecosystems will become a source or sink of CO<sub>2</sub> in the near future under impending effects of climate change and increased risk of invasion.

Temperature increase, by changing the metabolism of consumers and microbes (Viergutz et al. 2007), and invasive species, by having differential decomposition rate and edibility (see also task 3), may greatly change carbon recycling in the food web and thus their capacity of regulating the flux of carbon. When invasive species replacing native seaweeds in rocky shores and as wrack on beaches cannot be eaten by invertebrates or eaten in a small proportion, there will be a cul-de-sac for this carbon flow in the food web.

The following hypothesis will be tested:

- The flow of carbon derived from invasive seaweeds and from invasive wrack in benthic consumers (e.g. herbivores and detritivores) will be different from that of native seaweeds and native wrack and vary according to temperature.

#### Expected results

- Increasing our understanding of the fate of invasive species into the food web to the light of increasing temperature
- Results for the fifth and sixth articles in peer-reviewed journals
- Results for the fourth Master thesis (MSc 4) relate to the project.

#### Experimental procedure

We will perform experiments in mesocosms rock pools and beaches. In mesocosms, we will use the artificial communities of task 2, with and without invasive seaweeds. The sampling design will follow that showed in task 2. At selected artificial communities treated with different levels of temperature, with and without invasive seaweeds, we will add <sup>13</sup>C-bicarbonate to label seaweeds. We will then include temporary these artificial communities in natural rock pools and allow colonization by grazers. Then, at selected times, we will sample for seaweeds and herbivores. On the beach, we will deliberately add seaweed detritus composed of invasive species *S. muticum* and of native species (*Sacchoriza polyschides*, *Fucus vesiculosus* or *Ulva* sp.) that have been previously <sup>13</sup>C-labelled in the laboratory (Rossi, 2007) at different levels of temperature manipulation (see task 3 for details on temperature increase). Sampling in this case will be done at 3 times, during macroalgal decomposition (total samples 72).

The experimental design for both experiments will include a fully orthogonal design with 2 treatments: Temperature (T, 2 levels: control vs. increase of temperature) and seaweed or wrack-type (W, 2 levels, invasive vs. native). Experiments will be done in different sites and there will be replicated rock-pools or wrack patches. There will be at least 3 replicates per treatment. We expect significant effects in the interaction W x T.

Statistical analyses will be based on univariate ANOVA analyses, special classes of generalized linear models like Generalized Estimating Equations (GEEs), and multivariate techniques (PERMANOVA, MDS). Data collected in this task will be used to build food web models, using Ecopath with Ecosim software that will help to assess the effectiveness of the ecosystem network approach in capturing the ongoing changes. This task will use <sup>13</sup>C tracking experiment to understand the fate of carbon, which will be greatly supported by the collaboration with Prof JJ Middelburg.

### **Membros da equipa de investigação nesta tarefa**

Members of the research team in this task

(BI) Bolseiro de Investigação (Lic. ou Bacharel) 2; (BIC) Bolseiro de Iniciação Científica 4; Alexandra Sofia Baptista Vicente Baeta; Celia Olabarria Uzquiano; Francesca Rossi; Francisco Arenas Parra; Joana Mateus Patrício; João Carlos Sousa Marques; Mónica Incera Filgueira; Rosa Viejo;

### **3.2.4. Calendarização e Gestão do Projecto**

#### **3.2.4. Project Timeline and Management**

##### **3.2.4.a Descrição da Estrutura de Gestão**

###### **3.2.4.a Description of the Management Structure**

This project is composed of 4 experimental Tasks. Each task includes experimental set-up, data collection, statistical analyses and result dissemination. Each task will be managed by a Portuguese responsible investigator and will be actively supported by foreign collaborators. All tasks will be developed independently, but all participants will work in tight contact, given that all tasks are of manipulative nature and require intensive field work and maintenance of experimental setups. Data collection and laboratory analyses will be done as soon as possible to guarantee a continuous flux of data since the beginning of the project. There will be informal meetings every 3 months and at the end of each task, once results are obtained in order to decide strategies for publication and dissemination of results in conferences and to the public. A final workshop will be organized at the end of the project. Once a year the PI will write a report on the activity done and on the strategies to adopt in order to accomplish all objectives in the best way possible. Such report will be approved by all participants.

A final report will be done at the end of the project. The project will start 01-01-2010 and end 31-12-2012.

##### **3.2.4.b Lista de Milestones**

###### **3.2.4.b Milestone List**

<b>Data</b>	<b>Designação da milestone</b>
Date	Milestone denomination
31-12-2010	end of task 1

###### **Descrição**

###### Description

The first results on how invasion is enhanced by temperature and CO<sub>2</sub> will be available. The experimental set-up for the other mesocosm experiments will be ready (task 2 and 4).

<b>Data</b>	<b>Designação da milestone</b>
Date	Milestone denomination
01-06-2011	end of task 2

###### **Descrição**

###### Description

The first results on how invasion and climate change will impact consumer communities on rocky shores will be available

<b>Data</b>	<b>Designação da milestone</b>
Date	Milestone denomination
01-07-2012	end of task 3

###### **Descrição**

###### Description

The first results on how invasion and climate change will impact consumer communities on beaches and differences in carbon recycling will be available

<b>Data</b>	<b>Designação da milestone</b>
Date	Milestone denomination
31-12-2012	Final Report and publications

###### **Descrição**

###### Description

End of the project and final results

##### **3.2.4.c Cronograma**

###### **3.2.4.c Timeline**

Ficheiro com a designação "timeline.pdf", no 9. Ficheiros Anexos, desta Visão Global (caso exista).  
File with the name "timeline.pdf" at 9. Attachments (if exists).

### **3.3. Referências Bibliográficas**

#### **3.3. Bibliographic References**

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### 3.4. Publicações Anteriores

#### 3.4. Past Publications

Referência Reference	Ano Year	Publicação Publication
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Rossi et al.	2009	<b>Rossi F., Vos M., Middelburg J.J. (2009) Species identity, diversity and microbial carbon flow in reassembling macrobenthic communities <i>Oikos</i> in press</b>
Arenas et al.	2006	<b>Arenas F., Sanchez I., Hawkins S.J., Jenkins S.R. (2006) The invasibility of marine algal assemblages: role of functional diversity and identity. <i>Ecology</i> 87: 2851-2861</b>
Olabarria et al.	2009	<b>Olabarria C., Incera M., Rodil I., Troncoso J. S. (2009) Limited impact of <i>Sargassum muticum</i> on native algal assemblages from rocky intertidal shores. <i>Marine environmental Research</i> in press</b>
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## 4. Equipa de investigação

### 4. Research team

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#### 4.1 Lista de membros

##### 4.1. Members list

Nome Name	Função Role	Grau académico Academic degree	%tempo %time	CV nuclear Core CV
<b>Francesca Rossi</b>	Inv. Responsável	DOUTORAMENTO	30	✓
<b>Celia Olabarria Uzquiano</b>	Investigador	DOUTORAMENTO	20	✓
<b>Francisco Arenas Parra</b>	Investigador	DOUTORAMENTO	20	✓
<b>Isabel Maria Trigueiros Sousa Pinto</b>	Investigador	DOUTORAMENTO	10	✗
<b>Joana Mateus Patrício</b>	Investigador	DOUTORAMENTO	10	✗
<b>João Carlos Sousa Marques</b>	Investigador	AGREGAÇÃO	10	✗
<b>Mónica Incera Filgueira</b>	Investigador	DOUTORAMENTO	10	✗
<b>Rosa Viejo</b>	Investigador	DOUTORAMENTO	10	✓
<b>Alexandra Sofia Baptista Vicente Baet...</b>	Bolseiro	MESTRADO	10	✗

(O currículum vitae de cada membro da equipa está disponível clicando no nome correspondente)

(Curriculum vitae for each research team member is available by clicking on the corresponding name)

**Total: 9**

#### 4.2. Lista de membros a contratar durante a execução do projecto

##### 4.2. Members list to hire during project's execution

Membro da equipa Team member	Função Role	Duração Duration	%tempo %time
(BI) Bolseiro de Investigação (Lic. ou Bacharel) 1	Bolseiro	18	100
(BI) Bolseiro de Investigação (Lic. ou Bacharel) 2	Bolseiro	18	100
(BIC) Bolseiro de Iniciação Científica 1	Bolseiro	6	100
(BIC) Bolseiro de Iniciação Científica 2	Bolseiro	6	100

(BIC) Bolseiro de Iniciação Científica 3	Bolseiro	6	100
(BIC) Bolseiro de Iniciação Científica 4	Bolseiro	6	100
<b>Total: 6</b>			

## 5. Projectos financiados

5. Funded projects

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(Sem projectos financiados)  
(No funded projects)

## 6. Indicadores previstos

6. Expected indicators

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### Indicadores de realização previstos para o projeto

Expected output indicators

Descrição Description	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total
<b>A - Publicações</b> Publications						
Livros Books	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Artigos em revistas internacionais Papers in international journals	0	0	1	5	0	<b>6</b>
Artigos em revistas nacionais Papers in national journals	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
<b>B - Comunicações</b> Communications						
Comunicações em encontros científicos internacionais Communications in international meetings	0	0	2	2	0	<b>4</b>
Comunicações em encontros científicos nacionais Communications in national meetings	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
<b>C - Relatórios</b> Reports	0	1	1	1	0	<b>3</b>
<b>D - Organização de seminários e conferências</b> Organization of seminars and conferences	0	0	0	1	0	<b>1</b>
<b>E - Formação avançada</b> Advanced training						
Teses de Doutoramento PhD theses	0	0	0	2	0	<b>2</b>
Teses de Mestrado Master theses	0	0	2	2	0	<b>4</b>
Outras Others	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
<b>F - Modelos</b> Models	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
<b>G - Aplicações computacionais</b> Software	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
<b>H - Instalações piloto</b> Pilot plants	0	1	0	0	0	<b>1</b>
<b>I - Protótipos laboratoriais</b> Prototypes	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
<b>J - Patentes</b> Patents	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
<b>L - Outros</b> Other	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
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	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>

### Acções de divulgação da actividade científica

Scientific activity spreading actions

The mesocosms that will be built at CIMAR, Porto will serve as prototype to show to the interested public small-scale composition of rock pools and their importance in the coastal system. Guided tours for people involved in education and for students at any level are proposed. Some of the participants are already involved in education activities within the MARBEF network of excellence and the project will offer the opportunities to develop such work.

## 7. Orçamento

### 7. Budget

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#### Instituição Proponente

Principal Contractor

#### Instituto do Mar

Descrição Description	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total
Recursos Humanos Human resources	0,00	0,00	13.050,00	7.980,00	0,00	<b>21.030,00</b>
Missões Missions	0,00	420,00	7.460,00	2.250,00	0,00	<b>10.130,00</b>
Consultores Consultants	0,00	0,00	2.000,00	3.000,00	0,00	<b>5.000,00</b>
Aquisição de bens e serviços Service procurement and acquisitions	0,00	13.000,00	10.500,00	8.000,00	0,00	<b>31.500,00</b>
Registo de patentes Patent registration	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	<b>0,00</b>
Adaptação de edifícios e instalações Adaptation of buildings and facilities	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	<b>0,00</b>
Gastos gerais Overheads	0,00	3.424,00	6.602,00	4.246,00	0,00	<b>14.272,00</b>
<b>TOTAL DESPESAS CORRENTES</b> <b>TOTAL CURRENT EXPENSES</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>16.844,00</b>	<b>39.612,00</b>	<b>25.476,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>81.932,00</b>
Equipamento Equipment	0,00	3.700,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	<b>3.700,00</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>20.544,00</b>	<b>39.612,00</b>	<b>25.476,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>85.632,00</b>

#### Instituições Participantes

Participating Institutions

#### Centro de Investigação Marinha e Ambiental

Descrição Description	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total
Recursos Humanos Human resources	0,00	13.050,00	7.980,00	0,00	0,00	<b>21.030,00</b>
Missões Missions	0,00	5.490,00	4.620,00	960,00	0,00	<b>11.070,00</b>
Consultores Consultants	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	<b>0,00</b>
Aquisição de bens e serviços Service procurement and acquisitions	0,00	3.500,00	4.000,00	1.000,00	0,00	<b>8.500,00</b>
Registo de patentes Patent registration	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	<b>0,00</b>
Adaptação de edifícios e instalações Adaptation of buildings and facilities	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	<b>0,00</b>
Gastos gerais Overheads	0,00	7.970,00	3.320,00	392,00	0,00	<b>11.682,00</b>
<b>TOTAL DESPESAS CORRENTES</b> <b>TOTAL CURRENT EXPENSES</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>30.010,00</b>	<b>19.920,00</b>	<b>2.352,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>52.282,00</b>
Equipamento Equipment	0,00	17.810,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	<b>17.810,00</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>47.820,00</b>	<b>19.920,00</b>	<b>2.352,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>70.092,00</b>

#### Universidad Rey Juan Carlos

Descrição Description	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total
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Recursos Humanos Human resources	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	<b>0,00</b>
Missões Missions	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	<b>0,00</b>
Consultores Consultants	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	<b>0,00</b>
Aquisição de bens e serviços Service procurement and acquisitions	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	<b>0,00</b>
Registo de patentes Patent registration	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	<b>0,00</b>
Adaptação de edifícios e instalações Adaptation of buildings and facilities	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	<b>0,00</b>
Gastos gerais Overheads	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	<b>0,00</b>
<b>TOTAL DESPESAS CORRENTES</b> TOTAL CURRENT EXPENSES	<b>0,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>
Equipamento Equipment	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	<b>0,00</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>

**Universidade de Vigo-Facultade de Biología**

<b>Descrição</b> Description	<b>2009</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>Total</b>
Recursos Humanos Human resources	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	<b>0,00</b>
Missões Missions	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	<b>0,00</b>
Consultores Consultants	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	<b>0,00</b>
Aquisição de bens e serviços Service procurement and acquisitions	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	<b>0,00</b>
Registo de patentes Patent registration	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	<b>0,00</b>
Adaptação de edifícios e instalações Adaptation of buildings and facilities	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	<b>0,00</b>
Gastos gerais Overheads	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	<b>0,00</b>
<b>TOTAL DESPESAS CORRENTES</b> TOTAL CURRENT EXPENSES	<b>0,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>
Equipamento Equipment	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	<b>0,00</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>

**Orçamento Global**

Global budget

<b>Descrição</b> Description	<b>2009</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>Total</b>
Recursos Humanos Human resources	0,00	13.050,00	21.030,00	7.980,00	0,00	<b>42.060,00</b>
Missões Missions	0,00	5.910,00	12.080,00	3.210,00	0,00	<b>21.200,00</b>
Consultores Consultants	0,00	0,00	2.000,00	3.000,00	0,00	<b>5.000,00</b>
Aquisição de bens e serviços Service procurement and acquisitions	0,00	16.500,00	14.500,00	9.000,00	0,00	<b>40.000,00</b>
Registo de patentes Patent registration	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	<b>0,00</b>

Adaptação de edifícios e instalações Adaptation of buildings and facilities	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	<b>0,00</b>
Gastos gerais Overheads	0,00	11.394,00	9.922,00	4.638,00	0,00	<b>25.954,00</b>
<b>TOTAL DESPESAS CORRENTES</b> <b>TOTAL CURRENT EXPENSES</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>46.854,00</b>	<b>59.532,00</b>	<b>27.828,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>134.214,00</b>
Equipamento Equipment	0,00	21.510,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	<b>21.510,00</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>68.364,00</b>	<b>59.532,00</b>	<b>27.828,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>155.724,00</b>

### Plano de financiamento

Finance plan

<b>Descrição</b> Description	<b>2009</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>Total</b>
Financiamento solicitado à FCT Requested funding	0,00	68.364,00	59.532,00	27.828,00	0,00	<b>155.724,00</b>
Financiamento próprio Own funding	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	<b>0,00</b>
Outro financiamento público Other public-sector funding	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	<b>0,00</b>
Outro financiamento privado Other private funding	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	<b>0,00</b>
<b>Total do Projecto</b> Total of the project	<b>0,00</b>	<b>68.364,00</b>	<b>59.532,00</b>	<b>27.828,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>155.724,00</b>

## 8. Justificação do orçamento

8. Budget rationale

### 8.1. Justificação dos recursos humanos

8.1. Human resources rationale

<b>Tipo</b> Type	<b>Nº de pessoas</b> No. of persons
(BI) Bolsa de Investigação (Lic. ou Bacharel)	2
<b>Duração (em meses)</b> Duration (in months)	<b>Custo envolvido (€) (calculado)</b> Total cost (€) (estimated)
18	26.820,00

### Justificação do financiamento solicitado

Rationale for requested funding

The intensive field work require two full time BI (Lic.). One BI will be involved in tasks 1 and 2 and will be in charge to construct the synthetic assemblages. The other BI will help in the field work and animal sorting of tasks 3 and 4 and in the preparation of samples for laboratory analyses (istopes). The additional costs concern the insurance for field work and the volunteer social security

<b>Tipo</b> Type	<b>Nº de pessoas</b> No. of persons
(BIC) Bolsa de Iniciação Científica	4
<b>Duração (em meses)</b> Duration (in months)	<b>Custo envolvido (€) (calculado)</b> Total cost (€) (estimated)
6	9.240,00

### Justificação do financiamento solicitado

Rationale for requested funding

This work also requires technical and scientific support. We request two BIC grants (6 months each, one in 2010, two in 2011 and one in 2012) to help experimental set-up and laboratory analyses. These grants will support final year first-degree students, which will be scientifically trained according to the BIC aims. The additional cost concerns the insurance fo field work and the volunteer social insurance

### 8.2. Justificação de missões

8.2. Missions rationale

<b>Tipo</b> Type	<b>Nº de deslocações</b> No. of participations
Trabalho de campo	8

**Local**

Venue

field sites

**Custo envolvido (€)**

Cost (€)

13.300,00

**Justificação do financiamento solicitado**

Rationale for requested funding

Given the large part of our proposal is to collect data in the field and mesocosms after difficult and innovative manipulations of diversity, temperature, CO<sub>2</sub> and addition of invasive species bThe majority of our expenses for mission regard the numerous fieldtrips necessary for doing the field and mesocosm work.

**Tipo**

Type

Participação em congressos

**Nº de deslocações**

No. of participations

4

**Local**

Venue

abroad

**Custo envolvido (€)**

Cost (€)

7.900,00

**Justificação do financiamento solicitado**

Rationale for requested funding

To disseminate the results, we propose to attend at 3 international conferences (2 IMAR and 1 CIMAR), where the major results of our experiments will be brought to attention of the international scientific community

**8.3. Justificação de consultores**

8.3. Consultants rationale

**Nome completo**

Full name

Middelburg, Jacobus

**Instituição**

Institution

NIOO-KNAW

**Fase do projeto**

Project phase

2011-2012

**Custo (€)**

Cost (€)

5.000,00

**Justificação do financiamento solicitado**

Rationale for requested funding

Prof. Middelburg is a well known marine biogeochemist with a worldwide experience on marine coastal carbon recycling and isotope tracing experiments. His help will be fundamental to improve data interpretation and analyse n the task for of the project. Costs are for travelling to and from Netherlands, where Prof. Middelburg lives

**Página na Internet onde pode ser consultado o CV do consultor**

Web page where the consultant's CV can be accessed

<http://194.171.24.200/ppages/jmiddelburg/>**8.4. Justificação de aquisição de bens e serviços**

8.4. Service procurement and acquisitions

**Tipo**

Type

Laboratory analyses and field work consumables

**Custo (€)**

Cost (€)

40.000,00

**Justificação do financiamento solicitado**

Rationale for requested funding

We include here the cost of the reagents for 13C-tracking experiments of task 4 (8000euro, Perkin Elmer H13CO<sub>3</sub>, 99% pure, 20 g), the IRMS analyses (done at the IMAR: 10 euros\* 2000 samples), the cost of propane bottles for using heaters to increase temperature (270 recharges), sampling tubes, filters and reagents for water nutrient analysis with CIIMAR Autoanalyser (tasks 1 and 2), field and laboratory consumables required to run the experiments (Screws, PVC plates, sieves, cool boxes, plastic trays and buckets, silicon tubes, aquarium air pumps, bags).

**8.6. Justificação do Equipamento**

8.6. Equipment rationale

**8.6.1. Equipamento já disponível para a execução do projecto**

8.6.1 Available equipment

**Tipo de equipamento**

Equipment type

Freezers

**Fabricante**

Manufacturer

several

**Modelo**

Model

several

**Ano**

Year

2008

**Tipo de equipamento****Fabricante****Modelo****Ano**

Equipment type	Manufacturer	Model	Year
Stable isotope analyzer (IRSM)	Thermo	Flash EA 1112 Series	2007
<b>Tipo de equipamento</b>	<b>Fabricante</b>	<b>Modelo</b>	<b>Ano</b>
Equipment type	Manufacturer	Model	Year
Working car	Citroen	Berlingo	2002
<b>Tipo de equipamento</b>	<b>Fabricante</b>	<b>Modelo</b>	<b>Ano</b>
Equipment type	Manufacturer	Model	Year
Freeze dryer	SNIJDERS	LY3TTE	2007
<b>Tipo de equipamento</b>	<b>Fabricante</b>	<b>Modelo</b>	<b>Ano</b>
Equipment type	Manufacturer	Model	Year
Computing facilities and peripherals	several	several	2004
<b>Tipo de equipamento</b>	<b>Fabricante</b>	<b>Modelo</b>	<b>Ano</b>
Equipment type	Manufacturer	Model	Year
Stereoscopic Microscope	Leica	several	2001

### 8.6.2. Discriminação do equipamento a adquirir

8.6.2. New equipment requested

Equipamento	Fabricante	Modelo	Custo (€) Cost (€)
Equipment type	Manufacturer	Model	Cost (€)
Gas-powered catalytic heaters (9 units)	Coleman	QuadCat 3000	500,00

### Justificação do financiamento solicitado

Rationale for requested funding

We need to use these camping heater to increase the temperature of any beaches, relative to the experiments of the tasks 3 and 4. Such heaters will be distributed in each patch of sand added with wrack composed of different macroalgae included invasive species

Equipamento	Fabricante	Modelo	Custo (€) Cost (€)
Equipment type	Manufacturer	Model	Cost (€)
HQ40d multiparametric datalogger with LDO & pH probes	Hach-Lange	HQ40D	4.590,00

### Justificação do financiamento solicitado

Rationale for requested funding

We need the probes to check for temperature increase, pH change, and oxygen fluxes. We will need these probes in every experiment relative to any task

Equipamento	Fabricante	Modelo	Custo (€) Cost (€)
Equipment type	Manufacturer	Model	Cost (€)
Additional dissolved oxygen probe (LDO)	Hach-Lange	LDO10105	890,00

### Justificação do financiamento solicitado

Rationale for requested funding

This probe, to be used in the same equipment described above is need to check for differences in oxygen due to the saturation of CO2 in the mesocosms and to check for changes in oxygen during decomposition of wrack

Equipamento	Fabricante	Modelo	Custo (€) Cost (€)
Equipment type	Manufacturer	Model	Cost (€)
Incubator chambers	Acripol	n.a.	1.000,00

### Justificação do financiamento solicitado

Rationale for requested funding

Transparent perplex incubation chambers with water pumps to perform incubations in temperature and light controlled conditions. They will be used to measure primary productivity and nutrient uptake during experiments included in tasks 1 & 2.

Equipamento	Fabricante	Modelo	Custo (€) Cost (€)
Equipment type	Manufacturer	Model	Cost (€)
IRGA	Licor	Li 820	5.900,00

**Justificação do financiamento solicitado**

Rationale for requested funding

Infrared gas analyser to measure air CO<sub>2</sub> concentrations. This machine will be used in the experiments including pCO<sub>2</sub> chanbes (Task 1 & 2).

<b>Tipo de equipamento</b> Equipment type	<b>Fabricante</b> Manufacturer	<b>Modelo</b> Model	<b>Custo (€)</b> Cost (€)
Rock saw	Sigma	Dakar	950,00

**Justificação do financiamento solicitado**

Rationale for requested funding

This equipment will allow to cut and shape the pieces necessary to construct the synthetic macroalgal assemblages included in task 2. Dr F. Arenas has expertise in the use of these machines.

<b>Tipo de equipamento</b> Equipment type	<b>Fabricante</b> Manufacturer	<b>Modelo</b> Model	<b>Custo (€)</b> Cost (€)
CO <sub>2</sub> increasing system	Onset	Hobo	1.050,00

**Justificação do financiamento solicitado**

Rationale for requested funding

Underwater temperature loggers

<b>Tipo de equipamento</b> Equipment type	<b>Fabricante</b> Manufacturer	<b>Modelo</b> Model	<b>Custo (€)</b> Cost (€)
2 Mini laptop Computer (3 unidades)	Asus	Eee PC 1000H Black Windows	1.350,00

**Justificação do financiamento solicitado**

Rationale for requested funding

This equipment will be the datalogger connected to the IRGA gas analyzer

<b>Tipo de equipamento</b> Equipment type	<b>Fabricante</b> Manufacturer	<b>Modelo</b> Model	<b>Custo (€)</b> Cost (€)
CO <sub>2</sub> cylinders and re-charge	n.a.	n.a.	2.390,00

**Justificação do financiamento solicitado**

Rationale for requested funding

to increase CO<sub>2</sub> It includes liquid air L-50-mezcla cristal. Regulator-reductor HBS 240-3-2. 5 cpm

<b>Tipo de equipamento</b> Equipment type	<b>Fabricante</b> Manufacturer	<b>Modelo</b> Model	<b>Custo (€)</b> Cost (€)
CO <sub>2</sub> gas flux regulators	n.a.	n.a.	2.890,00

**Justificação do financiamento solicitado**

Rationale for requested funding

kit with 2 flux valves (395 euros/unidad) x 2. Two Aalborg tubes (350 euros/unidad) x 6, which serve to connect the mesocosms to the CO<sub>2</sub> bottles

**8.7. Justificação de registo de patentes**

8.7. Patent registration

(Vazio)  
(Void)**8.8. Justificação de adaptação de edifícios e instalações**

8.8. Adaptation of buildings and facilities

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(Void)**9. Ficheiros Anexos**

9. Attachments



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