



UK Ocean Acidification
Research Programme
Benthic Acidification



Population effects of OA in intertidal gastropods: *Nucella lapillus* and *Osilinus lineatus*

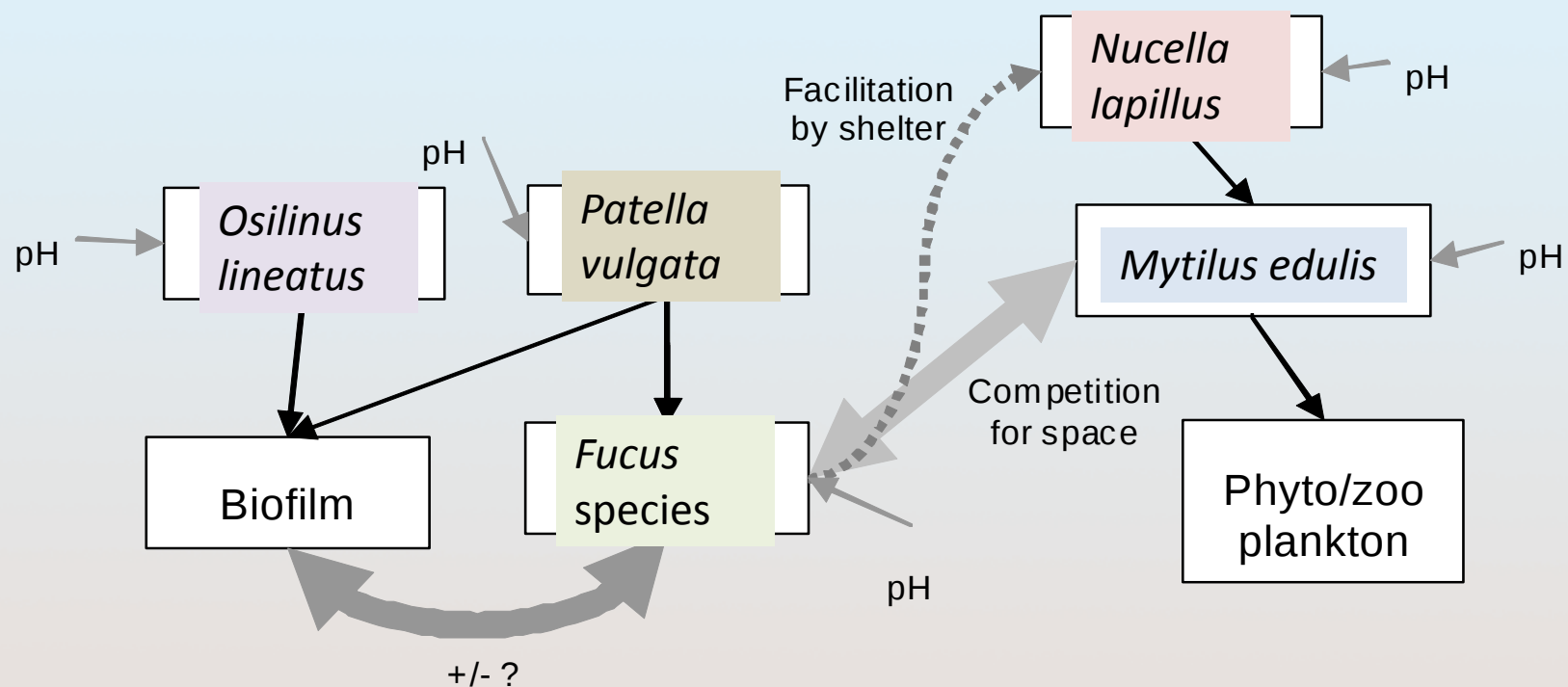
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UK rocky shore species interactions







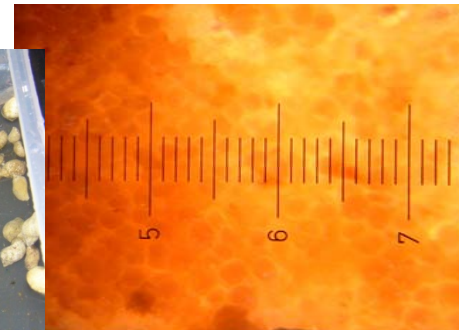
Experimental manipulations of temperature and CO₂....

Task 1.3. Compare the vulnerability of different life stages and model the implications for population dynamics (Mike Burrows, SAMS)

- H₀: Elevated CO₂ x temperature will have no significant impact on the long-term sustainability of marine invertebrate populations

Experiments

- 18 month microcosm exposure experiment at the MBA, CO₂ (380, 750, 1000ppm × temperature (L4 monthly SST, SST +4°C)
 - *Osilinus lineatus*, *Nucella lapillus* gonad development and spawning time



...Combined with published data...

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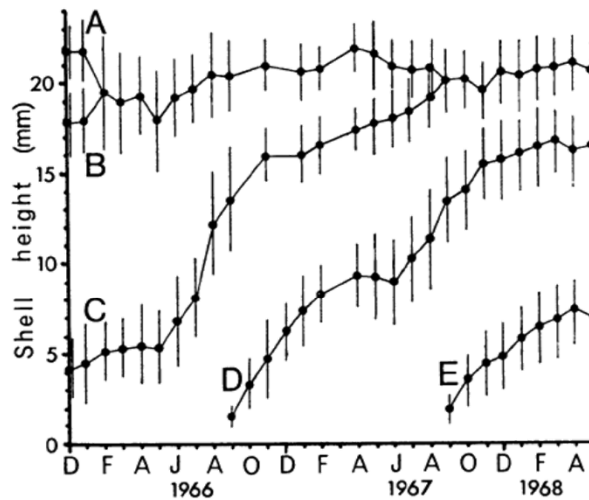
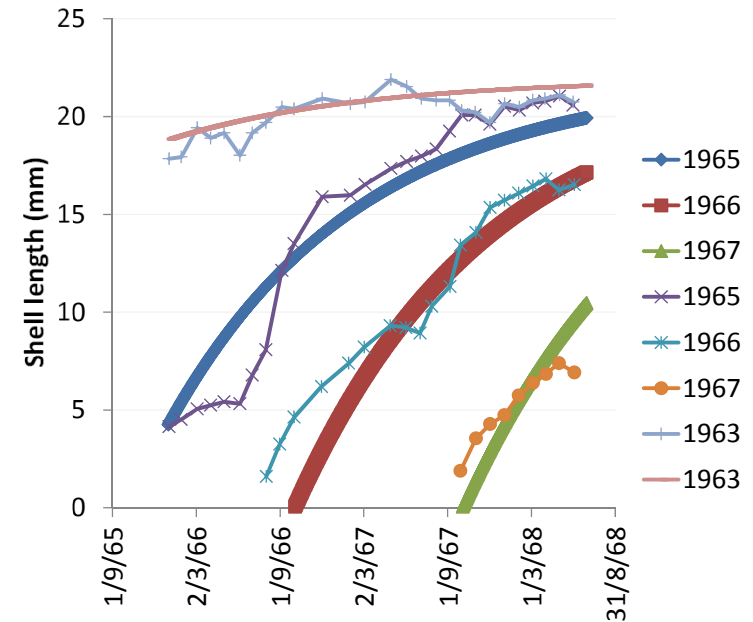


Fig. 2. The mean monthly shell heights and their standard deviations for each age group from December 1965 to May 1968. *A* 1963 group and older; *B* 1964 group; *C* 1965 group; *D* 1966 group; *E* 1967 group



$$L_t = L_{\infty}(1 - e^{-K(t-t_0)})$$

... to make population models

Age based model for *Nucella*

Survival

Fecundity

Nucella lapillus

Exposed shore populations

Survivorship

From Feare 1970 (from Etter 1989)

A function of sx (size) Fecundity

from Etter 1989

From Feare
1970 and Etter
1989

Cumulative
survival

Size (mm)

fij

12-
month
step
model
Age
(months),
x

Survival
probabilities

Fecundity

Survivorsh

Stage	Age, x	lx	sx	No eggs per capsule	No capsule per year	sexually mature	fertile	mx	lxmx	xlxmx	e-rlxmx	e-rlxl	Vx	Pij	fij	lx
0	1	1	2	19.5	22	0	1	0	0	0	0	1.000E+00	1	0	0	1
12	2	0.06	14	19.5	22	0	1	0	0.00000	0	0.000E+00	6.000E-02	19	12	0.06	0
24	3	0.0036	17	19.5	22	0.6	1	257.4	0.92664	2.77992	9.266E-01	3.600E-03	316	24	0.12	257.4
36	4	0.000432	19	19.5	22	1	1	429	0.18533	0.741312	1.853E-01	4.320E-04	485	36	0.12	429
48	5	0.00005184	20	19.5	22	1	1	429	0.02224	0.111197	2.224E-02	5.184E-05	463	48	0.08	429
60	6	4.1472E-06	21	19.5	22	1	1	429	0.00178	0.010675	1.779E-03	4.147E-06	429	60	0.08	429

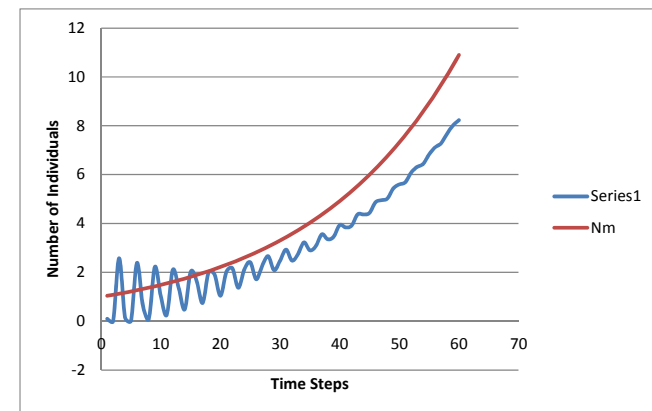
Transition Matrix

Age, months	From	0	12	24	36	48	60+
To	0	0.0000	0.0000	257.4000	429.0000	429.0000	429.0000
	12	0.0600	0	0	0	0	0
	24	0	0.0600	0	0	0	0
	36	0	0	0.1200	0	0	0
	48	0	0	0	0.1200	0	0
60+	0	0	0	0	0	0.0800	0.0800

Age
time (x12month)

Age	0	12	24	36	48	60
1	0	0	0	0	0	0.1
2	42.9	0	0	0	0	0
3	0	2.574	0	0	0	0
4	0	0	0.15444	0	0	0
5	39.75286	0	0	0.0185328	0	0
6	7.950571	2.38517136	0	0	0.002223936	0
7	0.954069	0.477034272	0.143110282	0	0	0.000178
8	36.91291	0.057244113	0.028622056	0.017173234	0	0
9	14.73463	2.214774718	0.003434647	0.003434647	0.002060788	0
10	3.24162	0.884078076	0.132886483	0.000412158	0.000412158	0.000165

Sum1+	Nm
0.1	1.0406122
0	1.0828738
2.574	1.1268517
0.15444	1.1726156
0.018533	1.2202382
2.387395	1.2697948
0.620322	1.3213639
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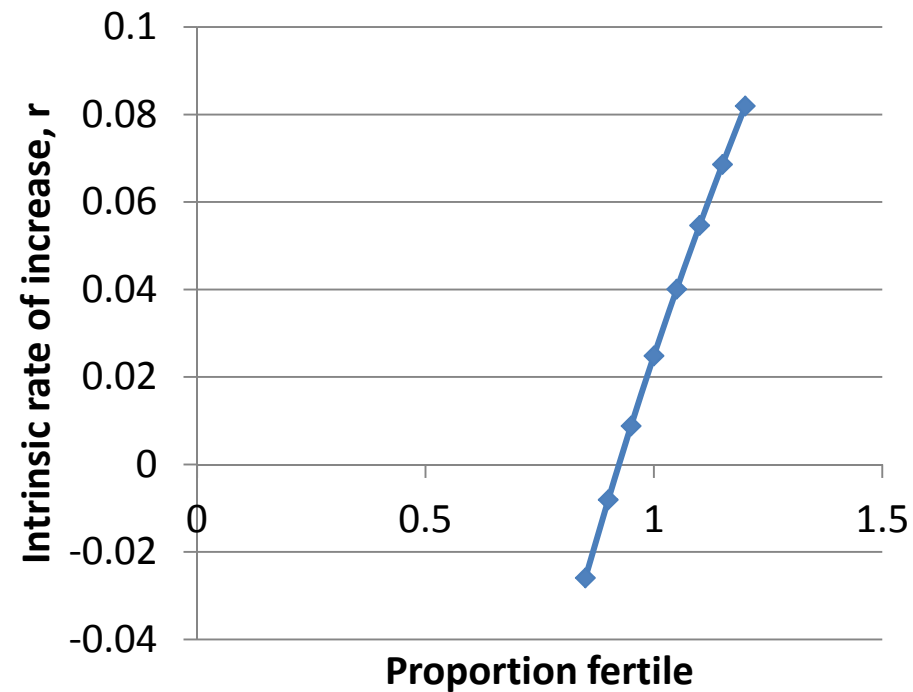
Number at age

Population growth or decline

...to determine likely population effects

Euler Lotka equation

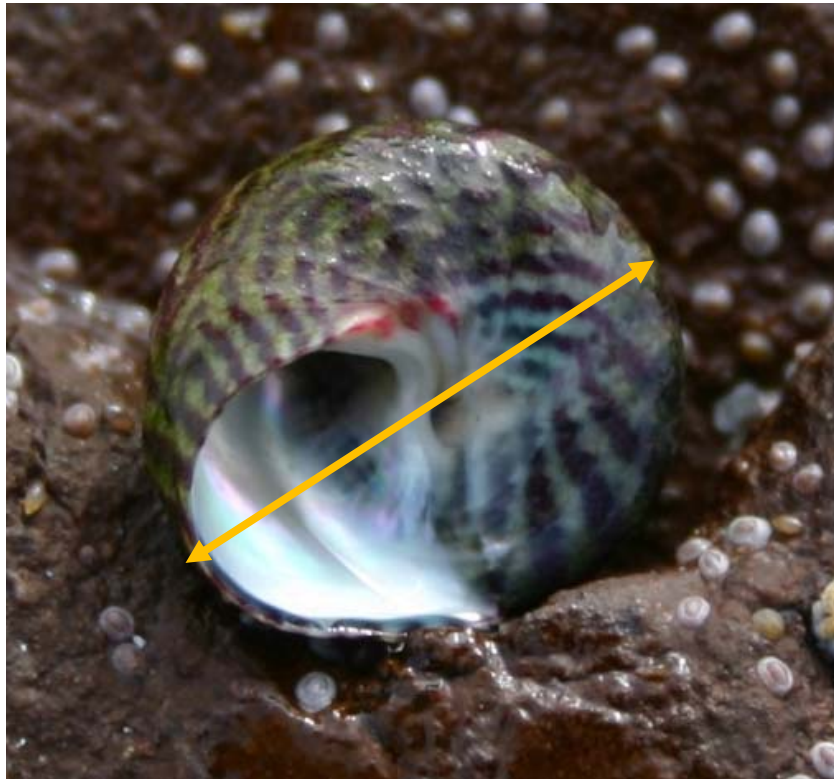
$$\sum_{x=1}^{\infty} e^{-rx} F_x L_x = 1$$







Shell dimensions



width

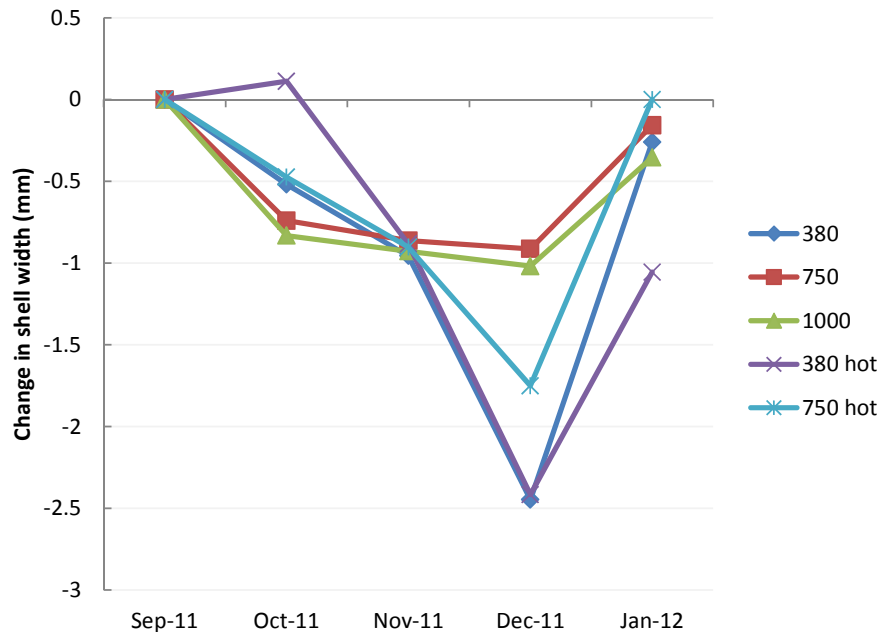


height

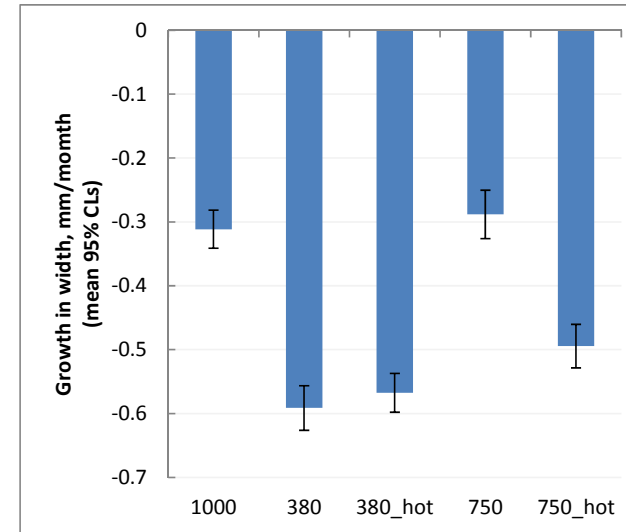
(Gibbula umbilicalis)



Osilinus lineatus – shell width



- Shells lose width in all treatments over the first four months, but greater at increased temps and 380
- A strong reversal in month five



Width loss similar at 380 ambient and 'hot', but > in 'hot' at 750

Source	DF	F Value	Pr > F	Error
Treat	4	24.15	<.0001	
Tank(Treat)	15	3.12	<.0001	Tank(Treat)

Excluding 1000ppm

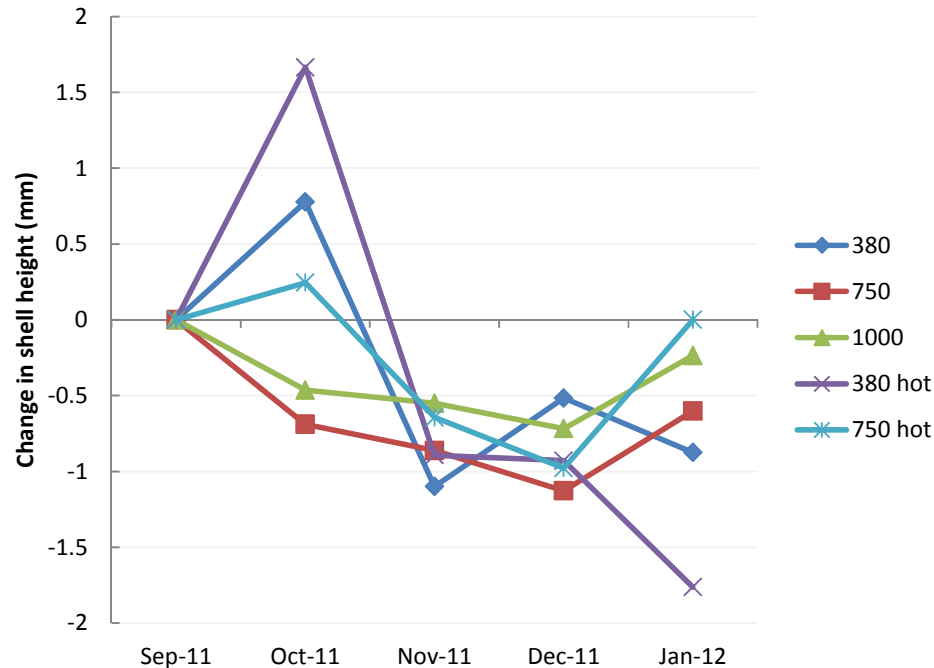
CO2	1	34.78	<.0001	Tank(CO2*Tei
Temp	1	8.30	0.014	Tank(CO2*Tei
CO2*Temp	1	13.79	0.003	Tank(CO2*Tei
Tank(CO2*Temp)	12	3.33	<.0001	

Excluding above ambient (1000 vs 750 vs 380)

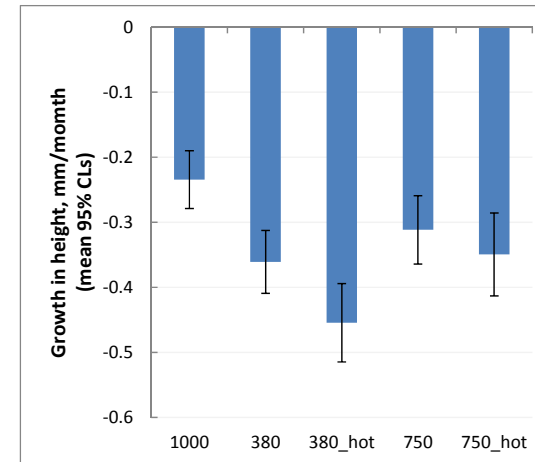
CO2	2	69.39	<.0001	Tank(CO2)
Tank(CO2)	9	1.38	0.195	



Osilinus lineatus – shell height



- Shells initially increase in length at 380, but decrease at 750 and 1000
- Initial increase in length lost after 2 months



Height loss > at 380 and 'hot'
Tank differences significant

Source	DF	F Value	Pr > F	Error
Treat	4	0.76	0.566	Tank(Treat)
Tank(Treat)	15	12.24	<.0001	

Excluding 1000ppm

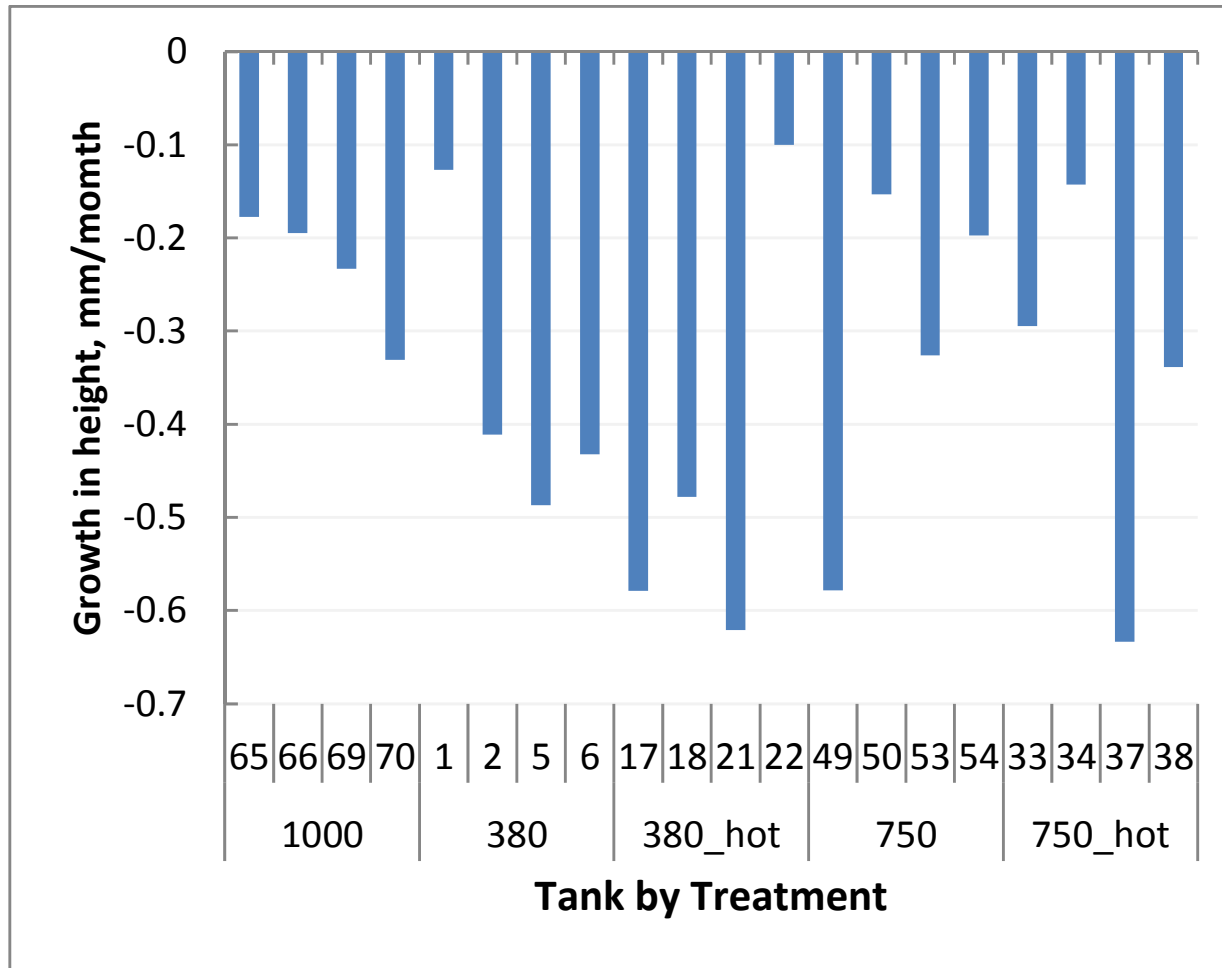
CO2	1	7.37	0.007	Tank(CO2*Tei
Temp	1	5.11	0.024	Tank(CO2*Tei
CO2*Temp	1	0.63	0.429	Tank(CO2*Tei
Tank(CO2*Temp)	12	14.16	<.0001	

Excluding above ambient (1000 vs 750 vs 380)

CO2	2	0.77	0.491	Tank(CO2)
Tank(CO2)	9	10.12	<.0001	



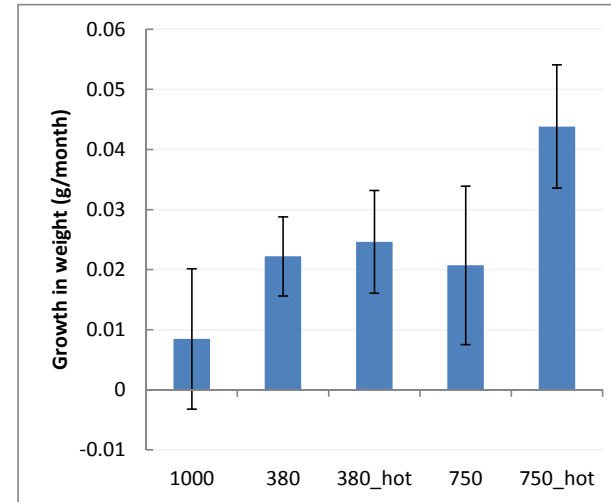
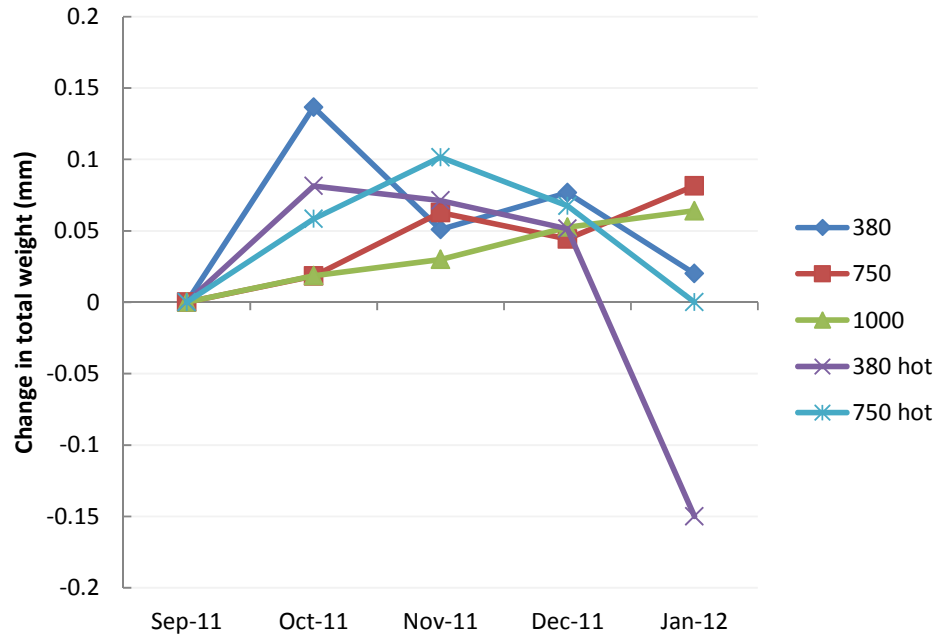
Osilinus lineatus – shell height



Tank by Treatment differences significant



Osilinus lineatus – weight change



Source	DF	F Value	Pr > F	Error
Treat	4	2.34	0.103	Tank(Treat)
Tank(Treat)	15	2.19	0.005	

Excluding 1000ppm

CO2	1	1.70	0.216	Tank(CO2*Te
Temp	1	3.49	0.087	Tank(CO2*Te
CO2*Temp	1	2.85	0.117	Tank(CO2*Te
Tank(CO2*Temp)	12	1.56	0.097	

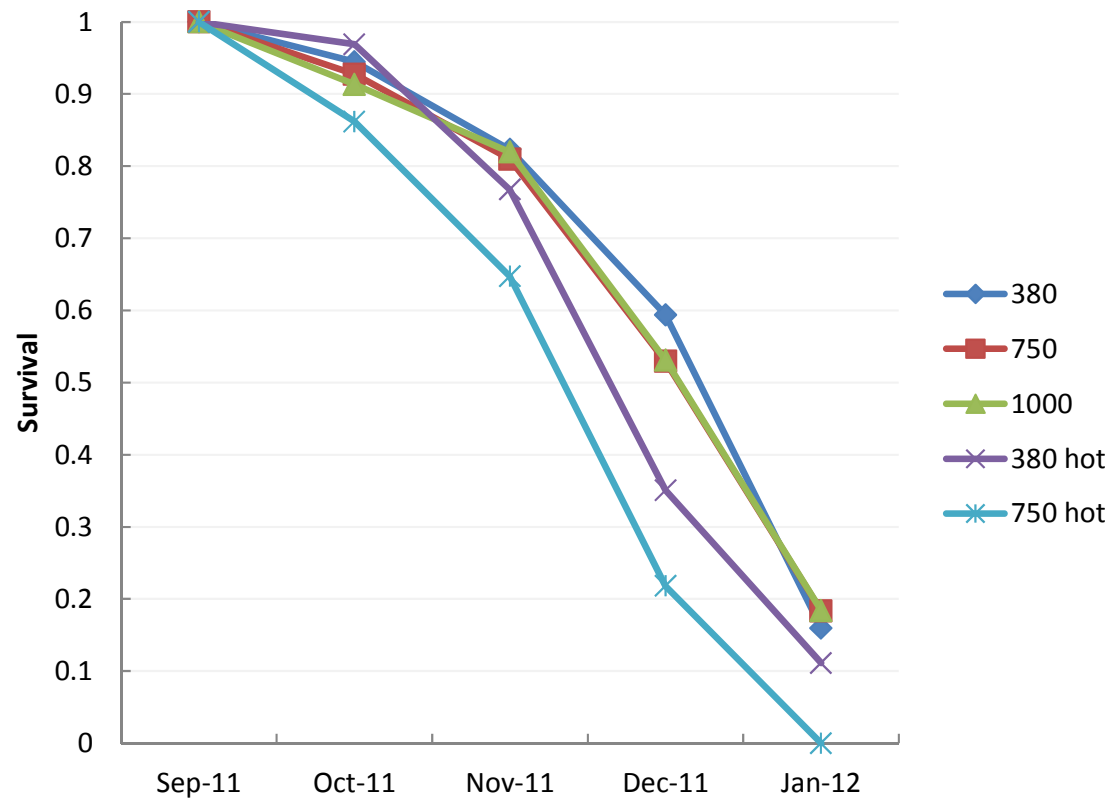
Excluding above ambient (1000 vs 750 vs 380)

CO2	2	0.79	0.483	Tank(CO2)
Tank(CO2)	9	2.49	0.008	

- Weight increase initially faster at 380, and less at 750 and 100
- Weight gain reversed in Dec 11 and Jan 12

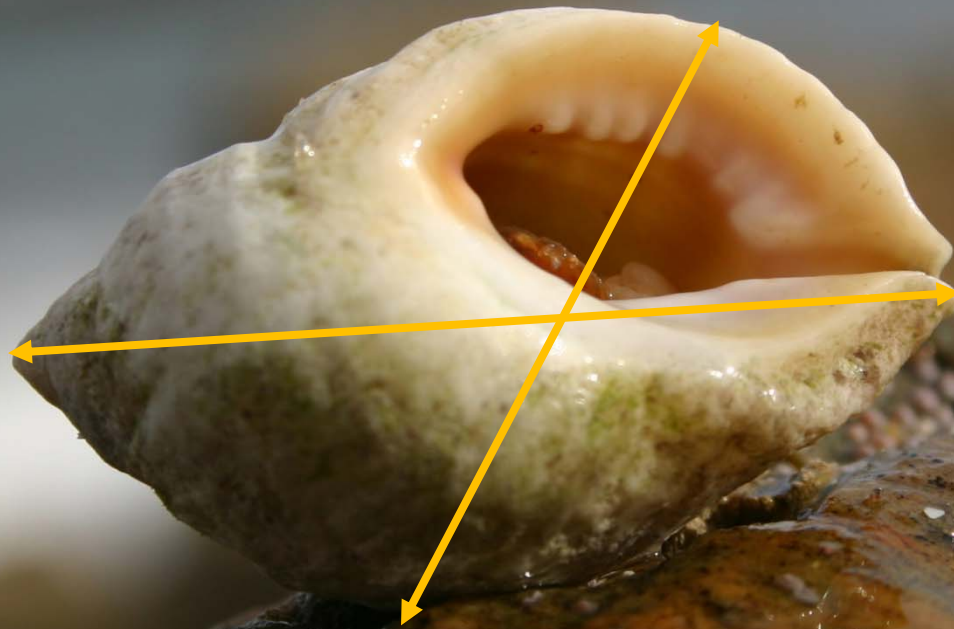


Osilinus lineatus – survival



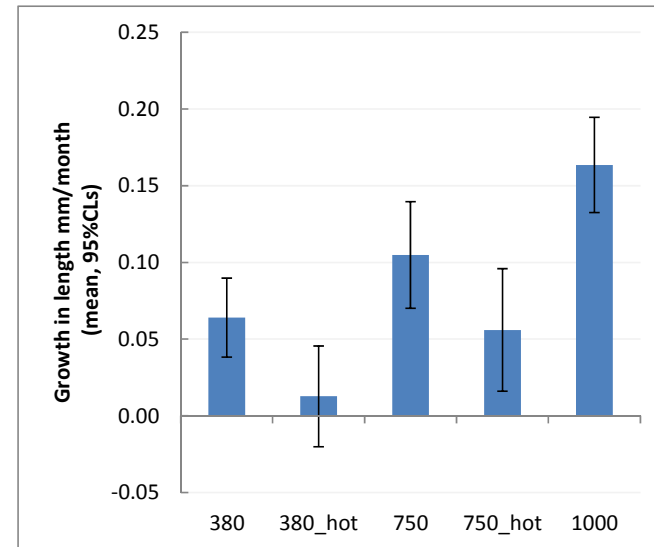
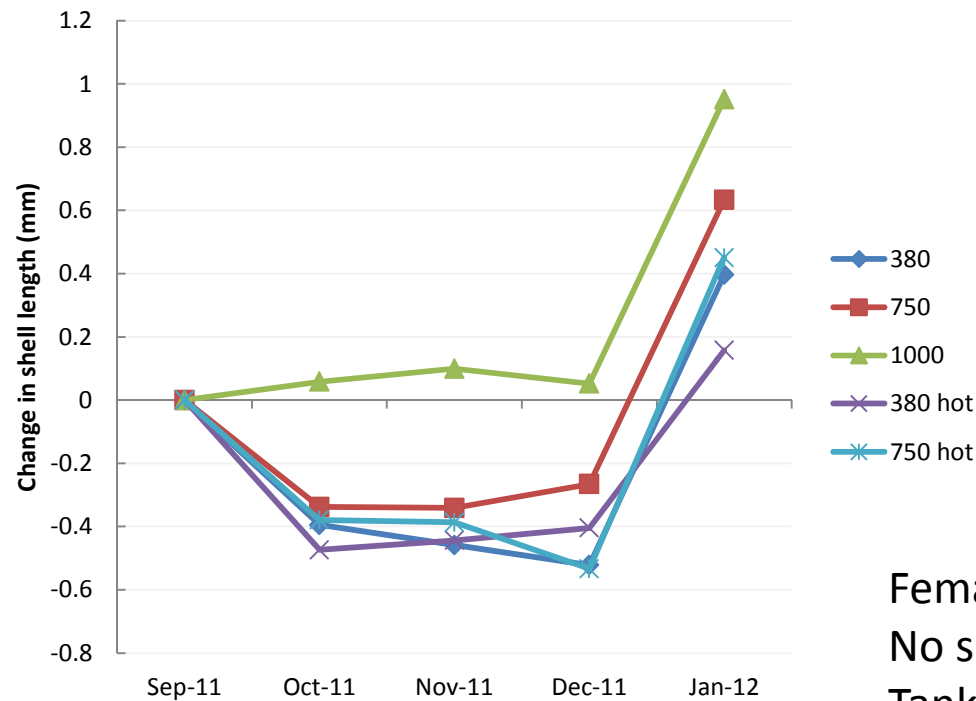
- Survival declines rapidly beyond three months
- Survival least in high temperature treatments

Nucella lapillus





Nucella lapillus – shell length



Female growth > Male

No significant differences among treatments

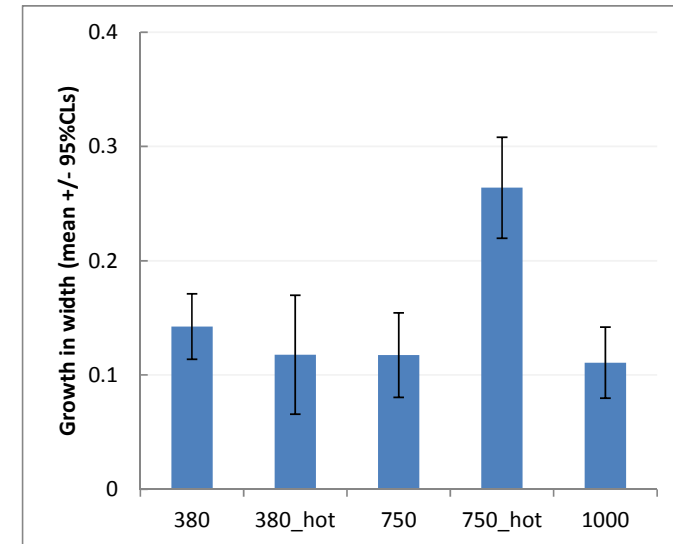
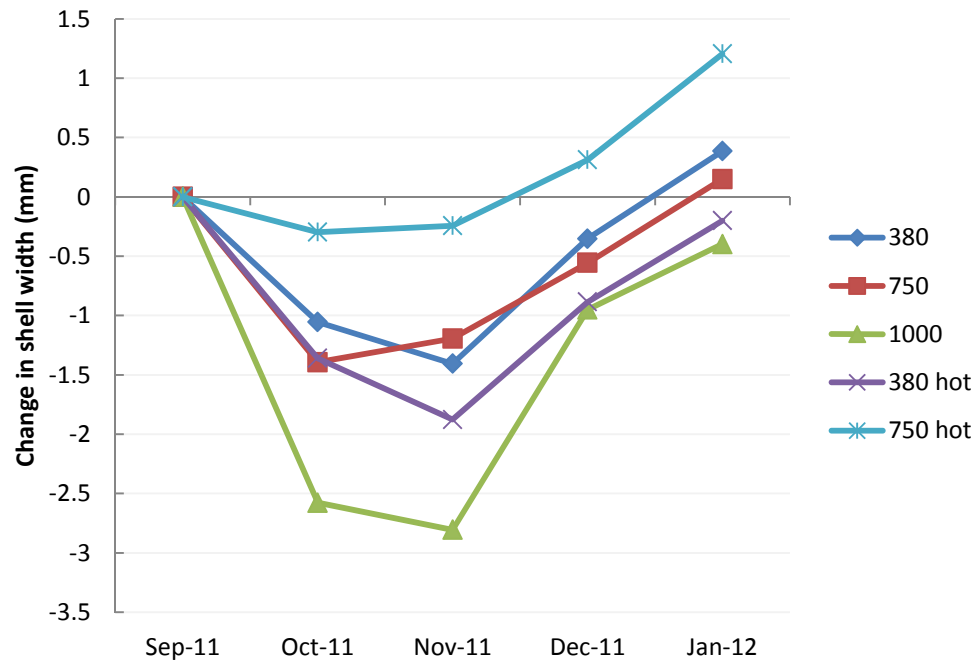
Tank differences significant

- Shells decrease in length in all but 1000 then increase after month 4
- Increase greater in 750 and 1000

Source	DF	F Value	Pr > F	Error
Treatment	4	2.81	0.064	Tank(Trt)
Sex	1	4.98	0.041	Sex*Tank(Trt)
Treatment*Sex	4	0.94	0.469	Sex*Tank(Trt)
Tank(Treatment)	15	3.28	<.0001	Residual
Sex*Tank(Treatment)	15	1.75	0.038	Residual



Nucella lapillus – shell width

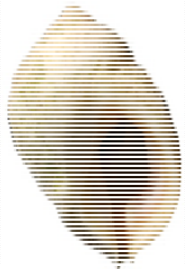


No significant differences among treatments

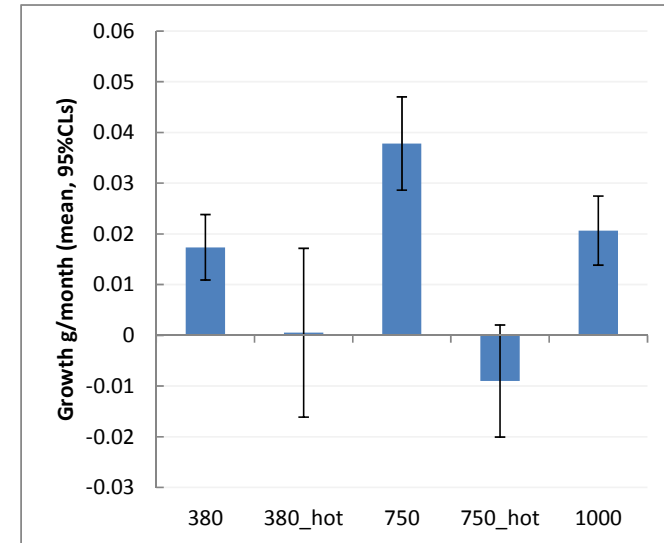
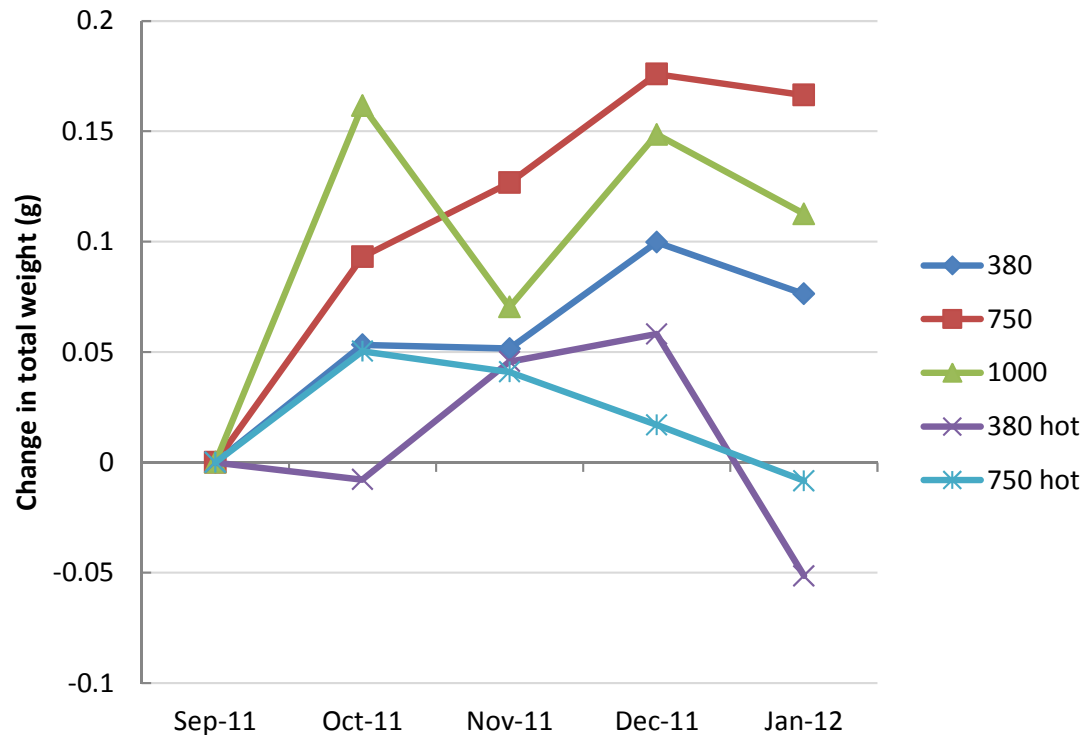
Tank differences significant

- Shells lose width in all treatments over the first three months, then gain steadily
- Loss greatest in 1000, but least in 750 hot

Source	DF	F Value	Pr > F	Error
Treatment	4	1.08	0.402	Tank(Trt)
Sex	1	2.28	0.152	Sex*Tank(Trt)
Treatment*Sex	4	0.38	0.821	Sex*Tank(Trt)
Tank(Treatment)	15	11.46	<.0001	Residual
Sex*Tank(Treatment)	15	2.27	0.004	Residual



Nucella lapillus – weight change



'Hot' < Ambient (P=0.003)
CO2 significant (ex 'hot' P=0.032)

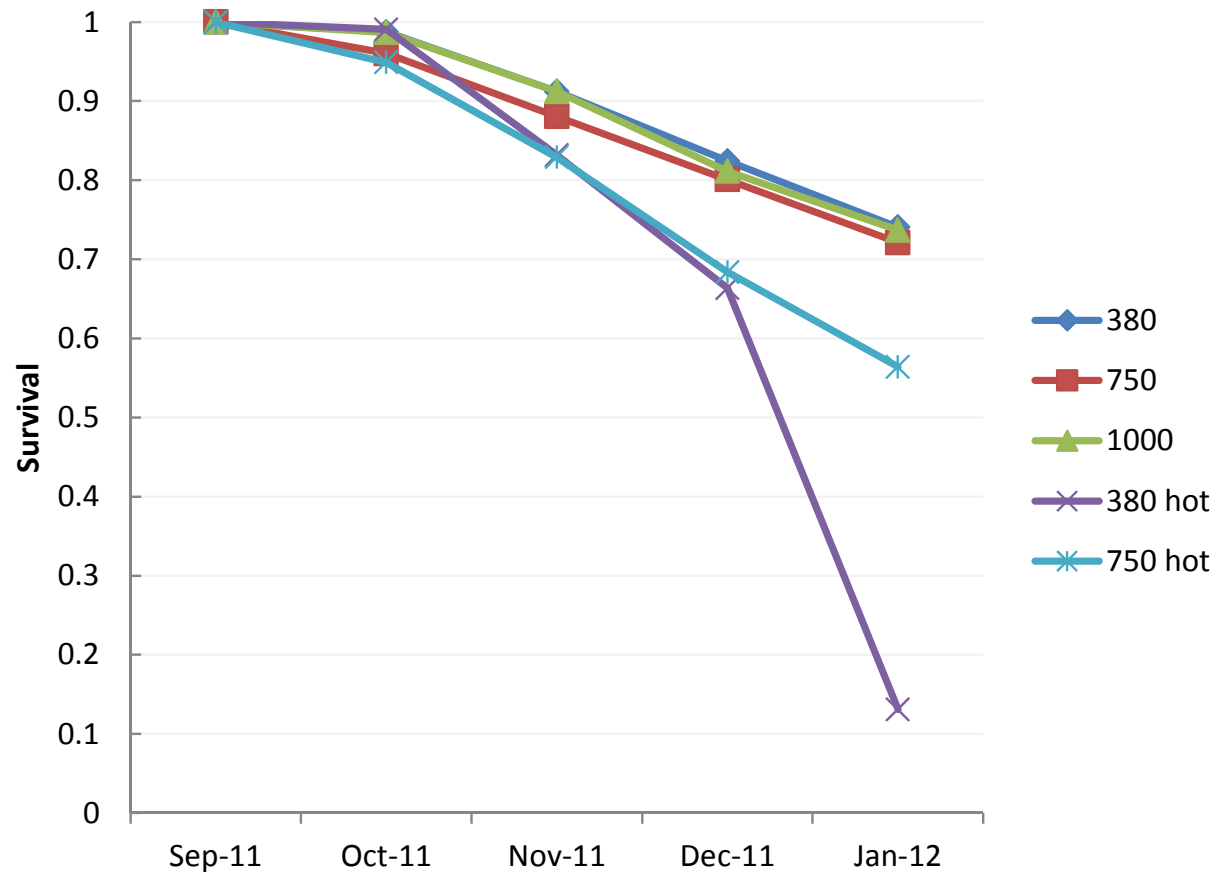
- Nucella increase in weight
- Increase greater in lower temperature treatments

Source	DF	F Value	Pr > F	Error
Treatment	4	8.48	0.001	Tank(Trt)
Sex	1	10.23	0.006	Sex*Tank(Trt)
Treatment*Sex	4	1.31	0.310	Sex*Tank(Trt)
Tank(Treatment)	15	1.76	0.037	Residual
Sex*Tank(Treatment)	15	0.6	0.877	Residual





Nucella lapillus – survival

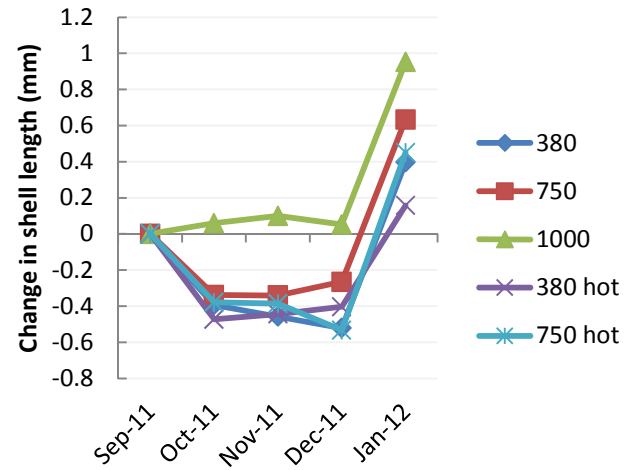


- Survival declines steadily over the period
- Survival least in high temperature treatments

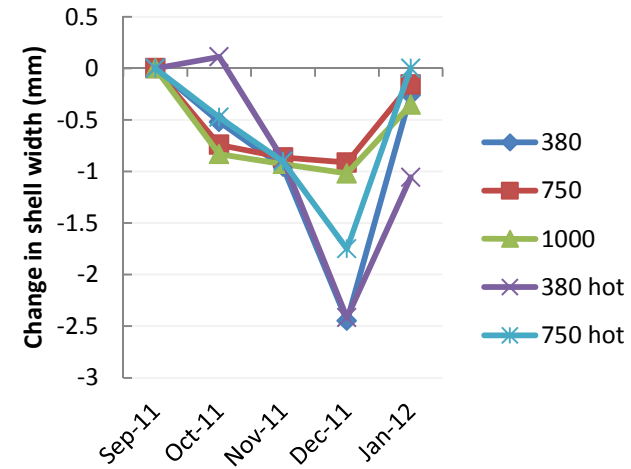
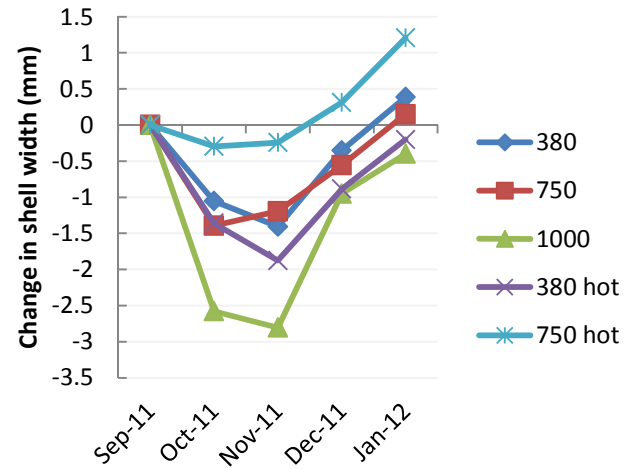
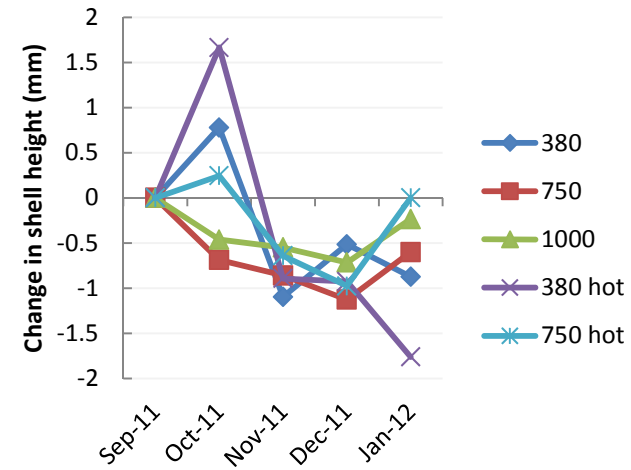
Change in shell size



Nucella

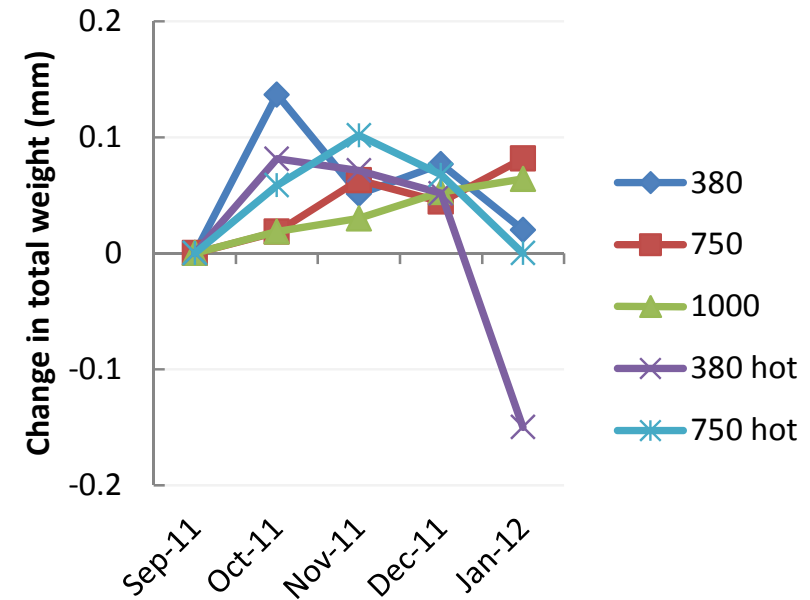
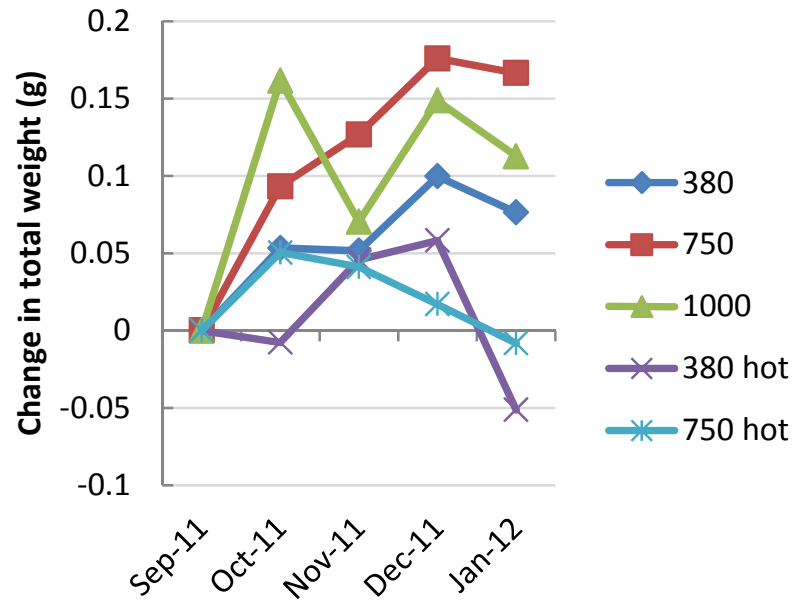


Osilinus



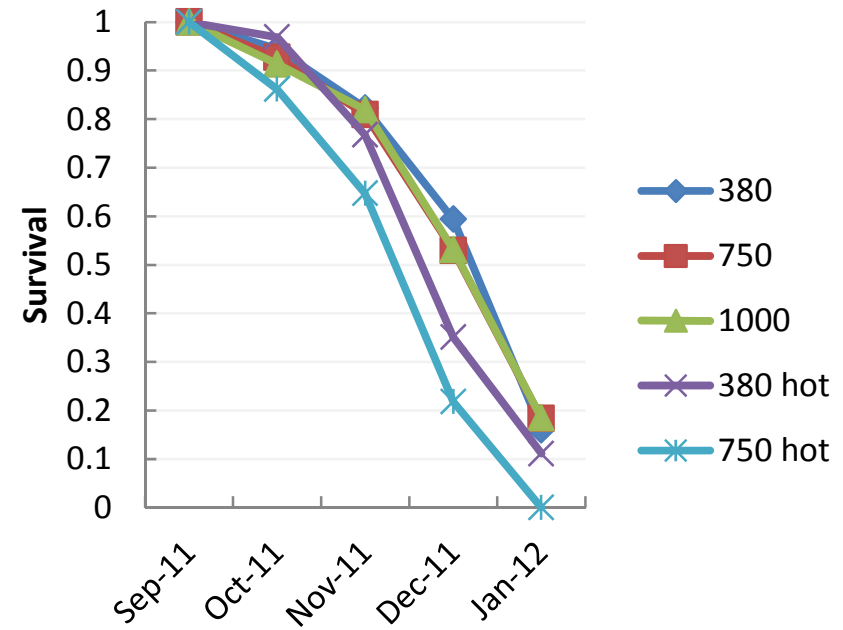
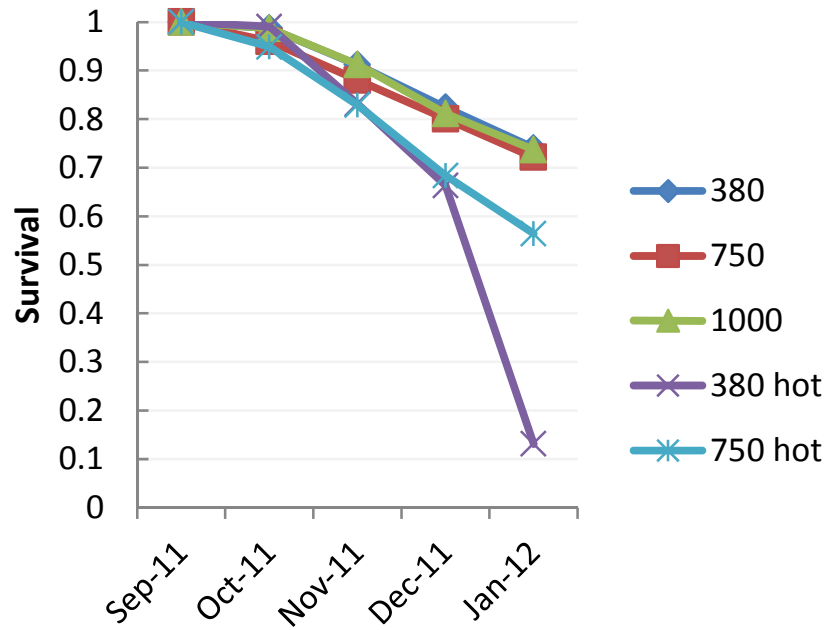
Time-dependent response in both species

Change in weight

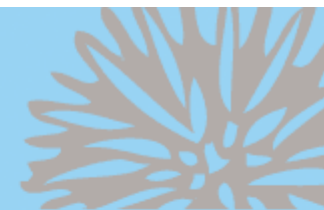


- Weight gain in both species
- Eventual weight loss in increased temperatures
- Weight gain best at ambient temperatures

Survival



- *Nucella* survive better than *Osilinus*
- Poorest survival in increased temperatures
- Survival least where weight loss occurs

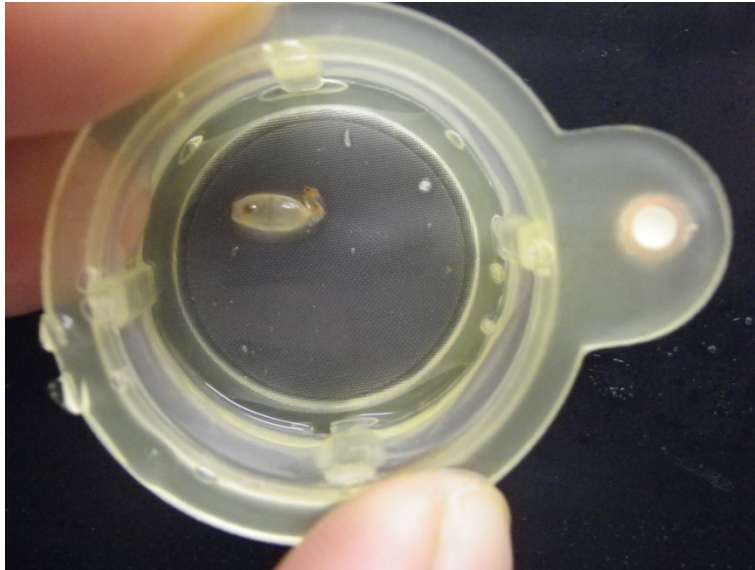


Summary, so far

- Both *Osilinus* and *Nucella* show negative shell growth but weight gain in mesocosms
 - *Osilinus* more negative growth in width and height at 380ppm than 750 and 1000ppm, and more negative in height at 380 and +4°C
 - *Nucella* gain less weight in +4°C and most at 750ppm
 - Initial loss of size is reversed after 5 months
- Survival of both species lowest in +4°C treatments



Short-term (2mo) effects on *Nucella* hatchlings



Field collected capsules

Treatments

380, 380 +4, 750, 750+4, 1000, 1000 +4

Lab-collected capsules from adults in mesocosm treatments – reintroduced into original treatments

Length, width, calcification, weight, survival



Next steps

- Shorter term experiments on juveniles
 - Hatched and developed in mesocosms
- Incorporating mesocosm findings into population models
 - Growth, fecundity and survival