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Chasing a moving target: The intriguing diversity of goniodomins (GD)

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Goniodomins and their producers: an overview

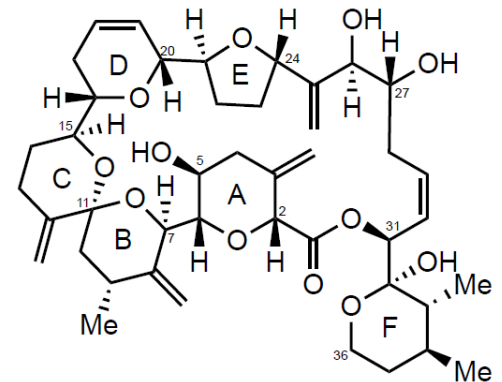
Goniodomin A (GDA) was isolated in 1968 from an unidentified *Alexandrium* species from Puerto Rico (Sharma, G.M. et al. (1968) *Antibiotics*, 21, 659-664)

GDA was rediscovered 20 years later by Murakami et al. from *Alexandrium hiranoi* (initially named *Goniodoma pseudogonyaulax*) (Murakami, M. et al. (1988) *Tetrahedron Lett.* 29, 1149-1152.)

Hsia et al. reported GDA from *Alexandrium monilatum* (Hsia, M.H., et al. (2006) *Harmful Algae* 5, 290-299)

Alexandrium pseudogonyaulax was reported to produce GDA (Zmerli Triki, H. et al. (2016) *Toxicon* 111, 91-99)

Tillmann et al. described *Alexandrium taylorii* as a GDA-producer (Tillmann, U. et al. (2020) *Toxins* 12(9), 564)

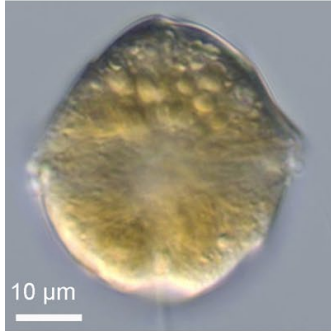


Goniodomin A (GDA)

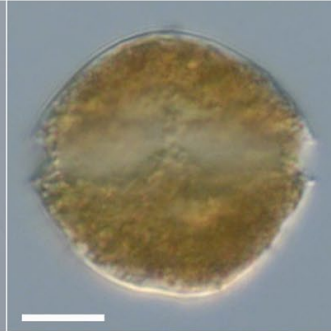


Currently known goniiodomin-producers

*Alexandrium
hiranoi*



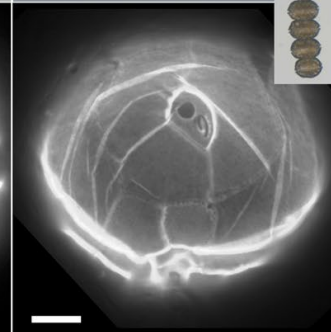
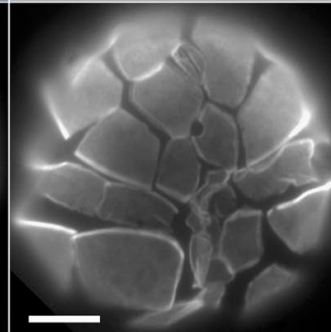
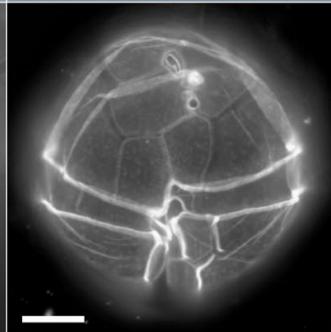
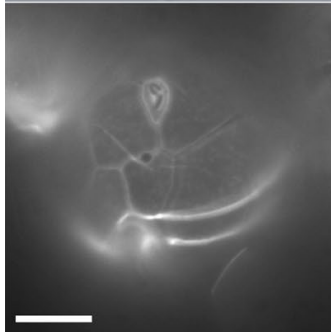
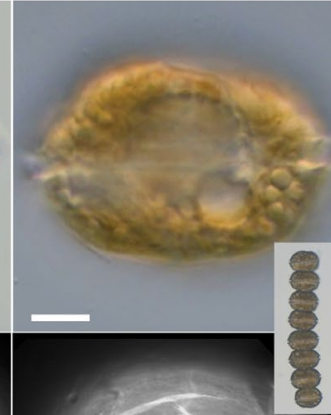
*Alexandrium
taylorii*



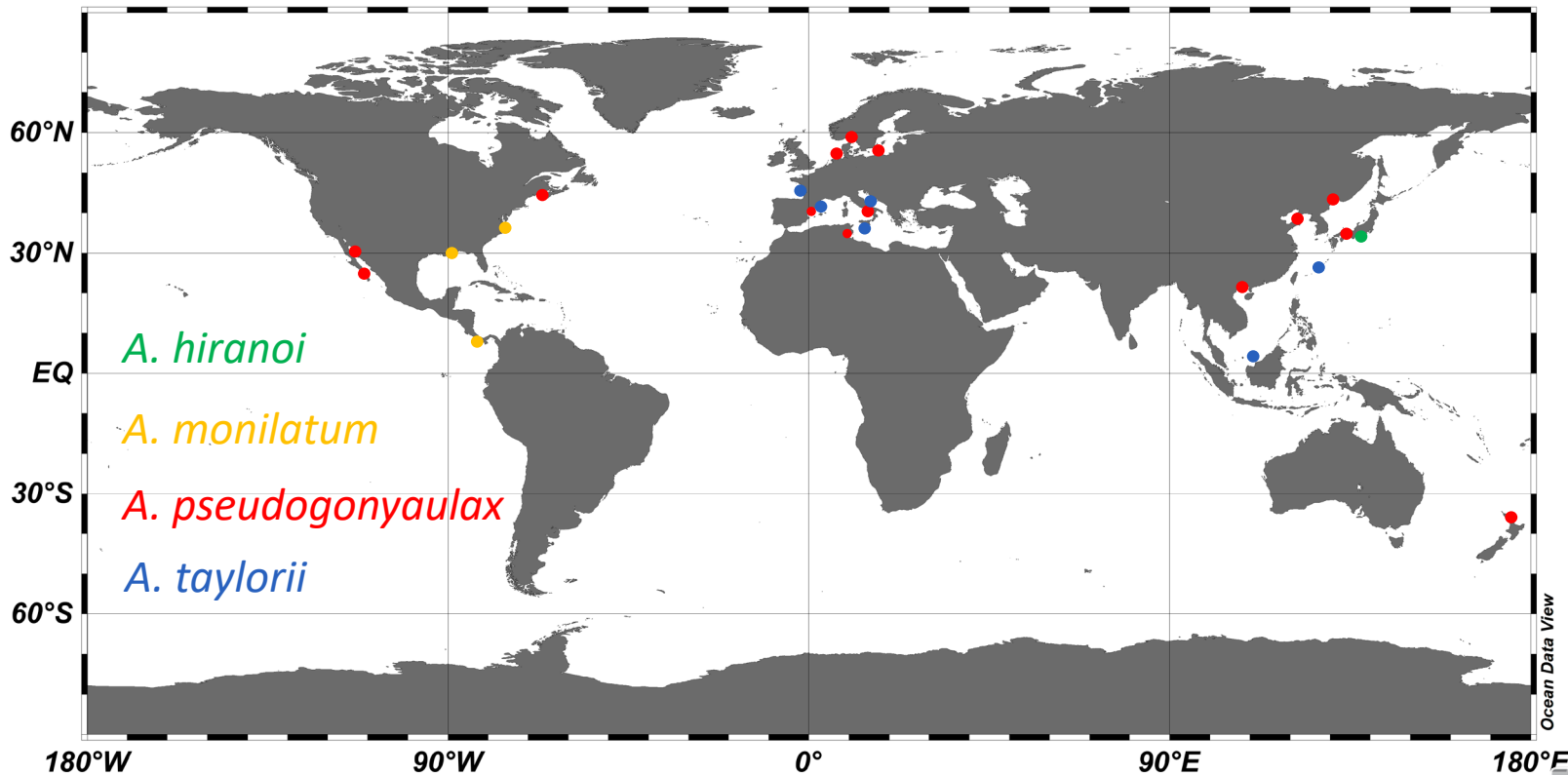
*Alexandrium
pseudogonyaulax*



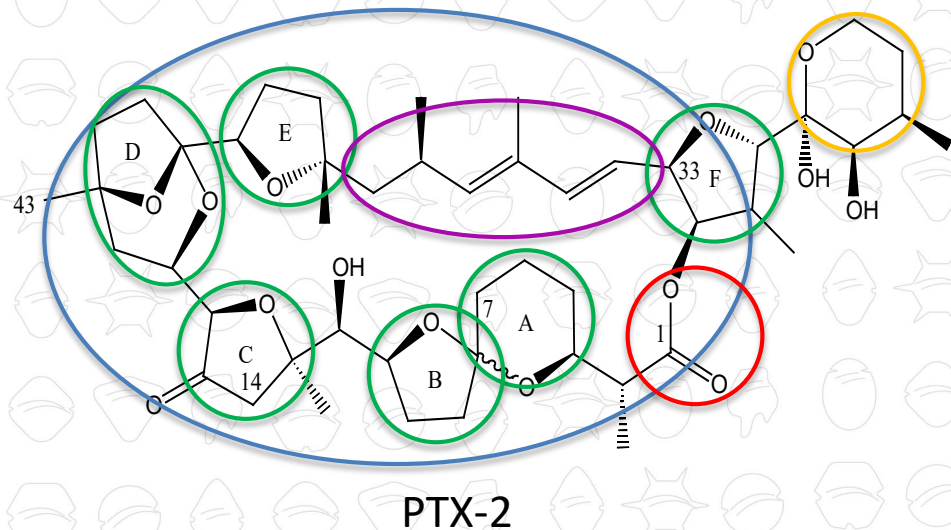
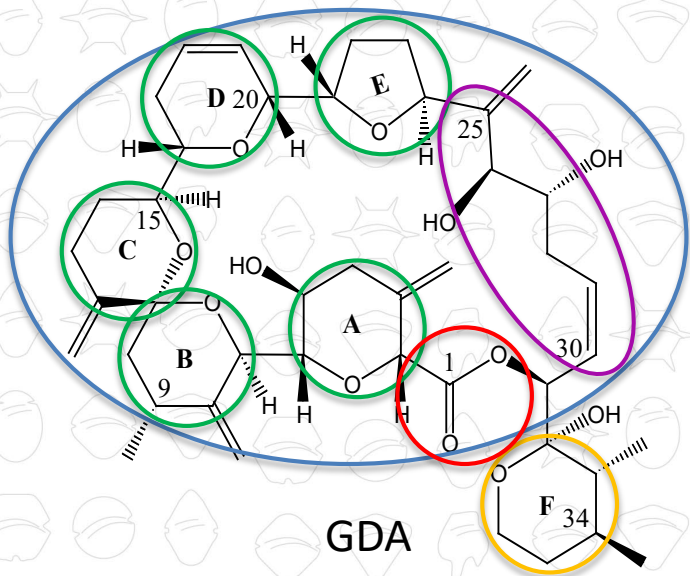
*Alexandrium
monilatum*



Global distribution of goniodomin-producers



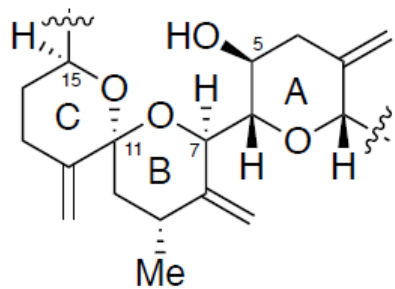
Chemical characteristics of goniodomins



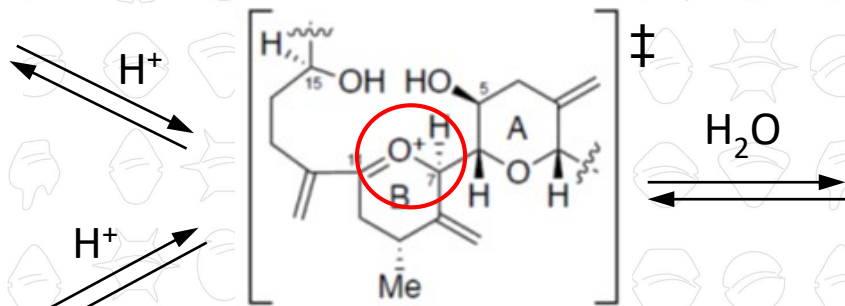
Macrocycle, exocyclic ether ring, ether rings, 6-membered carbon chain, lactone function



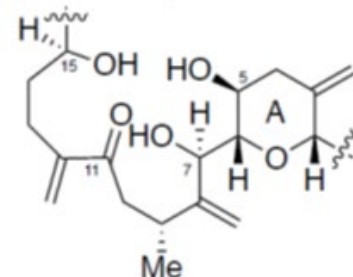
Conversion of goniodomine A (GDA)



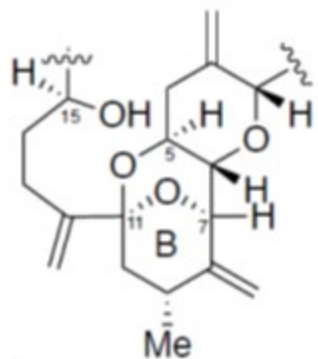
GDA



GDA oxonium ion



GDC



GDB

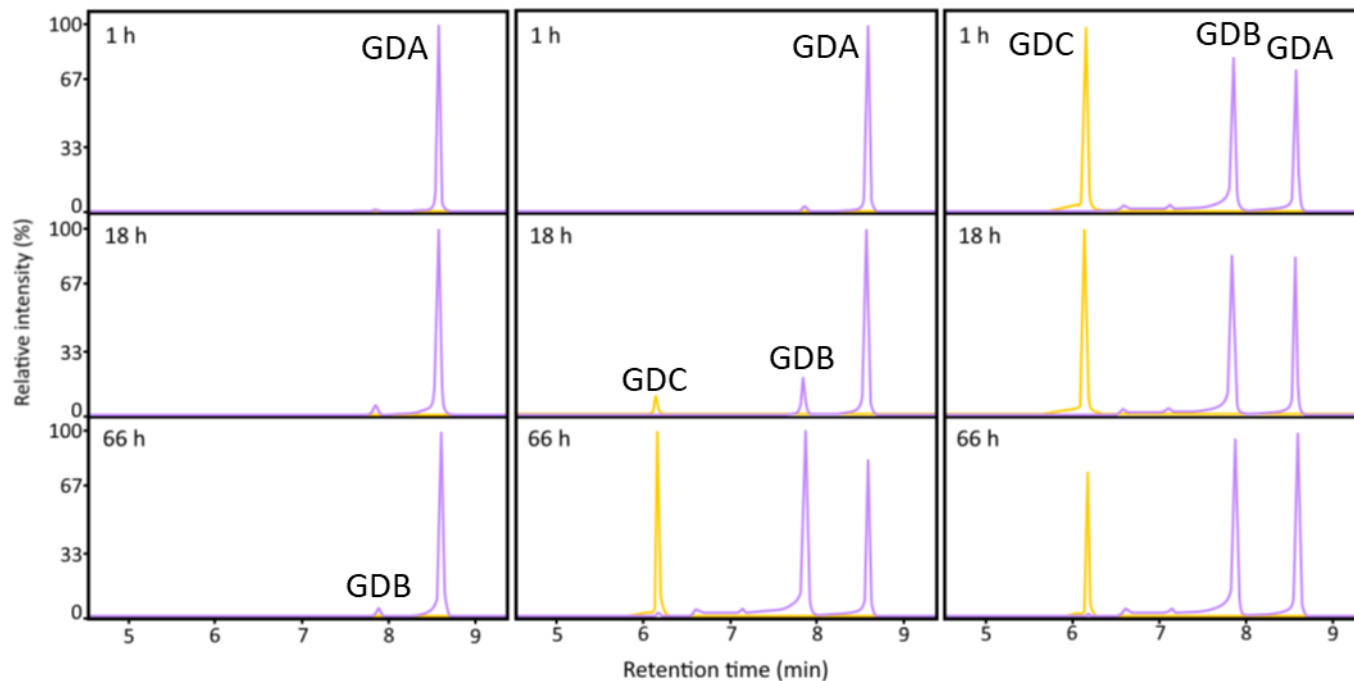


Conversion of goniodomin A (GDA)

MeOH

MeOH:H₂O (1:1)

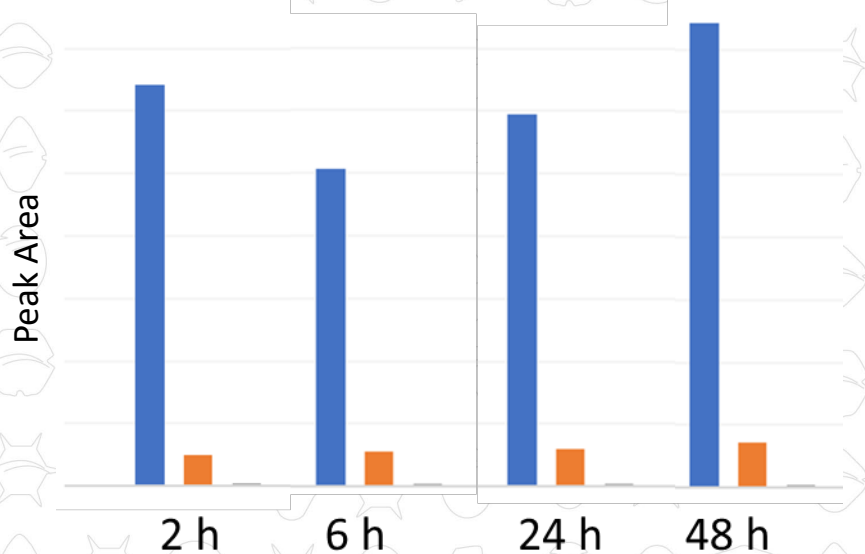
MeOH:H₂O (1:1) +
20 mM formic acid



Stability of GDA under chromatographic conditions

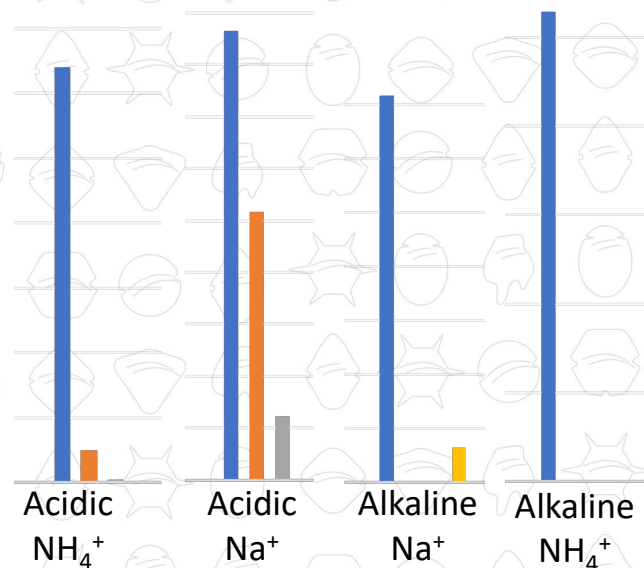


Ammonium Adducts with Acidic Eluent

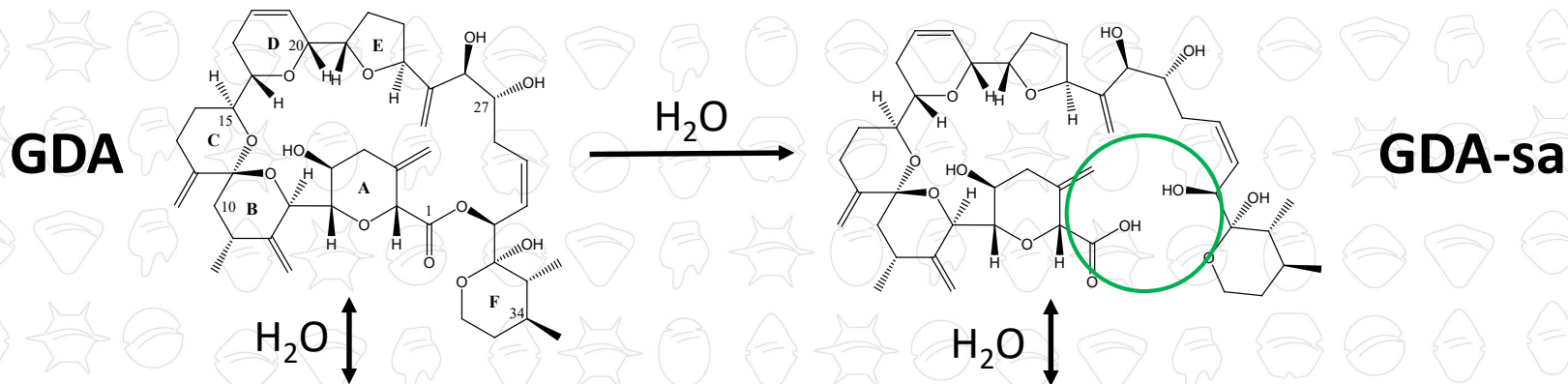


Chromatographic conditions

UPLC, retention time 3 min



Conversions of GDA in the aquatic environment



Hydrolytic ether ring opening

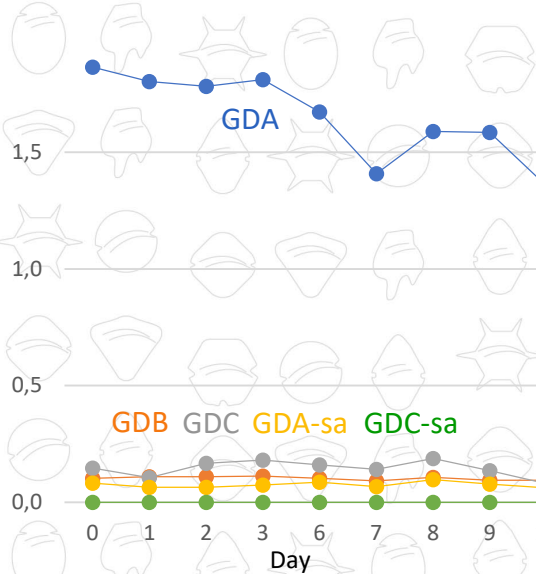
Lactone hydrolysis



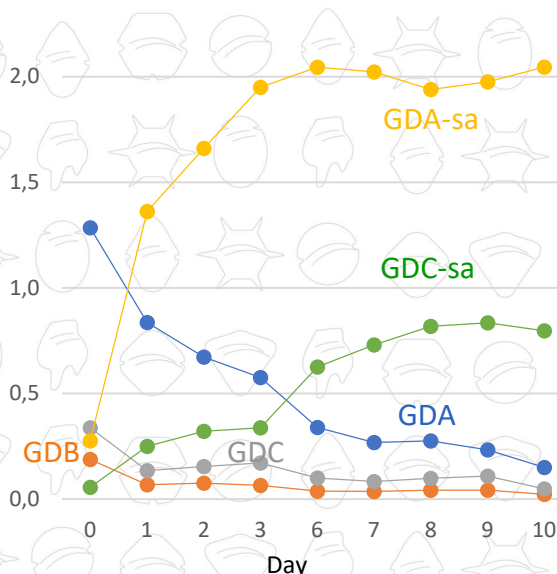
Conversions of GDA in the aquatic environment

Concentration [$\text{ng } \mu\text{L}^{-1}$] GDA equivalents

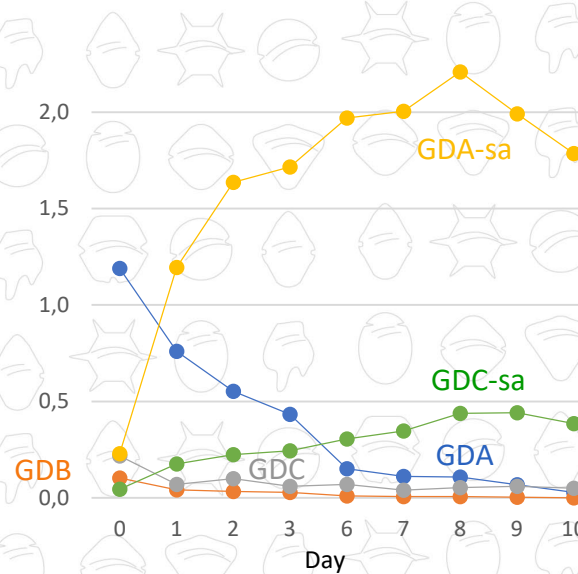
Methanol



Deionized water



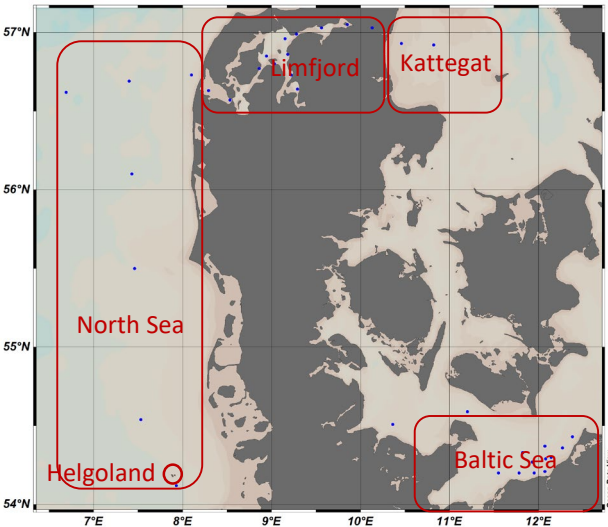
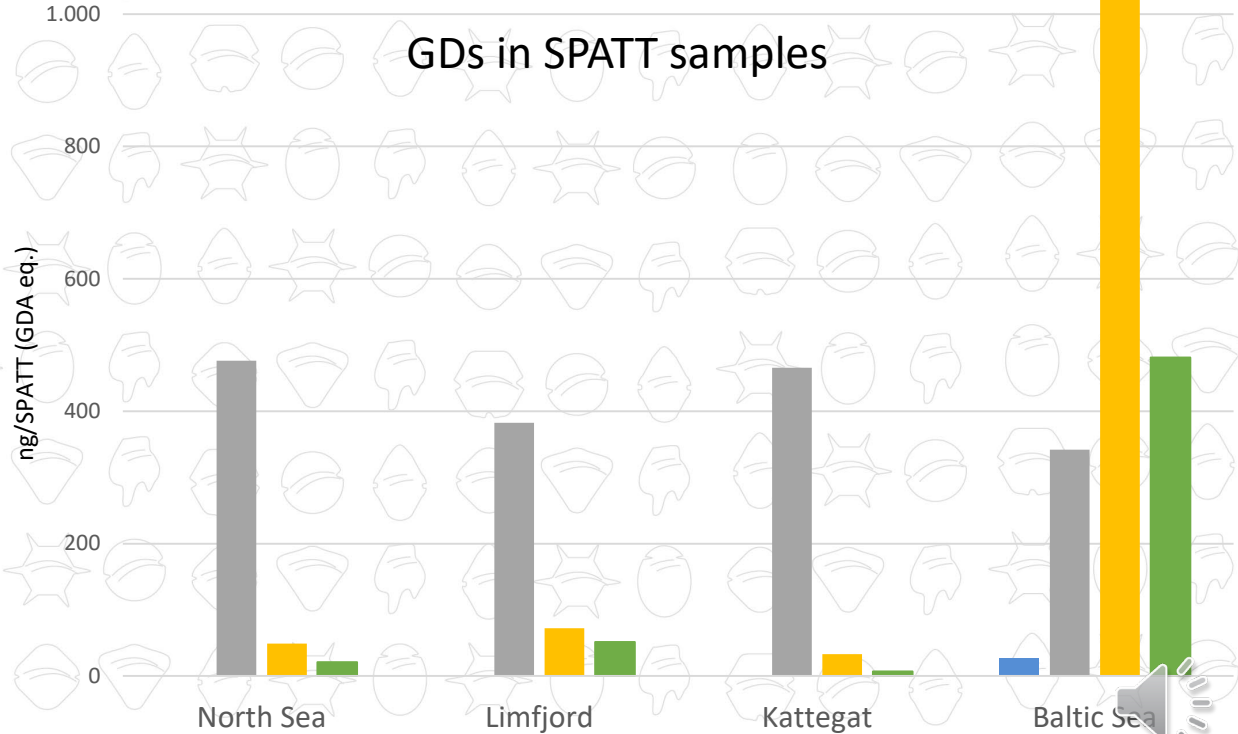
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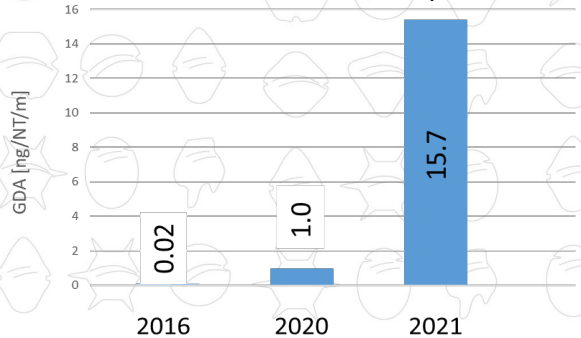
Goniodomins in the field

■ GDA ■ GDC ■ GDA-sa ■ GDC-sa

GDs in SPATT samples

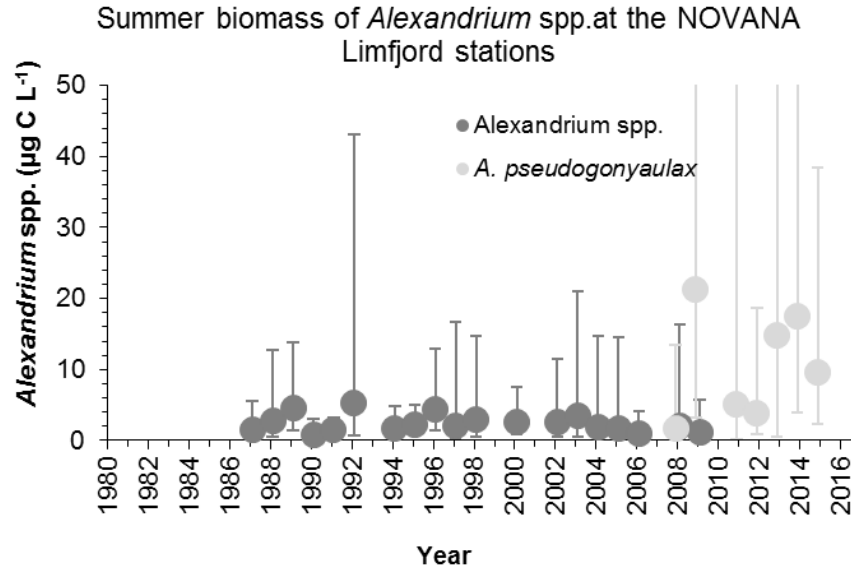


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GDA in Plankton samples



Alexandrium pseudogonyaulax: an expanding species

Temporal trend

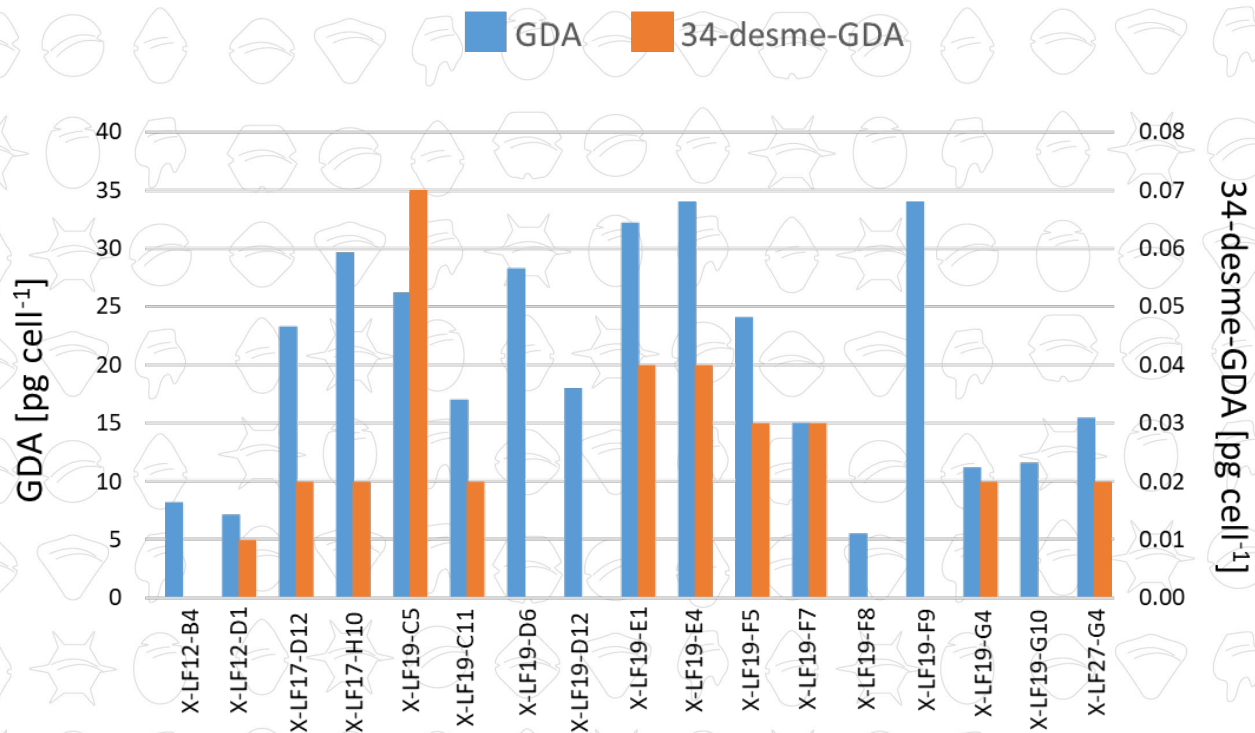


Kremp, A. et al. (2019) Harmful Algae 87, 101622

Community shift from an *Alexandrium catenella/ostenfeldii* to *A. pseudogonyaulax* population



Other goniodomin variants

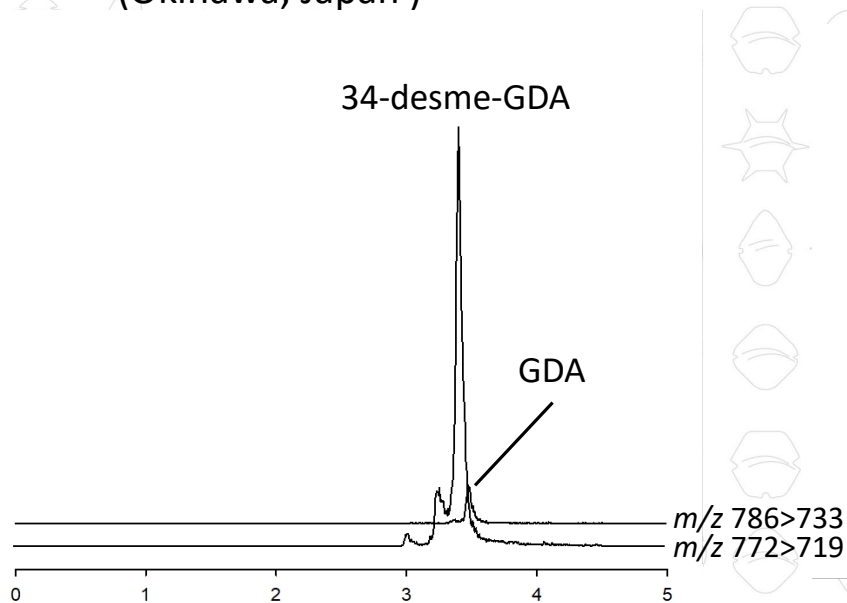


A. pseudogonyaulax strain

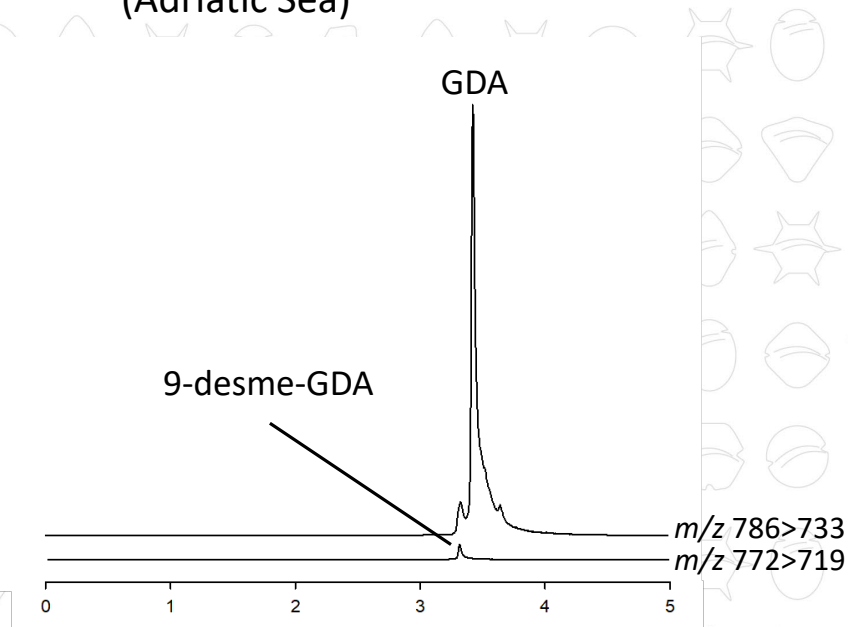


Other goniodomin variants

A. taylorii strain Atay99Shio-02
(Okinawa, Japan)



A. taylorii strain AY7T
(Adriatic Sea)



Other goniodomin variants

<i>A. pseudogonyaulax</i>		<i>A. taylorii</i>		Molecular weight	Goniodomin
[M+NH ₄] ⁺	[M+Na] ⁺	[M+NH ₄] ⁺	[M+Na] ⁺		
772	777	772	777	754	desme-GDA
786	791	786	791	768	GDA/B
790	795	790	795	772	nd
802	807	802	807	784	nd
804	809	804	809	786	GDC/GDA-sa
800	-	800	-	782	nd
814	-	814	-	796	nd
822	-	-	-	804	GDC-sa
858	863	858	863	840	nd

nd = not determined



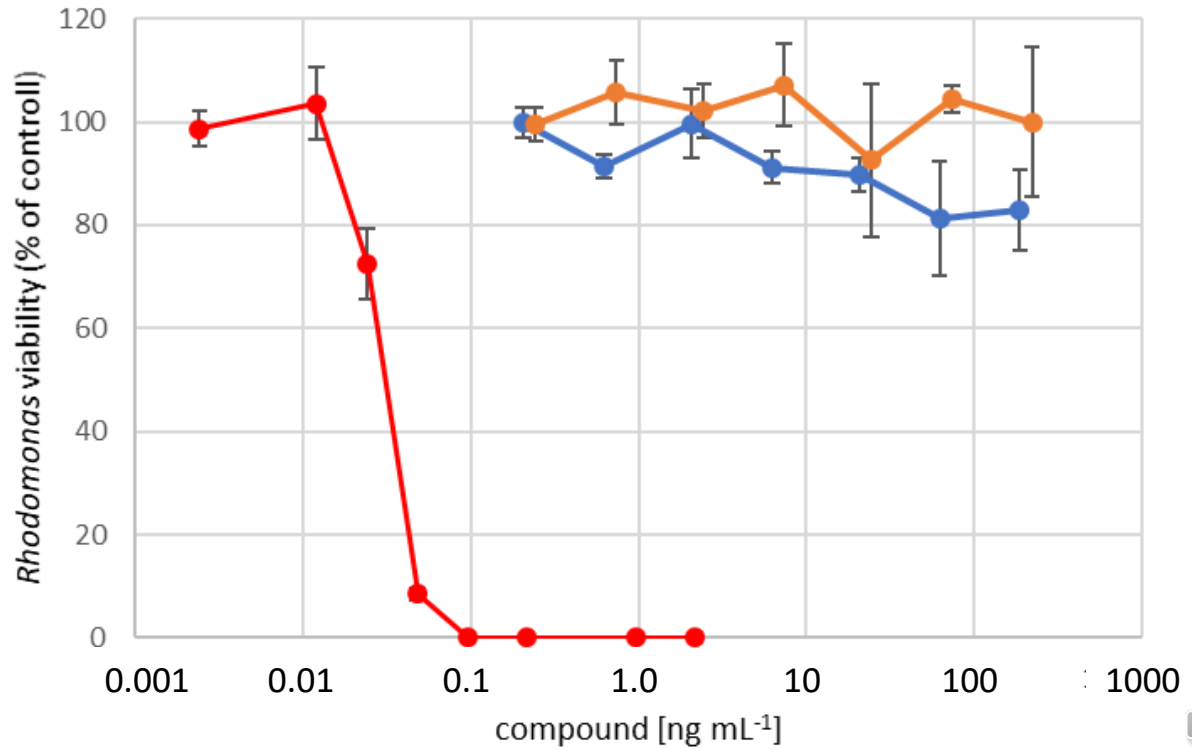
Are goniodomins lytic (as proxy for ichthyotoxicity)?

24 h incubation

GDA

GDB

A. monilatum
supernatant



Conclusions

- 1) Goniodomin A (GDA) easily converts in the presence of water, but is reasonably stable in aprotic organic solvents
- 2) GDA conversion is rapid and can already be observed after 3 min under chromatographic conditions
- 3) GDA is relatively stable under alkaline conditions in the chromatographic time scale
- 4) In the aquatic environment, GDA is almost completely hydrolyzed to seco acids
- 5) The structural variability of goniodomins is high and not yet fully explored
- 6) Preliminary results suggest that goniodomins are not responsible for protist lysis and thus probably also not responsible for ichthyotoxicity of GD-producing species



Thanks for your
attention!

