

# Morphodynamics and sediment dynamics

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## Deliverables to CORILA project

**OVERALL OUTPUT - calibrated/coupled sedimentation model for Venice Lagoon**

### SCIENTIFIC DELIVERABLES:

**Paper 1: Bio-roughness evaluation and accurate estimations of bed stress (Lab Carousel)**

**Paper 2: Box model and sensitivity analysis of sedimentation of P. di Cona**

**Paper 3: Sedimentation parameters in Venice Lagoon (Sea Carousel/Mini Flume)**

**Paper 4: Algal mass transport & contribution to bed scour**

**Paper 5: In situ spectral estimates of bed stress and sup pression by turbidity**

**Paper 6: Wave resuspension in Venice Lagoon**

**Paper 7: The role of submerged beaches in coastal protection**

**Thesis 1 (M.Sc): Mass transports and frontal impact on scour (Treporti)**

**Thesis 2 (B.Sc): Residual sand transport as bedload & mechanisms (Lido)**

**Thesis 3 (B.Sc): Submerged beaches - role in wave suppression (P. della Centrega)**

**Thesis 4 (B.Sc): Residual fines transport in suspension & mechanisms (Scanello-Burano)**

**Thesis 5 (B. Sc): Role of buoyant aggregates on Palude stability (P. dei Lagi)**

**Thesis 6 (P.hD): Factors controlling sedimentation on P. di Cona**

**Thesis 7 (P.hD): The role of the solid-transmitted stress of mobile sand in bed erosion**

**ALL OUTPUTS SUPPLIED IN DIGITAL FORMAT TO CORILA**

## Timetable of events

2002

Update SEDTRANS @ SOC  
Examination of Thesis 1 - submit to CORILA  
Examination of Theses 2,3,4 & 6 - submit to CORILA  
Submit Paper 1 - Journal of Coastal Research.....  
Submit Papers 3 & 4 - Sedimentolog.....

Submit CD-rom of papers and data

**Wave resuspension field monitoring**  
Complete box model - submit Paper 2  
Examination of Thesis 5  
**Euro-Delta - high resolution geophys. survey**  
Submit Paper 5 - Journal Geophysical Research  
Submit Papers 6 and 7 - Estuarine, Coastal, Shelf Science

Submit CD-rom of papers and data

Examination of Thesis 7- submit to CORILA

Submit Paper 6

**BIOFLOW workshop - in situ methods**

**EUROSTRATAFORM - Sea Carousel**

2004(ext)

## Laboratory/analytical work at SOC

### LAB CAROUSEL

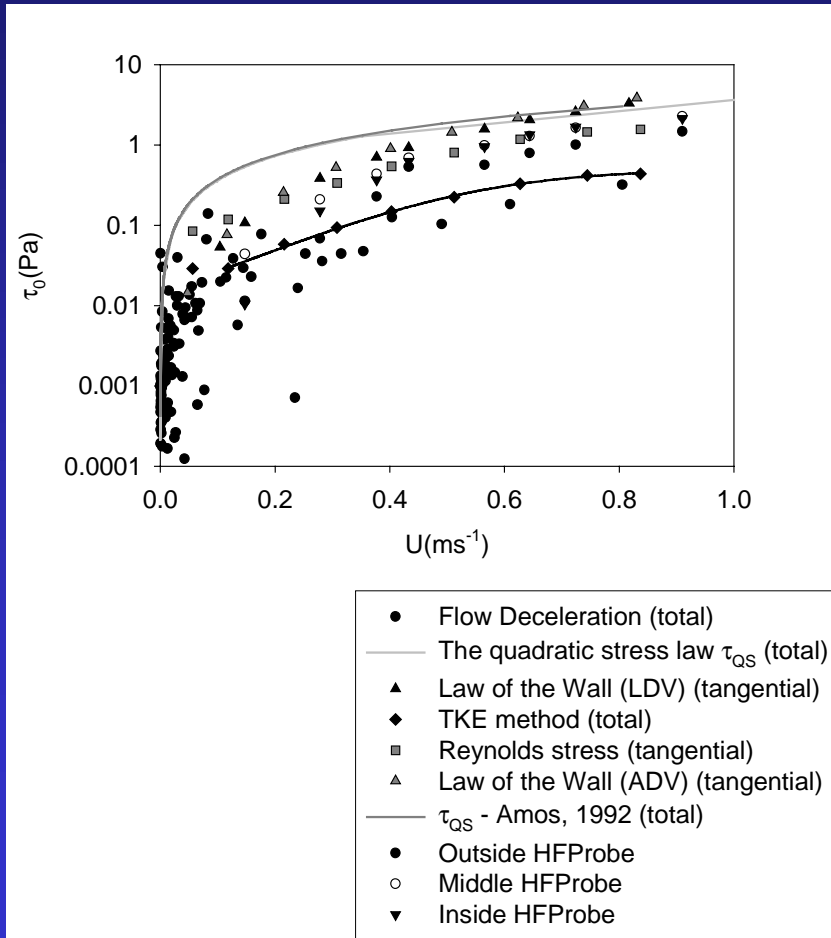
- **bioroughness measurement and bed stress evaluation (BIOFLOW, C. Thompson)**
- **turbulence (stress) suppression by sediments (D. Cloutier, M. Angelaki)**
- **algal transport & solid transmitted stress (M. Flindt)**
- **the role of sand in scouring of mud**

### ANALYTICAL

- **Box model of Palude di Cona (S Cappucci, G. Umgiesser)**
- **Turbulent stresses over natural roughnesses (C. Thompson)**
- **sedimentation/erosion parameters (C. Amos)**

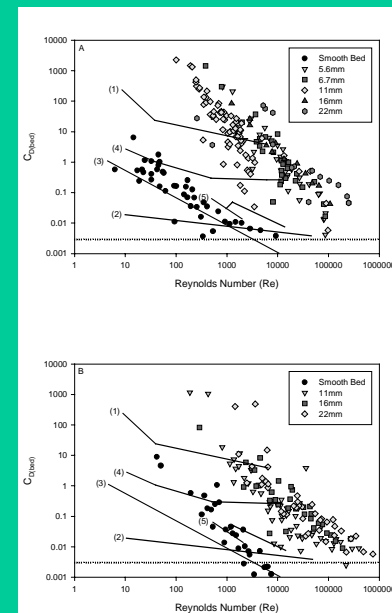


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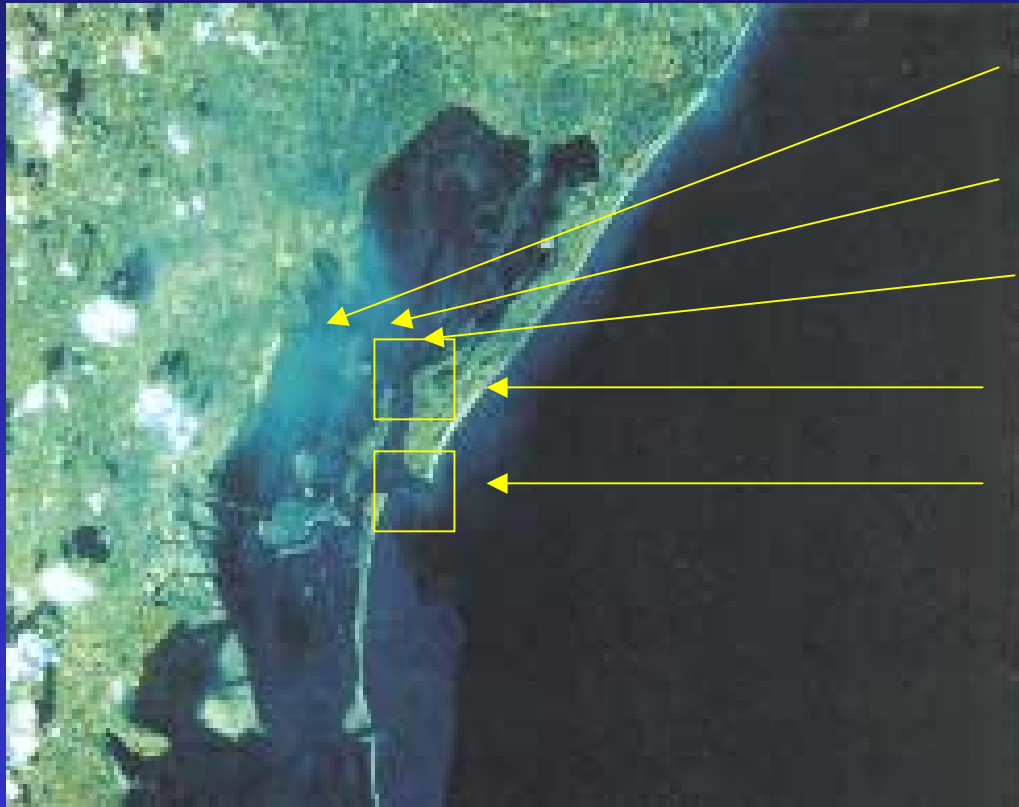


$$F_D = m \frac{d\bar{u}}{dt} = \tau A = \varepsilon \rho \frac{d^2 \bar{u}}{dy^2} = A C_D \rho \bar{u}^{-2}$$

$$C_D = \frac{m}{A} \frac{d\bar{u}}{dt} \frac{1}{\rho \bar{u}^{-2}} = f \left( \frac{d_{50}}{h}; \frac{\bar{u}^* \rho d_{50}}{\mu} \right)$$



## Summer field work in Venice Lagoon August-September, 2001



- **buoyant aggregates in mudflat evolution (K. Chick)**
- **sediment fluxes Scanello - Burano - Palude dei Monti (G. Tremley)**
- **submerged beaches - Palude della Centrega (G. Munford)**
- **ADCP/bathymetric survey - Treporti-Burano-S. Felice system (P. Reed)**
- **sidescan mosaic/bathymetry (C. Cotterill)**
- **seabed sampling (Lido-Desile)**

## Seabed measurements in Venice Lagoon



**Re-analysis and publication of results collected in 1998/1999 (Sea Carousel & Mini Flume)**

**- Digital data base (CR-rom) in preparation**

**- scientific papers in preparation**

**(1) Factors affecting mudflat stability**

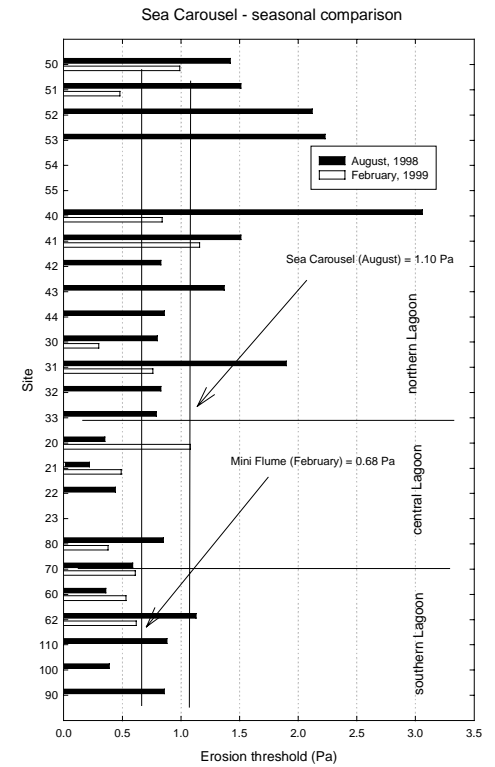
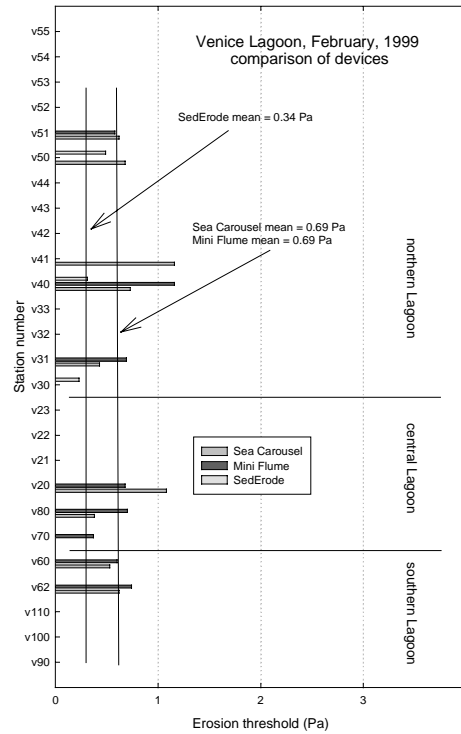
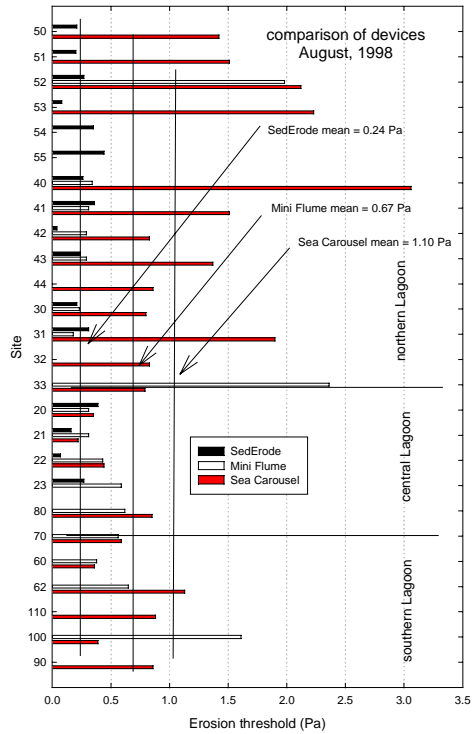
**(2) Turbulence measurements in estimating**  
**- bottom roughness/shear stress**  
**- turbidity suppression of stress**

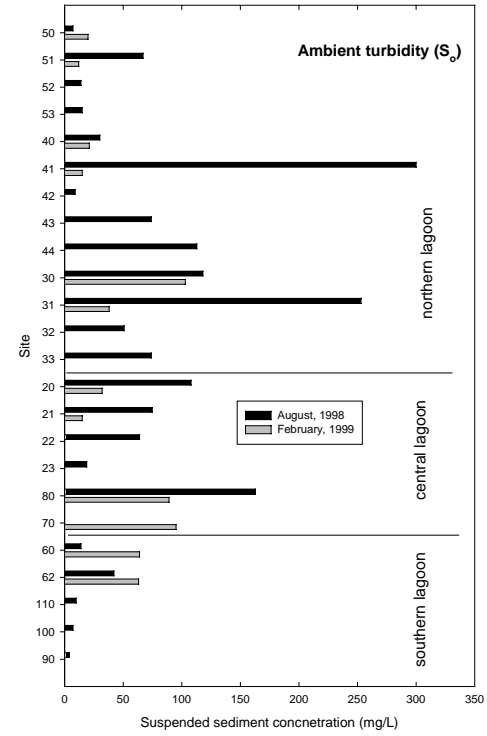
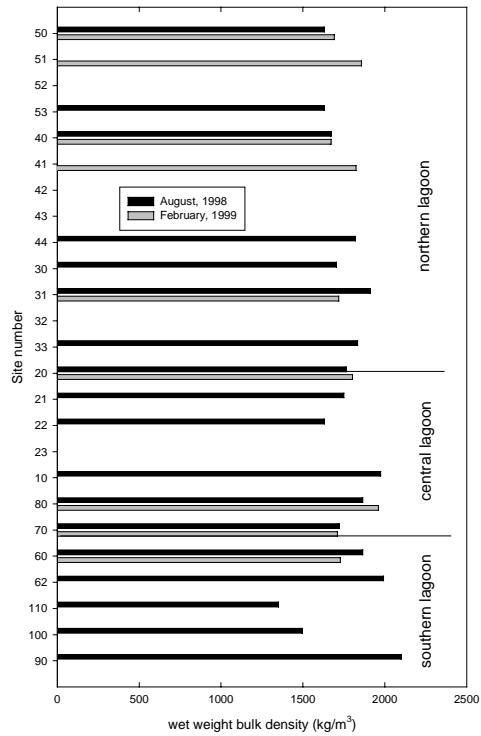
**(3) Laboratory analyses of solid-transmitted stress due to Ulva (M. Flindt)**

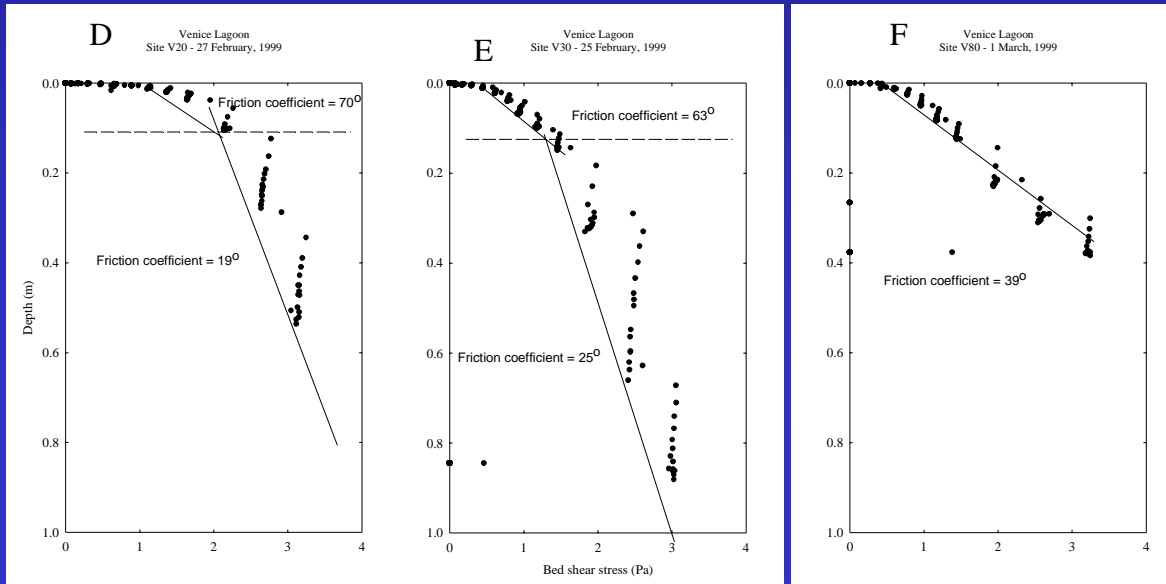
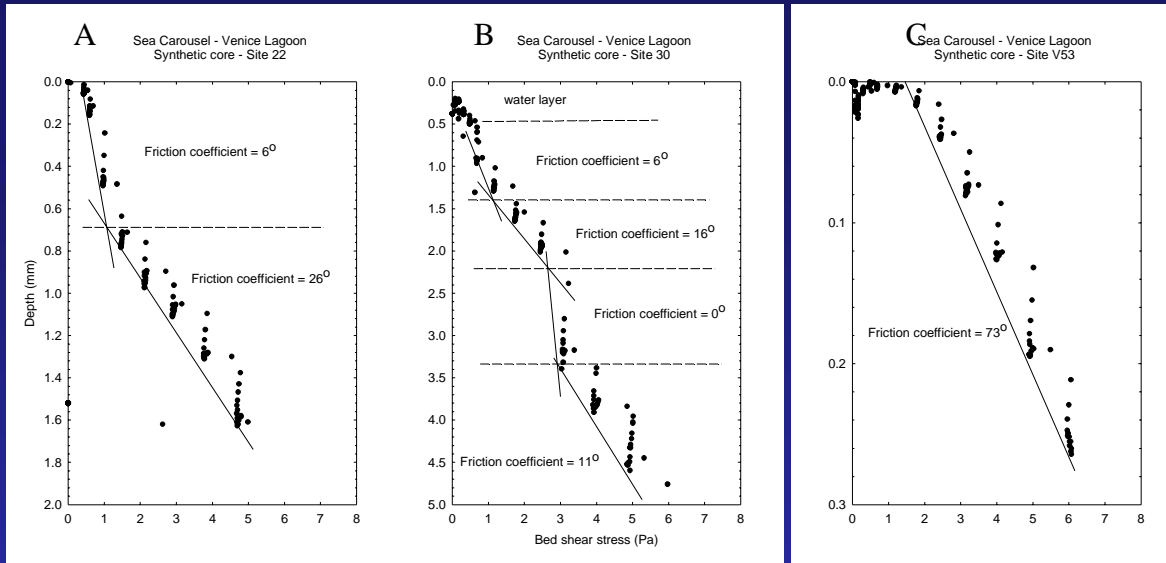


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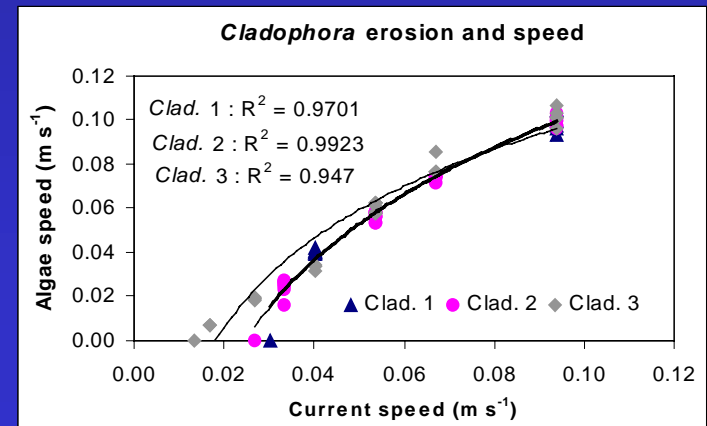
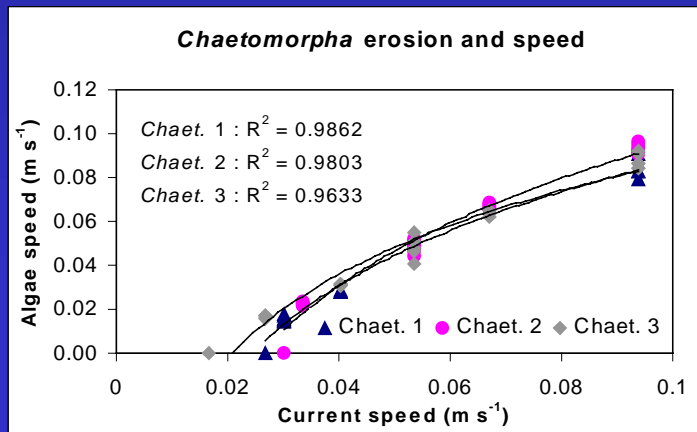
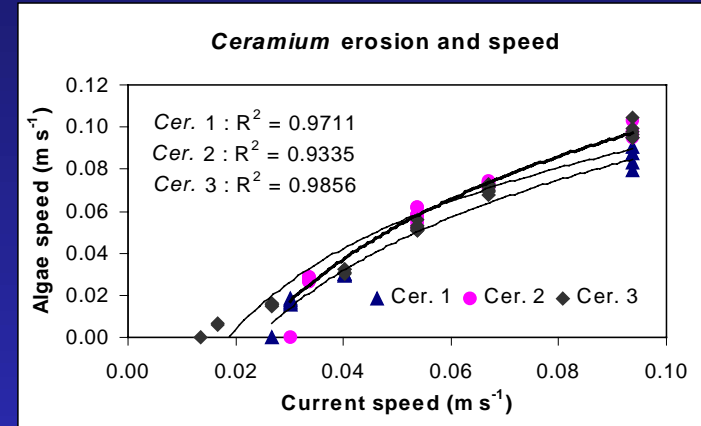
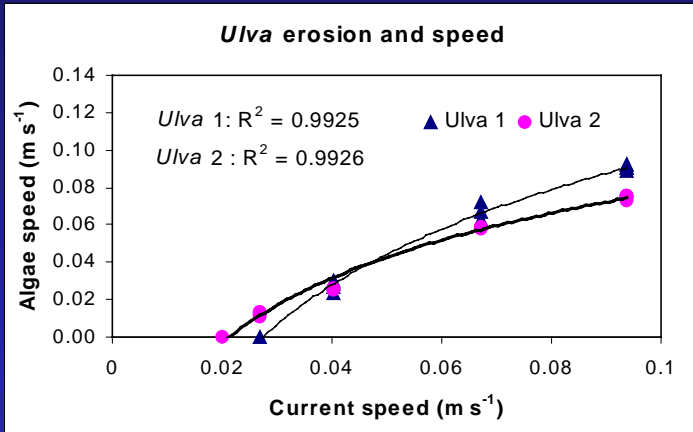
# Synthesis of input values for numerical simulation







# Algal mobilization and the solid-transmitted stress



# Scouring and fronts - Treporti

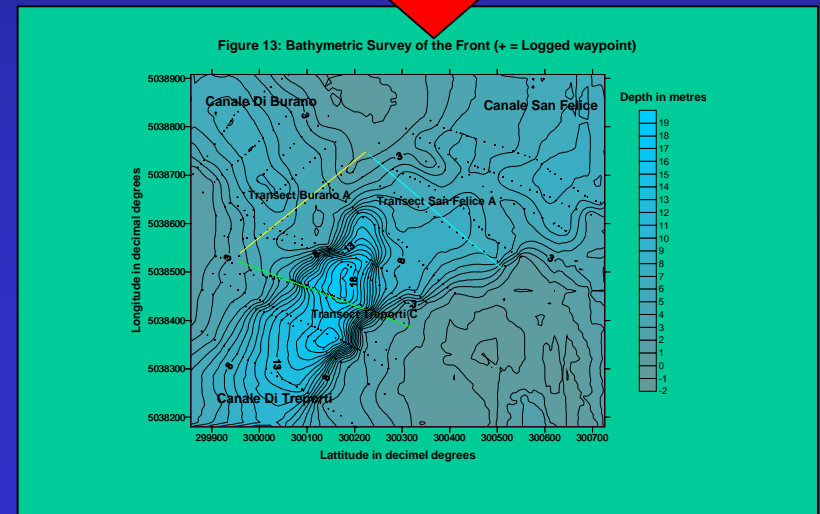


Figure 6: Graph Displaying the Concentrations of SPM and Suspended Sediments in relation to the Acoustic Backscatter levels

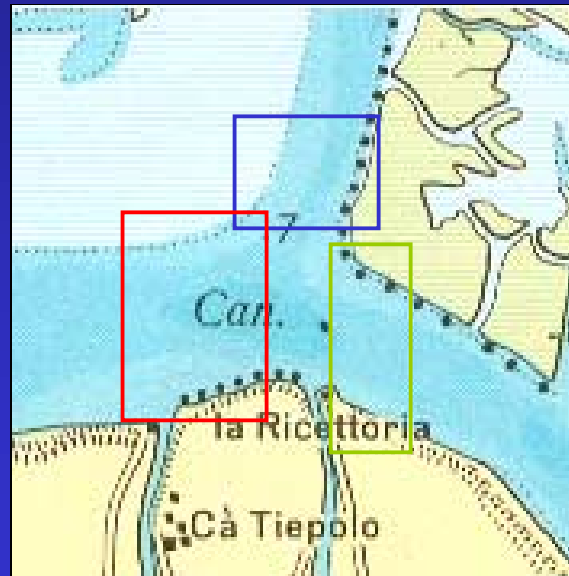
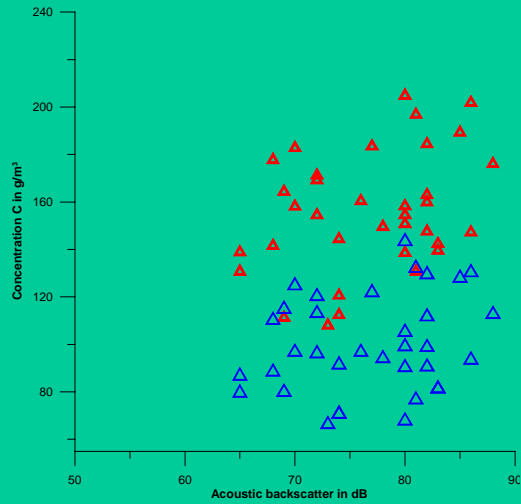
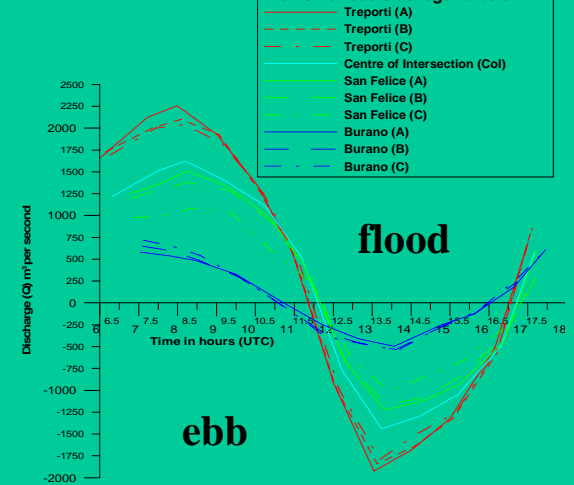


Figure 7: Comparative graph of the Discharge levels (Q) from the 10 transects as legend below:



# Residual circulation and frontal analyses

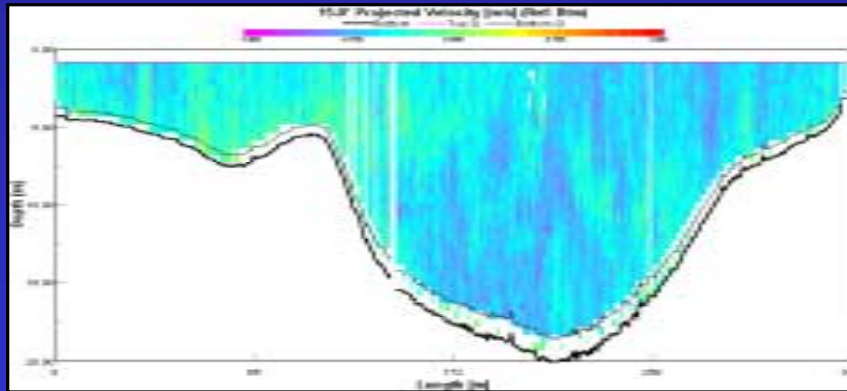
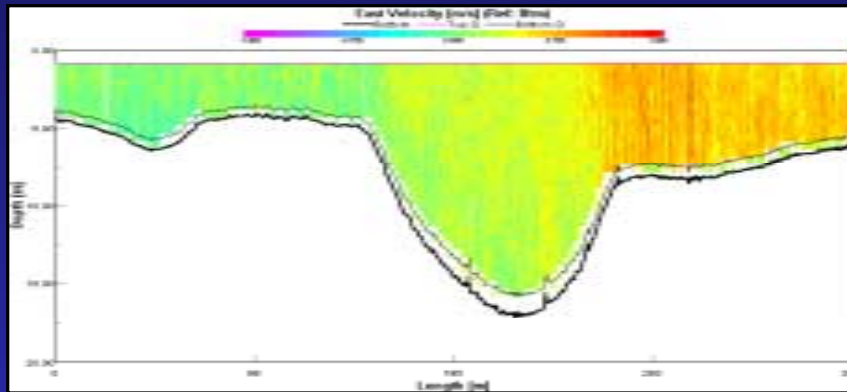
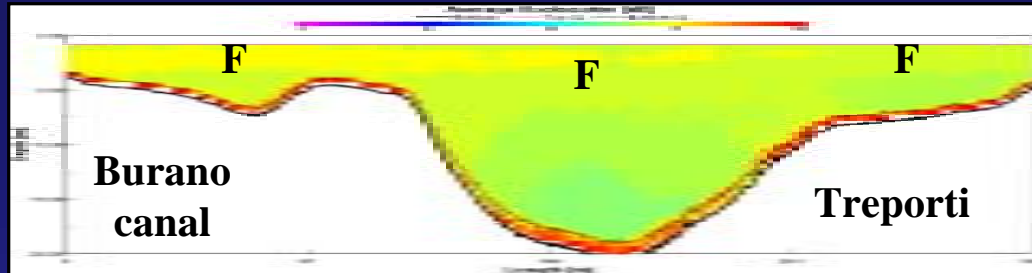
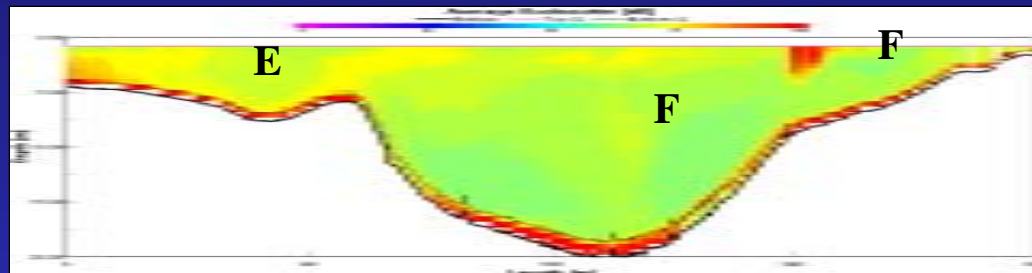


Table 2: Levels of Q averaged throughout the tidal cycle

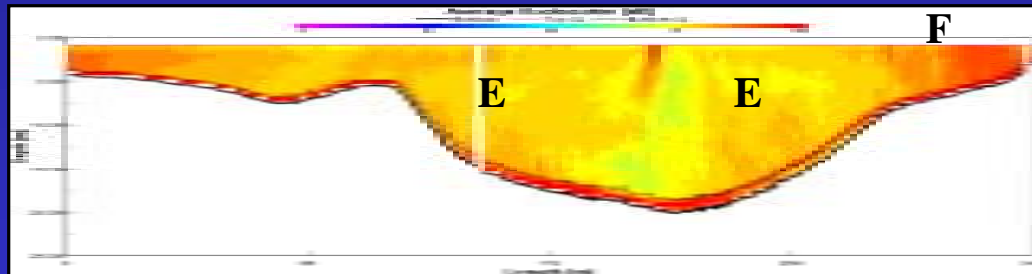
| Treporti (C)   |                                 | Centre of Intersection                                 |                                 | San Felice (A)   |                                 | Burano (A)   |                                 |
|--|---------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|
| Start time   | Q Discharge (M <sup>3</sup> /s) | Start time   | Q Discharge (M <sup>3</sup> /s) | Start time   | Q Discharge (M <sup>3</sup> /s) | Start time   | Q Discharge (M <sup>3</sup> /s) |
| 6.16   | 1692,57                         | 6.20   | 1222,47                         | 6.45   | 1248,47                         | 7.03   | 581,58                          |
| 7.26   | 2001,02                         | 7.30   | 1513,23                         | 7.33   | 1367,01                         | 7.47   | 540,35                          |
| 8.09   | 2041,09                         | 8.12   | 1625,06                         | 8.15   | 1505,7                          | 8.28   | 486                             |
| 9.08   | 1833,27                         | 9.13   | 1401,43                         | 9.16   | 1337,05                         | 9.30   | 328,92                          |
| 10.12  | 1255,55                         | 10.15  | 1112,01                         | 10.22  | 979,32                          | 10.44  | -1,55                           |
| 11.06  | 501,31                          | 11.12  | 513,88                          | 11.15  | 436,43                          | 11.42  | -242,78                         |
| 12.09  | -986,96                         | 12.13  | -763,41                         | 12.18  | -665,04                         | 12.38  | -406,96                         |
| 13.12  | -1790,88                        | 13.15  | -1440,6                         | 13.19  | -1225,71                        | 13.34  | -496,93                         |
| 14.10  | -1495,24                        | 14.14  | -1295,35                        | 14.18  | -1121,26                        | 14.47  | -252,74                         |
| 15.09  | -1254,96                        | 15.12  | -1053,44                        | 15.15  | -931,51                         | 15.36  | -130,91                         |
| 16.16  | -494,12                         | 16.19  | -494,53                         | 16.23  | -444,25                         | 16.38  | 177,53                          |
| 17.07  | 856,18                          | 17.11  | 583,43                          | 17.14  | 591,45                          | 17.27  | 607,2                           |
| Approx.  | 1400                            | Approx.  | 900                             | Approx.  | 900                             | Approx.  | 600                             |
| <b>Σ of Flood Q</b>                                    | <b>11580,99</b>                 | <b>Σ of Flood Q</b>                                    | <b>8871,51</b>                  | <b>Σ of Flood Q</b>                                    | <b>8365,43</b>                  | <b>Σ of Flood Q</b>                                    | <b>3321,58</b>                  |
| <b>Ave. Σ of Flood Q</b>                               | <b>1447,6238</b>                | <b>Ave. Σ of Flood Q</b>                               | <b>1108,93875</b>               | <b>Ave. Σ of Flood Q</b>                               | <b>1045,67875</b>               | <b>Ave. Σ of Flood Q</b>                               | <b>415,1975</b>                 |
| <b>Σ of Ebb Q</b>                                      | <b>-6022,16</b>                 | <b>Σ of Ebb Q</b>                                      | <b>-5047,33</b>                 | <b>Σ of Ebb Q</b>                                      | <b>-4387,77</b>                 | <b>Σ of Ebb Q</b>                                      | <b>-1110,01</b>                 |
| <b>Ave. Σ of Ebb Q</b>                                 | <b>-1204,432</b>                | <b>Ave. Σ of Ebb Q</b>                                 | <b>-1009,466</b>                | <b>Ave. Σ of Ebb Q</b>                                 | <b>-877,554</b>                 | <b>Ave. Σ of Ebb Q</b>                                 | <b>-222,002</b>                 |
| <b>Total discharge Q through flood (m<sup>3</sup>)</b> | <b>3,65E+07</b>                 | <b>Total discharge Q through flood (m<sup>3</sup>)</b> | <b>2,79E+07</b>                 | <b>Total discharge Q through flood (m<sup>3</sup>)</b> | <b>2,64E+07</b>                 | <b>Total discharge Q through flood (m<sup>3</sup>)</b> | <b>1,05E+07</b>                 |
| <b>Total discharge Q through ebb (m<sup>3</sup>)</b>   | <b>-2,38E+07</b>                | <b>Total discharge Q through ebb (m<sup>3</sup>)</b>   | <b>-2,00E+07</b>                | <b>Total discharge Q through ebb (m<sup>3</sup>)</b>   | <b>-1,74E+07</b>                | <b>Total discharge Q through ebb (m<sup>3</sup>)</b>   | <b>-4,40E+06</b>                |



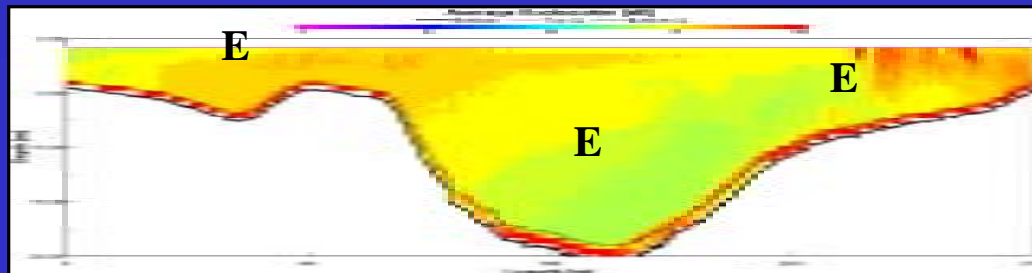
**HT - 0.5 hours**  
high surface backscatter  
abundant phytoplankton  
low resuspension



**HT + 0.5 hours**  
frontal mixing at scour centre  
high shear Treporti/S. Felice  
low resuspension



**HT + 1 hour**  
strong frontal mixing over scour  
resuspension in scour  
resuspension at channel margins



**Mid ebb**  
no front present  
no resuspension in scour  
resuspension at channel margins

## Sand transport - Lido entrance

★ bottom sediment samples  
composition (carbonate)  
granulometry & texture  
settling velocity

ADCP survey of inner Lido  
velocity structure  
backscatter (sand suspension)  
input to SEDTRANS

Sidescan mosaic of Lido canal  
bedform zonation (6 zones)  
bathymetry of outer canal

