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Capítulo1. Introdução Geral

BIODIVERSIDADE MARINHA E ENDEMISMO NA COSTA AUSTRAL DA AMÉRICA DO SUL E ANTÁRTICA

Regiões polares são tradicionalmente consideradas como áreas de baixa diversidade marinha, em especial por serem compreendidas como ambientes de fatores abióticos extremos (Clarke, 2008). No Oceano Austral (OA), por exemplo, o padrão classicamente aceito é que a biodiversidade marinha aumenta em latitudes menores como, por exemplo, nas ilhas subantárticas – entretanto, há poucos estudos empíricos que contrastem a variação latitudinal com a riqueza de espécies para esta região (Clarke & Johnston, 2003). Em uma outra perspectiva sobre a questão, Clarke & Johnston (2003) revisaram listas com a diversidade marinha antártica e consideraram o OA como detentor de um alto grau de diversidade e de endemismo em sua fauna.

Estudos com inferências em áreas endemismo para a fauna do OA são escassos (*viz.*, revisão em Marques & Peña Cantero, 2010 e Miranda et al., 2013), mesmo com o aumento dos estudos sobre a biodiversidade antártica nas últimas décadas (Arntz, 1997; López-González & Gili, 2000). Como causa/consequência desta escassez, há uma defasagem metodológica, numérica e de extensão geográfica dos estudos em biogeografia marinha, em geral na comparação com o equivalente para o ambiente terrestre. A escassez de estudos em biogeografia marinha pode estar relacionada, talvez, a uma compreensão implícita de uma aparente inexistência de barreiras geográficas no ambiente, ou na dificuldade em caracterizá-las, inclusive sob uma perspectiva histórica (Miranda & Marques, 2011).

Estudos biogeográficos esbarram em dificuldades taxonômicas como, por exemplo, a confiabilidade das identificações das espécies e, consequentemente, a determinação dos pontos geográficos em que há a real presença de um táxon. Outra dificuldade é a existência de cladogramas no nível específico baseados em dados confiáveis da identificação das espécies, que permitam a inferência das distribuições em um contexto filogenético. Desta forma, o aprofundamento de estudos taxonômicos é fundamental para inferências de áreas de endemismo da biota como um todo ou de comunidades específicas (Miranda & Marques, 2011). Estas áreas de endemismo constituem a fase inicial dos estudos biogeográficos (Crisci et al., 2000), podendo ser consideradas hipóteses de homologia biogeográfica primária (Morrone, 2001) – por consequência, sua confiabilidade é um passo necessário para inferências posteriores, tais como estudos filogeográficos, ecológicos e evolutivos.

O alto grau de endemicidade da fauna do OA sugere a ocorrência de uma série de processos de especiação em um longo período de isolamento do continente antártico (Clarke & Crame, 1992; López-González & Gili, 2000; Clarke & Johnston, 2003; Clarke et al., 2005; Marques & Peña Cantero, 2010). Embora majoritariamente isolada, há evidências que sugerem uma afinidade da fauna da Península Antártica com a fauna subantártica da América do Sul (Clarke & Johnston, 2003; Clarke et al., 2005; Marques & Peña Cantero, 2010), particularmente devido à presença do Arco Scotia, o qual apresenta uma feição que eventualmente permitiria a comunicação entre as faunas americana e antártica (Clarke & Johnston, 2003).

Alguns estudos recentes sobre a fauna antártica enfocam comparações entre esta fauna e a subantártica, levando em conta diversos táxons marinhos, tais como briozoários, crustáceos, equinodermos, hidroides, moluscos, poliquetos, poríferos e sipunculídeos (*viz.*, Brandt et al., 1999; De Broyer & Rauschert, 1999; Cañete et al., 1999; Gerdes & Montiel, 1999; Mühlenhardt-Siegel, 1999; Peña Cantero & García Carrascosa, 1999; Saiz-Salinas & Pagola-Carte, 1999). Entretanto, a fauna marinha subantártica, particularmente a da região magalhânica, é negligenciada em comparação com o conhecimento acumulado para o OA (Brandt et al., 1999; De Broyer & Rauschert, 1999; Montiel et al., 2005), principalmente em relação aos hidroides bentônicos.

O sudoeste do Atlântico (SOA) e sudeste do Pacífico (SEP) não ficam longe deste quadro de desconhecimento da fauna de hidroides bentônicos, inclusive para regiões mais profundas (viz., Migotto & Marques, 2006; Galea, 2006a, 2007; Genzano et al., 2009). Estudos faunísticos sobre hidroides bentônicos têm sido feitos há pelo menos sete décadas para a costa da Argentina-Uruguai (Blanco, 1976, 1994; Genzano & Zamponi, 1997, 2003; Genzano et al., 2009; Rodriguez et al., 2012), Brasil (Vannucci Mendes, 1946; Vannucci, 1949, 1951; Migotto, 1996; Grohmann et al., 2003, 2011; Marques et al., 2003, 2013; Cunha & Jacobucci, 2010; Miranda et al., 2011) e, mais recentemente para o Chile (Galea, 2006a, 2006b, 2007; Galea et al., 2007a, 2007b, 2007c, 2009a, 2009b; Galea & Schories, 2012a; Galea et al., 2014). Entretanto, Galea (2006a, 2007) por exemplo, enfatiza que a fauna chilena é negligenciada e pouco documentada em relação ao que se conhece mundialmente, concentrando-se os registros principalmente em trabalhos mais antigos, tais como Jäderholm (1904), Hartlaub (1905) e Leloup (1974). Dados da literatura compilados até o final de 2013 para o subcontinente sul-americano revelam o registro de 615 espécies nominais de hidroides, sendo que destas, 435 foram registradas para a costa austral da América do Sul (CAAS, *i.e.*, região acima dos 22°S; viz., Oliveira et al., in press). Estes números correspondem a aproximadamente 20% e 14%, respectivamente, do total de espécies de hidroides (pólipos e medusas) descritos mundialmente (Schuchert, 1998; Bouillon et al., 2006; Cartwright & Collins, 2007), o que corrobora o fato do conhecimento taxonômico destas espécies para o SOA e SEP estar longe do ideal.

'Hidroide bentônico' é o termo coloquial que se refere à fase séssil dos organismos das subclasses "Anthoathecata" (não-monofilética) e Leptothecata, ambas inseridas na classe Hydrozoa (filo Cnidaria). Estes organismos têm grande importância no bentos marinho devido ao seu crescimento rápido por reprodução assexuada, seu pioneirismo na colonização de substratos naturais e artificiais, sua enorme diversidade de estratégias reprodutivas sexuadas, além de sua associação com diversos organismos marinhos (*cf.*, Gili & Hughes, 1995; Rosso & Marques, 1997; Genzano, 1998, 2001, 2002; Genzano & Rodriguez, 1998; Migotto et al., 2001; Genzano & San Martín, 2002; Genzano et al., 2003; Oliveira, 2003; Oliveira et al., 2006; Oliveira & Marques, 2007; Shimabukuro, 2007).

A biodiversidade de hidroides bentônicos não é pouco conhecida somente para a CAAS (*i.e.*, SOA e SEP). Amplas áreas da região antártica também apresentam desconhecimento da fauna de hidroides bentônicos, tornando-se necessário aumentar os conhecimentos faunísticos para ambas as áreas. Dados da literatura desta fauna compilados até 2004 para a Antártica revelam um total de 153 espécies registradas, a maior parte delas apresentando ampla distribuição batimétrica, com ocorrência em regiões de maior profundidade (Peña Cantero, 2004). Em termos taxonômicos, a dominância relativa entre antoatecados e leptotecados ocorre de maneira inversa, ou seja, as populações/espécies de antoatecados concentram-se mais em regiões rasas, enquanto que as de leptotecados concentram-se mais em regiões profundas (Peña Cantero, 2004). Em levantamentos faunísticos extensos é frequente o registro de uma menor ocorrência de antoatecados em relação à leptotecados (Millard, 1975; Schuchert, 2000, 2001; Miranda, 2009). Peña Cantero & García Carrascosa (1999), por exemplo, ressaltam que, para as regiões magalhânica e antártica, os antoatecados têm sua fauna pouco conhecida, independentemente do esforço e uniformidade amostral.

Algumas semelhanças entre as faunas da Península Antártica e da região magalhânica vêm sendo documentadas (De Broyer & Rauschert, 1999; Pagès & Orejas, 1999; Peña Cantero &

García Carrascosa, 1999; Saiz-Salinas & Pagola-Carte, 1999) e associadas à separação tardia entre os continentes antártico e americano (Gerdes & Montiel, 1999; Lawver & Gahagan, 2003). Em geral, a interpretação da distribuição desta fauna tem um viés dispersionista, com discussões sobre a localidade de origem e sentido de migração destas faunas, *i.e.*, origem magalhânica e dispersão para a Antártica ou vice-versa (*cf.*, Peña Cantero & García Carrascosa, 1999).

Estudos envolvendo a origem e evolução de organismos marinhos para o SOA, SEP e OA (*e.g.*, Clayton, 1994; Brandt, 1999; Clarke et al., 2004) não possuem, em geral, um enfoque biogeográfico que inclua o uso de diferentes metodologias e análises estritas. Recentemente, Marques & Peña Cantero (2010) propuseram quatro áreas de endemismo para o OA, usando PAE e uma base de dados de distribuição geográfica do gênero *Oswaldella* (Leptothecata, Kirchenpaueriidae). Já Miranda et al. (2013) reanalisaram os dados de *Oswaldella* juntamente com dados adicionais dos gêneros *Antarctoscyphus, Mixoscyphus* e *Staurotheca* (Leptothecata, Sertulariidae), e propuseram a existência de oito áreas de endemismo para o OA. Entretanto, estudos focados no uso e comparação de diferentes metodologias para busca de áreas de endemismo ainda são preliminares e raros em biogeográficos disponíveis para sua realização. Desta forma, é necessário um aumento no número de estudos taxonômicos que visem comparar e entender o relacionamento entre as faunas antártica e subantártica, sob um contexto biogeográfico e evolutivo, tomando como modelo os hidroides bentônicos.

OBJETIVOS GERAIS

O estudo teve por principais objetivos:

Atualizar os status taxonômico de riqueza das espécies de hidroides bentônicos da CAAS e OA;
 Reunir informações sobre seus substratos biológicos, endemismo, distribuições geográfica e batimétrica;

3) Investigar a (dis)similaridade entre as assembleias de hidroides bentônicos para a CAAS e OA;

4) Inferir áreas de endemismo para a CAAS e OA usando os hidroides bentônicos como modelo e a Análise de Endemicidade (AE) aplicada pelo software NDM-VNDM.

5) Reanalisar os dados de Marques & Peña Cantero (2010 por meio da Análise de Parcimônia de Endemicidade (PAE) aplicada com registros complementares da distribuição de 61 espécies endêmicas de hidroides bentônicos para a região acima de 45°S dos oceanos Atlântico e Austral.

ORGANIZAÇÃO DA TESE

Esta tese é apresentada em cinco capítulos. Este capítulo faz uma introdução geral ao estudo, lista os principais objetivos da tese e descreve a forma como foi organizada. Os capítulos 2 a 4 são apresentados na forma de artigos científicos, um deles já publicado (capítulo 4), os quais possuem objetivos, resultados e discussões específicos e independentes, porém relacionados. O capítulo 5 apresenta as considerações finais e conclusões do estudo.

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Capítulo 2. Biodiversity and ecological assemblages of benthic hydroids (Cnidaria, Hydrozoa) from southern South America and the Southern Ocean

Abstract

The benthic hydroid fauna from southern South America (SSA) and the Southern Ocean (SO) is heterogeneous and unevenly distributed. We surveyed 5,621 samples, comprising 359 morphospecies of benthic hydroids, updated their taxonomy, provided information on species richness, biological substrate and geographic distributions. Assemblages were described through cluster and nMDS using Bray-Curtis similarities. Endemism at SSA is 65% and at SO is 88% of the endemic species. Leptothecate species have wider horizontal and vertical distributions than "anthoathecates"; and most of the benthic hydroids surveyed are substrate-generalists. Thirteen assemblages of benthic hydroids were found along the SSA and SO. These assemblages are compared with previous hypotheses of ecoregions, realms, assemblages and areas of endemism in the region. Ecological biogeographic information described here is discussed based on the oceanographic dynamics in the SSA and SO.

INTRODUCTION

The southern South America (SSA) coast extends from ~22°S to 56°S in the Atlantic and Pacific oceans (~10,000 km of coastline). The Pacific side is influenced by the Humboldt upwelling system, and the Atlantic side by the warm Brazil Current and the cold Falklands/Malvinas Current, flowing in opposite directions along the Atlantic Patagonian shelf (Acha et al., 2004; Miloslavich et al., 2011). The SSA comprises several different marine ecosystems, including archipelagos, channels, estuaries, lagoons, mangroves, rocky shores, sandy beaches, and seagrass beds, which together encompass a high, but poorly known, marine biodiversity (Acha et al., 2004; Costello et al., 2010; Miloslavich et al., 2011). Many marine species have not yet been described here, and many will be extinct before being described (Costello & Wilson, 2010; Costello et al., 2010), especially smaller invertebrates such as the benthic hydroids (Cnidaria, Hydrozoa).

This is similar to the situation in the Southern Ocean (SO). With an area of ~35 million km², the SO plays a fundamental role in the oceanographic circulation system of the planet because of the large effects of the Antarctic Circumpolar Current (ACC) – the only marine current connecting, in one continuum, the Atlantic, Indian and Pacific Oceans (Clarke & Johnston, 2003; Barker & Thomas, 2004; Griffiths, 2010; Kaiser et al., 2013). The circum-antarctic current system, including the ACC, originated during the Cenozoic, and was responsible for the biogeographic and thermic isolation of the SO (Barker & Burrell, 1977; Lawver & Gahagan, 2003). Consequently, SO marine benthic communities are characterized by high levels of endemism and isolation (Clarke & Johnston, 2003; Brandt et al., 2007a, 2007b), representing an excellent natural laboratory in which to study biodiversity, biogeography and evolution (Clarke et al., 2004; Kaiser et al., 2013).

Some of the SO fauna is shared with the SSA fauna, due to the past connection between Antarctica and South America, and because of the Scotia Arc between them (De Broyer & Rauschert, 1999; Pagès & Orejas, 1999; Peña Cantero & García Carrascosa, 1999; Saiz-Salinas & Pagola-Carte, 1999; Gerdes & Montiel, 1999; Clarke & Johnston, 2003; Lawver & Gahagan, 2003). Both faunas remain poorly known when compared to other marine faunas (*e.g.*, Mediterranean Sea). Amphipods, bryozoans, gastropods, isopods, polychaetes, and sponges are among the relatively well known groups for the SO (Arntz et al., 2005; Brandt et al., 2007a). However, few species (sometimes none) of benthic hydroids (the polyp stage of the hydrozoan "Anthoathecata" and Leptothecata) have been reported in large areas (*e.g.*, East Antarctica) and in deep-sea regions of the SO (Peña Cantero & García Carrascosa, 1999; Peña Cantero, 2004, 2012; Peña Cantero & Gili, 2006). Indeed, the eastern coast of Antarctica and deep-waters of the SO are frequently reported as poorly known (Clarke & Johnston, 2003; Peña Cantero & Gili, 2006; Peña Cantero, 2012), which is probably due to the difficult access for sampling (Clarke et al., 2007).

Many benthic hydroids have a patchy geographic distribution as a result of their dispersal capabilities, biotic relationships, availability of substrata, and environmental preferences (Cornelius, 1992; Gili & Hughes, 1995). Other benthic hydroid species however, have wide geographic distributions, are frequently associated with other organisms (*e.g.*, algae, bivalves, caprellids, corals, gorgonians, polychaetes, pycnogonids, sponges, zooxanthellae; Genzano, 2002; Genzano & San Martín, 2002; Dougherty & Russell, 2005; Gravier-Bonnet & Bourmaud, 2005; Gili et al., 2006; Oliveira & Marques, 2007, 2011; Ronowicz et al., 2008; Cunha & Jacobucci, 2010; Bo et al., 2011; Campos et al., 2012) and can grow on a wide variety of artificial and natural substrates (Migotto et al., 2001; Oliveira & Marques, 2007, 2011; Genzano et al., 2009a; Fernandez et al., 2014a, 2014b, in press). Few hydroid species are substrate specialists (*e.g.*, species of *Zyzzyzus*; Campos et al., 2007, 2012), most are substrate generalists (Gili & Hughes, 1995; Migotto et al., 2001; Genzano, 2002; Genzano & San Martín, 2002; Dougherty & Russell, 2005; Gravier-Bonnet & Bourmaud, 2005; Gili et al., 2007, 2012), most are substrate generalists (Gili & Hughes, 1995; Migotto et al., 2001; Genzano, 2002; Genzano & San Martín, 2002; Dougherty & Russell, 2005; Gravier-Bonnet & Bourmaud, 2005; Gili et al., 2006; Oliveira & Marques, 2007, 2011; Ronowicz et al., 2008; Genzano et al., 2009a; Cunha & Jacobucci, 2010; Bo et al., 2011; Campos et al., 2012; Ronowicz et al., 2013a, 2013b; Fernandez et al., 2014a).

Although substrate specialist species are less common, their strategy of colonization should be advantageous because potential competition with other species is reduced (Gili & Hughes, 1995). Substrate specialists can be epiphytic (see synthesis in Oliveira & Marques, 2007) or epizoic. Epiphytic species should be less limited by substrate availability because algae and seagrasses are common and can be abundant during the growing seasons (Gili & Hughes, 1995; Oliveira & Marques, 2011). Larvae of epizoic species tend to be more restrictive concerning substrate selection: benthic hydroids associated with sponges (*e.g.*, species of *Zyzzyzus*; Campos et al., 2007, 2012), molluscs (*e.g.*, *Eutima sapinhoa*; Migotto et al., 2004) and other hydroids (*e.g.*, some species of *Filellum*; Genzano et al., 2009a; Marques et al., 2011) are most common.

While poorly known in the SO and SSA, benthic hydroids are well-known in other areas (*e.g.*, Chilean Patagonia, southeastern and southern Brazil, Río de La Plata and Buenos Aires, Antarctic Peninsula), with continual studies since the 19th century (Allman, 1888; Nutting, 1900, 1904, 1915; Hartlaub, 1904, 1905; Jäderholm, 1904a, 1904b, 1905, 1917, 1920; Ritchie, 1909; Vannucci Mendes, 1946; Vannucci, 1949, 1951; Blanco, 1963, 1964, 1967, 1976, 1994; Genzano, 1990, 1994; Migotto, 1996; Genzano & Zamponi, 1997, 2003; Genzano et al., 2002, 2009a, 2011; Marques, 2001; Migotto et al., 2002; Grohmann et al., 2003, 2011; Marques & Migotto, 2003; Marques et al., 2003; Galea, 2007; Galea et al., 2007a, 2007b, 2007c, 2009a, 2009b; Cunha & Jacobucci, 2010; Miranda et al., 2011; Galea & Schories, 2012a, 2012b; Oliveira et al., in press). However, these many studies have heterogeneous taxonomical quality, because of poor taxonomy and misidentification. Many geographic records are contradictory, or of cryptic species (*e.g.*, *Clytia* spp.; Lindner et al., 2011), and thus require extensive taxonomic review prior to being suitable for biological analyses. As

taxonomy is the basis for all biological sciences, mistaken identifications will lead to incorrect biology (Lozier et al., 2009). Recent compilations of the literature (Oliveira et al., in press) help to fill information gaps, but the validity of several species have not yet been confirmed and further study is necessary. To begin filling these geographical gaps of knowledge based on consistent taxonomy of hydrozoans, the goals of this study are: 1) to update the status of the taxonomy of the benthic hydroid fauna (except hydrocorals) from the SSA and SO, 2) to determine and describe their biological substrates, geographic and bathymetric distributions, levels of endemism, and 3) to investigate the similarity between the different benthic hydroid assemblages in the SSA and SO.

MATERIAL AND METHODS

In 1,351 geographic locations within the SSA (*i.e.*, the southwestern Atlantic Ocean – SWAO, and the southeastern Pacific Ocean – SEPO) and the SO, 5,621 samples of benthic hydroids (not including hydrocorals) were collected, taxonomically reviewed and checked (Figure 1). Records of benthic hydroids from the SSA and SO from the literature were not included to maintain reliable taxonomical standards, thereby avoiding propagation of taxonomic errors. The only exceptions are the Antarctic species *Monocaulus microrhiza* (Hickson & Gravely, 1907) and *M. parvula* (Hickson & Gravely, 1907), recorded by Svoboda & Stepanjants (2001), of which we have studied specimens at the Smithsonian Institution National Museum of Natural History (NMNH). The taxonomy of all morphospecies was standardized and identifications followed the appropriate literature (Blanco, 1963, 1964; Vervoort, 1972; Cornelius, 1979, 1982, 1995; Calder, 1988, 1991a, 1997; Migotto, 1996; Peña Cantero et al., 1999; Blanco et al., 2000; Marques, 2001; Svoboda & Stepanjants, 2001; Peña Cantero & Vervoort, 2003, 2004a, 2004b, 2005a, 2005b; Galea, 2006a, 2006b, 2007; Svoboda et al., 2006; Galea et al., 2007a, 2009a, 2009b; Galea & Schories, 2012a, 2012b; Rodriguez et al., 2012). This effort resulted in a consistent taxonomy, avoiding issues commonly found in meta-analyses (see Lozier et al., 2009).

Records in the data bank are from specimens collected in the field and reviewed and checked by us at institutional collections: Departamento de Zoologia, Universidade Federal do Paraná (DZOO-UFPR); Facultad de Ciéncias Naturales y Museo, Universidad Nacional de La Plata (FCNyM-UNLP); Museu de Ciências Naturals, Fundação Zoobotânica do Rio Grande do Sul (MCN-FZB); Museo Nacional de Historia Natural del Uruguay (MNHNU); Muséum d'Histoire Naturelle de la Ville Genève (MHNG); Museu Nacional, Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro (MNRJ); Museu de Zoologia, Universidade de São Paulo (MZUSP); Universidad Nacional Mar del Plata (UNMdP); National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution (USNM); Universidad de Valencia (UV); Zoologisches Museum, University of Hamburg (ZMH). Type of substrate used by each morphospecies, latitudinal distribution range, and depth were compiled (Table 1). Endemism for the SSA and SO was determined based on the worldwide geographic records reported in literature for each species and the proportion of endemism for each ocean (SWAO, SEPO and SO) was calculated.

We present a matrix of presence-absence of benthic hydroid species based on quadrants of 10° latitude by 10° longitude. Only morphospecies that were identified were included in the databank to avoid geographic inaccuracies (Appendix 1). Analyses of similarity of species composition of quadrants were performed using PRIMER (Clarke & Warwick, 2001). All analyses used Bray-Curtis similarity between quadrants of square root transformed data. The transformation was done to remove the effect of non-homogeneous sampling effort (*i.e.*, different methods and sampling efforts according to collection sites, depths). For that, we standardized the total frequency of species in each quadrant by dividing the presence of any given species within a quadrant by the total

number of species in that quadrant (see Genzano et al., 2009a for a similar approach). A square root was applied to each frequency before the calculation of the Bray-Curtis similarity index. Quadrants with less than five species were excluded from the similarity analysis to avoid issues due to sampling (Clarke & Warwick, 2001; Proches, 2005; Rueda et al., 2013).

Similarities in species composition among quadrants were inferred using a hierarchical cluster analysis followed by a similarity profile test (SIMPROF), which estimates the internal statistical probability of the groups formed. To visualize patterns of gradual change among quadrants, we plotted a non-metric multidimensional scaling (nMDS, Clarke, 1993), using 50 iterations to guarantee a minimum value of stress due to representation of the ordination in two-dimensional space. The statistically significant groups of the cluster (SIMPROF test) were superimposed on the nMDS and on a map to better delineate the similarities among the benthic hydroid assemblages.

A percentage similarity (SIMPER) analysis was carried out to identify which species are responsible for the similarities between and within the quadrants grouped on the cluster. This procedure was performed only for less inclusive groups with at least two quadrants clustered. We also performed a BVSTEP analysis to identify the smallest subset of species that better characterize the ordination patterns of the nMDS (Clarke & Warwick, 2001).

RESULTS

Richness, endemism, distribution, and substrate use

The survey of the SSA and SO resulted in 359 morphospecies of benthic hydroids, of which 256 species were identified at the species level (and so included in the analyses), 40 at the genus level, 44 with dubious taxonomic status and 19 unidentified because of poor morphological condition (Table 1). Three of the species are new records for the SWAO (*Nemertesia ciliata, Sertularella leiocarpa, Zygophylax sibogae*; Table 1). The SWAO had the greatest richness of benthic hydroids (187/256 species), corresponding to 73% of the total of species analysed, followed by the SO (101/256 species) and the SEPO (41/256 species, Tables 1, 2).

Fifty four percent of the species (137 species of 256) is endemic to the SSA and SO (Table 1, 2). Most of the endemic species (89 of 101 species, 88%, Table 2) are in the SO. Among the endemic species, 92% are Leptothecata, with the families Sertulariidae (45%) and Kirchenpaueriidae (20%) having the highest levels of endemism (Figure 2). Three leptothecate genera are endemic in the SO: *Antarctoscyphus, Mixoscyphus* (both Sertulariidae), and *Oswaldella* (Kirchenpaueriidae), representing 49% of the benthic species of the hydroids of the SO (49 of 101 species, Tables 1, 2). "Anthoathecates" tend to occur in warmer areas (from 20°S to 45°S, Table 1), with few species in colder waters (from 50°S to 70°S; *e.g., Bouillonia denbartogi, Eudendrium tottoni, Hybocodon chilensis*, and species of *Clathrozoella* and *Monocaulus*, Table 1). Leptothecata tend to be more widely distributed between 20°S and 70°S (Table 1). However, many leptothecates are found between 50°S and 70°S (Haleciidae, Halopterididae, Lafoeidae, and Plumulariidae; mainly the genera *Acryptolaria, Lytocarpia, Phialella, Sertularella, Stegella, Symplectoscyphus*), some of which belong to genera endemic to the area (*Antarctoscyphus, Mixoscyphus, Oswaldella, Schizotricha, Staurotheca*, Table 1).

Most species were from shallow waters (up to 200m depth), while deep-sea samples (> 200m depth) were in the SWAO and especially the SO, with Sertulariidae, Kirchenpaueriidae, Schizotrichidae, Lafoeidae, and Plumulariidae being the most common families (Table 1). Between 200 and 4,000m deep, many species of benthic hydroids have robust and bushy colonies (*e.g.*, *Bouillonia denhartogi*, and species of *Clathrozoella*, *Monocaulus*, *Sertularella*; Table 1), many with erect, branched and polysiphonic colonies (*e.g.*, species of *Acryptolaria*, *Abietinella*, *Antarctoscyphus*,

Lafoea, Oswaldella, Schizotricha, Staurotheca, Symplectoscyphus).

A wide diversity of substrates are used by benthic hydroids, including artificial (*e.g.*, boats, buoys, long lines, metallic structures, net, polyethylene plates, ropes, rubber bands, submarine floating, wood) and natural (*e.g.*, egg mass, gravel, rock, sand, shingles, and several taxa). Natural substrate uses was more common than artificial, including epibiotics on algae, ascidians, barnacles, bivalves, bryozoans, corals, hydroids, mussels, polychaetes, scallops, and sponges. Benthic hydroids tended to be substrate-generalists (*Bougainvillia, Ectopleura, Eudendrium, Halecium, Halopteris, Sertularella, Sertularia*, lafoeids). Exceptions were *Corymorpha januarii, Eutima sapinhoa, Orthopyxis* spp., *Silicularia rosea*, and *Zyzzyzus warreni* (Table 1).

Geographic similarities: cluster and nMDS analyses

We found 13 statistically supported assemblages (= groups of quadrants) of benthic hydroids (Figure 3). There are two assemblages that are clearly more inclusive in the nMDS plot: assemblage SSA, and assemblage SO (Figures 3–5). The main subset of species contributing to the nMDS patterns are *Antarctoscyphus elongatus*, *A. spiralis*, *Halecium ovatum*, *Lafoea dumosa*, *Obelia longissima*, *Plumularia setacea*, *Sertularella gaudichaudi*, *S. tenella*, *Staurotheca antarctica*, *S. dichotoma*, *S. glomulosa*, *Symplectoscyphus glacialis*, and *Tulpa tulipifera*. SIMPER analysis shows that the species composition of the assemblages varied considerably along SSA and SO (Figures 3–5; Tables 1, 3).

DISCUSSION

Richness and endemism

Recently, 780 species of Hydrozoa (29% recorded herein), including 622 species of hydroids from SWAO and SEPO (37% recorded herein), were reported from a compilation of the literature of Medusozoa and Ctenophora from South America (Oliveira et al., in press). The knowledge on the hydroid fauna of the region is heterogenous, with some better known regions, like the Southeastern coast of Brazil (Vannucci Mendes, 1946; Vannucci, 1949, 1951; Migotto, 1996; Marques, 2001; Grohmann et al., 2003, 2011; Cunha & Jacobucci, 2010; Miranda et al., 2011; Marques et al., 2013; Fernandez et al., 2014a), the Buenos Aires coast (Blanco, 1994; Genzano et al., 2009a, 2009b, 2011; Rodriguez et al., 2012), and the Chilean coast (Galea, 2006a, 2006b, 2007, 2010; Galea & Leclère, 2007; Galea et al., 2007a, 2007b, 2007c, 2009a, 2009b; Galea & Schories, 2012a, 2012b). SO fauna are listed as 177 species of benthic hydroids for the area (Schuchert, 2014a; Peña Cantero, 2014b), where we recorded 101 species (57% of the total). Although with the accumulated information in the last fifty years (e.g., Naumov & Stepanjants, 1962, 1972; Blanco & Bellusci de Miralles, 1972; Blanco, 1976, 1977, 1978, 1984; Stepanjants, 1979; Peña Cantero & García Carrascosa, 1999; Svoboda & Stepanjants, 2001; Peña Cantero, 2004, 2006, 2008, 2010a, 2010b, 2012, 2013; Peña Cantero & Gili, 2006; Peña Cantero & Ramil, 2006; Svoboda et al., 2006; Watson, 2008; Peña Cantero & Vervoort, 2009), many regions are still poorly studied, such as the Bellingshausen Sea and deeper waters (Peña Cantero, 2004, 2012, 2014b). However, the number of studies on benthic hydroid species has increased in the SSA and SO, as well as the number of checklists and richness assessments for the area (Migotto et al., 2002; Marques et al., 2003; Peña Cantero, 2004, 2014b; Oliveira et al., in press).

Endemism at the SWAO area we studied (22°S-60°S) is 39%, in contrast to the 2.4% of the hydroid species that was to be endemic to the SWAO from 34°S to 42°S (Genzano et al., 2009a). Clearly, the area we studied is four times larger, but this difference is most likely because the benthic hydroid fauna was poorly known (and may still be) in the last few years. Endemism for the

benthic hydroids of SEPO is 39%, but knowledge of this area remains incipient. Despite the many species of benthic marine invertebrates and the high levels of endemism reported for some taxa (Lee et al., 2008; Miloslavich et al., 2011), endemism studies for SEPO are rare (Moreno et al., 2006; Miloslavich et al., 2011). Although benthic hydroids from SEPO comprise only 16% of the total species recorded for the SSA and SO (Table 2), many of them are endemic.

South American marine biodiversity is clearly underestimated, and fish, crustaceans, molluscs, polychaetes, echinoderms, and macroalgae are usually reported. Yet, 22% of the entire marine fauna is probably endemic (Miloslavich et al., 2011). Hydroid endemism is at first apparently quite surprising (many of which are widely distributed worldwide, *e.g.*, *Obelia dichotoma*, *O. geniculata, Plumularia setacea*, Cornelius, 1975, 1995; Calder, 1991a, 1997; Schuchert, 2014b). Nonetheless, endemic hydroids occur in many locations worldwide, such as the Mediterranean Sea (Bouillon et al., 2004), the southern African coast (Millard, 1975), the SWAO (Galea, 2007; Genzano et al., 2009a; El Beshbeeshy & Jarms, 2011; Oliveira et al., in press), the southeastern Pacific Ocean (Galea, 2007; Galea et al., 2007c) and the SO (Stepanjants, 1979; Peña Cantero & García Carrascosa, 1999; Peña Cantero, 2004).

Concerning the SO, the marine biodiversity is relatively well known and with greater endemism than South America (Clarke & Johnson, 2003), with endemicity of 90% (e.g., pycnogonids, Arntz et al., 1997). SO benthic hydroid fauna is highly endemic (80%, Peña Cantero, 2014b), and its level of endemicity increased even more through our survey in the region (88%, Table 2). Some supraspecific taxa are endemic to the region (*Antarctoscyphus, Mixoscyphus, Oswaldella*) representing ca. 32% of the SO fauna (49 out of the 155 species in Peña Cantero, 2004). The high rate of endemism in the SO has been accompanied by its greater biodiversity, gigantism, longevity, and slow growth and late maturity of many species (Brandt et al., 2007a, 2007b).

Depth and latitudinal distribution

Inferences about latitudinal gradients in species richness are restricted to few, small groups, based on secondary data without statistical analysis. For instance, Genzano et al. (2008) surveyed the hydromedusae of the SWAO suggesting that richness decreases with latitude. For benthic hydroids species, Mendoza-Becerril & Marques (2013) compiled historical data of Bougainvilliidae species and inferred that richness decreases as latitude and depth increase. A clear pattern of latitudinal gradients requires the combination of ecological and biogeographical information (life cycles, morphology and size of the species along the latitudinal and/or depth gradients, etc.).

Depth is even more poorly studied, and there are many fewer deep-sea invertebrate than coastal studies (Calder, 1998), especially over large areas such as SSA and SO. Hydroid species richness was suggested to be greater in coastal than deep areas (Gili & Hughes, 1995), as may occur in the Mediterranean Sea (Gili, 1981) and SWAO (Zamponi et al., 1998; Genzano & Zamponi, 2003; Genzano et al., 2009a). The richness of other marine invertebrates (*e.g.*, amphipods, decapods, polychaetes, sponges) also decreases towards deeper areas (Pérez-Mendoza et al., 2003; De Broyer et al., 2004; Samaai et al., 2010; Rosa et al., 2012). Deep-sea hydroids began to be examined in the 1800s (Allman, 1877; Clarke, 1879; Fewkes, 1881; Nutting, 1900). Although studies are increasing, they are still fragmented, insufficient and in small areas (Kramp, 1956; Vervoort, 1966, 1985; Calder, 1996, 1998; Calder & Vervoort, 1998; Watson & Vervoort, 2001; Watson, 2003; Peña Cantero, 2004; Henry et al., 2008; Stepanjants, 2013). Combining our sampling in shallow waters (< 200m depth), along with scattered better-sampled deep-sea areas of SWAO and SO, we have begun to fill in these lacunae with a continuum of depths (Table 1). Lack of sampling in deep-sea areas is often due to difficult access (*e.g.*, hydrothermal vents), and to the need for sophisticated and very

expensive procedures such as oceanographic ships and ROVs. Samples in the deep-sea areas of SO, however, have been carried out recently through many special oceanographic campaigns (*e.g.*, ANDEEP I, II, III; Clarke et al., 2004; Brandt et al., 2007a, 2007b).

Large colonies should be more frequent in deep-sea areas (Gili et al., 1989). Indeed, most of the benthic hydroids collected in deep waters are in taxa with taller and more robust colonies, generally polysiphonic and branched, with a strong perisarc. Among these, the leptothecate Sertulariidae, Lafoeidae, Haleciidae, Kirchenpaueriidae, Schizotrichidae and Aglaopheniidae and the anthoathecate Clathrozoellidae are the most species-rich families in the deep sea (Vervoort, 1966, 1985; Calder, 1996, 1998; Calder & Vervoort, 1998; Watson & Vervoort, 2001; Watson, 2003; Peña Cantero, 2004; Altuna et al., 2013). In our study, species richest was also greatest in the Sertulariidae below 200m, followed by Schizotrichidae and Plumulariidae (Table 1). On the other hand, Bougainvilliidae, Clathrozoellidae, Corymorphidae, Eudendriidae, Hydractinidae and Tubulariidae are "anthoathecate" families commonly reported for deep-sea areas (Vervoort, 1985; Calder, 1998; Calder & Vervoort, 1998; Watson, 2003; Peña Cantero, 2004). These families also have species with polysiphonic and branched colonies, with robust habit and strong perisarc (Millard, 1975; Peña Cantero et al., 2003; Genzano et al., 2009a, 2009b). Leptothecates seem to dominate "anthoathecates" in the deep sea (Vervoort, 1966, 1985; Calder, 1996, 1998; Calder & Vervoort, 1998; Watson & Vervoort, 2001; Watson, 2003; Peña Cantero, 2004; Ronowicz et al., 2013a), yet no large-scale studies have addressed that possibility. Adressing this question is not within the scope of this study, but we call attention to the possibility that sampling methods for deep-sea (e.g., trawling, dredging) may damage the unusually delicate "anthoathecates". Therefore, the predominance of leptothecates in deep-sea areas could be a sampling artifact.

Substrate use

Substrate use is obviously important because it can constrain species distributions, mainly over large-scales with a strong weather gradient, as found in the ACSA and SO. Species of the ACSA and SO tend to be substrate generalists (Table 1), but some specialists have been noted, *e.g.*, *Corymorpha januarii* usually on soft bottoms (Silveira & Migotto, 1992; Genzano et al., 2009a; Table 1), *Eutima sapinhoa* exclusively on the tissues of *Tivella mactroides* (Migotto et al., 2004; Table 1), and *Orthopyxis* spp. and *Silicularia rosea* predominantly on algae (Oliveira & Marques, 2007; Cunha, 2011; Table 1). Although *Zyzzyzus warreni* is considered to be an exclusive epizoic on sponges (Campos et al., 2012), we found them on small fragments of algae, hydroids (*Eudendrium* sp.) and ascidians (Table 1).

Benthic hydroids are more abundant on hard substrates, and colonization of different substrates depends on morphology (Gili & Hughes, 1995; Genzano et al., 2009a). For instance, bushy forms and dense clumps (e.g., Amphisbetia operculata, Sertularella mediterranea, Plumularia setacea, Aglaophenia acacia) attach directly to rocks or shells (Genzano et al., 2009a), as observed with Ectopleura crocea, Hybocodon chilensis, Clytia gracilis, Obelia dichotoma and species of Eudendriidae, Aglaopheniidae, Sertulariidae, and Thyroscyphidae (Table 1). Soft, muddy and sandy substrates are common in the deep sea, and colonies stay erect and develop a polysiphonic hydrocauli inserted into the soft substrate through an anchoring system, forming a rachis-like structure (Gili & Hughes, 1995; Genzano et al., 2009a). The Atlantic continental shelf between 35°S and 42°S is dominated by soft sediments and thin sediments below 200m (Genzano et al., 2009a). We found Corymorpha januarii, Lytocarpia canepa and Plumularia insignis on soft and sandy bottoms and Amphisbetia operculata and Plumularia setacea on scattered rocky outcrops southwards (extending up to 57°S, viz., Genzano et al., 2009a; Table 1).

Continental shelves are usually narrow in SO waters between 60°S and 80°S (except for some areas of the Ross and Weddell Seas of up to ~125km; Clarke & Johnston, 2003), and so the bottom is deep in the SO (Griffiths, 2010; Clarke, 1996; Clarke & Johnston, 2003). Seabeds here are also soft, comprising different proportions of sand, gravel and mud (Clarke, 1996; Brandt et al., 2007a, 2007b). Erect, robust, branched and polysiphonic specimens we studied from 200 to 4,000 m deep are from museum collections and substrate information is not useful (Table 1). However, in the literature, Antarctic benthic hydroids and their colony morphology support the supposition that species with anchoring system (*e.g., Bouillonia denhartogi* and species of *Clathrozoella* and *Monocaulus*) occurred on both soft/sandy bottoms and on rocky outcrops of the SO (Vervoort, 2000; Svoboda & Stepanjants, 2001; Peña Cantero et al., 2003; Svoboda et al., 2006). Associations between benthic hydroids and other organisms are common and many SO samples were epibiotic on algae, bivalves, bryozoans, hydroids, mussels, polychaetes and sponges (Table 1).

Geographic distribution and biogeography

Two distinct assemblages of benthic hydroids formed clear clusters: SSA and SO. Eleven subgroups can be seen within these two assemblages (Figures 4–6). Overall, assemblages are congruent with previously proposed ecoregions (Spalding et al., 2007), as well as with other assemblages in smaller areas of the SSA and SO (Montiel et al., 2005; Carranza et al., 2008; Genzano et al., 2009a). The only exception is assemblage SSA 1 (Figures 4–6), composed by quadrants of deep-sea areas, which is a faunal group poorly explored in the SWAO.

Assemblage SSA 1 (Figures 4–6) includes quadrants between 200 and 800m, oceanographically under influence of the Brazil/Malvinas-Falkland Confluence (Acha et al., 2004). This assemblage comprises three widely distributed families, Aglaopheniidae, Lafoeidae and Sertulariidae (SIMPER results; Tables 1, 3). Except for *Sertularella tenella* (frequently an epibiont on sponges and hydroids among others; Table 1), the other species that contributed to this assemblage (*Acryptolaria conferta, Lytocarpia canepa, Sertularella tenella* and *Symplectoscyphus subdichotomus*, Table 3) are commonly found in the deep sea and cold waters (Peña Cantero et al., 2007; Peña Cantero, 2010b; Genzano et al., 2009a). These species have robust, erect and branched colonies, with a strong perisarc and an anchoring root system on the soft bottom, typical of deep-sea areas (Genzano et al., 2009a).

The SSA assemblage includes the subgroups, assemblages SSA 1 to SSA 6 (Figure 3–5). SSA assemblage corresponds to Warm Temperate Southeastern Pacific, Warm Temperate Southwestern Atlantic and Magellanic (Spalding et al., 2007). It is oceanographically influenced by the Humboldt current (in the Pacific, Acha et al., 2004; Lucas et al., 2005), and by the Malvinas/Falkland and Brazilian currents (in the Atlantic, Matsuura, 1986; Acha et al., 2004; Lucas et al., 2005), and it includes upwellings, estuaries, bays, and fjords.

Assemblages SSA 2, SSA 3 and SSA 4 encompass Southern Brazil, Río de La Plata and Argentinean Patagonia shelves (Figures 4–6). Several assemblages of benthic invertebrates have been described between 33°S and 56°S of the SWAO coast (Montiel et al., 2005; Carranza et al., 2008; Genzano et al., 2009a). For instance, two areas under the influence of environmental gradients (inner shelf and shallow zone influenced by the Río de La Plata, and outer shelf marine zone including magellanic and subtropical faunas) were important for species composition and abundance of gastropods (Carranza et al., 2008). Nine hydroid assemblages were found between 35° and 42°S and were associated with oceanographic regime and availability of substrates (Genzano et al., 2009a). In the Magellanic area, groups of species of polychaetes in the Atlantic and Pacific were either related to the Antarctic fauna or restricted to South America, suggesting that dispersion would be responsible for these patterns because currents of the West Wind Drift (WWD) could transport larvae from Antarctic to the South American continent (Montiel et al., 2005). All these patterns are congruent and inserted in the large-scale assemblages of benthic hydroids proposed herein.

Assemblages SSA 2, SSA 3 and SSA 4 are Patagonian in Argentina and Chile and characterized by unique biodiversity and oceanographic regimes (Acha et al., 2004; Lucas et al., 2005). They are in the Warm Temperate Southwestern Atlantic and Magellanic provinces, specifically the Uruguay-Buenos Aires Shelf, North Patagonian Gulfs, Patagonian Shelf, Channels and Fjords of Southern Chile, and Chiloense ecoregions (Spalding et al., 2007). This area is influenced by the abundant marine fronts generated by winds, tides, freshwater discharges and oceanic currents, and the fronts of the Chiloé zone would flow southwards through the Magellanic province transporting organisms to the Atlantic Patagonia (Acha et al., 2004). Our analysis supports this scenario, especially because assemblages SSA 2, SSA 3 and SSA 4 (Table 3) are unique compositions of species. For instance, *Clytia gracilis* is shared by all the assemblages; *Plumularia setacea* is shared between assemblages SSA 2 and SSA 3, and *Phialella belgicae* is shared by assemblages SSA 2 and SSA 4 (Table 3). All these assemblages have at least one species with distribution extended to the SO (Tables 1, 3).

Assemblage SSA 5 is in the ecoregions Central Chile and Araucanian, both in the province Temperate South America (Spalding et al., 2007). High primary productivity is resultant from the periodical upwellings, which is the cause of the diversity of the organisms of the region (Acha et al., 2004). Its benthic hydroid fauna is rich, especially in the southern fjords (Galea, 2006a, 2006b, 2007; 2010; Galea & Leclère, 2007; Galea et al., 2007a, 2007b, 2007c, 2009a, 2009b; Galea & Schories, 2012a).

Although assemblage SSA 6 was well supported (SIMPROF test, Figure 3), it was not evaluated by SIMPER because of the minimum requirement of two quadrants (Clarke & Warwick, 2001). However, biologically, assemblage SSA 6 represents a clear cluster comprising the southeastern and southern coast of Brazil. This assemblage coincides with ecoregions Southeastern Brazil and Rio Grande, both inserted in the Warm Temperate Southwestern Atlantic province (Spalding et al., 2007). It is strongly influenced by wind-induced processes of resurgence, and receives the cold and nutrient-rich waters of the South Atlantic Central Water (SACW) through seasonal upwellings (Matsuura, 1986; Castro & Miranda, 1998; Acha et al., 2004). This upwelling results in high diversity of the benthic communities, mainly composed by rich algae banks, mussels, barnacles and detritivorous bivalves of the inner shelf (Acha et al., 2004). Many of these organisms are substrates for benthic hydroids, and define this assemblage: Acryptolaria conferta, Dynamena dalmasi, D. disticha, Hincksella cylindrica, Lafoea coalescens, Monostaechas quadridens, Sertularella tenella, Sertularia distans and Synthecium tubithecum (Table 1, 3). These species belong to the Halopterididae, Lafoeidae, Sertulariidae, and Syntheciidae (Table 1), and are typically and frequently found on the southern coast of Brazil (Migotto, 1996; Grohmann et al., 2003, 2011; Cunha & Jacobucci, 2010; Miranda et al., 2011; Fernandez et al., 2014a, 2014b). Exceptions are deep-sea species poorly known from the Brazilian coast, some of them recorded for the first time for this area (A. conferta and L. coalescens).

Alternative methods of analysis showed from 13 to 16 areas of endemism for the SWAO, and are associated with the ecological and oceanographic conditions of the region (Miranda et al., unpublished). These areas were basically on the Brazilian coast, the Uruguay-Argentina coast and disjunctively both, coinciding with the assemblages SSA 2, SSA 4 and SSA 6 (Figure 3–5).

The SO assemblage is a large group that encompasses assemblages SO 1 to SO 5 (Figures 3–5). The SO oceanographic regime depends on the wind-driven Antarctic Circumpolar Current (ACC), the largest current in the world, that connects all the southern oceans: Atlantic, Pacific and

Indian (Barker et al., 2007). The ACC is a strong barrier to water exchange between southern and northern areas (Clarke et al., 2005). However, the SO is not completely isolated, with large-scale eddies that are responsible for transportation and exchange of organisms from the Antarctic to the sub-Antarctic areas (Clarke et al., 2005). Additionally, eastward flowing waters of the deep and cold waters of the Weddell Sea were predicted to carry water, and therefore organisms, to the other oceans, allowing the interchange between different marine environments (Brandt et al., 2007a). These predictions help explain the disjunctive patterns of the quadrants of the assemblages SO 1 and SO 5, uniting the Weddell with the Ross Sea (assemblage SO 1; Figures 3-5), and the East coast of Antarctica with part of the Weddell Sea (assemblage SO 5; Figures 3-5), although these two assemblages share only two species (Antarctoscyphus spiralis and Staurotheca antarctica; SIMPER analysis, Table 3). Assemblages SO 2, SO 3 and SO 4 are well defined and isolated, each with its specific fauna (Figures 3-5; Table 3). Assemblage SO 2 is Bouvet Island, a biogeographically unique site because of its isolation (Barnes, 2006; Peña Cantero & Gili, 2006). The Bouvet assemblage is within an ecoregion of the SO province (Spalding et al., 2007). The poorly known benthic fauna of Bouvet Island has affinities with the Scotia Arc and Weddell Sea faunas (Barnes, 2006). Concerning benthic hydroids, most species from Bouvet Island are typical of the SO waters (Peña Cantero & Gili, 2006). Also, species characterizing Bouvet assemblage are typically found in the SO (Table 3), with Staurotheca australis as the only species with its northernmost distribution at Bouvet Island (Table 1).

Assemblage SO 3 encompasses the Scotia Arc, a transition zone between the Antarctic Peninsula and the Magellan region (Clarke & Johnston, 2003; Lawver & Gahagan, 2003; Clarke et al., 2005; Linse et al., 2006, 2008; Marques & Peña Cantero, 2010; Miranda et al., 2013). Also considered as a province by Spalding et al. (2007), the Scotia Arc assemblage includes the South Sandwich Islands, South Georgia and South Oarkney Islands ecoregions. Species best characterizing the Scotia Arc assemblage (sertulariids of genera *Antarctoscyphus* and *Staurotheca*, and the schizotrichid *Schizotricha turqueti*; Table 3) are distributed along the Patagonian and Antarctic coast, except for *Staurotheca multifurcata* (only on the Patagonian coast, Table 1).

The assemblage SO 4 includes quadrants of the Antarctic Peninsula, among the best-sampled areas of the SO (Clarke & Johnston, 2003; Brandt et al., 2007; Clarke et al., 2007), including the South Shetland Islands and Antarctic Peninsula (province of Scotia Sea) ecoregions of Spalding et al. (2007). Most of the species in this assemblage are Sertulariidae, Kirchenpaueriidae, and Haleciidae (Table 1, 3), leptothecate families that are widely distributed and species-rich in the SO (Peña Cantero, 2007, 2010b, 2014a; Peña Cantero & Vervoort, 2004a, 2004b, 2005a). Few species occur exclusively in the SO, most of them distributed along the Patagonian and Antarctic coast (Table 1), supporting the supposition of a connection between the South American and Antarctic benthic fauna.

All assemblages discussed have particular species compositions (SIMPER analysis). However, due to the BVSTEP algorithm, a similarity matrix including only 13 benthic hydroids (Antarctoscyphus elongatus, A. spiralis, Halecium ovatum, Lafoea dumosa, Obelia longissima, Plumularia setacea, Sertularella gaudichaudi, S. tenella, Staurotheca antarctica, S. dichotoma, S. glomulosa, Symplectoscyphus glacialis, and Tulpa tulipifera) has 95% correlation with the original matrix (that is, explains most of the total assemblage). So, the 13 species matrix provide the same basic ordination of the nMDS resultant from the analysis of a 256 species matrix. The 13 species have wider horizontal and vertical distribution and may represent key-species for the maintenance of the assemblages. Their actual ecological role in the assemblages however, can only be elucidated with study focusing on their abundance through time, their tolerance to abiotic factors (e.g., temperature, salinity, substrate), and biotic interactions with the other organisms of the assemblages (hydroids and non-hydroids).

Several connections between the faunas of the SSA and SO have been proposed, involving different evolutionary processes, such as dispersal and vicariance (Knox & Lowry, 1977; Beu et al., 1997; Lawver & Gahagan, 2003; Clarke et al., 2005; Marques & Peña Cantero, 2010; Miranda et al., 2013). For the benthic hydroids of the SO, recently proposed areas of endemism correlated them with different evolutionary scenarios (Marques & Peña Cantero, 2010; Miranda et al., 2013). The assemblages we found concur with some of these areas, mainly the Magellan zone, Scotia Sea, Antarctic Peninsula, Weddell Sea, Ross Sea and East coast of Antarctica (Marques & Peña Cantero, 2010; Miranda et al., 2013 and Figures 4–6). However, considering that vast areas of the SO are unknown, especially in deeper waters (Brandt et al., 2007b), additional and complementary data are required to further elucidate these patterns we propose. Understanding these patters will require more integrative analyses of the SSA and SO marine fauna based on evolutionary and distributional hypotheses. Relationships between the ecological assemblages proposed herein and the historical areas of endemism previously reported for the SSA and SO are also fundamentally important to a better understanding of the biogeographic patterns of these marine regions.

FINAL REMARKS

Large-scale studies of ecological assemblages using benthic hydroids are rare, even for the northern hemisphere, where studies of distributions and biogeography are much older and more abundant (Lees, 1986; Calder, 1991a, 1992, 1995; Ronowicz, 2007; Di Camillo et al., 2008; Henry et al., 2008; Puce et al., 2009; González-Duarte et al., 2013; Megina et al., 2013). For the southern hemisphere, the few studies on benthic hydroid assemblages are concentrated in the northeast and southeast of Brazil, Buenos Aires and the South African coast (Millard, 1978; Calder & Mayal, 1998; Genzano & Zamponi, 2003; Genzano et al., 2009; Fernandez et al., 2014a, 2014b).

Studies on benthic hydroids usually examine species abundance, substrate preference, distribution and seasonality (*e.g.*, Calder, 1991b; Migotto et al., 2001; Cunha & Jacobucci, 2010; Genzano et al., 2009a; Ronowicz et al., 2011, 2013a, 2013b; Gravili et al., 2013; Megina et al., 2013; Fernandez et al., 2014a, 2014b). Analysis of richness and diversity were examined in the context of different physical factors (substrate type, depth), composition and structure of assemblages, life cycle strategy, dispersive capacity and general distribution (Genzano et al. 2009a; Gibbons et al., 2010a, 2010; Ronowicz et al., 2011, 2013a, 2013b; Fernandez et al., 2014a, 2014b). Fewer studies examine levels of endemism, vertical distribution, abundance, composition and structure of assemblages, and this is the first in such a large scale as the SSA and SO.

The overall importance of hydroids on benthic communities of the SSA and SO is still understudied. Benthic hydroids are pioneer organisms in the colonization of natural and artificial substrates, with rapid growth by asexual reproduction (Millard, 1975; Gili & Hughes, 1995; Rosso & Marques, 1997; Migotto et al., 2001; Megina et al., 2013: Fernandez et al., 2014a, 2014b). Additionally, hydroids may be key group for understanding the establishment and maintenance of benthic marine communities because of the wide diversity of strategies of sexual reproduction and their association with many marine organisms (Gili & Hughes, 1995; Genzano, 1998, 2001, 2002; Genzano & Rodrigues, 1998; Genzano & San Martín, 2002; Genzano et al., 2003, 2009a; Migotto et al., 2004; Puce et al., 2004, 2005; Di Camillo et al., 2005, 2006; Oliveira & Marques, 2007; Ronowicz et al., 2008, 2013a, 2013b). Biogeographical patterns, like the disjunction between the SSA and SO assemblages of benthic hydroid species are clear (Figures 4–6). Also, several smaller assemblages within SSA and SO (Figures 4–6) coincide with previously proposed ecoregions, provinces and areas of endemism (Spalding et al., 2007; Marques & Peña Cantero, 2010; Miranda et al., 2013; unpublished). Many of these assemblages, such as the Scotia Arc (assemblage SO3; Figures 4–6), will be important to examine the biogeographic role of the evolutionary and ecological processes of the marine communities and ecosystems. Here we examine species richness, substrates, distributions and endemism of benthic hydroids from SSA and SO. We find large-scale and distinct assemblages related to the oceanography of the area and, in part, concur with previously observed biogeographic patterns. This enlarged picture allows a better understanding in the evolution of biodiversity and benthic community structures in a region under constant and increasing environmental impact.

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Figure 1. Sampling locations (n = 1,351) of the morphospecies examined herein of benthic hydroids of the southern South America (SSA) coast and the Southern Ocean (SO).



Figure 2. Proportion of endemism relative to the total number of endemic species of benthic hydroids (N=137) recorded for the southern South America (SSA) coast and the Southern Ocean (SO).



Figure 3. Hierarchical cluster based on Bray-Curtis similarity analysis resulted in 13 assemblages of benthic hydroid species for the Austral coast of South America (ACSA) and Southern Ocean (SO). Numbers 1 to 33 refer to the quadrants in Figure 6.



Figure 4. Non-metric multidimensional scaling (nMDS) diagram showing 13 assemblages of benthic hydroids species found for the southern South America (SSA) and the Southern Ocean (SO). Numbers 1 to 33 refer to the quadrants in Figure 6.



Figure 5. Geographic distribution of the 13 assemblages of benthic hydroid species derived from Bray-Curtis similarity analysis for the southern South America (SSA) coast and the Southern Ocean (SO). Numbers 1 to 33 refer to the quadrants used in the similarity analysis.

Table 1. Morphospecies of benthic hydroids analyzed, their substrates, occurrence, depth, collection method and provenance of the material. Endemic species are marked in grey. ¹SA: South Atlantic Ocean; SI: South Indian Ocean; SP: South Pacific Ocean; S: Southern Ocean; ²DZOO-UFPR: Departamento de Zoologia-Universidade Federal do Paraná; FCNyM-UNLP: Facultad de Ciéncias Naturales y Museo-Universidad Nacional de La Plata; MCN-FZB: Museu de Ciências Naturais-Fundação Zoobotânica do Rio Grande do Sul; MNHNU: Museo Nacional de Historia Natural del Uruguay; MHNG: Muséum d'Histoire Naturelle de la Ville Genève; MNRJ: Museu Nacional, Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro; MZUSP: Museu de Zoologia, Universidade de São Paulo; UNMdP: Universidad Nacional Mar del Plata; USNM: National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution; UV: Universidad de Valencia; ZMH: Zoologisches Museum Hamburg.

Species	Substrate	Locality	Ocean1	Depth (m)	Collection method	Provenance2			
	CLASS HYDROZC	A OWEN, 1843							
Hydrozoan not-identified	Sponges	22°S to 77°S	SA, SP, S	4–280	Not-recorded	MNHNU, MNRJ, USNM			
	ORDER "ANTHOATHECA"	TA" CORNELIUS	s, 1992						
"Anthoathecata" not-identified	Algae, hydroids, rock, sponges	20°S to 64°S	SA, SP, S	1–75	Dredge, manual, snorkeling, SCUBA	MCN-FZB, MNRJ, MZUSP, USNM			
SUBORDER APLANULATA COLLINS, WINKELMANN, HADRYS & SCHIERWATER, 2005									
	Family Corymorphic	lae Allman, 1872							
Corymorpha januarii Steenstrup, 1854	Sandy soft-bottom	39°S to 43°S	SA	7–11	SCUBA	UNMdP			
Monocaulus microrhiza (Hickson & Gravely, 1907)	Not-recorded	64°S to 78°S	S	237–970	Trawl	USNM; Svoboda & Stepanjants, 2001			
Monocaulus parvula (Hickson & Gravely, 1907)	Rock, shingle	63°S to 79°S	S	3–440	Not-recorded	USNM; Svoboda & Stepanjants, 2001			
	Family Tubulariidae	e Fleming, 1828							
Bouillonia denhartogi Svoboda, Stepanjants & Ljubenkov, 2006	Not-recorded	66°S to 67°S	S	3421	Not-recorded	USNM			
Ectopleura crocea (L. Agassiz, 1862)	Algae, boat, egg mass, hydroids, net tank, rock, sand shell	22°S to 53°S	SA	0–12	Manual, snorkeling, SCUBA, trawling	DZOO-UFPR, UNMdP, MZUSP			
Ectopleura obypa Migotto & Marques, 1999	Algae	23°S to 24°S	SA	1	Manual	MZUSP			
<i>Ectopleura</i> sp.	Not-recorded	22°S to 23°S	SA	Not- recorded	Not-recorded	MZUSP			

Hybocodon chilensis Hartlaub, 1905	Rock	53°S to 55°S	SA	0–5	Manual	MZUSP, UNMdP, UV
<i>Pybocodon chilensis</i> Hartlaub, 1905	Not-recorded	54°S to 55°S	SA	Not- recorded	Not-recorded	UV
Zyzzyzus warreni Calder, 1988	Algae, ascidian, hydroid, sponge	23°S to 28°S	SA	0–5	Manual	MZUSP
	SUBORDER CAPITA	ATA KÜHN, 1913				
	Family Cladocorynid	lae Allman, 1872				
Cladocoryne floccosa Rotch, 1871	Algae	23°S to 28°S	SA	0–4	Manual, snorkeling	DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP
	Family Cladonematidae	e Gegenbaur, 18	57			
Cladonema radiatum Dujardin, 1843	Algae	23°S to 24°S	SA	1	Manual	MZUSP
	Family Corynidae	Johnston, 1836				
Coryne eximia Allman, 1859	Hydroid, sponge	28°S to 54°S	SA, SP	0–24	Manual	MNRJ, MZUSP, UNMdP
Staurodiosarsia reesi (Vannucci, 1956)	Not-recorded	40°S to 41°S	SA	0–5	Manual	UNMdP
	Family Pennariidae	McCrady, 1859				
Pennaria disticha Goldfuss, 1820	Algae, buoy, long line, rock	23°S to 28°S	SA	0–16	Manual, SCUBA, trawl	DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP
	Family Sphaerocoryn	idae Prévot, 195	9			
Sphaerocoryne sp.	Sponge	27°S to 28°S	SA	0–5	Manual	MZUSP
	"FILIFERA" KÜ	ÜHN, 1913				
Filifera not-identified	Algae, sand, sponges	22°S to 54°S	SA, SP	0–158	Dredge, manual	MCN-FZB, MNRJ, MZUSP
	Family Bougainvilliid	lae Lütken, 1850				
Bougainvilliidae not-identified	Sponge	48°S to 49°S	SP	12	Not-recorded	MNRJ, MZUSP
<i>Bimeria</i> sp.	Rock	23°S to 26°S	SA	0–5	Manual	MZUSP
<i>Bimeria vestita</i> Wright, 1859	Algae, hydroid, sponge	23°S to 43°S	SA	0–70	Manual, SCUBA	DZOO-UFPR, MNRJ, MZUSP, UNMdP
Bougainvillia rugosa Clarke, 1882	Mussel, polyethylene plate	26°S to 27°S	SA	0–3	Snorkeling	dzoo-ufpr, Mzusp
<i>Bougainvillia</i> sp.	Algae, bryozoan, hydroid, mussel, polychaete tube, rock, rope, shell, sponge	22° to 73°S	SA, SP, S	0–264	Dredge, manual, SCUBA, snorkeling, trawl	DZOO-UFPR, MCN- FZB, MNRJ, MZUSP, UNMdP, USNM

Bougainvilliidae not-identified	Sponge	22°S to 53°S	SA, SP	4–20	Snorkeling	MNRJ				
Parawrightia robusta Warren, 1908	Algae, ascidian	26°S to 30°S	SA	0–5	Manual	DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP				
Family Clathrozoellidae Peña Cantero, Vervoort & Watson, 2003										
Clathrozoella abyssalis Peña Cantero, Vervoort & Watson, 2003	Not-recorded	58°S to 59°S	S	3074– 3093	Not-recorded	USNM				
Clathrozoella medeae Peña Cantero, Vervoort & Watson, 2003	Not-recorded	60°S to 64°S	S	128–641	Not-recorded	USNM				
	Family Eudendriidae	L. Agassiz, 1862								
Eudendriidae not-identified	Sponge	32°S to 63°S	SA, S	13–411	Trawl	MCN-FZB, USNM, UV				
Eudendrium capillare Alder, 1856	Algae	23°S to 24°S	SA	0–1	Not-recorded	MZUSP				
Eudendrium caraiuru Marques & Oliveira, 2003	Bryozoan, metallic structure, recruitment plate, rock, rope	22°S to 39°S	SA	0–1	Manual, SCUBA	DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP, UNMdP				
Eudendrium carneum Clarke, 1882	Algae, boat, bryozoan, buoy, mud, rock, shell	23°S to 29°S	SA	0–26	Manual, SCUBA, snorkeling, trawl	DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP				
Eudendrium merulum Watson, 1985	Not-recorded	27°S to 28°S	SA	Not- recorded	Not-recorded	MZUSP				
Eudendrium pocaruquarum Marques, 1995	Algae, rock	23°S to 24°S	SA	0–1	Not-recorded	MZUSP				
Eudendrium ramosum (Linnaeus, 1758)	Rock, sponge	22°S to 42°S	SA, SP	2–48	Dredge, snorkeling	MCN-FZB, MNRJ, MZUSP, UNMdP				
Eudendirum sp.	Algae, ascidians, hydroids, rocks, sponges	22°S to 68°S	SA, SP, S	0–355	Dredge, manual, SCUBA, snorkeling	DZOO-UFPR, MCN- FZB, MNRJ, MZUSP, USNM				
Eudendrium tottoni Stechow, 1932	Not-recorded	64°S to 65°S	S	Not- recorded	Not-recorded	USNM				
	Family Hydractinidae	L. Agassiz, 1862	2							
Hydractinidae not-identified	Not-recorded	52°S to 55°S	SA	70–329	Not-recorded	UV				
<i>Hydractinia</i> sp.	Polyethylene plate, shell	25°S to 26°S	SA	8–329	Manual, trawl	DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP				
Hydractinia uniformis Stampar, Tronolone & Morandini, 2006	Coral debries	23°S to 24°S	SA	Not- recorded	Not-recorded	MZUSP				
	Family Oceaniidae E	schscholtz, 1829								
Cordylophora caspia (Pallas, 1771)	Not-recorded	34°S to 35°S	SA	Not- recorded	Not-recorded	MZUSP				
Corydendrium parasiticum (Linnaeus, 1767)	Shell	Not-recorded	SA	Not- recorded	Not-recorded	MZUSP				

Rhizogeton nudus Broch, 1910	Not-recorded	38°S to 39°S	SA	0–5	Manual	UNMdP
Turritopsis nutricula McCrady, 1857	Hydroid, mussel, rock, rope, sponge	22°S to 28°S	SA	0–2	Manual, SCUBA, snorkeling	DZOO-UFPR, MNRJ, MZUSP
<i>Turritopsis</i> sp.	Algae	26°S to 27°S	SA	0–2	Manual, snorkeling	MZUSP
	ORDER LEPTOTHECAT	A CORNELIUS,	1992			
Leptothecata not-identified	Sponge	53°S to 73°S	SP, S	51–59	Not-recorded	USNM
	SUBORDER CONIC	A BROCH, 1910				
Fa	amily Aglaopheniidae Markta	anner-Turneretsc	her, 1890			
Aglaophenia acacia Allman, 1883	Sponges	34°S to 43°S	SA	47–53	Dredge	MCN-FZB, MNHNU, MNRJ, UNMdP
Aglaophenia latecarinata Allman, 1877	Algae, hydroids, rock, sponges	22°S to 29°S	SA	0–15	Manual, SCUBA, snorkeling	DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP
Aglaophenia rhynchocarpa Allman, 1877	Submarine floating device	26°S to 27°S	SA	Not- recorded	Not-recorded	DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP
Aglaophenia trifida L. Agassiz, 1862	Algae, hydroid, rock, sponge	22°S to 24°S	SA	60	Dredge, SCUBA, Van Veen	DZOO-UFPR, MNRJ, MZUSP
Gymnangium allmani (Marktanner-Turneretscher, 1890)	Rock	22°S to 23°S	SA	Not- recorded	Not-recorded	DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP
Lytocarpia canepa Blanco & Bellusci de Miralles, 1971	Soft-bottom	38°S to 57°S	SA	100–800	Not-recorded	UNMdP, UV
Lytocarpia ?canepa Blanco & Bellusci de Miralles, 1971	Not-recorded	53°S to 55°S	SA	512–641	Not-recorded	UV
<i>Lytocarpia tridentata</i> (Versluys, 1899)	Algae, rock	23°S to 29°S	SA	0–9	SCUBA	MZUSP
Macrorhynchia grandis (Clarke, 1879)	Rock	22°S to 23°S	SA	Not- recorded	Not-recorded	DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP
Macrorhynchia philippina KIrchenpauer, 1872	Algae, hydroid, rock	23°S to 28°S	SA	0–8	Manual, SCUBA, snorkeling	DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP
	Family Campanulinic	dae Hincks, 1868				
Campanulinidae not-identified	Algae, hydroid, sponges	23°S to 64°S	SA, S	0–400	Dredge, manual, net	DZOO-UFPR, MCN- FZB, MZUSP
Cuspidella sp.	Algae, hydroid	22°S to 28°S	SA	0–7	Manual, SCUBA, snorkeling	MNRJ, MZUSP
Lafoeina amirantensis (Millard & Bouillon, 1973)	Algae, hydroids, sponges	22°S to 28°S	SA	0–8	Manual, SCUBA, snorkeling	MNRJ, MZUSP
Stegella lobata (Vanhöffen, 1910)	Sponges	61°S to 78°S	S	0–490	Dredge	MCN-FZB, MZUSP, USNM
	Family Eirenidae	Haeckel, 1879				
Eutima sapinhoa Narchi & Hebling, 1975	Mussel	23°S to 24°S	SA	0	Manual	MZUSP

Family Haleciidae Hincks, 1868								
Haleciidae not-identified	Algae, bryozoan, sponge	22°S to 28°S	SA	9–103	Dredge, SCUBA, snorkeling	MNRJ, MZUSP		
Halecium antarcticum Vanhöffen, 1910	Sponge	62°S to 63°S	S	280	Dredge	MCN-FZB, MZUSP		
Halecium ?antarcticum Vanhöffen, 1910	Polychaete tube	54°S to 55°S	SA	Not- recorded	SCUBA	MZUSP		
Halecium beanii (Johnston, 1838)	Sponge	35°S to 54°S	SA, SP	20–110	SCUBA, trawl	MNRJ, MZUSP, UNMdP, USNM, UV		
Halecium bermudense Congdon, 1907	Rock, sponge	22°S to 28°S	SA	10–60	Dredge, SCUBA	MNRJ, MZUSP		
Halecium delicatulum Coughtrey, 1876	Algae, hydroid, polychaete tube, shell, sponge	23°S to 78°S	SA, SP, S	82–411	Trawl	MCN-FZB, MZUSP, UNMdP, USNM, UV		
Halecium dichotomum Allman, 1888	Algae, sponge	23°S to 36°S	SA	9–94	Dredge, SCUBA, Van Veen	MCN-FZB, MZUSP		
Halecium dyssymetrum Billard, 1929	Algae, hydroid, rock, shell, sponge	23°S to 28°S	SA	0–15	Manual, SCUBA, snorkeling	DZOO- UFPR, MZUSP		
Halecium ?dyssymetrum Billard, 1929	Hydroid, sponge	22°S to 34°S	SA	14–65	Dredge, SCUBA	MCN-FZB, MNRJ, MZUSP		
Halecium jaederholmi Vervoort, 1972	Sponge	60°S to 78°S	S	73–1674	Net, trawl	MCN-FZB, MZUSP, USNM		
?Halecium jaederholmi Vervoort, 1972	Sponge	62°S to 64°S	S	82–264	Dredge	MCN-FZB, MZUSP		
Halecium lightbourni Calder, 1991	Algae, hydroid, sponge	23°S to 28°S	SA	9	SCUBA, snorkeling	MNRJ, MZUSP		
Halecium ovatum Totton, 1930	Sponge	29°S to 77°S	SA, SP, S	7–1890	Net, trawl	MNRJ, MZUSP, USNM		
Halecium pallens Jäderholm, 1904	Not-recorded	60°S to 78°S	S	100–640	Trawl	USNM		
Halecium secundum Jäderholm, 1904	Not-recorded	Not-recorded	S	Not- recorded	Trawl	USNM		
Halecium sp.	Algae, hydroid, sponge	27°S to 75°S	SA, SP, S	0–2306	Dredge, SCUBA, snorkeling, trawl	MCN-FZB, MNRJ, MZUSP, USNM, UV		
Halecium tenellum Hincks, 1861	Algae, hydroid, rock, shell, sponge	23°S to 53°S	SA, SP	1–101	Manual, SCUBA, trawl	MZUSP, USNM		
Hydrodendron arboreum (Allman, 1888)	Not-recorded	60°S to 63°S	S	94–229	Trawl	USNM		
Nemalecium lighti (Hargitt, 1924)	Mussel, rope, sponge	22°S to 24°S	SA	0–2	Manual, snorkeling	MNRJ, MZUSP		
Ophiodissa sp.	Sponge	23°S to 24°S	SA	Not- recorded	Not-recorded	MNRJ, MZUSP		
	Family Halopteridida	ae Millard, 1962						
Halopterididae not-identified	Sponge	23°S to 63°S	SA, S	210–220	SCUBA, trawl	MZUSP, USNM		

Antennella secundaria (Gmelin, 1791)	Sponge	27°S to 28°S	SA	13	SCUBA	MZUSP
Antennella sp.	Not-recorded	53°S to 54°S	SA	512–586	Not-recorded	UV
Halopteris alternata (Nutting, 1900)	Sponge	23°S to 24°S	SA	1	Not-recorded	MNRJ, MZUSP
Halopteris carinata Allman, 1877	Submarine floating device	26°S to 27°S	SA	Not- recorded	Not-recorded	DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP
Halopteris ?catharina (Johnston, 1833)	Not-recorded	53°S to 54°S	SA	256–269	Not-recorded	UV
Halopteris constricta Totton, 1930	Not-recorded	41°S to 43°S	SA	70–90	Not-recorded	UNMdP
Halopteris diaphana (Heller, 1868)	Algae, hydroid, rock, sponge	23°S to 27°S	SA	0–8	Manual, SCUBA, snorkeling	DZOO-UFPR, MNRJ, MZUSP
Halopteris plumosa Galea & Schories, 2012	Not-recorded	52°S to 54°S	SA	0–90	Not-recorded	UV
Halopteris polymorpha (Billard, 1913)	Algae, rock, sponge	22°S to 54°S	SA	0–14	SCUBA, Van Veen	DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP, UV
Halopteris sp.	Sponge	53°S to 54°S	SA, SP	51–110	Trawl	USNM, UV
Halopteris tenella (Verrill, 1874)	Sponge	52°S to 53°S	SP	188–247	Trawl	USNM
Monostaechas quadridens (McCrady, 1859)	Algae, hydroid, polychaete tube, rock, shell, sponge	22°S to 39°S	SA	6–103	Dredge, SCUBA, snorkeling	MNRJ, MZUSP, UNMdP
	Family Hebellida	e Fraser, 1912				
Hebellidae not-identified	Not-recorded	54°S to 55°S	SA	84	Not-recorded	UV
Halisiphonia sp.	Hydroid	53°S to 54°S	SA	567–578	Not-recorded	UV
Hebella scandens (Bale, 1888)	Hydroid	23°S to 38°S	SA	0–7	Manual, SCUBA	DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP, UNMdP
<i>Hebella</i> sp.	Hydroid	53°S to 57°S	SA, SP, S	18–494	Trawl	USNM, UV
<i>Hebella striata</i> Allman, 1888	Hydroid	52°S to 55°S	SA, SP	0–307	Not-recorded	UV
<i>Hebella ?striata</i> Allman, 1888	Hydroid	54°S to 55°S	SA	84	Not-recorded	UV
Scandia mutabilis (Ritchie, 1907)	Hydroid	23°S to 28°S	SA	0–2	Manual	DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP
	Family Kirchenpaueri	idae Stechow, 19	21			
Oswaldella antarctica (Jäderholm, 1904)	Sponge	60°S to 78°S	S	22–1674	Trawl	USNM
Oswaldella bifurca (Hartlaub, 1904)	Not-recorded	67°S to 77°S	S	342-1610	Grab, trawl	USNM
Oswaldella billardi Briggs, 1938	Sponge	65°S to 76°S	S	0–500	Dredge	USNM
Oswaldella blanconae El Beshbeeshy, 2011	Not-recorded	63°S to 73°S	S	90–352	Trawl	USNM
Oswaldella crassa Peña Cantero & Vervoort, 1998	Not-recorded	62°S to 63°S	S	662–1120	Trawl	USNM
Oswaldella curiosa Peña Cantero & Vervoort, 1998	Not-recorded	62°S to 63°S	S	662–1120	Trawl	USNM
Oswaldella delicata Peña Cantero, Svoboda & Vervoort, 1997	Hydroid	62°S to 79°S	S	126-562	Trawl	USNM

<i>Oswaldella elongata</i> Peña Cantero, García Carrascosa & Vervoort, 1995	Not-recorded	54°S to 55°S	SA	86–250	Not-recorded	UV	
Oswaldella encarnae Peña Cantero, Svoboda & Vervoort, 1997	Not-recorded	76°S to 78°S	S	252–440	Dredge	USNM	
Oswaldella erratum Peña Cantero & Vervoort, 1997	Not-recorded	54°S to 78°S	SA, S	15–696	Grab, net, trawl	USNM	
Oswaldella frigida Peña Cantero & Vervoort, 2004	Not-recorded	62°S to 64°S	S	44–124	Trawl	USNM	
<i>Oswaldella garciacarrascosai</i> Peña Cantero, Svoboda & Vervoort, 1997	Not-recorded	76°S to 77°S	S	330–340	Not-recorded	UV	
Oswaldella gracilis Peña Cantero, Svoboda & Vervoort, 1997	Not-recorded	75°S to 76°S	S	440	Not-recorded	UV	
Oswaldella grandis Peña Cantero, Svoboda & Vervoort, 1997	Not-recorded	61°S to 77°S	S	20–922	Trawl	USNM	
Oswaldella ?grandis Peña Cantero, Svoboda & Vervoort, 1997	Sponge	62°S to 63°S	S	210–220	Trawl	USNM	
Oswaldella herwigi El Beshbeeshy, 2011	Not-recorded	52°S to 54°S	SA	44–586	Trawl	USNM	
Oswaldella incognita Peña Cantero, Svoboda & Vervoort, 1997	Not-recorded	58°S to 67°S	SA, S	20–952	Grab, net, trawl	USNM	
Oswaldella laertesi Peña Cantero, 2007	Not-recorded	71°S to 72°S	S	343–736	Not-recorded	UV	
Oswaldella medeae Peña Cantero & Vervoort, 2004	Not-recorded	62°S to 75°S	S	210–503	Trawl	USNM	
Oswaldella monomammillata Peña Cantero & Vervoort, 2004	Not-recorded	62°S to 63°S	S	265	Trawl	USNM	
Oswaldella niobae Peña Cantero & Ramil, 2006	Not-recorded	62°S to 63°S	S	699–922	Not-recorded	UV	
Oswaldella obscura Peña Cantero, Svoboda & Vervoort, 1997	Not-recorded	70°S to 77°S	S	260–830	Not-recorded	UV	
Oswaldella rigida Peña Cantero, Svoboda & Vervoort, 1997	Not-recorded	70°S to 77°S	S	196–830	Not-recorded	UV	
Oswaldella shetlandica Stepanjants, 1979	Not-recorded	58°S to 66°S	SA, S	20–952	Grab, net, trawl	USNM	
Oswaldella ?shetlandica Stepanjants, 1979	Sponge	62°S to 63°S	S	95	Dredge	MCN-FZB, MZUSP	
<i>Oswaldella</i> sp.	Sponge	54°S to 78°S	SA, S	70–384	Trawl	MCN-FZB, MZUSP, USNM	
<i>Oswaldella</i> sp. 1	Not-recorded	62°S to 67°S	S	85–1120	Not-recorded	USNM	
Oswaldella sp. 2	Not-recorded	66°S to 67°S	S	18–146	Not-recorded	USNM	
Oswaldella stepanjantsae El Beshbeeshy, 2011	Not-recorded	62°S to 77°S	S	36–1890	Dredge, trawl	USNM	
Oswaldella terranovae Peña Cantero & Vervoort, 1996	Not-recorded	71°S to 72°S	S	82–92	Not-recorded	USNM	
Oswaldella tottoni Peña Cantero & Vervoort, 1996	Sponge	61°S to 77°S	S	210–400	Trawl	USNM	
Oswaldella vervoorti Peña Cantero & García Carrascosa, 1998	Not-recorded	54°S to 55°S	SA, S	33–952	Dredge, grab, net, trawl	USNM	
Pycnotheca mirabilis (Allman, 1888)	Algae, hydroid, rock	23°S to 29°S	SA	0–9	Manual, SCUBA, snorkeling	DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP	
Ventromma halecioides (Alder, 1859)	Algae, rock, sponge	22°S to 54°S	SA, SP	0–80	Manual, SCUBA	DZOO-UFPR, MNRJ, MZUSP, UV	
Family Lafoeidae A. Agassiz, 1865							
Lafoeidae not-identified	Sponge	31°S to 32°S	SA	170	Dredge	MCN-FZB, MZUSP	
Abietinella operculata (Jäderholm, 1903)	Sponge	52°S to 74°S	SA, S	0–1674	Trawl	USNM, UV	

?Abietinella operculata (Jäderholm, 1903)	Not-recorded	53°S to 54°S	SA	119–124	Not-recorded	UV
Acryptolaria conferta (Allman, 1877)	Sponge	22°S to 57°S	SA	124–586	Dredge	MCN-FZB, MNRJ, MZUSP, UNMdP, USNM, UV
Acryptolaria crassicaulis (Allman, 1888)	Not-recorded	Not-recorded	S	Not- recorded	Not-recorded	USNM
Acryptolaria ?encarnae Peña Cantero & Vervoort, 2010	Hydroid	53°S to 54°S	SA	567–578	Not-recorded	UV
Acryptolaria ?flabellum (Allman, 1888)	Not-recorded	54°S to 55°S	SA	1244– 1771	Not-recorded	UV
Acryptolaria longitheca (Allman, 1877)	Not-recorded	48°S to 49°S	SP	821	Not-recorded	USNM
Acryptolaria minuta Watson, 2003	Sponge	57°S to 58°S	SA	2727– 2754	Dredge	USNM
Acryptolaria operculata Stepanjants, 1979	Not-recorded	53°S to 57°S	SA	124–2044	Not-recorded	UV
Acryptolaria sp.	Sponge	54°S to 65°S	SA, S	0–300	Not-recorded	MNRJ, MZUSP, USNM, UV
Cryptolarella abyssicola (Allman, 1888)	Sponge	Not-recorded	SA	Not- recorded	Not-recorded	MNRJ, MZUSP
?Filellum annulatum (Watson, 1973)	Sponge	72°S to 73°S	S	348–352	Trawl	USNM
Filellum antarcticum (Hartlaub, 1904)	Not-recorded	52°S to 53°S	SA	119–329	Not-recorded	UV
Filellum contortum (Nutting, 1905)	Algae	Not-recorded	SA	Not- recorded	Not-recorded	UNMdP
Filellum sp.	Algae, bryozoan, hydroid, polychaete tube, sponge	22°S to 78°S	SA, SP, S	0–2044	Dredge, manual, net, SCUBA, snorkeling, trawl	DZOO-UFPR, MCN- FZB, MNRJ, MZUSP, UNMdP, USNM, UV
Grammaria abietina (M. Sars, 1851)	Not-recorded	36°S to 55°S	SA	124–128	Not-recorded	UNMdP, UV
Grammaria sp.	Hydroid	38°S to 56°S	SA	0–641	Dredge, manual	MCN-FZB, MZUSP, UV
Lafoea coalescens Allman, 1877	Sponge	22°S to 23°S	SA	103–250	Dredge	MNRJ, MZUSP
<i>Lafoea dumosa</i> (Fleming, 1820)	Polychaete tube, sponge	31°S to 73°S	SA, SP, S	0–641	Dredge, net, SCUBA, trawl	MCN-FZB, MNRJ, MZUSP, UNMdP, USNM, UV
Lafoea gaussica Vanhöffen, 1910	Not-recorded	77°S to 78°S	S	411	Not-recorded	USNM
Lafoea sp.	Hydroid, sponge	22°S to 63°S	SA, S	25–641	Dredge, net	MCN-FZB, MNRJ, MZUSP, USNM, UV

Zygophylax infundibulum Millard, 1958	Sponge	Not-recorded	SA	Not- recorded	Not-recorded	MNRJ, MZUSP
Zygophylax sibogae Billard, 1918	Sponge	22°S to 23°S	SA	Not- recorded	Not-recorded	MZUSP
Zygophylax sp.	Sponge	Not-recorded	SA	Not- recorded	Not-recorded	MNRJ, MZUSP
	Family Lovenellidae	Russell, 1953				
Lovenellidae not-identified	Sponge	22°S to 23°S	SA	60	Dredge	MNRJ, MZUSP
Lovenella gracilis Clarke, 1882	Algae, rock	27°S to 28°S	SA	0–2	Manual	MZUSP
	Family Phialellidae	Russell, 1953				
Phialella belgicae (Hartlaub, 1904)	Algae, hydroid, polychaete tube, sponge	38°S to 78°S	SA, SP, S	0–48	Manual, SCUBA	MNRJ, MZUSP, UNMdP, UV
Phialella chilensis (Hartlaub, 1905)	Algae, hydroid	35°S to 54°S	SA	38–99		MZUSP, UNMdP, UV
?Phialella chilensis (Hartlaub, 1905)	Not-recorded	52°S to 55°S	SA	0–90	Not-recorded	UV
	Family Plumulariidae	McCrady, 1859				
Plumulariidae not-identified	Algae	27°S to 54°S	SA	0–586	Manual	MZUSP, UV
Dentitheca bidentata (Jäderholm, 1920)	Algae	25°S to 27°S	SA	0–2	Manual, snorkeling	DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP
Monotheca margaretta Nutting, 1900	Algae, hydroid, shell, sponge	23°S to 28°S	SA	0–15	Manual, SCUBA, snorkeling, trawl	DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP
Monotheca pulchella (Bale, 1882)	Algae, shell, sponge	38°S to 43°S	SA	Not- recorded	SCUBA	UNMdP
Nemertesia antennina (Linnaeus, 1758)	Mussel, polychaete tube	33°S to 35°S	SA	9–15	Not-recorded	MNHNU, MZUSP
?Nemertesia ciliata Bale, 1914	Not-recorded	23°S to 24°S	SA	Not- recorded	Trawl	DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP
Nemertesia cymodocea (Busk, 1851)	Not-recorded	52°S to 54°S	SA	Not- recorded	Not-recorded	UV
Nemertesia ramosa (Lamarck, 1816)	Submarine floating	26°S to 43°S	SA	800	Not-recorded	DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP, UNMdP
<i>Nemertesia</i> sp.	Sponge	43°S to 54°S	SA	0–578	Not-recorded	MNRJ, MZUSP, UV
Nemertesia vervoorti El Beshbeeshy, 2011	Not-recorded	53°S to 55°S	SA	0–578	Not-recorded	UV
Plumularia floridana Nutting, 1900	Sponge	23°S to 26°S	SA	0–6	SCUBA	MNRJ, MZUSP
Plumularia insignis Allman, 1883	Soft-bottom	35°S to 44°S	SA	360	Not-recorded	UNMdP
<i>Plumularia setacea</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	Algae, polychaete tube, rock, shell, sponge	23°S to 55°S	SA, SP	0–511	Dredge, SCUBA, snorkeling	MCN-FZB, MNRJ, MZUSP, UNMdP, USNM, UV

Plumularia strictocarpa Pictet, 1893	Algae, rope, sponge	23°S to 47°S	SA	0–57	Dredge, manual, SCUBA	DZOO-UFPR, MCN- FZB, MNRJ, MZUSP			
Family Schizotrichidae Peña Cantero, Sentandreu & Latorre, 2010									
Schizotricha anderssoni Jäderholm, 1904	Not-recorded	53°S to 73°S	SA, S	68–346	Trawl	USNM			
Schizotricha crassa Peña Cantero & Vervoort, 2004	Not-recorded	56°S to 63°S	SA, S	93–485	Dredge, trawl	USNM			
Schizotricha ?crassa Peña Cantero & Vervoort, 2004	Not-recorded	Not-recorded	S	Not- recorded	Not-recorded	MZUSP			
Schizotricha falcata Peña Cantero, 1998	Not-recorded	63°S to 65°S	S	73–150	Trawl	USNM			
Schizotricha jaederholmi Peña Cantero & Vervoort, 1996	Not-recorded	54°S to 55°S	SA	261–267	Trawl	USNM			
Schizotricha multifurcata Allman, 1883	Not-recorded	57°S to 60°S	SA	97–121	Dredge, trawl	USNM			
Schizotricha nana Peña Cantero, Svoboda & Vervoort, 1996	Sponge	56°S to 78°S	SA, S	91–1890	Grab, dredge, trawl	MCN-FZB, MZUSP, USNM			
Schizotricha ?nana Peña Cantero, Svoboda & Vervoort, 1996	Sponge	71°S to 72°S	S	1565– 1674	Trawl	USNM			
Schizotricha southgeorgiae Peña Cantero & Vervoort, 2004	Not-recorded	66°S to 67°S	S	101	Trawl	USNM			
Schizotricha sp.	Sponge	61°S to 64°S	S	108–135	Net, trawl	MCN-FZB, MZUSP			
Schizotricha trinematotheca Peña Cantero & Vervoort, 2005	Not-recorded	66°S to 67°S	S	150–157	Trawl	USNM			
Schizotricha turqueti Billard, 1906	Not-recorded	57°S to 78°S	SA, S	40–1890	Grab, dredge, trawl	USNM			
Schizotricha unifurcata Allman, 1883	Not-recorded	53°S to 63°S	SA, S	142–417	Trawl	USNM			
Schizotricha vervoorti Peña Cantero, 1998	Not-recorded	54°S to 69*S	SA, S	55–1153	Net, Trawl	USNM			
Schizotricha ?vervoorti Peña Cantero, 1998	Sponge	62°S to 63°S	S	95	Dredge	MCN-FZB, MZUSP			
	Family Sertulariidae L	amouroux, 1812	2						
Sertulariidae not-identified	Sponge	22°S to 63°S	SA, S	103–412	Dredge	MCN-FZB, MNRJ, MZUSP			
Amphisbetia operculata (Linnaeus, 1758)	Algae, rock, shell, sponge	27°S to 58°S	SA, SP	0–472	SCUBA, trawl	MNHNU, MNRJ, MZUSP, UNMdP, USNM, UV			
<i>Amphisbetia</i> sp.	Not-recorded	Not-recorded	S	Not- recorded	Not-recorded	USNM			
Antarctoscyphus admirabilis Peña Cantero, Svoboda & Vervoort, 1999	Not-recorded	70°S to 71°S	S	80	Not-recorded	UV			
Antarctoscyphus asymmetricus Peña Cantero, García Carrascosa & Vervoort, 1997	Sponge	53°S to 73°S	SA, S	18–429	Dredge, net	MCN-FZB, MZUSP, USNM, UV			
Antarctoscyphus ?asymmetricus Peña Cantero, García Carrascosa & Vervoort, 1997	Sponge	56°S to 63°S	S	194–759	Dredge	MCN-FZB, MZUSP, UV			
Antarctoscyphus elongatus (Jäderholm, 1904)	Sponge	49°S to 79°S	SA, S	18–710	Dredge, trawl	MCN-FZB, MZUSP, USNM, UV			

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?Antarctoscyphus elongatus (Jäderholm, 1904) Antarctoscyphus ?elongatus (Jäderholm, 1904)	Sponge Not-recorded	62°S to 63°S 56°S to 63°S	S SA, S	210–220 55–759	Trawl Not-recorded	USNM UV
<i>Antarctoscyphus encarnae</i> Peña Cantero, García Carrascosa & Vervoort, 1997	Not-recorded	61°S to 63°S	S	100–220	Not-recorded	UV
Antarctoscyphus fragilis Peña Cantero, Svoboda & Vervoort, 1999	Not-recorded	74°S to 75°S	S	460–470	Not-recorded	UV
Antarctoscyphus grandis (Blanco, 1977)	Not-recorded	54°S to 78°S	SA, S	15–600	Trawl	FCNyM-UNLP, USNM, UV
Antarctoscyphus ?grandis (Blanco, 1977)	Not-recorded	56°S to 74°S	SA, S	93–343	Not-recorded	UV
Antarctoscyphus gruzovi (Stepanjants, 1979)	Not-recorded	60°S to 62°S	S	350–414	Not-recorded	UV
Antarctoscyphus ?gruzovi (Stepanjants, 1979)	Sponge	62°S to 63°S	S	311–426	Trawl	USNM
Antarctoscyphus mawsoni (Briggs, 1938)	Not-recorded	56°S to 74°S	SA, S	70–759	Not-recorded	UV
Antarctoscyphus sp.	Sponge	62°S to 63°S	S	265–280	Dredge	MCN-FZB, MZUSP, UV
Antarctoscyphus spiralis (Hickson & Gravely, 1907)	Sponge	54°S to 78°S	SA, S	0–1890	Dredge, net, trawl	FCNyM-UNLP, MCN- FZB, MZUSP, USNM, UV
?Antarctoscyphus spiralis (Hickson & Gravely, 1907)	Algae, sponge	39°S to 40°S	SP	Not- recorded	Not-recorded	MNRJ, MZUSP
?Diphasia crassa Fraser, 1940	Not-recorded	51°S to 52°S	SP	472	Not-recorded	USNM
Diphasia digitalis (Busk, 1852)	Rock	23°S to 24°S	SA	Not- recorded	SCUBA	MZUSP
Diphasia tropica Nutting, 1904	Algae, hydroid, sponge	23°S to 28°S	SA	13	SCUBA	MZUSP
Dynamena crisioides Lamouroux, 1824	Algae, rock	23°S to 28°S	SA	0–2	Manual	DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP
?Dynamena crisioides Lamouroux, 1824	Algae	27°S to 28°S	SA	0–2	Manual	MZUSP
<i>Dynamena dalmasi</i> (Versluys, 1899)	polychaete tube, rock, shell, sponge	22°S to 28°S	SA	8–103	SCUBA	dzoo-ufpr, MNRJ, Mzusp
Dynamena disticha (Bosc, 1802)	Algae, bryozoan, hydroid, net, rock, shell, sponge	22°S to 39°S	SA	0–250	Dredge, manual, SCUBA, snorkeling	DZOO-UFPR, MNRJ, MZUSP, UNMdP
Dynamena ?disticha (Bosc, 1802)	Algae	27°S to 28°S	SA	1–3	Snorkeling	DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP
Dynamena quadridentata (Ellis & Solander, 1786)	Algae	23°S to 28°S	SA	0–7	Manual, SCUBA, snorkeling	DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP

Idiellana pristis (Lamouroux, 1816)	Not-recorded	23°S to 26°S	SA	0–4	Manual, snorkeling	DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP
Mixoscyphus antarcticus Peña Cantero & Vervoort, 2005	Not-recorded	62°S to 64°S	S	154–429	Not-recorded	USNM, UV
Salacia desmoides (Thorrey, 1902)	Algae, rock, sponge	27°S to 28°S	SA	9–15	SCUBA	MZUSP
Sertularella antarctica Hartlaub, 1900	Algae, sponge	43°S to 64°S	SA, SP, S	0–135	Net, trawl	FCNyM-UNLP, MCN- FZB, MHNG, MNRJ, MZUSP, USNM, UV, ZMH
Sertularella areyi Nutting, 1904	Algae, gravel, hydroid, shell, sponge	23°S to 28°S	SA	9–15	SCUBA	MZUSP
Sertularella argentinica El Beshbeeshy, 2011	Not-recorded	43°S to 55°S	SA	380–680	Not-recorded	FCNyM-UNLP, ZMH
Sertularella conica Allman, 1877	Algae, hydroid, rock, sponge	22°S to 57°S	SA, SP	3–511	SCUBA, snorkeling	DZOO-UFPR, MNRJ, MZUSP, UNMdP, USNM, UV
Sertularella cruzensis El Beshbeeshy, 2011	Not-recorded	39°S to 54°S	SA, SP	40–95	Not-recorded	MHNG, ZMH
Sertularella fuegonensis El Beshbeeshy, 2011	Sponge	29°S to 55°S	SA, SP	15–586	Not-recorded	MHNG, MNRJ, MZUSP, USNM, UV, ZMH
Sertularella gaudichaudi (Lamouroux, 1824)	Algae, rock, sponge	29°S to 63°S	SA, SP, S	0–544	Manual, net, trawl	FCNyM-UNLP, MCN-FZB, MZUSP, UNMdP, USNM, UV, ZMH
<i>Sertularella gayi</i> (Lamouroux, 1821)	Sponge	41°S to 64°S	SA, SP, S	0–1200	Trawl	FCNyM-UNLP, MHNG, MNRJ, MZUSP, USNM, UV, ZMH
Sertularella ?implexa (Allman, 1888)	Not-recorded	53°S to 54°S	SP	40	Not-recorded	MHNG
Sertularella jorgensis El Beshbeeshy, 2011	Not-recorded	48°S to 57°S	SA, SP	32–990	Not-recorded	FCNyM-UNLP, MHNG, UV
Sertularella leiocarpa (Allman, 1888)	Sponge	29°S to 30°S	SA	388	Dredge	MCN-FZB, MZUSP
Sertularella mixta Galea & Schories, 2012	Not-recorded	29°S to 30°S	SP	15–17	Not-recorded	MHNG
Sertularella polyzonias (Linnaeus, 1758)	Sponge	29°S to 65°S	SA, SP, S	0–511	Dredge, trawl	FCNyM-UNLP, MCN- FZB, MNRJ, MZUSP, USNM, UV
Sertularella ?polyzonias (Linnaeus, 1758)	Sponge	22°S to 23°S	SA	60	Dredge	MNRJ, MZUSP

Sertularella robusta Coughtrey, 1876	Hydroid, sponge	29°S to 56°S	SA, SP	0–307	Not-recorded	FCNyM-UNLP, MHNG, MNRJ, MZUSP, UV
Sertularella sanmatiasensis El Beshbeeshy, 2011	Sponge	42°S to 64°S	SA, S	82–500	Dredge, net	MCN-FZB, MZUSP, ZMH
Sertularella ?sanmatiasensis El Beshbeeshy, 2011	Sponge	61°S to 62°S	S	362	Net	MCN-FZB, MZUSP
Sertularella sp.	Sponge	29°S to 64°S	SP, S	15–264	Dredge, net	MCN-FZB, MHNG, MZUSP, UV
Sertularella sp. 9	Sponge	29°S to 55°S	SA, SP	10–261	Not-recorded	MNRJ, MZUSP, UV
Sertularella sp. 12	Not-recorded	51°S to 53°S	SA	46–329	Not-recorded	UV
Sertularella sp. 13	Sponge	29°S to 55°S	SA, SP	0–17	Not-recorded	MNRJ, MZUSP, UV
Sertularella striata Stechow, 1923	Algae, hydroid, shell, sponge	34°S to 43°S	SA, SP	8–45	SCUBA, trawl	MZUSP, UNMdP
Sertularella tenella (Alder, 1856)	Algae, bryozoan, hydroid, rock, sponge	22°S to 54°S	SA, SP	0–360	Dredge, manual, SCUBA, trawl	FCNyM-UNLP, MCN- FZB, MNRJ, MZUSP, USNM
Sertularella uruguayensis Mañé-Garzón & Milstein, 1973	Not-recorded	Not-recorded	SA	Not- recorded	Not-recorded	MNHNU
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Sertularella vervoorti Migotto & Calder, 1998	Not-recorded	41°S to 42°S	SA	550	Not-recorded	ZMH
Sertularella vervoorti Migotto & Calder, 1998 Sertularia distans (Lamouroux, 1816)	Not-recorded Algae, bryozoan, hydroid, rock, sponge	41°S to 42°S 22°S to 28°S	SA SA	550 0–103	Dredge, manual, SCUBA, snorkeling	ZMH DZOO-UFPR, MNRJ, MZUSP
Sertularella vervoorti Migotto & Calder, 1998 Sertularia distans (Lamouroux, 1816) Sertularia loculosa Busk, 1852	Not-recorded Algae, bryozoan, hydroid, rock, sponge Algae, rock, sponge	41°S to 42°S 22°S to 28°S 23°S to 28°S	SA SA SA	0–103 0–15	Not-recorded Dredge, manual, SCUBA, snorkeling Manual, SCUBA	ZMH DZOO-UFPR, MNRJ, MZUSP DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP
Sertularia distans (Lamouroux, 1816) Sertularia loculosa Busk, 1852 Sertularia marginata (Kirchenpauer, 1864)	Not-recorded Algae, bryozoan, hydroid, rock, sponge Algae, rock, sponge Algae, ascidian, buoy, hydroid, rock, sponge	41°S to 42°S 22°S to 28°S 23°S to 28°S 23°S to 28°S	SA SA SA SA	0–103 0–15 0–12	Not-recorded Dredge, manual, SCUBA, snorkeling Manual, SCUBA Manual, SCUBA, snorkeling, trawl	ZMH DZOO-UFPR, MNRJ, MZUSP DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP DZOO-UFPR, MNRJ, MZUSP
Sertularia distans (Lamouroux, 1816) Sertularia loculosa Busk, 1852 Sertularia marginata (Kirchenpauer, 1864) ?Sertularia marginata (Kirchenpauer, 1864)	Not-recorded Algae, bryozoan, hydroid, rock, sponge Algae, rock, sponge Algae, ascidian, buoy, hydroid, rock, sponge Algae	41°S to 42°S 22°S to 28°S 23°S to 28°S 23°S to 28°S 23°S to 28°S	SA SA SA SA SA	0–103 0–15 0–12 0–2	Not-recorded Dredge, manual, SCUBA, snorkeling Manual, SCUBA Manual, SCUBA, snorkeling, trawl Manual	ZMH DZOO-UFPR, MNRJ, MZUSP DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP DZOO-UFPR, MNRJ, MZUSP MZUSP
Sertularia distans (Lamouroux, 1816) Sertularia loculosa Busk, 1852 Sertularia marginata (Kirchenpauer, 1864) ?Sertularia marginata (Kirchenpauer, 1864) Sertularia rugosissima Thornely, 1904	Not-recorded Algae, bryozoan, hydroid, rock, sponge Algae, rock, sponge Algae, ascidian, buoy, hydroid, rock, sponge Algae Algae	41°S to 42°S 22°S to 28°S 23°S to 28°S 23°S to 28°S 27°S to 28°S 23°S to 28°S 23°S to 27°S	SA SA SA SA SA SA	0–103 0–15 0–12 0–2 0–5	Not-recorded Dredge, manual, SCUBA, snorkeling Manual, SCUBA Manual, SCUBA, snorkeling, trawl Manual Manual	ZMH DZOO-UFPR, MNRJ, MZUSP DZOO-UFPR, MNRJ, MZUSP MZUSP DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP
Sertularia vervoorti Migotto & Calder, 1998 Sertularia distans (Lamouroux, 1816) Sertularia loculosa Busk, 1852 Sertularia marginata (Kirchenpauer, 1864) ?Sertularia marginata (Kirchenpauer, 1864) Sertularia rugosissima Thornely, 1904 Sertularia sp.	Not-recorded Algae, bryozoan, hydroid, rock, sponge Algae, rock, sponge Algae, ascidian, buoy, hydroid, rock, sponge Algae Algae Algae	41°S to 42°S 22°S to 28°S 23°S to 28°S 23°S to 28°S 27°S to 28°S 23°S to 27°S 23°S to 27°S	SA SA SA SA SA SA SA	0-103 0-15 0-12 0-2 0-5 0-7	Not-recorded Dredge, manual, SCUBA, snorkeling Manual, SCUBA Manual, SCUBA, snorkeling, trawl Manual Manual Manual, SCUBA	ZMH DZOO-UFPR, MNRJ, MZUSP DZOO-UFPR, MNRJ, MZUSP MZUSP DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP MZUSP MZUSP
Sertularia vervoorti Migotto & Calder, 1998 Sertularia distans (Lamouroux, 1816) Sertularia loculosa Busk, 1852 Sertularia marginata (Kirchenpauer, 1864) ?Sertularia marginata (Kirchenpauer, 1864) Sertularia rugosissima Thornely, 1904 Sertularia sp. Sertularia tumida Allman, 1877	Not-recorded Algae, bryozoan, hydroid, rock, sponge Algae, rock, sponge Algae, ascidian, buoy, hydroid, rock, sponge Algae Algae Algae Algae, rock Algae, rock	41°S to 42°S 22°S to 28°S 23°S to 28°S 23°S to 28°S 27°S to 28°S 23°S to 27°S 23°S to 27°S 27°S to 28°S 25°S to 28°S	SA SA SA SA SA SA SA SA	0-103 0-15 0-12 0-2 0-5 0-7 5-7	Not-recorded Dredge, manual, SCUBA, snorkeling Manual, SCUBA Manual, SCUBA, snorkeling, trawl Manual Manual Manual, SCUBA Manual, SCUBA	ZMH DZOO-UFPR, MNRJ, MZUSP DZOO-UFPR, MNRJ, MZUSP MZUSP DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP MZUSP MZUSP DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP
Sertularella vervoorti Migotto & Calder, 1998 Sertularia distans (Lamouroux, 1816) Sertularia loculosa Busk, 1852 Sertularia marginata (Kirchenpauer, 1864) ?Sertularia marginata (Kirchenpauer, 1864) Sertularia rugosissima Thornely, 1904 Sertularia sp. Sertularia tumida Allman, 1877 Sertularia turbinata (Lamouroux, 1816)	Not-recorded Algae, bryozoan, hydroid, rock, sponge Algae, rock, sponge Algae, ascidian, buoy, hydroid, rock, sponge Algae Algae Algae Algae, rock Algae, rock Algae, hydroid, rock, sponge	41°S to 42°S 22°S to 28°S 23°S to 28°S 23°S to 28°S 27°S to 28°S 23°S to 27°S 27°S to 28°S 25°S to 28°S 25°S to 28°S 23°S to 28°S	SA SA SA SA SA SA SA SA	0-103 0-15 0-12 0-2 0-5 0-7 5-7 0-3	Not-recorded Dredge, manual, SCUBA, snorkeling Manual, SCUBA Manual, SCUBA, snorkeling, trawl Manual Manual Manual, SCUBA Manual, SCUBA, snorkeling	ZMH DZOO-UFPR, MNRJ, MZUSP DZOO-UFPR, MNRJ, MZUSP DZOO-UFPR, MNRJ, MZUSP DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP DZOO-UFPR, MNRJ, MZUSP

Staurotheca affinis (Jäderholm, 1904)	Not-recorded	54°S to 55°S	SA	198–202	Not-recorded	UV
Staurotheca amphorophora Naumov & Stepanjants, 1962	Not-recorded	53°S to 55°S	SA	111–686	Trawl	USNM
Staurotheca antarctica Hartlaub, 1904	Sponge	52°S to 78°S	SA, SP, S	55–661	Dredge, grab, net, trawl	USNM
Staurotheca australis Peña Cantero, Svoboda & Vervoort, 1997	Not-recorded	69°S to 70°S	S	432–813	Not-recorded	UV
Staurotheca compressa Briggs, 1938	Sponge	56°S to 75°S	SA, S	49–1042	Dredge, grab, net, trawl	FCNyM-UNLP, MCN- FZB, MZUSP, USNM
Staurotheca cornuta Peña Cantero, García Carrascosa & Vervoort, 1999	Not-recorded	60°S to 62°S	S	111–407	Trawl	USNM
Staurotheca densa Peña Cantero & Vervoort, 2003	Not-recorded	61°S to 74°S	S	73–570	Grab, net, trawl	USNM
Staurotheca dichotoma Allman, 1888	Sponge	53°S to 77°S	SA, S	63-799	Irawi	USNM
Staurotheca echinocarpa (Aliman, 1888)	Not-recorded	49°S to 50°S	SI	53-113	Not-recorded	UV
Staurotheca frigida Pena Cantero, Svoboda & Vervoort, 1997	Not-recorded	53°S to 77°S	SA, S	57-550	Dredge, trawl	USNM
Staurotheca giomulosa Pena Cantero, Svoboda & Vervoort, 1997	Not-recorded	54°S to 78°S	SA, S	55–870	Dredge, net, trawl	USNM
Staurotheca jaederholmi Stechow, 1920	Not-recorded	50°S to 62°S	SA, SP, S	50–62	Trawl	USNM
<i>Staurotheca multifurcata</i> Peña Cantero, García Carrascosa & Vervoort, 1999	Not-recorded	53°S to 59°S	SA	57–338	Dredge, trawl	MZUSP, USNM
<i>Staurotheca nonscripta</i> Peña Cantero, Svoboda & Vervoort, 1997	Not-recorded	53°S to 79°S	SA, S	15–640	Trawl	USNM
Staurotheca pachyclada (Jäderholm, 1904)	Not-recorded	56°S to 77°S	SA, S	56–3660	Grab, trawl	USNM
Staurotheca plana Peña Cantero, Svoboda & Vervoort, 1997	Not-recorded	70°S to 72°S	S	672–830	Not-recorded	UV
Staurotheca polarsterni Peña Cantero, Svoboda & Vervoort, 1997	Not-recorded	63°S to 77°S	S	181–1030	Not-recorded	UV
Staurotheca profunda Peña Cantero & Vervoort, 2003	Not-recorded	54°S to 55°S	SA	1647– 2044	Not-recorded	UV
Staurotheca sp.	Sponge	62°S to 70°S	S	80–432	Trawl	USNM
Staurotheca stolonifera (Hartlaub, 1904)	Not-recorded	70°S to 71°S	S	262	Not-recorded	UV
Staurotheca tubifera Blanco, 1971	Sponge	63°S to 64°S	S	135–240	Dredge	MCN-FZB, MZUSP
Staurotheca undosiparietina (Stepanjants, 1979)	Not-recorded	53°S to 63°S	SA, S	74–922	Trawl	USNM
<i>Staurotheca vanhoeffeni</i> (Peña Cantero & García Carrascosa, 1994)	Not-recorded	53°S to 73°S	SI, S	92–426	Dredge, trawl	USNM
Staurotheca vervoorti (El Beshbeeshy, 2011)	Not-recorded	53°S to 55°S	SA	1647– 2727	Dredge, trawl	USNM

<i>Symplectoscyphus anae</i> Peña Cantero, Svoboda & Vervoort, 2002	Sponge	62°S to 77°S	S	108–448	Trawl	MCN-FZB, MZUSP, USNM
Symplectoscyphus bathyalis Vervoort, 1972	Not-recorded	54°S to 55°S	SA	419–641	Not-recorded	UV
Symplectoscyphus curvatus (Jäderholm, 1917)	Sponge	61°S to 64°S	S	135–293	Net, trawl	MCN-FZB, MZUSP, USNM
Symplectoscyphus exochus Blanco, 1982	Sponge	52°S to 64°S	SA, S	82–165	Dredge	MCN-FZB, MZUSP, USNM, UV
Symplectoscyphus flexilis (Hartlaub, 1901)	Not-recorded	45°S to 46°S	SA	70	Not-recorded	UNMdP
<i>Symplectoscyphus frigidus</i> Peña Cantero, Svoboda & Vervoort, 2002	Not-recorded	52°S to 55°S	SA	99–119	Not-recorded	UV
Symplectoscyphus glacialis (Jäderholm, 1904)	Sponge	42°S to 78°S	SA, SP, S	0–2350	Dredge, grab, long line, net, trawl	MCN-FZB, MNRJ, MZUSP, USNM, UV
Symplectoscyphus ?hero Blanco, 1977	Not-recorded	60°S to 61°S	S	146–165	Not-recorded	USNM
Symplectoscyphus interruptus (Pfeffer, 1889)	Not-recorded	53°S to 54°S	SP	20	Not-recorded	MHNG
Symplectoscyphus leloupi El Beshbeeshy, 2011	Not-recorded	43°S to 55°S	SA, SP	20-128	Not-recorded	MHNG, UV
Symplectoscyphus llouvillei (Billard, 1914)	Sponge	72°S to 73°S	8	548-565	Irawi	
Symplectoscyphus ?liouvillei (Billard, 1914)	Sponge	63°S to 65°S	S	32–264	Dredge, net	USNM
?Symplectoscyphus liouvillei (Billard, 1914)	Not-recorded	66°S to 69°S	S	27–274	Not-recorded	USNM
Symplectoscyphus magellanicus (Marktanner-Turneretscher, 1890)	Sponge	36°S to 55°S	SA, SP	0–329	Dredge	MCN-FZB, MNRJ, MZUSP, UV
<i>Symplectoscyphus ?magellanicus</i> (Marktanner-Turneretscher, 1890)	Not-recorded	53°S to 54°S	SP	40	Not-recorded	MHNG
Symplectoscyphus milneanus (d'Orbigny, 1842)	Not-recorded	41°S to 55°S	SA, SP	0–641	Manual, SCUBA, trawl	MZUSP, UNMdP, USNM, UV
Symplectoscyphus naumovi Blanco, 1969	Not-recorded	62°S to 78°S	S	46–411	Dredge, trawl	MZUSP, USNM
Symplectoscyphus nesioticus Blanco, 1987	Sponge	62°S to 73°S	S	73–565	Net, trawl	MCN-FZB, MZUSP, USNM
Symplectoscyphus paraglacialis El Beshbeeshy, 2011	Not-recorded	53°S to 55°S	SA	35–261	Not-recorded	UV
Symplectoscyphus ?paraglacialis El Beshbeeshy, 2011	Not-recorded	53°S to 54°S	SP	40	Not-recorded	MHNG
Symplectoscyphus paulensis Stechow, 1923	Not-recorded	77°S to 78°S	S	384	Not-recorded	USNM
Symplectoscyphus plectilis (Hickson & Gravely, 1907)	Hydroid, sponge	62°S to 78°S	S	11–2306	Dredge, net, trawl	MCN-FZB, MZUSP, USNM
Symplectoscyphus sofiae Peña Cantero, Svoboda & Vervoort, 2002	Not-recorded	61°S to 78°S	S	64–549	Trawl	USNM
Symplectoscyphus sp.	Algae, hydroid, sponge	49°S to 72°S	SA, SP, S	22–1674	Dredge, net, SCUBA, trawl	MCN-FZB, MNRJ, MZUSP, USNM, UV

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Symplectoscyphus subdichotomus (Kirchenpauer, 1884)	Algae, gravel, sponge	29°S to 73°S	SA, SP, S	0–675	Dredge, manual, SCUBA	MCN-FZB, MZUSP, UNMdP, USNM, UV						
Symplectoscyphus vanhoeffeni (Totton, 1930)	Not-recorded	62°S to 67°S	S	80–183	Trawl	USNM						
Symplectoscyphus vervoorti El Beshbeeshy, 2011	Not-recorded	53°S to 54°S	SA	512–586	Not-recorded	UV						
Thuiaria polycarpa Kirchenpauer, 1884	Sponge	29°S to 34°S	SP	12–30	Not-recorded	MNRJ, MZUSP						
Family Syntheciidae Marktanner-Turneretscher, 1890												
Syntheciidae not-identified	Sponge	22°S to 23°S	SA	103	Dredge	MNRJ, MZUSP						
Hincksella cylindrica (Bale, 1888)	Hydroid, sponge	22°S to 28°S	SA	13–250	Dredge, SCUBA, snorkeling	MNRJ, MZUSP						
Synthecium protectum Jäderholm, 1903	Not-recorded	35°S to 55°S	SA, SP	38–675	Not-recorded	UNMdP, USNM, UV						
Synthecium sp.	Sponge	22°S to 55°S	SA	84–103	Not-recorded	MNRJ, MZUSP, UV						
Synthecium tubithecum (Allman, 1877)	Sponge	22°S to 23°S	SA	103–240	Dredge	MNRJ, MZUSP						
	Family Thyroscyphida	e Stechow, 1920)									
Thyroscyphidae not-identified	Sponge	23°S to 54°S	SA	1–124	Not-recorded	MNRJ, MZUSP, UV						
Parascyphus repens (Jäderholm, 1904)	Not-recorded	42°S to 55°S	SA	0–119	Manual	MZUSP, UNMdP, UV						
Thyroscyphus marginatus (Allman, 1877)	Rock, shell	23°S to 24°S	SA	0–15	SCUBA	MZUSP						
Thyroscyphus ramosus Allman, 1877	Rock	23°S to 24°S	SA	0–5	Manual	MZUSP						
Thyroscyphus sp.	Sponge	35°S to 36°S	SA	94	Dredge	MCN-FZB, MZUSP						
	Family Tiarannidae	Russell, 1940										
Stegolaria irregularis Totton, 1930	Sponge	29°S to 74°S	SA, SP, S	10–864	SCUBA, trawl	MNRJ, MZUSP, UNMdP, USNM						
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	Family Campanulariida	ae Johnston, 183	6									
Campanualriidae not-identified	Algae, hydroid, polychaete tube, sponge	22°S to 64°S	SA, SP, S	1–240	Dredge, SCUBA	MCN-FZB, MNRJ, MZUSP						
Billardia subrufa (Jäderholm, 1904)	Sponge	62°S to 78°S	S	55–640	Dredge, trawl	MCN-FZB, MZUSP, USNM, UV						
Billardia sp.	Sponge	61°S to 65°S	S	110–280	Dredge	MCN-FZB, MZUSP						
Campanularia agas Cornelius, 1982	Algae, coral	37°S to 55°S	SA	0–106	SCUBA	UNMdP, UV						
Campanularia hincksii Alder, 1856	Algae	27°S to 39°S	SA	15	SCUBA	MZUSP, UNMdP						
Campanularia ?hincksii Alder, 1856	Sponge	71°S to 72°S	S	1565– 1674	Trawl	USNM						

Campanularia hincksoni Totton, 1930	Not-recorded	66°S to 67°S	S	80	Trawl	USNM
Campanularia sp.	Algae, hydroid, sponge	22°S to 78°S	SA, SP, S	0–675	Manual, trawl	MNRJ, MZUSP, UNMdP, USNM, UV
Campanularia subantarctica Millard, 1971	Alga, hydroid	41°S to 55°S	SA	0–307	Manual, SCUBA, trawl	MZUSP, UNMdP, UV
Campanularia ?subantarctica Millard, 1971	Not-recorded	51°S to 52°S	SA	0–5	Manual	UV
Campanularia tincta Hincks, 1861	Not-recorded	52°S to 53°S	SA	38	Not-recorded	USNM
<i>Clytia gracilis</i> (M. Sars, 1851)	Algae, barnacle, bryozoan, egg mass, hydroid, mussel, polychaete tube, rubber band, rock, rope, shell, sponge, wood	22°S to 55°S	SA, SP	0–136	Dredge, manual, SCUBA, snorkeling, trawl	DZOO-UFPR, MNRJ, MZUSP, UNMdP, USNM
<i>Clytia ?gracilis</i> (M. Sars, 1851) <i>Clytia hemisphaerica</i> (Linnaeus, 1767)	Hydroid, sponge Sponge	23°S to 43°S 53°S to 54°S	SA, SP SP	4 80–84	Snorkeling Trawl	MNRJ, MZUSP USNM
Clytia hummelincki (Leloup, 1935)	Algae	23°S to 26°S	SA	1–2	Trawl	DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP
<i>Clytia linearis</i> (Thornely, 1900)	Algae, hydroid, metallic structure, mussel, rope, shell	23°S to 35°S	SA	0–53	Manual, SCUBA, snorkeling	dzoo-ufpr, Mnhnu, mzusp
Clytia noliformis (McCrady, 1859)	Algae	23°S to 28°S	SA	0–5	Manual, SCUBA	DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP
Clytia ?reloncavia Galea & Schories, 2012	Sponge	42°S to 43°S	SP	8–10	Not-recorded	MNRJ, MZUSP
<i>Clytia</i> sp.	Algae, hydroid, rock, shell, sponge	23°S to 64°S	SA, SP, S	0–280	Dredge, manual, net, SCUBA	MCN-FZB, MNRJ, MZUSP, USNM, UV
<i>Gonothyraea loveni</i> (Allman, 1859)	Recruitment plate	38°S to 39°S	SA	Not- recorded	Not-recorded	UNMdP
<i>Hartlaubella gelatinosa</i> (Pallas, 1766)	Not-recorded	39°S to 52°S	SA	0–70	Not-recorded	MZUSP, UNMdP
Obelia bidentata Clark, 1875	Algae, hydroid, metallic structure, sponge	22°S to 61°S	SA, S	0–165	Manual, snorkeling	DZOO-UFPR, MNRJ, MZUSP, UNMdP, USNM
<i>Obelia dichotoma</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	Algae, bryozoan, egg mass, hydroid, mussel, rock, shell, sponge	22°S to 50°S	SA, SP	0–48	Dredge, manual, SCUBA, snorkeling	DZOO-UFPR, MCN- FZB, MNHNU, MNRJ, MZUSP, UAC
<i>Obelia ?dichotoma</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	Scallop	35°S to 36°S	SA	Not- recorded	Not-recorded	MZUSP

?Obelia dichotoma (Linnaeus, 1758)	Sponge, hydroid	23°S to 44°S	SA, SP	3	SCUBA	MNRJ, MZUSP
<i>Obelia geniculata</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	Algae, recruitment plate	23°S to 55°S	SA, SP	0–12	Manual, SCUBA, snorkeling, trawl	DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP, UAC, UNMdP
<i>Obelia ?geniculata</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	Not-recorded	49°S to 50°S	SA	Not- recorded	Not-recorded	UNMdP, MZUSP
Obelia longissima (Pallas, 1766)	Hydroid, rock, sand tube, shell, wood	34°S to 69°S	SA, S	55	Manual, snorkeling	MNHNU, MZUSP, UNMdP, USNM
<i>Obelia</i> sp.	Sponge	43°S to 45°S	SP	31	Not-recorded	MNRJ, MZUSP DZOO-UFPR,
Orthopyxis caliculata (Hincks, 1853)	Algae, hydroid	25°S to 50°S	SA	0–2	Manual, snorkeling	MNHNU, MZUSP, UNMdP
<i>Orthopyxis crenata</i> (Hartlaub, 1901)	Algae, hydroid	27°S to 29°S	SA	0–2	Manual	MZUSP
Orthopyxis hartlaubi El Beshbeeshy, 2011	Not-recorded	54°S to 55°S	SA	76	Not-recorded	UV
Orthopyxis sargassicola (Nutting, 1915)	Algae	27°S to 28°S	SA	0–10	Manual, SCUBA	MZUSP
Orthopyxis ?sargassicola (Nutting, 1915)	Algae, rock	23°S to 27°S	SA	0–3	Snorkeling	DZOO-UFPR, MZUSP
Orthopyxis sp.	Algae, hydroid, net, sponge	23°S to 55°S	SA	0–137	Dredge, manual, SCUBA, snorkeling	DZOO-UFPR, MCN- FZB, MZUSP, UV
Silicularia rosea Meyen, 1834	Algae	47°S to 54°S	SA	73–79	Manual	MZUSP, UNMdP, UV
Tulpa tulipifera (Allman, 1888)	Not-recorded	41°S to 55°S	SA	70–586	Not-recorded	UNMdP, UV

Table 2. Richness of benthic hydroid species for each ocean surveyed on the studied area, their respective percentages in relation to the total number of species (N=256), richness of endemic species, percentage of endemic species in relation to the total number of species found for each ocean surveyed on the studied area. SWAO: Southwestern Atlantic Ocean; SEPO: Southeastern Pacific Ocean; SO: Southern Ocean.

Ocean	Richness	Percentage of richness	Richness of endemic species	Percentage of endemic species
SWAO	187	73%	73	39%
SEPO	41	16%	16	39%
SO	101	39%	89	88%
Total	256	-	137	54%

Table 3. Assemblages delimited by similarity percentages (SIMPER) analysis for the Austral coast of South America (ACSA) and Southern Ocean (SO).

Assemblages	Internal similarity	Number of species	Species composition	Observations
SSA 1	15%	4	Acryptolaria conferta (45%), Lytocarpia canepa (11%), Sertularella tenella (21%), Symplectoscyphus subdichotomus (11%)	Assemblage composed by species from deep and cold water areas (~200 to 800m depth).
SSA 2	28%	3	Clytia gracilis (33.4%), Phialella belgicae (33.4%), Plumularia setacea (33.4%)	Disjunct assemblage concentrated at the coast of Bahía Blanca and at the sub-Magellanic Chilean coast, grouping species from two different oceans, the Southwestern Atlantic Ocean (SWAO) and the Southeastern Pacific Ocean (SEPO).
SSA 3	55%	22	Abietinella operculata (3.7%), Amphisbetia operculata (3.7%), Campanularia agas (3.7%), C. subantarctica (3.7%), Clytia gracilis (3.7%), Halecium beanii (3.7%), H. delicatulum (3.7%), Halopteris plumosa (3.7%), Hebella striata (3.7%), Lafoea dumosa (3.7%), Parascyphus repens (3.7%), Plumularia setacea (3.7%), Sertularella antarctica (3.7%), S. conica (3.7%), S. fuegonensis (3.7%), S. gaudichaudi (3.7%), S. gayi (3.7%), S. jorgensis (3.7%), S. polyzonias (3.7%), S. robusta (3.7%), S. tenella (3.7%), Staurotheca jaederholmi (3.7%)	Assemblage concentrated at the Magellanic region, dominated by species of <i>Sertularella</i> (9/22 species) and including 9 endemic species for the SSA and SO: <i>Abietinella operculata, Campanularia agas, C. subantarctica, Halopteris plumosa, Parascyphus repens, Sertularella antarctica, S. fuegonensis, S. jorgensis, Staurotheca jaederholmi.</i>
SSA 4	56%	20	Aglaophenia acacia (4%), Amphisbetia operculata (4%), Bimeria vestita (4%), Campanularia agas (4%), Clytia gracilis (4%), Coryne eximia (4%), Ectopleura crocea (4%), Eudendrium ramosum (4%), Halecium beanii (4%), H. delicatulum (4%), Monotheca pulchella (4%), Obelia bidentata (4%), O. dichotoma (4%), O. longissima (4%), Orthopyxis caliculata (4%), Phialella belgicae (4%), P. chilensis (4%), Plumularia setacea (4%), P. strictocarpa (4%), Sertularella gaudichaudi (4%)	Assemblage concentrated along the Southern Brazil-Buenos Aires coast and the Argentinean Patagonia coast, with most part of its richness composed by campanulariid species (6/20 species), though all species contribute equally to the similarity among the quadrants.
SSA 5	47%	4	Coryne eximia (20%), Plumularia setacea (20%), Sertularella gaudichaudi (20%), Stegolaria irregularis (20%)	Assemblage gathering quadrants from North and central coast of Chile, in which the species <i>Coryne eximia</i> , <i>Plumularia setacea</i> , <i>Sertularella</i> <i>gaudichaudi</i> and <i>Stegolaria irregularis</i> have been constantly found associated to many different marine organisms (Galea, 2007; Galea et al., 2007b, 2007c, 2009a, 2009b; Galea & Schories, 2012a).
SO 1	46%	11	Antarctoscyphus elongatus (10%), A. grandis (9.5%), A. spiralis (9%), Billardia subrufa (4%), Monocaulus microrhiza (4%), Oswaldella erratum (4%), O. stepanjantsae (4%), Staurotheca antarctica (13%), S. glomulosa (13%), S. nonscripta (6%), S. pachyclada (6%)	Disjunct ssemblage gathering the Weddell and the Ross Seas, being dominated by species of Sertulariidae (7/11 species).
SO 2	71%	6	Oswaldella erratum (14%), Staurotheca antarctica (14%), S. australis (14%), S. dichotoma (14%), S. glomulosa (14%), S. nonscripta (14%)	Assemblage concentrated at the Bouvet Island region, dominated by species of <i>Staurotheca</i> (5/6 species).

SO 3	43%	9	Antarctoscyphus asymmetricus (13%), A. elongatus (13%), A. grandis (6%), A. spiralis (6%), Schizotricha turqueti (6%), Staurotheca dichotoma (13%), S. frigida (13%), S. glomulosa (6%), S. multifurcata (7%)	Assemblage concentrated at the Scotia Arc, dominated by species of Sertulariidae (8/9 species).
SO 4	70%	37	Abietinella operculata (2.3%), Antarctoscyphus asymmetricus (2.3%), A. elongatus (2.3%), A. grandis (2.3%), A. mawsoni (2.3%), A. spiralis (2.3%), Billardia subrufa (2.3%), Clathrozoella medeae (2.3%), Halecium delicatulum (2.3%), H. jaederholmi (2.3%), H. ovatum (2.3%), H. pallens (2.3%), Lafoea dumosa (2.3%), Mixoscyphus antarcticus (2.3%), Oswaldella antarctica (2.3%), O. delicata (2.3%), O. errata (2.3%), O. frigida (2.3%), O. grandis (2.3%), O. incognita (2.3%), O. shetlandica (2.3%), O. stepanjantsae (2.3%), O. vervoorti (2.3%), S. chizotricha falcata (2.3%), S. turqueti (2.3%), S. vervoorti (2.3%), Sertularella gayi (2.3%), S. sammatiasensis (2.3%), S. dichotoma (2.3%), S. glomulosa (2.3%), S. pachyclada (2.3%), S. vanhoeffeni (2.3%), Stegella lobata (2.3%)	This is the richest assemblage (37 species), concentrated at the Antarctic Peninsula, and dominated by species of Sertulariidae (15 species) and Kirchenpaueriidae (9 species).
SO 5	36%	5	Antarctoscyphus spiralis (8%), Halecium ovatum (8%), Oswaldella antarctica (21%), O. billardi (21%), Staurotheca antarctica (21%)	Disjunct assemblage gathering the Weddell Sea and the East coast of Antarctica.

Appendix 1. Data set with the presence and absence of the 249 species of benthic hydroids for each quadrant of 10° latitude X 10° longitude used in the Bray-Curtis similarity analysis for the southern South America (SSA) coast and Southern Ocean (SO). Each block with "0" and "1" represent the list of the species used in the analysis ordered from 1 to 249. The correspondence of the numbers and the species is as follows: 1. Abietinella operculata; 2. Acryptolaria conferta; 3. A. longitheca; 4. A. minuta; 5. A. operculata; 6. Aglaophenia acacia; 7. A. latecarinata; 8. A. rhynchocarpa; 9. A. trifida; 10. Amphisbetia operculata; 11. Antarctoscyphus admirabilis; 12. A. asymmetricus; 13. A. elongatus; 14. A. encarnae; 15. A. fragilis; 16. A. grandis; 17. A. gruzovi; 18. A. mawsoni; 19. A. spiralis; 20. Antennella secundaria; 21. Billardia subrufa; 22. Bimeria vestita; 23. Bougainvillia rugosa; 24. Bouillonia denhartogi; 25. Campanularia agas; 26. C. hincksii; 27. C. hincksoni; 28. C. subantarctica; 29. C. tincta; 30. Cladocoryne floccosa; 31. Cladonema radiatum; 32. Clathrozoella abyssalis; 33. C. medeae; 34. Clytia hemisphaerica; 35. C. gracilis; 36. C. hummelincki; 37. C. linearis; 38. C. noliformis; 39. Cordylophora caspia; 40. Corymorpha januarii; 41. Coryne eximia; 42. Dentitheca bidentata: 43. Diphasia digitalis: 44. D. tropica: 45. Dvnamena crisioides: 46. D. dalmasi: 47. D. disticha: 48. D. guadridentata: 49. Ectopleura crocea: 50. E. obvpa: 51. Eudendrium capillare; 52. E. caraiuru; 53. E. carneum; 54. E. merulum; 55. E. pocaruguarum; 56. E. ramosum; 57. E. tottoni; 58. Eutima sapinhoa; 59. Filellum antarcticum; 60. Gonothyraea loveni: 61. Grammaria abietina: 62. Gymnangium allmani: 63. Halecium antarcticum: 64. H. beanii: 65. H. bermudense: 66. H. delicatulum: 67. H. dichotomum: 68. H. dyssymetrum; 69. H. jaederholmi; 70. H. lightbourni; 71. H. ovatum; 72. H. pallens; 73. H. tenellum; 74. Halopteris alternata; 75. H. carinata; 76. H. constricta; 77. H. diaphana; 78. H. plumosa; 79. H. polymorpha; 80. H. tenella; 81. Hartlaubella gelatinosa; 82. Hebella scandens; 83. H. striata; 84. Hincksella cylindrica; 85. Hybocodon chilensis; 86. Hydractinia uniformis; 87. Hydrodendron arboreum; 88. Idiellana pristis; 89. Lafoea coalescens; 90. L. dumosa; 91. L. gaussica; 92. Lafoeina amirantensis; 93. Lovenella gracilis; 94. Lytocarpia canepa; 95. L. tridentata; 96. Macrorhynchia grandis; 97. M. philippina; 98. Mixoscyphus antarcticus; 99. Monocaulus microrhiza; 100. M. parvula; 101. Monostaechas guadridens; 102. Monotheca margaretta: 103. M. pulchella: 104. Nemalecium lighti: 105. Nemertesia antennina: 106. N. cvmodocea: 107. N. ramosa: 108. N. vervoorti: 109. Obelia bidentata: 110. O. dichotoma; 111. O. geniculata; 112. O. longissima; 113. Orthopyxis caliculata; 114. O. crenata; 115. O. hartlaubi; 116. O. sargassicola; 117. Oswaldella antarctica; 118. O. bifurca; 119. O. billardi; 120. O. blanconae; 121. O. crassa; 122. O. curiosa; 123. O. delicata; 124. O. elongata; 125. O. encarnae; 126. O. erratum; 127. O. frigida; 128. O. garciacarrascosai; 129. O. gracilis: 130. O. grandis: 131. O. herwigi: 132. O. incognita: 133. O. laertesi: 134. O. medeae: 135. O. monomammilata: 136. O. niobae: 137. O. obscura: 138. O. rigida: 139. O. shetlandica; 140. O. stepanjantsae; 141. O. terranovae; 142. O. tottoni; 143. O. vervoorti; 144. Parascyphus repens; 145. Parawrightia robusta; 146. Pennaria disticha; 147. Phialella belgicae; 148. P. chilensis; 149. Plumularia floridana; 150. P. insignis; 151. P. setacea; 152. P. strictocarpa; 153. Pycnotheca mirabilis; 154. Rhizogeton nudus; 155. Salacia desmoides; 156. Scandia mutabilis; 157. Schizotricha anderssoni; 158. S. crassa; 159. S. falcata; 160. S. jaederholmi; 161. S. multifurcata; 162. S. nana; 163. S. southgeorgiae; 164. S. trinematotheca; 165. S. turqueti; 166. S. unifurcata; 167. S. vervoorti; 168. Sertularella antarctica; 169. S. arevi; 170. S. argentinica; 171. S. conica; 172. S. cruzensis; 173. S. fuegonensis; 174. S. gaudichaudi; 175. S. gayi; 176. S. jorgensis; 177. S. leiocarpa; 178. S. mixta; 179. S. polyzonias; 180. S. robusta; 181. S. sanmatiasensis; 182. S. striata; 183. S. tenella; 184. S. vervoorti; 185. Sertularia distans; 186. S. loculosa; 187. S. marginata; 188. S. rugosissima; 189. S. tumida; 190. S. turbinata; 191. Silicularia rosea; 192. Staurodisarsia reesi; 193. Staurotheca abyssalis; 194. S. affinis; 195. S. amphorophora; 196. S. antarctica; 197. S. australis; 198. S. compressa; 199. S. cornuta; 200. S. densa; 201. S. dichotoma; 202. S. echinocarpa; 203. S. frigida; 204. S. glomulosa; 205. S. jaederholmi; 206. S. multifurcata; 207. S. nonscripta; 208. S. pachyclada: 209. S. plana; 210. S. polarsterni; 211. S. profunda; 212. S. stolonifera; 213. S. tubifera; 214. S. undosiparietina; 215. S. vanhoeffeni; 216. S. vervoorti; 217. Stegella lobata; 218. Stegolaria irregularis; 219. Symplectoscyphus anae; 220. S. bathyalis; 221. S. curvatus; 222. S. exochus; 223. S. flexilis; 224. S. frigidus; 225. S. glacialis; 226. S. interruptus; 227. S. leloupi; 228. S. liouvillei; 229. S. magellanicus; 230. S. milneanus; 231. S. naumovi; 232. S. nesioticus; 233. S. paraglacialis; 234. S. paulensis; 235. S. plectilis; 236. S. sofiae; 237. S. subdichotomus; 238. S. vanhoeffeni; 239. S. vervoorti; 240. Synthecium protectum; 241. S. tubithecum; 242. Thuiaria polycarpa; 243. Thyroscyphus marginatus; 244. T. ramosus; 245. Tulpa tulipifera; 246. Turritopsis nutricula; 247. Ventromma halecioides; 248. Zygophylax sibogae; 249. Zyzzyzus warreni.

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Capítulo 3. Areas of endemism for the southern South America coast and Southern Ocean: a hypothesis based on benthic hydroids

Abstract

The southern South America (SSA) coast and the Southern Ocean (SO) have a high differentiation of habitats and have been historically connected since the opening of the Drake Passage. The benthic marine fauna of both regions are connected and highly diverse, highlighting the need for more biogeographic investigations. Here, we studied the geographic distribution of benthic hydroids from the SSA coast and SO to hypothesize the areas of endemism for the region through the widely used Endemicity Analysis (EA). The geographic distribution of 249 species of benthic hydroids on a 10° latitude X 10° longitude grid were used together with the optimization algorithm of the NDM-VNDM software, and the "loose consensus rule" implemented in the software. We obtained 9 (F=0.5) and 10 (F=1.0) consensus areas of endemism historically related to the isolation of Antarctica. Our analyses combined a strong taxonomic basis with a high spatial resolution of the method, in addition to robustness in delimiting the areas of endemism. The patterns were compared with previous historical and ecological areas delimited for the SSA coast and SO and discussed in the context of vicariance/dispersal processes together with the particularities of hydrozoan biology involving polyps and medusae. The actual degree of endemicity presented by marine areas of endemism and to what extent they can be considered pure historical units is evaluated under a biogeographical context involving both ecology and history.

INTRODUCTION

Hydroid is the name given to cnidarians of the orders 'Anthoathecata' (non-monophyletic, see Cartwright et al., 2008; Van Iten et al., 2014) and Leptothecata (class Hydrozoa). They are among the most widely distributed marine organisms, occurring in all oceans and depths from the poles to the Equator and are represented by both planktonic and benthic stages during their complex life cycle (Millard, 1975; Cornelius, 1992a; Bouillon et al., 2006; Calder & Cairns, 2009). The asexual reproduction of hydroids allows them to grow quickly both on natural (including epibiosis) and artificial substrates, but they also have a high diversity of sexual reproductive strategies (Gili & Hughes, 1995; Genzano & Rodriguez, 1998; Migotto et al., 2001; Genzano, 2001, 2002; Genzano & San Martín, 2002; Dougherty & Russell, 2005; Gili et al., 2006; Oliveira & Marques, 2007). All these aspects qualify benthic hydroid species as a good model for marine biogeographic studies.

There are few biogeographic studies on benthic hydroids, and most of them are restricted to ecological analyses and discussions of distributional scenarios (*e.g.*, Millard, 1978; Calder, 1992; Peña Cantero & García Carrascosa, 1999; Galea et al., 2007; Gibbons et al., 2010a, 2010b). A few recent studies have focused on primary biogeographic homologies (*cf.* Morrone, 2001), proposing hypotheses of areas of endemism for the marine realm based on data of benthic hydroids (*e.g.*, Marques & Peña Cantero, 2010; Miranda et al., 2013). Despite the recent increase in the number of studies on marine areas of endemism (Garraffoni et al., 2006; Moreno et al., 2006, 2014; Winfield et al., 2006; Myers & Lowry, 2009), they are still concentrated in only a few taxa, and the understanding of marine primary biogeographic homologies is far less advanced than terrestrial homologies (Miranda & Marques, 2011). As a consequence, marine conservation policies are often

compromised (Marques & Carranza, 2013).

In addition to the few formal biogeographical analyses for benthic hydroids (or cnidarians in general), there are also questions related to the approaches used in these analyses. Biogeographic methods are diverse, and there is some dispute about their efficiency, mainly concerning areas of endemism; several alternative methods can be used, including null models (Mast & Nyffeler, 2003; Giokas & Sfenthourakis, 2008), area groups (Harold & Mooi, 1994; Deo & DeSalle, 2006), parsimony analyses of endemicity (PAE; Rosen, 1988; Morrone, 1994; Morrone & Escalante, 2002), and optimization algorithms (Szumik et al., 2002; Szumik & Goloboff, 2004).

Among this portfolio of methods, Szumik et al. (2002) and Szumik & Goloboff (2004) proposed an optimization method to search for areas of endemism that has been widely used since its implementation (Domínguez et al., 2006; Díaz Gómez, 2007; Aagesen et al., 2009, 2012; Casagranda et al., 2009, 2012; Escalante et al., 2009a, 2009b; Navarro et al., 2009; Ferrari et al., 2010; Szumik et al., 2012; Aagesen et al., 2013). This method, Endemicity Analysis (EA), is different from other approaches because it reflects ecological and historical assumptions, in addition to considering the exact geographic point inside the analyzed quadrant (Szumik & Goloboff, 2004). The method is based on an endemicity score based on the number of taxa and their distribution constrained to a given area (Szumik et al., 2006). Analyses are carried out by NDM, following a heuristic search for the areas, and by VNDM, which allows for the visualization of the areas of endemism and the contribution of each species to each score (Goloboff, 2004). Different search strategies can be performed using EA, such as assumed and inferred presences, as well as the use of niche modeling algorithms as a previous treatment for the dataset to be analyzed (Casagranda et al., 2009; Escalante et al., 2009a, 2009b). Recently, a consensus algorithm for EA was proposed, helping to summarize results with large numbers of hypotheses of endemism (Aagesen et al., 2013). The various types of methods yield an interesting analysis that can be used in the complex marine environment (Miranda & Marques, 2011).

The southern South America (SSA) coast and the Southern Ocean (SO) are composed of several different habitats with various oceanographic characteristics, such as channels, estuaries, rocky shores and sandy beaches, deep-sea areas with soft and hard bottoms, ridges, seamounts, hydrothermal vents, fjords, ice shelves and icebergs (Boltovskoy, 1981; Silva & Palma, 2006; Silva, 2008; Genzano et al., 2009; Waller et al., 2011; Chown, 2012; Grange & Smith, 2013). Despite this diversity of habitats, the SSA and the SO were historically connected until the opening of the Drake Passage and the separation of the Antarctic Peninsula from the South America *ca.* 30 Mya (Barker & Burrell, 1977; Beu et al., 1997; Lawver & Gahagan, 2003; Clarke et al., 2005). This event initiated an oceanographic system of currents leading to the thermic and biogeographically isolation of the SO, followed by Antarctica glaciation and, as a by-product, the development of endemic marine fauna for the region (Barker & Burrell, 1977; Clarke & Crame, 1989; Beu et al., 1997; Lawver & Gahagan, 2003; Clarke et al., 2004). The long isolation of the SO makes this area an interesting laboratory to study the factors that have influenced the evolutionary history of its biota (Clarke et al., 2004).

The SSA is an interesting case because its diversity is driven by the Antarctic and South American marine faunas (Cañete et al., 1999; Peña Cantero & García Carrascosa, 1999; Clarke & Johnston, 2003; Clarke et al., 2005; Yasuhara et al., 2007; Marques & Peña Cantero, 2010; Kaiser et al., 2011; Miranda et al., 2013). The SSA is influenced by a complex interaction between the Pacific and Atlantic waters. The Pacific side is oceanographically dominated by the cold Humboldt Current regime, and it is characterized by its strong heterogeneity and seasonality (Daneri et al., 2000). Wind-driven upwellings and variations caused by El Niño events are among the main characteristics of the Humboldt Current system, frequently regulating the dynamics of several marine communities/populations (Escribano, 1998; Daneri et al., 2000). The Atlantic side, on the other hand, is characterized by the convergence of the warm Brazil Current and the cold Falklands/Malvinas Current, which is responsible for the generation of intense thermoclines on the Southwestern region of the Atlantic Ocean and for events of coastal upwelling that contribute to the development of a diverse marine fauna in the region (Matsuura, 1986; Acha et al., 2004; Acha & Mianzan, 2006).

The high benthic diversity of the marine fauna of the SSA coast and SO (Clarke & Crame, 1992; De Broyer & Rauschert, 1999; Peña Cantero & García Carrascosa, 1999; Clarke et al., 2004; Giberto et al., 2004; Peña Cantero, 2004; Gappa et al., 2006; Brandt et al., 2007; Galea et al., 2007; Schejter & Bremec, 2007; Yasuhara et al., 2007; Clarke, 2008; Genzano et al., 2011; Kaiser et al., 2013; Marques et al., 2013; Oliveira et al., in press), which is associated with their unique geologic/ oceanographic history and a large variety of habitats, raises questions about its basic biogeographic composition. To date, EA has not been applied for marine regions, and the efficacy of its use remains untested in marine settings. Thus, we suggest that this gap should be filled in studies of marine biogeography. We carry out an EA (Szumik et al., 2002; Szumik & Goloboff, 2004) using benthic hydroid species, which are a successful and well-represented taxonomic group, with the aim to infer the areas of endemism for the SSA coast and SO (with the exception of hydrocorals), as well as their geographic distribution in the area.

MATERIAL AND METHODS

Taxa

Our data matrix includes information of 249 species of benthic hydroids, involving 78 genera and 28 families, based on a survey of 4,837 geographic sampling sites distributed around an interval of 0–4,000 m in depth of the SSA coast and SO (Appendix 1). We reviewed the taxonomic identification of all materials and checked all geographic coordinates of their occurrence prior to the inclusion of any point in the dataset. To the best of our knowledge, this dataset is unique in marine biogeographical studies because it corresponds to an extensive amount of primary data and not a composite of literature records. This procedure increases the quality and reliability of the data, diminishing noise due to incorrect or problematic identifications. The taxonomic classifications of many species have previously been checked and published in other studies (*viz.*, Oliveira et al., in press).

Search methods

The search for areas of endemism was carried out using the optimization algorithm of the software NDM-VNDM ver. 3 (Goloboff, 2004). The analyses were performed with 249 species of benthic hydroids (Appendix 1) on a grid of quadrants of 10° latitude X 10° longitude along the entire area of the SSA coast and SO, with an origin at 17°S and 195°W. We used the heuristic search option "swap one cell at a time" and values of F=0.5 and 1.0 for inferred presences. The groups of quadrants resulting in a score above three were considered. Consensus areas were calculated using the "loose consensus rule" and a cut-off value of 75%. The "loose consensus rule" selects one area to be part of the consensus if it shares a percentage of the species with at least one other area in the consensus (Aagesen et al., 2009, 2013). This rule is more relaxed and allows us to depict a high number of candidate areas of endemism in the consensus, which is better for large-scale studies when it is not necessary to have a high level of detail on the area dataset (Aagesen et al., 2012, 2013).
RESULTS

The analysis with F=0.5 resulted in 19 areas of endemism summarized in 9 consensus areas with a total of 107 endemic species (Figure 1; Tables 1–3). The consensus areas depicted six main patterns of areas of endemism: (1) Southwestern Atlantic (areas 4, 9; Figure 1; Table 2), (2) South America (area 6; Figure 1; Table 2), (3) South America and Antarctic Peninsula (area 5, Figure 1, Table 2), (4) Patagonia and Antarctic Peninsula (area 3, Figure 1, Table 2), (5) Scotia Arc and Antarctic Peninsula (areas 1, 2; Figure 1; Table 2), and (6) Magellanic and Antarctic Peninsula (areas 7, 8, Figure 1, Table 2).

The analysis with F=1.0 resulted in 18 areas of endemism summarized in 10 consensus areas with a total of 112 endemic species (Figure 2, Tables 1–3). The consensus areas depicted seven main patterns of areas of endemism: (1) Southwestern Atlantic (areas 3, 10, Figure 2, Table 3), (2) South America (area 7, Figure 2, Table 3), (3) South America and Antarctic Peninsula (area 5; Figure 2; Table 3), (4) Patagonia and Antarctic Peninsula (area 2, Figure 2; Table 3), (5) Scotia Arc and Antarctic Peninsula (areas 1, 4; Figure 2; Table 3), (6) Magellanic and Antarctic Peninsula (area 8, 9, Figure 2, Table 3), and (7) Magellanic, Antarctic Peninsula and Ross Sea (area 6, Figure 2, Table 3).

DISCUSSION

Ecological and historical aspects of hydroids areas of endemism

The identified areas of endemism (Figures 1, 2) may be compared to several coastal and pelagic marine realms, provinces and ecoregions. Overall, the areas of endemism delimited in this study were inserted into the two main coastal realms (Temperate South America and Southern Ocean) and six provinces (Warm Temperate Southeastern Pacific, Juan Fernández and Desventuradas, Warm Temperate Southwestern Atlantic, Magellanic, Scotia Sea, and Continental High Antarctic) of those proposed by Spalding et al. (2007). Concerning the pelagic realms, our areas of endemism overlapped with five of the realms: the South Central Atlantic, Malvinas Current, Subantarctic, Antarctic Polar Front, and Antarctic, which are influenced by several oceanographic processes related to different water masses, current systems and productivity rates (Spalding et al., 2012). For example, the continuous areas of endemism along the Antarctic Peninsula, Scotia Arc and Magellanic zone (areas 1–3, 5, 7, 8, Figure 1; areas 1, 2, 4–6, 8, 9, Figure 2) are mainly dominated by a branch of the Antarctic Circumpolar Current (ACC) that flows northwards along the Argentinean coast and is responsible for the existence of the Malvinas Current realm (Spalding et al., 2012).

Other marine areas of endemism, provinces and ecoregions have already been proposed for several marine taxa, such as bryozoans, crustaceans, echinoderms, mollusks, polychaetes, pycnogonids, sponges, and tunicates (Darlington, 1960; Knox, 1960; Hedgpeth, 1969; Briggs, 1974; Palacio, 1982; Van Soest, 1994, 1998; Van Soest & Hajdu, 1997; Glasby, 1999; Glasby & Alvarez, 1999; Garraffoni et al., 2006). Among these patterns, the Southwestern Atlantic, Magellanic, and Antarctic areas of endemism, which were first hypothesized by Van Soest (1994) and followed by many other studies (Van Soest, 1994, 1998; Van Soest & Hajdu, 1997; Glasby, 1999; Glasby & Alvarez, 1999; Garraffoni et al., 2006), are the areas that best fit the areas of endemism delimited herein, although some fragmentation and better cohesion was found in our patterns (Figures 1, 2). All these previous areas of endemism, however, are based on comparisons of distributional data from the literature and gather all the accumulated knowledge on traditional studies in marine biogeography from the last fifty years (Darlington, 1960; Knox, 1960; Hedgpeth, 1969; Briggs, 1974; Palacio, 1982). The problem is that this knowledge may contain misleading taxonomical information on the taxa used as a basis for the construction of the biogeographic area hypotheses, which will clearly be reflected in the patterns. In addition, these areas are not supported by formal biogeographical search methods of the areas of endemism (*e.g.*, area groups, null models, PAE, EA), and therefore, they might carry a high degree of subjectivity employed during the comparisons and delimitations of areas. Therefore, we do not consider the areas of endemism delimited only through the literature distributional data comparisons to represent robust and strong hypotheses of primary biogeographic homology (Morrone, 2001) for the SSA coast and SO.

The recent ecological hypotheses for global marine biogeographic patterns for coastal and pelagic waters (Spalding et al., 2007, 2012) are based on extensive literature distribution data and have high spatial resolution and several different parameters (abiotic and biotic factors, geomorphological and oceanographic features). They correspond to the paradigm used by the research community. Their taxonomic robustness, however, is not completely guaranteed. Our hypotheses of areas of endemism combine a well-grounded taxonomy of the key group of benthic hydroids with an inference method that provides a high spatial resolution and robustness to the proposed areas. The areas of endemism we hypothesized overlap with at least two provinces and several realms and ecoregions of Spalding et al. (2007, 2012). In some cases, it is possible that they are ruled by different oceanographic dynamics and distinct abiotic and biotic variables. Ultimately, this indicates that the environmental variables defining Spalding's et al. (2012, 2014) provinces, realms and ecoregions, which potentially act as ecological barriers to the distribution of marine species, do not necessarily represent a barrier for the distribution of benthic hydroids.

Hydroids and the dispersive events related to their distribution have a relationship with the diverse reproductive strategies involving the medusa and polyp stages. Their success in colonizing different habitats is related to their indeterminate growth, high rate of regeneration and the presence of resting stages that survive for long periods of time (Gili & Hughes, 1995). Hydroid colonies live attached to several types of natural or artificial substrates and may develop free hydranths, buds, frustules and clones from small portions of tissue (Calder & Brehmer, 1967; Gili & Hughes, 1995; Genzano, 1998, 2001, 2002; Genzano & Rodriguez, 1998; Migotto et al., 2001; Genzano & San Martín, 2002; Genzano & Zamponi, 2003; Genzano et al., 2011; Marques et al., 2013; Fernandez et al., 2014a). The substrates may serve as rafts, representing one of the main dispersal mechanisms recorded for hydroid species (Cornelius, 1992a, 1992b; Choong & Calder, 2013). The recent records of 15 Japanese benthic hydroid species on the west coast of the United States that drifted from the 2011 tsunami prove their potential for transoceanic dispersal (Choong & Calder, 2013; Calder et al., 2014). Transition zones, particularly the transition between South America and the Antarctic (e.g., areas 1–3, 5, 7, 8, Figure 1; areas 1, 2, 4–6, 8, 9, Figure 2), are certainly influenced by this high dispersal potential. Many studies have also discussed transition hypotheses based on other benthic marine invertebrates and their strategies of dispersal (Beu et al., 1997; Cañete et al., 1999; Montiel et al., 2005; Linse et al., 2006; Rodríguez et al., 2007; Yasuhara et al., 2007; González-Wevar et al., 2010; Díaz et al., 2011; Kaiser et al., 2011). Undoubtedly, marine benthic organisms have more dispersive pathways than previously thought.

In addition to the ecological component of the areas of endemism of the SSA coast and SO, our results from the EA are also historically related to the opening of the Drake Passage and consequently the isolation of the Antarctic continent during the Cenozoic (Lawver & Gahagan, 2003; Clarke et al., 2005). The areas delimited by this study are supported by the unique compositions of hydroid species (Tables 2, 3), thus supporting the historical causes for their

diversification. For example, species supporting the South American and Southwestern Atlantic patterns (areas 4–6, 9; Figure 1; Table 2; areas 3, 5, 7, 10; Figure 2; Table 3) occur mainly between 20°S and 50°S; although they are widespread along this entire area, they are rare in cold regions (Blanco, 1994; Migotto, 1996; Marques, 2001; Grohmann et al., 2003, 2011; Genzano et al., 2009; Cunha & Jacobucci, 2010; Miranda et al., 2011; Rodriguez et al., 2012; Marques et al., 2013; Fernandez et al., 2014a, 2014b), indicating the isolation of this fauna from the SO fauna.

Concerning the transition zones (areas 1–3, 5, 7, 8, Figure 1; Table 2; areas 1, 2, 4–6, 8, 9, Figure 2; Table 3), their species complement is frequently found along the region between South America and Antarctica, therefore characterizing a transitional benthic fauna as well (e.g., species of Antarctoscyphus, Clathrozoella and Oswaldella; Tables 2, 3). Many of these "transition species" belong to genera strongly represented in the SO (Peña Cantero et al., 1997; 2003; Peña Cantero & Vervoort, 2004; Marques & Peña Cantero, 2010), most likely with their northern range limited by historical barriers; they therefore represent key taxa in the correspondence between the Antarctic and South American benthic fauna. Based on this southern distribution, the areas of endemism using endemic species of benthic hydroids from the Antarctic and subantarctic regions (above the 40°S) were already hypothesized for the Southwestern Atlantic Ocean (SWAO) and SO (Marques & Peña Cantero, 2010; Miranda et al., 2013; Miranda et al., unpublished). Miranda et al. (unpublished) proposed three areas of endemism for the SWAO: (1) Brazilian, (2) Uruguayan-Argentinean, and (3) disjunct areas along Brazil, Uruguay, and Argentina; all these locations coincide with several of our consensus areas (areas 3–6, 9, Figure 1; areas 2, 3, 5, 7, 10, Figure 2). The Magellanic Zone and the three SO areas (viz., Antarctic Peninsula Zone, Western High Antarctica Zone and Eastern High Antarctica Zone) have previously been proposed (Marques & Peña Cantero, 2010: 618-619; Miranda et al., 2013) (Table 4).

Miranda et al. (2013) contrasted their areas of endemism with previous hypotheses of faunal evolution of the SO, *viz.* (H1) evolution *in situ*, (H2) derivation from adjacent deep-water basins, (H3) dispersal from South America through the Scotia Arc, and (H4) dispersal from Antarctica through the Scotia Arc (cf. Knox & Lowry, 1977). Our consensus can also be contrasted with these explanatory hypotheses. Hypotheses H1 and H2 support the vicariant isolation between the SSA coast and SO or a possible derivation from the adjacent deep-water basin (areas 4, 6, 9, Figure 1; areas 3, 7, 10, Figure 2). On the other hand, hypotheses H3 and H4 support the continuous patterns of some areas along the SSA coast and SO (areas 1–3, 5, 7, 8, Figure 1; areas 1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 9, Figure 2), in which dispersive events would be responsible for the widespread occurrence of the species in both the Patagonian-Magellanic and Antarctic Peninsula areas.

The processes related to the areas of endemism of the SSA coast and SO concern the ecological and historical causes that interact with the particularities of the biology of benthic hydroids. The historical sense of areas of endemism traditionally considers valid areas those with overlapping distributional ranges of two or more endemic species (Platnick, 1991; Morrone, 1994; Crisci et al., 2003; Szumik & Goloboff, 2004). Crother & Murray (2011) alternatively defined areas of endemism as geographic hierarchical areas with at least one unique species, or a unique combination of species, that are spatially and temporally bounded to constitute a single unit. The authors argue that areas of endemism are not 'classes' but 'individuals', and therefore they are real and natural entities that do not depend on human recognition. Thus, areas of endemism must be diagnosed by a unique combination of characters and not intentionally defined by a list of specific characters – they also evolve and interact with biological, geological and oceanographic dynamics and evolutionary changes on Earth (Crother & Murray, 2011).

The relaxed and integrative definition of areas of endemism by Crother & Murray (2011)

considers the fact that both ecological and historical events are actually involved in their establishment and maintenance. This is particularly worrying when the SO is facing climatic changes – ancient/present areas of endemism may become extinct and/or seriously transformed, and the historical evidence that initiated their existence may be erased. Thus, considering that areas of endemism are transitory historical units and that the marine system is extremely dynamic and has been highly impacted, the challenge is to determine to what extent the SSA coast and SO areas of endemism herein (or elsewhere) delimited can be considered as actual historical units. After all, these assemblages could be the result of ecological/adaptive processes.

The disjunct areas of endemism, such as consensus area 6 (Figure 2), are good examples to illustrate this question. The interpretation of disjunct areas of endemism is complex because it involves the composition of disjunct quadrants that together have no clear evidence for a historical hypothesis of origin. A variety of hypotheses could explain the concatenated disjunct distribution of sets of species in different sub-areas. The first hypothesis is that EA is insensitive to some types of distribution, and therefore the disjunct pattern would be an algorithmic artifact. A second hypothesis is that the identity of each sub-area is derived from spurious processes, such as bioinvasions (e.g., human mediated – see examples in Bardi & Marques, 2009; Rocha et al., 2013). If so, these sets of sub-areas would not be historical areas per se. A third hypothesis is that disjunct area 6 (Figure 2) is a result of a patchy distribution of rare species (Oswaldella blanconae, Phialella belgicae, Symplectoscyphus anae and S. nesioticus; see Blanco et al., 2000; Peña Cantero et al., 2002; Peña Cantero & Vervoort, 2004; El Beshbeeshy & Jarms, 2011; and Table 3, Appendix 1), possibly driven by specific selective pressures. A fourth hypothesis suggests that discontinuity reflects incipient vicariance, and a recent barrier is separating the biota. Finally, a fifth hypothesis suggests dispersal over a barrier (hypotheses H3 and H4 above), although barriers are seldom hypothesized or tested in marine scenarios, which makes them difficult to understand and characterize (Miranda & Marques, 2011). Whatever the hypothesis chosen, ecological and historical processes can be considered as good explanations for this scenario, even though there are contrasting hypotheses.

Another integrative view that addresses both ecological and historical processes is observed in the transition zones. Such zones (areas 1–3, 5, 7, 8, Figure 1; areas 1, 2, 4–6, 8, 9, Figure 2) may be related by the differential dispersive capacity among benthic hydroids due to their severalstage life cycle, contributing to the formation of species assemblages that are ecologically driven and maintained. The breaking between South America and Antarctica ca. 30 Mya generated oceanographic barriers to some species of benthic hydroids at the SSA, and this isolation might have led to the historical areas of endemism (areas 4, 6, 9, Figure 1; areas 3, 7, 10; Figure 2). These barriers, however, could not have affected all hydroid species, and some continue to disperse either from the SO to SSA or from the SSA to SO, resulting in a transition zone between both continents (see Tables 2, 3 and Appendix 1, for the species of areas 1–3, 5, 7, 8, Figure 1, and areas 1, 2, 4–6, 8, 9, Figure 2). Considering the definition of areas of endemism by Crother & Murray (2011), one may argue about the actual role of the ecological factors and barriers delimiting these biogeographic units. Most likely, the present distribution of the species is an interactive result of both ecological and historical processes. Indeed, the lack of historical understanding in biogeography to explain patterns of species distribution, which is often interpreted as a result of ecological processes, was criticized (Warren et al., 2014). The authors used three examples (community phylogenetics, environmental niche modeling, and analysis of beta diversity) in which it would be possible to integrate history with ecology in biogeographic-interpretative scenarios.

Dispersal, vicariance and barriers in the marine realm

Our hypotheses for the biogeographical patterns for the SSA coast and SO (Figures 1, 2) are related to dispersal and vicariance. Both evolutionary processes are frequently considered alternative (Heads, 2005; Cowie & Holland, 2006) and not complementary phenomena, and integrative approaches are rare. Studies emphasizing dispersalism and/or center of origin prevail (Briggs, 1974, 2003, 2005; Cornelius, 1992a, 1992b; Gravier-Bonnet, 1992; Parker & Tunnicliffe, 1994; Linse et al., 2006; Pearse et al., 2009; Castelin et al., 2010; Gibbons et al., 2010a, 2010b; Briggs & Bowen, 2012; 2013; Gillespie et al., 2012; Gittenberger, 2012; Longo et al., 2012; Marshall et al., 2012; Bowen et al., 2013; Choong & Calder, 2013; Gaither & Rocha, 2013; Macfarlane et al., 2013; Pierrat et al., 2013) in marine biogeography, but there are some counter examples of studies using vicariance hypotheses (Rosen, 1988; Myers, 1997; Anderson, 2000; Heads, 2005; Floeter et al., 2008; Ayre et al., 2009; Marques & Peña Cantero, 2010; Claremont et al., 2011; González-Wevar et al., 2012; Lind et al., 2012; Cowman & Bellwood, 2013; Pierrat et al., 2013). The studies listed above provided data corroborating both dispersal and vicariance to support distributional hypotheses, with variation on the nature of the biogeographic processes responsible for the past and present patterns of species distribution.

Geographic barriers and their relationship with dispersal and vicariance are rarely discussed in marine biogeographic studies. Most of the areas of endemism revealed by our EA appear to be related to "soft" barriers, which are formed from hydrological processes that disrupt the free movement of specimens (Cowman & Bullwood, 2013). This contrasts with "hard" barriers, which are formed from land bridges that physically split marine species (Cowman & Bullwood, 2013). The boundaries of the South America and Southwestern Atlantic Ocean areas (areas 4-6, 9, Figure 1; areas 3, 5, 7, 10, Figure 2) and their isolation in relation to the SO are examples of "soft" barriers. These areas integrate the historical, ecological and oceanographic processes of the SSA. Their boundaries are defined in the north and south by the upwelling zone of Cape Frio (~20°S) and the ACC (~60°S), respectively. The ACC separates the colder Antarctic waters from the northern warmer waters (Spalding et al., 2012). The fauna composing areas 4-6, 9 (Figure 1) and areas 3, 5, 7, 10 (Figure 2) is isolated from the SO at the distributional limit of 50°S (Tables 1, 2). Another example of biogeographic isolation generated by the ACC is the high endemicity rate in the SO (see chapter 2), which is represented by unique Antarctic genera (Antarctoscyphus, Clathrozoella, Oswaldella and Mixoscyphus). The ACC isolates the fauna into a zone where the water temperature decreases up to 3°C southwards, and the realm is characterized by sea-ice dynamics that drive the formation of cold and fresh bottom water (Spalding et al., 2012).

However, it is not a simple task to define biogeographic barriers, as what might represent a barrier for one taxa, is not a barrier for another taxa. The issue is also compromised due to the common view that the marine environment would be a large and continuous water mass without physical breaks acting on the distribution of species (Miranda & Marques, 2011). The transition areas along the Magellanic zone, Scotia Arc and Antarctic Peninsula (areas 1–3, 5, 7, 8, Figure 1; areas 1, 2, 4–6, 8, 9, Figure 2) are composed of species with different boundaries. For instance, widespread species such as *Amphisbetia operculata* and *Ectopleura crocea* are distributed along the entire region between ~20°S and 50°S (see Table 1, chapter 2), and their distribution appears to be related to a high tolerance to variations in environmental conditions, seasonality, and resting stages (Genzano et al., 2008; Di Camillo et al., 2013). Similar examples were already recorded for the marine benthos. Piovesan et al. (2012), in reviewing the marine ostracod *Majungaella*, emphasized that the distribution of the genus followed the break of Western Gondwana and the opening of the

Atlantic Ocean (*ca.* 115 Myr), which allowed the northward migration of marine taxa (Fairhead & Binks, 1991; Jacobs et al., 2009). The origin of the Atlantic Ocean affected the climate, geography and oceanography (Jacobs et al., 2009), establishing barriers to some taxa and facilitating dispersal for others. These barriers involve abiotic gradients (*e.g.*, temperature, salinity, oxygen concentration, nutrients), oceanographic regimes and geomorphological changes. Together or isolated, these changes may have constrained some taxa into an area or into different groups of areas (*i.e.*, disjunct areas).

Dispersal across biogeographic barriers depends on special biological traits that allow a given lineage to explore new habitats and establish new populations (Luiz et al., 2012). Hydroid species may have wide distributions due to the many different strategies of asexual and sexual reproduction, their complex life cycles including the polyp and medusa stages (Gili & Hughes, 1995), and large great capacity to colonize different substrates (Gili & Hughes, 1995; Genzano & Rodriguez, 1998; Migotto et al., 2001; Genzano, 2002; Oliveira & Marques, 2007, 2011). The seasonality and population dynamics of hydroid species (Gili & Hughes, 1995; Bavestrello et al., 2006; Rossi et al., 2012) are influenced by marine biogeographic factors that may represent geographic barriers for the biology of certain species.

Substrate availability can be an important "hard" barrier for benthic species. For example, the abundance, seasonality and reproductive periods of *Clytia gracilis* appear to modulate the seasonal cycles of regression and growth due to environmental conditions (Jaubet & Genzano, 2011). The polyp of this species has a wide distribution, differing from the limited geographical range of the medusae (Cornelius, 1995), and this difference may be caused by its successful asexual reproductive strategy. Asexual reproduction appears to be the main mechanism to maintain these populations because the reproductive cycle also depends on adequate substrates for the recruitment and growth of larvae (Jaubet & Genzano, 2011). Similar patterns occur in other hydroids, in which the geographical range of the polyp does not coincide with that of the medusae (*cf.* Mendoza-Becerril & Marques, 2013).

The knowledge of ecological, oceanographic and historical aspects, in addition to biological and genetic information, are required to determine how and which barriers affect the distribution of marine organisms (Luiz et al., 2012). We suggest that the areas of endemism outlined in this study and their respective barriers may be viewed as initial models to foster further investigation.

FINAL REMARKS

The EA showed a high degree of similarity among the consensus areas of both analyses with different values of F, and this supports the idea that the areas of endemism for the SSA coast and SO are not random. Area 6 (encompassing Magellanic, Antarctic Peninsula and Ross Sea areas; Figure 2; Table 3) is an exception because it resulted only from the analysis with F=1.0; as it is a disjunct area, it has several different biological explanations.

The resulting areas are driven by the ecological and historical aspects of the region in which they occur. Many biogeographic discussions have highlighted both these aspects (Ebach & Humphries, 2003; Morrone, 2004, 2007; Crother & Murray, 2011). However, in the marine realm, history and ecology appear to be far from a more integrative view. Dispersal and vicariance may be recognized in the formation of the areas in this study, as well the particular aspects of the biology of hydroids. In a historical sense, some areas of endemism may have an obscure "endemicity" nature, which may be caused by the high complexity of the marine realm.

Marine variables and systems naturally change over time, modulating population adaptive processes, and consequently, large-scale biogeographic patterns (Harley et al., 2006). The intense

anthropogenic activities in recent centuries are considered to have influenced global climate change, causing phenomena such as global warming and chemical changes in marine systems (Harley et al., 2006; Barnes et al., 2014). Antarctic ecosystems are vulnerable to these changes, and some Antarctic marine areas are already suffering drastic changes in their biotic assemblages (Barnes et al., 2014). Scouring of seabeds is increasing due to the loss of ice shelves and winter sea ice, thus reducing the complexity of marine assemblages, increasing population mortality and downsizing benthic communities (Gutt et al., 1996; Barnes et al., 2014). Upwelling systems, which are fundamental for the maintenance of marine communities in the area (Acha et al., 2004), are also influenced by climate change (Doney et al., 2012; Salvatteci et al., 2014; Sydeman et al., 2014). All these changes certainly modify the biogeographical patterns by affecting the geographic ranges of species (Harley et al., 2006; Barnes et al., 2014) and consequently hampering our understanding of historical areas of endemism.

We discussed our hypotheses of the areas of endemism under the perspective that ecology and history interact, resulting in the present distribution. Considering our current scenario of climate change, the extent to which the historical aspects of marine areas of endemism are still evident and able to be discovered is an open question. We believe our hypotheses must be confronted with additional marine data from the SSA coast and SO and tested through different and integrative biogeographical tools to improve the understanding of their boundaries and composition.

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Figure 1. Consensus areas 1 to 9 resulting from the EA (F=0.5) carried out for 249 species of benthic hydroids from the southern South America (SSA) coast and Southern Ocean (SO).



Figure 2. Consensus areas 1 to 10 resulting from the EA (F=1.0) carried out for 249 species of benthic hydroids from the southern South America (SSA) coast and Southern Ocean (SO).

Table 1. Summary of the results of the EA with the 10°X10° grid carried out for 249 species of benthic hydroids from the southern South America (SSA) coast and Southern Ocean (SO).

Inferred presences	Number of areas	Number of consensus areas	Number of endemic species	Patterns of the consensus areas of endemism
F=0.5	19	9	107	Southwestern Atlantic, South America, South America and Antarctic Peninsula, Patagonia and Antarctic Peninsula, Scotia Arc and Antarctic Peninsula, Magellanic and Antarctic Peninsula.
F=1.0	18	10	112	Southwestern Atlantic, South America, South America and Antarctic Peninsula, Patagonia and Antarctic Peninsula, Scotia Arc and Antarctic Peninsula, Magellanic and Antarctic Peninsula, Magellanic, Antarctic Peninsula and Ross Sea.

Table 2. Consensus areas 1 to 9, number of quadrants, approximate minimum and maximum values of the index of endemicity (IE), and endemic species for the EA with F=0.5 and grid $10^{\circ}X10^{\circ}$ carried out for 249 species of benthic hydroids from the southern South America (SSA) coast and Southern Ocean (SO).

Area	Number of quadrants	IE (min–max)	Number of endemic species	Endemic species	
1	6	7.12–7.37	11	Antarctoscyphus gruzovi, Clathrozoella medeae, Hydrodendron arboreum, Oswaldella elongata, O. shetlandica, Schizotricha unifurcata, Staurotheca cornuta, S. undosiparietina, S. vervoorti, Symplectoscyphus bathyalis, S. curvatus	
2	7	4.39–4.89	8	Clathrozoella medeae, Oswaldella elongata, O. shetlandica, Schizotricha crassa, S. unifurcata, Staurotheca multifurcata, S. undosiparietina, S. vervoorti	
3	8	16.34–17.29	33	Acryptolaria operculata, Aglaophenia acacia, Amphisbetia operculata, Campanularia agas, C. subantarctica, Coryne eximia, Grammaria abietina, Halecium beanii, Halopteris plumosa, Hartlaubella gelatinosa, Hebella striata, Lytocarpia canepa, Oswaldella herwigi, Parascyphus repens, Phialella chilensis, Sertularella antarctica, S. argentinica, S. cruzensis, S. fuegonensis, S. gaudichaudi, S. gayi, S. jorgensis, S. polyzonias, S. robusta, S. sanmatiasensis, Staurotheca jaederholmi, Symplectoscyphus bathyalis, S. exochus, S. frigidus, S. leloupi, S. milneanus, Synthecium protectum, Tulpa tulipifera	
4	6	25.05–35.95	54	Acryptolaria conferta, Aglaophenia acacia, A. latecarinata, Bimeria vestita, Campanularia hincksii, Cladocoryne floccosa, Clytia gracilis, C. linearis, C. noliformis, Coryne eximia, Diphasia tropica, Dynamena crisioides, D. dalmasi, D. disticha, D. quadridentata, Ectopleura crocea, Eudendrium caraiuru, E. carneum, E. ramosum, Grammaria abietina, Halecium beanii, H. bermudense, H. dichotomum, H. dyssymetrum, H. lightbourni, Halopteris polymorpha, Hebella scandens, Hincksella cylindrica, Lafoeina amirantensis, Lytocarpia tridentata, Macrorhynchia philippina, Monostaechas quadridens, Monotheca margaretta, Nemertesia ramosa, Obelia geniculata, Orthopyxis caliculata, Parawrightia robusta, Pennaria disticha, Plumularia insignis, P. strictocarpa, Pycnotheca mirabilis, Scandia mutabilis, Sertularella areyi, S. striata, S. tenella, Settularia distans, S. loculosa, S. marginata, S. tumida, S. turbinata, Synthecium protectum, Turritopsis nutricula, Ventromma halecioides, Zyzzyzus warreni	
5	8	18.79–21.89	42	Acryptolaria conferta, Aglaophenia acacia, Amphisbetia operculata, Bimeria vestita, Campanularia agas, C. hincksii, C. subantarctica, Clytia gracilis, Coryne eximia, Dynamena disticha, Ectopleura crocea, Eudendrium ramosum, Grammaria abietina, Halecium beanii, H. tenellum, Halopteris polymorpha, Hartlaubella gelatinosa, Hebella scandens, Lytocarpia canepa, Monostaechas quadridens, Obelia bidentata, O. dichotoma, O. geniculata, Orthopyxis caliculata, Parascyphus repens, Phialella chilensis, Plumularia setacea, P. strictocarpa, Sertularella argentinica, S. conica, S. cruzensis, S. gaudichaudi, S. gayi, S. polyzonias, S. robusta, S. sanmatiasensis, S. striata, S. tenella, Symplectoscyphus milneanus, Synthecium protectum, Tulpa tulipifera, Ventromma halecioides	
6	8	20.17–20.42	32	Acryptolaria conferta, Aglaophenia acacia, Amphisbetia operculata, Bimeria vestita, Campanularia hincksii, Clytia gracilis, Coryne eximia, Dynamena disticha, Ectopleura crocea, Eudendrium caraiuru, E. ramosum, Grammaria abietina, Halecium beanii, H. tenellum, Halopteris polymorpha, Hebella scandens, Monostaechas quadridens, Nemertesia ramosa, Obelia bidentata, O. dichotoma, O. geniculata, Orthopyxis caliculata, Phialella chilensis, Plumularia setecea, P. strictocarpa, Sertularella conica, S. gaudichaudi, S. polyzonias, S. striata, S. tenella, Synthecium protectum, Ventromma halecioides	
7	5	6.19–6.44	9	Antarctoscyphus gruzovi, Clathrozoella medeae, Hydrodendron arboreum, Oswaldella grandis, O. shetlandica, Staurotheca cornuta, S. undosiparietina, Symplectoscyphus curvatus, S. exochus	
8	4	11.54–11.79	19	Acryptolaria operculata, Antarctoscyphus gruzovi, Campanularia agas, C. subantarctica, Halopteris plumosa, Hebella striata, Hydrodendron arboreum, Lytocarpia canepa, Oswaldella herwigi, O. shetlandica, Parascyphus repens, Sertularella antarctica, S. gayi, S. jorgensis, Staurotheca cornuta, Symplectoscyphus curvatus, Symplectoscyphus exochus, S. frigidus, S. milneanus	
9	4	34.27–36.02	47	Aglaophenia acacia, Aglaophenia latecarinata, A. trifida, Bimeria vestita, Cladocoryne floccosa, Clytia linearis, C. noliformis, Diphasia tropica, Dynamena crisioides, D. dalmasi, D. disticha, D. quadridentata, Eudendrium capillare, E. caraiuru, E. carneum, E. pocaruquarum, E. ramosum, Halecium bermudense, H. dichotomum, H. dyssymetrum, H. lightbourni, Halopteris alternata, H. diaphana, Hebella scandens, Hincksella cylindrica, Lafoeina amirantensis, Lytocarpia tridentata, Macrorhynchia philippina, Monostaechas quadridens, Monotheca margaretta, Nemalecium lighti, Parawrightia robusta, Pennaria disticha, Plumularia floridana, P. strictocarpa, Pycnotheca mirabilis, Scandia mutabilis, Sertularella areyi, S. striata, Sertularia distans, S. loculosa, S. marginata, S. turbinata, Thyroscyphus ramosus, Turritopsis nutricula, Zyzzyzus warreni	

Table 3. Consensus areas 1 to 10, number of quadrants, approximate minimum and maximum values of the index of endemicity (IE), and endemic species for the EA with F=1.0 and grid 10° X10° carried out for 249 species of benthic hydroids from the southern South America (SSA) coast and Southern Ocean (SO).

Area	Number of quadrants	IE (min–max)	Number of endemic species	Endemic species	
1	6	10.46–10.71	11	Antarctoscyphus gruzovi, Clathrozoella medeae, Hydrodendron arboreum, Oswaldella elongata, O. shetlandica, Schizotricha unifurcata, Staurotheca cornuta, S. undosiparietina, S. vervoorti, Symplectoscyphus bathyalis, S. curvatus	
2	9	22.73–24.36	33	Acryptolaria operculata, Aglaophenia acacia, Amphisbetia operculata, Campanularia agas, C. subantarctica, Coryne eximia, Grammaria abietina, Halecium beanii, Halopteris plumosa, Hartlaubella gelatinosa, Hebella striata, Lytocarpia canepa, Oswaldella herwigi, Parascyphus repens, Phialella chilensis, Sertularella antarctica, S. argentinica, S. cruzensis, S. fuegonensis, S. gaudichaudi, S. gayi, S. jorgensis, S. polyzonias, S. robusta, S. sanmatiasensis, Staurotheca jaederholmi, S. bathyalis, S. exochus, S. frigidus, S. leloupi, S. milneanus, Synthecium protectum, Tulpa tulipifera	
3	6	44.23–45.86	54	Acryptolaria conferta, Aglaophenia acacia, A. latecarinata, Bimeria vestita, Campanularia hincksii, Cladocoryne floccosa, Clytia gracilis, C. linearis, C, noliformis, Coryne eximia, Diphasia tropica, Dynamena crisioides, D. dalmasi, D. disticha, D. quadridentata, Ectopleura crocea, Eudendrium caraiuru, E. carneum, E. ramosum, Grammaria abietina, Halecium beanii, H. bermudense, H. dichotomum, H. dyssymetrum, H. lightbourni, Halopteris polymorpha, Hebella scandens, Hincksella cylindrica, Lafoeina amirantensis, Lytocarpia tridentata, Macrorhynchia philippina, Monostaechas quadridens, Monotaecha margaretta, Nemertesia ramosa, Obelia geniculata, Orhtopyxis caliculata, Parawrightia robusta, Pennaria diticha, Plumularia insignis, P. strictocarpa, Pycnotheca mirabilis, Scandia mutabilis, Sertularella areyi, S. striata, S. tenella, Sertularia distans, S. loculosa, S. marginata, S. tumida, S. turbinata, Synthecium protectum, Turritopsis nutricula, Ventromma halecioides, Zyzzyzus warreni	
4	8	6.25–7.25	8	Clathrozoella medeae, Oswaldella elongata, O. shetlandica, Schizotricha crassa, S. unifurcata, Staurotheca multifurcata, S. undosiparietina, S. vervoorti	
5	8	26.00–29.80	42	Acryptolaria conferta, Aglaophenia acacia, Amphisbetia operculata, Bimeria vestita, Campanularia agas, C. hincksii, C. subantarctica, Clytia gracilis, Coryne eximia, Dynamena disticha, Ectopleura crocea, Eudendrium ramosum, Grammaria abietina, Halecium beanii, H. tenellum, Halopteris polymorpha, Hartlaubella gelatinosa, Hebella scandens, Lytocarpia canepa, Monostaechas quadridens, Obelia bidentata, O. dichotoma, O. geniculata, Orthopyxis caliculata, Parascyphus repens, Phialella chilensis, Plumularia setacea, P. strictocarpa, Sertularella argentinica, S. conica, S. cruzensis, S. gaudichaudi, S. gayi, S. polyzonias, S. robusta, S. sanmatiasensis, S. striata, S. tenella, Symplectoscyphus milneanus, Synthecium protectum, Tulpa tulipifera, Ventromma halecioides	
6	5	3.75-4.00	4	Oswaldella blanconae, Phialella belgicae, Symplectoscyphus anae, S. nesioticus	
7	9	27.25–27.50	32	Acryptolaria conferta, Aglaophenia acacia, Amphisbetia operculata, Bimeria vestita, Campanularia hincksii, Clytia gracilis, Coryne eximia, Dynamena disticha, Ectopleura crocea, Eudendrium caraiuru, E. ramosum, Grammaria abietina, Halecium beanii, H. tenellum, Halopteris polymorpha, Hebella scandens, Monostaechas quadridens, Nemertesia ramosa, Obelia bidentata, O. dichotoma, O. geniculata, Orthopyxis caliculata, Phialella chilensis, Plumularia setecea, P. strictocarpa, Sertularella conica, S. gaudichaudi, S. polyzonias, S. striata, S. tenella, Synthecium protectum, Ventromma halecioides	
8	5	8.57–8.82	9	Antarctoscyphus gruzovi, Clathrozoella medeae, Hydrodendron arboreum, Oswaldella grandis, O. shetlandica, Staurotheca cornuta, S. undosiparietina, Symplectoscyphus curvatus, S. exochus	
9	5	16.00–16.25	20	Acryptolaria operculata, Antarctoscyphus gruzovi, Campanularia agas, Campanularia subantarctica, Halopteris plumosa, Hebella striata, Hydrodendron arboreum, Lytocarpia canepa, Oswaldella herwigi, O. shetlandica, Parascyphus repens, Sertularella antarctica, S. gayi, S. jorgensis, Staurotheca cornuta, Symplectoscyphus bathyalis, Symplectoscyphus curvatus, S. exochus, S. frigidus, S. milneanus	
10	4	42.60-42.85	47	Aglaophenia acacia, A. latecarinata, A. trifida, Bimeria vestita, Cladocoryne floccosa, Clytia linearis, C. noliformis, Diphasia tropica, Dynamena crisioides, D. dalmasi, D. disticha, D. quadridentata, Eudendrium capillare, E. caraiuru, E. carneum, E. pocaruquarum, E. ramosum, Halecium bermudense, H. dichotomum, H. dyssymetrum, H. lightbourni, Halpteris alternata, H. diaphana, Hebella scandens, Hincksella cylindrica, Lafoeina amirantensis, Lytocarpia tridentata, Macrorhynchia philippina, Monostaechas quadridens, Monotheca margaretta, Nemalecium lighti, Parawrightia robusta, Pennaria disticha, Plumularia floridana, P. strictocarpa, Pycnotheca mirabilis, Scandia mutabilis, Sertularella areyi, S. striata, Sertularia distans, S. loculosa, S. marginata, S. tumida, S. turbinata, Thyroscyphus ramosus, Turritopsis nutricula, Zyzzyzus warreni	

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Table 4. Comparison between the consensus areas of endemism hypothesized by the EA (F=0.5 and F=1.0) of benthic hydroid species from the southern South America (SSA) coast and Southern Ocean (SO) and the previous hypotheses of areas of endemism for the Southwestern Atlantic Ocean (SWAO) and SO proposed by Marques & Peña Cantero (2010), Miranda et al., 2013, and Miranda et al., unpublished. The consensus areas of endemism proposed in this study for the SSA coast and SO are shown in Figures 1 and 2, and their respective species compositions are shown in Tables 2 and 3.

Consensus areas of endemism	Areas of endemism previously delimited for the SSA coast and SO					
hypothesized for the SSA coast and SO	Miranda et al. unpublished	Marques & Peña Cantero (2010)	Miranda et al., 2013			
Scotia Arc and Antarctic Peninsula (areas 1, 2, F=0.5; 1, 4, F=1.0)	_	Magellanic Zone, Antarctic Peninsula Zone	Areas I–III, V, VI			
Patagonia and Antarctic Peninsula (area 3, F=0.5; 2, F=1.0)	Uruguayan-Argentinean (set 4, 10–12, 15, F=0.5; set 4, 10–12, F=1.0), disjunct areas along Brazil, Uruguay, and Argentina (set 6, 13, F=0.5)	Magellanic Zone, Antarctic Peninsula Zone	Areas I–III, V, VI			
Southwestern Atlantic (areas 4, 9, F=0.5; 3, 10, F=1.0)	Brazilian (set 0–3, 5, 7–9, 14, F=0.5; set 0–3, 5–9, F=1.0), Uruguayan-Argentinean (set 4, 10–12, 15, F=0.5; set 4, 10–12, F=1.0), disjunct areas along Brazil, Uruguay, and Argentina (set 6, 13, F=0.5)	_	-			
South America and Antarctic Peninsula (area 5, F=0.5 and F=1.0)	Brazilian (set 0–3, 5, 7–9, 14, F=0.5; set 0–3, 5–9, F=1.0), Uruguayan-Argentinean (set 4, 10–12, 15, F=0.5; set 4, 10–12, F=1.0), disjunct areas along Brazil, Uruguay, and Argentina (set 6, 13, F=0.5)	Magellanic Zone, Antarctic Peninsula Zone	Areas I–III, V, VI			
South America (area 6, F=0.5; 7, F=1.0)	Brazilian (set 0–3, 5, 7–9, 14, F=0.5; set 0–3, 5–9, F=1.0), Uruguayan-Argentinean (set 4, 10–12, 15, F=0.5; set 4, 10–12, F=1.0), disjunct areas along Brazil, Uruguay, and Argentina (set 6, 13, F=0.5)	_	_			
Magellanic and Antarctic Peninsula (areas 7, 8, F=0.5; 8, 9, F=1.0)	_	Magellanic Zone, Antarctic Peninsula Zone	Areas I–III, V, VI			
Magellanic, Antarctic Peninsula and Ross Sea (area 6, F=1.0)	_	Magellanic Zone, Antarctic Peninsula Zone, Western High Antarctica Zone	Areas I–III, V, VI–VIII			

Appendix 1. List of the species used in the endemicity analysis (EA) for a grid 10°X10° with 249 species of benthic hydroids from the southern South America (SSA) coast and Southern Ocean (SO). The geographical coordinates of the species occurrence are ordinated as "longitude latitude".

1. Abietinella operculata: 170.5700 -72.3000; 93.0150 -66.5489; 171.6670 -71.2670; -56.1580 -61.3170; -62.6080 -63.8420; 171.6670 -71.2670; 170.4250 -72.3080; 171.4580 -73.5330; 171.6670 -71.2670; -63.8330 -54.6500; -63.5830 -53.9000; -66.2830 -55.7830; -58.7000 -54.0330; -59.5170 -53.0830; -75.0000 -52.9330; -75.3000 -52.8670; -56.9830 -54.6830; -56.1670 -62.6500; -57.0830 -54.6670; -64.0670 -54.7820; -64.1530 -54.9200; -65.8330 -54.5670; -64.7000 -54.3670; -64.8830 -54.9830; 2. Acryptolaria conferta: -49.5250 -31.1280; -48.6660 -31.3330; -37.5880 -22.3820; -50.5100 -43.5500; -66.3170 -56.1000; -59.5170 -53.0830; -66.3170 -56.1000; -64.1530 -54.9200; -57.0830 -54.6670; 3. Acryptolaria longitheca: -74.6000 -48.1500; 4. Acryptolaria minuta: -67.9830 -57.1420; 5. Acryptolaria operculata: -66.3170 -56.1000; -57.0830 -54.6670; -64.8830 -54.9830; -64.1530 -54.9200; -59.5170 -53.0830; -55.5000 -54.7170; **6.** Aglaophenia acacia: -53.0830 -35.0000; -53.1000 -35.0000; -57.2270 -38.0880; -53.2500 -34.7500; -54.7500 -35.7500; -54.7500 -36.2500; -55.7500 -36.7500; -54.7500 -36.7500; -56.2500 -37.2500; -56.7500 -37.7500; -57.2500 -38.2500; -57.5000 -38.1500; -58.5800 -38.4800; -60.2500 -40.2500; -61.7500 -41.2500; -64.0000 -42.2000; -64.7500 -41.2700; -65.0000 -41.2300; -64.0000 -42.0000; -54.1410 -34.6620; -53.7940 -34.4040; -64.3300 -42.3280; 7. 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Capítulo 4. Southern Ocean areas of endemism: a reanalysis using benthic hydroids (Cnidaria, Hydrozoa)

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Abstract

The biogeographic history of the Southern Ocean (SO) fauna is complex and poorly studied, especially the areas of endemism. We reanalyzed the data of Marques & Peña Cantero (2010), along with other geographical records of endemic benthic hydroids below 45°S. A Parsimony Analysis of Endemicity (PAE) based on 5° latitude by 5° longitude matrix with 61 species resulted in eight areas of endemism. We discuss these results in the context of different hypotheses of the evolution of the SO fauna and previously proposed biogeography patterns.

SHORT COMMUNICATION

Marine polar regions are often considered to have low biodiversity, a pattern generally thought to be associated with extreme abiotic factors (Clarke & Crame, 1992). However, several studies on biodiversity, biogeography and paleontology of polar regions (*e.g.*, Beu et al., 1997; Clarke & Johnston, 2003; Adey et al., 2008) revealed greater than expected biodiversity, particularly for the Southern Ocean (SO; *viz.*, Clarke & Johnston, 2003).

The SO is a unique oceanographic system in which the Antarctic Circumpolar Current (ACC) dominates (Barker & Thomas, 2004) and moves around the southern seas with no continental barriers. The ACC originated with the opening of the Drake Passage (*ca.* 30 Ma), thereby causing biogeographically and thermal isolation of the SO (Lawver & Gahagan, 2003). This, in turn, contributed to the isolation and development of endemic marine fauna (Clarke & Crame, 1989; Beu et al., 1997; Barker & Thomas, 2004; Clarke et al., 2004).

On the other hand, there are historical similarities of the Antarctic fauna to those from northern regions (Cañete et al., 1999; Yasuhara et al., 2007; Kaiser et al., 2011), mainly in the Antarctic Peninsula and the subantarctic region of South America (Clarke & Johnston, 2003; Clarke et al., 2005). The connection between both continents is through the Scotia Arc, and since it will have influenced dispersal of their marine fauna, we may question exactly how isolated was the SO (Clarke et al., 2005).

Thus, several hypotheses have been proposed to explain the origin of the SO fauna: (H1) evolution *in situ*, (H2) derivation from adjacent deep-water basins, (H3) dispersal from South America through the Scotia Arc, and (H4) dispersal from Antarctica through the Scotia Arc (*cf.*, Knox & Lowry, 1977). These not mutually-independent hypotheses are partially supported by fauna and geography and have been contrasted with abiotic factors of the SO (*viz.*, Beu et al., 1997; Cañete et al., 1999; Yasuhara et al., 2007; Kaiser et al., 2011).

Theoretical and practical frameworks concerning areas of endemism (*cf.* Harold & Mooi, 1994; Morrone, 1994; Szumik et al., 2002) are complicated in marine biogeography. The tridimensional nature of the marine realm, the dynamics of currents and

oceanic fronts, the difficulties to establish thresholds in ecophysiological continuums and the amazingly diverse strategies of dispersal, all make for a unique definition of areas, or "volumes,"

of endemism (see Miranda & Marques, 2011). Clearly, this will also be an issue in the SO, and in which few studies examine the origin and evolution of all marine organisms, not just endemics (*e.g.*, Clayton, 1994; Brandt, 1999; Clarke et al., 2004).

The hydroids – benthic hydrozoans of the orders Anthoathecata and Leptothecata (cf. Marques & Collins, 2004; Collins et al., 2006) – provide an example with many endemics in the SO (Peña Cantero, 2012). For example, a Parsimony Analysis of Endemicity (PAE) for the endemic SO genus Oswaldella (a single study using strict endemicity analysis) suggested four areas of endemism: (1) Magellanic Zone, (2) Antarctic Peninsula Zone, (3) Western High Antarctica Zone and (4) Eastern High Antarctica Zone (Marques & Peña Cantero, 2010). In another PAE for the SO, we used additional geographic data of endemic benthic hydroids to test previous hypotheses and to better understand the biogeography of the SO. We used a matrix of 5° latitude by 5° longitude and geographic records of 61 species of the genera Antarctoscyphus, Mixoscyphus, Oswaldella and Staurotheca (Table 1). PAE was carried out following Marques & Peña Cantero (2010), but using semistrict consensus trees. Eight areas of endemism were found for the SO, concentrated in the Magellan region, the Antarctic Peninsula, the subantarctic islands, the Ross Sea, the Weddell Sea and Wilkes Land (Figures 1, 2).

Areas I, II and V (Figures 1, 2) are similar to the previously mentioned Magellanic and Antarctic Peninsula zones (Marques & Peña Cantero, 2010). These areas began with the ACC as a system of deep eastward currents connecting the Magellan region and Scotia Arc to the Weddell Sea, Queen Maud Land and Wilkes Land (Beu et al., 1997; Lawver & Gahagan, 2003; Marques & Peña Cantero, 2010). These currents caused dispersal towards Queen Maud Land (Marques & Peña Cantero, 2010), thereby supporting the third hypothesis of a South American origin for the SO fauna (Knox & Lowry, 1977). Areas of endemism I, III, V and VI (Figures 1, 2) coincide with the Scotia Arc of Marques & Peña Cantero (2010), and may be a transitional region for dispersal events of species distributed both in the Antarctic Peninsula and in the Magellan region (Peña Cantero et al., 1997; Peña Cantero & Vervoort, 2003, 2004 - except the monotypic genus Mixoscyphus, which is exclusively in Antarctica (cf. Peña Cantero & Vervoort, 2005). These areas support the previously mentioned third and fourth hypotheses (Knox & Lowry, 1977). Nonetheless, this does not refute the hypothesis that vicariance influenced the isolation of the Magellanic (e.g., area V, Figures 1, 2) from the Antarctic Peninsula (areas I and II, Figures 1, 2). Thus, evolution in situ (hypothesis H1) may have also occurred with a fauna derived from the adjacent deepwater basin (hypothesis H2; cf. Knox & Lowry, 1977). Other areas of endemism (I, IV, VI to VIII; Figures 1, 2) coincide with the Western High Antarctica Zone and Eastern High Antarctica Zone (Marques & Peña Cantero, 2010), and may be due to variations in depth, present oceanic currents and paleocurrents of the SO (Marques & Peña Cantero, 2010).

These results are coherent in part with ecological areas based on earlier informal biogeographic analyses (Hedgpeth, 1969; Briggs, 1974; Spalding et al., 2007). But, these results agree completely with previously hypothesized areas of endemism (Marques & Peña Cantero, 2010, *cf.* their Figure 2), but now with more detail and defined subregions of those areas. These subregions suggest specific microhabitats for the benthic hydroid fauna of the SO that may be derived from dispersal or vicariant events.

If dispersal, then this suggests the formation of microhabitats, as a consequence of different strategies of larvae transportation, such as rafting of incrusting biota (*e.g.*, on algae, wood) and oceanographic mechanisms (*e.g.*, vortices and oceanic fronts). Both of these mechanisms are important for transportation of subantarctic/Antarctic plankton and benthos (including larvae of benthic or epipelagic organisms) along the southern polar region. If vicariance, historical and

ecological barriers may have involved continental drift and climatic changes over time. Nevertheless, vicariance does not imply the absence of dispersal in the formation of the SO benthic hydroid fauna.

Considering the evolutionary history of the SO, an important question to be answered is how important were the intensity and periodicity of changes in sea level and ice (both in extent and quantity) in causing the depth and occupation of habitats along the Antarctic continental shelf (Clarke & Crame, 1989; Clarke et al., 2004). These phenomena influence marine areas of endemism because they contribute to the formation of new habitats and the availability of ecological niches, which in turn may alter the geographic distribution of the species. The SO biota has a complex evolutionary history associated with dispersal, vicariance and subsequent processes of oceanic restructuring. The use of different data sets and multiple evolutionary hypotheses will increase the explanatory power for understanding the peculiar processes leading to endemism and biogeographic patterns in the SO realm.

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Figure 1. Semistrict consensus of the PAE in the 5°X5° matrix grid. Codes I to VIII indicate the resultant areas of endemism. Colors are as in Figure 2.



Figure 2. Areas of endemism from PAE for the 5°X5° matrix grid. Colors indicate monophyletic groups delimited in the semistrict consensus from Figure 1 and the same for the clades in Figure 1.

Table 1. List of the 61 species of benthic hydroids used in PAE and quadrants in which they are present.

Species	Quadrant
Antarctoscyphus admirabilis	70-75°S, 5-10°W
Antarctoscyphus asymmetricus	55-60°S, 25-30°W; 50-55°S, 35-40°W; 50-55°S, 40-45°W; 60-65°S, 45-50°W; 60-65°S, 50- 55°W; 60-65°S, 55-60°W; 60-65°S, 60-65°W; 65-70°S, 90-95°W
Antarctoscyphus elongatus	65-70°S, 5-10°W; 70-75°S, 5-10°W; 70-75°S, 10-15°W; 70-75°S, 20-25°W; 55-60°S, 25- 30°W; 70-75°S, 25-30°W; 75-80°S, 25-30°W; 50-55°S, 35-40°W; 55-60°S, 35-40°W; 50-55°S, 40-45°W; 75-80°S, 45-50°W; 60-65°S, 50-55°W; 75-80°S, 50-55°W; 60-65°S, 55-60°W; 60-65°S, 60-65°W; 65-70°S, 60-65°W; 70-75°S, 60-65°W; 65-70°S, 65-70°W; 70-75°S, 95- 100°W; 75-80°S, 165-170°W; 50-55°S, 0-5°E; 45-50°S, 65-70°E; 65-70°S, 110-115°E; 65- 70°S, 135-140°E; 65-70°S, 140-145°E; 75-80°S, 165-170°E; 70-75°S, 170-175°E
Antarctoscyphus encarnae	60-65°S, 55-60°W
Antarctoscyphus fragilis	70-75°S, 25-30°W
Antarctoscyphus grandis	70-75°S, 5-10°W; 70-75°S, 10-15°W; 70-75°S, 20-25°W; 55-60°S, 25-30°W; 50-55°S, 35- 40°W; 60-65°S, 50-55°W; 70-75°S, 50-55°W; 75-80°S, 50-55°W; 60-65°S, 55-60°W; 60-65°S, 60-65°W; 65-70°S, 90-95°W; 75-80°S, 175-180°W; 65-70°S, 135-140°E; 65-70°S, 140-145°E; 70-75°S, 170-175°E
Antarctoscyphus gruzovi	60-65°S, 50-55°W; 60-65°S, 55-60°W
Antarctoscyphus mawsoni	55-60°S, 25-30°W; 60-65°S, 50-55°W; 60-65°S, 55-60°W; 60-65°S, 60-65°W; 65-70°S, 65- 70°W; 70-75°S, 175-180°W; 65-70°S, 140-145°E; 70-75°S, 170-175°E
Antarctoscyphus spiralis	65-70°S, 5-10°W; 70-75°S, 10-15°W; 70-75°S, 20-25°W; 55-60°S, 25-30°W; 75-80°S, 25- 30°W; 50-55°S, 35-40°W; 60-65°S, 40-45°W; 75-80°S, 45-50°W; 60-65°S, 50-55°W; 75-80°S, 50-55°W; 60-65°S, 55-60°W; 60-65°S, 60-65°W; 65-70°S, 60-65°W; 70-75°S, 60-65°W; 65-70°S, 85-90°W; 65-70°S, 90-95°W; 70-75°S, 95-100°W; 75-80°S, 170-175°W; 70-75°S, 175-180°W; 75-80°S, 175-180°W; 50-55°S, 0-5°E; 65-70°S, 135-140°E; 65-70°S, 140-145°E; 65-70°S, 160-165°E; 70-75°S, 165-170°E; 75-80°S, 165-170°E; 70-75°S, 170-175°E; 70- 75°S, 175-180°E
Mixoscyphus antarcticus	60-65°S, 60-65°W
Oswaldella antarctica	50-55°S, 55-60°W; 60-65°S, 55-60°W; 65-70°S, 90-95°W; 65-70°S, 135-140°E; 65-70°S, 140-145°E
Oswaldella bifurca	75-80°S, 55-60°W; 70-75°S, 60-65°W; 75-80°S, 160-165°W; 70-75°S, 175-180°W; 75-80°S, 175-180°W; 65-70°S, 160-165°E; 70-75°S, 170-175°E
Oswaldella billardi	75-80°S, 30-35°W; 65-70°S, 90-95°E; 65-70°S, 110-115°E; 65-70°S, 135-140°E; 65-70°S, 140-145°E
Oswaldella blanconae	60-65°S, 60-65°W; 70-75°S, 170-175°E
Oswaldella crassa	60-65°S, 55-60°W
Oswaldella curiosa	60-65°S, 55-60°W
Oswaldella delicata	60-65°S, 50-55°W; 70-75°S, 50-55°W; 75-80°S, 50-55°W; 60-65°S, 55-60°W; 75-80°S, 55- 60°W; 60-65°S, 60-65°W; 75-80°S, 165-170°W
Oswaldella elongata	50-55°S, 30-35°W; 50-55°S, 35-40°W; 50-55°S, 50-55°W
Oswaldella encarnae	75-80°S, 45-50°W; 75-80°S, 50-55°W; 75-80°S, 55-60°W
Oswaldella erratum	50-55°S, 0-5°W; 70-75°S, 5-10°W; 70-75°S, 10-15°W; 70-75°S, 15-20°W; 70-75°S, 20-25°W; 55-60°S, 25-30°W; 70-75°S, 25-30°W; 75-80°S, 25-30°W; 75-80°S, 30-35°W; 60-65°S, 50-55°W; 70-75°S, 50-55°W; 60-65°S, 55-60°W; 60-65°S, 60-65°W; 65-70°S, 65-70°W; 50-55°S, 0-5°E; 65-70°S, 10-15°E
Oswaldella frigida	60-65°S, 55-60°W; 60-65°S, 60-65°W

Oswaldella garciacarrascosai	75-80°S, 50-55°W
Oswaldella gracilis	75-80°S, 55-60°W
Oswaldella grandis	75-80°S, 45-50°W; 75-80°S, 50-55°W; 60-65°S, 55-60°W; 60-65°S, 60-65°W
Oswaldella herwigi	50-55°S, 55-60°W; 50-55°S, 70-75°W
Oswaldella incognita	55-60°S, 40-45°W; 60-65°S, 55-60°W; 60-65°S, 60-65°W; 65-70°S, 160-165°W
Oswaldella laertesi	70-75°S, 170-175°E
Oswaldella medeae	60-65°S, 50-55°W; 70-75°S, 175-180°W; 70-75°S, 175-180°E
Oswaldella monomammillata	60-65°S, 50-55°W
Oswaldella niobae	60-65°S, 55-60°W
Oswaldella obscura	70-75°S, 5-10°W; 70-75°S, 20-25°W; 75-80°S, 45-50°W
Oswaldella rigida	70-75°S, 5-10°W; 70-75°S, 10-15°W; 70-75°S, 15-20°W; 70-75°S, 20-25°W; 75-80°S, 25- 30°W
Oswaldella shetlandica	55-60°S, 40-45°W; 60-65°S, 50-55°W; 60-65°S, 55-60°W; 50-55°S, 60-65°W; 55-60°S, 60- 65°W; 60-65°S, 60-65°W; 65-70°S, 60-65°W
Oswaldella stepanjantsae	70-75°S, 5-10°W; 70-75°S, 10-15°W; 60-65°S, 50-55°W; 60-65°S, 55-60°W; 60-65°S, 60- 65°W; 75-80°S, 170-175°W; 65-70°S, 110-115°E; 65-70°S, 160-165°E; 75-80°S, 165-170°E; 70-75°S, 170-175°E; 70-75°S, 175-180°E
Oswaldella terranovae	70-75°S, 170-175°E
Oswaldella tottoni	70-75°S, 10-15°W; 75-80°S, 160-165°E
Oswaldella vervoorti	55-60°S, 40-45°W; 60-65°S, 55-60°W; 60-65°S, 60-65°W; 50-55°S, 0-5°E
Staurotheca abyssalis	55-60°S, 55-60°W
Staurotheca affinis	50-55°S, 35-40°W
Staurotheca amphorophora	50-55°S, 35-40°W; 50-55°S, 40-45°W
Staurotheca antarctica	70-75°S, 0-5°W; 70-75°S, 10-15°W; 70-75°S, 15-20°W; 75-80°S, 25-30°W; 50-55°S, 35- 40°W; 75-80°S, 45-50°W; 75-80°S, 50-55°W; 60-65°S, 55-60°W; 60-65°S, 60-65°W; 65-70°S, 60-65°W; 65-70°S, 65-70°W; 50-55°S, 70-75°W; 65-70°S, 70-75°S, 80-85°W; 75- 80°S, 160-165°W; 75-80°S, 170-175°W; 70-75°S, 175-180°W; 75-80°S, 175-180°W; 65-70°S, 5-10°E; 65-70°S, 10-15°E; 65-70°S, 110-115°E; 65-70°S, 135-140°E; 65-70°S, 140-145°E; 75-80°S, 165-170°E; 70-75°S, 170-175°E
Staurotheca australis	65-70°S, 5-10°E; 65-70°S, 10-15°E
Staurotheca compressa	55-60°S, 25-30°W; 60-65°S, 50-55°W; 55-60°S, 55-60°W; 60-65°S, 55-60°W; 60-65°S, 60- 65°W; 65-70°S, 140-145°W; 65-70°S, 160-165°W; 65-70°S, 140-145°E; 65-70°S, 160-165°E; 70-75°S 165-170°E
Staurotheca cornuta	60-65°S, 45-50°W; 60-65°S, 55-60°W
Staurotheca densa	60-65°S, 50-55°W; 60-65°S, 55-60°W; 60-65°S, 60-65°W; 65-70°S, 160-165°W; 70-75°S, 170-175°E; 70-75°S, 175-180°E
Staurotheca dichotoma	70-75°S, 5-10°W; 55-60°S, 25-30°W; 70-75°S, 25-30°W; 50-55°S, 30-35°W; 55-60°S, 30- 35°W; 50-55°S, 35-40°W; 50-55°S, 40-45°W; 60-65°S, 45-50°W; 60-65°S, 55-60°W; 60-65°S, 60-65°W; 70-75°S, 80-85°W; 65-70°S, 90-95°W; 75-80°S, 170-175°W; 70-75°S, 175-180°W; 50-55°S, 0-5°E; 65-70°S, 5-10°E; 65-70°S, 10-15°E; 45-50°S, 35-40°E; 65-70°S, 160-165°E; 75-80°S, 160-165°E; 75-80°S, 165-170°E; 70-75°S, 170-175°E
Staurotheca echinocarpa	45-50°S, 65-70°E; 45-50°S, 70-75°E

Staurotheca frigida	70-75°S, 5-10°W; 70-75°S, 10-15°W; 70-75°S, 20-15°W; 55-60°S, 25-30°W; 50-55°S, 30- 35°W; 55-60°S, 30-35°W; 50-55°S, 35-40°W; 55-60°S, 35-40°W; 50-55°S, 40-45°W; 60-65°S, 40-45°W; 60-65°S, 45-50°W; 60-65°S, 60-65°W; 65-70°S, 65-70°W; 75-80°S, 160-165°W; 65-70°S, 5-10°E; 65-70°S, 110-115°E; 70-75°S, 170-175°E
Staurotheca glomulosa	70-75°S, 0-5°W; 70-75°S, 10-15°W; 70-75°S, 20-25°W; 55-60°S, 25-30°W; 50-55°S, 35- 40°W; 60-65°S, 40-45°W; 75-80°S, 50-55°W; 60-65°S, 55-60°W; 60-65°S, 60-65°W; 65-70°S, 60-65°W; 65-70°S, 70-75°W; 65-70°S, 160-165°W; 75-80°S, 160-165°W; 75-80°S, 175- 180°W; 65-70°S, 0-5°E; 65-70°S, 5-10°E; 65-70°S, 10-15°E; 65-70°S, 110-115°E; 65-70°S, 160-165°E; 70-75°S, 170-175°E; 70-75°S, 175-180°E
Staurotheca jaderholmi	50-55°S, 50-55°W; 50-55°S, 55-60°W; 50-55°S, 60-65°W; 50-55°S, 65-70°W; 50-55°S, 70- 75°W; 50-55°S, 75-80°W; 60-65°S, 90-95°W; 65-70°S, 135-140°E; 65-70°S, 140-145°E
Staurotheca juncea	70-75°S, 95-100°W
Staurotheca multifurcata	55-60°S, 25-30°W; 50-55°S, 30-35°W; 55-60°S, 30-35°W; 50-55°S, 35-40°W; 55-60°S, 35- 40W; 50-55°S, 40-45°W
Staurotheca nonscripta	70-75°S, 0-5°W; 70-75°S, 5-10°W; 70-75°S, 10-15°W; 60-65°S, 55-60°W; 75-80°S, 60-65°W; 75-80°S, 165-170°W; 75-80°S, 170-175°W; 65-70°S, 0-5°E; 65-70°S, 5-10°E; 65-70°S, 10- 15°E; 75-80°S, 160-165°E; 70-75°S, 165-170°E; 75-80°S, 165-170°E; 70-75°S, 170-175°E
Staurotheca pachyclada	70-75°S, 5-10°W; 70-75°S, 10-15°W; 70-75°S, 20-25°W; 55-60°S, 25-30°W; 75-80°S, 25- 30°W; 60-65°S, 50-55°W; 60-65°S, 55-60°W; 60-65°S, 60-65°W; 65-70°S, 160-165°W; 75- 80°S, 160-165°W; 75-80°S, 175-180°W; 70-75°S, 170-175°E
Staurotheca plana	70-75°S, 5-10°W; 70-75°S, 10-15°W
Staurotheca polarsteni	70-75°S, 10-15°W; 70-75°S, 15-20°W; 70-75°S, 20-25°W; 75-80°S, 25-30°W; 70-75°S, 30- 35°W; 60-65°S, 60-65°W; 65-70°S, 0-5°E; 65-70°S, 5-10°E; 65-70°S, 10-15°E
Staurotheca profunda	50-55S 55-60W
Staurotheca stolonifera	70-75°S, 5-10°W; 70-75°S, 80-85°W
Staurotheca undosiparietina	50-55°S, 30-35°W; 50-55°S, 35-40°W; 50-55°S, 40-45°W; 60-65°S, 50-55°W; 60-65°S, 55- 60°W
Staurotheca vanhoeffeni	70-75°S, 0-5°W; 70-75°S, 5-10°W; 70-75°S, 10-15°W; 60-65°S, 50-55°W; 60-65°S, 55-60°W; 60-65°S, 60-65°W; 65-70°S, 5-10°E; 50-55°S, 70-75°E; 70-75°S, 170-175°E
Staurotheca vervoorti	50-55°S, 30-35°W; 50-55°S, 55-60°W

Capítulo 5. Considerações finais

A costa austral da América do Sul (CAAS) e o oceano Austral (OA) possuem enorme diversidade de habitats com diferentes características abióticas (Boltovskoy, 1981; Silva & Palma, 2006; Silva, 2008; Genzano et al., 2009; Waller et al., 2011; Chown, 2012; Grange & Smith, 2013). Ambas as áreas eram historicamente conectadas até que a passagem de Drake abriu-se há *ca*. 30 milhões de anos, separando a península antártica e a América do Sul (Barker & Burrell, 1977; Beu et al., 1997; Lawver & Gahagan, 2003; Clarke et al., 2005). Essa separação criou um sistema oceanográfico de correntes que isolou térmica e biogeograficamente o continente antártico, proporcionando o desenvolvimento de uma fauna altamente endêmica na região (Barker & Burrell, 1977; Clarke & Crame, 1989; Beu et al., 1997; Lawver & Gahagan, 2003; Barker & Thomas, 2004; Clarke et al., 2004).

Similaridades e correspondências entre as faunas marinhas de CAAS e OA têm sido melhor documentadas (*e.g.*, Cañete et al., 1999; Peña Cantero & García Carrascosa, 1999; Clarke & Johnston, 2003; Clarke et al., 2005; Yasuhara et al., 2007; Marques & Peña Cantero, 2010; Kaiser et al., 2011; Miranda et al., 2013), tornando essa região geográfica um modelo interessante com relação aos fatores que influenciaram sua história evolutiva (Clarke et al., 2004). A alta diversidade bentônica de CAAS e OA (Clarke & Crame, 1992; De Broyer & Rauschert, 1999; Peña Cantero & García Carrascosa, 1999; Clarke et al., 2004; Giberto et al., 2004; Peña Cantero, 2004; Gappa et al., 2006; Brandt et al., 2007; Galea et al., 2007; Schejter & Bremec, 2007; Yasuhara et al., 2007; Clarke, 2008; Genzano et al., 2011; Kaiser et al., 2013; Marques et al., 2013; Oliveira et al., in press), associada à sua história geológica e oceanográfica e a alta diversidade de habitats, a torna uma modelo para o desenvolvimento de estudos básicos em biogeografia, tais como a delimitação de áreas de endemismo.

Neste estudo, os hidroides bentônicos (exceto hidrocorais), um grupo com boa representatividade e sucesso de sobrevivência no bentos marinho, foi usado para estudar os padrões de endemismo da CAAS e OA. No total, 359 morfoespécies de hidroides bentônicos foram levantadas para a área de estudo, sendo 3 delas (*?Nemertesia ciliata, Sertularella leiocarpa, Zygophylax sibogae*) novos registros para o sudoeste do Atlântico. Dessas espécies, 256 foram identificadas até o nível específico, 40 até gênero, 44 têm o status taxonômico duvidoso e 19 não puderam ser identificadas devido a sua condição morfológica precária. Das 256 espécies, 54% são endêmicas para a CAAS e SO, sendo a maioria Leptothecata (92%).

A maior riqueza de espécies foi registrada para o sudoeste do Atlântico (73% do total de espécies). Com relação à distribuição horizontal e vertical, as espécies estão relativamente bem distribuídas ao longo da CAAS e SO, sendo a maior parte das espécies encontradas até 200m de profundidade. Exceções são as espécies de "Anthoathecata", as quais concentraram-se mais nas áreas tropicais e as espécies de Sertulariidae, Kirchenpaueriidae, Schizotrichidae, Lafoeidae e Plumulariidae, que foram mais frequentes em zonas mais profundas (>200m). Com relação ao substrato, os hidroides bentônicos caracterizaram-se pela predominância de espécies generalistas, sendo a maior parte encontrada em substratos naturais.

As análises de similaridade de fauna por "clusters" e nMDS resultaram em 13 assembleias de hidroides bentônicos, sendo clara a separação entre a CAAS e OA. A Análise de Endemicidade (AE) feita pelo software NDM-VNDM encontrou 9 (F=0,5) e 10 (F=1,0) áreas consensuais de endemismo, com 107 e 112 espécies endêmicas no total, respectivamente. Os padrões de endemismo incluem composições únicas de hidroides bentônicos, concentrando-se principalmente em oito regiões: (1) sudoeste do Atlântico, (2) América do Sul, (3) América do Sul e Península

Antártica, (4) Patagônia e Península Antártica, (5) Arco de Scotia e Península Antártica, (6) região Magalhânica e Península Antártica, (7) região Magalhânica e (8) Península Antártica e Mar de Ross. Esses padrões de endemismo podem ser explicados tanto por processos dispersivos quanto vicariantes. Algumas "áreas de endemismo" tiveram seu conceito de endemicidade questionado e discutido em relação a aspectos de biogeografia ecológica.

As assembleias e as áreas de endemismo de CAAS e OA resultantes tiveram seus padrões comparados a aspectos oceanográficos e outros padrões biogeográficos (ecológicos e históricos) previamente delimitados para a região (Spalding et al., 2007; Marques & Peña Cantero, 2010; Miranda et al., 2013; Miranda et al., não publicado). Por outro lado, a Análise de Parcimônia de Endemicidade (PAE) foi realizadas com 61 hidroides bentônicos endêmicos da região acima dos 45°S dos oceanos Atlântico e Austral. Essa análise resultou em oito áreas de endemismo para a região subantártica e antártica, corroborando padrões gerais previamente encontrados por Marques & Peña Cantero (2010), mas definindo as subregiões com maior grau de acurácia (*viz.*, Miranda et al., 2013).

O conhecimento sobre a diversidade e biogeografia de hidroides bentônicos reunidos e trabalhados neste estudo permite que mudanças na biodiversidade possam ser melhor avaliadas, em especial face aos constantes e crescentes impactos ambientais acumulados no ambiente marinho. Os padrões biogeográficos ecológicos e históricos que descrevemos são uma tentativa de entender melhor o ambiente marinho e os fatores ambientais responsáveis por sua manutenção e evolução. Espera-se que a ampla base de dados aqui reunida colabore para elucidar outros padrões biogeográficos e contribuindo para criação de estratégias e programas futuros em conservação da biodiversidade marinha.

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Resumo

A costa austral da América do Sul (CAAS) e o oceano Austral (OA) possuem grande variedade de habitats e estão historicamente conectados desde a abertura da passagem de Drake. A fauna marinha de ambas as regiões é altamente diversa e muitas espécies possuem distribuições geográficas contraditórias, como é o caso dos hidroides bentônicos (Cnidaria, Hydrozoa). Toda essa heterogeneidade faunística atrai estudos adicionais em biogeografia, envolvendo a busca por áreas de endemismo e outros padrões de distribuição geográfica. Uma atualização do status taxonômico das espécies de hidroides bentônicos da CAAS e OA foi feito, reunindo informações sobre sua riqueza, grau de endemismo, substrato biológico e distribuição geográfica. Um total de 5.621 amostras e 359 morfoespécies de hidroides bentônicos foram levantadas para a área de estudo e checadas taxonomicamente, sendo 256 identificadas até o nível específico. Os registros de presença e ausência ao longo da área foram usados em uma análise de similaridade pelo índice de Bray-Curtis, sendo os resultados sintetizados em "clusters" hierárquicos e nMDS. A taxa de endemismo para ambos a CAAS e OA foi de 54%, sendo o OA responsável por 88% dos registros de espécies endêmicas. As espécies de leptotecados foram as que apresentaram maior amplitude de distribuição horizontal e vertical. A maior parte das espécies de hidroides bentônicos levantadas são substrato-generalistas. Treze assembleias ecológicas de hidroides bentônicos foram encontradas ao longo da CAAS e OA, as quais foram relacionadas com a dinâmica oceanográfica da área e comparadas com ecorregiões, realms, assembleias e áreas de endemismo previamente delimitadas para a região. As áreas de endemismo para a CAAS e OA foram hipotetizadas por meio da Análise de Endemicidade (AE) em uma otimização pelo software NDM-VNDM, com uma grade de 10° latitude X 10° longitude. Nove (F=0.5) e 10 (F=1.0) áreas consensuais de endemismo foram historicamente relacionadas com o isolamento da Antártica e comparadas com hipóteses já existentes para a CAAS e OA. Todas as áreas foram discutidas considerando-se os processos de vicariância e dispersão, e com relação ao real grau de endemicidade que elas representam. Uma PAE também foi realizada mas apenas com 61 espécies de hidroides bentônicos endêmicos da região acima de 45°S. Essa análise foi feita com o objetivo de reanalisar os dados previamente publicados por Marques & Peña Cantero (2010), inserindo um conjunto de dados complementar para a obtenção de uma melhor definição e acurácia nas áreas de endemismo delimitadas para a região. Oito áreas de endemismo foram definidas como subregiões dos padrões previamente encontrados. O uso de diferentes técnicas e conjuntos de dados biogeográficos são meios alternativos para clarear padrões gerais de áreas de endemismo e também outros padrões relacionados à comunidades ecológicas e estudos em conservação da biodiversidade.

Abstract

The southern South America (SSA) coast and the Southern Ocean (SO) have a high differentiation of habitats and are historically connected since the opening of the Drake Passage. The marine fauna of both regions are connected, highly diverse and many species are contradictory distributed, such as the benthic hydroids (Cnidaria, Hydrozoa). All this faunistic heterogeneity calls attention for additional biogeographic investigations, involving the search for areas of endemism and other geographic distribution patterns. An update of the taxonomic status of the species of benthic hydroids from SSA and SO was carried out, gathering information about their richness, endemicity level, biological substrates and geographic distribution. A total of 5.621 samples and 359 morphospecies of benthic hydroids were surveyed for the studied area and taxonomically checked, being 256 identified up to the specific level. The records of presence-absence along the SSA and SO were used in a Bray-Curtis similarity analysis and the results were synthesized in hierarchical clusters and nMDS. The level of endemism at both the SSA and the SO is 54%, being the SO responsible for 88% of the records of endemic species. Leptothecate species had the widest horizontal and vertical distribution and most part of the benthic hydroids surveyed were considered substrate-generalists. Thirteen ecological assemblages of benthic hydroids were found along the SSA and SO and compared with the oceanographic dynamics of the area, as well as with earlier ecoregions, realms, assemblages, and areas of endemism delimited for the region. Areas of endemism were hypothesized for the SSA and SO using the Endemicity Analysis (EA) through an optimization performed by the software NDM-VNDM, with a 10° latitude X 10° longitude grid. Nine (F=0.5) and 10 (F=1.0) consensus areas of endemism were historically related with the isolation of Antarctica, and compared with previous hypotheses for the SSA and SO. All areas were discussed in the context of vicariance/dispersal processes, and concerning the real degree of endemicity that they represent. PAE was also performed but only with 61 endemic species of benthic hydroids for the region above the 45°S. This analysis was carried out with the aim to reanalyze previous data already published by Marques & Peña Cantero (2010), inserting a complementary dataset in order to obtain a better definition and accuracy in the areas of endemism delimited for the region. Eight areas of endemism were defined as subregions of the patterns previously found. The use of different techniques and biogeographic datasets are alternative strategies to clarify general patterns of areas of endemism, as well as other patterns related with ecological communities and studies in conservation biology.