

Analysis of the exploratory behavior of marine biofoulers on surfaces with different chemistries

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Abstract

In this work we present two techniques to study the surface exploratory behaviour of marine biofoulers: digital inline holographic microscopy (suitable for algae and bacteria) and stereoscopy imaging (suitable for barnacle cyprids). The latest was adapted for underwater in situ measurements. Both techniques have been applied to the assessment of different surface chemistries. We also present new observations on the swimming patterns of *Ulva linza* on surfaces with different hydration.