

1 **The CoralHydro2k Database: a global, actively curated compilation**
2 **of coral $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ and Sr/Ca proxy records of tropical ocean hydrology and**
3 **temperature for the Common Era**

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38 **Abstract.** The response of the hydrological cycle to anthropogenic climate change, especially across the tropical oceans,
39 remains poorly understood due to the scarcity of long instrumental temperature and hydrological records. Massive shallow-
40 water corals are ideally suited to reconstructing past oceanic variability as they are widely distributed across the tropics,
41 rapidly deposit calcium carbonate skeletons that continuously record ambient environmental conditions, and can be sampled
42 at monthly to annual resolution. Climate reconstructions based on corals primarily use the stable oxygen isotope composition
43 ($\delta^{18}\text{O}$), which acts as a proxy for sea surface temperature (SST) and the oxygen isotopic composition of seawater ($\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{sw}}$), a
44 measure of hydrologic variability. Increasingly, coral $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ time series are paired with time series of strontium-to-calcium
45 ratios (Sr/Ca), a proxy for SST, from the same coral to quantify temperature and $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{sw}}$ variability through time. To increase
46 the utility of such reconstructions, we present the CoralHydro2k database: a compilation of published, peer-reviewed coral
47 Sr/Ca and $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ records from the Common Era. The database contains 54 paired Sr/Ca- $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ records and 125 unpaired Sr/Ca
48 or $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ records, with 88% of these records providing data coverage from 1800 CE to present. A quality-controlled set of
49 metadata with standardized vocabulary and units accompanies each record, informing the use of the database. The
50 CoralHydro2k database tracks large-scale temperature and hydrological variability. As such, it is well-suited for
51 investigations of past climate variability, comparisons with climate model simulations including isotope-enabled models –
52 and application in paleo-data assimilation projects. The CoralHydro2k database is available in LiPD format with
53 serializations in MATLAB, R, and Python and can be downloaded from NOAA National Center for Environmental
54 Information’s Paleoclimate Data Archive at <https://doi.org/10.25921/yp94-v135> (Walter et al., 2022).

55 1 Introduction

56 The global hydrological cycle is changing in response to ongoing anthropogenic climate change (Held and Soden,
57 2006; Cheng et al., 2020), yet regional trends in hydrology remain uncertain in many areas of the world (Song et al., 2021;
58 Madakumbura et al., 2021; Ummenhofer et al., 2021). Observed and projected trends in large-scale hydrology are consistent
59 with the “wet get wetter, dry get drier” paradigm (Held and Soden, 2006) as surface ocean fluxes increase as the planet warms.
60 Rising global temperatures means that the atmosphere can hold more moisture, which contributes to more extreme rainfall
61 across a variety of spatiotemporal scales. In the tropics, many aspects of large-scale hydrology are tied to changes in large-
62 scale coupled ocean-atmosphere dynamics associated with the El Niño-Southern Oscillation (ENSO; Power et al., 2013; Cai
63 et al., 2014), tropical Pacific decadal variability (Gu and Adler, 2013; Dong and Dai, 2015), the Indian Ocean Dipole (Webster
64 et al., 1999; Saji et al., 1999; Cai et al., 2019), and Atlantic Multidecadal Variability (Zhang et al., 2019), to name a few of the
65 most prominent modes.

66 The detection of potential anthropogenic trends in regional hydrology against a rich background of natural regional
67 hydrological variability is complicated by a dearth of instrumental climate data from across the tropics. In particular,
68 instrumental sea surface temperature (SST) observations are sparse prior to the advent of satellites in 1979 (Reynolds et al.,
69 2002; Rayner et al., 2003; Freeman et al., 2017; Huang et al., 2017; Kennedy et al., 2019) and the vast majority of sea surface
70 salinity (SSS) observations only become available in the 1990’s, with the advent of the Global Tropical Moored Buoy array
71 (McPhaden et al., 1998, 2010) and World Ocean Circulation Experiment (WOCE) (Good et al., 2013; Friedman et al., 2017;
72 Cheng et al., 2020; Gould and Cunningham, 2021). Both natural and anthropogenic shifts in regional hydroclimate on
73 interannual to multi-decadal timescales have profound impacts on societies, economies, and ecosystems, such that resolving
74 regional trends in past hydrological variability prior to available observational records is a scientific and societal priority.

Shallow-water corals have been extensively used to reconstruct past regional to oceanic-scale climate variability at data scarce locations in the tropical and subtropical oceans (as reviewed by Gagan et al., 2000; Corrège, 2006; Lough, 2010; Felis, 2020). Seasonally banded coral skeletons (e.g., Lough and Barnes, 1997) can yield monthly to annually resolved proxy records that can be calibrated to instrumental climate observations and thus used to extend the relatively short instrumental SST and SSS records back to the pre-instrumental era. Most coral-based reconstructions are based on the oxygen isotopic composition ($\delta^{18}\text{O}$) and/or strontium-to-calcium ratios (Sr/Ca) of coral skeletal aragonite. Coral $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ tracks changes in SST as well as the oxygen isotopic composition of seawater ($\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{sw}}$) (Epstein et al., 1953; Weber and Woodhead, 1972). Like salinity, variability in $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{sw}}$ reflects the balance of precipitation and evaporation, terrestrial runoff, continental ice melt and formation, and ocean circulation and mixing (e.g., LeGrande and Schmidt, 2006, 2011; Hasson et al., 2013; Conroy et al., 2014). Coral Sr/Ca primarily tracks SST variability (Weber, 1973; Smith et al., 1979; Beck et al., 1992) and can be used to decouple the temperature and $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{sw}}$ signals in coral $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ records (e.g., Gagan et al., 1998; Ren et al., 2003; Corrège, 2006; Cahyarini et al., 2008). As such, paired coral $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ and Sr/Ca records can be used to independently investigate trends in SST and hydrology (Hendy et al., 2002; Linsley et al., 2006; Quinn et al., 2006; Zinke et al., 2008; Felis et al., 2009, 2018; Hetzinger et al., 2010; Nurhati et al., 2011; Cahyarini et al., 2014; Wu et al., 2014; Murty et al., 2017, 2018b; Hennekam et al., 2018; von Reumont et al., 2018; Pfeiffer et al., 2019; Ramos et al., 2019, 2020; Sayani et al., 2019). Coral-based reconstructions have provided much-needed insights on local SST and SSS at many tropical sites, however, the utility of this archive in reconstructing regional- and global-scale signals has been limited by the scarcity of long-term paired coral $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ and Sr/Ca records and the methodological challenges of deriving seawater $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ changes from these records.

Recent data synthesis efforts within the international paleoclimate community, under the auspices of the Past Global Changes (PAGES) 2k Network, have produced several databases to contextualize modern climate change against the background of natural climate variability over the last ~2000 years; a time interval known as the Common Era (CE) (e.g., PAGES 2k Consortium, 2013; Tierney et al., 2015; PAGES2k Consortium, 2017; Atsawawaranunt et al., 2018; Konecky et al., 2020, Comas-Bru et al., 2020). These data sets, combined with climate simulations, have been instrumental in improving our understanding of CE climate variability and its dynamics (e.g., Abram et al., 2016; Neukom et al., 2019; PAGES 2k Consortium, 2019). Notably, the PAGES Ocean2k project compiled a network of published coral $\delta^{18}\text{O}$, Sr/Ca, and extension rate records to reconstruct tropical SST evolution over the past few centuries (Tierney et al., 2015). More recently, the PAGES Iso2k project compiled water isotope records from a variety of terrestrial and marine archives (Konecky et al., 2020), including corals, to investigate temperature-driven changes in the global hydrological cycle (Konecky et al., submitted). Building on these previous efforts, the CoralHydro2k project brought the global coral paleoclimate community together to address existing data archiving needs and access issues as well as the lack of standardized, best-practice methodology for calibrating coral proxies to climate variables and deriving $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{sw}}$ changes from paired $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ and Sr/Ca records.

Here we present the PAGES CoralHydro2k database: a new, actively curated compilation of coral $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ and Sr/Ca records from the last 2,000 years that serve as proxies for near-surface conditions across the tropical and subtropical oceans. This new database employs metadata standards established by Marine Annually Resolved Proxy Archives (MARPA, Dassié

09 et al., 2017) and Paleoclimate reportIng Standard (PaCTS 1.0, Khider et al., 2019), and is built using the Linked
10 Paleo Data (LiPD) framework (McKay and Emile-Geay, 2016). This first paper from the CoralHydro2k project outlines this
11 new database, its functionality, as well as plans for active curation of records and future updates. As this database represents
12 the most comprehensive collection of coral records to date, we highlight the existing spatiotemporal coverage and identify
13 opportunities for future data collection.

14 **2 Methods**

15 **2.1 Collaborative model**

16 CoralHydro2k was one of nine projects that made up Phase 3 of the PAGES 2k Network, a long-standing effort to
17 study climate variability over the last 2,000 years (PAGES 2k Network Coordinators, 2017), and continues into Phase 4 of the
18 working group. The CoralHydro2k project was established at the 2017 PAGES Open Science Meeting in Zaragoza, Spain,
19 inspired by the PAGES Hydro2k Workshop in 2016 (PAGES Hydro2k Consortium, 2017). Recurring calls for participation
20 were distributed within the international paleoclimate community to recruit a team with diverse expertise ranging from coral
21 paleothermometry to paleodata assimilation. The resulting CoralHydro2k community is composed of 40+ volunteer scientists
22 from all academic levels, including undergraduate and graduate students, postdoctoral researchers, and early to senior-level
23 scientists from a variety of international academic and research institutions. Data compilation, initial analysis, and
24 interpretation were done collaboratively and subdivided among thematic working groups as the project progressed. The
25 majority of the work was completed remotely and asynchronously across several virtual platforms (Google Suite, Slack, and
26 Zoom). One in-person meeting with limited remote participation took place in 2019 as a side meeting at the 13th International
27 Conference on Paleoceanography (ICP13) in Sydney, Australia (Hargreaves et al., 2020).

28 **2.2 Record selection and aggregation**

29 Record selection criteria for the CoralHydro2k database were designed to be as inclusive and comprehensive as
30 possible to develop a versatile database that supports the project’s goal of reconstructing tropical hydroclimatic variability at
31 seasonal and longer timescales. The database also supports the broader climate community’s need for a uniform global database
32 of coral records for comparison with climate model output over the past 2000 years, especially isotope-enabled models. The
33 CoralHydro2k team selected Common Era coral records that were at least 10 years in length; measured either $\delta^{18}\text{O}$, Sr/Ca, or
34 both; were published in a peer-reviewed scientific journal; and were archived with an absolute chronology (i.e., time in years
35 CE). For studies where “composite records”, or average time series of multiple cores from a single site, were publicly available,
36 we included either the composite record or its constituent time series but not both. Composite records are flagged as such in
37 the database.

38 Coral records were sourced from past PAGES 2k data compilations with more restrictive selection criteria, such as
39 Ocean2k (Tierney et al., 2015) and Iso2k (Konecky et al., 2020), as well as from public repositories such as the World Data

40 Center PANGAEA (<https://www.pangaea.de/>) and the NOAA National Centers for Environmental Information (NCEI) World
41 Data Service for Paleoclimatology (<https://www.ncei.noaa.gov/products/paleoclimatology>). For a few studies where data were
42 not archived in public repositories, we retrieved the records from publications and supplemental information or contacted the
43 corresponding authors. In addition to being compiled in the CoralHydro2k database, 27 previously unarchived records were
44 submitted to NOAA's NCEI database for archival by CoralHydro2k project members.

45 **2.3 Database organization**

46 Coral records in the database are organized into seven groups based on the availability of paired proxy time series,
47 temporal coverage, and record resolution (Table 1). Groups 1–3 contain records with paired Sr/Ca- $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ time series. Group 1
48 records have monthly to bimonthly temporal resolution and cover at least 80% of the 20th century. Records in Group 2 are
49 similar in resolution to records in Group 1, but cover less than 80% of the 20th century. Group 3 records contain any paired
50 Sr/Ca- $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ time series that have lower than bimonthly resolution. Group 4 records are $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ -only time series with monthly to
51 bimonthly resolution, while Group 5 records are $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ -only time series with lower than bimonthly resolution. Groups 6 and 7
52 mirror Groups 4 and 5 respectively, but for Sr/Ca-only records.

53 **Table 1. Summary table of group descriptions for the CoralHydro2k database.**

Group	Proxy data	Temporal resolution	Temporal coverage	# Records
1	paired Sr/Ca- $\delta^{18}\text{O}$	monthly to bimonthly	> 80 years of 20 th century	20
2	paired Sr/Ca- $\delta^{18}\text{O}$	monthly to bimonthly	< 80 years of 20 th century	24
3	paired Sr/Ca- $\delta^{18}\text{O}$	seasonal or lower	within CE	10
4	$\delta^{18}\text{O}$	monthly to bimonthly	within CE	56
5	$\delta^{18}\text{O}$	seasonal or lower	within CE	23
6	Sr/Ca	monthly to bimonthly	within CE	36
7	Sr/Ca	seasonal or lower	within CE	10

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55 Following the Iso2k database protocols (Konecky et al., 2020), each record in the CoralHydro2k database is assigned
56 a unique nine-digit alphanumeric identifier. These unique identifiers are generated using the first two letters of the lead author
57 surname (AN), the last two digits of publication year (01), a three-letter code indicating the location of the record (ABC), and
58 a two-digit core-ID number (02). The two-digit core-ID number begins at '01' by default and increases with each successive
59 record from the same site and publication. Identifiers have the final format "AN01ABC02". For example, record AB08MEN01
60 was published by Abram et al., in 2008, is a record from the Mentawai Islands, and is the first core from that study.

61 2.4 Metadata

62 The CoralHydro2k database contains 55 metadata fields that inform the use of each coral record: 32 metadata fields
63 are standardized and quality controlled, while 23 fields are unstructured. Standardized metadata fields use controlled
64 vocabulary or numeric information with uniform units, making them easily searchable by database users. Unstructured
65 metadata are free-form text entries that are less rigorously quality controlled but are included to aid the interpretation of the
66 coral records. The names of standardized metadata fields are italicized in Tables 2 to 6, while the names of unstructured
67 metadata fields are not.

68 Metadata included in the CoralHydro2k database is organized into four categories (Entity, Publication, Analysis, and
69 Calibration) based on standards recommended by MARPA (Dassié et al., 2017) and PaCTS1.0 (Khider et al., 2019). Entity
70 metadata provides identifying information for each coral record (Table 2), including geographic coordinates, location names,
71 water depth of the coral colony, coral species, and any core names included in the original publications. Also included in entity
72 metadata is resolution information and the start and end years of each record. Record resolution is provided as the minimum,
73 maximum, mean, and median data points per year for each record. A nominal label for resolution (*monthly*, *bimonthly*,
74 *quarterly*, *biannual*, *annual*, or *>annual*; described in Table 3), based on the modal resolution of a record, is also included to
75 allow users to easily search for records. The term ‘*uneven*’ is appended to the nominal label for records that have a variable
76 resolution. Care should be used when interpolating these records to even sampling resolution for analysis because although
77 most are relatively evenly sampled, some records have sections of substantially higher or lower resolution.

78 **Table 2. Entity metadata. Describes information relating directly to the coral proxy record, including location, core names, species,**
79 **and time span. Fields containing standardized data, e.g. uniform units, format or controlled vocabulary, are italicized.**

Field name	Variable	Type	Description
<i>paleoData_ch2kCoreCode</i>	Core ID	text	CoralHydro2k-specific Core ID used to identify the record within the CoralHydro2k database.
<i>dataSetName</i>	Core ID	text	Universal LiPD dataset identifier, which for coralHydro2k contains the same information as paleoData_ch2kCoreCode.
<i>paleoData_coralHydro2kGroup</i>	Group	numeric	Group into which the record is sorted in the CoralHydro2k database, ranges from 1-7 based on criteria outlined in Table 1.
<i>geo_latitude</i>	Latitude	numeric	Latitude for the coral core. Positive values are north of the equator; negative values are south.
<i>geo_longitude</i>	Longitude	numeric	Longitude for the coral core. Positive values are east of the Prime Meridian; negative values are west.
<i>geo_siteName</i>	Site	text	Standardized location names. Names follow the format [island/city/province 1], [island/city/province 2]

<i>geo_secondarySiteName</i>	Site 2	text	(optional)], [country]. Exceptions to this are reefs (reef, country) and other named, water-based locations (e.g. named areas within the Red Sea).
<i>geo_ocean</i>	Ocean basin	text	Secondary location names. May include regional names (e.g. Line Islands, Great Barrier Reef) or names of specific sites (e.g. Silabu).
<i>geo_ocean2</i>	Ocean basin 2	text	Ocean basin of the coral core as determined by its latitude and longitude according to the World Ocean Atlas (Boyer et al. 2018).
<i>geo_elevation</i>	Elevation	numeric	Secondary ocean basin names listed in publications that are not included in the official World Ocean Atlas designations.
<i>paleoData_coreName</i>	Core name	text	Elevation of corals. Values are negative to indicate corals were found below sea level. All elevation is expressed in meters (m).
<i>paleoData_archiveSpecies</i>	Coral species	text	Core name as specified in publications and data sets. Allows for the tracing of the coral record through past and future publications.
<i>geo_description</i>	Site Type	text	Genus and species (if known) of the coral archive. Records where species name is unknown or not given are notated as '[Genus] sp.'
<i>hasResolution_nominal</i>	Nominal resolution	text	Any general description of the type of site in which the coral was found (e.g. fringing reef, open ocean, etc.).
<i>hasResolution_has.MaxValue</i>	Maximum resolution	numeric	Nominal temporal resolution of the proxy record. See Table 3 for term definitions.
<i>hasResolution_has.MinValue</i>	Mean resolution	numeric	Minimum temporal resolution of the proxy record. Units: years.
<i>hasResolution_has.MedianValue</i>	Median resolution	numeric	Mean temporal resolution of the proxy record. Units: years.
<i>hasResolution_has.MinValue</i>	Minimum resolution	numeric	Median temporal resolution of the proxy record. Units: years.
<i>minYear</i>	Minimum year	numeric	Minimum temporal resolution of the proxy record. Units: years.
			Minimum year of the proxy record. Expressed in integer years CE.

<i>maxYear</i>	Maximum year	numeric	Maximum year of the proxy record. Expressed in integer years CE.
<i>paleoData_variableName</i>	Data type	text	Data type for paleoData_values. Proxy types are $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ ($d\text{18O}$), Sr/Ca (SrCa), or seawater $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ ($d\text{18O}_\text{sw}$).
<i>paleoData_values</i>	Data	numeric	Annual averages have '_annual' appended to the proxy type, and uncertainty data has 'Uncertainty' appended to the proxy type.
<i>paleoData_units</i>	Data units	text	Units for paleoData_values.
<i>year</i>	Year	numeric	Time data for the proxy record in paleoData_values.
<i>yearUnits</i>	Year units	text	Units for year.
<i>paleoData_TSid</i>	TSid	text	Contains a unique ID for each time series within the database. Also used to match uncertainty time series with their given proxy time series.
<i>paleoData_hasUncertainty</i>	Error TSid	text	Field that indicates whether an uncertainty time series is available for a record. If no uncertainty time series is available, the field is blank. If a time series is available, the field contains the paleoData_TSid of the uncertainty time series.
<i>paleoData_isComposite</i>	Composite data flag	logic	Indicates whether the record is a composite of proxy time series from multiple cores.
<i>paleoData_isAnomaly</i>	Anomaly data flag	logic	Indicates whether the proxy record is anomaly data (residuals after the subtraction of a mean value).

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Table 3. Nominal resolution descriptors. Lists the definitions in 'data points per year' that were used to determine the nominal resolution label for each proxy record. Fields containing standardized data, e.g. uniform units or controlled vocabulary, are italicized.

Nominal resolution	Data points per year
<i>monthly; monthly_uneven</i>	12 data points per year; "_uneven" is added to records with variable resolutions that typically have over 12 data points per year
<i>bimonthly; bimonthly_uneven</i>	6 data points per year; "_uneven" is added to records with variable resolutions that typically have 6–11 data points per year
<i>quarterly; quarterly_uneven</i>	4 data points per year; "_uneven" is added to records with variable resolutions that typically have 4–5 data points per year

<i>biannual; biannual_uneven</i>	2 data points per year; "_uneven" is added to records with variable resolutions that typically have 2–3 data points per year
<i>annual; annual_uneven</i>	1 data point per year; "_uneven" is added to records with variable resolutions that typically have 1 data point per year
<i>>annual</i>	Less than 1 data point per year

84 Publication metadata (Table 4) contains bibliographical information for each coral record including digital object
 85 identifiers (DOIs) for publications and links to the public repository from which the data was retrieved. For records featured
 86 in multiple publications, bibliographical information for publications is stored in the order established by the source data
 87 repository. First citations are found in the *pub1* metadata fields, and subsequent citations are found in *pub2* and *pub3*.

88 Analysis metadata (Table 5) provides information about the laboratory analysis of the samples, including (when
 89 available) information related to subsampling the cores, coral extension rate and tissue thickness, the units of reported
 90 variables, and analytical precision for geochemical time series. When available, information on the measurement of the
 91 international coral reference material JCp-1 (Okai et al., 2002; Hathorne et al., 2013) is included for Sr/Ca records. Calibration
 92 metadata (Table 6) includes any proxy-SST slopes, intercepts, correlations, and information about regression methods used,
 93 as reported in the original publications. These calibration metadata may differ from the standardized calibration results that we
 94 calculate across the whole database and report in section 3.2 below.

95 **Table 4. Publication metadata.** Details publication information for up to three publications associated with each coral record. Fields
 96 containing standardized data, e.g. uniform units or controlled vocabulary, are italicized.

Field name	Variable	Type	Description
<i>pubX_firstauthor</i>	First author (publication X)	text	First author listed for each listed publication (X = 1,2,3)
<i>pubX_year</i>	Publication year (publication X)	numeric	Year of publication for each listed publication (X = 1,2,3)
<i>pubX_doi</i>	DOI (publication X)	text	Digital object identifier (DOI) for each listed publication (X = 1,2,3)
<i>pubX_citation</i>	Full citation (publication X)	text	Complete citation for each listed publication (X = 1,2,3)
<i>pubX_title</i>	Title (publication X)	text	Title of each listed publication (X = 1,2,3)
<i>pubX_author</i>	Full author list (publication X)	text	Full list of authors from each listed publication (X = 1,2,3)
<i>pubX_journal</i>	Journal (publication X)	text	Journal of each listed publication (X = 1,2,3)
<i>originalDataUrl</i>	Original data source	text	Link to data set published in this database.
<i>additionalDataUrl</i>	Additional data source	text	Any additional links to published data related to this record.

Table 5. Analysis metadata. Coral sampling information, units used, and any additional notes on the coral record. Fields containing standardized data, e.g. uniform units or controlled vocabulary, are italicized.

Field name	Variable	Type	Description
paleoData_samplingResolution	Sampling resolution	text	Physical distance between individual samples from the coral archive.
paleoData_samplingNotes	Sampling notes	text	Any notes on sampling methods - point vs. continuous measurements, homogenization, etc.
<i>paleoData_coralExtensionRate</i>	Extension rate (mm/year)	numeric	Average coral extension rate in mm/year. If a range is given in the publication, 'Extension rate' is the average of the range.
paleoData_coralExtensionRateNotes	Extension rate notes	text	Average coral extension rate given in the publication. This entry includes any units, uncertainty, or ranges in values noted in publication.
<i>paleoData_coralTissueThickness</i>	Tissue thickness (mm)	numeric	Average coral tissue thickness in mm. If a range is given in the publication, 'Tissue thickness' is the average of the range.
<i>paleoData_jcpUsed</i>	JCP use flag	logic	Indicates whether the JCp-1 trace-element standard was used in the study (Okai et al. 2002, Hathorne et al. 2013). If JCp-1 was used in the study, this is the measured value reported in the publication. Units are mmol/mol.
<i>paleoData_jcpMeasured</i>	JCP value	numeric	Indicates whether proxy data in the study was standardized to JCp-1.
<i>paleoData_jcpCorrected</i>	JCP corrected	logic	Any additional notes on information pertaining to JCp-1.
paleoData_jcpNotes	JCP notes	text	Published analytic error for measured proxy values.
<i>paleoData_analyticalError</i>	Analytical error	numeric	Units for analytic error.
<i>paleoData_analyticalErrorUnits</i>	Analytical error units	text	

00	paleoData_notes	Additional coral record notes	text	Any notes on metadata, published values, citations, or the proxy record that did not fit in other fields.
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01 **Table 6. Calibration metadata. Any published information on the calibration of the coral record to sea surface temperature. There
02 are no standardized metadata fields on this table.**

Field name	Variable	Type	Description
calibration_method	Regression method	text	Regression method used with this data set in publication. Abbreviations are used for Ordinary Least Squares (OLS), Reduced Major Axis (RMA), Geometric Mean (GM), Weighted Least Squares (WLS), Multiple Linear Regression (MLR), and Composite Plus Scale (CPS).
calibration_dataset	SST product	text	SST data set used in publication for proxy-SST calibrations.
calibration_datasetRange	SST range	text	Average arithmetic SST range reported in publication for the coral site. Units: °C.
calibration_equationSlope	Proxy-SST slope	text	The published proxy-SST calibration slope for the coral record. Calibration equations take the form proxy = slope*SST + intercept. (Units: [paleoData_units]/°C)
calibration_equationIntercept	Proxy-SST intercept	text	The published proxy-SST calibration intercept for the coral record. Calibration equations take the form proxy = slope*SST + intercept. (Units: [paleoData_units]/°C)
calibration_equationR2	Proxy-SST r-square value	text	The published proxy-SST calibration r-squared value for the coral record.
calibration_equationSlopeUncertainty	Proxy-SST slope uncertainty	text	Published proxy-SST slope uncertainty for the coral record. Calibration equations take the form proxy = slope*SST + intercept. (Units: [paleoData_units]/°C)

03 **2.5 Quality control and validation**

04 As records included in the CoralHydro2k database are published in peer-reviewed scientific journals, our quality
05 control efforts were focused on the consistency of metadata and the accurate integration of records into the database. More
06 specifically, the quality control team worked to ensure that (i) metadata and proxy time series were entered correctly into the
07 database, (ii) metadata followed a standardized vocabulary or format, and (iii) records were sorted into the correct group based
08 on the types of proxies available, length, and resolution. For sites where coral records were either extended or revised in
09 subsequent studies, we include the most recent version of the record in the database and include citation information and other
10 metadata from previous studies. A quality control checklist was used to ensure each field was in a standard format and
11 contained information consistent with that in original publications and other online repositories. When information was
12 unavailable, the corresponding fields were left blank.

13 Users of the database should not view the inclusion of a record as an endorsement of its fidelity by CoralHydro2k for
14 reconstructing a climate parameter, as non-climatic factors (e.g., coral skeletal structure or growth rate) can complicate the
15 extraction of climate signals from geochemical records (see Reed et al., 2021; DeLong et al., 2013, 2016). We strongly suggest
16 users further assess records and original publications, or consult the original author or a coral paleoclimate expert if they have
17 questions or concerns.

18 **2.6 Relation to other PAGES 2k products**

19 CoralHydro2k was inspired by PAGES (2k) compilations of marine and hydrological proxy records such as Ocean2k
20 (Tierney et al., 2015; McGregor et al., 2015), SISAL (Atsawawaranunt et al., 2018; Comas-Bru et al., 2020), and Iso2k
21 (Konecky et al., 2020), but was created to address a different set of research questions. As the database is designed specifically
22 for coral-based proxy records, we employ more inclusive record selection criteria that allow us to include records that do not
23 meet the length requirements of previous PAGES 2k data compilations but are important to contextualize ongoing climate
24 change during the Common Era. The CoralHydro2k database also contains new, updated, or extended records that were
25 published after previous PAGES efforts, and will continue to be actively curated and updated annually. With a more
26 comprehensive coral database, the CoralHydro2k project will investigate methodological differences in proxy-SST
27 calibrations, explore methodologies for deriving coral-based $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{sw}}$ reconstructions, refine proxy system models for coral
28 Sr/Ca and $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ time series that enable proxy data and climate model intercomparison, and provide a denser proxy network for
29 paleodata assimilation efforts.

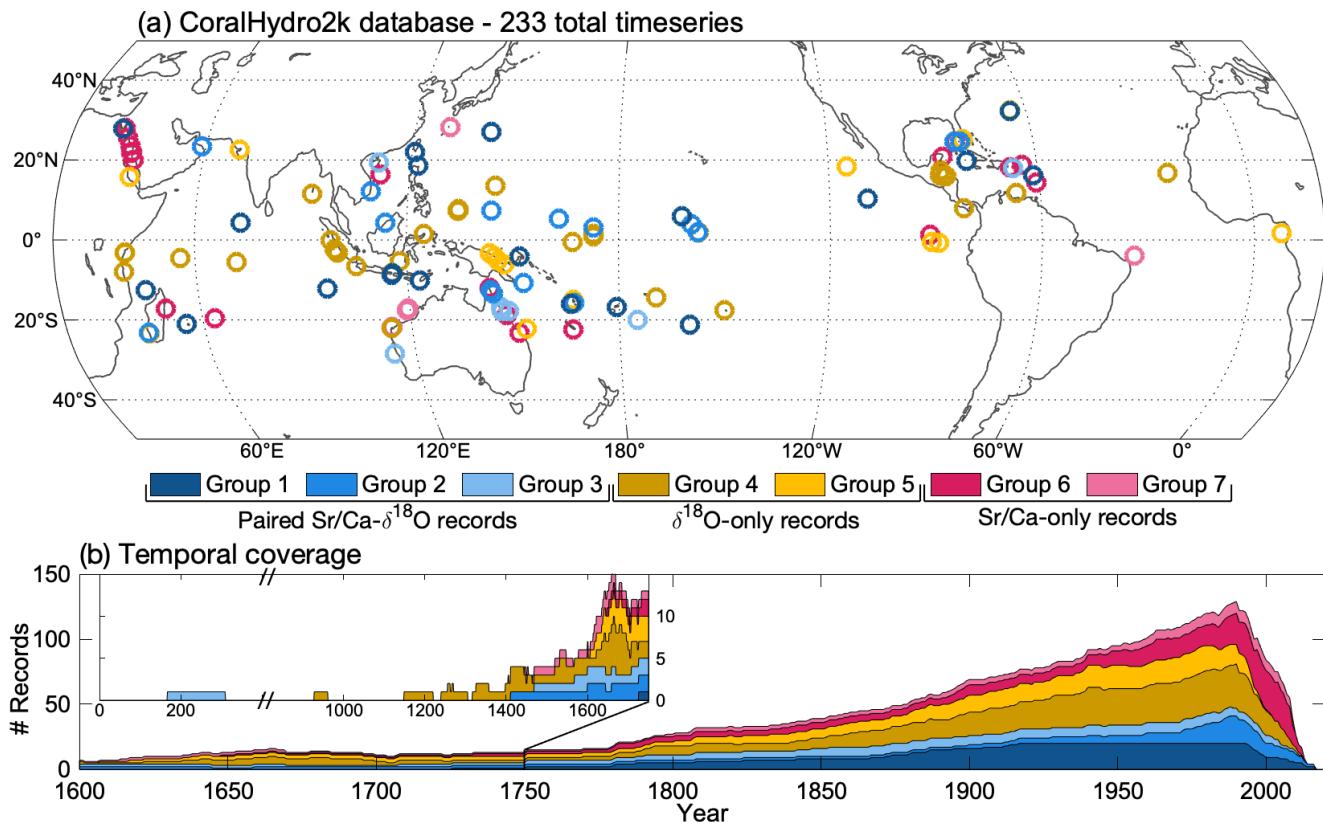


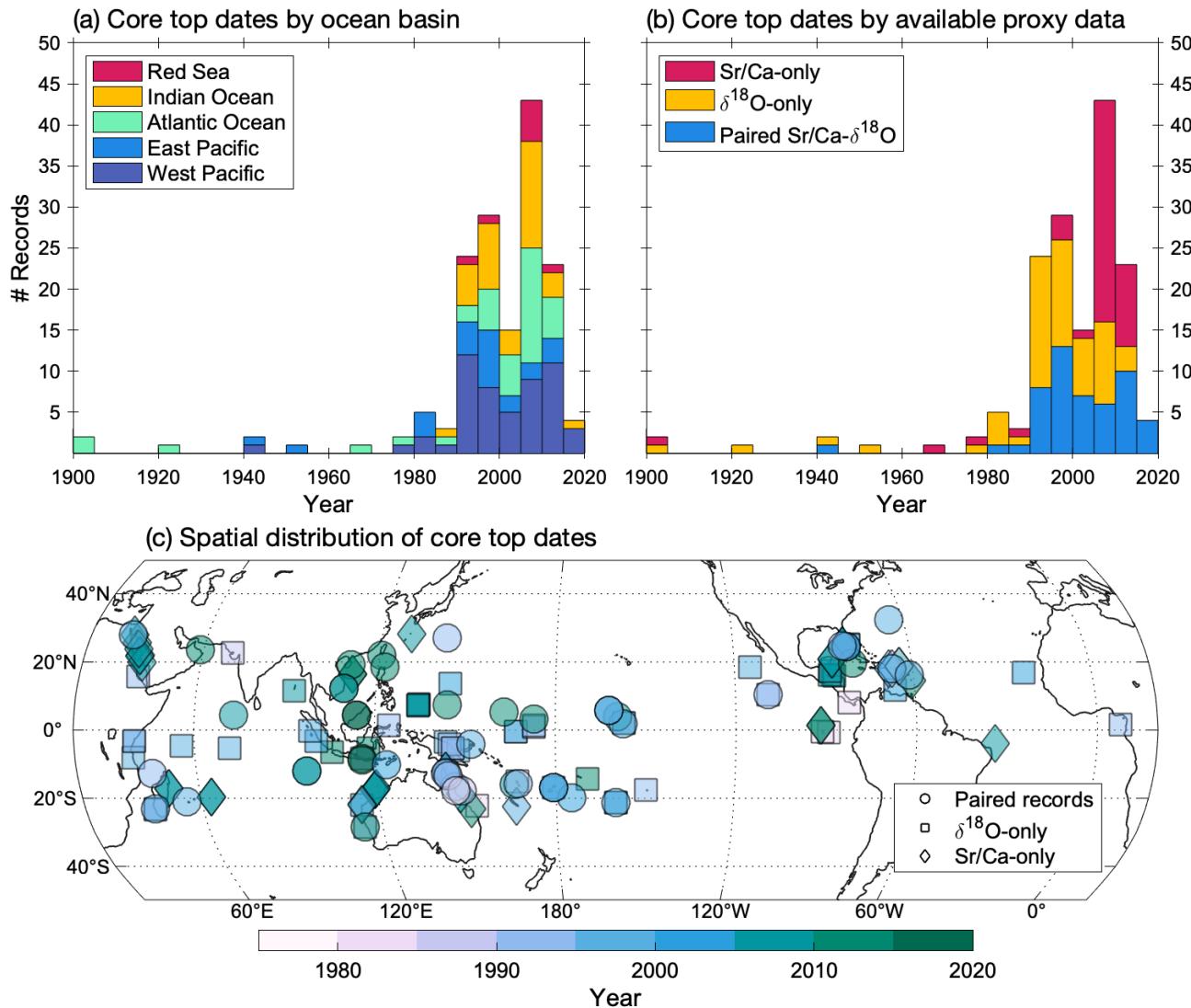
Figure 1. CoralHydro2k database records are divided across Groups 1–7 based on their available proxy information. See Table 1 for a summary of group descriptions. (a) Spatial distribution of all records in the CoralHydro2k database. (b) Temporal coverage of all records in the CoralHydro2k database. Inset shows earlier records (0–1750 CE).

3.1 Spatial and temporal coverage

The CoralHydro2k database includes 233 proxy time series from 124 unique locations sorted into seven groups (Fig. 1a). The proxy time series are stored as “records”, with 54 records containing paired Sr/Ca and $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ time series, 79 records containing only $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ time series, and 46 records containing only Sr/Ca time series. For 19 of the paired $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ and Sr/Ca records, we also include in the database the coral-derived $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{sw}}$ time series calculated by the authors of the original publication. Records in the CoralHydro2k database extend from 33° N to 28° S and across all tropical oceans. The majority of these records are concentrated in the Indo-Pacific Warm Pool and the western tropical Atlantic, as conditions there are favorable for coral growth and reefs are more accessible to researchers. Record density is low in the eastern tropical Pacific and eastern tropical Atlantic, where cooler and/or more variable ocean conditions are generally unfavorable for coral growth.

The majority of records in the database fall between 1800 and 2010 CE (Fig. 1b). Approximately 28% of records in the database cover time intervals earlier than the 1800s, with most of these records coming from corals that are dead when

46 collected (often referred to as “fossil” corals), which provide short, discrete time series often spanning several decades that
 47 have been used to reconstruct preindustrial tropical climate variability (e.g. Cobb et al., 2003, Wu et al., 2017, Abram et al.,
 48 2020). The oldest such record in the database is a coral from Hainan Island in the South China Sea that covers 167–309 CE
 49 (Xiao et al., 2017).

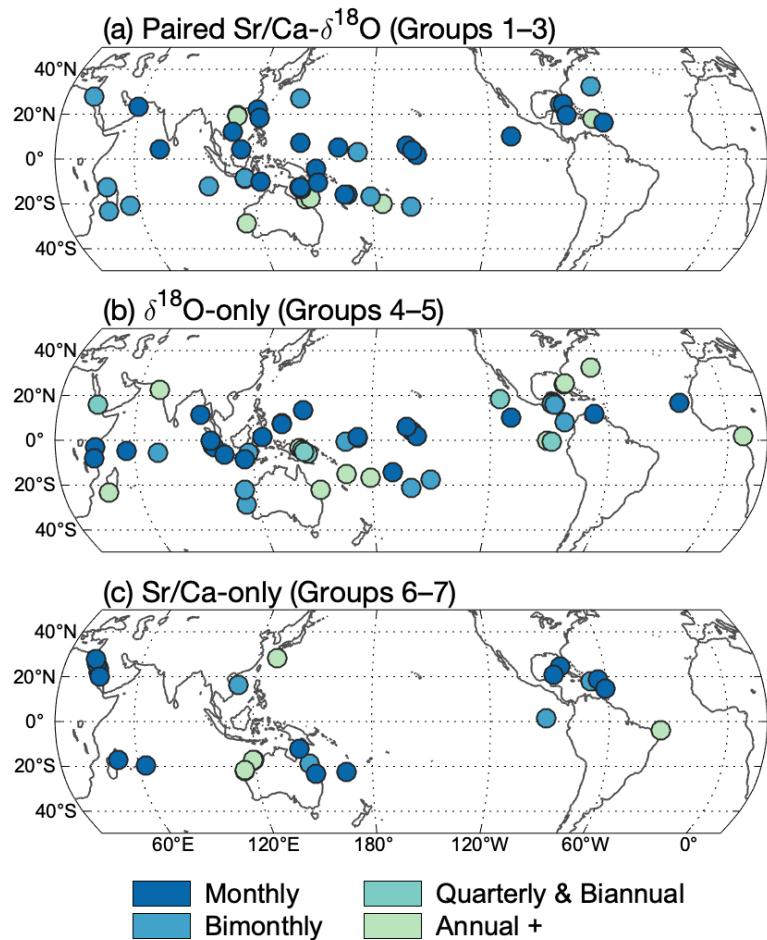


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51 **Figure 2. Total number of records with core top dates between 1900 and 2020 CE, sorted into 5-year bins and organized by (a) ocean**
 52 **basin and (b) available proxy data. Records with core top dates prior to 1900 CE are not shown. East and West Pacific Ocean are**
 53 **split at 180° longitude. (c) Global core top date spatial distribution of coral records in the CoralHydro2k database. Records with**
 54 **core top dates prior to 1975 CE are not shown (31 records).**

55 A surge in coral-based proxy record generation began in the early 1990s and is reflected in the most common core-
 56 top ages occurring in the period from 1990 to 2015 CE (Fig. 2a–b). Peak record density occurs between the late 1980s to early

57 1990s (Fig. 1b), reflecting increased coral coring efforts in all tropical oceans from 1985–2015 CE (Fig. 2) that increases data
 58 coverage across this interval. Record density precipitously drops after 1998 CE (Fig. 1b), which may simply reflect the 5- to
 59 15-year delay between core collection and record publication. However, we observe that fewer new records are available from
 60 more remote regions of the tropics (Fig. 2c). The availability of Sr/Ca and paired records began in the late 1990s (Fig. 2b) with
 61 the development of a rapid, high precision, and cost-effective method for measuring Sr/Ca using Inductively Coupled Plasma
 62 Optical Emission Spectrometry (ICP-OES) (Schrag, 1999). Sr/Ca and paired records in the database that have core top dates
 63 prior to the late 1990s typically represent updates or extensions to previously published $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ records (e.g., Felis et al., 2000,
 64 2018) or fossil records.

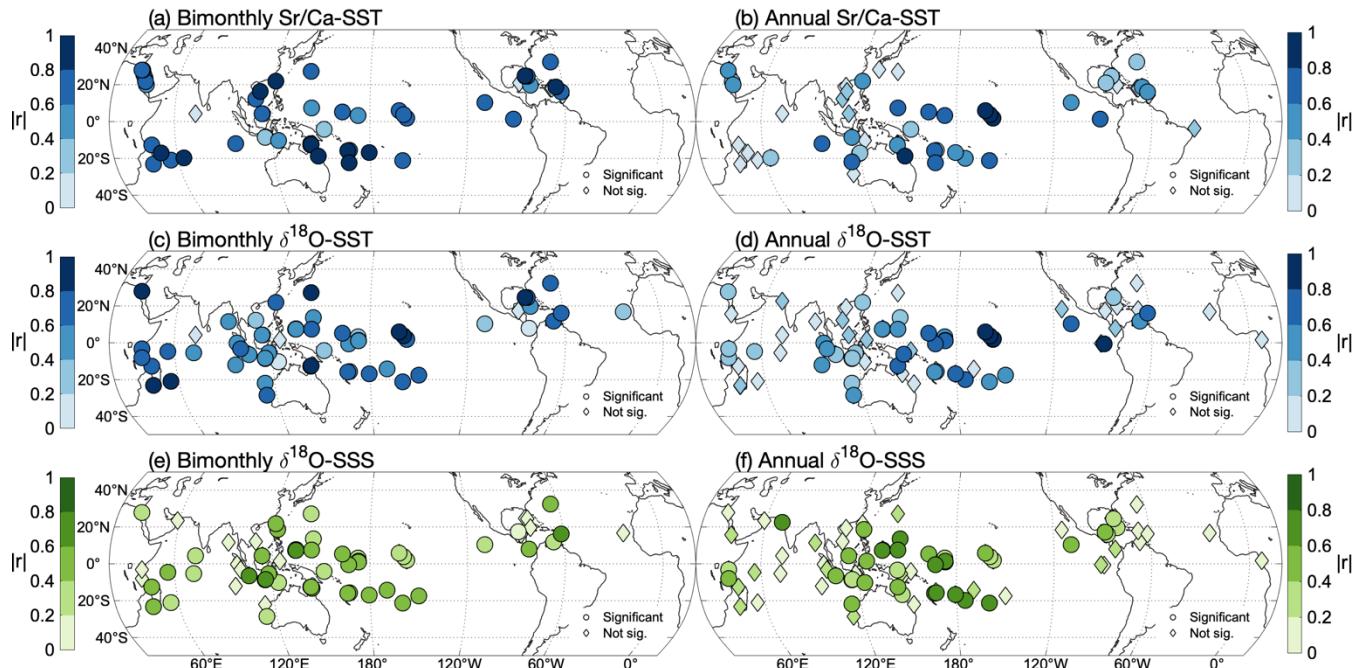


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66 **Figure 3. Resolution of coral records in the CoralHydro2k database. Spatial distributions of temporal resolution for (a) paired**
 67 **Sr/Ca- $\delta^{18}\text{O}$, (b) $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ -only, and (c) Sr/Ca-only records.**

68 A majority of the records included in the CoralHydro2k database offer seasonal or sub-seasonal resolution: 76% of
 69 the records in the CoralHydro2k database have monthly or bimonthly resolution, 6% have quarterly to biannual resolution,
 70 and 18% have annual or lower resolution (Fig. 3).

71 **3.2 Relationship to sea surface temperature**



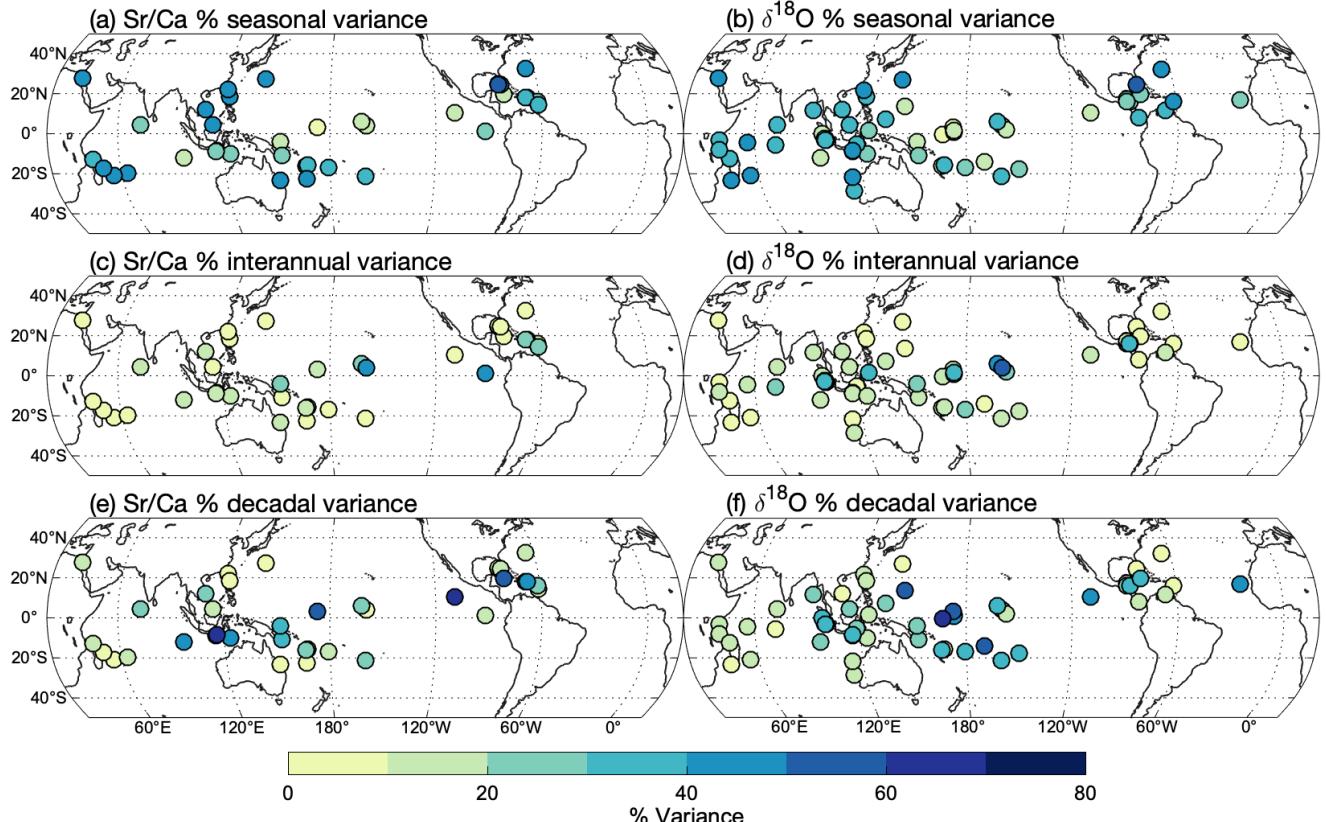
72 **Figure 4. Absolute correlations between coral Sr/Ca and $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ and local sea surface temperature (SST) from 1950–2020 CE (a-d)**
 73 **(e-f)** from 1970–2010 CE at bimonthly (left) and annual (April–March; right)
 74 resolutions. SST and SSS were taken from the grid box nearest to each coral record in the NOAA ERSSTv5 (Huang et al., 2017)
 75 and Hadley EN4 (Good et al., 2013) data sets, respectively. Significant correlations are denoted by circles (greater than 90% confidence
 76 interval) and non-significant correlations are denoted by diamonds. We note that significance can vary based on the choice of gridded
 77 data set and grid box, annual averaging period and correlation interval, and as such, the values shown here may differ from those
 78 reported in the original publications for each record. Correlations are shown as absolute values for ease of visualization, but we note
 79 that the linear relationship between SST and coral Sr/Ca or $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ is negative.
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81 Proxy records in the CoralHydro2k database capture SST variability on seasonal and longer timescales. To highlight
 82 relationships between temperature and proxy records in CoralHydro2k, we calculate Pearson correlation coefficients between
 83 the records and local SST (2° grid area) from the NOAA ERSSTv5 data set (Huang et al., 2017). Significance is assessed here
 84 at the 90% confidence level: for bimonthly average data, 92% of Sr/Ca and 96% of $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ records have a significant correlation
 85 with SST. Significant absolute correlations range from 0.23–0.94 (Sr/Ca-SST) and 0.13–0.89 ($\delta^{18}\text{O}$ -SST) for the interval 1950–
 86 2020 CE, with a median correlation of 0.74 for Sr/Ca-SST and 0.59 for $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ -SST (Fig. 4a,c). Bimonthly average correlations
 87 are generally stronger at higher latitudes where the seasonal range in temperature is larger.

88 Significant absolute correlations between annual-average proxy time series and local SST range from 0.26–0.89 for
 89 Sr/Ca data and 0.26–0.92 for $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ data, with medians of 0.50 for Sr/Ca-SST and 0.57 for $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ -SST correlations (Fig. 4b,d).

90 For annual-average data, 43% of Sr/Ca-SST and 56% of $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ -SST correlations are significant. Here, we use the April–March
 91 tropical year for annual averages to avoid splitting large-scale tropical variability between years (Ropelewski and Halpert,
 92 1987). The higher annual proxy-SST correlations occur near the equator, particularly in the central and western tropical Pacific,
 93 where the ENSO drives large SST changes on interannual timescales.

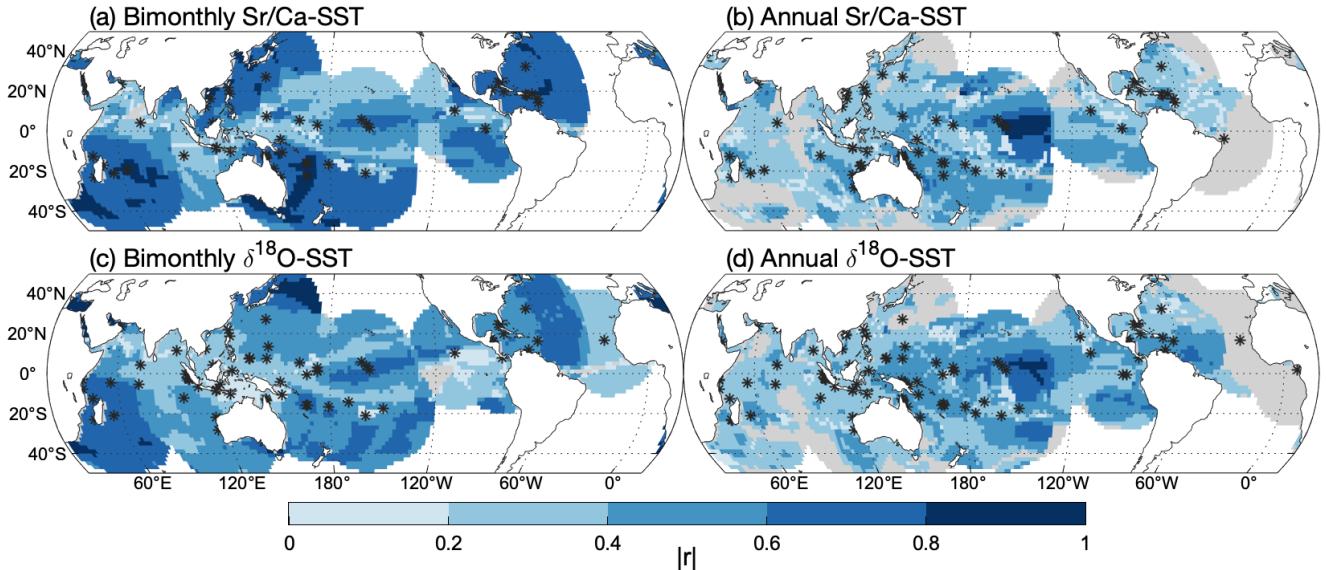
94 We note that significant discrepancies exist among gridded SST data products (e.g., HadISST, ERSST, OISST) due
 95 to the scarcity of observations across space and time and the different statistical techniques used to infill missing data in each
 96 SST data product (e.g., Deser et al., 2010; Freeman et al., 2017; Kennedy et al., 2019). Thus, the proxy-SST correlations
 97 presented here may deviate from those stated in each record's original publication.



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 99 **Figure 5.** Percent variance of coral Sr/Ca (a,c,e) and $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ (b,d,f) records calculated as the fraction of variance that each time scale
 00 of variability contributes to total time series variance. Variance is calculated across the full length of each coral record. (a–b)
 01 Highpass variability calculated using a 13-month filter. (c–d) 2–7 year bandpass percent variability that includes interannual
 02 variance driven by the El Niño–Southern Oscillation (ENSO). (e–f) 10-year lowpass variability. All percent variability was calculated
 03 only for records at least 30 years in length.

04 Patterns observed in proxy-SST correlations are also mirrored in the dominant frequency of variability displayed by
 05 each record. To examine the relative contributions of seasonal, interannual, and decadal variability in coral records, we apply
 06 a 13-month highpass (seasonal), a 2–7 year bandpass (interannual), and a 10-year lowpass filter to all monthly and bimonthly

07 records that are at least 30 years long. Filtering was performed using a 6th-order Butterworth filter in MATLAB, with the filter
 08 order used to optimize filtering in the decadal band. Variance for each filtered series is normalized by the proxy record variance
 09 determined for the entire record length to enable comparison between $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ and Sr/Ca (Fig. 5). The seasonal variance in both
 10 proxies increases with latitude (Fig. 5a-b), with records in the subtropics exhibiting greater seasonal variance than records
 11 close to the equator. Conversely, records in the Indo-Pacific Warm Pool contain higher proportions of interannual variance
 12 (Fig. 5c-d). This pattern is more apparent among longer coral $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ records, as several Sr/Ca records in the database do not
 13 meet the 30-year length requirement for bandpass filtering.



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 15 **Figure 6. Median absolute correlation between SST ($2^\circ \times 2^\circ$ grid boxes, ERSSTv5) and coral proxy records within a 3000 km radius.**
 16 Bimonthly (left) and annual (April–March; right) correlations shown are significant at the 90% confidence level. Grid boxes with
 17 records within 3000 km but no significant correlations are shaded gray. Correlations are calculated using available data from 1950–
 18 2020 CE. Record locations are indicated by black asterisks.

19 For global or regional climate reconstructions, it is useful to consider the relationship of gridded SST data products
 20 to the proxy network as opposed to the relationship of individual records to the nearest grid point in those data products. To
 21 assess the reconstruction potential of the CoralHydro2k proxy network, we calculate the median absolute correlation between
 22 each ERSSTv5 grid box and all available records in the database within a 3,000 km radius (Fig. 6). We find significant
 23 (assuming a 90% confidence interval) annual Sr/Ca-SST correlations across 56% of the tropical and subtropical oceans (Fig.
 24 6b), and significant annual $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ -SST correlations across 60% (Fig. 6d). Consistent with previous results, bimonthly
 25 correlations between SST and both proxies are higher (Fig. 6a,c) due to the seasonal cycle. Whereas non-climatic factors, such
 26 as age-model errors (Comboul et al., 2014; Lawman et al., 2020b; Loope et al., 2020), may lower the correlation between coral
 27 proxies and SST in some regions, significant correlations observed here highlight the fact the CoralHydro2k database captures
 28 regional to global patterns of climate variability, and thus, is suitable for reconstructing SST variability across much of the

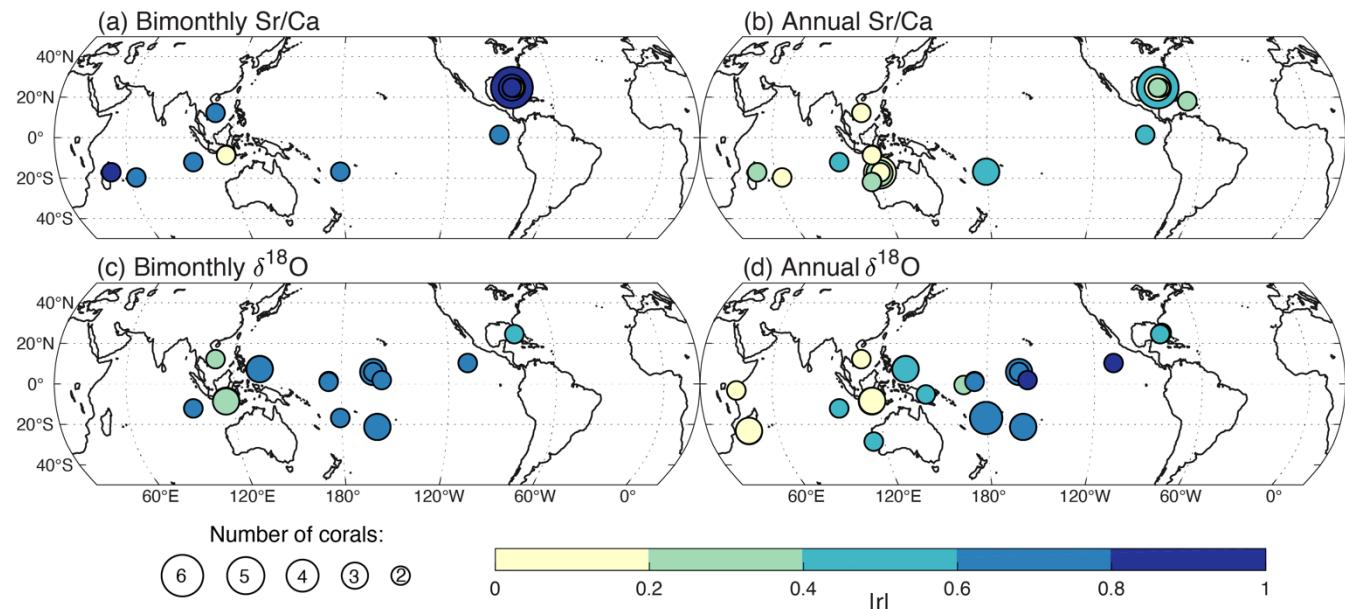
29 tropical and subtropical oceans. Reconstruction potential is limited in the eastern Pacific and eastern Atlantic due to the scarcity
30 of corals from those regions.

31 **3.3 Relationship to hydrology**

32 Coral $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ records capture combined changes in local SST and $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{sw}}$, with the latter reflecting the balance among
33 hydrological processes (e.g., precipitation, evaporation, horizontal and vertical ocean advection). Since observed $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{sw}}$ data
34 coverage is limited through space and time (e.g., LeGrande and Schmidt, 2006; Boyer et al., 2018; Breitkreuz et al., 2018), we
35 compare each coral $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ record to SSS from the nearest Hadley EN4.2.1 grid box (Good et al., 2013; Gouretski and Reseghetti,
36 2010) as both SSS and $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{sw}}$ variability are driven by similar hydrological processes. However, we do note that the
37 relationship between these two variables may not be spatiotemporally constant (Conroy et al., 2014, 2017). Significant absolute
38 correlations between coral $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ and SSS between 1970 and 2010 range from 0.16–0.69 at bimonthly resolution and 0.28–0.79
39 at annual resolution (Fig. 4e-f). The highest correlations occur in the Western Pacific Warm Pool region, where there is stronger
40 SSS variability due to factors that do not strongly covary with temperature such as terrestrial runoff and ocean mixing (Qu et
41 al., 2014; Murty et al., 2017, 2018b). For western Pacific sites further away from the Maritime Continent, higher SSS- $\delta^{18}\text{O}$
42 correlations may reflect the strong covariance between SSS and SST, especially on interannual timescales. In contrast, coral
43 $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ records from sites close to the equator in the Indian and central equatorial Pacific oceans exhibit lower $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ -SSS
44 correlations, which suggests that SSS variability at these sites is smaller relative to SST or may point to potential biases in
45 gridded SSS data products.

46 Many $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ -SSS correlations at annual resolution are not significant; however, this may be more reflective of the SSS
47 data set used here rather than the integrity of records in the database. Historical SSS observational records are much shorter
48 and sparser than SST before the satellite era (Good et al., 2013; Boyer et al., 2018; Friedman et al., 2017), especially in the
49 tropical and subtropical oceans. Consequently, much larger discrepancies exist among gridded SSS data sets than those found
50 between gridded SST products (Carton et al., 2018, 2019; Zweng et al., 2019). New and emerging salinity products such as
51 NASA's Soil Moisture Active Passive (SMAP) Sea Surface Salinity (Vazquez-Cuervo and Gomez-Valdes, 2018), ESA's Soil
52 Moisture and Ocean Salinity Mission (SMOS; Boutin et al., 2016), Aquarius (Drucker and Riser, 2014), and Argo (Schmid et
53 al., 2007) will be important calibration data sets for future coral studies or reconstructions that cover the years since 2011 CE.
54 Nonetheless, the lack of long, historical SSS records highlights the need for independent coral-based constraints on long-term
55 hydrological trends across the tropical and subtropical oceans.

3.4 Local reproducibility of Sr/Ca and $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ records



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Figure 7. Median absolute correlation between coral proxy records located within a 50 km radius. Correlation was calculated over the common time period between overlapping records, provided that there was a minimum of 20 years of overlap. Records that are not within 50 km of another record are not shown. Marker size indicates the number of records used in the median correlation calculation at each site (largest: N = 6).

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We assess the “local” reproducibility of coral records in the database by comparing each proxy record to records of the same type within a 50 km radius with at least 20 years in common (Fig. 7). As the CoralHydro2k database represents the most comprehensive coral-based proxy compilation effort to date, approximately 36% of the records are within a 50 km radius of one to five contemporaneous records. Bimonthly absolute correlations for Sr/Ca records within 50 km of each other range from 0.11–0.95 (Fig. 7a), and bimonthly $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ correlations range from 0.24–0.79 (Fig. 7c). Similarly, annual correlations for Sr/Ca records within 50 km of each other range from 0.04–0.59 (Fig. 7b), and annual correlations for $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ records range from 0.01–0.87 (Fig. 7d). Whereas we observe good reproducibility at most sites, the highest degree of local reproducibility among both Sr/Ca and $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ records occurs in more open ocean settings (e.g., the central Pacific), where there is less spatial variability in growth environments, ocean advection patterns, local SST, and SSS across short distances.

Reproducibility studies show that proxy records from corals growing on the same reef can exhibit inconsistent mean values (e.g., Giry et al., 2012; Felis et al., 2003, 2004, 2014; DeLong et al., 2007, 2013; Sayani et al., 2021) or proxy-SST relationships (e.g., DeLong et al., 2012; Sayani et al., 2019). The exact causes of intercolony variability are not known. Intercolony differences in mean values are often attributed to subtle differences in reef environments, unresolved interspecies differences, or “vital effects”: a catch-all term used to describe a myriad of unknown physiological and/or metabolic processes that impact the incorporation of oxygen isotopes and trace elements into coral skeletons (Weber, 1973; Weber and Woodhead, 1972; McConaughey, 1989). Proxy-SST relationships may also vary among sites due to different coral micro-sampling

78 methods (e.g., punch/spot drilling versus continuous micro-milling), the lack of standardized analytical methods for measuring
79 Sr/Ca prior to the use of the coral reference material JCp-1 (Hathorne et al., 2013), differences in regression methods and
80 instrumental data sets used to calculate regressions (Corrège, 2006), and other regional parameters (Murty et al., 2018a).
81 Despite these intercolony differences, contemporaneous proxy records often exhibit similar seasonal and interannual variability
82 (e.g., Felis et al., 2004; Giry et al., 2012; DeLong et al., 2012, 2014; Kuffner et al., 2017; Sayani et al., 2019), highlighting that
83 coral records are indeed capturing common climate signals and can be used to reconstruct regional and global climate trends
84 and variability.

85 Whereas intercolony variability has mostly been studied in massive *Porites* spp. corals, which are widely distributed
86 throughout the Indian and Pacific oceans and most commonly used in paleoclimate reconstructions, some species (e.g.,
87 *Siderastrea siderea*, found in the Atlantic Ocean) exhibit more reproducibility among coral colonies in Sr/Ca, $\delta^{18}\text{O}$, and
88 calibration equations (Maupin et al., 2008; DeLong et al., 2014, 2016; Kuffner et al., 2017; Weerabaddana et al., 2021). More
89 work is needed to both quantify intercolony variability in different coral species and understand the impact of calibration
90 method on coral-based temperature reconstructions.

91 **4 Usage notes**

92 **4.1 General applications**

93 The CoralHydro2k database is the most comprehensive compilation of coral $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ and Sr/Ca records to date. The
94 database offers extensive coverage of monthly to annually resolved marine proxy records that can be used to investigate near-
95 surface hydrology and temperature variability across the global tropics and subtropics. Comparable information at similarly
96 high resolution is rarely available with other marine paleo-archives. Paired coral Sr/Ca- $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ records allow for independent
97 reconstruction and investigation of pre-industrial temperature and hydrologic changes at seasonal, interannual, and decadal
98 time scales. The inclusion of both unpaired and short proxy records, many of which did not meet the selection criteria of
99 previous PAGES 2k data compilations, allows the CoralHydro2k database to be used for applications beyond large-scale
00 temperature and hydrology reconstructions. This includes, and is certainly not limited to, proxy calibration studies, proxy-
01 system model development, and paleo-data assimilation efforts. Records in the CoralHydro2k database can also be compared
02 to model outputs, either by converting coral Sr/Ca into temperature for direct comparison or by using proxy system modeling
03 to estimate proxy composition from climate model output. Coral $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ records and coral-derived $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{sw}}$ records can also be
04 directly compared with new simulations from isotope-enabled models. A brief overview of how to access, query, and cite the
05 database is provided in the sections below.

06 **4.2 Searching the CoralHydro2k database**

07 All three serializations of the CoralHydro2k database store data in two main containers. The first container, labeled
08 ‘D’, stores records and metadata under each record’s unique identifier as described in Section 2.3. The second container,

09 labeled ‘TS’, is a “flattened” form of the database, where information for all records is stored in a format that resembles a
10 spreadsheet. The unique identifier for the coral record each time series belongs to can be found in the *dataSetName* and
11 *paleoData_ch2kCoreCode* fields within this flat format. MATLAB and R serializations also have an ‘sTS’ container to be
12 consistent with other PAGES2k data sets, which contains the same information as container ‘TS’. Proxy records stored in the
13 CoralHydro2k database can be searched for using a variety of keywords or parameters. Users can search, filter, or create
14 subsets of the database in a number of different ways by creating their own scripts in MATLAB, R, or Python. One potential
15 starting point is to filter or create a subset of records based on the *paleoData_coralHydro2kGroup* field, which categorizes
16 records based on the predefined proxy, resolution, and temporal coverage groupings (Table 1) described in section 2.3.
17 Additional ways to query the database include but are not limited to:

- Proxy type, using the field *paleoData_variableName* to select either Sr/Ca or $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ records.
- Temporal coverage, using *minYear* and *maxYear* to search for proxy records that fall within a specific time period.
- Record resolution, which can be searched by nominal temporal resolution (Table 3) using *hasResolution_nominal* or numerically (minimum, mean, median, maximum) using fields beginning with ‘*hasResolution_*’. See Table 2 for more information.
- Location, using geographic coordinates (*geo_latitude* and *geo_longitude*), site name (*geo_siteName*), or ocean basin (*geo_ocean*). *geo_ocean* is the level one ocean basin listed in the World Ocean Atlas (Boyer et al., 2018) for the geographic coordinates of the record. Coral species, using *paleoData_archiveSpecies* to search for records from a particular coral species, e.g. *Porites* sp.

27 A python demo and example MATLAB and R scripts are archived with the database to help guide users on how to access and
28 search the database in their preferred programming language.

29 **4.3 Data availability, updates, and versioning**

30 The development of the CoralHydro2k database was guided by FAIR data principles (Wilkinson et al., 2016), which
31 strive to make scholarly data Findable, Accessible, Interoperable, and Reusable. Thus, the CoralHydro2k database employs
32 the LiPD framework (McKay and Emile-Geay, 2016), a standardized, machine-readable format for archiving and describing
33 paleoclimate data, with serializations for MATLAB, R, and Python. The database is archived on the NOAA NCEI World Data
34 Service for Paleoclimatology. To access the database, visit <https://doi.org/10.25921/yp94-v135> (Walter et al., 2022) and click
35 on “NOAA Study Page”. Alternatively, the NOAA Study Page can be accessed at <https://www.ncei.noaa.gov/access/paleo-search/study/35453>. Also available on the database website and CoralHydro2k GitHub (<https://github.com/CoralHydro2k/>)
36 are example scripts to help new users search the database.
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38 One of CoralHydro2k’s core goals is to create an actively curated coral database. We encourage the community to
39 submit newly published coral $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ and Sr/Ca records using the data submission form located on the repository website linked
40 above. Newly published records submitted by record generators and sourced by the CoralHydro2k team from public archives
41 will be compiled and added to the database on an annual basis. Updates to the database will follow the versioning scheme used

42 by the PAGES2k database (PAGES2k Consortium, 2017). The first release of the CoralHydro2k database is version 1.0.0. The
43 version number has three counters in the following form C₁.C₂.C₃. The first counter, C₁, is updated with each publication of a
44 formal update of the data set. The second counter, C₂, is updated when a record is added or removed. The third counter, C₃, is
45 updated when a modification is made to the data or metadata. It is anticipated that future versions and a change log describing
46 updates with each new version will be made available at the same location as the original data release.

47 **4.4 Citation**

48 Researchers utilizing the whole CoralHydro2k database or a significant portion of the database should cite this paper
49 and the paper describing the most recent version of the database. When using any subset of the CoralHydro2k database,
50 researchers are strongly encouraged to cite the original and all associated publications for each record used, provided that this
51 does not cause the publication to exceed the reference limit for the target journal. Citation information associated with each
52 record in the database, including a full bibliography and DOIs, as well as a link to the original public archive of each data set
53 is included in the metadata to facilitate users in crediting the original data generators in their use of the coral data.

54 **5 Conclusion**

55 Shallow-water corals provide monthly to annually resolved climate records from data-scarce locations across the
56 tropical and subtropical oceans and are incredibly useful for extending modern-day observations back into the preindustrial
57 era, contextualizing anthropogenic climate trends, and improving the skill of future climate projections. The PAGES
58 CoralHydro2k project was formed to facilitate the use of coral paleoclimate records by the broader scientific community. Our
59 first effort on this front is the CoralHydro2k database: a mostly unfunded endeavor representing the collective efforts of 40+
60 researchers across different career stages, institutes, and time zones, meeting monthly to bi-weekly and working
61 asynchronously over the past five years. Subsequent publications from the CoralHydro2k project will use this database to
62 evaluate proxy-SST calibrations and methodological differences used in coral-based climate reconstructions as well as
63 investigate past tropical ocean hydroclimate trends using data assimilation and comparison to isotope enabled-models.
64 Furthermore, the CoralHydro2k team has also been collecting instrumental seawater $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ data as part of our database
65 compilation efforts. That database will be released in the near future — also following the FAIR standards — and will also be
66 maintained with active curation (see DeLong et al., 2022). While the fruits of the CoralHydro2k database are likely to come
67 over the next 5–10 years, continuing to invest as a community in compiling standardized data sets will inevitably elevate the
68 utility of each record.

69 The CoralHydro2k database is a comprehensive, machine-readable, standardized, and actively curated database of
70 coral $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ and Sr/Ca records. Records in the CoralHydro2k database track large-scale regional SST and hydrology signals
71 across seasonal, interannual, and decadal timescales with a high degree of reproducibility. As such, the records in the database
72 can be used for investigating tropical and subtropical SST and hydrology variability on societally relevant time scales and can

73 be combined with large networks of terrestrial paleo-archives of climate variability such as tree rings, ice cores, or speleothems
74 to investigate past and present ocean-atmosphere-land interactions. Moreover, the database enables global-scale comparisons
75 of coral-based paleoclimate reconstructions with state-of-the-art climate models, either through the use of forward models
76 (Thompson et al., 2011; Dee et al., 2015, 2017; Tardif et al., 2019), or directly in the case of isotope-enabled models (Konecky
77 et al., 2020). The comprehensive and high-resolution nature of the CoralHydro2k database also makes it ideally suited as an
78 input database for paleoclimate data assimilation efforts such as the Last Millennium Reanalysis (Hakim et al., 2016; Steiger
79 et al., 2018; Tardif et al., 2019; Sanchez et al., 2021).

80 **Appendix A**81 **Table A1.** Reference table of publications cited in the CoralHydro2k database. Citations in the *Cited publications* column are listed
82 in the order presented in the database (*pub1*, *pub2*, *pub3*).

Unique ID	Group	Proxies	Cited publications	Latitude	Longitude	Location
Atlantic Ocean						
AL16PUR01	6	Sr/Ca	(Alpert et al., 2017)	18.1153	-67.9374	Mona Island, Puerto Rico
AL16PUR02	6	Sr/Ca	(Alpert et al., 2017)	17.93	-67.01	Pinacles Reef, Puerto Rico
AL16YUC01	6	Sr/Ca	(Alpert et al., 2017)	20.8321	-86.8789	Puerto Morelos, Mexico (Yucatan Peninsula)
CA13DIA01	4	d18O	(Carilli et al., 2013)	16.064	-86.951	Diamond Caye, Utila, Honduras (Gulf of Honduras)
CA13PEL01	4	d18O	(Carilli et al., 2013)	15.978	-86.485	Cayos Cochinos, Honduras (Gulf of Honduras)
CA13SAP01	4	d18O	(Carilli et al., 2013)	16.129	-88.25	Sapodilla Cayes, Belize (Gulf of Honduras)
CA13TUR01	4	d18O	(Carilli et al., 2013)	17.307	-87.801	Turneffe Atoll, Belize (Gulf of Honduras)
DE14DTO01	6	Sr/Ca	(DeLong et al., 2014, 2016; Flannery et al., 2017)	24.6988	-82.7974	Dry Tortugas, Florida, USA (Pulaski Reef, Florida Keys)
DE14DTO02	6	Sr/Ca	(DeLong et al., 2014, 2016; Flannery et al., 2017)	24.617	-82.867	Dry Tortugas, Florida, USA (south of Long Key, Florida Keys)
DE14DTO03	6	Sr/Ca	(DeLong et al., 2014, 2016, 2011)	24.6988	-82.7974	Dry Tortugas, Florida, USA (Pulaski Reef, Florida Keys)
DE14DTO04	6	Sr/Ca	(DeLong et al., 2014, 2016, 2011)	24.6949	-82.7947	Dry Tortugas, Florida, USA (Pulaski Reef, Florida Keys)
DR00KSB01	5	d18O	(Draschba et al., 2000)	32.467	-64.568	Kitchen Shoals, Bermuda (Sargasso Sea)
DR00NBB01	5	d18O	(Draschba et al., 2000)	32.5	-64.7	Northeast Breakers, Bermuda (Sargasso Sea)
EV18ROC01	7	Sr/Ca	(Evangelista et al., 2018)	-3.86	-33.77	Rocas Atoll, Rio Grande do Norte, Brazil

			(Flannery et al., 2017;			
FL17DTO01	6	Sr/Ca	Flannery and Poore, 2013; DeLong et al., 2011)	24.6986	-82.7986	Dry Tortugas, Florida, USA (Pulaski Reef, Florida Keys)
FL17DTO02	6	Sr/Ca	(Flannery et al., 2017; Weinzierl et al., 2016)	24.699	-82.799	Dry Tortugas, Florida, USA (Pulaski Reef, Florida Keys)
FL18DTO01	6	Sr/Ca	(Flannery et al., 2018, 2017; Flannery and Poore, 2013)	24.6949	-82.7983	Dry Tortugas, Florida, USA (Pulaski Reef, Florida Keys)
FL18DTO02	6	Sr/Ca	(Flannery et al., 2018; Hickey et al., 2013)	24.6946	-82.7949	Dry Tortugas, Florida, USA (Pulaski Reef, Florida Keys)
FL18DTO03	6	Sr/Ca	(Flannery et al., 2018; Weinzierl et al., 2016)	24.703	-82.848	Dry Tortugas, Florida, USA (near North Key Harbor, Florida Keys)
FL18DTO04	6	Sr/Ca	(Flannery et al., 2018; Weinzierl et al., 2016)	24.703	-82.844	Dry Tortugas, Florida, USA (near North Key Harbor, Florida Keys)
GO08BER01	1	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Goodkin et al., 2008, 2005; Goodkin, 2007)	32.33	-64.68	Bermuda
HE08LRA01	4	d18O	(Hetzinger et al., 2008)	11.77	-66.75	Cayo Sal, Los Roques Archipelago, Venezuela
HE10GUA01	1	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Hetzinger et al., 2010, 2006)	16.2	-61.49	Isle de Gosier, Guadeloupe (Lesser Antilles)
KI08PAR01	3	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Kilbourne et al., 2008, 2010)	17.93	-67	La Parguera, Puerto Rico (Turrumote Reef)
KI14PAR01	3	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Kilbourne et al., 2014; Watanabe et al., 2001; Kilbourne et al., 2008)	18	-67	La Parguera, Puerto Rico (Turrumote Reef)
MA08DTO01	2	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Maupin et al., 2008; DeLong et al., 2016)	24.6167	-82.8667	Dry Tortugas, Florida, USA (Long Key, Dry Tortugas)
MO06PED01	4	d18O	(Moses et al., 2006)	16.76	-22.89	Pedra de Lume, Sal Island (Cape Verde Islands)
RE18CAY01	1	d18O, Sr/Ca	(von Reumont et al., 2018, 2016)	19.7	-80.06	Little Cayman, Cayman Islands

RO19MAR01	6	Sr/Ca	(Rodriguez et al., 2019)	14.4512	-60.929	Grande Cai, Martinique
RO19PAR01	7	Sr/Ca	(Rodriguez et al., 2019; Kilbourne et al., 2010; Watanabe et al., 2001)	17.9368	-67.0184	Parguera, Puerto Rico
RO19YUC01	7	Sr/Ca	(Rodriguez et al., 2019; Vásquez-Bedoya et al., 2012)	20.8321	-86.8789	Puerto Morelos, Mexico (Yucatan Peninsula)
SM06LKF01	2	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Smith et al., 2006)	24.56	-81.41	Looe Key, Florida, USA (Florida Keys)
SM06LKF02	2	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Smith et al., 2006)	24.56	-81.41	Looe Key, Florida, USA (Florida Keys)
SW98STP01	5	d18O	(Swart et al., 1998)	1.67	7.58	Ponta Banana, Principe Island (Gulf of Guinea)
SW99LIG01	5	d18O	(Swart et al., 1999)	25.23	-80.4167	Lignumvitae Basin, Florida, USA (Florida Bay)
SW99LIG02	5	d18O	(Swart et al., 1999, 1996)	25	-80.6	Lignumvitae Basin, Florida Bay (Florida Bay)
XU15BVI01	6	Sr/Ca	(Xu et al., 2015)	18.72	-64.3167	Anegada, British Virgin Islands (Soldier Point)
XU15BVI02	6	Sr/Ca	(Xu et al., 2015)	18.72	-64.3167	Anegada, British Virgin Islands (Soldier Point)
XU15BVI03	6	Sr/Ca	(Xu et al., 2015)	18.72	-64.3167	Anegada, British Virgin Islands (Soldier Point)

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AS05GUA01	4	d18O	(Asami et al., 2005)	13.598	144.836	Double Reef, Guam
BA04FIJ01	3	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Bagnato et al., 2004)	-16.82	179.23	Savusavu Bay, Vanua Levu, Fiji
BA04FIJ02	2	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Bagnato et al., 2004)	-16.82	179.23	Savusavu Bay, Vanua Levu, Fiji
BO14HTI01	2	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Bolton et al., 2014; Goodkin et al., 2021)	12.21	109.31	Hon Tre Island, Vietnam
BO14HTI02	2	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Bolton et al., 2014; Goodkin et al., 2021)	12.21	109.31	Hon Tre Island, Vietnam

BO99MOO01	4	d18O	(Boiseau et al., 1999, 1998)	-17.5	-149.83	Moorea, French Polynesia
CA07FLI01	3	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Calvo et al., 2007)	-17.73	148.43	Flinders Reef, Australia (Coral Sea)
CA14BUT01	2	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Carilli et al., 2014)	3.2	172.8	Butaritari Atoll, Republic of Kiribati (Gilbert Islands)
CH03BUN01	4	d18O	(Charles et al., 2003)	1.5	124.83	Bunaken Island, Indonesia (North Sulawesi)
CH03LOM01	4	d18O	(Charles et al., 2003)	-8.25	115.5	Padang Bai, Bali, Indonesia (Lombok Strait)
CH18YOA01	6	Sr/Ca	(Chen et al., 2018)	16.448	111.605	Lingyang Reef, Yongle Atoll (South China Sea)
CH18YOA02	6	Sr/Ca	(Chen et al., 2018)	16.448	111.605	Lingyang Reef, Yongle Atoll (South China Sea)
CO03PAL01	4	d18O	(Cobb et al., 2003a, b)	5.87	-162.13	Palmyra Island, United States Minor Outlying Islands (Line Islands)
CO03PAL02	4	d18O	(Cobb et al., 2003a, b)	5.87	-162.13	Palmyra Island, United States Minor Outlying Islands (Line Islands)
CO03PAL03	4	d18O	(Cobb et al., 2003a, b)	5.87	-162.13	Palmyra Island, United States Minor Outlying Islands (Line Islands)
CO03PAL04	4	d18O	(Cobb et al., 2003a, b)	5.87	-162.13	Palmyra Island, United States Minor Outlying Islands (Line Islands)
CO03PAL05	4	d18O	(Cobb et al., 2003a, b)	5.87	-162.13	Palmyra Island, United States Minor Outlying Islands (Line Islands)
CO03PAL06	4	d18O	(Cobb et al., 2003a, b)	5.87	-162.13	Palmyra Island, United States Minor Outlying Islands (Line Islands)
CO03PAL07	4	d18O	(Cobb et al., 2003a, b)	5.87	-162.13	Palmyra Island, United States Minor Outlying Islands (Line Islands)

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CO03PAL08	4	d18O	(Cobb et al., 2003a, b)	5.87	-162.13		Palmyra Island, United States Minor Outlying Islands (Line Islands)
CO03PAL09	4	d18O	(Cobb et al., 2003a, b)	5.87	-162.13		Palmyra Island, United States Minor Outlying Islands (Line Islands)
CO03PAL10	4	d18O	(Cobb et al., 2003a, b)	5.87	-162.13		Palmyra Island, United States Minor Outlying Islands (Line Islands)
CO93TAR01	4	d18O	(Cole et al., 1993)	1.42	173.03		Tarawa Atoll, Republic of Kiribati (Gilbert Islands)
DE12ANC01	6	Sr/Ca	(DeLong et al., 2012, 2007)	-22.48	166.46		Amedee Island, New Caledonia
DE13HAI01	3	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Deng et al., 2013)	19.29	110.656		Longwan, Qionghai, China (Hainan Island)
DO18DAV01	6	Sr/Ca	(D'Olivo et al., 2018)	-18.8	147.63		Davies Reef, Australia (Great Barrier Reef)
DR99ABR01	5	d18O	(Druffel and Griffin, 1999, 1993)	-22.1	153		Abraham Reef, Australia (Great Barrier Reef)
DU94URV01	5	d18O	(Dunbar et al., 1994)	-0.4084	-91.234		Urvina Bay, Isabela Island, Ecuador (Galapagos Islands)
DU94URV02	5	d18O	(Dunbar et al., 1994)	-0.4084	-91.234		Urvina Bay, Isabela Island, Ecuador (Galapagos Islands)
EV98KIR01	4	d18O	(Evans et al., 1998)	2	-157.3		Kiritimati (Christmas) Island, Republic of Kiribati (Line Islands)
FE09OGA01	1	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Felis et al., 2009)	27.1059	142.1941		Ogasawara Islands, Japan (Chichijima)
GO12SBV01	1	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Gorman et al., 2012; Lawman et al., 2020a)	-15.94	166.07		Sabine Bank, Vanuatu
GU99NAU01	5	d18O	(Guilderson and Schrag, 1999)	-0.54	166.97		Nauru Island, Republic of Nauru
GU99NAU02	4	d18O	(Guilderson and Schrag, 1999)	-0.54	166.97		Nauru Island, Republic of Nauru

							Central Great Barrier Reef, Australia (Great Barrier Reef)
HE02GBR01	3	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Hendy et al., 2002)	-17.78	146.13		Misima Island, Papua New Guinea
HE13MIS01	2	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Hereid et al., 2013)	-10.69	152.81		Misima Island, Papua New Guinea
HE13MIS02	2	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Hereid et al., 2013)	-10.69	152.81		Misima Island, Papua New Guinea
JI18GAL01	6	Sr/Ca	(Jimenez et al., 2018)	1.386	-91.832		Shark Bay, Wolf Island, Ecuador (Galapagos Islands)
JI18GAL02	6	Sr/Ca	(Jimenez et al., 2018)	1.386	-91.832		Shark Bay, Wolf Island, Ecuador (Galapagos Islands)
KA17RYU01	7	Sr/Ca	(Kawakubo et al., 2017, 2014)	28.3	130		Kikai Island, Japan (Ryukyu Islands)
KI04MCV01	2	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Kilbourne et al., 2004b, a)	-15.7	167.2		Espiritu Santo Island, Vanuatu (Malo Channel)
KR20SAR01	2	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Krawczyk et al., 2020)	4.2922	113.8259		Sarawak, Malaysia (Miri- Sibuti Coral Reefs National Park)
KR20SAR02	2	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Krawczyk et al., 2020)	4.3433	113.8983		Sarawak, Malaysia (Miri- Sibuti Coral Reefs National Park)
LI00RAR01	1	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Linsley et al., 2000; Ren et al., 2003; Linsley et al., 2004)	-21.24	-159.83		Rarotonga, Cook Islands
LI04FIJ01	1	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Linsley et al., 2004)	-16.82	179.23		Vanua Levu, Fiji (Savusavu Bay)
LI06FIJ01	5	d18O	(Linsley et al., 2006)	-16.82	179.23		Savusavu Bay, Vanua Levu, Fiji
LI06RAR01	4	d18O	(Linsley et al., 2004, 2006)	-21.2378	-159.828		Rarotonga, Cook Islands
LI06RAR02	4	d18O	(Linsley et al., 2004, 2006)	-21.2378	-159.828		Rarotonga, Cook Islands
LI94SEC01	4	d18O	(Linsley et al., 1994)	7.983	-82.05		Secas Island, Panama (Gulf of Chiriqui)
LI99CLI01	4	d18O	(Linsley et al., 1999)	10.3	-109.22		Clipperton Island

MC04PNG01	5	d18O	(McGregor and Gagan, 2004; McGregor et al., 2008)	-3.4118	143.637	Muschu Island, Papua New Guinea
MC11KIR01	4	d18O	(McGregor et al., 2011)	2	-157.3	Kiritimati (Christmas) Island, Republic of Kiribati (Line Islands)
MO20KOI01	2	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Mohtar et al., 2021)	5.3	163	Kosrae Island, Fed. States of Micronesia
MO20WOA01	2	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Mohtar et al., 2021)	7.4	144	Wolei Atoll, Fed. States of Micronesia
MU17DOA01	4	d18O	(Murty et al., 2017)	-5.382	117.914	Doangdoangan Besar, Indonesia (Makassar Strait)
MU18GSI01	1	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Murty et al., 2018b)	-8.38	115.71	Gili Selang, Bali, Indonesia (Lombok Strait)
NU09FAN01	2	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Nurhati et al., 2009)	3.85	-159.35	Tabuaeran (Fanning Island), Republic of Kiribati (Line Islands)
NU09KIR01	2	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Nurhati et al., 2009)	1.8667	-157.4	Kiritimati (Christmas) Island, Republic of Kiribati (Line Islands)
NU11PAL01	1	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Nurhati et al., 2011, 2009; Cobb et al., 2001)	5.867	-162.133	Palmyra Island, United States Minor Outlying Islands (Line Islands)
OS13NGP01	4	d18O	(Osborne et al., 2013)	7.4064	134.4353	Ngaragabel, Palau
OS13NLP01	4	d18O	(Osborne et al., 2013)	7.6569	134.5651	Ngeralang, Palau
OS14RIP01	4	d18O	(Osborne et al., 2014, 2013)	7.2708	134.3837	Rock Islands, Palau
OS14UCP01	4	d18O	(Osborne et al., 2014, 2013)	7.2859	134.2503	Ulong Channel, Palau
QU06RAB01	1	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Quinn et al., 2006)	-4.18	151.98	Rabaul, East New Britain, Papua New Guinea
QU96ESV01	5	d18O	(Quinn et al., 1996, 1993)	-15	167	Espiritu Santo Island, Vanuatu
RA19PAI01	1	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Ramos et al., 2019)	18.54	122.15	Palaui Island, Philippines (Luzon Strait)

RA20TAI01	1	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Ramos et al., 2020)	21.9	120.7	Houbihu, Taiwan (Luzon Strait)
RE19GBR01	2	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Reed et al., 2019)	-12.5	143.52	Eel Reef, Australia (Great Barrier Reef)
RE19GBR02	2	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Reed et al., 2019)	-12.6	143.3	Portland Roads, Australia (Great Barrier Reef)
RE19GBR03	2	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Reed et al., 2019)	-13.33	143.95	Reef 13-050, Australia (Great Barrier Reef)
RE19GBR04	6	Sr/Ca	(Reed et al., 2019)	-12.09	143.29	Nomad Reef, Australia (Great Barrier Reef)
RE19GBR05	6	Sr/Ca	(Reed et al., 2019)	-11.97	143.28	Clerke Reef, Australia (Great Barrier Reef)
SA16CLA01	5	d18O	(Sanchez et al., 2016)	18.4	-114.7	Clarion Island, Mexico (Revillagigedos Archipelago)
SA18GBR01	6	Sr/Ca	(Saha et al., 2018, 2021)	-23.15	150.97	Great Keppel Island, Australia (Great Barrier Reef)
SA19PAL01	2	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Sayani et al., 2019)	5.878	-162.142	Palmyra Island, United States Minor Outlying Islands (Line Islands)
SA19PAL02	2	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Sayani et al., 2019)	5.878	-162.142	Palmyra Island, United States Minor Outlying Islands (Line Islands)
SA20FAN01	4	d18O	(Sanchez et al., 2020)	3.85	-159.35	Tabuaeran (Fanning Island), Republic of Kiribati (Line Islands)
SA20FAN02	4	d18O	(Sanchez et al., 2020)	3.85	-159.35	Tabuaeran (Fanning Island), Republic of Kiribati (Line Islands)
SH92PUN01	5	d18O	(Shen et al., 1992)	-0.67	-89.17	Punta Pitt, Isla San Cristobal, Ecuador (Galapagos Islands)
TA18TAS01	4	d18O	(Tangri et al., 2018)	-14.27	-169.5	Ta'u, American Samoa
TU01DEP01	5	d18O	(Tudhope et al., 2001)	-5.217	145.817	Madang Lagoon, Papua New Guinea (Deplik Tabat Reef)

TU01LAI01	5	d18O	(Tudhope et al., 2001)	-4.15	144.883	Laing Island, Papua New Guinea
TU01SIA01	5	d18O	(Tudhope et al., 2001)	-6.08	147.6	Sialum, Huon Peninsula, Papua New Guinea
TU95MAD01	5	d18O	(Tudhope et al., 1995)	-5.22	145.82	Madang Lagoon, Papua New Guinea
UR00MAI01	4	d18O	(Urban et al., 2000)	1	173	Maiana, Republic of Kiribati (Gilbert Islands)
WE09ARR01	3	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Wei et al., 2009)	-16.72	146.03	Arlington Reef, Australia (Great Barrier Reef)
WU13TON01	3	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Wu et al., 2013; Linsley et al., 2008)	-19.9333	-174.717	Ha'afera, Tonga
WU14CLI01	1	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Wu et al., 2014; Linsley et al., 1999)	10.3	-109.22	Clipperton Island
XI17HAI01	3	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Xiao et al., 2017)	19.395	110.753	Fengjiawan, Wenchang, China (Hainan Island)

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AB08MEN01	4	d18O	(Abram et al., 2008)	-0.13	98.52	Mentawai Islands, Indonesia (West Sumatra)
AB15BHB01	4	d18O	(Abram et al., 2015)	-6.53	105.63	Batu Hitam Beach, Indonesia (Sunda Strait)
AB20MEN01	4	d18O	(Abram et al., 2020, 2015)	-3.18	100.517	Mentawai Islands, Indonesia (Tinopo)
AB20MEN02	4	d18O	(Abram et al., 2020; Gagan et al., 2015)	-2.37	99.745	Mentawai Islands, Indonesia (Siruamata)
AB20MEN03	4	d18O	(Abram et al., 2020)	-3.126	100.309	Mentawai Islands, Indonesia (Saomang)
AB20MEN04	4	d18O	(Abram et al., 2020)	-2.752	99.995	Mentawai Islands, Indonesia (Silabu)
AB20MEN05	4	d18O	(Abram et al., 2020)	-3.037	100.231	Mentawai Islands, Indonesia (Pororogat)
AB20MEN06	4	d18O	(Abram et al., 2020)	-3.0366	100.2307	Mentawai Islands, Indonesia (Pororogat)
AB20MEN07	4	d18O	(Abram et al., 2020)	-3.1261	100.3097	Mentawai Islands, Indonesia (Saomang)

AB20MEN08	4	d18O	(Abram et al., 2020)	-3.1261	100.3098	Mentawai Islands, Indonesia (Saomang)
AB20MEN09	4	d18O	(Abram et al., 2020)	-3.1259	100.3094	Mentawai Islands, Indonesia (Saomang)
CA14TIM01	1	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Cahyarini et al., 2014)	-10.2	123.51	Timor, Indonesia (Ombai Strait)
CH97BVB01	4	d18O	(Charles et al., 1997)	-4.6162	55.817	Mahe Island, Republic of the Seychelles (Beau Vallon Bay)
CH98PIR01	5	d18O	(Chakraborty and Ramesh, 1998)	22.6	70	Pirotan Island, Gujarat, India (Gulf of Kutch, Northern Arabian Sea)
CO00MAL01	5	d18O	(Cole et al., 2000; Fleitmann et al., 2007)	-3.26	40.14	Malindi Marine Park, Kenya
DA06MAF01	4	d18O	(Damassa et al., 2006)	-8.0167	39.5	Fungu Mrima Reef, Tanzania (Mafia Archipelago, Bwejuu Island) Fungu Mrima Reef,
DA06MAF02	4	d18O	(Damassa et al., 2006)	-8.0167	39.5	Tanzania (Mafia Archipelago, Bwejuu Island)
GR13MAD01	6	Sr/Ca	(Grove et al., 2013)	-17.095	49.858	Nosy Boraha, Madagascar (formerly Ile Sainte-Marie)
GR13MAD02	6	Sr/Ca	(Grove et al., 2013)	-17.089	49.861	Nosy Boraha, Madagascar (formerly Ile Sainte-Marie)
HE18COC01	1	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Hennekam et al., 2018)	-12.0875	96.8752	Cocos (Keeling) Islands, Australia
HE18COC02	2	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Hennekam et al., 2018)	-12.095	96.8805	Cocos (Keeling) Islands, Australia
KU00NIN01	4	d18O	(Kuhnert et al., 2000)	-21.905	113.965	Ningaloo Reef, Australia (Western Australia)
KU99HOU01	4	d18O	(Kuhnert et al., 1999; Zinke et al., 2014a)	-28.4617	113.7683	Houtman Abrolhos Islands, Australia
MU18NPI01	1	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Murty et al., 2018b)	-8.67	115.51	Nusa Penida, Indonesia (Lombok Strait)

NA09MAL01	4	d18O	(Nakamura et al., 2009)	-3.2	40.1	Malindi Marine Park, Kenya
PF04PBA01	4	d18O	(Pfeiffer et al., 2004b)	-5.43	71.77	Peros Banhos Atoll, Chagos Archipelago
PF19LAR01	1	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Pfeiffer et al., 2019, 2004a)	-21	55	St. Gilles Reef, La Reunion
RI10PBL01	4	d18O	(Rixen et al., 2011)	11.5	92.69	Port Blair, Andaman Islands, India
ST13MAL01	1	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Storz et al., 2013)	4.29	72.98	Rasdhou Atoll, Maldives
WA17BAN01	2	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Watanabe et al., 2017)	23.5	58.75	Bandar Khayran, Oman
ZI04IFR01	2	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Zinke et al., 2004)	-23.15	43.58	Ifaty Reef, Madagascar (Mozambique Channel)
ZI08MAY01	1	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Zinke et al., 2008)	-12.65	45.1	Mayotte (Comoro Archipelago)
ZI14HOU01	3	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Zinke et al., 2014a)	-28.46	113.75	Houtman Abrolhos Islands, Australia
ZI14IFR02	5	d18O	(Zinke et al., 2014b, 2004)	-23.1573	43.5882	Ifaty Reef, Madagascar
ZI14TUR01	5	d18O	(Zinke et al., 2014b, 2004)	-23.3572	43.6195	Tulear Reef, Madagascar
ZI15BUN01	7	Sr/Ca	(Zinke et al., 2015)	-21.836	114.178	Ningaloo Reef, Australia (Bundegi Reef)
ZI15CLE01	7	Sr/Ca	(Zinke et al., 2015)	-17.26	119.26	Rowley Shoals, Australia (Clerke Reef)
ZI15IMP01	7	Sr/Ca	(Zinke et al., 2015)	-17.5369	118.974	Rowley Shoals, Australia (Imperieuse Reef)
ZI15IMP02	7	Sr/Ca	(Zinke et al., 2015)	-17.5196	118.969	Rowley Shoals, Australia (Imperieuse Reef)
ZI15MER01	7	Sr/Ca	(Zinke et al., 2015)	-17.1	119.6	Rowley Shoals, Australia (Mermaid Reef)
ZI15TAN01	7	Sr/Ca	(Zinke et al., 2015)	-21.893	113.963	Ningaloo Reef, Australia (Tantabiddi Reef)
ZI16ROD01	6	Sr/Ca	(Zinke et al., 2016)	-19.671	63.429	Rodrigues, Republic of Mauritius (Totor Reef)

ZI16ROD02	6	Sr/Ca	(Zinke et al., 2016)	-19.667	63.434	Rodrigues, Republic of Mauritius (Cabri Reef)
Red Sea						
BR19RED01	6	Sr/Ca	(Bryan et al., 2019)	19.89	39.96	Canyon, Red Sea
DE16RED01	6	Sr/Ca	(DeCarlo et al., 2016; Alpert et al., 2017)	22.0314	38.8778	Red Sea
FE18RUS01	1	d18O, Sr/Ca	(Felis et al., 2018, 2000)	27.8483	34.31	Ras Umm Sidd, Egypt (Sinai Peninsula)
KL97DAH01	5	d18O	(Klein et al., 1997; Ionita et al., 2014)	15.7167	39.9	Dur-Ghella Island, Eritrea (Dahlak Archipelago)
MU18RED01	6	Sr/Ca	(Murty et al., 2018a)	27.98	34.81	Semicolon, Red Sea
MU18RED02	6	Sr/Ca	(Murty et al., 2018a)	25.58	36.55	Popponesset, Red Sea
MU18RED03	6	Sr/Ca	(Murty et al., 2018a)	23.7	37.97	Abu Galawa, Red Sea
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